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Subject: Re: [ckrm-tech] [PATCH] BC: resource beancounters (v4) (added user memory)

Posted by [Balbir Singh](#) on Mon, 18 Sep 2006 08:25:55 GMT

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Pavel Emelianov wrote:

> Kirill Korotaev wrote:

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> [snip]

>>> I have a C program that computes limits to obtain desired guarantees

>>> in a single 'for (i = 0; i < n; n++)' loop for any given set of guarantees.

>>> With all error handling, beautifull output, nice formatting etc it weights

>>> only 60 lines.

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> Look at [http://wiki.openvz.org/Containers/Guarantees\\_for\\_resources](http://wiki.openvz.org/Containers/Guarantees_for_resources)

> I've described there how a guarantee can be get with limiting in details.

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> [snip]

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>>> I do not 'do not like guarantee'. I'm just sure that there are two ways

>>> for providing guarantee (for unreclaimable resorces):

>>> 1. reserving resource for group in advance

>>> 2. limit resource for others

>>> Reserving is worse as it is essentially limiting (you cut off 100Mb from

>>> 1Gb RAM thus limiting the other groups by 900Mb RAM), but this limiting

>>> is too strict - you have to reserve less than RAM size. Limiting in

>>> run-time is more flexible (you may create an overcommitted BC if you

>>> want to) and leads to the same result - guarantee.

>> I think this deserves putting on Wiki.

>> It is very good clear point.

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> This is also on the page I gave link at.

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This approach has the following disadvantages

1. Lets consider initialization - When we create 'n' groups initially, we need to spend  $O(n^2)$  time to assign guarantees.
2. Every time a limit or a guarantee changes, we need to recalculate guarantees and ensure that the change will not break any guarantees
3. The same thing as stated above, when a resource group is created or deleted

This can lead to some instability; a change in one group propagates to all other groups.

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