

Tvheadend - Bug #5417

Each time the channel is changed, the memory is more occupied by the GPU -> NVENC -> Transcode

2018-12-11 17:52 - Ronny M.

Status:	Resolved	Start date:	2018-12-11
Priority:	Normal	Due date:	
Assignee:		% Done:	0%
Category:	Transcoding	Estimated time:	0.00 hour
Target version:	999	Affected Versions:	
Found in version:	4.3		

Description

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Thanks and greetings

Enclosed an output from nvidia-smi

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| NVIDIA-SMI 390.77                Driver Version: 390.77          |
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| GPU  Name            Persistence-M| Bus-Id        Disp.A | Volatile Uncorr. ECC |
| Fan  Temp  Perf    Pwr:Usage/Cap|      Memory-Usage | GPU-Util  Compute M. |
|====+=====+====+=====+=====+=====+
|   0  Quadro P5000             Off   | 00000000:65:00:0 Off   |          Off         |
| 34%   56C    P0     46W / 180W | 1499MiB / 16278MiB |      1%    Default   |
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| Processes:                                     GPU Memory |
|  GPU       PID    Type    Process name                        Usage      |
|====+=====+====+=====+=====+=====+
|   0         66068    C   /usr/bin/tvheadend                    1487MiB   |
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| NVIDIA-SMI 390.77                Driver Version: 390.77          |
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| GPU  Name            Persistence-M| Bus-Id        Disp.A | Volatile Uncorr. ECC |
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| Processes:                                     GPU Memory |
|  GPU       PID    Type    Process name                        Usage      |
|====+=====+====+=====+=====+=====+
|   0         66068    C   /usr/bin/tvheadend                    1495MiB   |
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| NVIDIA-SMI 390.77                Driver Version: 390.77          |
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| GPU   Name           Persistence-M| Bus-Id        Disp.A | Volatile Uncorr. ECC |
| Fan  Temp  Perf    Pwr:Usage/Cap|     Memory-Usage | GPU-Util  Compute M. |
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|    0  Quadro P5000             Off | 00000000:65:00:0 Off |           Off        |
| 34%   56C    P0      44W / 180W | 1640MiB / 16278MiB |      0%      Default  |
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|  GPU       PID    Type   Process name                               Usage      |
+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+-----+
|    0       66068    C     /usr/bin/tvheadend                           1628MiB   |
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History

#1 - 2019-11-21 23:07 - Ronny M.

Hello John,

its been a year - and I have still the same issue.

On using htsp client memory is not freed up when stop streaming the channels but is stacks until the server goes down.

On M3U playlist + simple-XML it works like a charm.

Any Ideas? If you need more info - do not hesitate to come back to me.

BR,
Ronny

#2 - 2019-11-22 03:19 - Fiore Systems

John was last active 2015, I'd assume that he's not working on this.

Also I can't reproduce this issue here.

#3 - 2019-11-22 07:41 - saen acro

Maby devs need to add <https://github.com/NVIDIA/NvPipe> to TVH

#4 - 2019-11-25 18:27 - Ronny M.

I think that's just an overlay to the "normal" nvidia sources,

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"Please note that NvPipe acts as a lightweight synchronous convenience layer around the NVIDIA Video Codec SDK and doesn't offer all high-performance capabilities. If you're looking for ultimate encode/decode performance, you may want to consider using NvCodec directly."
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Therefore, normal IPTV: destroy -> a -> no problem
HTPS IPTV: destroy -> b -> not complete -> problem

in version 4.2, a new subprocess has been built for each stream.
I found this better because Sub destroy and done.

BR
Ronny

#5 - 2020-07-16 16:05 - Rene Wagler

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#6 - 2020-07-16 16:15 - Fiore Systems

Rene Wagler wrote:

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Please go ahead and do it then.

#7 - 2020-07-16 16:59 - Rene Wagler

Nope, im not a programmer. But someone is working on 4.3

#8 - 2020-07-16 17:03 - Flole Systems

Sorry to disappoint you but nobody is actively working on tvheadend at the moment, there are a few changes now and then but other than that there is not much work being done.

#9 - 2020-07-16 17:24 - Rene Wagler

But TVH is the one and only DVB Server, isnt it? Why nobody cares about it? Cant understand this

#10 - 2020-07-16 17:42 - Flole Systems

Let's start with yourself: Why don't you care? Why are you not spending time to investigate this issue? Seems like this issue is not that important if you don't put effort in it, totally fine with me but if your issue isn't important to yourself it's not important to me either (especially since I can't reproduce it and I am not affected by it at all).

#11 - 2020-07-16 18:00 - Rene Wagler

Are u using nvenc with TVH? i think not, so u cant reproduce it. The Problem is i dont know witch source file is responsible for transcoding and channel switching

#12 - 2020-07-16 18:13 - Flole Systems

Yes I am using nvenc on the latest tvheadend version.

#13 - 2020-07-16 18:28 - Rene Wagler

and what happens it you stop live tv in the nvidia-smi ? Is the transcoding tread gone as it should ?

#14 - 2020-07-16 18:30 - Flole Systems

Yes, Tvheadend completely disappears from that list when i stop the stream.

#15 - 2020-07-16 18:54 - Rene Wagler

ok.. are u using cuda or only nvenc and cuvid?

#16 - 2020-07-16 18:56 - Flole Systems

I am using nvenc and enabled Hardware acceleration, cuda is not really used in Tvheadend as far as I know.

#17 - 2020-07-16 21:10 - saen acro

NVENC is part of CUDA instructions
/can be seen with "netstat" command/

@ [Rene Wagler](#) update drivers

#18 - 2020-07-16 23:06 - Rene Wagler

i have 440.xx its actual enough. you can compile TVH with and without CUDA. NVENC and CUVID are seperate compile-options

#19 - 2020-07-17 01:28 - Flole Systems

- Assignee deleted (John Törnblom)
- Target version set to 999

If you don't even want to spend the time to update to the latest version you really shouldn't complain that nobody is working on it. You don't even try to fix the issue, so I won't either.

Also no accurate Tvheadend version or debug log was presented either....

#20 - 2020-07-17 19:02 - Rene Wagler

I cant switch to newest driver. Cause i use TVH in docker. And the driver is not the Problem!!

#21 - 2020-07-17 19:05 - Flole Systems

- Status changed from New to Invalid

Old driver is used, Tvheadend is used in Docker. Once someone can reproduce this on the latest Tvheadend version with the latest Nvidia Driver on a

native System I can consider reopening this.

#22 - 2020-07-17 19:17 - Rene Wagler

Flole Systems can u post your transcoding settings ?

#23 - 2020-08-19 22:23 - Rene Wagler

what codec are u using? 264 or 265 ??

#24 - 2020-09-01 17:27 - Ronny M.

Rene Wagler wrote:

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#25 - 2020-09-01 17:46 - saen acro

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Flushing unneeded memory need to be debugged.

#26 - 2020-09-01 19:59 - Rene Wagler

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#27 - 2020-09-01 21:24 - saen acro

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What OS/Kernel is used
What hardware platform
What devices/driver used
etc.

Valgrind debugging for example

#28 - 2020-09-01 21:43 - Rene Wagler

what hardware are u using? me: runnign tvh in an unraid nvidia docker conatainer build with newest ffmpeg

#29 - 2020-09-09 13:46 - Ronny M.

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GPU: Nvidia Quadro P5000
Driver Version: 450.57
NVIDIA-SMI: 450.57
Cuda Version: 11.0
Docker: No
ffmpeg: Static from TVH Build
TVH Version: 4.3-1857

Debug: show the first Post.

#30 - 2020-12-27 09:33 - Leon Andersen

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Hello Ronny

did you find any solutions for this ?

Im have the same problem

OS: Ubuntu 20.04

Kernel: 5.4.0-58-generic
Hardware Motorbord MSI: CPU Core i7
GPU: Nvidia Quadro p2000
Driver 460.27.04
Nvidia-smi: 460.27.04
Cuda: 11.2
Docker: no
FFMPEG: Static self build
TVH Version: 4.3-1919

#31 - 2021-01-10 20:45 - Ronny M.

Hallo @Leon,
no, i have only a not so Wonderful Workaround

a Cronjob restart at 5:00 AM o'clock the TVHeadend Service ;-(

Sorry!

#32 - 2021-04-24 17:35 - Ronny M.

- File fix added

Problem is Solve with this work / Change..

<https://tvheadend.org/boards/5/topics/43530?r=44328#message-44328>

File to change /src/profile.c

@ Admin
Ticket can close.

Regards Ronny

#33 - 2021-04-24 17:37 - Flole Systems

It's not a proper fix (the bottom half of it needs to stay the old version) and the bug report will stay open until it's merged wink.png

#34 - 2021-04-24 17:55 - Ronny M.

okay we renamed is to
Worked but not correctly
or
a quick and dirty workaround ;-)

#35 - 2021-04-24 17:56 - Flole Systems

- Status changed from Invalid to Resolved

#36 - 2021-05-18 10:50 - stef stef

bonjour
même problème pour moi.
OS: Ubuntu 21.04 server
Hardware CPU bi-xeon
GPU: Nvidia Quadro p2000
Driver 460.80
Nvidia-smi: 460.80
Cuda: 11.2
TVH Version: HTS Tvheadend 4.3.0~pre+202105051438-0

#37 - 2021-05-18 14:01 - Flole Systems

Use english language and as you're not using an official build please contact the maintainer of your build for support.

Files

fix	1.76 KB	2021-04-24	Ronny M.
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