

### VHM Introduction to Intel

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# Agenda

- APMemory Company Profile
- VHM Introduction
- Example Solutions



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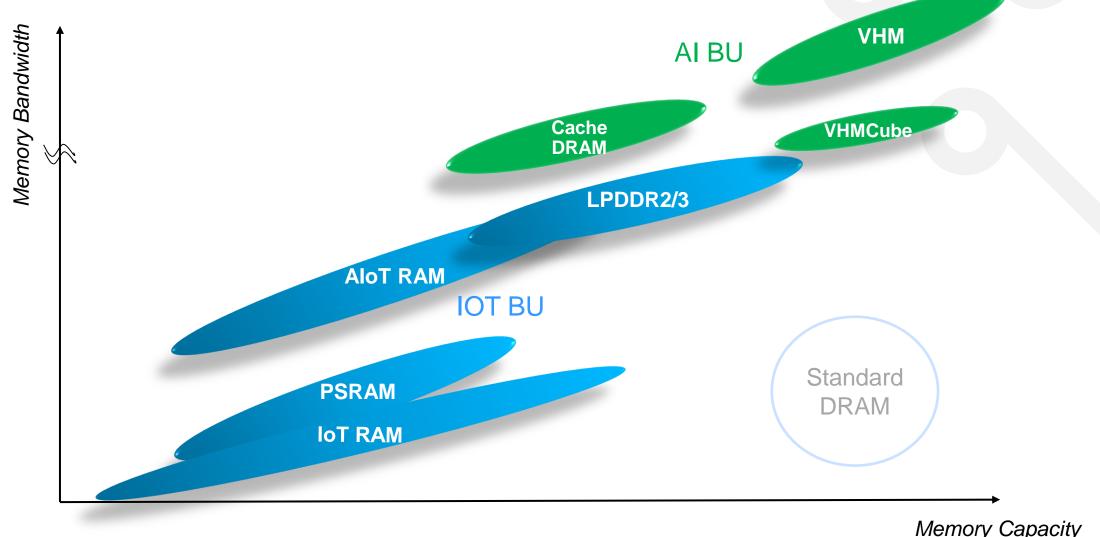
# **About AP Memory**

- A fabless DRAM product and IP company since 2011
  - Seasoned team with over 25 years of memory design and production experience
- Listed in Taiwan Stock Exchange (6531.TW)
- Locations
  - Headquarters in Hsinchu, Taiwan
  - Design Centers in US, Taiwan, and China
  - Sales offices in Taiwan and China, sales rep and distributors in US and EU
- Key product lines
  - pSRAM and low-power DRAM for IoT applications
  - High bandwidth DRAM and IP for high performance computing applications
- 2021 revenue: USD ~230M
  - Over 6 billion accumulated unit shipment since established



### **APM DRAM Product Positioning**

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Memory Capacity

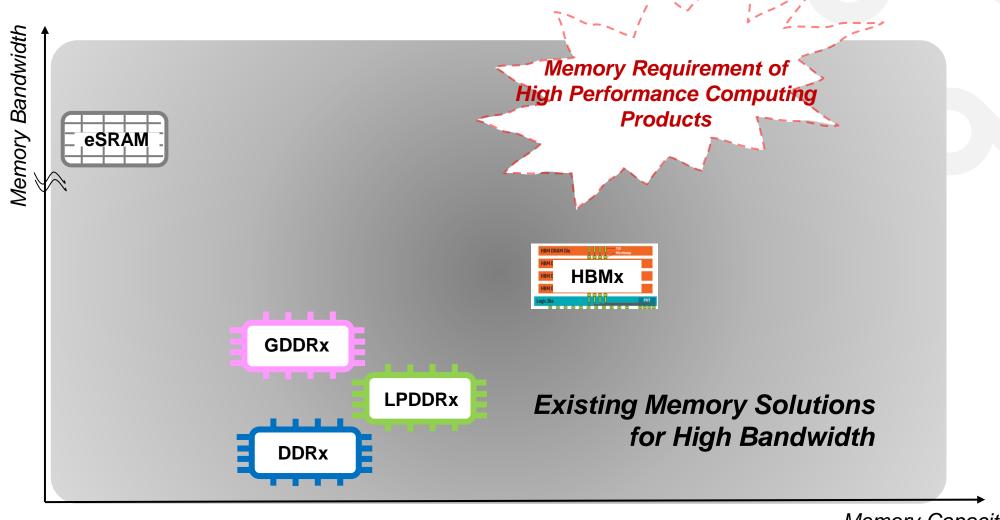
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# VHM™ Introduction



### **Problem Statement**

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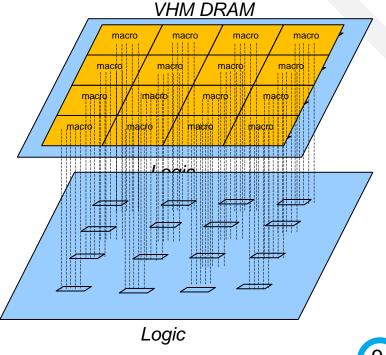
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# **APMemory's Solution**

- APMemory introduces Very High-bandwidth Memory (VHM), an innovative DRAM solution with
- 1. Very high bandwidth
  - 6TB/s or more, practically unlimited
- 2. Efficient power
  - < 0.5 pJ/bit</li>
- 3. Large memory capacity
  - Up to 8GB with one layer of 25nm DRAM
    - >32GB with leading edge DRAM

- VHM™ is a Virtual Embedded DRAM
  - Optimized DRAM macros tailored to ASIC's memory requirement

 Huge bandwidth achieved thru thousands of parallel transmission via 3D stacking

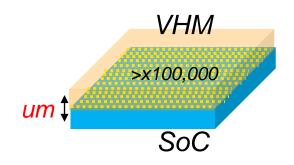


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### **DRAM Solution Comparison**

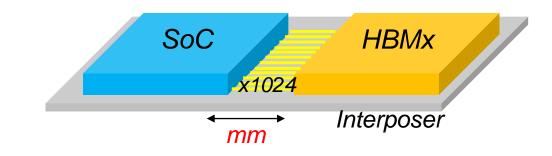
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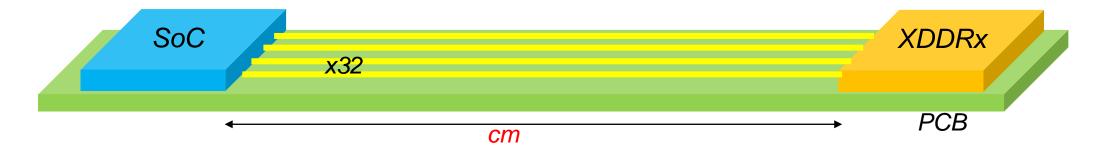
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#### **VHM** differentiations

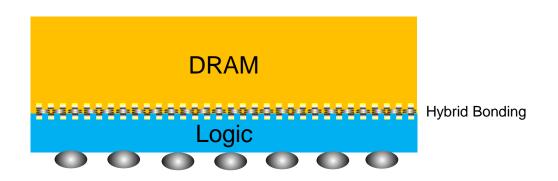
- Unlimited BW
- 10X lower pJ/bit than HBMx

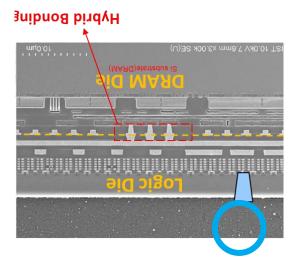


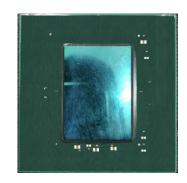


### Implementation Example

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- 38nm DRAM
- 55nm Logic
- Face-to-face hybrid bonding
- TSV in logic
- HB contact pitch of <3um</li>
- Back-side TSV w/ pitch of <10um</li>
- 4.5GB @600mm²
- In Production
  - Up to ~9x performance/power of best GPU
  - Current 2 stacking foundries in MP Another being qualified

### **DRAM Solution Benchmark**

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Solution	Interface width (pin)	Data Rate (Gb/s/pin)	Bandwidth (GB/s)	Power Efficiency (pJ/bit)
VHM*	~70K**	0.5	4600**	<0.5
HBM2E (per stack)	1024	3.2	410	~6
GDDR6	32	16	64	~7.5
LPDDR5	32	6.4	25.6	~5.5

Source: Micron, APMemory

<sup>\*</sup>Based on a test chip of APM's 38nm DRAM + 55nm Logic thru wafer stacking

<sup>\*\*</sup> Can be higher with optimized DRAM design

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### VHM<sup>TM</sup> + VHM LInK<sup>TM</sup>

- VHM-LInK™
  - DRAM Interface
  - Testing logic, and other physical, logical, DFT/DFM IP

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Logic (customer)

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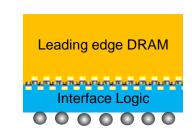
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# **Example Solutions for Intel**

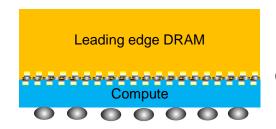


# Some solutions that may be of interestidential

- We can now access a leading DRAM vendor
  - Stacking can be also done at the same DRAM vendor
  - Business model: NRE + Licensing
- Custom DRAM chiplet built with VHM™
  - <30mm^2/GB in leading DRAM node</p>
  - Customer design of interface possible; KGD possible.
- Compute SOC/chiplet with VHM™
  - Leading DRAM node, >32GB per reticle
  - Direct stacking with FPGA, xPU
  - Unlimited bandwidth >32TB/s, <0.5pJ/bit</li>



Custom DRAM chiplet



SOC or Compute chiplet

# Thank you

