Ruby - Bug #2742

IO#read/gets can be very slow in doze

02/13/2010 09:03 AM - rogerdpack (Roger Pack)

Status: Closed Priority: Normal

Assignee:

Target version:

ruby -v: ruby 1.9.2dev (2010-02-12 trunk 26649)

[i386-mingw32]

Backport:

Description

=begin
this code

n = 100 * 1000 * 1000
puts "writing"
File.open("foo", 'wb'){|f| f.write(" " * n) }
puts "reading"
File.open("foo", 'r') do |io|
io.read
end

takes something like 700s in windows, most of the time is spent in rb_str_resize. Cause seems to be that it is rb_str_resize'ing the string by 1024B at a time, so N^2 in the amount of time it takes to read it in because it has to keep copying it to the newly sized string.

The same thing happens for

File.open("foo", 'rb') do |io| io.gets end

except that it reads (and resizes) in 8K bytes. Not sure why they're different sizes. I'd imagine this problem exists in Linux, but without as much of a negative impact as it reads in larger sizes. =end

Related issues:

Related to Ruby - Bug #1332: Reading file on Windows is 500x slower then with...

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History

#1 - 02/13/2010 12:32 PM - rogerdpack (Roger Pack)

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This seems to help, though I'm not sure if it's the best way.

Index: io.c

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--- io.c (revision 26655)
+++ io.c (working copy)
@@ -1170,7 +1170,7 @@
if (fptr->rbuf == NULL) {
fptr->rbuf_off = 0;
fptr->rbuf_len = 0;
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fptr->rbuf = ALLOC_N(char, fptr->rbuf_capa);

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if (fptr->rbuf_len == 0) {
@@ -1583,7 +1583,7 @@
rb_exc_raise(rb_econv_open_exc(sname, dname, ecflags));
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fptr->cbuf_off = 0;
    fptr->cbuf_len = 0;
        fptr->cbuf = ALLOC_N(char, fptr->cbuf_capa);
=end
#2 - 03/21/2010 06:07 PM - nobu (Nobuyoshi Nakada)
- Status changed from Open to Closed
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- % Done changed from 0 to 100

=begin

This issue was solved with changeset r26997. Roger, thank you for reporting this issue. Your contribution to Ruby is greatly appreciated. May Ruby be with you.

=end

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