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Subject: CVE-2022-1198 kernel: use-after-free in drivers/net/hamradio/6pack.c
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Hello there,

There are use-after-free vulnerabilities in drivers/net/hamradio/6pack.c of linux that allow attacker to crash linux kernel by simulating ax25 device using 6pack driver from user space.

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When a 6pack device is detaching, the sixpack_close() will act to cleanup necessary resources. Although del_timer_sync() in sixpack_close() won't return if there is an active timer, one could use mod_timer() in sp_xmit_on_air() to wake up timer again by calling userspace syscall such as ax25_sendmsg(), ax25_connect() and ax25_ioctl().

This unexpected waked handler, sp_xmit_on_air(), realizes nothing about the undergoing cleanup and may still call pty_write() to use driver layer resources that have already been released.

The race condition is shown below:

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(USE)
                                         (FREE)
ax25_sendmsg()
ax25_queue_xmit()
  sp xmit()
  sp encaps()
                                 | sixpack close()
   sp xmit on air()
                                 | del timer sync(&sp->tx t)
    mod_timer(&sp->tx_t,...)
                                 | unregister netdev()
                                    . . .
     (wait a while)
                                  | tty release()
                                    tty release struct()
                                    release tty()
    sp xmit on air()
                                      tty kref put(tty struct) //FREE
     pty write(tty struct) //USE |
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We can successfully trigger the vulnerabilities to crash the linux kernel.

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196.518578] BUG: KASAN: use-after-free in
                                             run timers.part.0+0x170/0x470
196.518578] Write of size 8 at addr ffff88800a652ab8 by task swapper/2/0
196.518578] Call Trace:
196.518578]
             <IRQ>
196.518578] dump_stack+0x7d/0xa3
196.518578] print_address_description.constprop.0+0x18/0x130
196.518578] ? __run_timers.part.0+0x170/0x470
196.518578] ? __run_timers.part.0+0x170/0x470
196.518578] kasan_report.cold+0x7f/0x10e
196.518578] ? __run_timers.part.0+0x170/0x470
                _run_timers.part.0+0x170/0x470
196.518578]
196.518578]
              ? call timer fn+0x150/0x150
196.518578] ? lapic_timer_shutdown.part.0+0x7c/0x90
196.518578] ? lapic_timer_shutdown+0x18/0x20
196.531225] ? clockevents switch state+0xa1/0x160
196.531225] ? tick_program_event+0x5f/0x80
196.531225] ? hrtimer_interrupt+0x418/0x440
196.531225] run timer softirq+0x3b/0x80
              do softirq+0xf1/0x380
196.531225]
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[ 196.531225] asm_call_irq_on_stack+0x12/0x20
  196.531225] </IRQ>
196.531225] do_softirq_own_stack+0x32/0x40
  [ 196.531225] sysvec_apic_timer_interrupt+0x2e/0x80
[ 196.531225] asm sysvec apic timer interrupt+0x12/0x20
  196.531225] RIP: 0010:default_idle+0xe/0x10
  196.531225] Code: 98 36 e8 fe f0 80 63 02 df 5b 41 5c c3 0f ae f0 0f ae 3b 0f ae f0 eb 8d 0f 1f 40 00 e9
07 00 00 00 0f 00 2d 64 f7 59 00 fb f4 <c3> cc 41 55 41 54 55 48 89 fd 53 485
  196.531225] RSP: 0018:fffff888005237e80 EFLAGS: 00000202
  196.531225] RAX: ffffffff82481af0 RBX: ffff888005212940 RCX: ffffffff82476f62
[ 196.531225] RDX: 0000000000064ec2 RSI: 00000000000004 RDI: ffff88806d532240
[ 196.531225] RBP: 000000000000000 R08: 00000000000001 R09: fffff88806d532243
[ 196.531225] R10: ffffed100daa6448 R11: 00000000000001 R12: 000000000000000
[ 196.531225] R13: 00000000000000 R14: 0000000000000 R15: 1fffff11000a46fd6
  196.531225] ? mwait_idle+0xc0/0xc0
196.531225] ? rcu_eqs_enter.constprop.0+0x92/0xb0
[ 196.531225] default_idle_call+0x56/0x140
[ 196.531225] do idle+0x30a/0x3b0
[ 196.531225] ? arch cpu idle exit+0x30/0x30
[ 196.531225] ? schedule_idle+0x41/0x50
[ 196.531225] cpu_startup_entry+0x14/0x20
[ 196.531225] secondary_startup_64_no_verify+0xc2/0xcb
[ 196.531225] Allocated by task 135:
[ 196.531225] kasan save stack+0x1b/0x40
[ 196.531225]
                 kasan kmalloc.constprop.0+0x84/0xa0
  196.552309] alloc_netdev_mqs+0x5a/0x630
  196.552309] sixpack_open+0xbf/0x4e0
196.552309] tty_ldisc_open+0x55/0x90
196.552309] tty_set_ldisc+0x187/0x2d0
[ 196.552309] tty ioctl+0x43f/0xce0
                 x\bar{6}4 sys ioctl+0xb4/0xf0
[ 196.552309]
[ 196.552309] do syscall 64+0x33/0x40
[ 196.552309] entry SYSCALL 64 after hwframe+0x44/0xa9
[ 196.552309] Freed by task 3414:
  196.552309] kasan_save_stack+0x1b/0x40
[ 196.552309] kasan set track+0x1c/0x30
[ 196.552309] kasan set free info+0x20/0x30
                 ___kasan_slab_free+0xec/0x120
[ 196.552309]
[ 196.552309] kfree+0x8f/0x210
  196.560946] device_release+0x54/0xe0
196.560946] kobject_put+0xa5/0x120
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  196.560946] tty_ldisc_hangup+0x1ab/0x2d0
                 _tty_hangup.part.0+0x306/0x510
  196.560946]
  196.560946] tty release+0x200/0x670
  196.563997]
                 fput+0x104/0x3b0
  196.563997] Task work run+0x8f/0xd0
  196.563997] exit_to_user_mode_prepare+0x114/0x120
196.563997] syscall_exit_to_user_mode+0x1d/0x40
  196.563997] entry_SYSCALL_64_after_hwframe+0x44/0xa9
=*=*=*=*=*=*= Bug Reproduce =*=*=*=*=*=*=
We could use pseudoterminal-based device emulation to simulate
ax25 device from user space and create a socket for it. Then,
we create four threads: the first thread is used to initialize
and start ax25 device, the second thread is used to close the
pseudoterminal-based device, the third thread is used to execute
bind and sendmsg syscalls, the last thread is used to close the
socket. Let these four threads to interleave, we could reproduce
the bug.
=*=*=*=*=*=*=*= Bug Fix =*=*=*=*=*=*=
The patch that have been applied to mainline Linux kernel is shown below.
https://github.com/torvalds/linux/commit/efe4186e6a1b54bf38b9e05450d43b0da1fd7739
=*=*=*=*=*=*=*= Timeline =*=*=*=*=*=*=
2022-02-18: commit efe4186e6alb accepted to mainline kernel
2022-04-01: CVE-2022-1198 is assigned
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