
Subject: Re: [PATCH] incorrect error handling inside generic_file_direct_write
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```
> +ssize_t  
> +__generic_file_aio_write(struct kiocb *iocb, const struct iovec *iov,  
> + unsigned long nr_segs, loff_t pos)
```

I'd still call this generic_file_aio_write_nolock.

```
> + loff_t *ppos = &iocb->ki_pos;
```

I'd rather use iocb->ki_pos directly in the few places ppos is referenced currently.

```
> if (ret > 0 && ((file->f_flags & O_SYNC) || IS_SYNC(inode))) {  
> - ssize_t err;  
> -  
> err = sync_page_range_nolock(inode, mapping, pos, ret);  
> if (err < 0)  
> ret = err;  
> }
```

So we're doing the sync_page_range once in __generic_file_aio_write with i_mutex held.

```
> mutex_lock(&inode->i_mutex);  
> - ret = __generic_file_aio_write_nolock(iocb, iov, nr_segs,  
> - &iocb->ki_pos);  
> + ret = __generic_file_aio_write(iocb, iov, nr_segs, pos);  
> mutex_unlock(&inode->i_mutex);  
>  
> if (ret > 0 && ((file->f_flags & O_SYNC) || IS_SYNC(inode))) {
```

And then another time after it's unlocked, this seems wrong.
