

Lab1 Report

Objective1: Write baremetal app to send string through UART and analyzing the obj files headers.

Objective2: Write custom startup script and linker script.

Objective3: Write a make file to incrementally automate build process.

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OBJECTIVE 1

- We are working with a board called “versatilepb”.
- the UART output data register is located at 0x101f1000 and by default has the FIFO enabled.

UART.C

```
#include "uart.h"

#define UART0DR *((volatile unsigned int *)((unsigned int *)0x101f1000))
void uart_send_string(unsigned char * str){
    while(*str != '\0')
    {
        UART0DR = (unsigned int) *(str);
        str++;
    }
}
```

UART.H

```
#ifndef _UART_H_
#define _UART_H_

extern void uart_send_string(unsigned char *);

#endif
```

APP.C

```
#include "uart.h"

unsigned char string_buf[100] = "learn-in-depth-Mohamed Waleed";
unsigned char string_buf2[100] = "learn-in-depth-Mohamed Waleed";
void main(void)
{
    uart_send_string(string_buf);
}
```

After compiling these file without linking them

```
mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/MY_REPOS/learnInDepthRep/3-Embedded-C/2-L
abl- lesson2&3/Assignment (main)
$ arm-none-eabi-gcc -c -g -I . -mcpu=arm926ej-s app.c -o app.o

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$ arm-none-eabi-gcc -c -g -I . -mcpu=arm926ej-s uart.c -o uart.o
```

We can navigate the relocatable binary files with objdump bin utility

```
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abl- lesson2&3/Assignment (main)
$ arm-none-eabi-objdump -h app.o > app_headers.txt

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abl- lesson2&3/Assignment (main)
$ arm-none-eabi-objdump -h uart.o > uart_headers.txt
```

This outputs the sections headers of these objfiles (.data .text .bss .rodata and debug)

.text is for function symbols.

.data is for initialized global and static variables.

.bss is for uninitialized global and static variables.

.rodata is for global const variables.

```
app.o:      file format elf32-littlearm

Sections:
Idx Name          Size      VMA       LMA       File off  Algn
  0 .text          00000018  00000000  00000000  00000034  2**2
    CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, RELOC, READONLY, CODE
  1 .data          000000c8  00000000  00000000  0000004c  2**2
    CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, DATA
  2 .bss           00000000  00000000  00000000  00000114  2**0
    ALLOC
  3 .debug_info     0000007e  00000000  00000000  00000114  2**0
    CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  4 .debug_abbrev   0000005a  00000000  00000000  00000192  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  5 .debug_loc      0000002c  00000000  00000000  000001ec  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  6 .debug_aranges  00000020  00000000  00000000  00000218  2**0
    CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  7 .debug_line     00000035  00000000  00000000  00000238  2**0
    CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  8 .debug_str      000000a8  00000000  00000000  0000026d  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY, DEBUGGING
  9 .comment        00000012  00000000  00000000  00000315  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY
10 .ARM.attributes 00000032  00000000  00000000  00000327  2**0
    CONTENTS, READONLY
11 .debug_frame     0000002c  00000000  00000000  0000035c  2**2
    CONTENTS, RELOC, READONLY, DEBUGGING
```

```
#include "uart.h"
unsigned char string_buf[100] = "learn-in-depth-Mohamed Waleed";
unsigned char string_buf2[100] = "learn-in-depth-Mohamed Waleed";
void main(void)
{
    uart_send_string(string_buf);
}
```

Handwritten annotations in red:

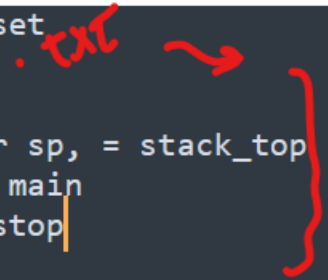
- Arrow pointing to `"uart.h"` with label `.data`
- Arrow pointing to `main(void)` with label `.text`
- Arrow pointing to `uart_send_string(string_buf);` with label `.text`

VMA and LMA will later be mapped by linker script (linker counter)

OBJECTIVE 2

STARTUP FILE

```
.global reset  
  
reset:  
    ldr sp, = stack_top  
    bl main  
stop:  b stop
```



-initializes stack pointer

-jumps to main

```
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ab1- lesson2&3/Assignment (main)  
$ arm-none-eabi-as -mcpu=arm926ej-s startup.s -o startup.o  
startup.s: Assembler messages:  
startup.s: Warning: end of file not at end of a line; newline inserted  
  
mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/MY_REPOS/learnInDepthRep/3-Embedded-C/2-  
ab1- lesson2&3/Assignment (main)  
$ arm-none-eabi-objdump -h startup.o > startup_headers.txt
```

```
startup.o:      file format elf32-littlearm  
  
Sections:  
Idx Name          Size      VMA       LMA       File off  Algn  
  0 .text          00000010  00000000  00000000  00000034  2**2  
          CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, RELOC, READONLY, CODE  
  1 .data           00000000  00000000  00000000  00000044  2**0  
          CONTENTS, ALLOC, LOAD, DATA  
  2 .bss            00000000  00000000  00000000  00000044  2**0  
          ALLOC  
  3 .ARM.attributes 00000022  00000000  00000000  00000044  2**0  
          CONTENTS, READONLY
```

LINKER

```
ENTRY(reset)
MEMORY
{
    Mem (rwx) : ORIGIN = 0x00000000, LENGTH = 64M
}

SECTIONS
{
    . = 0x10000;
    .startup : :
    {
        startup.o(.text)
    }>Mem
    .text :
    {
        *(.text) *(.rodata)
    }>Mem
    .data :
    {
        *(.data)
    }>Mem
    .bss :
    {
        *(.bss) *(.COMMON)
    }>Mem
    . = . + 0x1000;
    stack_top = .;
}
```

Handwritten annotations in red:

- mem.v2 (pointing to Mem)
- 70P (pointing to ORIGIN)
- start (pointing to LENGTH)
- Linker Command (pointing to SECTIONS)
- . is counter (pointing to .text)
- >VMA At LMA (pointing to .data)
- stack width (pointing to stack_top)

Entry point is at reset in the .text sections header of the startup.o file this is why we start there.

The linker resolves unresolved symbols of the other objfiles:

```
mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/MY
ab1- lesson2&3/Assignment (main)
$ arm-none-eabi-nm app.o
00000000 T main
00000000 D string_buf
00000064 D string_buf2
          U uart_send_string
```

Handwritten red wavy line under the first three lines and an arrow pointing to the unresolved symbol.

LINKING AND ANALYZING ELF FILE

```
mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/MY_REPOS/learnInDepthRep/3-Embedded-C/2-L
ab1- lesson2&3/Assignment (main)
$ arm-none-eabi-ld -T linker-script.ld app.o uart.o startup.o -o learn-in-depth.
elf -Map=map_file
```

```

mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/MY_REPOS/learnInDepthKe
ab1- lesson2&3/Assignment (main)
$ arm-none-eabi-nm learn-in-depth.elf
00010010 T main
00010000 T reset
00011140 D stack_top
00010008 t stop
00010078 D string_buf
000100dc D string_buf2
00010028 T uart_send_string

```

all resolved
symbols

MAPFILE gives the layout of the final image of the software.

1				
2	Memory Configuration			
3				
4	Name	Origin	Length	Attributes
5	Mem	0x00000000	0x04000000	xrW
6	*default*	0x00000000	0xffffffff	
7				
8	▼ Linker script and memory map			
9				
10		0x00010000	. = 0x10000	
11				
12	▼ .startup	0x00010000	0x10	
13	startup.o(.text)			
14	▼ .text	0x00010000	0x10	startup.o
15		0x00010000		reset
16				
17	▼ .text	0x00010010	0x68	
18	*(.text)			
19	▼ .text	0x00010010	0x18	app.o
20		0x00010010		main
21	▼ .text	0x00010028	0x50	uart.o
22		0x00010028		uart_send_string
23	*(.rodata)			
24				
25	▼ .glue_7	0x00010078	0x0	
26	.glue_7	0x00000000	0x0	linker stubs
27				
28	▼ .glue_7t	0x00010078	0x0	
29	.glue_7t	0x00000000	0x0	linker stubs
30				
31	▼ .vfp11_veneer	0x00010078	0x0	
32	.vfp11_veneer	0x00000000	0x0	linker stubs
33				
34	▼ .v4_bx	0x00010078	0x0	
35	.v4_bx	0x00000000	0x0	linker stubs
36				
37	▼ .iplt	0x00010078	0x0	
38	.iplt	0x00000000	0x0	startup.o
39				
40	▼ .rel.dyn	0x00010078	0x0	
41	.rel.iplt	0x00000000	0x0	startup.o
42				
43	▼ .data	0x00010078	0xc8	
44	*(.data)			
45	.data	0x00010078	0x0	startup.o
46	▼ .data	0x00010078	0xc8	app.o
47		0x00010078		string_buf
48		0x000100dc		string_buf2
49	.data	0x00010140	0x0	uart.o
50				
51	▼ .igot.plt	0x00010140	0x0	
52	.igot.plt	0x00000000	0x0	startup.o
53				
54	▼ .bss	0x00010140	0x0	
55	*(.bss)			

SIMULATION:

```
mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/TEST
$ arm-none-eabi-nm learn-in-depth.elf >> final_image_analysis.txt

mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/TEST
$ arm-none-eabi-objcopy -O binary learn-in-depth.elf learn-in-depth.bin

mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/TEST
$ qemu-system-arm -M versatilepb -m 128M -nographic -kernel learn-in-depth.bin
learn-in-depth-Mohamed Waleed
```


OBJECTIVE 3

Make files automate the building process

```
#Mohamed Waleed
#incremental building with makefile
CC=arm-none-eabi-Tool chain
CFLAGS=-g -mcpu=arm926ej-s Flags
INCS= -I . include
SRC=$(wildcard *.c) all .c files
OBJ=$(SRC:.c=.o)
As=$(wildcard *.s) .c → .o
AsOBJ=$(As:.s=.o)
Project_name=learn-in-depth

all: $(Project_name).bin
    @echo "=====build is done :)=======" Default make

%.o: %.c generic
    $(CC)gcc.exe -c $(CFLAGS) $(INCS) $< -o $@ Target

%.o: %.s
    $(CC)as.exe $(CFLAGS) $< -o $@ dependency

$(Project_name).elf: $(AsOBJ) $(OBJ)
    $(CC)ld.exe -T linker-script.ld $(AsOBJ) $(OBJ) -o $@

$(Project_name).bin: $(Project_name).elf
    $(CC)objcopy.exe -O binary $< $@

clean_all:
    rm *.o *.elf *.bin

clean:
    rm *.elf *.bin
```

```
mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/TEST C
$ make clean_all
rm *.o *.elf *.bin

mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/TEST C
$ make
arm-none-eabi-as.exe -g -mcpu=arm926ej-s startup.s -o startup.o
startup.s: Assembler messages:
startup.s: Warning: end of file not at end of a line; newline inserted
arm-none-eabi-gcc.exe -c -g -mcpu=arm926ej-s -I . app.c -o app.o
arm-none-eabi-gcc.exe -c -g -mcpu=arm926ej-s -I . uart.c -o uart.o
arm-none-eabi-ld.exe -T linker-script.ld startup.o app.o uart.o -o learn-in-dept
h.elf
arm-none-eabi-objcopy.exe -O binary learn-in-depth.elf learn-in-depth.bin
=====build is done :)======="

mw296@Masha MINGW32 ~/OneDrive/Desktop/TEST C
$ |
```