
Subject: Re: [BUGFIX][RFC][PATCH][only -mm] FIX memory leak in memory cgroup vs. page migration [1/1] fix pag

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KAMEZAWA Hiroyuki wrote:

> While using memory control cgroup, page-migration under it works as following.

> ==

> 1. uncharge all refs at try to unmap.

> 2. charge regs again remove_migration_ptes()

> ==

> This is simple but has following problems.

> ==

> The page is uncharged and charged back again if *mapped*.

> - This means that cgroup before migration can be different from one after

> migration

> From the test case mentioned earlier, this happens because the task has moved from one cgroup to another, right?

> - If page is not mapped but charged as page cache, charge is just ignored

> (because not mapped, it will not be uncharged before migration)

OK. This is an interesting situation, we uncharge page cache only in `__remove_from_page_cache()`. This is a combination of task migration followed by page migration, which the memory controller does not handle very well at the moment.

> This is memory leak.

Yes, it is.

> ==

> This is bad.

Absolutely!

> And migration can migrate *not mapped* pages in future by migration-by-kernel

> driven by memory-unplug and defragment-by-migration at el.

>

> This patch tries to keep memory cgroup at page migration by increasing

> one refcnt during it. 3 functions are added.

> `mem_cgroup_prepare_migration()` --- increase refcnt of `page->page_cgroup`

> `mem_cgroup_end_migration()` --- decrease refcnt of `page->page_cgroup`

> `mem_cgroup_page_migration()` --- copy `page->page_cgroup` from old page to

> new page.

>

> Obviously, `mem_cgroup_isolate_pages()` and this page migration, which

> copies page_cgroup from old page to new page, has race.
>
> There seem to be 3 ways for avoiding this race.
> A. take mem_group->lock while mem_cgroup_page_migration().
> B. isolate pc from mem_cgroup's LRU when we isolate page from zone's LRU.
> C. ignore non-LRU page at mem_cgroup_isolate_pages().
>
> This patch uses method (C.) and modifies mem_cgroup_isolate_pages() ignores
> !PageLRU pages.
>

The page(s) is(are) !PageLRU only during page migration right?

> Tested and worked well in ia64/NUMA box.
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> ---
> include/linux/memcontrol.h | 22 ++++++
> mm/memcontrol.c | 62 ++++++
> mm/migrate.c | 13 +++++-
> 3 files changed, 90 insertions(+), 7 deletions(-)
>
> Index: linux-2.6.23-rc8-mm2/include/linux/memcontrol.h
> =====
> --- linux-2.6.23-rc8-mm2.orig/include/linux/memcontrol.h
> +++ linux-2.6.23-rc8-mm2/include/linux/memcontrol.h
> @@ -43,8 +43,14 @@ extern unsigned long mem_cgroup_isolate_
> struct mem_cgroup *mem_cont,
> int active);
> extern void mem_cgroup_out_of_memory(struct mem_cgroup *mem, gfp_t gfp_mask);
> +
> extern int mem_cgroup_cache_charge(struct page *page, struct mm_struct *mm,
> gfp_t gfp_mask);
> +/* For handling page migration in proper way */
> +extern void mem_cgroup_prepare_migration(struct page *page);
> +extern void mem_cgroup_end_migration(struct page *page);
> +extern void mem_cgroup_page_migration(struct page *newpage, struct page *page);
> +
>
> static inline struct mem_cgroup *mm_cgroup(const struct mm_struct *mm)
> {
> @@ -107,6 +113,22 @@ static inline struct mem_cgroup *mm_cgro
> return NULL;
> }
>
> +/* For page migration */
> +static inline void mem_cgroup_prepare_migration(struct page *page)

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> +{
> + return;
> +}
> +
> +static inline void mem_cgroup_end_migration(struct mem_cgroup *cgroup)
> +{
> + return;
> +}
> +
> +static inline void
> +mem_cgroup_page_migration(struct page *newpage, struct page *page)
> +{
> + return;
> +}
> #endif /* CONFIG_CGROUP_MEM_CONT */
>
> #endif /* _LINUX_MEMCONTROL_H */
> Index: linux-2.6.23-rc8-mm2/mm/memcontrol.c
> =====
> --- linux-2.6.23-rc8-mm2.orig/mm/memcontrol.c
> +++ linux-2.6.23-rc8-mm2/mm/memcontrol.c
> @@ -198,7 +198,7 @@ unsigned long mem_cgroup_isolate_pages(u
>  unsigned long scan;
>  LIST_HEAD(pc_list);
>  struct list_head *src;
> - struct page_cgroup *pc;
> + struct page_cgroup *pc, *tmp;
>
>  if (active)
>    src = &mem_cont->active_list;
> @@ -206,8 +206,10 @@ unsigned long mem_cgroup_isolate_pages(u
>    src = &mem_cont->inactive_list;
>
>  spin_lock(&mem_cont->lru_lock);
> - for (scan = 0; scan < nr_to_scan && !list_empty(src); scan++) {
> -  pc = list_entry(src->prev, struct page_cgroup, lru);
> + scan = 0;
> + list_for_each_entry_safe_reverse(pc, tmp, src, lru) {
> +  if (scan++ >= nr_to_scan)
> +    break;
>  page = pc->page;
>  VM_BUG_ON(!pc);
>
> @@ -225,9 +227,14 @@ unsigned long mem_cgroup_isolate_pages(u
>  /*
>   * Reclaim, per zone
>   * TODO: make the active/inactive lists per zone
> +  * !PageLRU page can be found under us while migration.

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> + * just ignore it.
> */
> - if (page_zone(page) != z)
> + if (page_zone(page) != z || !PageLRU(page)) {

```

I would prefer to do unlikely(!PageLRU(page)), since most of the times the page is not under migration

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> + /* Skip this */
> + /* Don't decrease scan here for avoiding dead lock */

```

Could we merge the two comments to one block comment?

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> continue;
> + }
>
> /*
> * Check if the meta page went away from under us
> @@ -417,8 +424,14 @@ void mem_cgroup_uncharge(struct page_cgr
> return;
>
> if (atomic_dec_and_test(&pc->ref_cnt)) {
> +retry:
> page = pc->page;
> lock_page_cgroup(page);
> + /* migration occur ? */
> + if (page_get_page_cgroup(page) != pc) {
> + unlock_page_cgroup(page);
> + goto retry;

```

Shouldn't we check if page_get_page_cgroup(page) returns NULL, if so, unlock and return?

```

> + }
> mem = pc->mem_cgroup;
> css_put(&mem->css);
> page_assign_page_cgroup(page, NULL);
> @@ -432,6 +445,47 @@ void mem_cgroup_uncharge(struct page_cgr
> }
> }
>
> +void mem_cgroup_prepare_migration(struct page *page)
> +{
> + struct page_cgroup *pc;
> + lock_page_cgroup(page);
> + pc = page_get_page_cgroup(page);
> + if (pc)
> + atomic_inc(&pc->ref_cnt);

```

```

> + unlock_page_cgroup(page);
> + return;
> +}
> +
> +void mem_cgroup_end_migration(struct page *page)
> +{
> + struct page_cgroup *pc = page_get_page_cgroup(page);
> + mem_cgroup_uncharge(pc);
> +}
> +
> +void mem_cgroup_page_migration(struct page *newpage, struct page *page)
> +{
> + struct page_cgroup *pc;
> + /*
> + * We already keep one reference to paage->cgroup.
> + * and both pages are guaranteed to be locked under page migration.
> + */
> + lock_page_cgroup(page);
> + lock_page_cgroup(newpage);
> + pc = page_get_page_cgroup(page);
> + if (!pc)
> + goto unlock_out;
> + page_assign_page_cgroup(page, NULL);
> + pc->page = newpage;
> + page_assign_page_cgroup(newpage, pc);
> +
> +unlock_out:
> + unlock_page_cgroup(newpage);
> + unlock_page_cgroup(page);
> + return;
> +}
> +
> +
> +
> int mem_cgroup_write_strategy(char *buf, unsigned long long *tmp)
> {
> *tmp = memparse(buf, &buf);
> Index: linux-2.6.23-rc8-mm2/mm/migrate.c
> =====
> --- linux-2.6.23-rc8-mm2.orig/mm/migrate.c
> +++ linux-2.6.23-rc8-mm2/mm/migrate.c
> @@ -598,9 +598,10 @@ static int move_to_new_page(struct page
> else
> rc = fallback_migrate_page(mapping, newpage, page);
>
> - if (!rc)
> + if (!rc) {
> + mem_cgroup_page_migration(newpage, page);

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> remove_migration_ptes(page, newpage);
> - else
> + } else
> newpage->mapping = NULL;
>
> unlock_page(newpage);
> @@ -651,6 +652,8 @@ static int unmap_and_move(new_page_t get
> rcu_read_lock();
> rcu_locked = 1;
> }
> + mem_cgroup_prepare_migration(page);
> +
> /*
> * This is a corner case handling.
> * When a new swap-cache is read into, it is linked to LRU
> @@ -666,8 +669,12 @@ static int unmap_and_move(new_page_t get
> if (!page_mapped(page))
> rc = move_to_new_page(newpage, page);
>
> - if (rc)
> + if (rc) {
> remove_migration_ptes(page, page);
> + mem_cgroup_end_migration(page);
> + } else
> + mem_cgroup_end_migration(newpage);
> +
> rcu_unlock:
> if (rcu_locked)
> rcu_read_unlock();
>

```

Looks good so far, even though I am yet to test. It looks like a tough problem to catch and debug. Thanks!

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