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Hi, there is a new null-ptr-deref Write bug in
 snd_pcm_format_set_silence in sound/core/pcm_misc.c in the latest
 upstream kernel and can reproduce it.
 We call SNDCTL_DSP_SYNC and SNDCTL_DSP_SPEED in multiple threads to
 trigger the vulnerability.

See the Call Trace:

Call Trace:

```
<TASK>
__dump_stack lib/dump_stack.c:88 [inline]
dump_stack_lvl+0xcd/0x134 lib/dump_stack.c:106
kasan_report+0xb1/0x1e0 mm/kasan/report.c:495
check_region_inline mm/kasan/generic.c:183 [inline]
kasan_check_range+0x13d/0x180 mm/kasan/generic.c:189
memset+0x20/0x40 mm/kasan/shadow.c:44
snd_pcm_format_set_silence sound/core/pcm_misc.c:441 [inline]
snd_pcm_format_set_silence+0x215/0x350 sound/core/pcm_misc.c:424
snd_pcm_oss_sync+0x60e/0x800 sound/core/oss/pcm_oss.c:1690
snd_pcm_oss_ioctl+0x2087/0x3420 sound/core/oss/pcm_oss.c:2634
vfs_ioctl fs/ioctl.c:51 [inline]
__do_sys_ioctl fs/ioctl.c:870 [inline]
__se_sys_ioctl fs/ioctl.c:856 [inline]
__x64_sys_ioctl+0x193/0x200 fs/ioctl.c:856
do_syscall_x64 arch/x86/entry/common.c:50 [inline]
do_syscall_64+0x35/0xb0 arch/x86/entry/common.c:80
entry_SYSCALL_64_after_hwframe+0x63/0xcd
```

We can see the function snd_pcm_format_set_silence code below:

```
int snd_pcm_format_set_silence(snd_pcm_format_t format, void *data,
unsigned int samples)
{
    int width;
    unsigned char *dst;
    const unsigned char *pat;

    if (!valid_format(format))
        return -EINVAL;
    if (samples == 0)
        return 0;
    width = pcm_formats[(INT)format].phys; /* physical width */
    pat = pcm_formats[(INT)format].silence;
    if (!width || !pat)
        return -EINVAL;
    /* signed or 1 byte data */
    if (pcm_formats[(INT)format].signd == 1 || width <= 8) {
        unsigned int bytes = samples * width / 8;
        memset(data, *pat, bytes); /* [1] -----> data is NULL */
        return 0;
    }
    .....
}
```

[1], the data pointer is NULL, we can know snd_pcm_format_set_silence called in line 1690 in sound/core/oss/pcm_oss.c from call stack trace. let we see code below:

```
static int snd_pcm_oss_sync(struct snd_pcm_oss_file *pcm_oss_file)
{
    int err = 0;
    unsigned int saved_f_flags;
    struct snd_pcm_substream *substream;
    struct snd_pcm_runtime *runtime;
    snd_pcm_format_t format;
    unsigned long width;
    size_t size;

    substream = pcm_oss_file->streams[SNDRV_PCM_STREAM_PLAYBACK];
    if (substream != NULL) {
        runtime = substream->runtime;
        if (atomic_read(&substream->mmap_count))
            goto __direct;
        err = snd_pcm_oss_make_ready(substream);
        if (err < 0)
            return err;
        atomic_inc(&runtime->oss.rw_ref);
        if (mutex_lock_interruptible(&runtime->oss.params_lock)) {
            atomic_dec(&runtime->oss.rw_ref);
            return -ERESTARTSYS;
        }
        format = snd_pcm_oss_format_from(runtime->oss.format);
        width = snd_pcm_format_physical_width(format);
        if (runtime->oss.buffer_used > 0) {
#ifdef OSS_DEBUG
            pcm_dbg(substream->pcm, "sync: buffer_used\n");
#endif
            size = (8 * (runtime->oss.period_bytes -
runtime->oss.buffer_used) + 7) / width;
            snd_pcm_format_set_silence(format,
runtime->oss.buffer
+ runtime->oss.buffer_used,    ///// [2]
                                size);
            err = snd_pcm_oss_sync1(substream,
runtime->oss.period_bytes);
            if (err < 0)
                goto unlock;
        } else if (runtime->oss.period_ptr > 0) {

```

...

[2] runtime->oss.buffer + runtime->oss.buffer_used is the data pointer, but runtime->oss.buffer is NULL here but it doesn't make sense.
runtime->oss.buffter is allocated by kvzalloc, if runtime->oss_buffer is NULL, it would return an ENOMEM error.
Maybe I think there is a race condition, the runtime->oss.buffer is freed and set to NULL but we can use runtime->oss.buffter via ioctl.

###reproduce it

```
[ 167.258988][T25615]
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[ 167.265917][T25615] BUG: KASAN: null-ptr-deref in
snd_pcm_format_set_silence+0x215/0x350
[ 167.266704][T25615] Write of size 16383 at addr 0000000000000001 by
task snd_pcm_format_/25615
[ 167.267506][T25615]
[ 167.267732][T25615] CPU: 0 PID: 25615 Comm: snd_pcm_format_ Not
tainted 6.0.0-rc3-00299-gd895ec7938c4 #11
[ 167.268617][T25615] Hardware name: QEMU Standard PC (i440FX + PIIX,
```

```

1996), BIOS 1.14.0-2 04/01/2014
[ 167.269410][T25615] Call Trace:
[ 167.269697][T25615] <TASK>
[ 167.269977][T25615] dump_stack_lvl+0xcd/0x134
[ 167.270428][T25615] ? snd_pcm_format_set_silence+0x215/0x350
[ 167.270985][T25615] kasan_report+0xb1/0x1e0
[ 167.271405][T25615] ? snd_pcm_format_set_silence+0x215/0x350
[ 167.271964][T25615] kasan_check_range+0x13d/0x180
[ 167.272440][T25615] memset+0x20/0x40
[ 167.272809][T25615] snd_pcm_format_set_silence+0x215/0x350
[ 167.273366][T25615] snd_pcm_oss_sync+0x60e/0x800
[ 167.273831][T25615] snd_pcm_oss_ioctl+0x2087/0x3420
[ 167.274320][T25615] ? snd_pcm_oss_release+0x300/0x300
[ 167.274817][T25615] ? __fget_files+0x26a/0x440
[ 167.275262][T25615] ? bpf_lsm_file_ioctl+0x5/0x10
[ 167.275731][T25615] ? snd_pcm_oss_release+0x300/0x300
[ 167.276222][T25615] __x64_sys_ioctl+0x193/0x200
[ 167.276677][T25615] do_syscall_64+0x35/0xb0
[ 167.277108][T25615] entry_SYSCALL_64_after_hwframe+0x63/0xcd
[ 167.277679][T25615] RIP: 0033:0x44af9d
[ 167.278058][T25615] Code: 66 2e 0f 1f 84 00 00 00 00 0f 1f 00 f3
0f 1e fa 48 89 f8 48 89 f7 48 89 d6 48 89 ca 4d 89 c2 4d 89 c8 4c 8b
4c 24 08 0f 05 <48> 3d 01 f0 ff ff 73 01 c3 48 c7 c1 b8 ff ff 8
[ 167.279792][T25615] RSP: 002b:00007f0cb636a178 EFLAGS: 00000246
ORIG_RAX: 0000000000000010
[ 167.280546][T25615] RAX: ffffffffdfda RBX: 0000000000000000
RCX: 000000000044af9d
[ 167.281285][T25615] RDX: 0000000000000000 RSI: 0000000000005001
RDI: 0000000000000003
[ 167.282001][T25615] RBP: 00007f0cb636a1a0 R08: 0000000000000000
R09: 0000000000000000
[ 167.282715][T25615] R10: 0000000000000000 R11: 0000000000000246
R12: 00007ffcfea8e08e
[ 167.283432][T25615] R13: 00007ffcfea8e08f R14: 0000000000000000
R15: 00007f0cb636a640
[ 167.284164][T25615] </TASK>
[ 167.284453][T25615]
=====

```

If needed I would provide a reproduce.

Regards,
butt3rflyh4ck.

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