

Week 4

weight matrices ( $d_{\text{model}} \times d_k$ )  
 $64 \times 64 (16\text{KB}) \sim 1280 \times 80 (409\text{KB})$

$Q, K, V (n \times d_k)$   
 $40 \times 64 (10\text{KB}) \sim 384 \times 64 (98\text{KB})$

input tokens or output of previous  
 layer ( $n \times d_{\text{model}}$ )  
 $40 \times 64 (10\text{KB}) \sim 384 \times 1024 (1.5\text{MB})$

$x$

$W_q$

MatMul

$Q$

$Q \cdot K^T (n \times n)$

$40 \times 40 (6.4\text{KB}) \sim 384 \times 384 (589\text{KB})$

MatMul

Softmax

1. Nvidia:  $10 \cdot n \cdot n / v_l$  Ops (15 OPS  $\sim$  1440 OPS)
2. power series:  $x^k / k!$
3. look-up table

$A'$

$K^T$

Transpose

vector constant stride load (column  
 size) (DRAM  $\longleftrightarrow$  VRF)

$n \cdot n \cdot d_k / v_l$   
 100 MACs  $\sim$  147456 MACs

$W_k$

MatMul

$K$

$W_v$

MatMul

$V$

$n \cdot d_{\text{model}} \cdot d_k / v_l$   
 160 MACs  $\sim$  24576 MACs

self-attention ( $n \times d_k$ )  
 $40 \times 64 (10\text{KB}) \sim 384 \times 64 (98\text{KB})$

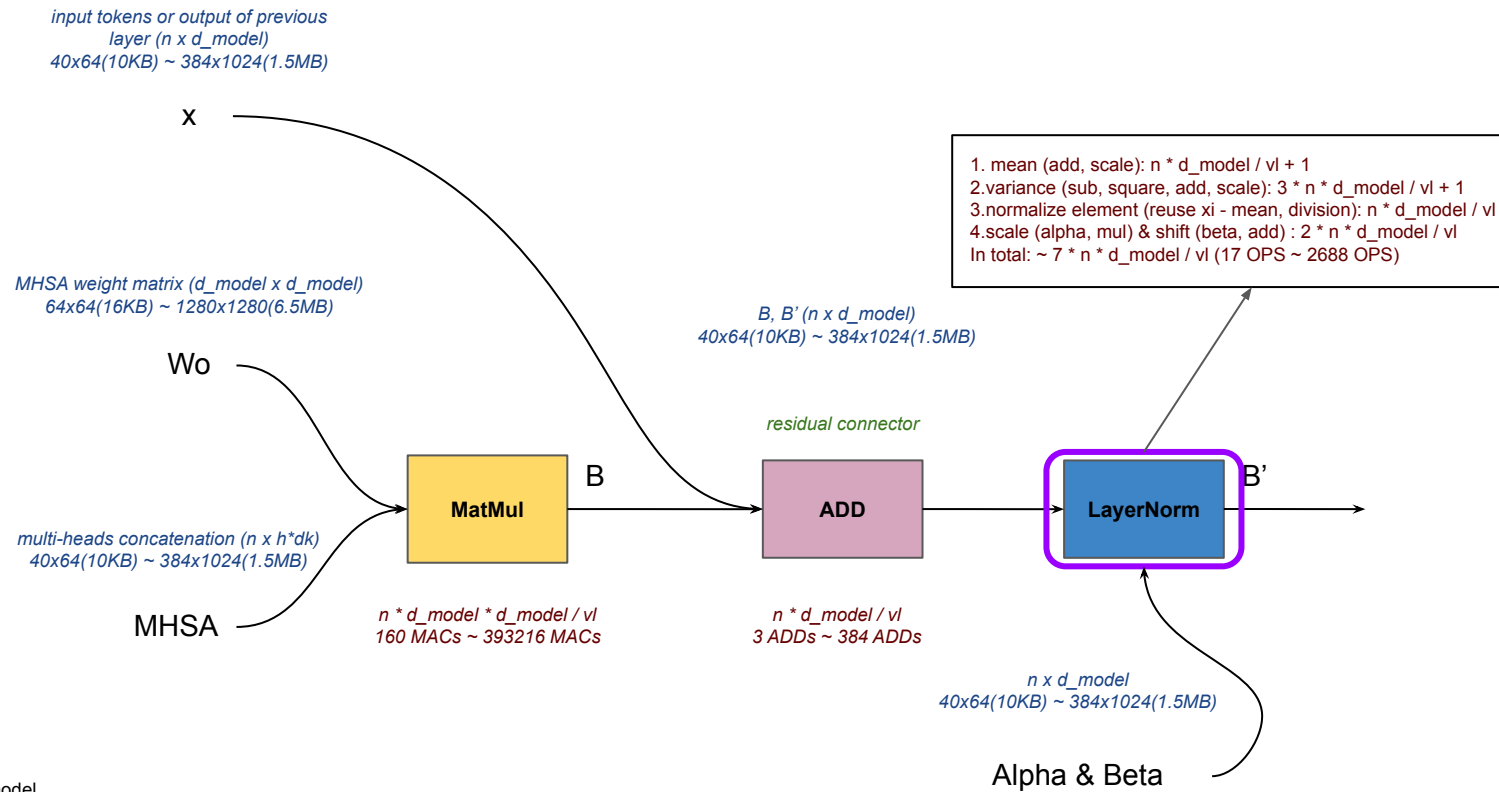
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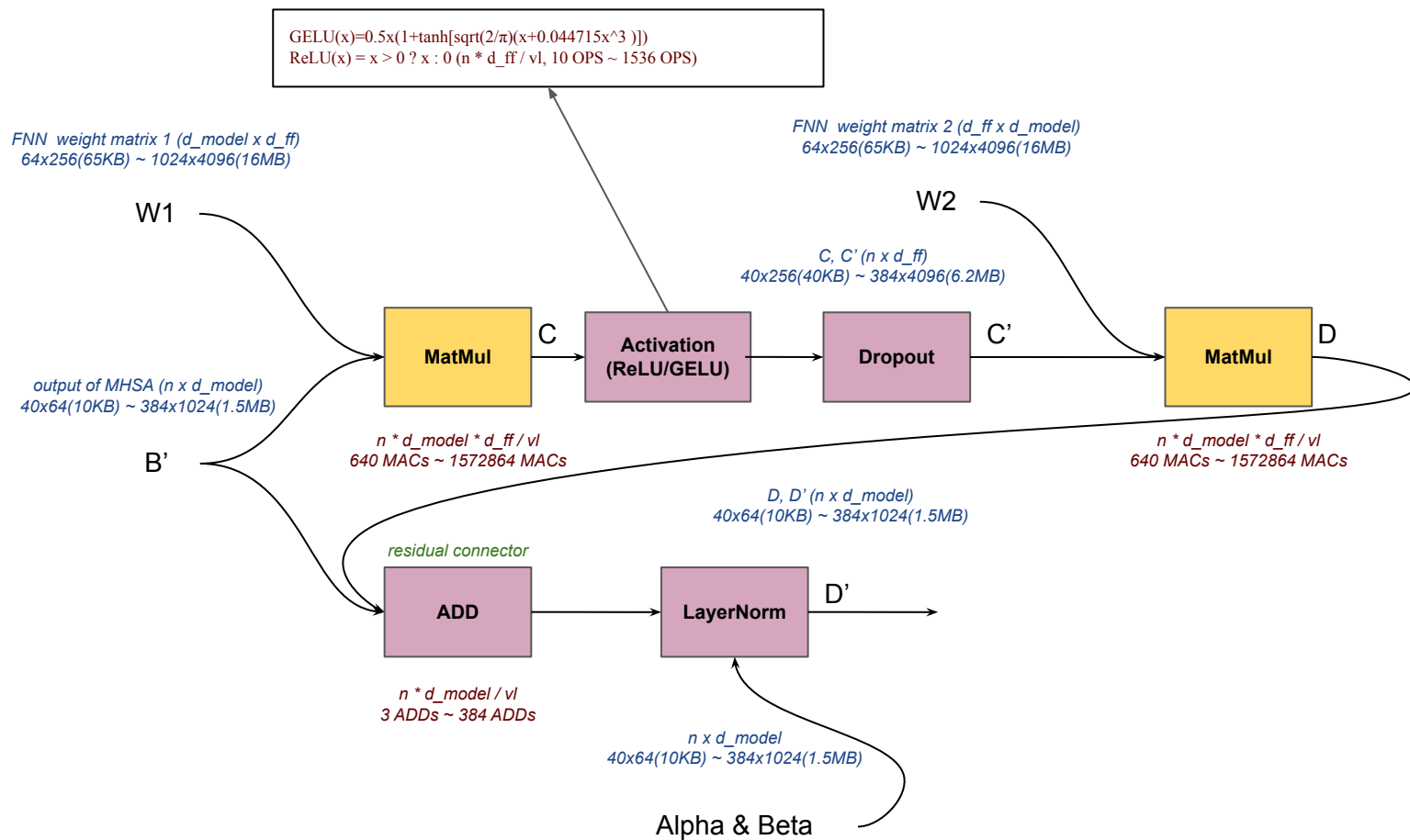
$n \cdot n \cdot d_k / v_l$   
 100 MACs  $\sim$  147456 MACs



: can be implemented differently



$h \times d_k = d_{\text{model}}$



# Literature Summary

## Transformer Models

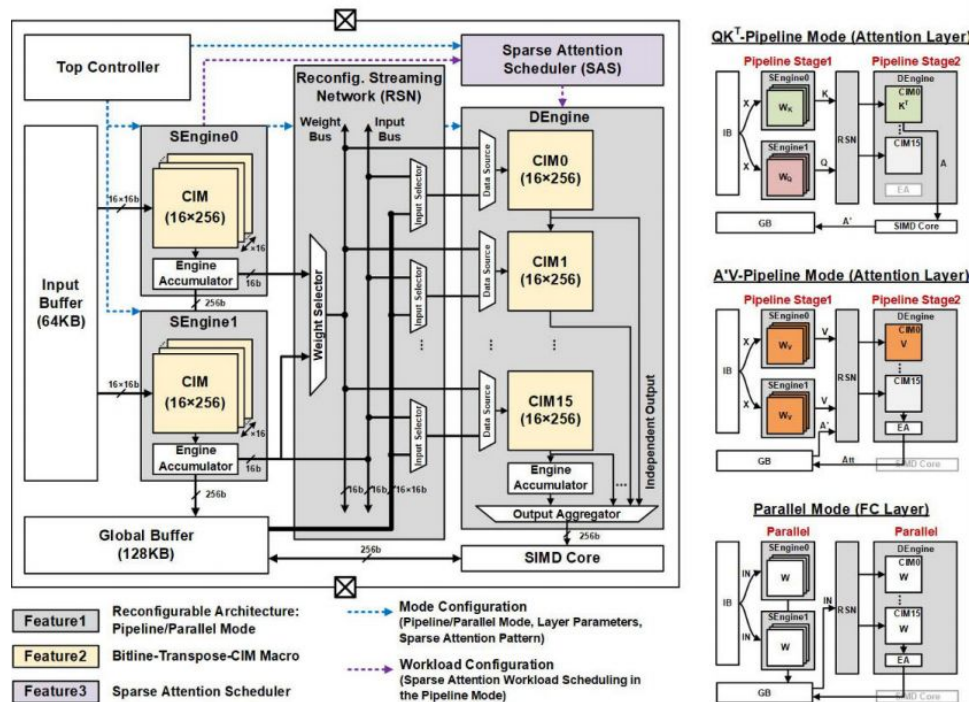
<https://gigantic-jaguar-faa.notion.site/Transformer-Models-0588076e72884d7c8fe3dcb272cb37cc>

## Transformer Accelerator Designs:

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# CIM-Based with Configurable Pipeline/Parallel Modes

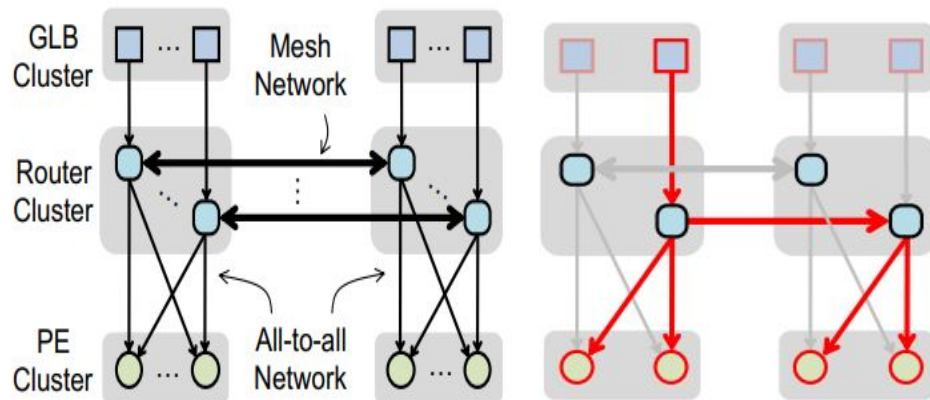
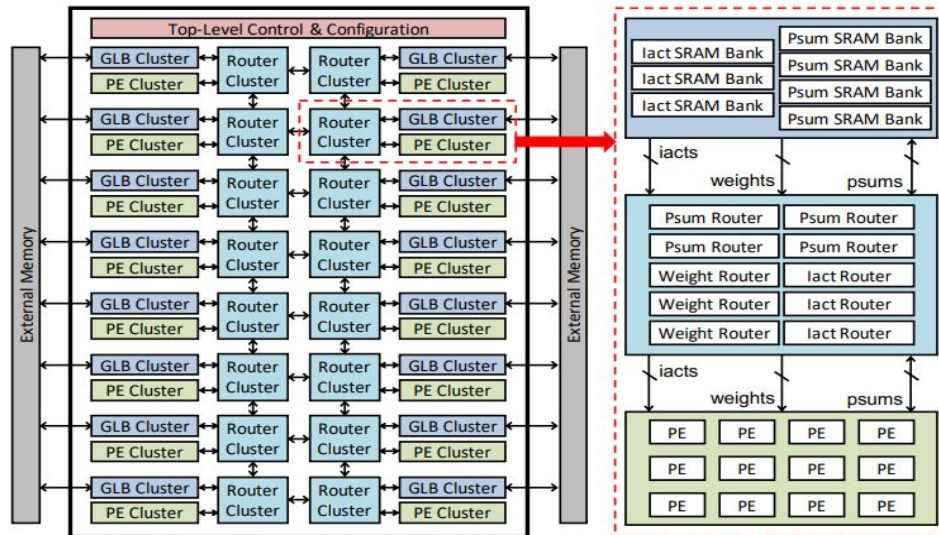
- 2 static engines(SEngine), 1 dynamic engine(DEngine) (data source selection, output aggregation)
- Parallel mode: all engines store FFN weights, run in parallel
- Pipeline mode
  - QK<sup>T</sup>: SE0, SE1 compute Q, K(first stage), DE computes A(A = Q\*K<sup>T</sup>, second stage), SIMD core for softmax, scaling A'
  - A'V: SE0, SE1 compute V, DE loads A' from global buffer and computes A'V
- Use pipeline for some kernels?  
(LayerNorm, softmax)



# Eyeriss v2

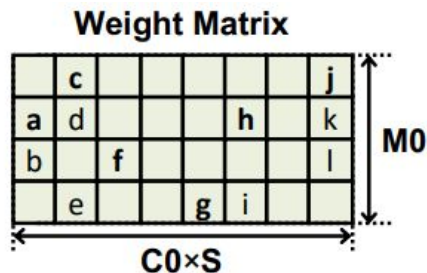
- 2D hierarchical mesh network

- a global buffer cluster (GLB, 12KB) is assigned for each PE cluster and connected to 2D mesh through a router
  - all-to-all network with two-level hierarchy (PE, cluster)
    - high-bandwidth: within cluster, unicast
    - high-reuse: broadcast to all PEs in another cluster
    - grouped/interleaved-multicast: multicast to some PEs in another cluster



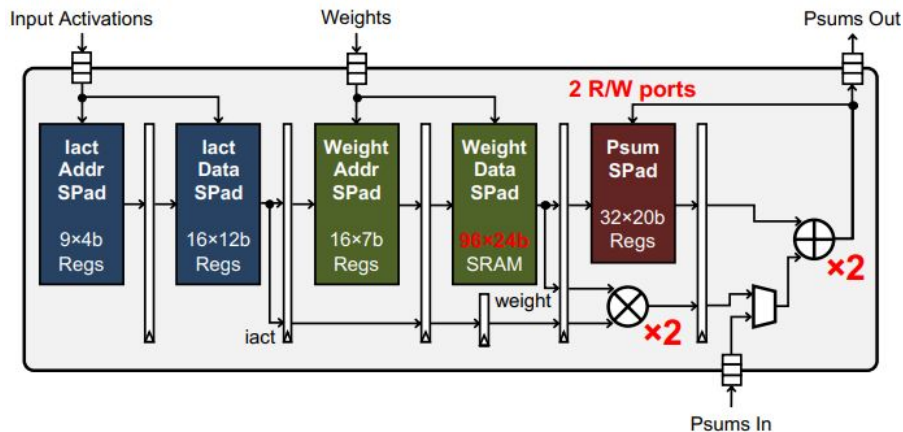
# Eyeriss v2

- Compressed sparse column(CSC):
  - Process data in compressed form: fewer bandwidth requirements, energy saving
  - data vector: all non-zero data
  - count vector: # leading zeros from the previous non-zero value (additional overhead)
  - address vector: indicates the column address of each data (start with 1)
- PE arch with sparsity consideration
  - read address vector first
  - 7-stage pipeline: fetch non-zero iacts from SPads → fetch non-zero weights → MAC
  - compatible with normal format (low sparsity) → clock gate address SPads, set count to zero
- Results:
  - TSMC 64nm, 200MHz, 192 PEs, 153.6GOPS



## CSC Compressed Data:

data vector: {a, b, c, d, e, f, g, h, i, j, k, l}  
 count vector: {1, 0, 0, 0, 1, 2, 3, 1, 1, 0, 0, 0}  
 address vector: {0, 2, 5, 6, 6, 7, 9, 9, 12}





# A LayerNorm Optimization Trick

- Standard:  $var(i) = \frac{1}{K} * \sum_{k=1}^K (x_{ik} - mean)^2$ 
  - Need to load  $x_{ik}$  twice, mean & variance stages
- Approximation:  $var(i) = mean^2 - \frac{1}{K} * \sum_{k=1}^K x_{ik}^2$ 
  - $x_{ij}^2$  can be calculated in the mean stage
- Accuracy effect (including quantization, softmax optimization):
  - BLEU score on “tst2014”: 23.48

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BLEU	TER	CTER	BLEU	TER	CTER
32.3	48.4	47.6	25.2	56.9	55.3
33.7	47.4	46.7	24.7	59.3	54.9
32.3	47.9	47.7	25.7	56.0	55.1
32.6	47.1	47.5	26.4	55.4	54.7
29.4	51.6	49.9	25.2	56.5	54.1
30.4	50.1	49.4	26.3	54.8	55.9
30.8	49.6	48.4	27.1	53.9	52.9
30.6	49.7	49.5	26.0	54.0	56.7
32.1	49.6	48.0	25.9	56.1	54.1
30.8	50.3	49.5	24.6	56.8	55.7
30.9	50.1	49.5	24.9	56.2	55.5
33.4	47.1	46.7	26.2	56.4	54.1
34.2	46.5	46.9	27.6	53.1	55.6
33.8	46.7	46.9	27.9	53.2	54.3