

# **Project Report: Page Replacement Algorithm Simulator**

## **1. Project Overview**

This project is a Page Replacement Algorithm Simulator that visually demonstrates and analyzes various page replacement techniques used in operating systems. The primary goal is to help users understand and compare different algorithms such as FIFO (First-In-First-Out), LRU (Least Recently Used) and Optimal Page Replacement in terms of page faults and memory efficiency.

## **2. Module-Wise Breakdown**

1. User Interface Module
  - Provides a GUI using Tkinter for user interaction.
  - Accepts user input for page reference strings and the number of frames.
  - Displays simulation results.
2. Algorithm Implementation Module
  - Implements FIFO, LRU, and Optimal page replacement algorithms.
  - Tracks hits, miss ratio and page faults.
  - Maintains a history of memory states for visualization.
3. Visualization Module
  - Uses Matplotlib to generate graphical representations of memory utilization.
  - Displays a page table and performance charts.

## **3. Functionalities**

- Accepts user input for reference string and the number of frames.
- Allows the user to select an algorithm (FIFO, LRU, or Optimal).
- Computes page faults and hit/miss ratios.
- Displays memory states step-by-step.
- Provides graphical analysis of memory utilization.
- Offers a performance comparison of algorithms.

## **4. Technology Used**

Programming Languages:

- Python

Libraries and Tools:

- Tkinter (GUI)

- Matplotlib (Visualization)
- NumPy (Data Handling)

Other Tools:

- GitHub for version control

#### 4. Flow Diagram

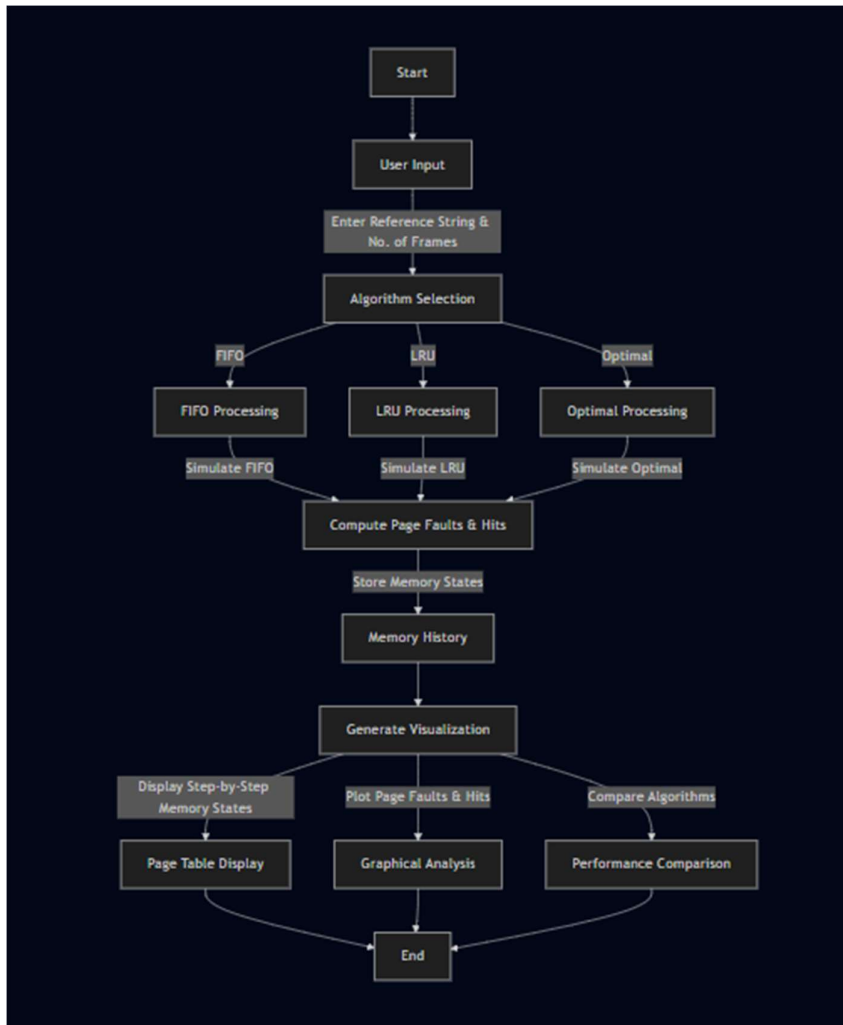


Figure 1: Page Replacement Algorithm Simulator Working Flowchart

##### 1. User Input Phase

- The user provides a page reference string and several frames.
- Select a page replacement algorithm (FIFO, LRU, or Optimal).

##### 2. Algorithm Processing Phase

- The chosen algorithm is executed, computing page faults, hits, and memory states.

### 3. Visualization Phase

- Memory states are stored and visualized using step-by-step page table updates.
- Graphical analysis is generated, showing page faults, hit/miss ratios, and algorithm comparisons.

### 6. Revision Tracking on GitHub

- Repository Name: Efficient-PRA-Simulator-Project
- GitHub Link: <https://github.com/Raj-3435/Efficient-PRA-Simulator-Project>

### 7. Conclusion and Future Scope

The project successfully simulates and visualizes FIFO, LRU, and Optimal page replacement algorithms offering an interactive approach to understanding these techniques. Future improvements could include:

- Adding additional algorithms such as Clock and LFU.
- Enhancing the UI with real-time animations.
- Providing exportable reports of simulation results.

### 8. References

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## Appendix

### A. AI-Generated Project Elaboration/Breakdown Report

#### 1. Project Overview

Goals:

- Develop a simulator to test and compare various page replacement algorithms efficiently.
- Provide real-time visualization of memory states and page faults.
- Enable users to analyse algorithm performance under different workloads.

Expected Outcomes:

- A functional **GUI-based simulator** for visualizing page replacement strategies.
- Detailed performance comparison metrics (e.g., page faults, execution time).

- Interactive features for users to customize inputs (e.g., page reference sequences, memory size).

#### Scope:

- Simulate FIFO, LRU, Optimal, LFU, and possibly AI-based algorithms.
- Provide graphical visualization of memory states.
- Compare algorithms based on various workload patterns.
- Focus on educational and research purposes, ensuring ease of understanding.

## 2. Module-Wise Breakdown

### Module 1: GUI (Graphical User Interface)

- Purpose: Provide an interactive interface for users to input page reference sequences, choose algorithms, and visualize results.

### Module 2: Core Algorithm Implementation

- Purpose: Implement and optimize various page replacement algorithms.

### Module 3: Data Visualization & Analysis

- Purpose: Display statistics, generate comparative graphs, and highlight performance metrics.

## 3. Functionalities

### Module 1: GUI

- Input Fields:
  - User-defined page reference sequences.
  - Selectable memory frame size.
  - Dropdown to choose algorithms.
- Buttons & Interactions:
  - Start Simulation to run algorithms.
  - Step-by-Step Execution mode for detailed understanding.
  - Reset & Export Results.
- Example Use Case:
  - User enters [7, 0, 1, 2, 0, 3, 4, 2, 3, 0, 3, 2], selects LRU, and views the simulation.

### Page Replacement Algorithm Simulator

Select Algorithm:  

FIFO

Enter Number of Frames:  

3

Enter Reference String (space-separated):  

7 0 1 2 0 3 4 2 3 0 3 2 1 2

Run Simulation

Algorithm: FIFO  
Frames: 3  
Reference Length: 19  
Reference String: [7, 0, 1, 2, 0, 3, 4, 2, 3, 0, 3, 2, 1, 2, 0, 1, 7, 0, 1]

Page Faults: 11  
Hit Ratio: 0.42  
Miss Ratio: 0.58

Figure 2: Page Replacement Algorithm Simulator Interface/GUI

## Module 2: Core Algorithm Implementation

- Implement algorithms:
  - FIFO (First-In-First-Out)
  - LRU (Least Recently Used)
  - Optimal Algorithm
- Example Execution:
  - Given frame size = 3, sequence = [1, 3, 0, 3, 5]
  - FIFO Output:
    - 1 → Page Fault
    - 3 → Page Fault
    - 0 → Page Fault
    - 3 → Hit
    - 5 → Page Fault (1 removed)
- Optimization Features:
  - Adaptive Replacement Policies (ML-based tuning) for AI-driven enhancements.

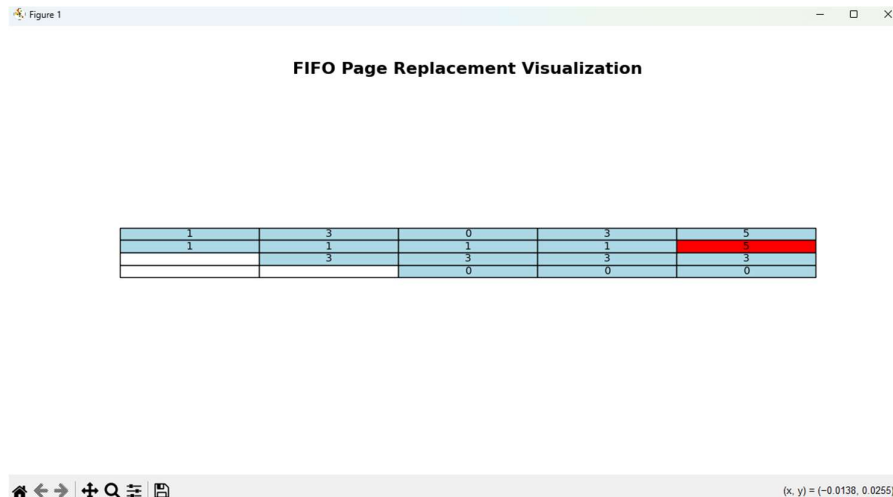


Figure 3: An example of FIFO Table Visualization

### Module 3: Data Visualization & Analysis

- Graphical Visualization:
  - Stack representation for LRU.
  - Queue structure for FIFO.
- Comparison Metrics:
  - Page Fault Rate (%)
  - Execution Time
  - Memory Utilization
- Example Chart:
  - Bar Graph: Algorithm vs. Page Faults.
  - Line Graph: Page replacement efficiency over time.

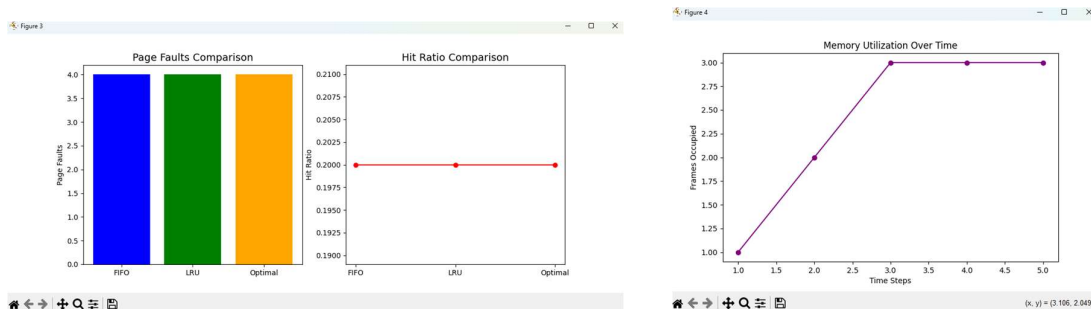


Figure 4: Showcasing Various Graphical Analysis based on certain criteria.

4. Technology Recommendations

Component	Technology/Tool
Programming Language	Python (simpler), Java (faster), or C++ (efficient)
GUI Development	Tkinter (Python), PyQt, or JavaFX
Algorithm Implementation	Python (NumPy, Pandas) or Java (Collections)
Data Visualization	Matplotlib, Seaborn, Plotly
Performance Analysis	Pandas, Scipy for statistical metrics
AI-Based Extensions	Reinforcement Learning (RL) with TensorFlow/PyTorch

5. Execution Plan

Step 1: Setup Development Environment

- Choose Python (Tkinter + Matplotlib) for easier GUI visualization.
- Install dependencies

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pip install matplotlib pandas numpy seaborn
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Step 2: Implement Page Replacement Algorithms

- Write functions for FIFO, LRU and Optimal in Python.
- Test each algorithm with small reference sequences.

Step 3: Build GUI

- Use Tkinter/PyQt to create input fields and buttons.
- Implement an output display area for memory state visualization.

Step 4: Integrate Data Visualization

- Implement heatmaps for memory states.
- Compare algorithms using graphs and bar charts.

Step 5: Optimize Performance

- Use efficient data structures (e.g., Deque for LRU).
- Optimize computation for large datasets.

Step 6: Testing & Debugging

- Test with different workloads (random, sequential, cyclic patterns).
- Measure execution time to ensure efficiency.

## B. Problem Statement

18. *Efficient Page Replacement Algorithm Simulator Description: Design a simulator that allows users to test and compare different page replacement algorithms (e.g., FIFO, LRU, Optimal). The simulator should provide visualizations and performance metrics to aid in understanding algorithm efficiency*

## C. Solution/Code

```
1. import tkinter as tk
2. from tkinter import ttk, messagebox
3. import numpy as np
4. import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
5.
6. # ----- Page Replacement Algorithms -----
7.
8. def fifo_page_replacement(pages, frames):
9.     frame_list = []
10.    history = []
11.    fault_positions = []
12.    hits, misses = 0, 0
13.    fifo_index = 0 # Tracks which index to replace
14.
15.    for i, page in enumerate(pages):
16.        if page in frame_list:
17.            hits += 1
18.        else:
19.            misses += 1
20.            if len(frame_list) < frames:
21.                frame_list.append(page)
22.            else:
23.                replaced_index = fifo_index # Get index of oldest page
24.                frame_list[replaced_index] = page # Replace at the same position
25.                fault_positions.append((i, page, replaced_index)) # Store step, new page,
replaced index
26.                fifo_index = (fifo_index + 1) % frames # Move FIFO pointer
27.
28.            history.append(frame_list.copy())
29.
30.    return history, hits, misses, fault_positions
31.
32.
33. def lru_page_replacement(pages, frames):
34.     frame_list = [] # Stores pages in memory
35.     history = [] # Stores frame state history
36.     fault_positions = [] # Stores replaced page details
37.     indexes = {} # Stores last used index of each page
38.
39.     hits, misses = 0, 0
40.
41.     for i, page in enumerate(pages):
42.         if page in frame_list:
43.             hits += 1
44.             indexes[page] = i # Update last used index
45.         else:
46.             misses += 1
47.             if len(frame_list) < frames:
48.                 frame_list.append(page) # Add page if space available
49.             else:
50.                 # Find the least recently used page (smallest index in 'indexes')
51.                 lru_page = min(indexes, key=indexes.get) # Page with the lowest index
52.                 replaced_index = frame_list.index(lru_page) # Find its position in the
frame
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53.         frame_list[replaced_index] = page # Replace with new page
54.         fault_positions.append((i, page, replaced_index)) # Store fault info
55.         indexes.pop(lru_page) # Remove old page from usage tracker
56.
57.         indexes[page] = i # Update last used index
58.
59.         history.append(frame_list.copy()) # Store frame state
60.
61.     return history, hits, misses, fault_positions
62.
63.
64.
65. def optimal_page_replacement(pages, frames):
66.     frame_list = [] # Stores current pages in memory
67.     history = [] # Stores state of frames at each step
68.     fault_positions = [] # Stores (step, new page, replaced index)
69.     hits, misses = 0, 0
70.
71.     for i, page in enumerate(pages):
72.         if page in frame_list:
73.             hits += 1 # Page hit
74.         else:
75.             misses += 1 # Page fault
76.
77.             if len(frame_list) < frames:
78.                 frame_list.append(page) # Fill empty frames first
79.             else:
80.                 # Dictionary to store the next occurrence index of each page in the frame
81.                 future_use = {frame: float('inf') for frame in frame_list}
82.
83.                 for frame in frame_list:
84.                     if frame in pages[i+1:]: # Check if frame appears in future
85.                         future_use[frame] = pages[i+1:].index(frame) + i + 1 # Absolute
index
86.
87.                 # Find the page that is used farthest in the future
88.                 page_to_replace = max(future_use, key=future_use.get)
89.                 replaced_index = frame_list.index(page_to_replace)
90.
91.                 # Replace the page
92.                 frame_list[replaced_index] = page
93.                 fault_positions.append((i, page, replaced_index)) # Store replacement step
94.
95.                 history.append(frame_list.copy())
96.
97.     return history, hits, misses, fault_positions
98.
99.
100. # ----- Visualization -----
101.
102. def visualize_page_replacement(algorithm, pages, frames, history, fault_positions, hits,
misses):
103.     fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 6))
104.     ax.set_title(f'{algorithm} Page Replacement Visualization', fontsize=16,
fontWeight='bold')
105.
106.     num_steps = len(pages)
107.     num_frames = frames
108.
109.     # Create table data
110.     table_data = [[''] * num_steps for _ in range(num_frames)]
111.     cell_colors = [['white'] * num_steps for _ in range(num_frames)]
112.
113.     # Store replacement steps for proper visualization
114.     replaced_positions = {pos[0]: (pos[1], pos[2]) for pos in fault_positions} # (step:
(new_page, position))
115.
116.     for col, page in enumerate(pages):
117.         frame_state = history[col] # Get frame content at current step
118.

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119.         for row in range(num_frames):
120.             if row < len(frame_state):
121.                 table_data[row][col] = str(frame_state[row])
122.
123.                 # Highlight replaced pages in red
124.                 if col in replaced_positions and row == replaced_positions[col][1]:
125.                     cell_colors[row][col] = 'red'
126.                 else:
127.                     cell_colors[row][col] = 'lightblue'
128.
129.         table_data = np.array(table_data)
130.
131.         ax.axis('tight')
132.         ax.axis('off')
133.         table = ax.table(cellText=table_data, cellLoc='center', loc='center',
134.                          cellColours=cell_colors, colLabels=[str(p) for p in pages],
135.                          colColours=['lightblue'] * num_steps)
136.
137.         plt.show()
138.
139.
140. # ----- Enhanced Visualization -----
141. def visualize_page_replacement(algorithm, pages, frames, history, fault_positions, hits,
142.                               misses):
143.     fig, ax = plt.subplots(figsize=(12, 6))
144.     ax.set_title(f'{algorithm} Page Replacement Visualization', fontsize=16,
145.                 fontweight='bold')
146.     num_steps = len(pages)
147.     num_frames = frames
148.
149.     # Table Data Setup
150.     table_data = [[''] * num_steps for _ in range(num_frames)]
151.     cell_colors = [['white'] * num_steps for _ in range(num_frames)]
152.     replaced_positions = {pos[0]: (pos[1], pos[2]) for pos in fault_positions}
153.
154.     for col, page in enumerate(pages):
155.         frame_state = history[col]
156.         for row in range(num_frames):
157.             if row < len(frame_state):
158.                 table_data[row][col] = str(frame_state[row])
159.                 if col in replaced_positions and row == replaced_positions[col][1]:
160.                     cell_colors[row][col] = 'red' # Highlight replaced pages
161.                 else:
162.                     cell_colors[row][col] = 'lightblue'
163.
164.         table_data = np.array(table_data)
165.         ax.axis('tight')
166.         ax.axis('off')
167.         ax.table(cellText=table_data, cellLoc='center', loc='center',
168.                  cellColours=cell_colors, colLabels=[str(p) for p in pages],
169.                  colColours=['lightblue'] * num_steps)
170.         plt.show()
171.
172. # ----- Performance Visualization -----
173. def visualize_performance(algorithms, page_faults, hit_ratios):
174.     fig, axes = plt.subplots(1, 2, figsize=(12, 5))
175.
176.     # Bar Chart for Page Faults
177.     axes[0].bar(algorithms, page_faults, color=['blue', 'green', 'orange'])
178.     axes[0].set_title("Page Faults Comparison", fontsize=14)
179.     axes[0].set_ylabel("Page Faults")
180.
181.     # Line Chart for Hit Ratios
182.     axes[1].plot(algorithms, hit_ratios, marker='o', linestyle='--', color='red')
183.     axes[1].set_title("Hit Ratio Comparison", fontsize=14)
184.     axes[1].set_ylabel("Hit Ratio")
185.     plt.show()
186.
187. def visualize_memory_utilization(page_refs, frames):

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187.     utilization = [min(i + 1, frames) for i in range(len(page_refs))]
188.     plt.figure(figsize=(8, 5))
189.     plt.plot(range(1, len(page_refs) + 1), utilization, marker='o', linestyle='-',
190.             color='purple')
191.     plt.xlabel("Time Steps")
192.     plt.ylabel("Frames Occupied")
193.     plt.title("Memory Utilization Over Time")
194.     plt.show()
195. # ----- Main GUI and Execution -----
196. def run_simulation():
197.     try:
198.         page_refs = list(map(int, entry_pages.get().split()))
199.         num_frames = int(entry_frames.get())
200.         selected_algo = algo_var.get()
201.
202.         if num_frames <= 0 or not page_refs:
203.             messagebox.showerror("Error", "Invalid Input!")
204.             return
205.
206.         algorithms = ["FIFO", "LRU", "Optimal"]
207.         results = {}
208.
209.         for algo in algorithms:
210.             if algo == "FIFO":
211.                 history, hits, misses, fault_positions = fifo_page_replacement(page_refs,
212.                                     num_frames)
213.             elif algo == "LRU":
214.                 history, hits, misses, fault_positions = lru_page_replacement(page_refs,
215.                                     num_frames)
216.             elif algo == "Optimal":
217.                 history, hits, misses, fault_positions =
218.                 optimal_page_replacement(page_refs, num_frames)
219.                 results[algo] = (misses, hits / (hits + misses))
220.
221.             if algo == selected_algo:
222.                 visualize_page_replacement(algo, page_refs, num_frames, history,
223.                                     fault_positions, hits, misses)
224.
225.                 # Computation Outline
226.                 result_text.set(
227.                     f"Algorithm: {selected_algo}\n"
228.                     f"Frames: {num_frames}\n"
229.                     f"Reference Length: {len(page_refs)}\n"
230.                     f"Reference String: {page_refs}\n\n"
231.                     f"Page Faults: {misses}\n"
232.                     f"Hit Ratio: {hits / (hits + misses):.2f}\n"
233.                     f"Miss Ratio: {misses / (hits + misses):.2f}"
234.                 )
235.
236.                 visualize_performance(algorithms, [results[a][0] for a in algorithms],
237.                                     [results[a][1] for a in algorithms])
238.                 visualize_memory_utilization(page_refs, num_frames)
239.
240.     except ValueError:
241.         messagebox.showerror("Error", "Invalid input! Enter space-separated integers.")
242.
243. # ----- GUI Implementation -----
244.
245. root = tk.Tk()
246. root.title("Page Replacement Algorithm Simulator")
247. root.geometry("500x400")
248. root.configure(bg="lightgray")
249.
250. tk.Label(root, text="Page Replacement Algorithm Simulator", font=("Arial", 14, "bold"),
251.         bg="lightgray").pack(pady=10)
252.
253. tk.Label(root, text="Select Algorithm:", bg="lightgray").pack()
254. algo_var = tk.StringVar(value="FIFO")

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247. algo_menu = ttk.Combobox(root, textvariable=algo_var, values=["FIFO", "LRU", "Optimal"],
state="readonly")
248. algo_menu.pack(pady=5)
249.
250. tk.Label(root, text="Enter Number of Frames:", bg="lightgray").pack()
251. entry_frames = tk.Entry(root)
252. entry_frames.pack(pady=5)
253.
254. tk.Label(root, text="Enter Reference String (space-separated):", bg="lightgray").pack()
255. entry_pages = tk.Entry(root)
256. entry_pages.pack(pady=5)
257.
258. tk.Button(root, text="Run Simulation", command=run_simulation, bg="blue",
fg="white").pack(pady=10)
259.
260. result_text = tk.StringVar()
261. result_label = tk.Label(root, textvariable=result_text, justify="left", bg="white",
font=("Courier", 10), relief="solid", padx=10, pady=5)
262. result_label.pack(pady=10, fill="both")
263.
264. root.mainloop() # Ensure the GUI loop starts
265.
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-----END-----