

Soundness requires PL responsibility

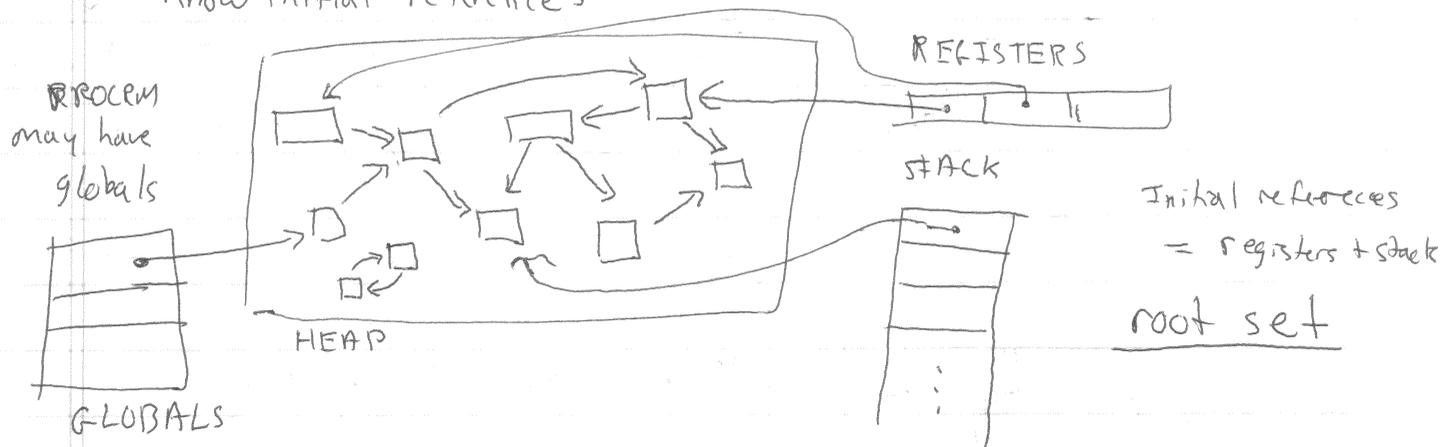
- too control of pointers (i.e. opaque)

~> this, no ptr arithmetic

- know data structure layout AT RUNTIME

↳ start objects with unique tag (i.e. 0x01 is DLL, 0x02 is free, etc)

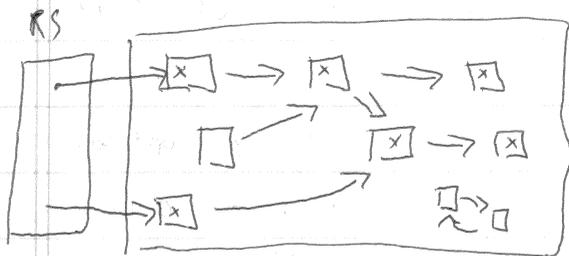
- know initial references



- Freeable = no ptr path from root set to object (Dead)

- Live = a path exists

John McCarthy made first sound mem (Mark & Sweep)



Step 1: Mark live stuff

Step 2: Look at everything and
remove xs and delete unmarked

dead = garbage = collected in step 2

Memory = negligible with page-based algorithm

Time = $O(\text{live}) + O(\text{mem}) + \lg n m/f$

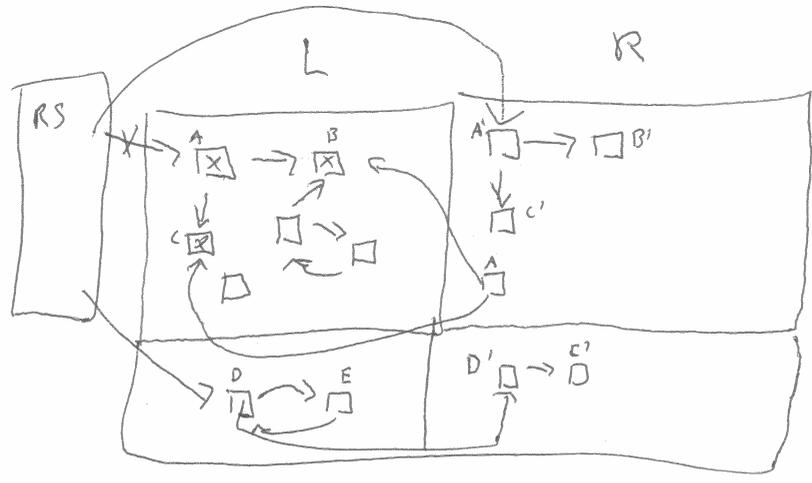
Boehm GC for C (a conservative collector because it
guesses what pointers are)

cc -lgc

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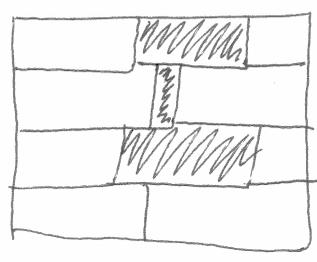
Time-optimal

Stop & Copy

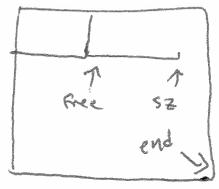


Step 1: Copy live stuff
 Update references
 Replace old w/ ptr to new
 Treat R as L and L as R
 Step 2: none!

Mem = 2x Time = O(live) + O(1) m + O(1) f



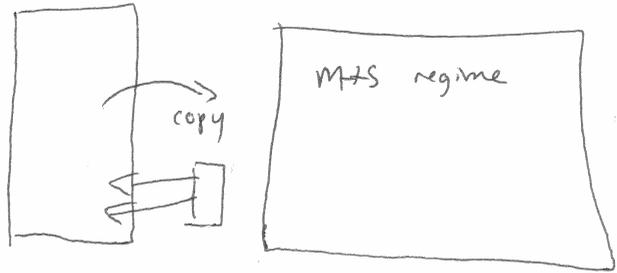
M+S, Manual, RC have fragmentation



malloc(sz)
 if free + sz < end
~~return~~ free += sz;
 ret free - sz
 O.w. gc(); malloc(sz)

Why "Stop"? M+S has a pauseless version of a real-time

Allocate a STC-like system



memory-optimal
 time - alloc is O(1)
 N stc is O(live)
 memory M+S is O(mem)

Generational collection

Radiative Decay Model

