Ruby master - Bug #13111
Degraded performance for delegated methods through Forwardable module
01/07/2017 04:30 AM - gonzedge (Edgar Gonzalez)

Status: Closed
Priority: Normal
Assignee:
Target version:
ruby -v: 2.4.0
Backport: 2.2: UNKNOWN, 2.3: UNKNOWN, 2.4: DONE

Description
After upgrading to Ruby 2.4.0 on my local machine while developing some changes on this gem:
https://github.com/gonzedge/rambling-trie, there was a noticeable performance degradation with any delegated methods through Forwardable. I have a few benchmarks in place and, without changing any other code, had a ~25% increase in the time it took to execute.

If you look at the benchmarks on https://github.com/gonzedge/rambling-trie/blob/master/reports/0.9.2/benchmark and https://github.com/gonzedge/rambling-trie/blob/master/reports/0.9.3/benchmark, you'll notice that the first benchmark (for Rambling::Trie.create) goes from 8.97 seconds to 11.19 seconds. These benchmarks are generated by running rake performance:benchmark:all.

Associated revisions
Revision 7ed75492 - 03/12/2017 02:57 PM - naruse (Yui NARUSE)
merge revision(s) 57255,57256,57257: [Backport #13111]

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git-svn-id: svn+ssh://ci.ruby-lang.org/ruby/branches/ruby_2_4@57913 b2dd03c8-39d4-4d8f-98ff-823fe69b080e

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History
#1 - 01/07/2017 04:39 AM - gonzedge (Edgar Gonzalez)

Update:

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I talked to @Yuki Nishijima and he pointed out that it is an issue with an UnboundMethod instance being created on every delegated call here: https://github.com/ruby/ruby/blob/2283d14cc9fefa278dfe02bf8d984ce50cfe1f/lib/forwardable.rb#L207 (thanks, Yuki!)

Also, I saw that the issue has been fixed on the trunk branch in revisions 57255, 57256 & 57257 (thanks, @Nobuyoshi Nakada!).

So, I'm inclined to ask: Will this fix be ported back to Ruby 2.4? Either way, how soon would a new version with the fix be released?

#2 - 01/19/2017 02:40 PM - shyouhei (Shyouhei Urabe)
- Status changed from Open to Closed
- Backport changed from 2.2: UNKNOWN, 2.3: UNKNOWN, 2.4: UNKNOWN to 2.2: UNKNOWN, 2.3: UNKNOWN, 2.4: REQUIRED

Let me close (closed issues are inspected by branch mentors to backport-ability). I guess this is a subject to backport.

#3 - 03/12/2017 02:57 PM - naruse (Yui NARUSE)
- Backport changed from 2.2: UNKNOWN, 2.3: UNKNOWN, 2.4: REQUIRED to 2.2: UNKNOWN, 2.3: UNKNOWN, 2.4: DONE

ruby_2_4 r57913 merged revision(s) 57255,57256,57257.