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Subject: [PATCH] Fix OOPS in show\_uevent()  
Posted by [Pavel Emelianov](#) on Fri, 10 Aug 2007 10:13:43 GMT  
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forgot to set NULL to the last envp pointer and this caused the  
show\_uevent() oops while printing all the envp pointers like this:

BUG: unable to handle kernel paging request at virtual address 000280d0

...  
Call Trace:  
[<c04d3d2d>] vsnprintf+0x2c7/0x48c  
[<c04d3f6d>] sprintf+0x17/0x19  
[<c052efa2>] show\_uevent+0xeb/0x110  
[<c0457649>] buffered\_rmqueue+0x1bf/0x1ed  
[<c04577b7>] get\_page\_from\_freelist+0x82/0xa2  
[<c0457836>] \_\_alloc\_pages+0x5f/0x286  
[<c052eeb7>] show\_uevent+0x0/0x110  
[<c052ec32>] dev\_attr\_show+0x15/0x1c  
[<c04aa7c3>] fill\_read\_buffer+0x57/0x89  
[<c04aa81d>] sysfs\_read\_file+0x28/0x53  
[<c0471762>] vfs\_read+0x7f/0xef  
[<c04719f7>] sys\_read+0x3c/0x62  
[<c0404bd6>] sysenter\_past\_esp+0x5f/0x99  
...

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This is for 2.6.23-rc2-mm1

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+++ ./drivers/base/core.c 2007-08-10 14:07:15.000000000 +0400
@@ -222,6 +222,11 @@ static int dev_uevent(struct kset *kset,
     if (retval)
         pr_debug ("%s: bus uevent() returned %d\n",
            __FUNCTION__, retval);
+
```

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+ while (*envp != NULL) {
+   envp++;
+   num_envp--;
+ }
+ }

    if (dev->class && dev->class->dev_uevent) {
@@ -230,6 +235,11 @@ static int dev_uevent(struct kset *kset,
    if (retval)
        pr_debug("%s: class uevent() returned %d\n",
            __FUNCTION__, retval);
+
+ while (*envp != NULL) {
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+ }
+ }

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@@ -238,6 +248,11 @@ static int dev_uevent(struct kset *kset,
    if (retval)
        pr_debug("%s: dev_type uevent() returned %d\n",
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+ while (*envp != NULL) {
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    return retval;
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@@ -547,6 +547,7 @@ static int platform_uevent(struct device

    envp[0] = buffer;
    snprintf(buffer, buffer_size, "MODALIAS=%s", pdev->name);
+ envp[1] = NULL;
    return 0;
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Subject: Re: [PATCH] Fix OOPS in show\_uevent()  
 Posted by [Cornelia Huck](#) on Fri, 10 Aug 2007 12:09:36 GMT  
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 Pavel Emelyanov <xemul@openvz.org> wrote:

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Looks sane.

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I don't think so.

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Hm, we may also want to adjust the remaining buffer size here, but only the ->uevent() method has that knowledge...

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Subject: Re: [PATCH] Fix OOPS in show\_uevent()  
 Posted by [Kay Sievers](#) on Fri, 10 Aug 2007 12:23:56 GMT  
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On 8/10/07, Pavel Emelyanov <xemul@openvz.org> wrote:

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like we do for:

```
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and along with the change of the callers, we would update the values properly, so the next call has the correct numbers? There are 6 classes and something like 12 buses using this method, so it shouldn't be too much trouble.

Thanks,  
Kay

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Subject: Re: [PATCH] Fix OOPS in show\_uevent()  
Posted by [Cornelia Huck](#) on Fri, 10 Aug 2007 12:39:27 GMT  
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On Fri, 10 Aug 2007 14:23:56 +0200,  
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Subject: Re: [PATCH] Fix OOPS in show\_uevent()  
Posted by [Pavel Emelianov](#) on Fri, 10 Aug 2007 13:21:51 GMT  
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Thanks,  
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But the function wants to know the `buffer_size`, doesn't it?  
(And the caller can make the adjustments easily; it saves duplicated code.)

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