
Subject: Re: [PATCH 3/4] proc: simplify remove_proc_entry() wrt locking
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On Fri, 16 Nov 2007 18:10:15 +0300 Alexey Dobriyan <adobriyan@sw.ru> wrote:

> We can take proc_subdir_lock for duration of list searching and removing
> from lists only. It can't hurt -- we can gather any amount of looked up
> PDEs right after proc_subdir_lock droppage in proc_lookup() anyway.
> Current code should already deal with this correctly.
>
> Also this should make code more undestandable:
> * original looks like a loop, however, it's a loop with unconditional
> trailing "break;" -- not loop at all.
> * more explicit statement that proc_subdir_lock protects only ->subdir lists.

oopses the Vaio.

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[ 12.595145] BUG: unable to handle kernel NULL pointer dereference at virtual address
00000030
[ 12.598487] printing eip: c01a607f *pde = 00000000
[ 12.601795] Oops: 0000 [#1] PREEMPT
[ 12.605101] last sysfs file:
[ 12.608432] Modules linked in:
[ 12.611727]
[ 12.615000] Pid: 1, comm: swapper Not tainted (2.6.24-rc3-mm1 #4)
[ 12.618345] EIP: 0060:[<c01a607f>] EFLAGS: 00010206 CPU: 0
[ 12.621713] EIP is at remove_proc_entry+0x69/0x16c
[ 12.625071] EAX: 00000000 EBX: f726d940 ECX: f726d9bd EDX: 00000000
[ 12.628445] ESI: 00000030 EDI: f726d940 EBP: f7841e3c ESP: f7841dcc
[ 12.631747] DS: 007b ES: 007b FS: 0000 GS: 0000 SS: 0068
[ 12.635052] Process swapper (pid: 1, ti=F7840000 task=F783ED30 task.ti=F7840000)
[ 12.635181] Stack: 00000005 f726d9c0 c042747c f7841df0 c0131992 00000282 f7841e1c
00000005
[ 12.638669]      00000000 00000046 00000174 00000000 c0138012 00000000 00000000
00000000
[ 12.642173]      f783f2e0 f783ed30 00000000 f783ed30 c0320d27 00000010 f7841e34
c013a1e4
[ 12.645623] Call Trace:
[ 12.652432] [<c0104e0c>] show_trace_log_lvl+0x12/0x25
[ 12.655938] [<c0104eab>] show_stack_log_lvl+0x8c/0x9e
[ 12.659333] [<c0104f47>] show_registers+0x8a/0x1c0
[ 12.662755] [<c010516b>] die+0xee/0x1c4
[ 12.666101] [<c0117a18>] do_page_fault+0x405/0x4e1
[ 12.669427] [<c0320fda>] error_code+0x6a/0x70
[ 12.672700] [<c0151d13>] unregister_handler_proc+0x1b/0x1d
[ 12.675974] [<c0150bb2>] free_irq+0xb3/0xdc
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[ 12.679227] [<c028a51b>] yenta_probe_cb_irq+0xc9/0xd6
[ 12.682482] [<c028a829>] ti12xx_override+0x12b/0x4c5
[ 12.685782] [<c028b270>] yenta_probe+0x2b1/0x55d
[ 12.689042] [<c01fed0d>] pci_device_probe+0x39/0x5b
[ 12.692276] [<c025a9ad>] driver_probe_device+0xd1/0x147
[ 12.695492] [<c025ab37>] __driver_attach+0x6a/0xa1
[ 12.698666] [<c0259ee9>] bus_for_each_dev+0x37/0x5c
[ 12.701783] [<c025a816>] driver_attach+0x14/0x16
[ 12.704891] [<c025a220>] bus_add_driver+0x7a/0x191
[ 12.708015] [<c025ad08>] driver_register+0x57/0x5c
[ 12.711095] [<c01fee6f>] __pci_register_driver+0x56/0x83
[ 12.714170] [<c047203c>] yenta_socket_init+0x14/0x16
[ 12.717195] [<c0458650>] kernel_init+0xc5/0x20f
[ 12.720120] [<c0104aaf>] kernel_thread_helper+0x7/0x10
[ 12.723041] =====
[ 12.725918] INFO: lockdep is turned off.
[ 12.728813] Code: 75 94 83 c6 38 eb 24 8b 55 f0 89 d9 8b 45 90 e8 ab fe ff ff 85 c0 74 0e 8b 43
30 89 df 89 06 c7 43 30 00 00 00 00 8b 36 83 c6 30 <8b> 1e 85 db 75 d6 b8 e0 2b 43 c0 e8 ab
ab 17 00 85 ff 0f 84 e3
[ 12.735473] EIP: [<c01a607f>] remove_proc_entry+0x69/0x16c SS:ESP 0068:f7841dcc

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(gdb) l *0xc01a4fdf

0xc01a4fdf is in remove_proc_entry (fs/proc/generic.c:698).

warning: Source file is more recent than executable.

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693         if (!parent && xlate_proc_name(name, &parent, &fn) != 0)
694             return;
695         len = strlen(fn);
696
697         spin_lock(&proc_subdir_lock);
698         for (p = &parent->subdir; *p; p=(*p)->next) {
699             if (!proc_match(len, fn, *p))
700                 continue;
701             de = *p;
702             *p = de->next;

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iirc this is what Andy was hitting.