

在pip的测试脚本中有如下command

```
sync ; echo 3 > /proc/sys/vm/drop_caches
```

Writing to this will cause the kernel to drop clean caches, dentries and inodes from memory, causing that memory to become free.

To free pagecache:

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* echo 1 > /proc/sys/vm/drop_caches
```

To free dentries and inodes:

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* echo 2 > /proc/sys/vm/drop_caches
```

To free pagecache, dentries and inodes:

```
* echo 3 > /proc/sys/vm/drop_caches
```

As this is a non-destructive operation, and dirty objects are notfreeable, the user should run "sync" first in order to make sure allcached objects are freed.

This tunable was added in 2.6.16.