

CS 354 - Machine Organization & Programming

Tuesday, October 22, 2019

Project p3 (6%): DUE at 10 pm on Monday, October 28th

Last Time

- Memory Hierarchy
- Locality
- Bad Locality
- Rethinking Addressing
- Caching Basic Idea

Today

- Caching Basic Idea (from last time)
- Designing a Cache - Blocks
- Designing a Cache - Sets and Tags
- Basic Cache Lines
- Basic Cache Operation
- Basic Cache Practice
- Direct Mapped Cache
- Set Associative Cache

Next Time

- Cache Performance and Coding Considerations

Read: B&O 6.4.5 - 6.4.7, 6.5 - 6.7

Designing a Cache - Blocks

✧ *The bits of an address*

How many bytes in an address space?

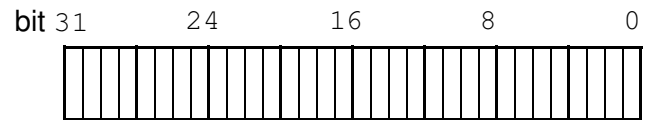
$$M = 2^m$$

$$m = \log_2 M$$

Let M be

Thus m is

32-bit Address Breakdown



How big is a block?

$$B = 2^b$$

$$b = \log_2 B$$

Let B be,

b bits:

➤ What is the problem with using the most significant bits (left side) for the b bits?

✧ *Cache blocks must be big enough
but small enough*

How many 32-byte blocks of memory in a 32-bit address space?

✧ *The remaining bits of an address*

Designing a Cache - Sets & Tags

✱ *A cache must be searched*

→ Problem?

Improvement?

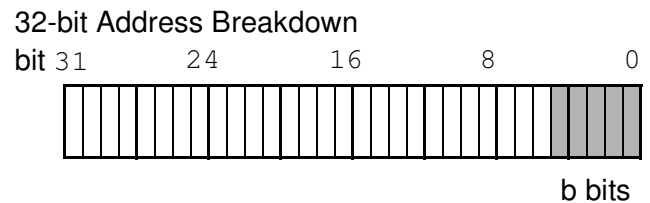
set:

How many sets in the cache?

$$S = 2^s$$

$$s = \log_2 S$$

Let S be



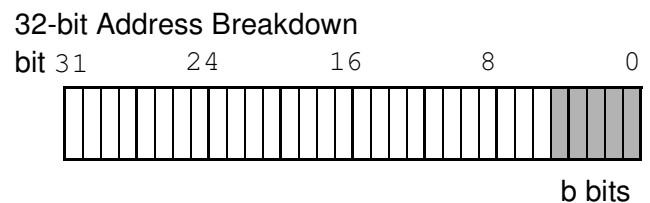
s bits:

➤ What is the problem with using the most significant bits (left side) for the s bits?

→ How many blocks map to each set for a 32-bit AS and a cache with 1024 sets? 8192 sets?

✱ *Different blocks of memory that map to same set*

**Since different blocks map to the same set
how do we identify which block is in a set?**



t bits:

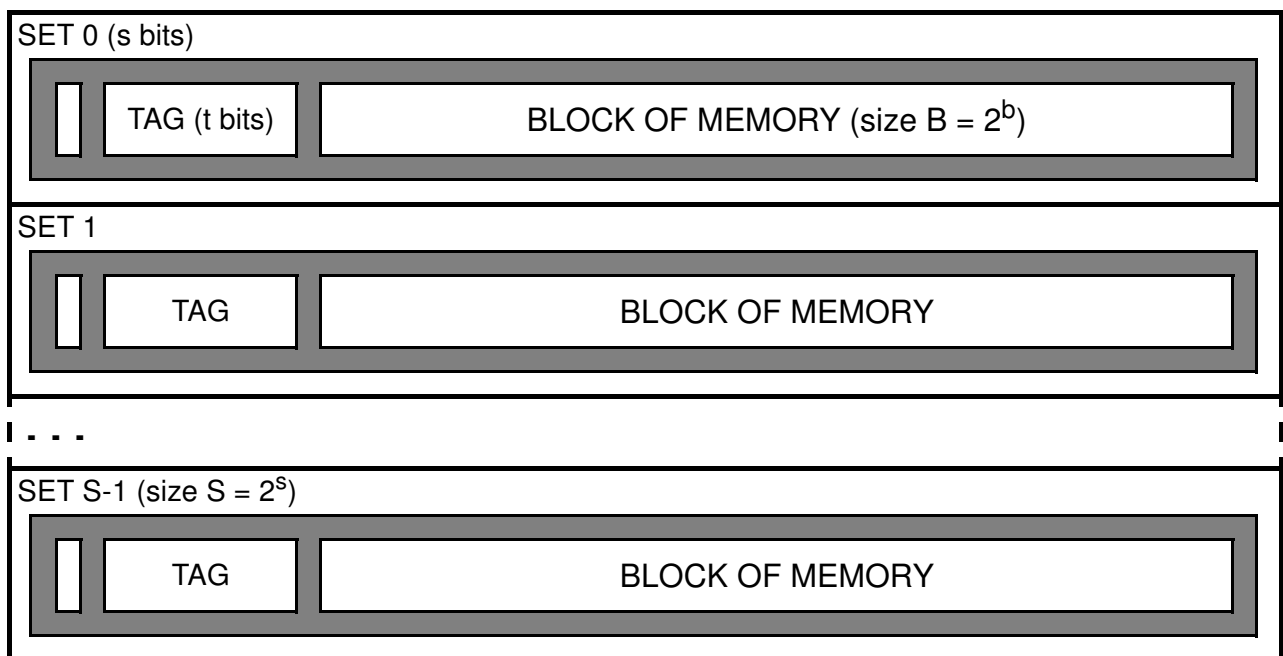
Basic Cache Lines

What? A line is

- ♦
- ♦

✱ *In our basic cache each set*

Basic Cache Diagram

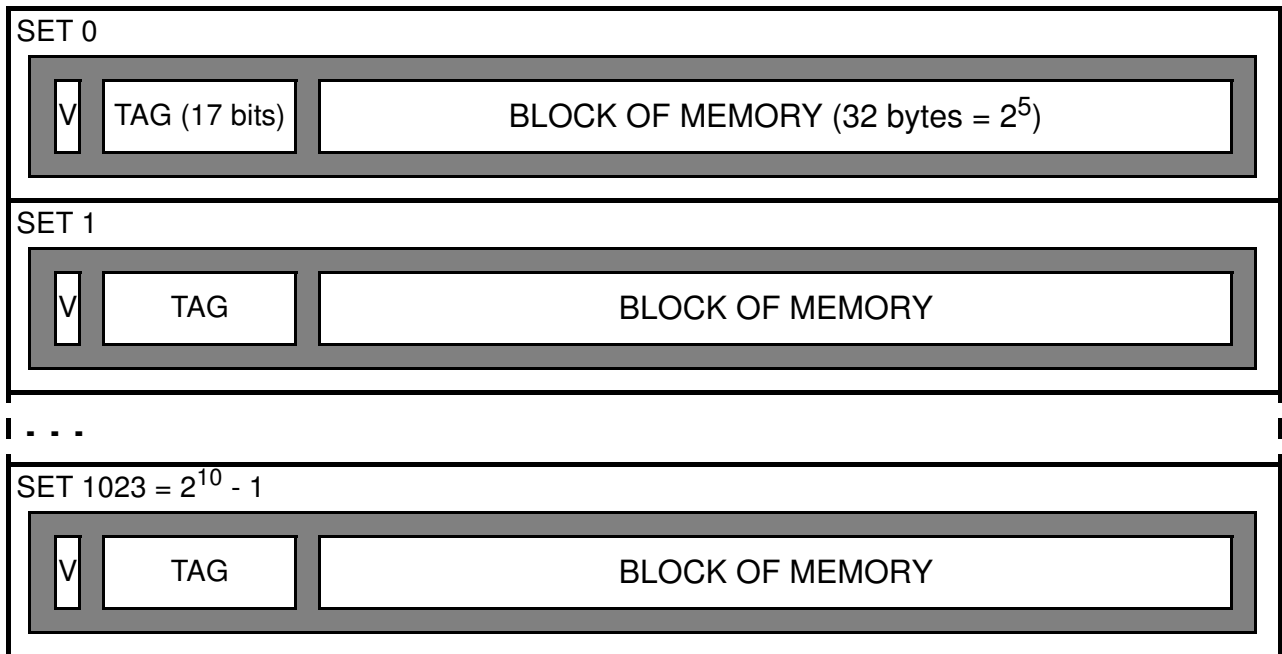


→ How do you know if a line in the cache is used or not?

→ How big is a basic cache given S sets with blocks having B bytes?

Basic Cache Operation

Basic Cache Diagram



→ How big is this basic cache?

How does a cache process a request for a word at a particular address?

1. Set Selection

2. Line Matching

32-bit Address Breakdown

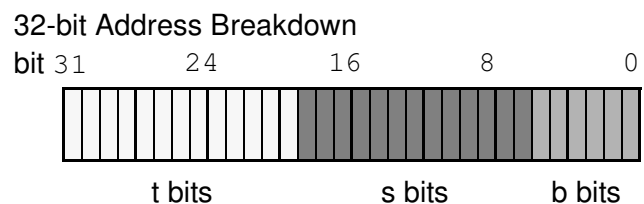


if no match or valid bit is 0

if match and valid bit is 1

Basic Cache Practice

You are given the following 32-bit address breakdown used by a cache:



→ How big are the blocks?

→ How many sets?

→ How big is this basic cache?

Assume the cache design above is given the following specific address: 0x07515E2B

→ Which set should be checked given the address above?

→ Which word in the block does the L1 cache access for the address?

➤ Which byte in the word does the address specify?

→ If a set had the following V bit and tag, does the address produce a hit or miss?

V tag

1.) 1 0x0750

2.) 0 0x0750

3.) 1 0x00EA

4.) 0 0x00EA

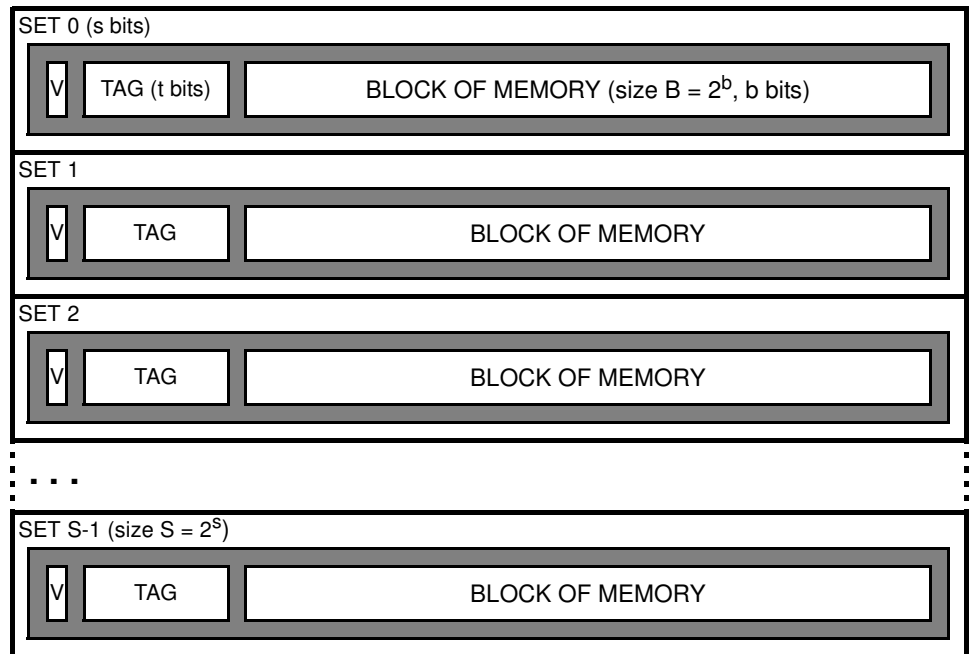
Direct Mapped Cache

Direct Mapped Cache

is a cache

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→ What happens when two different memory blocks map to the same set?

→ Improvements?

Set Associative Cache

Set Associative Cache

is a cache

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Let E be

E = 4 is

E = 1 is

Operation

1. Set Selection
2. Line Matching

* $C = (S, E, B, m)$

Let C be

→ How big is a cache given (1024, 4, 32, 32)?

