

Operating system

Part VIII: Memory (Advanced)

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Goals

- Know the related concepts
 - Virtual Memory, Logical address, Physical address, Address translation
- Virtual memory
 - **(on-demand) Paging** scheme
 - **(on-demand) Segmentation**
 - Segmentation + Paging ☾ **Hybrid**

Now

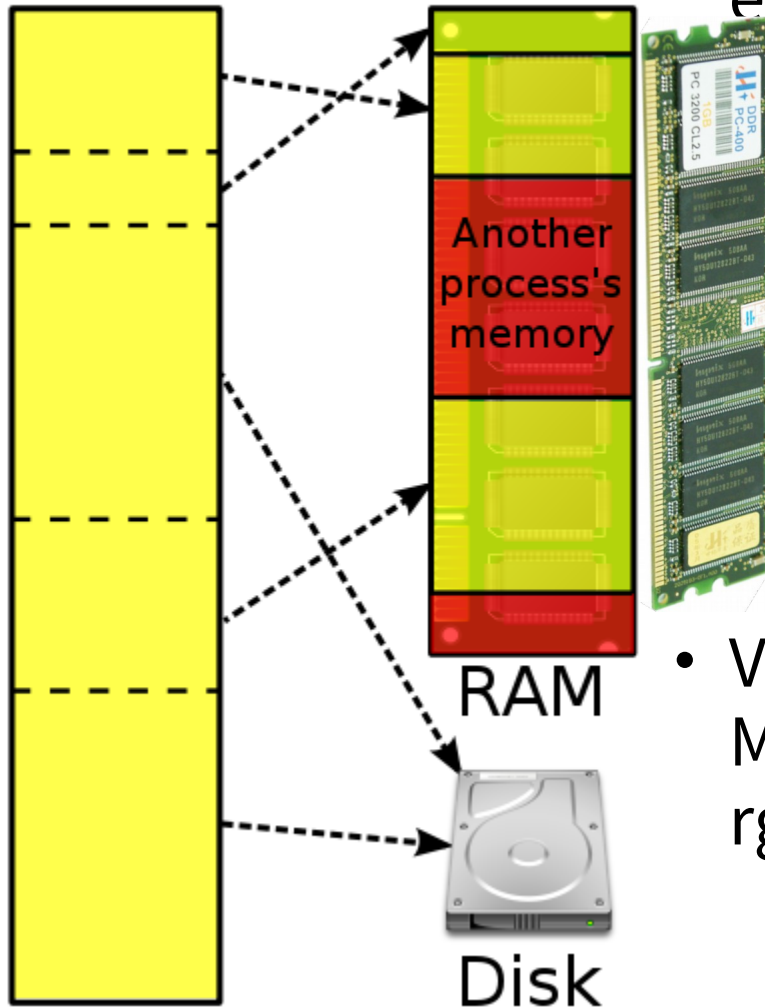
- It's time to learn the real techniques used by current OSs to provide **VIRTUAL MEMORY**
- We have known the fact
 - The instructions and data of a program should be stored in Main Memory first before its execution
 - With the experience on Windows®, we can infer that a program whose size is larger than the MM can still run
- © it seems that there is a **“virtual”** memory!

<http://searchstorage.techtarget.com/definition/virtual-memory>

Virtual memory
(per process)

Physical
memory

- Virtual memory is a feature of an operating system that



- enables a process to use a memory (RAM) address space that is independent of other processes running in the same system,

- and use a space that is **larger than the actual amount of RAM** present, temporarily relegating some contents from RAM to a disk, with little or no overhead.

- Virtual memory combines active RAM and inactive memory to form a large range of contiguous addresses.

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Paging (分页)

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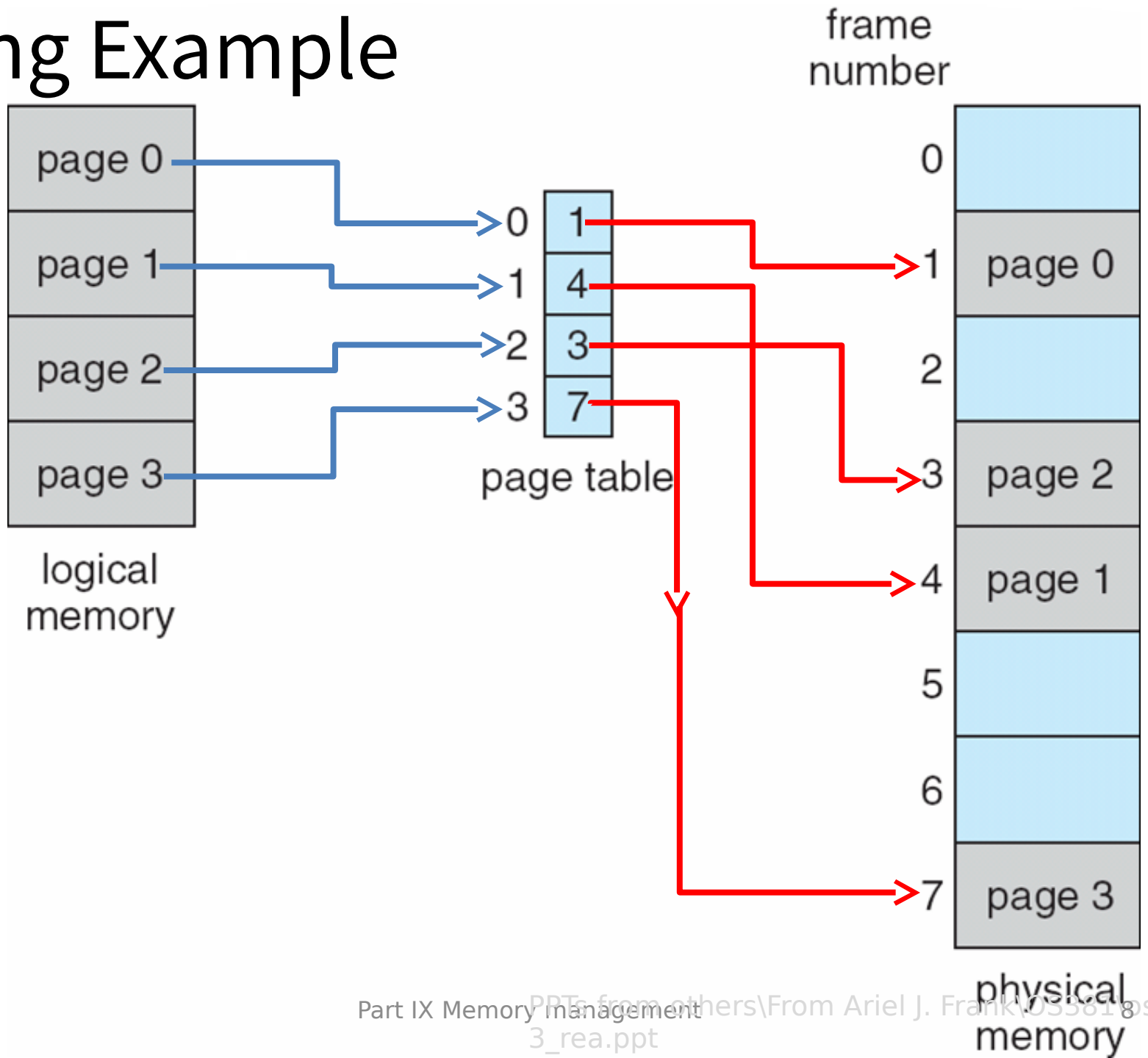
- The fundament of paging is **Fixed Partitioning** but with smaller size!
 - It “partition/cut” the logical space of a process into **pages**
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 - It “partition/cut” the physical space of MM into **frames**
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 - Be default, the sizes of page and frame are same
 - In 32 bit Windows, 4KB
- It seems that the mapping from the process space to MM is easy now
 - If there is available frame, we can assign a page to that frame
 - Since a page corresponds to a set of instructions, that process could run when executing those instructions
- Yes, that is in fact the basic functions of paging scheme!

Needed data structures

- To carry out the paging scheme
 - Besides the pages of a process, OS should know the mapping relationship between pages of that process and frames of the MM
- That is Page table [页表]

Page	Frame

Paging Example

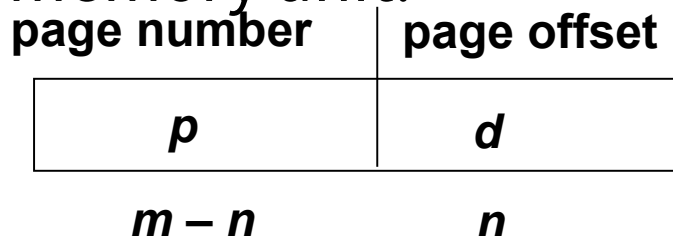


Virtual Memory: Large as you wish!

- Example:
 - Just 16 bits are needed to address a physical memory of 64KB.
 - Let's use a page size of 1KB so that 10 bits are needed for offsets within a page.
 - For the page number part of a logical address we may use a number of bits larger than 6, say 22 (a modest value!!), “**pretending**” a 32-bit address.
 - Now we have 2^{22} (=4M) pages, each of which is 1KB, so the VM of a process seems 4GB ($\approx 2^{22} * 2^{10} = 2^{32} = 4\text{GB}$)
 - This explains why the max size of files in Win32 is 4GB

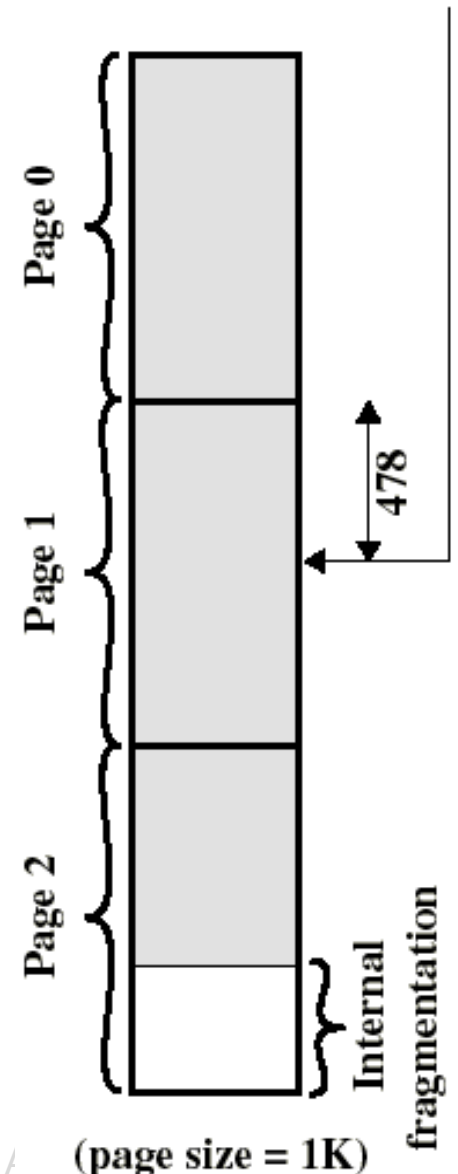
Logical address now

- Logical address now is divided into two parts:
 - Page number* (p) – used as an index into a *page table* which contains the base address of each page in physical memory.
 - Page offset/displacement* (d) – combined with base address to define the physical memory address that is sent to the memory unit.



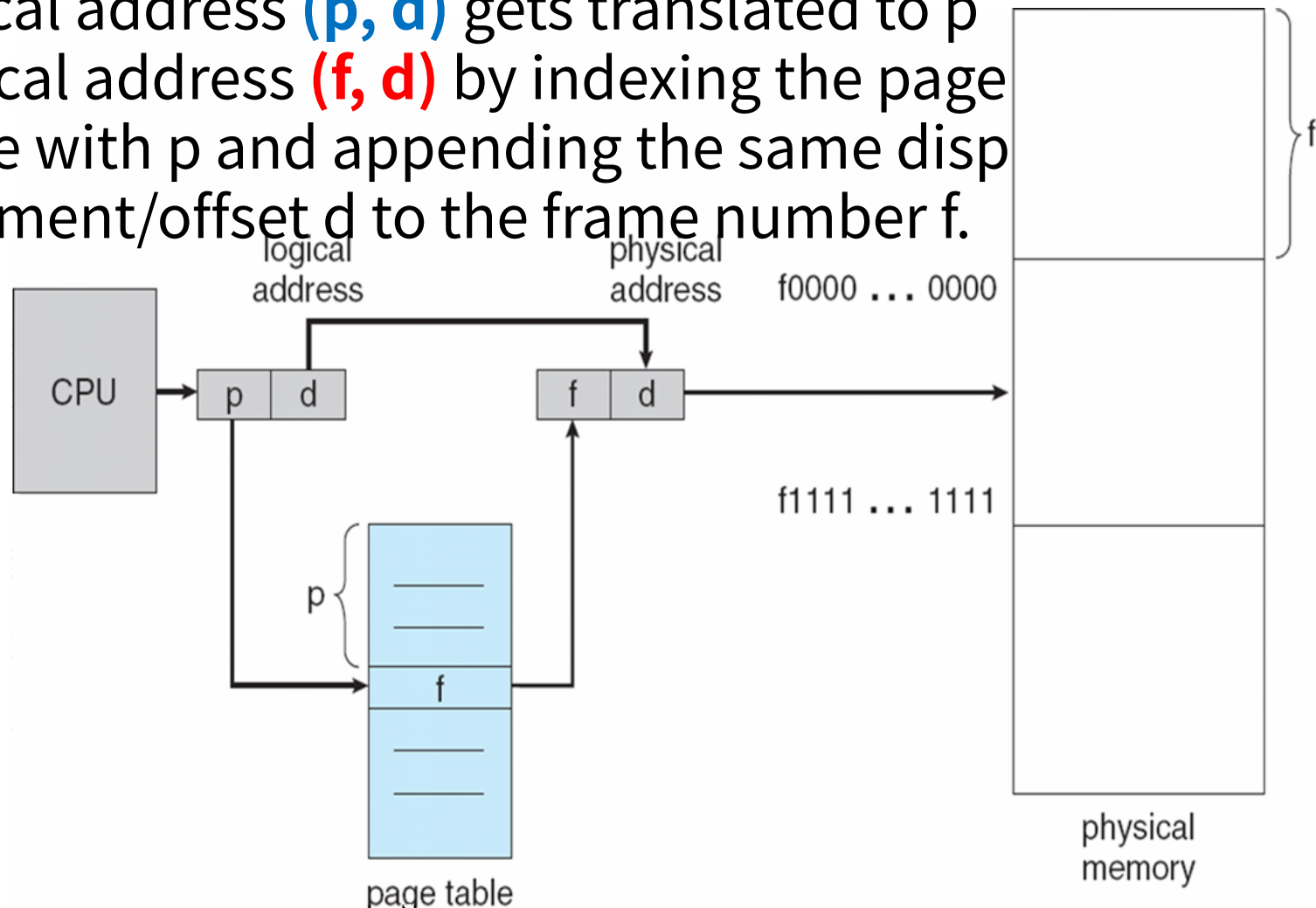
Logical address =
Page# = 1, Offset = 478

0000010111011110



Address Translation now

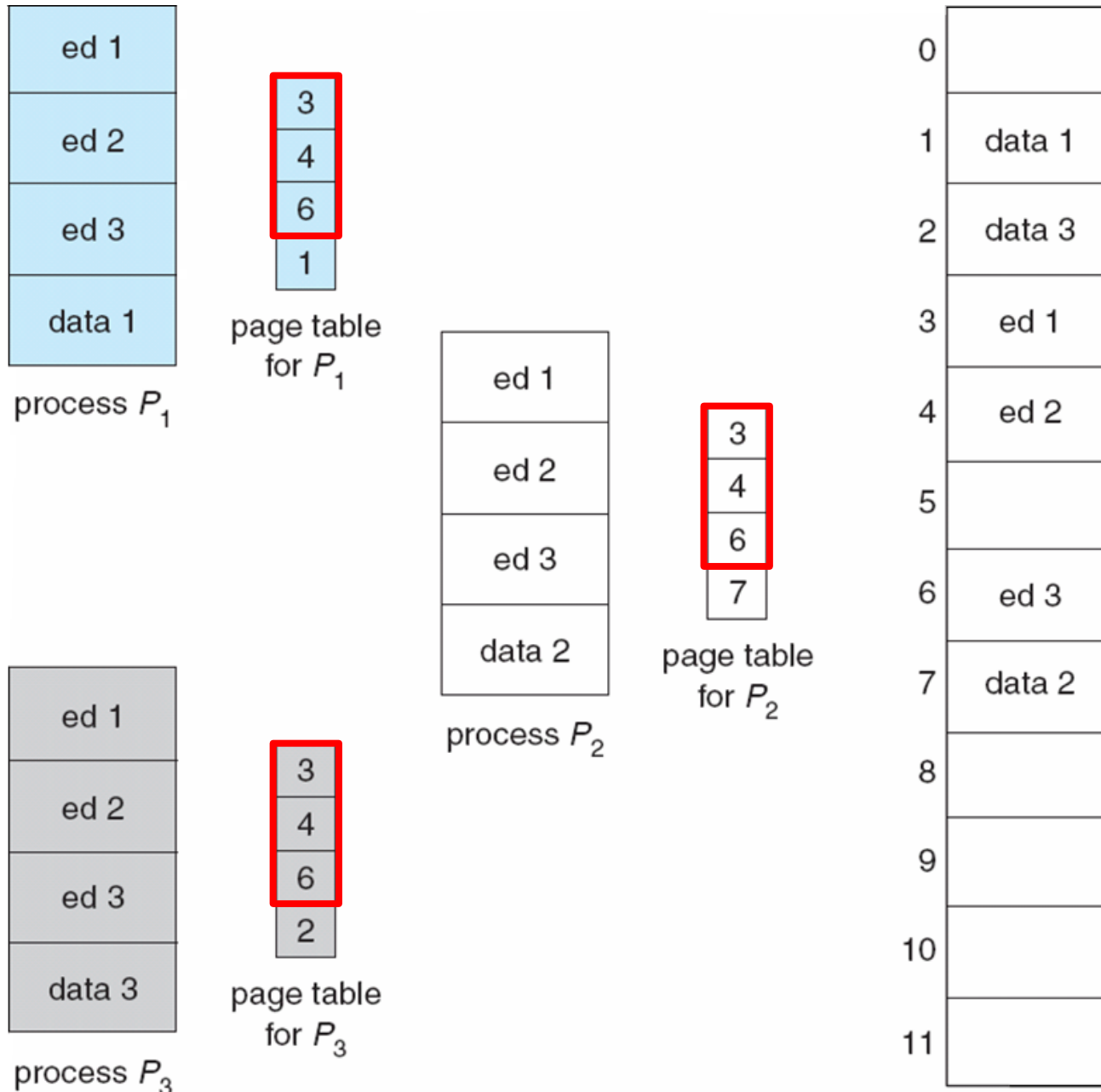
- Address translation at run-time is then easy to implement in hardware:
 - logical address (**p, d**) gets translated to physical address (**f, d**) by indexing the page table with p and appending the same displacement/offset d to the frame number f.



Sharing


- What can be shared
 - Reentrant code (pure code)
 - If the code is reentrant, then it never changes during execution. @Two or more processes can execute the same code at the same time.
 - Read-only data
- What can not be shared
 - Each process has its own copy of registers and data storage to hold the data for the process's execution.
- The OS should provides facility to enforce some n
ecessary property for sharing.

Shared Pages Example



Paging : The OS Concern

- What should the OS do?
 - Which frames are allocated?
 - Which frames are free?
 - How to allocate frames for an arrived process?
- Placement algorithm (放置算法)
- Replacement algorithms (替换算法)



Similar as those discussed in Variable partition part!

PPTs from others\OS PPT in English\ch09.ppt

A computer's main memory is byte addressing, logical addresses and physical addresses are 32-bit, page table entry size is 4 bytes. Please answer the following questions. If use a paging management, and the logical address structure is :

Page Number (20 bits) offset (12 bits)

1. The size of the page is how many number of bytes?
2. And calculate the maximum number of bytes occupied by the page table? [2 pts]

In a paging memory management system, there is a page table as following:

Page No	0	1	2	3	4
Frame	2	1	6	3	7



If the page size is 4KB, then paging address hardware will convert logical address 0 into physical address () .

A.8192 B.4096 C.2048 D.1024

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Of course, we need some support for Virtual Memory

- Memory management hardware must support paging and/or segmentation [ Discussed in former part].
- OS must be able to manage [ **Concern of this part**]
 - the movement of pages and/or segments between external memory and main memory,
 - including placement and replacement of pages/segments.

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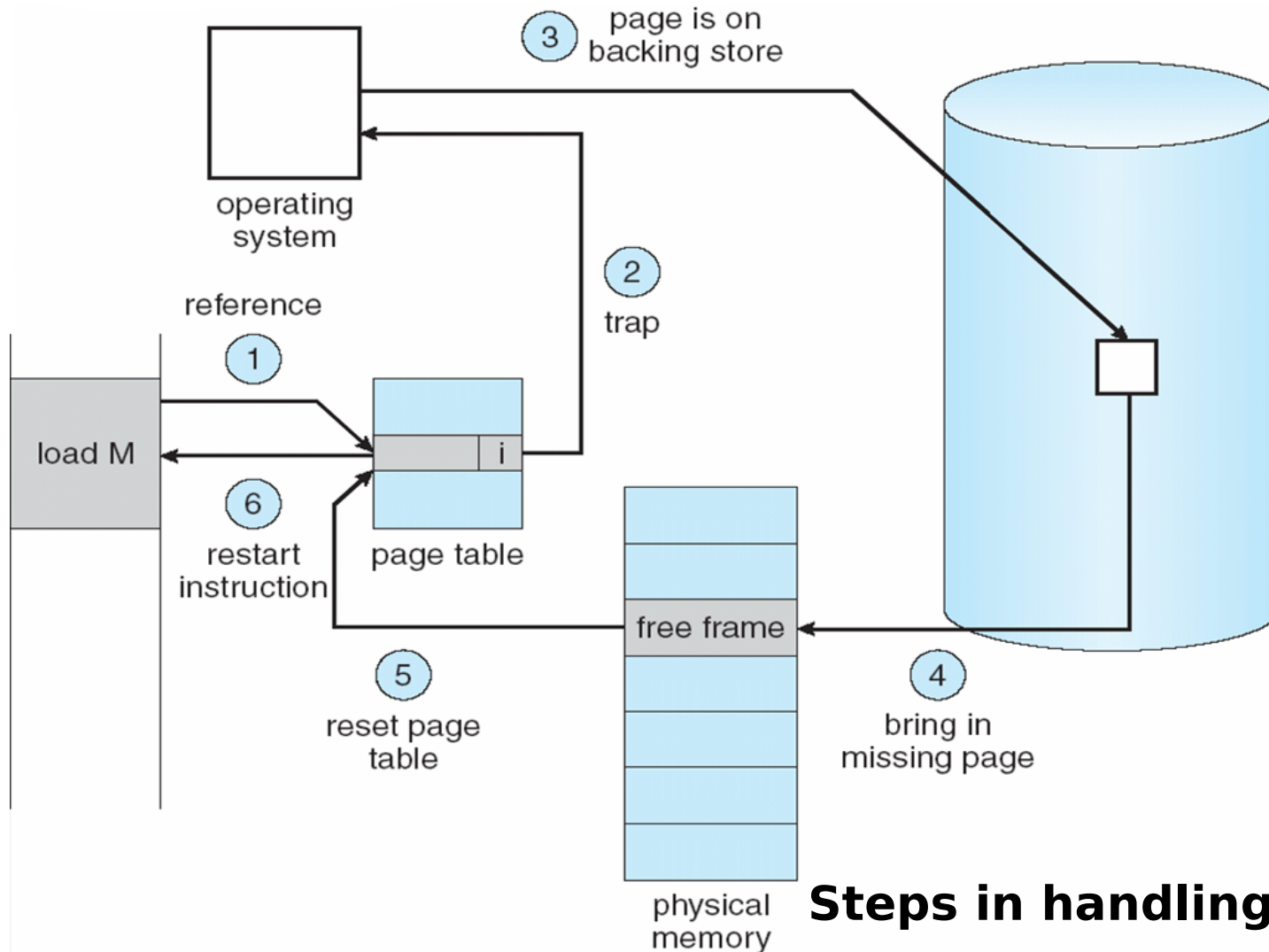
Now, the execution of a process looks like ...

1. The OS brings into main memory only a few pieces of the program (including its starting point).
2. An interrupt (memory fault) is generated when the memory reference is on a piece that is not present in main memory – **is needed**.
 - a. OS places the process in a Ready state.
 - b. OS issues a disk I/O Read request to retrieve the piece referenced.
 - c. Another process is dispatched and execution takes place.
3. An interrupt is issued when disk I/O completes; this causes the OS to place the affected process back in the Ready state.



Called
Demand
Paging!

If one page is not in MM yet (**Page Fault**)



Steps in handling a Page Fault

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1. If there is ever a reference to a page not in memory, first reference will cause **page fault**.
2. Page fault is handled by the appropriate OS service routines.
3. Locate needed page on disk (in file or in backing store).
4. Swap page into free frame (assume available).
5. Reset page tables – valid-invalid bit = 1.
6. Restart instruction.

What happens if there is no free frame?

- Page replacement – find some page in memory, but not really in use, **swap** it out.
- Need **page replacement algorithm**.
- Performance – want an algorithm which will result in minimum number of page faults.
- Same page may be brought into memory several times.

Effective Access Time (EAT)

- $EAT = (1 - p) \times \text{memory access}$
+ p (page fault overhead
+ swap page out
+ swap page in
+ restart overhead)
- “p” means Page Fault Rate
 - $0 \leq p \leq 1.0$
 - if $p = 0$, no page faults
 - if $p = 1$, every reference is a fault

- Demand Paging Example

- Memory access time = **200 nanoseconds [纳秒]**

- Average page-fault service time = 8 milliseconds [毫秒]

- $EAT = (1 - p) \times 200 + p (8 \text{ milliseconds})$
 $= (1 - p) \times 200 + p \times 8,000,000$
 $= 200 + p \times 7,999,800$

- If one access out of 1,000 causes a page fault, then
 $EAT = 200 + 0.001 \times 7,999,800$
 $= 8199.8 \text{ nanoseconds}$
 $= \mathbf{8.2 \text{ microseconds [微秒]}}$.

1 millisec = 1,000 microsec = 1,000,000 nanosec

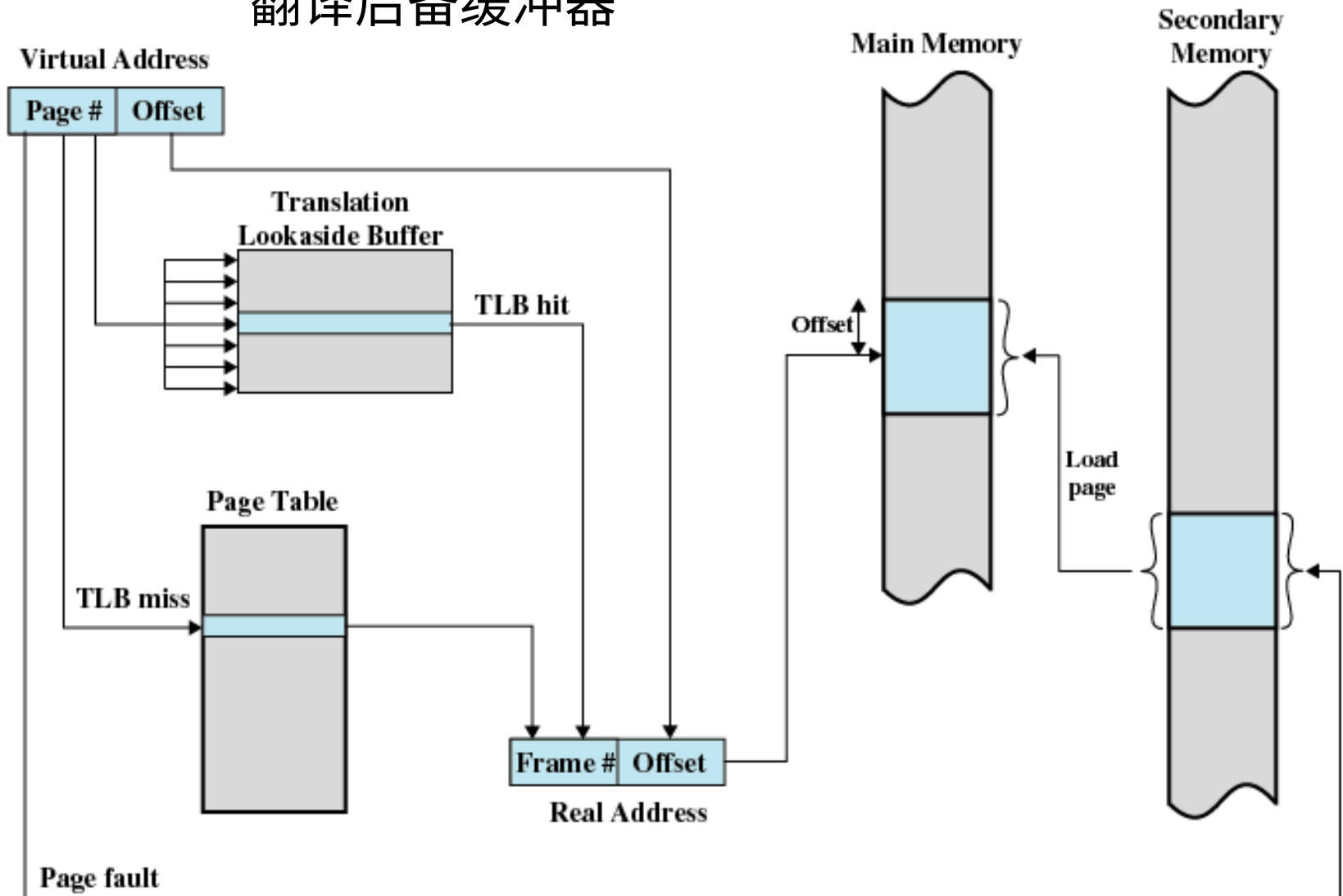
How to improve this kind of slowdown?

- The solution could be derived from the EAT equation - Improve the **access speed**, and decrease the **page fault**
- Two strategies
 - Keeping page table in a higher access speed media
 - Cache (high speed but quite expensive), and the **TLB** (**translation lookaside buffer**)
 - Prefetching the possible pages
 - When page 3 caused a page fault, load page 2,4,and 5 into MM

Of course, a decision is needed – namely the algorithm

a Translation Look-aside Buffer (TLB)

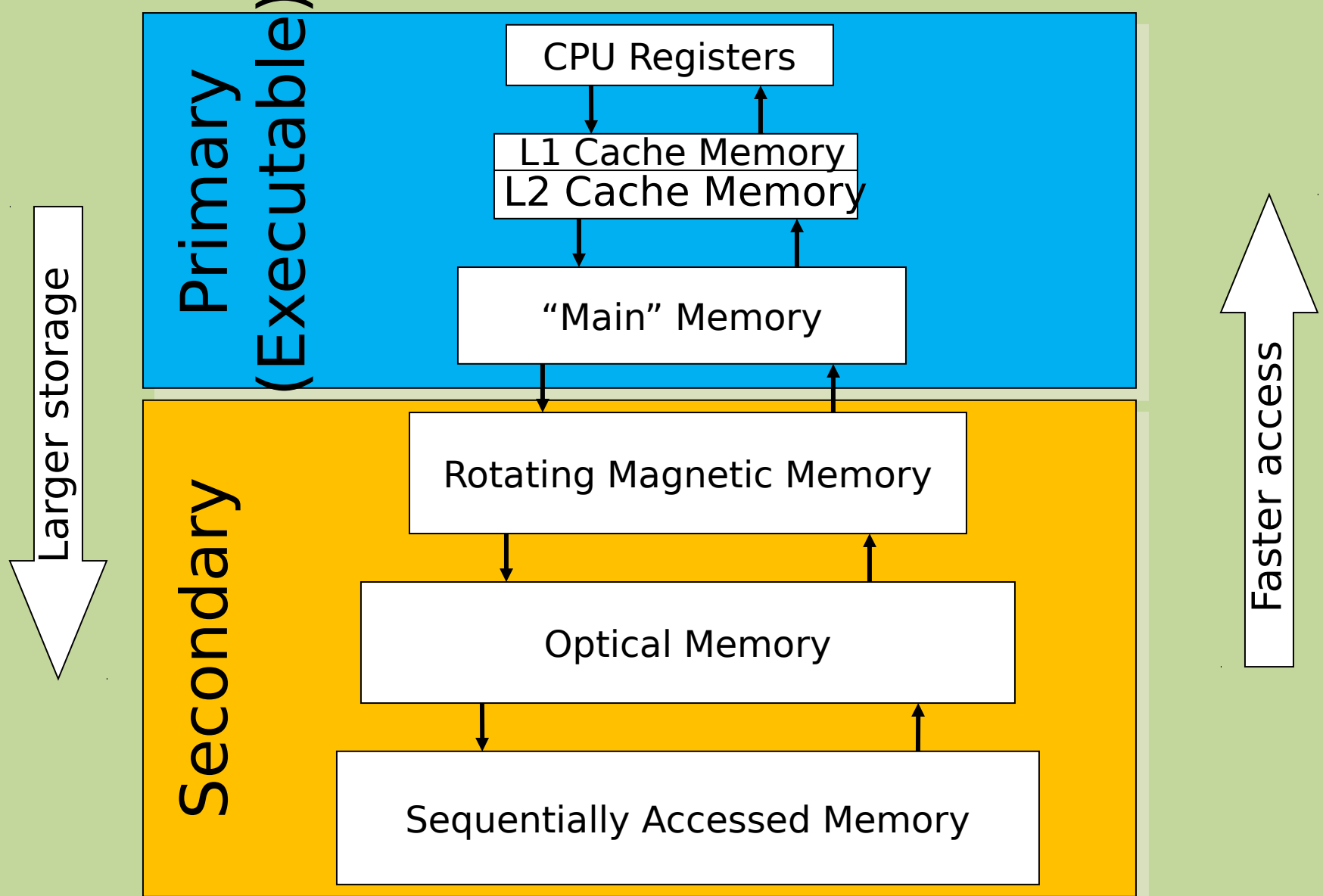
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Now the EAT with TLB

- Parameters
 - TLB Lookup = 20 nanoseconds
 - Hit ratio (percentage of times that a particular page is found in the TLB) = 80%
 - Memory access time = **200 nanoseconds**
 - Average page-fault service time = 8 milliseconds
 - If one access for Page table out of 1,000 causes a page fault
- $$\begin{aligned} \text{EAT} &= (20) * 0.8 + [200 + (8000000 - 200) * 0.001] * 0.2 \\ &= 16 + 8199.8 * 0.2 \\ &= 1655.96 \approx 1.6 \text{ **microseconds**} \end{aligned}$$

Contemporary Memory Hierarchy & Dynamic Loading



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Example

- A process makes references to 4 pages:
A, B, E, and R
 - Reference stream: BEERBAREBEAR
- Physical memory size: 3 pages



The FIFO Policy

- Treats page frames allocated to a process as a circular buffer:
 - When the buffer is full, the oldest page is replaced. Hence first-in, first-out:
 - A frequently used page is often the oldest, so it will be repeatedly paged out by FIFO.
 - Simple to implement:
 - requires only a pointer that circles through the page frames of the process.

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FIFO

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B											
2												
3												

FIFO



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B											
2		E										
3												

FIFO



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B											
2		E	*									
3												

FIFO

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2		E	*									
3				R								

FIFO

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*							
2		E	*									
3				R								

FIFO

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
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2		E	*									
3				R								

FIFO

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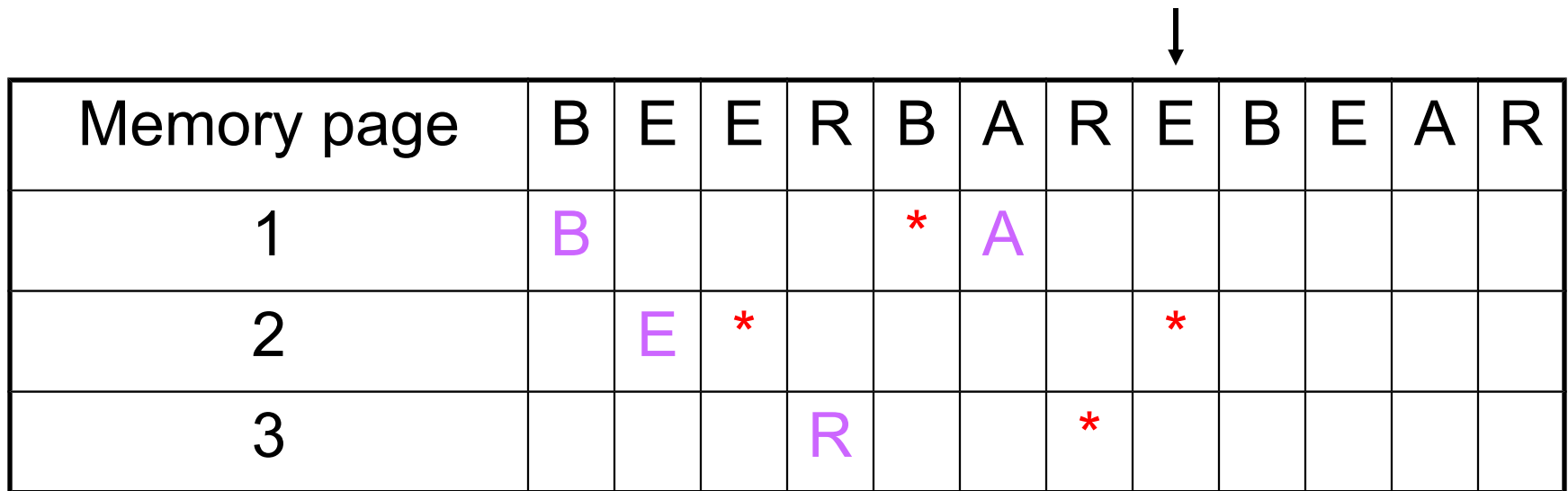
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1	B				*	A						
2		E	*									
3				R								

FIFO

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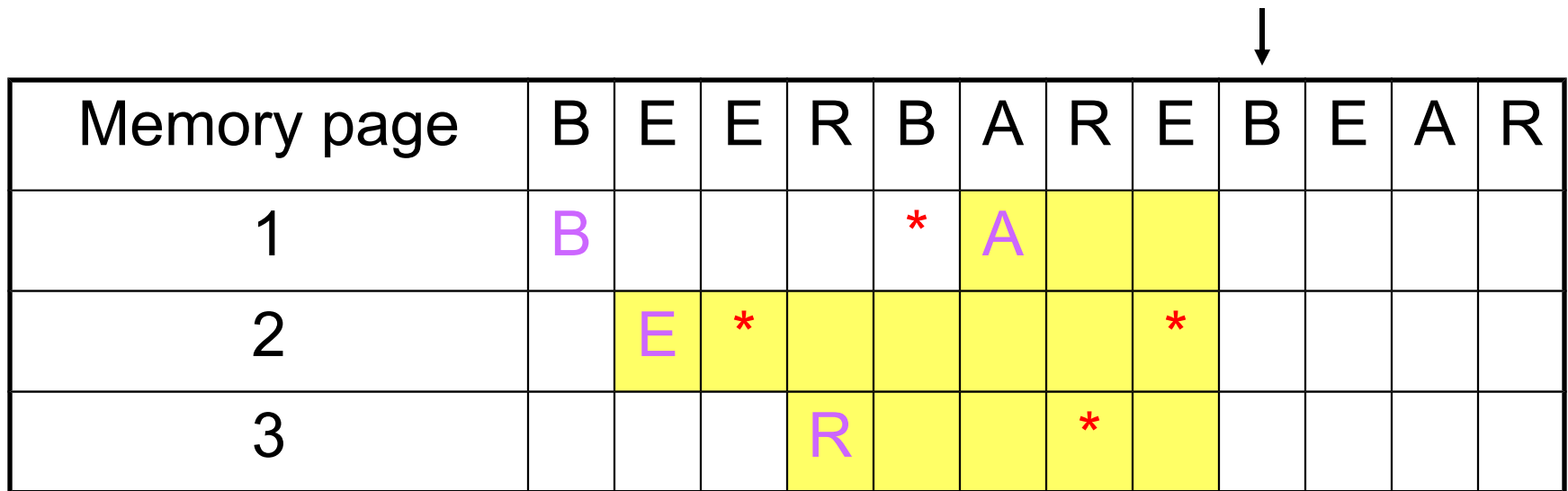
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2		E	*									
3				R			*					

FIFO



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*					*				
3				R			*					

FIFO



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*					*				
3				R			*					

FIFO

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*					*	B			
3				R			*					

FIFO

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*					*	B			
3				R			*					

FIFO

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*					*	B			
3				R			*			E		

FIFO

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A					*	
2		E	*					*	B			
3				R			*			E		

FIFO

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A					*	
2		E	*					*	B			
3				R			*			E		

FIFO

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A					*	R
2		E	*					*	B			
3				R			*			E		

FIFO

- 7 page faults

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A					*	R
2		E	*					*	B			
3				R			*			E		

compulsory
D.J.[kəm'pʌlsəri]
adj. 必须做的, 强制性

FIFO

- 4 compulsory cache misses

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	<i>B</i>				*	<i>A</i>					*	<i>R</i>
2		<i>E</i>	*					*	<i>B</i>			
3				<i>R</i>			*			<i>E</i>		

Optimal Page Replacement

- The Optimal policy selects for replacement the page that will not be used for longest period of time.
- **Impossible to implement** (need to know the future) but serves as a standard to compare with the other algorithms we shall study.

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Optimal (MIN)

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B											
2		E	*									
3				R								

Optimal (MIN)

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*							
2		E	*									
3				R								

Optimal (MIN)

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*							
2		E	*									
3				R								

MIN

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*									
3				R								

MIN

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*									
3				R			*					

MIN

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*					*				
3				R			*					

MIN

↓

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*					*				
3				R			*					

MIN

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*					*				
3				R			*		B			

MIN

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A						
2		E	*					*		*		
3				R			*		B			

MIN

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A					*	
2		E	*					*		*		
3				R			*		B			

MIN

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A					*	R
2		E	*					*		*		
3				R			*		B			

MIN

- 6 page faults

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*	A					*	R
2		E	*					*		*		
3				R			*		B			

The LRU Policy

[least recently used: 最近最少使用算法]

- Replaces the page that has not been referenced for the longest time recently:
 - By the principle of locality, this should be the page least likely to be referenced in the near future.
 - performs nearly as well as the optimal policy.

LRU

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B											
2		E	*									
3				R								

LRU

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*							
2		E	*									
3				R								

LRU

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*							
2		E	*									
3				R								

LRU

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*							
2		E	*			A						
3				R								

LRU

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*							
2		E	*			A						
3				R			*					

LRU

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*							
2		E	*			A						
3				R			*					

LRU

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*			E				
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3				R			*					

LRU

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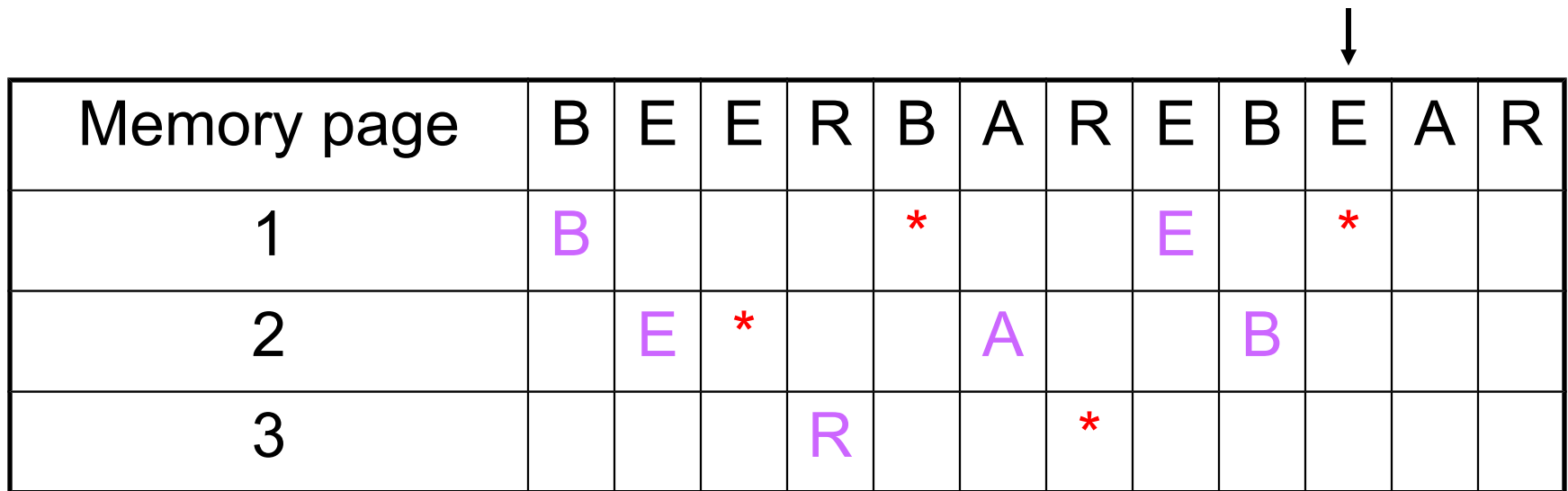
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3				R			*					

LRU

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Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*			E				
2		E	*			A			B			
3				R			*					

LRU



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*			E		*		
2		E	*			A			B			
3				R			*					

LRU

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*			E		*		
2		E	*			A			B			
3				R			*					

LRU

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*			E		*		
2		E	*			A			B			
3				R			*				A	

LRU

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*			E		*		
2		E	*			A			B			
3				R			*				A	

LRU

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*			E		*		
2		E	*			A			B			R
3				R			*				A	

LRU

- 8 page faults

Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B				*			E		*		
2		E	*			A			B			R
3				R			*				A	

The Clock (Second Chance) Policy

- Replaces an old page, but not the oldest page
- Arranges physical pages in a circle
 - With a clock hand
- Each page has a *used bit*
 - Set to 1 on reference
 - On page fault, sweep the clock hand
 - If the used bit == 1, set it to 0 and **advance the hand**
 - If the used bit == 0, pick the page for replacement

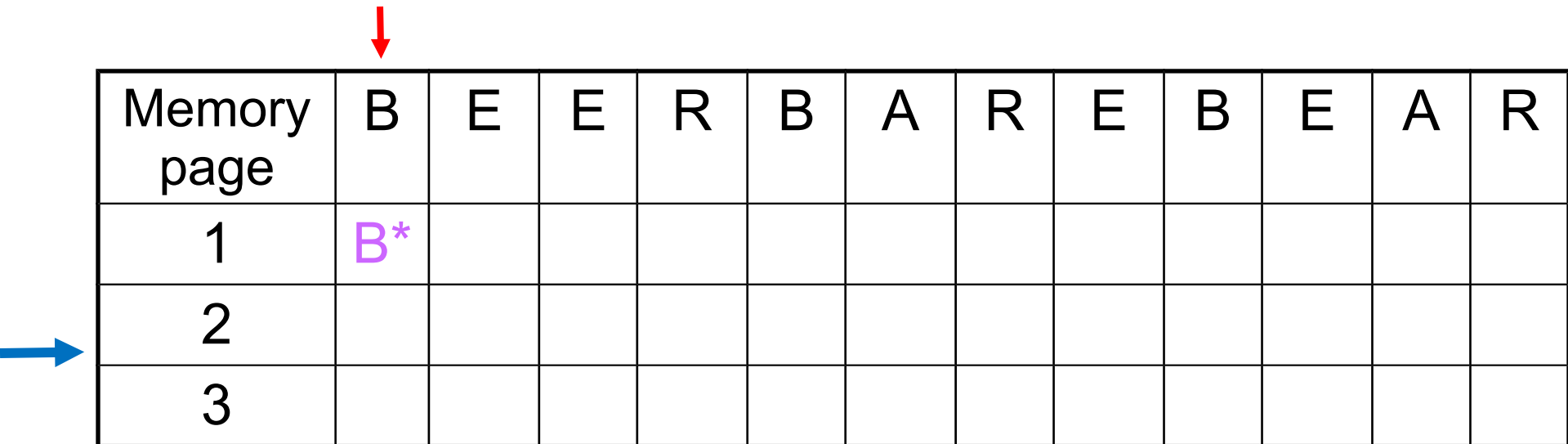
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The Clock (Second Chance) Policy

- The set of frames candidate for replacement is considered as a circular buffer.
- When a page is replaced, a pointer is set to point to the next frame in buffer.
- A reference bit for each frame is set to 1 whenever:
 - a page is first loaded into the frame.
 - the corresponding page is referenced.
- When it is time to replace a page, the first frame encountered with the reference bit set to 0 is replaced:
 - During the search for replacement, each reference bit set to 1 is changed to 0.

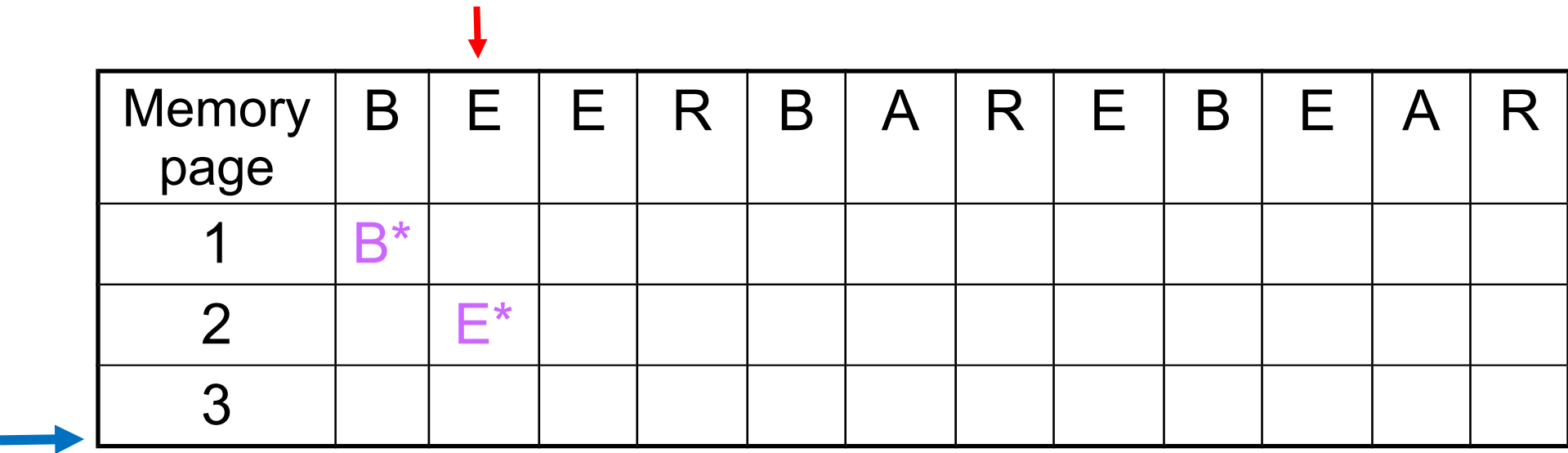
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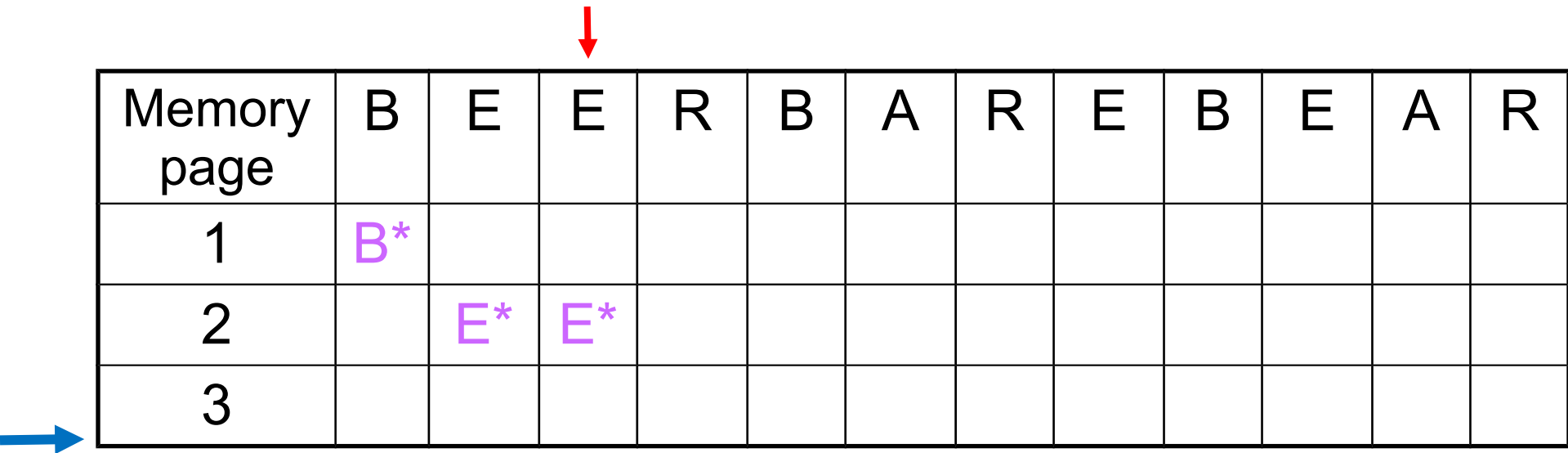
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2												
3												

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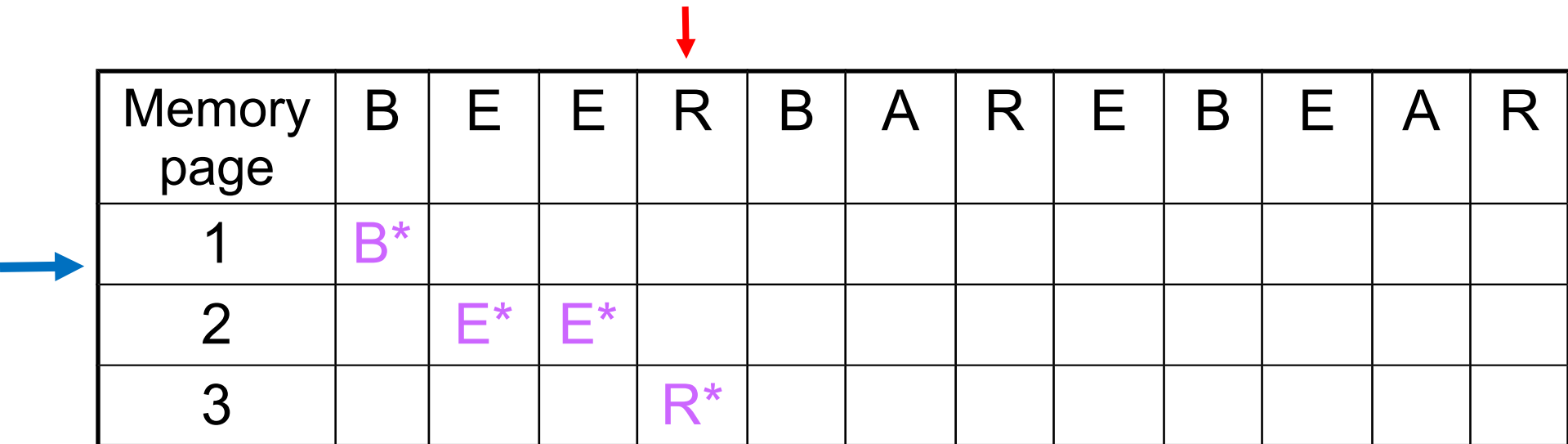
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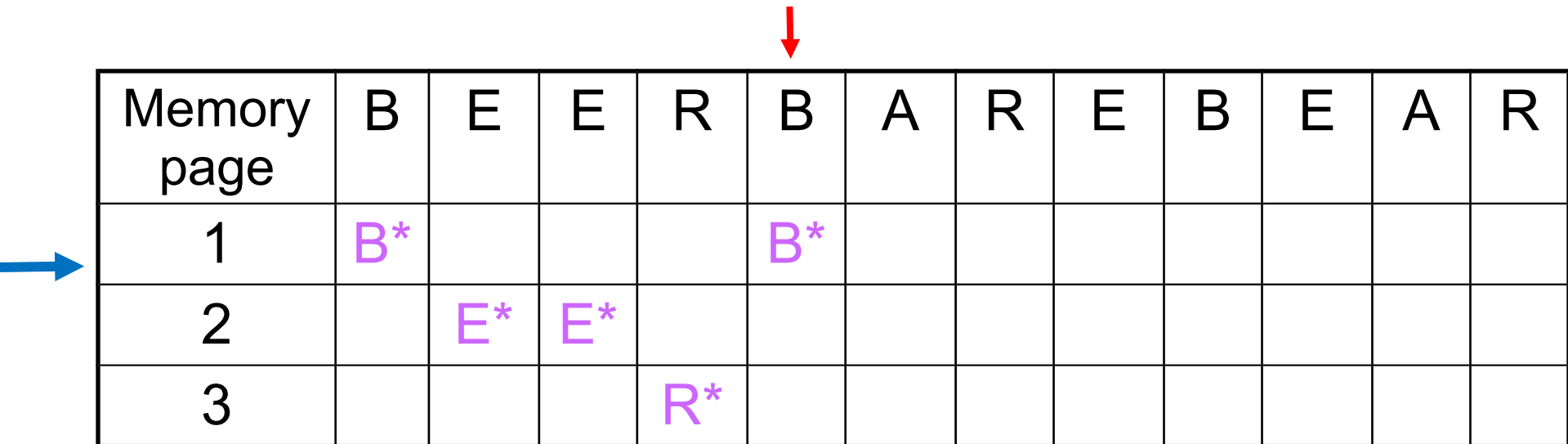
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1	B*											
2		E*	E*									
3												

CLOCK



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*											
2		E*	E*									
3				R*								

CLOCK



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*							
2		E*	E*									
3				R*								

CLOCK

Since there are n frames, we need a replacement algorithm to choose which frame to replace.



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*							
2		E*	E*									
3				R*								

CLOCK

Since there is a “*”, clear “*” and advance the



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	B						
2		E*	E*			E						
3				R*								



CLOCK

Since there is a “*”, clear “*” and advance the



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	B						
2		E*	E*			E						
3				R*		R						

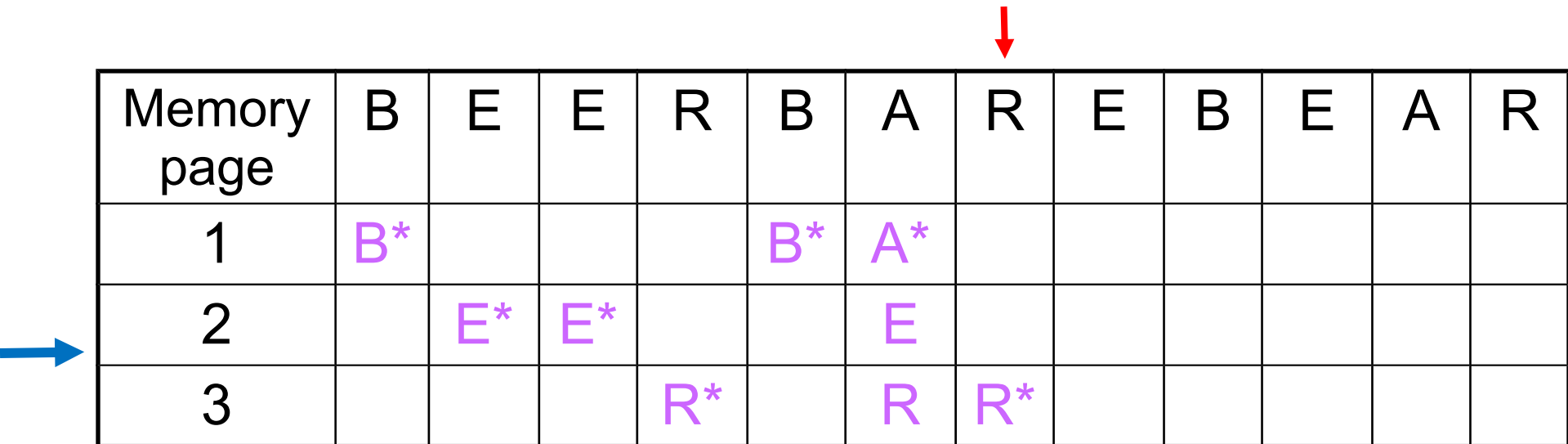
CLOCK

Now, we can assign A to this position



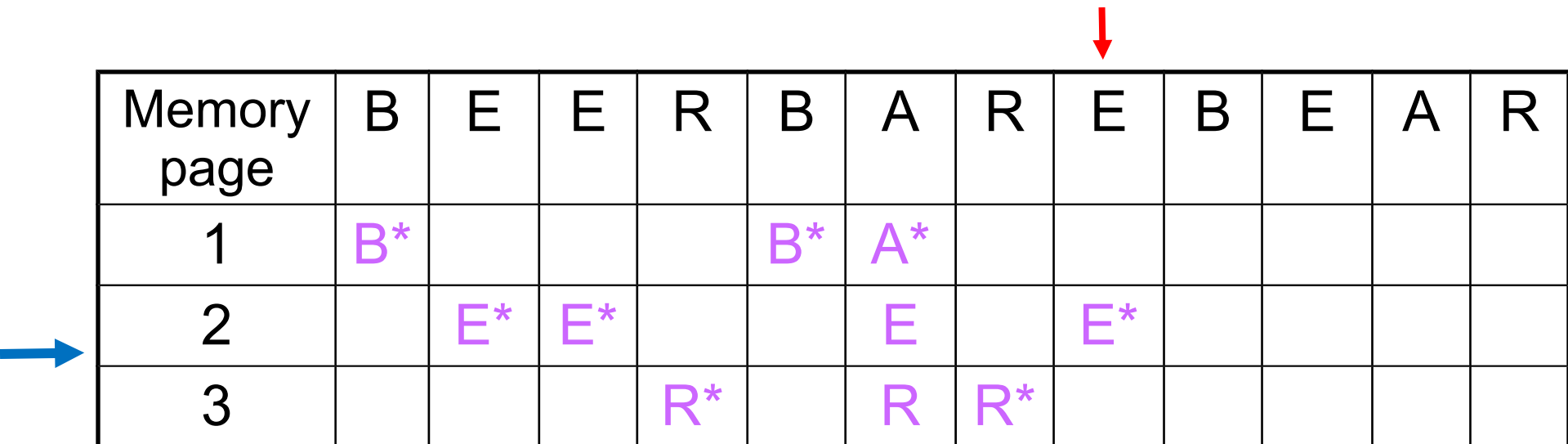
Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*						
2		E*	E*			E						
3				R*		R						

CLOCK



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*			B*			
2		E*	E*			E						
3				R*		R	R*					

CLOCK



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*						
2		E*	E*			E		E*				
3				R*		R	R*					

CLOCK

A page fault again, clear
“*” and advance the hand



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*						
2		E*	E*			E		E*	E			
3				R*		R	R*					

CLOCK

Clear "*" and advance the hand



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*						
2		E*	E*			E		E*	E			
3				R*		R	R*		R			

CLOCK


Clear "*" and advance the hand



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*			A			
2		E*	E*			E		E*	E			
3				R*		R	R*		R			

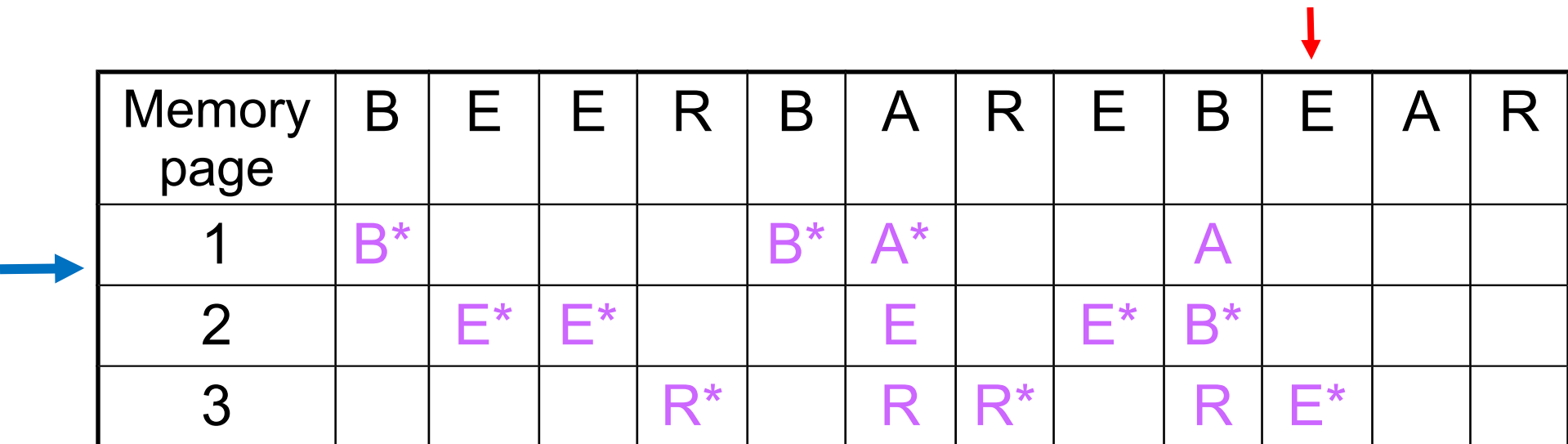
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Now put B here, because
there is no "*" here



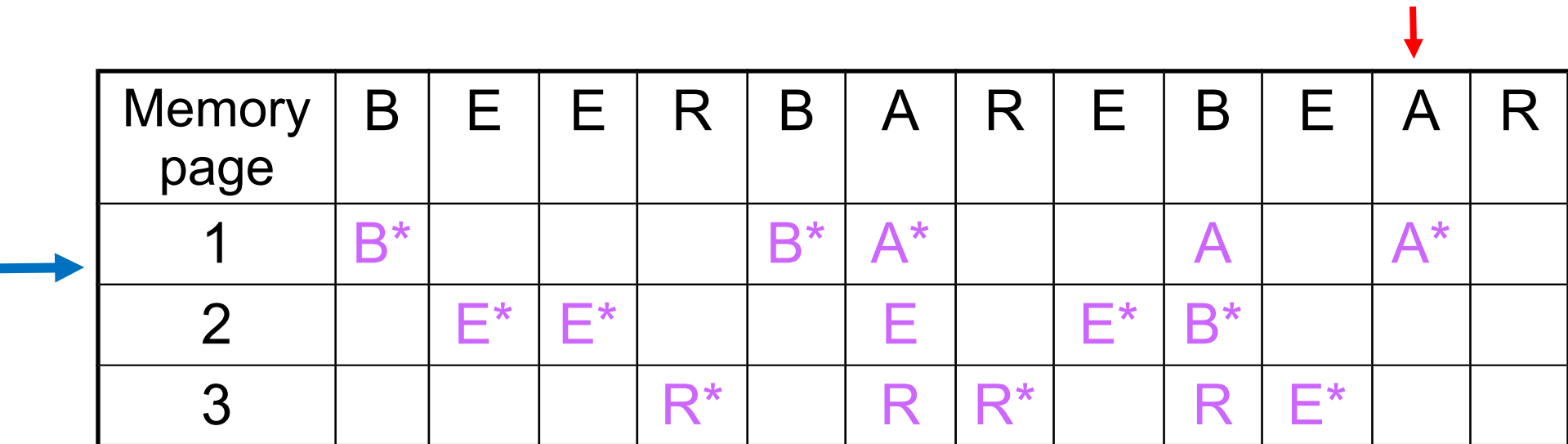
Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*			A			
2		E*	E*			E		E*	B*			
3				R*		R	R*		R			

CLOCK



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*			A			
2		E*	E*			E		E*	B*			
3				R*		R	R*		R	E*		


CLOCK



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*			A		A*	
2		E*	E*			E		E*	B*			
3				R*		R	R*		R	E*		

CLOCK



A page fault again,
clear “*” and
advance the hand



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*			A		A*	A
2		E*	E*			E		E*	B*			
3				R*		R	R*		R	E*		

CLOCK


Clear "*" and
advance the
hand



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*			A		A*	A
2		E*	E*			E		E*	B*			B
3				R*		R	R*		R	E*		

CLOCK

Clear "*" and
advance the
hand



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*			A		A*	A
2		E*	E*			E		E*	B*			B
3				R*		R	R*		R	E*		E


CLOCK

Now put R
here !



Memory page	B	E	E	R	B	A	R	E	B	E	A	R
1	B*				B*	A*			A		A*	R*
2		E*	E*			E		E*	B*			B
3				R*		R	R*		R	E*		E

Does adding RAM always reduce misses?

- Yes for LRU and MIN
 - Memory content of X pages  $X + 1$ pages
- **No for FIFO**
 - Due to modulo math
 - Belady's anomaly: getting more page faults by increasing the memory size

Belady's Anomaly

- 9 page faults

Memory page	A	B	C	D	A	B	E	A	B	C	D	E
1	A			D			E					*
2		B			A			*		C		
3			C			B			*		D	

Belady's Anomaly

- 10 page faults

Memory page	A	B	C	D	A	B	E	A	B	C	D	E
1	A				*		E				D	
2		B				*		A				E
3			C						B			
4				D						C		

Possibility of Thrashing

- If a process does not have “enough” pages, the page-fault rate is very high. This leads to:
 - low CPU utilization.
 - operating system thinks that it needs to increase the degree of multiprogramming.
 - another process added to the system.
 - This just increases the load on physical memory.
- **Thrashing** = a process is busy swapping pages in and out.

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You can try those algorithms by yourself

- Assume:
 - 3 frames
 - Reference string: 7,0,1,2,0,3,0,4,2,3,0,3,2,1,2,0,1,7,0,1
 - Each of the numbers refers to a page number
- Your task now
 - FIFO
 - LRU
 - Clock

Virtual Memory

- Paging
 - Basic paging
 - Paging-based VM
 - How to support the transparency of using space larger than the physical memory space
 - Page replacement algorithms
- Segmenting
 - Basic segmenting
 - Segmentation-based VM
 - How to support the transparency of using space larger than the physical memory space
- Segment-page scheme

Motivation of Segmenting

- Paging

- Mapping to allow differentiation between logical memory and physical memory.
- Separation of the user's view of memory and the actual physical memory.
- Chopping a process into equally-sized pieces.
- ☞ Paging division is arbitrary; no natural/logical boundaries for protection/sharing.

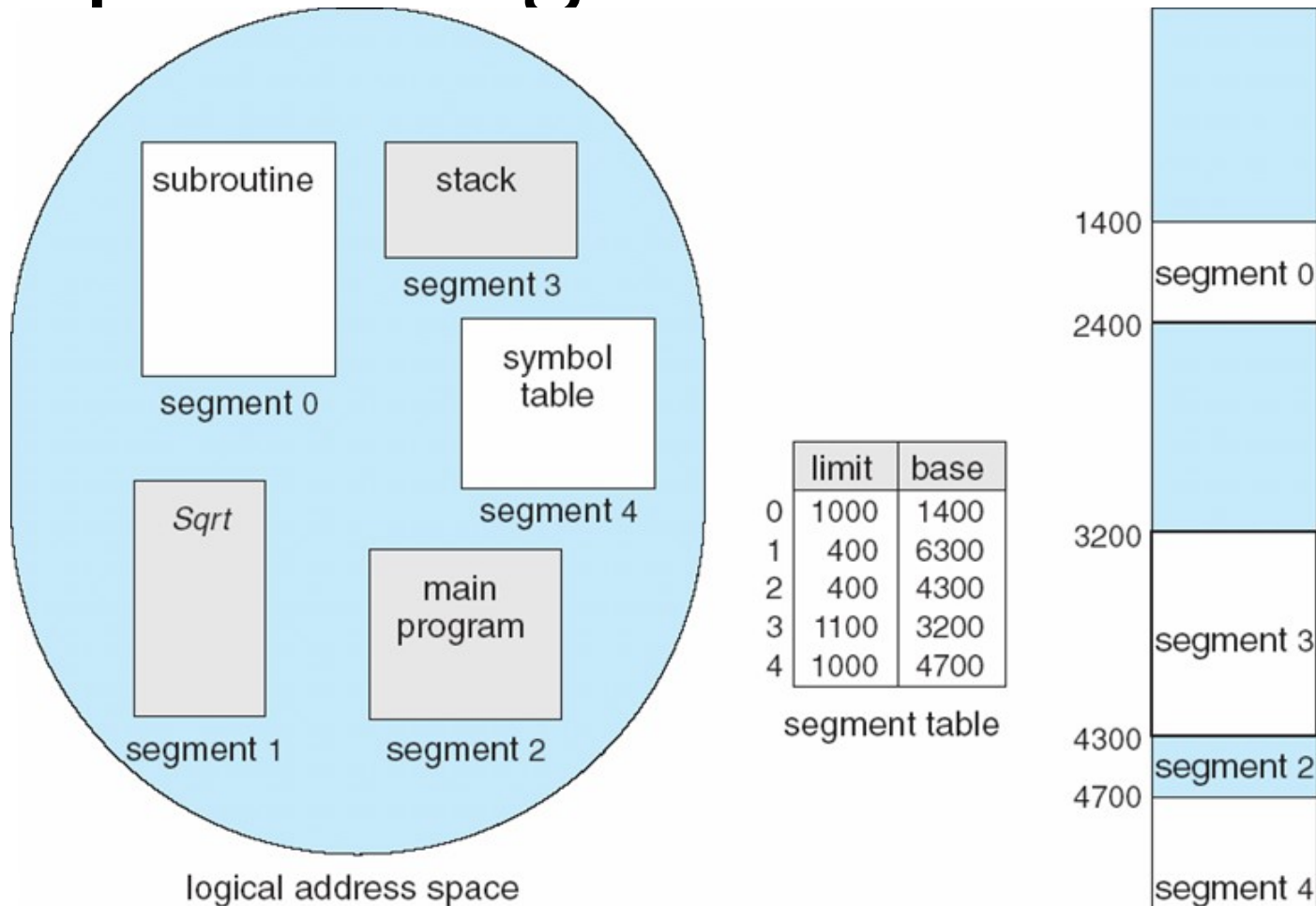
Ⓟ Any scheme for dividing a process into a collection of semantic units?

(syntactic [语法的], semantic [语义的])

Segmentation(分段)

- Segmentation could be seen as the extension of variable partitioning
 - Each program is subdivided into blocks of non-equal size called **segments**.
 - Cut your program according to semantic organization, such as following function, or class etc.
 - Allocate MM region whose size is just the size of the needed segment
 - When a process gets loaded into main memory, its different segments can be located anywhere.

Example of Segmentation



Addressing consist of two parts -
a segment number(段号) and an
offset(偏移量)

Dynamics of Simple Segmentation

- There is external fragmentation; it is reduced when using small segments.
 - Each segment is fully packed with instructions/data; **no internal fragmentation.**
- In contrast with paging, segmentation is visible to the programmer:
 - provided as a convenience to organize logically programs (**example: data in one segment, code in another segment**).
 - must be aware of segment size limit.
- The OS maintains a segment table for each process. Each entry contains:
 - the starting physical addresses of that segment.
 - the length of that segment (for protection).

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Logical address used in segmentation

- Logical address now is divided into two parts:
 - (segment number, offset) = (s, d), the CPU indexes (with s) the **segment table** to obtain the starting physical address **b** and the length **l** of that segment.
- The physical address is obtained by adding d to b (in contrast with paging):
 - The hardware also compares the offset d with the length **l** of that segment to determine if the address is valid.

Address Translation in hybrid method

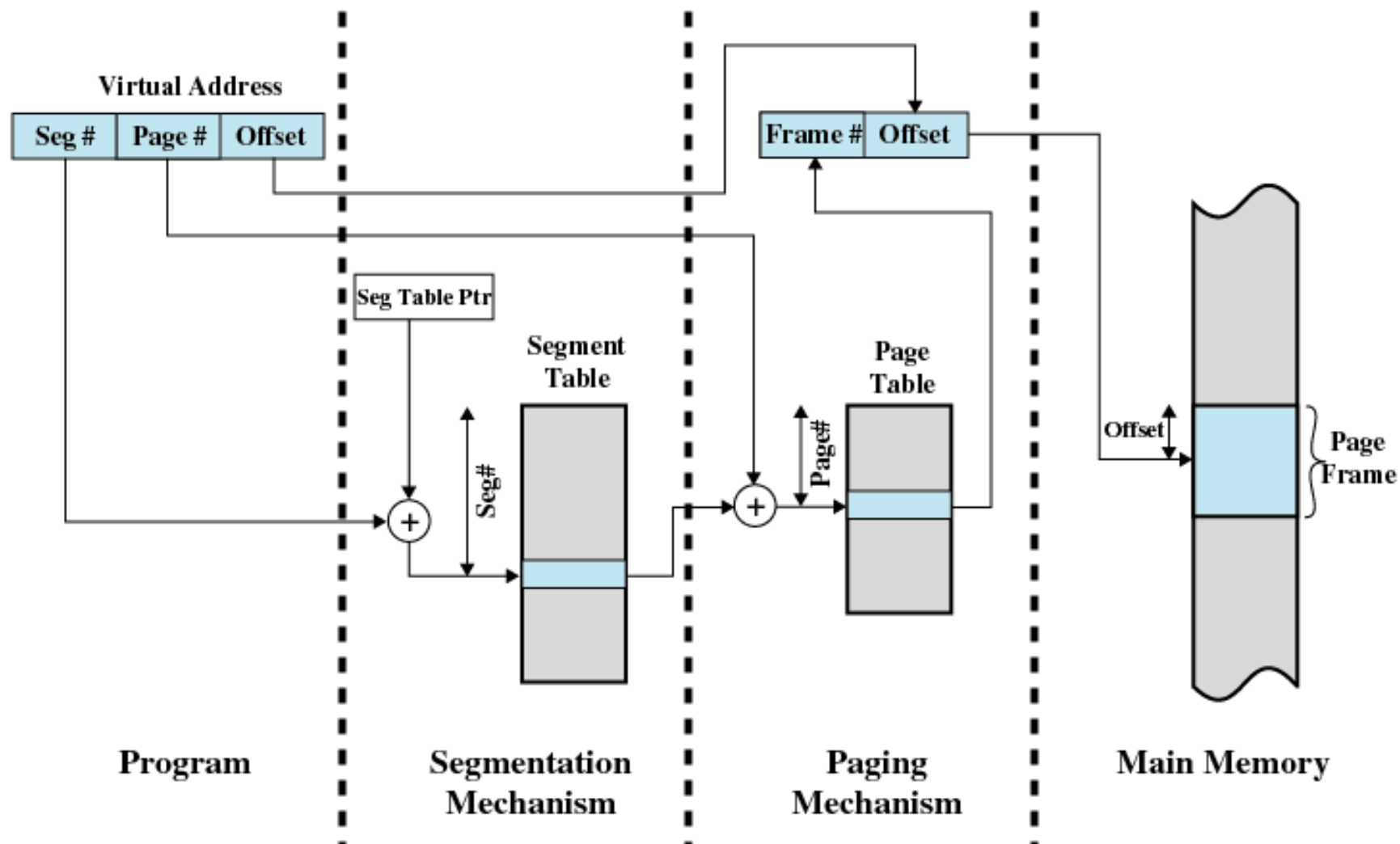
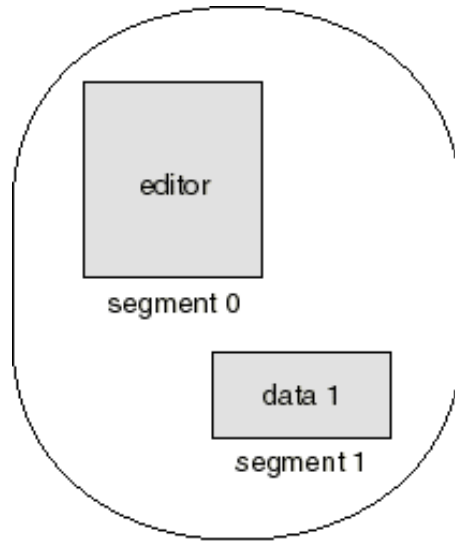


Figure 8.13 Address Translation in a Segmentation/Paging System

Sharing in Segmentation Systems

- Segments are shared when entries in the segment tables of 2 different processes point to the same physical locations.
- Example: the same code of a text editor can be shared by many users:
 - Only one copy is kept in main memory.
- But each user would still need to have its own private data segment.

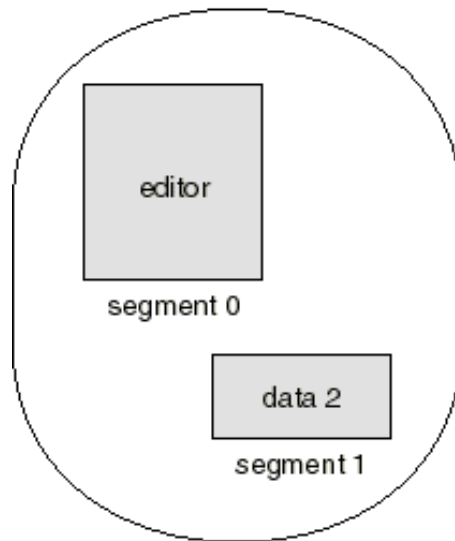
Shared Segments Example



logical address space
process P_1

	limit	base
0	25286	43062
1	4425	68348

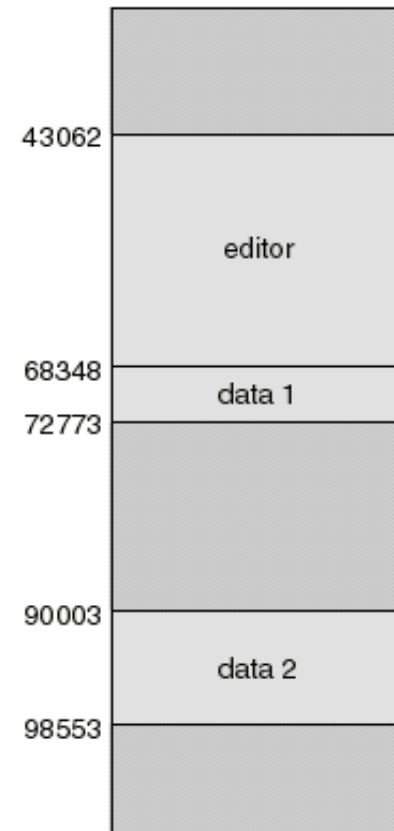
segment table
process P_1



logical address space
process P_2

	limit	base
0	25286	43062
1	8850	90003

segment table
process P_2



physical memory

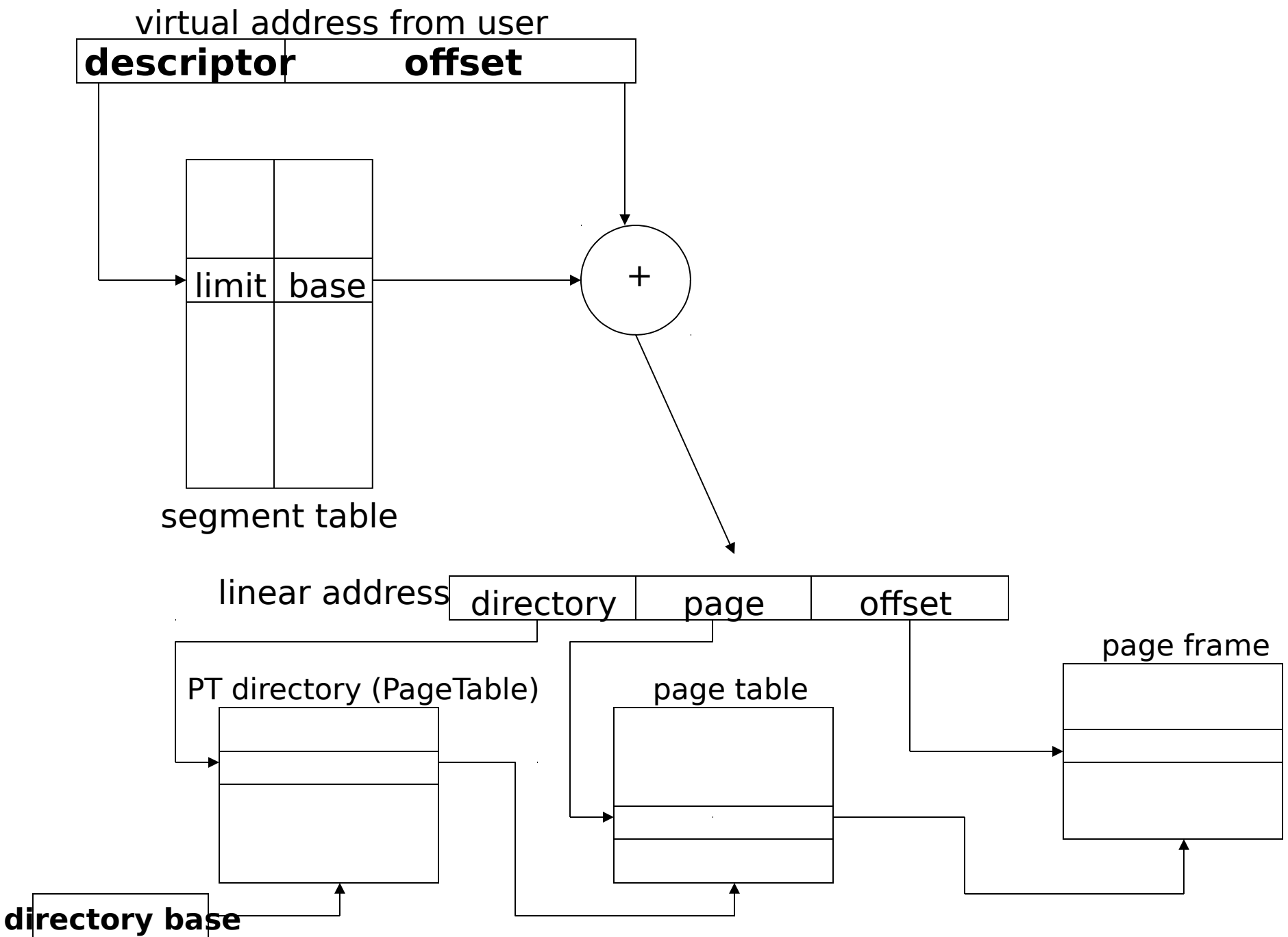
Virtual Memory

- Paging
 - Basic paging
 - Supporting VM
- Segmenting
 - Basic segmenting
 - Supporting VM
- Segment-page scheme

Segmentation + Paging

- Paging or segmentation?
- In the old days,
 - Motorola 68000 used paging.
 - Intel 80x86 used segmentation.
- Now
 - both combines paging and segmentation
- The OS for I386
 - OS/2 from IBM
 - NT from MS

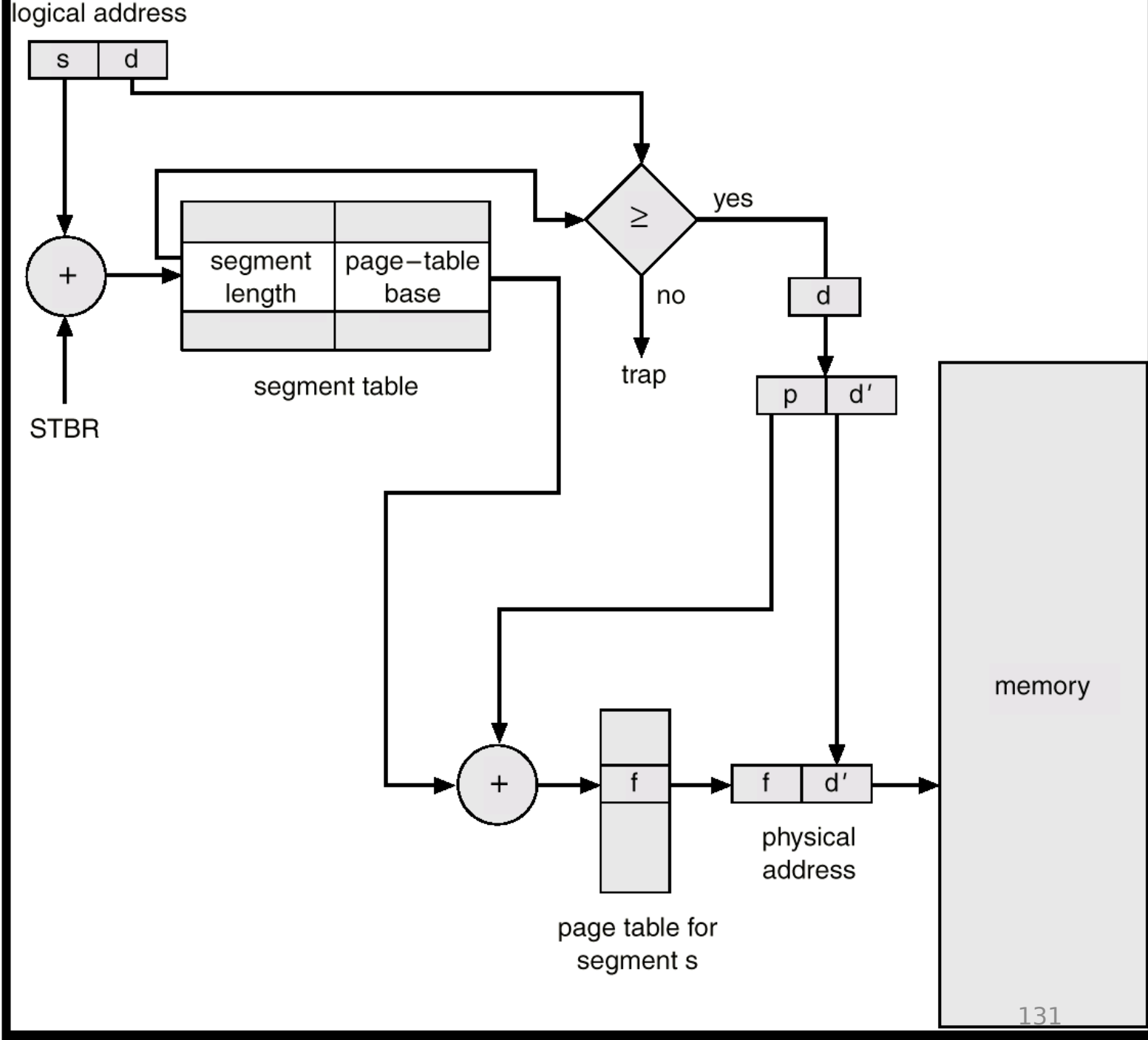
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Segmentation + Paging: MULTICS

- The MULTICS system solved problems of external fragmentation and lengthy search times by paging the segments.
- Solution differs from pure segmentation in that the segment-table entry contains not the base address of the segment, but rather the base address of a *page table* for this segment.
- Example in the next slide.

on Scheme



Dealing with Large Page Tables

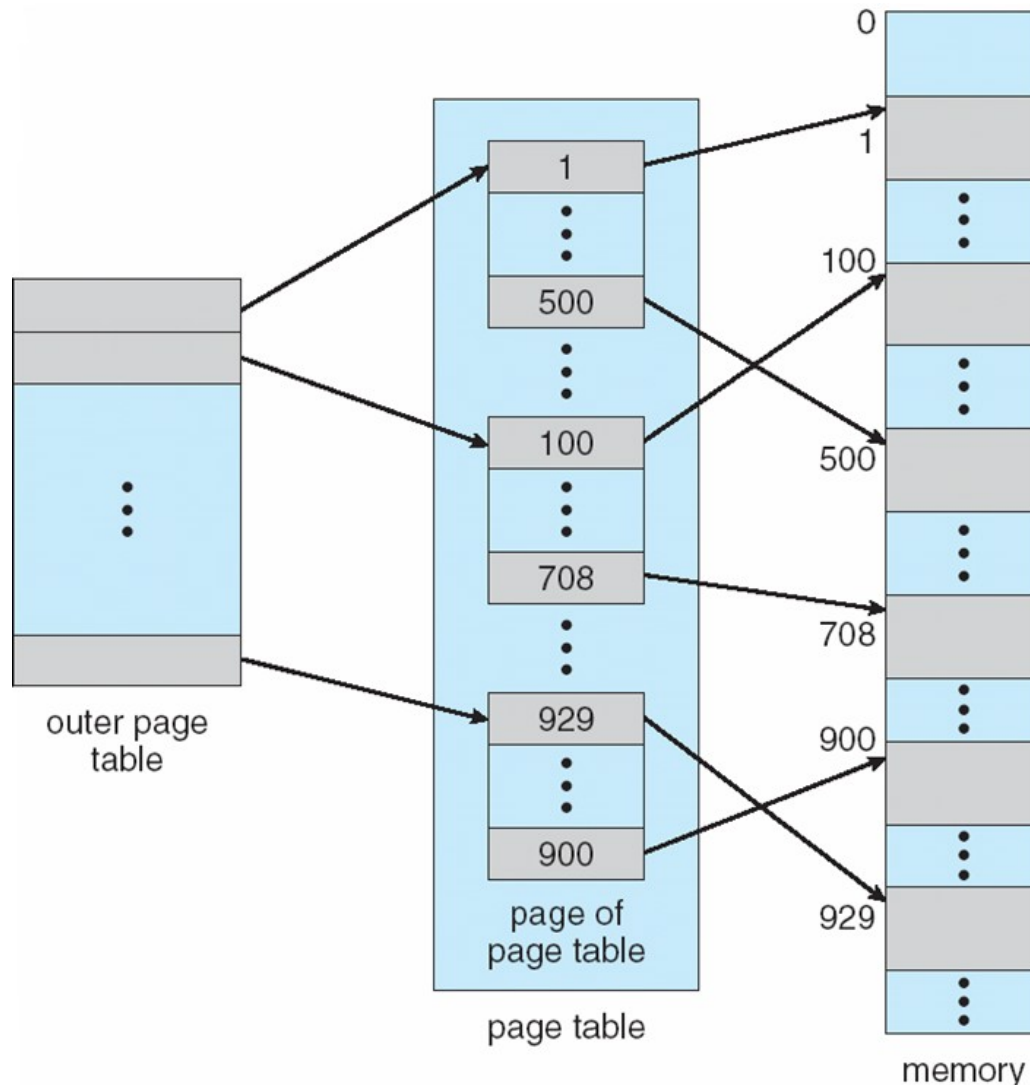
Structure of the Page Table

- ❑ Typically systems have large logical address spaces
- ❑ Page table could be excessively large
- ❑ Example:
 - 32-bit logical address space
 - The number of possible addresses in the logical address space is 2^{32}
 - Page size is 4 KB (4096 bytes or 2^{12})
 - Number of pages is 2^{20} (20 bits for page number)
 - Page table may consist of up to 1 million entries

Structure of Page Table

- Several approaches
 - Multi-Level Page tables
 - Hashed Page Tables
 - Inverted Page Tables

Two-Level Page-Table Scheme



- Page table is also paged
- Need to be able to index the outer page table

Two-Level Paging Example

- A logical address (on 32-bit machine with 1K page size) is divided into:
 - A page number consisting of 22 bits
 - A page offset consisting of 10 bits
- Since the page table is paged, the page number is further divided into:
 - A 12-bit page number
 - A 10-bit page offset

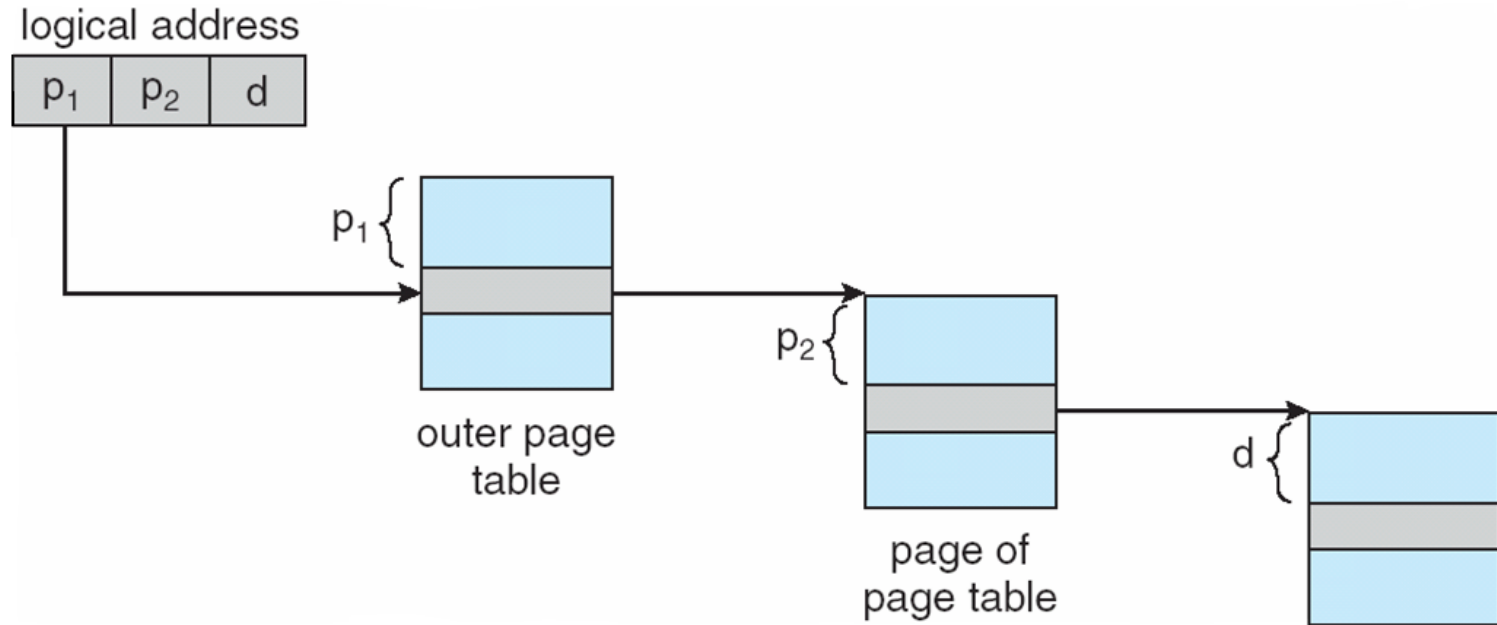
Two-Level Paging Example

□ Thus, a logical address is as follows:

page number		page offset
p_1	p_2	d
12	10	10

where p_1 is an index into the outer page table, and p_2 is the displacement within the page of the outer page table

Address-Translation Scheme



- ❑ p_1 is used to index the outer page table
- ❑ p_2 is used to index the page table

Multi-level Paging

- ❑ What if you have a 64-bit architecture?
- ❑ Do you think hierarchical paging is a good idea?
 - How many levels of paging are needed?
 - What is the relationship between paging and memory accesses?
 - 64-bit means that even the outer page is large
 - The 64-bit UltraSPARC requires 7 levels of paging

Hashed Page Tables

- ❑ Common in address spaces larger than 32 bits
- ❑ The page number is hashed into a page table
 - This page table contains a chain of elements hashing to the same location
- ❑ Virtual page numbers are compared in this chain searching for a match
 - If a match is found, the corresponding physical frame is extracted

Case studies

Case Study - Windows

- ❑ Virtual memory with demand page
- ❑ Can support 32 or 64 bit
- ❑ Has a pool of free frames
- ❑ Uses prepaging (called **clustering**)
- ❑ What happens if the amount of free memory falls below some threshold?
 - Each process has a minimum number of processes
 - Windows will take away pages that exceed that minimum
- ❑ Applies LRU Locally

Case Study - Window

- ❑ Each process is guaranteed to have a minimum number of frames
- ❑ Each process has a maximum number of frames
- ❑ If a page fault occurs for a process that has as the maximum number of frames a local replacement policy is used
- ❑ If a page fault occurs for a process that is below its working set maximum a free frame is used.

Case Study - Linux

- ❑ Virtual memory with demand paging
- ❑ Can support 32 or 64 bit
- ❑ Replacement
 - Least recently used (LRU) policy
 - Different implementations for different systems

Case Study-Android, iOS

- ❑ PCs and Servers: Support some form of swapping
- ❑ Mobile devices -- Rely a lot on flash memory for persistent storage
 - It's fast
 - Flash memory can tolerate a limited number of writes before it becomes unreliable
- ❑ Support
 - Typically no swapping
 - Paged systems

Case Study-Android

- ❑ No swap space for memory
- ❑ Does have
 - Paging
 - Map pages to physical pages
- ❑ Implications
 - Modified data (e.g., stack is not removed)
 - Read-only data (e.g., code) can be removed from the system and reloaded from flash memory

Case Study -- Android

zygote ['zaigəʊt]n. 合子, 受精卵

□ Sharing Memory

- Each app is forked from an existing process called **Zygote**
 - Zygote loads framework code
 - RAM pages allocated for framework code is shared by application processes
- Static data (e.g., code) is often mapped to specific pages
- Some dynamic memory is explicitly shared by Android and applications
 - Example: Window surfaces use shared memory between the app and screen compositor

Case Study - Android

- ❑ Switching applications
 - Android keeps processes that are not hosting a foreground ("user visible") app component in a least-recently used (**LRU**) cache.
 - The system keeps the process cached, so if the user later returns to the app, the process is reused for faster app switching.
 - As the system runs low on memory, it may kill processes in the **LRU** cache beginning with the process least recently used

Case Study-Android

□ Implications

- Developers must carefully allocate and release memory to ensure that their applications do not use too much memory or suffer from memory leaks