

Homework 14

Problem 1

Assume our physical memory can contain at most 4 pages and we are using **clock algorithm** as our replacing mechanism with the following design:

- 1) the clock pointer points to position 0 initially.
- 2) we do not reset the clock pointer after we have found an evict page, so next time we start from the position after previous victim.
- 3) Each page brought in were set as accessed initially.

1. Please complete the following table

Time	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
reference string	0	1	2	3	4	0	3	1	2	4	3	0
Memory content	0	0	0	0								
after	-	1	1	1								
reference	-	-	2	2								
	-	-	-	3								
remove	-	-	-	-								
bring in	0	1	2	3								

2. Assume the cost of memory is 100ns and the cost of accessing disk is 10ms, please compute the AMAT of the previous access.

Problem 2

Consider the code of M&S queue described in class, answer the following questions.

1) After executed which line will the enqueue operation be visible to other dequeue threads? Why?

```
1 void Queue_Enqueue(queue_t *q, int value) {
2     node_t *tmp = malloc(sizeof(node_t));
3     assert(tmp != NULL);
4     tmp->value = value;
5     tmp->next = NULL;
6     pthread_mutex_lock(&q->tail_lock);
7     q->tail->next = tmp;
8     q->tail = tmp;
9     pthread_mutex_unlock(&q->tail_lock);
10 }
```

2) Now we are going to try to remove the lock in our concurrent queue. Read the following dequeue code and try to fill in the blank with CAS operation below.

CAS(void **ptr, void *expected, void *new) : if the pointer pointed by **ptr** equals to **expected**, then replace it with **new** and return 1. Return 0 otherwise.

```
int Queue_Dequeue(queue_t *q, int* value) {
    while (1) {
        node_t *tmp = q->head;
        node_t *new_head = tmp->next; // skip the dummy node
        if (head == q->head) {
            if (new_head == NULL) {
                return -1; // queue was empty
            }
            *value = new_head->value;
            if (CAS(_____,))
                break;
        }
    }
    free(tmp);
    return 0;
}
```

3) Read the enqueue code with CAS operation below. Is there any concurrent problems? Why?

```
1 void Queue_Enqueue(queue_t *q, int value) {
2     node_t *tmp = malloc(sizeof(node_t));
3     assert(tmp != NULL);
4     tmp->value = value;
5     tmp->next = NULL;
6     while (1) {
7         node_t *tail = q->tail;
8         node_t *next = tail->next;
9         if (tail == q->tail) {
10             if (CAS(&tail->next, next, tmp))
11                 break;
12         }
13     }
14     CAS(&q->tail, tail, tmp);
15 }
```

Problem 3

Read the following lock implementation, what's the problem here? Try to fix it.

```
void lock (lock_t *lock) {
    while (TestAndSet(&lock->guard, 1) == 1)
        ; // acquire guard lock by spinning
    if (lock->flag == 0) {
        lock->flag = 1; // lock is acquired
        lock->guard = 0;
    } else {
        queue_add(lock->q, getpid());
        lock->guard = 0;
        park();
    }
}

void unlock (lock_t *lock) {
    while (TestAndSet(&lock->guard, 1) == 1)
        ; // acquire guard lock by spinning
    if (queue_empty(lock->q)) {
        // let go of lock; no one wants it
        lock->flag = 0;
    } else {
        // hold lock (for next thread!)
        unpark(queue_remove(lock->q));
    }
    lock->guard = 0;
}
```