Chapter 4

메모리 관리

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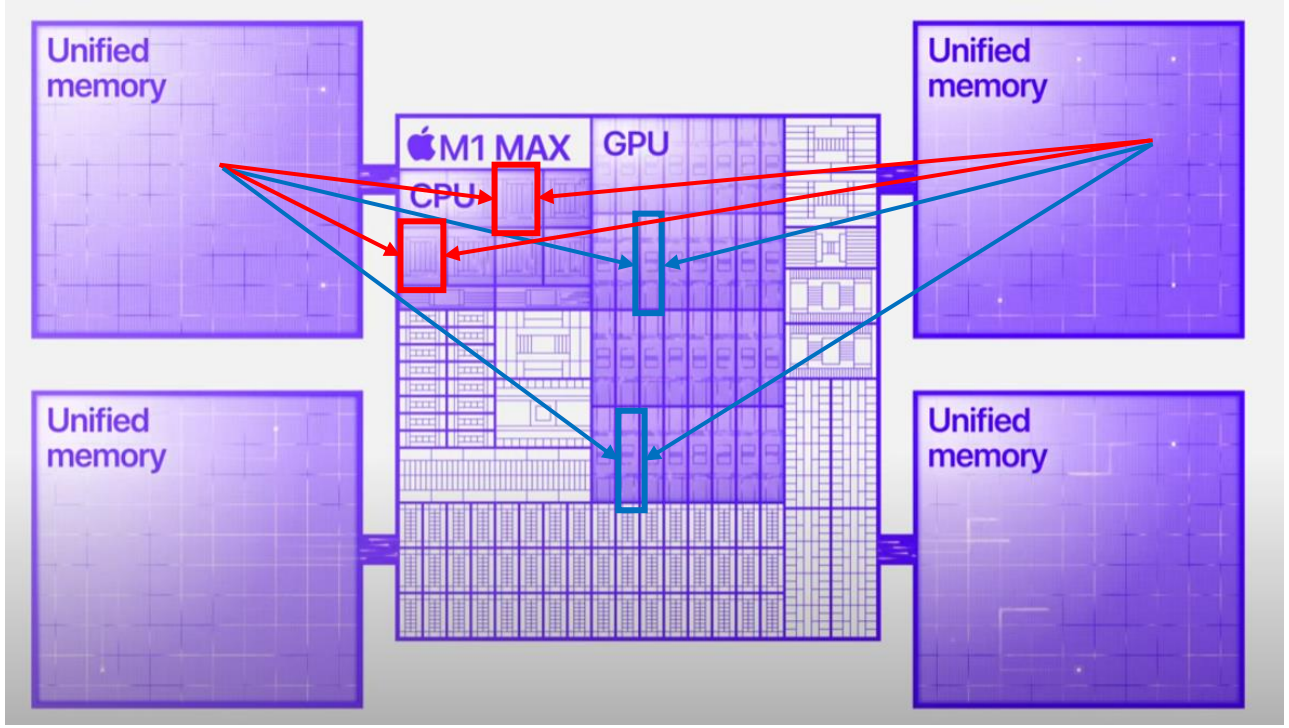
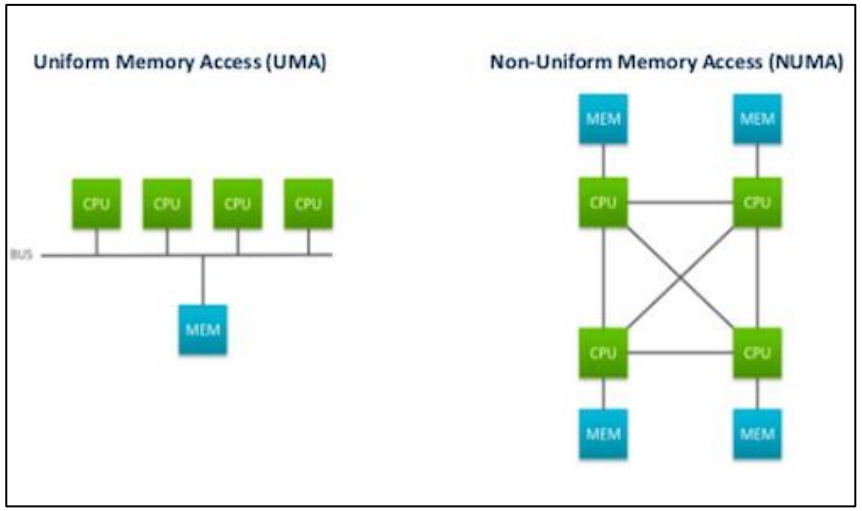
Physical Memory Data Structure

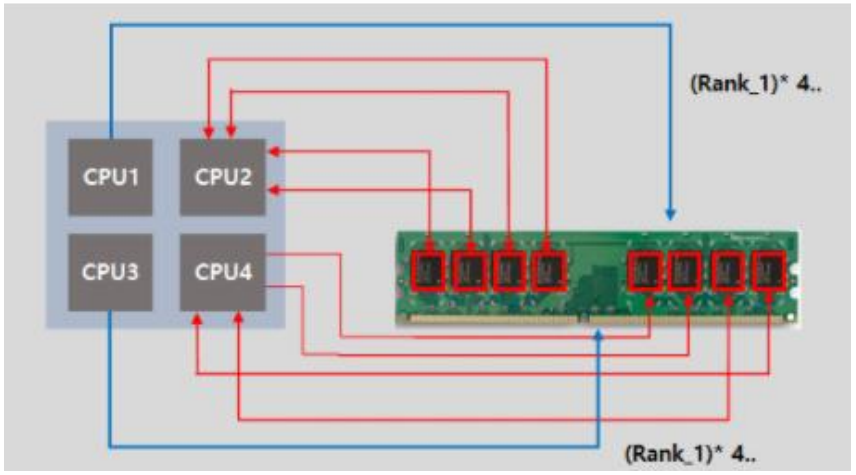
- Apple M1 Max SoC



Physical Memory Data Structure

- SMP/NUMA



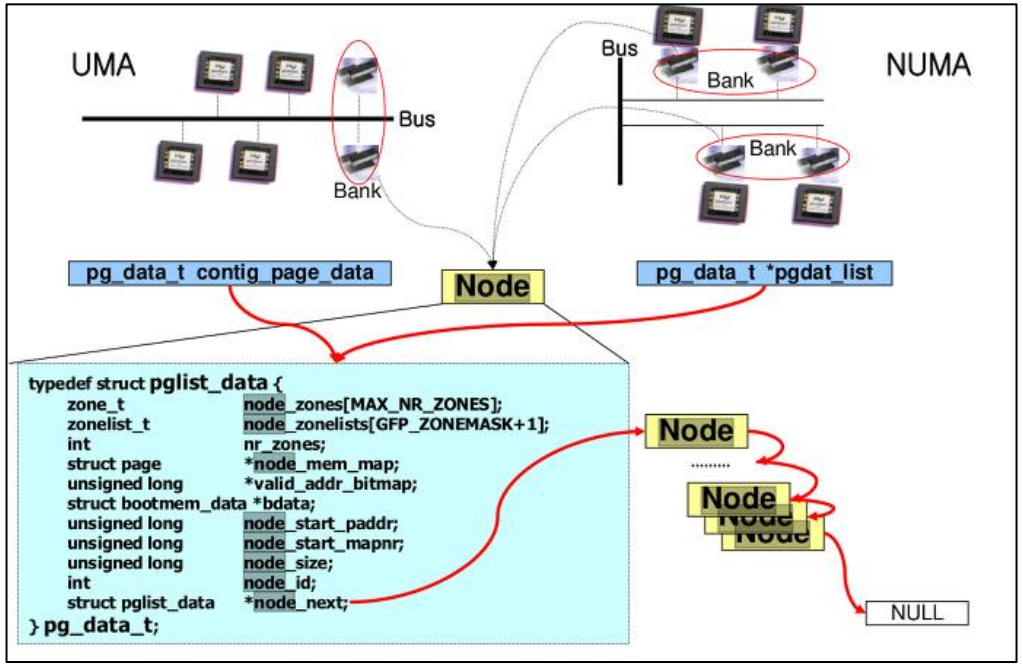


- SMP(UMA)
  - ✓ Symmetric Multiprocessing
  - ✓ 모든 CPU와 메모리가 하나의 입출력 버스 등을 공유
  - ✓ 병목현상 발생

- NUMA
  - ✓ Non-Uniform Memory Access
  - ✓ CPU를 그룹으로 나누고, 각 그룹에 별도에 지역 메모리 할당
  - ✓ CPU가 어떤 메모리를 접근하느냐에 따라 성능 차이 발생

Physical Memory Data Structure

- Node

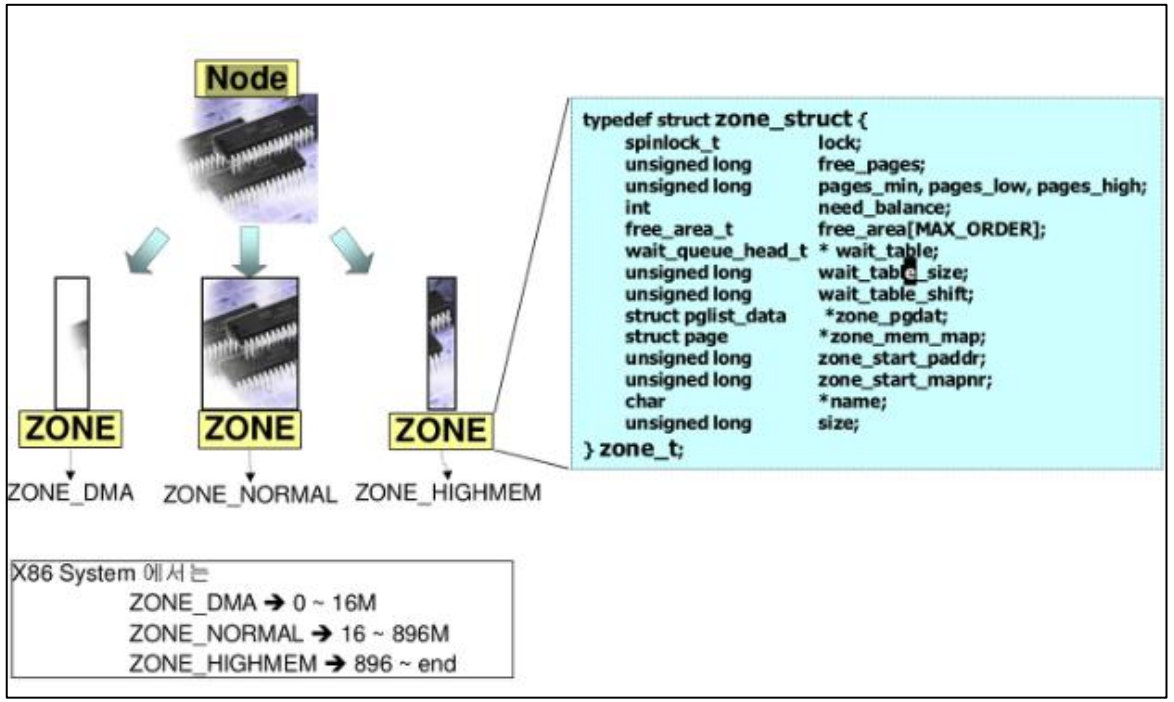


- Bank
  - ✓ 리눅스에서 접근 속도가 같은 메모리의 집합
  - ✓ UMA: single Bank
  - ✓ NUMA: non-single Banks

- Node
  - ✓ 리눅스에서 Bank를 표현하는 자료구조

Physical Memory Data Structure

- Zone



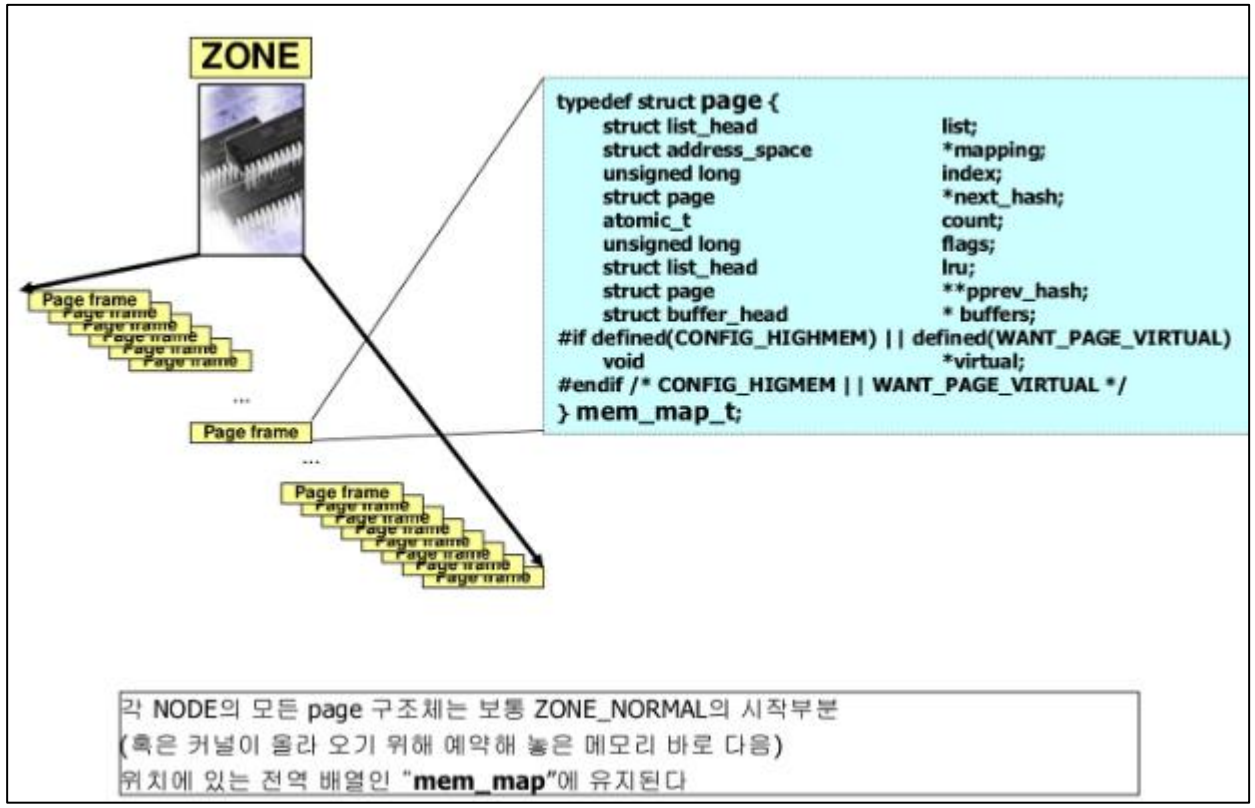
- 커널이 모든 메모리를 동일하게 취급?
  - ✓ 일부 하드웨어의 한계로 불가
    - 특정 메모리 주소로만 DMA 수행가능
    - 일부 메모리는 커널 주소 공간에 상주 불가

- ZONE
  - ✓ ZONE_DMA: DMA 수행가능
  - ✓ ZONE_NORMAL
  - ✓ ZONE_HIGHMEM: 커널 주소공간 상주X
    페이지 동적으로 연결

- 32bit-x86
  - ✓ ZONE_DMA: 0MB ~ 16MB
  - ✓ ZONE_NORMAL: 16MB ~ 896MB
  - ✓ ZONE_HIGHMEM: 896MB ~

Physical Memory Data Structure

- Page



- 물리적 메모리 최소 관리단위
  - ✓ 커널: Page
  - ✓ Why? MMU(Memory Management Unit)
    - 페이지 단위로 가상 메모리 주소를 물리적 메모리 주소로 변환
- Page Size
  - ✓ 32bit: 4KB
  - ✓ 64bit: 8KB
- Struct page
  - ✓ 가상 페이지가 아닌, 물리적 페이지 표현
    - Struct page의 내용은 일시적 (ex. swap)

Physical Memory Data Structure

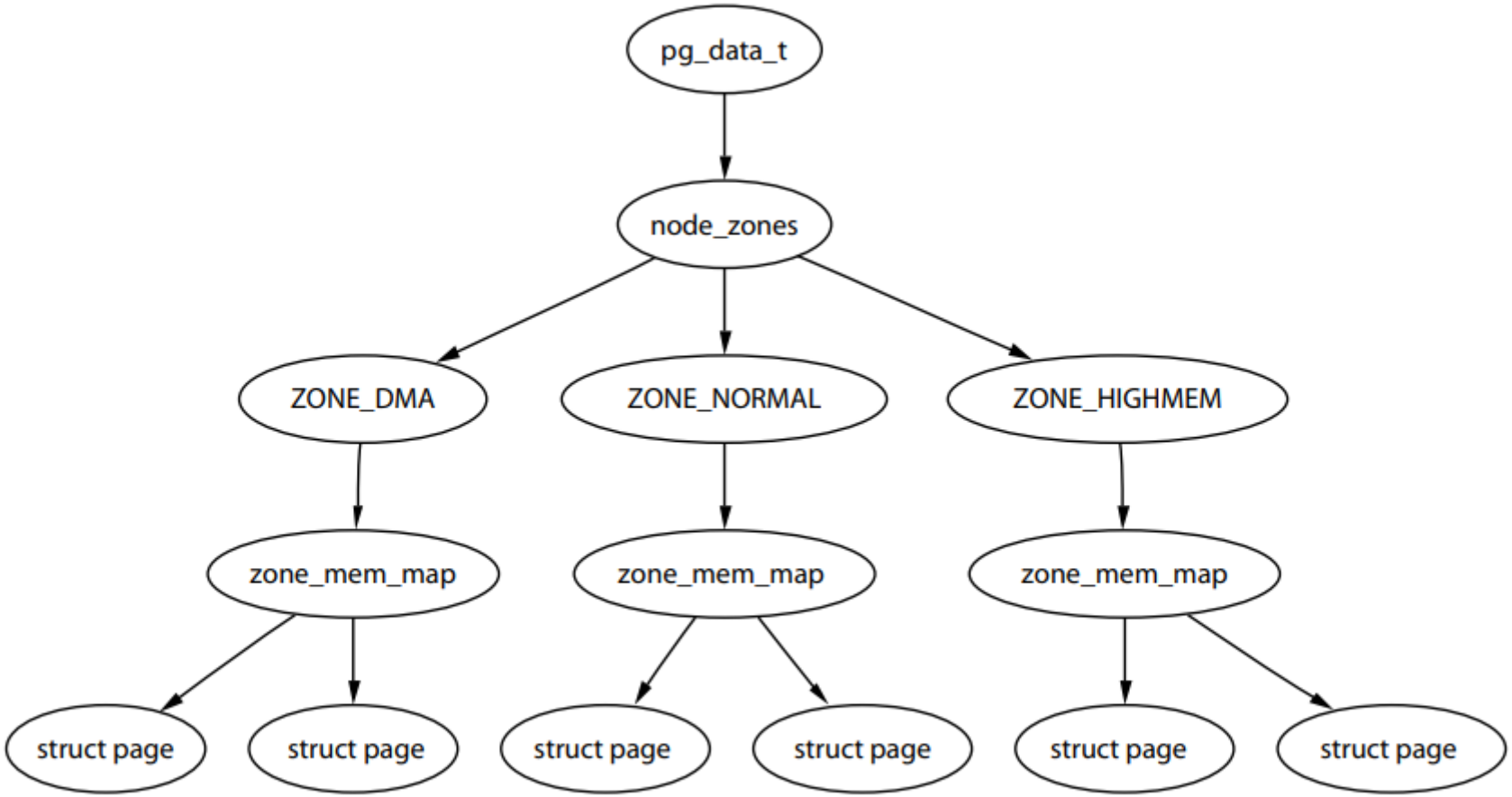


Figure 2.1. Relationship Between Nodes, Zones and Pages

Buddy Allocator

- alloc_pages / free_pages()
  - contiguous VA, contiguous PA

`struct page * alloc_pages(unsigned int gfp_mask, unsigned int order)`
Allocates 2^{order} number of pages and returns a struct page.

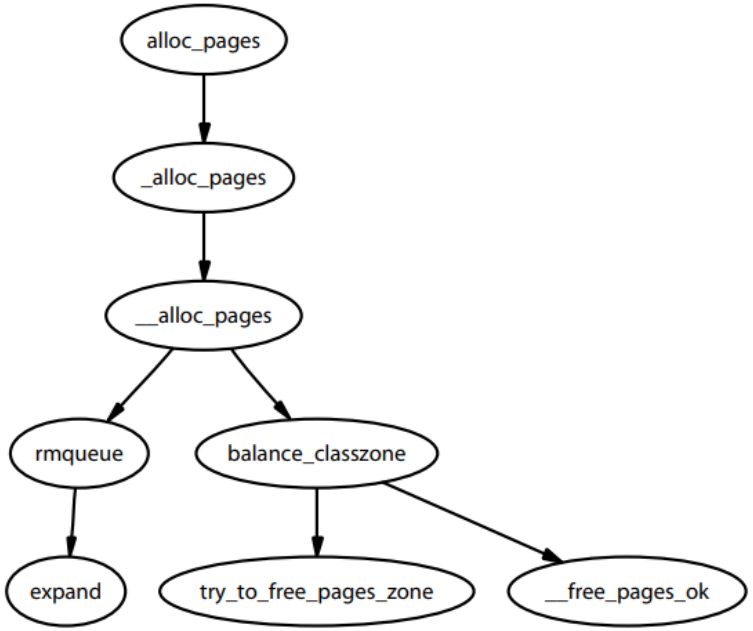


Figure 6.2. Call Graph: `alloc_pages()`

`void __free_pages(struct page *page, unsigned int order)`
Frees an order number of pages from the given page.

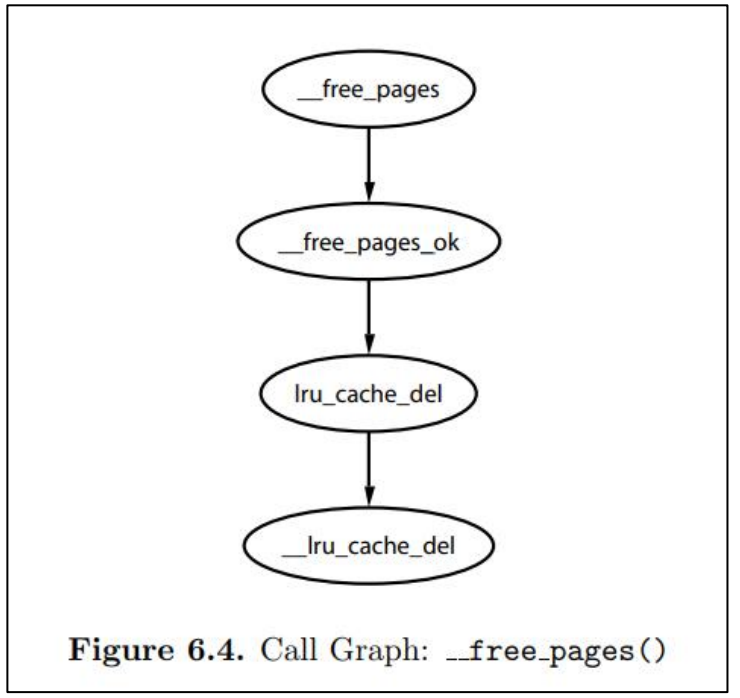
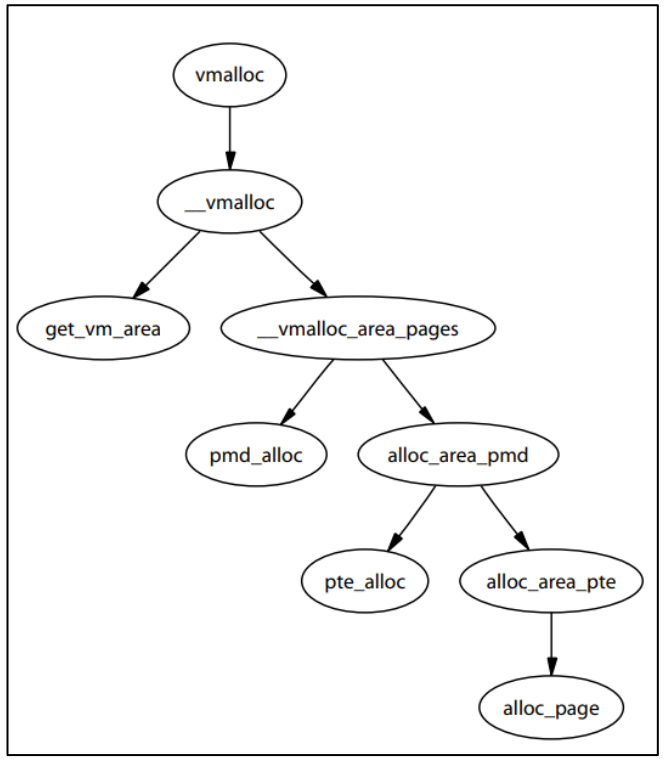


Figure 6.4. Call Graph: `__free_pages()`

Buddy Allocator

- vmalloc() / vfree()
  - contiguous VA, but do not guarantee contiguous PA

```
void * vmalloc(unsigned long size)
```
Allocates a number of pages in vmalloc space that satisfy the requested size.




```
void vfree(void *addr)
```
Frees a region of memory allocated with `vmalloc()`, `vmalloc_dma()` or `vmalloc_32()`

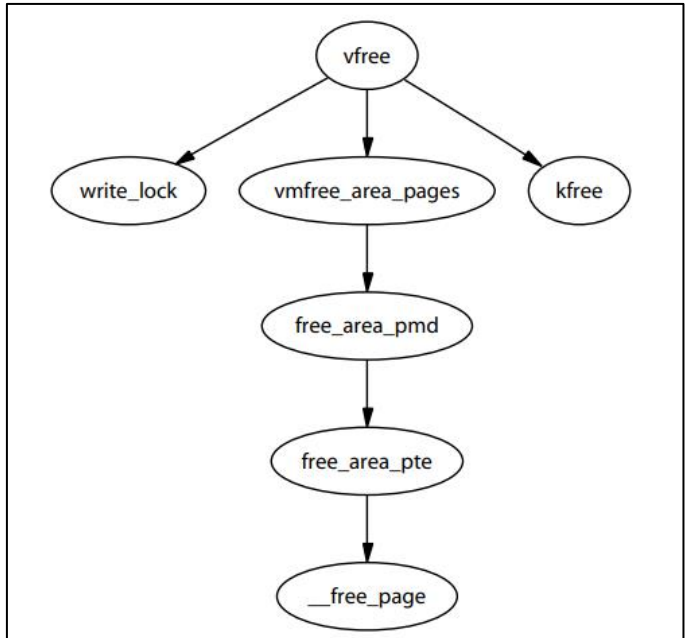


Figure 7.4. Call Graph: `vfree()`

Buddy Allocator

- vmalloc()

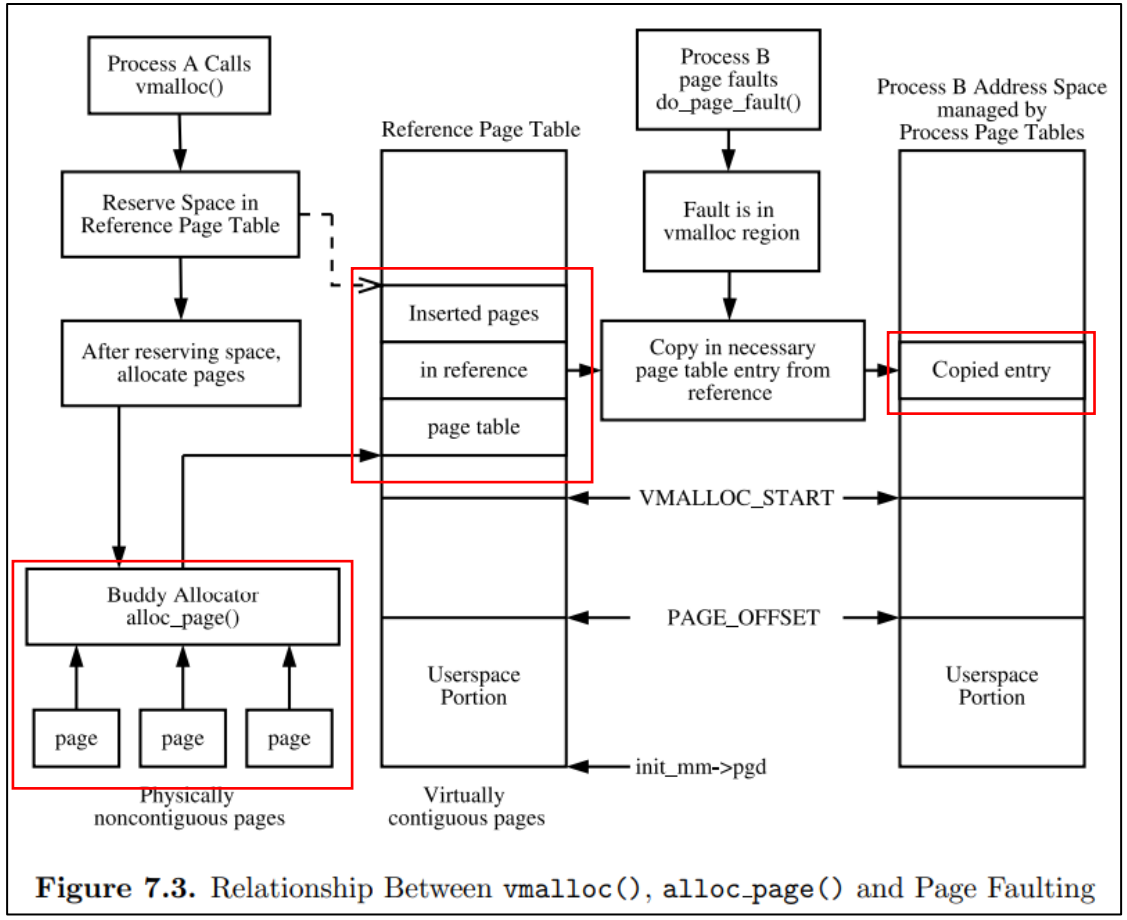


Figure 7.3. Relationship Between `vmalloc()`, `alloc_page()` and Page Faulting

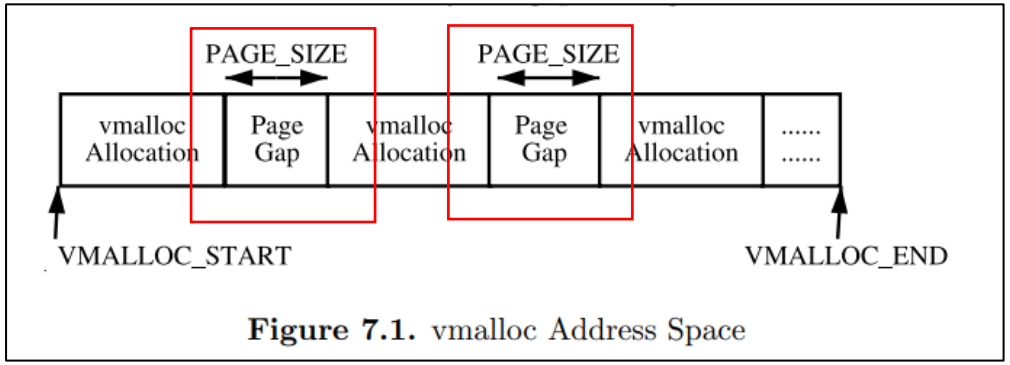
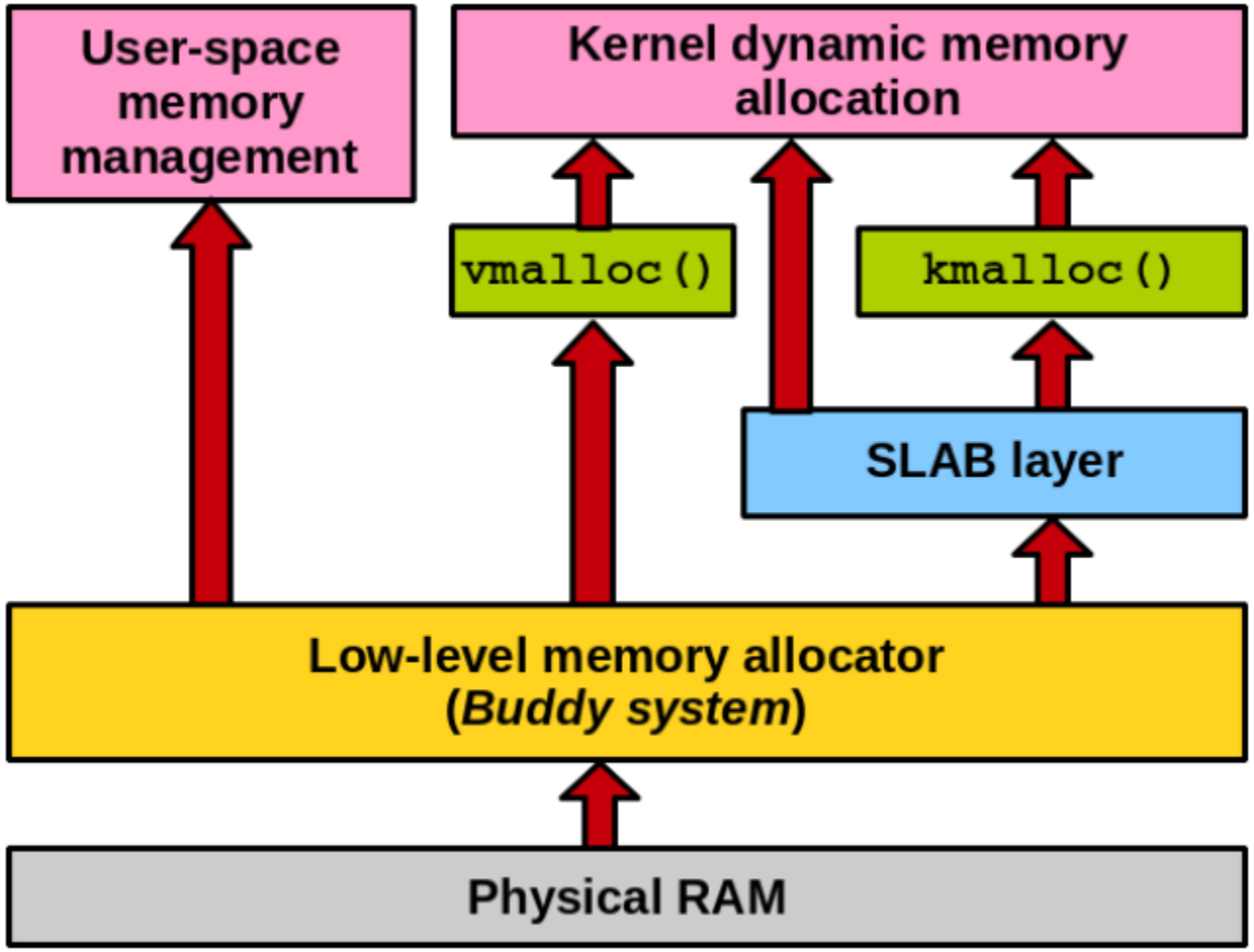


Figure 7.1. vmalloc Address Space

Buddy Allocator

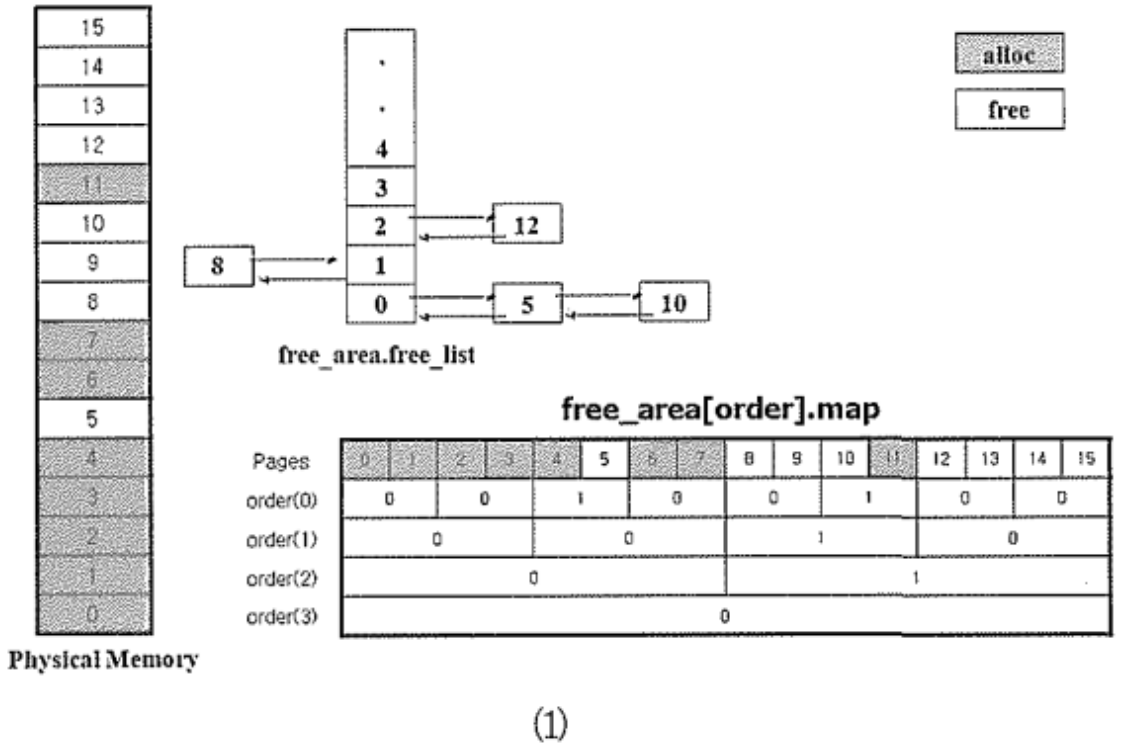


Buddy Allocator

- Buddy Allocator mechanism

```
/* ~/include/linux/mmzone.h
#define     MAX_ORDER          10

struct zone {
        ...
        struct free_area        free_area[MAX_ORDER];
        ...
};
struct free_area {
        struct list_head        free_list;
        unsigned long           *map;
};
```



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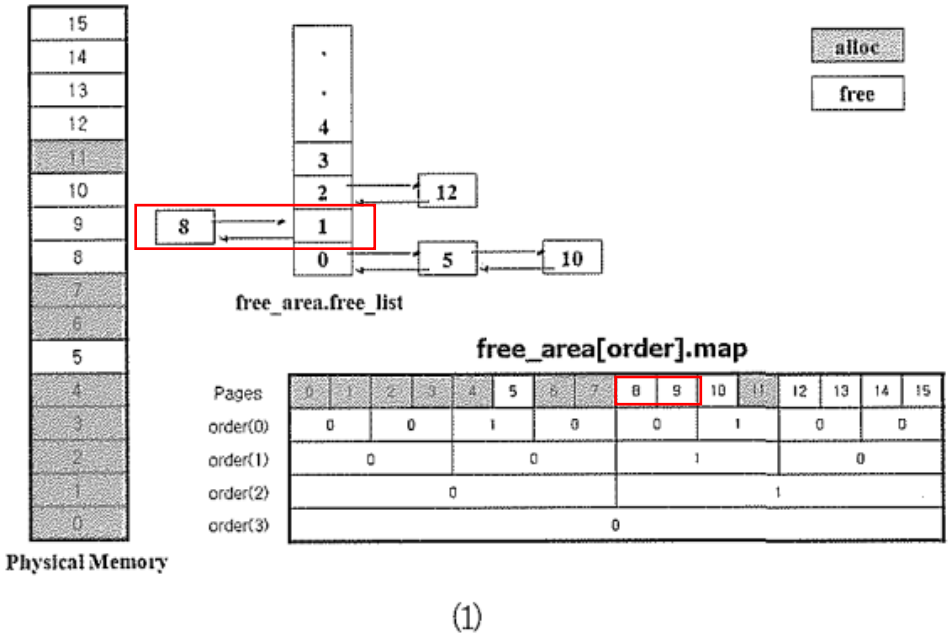
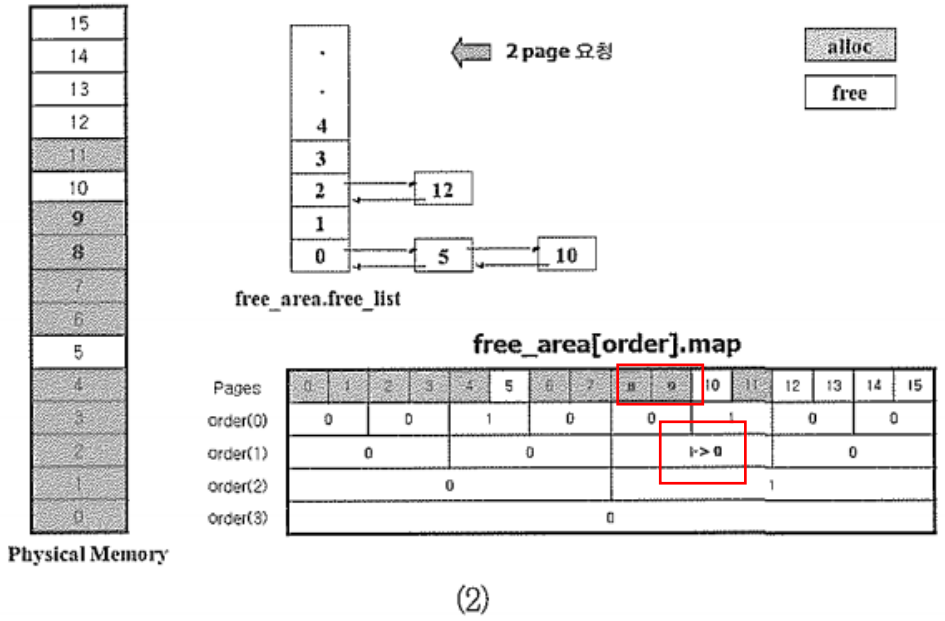
Buddy Allocator

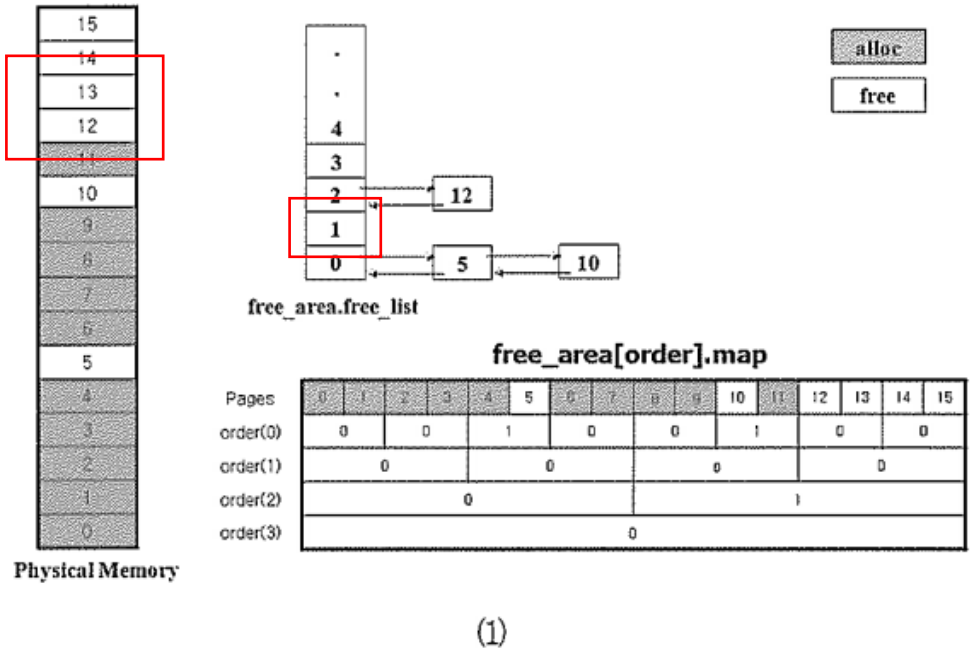
- Buddy Allocator mechanism
  - On 2 pages are requested

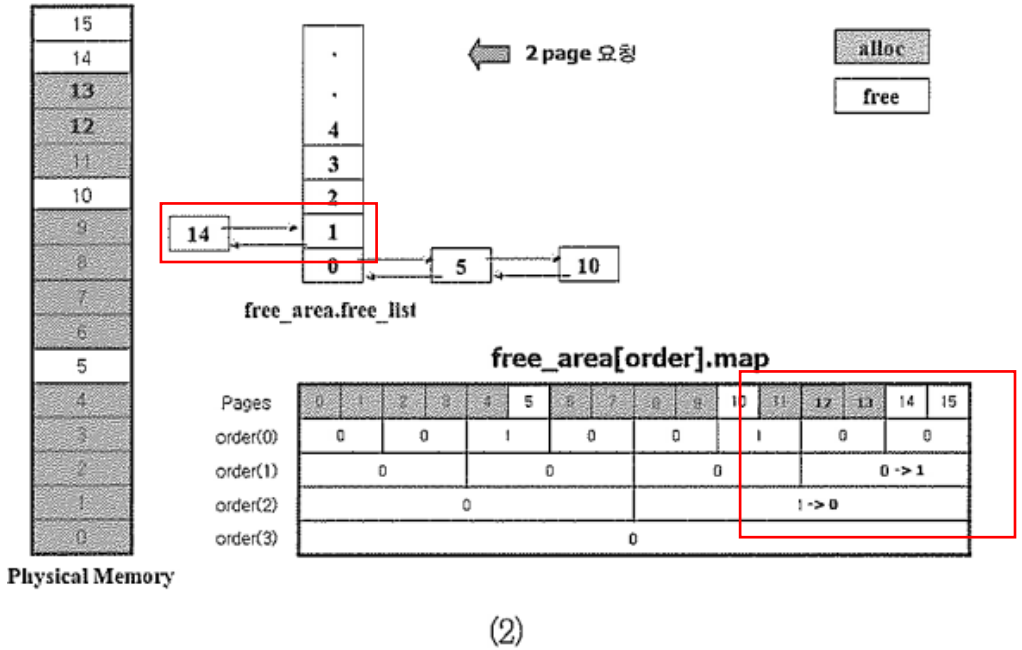




Buddy Allocator

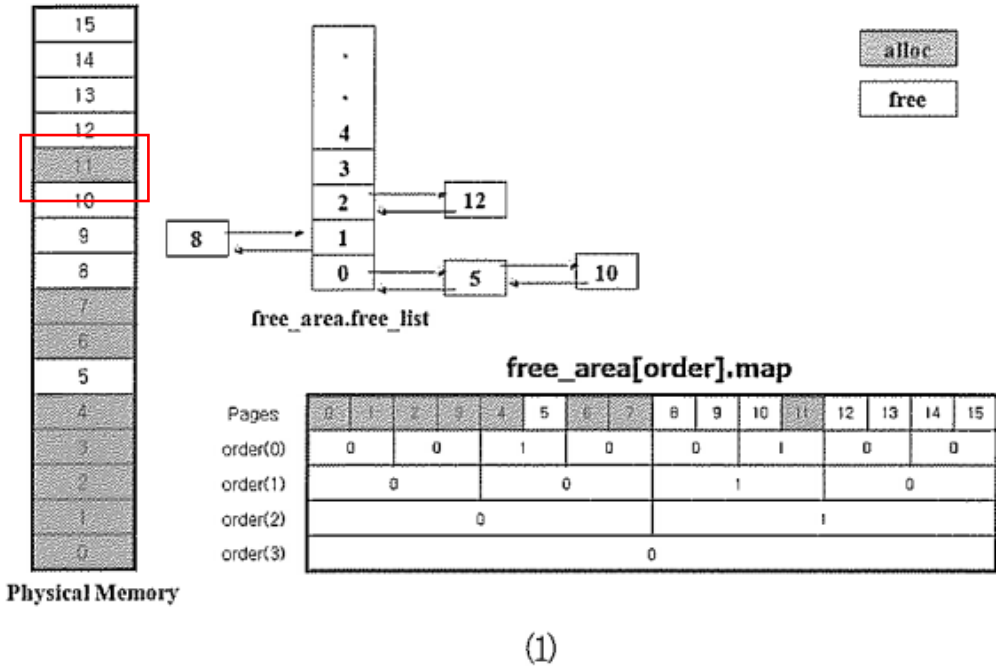
- Buddy Allocator mechanism
  - On another 2 pages are requested





Buddy Allocator

- Buddy Allocator mechanism
  - On page 11 are freed



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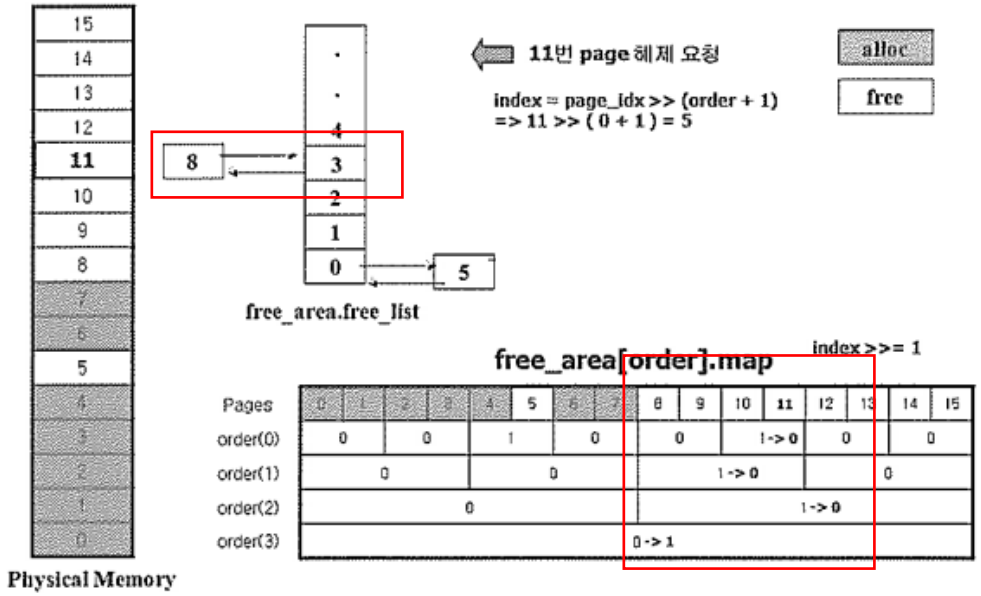

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Buddy Allocator

- Lazy Buddy allocator
  - Zone Watermarks

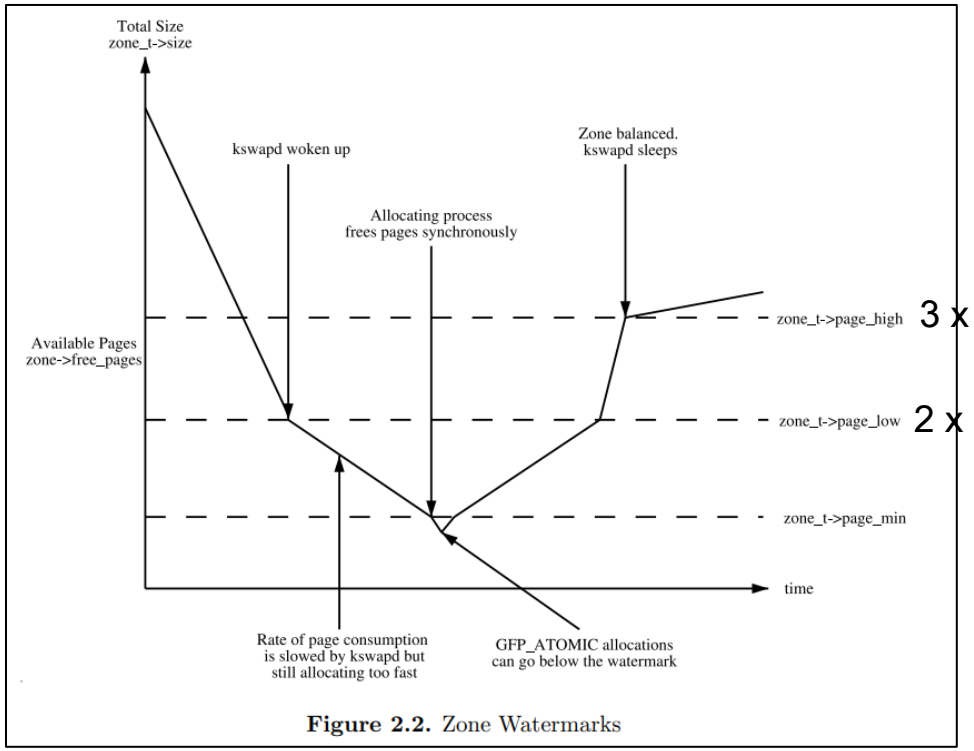

Figure 2.2. Zone Watermarks

```
37 typedef struct zone_struct {
41     spinlock_t        lock;
42     unsigned long     free_pages;
43     unsigned long     pages_min, pages_low, pages_high;
44     int               need_balance;
```

3 x page_min

2 x page_min

pages_high After **kswapd** has been woken to start freeing pages, it will not consider the zone to be "balanced" when **pages_high** pages are free. After the watermark has been reached, **kswapd** will go back to sleep. In Solaris, this is called **lotsfree**, and, in BSD, it is called **free_target**. The default for **pages_high** is three times the value of **pages_min**.

pages_low When the **pages_low** number of free pages is reached, **kswapd** is woken up by the buddy allocator to start freeing pages. This is equivalent to when **lotsfree** is reached in Solaris and **freemin** in FreeBSD. The value is twice the value of **pages_min** by default.

pages_min When **pages_min** is reached, the allocator will do the **kswapd** work in a synchronous fashion, sometimes referred to as the *direct-reclaim* path. Solaris does not have a real equivalent, but the closest is the **desfree** or **minfree**, which determine how often the pageout scanner is woken up.

Buddy Allocator

- alloc_pages vs vmalloc()

```c
static int __init kmalloc_init(void) {

    pg_mem = alloc_pages(GFP_KERNEL, 2);
    vm_mem = vmalloc(32768);

    print_bulk_address(vm_mem, "vmalloc");
    print_bulk_address(page_address(pg_mem), "alloc_pages");
    printk("");

    return 0;
}
```

```c
void print_bulk_address(void* mem, char* name){
    int i, idx=0;
    printk("");

    for (i=0; i<8; i++){
        idx = i*4096;
        printk("%12s %5d: [virtual] %12px  [page] %12llx [physical] %12llx",
                name, idx, mem+idx,  virt_to_page(mem+idx), virt_to_phys(mem+idx));
    }
}
```

```c
static void __exit kmalloc_exit(void) {
    vfree(vm_mem);
    free_pages(page_address(pg_mem), 2);
}
```

```
mingu@mingu-VirtualBox:~/module_vmalloc$ sudo dmesg -c


[  709.920936]      vmalloc     0: [virtual] ffffb19b41d21000  [page] ffffe63e87074840 [physical] 2061c1d21000
[  709.920938]      vmalloc  4096: [virtual] ffffb19b41d22000  [page] ffffe63e87074880 [physical] 2061c1d22000
[  709.920939]      vmalloc  8192: [virtual] ffffb19b41d23000  [page] ffffe63e870748c0 [physical] 2061c1d23000
[  709.920940]      vmalloc 12288: [virtual] ffffb19b41d24000  [page] ffffe63e87074900 [physical] 2061c1d24000
[  709.920941]      vmalloc 16384: [virtual] ffffb19b41d25000  [page] ffffe63e87074940 [physical] 2061c1d25000
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```
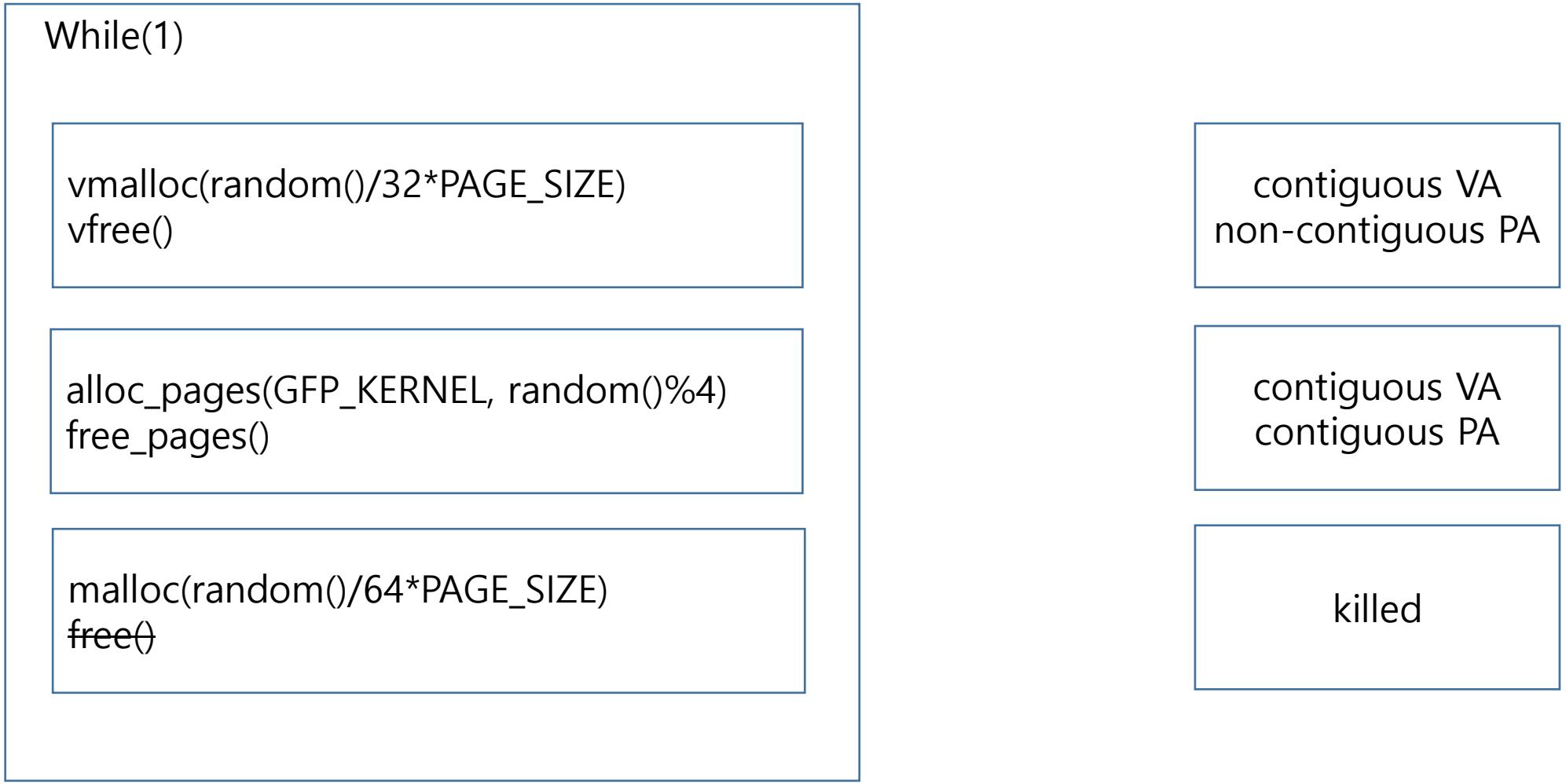

- alloc_pages()
  - contiguous VA, contiguous PA
- vmalloc()
  - contiguous VA, contiguous PA

Buddy Allocator

- RACE CONDITION: Alloc_pages vs vmalloc()



Buddy Allocator

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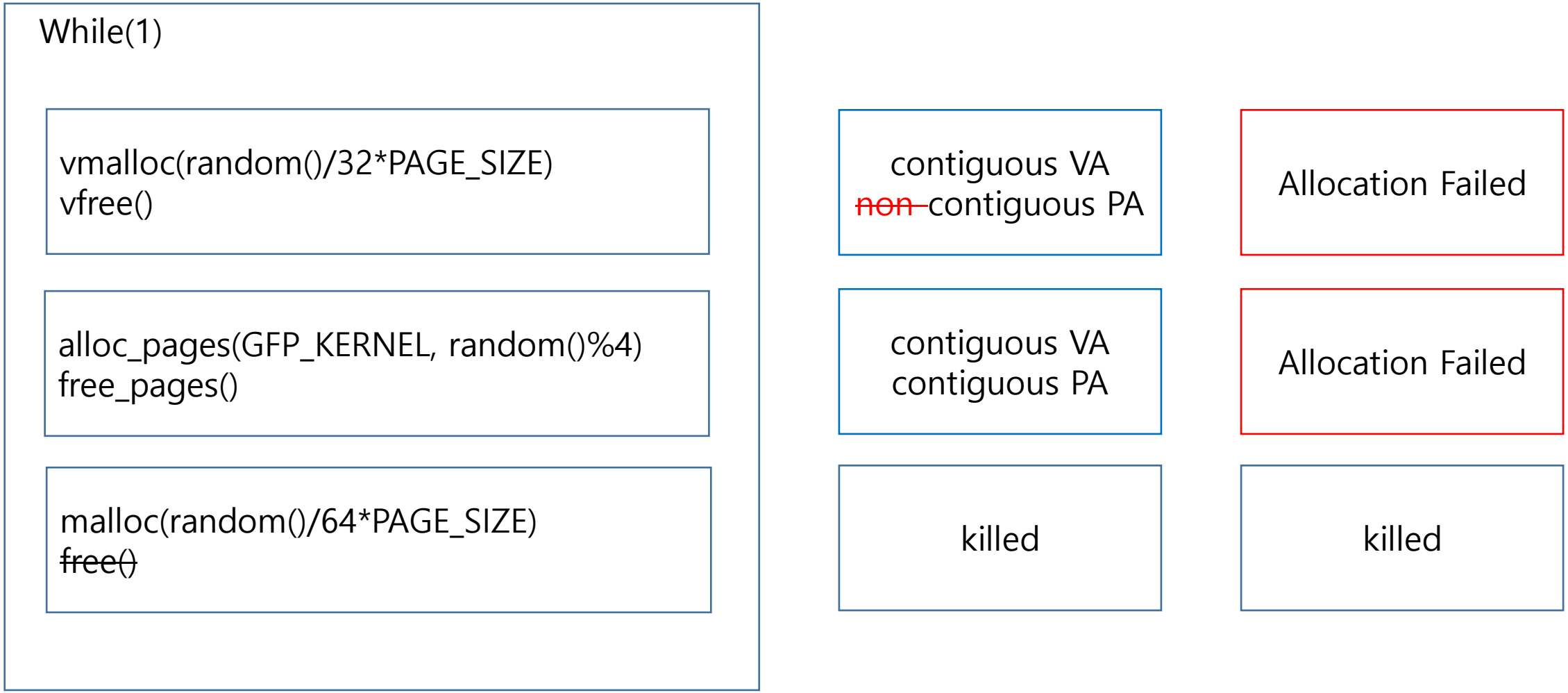
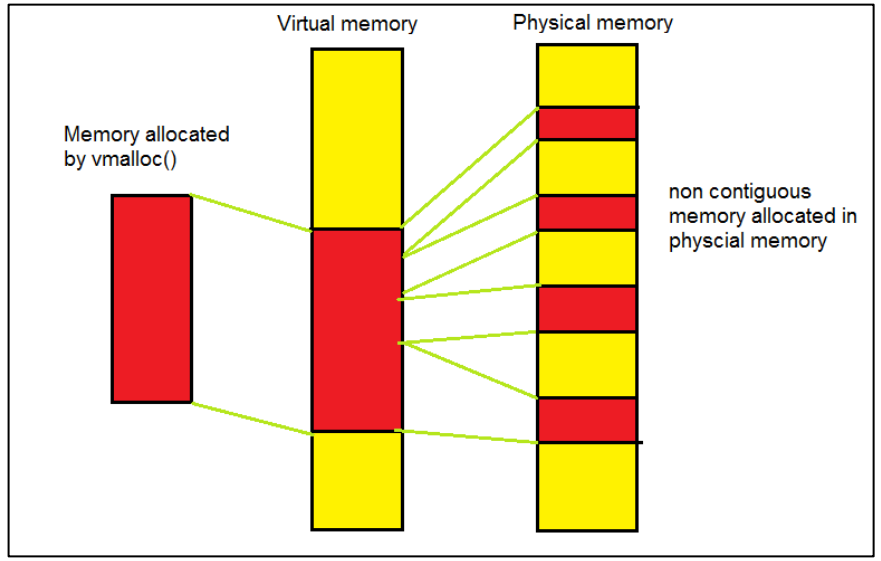
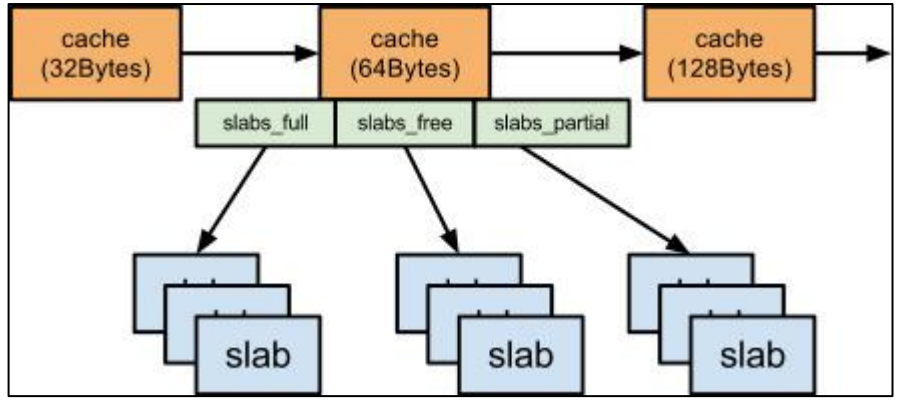


Slab Allocator

- 커널 내부에서 가장 빈번한 작업
  - 자료구조(struct task, struct …) 할당/해제
  - 이를 vmalloc으로 할당/해제 ?
    - ✓ Memory fragmentation
    - ✓ Allocate & Free overhead
    - ✓ Non-continguous PA <-> continguous VA
    - ✓ Need continguous PA for hardware device
      - 가상 주소 처리하는 메모리 장치 x

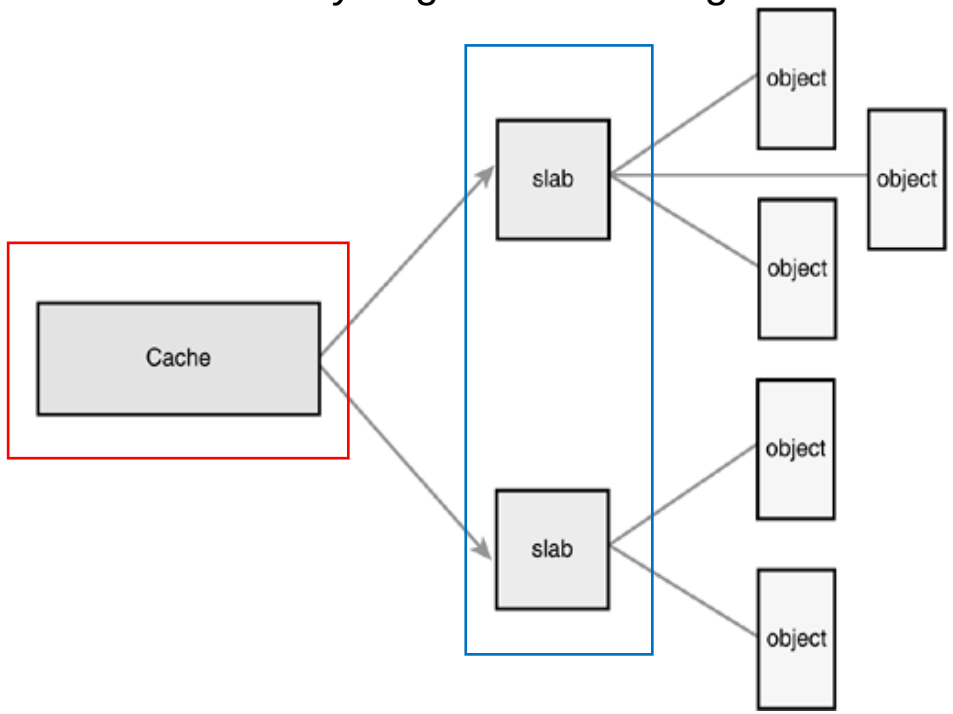


- 대신 Free list를 사용
  - 자료구조 사용 이후, 해제하지 않고 free_list에 추가
  - 일종의 객체 Cache
  - But…
    - ✓ 메모리 부족 시, 어떤 캐시 크기를 줄일 것일지 모름
      -> Slab Allocator 사용하여, 캐시 관리



Slab Allocator

- Slab Allocator
  - Cache – Slab – Object
  - Slab
    - ✓ full / partial / free
    - ✓ allocate on partial -> free -> new
      - Memory fragmentation mitigate




```
190 struct kmem_cache_s {
193     struct list_head        slabs_full;
194     struct list_head        slabs_partial;
195     struct list_head        slabs_free;
196     unsigned int            objsize;
197     unsigned int            flags;
198     unsigned int            num;
199     spinlock_t              spinlock;
```

```
typedef struct slab_s {
    struct list_head        list;
    unsigned long           colouroff;
    void                    *s_mem;
    unsigned int            inuse;
    kmem_bufctl_t           free;
} slab_t;
```

Slab Allocator

- kmalloc() / kfree()
  - 바이트 단위로 할당/해제
  - Contiguous VA, contiguous PA

- Kmem_cache
  - Kmem_cache_create()
  - Kmem_cache_alloc() <- kmalloc()
  - Kmem_cache_free() <- kfree()
  - Kmem_cache_destroy()

```
kmem_cache_t * kmem_cache_create(const char *name, size_t size,
size_t offset, unsigned long flags,
      void (*ctor)(void*, kmem_cache_t *, unsigned long),
     void (*dtor)(void*, kmem_cache_t *, unsigned long))
```
Creates a new cache and adds it to the cache chain.

```
void * kmem_cache_alloc(kmem_cache_t *cachep, int flags)
```
Allocates a single object from the cache and returns it to the caller.

```
void * kmalloc(size_t size, int flags)
```
Allocates a block of memory from one of the sizes cache.

```
void kmem_cache_free(kmem_cache_t *cachep, void *objp)
```
Frees an object and returns it to the cache.

```
void kfree(const void *objp)
```
Frees a block of memory allocated with kmalloc.

```
int kmem_cache_destroy(kmem_cache_t * cachep)
```
Destroys all objects in all slabs and frees up all associated memory before removing the cache from the chain.

Slab Allocator

- kmem_cache_alloc() vs kmalloc()
- kmem_cache_free() vs kfree()

```c
static int __init kmalloc_init(void) {
    kcache = kmem_cache_create("task_struct", sizeof(struct task_struct),
                        ARCH_MIN_TASKALIGN, SLAB_PANIC | SLAB_TRACE, NULL);

    my_tsk1 = kmem_cache_alloc(kcache, GFP_KERNEL);
    my_tsk2 = kmem_cache_alloc(kcache, GFP_KERNEL);

    kr_tsk1 = kmalloc(sizeof(struct task_struct), GFP_KERNEL);
    kr_tsk2 = kmalloc(sizeof(struct task_struct), GFP_KERNEL);

    print_address(kcache, "kcache");
    print_address(my_tsk1, "my_tsk1");
    print_address(my_tsk2, "my_tsk2");
    printk("");

    print_address(kr_tsk1, "kr_tsk1");
    print_address(kr_tsk2, "kr_tsk2");
    printk("");

    return 0;
}
```

```c
static void __exit kmalloc_exit(void) {
    kfree(kr_tsk1);
    kfree(kr_tsk2);

    kmem_cache_free(kcache, my_tsk1);
    kmem_cache_free(kcache, my_tsk2);
    kmem_cache_destroy(kcache);
}
```

- kmem_cache_alloc()
  - module
  - close VA & PA
- kmalloc()
  - Slab
  - Far VA & PA

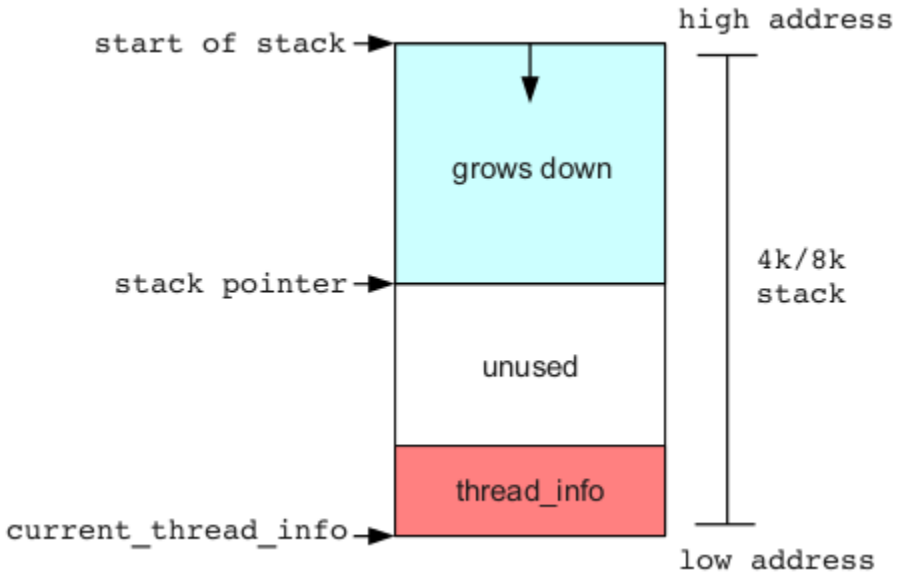
```
root@mingu-VirtualBox:/home/mingu/module# dmesg -c

[ 2838.892640]  kcache: [virtual] ffff8f4c8cb1b400  [page] ffffdf9dc432c6c0  [physical]    10cb1b400
[ 2838.892644] my_tsk1: [virtual] ffff8f4d68228000  [page] ffffdf9dc7a08a00  [physical]    1e8228000
[ 2838.892645] my_tsk2: [virtual] ffff8f4d6822ca00  [page] ffffdf9dc7a08b00  [physical]    1e822ca00

[ 2838.892647] kr_tsk1: [virtual] ffff8f4c850d4000  [page] ffffdf9dc4143500  [physical]    1050d4000
[ 2838.892648] kr_tsk2: [virtual] ffff8f4c8cbe4000  [page] ffffdf9dc432f900  [physical]    10cbe4000
```

Kernel Stack

- Stack
  - User Process: big, dynamic
  - Kernel: small, fixed
    - ✓ minimize mermory usage
    - ✓ do no not manage kernel stack code
- Kernel Stack size
  - 2 * Page size
    - ✓ 32bit: 8KB, 64bit: 16KB
- Kernel Stack overflow
  - therad_info



Kernel Stack

- Kernel Stack Overflow

```c
static int __init kmalloc_init(void) {
    int stack_size = 1024; // 1KB

    while(1)
    {
        allocate_stack(stack_size);
        stack_size *= 2;
    }

    return 0;
}
```

```c
static void allocate_stack(int stack_size){
    printk("allocate stack, size: %d", stack_size);

    int array[stack_size/4];

    int i;
    for (i=0; i<array_size; i++)
        array[i] = 1;

    printk("stack allocated, size: %d", stack_size);
}
```

```
mingu@mingu-VirtualBox:~/module_stack$ sudo dmesg -c

[ 5555.374373] allocate stack, size: 1024
[ 5556.388089] stack allocated, size: 1024
[ 5556.388099] allocate stack, size: 1024
[ 5557.411992] stack allocated, size: 1024
[ 5557.412002] allocate stack, size: 2048
[ 5558.436207] stack allocated, size: 2048
mingu@mingu-VirtualBox:~/module_stack$ sudo dmesg -c
[ 5558.436214] allocate stack, size: 4096
[ 5559.460679] stack allocated, size: 4096
[ 5559.460688] allocate stack, size: 8192
[ 5560.484692] stack allocated, size: 8192
mingu@mingu-VirtualBox:~/module_stack$
```

system doesn't work -> reboot

- Stack Size = 2 * Page_Size =16KB

- Allocate array[16KB]
  - Kernel stack over flow

Q & A

- Physical Memory Data Structure
  - UMA/NUMA
  - Node, Zone, Page
- Buddy Allocator
  - alloc_pages / free_pages()
  - vmalloc() / vfree()
  - practice1: alloc_pages() vs vmalloc()
- Slab Allocator
  - kmalloc() / kfree()
  - practice2: kmem_cache_alloc() vs kmalloc()
- Kernel Stack
  - practice3: kernel size