

Memory Management

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1. Which of the following is not a memory management scheme?

- a) Paging
- b) Segmentation
- c) Contiguous allocation
- d) Defragmentation

Answer: d

2. In a paging system, the page size is defined by:

- a) User
- b) Compiler
- c) Operating System
- d) Application Program

Answer: c

3. What is the role of the Memory Management Unit (MMU)?

- a) Handles memory allocation
- b) Manages the cache memory
- c) Translates virtual addresses to physical addresses
- d) Manages the CPU registers

Answer: c

4. A technique used to move pages between main memory and a secondary storage to provide a large logical memory space is:

- a) Paging
- b) Segmentation
- c) Swapping
- d) Thrashing

Answer: c

5. The time taken to move the disk arm to the desired cylinder is called:

- a) Seek Time
- b) Latency Time
- c) Access Time
- d) Transfer Time

Answer: a

6. Which memory allocation scheme uses fixed-sized blocks?

- a) Paging
- b) Segmentation
- c) Variable-partitioning
- d) Fixed-partitioning

Answer: a

7. The process of mapping a logical address to a physical address is known as:

- a) Binding
- b) Linking
- c) Loading
- d) Parsing

Answer: a

8. In which type of fragmentation does memory get wasted within allocated memory blocks?

- a) External Fragmentation
- b) Internal Fragmentation
- c) Contiguous Fragmentation
- d) None of the above

Answer: b

9. Which replacement policy replaces the page that has not been used for the longest period of time?

- a) FIFO
- b) LRU
- c) Optimal
- d) Clock

Answer: b

10. Thrashing is caused by:

- a) Too many programs running simultaneously
- b) High degree of multiprogramming
- c) Low CPU utilization
- d) All of the above

Answer: d

11. In paging, the size of a page table is dependent on:

- a) Number of pages
- b) Number of frames
- c) Size of pages
- d) Number of processes

Answer: a

12. The algorithm used for memory compaction is:

- a) Best-fit
- b) First-fit
- c) Buddy system
- d) Worst-fit

Answer: c

13. When a process is in memory, its segments are loaded into:

- a) Contiguous blocks
- b) Non-contiguous blocks
- c) Fixed-size partitions
- d) Variable-size partitions

Answer: b

14. A page fault occurs when:

- a) A page is found in the memory
- b) A page is not found in the memory
- c) A page is corrupted
- d) A page is read-only

Answer: b

15. The primary advantage of segmented memory management is:

- a) Simplified memory allocation
- b) Efficient use of memory
- c) Improved security and protection
- d) Faster access time

Answer: c

16. What does TLB stand for?

- a) Translation Lookaside Buffer
- b) Temporary Load Buffer
- c) Transfer Line Buffer
- d) Translation Load Buffer

Answer: a

17. Which of the following best describes "demand paging"?

- a) Pages are loaded into memory at the start of a process
- b) Pages are loaded only when they are needed
- c) All pages of a process are preloaded
- d) Pages are periodically swapped in and out

Answer: b

18. In the context of memory management, the term "swapping" refers to:

- a) Exchanging the contents of two pages
- b) Moving processes between main memory and disk
- c) Reallocating memory from one process to another
- d) Sharing memory between processes

Answer: b

19. The primary disadvantage of the FIFO page replacement algorithm is:

- a) Complexity
- b) Anomaly behavior
- c) Slow execution
- d) High overhead

Answer: b

20. Which memory allocation strategy suffers from external fragmentation?

- a) Fixed partitioning
- b) Paging
- c) Segmentation
- d) Variable partitioning

Answer: d

21. The term "virtual memory" refers to:

- a) Memory on secondary storage
- b) The addressable memory space
- c) The RAM installed in the computer
- d) A combination of RAM and disk space

Answer: d

22. Which hardware mechanism is essential for implementing virtual memory?

- a) Cache memory
- b) TLB
- c) MMU
- d) DMA

Answer: c

23. The optimal page replacement algorithm is:

- a) Implemented in hardware
- b) Theoretically the best
- c) Least recently used
- d) First-in, first-out

Answer: b

24. Which one is not a state in process life cycle?

- a) Ready
- b) Waiting
- c) Blocked
- d) Running

Answer: c

25. The main purpose of the memory hierarchy is to:

- a) Provide the fastest possible access to data
- b) Increase the size of memory available
- c) Provide redundant copies of data
- d) Reduce the cost of memory

Answer: a

26. Page tables are stored in:

- a) Main memory
- b) Cache
- c) Registers
- d) Disk

Answer: a

27. Which of the following is used to prevent thrashing?

- a) Increase the degree of multiprogramming
- b) Reduce the degree of multiprogramming
- c) Use larger pages
- d) Use smaller pages

Answer: b

28. A page table entry in a pure paging system contains:

- a) Page number
- b) Frame number
- c) Disk address
- d) Logical address

Answer: b

29. The "working set" model is used for:

- a) Memory allocation
- b) Page replacement
- c) Process scheduling
- d) Disk scheduling

Answer: b

30. What does the term "dirty bit" signify in the context of memory pages?

- a) The page is read-only
- b) The page has been modified
- c) The page is locked
- d) The page is shared

Answer: b

31. Which memory management scheme permits the physical address space of a process to be non-contiguous?

- a) Paging
- b) Contiguous allocation
- c) Fixed partitioning
- d) Dynamic partitioning

Answer: a

32. Which of the following is true for segmentation?

- a) Segments have fixed size
- b) Segments can vary in size
- c) Segments are implemented in hardware
- d) Segments do not support sharing

Answer: b

33. When a process references a page that is not in memory, it results in:

- a) Segmentation fault
- b) Page fault
- c) Stack overflow
- d) Memory leak

Answer: b

34. Belady's anomaly is associated with which page replacement algorithm?

- a) FIFO
- b) LRU
- c) LFU
- d) Optimal

Answer: a

35. The primary goal of memory management is to:

- a) Maximize CPU usage
- b) Maximize disk usage
- c) Maximize the utilization of memory
- d) Minimize response time

Answer: c

36. The concept of "paging" involves:

- a) Dividing a process into equal-sized pages
- b) Dividing memory into fixed-size blocks
- c) Both a and b
- d) Neither a nor b

Answer: c

37. In a paging system, what does the term "page frame" refer to?

- a) A section of the virtual address space
- b) A section of the physical memory
- c) A segment of the process code
- d) A disk block

Answer: b

38. Which of the following statements about the "best-fit" memory allocation strategy is true?

- a) It always provides the smallest leftover hole
- b) It is faster than first-fit
- c) It always leads to more fragmentation
- d) It is less efficient than worst-fit

Answer: a

39. Which of the following algorithms requires knowledge of the future?

- a) LRU
- b) FIFO
- c) Optimal
- d) Clock

Answer: c

40. Which memory management technique has the problem of suffering from internal fragmentation?

- a) Segmentation
- b) Paging
- c) Fixed partitioning
- d) Dynamic partitioning

Answer: c

41. Which type of memory allocation is associated with external fragmentation?

- a) Paging
- b) Segmentation

- c) Variable partitioning
- d) Fixed partitioning

Answer: c

42. The principle of locality of reference justifies the use of:

- a) Cache memory
- b) Virtual memory
- c) Segmentation
- d) None of the above

Answer: a

43. Which memory management technique supports multiprogramming?

- a) Fixed partitioning
- b) Variable partitioning
- c) Paging
- d) All of the above

Answer: d

44. Which of the following is not a valid page replacement policy?

- a) FIFO
- b) LRU
- c) SSTF
- d) Optimal

Answer: c

45. The inverted page table is used to:

- a) Reduce the number of page tables
- b) Speed up the translation process
- c) Save memory
- d) All of the above

Answer: d

46. The size of a process's address space is defined by:

- a) Physical memory size
- b) Virtual memory size
- c) Number of processes
- d) Process's code size

Answer: b

47. The "buddy system" is used for:

- a) Allocating memory in variable-size blocks
- b) Allocating memory in fixed-size blocks
- c) Efficient disk scheduling
- d) Process synchronization

Answer: a

48. Which page replacement algorithm is most likely to cause thrashing?

- a) FIFO

- b) LRU
- c) LFU
- d) Optimal

Answer: a

49. Which of the following memory management techniques allows for the sharing of code and data?

- a) Paging
- b) Segmentation
- c) Both a and b
- d) None of the above

Answer: c

50. The primary function of the relocation register is to:

- a) Translate logical addresses to physical addresses
- b) Keep track of free memory spaces
- c) Store the base address of the program
- d) Hold the limit of the process

Answer: a

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51. Which of the following is true for demand paging?

- a) All pages are loaded into memory at the start
- b) Pages are loaded on demand
- c) Entire process is swapped at once
- d) None of the above

Answer: b

52. Page replacement occurs when:

- a) A page is modified
- b) A page is read from disk
- c) A new page is needed but no free frames are available
- d) All of the above

Answer: c

53. The term "soft page fault" refers to:

- a) A page fault handled without accessing the disk
- b) A page fault that requires disk access
- c) A page fault that cannot be resolved
- d) None of the above

Answer: a

54. Which scheduling algorithm can lead to starvation?

- a) FIFO
- b) Round Robin
- c) Shortest Job Next
- d) None of the above

Answer: c

55. The page table base register (PTBR) is used to:

- a) Store the starting address of the page table
- b) Store the size of the page table
- c) Keep track of the free page frames
- d) Manage the cache memory

Answer: a

56. A major issue in memory management is:

- a) Maximizing CPU usage
- b) Minimizing disk space
- c) Balancing memory usage and CPU performance
- d) All of the above

Answer: d

57. The "clock" page replacement algorithm is a modification of:

- a) FIFO
- b) LRU
- c) Optimal
- d) LFU

Answer: a

58. Inverted page tables are used primarily to:

- a) Decrease memory usage
- b) Increase memory usage
- c) Handle larger memory spaces
- d) Simplify address translation

Answer: a

59. The concept of "memory hierarchy" in computer systems is primarily based on:

- a) Cost and speed
- b) Size and access time
- c) Access time and frequency of access
- d) All of the above

Answer: d

60. Which page replacement algorithm does not suffer from Belady's anomaly?

- a) FIFO
- b) LRU
- c) Optimal
- d) Clock

Answer: b

61. Which of the following terms is used to describe the concept of allocating portions of physical memory to different processes in such a way that each process can run as if it has the entire memory to itself?

- a) Segmentation

- b) Virtual Memory
- c) Paging
- d) Memory Management

Answer: b

62. The "TLB hit" ratio is:

- a) The percentage of times that a page is found in the TLB
- b) The percentage of times that a page is not found in the TLB
- c) The percentage of times that a page fault occurs
- d) None of the above

Answer: a

63. The primary purpose of segmentation is:

- a) To provide more memory
- b) To provide protection and sharing
- c) To speed up the CPU
- d) To facilitate swapping

Answer: b

64. The purpose of a memory map in a memory management system is:

- a) To track free and used memory locations
- b) To translate logical addresses to physical addresses
- c) To prevent fragmentation
- d) To speed up memory access

Answer: a

65. Which of the following is not an advantage of paging?

- a) Elimination of external fragmentation
- b) Ease of relocation
- c) Simplicity of implementation
- d) Reducing the number of page faults

Answer: d

66. When a process requests more memory than is physically available, the operating system will:

- a) Increase the size of RAM
- b) Use virtual memory techniques
- c) Terminate the process
- d) Run the process in slow mode

Answer: b

67. Which of the following is true about "page size" in a paging system?

- a) Larger page sizes can reduce page table size
- b) Smaller page sizes can reduce internal fragmentation
- c) Both a and b
- d) None of the above

Answer: c

68. A segment table entry typically contains:

- a) Segment number
- b) Base address and limit
- c) Logical address
- d) Physical address

Answer: b

69. In a virtual memory system, what is "page stealing"?

- a) Taking a page frame from another process
- b) Swapping a page to disk
- c) Allocating a new page frame
- d) None of the above

Answer: a

70. The primary disadvantage of the "best-fit" memory allocation strategy is:

- a) It always leaves the smallest leftover hole
- b) It is faster than first-fit
- c) It tends to fragment memory
- d) It is less efficient than worst-fit

Answer: c

71. Which of the following is not a characteristic of segmentation?

- a) Each segment has a name and length
- b) Segments are of the same size
- c) Segments can be shared
- d) Segments can grow or shrink independently

Answer: b

72. In memory management, a "resident set" refers to:

- a) The portion of a process that is actually in physical memory
- b) The entire virtual memory space of a process
- c) The number of processes in the system
- d) The number of page frames allocated to a process

Answer: a

73. What is the role of a "swap space" in a virtual memory system?

- a) To store frequently accessed data
- b) To hold pages that are swapped out of main memory
- c) To manage memory allocation
- d) To speed up disk access

Answer: b

74. In the context of memory management, "garbage collection" refers to:

- a) Reclaiming memory that is no longer in use
- b) Allocating new memory
- c) Defragmenting memory
- d) Swapping out pages

Answer: a

75. Which of the following is a method to handle a deadlock situation?

- a) Avoidance
- b) Prevention
- c) Detection
- d) All of the above

Answer: d

76. In a paged memory system, the "frame" is:

- a) A portion of virtual memory
- b) A portion of physical memory
- c) A data structure used to map virtual to physical addresses
- d) An entry in the page table

Answer: b

77. The "second chance" page replacement algorithm is an enhancement of:

- a) FIFO
- b) LRU
- c) Optimal
- d) LFU

Answer: a

78. In a segmented memory system, the logical address consists of:

- a) Page number and offset
- b) Segment number and offset
- c) Frame number and offset
- d) Block number and offset

Answer: b

79. Which of the following best describes "thrashing"?

- a) Excessive swapping of pages in and out of memory
- b) A large number of page faults
- c) High CPU utilization
- d) A state in which no process can progress

Answer: a

80. Which of the following page replacement algorithms suffers from the "Belady's anomaly"?

- a) LRU
- b) FIFO
- c) Optimal
- d) Second chance

Answer: b

81. In the context of operating systems, what is a "dirty page"?

- a) A page that has not been accessed for a long time
- b) A page that has been modified
- c) A page that is being used by multiple processes
- d) A page that contains executable code

Answer: b

82. The main purpose of a "page table" in a virtual memory system is to:

- a) Manage the allocation of page frames
- b) Translate logical addresses to physical addresses
- c) Keep track of free memory
- d) Store the contents of each page

Answer: b

83. Which of the following is not an example of internal fragmentation?

- a) Unused memory within allocated blocks
- b) Unused memory between allocated blocks
- c) Memory allocated but not used by the process
- d) Memory wasted due to page size

Answer: b

84. The "working set" of a process is:

- a) The total set of pages that the process can access
- b) The set of pages currently in physical memory
- c) The set of pages the process is currently using
- d) The set of pages the process will need in the future

Answer: c

85. Which of the following is true about the "least recently used (LRU)" page replacement algorithm?

- a) It replaces the page that has not been used for the longest time
- b) It replaces the page that will not be used for the longest time
- c) It replaces the page that is least frequently used
- d) It replaces the page that was brought into memory first

Answer: a

86. Which of the following is a disadvantage of the "first-fit" memory allocation strategy?

- a) It is less efficient than best-fit
- b) It always leaves the smallest leftover hole
- c) It can lead to fragmentation
- d) It is slower than worst-fit

Answer: c

87. In the context of memory management, what is "pre-paging"?

- a) Loading pages before they are accessed
- b) Loading pages on demand
- c) Loading all pages of a process at once
- d) Loading only frequently accessed pages

Answer: a

88. In a system with virtual memory, "page fault frequency" can be reduced by:

- a) Increasing the page size
- b) Increasing the degree of multiprogramming
- c) Increasing the size of the working set
- d) Decreasing the size of the working set

Answer: c

89. Which of the following best describes "virtual address space"?

- a) The set of all logical addresses used by a process
- b) The set of all physical addresses used by a process
- c) The total amount of physical memory in the system
- d) The total amount of disk space in the system

Answer: a

90. Which of the following is a dynamic storage allocation technique that attempts to minimize the amount of wasted memory?

- a) First-fit
- b) Best-fit
- c) Worst-fit
- d) Next-fit

Answer: b

91. In the context of virtual memory, what does "swapping" mean?

- a) Exchanging data between cache and main memory
- b) Moving entire processes between main memory and disk
- c) Moving pages between main memory and disk
- d) Exchanging data between registers and main memory

Answer: b

92. In a system with virtual memory, "demand paging" is a technique that:

- a) Loads pages into memory on demand
- b) Loads all pages of a process into memory at once
- c) Loads pages into memory before they are needed
- d) Keeps frequently used pages in memory

Answer: a

93. The "page fault frequency" algorithm is used to:

- a) Determine the optimal page size
- b) Control the rate of page faults
- c) Manage the page table
- d) Optimize disk access time

Answer: b

94. What is the main purpose of "memory compaction"?

- a) To reduce the size of memory
- b) To eliminate internal fragmentation
- c) To reduce external fragmentation
- d) To speed up memory access

Answer: c

95. In a paging system, the "page table" is used to:

- a) Keep track of free memory
- b) Translate virtual addresses to physical addresses
- c) Manage the allocation of page frames
- d) Store the contents of each page

Answer: b

96. Which of the following best describes the "optimal" page replacement algorithm?

- a) It replaces the page that has not been used for the longest time
- b) It replaces the page that will not be used for the longest time
- c) It replaces the page that is least frequently used
- d) It replaces the page that was brought into memory first

Answer: b

97. The "clock" page replacement algorithm is also known as:

- a) FIFO
- b) LRU
- c) Second chance
- d) Optimal

Answer: c

98. Which of the following is an advantage of using "segmentation" in memory management?

- a) Simplifies memory allocation
- b) Reduces the size of page tables
- c) Provides protection and sharing
- d) Eliminates external fragmentation

Answer: c

99. In the context of memory management, what is a "page frame"?

- a) A fixed-size block of physical memory
- b) A fixed-size block of virtual memory
- c) A variable-size block of physical memory
- d) A variable-size block of virtual memory

Answer: a

100. Which of the following is a disadvantage of "fixed partitioning" in memory management?

- a) External fragmentation
- b) Internal fragmentation
- c) Complexity of implementation
- d) High overhead

Answer: b

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101. Which of the following algorithms uses a circular buffer to track pages?

- a) FIFO
- b) LRU
- c) Clock
- d) Optimal

Answer: c

102. The "LRU-K" page replacement algorithm extends the LRU algorithm by considering:

- a) The last K references of each page

- b) The first K references of each page
- c) The number of times a page has been referenced
- d) The age of each page

Answer: a

103. In the context of page replacement, the "aging" algorithm simulates:

- a) FIFO
- b) LRU
- c) LFU
- d) Optimal

Answer: b

104. The main advantage of "dynamic partitioning" over "fixed partitioning" is:

- a) Simplicity
- b) Flexibility
- c) Speed
- d) Cost

Answer: b

105. The purpose of a "reference bit" in a page table entry is to:

- a) Indicate if the page is modified
- b) Track if the page is recently accessed
- c) Indicate if the page is in memory
- d) Store the frame number

Answer: b

106. Which memory management technique divides programs into variable-size segments?

- a) Paging
- b) Segmentation
- c) Fixed partitioning
- d) Dynamic partitioning

Answer: b

107. In a virtual memory system, what is the "resident set size"?

- a) The total number of pages in virtual memory
- b) The number of pages currently in physical memory
- c) The maximum number of pages that can be in memory
- d) The number of pages in secondary storage

Answer: b

108. The "Buddy system" is a memory allocation technique that:

- a) Allocates memory in powers of two
- b) Allocates memory in variable-size blocks
- c) Allocates memory in fixed-size blocks
- d) Allocates memory based on process size

Answer: a

109. What is the "hit ratio" in the context of cache memory?

- a) The percentage of accesses found in the cache
- b) The percentage of accesses not found in the cache
- c) The time taken to access data in the cache
- d) The size of the cache memory

Answer: a

110. In a demand paging system, a "page fault" occurs when:

- a) A page is not found in memory
- b) A page is modified
- c) A page is read-only
- d) A page is in memory

Answer: a

111. The primary purpose of the "page replacement" algorithm is to:

- a) Minimize the number of page faults
- b) Maximize the number of page faults
- c) Increase CPU utilization
- d) Decrease CPU utilization

Answer: a

112. Which of the following is true about "global" page replacement?

- a) Pages are replaced from the process's own set
- b) Pages can be replaced from any process
- c) Pages are replaced from the system cache
- d) Pages cannot be replaced

Answer: b

113. In the context of memory management, "internal fragmentation" refers to:

- a) Wasted space within allocated memory blocks
- b) Wasted space between allocated memory blocks
- c) Wasted space in the page table
- d) Wasted space in the swap area

Answer: a

114. The "not recently used (NRU)" page replacement algorithm uses which of the following bits?

- a) Reference bit and modified bit
- b) Reference bit only
- c) Modified bit only
- d) Present bit and modified bit

Answer: a

115. Which of the following is an example of "preemptive" scheduling?

- a) Shortest Job Next
- b) Round Robin
- c) First Come First Serve
- d) Priority Scheduling

Answer: b

116. In a paged memory system, a "frame" is:

- a) A portion of virtual memory
- b) A portion of physical memory
- c) A data structure used to map virtual to physical addresses
- d) An entry in the page table

Answer: b

117. The "Optimal" page replacement algorithm is also known as:

- a) Belady's algorithm
- b) LRU algorithm
- c) Clock algorithm
- d) LFU algorithm

Answer: a

118. Which of the following is a disadvantage of the "best-fit" memory allocation strategy?

- a) It always leaves the largest leftover hole
- b) It is faster than first-fit
- c) It tends to fragment memory
- d) It is less efficient than worst-fit

Answer: c

119. Which of the following best describes "external fragmentation"?

- a) Wasted space within allocated memory blocks
- b) Wasted space between allocated memory blocks
- c) Wasted space in the page table
- d) Wasted space in the swap area

Answer: b

120. The "resident set management" in a virtual memory system refers to:

- a) The total set of pages that the process can access
- b) The set of pages currently in physical memory
- c) The set of pages the process is currently using
- d) The set of pages the process will need in the future

Answer: b

121. In the context of memory management, what is "page sharing"?

- a) Multiple processes using the same physical page
- b) Multiple processes using different physical pages
- c) A single process using multiple pages
- d) None of the above

Answer: a

122. The "thrashing" in a virtual memory system is primarily caused by:

- a) High CPU utilization
- b) High disk utilization
- c) Low CPU utilization
- d) Low disk utilization

Answer: b

123. Which of the following is true about "local" page replacement?

- a) Pages are replaced from the process's own set
- b) Pages can be replaced from any process
- c) Pages are replaced from the system cache
- d) Pages cannot be replaced

Answer: a

124. The main disadvantage of "dynamic partitioning" in memory management is:

- a) External fragmentation
- b) Internal fragmentation
- c) Complexity of implementation
- d) High overhead

Answer: a

125. In a virtual memory system, the "working set" model is used to:

- a) Keep frequently used pages in memory
- b) Load pages on demand
- c) Determine the optimal page size
- d) Optimize disk access time

Answer: a

126. The "translation lookaside buffer (TLB)" is used to:

- a) Speed up the translation of virtual addresses to physical addresses
- b) Speed up the translation of physical addresses to virtual addresses
- c) Manage the page table
- d) Manage the cache memory

Answer: a

127. Which of the following is an example of a "non-preemptive" scheduling algorithm?

- a) Round Robin
- b) Shortest Job Next
- c) Priority Scheduling
- d) Multilevel Queue Scheduling

Answer: b

128. The main purpose of a "page fault handler" is to:

- a) Handle page faults
- b) Manage the page table
- c) Allocate page frames
- d) Optimize disk access time

Answer: a

129. The "aging" algorithm in page replacement uses:

- a) A counter to keep track of the age of each page
- b) A bit vector to keep track of page references
- c) A FIFO queue to manage pages
- d) An LRU stack to manage pages

Answer: a

130. Which of the following best describes the "Buddy system" memory allocation technique?

- a) Allocates memory in fixed-size blocks
- b) Allocates memory in variable-size blocks
- c) Allocates memory in powers of two
- d) Allocates memory based on process size

Answer: c

131. The main advantage of using "paging" in memory management is:

- a) Eliminates internal fragmentation
- b) Eliminates external fragmentation
- c) Simplifies memory allocation
- d) Provides protection and sharing

Answer: b

132. In the context of memory management, what is a "page table entry (PTE)"?

- a) An entry in the page table that maps a virtual page to a physical frame
- b) An entry in the page table that stores the contents of a page
- c) An entry in the page table that keeps track of free memory
- d) An entry in the page table that manages page faults

Answer: a

133. The "clock" page replacement algorithm is an approximation of:

- a) FIFO
- b) LRU
- c) Optimal
- d) LFU

Answer: b

134. In a segmented memory system, the "base register" is used to:

- a) Store the starting address of a segment
- b) Store the size of a segment
- c) Keep track of the free segments
- d) Manage the segment table

Answer: a

135. The "FIFO" page replacement algorithm is:

- a) Simple to implement
- b) Complex to implement
- c) The most efficient
- d) The least efficient

Answer: a

136. In a paged memory system, the "page frame number (PFN)" is:

- a) A portion of virtual memory
- b) A portion of physical memory
- c) A data structure used to map virtual to physical addresses
- d) An entry in the page table

Answer: b

137. The "dirty bit" in a page table entry is used to indicate:

- a) If the page has been modified
- b) If the page is in memory
- c) If the page is read-only
- d) If the page is shared

Answer: a

138. The main disadvantage of the "worst-fit" memory allocation strategy is:

- a) It always leaves the largest leftover hole
- b) It is faster than first-fit
- c) It tends to fragment memory
- d) It is less efficient than best-fit

Answer: c

139. The "page fault rate" in a virtual memory system can be minimized by:

- a) Increasing the size of the working set
- b) Decreasing the size of the working set
- c) Increasing the page size
- d) Decreasing the page size

Answer: a

140. The "TLB miss" ratio is:

- a) The percentage of times that a page is found in the TLB
- b) The percentage of times that a page is not found in the TLB
- c) The percentage of times that a page fault occurs
- d) The percentage of times that a page is found in the page table

Answer: b

141. The primary purpose of the "memory management unit (MMU)" is to:

- a) Manage the memory allocation
- b) Manage the virtual memory system
- c) Manage the page table
- d) Translate virtual addresses to physical addresses

Answer: d

142. In a segmented memory system, the "limit register" is used to:

- a) Store the starting address of a segment
- b) Store the size of a segment
- c) Keep track of the free segments
- d) Manage the segment table

Answer: b

143. The "page fault frequency (PFF)" algorithm is used to:

- a) Control the rate of page faults
- b) Manage the page table
- c) Allocate page frames
- d) Optimize disk access time

Answer: a

144. Which of the following is a disadvantage of "segmentation" in memory management?

- a) Complexity of implementation
- b) Internal fragmentation
- c) External fragmentation
- d) High overhead

Answer: c

145. In the context of memory management, what is "compaction"?

- a) Reclaiming memory that is no longer in use
- b) Allocating new memory
- c) Defragmenting memory
- d) Swapping out pages

Answer: c

146. The "working set model" is used to:

- a) Keep frequently used pages in memory
- b) Load pages on demand
- c) Determine the optimal page size
- d) Optimize disk access time

Answer: a

147. The "page fault handler" is a:

- a) Hardware component
- b) Software routine
- c) Memory management unit
- d) Disk management unit

Answer: b

148. Which of the following is true about the "least frequently used (LFU)" page replacement algorithm?

- a) It replaces the page that has been used the least frequently
- b) It replaces the page that has been used the most frequently
- c) It replaces the page that has not been used for the longest time
- d) It replaces the page that will not be used for the longest time

Answer: a

149. The "dirty bit" is also known as the:

- a) Reference bit
- b) Modify bit
- c) Present bit
- d) Access bit

Answer: b

150. The main purpose of the "swap space" in a virtual memory system is to:

- a) Store frequently accessed pages
- b) Store infrequently accessed pages

- c) Store pages that are swapped out of memory
- d) Store the page table

Answer: c

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 - b) status register
 - c) instruction register
 - d) program status word
 - [Answer: a\) program counter ¹](#)
2. **A memory buffer used to accommodate a speed differential is called:**
 - a) stack pointer
 - b) cache
 - c) accumulator
 - d) disk buffer
 - [Answer: b\) cache ¹](#)
3. **Which one of the following is the address generated by CPU?**
 - a) physical address
 - b) absolute address
 - c) logical address
 - d) none of the mentioned
 - [Answer: c\) logical address ¹](#)
4. **Run-time mapping from virtual to physical address is done by:**
 - a) Memory management unit
 - b) CPU
 - c) PCI
 - d) None of the mentioned
 - [Answer: a\) Memory management unit ¹](#)
5. **Memory management technique in which the system stores and retrieves data from secondary storage for use in main memory is called:**
 - a) fragmentation
 - b) paging
 - c) mapping
 - d) none of the mentioned
 - [Answer: b\) paging ¹](#)
6. **The address of a page table in memory is pointed to by:**
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 - b) page table base register
 - c) page register
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 - [Answer: b\) page table base register ¹](#)
7. **Program always deals with:**
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 - b) absolute address
 - c) physical address
 - d) relative address
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8. **The page table contains:**
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- b) page offset
 - c) page size
 - d) none of the mentioned
 - [Answer: a\) base address of each page in physical memory ¹](#)
9. **What is compaction?**
- a) A technique for overcoming internal fragmentation
 - b) A paging technique
 - c) A technique for overcoming external fragmentation
 - d) A technique for overcoming fatal error
 - [Answer: a\) A technique for overcoming internal fragmentation ¹](#)
10. **Operating System maintains the page table for:**
- a) each process
 - b) each thread
 - c) each instruction
 - d) each address
 - [Answer: a\) each process ¹](#)
11. **Which of the following is a disadvantage of using a fixed partitioning memory allocation technique?**
- a) It leads to external fragmentation.
 - b) It requires dynamic relocation.
 - c) It results in inefficient memory utilization.
 - d) It cannot handle variable-sized processes.
 - [Answer: a\) It leads to external fragmentation ¹.](#)
12. **What is the purpose of a page table in virtual memory systems?**
- a) To store the actual data of pages.
 - b) To map logical addresses to physical addresses.
 - c) To manage cache memory.
 - d) To handle interrupts.
 - [Answer: b\) To map logical addresses to physical addresses ¹.](#)
13. **Which memory management technique swaps entire processes in and out of main memory?**
- a) Paging
 - b) Segmentation
 - c) Swapping
 - d) Fragmentation
 - [Answer: c\) Swapping ¹.](#)
14. **What is the purpose of a TLB (Translation Lookaside Buffer)?**
- a) To store page table entries.
 - b) To cache frequently accessed pages.
 - c) To speed up address translation.
 - d) To manage virtual memory.
 - [Answer: c\) To speed up address translation ¹.](#)
15. **Which memory allocation technique allows processes to be allocated memory in non-contiguous chunks?**
- a) Fixed partitioning
 - b) Dynamic partitioning
 - c) Paging
 - d) Segmentation
 - [Answer: d\) Segmentation ¹.](#)

16. **What is the purpose of a buddy system in memory management?**
- a) To prevent memory leaks.
 - b) To allocate memory in fixed-size blocks.
 - c) To manage memory fragmentation.
 - d) To handle page faults.
 - [**Answer: b\) To allocate memory in fixed-size blocks ¹.**](#)
17. **Which memory management technique uses a page table to map logical addresses to physical addresses?**
- a) Paging
 - b) Segmentation
 - c) Swapping
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 - [**Answer: a\) Paging ¹.**](#)
18. **What is the purpose of a free list in memory allocation?**
- a) To track allocated memory blocks.
 - b) To manage cache memory.
 - c) To store available memory blocks.
 - d) To handle page faults.
 - [**Answer: c\) To store available memory blocks ¹.**](#)
19. **Which memory management technique allows processes to share memory segments?**
- a) Paging
 - b) Segmentation
 - c) Swapping
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 - [**Answer: b\) Segmentation ¹.**](#)
20. **What is the role of a memory manager in an operating system?**
- a) To allocate CPU time to processes.
 - b) To manage disk storage.
 - c) To allocate and deallocate memory.
 - d) To handle I/O operations.
 - [**Answer: c\) To allocate and deallocate memory ¹.**](#)
11. **Which memory management technique uses fixed-size partitions?**
- a) Paging
 - b) Segmentation
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 - [**Answer: b\) Segmentation ¹.**](#)
12. **Which of the following is an example of external fragmentation?**
- a) Unused memory blocks scattered throughout the memory
 - b) Unused memory blocks adjacent to each other
 - c) Allocation of memory blocks in a contiguous manner
 - d) Allocation of memory blocks using paging
 - [**Answer: a\) Unused memory blocks scattered throughout the memory ¹.**](#)
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- a) Paging
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