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## 4DS Australian Open Briefings Presentation

4DS Memory Limited (ASX:4DS) (4DS) (the Company), is pleased to attach the Investor Briefing Presentation for the Australian Open Briefing to be held this week in Sydney, Melbourne and Perth.

The event host will be 4DS Executive Chairman Mr David McAuliffe, who will be joined by 4DS Chief Technology Officer Mr Ting Yen and Strategic Advisor to the Board Mr Peter Himes, who are both visiting Australia from the USA to update guests on 4DS Memory's progress to date and plans for 2024.

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### About 4DS

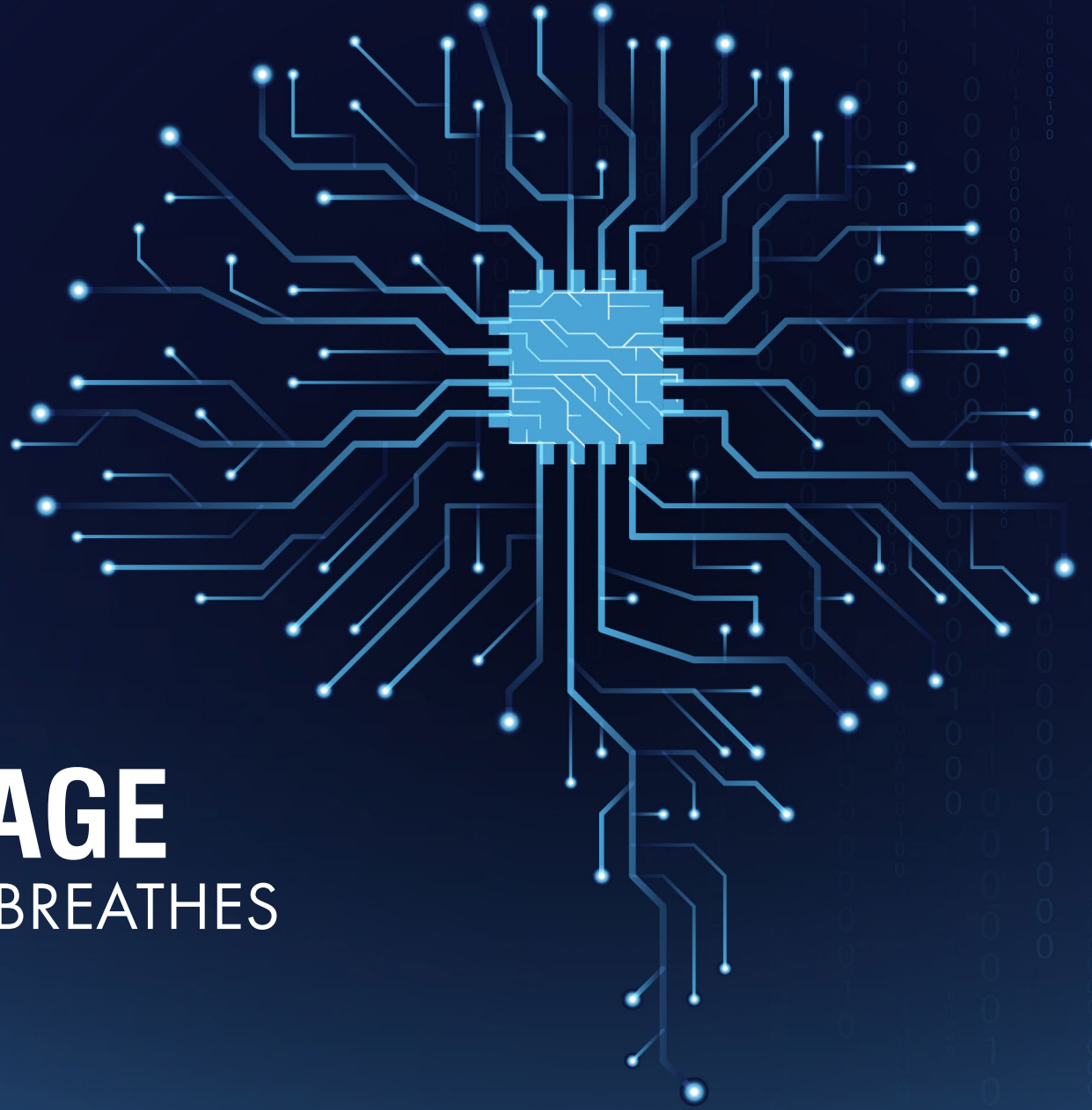
4DS Memory Limited (ASX: 4DS), with facilities located in Silicon Valley, is a semiconductor development company of persistent memory technology, pioneering Interface Switching ReRAM for next generation gigabyte storage in mobile and cloud. Established in 2007, 4DS owns a patented IP portfolio, comprising 34 USA patents granted which have been developed in-house to create high-density Storage Class Memory. 4DS has a joint development agreement with Western Digital subsidiary HGST, a global storage leader, which accelerates the evolution of 4DS' technology. 4DS also collaborates with imec, a world-leading research and innovation hub in nanoelectronics and digital technologies. The combination of imec's widely acclaimed leadership in microchip technology and profound software and information and communication technology expertise makes them unique.

For more information, please visit [www.4dsmemory.com](https://www.4dsmemory.com)

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# MEMORY FOR THE AI AGE

THE MEMORY THAT BREATHES

MARCH 2024

# Artificial Intelligence

**Nvidia Co-founder and CEO Jensen Huang** described the emergence of artificial intelligence (AI) as the beginning of a new industrial revolution, emphasising that there's an ongoing global 'awakening' concerning AI technology.<sup>1</sup>

He also believes that, over the next four to five years, a trillion dollars' worth of data center infrastructure and hardware will be built across the world.<sup>2</sup>

**TSMC founder Morris Chang** recently revealed that customers have approached the company to build up to ten new fabs for AI processors, indicating a significant increase in demand for processors used in AI applications.<sup>3</sup>

**Apple CEO Tim Cook**, at the 2024 annual shareholder meeting, said his company is "investing significantly" in artificial intelligence.<sup>4</sup>

## Sources

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# 4DS: The Right Memory for the Right Market at the Right Time

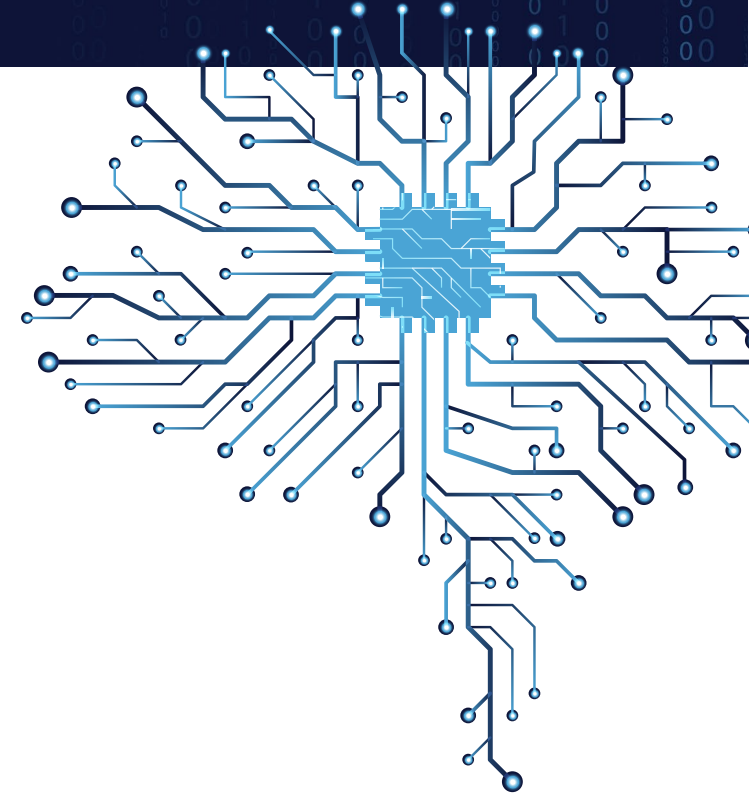
The New Age of AI Processing is built on decades of research into neuromorphic processing and Neural Net modeling

These models require huge amounts of data and are the result of billions of weighted matrix calculations

There is an explosion of new processor architectures in development to overcome the speed, energy and memory bottleneck challenges

The introduction of a new non-volatile memory with high speed and high density 'would initiate a revolution in computer architecture'\*

4DS is that memory, at the right time, for the most important market in the world



\*Source: Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

# Generative AI

## Transforming the Compute Industry

AI refers to a long history of machine learning development that has evolved over the past 40 years in the industry

Machine learning is in everything from your home thermostat to your car's antilock braking to your Alexa connected device

Generative AI refers to the subset of artificial intelligence techniques that enable machines to generate new content, imitate human creativity, and produce realistic outputs

AI models are built on different types of neural nets which use very large sets of data to create predictive models for different tasks (text generation, image recognition or generation, code writing)

# The 4DS Advantages

## Persistent Memory at DRAM Speeds

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4.7ns write for 1 hour read – no refresh needed

Single Shot programming

## Tunable Retention from Seconds to Days

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Highest energy optimization for warm data applications

Can trade off long retention for reduced endurance

## Low Energy per Bit

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For Warm Data and Persistent Memory Applications

## Scalable to Any Process Node

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Simple fab processing, compatible with standard tools

Low-cost BEOL Integration, compatible to any advanced CMOS logic process

## Analog Programmability

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By time or voltage modulation



# An Overview of Memory Terminology

## SRAM

Volatile, provides the fastest read time, used for immediate access by CPU. But also large in size and power (6 transistors needed per cell)

## DRAM

Volatile, provides large data storage capabilities with fast read and write times. Architected for large data transfer at high speeds. Needs constant refresh to retain data

## 4DS ReRAM

Persistent, provides hours of retention with very fast write time. Operates at the same speeds as DRAM

## NAND

Non-volatile, provides lowest cost per byte of storage. Architected for very large data transfer and storage. Slow write compared to DRAM

## MRAM, PCRAM, Filamentary ReRAM

Non-volatile, provides high density alternatives to Flash for advanced node processes. Speed and energy vary but generally slower than DRAM

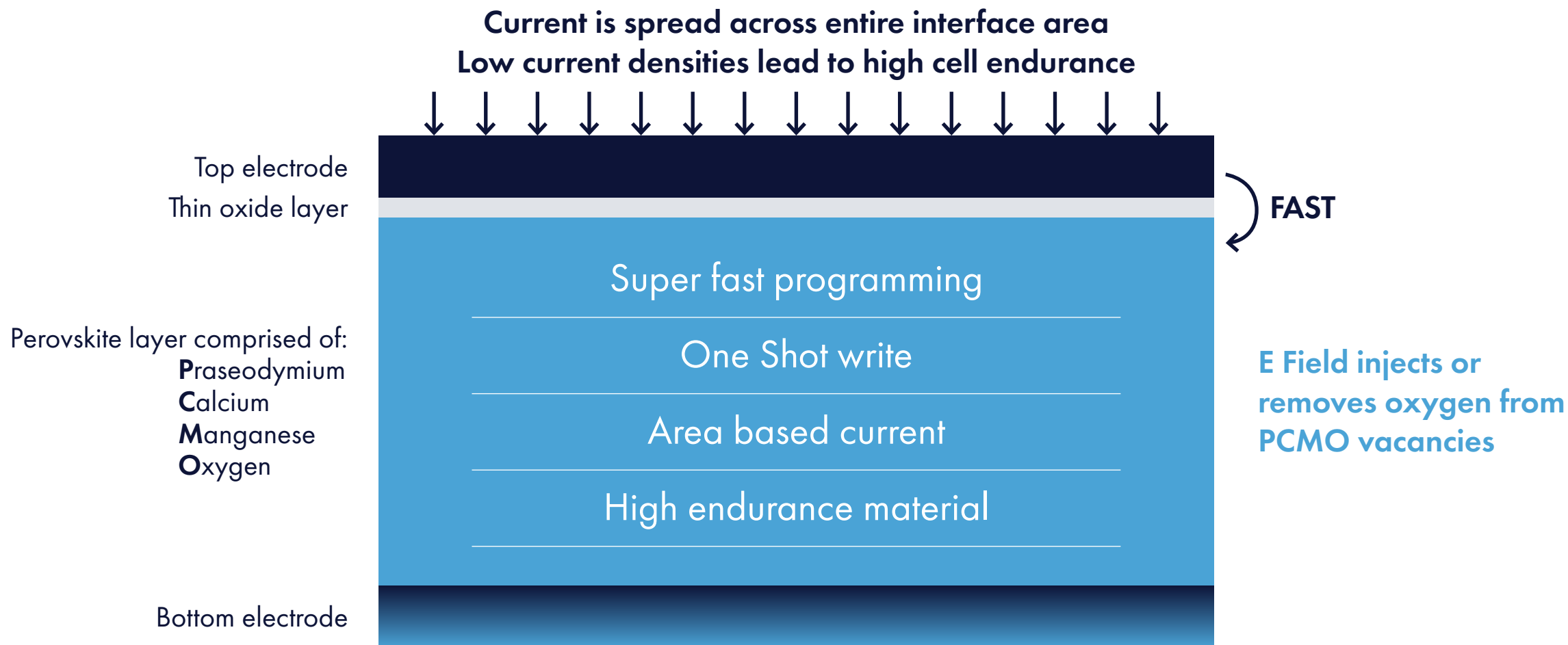
## Warm vs Hot Data

Different classes of data needed on demand by the CPU or GPU

## CXL or Compute Express Link

De facto communications protocol to manage Storage Class Memory

# What is PCMO and why is it unique?





# What is PCMO and why is it unique? continued

High  $O^-$  affinity by top electrode creates an oxygen depletion layer at the surface junction (oxygen vacancies in the PCMO lattice)

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Pulse of electric field pushes oxygen back into PCMO, filling vacancies (very fast response: EPIR)

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When the oxygen is present the cell conducts and is said to be SET

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This is a reversible process, creating the on/off resistance states of the memory cell

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Total current is a function of this oxygen distribution across the oxygen vacancies as determined by the one-shot programming

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# ReRAM: Two Different Technologies, Two Different Memory Solutions

## 4DS PCMO

Area based, lower current density programming,  
high endurance

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Up to  $10^9$  Endurance

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Analog characteristics

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Persistent – tunable retention from seconds to days

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Long retention and short retention can be integrated on  
same chip

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Extremely fast EPIR one-shot response to programming  
signal – 4.7ns write, well within DRAM window

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Ideal for in-memory compute or Warm Data storage

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## OTHERS – Filamentary

Filament based, high current density, low endurance for  
reliable cell

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Endurance can be as low as  $10^4$

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Primarily designed for digital use

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Non-Volatile – but requires strong error correction or  
high energy to create multiple filaments

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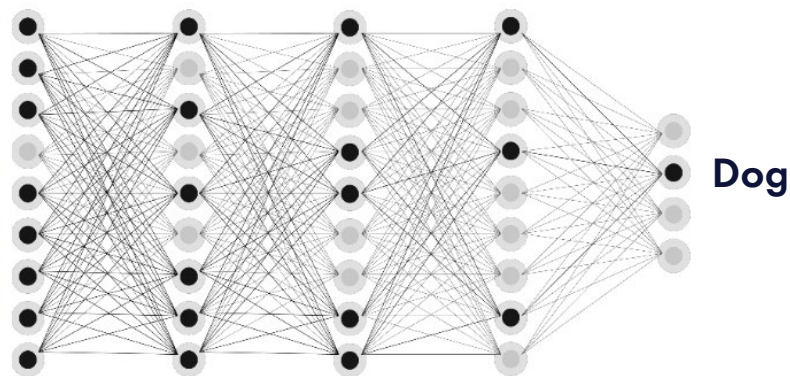
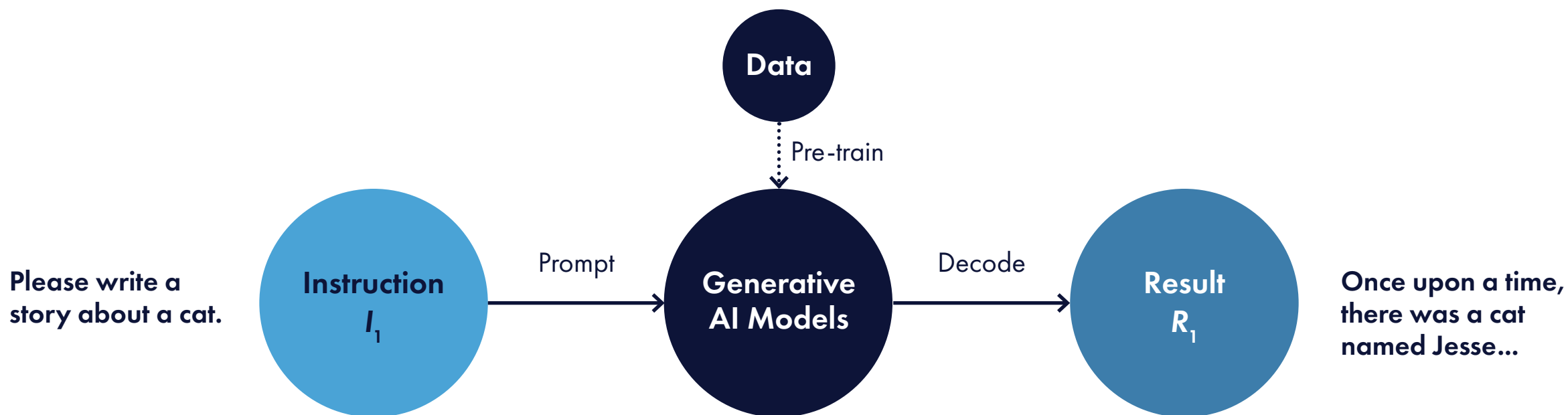
Iterative programming needed for reliable cell

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Used as embedded NOR replacement or CXL-based  
storage memory

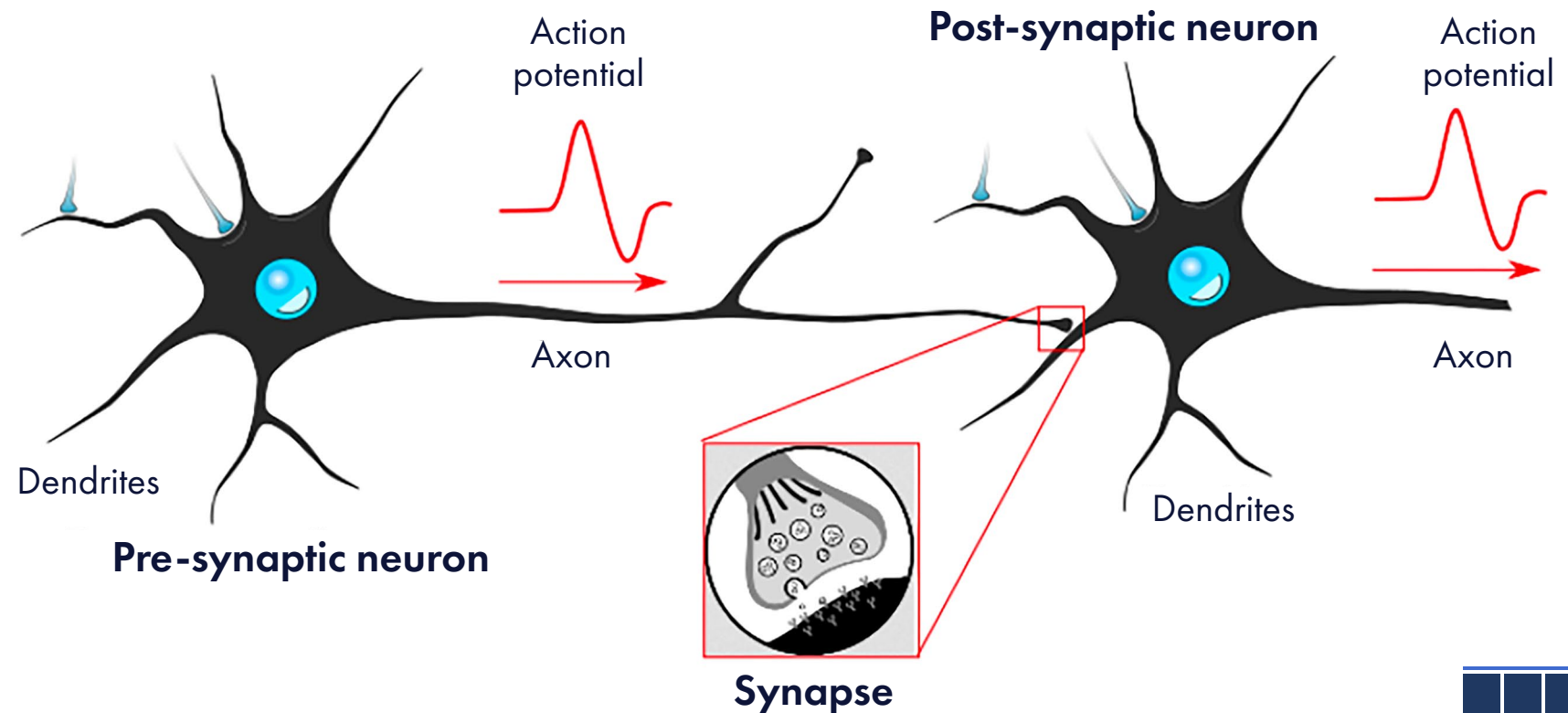
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# AI is Driven by Deep Neural Nets



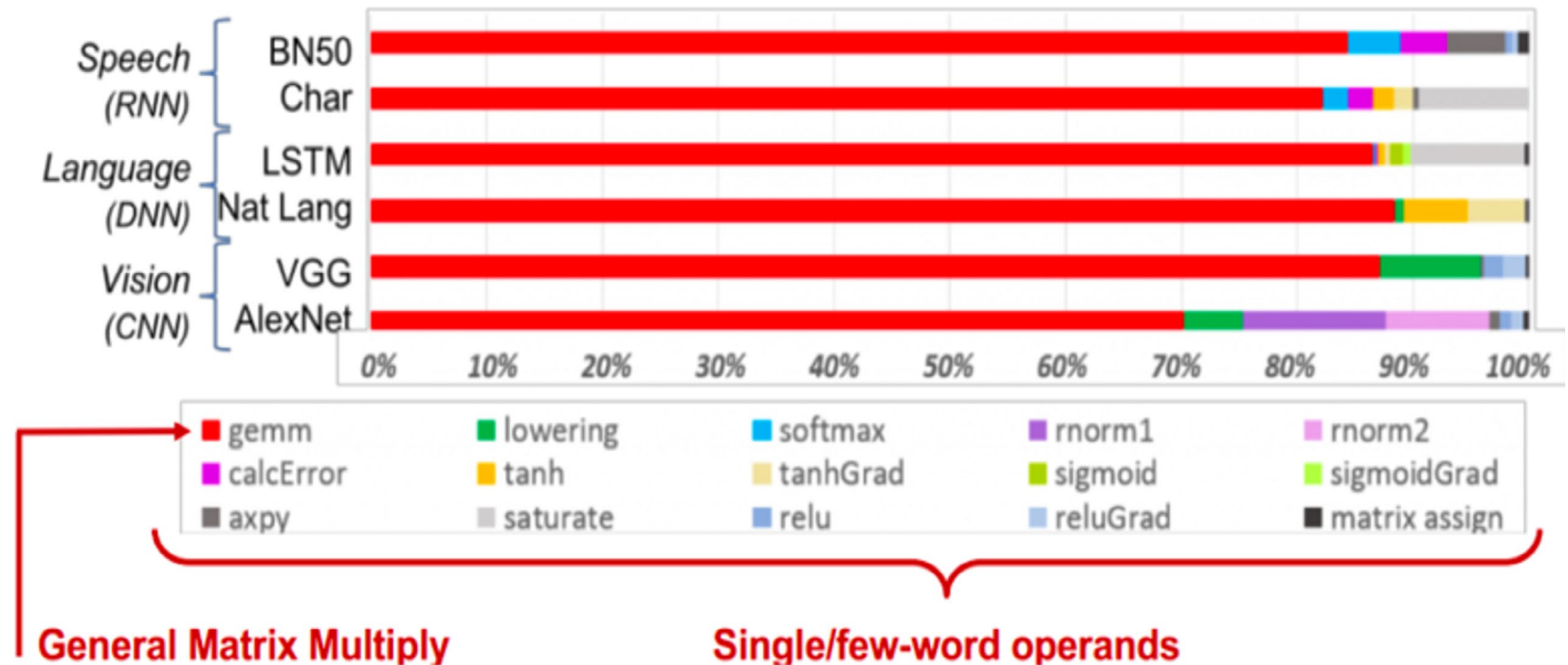
# Neural Nets are an approach to modeling how the brain builds recognition and recall

They are a **Digital** approximation of the **Analog** process that goes on in the brain



# The energy cost of AI: 70-80% of the AI operations are due to the weighted calculations

Moving the data in and out of the GPU takes 5x the energy of the operation itself, and bottlenecks the speed of the GPU

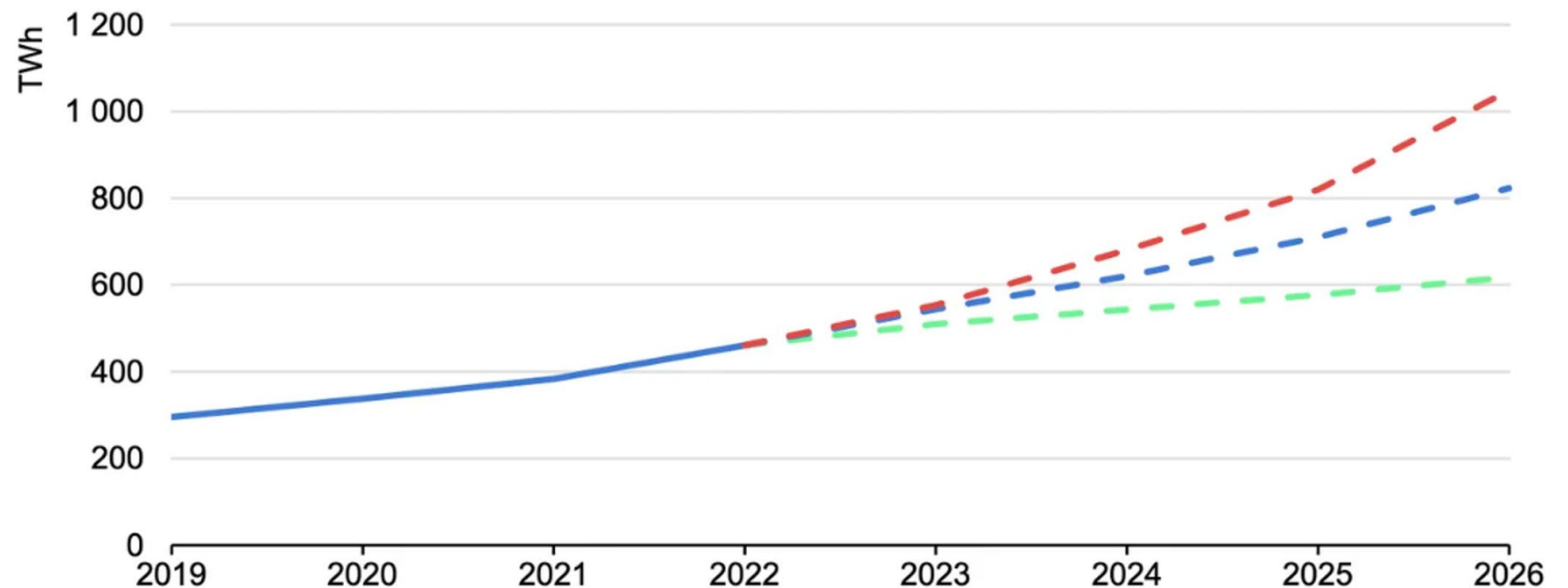


# The energy cost of AI: 70-80% of the AI operations are due to the weighted calculations continued

The global demand for electricity may see a huge surge because of AI processing

- Low case
- Base case
- High case

Global electricity demand from data centres, AI, and cryptocurrencies, 2019-2026

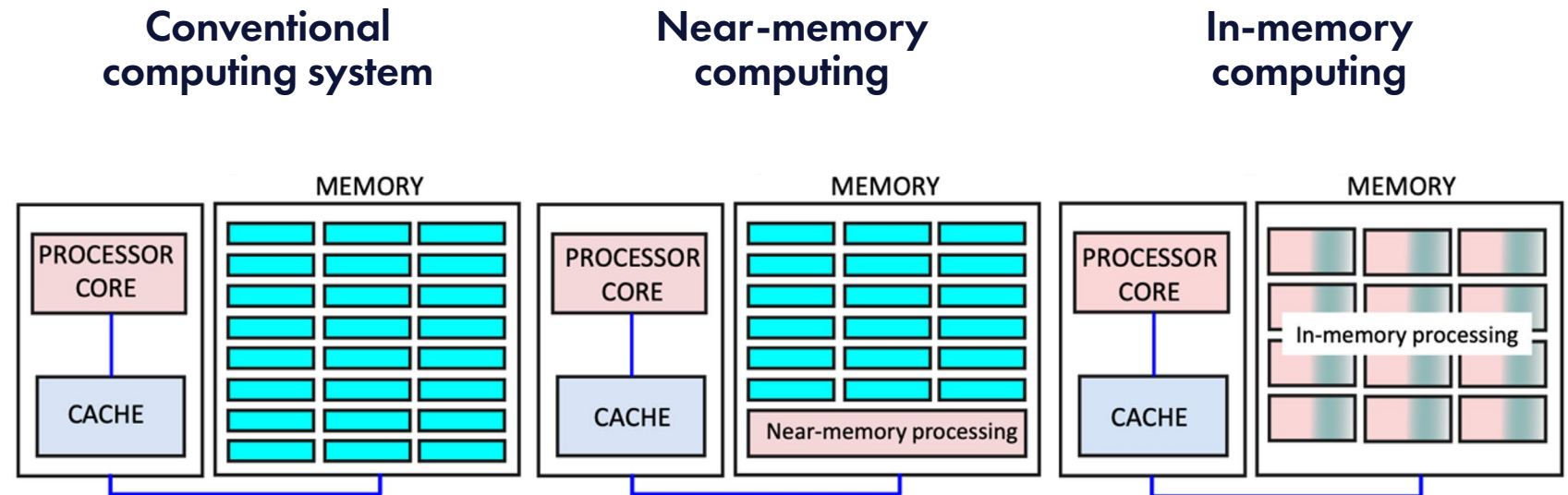


**Notes:** Includes traditional data centres, dedicated AI data centres, and cryptocurrency consumption; excludes demand from data transmission networks. The base case scenario has been used in the overall forecast in this report. Low and high case scenarios reflect the uncertainties in the pace of deployment and efficiency gains amid future technological developments.

**Sources:** Joule (2023). de Vries. The growing energy footprint of AI: CCRI indices (carbon-ratings.com); The Guardian, Use of AI to reduce data centre energy use; Motors in data centres; The Royal Society, The future of computing beyond Moore's Law; Ireland Central Statistics Office, Data Centres electricity consumption 2022; and Danish Energy Agency, Denmark's energy and climate outlook 2018.

# A Major Driver for new AI architectures: Moving Memory Close to Central Processing Unit (CPU)

In-Memory Computing  
is the defining feature  
of all emerging  
AI engines

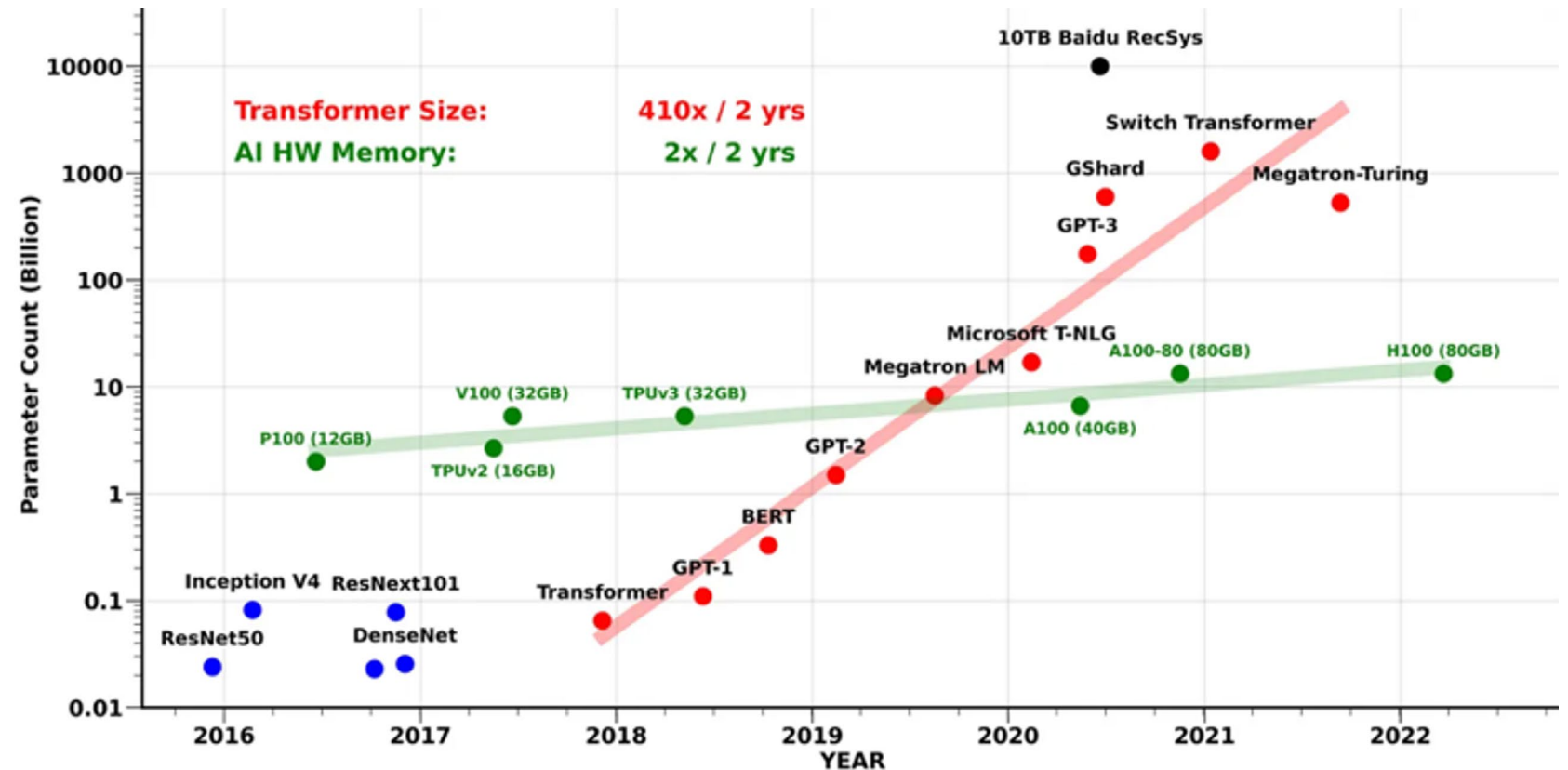




# SRAM has been the approach for In-Memory Compute, but Running out of Steam

Nvidia's A100 processor has only 40MB of on-chip memory, an order of magnitude lower than what is required

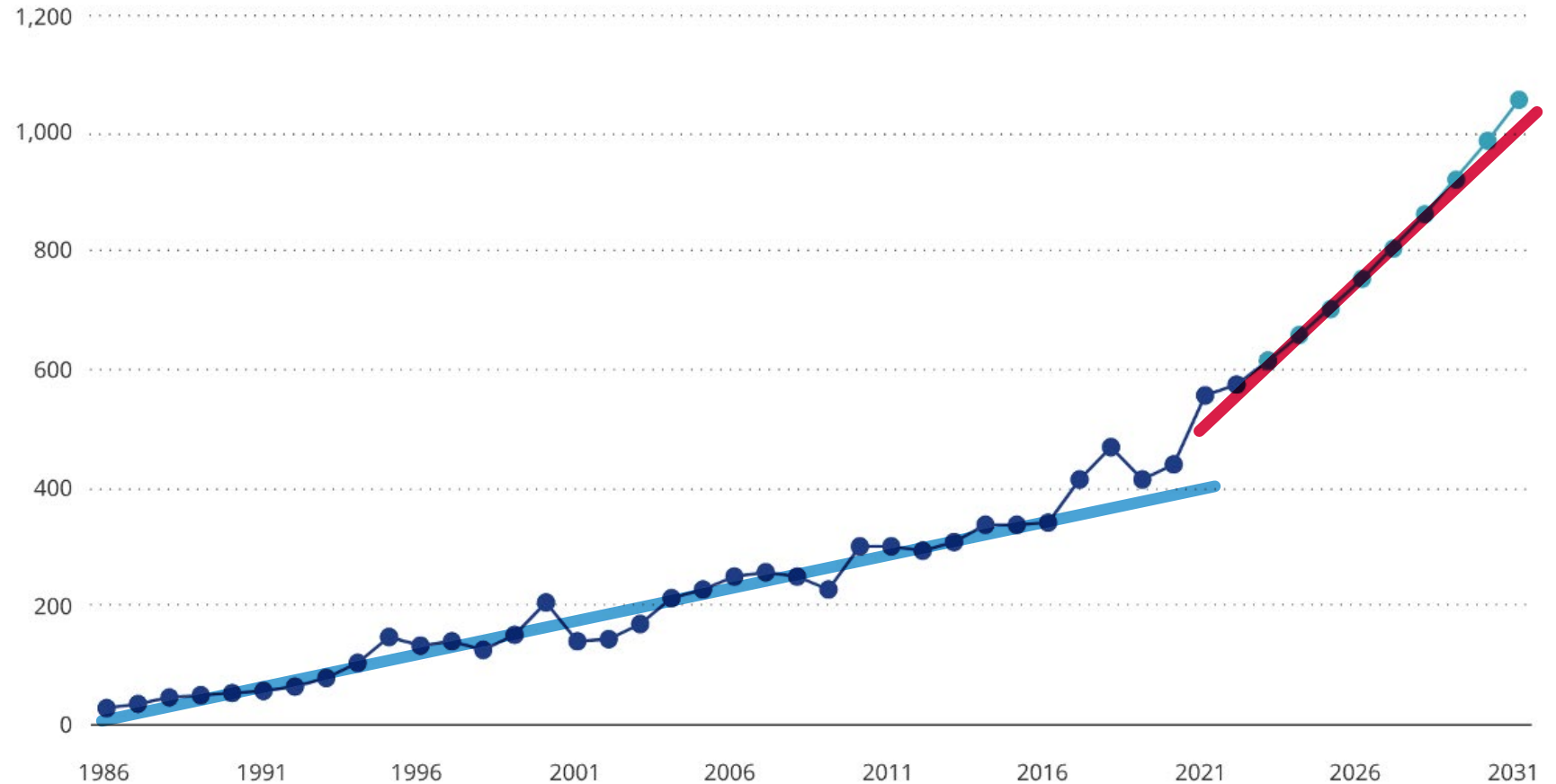
AI and Memory Wall



# Which is driving a golden age of emerging processor architectures and Integrated Circuit (IC) growth

## Global Semiconductor Market Growth and Forecast

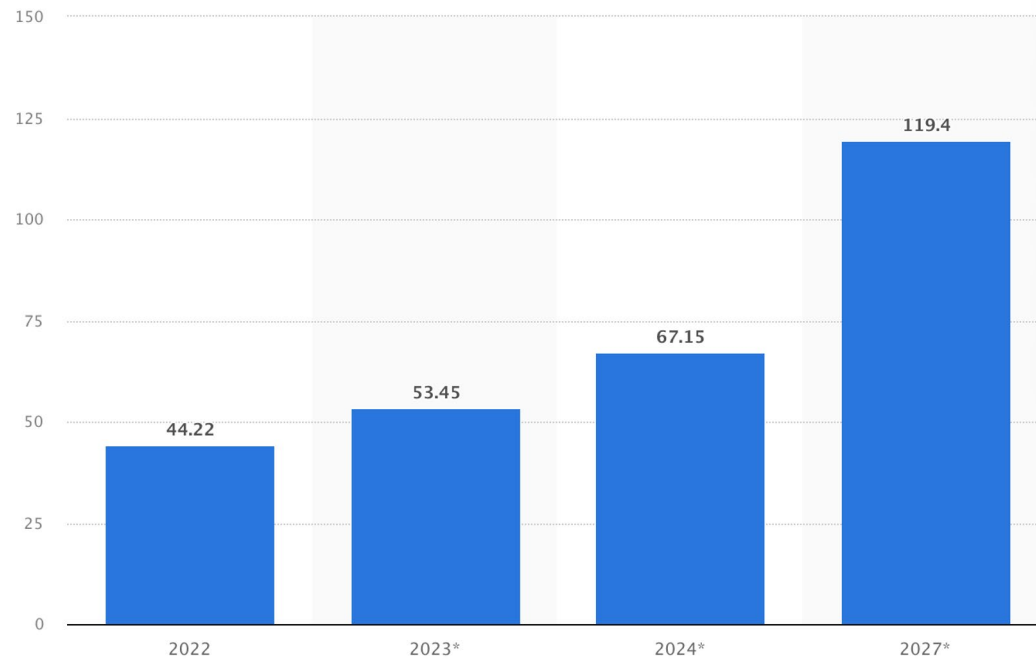
- Global Semiconductor Market Size (USD Bn)
- Forecast



**Source: World Semiconductor Trade Statistics and Mckinsey's projected yearly growth.** Past performance is no guarantee of future results. Not intended as a recommendation to buy or sell any securities mentioned herein, or any call to action. For illustrative purposes only. Actual future semiconductor market growth is unknown.

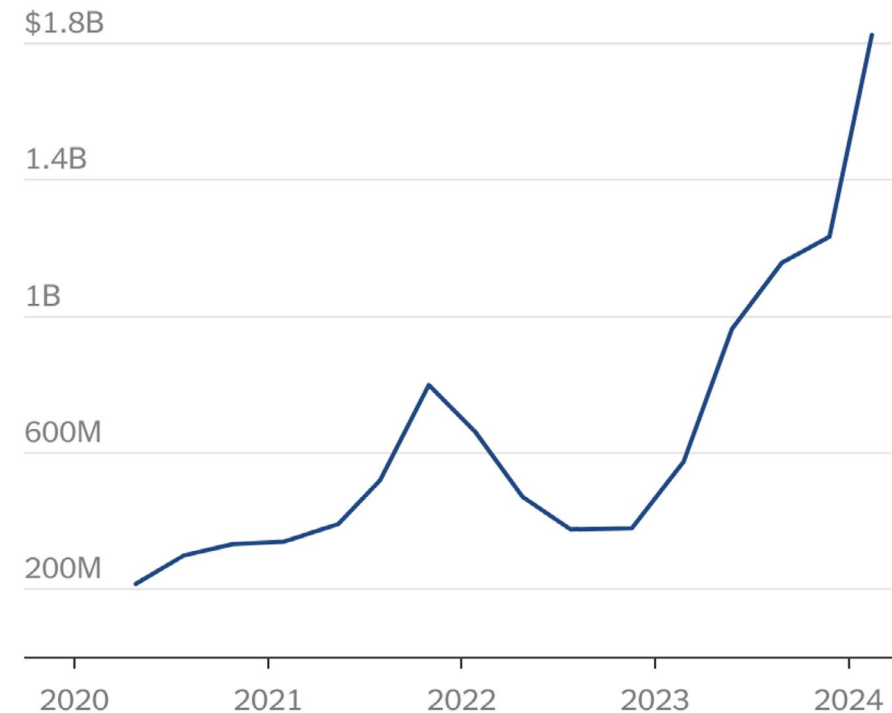
# Which is driving a golden age of emerging processor architectures and IC growth continued

Artificial intelligence (AI) chip market revenue from 2022 to 2027



Source: © Statista, 2024

Nvidia market capitalisation



Source: S&P Capital IQ. By The New York Times

# A need for a New Memory Solution Exists

“Difficult challenges gating development of beyond-CMOS devices include those related to memory technologies, information processing or logic devices, and heterogeneous integration of multi-functional components, a.k.a. More-than-Moore (MtM) or functional diversification.

One challenge is the need of a new memory technology that combines the best features of current memories in a fabrication technology compatible with CMOS process flow and that can be scaled beyond the present limits of SRAM and FLASH. This would provide a memory device fabrication technology required for both stand-alone and embedded memory applications. The ability of a chip to execute programs is limited by interaction between the processor and the memory, and scaling does not automatically solve this problem. The current evolutionary solution is to increase cache memory, thereby increasing the floor space that SRAM occupies on a chip. However, this trend eventually leads to a decrease of the net information throughput.

Volatility of semiconductor memory requires external long-term storage media that tend to be slow to access (e.g., magnetic hard drives, optical CD, etc.). **Therefore, development of electrically accessible non-volatile memory with high speed and high density would initiate a revolution in computer architecture. This development would provide a significant increase in information throughput beyond the traditional benefits of scaling.**”

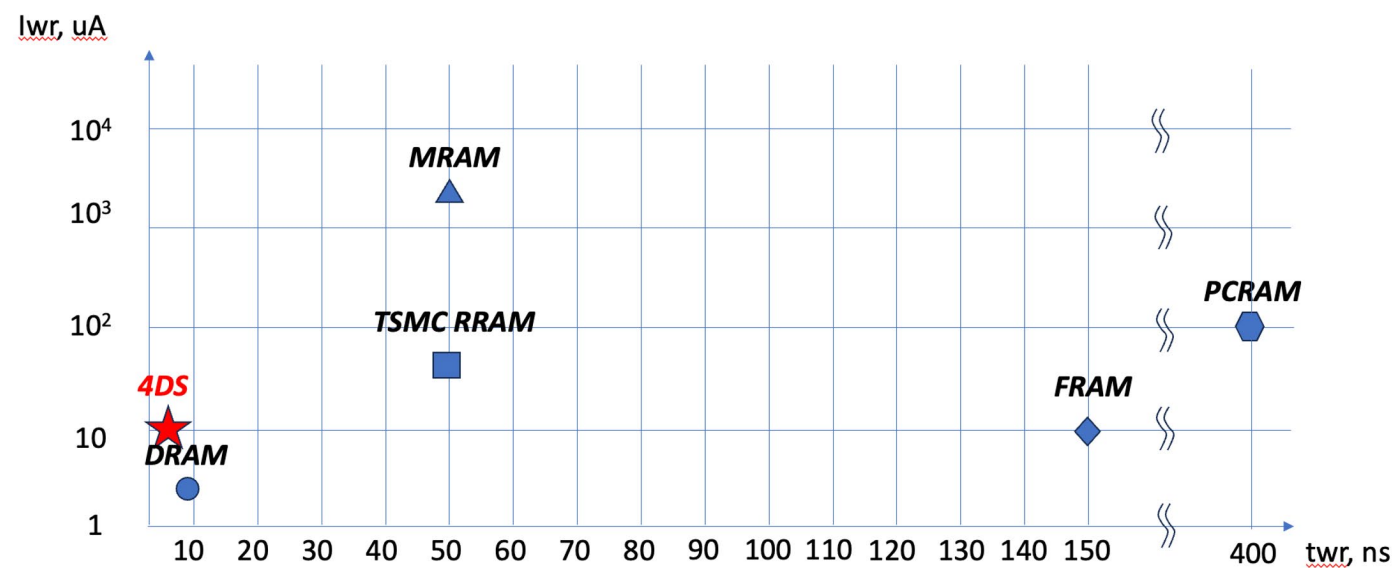
# The Speed Advantages of 4DS Memory

4DS has demonstrated reliable, robust ReRAM programming with a single 4.7ns write pulse

This improves on our previously reported 9.5ns

The sub 5 nanosecond speeds are due to Electric Pulse Induced Resistance switching, which enables single shot programming in the 4DS cell

This switching is faster than the DRAM write window of 30ns and directly translates to lower energy per bit writing for the 4DS cell



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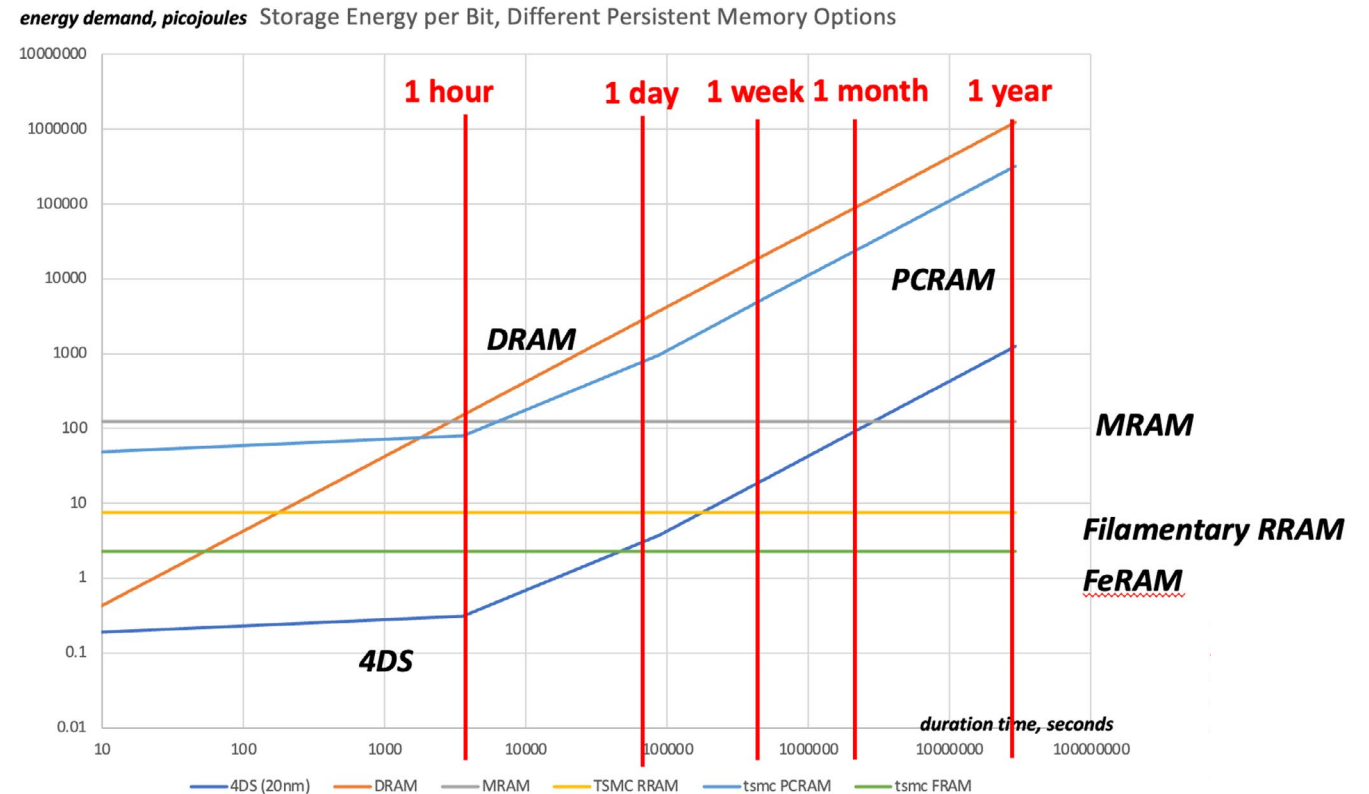
# Persistence + Speed = Energy Savings

For permanent offline storage,  
traditional NVM offers the best solution

For long persistence data 4DS offers  
a low energy alternative

DRAM needs constant refresh

4DS **needs no refresh** within its  
persistence window, and then can be  
'refreshed' within the DRAM window  
(*'hidden refresh'*)



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**Reference for this data:** K, Prall, "Benchmarking and Metrics for Emerging Memory," 2017 IEEE International Memory Workshop (IMW), Monterey, CA, USA, 2017



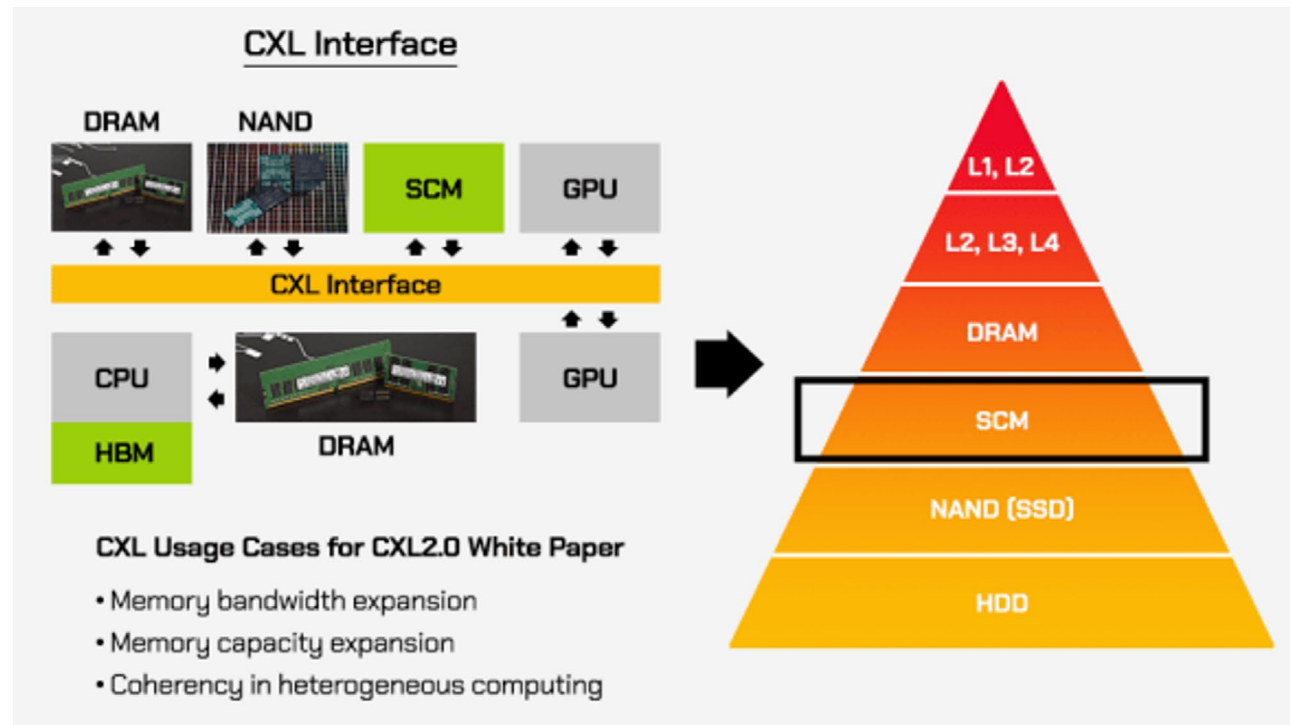
# Why Important? Warm Data Applications

Advanced computing always needs DRAM for constant read and write (Hot Data), but emerging Inference Engines for AI need data at DRAM speeds that doesn't change over time (Warm Data)

Storage Class Memory – data storage that is peripheral to the main processing data but not in bulk storage – has consolidated behind CXL or Compute Express Link

This supports many classes of memory behind a standardized communications protocol

CXL is considered 'Slow' data when compared to DRAM





# Why Important? Analog Compute in Memory

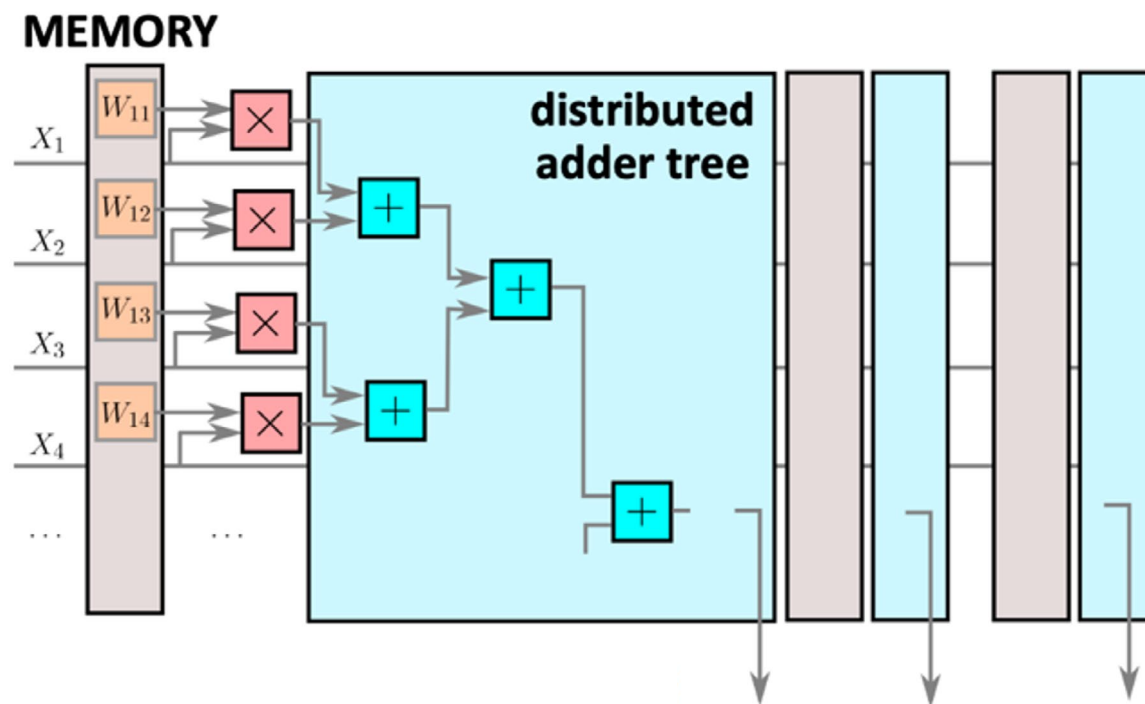
Using SRAM is the common way of tackling the bandwidth problem in AI processing

SRAM is the fastest memory for such uses

However the number of weights is limited by SRAM cell size (6T) and # bits per weight needed

A scalable analog alternative could increase total number of weights and simplify the vector operations

Conversion back to the digital domain will still be needed



Source: Chih et al., ISSCC (2021)

4DS welcomes Advanced AI processor companies to explore these ideas with us

# Corporate Summary

## ASX Symbol: 4DS

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| Shares on Issue                   | 1,762,834,918 |
| Options on Issue                  | 47,207,184    |
| Cash on hand                      | ~ \$10M       |
| Share price (1 March 2024)        | 0.110         |
| Market Cap (at 0.110 share price) | \$193M        |

## Top 5 shareholders own 10.39% (at 1 March 2024)

|                            |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Citicorp Nominees          | 3.36% |
| James Dorrian              | 2.57% |
| KZ 3 Pty Ltd               | 1.62% |
| Mr John Clement Cowie Love | 1.52% |
| Mr Sam Huu Hai Nguyen      | 1.32% |

## 4DS Memory 12 month share price graph



# Board and Management



## David McAuliffe

Executive Chairman

Experienced company director

Involved in numerous capital raisings and in-licensing of technologies

Founder of several companies in Australia, France and the UK, many of which are now ASX listed. Non-Executive Chairman of Invex Therapeutics Ltd



## Dr Guido Arnout

Non-Executive Director

30+ years in commercialising electronics technology

Successes include Power-Escape, CoWare, CrossCheck Technology and Silver-Liso



## Howard Digby

Non-Executive Director

Former senior roles at IBM, Adobe, Gartner and the Economist Group

Director of Cirralto Ltd, Elsie Ltd and Singular Health Ltd

Advisor to a number of technology companies



## Ting Yen

Chief Technical Officer

30 years experience in commercialising memory technologies

Various roles at Integrated Memory, Netlogic, Integrated Device, Cypress, Paradigm and Philips Research



## Peter Himes

Strategic Advisor to the Board

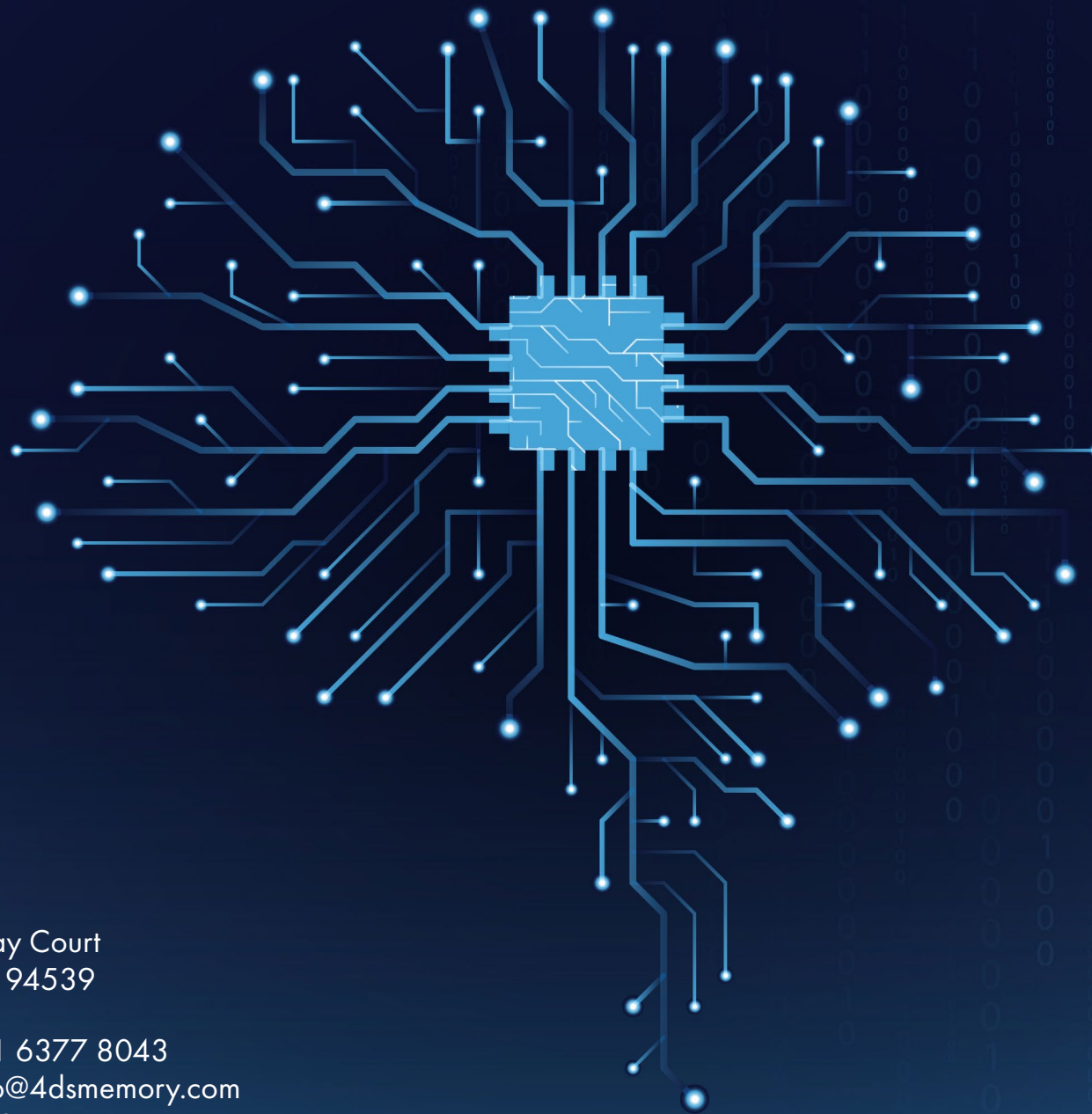
Experienced senior executive in high grown technology firms

Strong focus on innovation systems and strategic alliances

# 4DS: THE RIGHT MEMORY FOR THE RIGHT MARKET AT THE RIGHT TIME



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