Chapter 3: Memory management

Operationg System

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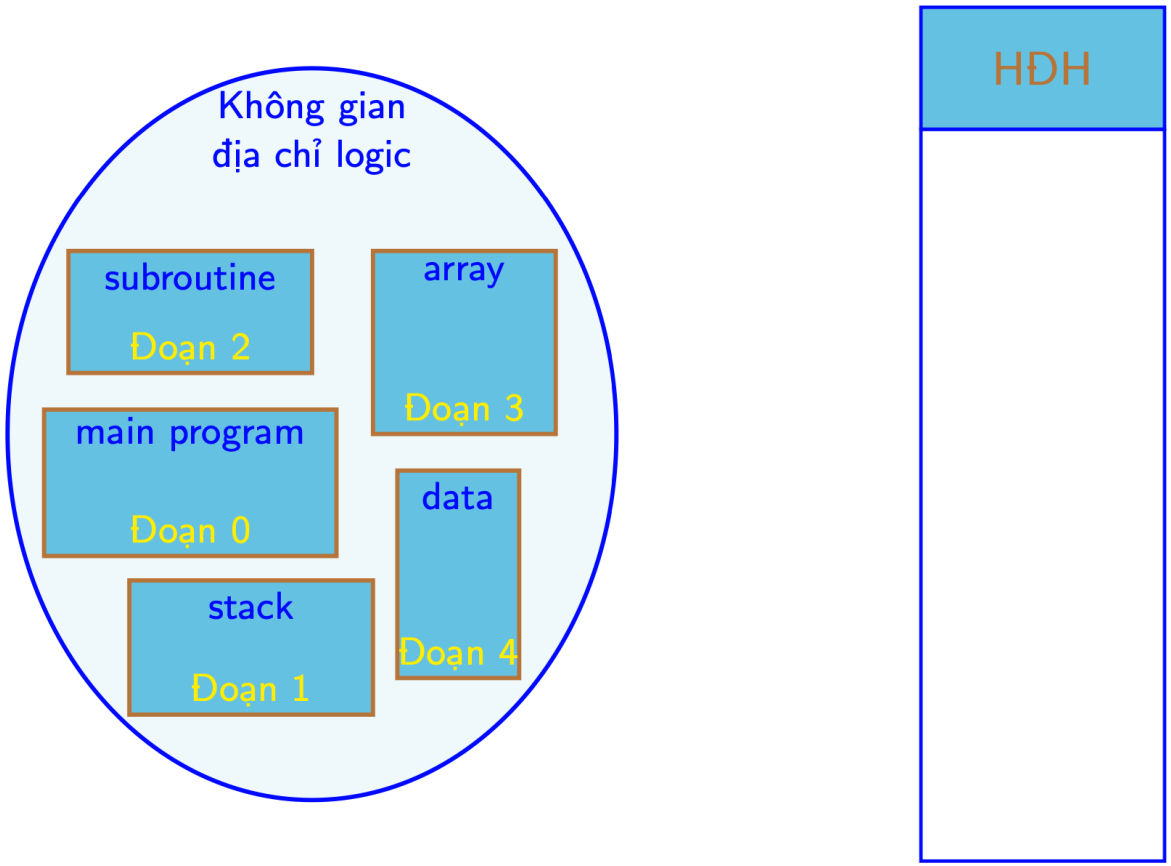
Contents

- The program is usually divided into several parts:
  - A main program
  - Set of subprograms
  - Variables, data structures
- Modules and objects in the program are identified by name:
  - sqrt() function, printf() procedure...
  - x, y, counter, Buffer...
- Elements in the module are determined by offset from the starting position:
  - The 5th statement of the sqrt()...
  - The 12th element of the Buffer array...

How is the program organized in memory?

- When paging, the program is divided into sections **page** are of equal size, regardless of the logical organization and meaning of each element.
- Another way of organization allows dividing the program into **segments** according to a logical structure
  - Program segment - Code segment: contains the entire program code, some functions or procedures of the program.
  - Data segment: contains global variables and arrays.
  - Stack segment: contains the process's stack
- Each segment occupies a continuous region
  - There is a starting position and a size
  - Can be located anywhere in memory
- Objects and elements in each paragraph are determined by their relative position compared to the beginning of the paragraph

Example of memory segmentation



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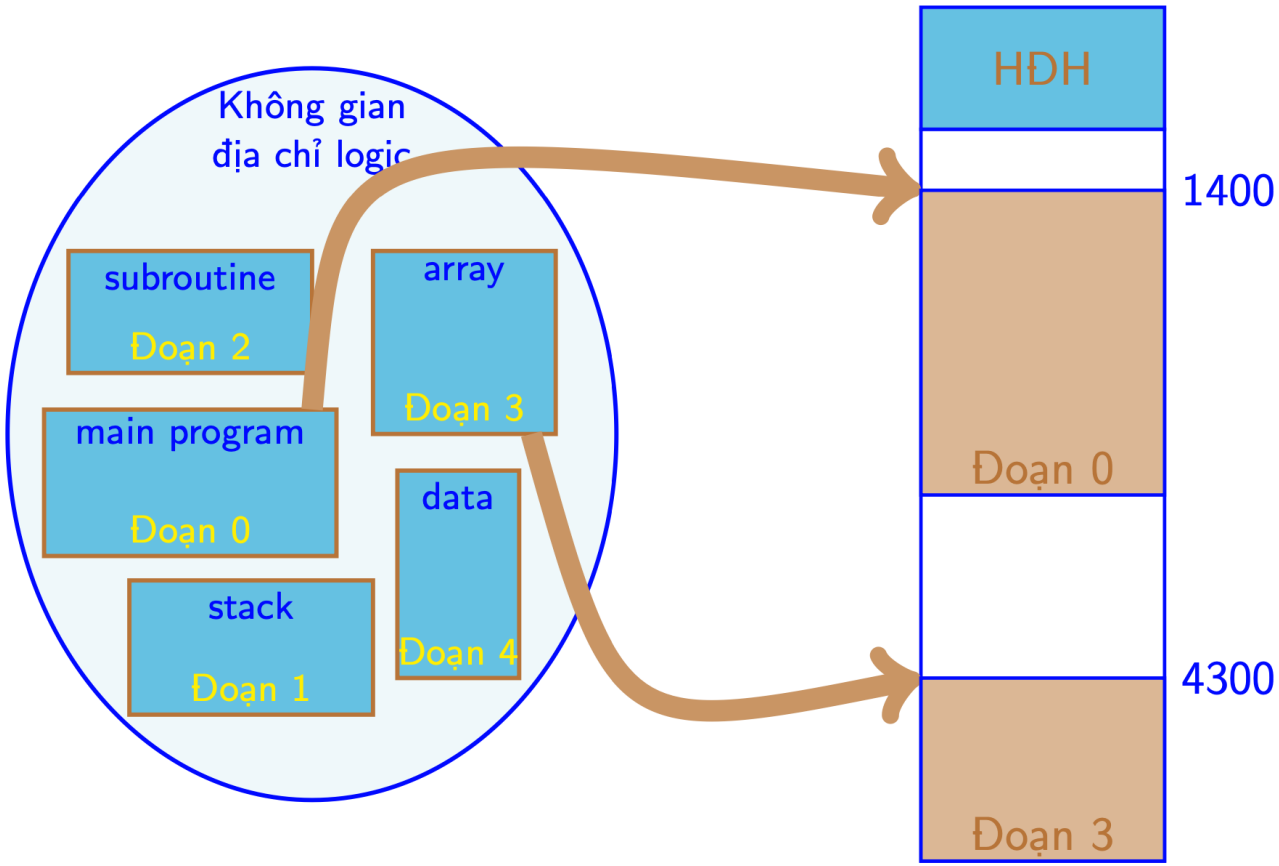

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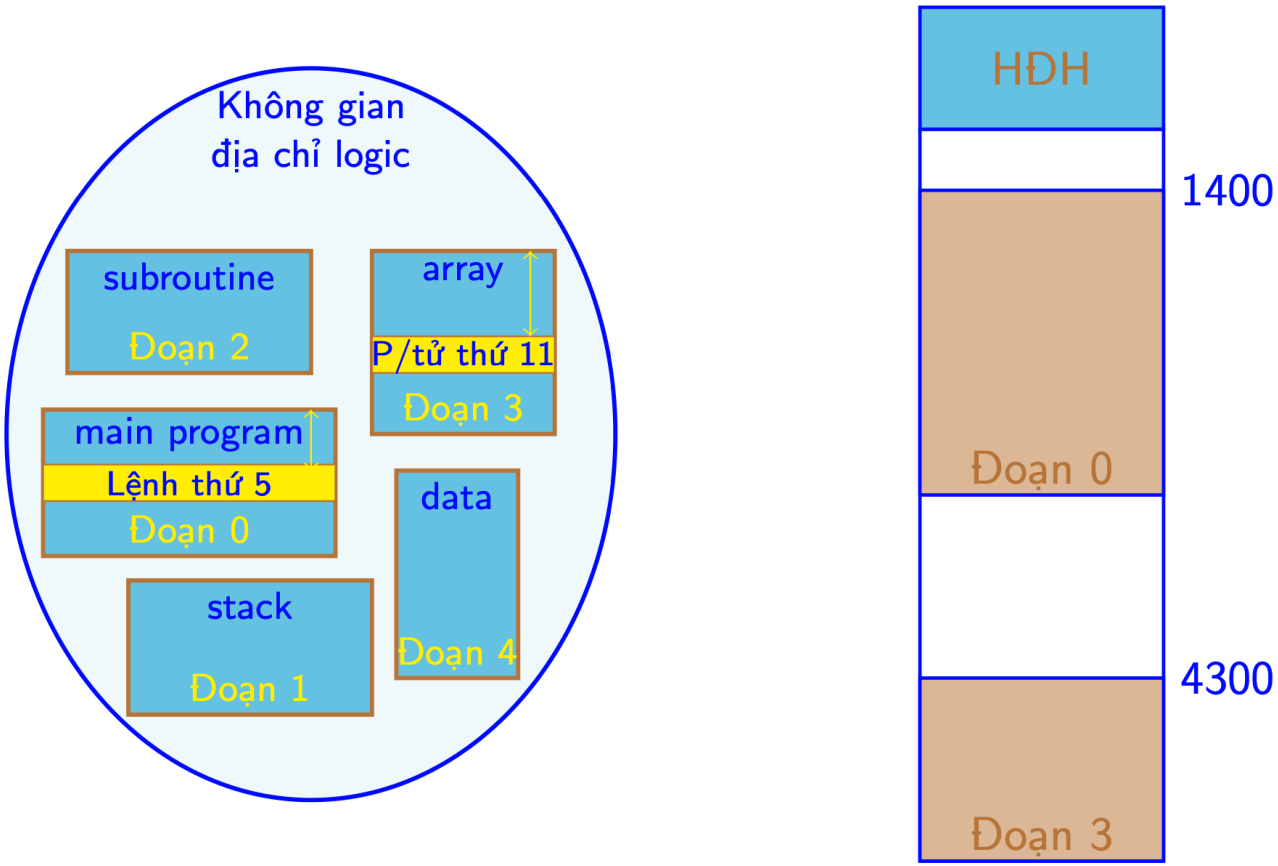

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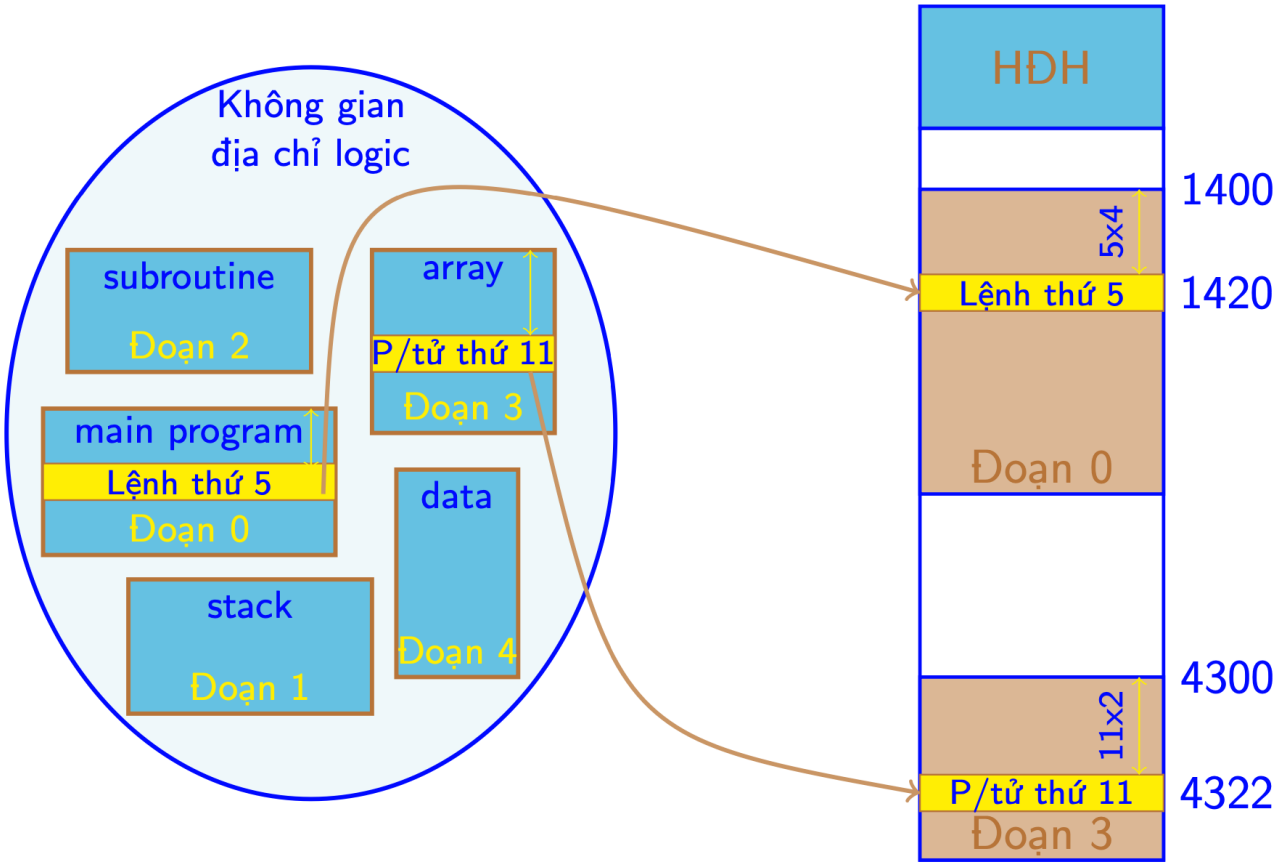
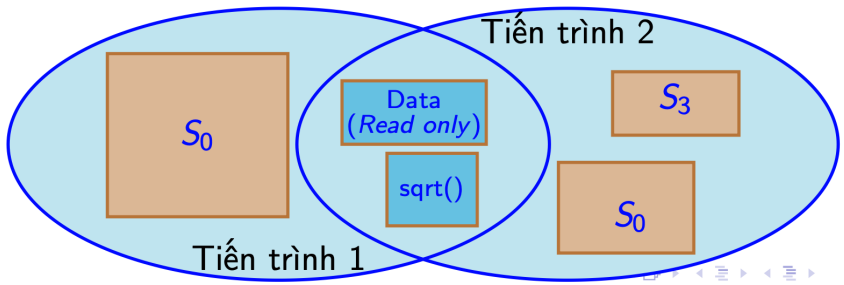


- Compare with dynamic chaptering:
  - **Similar**: memory is allocated in variable-sized regions
  - **Other**: programs can occupy more than 1 segment and do not need to be consecutive in MEM
- Advantage:
  - Avoid internal fragmentation, easily organize memory
  - Easily share fragments between different processes



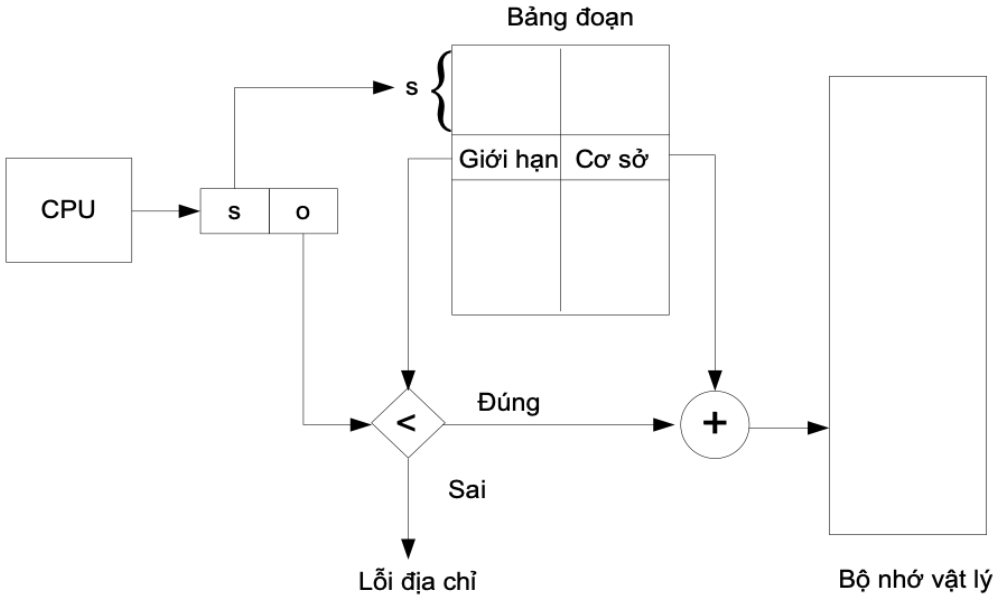
  - The size of each segment can be changed without affecting other segments
- disadvantages: There is external fragmentation

- Use **segment table** (**SCB**: *Segement Control Block*) for each process. Each element of the table corresponds to a paragraph, containing:

	Mark	Address	Length
0			
⋮	...	...	...
n	...	...	...

  - Mark (**Mark (0/1)**): The segment already exists in memory
  - Base address (**Address**): The starting location of the segment
  - Segment length (**Length**): Used to prevent unauthorized access outside the segment
- Logical address consists of 2 components (s, o):
  - s: serial number, paragraph name
  - o: translation in paragraph
- **Access address**: *<Name of the segment, offset in the segment>*

Memory segmentation (cont.)
Address mapping



- From the segment index s, go to the segment table, find the starting physical address of the segment
- Compare offset o with segment length, if larger => wrong address - Access error
- The desired physical address is the sum of the segment start physical address and the offset address

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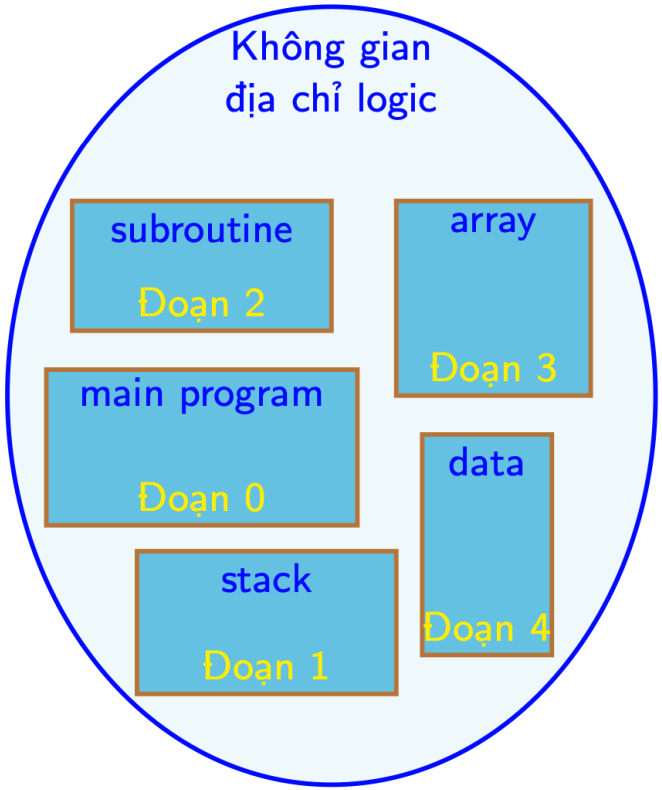

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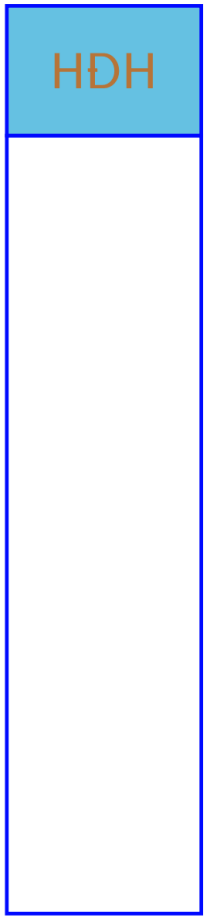
SCB		



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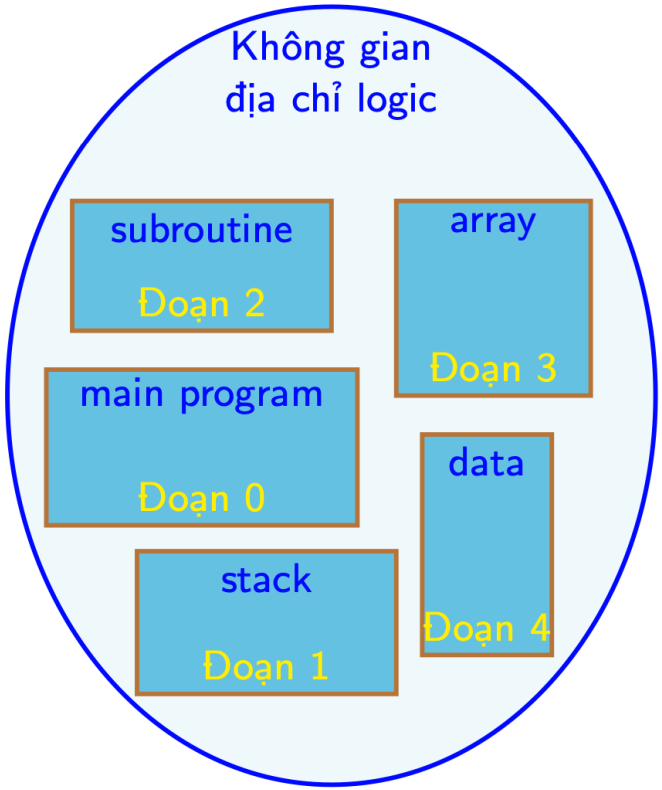

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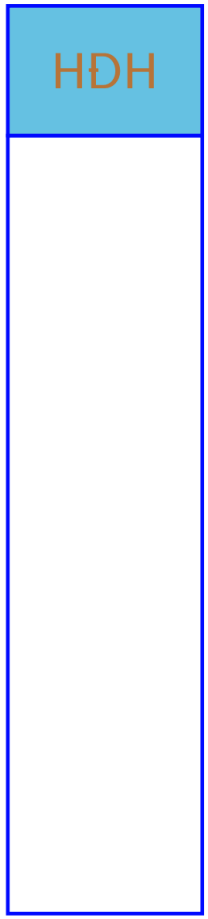

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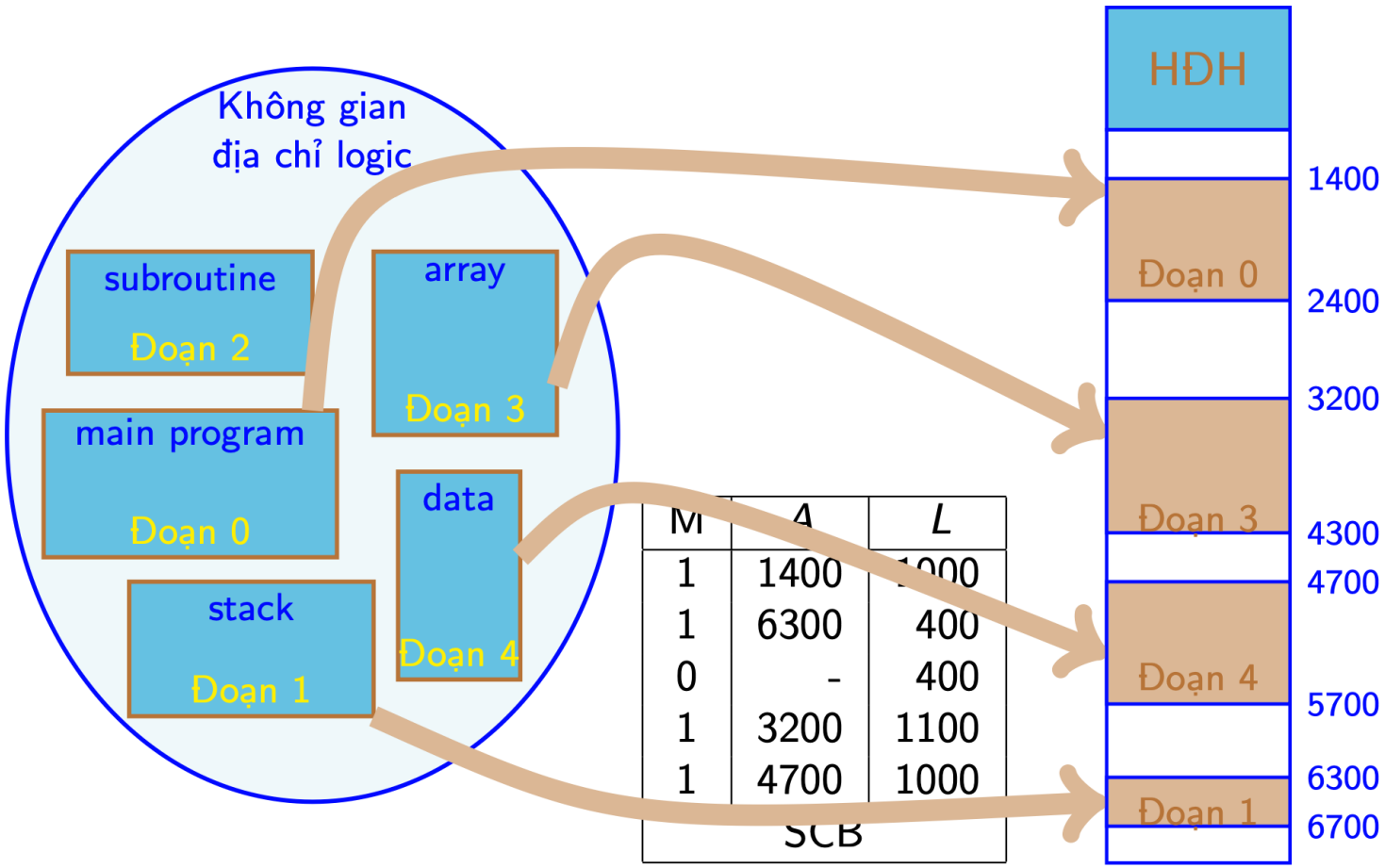

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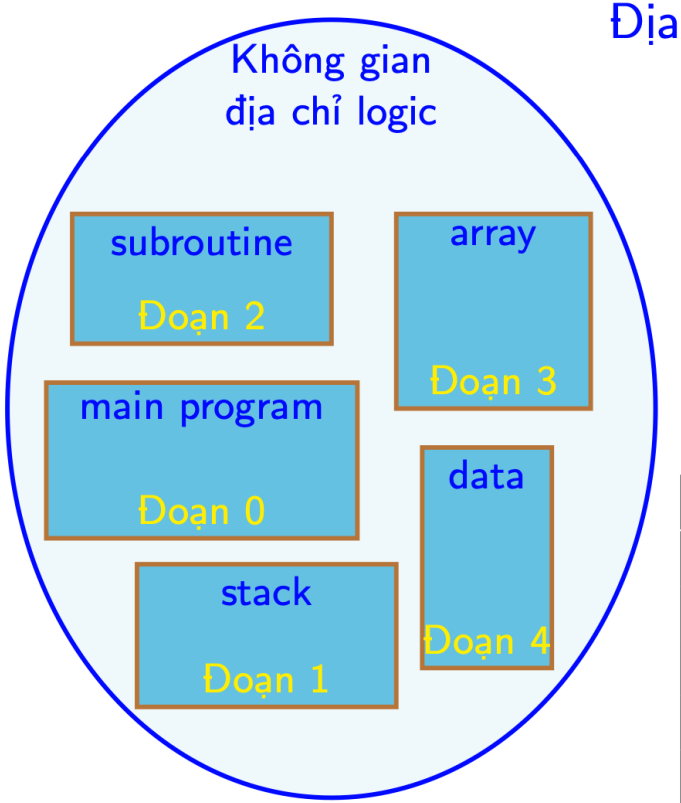

Địa chỉ <3,345> = ?

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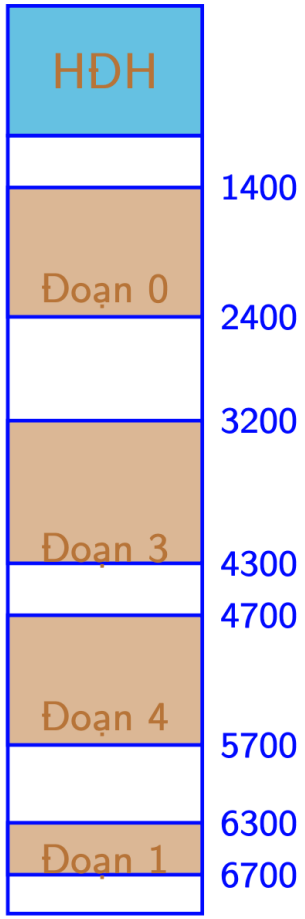
0	-	400
1	3200	1100
1	4700	1000
SCB		



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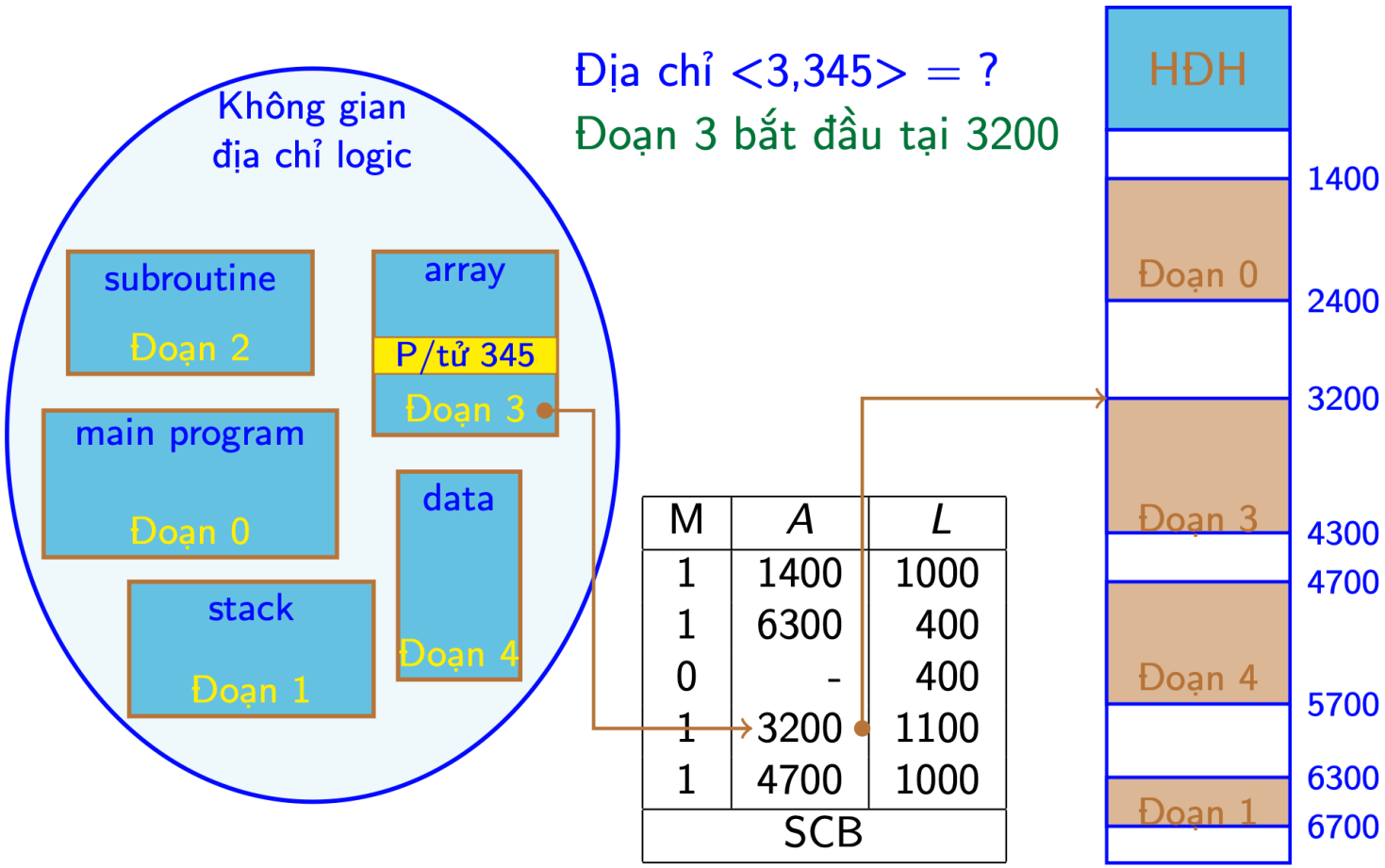

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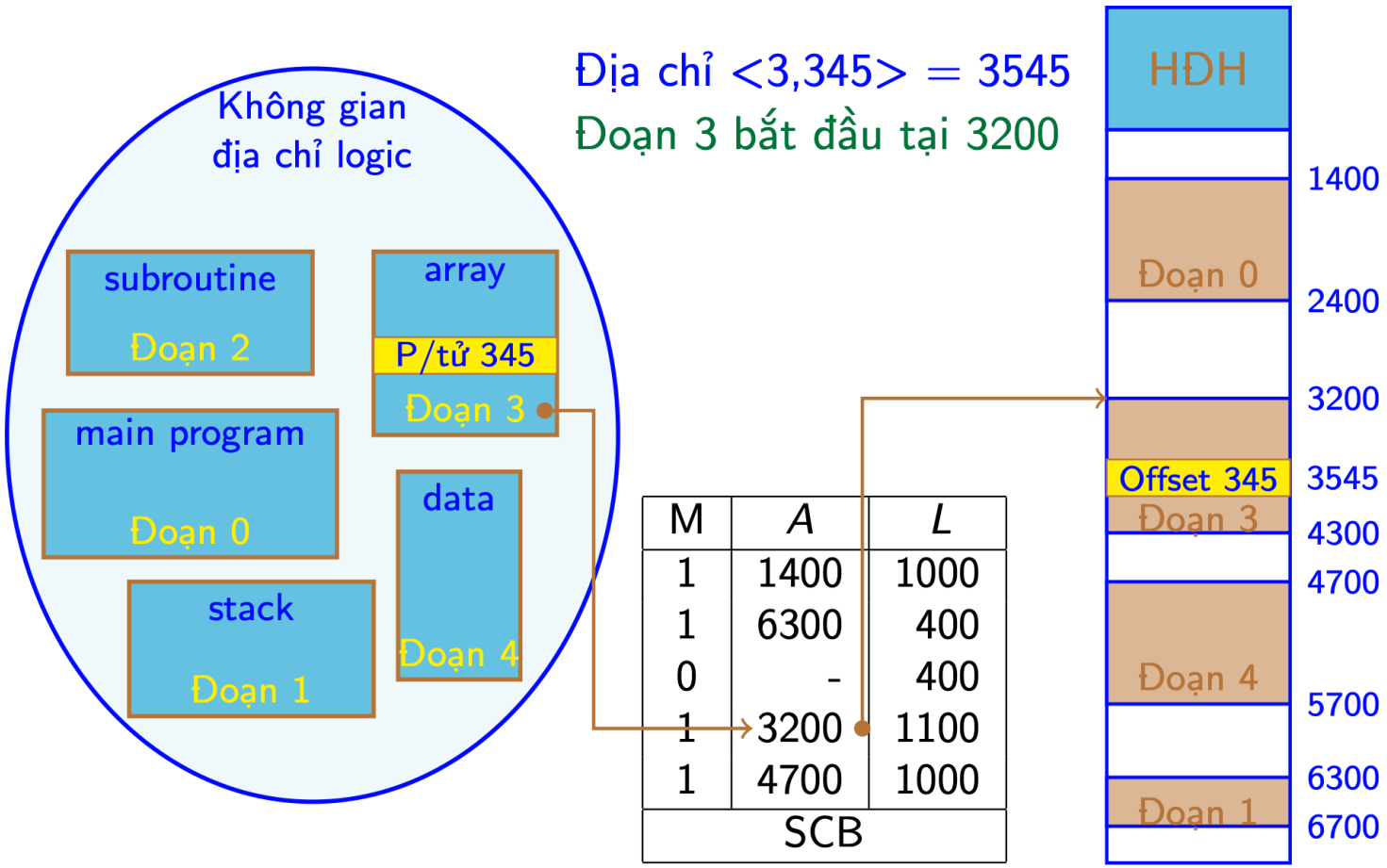

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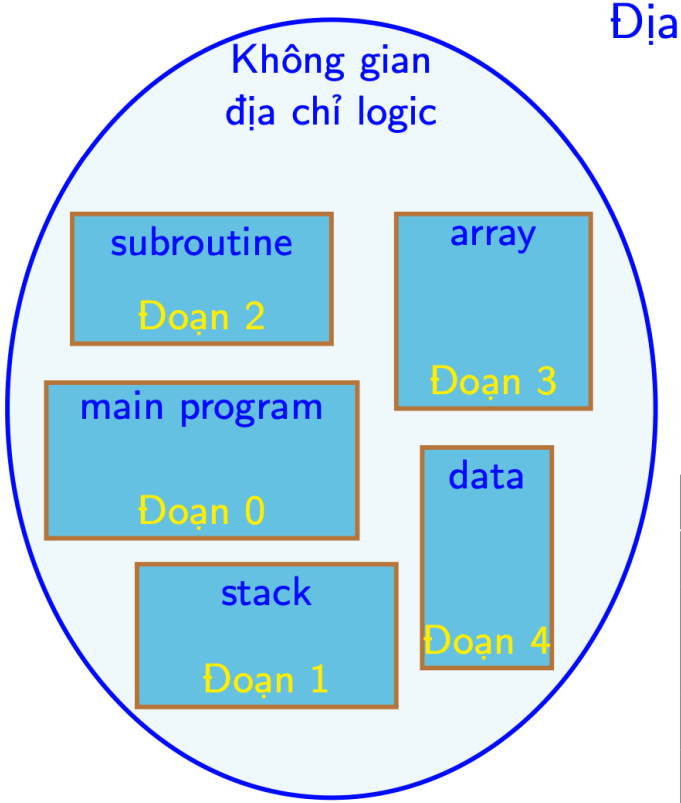

Địa chỉ <1,240> = ?

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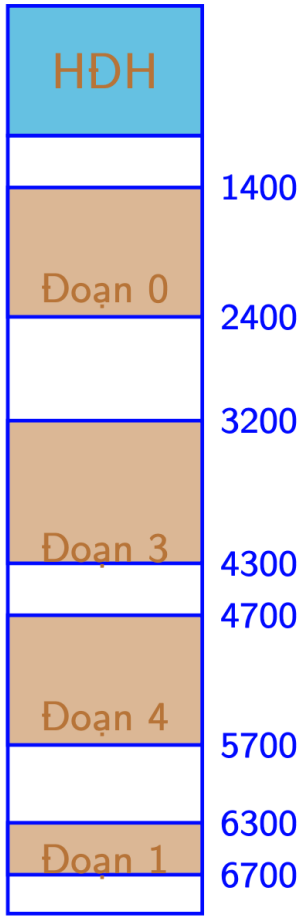
1	1400	1000
1	6300	400
0	-	400
1	3200	1100
1	4700	1000
SCB		



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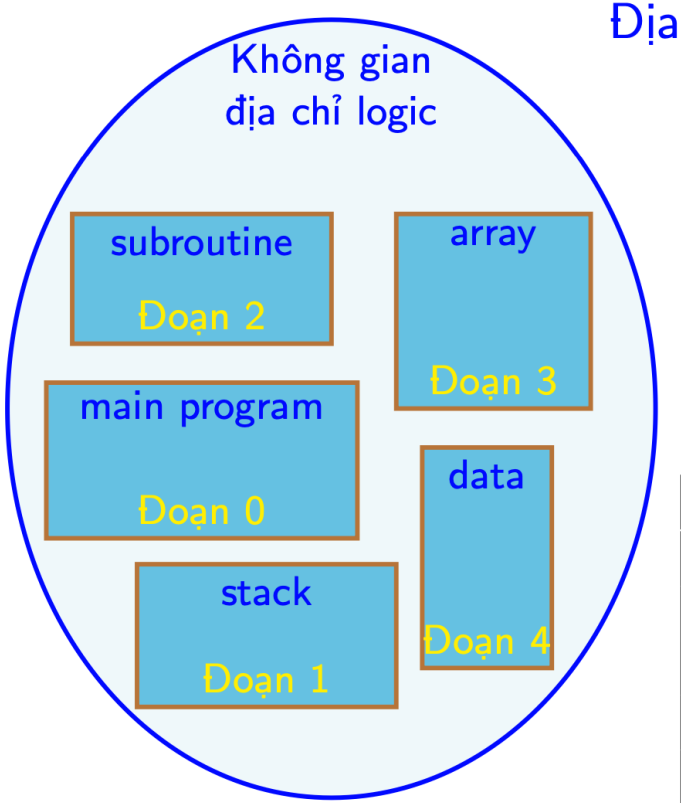

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1	3200	1100
1	4700	1000
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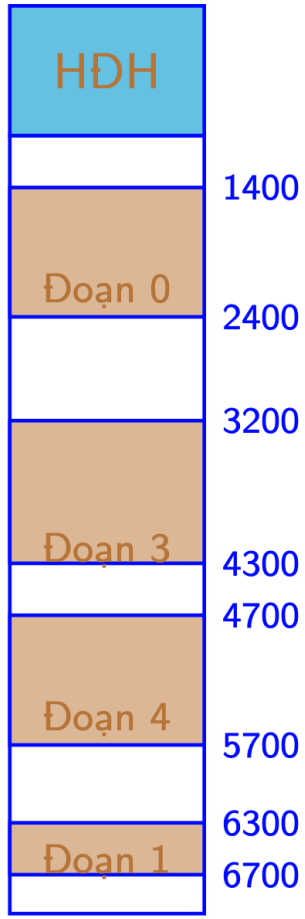

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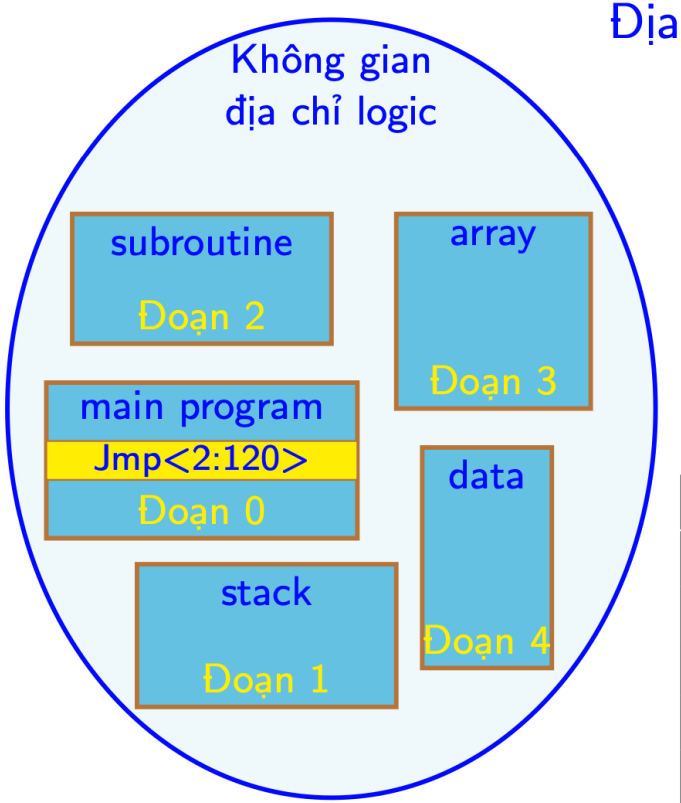

Địa chỉ <2,120> = ?

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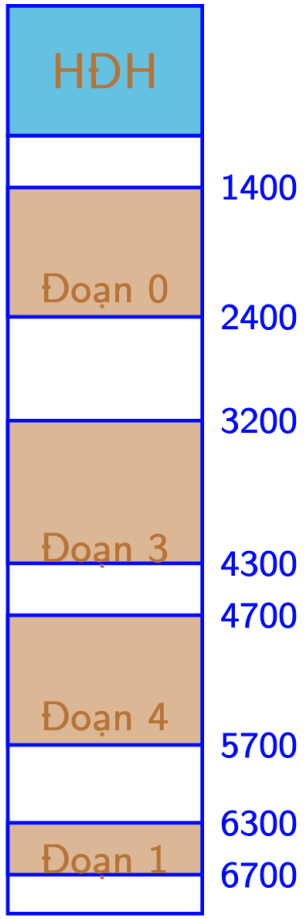
1	6300	400
0	-	400
1	3200	1100
1	4700	1000
SCB		



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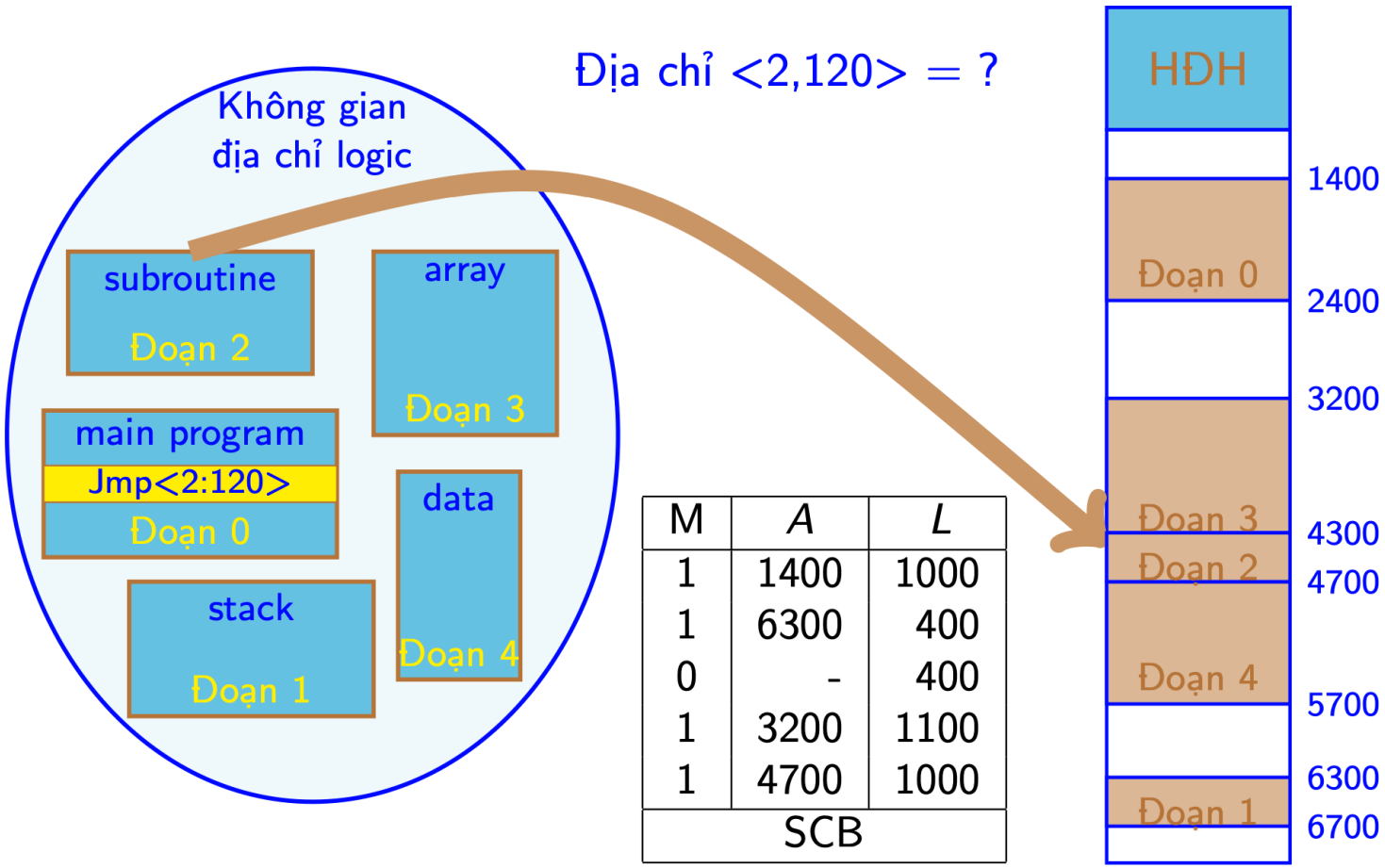

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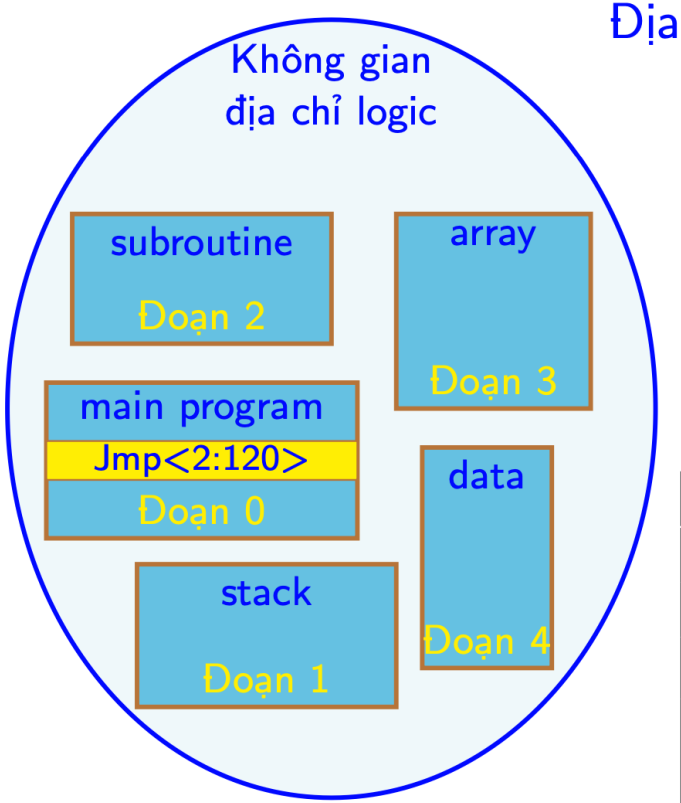

Địa chỉ <2,120> = ?

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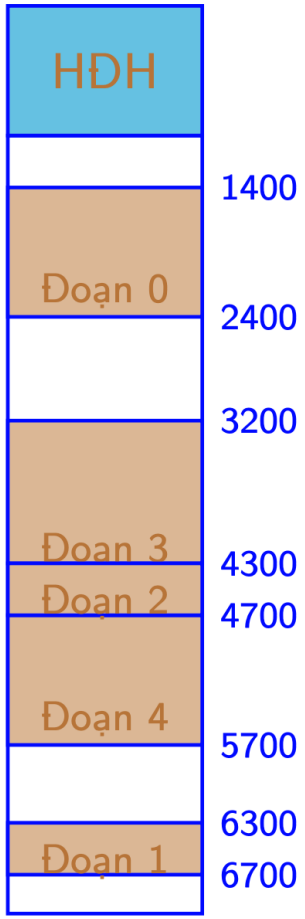
1	1400	1000
1	6300	400
1	4300	400
1	3200	1100
1	4700	1000
SCB		



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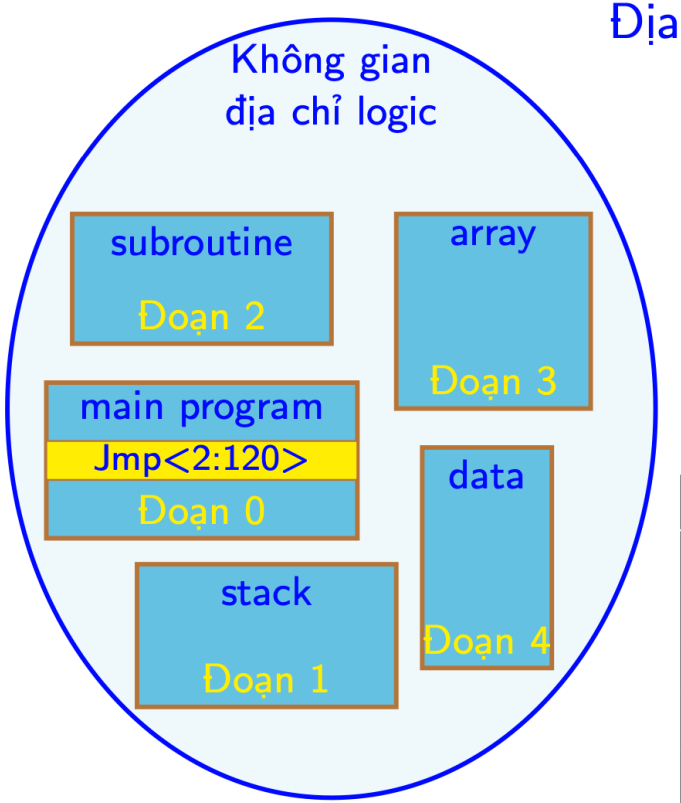

Địa chỉ <2,120> = 4420

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1	3200	1100
1	4700	1000
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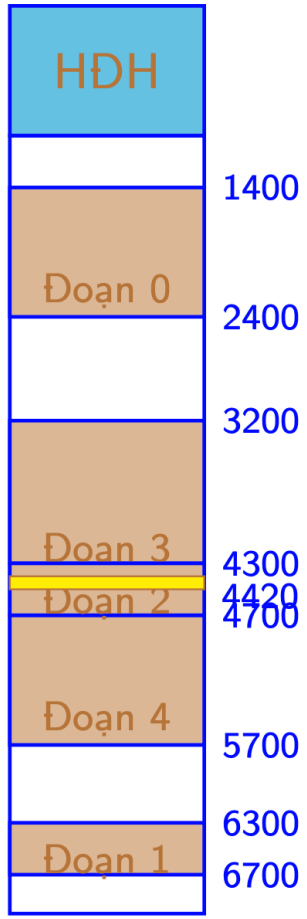

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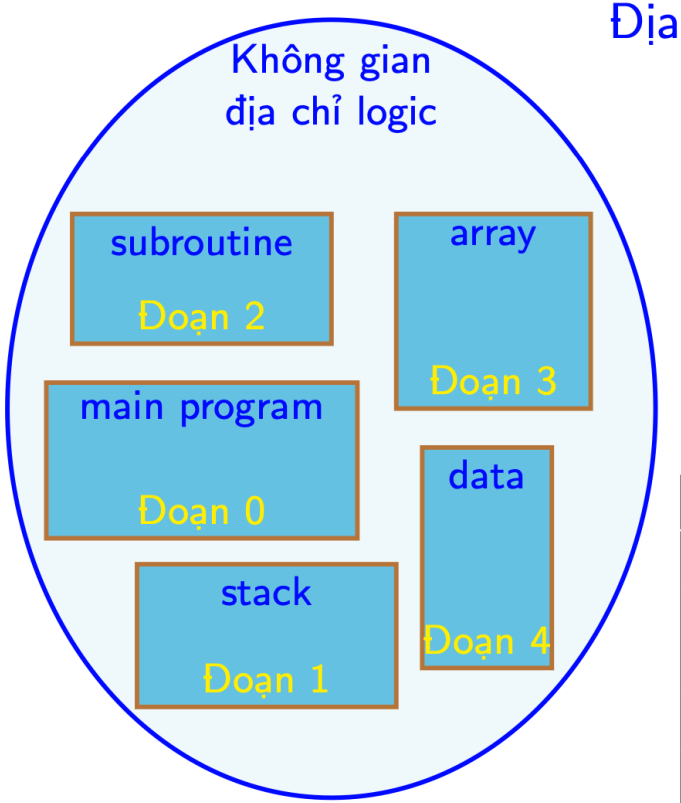

Địa chỉ <2,450> = ?

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1	4700	1000
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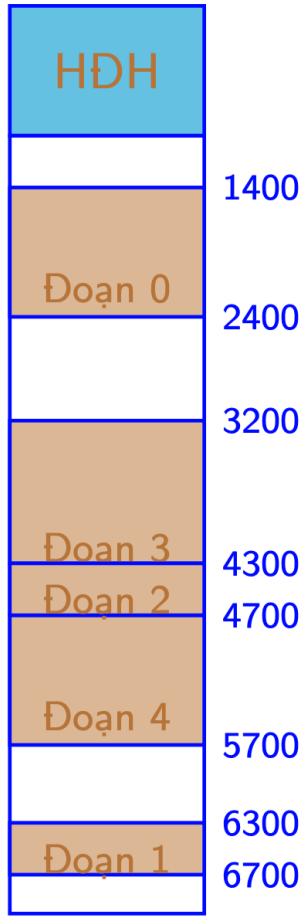

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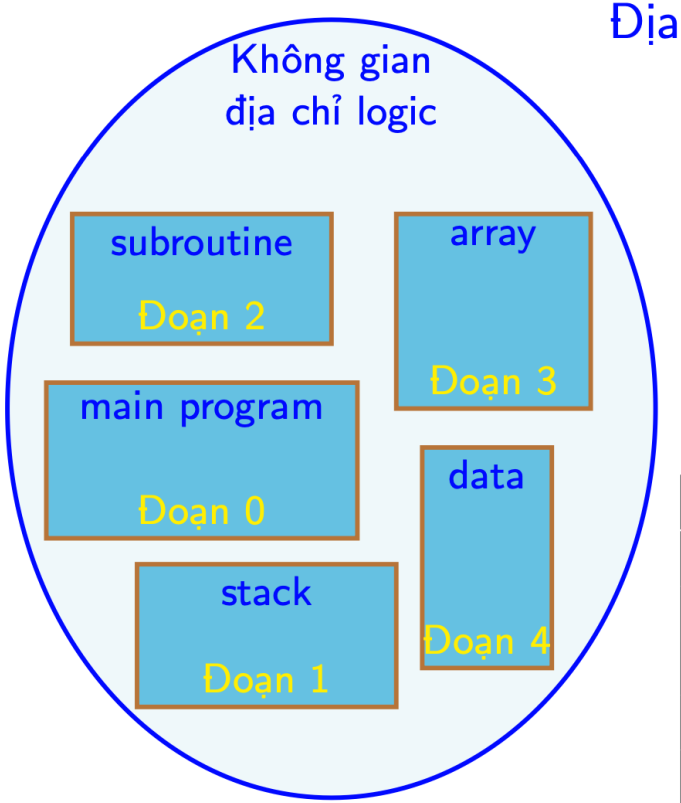

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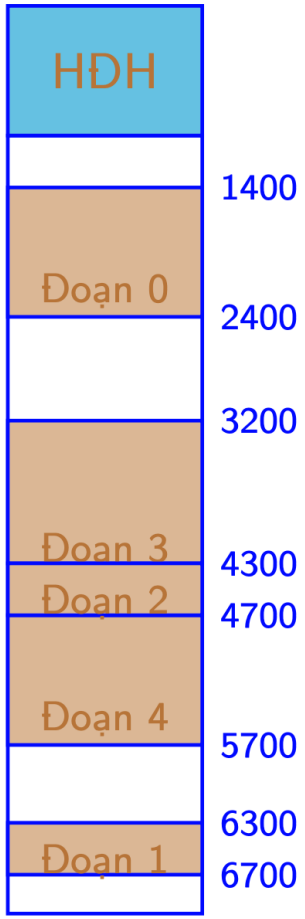
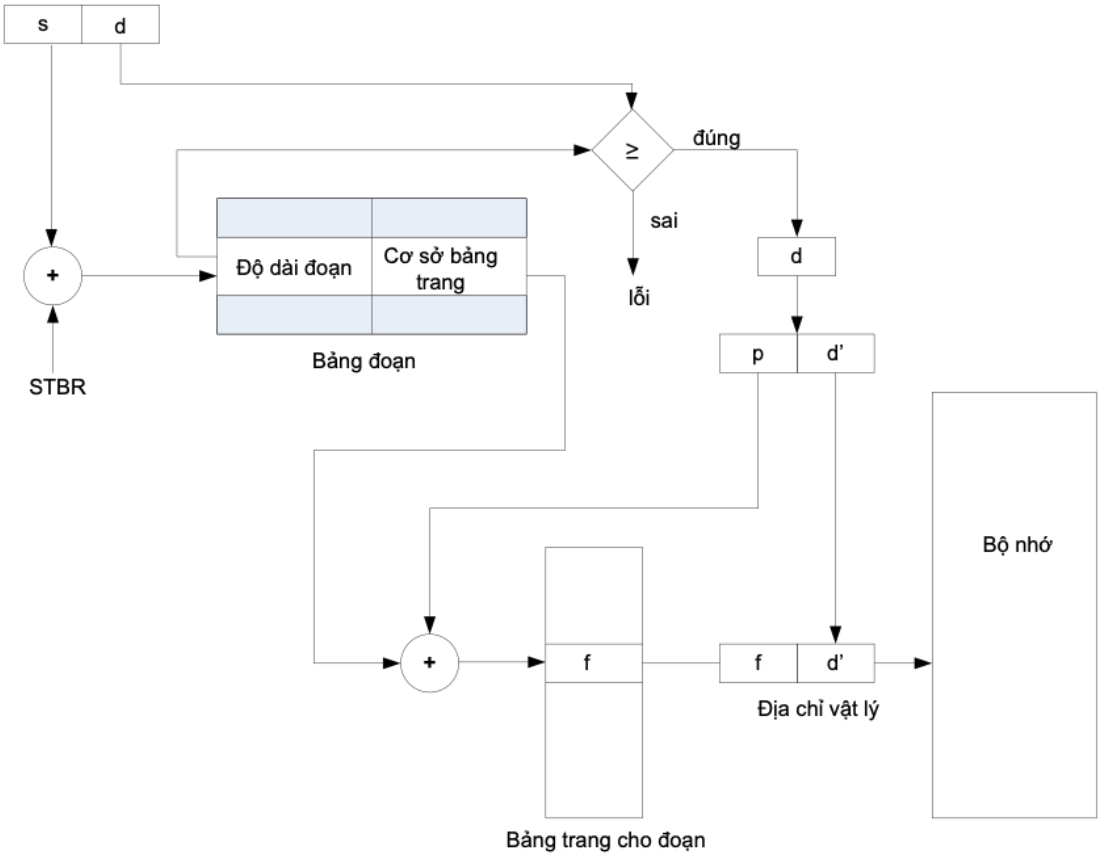


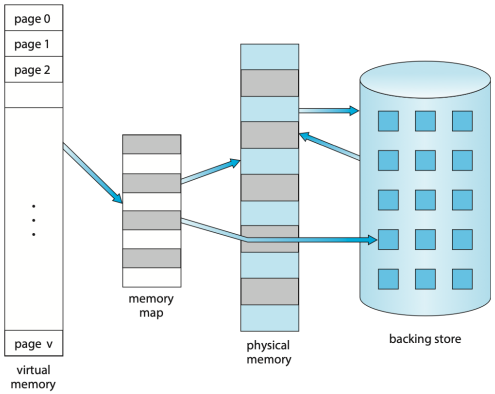
- Program segments, each segment will perform paging
- The address includes: paragraph number, page number, page offset
- The process has 1 segment table, each segment has 1 page table



Virtual memory

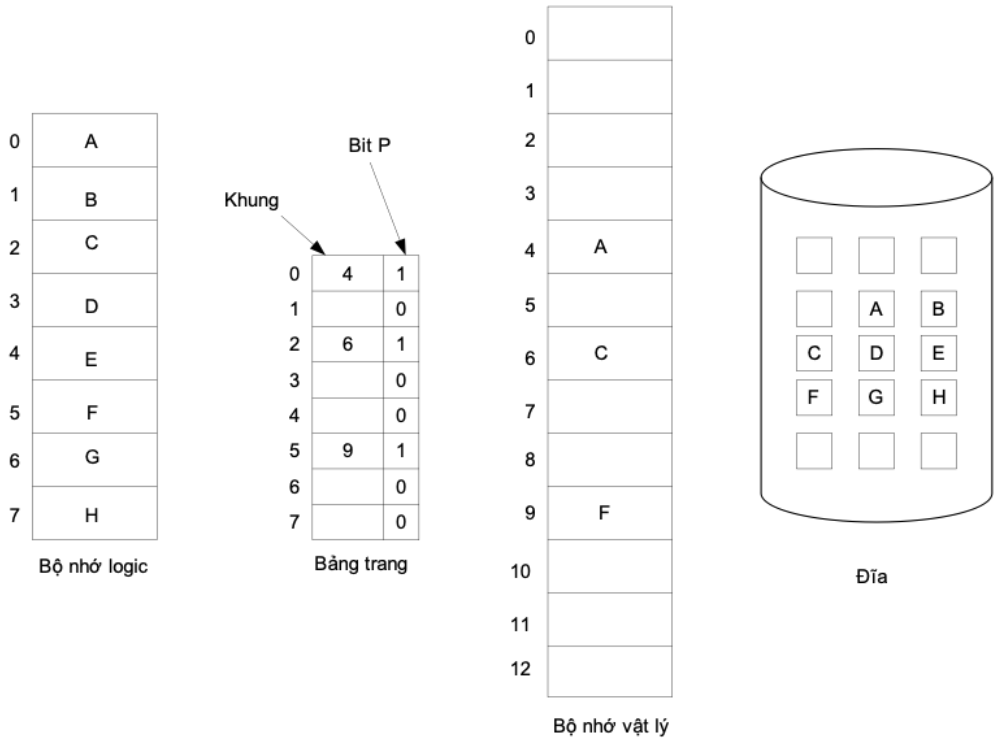
- The purpose of a computer system: to execute programs
- Program and data (*whole or partial*) must reside in main memory, which can be divided into small parts scattered throughout memory during execution
- Not every running process uses all instructions and data with the same frequency
  - It is not necessary that all pages/segments of a process must be present in memory at the same time when the process runs
  - Pages or segments can be swapped from disk to memory when accessed.
- The part of the program that has not been put into main memory is stored in secondary memory (eg: *hard disk*) => **Virtual memory**
  - Allows programmers not to worry about physical memory limits

- Technique for using secondary memory to store processes
- Process sections move in and out between main memory and secondary memory
- Executing the process does not need to load the entire process into main memory

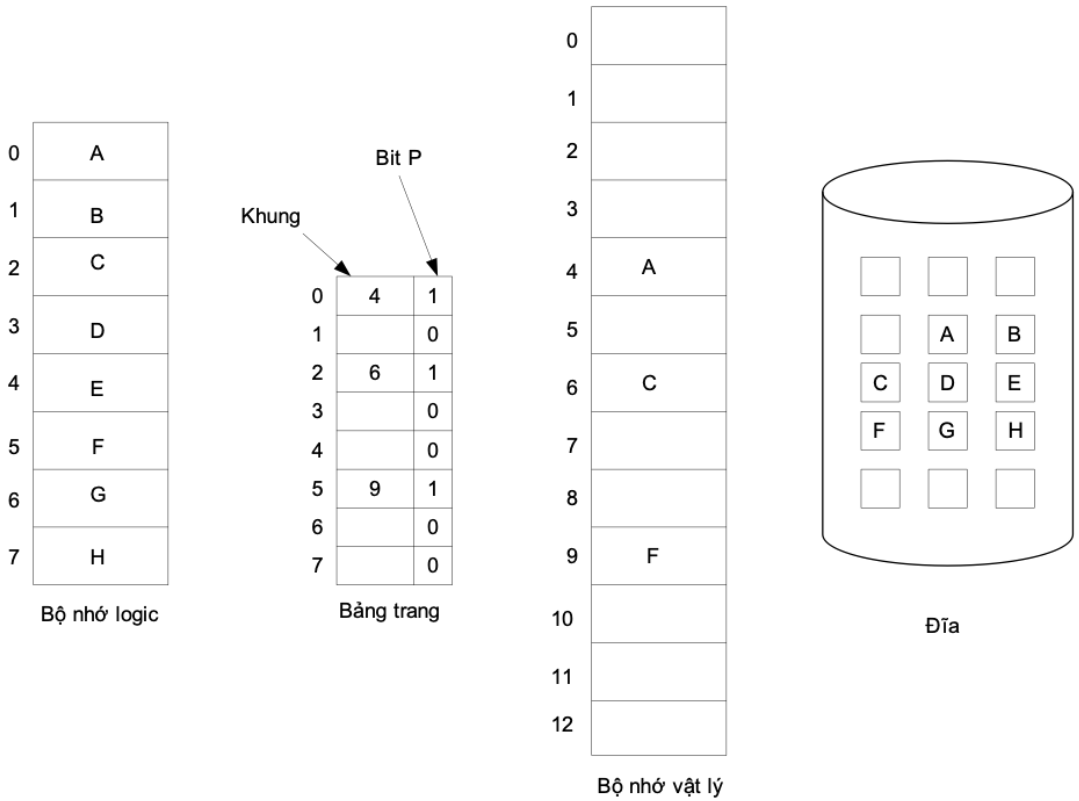


- There are two methods of installing virtual memory techniques:
  - Load pages as needed (*Demand paging*)
  - Load segments as needed (*Demand segmentation*)

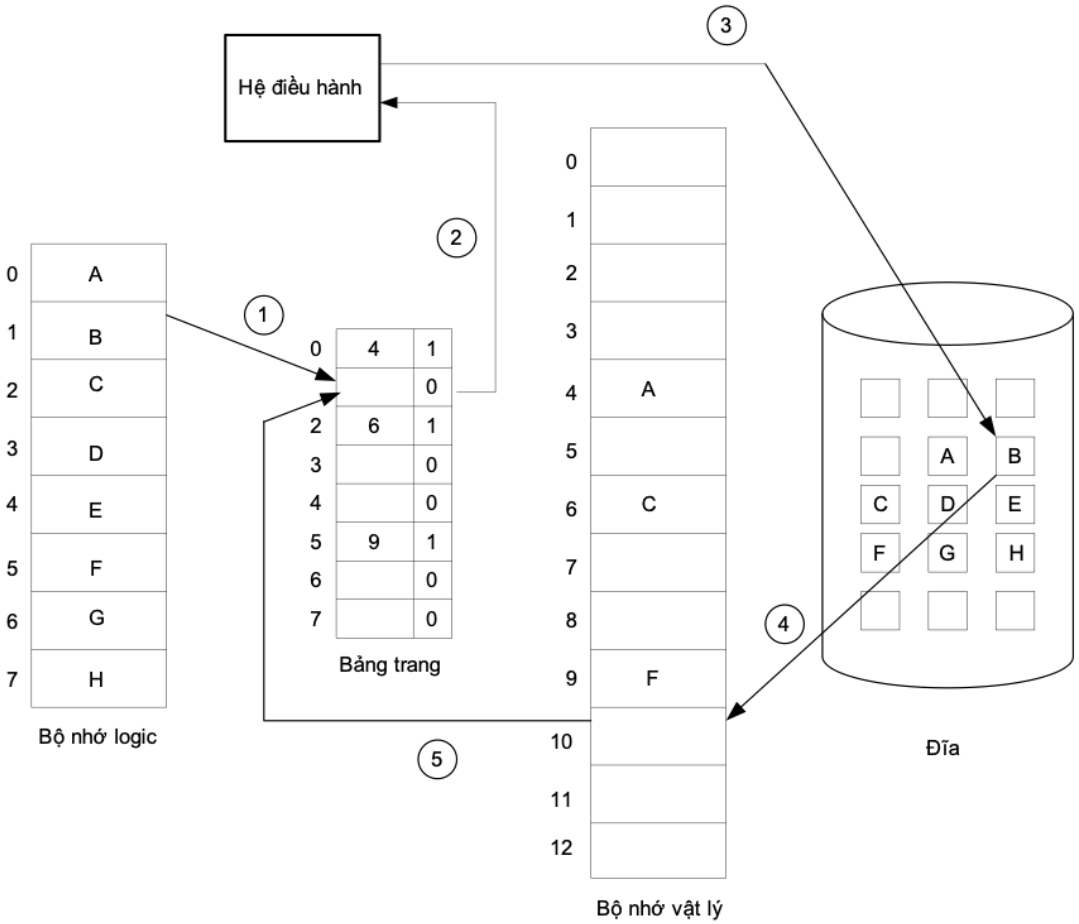
- Load pages on demand based on paging combined with memory-disk swap => Paged process and pages contained on disk
- When executing, load the process into MEM: only load the pages needed => Pages do not have to be loaded at the same time



- Process consists of pages on disk and in MEM: add P bit in page table entry to distinguish (P=1: loaded into MEM)



- Process of checking and loading pages:
  - The process accesses a page, checking the P bit. If P=1, the access occurs normally. If P=0, a missing page event occurs



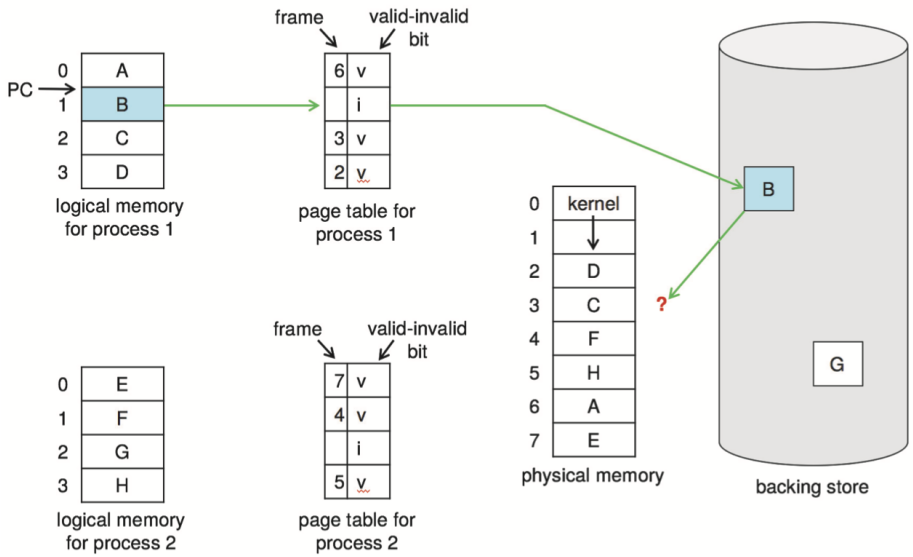
- Interrupt missing page handling:
  - Step 1: The OS finds an empty frame in the MEM
  - Step 2: Read the missing page into the page frame you just found
  - Step 3: Modify the corresponding entry in the page table: change bit P=1 and the number of frames allocated to the page
  - Step 4: Restore the process state and continue the interrupted command

- *Load pages completely as needed*:
  - Starts a process without loading any pages into memory
  - When the command pointer is moved by the operating system to the first command of the process to execute, a missing page event is generated and the corresponding page is loaded.
  - The process then proceeds normally until the next missing page
- *Loading pages in advance: different from loading pages on demand*
  - Unneeded pages are also loaded into memory
  - Not effective

- When a page shortage occurs: The OS must find an empty **frame** in memory, read the missing page into the frame, and the process then operates normally.
- Virtual memory > real memory and multiprogramming mode sometimes has no free **frame** to load a new page
- Solution given:
  - Terminate the process due to not satisfying memory needs
  - Swap the process to disk and wait for a more favorable time to reload the process into memory to continue executing
  - Use technique **Change page**

Page change technique

- If there are no free frames left, the OS selects an allocated but currently unused frame and releases this frame.
- The contents of the frame will be exchanged to disk, the memory page contained in the frame will be marked as not being in memory (by changing the P bit in the page table).
- The freed frame is allocated to a new page to be loaded



Page change process:

- *Step 1:* Determine the page on the disk that needs to be loaded into MEM
- *Step 2*: If there is an empty frame on the MEM, go to B4
- *Step 3*:
  - Select a frame on MEM to release, according to a certain algorithm
  - Write the changed frame content to disk (if necessary), update the page table and frame table
- *Step 4*: Read the page to be loaded into the newly released frame; Update the page table and frames table
- *Step 5*:Continue the process from the point where it was stopped before changing the page

Change the recorded page and change the unrecorded page:

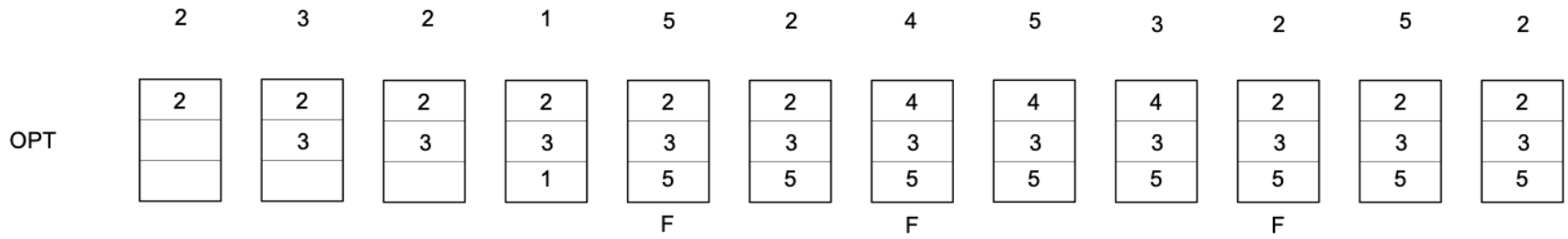
- If the need to change pages occurs when loading a new page, the page load time will increase significantly.
- Helps identify pages that have not changed since loading and have not been written back to disk
- Use an additional revision bit M in the page entry to mark whether the page has been modified (1) or not (0).
- Locked frames:
  - When looking for pages to free and swap, the OS subtracts a number of frames
  - Some frames that will not be released during the search for frames to change pages are *locked frames*
  - For example: *Frame containing the OS kernel process, containing important control information structures*
  - Identified by a separate bit contained in the item

Page-changing strategies:

- OPT/MIN: Optimal page changing algorithm
- FIFO (First In First Out): First in, first out
- LRU (Least Recently Used): The page has the longest last use
- CLOCK: Clock algorithm
- LFU (Least Frequently used):Lowest frequency of use
- MFU (Most Frequently used): Highest frequency of use
- ...

Optimal Page Change (OPT):

- *Choose the page that will be unused for the longest period of time in the future to change or the page with the furthest next use*
- Allows you to minimize missing pages and optimize according to this standard
- The OS anticipates future use of pages
- Not applicable in practice only compared with other strategies



Excercise: *Optimal Page Change (OPT):*
Suppose the process is given 3 frames, the process's memory space has 5 pages and the process's pages are accessed in the following order:

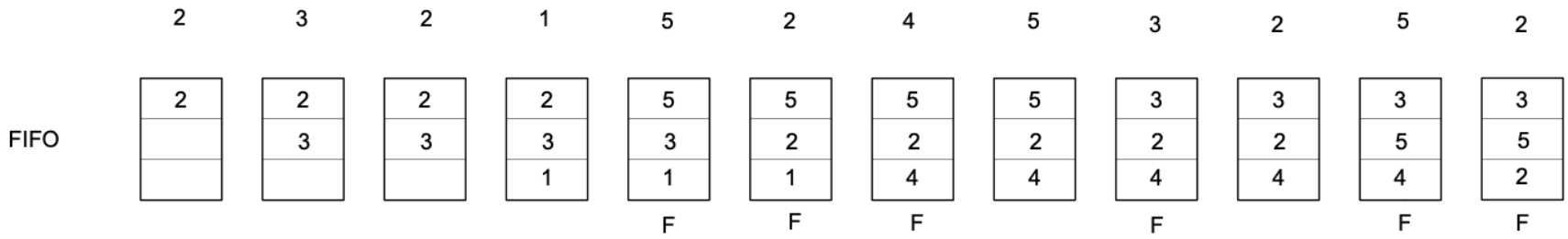
2, 3, 2, 1, 5, 2, 4, 5, 3, 2, 5, 2.

Determine the page loading order using the OPT optimization algorithm.

First in, first out (FIFO):

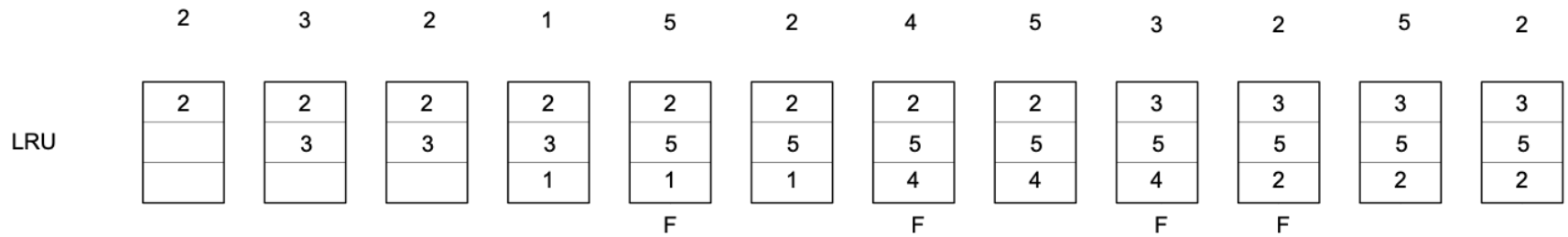
- Whichever page is loaded first will be moved first
- The simplest method
- The swap page is the page that stays in memory the longest

For example: Suppose the process is given 3 frames, the process's memory space has 5 pages and the process's pages are accessed in the following order: 2, 3, 2, 1, 5, 2, 4, 5, 3, 2, 5, 2



Change page with longest last use (LRU):

- A changed page is the page that has had the longest time from the last visit to the present time (if you haven't visited in a long time, replace it)
- According to the principle of time locality, that is the page least likely to be used in the future
- In fact, LRU gives almost as good results as the optimal pagination method



Change the page with the longest last use(LRU):

- Identify the page whose last visit occurred the longest ago?
- Using counter variable:
  - Each pagination table entry will have an additional field containing the time of last page access - the logical time
  - The CPU also has a logic timer added to this
  - The counter index increases each time a memory access occurs
  - Each time a memory page is accessed, the counter index is written to the access time field in that page's entry.
  - The time field always contains the time the page was last accessed
  - The converted page is the page with the smallest time value

Change the page with the longest last use(LRU):

- Use stacks
  - Special stack used to hold page numbers
  - Every time a memory page is accessed, the page number is moved to the top of the stack
  - The top of the stack will contain the most recently accessed page
  - The bottom of the stack is the LRU page, that is, the page that needs to be exchanged
  - Avoid searching in page tables
  - Suitable for implementation by software

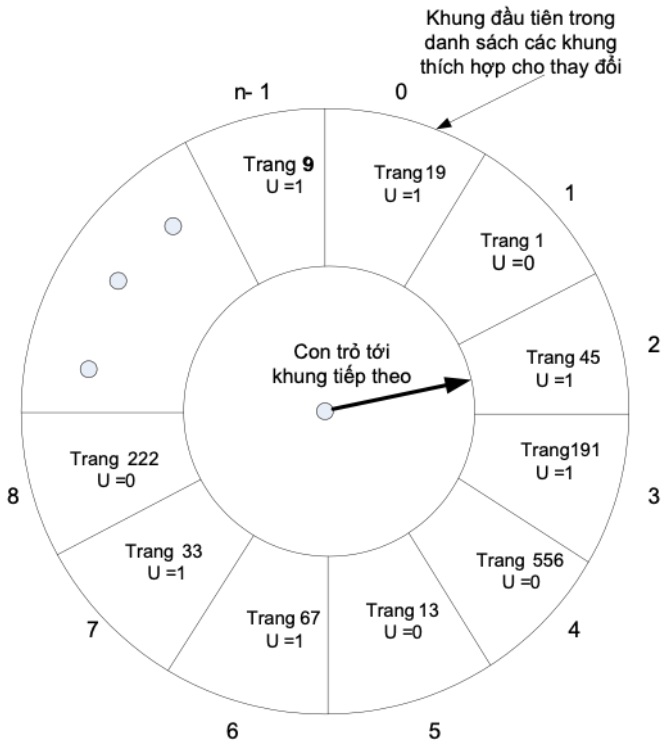
CLOCK: Clock Algorithm Improved FIFO to avoid replacing long loaded pages that are still usable

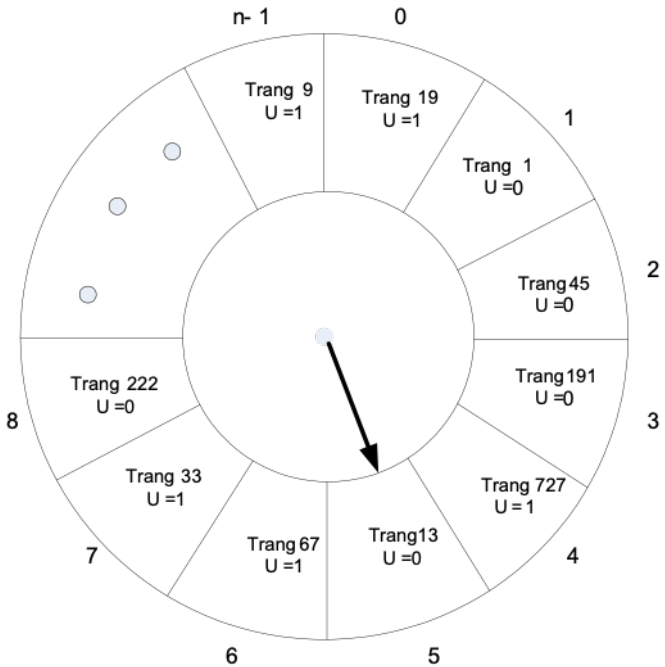
- Each page is appended with 1 bit using U
  - When page is accessed read/write: U = 1
  - As soon as the page is read into memory: U =1
- Frames/pages that can be changed are linked to a circular list
- When a page is changed, the cursor is moved to point to the next page
- When there is a need to change pages, OS checks the page being pointed to
  - If U=0: page will be changed immediately
  - If U=1: set U=0 and point to the next page, repeat the process

- U of all pages in the list =1 the cursor will rotate exactly 1 revolution, set U of pages =0 and the currently pointed page will be changed

CLOCK: Clock algorithm

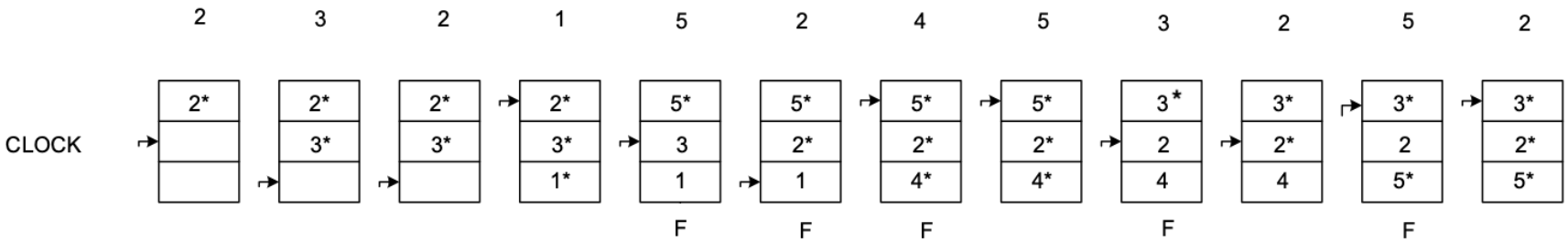
Need to load page 727





CLOCK: Clock algorithm

For example: the process is given 3 frames, the process's memory pages are accessed in order: 2, 3, 2, 1, 5, 2, 4, 5, 3, 2, 5, 2



- Based on 2 pieces of information to make the decision to change pages:
  - The time the page was loaded, expressed as the page position in a FIFO-like list
  - Whether the page has been used recently is indicated by the U bit
- Checking the extra U bit is similar to giving the page more capacity to be held in memory

Improved clock algorithm:

- Uses additional information about whether the page content has been changed using the M bit
- Combining U and M bits, there are 4 possibilities:
  - U=0, M=0: the page has not been accessed recently and the content has not been changed, very suitable to be changed out
  - U=0, M=1: page has changed content but has not been accessed recently, also a candidate to change out
  - U=1, M=0: the page was recently accessed and therefore according to the time-locality principle may be about to be accessed again
  - U=1, M=1: page with changed content and recently accessed, not suitable for change

Improved clock algorithm:

- Steps to change pages:
- Step 1:
  - Starting from the current cursor position, examine the pages
  - The first page with U=0 and M=0 will be changed
  - Only check without changing the contents of U and M bits
- Bước 2:
  - If you go all the way around and can't find a page with U and M equal to 0, scan the list a second time.
  - The first page with U=0, M=1 will be changed
  - Set the U bit of scanned but ignored pages to 0
- If not found, repeat step 1 and step 2 if necessary

- The operating system reserves a number of empty frames connected into a linked list called buffer pages
- The page is changed as usual, but the page content is not immediately deleted from memory
- The frame containing the page is marked as an empty frame and added to the end of the buffer page list
- The new page will be loaded into the top frame in the buffer page list
- At the appropriate time, the system will write the content of the pages in the buffer list to disk

- Page caching techniques allow for improved speed:
- If the changed page has content that needs to be burned to disk, the HDH can still load the new page immediately
  - Burning to disc will be postponed to a later date
  - Burning to disc can be performed simultaneously with multiple pages in the list marked as blank.
- The changed page remains in memory for a while:
  - If there is an access request during this time, the page will be retrieved from the cache list and used immediately without reloading from disk.
  - The buffer acts like a cache

Allocate page frames

Frame limit

- With virtual memory, the process does not have to reside entirely in the computer's memory. Some pages of the process are allocated memory frames while others reside temporarily on disk.
- How many frames does the OS allocate to each process? When the maximum number of frames allocated to a process decreases to a certain level, page missing errors occur frequently
- Sets the minimum limit of frames allocated to the process
- When the number of frames allocated to a process increases to a certain level, adding more frames to the process does not significantly reduce the frequency of missing pages anymore.
- Allocate a fixed number of frames and a variable number of frames.

Allocate page frames (cont.)

Allocate a fixed number of frames

- Gives the process a fixed number of frames to hold memory pages
- The quantity is determined at the time of process creation and does not change while the process exists
- Equal allocation:
  - Processes are allocated the same maximum number of frames
  - The number is determined based on the MEM size and the desired level of multiprogramming
- Unequal allocation:
  - Processes are allocated different maximum frames
    - The number of frames is proportional to the process size
    - Has priority

Allocate page frames (cont.)

Allocate a variable number of frames

- The maximum number of frames allocated to each process may change during execution
- Changes depend on the implementation status of the process
- Allows more efficient use of memory than the fixed method
- Need to monitor and process information about the process's memory usage

- All allocation:
  - Allows a process to change a new page into any (non-locked) frame, including frames already allocated to another process
- Local allocation:
  - The page can only be changed into the frame currently allocated to that process
- Allocation range is closely related to the maximum number of frames:
  - Fixed number of frames corresponding to the local allocation range
  - The number of frames varies relative to the overall allocation range

Stagnation - thrashing
Controls the frequency of missing pages

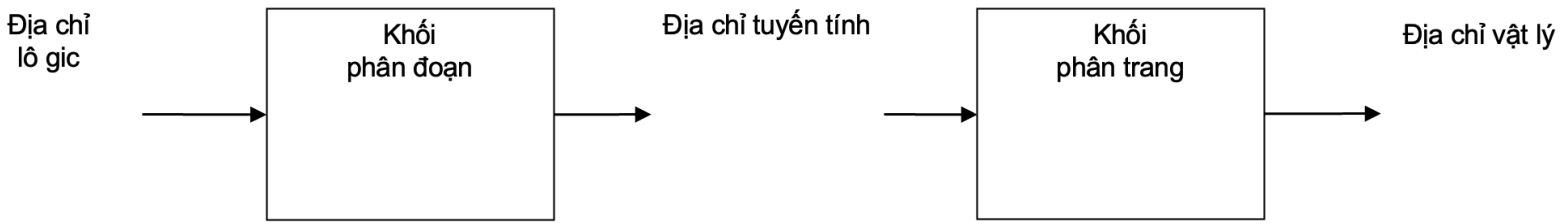
- Stagnation is the condition of constantly changing pages due to insufficient memory
- The page change time of the process is greater than the execution time
- Occurs when:
  - Limited memory size
  - The process requires concurrent access to multiple memory pages
  - The system has a high degree of multiprogramming
- When the process becomes stagnant, the frequency of missing pages increases significantly
- Used to detect and resolve stagnation problems

Controls the frequency of missing pages

- Monitor and record the frequency of missing pages
- It is possible to set an upper and lower bound on the frequency of missing pages for a process
  - Frequency exceeding the upper limit:
    - Grants new frame process
    - If it cannot find frames to add, the process will hang or be terminated
  - Frequency of missing pages is lower than the lower limit: some frames of the process are recovered

Intel Pentium memory management

- Intel's Pentium processors support a memory management mechanism: segmentation combined with paging
- The process's memory space consists of many segments, each segment can have a different size and is paged before being placed in memory.
- Address mapping: 2 stages

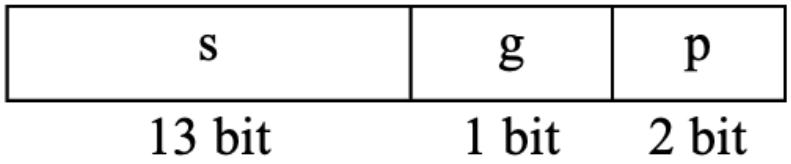


Intel Pentium memory management (cont.)

- Allows processes to have a maximum of 16KB (more than 16000) segments, each segment has a maximum size of 4GB
- The logical memory space is divided into two parts:
  - Part 1: dedicated to the process, includes a maximum of 8KB segments
  - Part 2: common to all processes, including the Operating System, and also contains a maximum of 8KB segments
- Process management information belongs to the first and second parts of the tables LDT (Local Descriptor Table) and GDT (Global Descriptor Table): contain management information:
  - Each cell is 8 bytes in size: contains the base address and limit of the corresponding segment
- To speed up address mapping, Petinum has 6 segment registers: allowing the process to access 6 segments simultaneously.
- Segment information is contained in six 8-byte registers

Intel Pentium memory management (cont.)

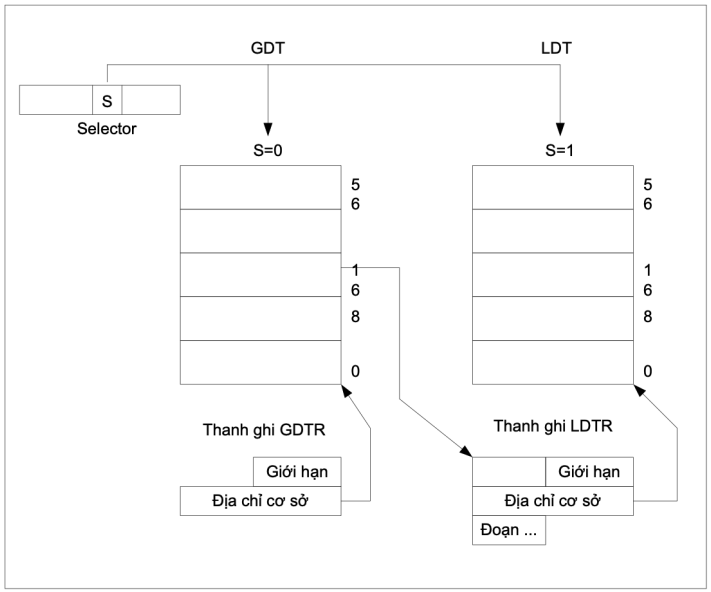
- Logical addresses include: (selector, offset):

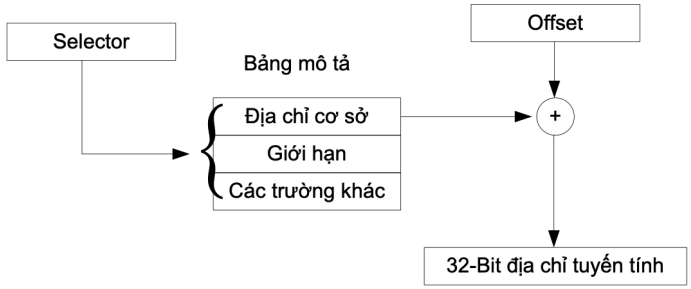


  - Selector: select the corresponding cell from the two tables describing LDT and GDT
  - S: is the paragraph number
  - G: indicates whether the segment belongs to GDT (g=0) or LDT(g=1)
  - P: indicates protected mode (p=0 is kernel mode, p=3 is user mode)
  - Offset: offset in segment, size 32bit

Intel Pentium memory management (cont.)

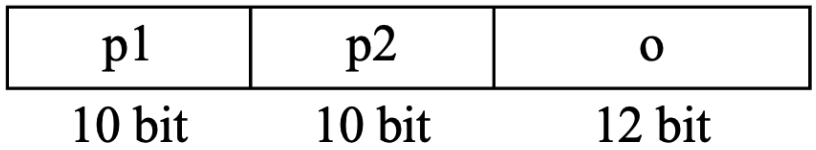
- Convert logical addresses to linear addresses:
  - First, the selector is used to find the corresponding cell in the GDT, the LDT contains the description of paragraph (a);
  - The segment descriptor is then combined with the offset to produce a linear address (b).





Intel Pentium memory management (cont.)

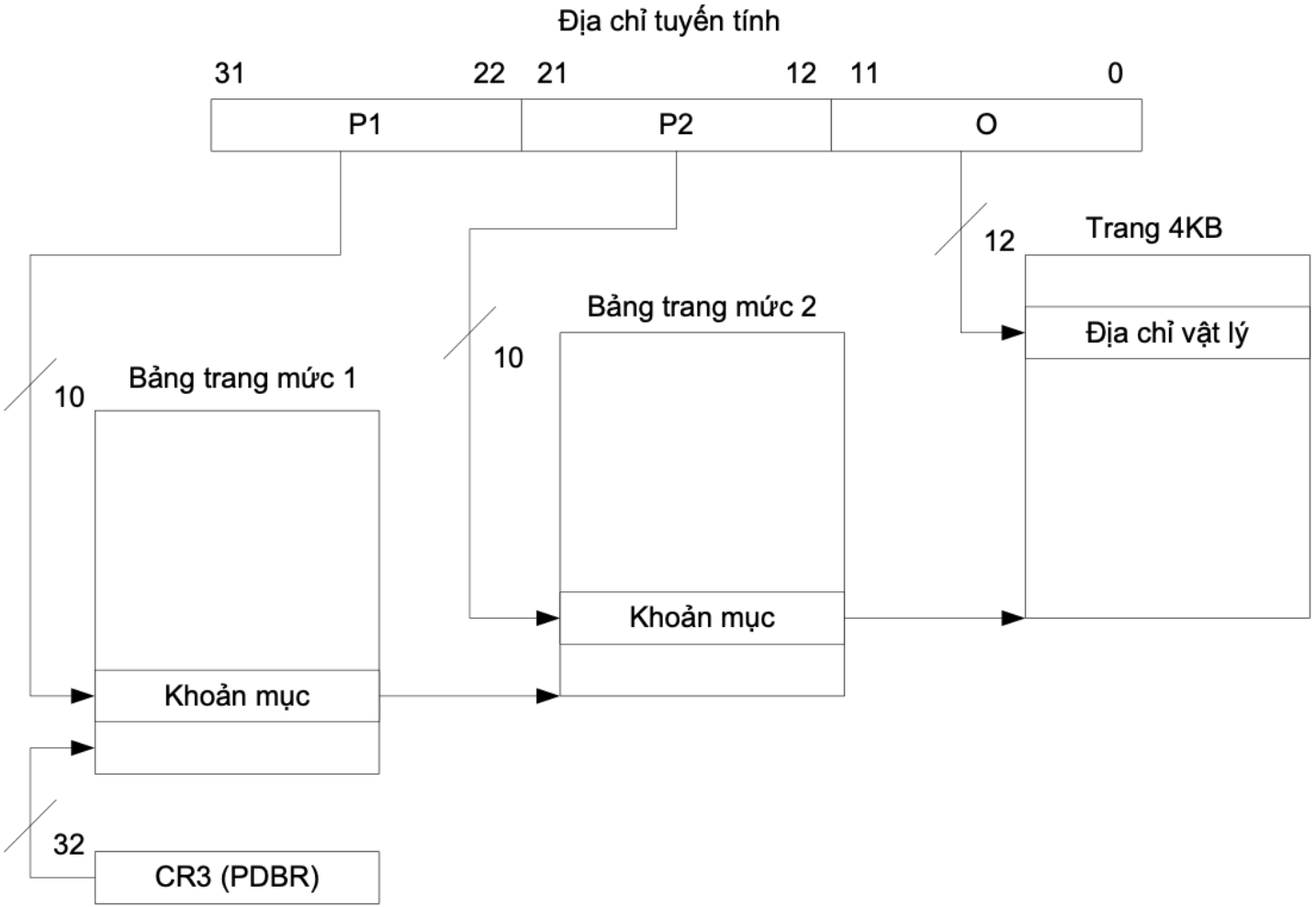
- Supports 4KB or 4MB page sizes, depending on the page size flag value
- Page size 4KB: organize the page table into 2 levels
  - Linear addresses are 32 bits in size



  - P1: Allows finding page table level 1
  - P2: find the corresponding cell in the level 2 page table combined with the offset o to create the physical address
- Page size 4MB: The page table has only one level
  - P :10bit
  - O: offset, 22bit size allows pointing to a specific location in a 4MB memory page

Intel Pentium memory management (cont.)

- Converts a linear address to a 4KB page size physical address



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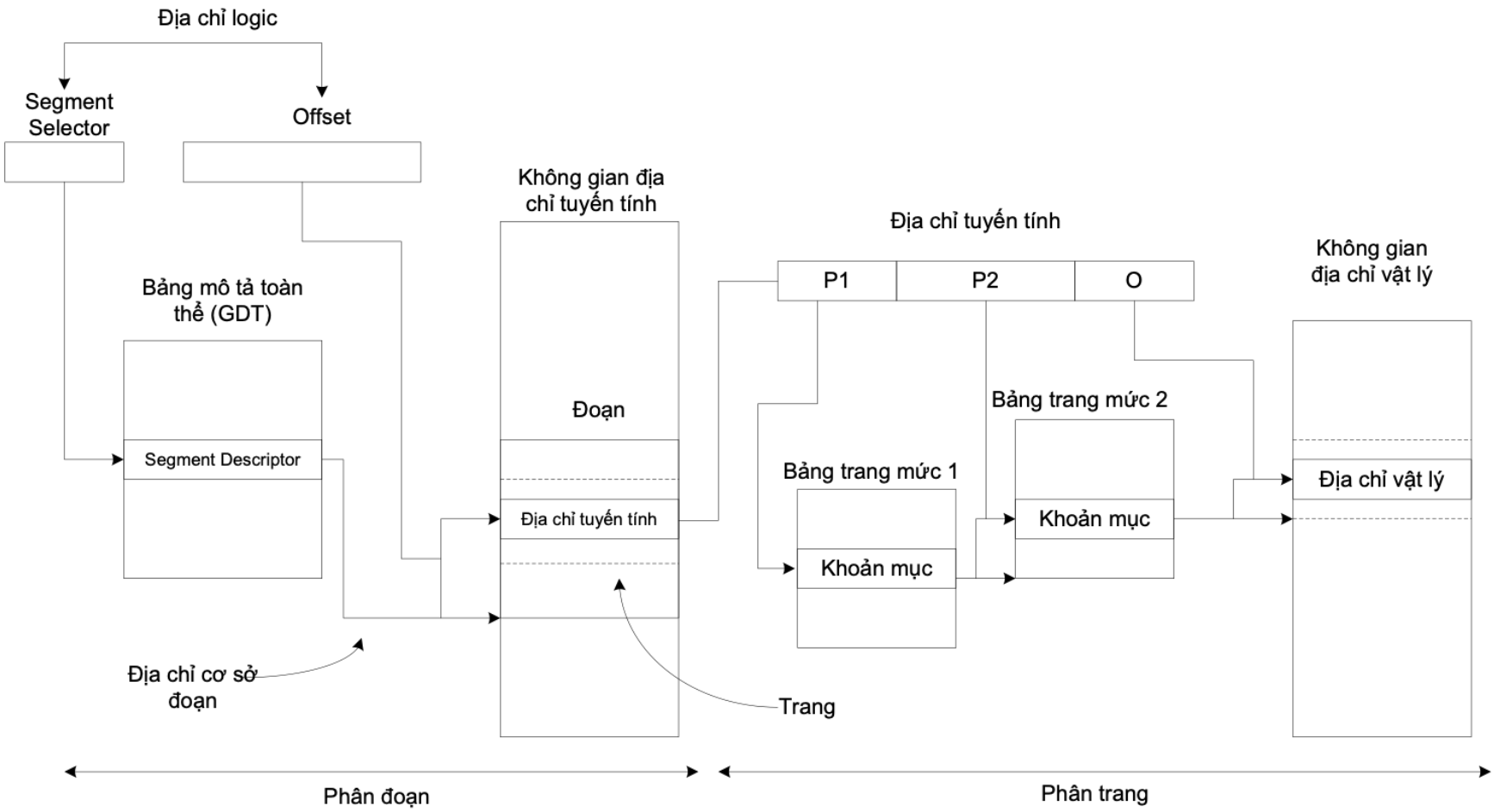

Memory management in Windows XP

- Allows processes to use up to 4GB of virtual memory
  - 2GB is reserved for the process
  - The following 2GB is shared by the system
- Virtual memory is implemented using the on-demand page fetch and page swap technique
  - Memory page size 4KB
  - Organize a 2-level page table
- Load pages in clusters: when a missing page occurs, load the entire cluster including a number of pages behind the missing page

Memory management in Windows XP (cont.)

- Control the number of pages: assign each process a maximum and minimum number of pages
- The maximum and minimum number of pages allocated to the process are changed depending on the free memory status
- The OS stores a list of free frames, and uses a safety threshold
  - Number of free frames less than threshold: The operating system considers the processes in progress.
  - Processes with more than the minimum number of pages will have their number of pages reduced until they reach their minimum number.
- Depending on the processor, Windows XP uses different pagination algorithms

Summary

Chapter 3 Memory management

- Memory segment
- Virtual memory

Chapter 4 Process management

- Concepts related to the process
- Luồng (thread)
- Moderate the process
- Synchronize concurrent processes
- Deadlock and hunger

Questions and exercises

1. **Question 1**: The memory is 1MB in size. Use the buddy system to allocate processes in turn with the following sizes: A: 112KB, B: 200KB, C: 150KB, D: 50KB
2. **Question 2**: The memory frame size is 4096 bytes. Let's convert logical addresses 8207, 4300 to physical addresses knowing that the page table is as follows:

Page	Frame
0	3
1	5
2	4
3	30
4	22
5	14

Questions and exercises (cont.)

3. **Question 3**: The process's logical address space consists of 11 pages, each page of size 2048B mapped into physical memory of 20 frames.

   3.1 How many bits are needed to represent a logical address?

   3.2 How many bits are needed to represent a physical address?

4. **Question 4**: Physical memory has 3 frames. The order of accessing the pages is 1, 2, 3, 4, 2, 1, 5, 6, 2, 1, 2, 3, 7, 6, 3, 2, 1, 2, 3, 6. Draw a diagram memory allocation and How many page missing events occur if using:

   - Optimization algorithm
   - FIFO
   - LRU
   - Clock

Questions and exercises (cont.)

5. **Question 5**: Suppose the process is given 4 physical memory frames, the process's pages are accessed in the following order: 1,2,3,4,5,3,4,1,6,7 ,8,7,8,9,7,8,9,5. Please specify the order of loading and changing pages if using:
   - Optimization algorithm
   - FIFO
   - LRU
   - Clock