
Subject: Re: How to query mount propagation state?
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On Mon, 2007-04-16 at 23:07 +0200, Karel Zak wrote:
> On Mon, Apr 16, 2007 at 10:39:46AM -0700, Ram Pai wrote:
>
> > This patch disambiguates multiple mount-instances of the same
> > filesystem (or part of the same filesystem), by introducing a new
> > interface /proc/mounts_new. The interface has the following format.
> ^^^^^^^^^^^
> ... odd name. What will be the name for a next generation?
> "/proc/mounts_new_new"? :-)
>

that was the name I came up with 6 months back :-). Yes It should be something more appropriate. Maybe /proc/mounts_1 ? The next generation one would be /proc/mounts_2 ? Suggestion?

> > 'cat /proc/mounts' shows the following:
> > /dev/root /mnt ext2 rw 0 0
> > /dev/root /tmp1 ext2 rw 0 0
> >
> > NOTE: The above mount entries, do not indicate that /tmp1 contains the same
> > directory tree as /var/tmp.
> >
> > But 'cat /proc/mounts_new' shows us the following:
> > 0x6200 /mnt /var ext2 rw 0 0
> > 0x6200 /tmp1 /var/tmp ext2 rw 0 0
>
> Can't you purely and simply add the fsid= option to /proc/mounts?
>
> /dev/root /mnt ext2 rw,fsid=0x6200 0 0
> /dev/root /mnt ext2 rw,fsid=0x6200 0 0
>
> I think you can do it without a negative impact to userspace.

ok.

>
> > This patch introduces a new proc interface that exposes all the propagation
> > trees within the namespace.
>
> Good idea.
>
> > It walks through each off the mounts in the namespace, and prints the following information.
> >

> > mount-id: a unique mount identifier
> > dev-id : the unique device used to identify the device containing the filesystem
> ^^^
> Why not major:minor?

Thinking about it, I feel we dont need this field at all. Basically we need a field that can be keyed-upon to find the corresponding record in /proc/mounts_1. mount-id can be used as the matching field, provided we add the mount-id field to /proc/mounts_1.
agree?

RP

> > path-from-root: mount point of the mount from /
> > path-from-root-of-its-sb: path from its own root dentry.
> > propagation-flag: SHARED, SLAVE, UNBINDABLE, PRIVATE
> > peer-mount-id: the mount-id of its peer mount (if this mount is shared)
> > master-mount-id: the mount-id of its master mount (if this mount is slave)
>
> > Example:
> > Here is a sample output of cat /proc/\$\$/mounts_propagation
> >
> > 0xa917800 0x1 // PRIVATE
> > 0xa917200 0x6200 // PRIVATE
> > 0xa917180 0x3 /proc / PRIVATE
> > 0xa917f80 0xa /dev/pts / PRIVATE
> > 0xa917100 0x6210 /mnt / SHARED peer:0xa917100
> > 0xa917f00 0x6210 /tmp /1 SLAVE master:0xa917100
> > 0xa917900 0x6220 /mnt/2 / SHARED peer:0xa917900
>
> Same thing (although the mounts_propagation makes more sense than
> mount_new from my point of view).
>
> cat /proc/mounts (or /proc/\$\$/mounts)
>
> /dev/root /mnt ext2 rw,mid=0xa917100,did=0x6210,prop=SHARED,peer=0xa917100
>
>
> my \$0.02...
>
> Karel
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