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Subject: Re: [PATCH v5] slab: Ignore internal flags in cache creation

Posted by [Pekka Enberg](#) on Wed, 31 Oct 2012 07:13:49 GMT

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On Thu, Oct 18, 2012 at 12:07 AM, David Rientjes <[rientjes@google.com](mailto:rientjes@google.com)> wrote:

> On Wed, 17 Oct 2012, Glauber Costa wrote:

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>> Some flags are used internally by the allocators for management  
>> purposes. One example of that is the CFLGS\_OFF\_SLAB flag that slab uses  
>> to mark that the metadata for that cache is stored outside of the slab.

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>> No cache should ever pass those as a creation flags. We can just ignore  
>> this bit if it happens to be passed (such as when duplicating a cache in  
>> the kmem memcg patches).

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>> Because such flags can vary from allocator to allocator, we allow them  
>> to make their own decisions on that, defining SLAB\_AVAILABLE\_FLAGS with  
>> all flags that are valid at creation time. Allocators that doesn't have  
>> any specific flag requirement should define that to mean all flags.

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>> Common code will mask out all flags not belonging to that set.

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>> [ v2: leave the mask out decision up to the allocators ]

>> [ v3: define flags for all allocators ]

>> [ v4: move all definitions to slab.h ]

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Applied, thanks!

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