Subject: Re: [ckrm-tech] [PATCH] BC: resource beancounters (v4) (added user memory)
Posted by Rohit Seth on Mon, 11 Sep 2006 19:10:31 GMT

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On Mon, 2006-09-11 at 11:25 -0700, Chandra Seetharaman wrote:
> On Fri, 2006-09-08 at 14:43 -0700, Rohit Seth wrote:
> <snip>
>>> Guarantee may be one of
>>>>
>>> 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
>>> 4. anything else
>>>
>>> I would say (1) with slight modification
       "container will be able to touch at least that number of pages"
> > >
> >
> > Does this scheme support running of tasks outside of containers on the
> > same platform where you have tasks running inside containers. If so
> > then how will you ensure processes running out side any container will
> > not leave less than the total guaranteed memory to different containers.
> >
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> There could be a default container which doesn't have any guarantee or
> limit.
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First, I think it is critical that we allow processes to run outside of any container (unless we know for sure that the penalty of running a process inside a container is very very minimal).

And anything running outside a container should be limited by default Linux settings.

- > When you create containers and assign guarantees to each of them > make sure that you leave some amount of resource unassigned.

  ^^^^ This will force the "default" container with limits (indirectly). IMO, the whole guarantee feature gets defeated the moment you bring in this fuzziness.
- > That
  > unassigned resources can be used by the default container or can be used
  > by containers that want more than their guarantee (and less than their
  > limit). This is how CKRM/RG handles this issue.

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It seems that a single notion of limit should suffice, and that limit should more be treated as something beyond which that resource consumption in the container will be throttled/not\_allowed.

-rohit