

Troubleshooting Oracle performance issues beyond the Oracle wait interface



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- Oracle performance tuning (e.g. Application, CBO, Database, Design, SQL)
- Oracle core internals researching (e.g. DTrace, GDB, Perf, etc.)
- Troubleshooting nontrivial Oracle RDBMS issues (e.g. Heap dumps, System state dumps, etc.)
- Services are mainly based on short-term contracting







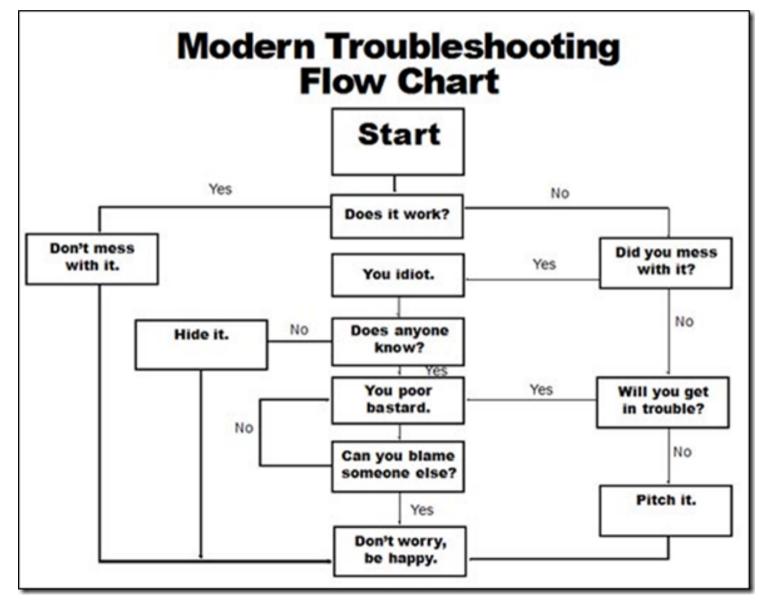


Agenda

- Systematic troubleshooting What are we talking about?
- Basics of Oracle's extended SQL trace & event instrumentation
- "System call trace" vs. "Stack trace"
- Capturing and interpreting "Stack traces" with focus on Linux
 - Oradebug (Oracle), GDB and its wrapper (OS), Perf (OS), Others
- Safety warning Are "Stack traces" safe to use in production?
- Combine Oracle wait interface and "Stack traces"
- Use cases
 - Long parse time
 - Real life root cause identified + fixed with help of "Stack traces"



Systematic troubleshooting - What are we talking about? (1)





Systematic troubleshooting - What are we talking about? (2)

1. Identify performance bottleneck based on response time Method R by Cary Millsap

Business process is affected by single SQL running on CPU only

- 2. Interpret execution plan with help of additional SQL execution statistics (or Real-Time SQL Monitoring) and/or wait interface
 - PL/SQL package DBMS_XPLAN or DBMS_SQLTUNE

No execution plan issue found

- 3. Capture and interpret session statistics and performance counters
 - Tools like Snapper by Tanel Poder

Still no obvious root cause for the high CPU load

- 4. Capture and interpret system call or stack traces
 - This is what this session is about. Disassembling Oracle code.



Basics of Oracle's extended SQL trace and event instrumentation (1)

- Extended SQL trace basics
 - Database call (= OPI call) lines

begin with the keyword PARSE, EXEC, FETCH, CLOSE, RPC EXEC, UNMAP, SORT UNMAP, LOBREAD, or LOBARRTMPFRE. Such a line indicates that an application client has made a database call, and that the database has responded to it.

FETCH #12390720: c=8000, e=1734, p=1, cr=7, cu=0, mis=0, r=1, dep=2, og=4, plh=3992920156, tim=1294438818783887

More CPU time than elapsed time?

- CPU time value is precise to ±10.000 microseconds
- Elapsed time value is precise to ±1 microseconds

System call lines

begin with the keyword WAIT. Such a line indicates that the Oracle kernel process has made one (or more) syscall, and that the OS has responded to it.

WAIT #12397272: nam='db file sequential read' ela= 221 file#=1 block#=2735 blocks=1 obj#=423 tim=1294438818791494



Basics of Oracle's extended SQL trace and event instrumentation (2)

Oracle's event instrumentation basics

DEMO

Database call lines (simplified)

```
12 function dbcall {
    e0 = gettime();
                                                             # mark the time before the call
    c0 = getrusage();
                                                             # mark the CPU time consumed before the call
                                                             # execute the dbcall here; maybe make calls to dbcall() or syscall()
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                                                             # mark the time after the call
    el = gettime();
  c1 = getrusage();
                                                             # mark the CPU time consumed after the call
20 nam = ...;
                                                             # name assigned to the call: PARSE, EXEC, FETCH, ...
                                                             # cursor handle ID
21 cid = ...;
   e = e1 - e0;
                                                             # elapsed duration between wall times
  c = (c1.utime + c1.stime) - (c0.utime + c0.stime)
                                                             # CPU time consumed by the call
    write(TRC, "%s #%d:c=%d,e=%d...", nam, cid, c, e, ...); # write the dbcall record to the trace file
25 }
```

Screenshots from ISBN 1518897886

System call lines (simplified)

```
function syscall {
    ela0 = gettime();  # mark the time before the call

    ...  # execute the syscall here

ela1 = gettime();  # mark the time after the call

nam = ...;  # name assigned to the code path by some Oracle developer

cid = ...;  # cursor handle ID

ela = ela1 - ela0;  # elapsed duration between wall times

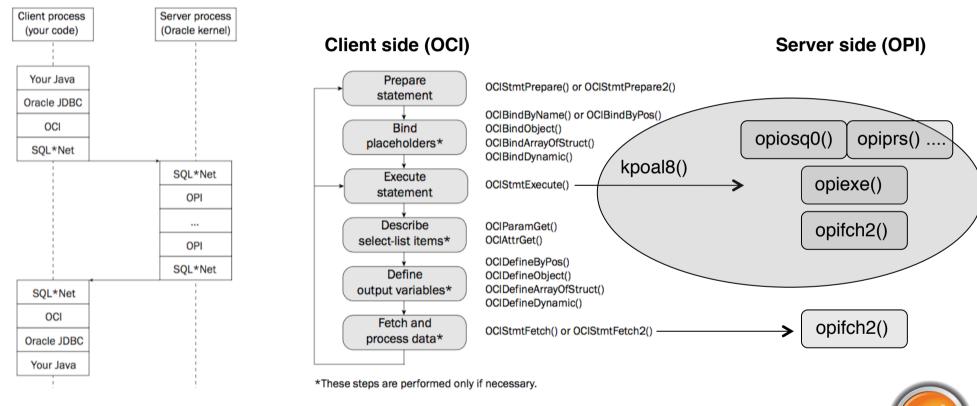
write(TRC, "WAIT #%d: nam='%s'...", cid, nam, ela, ...); # write the syscall record to the trace file

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Basics of Oracle's extended SQL trace and event instrumentation (3)

Are all OPI calls instrumented in Oracle's extended SQL trace?



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```
SQL> select count(*) from v$toplevelcall;
SQL> alter session set events '10051 trace name context forever,
    level 1';
```



"System call trace" vs. "Stack trace"

System call trace

- A system call is the fundamental interface between an application and the (Linux) kernel and is generally not invoked directly, but rather via wrapper functions in glibc (or some other library). For example: truncate() → truncate() or truncate64()
- Example of Oracle using system calls: gettimeofday(), clock_gettime(), pread()
- Tools: Strace (Linux), Truss (AIX / Solaris), Tusc (HP-UX)
- Be aware of vDSO / vSyscall64 feature when tracing system calls on Linux (control option "kernel.vsyscall64" has been removed with kernel version 3.0)

Stack trace / Stack backtrace

- A call stack is the list of names of methods called at run time from the beginning of a program until the execution of the current statement
- Tools: Oradebug (Oracle), GDB + wrappers or Perf or SystemTap (Linux), DTrace (Solaris), Procstack (AIX)

The stack trace includes the called methods / functions of an Oracle process and the system call trace includes only the (function) requests to the OS kernel

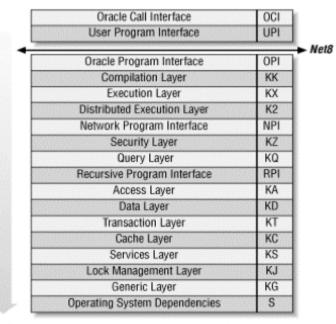


Capturing "Stack traces" with focus on Linux (1)

Tool "Oradebug" (Oracle tool and platform independent)



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Translation of Oracle kernel function names

- 1. MOS ID #175982.1 (Google it)
- 2. ORADEBUG DOC COMPONENT
- 3. My Oracle support bug section
- 4. Google



Capturing "Stack traces" with focus on Linux (2)

Tool "GDB" (GNU debugger) and its wrapper script pstack



```
shell> /usr/bin/pstack <PID>
shell> adb
(qdb) attach <PID>
(qdb) backtrace
 #0 0x000000336d00e530 in read nocancel () from /lib64/libpthread.so.0
                                                                           0x000000336d00e530 in read nocancel () from /lib64/libpthread.so.0
 #1 0x000000000b924620 in snttread ()
                                                                           0x0000000000b924620 in snttread ()
 #2 0x000000000b923a95 in nttfprd ()
                                                                          0x0000000000b923a95 in nttfprd ()
 #3 0x000000000b90eac9 in nsbasic brc ()
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 #4 0x0000000000b90e8d6 in nsbrecv ()
                                                                       #4 0x0000000000b90e8d6 in nsbrecv ()
 #5 0x000000000b913778 in niogrc ()
                                                                           0x000000000b913778 in niogrc ()
 #6 0x000000000b5b9a43 in opikndf2 ()
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 #7 0x0000000001e44f93 in opitsk ()
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 #8 0x0000000001e49c28 in opiino ()
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 #9 0x000000000b5bc3c2 in opiodr ()
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 #10 0x0000000001e4118a in opidrv ()
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 #11 0x00000000025381f8 in sou2o ()
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 #12 0x00000000000b393a7 in opimai real ()
                                                                       #12 0x00000000000b393a7 in opimai real ()
 #13 0x0000000002542898 in ssthrdmain ()
                                                                       #13 0x0000000002542898 in ssthrdmain ()
 #14 0x0000000000b392de in main ()
                                                                       #14 0x00000000000b392de in main ()
```

GDB is based on ptrace() system calls



Capturing "Stack traces" with focus on Linux (3)

- Performance counters for Linux (Linux kernel-based subsystem)
 - Framework for collecting and analyzing performance data, e.g. hardware events, including retired instructions and processor clock cycles and many more
 - Based on sampling (default avg. 1000 Hz respectively 1000 samples/sec)
 - Caution in virtualized environments when capturing cpu-cycles events (VMware KB #2030221)
 - Tool "Perf" is based on perf_events interface exported by Linux kernel (>= 2.6.31)

```
shell> perf record -e cpu-cycles -o /tmp/perf.out -g -p <PID>
```

Hardware event (cpu-cycles) = Usage of kernel's performance registers Software event (cpu-clock) = Depends on timer interrupt

- Poor man's stack profiling
 - When no other tool is available and you need a quick insight into sampled stacks

Script by Tanel Poder to translate C function names into known functionality



Capturing "Stack traces" with focus on Linux (4)

- Listing other capturing tools for completeness
 - OStackProf by Tanel Poder (needs to be run from Windows SQL*Plus client as based on oradebug short_stack and VBS script for post processing)
 - DTrace on Solaris (e.g. DTrace toolkit script "hotuser" by Brendan Gregg or analysis with PID provider)
 - DTrace on Linux lacks in case of userspace integration / probing
 - SystemTap (with Linux kernel >= 3.5 for userspace probing) otherwise "utrace patch" needs to be applied

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Interpreting "Stack traces" with focus on Linux

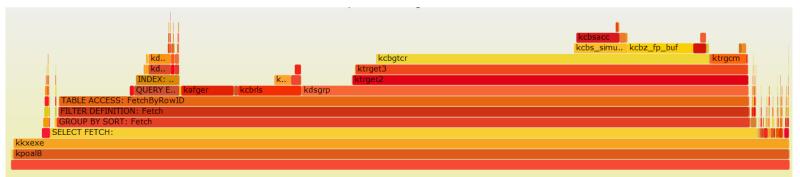
- Performance counters for Linux (Linux kernel-based subsystem)
 - Tool "Perf"

```
shell> perf report -i /tmp/perf.out -g none -n --stdio shell> perf report -i /tmp/perf.out -g graph -n --stdio
```

Problem: Depending on the stack trace content there may be too much data to interpret in this format. **Main question: Where is the bulk of CPU time spent?**

Tool "Flame Graph" by Brendan Gregg (works with DTrace & SystemTap too)





Safety warning - Are "Stack traces" safe to use in production?

If your database is already in such a state ...
 ... then don't worry about the possible
 consequences and issues by capturing
 stack traces



- Be aware of different behavior by capturing stack traces, if only some specific business processes are affected
 - Tool "Oradebug" "Unsafe" as it alters code path / SIGUSR2 (e.g bug #15677306)



- Tool "GDB" (and its wrappers) "Unsafe" as it suspends the process (ptrace syscall) with possible impact on communication to kernel or other processes
- Tool "Perf" based on Linux performance counters Safe by design, but fallback to the other tools is still needed, if the process is not running on CPU and stuck somewhere else
- DTrace (Solaris) Safe by design



Combine Oracle wait interface and "Stack traces" (1)

- Fulltime.sh by Craig Shallahamer and Frits Hoogland
 - Based on V\$SESSION_EVENT and Linux performance counters

```
shell> fulltime.sh <PID> <SAMPLE_DURATION> <SAMPLE_COUNT>
PID: 1861 SID: 12 SERIAL: 5 USERNAME: TEST at 22-Sep-2015 11:06:26
CURRENT SQL: select /*+ use_hash(t2) */ count(*) from TEST t1, TEST t2 where t1.own
total time: 11.376 secs, CPU: 6.584 secs (57.88%), wait: 4.792 secs (42.12%)
```

Time Component	Time secs	8	
<pre>wait: SQL*Net message from client cpu : [.] qerhjWalkHashBucket cpu : [.] rworupo cpu : [.] kxhrPUcompare cpu : [.] qesrAddRowFromCtx cpu : [.] qksbgGetCursorVal cpu : [k] finish_task_switch cpu : [.] kxhrUnpack</pre>	4.767 1.976 1.064 0.839 0.749 0.508 0.491 0.317	41.90 17.37 9.35 7.37 6.58 4.47 4.32 2.78	
<pre>cpu : [.] _intel_fast_memcmp cpu : [.] qksbgGetVal cpu : [?] sum of funcs consuming less than 2% of CPU time wait: direct path read wait: db file sequential read wait: SQL*Net message to client</pre>	0.231 0.227 0.182 0.025 0.000 0.000	2.03 2.00 1.60 .22 .00	



Combine Oracle wait interface and "Stack traces" (2)

 Oracle 12c enhancement - Diagnostic event "wait_event[]" in "new" kernel diagnostics & tracing infrastructure

```
SQL> oradebug doc event name wait_event
wait_event: event to control wait event post-wakeup actions

SQL> alter session set events 'wait_event["<wait event name>"]
trace("%s\n", shortstack())';

WAIT #140311192202592:
nam='direct path read' ela= 2166 file number=4 first dba=179 blockcnt=13 obj#=92417 tim=589834270

kslwtectx|<-ksfdaio<-kcflbi<-kcbldio<-kcblrd<-kcblgt<-kcbldrget<-kcbgtcr<-ktrget3<-ktrget2<-kdst_fetch<-kdstf000010100001km<-kdsttgr<-qertbFetch<-qerstFetch<-restFetch<-qerstFetch<-qerstFetch<-qerstFetch<-pifch2<-kpoal8<-opiodr<- ttcpips

Combine extended SQL trace & event wait_event[]
```

Function kslwtectx marks end of wait event

```
SQL> alter session set events 'wait_event["<wait event name>"]

{wait:minwait=1000} trace(''event "%", p1 %, p2 %, p3 %, wait

time %\nStk=%\n'', evargs(5), evargn(2), evargn(3), evargn(4),

evargn(1), shortstack())';
```

Additional condition (e.g. min wait duration in microseconds) and different syntax is also available



Use case: Long parse time (1)

- Common expression of "parsing a SQL" is a two step approach
 - Parsing (simplified)

Oracle checks if the SQL statement is a valid one (syntactic analysis). Afterwards it checks and figures out things like object types, columns in object types, constraints, triggers, indexes, privileges, etc. (semantic analysis).

Optimizing (simplified)

After the statement is parsed, the optimizer starts its work by checking stats and doing its arithmetic (logical and physical).

Which db call does parse / optimize a SQL and consumes CPU?

Same SELECT 1 slightly diff

PARSE #?
 145.88 sec CPU time on PARSE #

PARSE #139908600390448: c=145882000,e=147715884, p=24,cr=110,cu=0,mis=1,r=0,dep=0,og=1,plh=2871710578,tim=6634689356 EXEC #139908600390448:c=5000,e=5312,p=0,cr=0,cu=0,mis=0,r=0,dep=0,og=1,plh=2871710578,tim=6634697928

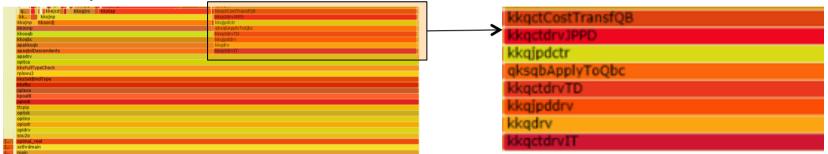
PEXEC #? 173.18 sec CPU time on EXEC #

PARSE #140105239001656:c=158000,e=158917,p=11,cr=47,cu=0,mis=1,r=0,dep=0,og=1,plh=0,tim=6689158919
EXEC #140105239001656:c=173185000,e=173276889,p=11,cr=63,cu=0,mis=0,r=0,dep=0,og=1,plh=2871710578,tim=6862439553



Use case: Long parse time (2)

- Oracle version < 12.1.0.2.160419 (PSU Apr 2016)
 - Need to profile the CBO C call stack



- Oracle version >= 12.1.0.2.160419 (PSU Apr 2016)
 - CBO (10053) trace enhancement #16923858 MOS ID #16923858.8
 - May still need to profile the CBO C call stack if parsing is stuck forever

```
VALUE DESCRIPTION
     BUGN0
  16923858
                   6 Display timings in Optimizer trace when over 10<sup>^</sup><value> microsec
TIMER: Star Transformation SEL$1 cpu: 0.000000 sec elapsed: 0.000349 sec
TIMER: Join Factorization SEL$1 cpu: 0.001000 sec elapsed: 0.000596 sec
TIMER: Cost-Based Join Predicate Push-Down SEL$1 cpu: 0.000000 sec elapsed: 0.000749 sec
TIMER: OLAP AW Join Pushing SEL$1 cpu: 0.000000 sec elapsed: 0.000012 sec
TIMER: Type Checking after CBQT SEL$1 cpu: 0.003000 sec elapsed: 0.002969 sec
TIMER: Cost-Based Transformations (Overall) SEL$1 cpu: 0.030000 sec elapsed: 0.029888 sec
TIMER:
            bitmap access paths cpu: 0.000000 sec elapsed: 0.000106 sec
TIMER:
           costing general plans cpu: 0.000000 sec elapsed: 0.000134 sec
TIMER:
            bitmap access paths cpu: 0.000000 sec elapsed: 0.000023 sec
TIMER: Access Path Analysis (Final) SEL$1 cpu: 0.139000 sec elapsed: 0.143430 sec
TIMER: SQL Optimization (Overall) SEL$1 cpu: 0.254000 sec elapsed: 0.257128 sec
```

Use case: Real life root cause identified + fixed with help of "Stack traces" (1)

Environment and issue

- Large SAP system with Oracle 11.2.0.2 running on AIX 6.1
- Most of the SAP work processes are stuck in a simple INSERT statement and burning up all CPUs on database server
- Index key compression and OLTP compression is enabled
- SQL statement:

```
SQL> INSERT INTO "BSIS" VALUES (:A0 , ... ,:A81);
```

Applying systematic troubleshooting

Identify performance bottleneck based on response time with Method R

Performance bottleneck is clearly caused by the INSERT statement as 100% of the end user response time is spent on it and all application processes are affected by this

No further response time analysis needed here



Use case: Real life root cause identified + fixed with help of "Stack traces" (2)

- Applying systematic troubleshooting
 - Interpret execution plan with help of additional SQL execution statistics (or Real-Time SQL Monitoring) and wait interface

```
| Id | Operation
                                   | Name | Cost |
    0 | INSERT STATEMENT
    1 | LOAD TABLE CONVENTIONAL |
SQL> select LAST_DDL_TIME, CREATED, STATUS, OBJECT_NAME from dba_objects where OBJECT_NAME like 'BSIS%';
                           STATUS OBJECT_NAME
LAST_DDL_TIME CREATED
30.07.2011 23:28:44 30.07.2011 16:41:53 VALID BSIS
30.07.2011 23:28:47 30.07.2011 19:46:40 VALID
                                          BSIS~0
30.07.2011 23:28:47 30.07.2011 21:18:13 VALID
                                          BSIS~1
SQL> select INDEX_NAME, VISIBILITY, STATUS from dba_indexes where table_name = 'BSIS';
INDEX_NAME
                            VISIBILIT STATUS
BSIS~1
                            VISIBLE VALID
BSIS~0
                            VISIBLE VALID
SQL> select data_object_id from dba_objects where object_name = 'BSIS';
DATA_OBJECT_ID
437114
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Use case: Real life root cause identified + fixed with help of "Stack traces" (3)

- Applying systematic troubleshooting
 - Capture and interpret session statistics and performance counters

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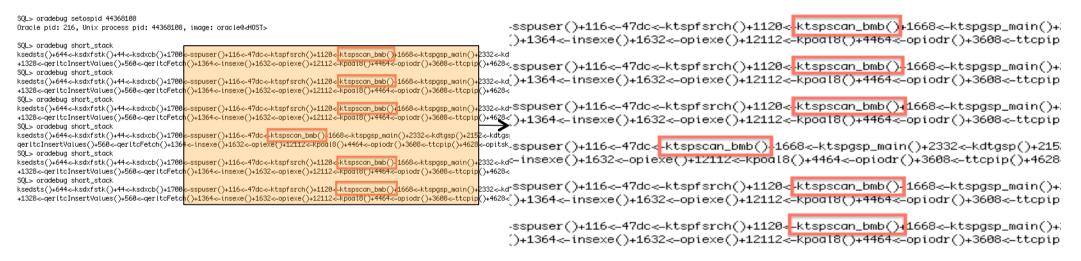
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```
PARSING IN CURSOR #4576739504 len=508 dep=0 uid=27 oct=2 lid=27 tim=13805989431919 hv=3150275596 ad='700000fb6b04460' sqlid='74wzh02xwat0c'
INSERT INTO "BSIS"
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Use case: Real life root cause identified + fixed with help of "Stack traces" (5)

- Applying systematic troubleshooting
 - Capture and interpret system call or stack traces



- Process is stuck in main call stack "ktspscan_bmb" + on-top functions. The high CPU usage ("session logical reads") is the consequence of it
- Table "BSIS" is stored in an ASSM tablespace and the call stack "ktspfsrch <ktspscan_bmb" is related to "first level bitmap block search"
- MOS search results in bug #13641076 "HIGH AMOUNT OF BUFFER GETS FOR INSERT STATEMENT - REJECTIONLIST DOES NOT FIRE"
- Root cause found and can be fixed by applying corresponding patch



Questions and answers



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