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Subject: unlock iptables in netns

Posted by [Alexey Dobriyan](#) on Tue, 10 Jun 2008 17:27:20 GMT

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    unsigned int verdict;
    int ret = 0;

-#ifdef CONFIG_NET_NS
- struct net *net;
-
- net = indev == NULL ? dev_net(outdev) : dev_net(indev);
- if (net != &init_net)
- return 1;
-#endif
-
/* We may already have this, but read-locks nest anyway */
rcu_read_lock();

--- a/net/netfilter/nf_sockopt.c
+++ b/net/netfilter/nf_sockopt.c
@@ -65,9 +65,6 @@ static struct nf_sockopt_ops *nf_sockopt_find(struct sock *sk, int pf,
{
    struct nf_sockopt_ops *ops;

- if (sock_net(sk) != &init_net)
- return ERR_PTR(-ENOPROTOOPT);
-
    if (mutex_lock_interruptible(&nf_sockopt_mutex) != 0)
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```

index e69ab2e..49c4d0c 100644

--- a/include/net/netfilter/nf\_conntrack\_tuple.h

+++ b/include/net/netfilter/nf\_conntrack\_tuple.h

@@ -91,6 +91,8 @@ struct nf\_conntrack\_tuple

/\* The direction (for tuplehash) \*/

u\_int8\_t dir;

} dst;

+

+ u\_int32\_t mark;

};

struct nf\_conntrack\_tuple\_mask

@@ -140,7 +142,8 @@ static inline int \_\_nf\_ct\_tuple\_src\_equal(const struct nf\_conntrack\_tuple \*t1,

t1->src.u3.all[2] == t2->src.u3.all[2] &&

t1->src.u3.all[3] == t2->src.u3.all[3] &&

t1->src.u.all == t2->src.u.all &&

- t1->src.l3num == t2->src.l3num);

+ t1->src.l3num == t2->src.l3num &&

+ t1->mark == t2->mark);

}

static inline int \_\_nf\_ct\_tuple\_dst\_equal(const struct nf\_conntrack\_tuple \*t1,

@@ -151,7 +154,8 @@ static inline int \_\_nf\_ct\_tuple\_dst\_equal(const struct nf\_conntrack\_tuple \*t1,

t1->dst.u3.all[2] == t2->dst.u3.all[2] &&

t1->dst.u3.all[3] == t2->dst.u3.all[3] &&

t1->dst.u.all == t2->dst.u.all &&

- t1->dst.protonum == t2->dst.protonum);

+ t1->dst.protonum == t2->dst.protonum &&

+ t1->mark == t2->mark);

}

static inline int nf\_ct\_tuple\_equal(const struct nf\_conntrack\_tuple \*t1,

@@ -187,7 +191,8 @@ static inline int nf\_ct\_tuple\_src\_mask\_cmp(const struct nf\_conntrack\_tuple \*t1,

return 0;

if (t1->src.l3num != t2->src.l3num ||

- t1->dst.protonum != t2->dst.protonum)

+ t1->dst.protonum != t2->dst.protonum ||

+ t1->mark != t2->mark)

return 0;

return 1;

diff --git a/net/ipv4/netfilter/nf\_conntrack\_l3proto\_ipv4.c

b/net/ipv4/netfilter/nf\_conntrack\_l3proto\_ipv4.c

index a65b845..7b50593 100644

```

--- a/net/ipv4/netfilter/nf_conntrack_l3proto_ipv4.c
+++ b/net/ipv4/netfilter/nf_conntrack_l3proto_ipv4.c
@@ -52,9 +52,10 @@ static int ipv4_invert_tuple(struct nf_conntrack_tuple *tuple,
static int ipv4_print_tuple(struct seq_file *s,
    const struct nf_conntrack_tuple *tuple)
{
- return seq_printf(s, "src=%u.%u.%u.%u dst=%u.%u.%u.%u ",
+ return seq_printf(s, "src=%u.%u.%u.%u dst=%u.%u.%u.%u mark=%u ",
    NIPQUAD(tuple->src.u3.ip),
-   NIPQUAD(tuple->dst.u3.ip));
+   NIPQUAD(tuple->dst.u3.ip),
+   tuple->mark);
}

```

/\* Returns new sk\_buff, or NULL \*/

```

diff --git a/net/ipv4/netfilter/nf_nat_core.c b/net/ipv4/netfilter/nf_nat_core.c
index 36b4e3b..a2e76dc 100644

```

```

--- a/net/ipv4/netfilter/nf_nat_core.c
+++ b/net/ipv4/netfilter/nf_nat_core.c
@@ -82,7 +82,7 @@ hash_by_src(const struct nf_conntrack_tuple *tuple)
/* Original src, to ensure we map it consistently if poss. */
hash = jhash_3words((__force u32)tuple->src.u3.ip,
    (__force u32)tuple->src.u.all,
-   tuple->dst.protonum, 0);
+   tuple->dst.protonum ^ tuple->mark, 0);
return ((u64)hash * nf_nat_htable_size) >> 32;
}

```

```

@@ -140,7 +140,8 @@ same_src(const struct nf_conn *ct,
t = &ct->tuplehash[IP_CT_DIR_ORIGINAL].tuple;
return (t->dst.protonum == tuple->dst.protonum &&
    t->src.u3.ip == tuple->src.u3.ip &&
-   t->src.u.all == tuple->src.u.all);
+   t->src.u.all == tuple->src.u.all &&
+   t->mark == tuple->mark);
}

```

/\* Only called for SRC manip \*/

```

@@ -213,7 +214,7 @@ find_best_ips_proto(struct nf_conntrack_tuple *tuple,
minip = ntohl(range->min_ip);
maxip = ntohl(range->max_ip);
j = jhash_2words((__force u32)tuple->src.u3.ip,
-   (__force u32)tuple->dst.u3.ip, 0);
+   (__force u32)tuple->dst.u3.ip ^ tuple->mark, 0);
j = ((u64)j * (maxip - minip + 1)) >> 32;
*var_ipp = htonl(minip + j);
}

```

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diff --git a/net/ipv6/netfilter/nf_conntrack_l3proto_ipv6.c

```

```

b/net/ipv6/netfilter/nf_conntrack_l3proto_ipv6.c
index 3717bdf..633b7bc 100644
--- a/net/ipv6/netfilter/nf_conntrack_l3proto_ipv6.c
+++ b/net/ipv6/netfilter/nf_conntrack_l3proto_ipv6.c
@@ -56,9 +56,10 @@ static int ipv6_invert_tuple(struct nf_conntrack_tuple *tuple,
static int ipv6_print_tuple(struct seq_file *s,
                           const struct nf_conntrack_tuple *tuple)
{
- return seq_printf(s, "src=" NIP6_FMT " dst=" NIP6_FMT " ",
+ return seq_printf(s, "src=" NIP6_FMT " dst=" NIP6_FMT " mark=%u ",
    NIP6(((struct in6_addr *)tuple->src.u3.ip6)),
-   NIP6(((struct in6_addr *)tuple->dst.u3.ip6)));
+   NIP6(((struct in6_addr *)tuple->dst.u3.ip6)),
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}

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index b77eb56..f515a06 100644
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+++ b/net/netfilter/nf_conntrack_core.c
@@ -83,7 +83,7 @@ static u_int32_t __hash_conntrack(const struct nf_conntrack_tuple *tuple,
n = (sizeof(tuple->src) + sizeof(tuple->dst.u3)) / sizeof(u32);
h = jhash2((u32 *)tuple, n,
    rnd ^ (((__force __u16)tuple->dst.u.all << 16) |
-   tuple->dst.protonum));
+   (tuple->dst.protonum ^ tuple->mark)));

return ((u64)h * size) >> 32;
}
@@ -112,6 +112,7 @@ nf_ct_get_tuple(const struct sk_buff *skb,

tuple->dst.protonum = protonum;
tuple->dst.dir = IP_CT_DIR_ORIGINAL;
+ tuple->mark = skb->mark;

return l4proto->pkt_to_tuple(skb, dataoff, tuple);
}
@@ -160,8 +161,8 @@ nf_ct_invert_tuple(struct nf_conntrack_tuple *inverse,
return 0;

inverse->dst.dir = !orig->dst.dir;
-
inverse->dst.protonum = orig->dst.protonum;
+ inverse->mark = orig->mark;
return l4proto->invert_tuple(inverse, orig);
}
EXPORT_SYMBOL_GPL(nf_ct_invert_tuple);

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index 684ec9c..19791a3 100644
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+++ b/net/netfilter/nf_conntrack_expect.c
@@ -81,7 +81,7 @@ static unsigned int nf_ct_expect_dst_hash(const struct nf_conntrack_tuple
*tuple
{

    hash = jhash2(tuple->dst.u3.all, ARRAY_SIZE(tuple->dst.u3.all),
-    (((tuple->dst.protonum ^ tuple->src.l3num) << 16) |
+    (((tuple->dst.protonum ^ tuple->src.l3num ^ tuple->mark) << 16) |
        (__force __u16)tuple->dst.u.all) ^ nf_ct_expect_hash_rnd);
    return ((u64)hash * nf_ct_expect_hsize) >> 32;
}
@@ -222,6 +222,7 @@ struct nf_conntrack_expect *nf_ct_expect_alloc(struct nf_conn *me)
    return NULL;

    new->master = me;
+ new->tuple.mark = me->tuplehash[IP_CT_DIR_ORIGINAL].tuple.mark;
    atomic_set(&new->use, 1);
    INIT_RCU_HEAD(&new->rcu);
    return new;

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I think I just misunderstood the meaning of vlan\_net\_id.

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Can't you do active cleanup instead of pinning the namespace?

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