
Subject: Re: [PATCH 8/8] Per-container pages reclamation
Posted by [Balbir Singh](#) on Tue, 24 Apr 2007 09:47:25 GMT
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Pavel Emelianov wrote:

> Implement `try_to_free_pages_in_container()` to free the
> pages in container that has run out of memory.
>
> The `scan_control->isolate_pages()` function isolates the
> container pages only.
>

Pavel,

I've just started playing around with these patches, I preferred the approach of v1. Please see below

```
> +static unsigned long isolate_container_pages(unsigned long nr_to_scan,  
> + struct list_head *src, struct list_head *dst,  
> + unsigned long *scanned, struct zone *zone)  
> +{  
> + unsigned long nr_taken = 0;  
> + struct page *page;  
> + struct page_container *pc;  
> + unsigned long scan;  
> + LIST_HEAD(pc_list);  
> +  
> + for (scan = 0; scan < nr_to_scan && !list_empty(src); scan++) {  
> + pc = list_entry(src->prev, struct page_container, list);  
> + page = pc->page;  
> + if (page_zone(page) != zone)  
> + continue;
```

`shrink_zone()` will walk all pages looking for pages belonging to this container and this slows down the reclaim quite a bit. Although we've reused code, we've ended up walking the entire list of the zone to find pages belonging to a particular container, this was the same problem I had with my RSS controller patches.

```
> +  
> + list_move(&pc->list, &pc_list);  
> +
```

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Warm Regards,
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