

LTO BoF

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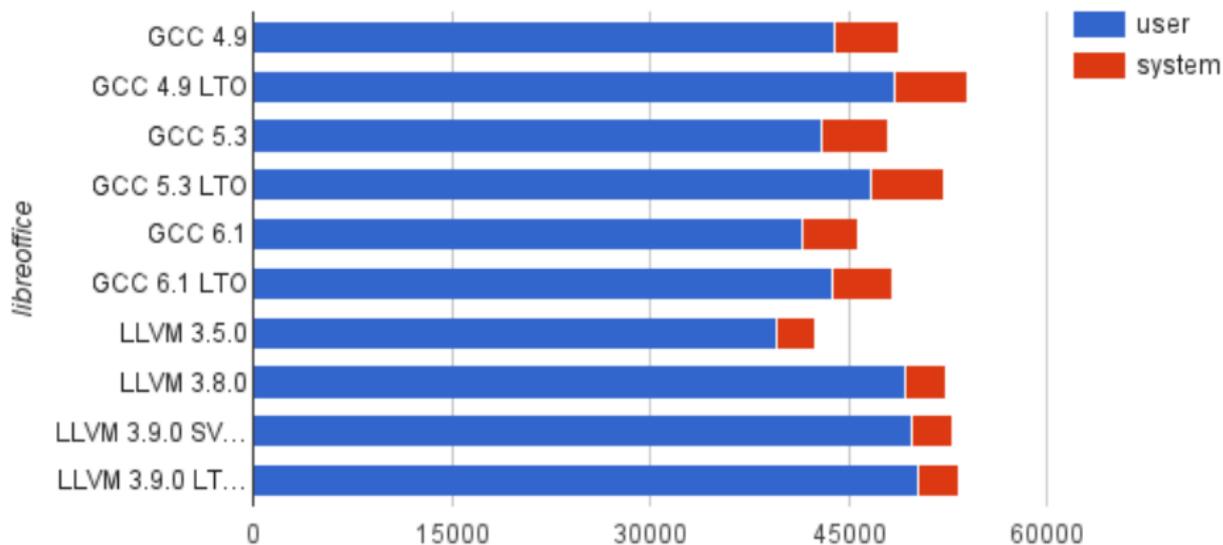
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Summary of LTO work in GCC 6

- Duplicated declarations in symbol table (warning/error attributes, `-D_FORTIFY_SOURCE=2`)
- Type merging (C/Fortran interoperability audit, better TBAA)
- Invalid type punning on global variables and declarations is now reported with `-Wodr-type-mismatch`.
- The size of LTO object files was reduced by about 11% (measured by compiling Firefox 46.0).
- Link-time parallelization improvements (66% for firefox).
- The linker plugin was extended to pass information about type of binary produced to GCC back end.
- Basic support for incremental linking (by producing final code at `ld -r` time).

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- TODO:
 - move CHKP infrastructure to duplicated declarations
 - More type merging fixes for Fortran
 - Tuning/benchmarking in stage3