Single Process Mode

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What is it?

- Normally Collabora Online runs LibreOffice Kit in separate processes
- This runs LOKit in the same process as coolwsd





Why is it needed?

- Having multiple processes can complicate profiling and debugging
- Some tools, like valgrind, profile/analize a single process at a time





How to use it

- Configure with --enable-debug
- coolwsd-inproc executable
- run-inproc and run-massif-inproc make commands





How does it work

- Follows the same code-paths as a normal execution as much as possible
- Spawns threads instead of processes
- The mobile app is also single process, but with lots of unique code-paths





Limitations

- Can only handle one document, since multiple LOKit instances can't be run in the same process
- It can handle multiple users
- Skips some checks and events for simplicity like Unit test and some signals between processes



Thank you!

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