

Memory and Deadlock Practice Questions

Q1: Assume that in a certain computer, the virtual addresses are 64 bits long and the physical addresses are 48 bits long. The memory is word addressable. The page size is 8 kB and the word size is 4 bytes. The Translation Look-aside Buffer (TLB) in the address translation path has 128 valid entries. At most how many distinct virtual addresses can be translated without any TLB miss?

Q2: Consider a computer system with 40-bit virtual addressing and page size of sixteen kilobytes. If the computer system has a one-level page table per process and each page table entry requires 48 bits, then the size of the per-process page table is _____ megabytes.

Q3: A computer system implements 8 kilobyte pages and a 32-bit physical address space. Each page table entry contains a valid bit, a dirty bit, three permission bits, and the translation. If the maximum size of the page table of a process is 24 megabytes, the length of the virtual address supported by the system is _____ bits.

Q4: Assume that there are 3-page frames which are initially empty. If the page reference string is 1, 2, 3, 4, 2, 1, 5, 3, 2, 4, 6, the number of page faults using the optimal replacement policy is _____.

Q5: Consider a paging hardware with a TLB. Assume that the entire page table and all the pages are in the physical memory. It takes 10 milliseconds to search the TLB and 80 milliseconds to access the physical memory. If the TLB hit ratio is 0.6, the effective memory access time (in milliseconds) is

Q6 Consider the virtual page reference string 1, 2, 3, 2, 4, 1, 3, 2, 4, 1 On a demand paged virtual memory system running on a computer system that main memory size of 3 pages frames which are initially empty. Find the the number of page faults under the corresponding page replacements policy.: LRU, FIFO and OPTIMAL denote

Q7 A system uses FIFO policy for page replacement. It has 4 page frames with no pages loaded to begin with. The system first accesses 100 distinct pages in some order and then accesses the same 100 pages but now in the reverse order. How many page faults will occur?

Q8: A process has been allocated 3 page frames. Assume that none of the pages of the process are available in the memory initially. The process makes the following sequence of page references (reference string): 1, 2, 1, 3, 7, 4, 5, 6, 3, 1 If optimal page replacement policy is used, how many page faults occur for the above reference string?

Q9: In a virtual memory system, size of virtual address is 32-bit, size of physical address is 30-bit, page size is 16 Kbyte and size of each page table entry is 32-bit. The main memory is byte addressable. Which one of the following is the maximum number of bits that can be used for storing protection and other information in each page table entry?

Q10: Consider six memory partitions of size 200 KB, 400 KB, 600 KB, 500 KB, 300 KB and 250 KB. These partitions need to be allocated to four processes of sizes 357 KB, 210 KB, 468 KB and 491 KB in that order.

Perform the allocation of processes using-

1. First Fit Algorithm
2. Best Fit Algorithm
3. Worst Fit Algorithm

Q11 Free memory holes of sizes 15K, 10K, 5K, 25K, 30K, 40K are available. The processes of size 12K, 2K, 25K, 20K is to be allocated. How processes are placed in first fit, best fit, worst fit. Calculate internal as well as external fragmentation.

Q12: System snapshot:

	Max	Allocation	Available
	A B C	A B C	A B C
P ₀	0 0 1	0 0 1	
P ₁	1 7 5	1 0 0	
P ₂	2 3 5	1 3 5	
P ₃	0 6 5	0 6 3	
Total		2 9 9	1 5 2

- How many resources are there of type (A, B, C)?
- What are the contents of the Need matrix?
- Is the system in a safe state? Why?
- If a request from process P₁ arrives for additional resources of (0, 5, 2), can the Banker's algorithm grants the request immediately?
- What would be the new system state after the allocation?

Q13: Consider the following snapshot-

	Allocated				Max				Available			
	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D	A	B	C	D
P ₀	0	0	1	2	0	0	1	2	1	5	2	0
P ₁	1	0	0	0	1	7	5	0				
P ₂	1	3	5	4	2	3	5	6				
P ₃	0	6	3	2	0	6	5	2				
P ₄	0	0	1	4	0	6	5	6				

Answer the following questions using banker's algorithm:

- What are contents of matrix end?
- Is the system in safe state?
- If request for process p₁ arrives for (0, 4, 2, 0). Can the request be granted immediately?

Q14: A system shares 9 tape drives. The current allocation and maximum requirement of tape drives for 4 processes are shown below:

Process	Maximum need	Current allocation
P ₁	9	3
P ₂	6	1
P ₃	5	3
P ₄	10	0

Describe the current status of the system as safe or unsafe.