

last time (1)

mmap — process memory as list of mappings

mapping: read/write, private/shared, underlying file if any

memory as cache

- cached parts of files (for read *or* “mapped” into process’s memory)

- “anonymous” data (like heap) *swapped* to disk if needed

forward mapping for hits: page tables (virtual → physical page)

forward mapping for misses: OS data structures

- virtual page → file + offset → cached pages/location on disk

- virtual page → temporary location on disk

last time (2)

memory as cache...

reverse mapping: physical page \rightarrow page table entries
needed to replace with some other data

Linux solution: data structure per physical page

- point to underlying file if any, file points to processes using it
- point to list of mappings (page table uses) for non-file data (“anon_vma”)

 - data for heap, stack

 - copied-on-write parts of private mappings (e.g. initialized globals)

- space-saving: share lists between related pages (e.g. heap pages after fork)

started: page replacement goals

page replacement

step 1: evict a page to free a physical page

step 2: load new, more important in its place

evicting a page

find a 'victim' page to evict

remove victim page from page table, etc.

- every page table it is referenced by
- every list of file pages

...

if needed, save victim page to disk

page replacement goals

hit rate: minimize number of misses

throughput: minimize overhead/maximize performance

fairness: every process/user gets its 'share' of memory

will start with optimizing **hit rate**

max hit rate \approx max throughput

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cache miss costs are variable

- creating zero page versus reading data from slow disk?

- write back dirty page before reading a new one or not?

- reading multiple pages at a time from disk (faster per page read)?

- ...

being proactive?

can avoid misses by “reading ahead”

guess what's needed — read in ahead of time

wrong guesses can have costs besides more cache misses

we will get back to this later

for now — only access/evict on demand

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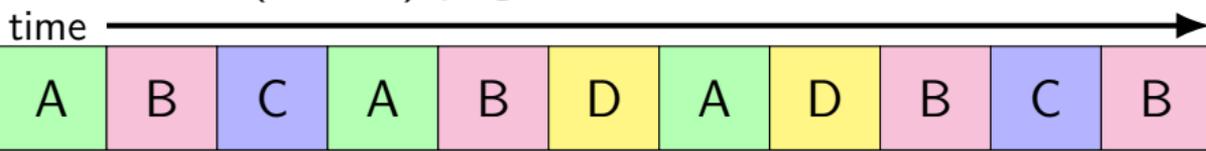
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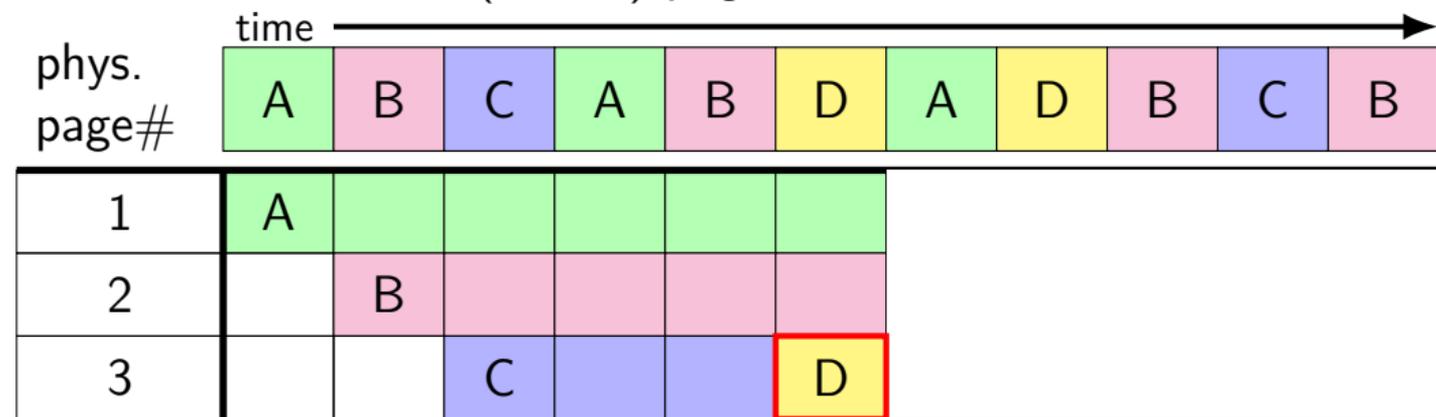
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2		B				
3			C			

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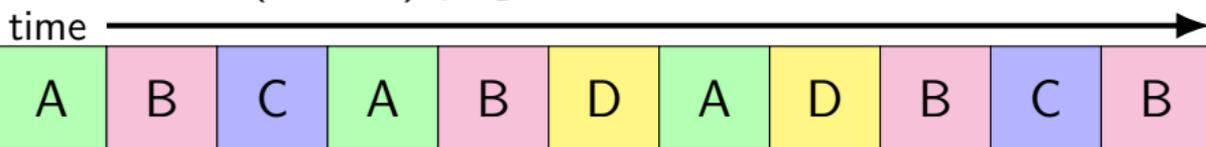
referenced (virtual) pages:



A next accessed in 1 time unit
B next accessed in 3 time units
C next accessed in 4 time units
choose to replace C

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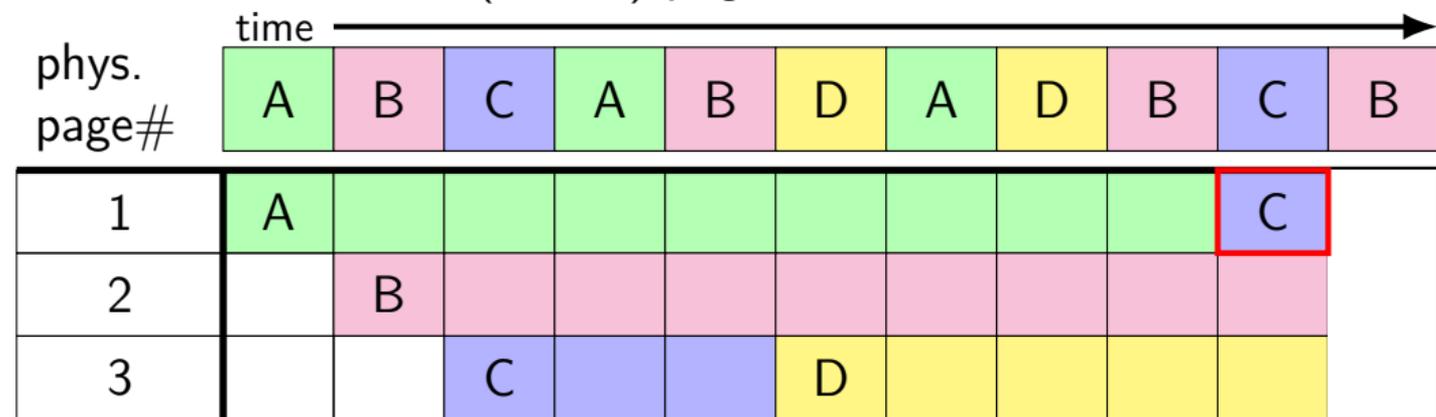
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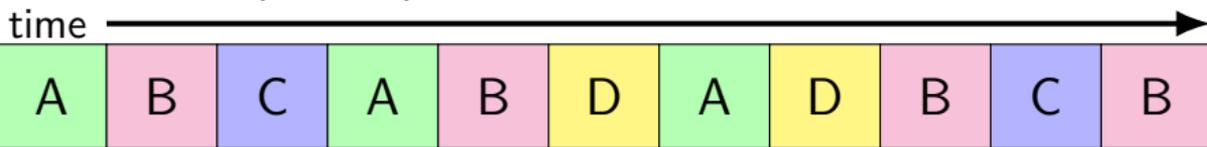
B next accessed in 1 time units

D next accessed in ∞ time units

choose to replace A or D (equally good)

Belady's MIN

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predicting the future?

can't really...

look for **common patterns**

the working set model

one common pattern: **working sets**

at any time, program is using a **subset of its memory**

- set of running functions

- their local variables, (parts of) global data structure

subset called its *working set*

rest of memory is inactive

cache size versus miss rate

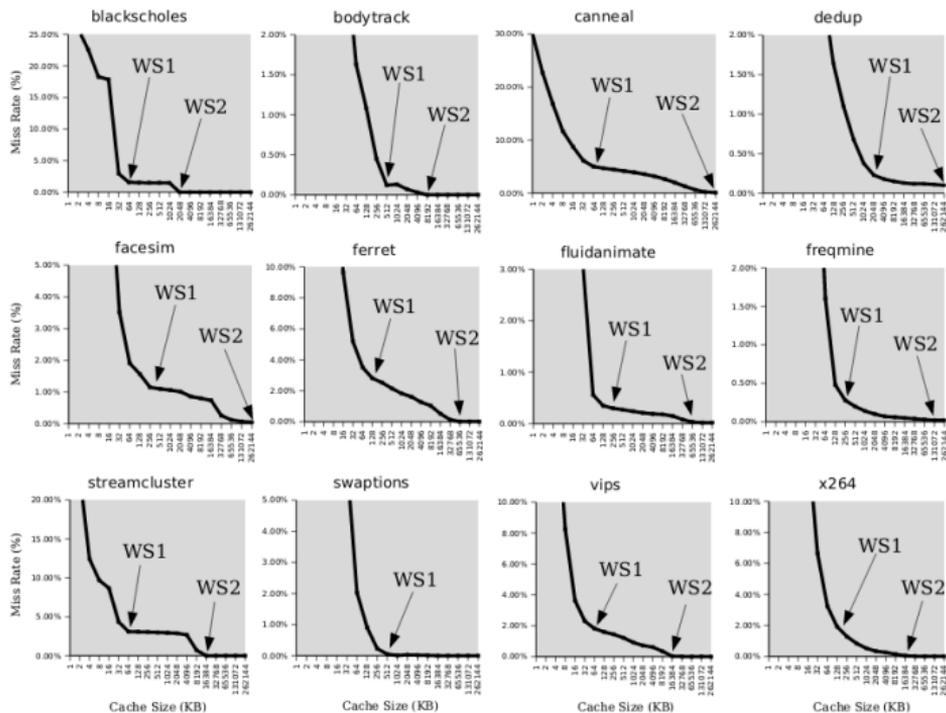


Figure 3: Miss rates versus cache size. Data assumes a shared 4-way associative cache with 64 byte lines. WS1 and WS2 refer to important working sets which we analyze in more detail in Table 2. Cache requirements of PARSEC benchmark programs can reach hundreds of megabytes.

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replacement policy: identify working sets (how?)

replace anything that's not in it

working set model and phases

what happens when a program changes what it's doing?

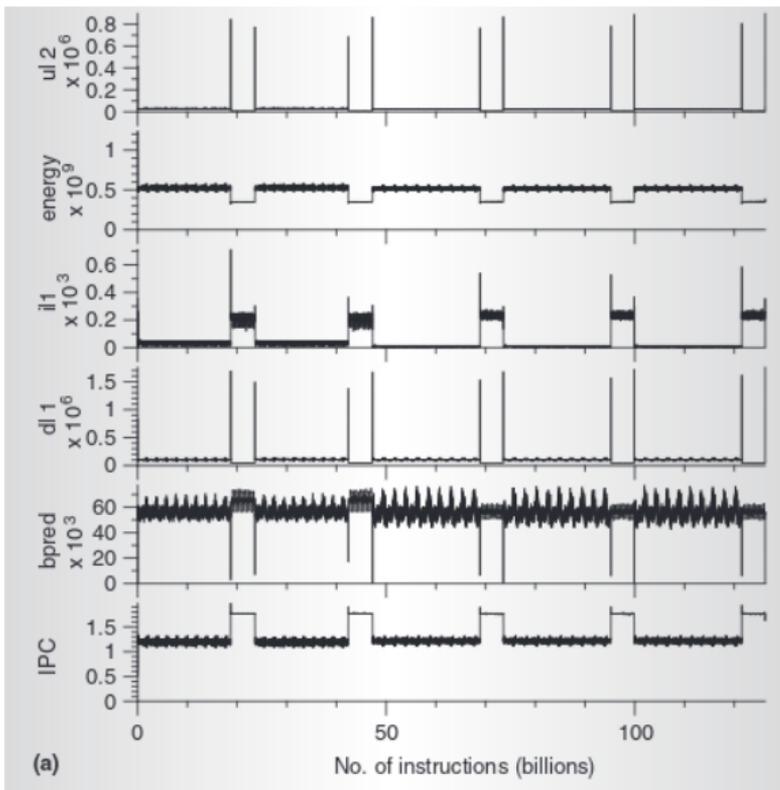
e.g. finish parsing input, now process it

phase change — discard one working set, give another

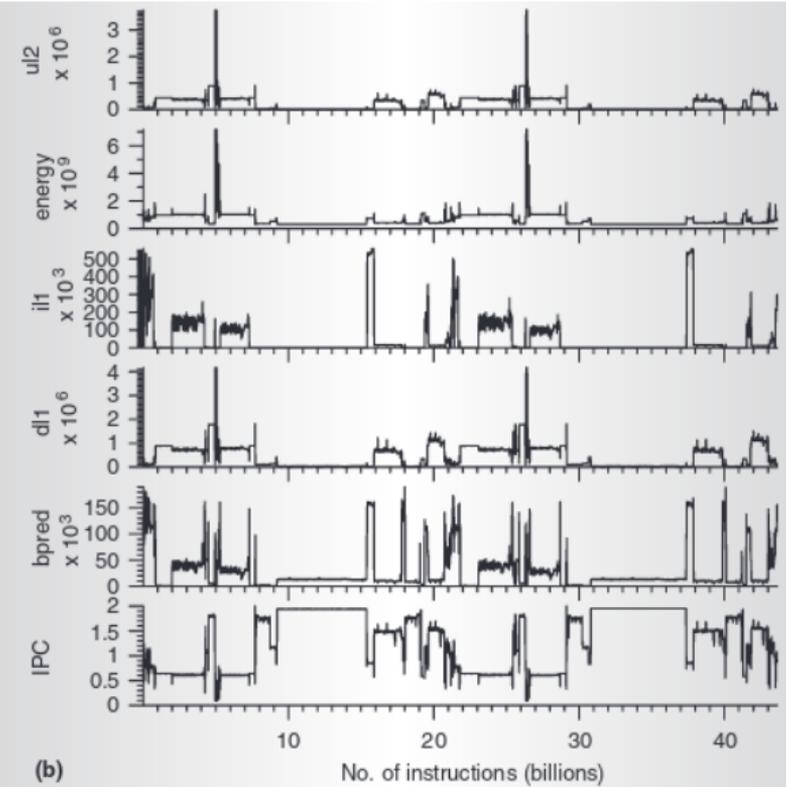
phase changes likely to have spike of cache misses

whatever was cached, not what's being accessed anymore
maybe along with change in kind of instructions being run

evidence of phases (gzip)



evidence of phases (gcc)



estimating working sets

working set \approx what's been used recently
assuming not in phase change...

so, what a program recently used \approx working set

can use this idea to estimate working set (from list of memory accesses)

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allocating new memory: **take from least recently used memory**

= not in a working set

what most current OS try to do

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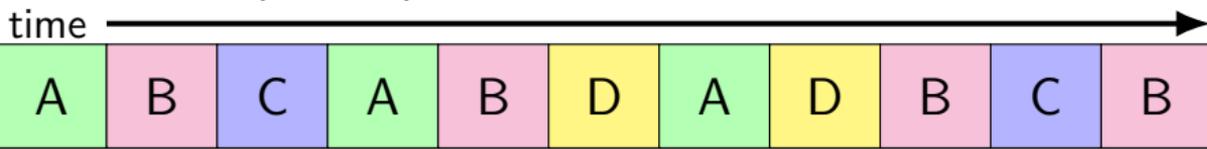
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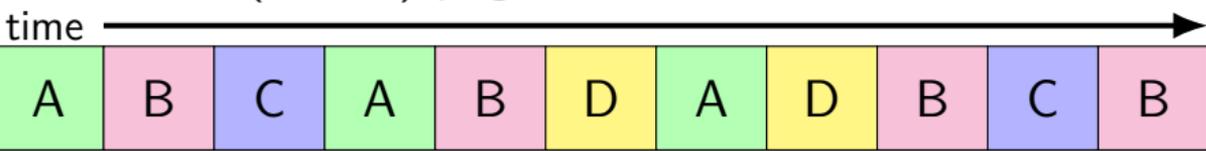


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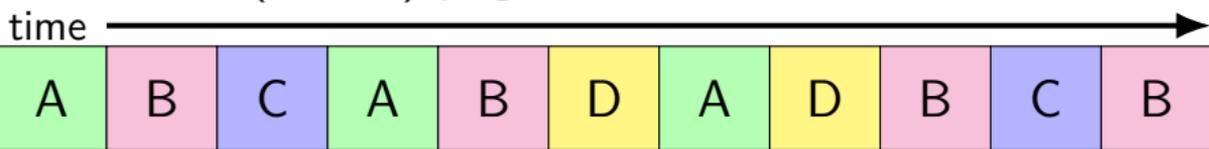


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2		B									
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A *last* accessed 2 time units ago
B *last* accessed 1 time unit ago
C *last* accessed 3 time units ago
choose to replace C

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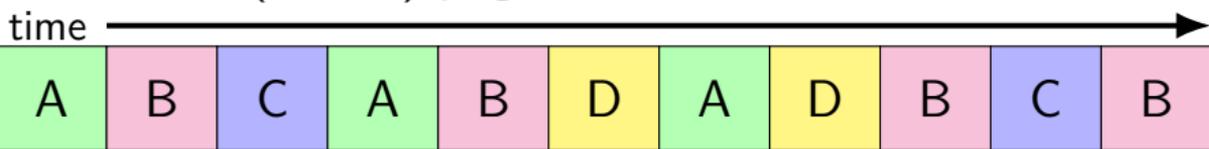
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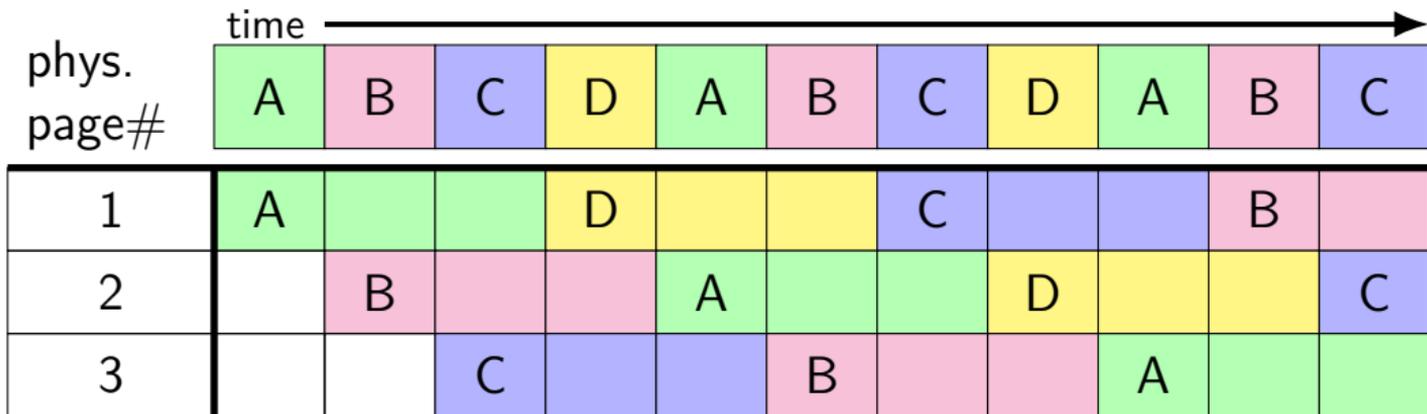
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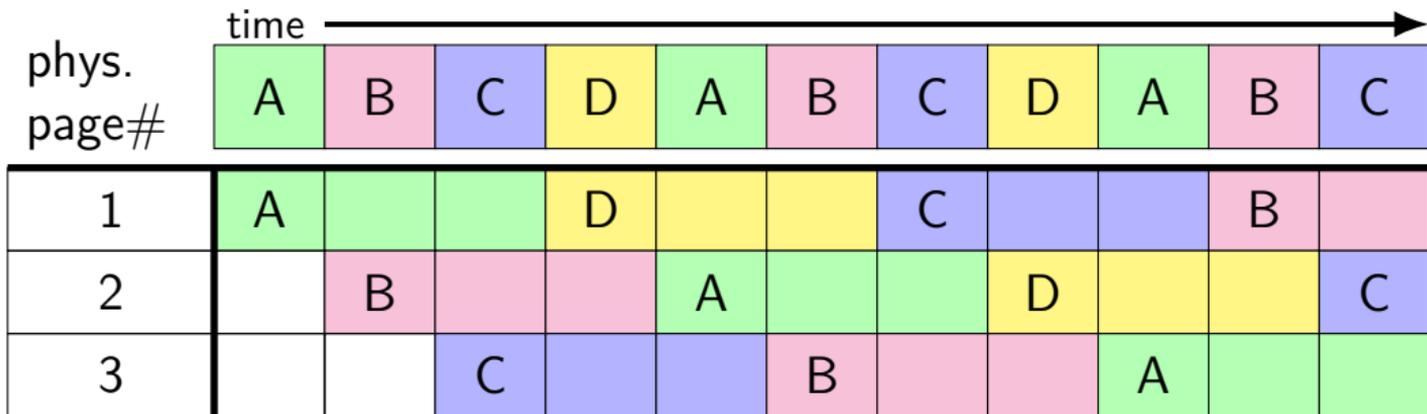
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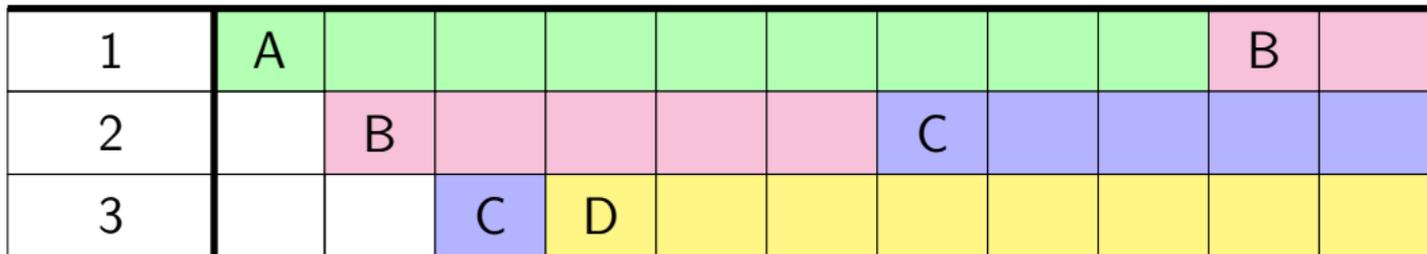


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8 replacements with LRU

versus 3 replacements with MIN:



least recently used (exercise)



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3											

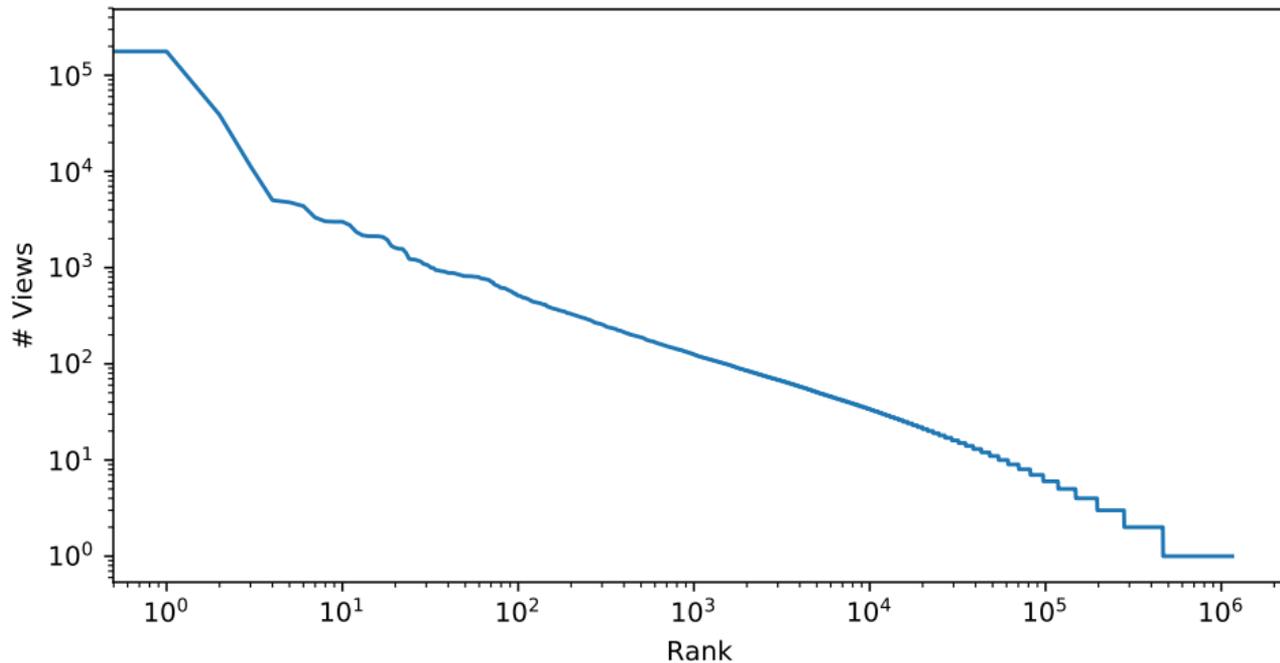
aside: Zipf model

working set model makes sense for **programs**

but not the only use of caches

example: Wikipedia — most popular articles

Wikipedia page views for 1 hour



NOTE: log-log-scale

Zipf distribution

Zipf distribution: straight line on log-log graph of rank v. count

a few items a **much** more popular than others

most caching benefit here

long tail: lots of items accessed a very small number of times

more cache less efficient — but does something

not like working set model, where there's just not more

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LRU is okay — popular things always recently used

seems to be what Wikipedia's caches do?

alternative policies for Zipf

least frequently used

very simple policy

if pure Zipf distribution — what you want

practical problem: what about changes in popularity?

least frequently used + adjustments for 'recentness'

more?

pure LRU implementation

implementing LRU in software

maintain doubly-linked list of all physical pages

whenever a page is accessed:

- remove page from linked list, then
- add page to head of list

whenever a page needs to be replaced:

- remove a page from the tail of the linked list, then
- evict that page from all page tables (and anything else)
- and use that page for whatever needs to be loaded

pure LRU implementation

implementing LRU in software

maintain doubly-linked list of all physical pages

whenever a page is accessed:

remove page from linked list, then

add it to the front of the list

mechanism: make every access page fault

which will make everything really slow

whenever

removing

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okay, so I took something really slow and made it slower

so, what's practical

probably won't implement LRU — too slow

what can we practically do?

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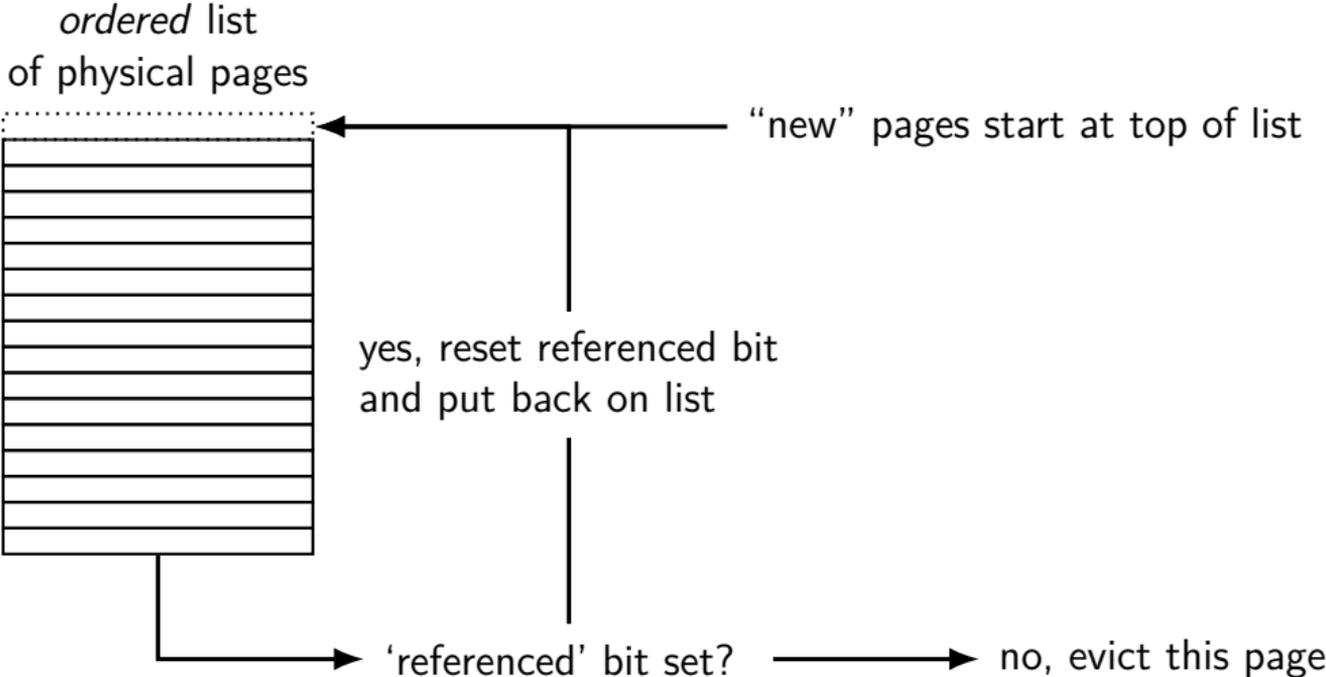
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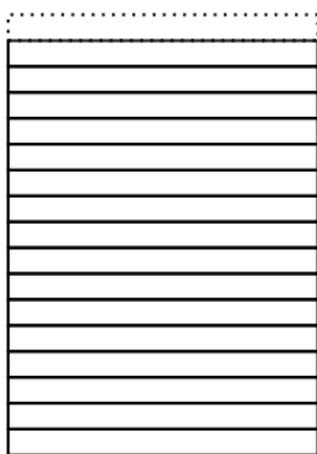
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ordered list
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“new” pages start at top of list

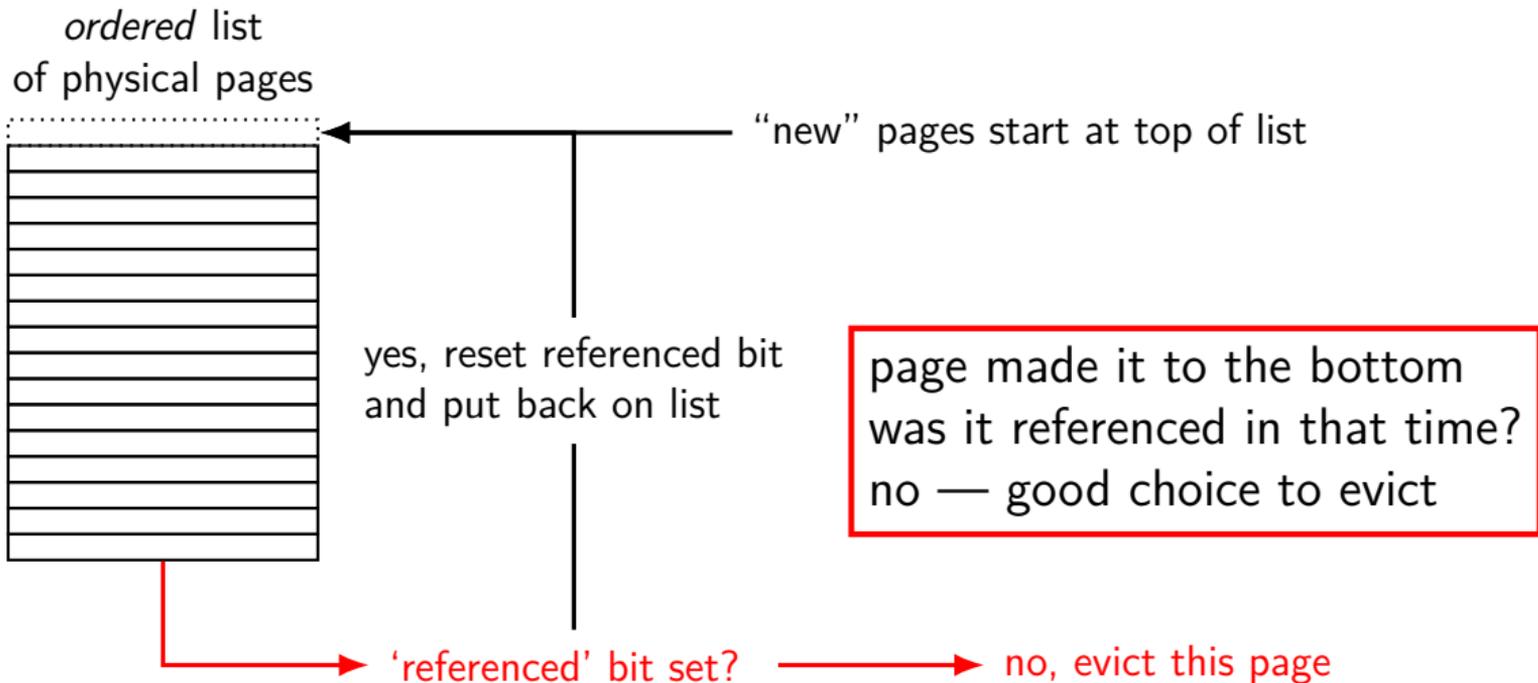
yes, reset referenced bit
and put back on list

page made it to the bottom
was it referenced in that time?
yes — give a second chance

‘referenced’ bit set?

no, evict this page

approximating LRU: second chance



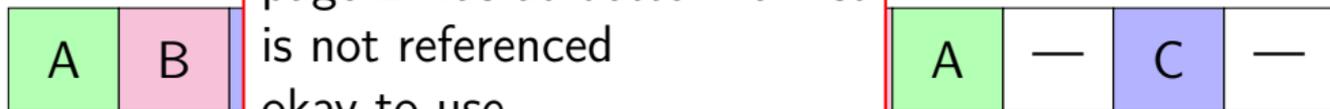
second chance example

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page list												
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end of list	2NR	3NR	1R	2R	3R	1NR	2NR	*2R	3NR	1R	2NR	3R

second chance example

page 2 was at bottom of list
is not referenced
okay to use



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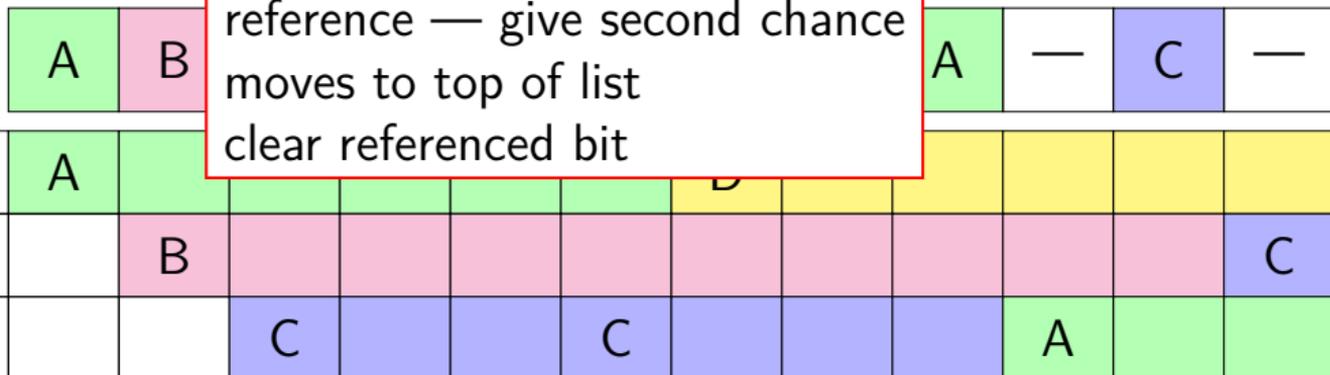
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page 1 was at bottom of list
reference — give second chance
moves to top of list
clear referenced bit



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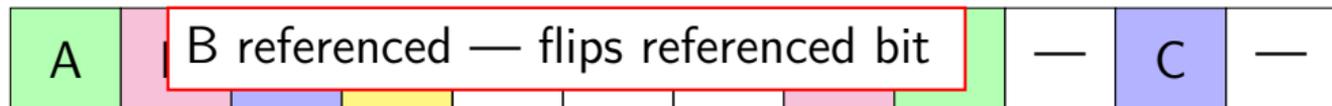
second chance example

eventually page 1 gets to bottom of list again
but now not referenced — use

C	—
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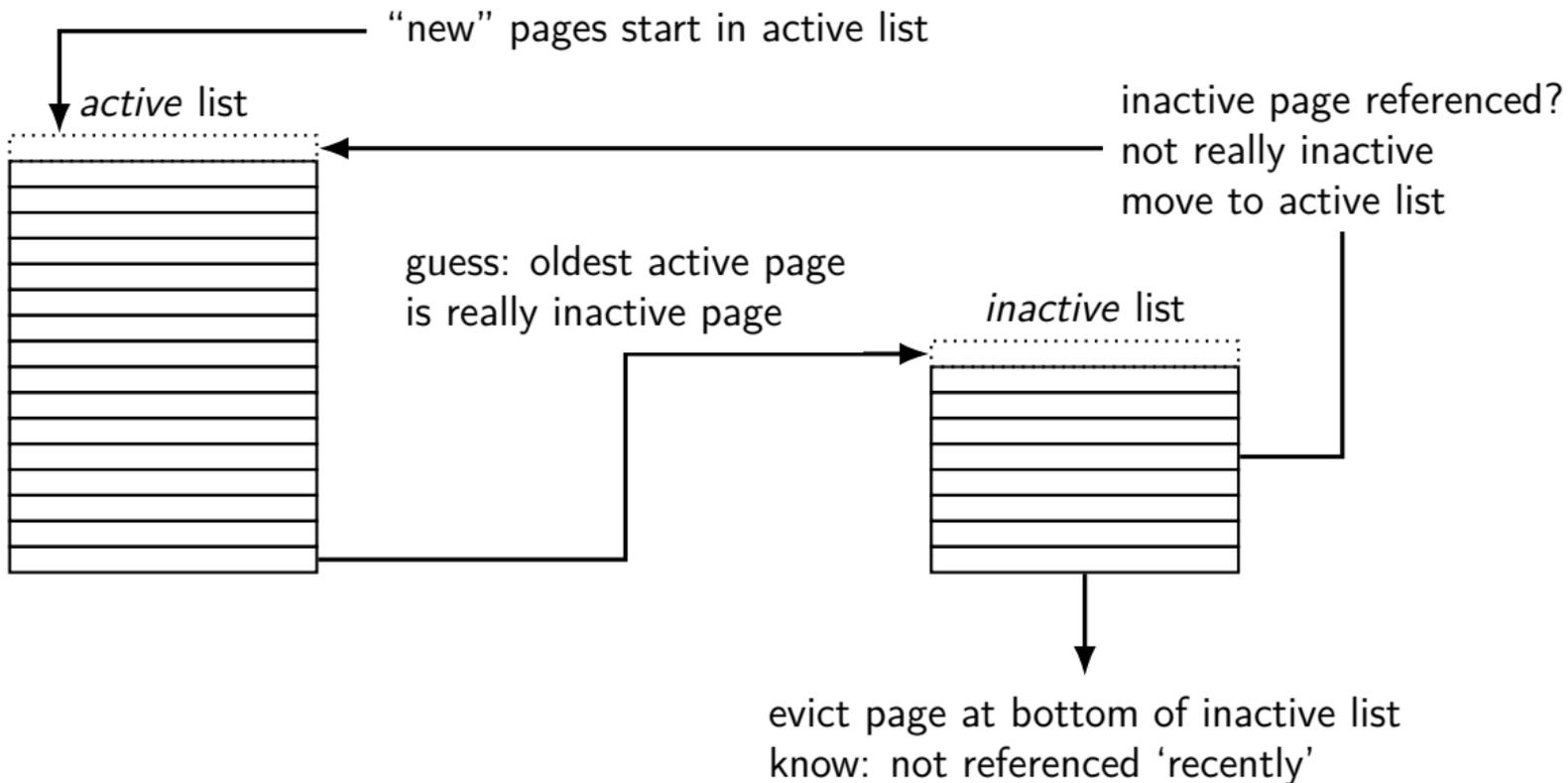
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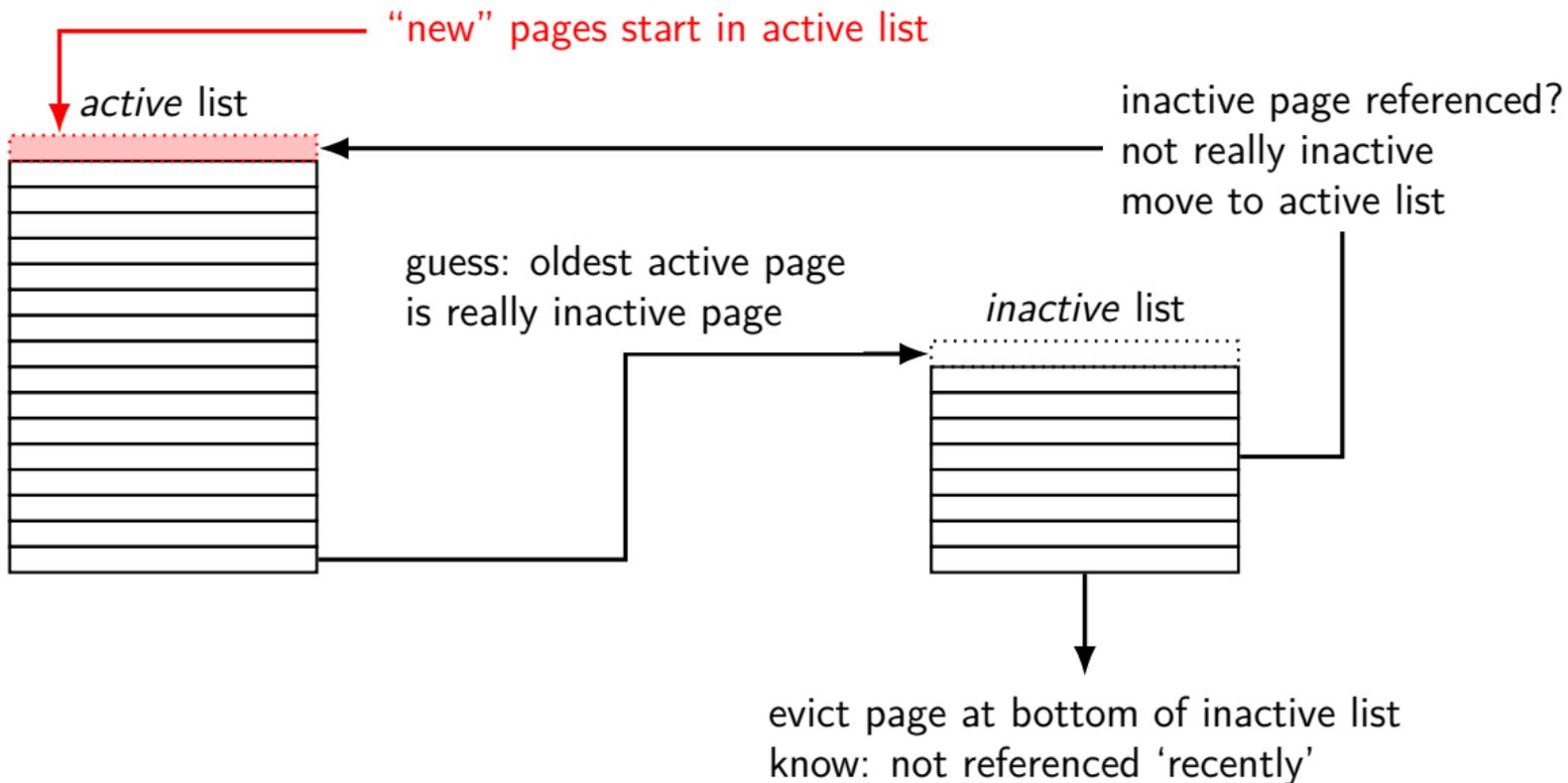
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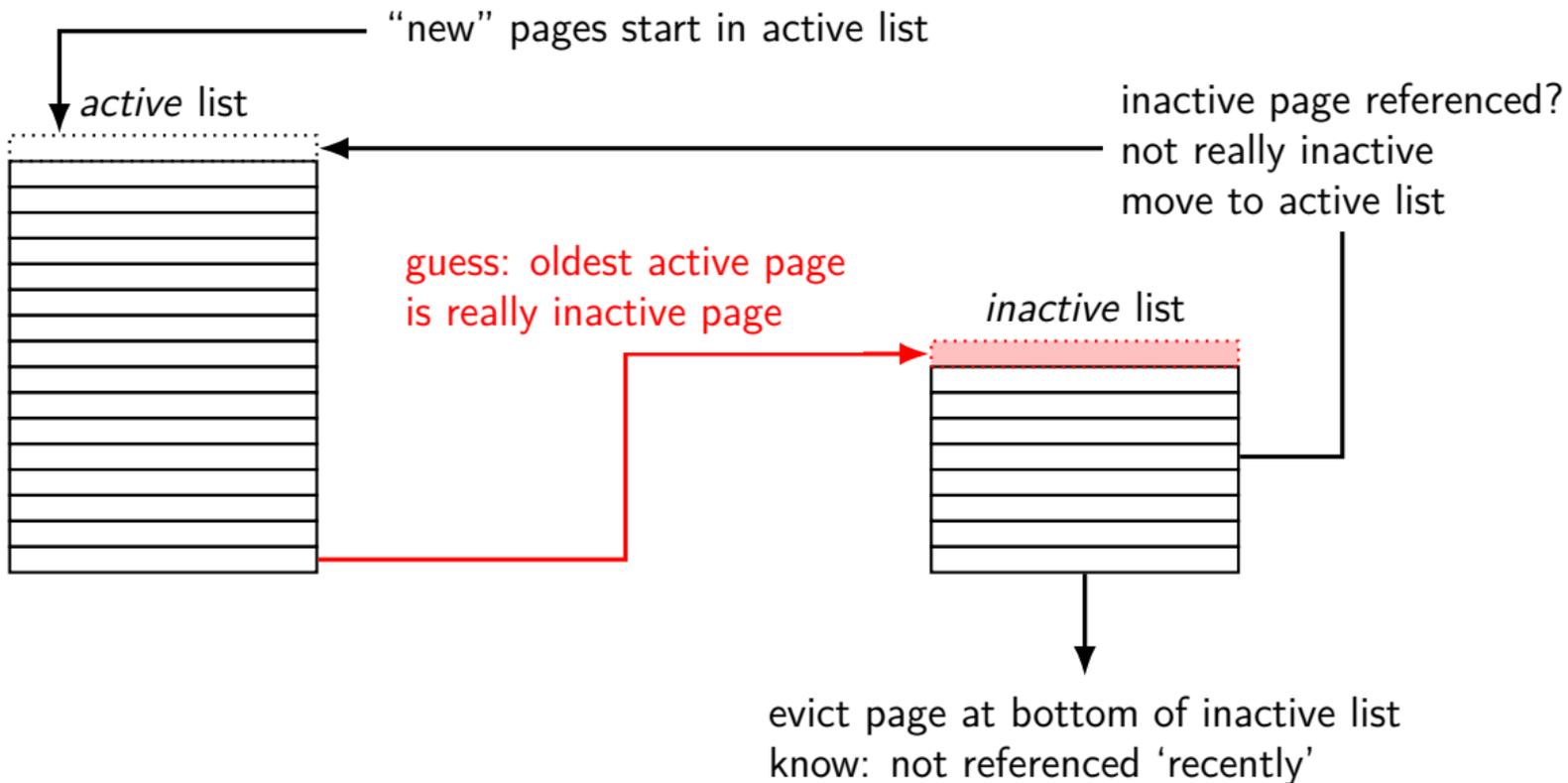
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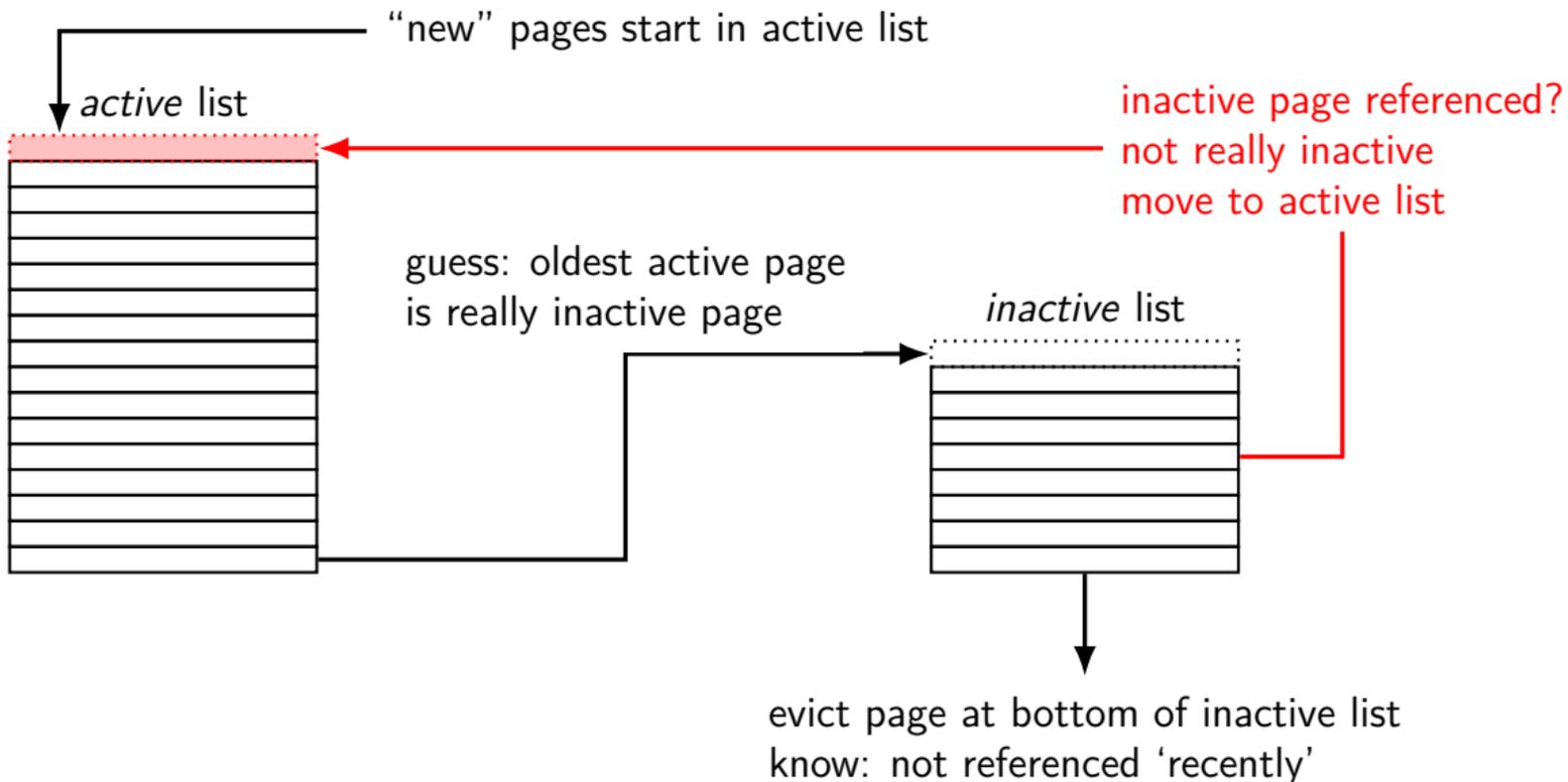
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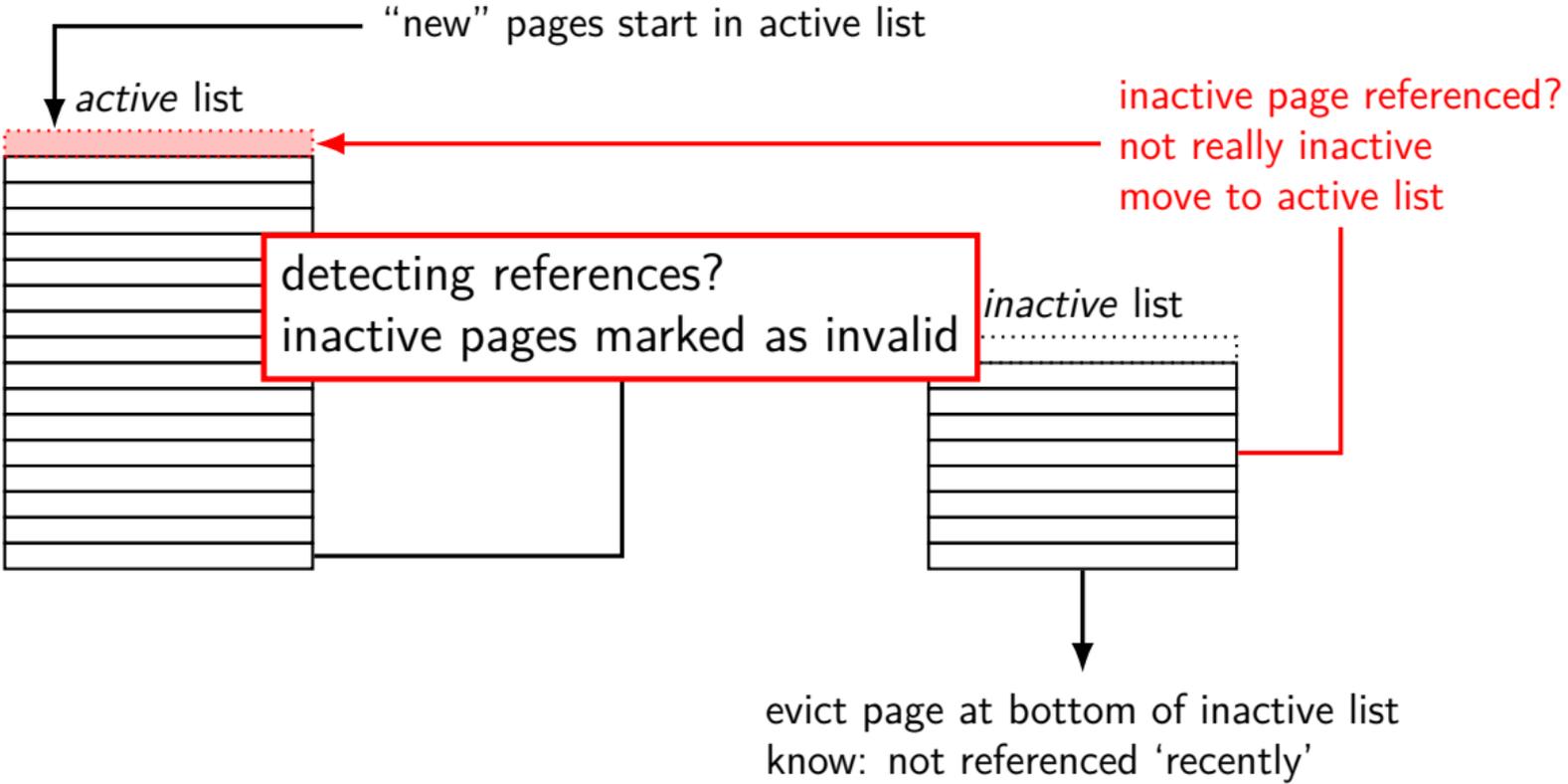
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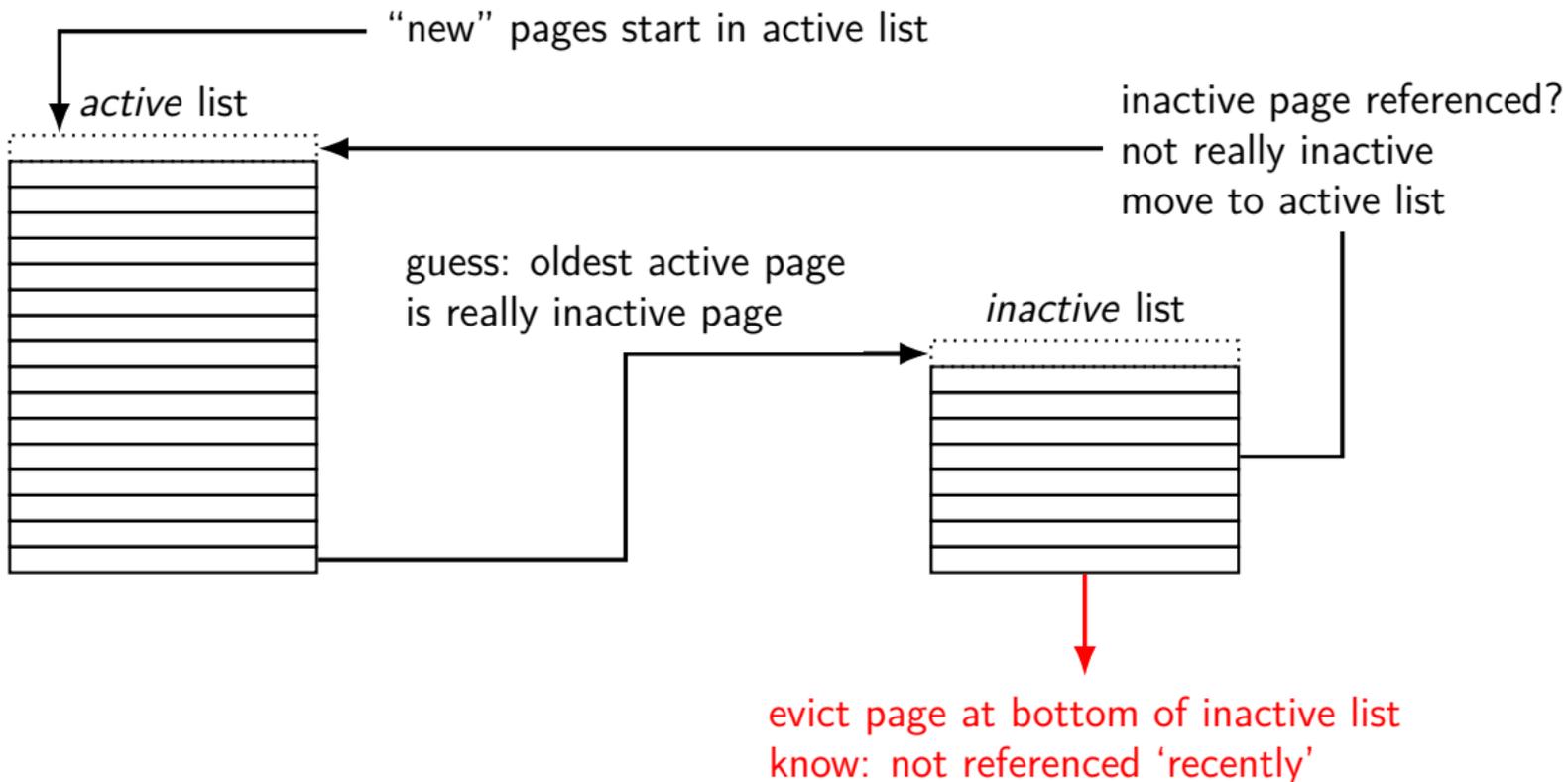
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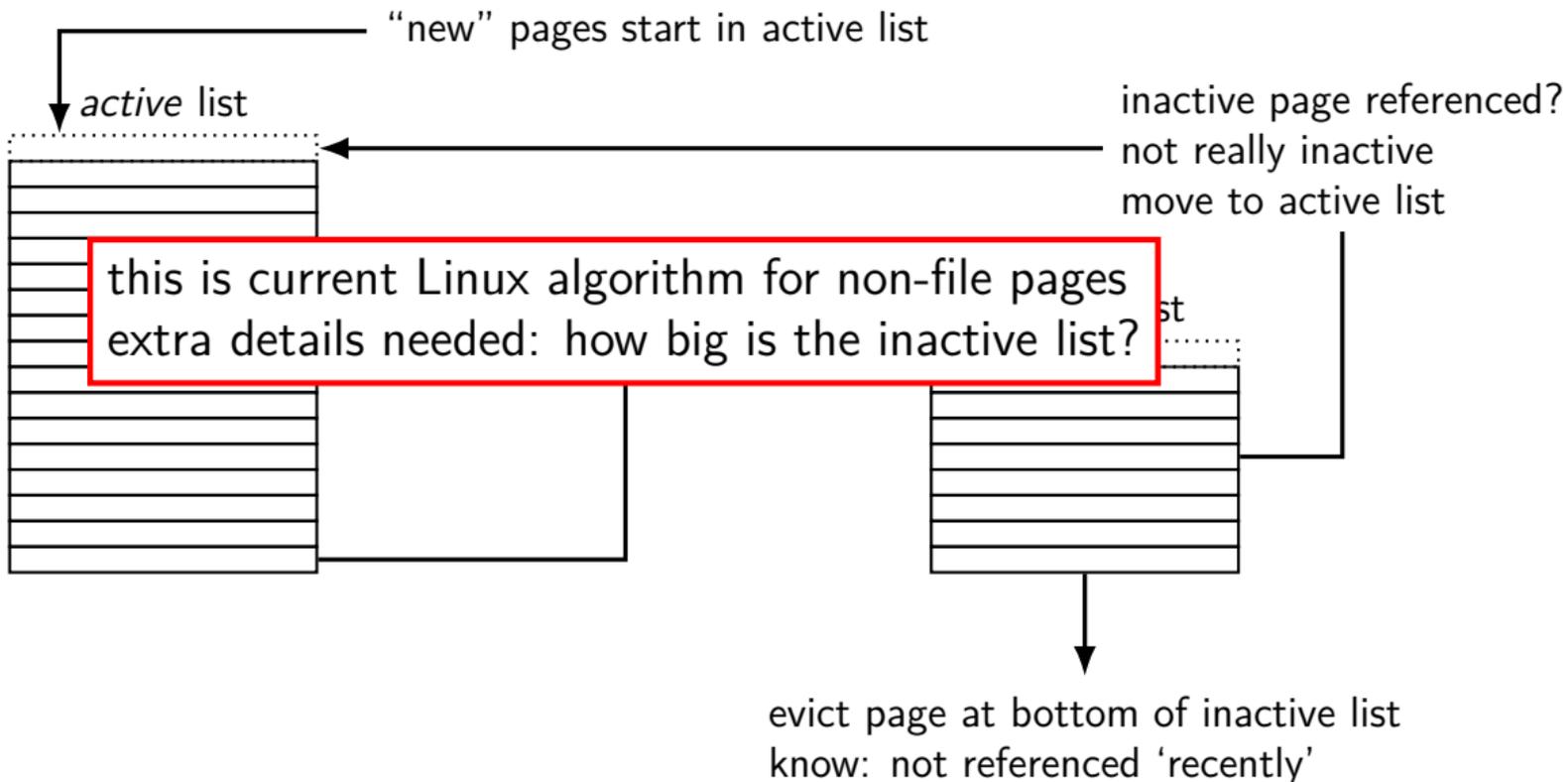
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tracking usage: CLOCK (view 1)

ordered list
of physical pages

page #4: last referenced bits: Y Y Y...
page #5: last referenced bits: N N N...
page #6: last referenced bits: N Y Y...
page #7: last referenced bits: Y N Y...
page #8: last referenced bits: Y Y N...
page #1: last referenced bits: Y Y Y...
page #2: last referenced bits: N N N...
page #3: last referenced bits: Y Y N...

periodically:

take page from bottom of list

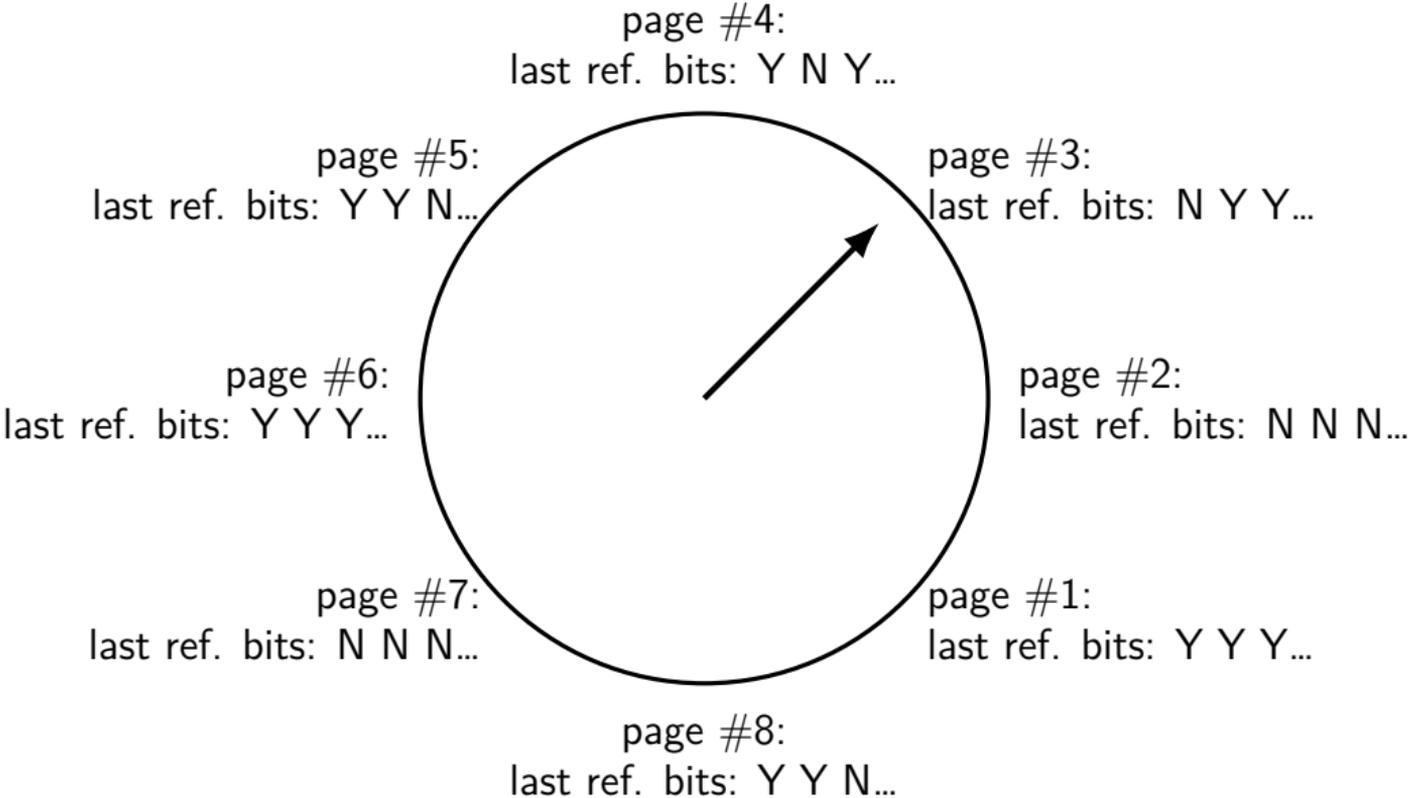
record current referenced bit

clear reference bit for next pass

add to top of list



tracking usage: CLOCK (view 2)



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but real OSes are more proactive

non-lazy writeback

what happens when a computer loses power

how much data can you lose?

if we never run out of memory...all of it?

no changed data written back

solution: scan for dirty bits periodically and writeback

non-lazy eviction

so far — allocating memory involves evicting pages

hopefully pages that haven't been used a long time anyways

could evict earlier “in the background” — means faster allocations
probably wasn't using the CPU anyways

common strategy: maintain a small number of available pages
might also make sure they start out pre-zeroed, etc.

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both common access patterns for files

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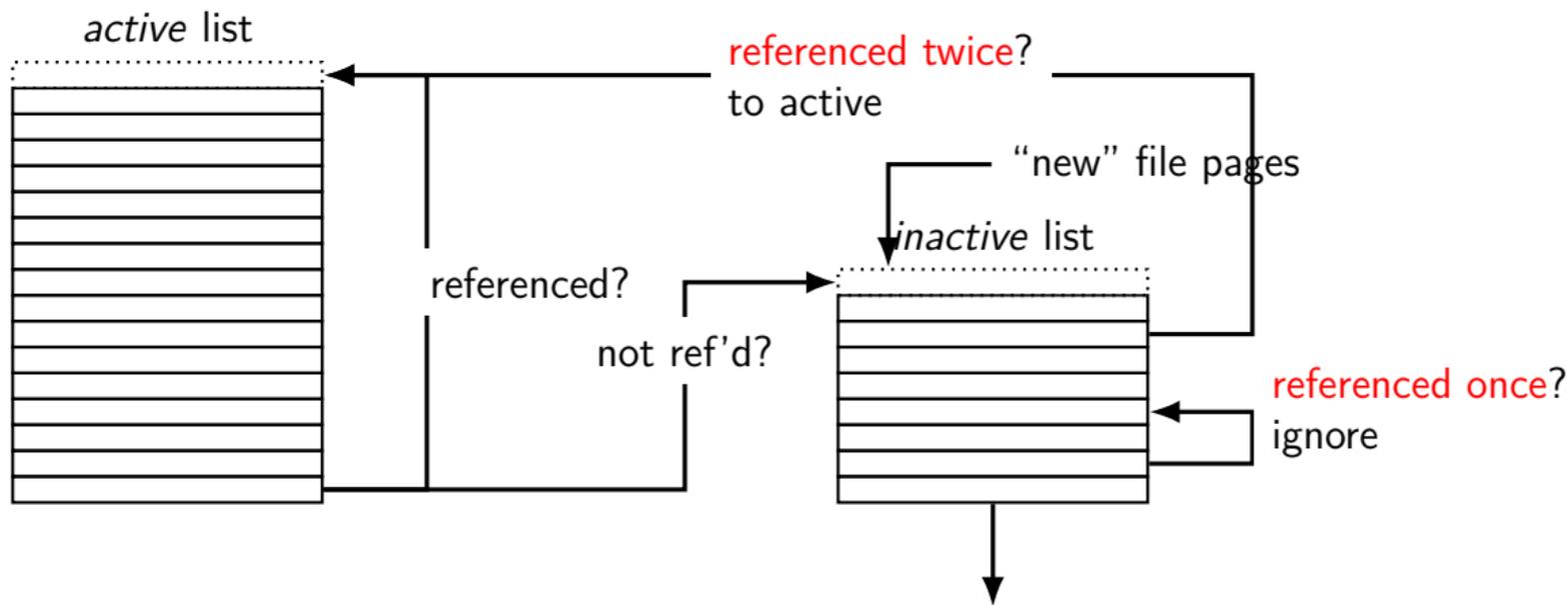
by default, Linux tries to handle these patterns for file pages

basic idea: don't consider pages active until **the second access**

single scans of file won't "pollute" cache

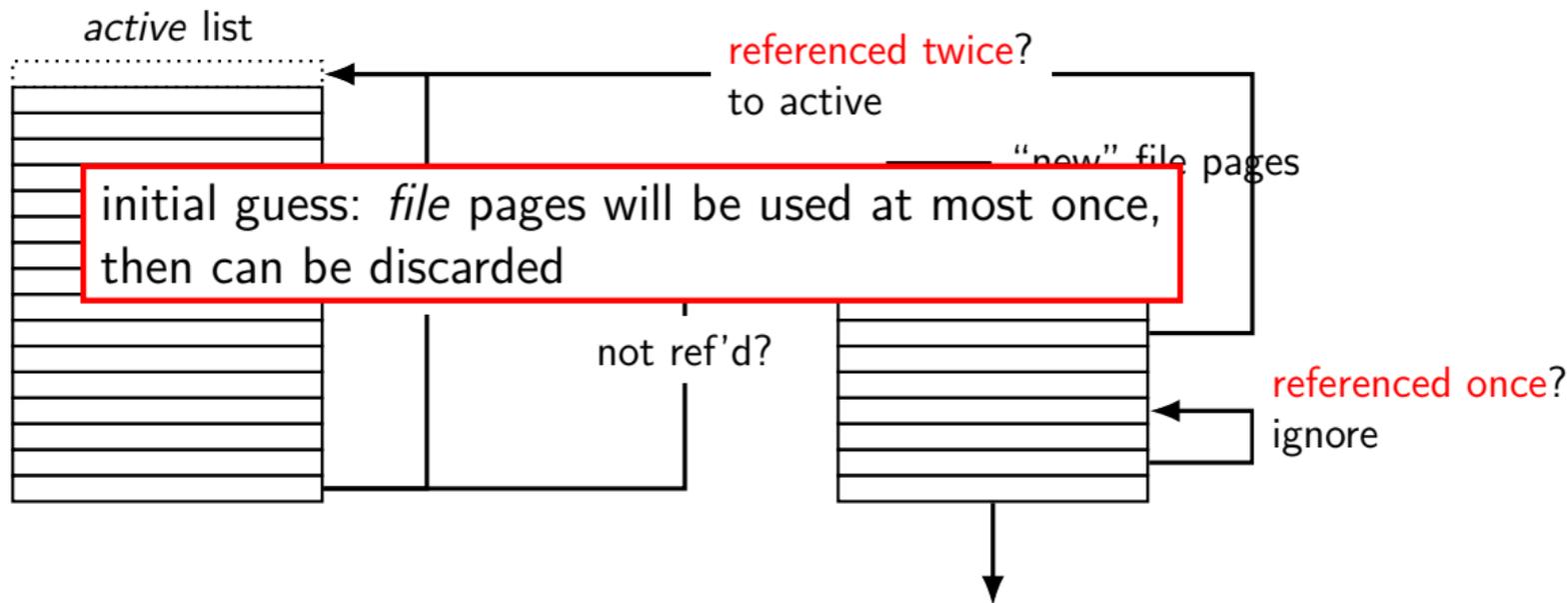
without this change: reading large files slows down other programs
recently read part of large file steals space from active programs

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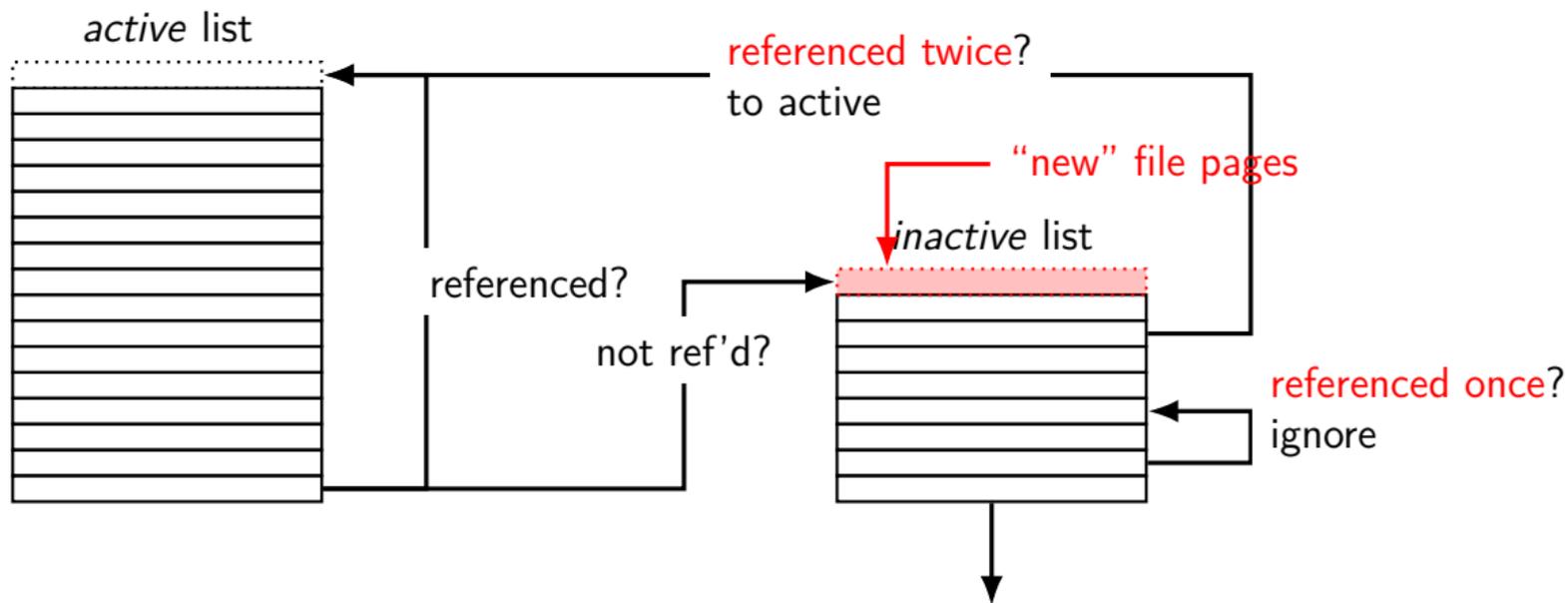
evict page at bottom of inactive list
either file page referenced once *or*
referenced multiple times, but not recently

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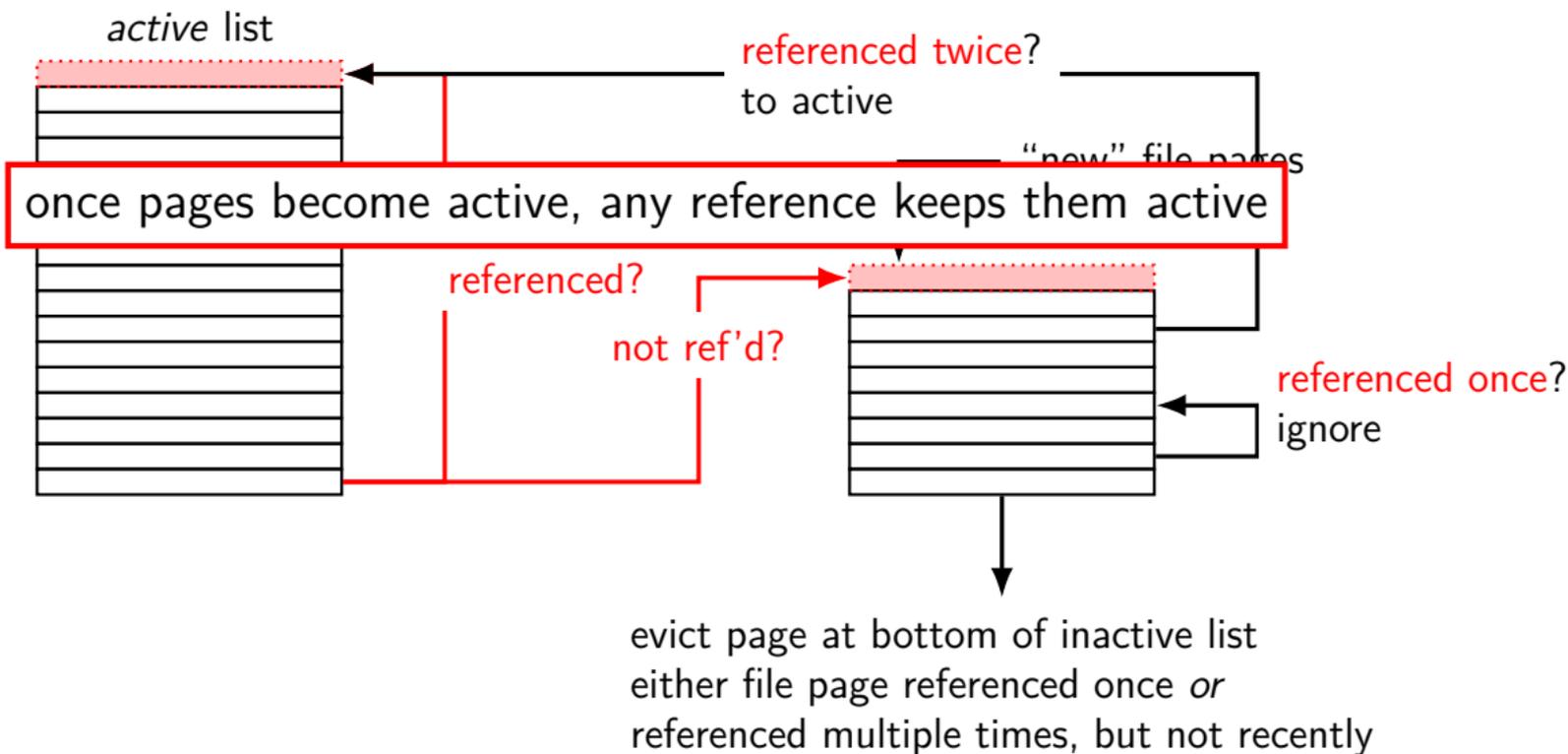
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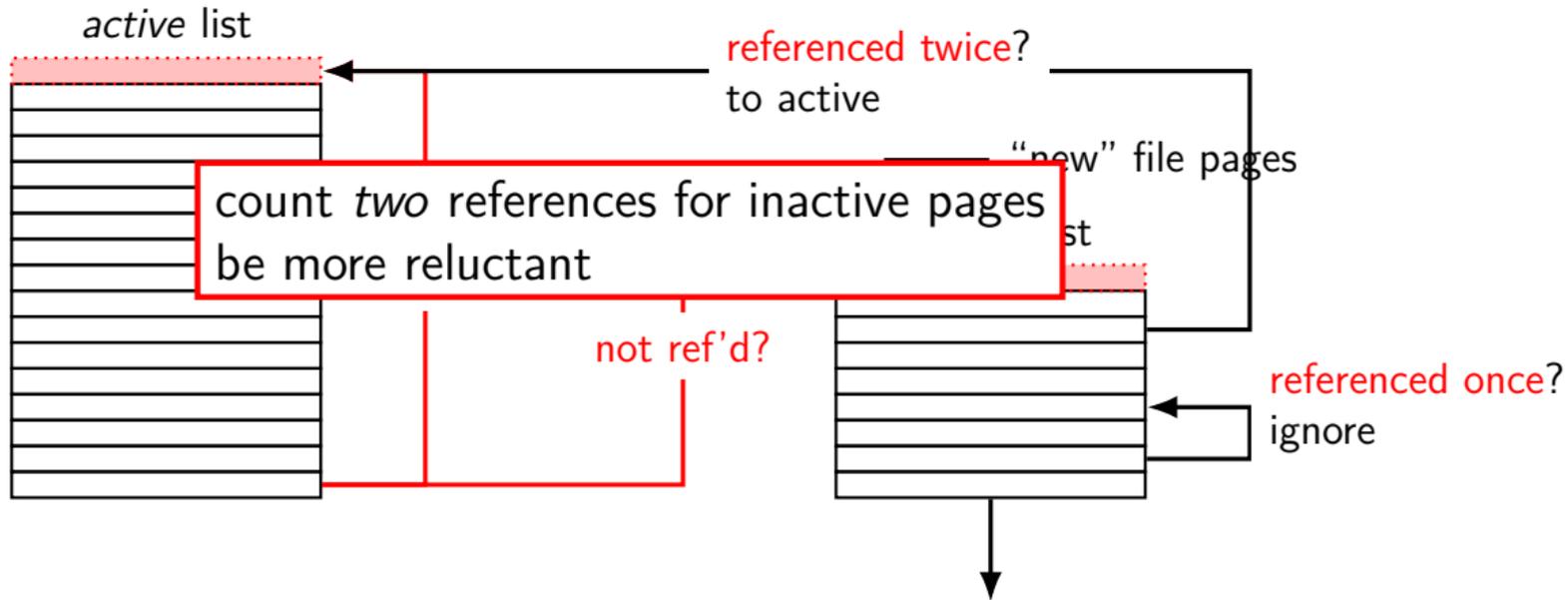


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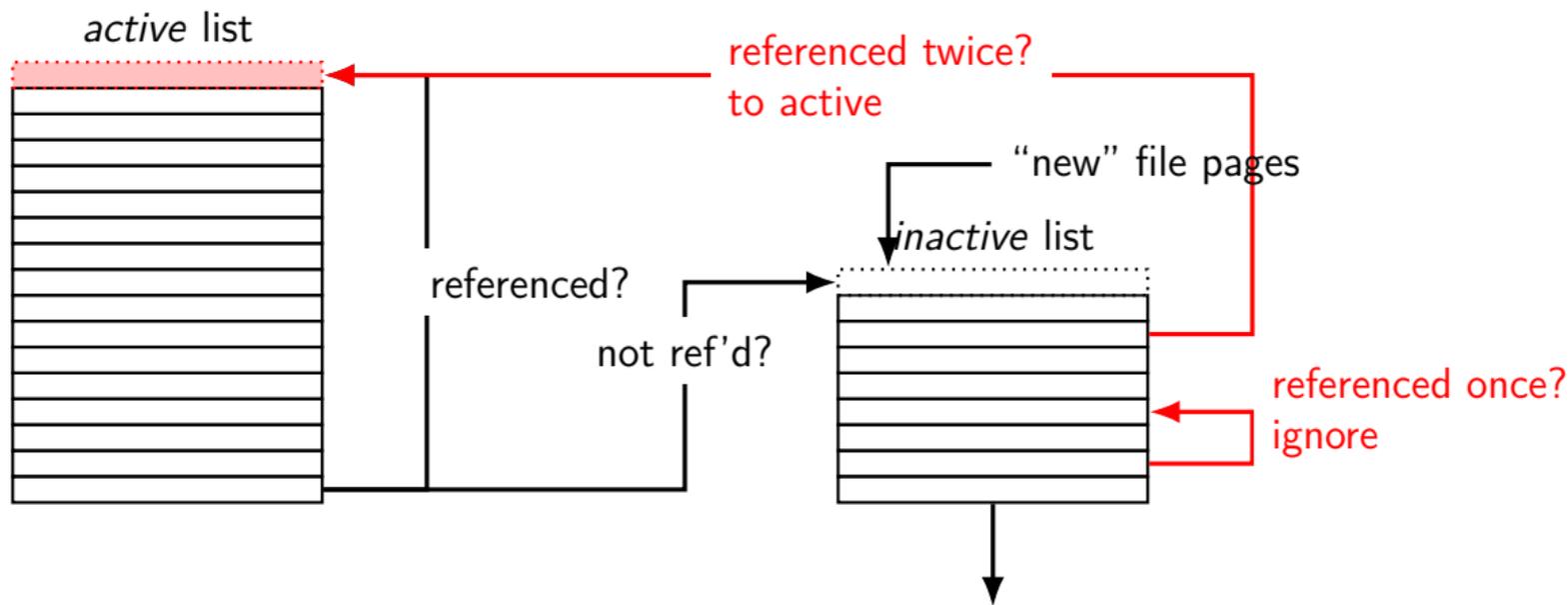


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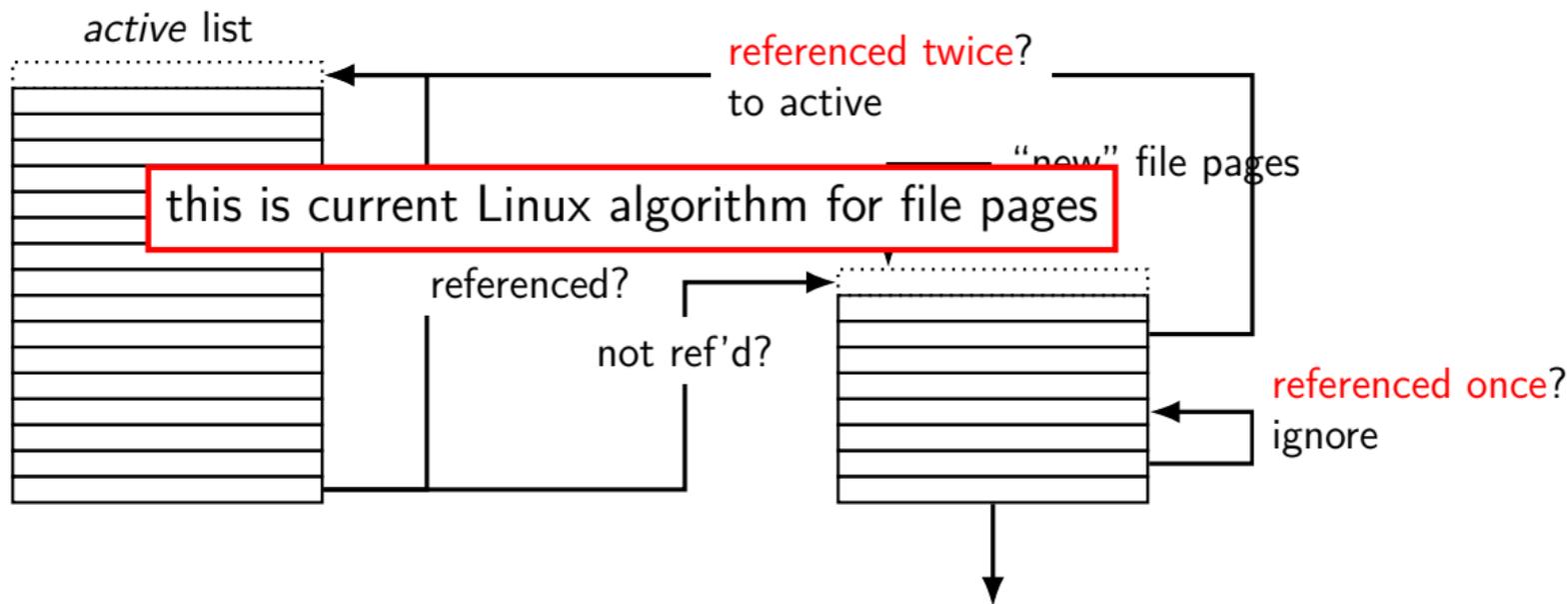
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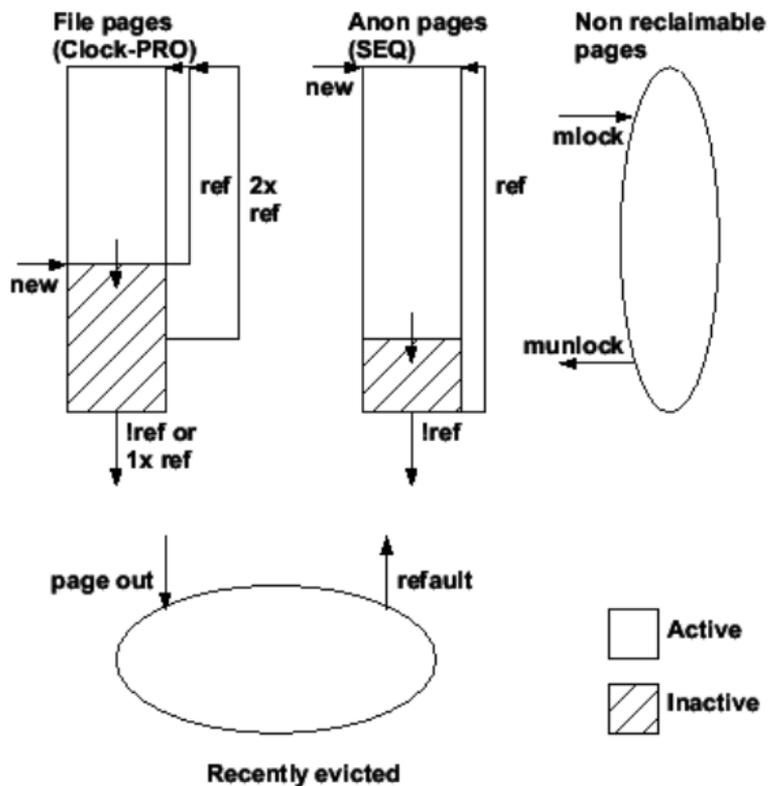
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default Linux page replacement summary



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identify *inactive* pages — guess: not going to be accessed soon

- file pages which haven't been accessed more than once, or
- any pages which haven't been accessed recently

some minimum threshold of inactive pages

- add to inactive list in background

- mark inactive pages as invalid to detect use quickly

oldest inactive page still not used → evict that one

- otherwise: give it a second chance

backup slides

swapping decisions

write policy

replacement policy

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swapping is writeback

implementing write-through is hard

- when fault happens — physical page not written

- when OS resumes process — no chance to forward write

- HW itself doesn't know how to write to disk

write-through would also be really slow

- HDD/SSD perform best if one writes **at least a whole page** at a time

implementing writeback

need a *dirty bit* per page (“was page modified”)

x86: **kept in the page table!**

option 1 (most common): **hardware sets dirty bit** in page table entry (on write)

bit means “physical page was modified using this PTE”

option 2: OS sets page read-only, flips read-only+dirty bit on fault

swapping decisions

write policy

replacement policy

replacement policies really matter

huge cost for “miss” on swapping (milliseconds!)

replacement policy implemented **in software**

a lot more room for fancy policies

usually goal: least-recently-used approximation

LRU replacement?

problem: need to identify when pages are used

ideally **every single time**

not practical to do this exactly

HW would need to keep a list of when each page was accessed, or

SW would need to force every access to trigger a fault

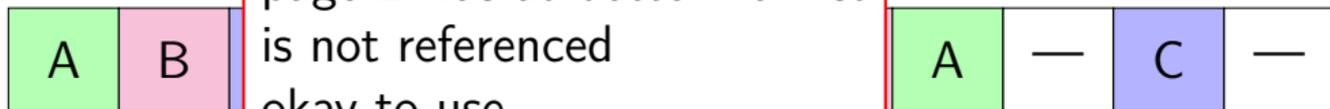
second chance example



1	A						D					
2		B										C
3			C			C				A		
page list												
last added	*1R	*2R	*3R	1NR	2NR	3NR	*1R	1R	2NR	*3R	1NR	*2R
—	3NR	1R	2R	3R	1NR	2NR	3NR	3NR	1R	2NR	3R	1NR
end of list	2NR	3NR	1R	2R	3R	1NR	2NR	*2R	3NR	1R	2NR	3R

second chance example

page 2 was at bottom of list
is not referenced
okay to use



1	A						D					
2		B										C
3			C			C				A		
page list												
last added	*1R	*2R	*3R	1NR	2NR	3NR	*1R	1R	2NR	*3R	1NR	*2R
—	3NR	1R	2R	3R	1NR	2NR	3NR	3NR	1R	2NR	3R	1NR
end of list	2NR	3NR	1R	2R	3R	1NR	2NR	*2R	3NR	1R	2NR	3R

second chance example



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page list												
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end of list	2NR	3NR	1R	2R	3R	1NR	2NR	*2R	3NR	1R	2NR	3R

second chance example

page 1 was at bottom of list
 reference — give second chance
 moves to top of list
 clear referenced bit

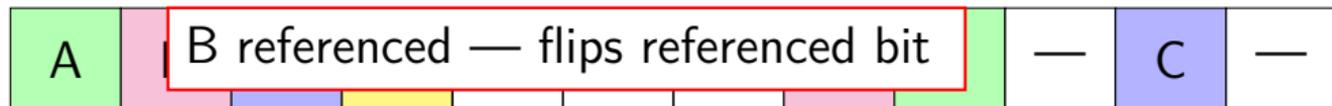
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1	A												
2		B											C
3			C			C					A		
page list													
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second chance example

eventually page 1 gets to bottom of list again
but now not referenced — use

1	A						D					
2		B										C
3			C			C				A		
page list												
last added	*1R	*2R	*3R	1NR	2NR	3NR	*1R	1R	2NR	*3R	1NR	*2R
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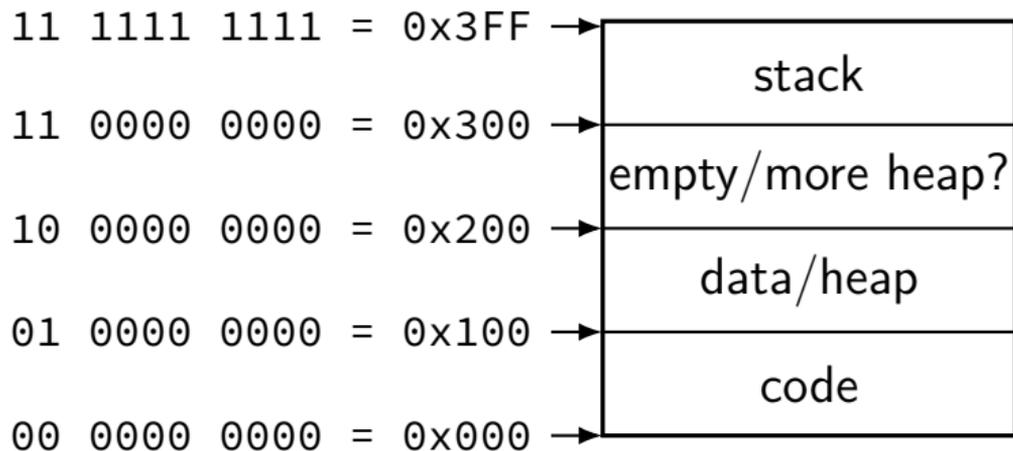
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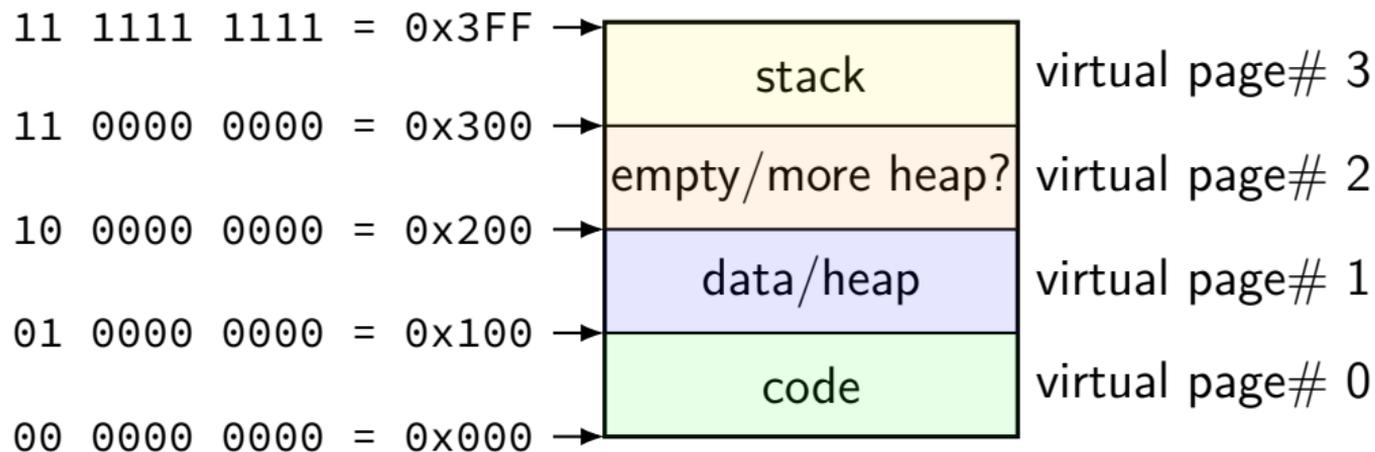


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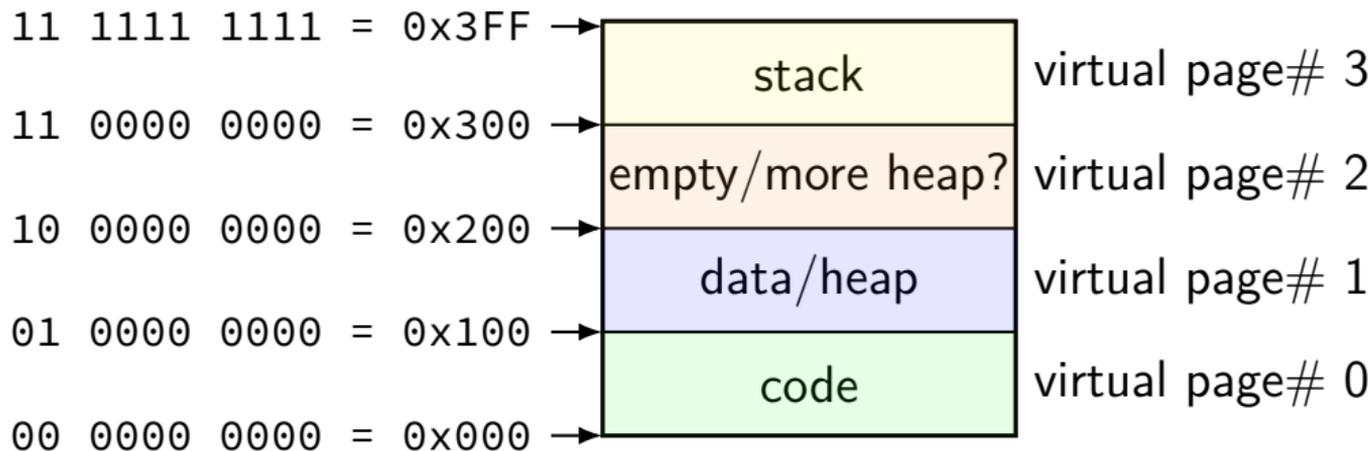
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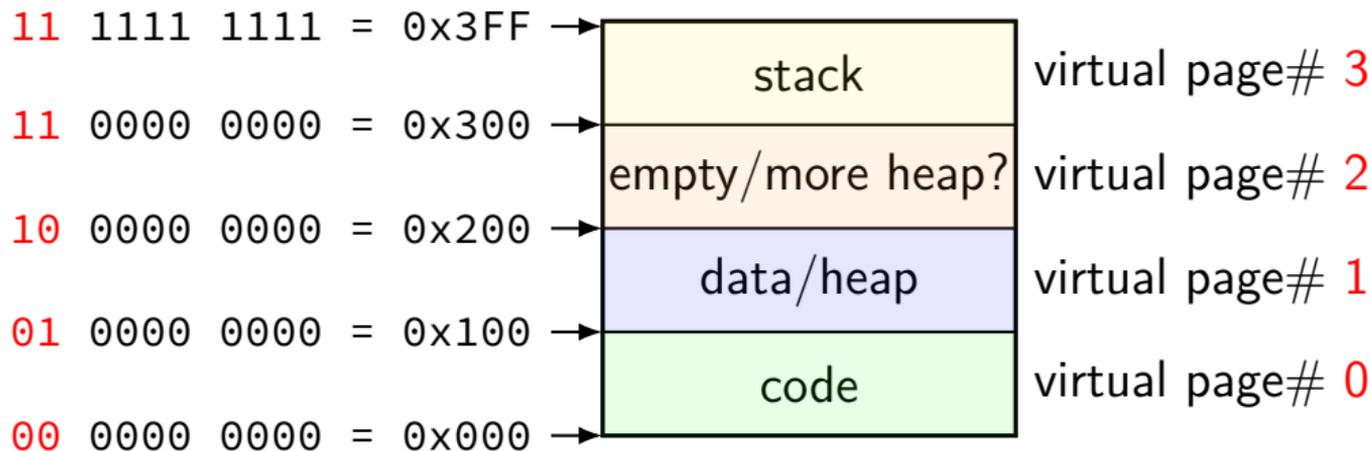


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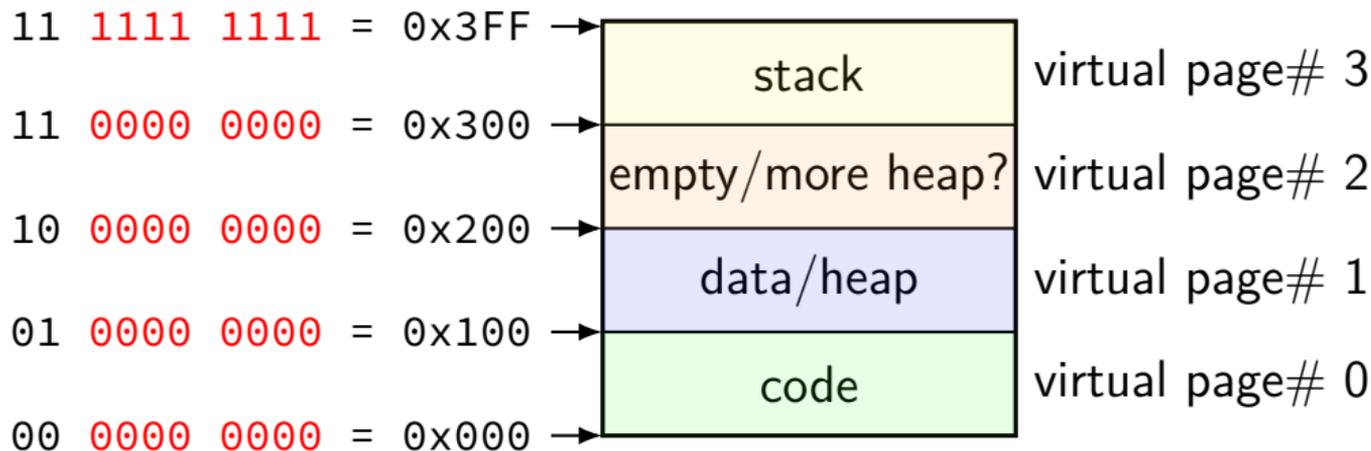
divide memory into **pages** (2^8 bytes in this case)
“virtual” = addresses the program sees

toy program memory



page number is upper bits of address
(because page size is power of two)

toy program memory



rest of address is called **page offset**

toy physical memory

program memory
virtual addresses

11 0000 0000 to 11 1111 1111
10 0000 0000 to 10 1111 1111
01 0000 0000 to 01 1111 1111
00 0000 0000 to 00 1111 1111

real memory
physical addresses

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001 0000 0000 to 001 1111 1111
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physical page 7

physical page 1

physical page 0

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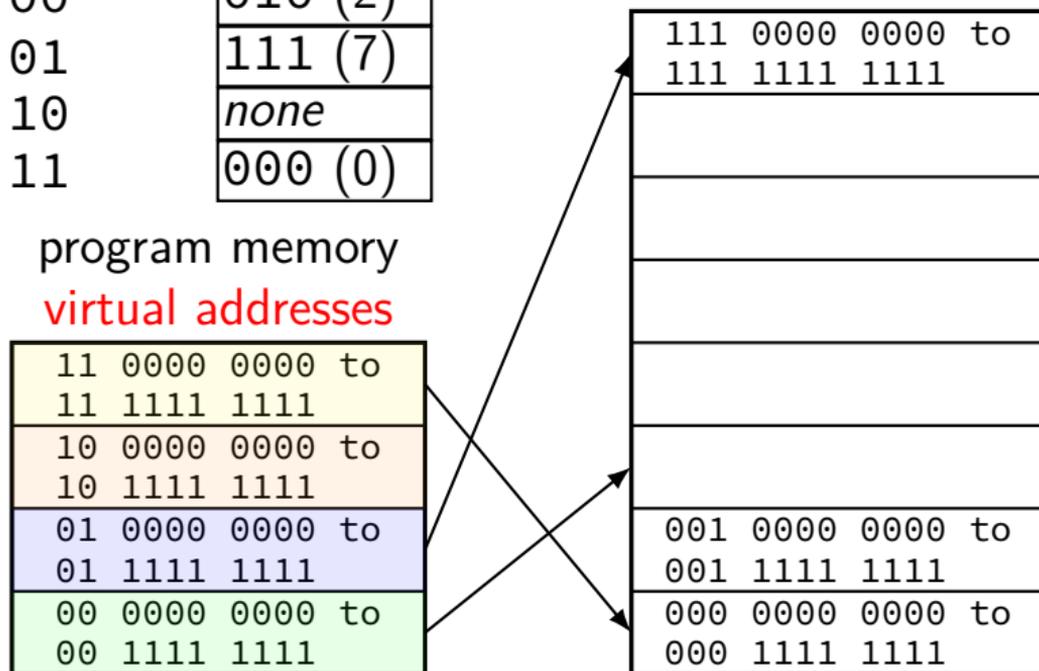
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page table!

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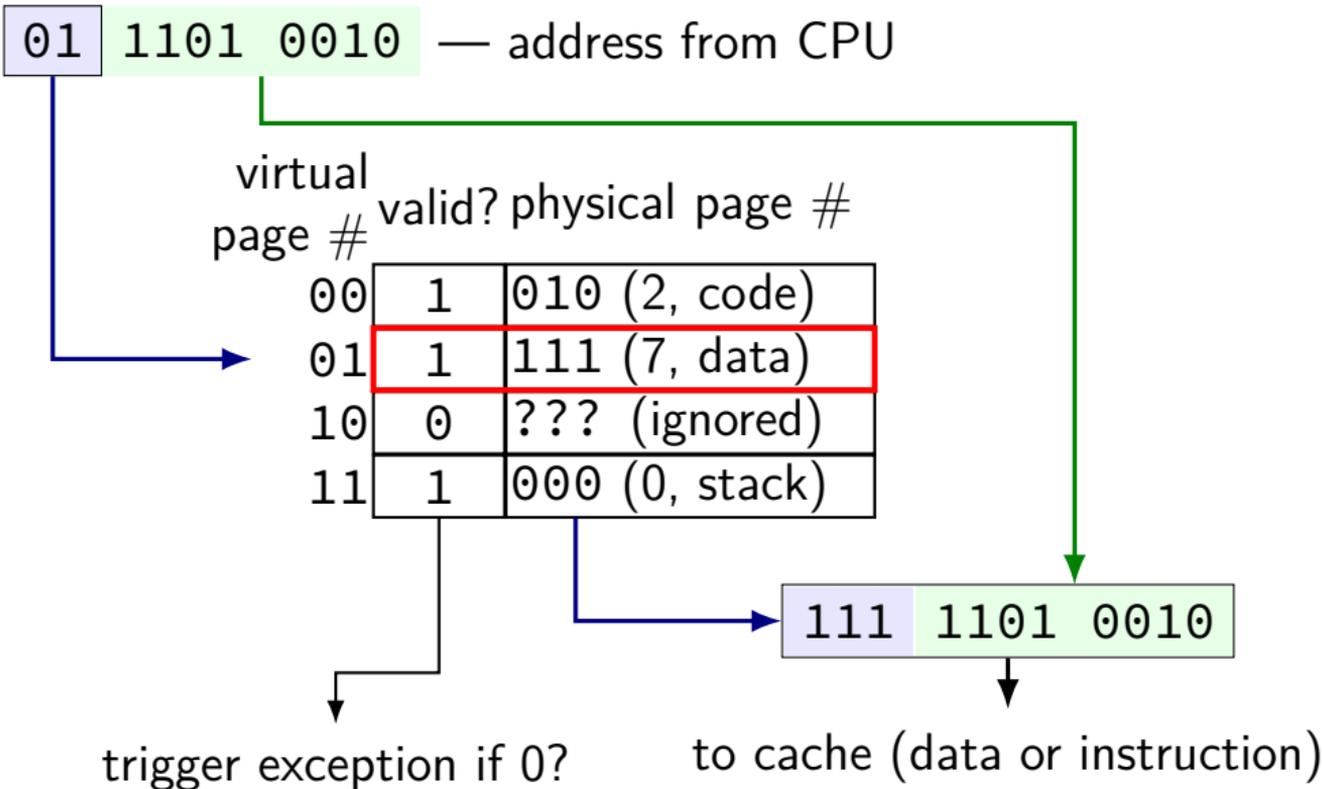
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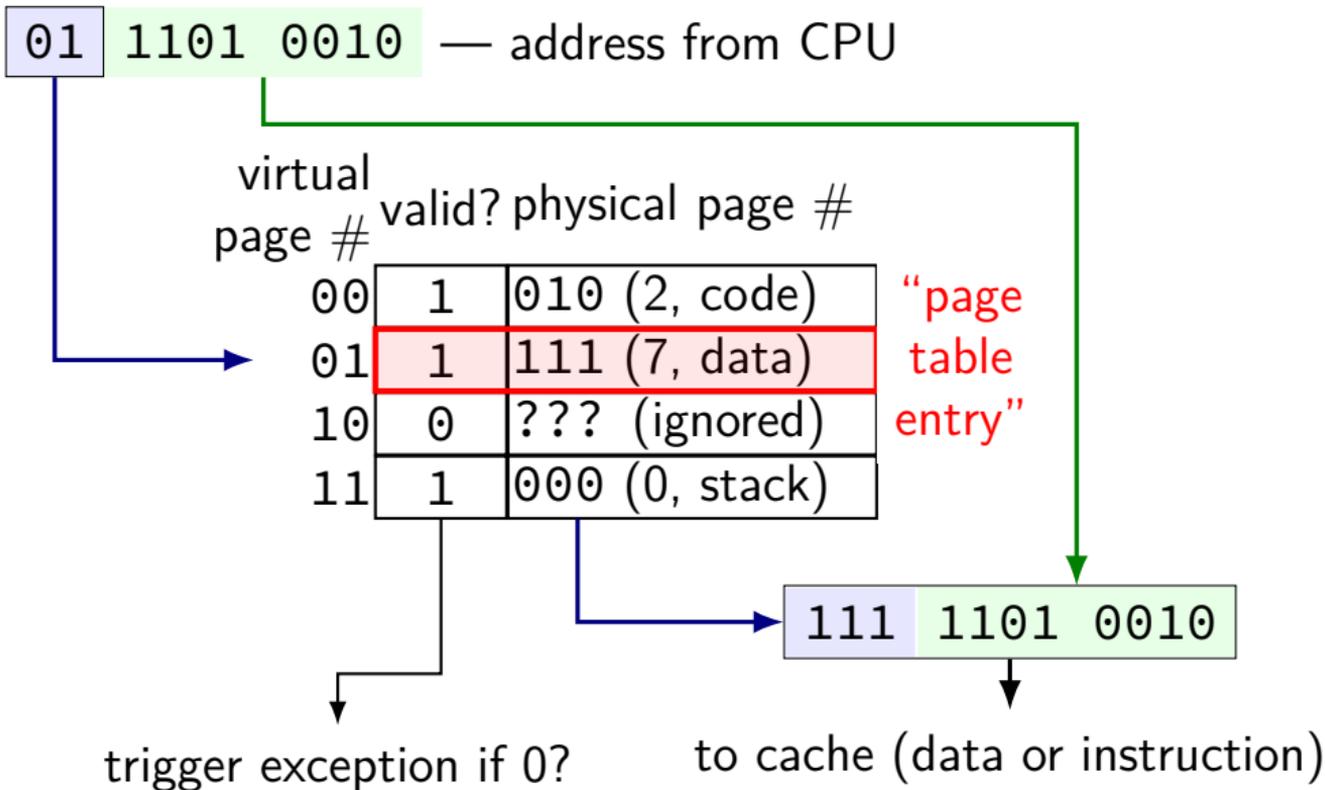
toy page table lookup

virtual page #	valid?	physical page #
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01	1	111 (7, data)
10	0	??? (ignored)
11	1	000 (0, stack)

toy page table lookup



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tov page table lookup

“virtual page number”

01 1101 0010 — address from CPU

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page # valid? physical page #

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trigger exception if 0?

to cache (data or instruction)

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two-level page tables

two-level page table; 2^{20} pages total; 2^{10} entries per table

second-level page tables

actual data
(if PTE valid)

first-level page table

for VPN 0x0-0x3FF	●
for VPN 0x400-0x7FF	
for VPN 0x800-0xBFF	
for VPN 0xC00-0xFFF	●
...	
for VPN 0xFF800-0xFFBFF	
for VPN 0xFFC00-0xFFFFF	

PTE for VPN 0x000	●
PTE for VPN 0x001	
PTE for VPN 0x002	
PTE for VPN 0x003	
...	

PTE for VPN 0x3FF

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invalid entries represent big holes

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for VPN 0xC00-0xFF
...
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for VPN 0xFFC00-0xFFFF

first-level page table

VPN range	valid	user?	write?	physical page # (of next page table)
0x0-0x3FF	1	1	1	0x22343
0x400-0x7FF	0	0	1	0x00000
0x800-0xBFF	0	0	0	0x00000
0xC00-0xFFF	1	1	0	0x33454
0x1000-0x13FF	1	1	0	0xFF043
...
0xFFC00-0xFFFF	1	1	0	0xFF045

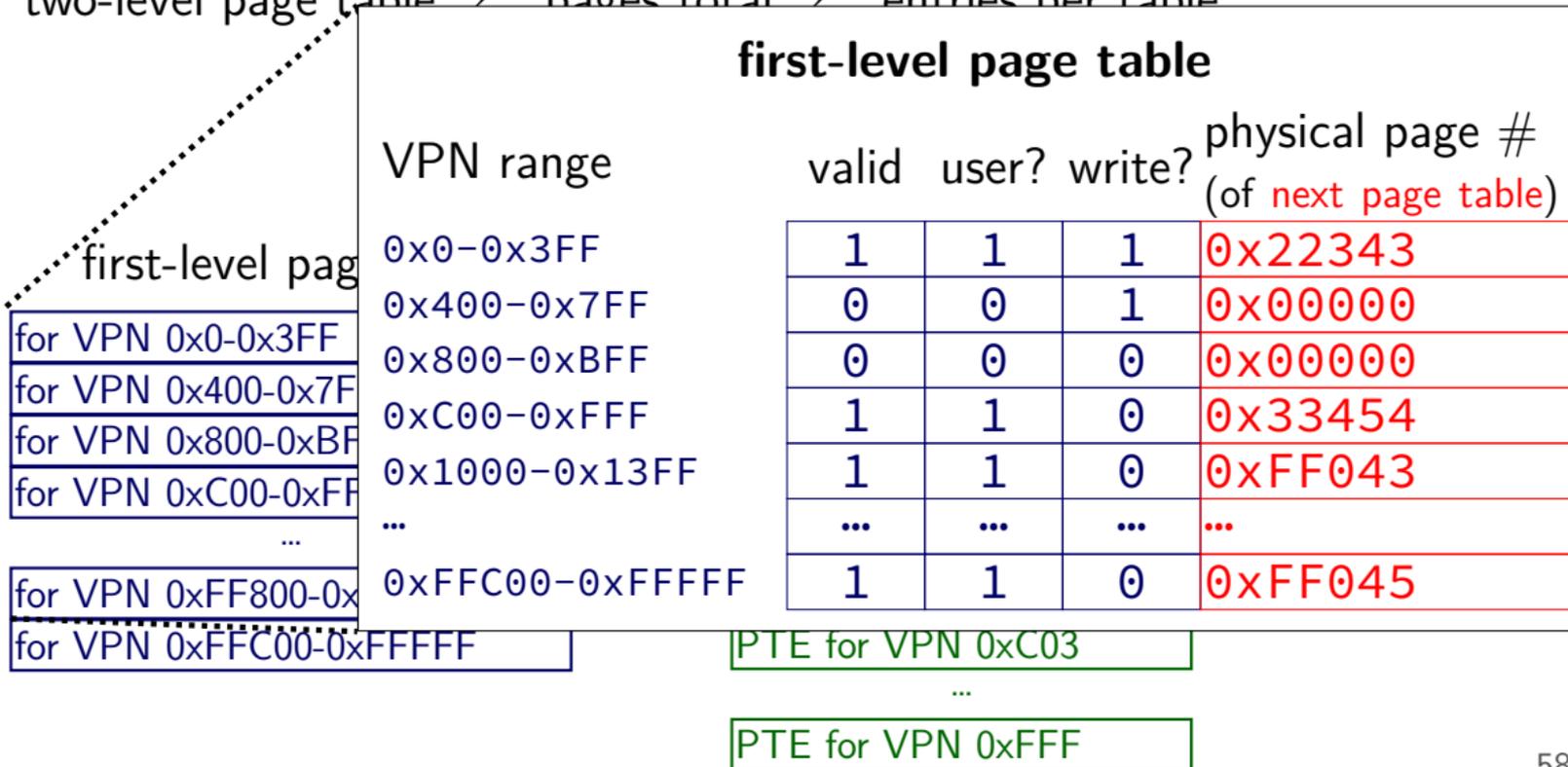
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a second-level page table

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0xC00	1	1	0	0x42443
0xC01	1	1	0	0x4A9DE
0xC02	1	1	0	0x5C001
0xC03	0	0	0	0x00000
0xC04	1	1	0	0x6C223
...
0xFFF	0	0	0	0x00000

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