

# CS 444/544 OS II

## Lab Tutorial #4

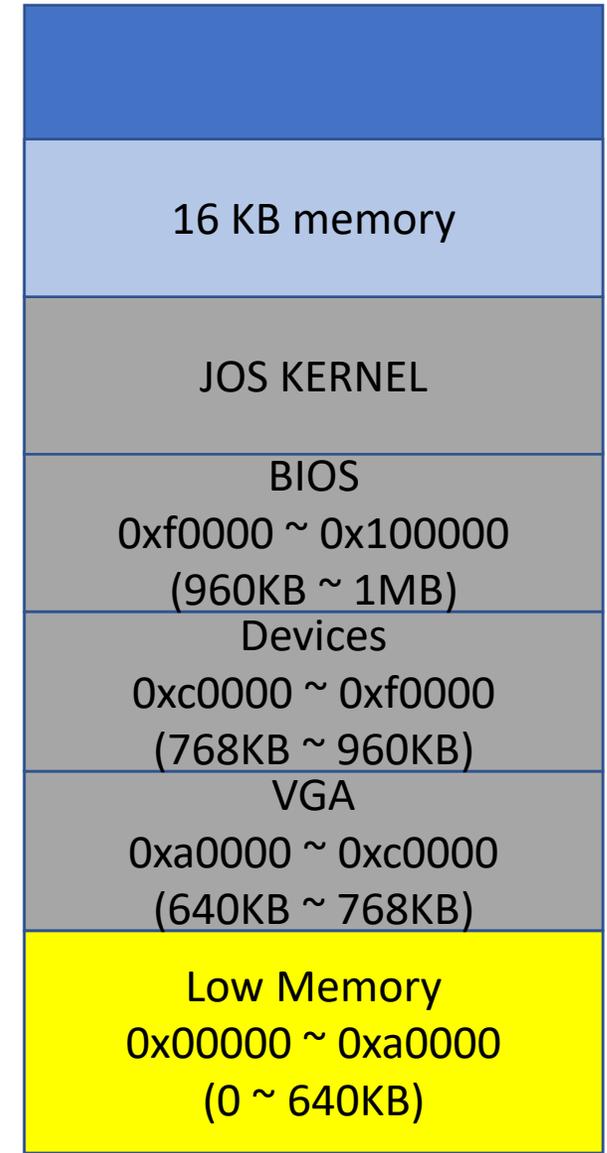
Virtual Memory Management for Lab 2

# Overview: Lab 2 Memory Management #1

- Manage Physical Memory
  - Use some part of it for peripheral device
  - Use some part of it for code/data
  - Maintain unused space and allocate as system requires more memory

## Lab 2 Exercise 1 is for implementing this part!

```
boot_alloc()  
mem_init()  
page_init()  
page_alloc()  
page_free()
```

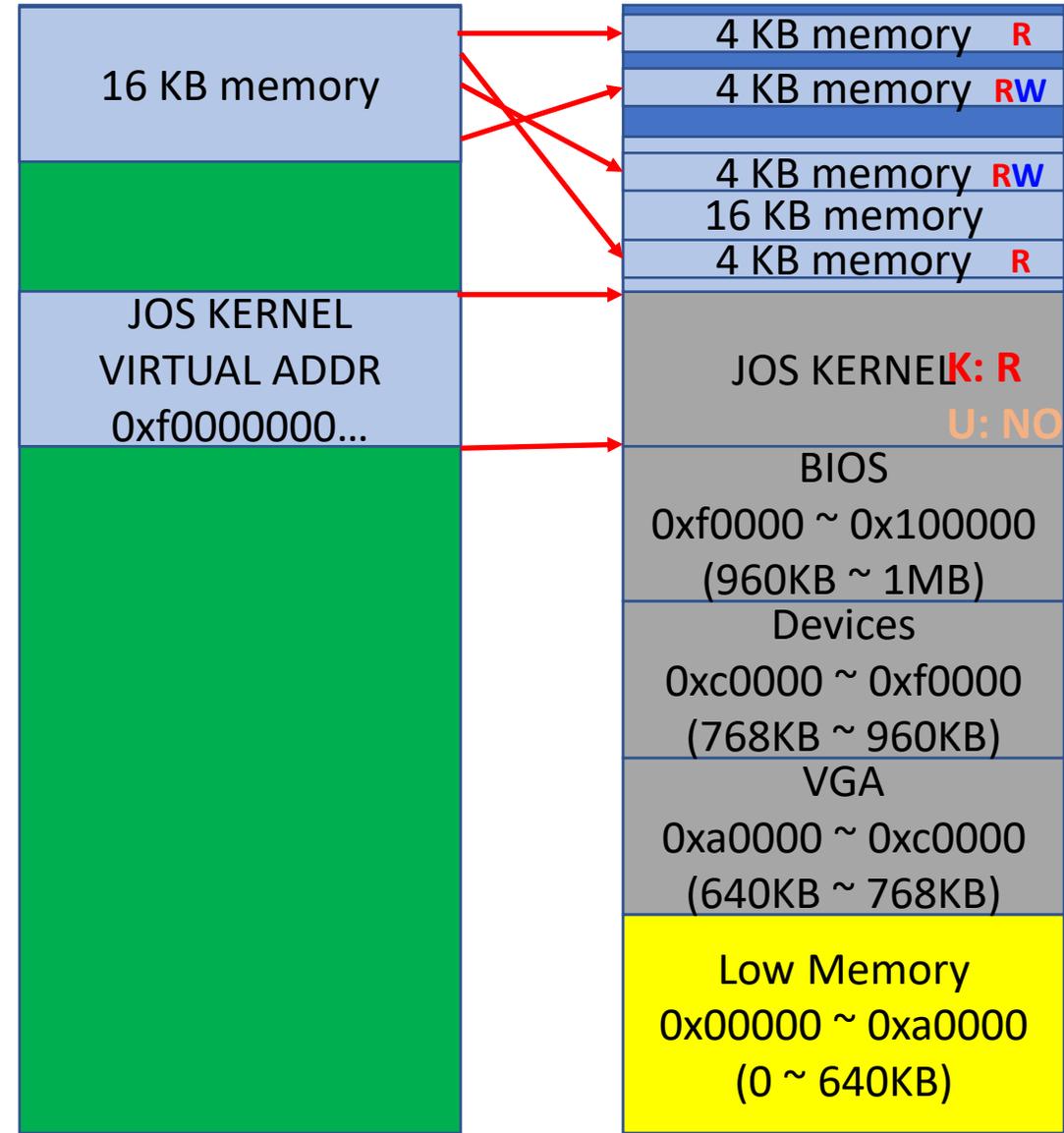


# Overview: Lab 2 Memory Management #2

- Manage Virtual Memory
  - Virtual address mappings
  - Permission setup and access control

**Lab 2 Exercise 4&5 is for implementing this part!**

```
pgdir_walk()  
boot_map_region()  
page_lookup()  
page_remove()  
page_insert()
```



# Physical address vs Virtual address

- All addresses that you can access from your C code is **virtual address**
- E.g., **nextfree** contains a **virtual address**
- Size of maximum physical memory: `npages * PGSIZE`
  - The limit is based on the **physical address**
  - How to get the **physical address**: `PADDR(virtual_address)`
- `if ((PADDR(nextfree) > npages * PGSIZE)`
  - `panic("out of memory");`

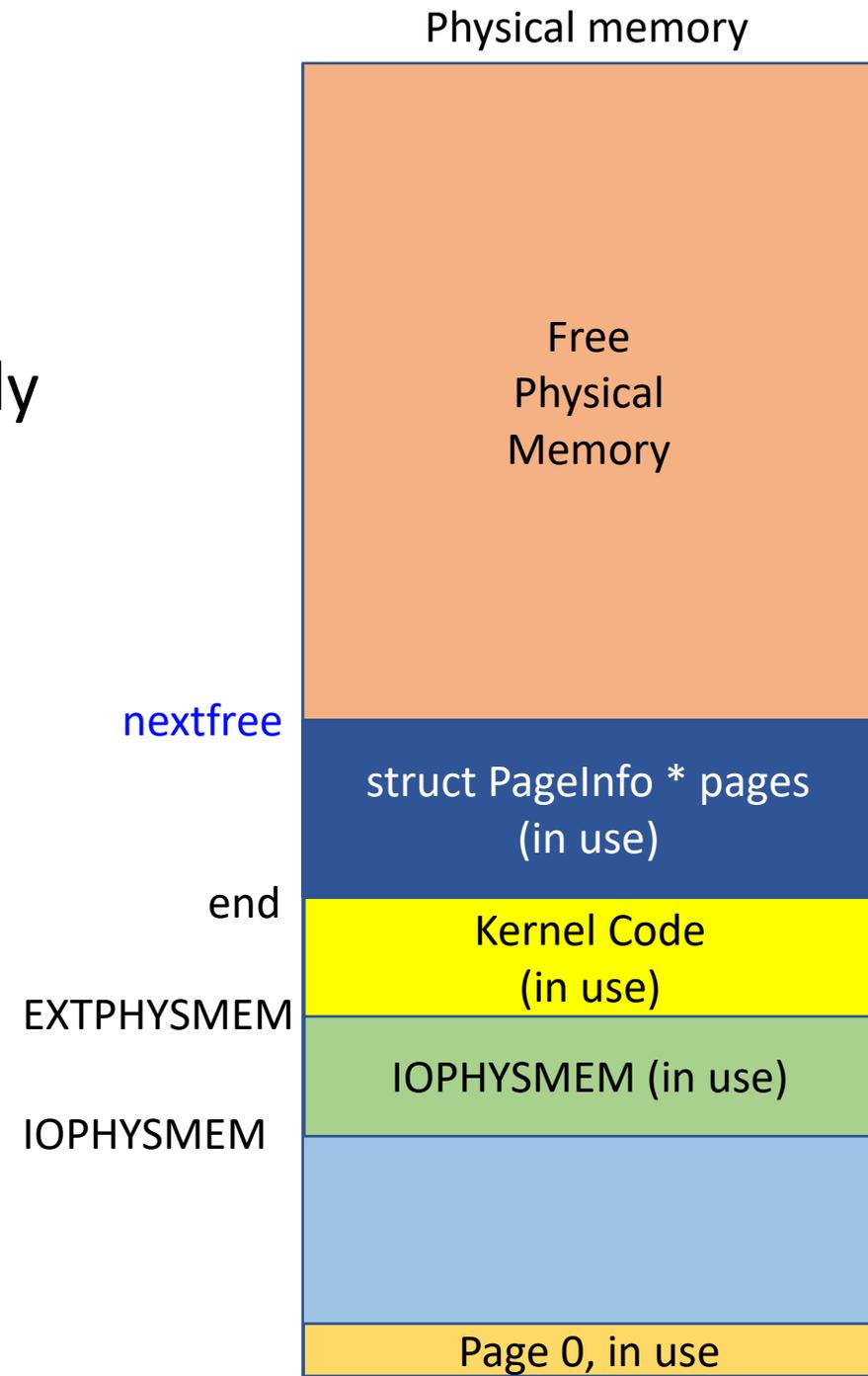
```
/* This macro takes a kernel virtual address -- an address that points above
 * KERNBASE, where the machine's maximum 256MB of physical memory is mapped --
 * and returns the corresponding physical address. It panics if you pass it a
 * non-kernel virtual address.
 */
#define PADDR(kva) _paddr(__FILE__, __LINE__, kva)
```

# Don't know which address a variable stores?

- Print it!
  - `cprintf("Address: %p", addr);`
- If the address is **above 0xf0000000**
  - i.e., **0xf0000000 ~ 0xffffffff**
  - Then the address is a **virtual address**
- If the address is **below 0xf0000000**
  - E.g., **0x800000 or 0x102030**
  - Then the address is a **physical address**

# page\_init()

- Take a look at the memory mapping thoroughly
- Mark all in-use pages as `pp_ref = 1`
- Link all pages with `pp_ref = 0`
  - Create a linked list with `page_free_list`



# Others...

- `page_alloc()`
  - Get a free physical page from `page_free_list`
    - Manage head, etc. to keep the linked list correctly
  - Clear memory if the flag is with `ALLOC_ZERO`
    - i.e., `if (alloc_flags & ALLOC_ZERO == 1)`
    - Run `memset(addr, 0, PGSIZE)`
    - Must use kernel virtual address of the page to do this; `page2kva(pp)` will help you
- `Page_free()`
  - Do not adjust `pp_ref` here... it will be controlled by `page_decref()`
  - Just manage the `page_free_list`...

```
void
page_decref(struct PageInfo* pp)
{
    if (--pp->pp_ref == 0)
        page_free(pp);
}
```

# Assertion Errors

```
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Physical memory: 131072K available, base = 640K, extended = 130432K  
check page free list() succeeded!  
kernel panic at kern/pmap.c:695: assertion failed: c[i] == 0  
Welcome to the JOS kernel monitor!  
Type 'help' for a list of commands.  
K> █
```

- In kern/pmap.c, we have many function named check\_...
  - These functions are there for running **sanity check** of your implementation
- What does it mean if an assertion fails?
  - An assertion failure means that your implementation is **incorrect**

# Assertion Errors

- How can I debug this?
  - Understand the meaning and the context of the assertion
- It's about ALLOC\_ZERO check
  - check page\_alloc()!

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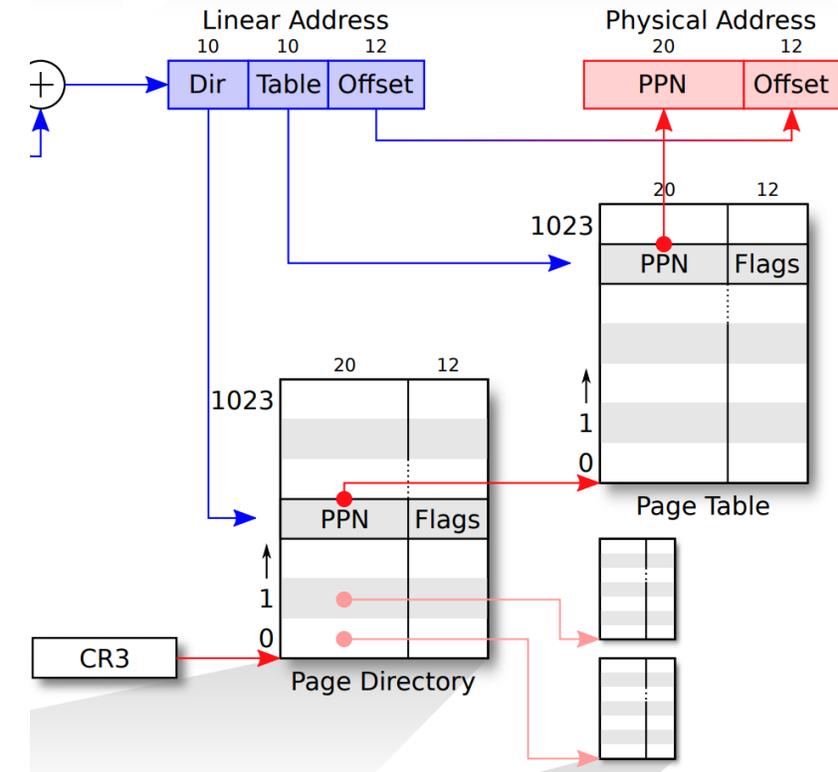
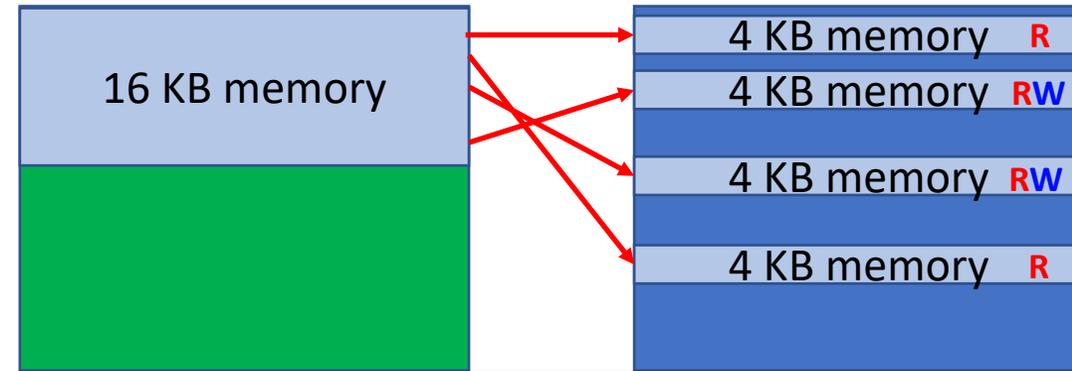
```
691 // get the virtual address of pp  
692 c = page2kva(pp);  
693 // check if all content of the page is 0x0 (not 0x1)  
694 for (i = 0; i < PGSIZE; i++)  
695     assert(c[i] == 0);  
696 // then, ALLOC_ZERO is OK  
  
struct PageInfo *  
page_alloc(int alloc_flags)  
{  
    // Fill this function in  
    struct PageInfo *ret = page_free_list;  
    if (ret == NULL) {  
        return NULL;  
    }  
    page_free_list = page_free_list->pp_link;  
    ret->pp_link = 0;  
    ret->pp_ref = 0;  
  
    /*  
    if (alloc_flags & ALLOC_ZERO) {  
        memset(page2kva(ret), 0, PGSIZE);  
    }  
    */  
  
    return ret;  
}
```

A detailed assertion description is available at here:

<https://gist.github.com/blue9057/5efb9807a9e879c75ee3f1c7add93c08>

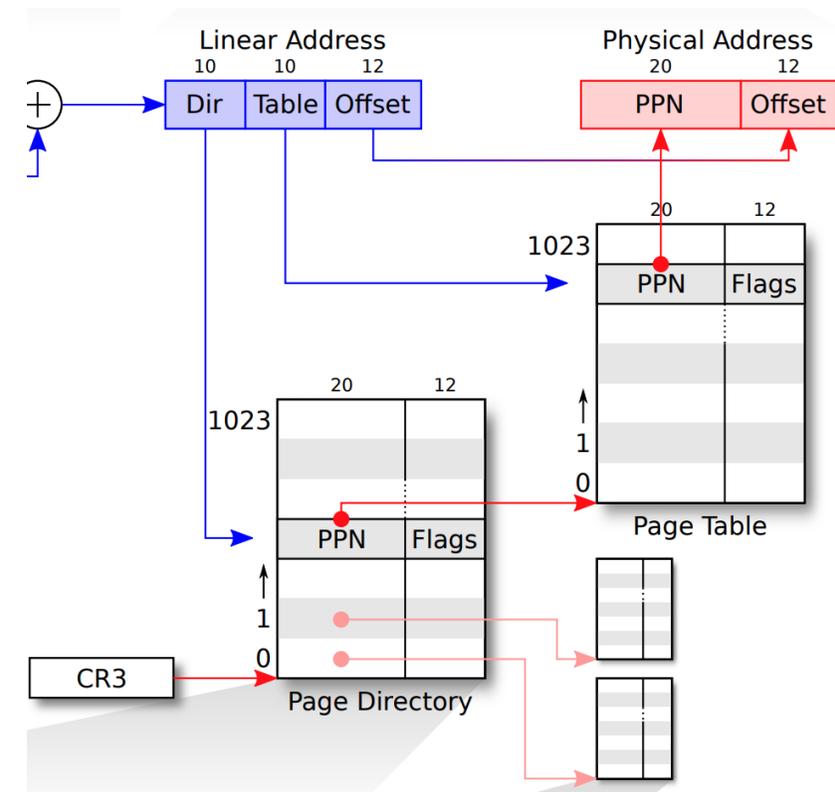
# Today's Topic: Manage Virtual Memory

- Lab2, Exercise 4
  - pgdir\_walk()
  - boot\_map\_region()
  - page\_lookup()
  - page\_remove()
  - page\_insert()



# pte\_t \* pgdir\_walk(pgdir, va, create)

- Returns the address of page table entry pointed by va, from pgdir
- We have 2 level page table structure
  - `pde_t pde = pgdir[PDX(va)]`
  - Before accessing pte from pde, please check if pde is valid
    - `if (pde & PTE_P) { // valid }`
  - If valid, get the page table by:
    - `pte_t * page_table = (pte_t *)KADDR(PTE_ADDR(pde))`
    - **You can access only virtual addresses**
  - Return the address of the entry
    - `return &page_table[PTX(va)];`



# pte\_t \* pgdir\_walk(pgdir, va, create)

- Before accessing `pte` from `pde`, please check if `pde` is valid
  - `if (pde & PTE_P) { // valid } else { // invalid }`

- If `pde` invalid, create a new Page Table by:

- call `pp_page_table = page_alloc();` to allocate a Page Table.

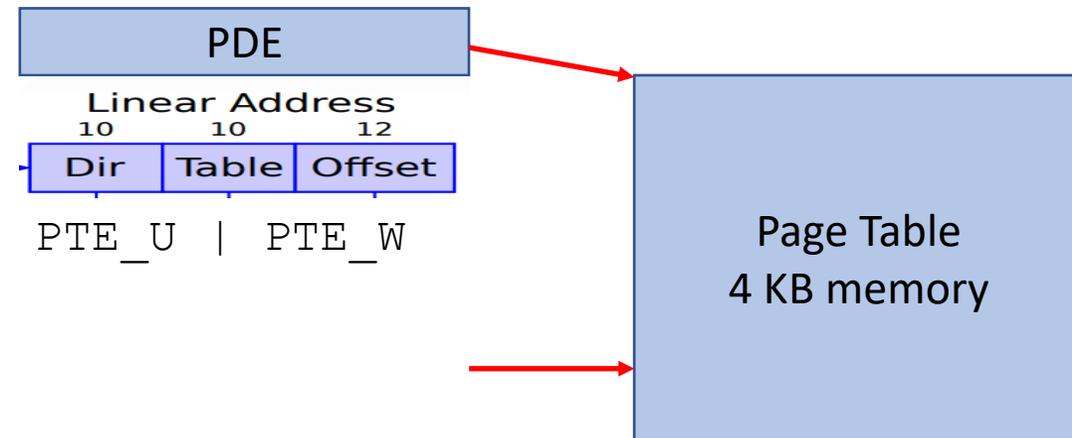
- Do `pp_page_table->pp_ref += 1;`

- Set `pde` accordingly

- `pgdir[PDX(va)] =`
  - `page2pa(pp_page_table) | PTE_P | PTE_U | PTE_W`

- Return the address of the entry

- `return &page_table[PTX(va)];`

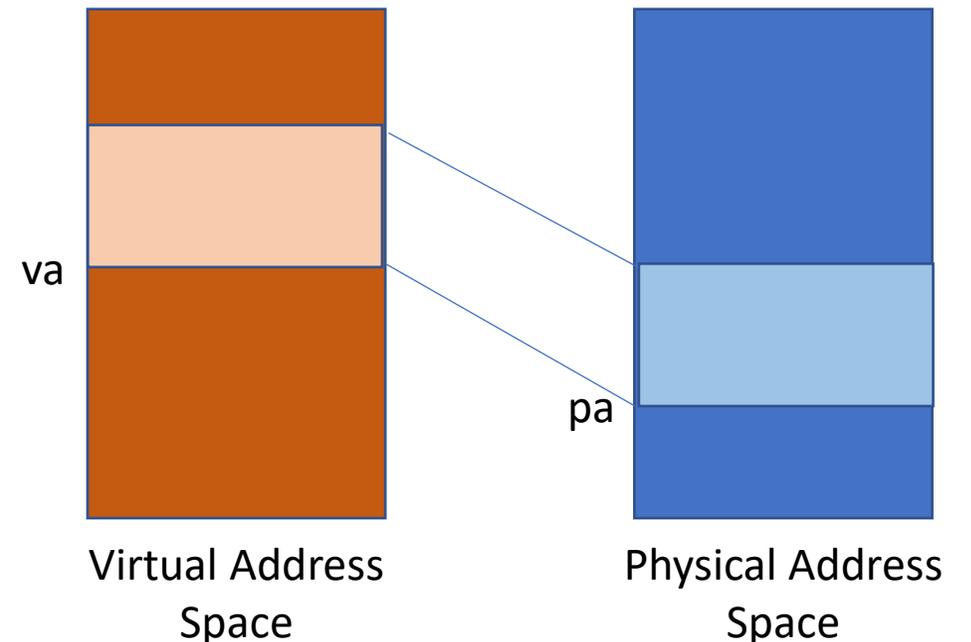


# DO NOT GET CONFUSED about **VA** and **PA**

- All variables in C need to be
  - **VIRTUAL ADDRESS** to access them in C (0xf0000000 ~ 0xffffffff)
- All addresses stored into PDEs and PTEs are must be
  - **PHYSICAL ADDRESS** (0x00000000 ~ 0xefffffff)

# boot\_map\_region(pgdir, va, size, pa, perm)

- Map multiple virtual pages to physical pages linearly
- Mapping a virtual address to a physical address can be done by
  - Setting the corresponding PTE!
- For a virtual address `va`, please do:
  - `pte_t * p_pte = pgdir_walk(pgdir, va, 1);`
  - `*p_pte = PTE_ADDR(pa) | PTE_P | perm`
- DO NOT increment `pp_ref...`



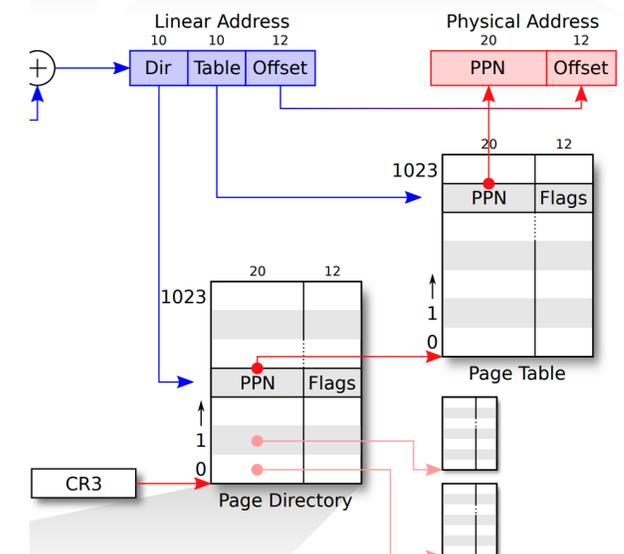
# page\_lookup(pgdir, va, pte\_store)

- Get the address of page table entry that is corresponding to va and store that into pte\_store
  - pte\_store is used for returning a pointer
- This function returns two values
  - **struct PageInfo \*** as the return value
  - **pte\_t \***, storing it via pte\_store

# page\_lookup(pgdir, va, pte\_store)

- How?
- Returning the address of pte
  - `pte_t *p_pte = pgdir_walk(pgdir, va, 0);`
  - `if (pte_store != NULL) { *pte_store = p_pte; }`

- Returning Struct PageInfo \*
  - `return pa2page(PTE_ADDR(*p_pte));`



# page\_remove(pgdir, va)

- Unmap the virtual address
- Set the corresponding page table entry to 0
  - `pte_t * p_pte;`
  - `struct PageInfo *pp = page_lookup(pgdir, va, &p_pte);`
  - `*p_pte = 0; // if it was mapped`
  - `page_decref(pp);`
  - `tlb_invalidate(pgdir, va);`

# page\_insert(pgdir, pp, va, perm)

- Map a page pointed by pp to va, with permissions in perm

- VA to PA

- What is PA of pp?

- `page2pa(pp);`

**page2pa(pp)**  
**Physical addr**

**perm**

**pgdir\_walk()**  
**pte for the VA**

- How to get the page table entry of a va?

- `pte_t *p_pte = pgdir_walk(pgdir, va, 1);`

- Assign

- `*p_pte = PTE_ADDR(page2pa(pp)) | perm | PTE_P`

# page\_insert(pgdir, pp, va, perm)

- If pte corresponds to va has already be mapped to a pa,
  - then unmap it!
  - `pte_t *p_pte = pgdir_walk(pgdir, va, 1);`
- Think wisely to handle mapping to the same address
  - Existing pte maps va to pa
  - `page_insert` will do nothing for this

## • READ:

Corner-case hint: Make sure to consider what happens when the same pp is re-inserted at the same virtual address in the same pgdir. However, try not to distinguish this case in your code, as this frequently leads to subtle bugs; there's an elegant way to handle everything in one code path.

# Tips

- Whenever you update page table entry, please invalidate TLB of that VA
  - `tlb_invalidate(pgdir, va);`
- Do not get confused when to use VA and when to use PA
  - Don't know? Print it.
  - `0xf0123456` ← starting with f, this means **VA**
  - `0x00123456` ← not starting with f, this means **PA**
- `pp_ref`
  - Add if required, in `pgdir_walk()` and `page_insert()`
  - Call `page_decref()` in `page_remove()`

# Tips

- Triple fault
  - Attach gdb, and continue -> GDB stops at the faulting instruction
- Assertion error
  - Utilize `backtrace` to locate the bug and use gdb to check variables, etc.
  - Take a look at functions starting with `check_...` to understand what grading code would like to check from your implementation
  - <https://gist.github.com/blue9057/5efb9807a9e879c75ee3f1c7add93c08>
- Avoiding using gdb?
  - Use lots of `cprintf` to check pointers, integers, variables, etc.
  - `%p %x %d` etc...