

Virtual Memory Manager

A program that translates logical addresses to
physical addresses.

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Some important info:

TLB_SIZE = 16

PAGES = 256

PAGE_MASK = 255

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OFFSET_MASK = 255

MEMORY_SIZE = PAGES * PAGE_SIZE = 65,536

THESE SPECIFICS ARE GIVEN IN THE PROJECT HANDOUT

HOW THE PROGRAM IS SETUP

Struct **tlb_entry**:

Holds the **logical addresses** and the **physical addresses**

An array of structs type **tlb_entry** named “**tlb**” has the size of 16 which is specified by the project.

A **pagetable** array to hold the different pages

pagetable[pagenumber] holds the page number for the physical addresses. Its values are -1 if the page for logical addresses isn't yet in the table.

A **TLBsearch** Function:

- Takes a logical address page number as argument
- Searches the **tlb** array
 - Return the physical address if present in tlb
 - Return -1 if not present

A **tlbInsert** Function:

- Inserts the logical and physical addresses in the **tlb** array after they have been determined

MAIN PROGRAM

Program requires two command line arguments:

- 1) the **BACKING_STORE** binaries
- 2) The **address.txt** file

Program does not continue running if arguments are not provided.

How OFFSET is determined

The logical addresses are given in the address.txt file

BITWISE AND(&) OPERATION

```
int offset = logical_addresses & OFFSET_MASK;
```

Ex:

$$5 \& 3 = 1$$

5 -> 0101

and

3 -> 0011

1 -> 0001

How Page Numbers for Logical Addresses are determined

2 STEPS:

- 1) **BIT SHIFTING OPERATIONS:** Right shift on the **logical addresses** by the **offset bits**
- 2) **BitWise AND operation** on Step 1 and the **page_mask**

FRAME NUMBER

Using the **tlbSearch** function and a page number,
The function returns a frame number if found in the tlb.

If **page_number != -1**

We have a tlb hit. Otherwise we have a **tlb** miss and the frame number is retrieved from the **pagetable**.

Each time the **frame number == -1**:

-It's considered a **page fault**, and we increase the count of page faults.

The Physical Addresses

```
int physical_addresses = (frame_number << OFFSET_BITS) | offset;
```

2 steps:

- 1- left shift the frame number by the offset bits**
- 2- bitwise operation OR on 1 and the actual offset**

THE VALUES

```
signed char value = main_memory[frame_number * PAGE_SIZE + offset];
```

The values are located in the **main_memory** array
At index = $\text{frame_number} * \text{page_size} + \text{the offset}$