

Emscripten Malloc

- For calls where the size in memory is known, the stack memory is used, otherwise if its not known ahead of time, the heap is used.
- The size of the Emscripten stack is of 80 bytes

`_malloc` - Function 22

Lines: (Lines: 194 - 6234)

External Dependencies:

- Global 12 -> Stack Top
- Global 13 -> Stack Max
- Call 3 -> `abortStackOverflow` - Imported
- Call 71 -> `_sbrk` - Implemented
- Call 28 -> `__errno_location` - Implemented

In terms of handling the stack, this function asks for 80 bytes from the stack. Before this it checks the global 13 for stack max to see whether there is space. If there is, it sets the STACKTOP to STACKTOP+80, and when the function returns it returns the stack to its original value. Moreover, it handles the stack address from then on via a local, which it sets at the beginning from the global.

`_sbrk` - Function 71

Lines: (Lines: 18198 - 18249) Grows memory when necessary, checks if there is enough memory, and if the parameter passed is appropriate if not, it throws an error. Returns the value of the `dynamic_ptr` in memory **External Dependencies:**

- Global 9 - DYNAMICTOP_PTR
- Call 2 - `abortOnCannotGrowMemory` - Imported
- Call 7 - `__setErrNo` - Imported (Sets error in external emscripten state, CODE:12)
- Call 1 - `getTotalMemory` - Imported
- Call 0 - `enlargeMemory` - Imported **Return:** Returns value where dynamic memory is stored.

`__errno_location`

- Does not do anything, simply returns the address where the errors are saved. i.e. 132, it seems like all the errors are thrown by the outside environment.

```
(func (;29;) (type 2) (result i32)
  (local i32 i32)
  get_global 12
  set_local 1
  i32.const 1648
  return)
```

dependencies

- Global 12 -> Stack top

Free

Frees chunks

- Global 12 -> Stack Top

Entry.js

All starts with a constant GLOBAL_BASE ptr at line 378. The memory is organized as follows:

- Above 0 is static memory, starting with globals. (Example location of stack top, stack base, and start of dynamic memory).
- Then the stack.
- Then 'dynamic' memory for sbrk

```
GLOBALBASE = 1024;
```

Static memory

Meant for globals, and positions of ptrs in the program

```
// Line: 1730
STATICBASE = GLOBALBASE;
STATICTOP = STATICBASE + 5456; // Setting the top
STATICBUMP = 5456; //size of static memory
```

They weirdly then statically allocate for some other pointers. These functions are never called for this program. We may get rid of them for our purposes.

```
var tempDoublePtr = STATICTOP; STATICTOP += 16;
```

DYNAMICTOP_PTR = staticAlloc(4) // Sets the ptr where the location of dynamic memory starts.

After it sets the location where the dynamic ptr constant will be stored, it sets `STACK_BASE`, `STACKTOP`, `DYNAMIC_BASE`, finally it sets the dynamic ptr.

```
TOTAL_STACK=5242880 // Could be set via MODULE['TOTAL_STACK'];
STACK_BASE = STACKTOP = alignMemory(STATICTOP);
STACK_MAX = STACK_BASE + TOTAL_STACK;
```

```
DYNAMIC_BASE = alignMemory(STACK_MAX);
HEAP32[DYNAMICTOP_PTR>>2] = DYNAMIC_BASE;
```

staticAlloc()

- Uses STATICTOP allocate statically a given size, makes sure the result is 16 byte aligned.

```
function staticAlloc(size) {
    assert(!staticSealed);
    var ret = STATICTOP;
    STATICTOP = (STATICTOP + size + 15) & -16;
    return ret;
}
```

alignMemory()

- Aligns 16 byte align of memory, by taking ceiling, so in both cases above it increases the pointer by 16

```
const STACK_ALIGN = 16;
function alignMemory(size, factor) {
    if (!factor) factor = STACK_ALIGN; // stack alignment (16-byte) by default
    var ret = size = Math.ceil(size / factor) * factor;
    return ret;
}
```

In terms of Emscripten, there are three functions to allocate memory, they all come into play depending on the Runtime initialization. This all materializes in a function called `getMemory()`

```
function getMemory(size) {
    if (!staticSealed) return staticAlloc(size);
    if (!runtimeInitialized) return dynamicAlloc(size);
    return _malloc(size);
}
```

If the pointers for the stack and dynamic ptr is not ready, then staticAlloc, if the `runtimeInitialized` is false, which means the `_malloc` function from emscripten is not ready, then use `dynamicAlloc(size)`

abortStackOverflow(allocSize)

Function simple throws error when there is no more space in the stack. Thrown by every function if its the case. Note that Emscripten is smart enough to eliminate this call when it can statically

determined this is not true.

```
function abortStackOverflow(allocSize) {
  abort('Stack overflow! Attempted to allocate ' + allocSize + ' bytes on
the stack, but stack has only ' + (STACK_MAX - stackSave() + allocSize) +
' bytes available!');
}
```

__setErrNo(num)

```
function __setErrNo(value) {
  if (Module['__errno_location'])
    HEAP32[((Module['__errno_location']())>>2)]=value;
  else Module.printErr('failed to set errno from JS');
  return value;
}
```

This function simply sets the place for the error location inside the Emscripten WebAssembly memory. i.e. Each C function has a set of string errors it throws under particular circumstances, this functions just sets the location of those functions in memory using the `__errno_location` base address.

getTotalMemory()

- Simply returns the total_memory for the program, the emscripten program gives the user the option to either set this total memory, allow for the growth of it, etc. **dependencies**
- `TOTAL_MEMORY`

abortOnCannotGrowMemory

dependencies

- `abort()`
- `TOTAL_MEMORY`

```
function abortOnCannotGrowMemory() {
  abort('Cannot enlarge memory arrays. Either (1) compile with -s
TOTAL_MEMORY=X with X higher than the current value ' + TOTAL_MEMORY + ',
(2) compile with -s ALLOW_MEMORY_GROWTH=1 which allows increasing the
size at runtime, or (3) if you want malloc to return NULL (0) instead of
this abort, compile with -s ABORTING_MALLOC=0 ');
}
```

abortOnStackOverflow()

- Quits application when a stackoverflow happens **dependencies:**
- `abort()`

```
function abortStackOverflow(allocSize) {
  abort('Stack overflow! Attempted to allocate ' + allocSize + ' bytes on
the stack, but stack has only ' + (STACK_MAX - stackSave() + allocSize) +
' bytes available!');
}
```

enlargeMemory()

- Grows the Emscripten memory, now this is the most complicated functions, this functions has many dependencies and roles. **dependencies**
 - `HEAP32[DYNAMIC_PTR>>2]`
 - `TOTAL_MEMORY`
 - `Module["usingWasm"]`
 - `WASM_PAGE_SIZE` and `ASMJS_PAGE_SIZE`
 - `Module.printErr()`
 - `alignUp()`
 - `Module.reallocBuffer(TOTAL_MEMORY)` Reallocates all memory, returns old if not possible.
 - `updateGlobalBuffer()`
 - `updateGlobalBufferViews()`
 - `Module.usingWasm`
1. Checks the `DYNAMIC_PTR`, it should have been increased by now, sets the limit to one page short of 2gb
 2. Checks to see if the `HEAP[DYNAMIC_PTR>>2] > LIMIT`, if it is, throws error.
 3. Then proceeds to increase `TOTAL_MEMORY` towards 2GBs, if possible.
 4. Calls `Module.reallocBuffer(TOTAL_MEMORY)` to reallocate the buffer, and copy the data from the old to the new buffer.
 5. If error, prints error using `Module.printErr`
 6. Otherwise it calls `updateGlobalBuffer()` and `updateGlobalBufferViews()`
 7. Prints new memory, warning if is asmjs and finally returns.

updateGlobalBuffer & updateGlobalBufferViews()

```
function updateGlobalBuffer(buf) {
  Module['buffer'] = buffer = buf;
}

function updateGlobalBufferViews() {
  Module['HEAP8'] = HEAP8 = new Int8Array(buffer);
  Module['HEAP16'] = HEAP16 = new Int16Array(buffer);
  Module['HEAP32'] = HEAP32 = new Int32Array(buffer);
  Module['HEAPU8'] = HEAPU8 = new Uint8Array(buffer);
  Module['HEAPU16'] = HEAPU16 = new Uint16Array(buffer);
}
```

```
Module['HEAPU32'] = HEAPU32 = new Uint32Array(buffer);
Module['HEAPF32'] = HEAPF32 = new Float32Array(buffer);
Module['HEAPF64'] = HEAPF64 = new Float64Array(buffer);
}
```

reallocBuffer

```
var wasmReallocBuffer = function(size) {
  var PAGE_MULTIPLE = Module["usingWasm"] ? WASM_PAGE_SIZE :
  ASMJS_PAGE_SIZE; // In wasm, heap size must be a multiple of 64KB. In
  asm.js, they need to be multiples of 16MB.
  size = alignUp(size, PAGE_MULTIPLE); // round up to wasm page size
  var old = Module['buffer'];
  var oldSize = old.byteLength;
  if (Module["usingWasm"]) {
    // native wasm support
    try {
      var result = Module['wasmMemory'].grow((size - oldSize) /
  wasmPageSize); // .grow() takes a delta compared to the previous size
      if (result !== (-1 | 0)) {
        // success in native wasm memory growth, get the buffer from the
  memory
        return Module['buffer'] = Module['wasmMemory'].buffer;
      } else {
        return null;
      }
    } catch(e) {
      console.error('Module.reallocBuffer: Attempted to grow from ' +
  oldSize + ' bytes to ' + size + ' bytes, but got error: ' + e);
      return null;
    }
  }
};
```

MEMORY SET UP

```
var byteLength;
try {
  byteLength =
  Function.prototype.call.bind(Object.getOwnPropertyDescriptor(ArrayBuffer.p
  rototype, 'byteLength').get);
  byteLength(new ArrayBuffer(4)); // can fail on older ie
} catch(e) { // can fail on older node/v8
  byteLength = function(buffer) { return buffer.byteLength; };
}

var TOTAL_STACK = Module['TOTAL_STACK'] || 5242880;
```

```

var TOTAL_MEMORY = Module['TOTAL_MEMORY'] || 16777216;
if (TOTAL_MEMORY < TOTAL_STACK) Module.printErr('TOTAL_MEMORY should be
larger than TOTAL_STACK, was ' + TOTAL_MEMORY + '! (TOTAL_STACK=' +
TOTAL_STACK + ')');

// Initialize the runtime's memory
// check for full engine support (use string 'subarray' to avoid closure
compiler confusion)
assert(typeof Int32Array !== 'undefined' && typeof Float64Array !==
'undefined' && Int32Array.prototype.subarray !== undefined &&
Int32Array.prototype.set !== undefined,
        'JS engine does not provide full typed array support');

// Use a provided buffer, if there is one, or else allocate a new one
if (Module['buffer']) {
  buffer = Module['buffer'];
  assert(buffer.byteLength === TOTAL_MEMORY, 'provided buffer should be '
+ TOTAL_MEMORY + ' bytes, but it is ' + buffer.byteLength);
} else {
  // Use a WebAssembly memory where available
  if (typeof WebAssembly === 'object' && typeof WebAssembly.Memory ===
'function') {
    assert(TOTAL_MEMORY % WASM_PAGE_SIZE === 0);
    Module['wasmMemory'] = new WebAssembly.Memory({ 'initial':
TOTAL_MEMORY / WASM_PAGE_SIZE });
    buffer = Module['wasmMemory'].buffer;
  } else {
    buffer = new ArrayBuffer(TOTAL_MEMORY);
  }
  assert(buffer.byteLength === TOTAL_MEMORY);
  Module['buffer'] = buffer;
}
updateGlobalBufferViews();

```

Error Messages in Static Memory

Another consideration when dealing with WebAssembly is the error strings that are written down at start-up in static memory via the `data` WebAssembly construct. When dealing with your own library use the static offset to set the limit of your constant messages. Also, to the top of your static offset, make sure to set the `__errno_location()` function, (which could be set statically in JavaScript, if you only have one version of `wasm` This way it does not have to be imported from the WebAssembly instantiated module.).