

# OS\_PROJECT3\_REPORT

## 1. READING CODE:

- 1 How readahead is called when page faults occur?
  - 1.1 `mmap()`在 kernel 裡面叫做 `mmap_pgoff()`，會呼叫 `do_mmap_pgoff()`
  - 1.2 `do_mmap_pg()`會 return `mmap_regin()`
  - 1.3 當 `file->f_op->mmap`,此 `mmap` 在 `ext4`格式的硬碟代表 `ext4_file_mmap`
  - 1.4 `vma->vm_ops = &ext4_file_mmap.`
  - 1.5 設置 `vm_ops.fault=filemap_fault`
  - 1.6 Call `filemap_fault()`後，用 `file_get_page` 尋找 page
  - 1.7 找到後會 call `do_async_mmap_readahead`
  - 1.8 如果是 `PageReadahead`，call `page_cache_async_readahead()`
  - 1.9 To do read-ahead，call `ondemand_readahead`
  - 1.10 較小 size、隨機讀的才 call `__do_page_cache_readahead()`  
(`__do_page_cache_readahead` 是 `readahead` 最核心的演算法)
- 2 Implementation of readahead algorithm :  
`__do_page_cache_readahead()`
  - 2.1 首先，`preallocate` 我們需要預讀的 pages  
在 `page_offset` 超過 `end_index`(我們想預讀的最後一個 page)之前  
用 `radix_tree_lookup` 找出 page，注意這要用 RCU 的 `readlock`  
接著將 page 加入 list 中
  - 2.2 開始 I/O  
call `read_pages` 讀出 ret 中的 pages

## 2. REVISE THE READAHEAD ALGORITHM

On HDD

To reduce the cost of time, we enlarge the amount of pages for readahead algorithm

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In mm.h

```
#define VM_MAX_READAHEAD    1024
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#define VM_MIN_READAHEAD    512
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為了提升精準度，我們將 a.out 的 output 輸出至 out 中。

Before revise: 39.24s

```
[ 1887.138183] page fault test program starts !  
[ 1926.378466] page fault test program ends !  
rendybig@rendybig-VirtualBox:~/Downloads/hw3$
```

After revise: 36.1s

```
rendybig@rendybig-VirtualBox:~/Downloads/hw3$ sudo time ./a.out > out  
0.01user 0.20system 0:36.10elapsed 0%CPU (0avgtext+0avgdata 106704maxresident)k  
100528inputs+160outputs (4204major+6037minor)pagefaults 0swaps  
rendybig@rendybig-VirtualBox:~/Downloads/hw3$
```

Due to the message generate in filemap\_fault(), we did not calculate time with dmesg.