

Memory Management Code Documentation

Overview

This document explains the implementation of a memory management system in C. The code manages a fixed-size memory array using a custom structure, 'struct data', to keep track of block metadata.

Code Listing

Below is the full implementation of the memory management code:

```
1 #include <stdio.h>
2 #include <stdbool.h>
3 #include <stdint.h>
4 #define MEMORY_SIZE 25000
5
6 struct data {
7     int size;
8     bool isAllocated;
9 }; //this struct describe block size and isallocate or not
10
11 char Memory[MEMORY_SIZE] = {0};
12
13 int MyCheck(int size) {
14     int i = 0;
15
16     while (i < MEMORY_SIZE) { //check full array
17         struct data *meta = (struct data *)&Memory[i];
18
19         if (meta->isAllocated) { // if block is allocated then move to next space
20             i = i + meta->size + sizeof(struct data);
21         }
22         else {
23             bool loopStatus = false;
24             int index;
25             for(index = i; index < (i + meta->size + sizeof(struct data)) && index <
MEMORY_SIZE; index++)
26                 { // if block is allocated then move to next space
27                     if (meta->isAllocated) {
28                         i = index;
29                         loopStatus = false;
30                         break;
31                     }
32                     loopStatus = true; //free space allocation flag
33                 }
34                 if (loopStatus) { // if has free space print details
35                     printf("Starting [status box]: %d\n", i);
36                     printf("Ending [box]: %d\n", i + size + sizeof(struct data) - 1);
37                     return i;
38                 }
39             }
40         }
41     return -1;
42 }
43
44 void SetBlock(int index, int size) {
45     struct data *meta = (struct data *)&Memory[index];
46     meta->size = size;
47     meta->isAllocated = true; } // update data
48
49 void *MyMalloc(int size) {
```

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50     int ptr = MyCheck(size);
51     if (ptr == -1) {
52         printf("Memory Allocation failed\n");
53         return NULL;
54     } else {
55         SetBlock(ptr, size);
56         return &Memory[ptr + sizeof(struct data)];
57     } // malloc function handle
58 }
59
60 void MyFree(void *ptr) {
61     if (ptr == NULL) {
62         printf("Invalid pointer. Nothing to free.\n");
63         return;
64     }
65
66     int blockStart = (char *)ptr - Memory - sizeof(struct data);
67
68     if (blockStart < 0 || blockStart >= MEMORY_SIZE) {
69         printf("Pointer out of bounds. Free failed.\n");
70         return;
71     }
72
73     struct data *meta = (struct data *)&Memory[blockStart];
74     if (!meta->isAllocated) {
75         printf("Memory block not allocated or already freed.\n");
76         return;
77     }
78
79     meta->isAllocated = false;
80     printf("Memory block starting at index %d has been freed.\n", blockStart);
81 } // free up the heap
82
83 int GetBlockSize(int index) {
84     struct data *meta = (struct data *)&Memory[index];
85     return meta->size;
86 }
87
88 int main() {
89     void *allocatedMemory = MyMalloc(1000);
90
91     if (allocatedMemory) {
92         printf("Memory allocated at address: %p\n", allocatedMemory);
93
94         struct data *meta = (struct data *)&Memory[0];
95         printf("Block Marker: [%d], Block Size: [%d]\n", meta->isAllocated, meta->size);
96     }
97
98     MyFree(allocatedMemory);
99
100    MyFree(allocatedMemory);
101
102    return 0;
103 }

```

Listing 1: Memory Management Code

Explanation of Components

Structure Definition

- struct data:
 - size: Specifies the size of the memory block.
 - isAllocated: A flag indicating whether the block is allocated or free.

Functions

- MyCheck(int size): Checks the memory array for a free block of sufficient size. Returns the starting index of the block if found, or -1 if no suitable block is available.

- `SetBlock(int index, int size)`: Updates the metadata at the given index to mark the block as allocated.
- `void *MyMalloc(int size)`: Allocates a block of memory of the specified size. If successful, returns a pointer to the usable memory; otherwise, returns `NULL`.
- `void MyFree(void *ptr)`: Frees the allocated memory block at the specified pointer.
- `int GetBlockSize(int index)`: Returns the size of the block at the specified index.

Usage Example

The `main()` function demonstrates the usage of `MyMalloc()` and `MyFree()`:

- Memory of size 1000 bytes is allocated using `MyMalloc()`.
- The metadata (block size and allocation status) is printed.
- The allocated memory is freed using `MyFree()`.
- A second attempt to free the same memory block is made to demonstrate error handling.

Output

Example output for the program:

```
Starting [status box]: 0
Ending [box]: 1035
Memory allocated at address: 0x55ccf1d04060
Block Marker: [1], Block Size: [1000]
Memory block starting at index 0 has been freed.
Memory block not allocated or already freed.
```