

CSC 4420
Computer Science Operating Systems
Homework 4
25 points

Answer the following questions.

Question 1 (15 points): Consider the following page reference string:

1, 2, 3, 4, 2, 1, 5, 6, 2, 1, 2, 3, 7, 6, 3, 2, 1, 2, 3, 6.

How many page faults would occur for the listed replacement algorithms, assuming one, two, three, four, five, six, and seven frames? Remember all frames are initially empty, so your first unique pages will all cost one fault each.

- LRU replacement
- FIFO replacement
- Optimal replacement

Question 2 (5 points): Consider a demand-paged computer system where the degree of multiprogramming is currently fixed at four. The system was recently measured to determine utilization of CPU and the paging disk. The results are one of the following alternatives. For each case, what is happening? Can the degree of multiprogramming be increased to increase the CPU utilization?

1. CPU utilization 13 percent; disk utilization 97 percent
2. CPU utilization 87 percent; disk utilization 3 percent
3. CPU utilization 13 percent; disk utilization 3 percent

Question 3 (5 points): Consider a demand-paging system with a paging disk that has an average access and transfer time of 20 milliseconds. Addresses are translated through a page table in main memory, with an access time of 1 microsecond per memory access. Thus, each memory reference through the page table takes two accesses. To improve this time, we have added an associative memory that reduces access time to one memory reference, if the page-table entry is in the associative memory.

Assume that 80 percent of the accesses are in the associative memory and that, of the remaining, 10 percent (or 2 percent of the total) cause page faults. What is the effective memory access time?