# Lab3: page tables

https://pdos.csail.mit.edu/6.828/2021/labs/pgtbl.html

# kernel memory layout:

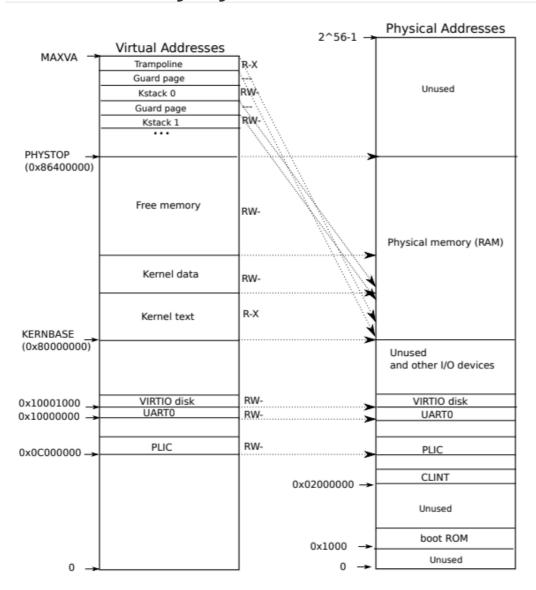


Figure 3.3: On the left, xv6's kernel address space. RWX refer to PTE read, write, and execute permissions. On the right, the RISC-V physical address space that xv6 expects to see.

# **User space process memory layout:**

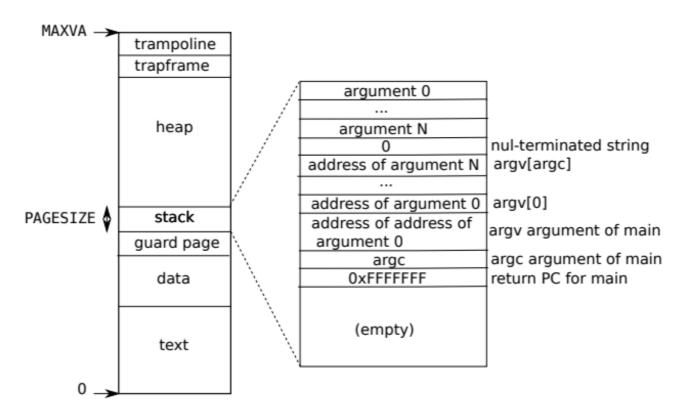


Figure 3.4: A process's user address space, with its initial stack.

## function need to use:

## uvmunmap in vm.c:

```
// Remove npages of mappings starting from va. va must be
// page-aligned. The mappings must exist.
// Optionally free the physical memory.
void
uvmunmap(pagetable_t pagetable, uint64 va, uint64 npages, int do_free)
 uint64 a;
 pte_t *pte;
 if((va % PGSIZE) != 0)
    panic("uvmunmap: not aligned");
  for(a = va; a < va + npages*PGSIZE; a += PGSIZE){</pre>
    if((pte = walk(pagetable, a, 0)) == 0)
      panic("uvmunmap: walk");
    if((*pte & PTE V) == 0)
      panic("uvmunmap: not mapped");
    if(PTE_FLAGS(*pte) == PTE_V)
      panic("uvmunmap: not a leaf");
    if(do free){
      uint64 pa = PTE2PA(*pte);
      kfree((void*)pa);
```

```
}
*pte = 0;
}
}
```

#### mappages

```
// Create PTEs for virtual addresses starting at va that refer to
// physical addresses starting at pa. va and size might not
// be page-aligned. Returns 0 on success, -1 if walk() couldn't
// allocate a needed page-table page.
int
mappages(pagetable_t pagetable, uint64 va, uint64 size, uint64 pa, int perm)
 uint64 a, last;
 pte_t *pte;
 if(size == 0)
   panic("mappages: size");
 a = PGROUNDDOWN(va);
 last = PGROUNDDOWN(va + size - 1);
 for(;;){
   if((pte = walk(pagetable, a, 1)) == 0)
      return -1;
   if(*pte & PTE V)
     panic("mappages: remap");
   *pte = PA2PTE(pa) | perm | PTE_V;
   if(a == last)
     break;
   a += PGSIZE;
   pa += PGSIZE;
 }
 return 0;
}
```

note that va must not already map to another phy addr.

#### walk

```
// Return the address of the PTE in page table pagetable
// that corresponds to virtual address va. If alloc!=0,
// create any required page-table pages.
//
// The risc-v Sv39 scheme has three levels of page-table
// pages. A page-table page contains 512 64-bit PTEs.
```

```
// A 64-bit virtual address is split into five fields:
// 39..63 -- must be zero.
// 30..38 -- 9 bits of level-2 index.
   21..29 -- 9 bits of level-1 index.
// 12..20 -- 9 bits of level-0 index.
     0..11 -- 12 bits of byte offset within the page.
pte_t *
walk(pagetable_t pagetable, uint64 va, int alloc)
 if(va >= MAXVA)
   panic("walk");
  for(int level = 2; level > 0; level--) {
   pte t *pte = &pagetable[PX(level, va)];
   if(*pte & PTE V) {
     pagetable = (pagetable_t)PTE2PA(*pte);
   } else {
     if(!alloc | (pagetable = (pde t*)kalloc()) == 0)
       return 0;
     memset(pagetable, 0, PGSIZE);
     *pte = PA2PTE(pagetable) | PTE_V;
 }
 return &pagetable[PX(0, va)];
```

# Speed up system calls (<a href="easy">easy</a>)

When each process is created, map one read-only page at USYSCALL (a VA defined in memlayout.h). At the start of this page, store a struct usyscall (also defined in memlayout.h), and initialize it to store the PID of the current process.

in proc pagetable.c, add codes to allocate some physical page and map va usyscall to this.

```
// Create a user page table for a given process,
// with no user memory, but with trampoline pages.
pagetable_t
proc_pagetable(struct proc *p)
{
   pagetable_t pagetable;

   // An empty page table.
   pagetable = uvmcreate();
   if (pagetable == 0)
      return 0;

// map the trampoline code (for system call return)
// at the highest user virtual address.
// only the supervisor uses it, on the way
```

```
// to/from user space, so not PTE U.
 if (mappages(pagetable, TRAMPOLINE, PGSIZE,
               (uint64)trampoline, PTE R | PTE X) < 0)</pre>
  {
   uvmfree(pagetable, 0);
   return 0;
 }
 // map the trapframe just below TRAMPOLINE, for trampoline.S.
 if (mappages(pagetable, TRAPFRAME, PGSIZE,
               (uint64)(p->trapframe), PTE_R | PTE_W) < 0)</pre>
 {
    uvmunmap(pagetable, TRAMPOLINE, 1, 0);
    uvmfree(pagetable, 0);
   return 0;
 }
 struct usyscall *usyscall_p;
 if ((usyscall_p = (struct usyscall *)kalloc()) == 0)
    panic("kalloc failed");
 }
 usyscall_p->pid = p->pid;
 if (mappages(pagetable, USYSCALL, PGSIZE,
               (uint64)usyscall_p, PTE_R | PTE_U) < 0)</pre>
    uvmunmap(pagetable, TRAMPOLINE, 1, 0);
    uvmunmap(pagetable, TRAPFRAME, 1, 0);
    uvmfree(pagetable, 0);
    return 0;
 return pagetable;
}
```

Also in function proc\_freepagetable.c that is called in function freeproc, remove the mapping from VA USYSCALL.

```
// Free a process's page table, and free the
// physical memory it refers to.
void proc_freepagetable(pagetable_t pagetable, uint64 sz)
{
   uvmunmap(pagetable, TRAMPOLINE, 1, 0);
   uvmunmap(pagetable, TRAPFRAME, 1, 0);
   uvmunmap(pagetable, USYSCALL, 1, 0);
   uvmfree(pagetable, sz);
}
```

## result:

```
hart 2 starting
hart 1 starting
init: starting sh
$ pgtbltest
ugetpid_test starting
ugetpid_test: OK
pgaccess_test starting
pgtbltest: pgaccess_test failed: incorrect access bits set, pid=3
```

# Print a page table (<a href="easy">easy</a>)

add a function in vm.c to use DFS to iterate all valid PTEs and print them:

```
void dfs print(pte t pte, int level, int index){
 if (level > 2){
   return;
 char *format;
 if (level == 0){
   format = "..%d: pte %p pa %p\n";
 } else if(level == 1){
   format = ".. ..%d: pte %p pa %p\n";
   format = ".....%d: pte %p pa %p\n";
 printf(format, index, pte, PTE2PA(pte));
 pagetable_t pagetable = (pagetable_t)PTE2PA(pte);
 for(int i = 0; i < 512; i ++){
   pte_t pte = pagetable[i];
   if (!(pte & PTE_V)){
     continue;
   dfs_print(pte, level + 1, i);
 }
}
void vmprint(pagetable t pagetable)
 printf("page table %p\n", pagetable);
 for (int i = 0; i < 512; i ++){
   pte_t pte = pagetable[i];
   if (!(pte & PTE_V)) {
     continue;
   dfs_print(pte, 0, i);
  }
```

```
return;
}
```

also add the definition of the function in defs.h:

```
// print page table
void vmprint(pagetable_t pagetable);
```

and the instruction to print pagetable in exec.c L#118

```
if (p->pid == 1)
{
    vmprint(p->pagetable);
}
```

## **Result:**

```
== Test pgtbltest ==
$ make qemu-gdb
(4.6s)
        pgtbltest: ugetpid ==
== Test
 pgtbltest: ugetpid: OK
== Test pgtbltest: pgaccess ==
 pgtbltest: pgaccess: FAIL
        ugetpid_test starting
        ugetpid_test: OK
        pgaccess_test starting
         pgtbltest: pgaccess test failed: incorrect access bits set, pid=3
         $ qemu-system-riscv64: terminating on signal 15 from pid 698141 (make)
   MISSING '^pgaccess_test: OK$'
== Test pte printout ==
$ make qemu-gdb
pte printout: OK (0.7s)
== Test answers-pgtbl.txt == answers-pgtbl.txt: FAIL
   Cannot read answers-pgtbl.txt
== Test usertests ==
$ make qemu-gdb
```

# Detecting which pages have been accessed (<a href="https://hard">hard</a>)

From websearching, the access bit the sixth least significant bit in PTE of RISC-V architecture.

```
Define PTE_A in risc.h
```

```
#define PTE_A (1L << 6) // for lab3</pre>
```

Implement the pgaccess syscall in sysproc.c:

Basically it use walk to retrieve the PTE according to va, and check its access bit.

```
int
sys_pgaccess(void)
 // lab pgtbl: your code here.
 // parse argument
 uint64 buf;
 if (argaddr(0, &buf) < 0) {</pre>
   return -1;
 }
 int size;
 if (argint(1, &size) < 0) {</pre>
   return -1;
 uint64 dstva;
 if (argaddr(2, &dstva) < 0) {</pre>
   return -1;
 }
 if (size > 32) {
   printf("pgaccess cannot handle size > 32\n");
 // kernel buffer for storing access bits
 unsigned int abits = 0;
 struct proc *p = myproc();
 uint64 base = PGROUNDDOWN(buf);
 for (int i = 0; i < size; i ++){
   uint64 va = base + PGSIZE * i;
   pte_t *pte = walk(p->pagetable, va, 0);
   if (*pte & PTE_A){
     abits |= (1L << i);
     *pte -= PTE_A;
    }
 if (copyout(p->pagetable, dstva, (char *)&abits, 4) < 0) {</pre>
   return -1;
 }
 return 0;
}
```

# Result

```
xv6 kernel is booting
hart 2 starting
hart 1 starting
page table 0x000000087f6e000
..0: pte 0x0000000021fda401 pa 0x0000000087f69000
.. ..0: pte 0x0000000021fda001 pa 0x0000000087f68000
.. .. ..0: pte 0x0000000021fda81f pa 0x000000087f6a000
.. ..1: pte 0x0000000021fd9c0f pa 0x000000087f67000
.. .. ..2: pte 0x0000000021fd981f pa 0x0000000087f66000
..255: pte 0x0000000021fdb401 pa 0x0000000087f6d000
....511: pte 0x0000000021fdb001 pa 0x000000087f6c000
.....509: pte 0x0000000021fdac13 pa 0x0000000087f6b000
.....510: pte 0x0000000021fddc07 pa 0x000000087f77000
.. .. ..511: pte 0x000000020001c0b pa 0x0000000080007000
init: starting sh
$ pgtbltest
ugetpid_test starting
ugetpid_test: OK
pgaccess_test starting
pgaccess_test: OK
pgtbltest: all tests succeeded
```