Lecture No 5



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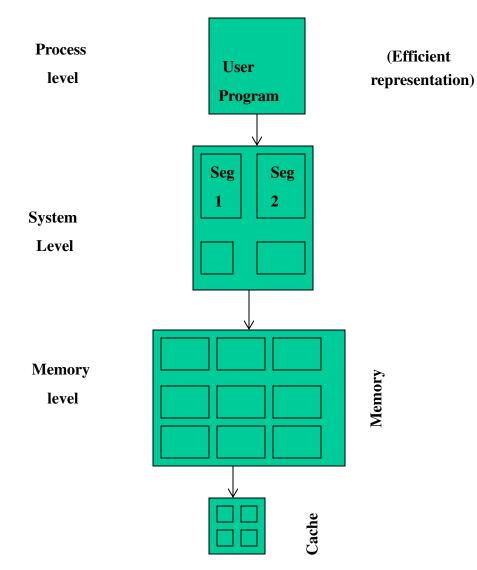
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User Write program assuming user is the only occupier of memory

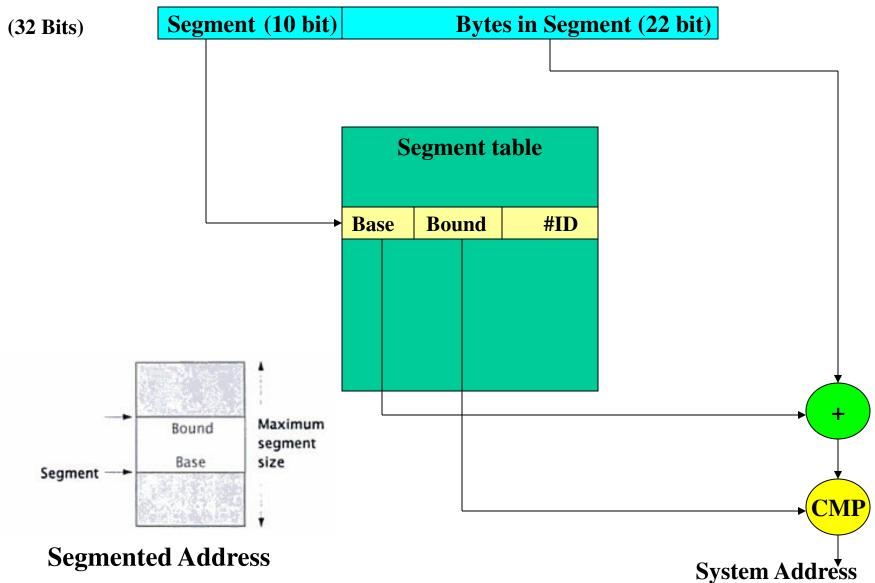
System Relocates and protects multiple user program in a common memory system

Memory system loads only those "localities" or page of the system space that are expected to be referenced shortly.

Process or User Program level Addressing

- Facility to address large number of objects.
- The basic address resolution is to the byte.
- Most processors adopt an Offset + Base (offset [R_B]) address format.
- The contents of base register Rb define the starting point of a region of user memory.
- Within this region items are addressed by the offset.

User Process Address



Memory Level

This level deals with Physical arrangement of memory regions. Based on three parameters

Memory latency,
Memory bandwidth,



- Faster levels have greater *cost per bit of storage* so they are generally smaller in size. ٠
- *Cost per bit of storage* goes on decreasing and *access times* goes on increasing as Size of • storage grows.
- Typically there are three levels in physical memory hierarchy. ٠



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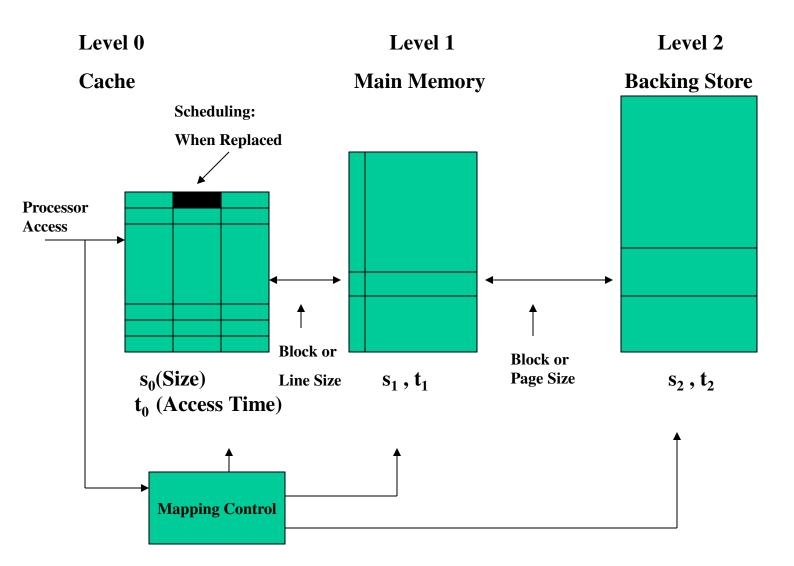
Main Memory

Cache Memory,



Disk and backup storage.

Memory Space



Paging Process :

