

Virtual memory

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1. Virtual memory introduction

Virtual memory benefits:

(a) programmability

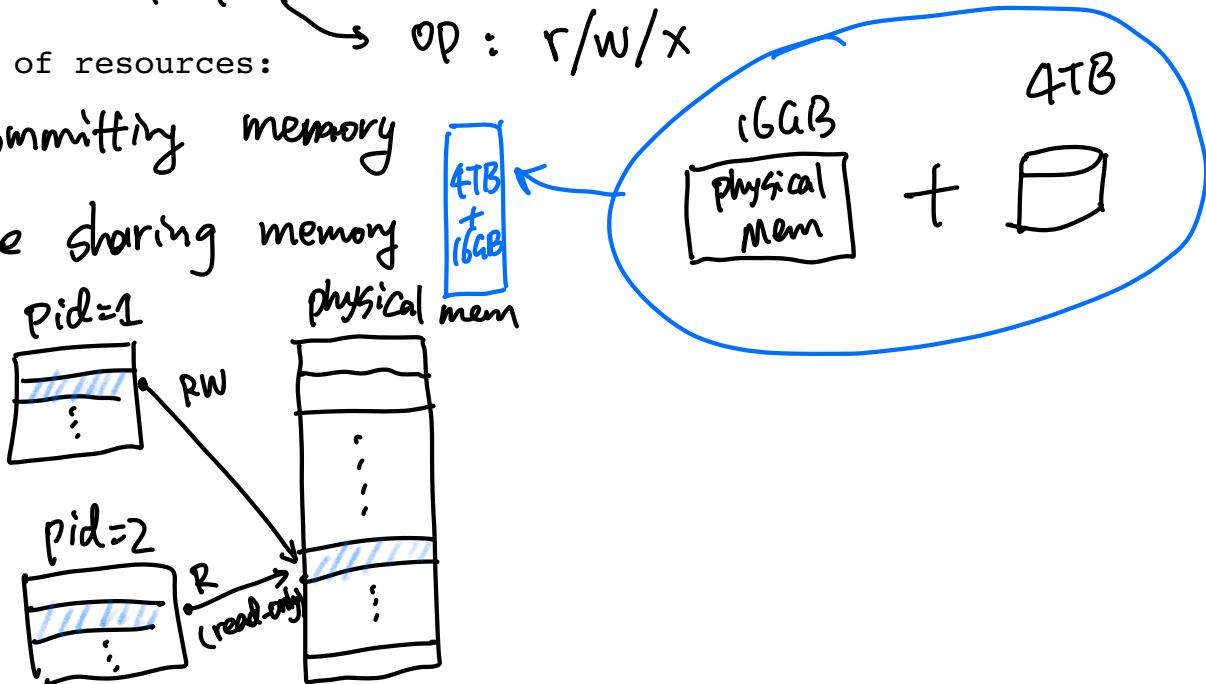
- ① huge contiguous memory address space
- ② multiplexing memory addresses $0x800\ 000$

(b) protection:

- ① separate addr space (isolation)
- ② access control → Priv-level: M/S/U
→ OP: r/w/x

(c) effective use of resources:

- ① overcommitting memory
- ② secure sharing memory



Virtual memory

- ① translation (*)
- ② protection

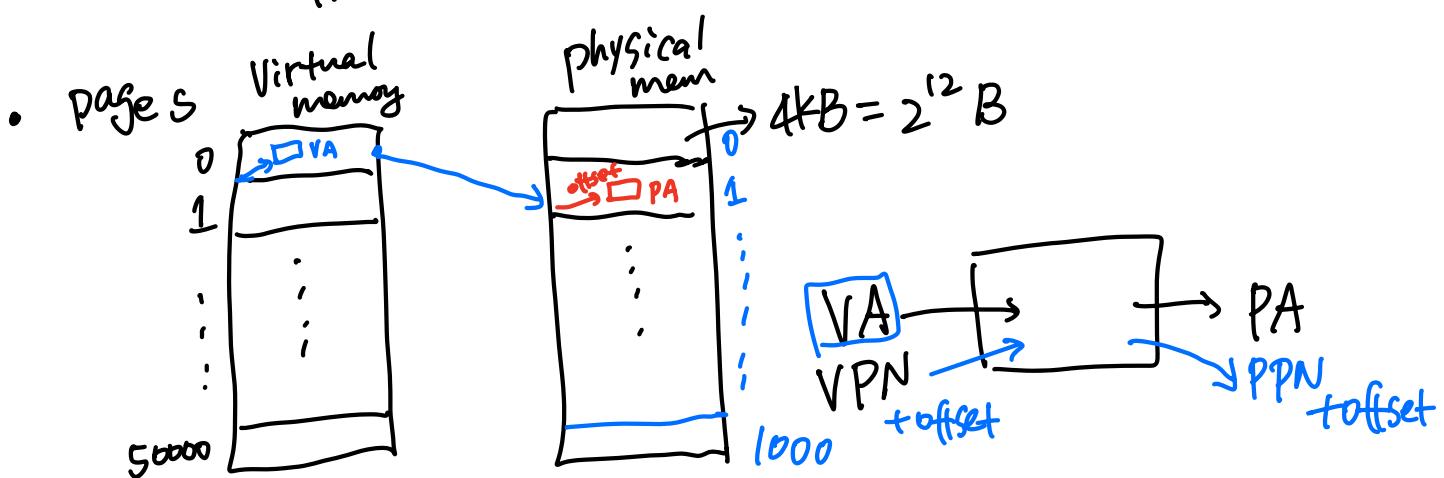
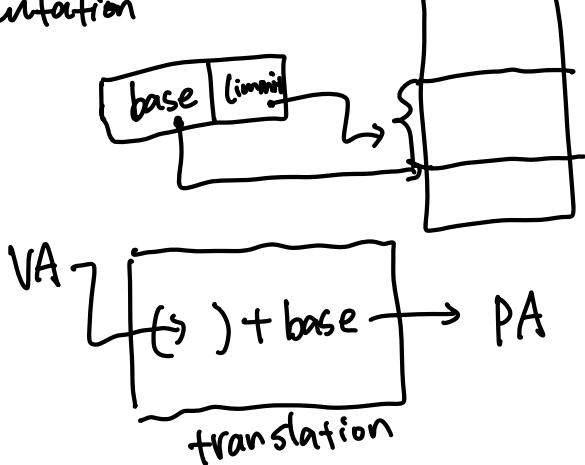
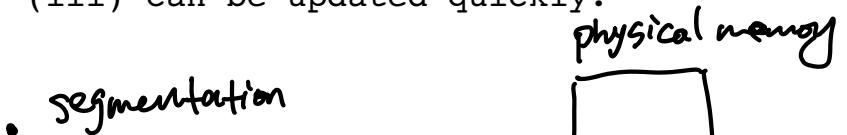
2. Paging

the translation problem:

$$VA \Rightarrow PA$$

and hope this translation

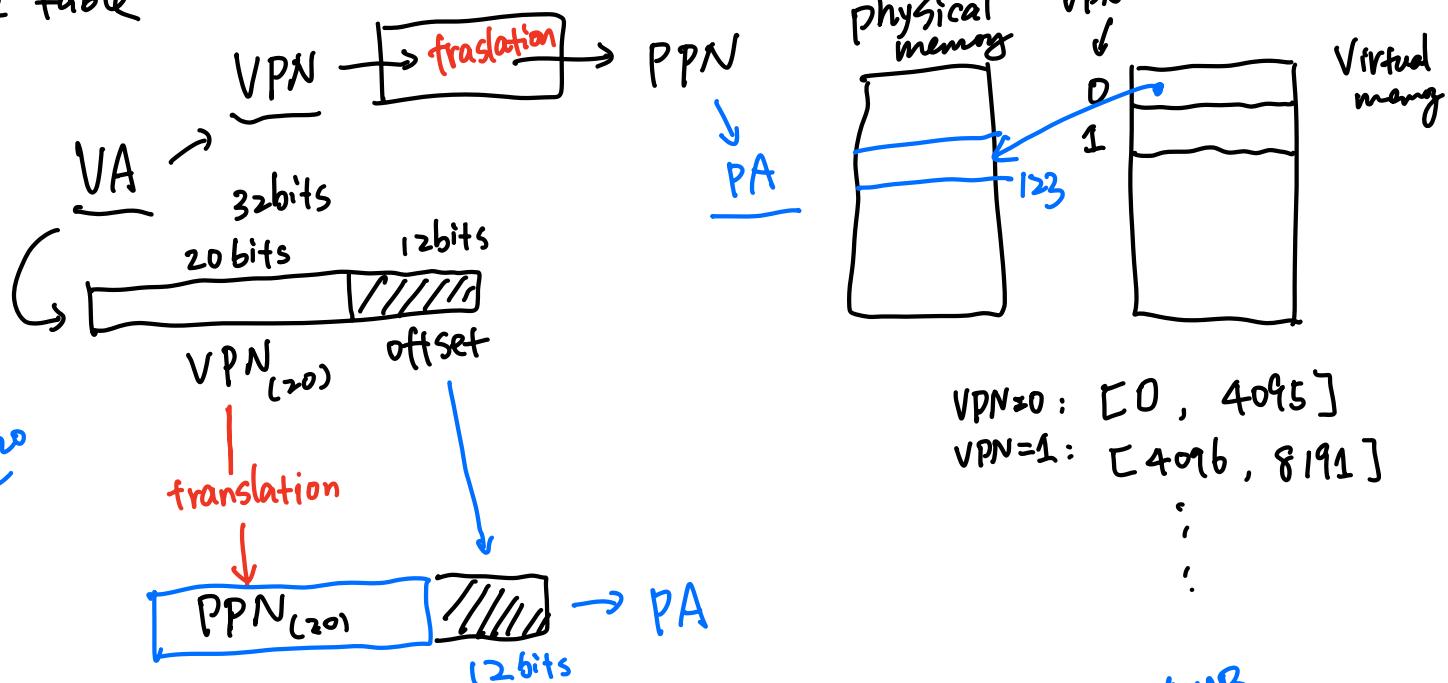
- (i) runs fast,
- (ii) has small memory overhead,
- (iii) can be updated quickly.



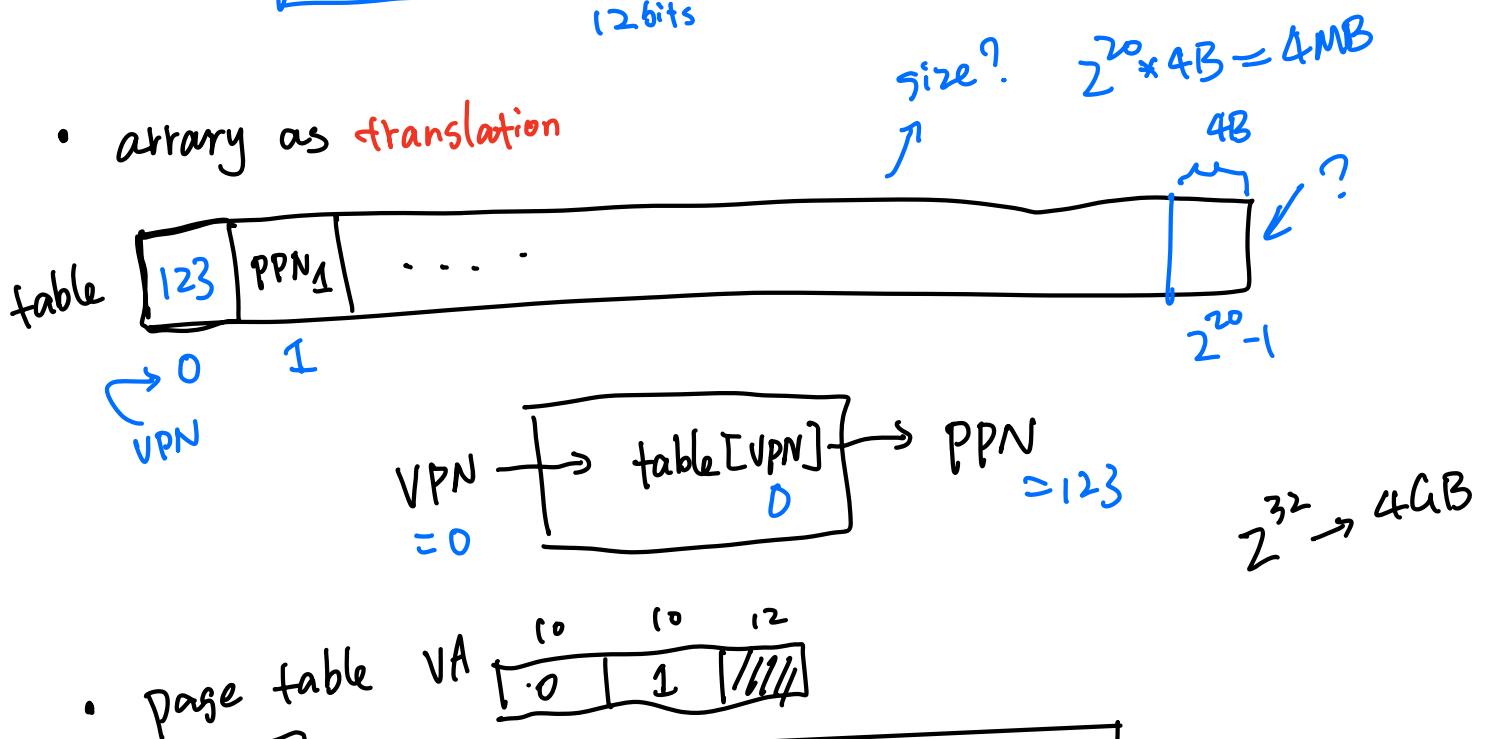
- Who owns the translation?

per-process

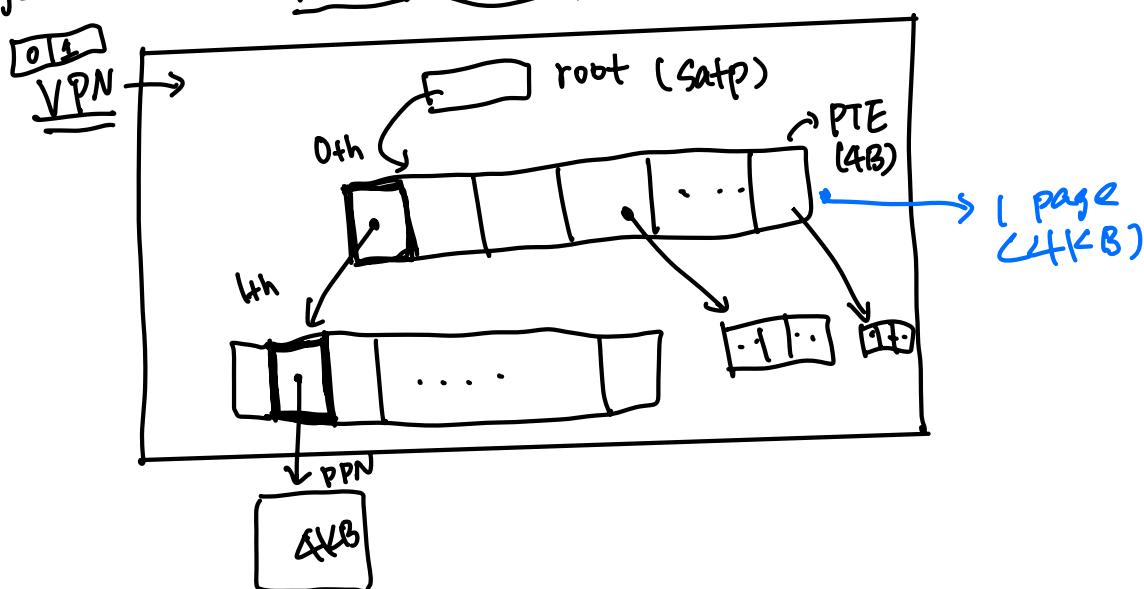
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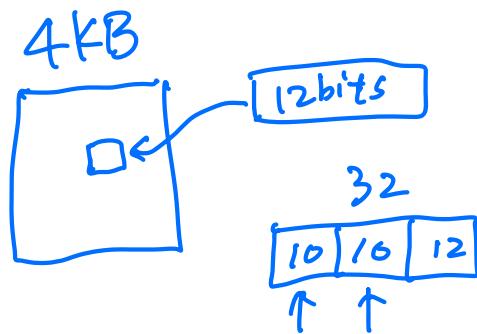
- array as **translation**



- page table



- * PT design space:
 - offset (12 bits)
 - page size (4KB)
 - address length (32 bits)
 - addressable memory unit (1B)
 - depth of the PT (2 layer)
 - PTE size (4B)



$$1024 * 4B = 4KB$$

4. today's virtual memory

