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Subject: Re: [BUGFIX][RFC][PATCH][only -mm] FIX memory leak in memory cgroup vs. page migration [1/1] fix pag  
Posted by [KAMEZAWA Hiroyuki](#) on Wed, 03 Oct 2007 00:53:09 GMT  
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On Tue, 02 Oct 2007 21:04:40 +0530  
Balbir Singh <balbir@linux.vnet.ibm.com> wrote:

> 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 chaged back again if \*mapped\*.

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

> > migraion

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> >From the test case mentioned earlier, this happens because the task has

> moved from one cgroup to another, right?

Ah, yes.

> > 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.

> >

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

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Hmm...!PageLRU() means that page is not on LRU.
Then, kswapd can remove a page from LRU.

> > - 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
>
I see.

> > + /* Skip this */
> > + /* Don't decrease scan here for avoiding dead lock */
>
> Could we merge the two comments to one block comment?
>
will do

> > 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?
Hmm, I think page_get_page_cgroup(page) != pc covers it. pc is not NULL.

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Thanks,  
-Kame

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