NAME

statistics - Shore performance information

SYNOPSIS

pstats cstats

DESCRIPTION

The above commands are commands to the Shore Value-Added Server process's Tcl shell (terminal interface). The command **pstats** prints a plethora of server statistics. The command **cstats** clears the statistics that are collected for the entire server. Some statistics are collected for each client; those are not cleared, and the per-client statistics disappear when the client disconnects from the server. The statistics are described below.

The Shore Value-Added Server also keeps myriad statistics in the client process (library), which are also described here.

All the descriptions below include a name, which is also a manifest constant that is available to Shore applications that use the statistics-gathering programming interface (see **statistics(fc)**).

CLIENT STATISTICS

Batching statistics for TCP

This module describes the client library's batching of update requests into single remote operations (RPCs). These statistics are subject to change, as the interaction between the two processes becomes more sophisticated and more parallelism is introduced in future releases.

BATCH hit qmax

The number of times the batch queue was flushed because it reached its capacity (in number of requests).

BATCH_hit_tcpmax

The number of times the batch queue was flushed because the socket buffer capacity was reached either locally or at the server.

BATCH sent

The number of times the batch queue was flushed because the user requested it.

BATCH_batches

The total number of batches flushed (sent).

BATCH_avgsent

The average number of requests per batch.

BATCH_queued

The total number of requests batched.

BATCH__min_capacity

The difference between the BATCH_max_capacity (below) and the maximum number of bytes queued in the socket buffer.

BATCH__max_q_len

The capacity of the queue in number of requests.

BATCH__max_capacity

The capacity of the queue on number of bytes. This is the smaller of the sizes of the local socket buffer and the server's socket buffer.

The following module describes shared-memory activity. This applies only when the client process and the server are running on the same machine, and when shared memory has been allocated for communication between the two processes (it is by default; you can turn it off with options.) (Using shared memory does not eliminate all use of TCP.)

SHMBATCH_hit_shmmax

The number of times the batch queue was flushed because there was no more shared memory for storing requests. **options(svas)** for information about allocating shared memory for updates.

SHMBATCH whole

Total shared memory allocated for batching requests.

SHMBATCH__min_left

The difference between the SHMBATCH_whole and and the maximum number of bytes queued in shared memory.

SERVER STATISTICS

The Shore threads package maintains the following statistics. Many of them are of interest only to those people who are writing value-added servers, or to the Shore developers. Many of these statistics will be removed in later releases of Shore.

STHREAD_namemallocs

The number of times the package invoked a **fast malloc** for named threads. (Threads are named to aid debugging.)

STHREAD_ctxsw

Context switches between threads.

STHREAD_spins

Times the process performed a busy-wait on a spin-lock (it contended with a 'diskrw' process for a mutual-exclusion variable).

STHREAD_io

Calls to perform disk I/O through a 'diskrw' process.

STHREAD_ccio

Concurrent calls to perform disk I/O.

STHREAD_iowaits

Times the server process waited for a 'diskrw' process to deliver its goods.

STHREAD selects

Total number of Unix select() calls.

STHREAD_selfound

Times select returned before its timeout, because a file descriptor was ready for input or output.

STHREAD eintrs

Times select was interrupted by a signal (normally from the 'diskrw' process).

STHREAD_idle

Times select() returned because its timeout expired.

STHREAD zero

Times the 'diskrw' started and finished an operation before the server called select(). (The server was busy while the I/O was being performed.)

STHREAD_one

Times the server called select() once between the started and end of an I/O operation.

STHREAD_two

Times the server called select() twice between the started and end of an I/O operation.

STHREAD_three

Times the server called select() three times between the started and end of an I/O operation.

STHREAD_more

Times the server called select() more than three times between the started and end of an I/O operation.

STHREAD_wrapped

Times the select counter wrapped.

The following statistics are kept by the diskrw process (which you never see) and by the server process. A value-added-server writer might modify the 'diskrw' process to print its statistics for serious debugging, but in general, the server's versions of these statistics are adequate. (The descriptions below are from the server's point of view; the meanings for the 'diskrw' process are somewhat different.) The server process notifies the 'diskrw' process that an I/O request is queued by sending a SIGUSR1 signal. The 'diskrw' process notifies the server that the I/O request is satisfied by sending a SIGUSR2 signal. Both processes use ALRM signals to poll their queues every once-in-a-while if necessary.

DISKRW_alarm

ALRM signals received.

DISKRW_notify

SIGUSR1 sent to 'diskrw' process.

DISKRW_kicks

SIGUSR2 received.

DISKRW falarm

Server found a message in a queue because of an ALRM signal.

DISKRW_fnotify

Server found a message in a queue because of a signal from the other process (SIGUSR2).

DISKRW_found

Server found a message by polling the queue at any other time.

DISKRW_lastsig

The signal number of the last signal received from the 'diskrw' process.

DISKRW_spins

Not used by the server.

The Shore Storage Manager maintains a large set of statistics described in statistics(ssm).

The RPC service keeps the following statistics:

SVC_STAT_replies_success

RPC replies indicating success.

SVC_STAT_replies_noproc

RPC replies indicating "no such procedure".

SVC_STAT_replies_noprog

RPC replies indicating "no such program".

SVC_STAT_replies_progmismatch

RPC replies indicating "version mismatch".

SVC_STAT_replies_nodecode

RPC replies indicating "couldn't decode request".

SVC_STAT_replies_systemerr

RPC replies indicating "system error".

SVC_STAT_replies_denied

RPC replies indicating "denied" -- authentication failure.

TCPSVC_STAT_replymax

Largest reply sent over TCP.

TCPSVC_STAT_reqmax

Largest request received over TCP.

These are internal to the UDP RPC service and are subject to change:

UDPSVC_STAT_cache_finds

UDPSVC_STAT_cache_nofinds

UDPSVC_STAT_cache_hits

UDPSVC_STAT_cache_misses

UDPSVC_STAT_cache_sets

UDPSVC_STAT_cache_presets

UDPSVC_STAT_cache_gets

UDPSVC_STAT_recvfroms

These might be of interest to the user; they apply only to the UDP services (MOUNTD and NFSD).

UDPSVC_STAT_drops

Number of requests dropped because for lack of buffering capacity.

UDPSVC_STAT_done

Requests serviced.

UDPSVC_STAT_replies

Replies sent.

UDPSVC_STAT_rereplies

Re-transmitted replies.

UDPSVC_STAT_retrans

Number of different requests received having retransmissions.

UDPSVC_STAT_retrans_total

Total number of retransmitted requests received (for any requests).

UDPSVC_STAT_retrans_max

Maximum number of retransmissions detected for any given request.

UDPSVC_STAT_replymax

Largest reply sent over UDP.

UDPSVC_STAT_reqmax

Largest request received over UDP.

These statistics are kept for the NFS service:

NFSD_lock_timeouts

The number of times an operation could not be performed because it would have to wait for lock.

NFSD_nosuch_errors

The number of errors for which there is no reasonable NFS error response.

The module called "System properties cache (per-client)" will be removed in the next release.

The Shore value-added-server contains four modules that serve different RPC interfaces: NFS, MOUNT (for NFS), clients, and other Shore value-added servers. For each of these services, there is a module that counts the numbers of RPC requests received.

STATISTICS ON SERVER AND CLIENT

Both processes count the requests received. In the client library, two sets of counts are kept: one to reflect the local requests ("Client Requests"), and another to reflect the remote operations, or requests forwarded to the server ("Messages Sent"). These two sets of numbers may differ because sometimes a single local request is broken into several remote requests. For example, a request to create a very large object with initialized data may result in a request to create an object followed by a series of write or append requests.

On the server, they reflect the remote operations requested by the client ("Client RPCs"), which might be less than the client's count because some can be satisfied locally on the client. Shore users are discouraged from using the constants to print individual statistics in this group because the constants are generated by the RPC package, and they change with each change to the client-server protocol. For that reason, we do not make the constants manifest. Nevertheless, if you print the statistics from the Shore server's terminal interface, or with the object cache *oc_pstats* option, you will see these counts.

The Unix resource usage statistics are collected and reported in both processes. The defined constants for these statistics are:

UNIX_utime_tv_sec

UNIX_utime_tv_usec

UNIX_stime_tv_sec

UNIX_stime_tv_usec

UNIX_ru_idrss

UNIX_ru_minflt

UNIX_ru_majflt

UNIX_ru_nswap

UNIX_ru_inblock

UNIX_ru_oublock

UNIX_ru_msgsnd

UNIX_ru_msgrcv

UNIX_ru_nsignals

UNIX_ru_nvcsw

UNIX_ru_nivcsw

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SEE ALSO

statistics(ssm), statistics(oc), and statistics(fc)