
Subject: Re: nptl perf bench and profiling with pidns patchsets

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Cedric,

just a small note.

imho it is not correct to check performance with enabled debug in memory allocator since it can influence cache efficiency much.

In you case looks like you have DEBUG_SLAB enabled.

Pavel will recheck as well what influences on this particular test.

BTW, it is strange... But according to Pavel unixbench results were very reproducible. What was the problem in your case?

Kirill

Cedric Le Goater wrote:

> Pavel and all,

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> I've been profiling the different pidns patchsets to chase the perf
> bottlenecks in the pidns patchset. As i was not getting accurate
> profiling results with unixbench, I changed the benchmark to use the
> nptl perf benchmark ingo used when he introduced the generic pidhash
> back in 2002.

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> <http://lwn.net/Articles/10368/>

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> Compared to unixbench, this is a micro benchmark measuring thread
> creation and destruction which I think is quite relevant of our
> different patchsets. unixbench is fine but profiling is not really
> accurate. too much noise. Any other suggestions ?

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> On a 2 * Intel(R) Xeon(TM) CPU 2.80GHz with 4 GB of RAM, I ran 8
> simultaneous, like ingo did :

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> `./perf -s 1000000 -t 1 -r 0 -T --sync-join`

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> I did that a few times and also changed the load of the machine
> to see if values were not too dispersed.

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> kernels used were :

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> * 2.6.22-rc1-mm1

> * <http://lxc.sourceforge.net/patches/2.6.22/2.6.22-rc1-mm1-openvz-pidns1/>

> * <http://lxc.sourceforge.net/patches/2.6.22/2.6.22-rc1-mm1-pidns1/>

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> findings are :

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> * definitely better results for suka's patchset. suka's patchset is
> also getting better results with unixbench on a 2.6.22-rc1-mm1 but
> the values are really dispersed. can you confirm ?
> * suka's patchset would benefit from some optimization in init_upid()
> and dup_struct_pid()
> * it seems that openvz's patchset has some issue with the struct pid
> cache. not sure what is the reason. may be you can help pavel.
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> Cheers,
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> C.
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> * results for 2.6.22-rc1-mm1
>
> Runtime: 91.635644842 seconds
> Runtime: 91.639834248 seconds
> Runtime: 93.615069259 seconds
> Runtime: 93.664678865 seconds
> Runtime: 95.724542035 seconds
> Runtime: 95.763572945 seconds
> Runtime: 96.444022314 seconds
> Runtime: 97.028016189 seconds
>
> * results for 2.6.22-rc1-mm1-pidns
>
> Runtime: 92.054172217 seconds
> Runtime: 93.606016039 seconds
> Runtime: 93.624093799 seconds
> Runtime: 94.992255782 seconds
> Runtime: 95.914365693 seconds
> Runtime: 98.080396784 seconds
> Runtime: 98.674988254 seconds
> Runtime: 98.832674972 seconds
>
> * results for 2.6.22-rc1-mm1-openvz-pidns
>
> Runtime: 92.359771573 seconds
> Runtime: 96.517435638 seconds
> Runtime: 98.328696048 seconds
> Runtime: 100.263042244 seconds
> Runtime: 101.003111486 seconds
> Runtime: 101.371180205 seconds
> Runtime: 102.536653818 seconds
> Runtime: 102.671519536 seconds
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> * diffprofile 2.6.22-rc1-mm1 and 2.6.22-rc1-mm1-pidns

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>
> 2708 11.8% check_poison_obj
> 2461 0.0% init_upid
> 2445 2.9% total
> 2283 183.7% kmem_cache_free
> 383 16.9% kmem_cache_alloc
> 365 13.6% __memset
> 280 0.0% dup_struct_pid
> 279 22.9% __show_regs
> 278 21.1% cache_alloc_debugcheck_after
> 261 11.3% get_page_from_freelist
> 223 0.0% kref_put
> 203 3.4% copy_process
> 197 34.4% do_futex
> 176 5.6% do_exit
> 86 22.8% cache_alloc_refill
> 82 28.2% do_fork
> 69 18.3% sched_balance_self
> 68 136.0% __free_pages_ok
> 59 90.8% bad_range
> 52 4.3% __down_read
> 51 13.7% account_user_time
> 50 7.5% copy_thread
> 43 28.7% put_files_struct
> 37 264.3% __free_pages
> 31 18.9% poison_obj
> 28 82.4% gs_change
> 26 16.0% plist_check_prev_next
> 25 192.3% __put_task_struct
> 23 26.7% __get_free_pages
> 23 14.6% __put_user_4
> 23 230.0% alloc_uid
> 22 9.0% exit_mm
> 21 12.9% _raw_spin_unlock
> 21 7.8% mm_release
> 21 8.6% plist_check_list
> 20 20.0% drop_futex_key_refs
> 20 12.0% __up_read
> 19 48.7% unqueue_me
> 19 16.4% do_arch_prctl
> 18 1800.0% dummy_task_free_security
> 18 58.1% wake_futex
> 17 47.2% obj_offset
> 16 16.7% dbg_userword
> 15 0.0% kref_get
> 15 150.0% check_irq_off
> 15 300.0% __rcu_process_callbacks
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> 14 466.7% __switch_to
> 14 32.6% prepare_to_copy
> 14 8.2% get_futex_key
> 14 16.1% __wake_up
> 13 65.0% rt_mutex_debug_task_free
> 12 7.1% obj_size
> 11 19.3% add_wait_queue
> 11 275.0% put_pid
> 11 550.0% profile_task_exit
> 10 9.0% task_nice
> 9 100.0% __delay
> 8 57.1% call_rcu
> 8 7.8% find_extend_vma
> 8 266.7% ktime_get
> 8 23.5% sys_clone
> 8 25.0% delayed_put_task_struct
> 7 26.9% task_rq_lock
> 7 18.9% _spin_lock_irqsave
> 6 0.0% quicklist_trim
> 6 100.0% __up_write
> -6 -50.0% module_unload_free
> -6 -100.0% nr_running
> -7 -43.8% _raw_spin_trylock
> -7 -2.8% __alloc_pages
> -8 -33.3% sysret_check
> -8 -28.6% sysret_careful
> -8 -50.0% sysret_signal
> -8 -1.9% copy_namespaces
> -9 -16.7% memmove
> -9 -11.5% __phys_addr
> -9 -4.5% copy_semundo
> -10 -28.6% rwlock_bug
> -10 -27.8% wake_up_new_task
> -10 -10.4% sched_clock
> -10 -6.2% copy_user_generic_unrolled
> -11 -100.0% d_validate
> -11 -23.9% monotonic_to_bootbased
> -11 -10.6% dummy_task_create
> -11 -3.7% futex_wake
> -12 -3.9% __might_sleep
> -13 -100.0% vsnprintf
> -14 -13.0% plist_del
> -16 -84.2% sighand_ctor
> -17 -20.7% debug_rt_mutex_free_waiter
> -17 -42.5% release_thread
> -18 -29.5% init_waitqueue_head
> -19 -100.0% scnprintf
> -21 -12.7% copy_files

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> -22 -47.8% blocking_notifier_call_chain
> -23 -11.8% hash_futex
> -24 -18.8% call_rcu_bh
> -25 -19.8% mmpu
> -27 -16.5% down_read
> -27 -39.7% audit_alloc
> -27 -19.9% stub_clone
> -28 -16.3% set_normalized_timespec
> -32 -74.4% kfree_debugcheck
> -35 -30.2% sys_exit
> -40 -63.5% down_read_trylock
> -43 -8.6% zone_watermark_ok
> -49 -7.7% schedule
> -53 -5.4% system_call
> -54 -47.0% __blocking_notifier_call_chain
> -64 -24.8% getnstimeofday
> -66 -7.0% _raw_spin_lock
> -75 -22.9% ktime_get_ts
> -86 -100.0% snprintf
> -86 -12.8% kernel_thread
> -88 -38.1% plist_add
> -93 -5.4% __memcpy
> -100 -59.9% kmem_flagcheck
> -103 -18.5% acct_collect
> -113 -38.3% dbg_redzone1
> -138 -3.9% schedule_tail
> -162 -12.2% _spin_unlock
> -243 -7.3% thread_return
> -268 -83.5% proc_flush_task
> -289 -100.0% d_lookup
> -357 -100.0% d_hash_and_lookup
> -368 -6.1% release_task
> -642 -99.8% vsnprintf
> -816 -100.0% __d_lookup
> -1529 -100.0% number
> -2431 -100.0% alloc_pid
>
> * diffprofile 2.6.22-rc1-mm1 and 2.6.22-rc1-mm1-openvz-pidns
>
> 10046 11.8% total
> 6896 554.8% kmem_cache_free
> 1580 6.9% check_poison_obj
> 1222 0.0% alloc_pidmap
> 883 39.0% kmem_cache_alloc
> 485 128.6% cache_alloc_refill
> 263 8.4% do_exit
> 223 40.0% acct_collect
> 208 32.3% vsnprintf

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> 196 14.9% cache_alloc_debugcheck_after
> 162 4.5% schedule_tail
> 147 25.7% do_futex
> 138 276.0% __free_pages_ok
> 107 8.8% __down_read
> 107 43.7% plist_check_list
> 105 6.9% number
> 101 61.6% poison_obj
> 99 54.4% exit_sem
> 73 45.6% copy_user_generic_unrolled
> 72 42.1% get_futex_key
> 67 24.8% mm_release
> 60 6.1% system_call
> 59 35.3% __up_read
> 55 22.4% exit_mm
> 54 83.1% bad_range
> 54 18.3% dbg_redzone1
> 52 371.4% __free_pages
> 49 376.9% __put_task_struct
> 49 15.3% proc_flush_task
> 48 13.4% d_hash_and_lookup
> 48 14.0% sys_futex
> 47 18.6% plist_check_head
> 45 19.7% find_vma
> 44 5.4% __d_lookup
> 43 50.0% __get_free_pages
> 41 205.0% rt_mutex_debug_task_free
> 38 7.1% futex_wait
> 37 3.9% _raw_spin_lock
> 36 1800.0% pgd_dtor
> 35 13.6% getnstimeofday
> 35 109.4% delayed_put_task_struct
> 34 33.0% find_extend_vma
> 33 42.3% __phys_addr
> 32 19.6% plist_check_prev_next
> 32 320.0% alloc_uid
> 31 4.9% schedule
> 30 19.1% __put_user_4
> 29 580.0% __rcu_process_callbacks
> 29 39.2% ptregscall_common
> 28 82.4% gs_change
> 27 31.4% snprintf
> 27 75.0% obj_offset
> 26 173.3% __inc_zone_state
> 23 191.7% module_unload_free
> 21 0.6% thread_return
> 17 10.4% _raw_spin_unlock
> 16 59.3% rff_action

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> 15 10.0% put_files_struct
> 15 375.0% debug_rt_mutex_init
> 15 150.0% check_irq_off
> 14 350.0% put_pid
> 14 16.1% __wake_up
> 13 650.0% profile_task_exit
> 12 33.3% wake_up_new_task
> 10 7.4% stub_clone
> 8 800.0% dummy_task_free_security
> 8 266.7% tasklet_action
> 8 6.9% do_arch_prctl
> 7 41.2% dump_line
> 7 6.5% plist_del
> 7 4.2% kmem_flagcheck
> 7 36.8% up_write
> 6 3.6% obj_size
> 6 120.0% bad_page
> -6 -27.3% exit_thread
> -6 -66.7% __delay
> -6 -85.7% futex_requeue
> -6 -54.5% sys_vfork
> -6 -11.8% __spin_lock_init
> -7 -46.7% acct_process
> -7 -11.5% init_waitqueue_head
> -8 -20.5% unqueue_me
> -8 -28.6% sysret_careful
> -8 -4.8% copy_files
> -8 -50.0% sysret_signal
> -11 -31.4% rwlock_bug
> -11 -64.7% futexfs_get_sb
> -13 -21.0% debug_rt_mutex_init_waiter
> -13 -10.2% call_rcu_bh
> -13 -1.9% kernel_thread
> -13 -13.5% sched_clock
> -14 -4.8% d_lookup
> -14 -73.7% sighand_ctor
> -15 -30.0% ret_from_sys_call
> -16 -34.8% blocking_notifier_call_chain
> -17 -8.7% hash_futex
> -18 -41.9% prepare_to_copy
> -18 -17.3% dummy_task_create
> -22 -5.1% copy_namespaces
> -23 -6.2% account_user_time
> -24 -29.3% debug_rt_mutex_free_waiter
> -25 -27.5% dbg_redzone2
> -25 -21.6% sys_exit
> -27 -67.5% sched_fork
> -28 -44.4% down_read_trylock

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> -29 -30.2% dbg_userword
> -33 -29.7% task_nice
> -34 -79.1% kfree_debugcheck
> -35 -64.8% memmove
> -43 -26.2% down_read
> -43 -18.6% plist_add
> -46 -1.7% __memset
> -46 -26.7% set_normalized_timespec
> -48 -3.6% _spin_unlock
> -57 -11.4% zone_watermark_ok
> -61 -18.6% ktime_get_ts
> -80 -4.7% __memcpy
> -86 -3.7% get_page_from_freelist
> -87 -23.1% sched_balance_self
> -152 -22.7% copy_thread
> -383 -6.3% copy_process
> -920 -15.2% release_task
> -1032 -42.5% alloc_pid
> -1045 -85.7% __show_regs

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