

## Unit OS5: Memory Management

### 5.5. Lab Manual

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## Roadmap for Section 5.5.

- Dynamic Link Library (DLL) Usage
- Viewing the Working Set
- Inspecting the Page Frame Number Database
- Perfmon and memory-related counters
- Monitoring page file consumption

## Viewing DLLs and Memory Mapped Files

The screenshot shows Process Explorer with Notepad.exe selected. The 'Loaded DLLs' pane is expanded, displaying a list of DLLs loaded by the process. The status bar at the bottom indicates CPU Usage: 3.88%, Commit Charge: 39.91%, and Processes: 44.

Process	PID	CPU	Description	Compan...	Priority
internet.exe	1248		Keyboard Langua...	Microsoft...	8
wcescomm.exe	1148		Connection Mana...	Microsoft...	8
CmLUC.exe	1304				8
PcfMgr.exe	1064		PDF Manager Lo...	Phoenix ...	8
explorer.exe	1356		Windows Explorer	Microsoft...	8
CMD.EXE	740		Windows NT Co...	Microsoft...	8
procexp.exe	1616	2.91	Sysinternals Proc...	Sysintern...	13
notepad.exe	1672		Notepad	Microsoft...	8

Name	Path	Description	Company Name	Version
WMHook.dll	D:\Program Files\Sony\Jog Dial Utility\...	WMHook	Sony Corporation	1.00.0000.0001
WINSPOOL.DRV	C:\WINNT\system32\WINSPOOL.DRV	Windows Spooler Driver	Microsoft Corpora...	5.00.2195.6659
SHELL32.DLL	C:\WINNT\system32\SHELL32.DLL	Windows Shell Comm...	Microsoft Corpora...	5.00.3900.7032
KERNEL32.DLL	C:\WINNT\system32\KERNEL32.DLL	Windows NT BASE A...	Microsoft Corpora...	5.00.2195.6946
USER32.DLL	C:\WINNT\system32\USER32.DLL	Windows 2000 USER...	Microsoft Corpora...	5.00.2195.7032
imm32.dll	C:\WINNT\system32\imm32.dll	Windows 2000 IMM3...	Microsoft Corpora...	5.00.2195.6655
SHLWAPI.DLL	C:\WINNT\system32\SHLWAPI.DLL	Shell Light-weight Utili...	Microsoft Corpora...	6.00.2800.1612
rpcrt4.dll	C:\WINNT\system32\rpcrt4.dll	Remote Procedure Ca...	Microsoft Corpora...	5.00.2195.6904
NTDLL.DLL	C:\WINNT\system32\NTDLL.DLL	NT Layer DLL	Microsoft Corpora...	5.00.2195.6899

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## Prefetch Lab

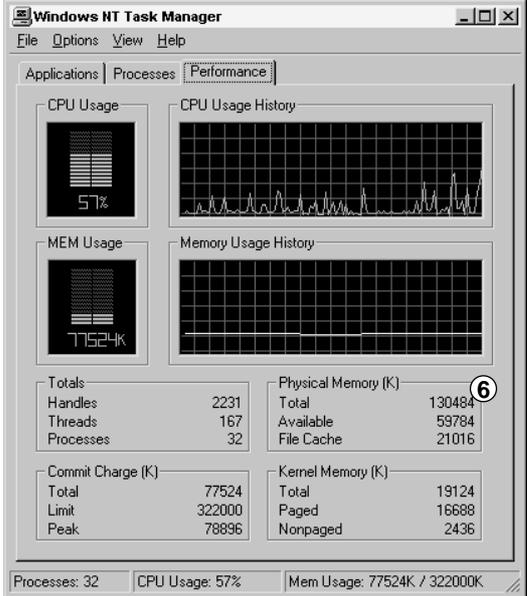
### ● Lab

- Run Filemon – set filter as Notepad.exe
- Make a temporary directory somewhere (e.g. \temp)
- Run “Notepad \temp\x.y”
- Exit Notepad
- Run Notepad again
- In Filemon log, find creation of .PF file after first run, then use of new .PF in 2<sup>nd</sup> run

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## Memory Management Information Task Manager Performance tab

- ⑥ “Available” = sum of free, standby, and zero page lists (physical)
- Majority are likely standby pages
- Windows 2000/XP/Server 2003: count of shareable pages on standby, modified, and modified nowrite list are included in what was “File Cache” in NT4
  - New name is “System Cache”



The screenshot shows the Windows NT Task Manager Performance tab. It displays CPU Usage at 57% and MEM Usage at 77524K. The Physical Memory (K) section shows a total of 130484K, with 59784K available and 21016K in File Cache. The Kernel Memory (K) section shows a total of 19124K, with 16688K paged and 2436K nonpaged. A circled '6' is placed next to the 'Available' value in the Physical Memory section.

Screen snapshot from:  
Task Manager | Performance tab

## PFN Database

- PFN = Page Frame Number  
= Physical Page Number
- PFN Database keeps track of the state of each physical page
  - An array of structures, one element per physical page
  - Maintains reference and share counts for pages in working sets
  - Structure elements implement forward and backward links for free, modified, standby, zero, and bad page lists
  - Does not reflect memory not managed by NT (e.g. adapter ram)

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kd> !pte ff709348
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FF709348 - PDE at C0300FF4 PTE at C03FDC24
          contains 00410063 contains 0049E063
          pfn 00410 DA--KWV pfn 0049E DA--KWV
kd> !pfn 410
!pfn 410
PFN address FFBC180
flink 00000000 blink / share count 000000B0 pteaddress C0300FF4
reference count 0001 color 0
restore pte 00000000 containing page 00030 Active
    
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Screen snapshot from: kernel debugger !pte command  
use resulting displayed PFN on !pfn command



## PFN Database

- Only way to get actual size of physical memory lists is to use !memusage in Kernel Debugger

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lkd> !memusage
loading PFN database
          Zeroed:      0 (      0 kb)
          Free:        0 (      0 kb)
          Standby:    139069 (556276 kb)
          Modified:   161 (   644 kb)
ModifiedNoWrite:      0 (      0 kb)
          Active/Valid: 122759 (491036 kb)
          Transition:    8 (    32 kb)
          Unknown:      0 (      0 kb)
          TOTAL:    261997 (1047988 kb)
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Screen snapshot from:kernel debugger  
!memusage command

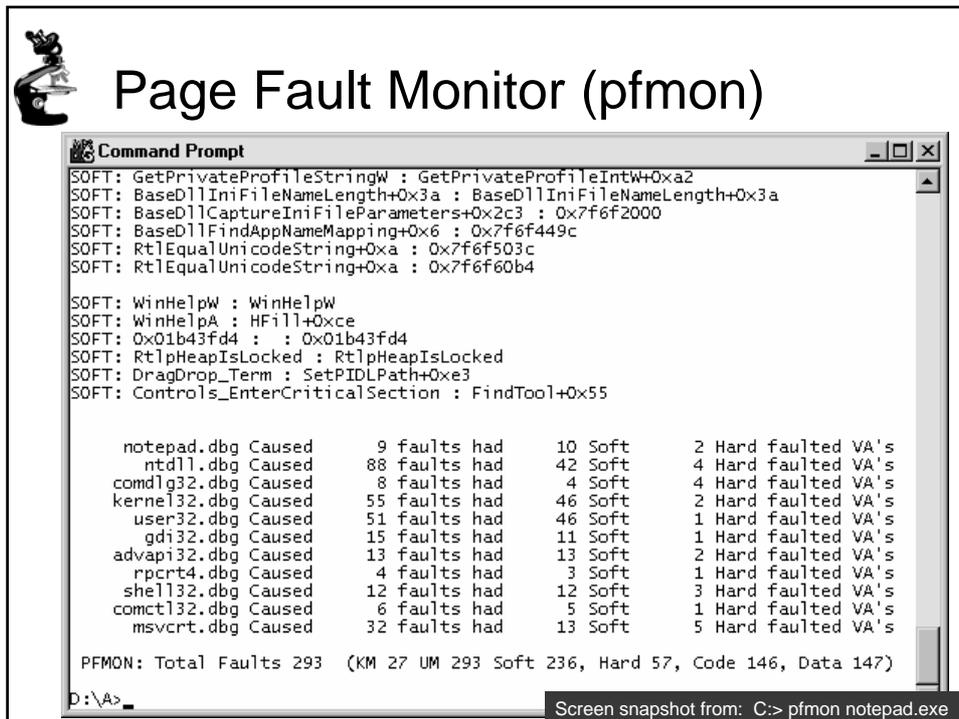
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## Lab: Memory Leaks

- Run Leakyapp.exe (Resource Kit)
- In Task Manager Process tab, watch Mem Usage & VM Size grow (also look at Performance tab Commit limit/peak)
  - Mem Usage will eventually reach an upper limit
  - VM Size will grow until no more page file space

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**Page Fault Monitor (pfmon)**

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Command Prompt
SOFT: GetPrivateProfileStringW : GetPrivateProfileIntW+0xa2
SOFT: BaseDll1IniFileNameLength+0x3a : BaseDll1IniFileNameLength+0x3a
SOFT: BaseDll1CaptureIniFileParameters+0x2c3 : 0x7f6f2000
SOFT: BaseDll1FindAppNameMapping+0x6 : 0x7f6f449c
SOFT: RtlEqualUnicodeString+0xa : 0x7f6f503c
SOFT: RtlEqualUnicodeString+0xa : 0x7f6f60b4

SOFT: WinHelpW : WinHelpW
SOFT: WinHelpA : HFill+0xce
SOFT: 0x01b43fd4 : : 0x01b43fd4
SOFT: RtlpHeapIsLocked : RtlpHeapIsLocked
SOFT: DragDrop_Term : SetPIDLPath+0xe3
SOFT: Controls_EnterCriticalSection : FindTool+0x55

notepad.dbg Caused      9 faults had      10 Soft      2 Hard faulted VA's
ntdll.dbg Caused     88 faults had     42 Soft      4 Hard faulted VA's
cmdlg32.dbg Caused    8 faults had      4 Soft      4 Hard faulted VA's
kernel32.dbg Caused  55 faults had    46 Soft      2 Hard faulted VA's
user32.dbg Caused   51 faults had    46 Soft      1 Hard faulted VA's
gdi32.dbg Caused   15 faults had    11 Soft      1 Hard faulted VA's
advapi32.dbg Caused 13 faults had    13 Soft      2 Hard faulted VA's
rpcrt4.dbg Caused   4 faults had      3 Soft      1 Hard faulted VA's
shell32.dbg Caused  12 faults had    12 Soft      3 Hard faulted VA's
comctl32.dbg Caused  6 faults had      5 Soft      1 Hard faulted VA's
msvcrt.dbg Caused  32 faults had    13 Soft      5 Hard faulted VA's

PFMON: Total Faults 293 (KM 27 UM 293 Soft 236, Hard 57, Code 146, Data 147)
D:\A>
    
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Screen snapshot from: C:> pfmon notepad.exe