

## Workload 1: Sequential Allocation (Low Fragmentation)

**Purpose:** Baseline behavior, minimal fragmentation.

```
init memory 1024
set allocator first_fit
malloc 100
malloc 100
malloc 100
malloc 100
malloc 100
malloc 100
```

**Expected observation:**

- Single free block at the end
  - Near-zero external fragmentation
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## Workload 2: Alternating Free Pattern (External Fragmentation)

**Purpose:** Create many small holes.

```
init memory 1024
set allocator first_fit
malloc 100
malloc 100
malloc 100
malloc 100
malloc 100
malloc 100
free 2
free 4
malloc 50
malloc 50
```

**Expected observation:**

- Multiple non-contiguous free blocks
  - Fragmentation visible despite sufficient total free memory
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## Workload 3: Best-Fit Fragmentation Stress

**Purpose:** Show how best-fit increases fragmentation.

```
init memory 1024
set allocator best_fit
malloc 200
malloc 180
malloc 160
malloc 140
free 2
free 4
malloc 170
malloc 130
```

**Expected observation:**

- Many small unusable gaps
  - Large external fragmentation ratio
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## Workload 4: Worst-Fit Behavior

**Purpose:** Compare worst-fit against best-fit.

```
init memory 1024
set allocator worst_fit
malloc 300
malloc 100
malloc 100
free 1
malloc 90
malloc 80
```

**Expected observation:**

- Large free blocks persist longer
  - Different fragmentation pattern than best-fit
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## Workload 5: Compaction Demonstration

**Purpose:** Show effectiveness of compaction.

```
init memory 1024
set allocator first_fit
malloc 200
malloc 150
malloc 100
free 2
```

```
malloc 50  
compact
```

**Expected observation:**

- Allocated blocks shifted
  - One large free block at end
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## Workload 6: Allocation Failure Due to Fragmentation

**Purpose:** Show failure despite enough total free memory.

```
init memory 512  
set allocator first_fit  
malloc 200  
malloc 200  
free 1  
malloc 180
```

**Expected observation:**

- Allocation failure before compaction
- Success after compaction