



LLVM Multicall Driver

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What is the multicall driver

- Many tools linked into one binary
 - Like “busybox”
- One binary called just `llvm` and we install tools like `clang` as a symlink to it
- Convenience of static linking with the size of a dynamically linked toolchain
 - Some tools have a lot of overlap. `clang-scan-deps` was 112M standalone and less than 1M added size to the driver binary
- We aim to ship a new toolchain weekly
 - For some users this cadence was high to be downloading an entire toolchain
- Saved over 860M in binary size
 - 1.5G to 640M

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llvm/tools/sancov/CMakeLists.txt
@@ -20,4 +20,5 @@ add_llvm_tool(sancov
20 20
21 21     DEPENDS
22 22     SancovOptsTableGen
23 + GENERATE_DRIVER
23 24 )

llvm/tools/sancov/sancov.cpp
@@ -38,6 +38,7 @@
38 38 #include "llvm/Support/FileSystem.h"
39 39 #include "llvm/Support/InitLLVM.h"
40 40 #include "llvm/Support/JSON.h"
41 + #include "llvm/Support/LLVMDriver.h"
41 42 #include "llvm/Support/MD5.h"
42 43 #include "llvm/Support/MemoryBuffer.h"
43 44 #include "llvm/Support/Path.h"

@@ -1221,7 +1222,7 @@ static void parseArgs(int Argc, char **Argv) {
1221 1222     ClIgnorelist = Args.getLastArgValue(OPT_ignorelist_EQ);
1222 1223 }
1223 1224

1224 - int main(int Argc, char **Argv) {
1225 + int sancov_main(int Argc, char **Argv, const llvm::ToolContext &) {
```

How to use

```
22 22 set(LLVM_INCLUDE_DOCS OFF CACHE BOOL "")
23 23 set(LLVM_INCLUDE_EXAMPLES OFF CACHE BOOL "")
24 24 set(LLVM_STATIC_LINK_CXX_STDLIB ON CACHE BOOL "")
25 + set(LLVM_TOOL_LLVM_DRIVER_BUILD ON CACHE BOOL "")
25 26 set(LLVM_USE_RELATIVE_PATHS_IN_FILES ON CACHE BOOL "")
26 27
27 28 if(WIN32)
    ↓
    ↑
@@ -292,6 +293,7 @@ set(LLVM_TOOLCHAIN_TOOLS
292 293 llvm-cxxfilt
293 294 llvm-debuginfod-find
294 295 llvm-dlltool
296 + llvm-driver
295 297 llvm-dwarfdump
296 298 llvm-dwp
297 299 llvm-ifs
```

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```
32     if(WIN32)
33         set(FUCHSIA_DISABLE_DRIVER_BUILD ON)
34     endif()
35
36     if (NOT FUCHSIA_DISABLE_DRIVER_BUILD)
37         set(LLVM_TOOL_LLVM_DRIVER_BUILD ON CACHE BOOL "")
38         set(LLVM_DRIVER_TARGET llvm-driver)
39     endif()
```

Issues we ran into rolling out

- Hardcoded expectation that `clang` is a symlink to `clang-{ver}`
- `clang -### -canonical-prefixes`
 - The output of this looks like `{full_path}/llvm clang ...`
 - `-canonical-prefixes` instructs clang to take the realpath of itself, which in the driver build will point to `llvm`
 - Another hardcoded expectation that the binary clang invokes will be called `clang`

Remaining tools

- Not all tools are part of the multicall driver
- Global `cl::opt`'s with the same value can't be linked together
 - We need to first transition tools to use `OptTable` before we can add them to the driver build
 - Clang's use of `cl::opt` objects in passes is fine because these names are unique and will not conflict with other tools
- Many clang tools left
 - These use `clang::tooling::CommonOptionsParser` which expects that options are parsed with `llvm::cl`
 - These tools are not generally large so we haven't prioritized this work

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