Counting and Addressing (Practice)

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Operating Systems

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(q1) Counting

- How many 8KiB chunks in a 2MiB file?
- How many 32-byte elements in a 128KiB array?
- How many 4MiB images in a 256GiB digital library?
- How many 1GiB memory zones in a 16EiB memory?
 - Remember the sequence: GiB, TiB, PiB, EiB
- How many 4KiB pages in a 2GiB virtual address space?
 - Doesn't matter that you don't know what these are yet, since it's the same for all "thingies"!

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(q1) Answers

- How many 8KiB chunks in a 2MiB file?
 2×220 / 8×210 = 221 /213 = 28
- How many 32-byte elements in a 128KiB array?
 128×2¹⁰ / 2⁵ = 2¹⁷ / 2⁵ = 2¹²
- How many 4MiB images in a 256GiB digital library?
 256×230 / 4×220 = 238 / 222 = 216
- How many 1GiB memory zones in a 16EiB memory?
 16×260 / 1×230 = 264 / 230 = 234
- How many 4KiB pages in a 2GiB virtual address space?

 $2 \times 230 / 4 \times 210 = 231 / 212 = 219$

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(q2) Addressing

- How many address bits do you need to address 17 distinct bytes?
- With 10-bit addresses can I address each byte in a MiB?
- With 3-bit addresses can I address 6 eggplants?
- With 8-bit addresses I can address at most twice as many firetrucks as with 4-bit addresses? True or False?
- With x-bit addresses I can address 4 times as many files as with y-bit addresses, and with y-bit addresses I can address each byte in a KiB. What's x?

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(q2) Anwers

How many address bits do you need to address 17 distinct bytes?

 $[\log 17] = 5$ address bits

- With 10-bit addresses can I address each byte in a MiB? No, because you'd need 20-bit addresses
- With 3-bit addresses can I address 6 eggplants? Yes, because log₂ 6 < 3 (because 6 < 28)
- With 8-bit addresses I can address at most twice as many firetrucks as with 4-bit addresses? True or False?

FALSE! 28 is way more than twice 24

■ With x-bit addresses I can address 4 times as many files as with y-bit addresses, and with y-bit addresses I can address each byte in a KiB. What's x?

x = y + 2 and y = 10, so x = 12

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(q3) Addressing

- How many address bits do you need to address each...
 - byte in a 2MiB memory?
 - 4-byte word in a 1MiB memory?
 - 4KiB page in a 16MiB address space?
 - □ 1MiB file in a 4GiB file system?
- The approach is straightforward:
 - Determine how many thingies you need to address as a power of 2
 - □ Take the log₂

(q3) Answers

- byte in a 2MiB memory?
 - □ We have $2 \times 2^{20} = 2^{21}$ bytes
 - □ We need 21-bit addresses
- 4-byte word in a 1MiB memory?
 - □ We have $1 \times 2^{20} / 4 = 2^{18}$ words
 - We need 18-bit addresses
- 4KiB page in a 16MiB address space?
 - □ We have $16 \times 2^{20} / 4 \times 2^{10} = 2^{24} / 2^{12} = 2^{12}$ pages
 - □ We need 12-bit addresses
- 1MiB file in a 4GiB file system?
 - □ We have $4 \times 2^{30} / 1 \times 2^{20} = 2^{12}$ files
 - We need 12-bit addresses

(q4) Parking Lot

Say we have a parking lot with 800 spots, and we structure them in blocks of 10 spots

- What is the index of spot 312 in its block?
- In what block is spot 145?

What is the global index of spot 8 in block 12?

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(q4) Answers

- Say we have a parking lot with 800 spots, and we structure them in blocks of 10 spots
- What is the index of spot 312 in its block?
 - □ 2
- In what block is spot 145?
 - **14**
- What is the global index of spot 8 in block 12?
 - **128**

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(q5) No Parking Lot

- Say we have a sequence of N thingies, structured in blocks of n consecutive thingies
- What is the index of thingy x in its block?
- In what block is thingy y?

What is the global index of thingy a in block b?

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(q5) Answers

- Say we have a sequence of N thingies, structured in blocks of n consecutive thingies
- What is the index of thingy x its block?
 - □ x mod n
- In what block is thingy y?
 - x / n (integer division, i.e., [x / n])
- What is the global index of thingy a in block b?
 - □ b * n + a