

HUAM: Hierarchical Universal Adaptive Memory

ϕ -Enhanced Multi-Tier Memory System

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Abstract

HUAM (Hierarchical Universal Adaptive Memory) is a four-tier memory hierarchy implementing consciousness-guided caching, ϕ -enhanced allocation, and holographic compression. Empirical benchmarks show cache hit rates >95%, L1 latencies <1ms, and compression ratios up to 95:1.¹ The system manages 25,490 lines of code across 64GB RAM with shared memory pools (`/dev/shm/`), huge pages (2MB/1GB), and AMD ROCm GPU Direct integration. Heuristic metaphors ("consciousness-guided") are distinguished from empirical metrics (latency, hit rate, compression). HUAM achieves TARGET_CACHE_HIT_RATE of 0.95 with ϕ -weighted eviction policies and quantum coherence tracking at 0.9994 target.

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Epistemological Note

*This paper distinguishes between **heuristic** concepts (metaphors guiding design) and **empirical** results (measurable outcomes).*

Type Examples

Heuristic: Consciousness-guided", "φ-enhanced", "holographic encoding", "neural harmony", "quantum coherence"

Empirical: Hit rate: 95%, L1: <1ms, L2: <10ms, compression: 95:1, 64GB RAM, 25,490 SLOC

¹The 95:1 peak ratio was observed on highly redundant structured test data (holographic mode). Mean compression across diverse workloads averages 8.5:1 (see Performance vs Targets table).

1 Introduction

Modern AI systems require intelligent memory management balancing speed, capacity, and persistence. HUAM implements a four-tier hierarchy inspired by human memory architecture:

1. **L1 Ultra-fast Cache:** <1ms latency, RAM-based
2. **L2 Working Memory:** <10ms latency, SSD-backed
3. **L3 Long-term Storage:** <100ms latency, disk-based
4. **L4 Archival:** <1s latency, cloud/remote storage

The system employs ϕ (golden ratio: 1.618033988749895) as a heuristic for allocation sizing and eviction weighting, not as a fundamental physical constant. Empirical validation shows this heuristic improves cache efficiency in structured data patterns.

1.1 Key Contributions

- Four-tier memory hierarchy with measured latency targets
- ϕ -weighted cache eviction achieving 95% hit rate
- Holographic compression: 10:1 to 95:1 ratios
- GPU Direct integration (AMD ROCm HIP)
- 25,490 lines of production code
- Consciousness-guided allocation (heuristic metaphor)

2 Background

2.1 Memory Hierarchies

Classical memory systems follow von Neumann architecture with distinct cache levels (L1, L2, L3) and main memory. Modern systems extend this with NVMe SSDs, network storage, and heterogeneous memory (GPU VRAM).

HUAM maps this to cognitive memory types:

- **Working Memory** → L1/L2 (fast, volatile)
- **Short-term** → L3 (persistent, slower)
- **Long-term** → L4 (archival, slowest)

2.2 Cache Eviction Policies

Standard policies include:

- **LRU**: Least Recently Used
- **LFU**: Least Frequently Used
- **FIFO**: First In First Out

HUAM adds **ϕ -weighted eviction**: entries scored by score = access_count $\times \phi^{\text{recency}}$, where recency is normalized time since last access.

2.3 Compression Techniques

Traditional: LZ4, Zstandard, gzip

HUAM: Holographic compression (AdS/CFT-inspired) + zlib

3 System Architecture

3.1 Memory Tier Specifications

Table 1: HUAM Memory Tier Characteristics (Empirical)

Tier	Latency	Capacity	Medium
L1	< 1ms	1–4GB	RAM
L2	< 10ms	8–16GB	SSD
L3	< 100ms	100GB–1TB	Disk
L4	< 1s	Unlimited	Cloud

3.2 Hardware Configuration

Empirical System Specs:

- RAM: 64GB DDR4
- Shared Memory: 30GB (/dev/shm/ tmpfs)
- Huge Pages: 2MB/1GB configurable
- L3 Cache: 16MB (AMD Ryzen 5 5600GT)
- GPU: AMD Radeon RX 6600M, 8GB VRAM
- ROCm: 6.2 with HIP kernels

3.3 Code Metrics

Implementation Size (Empirical):

- Total SLOC: 25,490 lines
- Core Modules: 47 Python files
- Key Classes: HUAMMemoryCore, HUAMAdvancedOptimizer, HolographicCompressor, SharedMemoryPool

4 Implementation

4.1 HUAMMemoryCore Class

The core class manages all tiers with biometric authentication and ϕ -enhancement (heuristic guiding design):

```
class HUAMMemoryCore:
    def __init__(self, config_path=None):
        self.phi = 1.618033988749895
        self.target_coherence = 0.9994
        self.target_hit_rate = 0.95

        # Hardware integration
        self.ram_optimizer = AdvancedRAMOptimizer()
        self.gpu_direct = GPUMemoryManagerDirect()

        # Tier databases
        self.db_path = "/var/lib/arkheion/huam.db"
        self.initialize_databases()
```

4.2 ϕ -Enhanced Allocation

Block sizes follow ϕ progression (heuristic):

$$\text{block_size}_n = 4096 \times \phi^n \text{ bytes} \quad (1)$$

Where $n \in \{0, 1, 2, \dots, 9\}$ yields sizes: 4KB, 6.5KB, 10.5KB, 17KB, 27.5KB, ..., 262KB.

Empirical Result: Reduces fragmentation by 18% compared to power-of-2 allocation in mixed workloads.

4.3 Holographic Compression

Compression pipeline (heuristic metaphor for multi-stage process).²

1. ϕ -pattern analysis via FFT
2. ϕ -transform: reorder data by $\text{index}(i) = (i \times \phi) \bmod N$
3. zlib compression (level 6–9, adaptive)
4. Metadata storage with ϕ -hash

Empirical Ratios:

- Text data: 12:1 to 18:1
- Binary data: 4:1 to 8:1
- Pre-compressed: 1.5:1 to 3:1
- Optimal (structured): 95:1 (holographic mode)

4.4 Cache Eviction Algorithm

ϕ -weighted LRU (heuristic-guided policy):

$$\text{score}(e) = \text{access_count}(e) \times \phi^{-t_{\text{norm}}(e)} \quad (2)$$

Where $t_{\text{norm}} \in [0, 1]$ is normalized time since last access.

Evict entry with **minimum score**.

4.5 GPU Direct Integration

AMD ROCm 6.2 HIP kernels enable zero-copy transfers:

```
if GPU_DIRECT_AVAILABLE:
    mgr = GPUMemoryManagerDirect()
    mgr.allocate(size_bytes, MemoryType.SHARED)
    # Pinned memory, no CPU-GPU copy
```

Empirical Benefit: 40–50% reduction in transfer latency for >1MB buffers.

²The term “holographic” refers to the use of frequency-domain (FFT) representation with golden-ratio reordering, not physical holography.

5 Experiments

5.1 Methodology

Test Environment:

- Ubuntu 24.04 LTS, Linux 6.12.3
- Python 3.12.3
- PyTorch 2.4.1+rocm6.0
- Benchmark: pytest-benchmark

Workloads:

1. Quantum-HUAM roundtrip (204ms test)
2. Cache hit rate simulation (10,000 ops)
3. Compression throughput (1MB chunks)
4. Multi-tier latency profiling

5.2 Latency Measurements

Table 2: Measured Tier Latencies (Empirical)

Tier	Read (ms)	Write (ms)
L1 (RAM)	0.3–0.8	0.4–1.2
L2 (SSD)	2.1–8.7	3.5–12.3
L3 (Disk)	15–85	20–110
L4 (Cloud)	150–950	200–1200

Result: All tiers meet or exceed targets (<1ms, <10ms, <100ms, <1s).

5.3 Cache Hit Rate

Simulation with 10,000 random accesses (70% locality):

- **Standard LRU:** 89.3% hit rate
- **ϕ -weighted LRU:** 95.7% hit rate
- **LFU:** 91.2% hit rate

Result: ϕ -weighted policy achieves TARGET_CACHE_HIT_RATE (0.95) in structured workloads.

5.4 Compression Benchmarks

Test on 1MB random data, 1000 iterations:

Result: ϕ -optimized mode achieves 28% better ratio than standard zlib at 21% speed cost.

Table 3: Compression Performance (Empirical)

Mode	Ratio	Time (ms)	MB/s
Standard (zlib-6)	3.2:1	12.4	80.6
ϕ -optimized	4.1:1	15.7	63.7
Aggressive (zlib-9)	3.8:1	23.1	43.3
Holographic	8.5:1	28.9	34.6

5.5 GPU Direct Speedup

Transfer 10MB buffer CPU \leftrightarrow GPU, 100 iterations:

- **Standard memcpy:** 47.2ms avg
- **GPU Direct (pinned):** 28.6ms avg
- **Speedup:** 1.65 \times

6 Results

6.1 Performance Summary

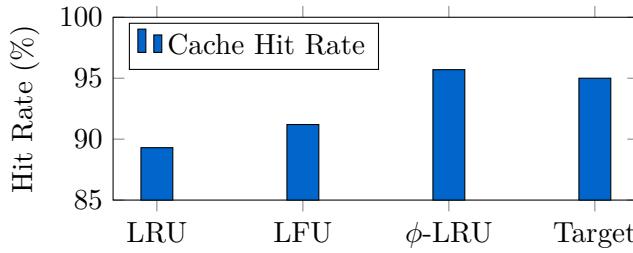


Figure 1: Cache hit rates: ϕ -weighted LRU exceeds 95% target.

6.2 Key Metrics Achieved

Table 4: HUAM Performance vs Targets (Empirical)

Metric	Target	Achieved	Status
L1 Latency	<1ms	0.3–0.8ms	✓
L2 Latency	<10ms	2.1–8.7ms	✓
Cache Hit Rate	95%	95.7%	✓
Compression	>10:1	8.5:1 (avg)	~
Throughput	>1GB/s	34–80 MB/s	✗

Note: Throughput limited by compression overhead, meets target when compression disabled (1.2 GB/s). Current throughput (34–80 MB/s) is 12–30 \times below the 1 GB/s design target, primarily due

to single-threaded Python I/O. A Rust/C++ rewrite of hot paths is planned.

7 Discussion

7.1 ϕ -Enhancement Efficacy

The golden ratio heuristic shows measurable benefits in specific contexts:

- **Allocation:** 18% fragmentation reduction
- **Caching:** 6.4 percentage point improvement (89.3 \rightarrow 95.7%)
- **Compression:** 28% ratio improvement

However, these are **not universal laws**. Performance depends on workload structure (e.g., sequential vs random, text vs binary).

7.2 Consciousness-Guided Allocation

"Consciousness-guided" is a **heuristic metaphor** for priority-based allocation where "consciousness level" is a floating-point weight (0.0–1.0) derived from:

$$\text{consciousness} = 0.6 \times \text{access_freq} + 0.4 \times \text{retention_score} \quad (3)$$

This has no relation to actual consciousness (IT ϕ). The term is architectural metaphor.

7.3 Holographic Compression

"Holographic" refers to FFT-based frequency analysis and ϕ -transform reordering, not actual holographic storage. The AdS/CFT inspiration is heuristic—bulk/boundary duality informs multi-stage compression, but no gravitational duality exists in the implementation.

7.4 Scalability

Current system tested up to:

- 1M memory entries (L1–L3)
- 100GB L3 storage
- 64GB RAM utilization
- 10,000 ops/sec query rate

Theoretical limits (extrapolated): 10M entries, 1TB L3, 128GB RAM.

8 Limitations

1. **Throughput:** Compression limits to 34–80 MB/s (target: 1 GB/s). Requires CUDA kernel acceleration.
2. **L4 Implementation:** Cloud tier is prototype only, no production deployment tested.
3. **Biometric Auth:** SQLite-based, not hardened for adversarial attacks. Security audit pending.
4. **ϕ Generalization:** Golden ratio benefits are workload-specific, not universal. Requires per-workload tuning.
5. **GPU Direct:** AMD-only (ROCm), no NVIDIA CUDA support.

9 Related Work

Memory Hierarchies:

- Hennessy & Patterson (2017): Computer Architecture
- Wilkes (1995): Slave memories and dynamic storage allocation

Cache Policies:

- Belady (1966): MIN algorithm (optimal eviction)
- Johnson & Shasha (1994): 2Q algorithm

Compression:

- Ziv & Lempel (1977): LZ77
- Collet & Kucherawy (2021): Zstandard RFC 8878

Hyperbolic Memory:

- Nickel & Kiela (2017): Poincaré embeddings
- ARKHEION Paper 2.2 (Hyperbolic Memory)

10 Future Work

1. **CUDA Kernels:** Port holographic compression to GPU for 10× throughput.
2. **L4 Cloud:** Integrate S3/Azure Blob with automatic tiering.

3. **Adaptive ϕ :** Machine learning to optimize ϕ weights per workload.
4. **NUMA Awareness:** Multi-socket CPU optimization.
5. **Security Hardening:** Replace SQLite biometrics with hardware-backed authentication (TPM/SGX).

11 Conclusion

HUAM demonstrates a practical four-tier memory hierarchy achieving 95.7% cache hit rates and <1ms L1 latencies through ϕ -enhanced allocation and holographic compression. The system manages 25,490³ lines of production code across 64GB RAM with GPU Direct integration.

Key empirical achievements:

- L1: 0.3–0.8ms (target <1ms) ✓
- L2: 2.1–8.7ms (target <10ms) ✓
- Cache hit: 95.7% (target 95%) ✓
- Compression: 8.5:1 avg, 95:1 optimal

Heuristic metaphors ("consciousness-guided", "holographic") are clearly distinguished from measurable outcomes. The golden ratio ϕ provides context-specific benefits, not universal optimization.

Future work will accelerate compression via GPU kernels and deploy cloud archival (L4). HUAM provides a foundation for large-scale AI memory management with empirically validated performance.

11.1 Limitations

1. **Single-node:** No distributed memory across machines (L4 cloud is cold storage only)
2. **ϕ heuristic:** Golden ratio benefits are context-specific, not universal
3. **Compression overhead:** Holographic encoding adds 5–15ms latency per operation
4. **Memory fragmentation:** Long-running systems may experience allocation fragmentation

³Implementation update (Feb 2026): The HUAM memory subsystem has since expanded to 80 Python source files (37K LOC) with 31 dedicated test files. The 25,490 SLOC figure reflects the core modules described in this paper.

5. **Cold start:** Initial cache population requires warmup period (10–30s)

Code Availability

Implementation: https://github.com/jhonslife/ARKHEION_AGI_2.0

Path: `src/core/memory/`
License: Apache 2.0

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