

EOPSY
MEMORY MANAGEMENT

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General idea:

The aim of the laboratory task was to configure and run a memory management simulator. We had to edit two files "commands" and "memory.conf" by setting a proper configuration. We observed the results in a file named "traceline" and on a graphical simulator which allowed to watch memory mapping in real time.

The task was to map any 8 pages of physical memory to the first 8 pages of virtual memory. In real world physical memory addresses are not mapped in the same addresses as in virtual memory it means that such a simulation gives a more realistic scenario. Then the case was to read each of the 64 virtual pages from one virtual memory address and try to find out which virtual memory addresses will cause page faults. Additional question was, which kind of replacement algorithm was used in this simulation.

Files configuration:

memory.conf
memset 0 1 0 0 0 0
memset 1 5 0 0 0 0
memset 2 8 0 0 0 0
memset 3 14 0 0 0 0
memset 4 17 0 0 0 0
memset 5 23 0 0 0 0
memset 6 26 0 0 0 0
memset 7 27 0 0 0 0
enable_logging true
log_file ../../tracefile
pagesize 16384
addressradix 10
numpages 64

Parameters description:

Keyword	Description
memset	performs mapping between virtual page and physical page
enable_logging	'true' or 'false' turn on / off logs
log_file	path to log file and name
pagesize	Page size, default 2^{14} and cannot be greater than 2^{26}
addressradix	Sets the radix in which numerical values are displayed
numpages	Sets number of pages (physical and virtual)

In my case the **pagesize** is **16384** and this is important information for proper configuration "commands" file.

In "commands" file we set addresses of each virtual page that we will be read. Because the size of page is **16384** address of each page will be (**16384** *i) where i = 0,1,2...63.

commands		
READ 0	READ 360448	READ 720896
READ 16384	READ 376832	READ 737280
READ 32768	READ 393216	READ 753664
READ 49152	READ 409600	READ 770048
READ 65536	READ 425984	READ 786432
READ 81920	READ 442368	READ 802816
READ 98304	READ 458752	READ 819200
READ 114688	READ 475136	READ 835584
READ 131072	READ 491520	READ 851968
READ 147456	READ 507904	READ 868352
READ 163840	READ 524288	READ 884736
READ 180224	READ 540672	READ 901120
READ 196608	READ 557056	READ 917504
READ 212992	READ 573440	READ 933888
READ 229376	READ 589824	READ 950272
READ 245760	READ 606208	READ 966656
READ 262144	READ 622592	READ 983040
READ 278528	READ 638976	READ 999424
READ 294912	READ 655360	READ 1015808
READ 311296	READ 671744	READ 1032192
READ 327680	READ 688128	
READ 344064	READ 704512	

My mapping:

Virutal Page	PhysicalPage
0	1
1	5
2	8
3	14
4	17
5	23
6	26
7	27

Because of the number of physical pages in simulation was 32 and the number of virtual memory pages was set by me to 64 the page fault can be observed. In case when the number of virtual memory pages and physical pages is equal the page fault would not be observe.

Predict page faults:

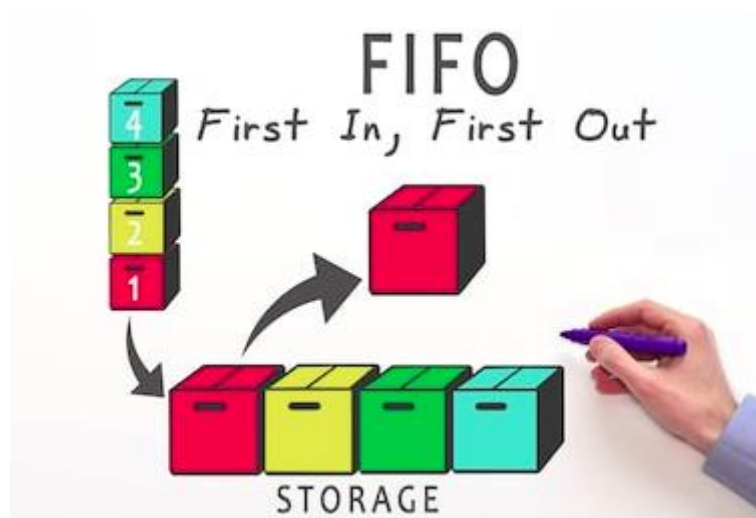
First page fault occurs when want to map virtual memory address to physical memory address but there is no more available space in physical memory. It means that some of memory address have to be swap to our external memory to make space for currently need it memory.

tracefile		
READ 0 ... okay	READ 344064 ... okay	READ 704512 ... page fault
READ 16384 ... okay	READ 360448 ... okay	READ 720896 ... page fault
READ 32768 ... okay	READ 376832 ... okay	READ 737280 ... page fault
READ 49152 ... okay	READ 393216 ... okay	READ 753664 ... page fault
READ 65536 ... okay	READ 409600 ... okay	READ 770048 ... page fault
READ 81920 ... okay	READ 425984 ... okay	READ 786432 ... page fault
READ 98304 ... okay	READ 442368 ... okay	READ 802816 ... page fault
READ 114688 ... okay	READ 458752 ... okay	READ 819200 ... page fault
READ 131072 ... okay	READ 475136 ... okay	READ 835584 ... page fault
READ 147456 ... okay	READ 491520 ... okay	READ 851968 ... page fault
READ 163840 ... okay	READ 507904 ... okay	READ 868352 ... page fault
READ 180224 ... okay	READ 524288 ... page fault	READ 884736 ... page fault
READ 196608 ... okay	READ 540672 ... page fault	READ 901120 ... page fault
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READ 278528 ... okay	READ 622592 ... page fault	READ 983040 ... page fault
READ 294912 ... okay	READ 638976 ... page fault	READ 999424 ... page fault
READ 311296 ... okay	READ 655360 ... page fault	READ 1015808 ... page fault
READ 327680 ... okay	READ 671744 ... page fault	READ 1032192 ... page fault
	READ 688128 ... page fault	

Finished simulation:

Memory Management					
virtual	physical	virtual	physical	time: 640 (ns)	
page 0		page 32	page 1		
page 1		page 33	page 5	instruction: READ	
page 2		page 34	page 8	address: 1032192	
page 3		page 35	page 14		
page 4		page 36	page 17	page fault: YES	
page 5		page 37	page 23		
page 6		page 38	page 26	virtual page: 63	
page 7		page 39	page 27	physical page: -1	
page 8		page 40	page 8	R: 0	
page 9		page 41	page 9	M: 0	
page 10		page 42	page 10	inMemTime: 0	
page 11		page 43	page 11	lastTouchTime: 0	
page 12		page 44	page 12	low: 1032192	
page 13		page 45	page 13	high: 1048575	
page 14		page 46	page 14		
page 15		page 47	page 15		
page 16		page 48	page 16		
page 17		page 49	page 17		
page 18		page 50	page 18		
page 19		page 51	page 19		
page 20		page 52	page 20		
page 21		page 53	page 21		
page 22		page 54	page 22		
page 23		page 55	page 23		
page 24		page 56	page 24		
page 25		page 57	page 25		
page 26		page 58	page 26		
page 27		page 59	page 27		
page 28		page 60	page 28		
page 29		page 61	page 29		
page 30		page 62	page 30		
page 31		page 63	page 31		

In this simulation was used FIFO algorithm which represents below image:



As the picture shows the FIFO algorithm work in such a way that the first added element to the queue is also the first element which is remove when it is necessary.

FIFO algorithm is not very efficient because it does not make a difference between pages frequently. Much better algorithm might be e.g. LRU or priority queue.

