



Basic Commands

Prerequisite

Install Linux kernel header package(s) if you want to collect data using the LiKI DKLM module

Installation:

rpm --install --nodeps linuxki-5.3-1.noarch.rpm
dpkg --install linuxki 5.3-1 all.deb

Add LinuxKI to your PATH variable:

export PATH=\$PATH:/opt/linuxki

Collect KI Dump:

cd /dev/shm # if memory is available
runki [-d <secs>] # default is 20 secs

IMPORTANT NOTE: The longer the trace collection, the larger the resulting LinuxKI trace dump. Be sure you have plenty of disk space or space in /dev/shm to collect your LinuxKI trace dump!

Post-process KI Dump data

kiall [-r]

Mounting the debug filesystem (debugfs)

mount -t debugfs debugfs /sys/kernel/debug

Curses-base live mode

mount -t debugfs debugfs /sys/kernel/debug
kiinfo -live [-a <secs>] # default is 5 secs

Clean-up KI files in cwd

kiclean -p -v -f

KI dump collection Examples

KI dump help

runki -h

Collect for 60 seconds

runki -d 60

Collect using ftrace with all events

runki -f

Collect with Avanced CPU statistics

runki -R

Collect and include scsi subsys

runki -e default -s scsi

Collect with Collect/MW, sar, perf data and Java stacks

runki -M -U -X -j

Collect with all subsystems, excluding some system calls

echo "time" >sysignore
echo "futex" >>sysignore
echo "gettimeofday" >>sysignore
runki -e all -I sysignore

Collect using PID filtering for 2 minutes

runki -P 26814 -d 120

Collect data and add a comment

runki -c "slow run, only 30 MB/sec"

KI Dump Post Processing Examples

Post-processing help

kiall -h

Create <hostname>/<timestamp> subdir structure

kiall -r

Create Visualization charts and graphs

kiall -V

Create Kparse Report in text format

kiall -x

Online kiinfo Examples

kiinfo help

kiinfo -h

PID Analysis Report with multiple PID filters for 30 seconds

kiinfo -kipid pid=6814,pid=6815,scdetail -a 30

Disk Analysis report to show top 10 pids accessing a specific dev every 5 seconds for a minute

kiinfo -kidsk dev=0x00800010,npid=10 -a 5 -p 12

CPU/RunQ Analysis with Advanced CPU statistics

kiinfo -kirunq events=default, msr -a 5

Show just SCSI Synchronize Cache commands for 1 minute

kiinfo -kitrace subsys=scsi -a 60 | grep -i synchronize cache

KI Dump kiinfo Examples

PID Analysis Report with System Call details, Cooperating Task details, and per-pid RunQ Histogram

kiinfo -kipid scdetail,coop,rqhist -ts
0416 1523

PID Analysis Report with Time filtering

kiinfo -kipid scdetail -start 3.0 -end 4.0 -ts
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Disk Analysis Report with modify I/O Histogram

echo "2 5 10 20 50 100" >bkfname kiinfo -kidsk bkfname=bkfname -ts 0416 1523

Kitrace Report with formatted time and the per-cpu sequence counter for a specific CPU

kiinfo -kitrace seqcnt,fmttime,cpu=4 -ts
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Kiinfo -live Commands Menu

Global Statistics and Select

s - Select Task/CPU/Disk g - Global Task List 1 - Global Node Stats c - Global CPU Stats p - Global Prof Stats h - Global HT CPU Stats i - Global IRQ Stats d - Global Disk Stats m - Global Mpath Stats z - Global HBA Stats t - Global IO by PID f - Global File Stats w - Global Wait Stats u - Global Futex Stats n - Global Socket Stats k - Global Docker Stats

Per-Task Statistics and Selective Statistics

Control and Miscellaneous Commands

? - Help
r - Refresh
b - Prev Screen
+ - Show Syscall Detail
- - Hide Syscall Detail

Online mode only
a - Set Alarm Interval
e - Exclude Syscall

Dump mode only

> - Next Step
< - Prev Step
j - Step Time
J - Jump to Time

E - Show Excl Syscalls

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runki [-h] [-L] [-M] [-U] [-X] [-a] [-j] [-J path] [-f | -p] [-n interface] [-v] [-d duration] [-t maxrun] [-P pid] [-G tqid] [-C cpu] [-D dev]
 [-R] [-e vent] [-s subsys] [-I sysignore] [-T timestamp] [-c "comment"]
                 -h
                 -T.
                                 Gather minimal data for local analysis...no gzip/tar
                                 Include Collectl/MeasureWare data collection
                                Include userspace profile (perf) data collection
                                Include sar data collection
                 -X
                 -a
                                Execute 'perf annotate' on userspace profile (perf) data
                               Collect Java stacks
                              Location of Java istack command
                 -J <path>
                 -n <interface> Gather tcpdump trace data
                               Skip vxfs, misc disc data collection
                 -d <secs> Duration of KI data collection. Defaults to 20 secs if not specified.
-t <secs> Maximum time for data collection tools to run. Defaults to 120 secs if not specified.
                                Skip Per-PID data (lsof, stacks, numa maps, maps)
                 -p
                 - f
                                 Use ftrace tracing instead of liKI DLKM tracing to dump trace data.
                              Filter collection on Task ID or PID (LiKI only)
                 -P <pid>
                           Filter collection on Task Group ID or TGID (LiKI only)
                 -G <tgid>
                 -C <cpu> Filter collection on cpu (LiKI only)
                -D <dev>
                              Filter collection on device (LiKI only)
                              Advance CPU stats (Freq, CPI, LLC Hits) using MSR registers (LiKI only)
                 -e <event> Identify events to dump. Possible values are: default | all | <event>
                 -s <subsys> Identify subsys to dump. For example: irq, scsi, block, etc.
                 -I <sysignore> File to specify ignored system call (liki only)
                 -T <timestamp> Should be of the form MMDD HHMM
                 -V "<varargs>" Specify multiple filters and flags to pass to kiinfo -likidump
                 -c "comment" echo comment into comment.$tag file
 kiall [-h] [-l] [-m] [-r] [-f] [-c] [-x] [-t timestamp]
             -h
                              Help
                              Lite version - bypasses some options
             -1
                              Do not process collectl or MWA data
                             restore into created subdir - <host>/<MMDD HHMM>
                             Find KI files in pwd and any directories below
                             Cluster-wide processing
                             Generate Kparse text format instead of html format
                            Leave C++ function names mangled
                            Use visualization options where possible in reports
             -t <timestamp> Only process KI budle with matching timestamp
kiclean [-h] [-r] [-f] [-p] [-v]
                             Recursively traverse sudirs looking for KI data to archive
                            Remove PIDS subdirectory
                             Remove VIS subdirectory & rel. sh/php/html files
            – f
                             Force remove misc/tmp files
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