

Designing subsystems for **FUZZ-ability**

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syzkaller + syzbot

syzkaller:

- kernel fuzzer (randomized testing)
- executes infinite stream of random test programs
- code coverage-guided
- uses UAPI descriptions

syzbot:

- continuous builds
- bug reporting/tracking
- cause/fix bisection, patch testing
- dashboard

>5000 bugs reported

>3000 bugs fixed

>7000 LTS backports

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open (966):

Title	Repro	Cause bisect	Fix bisect	Count	Last	Reported	Last activity
possible deadlock in jbd2_journal_lock_updates	C	error		8909	now	25d	9d01h
WARNING in ext4_dirty_folio	C	error		1505	now	159d	80d
KMSAN: uninit-value in btrfs_clean_tree_block(2)				9346	now	286d	122d
possible deadlock in ext4_bmap	C	error		12006	10m	25d	13d
possible deadlock in __jbd2_log_wait_for_space				5425	12m	25d	25d
WARNING in dev_watchdog(2)	C	inconclusive		5584	23m	886d	265d
KASAN: slab-out-of-bounds Read in ntfs_iget5				235	26m	132d	132d
KASAN: use-after-free Read in si470x_int_in_callback(2)	C	error		6282	59m	1049d	1002d
kernel BUG in vmf_insert_pfn_prot	C	done		1506	1h07m	350d	348d
KMSAN: uninit-value in sctp_inq_pop(2)	C			617	1h16m	237d	114d
general protection fault in binder_alloc_new_buf	C	error		218	1h18m	12d	2d13h
INFO: task hung in usb_register_dev	C	error		453	1h27m	787d	351d
INFO: rcu detected stall in tc_modify_qdisc	C	done		133	1h39m	765d	534d
INFO: task hung in iterate_supers	C	error		155	1h39m	1515d	22d
WARNING in firmware_fallback_sysfs	C	error		1215	1h46m	547d	147d
KMSAN: uninit-value in dib3000mb_attach(2)	C			1568	1h46m	679d	525d
possible deadlock in p9_req_put	C	done		975	1h48m	25d	23d
WARNING in input_mt_init_slots	C	inconclusive		1042	2h06m	599d	553d
general protection fault in binder_alloc_print_pages	C	error		105	2h21m	12d	11d
INFO: task hung in blkdev_put(4)	C	done		215	2h26m	698d	698d
INFO: task hung in do_read_cache_folio	C	error		171	2h29m	207d	56d
memory leak in ath9k_hif_usb_firmware_cb	C			1481	3h07m	660d	401d
BUG: MAX_LOCKDEP_CHAINS too low!(3)	C	error		5747	3h37m	292d	264d
KMSAN: uninit-value in mii_nway_restart	C			258	3h40m	1186d	534d
KASAN: use-after-free Read in __kernfs_remove	C	done		103	3h43m	7d17h	6d10h

Bug info

KASAN: slab-out-of-bounds Read in ntfs_iget5

Status: [upstream: reported on 2022/04/22 13:07](#)

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First crash: 132d, last: 55m

Sample crash report:

```
ntfs3: loop5: Different NTFS' sector size (2048) and media sector size (512)
```

```
BUG: KASAN: slab-out-of-bounds in ntfs_iget5+0x151/0x36c0 fs/ntfs3/inode.c:501
Read of size 8 at addr ffff88807350ff60 by task syz-executor.5/7585
```

```
CPU: 0 PID: 7585 Comm: syz-executor.5 Not tainted 5.19.0-syzkaller-00428-g9de1f9c8ca51 #0
Hardware name: Google Google Compute Engine/Google Compute Engine, BIOS Google 07/22/2022
Call Trace:
```


```
<-TASK>
  dump_stack lib/dump_stack.c:88 [inline]
  dump_stack lvl+0x1e3/0x2cb lib/dump_stack.c:106
  print_address_description+0x65/0x4b0 mm/kasan/report.c:313
  print_report+0xf4/0x210 mm/kasan/report.c:429
  kasan_report+0xfb/0x130 mm/kasan/report.c:491
  ntfs_iget5+0x151/0x36c0 fs/ntfs3/inode.c:501
  ntfs_fill_super+0x2309/0x42e0 fs/ntfs3/super.c:999
  get_tree_bdev+0x400/0x620 fs/super.c:1292
  vfs_get_tree+0x80/0x270 fs/super.c:1497
  do_new_mount+0x289/0xad0 fs/namespace.c:3040
  do_mount fs/namespace.c:3383 [inline]
  do_sys_mount fs/namespace.c:3591 [inline]
  __se_sys_mount+0x2e3/0x3d0 fs/namespace.c:3568
  do_syscall_x64 arch/x86/entry/common.c:50 [inline]
  do_syscall_64+0x2b/0x70 arch/x86/entry/common.c:80
  entry_SYSCALL_64_after_hwframe+0x63/0xcd
RTP: 0033·0x7fde6e08a73a
```

Crashes (235):

Manager	Time	Kernel	Commit	Syzkaller	Config	Log	Report	Syz repro	C repro	VM info	Title
ci-upstream-kasan-gce-smack-root	2022/08/02 14:21	upstream	9de1f9c8ca51	1c9013ac	.config	log	report			info	KASAN: slab-out-of-bounds Read in ntfs_iget5
ci-upstream-kasan-gce-root	2022/04/22 12:17	upstream	d569e86915b7	2738b391	.config	log	report			info	KASAN: slab-out-of-bounds Read in ntfs_iget5
ci-upstream-kasan-gce-smack-root	2022/08/24 21:33	upstream	c40e8341e3b3	514514f6	.config	log	report			info	KASAN: use-after-free Read in ntfs_iget5
ci-upstream-kasan-gce-smack-root	2022/08/09 01:34	upstream	200e340f219e	da700653	.config	log	report			info	general protection fault in ntfs_iget5
ci-upstream-kasan-gce-smack-root	2022/08/02 19:53	upstream	7d0d3fa7339e	1c9013ac	.config	log	report			info	KASAN: use-after-free Read in ntfs_iget5
ci-upstream-kasan-gce-root	2022/07/24 20:43	upstream	af2c9ac24019	22343af4	.config	log	report			info	KASAN: use-after-free Read in ntfs_iget5
ci-qemu-upstream-386	2022/06/13 23:17	upstream	b13bacc3850	0f087040	.config	log	report			info	KASAN: use-after-free Read in ntfs_iget5
ci-upstream-linux-next-kasan-gce-root	2022/06/13 17:12	linux-next	6d0c80680317	0d5abf15	.config	log	report			info	KASAN: use-after-free Read in ntfs_iget5

Code coverage reports

Instances:

Name	Last active	Uptime	Corpus	Coverage 	Crashes	Execs	Commit	Config	Freshness	Status
ci-qemu-upstream	now	10h29m	43029	644667	226	987080	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-qemu-upstream-386	now	10h45m	40645	595784	116	923152	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-qemu2-arm32	now	10h42m	107049	124033	3	734639	c1c76700a0d6	.config	28d	failing
ci-qemu2-arm64	now	10h16m	74726	86675		388433	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-qemu2-arm64-compat	now	10h08m	66993	76263		314917	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-qemu2-arm64-mte	now	10h25m	85213	100741	5	613089	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-qemu2-riscv64	now	10h25m	9845	235018	196	62797	0966d385830d	.config	175d	failing
ci-upstream-bpf-kasan-gce	now	10h41m	12715	308430	24	3619602	8a7d61bdc2fa	.config	1d17h	
ci-upstream-bpf-next-kasan-gce	now	9h42m	22703	482560	163	2500971	ef331a8d4c00	.config	12h52m	
ci-upstream-gce-arm64	now	10h41m	60678	444098	71	5122500	85413d1e802e	.config	23h08m	
ci-upstream-gce-leak	now	10h13m	44914	776209	63	1244326	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-upstream-kasan-gce	now	9h51m	38250	569555	37	2748242	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-upstream-kasan-gce-386	now	9h22m	33277	520374	24	776502	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-upstream-kasan-gce-root	now	10h01m	51852	770416	145	2333963	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-upstream-kasan-gce-selinux-root	now	10h17m	50640	819502	107	2125692	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-upstream-kasan-gce-smack-root	now	9h33m	71839	670102	115	1957057	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci-upstream-kmsan-gce	now	2h00m	58656	377368	193	2509547	717d319242de	.config	3h48m	
ci-upstream-kmsan-gce-386	now	1h47m	53119	401230	234	705409	717d319242de	.config	3h48m	
ci-upstream-linux-next-kasan-gce-root	now	10h40m	49539	818352	75	2535212	e47eb90a0a9a	.config	1d04h	
ci-upstream-net-kasan-gce	now	9h12m	31585	391690	209	4479651	60ad1100d525	.config	16h16m	
ci-upstream-net-this-kasan-gce	now	9h03m	30131	386678	138	2972271	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci2-upstream-kcsan-gce	now	9h05m	58806	384435	80	4503542	42e66b1cc3a0	.config	19h53m	
ci2-upstream-usb	now	9h37m	2030	59884	64	1082037	ffcf9c5700e4	.config	22d	failing

Code coverage reports

▶ arch/x86	25%(58%)	of 46291(20151)
▶ block	25%(59%)	of 19152(7971)
▶ certs	32%(80%)	of 25(10)
▶ crypto	39%(80%)	of 8990(4309)
▶ drivers	8%(56%)	of 608764(83669)
▶ fs	14%(61%)	of 407582(92009)
▶ include	100%(0%)	of 739(0)
▶ init	5%(29%)	of 338(49)
▼ io_uring	56%(72%)	of 5810(4540)
advise.c	91%(91%)	of 21(21)
alloc_cache.h	100%(0%)	of 1(0)
cancel.c	70%(70%)	of 96(96)
epoll.c	86%(93%)	of 14(13)
fdinfo.c	57%(57%)	of 80(80)
filetable.c	20%(67%)	of 63(18)
filetable.h	100%(0%)	of 1(0)
fs.c	80%(87%)	of 65(60)
io-wq.c	33%(70%)	of 554(258)
io-wq.h	100%(0%)	of 1(0)
io_uring.c	51%(74%)	of 1990(1367)
io_uring.h	100%(0%)	of 1(0)
kbuf.c	63%(65%)	of 231(222)
kbuf.h	100%(0%)	of 1(0)
msg_ring.c	29%(29%)	of 42(42)
net.c	58%(63%)	of 507(461)
nop.c	100%(100%)	of 2(2)
notif.c	29%(60%)	of 52(25)
notif.h	100%(0%)	of 1(0)
opdef.c	---	of 6
openclose.c	81%(81%)	of 99(99)
poll.c	73%(75%)	of 384(375)
refs.h	100%(0%)	of 1(0)
rsrc.c	68%(75%)	of 521(469)
rsrc.h	100%(0%)	of 1(0)
rw.c	74%(74%)	of 403(403)
slist.h	100%(0%)	of 1(0)
splice.c	29%(29%)	of 49(49)

```
944
945 int io_sendzc(struct io_kiocb *req, unsigned int issue_flags)
946 {
947     struct sockaddr_storage address;
1  948     struct io_ring_ctx *ctx = req->ctx;
949     struct io_sendzc *zc = io_kiocb_to_cmd(req, struct io_sendzc);
950     struct io_notif_slot *notif_slot;
951     struct io_kiocb *notif;
952     struct msghdr msg;
953     struct iovec iov;
954     struct socket *sock;
955     unsigned msg_flags;
956     int ret, min_ret = 0;
957
958     if (!(req->flags & REQ_F_POLLED) &&
1  959         (zc->flags & IORING_RECVSEND_POLL_FIRST))
960         return -EAGAIN;
961
1  962     if (issue_flags & IO_URING_F_UNLOCKED)
963         return -EAGAIN;
1  964     sock = sock_from_file(req->file);
965     if (unlikely(!sock))
966         return -ENOTSOCK;
967
968     notif_slot = io_get_notif_slot(ctx, zc->slot_idx);
969     if (!notif_slot)
970         return -EINVAL;
971     notif = io_get_notif(ctx, notif_slot);
972     if (!notif)
973         return -ENOMEM;
974
975     msg.msg_name = NULL;
976     msg.msg_control = NULL;
977     msg.msg_controllen = 0;
978     msg.msg_namelen = 0;
979
980     if (zc->addr) {
981         ret = move_addr_to_kernel(zc->addr, zc->addr_len, &address);
982         if (unlikely(ret < 0))
983             return ret;
984         msg.msg_name = (struct sockaddr *)&address;
985         msg.msg_namelen = zc->addr_len;
986     }
987 }
```

▼ io_uring	56%(72%)	▼ virtio	5%(52%)
advise.c	91%(91%)	virtio.c	4%(45%)
alloc_cache.h	100%(0%)	virtio_anchor.c	---
cancel.c	70%(70%)	virtio_balloon.c	---
epoll.c	86%(93%)	virtio_dma_buf.c	---
fdinfo.c	57%(57%)	virtio_input.c	---
		virtio_mem.c	---
		virtio_mmio.c	---
▼ infiniband	7%(58%)	virtio_pci_common.c	1%(100%)
▶ core	12%(57%)	virtio_pci_legacy.c	---
▶ hw/mlx4	---	virtio_pci_legacy_dev.c	---
▶ sw	2%(72%)	virtio_pci_modern.c	---
▶ ulp	1%(33%)	virtio_pci_modern_dev.c	---
		virtio_ring.c	18%(52%)
		virtio_vdpa.c	---
		▶ watchdog	---

Make your code well covered!

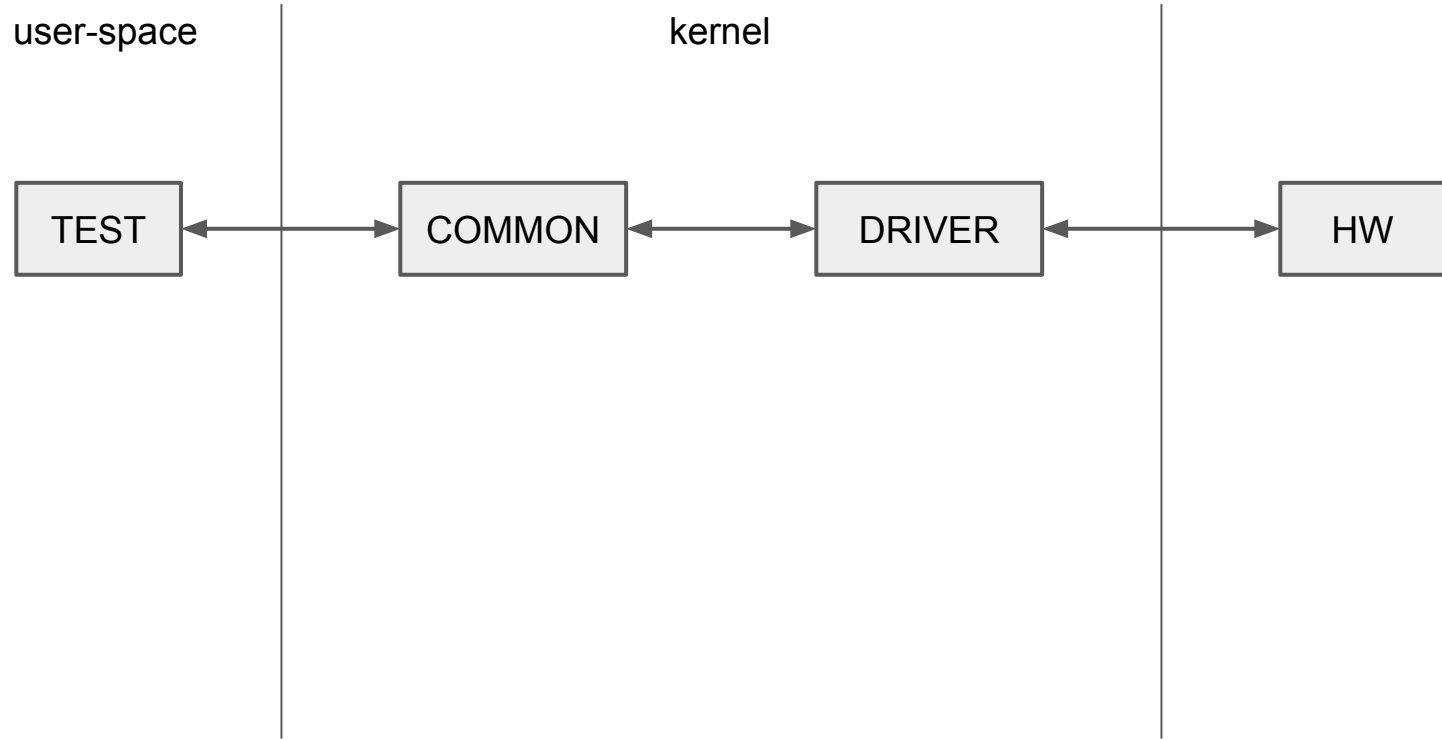
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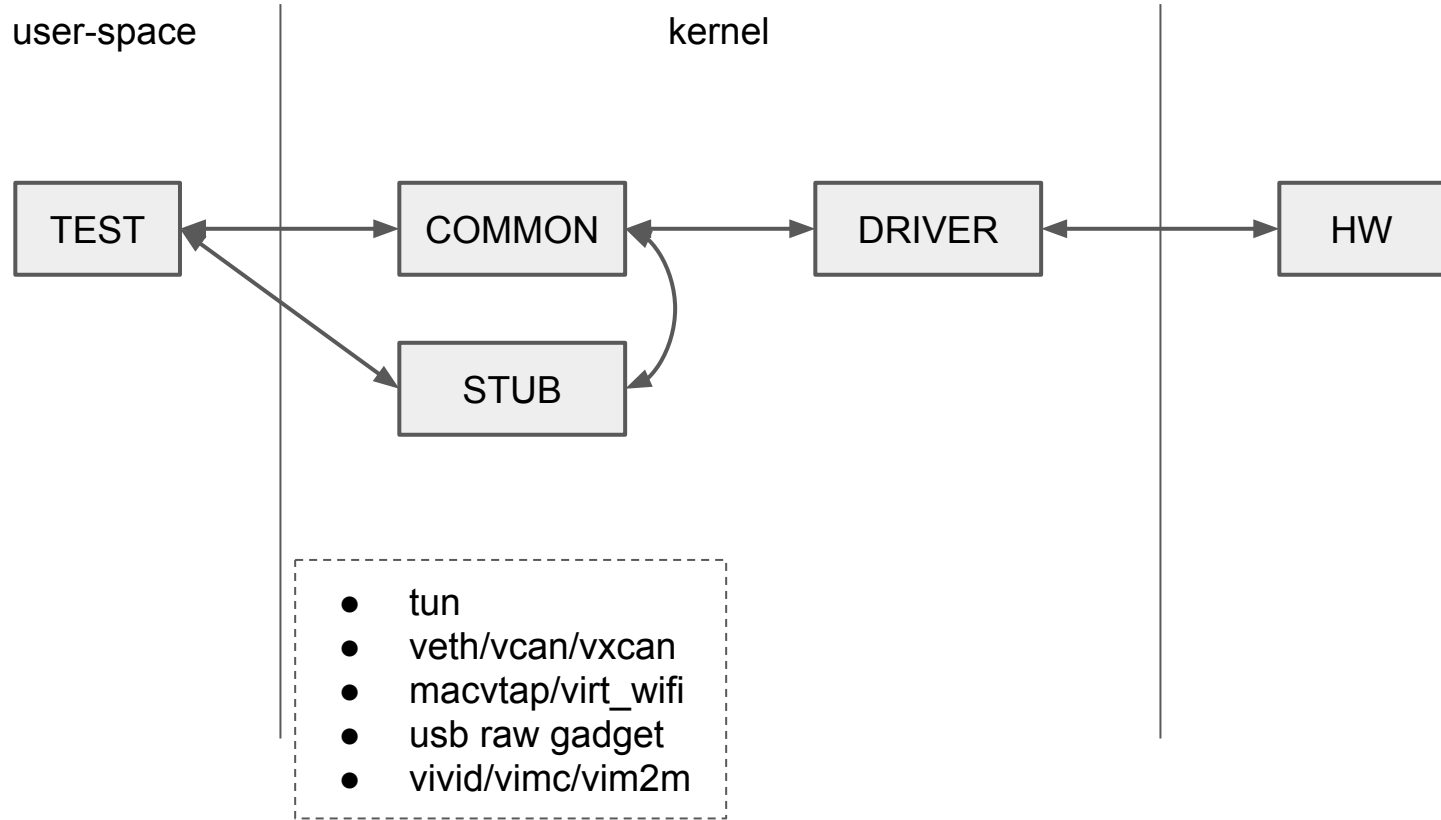
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- Fuzz-ability:
 - hardened against "crazy" inputs
 - isolated/reproducible with random inputs
 - reasonably easy to generate inputs automatically

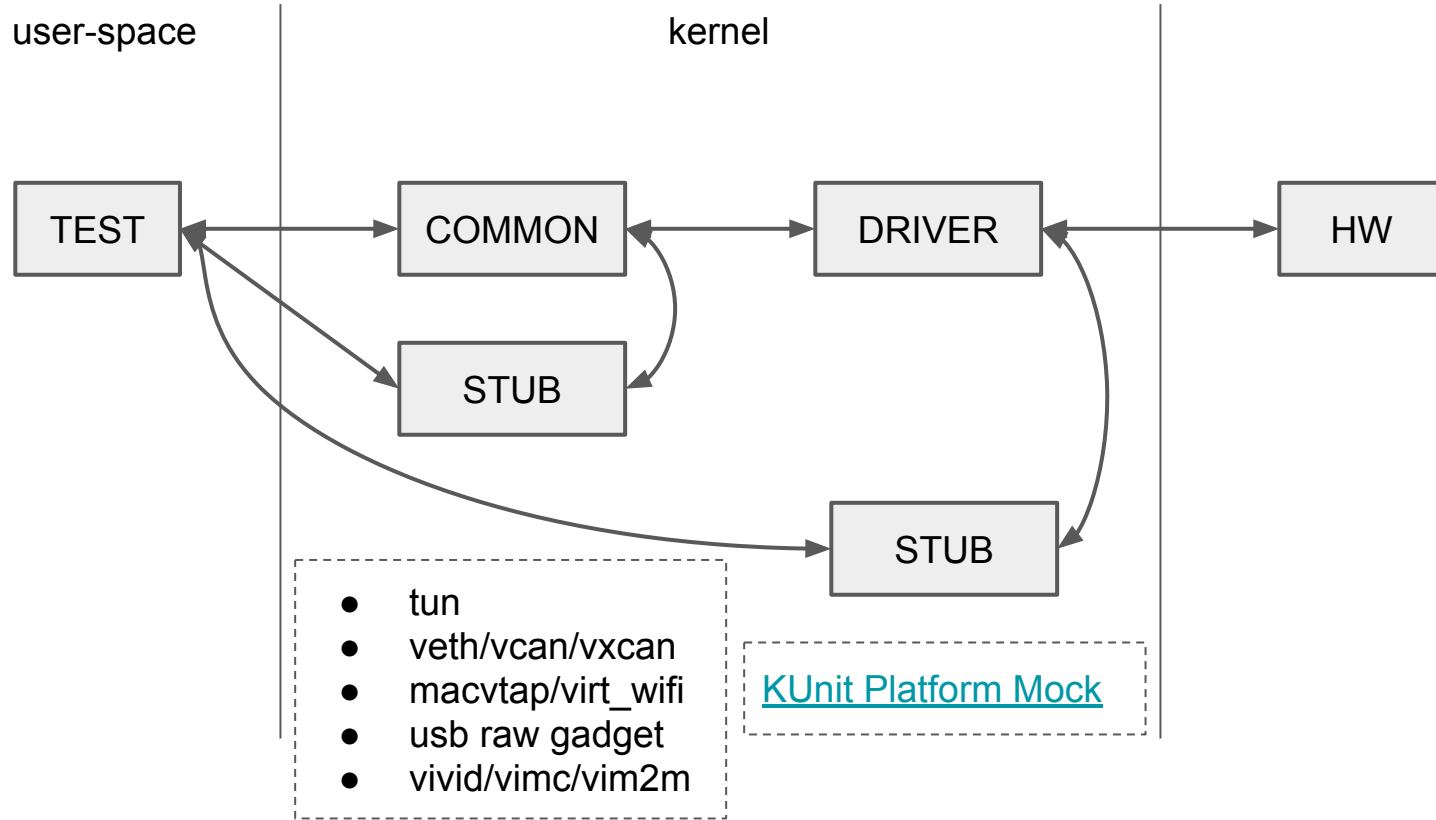
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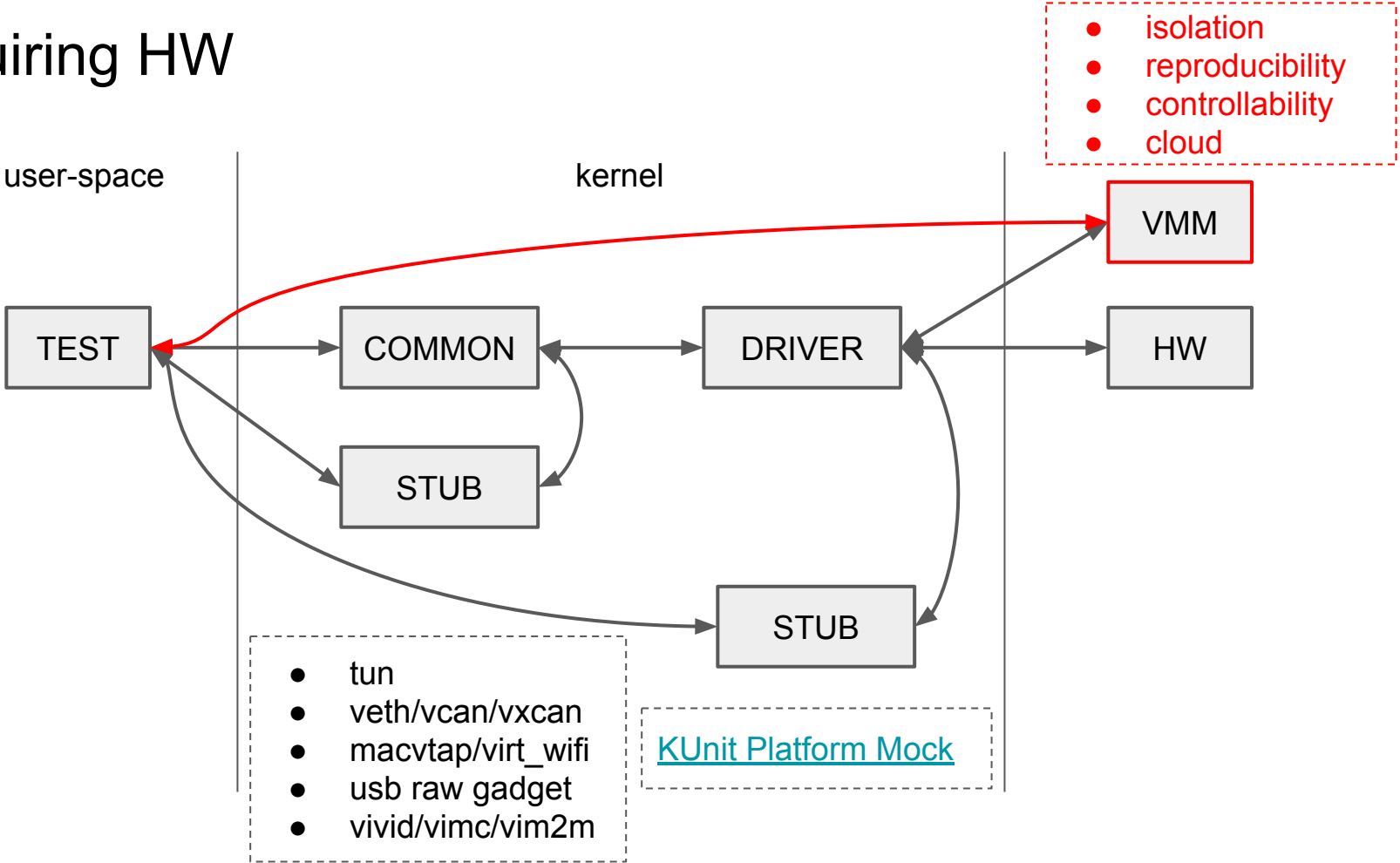
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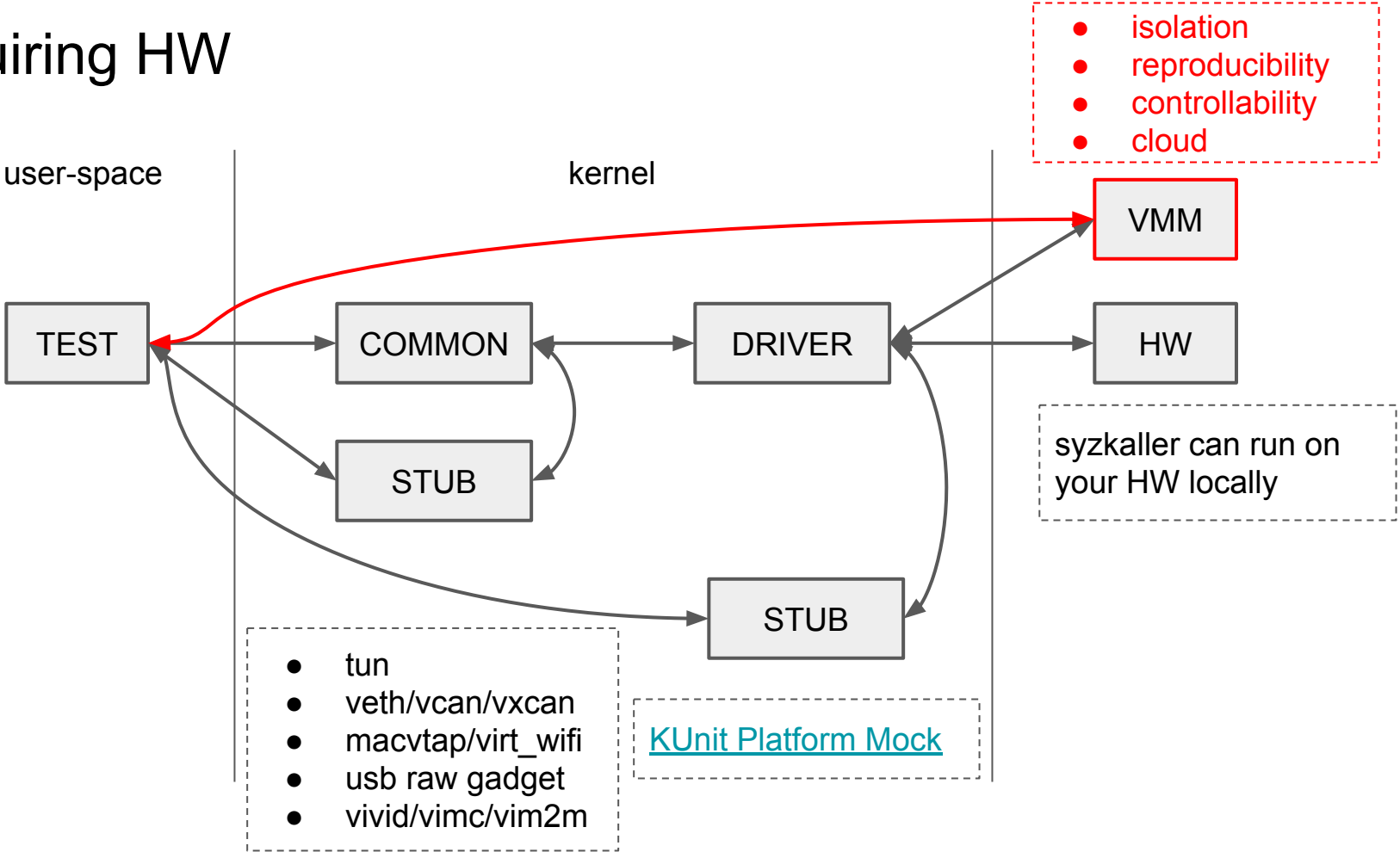
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Ideally:

- `ioctl(/debugfs/your_sim, CREATE_STUB) -> (stub_fd, dev_fd)`

Isolation, Reproducibility, Controllability, Automatability

- fresh transient instances (`memfd_create()` vs `shmem` id's)
- unreasonably restrictive assumptions (only `init_net`, [only 1 instance](#))
- kill-ability (can't kill fuse)
- global settings (`net.core.bpf_jit_enable`)
- hardened against "crazy" inputs (user-space bugs! disabled in testing)

WARN_ON

- do add **WARN_ON** for invariants/assumptions!
- allows to catch logical bugs (found >1000)
- good for documentation (you can trust!)
- CONFIG_FOO_DEBUG for expensive checks (VM_BUG_ON)
- document CONFIG_FOO_DEBUG (checks vs logging vs stubs)
- DO NOT use WARN_ON for bad inputs

UAPI descriptions ([syzlang](#))

```
open(file ptr[in, filename], flags flags[open_flags], mode flags[open_mode]) fd
```

```
pipe(pipefd ptr[out, pipefd])
```

```
close(fd fd)
```

```
open_flags = O_WRONLY, O_RDWR, ...
```

```
pipefd {
```

```
    rfd fd
```

```
    wfd fd
```

```
}
```

Stick to standard patterns!

Linked lists

```
struct v4l2_clip {  
    struct v4l2_rect          c;  
    struct v4l2_clip __user *next;  
};
```

Compat handling

```
static int get_v412_window32(struct v412_window __user *p64,
                            struct v412_window32 __user *p32,
                            void __user *aux_buf, u32 aux_space)
{
    struct v412_clip32 __user *uclips;
    struct v412_clip __user *kclips;
    compat_caddr_t p;
    u32 clipcount;

    if (laccess_ok(p32, sizeof(*p32)) ||
        copy_in_user(&p64->w, &p32->w, sizeof(p32->w)) ||
        assign_in_user(&p64->field, &p32->field) ||
        assign_in_user(&p64->chromakey, &p32->chromakey) ||
        assign_in_user(&p64->global_alpha, &p32->global_alpha) ||
        get_user(clipcount, &p32->clipcount) ||
        put_user(clipcount, &p64->clipcount))
        return -EFAULT;
    if (clipcount > 2048)
        return -EINVAL;
    if (!clipcount)
        return put_user(NULL, &p64->clips);

    if (get_user(p, &p32->clips))
        return -EFAULT;
    uclips = compat_ptr(p);
    if (aux_space < clipcount * sizeof(*kclips))
        return -EFAULT;
    kclips = aux_buf;
    if (put_user(kclips, &p64->clips))
        return -EFAULT;

    while (clipcount-- > 0) {
        if (copy_in_user(&kclips->c, &uclips->c, sizeof(uclips->c)))
            return -EFAULT;
        if (put_user(clipcount ? kclips + 1 : NULL, &kclips->next))
            return -EFAULT;
        uclips++;
        kclips++;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

```
static int put_v412_window32(struct v412_window __user *p64,
                             struct v412_window32 __user *p32)
{
    struct v412_clip __user *kclips;
    struct v412_clip32 __user *uclips;
    compat_caddr_t p;
    u32 clipcount;

    if (copy_in_user(&p32->w, &p64->w, sizeof(p64->w)) ||
        assign_in_user(&p32->field, &p64->field) ||
        assign_in_user(&p32->chromakey, &p64->chromakey) ||
        assign_in_user(&p32->global_alpha, &p64->global_alpha) ||
        get_user(clipcount, &p64->clipcount) ||
        put_user(clipcount, &p32->clipcount))
        return -EFAULT;
    if (!clipcount)
        return 0;

    if (get_user(kclips, &p64->clips))
        return -EFAULT;
    if (get_user(p, &p32->clips))
        return -EFAULT;
    uclips = compat_ptr(p);
    while (clipcount-- > 0) {
        if (copy_in_user(&uclips->c, &kclips->c, sizeof(uclips->c)))
            return -EFAULT;
        uclips++;
        kclips++;
    }
    return 0;
}
```

CVE-2017-13166

[\[PATCH\] v4l2-compat-ioc132.c: fix security bug in compat ioc132](#)

... the 64-bit ioc132 expects all pointers to point to user space memory. As a workaround, **set_fs(KERNEL_DS)** is called to temporarily disable this extra safety check and allow kernel pointers. However, **this might introduce a security vulnerability**: The result of the 32-bit to 64-bit conversion is writeable by user space because the output buffer has been allocated via `compat_alloc_user_space()`. **A malicious user space** process could then manipulate pointers inside this output buffer, and due to the previous `set_fs(KERNEL_DS)` call, functions like `get_user()` or `put_user()` no longer prevent kernel memory access.

User pointers as IDs

```
io_submit(..., struct iocb __user * iocbp);  
io_cancel(..., struct iocb __user * iocbp); // must match io_submit pointer
```


TODO: this sucks

```
SYSCALL_DEFINE3(io_cancel, ..., obj, ...) {  
    ...  
    spin_lock_irq(&ctx->ctx_lock);  
    /* TODO: use a hash or array, this sucks. */  
    list_for_each_entry(kiocb, &ctx->active_reqs, ki_list) {  
        if (kiocb->ki_res.obj == obj)  
            break;  
    }  
    spin_unlock_irq(&ctx->ctx_lock);  
}
```

Consistency

```
struct mif6ctl {  
  
...  
  
    __u16    mif6c_pifi;        /* the index of the physical IF */  
  
...  
  
};  
  
...  
    dev = dev_get_by_index(net, vifc->mif6c_pifi);
```

Device index is __u32 everywhere else!

NETFILTER

TL;DR; single blob in a very complex format:

- parallel arrays
- cross-references
- size of array with variable-size-elements
- derived info
- ...

NETFILTER

```
netfilter: add back stackpointer size checks
netfilter: x_tables: fix int overflow in xt_alloc_table_info()
netfilter: x_tables: avoid out-of-bounds reads in xt_request_find
netfilter: x_tables: initialise match/target check parameter_struct
netfilter: x_tables: avoid stack-out-of-bounds read in xt_copy_counte
netfilter: x_tables: add and use xt check_proc_name
netfilter: ebtables: CONFIG_COMPAT: don't trust userland offsets
netfilter: ebtables: handle_string from userspace with care
netfilter: bridge: ebt_among: add missing match size checks
netfilter: bridge: ebt_among: add more missing match size checks
netfilter: x_tables: fix 4 pointer leaks to userspace
netfilter: ip_tables: fix infoleak to userspace
netfilter: arp_tables: fix infoleak to userspace
ipv4: netfilter: ip_tables: fix information leak to userland
ipv4: netfilter: arp_tables: fix information leak to userland
...
```

Human-oriented chatty protocols

Currently:

```
int fd1 = open("/dev/ptmx", O_RDWR);
```

```
int ptyno;
```

```
ioctl(fd1, TIOCGPTN, &ptyno);
```

```
char buf[128];
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sprintf(buf, "/dev/pts/%d", ptyno);
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```
int fd2 = open(buf, O_RDWR);
```

Human-oriented chatty protocols

Currently:

```
int fd1 = open("/dev/ptmx", O_RDWR);
```

```
int ptyno;
```

```
ioctl(fd1, TIOCGPTN, &ptyno);
```

```
char buf[128];
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```
sprintf(buf, "/dev/pts/%d", ptyno);
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```
int fd2 = open(buf, O_RDWR);
```

Ideally:

```
int fd1 = open("/dev/ptmx", O_RDWR);
```

```
int ptyfd[2]
```

```
ioctl(fd, TIOCGPTN, ptyfd);
```

UAPI

- stick to existing patterns
- be consistent with existing code
- don't use convoluted formats, derived info
- be nice to machines
- automatic interface extraction/inference
- write syzkaller descriptions with the code

Recap

- Allow testing in VMs
- Provide fresh transient instances
- Properly use WARN_ON
- Stick to standard UAPI patterns

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Thank you!

Q&A

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