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Subject: [PATCH v3 0/6] per cgroup /proc/stat statistics  
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Hi

This is a rework of my v2 series taking into account Paul Turner's comments. All the series is the same except for the patch that collets nr\_switches that is now completely reworked.

It is out of schedule(), relegated to a scheduler hook. Only difference from Paul's suggestion is that I added a new one, instead of messing with put\_prev\_task + pick\_next\_task pairs. In the patchset that adds it, I'll try to argue for my solution.

Hope this is acceptable, and please let me know of any other concerns.

v2:  
\* completely reworked nr\_switches gathering  
\* separated per-se sleep\_start to be more clear about it

Glauber Costa (6):  
measure exec\_clock for rt sched entities  
account guest time per-cgroup as well.  
expose fine-grained per-cpu data for cpuacct stats  
add a new scheduler hook for context switch  
Also record sleep start for a task group  
expose per-taskgroup schedstats in cgroup

```
include/linux/sched.h | 1 +  
kernel/sched/core.c | 166 ++++++  
kernel/sched/fair.c | 42 ++++++  
kernel/sched/rt.c | 20 ++++++  
kernel/sched/sched.h | 6 ++  
5 files changed, 228 insertions(+), 7 deletions(-)
```

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Subject: [PATCH v3 1/6] measure exec\_clock for rt sched entities  
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For simetry with the cfq tasks, measure exec\_clock for the rt sched entities (rt\_se).

This can be used in a number of fashions. For instance, to

compute total cpu usage in a cgroup that is generated by rt tasks.

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```
kernel/sched/rt.c | 5 +++++
```

```
kernel/sched/sched.h | 1 +
```

```
2 files changed, 6 insertions(+)
```

```
diff --git a/kernel/sched/rt.c b/kernel/sched/rt.c
```

```
index c5565c3..30ee4e2 100644
```

```
--- a/kernel/sched/rt.c
```

```
+++ b/kernel/sched/rt.c
```

```
@@ -919,6 +919,11 @@ static void update_curr_rt(struct rq *rq)
```

```
    sched_rt_avg_update(rq, delta_exec);
```

```
+ for_each_sched_rt_entity(rt_se) {
```

```
+   rt_rq = rt_rq_of_se(rt_se);
```

```
+   schedstat_add(rt_rq, exec_clock, delta_exec);
```

```
+ }
```

```
+ }
```

```
    if (!rt_bandwidth_enabled())  
        return;
```

```
diff --git a/kernel/sched/sched.h b/kernel/sched/sched.h
```

```
index ba9dccf..cd2f1e1 100644
```

```
--- a/kernel/sched/sched.h
```

```
+++ b/kernel/sched/sched.h
```

```
@@ -295,6 +295,7 @@ struct rt_rq {
```

```
    struct plist_head pushable_tasks;
```

```
};
```

```
int rt_throttled;
```

```
+ u64 exec_clock;
```

```
u64 rt_time;
```

```
u64 rt_runtime;
```

```
/* Nests inside the rq lock: */
```

```
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```

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Subject: [PATCH v3 3/6] expose fine-grained per-cpu data for cpuacct stats

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The cpuacct cgroup already exposes user and system numbers in a per-cgroup

fashion. But they are a summation along the whole group, not a per-cpu figure. Also, they are coarse-grained version of the stats usually shown at places like /proc/stat.

I want to have enough cgroup data to emulate the /proc/stat interface. To achieve that, I am creating a new file "stat\_percpu" that displays the fine-grained per-cpu data. The original data is left alone.

The format of this file resembles the one found in the usual cgroup's stat files. But of course, the fields will be repeated, one per cpu, and prefixed with the cpu number.

Therefore, we'll have something like:

```
cpu0.user X
cpu0.system Y
...
cpu1.user X1
cpu1.system Y1
...
```

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```
kernel/sched/core.c | 33 +++++
1 file changed, 33 insertions(+)
```

```
diff --git a/kernel/sched/core.c b/kernel/sched/core.c
```

```
index 220d416..4c1d7e9 100644
```

```
--- a/kernel/sched/core.c
```

```
+++ b/kernel/sched/core.c
```

```
@@ -8178,6 +8178,35 @@ static int cpuacct_stats_show(struct cgroup *cgrp, struct cftype *cft,
    return 0;
}
```

```
+static inline void do_fill_cb(struct cgroup_map_cb *cb, struct cpuacct *ca,
+    char *str, int cpu, int index)
```

```
+{
+    char name[24];
+    struct kernel_cpustat *kcpustat = per_cpu_ptr(ca->cpustat, cpu);
+
+    snprintf(name, sizeof(name), "cpu%d.%s", cpu, str);
+    cb->fill(cb, name, cputime64_to_clock_t(kcpustat->cpustat[index]));
+}
```

```
+
+static int cpuacct_stats_percpu_show(struct cgroup *cgrp, struct cftype *cft,
+    struct cgroup_map_cb *cb)
```

```

+{
+ struct cpuacct *ca = cgroup_ca(cgrp);
+ int cpu;
+
+ for_each_online_cpu(cpu) {
+ do_fill_cb(cb, ca, "user", cpu, CPUTIME_USER);
+ do_fill_cb(cb, ca, "nice", cpu, CPUTIME_NICE);
+ do_fill_cb(cb, ca, "system", cpu, CPUTIME_SYSTEM);
+ do_fill_cb(cb, ca, "irq", cpu, CPUTIME_IRQ);
+ do_fill_cb(cb, ca, "softirq", cpu, CPUTIME_SOFTIRQ);
+ do_fill_cb(cb, ca, "guest", cpu, CPUTIME_GUEST);
+ do_fill_cb(cb, ca, "guest_nice", cpu, CPUTIME_GUEST_NICE);
+ }
+
+ return 0;
+}
+
static struct cftype files[] = {
{
.name = "usage",
@@ -8192,6 +8221,10 @@ static struct cftype files[] = {
.name = "stat",
.read_map = cpuacct_stats_show,
},
+ {
+ .name = "stat_percpu",
+ .read_map = cpuacct_stats_percpu_show,
+ },
{ } /* terminate */
};

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```

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Subject: [PATCH v3 4/6] add a new scheduler hook for context switch

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To be able to count the number of switches per-cgroup, and merging Paul's hint that it would be better to do it in fair.c and rt.c, I am introducing a new write-side walk through a new scheduler hook, called at every context switch away from a task (prev).

Read-side is greatly simplified, and as I'll show, the performance impact does not seem huge. First, aside from the function call, this walk is O(depth), which is not likely to be huge (if it is, the performance impact is indeed bad - but one can argue this is a good punishment)

Also, this walk is likely to be cache-hot, since it is at most the very same loop done by `put_prev_task`, except it loops depth - 1 instead of depth times. This is specially important not to hurt tasks in the root cgroup, that will pay just a branch.

I am introducing a new hook, because the existing ones didn't seem appropriate. The main possibilities would be `put_prev_task` and `pick_next_task`.

With `pick_next_task`, there are two main problems:

1) first, the loop is only cache hot in `pick_next_task` if tasks actually belong to the same class and group as `prev`. Depending on the workload, this is possibly unlikely.

2) This is vulnerable to wrongdoings in accountings when exiting to idle. Consider two groups A and B with a following pattern: A exits to idle, but after that, B is scheduled. B, on the other hand, always get back to itself when it yields to idle. This means that the to-idle transition in A is never noted.

So because of that, I do believe that `prev` is the right point of that.

However, `put_prev_task` is called many times from multiple places, and the logic to differentiate a context switch from another kind of put would make a mess out of it.

On a 4-way x86\_64, `hackbench -pipe 1` process 4000 shows the following results:

- units are seconds to complete the whole benchmark
- percentual stdev for easier assesment

Task sitting in the root cgroup:

Without patchset: 4.857700 (0.69 %)

With patchset: 4.863700 (0.63 %)

Difference : 0.12 %

Task sitting in a 3-level depth cgroup:

Without patchset: 5.120867 (1.60 %)

With patchset: 5.113800 (0.41 %)

Difference : 0.13 %

Task sitting in a 30-level depth cgroup (totally crazy scenario):

Without patchset: 8.829385 (2.63 %)

With patchset: 9.975467 (2.80 %)

Difference : 12 %

For any sane use case, the user is unlikely to be nesting for much more than

3-levels. For that, and for the important case for most people, the difference is inside the standard deviation and can be said to be negligible.

Although the patch does add a penalty, it only does that for deeply nested scenarios (but those are already paying a 100 % penalty against no-nesting even without the patchset!)

I hope this approach is acceptable.

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```
---  
include/linux/sched.h | 1 +  
kernel/sched/core.c | 9 ++++++++  
kernel/sched/fair.c | 15 ++++++++  
kernel/sched/rt.c | 15 ++++++++  
kernel/sched/sched.h | 3 +++  
5 files changed, 43 insertions(+)
```

```
diff --git a/include/linux/sched.h b/include/linux/sched.h  
index f45c0b2..d28d6ec 100644
```

```
--- a/include/linux/sched.h  
+++ b/include/linux/sched.h  
@@ -1084,6 +1084,7 @@ struct sched_class {  
  
    struct task_struct * (*pick_next_task) (struct rq *rq);  
    void (*put_prev_task) (struct rq *rq, struct task_struct *p);  
+ void (*context_switch) (struct rq *rq, struct task_struct *p);
```

```
#ifdef CONFIG_SMP  
    int (*select_task_rq)(struct task_struct *p, int sd_flag, int flags);
```

```
diff --git a/kernel/sched/core.c b/kernel/sched/core.c
```

```
index 4c1d7e9..db4f2c3 100644
```

```
--- a/kernel/sched/core.c
```

```
+++ b/kernel/sched/core.c
```

```
@@ -1894,6 +1894,14 @@ fire_sched_out_preempt_notifiers(struct task_struct *curr,
```

```
#endif /* CONFIG_PREEMPT_NOTIFIERS */
```

```
+static void sched_class_context_switch(struct rq *rq, struct task_struct *prev)
```

```
+{  
+ #if defined(CONFIG_FAIR_GROUP_SCHED) || defined(CONFIG_RT_GROUP_SCHED)  
+ if (prev->sched_class->context_switch)  
+ prev->sched_class->context_switch(rq, prev);  
+ #endif  
+}  
+
```

```

/**
 * prepare_task_switch - prepare to switch tasks
 * @rq: the runqueue preparing to switch
@@ -1911,6 +1919,7 @@ static inline void
prepare_task_switch(struct rq *rq, struct task_struct *prev,
                    struct task_struct *next)
{
+ sched_class_context_switch(rq, prev);
  sched_info_switch(prev, next);
  perf_event_task_sched_out(prev, next);
  fire_sched_out_preempt_notifiers(prev, next);
diff --git a/kernel/sched/fair.c b/kernel/sched/fair.c
index 940e6d1..c26fe38 100644
--- a/kernel/sched/fair.c
+++ b/kernel/sched/fair.c
@@ -2993,6 +2993,20 @@ static struct task_struct *pick_next_task_fair(struct rq *rq)
    return p;
}

+static void context_switch_fair(struct rq *rq, struct task_struct *p)
+{
+#ifdef CONFIG_FAIR_GROUP_SCHED
+ struct cfs_rq *cfs_rq;
+ struct sched_entity *se = &p->se;
+
+ while (se->parent) {
+ se = se->parent;
+ cfs_rq = group_cfs_rq(se);
+ cfs_rq->nr_switches++;
+ }
+#endif
+}
+
/*
 * Account for a descheduled task:
 */
@@ -5255,6 +5269,7 @@ const struct sched_class fair_sched_class = {
    .check_preempt_curr = check_preempt_wakeup,

    .pick_next_task = pick_next_task_fair,
+ .context_switch = context_switch_fair,
    .put_prev_task = put_prev_task_fair,

#ifdef CONFIG_SMP
diff --git a/kernel/sched/rt.c b/kernel/sched/rt.c
index 30ee4e2..6f416e4 100644
--- a/kernel/sched/rt.c
+++ b/kernel/sched/rt.c

```

```

@@ -1392,6 +1392,20 @@ static struct task_struct *pick_next_task_rt(struct rq *rq)
    return p;
}

+static void context_switch_rt(struct rq *rq, struct task_struct *p)
+{
+#ifdef CONFIG_RT_GROUP_SCHED
+ struct sched_rt_entity *rt_se = &p->rt;
+ struct rt_rq *rt_rq;
+
+ while (rt_se->parent) {
+  rt_se = rt_se->parent;
+  rt_rq = group_rt_rq(rt_se);
+  rt_rq->rt_nr_switches++;
+ }
+#endif
+}
+
static void put_prev_task_rt(struct rq *rq, struct task_struct *p)
{
    update_curr_rt(rq);
@@ -2040,6 +2054,7 @@ const struct sched_class rt_sched_class = {
    .check_preempt_curr = check_preempt_curr_rt,

    .pick_next_task = pick_next_task_rt,
+ .context_switch = context_switch_rt,
    .put_prev_task = put_prev_task_rt,

#ifdef CONFIG_SMP
diff --git a/kernel/sched/sched.h b/kernel/sched/sched.h
index cd2f1e1..76f6839 100644
--- a/kernel/sched/sched.h
+++ b/kernel/sched/sched.h
@@ -237,6 +237,7 @@ struct cfs_rq {
    struct list_head leaf_cfs_rq_list;
    struct task_group *tg; /* group that "owns" this runqueue */

+ u64 nr_switches;
#ifdef CONFIG_SMP
/*
* h_load = weight * f(tg)
@@ -307,6 +308,8 @@ struct rt_rq {
    struct rq *rq;
    struct list_head leaf_rt_rq_list;
    struct task_group *tg;
+
+ u64 rt_nr_switches;
#endif

```



};

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Subject: [PATCH v3 5/6] Also record sleep start for a task group  
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When we're dealing with a task group, instead of a task, also record the start of its sleep time. Since the test against TASK\_UNINTERRUPTIBLE does not really make sense and lack an obvious analogous, we always record it as sleep\_start, never block\_start.

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kernel/sched/fair.c | 3 ++-  
1 file changed, 2 insertions(+), 1 deletion(-)

diff --git a/kernel/sched/fair.c b/kernel/sched/fair.c

index c26fe38..d932559 100644

--- a/kernel/sched/fair.c

+++ b/kernel/sched/fair.c

```
@@ -1182,7 +1182,8 @@ dequeue_entity(struct cfs_rq *cfs_rq, struct sched_entity *se, int flags)
     se->statistics.sleep_start = rq_of(cfs_rq)->clock;
     if (tsk->state & TASK_UNINTERRUPTIBLE)
         se->statistics.block_start = rq_of(cfs_rq)->clock;
- }
+ } else
+ se->statistics.sleep_start = rq_of(cfs_rq)->clock;
#endif
}
```

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Subject: [PATCH v3 6/6] expose per-taskgroup schedstats in cgroup  
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This patch aims at exposing stat information per-cgroup, such as:

- \* idle time,
- \* iowait time,

- \* steal time,
- \* # context switches

and friends. The ultimate goal is to be able to present a per-container view of /proc/stat inside a container. With this patch, everything that is needed to do that is in place, except for number of tasks.

For most of the data, I achieve that by hooking into the schedstats framework, so although the overhead of that is prone to discussion, I am not adding anything, but reusing what's already there instead. The exception being that the data is now computed and stored in non-task se's as well, instead of entity\_is\_task() branches. However, I expect this to be minimum comparing to the alternative of adding new hierarchy walks. Those are kept intact.

The format of the new file added is the same as the one recently introduced for cpuacct:

```
cpu0.idle X
cpu0.steal Y
...
cpu1.idle X1
cpu1.steal Y1
...
```

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```
---
kernel/sched/core.c | 114 ++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++
kernel/sched/fair.c | 24 ++++++++
kernel/sched/sched.h | 2 +
3 files changed, 140 insertions(+)

diff --git a/kernel/sched/core.c b/kernel/sched/core.c
index db4f2c3..9c344d3 100644
--- a/kernel/sched/core.c
+++ b/kernel/sched/core.c
@@ -7969,6 +7969,107 @@ static u64 cpu_rt_period_read_uint(struct cgroup *cgrp, struct cftype
 *cft)
 }
 #endif /* CONFIG_RT_GROUP_SCHED */

+#ifdef CONFIG_SCHEDSTATS
+
+#ifdef CONFIG_FAIR_GROUP_SCHED
+#define fair_rq(field, tg, i) tg->cfs_rq[i]->field
+#else
+#define fair_rq(field, tg, i) 0
+#endif
```

```

+
+ #ifdef CONFIG_RT_GROUP_SCHED
+ #define rt_rq(field, tg, i) tg->rt_rq[i]->field
+ #else
+ #define rt_rq(field, tg, i) 0
+ #endif
+
+
+ static u64 tg_nr_switches(struct task_group *tg, int cpu)
+ {
+ if (tg != &root_task_group)
+ return rt_rq(rt_nr_switches, tg, cpu) + fair_rq(nr_switches, tg, cpu);
+
+ return cpu_rq(cpu)->nr_switches;
+ }
+
+
+ static u64 tg_nr_running(struct task_group *tg, int cpu)
+ {
+ /*
+  * because of autogrouped groups in root_task_group, the
+  * following does not hold.
+  */
+ if (tg != &root_task_group)
+ return rt_rq(rt_nr_running, tg, cpu) + fair_rq(nr_running, tg, cpu);
+
+ return cpu_rq(cpu)->nr_running;
+ }
+
+
+ static u64 tg_idle(struct task_group *tg, int cpu)
+ {
+ u64 val;
+
+ if (tg != &root_task_group) {
+ val = cfs_read_sleep(tg->se[cpu]);
+ /* If we have rt tasks running, we're not really idle */
+ val -= rt_rq(exec_clock, tg, cpu);
+ } else
+ /*
+  * There are many errors here that we are accumulating.
+  * However, we only provide this in the interest of having
+  * a consistent interface for all cgroups. Everybody
+  * probing the root cgroup should be getting its figures
+  * from system-wide files as /proc/stat. That would be faster
+  * to begin with...
+  *
+  * Ditto for steal.
+  */
+ val = kcpustat_cpu(cpu).cpustat[CPUTIME_IDLE] * TICK_NSEC;
+
+

```

```

+ return val;
+}
+
+static u64 tg_steal(struct task_group *tg, int cpu)
+{
+ u64 val;
+
+ if (tg != &root_task_group)
+ val = cfs_read_wait(tg->se[cpu]);
+ else
+ val = kcpustat_cpu(cpu).cpustat[CPUTIME_STEAL] * TICK_NSEC;
+
+ return val;
+}
+
+static int cpu_stats_percpu_show(struct cgroup *cgrp, struct cftype *cft,
+ struct cgroup_map_cb *cb)
+{
+ struct task_group *tg = cgroup_tg(cgrp);
+ int cpu;
+ /*
+ * should be enough to hold:
+ * "cpu" (len = 3)
+ * "nr_switches" (len = 11, biggest string so far
+ * 4 bytes for the cpu number, up to 9999 cpus
+ * dot character and NULL termination,
+ *
+ * and still be small enough for the stack
+ */
+ char name[24];
+
+ for_each_online_cpu(cpu) {
+ snprintf(name, sizeof(name), "cpu%d.idle", cpu);
+ cb->fill(cb, name, tg_idle(tg, cpu));
+ snprintf(name, sizeof(name), "cpu%d.steal", cpu);
+ cb->fill(cb, name, tg_steal(tg, cpu));
+ snprintf(name, sizeof(name), "cpu%d.nr_switches", cpu);
+ cb->fill(cb, name, tg_nr_switches(tg, cpu));
+ snprintf(name, sizeof(name), "cpu%d.nr_running", cpu);
+ cb->fill(cb, name, tg_nr_running(tg, cpu));
+ }
+
+ return 0;
+}
+#endif
+
+ static struct cftype cpu_files[] = {
+ #ifdef CONFIG_FAIR_GROUP_SCHED

```

```

{
@@ -7976,6 +8077,19 @@ static struct cftype cpu_files[] = {
    .read_u64 = cpu_shares_read_u64,
    .write_u64 = cpu_shares_write_u64,
},
+/*
+ * In theory, those could be done using the rt tasks as a basis
+ * as well. Since we're interested in figures like idle, iowait, etc
+ * for the whole cgroup, the results should be the same.
+ * But that only complicates the code, and I doubt anyone using !FAIR_GROUP_SCHED
+ * is terribly interested in those.
+ */
+#ifdef CONFIG_SCHEDSTATS
+ {
+ .name = "stat_percpu",
+ .read_map = cpu_stats_percpu_show,
+ },
+#endif
#endif
#ifdef CONFIG_CFS_BANDWIDTH
{
diff --git a/kernel/sched/fair.c b/kernel/sched/fair.c
index d932559..7145c59 100644
--- a/kernel/sched/fair.c
+++ b/kernel/sched/fair.c
@@ -719,6 +719,30 @@ update_stats_wait_start(struct cfs_rq *cfs_rq, struct sched_entity *se)
    schedstat_set(se->statistics.wait_start, rq_of(cfs_rq)->clock);
}

+#ifdef CONFIG_SCHEDSTATS
+u64 cfs_read_sleep(struct sched_entity *se)
+{
+ struct cfs_rq *cfs_rq = se->cfs_rq;
+ u64 value = se->statistics.sum_sleep_runtime;
+
+ if (!se->statistics.sleep_start)
+ return value;
+
+ return value + rq_of(cfs_rq)->clock - se->statistics.sleep_start;
+}
+
+u64 cfs_read_wait(struct sched_entity *se)
+{
+ struct cfs_rq *cfs_rq = se->cfs_rq;
+ u64 value = se->statistics.wait_sum;
+
+ if (!se->statistics.wait_start)
+ return value;

```

```
+
+ return value + rq_of(cfs_rq)->clock - se->statistics.wait_start;
+}
+endif
+
+/*
+ * Task is being enqueued - update stats:
+ */
diff --git a/kernel/sched/sched.h b/kernel/sched/sched.h
index 76f6839..3d8ba03 100644
--- a/kernel/sched/sched.h
+++ b/kernel/sched/sched.h
@@ -1150,6 +1150,8 @@ extern void init_rt_rq(struct rt_rq *rt_rq, struct rq *rq);
extern void unthrottle_offline_cfs_rqs(struct rq *rq);

extern void account_cfs_bandwidth_used(int enabled, int was_enabled);
+extern u64 cfs_read_sleep(struct sched_entity *se);
+extern u64 cfs_read_wait(struct sched_entity *se);

#ifdef CONFIG_NO_HZ
enum rq_nohz_flag_bits {
--
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```

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On Wed, 2012-05-30 at 13:48 +0400, Glauber Costa wrote:  
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Subject: Re: [PATCH v3 1/6] measure exec\_clock for rt sched entities  
Posted by [Glauber Costa](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 10:32:07 GMT  
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It does implicitly, because fair.c:update\_curr() is called from  
within enqueue\_task(), that is called for\_each\_sched\_entity in  
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 Posted by [Peter Zijlstra](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 10:34:01 GMT  
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```



```
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Posted by [Glauber Costa](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 10:34:08 GMT

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If you mean we should accumulate that on hotplug, I don't see why. We certainly don't do that for the tick-based counters. Or do you mean I am missing a `get_online_cpus()` lock ?

humm, I don't see it being taken on other loops like that

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Subject: Re: [PATCH v3 1/6] measure exec\_clock for rt sched entities  
Posted by [Peter Zijlstra](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 10:42:35 GMT

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Posted by [Peter Zijlstra](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 10:43:48 GMT

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Posted by [Glauber Costa](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 10:44:48 GMT

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I don't oppose that.
```

But I don't really parse what you mean by "make the files go away". We have just one file, with multiple entries. The entries are in key:value form, so I don't see a huge problem in having some entries disappearing.

As a matter of fact, this is exactly what happens in /proc/stat when you offline a cpu: the correspondent line will stop showing up.

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Subject: Re: [PATCH v3 1/6] measure exec\_clock for rt sched entities

Posted by [Paul Turner](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 11:00:37 GMT

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On Wed, May 30, 2012 at 3:42 AM, Glauber Costa <glommer@parallels.com> wrote:

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Does this even need to be hierarchical? While it's natural for it to be in the CFS case, it feels forced here.

You could instead make this `rt_rq->local_exec_clock` charging only to the parenting `rt_rq` and post-aggregate when you want to report. The only thing you'd need to be careful of is also accounting children somewhere on the parent on destruction (`reaped_exec_clock?`).

Harking back to symmetry, `local_exec_clock` is also a potentially useful stat on the CFS side of things since it allows you to usefully disambiguate versus your children (common case where this is useful is calculating usage of threads in the root cgroup); so it wouldn't need to be unique to `rt_rq`.

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Subject: Re: [PATCH v3 4/6] add a new scheduler hook for context switch  
Posted by [Peter Zijlstra](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 11:20:51 GMT  
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On Wed, 2012-05-30 at 13:48 +0400, Glauber Costa wrote:

```
> To be able to count the number of switches per-cgroup, and merging
> Paul's hint that it would be better to do it in fair.c and rt.c,
> I am introducing a new write-side walk through a new scheduler hook,
> called at every context switch away from a task (prev).
>
> Read-side is greatly simplified, and as I'll show, the performance impact
> does not seem huge. First, aside from the function call, this walk is
> O(depth), which is not likely to be huge (if it is, the performance
> impact is indeed bad - but one can argue this is a good punishment)
>
> Also, this walk is likely to be cache-hot, since it is at most the very
> same loop done by put_prev_task, except it loops depth - 1 instead of depth
> times. This is specially important not to hurt tasks in the root cgroup,
> that will pay just a branch.
```

/me cries a little.. I was hoping to fix put\_prev\_task.. see:

<https://lkml.org/lkml/2012/2/16/487>

(I've actually got a 4 patch split out of that if anybody cares)

Its just one of those things stuck behind the -ENOTIME tree :/

The plan is to 'merge' put\_prev\_task and pick\_next\_task into one and avoid a lot of the up-down walking.

You just added a constraint for always having to walk the entire thing up -- cgroups is too damn expensive already, we should be trimming this nonsense not bloating it.

> However, put\_prev\_task is called many times from multiple places,  
> and the logic to differentiate a context switch from another kind of  
> put would make a mess out of it.

I'm hoping the fold of put\_prev in pick\_next as per that patch I referenced could help some, but the cross class switch makes that messy still :/

Reducing the indirect calls is good, adding them is bad.. which makes me the worst offender I'm afraid.

> On a 4-way x86\_64, hackbench -pipe 1 process 4000 shows the following results:  
> - units are seconds to complete the whole benchmark  
> - percentual stdev for easier assesment  
>  
> Task sitting in the root cgroup:  
> Without patchset: 4.857700 (0.69 %)  
> With patchset: 4.863700 (0.63 %)  
> Difference : 0.12 %

Just increase the repeat count :-)

```
$ perf stat -e cycles --repeat 100 perf bench sched messaging -p -g 100
```

```
48,826,146,710 cycles # 2.470 GHz ( +- 0.17% )  
2.149005270 seconds time elapsed ( +- 0.12% )
```

Anyway, a few nits on the below patch..

```
> diff --git a/kernel/sched/core.c b/kernel/sched/core.c  
> index 4c1d7e9..db4f2c3 100644
```

```

> --- a/kernel/sched/core.c
> +++ b/kernel/sched/core.c
> @@ -1894,6 +1894,14 @@ fire_sched_out_preempt_notifiers(struct task_struct *curr,
>
> #endif /* CONFIG_PREEMPT_NOTIFIERS */
>
> +static void
>
inline
>
> sched_class_context_switch(struct rq *rq, struct task_struct *prev)
> +{
> +#if defined(CONFIG_FAIR_GROUP_SCHED) || defined(CONFIG_RT_GROUP_SCHED)
> + if (prev->sched_class->context_switch)
> + prev->sched_class->context_switch(rq, prev);
> +#endif
> +}
> +
>
> diff --git a/kernel/sched/fair.c b/kernel/sched/fair.c
> index 940e6d1..c26fe38 100644
> --- a/kernel/sched/fair.c
> +++ b/kernel/sched/fair.c
> @@ -2993,6 +2993,20 @@ static struct task_struct *pick_next_task_fair(struct rq *rq)
> return p;
> }
>
> +static void context_switch_fair(struct rq *rq, struct task_struct *p)
> +{
> +#ifdef CONFIG_FAIR_GROUP_SCHED
> + struct cfs_rq *cfs_rq;
> + struct sched_entity *se = &p->se;
> +
> + while (se->parent) {
> + se = se->parent;
> + cfs_rq = group_cfs_rq(se);
> + cfs_rq->nr_switches++;
> + }
> +#endif
> +}
> +
Put the whole function inside an existing #ifdef block of the right
kind.
>
> /*
> * Account for a descheduled task:
> */

```

```
> @@ -5255,6 +5269,7 @@ const struct sched_class fair_sched_class = {
> .check_preempt_curr = check_preempt_wakeup,
>
> .pick_next_task = pick_next_task_fair,
> + .context_switch = context_switch_fair,
```

Put the `#ifdeffery` here, so that the method is NULL when `!FAIR_GROUP`, saves an indirect nop call for some weird `.configs`.

```
> .put_prev_task = put_prev_task_fair,
>
> #ifdef CONFIG_SMP
```

idem for `sched/rt.c`

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Subject: Re: [PATCH v3 6/6] expose per-taskgroup schedstats in cgroup  
Posted by [Peter Zijlstra](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 11:22:47 GMT

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On Wed, 2012-05-30 at 13:48 +0400, Glauber Costa wrote:

```
> +static u64 tg_idle(struct task_group *tg, int cpu)
> +{
> +    u64 val;
> +
> +    if (tg != &root_task_group) {
> +        val = cfs_read_sleep(tg->se[cpu]);
> +        /* If we have rt tasks running, we're not really idle */
> +        val -= rt_rq(exec_clock, tg, cpu);
> +    } else
> +        /*
> +         * There are many errors here that we are accumulating.
> +         * However, we only provide this in the interest of having
> +         * a consistent interface for all cgroups. Everybody
> +         * probing the root cgroup should be getting its figures
> +         * from system-wide files as /proc/stat. That would be faster
> +         * to begin with...
> +         *
> +         * Ditto for steal.
> +         */
> +        val = kcpustat_cpu(cpu).cpustat[CPUTIME_IDLE] * TICK_NSEC;
```

You just violated 2 coding style rules in one go :-)

If one side of the if-else has braces, the other side should have too.

If a block is multi-line (regardless of multi-stmt) it should have braces.



/me hands you a bucket full of {}.

```
> +   return val;  
> +}
```

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Subject: Re: [PATCH v3 3/6] expose fine-grained per-cpu data for cpuacct stats  
Posted by [Paul Turner](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 11:24:29 GMT

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On Wed, May 30, 2012 at 2:48 AM, Glauber Costa <glommer@parallels.com> wrote:

```
> The cpuacct cgroup already exposes user and system numbers in a per-cgroup  
> fashion. But they are a summation along the whole group, not a per-cpu figure.  
> Also, they are coarse-grained version of the stats usually shown at places  
> like /proc/stat.  
>  
> I want to have enough cgroup data to emulate the /proc/stat interface. To  
> achieve that, I am creating a new file "stat_percpu" that displays the  
> fine-grained per-cpu data. The original data is left alone.  
>  
> The format of this file resembles the one found in the usual cgroup's stat  
> files. But of course, the fields will be repeated, one per cpu, and prefixed  
> with the cpu number.  
>  
> Therefore, we'll have something like:  
>  
> cpu0.user X  
> cpu0.system Y  
> ...  
> cpu1.user X1  
> cpu1.system Y1  
> ...  
>  
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>  
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> index 220d416..4c1d7e9 100644  
> --- a/kernel/sched/core.c  
> +++ b/kernel/sched/core.c  
> @@ -8178,6 +8178,35 @@ static int cpuacct_stats_show(struct cgroup *cgrp, struct cftype *cft,  
>     return 0;  
> }  
>
```

```

> +static inline void do_fill_cb(struct cgroup_map_cb *cb, struct cpuacct *ca,
> +
> +    char *str, int cpu, int index)
> +{
> +    char name[24];
> +    struct kernel_cpustat *kcpustat = per_cpu_ptr(ca->cpustat, cpu);
> +
> +    snprintf(name, sizeof(name), "cpu%d.%s", cpu, str);
> +    cb->fill(cb, name, cputime64_to_clock_t(kcpustat->cpustat[index]));
> +}
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> +    }
> +
> +

```

I don't know if there's much that can be trivially done about it but I suspect these are a bit of a memory allocation time-bomb on a many-CPU machine. The `cgroup:seq_file` mating (via `read_map`) treats everything as `/one/` record. This means that `seq_printf` is going to end up eventually allocating a buffer that can fit `_everything_` (as well as every power-of-2 on the way there). Adding insult to injury is that that the backing buffer is `kmalloc()` not `vmalloc()`.

200+ bytes per-cpu above really is not unreasonable (46 bytes just for the text, plus a byte per base 10 digit we end up reporting), but that then leaves us looking at order-12/13 allocations just to print this thing when there are  $O(\text{many})$  cpus.

```

> +    return 0;
> +}
> +
> +static struct cftype files[] = {
> +    {
> +        .name = "usage",
> +    },
> +    @@ -8192,6 +8221,10 @@ static struct cftype files[] = {
> +        .name = "stat",

```

```
>         .read_map = cpuacct_stats_show,
>     },
> +     {
> +         .name = "stat_percpu",
> +         .read_map = cpuacct_stats_percpu_show,
> +     },
>     {} /* terminate */
> };
>
>
> --
> 1.7.10.2
>
```

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Subject: Re: [PATCH v3 3/6] expose fine-grained per-cpu data for cpuacct stats  
Posted by [Peter Zijlstra](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 11:24:32 GMT  
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On Wed, 2012-05-30 at 14:44 +0400, Glauber Costa wrote:  
> But I don't really parse what you mean by "make the files go away". We  
> have just one file, with multiple entries. The entries are in key:value  
> form, so I don't see a huge problem in having some entries disappearing.  
>  
> As a matter of fact, this is exactly what happens in /proc/stat when you  
> offline a cpu: the correspondent line will stop showing up.

Oh, I thought you had a file per cpu.

If you have content per cpu, this all might become a problem with 4096  
cpus, that's bound to overflow the page of output space?

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Subject: Re: [PATCH v3 5/6] Also record sleep start for a task group  
Posted by [Paul Turner](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 11:35:13 GMT  
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Posted by [Peter Zijlstra](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 11:40:51 GMT

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On Wed, 2012-05-30 at 13:20 +0200, Peter Zijlstra wrote:

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>
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Posted by [Glauber Costa](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 12:07:57 GMT

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On 05/30/2012 03:20 PM, Peter Zijlstra wrote:

> /me cries a little.. I was hoping to fix put\_prev\_task.. see:

>

> <https://lkml.org/lkml/2012/2/16/487>

>

> (I've actually got a 4 patch split out of that if anybody cares)

>

> Its just one of those things stuck behind the -ENOTIME tree :/

>

> The plan is to 'merge' put\_prev\_task and pick\_next\_task into one and

> avoid a lot of the up-down walking.

>

> You just added a constraint for always having to walk the entire thing

> up -- cgroups is too damn expensive already, we should be trimming this

> nonsense not bloating it.

if they are merged, then I don't need a new hook.

Do you have plans to do it? I'd be happy to continue the work if you lack the time, since I am directly interested in the functionality.

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Posted by [Glauber Costa](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 12:08:24 GMT

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thanks for the pointers

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Subject: Re: [PATCH v3 1/6] measure exec\_clock for rt sched entities  
Posted by [Glauber Costa](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 12:09:54 GMT

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On 05/30/2012 03:00 PM, Paul Turner wrote:

> Does this even need to be hierarchical? While it's natural for it to  
> be in the CFS case, it feels forced here.  
>  
> You could instead make this rt\_rq->local\_exec\_clock charging only to  
> the parenting rt\_rq and post-aggregate when you want to report. The  
> only thing you'd need to be careful of is also accounting children  
> somewhere on the parent on destruction (reaped\_exec\_clock?).  
>  
> Harking back to symmetry, local\_exec\_clock is also a potentially  
> useful stat on the CFS side of things since it allows you to usefully  
> disambiguate versus your children (common case where this is useful is  
> calculating usage of threads in the root cgroup); so it wouldn't need  
> to be unique to rt\_rq.

I can try this approach.

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Posted by [Glauber Costa](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 12:20:15 GMT

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On 05/30/2012 03:24 PM, Paul Turner wrote:

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>> > +  
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 Posted by [Glauber Costa](#) on Wed, 30 May 2012 12:44:09 GMT  
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It is idle for that runqueue, aka cpu. The cgroup itself is idle when  
all cpus are idle. And yes, then you have 2s per sec of idle in a 2-way  
system.

That's pretty much how a physical box works as well.

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