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Subject: [PATCH 3/3][RFC] Containers: Pagecache controller reclaim  
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include/linux/memcontrol.h | 6 +++
mm/memcontrol.c            | 4 +-
mm/pagecache_acct.c        | 11 ++++++
mm/vmscan.c                | 71 ++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++-----
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--- linux-2.6.20.orig/include/linux/memcontrol.h

+++ linux-2.6.20/include/linux/memcontrol.h

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@@ -36,6 +36,12 @@ enum {
    MEMCONTROL_DONT_CHECK_LIMIT = false,
};
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/* Type of memory to reclaim in shrink_container_memory() */
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+enum {
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+ RECLAIM_MAPPED_MEMORY = 1,
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+ RECLAIM_PAGECACHE_MEMORY,
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+};
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#ifdef CONFIG_CONTAINER_MEMCONTROL
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#include <linux/wait.h>
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--- linux-2.6.20.orig/mm/memcontrol.c

+++ linux-2.6.20/mm/memcontrol.c

```
@@ -165,8 +165,8 @@ static int memcontrol_check_and_reclaim(
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    nr_pages = (pushback * limit) / 100;
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    mem->reclaim_in_progress = true;
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    spin_unlock(&mem->lock);
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- nr_reclaimed +=
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- memcontrol_shrink_mapped_memory(nr_pages, cont);
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+ nr_reclaimed += shrink_container_memory(
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+ RECLAIM_MAPPED_MEMORY, nr_pages, cont);
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    spin_lock(&mem->lock);
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    mem->reclaim_in_progress = false;
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    wake_up_all(&mem->wq);
--- linux-2.6.20.orig/mm/pagecache_acct.c
+++ linux-2.6.20/mm/pagecache_acct.c
@@ -29,6 +29,7 @@
#include <linux/uaccess.h>
#include <asm/div64.h>
#include <linux/pagecache_acct.h>
+#include <linux/memcontrol.h>

/*
 * Convert unit from pages to kilobytes
@@ -337,12 +338,20 @@ int pagecache_acct_cont_overlimit(struct
    return 0;
}

-extern unsigned long shrink_all_pagecache_memory(unsigned long nr_pages);
+extern unsigned long shrink_container_memory(unsigned int memory_type,
+ unsigned long nr_pages, void *container);

int pagecache_acct_shrink_used(unsigned long nr_pages)
{
    unsigned long ret = 0;
    atomic_inc(&reclaim_count);
+
+ /* Don't call reclaim for each page above limit */
+ if (nr_pages > NR_PAGES_RECLAIM_THRESHOLD) {
+     ret += shrink_container_memory(
+         RECLAIM_PAGECACHE_MEMORY, nr_pages, NULL);
+ }
+
    return 0;
}

--- linux-2.6.20.orig/mm/vmscan.c
+++ linux-2.6.20/mm/vmscan.c
@@ -43,6 +43,7 @@
#include <linux/swapops.h>
#include <linux/memcontrol.h>
+#include <linux/pagecache_acct.h>

#include "internal.h"

@@ -70,6 +71,8 @@ struct scan_control {

    struct container *container; /* Used by containers for reclaiming */
    /* pages when the limit is exceeded */
+ int reclaim_pagecache_only; /* Set when called from

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+    pagecache controller */
};

/*
@@ -474,6 +477,15 @@ static unsigned long shrink_page_list(st
    goto keep;

    VM_BUG_ON(PageActive(page));
+ /* Take it easy if we are doing only pagecache pages */
+ if (sc->reclaim_pagecache_only) {
+ /* Check if this is a pagecache page they are not mapped */
+ if (page_mapped(page))
+ goto keep_locked;
+ /* Check if this container has exceeded pagecache limit */
+ if (!pagecache_acct_page_overlimit(page))
+ goto keep_locked;
+ }

    sc->nr_scanned++;

@@ -522,7 +534,8 @@ static unsigned long shrink_page_list(st
}

if (PageDirty(page)) {
- if (referenced)
+ /* Reclaim even referenced pagecache pages if over limit */
+ if (!pagecache_acct_page_overlimit(page) && referenced)
    goto keep_locked;
    if (!may_enter_fs)
        goto keep_locked;
@@ -869,6 +882,13 @@ force_reclaim_mapped:
    cond_resched();
    page = lru_to_page(&l_hold);
    list_del(&page->lru);
+ /* While reclaiming pagecache make it easy */
+ if (sc->reclaim_pagecache_only) {
+ if (page_mapped(page) || !pagecache_acct_page_overlimit(page)) {
+ list_add(&page->lru, &l_active);
+ continue;
+ }
+ }
+ if (page_mapped(page)) {
+ if (!reclaim_mapped ||
+     (total_swap_pages == 0 && PageAnon(page)) ||
@@ -1064,6 +1084,7 @@ unsigned long try_to_free_pages(struct z
    .swap_cluster_max = SWAP_CLUSTER_MAX,
    .may_swap = 1,
    .swappiness = vm_swappiness,

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+ .reclaim_pagecache_only = 0,
};

count_vm_event(ALLOCSTALL);
@@ -1168,6 +1189,7 @@ static unsigned long balance_pgdat(pg_da
    .may_swap = 1,
    .swap_cluster_max = SWAP_CLUSTER_MAX,
    .swappiness = vm_swappiness,
+ .reclaim_pagecache_only = 0,
};
/*
 * temp_priority is used to remember the scanning priority at which
@@ -1398,7 +1420,9 @@ void wakeup_kswapd(struct zone *zone, in
    wake_up_interruptible(&pgdat->kswapd_wait);
}

-#if defined(CONFIG_PM) || defined(CONFIG_CONTAINER_MEMCONTROL)
+#if defined(CONFIG_PM) || defined(CONFIG_CONTAINER_MEMCONTROL) \
+ || defined(CONFIG_CONTAINER_PAGECACHE_ACCT)
+
/*
 * Helper function for shrink_all_memory(). Tries to reclaim 'nr_pages' pages
 * from LRU lists system-wide, for given pass and priority, and returns the
@@ -1470,11 +1494,13 @@ unsigned long shrink_all_memory(unsigned
    int pass;
    struct reclaim_state reclaim_state;
    struct scan_control sc = {
- .gfp_mask = GFP_KERNEL,
+ .gfp_mask = GFdefined(CONFIG_CONTAINER_PAGECACHE_ACCT)
+P_KERNEL,
    .may_swap = 0,
    .swap_cluster_max = nr_pages,
    .may_writepage = 1,
    .swappiness = vm_swappiness,
+ .reclaim_pagecache_only = 0,
};

    current->reclaim_state = &reclaim_state;
@@ -1551,33 +1577,53 @@ out:
}
#endif

-#ifndef CONFIG_CONTAINER_MEMCONTROL
+#if defined(CONFIG_CONTAINER_MEMCTL) || \
+ defined(CONFIG_CONTAINER_PAGECACHE_ACCT)
+
/*
 * Try to free `nr_pages' of memory, system-wide, and return the number of

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* freed pages.
* Modelled after shrink_all_memory()
*/
-unsigned long memcontrol_shrink_mapped_memory(unsigned long nr_pages,
- struct container *container)
+unsigned long shrink_container_memory(unsigned int memory_type,
+ unsigned long nr_pages, struct container *container)
{
    unsigned long ret = 0;
    int pass;
    unsigned long nr_total_scanned = 0;
+ struct reclaim_state reclaim_state;

    struct scan_control sc = {
        .gfp_mask = GFP_KERNEL,
- .may_swap = 0,
        .swap_cluster_max = nr_pages,
        .may_writepage = 1,
- .container = container,
- .may_swap = 1,
- .swappiness = 100,
    };

+ switch (memory_type) {
+ case RECLAIM_PAGECACHE_MEMORY:
+     sc.may_swap = 0;
+     sc.swappiness = 0; /* Do not swap, only pagecache reclaim */
+     sc.reclaim_pagecache_only = 1; /* Flag it */
+     break;
+
+ case RECLAIM_MAPPED_MEMORY:
+     sc.container = container;
+     sc.may_swap = 1;
+     sc.swappiness = 100; /* Do swap and free memory */
+     sc.reclaim_pagecache_only = 0; /* Flag it */
+     break;
+
+ default:
+     BUG();
+ }
+ current->reclaim_state = &reclaim_state;
+
+
    /*
     * We try to shrink LRUs in 3 passes:
     * 0 = Reclaim from inactive_list only
- * 1 = Reclaim mapped (normal reclaim)
+ * 1 = Reclaim from active list

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+ * (Mapped or pagecache pages depending on memory type)
+ * 2 = 2nd pass of type 1
+ */
+ for (pass = 0; pass < 3; pass++) {
@@ -1585,7 +1631,6 @@ unsigned long memcontrol_shrink_mapped_m

    for (prio = DEF_PRIORITY; prio >= 0; prio--) {
        unsigned long nr_to_scan = nr_pages - ret;
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        sc.nr_scanned = 0;
        ret += shrink_all_zones(nr_to_scan, prio,
                                pass, 1, &sc);
@@ -1598,8 +1643,10 @@ unsigned long memcontrol_shrink_mapped_m
    }
}
out:
+ current->reclaim_state = NULL;
    return ret;
}
+
#endif

/* It's optimal to keep kswapds on the same CPUs as their memory, but

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> +             list_add(&page->lru, &l_active);
> +             continue;
> +         }
> +     }

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Please correct me if I'm wrong.

Here, if page type is mapped or not overlimit, why add it back to active list?

Did `shrink_page_list()` is called by `shrink_inactive_list()`?

-Aubrey

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