Subject: Re: [RFC] Virtualization steps Posted by Herbert Poetzl on Thu, 13 Apr 2006 01:05:06 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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On Wed, Apr 12, 2006 at 12:28:56PM +0400, Kirill Korotaev wrote:
> Sam.
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> >Ok, I'll call those three VPSes fast, faster and fastest.
> >"fast" : fill rate 1, interval 3
> >"faster": fill rate 2, interval 3
> >"fastest" : fill rate 3, interval 3
> >
>>That all adds up to a fill rate of 6 with an interval of 3, but that is
> >right because with two processors you have 2 tokens to allocate per
> >jiffie. Also set the bucket size to something of the order of HZ.
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>>You can watch the processes within each vserver's priority jump up and
> >down with `vtop' during testing. Also you should be able to watch the
> >vserver's bucket fill and empty in /proc/virtual/XXX/sched (IIRC)
>>I mentioned this earlier, but for the sake of the archives I'll repeat -
> >if you are running with any of the buckets on empty, the scheduler is
> >imbalanced and therefore not going to provide the exact distribution you
> >asked for.
> >
> >However with a single busy loop in each vserver I'd expect the above to
> yield roughly 100% for fastest, 66% for faster and 33% for fast, within
>>5 seconds or so of starting those processes (assuming you set a bucket
> >size of HZ).
> Sam, what we observe is the situation, when Linux cpu scheduler spreads
> 2 tasks on 1st CPU and 1 task on the 2nd CPU. Std linux scheduler
> doesn't do any rebalancing after that, so no plays with tokens make the
> spread to be 3:2:1, since the lowest priority process gets a full 2nd
> CPU (100% instead of 33% of CPU).
> Where is my mistake? Can you provide a configuration where we could test
> or the instuctions on how to avoid this?
well, your mistake seems to be that you probably haven't
tested this yet, because with the following (simple)
setups I seem to get what you consider impossible
(of course, not as precise as your scheduler does it)
vcontext --create --xid 100 ./cpuhog -n 1 100 &
vcontext --create --xid 200 ./cpuhog -n 1 200 &
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vcontext --create --xid 300 ./cpuhog -n 1 300 &
vsched --xid 100 --fill-rate 1 --interval 6
vsched --xid 200 --fill-rate 2 --interval 6
vsched --xid 300 --fill-rate 3 --interval 6
vattribute --xid 100 --flag sched_hard
vattribute --xid 200 --flag sched_hard
vattribute --xid 300 --flag sched hard
 PID USER
              PR NI VIRT RES SHR S %CPU %MEM TIME+ COMMAND
           25 0 1304 248 200 R 74 0.1 0:46.16 /cpuhog -n 1 300
 39 root
 38 root
           25 0 1308 252 200 H 53 0.1 0:34.06 ./cpuhog -n 1 200
 37 root
           25 0 1308 252 200 H 28 0.1 0:19.53 ./cpuhog -n 1 100
            0 0 1804 912 736 R
                                   1 0.4 0:02.14 top -cid 20
 46 root
and here the other way round:
vsched --xid 100 --fill-rate 3 --interval 6
vsched --xid 200 --fill-rate 2 --interval 6
vsched --xid 300 --fill-rate 1 --interval 6
 PID USER
              PR NI VIRT RES SHR S %CPU %MEM TIME+ COMMAND
 36 root
           25 0 1304 248 200 R 75 0.1 0:58.41 ./cpuhog -n 1 100
 37 root
           25 0 1308 252 200 H 54 0.1 0:42.77 ./cpuhog -n 1 200
           25 0 1308 252 200 R 29 0.1 0:25.30 ./cpuhog -n 1 300
 38 root
 45 root
            0 0 1804 912 736 R
                                   1 0.4 0:02.26 top -cid 20
note that this was done on a virtual dual cpu
machine (QEMU 8.0) with 2.6.16-vs2.1.1-rc16 and
that there were roughly 25% idle time, which I'm
unable to explain atm ...
feel free to jump on that fact, but I consider
it unimportant for now ...
best,
Herbert
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> Thanks, > Kirill