# Shared Memory Based JITLink Memory Manager

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#### **JITLink**

- JITLink is a Just-In-Time linker.
  - It takes multiple object code units and links them together.
  - It constructs the result directly in memory.
  - The resulting code is usually immediately run.
- It uses a LinkGraph as memory representation.
  - It consists of nodes like Adressable, Block, Symbol.
  - Relocations are represented by edges.
  - Sections consists of symbols and blocks.
- It can work with two different processes.
  - An executor process that is running the resultant code.
  - A controller process that performs the linking and controls the executor.
  - The communication happens through Executor Process Control, an RPC scheme.

## Memory management

- Memory allocation is performed using the JITLinkMemoryManager interface.
- It has 3 steps
  - Allocate
    - Reserves address space
  - Finalize
    - Copies link result from working memory to executor
    - Runs initialisation actions
  - Deallocate
    - Runs deinitialization actions
    - Deallocate memory
- Intialization and deinitialization actions are just functions that will be executed in the context of the target process.

When multiple processes are involved, this is implemented with the **EPCGenericJITLinkMemoryManager** and **SimpleExecutorMemoryManager**.

## The Executor Process side

```
31 /// Simple page-based allocator.
                                                                             24 Expected<ExecutorAddr> SimpleExecutorMemoryManager::allocate(uint64 t Size) {
32 class SimpleExecutorMemoryManager: public ExecutorBootstrapService {
                                                                                  std::error code EC:
33 public:
                                                                                  auto MB = svs::Memorv::allocateMappedMemorv(
     virtual ~SimpleExecutorMemoryManager():
                                                                                       Size. nullptr. svs::Memorv::MF READ | svs::Memorv::MF WRITE. EC):
                                                                                  return ExecutorAddr::fromPtr(MB.base());
     Expected<ExecutorAddr> allocate(uint64 t Size);
                                                                             34 }
    Error finalize(tpctvpes::FinalizeRequest &FR):
    Error deallocate(const std::vector<ExecutorAddr> &Bases);
                                                                             36 Error SimpleExecutorMemoryManager::finalize(tpctypes::FinalizeRequest &FR) {
73 struct SegFinalizeRequest {
                                                                                   // Copy content and apply permissions.
    WireProtectionFlags Prot:
                                                                                   for (auto &Seg : FR.Segments) {
     ExecutorAddr Addr:
                                                                                    char *Mem = Seg.Addr.toPtr<char *>();
    uint64 t Size;
                                                                                    memcpy(Mem, Seg.Content.data(), Seg.Content.size());
    ArrayRef<char> Content;
                                                                                    memset(Mem + Seg.Content.size(), 0. Seg.Size - Seg.Content.size());
78 };
                                                                                    assert(Seg.Size ≤ std::numeric limits<size t>::max());
79
                                                                                     if (auto EC = sys:: Memory:: protectMappedMemory(
80 struct FinalizeRequest {
                                                                                            {Mem, static cast<size t>(Seg.Size)},
     std::vector<SegFinalizeRequest> Segments;
                                                                                            tpctvpes::fromWireProtectionFlags(Seg.Prot)))
     shared::AllocActions Actions:
                                                                                       return BailOut(errorCodeToError(EC)):
83 };
                                                                                     if (Seg.Prot & tpctvpes::WPF Exec)
                                                                                       svs::Memory::InvalidateInstructionCache(Mem. Seg.Size):
```

- Implemented using a bootstrap service.
- 3 primary functions: allocate, finalize and deallocate
- Deallocation actions are also transferred during finalization.

#### The Controller Process

The controller process side is implemented in EPCGenericJITLinkMemoryManager.

It mainly consists of RPC calls to the methods of SimpleExecutorMemoryManager.

```
void finalize(OnFinalizedFunction OnFinalize) override {
  tpctvpes::FinalizeRequest FR:
  for (auto &KV : Segs) {
    assert(KV.second.ContentSize ≤ std::numeric limits<size t>::max());
    FR.Segments.push back(tpctypes::SegFinalizeRequest{
        tpctvpes::toWireProtectionFlags(
            toSysMemoryProtectionFlags(KV.first.getMemProt())),
        KV.second.Addr.
        alignTo(KV.second.ContentSize + KV.second.ZeroFillSize,
                Parent.EPC.getPageSize()).
        {KV.second.WorkingMem, static cast<size t>(KV.second.ContentSize)}});
  // Transfer allocation actions.
  std::swap(FR.Actions, G.allocActions());
  Parent.EPC.callSPSWrapperAsync<
      rt::SPSSimpleExecutorMemoryManagerFinalizeSignature>(
      Parent.SAs.Finalize,
      [OnFinalize = std::move(OnFinalize), AllocAddr = this→AllocAddr](
          Error SerializationErr, Error FinalizeErr) mutable {
        // FIXME: Release abandoned alloc.
        if (SerializationErr) {
          cantFail(std::move(FinalizeErr));
          OnFinalize(std::move(SerializationErr));
        } else if (FinalizeErr)
          OnFinalize(std::move(FinalizeErr));
        else
          OnFinalize(FinalizedAlloc(AllocAddr));
      Parent.SAs.Allocator, std::move(FR));
```

# EPC implementation under the hood

```
int FromExecutor[2]:
                                                                                      61 int openListener(std::string Host, std::string PortStr) {
                                                                                           addrinfo Hints{}:
     pid t ChildPID;
                                                                                           Hints.ai family = AF INET:
                                                                                           Hints.ai socktype = SOCK STREAM;
     // Create pipes to/from the executor..
                                                                                           Hints.ai flags = AI PASSIVE:
840
     if (pipe(ToExecutor) \neq 0 || pipe(FromExecutor) \neq 0)
       return make error<StringError>("Unable to create pipe for executor",
                                                                                           addrinfo *AI:
                                       inconvertibleErrorCode()):
                                                                                           if (int EC = getaddrinfo(nullptr, PortStr.c str(), &Hints, &AI)) {
                                                                                             errs() << "Error setting up bind address: " << gai strerror(EC) << "\n";
     ChildPID = fork();
                                                                                             exit(1):
     if (ChildPID = 0) {
       // In the child...
                                                                                           // Create a socket from first addrinfo structure returned by getaddrinfo.
                                                                                           int SockFD:
        // Close the parent ends of the pipes
                                                                                           if ((SockFD = socket(AI\rightarrowai family, AI\rightarrowai socktype, AI\rightarrowai protocol)) < 0) {
       close(ToExecutor[WriteEnd]):
                                                                                             errs() << "Error creating socket: " << std::strerror(errno) << "\n":
        close(FromExecutor[ReadEnd]):
                                                                                             exit(1):
854
        // Execute the child process.
                                                                                      84
        std::unique ptr<char[]> ExecutorPath, FDSpecifier;
                                                                                           // Avoid "Address already in use" errors.
                                                                                           const int Yes = 1:
         ExecutorPath = std::make unique<char[]>(OutOfProcessExecutor.size() + 1); 87
                                                                                           if (setsockopt(SockFD, SOL SOCKET, SO REUSEADDR, &Yes, sizeof(int)) = -1) {
         strcpy(ExecutorPath.get(), OutOfProcessExecutor.data());
                                                                                             errs() << "Error calling setsockopt: " << std::strerror(errno) << "\n";
                                                                                             exit(1);
         std::string FDSpecifierStr("filedescs=");
                                                                                      90
         FDSpecifierStr += utostr(ToExecutor[ReadEnd]);
         FDSpecifierStr += '.';
                                                                                           // Bind the socket to the desired port.
         FDSpecifierStr += utostr(FromExecutor[WriteEnd]);
                                                                                           if (bind(SockFD, AI→ai addr, AI→ai addrlen) < 0) {
         FDSpecifier = std::make unique<char[]>(FDSpecifierStr.size() + 1);
                                                                                             errs() << "Error on binding: " << std::strerror(errno) << "\n";
                                                                                      94
         strcpy(FDSpecifier.get(), FDSpecifierStr.c str());
                                                                                             exit(1);
                                                                                           // Listen for incomming connections.
        char *const Args[] = {ExecutorPath.get(), FDSpecifier.get(), nullptr};
        int RC = execvp(ExecutorPath.get(), Args);
                                                                                           static constexpr int ConnectionQueueLen = 1;
                                                                                           listen(SockFD, ConnectionQueueLen);
```

# The plan

- A MemoryMapper interface with implementations based on
  - Shared memory
    - When both executor and controller process share same physical memory
  - Regular memory allocation APIs
    - When the resultant code is executed in the same process
    - Useful for unit tests
  - o EPC
    - Required when the executor and controller process run with different physical memory
    - Resultant code is transferred to the executor process over the EPC channel
- A JITLinkMemoryManager implementation that can use any MemoryMapper
  - It will allocate large chunks of memory using MemoryMapper and divide into smaller chunks
  - Better support for small code model by keeping everything close in memory

#### MemoryMapper Interface

- Reserve
  - Reserves executor address space
  - Creates shared memory or regular allocation
- Prepare
  - Provides pointer to working memory for use by the linker
  - Could be already mapped shared memory or just regular temporary memory to be copied
- Initialize
  - Transfers memory contents to executor and runs initialization actions
  - No-op for in-process or shared memory
- Deinitialize
  - Runs deinitialization actions
- Release
  - Release executor address space

```
namespace llvm {
namespace orc {
class MemoryMapper {
public:
  struct AllocInfo {
    struct SegInfo {
     ExecutorAddrDiff Offset:
      const char *WorkingMem;
     size t ContentSize;
     size t ZeroFillSize:
      unsigned Prot:
    ExecutorAddr MappingBase;
    std::vector<SegInfo> Segments:
    shared::AllocActions Actions:
 using OnReservedFunction = unique function<void(Expected<ExecutorAddrRange>)>;
  virtual void reserve(size_t NumBytes, OnReservedFunction OnReserved) = 0;
  virtual char *prepare(ExecutorAddr Addr, size t ContentSize) = 0;
 using OnInitializedFunction = unique function<void(Expected<ExecutorAddr>)>;
  virtual void initialize(AllocInfo &AI,
                          OnInitializedFunction OnInitialized) = 0;
 using OnDeinitializedFunction = unique function<void(Error)>;
  virtual void deinitialize(std::vector<ExecutorAddr> &Allocations.
                            OnDeinitializedFunction OnDeInitialized) = 0:
 using OnReleasedFunction = unique_function<void(Error)>;
  virtual void release(std::vector<ExecutorAddr> &Reservations,
                      OnReleasedFunction OnRelease) = 0:
};
```

# **Current Progress**

- MemoryMapper interface in review
- InProcessMemoryMapper implementation using sys::Memory APIs in review
- SharedMemoryMapper needs to be adapted to new MemoryMapper interface design (Currently working)

# Thank you