Subject: Re: [RFC] memory controller: backgorund reclaim and avoid excessive locking [1/5] high-low watermar Posted by KAMEZAWA Hiroyuki on Thu, 14 Feb 2008 09:10:56 GMT

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On Thu, 14 Feb 2008 14:18:33 +0530
Balbir Singh <balbir@linux.vnet.ibm.com> wrote:
> > If I have to check under lock, please teach me.
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> If there are several processes running in parallel in the same cgroup, the end
> result might not be so nice, specially if the usage is close to the watermarks.
> I suspect that we should be OK for now, but might be worth keeping in mind.
I'll add text somewhere.
> > - counter->usage += val;
          if (newval > counter->hwmark) {
>> + counter->wmark state = RES WMARK ABOVE HIGH;
>> + smp wmb();
> Do we need a barrier here? I suspect not, could you please document as to why a
> barrier is needed?
>
just chainging value with smp_wmb() and read value after smp_rmb().
By this, I think we can expect we can read snapshot value of wmark_state at
smp rmb().
.....I misunderstand that spin_unlock() has no barrier().
ok, I'll remove smp wmb() here.
Thanks,
-Kame
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