Flash Memory: The New Technology Driver

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Technology in the 1990's & 2000's



it **was** all about the speeds...





it's **now** all about the feeds.



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Intel PIII Pentium family

Online Proliferation



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2010 – 2020: The Decade of Flash Memory



Reason #1: Consumers are Memory Aware



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1.86GHz

Intel Core 2 Duo processor with 1066MHz frontside bus

2GB Memory

120G8 SATA hard drive¹ NVIDIA GeForce 9400M graphics

Ships: Within 24hrs Free Shipping

\$1,499.00 financing available



2.13GHz

Intel Core 2 Duo processor with 1066MHz frontside bus

2GB Memory 128GB solid-state drive¹

NVIDIA GeForce 9400M graphics

Ships: Within 24hrs Free Shipping

\$1,799.00 financing available





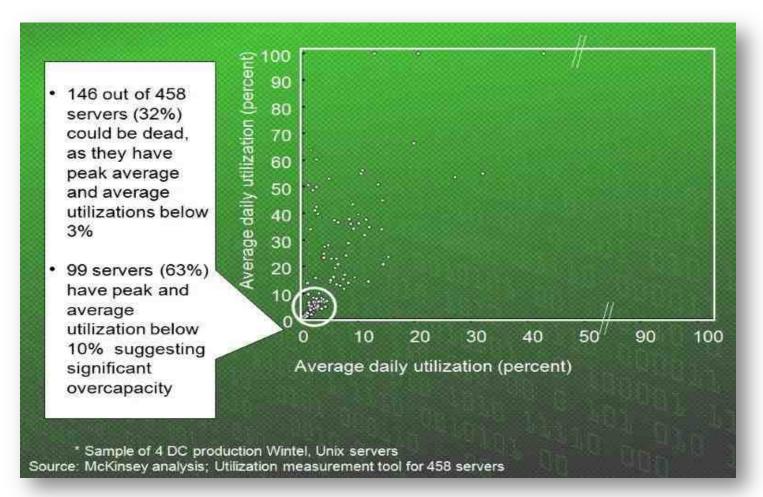
When's the last time consumers **really** cared about GHz?

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Reason #2: It's Gigabytes, not Gigahertz



Even Where You Think GHz Matters...



...it doesn't! But, NAND Flash memory will increase performance.

Flash Memory: The New Performance Operator

Micron Enterprise-Class Solid-State Drive

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Nimbus Data S-Class Storage Rack, Using Micron Enterprise NAND





Reason #3: Consumer Devices Are Becoming **Computers**

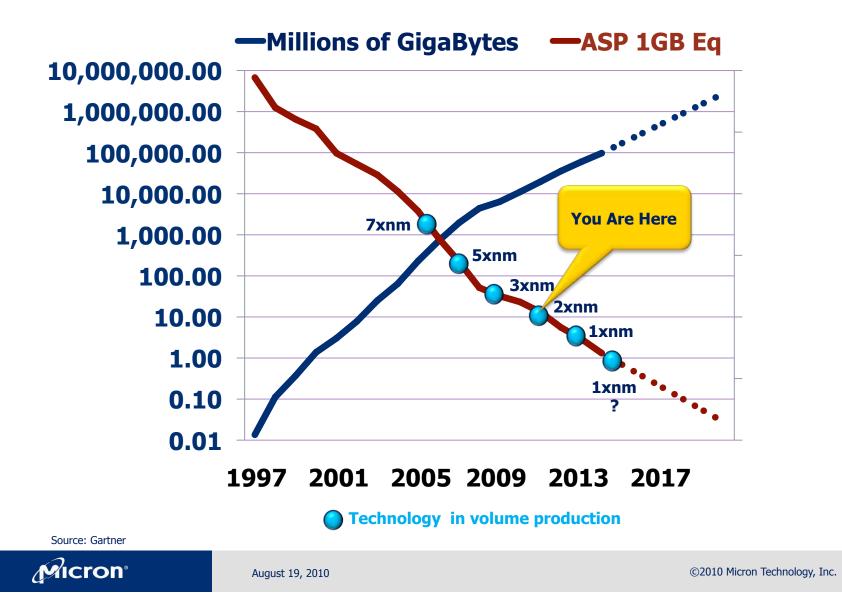


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How Did We Get Here?

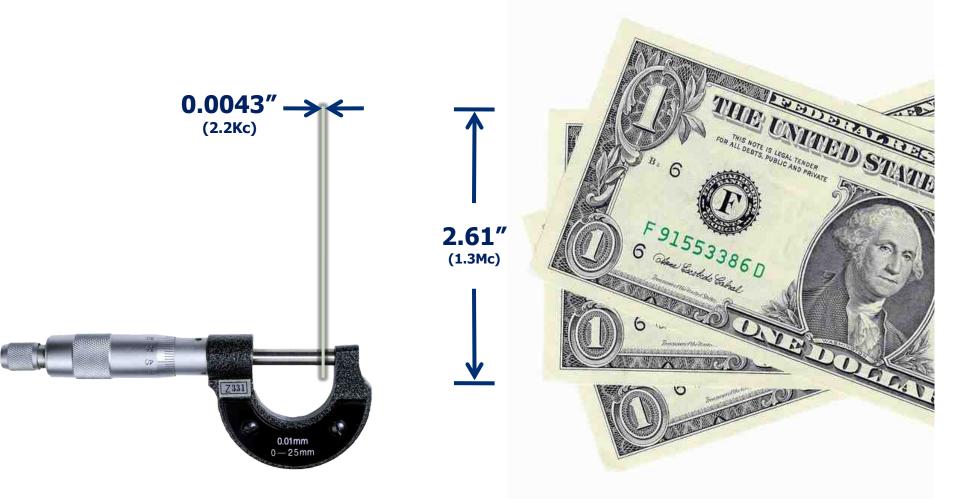


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How Small is Small?

US One Dollar bill cross section (2.8 Billion Physical Bits)



How Small is Small?



Every Led Zeppelin song & Beatles song **ever** produced... (and still have room left over)



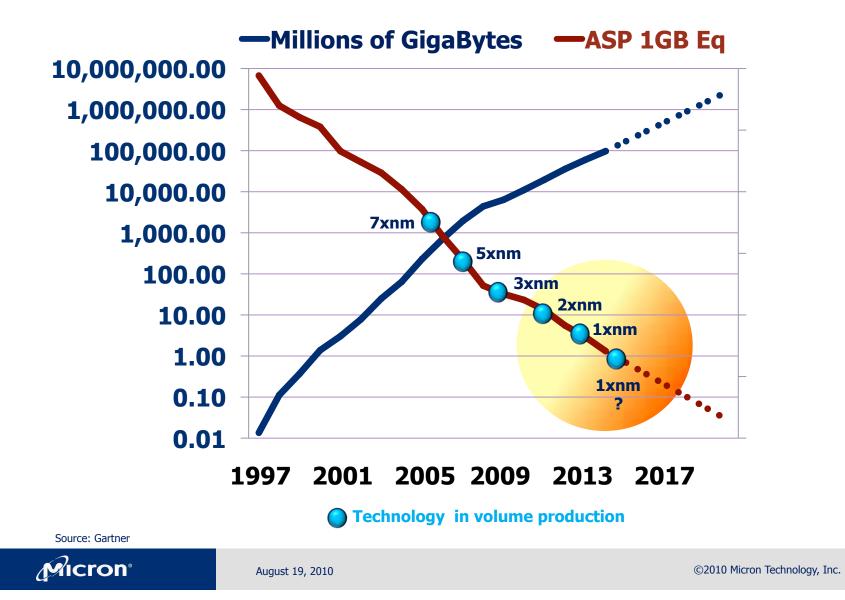
I never give them hell. I just tell the truth and they think it's hell.

- Harry S. Truman

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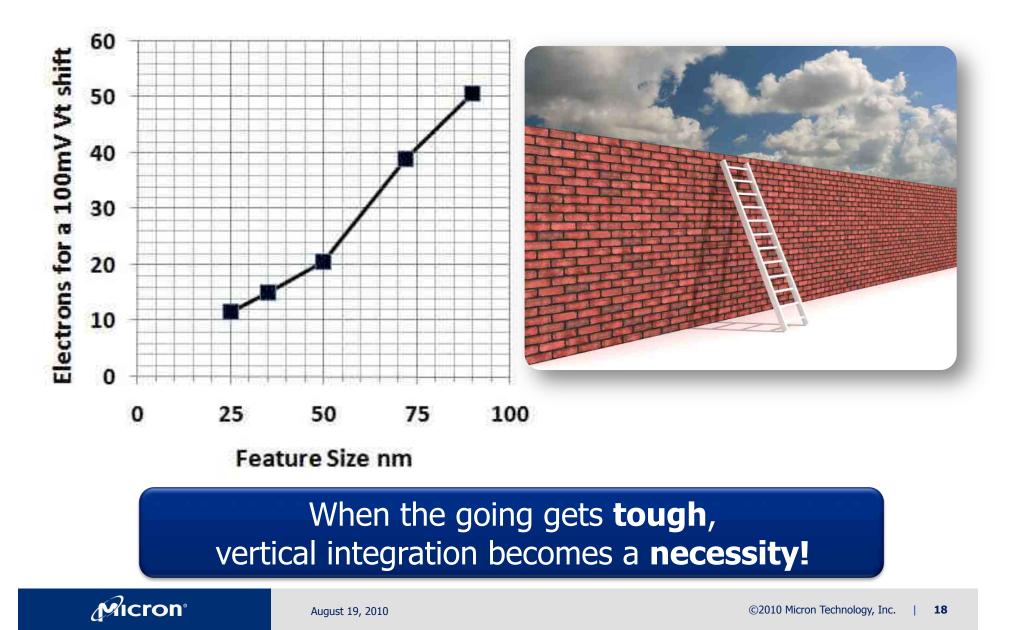
Fragmentation, Differentiation, Innovation and of course Aggravation



Reason #4: Where there are challenges, there are opportunities



NAND Scaling: Getting Closer to the Wall

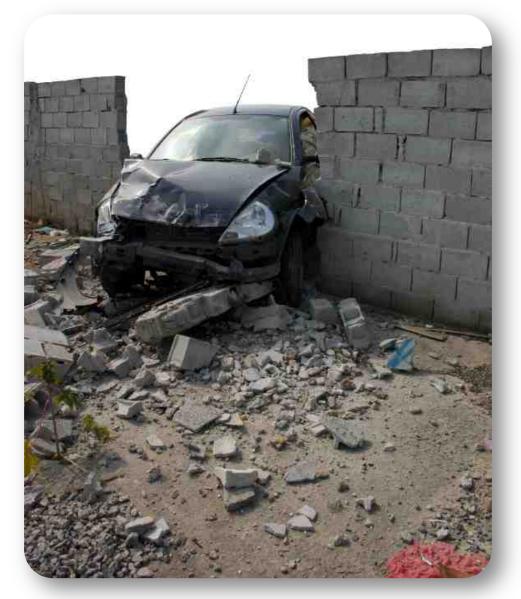


What Happens Once We Reach the Wall?





NAND Scaling: Breaking Through the Wall





Let's Look at Our Options

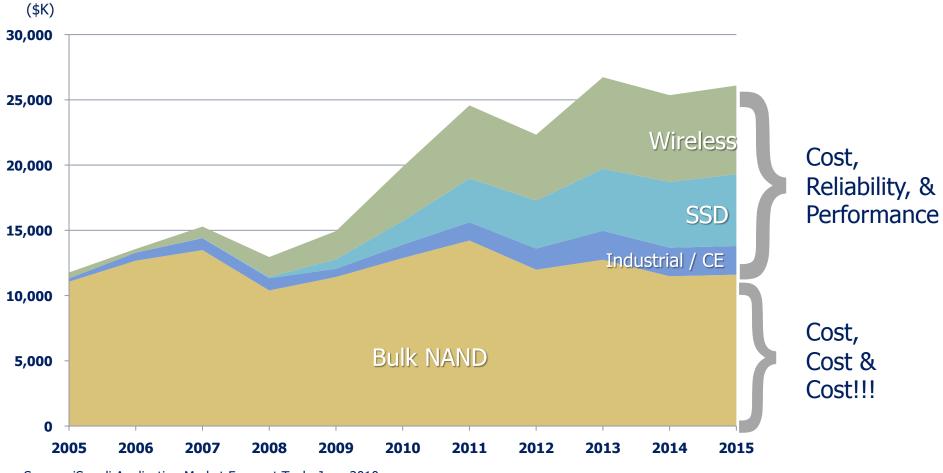
	FeRAM	MRAM	FBRAM	TRAM	РСМ
Read Performance	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Write Performance	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Unlimited Writes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Non-Volatile	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes
Cost	>>DRAM	>DRAM	<dram< td=""><td><dram< td=""><td><dram< td=""></dram<></td></dram<></td></dram<>	<dram< td=""><td><dram< td=""></dram<></td></dram<>	<dram< td=""></dram<>
Theoretically Scalable	With New Materials	With New Materials	Yes	Yes	Yes
Production Today	Yes	Yes*	No	No	Yes

* Current production not scalable, New Materials required for scalability

Each technology has specific strengths and weaknesses enabling entry into differing markets And different market timing based on maturity



What **Really** Matters?

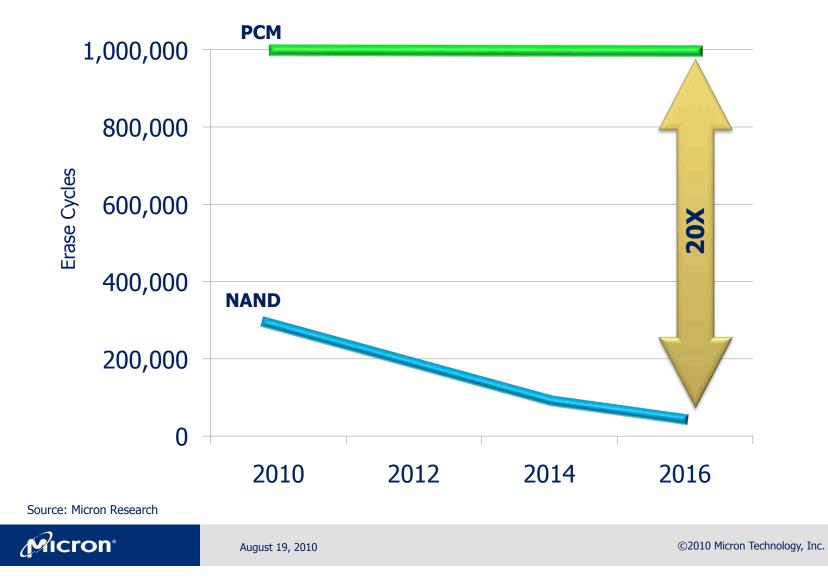


Source: iSuppli Application Market Forecast Tool, June 2010

TAM expansion in markets that will **challenge** technology capability

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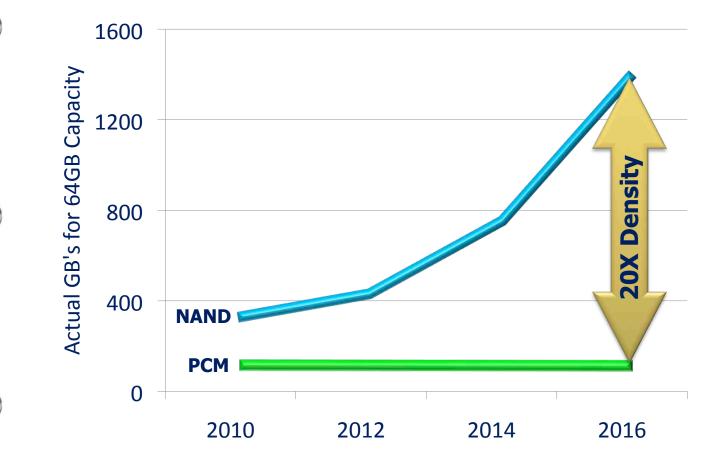
Endurance Scalability



Interfaces Getting Faster



System Solutions Endurance vs. Density



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What Does This Mean to You?

Consumers

OEMs





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