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# Chapter: OFASM interface

This chapter covers the definition of the OFASM interface and how to create it on different situations.

#### Section 1. Definition of OFASM interface

OFASM binary has it's own binary format (.asmo) and therefore is not compatible with the linux native binary (.so). Due to this fact, it is impossible to directly call or load between programs which are in OFASM binary format and native binary format.

To make the call or load happen, we need the OFASM interface.

There are three different types of OFASM interface

1. OFASM\_VM\_ENTRY

ofasm\_vm\_entry

- OFASM\_VM\_ENTRY interface enables the call from native program to OFASM program.
- Naming conventions of OFASM\_VM\_ENTRY
  - cpp naming convension: PGM\_OFASM\_VM\_ENTRY.cpp
  - so naming convension: PGM.so
- 2. OFASM VM EXIT

ofasm vm exit

- OFASM\_VM\_EXIT interface supports the call from OFASM program to native program.
- Naming conventions of OFASM VM EXIT
  - cpp naming convension: PGM\_OFASM\_VM\_EXIT.cpp
  - so naming convension : PGM\_OFASM\_VM\_EXIT.so

#### 3. OFASM\_VM\_LOAD

ofasm vm load

- OFASM\_VM\_LOAD interface is for EXEC CICS LOAD command used in native program.
- Naming conventions of OFASM VM LOAD
  - cpp naming convension: PGM\_OFASM\_VM\_LOAD.cpp
  - so naming convension: PGM OFASM VM LOAD.so
- Please note that the program must be defined as ASSEMBLER in the online SD (System Definition) to use OFASM\_VM\_LOAD interface.

## Section 2. OFASM interface implementation

This section demonstrate how to implement the OFASM interface.

#### 1. OFASM\_VM\_ENTRY

OFASM VM ENTRY interface supports static and dynamic parameter list.

1.1 Static parameter list (fixed parameter list)

For static parameter list, the parameter information gets fixed in compile time. In this case, you need to manually define the number of the parameters and length of the each parameter.

```
example)
```

```
#include <stdlib.h>
#include <string.h>
#include <arpa/inet.h>

struct ofasm_param

{
    long long length;
    long long elemCnt;
    char *addr;

char *elemListAddr;
};
```

```
13 extern int OFASM VM ENTRY(const char *progName, ofasm_param
     param[], int paramCnt); // DEPRECATED
14 extern int OFASM_VM_ENTRY(const char *progName, const char
     *entryName, ofasm param param[], int paramCnt);
15
16 extern "C"
17 {
18
19 extern int ofcom_call_parm_get(int index, char* func_name, int
     *count, int **size_list);
20
21 /** @fn
                 int PGM(char *p0)
                 Enter OFASM VM entry method
22 *
      @brief
23 *
      @details
                 Make up of asm parameters and then enter OFASM VM
     entry using entry name
                p0 Oth parameter in PLIST
      @params
24 *
25 */
26 int PGM(char *p0)
27 {
      /* declare local arguments */
28
29
      int rc;
      int paramCnt;
30
      ofasm param param [1];
31
32
33
      /* set params */
      param[0].length = 30;
34
      param[0].addr = p0;
35
      param [0] . elemListAddr = NULL;
36
      param[0].elemCnt = 0;
37
38
      /* set param count */
39
40
      paramCnt = 1;
41
      /* call VM */
42
      rc = OFASM VM ENTRY("PGM", "PGM", param, paramCnt);
43
      return rc:
44
45 }
46
47 }
```

#### 1.2 Dynamic parameter list (variable parameter list)

The dynamic parameter list set the parameters at runtime based on the caller's call statement. This feature can be used only when '-enable-ofasm' is used in OFCOBOL or OFPLI.

```
1 #include <stdlib.h>
```

```
2 #include <string.h>
3 #include <arpa/inet.h>
5 struct ofasm param
      long long length;
      long long elemCnt;
8
      char *addr;
      char *elemListAddr;
10
11 };
12
13 extern int OFASM VM ENTRY(const char *progName, ofasm_param
     param[], int paramCnt); // DEPRECATED
14 extern int OFASM_VM_ENTRY(const char *progName, const char
     *entryName, ofasm_param param[], int paramCnt);
15
16 extern "C"
17 {
18
19 extern int ofcom call parm get(int index, char* func name, int
     *count, int **size list);
20
21 /** @fn
                 int PGM()
22 *
      @brief
                 Enter OFASM VM entry method
23 * Odetails Make up ofasm parameters and then enter OFASM VM
     entry using entry name
24 */
25 int PGM()
26 {
      /* declare local arguments */
27
      int rc;
28
      int paramCnt;
29
      char prgName[64] = \{0\};
30
      int *sizeList;
31
      ofasm_param param[0];
32
33
      /* set params */
34
35
      /* set param count */
36
      paramCnt = 0;
37
      /* call VM */
38
      rc = OFASM_VM_ENTRY("PGM", "PGM", param, paramCnt);
39
40
      return rc;
41 }
42
```

## 2. OFASM\_VM\_EXIT

Specify the number of parameters being passed to the native program.

example)

```
1 #include <stdlib.h>
2 #include <string.h>
3 #include <arpa/inet.h>
4
5 extern "C"
6 {
7
8 extern int PGM(char* p0);
10 int PGM_OFASM_VM_EXIT(char* p0)
11 {
12
      /* call VM */
      int rc = PGM(p0);
13
      return rc;
14
15 }
16
17 }
```

#### 3. OFASM\_VM\_LOAD

OFASM\_VM\_LOAD will require two function to be implemented.

- 3.1 PGM\_OFASM\_VM\_LOAD\_SIZE This function is intended to return the byte size of the loaded asm program.
- 3.2 PGM\_OFASM\_VM\_LOAD\_COPY This function is intended the loaded assembler program into native memory.

example)

```
1 #include <stdlib.h>
2 #include <string.h>
3 #include <arpa/inet.h>
4 #include <stdio.h>
5
6 extern "C"
7 {
```

```
9 int PGM OFASM VM LOAD SIZE(int asm size)
10 {
11
      return asm_size;
12 }
13
14 int PGM OFASM VM LOAD COPY(char *asm ptr, char *cob ptr, int
     asm size)
15 {
      memcpy(cob_ptr, asm_ptr, asm_size);
16
17
      return 0;
18 }
19
20 }
```

## Section 3. Handling pointer type variables in the OFASM interface

Handling pointer type variable in OFASM interface can be very tricky. Since the OFASM VM uses it's own virtualized memory, you need to convert the address value when

## Section 4. Using ofasmif to generate OFASM interface

You can automatically generate OFASM\_VM\_ENTRY interface using ofasmif tool. ofasmif require JSON formatted input which describes the interface. For more information, please refer to Chapter 2. Assembler Interface Development on Open-Frame\_ASM\_4\_User\_Guide\_v2.1.2\_en.pdf manual.

# Section 5. Examples

### Example 1. Native -> OFASM -> Native call

https://github.com/tmaxsoft-us/ofasm/tree/master/sample/CALL