

Problem With 64-bit Systems

- Given:
- ▶ virtual address space = 64 *bits*
 - ▶ page size = 4 *KB* = 2^{12} *B*

? How much space would a simple single-level page table take?

if Each page table entry takes 4 *Bytes*
then The whole page table (2^{64-12} entries) will take

$$2^{64-12} \times 4 \text{ B} = 2^{54} \text{ B} = 16 \text{ PB} \quad (\text{peta} \Rightarrow \text{tera} \Rightarrow \text{giga})!$$

And this is for ONE process!

Multi-level?

if 10 *bits* for each level
then $\frac{64-12}{10} = 5$ levels are required
5 memory access for each address translation!