# 이해력 XDP For the Rest of Us

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## Motivation for this talk

- Follow Up on <u>NetDev 2.1 tutorial/talk</u>
  - Less time, focus on updates and new tools from XDP ecosystem
- Still motivated to:
  - Demystify XDP and eBPF
  - Help you understand and consume this new technology

# What will you learn?

What do you get out of this presentation

# What will you learn?

- Bring you up-to-date with the XDP ecosystem
  - highlight subset of recent changes
- We want you in the driver's seat
  - fast, user-programmable networking
- Teach you about some new tools
- Spark new ideas for XDP+BPF use-cases
  - Going beyond DDoS and (bouncing) Load-Balancer use-cases

# What will you NOT learn!

- Getting Started with eBPF and XDP
  - Is covered in <u>Netdev 2.1 talk</u>, like:
    - Compiler toolchain LLVM / clang
    - Compiling kernel/samples/bpf
      - Source file split foo\_kern.c + foo\_user.c
      - ELF-object containing map-definitions,
        - $\circ$  How handled by BPF loader code
        - Invoking appropriate BPF-syscalls

#### Want to understand drawing?

• <u>Watch Netdev 2.1 talk</u> on YouTube ;-)



# The XDP technology

A new era with user-programmable networking

# Framing: The XDP technology

- XDP a new, lower layer in Linux network stack
  - Programmable hook in drivers can run before allocating full SKB
  - New building block for Linux kernel networking
- Operate at same "layer" as bypass solutions (like DPDK)
  - Operate at same speeds as bypass solutions (low number of CPU instructions per packet)
  - Raw-data access to (Ethernet) frame (before SKB exists)
  - An in-kernel fast-path (XDP core in Linux kernel v4.8)
- The XDP programming language is eBPF
  - eBPF is bigger than XDP, complete compiler toolchain
  - XDP just one-hook using/invoking eBPF
- Real power comes from using more bpf-hooks combined
  - From userspace: Controlling XDP/BPF via maps

# XDP + eBPF = User programmable networking

- XDP and eBPF really good combination
  - New era in user programmable networking
- Kernel side: responsible for moving packet fast
- BPF side: maximum flexibility and opt-in
  - User-programmable protocols and policies
  - Administrators can quickly implement something
    - No need to upgrade kernel
  - Only run program code needed for use-case
    - No accumulative feature bloat
- In-kernel solution
  - Maintained by the Linux kernel community
  - New XDP program deployed via atomic swap operation

## XDP interface: the basics

- What can XDP do?
  - Can read and modify packet contents
  - Can push and pull headers
- XDP interface: BPF program returns an action-code
  - XDP\_DROP very fast drop by recycling (DDoS mitigation)
  - XDP\_**PASS** pass possibly modified packet to network stack
  - XDP\_**TX** Transmit packet back out same interface with or without packet modification
  - XDP\_ABORTED also drop, but indicate error condition (catch via tracepoint)
  - XDP\_**REDIRECT** Transmit out other NIC or steer via maps
- All BPF programs interact via
  - Helper function that can lookup or modify kernel state
  - Shared maps that userspace and other bpf-programs can use to track state

# Designed to cooperate with network stack

- How to handle new protocol/encapsulation
  - That the kernel doesn't know yet?
  - Without upgrading the running kernel!
- On RX:
  - XDP can adjust packet headers to something kernel understand
    - E.g. steer into VLAN devices
  - XDP can add metadata to data buffer than can be used by other eBPF programs
- On TX:
  - BPF can add back (encapsulation) headers
    - BPF hooks in Traffic Control or Socket filter
    - Restore packet-data based on shared BPF-map, VLAN device or SKB marking

# The XDP ecosystem

Where should you start?!?

# **XDP** ecosystem

- Mailing lists:
  - XDP newbies join: xdp-newbies@vger.kernel.org
  - Kernel devel-side: <u>netdev@vger.kernel.org</u>
  - BPF devel-side: iovisor-dev@lists.iovisor.org
- Sample code available:
  - Kernel git-tree: <u>samples/bpf/</u>
  - Github: prototype-kernel under samples/bpf/
  - IOvisor <u>BCC</u> project (if you prefer Python)
- Documentation:
  - prototype-kernel.readthedocs.io plan integrate into kernel.org/doc
  - Cilium: "BPF and XDP Reference Guide"

# Recent changes of interest

Since last NetDev 2.1 (April 2017, Montreal)
 Only covering constrained subset

# Recent changes: BPF introspection

- Visibility into running BPF programs
  - Kernel v4.13: BPF ID's for loaded progs and maps
  - can be accessed and dumped from userspace
- bpftool
  - Part of Kernel tree: tools/bpf/bpftool/
  - Allows inspection and simple modification of BPF objects
  - Easy to list all programs currently loaded
- xdp\_monitor
  - Part of kernel tree: <u>samples/bpf</u>
  - BPF prog monitoring XDP via tracepoints
  - Helps debugging XDP



# Is an XDP program loaded?

\$ ip link show

2: enp1s0f0: <BROADCAST,MULTICAST,UP,LOWER\_UP> mtu 1500 xdp qdisc mq [...] link/ether 00:0a:f7:8d:ab:60 brd ff:ff:ff:ff:ff:ff prog/xdp id 4

### bpftool

#### # bpftool

```
OBJECT := { prog | map }
OPTIONS := { {-j|--json} [{-p|--pretty}] }
```

#### bpftool

```
# bpftool map help
Usage: bpftool map show [MAP]
bpftool map dump MAP
bpftool map update MAP key BYTES value VALUE [UPDATE_FLAGS]
bpftool map lookup MAP key BYTES
bpftool map getnext MAP [key BYTES]
bpftool map delete MAP key BYTES
bpftool map pin MAP FILE
bpftool map help
```

```
MAP := { id MAP_ID | pinned FILE }
PROGRAM := { id PROG_ID | pinned FILE | tag PROG_TAG }
VALUE := { BYTES | MAP | PROGRAM }
UPDATE_FLAGS := { any | exist | noexist }
OPTIONS := { {-j|--json} [{-p|--pretty}] }
```

### bpftool

```
# bpftool program help
Usage: bpftool prog show [PROG]
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    bpftool prog dump jited PROG [{ file FILE | opcodes }]
    bpftool prog pin PROG FILE
    bpftool prog help
```

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PROG := { id PROG_ID | pinned FILE | tag PROG_TAG }
OPTIONS := { {-j|--json} [{-p|--pretty}] }
```

### Running xdp ddos01 blacklist

# xdp ddos01 blacklist --dev enp1s0f0 Documentation: XDP: DDoS protection via IPv4 blacklist

This program loads the XDP eBPF program into the kernel. Use the cmdline tool for add/removing source IPs to the blacklist and read statistics.

- Attached to device:enpls0f0 (ifindex:2)
- Export bpf-map:blacklist
- Export bpf-map:verdict cnt
- Export bpf-map:port blacklist
- Export bpf-map:port blacklist drop count tcp
- Export bpf-map:port blacklist drop count udp to file:/sys/fs/bpf/ddos port blacklist count udp blacklist modify() IP:198.18.50.3 key:0x33212C6 blacklist port modify() dport:80 key:0x50

- file:/sys/fs/bpf/ddos blacklist
- file:/sys/fs/bpf/ddos blacklist stat verdict
- file:/sys/fs/bpf/ddos port blacklist
- to file:/sys/fs/bpf/ddos port blacklist count tcp

### bpftool inspecting xdp\_ddos01\_blacklist

```
# bpftool prog show
4: xdp tag 575d0fd6aa6dde66
       loaded at Oct 25/15:04 uid 0
       xlated 864B jited 566B memlock 4096B map ids 5,6,7,8,9
# bpftool map show
5: percpu hash flags 0x1
       key 4B value 8B max entries 100000 memlock 14897152B
6: percpu array flags 0x0
       key 4B value 8B max entries 4 memlock 4096B
7: percpu array flags 0x0
       key 4B value 4B max entries 65536 memlock 4722688B
8: percpu array flags 0x0
       key 4B value 8B max entries 65536 memlock 4722688B
9: percpu array flags 0x0
       key 4B value 8B max entries 65536 memlock 4722688B
```

#### bpftool inspecting eBPF maps

# bpftool map dump id 5

Key:

c6 12 32 03

value (CPU 00): 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 value (CPU 01): 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 value (CPU 02): 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 value (CPU 03): 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 value (CPU 04): 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 value (CPU 05): 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 value (CPU 06): 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 value (CPU 07): 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 Found 1 element # printf "%d.%d.%d.%d\n" 0xc6 0x12 0x32 0x03 198.18.50.3

#### bpftool now with JSON output

#### # bpftool map --json dump id 5

[{"key":["0xc6","0x12","0x32","0x03"],"values":[{"cpu":0,"value":["0x00","

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### bpftool now with JSON output (cont)

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### Load another XDP program on another interface

# xdp\_monitor as a debugging tool

| # ./xdp_monitorstats |           |          |                    |                |  |  |  |  |
|----------------------|-----------|----------|--------------------|----------------|--|--|--|--|
| ACTION               | result    | pps      | pps-human-readable | measure-period |  |  |  |  |
| XDP_REDIRECT         | Success   | 31533    | 31,533             | 2.000119       |  |  |  |  |
| XDP_REDIRECT         | Error     | 0        | 0                  | 2.000121       |  |  |  |  |
| XDP_ABORTED          | Exception | 13274271 | 13,274,271         | 2.000121       |  |  |  |  |

Above results from XDP\_REDIRECT+ cpumap:

- Misconfig resulted in all UDP (pktgen) traffic drop via XDP\_ABORTED Cmd: # xdp\_redirect\_cpu --dev ixgbe1 --prog 3 --cpu 2
- TCP request-response traffic flowing to another CPU (31Kpps) Cmd: # netperf -H 172.16.0.2 -t TCP\_RR

# xdp\_redirect\_cpu + cpumap output

Program running while xdp\_monitor was inspecting system

| # ./xdp_redirect_cpudev ixgbe1prog 3cpu 2 |        |            |            |            |              |  |  |  |  |
|---|--------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|
| Running XDP/eBPF prog num:3               |        |            |            |            |              |  |  |  |  |
| XDP-cpumap                                | CPU:to | pps        | drop-pps   | extra-info |              |  |  |  |  |
| XDP-RX                                    | 0      | 13,273,868 | 0          | 13,273,868 | cpu-dest/err |  |  |  |  |
| XDP-RX                                    | 4      | 31,530     | 0          | 0          | cpu-dest/err |  |  |  |  |
| XDP-RX                                    | total  | 13,305,399 | 0          |            |              |  |  |  |  |
| cpumap-enqueue                            | 4:2    | 31,530     | 0          | 1.00       | bulk-average |  |  |  |  |
| cpumap-enqueue                            | sum:2  | 31,530     | 0          | 1.00       | bulk-average |  |  |  |  |
| cpumap_kthread                            | 2      | 31,530     | 0          | 31,530     | sched        |  |  |  |  |
| cpumap_kthread                            | total  | 31,530     | 0          | 31,530     | sched-sum    |  |  |  |  |
| redirect_err                              | total  | 0          | 0          |            |              |  |  |  |  |
| xdp_exception                             | total  | 0          | 13,273,869 |            |              |  |  |  |  |

## Great tools, but "patches accepted"

- bpftool
  - Decode/pretty-print more values stored in maps
  - Inspect BPF progs before loaded (compare tag to running programs)
  - Accumulate results in percpu maps (examples use them as counters)
- xdp\_monitor
  - Use as a framework/example for more application development
  - JSON output
  - --oneshot support to gather current stats rather than running interactively

# Recent changes: XDP metadata for BPF

- XDP metadata: generic and flexible
  - Communication channel between XDP-hook and TC-hooks
  - XDP dynamic reserve part of packet headroom
    - Max 32-Bytes avail, BPF prog choose meaning
  - Later BPF hooks (e.g. TC) load prog that knows meaning
    - Can access, extract and populate SKB members,
    - e.g. skb->mark
- Provide way for XDP to cooperate with network stack
  - By saving info in xdp\_buff->data\_meta area

# Recent changes: **XDP\_REDIRECT**

- New XDP return code XDP\_REDIRECT
  - Innovative part: Redirect using maps (use bpf\_redirect\_map())
- Redirect via maps:
  - Introduces RX bulking, via flush operation after napi\_poll
  - Dynamic adaptive bulking
    - Method of adding bulking without introducing additional latency
    - Bulk only frames available in driver NAPI poll loop
- New map types for redirect
  - devmap BPF\_MAP\_TYPE\_DEVMAP
    - Bulk effect via delaying HW tail/doorbell (like xmit\_more)
  - **cpumap** BPF\_MAP\_TYPE\_CPUMAP
    - Bulk 8 frame to remote CPU, amortize cross CPU cost
    - Provide CPU separation at XDP "layer"

# Use-cases

Even new use-cases you did not realize were possible...

## Well known use-cases

- DDoS protection
- Load-balancing router (Facebook use-case)
- Forwarding between containers (Cilium use-case)
- Rapid prototyping of protocol extensions

# Fix NIC and existing kernel limitations

- Handling protocols currently unknown to kernel
  - Kernel upgrade not always easy or possible
    - As described earlier XDP+BPF can help
    - BUT even harder to upgrade hardware NIC
  - NIC hardware cannot parse protocol
    - Only safe option for hardware is delivery to single RX-queue
    - Single core cannot scale to handle all traffic
- XDP\_REDIRECT via cpumap helps
  - Allow redistributing load on CPUs
  - Benchmarks (ixgbe) shows it scales to 11 Mpps per RX CPU

# Enable XDP offload of routing stack

- Functions like IPv4 forward could be handled by XDP
  - See proposal for XDP sample (<u>xdp\_router\_ipv4</u>) implementing IPv4 forward
- Use normal Linux tools to change Routing and Neighbor tables
  - Maintain BPF shadow maps of routing and ARP table
  - Subscribe to changes via rtnetlink updates
- Use XDP\_REDIRECT to rewrite packets and forward between known destinations

# The End

Are we out of time yet?

# **XDP** Summary

- In-kernel fast-path solution
- Programmable networking inside the network stack!
- Lower maintenance and deployment cost as it is part of the Linux Kernel
- Does not take over NIC hardware and isolate it from the network stack

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