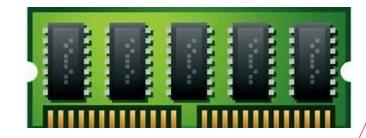


Heap Memory Manger



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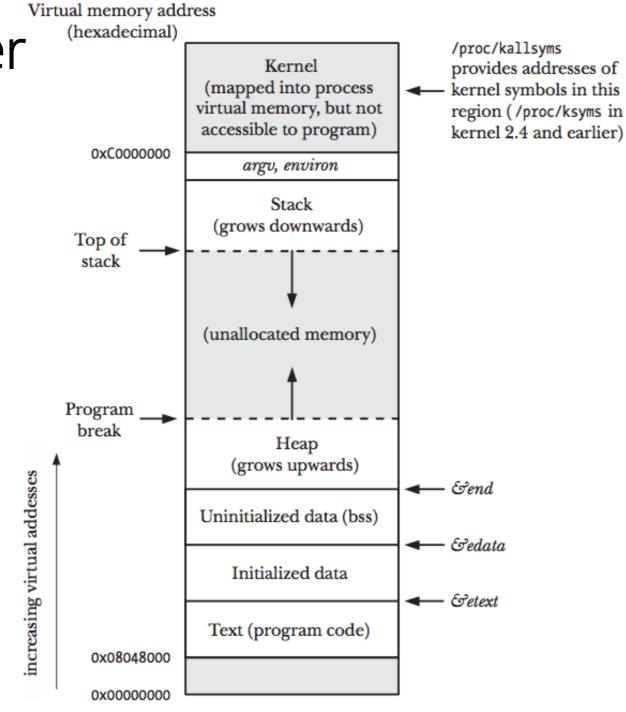
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1- Heap Memory Manger

Heap: are memory area allocated to each program. Memory allocated to heap can be dynamically allocated, unlike memory allocated to stacks.

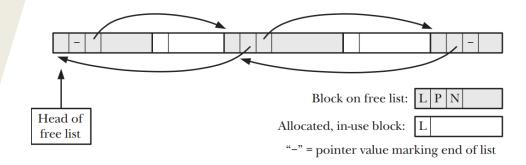
Memory layout consists of:

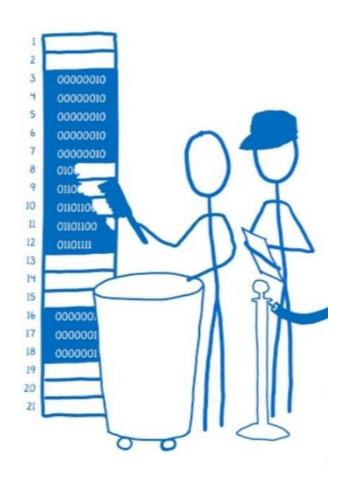
- Text (read-only, sharable).
- Data.
- BSS (Block Started by Symbol).
- Stack.
- Heap (Program Break)



Heap Memory Manger:

- A heap memory manager is a component of a computer's operating system or programming language runtime that is responsible for dynamically allocating and de-allocating memory on the heap.
- When a program requests memory from the heap, the memory manager finds a suitable block of memory and reserves it for the program's use. The memory manager also ensures that different memory allocations do not overlap and cause conflicts by linking all data allocated and save an information about this data into table to can mange it.





HMM Vision



Program Break









It is a challenge that executes a sequence of operations in according concepts of memory to perform in most of scenarios of allocating.

So we can say our task is :-

- 1- Understanding how the heap memory manger work in Linux operating system
- 2- How to design a software can do this task
- 3- How to avoid memory leaks



2- Design

HMM layers

HMM Abstraction layers consists of:

- HMM
- Doubly list

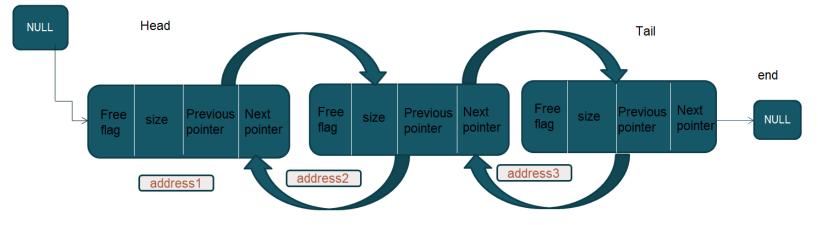
HMM

Doubly list

- This list have free and allocated nodes, each node has meta data about data allocated.
- The different between allocated node and free node is the free flag.

Node of list consists of:

- Free flag: show if this node free or allocated
- Size: size of data
- Previous pointer: save address of previous node
- Next pointer: save address of next node



Allocating mechanism:

- Alignment size to nearest multiple of bytes (8-bits).
- Move the program break up with a size above the need size to allocate.
- Search on best fit free node of list and split the remainder size of this node.
- If there aren't free node insert new node in the tail of list.

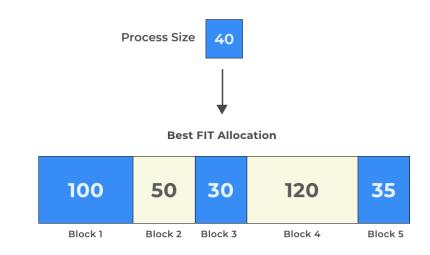
Freeing mechanism:

- Change free flag status to free.
- Check if there are free node after or before free node to merge them to on free node with large size.
- Move the program break down with a size less than the last free node's size.

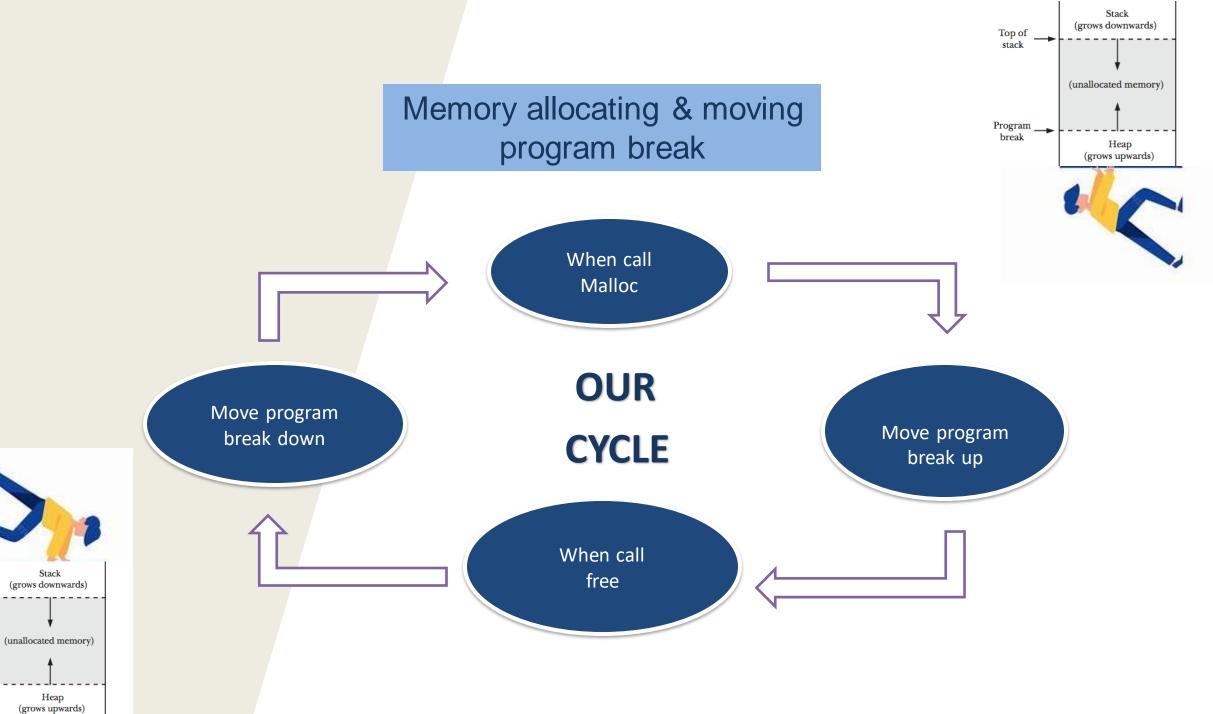
Reallocating mechanism:

- Verification of the address given It's a address of node of the list.
- Check of the relation between new size and old size of this node.
- If new size is bigger than old one so check on the ability to merge with next or previous node.
- Last case allocate new node.

Best Fit Allocation in OS



		Size	Can Occupy?	Memory Wastage After Process Occupies	
	Block 1	100	Yes	100 - 40 = 60	
	Block 2	50	Yes	50 - 40 = 10	Best
	Block 3	30	No	-	
	Block 4	120	Yes	120 - 40 = 80	
	Block 5	35	No	-	



Top of stack

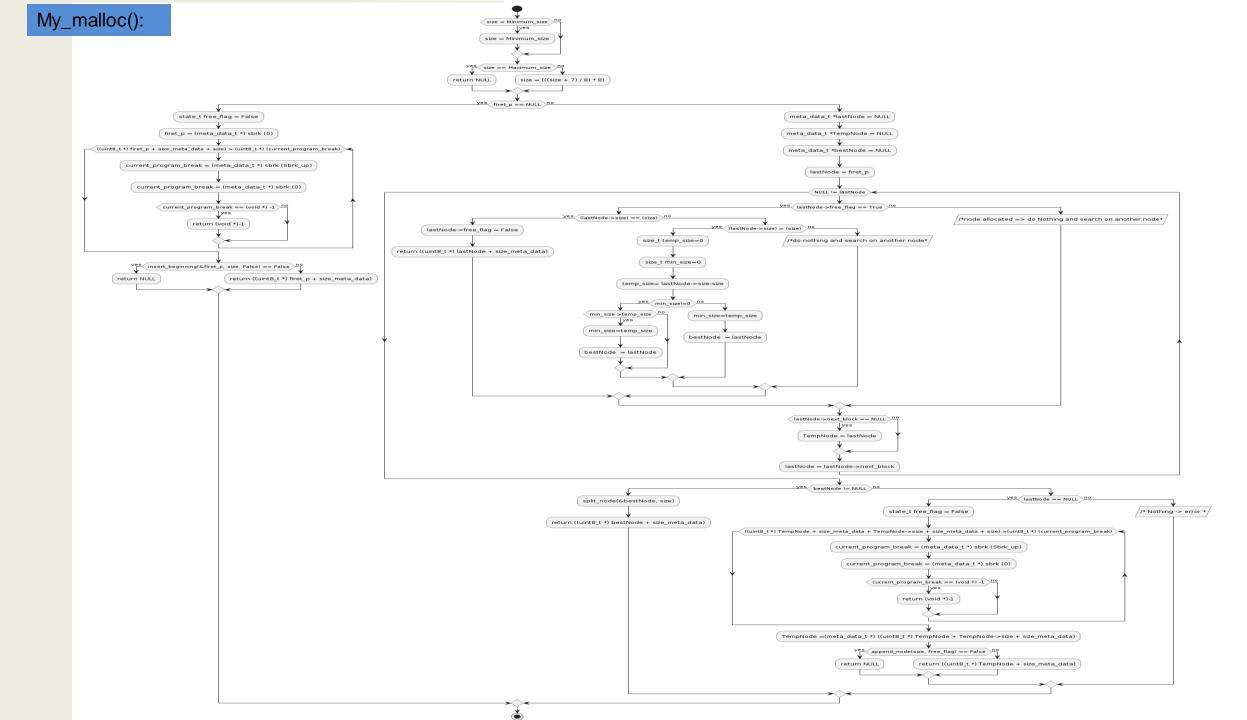
Program break

3- Flowchart & Implementation

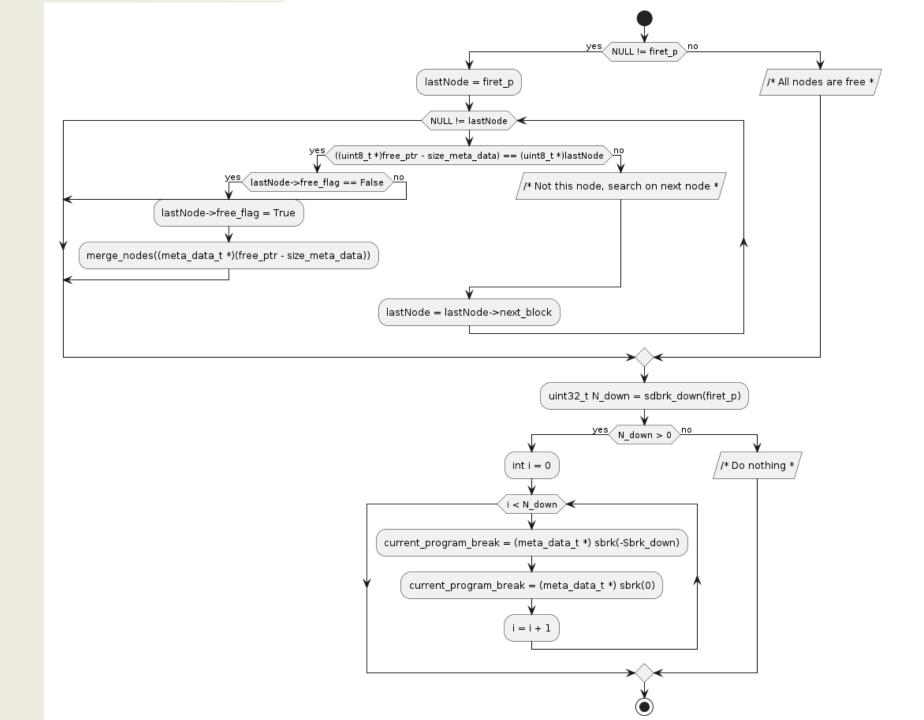
HMM consists of four function:

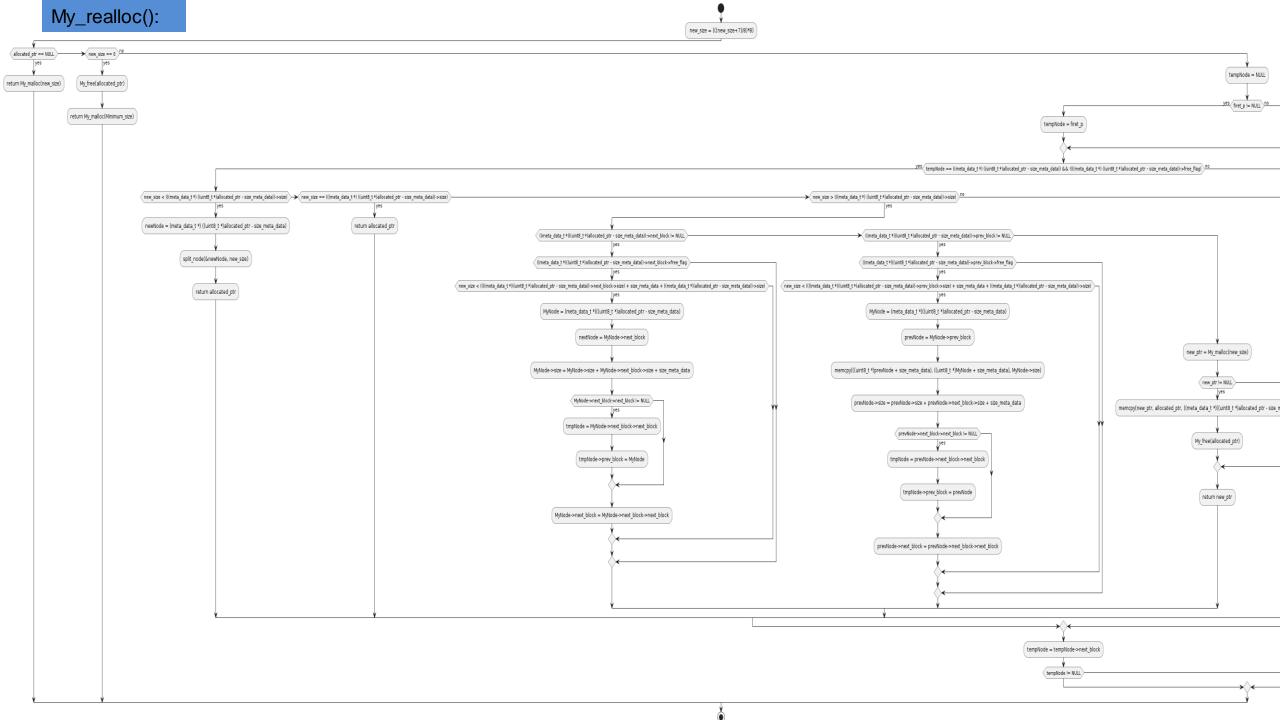
- My malloc().
- My free().
- My calloc().
- My realloc().



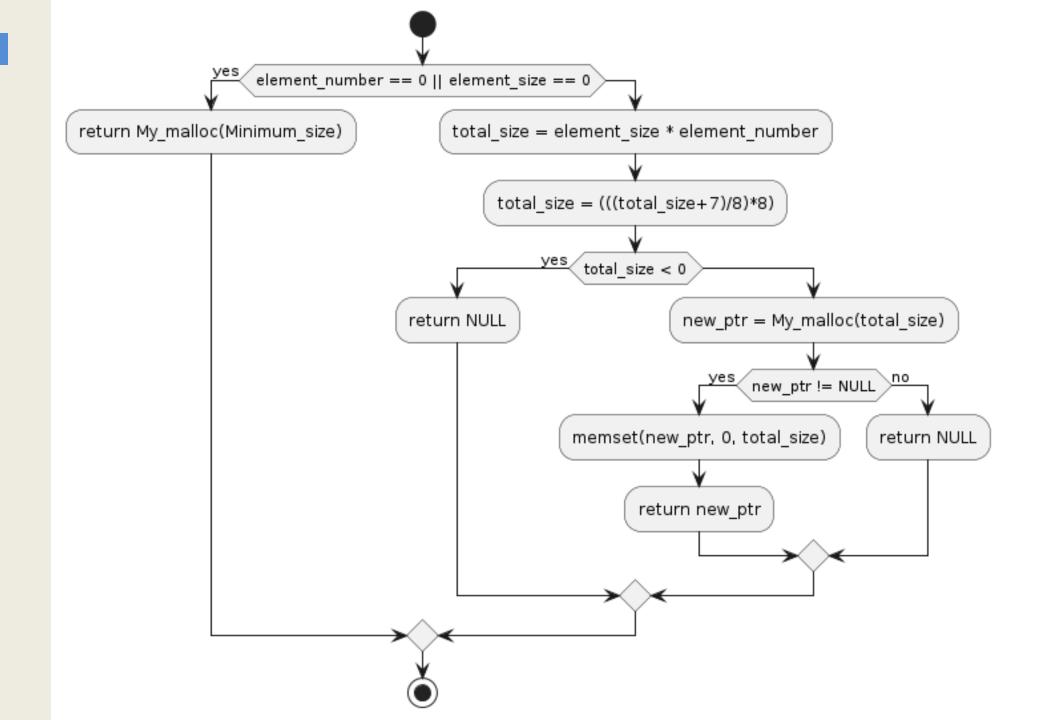


My_free():





My_calloc():

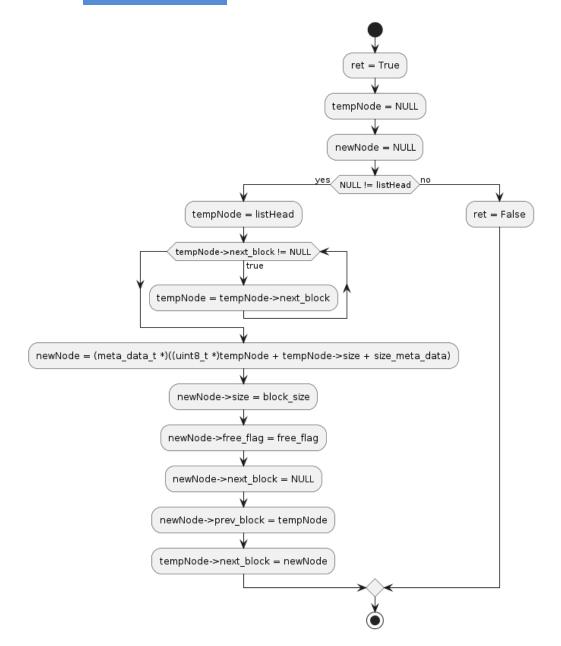


Doubly liked list consists of four function:

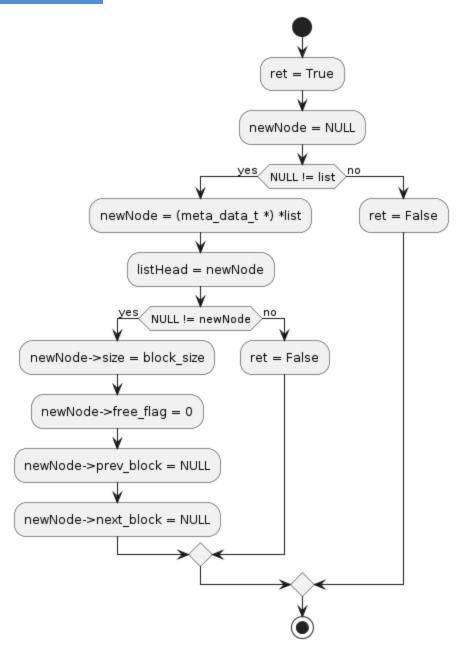
- Insert node().
- Split node().
- Merge nodes().
- Sbrk down().



append node():



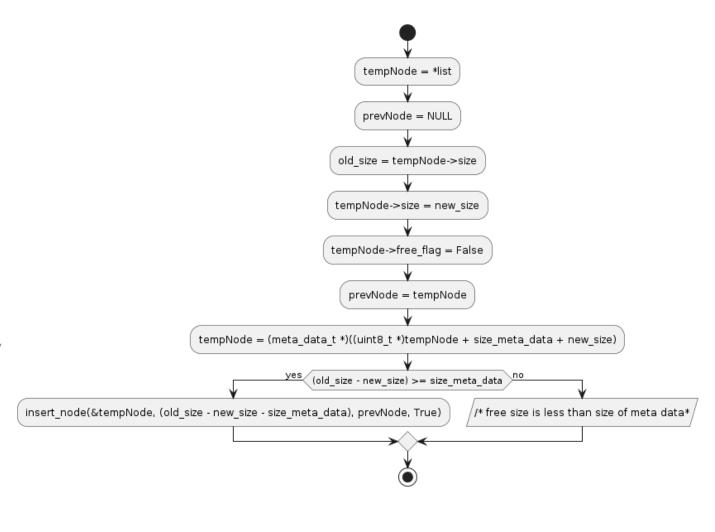
Insert beginning ():



Insert node():

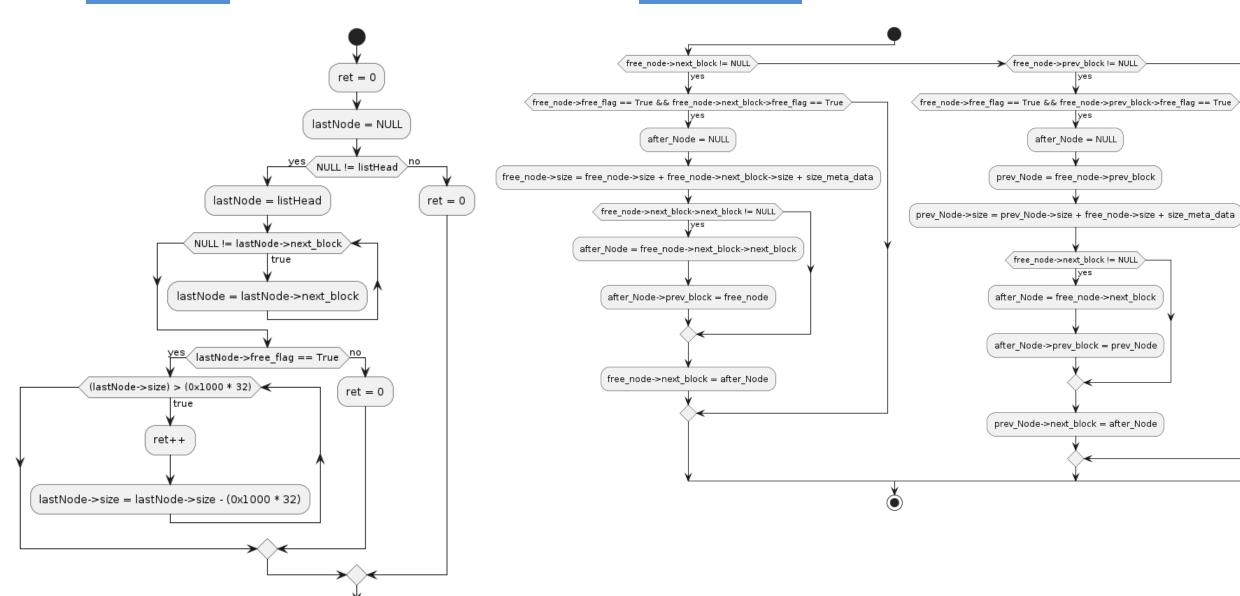
newNode = NULL newNode = (meta_data_t *) *list NULL != newNode yes NULL == prev NULL != newNode insert_beginning(&newNode, block_size, free_flag) newNode->size = block_size newNode->free_flag = free_flag newNode->prev_block = prev newNode->next_block = prev->next_block prev->next_block = newNode

Split node():



Sbrk down():

Merge nodes():







For source code:



4- Testing

First:

- Simple test to verifying allocating and freeing memory
- Print current program break to verify that it moves correctly.

```
M Makefile
 main.c > 🖃 MAX_SIZE
     extern char end, edata, etext;
          char *ptr[MAX ALLOCS];
          int freeStep, freeMin, freeMax, blockSize, numAllocs, j;
          printf("etext = %p, edata=%p, end=%p, initial program break=%p\n", &etext, &edata, &end, (char*)sbrk(0));
              printf("%s num-allocs block-size [step [min [max]]]\n", argv[0]);
              exit(1);
          numAllocs = getInt(argv[1], GN_GT_0, "num-allocs");
          if (numAllocs > MAX ALLOCS) {
              printf("num-allocs > %d\n", MAX_ALLOCS);
              exit(1);
          blockSize = getInt(argv[2], GN_GT_0 | GN_ANY_BASE, "block-size");
          freeStep = (argc > 3) ? getInt(argv[3], GN_GT_0, "step") : 1;
          freeMin = (argc > 4) ? getInt(argv[4], GN_GT_0, "min") : 1;
          freeMax = (argc > 5) ? getInt(argv[5], GN GT 0, "max") : numAllocs;
          if (freeMax > numAllocs) {
          printf("Initial program break:
                                                  %10p\n", sbrk(0));
          printf("Allocating %d*%d bytes\n", numAllocs, blockSize);
          for (j = 0; j < numAllocs; j++) {
              ptr[j] = malloc(blockSize);
              if (ptr[j] == NULL) {
                  printf("malloc returned null\n");
                  exit(1);
          printf("Program break is now:
                                                  %10p\n", sbrk(0));
          printf("Freeing blocks from %d to %d in steps of %d\n",
                      freeMin, freeMax, freeStep);
          for (j = freeMin - 1; j < freeMax; j += freeStep)</pre>
          printf("After free(), program break is: %10p\n", sbrk(0));
 omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/testing code$ ./main.exe 1000 10240 1 500 1000
etext = 0x5ade063091d1, edata=0x5ade0630c010, end=0x5ade0630c038, initial program break=0x5ade0825e000
Initial program break:
                                0x5ade0827f000
Allocating 1000*10240 bytes
Program break is now:
                                0x5ade08c2a000
Freeing blocks from 500 to 1000 in steps of 1
After free(), program break is: 0x5ade0874a000
```

Second:

- Strong test to verifying all project (tow function: malloc, free).
- This test generate randomized variables of values to of size to allocate and free.
- This script do this operation for 1000 000 times of allocating and max size 10000 bytes (can be changed), this test success.

```
#define NUM ALLOCS 1000000
 #define MAX SIZE 102400
     #define MAX ITERATIONS 1000000 /*milion random variables**/
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555calef30
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x5555562b3b48
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555e6adea8
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555820ec28
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x5555629b1730
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55556053bal0
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555a5ec0a0
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555aff8b40
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555772dee8
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555cbf3408
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555d5bf920
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555562a64e08
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555dcaafc8
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555561223938
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555fbd9a38
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555a881440
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555558063478
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555558063478
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x5555561581738
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555556446898
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555fcb1050
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555a68baa0
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x5555610d6960
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555ae7b6d8
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555b7e9f28
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x5555571de1b0
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555555bd59f8
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x5555579e0c08
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555556d17d88
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555dbb4ca0
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555e534b60
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555556b5a680
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555559c468c0
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555560c98dc8
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555562cd61a8
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555559daaaf8
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555be1c250
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555556ae9900
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555753fd38
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x5555628a5b28
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x5555561ce350
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555560d37008
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555a4900d0
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x555555b14230
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555f374b38
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x5555615c12f0
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x5555579a5ba8
Freeing remaining memory at address 0x55555e05d3e8
Test complete.
[1] + Done
                                   "/usr/bin/gdb" --interpreter=mi --tty=${DbgTerm} 0<"/tmp/Micro
```

Third:

- Test strong to verifying all project (four function: malloc, free, calloc, realloc).
- This test generate randomized variables of values to of size to allocate, reallocate and free.
- This script do this operation for 100 000 times of allocating and max size 10000 bytes (can be changed), this test success.

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <time.h>
#include <string.h>
#define NUM OPERATIONS 100000
#define MAX SIZE (10000)
enum Operation
     MALLOC,
     CALLOC,
     REALLOC,
void *allocated blocks[NUM OPERATIONS];
void perform_random_operations()
      srand(time(NULL));
            (int i = 0; i < NUM OPERATIONS; i++)
            enum Operation op = rand() % 4;
Allocated block 0x654507clae80 with size 4566
Allocated block 0x654507c1c060 with size 9171
Allocated block 0x6544fc5bf7d0 with size 1813
Reallocated block 0x6544fb0b9330 with size 9110
Allocated block 0x654500801c20 with 4034 elements of size 216
Reallocated block 0x654501bc8e60 with size 2384
Allocated block 0x6544f58b76d0 with size 1657
Allocated block 0x654507c1e440 with 1752 elements of size 2181
Allocated block 0x654507c20680 with size 4303
Freed block (nil)
Allocated block 0x654507c21760 with size 9869
Reallocated block 0x654507c23e00 with size 7754
Allocated block 0x654502297e80 with size 3567
Allocated block 0x654507c25c60 with 614 elements of size 3082
Allocated block 0x654501a0f1a0 with size 862
Allocated block 0x6544f9659430 with size 5625
Allocated block 0x654507c282d0 with 5258 elements of size 7376
Allocated block 0x654507c29770 with 5561 elements of size 713
Allocated block 0x654507c2ad40 with 6216 elements of size 9097
Reallocated block 0x654507c2c590 with size 8965
Allocated block 0x654507c2e8a0 with 1707 elements of size 2895
Allocated block 0x6544f90962d0 with size 142
Allocated block 0x6545013dc180 with size 1066
Freed block (nil)
Allocated block 0x654507c30a00 with 1117 elements of size 9560
Reallocated block 0x6544fd996d00 with size 6773
Allocated block 0x654507c32cf0 with 305 elements of size 2985
Reallocated block 0x6544fbb24090 with size 49
Allocated block 0x654507c35320 with size 8433
Allocated block 0x654507c37420 with size 8167
Freed block (nil)
Allocated block 0x6544fd0bddf0 with size 4278
Freed block (nil)
Reallocated block 0x6544f965aa40 with size 3879
Allocated block 0x654507c39410 with 7029 elements of size 4862
```

Fourth:

- This test to verifying allocating and freeing memory not causes leak of memory by using Valgired program
- Print if there are memory leak.

```
Allocated block 0x6502ed0 with size 879
Allocated block 0x15998230 with 6339 elements of size 5504
Allocated block 0x184989c0 with size 9938
Allocated block 0x76fdde0 with size 4966
Freed block (nil)
Allocated block 0x1849b0e0 with 9419 elements of size 5661
Allocated block 0x1849d5f0 with 7949 elements of size 7539
Freed block (nil)
Allocated block 0x10c92500 with size 5701
Reallocated block 0x5bae0b0 with size 1285
Reallocated block 0x151e6490 with size 7134
Allocated block 0x968f650 with size 4718
Allocated block 0xc387fe0 with size 2326
Allocated block 0x1849f540 with 3207 elements of size 5791
Allocated block 0xb2ac5f0 with size 5063
Freed block (nil)
Reallocated block 0x184a1b20 with size 6245
Allocated block 0x184a33d0 with size 9234
Reallocated block 0x54e1f80 with size 7247
Reallocated block 0x184a5830 with size 6094
Reallocated block 0x1461a500 with size 8147
Allocated block 0x184a7040 with size 9591
Reallocated block 0x184a9600 with size 8706
Freed block (nil)
Freed block (nil)
Freed block (nil)
Reallocated block 0xd3e1640 with size 5069
Allocated block 0x721bc10 with size 3246
Reallocated block 0x57676c0 with size 2402
Reallocated block 0x184ab850 with size 7988
Allocated block 0x184ad7d0 with 6056 elements of size 1586
Freed block (nil)
Freed block (nil)
Allocated block 0x184aefc0 with 2178 elements of size 8007
Freed block (nil)
Allocated block 0x184b1210 with 7274 elements of size 7228
Freed block (nil)
Reallocated block 0x71c2720 with size 829
Allocated block 0x15711f10 with size 3154
Allocated block 0x184b2ec0 with 8897 elements of size 6399
Freed block (nil)
Freed block (nil)
Allocated block 0x184b51d0 with 3139 elements of size 99
Allocated block 0x13189e30 with size 1077
Reallocated block 0xd236aa0 with size 5108
DONE
==23586==
==23586== HEAP SUMMARY:
==23586==
              in use at exit: 302,354,194 bytes in 49,903 blocks
            total heap usage: 74,913 allocs, 25,010 frees, 454,532,370 bytes allocated
==23586==
==23586== LEAK SUMMARY:
==23586==
             definitely lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==23586==
             indirectly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==23586==
               possibly lost: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==23586==
             still reachable: 302,354,194 bytes in 49,903 blocks
==23586==
                  suppressed: 0 bytes in 0 blocks
==23586== Rerun with --leak-check=full to see details of leaked memory
==23586== For lists of detected and suppressed errors, rerun with: -s
==23586== ERROR SUMMARY: 0 errors from 0 contexts (suppressed: 0 from 0)
  mar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_project$
```

Fifth:

 This test is replacing my library with glibc and run some commands based on my library such as: ls, echo.

```
omar@omar-VirtualBox: ~/Advanced/HMM test
                                                                           omar@omar-VirtualBox: ~/Advanced/HMM test
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ gcc -g -c -fPIC *.c
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ gcc -shared -o libhmm.so *.o
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ export LD PRELOAD=/home/omar/Advanced/HMM test/libhmm.so
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ ls
Doubly Free list.c Doubly free list.h Doubly Free list.o gdbscript HMM.c HMM.h HMM.o libhmm.so test test2
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM test$ ls
Doubly_Free_list.c Doubly_free_list.h Doubly_Free_list.o gdbscript HMM.c HMM.h HMM.o libhmm.so test test2
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ mkdir dir
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ help ls
bash: help: no help topics match `ls'.  Try `help help' or `man -k ls' or `info ls'.
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM test$ pwd
/home/omar/Advanced/HMM_test
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ who
who: memory exhausted
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ time
       0m0.000s
real
       0m0.000s
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ type pwd
pwd is a shell builtin
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ which
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM test$ echo HMM Projecr
HMM Projecr
omar@omar-VirtualBox:~/Advanced/HMM_test$ history
 989 export LD_PRELOAD=/home/omar/Advanced/bash_deb/lib.so cat list.h
     gcc -o lib.so -fPIC -shared HMM.c
 991 export LD PREALOAD=`realpath lib.so`
 992
     bash
 993 ls
      gcc -g lib.so -fPIC -shared HMM.c
     gcc -fPIC -shared -o lib.so HMM.c -ldl
 996 mkdir -p ~/.config/apport/
 997 vim ~/.config/apport/settings
 998 ulimit -c unlimited
 999 sudo systemctl restart apport
     export LD_PRELOAD=/home/omar/Advanced/bash_deb/lib.so_ls
1001 ls -l /var/crash/
1002 apport-unpack /var/crash/_usr_bin_ls.1000.crash ./ls_dump
1003 apport-unpack /var/crash/_usr_bin_apport-unpack.1000.crash ./ls_dump
1004 apport-unpack /var/crash/ usr bin ls.1000.crash ./ls dump
1005 apport-unpack /var/crash/_usr_bin_bash.1000.crash ./bash_dump
1006 apport-unpack /var/crash/ usr bin gdb.1000.crash ./gdb dump
1007 apport-unpack /var/crash/_usr_bin_unpack.1000.crash ./unpack_dump
```

5- Make file



Program



build

Compile this library normally.



Static library

Make my library compiled as .static library using this make file by run: make static.



Shared library

Make my library compiled as .shared library using this make file by run: make dynamic.

```
M Makefile
 1 CC := gcc
     CFLAGS:= -q -Wall
     DYN:= -fPIC
     SH:= -shared
     OPSH:= -ldl
     ST:= ar
     OPS:= -rs
     SRC:= $(shell ls *.c)
     OBJ:= $(SRC:.c=.o)
     INC:= $(shell ls *.h)
     TARGET:= a
     .PHONY: all clean build run
     all: clean build run
     dynamic: clean DYNAMIC run
     static: clean STATIC run
     STATIC:
         @$(CC) -c $(SRC)
         @$(ST) $(OPS) libhmm.so *.o
         @$(CC) -c main.c -I./mylib
         @$(CC) -o $(TARGET).exe main.o -L./mylib
         @echo "[Makefile][build] : Compiled successfully."
     DYNAMIC:
         @$(CC) -c $(DYN) $(SRC)
         @$(CC) $(SH) -o lib.so *.o $(OPSH)
         @$(CC) -o $(TARGET).exe main.c
         @LD LIBRARY PATH=`realpath lib.so`
         @echo "[Makefile][build] : Compiled successfully."
     build: $(OBJ)
         @$(CC) $(CFLAGS) $(OBJ) -o $(TARGET).exe
         @echo "[Makefile][build] : Compiled successfully."
     $(OBJ): %.o: %.c $(INC)
         @$(CC) $(CFLAGS) -c $< -0 $@
          ./$(TARGET).exe
     clean:
         @rm -f *.o
         @rm -f *.exe
         @echo "[Makefile][clean] : Cleaned successfully."
```

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