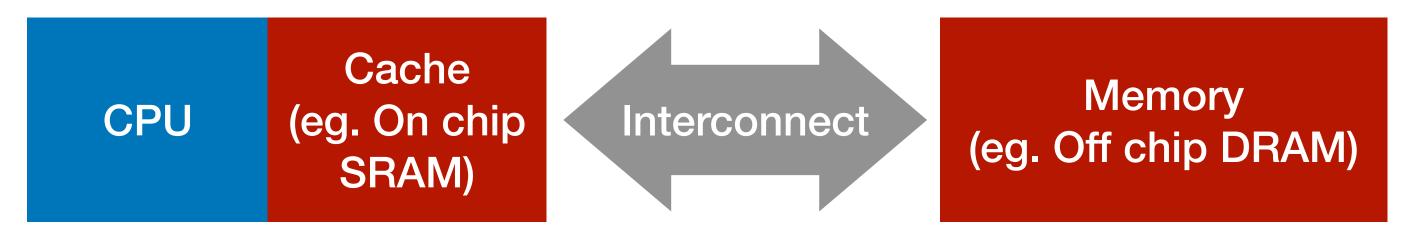
This paper's focus

The breaking point - is there any WASTE of bandwidth?

"Useless or redundant fetches which increase memory traffic"



Var: X
4 bytes

128 bytes cache line

Then why we set it so big when we design this cache?

ANS: large array with strong spatial locality can benefit from large cache line size

a1 a2 a3 a4 a5 a6 a7 ...



Cache will fetch the full 128B data From memory for a single X variable

Redundant data that consumes bandwidth

Conclusion: traditional single cache design is a **compromise** between different access needs of different types of data.

It is just this compromise that creates the margin to shrink bandwidth.

Author's proposal

The key idea: FINE TUNE

• What is fine tune? only consume bandwidth that we really need

