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## Compute service fails to restart if the vnic\_type of a bound port changed from direct to macvtap (CVE-2022-37394)

Bug #1981813 reported by [Balazs Gibizer](#) on 2022-07-15

This bug affects 1 person

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Affects	Status	Importance	Assigned to	Milestone
<a href="#">OpenStack Compute (nova)</a>	Fix Released	Undecided	<a href="#">Balazs Gibizer</a>	
<a href="#">OpenStack Security Advisory</a>	In Progress	Undecided	<a href="#">David Wilde</a>	

### Bug Description

We have a downstream bug report with the following reproduction steps:

- 1) create a neutron port with vnic\_type "direct"
- 2) create an instance with that port
- 3) after the instance is created successfully change the vnic\_type of the bound port from "direct" to "macvtap". This is accepted by Neutron
- 4) wait until the nova instance info caches is healed by the periodic task in nova-compute
- 5) restart the nova-compute service.

Actual behavior

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The nova-compute service fails to start with PciDeviceNotFoundById exception pointing to the PCI address of the VF the port is bound to on the host.

Expected behavior

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The nova-compute service should start up successfully.

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Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service Traceback (most recent call last):
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service File "/opt/stack/nova/nova/pci/utils.py", line
167, in get_ifname_by_pci_address
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Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service dev_info = os.listdir(dev_path)
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service FileNotFoundError: [Errno 2] No such file or
directory: '/sys/bus/pci/devices/0000:19:0a.7/net'
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service During handling of the above exception, another
exception occurred:
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service Traceback (most recent call last):
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service File "/usr/local/lib/python3.10/site-packages/
oslo_service/service.py", line 806, in run_service
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service service.start()
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service File "/opt/stack/nova/nova/service.py", line
159, in start
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service self.manager.init_host()
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service File "/opt/stack/nova/nova/compute/manager.py",
line 1536, in init_host
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service self._init_instance(context, instance)
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service File "/opt/stack/nova/nova/compute/manager.py",
line 1230, in _init_instance
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service self.driver.plugin_vifs(instance, net_info)
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service File "/opt/stack/nova/nova/virt/libvirt/driver.
py", line 1386, in plugin_vifs
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service self.vif_driver.plugin(instance, vif)
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service File "/opt/stack/nova/nova/virt/libvirt/vif.py"
, line 730, in plugin
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service self.plugin_hw_vif(instance, vif)
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service File "/opt/stack/nova/nova/virt/libvirt/vif.py"
, line 628, in plugin_hw_vif
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service set_vf_interface_vlan(
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service File "/opt/stack/nova/nova/virt/libvirt/vif.py"
, line 99, in set_vf_interface_vlan
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service vf_ifname = pci_utils.get_ifname_by_pci_
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address(pci_addr)
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service File "/opt/stack/nova/nova/pci/utils.py", line
170, in get_ifname_by_pci_address
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service raise exception.PciDeviceNotFoundById(id=pci_
addr)
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service nova.exception.PciDeviceNotFoundById: PCI
device 0000:19:0a.7 not found
Jul 15 06:39:14 dell-r640-020 nova-compute[278453]: ERROR
oslo_service.service

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Tags: [compute](#) [neutron](#) [pci](#)

## CVE References

[2022-37394](#)

Balazs Gibizer (balazs-gibizer) on 2022-07-15	
<p>Changed in nova:</p> <p><b>assignee:</b>nobody → Balazs Gibizer (balazs-gibizer)</p> <p><b>tags:</b>added: neutron pci</p> <p><b>tags:</b>added: compute</p>	
OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack) wrote on 2022-07-15: <b>Related fix proposed to nova (master)</b>	#1
<p>Related fix proposed to branch: master</p> <p>Review: <a href="https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+849985">https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+849985</a></p>	
OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack) wrote on 2022-07-15: <b>Fix proposed to nova (master)</b>	#2
<p>Fix proposed to branch: master</p> <p>Review: <a href="https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+850003">https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+850003</a></p> <p>Changed in nova:</p> <p><b>status:</b>New → In Progress</p>	
sean mooney (sean-k-mooney) on 2022-07-15	
<b>information type:</b> Public → Public Security	
Jeremy Stanley (fungi) wrote on 2022-07-15: <b>Re: Compute service fails to restart if the vnic_type of a bound port changed from direct to macvtap</b>	#3

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Sean: Can you elaborate on why you believe this report represents an exploitable security vulnerability? Is it that a malicious user can change the vnic\_type of a port under their control and leave a time-bomb for the next time the administrator restarts the compute service, resulting in that compute host being out of service (unable to stop/start running virtual machines) until the problem can be manually rectified?

Jeremy Stanley (fungi) wrote on 2022-07-18:

#4

I caught up with Sean in IRC and he confirmed the situation is basically as I inferred above (exploitable by any normal authenticated user, not just limited to operator level accounts).

Changed in ossa:

**status:**New → Incomplete

Jeremy Stanley (fungi) wrote on 2022-07-18:

#5

Since this report concerns a possible security risk, an incomplete security advisory task has been added while the core security reviewers for the affected project or projects confirm the bug and discuss the scope of any vulnerability along with potential solutions.

David Wilde (dave-wilde) wrote on 2022-07-19:

#6

Title: Compute service fails to restart if the vnic\_type of a bound port changed from direct to macvtap  
Reporter: Balazs Gibizer (Red Hat)  
Products: Nova  
Affects: >=23.0.0  
Description:  
Balazs Gibizer with Red Hat reported a vulnerability in Nova's restart behavior when a Neutron port type is changed from "direct" to "macvtap". By creating a neutron port with vnic\_type "direct", creating an instance bound to that port, and then changing the vnic\_type of the bound port to "macvtap" an authenticated user may cause the compute service to fail to restart resulting in a possible denial of service.  
Only Nova deployments configured with SR-IOV are affected.

Balazs Gibizer (balazs-gibizer) wrote on 2022-07-19:

#7

@David: Your summary look good to me.  
@fungi: <https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+850003> is proposed as a mitigation of the denial of service. With that patch nova will no longer fail to restart in the reported situation.

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Jeremy Stanley (fungi) wrote on 2022-07-19:

#8

Thanks David!

Keep in mind that the title is what will appear in the list of advisories at <https://security.openstack.org/ossalist.html> and will be combined with the project name, OSSA number and CVE identifier in the subject line of advisories posted to widely-read public mailing lists, so shorter is better as long as it still uniquely captures the situation, sort of like a commit message title. Maybe something along the lines of "Changing vnic\_type breaks compute service restart" instead (50 characters).

For the affected versions, we assume that a fix will be backported to all stable series currently in a "managed" state (so Wallaby, Xena and Yoga in this case) and that stable point releases will be tagged to include those. Since the most recent point releases are 23.2.1, 24.1.1 and 25.0.1 we indicate that the next possible release number for each of these is not affected like so: <23.2.2, >=24.0.0 <24.1.2, >=25.0.0 <25.0.2 (if the next point release on stable/yoga ends up being 25.1.0 instead and there is never a 25.0.2 that's fine, since 25.1.0 still falls into an unaffected range strictly speaking).

David Wilde (dave-wilde) wrote on 2022-07-21:

#9

Thanks for the feedback Jeremy, especially the calculation for the point releases. That was confusing me but your explanation makes perfect sense. Here's my updated description:

Title: Changing vnic\_type breaks compute service restart  
Reporter: Balazs Gibizer (Red Hat)  
Products: Nova  
Affects: <23.2.2, >=24.0.0 <24.1.2, >=25.0.0 <25.0.2

Description:

Balazs Gibizer with Red Hat reported a vulnerability in Nova's restart behavior when a Neutron port type is changed from "direct" to "macvtap". By creating a neutron port with vnic\_type "direct", creating an instance bound to that port, and then changing the vnic\_type of the bound port to "macvtap" an authenticated user may cause the compute service to fail to restart resulting in a possible denial of service.

Only Nova deployments configured with SR-IOV are affected.

Jeremy Stanley (fungi) wrote on 2022-07-21:

#10

David's proposed impact description from comment #9 looks perfect to me. If there are no immediate objections, VMT members can proceed in requesting a CVE assignment based on that description while the master branch fix is under review, and then work on assembling an advisory once backports have been pushed.

David Wilde (dave-wilde) on 2022-08-01

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Changed in ossa:

**status:**Incomplete → In Progress

**assignee:**nobody → David Wilde (dave-wilde)

**David Wilde (dave-wilde)** on 2022-08-03

**summary:**Compute service fails to restart if the vnic\_type of a bound port

- changed from direct to macvtap
- + changed from direct to macvtap (CVE-2022-37394)

**OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack)** wrote on 2022-09-08: **Related fix merged to nova (master)**

#11

Reviewed: <https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+849985>  
Committed: <https://opendev.org/openstack/nova/commit/f8c91eb75fc5504a37fc3b4be1d65d33dbc9b511>  
Submitter: "Zuul (22348)"  
Branch: master

commit f8c91eb75fc5504a37fc3b4be1d65d33dbc9b511  
Author: Balazs Gibizer <email address hidden>  
Date: Fri Jul 15 12:43:58 2022 +0200

Reproduce [bug 1981813](#) in func env

Related-Bug: #1981813  
Change-Id: I9367b7ed475917bdb05eb3f209ce1a4e646534e2

**OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack)** wrote on 2022-09-10: **Fix merged to nova (master)**

#12

Reviewed: <https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+850003>  
Committed: <https://opendev.org/openstack/nova/commit/e43bf900dc8ca66578603bed333c56b215b1876e>  
Submitter: "Zuul (22348)"  
Branch: master

commit e43bf900dc8ca66578603bed333c56b215b1876e  
Author: Balazs Gibizer <email address hidden>  
Date: Fri Jul 15 13:48:46 2022 +0200

Gracefully ERROR in \_init\_instance if vnic\_type changed

If the vnic\_type of a bound port changes from "direct" to "macvtap" and then the compute service is restarted then during \_init\_instance nova tries to plug the vif of the changed port. However as it now has macvtap vnic\_type nova tries to look up the netdev of the parent VF. Still that VF is consumed by the instance so there is no such netdev on the host

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OS. This error killed the compute service at startup due to unhandled exception. This patch adds the exception handler, logs an ERROR and continue initializing other instances on the host.

Also this patch adds a detailed ERROR log when nova detects that the vnic\_type changed during \_heal\_instance\_info\_cache periodic.

Closes-Bug: #1981813  
Change-Id: I1719f8eda04e8d15a3b01f0612977164c4e55e85

Changed in nova:  
**status:**In Progress → Fix Released

OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack) wrote on 2022-09-16: **Fix included in openstack/nova 26.0.0.0rc1**

#13

This issue was fixed in the openstack/nova 26.0.0.0rc1 release candidate.

OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack) wrote on 2022-09-26: **Related fix proposed to nova (stable/yoga)**

#14

Related fix proposed to branch: stable/yoga  
Review: <https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+859312>

OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack) wrote on 2022-09-26: **Fix proposed to nova (stable/yoga)**

#15

Fix proposed to branch: stable/yoga  
Review: <https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+859313>

OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack) wrote on 2022-09-26: **Related fix proposed to nova (stable/xena)**

#16

Related fix proposed to branch: stable/xena  
Review: <https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+859314>

OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack) wrote on 2022-09-26: **Fix proposed to nova (stable/xena)**

#17

Fix proposed to branch: stable/xena  
Review: <https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+859315>

OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack) wrote on 2022-09-26: **Related fix proposed to nova (stable/wallaby)**

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Related fix proposed to branch: stable/wallaby  
Review: <https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+859320>

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OpenStack Infra (hudson-openstack) wrote on 2022-09-26: **Fix proposed to nova (stable/wallaby)**

#19

Fix proposed to branch: stable/wallaby  
Review: <https://review.opendev.org/c/openstack/nova/+859321>

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