

HIGH-PERFORMANCE GENOME STUDIES

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THE BIOLOGY

Roughly, how an engineer sees it

Organisms

Cells

Proteins

DNA

Genes

Nucleotides

SINGLE NUCLEOTIDE POLYMORPHISM

nucleotide's allele differs between
two individuals of a species

link to traits, diseases?

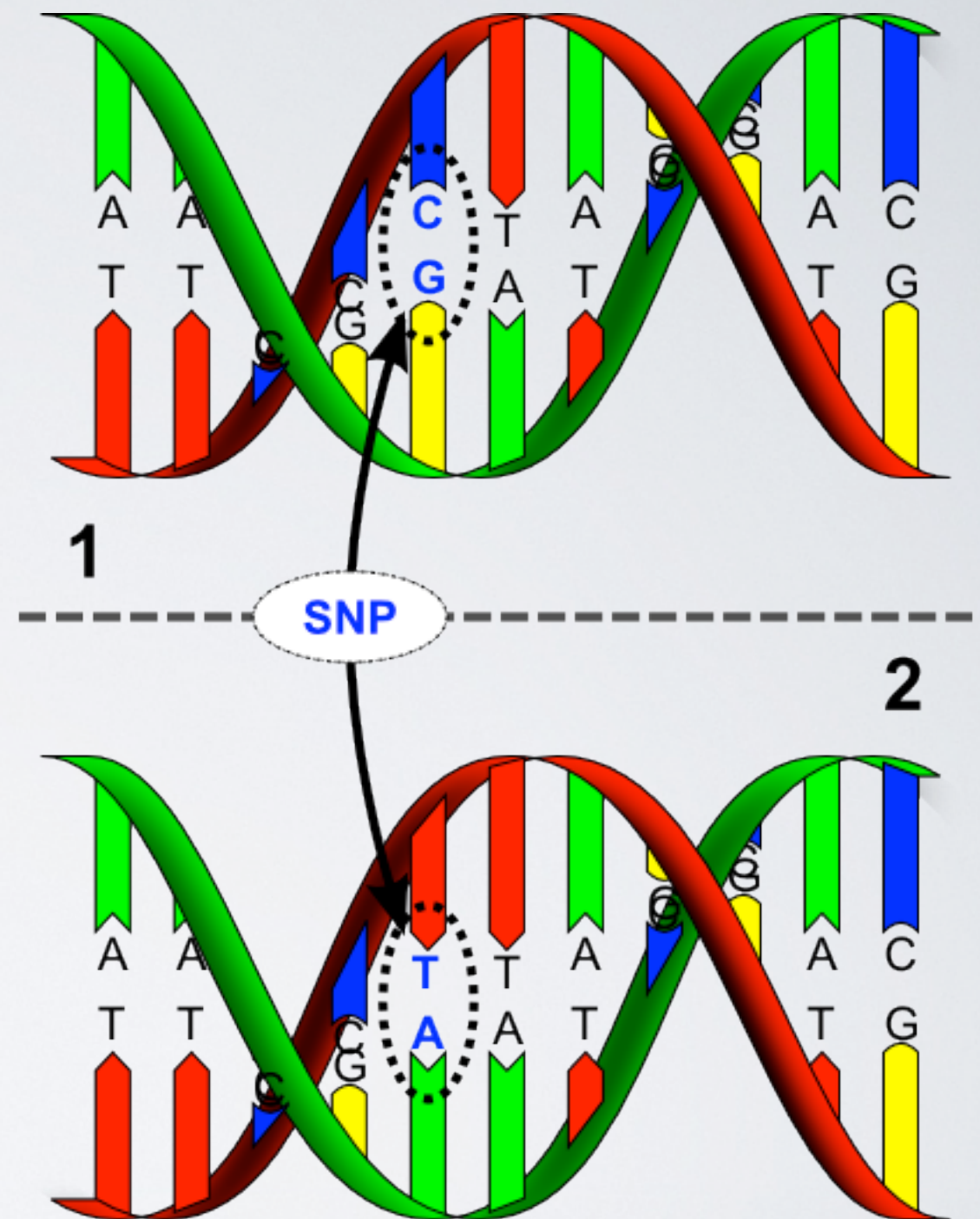


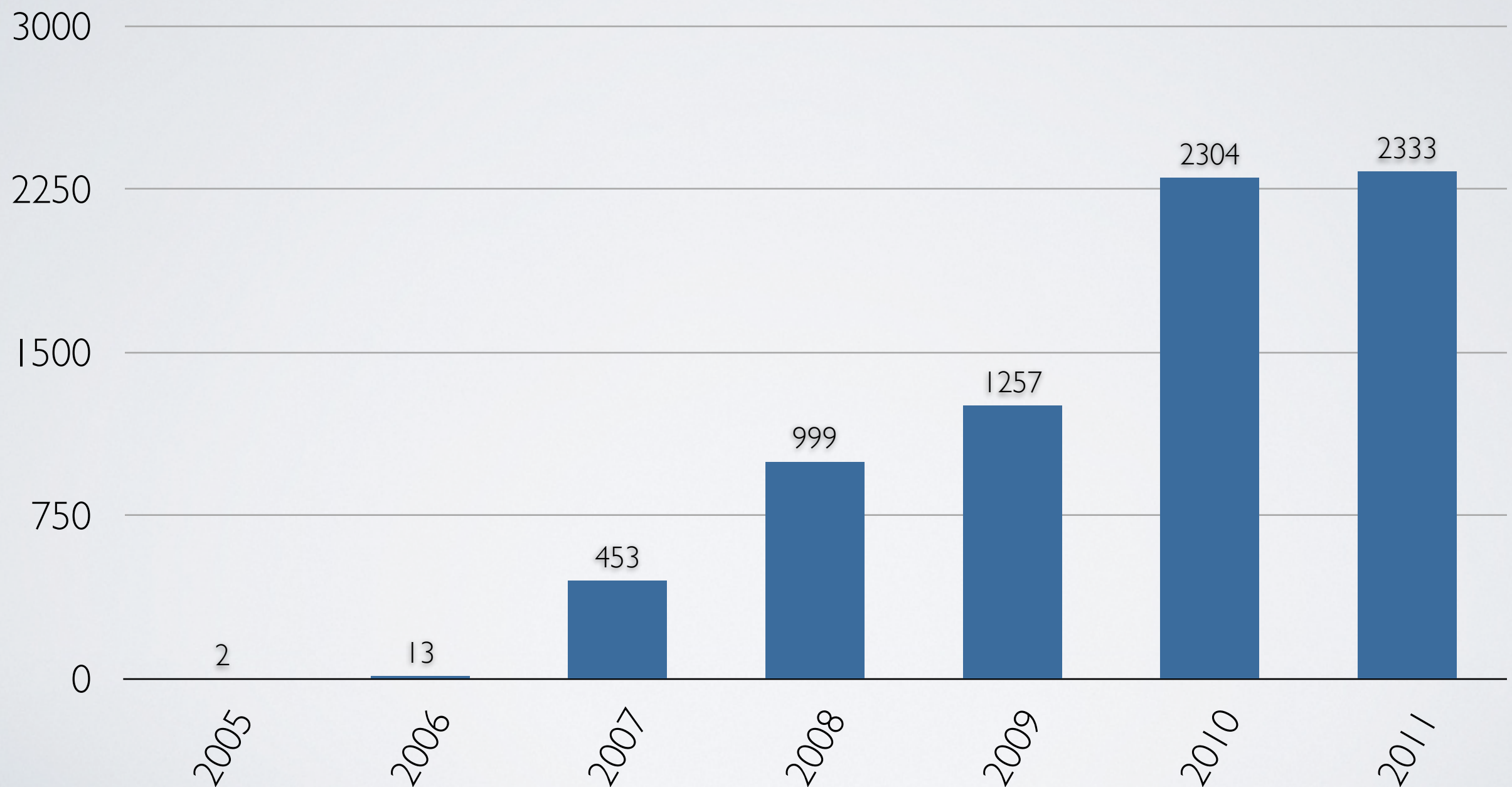
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GWAS

- Human Genome project (2004)
- Genome-wide association studies (GWAS)
 - Find correlations between SNPs and traits (diseases)
 - Case group vs. control group
 - Variance Components & Generalized Linear Mixed Models

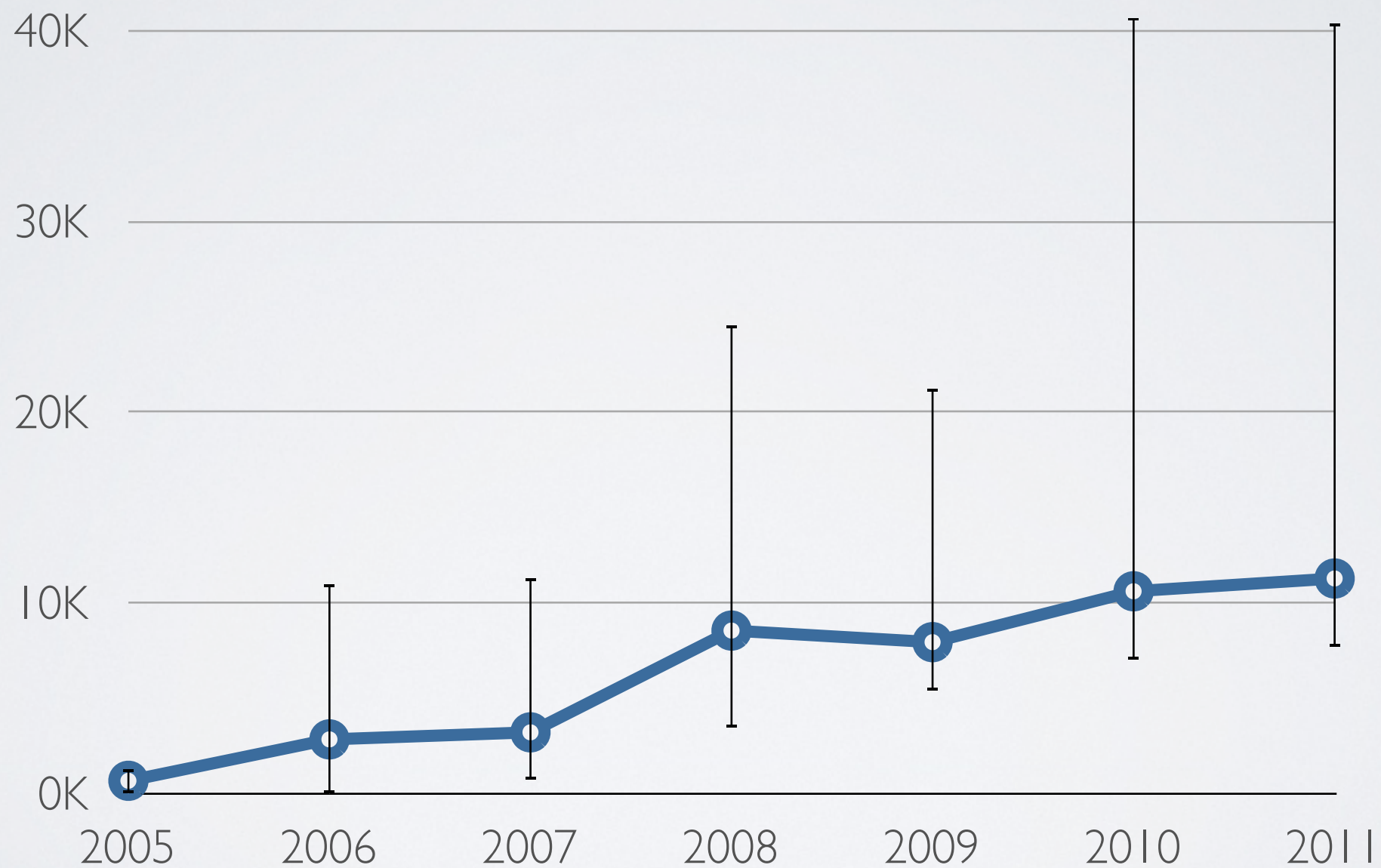
GWAS STATS

of GWAS carried out each year



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Sample size



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#SNPs passing QC



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Largest #SNPs passing QC



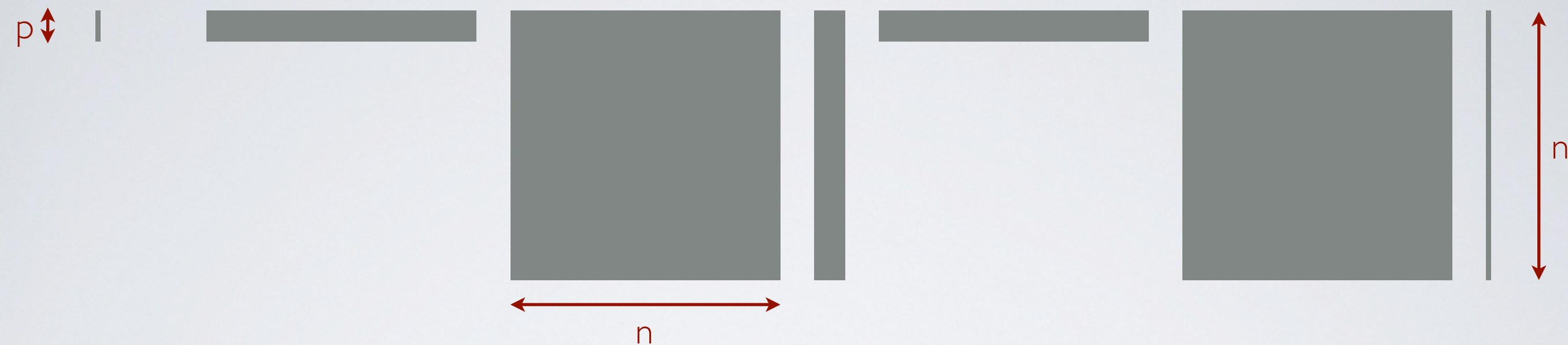
HPC BASICS

- Basic Linear Algebra Subprograms
 - LEGO-like building-blocks of LA
 - Vendor optimized implementations
 - TRSM: solution of multiple triangular systems $TX = Y$
- Linear Algebra PACKage (LAPACK)
 - Higher-level LA algorithms
 - POTRF: Cholesky factorization of a SPD matrix $LL^T = A$

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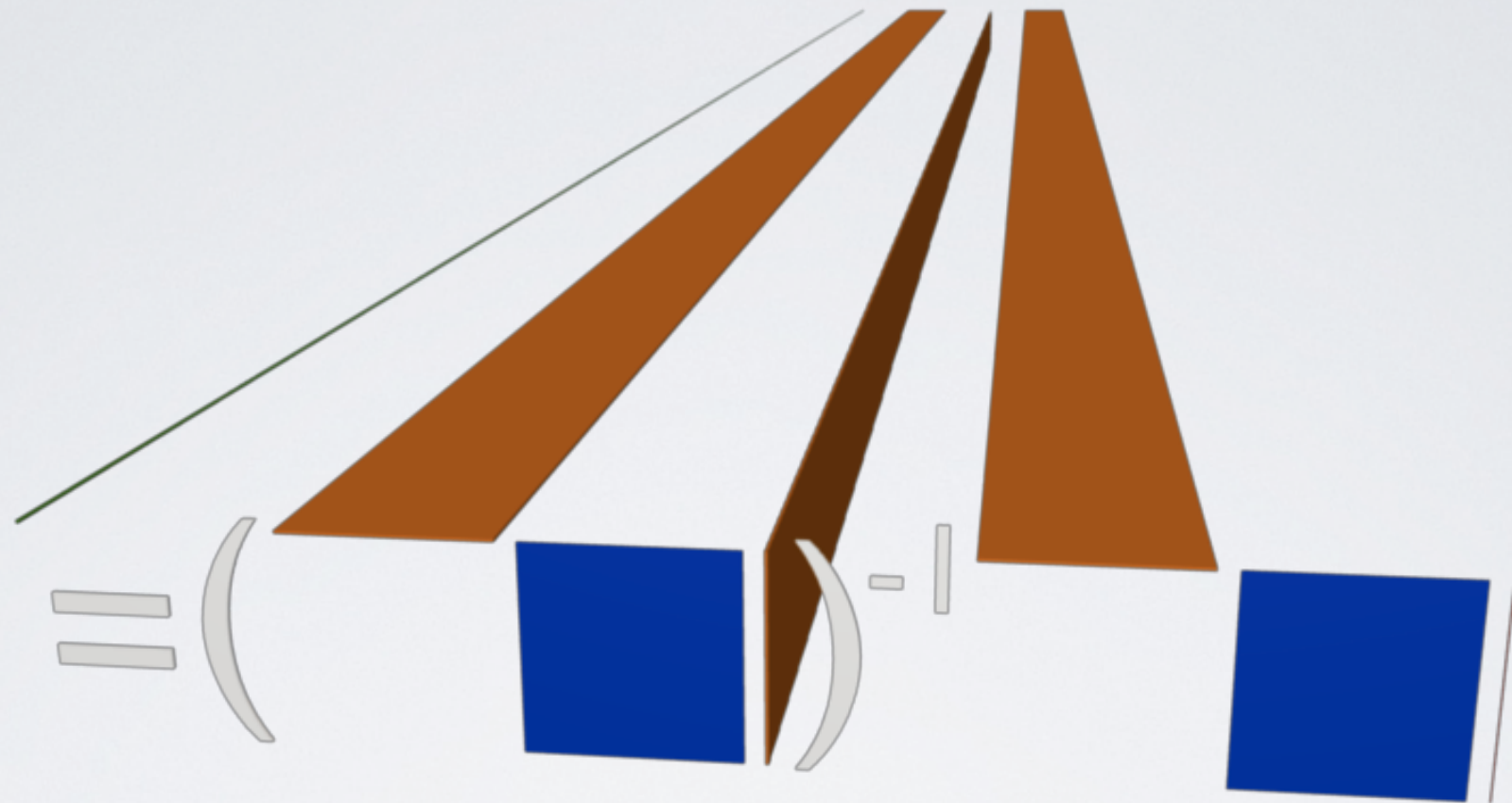


GENOME-WIDE ASSOCIATION STUDIES

lots of GLS because $i = 0..millions$

input	$y \in \mathbb{R}^n$	observations (phenotype)
	$X_i \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}$	genome measurements/covariates
	$M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$	observation dependencies
output	$r_i \in \mathbb{R}^p$	relations between phenotype and genome variations

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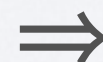


THE NUMBERS

DNA fragments (nucleotides) $m \sim 48 - 250\,000\,000$

samples $n \sim 10\,000$

covariates $p = 20$



$y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 80 MB

$M \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ 800 MB

$r \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times m}$ 7-40 GB

$X \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p \times m}$ 72 TB – 373 TB

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One trsm per iteration step i

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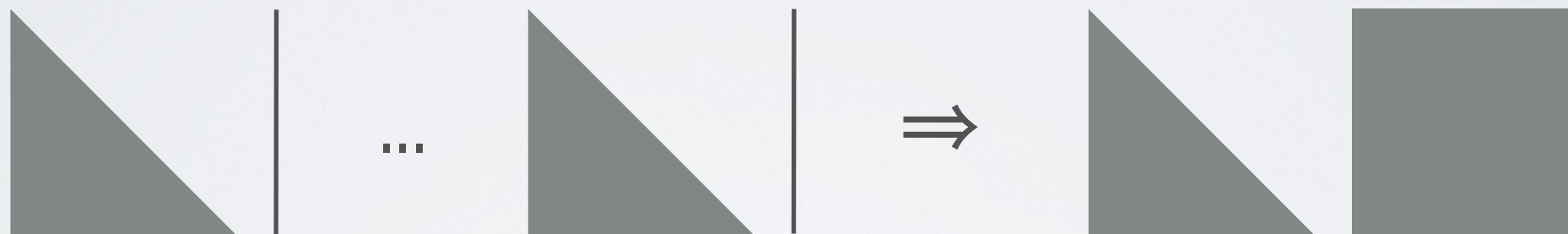
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- Blocking in i
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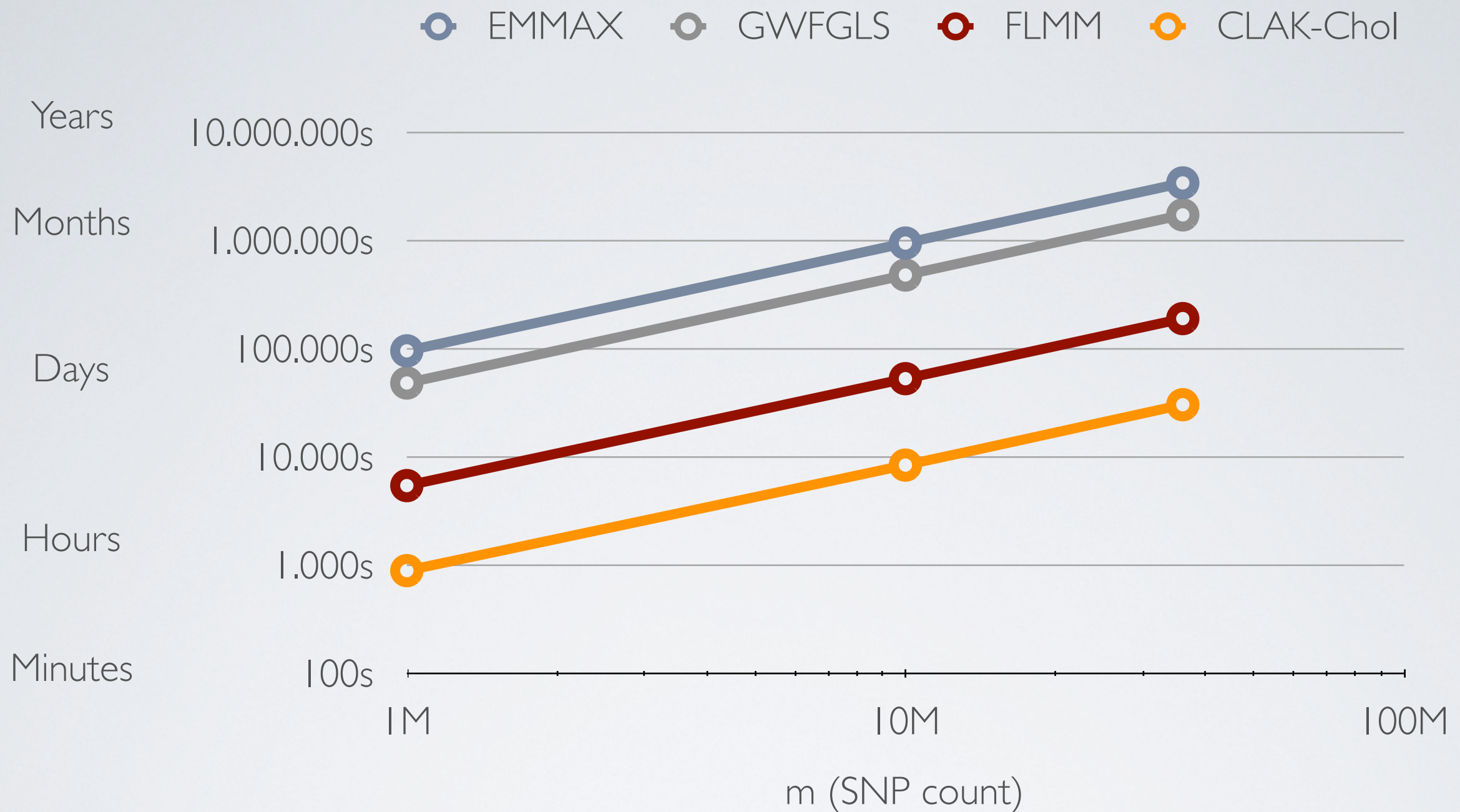


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- Out-of-core algorithm
 - read block $b+1$ while computing block b
 - double-buffering technique necessary



PERFORMANCE

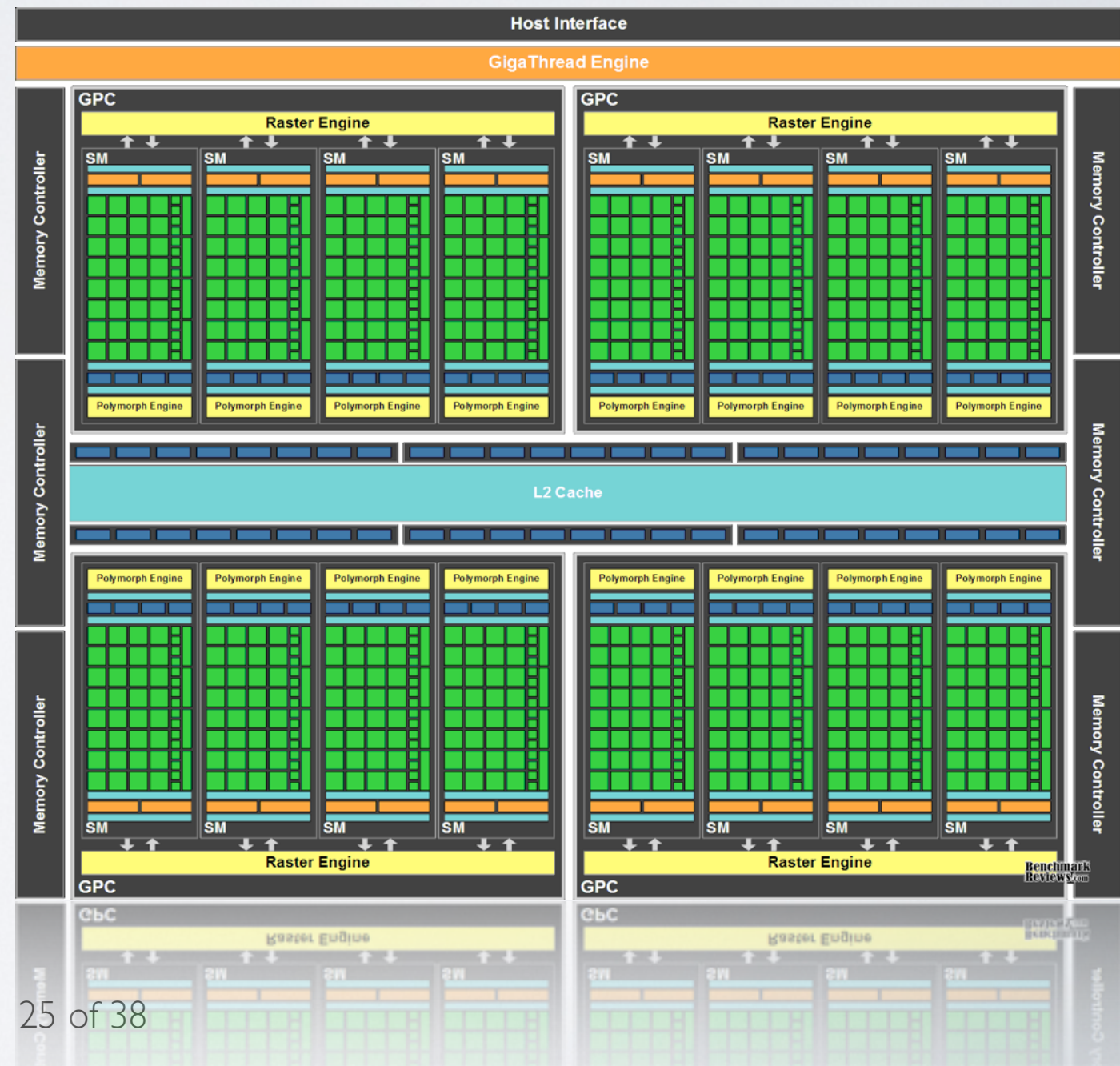
From years/months down to weeks/days

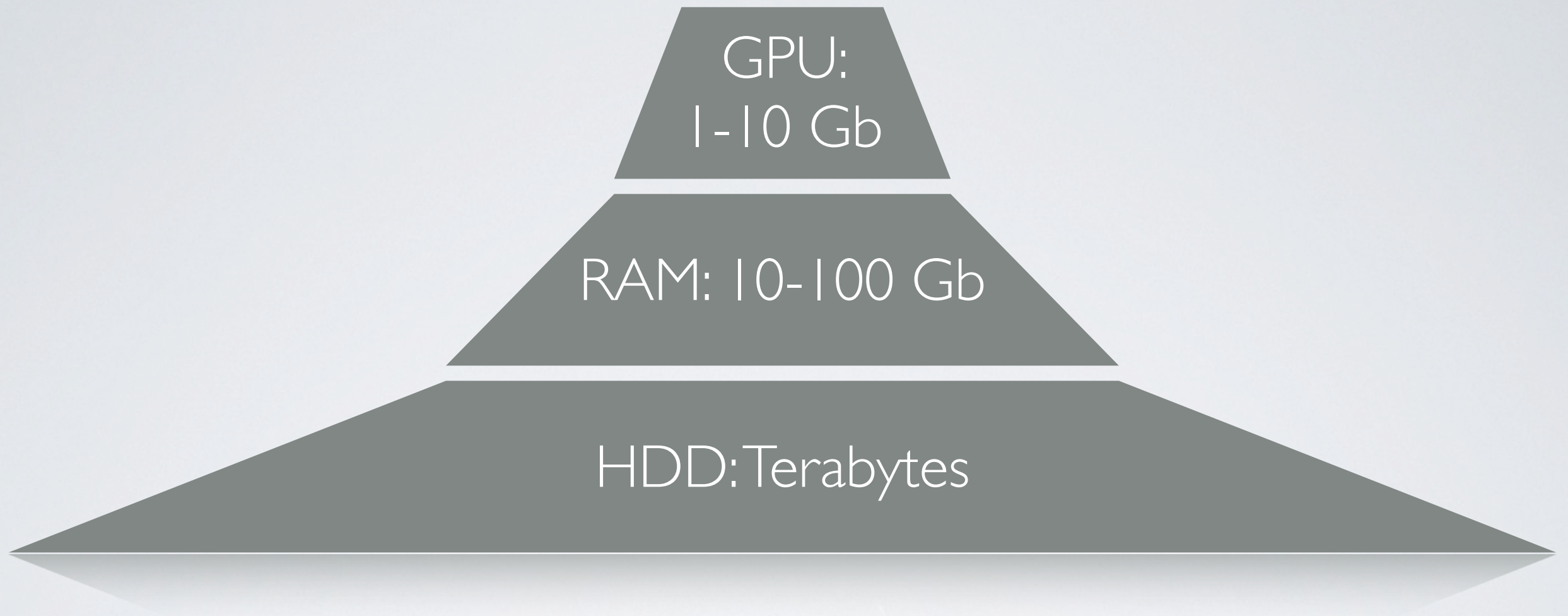
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CAN GPU_s HELP GO FURTHER?

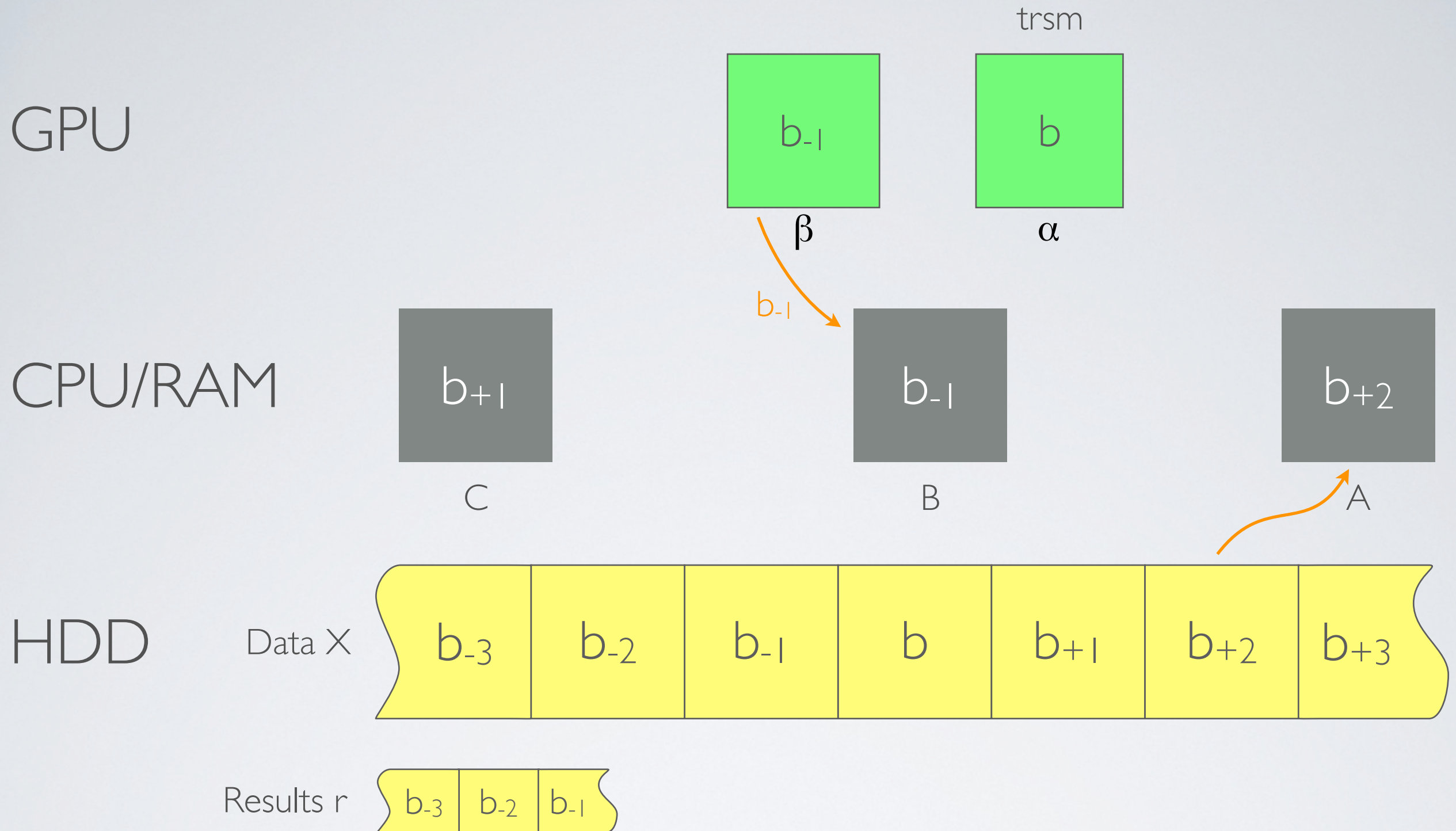
- trsm takes 90-95% of time
 - compute on the GPU
- while GPU computes:
 - CPU computations
 - CPU $\rightleftharpoons$ GPU transfers
- our cluster: nVidia Fermi 





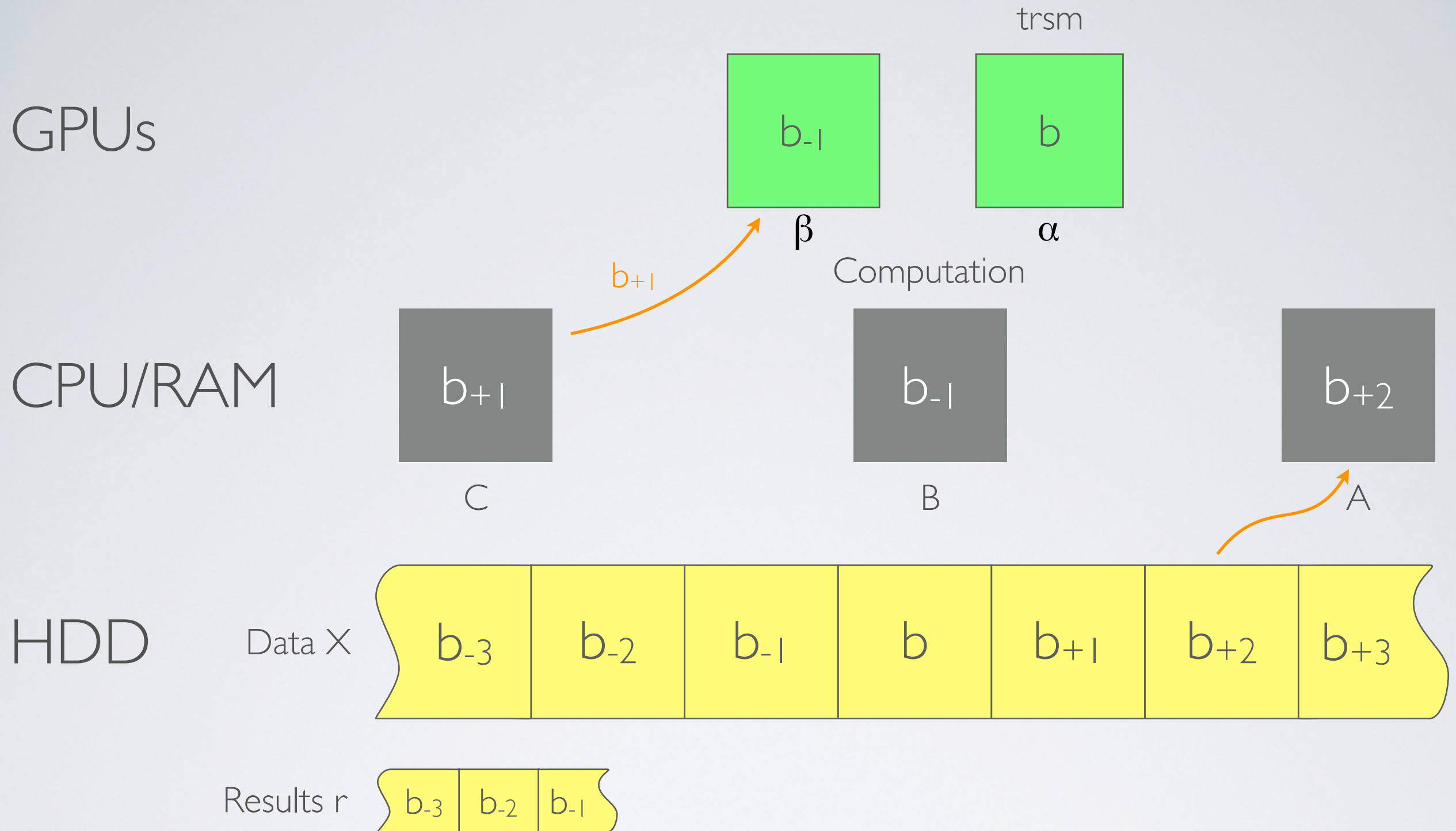
MEMORY PYRAMID

Need for streaming computation
Need for two levels of double-buffering



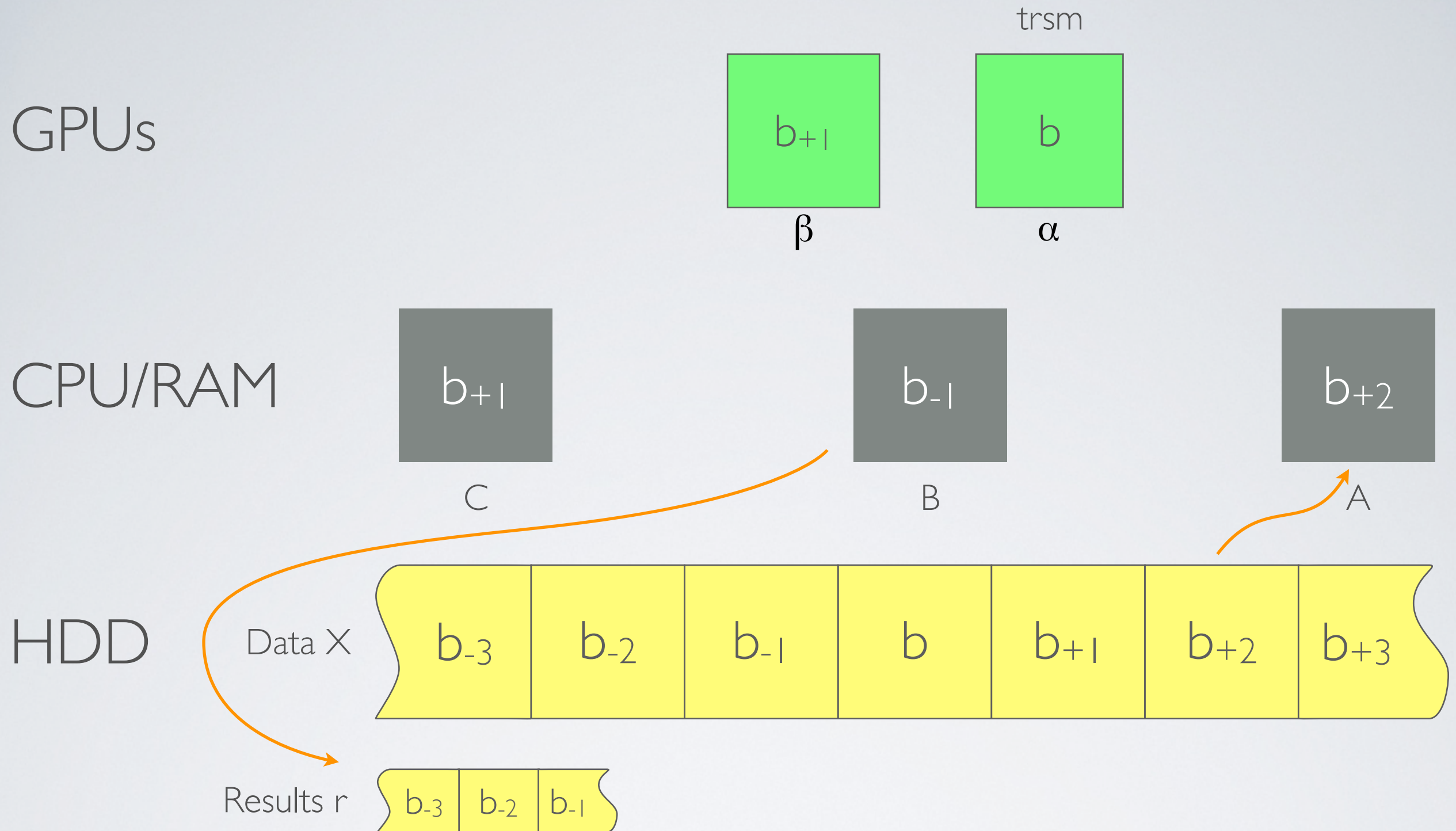
2-LEVEL TRIPLE-DOUBLE-BUFFERING

(I) Retrieve previous results from GPU,
start reading second-next block from HDD



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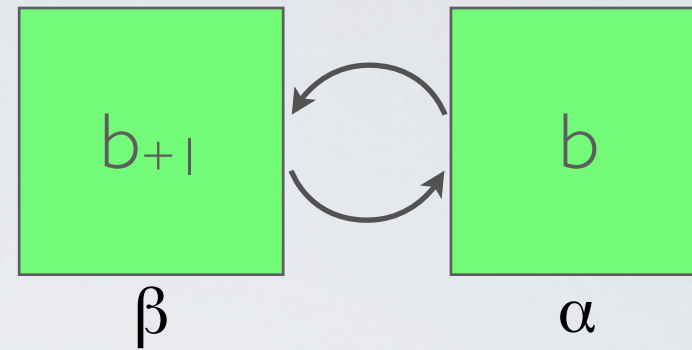
(2) Send next block to GPU, start CPU computation



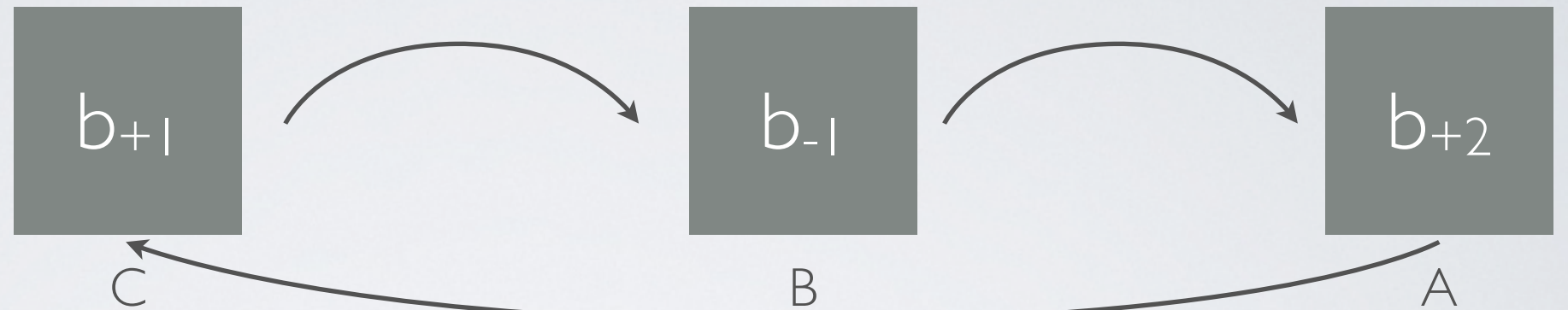
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(3) Write results to disk (fast because small)

GPUs



CPU/RAM

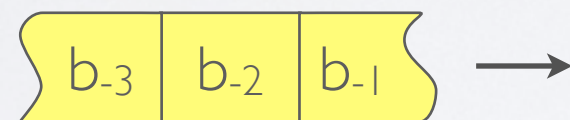


HDD

Data X

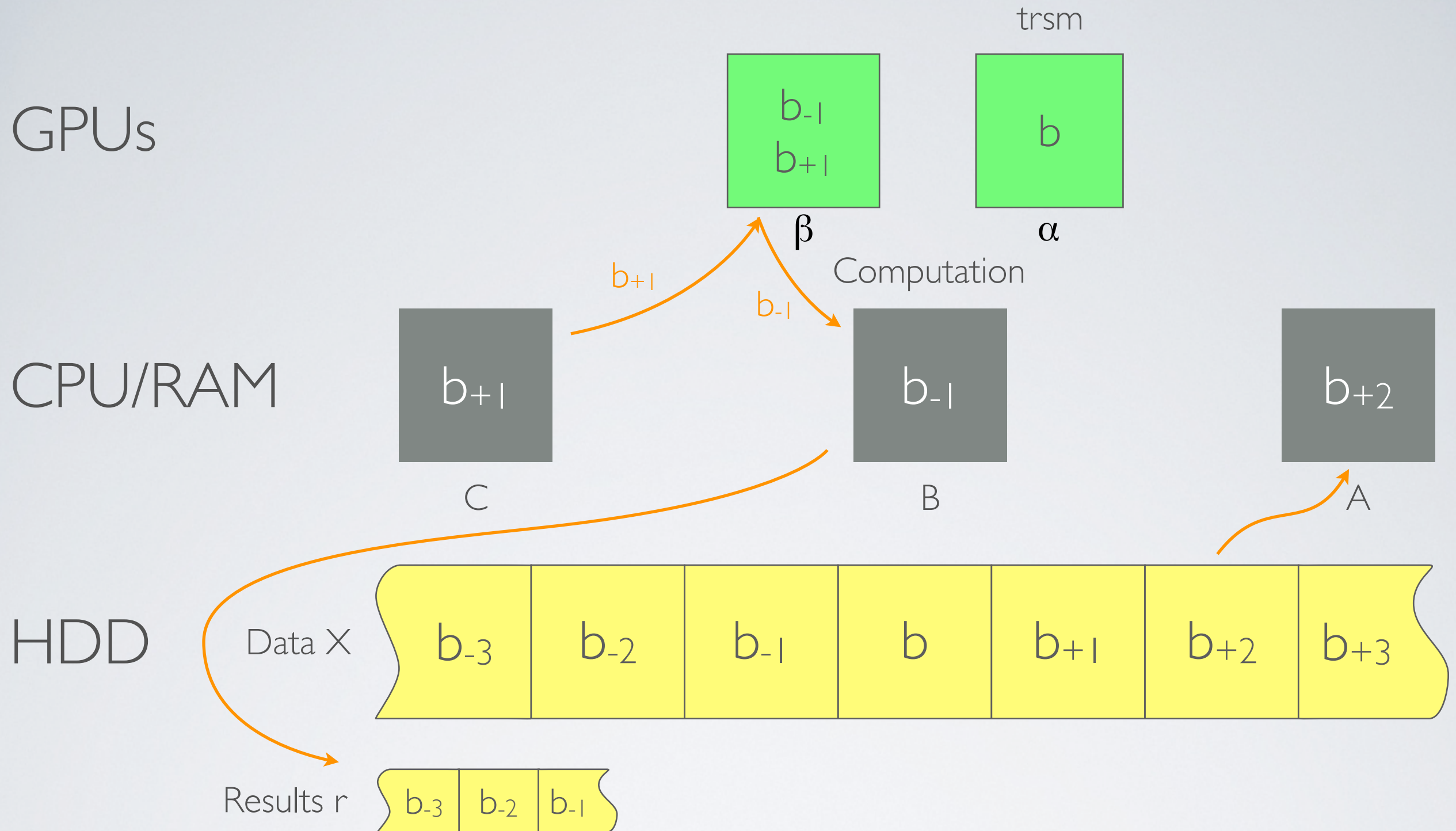


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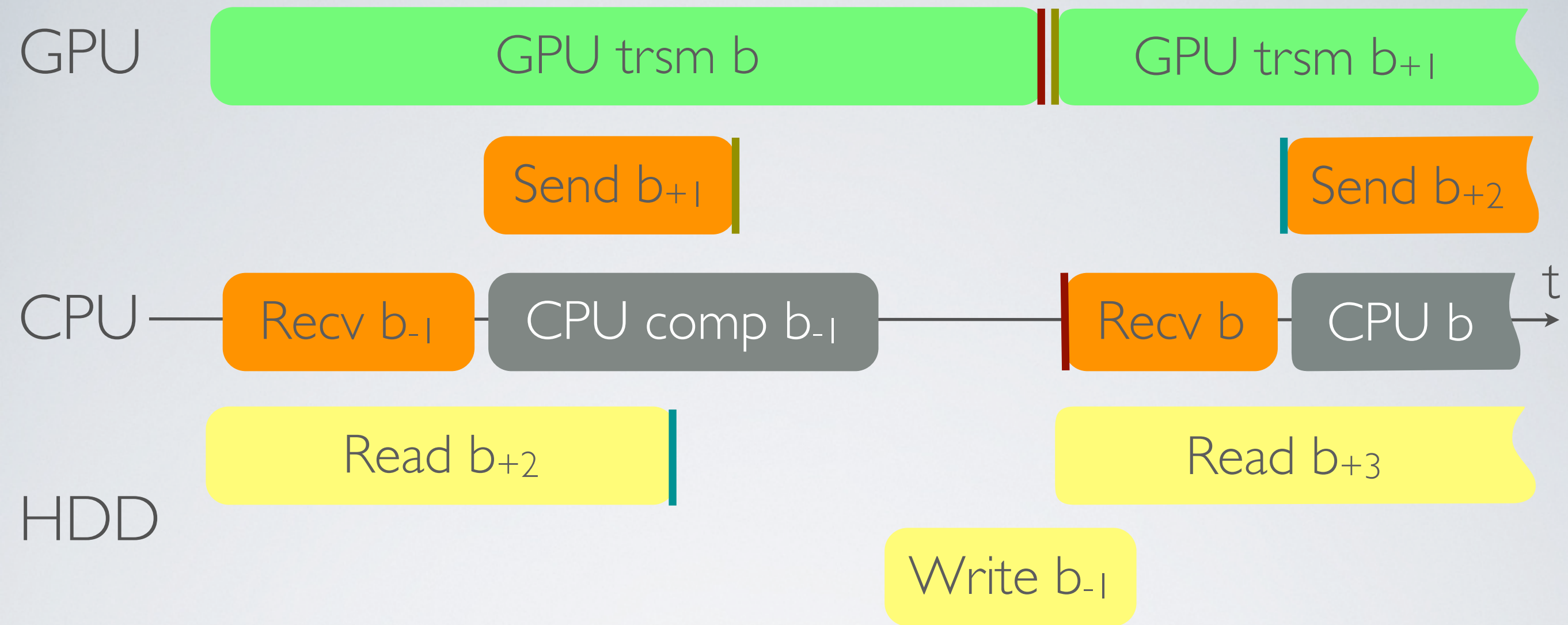
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(4) Rotate buffers, iterate, smile



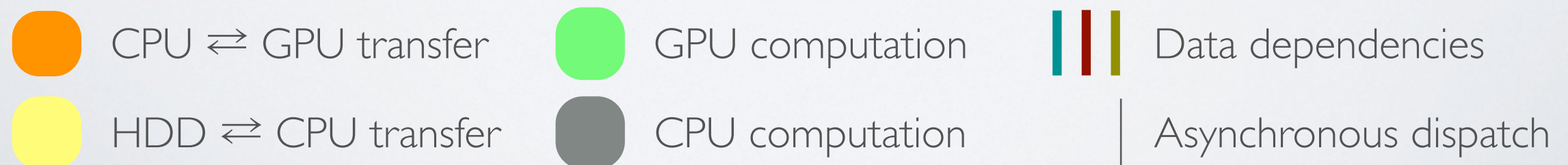
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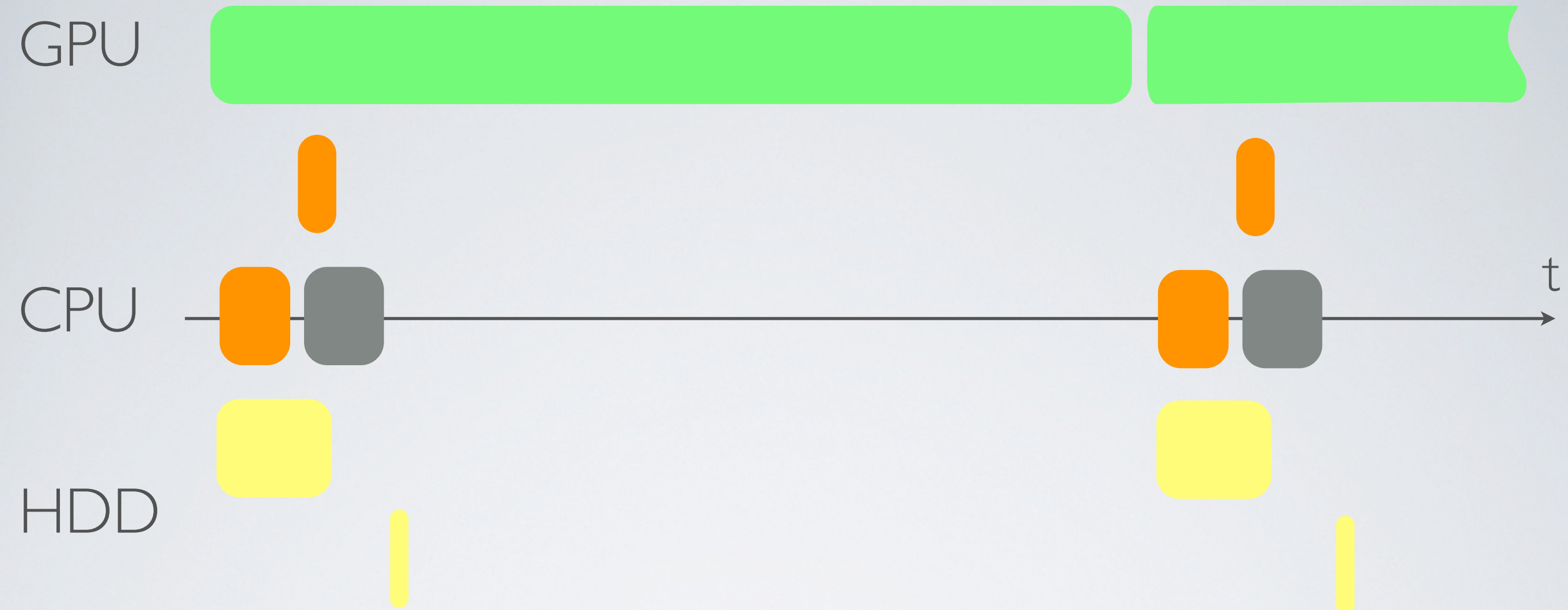
One full iteration



TIMELINE

Parallelism on the vertical axis
Heavy use of asynchronous dispatching



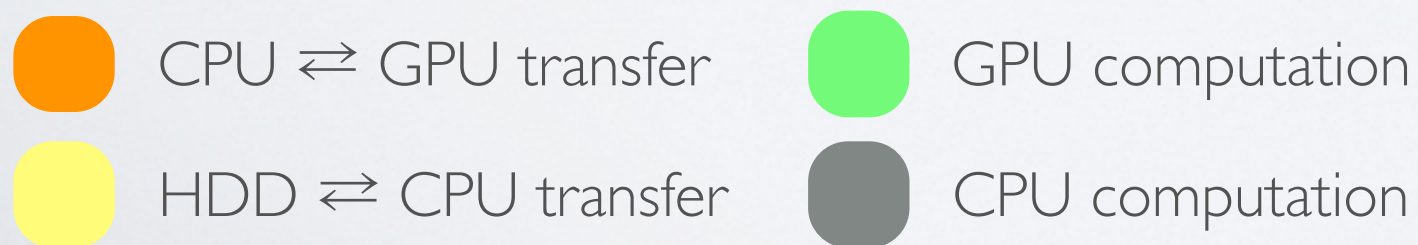


TIMELINE, TO SCALE

problem sizes: $n=10k$, $m=100k$, $\text{block}=10k$

GPU: **2x** nVidia Quadro 6000 (Fermi, 515 GFlops **each**, 6GB memory) = 10.000\$

CPU: 2x Intel Xeon X5650 (6cores, 128 GFlops, 24GB memory) = 2000\$

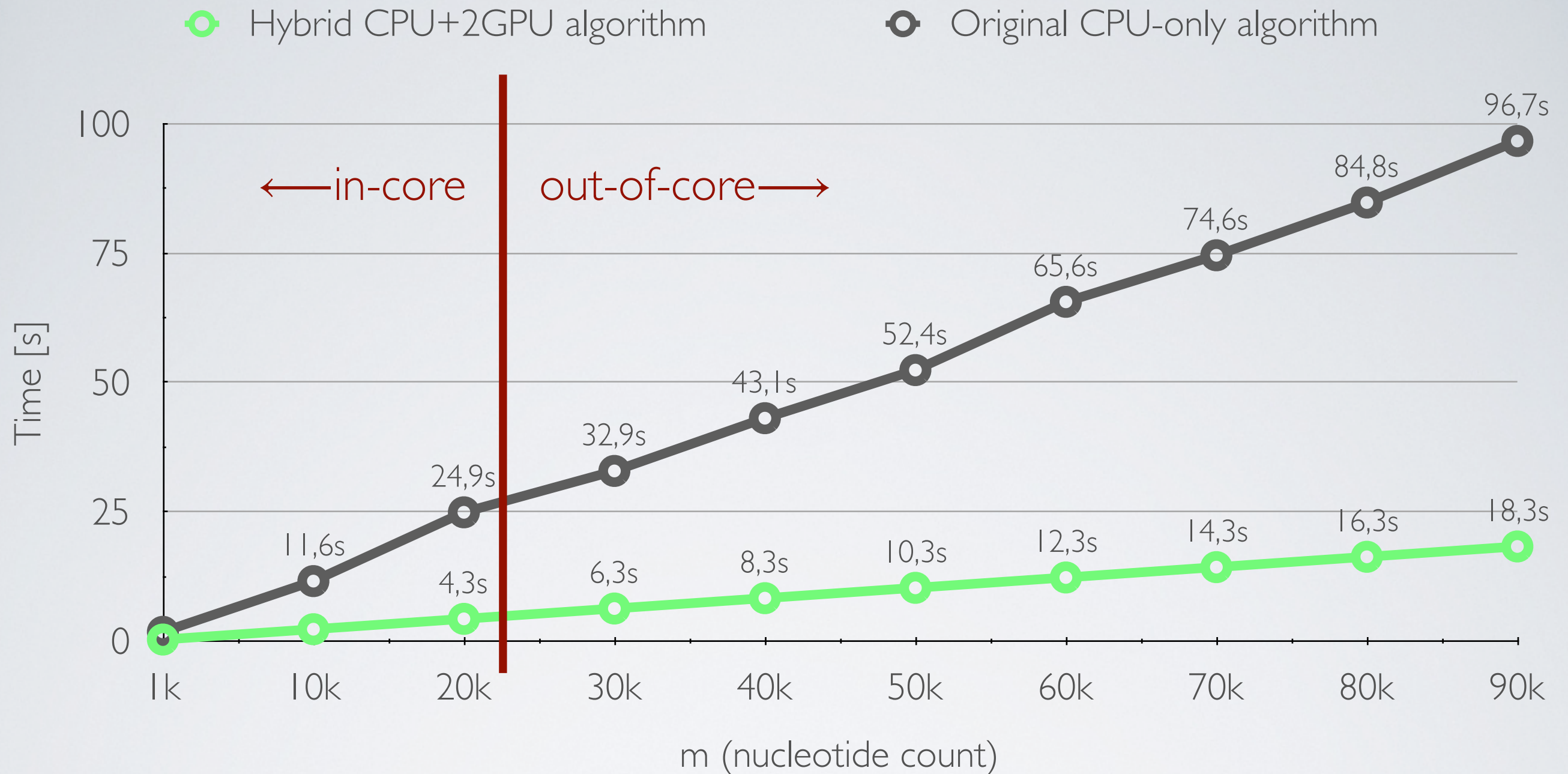


Blas: Intel MKL 10.2

Compiler: icc 12.1

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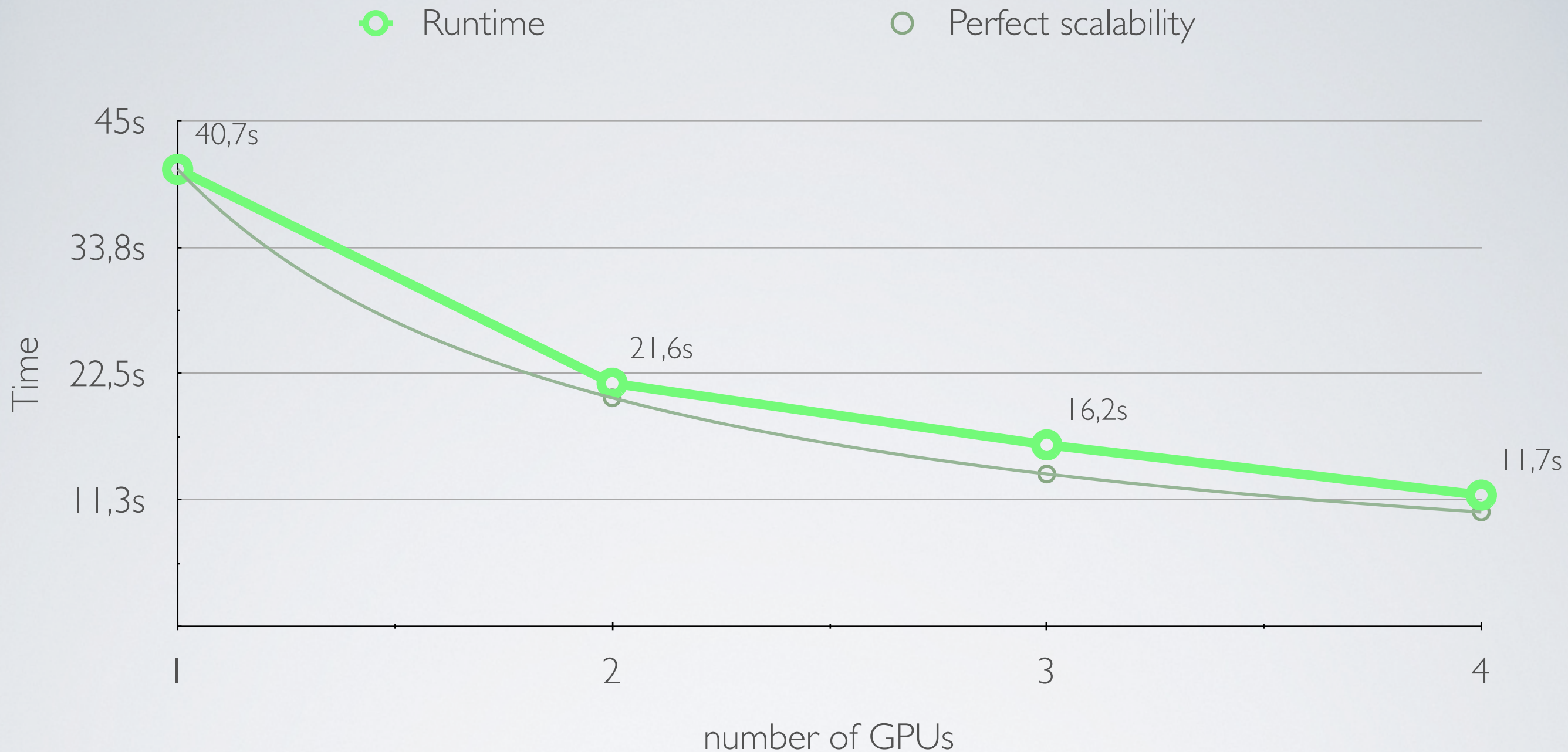
PERFORMANCE

5.2x speedup using 2 GPU
sustained in-core performance when out-of-core



PERFORMANCE

From years/months down to hours



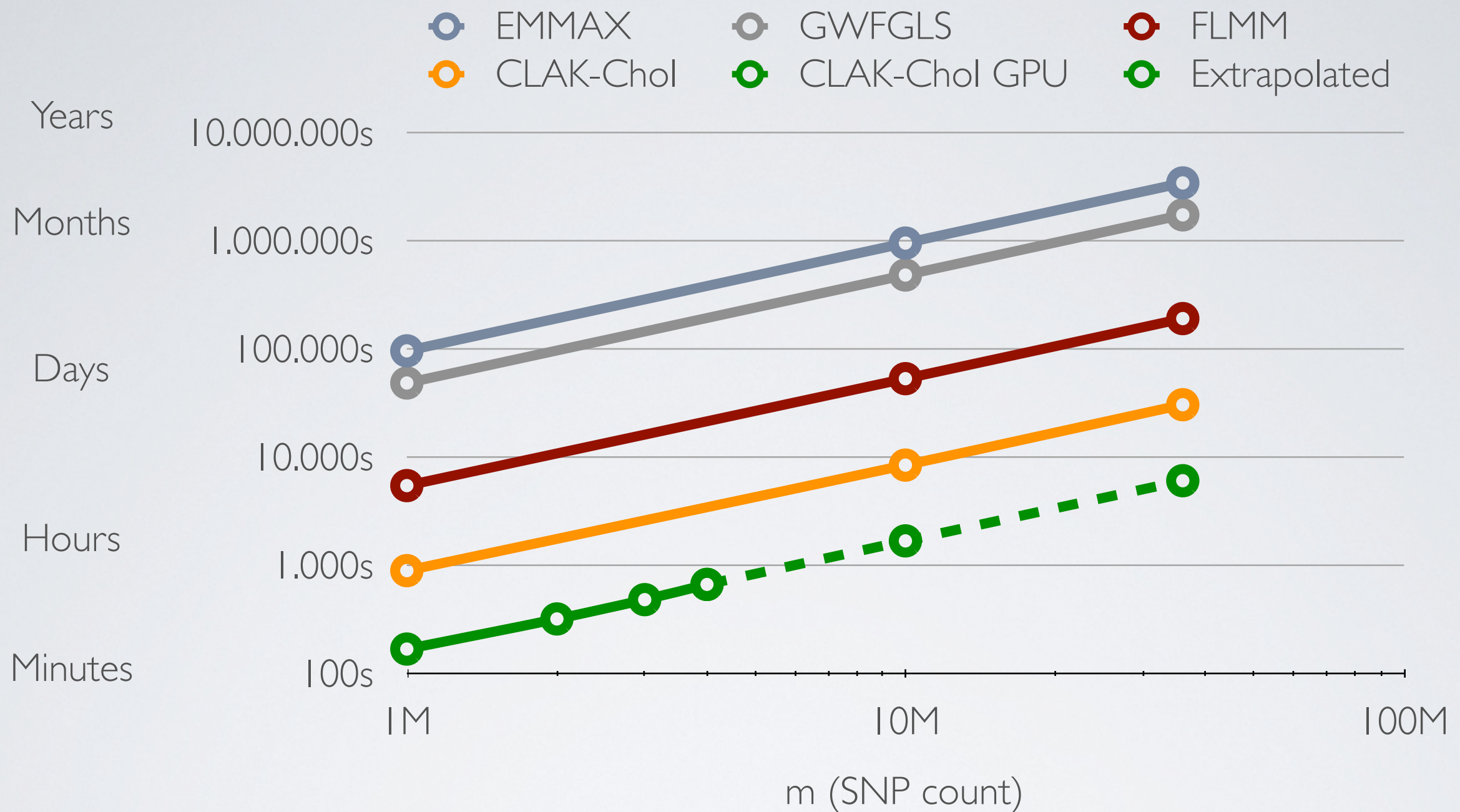
SCALABILITY

#GPUs x2 $\Rightarrow$ time x0.54

Almost perfect

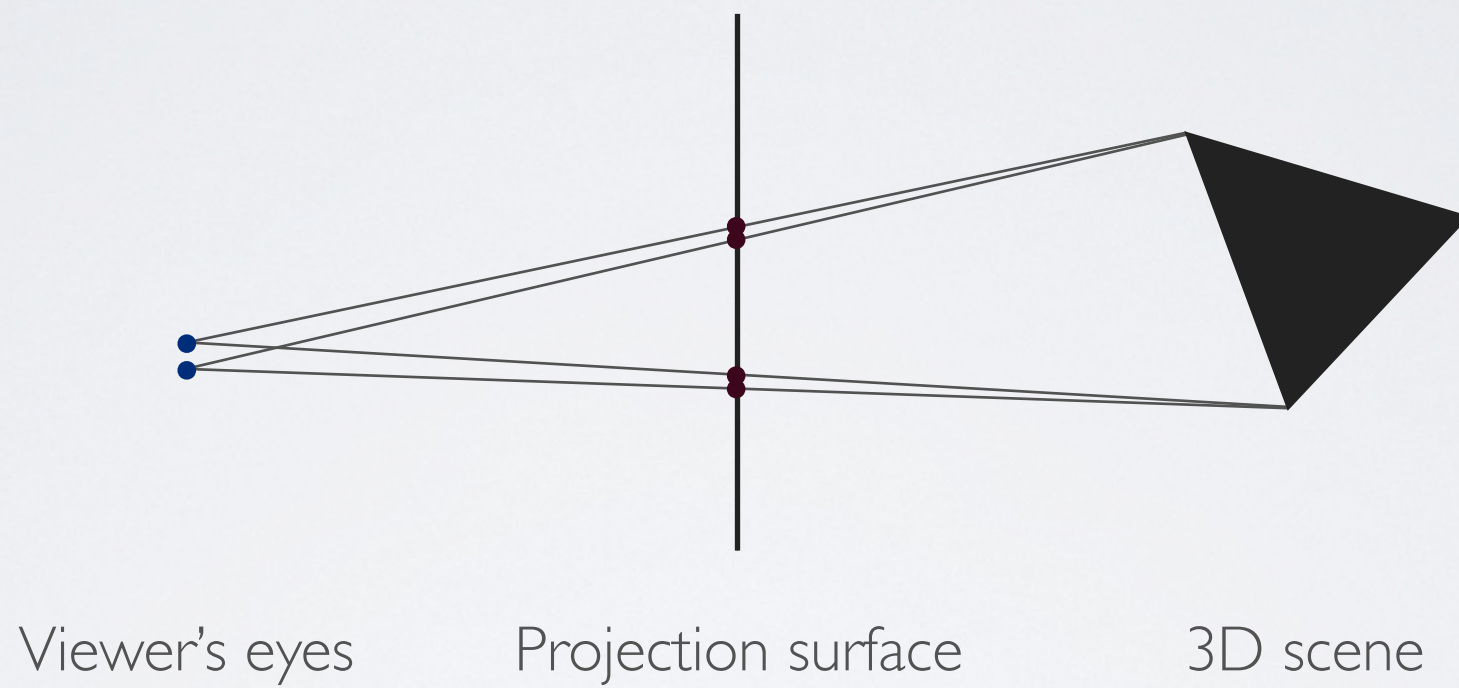
CONCLUSION

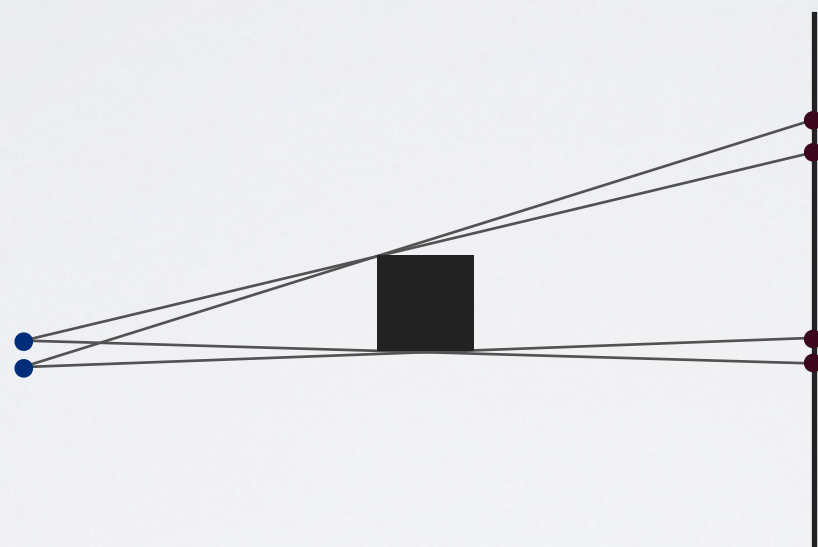
- Don't replace the CPU by GPU
 - Combine them
- Hide data transfer latency by overlapping with computation
 - Double/triple-buffering
 - GPU never stops computing
- GPUs order of magnitude faster?
 - V. Volkov (<http://www.cs.berkeley.edu/~volkov/>)
 - Victor W. Lee et al. («Debunking the 100X GPU vs. CPU Myth: An Evaluation of Throughput Computing on CPU and GPU», 2010)



QUESTIONS?

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Viewer's eyes

3D scene

Projection surface

VISUALIZATION



FUTURE WORK

- Solution for L too big for GPU memory
- Apply similar technique to similar problems
- Extension to multiple phenotypes (y)