
Subject: Re: [PATCH] memory.swappiness

Posted by [Balbir Singh](#) on Mon, 03 Dec 2007 03:25:30 GMT

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YAMAMOTO Takashi wrote:

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> here's a trivial patch to implement memory.swappiness,
> which controls swappiness for cgroup memory reclamation.
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> it's against 2.6.24-rc3-mm2.
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> --- linux-2.6.24-rc3-mm2-swappiness/include/linux/memcontrol.h.BACKUP 2007-12-03
11:49:27.176669111 +0900
> +++ linux-2.6.24-rc3-mm2-swappiness/include/linux/memcontrol.h 2007-12-03
10:00:29.049448425 +0900
> @@ -46,6 +46,7 @@ extern void mem_cgroup_out_of_memory(str
> extern int mem_cgroup_cache_charge(struct page *page, struct mm_struct *mm,
>     gfp_t gfp_mask);
> int task_in_mem_cgroup(struct task_struct *task, const struct mem_cgroup *mem);
> +extern int mem_cgroup_swappiness(struct mem_cgroup *mem);
>
> static inline struct mem_cgroup *mm_cgroup(const struct mm_struct *mm)
> {
> --- linux-2.6.24-rc3-mm2-swappiness/mm/vmscan.c.BACKUP 2007-12-03 07:49:00.000000000
+0900
> +++ linux-2.6.24-rc3-mm2-swappiness/mm/vmscan.c 2007-12-03 10:01:57.559803379 +0900
> @@ -1030,7 +1030,7 @@ static int calc_reclaim_mapped(struct sc
> /*
>   * Max temporary value is vm_total_pages*100.
> */
> - imbalance *= (vm_swappiness + 1);
> + imbalance *= (sc->swappiness + 1);
>   imbalance /= 100;
>
> /*
> @@ -1445,7 +1445,7 @@ unsigned long try_to_free_mem_cgroup_pag
>   .may_writepage = !laptop_mode,
>   .may_swap = 1,
>   .swap_cluster_max = SWAP_CLUSTER_MAX,
> - .swappiness = vm_swappiness,
> + .swappiness = mem_cgroup_swappiness(mem_cont),
>   .order = 0,
>   .mem_cgroup = mem_cont,
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> .isolate_pages = mem_cgroup_isolate_pages,
> --- linux-2.6.24-rc3-mm2-swappiness/mm/memcontrol.c.BACKUP 2007-12-03
07:49:00.000000000 +0900
> +++ linux-2.6.24-rc3-mm2-swappiness/mm/memcontrol.c 2007-12-03 11:22:40.157163781
+0900
> @@ -133,6 +133,7 @@ struct mem_cgroup {
>
>     unsigned long control_type; /* control RSS or RSS+Pagecache */
>     int prev_priority; /* for recording reclaim priority */
> +    unsigned int swappiness; /* swappiness */
>     /*
>      * statistics.
>     */
> @@ -1077,7 +1078,23 @@ static int mem_control_stat_open(struct
>     return single_open(file, mem_control_stat_show, cont);
> }
>
> +static int mem_cgroup_swappiness_write(struct cgroup *cont, struct cftype *cft,
> +    u64 val)
> +{
> +    struct mem_cgroup *mem = mem_cgroup_from_cont(cont);
> +
> +    if (val > 100)
> +        return -EINVAL;
> +    mem->swappiness = val;
> +    return 0;
> +}
> +
> +static u64 mem_cgroup_swappiness_read(struct cgroup *cont, struct cftype *cft)
> +{
> +    struct mem_cgroup *mem = mem_cgroup_from_cont(cont);
>
> +    return mem->swappiness;
> +}
>
> static struct cftype mem_cgroup_files[] = {
> {
> @@ -1110,8 +1127,21 @@ static struct cftype mem_cgroup_files[]
>     .name = "stat",
>     .open = mem_control_stat_open,
> },
> +
> +    .name = "swappiness",
> +    .write_uint = mem_cgroup_swappiness_write,
> +    .read_uint = mem_cgroup_swappiness_read,
> +},
> +};
>
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> /* XXX probably it's better to move try_to_free_mem_cgroup_pages to
> + memcontrol.c and kill this */
> +int mem_cgroup_swappiness(struct mem_cgroup *mem)
> +{
> +
> + return mem->swappiness;
> +}
> +
> static int alloc_mem_cgroup_per_zone_info(struct mem_cgroup *mem, int node)
> {
>     struct mem_cgroup_per_node *pn;
> @@ -1155,6 +1185,8 @@ mem_cgroup_create(struct cgroup_subsys *
>     res_counter_init(&mem->res);
>
>     mem->control_type = MEM_CGROUP_TYPE_ALL;
> + mem->swappiness = 60; /* XXX probably should inherit a value from
> + either parent cgroup or global vm_swappiness */
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I prefer inheriting from the parent, but since our hierarchy support needs work (changes to res_counter to support actual hierarchies), I would prefer using global vm_swappiness.

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>     memset(&mem->info, 0, sizeof(mem->info));
>
>     for_each_node_state(node, N_POSSIBLE)
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I like this patch very much

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