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sched/eevdf: Fix se->slice being set to U64_MAX and resulting crash

[Upstream commit [bbce3de72be56e4b5f68924b7da9630cc89aa1a8](#)]

There is a code path in `dequeue_entities()` that can set the slice of a `sched_entity` to `U64_MAX`, which sometimes results in a crash.

The offending case is when `dequeue_entities()` is called to dequeue a delayed group entity, and then the entity's parent's dequeue is delayed. In that case:

1. In the `if (entity_is_task(se))` else block at the beginning of `dequeue_entities()`, slice is set to `cfs_rq_min_slice(group_cfs_rq(se))`. If the entity was delayed, then it has no queued tasks, so `cfs_rq_min_slice()` returns `U64_MAX`.
2. The first `for_each_sched_entity()` loop dequeues the entity.
3. If the entity was its parent's only child, then the next iteration tries to dequeue the parent.
4. If the parent's dequeue needs to be delayed, then it breaks from the first `for_each_sched_entity()` loop `_without` updating `slice_`.
5. The second `for_each_sched_entity()` loop sets the parent's `->slice` to the saved slice, which is still `U64_MAX`.

This throws off subsequent calculations with potentially catastrophic results. A manifestation we saw in production was:

6. In `update_entity_lag()`, `se->slice` is used to calculate limit, which ends up as a huge negative number.
7. limit is used in `se->vlag = clamp(vlag, -limit, limit)`. Because limit is negative, `vlag > limit`, so `se->vlag` is set to the same huge negative number.
8. In `place_entity()`, `se->vlag` is scaled, which overflows and results in another huge (positive or negative) number.
9. The adjusted lag is subtracted from `se->vruntime`, which increases or decreases `se->vruntime` by a huge number.
10. `pick_eevdf()` calls `entity_eligible()/vruntime_eligible()`, which incorrectly returns false because the `vruntime` is so far from the other `vruntimes` on the queue, causing the `(vruntime - cfs_rq->min_vruntime) * load` calculation to overflow.
11. Nothing appears to be eligible, so `pick_eevdf()` returns NULL.
12. `pick_next_entity()` tries to dereference the return value of `pick_eevdf()` and crashes.

Dumping the `cfs_rq` states from the core dumps with `drgn` showed tell-tale huge `vruntime` ranges and bogus `vlag` values, and I also traced `se->slice` being set to `U64_MAX` on live systems (which was usually "benign" since

the rest of the runqueue needed to be in a particular state to crash).

Fix it in `dequeue_entities()` by always setting `slice` from the first non-empty `cfs_rq`.

Fixes: [aef6987d8954](#) ("sched/eevdf: Propagate `min_slice` up the cgroup hierarchy")

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Diffstat

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--- a/kernel/sched/fair.c

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@@ -7083,9 +7083,6 @@ static int dequeue_entities(struct rq *rq, struct sched_entity *se, int flags)
     h_nr_idle = task_has_idle_policy(p);
     if (task_sleep || task_delayed || !se->sched_delayed)
         h_nr_runnable = 1;
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-    } else {
-        cfs_rq = group_cfs_rq(se);
-        slice = cfs_rq_min_slice(cfs_rq);
-    }

     for_each_sched_entity(se) {
@@ -7095,6 +7092,7 @@ static int dequeue_entities(struct rq *rq, struct sched_entity *se, int flags)
         if (p && &p->se == se)
             return -1;

+        slice = cfs_rq_min_slice(cfs_rq);
+        break;
     }
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