# Comprehensive Kernel Function Support

# Current bpf utilizing internal kernel functions

- struct\_ops maps
  - Tcp congestion control
- Bpf helpers

### **BPF Kfunc Id Set**

```
enum btf_kfunc_type {
    BTF KFUNC TYPE CHECK,
    BTF KFUNC TYPE ACQUIRE,
    BTF KFUNC TYPE RELEASE,
    BTF KFUNC TYPE RET NULL,
    BTF KFUNC TYPE KPTR ACQUIRE,
    BTF KFUNC TYPE MAX,
};
BTF_SET_START(nf_ct_xdp_check_kfunc_ids)
BTF ID(func, bpf xdp ct lookup)
BTF ID(func, bpf ct release)
BTF SET END(nf_ct_xdp_check_kfunc_ids)
BTF SET START(nf ct release kfunc ids)
BTF_ID(func, bpf_ct_release)
BTF SET END(nf ct release kfunc ids)
```

```
static const struct btf_kfunc_id_set nf_conntrack_xdp_kfunc_set = {
               = THIS MODULE,
    .owner
    .check set = &nf ct xdp check kfunc ids,
    .acquire set = &nf ct acquire kfunc ids,
    .release set = &nf ct release kfunc ids,
    .ret null set = &nf ct ret null kfunc ids,
};
register btf kfunc id set(BPF PROG TYPE XDP,
&nf conntrack xdp kfunc set);
In bpf program:
 struct nf_conn *bpf_xdp_ct_lookup(struct xdp_md *, struct
bpf_sock_tuple *, u32, struct bpf_ct_opts *, u32) ksym;
 ...
 bpf_xdp_ct_lookup(ctx, NULL, 0, &opts_def, sizeof(opts_def));
```

# Use More Kernel Functions in BPF Programs

- Existing kfunc\_id functions are classified with program type and btf\_kfunc\_type (CHECK, ACQUIRE, RELEASE) etc. with BTF\_SET/ID infrastructure.
- If we want to use much more kernel functions in bpf programs, we may need to classify kernel functions with more information.
- A couple of examples:
  - int proc\_cgroup\_show(struct seq\_file \*m, struct pid\_namespace \*ns, struct pid \*pid, struct task\_struct
     \*tsk);
  - mutex\_lock(&cgroup\_mutex)
  - void \_\_insert\_inode\_hash(struct inode \*inode, unsigned long hashval)
  - spin\_lock/unlock(&inode\_hash\_lock); spin\_lock/unlock(&inode->i\_lock);
  - Lots of more EXPORT\_SYMBOL functions and other functions

### Use btf\_decl\_tag

- Close to the source
- Encoded in vmlinux BTF
- int proc\_cgroup\_show(struct seq\_file \*m, struct pid\_namespace \*ns, struct pid \*pid, struct task\_struct \*tsk) \_\_attribute\_\_((btf\_decl\_tag("mutex\_lock: cgroup\_mutex")));
- void \_\_insert\_inode\_hash(struct inode \*inode, unsigned long hashval)
   \_attribute\_\_((btf\_decl\_tag("spin\_lock:inode\_hash\_lock")))
   \_attribute\_\_((btf\_decl\_tag(("spin\_lock:&param1->i\_lock")))
- Lots of more EXPORT\_SYMBOL functions could be annotated and used by bpf programs
- Btf\_decl\_tag applied to structures, structure members, global variables, functions, function parameters.

## Use btf\_type\_tag

Btf\_type\_tag is used to annotation types.

```
truct watch_queue {
  struct rcu_head rcu;
// struct watch_filter _rcu *filter;
  struct watch_filter __attribute__((btf_type_tag("rcu"))) *filter;
```

- Encoded in vmlinux BTF.
- Current kernel supports btf\_type\_tag for \_\_user and \_\_percpu.

# Print Opaque Kernel Data (1)

```
struct task_struct {
    ...
    struct bpf_local_storage __rcu *bpf_storage;
    ...
};

struct bpf_local_storage {
    struct bpf_local_storage_data __rcu *cache[BPF_LOCAL_STORAGE_CACHE_SIZE];
    struct hlist_head list; /* List of bpf_local_storage_elem */
    ....
};
```

bpf\_snprintf\_btf() to dump a data structure with its contents based BTF types. But dumps stops at hish\_head\_list pointer contents as the actual types for list element not available.

# Print Opaque Kernel Data (2)

```
struct task struct {
   struct bpf_local_storage __rcu *bpf_storage;
   . . .
struct bpf local storage {
  struct bpf local storage data rcu *cache[BPF LOCAL STORAGE CACHE SIZE];
  // struct hlist head list; /* List of bpf local storage elem */
  struct hlist head list attribute ((btf decl tag("bpf local storage elem...)));;
bpf snprintf btf() can be enhanced to print bpf local storage elem contents, starting from
a task struct or bpf local storage.
```