Dude, Where's My Memory?





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A Few Words about the Speaker



- Nectar Daloglou; Progress & QAD since 2000.
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 - Progress Database Administration
 - Install/Upgrades/Migrations of Progress and QAD Applications
 - Technical Audits / Performance Tuning
 - Business Continuity Strategies
- Now part of White Star Software
- Recently helped migrate 70 Progress environments from AIX to Linux

Dude, Where's my Memory?



- A discussion about memory, not storage
- Focused on Linux
- Sorry, nothing to do with the movie:



Agenda



Memory 101

- Calculating Memory
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- Out of Memory Killer
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Virtual Memory



Maps virtual addresses into physical addresses



Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Virtual_memory





Virtual Memory Characteristics

- Divided into pages:
- # getconf PAGE_SIZE

4096

- 32-bit virtual memory space: 2^32 bytes = 4 GB
- 64-bit virtual memory space: 2^64 bytes =
 - A lot more space: 18,446,744,073,709,551,616





Virtual Memory Features

- Abstraction of hardware
- Process isolation
- Mapping outside of RAM
- Memory Sharing
- Lazy Allocation





Virtual Memory Segments



Source: http://techblog.cloudperf.net/2016/07/how-linux-kernel-manages-application_18.html



Memory Types

- Private Memory
- Shared Memory
- Anonymous Memory
- File-Backed
- Swap



Memory Types

	PRIVATE	SHARED
	1	2
ANONYMOUS	<pre>1 stack 2 malloc() 3 mmap(ANON, PRIVATE) 4 brk()/sbrk()</pre>	1 mmap(ANON, SHARED)
	3	4
FILE-BACKED	1 mmap(fd, PRIVATE) 2 binary/shared libraries	1 mmap(fd, SHARED)

Source: https://techtalk.intersec.com/2013/07/memory-part-1-memory-types/



Memory Analysis: pmap -x <pid>

• pmap –x <pid>:</pid>					
/data/protop/spaw	vn# pmap	-x 3376			
3376: _progres	-pf spaw	wn.pf -pf	mfgpro	.pf -pa	ram /tmp/mfgpro.flg
Address	Kbytes	RSS	Dirty	Mode	Mapping
000000000400000	9140	7128	0	r-x	_progres
00000000104b000	1528	144	144	rwx	[anon]
00007f58c9343000	2354408	7232	7232	rwxs-	[shmid=0xe0000]
00007f58c9343000	2354408	0	0	rwxs-	[shmid=0xe0000]
00007f5958e7d000	32772	16	16	rwx	[anon]
00007f5958e7d000	32772	0	0	rwx	[anon]
00007f595ae7e000	48	48	0	r-x	libnss_files-2.17.so
00007f595ae7e000	48	0	0	r-x	libnss_files-2.17.so
00007f595ae8a000	2044	0	0		libnss_files-2.17.so
00007f595ae8a000	2044	0	0		libnss_files-2.17.so
00007f595b089000	4	4	4	r-x	libnss_files-2.17.so
00007f595b089000	4	0	0	r-x	libnss_files-2.17.so
00007f595b08a000	4	4	4	rwx	libnss_files-2.17.so

Memory Analysis: /proc/<PID>/smaps

/proc/3376# more smaps 00400000-00ced000 r-xp 00000000 ca:01 525812 /usr/dlc116/bin/_progres Size: 9140 kB Rss: 7128 kB 99 kB Pss: 7128 kB Shared Clean: Shared_Dirty: 0 kB Private Clean: 0 kB Private_Dirty: 0 kB Referenced: 7128 kB Anonymous: 0 kB AnonHugePages: 0 kB ShmemPmdMapped: 0 kB Shared Hugetlb: 0 kB Private Hugetlb: 0 kB Swap: 0 kB 0 kB SwapPss: KernelPageSize: 4 kB MMUPageSize: 4 kB Locked: 0 kB VmFlags: rd ex mr mw me dw



Memory Status



#free -m

	total	used	free	shared	buffers	cached
Mem:	14966	13451	1515	0	234	237
-/+ buffe	ers/cache:	12979	1987			
Swap:	4094	367	3727			

Linux ate my ram!



Don't Panic! Your ram is fine!

Source: http://www.linuxatemyram.com/

Swap



- Reserved space to be used as virtual memory
- Read from disk via swap partition or file
- Much slower than RAM
- Stores inactive pages







• Find which process is using swap: getswap.sh

done
echo "Overall swap used: \$OVERALL"



getswap.sh



/data# ./getswap.sh |grep -v "Swap used\: 0"

PID=2943 - Swap used: 1336 - (sshd)
PID=2945 - Swap used: 1376 - (sshd)
PID=2946 - Swap used: 744 - (bash)
PID=2969 - Swap used: 1272 - (sudo)
PID=2970 - Swap used: 800 - (su)
PID=2971 - Swap used: 848 - (bash)
PID=2992 - Swap used: 200 - (bash)
PID=28088 - Swap used: 32656 - (java)
Overall swap used: 63393

Pin Shared Memory (-pinshm)



- Use –pinshm to ensure database shared memory does not end up in swap
- Not available on AIX or Windows





Adjust "Swapiness"



- Swapiness controls the relative weight given to swapping out runtime memory
- Adjust in /proc/sys/vm/swappiness or sysctl -w vm.swappiness=##

Value	Strategy
vm.swappiness = 0	The kernel will swap only to avoid an <u>out of memory</u> condition, when free memory will be below vm.min_free_kbytes limit. See the <u>"VM Sysctl documentation"</u> .
vm.swappiness = 1	Kernel version 3.5 and over, as well as Red Hat kernel version 2.6.32-303 and over: Minimum amount of swapping without disabling it entirely.
vm.swappiness = 10	This value is sometimes recommended to improve performance when sufficient memory exists in a system.
vm.swappiness = 60	The default value.
vm.swappiness = 100	The kernel will swap aggressively.







• Use vmstat to check for frequent swapping

#∨	mst	at	5 10												
р	roc	S				memory		swap			io	syst	em	cpu	
r	b	w	swpd	free	buff	cache	si	SO	bi	bo	in	CS	us	sy	id
•	• •														
1	0	0	13344	1444	1308	19692	0	168	129	42	1505	713	20	11	69
1	0	0	13856	1640	1308	18524	64	516	<mark>379</mark>	129	4341	646	24	34	42
3	0	0	13856	1084	1308	18316	56	64	14	0	320	1022	84	9	8

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Calculating with top



#top								
PID USER	PR	NI	VIRT	RES	SHR S	CPU %	MEM	TIME+ COMMAND
28088 root	20	0	3357m	28m	8148 S	0.0	0.4	1:59.48 java
3390 root	20	0	2608m	302m	88m R	2.6	3.8	19:47.58 _progres
3376 root	20	0	2432m	25m	19m R	2.6	0.3	19:49.51 _progres
19946 root	20	0	2400m	95m	88m R	2.3	1.2	56:31.13 _progres
19947 root	20	0	2400m	94m	88m R	2.6	1.2	56:32.26 _progres
19948 root	20	0	2400m	94m	88m R	3.0	1.2	56:31.78 _progres
19949 root	20	0	2400m	94m	88m R	2.6	1.2	56:31.38 _progres
19950 root	20	0	2400m	94m	88m R	2.6	1.2	56:30.52 _progres
19951 root	20	0	2400m	94m	87m R	3.0	1.2	56:31.57 _progres
19916 root	20	0	2322m	2.2g	2.2g S	0.4	28.7	0:28.29 _mprosrv

Issues:

- VIRT (Virtual Memory) not actual Physical Memory
- RES (Resident Memory) actual Physical Memory but also includes shared memory
- SHR is a subset of shared memory that is file-backed

Calculating with ps



Similar Issues:

/data#	ps aux	more						
USER	PID	%CPU	%MEM	VSZ	RSS TTY	STAT	START	TIME COMMAND
root	3376	2.7	0.3	2491044	26536 pts/0	S	Jun02	20:00 _progres
root	3390	2.7	3.7	2671460	310200 pts/0	D	Jun02	19:58 _progres
root	19916	0.0	28.7	2377768	2349960 pts/0	S	Jun01	0:28 _mprosrv
root	19946	2.8	1.1	2458312	97332 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:42 _progres
root	19947	2.8	1.1	2458312	96660 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:43 _progres
root	19948	2.8	1.1	2458312	96716 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:42 _progres
root	19949	2.8	1.1	2458312	96724 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:42 _progres
root	19950	2.8	1.1	2458312	96768 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:41 _progres
root	19951	2.8	1.1	2458312	96628 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:42 _progres
root	19952	2.8	1.1	2458312	96840 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:42 _progres
root	19953	2.8	1.1	2458312	96760 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:40 _progres
root	19954	2.8	1.1	2458312	96676 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:43 _progres
root	19955	2.8	1.1	2458312	96764 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:42 _progres
root	19956	2.8	1.1	2458312	96728 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:39 _progres
root	19957	2.8	1.1	2458312	96788 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:39 _progres
root	19958	2.8	1.1	2458312	96608 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:41 _progres
root	19959	2.8	0.3	2458312	26476 pts/0	R	Jun01	56:41 _progres
root	28088	0.0	0.3	3438184	29592 ?	Ssl	May31	1:59 java

Calculating with smaps extraction



Memuse.sh script:

```
#!/bin/bash
# http://stackoverflow.com/questions/3853655/in-linux-how-to-tell-how-much-
memory-processes-are-using
MYPID=$1
export MYPID
echo "======";
echo PID: $MYPID
echo "-----"
Rss=`echo 0 $(cat /proc/$MYPID/smaps | grep Rss | awk '{print $2}' | sed
's#^#+#') | bc;`
Shared=`echo 0 $(cat /proc/$MYPID/smaps | grep Shared | awk '{print $2}' |
sed 's#^#+#') | bc;`
Private=`echo 0 $(cat /proc/$MYPID/smaps | grep Private | awk '{print $2}' |
sed 's#^#+#') | bc;`
Swap=`echo 0 $(cat /proc/$MYPID/smaps | grep Swap | awk '{print $2}' | sed
's#^#+#') | bc;`
Pss=`echo 0 $(cat /proc/$MYPID/smaps | grep Pss | awk '{print $2}' | sed
's#^#+#') | bc;`
Mem=`echo "$Rss + $Shared + $Private + $Swap + $Pss" | bc -1`
```



Calculating with smaps extraction

Sample Output:

_progres:	_mprosrv:	java:
====== PID:20015 Rss 97092 Shared 90560 Private 6532 Swap 0 Pss 7872 =========== Mem 202056	<pre>====================================</pre>	====== PID:28088 Rss 31396 Shared 1400 Private 29996 Swap 31904 Pss 45973 ====================================
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PSS: Proportional Set Size which is RSS adjusted for sharing



Calculating with pmap -x



1. Add up all [stack] & [anon] resident memory mappings

Such as:

Address	Kbytes	RSS	Dirty	Mode	Mapping
00007ffaf4022000	20	20	20	rwx	[anon]
00007ffef9b57000	132	44	44	rwx	[stack]

2. Count shared memory mappings only once:

Address	Kbytes	RSS	Dirty	Mode	Mapping	
00007ffa631a4000	2354408	2344460	2344460	rwx <mark>s</mark>	- [shmid=0xe0000]

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Broker Parameters Can Affect Memory



- -B (Database Buffers): Measured in DB block size ex.: -B 1,000,000 on 4KB = Apx. 4GB
- -L (Lock-table Entries): 64 bytes / record lock

- Personally calculated 162 bytes in 11.6: data# proserve sports2000 -L 10000000 05:05:33 BROKER The startup of this database requires 1564Mb of shared memory. Maximum segment size is 2048Mb.

• -c (Index Cursors): 84 bytes each

Source: https://documentation.progress.com/output/ua/OpenEdge_latest/index.html#page/gsdbe/openedge-specific-memory-estimates.html

Broker Parameters Can Affect Memory



- -Mn (Remote Client Servers): 3MB-5MB each
- -n (Number of Users): 2KB each

- Personally calculated 40KB each in 11.6:

/data# proserve sports2000 -n 1000

OpenEdge Release 11.6 as of Fri Oct 16 18:22:20 EDT 2015

05:14:28 BROKER The startup of this database requires 44Mb of shared memory. Maximum segment size is 1024Mb.

Source: https://documentation.progress.com/output/ua/OpenEdge_latest/index.html#page/gsdbe/openedge-specific-memory-estimates.html



Be careful with tablerange/indexrange size



 Adding large values to –tablerangesize & indexrangesize can further increase memory usage by a factor of –n:

/data# proserve sports2000 -n 1000 -tablerangesize 10000 -indexrangesize 10000 OpenEdge Release 11.6 as of Fri Oct 16 18:22:20 EDT 2015 05:24:10 BROKER The startup of this database requires 885Mb of shared memory. Maximum segment size is 1024Mb.

Monitor tablerange/indexrange size with ProTop





- Free download: http://protop.wss.com
- White Star Software

Client Parameters Can Affect Memory



- -Bt (Temporary Table Buffers): n X -tmpbsize size
 - A value of –Bt 50,000 adds a 200MB anonymous page in resident memory:

Address	Kbytes	RSS	Dirty Mode	Mapping
00007f4fc59a7000	215668	214492	214492 rwx-	- [anon]

- Dynamically allocates more memory:
 - -mmax (Maximum Memory)
 - -D (Directory Size)
 - -l (Local Buffer Size)
 - -nb (Nested Blocks)
 - These can be limited by setting the –hardlimit parameter

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Linux Out of Memory Killer



- A self-preservation mechanism that terminates a process when memory is over committed.
- OOM will kill the most memory consuming process

/var/log/messages:
Oct 22 16:05:48 s619784dc3v142 kernel: Out of memory: Kill process 5995 (_mprosrv) score 421 or

sacrifice child
Oct 22 16:05:48 s619784dc3vl42 kernel: Killed process 5995, UID 65535, (_mprosrv) totalvm:34767444kB, anon-rss:12680kB, file-rss:31617936kB

• Likelihood is based on "badness" score



Linux Out of Memory Killer



 Check a process's likelihood of being terminated in /proc/<pid>/oom_score:

```
# cat /proc/8224/oom_score
```

```
2
```

Find the process most likely to be killed:

```
# dstat --top-oom
--out-of-memory---
kill score
_mprosrv 247
```

- Can control likelihood by setting oom_adj (Valid range -16 to +15; -17 to exempt:
 - Example: echo -17 > /proc/5995/oom_adj



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Case of the missing memory



- Customer reported OOM crashes
- RedHat recommended additional RAM & additional Swap
- Crashing stopped, but memory was still missing and still swapping:

# iree -m	L					
	total	used	free	shared	buffers	cached
Mem:	40076	39224	851	19961	3	891
-/+ buffe	rs/cache:	38329	1747			
Swap:	65151	4083	61068			

Case of the missing memory



- Calculating memory usage using pmap added up to 20GB vs 42GB being used
- Backup script was writing to a device that did not exist:
- tar cvf /dev/st0 \$DIRS
- Memory was being written into memorybacked file system

VMWare Ballooning



- VMWare ESX may reclaim memory from guest
 - Done through a private channel
 - Can cause kernel to swap
- Check for ballooning activity; look for non-zero values in /sys/kernel/debug/vmmemctl:

cat /sys/kernel/debug/vmmemctl
target: 0 pages
current: 0 pages

Infinite (-I) increases



Process eventually consumed all the memory

[2014/03/17@12:02:46.754-0400] P-8573096 increasing from 3323700 to 3323710.	т-1	I ABL	140: (5408)	WARNING: -1 exceeded. A	Automatically
[2014/03/17@12:02:46.760-0400] P-8573096 increasing from 3323710 to 3323720.	т-1	I ABL	140: (5408)	WARNING: -1 exceeded. A	Automatically
[2014/03/17@12:02:46.767-0400] P-8573096 increasing from 3323720 to 3323730.	T-1	I ABL	140: (5408)	WARNING: -1 exceeded. A	Automatically
[2014/03/17@12:02:46.773-0400] P-8573096 increasing from <mark>3323730 to 3323740</mark> .	T-1	I ABL	140: (5408)	WARNING: -1 exceeded. A	Automatically

• Monitor and consider -hardlimit







- Determining actual memory usage is not obvious, separate shared memory and count once
- Monitor to help prevent an OOM failure



Questions?

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• Questions or comments? Feel free to email me:

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