# **Relocation revisited**

# **Example C Program**

#### main.c

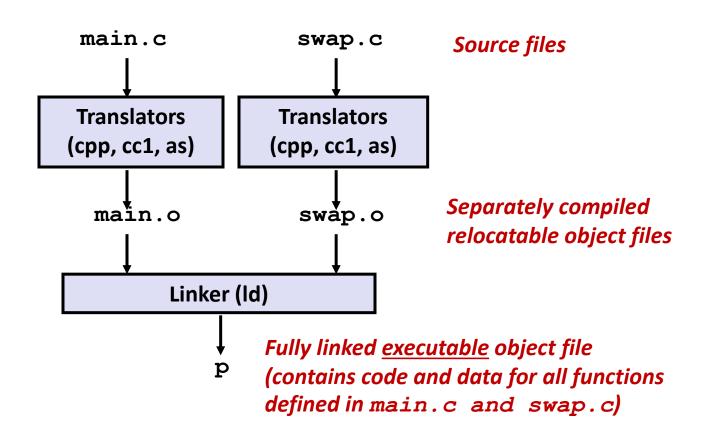
```
int buf[2] = {1, 2};
int main()
{
   swap();
   return 0;
}
```

#### swap.c

```
extern int buf[];
int *bufp0 = &buf[0];
static int *bufp1;
void swap()
  int temp;
 bufp1 = &buf[1];
  temp = *bufp0;
  *bufp0 = *bufp1;
  *bufp1 = temp;
```

# **Static Linking**

- Programs are translated and linked using a compiler driver:
  - unix> gcc -02 -g -o p main.c swap.c
  - unix> ./p



### What Do Linkers Do?

#### Step 1. Symbol resolution

Programs define and reference symbols (variables and functions):

```
void swap() {...} /* define symbol swap */
swap(); /* reference symbol swap */
int *xp = &x; /* define symbol xp, reference x */
```

- Symbol definitions are stored (by compiler) in symbol table.
  - Symbol table is an array of structs
  - Each entry includes name, size, and location of symbol.
- Linker associates each symbol reference with exactly one symbol definition.

# What Do Linkers Do? (cont)

#### Step 2. Relocation

- Merges separate code and data sections into single sections
- Relocates symbols from their relative locations in the .o files to their final absolute memory locations in the executable.
- Updates all references to these symbols to reflect their new positions.

### **Relocation Entries**

```
typedef struct {
   int offset;
   int symbol:24,
       type:8;
} Elf32_rel;
```

- Offset : section offset of the references to relocate
- Symbol: identifies the symbol that the modified reference should point to.
- Type : tells the linker how to modify the new reference
- ELF defines 11 relocation types.
- two most widely used :
  - R\_386\_PC32 : 32 bit PC\_relative address
    - Add the 32 bit value to the current PC value (address of the next instruction)
  - R\_386\_32 : 32 bit absolute address

# **Relocation Algorithm**

```
foreach section s {
    foreach relocation entry r {
        refptr = s + r.offset; /* ptr to reference to be relocated */
        /* Relocate a PC-relative reference */
        if (r.type == R_386_PC32) {
            refaddr = ADDR + r.offset; /* ref's run-time address */
            *refptr = (unsigned) (ADDR(r.symbol) + *refptr - refaddr);
        }
                                                PC adjustment
        /* Relocate an absolute reference */
        if (r.type == R_386_32)
            *refptr = (unsigned) (ADDR(r.symbol) + *refptr);
                                                 Array offset
```

Some compiler/linker store the value separately in relocation entry

Relocation entry{

symbol: swap

type:R 386 PC32

offset: 12

# **Relocation Info (main)**

main.c

}

```
int buf[2] =
    {1,2};

int main()
{
    swap();
    return 0;
```

```
main.o
```

```
value: -4}
0000000 <main>:
  0: 8d 4c 24 04
                       lea
                              0x4(%esp),%ecx
                              $0xfffffff0,%esp
  4:
      83 e4 f0
                       and
      ff 71 fc
  7:
                              0xffffffc(%ecx)
                       pushl
       55
                              %ebp
                       push
  a:
       89 e5
                              %esp,%ebp
  b:
                       mov
       51 -4(수행시의 PC 보정값) push
  d:
                              %ecx
      83 ec 04
  e:
                       sub
                              $0x4,%esp
       e8 fc ff ff ff
 11:
                       call
                              12 < main + 0x12 >
              12: R 386 PC32 swap ←
 16:
      83 c4 04
                              $0x4, %esp
                       add
 19:
       31 c0
                              %eax,%eax
                       xor
       59
 1b:
                              %ecx
                       pop
 1c:
      5d
                       pop
                              %ebp
       8d 61 fc
 1d:
                       lea
                              0xfffffffc(%ecx),%esp
 20:
       c3
                       ret
```

```
Source: objdump -r -d
```

```
Disassembly of section .data:

00000000 <buf>:
    0: 01 00 00 00 02 00 00 00
```

# Relocation Info (swap, .text)

```
swap.c
extern int buf[];
int
  *bufp0 = \&buf[0];
static int *bufp1;
void swap()
  int temp;
  bufp1 = \&buf[1];
  temp = *bufp0;
  *bufp0 = *bufp1;
  *bufp1 = temp;
    Relocation entry{
       offset: (7,14,1f)
       symbol: buf
       type:R 386 32
       value: 4}
```

```
swap.o
Disassembly of section .text.
00000000 <swap>:
        8b 15 00 00 00 00
   0:
                2: R 386 32
   6:
        a1 04 00 00 00
                7: R_386_32
        55
   b:
        89' e5
   c:
        €7 05 00 00 00 00 04
   e:
        00
           00 00
  15:
                10: R 386 32
                14: R 386 32
        8b 08
  1/8/
  1/a:
        89 10
  10.
        5d
        89 0d 04 00 00 00
                1f: R 386 32
        c3
```

```
Relocation entry{
   offset: 10
   symbol: bufp1
   type:R 386 32
   value: 0}
        0x0, %edx
 mov
 buf
        0x4, %eax
 mov
 buf
 push
        %ebp
 mov
        %esp,%ebp
        $0x4,0x0
 movl
```

```
.bss
buf
mov (%eax), %ecx
mov %edx, (%eax)
```

```
Relocation entry{
   offset: 2
   symbol: buf
   type:R_386_32
   value: 0}
```

# Relocation Info (swap, .data)

#### swap.c

```
extern int buf[];
int *bufp0 =
           &buf[0];
static int *bufp1;
void swap()
  int temp;
  bufp1 = \&buf[1];
  temp = *bufp0;
  *bufp0 = *bufp1;
  *bufp1 = temp;
```

```
Disassembly of section .data:

00000000 <bufp0>:
    0: 00 00 00 00

0: R_386_32 buf
```

# Executable Before/After Relocation (.text)

```
08048380 <main>:
. . . .
804838e: 83 ec 04 sub $0x4, %esp
8048391: e8 1a 00 00 00 call 80483b0 <swap>
8048396: 83 c4 04 add $0x4, %esp
. . . .
```

```
080483b0 <swap>:
80483b0: 8b 15 20 96 04 08 mov 0x8049620,%edx
80483b6: a1 24 96 04 08 mov 0x8049624,%eax
80483bb: 55 push %ebp
```

```
실제 계산에서는 PC를 모르기 때문에 080483b0 + (-4) - (08048380(section addr) + 12(offset)) ← 를 계산한다. = 0x1a
```

```
0:
     8b 15 00 00 00 00
                                   0x0, %edx
                           mov
            2: R 386 32
                           buf
 6:
     a1 04 00 00 00
                                   0x4, %eax
                           mov
             7: R 386 32
                           buf
     c7 05 00 00 00 00 04
                                   $0x4,0x0
                           movl
e:
15:
     00 00 00
             10: R 386 32
                          .bss
             14: R 386 32
                           buf
1d: 89 0d 04 00 00 00
                                   %ecx,0x4
                           mov
             1f: R 386_32
                           buf
23:
     c3
                            ret
```

```
080483b0 <swap>:
 80483b0:
              8b 15 20 96 04 08
                                            0x8049620, %edx
                                     mov
 80483b6:
              a1 24 96 04 08
                                            0x8049624, %eax
                                     mov
 80483bb:
               55
                                            %ebp
                                     push
 80483bc:
            89 e5
                                            %esp,%ebp
                                     mov
 80483be:
              c7 05 30 96 04 08 24
                                            $0x8049624,0x8049630
                                     movl
               96 04 08
 80483c5:
 80483c8:
              8b 08
                                            (%eax),%ecx
                                     mov
 80483ca:
              89 10
                                            %edx, (%eax)
                                     mov
 80483cc:
               5d
                                            %ebp
                                     pop
 80483cd:
              89 0d 24 96 04 08
                                            %ecx, 0x8049624
                                     mov
 80483d3:
               c3
                                     ret
```

# Executable After Relocation (.data)

```
Disassembly of section .data:

08049620 <buf>:
8049620: 01 00 00 00 02 00 00 00

08049628 <bufp0>:
8049628: 20 96 04 08

.bss

08049630 <bufp1>:
8049630: 24 96 04 08
```

```
extern int buf[];
int *bufp0 = &buf[0];
static int *bufp1;
void swap()
  int temp;
 bufp1 = &buf[1];
  temp = *bufp0;
  *bufp0 = *bufp1;
  *bufp1 = temp;
```

## **Before Relocation (.text) main.o**

```
Disassembly of section .text:
00000000000000000 <main>:
   0:
        55
                                        %rbp
                                 push
        48 89 e5
   1:
                                        %rsp,%rbp
                                 mov
       ъ8 00 00 00 00
   4:
                                        $0x0, %eax
                                 mov
   9:
       e8 00 00 00
                                 callq e <main+0xe>
                     00
                         a: R 386 PC32 <swap>
        ъ8 00 00 00 00
                                        $0x0,%eax
   e:
                                 mov
  13:
        5d
                                        %rbp
                                 pop
  14:
        c3
                                 retq
```

## **After Relocation (.text) main**

```
000000000004004ed <main>:
  4004ed:
                55
                                          push
                                                 %rbp
  4004ee:
                48 89 e5
                                                 %rsp,%rbp
                                          mov
  4004f1:
                ъ8 00 00 00 00
                                                 $0x0, %eax
                                          mov
  4004f6:
                e8 07 00 00
                                                 400502 <swap>
                                          callq
  4004fb:
                ъв 00 00 00 00
                                                 $0x0,%eax
                                          mov
  400500:
                5d
                                                 %rbp
                                          pop
  400501:
                с3
                                          retq
```

# Before Relocation (.text) swap.o

```
000000000000000 <swap>:
                                                          (수행시의 PC 보정값)
                                         %rbp
   0:
        55
                                 push
                                                                  PC값
        48 89 e5
                                         %rsp,%rbp
   1:
                                  mov
        48 c7 05 00 00 00 00
                                         $0x0,0x0(%rip)
                                                                # f < swap + 0xf >
   4:
                                 movq
                        7: R 386 PC32
                                               bufp1 -0x8
        00 00 00 00
   b:
                         b: R 386 32 buf+0x4
   f:
        48 8b 05 00 00 00 00
                                         0x0(%rip),%rax
                                                               # 16 <swap+0x16>
                                 mov
                         12: R 386 PC32
                                               bufp0
                                                       -0x4
  16:
        8b 00
                                         (%rax),%eax
                                  mov
  18:
        89 45 fc
                                         %eax,-0x4(%rbp)
                                  mov
        48 8b 05 00 00 00 00
                                                                # 22 <swap+0x22>
  1b:
                                         0x0(%rip),%rax
                                 mov
                                               bufp0 -0x4
                         1e: R 386 PC32
  22:
        48 8b 15 00 00 00 00
                                         0x0(%rip),%rdx
                                                                # 29 <swap+0x29>
                                  mov
                                               bufp1 -0x4
                         25: R 386 PC32
  29:
        8b 12
                                         (%rdx),%edx
                                  mov
  2b:
        89 10
                                         %edx,(%rax)
                                  mov
  2d:
        48 8b 05 00 00 00 00
                                         0x0(%rip),%rax
                                                                # 34 < swap + 0x34 >
                                  mov
                         30: R 386 PC32
                                               bufp1 -0x4
  34:
        8b 55 fc
                                         -0x4(%rbp),%edx
                                  mov
  37:
        89 10
                                         %edx,(%rax)
                                  mov
  39:
        5d
                                         %rbp
                                 pop
  3a:
        c3
                                  retq
```

# **After Relocation (.text) swap**

```
0000000000400502 <swap>:
  400502:
           55
                                          %rbp
                                   push
  400503:
          48 89 e5
                                          %rsp,%rbp
                                   mov
  400506: 48 c7 05 3f 0b 20 00
                                          $0x60103c,0x200b3f(%rip) #601050 <bufp1>
                                  movq
  40050d:
          3c 10 60 00
  400511: 48 8b 05 28 0b 20 00
                                          0x200b28(%rip),%rax
                                                                   # 601040 <bufp0>
                                   mov
  400518:
          8b 00
                                          (%rax),%eax
                                   mov
  40051a:
          89 45 fc
                                          %eax,-0x4(%rbp)
                                   mov
  40051d:
           48 8b 05 1c 0b 20 00
                                          0x200b1c(%rip),%rax
                                                                   # 601040 <bufp0>
                                   mov
          48 8b 15 25 0b 20 00
  400524:
                                                                   # 601050 <bufp1>
                                          0x200b25(%rip),%rdx
                                   mov
  40052b:
           8b 12
                                          (%rdx),%edx
                                   mov
  40052d:
          89 10
                                          %edx,(%rax)
                                   mov
  40052f:
          48 8b 05 1a 0b 20 00
                                          0x200b1a(%rip),%rax
                                                                   # 601050 <bufp1>
                                   mov
  400536:
           8b 55 fc
                                          -0x4(%rbp),%edx
                                   mov
  400539:
           89 10
                                          %edx,(%rax)
                                   mov
  40053b:
           5d
                                          %rbp
                                   pop
  40053c:
           c3
                                   reta
           Of 1f 00
  40053d:
                                   nopl
                                          (%rax)
```

### Main-Before Relocation

```
Disassembly of section .text:

00000000000000000 <main>:

9: e8 00 00 00 00 callq e <main+0xe>

a: R_386_PC32 <swap>
e: b8 00 00 00 00 00 mov $0x0,%eax
```

#### **PC-relative Address:**

```
ADDR(swap) - PC = 0x400502 - 0x4004fb
= 0x000007
```

### Main - After Relocation

```
000000000400502 <swap>:
400502: 55 push %rbp
400503: 48 89 e5 mov %rsp,%rbp
...
```

```
0000000000000000 <swap>:
  0:
       55
                            push
                                   %rbp
  1: 48 89 e5
                                   %rsp,%rbp
                             mov
  4: 48 c7 05 00 00 00 00
                            movq $0x0,0x0(%rip) # f <swap+0xf>
                     7: R 386 PC32
                                        bufp1 -0x8
  b:
       00 00 00 00
                     b: R 386 32S buf+0x4
  f:
       48 8b 05 00 00 00 00
                                   0x0(%rip),%rax
                                                     # 16 <swap+0x16>
                            mov
```

### Swap – After Relocation

```
0000000000400502 <swap>:
  400502:
         55
                                      %rbp
                               push
 400503: 48 89 e5
                                      %rsp,%rbp
                               mov
 400506: 48 c7 05 3f 0b 20 00
                                      $0x60103c,0x200b3f(%rip) #601050 <bufp1>
                               movq
 40050d: 3c 10 60 00
                                          Disassembly of section .data:
 400511:
                                          00000000000601038 <buf>:
                                             601038:
                                                          01 00
Disassembly of section .bss:
                                             60103a:
                                                          00 00
0000000000601050 <bufp1>:
                                            60103c:
                                                          02 00
```

#### **PC-relative Address:**

ADDR(bufp1) - PC = 0x601050 - 0x400511

= 0x200b3f

### ADDR(buf) + 0x4 = 0x601038 + 0x4= 0x60103c

**Absolute Address:** 

### Swap – After Relocation

```
000000000400502 <swap>:
400511: 48 8b 05 28 0b 20 00 mov 0x200b28(%rip),%rax # 601040 <bufp0>
400518: ... (next instruction)
```

```
ADDR(bufp0) - PC = 0x601040 - 0x400518
= 0x200b28
```

```
000000000000000 <swap>:
  16:
        8b 00
                                        (%rax),%eax
                                mov
  18: 89 45 fc
                                       %eax,-0x4(%rbp)
                                mov
  1b: 48 8b 05 00 00 00 00
                                       0x0(%rip),%rax
                                                              # 22 <swap+0x22>
                                mov
                        1e: R 386 PC32
                                             bufp0
                                                        -0x4
        48 8b 15 00 00 00 00
  22:
                                mov
                                       0x0(%rip),%rdx
```

### Swap – After Relocation

```
ADDR(bufp0) - PC = 0x601040 - 0x400524
= 0x200b1c
```

```
000000000000000 <swap>:

22: 48 8b 15 00 00 00 00 mov 0x0(%rip),%rdx # 29 <swap+0x29>

25: R_386_PC32 bufp1 -0x4

29: 8b 12 mov (%rdx),%edx
```

### Swap – After Relocation

```
000000000400502 <swap>:

400524: 48 8b 15 25 0b 20 00 mov 0x200b25(%rip),%rdx # 601050 <bufp1>
40052b: ... (next instruction)
```

```
Disassembly of section .bss: 0000000000000050 <bufp1>:
```

```
ADDR(bufp1) - PC = 0x601050 - 0x40052b
= 0x200b25
```

```
000000000000000 <swap>:
2d: 48 8b 05 00 00 00 00 mov 0x0(%rip),%rax # 34 <swap+0x34>
30: R_386_PC32 bufp1 -0x4
34: 8b 55 fc mov -0x4(%rbp),%edx
```

### Swap – After Relocation

```
000000000400502 <swap>:
40052f: 48 8b 05 1a 0b 20 00 mov 0x200b1a(%rip),%rax # 601050 <bufp1>
400536: ... (next instruction)
```

```
Disassembly of section .bss: 0000000000000050 <bufp1>:
```

```
ADDR(bufp1) - PC = 0x601050 - 0x400536
= 0x200b1a
```