

Xuantie-910: Innovating Cloud and Edge Computing by RISC-V



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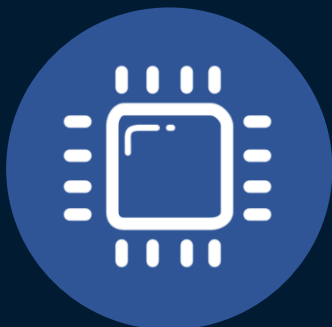
Open Source, Building the Chip Ecosystem in the New AIoT Era

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Building the Chip Infrastructure of the AIoT Era



Infrastructure Provider of the AIoT Era



MCU



Security



Intelligent Computing

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Industry Control



Memory Control

AliOS

Domain Specific SoC Platforms (IPs from Partners)

RISC-V Compatible Processor

Domain Specific Architecture

Xuantie - The Evolving Processor Architecture



First RISC-V
Processor
with HW TEE

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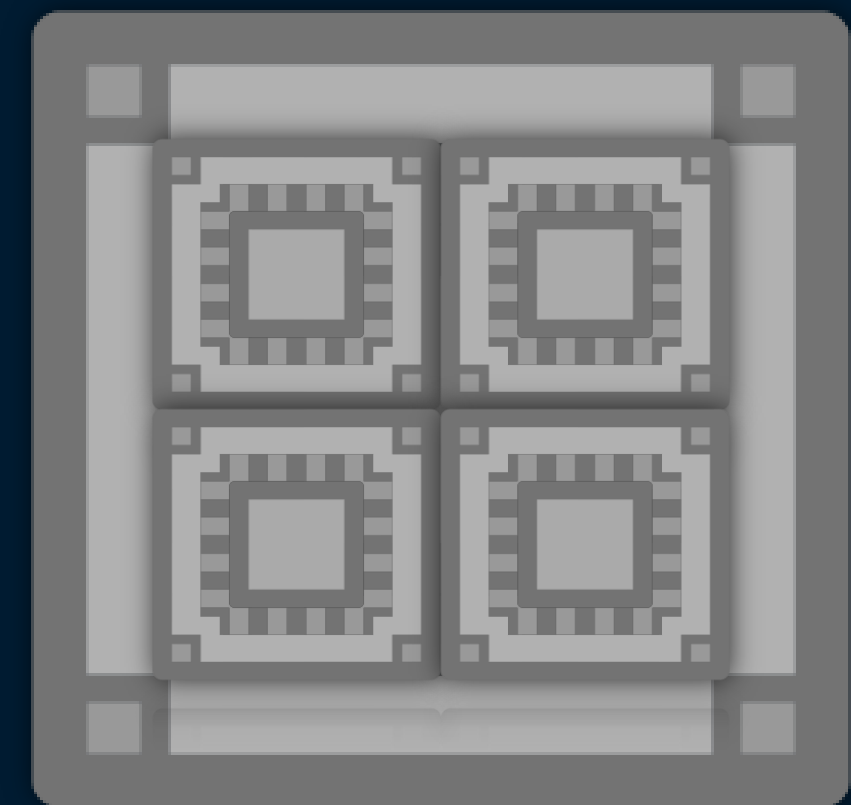
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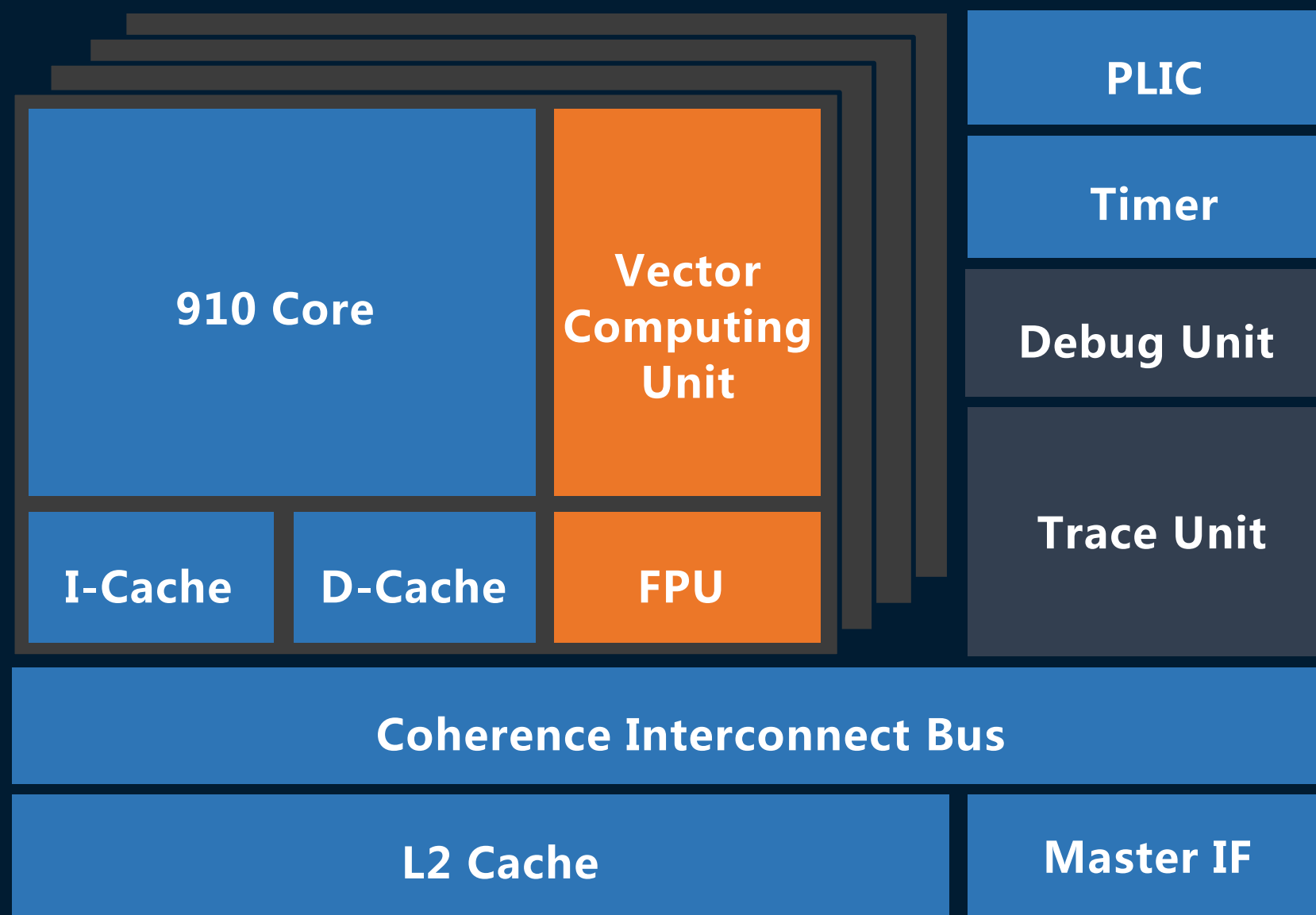


Ultra High
Performance
Processor with AI
Acceleration Engine

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Ultra High Performance Architecture – Xuantie910

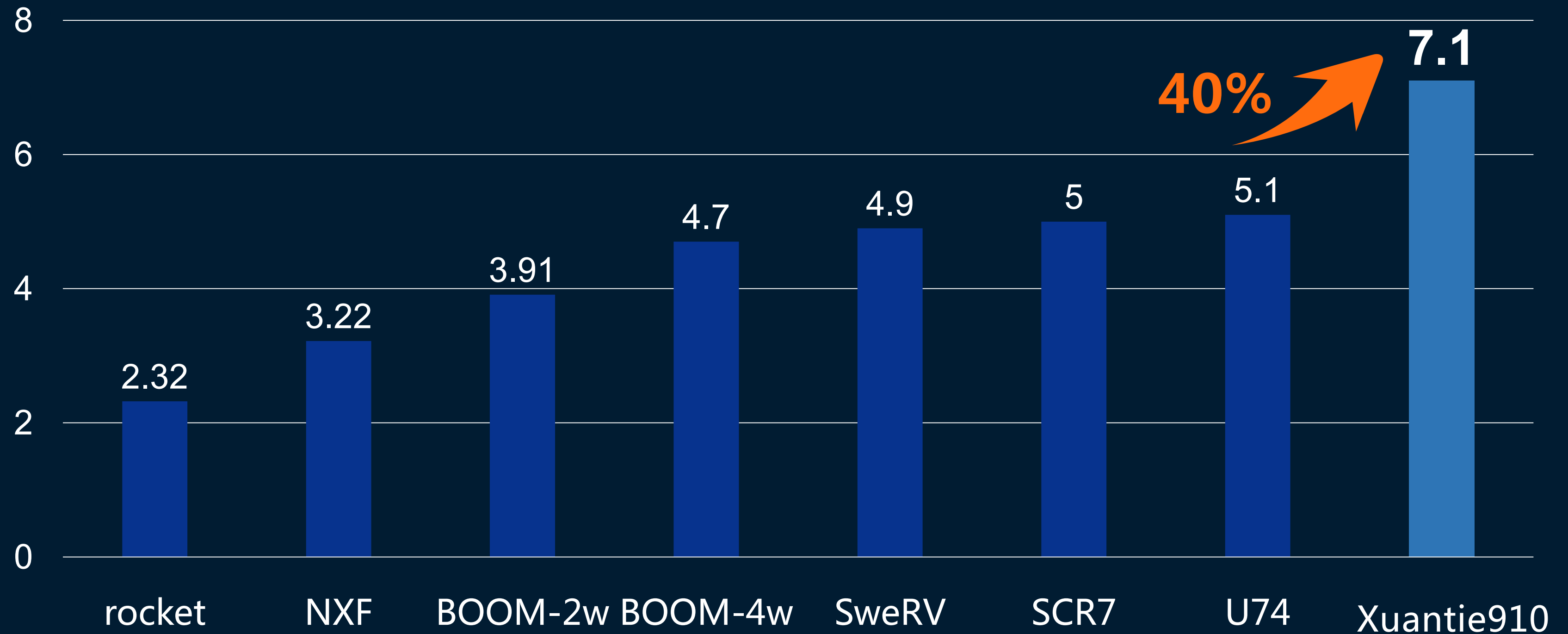


- RISC-V RV64GCV
- Cluster Based Multi-core Architecture
- 1/2/4 Cores per Cluster
- 32KB/64KB L1 D\$; 32KB/64KB L1 I\$
- 64-bit , 12-stage、 Out-of-Order
- 3-decode , 8-issue
- Dual Issue Out-of-Order Memory Access
- High Performance Hybrid Branch Processing
- Multi-mode Dynamic Data Prefetch
- Vector Engine for AI Acceleration
- AI, Edge servers, Industrial control , ADAS

Remarkable Performance



CoreMark/MHz



Data source:
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https://content.riscv.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/04/RISC-V_SweRV_Roadshow-.pdf
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Compatible with RISC-V Specification



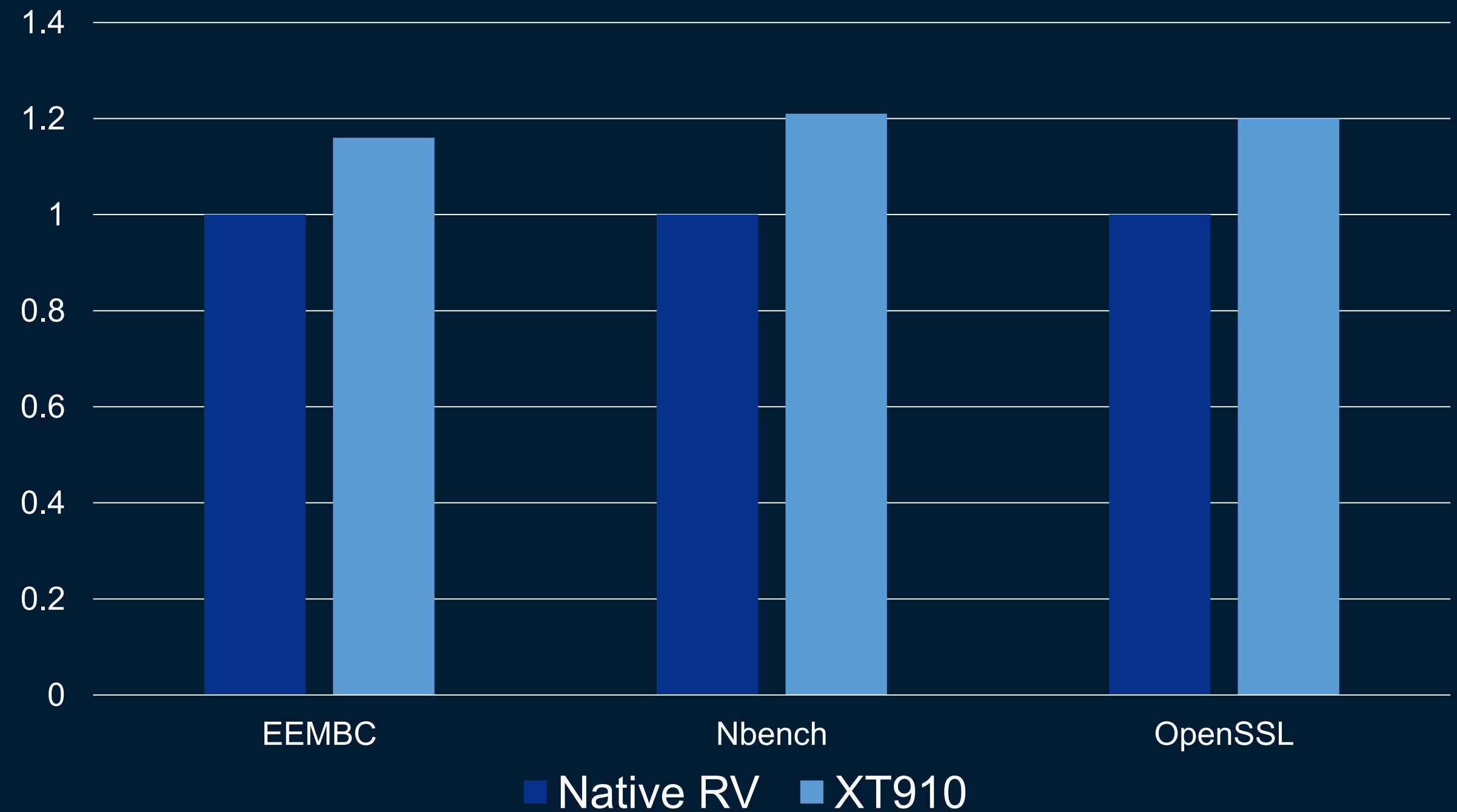
ISA	RV64GCV
Vector	RISC-V 0.7.1 Vector Extension FP16/32/64, INT8/16/32/64
Privilege Mode	Machine + Supervisor + User
Memory Management	Sv39 MMU + 8/16 PMP
Interrupt Controller	Clint + PLIC

Extended Enhancement - RISC-V Turbo



RISC-V Turbo

- **Computing**
 - **Bit operation**
 - **Memory access**
 - **Multi-core synchronization**
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- **Memory management**
 - **Cache、TLB**



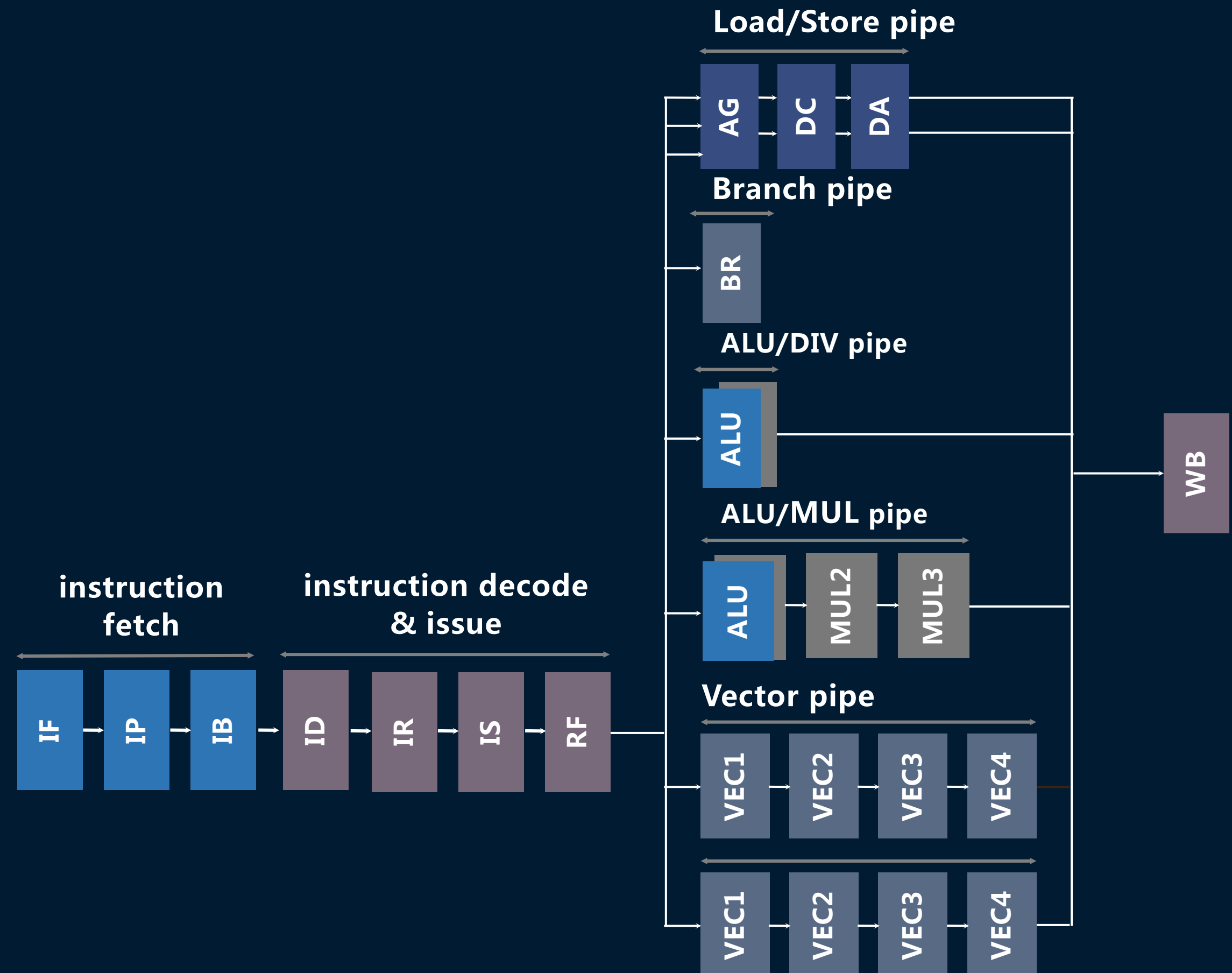
Deep Superscalar Out-of-Order Pipeline

- **Front-End**

- Fetch 8 Instructions/cycle
- Decode 3 Instructions/cycle
- Issue 8 Instructions/cycle

- **Back-End**

- Out-of-Order Memory Access
- Dedicated Branch Processing
- Out-of-Order Vector Computing



Instruction Fetch Unit with Hybrid Prediction

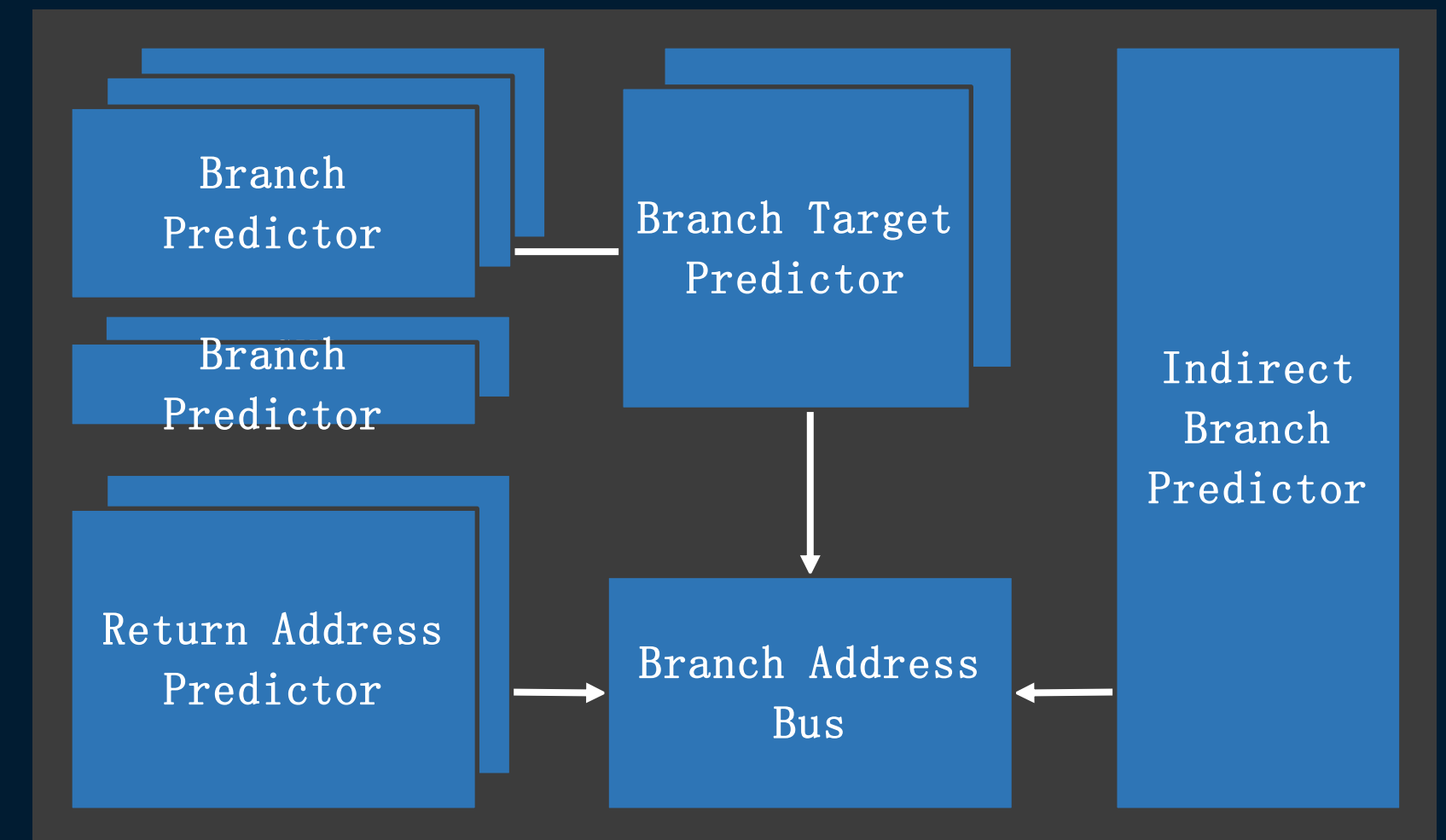


- **Hybrid Multi-mode Branch Prediction**

- Branch Direction Prediction
- Branch Target Prediction
- Return Address Prediction
- Indirect Branch Prediction

- **High-bandwidth Parallel Fetch**

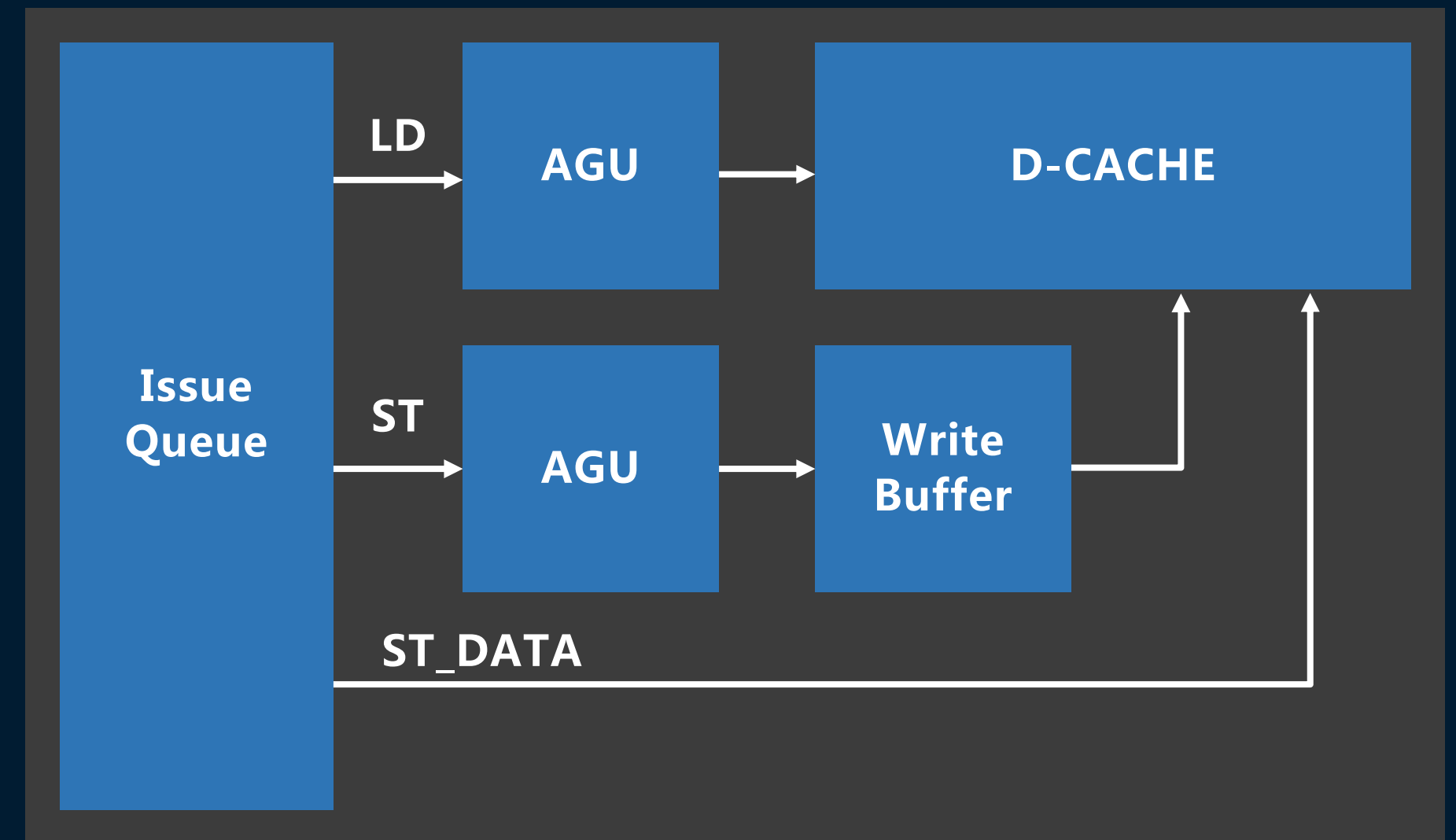
- 128-bit Fetch
- Up to 8 Instructions Packaged in Parallel
- Instruction Cache Way Prediction
- Loop Acceleration



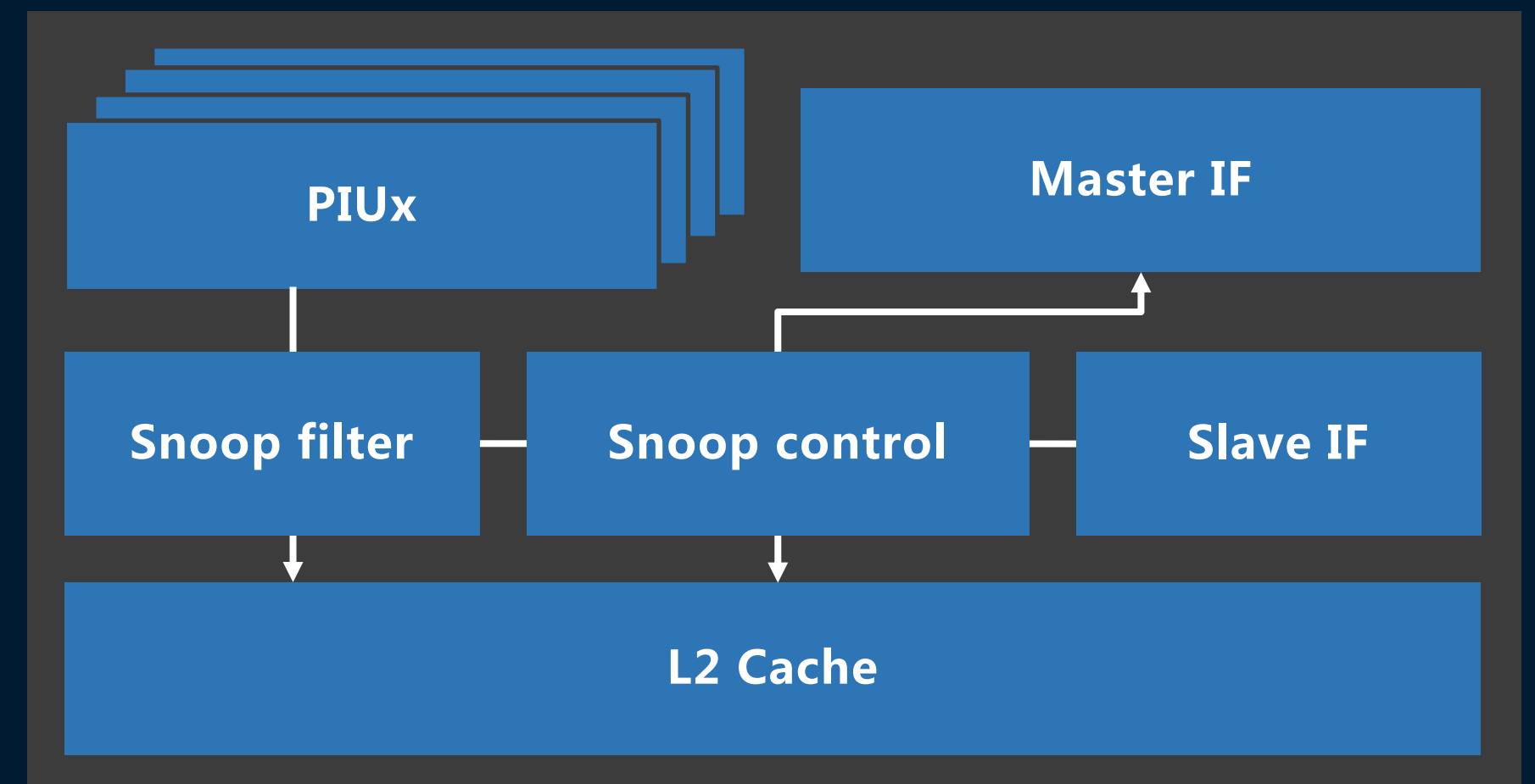
Dual Issue Out-of-Order Load Store Unit



- **Out-of-Order Dual Issue**
 - Load/store Address Pipeline
 - Independent Store Data Pipeline
 - Speculation Fail Prediction
- **Load/store Fast Complete**
 - 3 cycle Load-to-Use
 - 1 cycle Store Execution
- **Powerful Prefetching Capabilities**
 - Multi-mode and Multi-stream
 - Both Virtual and Physical Address Prefetching
 - Configurable Prefetch Capacity



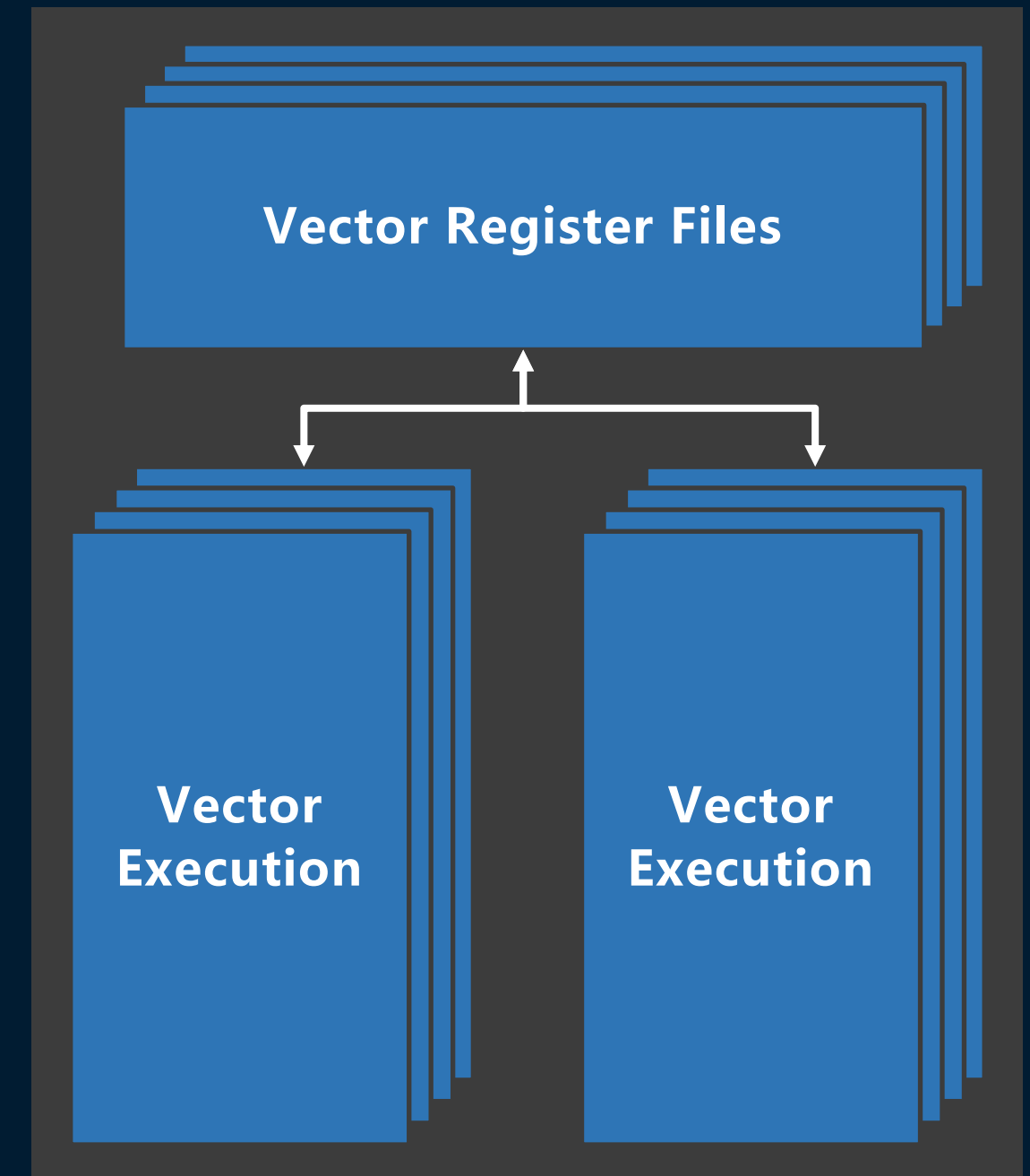
- Decoupled Processor Interface Units (PIUx)
- MOESI Coherence Protocol
- Directory-based Architecture
- Snoop Filter Supported
- Configurable L2 Cache , up to 8MB
- ECC Supported



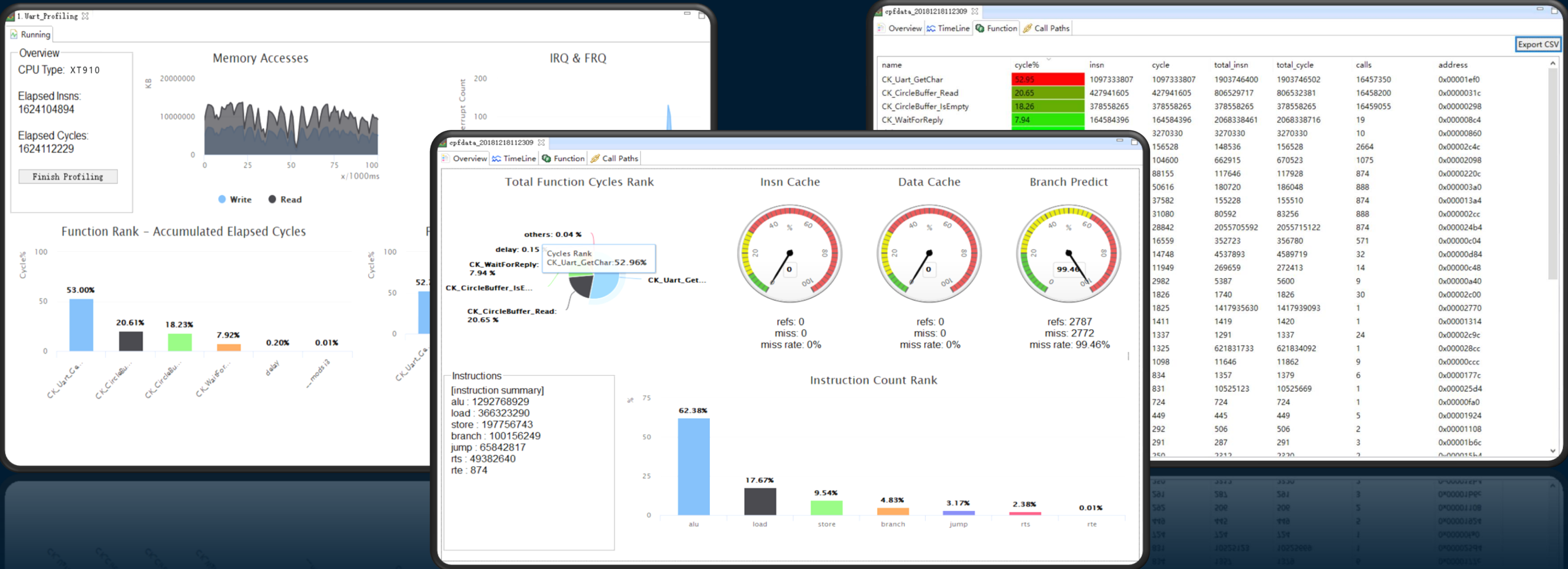
AI Optimized Vector Computing Engine



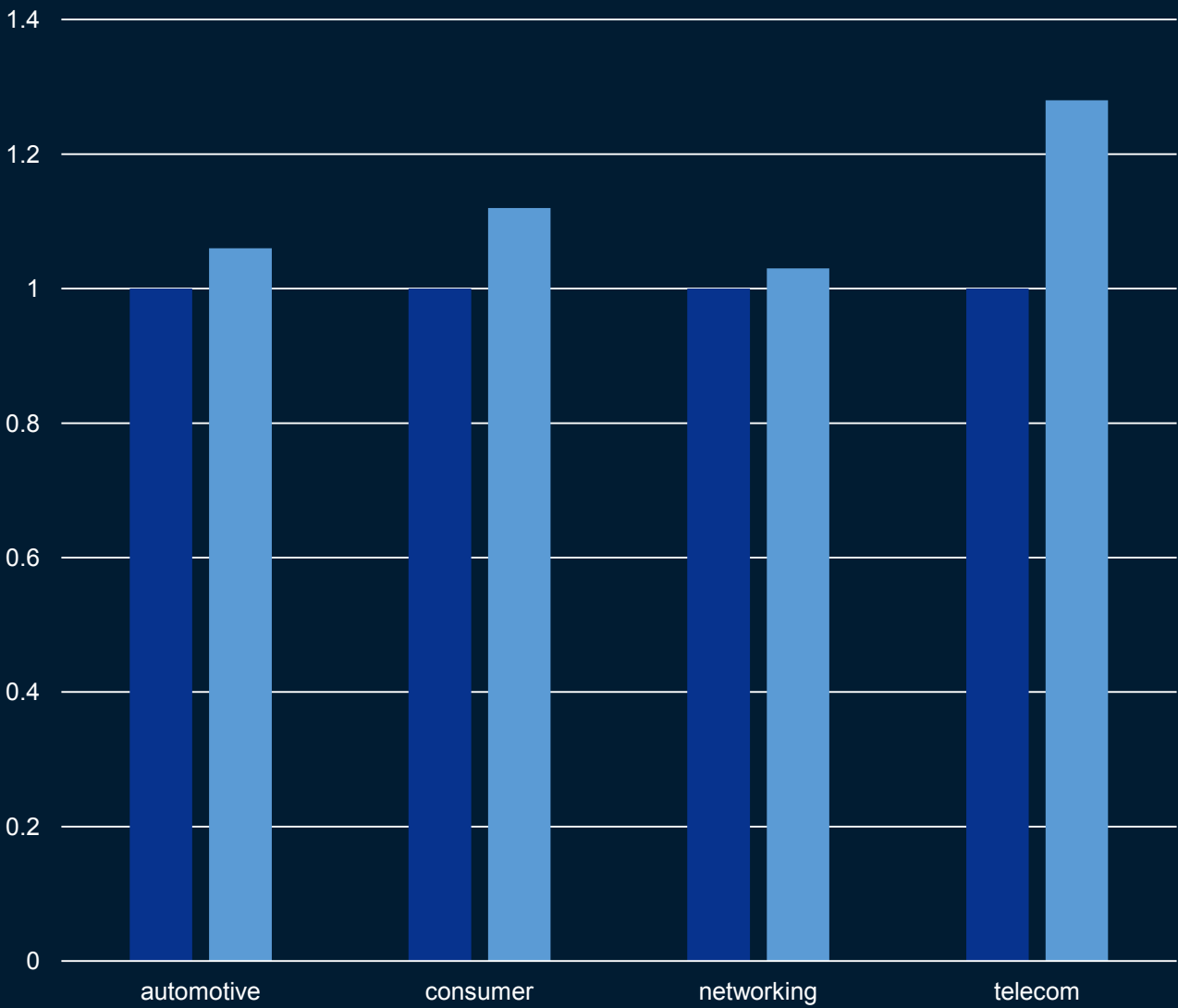
- **Compatible with RISC-V 0.7.1 Vector Extension**
- **Supports FP16/32/64, INT8/16/32/64**
- **256-Bit Operation Width, VL = 128 and 2 pipelines**
- **Two 128-Bit Vector ALU Ops per Cycle**
- **One 128-Bit Vector Load and One 128-bit Vector Store per Cycle**
- **Direct Access to L1\$ on Vector Load and Vector Store**
- **Dual-issue Out-of-Order Vector Execution Pipeline**
- **More than 300GFLOPS of FP16 Computing Power per Cluster**
(32 FLOPS/core/cycle x 2.5 GHz x 4 Cores)
- **Half of FP16 computing power when widening to FP32**



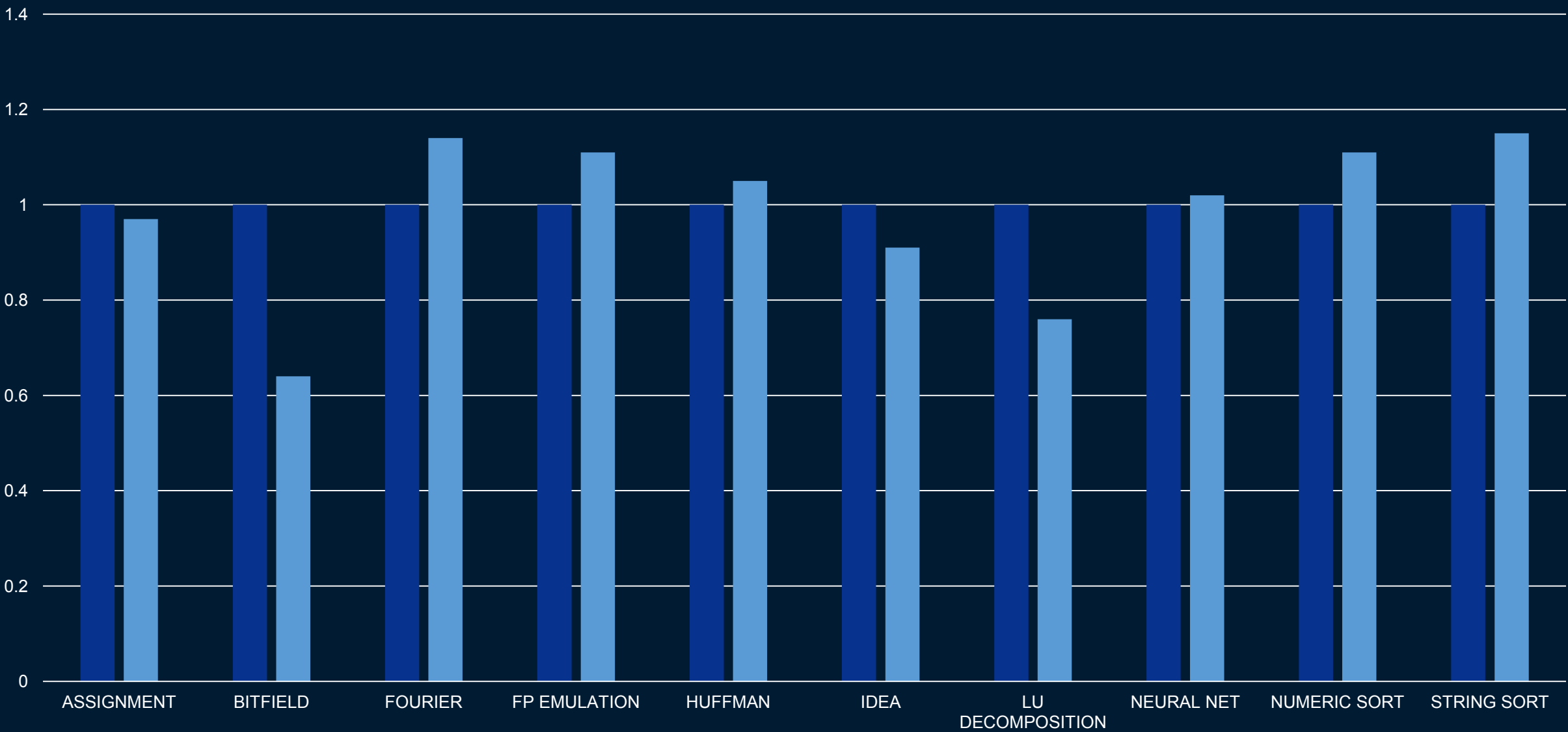
Efficient Profiling Engine



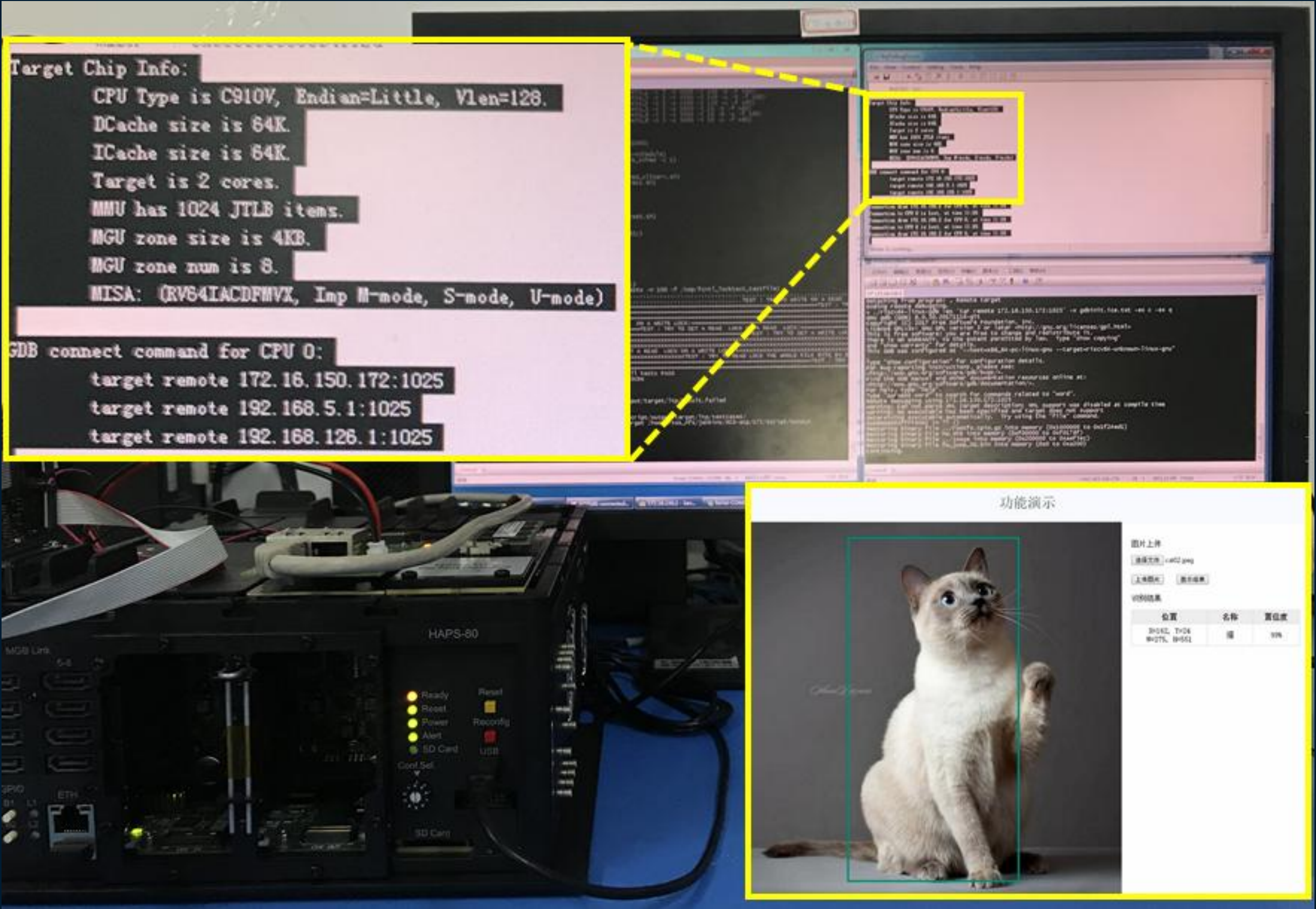
Experimental Results



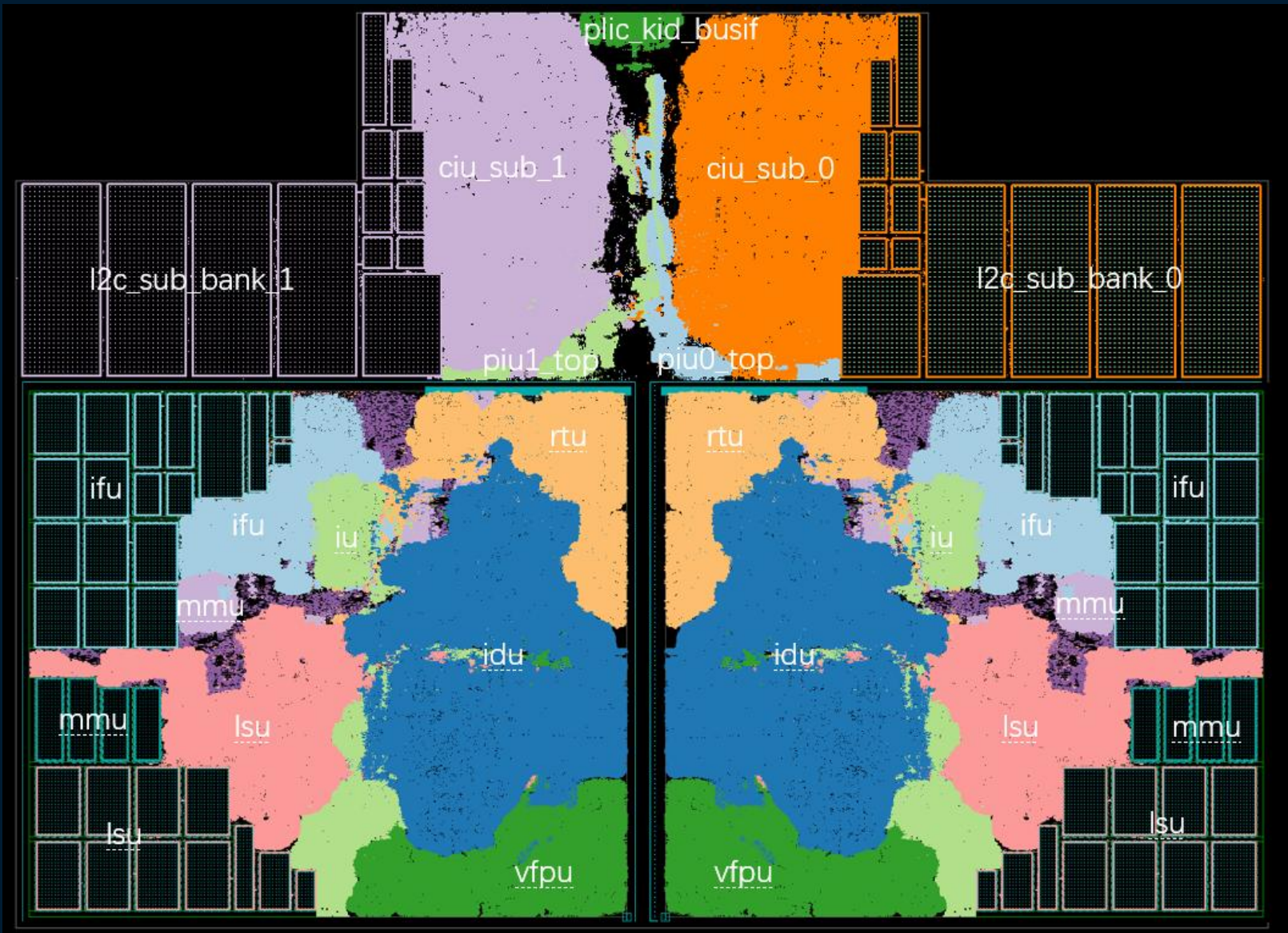
EEMBC



nBench



ASIC Implementation

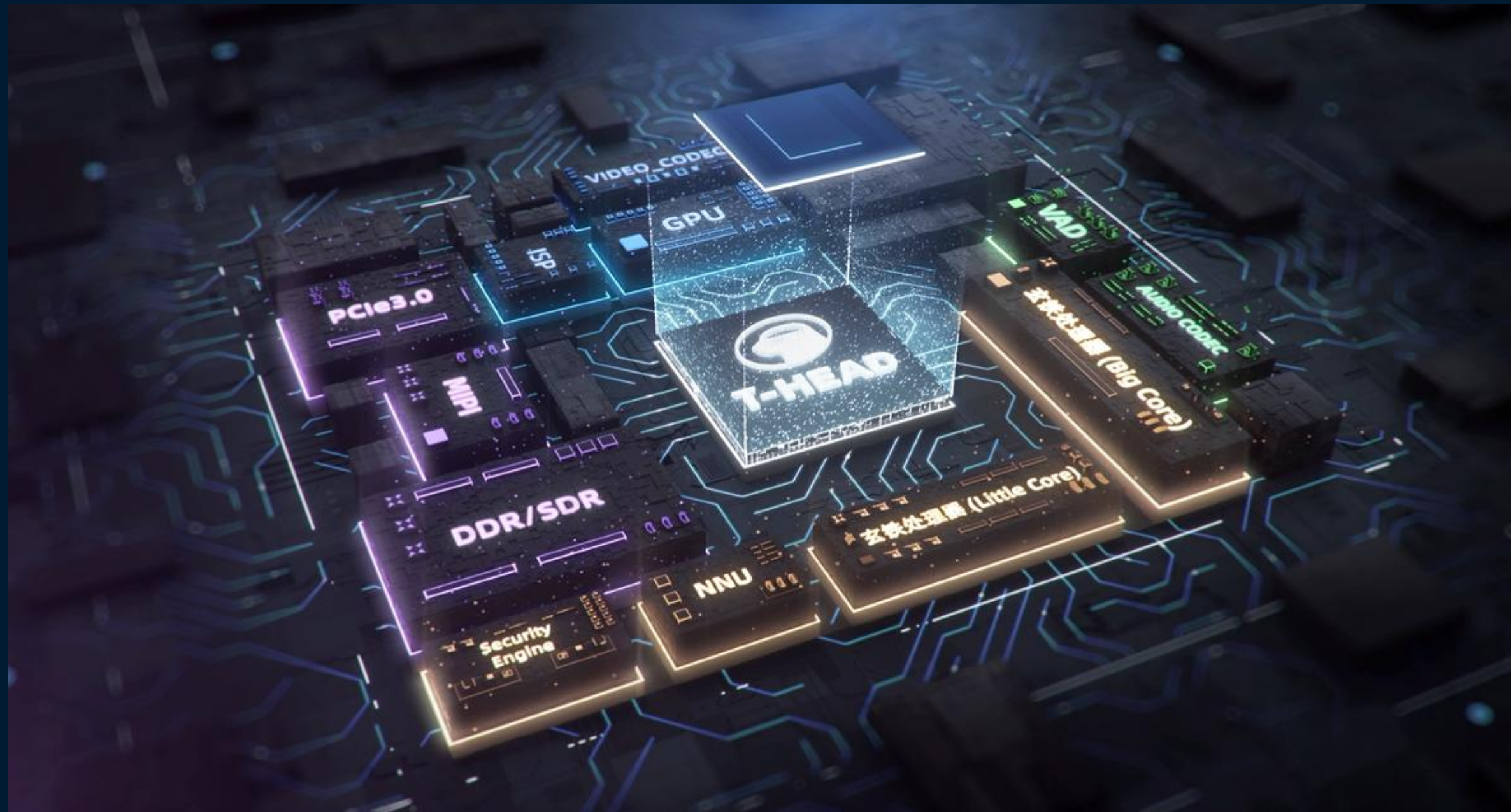


Process Technology	TSMC 12nm FinFET
Operating Frequency	2.0 GHz ^a ~ 2.5 GHz ^b a. LVT 6T-turbo STD cell, 0.8V VDD, TT 85°C b. 30% ULVT STD cell, 1.0V VDD, TT 85°C
Area per Core (excl. L2\$)	0.6 mm ² (without VEC) 0.8 mm ² (with VEC)

Wujian SoC Platform with Xuantie



Enabling chip differentiation competition



50%

Reducing Chip Design Time by 50%

50%

Saving up to 50% on Design Cost

- **Ultra High Performance Superscalar Processor**
- **RISC-V Compatible plus RISC-V Turbo Technology**
- **Dual issue Out-of-Order Memory Subsystem**
- **AI Vector Acceleration Engine**

