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Subject: Re: [RFC][PATCH 5/7] UBC: kernel memory accounting (core)

Posted by [dev](#) on Thu, 17 Aug 2006 13:29:43 GMT

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Dave Hansen wrote:

> On Wed, 2006-08-16 at 19:40 +0400, Kirill Korotaev wrote:

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>>--- ./include/linux/mm.h.kmemcore 2006-08-16 19:10:38.000000000

>>+0400

>>+++ ./include/linux/mm.h 2006-08-16 19:10:51.000000000 +0400

>>@@ -274,8 +274,14 @@ struct page {

>> unsigned int gfp\_mask;

>> unsigned long trace[8];

>> #endif

>>+#ifdef CONFIG\_USER\_RESOURCE

>>+ union {

>>+ struct user\_beancounter \*page\_ub;

>>+ } bc;

>>+#endif

>> };

>

>

> Is everybody OK with adding this accounting to the 'struct page'? Is

> there any kind of noticeable performance penalty for this? I thought

> that we had this aligned pretty well on cacheline boundaries.

When I discussed this with Hugh Dickins on summit we agreed

that +4 bytes on page struct for kernel using accounting

are ok and almost unavoidable.

it can be stored not on the struct page, but in this

case you need to introduce some kind of hash to lookup ub

quickly from page, which is slower for accounting-enabled kernels.

> How many things actually use this? Can we have the slab ubcs without

> the struct page pointer?

slab doesn't use this pointer on the page.

It is used for pages allocated by buddy

allocator implicitly (e.g. LDT pages, page tables, ...).

Kirill

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