

SSE3044 Introduction to Operating Systems

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Project 4. Page Replacement

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Project Plan

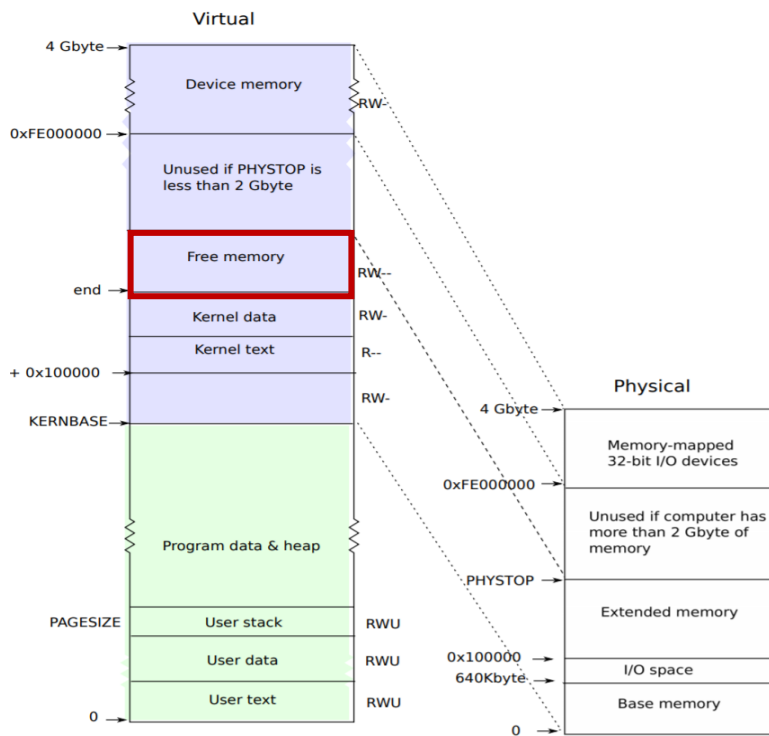
- Total 6 projects
 0. Booting xv6 operating system
 1. System call
 2. CPU scheduling
 3. Virtual memory
 4. Page replacement
 - Swapping
 5. File systems

Project Objective

- Implement page-level swapping
 - Swap-in operation
 - Swap-out operation
 - Manage swappable pages with LRU list
 - Page replacement policy: clock algorithm

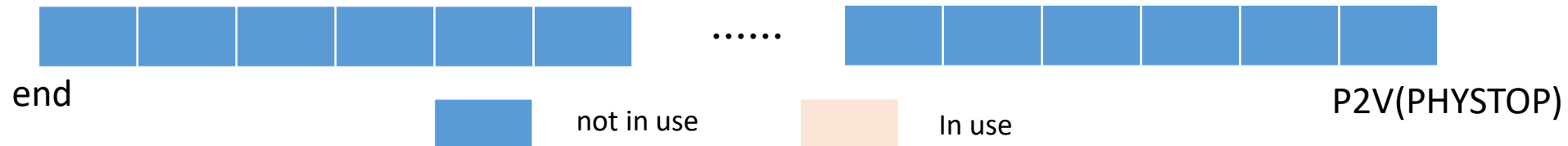
Physical Memory Initialization in xv6

- When xv6 boots up, **kinit1()** and **kinit2()** to initialize free memory from end to P2V(PHYSTOP)
 - Uses a free page list to manage this free memory
 - To allocate this free page, use **kalloc()**
 - To free this allocated page, use **kfree()**



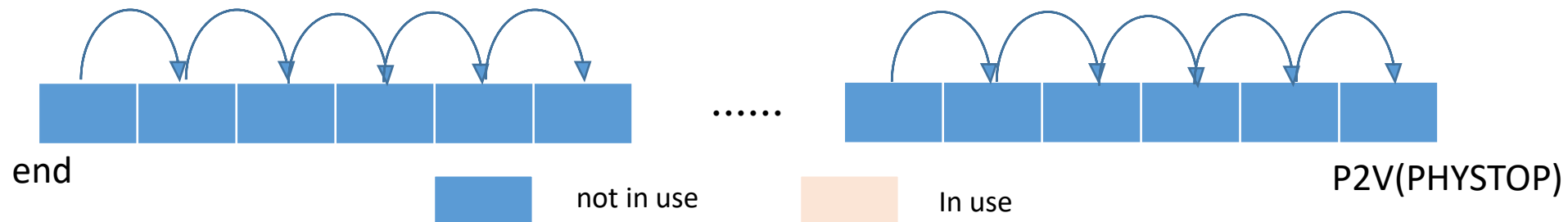
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4. kfree();
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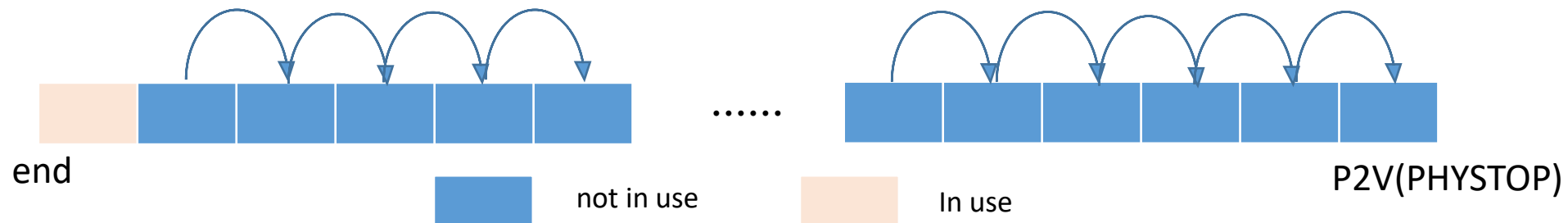
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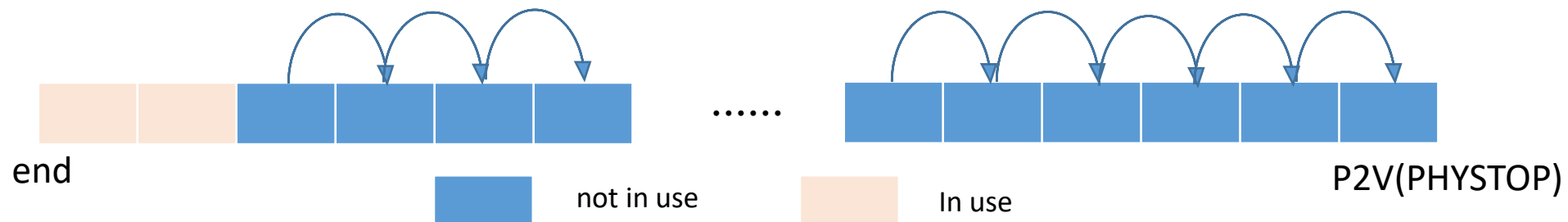
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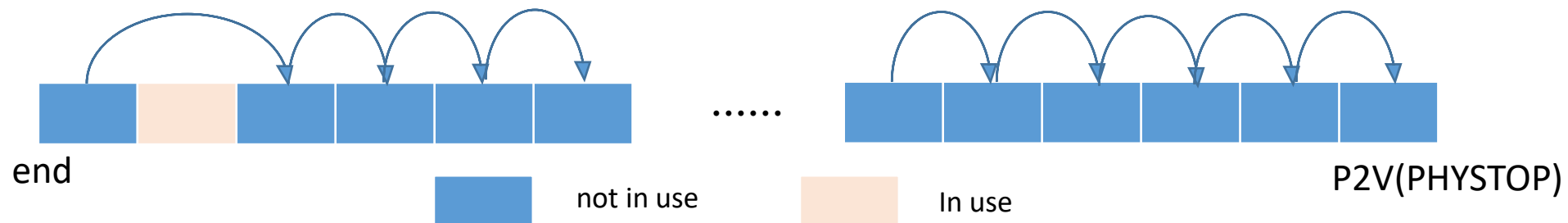
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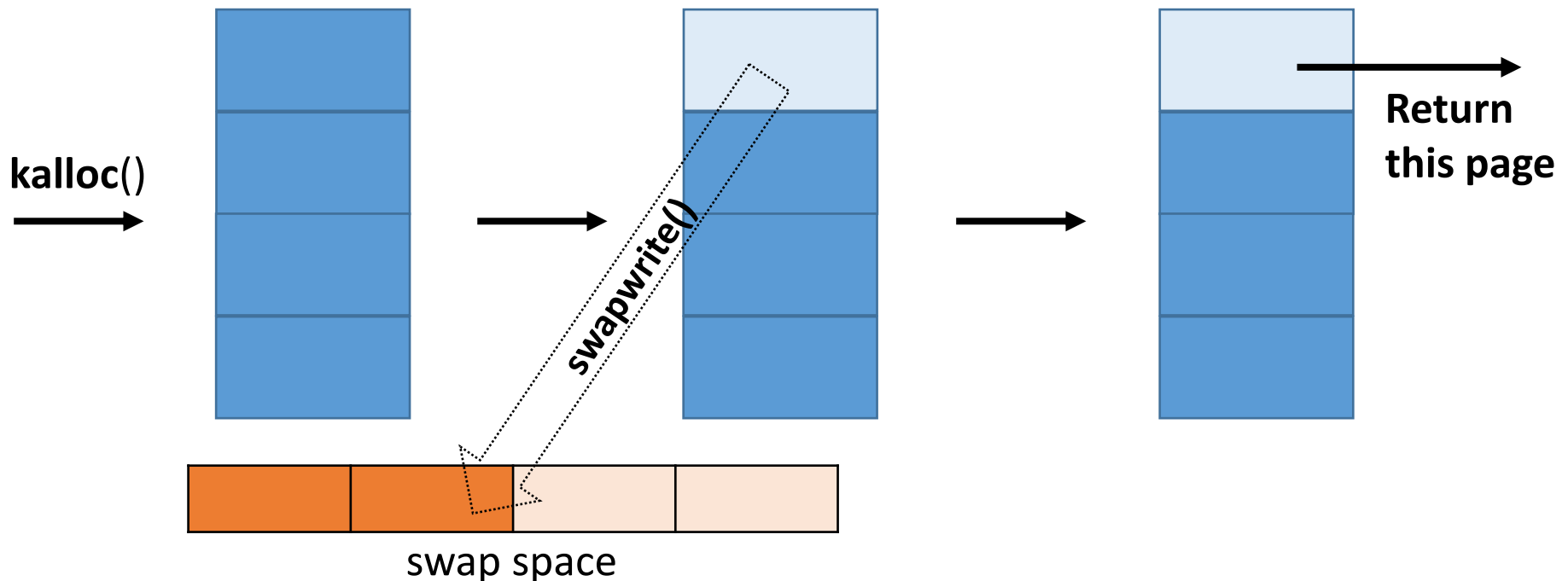
Memory Allocation in xv6

- If there is no free page, **kalloc()** just returns zero and it occurs an error consequently
 - To prevent this, we are going to implement a **swapping** for xv6



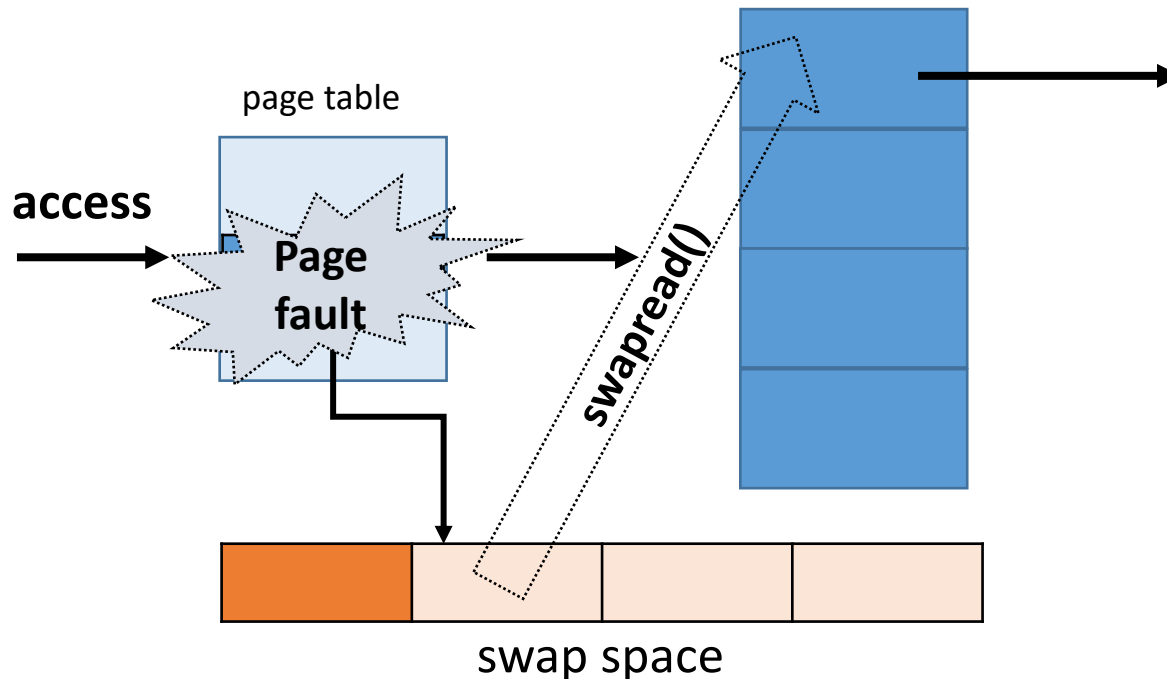
Project 4: Swapping (1)

- If **kalloc()** is called but there is no free page, selects a victim page and swaps temporarily out of memory to a swap space
 - This process is called swap-out
 - Use the **swapwrite()** function which is provided in skeleton code



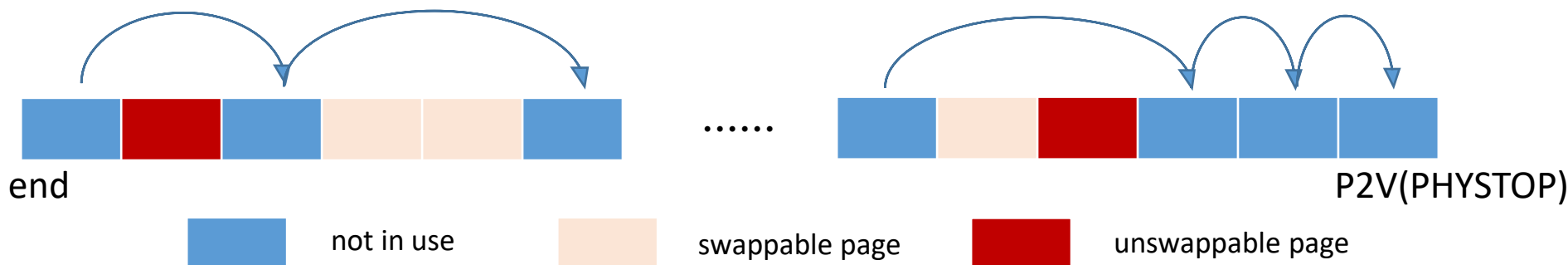
Project 4: Swapping (2)

- If access to swapped out page occurs, load it into memory by demand paging
 - This process is called swap-in
 - Use the **swpread()** function which is provided in skeleton code



Project 4: Swappable Pages

- Only user pages are swappable
 - Generated when invoking the **inituvm()**, **allocuvm()**, **copyuvm()**
 - Some of the physical pages should not be swapped out
 - E.g. page table, page directory, kernel stack
 - You don't need to worry about kernel text and data and because they do not include between end and P2V(PHYSTOP)

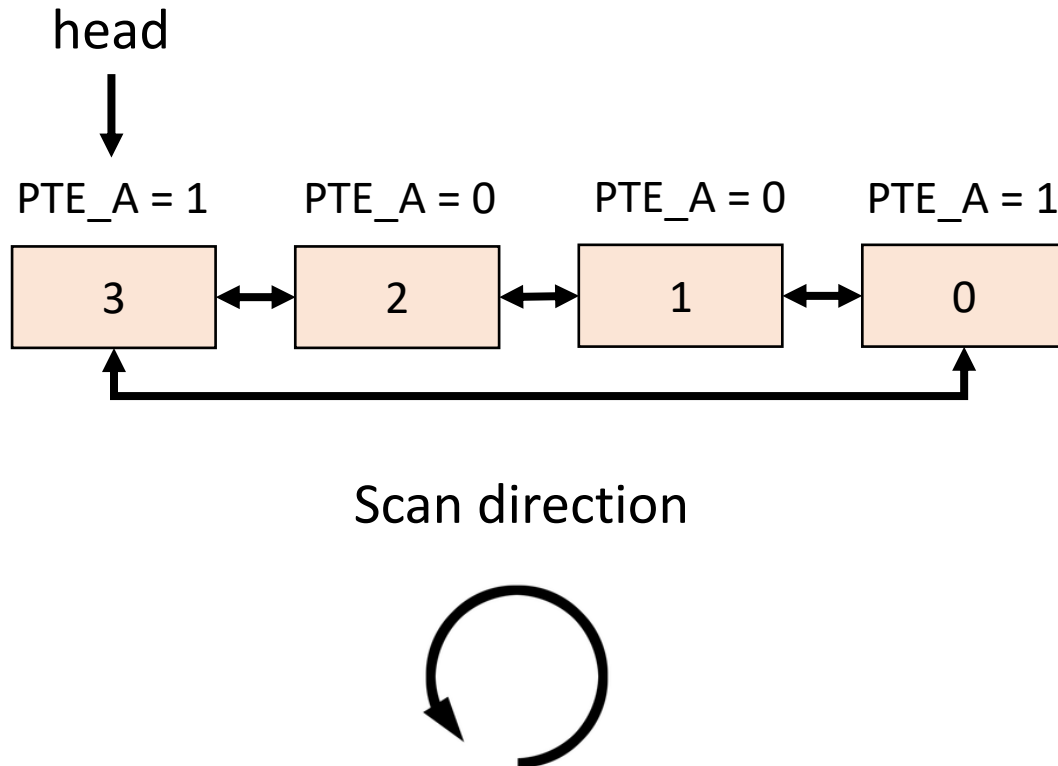


Project 4: Page Replacement

- Policy : clock algorithm
 - Use accessed bit in PTE (PTE_A : 0x20)
 - QEMU automatically sets PTE_A bit when accessed
 - Manage swappable pages using circular doubly linked list in a LRU manner
 - Implement using a **struct page** defined on all pages in skeleton code
 - Insert the new node into head->next
 - From the head of the list, select a victim page by scanning in the direction of the previous node
 - If PTE_A == 1, clear the flag and go to previous page
 - If PTE_A == 0, swap-out this page and go to previous page

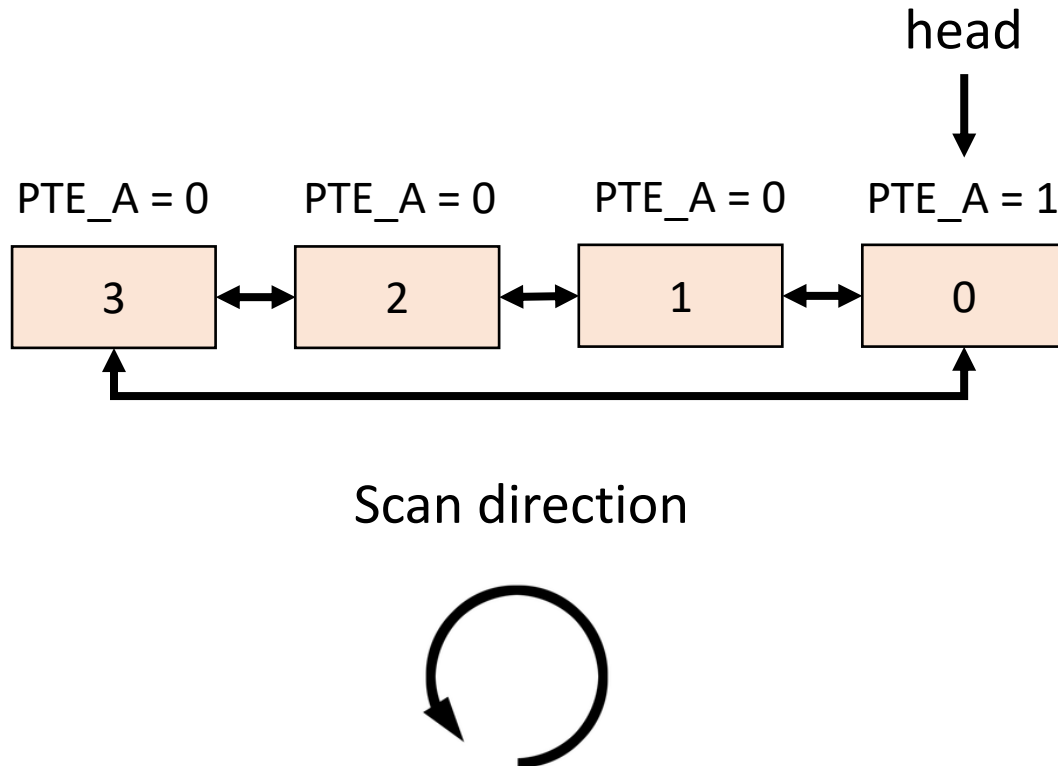
Clock Algorithm Example

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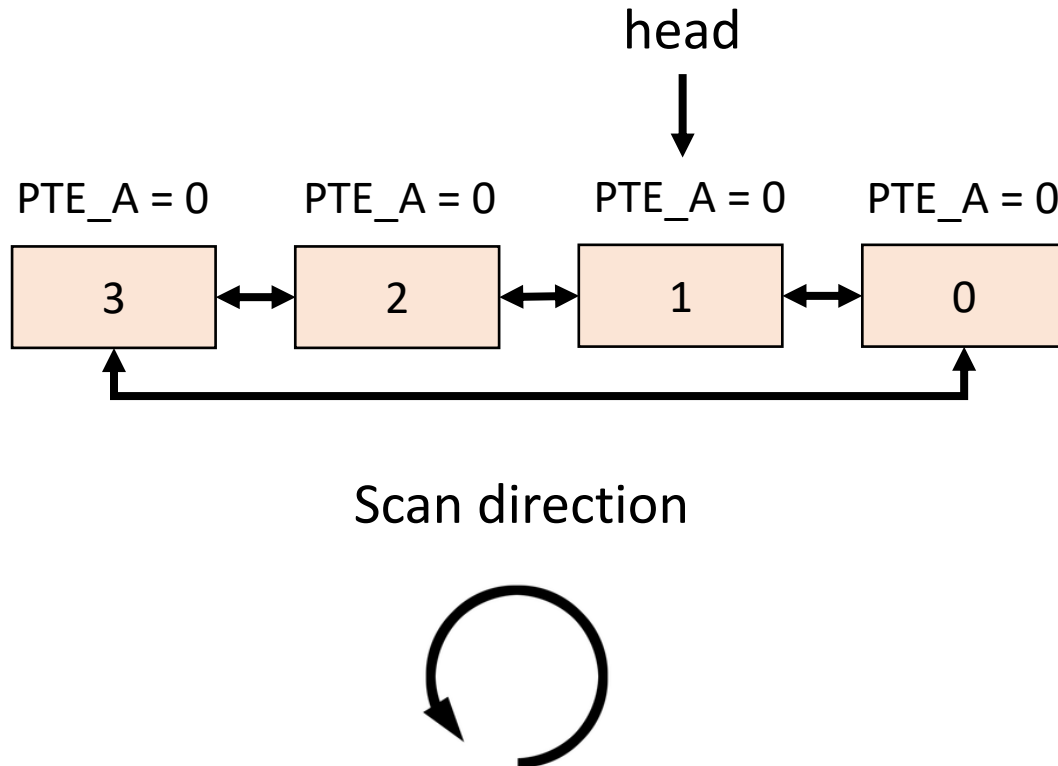
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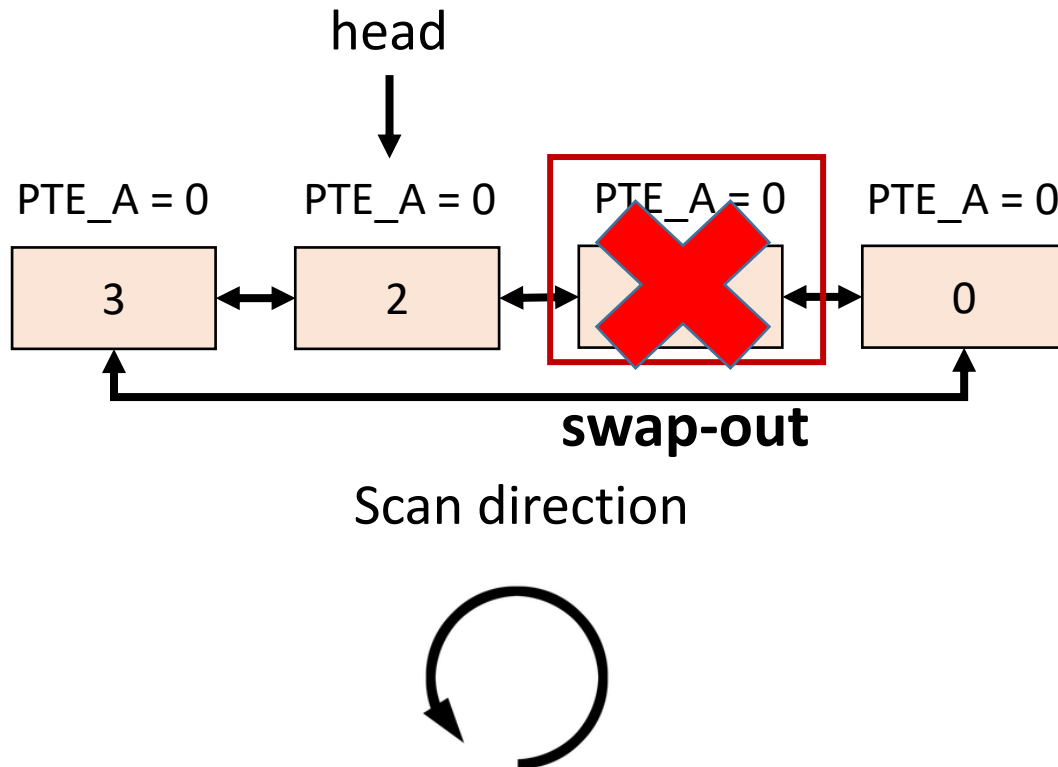
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3. Check page 1's PTE_A



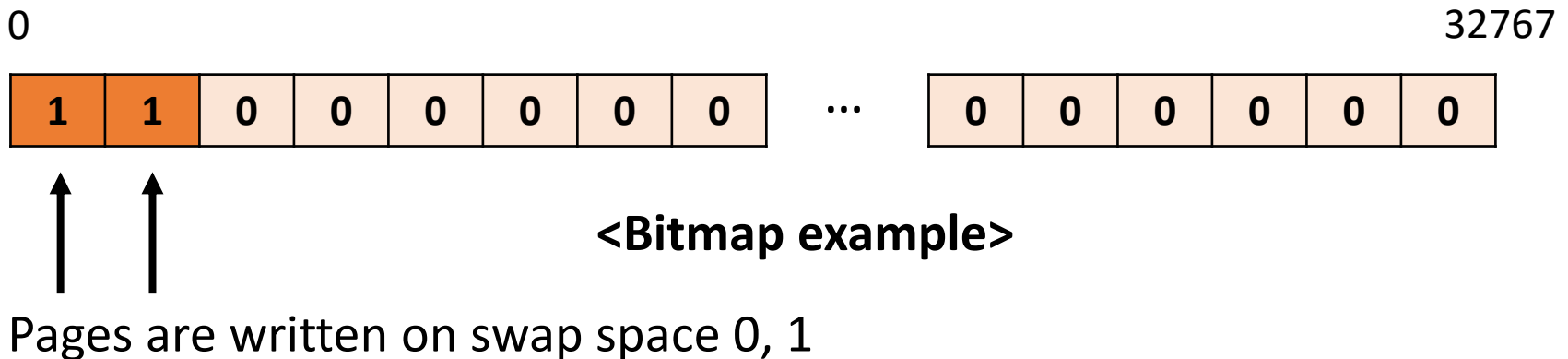
Clock Algorithm Example

1. Check page 3's PTE_A -> clear the flag and go to previous page
2. Check page 0's PTE_A -> clear the flag and go to previous page
3. Check page 1's PTE_A -> swap-out this page and go to previous page



Swap Space Management

- To check where swap space is used, use one physical page to implement a bitmap
 - Set up the bits when the page is swapped out
 - Clear the bits when the page is swapped in
 - The swap space is about 50M in the skeleton code, enough to represent as a single page(128M)
 - Please refer to SWAPMAX, SWAPBASE in skeleton code



Operations during Swap-out

- If **kalloc()** is called but there is no free page
 1. Use bitmap to find a free block
 2. Select a victim page using the clock algorithm
 3. Use **swapwrite()** to write the victim page to the swap space
 4. Update PTE of the victim page
 - Clear the PTE_P
 - Write the swap space offset into the PFN field of the PTE
 - Flush TLB
 5. Remove the victim page from LRU list
 6. Set up the corresponding bit in bitmap
 7. Use **kfree()** to free the victim page

Operations during Swap-in

- When a page fault is occurred and if the faulted PTE is non-zero and PTE_P is not set
 1. Allocate a new physical page
 2. Use **swapread()** to read the page from swap space
 3. Change PTE value with physical address & PTE_P set
 - Tip: do not need to call **mappages()**, because it is already mapped to a page table
 4. Insert the page into LRU list
 5. Clear the corresponding bit in the bitmap

Considerations & Hints

- When swap-out occurs, and there is no page in LRU list, OOM (out of memory) error will occur
 - Just use **panic**("OOM Error")
- Consider to user lock when to read or modify shared resources
 - Do not touch the number of CPUs and **yield()** function in trap.c
- When user virtual memory is copied,
 - Swapped out pages should be copied
- When user virtual memory is deallocated,
 - Remove from LRU list
 - Swapped out pages should be cleared in bitmap and set PTE to 0

Skeleton Code

- Provides three useful functions
 - Functions for read / write page to swap space are provided
 - void **swapread**(char* **ptr**, int **blkno**)
 - void **swapwrite**(char* **ptr**, int **blkno**)
 - Function for measuring swap space accesses
 - void **swapstat**(int* **nr_sectors_read**, int* **nr_sectors_write**)
- Extended the swap space more widely

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xv6.img: bootblock kernel  
dd if=/dev/zero of=xv6.img count=10000
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dd if=/dev/zero of=xv6.img count=100000
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Makefile

Self Swapping Check

1. There are too many free pages in the beginning, you need to reduce the PHYSTOP to reduce free pages
2. Use **malloc()** system call to consume physical memory
3. Use **swapstat()** system call to measure the swap space accesses
 - The less swap-out and swap-in occur, you can get a better score
4. Check the contents of the page are the same as before
 - If not, swapping was performed incorrectly

Submission

- Start using the skeleton code provided
- Compress your source code and upload on i-Campus
- How to compress your project
 - If you insert the user program, Modify the 'EXTRA' in Makefile
 - make dist
 - make tar
 - Then, tar.gz file will be generated automatically
 - Rename to studentID-project4.tar.gz
- Submit a report together. The file format of the report is limited to pdf
 - There is no limit to the format of the contents
 - But, include your description of your code
 - **Also, include result of self swapping check**

Submission

- File format
 - StudentID-project4.tar.gz
 - StudentID-project4.pdf
- PLEASE DO NOT COPY
 - YOU WILL GET F GRADE IF YOU COPIED
- Due date: 5/30(Sat.), 23:59:59 PM
 - -25% per day for delayed submission

Questions

- If you have questions, please ask in Piazza
 - Avoid questions about implementation 😊
 - Read the commentary before posting the question on piazza
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