

# StreamBox-HBM

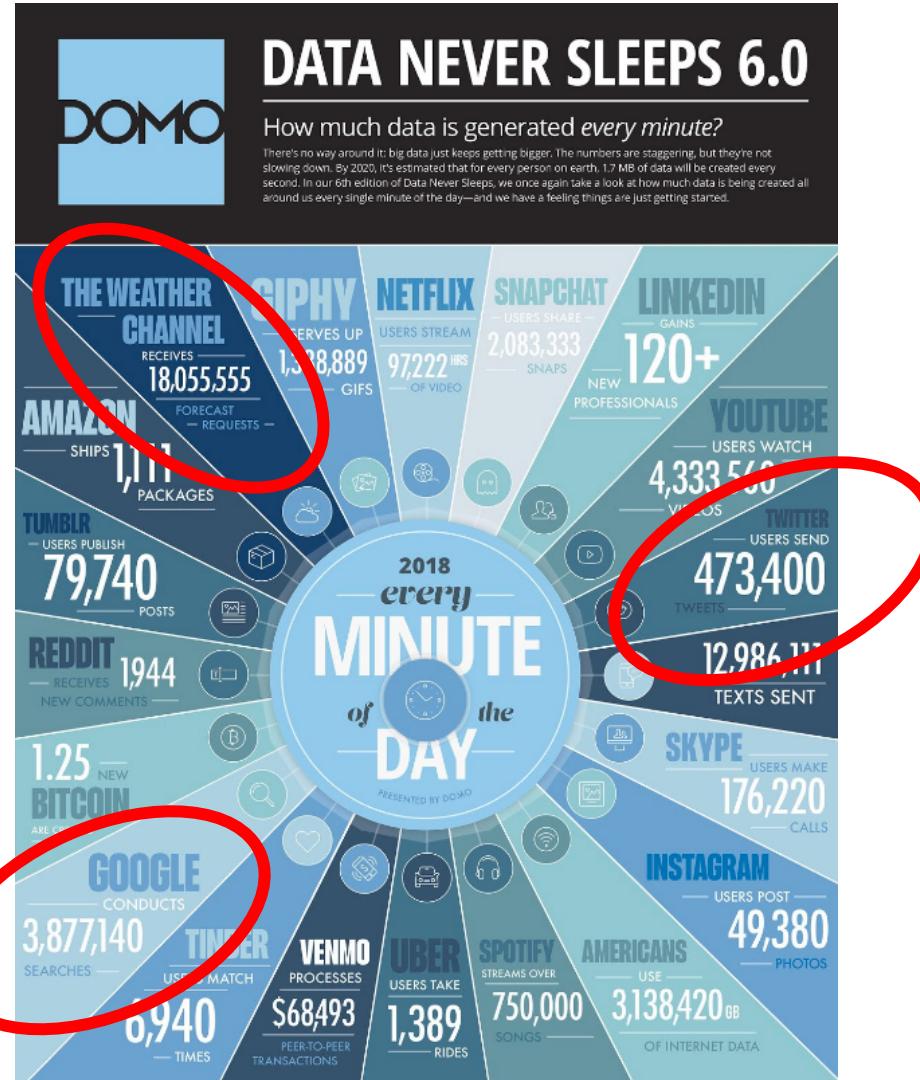
Stream Analytics on High Bandwidth Hybrid Memory

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# Timely processing of streaming data



On 100+ GB memory

High Throughput & Low Latency!

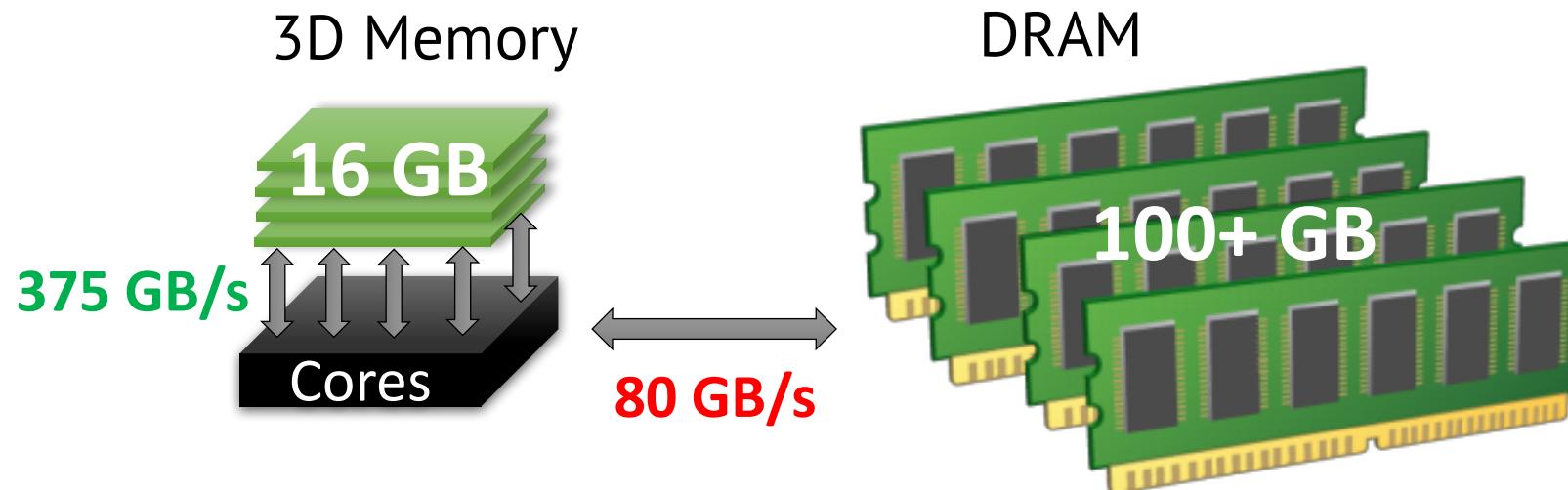
# Hybrid Memory: 3D Memory + DRAM

## DRAM

- Larger capacity, but lower bandwidth

## 3D Memory

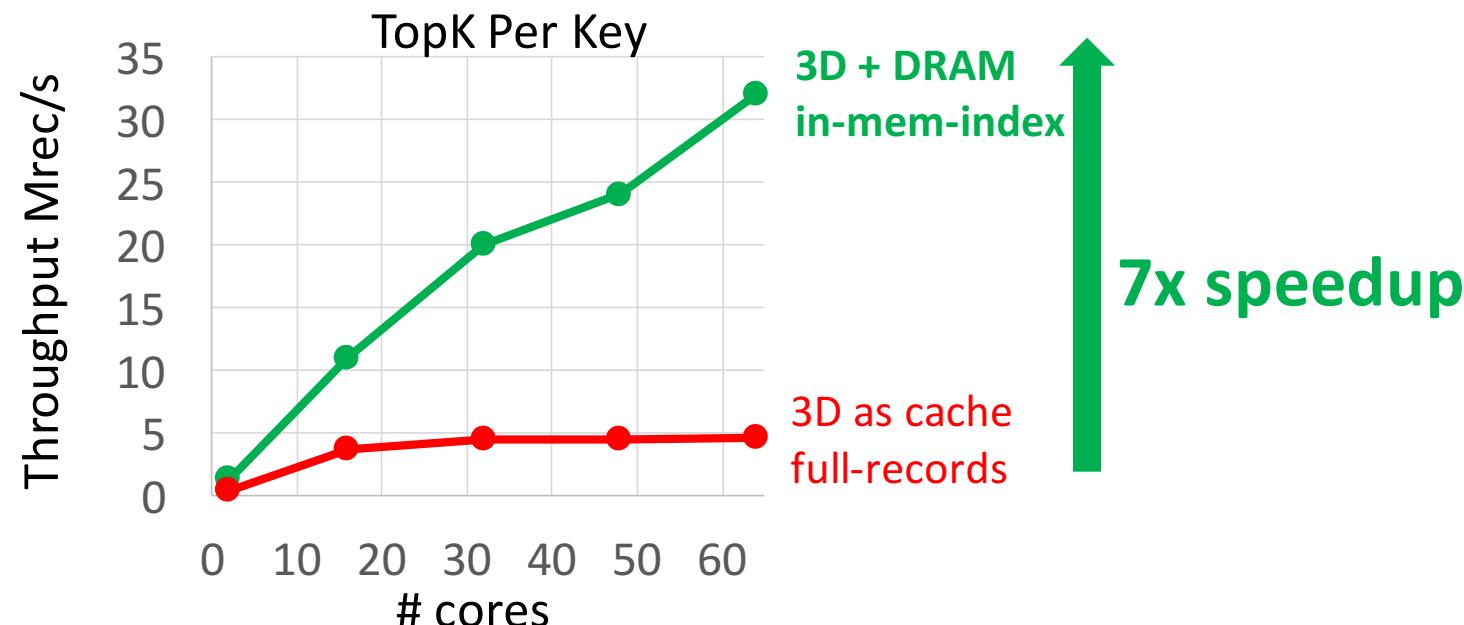
- Higher bandwidth, but smaller capacity
- NO latency benefit (Unlike cache: SRAM+DRAM)
- Same as DRAM without high parallelism or sequential access
- As cache of DRAM? → Poor performance...



# Can hybrid mem speed up stream analytics?

**Yes! StreamBox-HBM**

- The **first** stream engine optimized for 3D memory + DRAM on real hardware
- Achieves the **best** reported throughput on single node (win-avg:110MRec/s)
- Speeds up stream analytics by **7x**

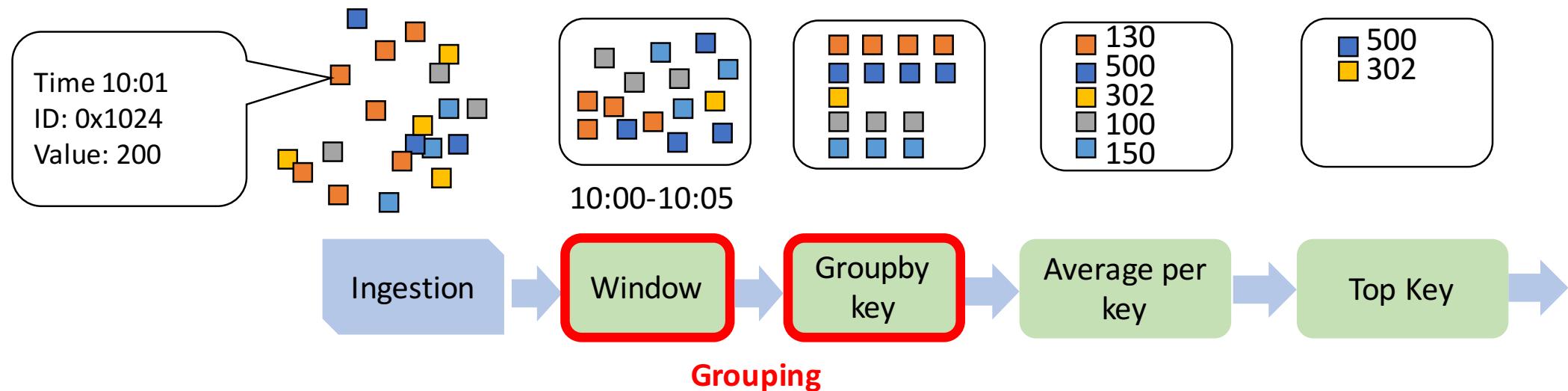


# Challenges

1. Hash Grouping performs poorly on 3D memory
2. 3D memory is capacity limited
3. How to dynamically map streaming data to hybrid mem?

# Challenge 1: Hash Grouping performs poorly on 3D memory

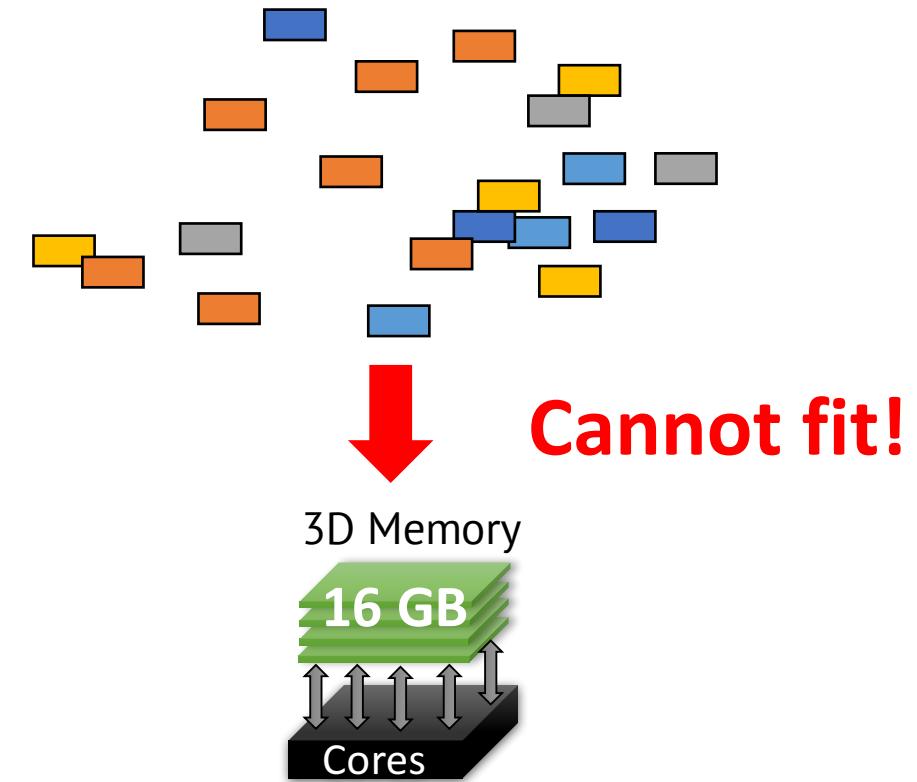
- Operators: computations consume/produce streams
- Pipeline: a graph of streaming operators



- Data Grouping
  - A set of **very common** and **expensive** operators that reorganize records
  - Hash with random access in existing engines → **Performs poorly on 3D memory...**

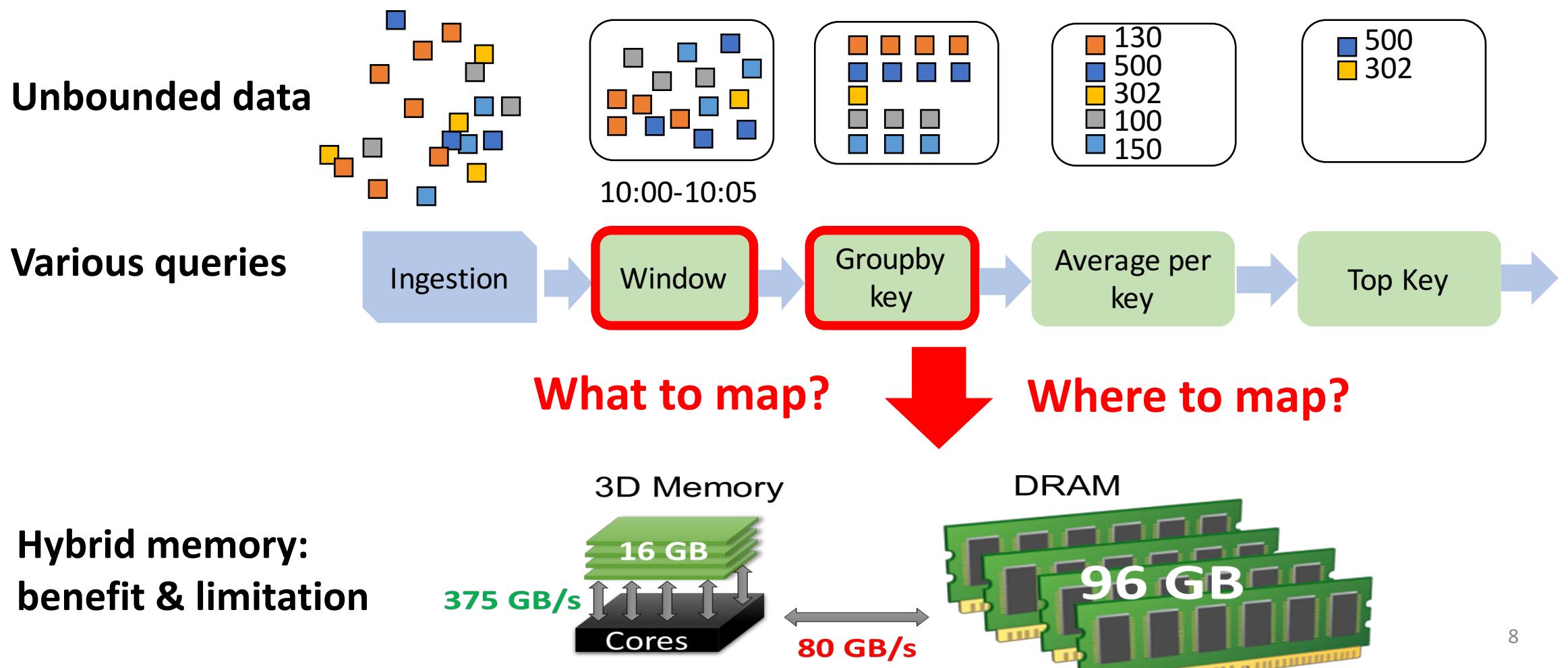
# Challenge 2: 3D memory is capacity limited

- Streaming data
  - High data volume (100+ GB)
- 3D Memory
  - Capacity limited (~ 16 GB)
- 3D memory is NOT large enough to hold all streaming data....



# Challenge 3: managing two types of memory

- How to **dynamically** map data/operators to two types of memory?



# StreamBox-HBM Solutions

1. Hash grouping performs poorly on 3D memory

- → Solution 1: Use high parallel Sort for grouping

2. 3D memory is capacity limited

- → Solution 2: Only use 3D memory to store in-memory indexes

3. How to manage two types of memory?

- → Solution 3: Balance two limited resource with a single knob

# Solution 1: Parallel Sort for Grouping

Known duals of Grouping: Hash vs. Sort

- DRAM: Hash is the best [VLDB'09, VLDB'13, SIGMOD'15]
- Contribution: 3D memory **reverses** the debate. Sort outperforms Hash.

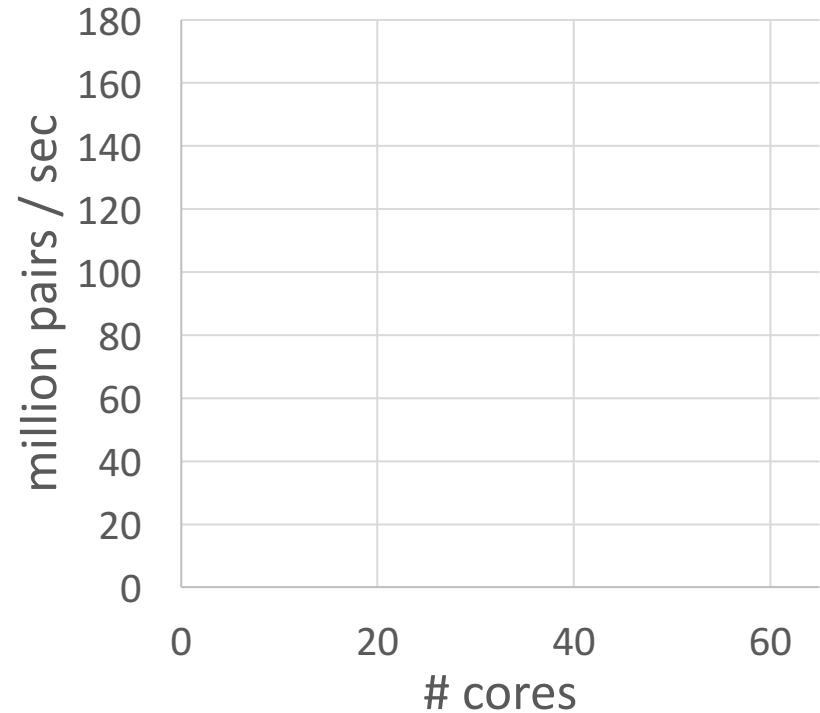
Sort is **worse** than Hash on algorithmic complexity

- $O(N \log N)$  vs.  $O(N)$

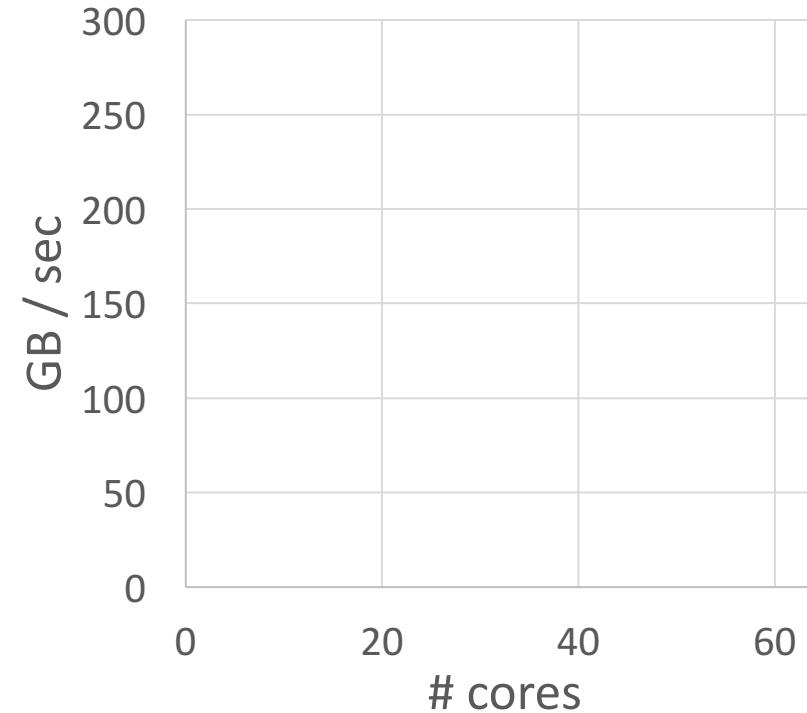
Yet, Sort **outperforms** Hash after we exploit all:

- Abundant memory bandwidth
- High task parallelism
- Wide SIMD (avx512)

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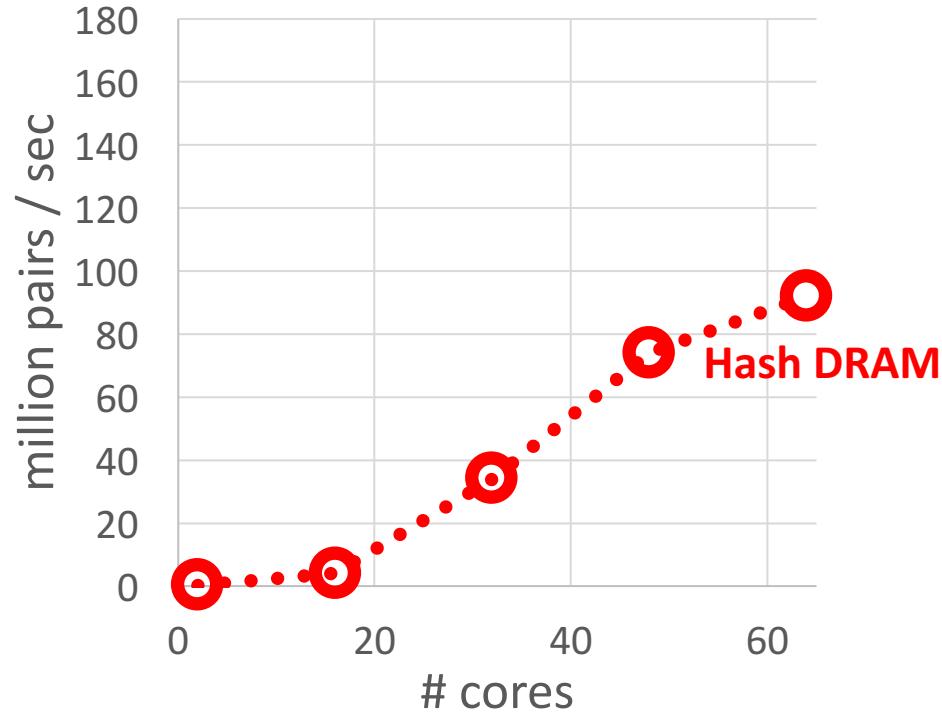
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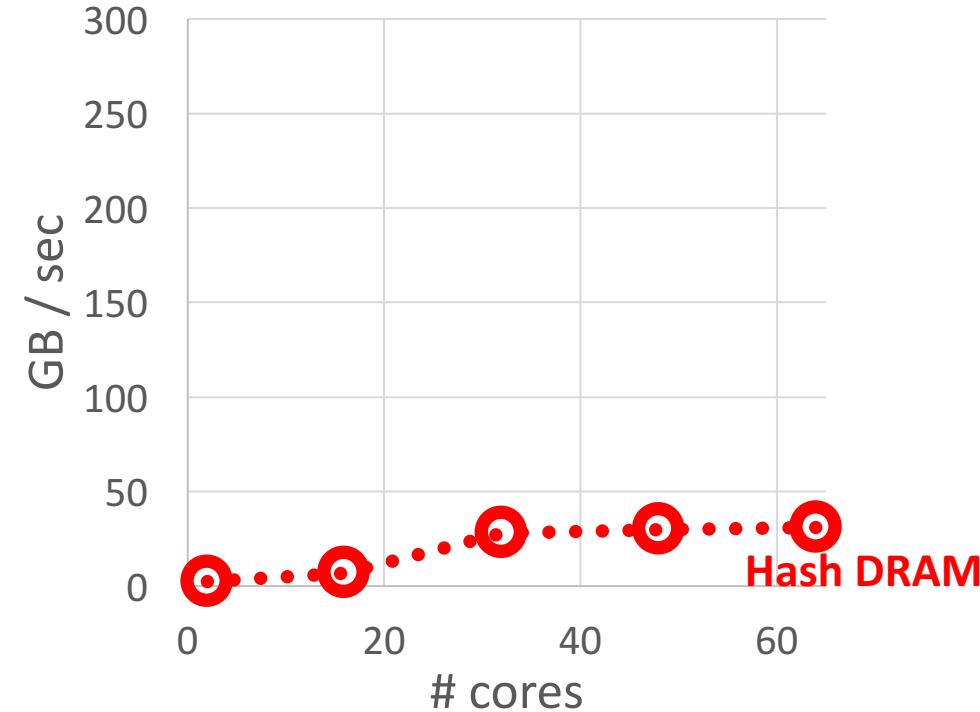
Mem bandwidth

Sort outperforms Hash on 3D memory

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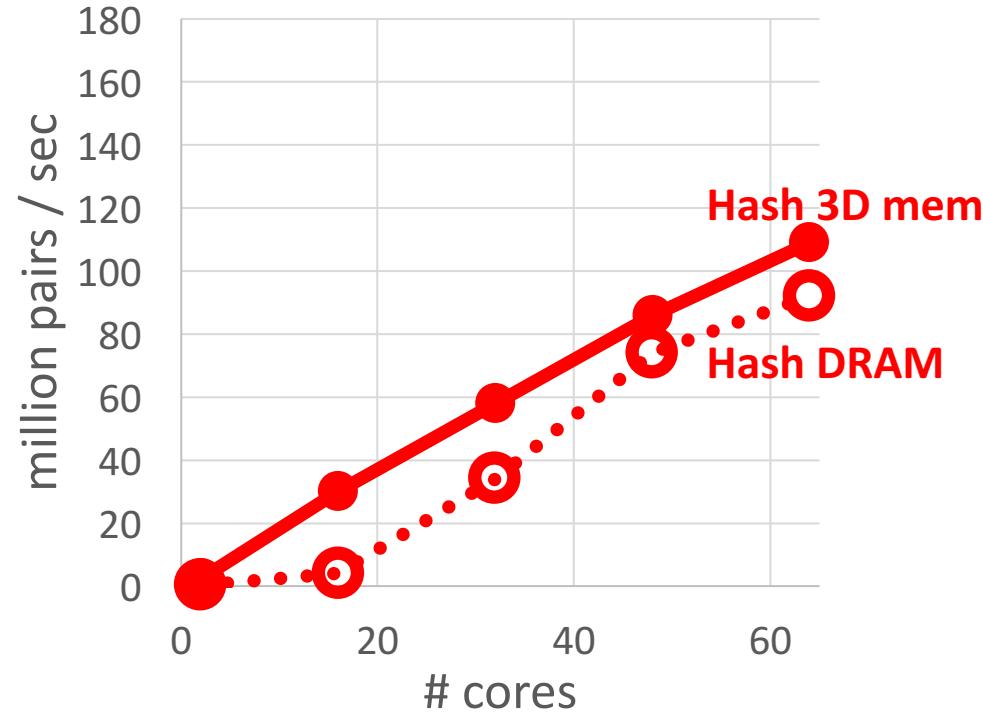
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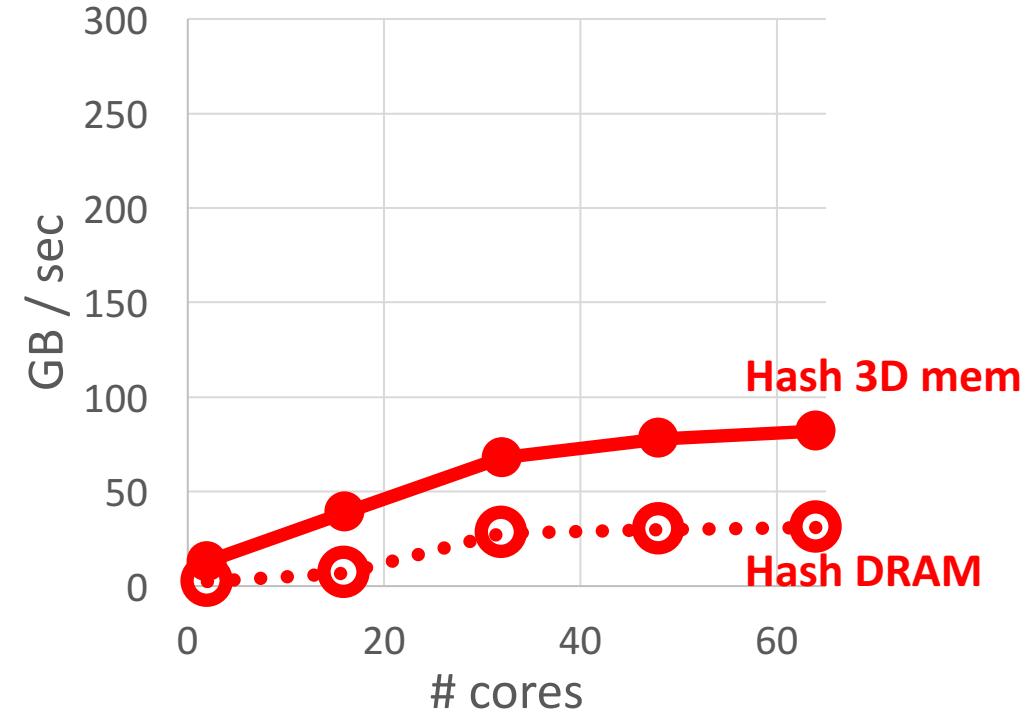
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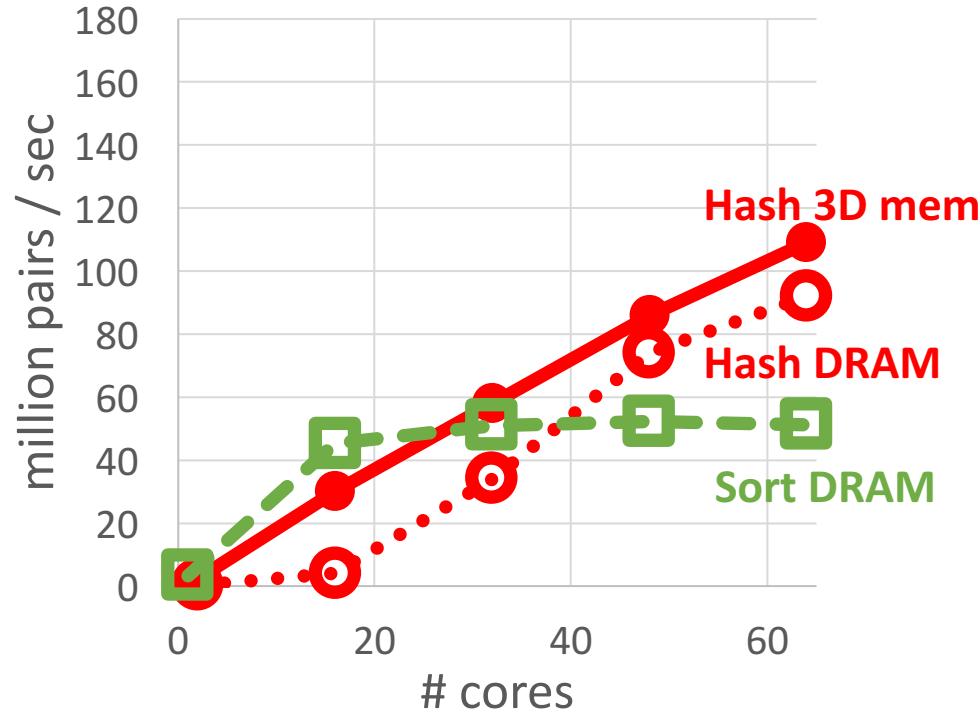
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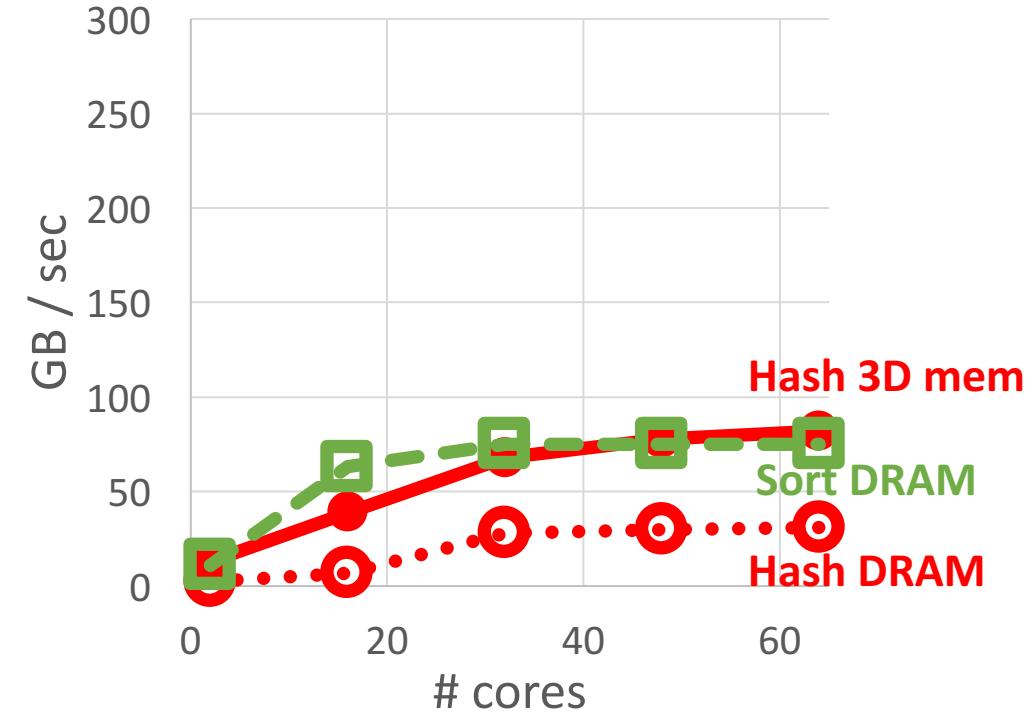
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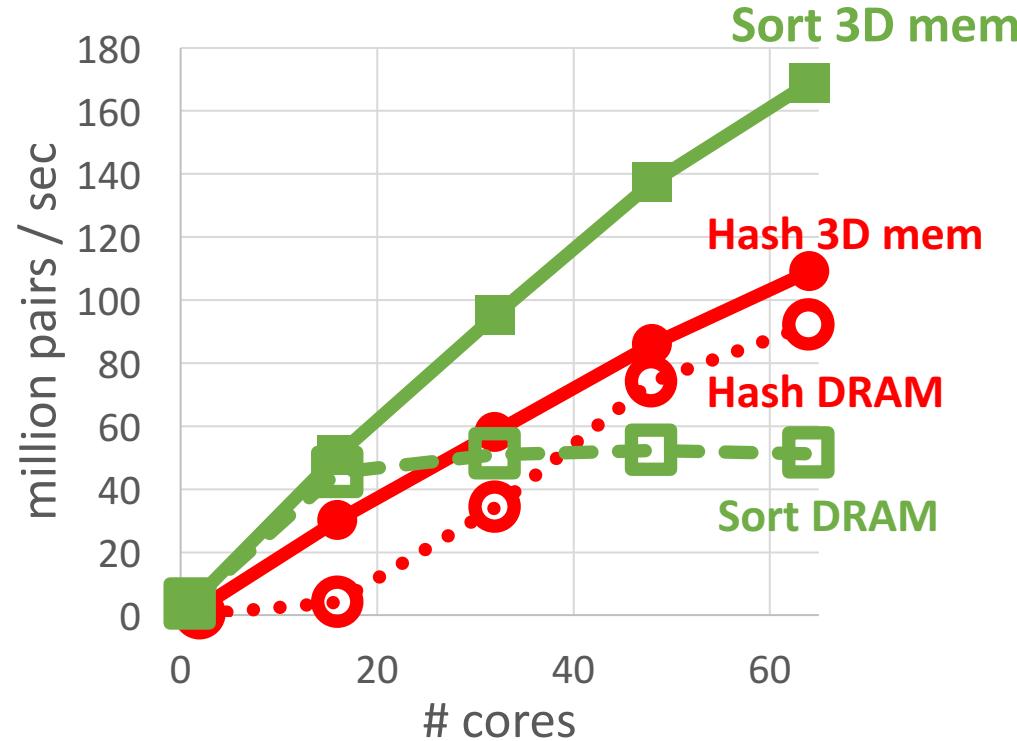
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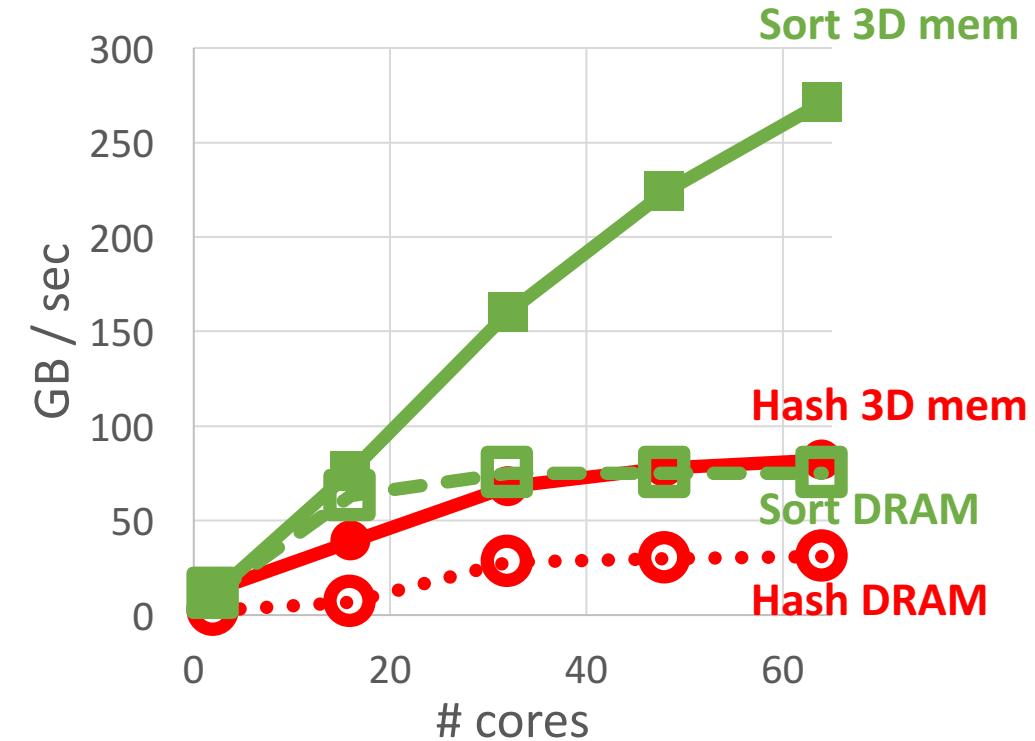
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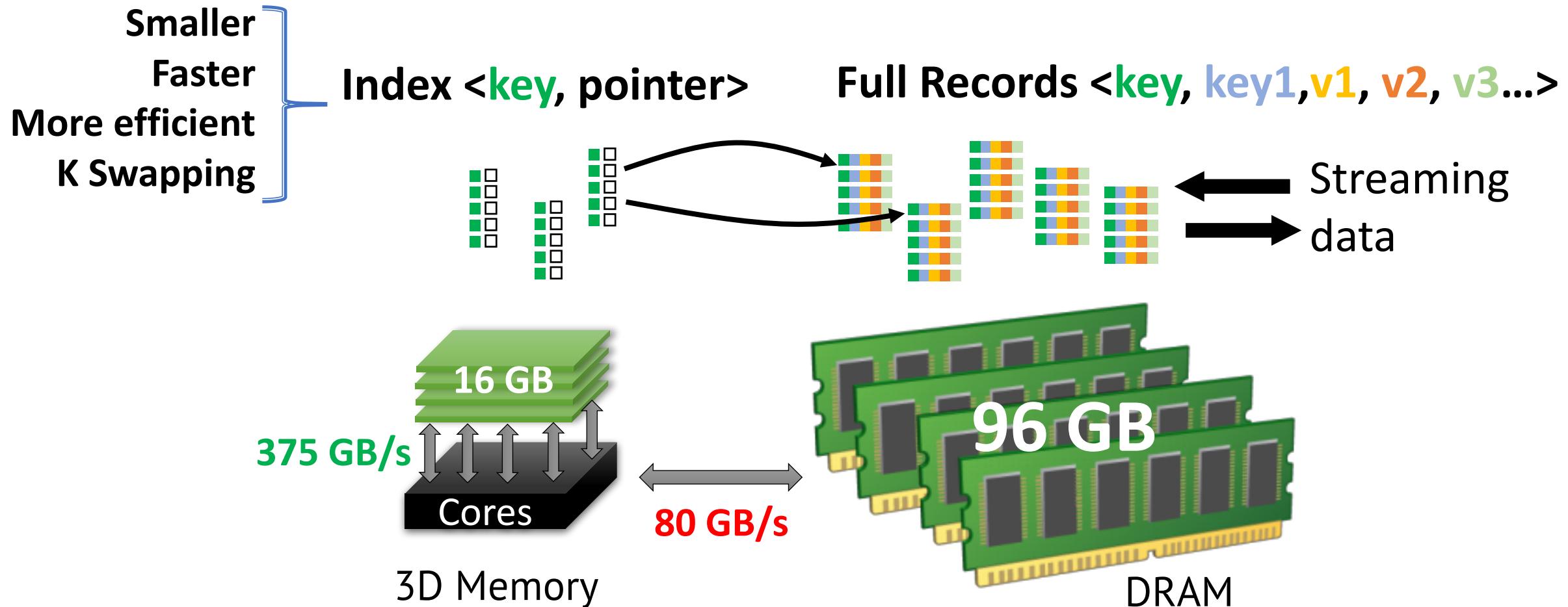
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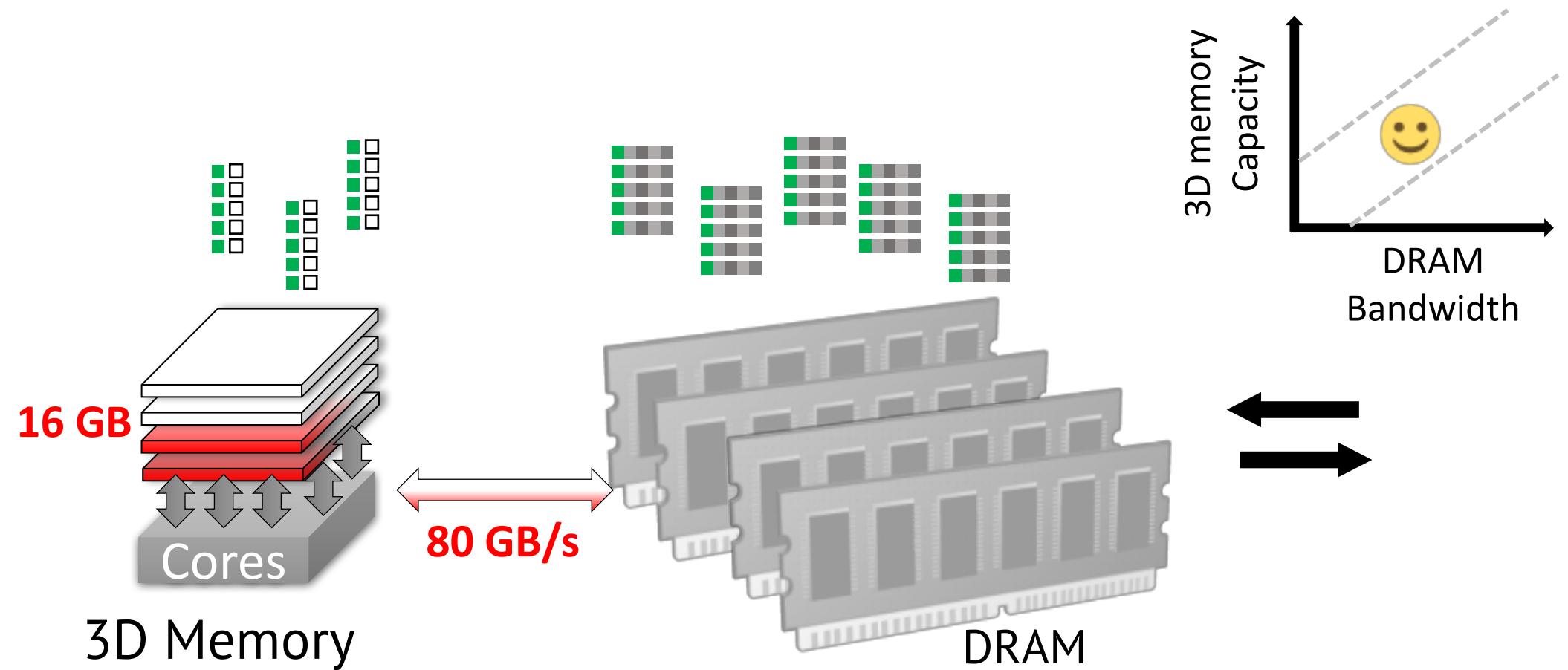
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# Solution 2: Only use 3D memory for **in-memory** index

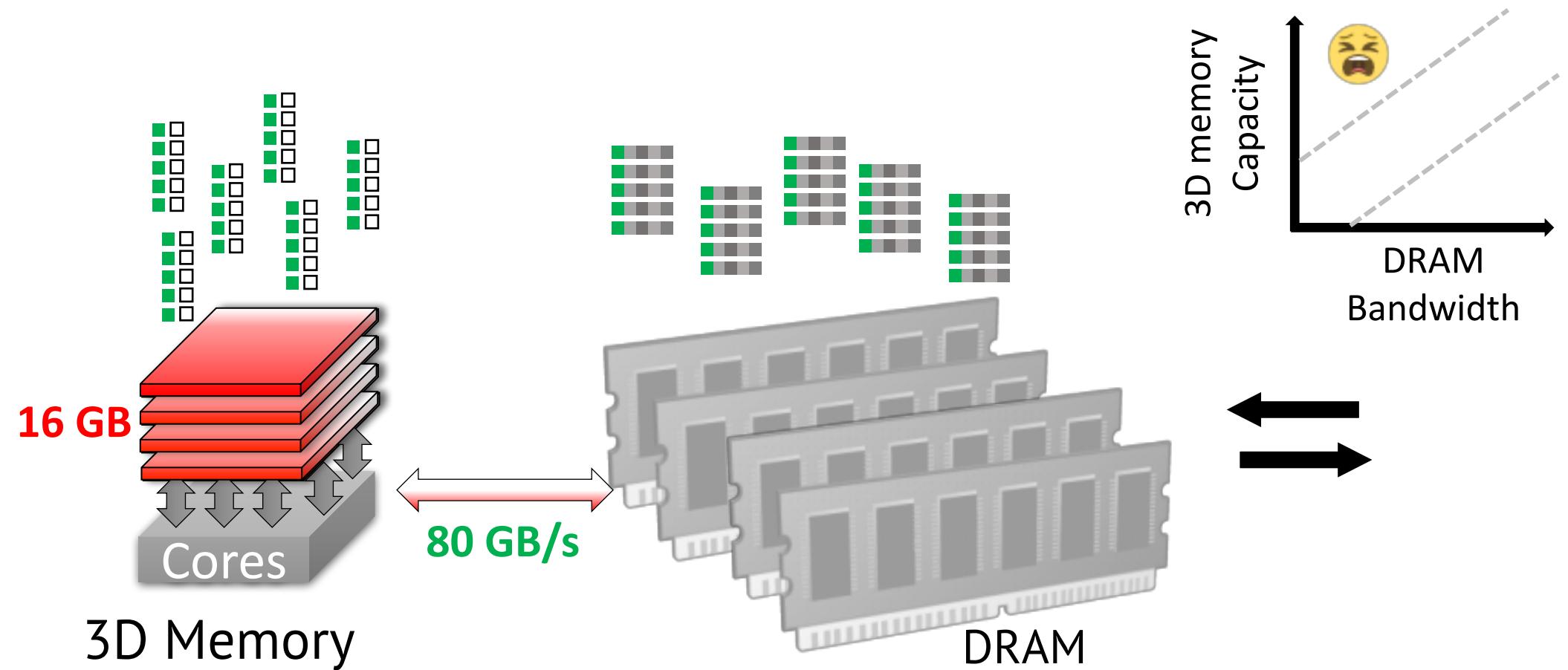


Minimize the use of precious 3D mem's capacity while exploit high bandwidth

# Solution 3: balance two limited resources

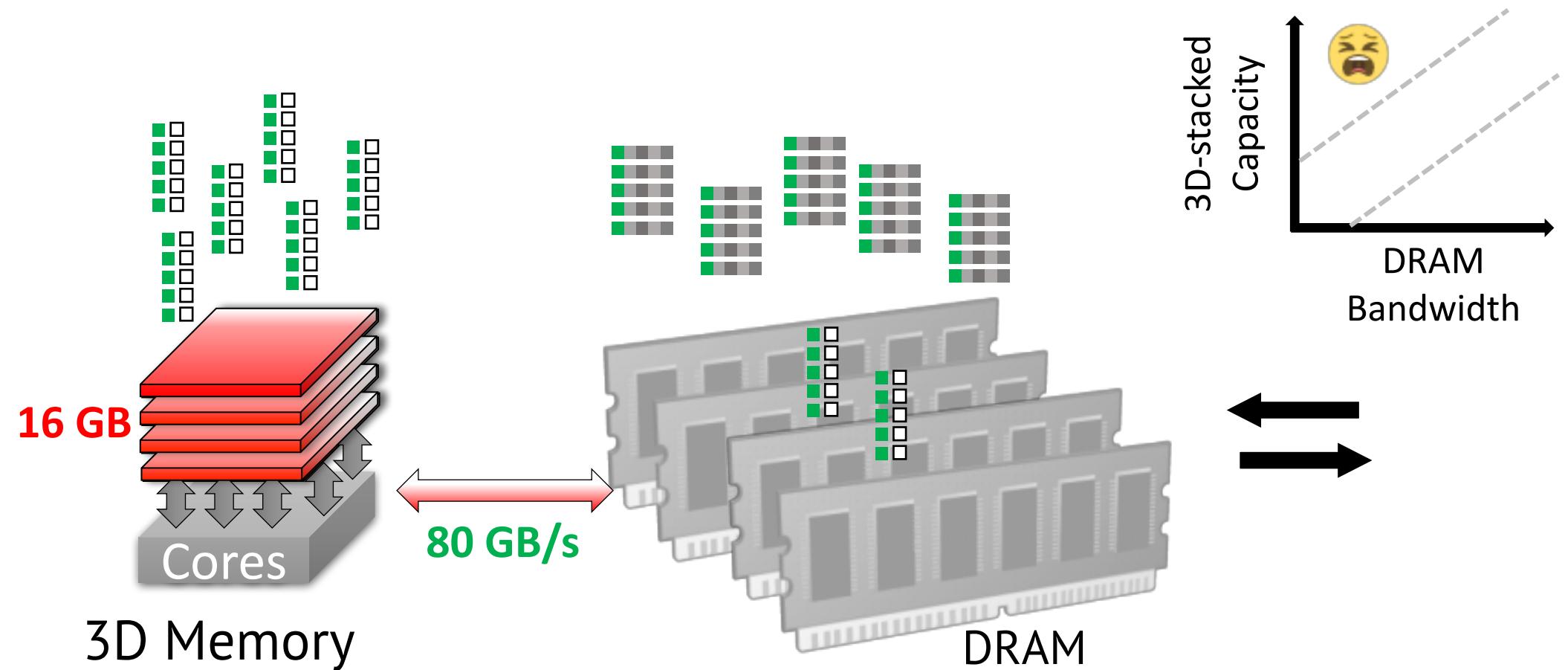


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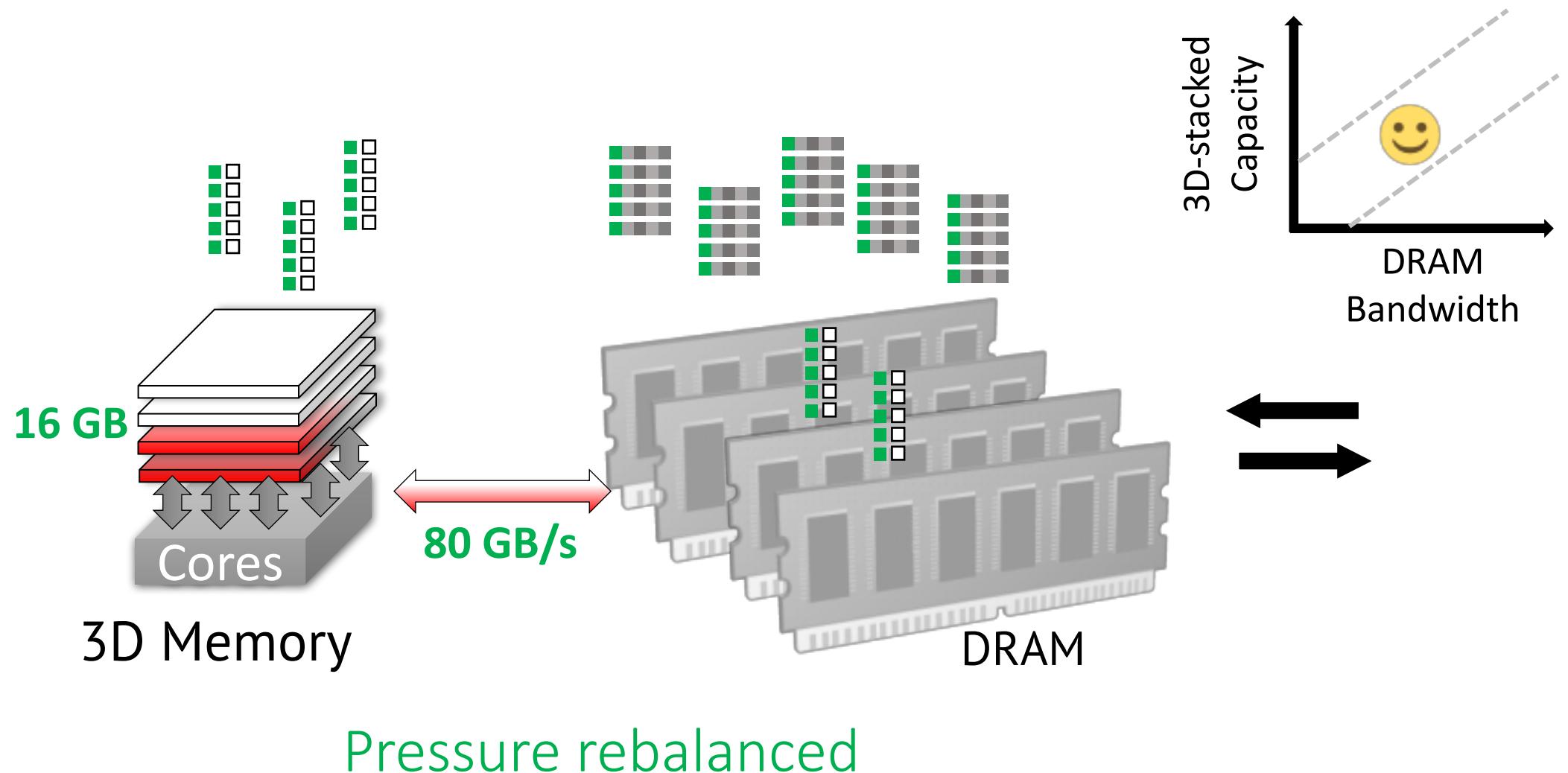
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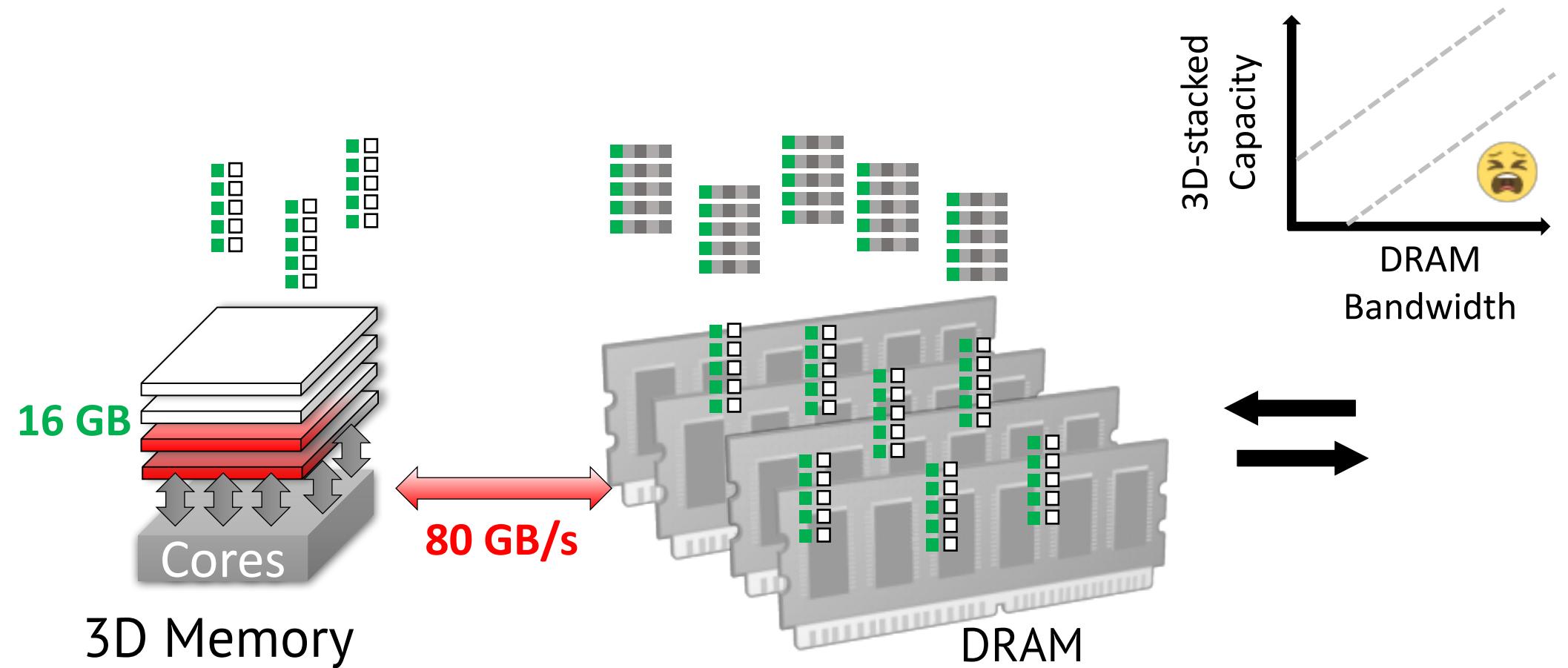


High pressure on 3D Memory capacity → indexes on DRAM

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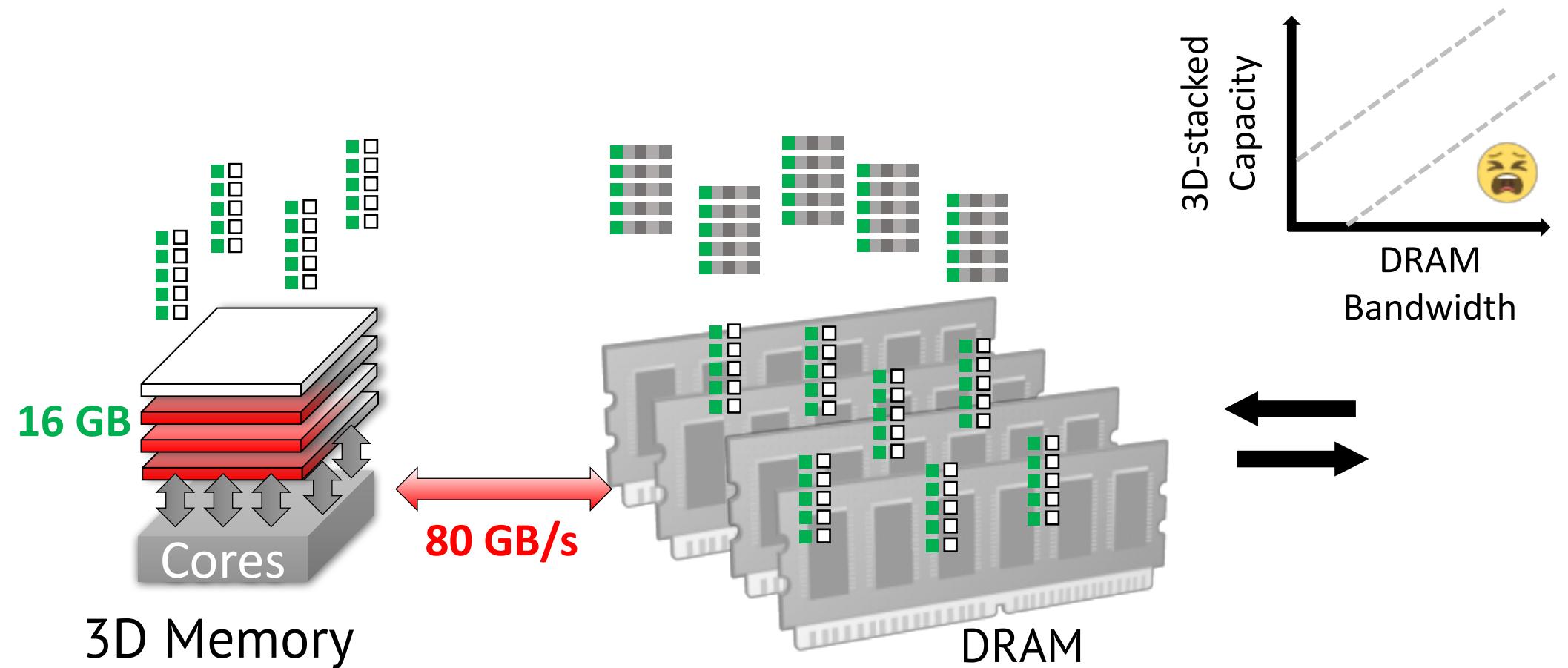


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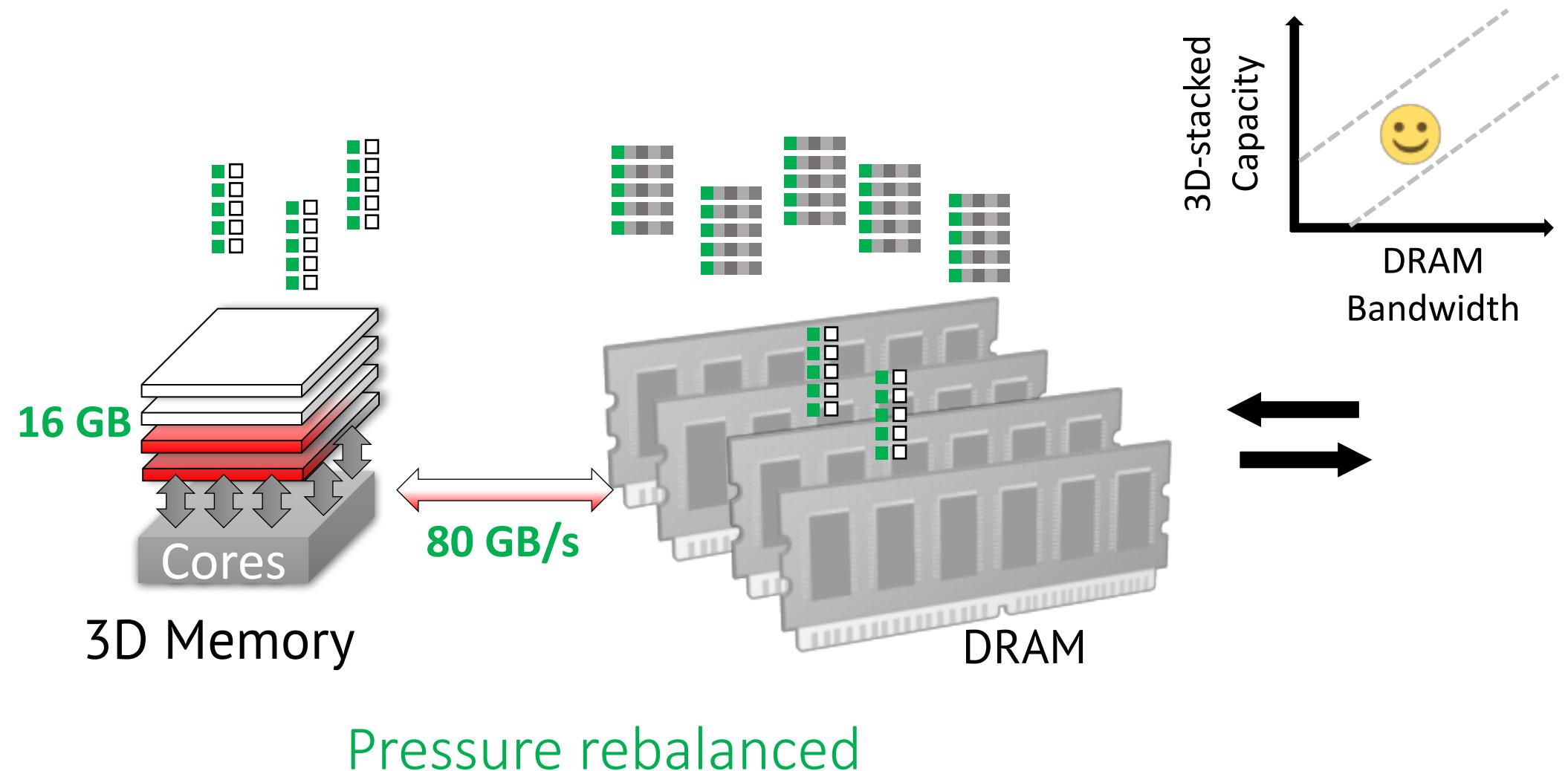
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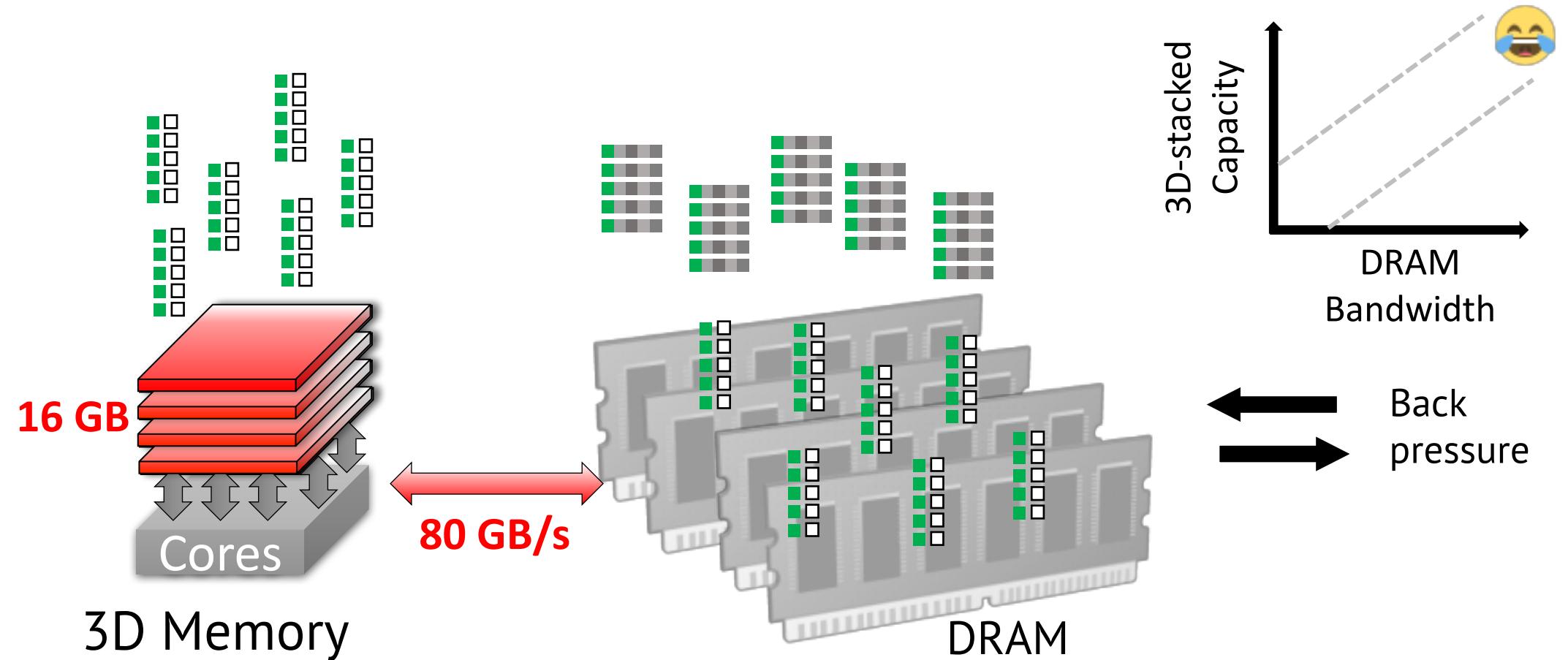


High pressure on DRAM bandwidth → more indexes on 3D memory

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High pressure on both... → reach hardware limit → limit data ingestion

# Other optimizations

- Customized memory allocator
- Customized task scheduler for high pipeline and data parallelism
- High parallel merge-sort kernels using avx-512
- Dynamically handle key changes
- Parallel aggregation
- Co-design RDMA ingestion with memory management and task scheduling
- Task parallelism to utilize all CPU cores
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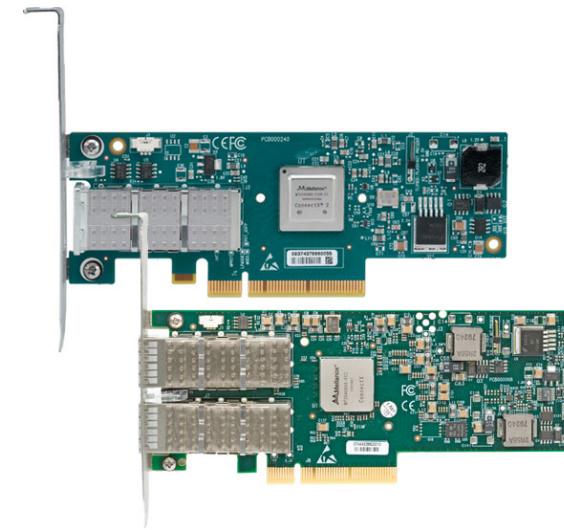
# StreamBox-HBM Implementation

- Based on our prior work StreamBox [USENIX ATC'17]
- Implement on **real hardware** (Intel KNL) with RDMA network
  - 61K lines of C++11, of which 38K lines are new
  - Open source: <http://xsel.rocks/p/streambox>

16GB 3D memory  
96GB DRAM  
64 cores @1.3GHz



Ninja Developer Platform (KNL)

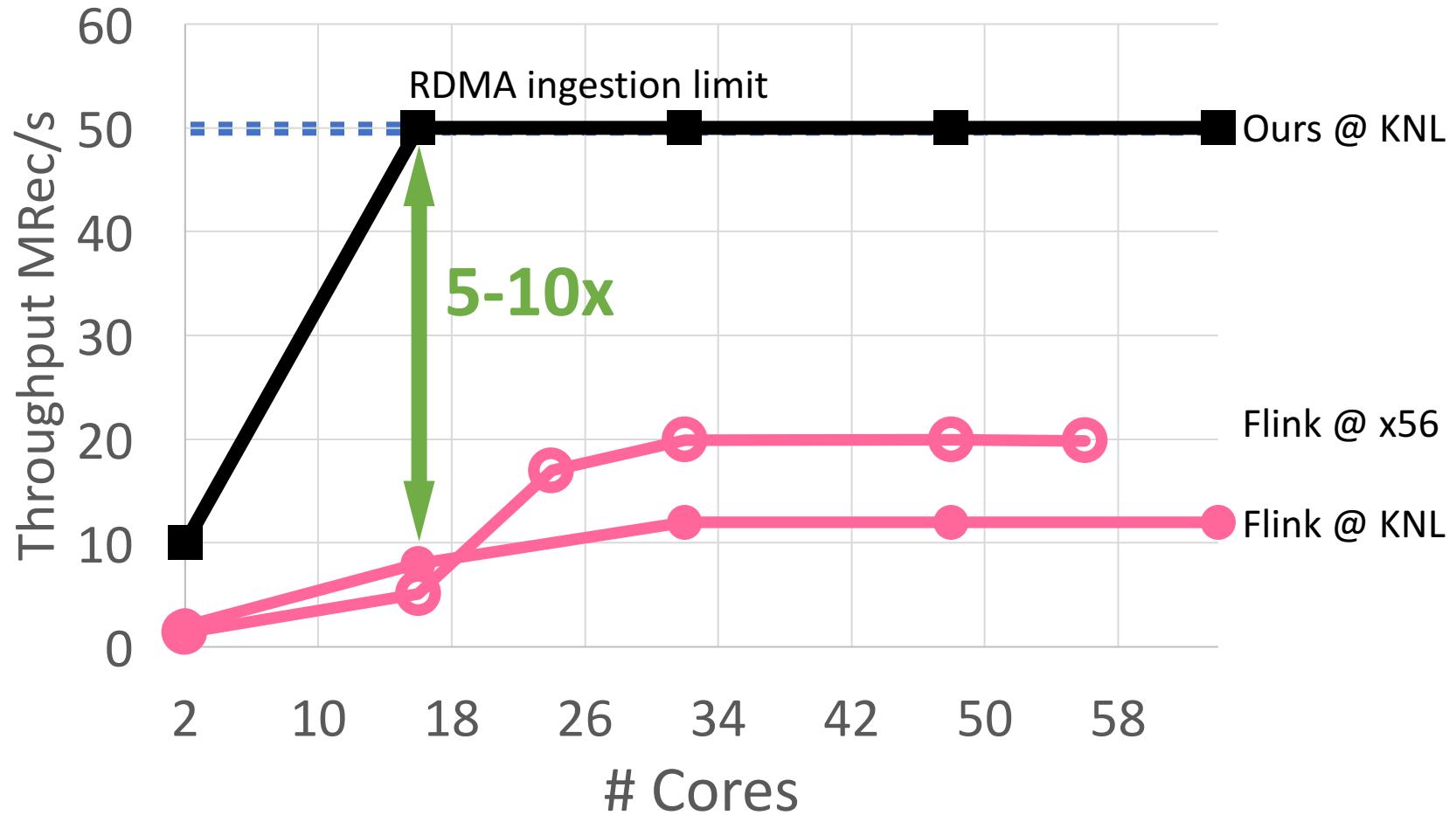


Mellanox ConnectX-2

# Evaluation

- Comparing to widely used stream analytics engine
- Validating our key system designs

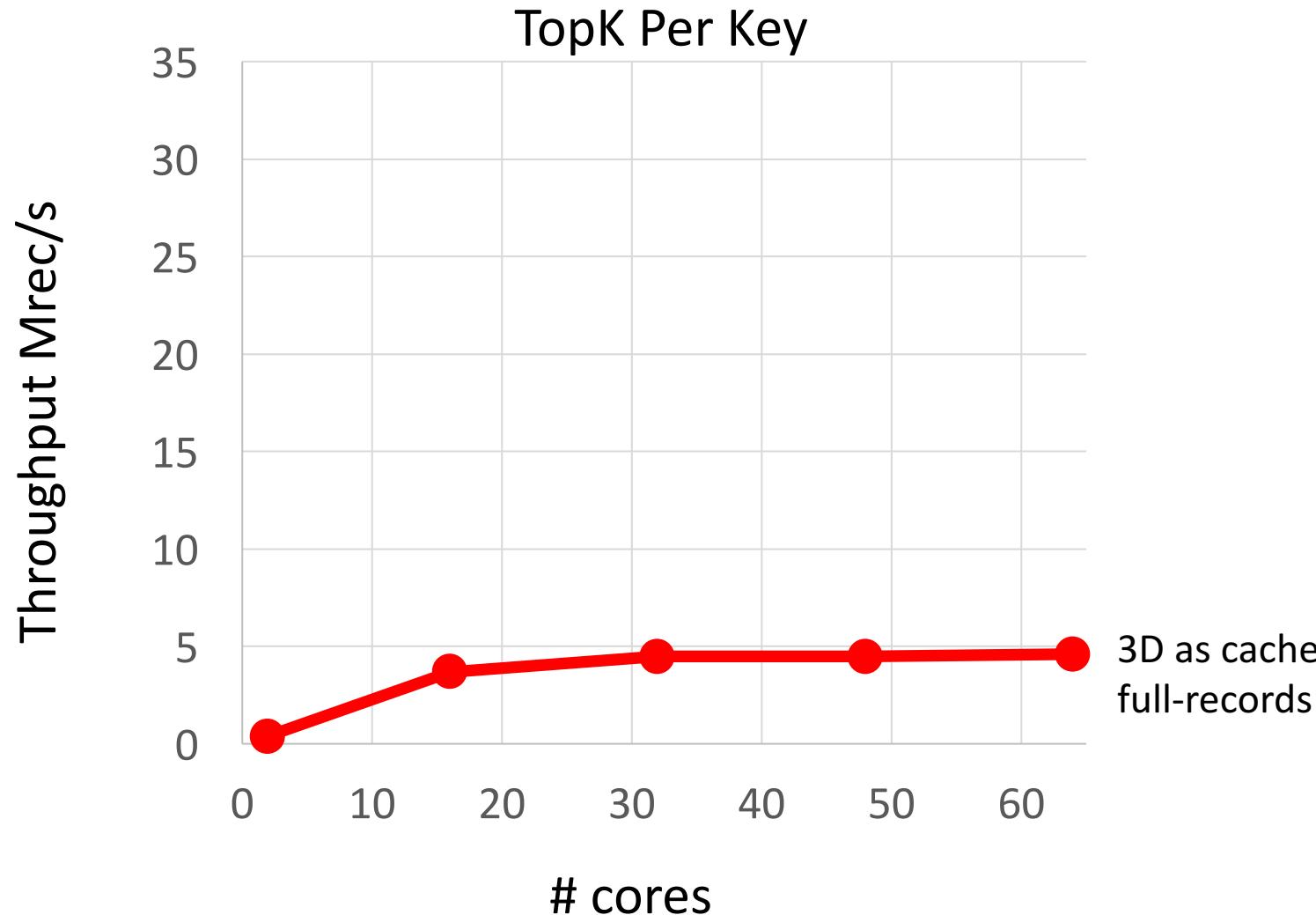
# StreamBox-HBM is 10x faster than Flink



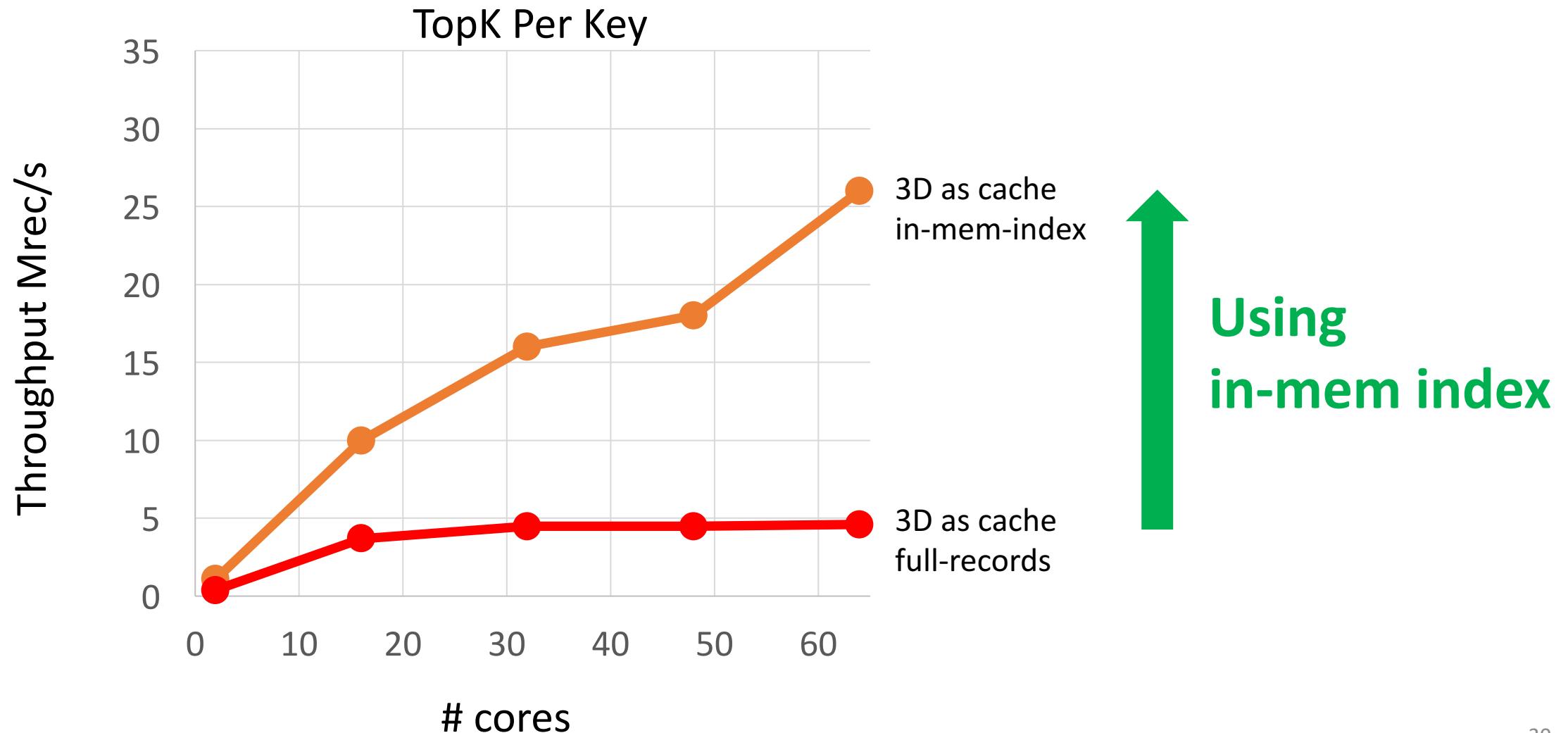
KNL: Intel Xeon Phi Knights Landing w/ HBM. 64 cores@1.3GHz. \$5,000  
x56: Intel Xeon E7-4830v4. 4x14 cores @2.0GHz. 256GB. \$23,000

Benchmark: Yahoo Stream Benchmark.  
Output delay: 1 second

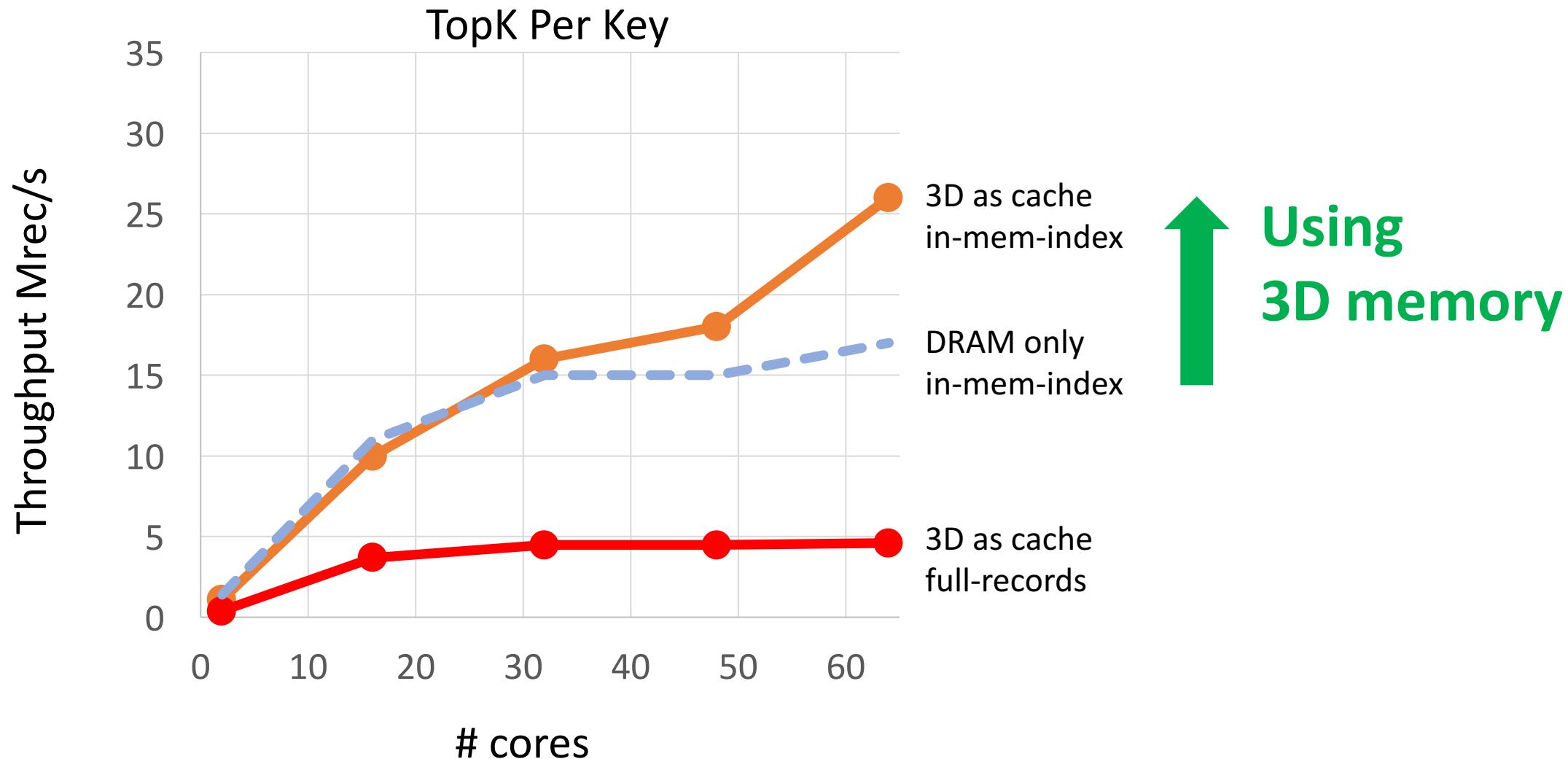
# Poor performance without any key designs



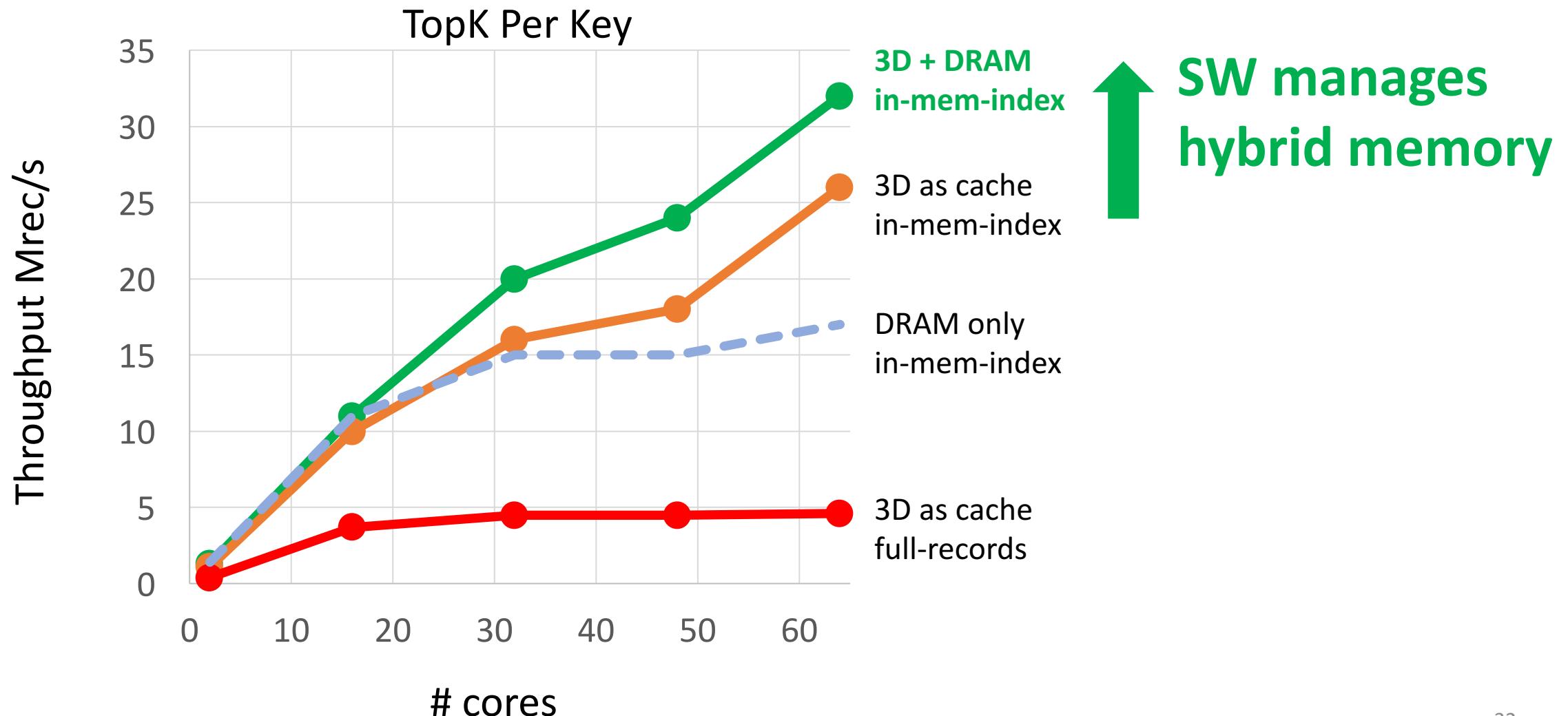
In-mem-index performs better than full-record



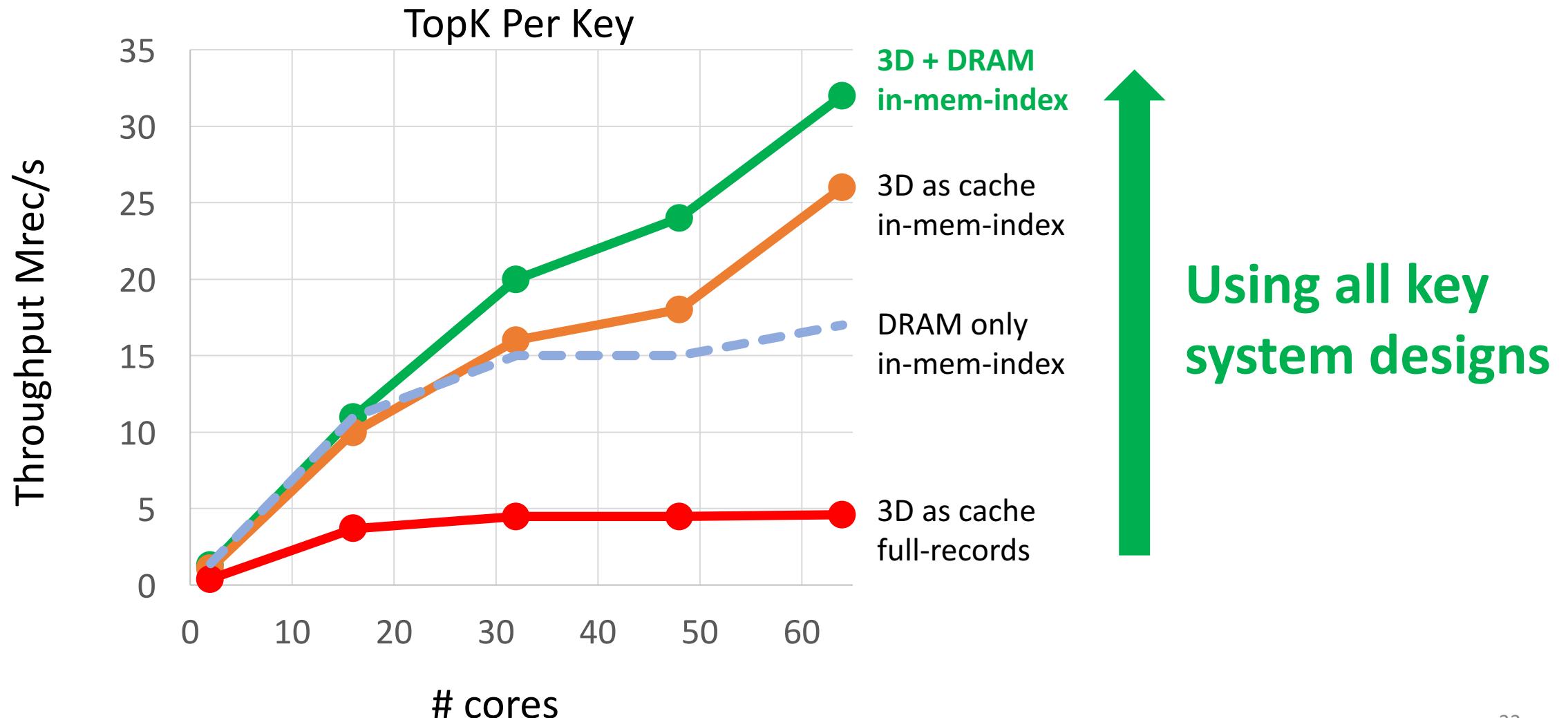
# 3D memory boosts performance



**SW** better manages hybrid memory than **HW**



# Performance improve with all system designs



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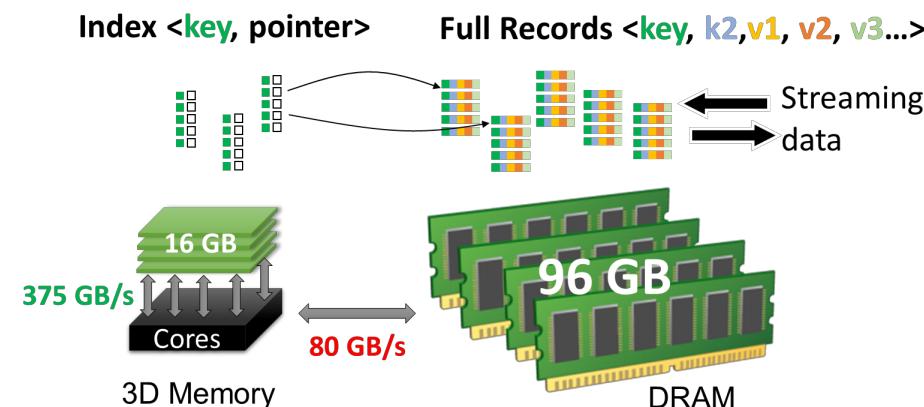
The first stream engine optimized for 3D Memory + DRAM on real hardware

## 1. Grouping with Sort

- Hash → Sort
- Abundant memory
- High parallelism
- Wide SIMD (avx512)
- Sequential access

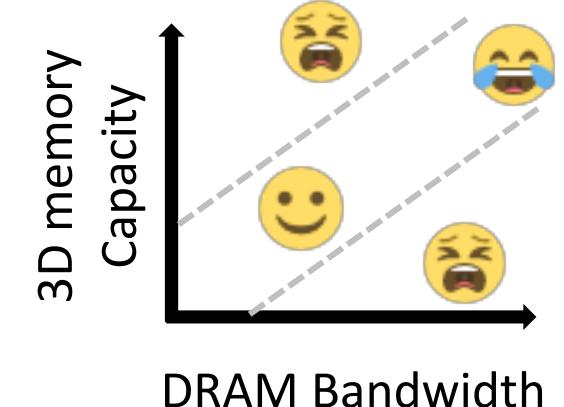
Exploit high bandwidth

## 2. In-memory index in 3D Memory



Minimize use of capacity

## 3. Mng hybrid mem



Balance limited resources

# Lessons on exploiting 3D memory + DRAM

