
Subject: Re: [ckrm-tech] [PATCH] BC: resource
beancounters (v4) (added user memory)
Posted by [Rohit Seth](#) on Wed, 13 Sep 2006 01:25:51 GMT
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On Tue, 2006-09-12 at 18:10 -0700, Chandra Seetharaman wrote:

> On Tue, 2006-09-12 at 17:39 -0700, Rohit Seth wrote:

> <snip>

> > > yes, it would be there, but is not heavy, IMO.

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> > I think anything greater than 1% could be a concern for people who are

> > not very interested in containers but would be forced to live with them.

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> If they are not interested in resource management and/or containers, i

> do not think they need to pay.

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Think of a single kernel from a vendor that has container support built
in.

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> > > > > And anything running outside a container should be limited by default

> > > > > Linux settings.

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> > > > note that the resource available to the default RG will be (total system

> > > > resource - allocated to RGs).

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> > > > I think it will be preferable to not change the existing behavior for

> > > > applications that are running outside any container (in your case

> > > > default resource group).

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> > > hmm, when you provide QoS for a set of apps, you will affect (the

> > > resource availability of) other apps. I don't see any way around it. Any

> > > ideas ?

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> > When I say, existing behavior, I mean not getting impacted by some

> > artificial limits that are imposed by container subsystem. IOW, if a

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> That is what I understood and replied above.

> > sysadmin is okay to have certain apps running outside of container then

> > he is basically forgoing any QoS for any container on that system.

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> Not at all. If the container they are interested in is guaranteed, I do

> not see how apps running outside a container would affect them.

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Because the kernel (outside the container subsystem) doesn't know of

these guarantees...unless you modify the page allocator to have another variant of overcommit memory.

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> <snip>
> > > > Not really.
> > > > - Each RG will have a guarantee and limit of each resource.
> > > > - default RG will have (system resource - sum of guarantees)
> > > > - Every RG will be guaranteed some amount of resource to provide QoS
> > > > - Every RG will be limited at "limit" to prevent DoS attacks.
> > > > - Whoever doesn't care either of those set them to don't care values.
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> > > >
> > > > For the cases that put this don't care, do you depend on existing
> > > > reclaim algorithm (for memory) in kernel?
> > >
> > > Yes.
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> > So one container with these don't care condition(s) can turn the whole
> > guarantee thing bad. Because existing kernel reclaimer does not know
> > about memory commitments to other containers. Right?
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> No, the reclaimer would free up pages associated with the don't care RGs
> ( as the user don't care about the resource made available to them).
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And how will the kernel reclaimer know which RGs are don't care?

-rohit
