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## 2. Page faults: costs

look at AMAT (avg. memory access time)

$$\text{AMAT} = (1-p) \cdot t_M + p \cdot t_D$$

$t_M$ 
 $t_D$

$p$  is probability (or frequency of a page fault)

mem access time  $\sim 100\text{ns}$   $t_M$

disk access time  $\sim 10\text{ms} = 10^7\text{ns}$   $t_D$

QUESTION: what is  $p$  such that paging hurts performance by less than 10%?

$$1.1 \cdot t_M \geq (1-p) t_M + p \cdot t_D$$

$$1.1 \cdot t_m \geq t_m - p \cdot t_m + p \cdot t_D$$

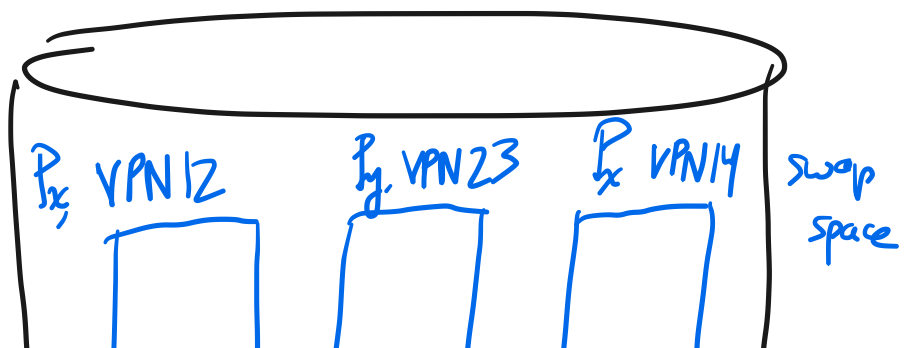
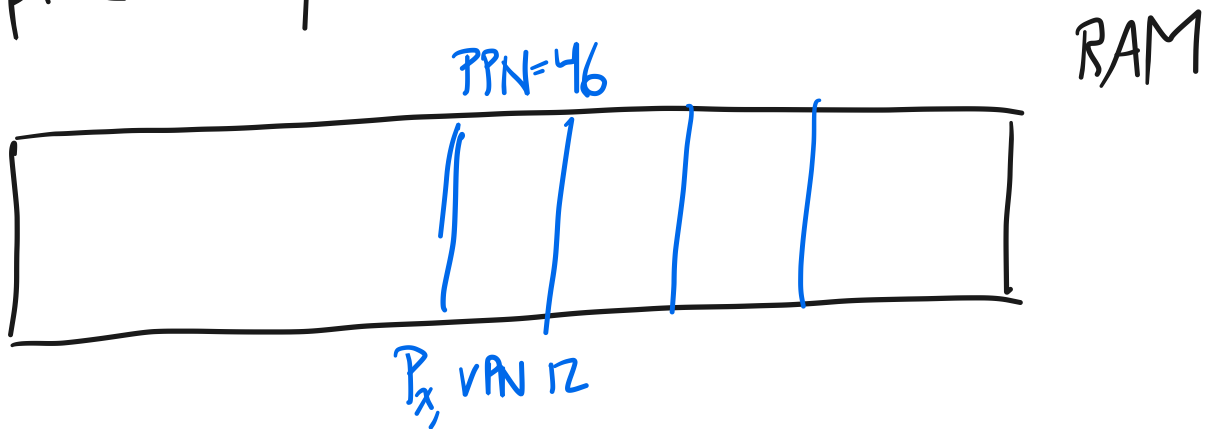
$$.1 t_m \geq p(t_D - t_m)$$

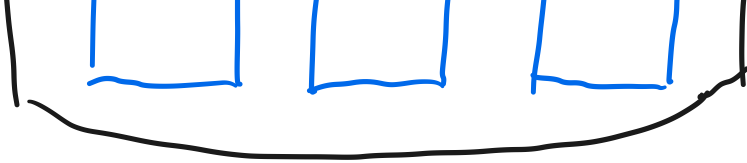
$$p \leq \frac{t_m}{10 \cdot (t_D - t_m)} \approx 10^{-1} \cdot \frac{t_m}{t_D} =$$

$$= \frac{t_m}{10 \cdot t_D} = \frac{100 \text{ ns}}{10 \cdot 10^7 \text{ ns}}$$

$$= \frac{100 \text{ ns}}{10^8 \text{ ns}} = 10^{-6}$$

### 3. Page replacement policies





- FIFO: eject oldest
- MIN (OPT): eject entry that won't be referenced for the longest time

input:  
reference string  
cache size

output:  
number of evictions, or more generally misses

## FIFO

A B C A B D A D B C B

phys. slot

S1

A

h

D

h

C

S2

B

h

A

S3

C

B

h

7 misses/swaps/evictions, 4 hits

OPTIMAL

A B C A B D A D B C B

phys.slot

S1

S2

S3

				h		h			c		h
A				h				h			h
	B			h							
		C			D		h				

5 misses/swaps/evictions, 6 hits

LRU

A B C A B D A D B C B

phys.slot

S1

S2

S3

				h		h			c		h
A				h				h			h
	B			h							
		C			D		h				

5 misses/sle, 6 hits

LRU

A B C D A B C D A B C D

S1	A		D		C					
S2		B		A		D		C		
S3			C		B		A		D	

12 misses, 0 hits

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back to FIFO

	A	B	C	D	A	B	E	A	B	C	D	E
S1	A			D	A		E			C		E
S2		B						h				h
S3			C			B		h			D	

3 hits

	A	B	C	D	A	B	E	A	B	C	D	E
S1	A				h		E	A			D	E
S2		B				h			B			
S3			C							C		
S4				D								

2 hits

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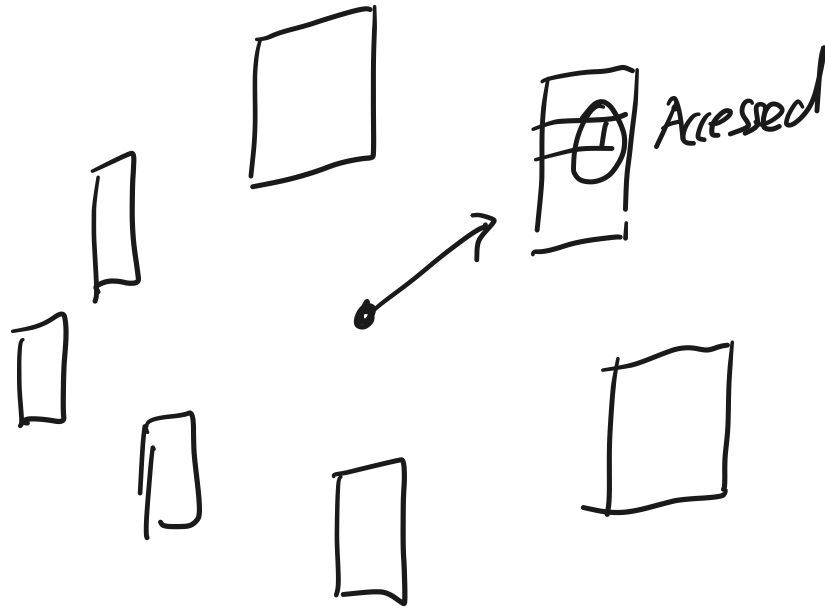
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- OPT minimizes misses/swaps/evictions  
 - but can't be implemented in general.

- LRU: approximates OPT (assuming what?)

- approximate LRU with CLOCK



H/W sets Accessed + Dirty bits

OS consumes these bits and clears them.

- Generalization of CLOCK:  $N^{\text{th}}$  Chance (see notes).

## 4. Thrashing

ex: program touches 50 pages, equiprobably  
but only 40 phys. frames (or slots)

Thrashing: processes demand more memory for active use than the system has.

3 reasons:

- (a) process has no temporal locality, or
  - (b) " " temporal locality but not enough memory, or
  - (c) individually all processes fit, but there's not enough memory.
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