

NAND Controller NFS

The changing world of Memory

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NAND trends

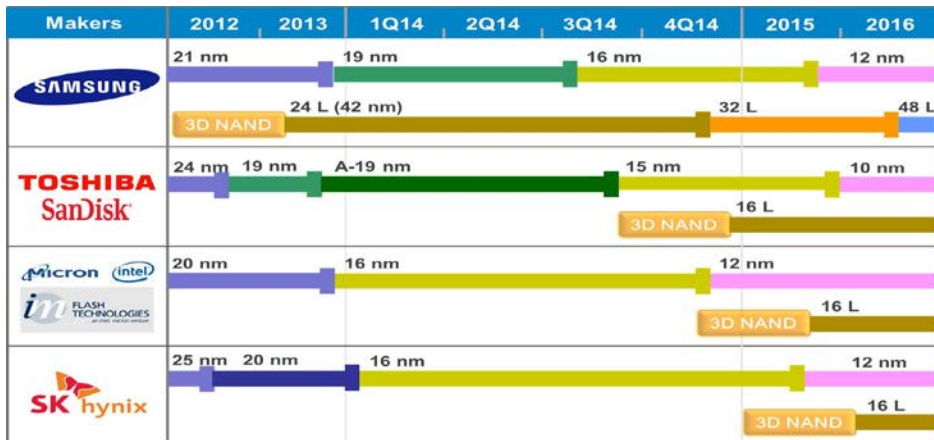
System Requirements

Memory, Storage Controller Overview

Controller Advantages

NAND Changes Many times in a Silicon Cycle

- The constant change in NAND processing makes it difficult to keep up at the controller level.
- The average SSD controller release is between 18 and 30 months.
- Error corrected NAND can limit performance.



SanDisk NAND Memory Roadmap

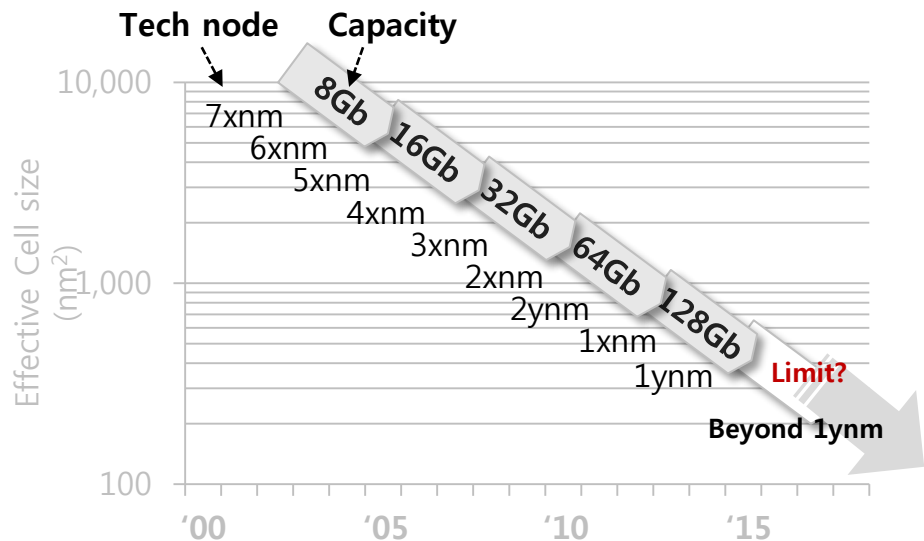


- 1Y PRODUCTION IN 2013
- MAKING PROGRESS ON 1Z NAND, ...
- AGGRESSIVE POST NAND RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

NAND Technology Innovation

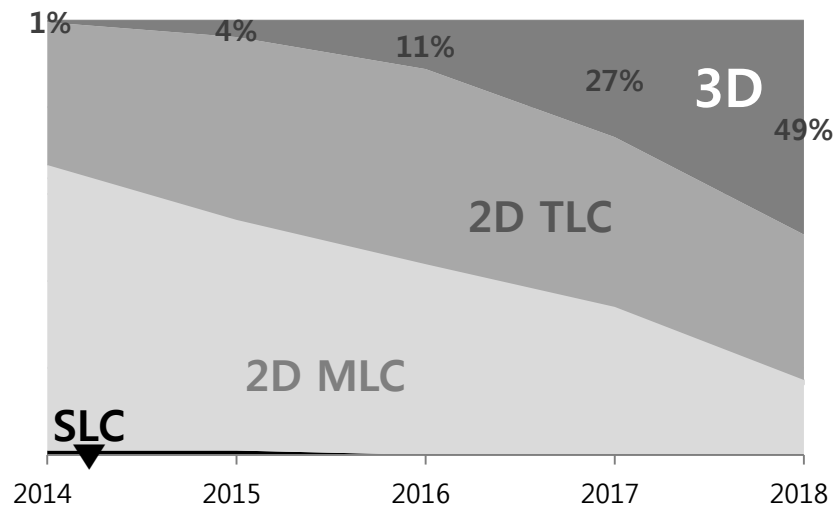
NAND Flash faces challenges to satisfy cost and capacity,
another approach required to overcome technical limitations

NAND Technology Trend



3D Portion Trend

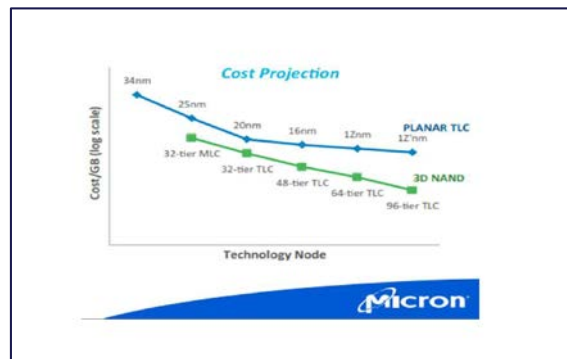
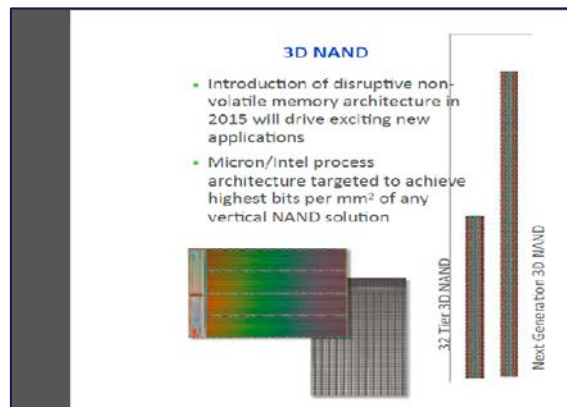
[Unit : % of Total GB]



Storage The next Generation

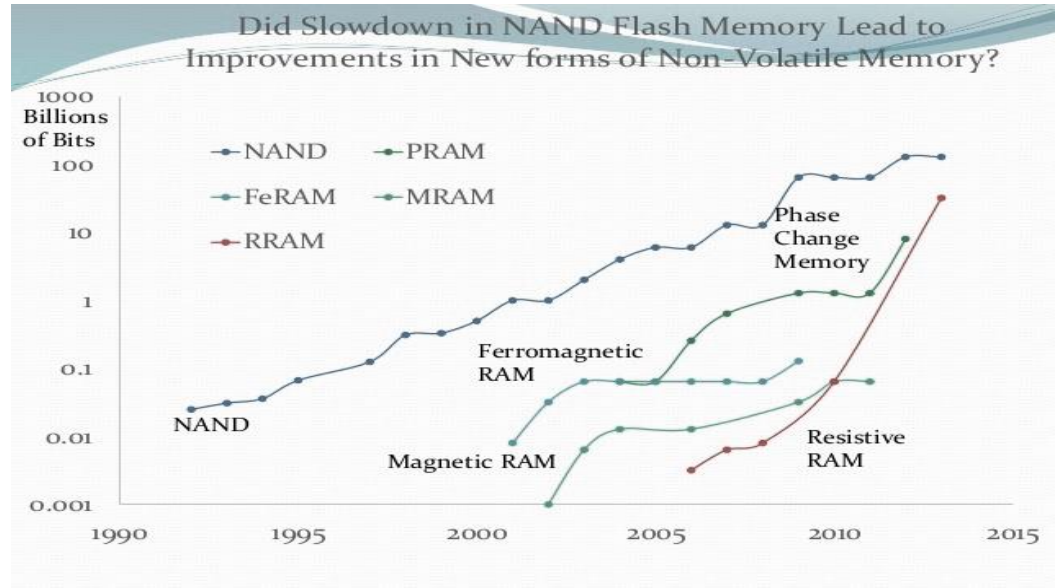
The Biggest Memory/Storage Change in 10 years

- ◀ Micron Technology presented some new 3D NAND cost and road map information at the company's Analyst Day on Friday, February 13.
- ◀ **Large Capacities** –Three times the capacity of existing 3D technology¹— up to 48GB of NAND per die—enabling three-fourths of a terabyte to fit in a single fingertip-sized package.
- ◀ **Samsung started delivery of 3D NAND SSD for consumer applications**
- ◀ 3D NAND technology uses floating gate cells and enables the highest-density flash device ever developed—three times higher capacity¹ than other NAND die in production.
- ◀ Enables gum stick-sized SSDs with more than 3.5 terabytes (TB) of storage and standard 2.5-inch SSDs with greater than 10TB.
- ◀ **Change Causes Disruption**
 - Time to Market
 - Early adoption
 - Application Explosion



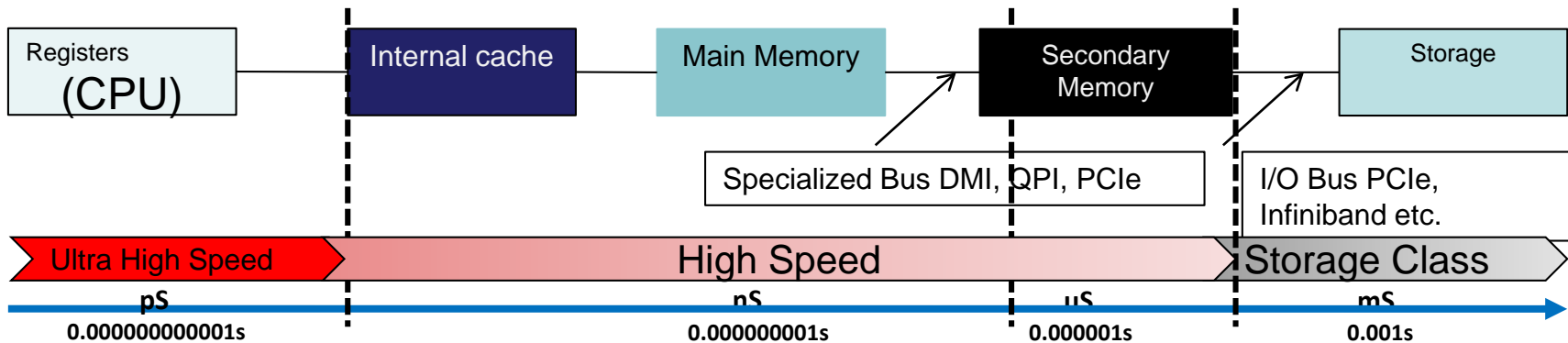
Enter New Memory solutions (A new Dawn Awaits)

- Did the 14nm NAND delay drive these solutions to becomes next gen?
- Or did the need for more flexible memory and storage applications Drive this transition?
- New Memories are complementary to existing solutions
 - How to Adopt
 - Where do they go
- How do they fit in tomorrows Server/storage Architectures

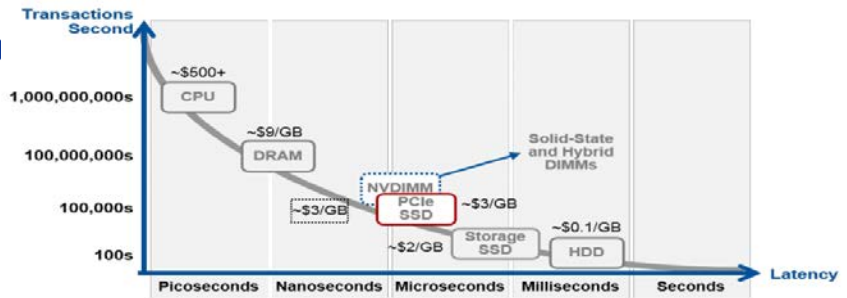


Memory Hierarchy Design

More levels provide more opportunities

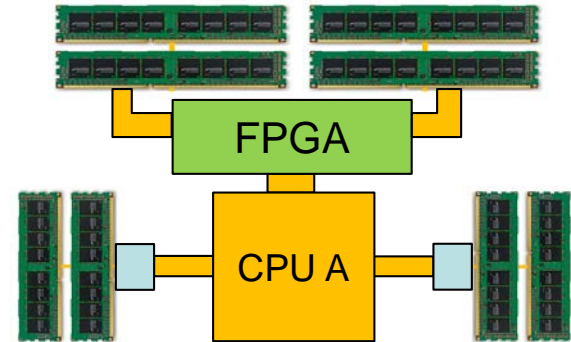


- It is a tradeoff between Capacity, speed and cost and exploits the principle of locality.
- Attachment to CPU
 - Reduces OS awareness of I/O bus, fast large storage

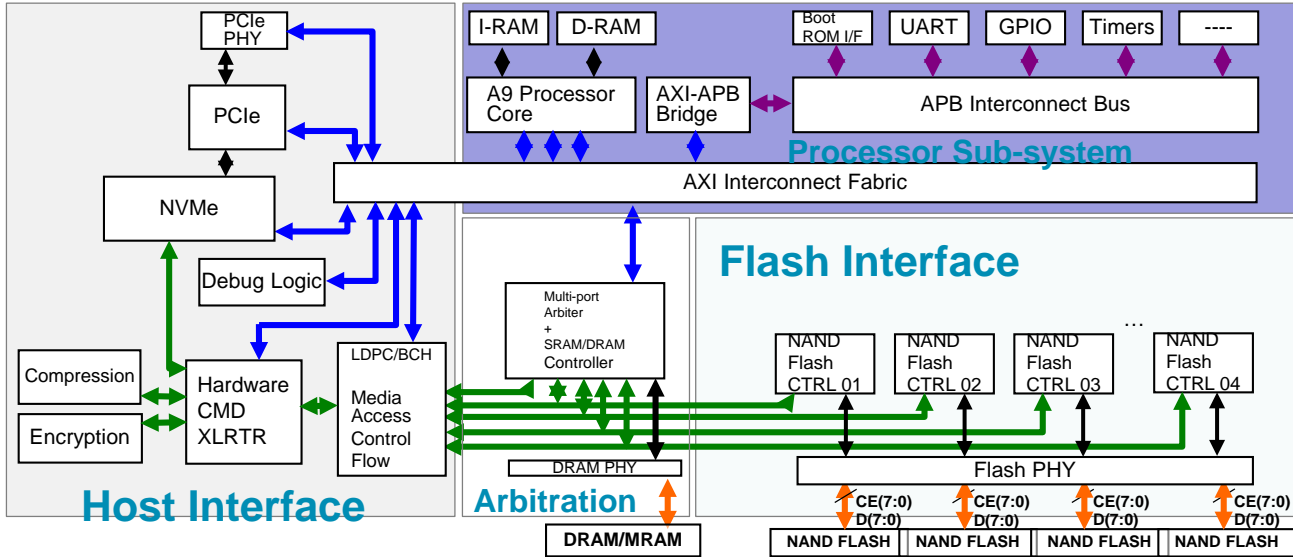


RAM Locality is King

- The cpu mostly waits for RAM
- Flash / Disk are 100,000 ...1,000,000 clocks away from cpu
- RAM is ~100 clocks away unless you have locality (cache).
- If you want 1CPI (clock per instruction) you have to have the data in cache (program cache is “easy”)
- This requires cache conscious data-structures and algorithms sequential (or predictable) access patterns
- Main Memory DB is going to be common.



POC SSD Design



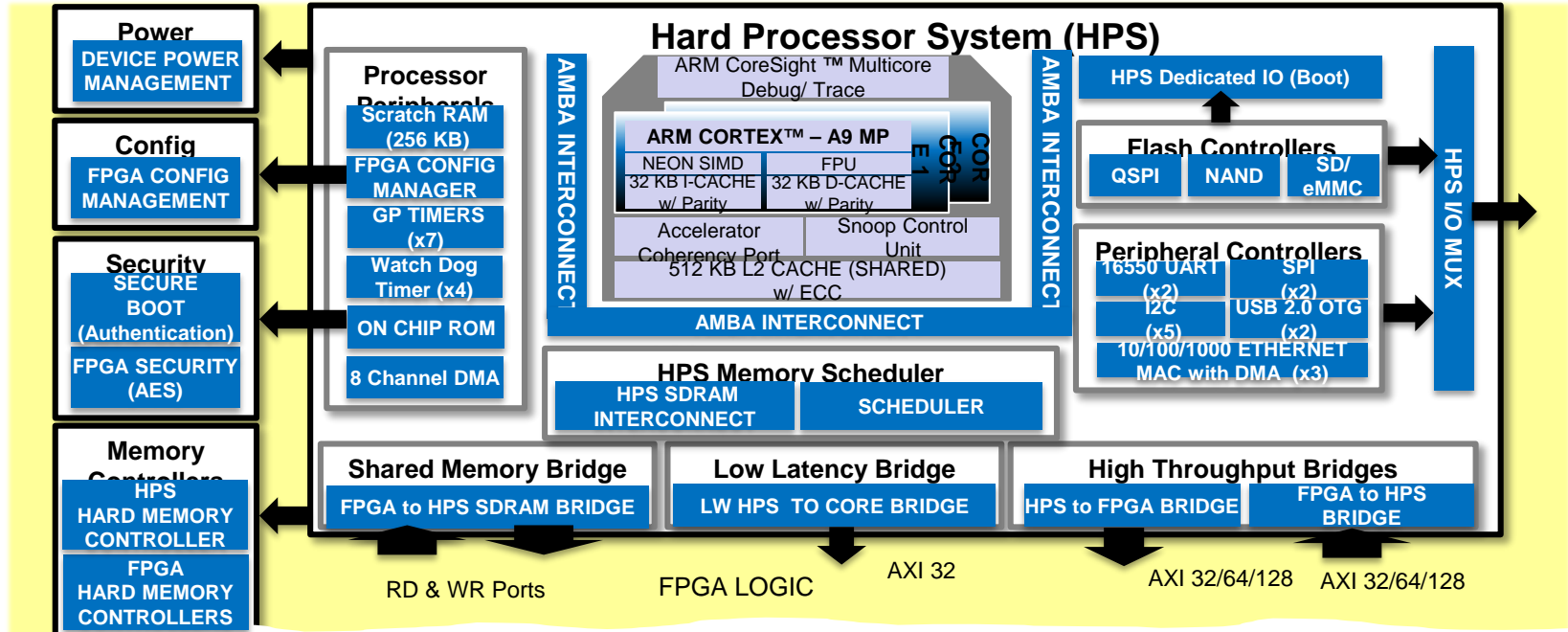
Arria 10 SOC the target devices would depend features can fit into arrays

- SX320 (Limited features, no compression or encryption)
- SX480 (with either compression or encryption)
- SX570 for full features
- New Nand Management scheme

Flexibility of the Design

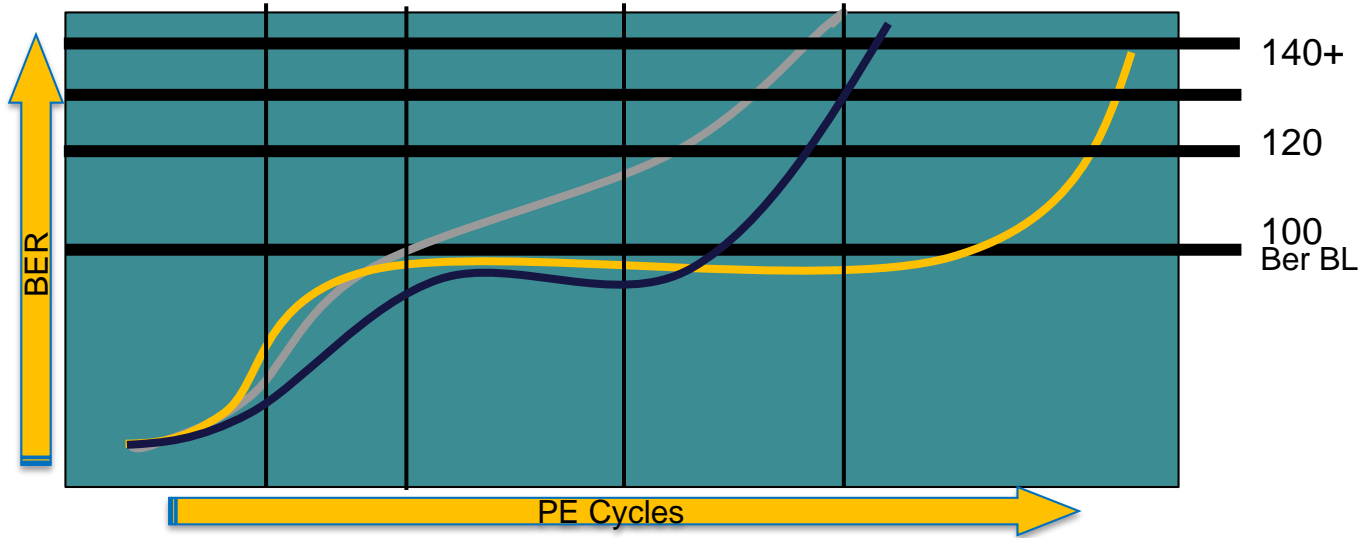
- Number of NAND channels
- Compression, Encryption, ECC
- Optimized Commands
- NAND Command Q
- Packet transfer
- Processors functionality
- Memory use and function
- Optimized NAND access to system function
- DRAM and NVM memory support
- Performance tuning latency, Bandwidth etc.
- ROI based on new NAND technology and availability

Arria 10 HPS Block Diagram



ECC vs NAND Management

Advanced NAND management for maximum Performance and Cost



- Advantages
- Linear Read, Write performance
- No tail latency
- Low latency
- Predictable performance

Storage Technology Application Focus

- **NVME SSD**
 - Uses a new NAND management scheme that improves lifetime and
 - Improves Lifetime
 - Improves performance
- **Advanced Features can reduce system cost as well as Flash Array cost providing improved ROI.**
- **SSA (Solid State Array)**
 - Extended Lifetime of NAND Flash
 - Enables high bandwidth and better random access
 - Controls cost and improves ROI
- Companies Cannot develop an SOC for their volume they are stuck with commodity HW.
- An FPGA can enable a new level of performance and offering new capabilities for mixed memories
- **Direct Attach Storage/memory**
 - Latency reduction from all other suppliers
 - Extended lifetime
- New technology enablement to reduce storage latency and add in in Database memory capabilities for HPC
- Integrated single chip solutions along with new DRAM, MRAM memory arrays.

Conclusion

- Memory Types and Capacity will challenge current sources to meet market changes.
- Application acceleration will need to be fine tuned to maximize performance.
- Dis aggregation of data will have an impact on the storage architecture.
- FPGA's single chip solution can be cost effective in specialized applications and for times when memory is quickly advancing.
- NAND management system improves the performance and lifetime of NAND and there performance

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