
Subject: Re: [stable] [PATCH] IA64, sparc: local DoS with corrupted ELF's
Posted by [Greg KH](#) on Wed, 06 Sep 2006 18:45:09 GMT

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Yes, but the -stable developers don't build for those arches, that's why
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So, what's the proper patch for the next -stable release to fix this
problem? I see a bunch of different ones floating around...

thanks,

greg k-h

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Posted by [Matthew Wilcox](#) on Wed, 06 Sep 2006 19:12:16 GMT

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Posted by [Christoph Lameter](#) on Wed, 06 Sep 2006 19:17:40 GMT

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Follow the conventional patch: Send patch to Andrew for mm inclusion so
that we can all test it and then get it into Linus' tree?

2.6.17.x is used neither by Suse nor by Redhat. For Suse exposure you may
have to get it into 2.6.16.x.

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Posted by [Greg KH](#) on Wed, 06 Sep 2006 19:25:11 GMT

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And no, I really don't want a parisc machine here :)

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greg k-h

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Posted by [Willy Tarreau](#) on Wed, 06 Sep 2006 20:27:20 GMT
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IMHO it's even simpler than that. You already announce release candidates with what you intend to push into next -stable. Those who complain that -stable breaks on them just get what they deserve. They're free to announce the problem and even provide a patch in order to fix the problem in next -stable ASAP, but I find it a bit easy to complain about the -stable team that some fixes break a few rarely tested pieces of software !

I'd prefer that we get slightly more -stable releases with a few ones potentially wrong on rare occasions, than fewer ones which get released only once everyone agrees (ie mostly never).

> And no, I really don't want a parisc machine here :)

I have one right here serving my web pages, but I have to check that my toolchain is still OK (I don't build on it - 32 MB, NFS root). You don't know what you're missing :-)

> thanks,

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> greg k-h

Regards,

Willy

Subject: Re: [stable] [PATCH] IA64, sparc: local DoS with corrupted ELF's
Posted by [Marcel Holtmann](#) on Thu, 07 Sep 2006 12:01:41 GMT

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Regards

Marcel

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Posted by [Greg KH](#) on Thu, 07 Sep 2006 15:37:46 GMT

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On Thu, Sep 07, 2006 at 03:11:42PM +0200, Marcel Holtmann wrote:

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Well, short of me and Chris getting one of every arch out there (which I don't recommend), I think we will just get by as we have been doing in the past.

thanks,

greg k-h

Subject: Re: [stable] [PATCH] IA64, sparc: local DoS with corrupted ELF's
Posted by [Jes Sorensen](#) on Fri, 08 Sep 2006 09:11:21 GMT
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>>>>> "Greg" == Greg KH <greg@kroah.com> writes:

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I'll try and see if we can arrange some sort of autotest of these on
Altix, that should at least cover parts of the ia64 space.

Greg> And no, I really don't want a parisc machine here :)

What, you don't fancy 512 CPU Altix in your basement either? :)

Cheers,
Jes