Improvement of a memory profiling tool : MALT

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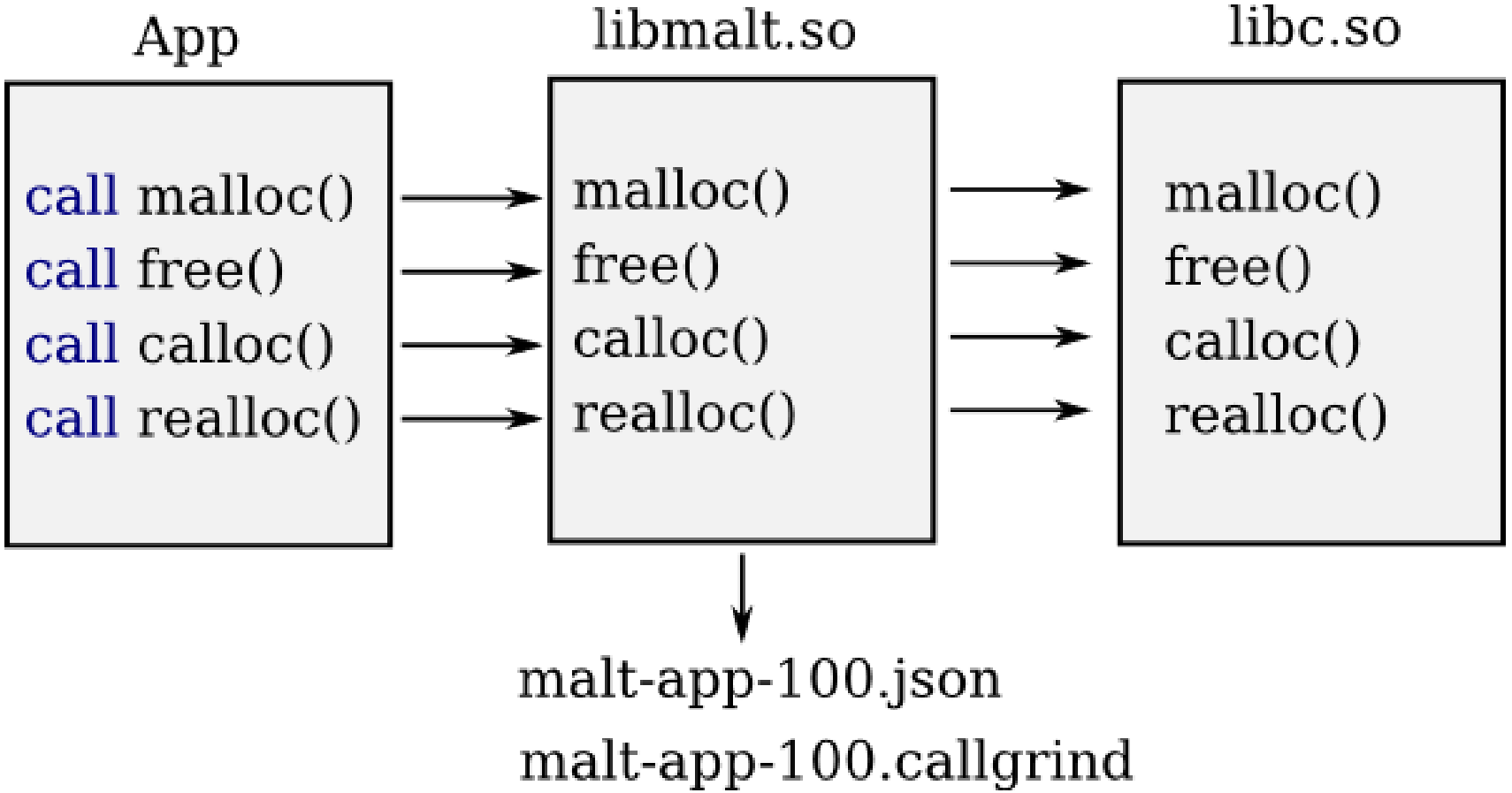
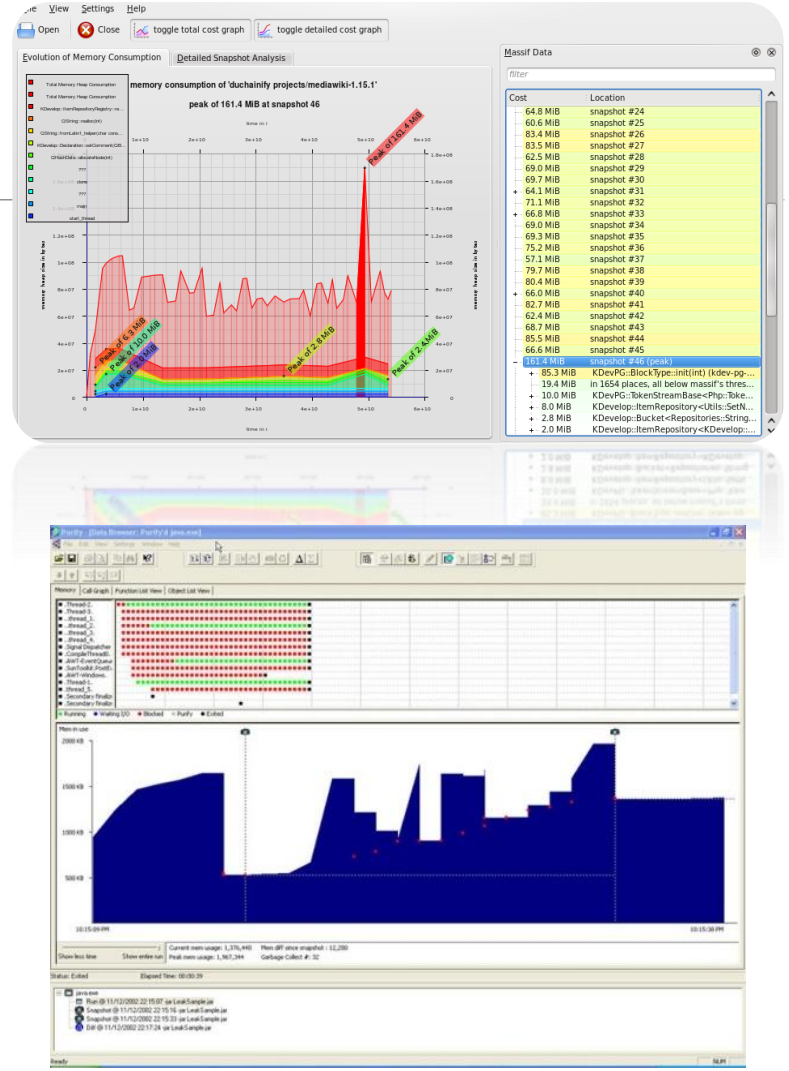


Use LD_PRELOAD to intercept malloc/free/…

Similar Tools

- Valgrind – massif
- Valgrind – memcheck
- Google heap profiler
- IBM Purify++ / Parasoft Insure++
- TAU memory profiler
- Kcachegrind *(visualization)*



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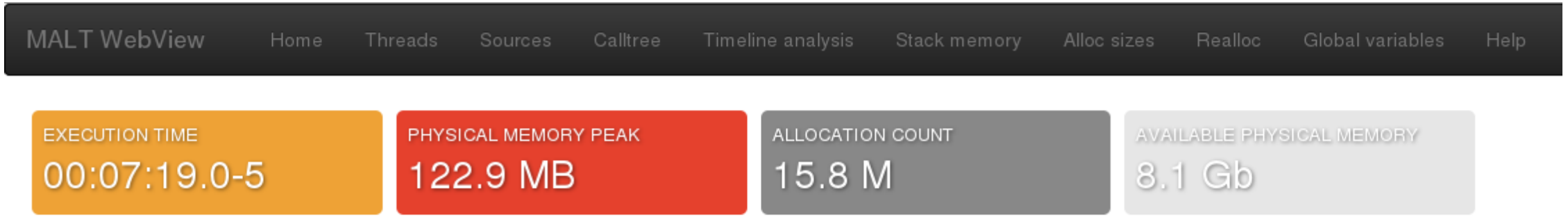

Run description

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Commande :	`./wholeNuclearDNA`
Tool :	malt-0.0.0
Host :	pclhcb126.cern.ch
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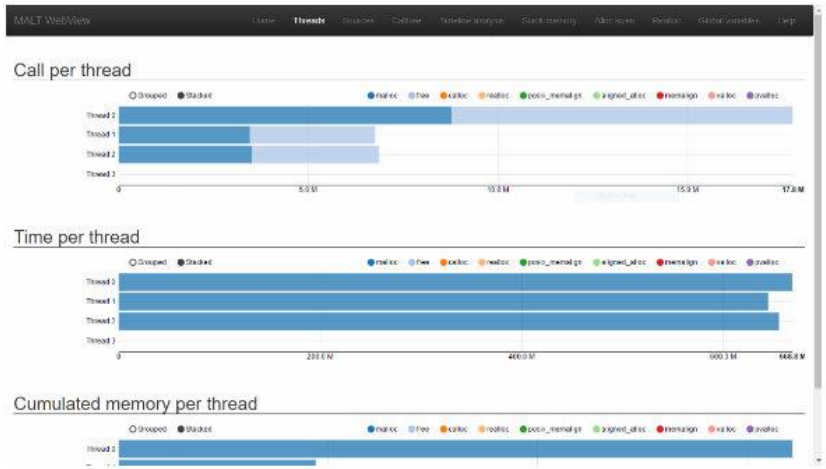
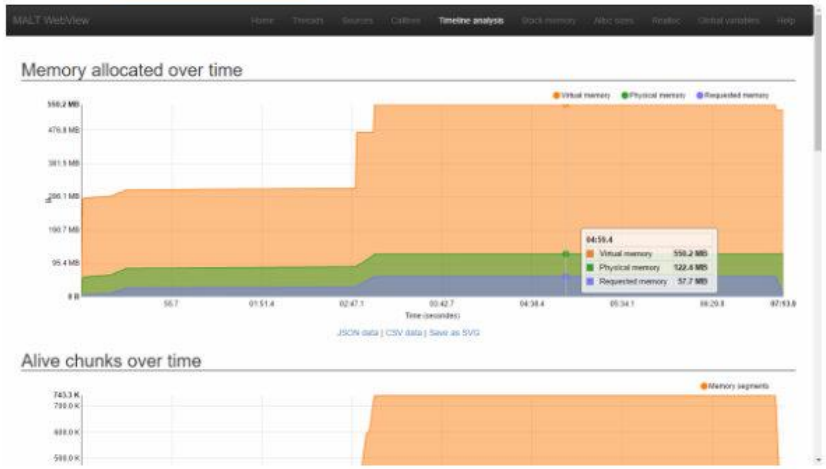
Execution time :	00:07:19.0-5
Ticks frequency :	3.6 GHz

Threads



Alloc Sizes

Timeline analysis



Realloc

Stack Memory

Global Variables

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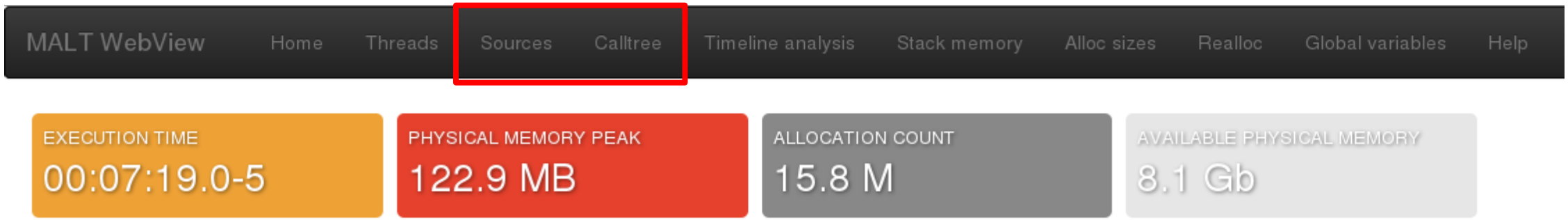

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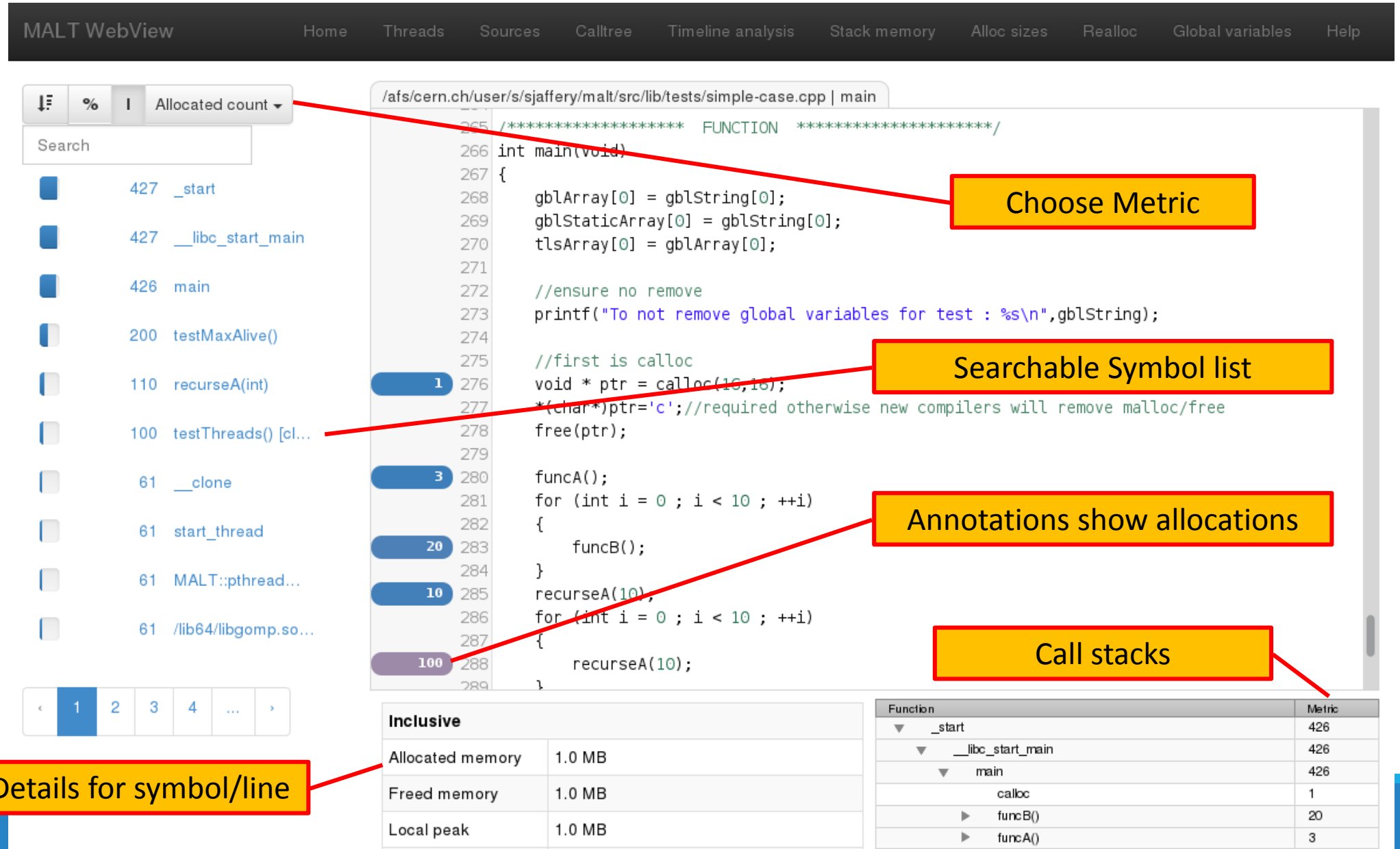
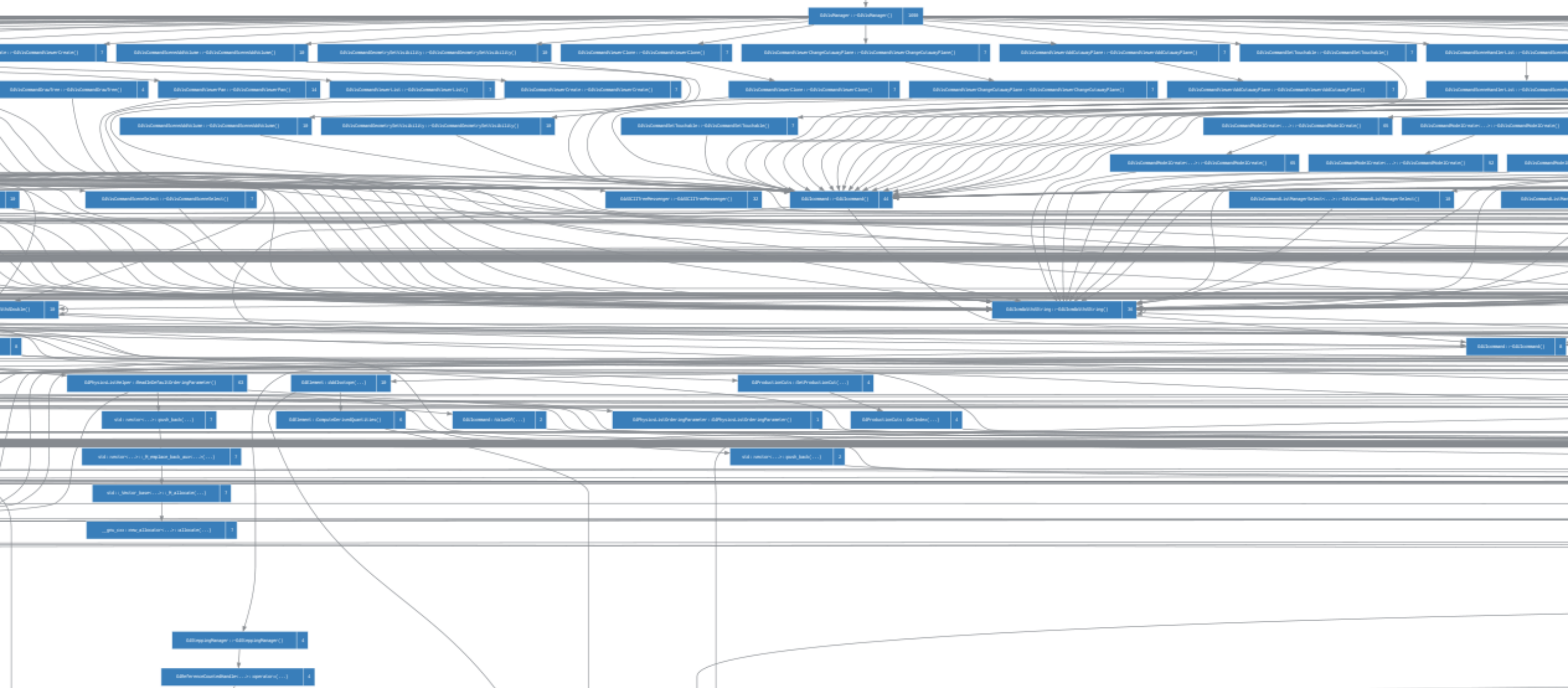
Source Viewer



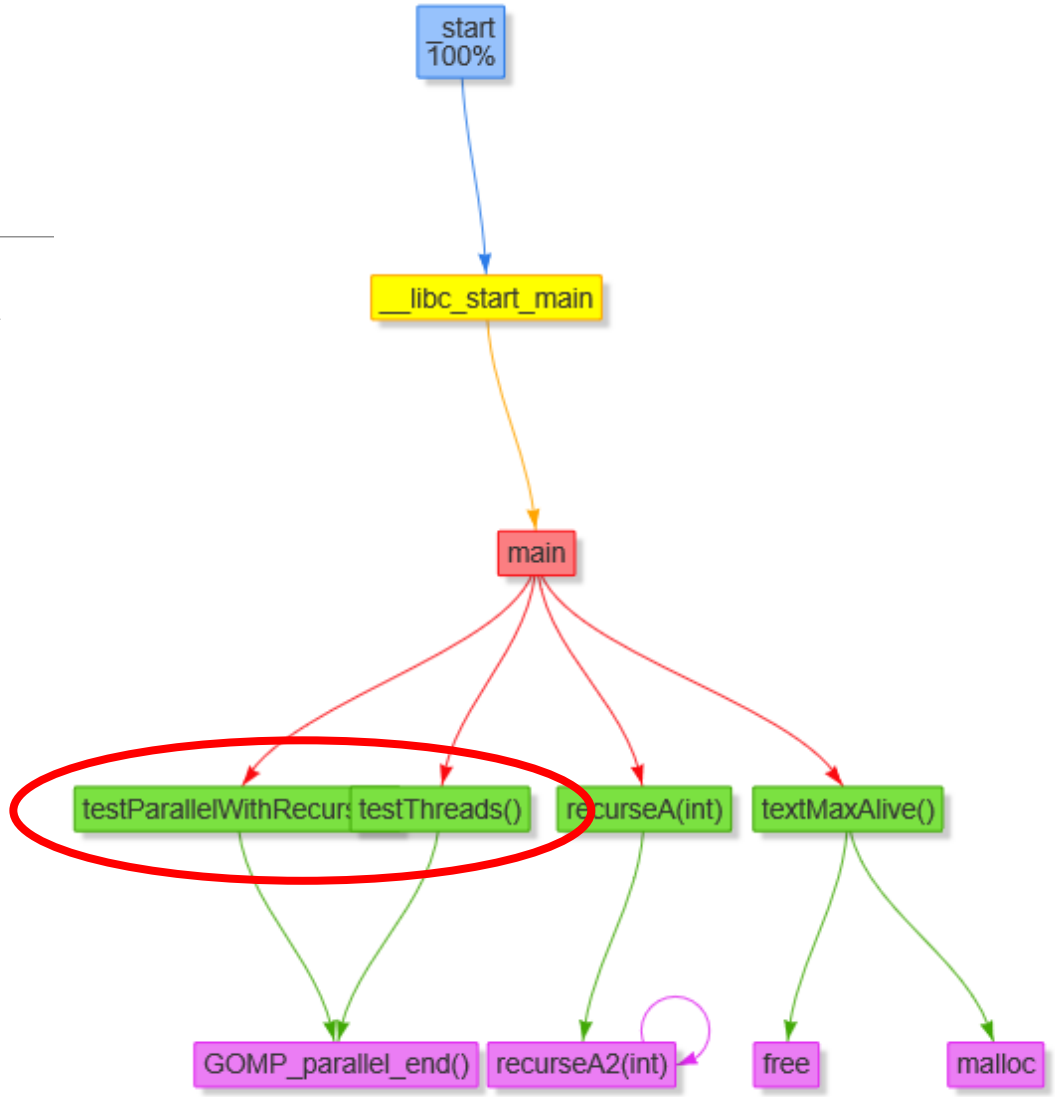
Call Tree

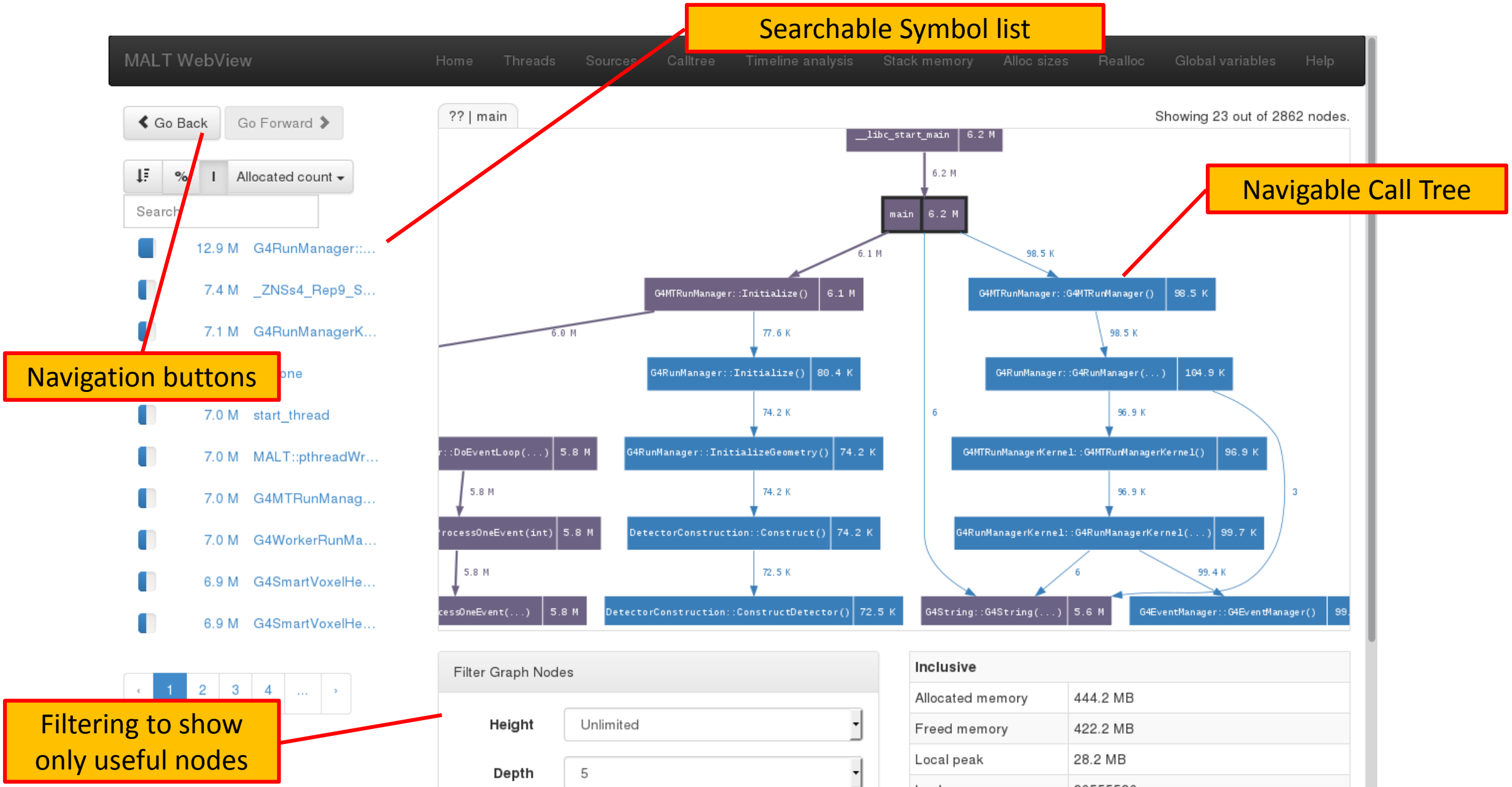
(<10% part of a Geant4 Simulation's call tree)



Call Tree: Problems

- No JavaScript library produces usable network graph *for large no. of nodes*
- We tried
  - **D3.js** (force directed graphs: overlap of nodes, bad layout)
  - **Vis.js** (network graphs: overlap of nodes, no cycles)
  - **Viz.js** (a GraphViz port for browser so very heavy: browser often crashes)
- So now we filter and render data on server-side using Graphviz

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Navigation buttons
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Navigable Call Tree
__libc_start_main 6.2 M
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G4String::G4String(...) 5.6 M
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Filtering to show only useful nodes
Filter Graph Nodes
Height
Unlimited
Depth
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Node Cost
1%
Inclusive
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Freed memory 422.2 MB
Local peak 28.2 MB
Leaks 29555526
6.2 M alloc [1 B , 75 B , 156.3 KB]
6.0 M free [4 B , 74 B , 156.3 KB]

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‹ 1 2 3 4 ... ›

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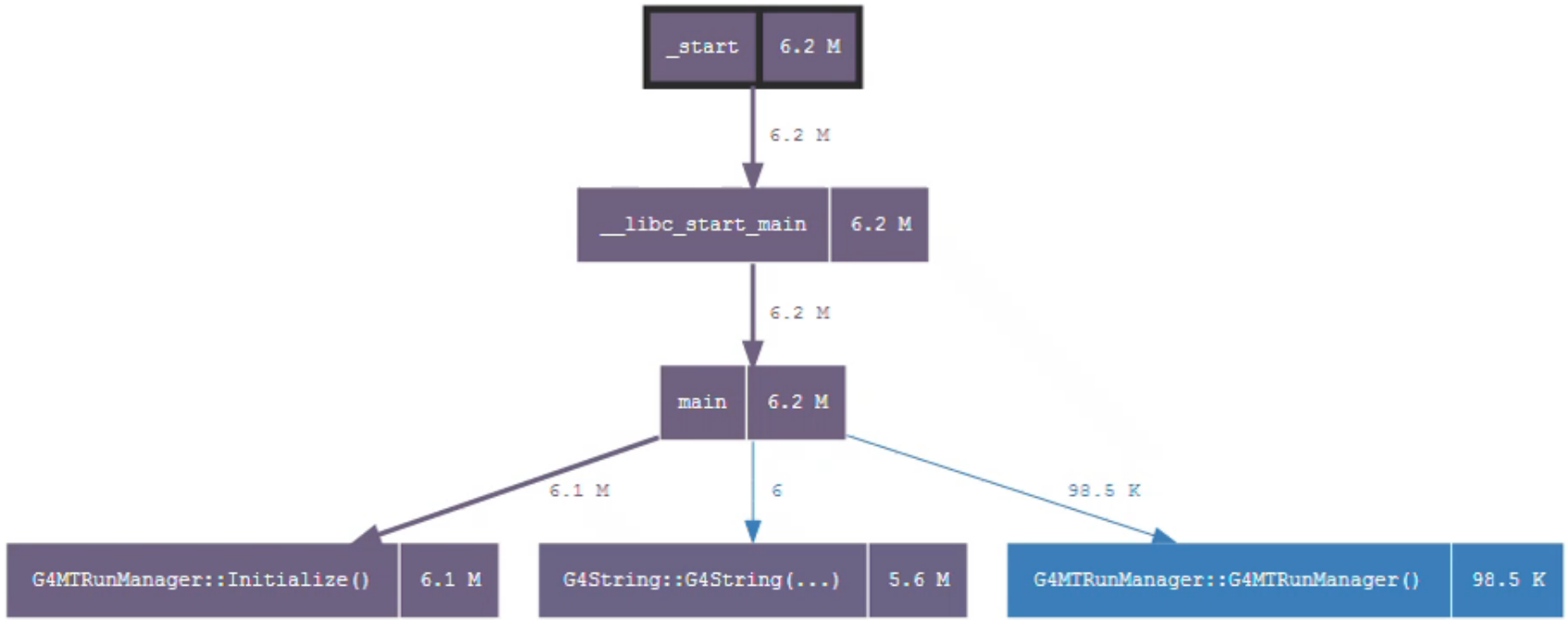
Showing 6 out of 2862 nodes.



Filter Graph Nodes

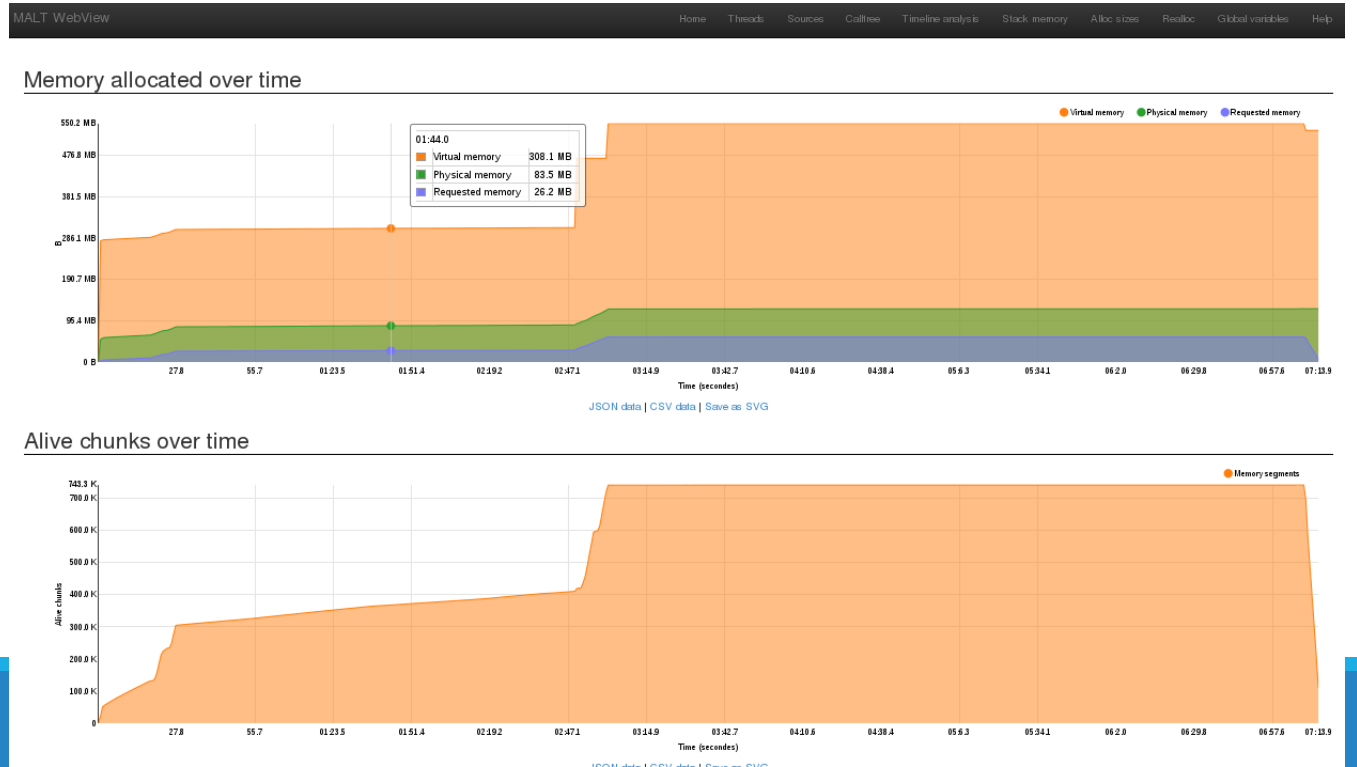
Height Unlimited

Depth 3

Inclusive	
Allocated memory	444.2 MB
Freed memory	468.3 MB
Local peak	28.2 MB
Leaks	29556599

Future Work

- Improve performance for **larger Call Trees**
- Add support for **trace visualization** in the web view



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