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Chapter 1. Introduction

SystemTap provides free software (GPL) infrastructure to simplify the gathering of information about the running Linux system. This assists diagnosis of a performance or functional problem. SystemTap eliminates the need for the developer to go through the tedious and disruptive instrument, recompile, install, and reboot sequence that may be otherwise required to collect data.

SystemTap provides a simple command line interface and scripting language for writing instrumentation for a live running kernel. The instrumentation makes extensive use of the probe points and functions provided in the *tapset* library. This document describes the various probe points and functions.

Chapter 2. Context Functions

The context functions provide additional information about where an event occurred. These functions can provide information such as a backtrace to where the event occurred and the current register values for the processor.

function::addr

function::addr — Address of the current probe point.

Synopsis

addr:long()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns the instruction pointer from the current probe's register state. Not all probe types have registers though, in which case zero is returned. The returned address is suitable for use with functions like symname and symdata.

function::asmlinkage

function::asmlinkage — Mark function as declared asmlinkage

Synopsis

asmlinkage()

Arguments

None

Description

Call this function before accessing arguments using the *_arg functions if the probed kernel function was declared asmlinkage in the source.

function::backtrace

function::backtrace — Hex backtrace of current kernel stack

Synopsis

backtrace:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns a string of hex addresses that are a backtrace of the kernel stack. Output may be truncated as per maximum string length (MAXSTRINGLEN). See ubacktrace for user-space backtrace.

function::caller

function::caller — Return name and address of calling function

Synopsis

caller:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the address and name of the calling function. This is equivalent to calling: oxx", o

function::caller_addr

function::caller_addr — Return caller address

Synopsis

caller_addr:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the address of the calling function.

function::callers

function::callers — Return first n elements of kernel stack backtrace

Synopsis

callers:string(n:long)

Arguments

n number of levels to descend in the stack (not counting the top level). If n is -1, print the entire stack.

Description

This function returns a string of the first n hex addresses from the backtrace of the kernel stack. Output may be truncated as per maximum string length (MAXSTRINGLEN).

function::cmdline_arg

function::cmdline_arg — Fetch a command line argument

Synopsis

cmdline_arg:string(n:long)

Arguments

n Argument to get (zero is the program itself)

Description

Returns argument the requested argument from the current process or the empty string when there are not that many arguments or there is a problem retrieving the argument. Argument zero is traditionally the command itself.

function::cmdline_args

function::cmdline_args — Fetch command line arguments from current process

Synopsis

cmdline_args:string(n:long,m:long,delim:string)

Arguments

n First argument to get (zero is normally the program itself)

m Last argument to get (or minus one for all arguments after n)

delim String to use to separate arguments when more than one.

Description

Returns arguments from the current process starting with argument number n, up to argument m. If there are less than n arguments, or the arguments cannot be retrieved from the current process, the empty string is returned. If m is smaller than n then all arguments starting from argument n are returned. Argument zero is traditionally the command itself.

function::cmdline_str

function::cmdline_str — Fetch all command line arguments from current process

Synopsis

cmdline_str:string()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns all arguments from the current process delimited by spaces. Returns the empty string when the arguments cannot be retrieved.

function::cpu

function::cpu — Returns the current cpu number

Synopsis

cpu:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the current cpu number.

function::cpuid

function::cpuid — Returns the current cpu number

Synopsis

cpuid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the current cpu number. Deprecated in SystemTap 1.4 and removed in SystemTap 1.5

function::current_exe_file

function::current_exe_file — get the file struct pointer for the current task's executable file

Synopsis

current_exe_file:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the file struct pointer for the current task's executable file. Note that the file struct pointer isn't locked on return. The return value of this function can be passed to fullpath_struct_file to get the path from the file struct.

function::egid

function::egid — Returns the effective gid of a target process

Synopsis

egid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the effective gid of a target process

function::env_var

function::env_var — Fetch environment variable from current process

Synopsis

env_var:string(name:string)

Arguments

name Name of the environment variable to fetch

Description

Returns the contents of the specified environment value for the current process. If the variable isn't set an empty string is returned.

function::euid

function::euid — Return the effective uid of a target process

Synopsis

euid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns the effective user ID of the target process.

function::execname

function::execname — Returns the execname of a target process (or group of processes)

Synopsis

execname:string()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns the execname of a target process (or group of processes).

function::fastcall

function::fastcall — Mark function as declared fastcall

Synopsis

fastcall()

Arguments

None

Description

Call this function before accessing arguments using the *_arg functions if the probed kernel function was declared fastcall in the source.

function::gid

function::gid — Returns the group ID of a target process

Synopsis

gid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the group ID of a target process.

function::int_arg

function::int_arg — Return function argument as signed int

Synopsis

int_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the value of argument n as a signed int (i.e., a 32-bit integer sign-extended to 64 bits).

function::is_myproc

function::is_myproc — Determines if the current probe point has occurred in the user's own process

Synopsis

is_myproc:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns 1 if the current probe point has occurred in the user's own process.

function::is_return

function::is_return — Whether the current probe context is a return probe

Synopsis

is_return:long()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns 1 if the current probe context is a return probe, returns 0 otherwise.

function::long_arg

function::long_arg — Return function argument as signed long

Synopsis

long_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the value of argument n as a signed long. On architectures where a long is 32 bits, the value is sign-extended to 64 bits.

function::longlong_arg

function::longlong_arg — Return function argument as 64-bit value

Synopsis

longlong_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the value of argument n as a 64-bit value.

function::modname

function::modname — Return the kernel module name loaded at the address

Synopsis

modname:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to map to a kernel module name

Description

Returns the module name associated with the given address if known. If not known it will raise an error. If the address was not in a kernel module, but in the kernel itself, then the string "kernel" will be returned.

function::module_name

function::module_name — The module name of the current script

Synopsis

module_name:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the name of the stap module. Either generated randomly $(stap_[0-9a-f]+[0-9a-f]+)$ or set by stap -m <module_name>.

function::module_size

function::module_size — The module size of the current script

Synopsis

module_size:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the sizes of various sections of the stap module.

function::ns_egid

function::ns_egid — Returns the effective gid of a target process as seen in a user namespace

Synopsis

ns_egid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the effective gid of a target process as seen in the target user namespace if provided, or the stap process namespace

function::ns_euid

function::ns_euid — Returns the effective user ID of a target process as seen in a user namespace

Synopsis

ns_euid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the effective user ID of the target process as seen in the target user namespace if provided, or the stap process namespace.

function::ns_gid

function::ns_gid — Returns the group ID of a target process as seen in a user namespace

Synopsis

ns_gid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the group ID of a target process as seen in the target user namespace if provided, or the stap process namespace.

function::ns_pgrp

function::ns_pgrp — Returns the process group ID of the current process as seen in a pid namespace

Synopsis

ns_pgrp:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the process group ID of the current process as seen in the target pid namespace if provided, or the stap process namespace.

function::ns_pid

function::ns_pid — Returns the ID of a target process as seen in a pid namespace

Synopsis

ns_pid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the ID of a target process as seen in the target pid namespace.

function::ns_ppid

function::ns_ppid — Returns the process ID of a target process's parent process as seen in a pid namespace

Synopsis

ns_ppid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function return the process ID of the target process's parent process as seen in the target pid namespace if provided, or the stap process namespace.

function::ns_sid

function::ns_sid — Returns the session ID of the current process as seen in a pid namespace

Synopsis

ns_sid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

The namespace-aware session ID of a process is the process group ID of the session leader as seen in the target pid namespace if provided, or the stap process namespace. Session ID is stored in the signal_struct since Kernel 2.6.0.

function::ns_tid

function::ns_tid — Returns the thread ID of a target process as seen in a pid namespace

Synopsis

ns_tid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the thread ID of a target process as seen in the target pid namespace if provided, or the stap process namespace.

function::ns_uid

function::ns_uid — Returns the user ID of a target process as seen in a user namespace

Synopsis

ns_uid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the user ID of the target process as seen in the target user namespace if provided, or the stap process namespace.

function::pexecname

function::pexecname — Returns the execname of a target process's parent process

Synopsis

pexecname:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the execname of a target process's parent process.

function::pgrp

function::pgrp — Returns the process group ID of the current process

Synopsis

pgrp:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the process group ID of the current process.

function::pid

function::pid — Returns the ID of a target process

Synopsis

pid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the ID of a target process.

function::pid2execname

function::pid2execname — The name of the given process identifier

Synopsis

pid2execname:string(pid:long)

Arguments

pid process identifier

Description

Return the name of the given process id.

function::pid2task

function::pid2task — The task_struct of the given process identifier

Synopsis

pid2task:long(pid:long)

Arguments

pid process identifier

Description

Return the task struct of the given process id.

function::pn

function::pn — Returns the active probe name

Synopsis

pn:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the script-level probe point associated with a currently running probe handler, including wild-card expansion effects. Context: The current probe point.

function::pnlabel

function::pnlabel — Returns the label name parsed from the probe name

Synopsis

pnlabel:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This returns the label name as parsed from the script-level probe point. This function will only work if called directly from the body of a '.label' probe point (i.e. no aliases).

Context

The current probe point.

function::pointer_arg

function::pointer_arg — Return function argument as pointer value

Synopsis

pointer_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the unsigned value of argument n, same as ulong_arg. Can be used with any type of pointer.

function::pp

function::pp — Returns the active probe point

Synopsis

pp:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the fully-resolved probe point associated with a currently running probe handler, including alias and wild-card expansion effects. Context: The current probe point.

function::ppfunc

function::ppfunc — Returns the function name parsed from pp

Synopsis

ppfunc:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This returns the function name from the current pp. Not all pp have functions in them, in which case "" is returned.

function::ppid

function::ppid — Returns the process ID of a target process's parent process

Synopsis

ppid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function return the process ID of the target process's parent process.

function::print_backtrace

function::print_backtrace — Print kernel stack back trace

Synopsis

print_backtrace()

Arguments

None

Description

This function is equivalent to print_stack(backtrace), except that deeper stack nesting may be supported. See print_ubacktrace for user-space backtrace. The function does not return a value.

function::print_backtrace_fileline

function::print_backtrace_fileline — Print kernel stack back trace

Synopsis

print_backtrace_fileline()

Arguments

None

Description

This function is equivalent to print_backtrace, but output for each symbol is longer including file names and line numbers. The function does not return a value.

function::print_regs

function::print_regs — Print a register dump

Synopsis

print_regs()

Arguments

None

Description

This function prints a register dump. Does nothing if no registers are available for the probe point.

function::print_stack

function::print_stack — Print out kernel stack from string

Synopsis

print_stack(stk:string)

Arguments

stk String with list of hexadecimal addresses

Description

This function performs a symbolic lookup of the addresses in the given string, which is assumed to be the result of a prior call to backtrace.

Print one line per address, including the address, the name of the function containing the address, and an estimate of its position within that function. Return nothing.

NOTE

it is recommended to use print_syms instead of this function.

function::print_syms

function::print_syms — Print out kernel stack from string

Synopsis

print_syms(callers:string)

Arguments

callers

String with list of hexadecimal (kernel) addresses

Description

This function performs a symbolic lookup of the addresses in the given string, which are assumed to be the result of prior calls to stack, callers, and similar functions.

Prints one line per address, including the address, the name of the function containing the address, and an estimate of its position within that function, as obtained by symdata. Returns nothing.

function::print_ubacktrace

function::print_ubacktrace — Print stack back trace for current user-space task.

Synopsis

- 1) print_ubacktrace()
 2) print_ubacktrace(pc:long,sp:long,fp:long)
- **Arguments**

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pc -- undescribed --sp -- undescribed --fp -- undescribed --
```

Description

1)

2) Equivalent to print_ustack(ubacktrace), except that deeper stack nesting may be supported. Returns nothing. See print_backtrace for kernel backtrace.

Note

To get (full) backtraces for user space applications and shared shared libraries not mentioned in the current script run stap with -d /path/to/exe-or-so and/or add --ldd to load all needed unwind data.

function::print_ubacktrace_brief

function::print_ubacktrace_brief — Print stack back trace for current user-space task.

Synopsis

print_ubacktrace_brief()

Arguments

None

Description

Equivalent to print_ubacktrace, but output for each symbol is shorter (just name and offset, or just the hex address of no symbol could be found).

Note

To get (full) backtraces for user space applications and shared shared libraries not mentioned in the current script run stap with -d /path/to/exe-or-so and/or add --ldd to load all needed unwind data.

function::print_ubacktrace_fileline

function::print_ubacktrace_fileline — Print stack back trace for current user-space task.

Synopsis

1) print_ubacktrace_fileline()
2) print_ubacktrace_fileline(pc:long,sp:long,fp:long)

Arguments

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pc -- undescribed --sp -- undescribed --fp -- undescribed --
```

Description

1)

2) Equivalent toprint_ubacktrace, but output for each symbol is longer including file names and line numbers.

Note

To get (full) backtraces for user space applications and shared shared libraries not mentioned in the current script run stap with -d /path/to/exe-or-so and/or add --ldd to load all needed unwind data.

function::print_ustack

function::print_ustack — Print out stack for the current task from string.

Synopsis

print_ustack(stk:string)

Arguments

stk String with list of hexadecimal addresses for the current task.

Description

Perform a symbolic lookup of the addresses in the given string, which is assumed to be the result of a prior call to ubacktrace for the current task.

Print one line per address, including the address, the name of the function containing the address, and an estimate of its position within that function. Return nothing.

NOTE

it is recommended to use print_usyms instead of this function.

function::print_usyms

function::print_usyms — Print out user stack from string

Synopsis

print_usyms(callers:string)

Arguments

callers

String with list of hexadecimal (user) addresses

Description

This function performs a symbolic lookup of the addresses in the given string, which are assumed to be the result of prior calls to ustack, ucallers, and similar functions.

Prints one line per address, including the address, the name of the function containing the address, and an estimate of its position within that function, as obtained by usymdata. Returns nothing.

function::probe_type

function::probe_type — The low level probe handler type of the current probe.

Synopsis

probe_type:string()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns a short string describing the low level probe handler type for the current probe point. This is for informational purposes only. Depending on the low level probe handler different context functions can or cannot provide information about the current event (for example some probe handlers only trigger in user space and have no associated kernel context). High-level probes might map to the same or different low-level probes (depending on systemtap version and/or kernel used).

function::probefunc

function::probefunc — Return the probe point's function name, if known

Synopsis

probefunc:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the name of the function being probed based on the current address, as computed by symname(addr) or usymname(uaddr) depending on probe context (whether the probe is a user probe or a kernel probe).

Please note

this function's behaviour differs between SystemTap 2.0 and earlier versions. Prior to 2.0, probefunc obtained the function name from the probe point string as returned by pp, and used the current address as a fallback.

Consider using ppfunc instead.

function::probemod

function::probemod — Return the probe point's kernel module name

Synopsis

probemod:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the name of the kernel module containing the probe point, if known.

function::pstrace

function::pstrace — Chain of processes and pids back to init(1)

Synopsis

pstrace:string(task:long)

Arguments

task Pointer to task struct of process

Description

This function returns a string listing execname and pid for each process starting from task back to the process ancestor that init(1) spawned.

function::register

function::register — Return the signed value of the named CPU register

Synopsis

register:long(name:string)

Arguments

name Name of the register to return

Description

Return the value of the named CPU register, as it was saved when the current probe point was hit. If the register is 32 bits, it is sign-extended to 64 bits.

For the i386 architecture, the following names are recognized. (name1/name2 indicates that name1 and name2 are alternative names for the same register.) eax/ax, ebp/bp, ebx/bx, ecx/cx, edi/di, edx/dx, eflags/flags, eip/ip, esi/si, esp/sp, orig_eax/orig_ax, xcs/cs, xds/ds, xes/es, xfs/fs, xss/ss.

For the x86_64 architecture, the following names are recognized: 64-bit registers: r8, r9, r10, r11, r12, r13, r14, r15, rax/ax, rbp/bp, rbx/bx, rcx/cx, rdi/di, rdx/dx, rip/ip, rsi/si, rsp/sp; 32-bit registers: eax, ebp, ebx, ecx, edx, edi, edx, eip, esi, esp, flags/eflags, orig_eax; segment registers: xcs/cs, xss/ss.

For powerpc, the following names are recognized: r0, r1, ... r31, nip, msr, orig_gpr3, ctr, link, xer, ccr, softe, trap, dar, dsisr, result.

For s390x, the following names are recognized: r0, r1, ... r15, args, psw.mask, psw.addr, orig_gpr2, ilc, trap.

For AArch64, the following names are recognized: x0, x1, ... x30, fp, lr, sp, pc, and orig_x0.

function::registers_valid

function::registers_valid — Determines validity of register and u_register in current context

Synopsis

registers_valid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns 1 if register and u_register can be used in the current context, or 0 otherwise. For example, registers_valid returns 0 when called from a begin or end probe.

function::regparm

function::regparm — Specify regparm value used to compile function

Synopsis

regparm(n:long)

Arguments

n original regparm value

Description

Call this function with argument n before accessing function arguments using the *_arg function is the function was build with the gcc -mregparm=n option.

(The i386 kernel is built with $\mbox{-mregparm}=3$, so systemtap considers regparm(3) the default for kernel functions on that architecture.) Only valid on i386 and x86_64 (when probing 32bit applications). Produces an error on other architectures.

function::remote_id

function::remote_id — The index of this instance in a remote execution.

Synopsis

remote_id:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns a number 0..N, which is the unique index of this particular script execution from a swarm of "stap --remote A --remote B ..." runs, and is the same number "stap --remote-prefix" would print. The function returns -1 if the script was not launched with "stap --remote", or if the remote staprun/ stapsh are older than version 1.7.

function::remote_uri

function::remote_uri — The name of this instance in a remote execution.

Synopsis

remote_uri:string()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the remote host used to invoke this particular script execution from a swarm of "stap --remote" runs. It may not be unique among the swarm. The function returns an empty string if the script was not launched with "stap --remote".

function::s32_arg

function::s32_arg — Return function argument as signed 32-bit value

Synopsis

s32_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the signed 32-bit value of argument n, same as int_arg.

function::s64_arg

function::s64_arg — Return function argument as signed 64-bit value

Synopsis

s64_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the signed 64-bit value of argument n, same as longlong_arg.

function::sid

function::sid — Returns the session ID of the current process

Synopsis

sid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

The session ID of a process is the process group ID of the session leader. Session ID is stored in the signal_struct since Kernel 2.6.0.

function::sprint_backtrace

function::sprint_backtrace — Return stack back trace as string

Synopsis

sprint_backtrace:string()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns a simple (kernel) backtrace. One line per address. Includes the symbol name (or hex address if symbol couldn't be resolved) and module name (if found). Includes the offset from the start of the function if found, otherwise the offset will be added to the module (if found, between brackets). Returns the backtrace as string (each line terminated by a newline character). Note that the returned stack will be truncated to MAXSTRINGLEN, to print fuller and richer stacks use print_backtrace. Equivalent to sprint_stack(backtrace), but more efficient (no need to translate between hex strings and final backtrace string).

function::sprint_stack

function::sprint_stack — Return stack for kernel addresses from string

Synopsis

sprint_stack:string(stk:string)

Arguments

stk String with list of hexadecimal (kernel) addresses

Description

Perform a symbolic lookup of the addresses in the given string, which is assumed to be the result of a prior call to backtrace.

Returns a simple backtrace from the given hex string. One line per address. Includes the symbol name (or hex address if symbol couldn't be resolved) and module name (if found). Includes the offset from the start of the function if found, otherwise the offset will be added to the module (if found, between brackets). Returns the backtrace as string (each line terminated by a newline character). Note that the returned stack will be truncated to MAXSTRINGLEN, to print fuller and richer stacks use print_stack.

NOTE

it is recommended to use sprint_syms instead of this function.

function::sprint_syms

function::sprint_syms — Return stack for kernel addresses from string

Synopsis

sprint_syms(callers:string)

Arguments

callers

String with list of hexadecimal (kernel) addresses

Description

Perform a symbolic lookup of the addresses in the given string, which are assumed to be the result of a prior calls to stack, callers, and similar functions.

Returns a simple backtrace from the given hex string. One line per address. Includes the symbol name (or hex address if symbol couldn't be resolved) and module name (if found), as obtained from symdata. Includes the offset from the start of the function if found, otherwise the offset will be added to the module (if found, between brackets). Returns the backtrace as string (each line terminated by a newline character). Note that the returned stack will be truncated to MAXSTRINGLEN, to print fuller and richer stacks use print_syms.

function::sprint_ubacktrace

function::sprint_ubacktrace — Return stack back trace for current user-space task as string.

Synopsis

sprint_ubacktrace:string()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns a simple backtrace for the current task. One line per address. Includes the symbol name (or hex address if symbol couldn't be resolved) and module name (if found). Includes the offset from the start of the function if found, otherwise the offset will be added to the module (if found, between brackets). Returns the backtrace as string (each line terminated by a newline character). Note that the returned stack will be truncated to MAXSTRINGLEN, to print fuller and richer stacks use print_ubacktrace. Equivalent to sprint_ustack(ubacktrace), but more efficient (no need to translate between hex strings and final backtrace string).

Note

To get (full) backtraces for user space applications and shared shared libraries not mentioned in the current script run stap with -d /path/to/exe-or-so and/or add --ldd to load all needed unwind data.

function::sprint_ustack

function::sprint_ustack — Return stack for the current task from string.

Synopsis

sprint_ustack:string(stk:string)

Arguments

stk String with list of hexadecimal addresses for the current task.

Description

Perform a symbolic lookup of the addresses in the given string, which is assumed to be the result of a prior call to ubacktrace for the current task.

Returns a simple backtrace from the given hex string. One line per address. Includes the symbol name (or hex address if symbol couldn't be resolved) and module name (if found). Includes the offset from the start of the function if found, otherwise the offset will be added to the module (if found, between brackets). Returns the backtrace as string (each line terminated by a newline character). Note that the returned stack will be truncated to MAXSTRINGLEN, to print fuller and richer stacks use print_ustack.

NOTE

it is recommended to use sprint_usyms instead of this function.

function::sprint_usyms

function::sprint_usyms — Return stack for user addresses from string

Synopsis

sprint_usyms(callers:string)

Arguments

callers St

String with list of hexadecimal (user) addresses

Description

Perform a symbolic lookup of the addresses in the given string, which are assumed to be the result of a prior calls to ustack, ucallers, and similar functions.

Returns a simple backtrace from the given hex string. One line per address. Includes the symbol name (or hex address if symbol couldn't be resolved) and module name (if found), as obtained from usymdata. Includes the offset from the start of the function if found, otherwise the offset will be added to the module (if found, between brackets). Returns the backtrace as string (each line terminated by a newline character). Note that the returned stack will be truncated to MAXSTRINGLEN, to print fuller and richer stacks use print_usyms.

function::stack

function::stack — Return address at given depth of kernel stack backtrace

Synopsis

stack:long(n:long)

Arguments

n number of levels to descend in the stack.

Description

Performs a simple (kernel) backtrace, and returns the element at the specified position. The results of the backtrace itself are cached, so that the backtrace computation is performed at most once no matter how many times stack is called, or in what order.

function::stack_size

function::stack_size — Return the size of the kernel stack

Synopsis

stack_size:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the size of the kernel stack.

function::stack_unused

function::stack_unused — Returns the amount of kernel stack currently available

Synopsis

stack_unused:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function determines how many bytes are currently available in the kernel stack.

function::stack_used

function::stack_used — Returns the amount of kernel stack used

Synopsis

stack_used:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function determines how many bytes are currently used in the kernel stack.

function::stp_pid

function::stp_pid — The process id of the stapio process

Synopsis

stp_pid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the process id of the stapio process that launched this script. There could be other SystemTap scripts and stapio processes running on the system.

function::symdata

function::symdata — Return the kernel symbol and module offset for the address

Synopsis

symdata:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to translate

Description

Returns the (function) symbol name associated with the given address if known, the offset from the start and size of the symbol, plus module name (between brackets). If symbol is unknown, but module is known, the offset inside the module, plus the size of the module is added. If any element is not known it will be omitted and if the symbol name is unknown it will return the hex string for the given address.

function::symfile

function::symfile — Return the file name of a given address.

Synopsis

symfile:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to translate.

Description

Returns the file name of the given address, if known. If the file name cannot be found, the hex string representation of the address will be returned.

function::symfileline

function::symfileline — Return the file name and line number of an address.

Synopsis

symfileline:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to translate.

Description

Returns the file name and the (approximate) line number of the given address, if known. If the file name or the line number cannot be found, the hex string representation of the address will be returned.

function::symline

function::symline — Return the line number of an address.

Synopsis

symline:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to translate.

Description

Returns the (approximate) line number of the given address, if known. If the line number cannot be found, the hex string representation of the address will be returned.

function::symname

function::symname — Return the kernel symbol associated with the given address

Synopsis

symname:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to translate

Description

Returns the (function) symbol name associated with the given address if known. If not known it will return the hex string representation of addr.

function::target

function::target — Return the process ID of the target process

Synopsis

target:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the process ID of the target process. This is useful in conjunction with the -x PID or -c CMD command-line options to stap. An example of its use is to create scripts that filter on a specific process.

-x <pid> target returns the pid specified by -x

-c <command> target returns the pid for the executed command specified by -c

function::task_ancestry

function::task_ancestry — The ancestry of the given task

Synopsis

task_ancestry:string(task:long,with_time:long)

Arguments

task_struct pointer

with_time set to 1 to also print the start time of processes (given as a delta from boot time)

Description

Return the ancestry of the given task in the form of "grandparent_process=>parent_process".

function::task_backtrace

function::task_backtrace — Hex backtrace of an arbitrary task

Synopsis

task_backtrace:string(task:long)

Arguments

task pointer to task_struct

Description

This function returns a string of hex addresses that are a backtrace of the stack of a particular task Output may be truncated as per maximum string length. Deprecated in SystemTap 1.6.

function::task_cpu

 $function:: task_cpu --- The \ scheduled \ cpu \ of \ the \ task$

Synopsis

task_cpu:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the scheduled cpu for the given task.

function::task_current

function::task_current — The current task_struct of the current task

Synopsis

task_current:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the task_struct representing the current process. This address can be passed to the various task_*() functions to extract more task-specific data.

function::task_cwd_path

function::task_cwd_path — get the path struct pointer for a task's current working directory

Synopsis

task_cwd_path:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer.

function::task_egid

function::task_egid — The effective group identifier of the task

Synopsis

task_egid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the effective group id of the given task.

function::task_euid

function::task_euid — The effective user identifier of the task

Synopsis

task_euid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the effective user id of the given task.

function::task_exe_file

function::task_exe_file — get the file struct pointer for a task's executable file

Synopsis

task_exe_file:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer.

function::task_execname

function::task_execname — The name of the task

Synopsis

task_execname:string(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

Return the name of the given task.

function::task_fd_lookup

function::task_fd_lookup — get the file struct for a task's fd

Synopsis

task_fd_lookup:long(task:long,fd:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer.

fd file descriptor number.

Description

Returns the file struct pointer for a task's file descriptor.

function::task_gid

function::task_gid — The group identifier of the task

Synopsis

task_gid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the group id of the given task.

function::task_max_file_handles

function::task_max_file_handles — The max number of open files for the task

Synopsis

task_max_file_handles:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the maximum number of file handlers for the given task.

function::task_nice

function::task_nice — The nice value of the task

Synopsis

task_nice:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the nice value of the given task.

function::task_ns_egid

function::task_ns_egid — The effective group identifier of the task

Synopsis

task_ns_egid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the effective group id of the given task.

function::task_ns_euid

function::task_ns_euid — The effective user identifier of the task

Synopsis

task_ns_euid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the effective user id of the given task.

function::task_ns_gid

function::task_ns_gid — The group identifier of the task as seen in a namespace

Synopsis

task_ns_gid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the group id of the given task as seen in in the given user namespace.

function::task_ns_pid

function::task_ns_pid — The process identifier of the task

Synopsis

task_ns_pid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This fucntion returns the process id of the given task based on the specified pid namespace..

function::task_ns_tid

function::task_ns_tid — The thread identifier of the task as seen in a namespace

Synopsis

task_ns_tid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the thread id of the given task as seen in the pid namespace.

function::task_ns_uid

function::task_ns_uid — The user identifier of the task

Synopsis

task_ns_uid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the user id of the given task.

function::task_open_file_handles

function::task_open_file_handles — The number of open files of the task

Synopsis

task_open_file_handles:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the number of open file handlers for the given task.

function::task_parent

function::task_parent — The task_struct of the parent task

Synopsis

task_parent:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the parent task_struct of the given task. This address can be passed to the various task_*() functions to extract more task-specific data.

function::task_pid

function::task_pid — The process identifier of the task

Synopsis

task_pid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This fucntion returns the process id of the given task.

function::task_prio

function::task_prio — The priority value of the task

Synopsis

task_prio:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the priority value of the given task.

function::task_state

function::task_state — The state of the task

Synopsis

task_state:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

Return the state of the given task, one of: TASK_RUNNING (0), TASK_INTERRUPTIBLE (1), TASK_UNINTERRUPTIBLE (2), TASK_STOPPED (4), TASK_TRACED (8), EXIT_ZOMBIE (16), or EXIT_DEAD (32).

function::task_tid

function::task_tid — The thread identifier of the task

Synopsis

task_tid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the thread id of the given task.

function::task_uid

function::task_uid — The user identifier of the task

Synopsis

task_uid:long(task:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer

Description

This function returns the user id of the given task.

function::tid

function::tid — Returns the thread ID of a target process

Synopsis

tid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the thread ID of the target process.

function::u32_arg

function::u32_arg — Return function argument as unsigned 32-bit value

Synopsis

u32_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the unsigned 32-bit value of argument n, same as uint_arg.

function::u64_arg

function::u64_arg — Return function argument as unsigned 64-bit value

Synopsis

u64_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the unsigned 64-bit value of argument n, same as ulonglong_arg.

function::u_register

function::u_register — Return the unsigned value of the named CPU register

Synopsis

u_register:long(name:string)

Arguments

name Name of the register to return

Description

Same as register(name), except that if the register is 32 bits wide, it is zero-extended to 64 bits.

function::uaddr

function::uaddr — User space address of current running task

Synopsis

uaddr:long()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns the address in userspace that the current task was at when the probe occurred. When the current running task isn't a user space thread, or the address cannot be found, zero is returned. Can be used to see where the current task is combined with usymname or usymdata. Often the task will be in the VDSO where it entered the kernel.

function::ubacktrace

function::ubacktrace — Hex backtrace of current user-space task stack.

Synopsis

ubacktrace:string()

Arguments

None

Description

Return a string of hex addresses that are a backtrace of the stack of the current task. Output may be truncated as per maximum string length. Returns empty string when current probe point cannot determine user backtrace. See backtrace for kernel traceback.

Note

To get (full) backtraces for user space applications and shared libraries not mentioned in the current script run stap with -d /path/to/exe-or-so and/or add --ldd to load all needed unwind data.

function::ucallers

function::ucallers — Return first n elements of user stack backtrace

Synopsis

ucallers:string(n:long)

Arguments

n number of levels to descend in the stack (not counting the top level). If n is -1, print the entire stack.

Description

This function returns a string of the first n hex addresses from the backtrace of the user stack. Output may be truncated as per maximum string length (MAXSTRINGLEN).

Note

To get (full) backtraces for user space applications and shared shared libraries not mentioned in the current script run stap with -d /path/to/exe-or-so and/or add --ldd to load all needed unwind data.

function::uid

function::uid — Returns the user ID of a target process

Synopsis

uid:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the user ID of the target process.

function::uint_arg

function::uint_arg — Return function argument as unsigned int

Synopsis

uint_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the value of argument n as an unsigned int (i.e., a 32-bit integer zero-extended to 64 bits).

function::ulong_arg

function::ulong_arg — Return function argument as unsigned long

Synopsis

ulong_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the value of argument n as an unsigned long. On architectures where a long is 32 bits, the value is zero-extended to 64 bits.

function::ulonglong_arg

function::ulonglong_arg — Return function argument as 64-bit value

Synopsis

ulonglong_arg:long(n:long)

Arguments

n index of argument to return

Description

Return the value of argument n as a 64-bit value. (Same as longlong_arg.)

function::umodname

function::umodname — Returns the (short) name of the user module.

Synopsis

umodname:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr User-space address

Description

Returns the short name of the user space module for the current task that that the given address is part of. Reports an error when the address isn't in a (mapped in) module, or the module cannot be found for some reason.

function::user_mode

function::user_mode — Determines if probe point occurs in user-mode

Synopsis

user_mode:long()

Arguments

None

Description

Return 1 if the probe point occurred in user-mode.

function::ustack

function::ustack — Return address at given depth of user stack backtrace

Synopsis

ustack:long(n:long)

Arguments

n number of levels to descend in the stack.

Description

Performs a simple (user space) backtrace, and returns the element at the specified position. The results of the backtrace itself are cached, so that the backtrace computation is performed at most once no matter how many times ustack is called, or in what order.

function::usymdata

function::usymdata — Return the symbol and module offset of an address.

Synopsis

usymdata:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to translate.

Description

Returns the (function) symbol name associated with the given address in the current task if known, the offset from the start and the size of the symbol, plus the module name (between brackets). If symbol is unknown, but module is known, the offset inside the module, plus the size of the module is added. If any element is not known it will be omitted and if the symbol name is unknown it will return the hex string for the given address.

function::usymfile

function::usymfile — Return the file name of a given address.

Synopsis

usymfile:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to translate.

Description

Returns the file name of the given address, if known. If the file name cannot be found, the hex string representation of the address will be returned.

function::usymfileline

function::usymfileline — Return the file name and line number of an address.

Synopsis

usymfileline:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to translate.

Description

Returns the file name and the (approximate) line number of the given address, if known. If the file name or the line number cannot be found, the hex string representation of the address will be returned.

function::usymline

function::usymline — Return the line number of an address.

Synopsis

usymline:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to translate.

Description

Returns the (approximate) line number of the given address, if known. If the line number cannot be found, the hex string representation of the address will be returned.

function::usymname

function::usymname — Return the symbol of an address in the current task.

Synopsis

usymname:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The address to translate.

Description

Returns the (function) symbol name associated with the given address if known. If not known it will return the hex string representation of addr.

Chapter 3. Timestamp Functions

Each timestamp function returns a value to indicate when a function is executed. These returned values can then be used to indicate when an event occurred, provide an ordering for events, or compute the amount of time elapsed between two time stamps.

function::HZ

function::HZ — Kernel HZ

Synopsis

HZ:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the value of the kernel HZ macro, which corresponds to the rate of increase of the jiffies value.

function::cpu_clock_ms

function::cpu_clock_ms — Number of milliseconds on the given cpu's clock

Synopsis

cpu_clock_ms:long(cpu:long)

Arguments

cpu Which processor's clock to read

Description

This function returns the number of milliseconds on the given cpu's clock. This is always monotonic comparing on the same cpu, but may have some drift between cpus (within about a jiffy).

function::cpu_clock_ns

function::cpu_clock_ns — Number of nanoseconds on the given cpu's clock

Synopsis

cpu_clock_ns:long(cpu:long)

Arguments

cpu Which processor's clock to read

Description

This function returns the number of nanoseconds on the given cpu's clock. This is always monotonic comparing on the same cpu, but may have some drift between cpus (within about a jiffy).

function::cpu_clock_s

function::cpu_clock_s — Number of seconds on the given cpu's clock

Synopsis

cpu_clock_s:long(cpu:long)

Arguments

cpu Which processor's clock to read

Description

This function returns the number of seconds on the given cpu's clock. This is always monotonic comparing on the same cpu, but may have some drift between cpus (within about a jiffy).

function::cpu_clock_us

function::cpu_clock_us — Number of microseconds on the given cpu's clock

Synopsis

cpu_clock_us:long(cpu:long)

Arguments

cpu Which processor's clock to read

Description

This function returns the number of microseconds on the given cpu's clock. This is always monotonic comparing on the same cpu, but may have some drift between cpus (within about a jiffy).

function::delete_stopwatch

function::delete_stopwatch — Remove an existing stopwatch

Synopsis

delete_stopwatch(name:string)

Arguments

name the stopwatch name

Description

Remove stopwatch name.

function::get_cycles

function::get_cycles — Processor cycle count

Synopsis

get_cycles:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the processor cycle counter value if available, else it returns zero. The cycle counter is free running and unsynchronized on each processor. Thus, the order of events cannot determined by comparing the results of the get_cycles function on different processors.

function::gettimeofday_ms

function::gettimeofday_ms — Number of milliseconds since UNIX epoch

Synopsis

gettimeofday_ms:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the number of milliseconds since the UNIX epoch.

function::gettimeofday_ns

function::gettimeofday_ns - Number of nanoseconds since UNIX epoch

Synopsis

gettimeofday_ns:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the number of nanoseconds since the UNIX epoch.

function::gettimeofday_s

function::gettimeofday_s — Number of seconds since UNIX epoch

Synopsis

gettimeofday_s:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the number of seconds since the UNIX epoch.

function::gettimeofday_us

function::gettimeofday_us — Number of microseconds since UNIX epoch

Synopsis

gettimeofday_us:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the number of microseconds since the UNIX epoch.

function::jiffies

function::jiffies — Kernel jiffies count

Synopsis

jiffies:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the value of the kernel jiffies variable. This value is incremented periodically by timer interrupts, and may wrap around a 32-bit or 64-bit boundary. See HZ.

function::ktime_get_ns

function::ktime_get_ns — Number of nanoseconds since boot

Synopsis

ktime_get_ns:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the system ktime.

function::local_clock_ms

function::local_clock_ms — Number of milliseconds on the local cpu's clock

Synopsis

local_clock_ms:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the number of milliseconds on the local cpu's clock. This is always monotonic comparing on the same cpu, but may have some drift between cpus (within about a jiffy).

function::local_clock_ns

function::local_clock_ns — Number of nanoseconds on the local cpu's clock

Synopsis

local_clock_ns:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the number of nanoseconds on the local cpu's clock. This is always monotonic comparing on the same cpu, but may have some drift between cpus (within about a jiffy).

function::local_clock_s

function::local_clock_s — Number of seconds on the local cpu's clock

Synopsis

local_clock_s:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the number of seconds on the local cpu's clock. This is always monotonic comparing on the same cpu, but may have some drift between cpus (within about a jiffy).

function::local_clock_us

function::local_clock_us — Number of microseconds on the local cpu's clock

Synopsis

local_clock_us:long()

Arguments

None

Description

This function returns the number of microseconds on the local cpu's clock. This is always monotonic comparing on the same cpu, but may have some drift between cpus (within about a jiffy).

function::read_stopwatch_ms

function::read_stopwatch_ms — Reads the time in milliseconds for a stopwatch

Synopsis

read_stopwatch_ms:long(name:string)

Arguments

name stopwatch name

Description

Returns time in milliseconds for stopwatch name. Creates stopwatch name if it does not currently exist.

function::read_stopwatch_ns

function::read_stopwatch_ns — Reads the time in nanoseconds for a stopwatch

Synopsis

read_stopwatch_ns:long(name:string)

Arguments

name stopwatch name

Description

Returns time in nanoseconds for stopwatch name. Creates stopwatch name if it does not currently exist.

function::read_stopwatch_s

function::read_stopwatch_s — Reads the time in seconds for a stopwatch

Synopsis

read_stopwatch_s:long(name:string)

Arguments

name stopwatch name

Description

Returns time in seconds for stopwatch name. Creates stopwatch name if it does not currently exist.

function::read_stopwatch_us

function::read_stopwatch_us — Reads the time in microseconds for a stopwatch

Synopsis

read_stopwatch_us:long(name:string)

Arguments

name stopwatch name

Description

Returns time in microseconds for stopwatch name. Creates stopwatch name if it does not currently exist.

function::start_stopwatch

function::start_stopwatch — Start a stopwatch

Synopsis

start_stopwatch(name:string)

Arguments

name the stopwatch name

Description

Start stopwatch name. Creates stopwatch name if it does not currently exist.

function::stop_stopwatch

 $function::stop_stopwatch --- Stop\ a\ stopwatch$

Synopsis

stop_stopwatch(name:string)

Arguments

name the stopwatch name

Description

Stop stopwatch name. Creates stopwatch name if it does not currently exist.

Chapter 4. Time utility functions

Utility functions to turn seconds since the epoch (as returned by the timestamp function gettimeofday_s()) into a human readable date/time strings.

function::ctime

function::ctime — Convert seconds since epoch into human readable date/time string

Synopsis

- 1) ctime:string(epochsecs:long)
- 2) ctime:string()

Arguments

epochsecs

Number of seconds since epoch (as returned by gettimeofday_s)

Description

1) Takes an argument of seconds since the epoch as returned bygettimeofday_s. Returns a string of the form

2) "Wed Jun 30 21:49:08 1993"

The string will always be exactly 24 characters. If the time would be unreasonable far in the past (before what can be represented with a 32 bit offset in seconds from the epoch) an error will occur (which can be avoided with try/catch). If the time would be unreasonable far in the future, an error will also occur.

Note that the epoch (zero) corresponds to

"Thu Jan 1 00:00:00 1970"

The earliest full date given by ctime, corresponding to epochsecs -2147483648 is "Fri Dec 13 20:45:52 1901". The latest full date given by ctime, corresponding to epochsecs 2147483647 is "Tue Jan 19 03:14:07 2038".

The abbreviations for the days of the week are 'Sun', 'Mon', 'Tue', 'Wed', 'Thu', 'Fri', and 'Sat'. The abbreviations for the months are 'Jan', 'Feb', 'Mar', 'Apr', 'May', 'Jun', 'Jul', 'Aug', 'Sep', 'Oct', 'Nov', and 'Dec'.

Note that the real C library ctime function puts a newline ('\n') character at the end of the string that this function does not. Also note that since the kernel has no concept of timezones, the returned time is always in GMT.

function::tz_ctime

function::tz_ctime — Convert seconds since epoch into human readable date/time string, with local time zone

Synopsis

tz_ctime(epochsecs:)

Arguments

epochsecs

number of seconds since epoch (as returned by gettimeofday_s)

Description

Takes an argument of seconds since the epoch as returned by <code>gettimeofday_s</code>. Returns a string of the same form as <code>ctime</code>, but offsets the epoch time for the local time zone, and appends the name of the local time zone. The string length may vary. The time zone information is passed by staprun at script startup only.

function::tz_gmtoff

function::tz_gmtoff — Return local time zone offset

Synopsis

tz_gmtoff()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns the local time zone offset (seconds west of UTC), as passed by staprun at script startup only.

function::tz_name

function::tz_name — Return local time zone name

Synopsis

tz_name()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns the local time zone name, as passed by staprun at script startup only.

Chapter 5. Shell command functions

Utility functions to enqueue shell commands.

function::system

function::system — Issue a command to the system

Synopsis

system(cmd:string)

Arguments

cmd the command to issue to the system

Description

This function runs a command on the system. The command is started in the background some time after the current probe completes. The command is run with the same UID as the user running the stap or staprun command. The runtime may impose a relatively short length limit on the command string. Exceeding it may print a warning.

Chapter 6. Memory Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe memory-related events or query the memory usage of the current process. It contains the following probe points:

function::addr_to_node

function::addr_to_node — Returns which node a given address belongs to within a NUMA system

Synopsis

addr_to_node:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the address of the faulting memory access

Description

This function accepts an address, and returns the node that the given address belongs to in a NUMA system.

function::bytes_to_string

function::bytes_to_string — Human readable string for given bytes

Synopsis

bytes_to_string:string(bytes:long)

Arguments

bytes Number of bytes to translate.

Description

Returns a string representing the number of bytes (up to 1024 bytes), the number of kilobytes (when less than 1024K) postfixed by 'K', the number of megabytes (when less than 1024M) postfixed by 'M' or the number of gigabytes postfixed by 'G'. If representing K, M or G, and the number is amount is less than 100, it includes a '.' plus the remainer. The returned string will be 5 characters wide (padding with whitespace at the front) unless negative or representing more than 9999G bytes.

function::mem_page_size

function::mem_page_size — Number of bytes in a page for this architecture

Synopsis

mem_page_size:long()

Arguments

None

function::pages_to_string

function::pages_to_string — Turns pages into a human readable string

Synopsis

pages_to_string:string(pages:long)

Arguments

pages Number of pages to translate.

Description

Multiplies pages by $page_size$ to get the number of bytes and returns the result of $bytes_to_string$.

function::proc_mem_data

function::proc_mem_data — Program data size (data + stack) in pages

Synopsis

- 1) proc_mem_data:long()
- 2) proc_mem_data:long(pid:long)

Arguments

pid The pid of process to examine

- 1) Returns the current process data size (data + stack) in pages, or zero when there is no current process or the number of pages couldn't be retrieved.
- 2) Returns the given process data size (data + stack) in pages, or zero when the process doesn't exist or the number of pages couldn't be retrieved.

function::proc_mem_rss

function::proc_mem_rss — Program resident set size in pages

Synopsis

- 1) proc_mem_rss:long()
- 2) proc_mem_rss:long(pid:long)

Arguments

pid The pid of process to examine

- 1) Returns the resident set size in pages of the current process, or zero when there is no current process or the number of pages couldn't be retrieved.
- 2) Returns the resident set size in pages of the given process, or zero when the process doesn't exist or the number of pages couldn't be retrieved.

function::proc_mem_shr

function::proc_mem_shr — Program shared pages (from shared mappings)

Synopsis

- 1) proc_mem_shr:long()
- 2) proc_mem_shr:long(pid:long)

Arguments

pid The pid of process to examine

- 1) Returns the shared pages (from shared mappings) of the current process, or zero when there is no current process or the number of pages couldn't be retrieved.
- 2) Returns the shared pages (from shared mappings) of the given process, or zero when the process doesn't exist or the number of pages couldn't be retrieved.

function::proc_mem_size

function::proc_mem_size — Total program virtual memory size in pages

Synopsis

- 1) proc_mem_size:long()
- 2) proc_mem_size:long(pid:long)

Arguments

pid The pid of process to examine

- 1) Returns the total virtual memory size in pages of the current process, or zero when there is no current process or the number of pages couldn't be retrieved.
- 2) Returns the total virtual memory size in pages of the given process, or zero when that process doesn't exist or the number of pages couldn't be retrieved.

function::proc_mem_string

function::proc_mem_string — Human readable string of process memory usage

Synopsis

- 1) proc_mem_string:string()
- 2) proc_mem_string:string(pid:long)

Arguments

pid The pid of process to examine

- 1) Returns a human readable string showing the size, rss, shr, txt and data of the memory used by the current process. For example "size: 301m, rss: 11m, shr: 8m, txt: 52k, data: 2248k".
- 2) Returns a human readable string showing the size, rss, shr, txt and data of the memory used by the given process. For example "size: 301m, rss: 11m, shr: 8m, txt: 52k, data: 2248k".

function::proc_mem_txt

function::proc_mem_txt — Program text (code) size in pages

Synopsis

- 1) proc_mem_txt:long()
- 2) proc_mem_txt:long(pid:long)

Arguments

pid The pid of process to examine

- 1) Returns the current process text (code) size in pages, or zero when there is no current process or the number of pages couldn't be retrieved.
- 2) Returns the given process text (code) size in pages, or zero when the process doesn't exist or the number of pages couldn't be retrieved.

function::vm_fault_contains

function::vm_fault_contains — Test return value for page fault reason

Synopsis

vm_fault_contains:long(value:long,test:long)

Arguments

value the fault_type returned by vm.page_fault.return

the type of fault to test for (VM_FAULT_OOM or similar)

probe::vm.brk

probe::vm.brk — Fires when a brk is requested (i.e. the heap will be resized)

Synopsis

vm.brk

Values

length the length of the memory segment

address the requested address

name of the probe point

Context

The process calling brk.

probe::vm.kfree

probe::vm.kfree — Fires when kfree is requested

Synopsis

vm.kfree

Values

ptr pointer to the kmemory allocated which is returned by kmalloc

name of the probe point

caller_function name of the caller function.

call_site address of the function calling this kmemory function

probe::vm.kmalloc

probe::vm.kmalloc — Fires when kmalloc is requested

Synopsis

vm.kmalloc

Values

gfp_flags type of kmemory to allocate

call_site address of the kmemory function

caller_function name of the caller function

bytes_alloc allocated Bytes

bytes_req requested Bytes

name of the probe point

gfp_flag_name type of kmemory to allocate (in String format)

ptr pointer to the kmemory allocated

probe::vm.kmalloc_node

probe::vm.kmalloc_node — Fires when kmalloc_node is requested

Synopsis

vm.kmalloc_node

Values

gfp_flags type of kmemory to allocate

call_site address of the function caling this kmemory function

caller_function name of the caller function

bytes_alloc allocated Bytes

bytes_req requested Bytes

name of the probe point

gfp_flag_name type of kmemory to allocate(in string format)

ptr pointer to the kmemory allocated

probe::vm.kmem_cache_alloc

probe::vm.kmem_cache_alloc — Fires when kmem_cache_alloc is requested

Synopsis

vm.kmem_cache_alloc

Values

bytes_alloc allocated Bytes

gfp_flags type of kmemory to allocate

call_site address of the function calling this kmemory function.

caller_function name of the caller function.

gfp_flag_name type of kmemory to allocate(in string format)

ptr pointer to the kmemory allocated

bytes_req requested Bytes

name of the probe point

probe::vm.kmem_cache_alloc_node

probe::vm.kmem_cache_alloc_node — Fires when kmem_cache_alloc_node is requested

Synopsis

vm.kmem_cache_alloc_node

Values

bytes_alloc allocated Bytes

call_site address of the function calling this kmemory function

caller_function
name of the caller function

gfp_flags type of kmemory to allocate

ptr pointer to the kmemory allocated

gfp_flag_name type of kmemory to allocate(in string format)

name of the probe point

bytes_req requested Bytes

probe::vm.kmem_cache_free

probe::vm.kmem_cache_free — Fires when kmem_cache_free is requested

Synopsis

vm.kmem_cache_free

Values

name Name of the probe point

ptr Pointer to the kmemory allocated which is returned by kmem_cache

call_site Address of the function calling this kmemory function

caller_function Name of the caller function.

probe::vm.mmap

probe::vm.mmap — Fires when an mmap is requested

Synopsis

vm.mmap

Values

length the length of the memory segment

address the requested address

name of the probe point

Context

The process calling mmap.

probe::vm.munmap

probe::vm.munmap — Fires when an munmap is requested

Synopsis

vm.munmap

Values

address the requested address

length the length of the memory segment

name of the probe point

Context

The process calling munmap.

probe::vm.oom_kill

probe::vm.oom_kill — Fires when a thread is selected for termination by the OOM killer

Synopsis

vm.oom_kill

Values

task the task being killed

name of the probe point

Context

The process that tried to consume excessive memory, and thus triggered the OOM.

probe::vm.pagefault

probe::vm.pagefault — Records that a page fault occurred

Synopsis

vm.pagefault

Values

write_access indicates whether this was a write or read access; 1 indicates a write, while

0 indicates a read

address the address of the faulting memory access; i.e. the address that caused the

page fault

name of the probe point

Context

The process which triggered the fault

probe::vm.pagefault.return

probe::vm.pagefault.return — Indicates what type of fault occurred

Synopsis

vm.pagefault.return

Values

fault_type returns either 0 (VM_FAULT_OOM) for out of memory faults, 2

(VM_FAULT_MINOR) for minor faults, 3 (VM_FAULT_MAJOR) for major faults, or 1 (VM_FAULT_SIGBUS) if the fault was neither OOM, minor fault,

nor major fault.

name of the probe point

probe::vm.write_shared

probe::vm.write_shared — Attempts at writing to a shared page

Synopsis

vm.write_shared

Values

address the address of the shared write

name of the probe point

Context

The context is the process attempting the write.

Description

Fires when a process attempts to write to a shared page. If a copy is necessary, this will be followed by a vm.write_shared_copy.

probe::vm.write_shared_copy

probe::vm.write_shared_copy — Page copy for shared page write

Synopsis

vm.write_shared_copy

Values

address The address of the shared write

zero boolean indicating whether it is a zero page (can do a clear instead of a copy)

name Name of the probe point

Context

The process attempting the write.

Description

Fires when a write to a shared page requires a page copy. This is always preceded by a vm.write_shared.

Chapter 7. Task Time Tapset

This tapset defines utility functions to query time related properties of the current tasks, translate those in miliseconds and human readable strings.

function::cputime_to_msecs

function::cputime_to_msecs — Translates the given cputime into milliseconds

Synopsis

cputime_to_msecs:long(cputime:long)

Arguments

cputime Time to convert to milliseconds.

function::cputime_to_string

function::cputime_to_string — Human readable string for given cputime

Synopsis

cputime_to_string:string(cputime:long)

Arguments

cputime Time to translate.

Description

Equivalent to calling: msec_to_string (cputime_to_msecs (cputime).

function::cputime_to_usecs

function::cputime_to_usecs — Translates the given cputime into microseconds

Synopsis

cputime_to_usecs:long(cputime:long)

Arguments

cputime Time to convert to microseconds.

function::msecs_to_string

function::msecs_to_string — Human readable string for given milliseconds

Synopsis

msecs_to_string:string(msecs:long)

Arguments

msecs Number of milliseconds to translate.

Description

Returns a string representing the number of milliseconds as a human readable string consisting of "XmY.ZZZs", where X is the number of minutes, Y is the number of seconds and ZZZ is the number of milliseconds.

function::nsecs_to_string

function::nsecs_to_string — Human readable string for given nanoseconds

Synopsis

nsecs_to_string:string(nsecs:long)

Arguments

nsecs Number of nanoseconds to translate.

Description

Returns a string representing the number of nanoseconds as a human readable string consisting of "XmY.ZZZZZZZ", where X is the number of minutes, Y is the number of seconds and ZZZZZZZZZ is the number of nanoseconds.

function::task_start_time

function::task_start_time — Start time of the given task

Synopsis

task_start_time:long(tid:long)

Arguments

tid Thread id of the given task

Description

Returns the start time of the given task in nanoseconds since boot time or 0 if the task does not exist.

function::task_stime

function::task_stime — System time of the task

Synopsis

- 1) task_stime:long()
- 2) task_stime:long(tid:long)

Arguments

tid Thread id of the given task

- 1) Returns the system time of the current task in cputime. Does not include any time used by other tasks in this process, nor does it include any time of the children of this task.
- 2) Returns the system time of the given task in cputime, or zero if the task doesn't exist. Does not include any time used by other tasks in this process, nor does it include any time of the children of this task.

function::task_time_string

function::task_time_string — Human readable string of task time usage

Synopsis

task_time_string:string()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns a human readable string showing the user and system time the current task has used up to now. For example "usr: 0m12.908s, sys: 1m6.851s".

function::task_time_string_tid

function::task_time_string_tid — Human readable string of task time usage

Synopsis

task_time_string_tid:string(tid:long)

Arguments

tid Thread id of the given task

Description

Returns a human readable string showing the user and system time the given task has used up to now. For example "usr: 0m12.908s, sys: 1m6.851s".

function::task_utime

function::task_utime — User time of the task

Synopsis

- 1) task_utime:long()
- 2) task_utime:long(tid:long)

Arguments

tid Thread id of the given task

- 1) Returns the user time of the current task in cputime. Does not include any time used by other tasks in this process, nor does it include any time of the children of this task.
- 2) Returns the user time of the given task in cputime, or zero if the task doesn't exist. Does not include any time used by other tasks in this process, nor does it include any time of the children of this task.

function::usecs_to_string

function::usecs_to_string — Human readable string for given microseconds

Synopsis

usecs_to_string:string(usecs:long)

Arguments

usecs Number of microseconds to translate.

Description

Returns a string representing the number of microseconds as a human readable string consisting of "XmY.ZZZZZZz", where X is the number of minutes, Y is the number of seconds and ZZZZZZ is the number of microseconds.

Chapter 8. Scheduler Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe the task scheduler activities. It contains the following probe points:

probe::scheduler.balance

probe::scheduler.balance — A cpu attempting to find more work.

Synopsis

scheduler.balance

Values

name of the probe point

Context

The cpu looking for more work.

probe::scheduler.cpu_off

probe::scheduler.cpu_off — Process is about to stop running on a cpu

Synopsis

scheduler.cpu_off

Values

idle boolean indicating whether current is the idle process

name of the probe point

the process leaving the cpu (same as current)

task_next the process replacing current

Context

The process leaving the cpu.

probe::scheduler.cpu_on

probe::scheduler.cpu_on — Process is beginning execution on a cpu

Synopsis

scheduler.cpu_on

Values

the process that was previously running on this cpu

name of the probe point

idle - boolean indicating whether current is the idle process

Context

The resuming process.

probe::scheduler.ctxswitch

probe::scheduler.ctxswitch — A context switch is occuring.

Synopsis

scheduler.ctxswitch

Values

name	name of the probe point
prev_tid	The TID of the process to be switched out
prev_priority	The priority of the process to be switched out
nexttsk_state	the state of the process to be switched in
prev_task_name	The name of the process to be switched out
prev_pid	The PID of the process to be switched out
next_pid	The PID of the process to be switched in
next_task_name	The name of the process to be switched in
next_tid	The TID of the process to be switched in
next_priority	The priority of the process to be switched in
prevtsk_state	the state of the process to be switched out

probe::scheduler.kthread_stop

probe::scheduler.kthread_stop — A thread created by kthread_create is being stopped

Synopsis

scheduler.kthread_stop

Values

thread_priority priority of the thread

thread_pid PID of the thread being stopped

probe::scheduler.kthread_stop.return

probe::scheduler.kthread_stop.return — A kthread is stopped and gets the return value

Synopsis

 $scheduler.kthread_stop.return$

Values

name of the probe point

return_value return value after stopping the thread

probe::scheduler.migrate

probe::scheduler.migrate — Task migrating across cpus

Synopsis

scheduler.migrate

Values

name of the probe point

pid PID of the task being migrated

cpu_from the original cpu

priority priority of the task being migrated

the process that is being migrated

cpu_to the destination cpu

probe::scheduler.process_exit

probe::scheduler.process_exit — Process exiting

Synopsis

scheduler.process_exit

Values

priority priority of the process exiting

pid PID of the process exiting

name of the probe point

probe::scheduler.process_fork

probe::scheduler.process_fork — Process forked

Synopsis

 $scheduler.process_fork$

Values

name of the probe point

child_pid PID of the child process

parent_pid
PID of the parent process

probe::scheduler.process_free

probe::scheduler.process_free — Scheduler freeing a data structure for a process

Synopsis

scheduler.process_free

Values

name of the probe point

pid PID of the process getting freed

priority priority of the process getting freed

probe::scheduler.process_wait

probe::scheduler.process_wait — Scheduler starting to wait on a process

Synopsis

scheduler.process_wait

Values

pid PID of the process scheduler is waiting on

name of the probe point

probe::scheduler.signal_send

probe::scheduler.signal_send — Sending a signal

Synopsis

scheduler.signal_send

Values

name of the probe point

signal_number signal number

pid pid of the process sending signal

probe::scheduler.tick

probe::scheduler.tick — Schedulers internal tick, a processes timeslice accounting is updated

Synopsis

scheduler.tick

Values

name of the probe point

idle boolean indicating whether current is the idle process

Context

The process whose accounting will be updated.

probe::scheduler.wait_task

probe::scheduler.wait_task — Waiting on a task to unschedule (become inactive)

Synopsis

scheduler.wait_task

Values

name of the probe point

task_pid PID of the task the scheduler is waiting on

task_priority priority of the task

probe::scheduler.wakeup

probe::scheduler.wakeup — Task is woken up

Synopsis

scheduler.wakeup

Values

name of the probe point

task_cpu cpu of the task being woken up

task_tid tid of the task being woken up

task_priority priority of the task being woken up

task_state state of the task being woken up

task_pid PID of the task being woken up

probe::scheduler.wakeup_new

 $probe:: scheduler. wakeup_new --- Newly\ created\ task\ is\ woken\ up\ for\ the\ first\ time$

Synopsis

scheduler.wakeup_new

Values

name of the probe point

task_cpu cpu of the task woken up

task_state state of the task woken up

task_pid PID of the new task woken up

task_priority priority of the new task

task_tid TID of the new task woken up

Chapter 9. IO Scheduler and block IO Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe block IO layer and IO scheduler activities. It contains the following probe points:

probe::ioblock.end

probe::ioblock.end — Fires whenever a block I/O transfer is complete.

Synopsis

ioblock.end

Values

rw binary trace for read/write request

error 0 on success

phys_segments number of segments in this bio after physical address coalescing is

performed.

name of the probe point

opf operations and flags

sector beginning sector for the entire bio

ino i-node number of the mapped file

devname block device name

hw_segments number of segments after physical and DMA remapping hardware

coalescing is performed

flags see below BIO_UPTODATE 0 ok after I/O completion

BIO_RW_BLOCK 1 RW_AHEAD set, and read/write would block BIO_EOF 2 out-out-bounds error BIO_SEG_VALID 3 nr_hw_seg valid BIO_CLONED 4 doesn't own data BIO_BOUNCED 5 bio is a bounce bio BIO_USER_MAPPED 6 contains user pages BIO_EOPNOTSUPP 7

not supported

vcnt bio vector count which represents number of array element (page, offset,

length) which makes up this I/O request

bytes_done number of bytes transferred

idx offset into the bio vector array

size total size in bytes

Context

The process signals the transfer is done.

probe::ioblock.request

probe::ioblock.request — Fires whenever making a generic block I/O request.

Synopsis

ioblock.request

Values

bdev

ino i-node number of the mapped file

devname block device name

vcnt bio vector count which represents number of array element (page, offset,

length) which make up this I/O request

flags see below BIO UPTODATE 0 ok after I/O completion

BIO_RW_BLOCK 1 RW_AHEAD set, and read/write would block BIO_EOF 2 out-out-bounds error BIO_SEG_VALID 3 nr_hw_seg valid BIO_CLONED 4 doesn't own data BIO_BOUNCED 5 bio is a bounce bio BIO_USER_MAPPED 6 contains user pages BIO_EOPNOTSUPP 7

not supported

target block device

idx offset into the bio vector array

size total size in bytes

p_start_sect points to the start sector of the partition structure of the device

hw_segments number of segments after physical and DMA remapping hardware

coalescing is performed

phys_segments number of segments in this bio after physical address coalescing is

performed

bdev_contains points to the device object which contains the partition (when bio structure

represents a partition)

rw binary trace for read/write request

sector beginning sector for the entire bio

name name of the probe point

opf operations and flags

Context

The process makes block I/O request

probe::ioblock_trace.bounce

probe::ioblock_trace.bounce — Fires whenever a buffer bounce is needed for at least one page of a block IO request.

Synopsis

ioblock_trace.bounce

Values

q request queue on which this bio was queued.

rw binary trace for read/write request

bdev_contains points to the device object which contains the partition (when bio structure

represents a partition)

opf operations and flags

name of the probe point

sector beginning sector for the entire bio

devname device for which a buffer bounce was needed.

ino i-node number of the mapped file

p_start_sect points to the start sector of the partition structure of the device

size total size in bytes

idx offset into the bio vector array phys_segments - number of segments

in this bio after physical address coalescing is performed.

bytes_done number of bytes transferred

flags see below BIO_UPTODATE 0 ok after I/O completion

BIO_RW_BLOCK 1 RW_AHEAD set, and read/write would block BIO_EOF 2 out-out-bounds error BIO_SEG_VALID 3 nr_hw_seg valid BIO_CLONED 4 doesn't own data BIO_BOUNCED 5 bio is a bounce bio BIO_USER_MAPPED 6 contains user pages BIO_EOPNOTSUPP 7

not supported

vcnt bio vector count which represents number of array element (page, offset,

length) which makes up this I/O request

bdev target block device

Context

The process creating a block IO request.

probe::ioblock_trace.end

probe::ioblock_trace.end — Fires whenever a block I/O transfer is complete.

Synopsis

ioblock_trace.end

Values

ino i-node number of the mapped file

devname block device name

p_start_sect points to the start sector of the partition structure of the device

bdev target block device

flags see below BIO_UPTODATE 0 ok after I/O completion

BIO_RW_BLOCK 1 RW_AHEAD set, and read/write would block BIO_EOF 2 out-out-bounds error BIO_SEG_VALID 3 nr_hw_seg valid BIO_CLONED 4 doesn't own data BIO_BOUNCED 5 bio is a bounce bio BIO_USER_MAPPED 6 contains user pages BIO_EOPNOTSUPP 7

not supported

vcnt bio vector count which represents number of array element (page, offset,

length) which makes up this I/O request

bytes_done number of bytes transferred

idx offset into the bio vector array phys_segments - number of segments

in this bio after physical address coalescing is performed.

size total size in bytes

rw binary trace for read/write request

q request queue on which this bio was queued.

bdev_contains points to the device object which contains the partition (when bio structure

represents a partition)

name of the probe point

opf operations and flags

sector beginning sector for the entire bio

Context

The process signals the transfer is done.

probe::ioblock_trace.request

probe::ioblock_trace.request — Fires just as a generic block I/O request is created for a bio.

Synopsis

ioblock_trace.request

Values

devname block device name

ino i-node number of the mapped file

idx offset into the bio vector array phys_segments - number of segments

in this bio after physical address coalescing is performed.

bytes_done number of bytes transferred

size total size in bytes

bdev target block device

vcnt bio vector count which represents number of array element (page, offset,

length) which make up this I/O request

flags see below BIO_UPTODATE 0 ok after I/O completion

BIO_RW_BLOCK 1 RW_AHEAD set, and read/write would block BIO_EOF 2 out-out-bounds error BIO_SEG_VALID 3 nr_hw_seg valid BIO_CLONED 4 doesn't own data BIO_BOUNCED 5 bio is a bounce bio BIO_USER_MAPPED 6 contains user pages BIO_EOPNOTSUPP 7

not supported

p_start_sect points to the start sector of the partition structure of the device

bdev_contains points to the device object which contains the partition (when bio structure

represents a partition)

q request queue on which this bio was queued.

rw binary trace for read/write request

sector beginning sector for the entire bio

name of the probe point

opf operations and flags

Context

The process makes block I/O request

probe::ioscheduler.elv_add_request

probe::ioscheduler.elv_add_request — probe to indicate request is added to the request queue.

Synopsis

ioscheduler.elv_add_request

Values

elevator_name The type of I/O elevator currently enabled.

disk_minor Disk minor number of request.

disk_major Disk major no of request.

q Pointer to request queue.

rq Address of request.

rq_flags Request flags.

probe::ioscheduler.elv_add_request.kp

probe::ioscheduler.elv_add_request.kp — kprobe based probe to indicate that a request was added to the request queue

Synopsis

ioscheduler.elv_add_request.kp

Values

disk_minor Disk minor number of the request

elevator_name The type of I/O elevator currently enabled

disk_major Disk major number of the request

q pointer to request queue

rq_flags Request flags

name Name of the probe point

rq Address of the request

probe::ioscheduler.elv_add_request.tp

probe::ioscheduler.elv_add_request.tp — tracepoint based probe to indicate a request is added to the request queue.

Synopsis

ioscheduler.elv_add_request.tp

Values

rq_flags Request flags.

rq Address of request.

name Name of the probe point

q Pointer to request queue.

disk_major Disk major no of request.

elevator_name The type of I/O elevator currently enabled.

disk_minor Disk minor number of request.

probe::ioscheduler.elv_completed_request

probe::ioscheduler.elv_completed_request — Fires when a request is completed

Synopsis

ioscheduler.elv_completed_request

Values

disk_major Disk major number of the request

disk_minor Disk minor number of the request

elevator_name The type of I/O elevator currently enabled

rq_flags Request flags

name Name of the probe point

rq Address of the request

probe::ioscheduler.elv_next_request

probe::ioscheduler.elv_next_request — Fires when a request is retrieved from the request queue

Synopsis

ioscheduler.elv_next_request

Values

name Name of the probe point

elevator_name The type of I/O elevator currently enabled

probe::ioscheduler.elv_next_request.return

probe::ioscheduler.elv_next_request.return — Fires when a request retrieval issues a return signal

Synopsis

ioscheduler.elv_next_request.return

Values

disk_minor Disk minor number of the request

disk_major Disk major number of the request

rq_flags Request flags

rq Address of the request

name Name of the probe point

probe::ioscheduler_trace.elv_abort_request

probe::ioscheduler_trace.elv_abort_request — Fires when a request is aborted.

Synopsis

ioscheduler_trace.elv_abort_request

Values

elevator_name The type of I/O elevator currently enabled.

disk_minor Disk minor number of request.

disk_major Disk major no of request.

name Name of the probe point

rq_flags Request flags.

rq Address of request.

probe::ioscheduler_trace.elv_completed_request

probe::ioscheduler_trace.elv_completed_request — Fires when a request is

Synopsis

ioscheduler_trace.elv_completed_request

Values

rq_flags Request flags.

rq Address of request.

name Name of the probe point

disk_major Disk major no of request.

elevator_name The type of I/O elevator currently enabled.

disk_minor Disk minor number of request.

Description

completed.

probe::ioscheduler_trace.elv_issue_request

probe::ioscheduler_trace.elv_issue_request — Fires when a request is

Synopsis

ioscheduler_trace.elv_issue_request

Values

disk_major Disk major no of request.

elevator_name The type of I/O elevator currently enabled.

disk_minor Disk minor number of request.

name Name of the probe point

rq_flags Request flags.

rq Address of request.

Description

scheduled.

probe::ioscheduler_trace.elv_requeue_request

probe::ioscheduler_trace.elv_requeue_request — Fires when a request is

Synopsis

ioscheduler_trace.elv_requeue_request

Values

name Name of the probe point

rq_flags Request flags.

rq Address of request.

disk_major Disk major no of request.

elevator_name The type of I/O elevator currently enabled.

disk_minor Disk minor number of request.

Description

put back on the queue, when the hadware cannot accept more requests.

probe::ioscheduler_trace.plug

probe::ioscheduler_trace.plug — Fires when a request queue is plugged;

Synopsis

ioscheduler_trace.plug

Values

rq_queue request queue

name Name of the probe point

Description

ie, requests in the queue cannot be serviced by block driver.

probe::ioscheduler_trace.unplug_io

probe::ioscheduler_trace.unplug_io — Fires when a request queue is unplugged;

Synopsis

ioscheduler_trace.unplug_io

Values

rq_queue request queue

name Name of the probe point

Description

Either, when number of pending requests in the queue exceeds threshold or, upon expiration of timer that was activated when queue was plugged.

probe::ioscheduler_trace.unplug_timer

probe::ioscheduler_trace.unplug_timer — Fires when unplug timer associated

Synopsis

ioscheduler_trace.unplug_timer

Values

rq_queue request queue

name Name of the probe point

Description

with a request queue expires.

Chapter 10. SCSI Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe SCSI activities. It contains the following probe points:

probe::scsi.iocompleted

probe::scsi.iocompleted — SCSI mid-layer running the completion processing for block device I/O requests

Synopsis

scsi.iocompleted

Values

data_direction The data_direction specifies whether this command is from/

to the device

device_state The current state of the device

1un The lun number

channel The channel number

dev_id The scsi device id

goodbytes The bytes completed

req_addr The current struct request pointer, as a number

host_no The host number

data_direction_str Data direction, as a string

device_state_str The current state of the device, as a string

probe::scsi.iodispatching

probe::scsi.iodispatching — SCSI mid-layer dispatched low-level SCSI command

Synopsis

scsi.iodispatching

Values

device_state The current state of the device

1un The lun number

request_buffer The request buffer address

data_direction The data_direction specifies whether this command

is from/to the device 0 (DMA_BIDIRECTIONAL), 1 (DMA_TO_DEVICE), 2 (DMA_FROM_DEVICE), 3

(DMA_NONE)

data_direction_str Data direction, as a string

host_no The host number

device_state_str The current state of the device, as a string

dev_id The scsi device id

request_bufflen The request buffer length

channel The channel number

req_addr The current struct request pointer, as a number

probe::scsi.iodone

probe::scsi.iodone — SCSI command completed by low level driver and enqueued into the done queue.

Synopsis

scsi.iodone

Values

req_addr The current struct request pointer, as a number

dev_id The scsi device id

channel The channel number

scsi_timer_pending 1 if a timer is pending on this request

data_direction_str Data direction, as a string

host no The host number

data_direction The data_direction specifies whether this command is from/

to the device.

device_state The current state of the device

1un The lun number

probe::scsi.ioentry

probe::scsi.ioentry — Prepares a SCSI mid-layer request

Synopsis

scsi.ioentry

Values

req_addr The current struct request pointer, as a number

disk_major The major number of the disk (-1 if no information)

device_state The current state of the device

disk_minor The minor number of the disk (-1 if no information)

device_state_str The current state of the device, as a string

probe::scsi.ioexecute

probe::scsi.ioexecute — Create mid-layer SCSI request and wait for the result

Synopsis

scsi.ioexecute

Values

data_direction The data_direction specifies whether this command is from/

to the device.

retries Number of times to retry request

channel The channel number

request_bufflen The data buffer buffer length

host_no The host number

data_direction_str Data direction, as a string

device_state_str The current state of the device, as a string

request_buffer The data buffer address

timeout Request timeout in seconds

1un The lun number

device_state The current state of the device

dev_id The scsi device id

probe::scsi.set_state

probe::scsi.set_state — Order SCSI device state change

Synopsis

scsi.set_state

Values

1un The lun number

old_state_str The current state of the device, as a string

state_str The new state of the device, as a string

state The new state of the device

dev_id The scsi device id

host_no The host number

channel The channel number

old_state The current state of the device

Chapter 11. TTY Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe TTY (Teletype) activities. It contains the following probe points:

probe::tty.init

probe::tty.init — Called when a tty is being initalized

Synopsis

tty.init

Values

module the module name

name the driver .dev_name name

driver_name the driver name

probe::tty.ioctl

probe::tty.ioctl — called when a ioctl is request to the tty

Synopsis

tty.ioctl

Values

cmd the ioctl command

arg the ioctl argument

name the file name

probe::tty.open

probe::tty.open — Called when a tty is opened

Synopsis

tty.open

Values

 $inode_number \hspace{1.5cm} the \ inode \ number \\$

file_mode the file mode

inode_flags the inode flags

file_flags the file flags

file_name the file name

inode_state the inode state

probe::tty.poll

probe::tty.poll — Called when a tty device is being polled

Synopsis

tty.poll

Values

wait_key the wait queue key

file_name the tty file name

probe::tty.read

probe::tty.read — called when a tty line will be read

Synopsis

tty.read

Values

nr The amount of characters to be read

driver_name the driver name

file_name the file name lreated to the tty

buffer that will receive the characters

probe::tty.receive

probe::tty.receive — called when a tty receives a message

Synopsis

tty.receive

Values

cp the buffer that was received

count The amount of characters received

driver_name the driver name

fp The flag buffer

name the name of the module file

id the tty id

index The tty Index

probe::tty.register

probe::tty.register — Called when a tty device is registred

Synopsis

tty.register

Values

module the module name

index the tty index requested

name the driver .dev_name name

driver_name the driver name

probe::tty.release

probe::tty.release — Called when the tty is closed

Synopsis

tty.release

Values

inode_flags the inode flags

file_mode the file mode

inode_number the inode number

file_flags the file flags

inode_state the inode state

file_name the file name

probe::tty.resize

probe::tty.resize — Called when a terminal resize happens

Synopsis

tty.resize

Values

old_row the old row value

old_ypixel the old ypixel

name the tty name

new_xpixe1 the new xpixel value

old_xpixel the old xpixel

new_row the new row value

new_ypixe1 the new ypixel value

old_col the old col value

new_col the new col value

probe::tty.unregister

probe::tty.unregister — Called when a tty device is being unregistered

Synopsis

tty.unregister

Values

name the driver .dev_name name

index the tty index requested

module the module name

driver_name the driver name

probe::tty.write

probe::tty.write — write to the tty line

Synopsis

tty.write

Values

buffer that will be written

file_name the file name lreated to the tty

nr The amount of characters

driver_name the driver name

Chapter 12. Interrupt Request (IRQ) Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe interrupt request (IRQ) activities. It contains the following probe points:

probe::irq_handler.entry

probe::irq_handler.entry — Execution of interrupt handler starting

Synopsis

irq_handler.entry

Values

thread pointer for threaded interrupts

thread_fn interrupt handler function for threaded interrupts

thread_flags Flags related to thread

handler interrupt handler function

flags Flags for IRQ handler

dev_id Cookie to identify device

next_irqaction pointer to next irqaction for shared interrupts

flags_str symbolic string representation of IRQ flags

dev_name name of device

irq irq number

action struct irgaction* for this interrupt num

dir pointer to the proc/irq/NN/name entry

probe::irq_handler.exit

probe::irq_handler.exit — Execution of interrupt handler completed

Synopsis

irq_handler.exit

Values

return value of the handler

action struct irgaction*

dir pointer to the proc/irq/NN/name entry

dev_name name of device

irq interrupt number

flags_str symbolic string representation of IRQ flags

next_irqaction pointer to next irqaction for shared interrupts

dev_id Cookie to identify device

flags for IRQ handler

handler interrupt handler function that was executed

thread_flags Flags related to thread

thread pointer for threaded interrupts

thread_fn interrupt handler function for threaded interrupts

probe::softirq.entry

probe::softirq.entry — Execution of handler for a pending softirq starting

Synopsis

softirq.entry

Values

vec_nr softirq vector number

vec softirq_action vector

action pointer to softirq handler just about to execute

h struct softirq_action* for current pending softirq

probe::softirq.exit

probe::softirq.exit — Execution of handler for a pending softirq completed

Synopsis

softirq.exit

Values

vec_nr softirq vector number

vec softirq_action vector

action pointer to softirq handler that just finished execution

h struct softirq_action* for just executed softirq

probe::workqueue.create

probe::workqueue.create — Creating a new workqueue

Synopsis

workqueue.create

Values

cpu cpu for which the worker thread is created

wq_thread task_struct of the workqueue thread

probe::workqueue.destroy

probe::workqueue.destroy — Destroying workqueue

Synopsis

workqueue.destroy

Values

wq_thread

task_struct of the workqueue thread

probe::workqueue.execute

probe::workqueue.execute — Executing deferred work

Synopsis

workqueue.execute

Values

work_func pointer to handler function

work work_struct* being executed

wq_thread task_struct of the workqueue thread

probe::workqueue.insert

probe::workqueue.insert — Queuing work on a workqueue

Synopsis

workqueue.insert

Values

work work_struct* being queued

work_func pointer to handler function

wq_thread task_struct of the workqueue thread

Chapter 13. Networking Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe the activities of the network device and protocol layers.

function::format_ipaddr

function::format_ipaddr — Returns a string representation for an IP address

Synopsis

format_ipaddr:string(addr:long,family:long)

Arguments

addr the IP address

family the IP address family (either AF_INET or AF_INET6)

function::htonl

function::htonl — Convert 32-bit long from host to network order

Synopsis

htonl:long(x:long)

Arguments

function::htonll

function::htonll — Convert 64-bit long long from host to network order

Synopsis

htonll:long(x:long)

Arguments

function::htons

function::htons — Convert 16-bit short from host to network order

Synopsis

htons:long(x:long)

Arguments

function::ip_ntop

function::ip_ntop — Returns a string representation for an IPv4 address

Synopsis

ip_ntop:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the IPv4 address represented as an integer

function::ntohl

function::ntohl — Convert 32-bit long from network to host order

Synopsis

ntohl:long(x:long)

Arguments

function::ntohll

function::ntohll — Convert 64-bit long long from network to host order

Synopsis

ntohll:long(x:long)

Arguments

x Value to convert

function::ntohs

function::ntohs — Convert 16-bit short from network to host order

Synopsis

ntohs:long(x:long)

Arguments

x Value to convert

probe::netdev.change_mac

probe::netdev.change_mac — Called when the netdev_name has the MAC changed

Synopsis

netdev.change_mac

Values

new_mac The new MAC address

old_mac The current MAC address

dev_name The device that will have the MAC changed

mac_len The MAC length

probe::netdev.change_mtu

probe::netdev.change_mtu — Called when the netdev MTU is changed

Synopsis

netdev.change_mtu

Values

dev_name The device that will have the MTU changed

new_mtu The new MTU

old_mtu The current MTU

probe::netdev.change_rx_flag

 $probe::netdev.change_rx_flag --- Called \ when \ the \ device \ RX \ flag \ will \ be \ changed$

Synopsis

netdev.change_rx_flag

Values

dev_name The device that will be changed

flags The new flags

probe::netdev.close

probe::netdev.close — Called when the device is closed

Synopsis

netdev.close

Values

dev_name The device that is going to be closed

probe::netdev.get_stats

probe::netdev.get_stats — Called when someone asks the device statistics

Synopsis

netdev.get_stats

Values

dev_name The device that is going to provide the statistics

probe::netdev.hard_transmit

probe::netdev.hard_transmit — Called when the devices is going to TX (hard)

Synopsis

netdev.hard_transmit

Values

length The length of the transmit buffer.

protocol The protocol used in the transmission

dev_name The device scheduled to transmit

truesize The size of the data to be transmitted.

probe::netdev.ioctl

probe::netdev.ioctl — Called when the device suffers an IOCTL

Synopsis

netdev.ioctl

Values

arg The IOCTL argument (usually the netdev interface)

cmd The IOCTL request

probe::netdev.open

probe::netdev.open — Called when the device is opened

Synopsis

netdev.open

Values

dev_name The device that is going to be opened

probe::netdev.receive

probe::netdev.receive — Data received from network device.

Synopsis

netdev.receive

Values

length The length of the receiving buffer.

dev_name The name of the device. e.g: eth0, ath1.

protocol Protocol of received packet.

probe::netdev.register

probe::netdev.register — Called when the device is registered

Synopsis

netdev.register

Values

dev_name The device that is going to be registered

probe::netdev.rx

probe::netdev.rx — Called when the device is going to receive a packet

Synopsis

netdev.rx

Values

dev_name The device received the packet

protocol
The packet protocol

probe::netdev.set_promiscuity

probe::netdev.set_promiscuity — Called when the device enters/leaves promiscuity

Synopsis

netdev.set_promiscuity

Values

disable If the device is leaving promiscuity mode

dev_name The device that is entering/leaving promiscuity mode

inc Count the number of promiscuity openers

enable If the device is entering promiscuity mode

probe::netdev.transmit

probe::netdev.transmit — Network device transmitting buffer

Synopsis

netdev.transmit

Values

protocol The protocol of this packet(defined in include/linux/if_ether.h).

dev_name The name of the device. e.g: eth0, ath1.

truesize The size of the data to be transmitted.

length The length of the transmit buffer.

probe::netdev.unregister

probe::netdev.unregister — Called when the device is being unregistered

Synopsis

netdev.unregister

Values

dev_name The device that is going to be unregistered

probe::netfilter.arp.forward

probe::netfilter.arp.forward — - Called for each ARP packet to be forwarded

Synopsis

ar_sha

netfilter.arp.forward

Values

Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): source IP address ar_sip Protocol family -- always "arp" pf indev name Name of network device packet was received on (if known) ar_data Address of ARP packet data region (after the header) Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): target IP address ar_tip Format of protocol address ar_pro Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown indev Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict nf stolen outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict nf_accept length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict nf queue Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict nf repeat Length of hardware address ar_hln ar_hrd Format of hardware address ar_op ARP opcode (command) data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known) A string representing the packet buffer contents data_str arphdr Address of ARP header Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): target hardware (MAC) address ar_tha Length of protocol address ar_pln Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): source hardware (MAC) address

nf_drop	Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

probe::netfilter.arp.in

probe::netfilter.arp.in — - Called for each incoming ARP packet

Synopsis

netfilter.arp.in

Values

Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown outdev nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict ar_tip Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): target IP address Format of protocol address ar_pro nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): source IP address ar_sip рf Protocol family -- always "arp" indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known) ar_data Address of ARP packet data region (after the header) ar_pln Length of protocol address ar_sha Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): source hardware (MAC) address Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict nf drop data hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known) outdev_name data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents arphdr Address of ARP header ar_tha Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): target hardware (MAC) address Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict nf_queue nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict ar_hln Length of hardware address ARP opcode (command) ar_op ar_hrd Format of hardware address Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict nf_accept

length

The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

probe::netfilter.arp.out

probe::netfilter.arp.out — - Called for each outgoing ARP packet

Synopsis

netfilter.arp.out

Values

ar_plnLength of protocol addressnf_dropConstant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

ar_sha Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): source hardware (MAC) address

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

ar_tha Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): target hardware (MAC) address

arphdr Address of ARP header

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

ar_op ARP opcode (command)

ar_hrd Format of hardware address

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

ar_hln Length of hardware address

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

ar_pro Format of protocol address

ar_tip Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): target IP address

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

ar_sip Ethernet+IP only (ar_pro==0x800): source IP address

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

ar_data Address of ARP packet data region (after the header)

pf

Protocol family -- always "arp"

probe::netfilter.bridge.forward

probe::netfilter.bridge.forward — Called on an incoming bridging packet destined for some other computer

Synopsis

netfilter.bridge.forward

Values

br_flags BPDU flags

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

brhdr Address of bridge header

br_bid Identity of bridge

protocol Packet protocol

br_vid Protocol version identifier

11cproto_stp Constant used to signify Bridge Spanning Tree Protocol packet

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

br_type BPDU type

br_prid Protocol identifier

pf Protocol family -- always "bridge"

br_htime Hello time in 1/256 secs

br_cost Total cost from transmitting bridge to root

br_poid Port identifier

br_max Max age in 1/256 secs

nf_drop Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

br_msg Message age in 1/256 secs

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

br_rmac Root bridge MAC address

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

br_rid Identity of root bridge

br_mac Bridge MAC address

11cpdu Address of LLC Protocol Data Unit

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

br_fd Forward delay in 1/256 secs

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

probe::netfilter.bridge.local_in

probe::netfilter.bridge.local_in — Called on a bridging packet destined for the local computer

Synopsis

netfilter.bridge.local_in

Values

br_rmac Root bridge MAC address

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

br_rid Identity of root bridge

nf_drop Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

br_max Max age in 1/256 secs

br_msg Message age in 1/256 secs

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

11cpdu Address of LLC Protocol Data Unit

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

br_mac Bridge MAC address

br_fd Forward delay in 1/256 secs

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

br_bid Identity of bridge

protocol Packet protocol

11cproto_stp Constant used to signify Bridge Spanning Tree Protocol packet

br_vid Protocol version identifier

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

br_flags BPDU flags

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

brhdr Address of bridge header

br_prid Protocol identifier

pf Protocol family -- always "bridge"

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

br_type BPDU type

br_htime Hello time in 1/256 secs

br_cost Total cost from transmitting bridge to root

br_poid Port identifier

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

probe::netfilter.bridge.local_out

probe::netfilter.bridge.local_out — Called on a bridging packet coming from a local process

Synopsis

netfilter.bridge.local_out

Values

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

br_flags BPDU flags

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

brhdr Address of bridge header

br_bid Identity of bridge

protocol Packet protocol

11cproto_stp Constant used to signify Bridge Spanning Tree Protocol packet

br_vid Protocol version identifier

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

pf Protocol family -- always "bridge"

br_prid Protocol identifier

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

br_type BPDU type

br_htime Hello time in 1/256 secs

br_poid Port identifier

br_cost Total cost from transmitting bridge to root

nf_drop Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

br_max Max age in 1/256 secs

br_msg Message age in 1/256 secs

br_rmac Root bridge MAC address

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

br_rid Identity of root bridge

11cpdu Address of LLC Protocol Data Unit

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

br_mac Bridge MAC address

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

br_fd Forward delay in 1/256 secs

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

probe::netfilter.bridge.post_routing

probe::netfilter.bridge.post_routing — - Called before a bridging packet hits the wire

Synopsis

netfilter.bridge.post routing

Values

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

br_poid Port identifier

br_cost Total cost from transmitting bridge to root

br_htime Hello time in 1/256 secs

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

br_type BPDU type

br_prid Protocol identifier

pf Protocol family -- always "bridge"

brhdr Address of bridge header

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

br_flags BPDU flags

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

11cproto_stp Constant used to signify Bridge Spanning Tree Protocol packet

br_vid Protocol version identifier

protocol Packet protocol

br_bid Identity of bridge

br_fd Forward delay in 1/256 secs

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

br_mac Bridge MAC address

11cpdu Address of LLC Protocol Data Unit

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

br_msg Message age in 1/256 secs

br_max Max age in 1/256 secs

nf_drop Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

br_rid Identity of root bridge

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

br_rmac Root bridge MAC address

probe::netfilter.bridge.pre_routing

probe::netfilter.bridge.pre_routing — - Called before a bridging packet is routed

Synopsis

netfilter.bridge.pre_routing

Values

br_htime Hello time in 1/256 secs

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

br_type BPDU type

pf Protocol family -- always "bridge"

br_prid Protocol identifier

br_cost Total cost from transmitting bridge to root

br_poid Port identifier

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

protocol Packet protocol

br_bid Identity of bridge

11cproto_stp Constant used to signify Bridge Spanning Tree Protocol packet

br_vid Protocol version identifier

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

br_flags BPDU flags

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

brhar Address of bridge header

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

br_mac Bridge MAC address

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

11cpdu Address of LLC Protocol Data Unit

br_fd Forward delay in 1/256 secs

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

br_rmac Root bridge MAC address

br_rid Identity of root bridge

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

br_max Max age in 1/256 secs

nf_drop Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

br_msg Message age in 1/256 secs

probe::netfilter.ip.forward

probe::netfilter.ip.forward — Called on an incoming IP packet addressed to some other computer

Synopsis

netfilter.ip.forward

Values

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

urg TCP URG flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

syn TCP SYN flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

saddr A string representing the source IP address

fin TCP FIN flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

protocol Packet protocol from driver (ipv4 only)

ipproto_tcp Constant used to signify that the packet protocol is TCP

psh TCP PSH flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

ack TCP ACK flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

dport TCP or UDP destination port (ipv4 only)

family IP address family

pf Protocol family -- either "ipv4" or "ipv6"

ipproto_udp Constant used to signify that the packet protocol is UDP

rst TCP RST flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

nf_drop Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

daddr A string representing the destination IP address

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

sport TCP or UDP source port (ipv4 only)

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

iphdr Address of IP header

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

probe::netfilter.ip.local_in

probe::netfilter.ip.local_in — Called on an incoming IP packet addressed to the local computer

Synopsis

netfilter.ip.local in

Values

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

ipproto_udp Constant used to signify that the packet protocol is UDP

pf Protocol family -- either "ipv4" or "ipv6"

family IP address family

dport TCP or UDP destination port (ipv4 only)

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

urg TCP URG flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

saddr A string representing the source IP address

syn TCP SYN flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

protocol Packet protocol from driver (ipv4 only)

fin TCP FIN flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

ack TCP ACK flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

ipproto_tcp Constant used to signify that the packet protocol is TCP

psh TCP PSH flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

sport TCP or UDP source port (ipv4 only)

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

iphdr Address of IP header

nf_drop Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

rst TCP RST flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

daddr A string representing the destination IP address

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

probe::netfilter.ip.local_out

probe::netfilter.ip.local_out — Called on an outgoing IP packet

Synopsis

netfilter.ip.local_out

Values

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

sport TCP or UDP source port (ipv4 only)

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

iphar Address of IP header

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

nf_drop Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

rst TCP RST flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

daddr A string representing the destination IP address

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

ipproto_udp Constant used to signify that the packet protocol is UDP

pf Protocol family -- either "ipv4" or "ipv6"

family IP address family

dport TCP or UDP destination port (ipv4 only)

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

saddr A string representing the source IP address

syn TCP SYN flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

urg TCP URG flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

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ack TCP ACK flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

ipproto_tcp Constant used to signify that the packet protocol is TCP

psh TCP PSH flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

protocol Packet protocol from driver (ipv4 only)

fin TCP FIN flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

probe::netfilter.ip.post_routing

probe::netfilter.ip.post_routing — Called immediately before an outgoing IP packet leaves the computer

Synopsis

netfilter.ip.post routing

Values

iphdr Address of IP header

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

sport TCP or UDP source port (ipv4 only)

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

daddr A string representing the destination IP address

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

nf_drop Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

rst TCP RST flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

pf Protocol family -- either "ipv4" or "ipv6"

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

dport TCP or UDP destination port (ipv4 only)

family IP address family

ipproto_udp Constant used to signify that the packet protocol is UDP

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

ipproto_tcp Constant used to signify that the packet protocol is TCP

psh TCP PSH flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

ack TCP ACK flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

fin TCP FIN flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

protocol Packet protocol from driver (ipv4 only)

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syn TCP SYN flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

saddr A string representing the source IP address

urg TCP URG flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

probe::netfilter.ip.pre_routing

probe::netfilter.ip.pre_routing — Called before an IP packet is routed

Synopsis

netfilter.ip.pre routing

Values

ipproto_udp Constant used to signify that the packet protocol is UDP

pf Protocol family - either 'ipv4' or 'ipv6'

dport TCP or UDP destination port (ipv4 only)

family IP address family

indev_name Name of network device packet was received on (if known)

nf_stolen Constant used to signify a 'stolen' verdict

indev Address of net_device representing input device, 0 if unknown

protocol Packet protocol from driver (ipv4 only)

fin TCP FIN flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

ack TCP ACK flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

psh TCP PSH flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

ipproto_tcp Constant used to signify that the packet protocol is TCP

nf_stop Constant used to signify a 'stop' verdict

urg TCP URG flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

outdev Address of net_device representing output device, 0 if unknown

saddr A string representing the source IP address

syn TCP SYN flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

length The length of the packet buffer contents, in bytes

nf_accept Constant used to signify an 'accept' verdict

iphdr Address of IP header

sport TCP or UDP source port (ipv4 only)

nf_repeat Constant used to signify a 'repeat' verdict

nf_queue Constant used to signify a 'queue' verdict

data_str A string representing the packet buffer contents

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daddr A string representing the destination IP address

outdev_name Name of network device packet will be routed to (if known)

data_hex A hexadecimal string representing the packet buffer contents

nf_drop Constant used to signify a 'drop' verdict

rst TCP RST flag (if protocol is TCP; ipv4 only)

probe::sunrpc.clnt.bind_new_program

probe::sunrpc.clnt.bind_new_program — Bind a new RPC program to an existing client

Synopsis

sunrpc.clnt.bind_new_program

Values

old_vers the version of old RPC program

old_prog the number of old RPC program

vers the version of new RPC program

old_progname the name of old RPC program

servername the server machine name

progname the name of new RPC program

prog the number of new RPC program

probe::sunrpc.clnt.call_async

probe::sunrpc.clnt.call_async — Make an asynchronous RPC call

Synopsis

sunrpc.clnt.call_async

Values

port the port number

xid current transmission id

servername the server machine name

progname the RPC program name

flags flags

prog the RPC program number

dead whether this client is abandoned

vers the RPC program version number

proc the procedure number in this RPC call

procname the procedure name in this RPC call

prot the IP protocol number

probe::sunrpc.clnt.call_sync

probe::sunrpc.clnt.call_sync — Make a synchronous RPC call

Synopsis

sunrpc.clnt.call_sync

Values

progname the RPC program name

flags flags

prog the RPC program number

dead whether this client is abandoned

servername the server machine name

prot the IP protocol number

vers the RPC program version number

proc the procedure number in this RPC call

procname the procedure name in this RPC call

xid current transmission id

port the port number

probe::sunrpc.clnt.clone_client

probe::sunrpc.clnt.clone_client — Clone an RPC client structure

Synopsis

sunrpc.clnt.clone_client

Values

progname the RPC program name

prog the RPC program number

port the port number

servername the server machine name

prot the IP protocol number

vers the RPC program version number

authflavor the authentication flavor

probe::sunrpc.clnt.create_client

probe::sunrpc.clnt.create_client — Create an RPC client

Synopsis

sunrpc.clnt.create_client

Values

prog the RPC program number

progname the RPC program name

servername the server machine name

port the port number

prot the IP protocol number

authflavor the authentication flavor

vers the RPC program version number

probe::sunrpc.clnt.restart_call

probe::sunrpc.clnt.restart_call — Restart an asynchronous RPC call

Synopsis

sunrpc.clnt.restart_call

Values

tk_runstate the task run status

tk_flags the task flags

xid the transmission id

tk_priority the task priority

tk_pid the debugging aid of task

prog the RPC program number

servername the server machine name

probe::sunrpc.clnt.shutdown_client

probe::sunrpc.clnt.shutdown_client — Shutdown an RPC client

Synopsis

sunrpc.clnt.shutdown_client

Values

prot the IP protocol number

om_execute the RPC execution jiffies

om_ops the count of operations

vers the RPC program version number

om_queue the jiffies queued for xmit

om_bytes_sent the count of bytes out

prog the RPC program number

progname the RPC program name

servername the server machine name

tasks the number of references

om_bytes_recv the count of bytes in

netreconn the count of reconnections

authflavor the authentication flavor

rpccnt the count of RPC calls

om_rtt the RPC RTT jiffies

om_ntrans the count of RPC transmissions

port the port number

clones the number of clones

probe::sunrpc.sched.delay

probe::sunrpc.sched.delay — Delay an RPC task

Synopsis

sunrpc.sched.delay

Values

prog the program number in the RPC call

 tk_pid the debugging id of the task

prot the IP protocol in the RPC call

vers the program version in the RPC call

xid the transmission id in the RPC call

tk_flags the flags of the task

delay the time delayed

probe::sunrpc.sched.execute

probe::sunrpc.sched.execute — Execute the RPC `scheduler'

Synopsis

sunrpc.sched.execute

Values

prog the program number in the RPC call

 tk_pid the debugging id of the task

prot the IP protocol in the RPC call

vers the program version in the RPC call

xid the transmission id in the RPC call

tk_flags the flags of the task

probe::sunrpc.sched.new_task

probe::sunrpc.sched.new_task — Create new task for the specified client

Synopsis

sunrpc.sched.new_task

Values

xid the transmission id in the RPC call

 tk_flags the flags of the task

prog the program number in the RPC call

prot the IP protocol in the RPC call

vers the program version in the RPC call

probe::sunrpc.sched.release_task

probe::sunrpc.sched.release_task — Release all resources associated with a task

Synopsis

sunrpc.sched.release_task

Values

 tk_flags the flags of the task

xid the transmission id in the RPC call

prog the program number in the RPC call

vers the program version in the RPC call

prot the IP protocol in the RPC call

Description

rpc_release_task function might not be found for a particular kernel. So, if we can't find it, just return '-1' for everything.

probe::sunrpc.svc.create

probe::sunrpc.svc.create — Create an RPC service

Synopsis

sunrpc.svc.create

Values

pg_nvers the number of supported versions

bufsize the buffer size

prog the number of the program

progname the name of the program

probe::sunrpc.svc.destroy

probe::sunrpc.svc.destroy — Destroy an RPC service

Synopsis

sunrpc.svc.destroy

Values

rpcbadfmt the count of requests dropped for bad formats

nettcpconn the count of accepted TCP connections

rpccnt the count of valid RPC requests

sv_nrthreads the number of concurrent threads

sv_prog the number of the program

rpcbadauth the count of requests drooped for authentication failure

sv_progname the name of the program

sv_name the service name

netcnt the count of received RPC requests

probe::sunrpc.svc.drop

probe::sunrpc.svc.drop — Drop RPC request

Synopsis

sunrpc.svc.drop

Values

sv_name	the service name
rq_proc	the procedure number in the request
peer_ip	the peer address where the request is from
rq_vers	the program version in the request
rq_prog	the program number in the request
rq_prot	the IP protocol of the requist
rq_xid	the transmission id in the request

probe::sunrpc.svc.process

 $probe::sunrpc.svc.process \\ --- Process \\ an RPC \\ request$

Synopsis

sunrpc.svc.process

Values

sv_name	the service name
rq_proc	the procedure number in the request
sv_nrthreads	the number of concurrent threads
sv_prog	the number of the program
peer_ip	the peer address where the request is from
rq_prog	the program number in the request
rq_vers	the program version in the request
rq_prot	the IP protocol of the requist
rq_xid	the transmission id in the request

probe::sunrpc.svc.recv

 $probe::sunrpc.svc.recv -- Listen \ for \ the \ next \ RPC \ request \ on \ any \ socket$

Synopsis

sunrpc.svc.recv

Values

timeout the timeout of waiting for data

sv_name the service name

sv_nrthreads the number of concurrent threads

 sv_prog the number of the program

probe::sunrpc.svc.register

probe::sunrpc.svc.register — Register an RPC service with the local portmapper

Synopsis

sunrpc.svc.register

Values

sv_name the service name

port the port number

 $\textit{prot} \hspace{1cm} \text{the IP protocol number} \\$

progname the name of the program

prog the number of the program

Description

If proto and port are both 0, then unregister a service.

probe::sunrpc.svc.send

probe::sunrpc.svc.send — Return reply to RPC client

Synopsis

sunrpc.svc.send

Values

peer_1p	the peer address where the request is from
rq_proc	the procedure number in the request
sv_name	the service name
rq_xid	the transmission id in the request
rq_prot	the IP protocol of the requist
rq_vers	the program version in the request
rq_prog	the program number in the request

probe::tcp.disconnect

probe::tcp.disconnect — TCP socket disconnection

Synopsis

tcp.disconnect

Values

TCP flags (e.g. FIN, etc) flags sock Network socket Name of this probe name A string representing the destination IP address daddr TCP source port sport family IP address family saddr A string representing the source IP address dport TCP destination port

Context

The process which disconnects tcp

probe::tcp.disconnect.return

probe::tcp.disconnect.return — TCP socket disconnection complete

Synopsis

tcp.disconnect.return

Values

ret Error code (0: no error)

name Name of this probe

Context

The process which disconnects tcp

probe::tcp.receive

probe::tcp.receive — Called when a TCP packet is received

Synopsis

tcp.receive

Values

protocol Packet protocol from driver

psh TCP PSH flag

family IP address family

dport TCP destination port

name Name of the probe point

sport TCP source port

syn TCP SYN flag

iphdr IP header address

fin TCP FIN flag

ack TCP ACK flag

saddr A string representing the source IP address

daddr A string representing the destination IP address

urg TCP URG flag

rst TCP RST flag

probe::tcp.recvmsg

probe::tcp.recvmsg — Receiving TCP message

Synopsis

tcp.recvmsg

Values

sportTCP source portdaddrA string representing the destination IP addressnameName of this probesizeNumber of bytes to be receiveddportTCP destination portsaddrA string representing the source IP addressfamilyIP address family

Context

sock

The process which receives a tcp message

Network socket

probe::tcp.recvmsg.return

probe::tcp.recvmsg.return — Receiving TCP message complete

Synopsis

tcp.recvmsg.return

Values

dportTCP destination portsaddrA string representing the source IP addressfamilyIP address familysportTCP source portdaddrA string representing the destination IP addressnameName of this probesizeNumber of bytes received or error code if an error occurred.

Context

The process which receives a tcp message

probe::tcp.sendmsg

probe::tcp.sendmsg — Sending a tcp message

Synopsis

tcp.sendmsg

Values

family IP address family

name Name of this probe

size Number of bytes to send

sock Network socket

Context

The process which sends a tcp message

probe::tcp.sendmsg.return

probe::tcp.sendmsg.return — Sending TCP message is done

Synopsis

tcp.sendmsg.return

Values

size Number of bytes sent or error code if an error occurred.

name Name of this probe

Context

The process which sends a tcp message

probe::tcp.setsockopt

probe::tcp.setsockopt — Call to setsockopt

Synopsis

tcp.setsockopt

Values

nameName of this probefamilyIP address familyoptstrResolves optname to a human-readable formatsockNetwork socketoptlenUsed to access values for setsockoptoptnameTCP socket options (e.g. TCP_NODELAY, TCP_MAXSEG, etc)levelThe level at which the socket options will be manipulated

Context

The process which calls setsockopt

probe::tcp.setsockopt.return

 $probe:: tcp.setsockopt.return \\ --- Return \\ from \\ \verb|setsockopt|$

Synopsis

tcp.setsockopt.return

Values

name Name of this probe

ret Error code (0: no error)

Context

The process which calls setsockopt

probe::udp.disconnect

probe::udp.disconnect — Fires when a process requests for a UDP disconnection

Synopsis

udp.disconnect

Values

UDP destination port dport The name of this probe name Network socket used by the process sockfamily IP address family saddr A string representing the source IP address UDP source port sport daddr A string representing the destination IP address flags Flags (e.g. FIN, etc)

Context

The process which requests a UDP disconnection

probe::udp.disconnect.return

probe::udp.disconnect.return — UDP has been disconnected successfully

Synopsis

udp.disconnect.return

Values

sport UDP source port

daddr A string representing the destination IP address

ret Error code (0: no error)

name The name of this probe

dport UDP destination port

saddr A string representing the source IP address

family IP address family

Context

The process which requested a UDP disconnection

probe::udp.recvmsg

probe::udp.recvmsg — Fires whenever a UDP message is received

Synopsis

udp.recvmsg

Values

daddrA string representing the destination IP addresssportUDP source portsaddrA string representing the source IP addresssizeNumber of bytes received by the processfamilyIP address familydportUDP destination portnameThe name of this probe

Network socket used by the process

Context

sock

The process which received a UDP message

probe::udp.recvmsg.return

probe::udp.recvmsg.return — Fires whenever an attempt to receive a UDP message received is completed

Synopsis

udp.recvmsg.return

Values

nameThe name of this probedportUDP destination portfamilyIP address familysaddrA string representing the source IP addresssizeNumber of bytes received by the processsportUDP source portdaddrA string representing the destination IP address

Context

The process which received a UDP message

probe::udp.sendmsg

probe::udp.sendmsg — Fires whenever a process sends a UDP message

Synopsis

udp.sendmsg

Values

UDP destination port dport Network socket used by the process sockThe name of this probe name A string representing the source IP address saddr size Number of bytes sent by the process family IP address family sport UDP source port daddr A string representing the destination IP address

Context

The process which sent a UDP message

probe::udp.sendmsg.return

probe::udp.sendmsg.return — Fires whenever an attempt to send a UDP message is completed

Synopsis

udp.sendmsg.return

Values

name The name of this probe

size Number of bytes sent by the process

Context

The process which sent a UDP message

Chapter 14. Socket Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe socket activities. It contains the following probe points:

function::inet_get_ip_source

function::inet_get_ip_source — Provide IP source address string for a kernel socket

Synopsis

inet_get_ip_source:string(sock:long)

Arguments

sock pointer to the kernel socket

function::inet_get_local_port

function::inet_get_local_port — Provide local port number for a kernel socket

Synopsis

inet_get_local_port:long(sock:long)

Arguments

sock pointer to the kernel socket

function::sock_fam_num2str

function::sock_fam_num2str — Given a protocol family number, return a string representation

Synopsis

sock_fam_num2str:string(family:long)

Arguments

family The family number

function::sock_fam_str2num

function::sock_fam_str2num — Given a protocol family name (string), return the corresponding protocol family number

Synopsis

sock_fam_str2num:long(family:string)

Arguments

family The family name

function::sock_prot_num2str

function::sock_prot_num2str — Given a protocol number, return a string representation

Synopsis

sock_prot_num2str:string(proto:long)

Arguments

proto The protocol number

function::sock_prot_str2num

function::sock_prot_str2num — Given a protocol name (string), return the corresponding protocol number

Synopsis

sock_prot_str2num:long(proto:string)

Arguments

proto The protocol name

function::sock_state_num2str

function::sock_state_num2str — Given a socket state number, return a string representation

Synopsis

sock_state_num2str:string(state:long)

Arguments

state The state number

function::sock_state_str2num

function::sock_state_str2num — Given a socket state string, return the corresponding state number

Synopsis

sock_state_str2num:long(state:string)

Arguments

state The state name

probe::socket.aio_read

probe::socket.aio_read — Receiving message via sock_aio_read

Synopsis

socket.aio_read

Values

familyProtocol family valuenameName of this probeflagsSocket flags valuetypeSocket type valuesizeMessage size in bytesstateSocket state value

protocol Protocol value

Context

The message sender

Description

Fires at the beginning of receiving a message on a socket via the sock_aio_read function

probe::socket.aio_read.return

probe::socket.aio_read.return — Conclusion of message received via sock_aio_read

Synopsis

socket.aio_read.return

Values

type Socket type value

size Size of message received (in bytes) or error code if success = 0

state Socket state value

success Was receive successful? (1 = yes, 0 = no)

protocol Protocol value

name Name of this probe

family Protocol family value

flags Socket flags value

Context

The message receiver.

Description

Fires at the conclusion of receiving a message on a socket via the sock_aio_read function

probe::socket.aio_write

probe::socket.aio_write — Message send via sock_aio_write

Synopsis

socket.aio_write

Values

type Socket type value

size Message size in bytes

state Socket state value

protocol Protocol value

family Protocol family value

name Name of this probe

flags Socket flags value

Context

The message sender

Description

Fires at the beginning of sending a message on a socket via the <code>sock_aio_write</code> function

probe::socket.aio_write.return

probe::socket.aio_write.return — Conclusion of message send via sock_aio_write

Synopsis

socket.aio_write.return

Values

protocol	Protocol value
success	Was receive successful? $(1 = yes, 0 = no)$
state	Socket state value
size	Size of message received (in bytes) or error code if success = 0
type	Socket type value
flags	Socket flags value
name	Name of this probe
family	Protocol family value

Context

The message receiver.

Description

Fires at the conclusion of sending a message on a socket via the sock_aio_write function

probe::socket.close

probe::socket.close — Close a socket

Synopsis

socket.close

Values

state Socket state value

protocol Protocol value

type Socket type value

flags Socket flags value

family Protocol family value

name Name of this probe

Context

The requester (user process or kernel)

Description

Fires at the beginning of closing a socket.

probe::socket.close.return

probe::socket.close.return — Return from closing a socket

Synopsis

socket.close.return

Values

name Name of this probe

Context

The requester (user process or kernel)

Description

Fires at the conclusion of closing a socket.

probe::socket.create

probe::socket.create — Creation of a socket

Synopsis

socket.create

Values

type Socket type value

requester Requested by user process or the kernel (1 = kernel, 0 = user)

protocol Protocol value

name Name of this probe

family Protocol family value

Context

The requester (see requester variable)

Description

Fires at the beginning of creating a socket.

probe::socket.create.return

probe::socket.create.return — Return from Creation of a socket

Synopsis

socket.create.return

Values

family Protocol family value

name Name of this probe

err Error code if success == 0

requester Requested by user process or the kernel (1 = kernel, 0 = user)

type Socket type value

success Was socket creation successful? (1 = yes, 0 = no)

protocol Protocol value

Context

The requester (user process or kernel)

Description

Fires at the conclusion of creating a socket.

probe::socket.read_iter

probe::socket.read_iter — Receiving message via sock_read_iter

Synopsis

socket.read_iter

Values

flags Socket flags value

name Name of this probe

family Protocol family value

protocol Protocol value

state Socket state value

size Message size in bytes

type Socket type value

Context

The message sender

Description

Fires at the beginning of receiving a message on a socket via the sock_read_iter function

probe::socket.read_iter.return

probe::socket.read_iter.return — Conclusion of message received via sock_read_iter

Synopsis

socket.read_iter.return

Values

flags Socket flags value

family Protocol family value

name Name of this probe

protocol Protocol value

success Was receive successful? (1 = yes, 0 = no)

state Socket state value

type Socket type value

size Size of message received (in bytes) or error code if success = 0

Context

The message receiver.

Description

Fires at the conclusion of receiving a message on a socket via the sock_read_iter function

probe::socket.readv

probe::socket.readv — Receiving a message via sock_readv

Synopsis

socket.readv

Values

type Socket type value

size Message size in bytes

state Socket state value

protocol Protocol value

family Protocol family value

name Name of this probe

flags Socket flags value

Context

The message sender

Description

Fires at the beginning of receiving a message on a socket via the sock_readv function

probe::socket.readv.return

probe::socket.readv.return — Conclusion of receiving a message via sock_readv

Synopsis

socket.readv.return

Values

protocol	Protocol value
success	Was receive successful? $(1 = yes, 0 = no)$
state	Socket state value
size	Size of message received (in bytes) or error code if success = 0
type	Socket type value
flags	Socket flags value
name	Name of this probe
family	Protocol family value

Context

The message receiver.

Description

Fires at the conclusion of receiving a message on a socket via the sock_readv function

probe::socket.receive

probe::socket.receive — Message received on a socket.

Synopsis

socket.receive

Values

Protocol value protocol success Was send successful? (1 = yes, 0 = no)Socket state value state Size of message received (in bytes) or error code if success = 0size Socket type value type Socket flags value flags family Protocol family value Name of this probe name

Context

The message receiver

probe::socket.recvmsg

probe::socket.recvmsg — Message being received on socket

Synopsis

socket.recvmsg

Values

state Socket state value

protocol Protocol value

type Socket type value

size Message size in bytes

flags Socket flags value

family Protocol family value

name Name of this probe

Context

The message receiver.

Description

Fires at the beginning of receiving a message on a socket via the $\verb"sock_recvmsg"$ function

probe::socket.recvmsg.return

probe::socket.recvmsg.return — Return from Message being received on socket

Synopsis

socket.recvmsg.return

Values

state Socket state value

success Was receive successful? (1 = yes, 0 = no)

protocol Protocol value

size Size of message received (in bytes) or error code if success = 0

type Socket type value

flags Socket flags value

family Protocol family value

name Name of this probe

Context

The message receiver.

Description

Fires at the conclusion of receiving a message on a socket via the sock_recvmsg function.

probe::socket.send

probe::socket.send — Message sent on a socket.

Synopsis

socket.send

Values

state Socket state value

success Was send successful? (1 = yes, 0 = no)

protocol Protocol value

type Socket type value

size Size of message sent (in bytes) or error code if success = 0

flags Socket flags value

family Protocol family value

name Name of this probe

Context

The message sender

probe::socket.sendmsg

probe::socket.sendmsg — Message is currently being sent on a socket.

Synopsis

socket.sendmsg

Values

familyProtocol family valuenameName of this probeflagsSocket flags valuetypeSocket type valuesizeMessage size in bytesstateSocket state valueprotocolProtocol value

Context

The message sender

Description

Fires at the beginning of sending a message on a socket via the sock_sendmsg function

probe::socket.sendmsg.return

probe::socket.sendmsg.return — Return from socket.sendmsg.

Synopsis

socket.sendmsg.return

Values

flags Socket flags value

family Protocol family value

name Name of this probe

state Socket state value

success Was send successful? (1 = yes, 0 = no)

protocol Protocol value

type Socket type value

size Size of message sent (in bytes) or error code if success = 0

Context

The message sender.

Description

Fires at the conclusion of sending a message on a socket via the sock_sendmsg function

probe::socket.write_iter

probe::socket.write_iter — Message send via sock_write_iter

Synopsis

socket.write_iter

Values

flags Socket flags value

name Name of this probe

family Protocol family value

protocol Protocol value

state Socket state value

size Message size in bytes

type Socket type value

Context

The message sender

Description

Fires at the beginning of sending a message on a socket via the <code>sock_write_iter</code> function

probe::socket.write_iter.return

probe::socket.write_iter.return — Conclusion of message send via sock_write_iter

Synopsis

socket.write_iter.return

Values

Protocol value protocol Was receive successful? (1 = yes, 0 = no)success Socket state value state Size of message received (in bytes) or error code if success = 0size Socket type value type Socket flags value flags family Protocol family value Name of this probe name

Context

The message receiver.

Description

Fires at the conclusion of sending a message on a socket via the sock_write_iter function

probe::socket.writev

probe::socket.writev — Message sent via socket_writev

Synopsis

socket.writev

Values

type Socket type value

size Message size in bytes

state Socket state value

protocol Protocol value

family Protocol family value

name Name of this probe

flags Socket flags value

Context

The message sender

Description

Fires at the beginning of sending a message on a socket via the <code>sock_writev</code> function

probe::socket.writev.return

probe::socket.writev.return — Conclusion of message sent via socket_writev

Synopsis

socket.writev.return

Values

Name of this probe name family Protocol family value flags Socket flags value Size of message sent (in bytes) or error code if success = 0size Socket type value type Socket state value state success Was send successful? (1 = yes, 0 = no)Protocol value protocol

Context

The message receiver.

Description

Fires at the conclusion of sending a message on a socket via the sock_writev function

Chapter 15. SNMP Information Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe socket activities to provide SNMP type information. It contains the following functions and probe points:

function::ipmib_filter_key

function::ipmib_filter_key — Default filter function for ipmib.* probes

Synopsis

ipmib_filter_key:long(skb:long,op:long,SourceIsLocal:long)

Arguments

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff

op value to be counted if skb passes the filter

SourceIsLocal 1 is local operation and 0 is non-local operation

Description

This function is a default filter function. The user can replace this function with their own. The user-supplied filter function returns an index key based on the values in skb. A return value of 0 means this particular skb should be not be counted.

function::ipmib_get_proto

function::ipmib_get_proto — Get the protocol value

Synopsis

ipmib_get_proto:long(skb:long)

Arguments

skb pointer to a struct sk_buff

Description

Returns the protocol value from skb.

function::ipmib_local_addr

function::ipmib_local_addr — Get the local ip address

Synopsis

ipmib_local_addr:long(skb:long,SourceIsLocal:long)

Arguments

skb pointer to a struct sk_buff

SourceIsLocal flag to indicate whether local operation

Description

Returns the local ip address skb.

function::ipmib_remote_addr

function::ipmib_remote_addr — Get the remote ip address

Synopsis

ipmib_remote_addr:long(skb:long,SourceIsLocal:long)

Arguments

skb pointer to a struct sk_buff

SourceIsLocal flag to indicate whether local operation

Description

Returns the remote ip address from skb.

function::ipmib_tcp_local_port

function::ipmib_tcp_local_port — Get the local tcp port

Synopsis

ipmib_tcp_local_port:long(skb:long,SourceIsLocal:long)

Arguments

skb pointer to a struct sk_buff

SourceIsLocal flag to indicate whether local operation

Description

Returns the local tcp port from skb.

function::ipmib_tcp_remote_port

 $function::ipmib_tcp_remote_port — Get \ the \ remote \ tcp \ port$

Synopsis

ipmib_tcp_remote_port:long(skb:long,SourceIsLocal:long)

Arguments

skb pointer to a struct sk_buff

SourceIsLocal flag to indicate whether local operation

Description

Returns the remote tcp port from skb.

function::linuxmib_filter_key

function::linuxmib_filter_key — Default filter function for linuxmib.* probes

Synopsis

linuxmib_filter_key:long(sk:long,op:long)

Arguments

sk pointer to the struct sock

op value to be counted if sk passes the filter

Description

This function is a default filter function. The user can replace this function with their own. The user-supplied filter function returns an index key based on the values in sk. A return value of 0 means this particular sk should be not be counted.

function::tcpmib_filter_key

function::tcpmib_filter_key — Default filter function for tcpmib.* probes

Synopsis

tcpmib_filter_key:long(sk:long,op:long)

Arguments

sk pointer to the struct sock being acted on

op value to be counted if sk passes the filter

Description

This function is a default filter function. The user can replace this function with their own. The user-supplied filter function returns an index key based on the values in sk. A return value of 0 means this particular sk should be not be counted.

function::tcpmib_get_state

function::tcpmib_get_state — Get a socket's state

Synopsis

tcpmib_get_state:long(sk:long)

Arguments

sk pointer to a struct sock

Description

Returns the sk_state from a struct sock.

function::tcpmib_local_addr

function::tcpmib_local_addr — Get the source address

Synopsis

tcpmib_local_addr:long(sk:long)

Arguments

sk pointer to a struct inet_sock

Description

Returns the saddr from a struct inet_sock in host order.

function::tcpmib_local_port

 $function::tcpmib_local_port --- Get \ the \ local \ port$

Synopsis

tcpmib_local_port:long(sk:long)

Arguments

sk pointer to a struct inet_sock

Description

Returns the sport from a struct inet_sock in host order.

function::tcpmib_remote_addr

function::tcpmib_remote_addr — Get the remote address

Synopsis

tcpmib_remote_addr:long(sk:long)

Arguments

sk pointer to a struct inet_sock

Description

Returns the daddr from a struct inet_sock in host order.

function::tcpmib_remote_port

function::tcpmib_remote_port — Get the remote port

Synopsis

tcpmib_remote_port:long(sk:long)

Arguments

sk pointer to a struct inet_sock

Description

Returns the dport from a struct inet_sock in host order.

probe::ipmib.ForwDatagrams

probe::ipmib.ForwDatagrams — Count forwarded packet

Synopsis

ipmib.ForwDatagrams

Values

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by *skb* is filtered by the function <code>ipmib_filter_key</code>. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global *ForwDatagrams* (equivalent to SNMP's MIB IPSTATS_MIB_OUTFORWDATAGRAMS)

probe::ipmib.FragFails

probe::ipmib.FragFails — Count datagram fragmented unsuccessfully

Synopsis

ipmib.FragFails

Values

op Value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function ipmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global FragFails (equivalent to SNMP's MIB IPSTATS_MIB_FRAGFAILS)

probe::ipmib.FragOKs

probe::ipmib.FragOKs — Count datagram fragmented successfully

Synopsis

ipmib.FragOKs

Values

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function ipmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global FragOKs (equivalent to SNMP's MIB IPSTATS_MIB_FRAGOKS)

probe::ipmib.InAddrErrors

probe::ipmib.InAddrErrors — Count arriving packets with an incorrect address

Synopsis

ipmib.InAddrErrors

Values

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by *skb* is filtered by the function <code>ipmib_filter_key</code>. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global <code>InAddrErrors</code> (equivalent to SNMP's MIB <code>IPSTATS_MIB_INADDRERRORS</code>)

probe::ipmib.InDiscards

probe::ipmib.InDiscards — Count discarded inbound packets

Synopsis

ipmib.InDiscards

Values

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by *skb* is filtered by the function <code>ipmib_filter_key</code>. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global <code>InDiscards</code> (equivalent to SNMP's MIB STATS_MIB_INDISCARDS)

probe::ipmib.InNoRoutes

probe::ipmib.InNoRoutes — Count an arriving packet with no matching socket

Synopsis

ipmib.InNoRoutes

Values

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function <code>ipmib_filter_key</code>. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global <code>InNoRoutes</code> (equivalent to <code>SNMP</code>'s <code>MIB IPSTATS_MIB_INNOROUTES</code>)

probe::ipmib.InReceives

probe::ipmib.InReceives — Count an arriving packet

Synopsis

ipmib.InReceives

Values

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function <code>ipmib_filter_key</code>. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global <code>InReceives</code> (equivalent to SNMP's MIB IPSTATS_MIB_INRECEIVES)

probe::ipmib.InUnknownProtos

probe::ipmib.InUnknownProtos — Count arriving packets with an unbound proto

Synopsis

ipmib.InUnknownProtos

Values

- op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)
- skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function <code>ipmib_filter_key</code>. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global <code>InUnknownProtos</code> (equivalent to SNMP's MIB <code>IPSTATS_MIB_INUNKNOWNPROTOS</code>)

probe::ipmib.OutRequests

probe::ipmib.OutRequests — Count a request to send a packet

Synopsis

ipmib.OutRequests

Values

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function <code>ipmib_filter_key</code>. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global <code>OutRequests</code> (equivalent to <code>SNMP</code>'s <code>MIB IPSTATS_MIB_OUTREQUESTS</code>)

probe::ipmib.ReasmReqds

probe::ipmib.ReasmReqds — Count number of packet fragments reassembly requests

Synopsis

ipmib.ReasmReqds

Values

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function <code>ipmib_filter_key</code>. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global <code>ReasmReqds</code> (equivalent to SNMP's MIB IPSTATS_MIB_REASMREQDS)

probe::ipmib.ReasmTimeout

 $probe::ipmib.ReasmTimeout --- Count\ Reassembly\ Timeouts$

Synopsis

ipmib.ReasmTimeout

Values

skb pointer to the struct sk_buff being acted on

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function <code>ipmib_filter_key</code>. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global <code>ReasmTimeout</code> (equivalent to <code>SNMP</code>'s MIB <code>IPSTATS_MIB_REASMTIMEOUT</code>)

probe::linuxmib.DelayedACKs

probe::linuxmib.DelayedACKs — Count of delayed acks

Synopsis

linuxmib.DelayedACKs

Values

- sk Pointer to the struct sock being acted on
- op Value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function linuxmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global <code>DelayedACKs</code> (equivalent to SNMP's MIB LINUX_MIB_DELAYEDACKS)

probe::linuxmib.ListenDrops

probe::linuxmib.ListenDrops — Count of times conn request that were dropped

Synopsis

linuxmib.ListenDrops

Values

- sk Pointer to the struct sock being acted on
- op Value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function linuxmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global ListenDrops (equivalent to SNMP's MIB LINUX_MIB_LISTENDROPS)

probe::linuxmib.ListenOverflows

probe::linuxmib.ListenOverflows — Count of times a listen queue overflowed

Synopsis

linuxmib.ListenOverflows

Values

- op Value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)
- sk Pointer to the struct sock being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by *skb* is filtered by the function linuxmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global *ListenOverflows* (equivalent to SNMP's MIB LINUX_MIB_LISTENOVERFLOWS)

probe::linuxmib.TCPMemoryPressures

probe::linuxmib.TCPMemoryPressures — Count of times memory pressure was used

Synopsis

linuxmib.TCPMemoryPressures

Values

- sk Pointer to the struct sock being acted on
- op Value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by *skb* is filtered by the function linuxmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global *TCPMemoryPressures* (equivalent to SNMP's MIB LINUX_MIB_TCPMEMORYPRESSURES)

probe::tcpmib.ActiveOpens

probe::tcpmib.ActiveOpens — Count an active opening of a socket

Synopsis

tcpmib.ActiveOpens

Values

- op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)
- sk pointer to the struct sock being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function tcpmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global ActiveOpens (equivalent to SNMP's MIB TCP_MIB_ACTIVEOPENS)

probe::tcpmib.AttemptFails

probe::tcpmib.AttemptFails — Count a failed attempt to open a socket

Synopsis

tcpmib.AttemptFails

Values

sk pointer to the struct sock being acted on

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function tcpmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global AttemptFails (equivalent to SNMP's MIB TCP_MIB_ATTEMPTFAILS)

probe::tcpmib.CurrEstab

probe::tcpmib.CurrEstab — Update the count of open sockets

Synopsis

tcpmib.CurrEstab

Values

sk pointer to the struct sock being acted on

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function tcpmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global CurrEstab (equivalent to SNMP's MIB TCP_MIB_CURRESTAB)

probe::tcpmib.EstabResets

probe::tcpmib.EstabResets — Count the reset of a socket

Synopsis

tcpmib.EstabResets

Values

- op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)
- sk pointer to the struct sock being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function tcpmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global EstabResets (equivalent to SNMP's MIB TCP_MIB_ESTABRESETS)

probe::tcpmib.InSegs

probe::tcpmib.InSegs — Count an incoming tcp segment

Synopsis

tcpmib.InSegs

Values

sk pointer to the struct sock being acted on

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function tcpmib_filter_key (or ipmib_filter_key for tcp v4). If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global InSegs (equivalent to SNMP's MIB TCP_MIB_INSEGS)

probe::tcpmib.OutRsts

probe::tcpmib.OutRsts — Count the sending of a reset packet

Synopsis

tcpmib.OutRsts

Values

- op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)
- sk pointer to the struct sock being acted on

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function tcpmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global OutRsts (equivalent to SNMP's MIB TCP_MIB_OUTRSTS)

probe::tcpmib.OutSegs

probe::tcpmib.OutSegs — Count the sending of a TCP segment

Synopsis

tcpmib.OutSegs

Values

sk pointer to the struct sock being acted on

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function tcpmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global OutSegs (equivalent to SNMP's MIB TCP_MIB_OUTSEGS)

probe::tcpmib.PassiveOpens

probe::tcpmib.PassiveOpens — Count the passive creation of a socket

Synopsis

tcpmib.PassiveOpens

Values

sk pointer to the struct sock being acted on

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by skb is filtered by the function tcpmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global PassiveOpens (equivalent to SNMP's MIB TCP_MIB_PASSIVEOPENS)

probe::tcpmib.RetransSegs

probe::tcpmib.RetransSegs — Count the retransmission of a TCP segment

Synopsis

tcpmib.RetransSegs

Values

sk pointer to the struct sock being acted on

op value to be added to the counter (default value of 1)

Description

The packet pointed to by *skb* is filtered by the function tcpmib_filter_key. If the packet passes the filter is is counted in the global *RetransSegs* (equivalent to SNMP's MIB TCP_MIB_RETRANSSEGS)

Chapter 16. Kernel Process Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe process-related activities. It contains the following probe points:

function::get_loadavg_index

function::get_loadavg_index — Get the load average for a specified interval

Synopsis

get_loadavg_index:long(indx:long)

Arguments

indx The load average interval to capture.

Description

This function returns the load average at a specified interval. The three load average values 1, 5 and 15 minute average corresponds to indexes 0, 1 and 2 of the avenrun array - see linux/sched.h. Please note that the truncated-integer portion of the load average is returned. If the specified index is out-of-bounds, then an error message and exception is thrown.

function::sprint_loadavg

function::sprint_loadavg — Report a pretty-printed load average

Synopsis

sprint_loadavg:string()

Arguments

None

Description

Returns the a string with three decimal numbers in the usual format for 1-, 5- and 15-minute load averages.

function::target_set_pid

function::target_set_pid — Does pid descend from target process?

Synopsis

target_set_pid(pid:)

Arguments

pid The pid of the process to query

Description

This function returns whether the given process-id is within the "target set", that is whether it is a descendant of the top-level target process.

function::target_set_report

function::target_set_report — Print a report about the target set

Synopsis

target_set_report()

Arguments

None

Description

This function prints a report about the processes in the target set, and their ancestry.

probe::kprocess.create

probe::kprocess.create — Fires whenever a new process or thread is successfully created

Synopsis

kprocess.create

Values

new_pid The PID of the newly created process

new_tid The TID of the newly created task

Context

Parent of the created process.

Description

Fires whenever a new process is successfully created, either as a result of fork (or one of its syscall variants), or a new kernel thread.

probe::kprocess.exec

probe::kprocess.exec — Attempt to exec to a new program

Synopsis

kprocess.exec

Values

args The arguments to pass to the new executable, including the 0th arg (SystemTap v2.5+)

name Name of the system call ("execve") (SystemTap v2.5+)

filename The path to the new executable

argstr A string containing the filename followed by the arguments to pass, excluding 0th arg

(SystemTap v2.5+)

Context

The caller of exec.

Description

Fires whenever a process attempts to exec to a new program. Aliased to the syscall.execve probe in SystemTap v2.5+.

probe::kprocess.exec_complete

probe::kprocess.exec_complete — Return from exec to a new program

Synopsis

kprocess.exec_complete

Values

success A boolean indicating whether the exec was successful

errno The error number resulting from the exec

retstr A string representation of errno (SystemTap v2.5+)

name Name of the system call ("execve") (SystemTap v2.5+)

Context

On success, the context of the new executable. On failure, remains in the context of the caller.

Description

Fires at the completion of an exec call. Aliased to the syscall.execve.return probe in SystemTap v2.5+.

probe::kprocess.exit

probe::kprocess.exit — Exit from process

Synopsis

kprocess.exit

Values

code The exit code of the process

Context

The process which is terminating.

Description

Fires when a process terminates. This will always be followed by a kprocess.release, though the latter may be delayed if the process waits in a zombie state.

probe::kprocess.release

probe::kprocess.release — Process released

Synopsis

kprocess.release

Values

released_tid TID of the task being released

released_pid PID of the process being released

pid Same as released_pid for compatibility (deprecated)

task A task handle to the process being released

Context

The context of the parent, if it wanted notification of this process' termination, else the context of the process itself.

Description

Fires when a process is released from the kernel. This always follows a kprocess.exit, though it may be delayed somewhat if the process waits in a zombie state.

probe::kprocess.start

probe::kprocess.start — Starting new process

Synopsis

kprocess.start

Values

None

Context

Newly created process.

Description

Fires immediately before a new process begins execution.

Chapter 17. Signal Tapset

This family of probe points is used to probe signal activities. It contains the following probe points:

function::get_sa_flags

 $function::get_sa_flags --- Returns \ the \ numeric \ value \ of \ sa_flags$

Synopsis

get_sa_flags:long(act:long)

Arguments

act address of the sigaction to query.

function::get_sa_handler

function::get_sa_handler — Returns the numeric value of sa_handler

Synopsis

get_sa_handler:long(act:long)

Arguments

act address of the sigaction to query.

function::is_sig_blocked

function::is_sig_blocked — Returns 1 if the signal is currently blocked, or 0 if it is not

Synopsis

is_sig_blocked:long(task:long,sig:long)

Arguments

task address of the task_struct to query.

sig the signal number to test.

function::sa_flags_str

function::sa_flags_str — Returns the string representation of sa_flags

Synopsis

sa_flags_str:string(sa_flags:long)

Arguments

sa_flags the set of flags to convert to string.

function::sa_handler_str

function::sa_handler_str — Returns the string representation of an sa_handler

Synopsis

sa_handler_str(handler:)

Arguments

handler the sa_handler to convert to string.

Description

Returns the string representation of an sa_handler. If it is not SIG_DFL, SIG_IGN or SIG_ERR, it will return the address of the handler.

function::signal_str

function::signal_str — Returns the string representation of a signal number

Synopsis

signal_str(num:)

Arguments

num the signal number to convert to string.

function::sigset_mask_str

function::sigset_mask_str — Returns the string representation of a sigset

Synopsis

sigset_mask_str:string(mask:long)

Arguments

mask the sigset to convert to string.

probe::signal.check_ignored

probe::signal.check_ignored — Checking to see signal is ignored

Synopsis

signal.check_ignored

Values

pid_nameName of the process receiving the signalsig_pidThe PID of the process receiving the signalsig_nameA string representation of the signalsigThe number of the signal

probe::signal.check_ignored.return

probe::signal.check_ignored.return — Check to see signal is ignored completed

Synopsis

signal.check_ignored.return

Values

name Name of the probe point

retstr Return value as a string

probe::signal.checkperm

probe::signal.checkperm — Check being performed on a sent signal

Synopsis

signal.checkperm

Values

si_code Indicates the signal type

sig_name A string representation of the signal

sig The number of the signal

sinfo The address of the siginfo structure

sig_pid The PID of the process receiving the signal

task A task handle to the signal recipient

pid_name Name of the process receiving the signal

probe::signal.checkperm.return

probe::signal.checkperm.return — Check performed on a sent signal completed

Synopsis

signal.checkperm.return

Values

name Name of the probe point

retstr Return value as a string

probe::signal.do_action

probe::signal.do_action — Examining or changing a signal action

Synopsis

signal.do_action

Values

oldsigact_addr The address of the old sigaction struct associated with the signal

sig The signal to be examined/changed

sig_name A string representation of the signal

sa_handler The new handler of the signal

sa_mask The new mask of the signal

sigact_addr The address of the new sigaction struct associated with the signal

probe::signal.do_action.return

probe::signal.do_action.return — Examining or changing a signal action completed

Synopsis

signal.do_action.return

Values

retstr Return value as a string

probe::signal.flush

probe::signal.flush — Flushing all pending signals for a task

Synopsis

signal.flush

Values

task The task handler of the process performing the flush

sig_pid The PID of the process associated with the task performing the flush

pid_name The name of the process associated with the task performing the flush

probe::signal.force_segv

 $probe:: signal. force_segv --- Forcing\ send\ of\ SIGSEGV$

Synopsis

signal.force_segv

Values

sig_pid The PID of the process receiving the signal

pid_name
Name of the process receiving the signal

name Name of the probe point

sig_name A string representation of the signal

sig The number of the signal

probe::signal.force_segv.return

 $probe:: signal. force_segv.return --- Forcing\ send\ of\ SIGSEGV\ complete$

Synopsis

signal.force_segv.return

Values

name Name of the probe point

retstr Return value as a string

probe::signal.handle

probe::signal.handle — Signal handler being invoked

Synopsis

signal.handle

Values

regs The address of the kernel-mode stack area (deprecated in SystemTap 2.1)

ka_addr The address of the k_sigaction table associated with the signal

sig_mode Indicates whether the signal was a user-mode or kernel-mode signal

oldset_addr The address of the bitmask array of blocked signals (deprecated in SystemTap

2.1)

sig_name A string representation of the signal

The signal number that invoked the signal handler

sinfo The address of the siginfo table

sig_code The si_code value of the siginfo signal

probe::signal.handle.return

 $probe:: signal.handle.return --- Signal\ handler\ invocation\ completed$

Synopsis

signal.handle.return

Values

retstr Return value as a string

name Name of the probe point

Description

(deprecated in SystemTap 2.1)

probe::signal.pending

probe::signal.pending — Examining pending signal

Synopsis

signal.pending

Values

name Name of the probe point

sigset_add The address of the user-space signal set (sigset_t)

sigset_size The size of the user-space signal set

Description

This probe is used to examine a set of signals pending for delivery to a specific thread. This normally occurs when the do_signeding kernel function is executed.

probe::signal.pending.return

probe::signal.pending.return — Examination of pending signal completed

Synopsis

signal.pending.return

Values

name Name of the probe point

retstr Return value as a string

probe::signal.procmask

probe::signal.procmask — Examining or changing blocked signals

Synopsis

signal.procmask

Values

oldsigset_addr The old address of the signal set (sigset_t)

how Indicates how to change the blocked signals; possible values are

SIG_BLOCK=0 (for blocking signals), SIG_UNBLOCK=1 (for unblocking signals), and SIG_SETMASK=2 for setting the signal

mask.

sigset The actual value to be set for sigset_t (correct?)

 $sigset_addr$ The address of the signal set (sigset_t) to be implemented

probe::signal.procmask.return

probe::signal.procmask.return — Examining or changing blocked signals completed

Synopsis

signal.procmask.return

Values

retstr Return value as a string

probe::signal.send

probe::signal.send — Signal being sent to a process

Synopsis

signal.send

Values

sig The number of the signal

sig_name A string representation of the signal

si_code Indicates the signal type

send2queue Indicates whether the signal is sent to an existing sigqueue (deprecated in

SystemTap 2.1)

name The name of the function used to send out the signal

pid_name The name of the signal recipient

shared Indicates whether the signal is shared by the thread group

sinfo The address of siginfo struct

sig_pid The PID of the process receiving the signal

task A task handle to the signal recipient

Context

The signal's sender.

probe::signal.send.return

probe::signal.send.return — Signal being sent to a process completed (deprecated in SystemTap 2.1)

Synopsis

signal.send.return

Values

shared Indicates whether the sent signal is shared by the thread group.

name The name of the function used to send out the signal

retstr The return value to either __group_send_sig_info, specific_send_sig_info, or

send_sigqueue

send2queue Indicates whether the sent signal was sent to an existing sigqueue

Context

The signal's sender. (correct?)

Description

Possible __group_send_sig_info and specific_send_sig_info return values are as follows;

0 -- The signal is successfully sent to a process, which means that, (1) the signal was ignored by the receiving process, (2) this is a non-RT signal and the system already has one queued, and (3) the signal was successfully added to the sigqueue of the receiving process.

-EAGAIN -- The signueue of the receiving process is overflowing, the signal was RT, and the signal was sent by a user using something other than kill.

Possible send_group_sigqueue and send_sigqueue return values are as follows;

- 0 -- The signal was either successfully added into the signal use of the receiving process, or a SI_TIMER entry is already queued (in which case, the overrun count will be simply incremented).
- 1 -- The signal was ignored by the receiving process.
- -1 -- (send_sigqueue only) The task was marked exiting, allowing * posix_timer_event to redirect it to the group leader.

probe::signal.send_sig_queue

probe::signal.send_sig_queue — Queuing a signal to a process

Synopsis

signal.send_sig_queue

Values

sigqueue_addr The address of the signal queue

sig_pid The PID of the process to which the signal is queued

name Name of the probe point

pid_name Name of the process to which the signal is queued

sig_name A string representation of the signal

sig The queued signal

probe::signal.send_sig_queue.return

probe::signal.send_sig_queue.return — Queuing a signal to a process completed

Synopsis

signal.send_sig_queue.return

Values

name Name of the probe point

retstr Return value as a string

probe::signal.sys_tgkill

probe::signal.sys_tgkill — Sending kill signal to a thread group

Synopsis

signal.sys_tgkill

Values

sig_name A string representation of the signal

The specific kill signal sent to the process

The thread group ID of the thread receiving the kill signal

name Name of the probe point

pid_name The name of the signal recipient

task A task handle to the signal recipient

sig_pid The PID of the thread receiving the kill signal

Description

The tgkill call is similar to tkill, except that it also allows the caller to specify the thread group ID of the thread to be signalled. This protects against TID reuse.

probe::signal.sys_tgkill.return

probe::signal.sys_tgkill.return — Sending kill signal to a thread group completed

Synopsis

signal.sys_tgkill.return

Values

name Name of the probe point

retstr The return value to either __group_send_sig_info,

probe::signal.sys_tkill

probe::signal.sys_tkill — Sending a kill signal to a thread

Synopsis

signal.sys_tkill

Values

sig_name A string representation of the signal

sig The specific signal sent to the process

name Name of the probe point

pid_name The name of the signal recipient

task A task handle to the signal recipient

sig_pid The PID of the process receiving the kill signal

Description

The tkill call is analogous to kill(2), except that it also allows a process within a specific thread group to be targeted. Such processes are targeted through their unique thread IDs (TID).

probe::signal.syskill

probe::signal.syskill — Sending kill signal to a process

Synopsis

signal.syskill

Values

task A task handle to the signal recipient

sig_pid The PID of the process receiving the signal

name Name of the probe point

pid_name The name of the signal recipient

sig The specific signal sent to the process

sig_name A string representation of the signal

probe::signal.syskill.return

probe::signal.syskill.return — Sending kill signal completed

Synopsis

signal.syskill.return

Values

None

probe::signal.systkill.return

probe::signal.systkill.return — Sending kill signal to a thread completed

Synopsis

signal.systkill.return

Values

retstr The return value to either __group_send_sig_info,

name Name of the probe point

probe::signal.wakeup

probe::signal.wakeup — Sleeping process being wakened for signal

Synopsis

signal.wakeup

Values

pid_name Name of the process to wake

sig_pid The PID of the process to wake

state_mask A string representation indicating the mask of task states to wake. Possible

values are TASK_INTERRUPTIBLE, TASK_STOPPED, TASK_TRACED,

TASK_WAKEKILL, and TASK_INTERRUPTIBLE.

resume Indicates whether to wake up a task in a STOPPED or TRACED state

Chapter 18. Errno Tapset

This set of functions is used to handle errno number values. It contains the following functions:

function::errno_str

function::errno_str — Symbolic string associated with error code

Synopsis

errno_str:string(err:long)

Arguments

err The error number received

Description

This function returns the symbolic string associated with the giver error code, such as ENOENT for the number 2, or E#3333 for an out-of-range value such as 3333.

function::return_str

function::return_str — Formats the return value as a string

Synopsis

return_str:string(format:long,ret:long)

Arguments

format Variable to determine return type base value

ret Return value (typically \$return)

Description

This function is used by the syscall tapset, and returns a string. Set format equal to 1 for a decimal, 2 for hex, 3 for octal.

Note that this function is preferred over returnstr.

function::returnstr

function::returnstr — Formats the return value as a string

Synopsis

returnstr:string(format:long)

Arguments

format

Variable to determine return type base value

Description

This function is used by the nd_syscall tapset, and returns a string. Set format equal to 1 for a decimal, 2 for hex, 3 for octal.

Note that this function should only be used in dwarfless probes (i.e. 'kprobe.function("foo")'). Other probes should use return_str.

function::returnval

function::returnval — Possible return value of probed function

Synopsis

returnval:long()

Arguments

None

Description

Return the value of the register in which function values are typically returned. Can be used in probes where \$return isn't available. This is only a guess of the actual return value and can be totally wrong. Normally only used in dwarfless probes.

Chapter 19. RLIMIT Tapset

This set of functions is used to handle string which defines resource limits (RLIMIT_*) and returns corresponding number of resource limit. It contains the following functions:

function::rlimit_from_str

function::rlimit_from_str — Symbolic string associated with resource limit code

Synopsis

rlimit_from_str:long(lim_str:string)

Arguments

lim_str The string representation of limit

Description

This function returns the number associated with the given string, such as 0 for the string RLIMIT_CPU, or -1 for an out-of-range value.

Chapter 20. Device Tapset

This set of functions is used to handle kernel and userspace device numbers. It contains the following functions:

function::MAJOR

function::MAJOR — Extract major device number from a kernel device number (kdev_t)

Synopsis

MAJOR:long(dev:long)

Arguments

dev Kernel device number to query.

function::MINOR

function::MINOR — Extract minor device number from a kernel device number (kdev_t)

Synopsis

MINOR: long(dev:long)

Arguments

dev Kernel device number to query.

function::MKDEV

function::MKDEV — Creates a value that can be compared to a kernel device number (kdev_t)

Synopsis

MKDEV:long(major:long,minor:long)

Arguments

major Intended major device number.

minor Intended minor device number.

function::usrdev2kerndev

function::usrdev2kerndev — Converts a user-space device number into the format used in the kernel

Synopsis

usrdev2kerndev:long(dev:long)

Arguments

dev Device number in user-space format.

Chapter 21. Directory-entry (dentry) Tapset

This family of functions is used to map kernel VFS directory entry pointers to file or full path names.

function::d_name

function::d_name — get the dirent name

Synopsis

d_name:string(dentry:long)

Arguments

dentry Pointer to dentry.

Description

Returns the dirent name (path basename).

function::d_path

function::d_path — get the full nameidata path

Synopsis

d_path:string(nd:long)

Arguments

nd Pointer to nameidata.

Description

Returns the full dirent name (full path to the root), like the kernel d_path function.

function::fullpath_struct_file

function::fullpath_struct_file — get the full path

Synopsis

fullpath_struct_file:string(task:long,file:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer.

file Pointer to "struct file".

Description

Returns the full dirent name (full path to the root), like the kernel d_path function.

function::fullpath_struct_nameidata

function::fullpath_struct_nameidata — get the full nameidata path

Synopsis

fullpath_struct_nameidata(nd:)

Arguments

nd Pointer to "struct nameidata".

Description

Returns the full dirent name (full path to the root), like the kernel (and systemtap-tapset) d_path function, with a "/".

function::fullpath_struct_path

function::fullpath_struct_path — get the full path

Synopsis

fullpath_struct_path:string(path:long)

Arguments

path Pointer to "struct path".

Description

Returns the full dirent name (full path to the root), like the kernel d_path function.

function::inode_name

function::inode_name — get the inode name

Synopsis

inode_name:string(inode:long)

Arguments

inode Pointer to inode.

Description

Returns the first path basename associated with the given inode.

function::inode_path

function::inode_path — get the path to an inode

Synopsis

inode_path:string(inode:long)

Arguments

inode Pointer to inode.

Description

Returns the full path associated with the given inode.

function::real_mount

function::real_mount — get the 'struct mount' pointer

Synopsis

real_mount:long(vfsmnt:long)

Arguments

vfsmnt

Pointer to 'struct vfsmount'

Description

Returns the 'struct mount' pointer value for a 'struct vfsmount' pointer.

function::reverse_path_walk

function::reverse_path_walk — get the full dirent path

Synopsis

reverse_path_walk:string(dentry:long)

Arguments

dentry Pointer to dentry.

Description

Returns the path name (partial path to mount point).

function::task_dentry_path

function::task_dentry_path — get the full dentry path

Synopsis

task_dentry_path:string(task:long,dentry:long,vfsmnt:long)

Arguments

task task_struct pointer.

dentry direntry pointer.

vfsmnt vfsmnt pointer.

Description

Returns the full dirent name (full path to the root), like the kernel d_path function.

Chapter 22. Logging Tapset

This family of functions is used to send simple message strings to various destinations.

function::abort

function::abort — Immediately shutting down probing script.

Synopsis

abort()

Arguments

None

Description

This is similar to exit but immediately aborts the current probe handler instead of waiting for its completion. Probe handlers already running on *other* CPU cores, however, will still continue to their completion. Unlike error, this function call cannot be caught by 'try ... catch'.

function::assert

function::assert — evaluate assertion

Synopsis

- 1) assert(expression:long)
- 2) assert(expression:long,msg:string)

Arguments

expression The expression to evaluate

msg The formatted message string

Description

1) This function checks the expression and aborts the current running probe if expression evaluates to zero. Useserror and may be caught by try{} catch{}. A default message will be displayed.

2) This function checks the expression and aborts the current running probe if expression evaluates to zero. Useserror and may be caught by try{} catch{}. The specified message will be displayed.

function::error

function::error — Send an error message

Synopsis

error(msg:string)

Arguments

msg The formatted message string

Description

An implicit end-of-line is added. staprun prepends the string "ERROR:". Sending an error message aborts the currently running probe. Depending on the MAXERRORS parameter, it may trigger an exit.

function::exit

function::exit — Start shutting down probing script.

Synopsis

exit()

Arguments

None

Description

This only enqueues a request to start shutting down the script. New probes will not fire (except "end" probes), but all currently running ones may complete their work.

function::ftrace

function::ftrace — Send a message to the ftrace ring-buffer

Synopsis

ftrace(msg:string)

Arguments

msg The formatted message string

Description

If the ftrace ring-buffer is configured & available, see /debugfs/tracing/trace for the message. Otherwise, the message may be quietly dropped. An implicit end-of-line is added.

function::log

function::log — Send a line to the common trace buffer

Synopsis

log(msg:string)

Arguments

msg The formatted message string

Description

This function logs data. log sends the message immediately to staprun and to the bulk transport (relayfs) if it is being used. If the last character given is not a newline, then one is added. This function is not as efficient as printf and should be used only for urgent messages.

function::printk

function::printk — Send a message to the kernel trace buffer

Synopsis

printk(level:long,msg:string)

Arguments

level an integer for the severity level (0=KERN_EMERG ... 7=KERN_DEBUG)

msg The formatted message string

Description

Print a line of text to the kernel dmesg/console with the given severity. An implicit end-of-line is added. This function may not be safely called from all kernel probe contexts, so is restricted to guru mode only.

function::warn

function::warn — Send a line to the warning stream

Synopsis

warn(msg:string)

Arguments

msg The formatted message string

Description

This function sends a warning message immediately to staprun. It is also sent over the bulk transport (relayfs) if it is being used. If the last characater is not a newline, the one is added.

Chapter 23. Queue Statistics Tapset

This family of functions is used to track performance of queuing systems.

function::qs_done

function::qs_done — Function to record finishing request

Synopsis

qs_done(qname:string)

Arguments

qname the name of the service that finished

Description

This function records that a request originally from the given queue has completed being serviced.

function::qs_run

function::qs_run — Function to record being moved from wait queue to being serviced

Synopsis

qs_run(qname:string)

Arguments

qname the name of the service being moved and started

Description

This function records that the previous enqueued request was removed from the given wait queue and is now being serviced.

function::qs_wait

function::qs_wait — Function to record enqueue requests

Synopsis

qs_wait(qname:string)

Arguments

qname the name of the queue requesting enqueue

Description

This function records that a new request was enqueued for the given queue name.

function::qsq_blocked

function::qsq_blocked — Returns the time reqest was on the wait queue

Synopsis

qsq_blocked:long(qname:string,scale:long)

Arguments

qname queue name

scale scale variable to take account for interval fraction

Description

This function returns the fraction of elapsed time during which one or more requests were on the wait queue.

function::qsq_print

function::qsq_print — Prints a line of statistics for the given queue

Synopsis

qsq_print(qname:string)

Arguments

qname queue name

Description

This function prints a line containing the following

statistics for the given queue

the queue name, the average rate of requests per second, the average wait queue length, the average time on the wait queue, the average time to service a request, the percentage of time the wait queue was used, and the percentage of time request was being serviced.

function::qsq_service_time

function::qsq_service_time — Amount of time per request service

Synopsis

qsq_service_time:long(qname:string,scale:long)

Arguments

qname queue name

scale scale variable to take account for interval fraction

Description

This function returns the average time in microseconds required to service a request once it is removed from the wait queue.

function::qsq_start

function::qsq_start — Function to reset the stats for a queue

Synopsis

qsq_start(qname:string)

Arguments

qname the name of the service that finished

Description

This function resets the statistics counters for the given queue, and restarts tracking from the moment the function was called. This function is also used to create intialize a queue.

function::qsq_throughput

function::qsq_throughput — Number of requests served per unit time

Synopsis

qsq_throughput:long(qname:string,scale:long)

Arguments

qname queue name

scale scale variable to take account for interval fraction

Description

This function returns the average number or requests served per microsecond.

function::qsq_utilization

function::qsq_utilization — Fraction of time that any request was being serviced

Synopsis

qsq_utilization:long(qname:string,scale:long)

Arguments

qname queue name

scale scale variable to take account for interval fraction

Description

This function returns the average time in microseconds that at least one request was being serviced.

function::qsq_wait_queue_length

function::qsq_wait_queue_length — length of wait queue

Synopsis

qsq_wait_queue_length:long(qname:string,scale:long)

Arguments

qname queue name

scale scale variable to take account for interval fraction

Description

This function returns the average length of the wait queue

function::qsq_wait_time

function::qsq_wait_time — Amount of time in queue + service per request

Synopsis

qsq_wait_time:long(qname:string,scale:long)

Arguments

qname queue name

scale scale variable to take account for interval fraction

Description

This function returns the average time in microseconds that it took for a request to be serviced (qs_wait to qa_done).

Chapter 24. Random functions Tapset

These functions deal with random number generation.

function::randint

function::randint — Return a random number between [0,n)

Synopsis

randint:long(n:long)

Arguments

n Number past upper limit of range, not larger than 2**20.

Chapter 25. String and data retrieving functions Tapset

Functions to retrieve strings and other primitive types from the kernel or a user space programs based on addresses. All strings are of a maximum length given by MAXSTRINGLEN.

function::atomic_long_read

function::atomic_long_read — Retrieves an atomic long variable from kernel memory

Synopsis

atomic_long_read:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr pointer to atomic long variable

Description

Safely perform the read of an atomic long variable. This will be a NOP on kernels that do not have ATOMIC_LONG_INIT set on the kernel config.

function::atomic_read

function::atomic_read — Retrieves an atomic variable from kernel memory

Synopsis

atomic_read:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr pointer to atomic variable

Description

Safely perform the read of an atomic variable.

function::kernel_buffer_quoted

function::kernel_buffer_quoted — Retrieves and quotes buffer from kernel space

Synopsis

- 1) kernel_buffer_quoted:string(addr:long,inlen:long)
- 2) kernel_buffer_quoted:string(addr:long,inlen:long,outlen:long)

Arguments

addr the kernel space address to retrieve the buffer from

inlen the exact length of the buffer to read

outlen the maximum length of the output string

Description

- 1) Reads inlen characters of a buffer from the given kernel space memory address, and returns up to MAXSTRINGLEN characters, where any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string. Note that the string will be surrounded by double quotes. On the rare cases when kernel space data is not accessible at the given address, the address itself is returned as a string, without double quotes.
- 2) Reads inlen characters of a buffer from the given kernel space memory address, and returns up to outlen characters, where any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string. Note that the string will be surrounded by double quotes. On the rare cases when kernel space data is not accessible at the given address, the address itself is returned as a string, without double quotes.

function::kernel_buffer_quoted_error

function::kernel_buffer_quoted_error — Retrieves and quotes buffer from kernel space

Synopsis

kernel_buffer_quoted_error:string(addr:long,inlen:long,outlen:long)

Arguments

addr the kernel space address to retrieve the buffer from

inlen the exact length of the buffer to read

outlen the maximum length of the output string

Description

Reads inlen characters of a buffer from the given kernel space memory address, and returns up to outlen characters, where any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string. Note that the string will be surrounded by double quotes. On the rare cases when kernel space data is not accessible at the given address, an error is thrown.

function::kernel_char

function::kernel_char — Retrieves a char value stored in kernel memory

Synopsis

kernel_char:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the char from

Description

Returns the char value from a given kernel memory address. Reports an error when reading from the given address fails.

function::kernel_int

function::kernel_int — Retrieves an int value stored in kernel memory

Synopsis

kernel_int:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the int from

Description

Returns the int value from a given kernel memory address. Reports an error when reading from the given address fails.

function::kernel_long

function::kernel_long — Retrieves a long value stored in kernel memory

Synopsis

kernel_long:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the long from

Description

Returns the long value from a given kernel memory address. Reports an error when reading from the given address fails.

function::kernel_pointer

function::kernel_pointer — Retrieves a pointer value stored in kernel memory

Synopsis

kernel_pointer:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the pointer from

Description

Returns the pointer value from a given kernel memory address. Reports an error when reading from the given address fails.

function::kernel_short

function::kernel_short — Retrieves a short value stored in kernel memory

Synopsis

kernel_short:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the short from

Description

Returns the short value from a given kernel memory address. Reports an error when reading from the given address fails.

function::kernel_string

function::kernel_string — Retrieves string from kernel memory

Synopsis

- 1) kernel_string:string(addr:long)
- 2) kernel_string:string(addr:long,err_msg:string)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the string from

err_msg The error message to return when data isn't available

Description

- 1) This function returns the null terminated C string from a given kernel memory address. Reports an error on string copy fault.
- 2) This function returns the null terminated C string from a given kernel memory address. Reports the given error message on string copy fault.

function::kernel_string_n

function::kernel_string_n — Retrieves string of given length from kernel memory

Synopsis

kernel_string_n:string(addr:long,n:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the string from

n The maximum length of the string (if not null terminated)

Description

Returns the C string of a maximum given length from a given kernel memory address. Reports an error on string copy fault.

function::kernel_string_quoted

function::kernel_string_quoted — Retrieves and quotes string from kernel memory

Synopsis

kernel_string_quoted:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the kernel memory address to retrieve the string from

Description

Returns the null terminated C string from a given kernel memory address where any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string. Note that the string will be surrounded by double quotes. If the kernel memory data is not accessible at the given address, the address itself is returned as a string, without double quotes.

function::kernel_string_quoted_utf16

function::kernel_string_quoted_utf16 — Quote given kernel UTF-16 string.

Synopsis

kernel_string_quoted_utf16:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the string from

Description

This function combines quoting as per $string_quoted$ and UTF-16 decoding as per $kernel_string_utf16$.

function::kernel_string_quoted_utf32

function::kernel_string_quoted_utf32 — Quote given UTF-32 kernel string.

Synopsis

kernel_string_quoted_utf32:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the string from

Description

This function combines quoting as per $string_quoted$ and UTF-32 decoding as per $kernel_string_utf32$.

function::kernel_string_utf16

function::kernel_string_utf16 — Retrieves UTF-16 string from kernel memory

Synopsis

- 1) kernel_string_utf16:string(addr:long)
- 2) kernel_string_utf16:string(addr:long,err_msg:string)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the string from

err_msg The error message to return when data isn't available

Description

1) This function returns a null terminated UTF-8 string converted from the UTF-16 string at a given kernel memory address. Reports an error on string copy fault or conversion error.

2) This function returns a null terminated UTF-8 string converted from the UTF-16 string at a given kernel memory address. Reports the given error message on string copy fault or conversion error.

function::kernel_string_utf32

function::kernel_string_utf32 — Retrieves UTF-32 string from kernel memory

Synopsis

- 1) kernel_string_utf32:string(addr:long)
- 2) kernel_string_utf32:string(addr:long,err_msg:string)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to retrieve the string from

err_msg The error message to return when data isn't available

Description

1) This function returns a null terminated UTF-8 string converted from the UTF-32 string at a given kernel memory address. Reports an error on string copy fault or conversion error.

2) This function returns a null terminated UTF-8 string converted from the UTF-32 string at a given kernel memory address. Reports the given error message on string copy fault or conversion error.

function::user_buffer_quoted

function::user_buffer_quoted — Retrieves and quotes buffer from user space

Synopsis

user_buffer_quoted:string(addr:long,inlen:long,outlen:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the buffer from

inlen the exact length of the buffer to read

outlen the maximum length of the output string

Description

Reads inlen characters of a buffer from the given user space memory address, and returns up to outlen characters, where any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string. Note that the string will be surrounded by double quotes. On the rare cases when user space data is not accessible at the given address, the address itself is returned as a string, without double quotes.

function::user_buffer_quoted_error

function::user_buffer_quoted_error — Retrieves and quotes buffer from user space

Synopsis

user_buffer_quoted_error:string(addr:long,inlen:long,outlen:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the buffer from

inlen the exact length of the buffer to read

outlen the maximum length of the output string

Description

Reads inlen characters of a buffer from the given user space memory address, and returns up to outlen characters, where any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string. Note that the string will be surrounded by double quotes. On the rare cases when user space data is not accessible at the given address, an error is thrown.

function::user_char

function::user_char — Retrieves a char value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_char:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the char from

Description

Returns the char value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_char_error

function::user_char_error — Retrieves a char value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_char_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the char from

Description

Returns the char value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_char_warn

function::user_char_warn — Retrieves a char value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_char_warn:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the char from

Description

Returns the char value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible and warns about the failure (but does not error).

function::user_int

function::user_int — Retrieves an int value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the int from

Description

Returns the int value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_int16

function::user_int16 — Retrieves a 16-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int16:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the 16-bit integer from

Description

Returns the 16-bit integer value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_int16_error

function::user_int16_error — Retrieves a 16-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int16_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the 16-bit integer from

Description

Returns the 16-bit integer value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_int32

function::user_int32 — Retrieves a 32-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int32:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the 32-bit integer from

Description

Returns the 32-bit integer value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_int32_error

function::user_int32_error — Retrieves a 32-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int32_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the 32-bit integer from

Description

Returns the 32-bit integer value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_int64

function::user_int64 — Retrieves a 64-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int64:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the 64-bit integer from

Description

Returns the 64-bit integer value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_int64_error

function::user_int64_error — Retrieves a 64-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int64_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the 64-bit integer from

Description

Returns the 64-bit integer value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_int8

function::user_int8 — Retrieves a 8-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int8:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the 8-bit integer from

Description

Returns the 8-bit integer value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_int8_error

function::user_int8_error — Retrieves a 8-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int8_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the 8-bit integer from

Description

Returns the 8-bit integer value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_int_error

function::user_int_error — Retrieves an int value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the int from

Description

Returns the int value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_int_warn

function::user_int_warn — Retrieves an int value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_int_warn:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the int from

Description

Returns the int value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible and warns about the failure (but does not error).

function::user_long

function::user_long — Retrieves a long value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_long:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the long from

Description

Returns the long value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible. Note that the size of the long depends on the architecture of the current user space task (for those architectures that support both 64/32 bit compat tasks).

function::user_long_error

function::user_long_error — Retrieves a long value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_long_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the long from

Description

Returns the long value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur. Note that the size of the long depends on the architecture of the current user space task (for those architectures that support both 64/32 bit compat tasks).

function::user_long_warn

function::user_long_warn — Retrieves a long value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_long_warn:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the long from

Description

Returns the long value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible and warns about the failure (but does not error). Note that the size of the long depends on the architecture of the current user space task (for those architectures that support both 64/32 bit compat tasks).

function::user_short

function::user_short — Retrieves a short value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_short:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the short from

Description

Returns the short value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_short_error

function::user_short_error — Retrieves a short value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_short_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the short from

Description

Returns the short value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_short_warn

function::user_short_warn — Retrieves a short value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_short_warn:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the short from

Description

Returns the short value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible and warns about the failure (but does not error).

function::user_string

function::user_string — Retrieves string from user space

Synopsis

- 1) user_string:string(addr:long)
- 2) user_string:string(addr:long,err_msg:string)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the string from

err_msg the error message to return when data isn't available

- 1) Returns the null terminated C string from a given user space memory address. Reports an error on the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible.
- 2) Returns the null terminated C string from a given user space memory address. Reports the given error message on the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible.

function::user_string_n

function::user_string_n — Retrieves string of given length from user space

Synopsis

- 1) user_string_n:string(addr:long,n:long)
- 2) user_string_n:string(addr:long,n:long,err_msg:string)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the string from

n the maximum length of the string (if not null terminated)

err_msg the error message to return when data isn't available

- 1) Returns the C string of a maximum given length from a given user space address. Reports an error on the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible at the given address.
- 2) Returns the C string of a maximum given length from a given user space address. Returns the given error message string on the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible at the given address.

function::user_string_n_quoted

function::user_string_n_quoted — Retrieves and quotes string from user space

Synopsis

- 1) user_string_n_quoted:string(addr:long,n:long)
- 2) user_string_n_quoted:string(addr:long,inlen:long,outlen:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the string from

n the maximum length of the string (if not null terminated)

inlen the maximum length of the string to read (if not null terminated)

outlen the maximum length of the output string

- 1) Returns up to n characters of a C string from the given user space memory address where any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string. Note that the string will be surrounded by double quotes. On the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible at the given address, the address itself is returned as a string, without double quotes.
- 2) Reads up to inlen characters of a C string from the given user space memory address, and returns up to outlen characters, where any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string. Note that the string will be surrounded by double quotes. On the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible at the given address, the address itself is returned as a string, without double quotes.

function::user_string_n_warn

function::user_string_n_warn — Retrieves string from user space

Synopsis

- 1) user_string_n_warn:string(addr:long,n:long)
- 2) user_string_n_warn:string(addr:long,n:long,warn_msg:string)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the string from

n the maximum length of the string (if not null terminated)

warn_msg the warning message to return when data isn't available

- 1) Returns up to n characters of a C string from a given user space memory address. Reports"<unknown>" on the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible and warns (but does not abort) about the failure.
- 2) Returns up to n characters of a C string from a given user space memory address. Reports the given warning message on the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible and warns (but does not abort) about the failure.

function::user_string_quoted

function::user_string_quoted — Retrieves and quotes string from user space

Synopsis

user_string_quoted:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the string from

Description

Returns the null terminated C string from a given user space memory address where any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string. Note that the string will be surrounded by double quotes. On the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible at the given address, the address itself is returned as a string, without double quotes.

function::user_string_quoted_utf16

function::user_string_quoted_utf16 — Quote given user UTF-16 string.

Synopsis

user_string_quoted_utf16:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The user address to retrieve the string from

Description

This function combines quoting as per $string_quoted$ and UTF-16 decoding as per $user_string_utf16$.

function::user_string_quoted_utf32

function::user_string_quoted_utf32 — Quote given user UTF-32 string.

Synopsis

user_string_quoted_utf32:string(addr:long)

Arguments

addr The user address to retrieve the string from

Description

This function combines quoting as per $string_quoted$ and UTF-32 decoding as per $user_string_utf32$.

function::user_string_utf16

function::user_string_utf16 — Retrieves UTF-16 string from user memory

Synopsis

- 1) user_string_utf16:string(addr:long)
- 2) user_string_utf16:string(addr:long,err_msg:string)

Arguments

addr The user address to retrieve the string from

err_msg The error message to return when data isn't available

- 1) This function returns a null terminated UTF-8 string converted from the UTF-16 string at a given user memory address. Reports an error on string copy fault or conversion error.
- 2) This function returns a null terminated UTF-8 string converted from the UTF-16 string at a given user memory address. Reports the given error message on string copy fault or conversion error.

function::user_string_utf32

function::user_string_utf32 — Retrieves UTF-32 string from user memory

Synopsis

- 1) user_string_utf32:string(addr:long)
- 2) user_string_utf32:string(addr:long,err_msg:string)

Arguments

addr The user address to retrieve the string from

err_msg The error message to return when data isn't available

- 1) This function returns a null terminated UTF-8 string converted from the UTF-32 string at a given user memory address. Reports an error on string copy fault or conversion error.
- 2) This function returns a null terminated UTF-8 string converted from the UTF-32 string at a given user memory address. Reports the given error message on string copy fault or conversion error.

function::user_string_warn

function::user_string_warn — Retrieves string from user space

Synopsis

- 1) user_string_warn:string(addr:long)
- 2) user_string_warn:string(addr:long,warn_msg:string)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the string from

warn_msg the warning message to return when data isn't available

- 1) Returns the null terminated C string from a given user space memory address. Reports "" on the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible and warns (but does not abort) about the failure.
- 2) Returns the null terminated C string from a given user space memory address. Reports the given warning message on the rare cases when userspace data is not accessible and warns (but does not abort) about the failure.

function::user_uint16

function::user_uint16 — Retrieves an unsigned 16-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_uint16:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned 16-bit integer from

Description

Returns the unsigned 16-bit integer value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_uint16_error

function::user_uint16_error — Retrieves an unsigned 16-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_uint16_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned 16-bit integer from

Description

Returns the unsigned 16-bit integer value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_uint32

function::user_uint32 — Retrieves an unsigned 32-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_uint32:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned 32-bit integer from

Description

Returns the unsigned 32-bit integer value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_uint32_error

function::user_uint32_error — Retrieves an unsigned 32-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_uint32_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned 32-bit integer from

Description

Returns the unsigned 32-bit integer value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_uint64

function::user_uint64 — Retrieves an unsigned 64-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_uint64:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned 64-bit integer from

Description

Returns the unsigned 64-bit integer value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_uint64_error

function::user_uint64_error — Retrieves an unsigned 64-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_uint64_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned 64-bit integer from

Description

Returns the unsigned 64-bit integer value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_uint8

function::user_uint8 — Retrieves a unsigned 8-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_uint8:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned 8-bit integer from

Description

Returns the unsigned 8-bit integer value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_uint8_error

function::user_uint8_error — Retrieves a unsigned 8-bit integer value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_uint8_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned 8-bit integer from

Description

Returns the unsigned 8-bit integer value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_ulong

function::user_ulong — Retrieves an unsigned long value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_ulong:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned long from

Description

Returns the unsigned long value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible. Note that the size of the unsigned long depends on the architecture of the current user space task (for those architectures that support both 64/32 bit compat tasks).

function::user_ulong_error

function::user_ulong_error — Retrieves a unsigned long value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_ulong_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned long from

Description

Returns the unsigned long value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur. Note that the size of the unsigned long depends on the architecture of the current user space task (for those architectures that support both 64/32 bit compat tasks).

function::user_ulong_warn

function::user_ulong_warn — Retrieves an unsigned long value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_ulong_warn:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned long from

Description

Returns the unsigned long value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible and warns about the failure (but does not error). Note that the size of the unsigned long depends on the architecture of the current user space task (for those architectures that support both 64/32 bit compat tasks).

function::user_ushort

function::user_ushort — Retrieves an unsigned short value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_ushort:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned short from

Description

Returns the unsigned short value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible.

function::user_ushort_error

function::user_ushort_error — Retrieves an unsigned short value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_ushort_error:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned short from

Description

Returns the unsigned short value from a given user space address. If the user space data is not accessible, an error will occur.

function::user_ushort_warn

function::user_ushort_warn — Retrieves an unsigned short value stored in user space

Synopsis

user_ushort_warn:long(addr:long)

Arguments

addr the user space address to retrieve the unsigned short from

Description

Returns the unsigned short value from a given user space address. Returns zero when user space data is not accessible and warns about the failure (but does not error).

Chapter 26. String and data writing functions Tapset

The SystemTap guru mode can be used to test error handling in kernel code by simulating faults. The functions in the this tapset provide standard methods of writing to primitive types in the kernel's memory. All the functions in this tapset require the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_kernel_char

function::set_kernel_char — Writes a char value to kernel memory

Synopsis

set_kernel_char(addr:long,val:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to write the char to

val The char which is to be written

Description

Writes the char value to a given kernel memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_kernel_int

function::set_kernel_int — Writes an int value to kernel memory

Synopsis

set_kernel_int(addr:long,val:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to write the int to

val The int which is to be written

Description

Writes the int value to a given kernel memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_kernel_long

function::set_kernel_long — Writes a long value to kernel memory

Synopsis

set_kernel_long(addr:long,val:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to write the long to

val The long which is to be written

Description

Writes the long value to a given kernel memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_kernel_pointer

function::set_kernel_pointer — Writes a pointer value to kernel memory.

Synopsis

set_kernel_pointer(addr:long,val:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to write the pointer to

val The pointer which is to be written

Description

Writes the pointer value to a given kernel memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_kernel_short

function::set_kernel_short — Writes a short value to kernel memory

Synopsis

set_kernel_short(addr:long,val:long)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to write the short to

val The short which is to be written

Description

Writes the short value to a given kernel memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_kernel_string

function::set_kernel_string — Writes a string to kernel memory

Synopsis

set_kernel_string(addr:long,val:string)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to write the string to

val The string which is to be written

Description

Writes the given string to a given kernel memory address. Reports an error on string copy fault. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_kernel_string_n

function::set_kernel_string_n — Writes a string of given length to kernel memory

Synopsis

set_kernel_string_n(addr:long,n:long,val:string)

Arguments

addr The kernel address to write the string to

n The maximum length of the string

val The string which is to be written

Description

Writes the given string up to a maximum given length to a given kernel memory address. Reports an error on string copy fault. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_user_char

function::set_user_char — Writes a char value to user memory

Synopsis

set_user_char(addr:long,val:long)

Arguments

addr The user address to write the char to

val The char which is to be written

Description

Writes the char value to a given user memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_user_int

function::set_user_int — Writes an int value to user memory

Synopsis

set_user_int(addr:long,val:long)

Arguments

addr The user address to write the int to

val The int which is to be written

Description

Writes the int value to a given user memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_user_long

function::set_user_long — Writes a long value to user memory

Synopsis

set_user_long(addr:long,val:long)

Arguments

addr The user address to write the long to

val The long which is to be written

Description

Writes the long value to a given user memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_user_pointer

function::set_user_pointer — Writes a pointer value to user memory.

Synopsis

set_user_pointer(addr:long,val:long)

Arguments

addr The user address to write the pointer to

val The pointer which is to be written

Description

Writes the pointer value to a given user memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_user_short

function::set_user_short — Writes a short value to user memory

Synopsis

set_user_short(addr:long,val:long)

Arguments

addr The user address to write the short to

val The short which is to be written

Description

Writes the short value to a given user memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_user_string

function::set_user_string — Writes a string to user memory

Synopsis

set_user_string(addr:long,val:string)

Arguments

addr The user address to write the string to

val The string which is to be written

Description

Writes the given string to a given user memory address. Reports an error when writing to the given address fails. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

function::set_user_string_n

function::set_user_string_n — Writes a string of given length to user memory

Synopsis

set_user_string_n(addr:long,n:long,val:string)

Arguments

addr The user address to write the string to

n The maximum length of the string

val The string which is to be written

Description

Writes the given string up to a maximum given length to a given user memory address. Reports an error on string copy fault. Requires the use of guru mode (-g).

Chapter 27. Guru tapsets

Functions to deliberately interfere with the system's behavior, in order to inject faults or improve observability. All the functions in this tapset require the use of guru mode (-g).

function::mdelay

function::mdelay — millisecond delay

Synopsis

mdelay(ms:long)

Arguments

ms Number of milliseconds to delay.

Description

This function inserts a multi-millisecond busy-delay into a probe handler. It requires guru mode.

function::panic

function::panic — trigger a panic

Synopsis

panic(msg:string)

Arguments

msg message to pass to kernel's panic function

Description

This function triggers an immediate panic of the running kernel with a user-specified panic message. It requires guru mode.

function::raise

function::raise — raise a signal in the current thread

Synopsis

raise(signo:long)

Arguments

signo signal number

Description

This function calls the kernel send_sig routine on the current thread, with the given raw unchecked signal number. It may raise an error if send_sig failed. It requires guru mode.

function::udelay

function::udelay — microsecond delay

Synopsis

udelay(us:long)

Arguments

us Number of microseconds to delay.

Description

This function inserts a multi-microsecond busy-delay into a probe handler. It requires guru mode.

Chapter 28. A collection of standard string functions

Functions to get the length, a substring, getting at individual characters, string seaching, escaping, tokenizing, and converting strings to longs.

function::isdigit

function::isdigit — Checks for a digit

Synopsis

isdigit:long(str:string)

Arguments

str string to check

Description

Checks for a digit (0 through 9) as the first character of a string. Returns non-zero if true, and a zero if false.

function::isinstr

function::isinstr — Returns whether a string is a substring of another string

Synopsis

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isinstr:long(s1:string,s2:string)
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Arguments

- \$1 string to search in
- s2 substring to find

Description

This function returns 1 if string \$1 contains \$2, otherwise zero.

function::matched

function::matched — Return a given matched subexpression.

Synopsis

matched:string(n:long)

Arguments

n index to the subexpression to return. 0 corresponds to the entire regular expression.

Description

returns the content of the n'th subexpression of the last successful use of the $=\sim$ regex matching operator. Returns an empty string if the n'th subexpression was not matched (e.g. due to alternation). Throws an error if the last use of $=\sim$ was a failed match, or if fewer than n subexpressions are present in the original regexp.

function::matched_str

function::matched_str — Return the last matched string.

Synopsis

matched_str:string()

Arguments

None

Description

returns the string matched by the last successful use of the $=\sim$ regexp matching operator. Returns an error if the last use of $=\sim$ led to a failed match.

function::ngroups

function::ngroups — Number of subexpressions in the last match.

Synopsis

ngroups:long()

Arguments

None

Description

returns the number of subexpressions from the last successful use of the =~ regex matching operator.

Note that this number includes subexpressions which are present in the regex but did not match any string; for example, given the regex "a|(b)", the subexpressions will count the group for (b) regardless of whether it matched a string or not. Throws an error if the last use of $=\sim$ was a failed match.

function::str_replace

function::str_replace — str_replace Replaces all instances of a substring with another

Synopsis

str_replace:string(prnt_str:string,srch_str:string,rplc_str:string)

Arguments

Description

This function returns the given string with substrings replaced.

function::string_quoted

function::string_quoted — Quotes a given string

Synopsis

string_quoted:string(str:string)

Arguments

str The kernel address to retrieve the string from

Description

Returns the quoted string version of the given string, with characters where any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string. Note that the string will be surrounded by double quotes.

function::stringat

function::stringat — Returns the char at a given position in the string

Synopsis

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stringat:long(str:string,pos:long)
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Arguments

str the string to fetch the character from

pos the position to get the character from (first character is 0)

Description

This function returns the character at a given position in the string or zero if the string doesn't have as many characters. Reports an error if pos is out of bounds.

function::strlen

function::strlen — Returns the length of a string

Synopsis

strlen:long(s:string)

Arguments

s the string

Description

This function returns the length of the string, which can be zero up to MAXSTRINGLEN.

function::strpos

function::strpos — Returns location of a substring within another string

Synopsis

strpos:long(s1:string,s2:string)

Arguments

- \$1 string to search in
- s2 substring to find

Description

This function returns location of the first occurence of string s2 within s1, namely the return value is 0 in case s2 is a prefix of s1. If s2 is not a substring of s1, then the return value is -1.

function::strtol

function::strtol — strtol - Convert a string to a long

Synopsis

strtol:long(str:string,base:long)

Arguments

str string to convert

base the base to use

Description

This function converts the string representation of a number to an integer. The base parameter indicates the number base to assume for the string (eg. 16 for hex, 8 for octal, 2 for binary).

function::substr

function::substr — Returns a substring

Synopsis

substr:string(str:string,start:long,length:long)

Arguments

str the string to take a substring from

start starting position of the extracted string (first character is 0)

length length of string to return

Description

Returns the substring of the given string at the given start position with the given length (or smaller if the length of the original string is less than start + length, or length is bigger than MAXSTRINGLEN).

function::text_str

function::text_str — Escape any non-printable chars in a string

Synopsis

text_str:string(input:string)

Arguments

input the string to escape

Description

This function accepts a string argument, and any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string.

function::text_strn

function::text_strn — Escape any non-printable chars in a string

Synopsis

text_strn:string(input:string,len:long,quoted:long)

Arguments

input the string to escape

1en maximum length of string to return (0 implies MAXSTRINGLEN)

quoted put double quotes around the string. If input string is truncated it will have "..." after the

second quote

Description

This function accepts a string of designated length, and any ASCII characters that are not printable are replaced by the corresponding escape sequence in the returned string.

function::tokenize

function::tokenize — Return the next non-empty token in a string

Synopsis

- 1) tokenize:string(delim:string)
- 2) tokenize:string(input:string,delim:string)

Arguments

delim set of characters that delimit the tokens

input string to tokenize. If empty, returns the next non-empty token in the string passed in the

previous call to tokenize.

Description

1) This function returns the next token in the string passed in the previous call to tokenize. If no delimiter is found, the entire remaining input string is * returned. It returns empty when no more tokens are available.

2) This function returns the next non-empty token in the given input string, where the tokens are delimited by characters in the delim string. If the input string is non-empty, it returns the first token. If the input string is empty, it returns the next token in the string passed in the previous call to tokenize. If no delimiter is found, the entire remaining input string is returned. It returns empty when no more tokens are available.

Chapter 29. Utility functions for using ansi control chars in logs

Utility functions for logging using ansi control characters. This lets you manipulate the cursor position and character color output and attributes of log messages.

function::ansi_clear_screen

function::ansi_clear_screen — Move cursor to top left and clear screen.

Synopsis

ansi_clear_screen()

Arguments

None

Description

Sends ansi code for moving cursor to top left and then the ansi code for clearing the screen from the cursor position to the end.

function::ansi_cursor_hide

function::ansi_cursor_hide — Hides the cursor.

Synopsis

ansi_cursor_hide()

Arguments

None

Description

Sends ansi code for hiding the cursor.

function::ansi_cursor_move

function::ansi_cursor_move — Move cursor to new coordinates.

Synopsis

ansi_cursor_move(x:long,y:long)

Arguments

- x Row to move the cursor to.
- y Colomn to move the cursor to.

Description

Sends ansi code for positioning the cursor at row x and column y. Coordinates start at one, (1,1) is the top-left corner.

function::ansi_cursor_restore

function::ansi_cursor_restore — Restores a previously saved cursor position.

Synopsis

ansi_cursor_restore()

Arguments

None

Description

Sends ansi code for restoring the current cursor position previously saved with ansi_cursor_save.

function::ansi_cursor_save

function::ansi_cursor_save — Saves the cursor position.

Synopsis

ansi_cursor_save()

Arguments

None

Description

Sends ansi code for saving the current cursor position.

function::ansi_cursor_show

function::ansi_cursor_show — Shows the cursor.

Synopsis

ansi_cursor_show()

Arguments

None

Description

Sends ansi code for showing the cursor.

function::ansi_new_line

function::ansi_new_line — Move cursor to new line.

Synopsis

ansi_new_line()

Arguments

None

Description

Sends ansi code new line.

function::ansi_reset_color

function::ansi_reset_color — Resets Select Graphic Rendition mode.

Synopsis

ansi_reset_color()

Arguments

None

Description

Sends ansi code to reset foreground, background and color attribute to default values.

function::ansi_set_color

function::ansi_set_color — Set the ansi Select Graphic Rendition mode.

Synopsis

- 1) ansi_set_color(fg:long)
- 2) ansi_set_color(fg:long,bg:long)
- 3) ansi_set_color(fg:long,bg:long,attr:long)

Arguments

fg Foreground color to set.

bg Background color to set.

attr Color attribute to set.

Description

- 1) Sends ansi code for Select Graphic Rendition mode for the given forground color. Black (30), Blue (34), Green (32), Cyan (36), Red (31), Purple (35), Brown (33), Light Gray (37).
- 2) Sends ansi code for Select Graphic Rendition mode for the given forground color, Black (30), Blue (34), Green (32), Cyan (36), Red (31), Purple (35), Brown (33), Light Gray (37) and the given background color, Black (40), Red (41), Green (42), Yellow (43), Blue (44), Magenta (45), Cyan (46), White (47).
- 3) Sends ansi code for Select Graphic Rendition mode for the given forground color, Black (30), Blue (34), Green (32), Cyan (36), Red (31), Purple (35), Brown (33), Light Gray (37), the given background color, Black (40), Red (41), Green (42), Yellow (43), Blue (44), Magenta (45), Cyan (46), White (47) and the color attribute All attributes off (0), Intensity Bold (1), Underline Single (4), Blink Slow (5), Blink Rapid (6), Image Negative (7).

function::indent

function::indent — returns an amount of space to indent

Synopsis

indent:string(delta:long)

Arguments

delta the amount of space added/removed for each call

Description

This function returns a string with appropriate indentation. Call it with a small positive or matching negative delta. Unlike the thread_indent function, the indent does not track individual indent values on a per thread basis.

function::indent_depth

function::indent_depth — returns the global nested-depth

Synopsis

indent_depth:long(delta:long)

Arguments

delta the amount of depth added/removed for each call

Description

This function returns a number for appropriate indentation, similar to indent. Call it with a small positive or matching negative delta. Unlike the thread_indent_depth function, the indent does not track individual indent values on a per thread basis.

function::thread_indent

function::thread_indent — returns an amount of space with the current task information

Synopsis

thread_indent:string(delta:long)

Arguments

delta the amount of space added/removed for each call

Description

This function returns a string with appropriate indentation for a thread. Call it with a small positive or matching negative delta. If this is the real outermost, initial level of indentation, then the function resets the relative timestamp base to zero. The timestamp is as per provided by the __indent_timestamp function, which by default measures microseconds.

function::thread_indent_depth

function::thread_indent_depth — returns the nested-depth of the current task

Synopsis

thread_indent_depth:long(delta:long)

Arguments

delta the amount of depth added/removed for each call

Description

This function returns an integer equal to the nested function-call depth starting from the outermost initial level. This function is useful for saving space (consumed by whitespace) in traces with long nested function calls. Use this function in a similar fashion to thread_indent, i.e., in call-probe, use thread_indent_depth(1) and in return-probe, use thread_indent_depth(-1)

Chapter 30. SystemTap Translator Tapset

This family of user-space probe points is used to probe the operation of the SystemTap translator (**stap**) and run command (**staprun**). The tapset includes probes to watch the various phases of SystemTap and SystemTap's management of instrumentation cache. It contains the following probe points:

probe::stap.cache_add_mod

probe::stap.cache_add_mod — Adding kernel instrumentation module to cache

Synopsis

stap.cache_add_mod

Values

source_path the .ko file is coming from (incl filename)

dest_path the path the .ko file is going to (incl filename)

Description

Fires just before the file is actually moved. Note: if moving fails, cache_add_src and cache_add_nss will not fire.

probe::stap.cache_add_nss

probe::stap.cache_add_nss — Add NSS (Network Security Services) information to cache

Synopsis

stap.cache_add_nss

Values

source_path the path the .sgn file is coming from (incl filename)

Description

Fires just before the file is actually moved. Note: stap must compiled with NSS support; if moving the kernel module fails, this probe will not fire.

probe::stap.cache_add_src

probe::stap.cache_add_src — Adding C code translation to cache

Synopsis

stap.cache_add_src

Values

dest_path the path the .c file is going to (incl filename)

source_path the .c file is coming from (incl filename)

Description

Fires just before the file is actually moved. Note: if moving the kernel module fails, this probe will not fire.

probe::stap.cache_clean

probe::stap.cache_clean — Removing file from stap cache

Synopsis

stap.cache_clean

Values

path the path to the .ko/.c file being removed

Description

Fires just before the call to unlink the module/source file.

probe::stap.cache_get

probe::stap.cache_get — Found item in stap cache

Synopsis

stap.cache_get

Values

module_path the path of the .ko kernel module file

source_path the path of the .c source file

Description

Fires just before the return of get_from_cache, when the cache grab is successful.

probe::stap.pass0

probe::stap.pass0 — Starting stap pass0 (parsing command line arguments)

Synopsis

stap.pass0

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass0 fires after command line arguments have been parsed.

probe::stap.pass0.end

probe::stap.pass0.end — Finished stap pass0 (parsing command line arguments)

Synopsis

stap.pass0.end

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass0.end fires just before the gettimeofday call for pass1.

probe::stap.pass1.end

probe::stap.pass1.end — Finished stap pass1 (parsing scripts)

Synopsis

stap.pass1.end

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass 1.end fires just before the jump to cleanup if $s.last_pass = 1$.

probe::stap.pass1a

probe::stap.pass1a — Starting stap pass1 (parsing user script)

Synopsis

stap.passla

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

passla fires just after the call to gettimeofday, before the user script is parsed.

probe::stap.pass1b

probe::stap.pass1b — Starting stap pass1 (parsing library scripts)

Synopsis

stap.pass1b

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass1b fires just before the library scripts are parsed.

probe::stap.pass2

probe::stap.pass2 — Starting stap pass2 (elaboration)

Synopsis

stap.pass2

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass2 fires just after the call to gettimeofday, just before the call to semantic_pass.

probe::stap.pass2.end

probe::stap.pass2.end — Finished stap pass2 (elaboration)

Synopsis

stap.pass2.end

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass2.end fires just before the jump to cleanup if s.last_pass = 2

probe::stap.pass3

probe::stap.pass3 — Starting stap pass3 (translation to C)

Synopsis

stap.pass3

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass3 fires just after the call to gettimeofday, just before the call to translate_pass.

probe::stap.pass3.end

probe::stap.pass3.end — Finished stap pass3 (translation to C)

Synopsis

stap.pass3.end

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass3.end fires just before the jump to cleanup if s.last_pass = 3

probe::stap.pass4

probe::stap.pass4 — Starting stap pass4 (compile C code into kernel module)

Synopsis

stap.pass4

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass4 fires just after the call to gettimeofday, just before the call to compile_pass.

probe::stap.pass4.end

probe::stap.pass4.end — Finished stap pass4 (compile C code into kernel module)

Synopsis

stap.pass4.end

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass4.end fires just before the jump to cleanup if s.last_pass = 4

probe::stap.pass5

probe::stap.pass5 — Starting stap pass5 (running the instrumentation)

Synopsis

stap.pass5

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass5 fires just after the call to gettimeofday, just before the call to run_pass.

probe::stap.pass5.end

probe::stap.pass5.end — Finished stap pass5 (running the instrumentation)

Synopsis

stap.pass5.end

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass5.end fires just before the cleanup label

probe::stap.pass6

probe::stap.pass6 — Starting stap pass6 (cleanup)

Synopsis

stap.pass6

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass6 fires just after the cleanup label, essentially the same spot as pass5.end

probe::stap.pass6.end

probe::stap.pass6.end — Finished stap pass6 (cleanup)

Synopsis

stap.pass6.end

Values

session the systemtap_session variable s

Description

pass6.end fires just before main's return.

probe::stap.system

probe::stap.system — Starting a command from stap

Synopsis

stap.system

Values

command the command string to be run by posix_spawn (as sh -c <str>)

Description

Fires at the entry of the stap_system command.

probe::stap.system.return

probe::stap.system.return — Finished a command from stap

Synopsis

stap.system.return

Values

ret a return code associated with running waitpid on the spawned process; a non-zero value indicates

Description

Fires just before the return of the stap_system function, after waitpid.

probe::stap.system.spawn

probe::stap.system.spawn — stap spawned new process

Synopsis

stap.system.spawn

Values

ret the return value from posix_spawn

pid the pid of the spawned process

Description

Fires just after the call to posix_spawn.

probe::stapio.receive_control_message

probe::stapio.receive_control_message — Received a control message

Synopsis

stapio.receive_control_message

Values

data a ptr to a binary blob of data sent as the control message

len the length (in bytes) of the data blob

type type of message being send; defined in runtime/transport/transport_msgs.h

Description

Fires just after a message was received and before it's processed.

probe::staprun.insert_module

probe::staprun.insert_module — Inserting SystemTap instrumentation module

Synopsis

staprun.insert_module

Values

path the full path to the .ko kernel module about to be inserted

Description

Fires just before the call to insert the module.

probe::staprun.remove_module

probe::staprun.remove_module — Removing SystemTap instrumentation module

Synopsis

staprun.remove_module

Values

name the stap module name to be removed (without the .ko extension)

Description

Fires just before the call to remove the module.

probe::staprun.send_control_message

probe::staprun.send_control_message — Sending a control message

Synopsis

staprun.send_control_message

Values

type type of message being send; defined in runtime/transport/transport_msgs.hlen the length (in bytes) of the data blobdata a ptr to a binary blob of data sent as the control message

Description

Fires at the beginning of the send_request function.

Chapter 31. Network File Storage Tapsets

This family of probe points is used to probe network file storage functions and operations.

function::nfsderror

function::nfsderror — Convert nfsd error number into string

Synopsis

nfsderror:string(err:long)

Arguments

err errnum

Description

This function returns a string for the error number passed into the function.

probe::nfs.aop.readpage

probe::nfs.aop.readpage — NFS client synchronously reading a page

Synopsis

nfs.aop.readpage

Values

__page the address of page

i_flag file flags

size number of pages to be read in this execution

i_size file length in bytes

dev device identifier

file file argument

rsize read size (in bytes)

inode number

sb_flag super block flags

page_index offset within mapping, can used a page identifier and position identifier in the

page frame

Description

Read the page over, only fires when a previous async read operation failed

probe::nfs.aop.readpages

probe::nfs.aop.readpages — NFS client reading multiple pages

Synopsis

nfs.aop.readpages

Values

 dev
 device identifier

 nr_pages
 number of pages attempted to read in this execution

 size
 number of pages attempted to read in this execution

 rpages
 read size (in pages)

 rsize
 read size (in bytes)

 ino
 inode number

Description

file

Fires when in readahead way, read several pages once

filp argument

probe::nfs.aop.release_page

 $probe::nfs.aop.release_page -- NFS\ client\ releasing\ page$

Synopsis

nfs.aop.release_page

Values

inode number

page_index offset within mapping, can used a page identifier and position identifier in the

page frame

size release pages

__page the address of page

dev device identifier

Description

Fires when do a release operation on NFS.

probe::nfs.aop.set_page_dirty

probe::nfs.aop.set_page_dirty — NFS client marking page as dirty

Synopsis

nfs.aop.set_page_dirty

Values

__page the address of page

page_flag page flags

Description

This probe attaches to the generic <u>__set_page_dirty_nobuffers</u> function. Thus, this probe is going to fire on many other file systems in addition to the NFS client.

probe::nfs.aop.write_begin

probe::nfs.aop.write_begin — NFS client begin to write data

Synopsis

nfs.aop.write_begin

Values

page_index offset within mapping, can used a page identifier and position identifier in the

page frame

inode number

dev device identifier

offset start address of this write operation

__page the address of page

size write bytes

to end address of this write operation

Description

Occurs when write operation occurs on nfs. It prepare a page for writing, look for a request corresponding to the page. If there is one, and it belongs to another file, it flush it out before it tries to copy anything into the page. Also do the same if it finds a request from an existing dropped page

probe::nfs.aop.write_end

probe::nfs.aop.write_end — NFS client complete writing data

Synopsis

nfs.aop.write_end

Values

dev device identifier

offset start address of this write operation

i_size file length in bytes

__page the address of page

size write bytes

to end address of this write operation

i_flag file flags

sb_flag super block flags

page_index offset within mapping, can used a page identifier and position identifier in the

page frame

ino inode number

Description

Fires when do a write operation on nfs, often after prepare_write

Update and possibly write a cached page of an NFS file.

probe::nfs.aop.writepage

probe::nfs.aop.writepage - NFS client writing a mapped page to the NFS server

Synopsis

nfs.aop.writepage

Values

i_size file length in bytes

dev device identifier

i_flag file flags

number of pages to be written in this execution

__page the address of page

page_index offset within mapping, can used a page identifier and position identifier in the

page frame

sb_flag super block flags

i_state inode state flags

ino inode number

wsize write size

for_reclaim a flag of writeback_control, indicates if it's invoked from the page allocator

for_kupdate a flag of writeback_control, indicates if it's a kupdate writeback

Description

The priority of wb is decided by the flags for_reclaim and for_kupdate.

probe::nfs.aop.writepages

probe::nfs.aop.writepages — NFS client writing several dirty pages to the NFS server

Synopsis

nfs.aop.writepages

Values

for_kupdate a flag of writeback_control, indicates if it's a kupdate writeback

ino inode number

for_reclaim a flag of writeback_control, indicates if it's invoked from the page allocator

wsize write size

wpages write size (in pages)

size number of pages attempted to be written in this execution

nr_to_write number of pages attempted to be written in this execution

dev device identifier

Description

The priority of wb is decided by the flags for_reclaim and for_kupdate.

probe::nfs.fop.aio_read

probe::nfs.fop.aio_read — NFS client aio_read file operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.aio_read

Values

ino inode number

cache_valid cache related bit mask flag

pos current position of file

cache_time when we started read-caching this inode

attrtimeo how long the cached information is assumed to be valid. We need to revalidate

the cached attrs for this inode if jiffies - read_cache_jiffies > attrtimeo.

file_name file name

count read bytes

dev device identifier

buf the address of buf in user space

parent_name parent dir name

probe::nfs.fop.aio_write

probe::nfs.fop.aio_write — NFS client aio_write file operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.aio_write

Values

ino inode number

pos offset of the file

count read bytes

file_name file name

dev device identifier

buf the address of buf in user space

parent_name parent dir name

probe::nfs.fop.check_flags

probe::nfs.fop.check_flags — NFS client checking flag operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.check_flags

Values

flag file flag

probe::nfs.fop.flush

probe::nfs.fop.flush — NFS client flush file operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.flush

Values

mode file mode

ino inode number

ndirty number of dirty page

dev device identifier

probe::nfs.fop.fsync

probe::nfs.fop.fsync — NFS client fsync operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.fsync

Values

ino inode number

dev device identifier

ndirty number of dirty pages

probe::nfs.fop.llseek

probe::nfs.fop.llseek - NFS client llseek operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.llseek

Values

whence the position to seek from

whence_str symbolic string representation of the position to seek from

ino inode number

offset the offset of the file will be repositioned

dev device identifier

probe::nfs.fop.lock

probe::nfs.fop.lock — NFS client file lock operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.lock

Values

f1_type lock type

cmd cmd arguments

f1_end ending offset of locked region

fl_start starting offset of locked region

inode number

fl_flag lock flags

dev device identifier

i_mode file type and access rights

probe::nfs.fop.mmap

probe::nfs.fop.mmap — NFS client mmap operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.mmap

Values

vm_start start address within vm_mm

ino inode number

vm_end the first byte after end address within vm_mm

attrtimeo how long the cached information is assumed to be valid. We need to revalidate

the cached attrs for this inode if jiffies - read_cache_jiffies > attrtimeo.

cache_valid cache related bit mask flag

dev device identifier

file_name file name

parent_name parent dir name

buf the address of buf in user space

vm_flag vm flags

cache_time when we started read-caching this inode

probe::nfs.fop.open

probe::nfs.fop.open — NFS client file open operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.open

Values

flag file flag

file_name file name

i_size file length in bytes

dev device identifier

ino inode number

probe::nfs.fop.read

probe::nfs.fop.read — NFS client read operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.read

Values

devname block device name

Description

SystemTap uses the vfs.do_sync_read probe to implement this probe and as a result will get operations other than the NFS client read operations.

probe::nfs.fop.read_iter

probe::nfs.fop.read_iter — NFS client read_iter file operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.read_iter

Values

inode number

attrtimeo how long the cached information is assumed to be valid. We need to revalidate

the cached attrs for this inode if jiffies - read_cache_jiffies > attrtimeo.

cache_time when we started read-caching this inode

cache_valid cache related bit mask flag

pos current position of file

dev device identifier

file_name file name

count read bytes

parent_name parent dir name

probe::nfs.fop.release

probe::nfs.fop.release — NFS client release page operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.release

Values

mode file mode

ino inode number

dev device identifier

probe::nfs.fop.sendfile

probe::nfs.fop.sendfile — NFS client send file operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.sendfile

Values

cache_valid cache related bit mask flag

attrtimeo how long the cached information is assumed to be valid. We need to revalidate

the cached attrs for this inode if jiffies - read_cache_jiffies > attrtimeo.

ino inode number

ppos current position of file

cache_time when we started read-caching this inode

count read bytes

dev device identifier

probe::nfs.fop.write

probe::nfs.fop.write — NFS client write operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.write

Values

devname block device name

Description

SystemTap uses the vfs.do_sync_write probe to implement this probe and as a result will get operations other than the NFS client write operations.

probe::nfs.fop.write_iter

probe::nfs.fop.write_iter — NFS client write_iter file operation

Synopsis

nfs.fop.write_iter

Values

parent_name parent dir name

dev device identifier

count read bytes

file_name file name

pos offset of the file

ino inode number

probe::nfs.proc.commit

probe::nfs.proc.commit — NFS client committing data on server

Synopsis

nfs.proc.commit

Values

size read bytes in this execution

bitmask0 V4 bitmask representing the set of attributes supported on this filesystem

bitmask1 V4 bitmask representing the set of attributes supported on this filesystem

offset the file offset

server_ip IP address of server

prot transfer protocol

version NFS version

Description

All the nfs.proc.commit kernel functions were removed in kernel commit 200baa in December 2006, so these probes do not exist on Linux 2.6.21 and newer kernels.

Fires when client writes the buffered data to disk. The buffered data is asynchronously written by client earlier. The commit function works in sync way. This probe point does not exist in NFSv2.

probe::nfs.proc.commit_done

probe::nfs.proc.commit_done — NFS client response to a commit RPC task

Synopsis

nfs.proc.commit_done

Values

prot transfer protocol

server_ip IP address of server

timestamp V4 timestamp, which is used for lease renewal

version NFS version

valid fattr->valid, indicates which fields are valid

status result of last operation

count number of bytes committed

Description

Fires when a reply to a commit RPC task is received or some commit operation error occur (timeout or socket shutdown).

probe::nfs.proc.commit_setup

probe::nfs.proc.commit_setup — NFS client setting up a commit RPC task

Synopsis

nfs.proc.commit_setup

Values

offset the file offset

version NFS version

prot transfer protocol

server_ip IP address of server

bitmask0 V4 bitmask representing the set of attributes supported on this filesystem

size bytes in this commit

count bytes in this commit

bitmask1 V4 bitmask representing the set of attributes supported on this filesystem

Description

The commit_setup function is used to setup a commit RPC task. Is is not doing the actual commit operation. It does not exist in NFSv2.

probe::nfs.proc.create

probe::nfs.proc.create — NFS client creating file on server

Synopsis

nfs.proc.create

Values

flag indicates create mode (only for NFSv3 and NFSv4)

version NFS version (the function is used for all NFS version)

server_ip IP address of server

prot transfer protocol

filename file name

filelen length of file name

fh file handle of parent dir

probe::nfs.proc.handle_exception

probe::nfs.proc.handle_exception — NFS client handling an NFSv4 exception

Synopsis

nfs.proc.handle_exception

Values

errorcode

indicates the type of error

Description

This is the error handling routine for processes for NFSv4.

probe::nfs.proc.lookup

probe::nfs.proc.lookup — NFS client opens/searches a file on server

Synopsis

nfs.proc.lookup

Values

filename the name of file which client opens/searches on server

version NFS version

server_ip IP address of server

prot transfer protocol

bitmask0 V4 bitmask representing the set of attributes supported on this filesystem

bitmask1 V4 bitmask representing the set of attributes supported on this filesystem

probe::nfs.proc.open

probe::nfs.proc.open — NFS client allocates file read/write context information

Synopsis

nfs.proc.open

Values

filename file name

server_ip IP address of server

prot transfer protocol

version NFS version (the function is used for all NFS version)

flag file flag

mode file mode

Description

Allocate file read/write context information

probe::nfs.proc.read

probe::nfs.proc.read — NFS client synchronously reads file from server

Synopsis

nfs.proc.read

Values

offset the file offset

prot transfer protocol

server_ip IP address of server

version NFS version

flags used to set task->tk_flags in rpc_init_task function

count read bytes in this execution

Description

All the nfs.proc.read kernel functions were removed in kernel commit 8e0969 in December 2006, so these probes do not exist on Linux 2.6.21 and newer kernels.

probe::nfs.proc.read_done

probe::nfs.proc.read_done — NFS client response to a read RPC task

Synopsis

nfs.proc.read_done

Values

status result of last operation

prot transfer protocol

server_ip IP address of server

timestamp V4 timestamp, which is used for lease renewal

version NFS version

count number of bytes read

Description

Fires when a reply to a read RPC task is received or some read error occurs (timeout or socket shutdown).

probe::nfs.proc.read_setup

probe::nfs.proc.read_setup — NFS client setting up a read RPC task

Synopsis

nfs.proc.read_setup

Values

prot transfer protocol

server_ip IP address of server

version NFS version

offset the file offset

count read bytes in this execution

size read bytes in this execution

Description

The read_setup function is used to setup a read RPC task. It is not doing the actual read operation.

probe::nfs.proc.release

probe::nfs.proc.release — NFS client releases file read/write context information

Synopsis

nfs.proc.release

Values

mode file mode

prot transfer protocol

server_ip IP address of server

flag file flag

version NFS version (the function is used for all NFS version)

filename file name

Description

Release file read/write context information

probe::nfs.proc.remove

probe::nfs.proc.remove — NFS client removes a file on server

Synopsis

nfs.proc.remove

Values

filename file name

version NFS version (the function is used for all NFS version)

server_ip IP address of server

prot transfer protocol

fh file handle of parent dir

filelen length of file name

probe::nfs.proc.rename

probe::nfs.proc.rename — NFS client renames a file on server

Synopsis

nfs.proc.rename

Values

prot transfer protocol

old_filelen length of old file name

server_ip IP address of server

version NFS version (the function is used for all NFS version)

new_filelen length of new file name

new_name new file name

new_fh file handle of new parent dir

old_name old file name

old_fh file handle of old parent dir

probe::nfs.proc.rename_done

probe::nfs.proc.rename_done — NFS client response to a rename RPC task

Synopsis

nfs.proc.rename_done

Values

status result of last operation

timestamp V4 timestamp, which is used for lease renewal

server_ip IP address of server

prot transfer protocol

version NFS version

old_fh file handle of old parent dir

new_fh file handle of new parent dir

Description

Fires when a reply to a rename RPC task is received or some rename error occurs (timeout or socket shutdown).

probe::nfs.proc.rename_setup

probe::nfs.proc.rename_setup — NFS client setting up a rename RPC task

Synopsis

nfs.proc.rename_setup

Values

version NFS version

server_ip IP address of server

prot transfer protocol

fh file handle of parent dir

Description

The rename_setup function is used to setup a rename RPC task. Is is not doing the actual rename operation.

probe::nfs.proc.write

probe::nfs.proc.write — NFS client synchronously writes file to server

Synopsis

nfs.proc.write

Values

server_ip IP address of server

prot transfer protocol

version NFS version

offset the file offset

bitmask1 V4 bitmask representing the set of attributes supported on this filesystem

bitmask0 V4 bitmask representing the set of attributes supported on this filesystem

size read bytes in this execution

flags used to set task->tk_flags in rpc_init_task function

Description

All the nfs.proc.write kernel functions were removed in kernel commit 200baa in December 2006, so these probes do not exist on Linux 2.6.21 and newer kernels.

probe::nfs.proc.write_done

probe::nfs.proc.write_done — NFS client response to a write RPC task

Synopsis

nfs.proc.write_done

Values

count number of bytes written

version NFS version

timestamp V4 timestamp, which is used for lease renewal

server_ip IP address of server

prot transfer protocol

status result of last operation

valid fattr->valid, indicates which fields are valid

Description

Fires when a reply to a write RPC task is received or some write error occurs (timeout or socket shutdown).

probe::nfs.proc.write_setup

probe::nfs.proc.write_setup — NFS client setting up a write RPC task

Synopsis

nfs.proc.write_setup

Values

offset the file offset

prot transfer protocol

server_ip IP address of server

how used to set args.stable. The stable value could be:

NFS_UNSTABLE,NFS_DATA_SYNC,NFS_FILE_SYNC (in

nfs.proc3.write_setup and nfs.proc4.write_setup)

version NFS version

size bytes written in this execution

bitmask0 V4 bitmask representing the set of attributes supported on this filesystem

bitmask1 V4 bitmask representing the set of attributes supported on this filesystem

count bytes written in this execution

Description

The write_setup function is used to setup a write RPC task. It is not doing the actual write operation.

probe::nfsd.close

probe::nfsd.close — NFS server closing a file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.close

Values

filename file name

Description

This probe point does not exist in kernels starting with 4.2.

probe::nfsd.commit

probe::nfsd.commit — NFS server committing all pending writes to stable storage

Synopsis

nfsd.commit

Values

flag indicates whether this execution is a sync operation

fh file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

size read bytes

count read bytes

offset the offset of file

probe::nfsd.create

probe::nfsd.create — NFS server creating a file(regular,dir,device,fifo) for client

Synopsis

nfsd.create

Values

iap_valid Attribute flags

file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

iap_mode file access mode

filename filename

filelen the length of file name

type file type(regular,dir,device,fifo ...)

Description

Sometimes nfsd will call nfsd_create_v3 instead of this this probe point.

probe::nfsd.createv3

probe::nfsd.createv3 — NFS server creating a regular file or set file attributes for client

Synopsis

nfsd.createv3

Values

create mode create mode .The possible values could be: NFS3_CREATE_EXCLUSIVE,

NFS3_CREATE_UNCHECKED, or NFS3_CREATE_GUARDED

verifier file attributes (atime,mtime,mode). It's used to reset file attributes for

CREATE_EXCLUSIVE

filename file name

truncp trunp arguments, indicates if the file shouldbe truncate

filelen the length of file name

iap_valid Attribute flags

fh file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

iap_mode file access mode

Description

This probepoints is only called by nfsd3_proc_create and nfsd4_open when op_claim_type is NFS4_OPEN_CLAIM_NULL.

probe::nfsd.dispatch

probe::nfsd.dispatch — NFS server receives an operation from client

Synopsis

nfsd.dispatch

Values

proto transfer protocol

xid transmission id

proc procedure number

prog program number

version nfs version

probe::nfsd.lookup

probe::nfsd.lookup — NFS server opening or searching file for a file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.lookup

Values

filelen the length of file name

filename filename

file handle of parent dir(the first part is the length of the file handle)

probe::nfsd.open

probe::nfsd.open — NFS server opening a file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.open

Values

file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

type type of file (regular file or dir)

access indicates the type of open (read/write/commit/readdir...)

probe::nfsd.proc.commit

probe::nfsd.proc.commit — NFS server performing a commit operation for client

Synopsis

nfsd.proc.commit

Values

gid requester's group id

file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

size read bytes

version nfs version

offset the offset of file

uid requester's user id

count read bytes

proto transfer protocol

probe::nfsd.proc.create

probe::nfsd.proc.create — NFS server creating a file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.proc.create

Values

proto transfer protocol

uid requester's user id

version nfs version

file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

gid requester's group id

filename file name

filelen length of file name

probe::nfsd.proc.lookup

probe::nfsd.proc.lookup — NFS server opening or searching for a file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.proc.lookup

Values

gid requester's group id

file handle of parent dir (the first part is the length of the file handle)

filename file name

version nfs version

proto transfer protocol

uid requester's user id

filelen the length of file name

probe::nfsd.proc.read

probe::nfsd.proc.read — NFS server reading file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.proc.read

Values

vec struct kvec, includes buf address in kernel address and length of each buffer

fh file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

size read bytes

vlen read blocks

uid requester's user id

count read bytes

proto transfer protocol

version nfs version

offset the offset of file

gid requester's group id

probe::nfsd.proc.remove

probe::nfsd.proc.remove — NFS server removing a file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.proc.remove

Values

version nfs version

proto transfer protocol

uid requester's user id

filelen length of file name

gid requester's group id

filename file name

file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

probe::nfsd.proc.rename

probe::nfsd.proc.rename — NFS Server renaming a file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.proc.rename

Values

tfh file handler of new path

uid requester's user id

tname new file name

tlen length of new file name

flen length of old file name

fh file handler of old path

gid requester's group id

filename old file name

client_ip the ip address of client

probe::nfsd.proc.write

probe::nfsd.proc.write — NFS server writing data to file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.proc.write

Values

vec struct kvec, includes buf address in kernel address and length of each buffer

file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

size read bytes

vlen read blocks

client_ip the ip address of client

gid requester's group id

count read bytes

uid requester's user id

proto transfer protocol

version nfs version

offset the offset of file

stable argp->stable

probe::nfsd.read

probe::nfsd.read — NFS server reading data from a file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.read

Values

size read bytes

file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

vec struct kvec, includes buf address in kernel address and length of each buffer

file argument file, indicates if the file has been opened.

vlen read blocks

offset the offset of file

count read bytes

probe::nfsd.rename

probe::nfsd.rename — NFS server renaming a file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.rename

Values

fh file handler of old path

flen length of old file name

filename old file name

tfh file handler of new path

tlen length of new file name

tname new file name

probe::nfsd.unlink

probe::nfsd.unlink — NFS server removing a file or a directory for client

Synopsis

nfsd.unlink

Values

filename file name

filelen the length of file name

file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

type file type (file or dir)

probe::nfsd.write

probe::nfsd.write — NFS server writing data to a file for client

Synopsis

nfsd.write

Values

file argument file, indicates if the file has been opened.

vlen read blocks

size read bytes

vec struct kvec, includes buf address in kernel address and length of each buffer

file handle (the first part is the length of the file handle)

offset the offset of file

count read bytes

Chapter 32. Speculation

This family of functions provides the ability to speculative record information and then at a later point in the SystemTap script either commit the information or discard it.

function::commit

function::commit — Write out all output related to a speculation buffer

Synopsis

commit(id:long)

Arguments

id of the buffer to store the information in

Description

Output all the output for *id* in the order that it was entered into the speculative buffer by speculative.

function::discard

function::discard — Discard all output related to a speculation buffer

Synopsis

discard(id:long)

Arguments

id of the buffer to store the information in

function::speculate

function::speculate — Store a string for possible output later

Synopsis

speculate(id:long,output:string)

Arguments

id buffer id to store the information in

output string to write out when commit occurs

Description

Add a string to the speculaive buffer for id.

function::speculation

function::speculation — Allocate a new id for speculative output

Synopsis

speculation:long()

Arguments

None

Description

The speculation function is called when a new speculation buffer is needed. It returns an id for the speculative output. There can be multiple threads being speculated on concurrently. This id is used by other speculation functions to keep the threads separate.

Chapter 33. JSON Tapset

This family of probe points, functions, and macros is used to output data in JSON format. It contains the following probe points, functions, and macros:

function::json_add_array

function::json_add_array — Add an array

Synopsis

json_add_array:long(name:string,description:string)

Arguments

name The name of the array.

description Array description. An empty string can be used.

Description

This function adds a array, setting up everything needed. Arrays contain other metrics, added with json_add_array_numeric_metric or json_add_array_string_metric.

function::json_add_array_numeric_metric

function::json_add_array_numeric_metric — Add a numeric metric to an array

Synopsis

json_add_array_numeric_metric:long(array_name:string,metric_name:string,metric

Arguments

array_name The name of the array the numeric metric should be added to.

metric_name The name of the numeric metric.

metric_description Metric description. An empty string can be used.

metric_units Metic units. An empty string can be used.

Description

This function adds a numeric metric to an array, setting up everything needed.

function::json_add_array_string_metric

function::json_add_array_string_metric — Add a string metric to an array

Synopsis

json_add_array_string_metric:long(array_name:string,metric_name:string,metric_

Arguments

array_name The name of the array the string metric should be added to.

metric_name The name of the string metric.

metric_description Metric description. An empty string can be used.

Description

This function adds a string metric to an array, setting up everything needed.

function::json_add_numeric_metric

function::json_add_numeric_metric — Add a numeric metric

Synopsis

json_add_numeric_metric:long(name:string,description:string,units:string)

Arguments

name The name of the numeric metric.

description Metric description. An empty string can be used.

units Metic units. An empty string can be used.

Description

This function adds a numeric metric, setting up everything needed.

function::json_add_string_metric

function::json_add_string_metric — Add a string metric

Synopsis

json_add_string_metric:long(name:string,description:string)

Arguments

name The name of the string metric.

description Metric description. An empty string can be used.

Description

This function adds a string metric, setting up everything needed.

function::json_set_prefix

function::json_set_prefix — Set the metric prefix.

Synopsis

json_set_prefix:long(prefix:string)

Arguments

prefix The prefix name to be used.

Description

This function sets the "prefix", which is the name of the base of the metric hierarchy. Calling this function is optional, by default the name of the systemtap module is used.

macro::json_output_array_numeric_value

macro::json_output_array_numeric_value — Output a numeric value for metric in an array.

Synopsis

@json_output_array_numeric_value(array_name,array_index,metric_name,value)

Arguments

array_name The name of the array.

array_index The array index (as a string) indicating where to store the numeric value.

metric_name The name of the numeric metric.

value The numeric value to output.

Description

The json_output_array_numeric_value macro is designed to be called from the 'json_data' probe in the user's script to output a metric's numeric value that is in an array. This metric should have been added with json_add_array_numeric_metric.

macro::json_output_array_string_value

macro::json_output_array_string_value — Output a string value for metric in an array.

Synopsis

@json_output_array_string_value(array_name,array_index,metric_name,value)

Arguments

array_name The name of the array.

array_index The array index (as a string) indicating where to store the string value.

metric_name The name of the string metric.

value The string value to output.

Description

The json_output_array_string_value macro is designed to be called from the 'json_data' probe in the user's script to output a metric's string value that is in an array. This metric should have been added with json_add_array_string_metric.

macro::json_output_data_end

 $macro::json_output_data_end --- End \ the \ json \ output.$

Synopsis

@json_output_data_end()

Arguments

None

Description

The json_output_data_end macro is designed to be called from the 'json_data' probe from the user's script. It marks the end of the JSON output.

macro::json_output_data_start

 $macro::json_output_data_start --- Start \ the \ json \ output.$

Synopsis

@json_output_data_start()

Arguments

None

Description

The json_output_data_start macro is designed to be called from the 'json_data' probe from the user's script. It marks the start of the JSON output.

macro::json_output_numeric_value

macro::json_output_numeric_value — Output a numeric value.

Synopsis

@json_output_numeric_value(name,value)

Arguments

name The name of the numeric metric.

value The numeric value to output.

Description

The json_output_numeric_value macro is designed to be called from the 'json_data' probe in the user's script to output a metric's numeric value. This metric should have been added with json_add_numeric_metric.

macro::json_output_string_value

macro::json_output_string_value — Output a string value.

Synopsis

@json_output_string_value(name,value)

Arguments

name The name of the string metric.

value The string value to output.

Description

The json_output_string_value macro is designed to be called from the 'json_data' probe in the user's script to output a metric's string value. This metric should have been added with json_add_string_metric.

probe::json_data

probe::json_data — Fires whenever JSON data is wanted by a reader.

Synopsis

json_data

Values

None

Context

This probe fires when the JSON data is about to be read. This probe must gather up data and then call the following macros to output the data in JSON format. First, @json_output_data_start must be called. That call is followed by one or more of the following (one call for each data item): @json_output_string_value, @json_output_numeric_value, @json_output_array_string_value, and @json_output_array_numeric_value. Finally @json_output_data_end must be called.

Chapter 34. Output file switching Tapset

Utility function to allow switching of output files.

function::switch_file

function::switch_file — switch to the next output file

Synopsis

switch_file()

Arguments

None

Description

This function sends a signal to the stapio process, commanding it to rotate to the next output file when output is sent to file(s).

Chapter 35. Syscall Any Tapset

This family of probe points is designed to provide low cost instrumentation for cases where only the syscall name (or number) and return value are required and there is no need for the detailed syscall argument values. They are restricted versions of syscall.* and syscall.*.return.

probe::syscall_any

probe::syscall_any — Record entry into a syscall

Synopsis

syscall_any

Values

syscall_nr number of the syscall

name name of the syscall

Context

The process performing the syscall

Description

The syscall_any probe point is designed to be a low overhead that monitors all the syscalls entered via a kernel tracepoint. Because of the breadth of syscalls it monitors it provides no information about the syscall arguments or argstr string representation of those arguments.

This requires kernel 3.5+ and newer which have the kernel.trace("sys_enter") probe point.

probe::syscall_any.return

probe::syscall_any.return — Record exit from a syscall

Synopsis

syscall_any.return

Values

name of the syscall

syscall_nr number of the syscall

return value of the syscall

Context

The process performing the syscall

Description

The syscall_any.return probe point is designed to be a low overhead that monitors all the syscalls returns via a kernel tracepoint. Because of the breadth of syscalls it monitors it provides no information about the syscall arguments, argstr string representation of those arguments, or a string interpretation of the return value (retval).

This requires kernel 3.5+ and newer which have the kernel.trace("sys_exit") probe point.