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Lecture – Segmentation

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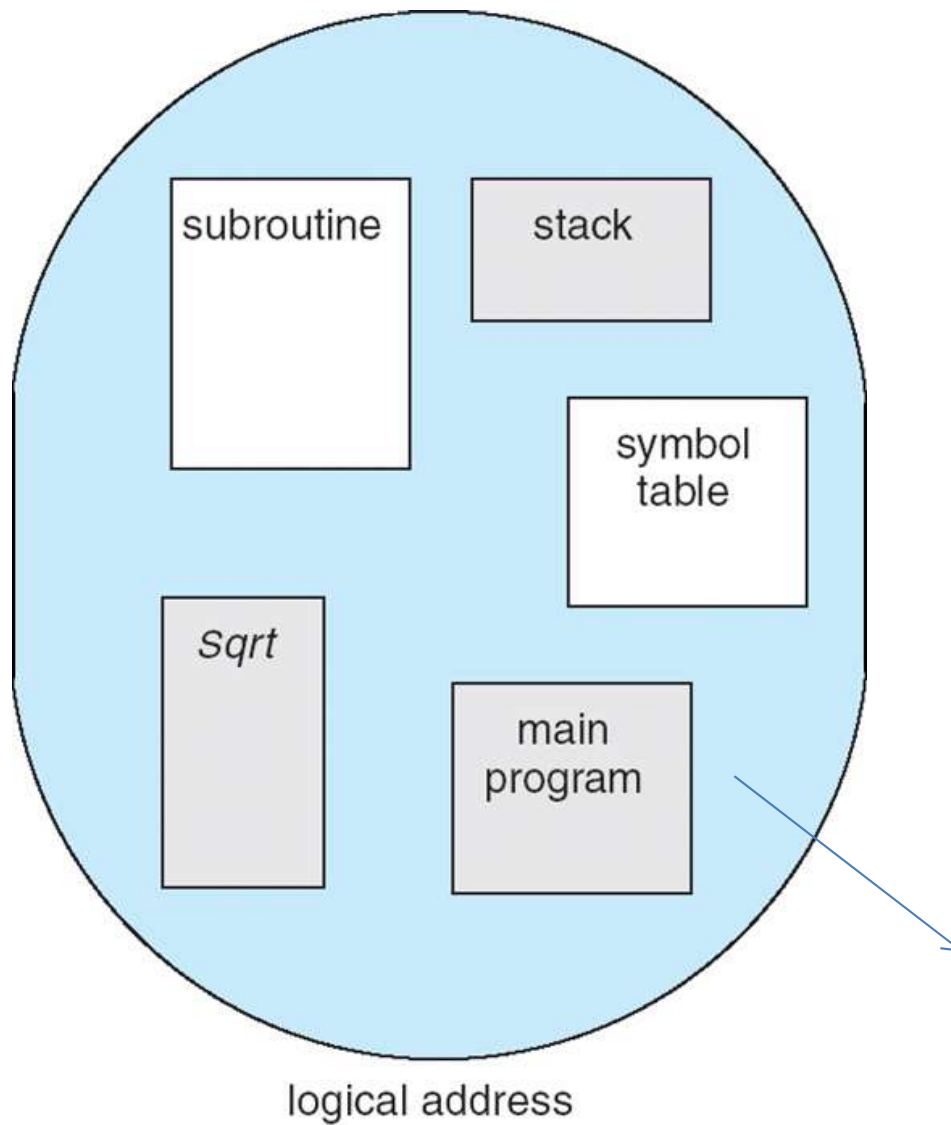
Segmentation

- Memory-management scheme that supports **user view** of memory
- A program is a collection of segments
 - A segment is a logical unit such as:
 - main program
 - procedure
 - function
 - method
 - object
 - local variables, global variables
 - common block
 - stack
 - symbol table
 - arrays

Compiler generates the segments
Loader assign the seg#



User's View of a Program



User specifies each address by two quantities

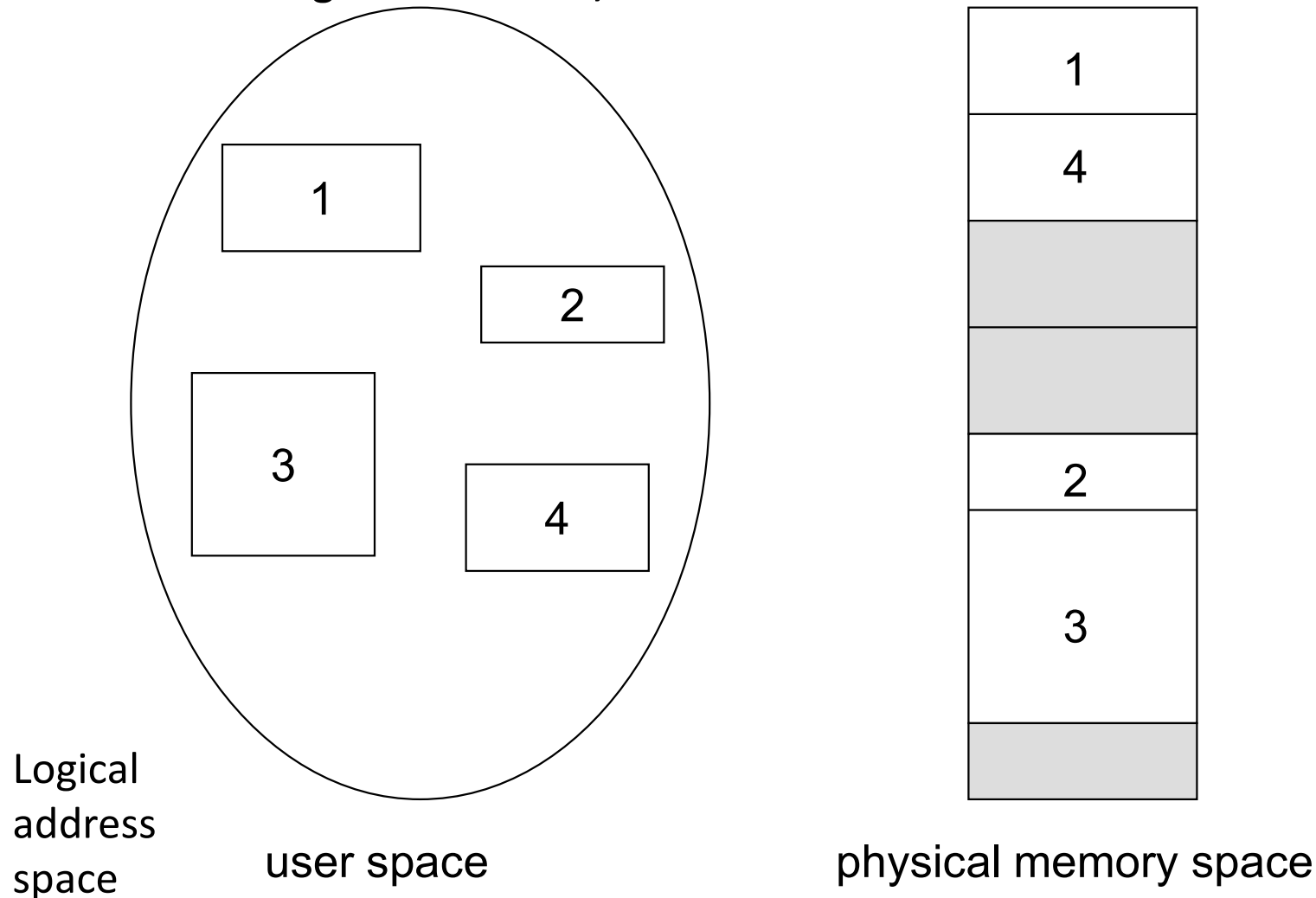
- (a) Segment name
- (b) Segment offset

Logical address contains the tuple
<segment#, offset>

- Variable size segments without order
- Length=> purpose of the program
- Elements are identified by offset

Logical View of Segmentation

Logical address <segment-number, offset>



- Long term scheduler finds and allocates memory for all segments of a program
- Variable size partition scheme



Windows XP Memory Usage

Segment	First Address	Last Address	Size
Code	401000x	403000x	002000x ~ 8 Kbytes
Static (Global) Data	403000x	703000x	300000x ~ 3 megabytes
Heap	760000x	3A261000x	39800000x ~ 950 megabytes
Stack	22EF00x	16EF00x	1C0000x ~ 2 megabyte



LINUX Memory Usage

Segment	First Address	Last Address	Size
Code	8048400x	8049900x	001500x ~ 6 Kbytes
Static (Global) Data	8049A00x	8349A00	300000x ~ 3 megabytes
Heap	B7EE,B000x	01CE,4000x	B6000000x ~ 3 gigabytes
Stack	BFFB,7334x	29BA,91E0x	9640,0000x ~ 2.5 gigabyte



Memory image

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0x08048368 <main+0>: 55          push    %ebp
0x08048369 <main+1>: 89 e5      mov     %esp,%ebp
0x0804836b <main+3>: 83 ec 08   sub     $0x8,%esp
0x0804836e <main+6>: 83 e4 f0   and     $0xffffffff0,%esp
0x08048371 <main+9>: b8 00 00 00 00 mov     $0x0,%eax
0x08048376 <main+14>: 83 c0 0f   add     $0xf,%eax
0x08048379 <main+17>: 83 c0 0f   add     $0xf,%eax
0x0804837c <main+20>: c1 e8 04   shr     $0x4,%eax
0x0804837f <main+23>: c1 e0 04   shl     $0x4,%eax
0x08048382 <main+26>: 29 c4      sub     %eax,%esp
0x08048384 <main+28>: 83 ec 0c   sub     $0xc,%esp
0x08048387 <main+31>: 68 c0 84 04 08 push    $0x80484c0
0x0804838c <main+36>: e8 1f ff ff ff call    0x80482b0
0x08048391 <main+41>: 83 c4 10   add     $0x10,%esp
0x08048394 <main+44>: e8 02 00 00 00 call    0x804839b <b>

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```

1 void b();
2 void c();
3 int main( )
4 {
5     printf( "Hello from main\n");
6     b();
7 }
8 // This routine reads the opcodes from memory and prints them out.
9 void b()
10 {
11     char *moving;
12
13     for ( moving = (char*)&main; moving < (char*)&c; moving++ )
14         printf( "Addr = 0x%x, Value = %2x\n", (int)(moving), 255 & (int)*moving );
15 }
16 void c()
17 {
18 }

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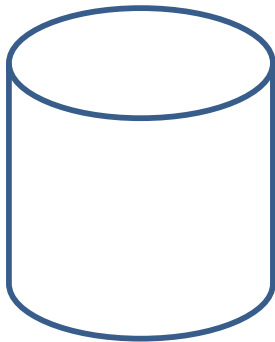
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0x0804839e <b+3>: 83 ec 08   sub     $0x8,%esp
0x080483a1 <b+6>: c7 45 fc 68 83 04 08 movl    $0x8048368,0xffffffffc(%ebp)
0x080483a8 <b+13>: 81 7d fc d9 83 04 08 cmpl    $0x80483d9,0xffffffffc(%ebp)
0x080483af <b+20>: 73 26      jae     0x80483d7 <b+60>
0x080483b1 <b+22>: 83 ec 04   sub     $0x4,%esp
0x080483b4 <b+25>: 8b 45 fc   mov     0xffffffffc(%ebp),%eax
0x080483b7 <b+28>: 0f be 00   movsbl (%eax),%eax
0x080483ba <b+31>: 25 ff 00 00 00 and     $0xff,%eax

```



Executable file and virtual address

a.out



Symbol table

Name	address
SQR	0
SUM	4

Virtual address space

Paging view

0	Load	0
4	ADD	4

Segmentation view

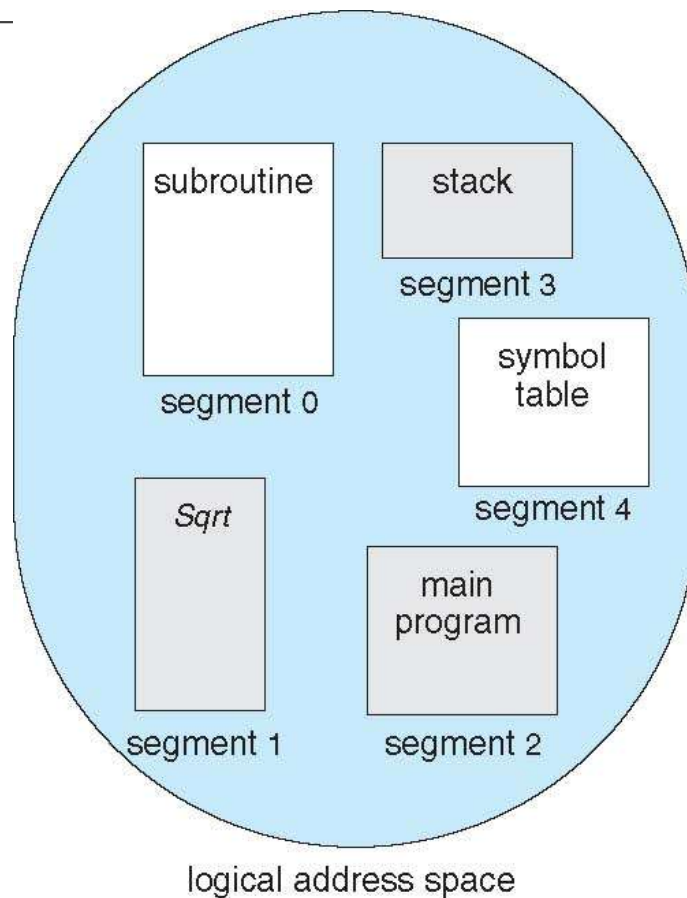
<CODE, 0>	Load	<ST,0>
<CODE, 2>	ADD	<ST,4>



Segmentation Architecture

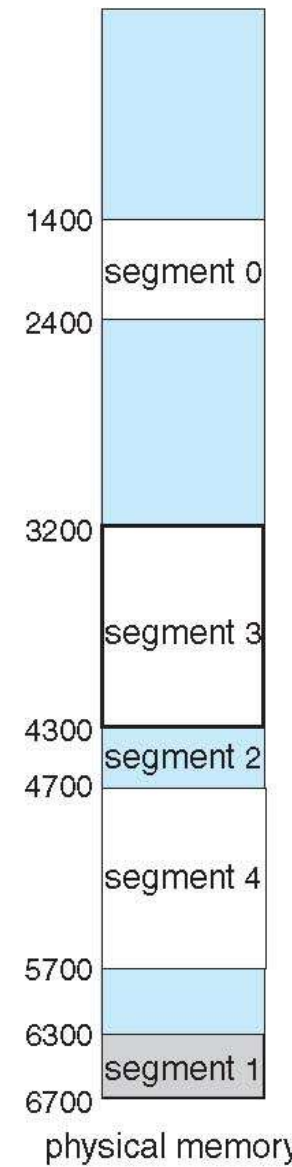
- Logical address consists of a two tuple:
 <segment-number, offset>
- **Segment table** – maps two-dimensional logical address to physical address;
- Each table entry has:
 - **base** – contains the starting physical address where the segments reside in memory
 - **limit** – specifies the length of the segment
- **Segment-table base register (STBR)** points to the segment table's location in memory
- **Segment-table length register (STLR)** indicates number of segments used by a program;
 segment number **s** is legal if **s** < **STLR**

Example of Segmentation

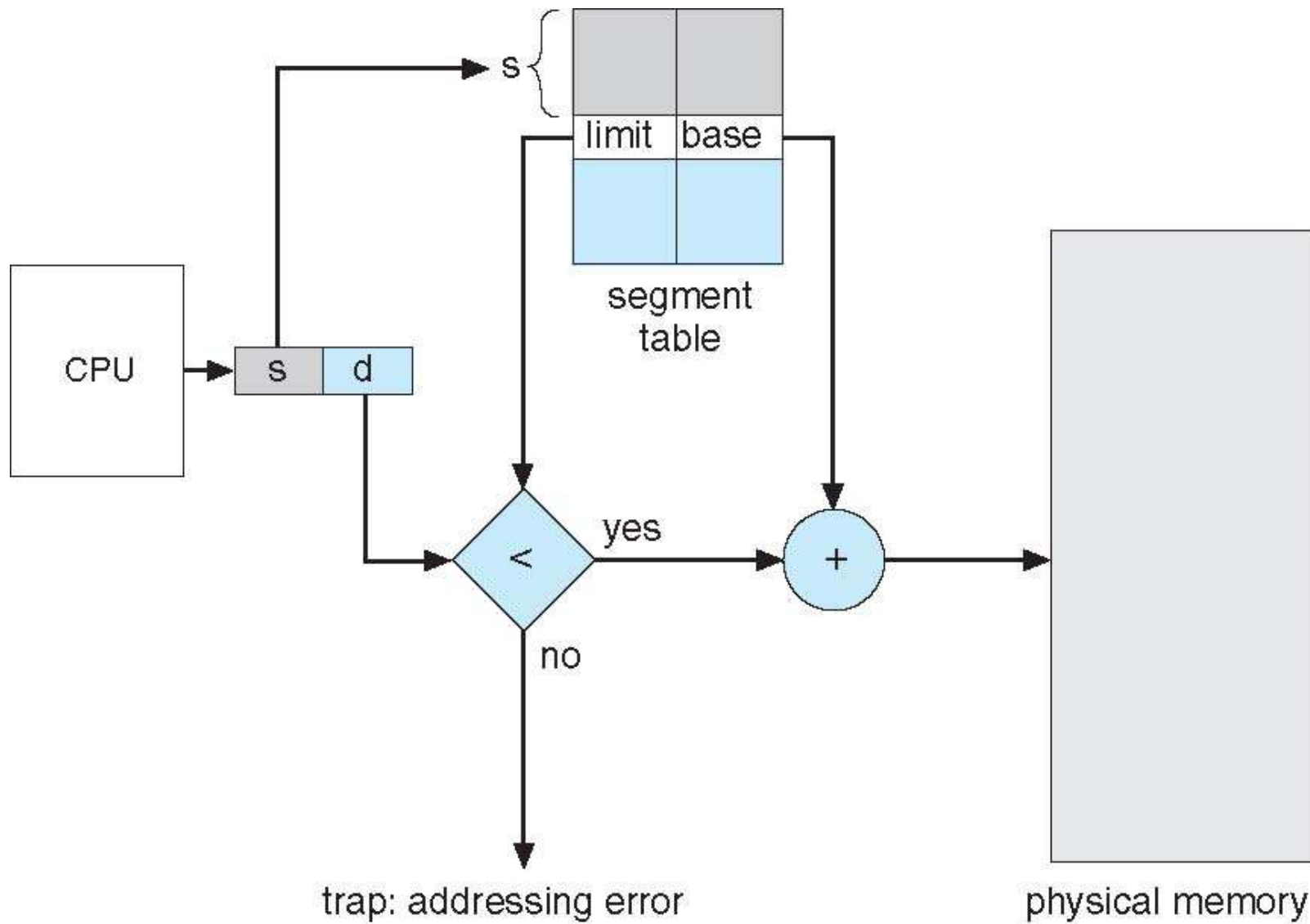


	limit	base
0	1000	1400
1	400	6300
2	400	4300
3	1100	3200
4	1000	4700

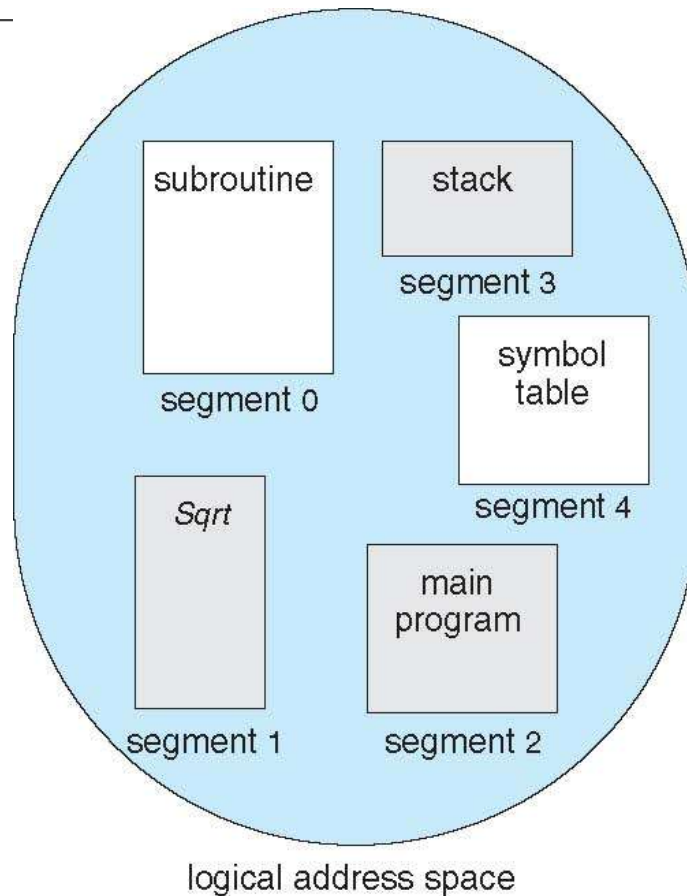
segment table



Segmentation Hardware

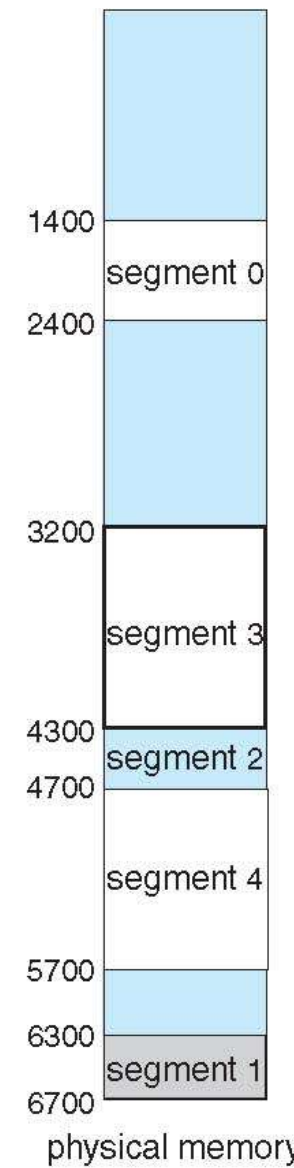


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4	1000	4700

segment table



Segmentation Architecture

- Protection
- Protection bits associated with segments
 - With each entry in segment table associate:
 - validation bit = 0 \Rightarrow illegal segment
 - read/write/execute privileges
- Code sharing occurs at segment level
- Since segments vary in length, memory allocation is a dynamic storage-allocation problem
 - Long term scheduler
 - First fit, best fit etc
- Fragmentation

Segmentation with Paging

Key idea:

Segments are splitted into multiple pages

Each page is loaded into frames in the memory



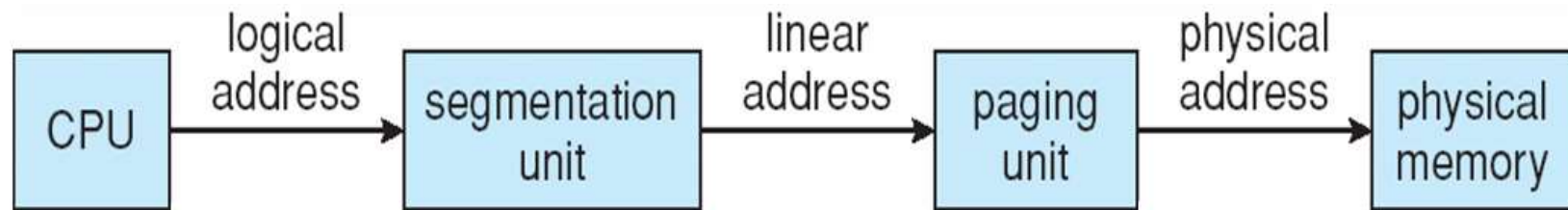
Segmentation with Paging

- Supports segmentation with paging
 - Each segment can be 4 GB
 - Up to 16 K segments per process
 - <selector(16), offset (32)>
 - Divided into two partitions
 - First partition of up to 8 K segments are private to process (kept in **local descriptor table LDT**)
 - Second partition of up to 8K segments shared among all processes (kept in **global descriptor table GDT**)
- CPU generates logical address (six Segment Reg.)
 - Given to segmentation unit
 - Which produces linear addresses
 - Physical address 32 bits
 - Linear address given to paging unit
 - Which generates physical address in main memory
 - Paging units form equivalent of MMU
 - Pages sizes can be 4 KB

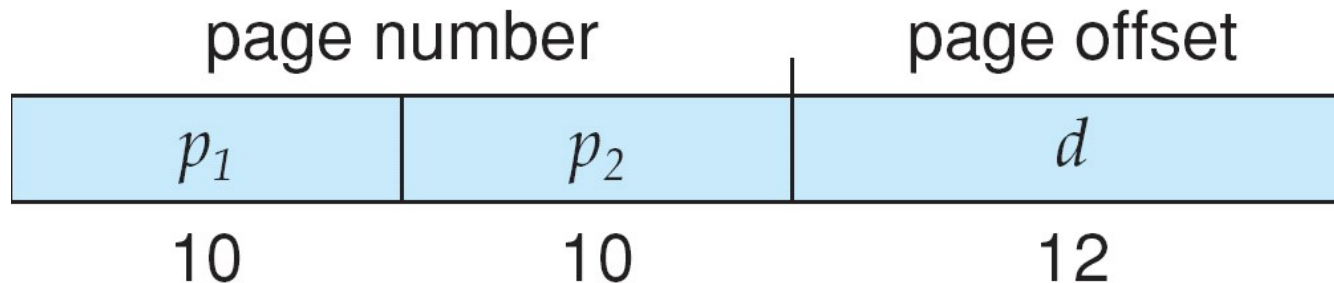


Intel 80386

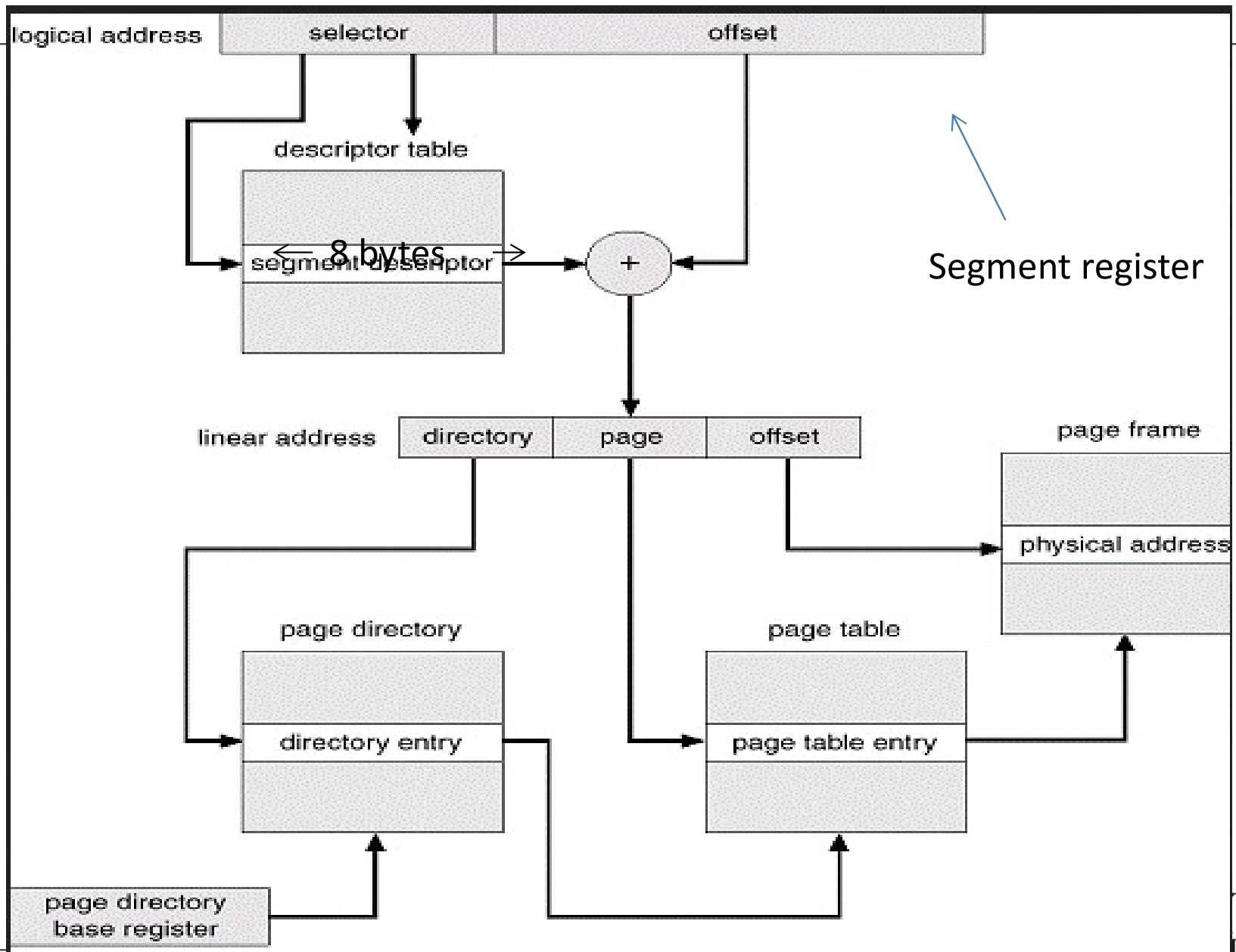
Logical to Physical Address Translation in Pentium



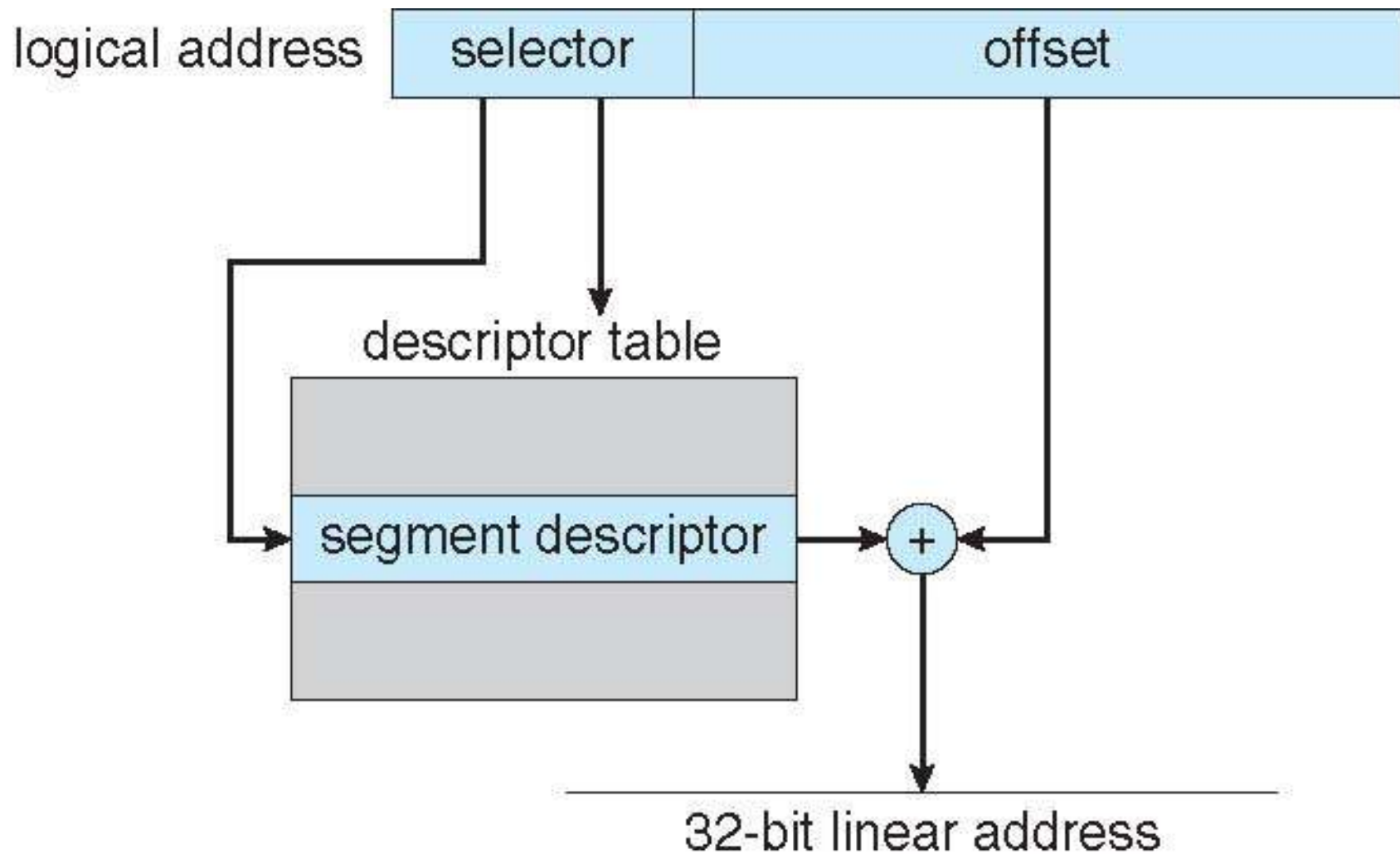
Page table = 2^{20} entries



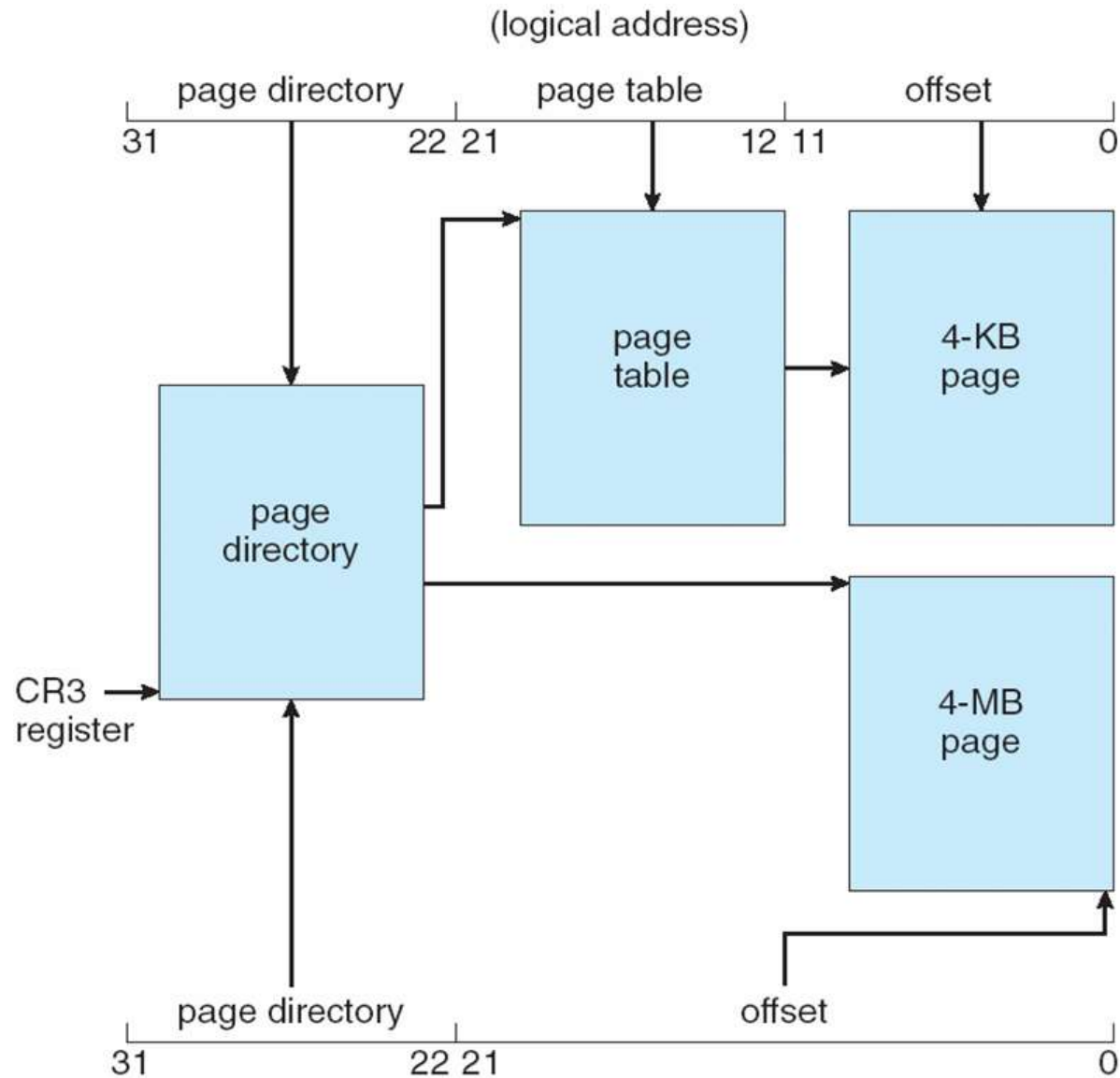
Example: The Intel Pentium



Intel Pentium Segmentation



Pentium Paging Architecture



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