

The Market Case for NAND Caching in PCs

Flash Memory Summit – 2012

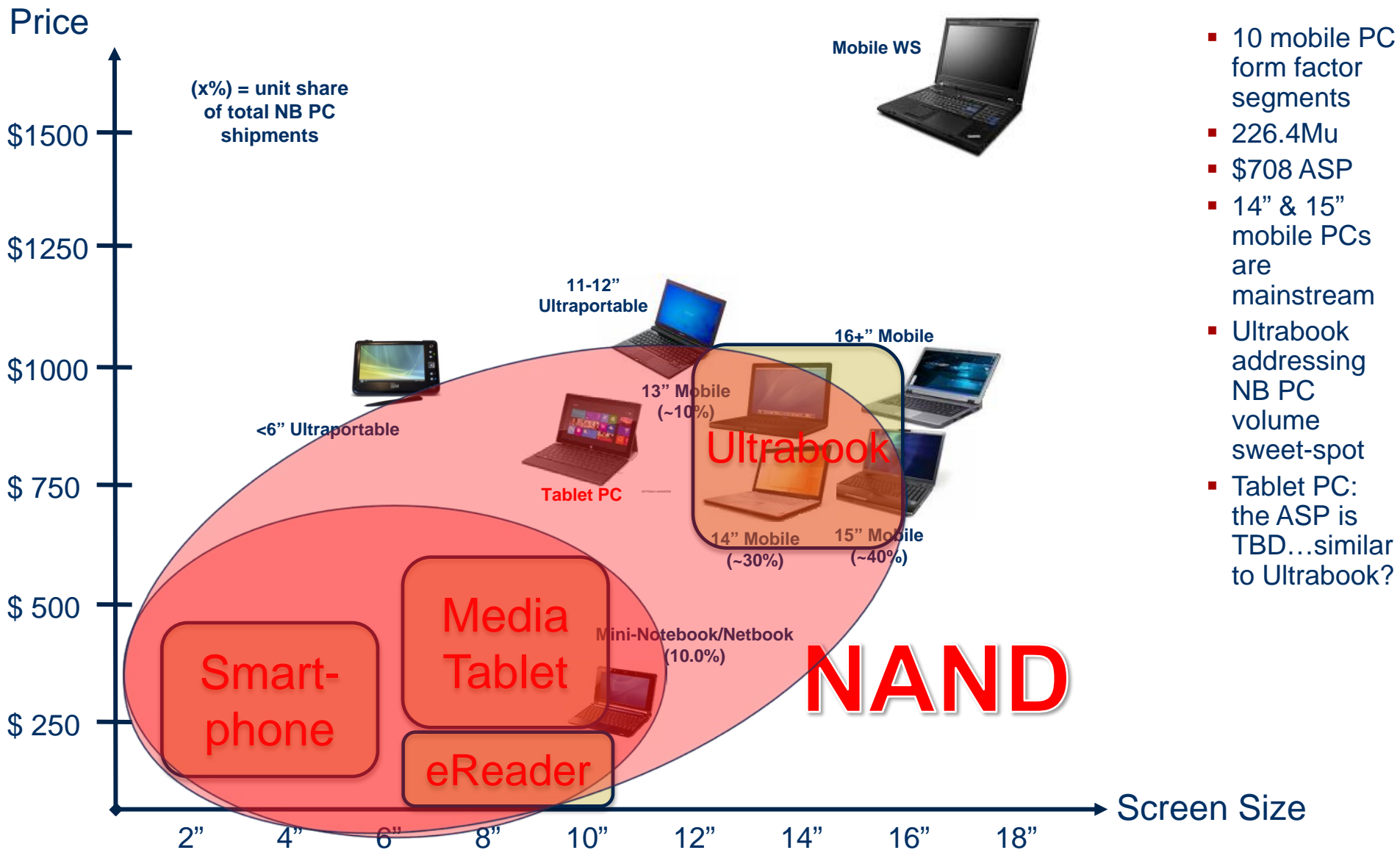
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Mobile Device Definitions




PC		<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ x86 CPU▪ Notebook or desktop▪ Desktop (file-based) OS
Tablet PC		<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Desktop (file-based) OS▪ Slate or convertible▪ 7"-12" Screen
Media Tablet		<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Mobile OS▪ Slate form factor▪ >5" Screen
Smartphone		<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Mobile OS▪ Voice+data focus▪ ≤5" screen
eReader		<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Custom OS▪ Purpose built▪ e-Ink screen

Mobile Device Landscape By Unit ASP and Screen Size



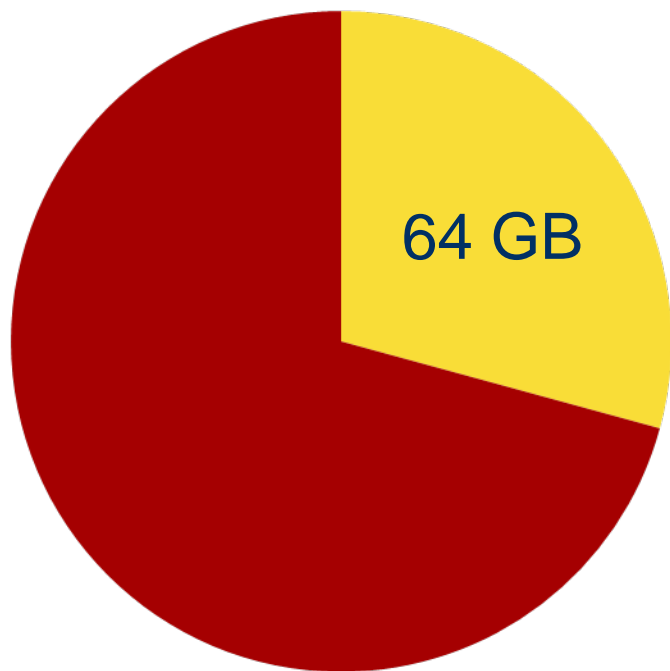
- 10 mobile PC form factor segments
- 226.4Mu
- \$708 ASP
- 14" & 15" mobile PCs are mainstream
- Ultrabook addressing NB PC volume sweet-spot
- Tablet PC: the ASP is TBD...similar to Ultrabook?

Mobile Device Mass Storage Requirements

Portable Device Form Factor:	Handheld Devices	Two-Handed Devices	Laptop
			
User's On-Board Storage Capacity Expectations	+	++	+++
Portable Device OEM Storage Expectations	Small, light, robust, low-power device. Low cost	Small, light, robust, low-power device. Will accept a higher cost.	High capacity storage at a steadily lower \$/GB.
Storage Technology	NAND	NAND	HDD and NAND

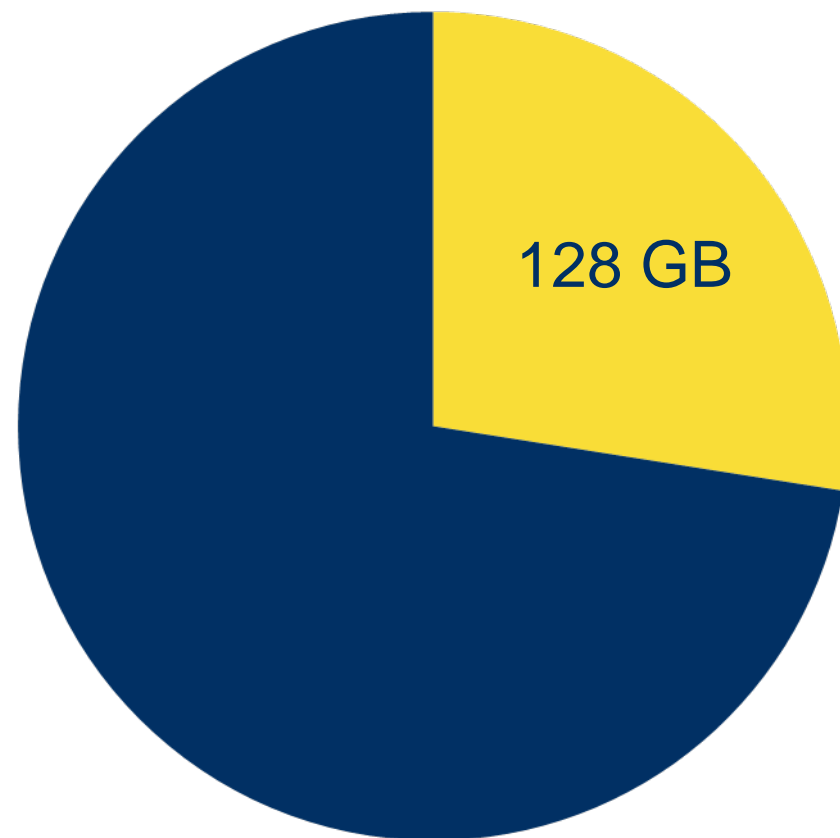
Mass Storage Is Needed: Consumer PC Storage Capacity Utilization - 2010

Consumer Notebook PC



- Average Data Content (GB)
- Average Unused (GB)

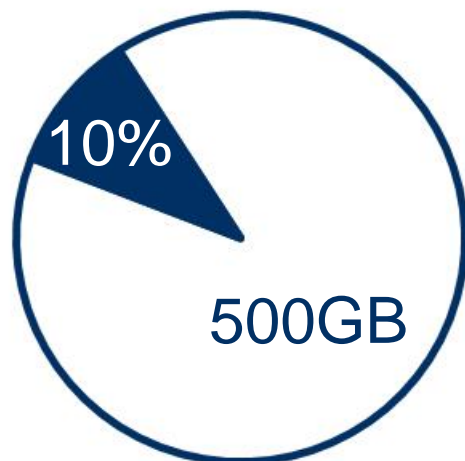
Consumer Desktop PC



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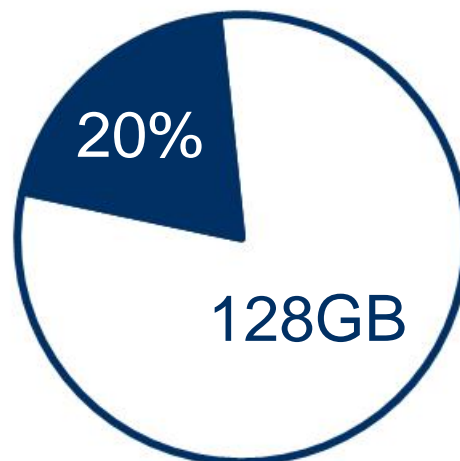
Comparison of BOM Budgets for Mobile Device Mass Storage

Average
Notebook PC



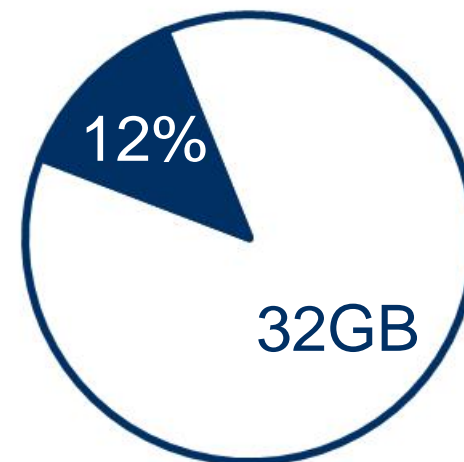
Average
BOM Cost:
\$450

Ultrabook
With SSD



Average
BOM Cost:
\$685

Media Tablet



Average
BOM Cost:
\$325

Ultrabook Performance Requirements

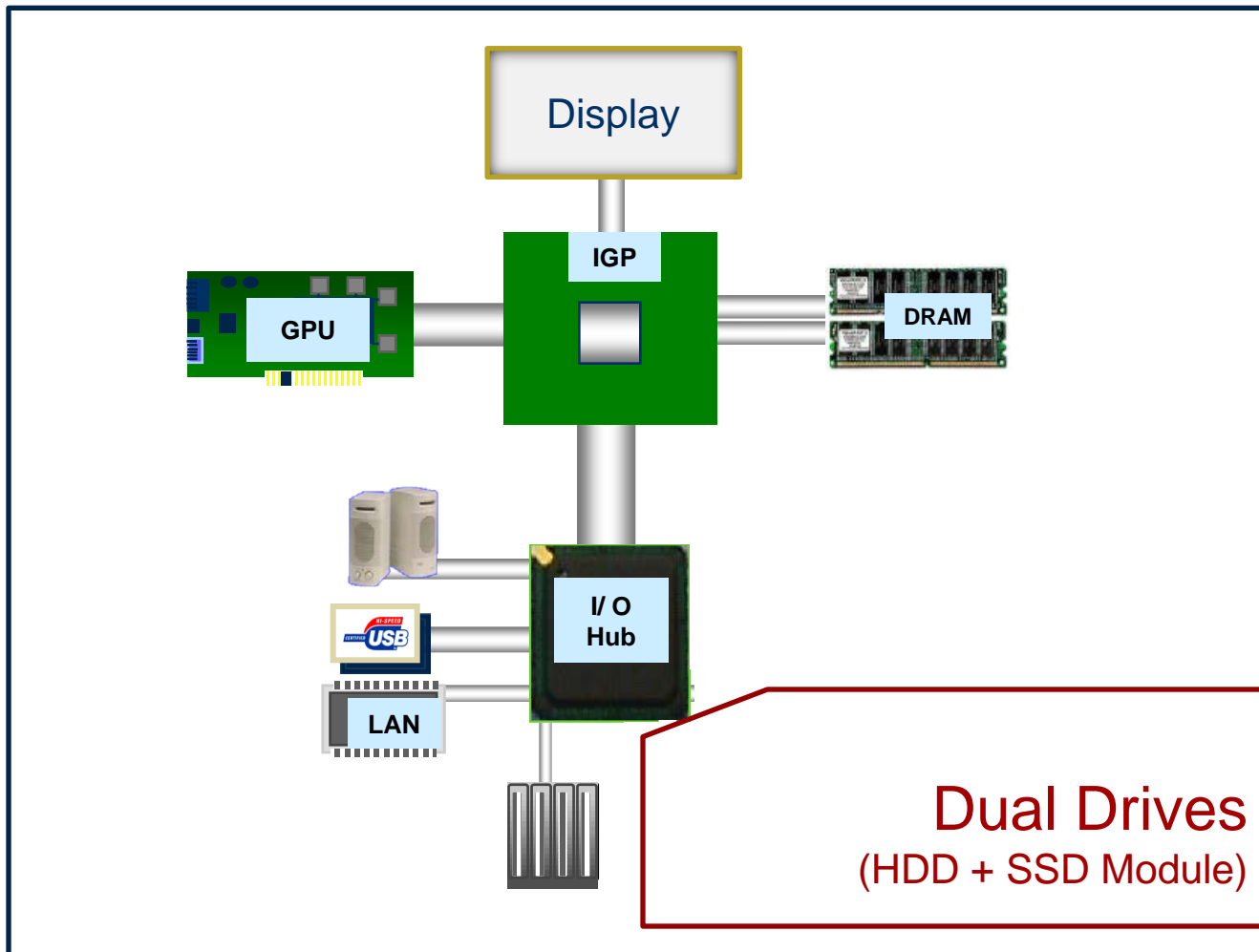
- ✓ Fast cold boot-up
- ✓ Quickly shut down to the S4 hibernate mode
- ✓ Resume from S4 hibernate in < 7 seconds



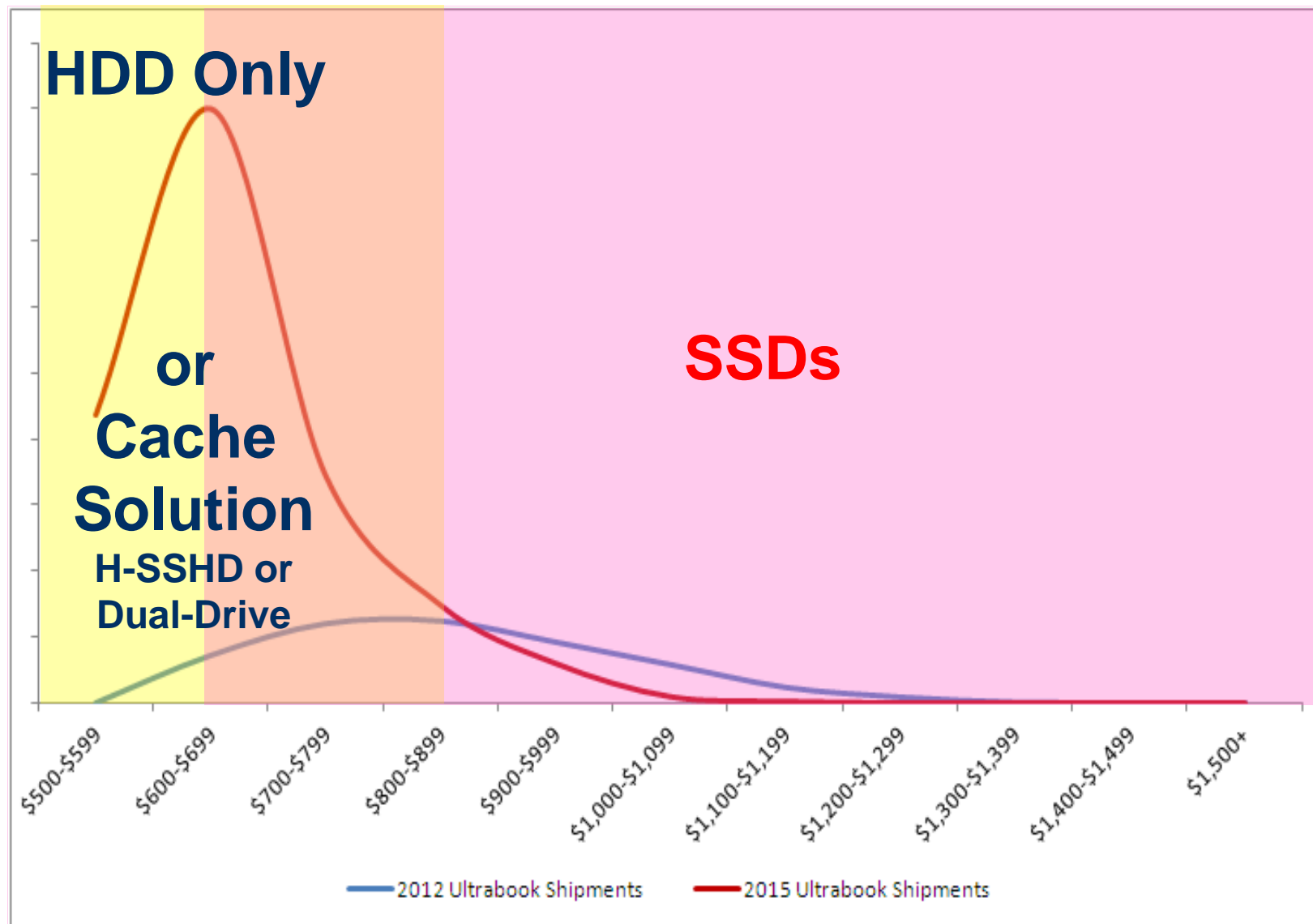
Many Paths to Reduce Latency/ Improve PC Performance...

1. Improving the OS boot-up process
2. Improving power transitions
(resume from standby or hibernate)
3. Using a NAND-flash SSD as a mass storage device
4. Caching data with a relatively small capacity of NAND flash in the systems (in conjunction with the use of a mass storage device)

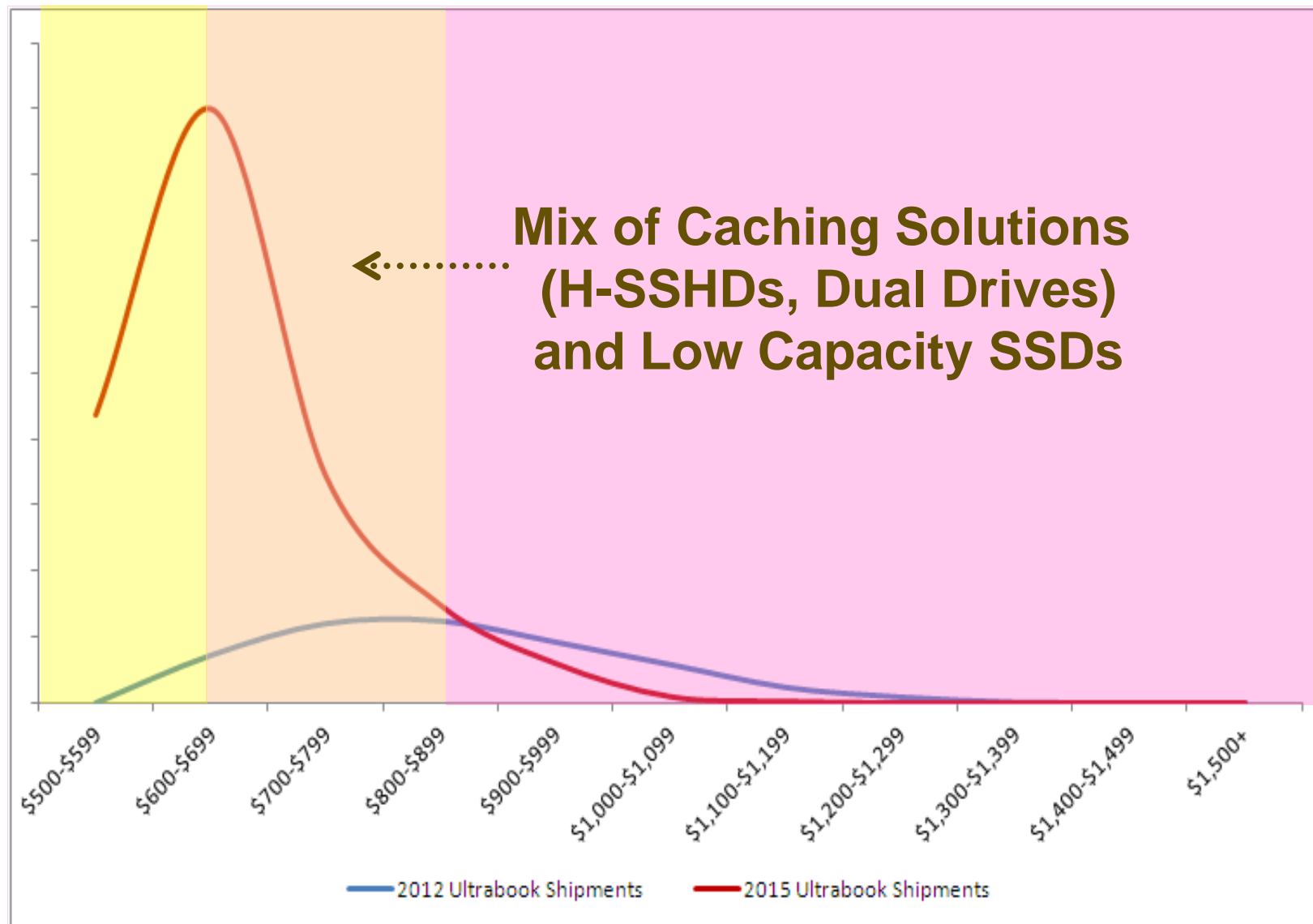
Storage Caching Options: Notebook PCs









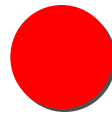
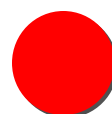



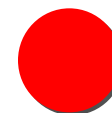








2012 and 2015 Ultrabook Shipments by Priceband



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Stack-Up Challenge for HDDs in Thin-Chassis NB PCs

PC Chassis Thickness	21mm (0.82")	18mm (0.72")	15mm (0.60")	12mm (0.47")
9.5mm z-height 2.5" HDD				
7.0mm z-height 2.5" HDD				
5.0mm z-height 2.5" HDD				
≤ 5mm z-height 2.5" SSD				
Single-sided SSD Module				

Note: Microsoft Surface is 0.37" thick

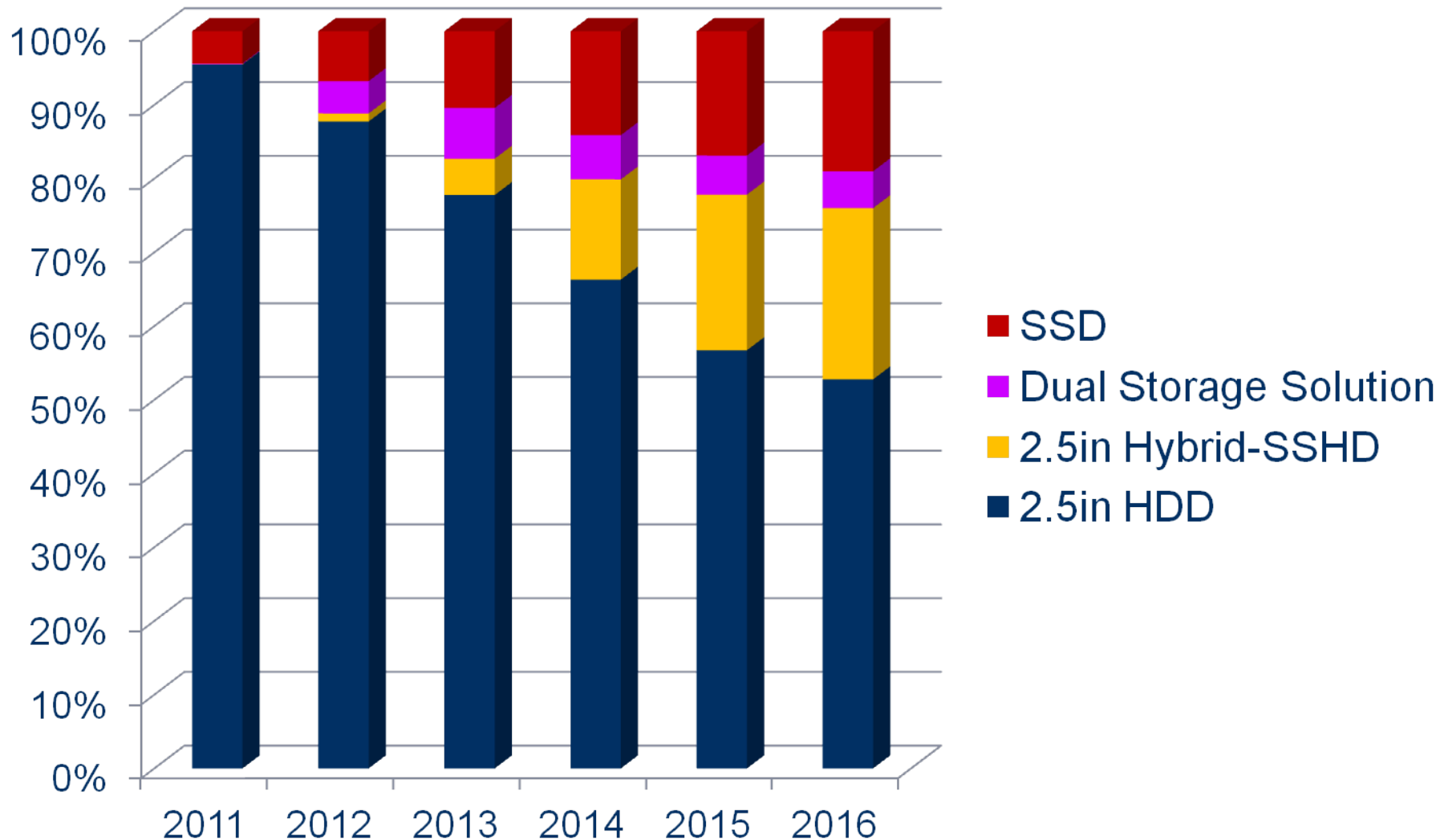
Source: Intel IDF 2012
Samuel Benn, Johnny Cheng

Other Hybrid-SSHD

Key Adoption Assumptions

1. Two or more Hybrid-SSHD suppliers
 - *Expecting there will be at least two suppliers by 2013*
2. Thinner hybrid-SSHD designs
 - *Expecting 7mm z-height models will be available (in volume) to PC OEMs in 2013*
3. Economic value is sold to PC OEMs
4. Hybrid-SSHD marketing is stepped-up!

Portable PC Shipments: Percent by Mass Storage Solution Type



Thank you



Questions?

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