Diploma in Computer Engineering



LEARNING ISSUE GUIDE: VIRTUAL MEMORY MANAGEMENT

Suggested Scope:

- 1. Reason for Use of Virtual Memory / What is Virtual Memory?
- 2. Demand Paging
 - Explain what demand paging is and how is it being implemented.
 - How is the performance of demand paging being measured?
- Page Fault
 - What is page fault?
 - Give detailed explanation of the things that will take place when page fault occurs
- 4. Page Replacement
 - Define page replacement
 - Explain the need for page replacement and how it works
- 5. Page Replacement Algorithms
 - FIFO / LRU / Optimal (Briefly explain each algorithm and give examples to show how it works)
 - Explain what Belady's Anomaly is and show an example of its occurrence

Suggested Practice Questions:

Refer to Review Exercise 7

Additional Practice Questions:

(You can use this as an example in your peer teaching notes)

Consider the following page-reference string:

With the aid of a clearly labeled diagram, show how many page faults would occur for the following page replacement algorithms, assuming <u>FOUR</u> page frames.

Remember that all frames are initially empty, so your first unique pages will all cost one fault each.

- a. LRU replacement
- b. FIFO replacement
- c. Optimal replacement