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Subject: Re: Summary of resource management discussion  
Posted by [Paul Menage](#) on Thu, 15 Mar 2007 11:24:37 GMT  
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On 3/12/07, Srivatsa Vaddagiri <vatsa@in.ibm.com> wrote:

- > - (subjective!) If there is a existing grouping mechanism already (say
- > tsk->nsproxy[->pid\_ns]) over which res control needs to be applied,
- > then the new grouping mechanism can be considered redundant (it can
- > eat up unnecessary space in task\_struct)

If there really was a grouping that was always guaranteed to match the way you wanted to group tasks for e.g. resource control, then yes, it would be great to use it. But I don't see an obvious candidate. The pid namespace is not it, IMO. Resource control (and other kinds of task grouping behaviour) shouldn't require virtualization.

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- > a. Paul Menage's patches:
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- > (tsk->containers->container[cpu\_ctlr.subsys\_id] - X)->cpu\_limit

Additionally, if we allow mature container subsystems to have an id declared in a global enum, then we can make the cpu\_ctlr.subsys\_id into a constant.

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- > b. rcfs
- > tsk->nsproxy->ctlr\_data[cpu\_ctlr.subsys\_id]->cpu\_limit

So what's the '-X' that you're referring to

- > 3. How are cpusets related to vserver/containers?
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- > Should it be possible to, lets say, create exclusive cpusets and
- > attach containers to different cpusets?

Sounds reasonable.

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- > 6. As tasks move around namespaces/resource-classes, their
- > tsk->nsproxy/containers object will change. Do we simple create
- > a new nsproxy/containers object or optimize storage by searching
- > for one which matches the task's new requirements?

I think the latter.

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- > - If we don't support hierarchy in res controllers today

> but were to add that support later, then  
> user-interface shouldn't change. That's why  
> designining -atleast- the user interface to support  
> hierarchy may make sense

Right - having support for a hierarchy in the API doesn't mean that individual controllers have to support being in a hierarchy.

Paul

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