Subject: Re: [PATCH 2/7] event: don't divide events if it has field period Posted by avagin on Thu, 17 Nov 2011 08:22:20 GMT

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Hello Peter.

> On 11/09/2011 03:55 PM, Peter Zijlstra wrote:

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>> On Mon, 2011-11-07 at 15:54 +0300, Andrew Vagin wrote:

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>>> This patch solves the following problem:

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- >>> Now some samples may be lost due to throttling. The number of samples is
- >>> restricted by sysctl_perf_event_sample_rate/HZ. A trace event is
- >>> divided on some samples according to event's period. I don't sure, that
- >>> we should generate more than one sample on each trace event. I think the
- >>> better way to use SAMPLE_PERIOD.

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- >> It would be yes, but this code predates that, also it needs to work even
- >> if the user doesn't provide SAMPLE_PERIOD.

I have not understood exactly what I should do now. I'm going to send the third version of this patches. New version contains only a small fix according with the comment for path 4/7. In new version I am not going to fix the problem about which we discussed early. I have some reasons for it:

- * It's another task. My decision is more effective for my task and I believe that exists many cases where my decision may be suitable. I want to say, that it may be in kernel, event if the problem would not exist at all.
- * __perf_count() has been broken for a long time and nobody reports this problem, so we can say, that the problem isn't urgent.
- * Only few events sched:sched_stat_* are affected by this problem.
- * I am not sure, that we should to solve this problem. The "problem" may be not a problem at all. We have ability to customize sample_period and we have events about that some events were throttled.

If you have any objection, send them to me.