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Subject: [PATCH] Fix potential OOPS in generic\_setlease()  
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This code is run under lock\_kernel(), which is dropped during sleeping operations, so the following race is possible:

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CPU1:                CPU2:
vfs_setlease();       vfs_setlease();
lock_kernel();        lock_kernel(); /* spin */

generic_setlease():
...
for (before = ...)
/* here we found some lease after
 * which we will insert the new one
 */
fl = locks_alloc_lock();
/* go to sleep in this allocation and
 * drop the BKL
 */

                generic_setlease():
                ...
                for (before = ...)
                /* here we find the "before" pointing
                 * at the one we found on CPU1
                 */
                ->fl_change(my_before, arg);
                    lease_modify();
                    locks_free_lock();
                    /* and we freed it */

                ...
                unlock_kernel();
locks_insert_lock(before, fl);
/* OOPS! We have just tried to add the lease
 * at the tail of already removed one
 */
```

The similar races are already handled in other code - all the allocations are performed before any checks/updates.

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diff --git a/fs/locks.c b/fs/locks.c
index 5fa072a..227926e 100644
--- a/fs/locks.c
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+++ b/fs/locks.c
@@ -1341,7 +1341,7 @@ int fcntl_getlease(struct file *filp)
    */
    int generic_setlease(struct file *filp, long arg, struct file_lock **flp)
    {
- struct file_lock *fl, **before, **my_before = NULL, *lease;
+ struct file_lock *fl = NULL, **before, **my_before = NULL, *lease;
    struct dentry *dentry = filp->f_path.dentry;
    struct inode *inode = dentry->d_inode;
    int error, rdlease_count = 0, wrlease_count = 0;
@@ -1368,6 +1368,11 @@ int generic_setlease(struct file *filp,
    || (atomic_read(&inode->i_count) > 1)))
    goto out;

+ error = -ENOMEM;
+ fl = locks_alloc_lock();
+ if (fl == NULL)
+ goto out;
+
    /*
     * At this point, we know that if there is an exclusive
     * lease on this file, then we hold it on this filp
@@ -1410,18 +1415,16 @@ int generic_setlease(struct file *filp,
    if (!leases_enable)
    goto out;

- error = -ENOMEM;
- fl = locks_alloc_lock();
- if (fl == NULL)
- goto out;
-
    locks_copy_lock(fl, lease);

    locks_insert_lock(before, fl);

    *flp = fl;
- error = 0;
+ return 0;
+
    out:
+ if (fl != NULL)
+ locks_free_lock(fl);
    return error;
}
EXPORT_SYMBOL(generic_setlease);

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