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Posted by [Pavel Emelianov](#) on Wed, 03 Oct 2007 10:53:27 GMT

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Subject: [PATCH 1/3] Typedefs the read and write functions in cftype

Posted by [Pavel Emelianov](#) on Wed, 03 Oct 2007 10:55:09 GMT

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This is just to reduce the code amount in the future.

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```
diff --git a/include/linux/cgroup.h b/include/linux/cgroup.h
index 8747932..0635004 100644
--- a/include/linux/cgroup.h
+++ b/include/linux/cgroup.h
@@ -178,6 +178,15 @@ struct css_set {
 * - the 'cftype' of the file is file->f_dentry->d_fsd
 */
+struct cftype;
+
+typedef ssize_t (*cft_read) (struct cgroup *cont, struct cftype *cft,
+    struct file *,
+    char __user *buf, size_t nbytes, loff_t *ppos);
+typedef ssize_t (*cft_write) (struct cgroup *cont, struct cftype *cft,
```

```

+ struct file *file,
+ const char __user *buf, size_t nbytes, loff_t *ppos);
+
#define MAX_CFTYPE_NAME 64
struct cftype {
    /* By convention, the name should begin with the name of the
@@ -185,18 +194,14 @@ struct cftype {
    char name[MAX_CFTYPE_NAME];
    int private;
    int (*open) (struct inode *inode, struct file *file);
- ssize_t (*read) (struct cgroup *cont, struct cftype *cft,
- struct file *file,
- char __user *buf, size_t nbytes, loff_t *ppos);
+ cft_read read;
/*
 * read_uint() is a shortcut for the common case of returning a
 * single integer. Use it in place of read()
 */
u64 (*read_uint) (struct cgroup *cont, struct cftype *cft);
- ssize_t (*write) (struct cgroup *cont, struct cftype *cft,
- struct file *file,
- const char __user *buf, size_t nbytes, loff_t *ppos);

+ cft_write write;
/*
 * write_uint() is a shortcut for the common case of accepting
 * a single integer (as parsed by simple_strtoull) from

```

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**Subject:** [PATCH 2/3] Introduce the res\_counter\_populate() function

**Posted by Pavel Emelianov on Wed, 03 Oct 2007 10:57:54 GMT**

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This one is responsible for initializing the RES\_CFT\_MAX files properly and register them inside the container.

The caller must provide the cgroup, the cgroup\_subsys, the RES\_CFT\_MAX \* sizeof(cftype) chunk of uninitialized memory and the read and write callbacks.

In the future, if we add more res\_counter files, change their names or anything else, no caller will be affected.

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```
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index 61363ce..8ee8316 100644
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+++ b/include/linux/res_counter.h
@@ -58,6 +58,9 @@ ssize_t res_counter_write(struct res_cou
 const char __user *buf, size_t nbytes, loff_t *pos,
 int (*write_strategy)(char *buf, unsigned long long *val));

+int res_counter_populate(struct cgroup_subsys *ss, struct cgroup *cont,
+ struct cftype files[], cft_read read_fn, cft_write write_fn);
+
/*
 * the field descriptors. one for each member of res_counter
 */
@@ -66,6 +69,8 @@ enum {
    RES_USAGE,
    RES_LIMIT,
    RES_FAILCNT,
+
+   RES_CFT_MAX,
};

/*
diff --git a/kernel/res_counter.c b/kernel/res_counter.c
index d7f43cd..018eb2b 100644
--- a/kernel/res_counter.c
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@@ -10,9 +10,34 @@
 #include <linux/types.h>
 #include <linux/parser.h>
 #include <linux/fs.h>
+#include <linux/cgroup.h>
 #include <linux/res_counter.h>
 #include <linux/uaccess.h>

+int res_counter_populate(struct cgroup_subsys *ss, struct cgroup *cont,
+ struct cftype files[], cft_read read_fn, cft_write write_fn)
+{
+ /*
+ * to be on the safe side
+ */
+ memset(files, 0, RES_CFT_MAX * sizeof(struct cftype));
+
+ strcpy(files[RES_USAGE].name, "usage_in_bytes");
```

```

+ files[RES_USAGE].private = RES_USAGE;
+ files[RES_USAGE].read = read_fn;
+
+ strcpy(files[RES_LIMIT].name, "limit_in_bytes");
+ files[RES_LIMIT].private = RES_LIMIT;
+ files[RES_LIMIT].read = read_fn;
+ files[RES_LIMIT].write = write_fn;
+
+ strcpy(files[RES_FAILCNT].name, "failcnt");
+ files[RES_FAILCNT].private = RES_FAILCNT;
+ files[RES_FAILCNT].read = read_fn;
+
+ return cgroup_add_files(cont, ss, files, RES_CFT_MAX);
+}
+
void res_counter_init(struct res_counter *counter)
{
    spin_lock_init(&counter->lock);

```

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Subject: [PATCH 3/3] Use the res\_counter\_populate in memory controller

Posted by [Pavel Emelianov](#) on Wed, 03 Oct 2007 10:59:40 GMT

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Note, that the controller code dealing with the cftype files  
for resource counters becomes much shorter and won't have to  
be changed in the future.

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```

diff --git a/mm/memcontrol.c b/mm/memcontrol.c
index 1b8bf24..d1b43bc 100644
--- a/mm/memcontrol.c
+++ b/mm/memcontrol.c
@@ -519,28 +519,14 @@ static ssize_t mem_control_type_read(str

static struct cftype mem_cgroup_files[] = {
{
- .name = "usage_in_bytes",
- .private = RES_USAGE,
- .read = mem_cgroup_read,

```

```

- },
- {
- .name = "limit_in_bytes",
- .private = RES_LIMIT,
- .write = mem_cgroup_write,
- .read = mem_cgroup_read,
- },
- {
- .name = "failcnt",
- .private = RES_FAILCNT,
- .read = mem_cgroup_read,
- },
- {
.name = "control_type",
.write = mem_control_type_write,
.read = mem_control_type_read,
},
};

+static struct cftype mem_res_counter_files[RES_CFT_MAX];
+
static struct mem_cgroup init_mem_cgroup;

static struct cgroup_subsys_state *
@@ -574,6 +560,13 @@ static void mem_cgroup_destroy(struct cg
static int mem_cgroup_populate(struct cgroup_subsys *ss,
    struct cgroup *cont)
{
+ int ret;
+
+ ret = res_counter_populate(ss, cont, mem_res_counter_files,
+   mem_cgroup_read, mem_cgroup_write);
+ if (ret)
+ return ret;
+
 return cgroup_add_files(cont, ss, mem_cgroup_files,
    ARRAY_SIZE(mem_cgroup_files));
}

```

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Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/3] Introduce the res\_counter\_populate() function  
 Posted by [Paul Menage](#) on Wed, 03 Oct 2007 16:02:42 GMT  
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On 10/3/07, Pavel Emelyanov <xemul@openvz.org> wrote:

```
> +
> +     strcpy(files[RES_USAGE].name, "usage_in_bytes");
```

This prevents the resource counters from being used for anything that doesn't measure its limit/usage in bytes. E.g. number of tasks.

I like the idea of having a unified interface, but can't they just be called "usage" and "limit"?

Paul

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Subject: Re: [PATCH 0/3] Consolidate cgroup files creation for resource counters  
Posted by [Balbir Singh](#) on Wed, 03 Oct 2007 17:59:02 GMT

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Pavel Emelyanov wrote:

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> Signed-off-by: Pavel Emelyanov <xemul@openvz.org>
```

For memory your changes make sense, but the file names cannot be limit\_in\_bytes and usage\_in\_bytes for other controllers (if and when they use res\_counters)

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Warm Regards,  
Balbir Singh  
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IBM, ISTL

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Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/3] Introduce the res\_counter\_populate() function  
Posted by [Balbir Singh](#) on Wed, 03 Oct 2007 18:02:29 GMT

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This is good

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```
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> + */
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> +
> + strcpy(files[RES_USAGE].name, "usage_in_bytes");
```

This needs to be controller pluggable

```
> + files[RES_USAGE].private = RES_USAGE;
> + files[RES_USAGE].read = read_fn;
> +
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> +
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> + files[RES_FAILCNT].read = read_fn;
> +
> + return cgroup_add_files(cont, ss, files, RES_CFT_MAX);
> +}
> +
```

I've been thinking of writing a tool, that will generate all the code necessary to write a controller under cgroups.  
Another TODO (low priority).

```
> void res_counter_init(struct res_counter *counter)
> {
>   spin_lock_init(&counter->lock);
>
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> called "usage" and "limit"?

I see. OK, I will rework the patches to make them more generic.  
Moreover, I've just faced one more race in this set :(

> Paul  
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Thanks,  
Pavel

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