

Virtual Memory

EEL 3713C: Digital Computer Architecture

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Outline

1. Memory Problems

- Not enough memory
- Holes in address space
- Programs overwriting

2. What is Virtual Memory?

- Layer of indirection
- How does indirection solve above
- Page tables and translation

3. How do we implement VM?

- Create and store page tables
- Fast address translation

4. Virtual Memory and Caches

- Prevent cache performance degradation when using VM

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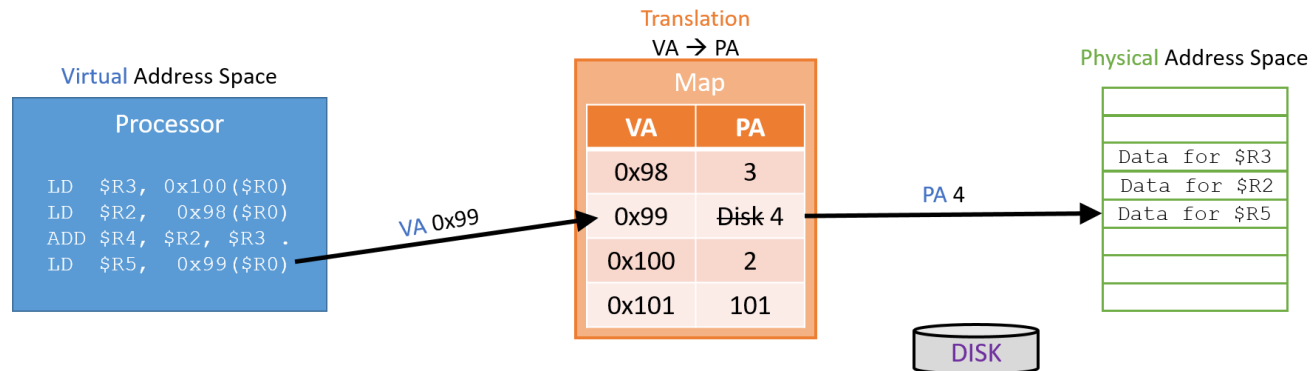
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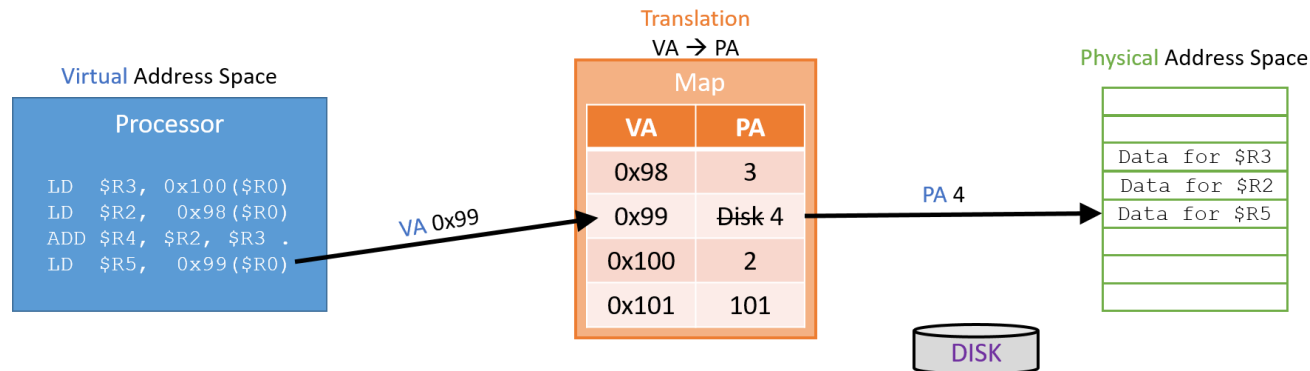


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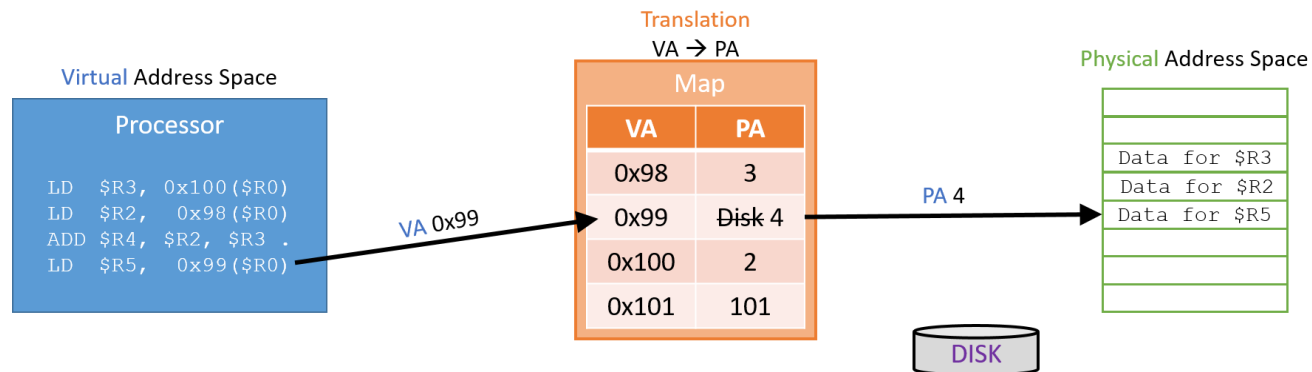
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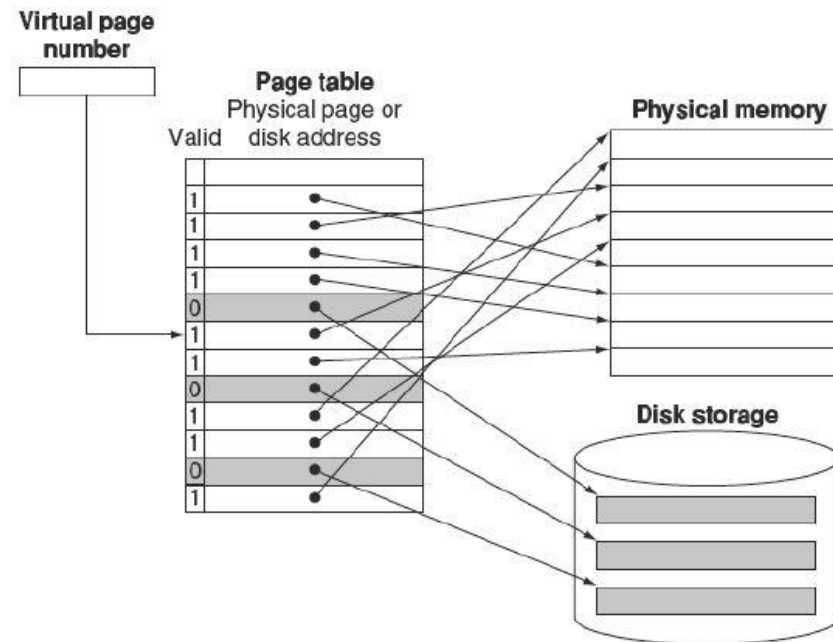


FIGURE 5.28 The page table maps each page in virtual memory to either a page in main memory or a page stored on disk, which is the next level in the hierarchy. The virtual page number is used to index the page table. If the valid bit is on, the page table supplies the physical page number (i.e., the starting address of the page in memory) corresponding to the virtual page. If the valid bit is off, the page currently resides only on disk, at a specified disk address. In many systems, the table of physical page addresses and disk page addresses, while logically one table, is stored in two separate data structures. Dual tables are justified in part because we must keep the disk addresses of all the pages, even if they are currently in main memory. Remember that the pages in main memory and the pages on disk are the same size.

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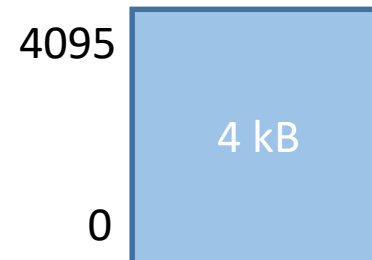
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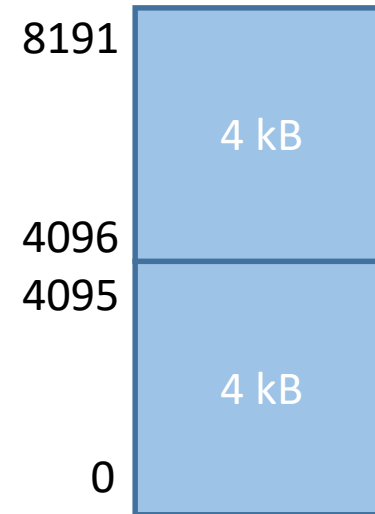


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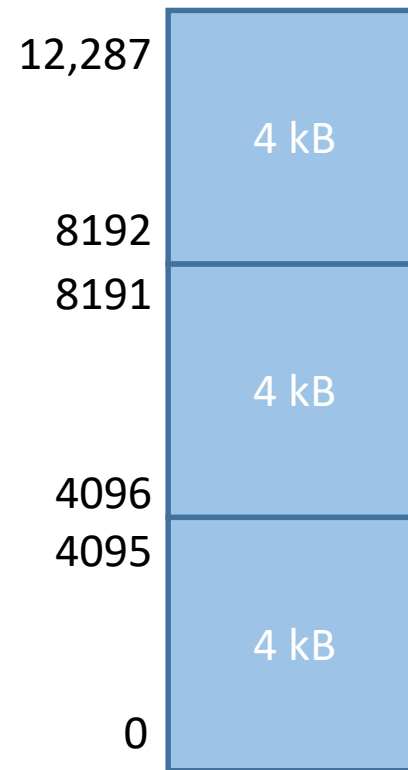
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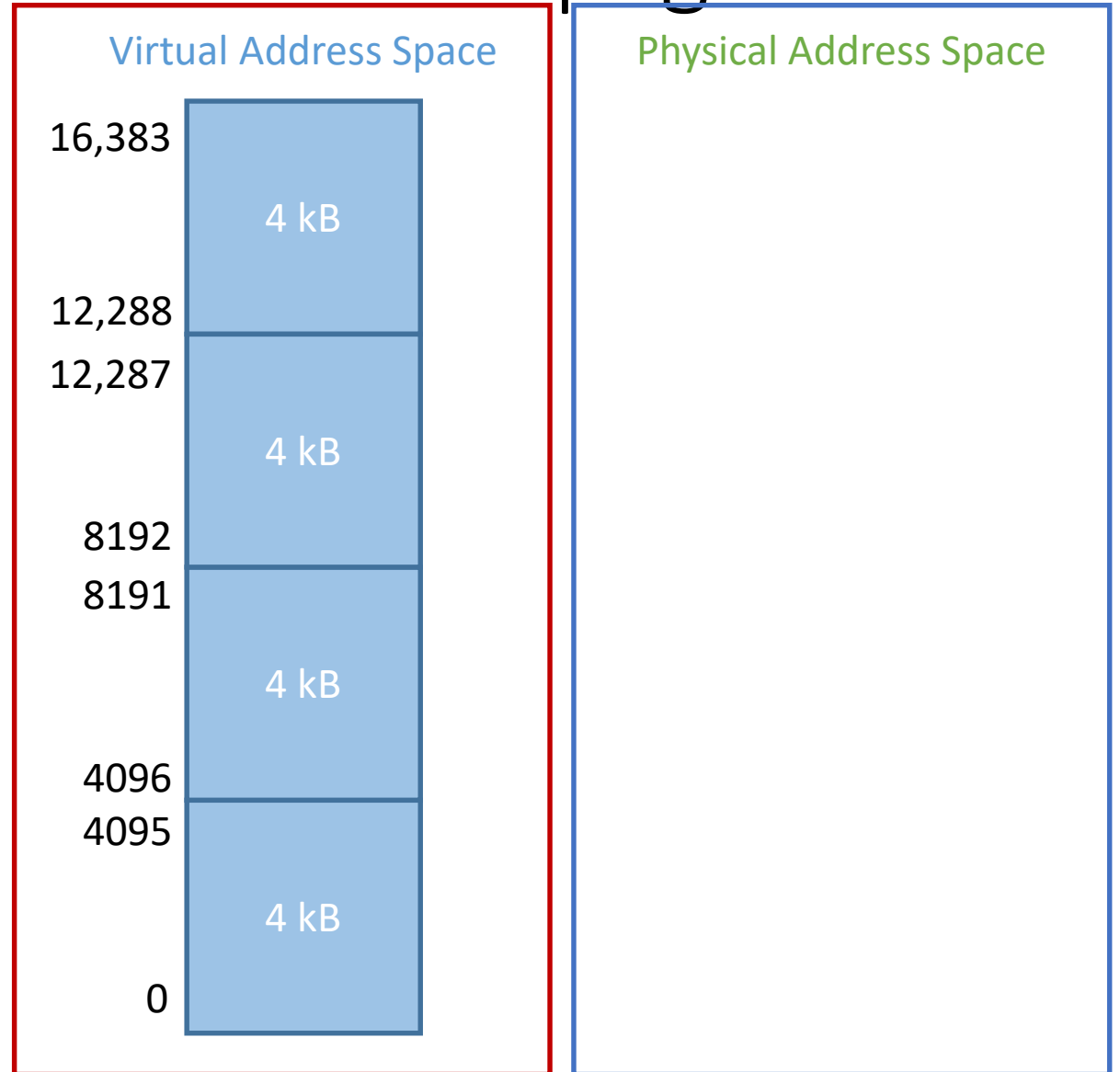


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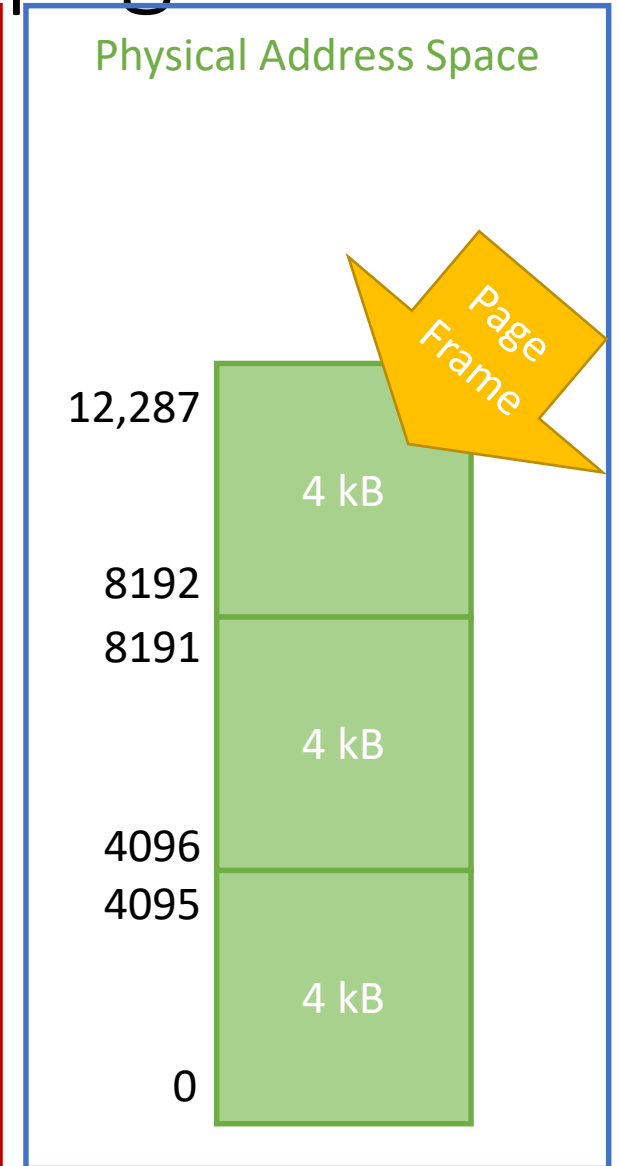
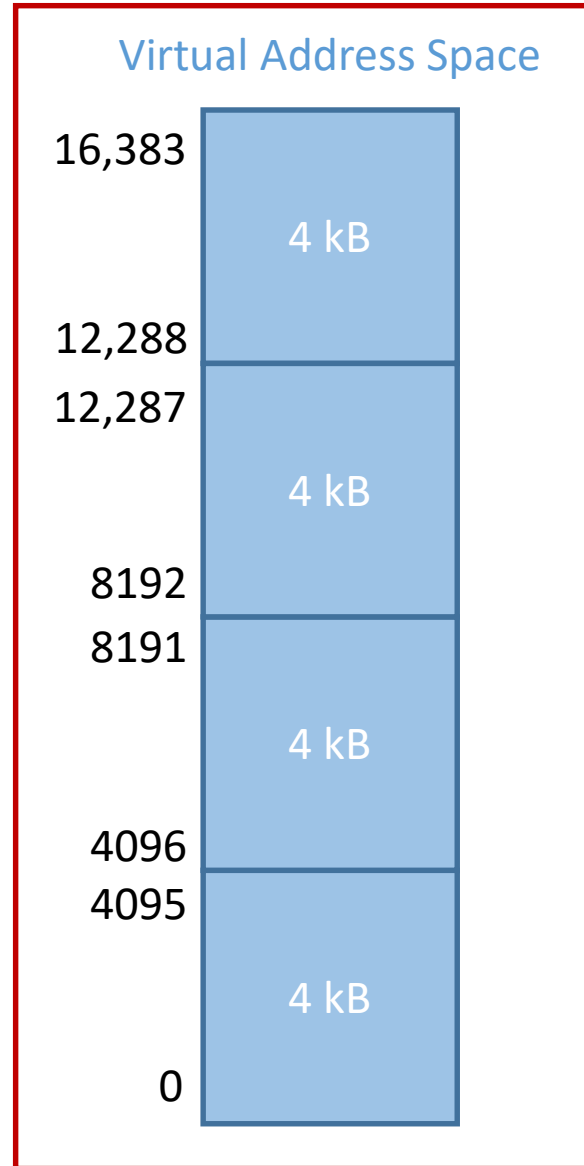
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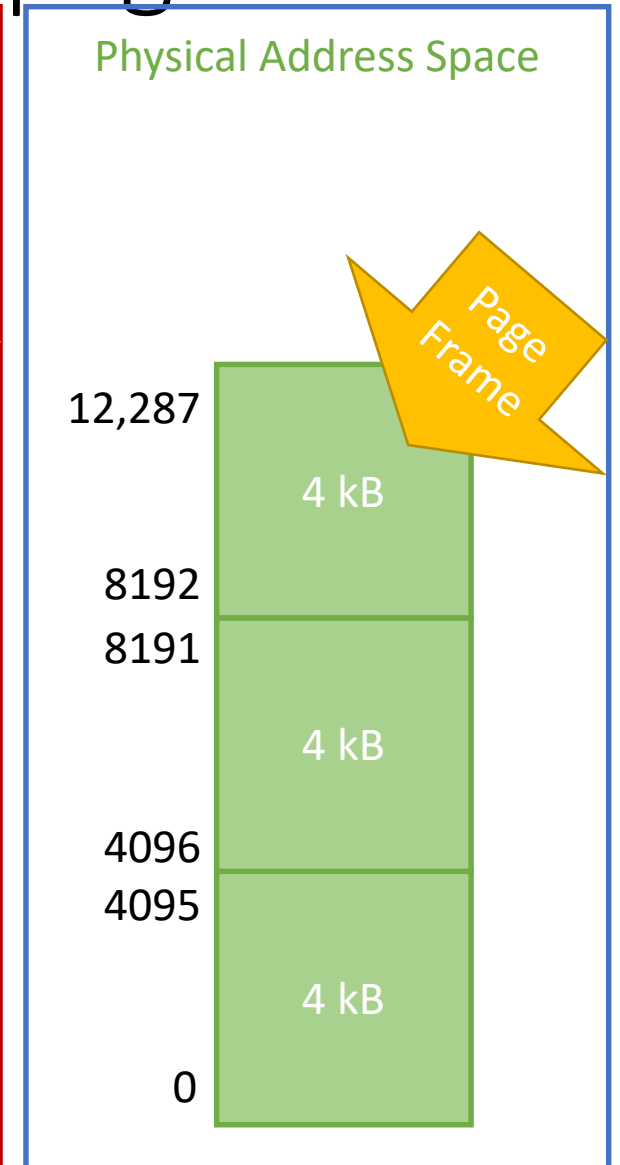
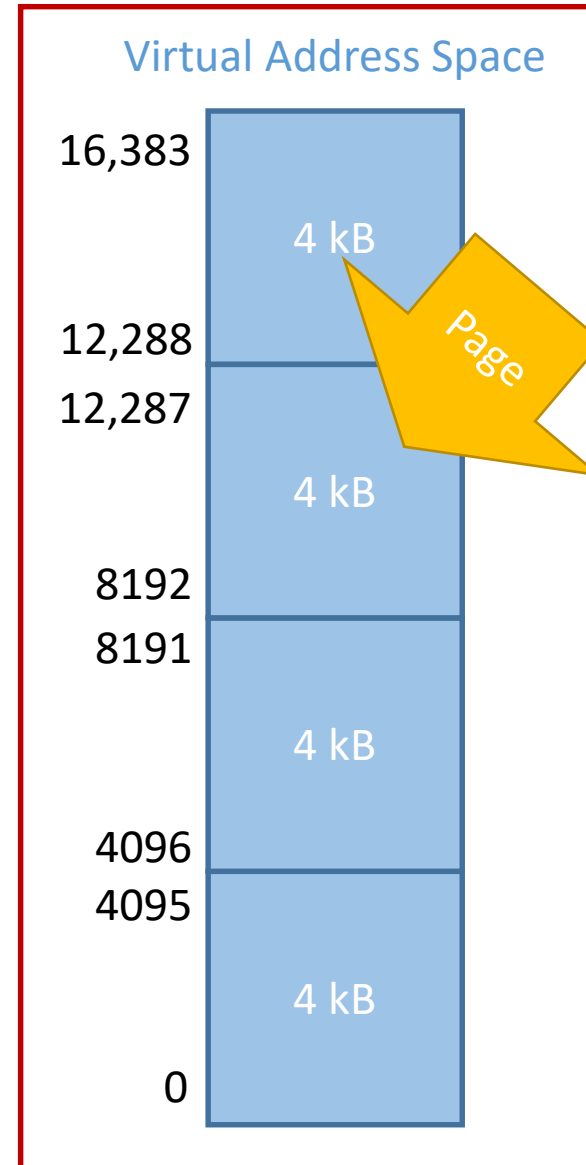
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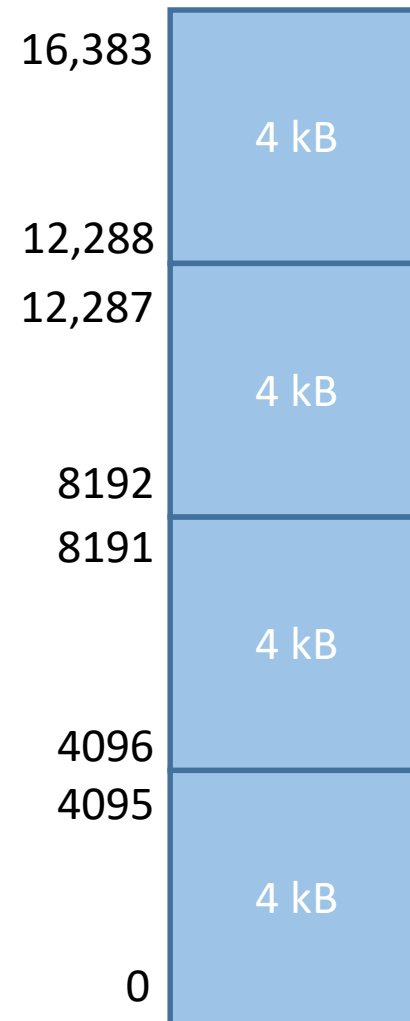


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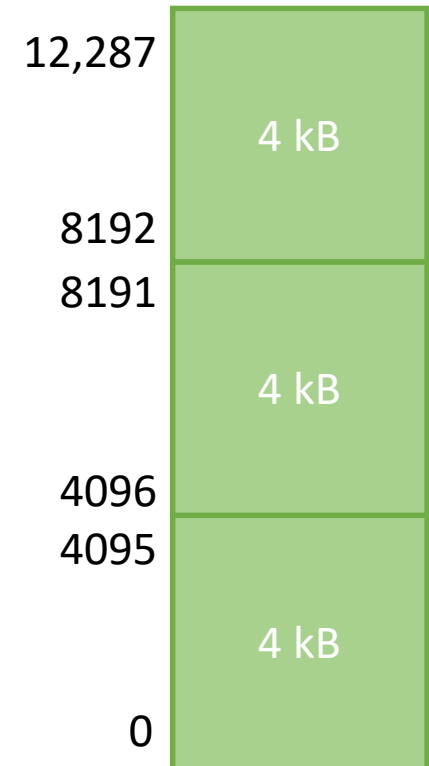
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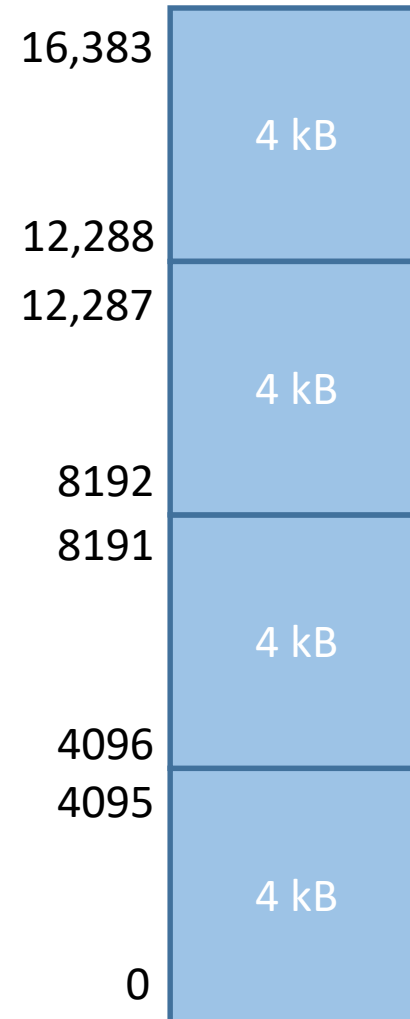
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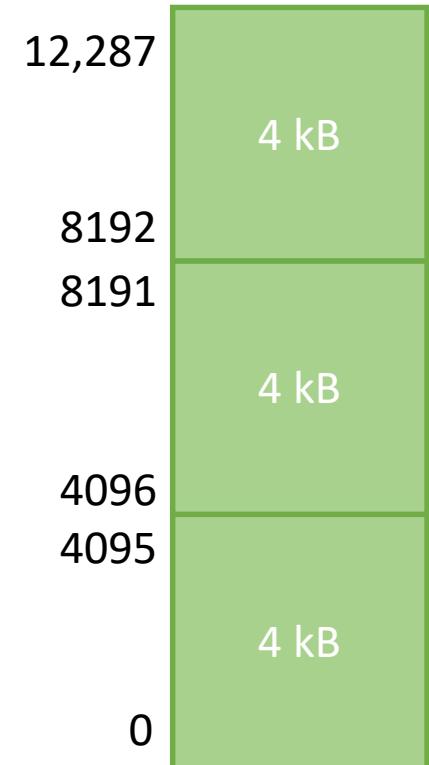
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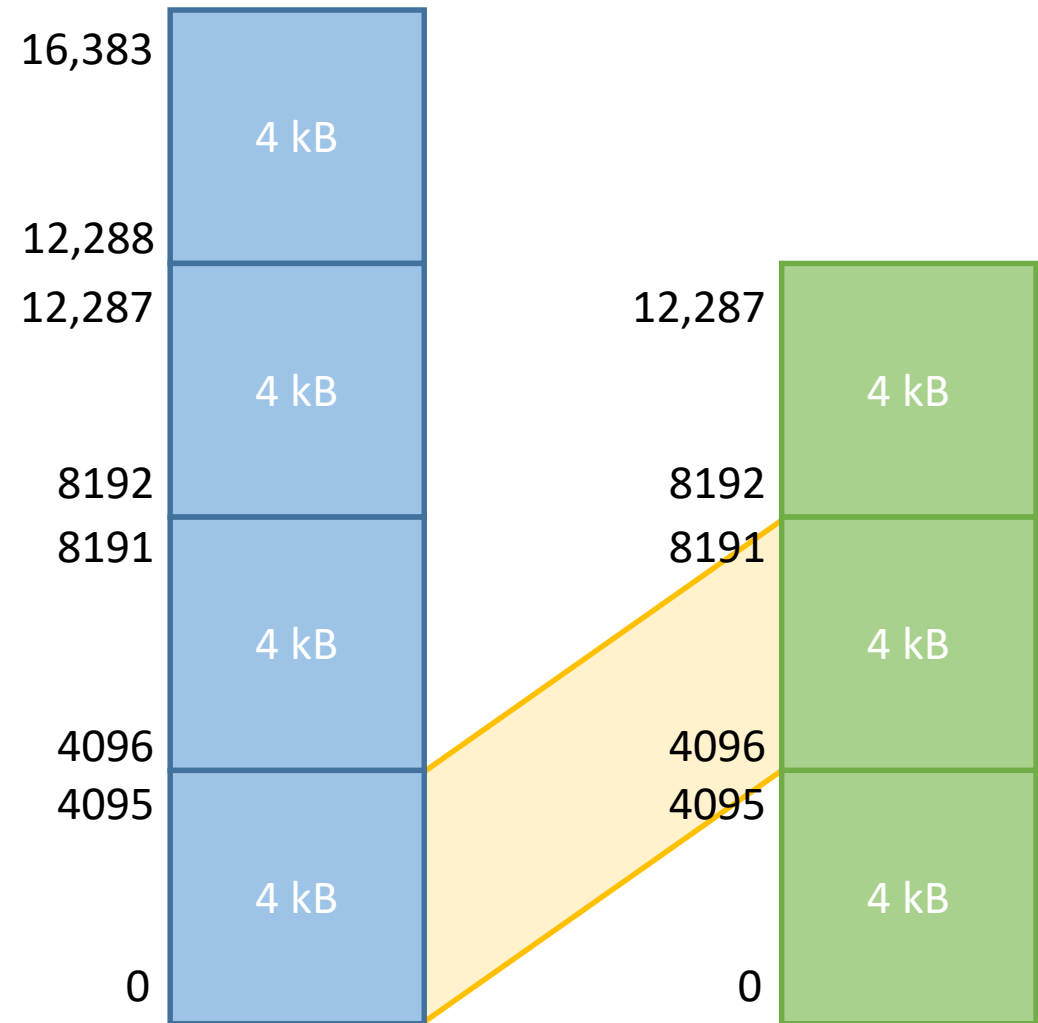
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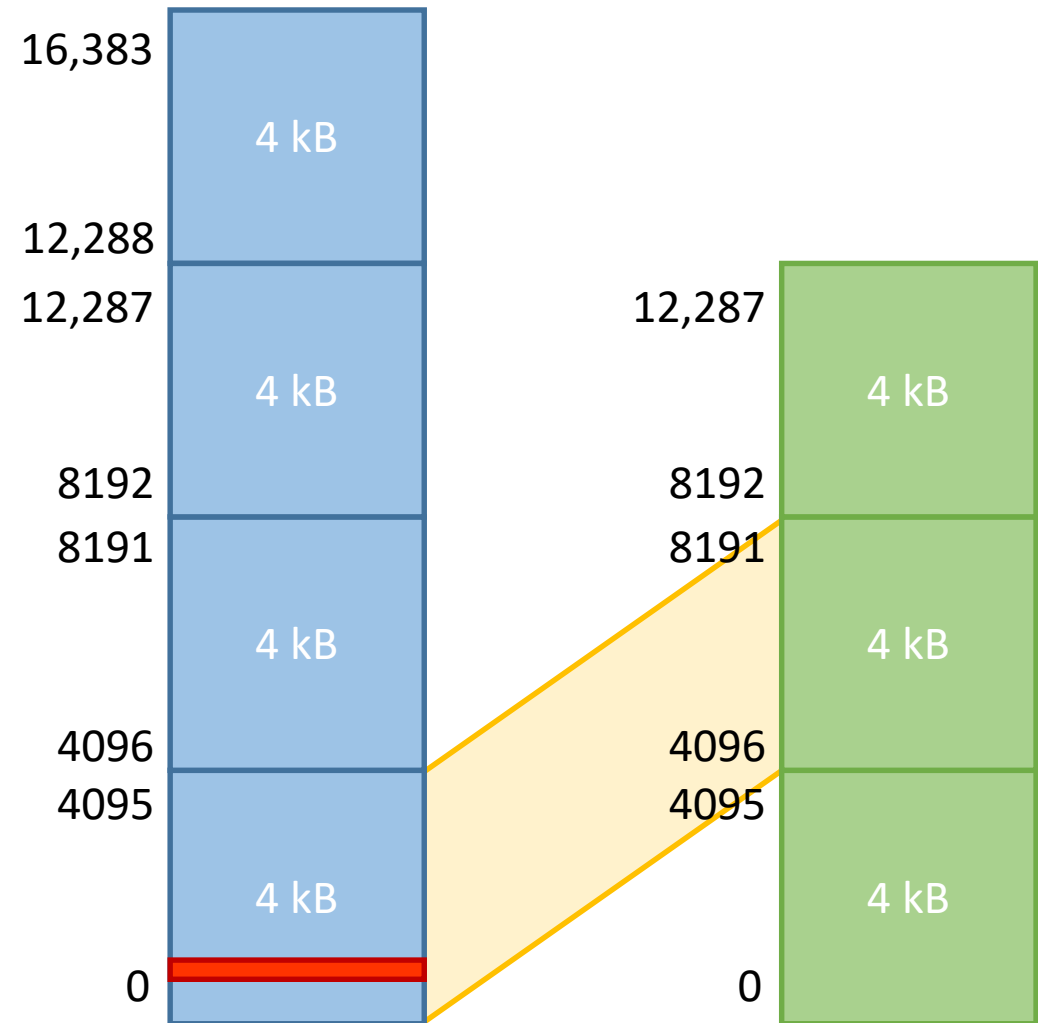
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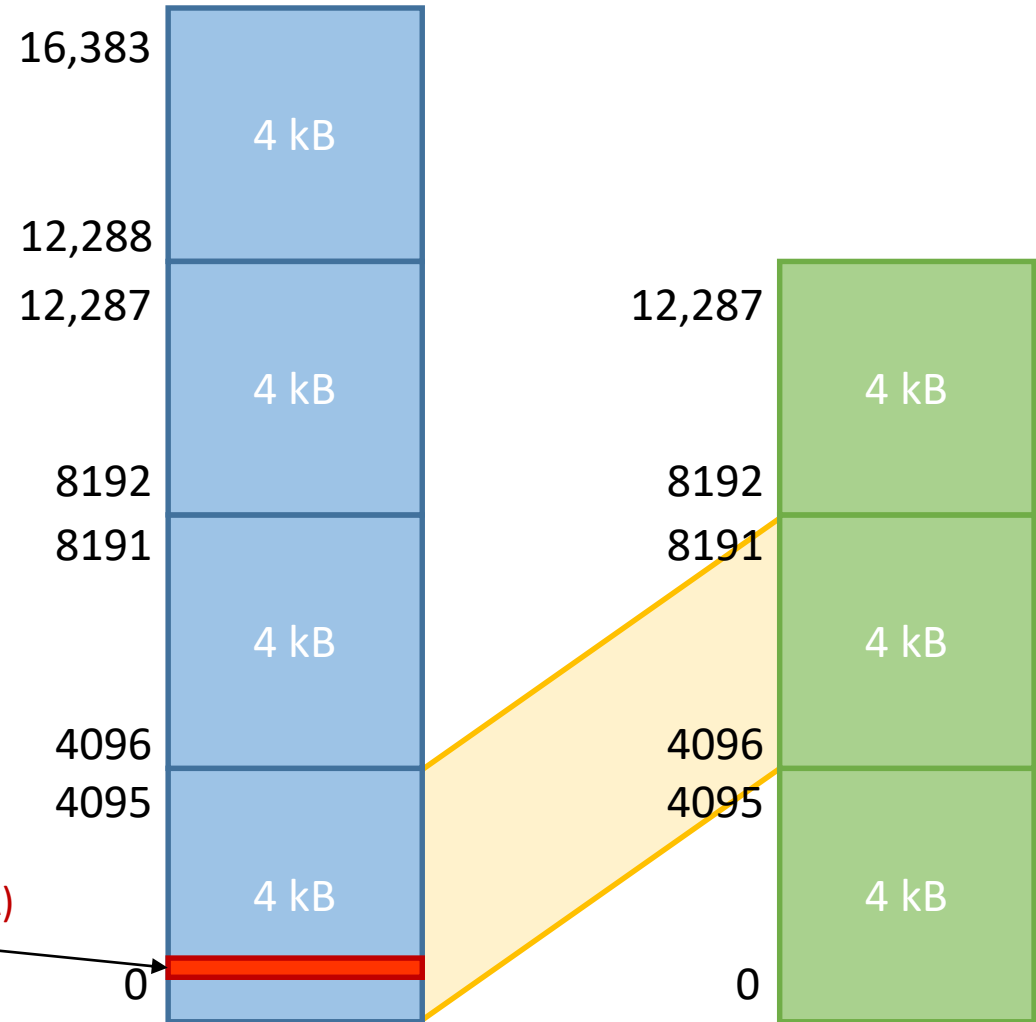
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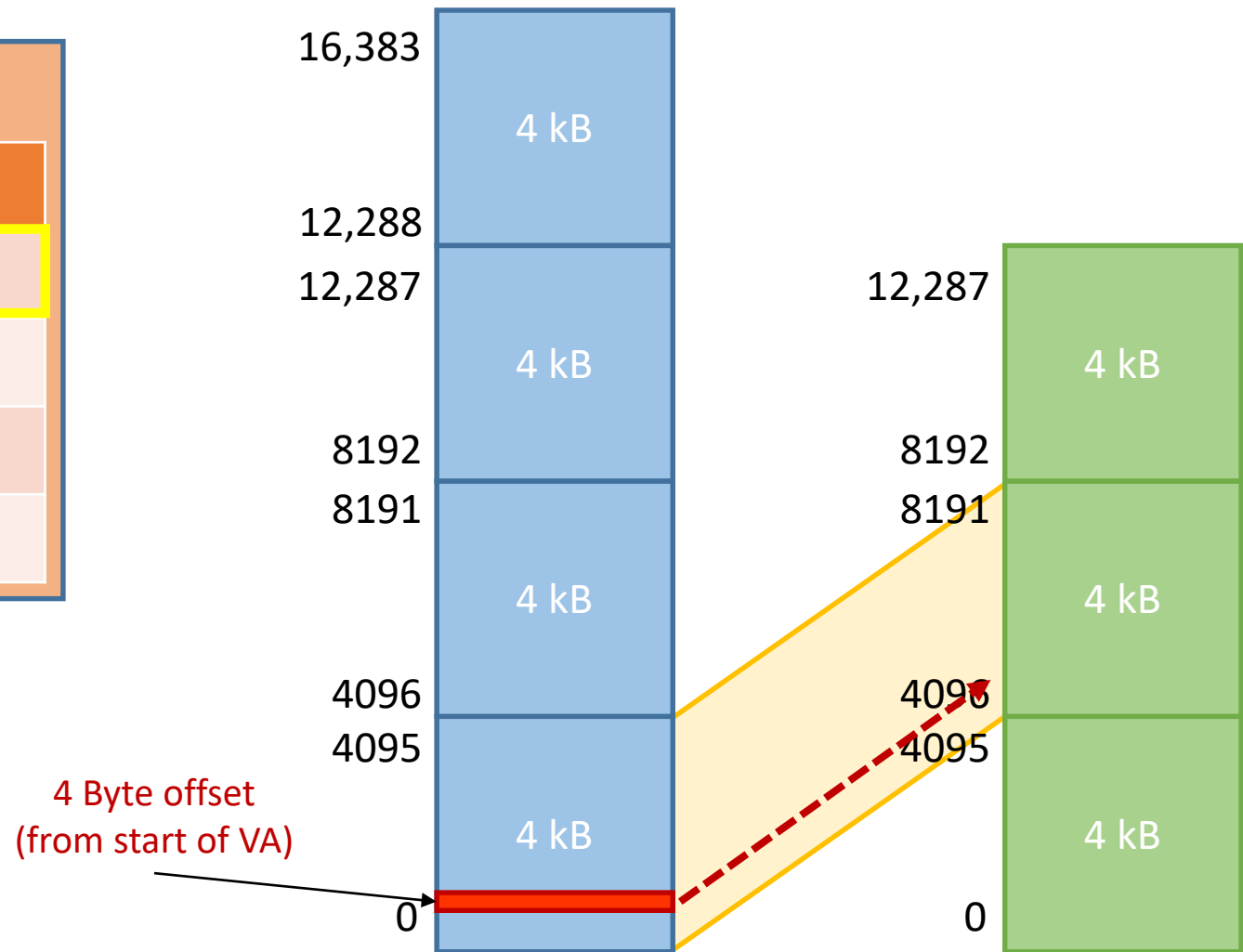
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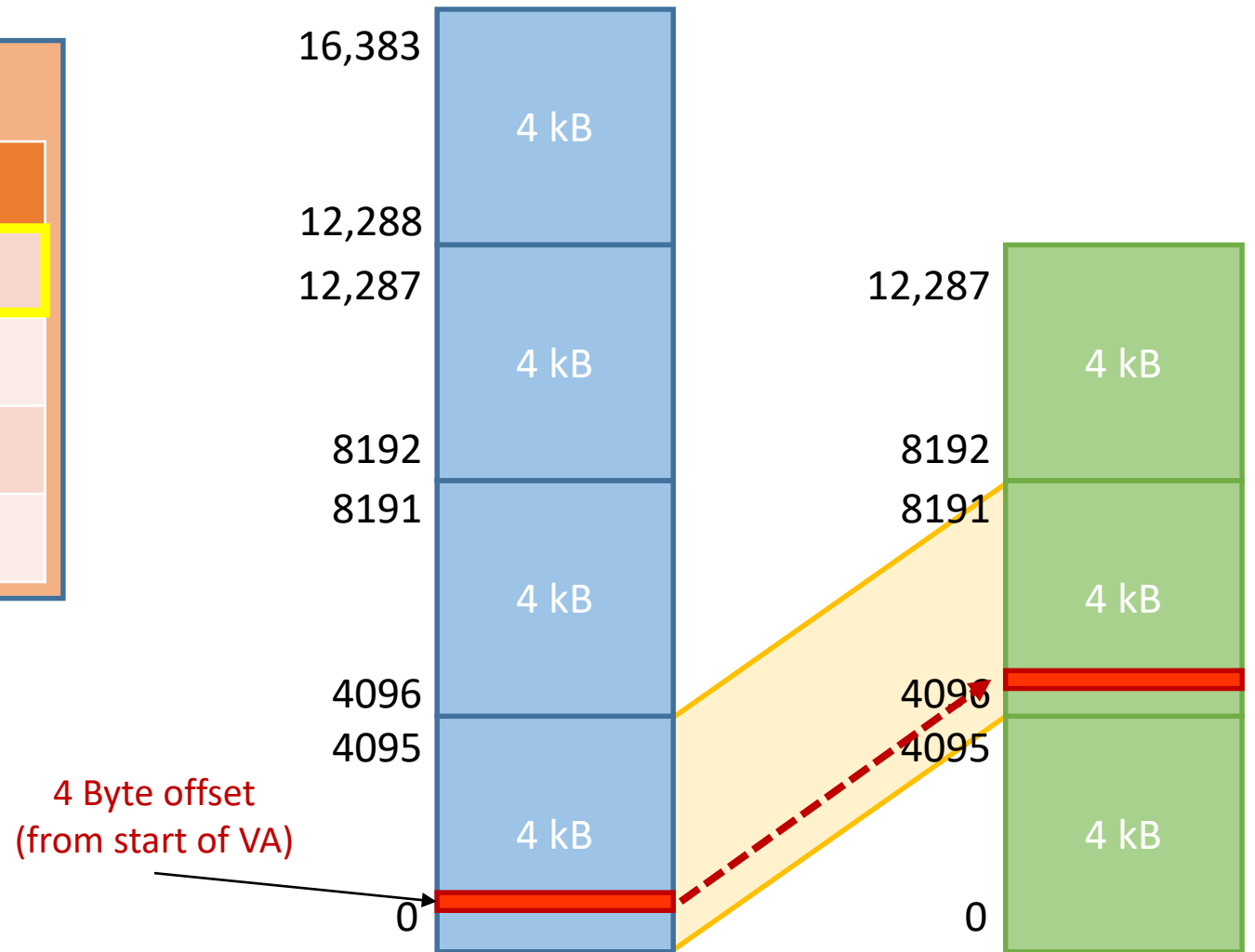
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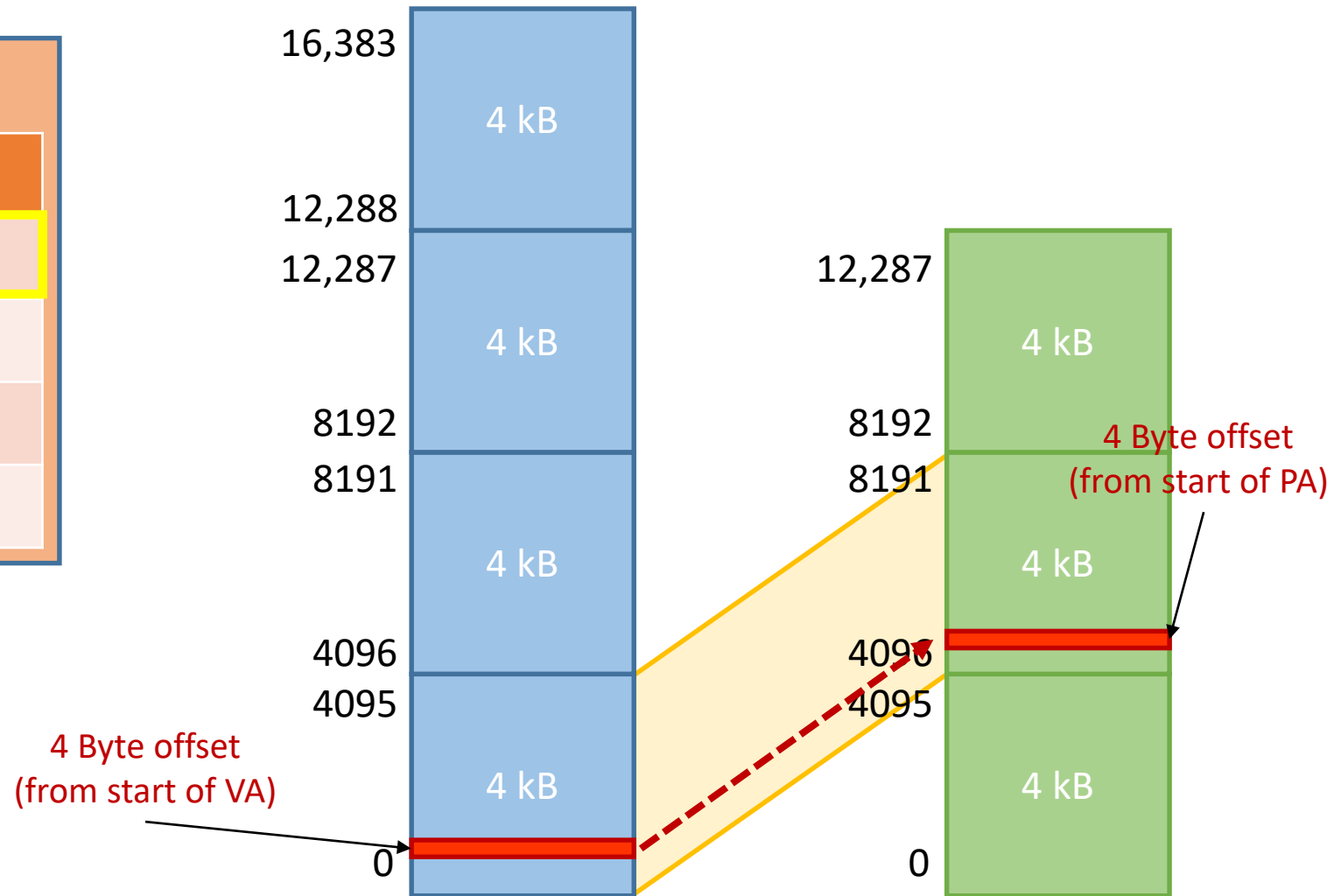
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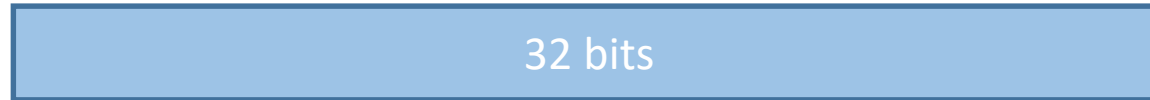
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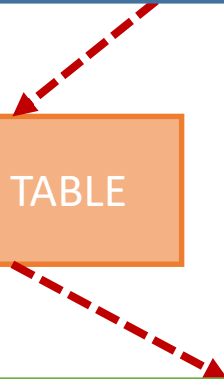
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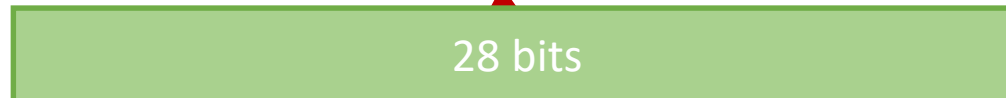
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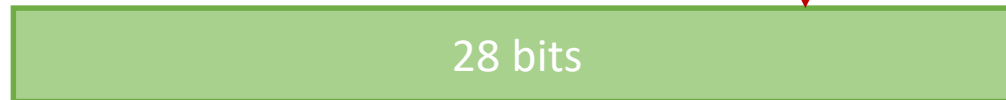
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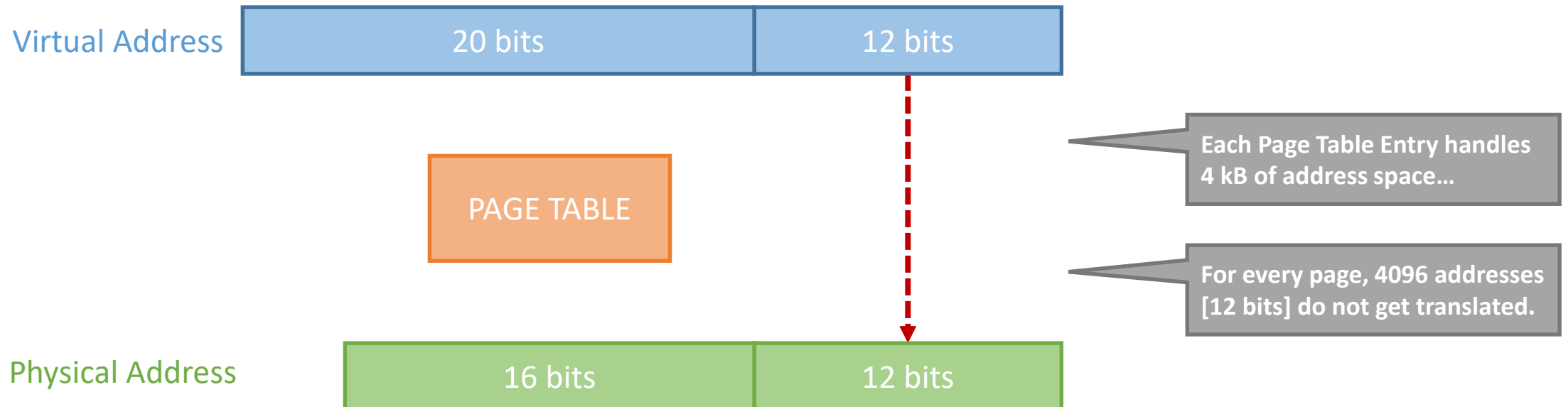
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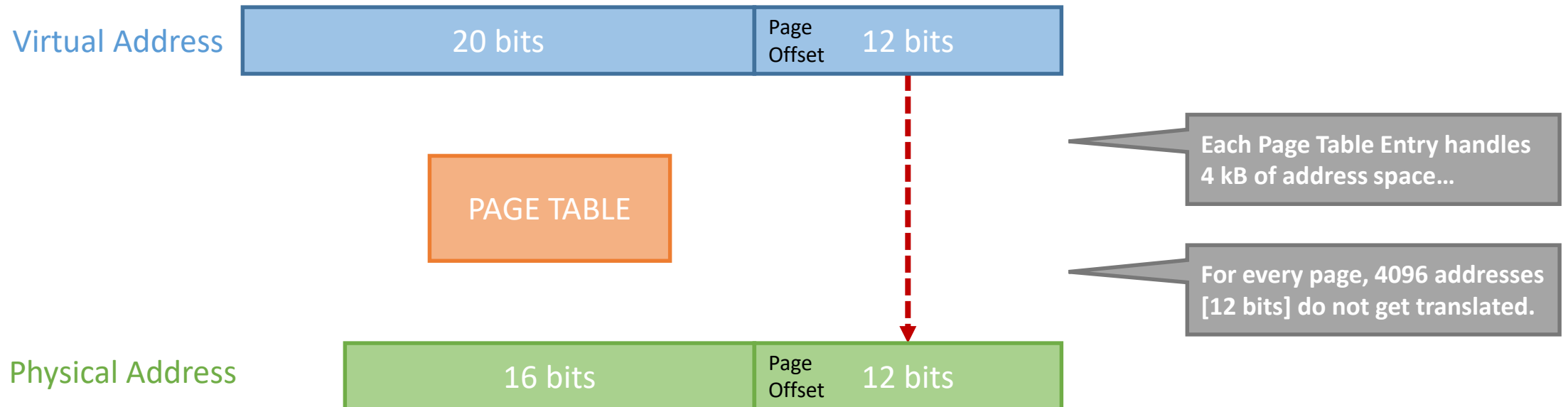
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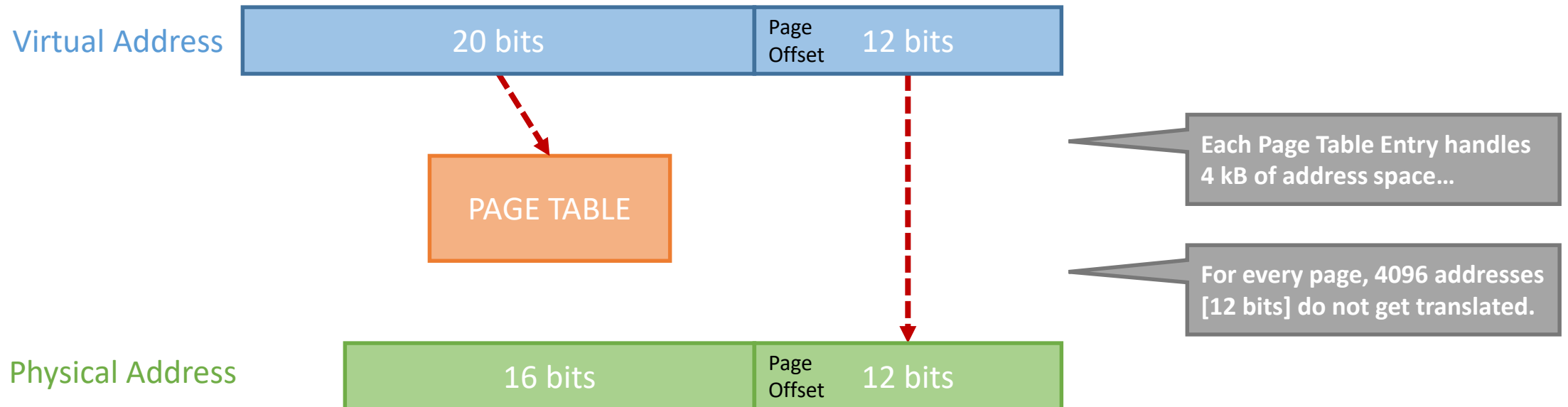
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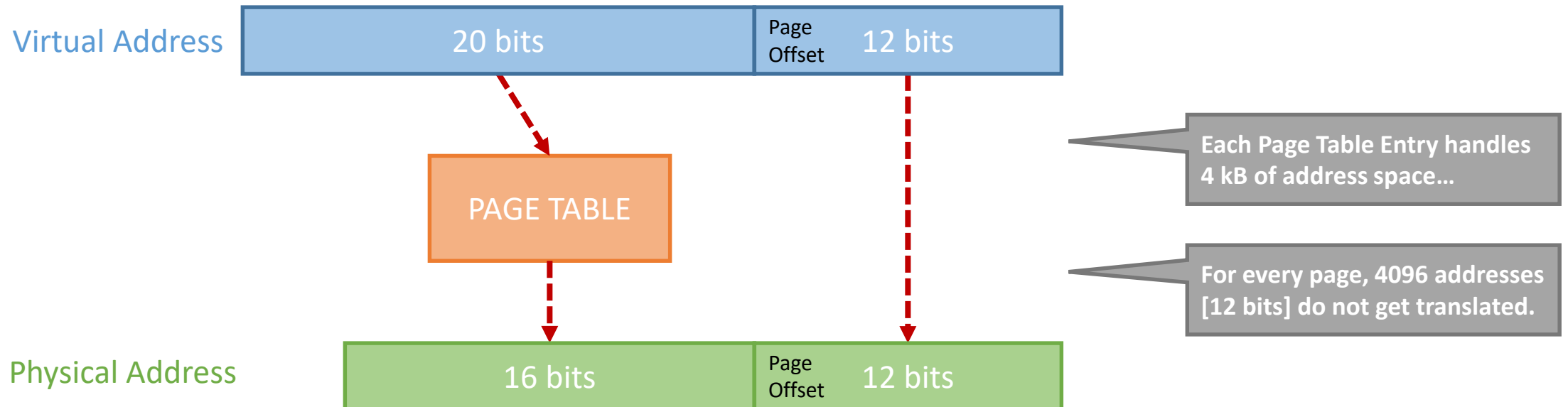
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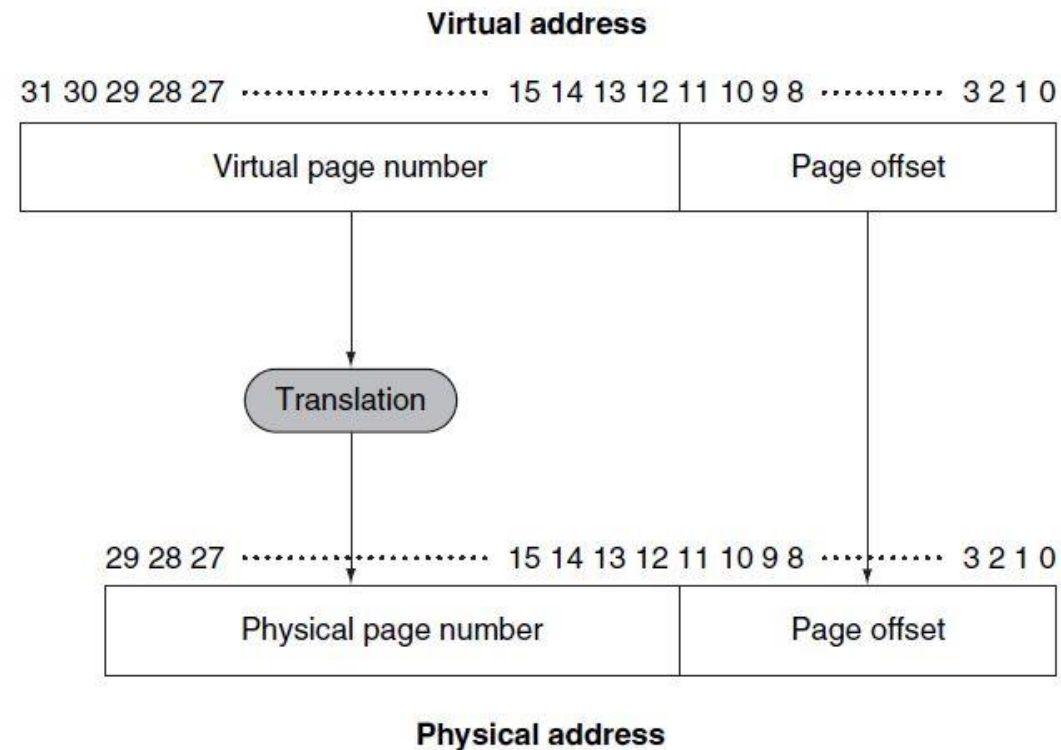


FIGURE 5.26 Mapping from a virtual to a physical address. The page size is $2^{12} = 4$ KiB. The number of physical pages allowed in memory is 2^{18} , since the physical page number has 18 bits in it. Thus, main memory can have at most 1 GiB, while the virtual address space is 4 GiB.

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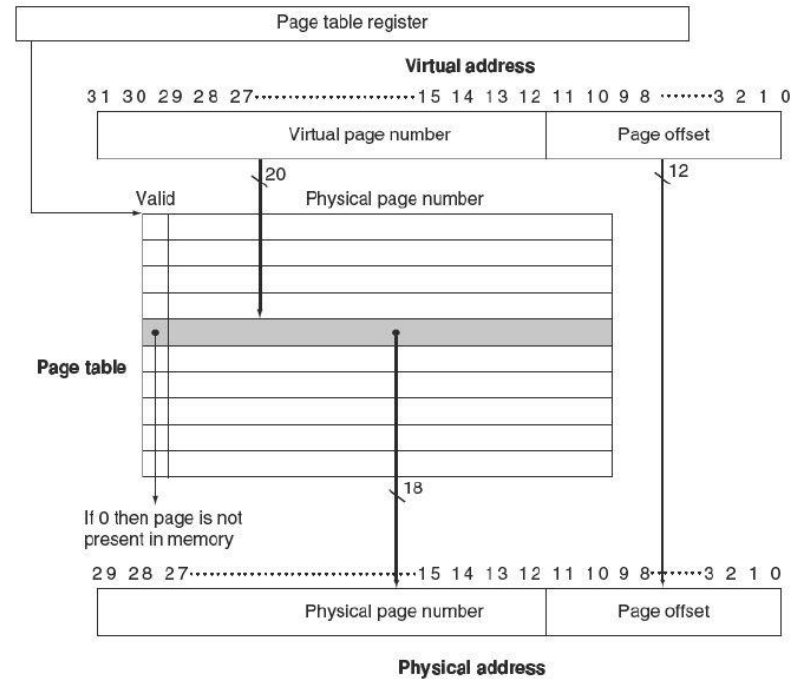


FIGURE 5.27 The page table is indexed with the virtual page number to obtain the corresponding portion of the physical address. We assume a 32-bit address. The page table pointer gives the starting address of the page table. In this figure, the page size is 2^{12} bytes, or 4 KiB. The virtual address space is 2^{32} bytes, or 4 GiB, and the physical address space is 2^{30} bytes, which allows main memory of up to 1 GiB. The number of entries in the page table is 2^{20} , or 1 million entries. The valid bit for each entry indicates whether the mapping is legal. If it is off, then the page is not present in memory. Although the page table entry shown here need only be 19 bits wide, it would typically be rounded up to 32 bits for ease of indexing. The extra bits would be used to store additional information that needs to be kept on a per-page basis, such as protection.

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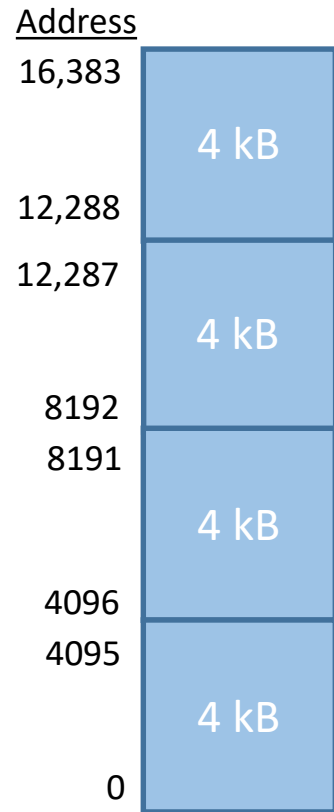


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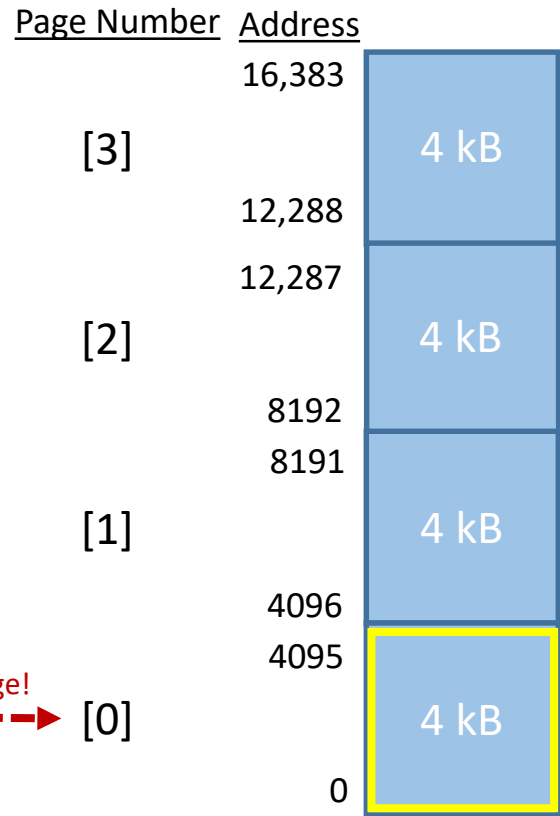
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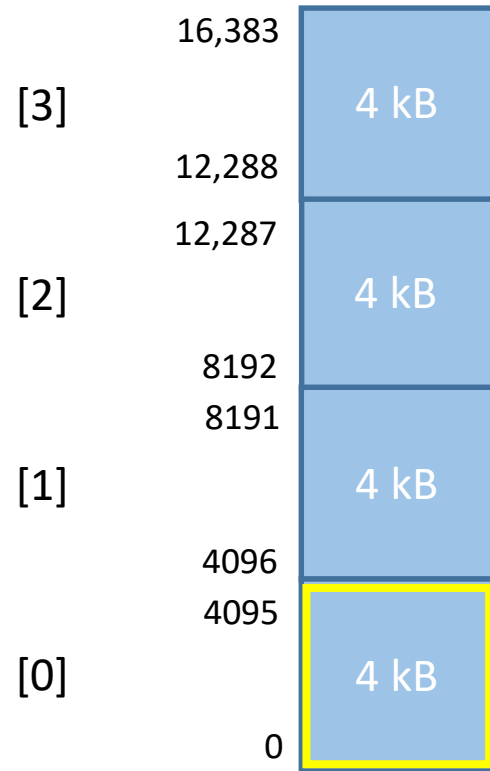
Computer Specs:
32-bit ISA, 256 MB of RAM, 4 kB pages

32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address

12-bit Page Offset [Index]

Virtual Address Space

Page Number Address



Selects a page!



Virtual Page Number
20 bits

Page Offset
12 bits

Address Translation

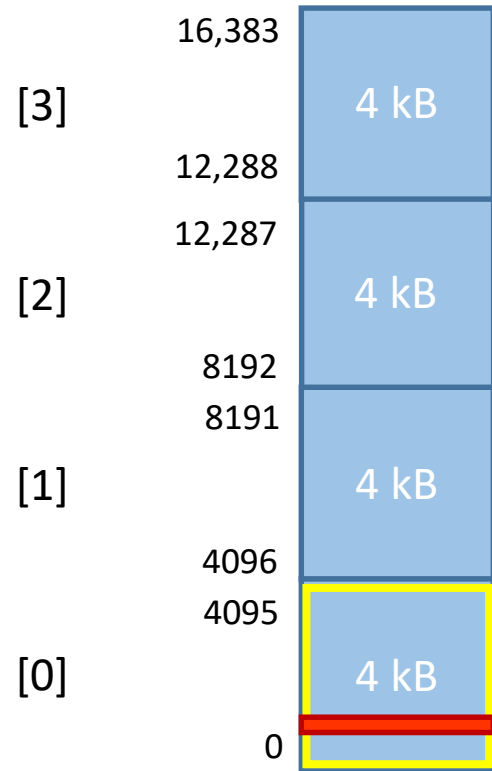
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32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address

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Virtual Address Space

Page Number Address



Selects a page!

Selects a Word within a page!

Virtual Page Number 20 bits

Page Offset 12 bits

Address Translation

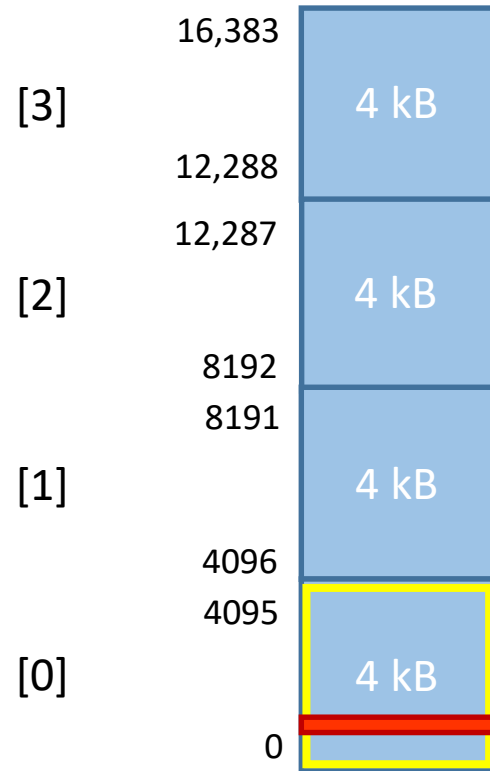
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Virtual Address Space

Page Number Address



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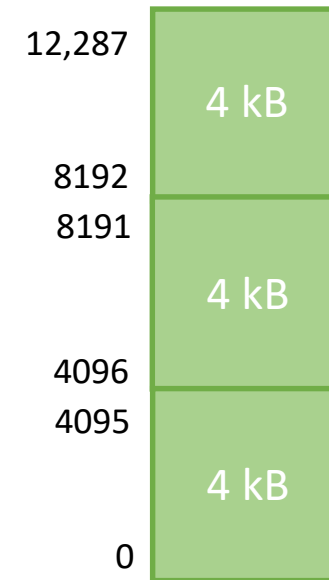
Selects a Word
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Virtual Page
Number 20 bits

Page
Offset 12 bits

Physical Address Space

Address



Address Translation

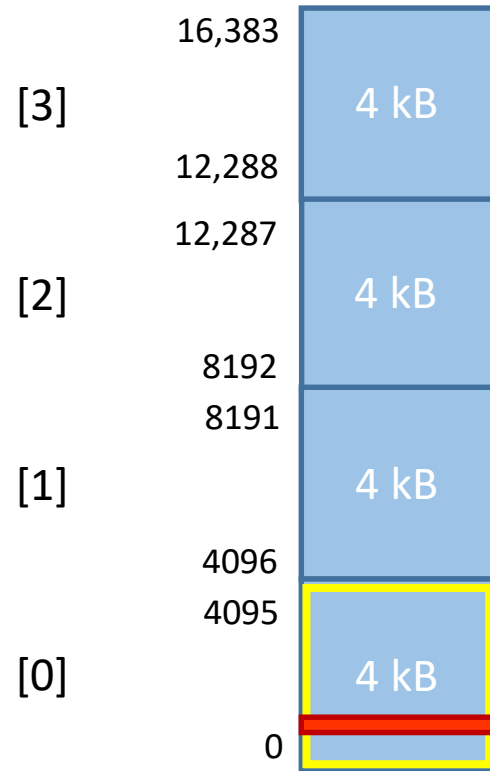
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Virtual Address Space

Page Number Address



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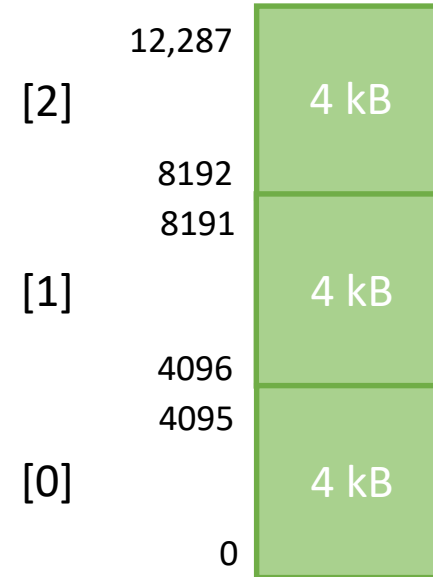
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Page Offset 12 bits

Physical Address Space

Page Number Address



Virtual Page Number 20 bits

Page Offset 12 bits

Address Translation

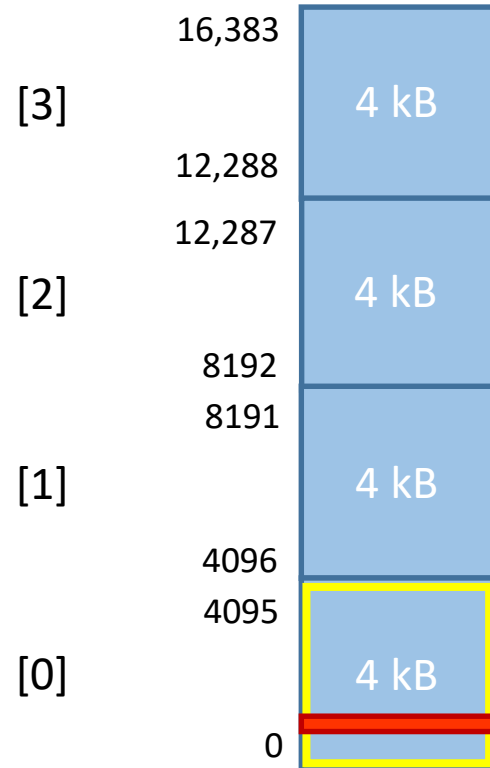
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28-bit Physical Address

12-bit Page Offset [Index]

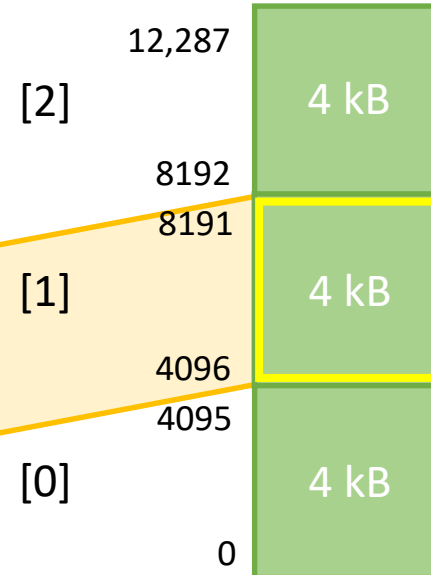
Virtual Address Space

Page Number Address



Physical Address Space

Page Number Address



Selects a page!

Selects a Word
within a page!

Virtual Page
Number

20 bits

Page
Offset

12 bits

Address Translation

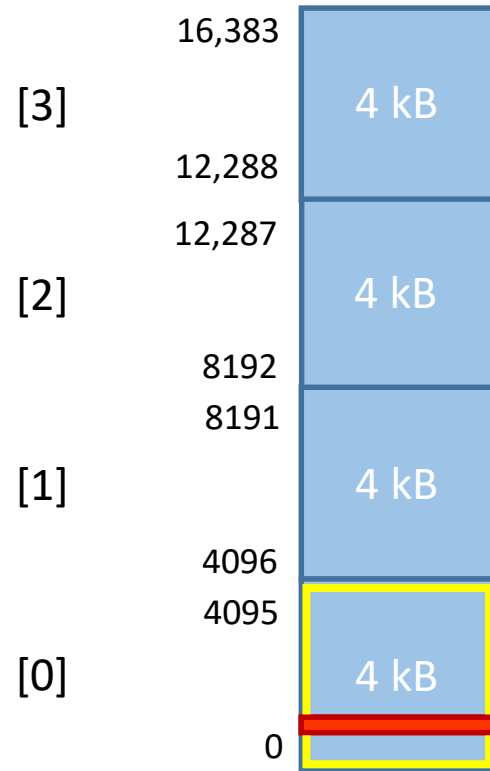
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32-bit Virtual Address
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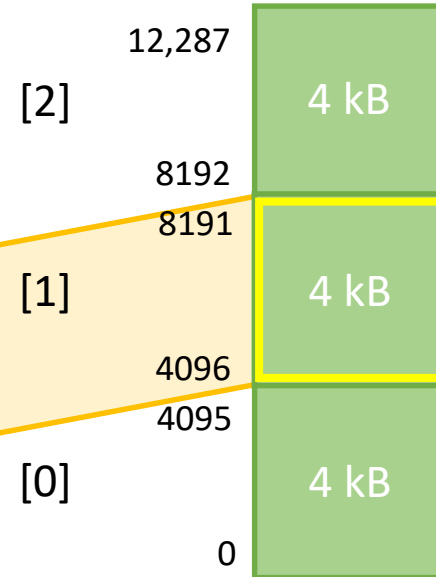
Virtual Address Space

Page Number Address



Physical Address Space

Page Number Address



Selects a page!

Selects a Word within a page!

Virtual Page Number 20 bits

Page Offset 12 bits

Physical Page Number 16 bits

Address Translation

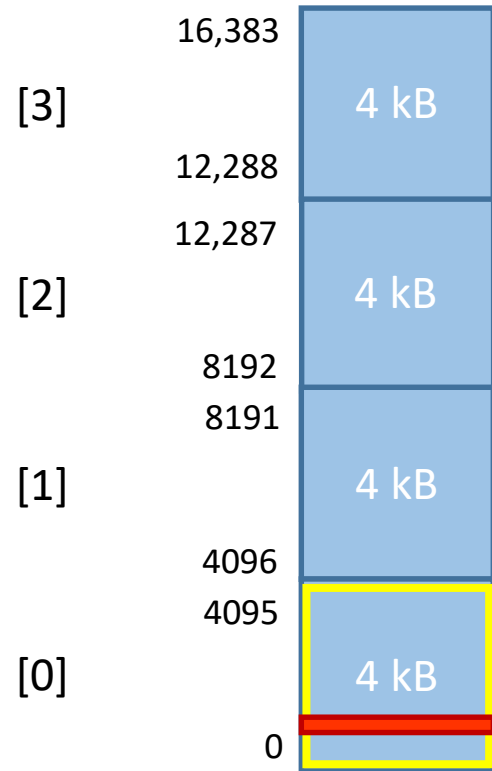
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32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address

12-bit Page Offset [Index]

Virtual Address Space

Page Number Address



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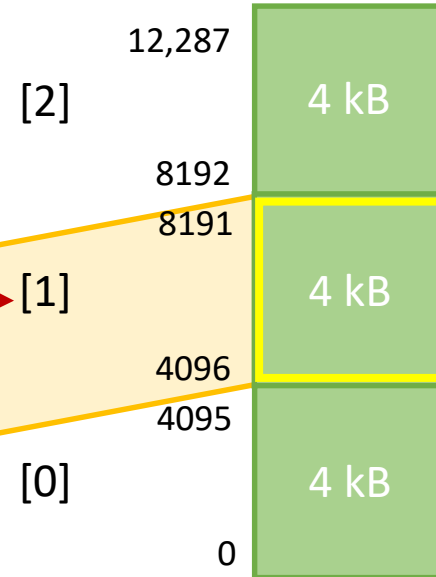
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Virtual Page Number 20 bits

Page Offset 12 bits

Physical Address Space

Page Number Address



Physical Page Number 16 bits

TRANSLATED

Address Translation

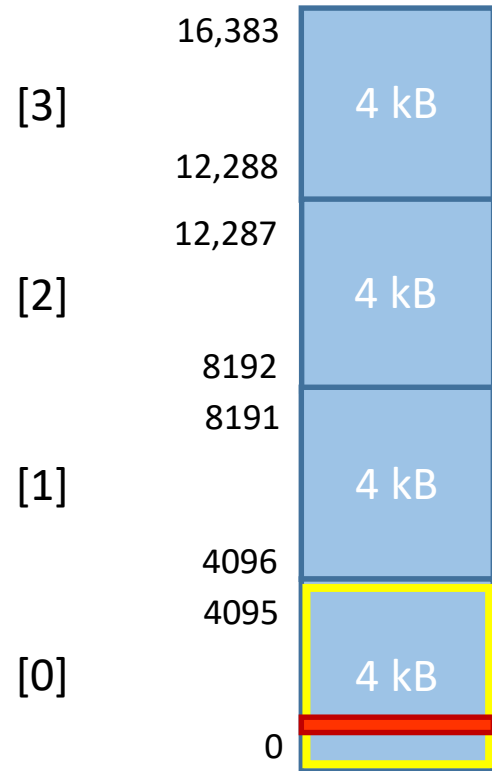
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Virtual Address Space

Page Number Address



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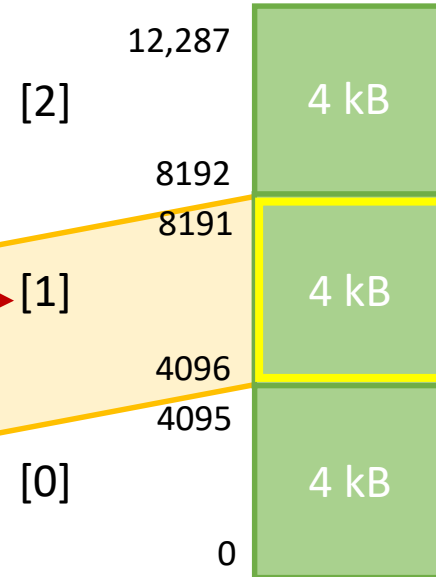
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Physical Address Space

Page Number Address



Physical Page Number 16 bits

Page Offset 12 bits

TRANSLATED

Address Translation

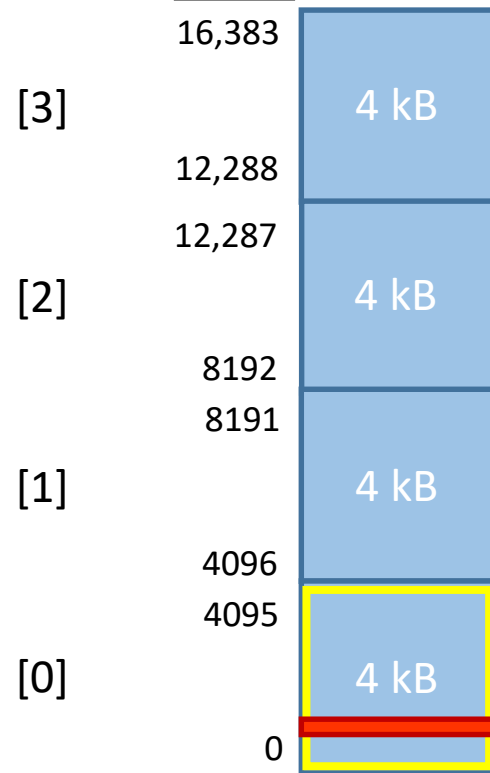
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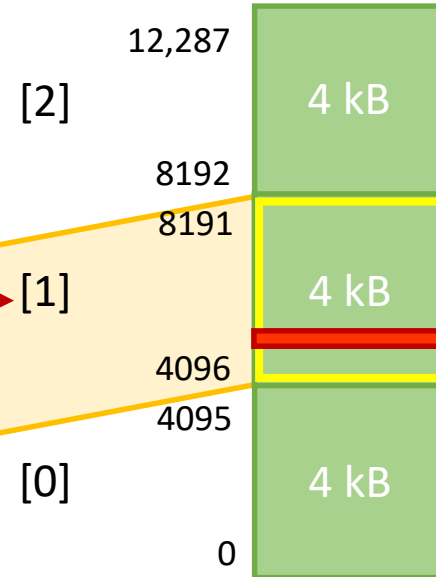
Selects a Word within a page!

Virtual Page Number 20 bits

Page Offset 12 bits

Physical Address Space

Page Number Address



[1]

[0]

Physical Page Number 16 bits

Page Offset 12 bits

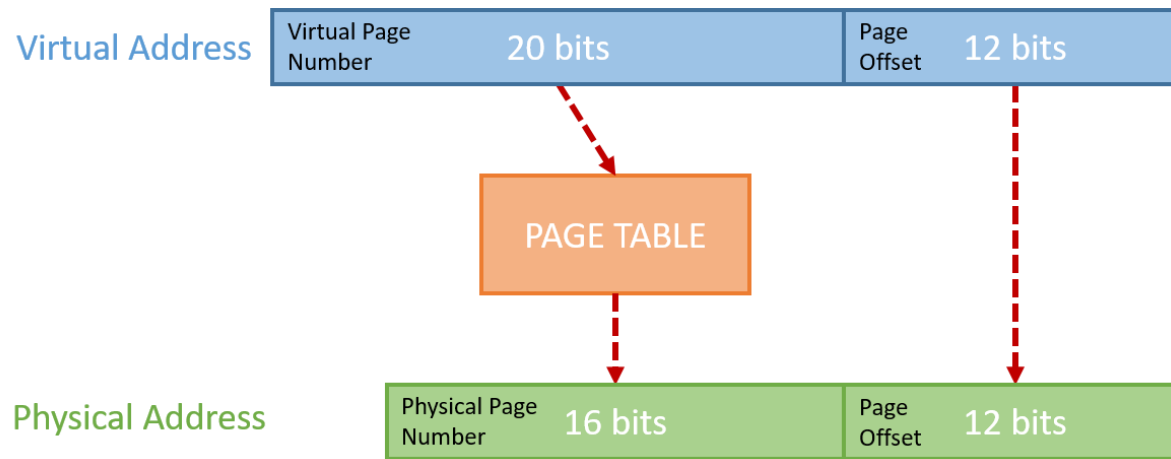
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Address Translation

Computer Specs:
32-bit ISA, **256 MB of RAM**, 4 kB pages

Q: Why do we have more Virtual Page Number bits than Physical Page Number bits in this example?

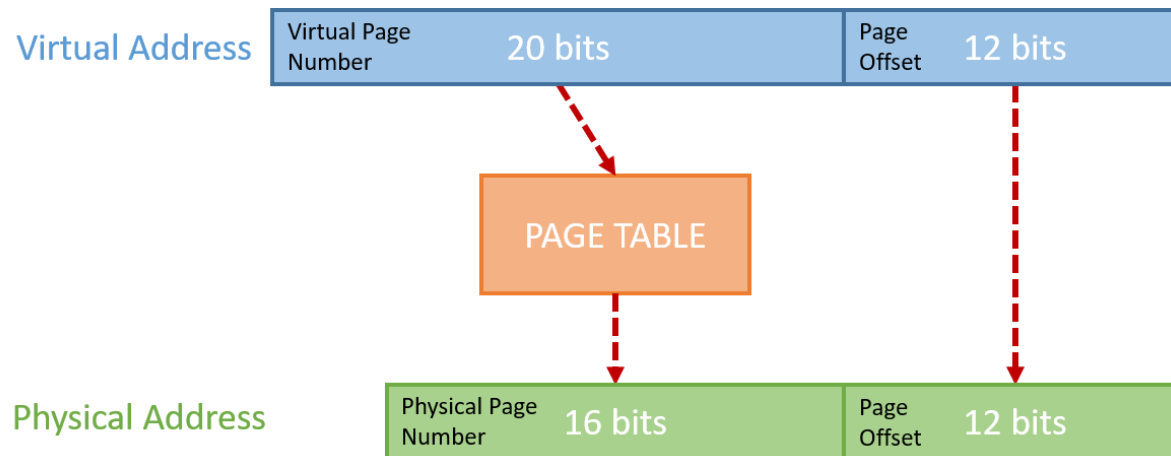


Address Translation

Computer Specs:
32-bit ISA, **256 MB of RAM**, 4 kB pages

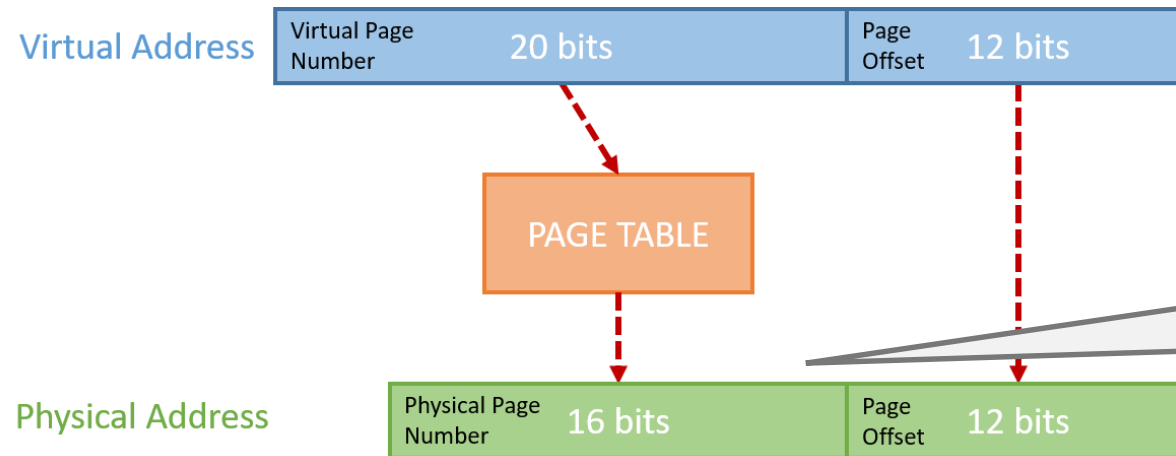
Q: Why do we have more Virtual Page Number bits than Physical Page Number bits in this example?

A: The virtual address space is larger than our physical RAM in this example (here assumed to be 256 MB).



Address Translation

Computer Specs:
32-bit ISA, **256 MB of RAM**, 4 kB pages



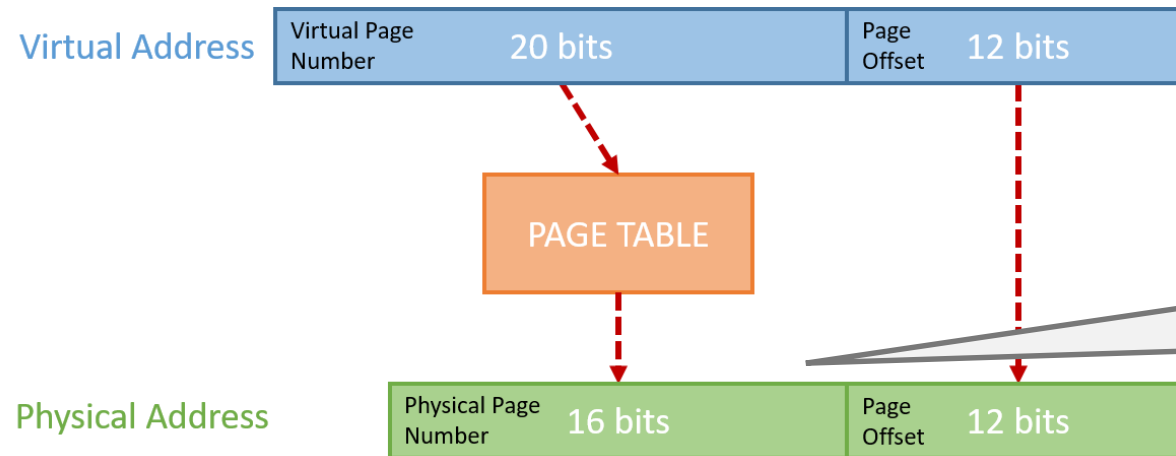
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Address Translation

Computer Specs:
32-bit ISA, **256 MB of RAM**, 4 kB pages



Q: Why do we have more Virtual Page Number bits than Physical Page Number bits in this example?

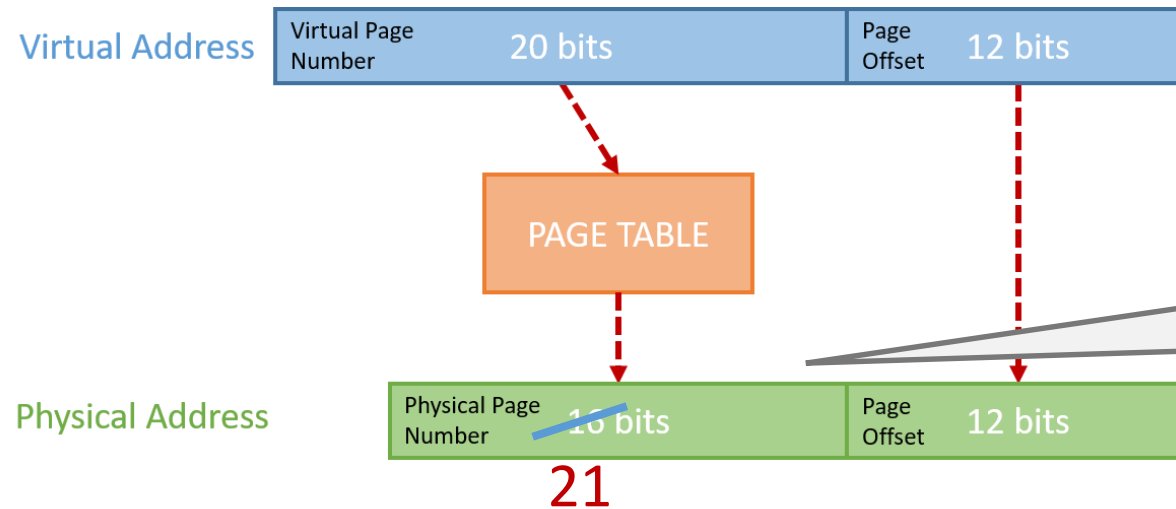
A: The virtual address space is larger than our physical RAM in this example (here assumed to be 256 MB).

Q: What would change if we now have **8 GB of RAM** installed (instead of 256MB)?

A: The physical address space is now larger than our virtual address space. We need 33 bits to address all Words in memory. Our Physical Page is now 21 bits.

Address Translation

Computer Specs:
32-bit ISA, **256 MB of RAM**, 4 kB pages



Q: Why do we have more Virtual Page Number bits than Physical Page Number bits in this example?

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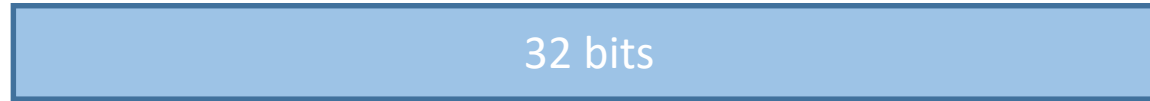
Address Translation Example

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

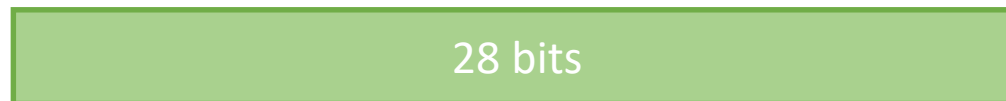
Virtual Address
[32 bit]



Page Table
[20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
0x0 0001	0x0001
0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

Physical Address
[28 bits]



Address Translation Example

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
[32 bit]



Page Table
[20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
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Physical Address
[28 bits]



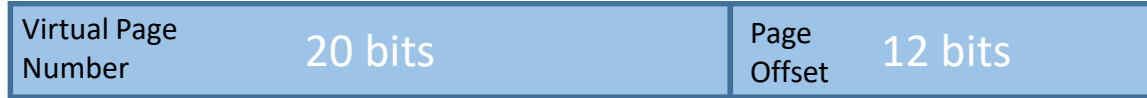
Address Translation Example

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
[32 bit]



Page Table
[20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
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0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

Physical Address
[28 bits]



Address Translation Example

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
[32 bit]



Page Table
[20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
0x0 0001	0x0001
0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

Physical Address
[28 bits]



Address Translation Example

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
[32 bit]



Page Table
[20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
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0xF FFFF	0x00F5

Physical Address
[28 bits]

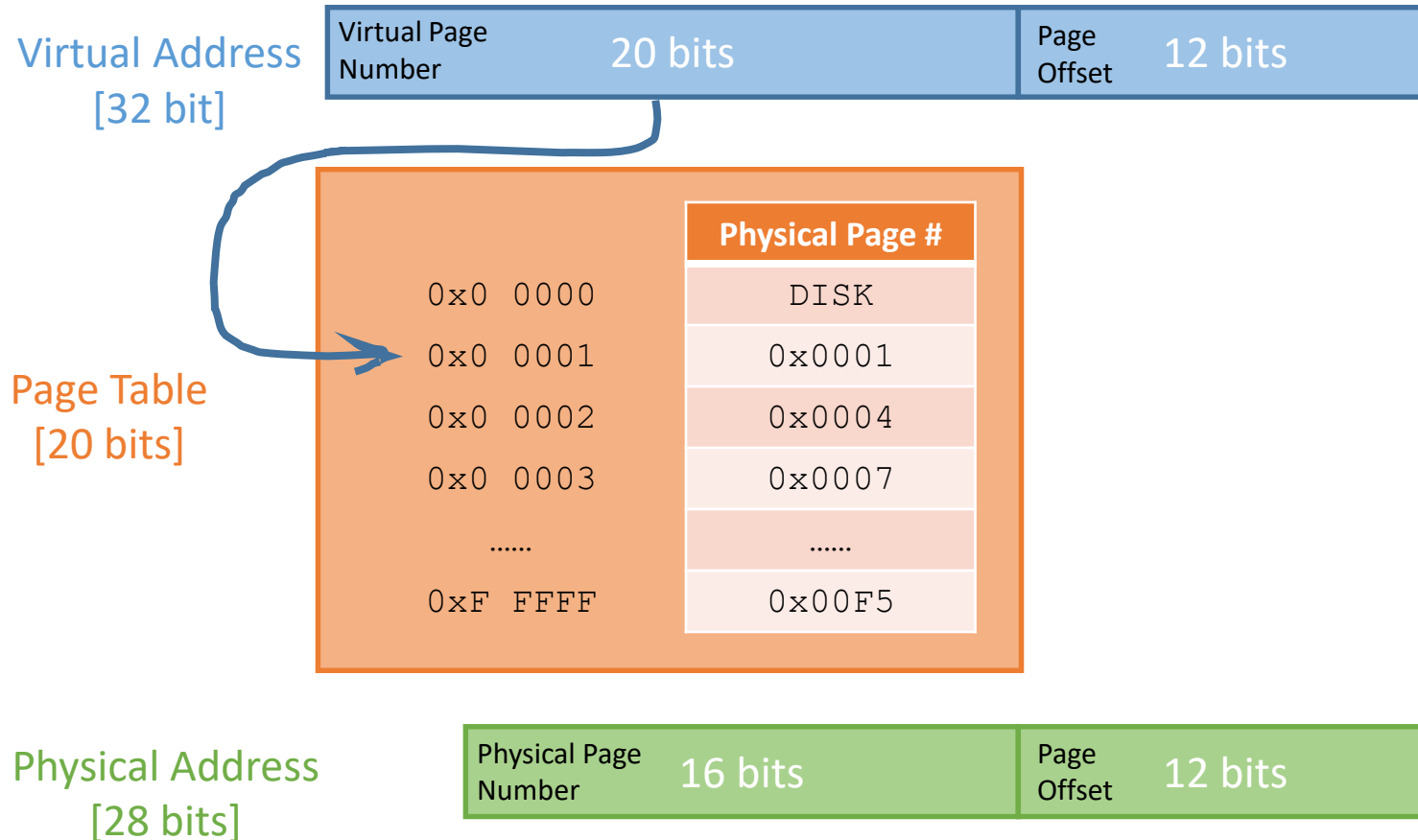


Address Translation Example

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

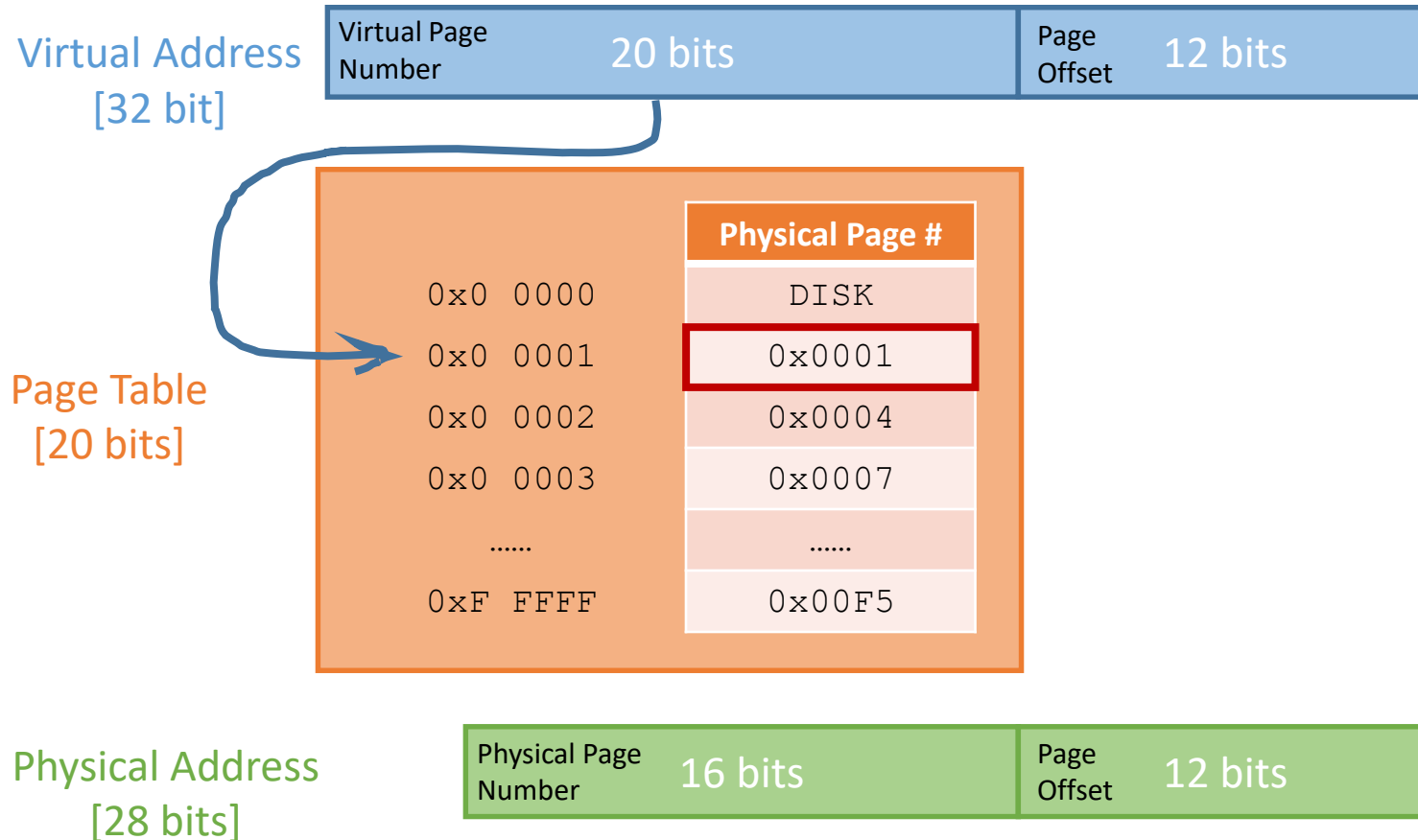


Address Translation Example

Computer Specs:
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RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



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32-bit Virtual Address
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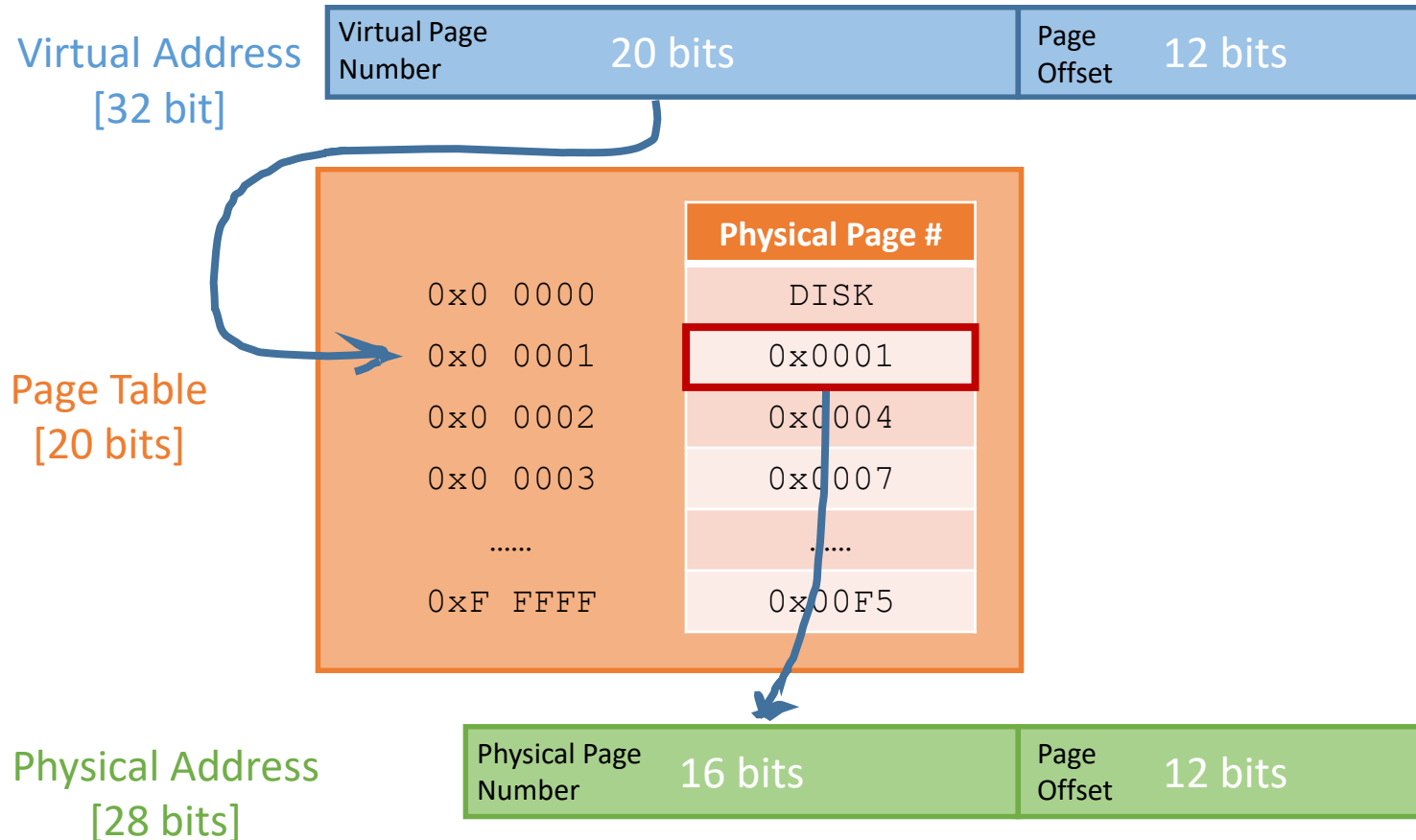


Address Translation Example

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



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32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

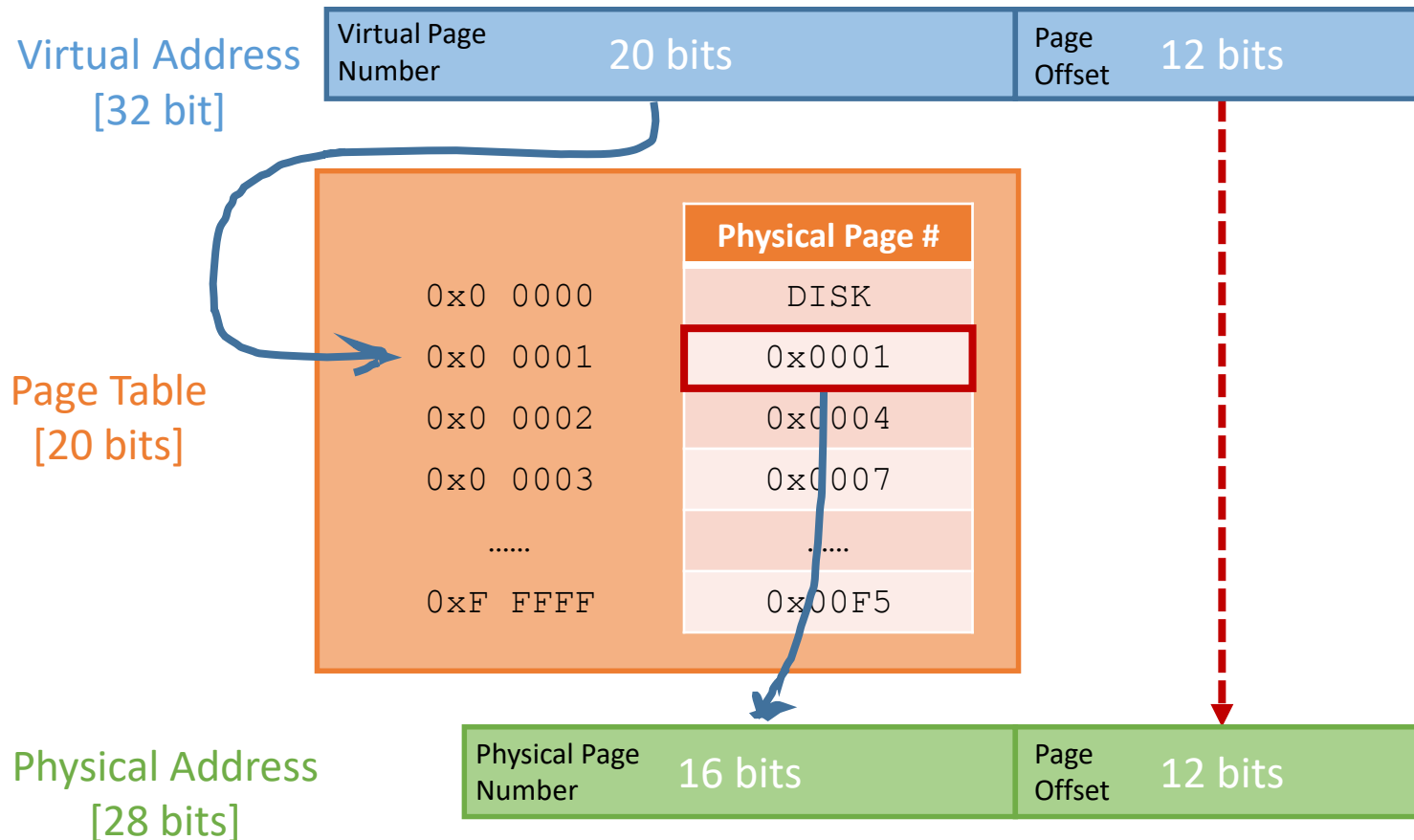


Address Translation Example

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset



Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
[32 bit]



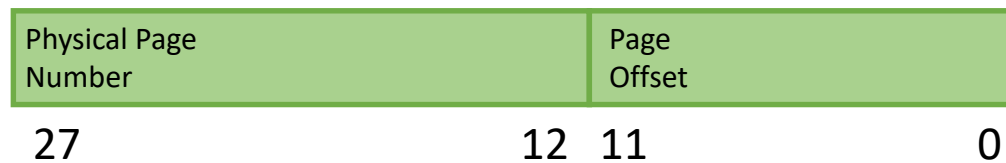
Page Table
[20 bits]

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0x0 0000	DISK
0x0 0001	0x0001
0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

EXAMPLE:

Using the page table to the left, find the **Physical Address** associated with **Virtual Address 0x00003103**

Physical Address
[28 bits]



Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
 ISA: 32-bit
 RAM: 256 MB
 Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
 32-bit Virtual Address
 28-bit Physical Address
 12-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
 [32 bit]



Page Table
 [20 bits]

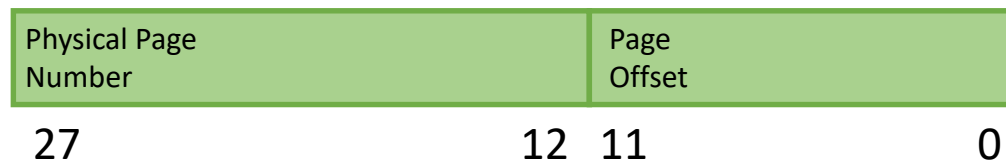
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0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

EXAMPLE:

Using the page table to the left, find the **Physical Address** associated with **Virtual Address 0x00003103**

VA: 0x00003 103

Physical Address
 [28 bits]



Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
 ISA: 32-bit
 RAM: 256 MB
 Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
 32-bit Virtual Address
 28-bit Physical Address
 12-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
 [32 bit]



Page Table
 [20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
0x0 0001	0x0001
0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

EXAMPLE:

Using the page table to the left, find the **Physical Address** associated with **Virtual Address 0x00003103**

VA: 0x00003 103

Physical Address
 [28 bits]



Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
[32 bit]



Page Table
[20 bits]

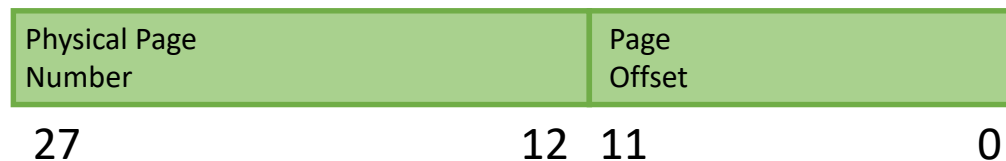
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0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

EXAMPLE:

Using the page table to the left, find the Physical Address associated with Virtual Address **0x00003103**

VA: 0x00003 103

Physical Address
[28 bits]



Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset



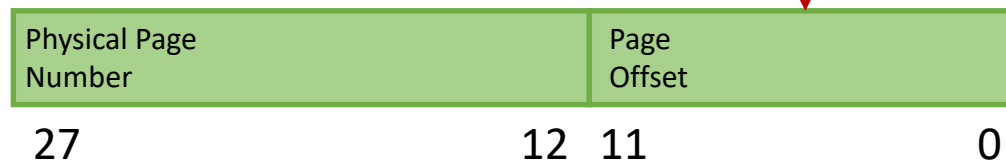
Page Table [20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
0x0 0001	0x0001
0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

EXAMPLE:
Using the page table to the left, find the **Physical Address** associated with **Virtual Address 0x00003103**

VA: 0x00003 103

Physical Address [28 bits]



Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset



Page Table [20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
0x0 0001	0x0001
0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

EXAMPLE:

Using the page table to the left, find the Physical Address associated with Virtual Address **0x00003103**

VA: 0x00003 103

Physical Address [28 bits]



Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



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32-bit Virtual Address
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12-bit Page Offset

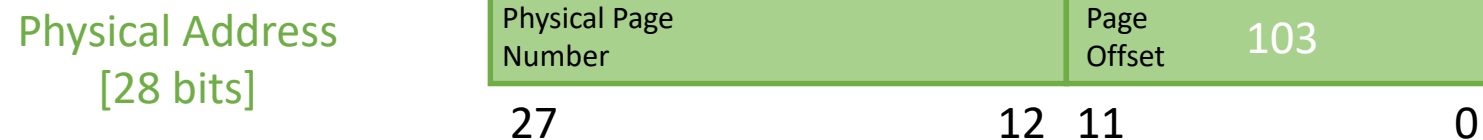


Page Table [20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
0x0 0001	0x0001
0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

EXAMPLE:
Using the page table to the left, find the **Physical Address** associated with **Virtual Address 0x00003103**

VA: 0x00003 103



Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
[32 bit]



Page Table
[20 bits]

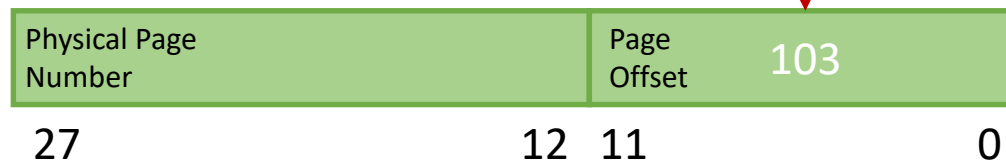
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0x0 0000	DISK
0x0 0001	0x0001
0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

EXAMPLE:

Using the page table to the left, find the Physical Address associated with Virtual Address **0x00003103**

VA: 0x00003 103

Physical Address
[28 bits]



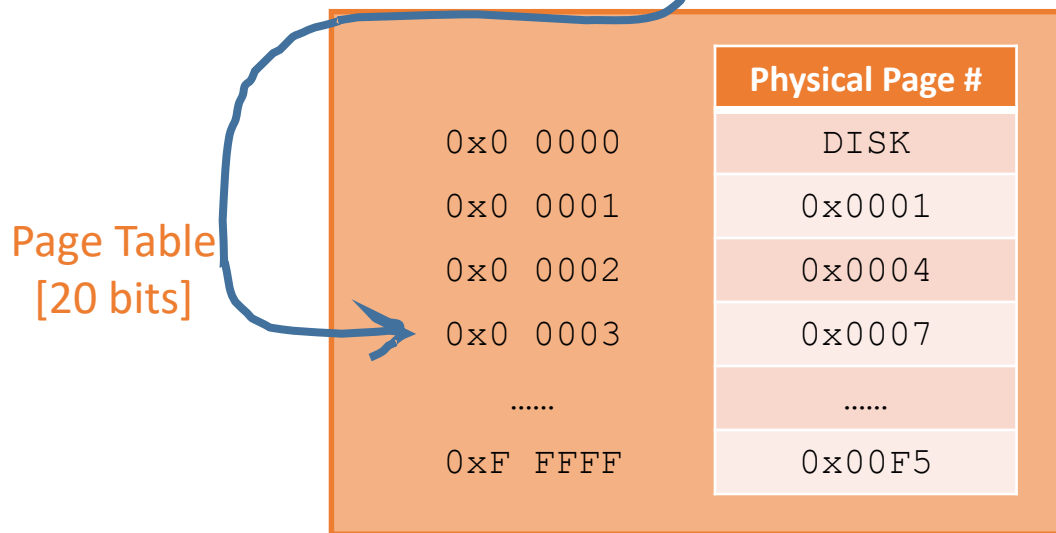
Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB

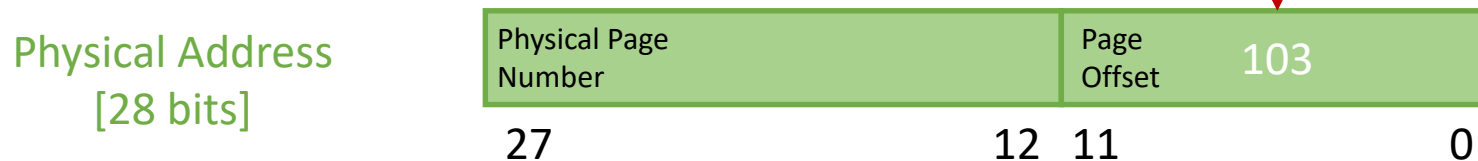


In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset



EXAMPLE:
Using the page table to the left, find the **Physical Address** associated with **Virtual Address 0x00003103**

VA: 0x00003 103



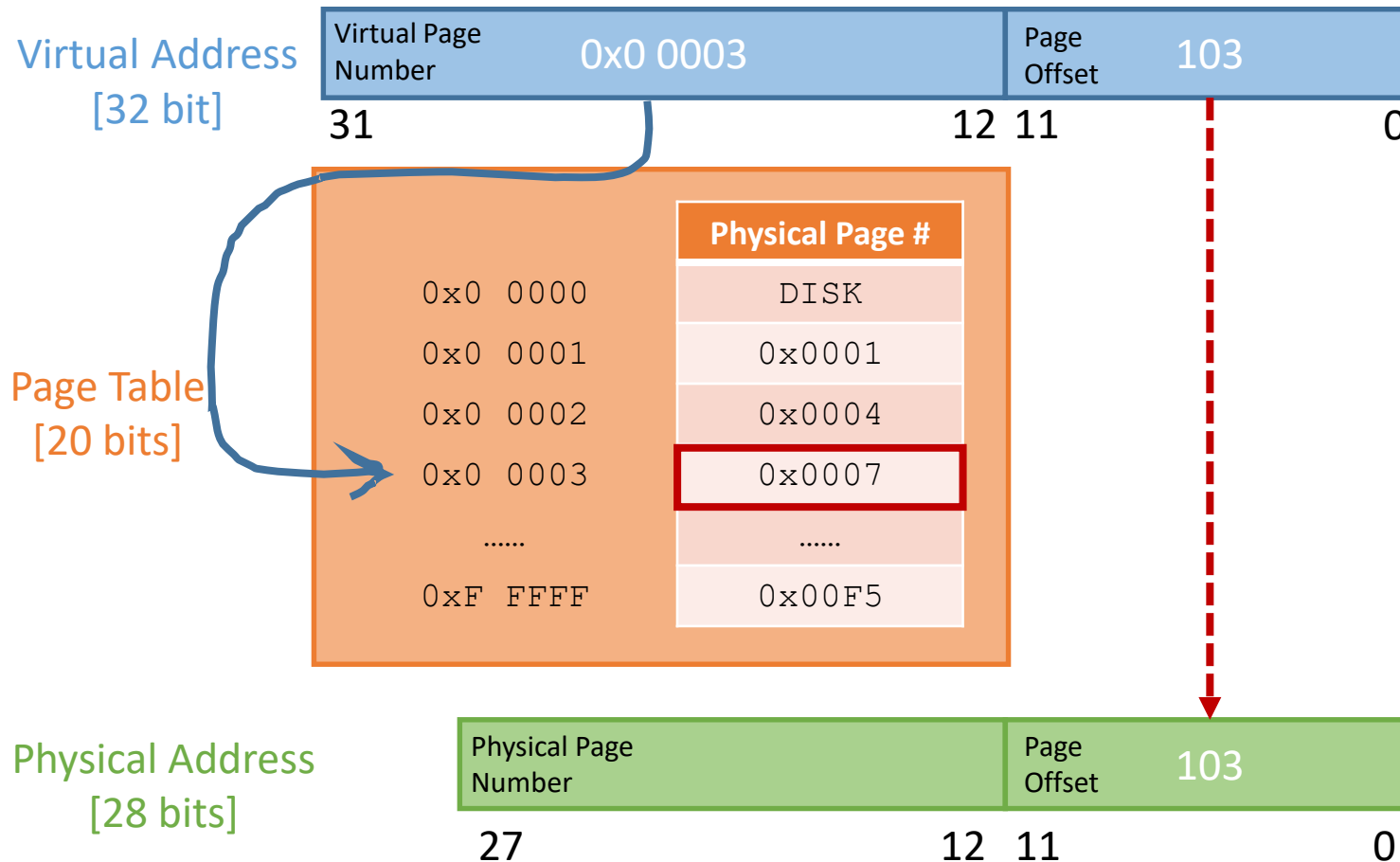
Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset



EXAMPLE:

Using the page table to the left, find the **Physical Address** associated with **Virtual Address 0x00003103**

VA: 0x00003 103

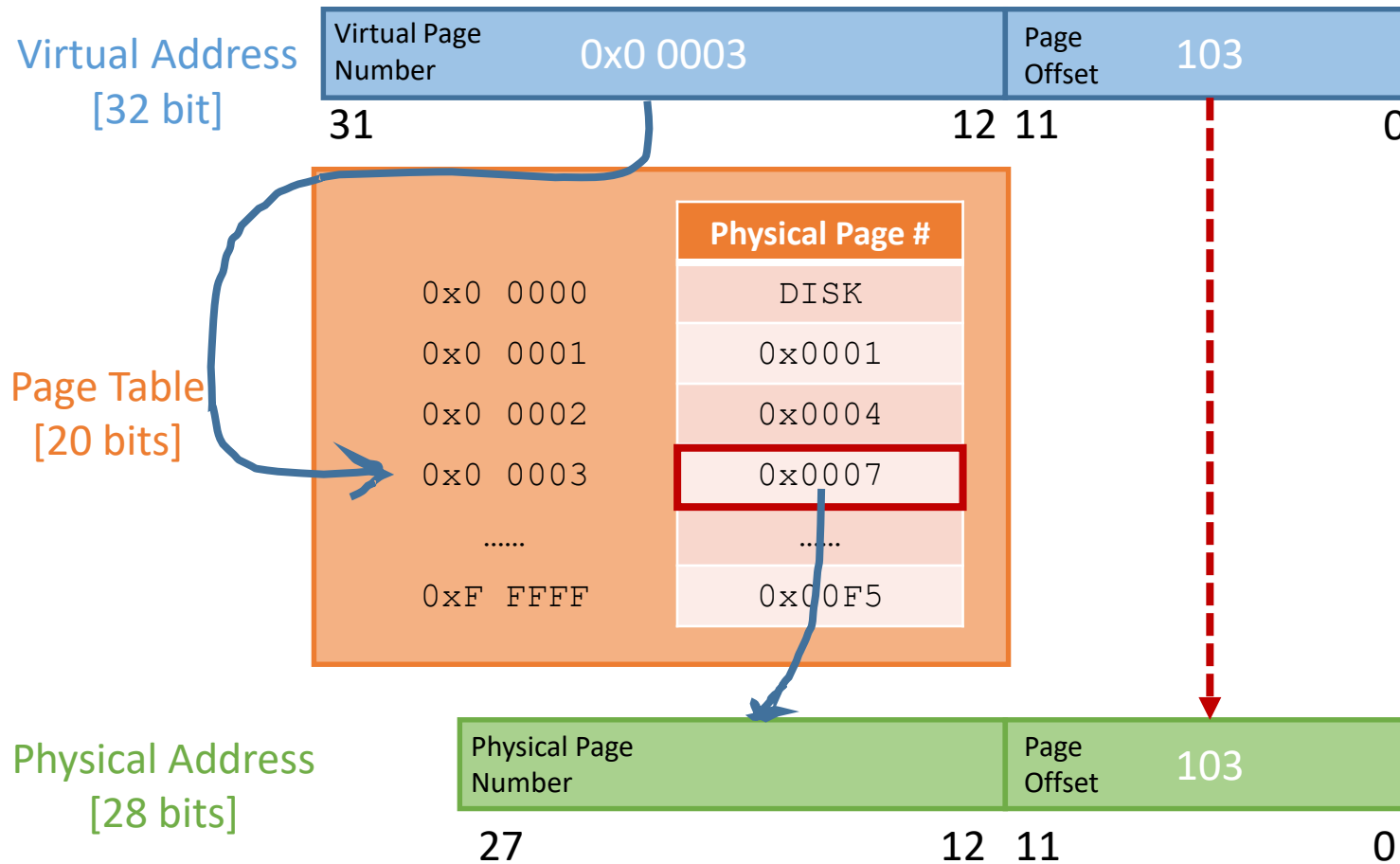
Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset



EXAMPLE:
Using the page table to the left, find the Physical Address associated with Virtual Address 0x00003103

VA: 0x00003 103

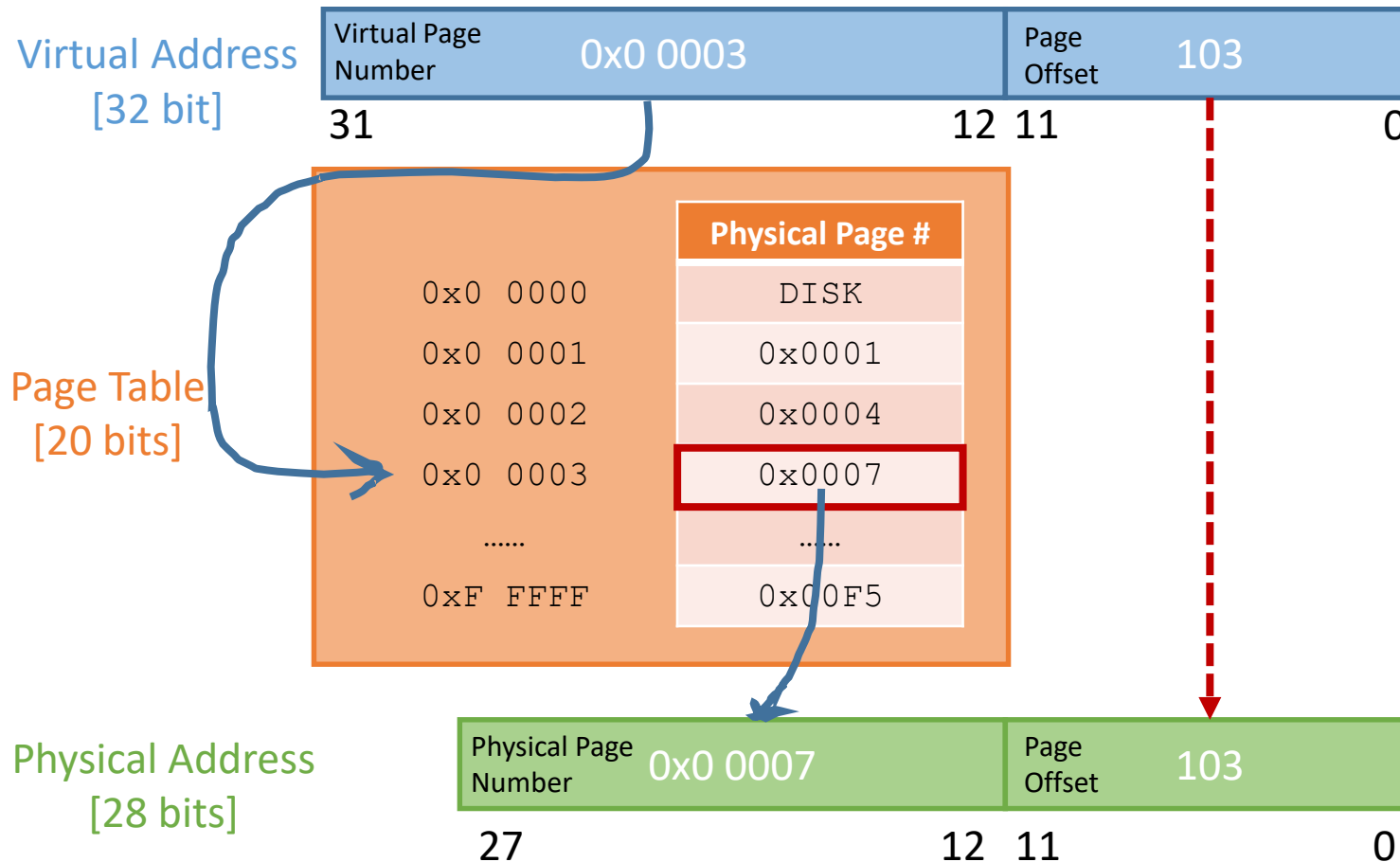
Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset



EXAMPLE:

Using the page table to the left, find the **Physical Address** associated with **Virtual Address 0x00003103**

VA: 0x00003 103

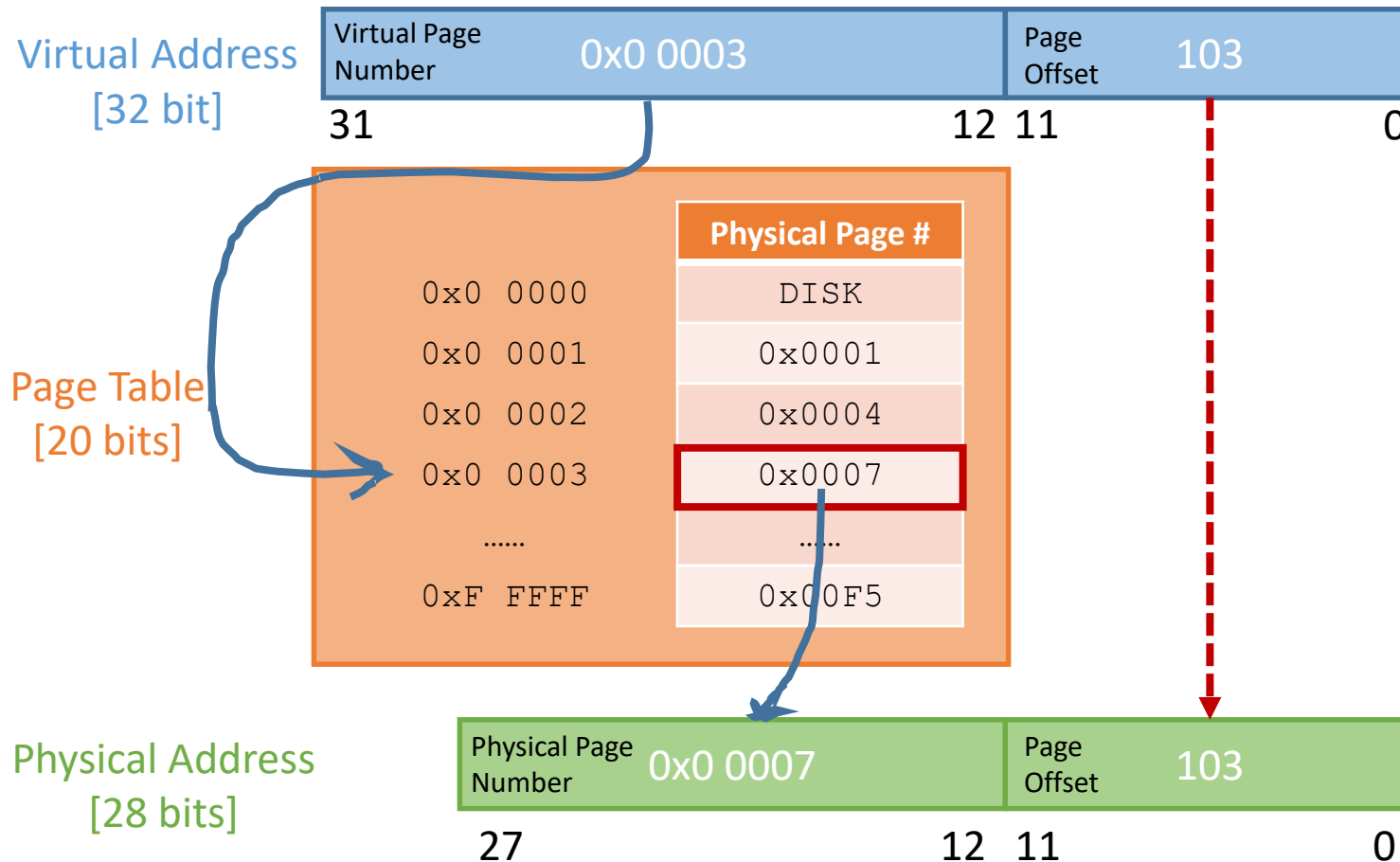
Address Translation Example

#1

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset



EXAMPLE:
Using the page table to the left, find the Physical Address associated with Virtual Address 0x00003103

VA: 0x00003 103



PA: 0x00007 103

Address Translation Example

#2

Computer Specs:
 ISA: 32-bit
 RAM: 256 MB
 Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
 32-bit Virtual Address
 28-bit Physical Address
 12-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
 [32 bit]



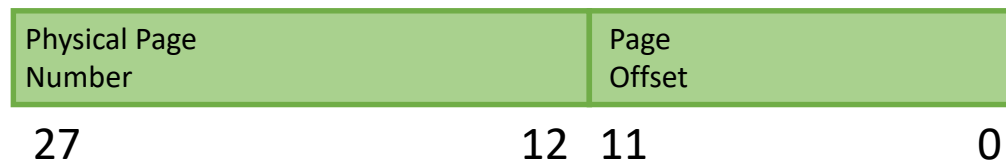
Page Table
 [20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
0x0 0001	0x0001
0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

EXAMPLE:

Using the page table to the left, find the **Physical Address** associated with **Virtual Address 0x00000504**

Physical Address
 [28 bits]



Address Translation Example

#2

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 4 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
12-bit Page Offset

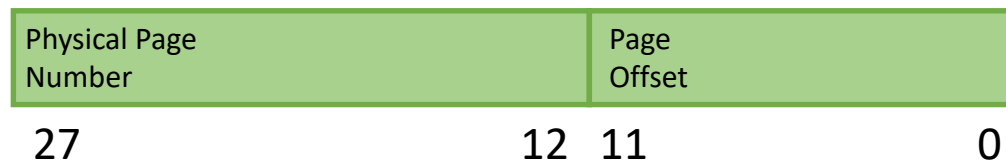
Virtual Address
[32 bit]



Page Table
[20 bits]

	Physical Page #
0x0 0000	DISK
0x0 0001	0x0001
0x0 0002	0x0004
0x0 0003	0x0007
.....
0xF FFFF	0x00F5

Physical Address
[28 bits]



EXAMPLE:

Using the page table to the left, find the **Physical Address** associated with **Virtual Address 0x00000504**

Virtual Address 0x00000 points to the disk, we don't know from the given information.

Address Translation Example

#3

Computer Specs:

ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 64 kB



In our terms:

32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
??-bit Page Offset



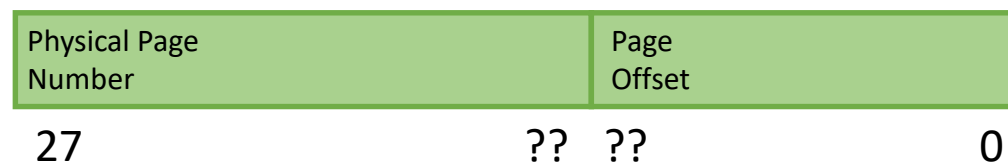
Page Table



Q: What if we use **64 kB pages** instead. How many bits do we need for the **page offset**?

- 12
- 13
- 16
- 18

Physical Address [28 bits]



Address Translation Example

#3

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 64 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
??-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
[32 bit]



Page Table



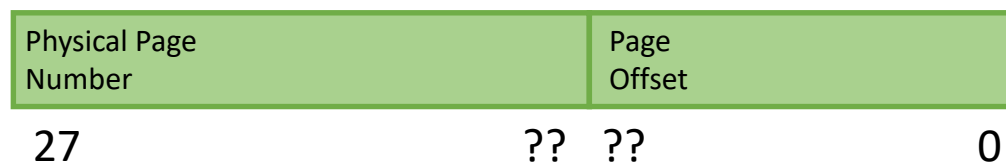
Q: What if we use **64 kB pages** instead. How many bits do we need for the **page offset**?

- 12
- 13
- 16
- 18

A: 16

We need 16 bits to index every Word in a Page. This means my *Virtual Page Number* is now *16 bits* (32-16) and my *Physical Page Number* is *12 bits* (28-16).

Physical Address
[28 bits]



Address Translation Example

#3

Computer Specs:
 ISA: 32-bit
 RAM: 256 MB
 Page Size: 64 kB



In our terms:
 32-bit Virtual Address
 28-bit Physical Address
 16-bit Page Offset

Virtual Address
 [32 bit]



Page Table

	Physical Page #
0x0000	DISK
0x0001	0x001
0x0002	0x004
0x0003	0x007
.....
0xFFFF	0x0F5

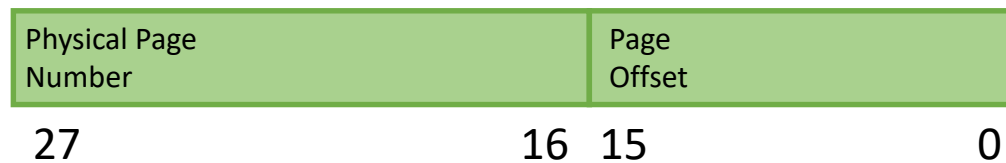
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- 18

A: 16

We need 16 bits to index every Word in a Page. This means my *Virtual Page Number* is now *16 bits (32-16)* and my *Physical Page Number* is *12 bits (28-16)*.

Physical Address
 [28 bits]



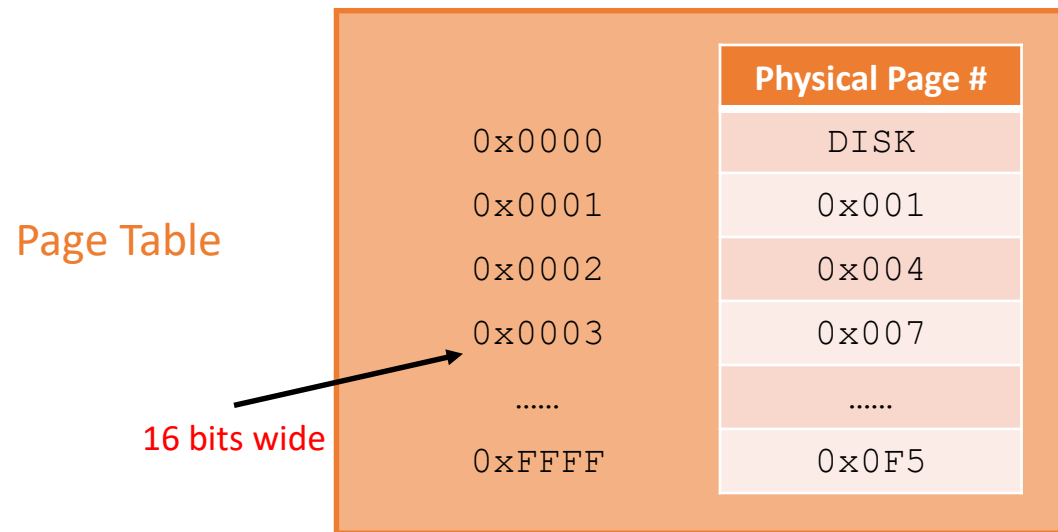
Address Translation Example

#3

Computer Specs:
ISA: 32-bit
RAM: 256 MB
Page Size: 64 kB



In our terms:
32-bit Virtual Address
28-bit Physical Address
16-bit Page Offset

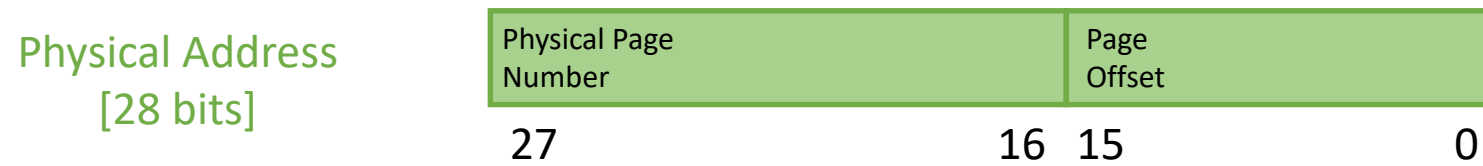


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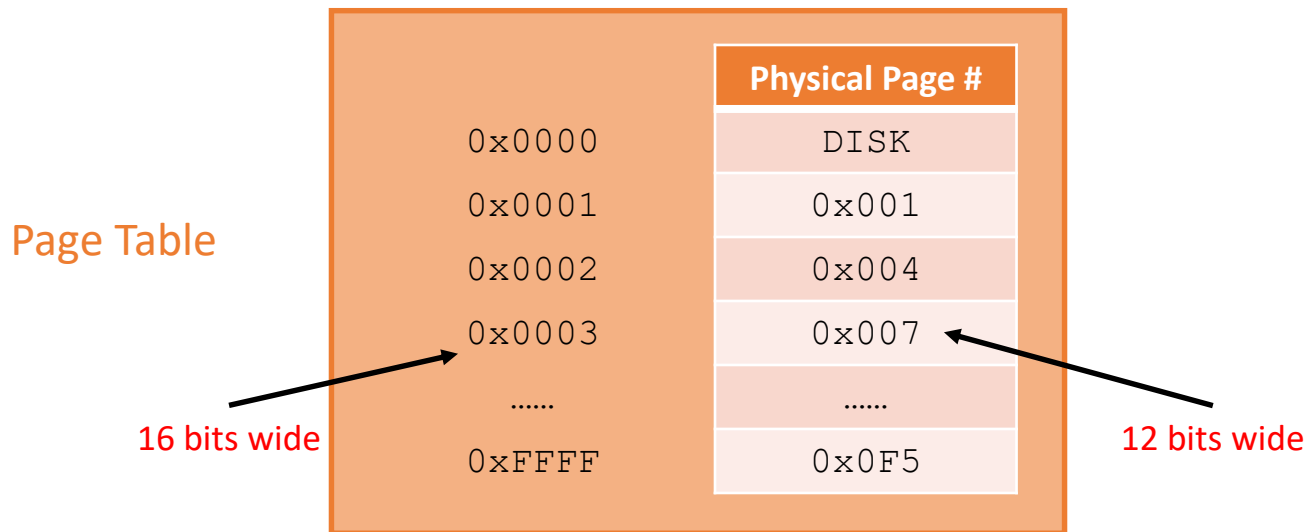
Address Translation Example

#3

Computer Specs:
 ISA: 32-bit
 RAM: 256 MB
 Page Size: 64 kB



In our terms:
 32-bit Virtual Address
 28-bit Physical Address
 16-bit Page Offset



Q: What if we use **64 kB pages** instead. How many bits do we need for the **page offset**?

- 12
- 13
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- 18

A: 16

We need 16 bits to index every Word in a Page. This means my *Virtual Page Number* is now 16 bits (32-16) and my *Physical Page Number* is 12 bits (28-16).

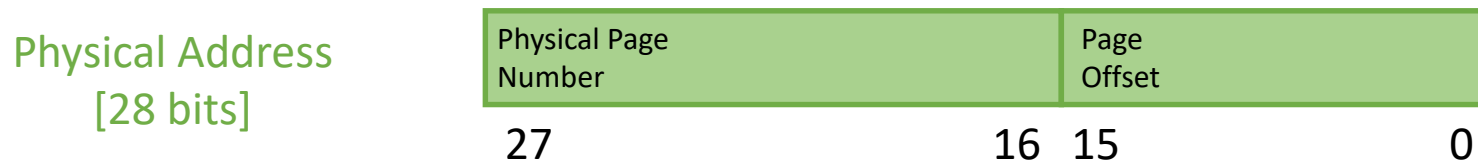


Illustration from the textbook

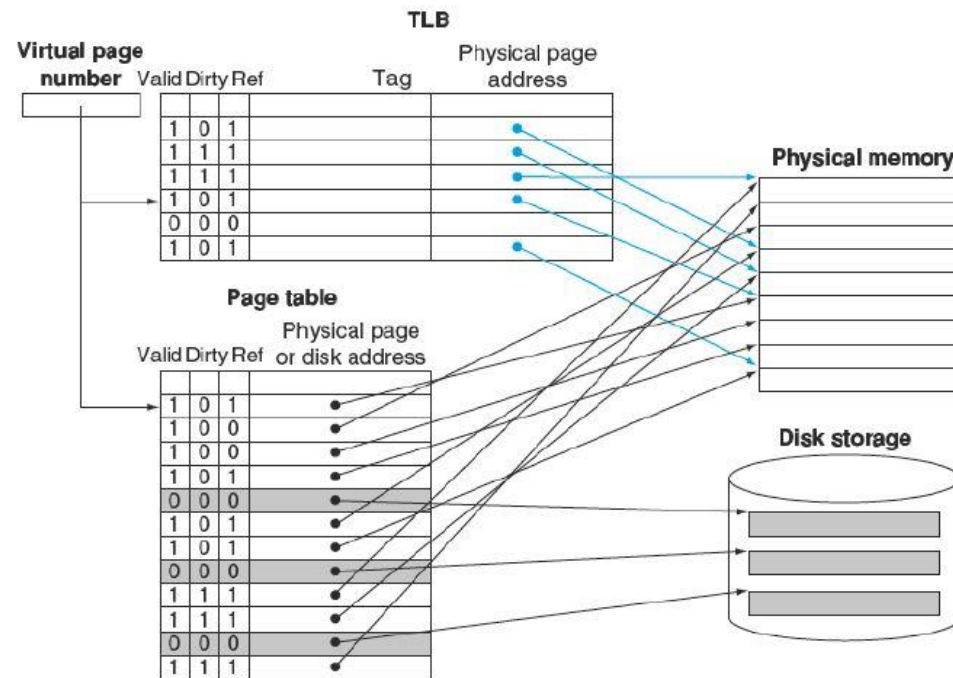
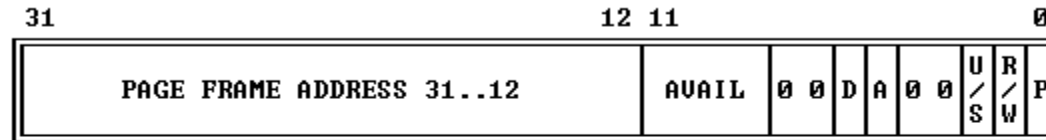


FIGURE 5.29 The TLB acts as a cache of the page table for the entries that map to physical pages only. The TLB contains a subset of the virtual-to-physical page mappings that are in the page table. The TLB mappings are shown in color. Because the TLB is a cache, it must have a tag field. If there is no matching entry in the TLB for a page, the page table must be examined. The page table either supplies a physical page number for the page (which can then be used to build a TLB entry) or indicates that the page resides on disk, in which case a page fault occurs. Since the page table has an entry for every virtual page, no tag field is needed; in other words, unlike a TLB, a page table is *not* a cache.

Page Table Entry Example Format

Figure 5-10. Format of a Page Table Entry

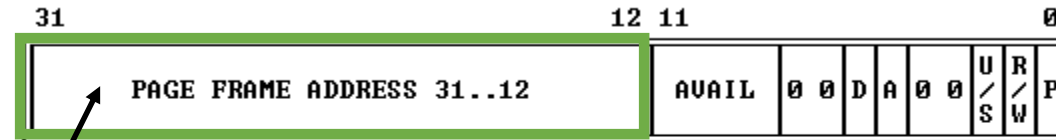


- P - PRESENT
- R/W - READ/WRITE
- U/S - USER/SUPERVISOR
- D - DIRTY
- AVAIL - AVAILABLE FOR SYSTEMS PROGRAMMER USE

NOTE: 0 INDICATES INTEL RESERVED. DO NOT DEFINE.

Page Table Entry Example Format

Figure 5-10. Format of a Page Table Entry

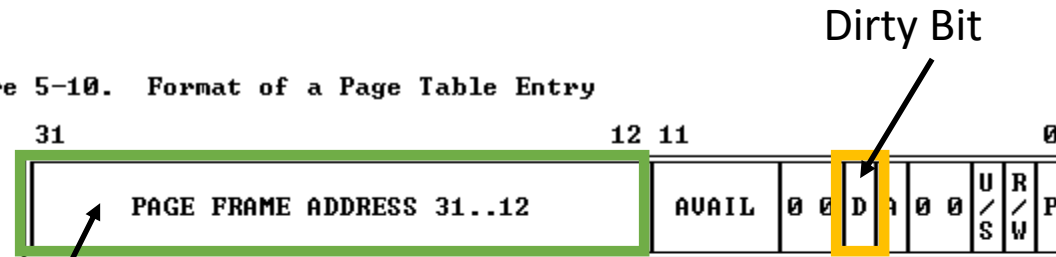


Physical Page
Frame Number

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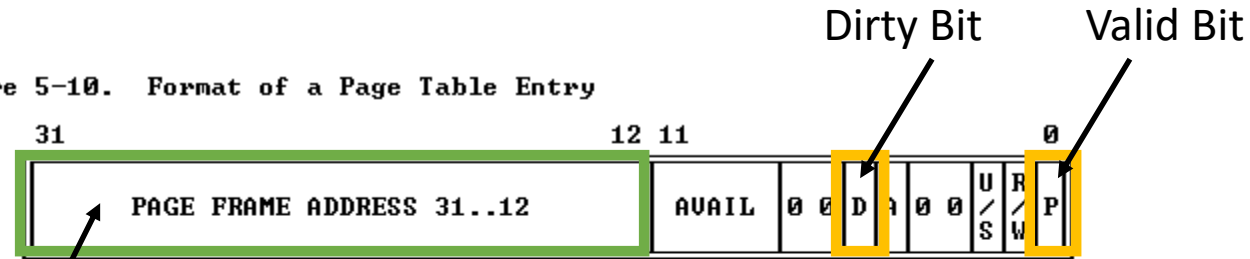
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