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Subject: Re: strict isolation of net interfaces

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Serge E. Hallyn wrote:

> Quoting Cedric Le Goater (clg@fr.ibm.com):

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>>we could work on virtualizing the net interfaces in the host, map them to

>>eth0 or something in the guest and let the guest handle upper network layers ?

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>>lo0 would just be exposed relying on skbuff tagging to discriminate traffic

>>between guests.

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> This seems to me the preferable way. We create a full virtual net

> device for each new container, and fully virtualize the device

> namespace.

I have a few questions about all the network isolation stuff:

\* What level of isolation is wanted for the network ? network devices  
? IPv4/IPv6 ? TCP/UDP ?

\* How is handled the incoming packets from the network ? I mean what  
will be mechanism to dispatch the packet to the right virtual device ?

\* How to handle the SO\_BINDTODEVICE socket option ?

\* Has the virtual device a different MAC address ? How to manage it  
with the real MAC address on the system ? How to manage ARP, ICMP,  
multicasting and IP ?

It seems for me, IMHO that will require a lot of translation and  
browsing table. It will probably add a very significant overhead.

\* How to handle NFS access mounted outside of the container ?

\* How to handle ICMP\_REDIRECT ?

Regards

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