

MP 4 Document

1. PageTable Implementation

- PageTable Constructor
 - Allocate Page Directory (PD):
 - Get 1 frame from the kernel memory pool to serve as the Page Directory.
 - Initialize all entries in the PD to "Supervisor, Read/Write, Not Present" (0x2).
 - Set up Shared Region (first 4MB):
 - Calculate the number of required page tables for the shared region.
 - Allocate frames for each page table from the kernel memory pool.
 - Initialize page tables with direct mapping (virtual address = physical address).
 - Set entries in page tables to "Supervisor, Read/Write, Present" (0x3).
 - Recursive Mapping:
 - Set the last entry of the PD to point back to itself, enabling recursive page table lookup.
- Handle_fault
 - Check Fault Address:
 - If the fault address is within the shared region, this indicates a critical error (should not happen).
 - Calculate Indices:
 - Compute Page Directory (PD) index and Page Table (PT) index from the faulting address.
 - Handle Missing Page Table:
 - Allocate a new frame from the kernel memory pool.
 - Initialize all entries in the new page table to "Supervisor, Read/Write, Not Present" (0x2).

- Update the corresponding PD entry to point to the new page table.
 - Handle Missing Page:
 - Allocate a new frame from the process memory pool.
 - Update the corresponding PT entry to map the new frame with "Supervisor, Read/Write, Present" (0x3).
- Register_pool:
 - Registers a virtual memory pool with the page table.
 - Maintains an array (registered_pools) of pointers to registered pools.
- Free_page:
 - Frees a page by releasing its frame back to the process memory pool.
 - Marks the page as invalid (0x2) and flushes the TLB.
- PDE_address and PTE_address:
 - Compute logical addresses of PDE and PTE using recursive mapping.
- Flush_tlb:
 - Flushes the TLB by reloading the CR3 register.

2. VMPool implementation

- VMPool Constructor
 - Initializes a virtual memory pool with:
 - Base logical address.
 - Size of the pool.
 - Pointer to the process memory pool (for physical frames).
 - Pointer to the associated page table.
 - Initially, the entire pool is marked as a single large free region.

- Registers itself with the page table.
- allocate
 - Allocates memory regions lazily:
 - Rounds requested size up to the nearest multiple of page size.
 - Searches for a sufficiently large free region.
 - Updates allocated and free region arrays accordingly.
 - Returns the logical start address of the allocated region or 0 if allocation fails.
- release
 - Releases previously allocated memory regions:
 - Finds the allocated region by its start address.
 - Frees all pages within the region via the page table (free_page).
 - Moves the region back to the free regions array.
- is_legitimate
 - Checks if a given logical address is within any allocated region.
 - Used by the page table during page fault handling to verify legitimate memory accesses.