

# Implementation of the Page Table

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## 1. Implementation of `init_paging()`

This function was implemented by initializing the variables.

## 2. Implementation of `PageTable()` constructor:

For this function I have used the logic used in

<http://www.osdever.net/tutorials/view/implementing-basic-paging> article. First, the page directory address was created by first requesting a frame of size `PAGE_SIZE` using the `get_frames` function from `cont_frame_pool`. This page directory address was stored in the `page_directory` variable. Similarly, the base address of the first page table was created using the same `get_frames` function and stored in the `page_table` variable.

Next, for each entries in the page table, the entry was marked as being “present” by marking the present, read/write and user/kernel as being present (set to bit 1). The address was moved by 4kB as that is the size of the page.

Once the page table entries were marked, I added the page table base address into the first index of the page directory and set this address's present bit as 1. For all other page directory entries I marked the present bit as 0. The page table constructor is now ready.

## 3. Implementation of `load()`:

Load function was fairly simple to implement. I wrote the address of the page directory into the `cr3` register (which holds the page directory address in x86). Now the page directory was loaded.

## 4. Implementation of `enable_paging()`:

To enable paging, I first set the `paging_enabled` variable by assigning value 1. Finally I wrote into the `cr0` register the value 1 to enable paging (setting paging bit to 1).

## 5. Implementation of `handle_fault()`:

The implementation of this function was done in three major steps.

### Step 1: Retrieve the faulty address:

In this step, I first read the `cr2` register to retrieve the address causing the fault. From this address I retrieved the first 10 bits for the page directory index and middle 10 bits for the page table index by doing bit shifting.

### Step 2: Resolve page fault in the page directory:

If the page directory entry is not present, I first request a frame for the new page directory entry (a new page table address). Using the faulty page directory index from step 1, I insert the page table address into the corresponding page directory index. Setting this address's present bit to 1 makes this entry “present”. To finish it off, I marked

all the page table entries for the page pointed to by the page directory entry as not being present.

Step 3: Resolve page fault in the page table:

First, I check if the page table entry is valid, if it is not, then I can go ahead and address the page fault. If the page table entry is not present, I first request a frame for the new page table entry. Using the faulty page table index from step 1, I insert the newly created page table entry into the page table at the corresponding index. Finally, I mark this address as set by marking the present bit as 1.