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# Linux Kernel Bug Fixing Mentorship Hackathon 2023

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Bug - UBSAN: array-index-out-of-bounds in truncate\_inode\_pages\_final

Link - <https://syzkaller.appspot.com/bug?extid=e295147e14b474e4ad70>



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### Sample crash report:

```
=====
UBSAN: array-index-out-of-bounds in ./include/linux/pagevec.h:74:2
index 255 is out of range for type 'struct folio *[15]'
CPU: 1 PID: 12841 Comm: syz-executor402 Not tainted 6.5.0-rc7-syzkaller-g35e2132122ba #0
Hardware name: Google Google Compute Engine/Google Compute Engine, BIOS Google 07/26/2023
Call trace:
dump_backtrace+0x1b8/0x1e4 arch/arm64/kernel/stacktrace.c:233
show_stack+0x2c/0x44 arch/arm64/kernel/stacktrace.c:240
__dump_stack lib/dump_stack.c:88 [inline]
dump_stack_lvl+0xd0/0x124 lib/dump_stack.c:106
dump_stack+0x1c/0x28 lib/dump_stack.c:113
ubsan_epilogue lib/ubsan.c:217 [inline]
__ubsan_handle_out_of_bounds+0xfc/0x148 lib/ubsan.c:348
folio_batch_add include/linux/pagevec.h:74 [inline]
find_lock_entries+0x8fc/0xd84 mm/filemap.c:2089
truncate_inode_pages_range+0x1b0/0xf74 mm/truncate.c:364
truncate_inode_pages mm/truncate.c:449 [inline]
truncate_inode_pages_final+0x90/0xc0 mm/truncate.c:484
ntfs_evict_inode+0x20/0x48 fs/ntfs3/inode.c:1790
evict+0x260/0x68c fs/inode.c:664
iput_final fs/inode.c:1788 [inline]
iput+0x734/0x818 fs/inode.c:1814
ntfs_fill_super+0x3648/0x3f90 fs/ntfs3/super.c:1420
get_tree_bdev+0x378/0x570 fs/super.c:1318
ntfs_fs_get_tree+0x28/0x38 fs/ntfs3/super.c:1647
```

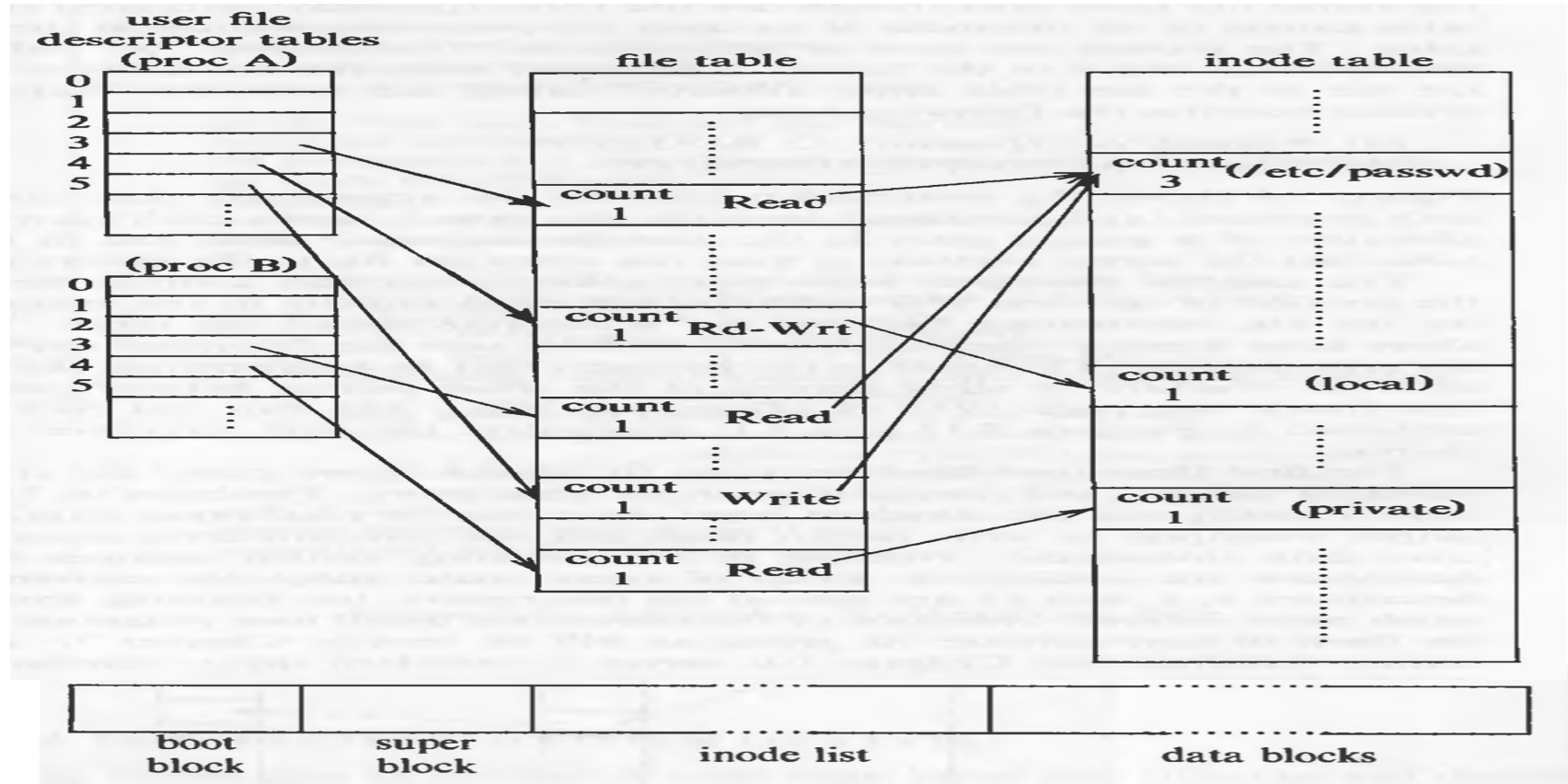
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### Debugging techniques employed -

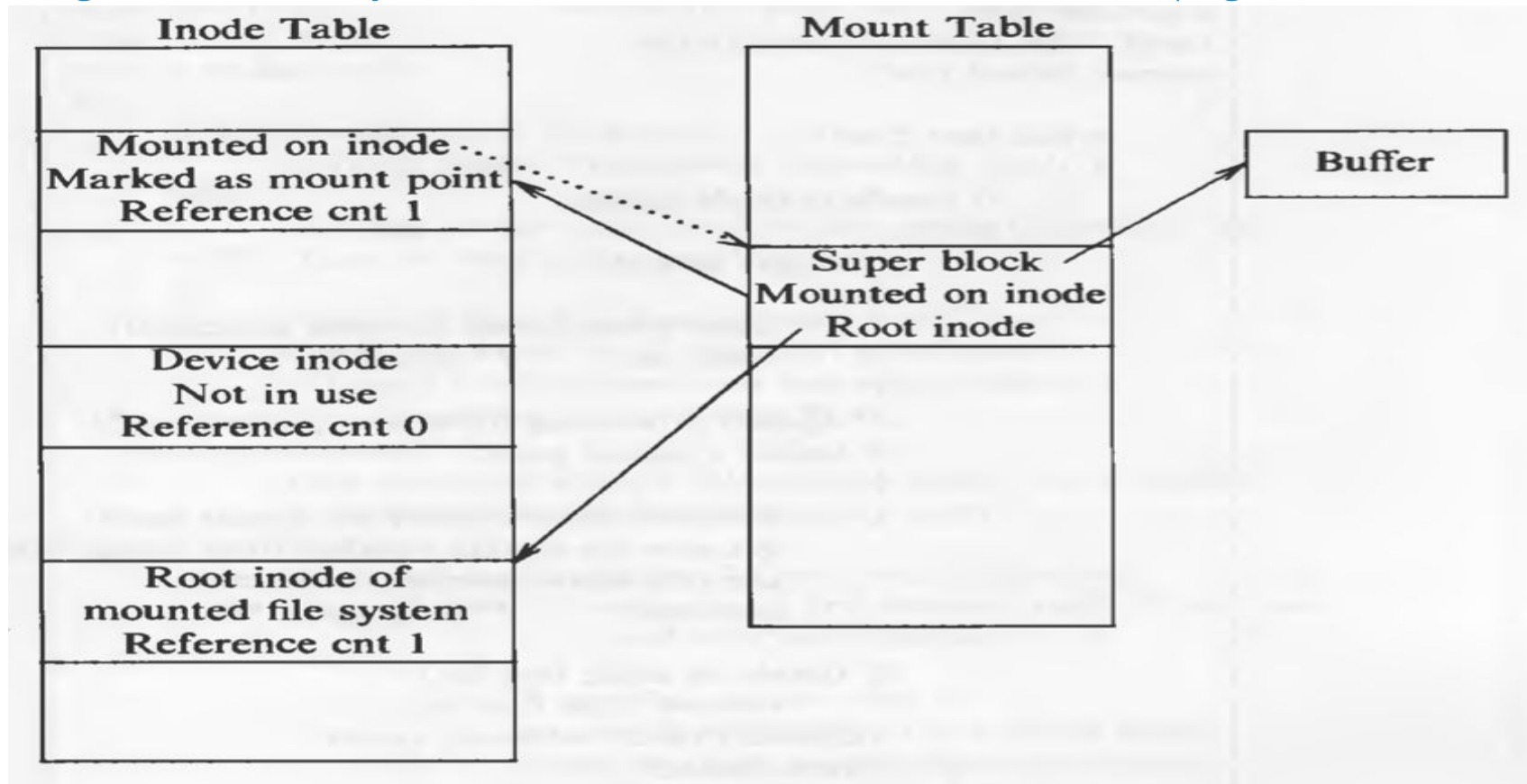
1. Recognize the subsystem introduction issue
2. Recognize broader changes surrounding the issue.
3. Find out what changes cause the bug.



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### Background about mm/filemap.c -

- This file handles the generic file mmap semantics used by most "normal" filesystems.
- The Implementation in this file, used by the filesystems and the page cache to manage memory in larger chunks than PAGE\_SIZE
- Introduce 5.15 onwards, Clarifying memory management with page folios
- The folio type itself is defined as a simple wrapper structure:

```
struct folio {  
    struct page page;  
};
```



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### Background about struct folio - why ?

- Our type system does not currently distinguish between tail pages and head or single pages. This is a problem because we call `compound_head()` multiple times (and the compiler cannot optimise it out), bloating the kernel.
- It also makes programming hard as it is often unclear whether a function operates on an individual page, or an entire compound page.
- This patch series introduces the `struct folio`, which is a type that represents an entire compound page.
- This initial set reduces the kernel size by approximately 6kB, although its real purpose is adding infrastructure to enable further use of the folio.
- The big correctness proof that exists in this patch series is that we never lock or wait for writeback on a tail page. This is important as we would miss wakeups due to being on the wrong page waitqueue if we ever did.

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## References - Clarifying memory management with page folios

<https://lwn.net/Articles/849538/>

<https://lwn.net/ml/linux-kernel/20210305041901.2396498-1-willy@infradead.org/>



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***!Fix -***

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## SyzKaller Reproducer References -

<https://syzkaller.appspot.com/text?tag=ReproC&x=12224553a80000> - C code

<https://syzkaller.appspot.com/x/repro.syz?x=101c2da4a80000>

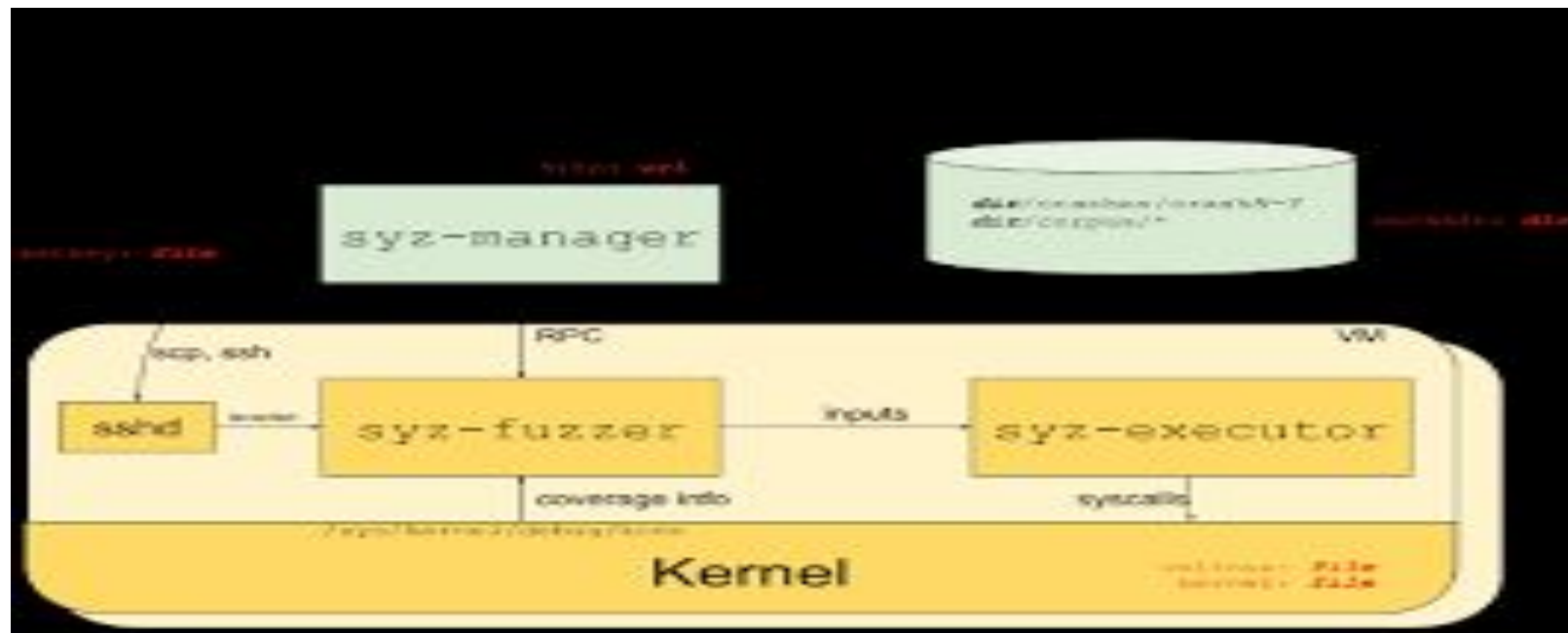
<https://github.com/google/syzkaller/blob/master/docs/syzbot.md#syzkaller-reproducers>

[https://github.com/google/syzkaller/blob/49be837e029feccab241a98641b01a146890b66f/executor/common\\_linux.h#L3007](https://github.com/google/syzkaller/blob/49be837e029feccab241a98641b01a146890b66f/executor/common_linux.h#L3007)

[https://github.com/search?q=repo%3Agoogle%2Fsyzkaller%20syz\\_mount\\_image&type=code](https://github.com/search?q=repo%3Agoogle%2Fsyzkaller%20syz_mount_image&type=code)

<https://github.com/google/syzkaller/blob/49be837e029feccab241a98641b01a146890b66f/pkg/subsystem/linux/rules.go#L51>

## Syzkaller Learning



## **syzkaller Learning - 1**

Issue - memory leak in skb\_copy (2)

Ref - <https://syzkaller.appspot.com/bug?extid=6eb09d75211863f15e3e>

# syzkaller Learning - 1

## Sample crash report:

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BUG: memory leak

unreferenced object 0xffff88811fff5e00 (size 240):

comm "kworker/u4:0", pid 10, jiffies 4294989700 (age 28.220s)

hex dump (first 32 bytes):

```
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 .....
```

backtrace:

```
[<fffffffff83e1c0bd>] __alloc_skb+0x1fd/0x230 net/core/skbuff.c:634
[<fffffffff83e1efcf>] skb_copy+0x6f/0x180 net/core/skbuff.c:1925
[<fffffffff82c3526f>] virtual_nci_send+0x3f/0xb0 drivers/nfc/virtual\_ncidev.c:58
[<fffffffff84990da9>] nci_send_frame+0x69/0xb0 net/nfc/nci/core.c:1347
[<fffffffff84990e82>] nci_cmd_work+0x92/0xc0 net/nfc/nci/core.c:1567
[<fffffffff812b19e4>] process_one_work+0x2c4/0x620 kernel/workqueue.c:2597
[<fffffffff812b233d>] worker_thread+0x5d/0x5c0 kernel/workqueue.c:2748
[<fffffffff812bbde3>] kthread+0x133/0x180 kernel/kthread.c:389
[<fffffffff81002b5f>] ret_from_fork+0x1f/0x30 arch/x86/entry/entry\_64.S:308
```

BUG: memory leak

unreferenced object 0xffff88810d74e500 (size 640):

## syzkaller Learning - 1

Issue - memory leak in skb\_copy (2)

```
48 static int virtual_nci_send(struct nci_dev *ndev, struct sk_buff *skb)
49 {
50     struct virtual_nci_dev *vdev = nci_get_drvdata(ndev);
51
52     mutex_lock(&vdev->mtx);
53     if (vdev->send_buff) {
54         mutex_unlock(&vdev->mtx);
55         kfree_skb(skb);
56         return -1;
57     }
58     vdev->send_buff = skb_copy(skb, GFP_KERNEL);
59     if (!vdev->send_buff) {
60         mutex_unlock(&vdev->mtx);
61         kfree_skb(skb);
62         return -1;
63     }
64     mutex_unlock(&vdev->mtx);
65     wake_up_interruptible(&vdev->wq);
66     consume_skb(skb);
67
68     return 0;
69 }
```



## syzkaller Learning - 2

A] Issue - Failed to ssh into qemu

Why - Didn't created ssh key

Fix - generate an SSH key pair, using ssh-keygen command

B] Issue - Failed to compile syzkaller

After firing make command, it used to exit in a minute.

Fix - Was using some older laptop/machine, switch to latest hardware.

# syzkaller Learning - 3

Issue - Missing reproducer

**BUG: unable to handle kernel NULL pointer dereference in \_\_io\_remove\_buffers**

e.g. <https://syzkaller.appspot.com/bug?extid=70de24bf68bee5f644e3>

Some of issues that syzkaller generated dont have reproducer

If we try to fix such issues, syzkaller failed to verify.

**BUG: unable to handle kernel NULL pointer dereference in \_\_io\_remove\_buffers**

Status: moderation: reported on 2023/05/30 07:17

Labels: io-uring (incorrect?)

Reported-by: syzbot+70de24bf68bee5f644e3@syzkaller.appspotmail.com

First crash: 91d, last: 91d

► Similar bugs (1)

## Sample crash report:

```
8<--- cut here ---
Unable to handle kernel NULL pointer dereference at virtual address 0000000e when read
[0000000e] *pgd=8000000000000000, *pmd=00000000
Internal error: Oops: 207 [#1] PREEMPT SMP ARM
Modules linked in:
CPU: 0 PID: 20796 Comm: kworker/u4:0 Not tainted 6.4.0-rc3-syzkaller #0
Hardware name: ARM-Versatile Express
Workqueue: events_unbound io_ring_exit_work
PC is at __io_remove_buffers io_uring/kbuf.c:219 [inline]
PC is at __io_remove_buffers+0x38/0x184 io_uring/kbuf.c:209
LR is at io_destroy_buffers+0x40/0x134 io_uring/kbuf.c:268
pc : [<807aeeb8>] lr : [<807af454>] psr: 20000113
sp : dfb61e48 ip : dfb61e78 fp : dfb61e74
r10: 87f58c28 r9 : 87f58800 r8 : ffffffff
```

## BUG 2

### Sample crash report:

```
=====
UBSAN: shift-out-of-bounds in drivers/media/usb/gspca/cpia1.c:1031:27
shift exponent 245 is too large for 32-bit type 'int'
CPU: 1 PID: 25 Comm: kworker/1:1 Not tainted 6.5.0-rc4-syzkaller-00118-g55c3e571d2a0 #0
Hardware name: Google Google Compute Engine/Google Compute Engine, BIOS Google 07/26/2023
Workqueue: usb_hub_wq hub_event
Call Trace:
<TASK>
__dump_stack lib/dump\_stack.c:88 [inline]
dump_stack_lvl+0x125/0x1b0 lib/dump\_stack.c:106
ubsan_epilogue lib/ubsan.c:217 [inline]
__ubsan_handle_shift_out_of_bounds+0x27a/0x600 lib/ubsan.c:387
set_flicker.cold+0x1b/0x20 drivers/media/usb/gspca/cpia1.c:1031
sd_s_ctrl+0x2c6/0xbf0 drivers/media/usb/gspca/cpia1.c:1782
__v4l2_ctrl_handler_setup+0x511/0x710 drivers/media/v4l2-core/v4l2-ctrls-core.c:2481
v4l2_ctrl_handler_setup drivers/media/v4l2-core/v4l2-ctrls-core.c:2498 [inline]
v4l2_ctrl_handler_setup+0x50/0xa0 drivers/media/v4l2-core/v4l2-ctrls-core.c:2490
gspca_set_default_mode drivers/media/usb/gspca/gspca.c:908 [inline]
gspca_dev_probe2+0xdd6/0x1b20 drivers/media/usb/gspca/gspca.c:1541
gspca_dev_probe+0x18b/0x270 drivers/media/usb/gspca/gspca.c:1610
usb_probe_interface+0x307/0x930 drivers/usb/core/driver.c:396
kthread+0x33a/0x430 kernel/kthread.c:389
ret_from_fork+0x2c/0x70 arch/x86/kernel/process.c:145
ret_from_fork_asm+0x11/0x20 arch/x86/entry/entry\_64.S:304
</TASK>
=====
```

What caused patch?

```
if (sd->params.exposure.expMode != 2) {  
    sd->params.exposure.expMode = 2;  
    sd->exposure_status = EXPOSURE_NORMAL;  
}  
currentexp = currentexp << sd->params.exposure.gain;  
sd->params.exposure.gain = 0;  
/* round down current exposure to nearest value */
```

How I fixed it.

```
--- a/drivers/media/usb/gspca/cpia1.c  
+++ b/drivers/media/usb/gspca/cpia1.c  
@@ -1028,6 +1028,8 @@ static int set_flicker(struct gspca_dev *gspca_dev, int on, int apply)  
    sd->params.exposure.expMode = 2;  
    sd->exposure_status = EXPOSURE_NORMAL;  
}  
+    if (sd->params.exposure.gain > 31)  
+        return -EINVAL;  
currentexp = currentexp << sd->params.exposure.gain;
```

Thank You!