LXC

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Linux Container
Jails on Linux

Why Containers

VM is expensive on calculation resources Using containers have less overheads

Creating LXCs

```
# lxc-create -n playtime -t /usr/share/lxc/templates/lxc-archlinux
DONE!!!
```

You need network!

```
Create a bridge
# cd /etc/netctl
# cp examples/bridge ./
# vim bridge
Assign a IP for it.
# vim /var/lib/lxc/playtime/config
Delete "lxc.network.type = empty"
Add these to the head
 lxc.network.type = veth
   lxc.network.link = br0
   lxc.network.ipv4 = 192.168.X.X/24
   lxc.network.name = eth1
   lxc.network.flags = up
```

Fire it up!

```
# lxc-start -n playtime
# lxc-attach -n playtime
You will login as root in the lxc
```

How does it work?

Namespaces - isolation cgroup - resource management apparmor - permision management

lxc-checkconfig

```
# lxc-checkconfig
 --- Control groups ---
  Cgroup: enabled
  Cgroup clone children flag: enabled
  Cgroup device: enabled
  Cgroup sched: enabled
  Cgroup cpu account: enabled
  Cgroup memory controller: enabled
  Cgroup cpuset: enabled
  --- Misc ---
  Veth pair device: enabled
  Macvlan: enabled
  Vlan: enabled
  Bridges: enabled
  Advanced netfilter: enabled
  CONFIG NF NAT IPV4: enabled
  CONFIG NF NAT IPV6: enabled
  CONFIG IP NF TARGET MASQUERADE: enabled
  CONFIG IP6 NF TARGET MASQUERADE: enabled
  CONFIG NETFILTER XT TARGET CHECKSUM: enabled
  FUSE (for use with lxcfs): enabled
```

Namespaces

UTS namespace
IPC namespace
mount namespace
PID namespace

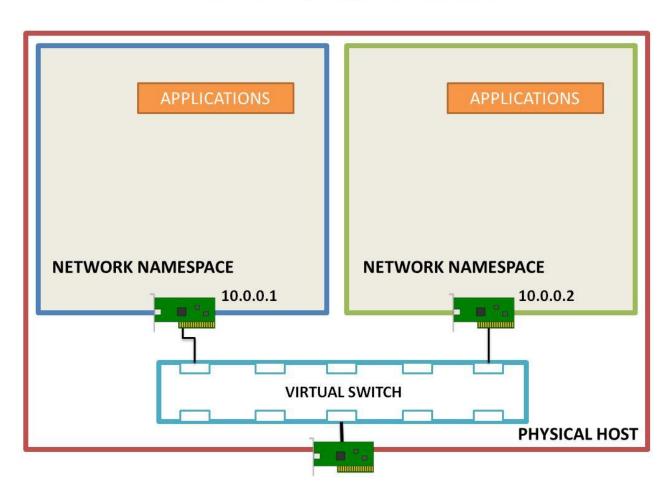
Username space

Check namespace

```
# ls -1 /proc/PID/ns/
 lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 May 26 18:41 ipc -> 'ipc:[4026531839]'
   lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 May 26 18:41 mnt -> 'mnt:[4026531840]'
   lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 May 26 18:41 net -> 'net:[4026531969]'
   lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 May 26 18:41 pid -> 'pid:[4026531836]'
   lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 May 26 18:41 user -> 'user: [4026531837]'
   lrwxrwxrwx 1 root root 0 May 26 18:41 uts -> 'uts:[4026531838]'
```

Network namespace

IN CASE OF NETWORK NAMESPACES



Username namespace

Subuid, subgid

Why username space

underprivileged LXC!

LXC can be started by non root

It means if some process escaped LXC, it still can get root permissions!

Configuring username space

- 1. rebuild the kernel (If your OS not ubuntu)
- 2. edit /etc/suduid /etc/subgid

Using underprivileged LXC

- 1. using lxc-download template
- 2. use root to build rootfs and convert it to underprvileged rootfs

Why need lxc-download?

When creating rootfs we use package managers ex. pacstrap

They often need loop mounting.

But normal user doesn't have mount permissions.

We still need more!

cgroup issue
In linux, there is no cgroup namespace
and procfs cant be mounted by normal user

helper: cgmanager, lxcfs

lxcfs

LXCFS is a simple userspace filesystem designed to work around some current limitations of the Linux kernel.

Specifically, it's providing two main things

- A set of files which can be bind-mounted over their /proc originals
- to provide CGroup-aware values.
- A cgroupfs-like tree which is container aware.

The code is pretty simple, written in C using libfuse and glib.

cgmanager

CGManager is a central privileged daemon that manages all your cgroups for you

through a simple D-Bus API. It's designed to work with nested LXC containers

as well as accepting unprivileged requests including resolving user namespaces UIDs/GIDs.