

CS 444/544 OS II

Lab Tutorial #3

Physical Memory Management for Lab 2

Today's Topic

- **Lab2, Exercise 1**

- `boot_alloc()`

- `mem_init()`

- `page_init()`

- `page_alloc()`

- `page_free()`

Before Start

- Please finish your lab1...
- After that, run the following commands
 - `git checkout lab2`
 - `git merge lab1`

Tool: Using ctags

- You can move around functions in vim by using ctags
- Initialize
 - At the top directory for JOS, run
 - `ctags -R .`
- Use
 - Open the file from the top directory, e.g., `vim kern/pmap.c`
 - Press `CTRL+]` to move
 - Press `CTRL+t` to get back

boot_alloc()

- An allocator for **physical memory**
- We will use this for bootstrapping virtual memory space in JOS
- The **real allocator will be page_alloc()**, which we will implement based on boot_alloc()

```
static void *
boot_alloc(uint32_t n)
{
    static char *nextfree; // virtual address of next byte of free memory
    char *result;

    // Initialize nextfree if this is the first time.
    // 'end' is a magic symbol automatically generated by the linker,
    // which points to the end of the kernel's bss segment:
    // the first virtual address that the linker did *not* assign
    // to any kernel code or global variables.
    if (!nextfree) {
        extern char end[];
        nextfree = ROUNDUP((char *) end, PGSIZE);
    }

    // Allocate a chunk large enough to hold 'n' bytes, then update
    // nextfree. Make sure nextfree is kept aligned
    // to a multiple of PGSIZE.
    //
    // LAB 2: Your code here.

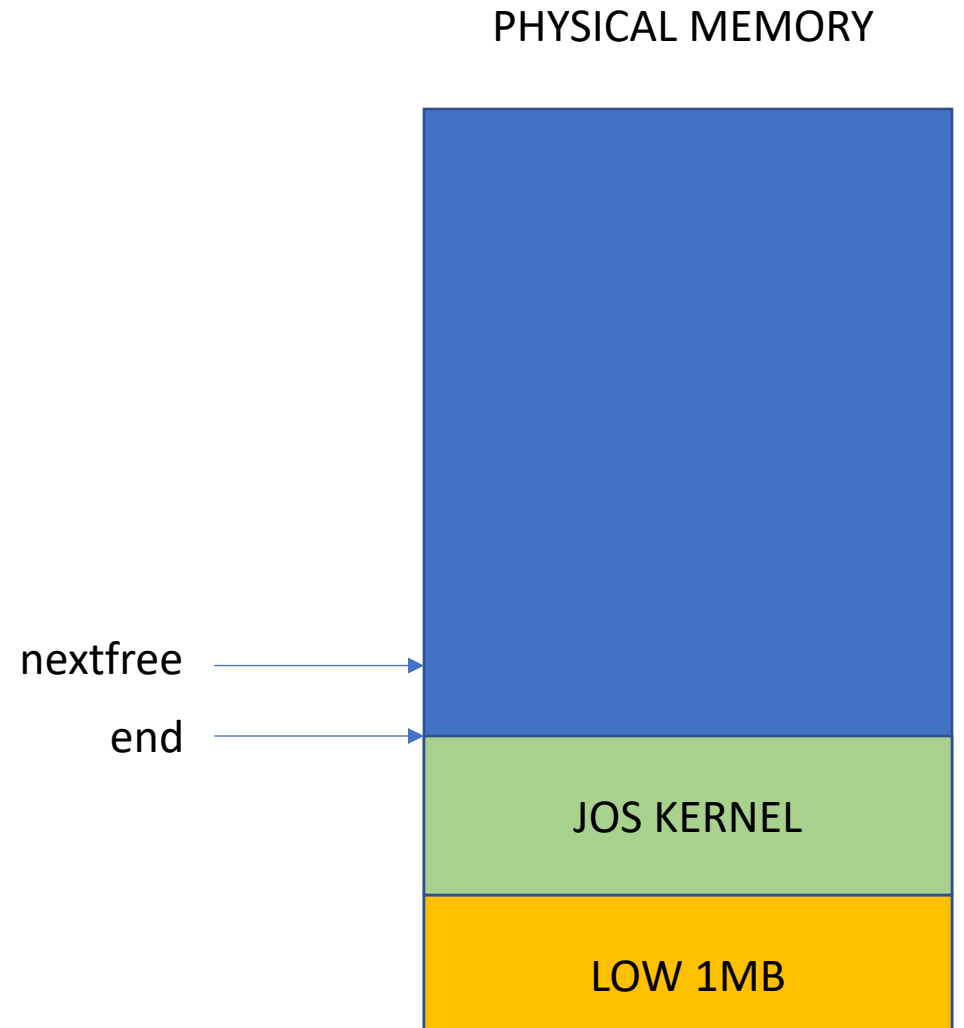
    return NULL;
}
```

boot_alloc(); Read the Description!

```
// This simple physical memory allocator is used only while JOS is setting
// up its virtual memory system.  page_alloc() is the real allocator.
//
// If n>0, allocates enough pages of contiguous physical memory to hold 'n'
// bytes.  Doesn't initialize the memory.  Returns a kernel virtual address.
//
// If n==0, returns the address of the next free page without allocating
// anything.
//
// If we're out of memory, boot_alloc should panic.
// This function may ONLY be used during initialization,
// before the page_free_list list has been set up.
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How boot_alloc works?

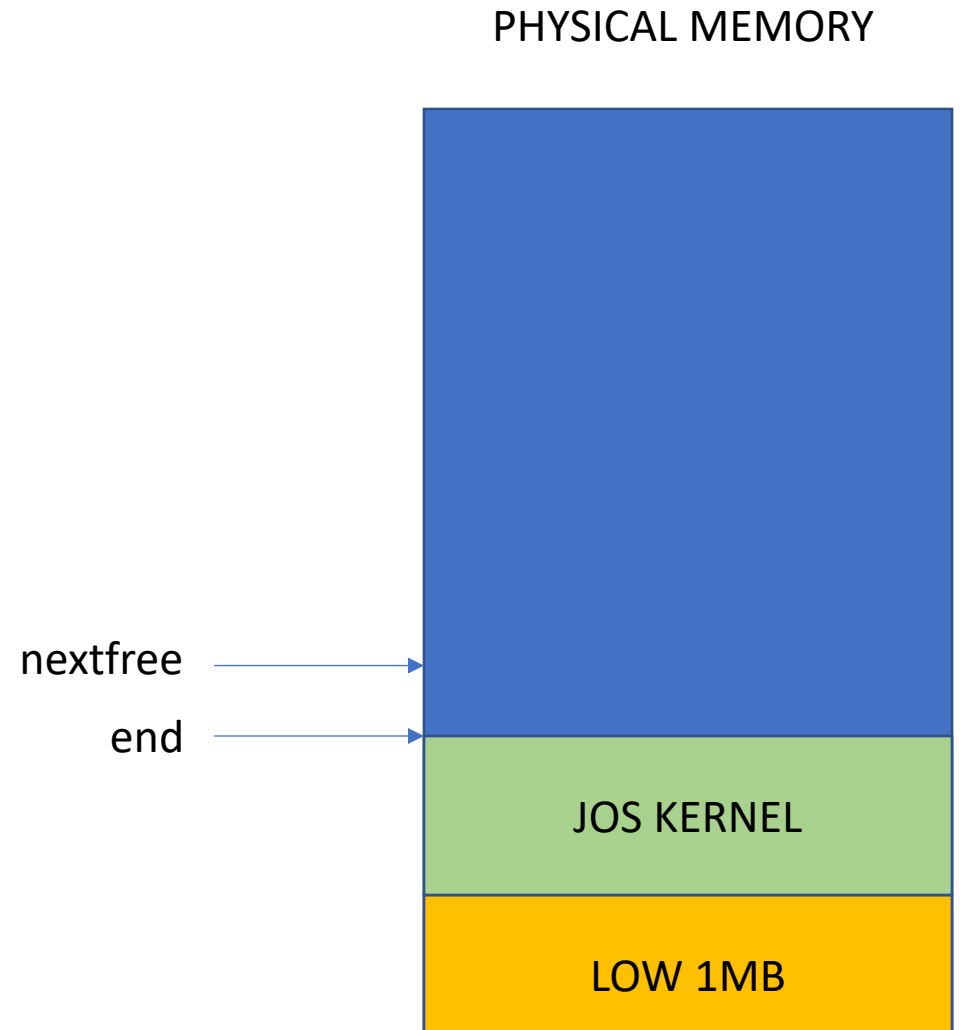
- Nextfree points to the addr
 - That is free (not used at all)
- How?
 - It first points to the 'end' of the kernel (next page)
 - Whenever allocation request comes, move this to the next free address and return the previous value..



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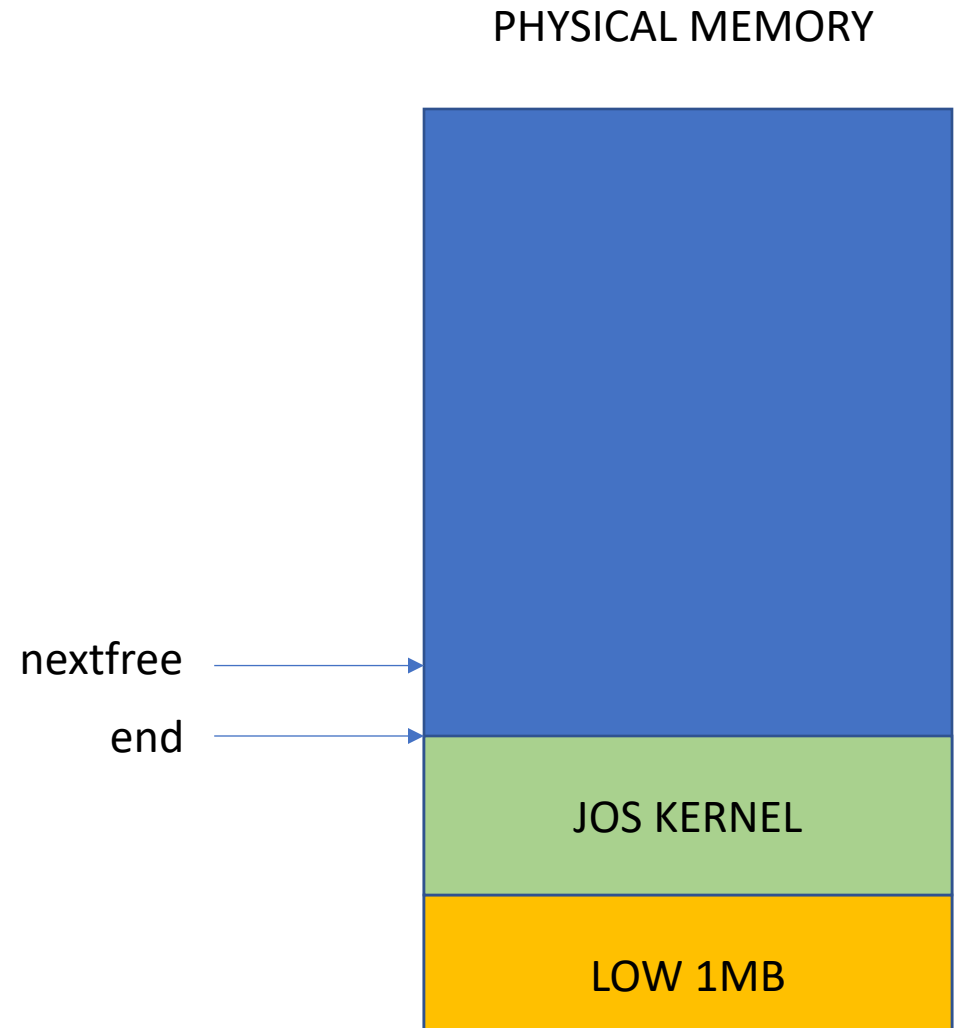
- Boot_alloc INVARIANT
 - The physical memory region at above nextfree is free...



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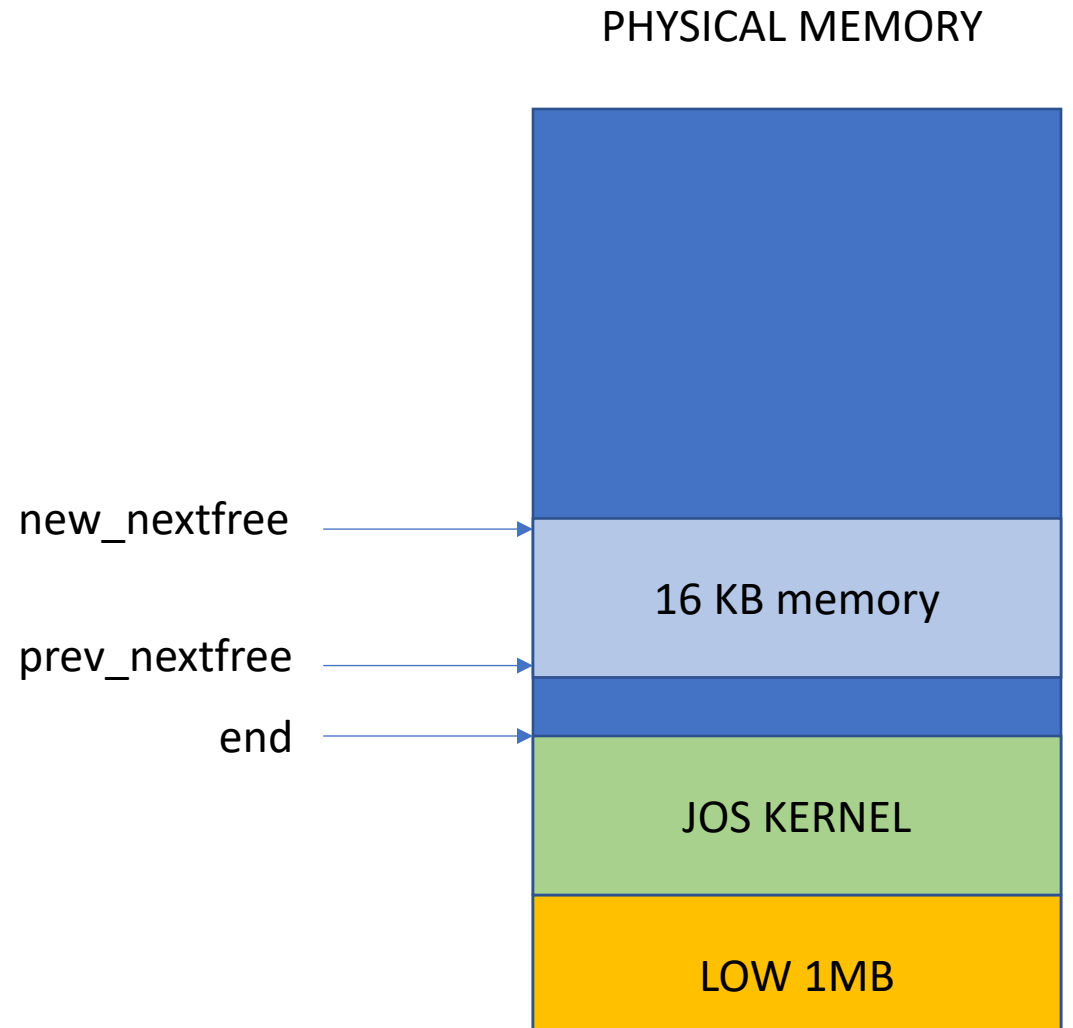
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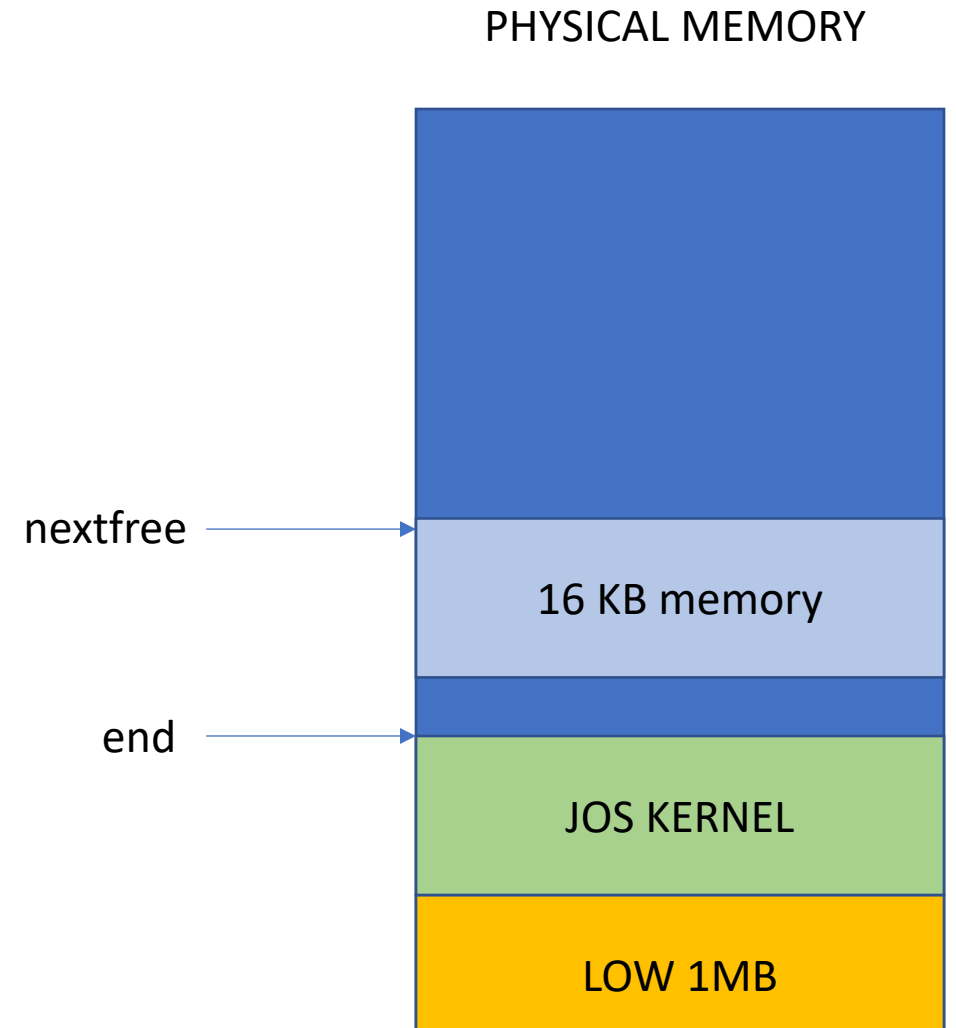
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- Allocating 16KB..
 - new_nextfree =
 - ROUNDUP(nextfree + 16KB, PGSIZE)...
 - return prev_nextfree
 - update nextfree...



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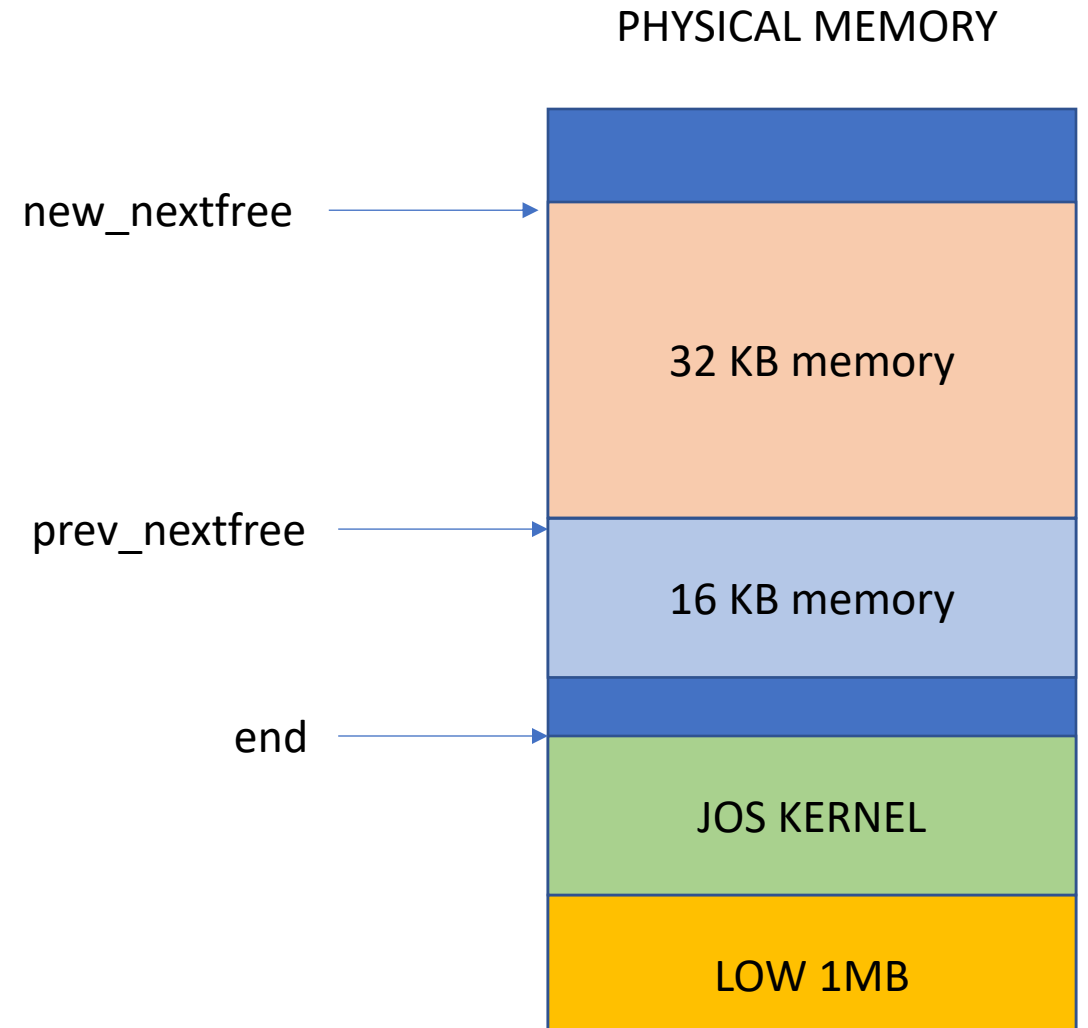
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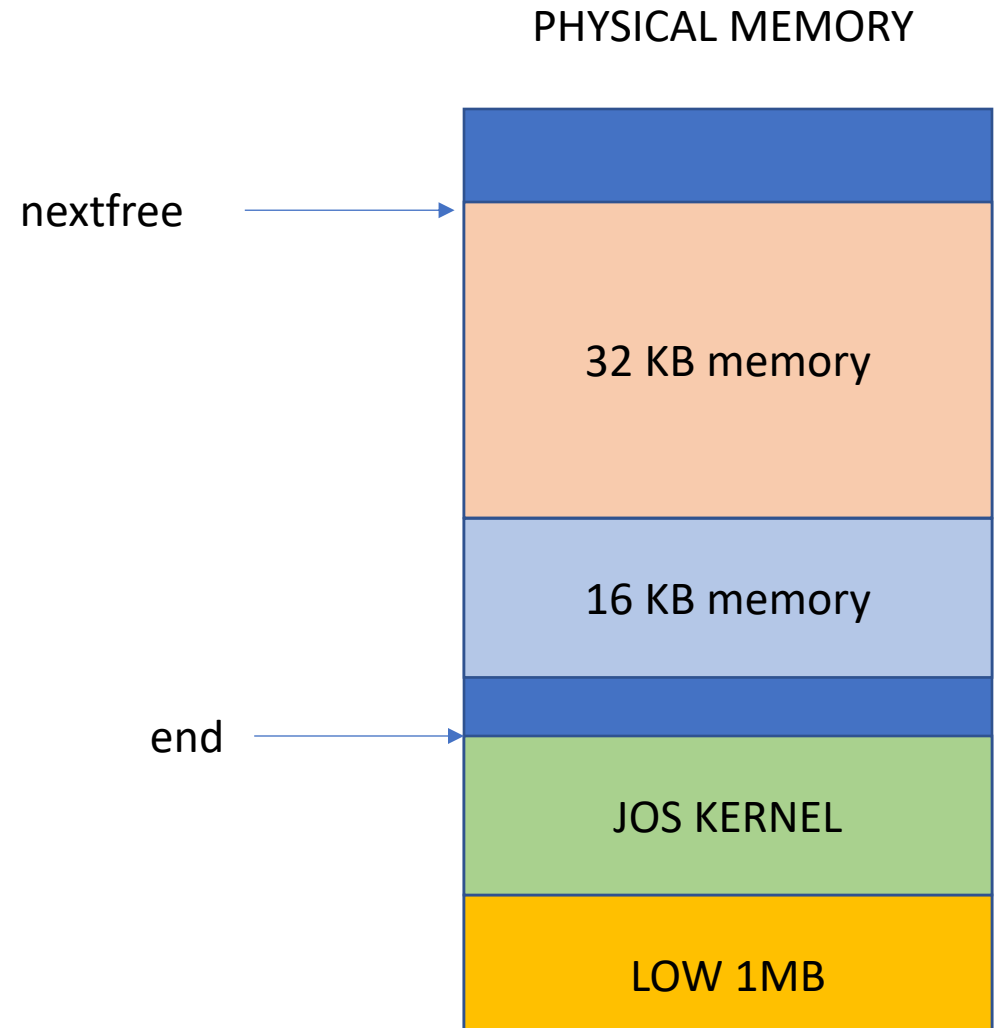
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How can you maintain nextfree?

- **Static** in C...
 - Regard nextfree as a global variable in the function...
- 3 different meaning of static
 - 1. **global variable in a function**
 - 2. a function/variable accessible within a file
 - 3. class static function (C++)

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mem_init()

- TODO

- Allocate 'pages', an array of struct PageInfo
- Remove the panic line below...

```
127 // Remove this line when you're ready to test this function.  
128 panic("mem_init: This function is not finished\n");
```

```
////////////////////////////////////  
// Allocate an array of npages 'struct PageInfo's and store it in 'pages'.  
// The kernel uses this array to keep track of physical pages: for  
// each physical page, there is a corresponding struct PageInfo in this  
// array. 'npages' is the number of physical pages in memory. Use memset  
// to initialize all fields of each struct PageInfo to 0.  
// Your code goes here:
```


mem_init()

- TODO

- Allocate 'pages', an array of `struct PageInfo`
- We need to have a corresponding `struct PageInfo` per each physical page

- Hint

- Use `boot_alloc` to allocate 'pages'
- Total number of physical pages: `npages`
- Size of memory to allocate: `npages * sizeof(struct PageInfo)`
- How to initialize that with 0?
 - `memset(pages, 0, size...)`

How JOS manages free Phys mem?

- `struct PageInfo`
 - JOS will have a `struct PageInfo` entry per each physical pages..
 - 128MB (134,217,728 bytes) of available physical memory for now
 - 32768 entries ($134217728 / 4096 = 32768$)

```
struct PageInfo {
    // Next page on the free list.
    struct PageInfo *pp_link;

    // pp_ref is the count of pointers (usually in page table entries)
    // to this page, for pages allocated using page_alloc.
    // Pages allocated at boot time using pmap.c's
    // boot_alloc do not have valid reference count fields.

    uint16_t pp_ref;
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How JOS manages free Phys mem?

- page_free_list: Linked list of free physical pages

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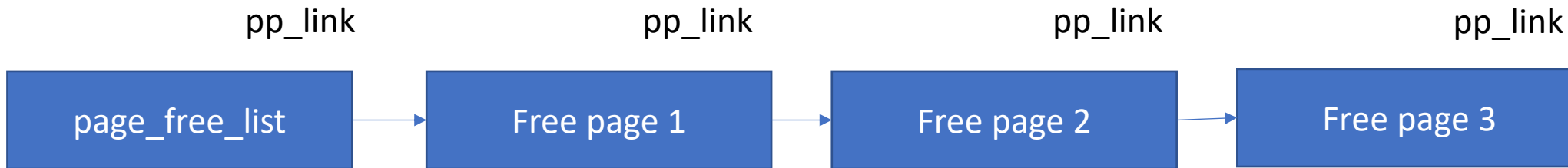
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- pp_link: indicates a pointer to the PageInfo of the next free page
- Implement this for page_init



How to build a linked list?

- Start with NULL at the head
 - `page_free_list = NULL;`
- After set `pp_ref` of all pages, do something like the following..

This will build a linked list...

```
for (int i=0; i < npages; ++i) {  
    if (pages[i].pp_ref == 0) {  
        pages[i].pp_link = page_free_list;  
        page_free_list = &pages[i];  
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List Building

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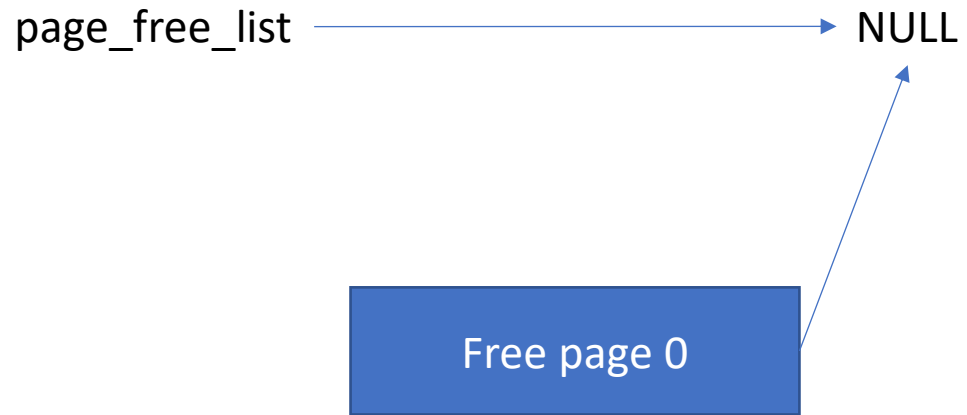
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Free page 0

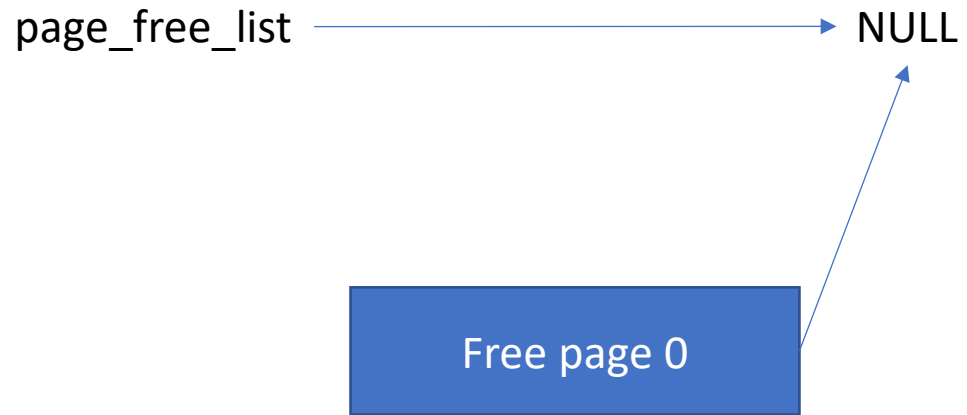
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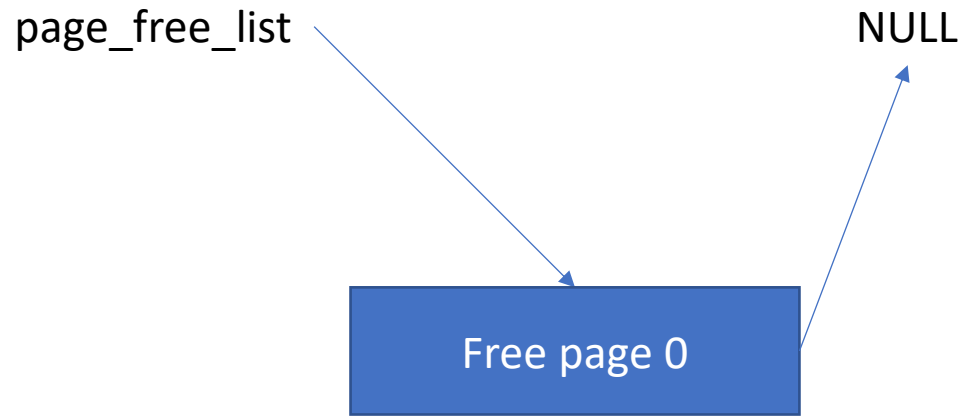
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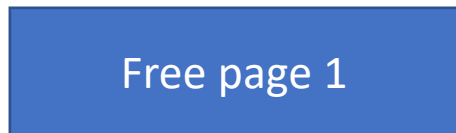
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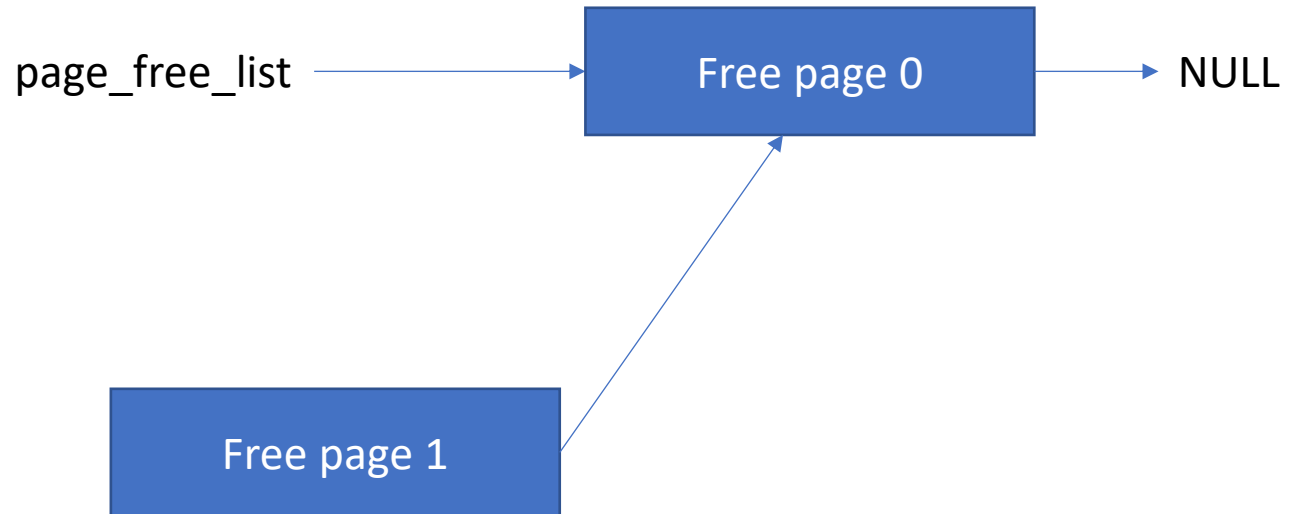
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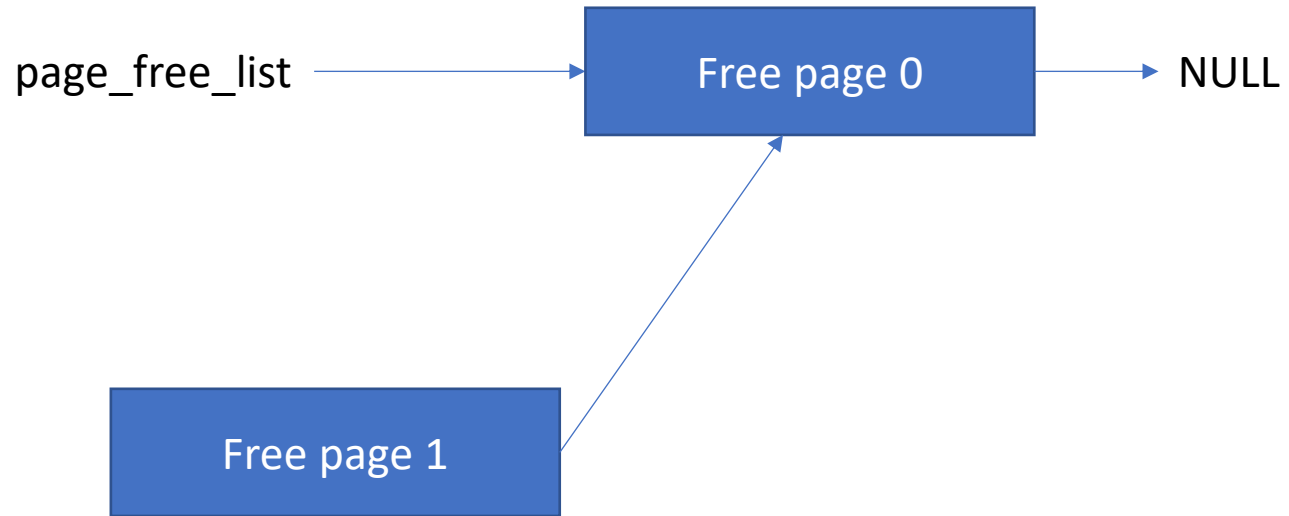
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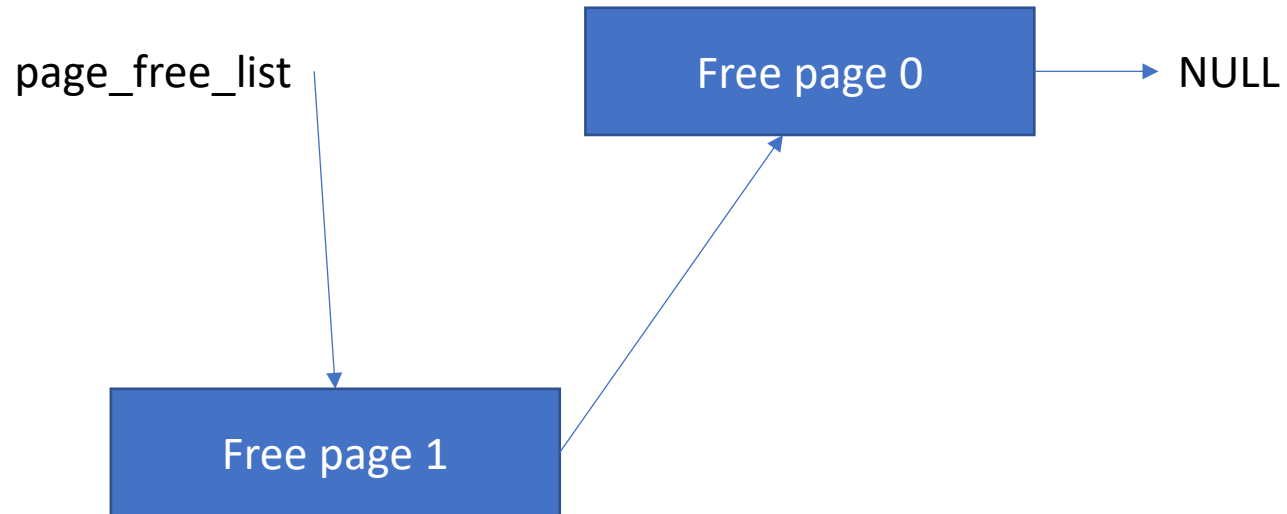
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How JOS manages free Phys mem?

- pp_ref: indicates how many virtual allocation was made
 - pp_ref != 0 // page is being used
 - pp_ref == 0 // page is not being used at all – free!

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page_init()

- Mark some pages IN_USE
 - By setting pages[i].pp_ref = 1
- Build a linked list for
 - free physical pages

```
// The example code here marks all physical pages as free.
// However this is not truly the case. What memory is free?
// 1) Mark physical page 0 as in use.
//     This way we preserve the real-mode IDT and BIOS structures
//     in case we ever need them. (Currently we don't, but...)
// 2) The rest of base memory, [PGSIZE, npages_basemem * PGSIZE)
//     is free.
// 3) Then comes the IO hole [IOPHYSMEM, EXTPHYSMEM), which must
//     never be allocated.
// 4) Then extended memory [EXTPHYSMEM, ...).
//     Some of it is in use, some is free. Where is the kernel
//     in physical memory? Which pages are already in use for
//     page tables and other data structures?
//
// Change the code to reflect this.
// NB: DO NOT actually touch the physical memory corresponding to
// free pages!
```

Allocating a page (va->pa)

- Get a page from `page_free_list` (let this be `new_page`)
 - Must disconnect this from the list if allocated...
- Set `page_free_list = new_page->pp_link`
 - Maintain `page_free_list`
- `page_alloc()` does this
- Assigning PTE (done by other functions that uses `page_alloc`)
 - `new_page->pp_ref += 1` (DO NOT DO THIS within `PAGE_ALLOC`)
 - Set page table entry (`va -> pa`)
 - Store it to page directory
 - invalidate TLB

Releasing a page

- `page->pp_ref -= 1;`
- `if(page->pp_ref == 0) {`
 - Add it to the `page_free_list`
 - `page->pp_link = page_free_list;`
 - `page_free_list = page;`
- `}`

- `page_free()` does this

Useful MACROs

- `PGNUM(x)`
 - Get the page number ($x \gg 12$) of the address x
- `PDX(x)`
 - Get the page directory index (top 10 bits) of the address x
- `PTX(x)`
 - Get the page table index (mid 10 bits) of the address x
- `PGOFF(x)`
 - Get the page offset (lower 12 bits) of the address x
- `PTE_ADDR(x)`
 - Get the physical address pointed by an entry x
 - i.e., erasing all the flags (lower 12 bits), $x \& 0\text{xfffff}000$

Useful MACROS

- `KADDR(pa)`
 - Convert a physical address `pa` to a kernel virtual address
 - i.e., returns `pa + KERNBASE`
- `PADDR(va)`
 - Convert a kernel virtual address `va` to a physical address
 - i.e., returns `va - KERNBASE`
- Only works for kernel virtual memory
 - i.e., memory address range from `0xf0000000` to `0xffffffff`

Useful MACROs

- `page2kva(page)`
 - Get the kernel virtual address of the page (struct PageInfo *)
 - E.g., `physical_address_of_the_page + KERNBASE, 0xf???????`
- `Page2pa(page)`
 - Get the physical address of the page (struct PageInfo *)
 - `page2kva(page) == KADDR(page2pa(page))`
- `pa2page(pa)`
 - Get the struct PageInfo *page that stores information about the pa
- To get the pa for kva?
 - `pa2page(PADDR(kva))`

Type and Casting

- `uintptr_t`
 - Used for indicating a virtual address (`uint32_t`)
 - Can be accessed in your C code
- `physaddr_t`
 - Used for indicating a physical address (`uint32_t`)
 - Cannot be accessed in your C code (must be converted by `KADDR`)
- `(void *)`, `(char *)`
 - Pointers, virtual address

Type and Casting

- How to use `uintptr_t va`?
 - `(void *)va`
 - `char * c = (char *)va; c[0];`
 - `int *i = (int *)va; i[0];`
 - `struct PageInfo *pp = (struct PageInfo *) va;`
- How to use `physaddr_t pa`?
 - We can't access physical address directly; use `KADDR(x)`
 - `KADDR(x)` adds `KERNBASE` to `x`
 - `char *c = (char *) KADDR(pa); c[0];`
 - `struct PageInfo *pp = (struct PageInfo *) KADDR(pa);`