Subject: Re: [ckrm-tech] [PATCH] BC: resource beancounters (v4) (added user memory) Posted by Balbir Singh on Fri, 08 Sep 2006 18:26:56 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

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Dave Hansen wrote:
> On Fri, 2006-09-08 at 11:33 +0400, Pavel Emelianov wrote:
>> I'm afraid we have different understandings of what a "guarantee" is.
> It appears so.
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>> Don't we?
>> Guarantee may be one of
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   1. container will be able to touch that number of pages
>> 2. container will be able to sys_mmap() that number of pages
>> 3. container will not be killed unless it touches that number of pages
> A "death sentence" guarantee? I like it. :)
   4. anything else
>>
>> Let's decide what kind of a guarantee we want.
I think of guarantees w.r.t resources as the lower limit on the resource.
Guarantees and limits can be thought of as the range (guarantee, limit)
for the usage of the resource.
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> I think of it as: "I will be allowed to use this many total pages, and
> they are guaranteed not to fail." (1), I think. The sum of all of the
> system's guarantees must be less than or equal to the amount of free
> memory on the machine.
Yes, totally agree.
> If we knew to which NUMA node the memory was going to go, we might as
> well take the pages out of the allocator.
> -- Dave
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