
Subject: Re: [PATCH 09/11] memcg: propagate kmem limiting information to children

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On Tue, 26 Jun 2012 02:36:27 +0400

Glauber Costa <glommer@parallels.com> wrote:

> On 06/25/2012 10:29 PM, Tejun Heo wrote:

> > Feeling like a nit pervert but..

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> > On Mon, Jun 25, 2012 at 06:15:26PM +0400, Glauber Costa wrote:

> >> @@ -287,7 +287,11 @@ struct mem_cgroup {

> >> * Should the accounting and control be hierarchical, per subtree?

> >> */

> >> bool use_hierarchy;

> >> - bool kmem_accounted;

> >> + /*

> >> + * bit0: accounted by this cgroup

> >> + * bit1: accounted by a parent.

> >> + */

> >> + volatile unsigned long kmem_accounted;

> >

> > Is the volatile declaration really necessary? Why is it necessary?

> > Why no comment explaining it?

>

> Seems to be required by set_bit and friends. gcc will complain if it is

> not volatile (take a look at the bit function headers)

That would be a broken gcc. We run test_bit()/set_bit() and friends against plain old 'unsigned long' in thousands of places. There's nothing special about this one!
