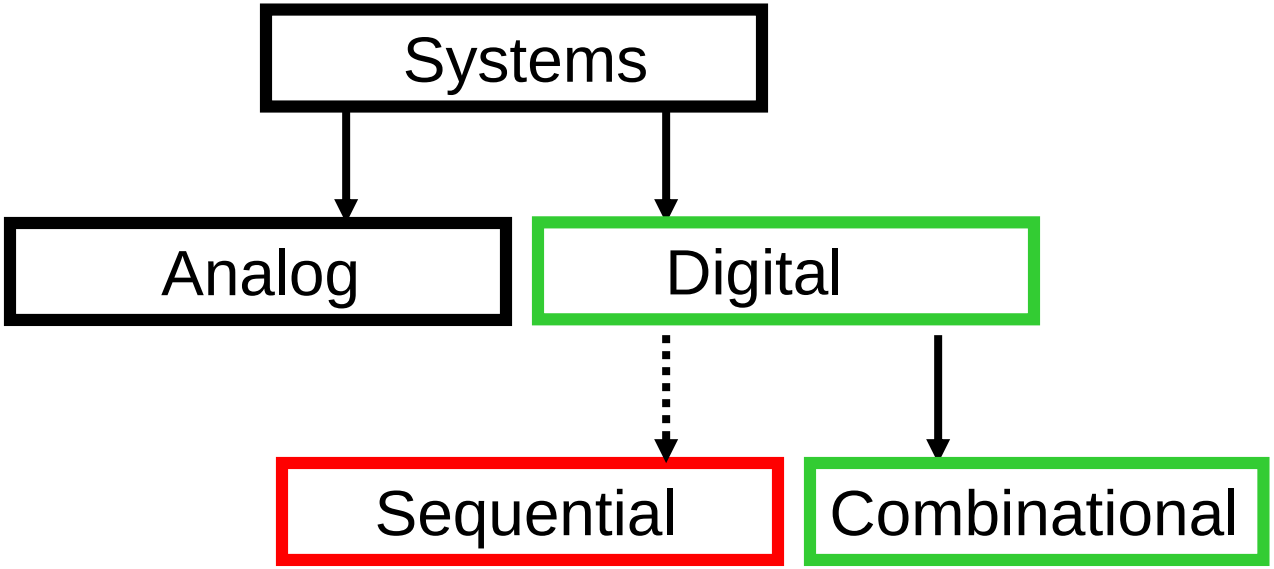
Sequential Logic Circuits

REGISTERS and RAM (Memory)


Systems
Analog
Digital
Sequential
Combinational

Combinational Logic Circuits

- The logic circuits [adders, decoders, encoders and multiplexers …] that we used or designed **up to now** are referred as "combinational logic circuits"
- In the combinational logic, time is not involved
- Output = *f* (current inputs)

Logic circuits with **no** memory = Memoryless

Memory

- In computer systems, memory is also a major component.
- The need to store prior information (data) is a must …
- Computers store data in a variety of memories (RAM, Flash, ROM, ….)
- Logic circuits that store data dynamically are referred as “Sequential Logic Circuits”.

Sequential Logic Circuits

- Time is involved …
- The output(s) depends on **past** **as well as present inputs.**
- Output = *f* (current inputs, past inputs, past outputs)
- The output(s) are known as **states.**

Logic circuits **with** memory

Sequential Logic Circuits

- The basic component of a sequential logic circuit is a logic device that is referred as **Latch/ Flip-Flop**
- Latches and Flip-Flops store a single bit of data until the stored value is overwritten.

Latches, Flip Flops

- Latch: [level sensitive storage element]
- Flip-Flop: [edge triggered storage element]

Types of Latches:

- S-R latch, J-K latch, D latch (= gated D latch)

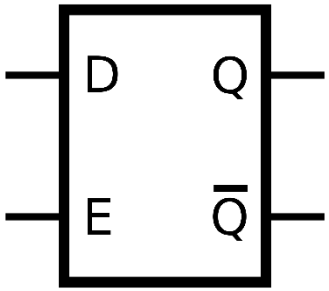
Types of Flip-Flops (FF):

- D-FF, D-FF with enable, Scan-FF, JK-FF, T-FF.

D-Flip Flop (D-FF)

- A logic device that stores one bit of binary data.
- The value of the stored bit is "Flipped" back and forth between the two binary states (1 and 0).
- Note that the D type Flip-Flop is the easiest basic sequential device that can be "understood" and used in design.
- D = Data of Delay

D-FF (Truth Table)

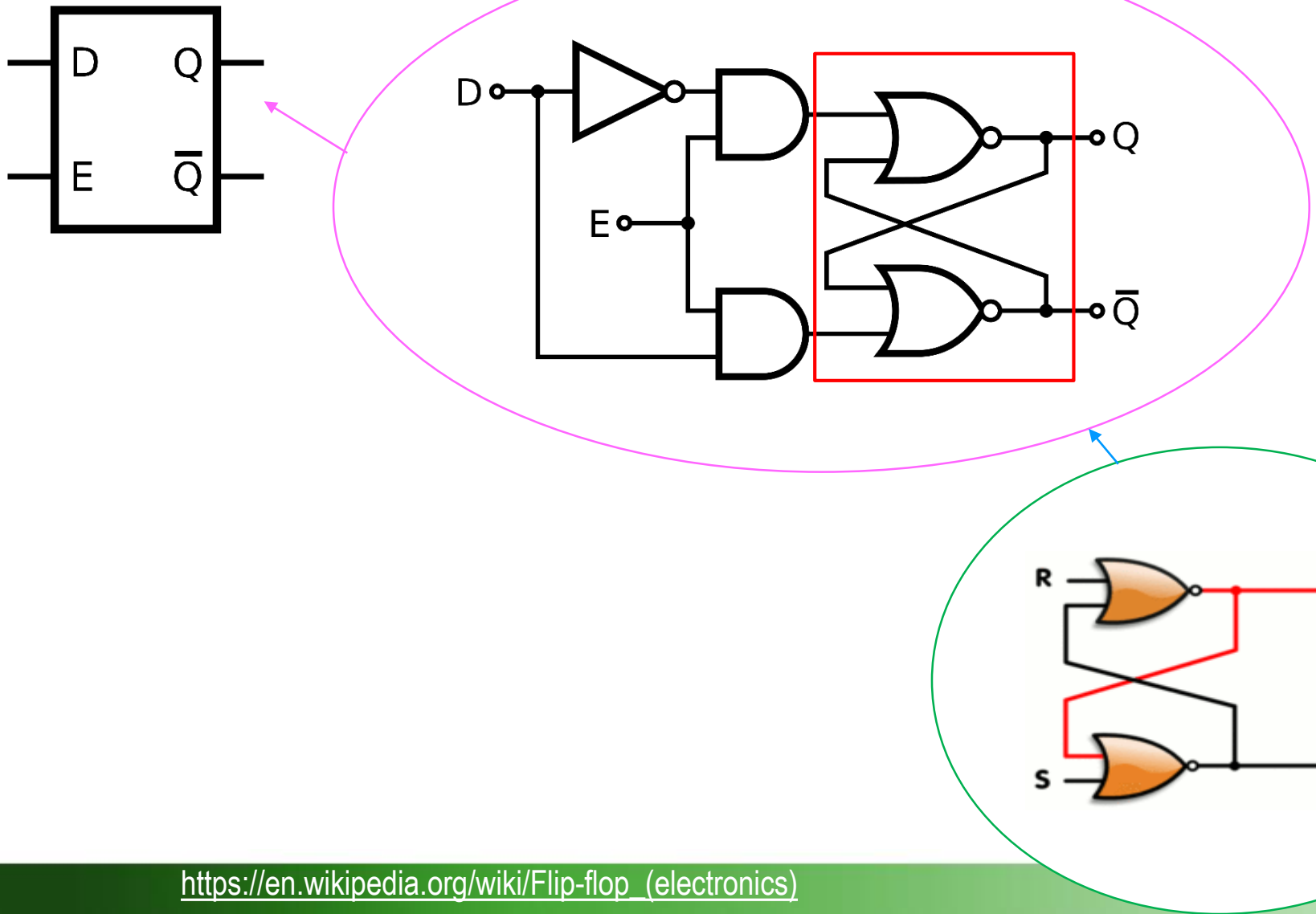


D	Q	State
0	0	reset
1	1	set

Q = D

D = Input
Q = Output
E = Enable or Clock (CLK)

Inside a D-FF …



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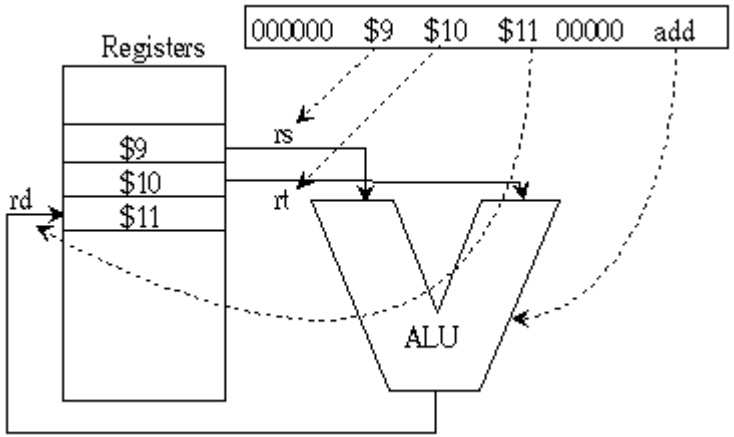
Flip Flops are “Tools”

- The Flip-Flops are the “Tools” to (understand) design …
  - Registers
  - Digital (Binary) Counters
  - RAM

Registers



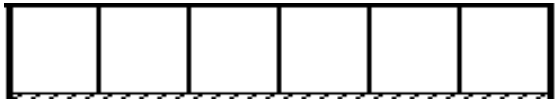
MIPS

Register Number	Mnemonic Name
$0	zero
$1	$at
$2, $3	$v0, $v1
$4–$7	$a0–$a3
$8–$15	$t0–$t7
$16–$23	$s0–$s7

Register

Dynamic logic elements capable of storing an array of bits.

6-bit Register



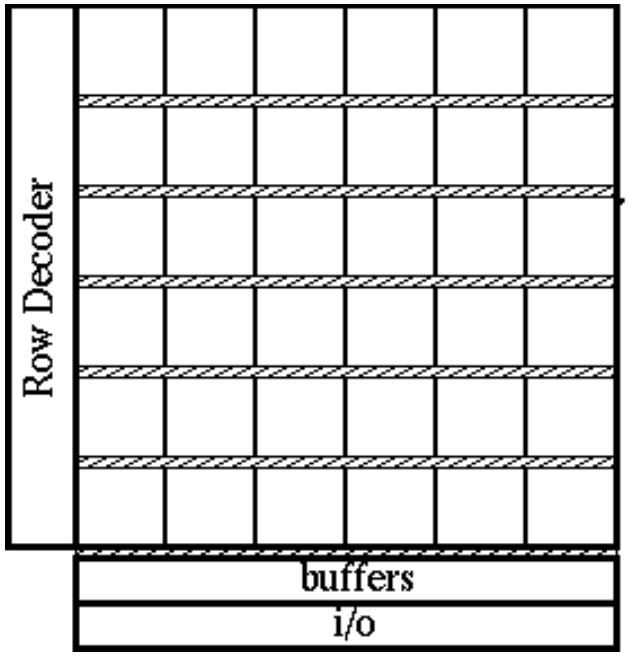
32-bit Register

101011	10011	01000	0000 0000 0011 0100

Memory system

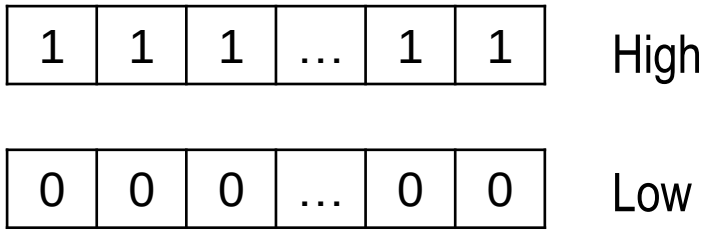
Dynamic logic elements of storing a matrix of bits.

36-bit Memory



Register

- A temporary storage logic component
- It is completely transparent to user, and even to programmer (except Assembly Language)
- A n-bit register is capable of storing n-bit numbers in the range:



Therefore

Latch (Flip-Flop): Can store **a single bit**

Register: Can store an **array of bits**

Memory: Can store a **matrix of bits**

Registers: RISC-V CPUs

Register	ABI Name	Description	Saver
x0	zero	Hard-wired zero	—
x1	ra	Return address	Caller
x2	sp	Stack pointer	Callee
x3	gp	Global pointer	—
x4	tp	Thread pointer	—
x5–7	t0–2	Temporaries	Caller
x8	s0/fp	Saved register/frame pointer	Callee
x9	s1	Saved register	Callee
x10–11	a0–1	Function arguments/return values	Caller
x12–17	a2–7	Function arguments	Caller
x18–27	s2–11	Saved registers	Callee
x28–31	t3–6	Temporaries	Caller
f0–7	ft0–7	FP temporaries	Caller
f8–9	fs0–1	FP saved registers	Callee
f10–11	fa0–1	FP arguments/return values	Caller
f12–17	fa2–7	FP arguments	Caller
f18–27	fs2–11	FP saved registers	Callee
f28–31	ft8–11	FP temporaries	Caller

Types of Registers

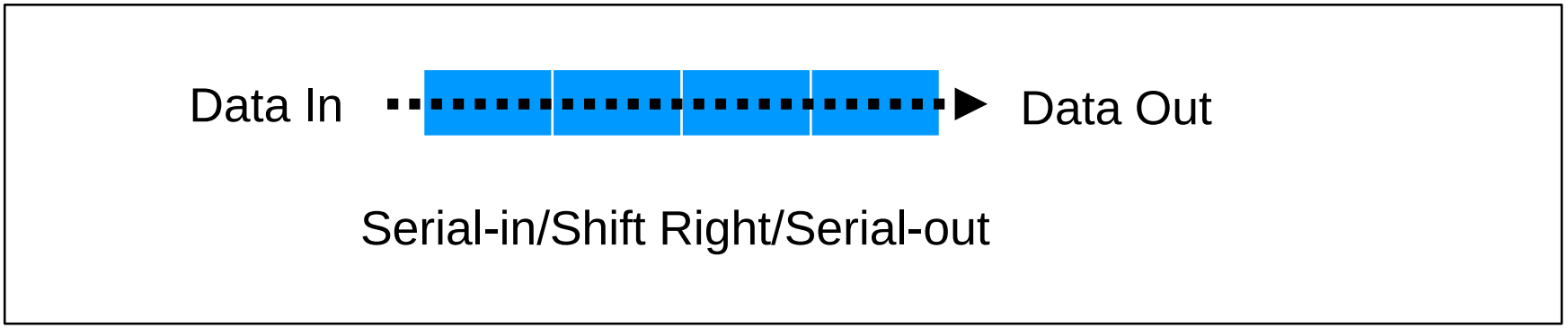
- Processor registers
- Data registers
- Address registers
- Conditional registers
- Special registers
- Control and status registers (PC & IR)
- Floating point registers
- …..
- Shift registers.

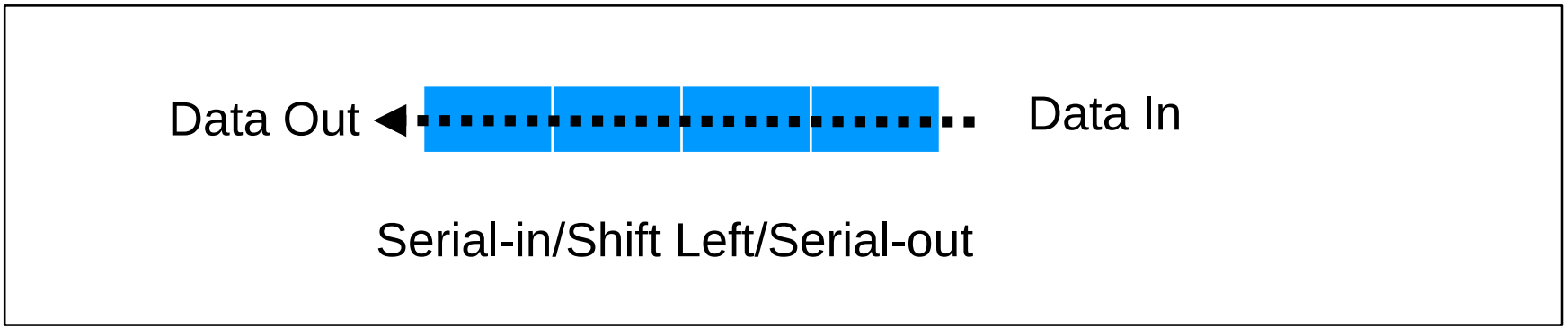
Shift Register

- A register that its contents are shifted …
- How?

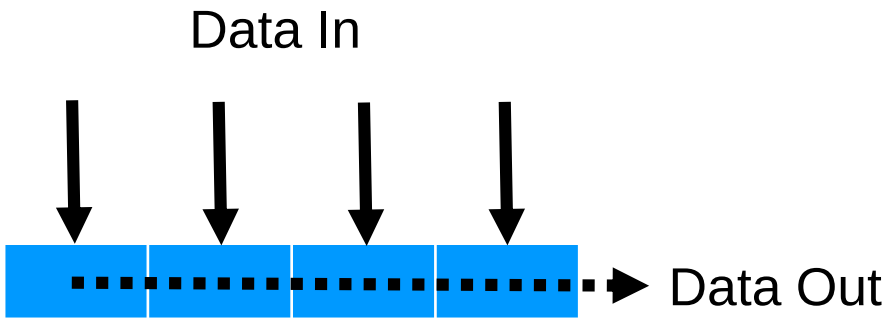
4-bit Register

Shift right and left (4-bit register)

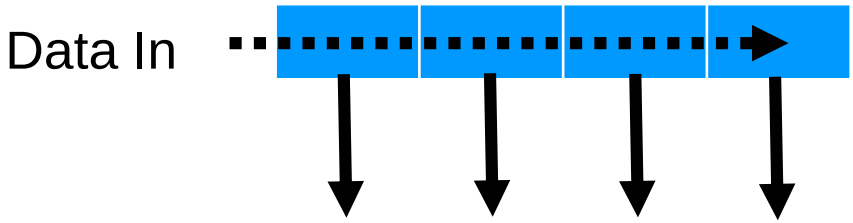




Parallel/Serial (4-bit register)

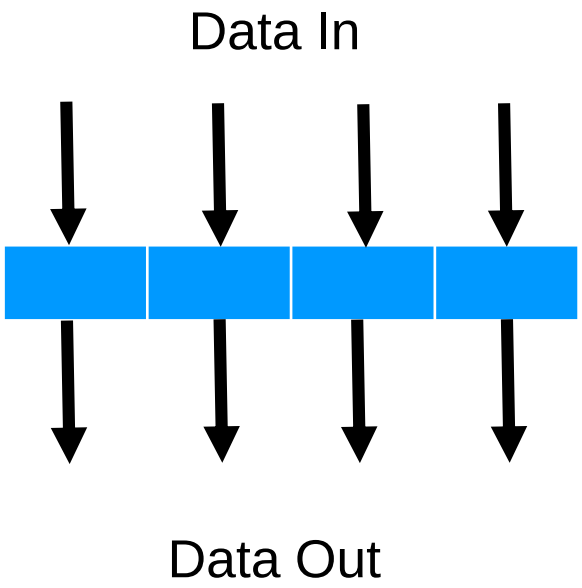


Data Parallel-in/ Data Serial-out

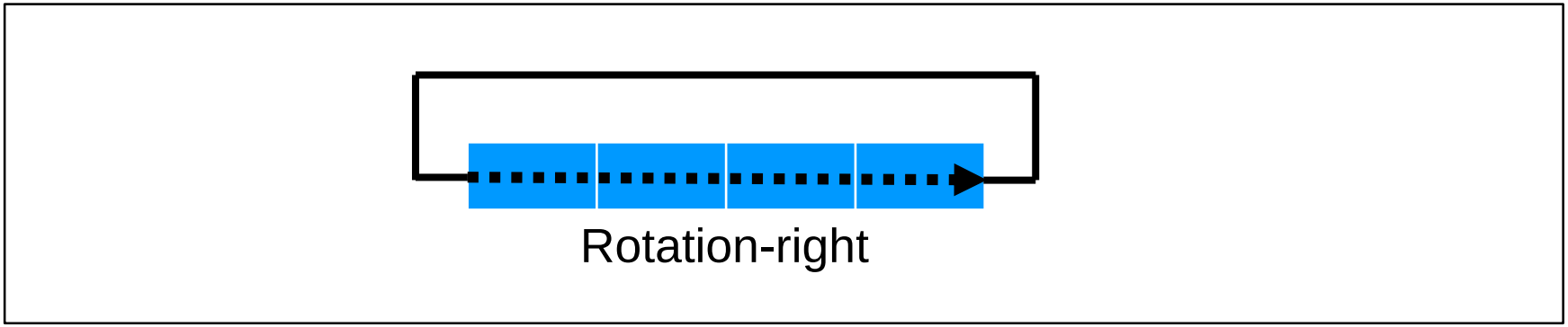


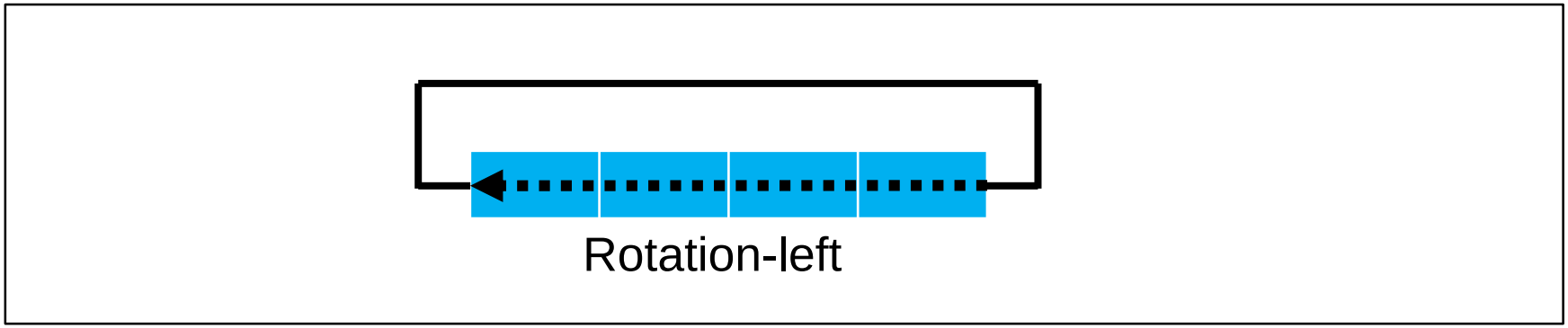
Data Serial-in/ Data Parallel-out

Buffer (Data Parallel-in/ Data Parallel-out)



Data movement





Registers (Examples)

1. Data Parallel-in / Data Parallel-out
2. Data Serial-in / Data Parallel-out
3. Data Serial-in / Data Serial-out

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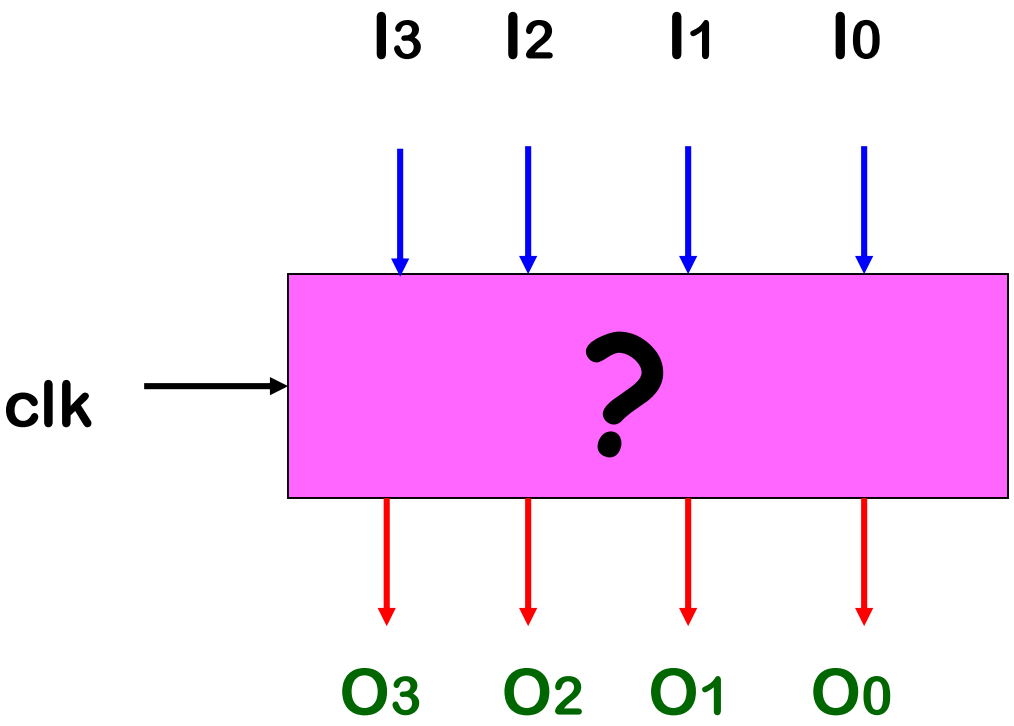

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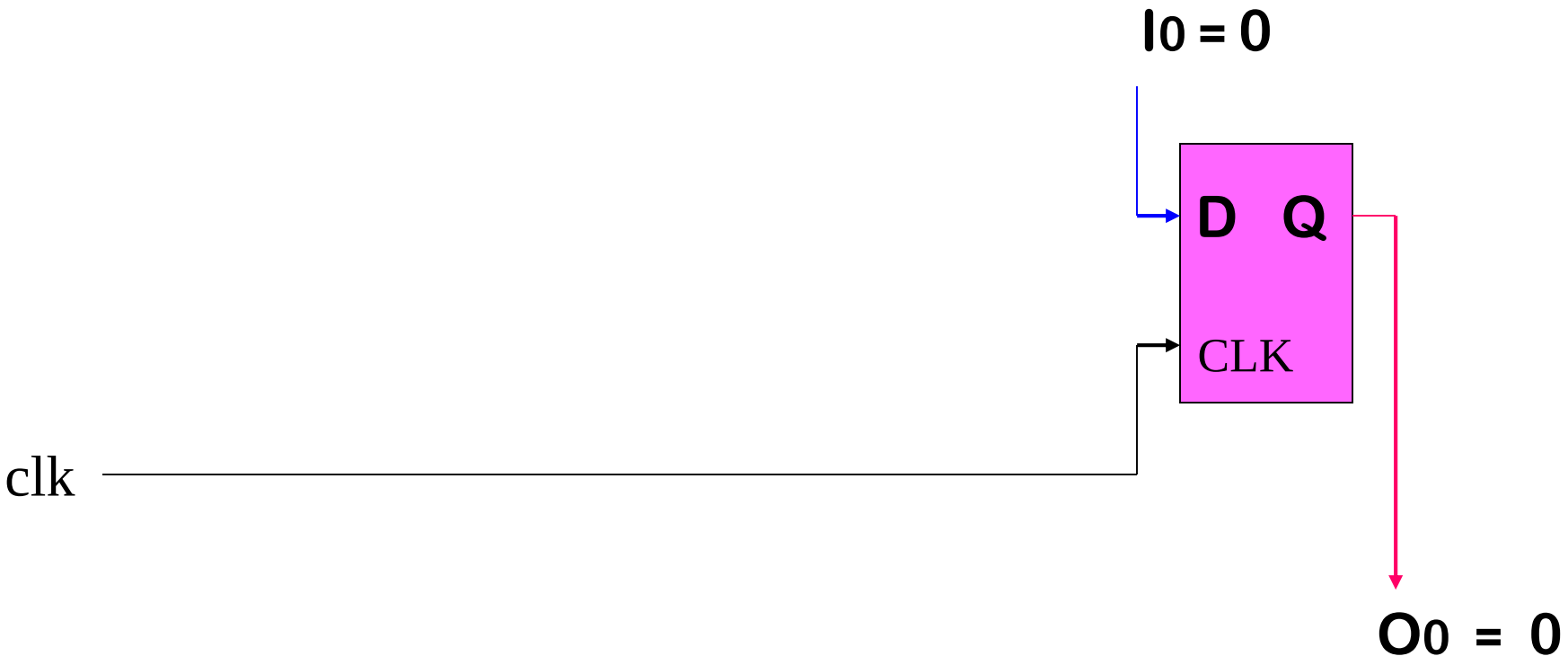

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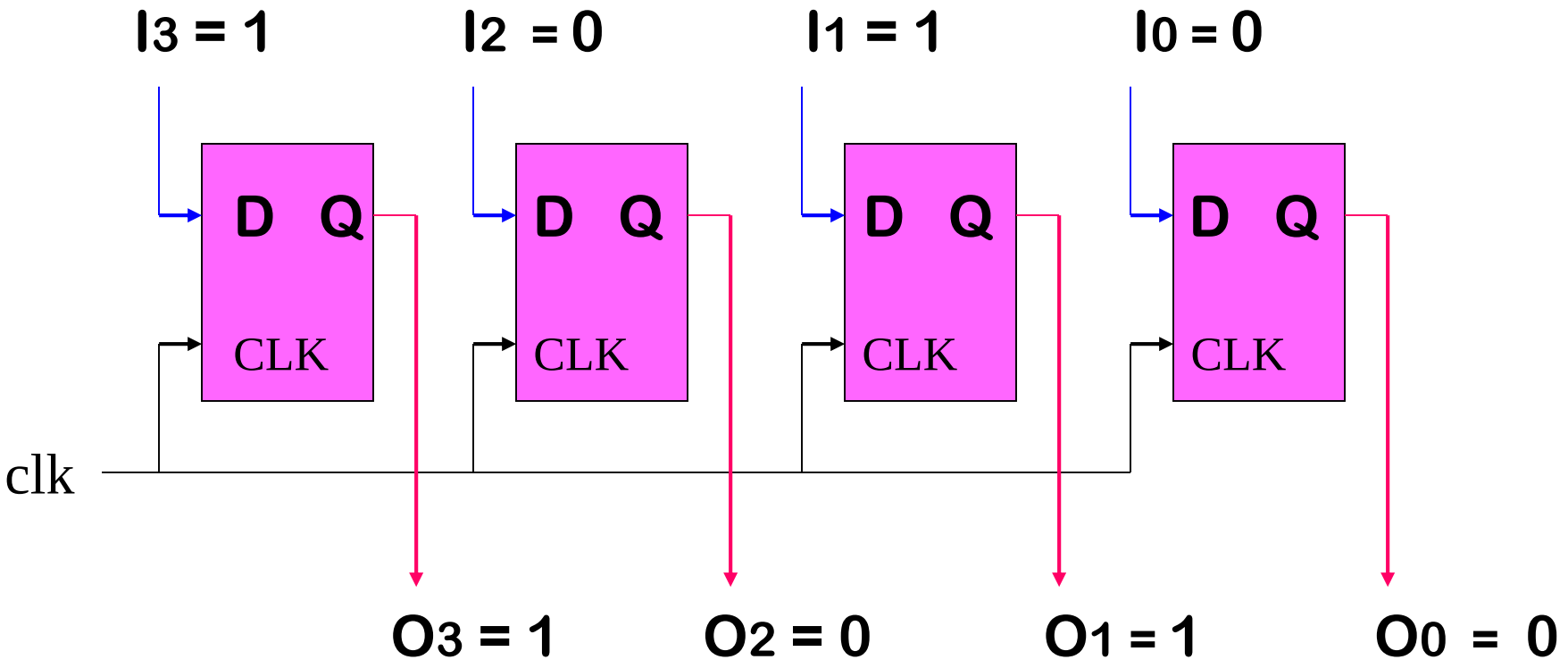

The data stored in the register are available at all time at the output lines

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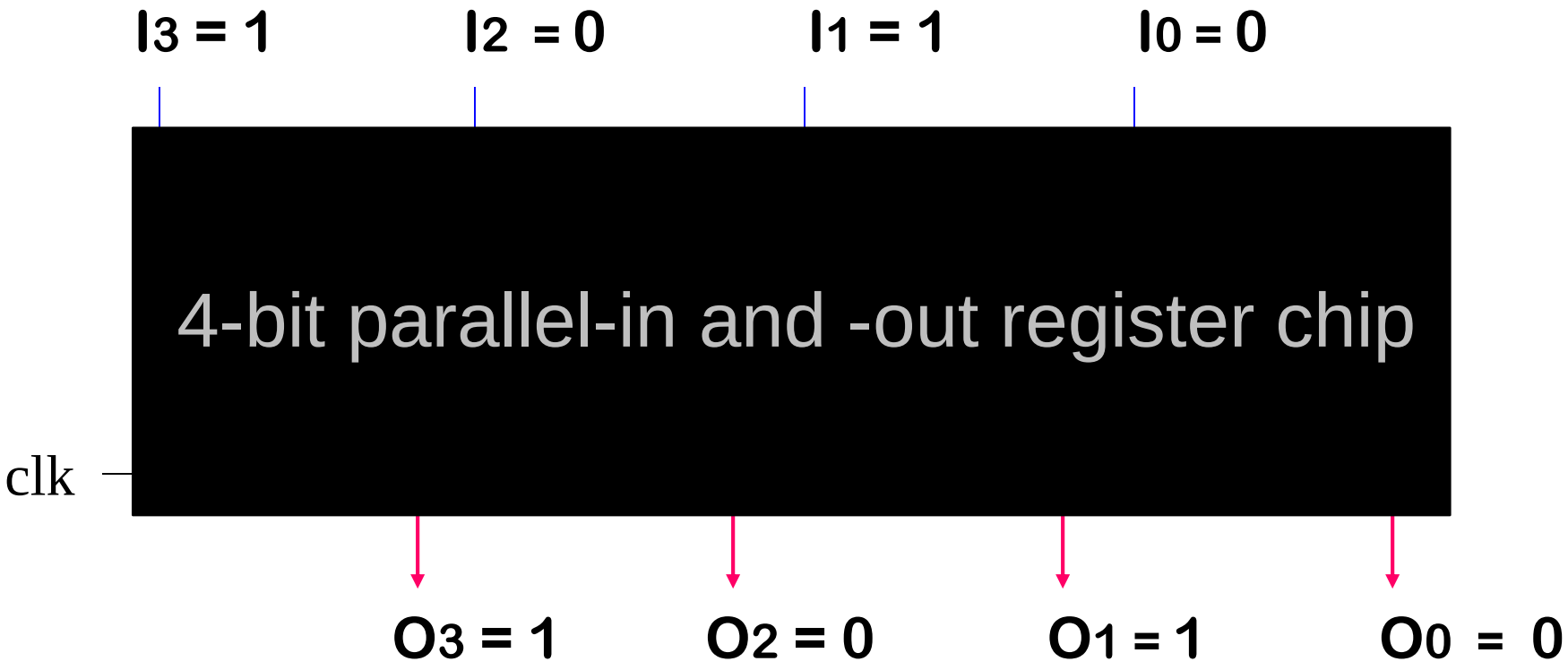

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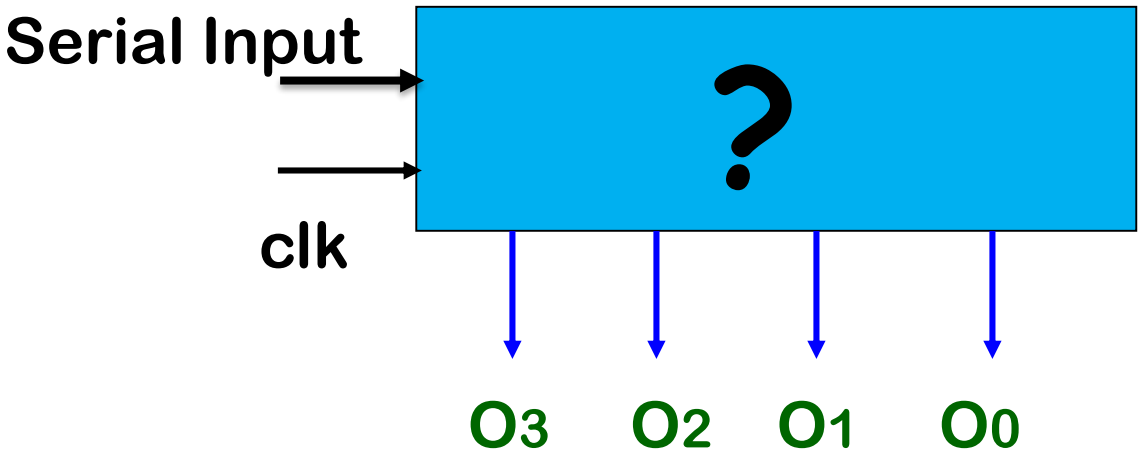

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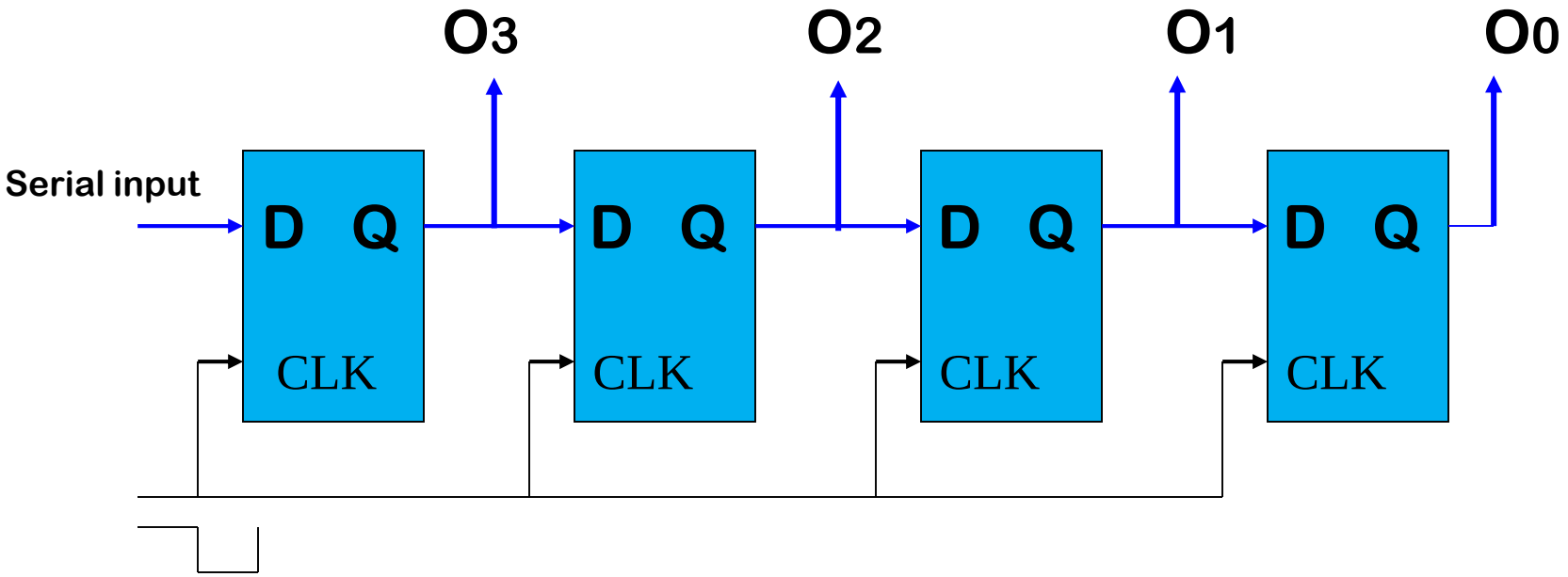

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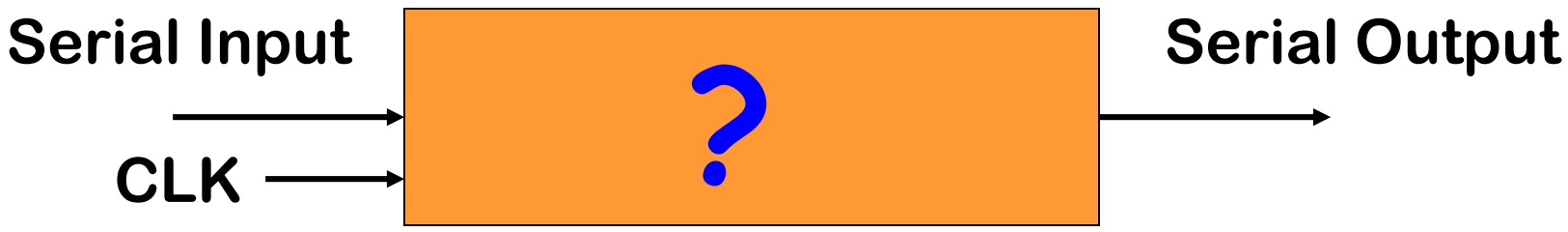

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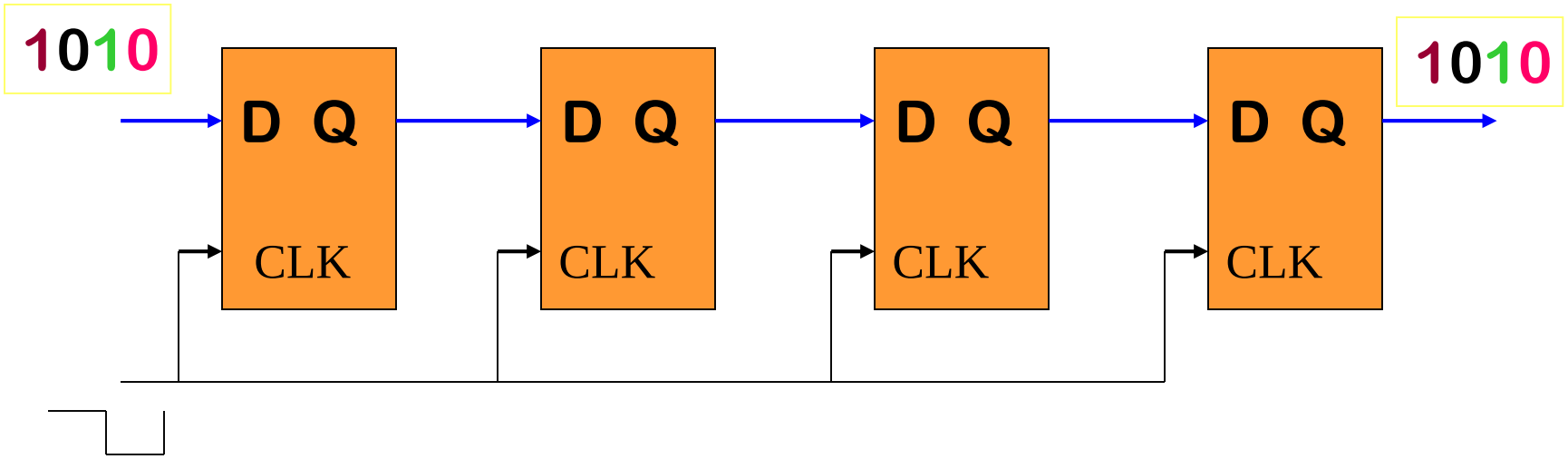
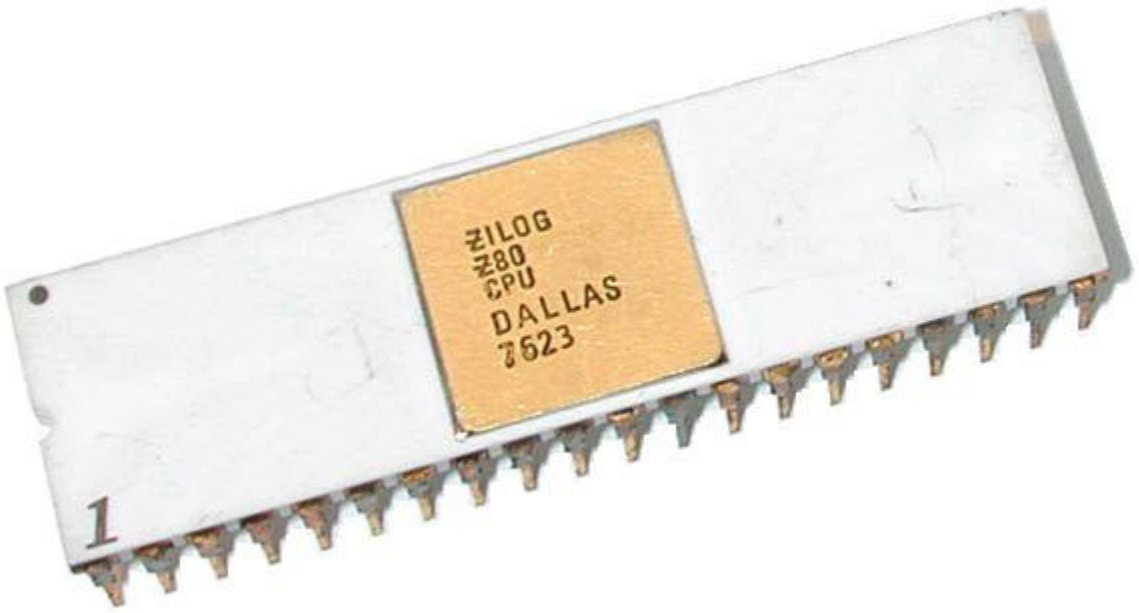
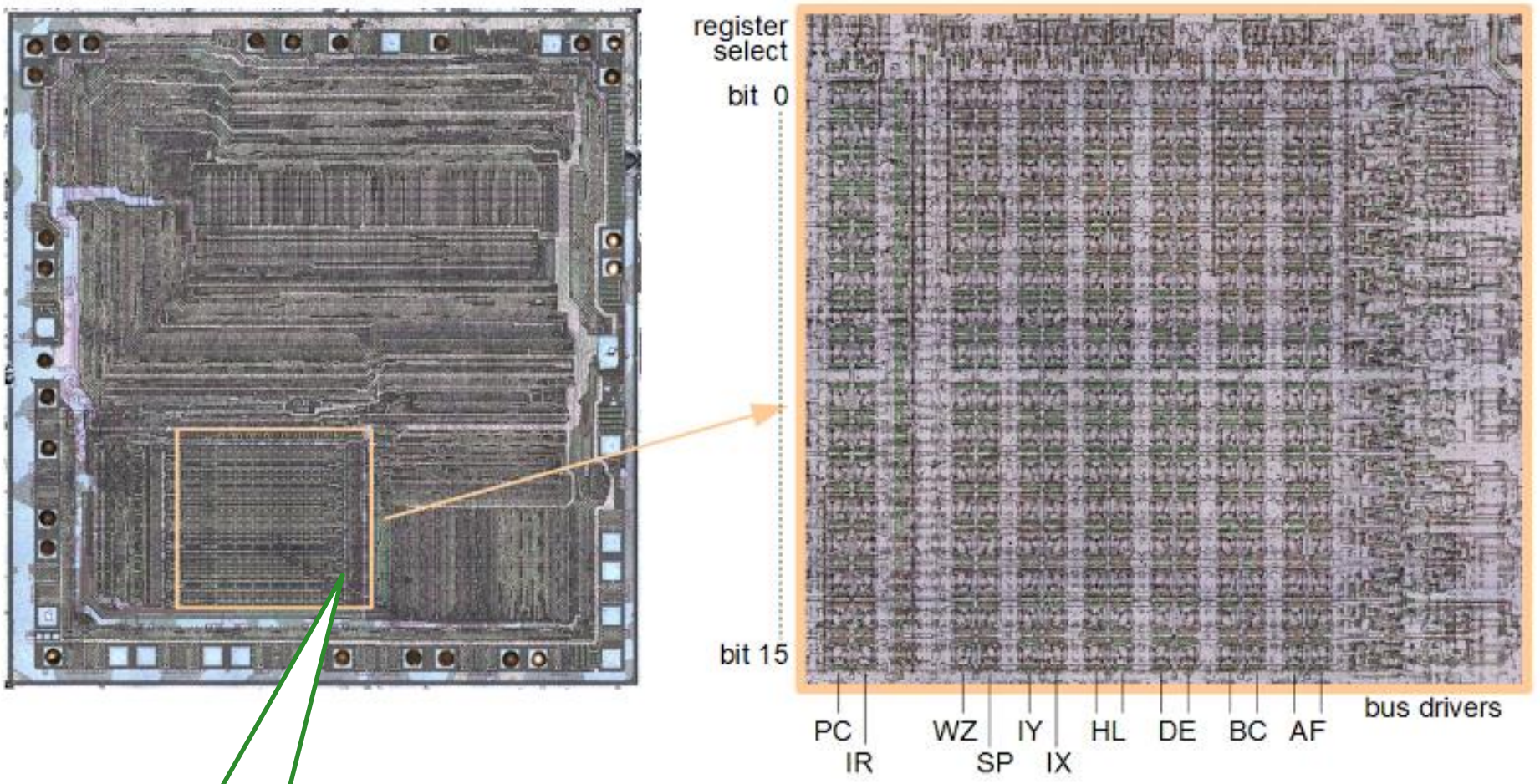




Z80 CPU

Die of the Z80 microprocessor (CPU)



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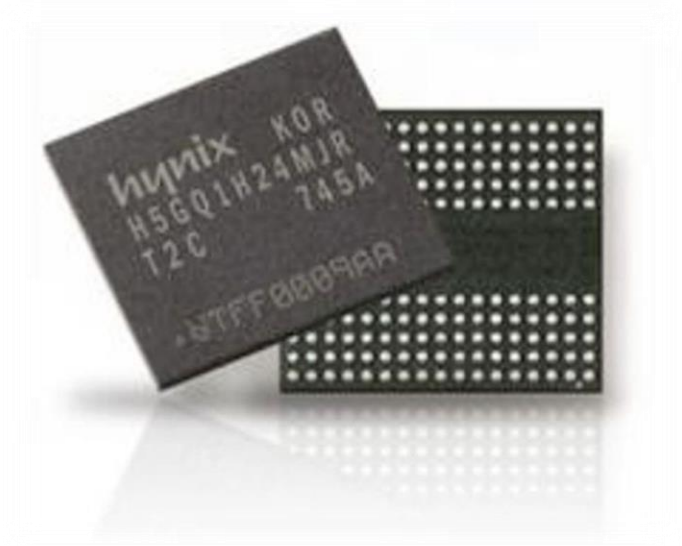
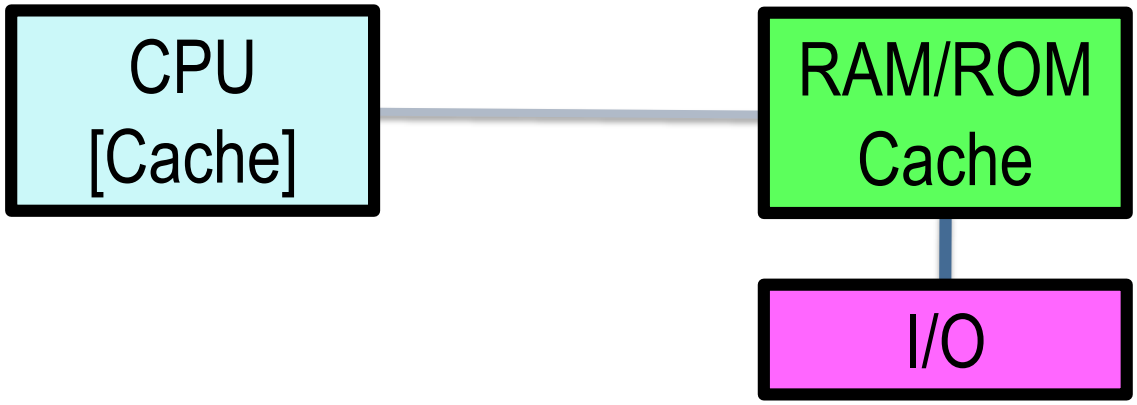


ROM…RAM…Cache (Memories)



Types of Memory

- ROM
- RAM
- Cache (?)
- Flash (?)

Types of Memory

- ROM (read-permanent)
- RAM (read/write-temporary)
- Cache (very fast RAM-temporary)
- Flash (new fast RAM-permanent)

Types of Memory

- ROM
- RAM
- Cache
- Flash
- Magnetic disc (Hard, Floppy, Zip, …)
- Tape
- Optical (CD-ROM, CD-R, CD-RW, WORM, DVD-ROM)

ROM++

- PROM (Programmable ROM)
- EPROM (Erasable Programmable ROM)
- EEPROM (Electrically EPROM)

RAM

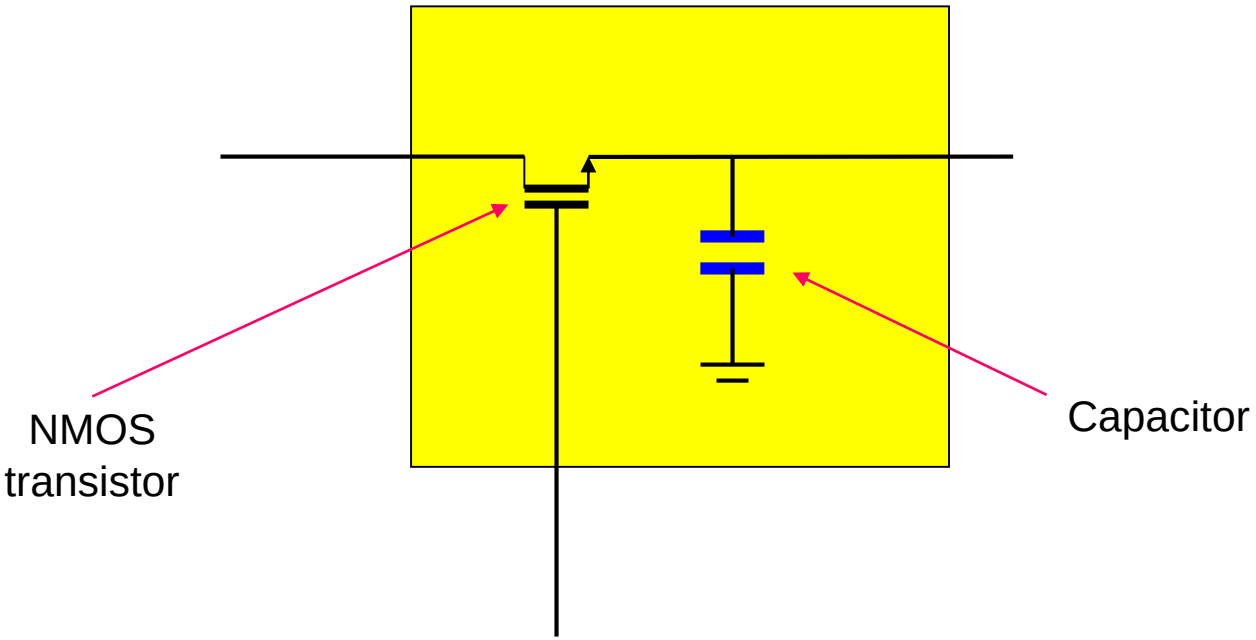
- Dynamic → D-RAM
- Static → S-RAM
- Video → V-RAM

- How do use D-RAM and S-RAM ?

D-RAM

- Good for large memory systems
- Low cost: Requires 1 transistor for storing
- Requires refreshing (recharging), thousands of times per second, of the stored information (electric charge in a capacitor) as it loses the data.

D-RAM basic memory cell



NMOS (N-type metal-oxide-semiconductor)

Refreshing

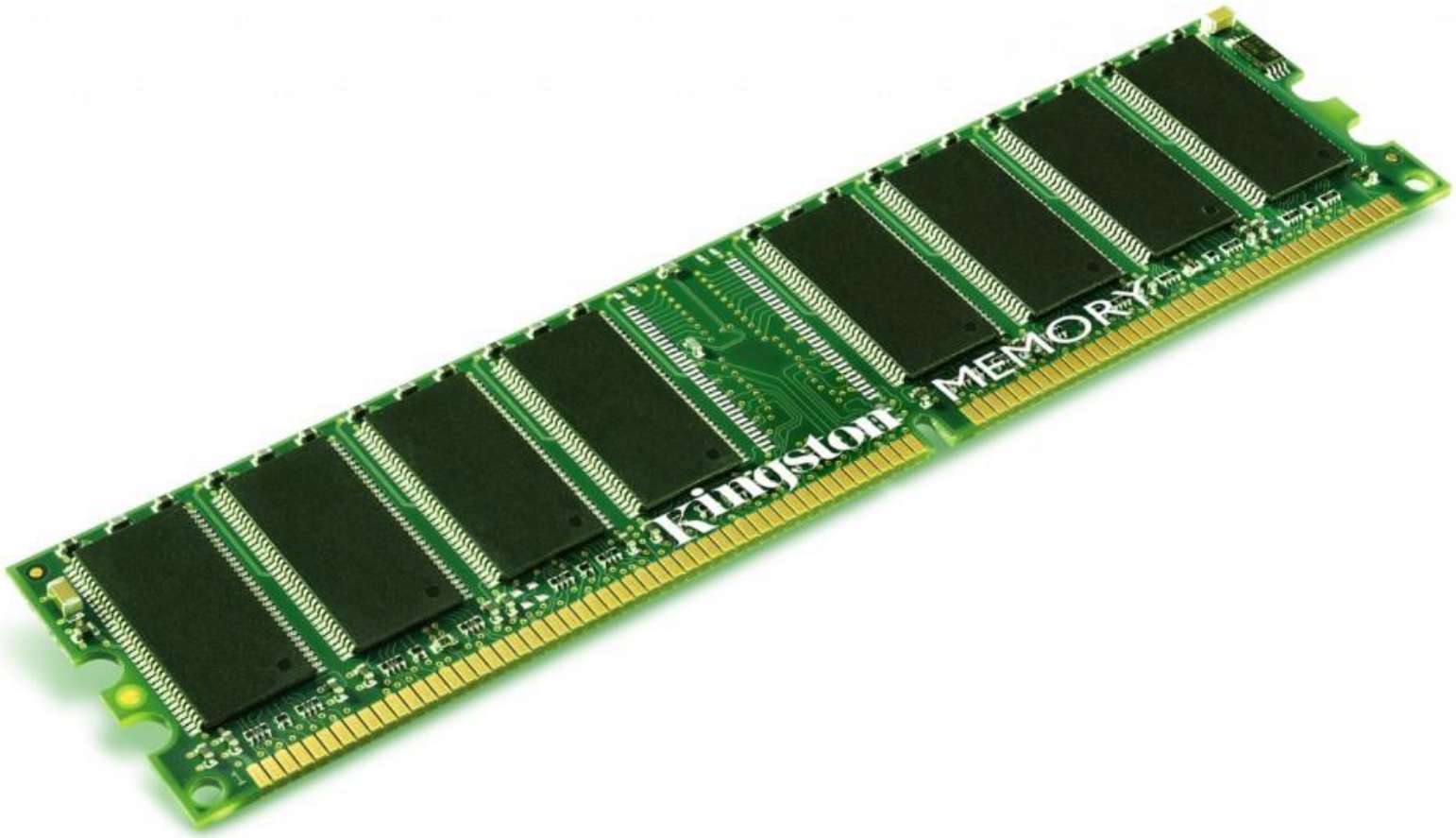
- Typical refresh rates: 7.8, 15.6, …,128 µsec
- Refreshing is done…
  - Counters, Voltage pulses
  - “Self-refresh mode”
  - [Memory chip controller (MCC)]

D-RAM is the …

- ?...? Memory

D-RAM is the …

- Main (system) Memory



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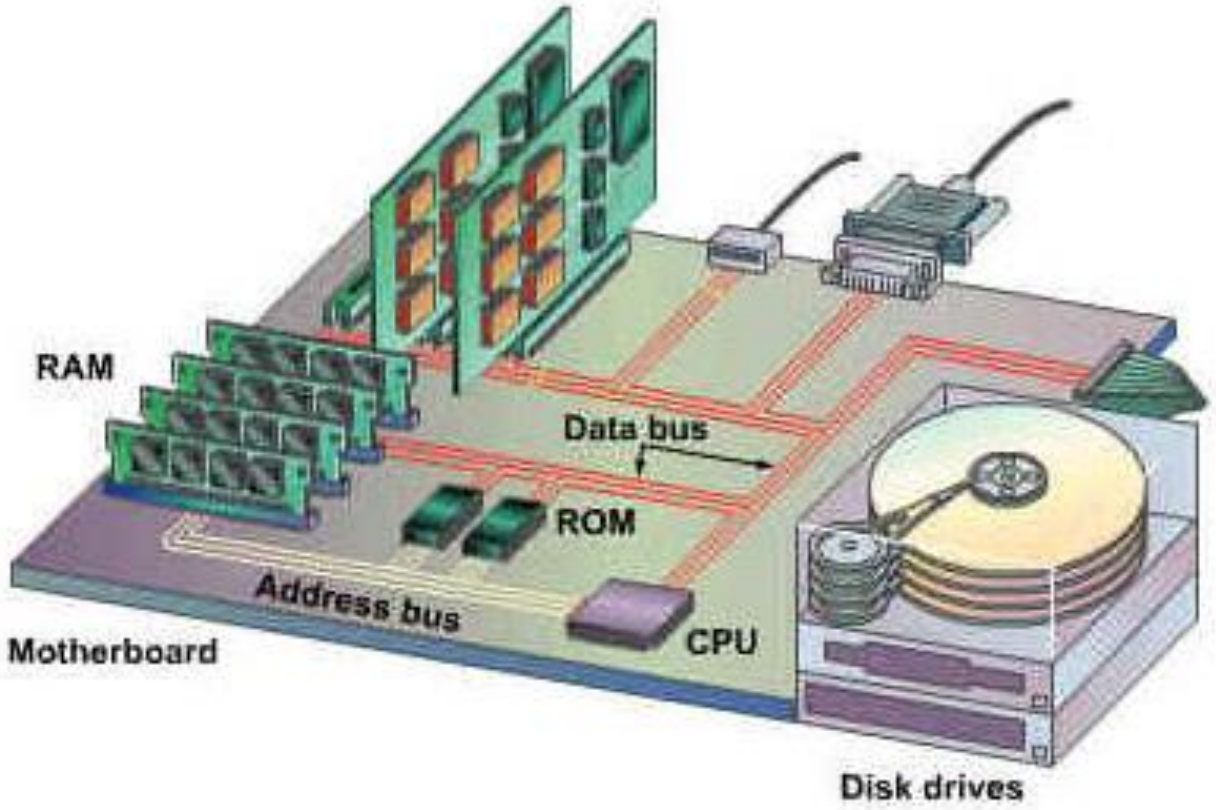


In general the computer memory…

- The memory is build in powers of 2.
- Example:
  - 1Kb = 2^{10} = 1,024 bits
  - 64 Kb = 2^{16} bits

Main operations of the memory

- Write = Store information to RAM
- Read = Load information from RAM

S-RAM

- Stores binary information without the necessity of periodic refreshing
- High cost: Requires 4 or 6 transistors
- Good for small memory systems

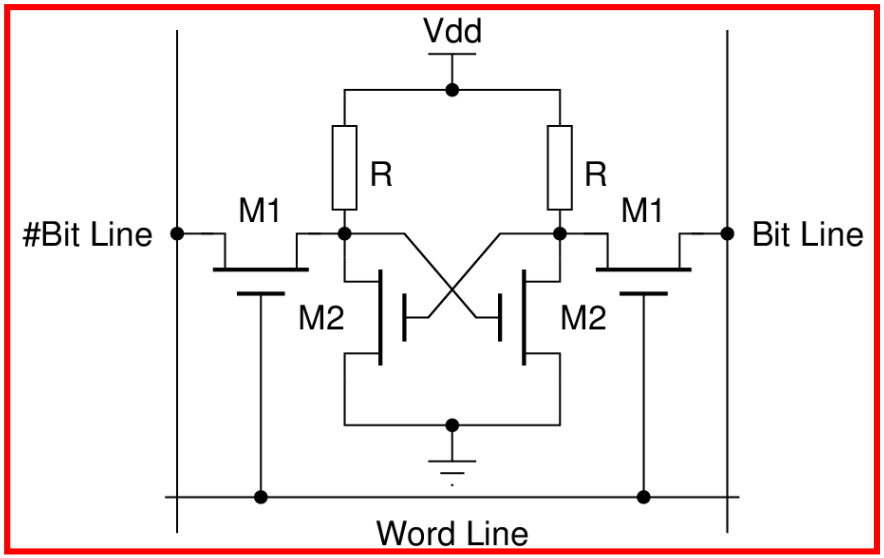
S-RAM is the …

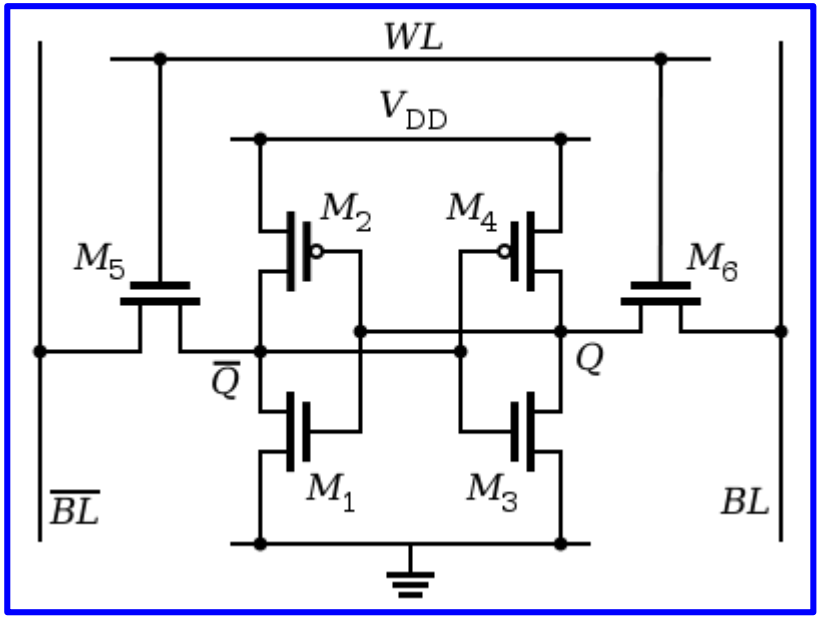
- ?...? Memory

S-RAM is the …

- Cache Memory

4 to 6 Transistors





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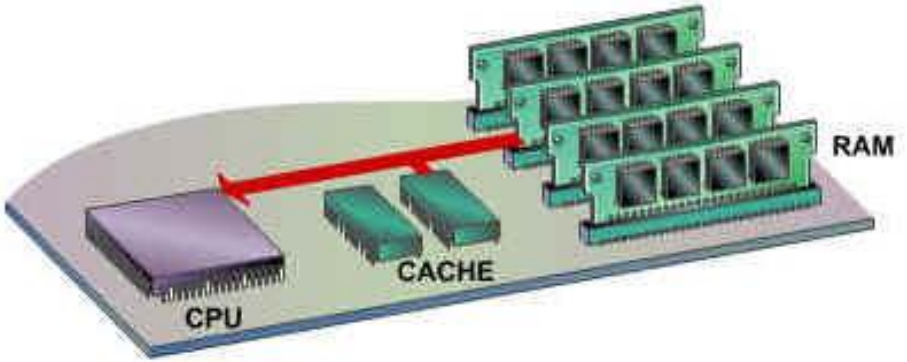
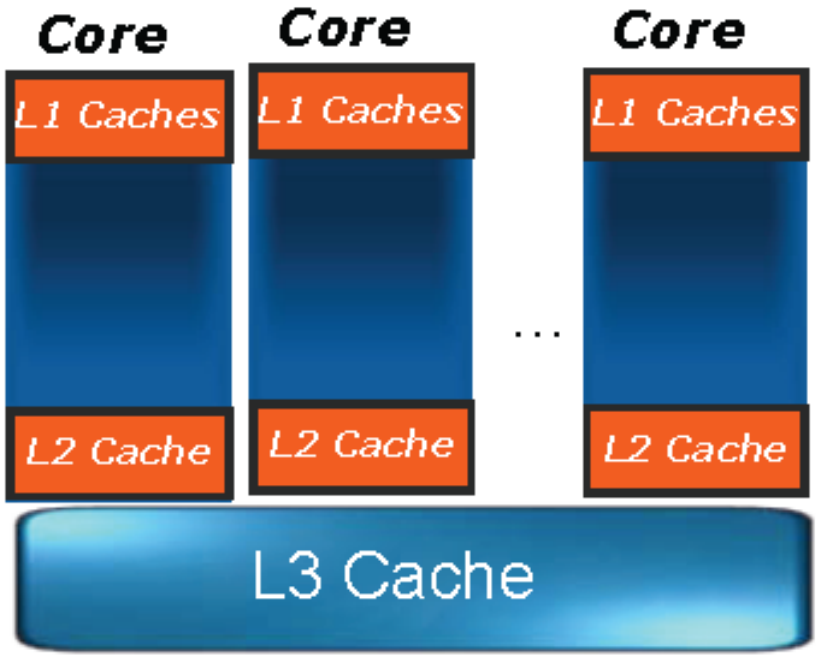


Cache Memory; Today ... 2 or 3 levels

- On chip (L1) cache memory
- On/off chip (L2) cache memory
- On/off chip (L3) cache memory

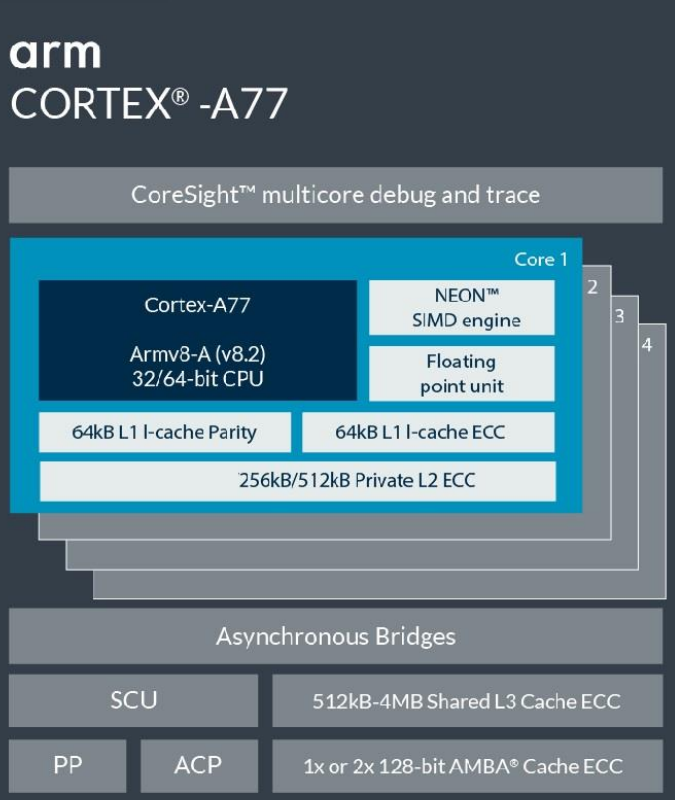


Cache memory = Shared memory between the available cores

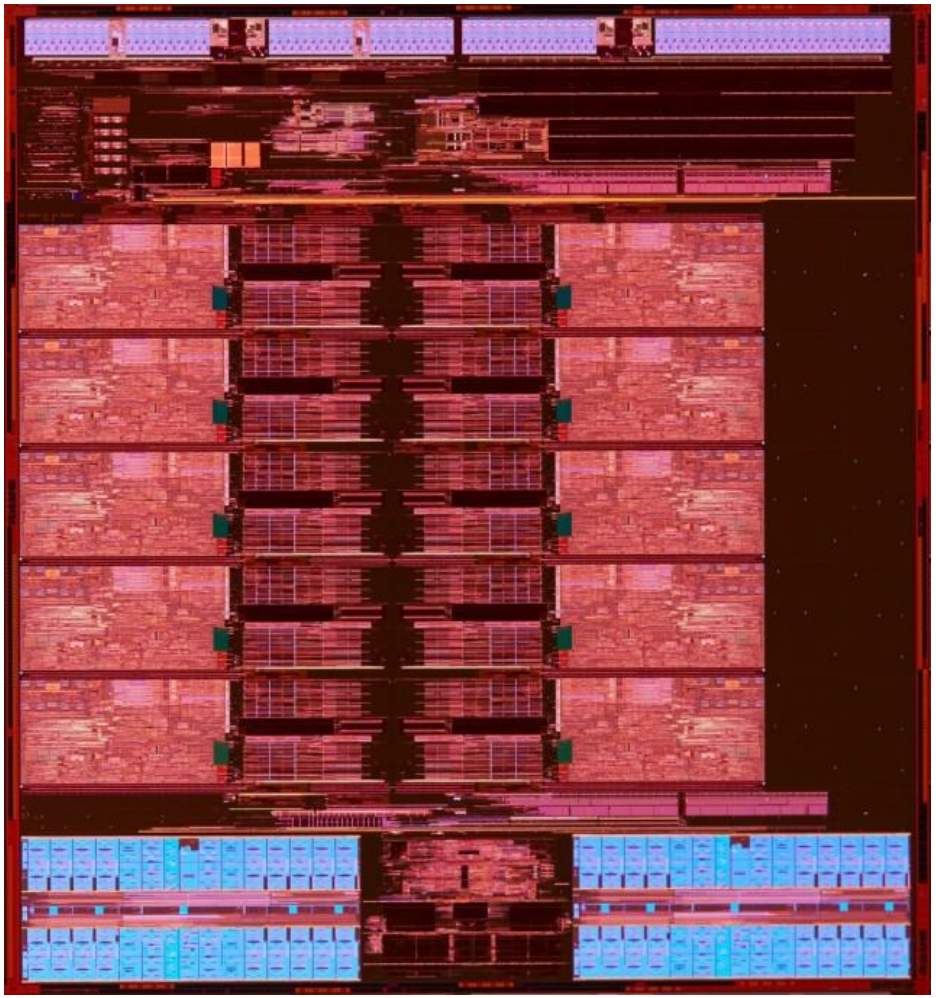
Today CORTEX –A77 (2020)

Cortex-A77: Redefined mobile device performance

- Built with upgrades in mind
  - Key architecture and interfaces aligned with Cortex-A76
  - Support for DynamIQ Shared Unit (DSU)
- Key features:
  - Armv8.2 architecture, AArch32 and AArch64 support
  - 64KB L1 I/D caches
  - 256KB and 512KB private L2 caches
  - Up to 4MB shared L3 cache
- big.LITTLE capable using Cortex-A55



10-Core CPU with Cache Memory (i7-6950X)



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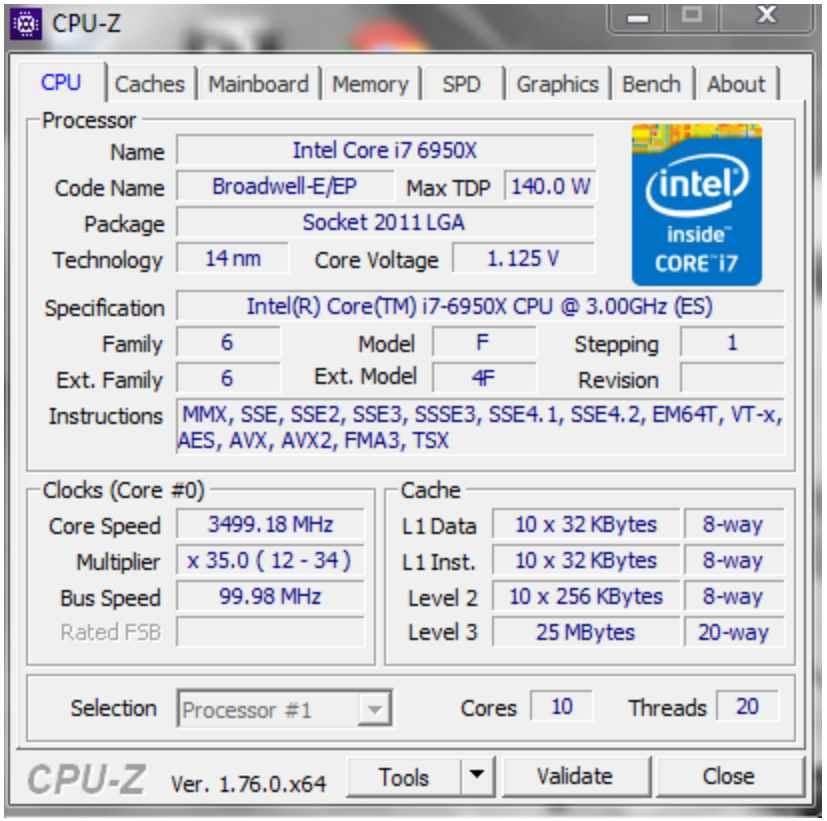

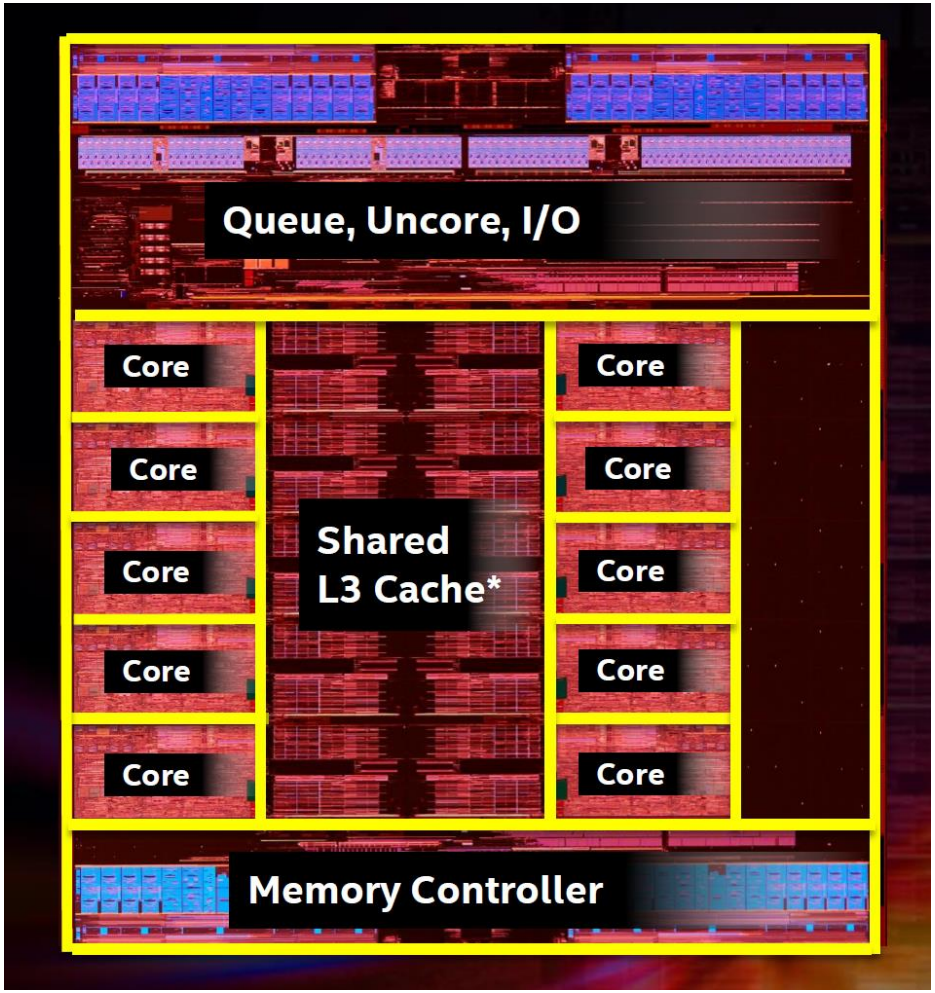

The Apple A7/Cyclone core

- CPU Codename---------- Cyclone,
  ARM ISA---------- ARMv8-A(32/64),
  Issue Width---------- 6 micro-ops,
  Reorder Buffer Size---------- 192 micro-ops,
  Branch Mispredict Penalty---16 cycles (14 – 19),
  Integer ALUs---------- 4,
  Load/Store Units---------- 2,
  Load Latency---------- 4 Cycles,
  Branch Units---------- 2,
  Indirect Branch Units--------- 1,
  FP/NEON ALUs----------3,
  L1 Cache—---------- 64KB I$ + 64KB D$,
  L2 Cache---------- 1MB,
  L3 Cache---------- 4MB.

https://www.top500.org/

- Summit - IBM Power System AC922

- More than 2,414,592 cores

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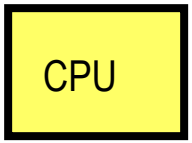
Typical values (2019)

- DRAM = up to ? GB
- SRAM = up to ? MB (level-3)

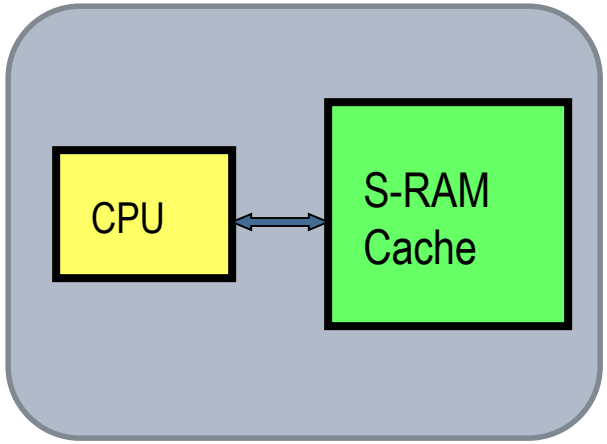
Typical PC values (2019)

- DRAM = up to 8-128 GB
- SRAM = up to 8 MB (level-3).

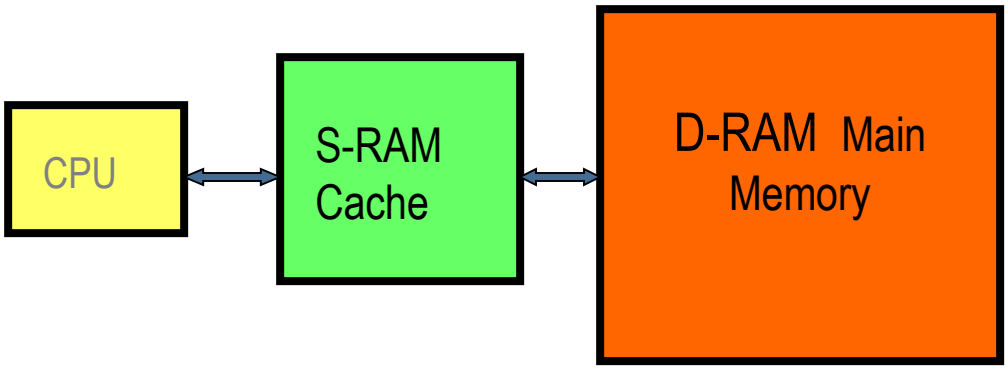
CPU



Cache Memory



Main Memory



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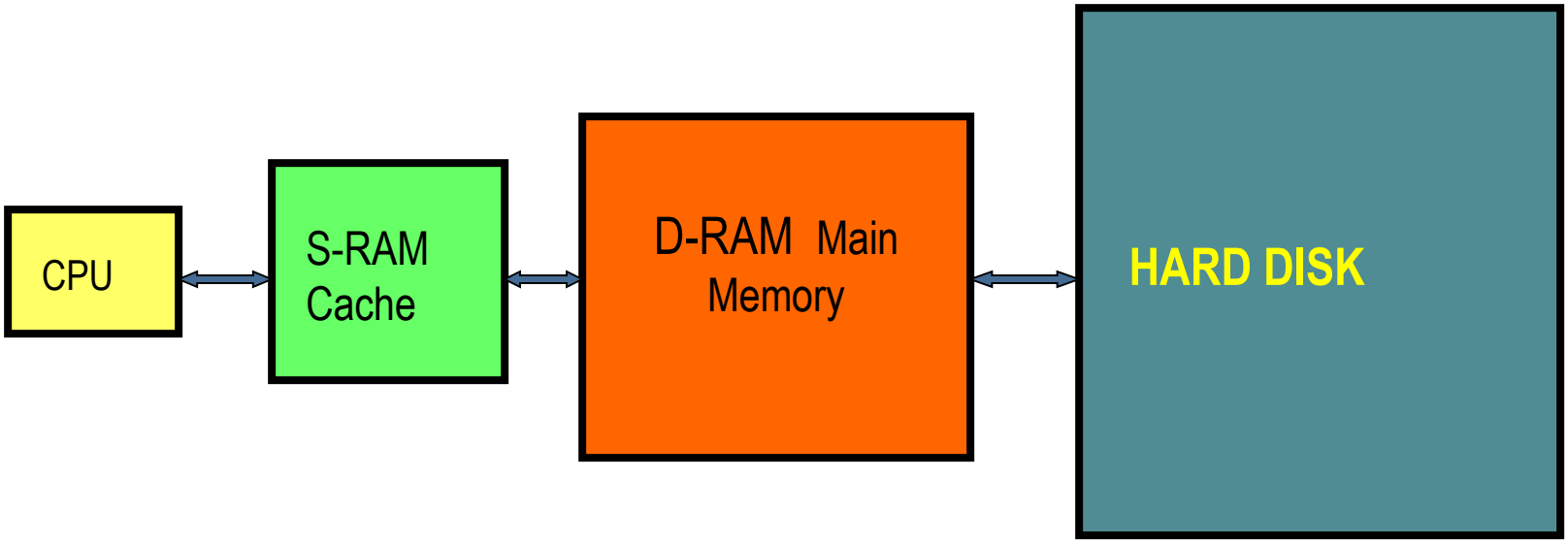
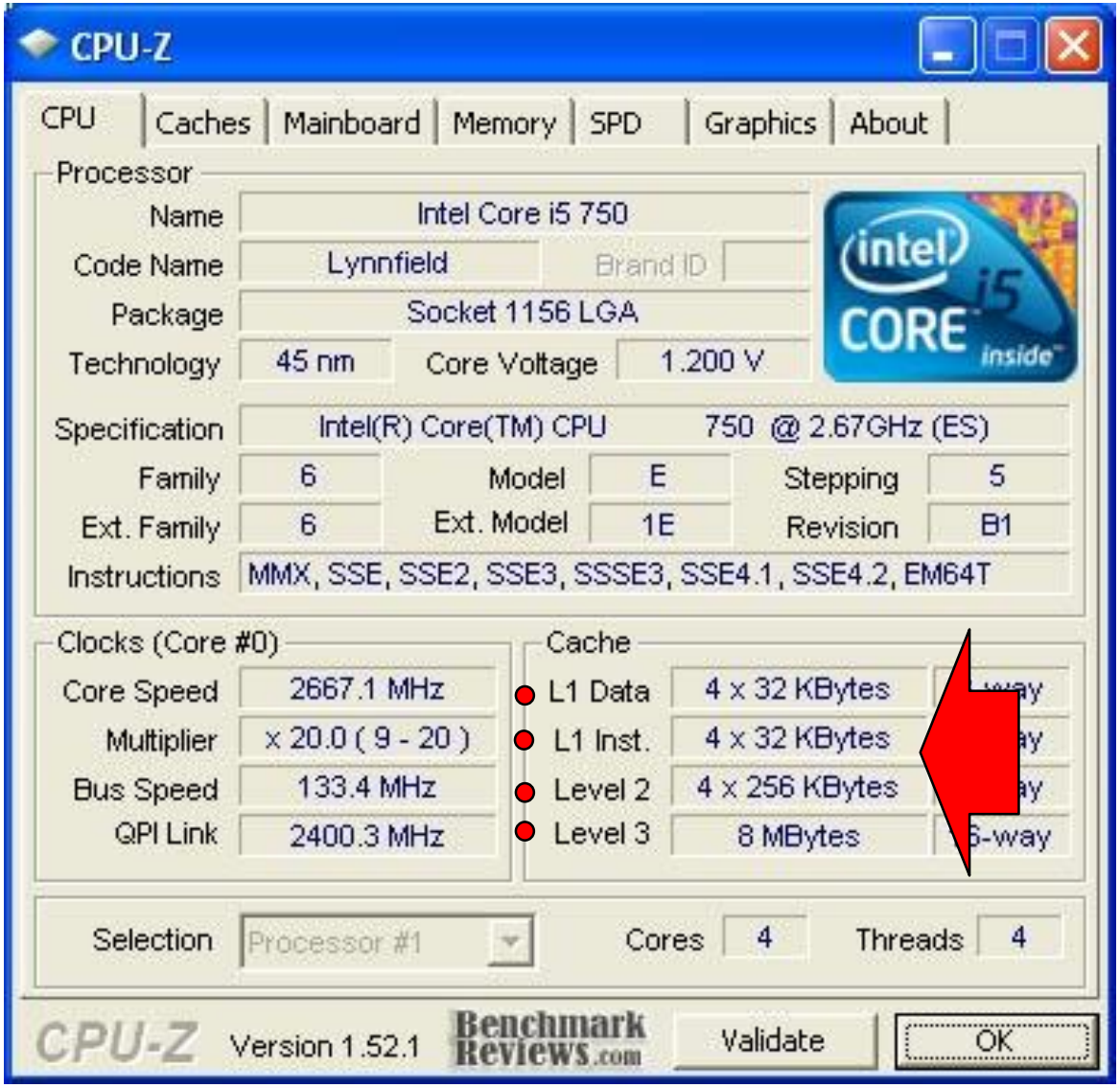


Three Levels of Cache Memory



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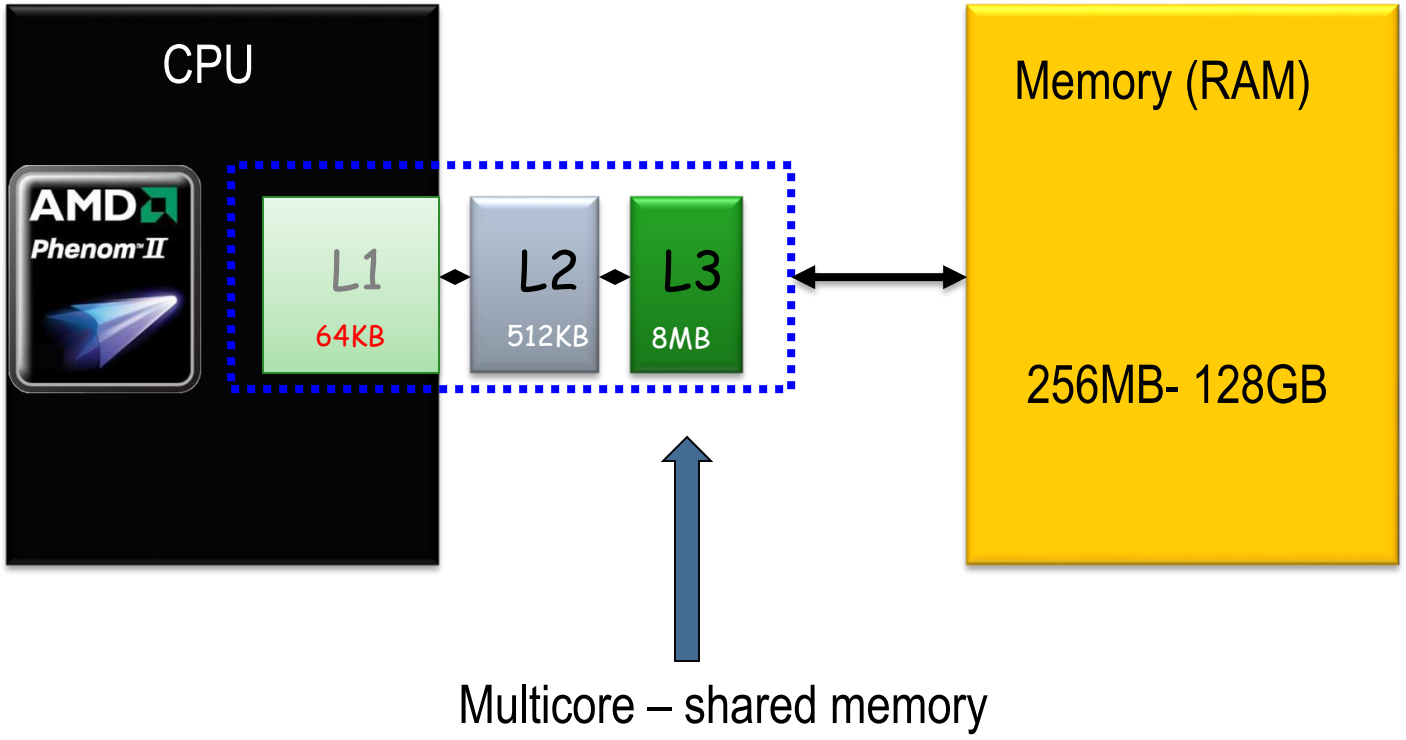
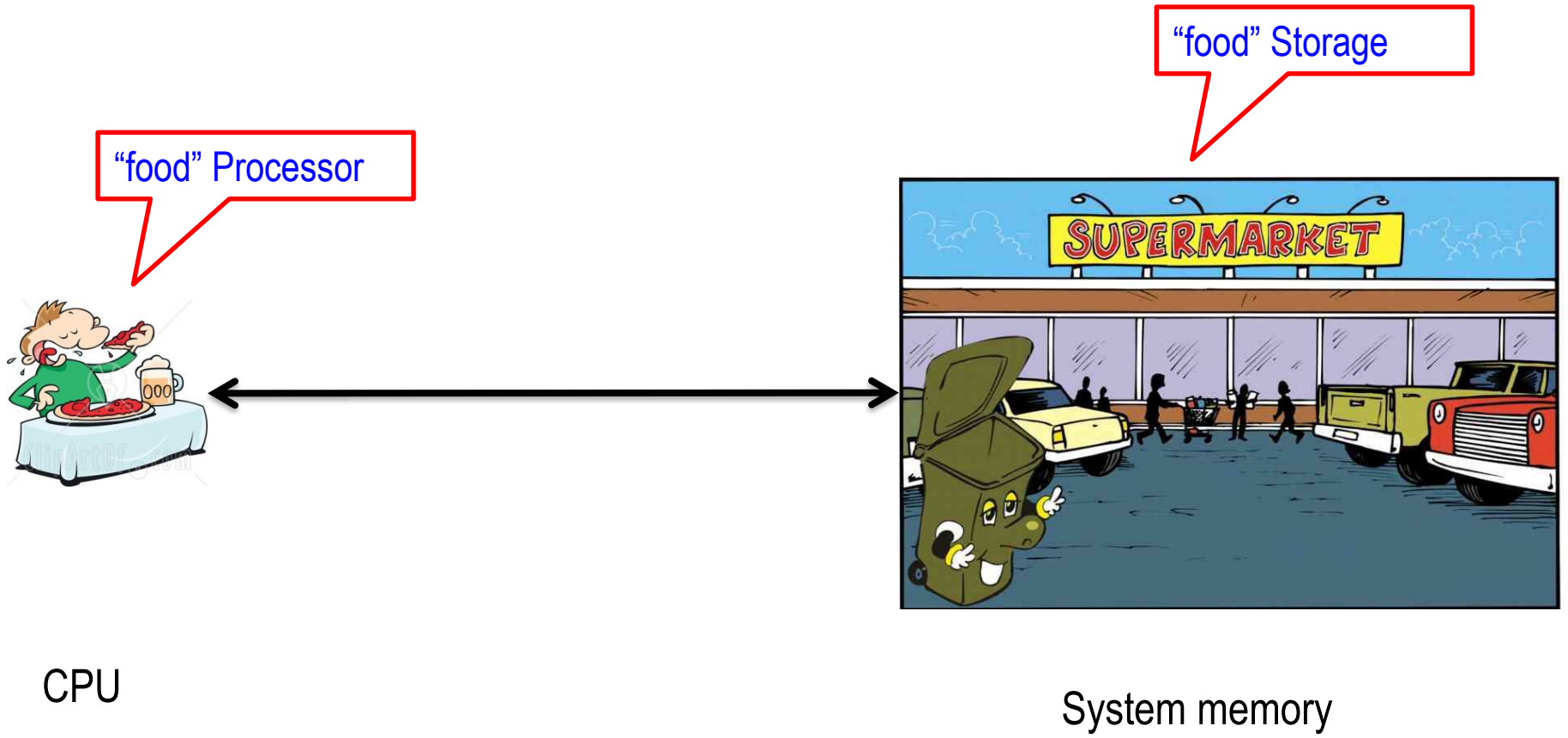


CPU and System Memory



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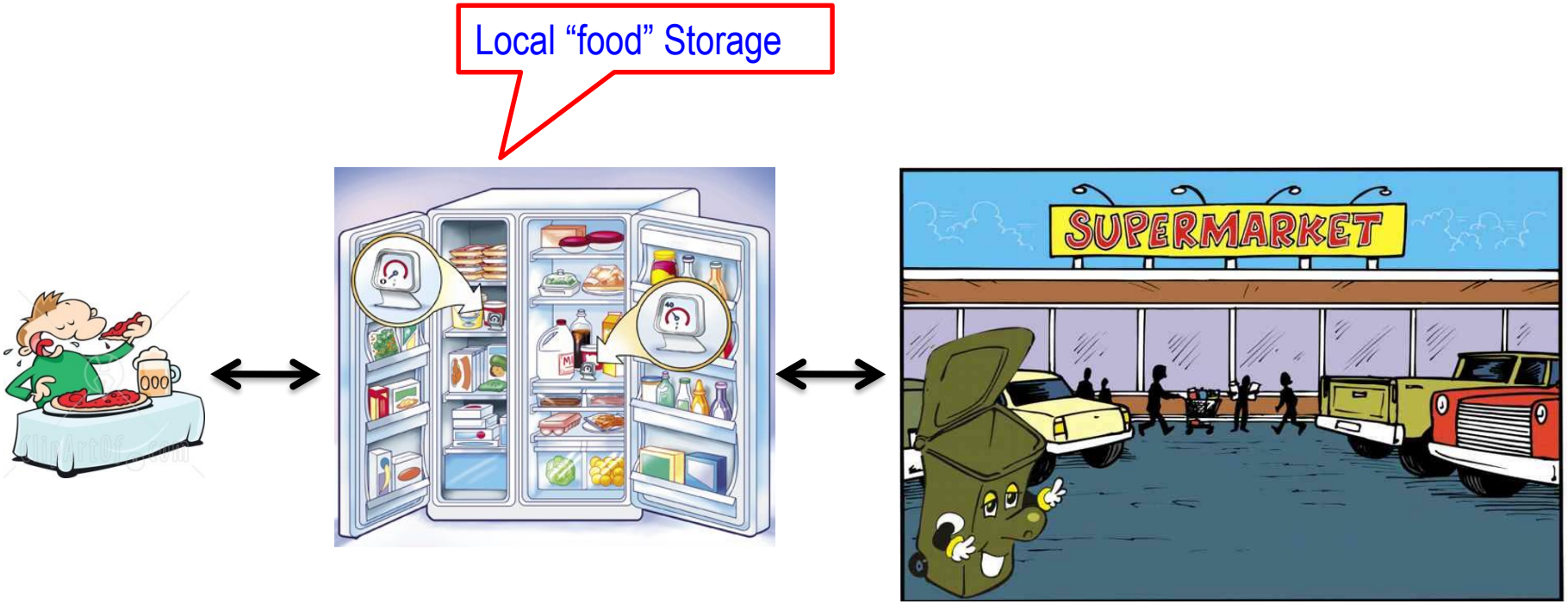


CPU

Cache memory

System memory

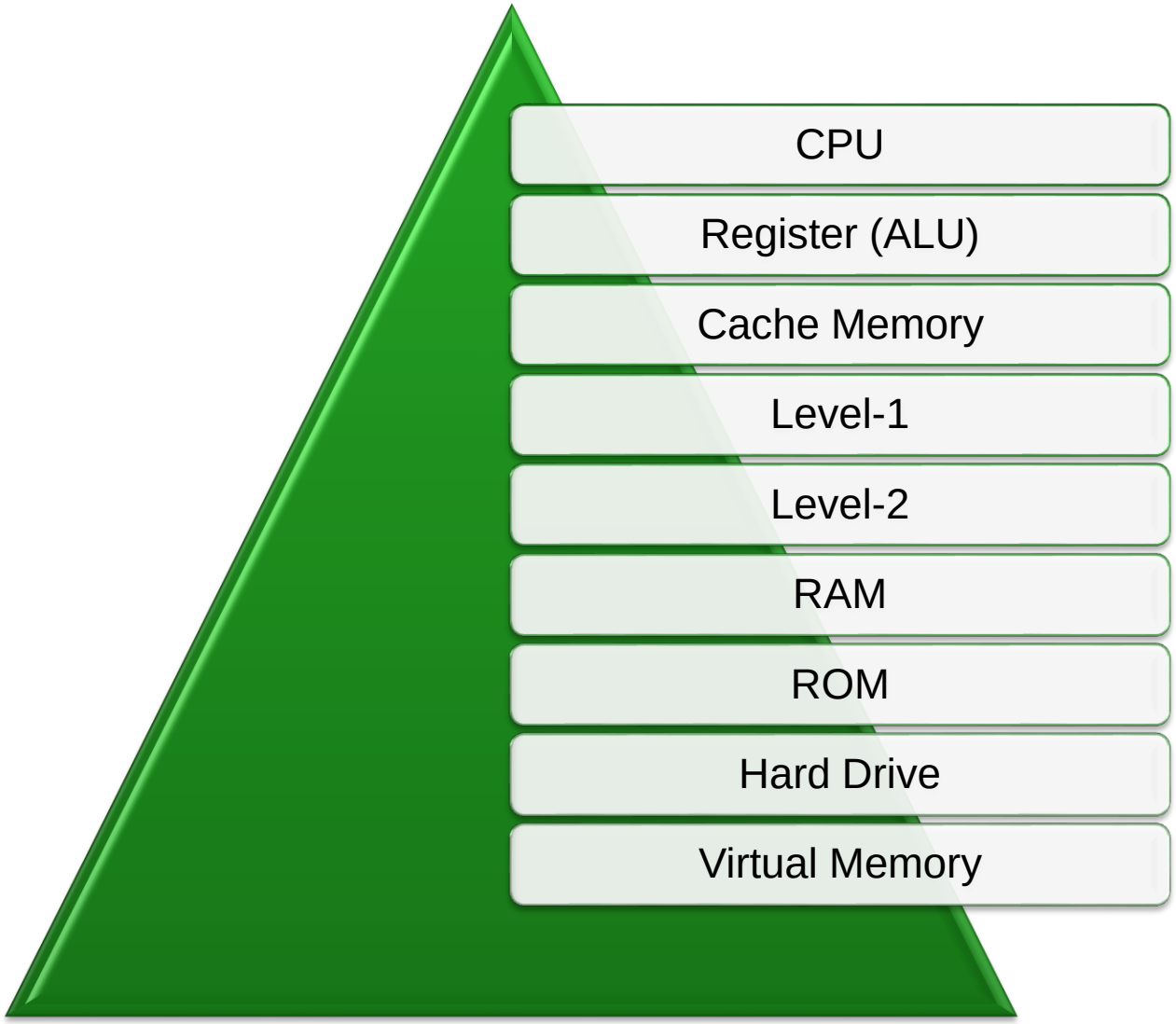
RAM

S-RAM (Cache)	D-RAM (Main)
▪ Small & Fast ▪ Complex ▪ No refresh ▪ More expensive	▪ Slow & Large ▪ Simple ▪ Refresh needed ▪ Less expensive

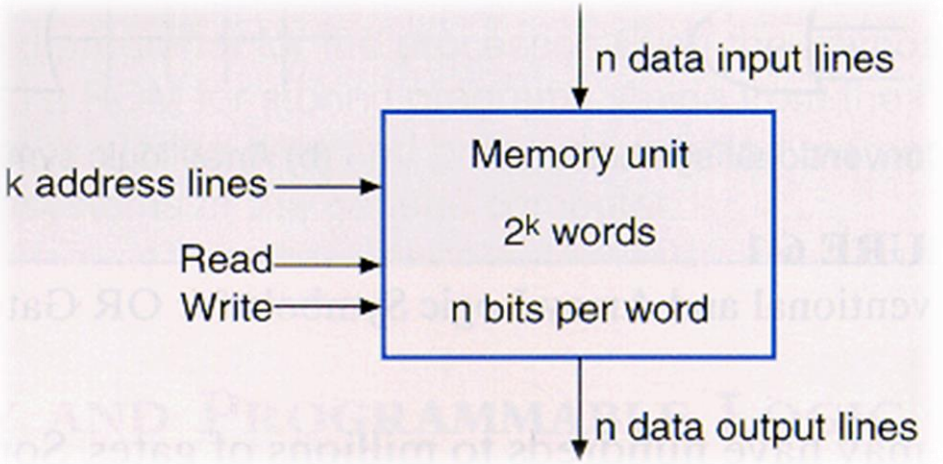
Specialized RAM is the VRAM

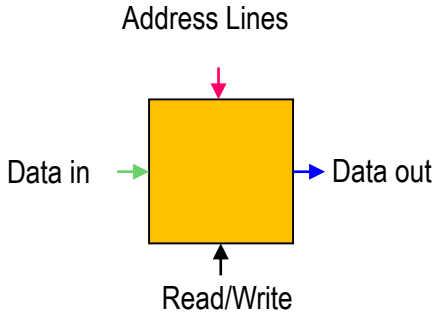
- VRAM = Video RAM
- Dual ported Dynamic RAM
- Can write while someone else reads.

The Memory Hierarchy

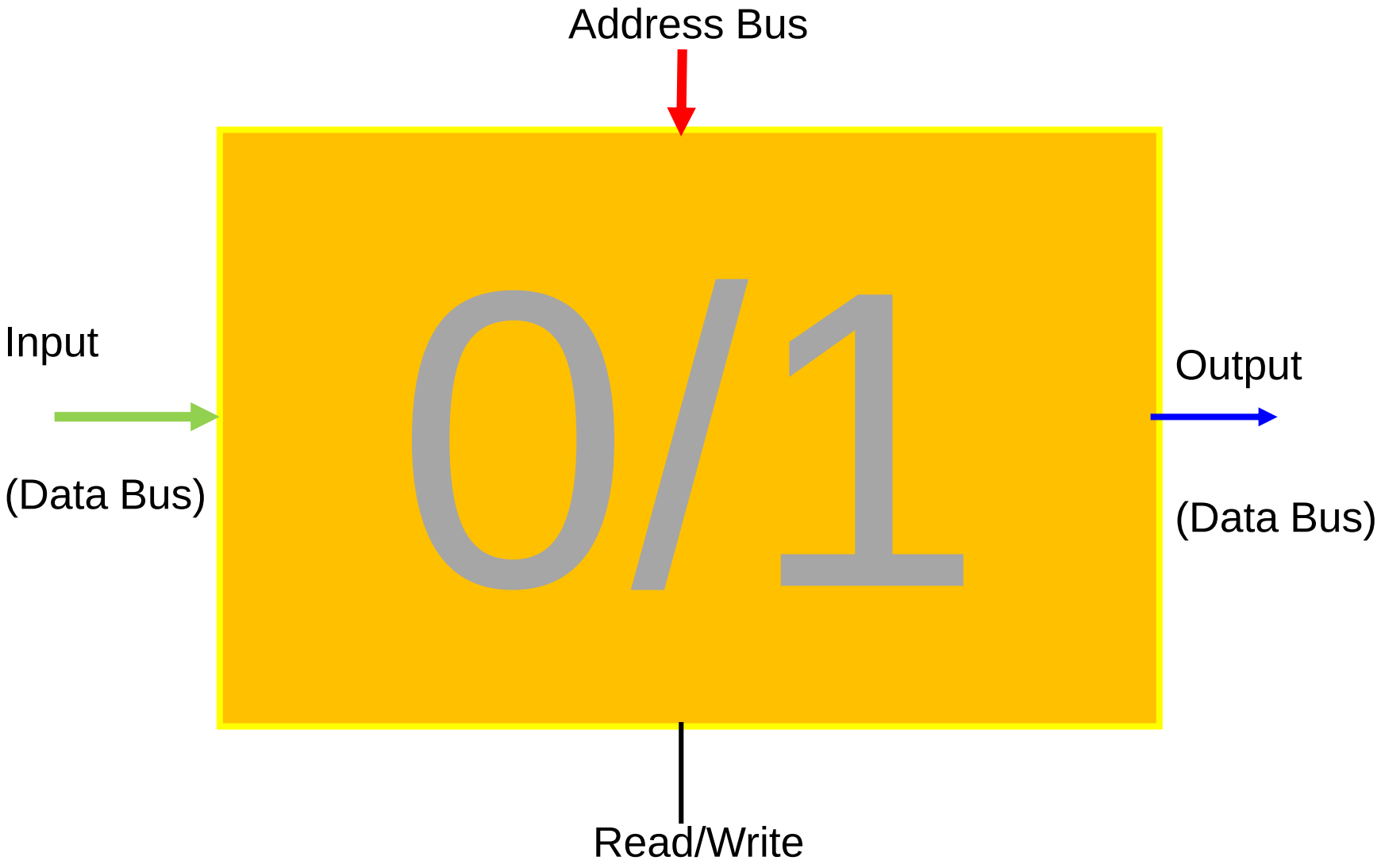


Memory cell


n data input lines
Memory unit
2k words
n bits per word
k address lines
Read
Write
n data output lines

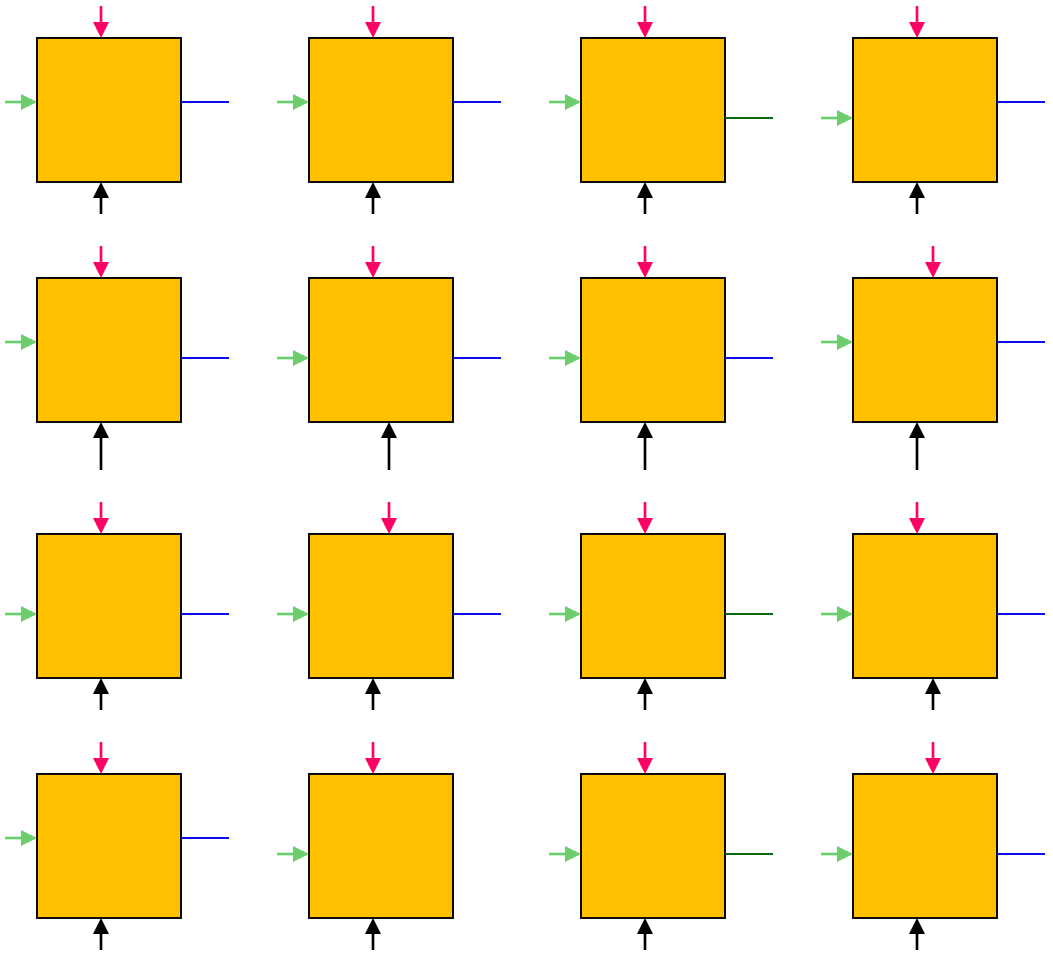

Address Lines
Data in
Data out
Read/Write

Basic memory cell



Design a 16x4 bits RAM memory

Memory system: 16 x 4 bits



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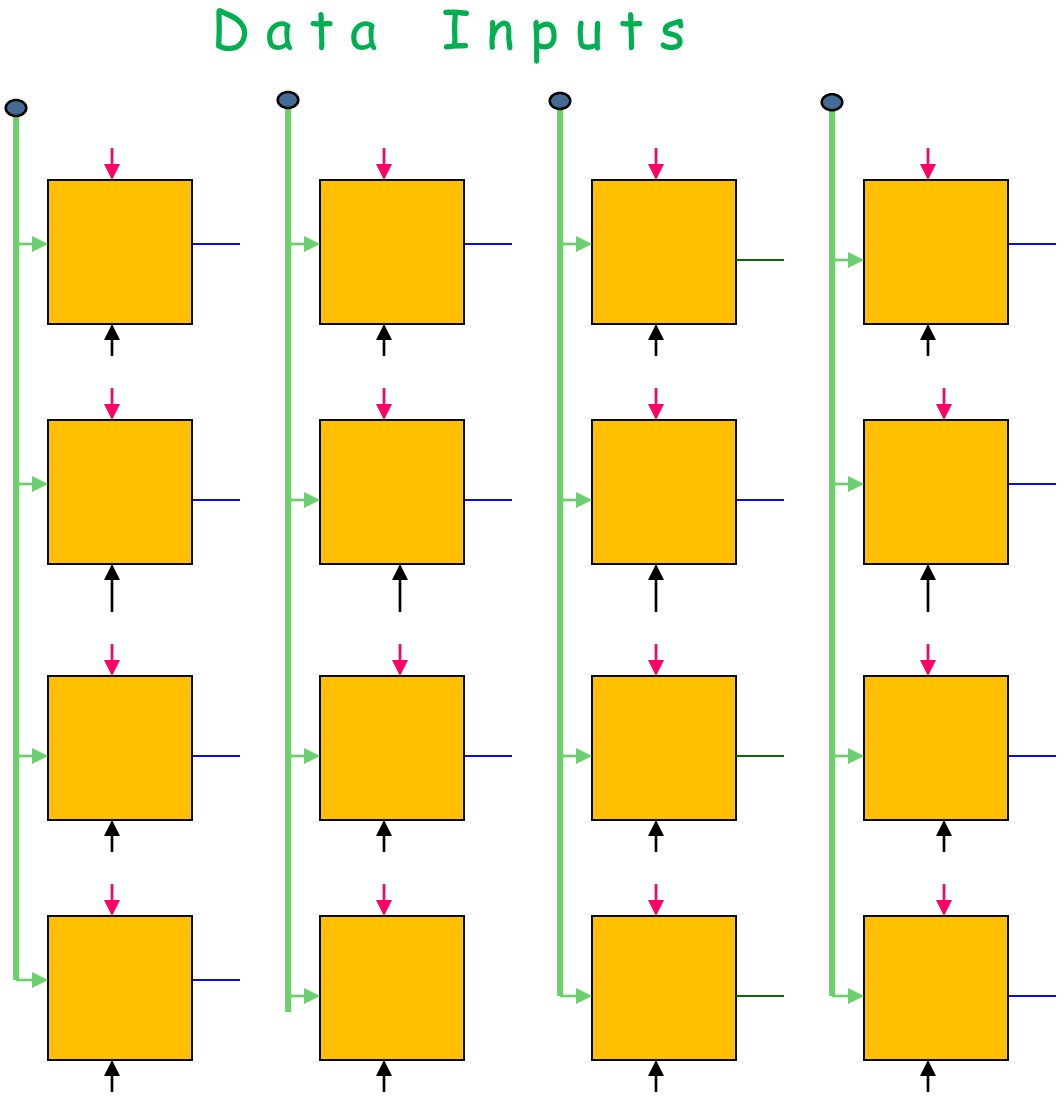

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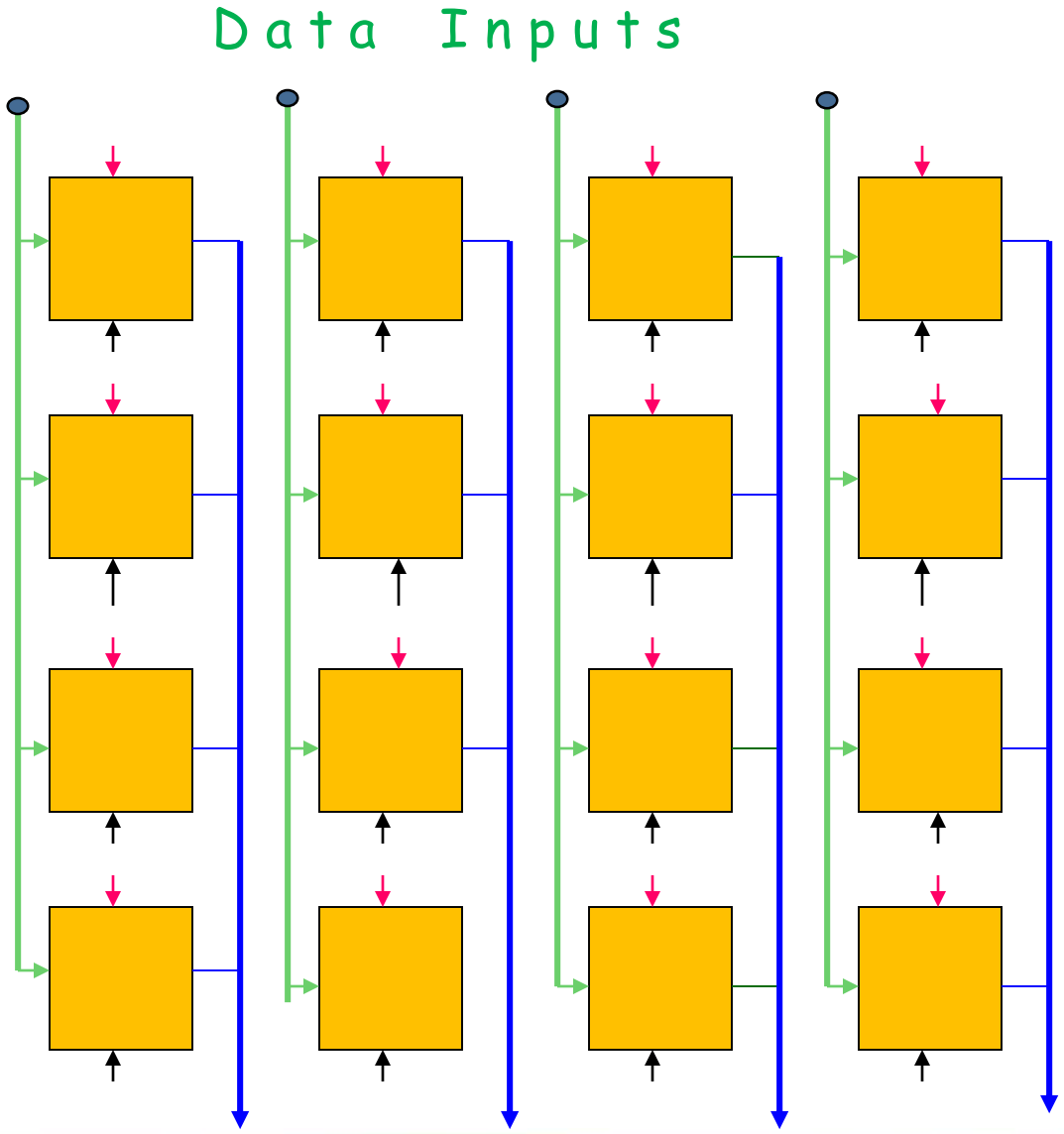
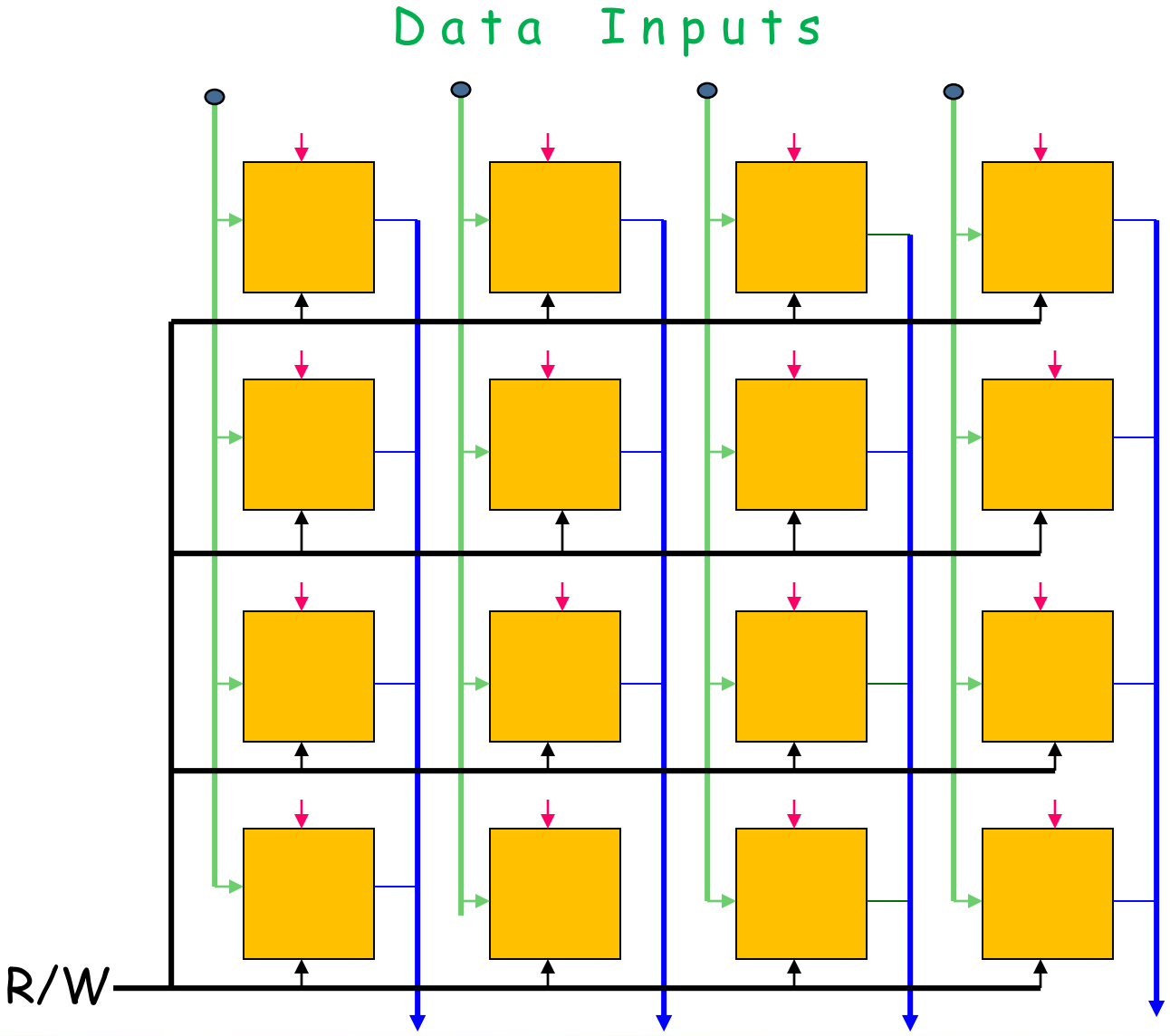
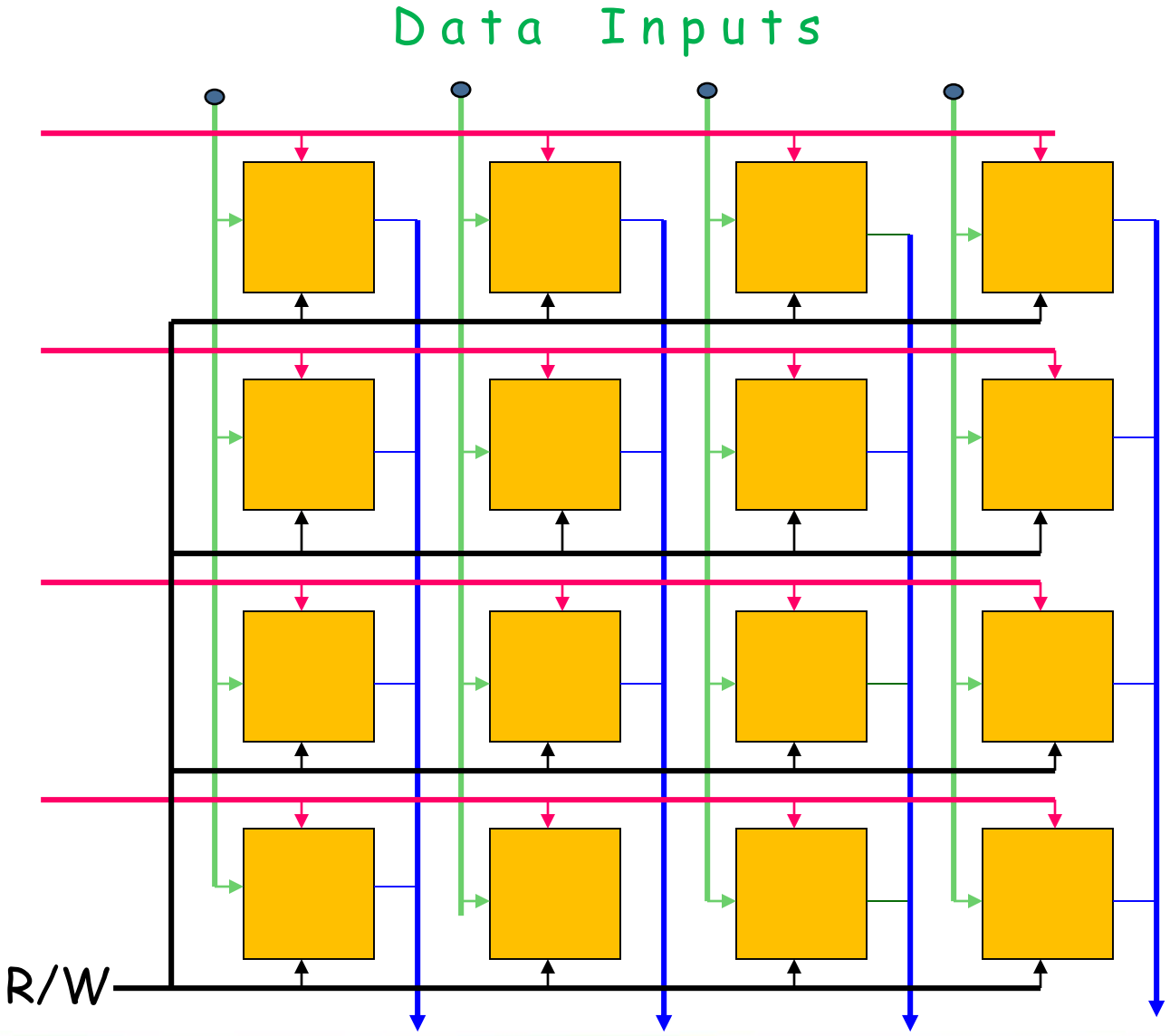


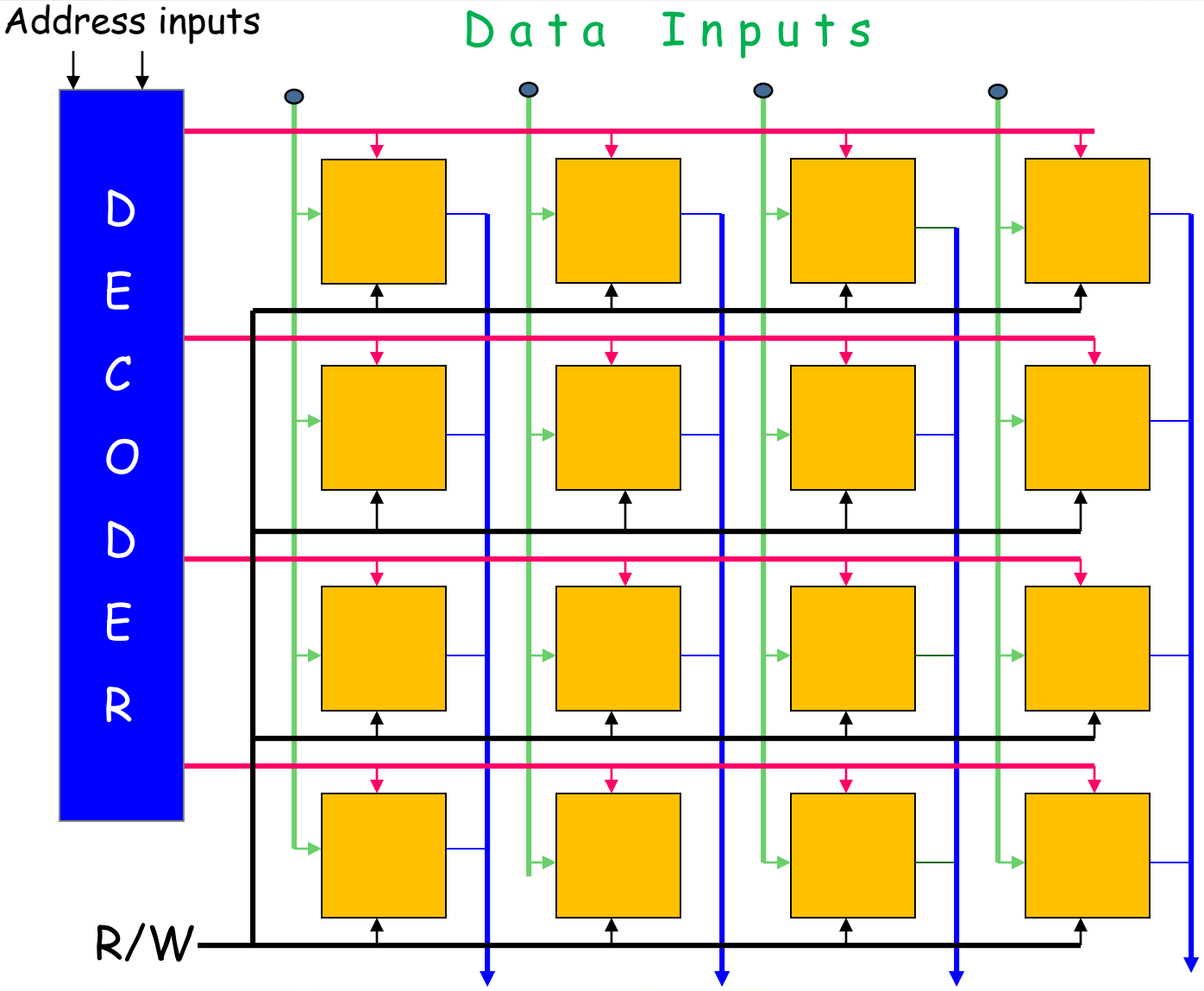
Read/Write (R/W) line

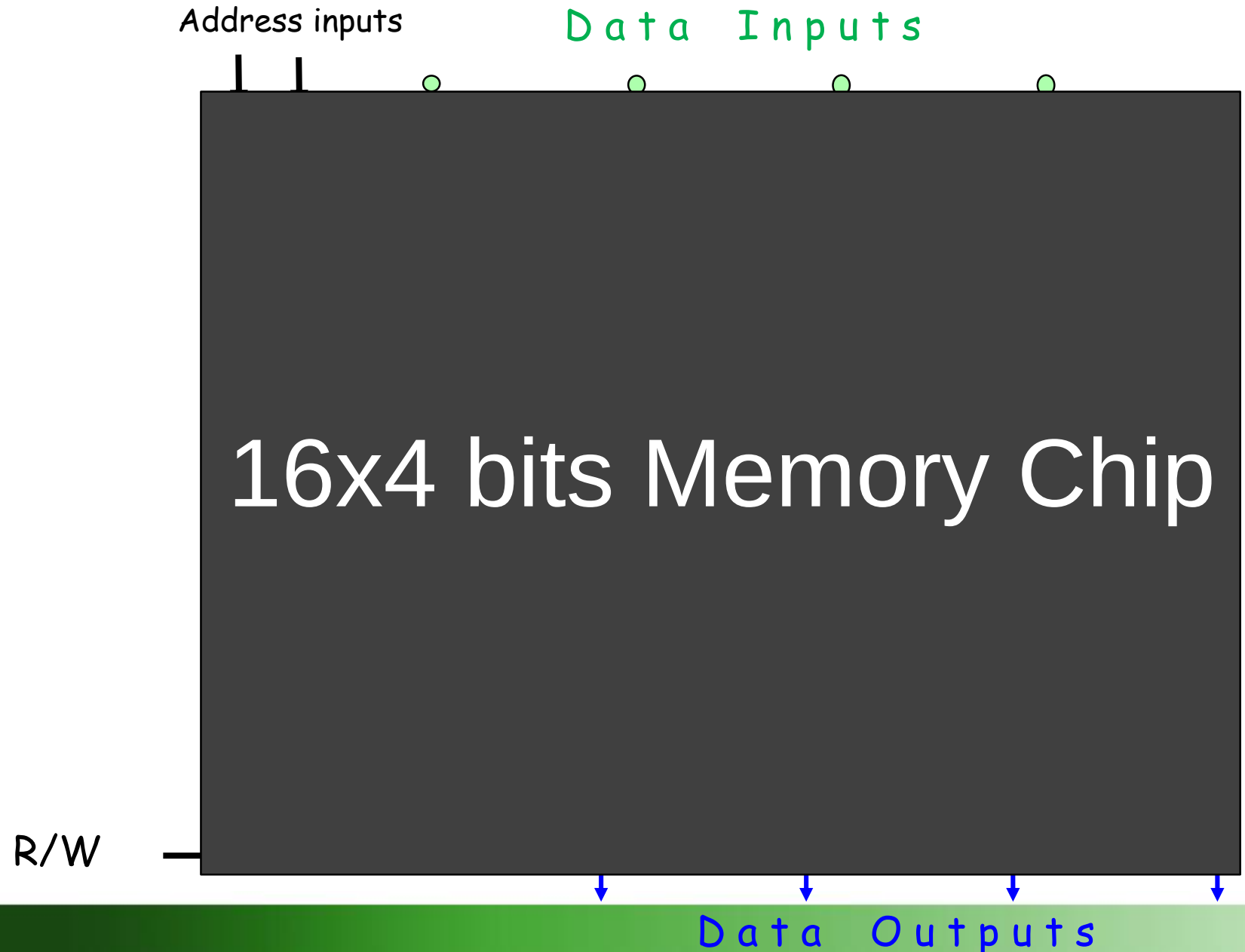


Address lines: 4 (16 = 2^4)



With a 2-4 Decoder 2 lines are fine …



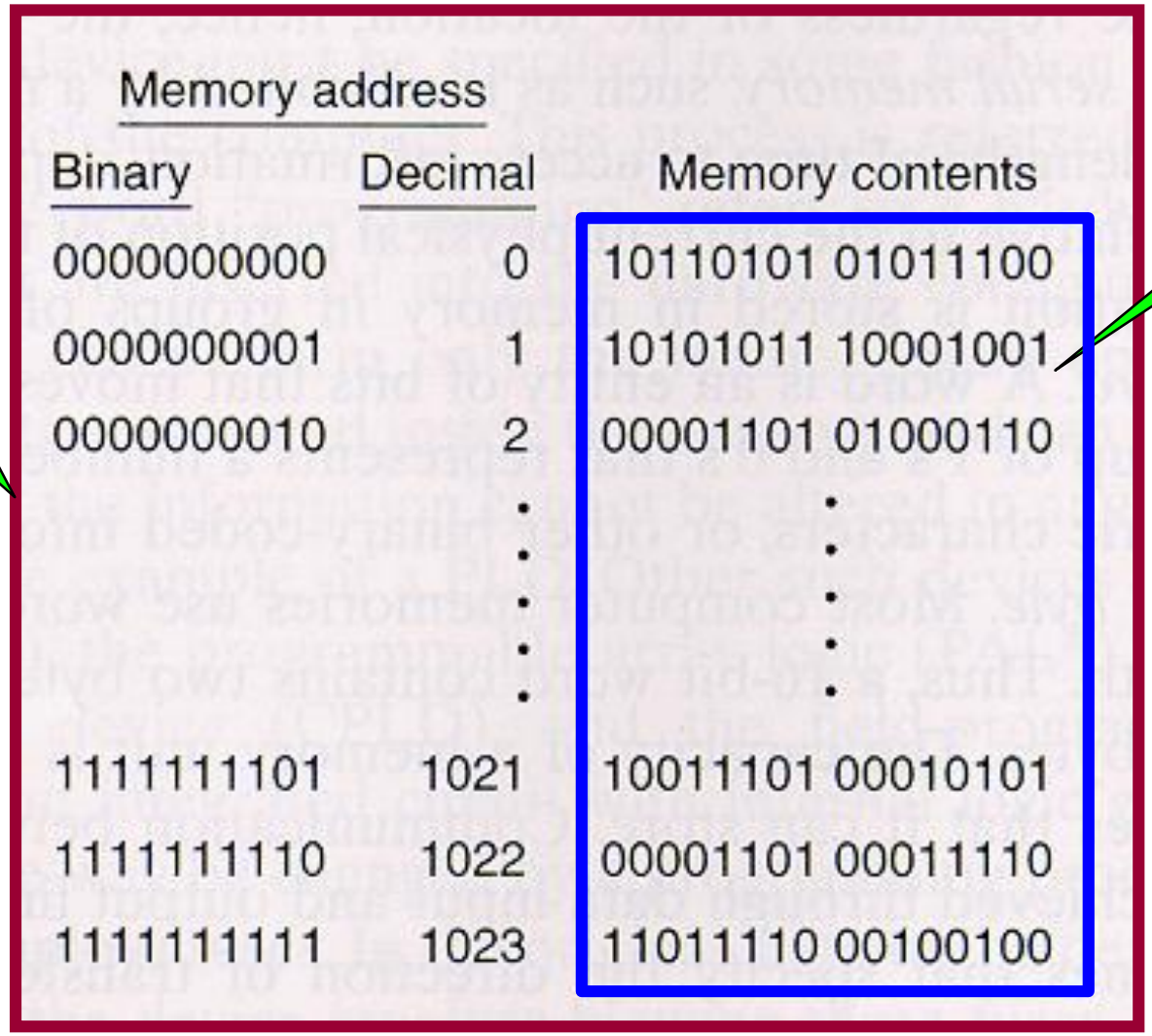

Address inputs
Data Inputs
16x4 bits Memory Chip
R/W
Data Outputs

A 1Kb DRAM memory chip

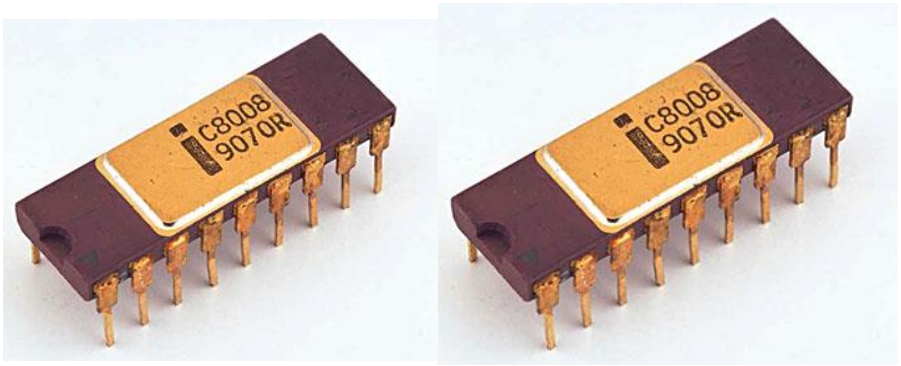
1Kb = 1024 = 2^{10} bits

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Intel_1103

1024 x 16 memory (1Kb x 16)



Memory design using memory-chips



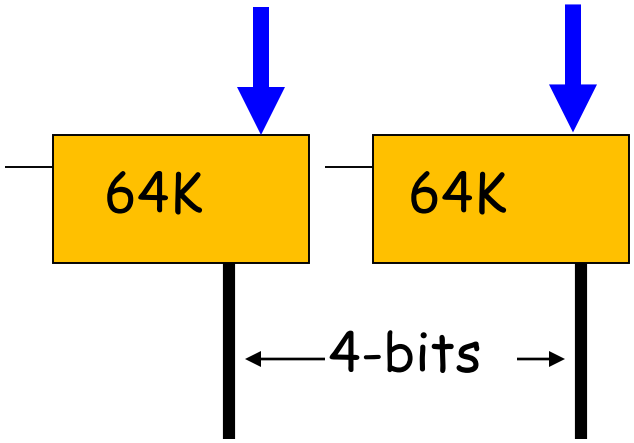
Use two 64K x 4 ROM memory modules to create a 64K x 8 ROM memory system.

How many bits has the:

→ Data bus (?)

→ Address bus (?)

64K x 8 ROM, using 2-64 x 4



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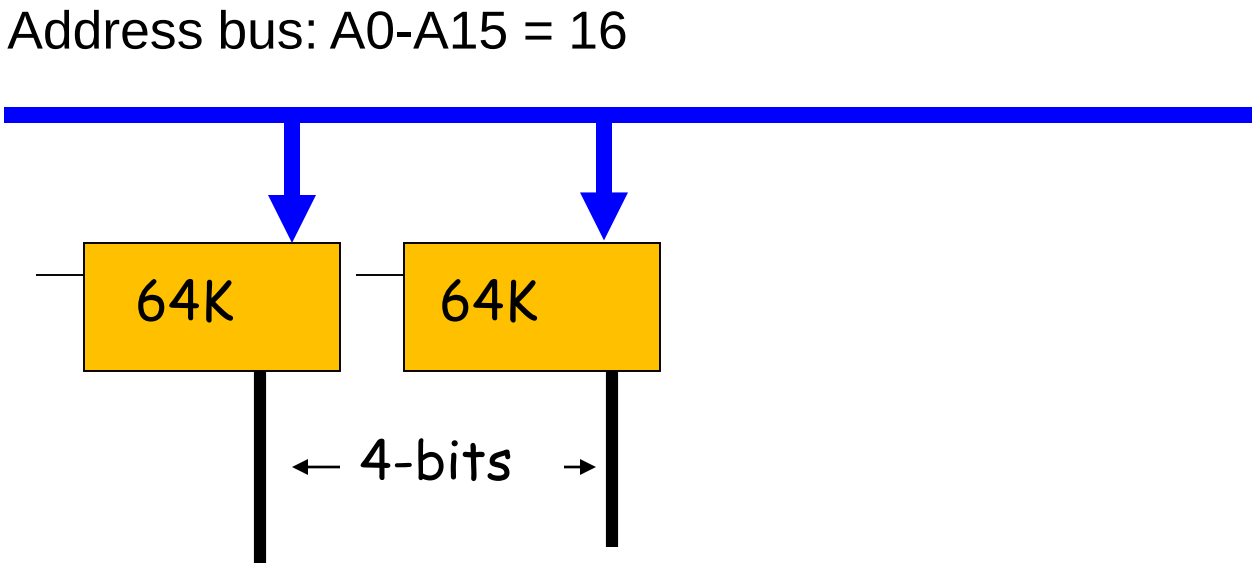

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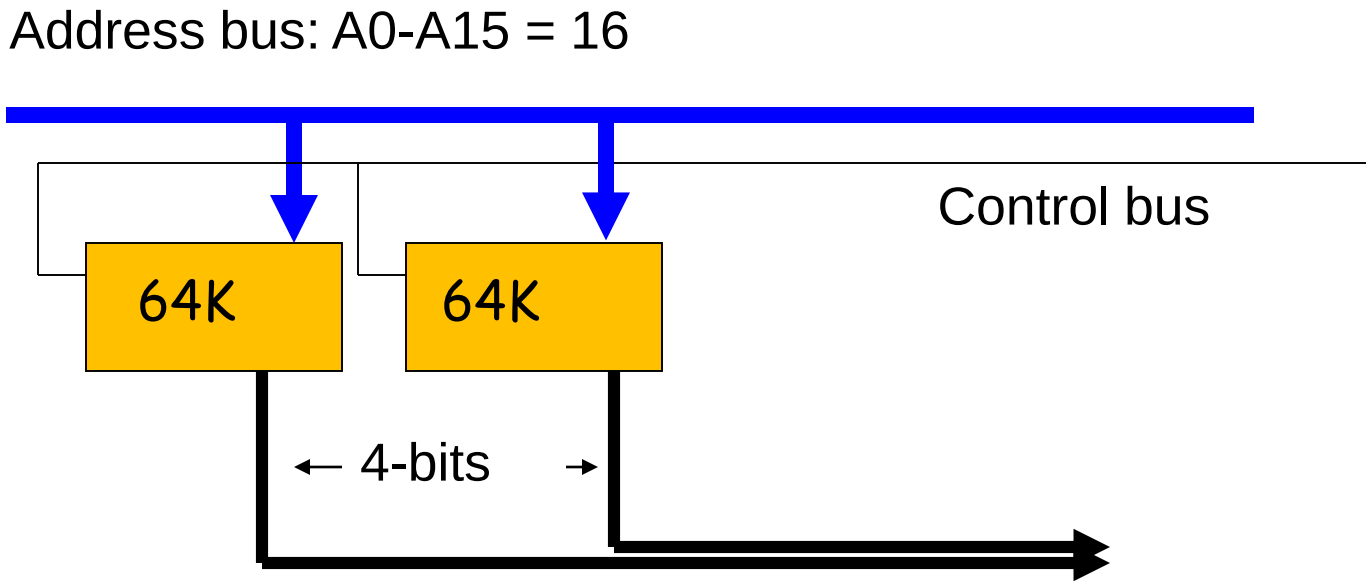


Address Bus: 16

Data Bus: 8

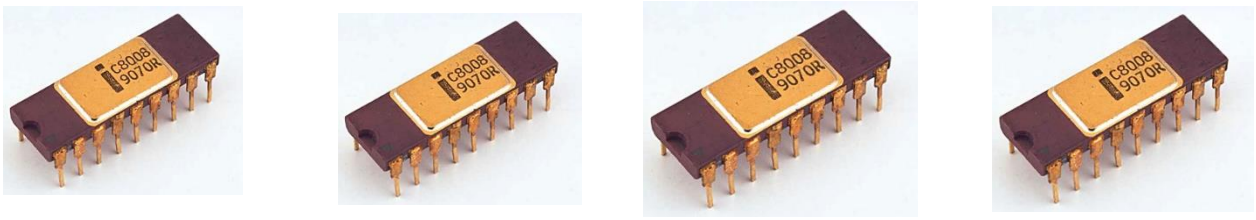
Use (?) 64K x 4 ROM memory modules to create a 64K x 16 ROM memory system.

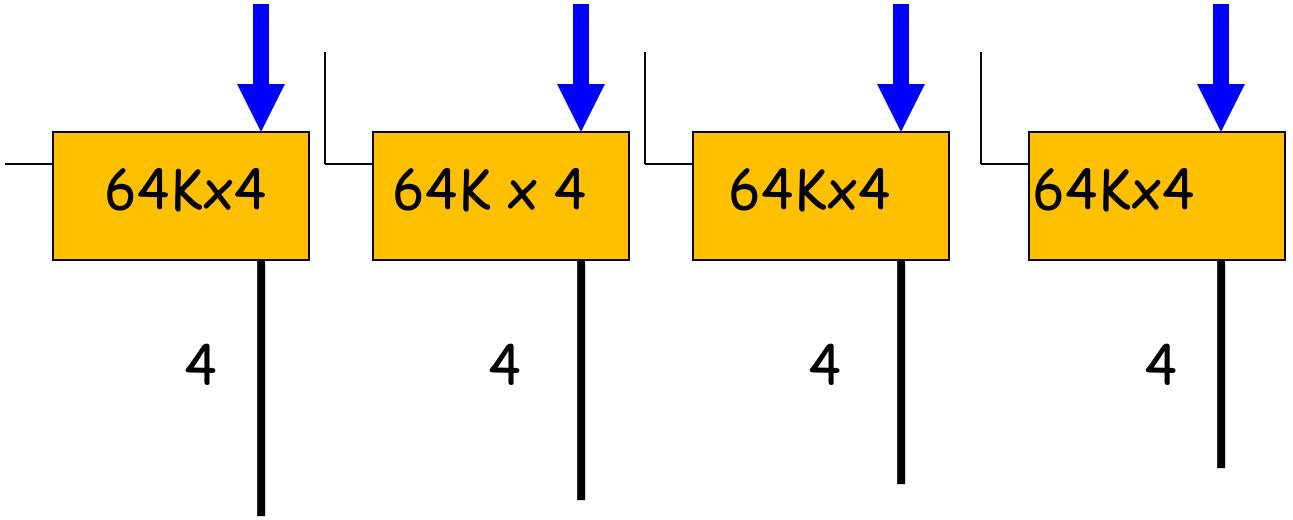
How many bits has the:

→ Data bus (?)

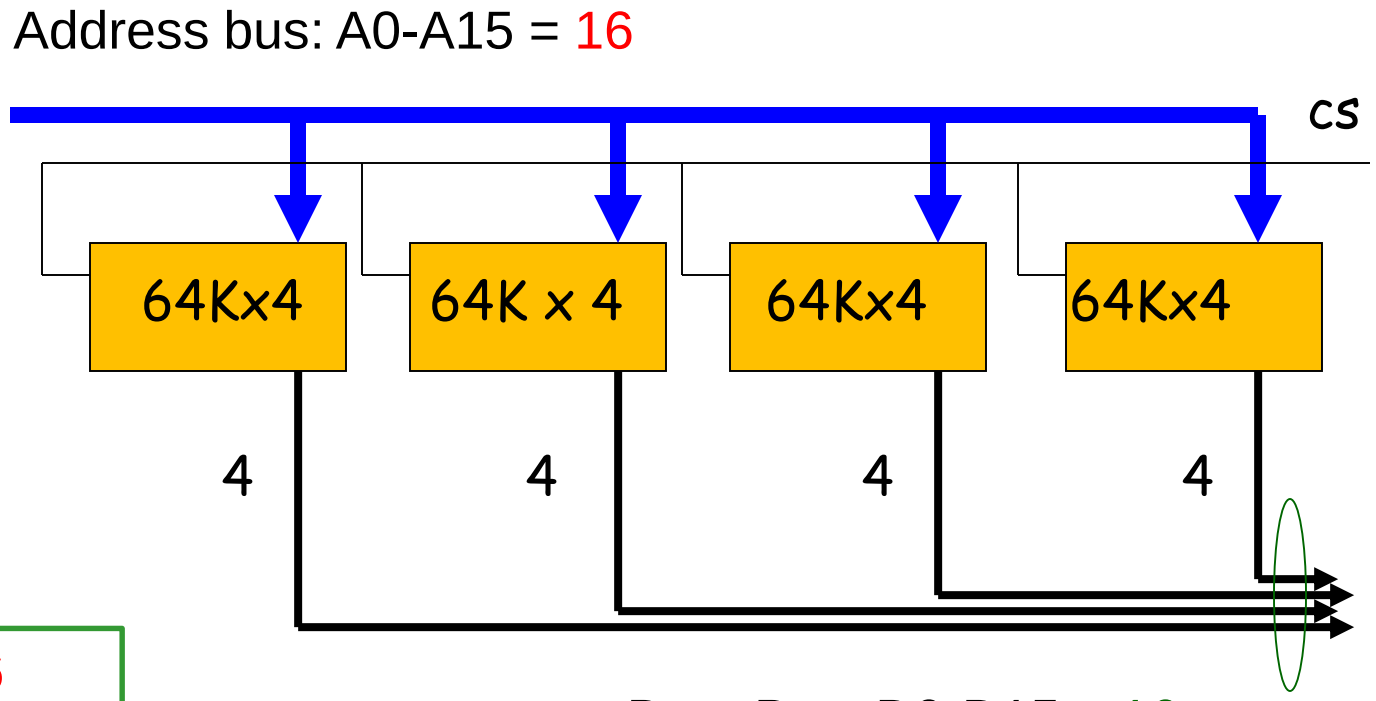
→ Address bus (?)

64 K x 16 ROM





64 K x 16 ROM



Address Bus: 16

Data Bus: 16

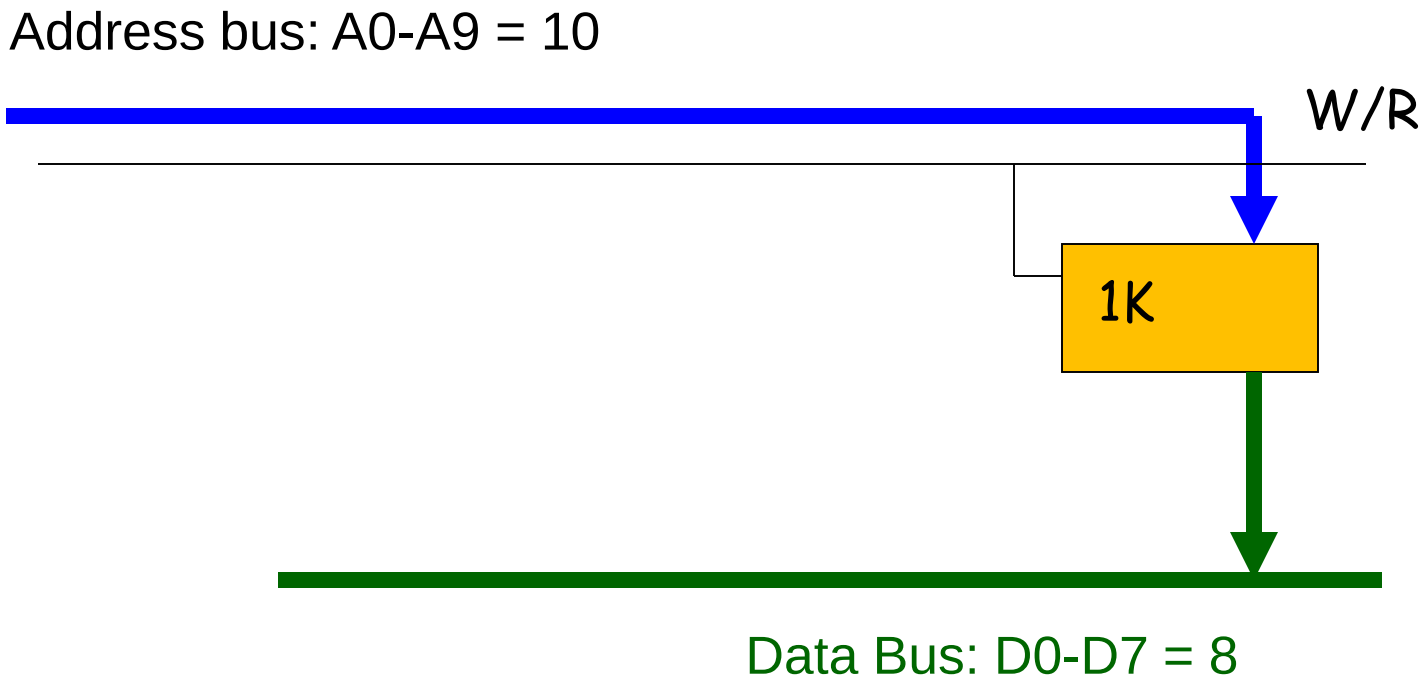
Use (?) 1k x 8 RAM memory modules to create a 4k x 8 RAM memory system.

How many bits has the:

→ Data bus (?)

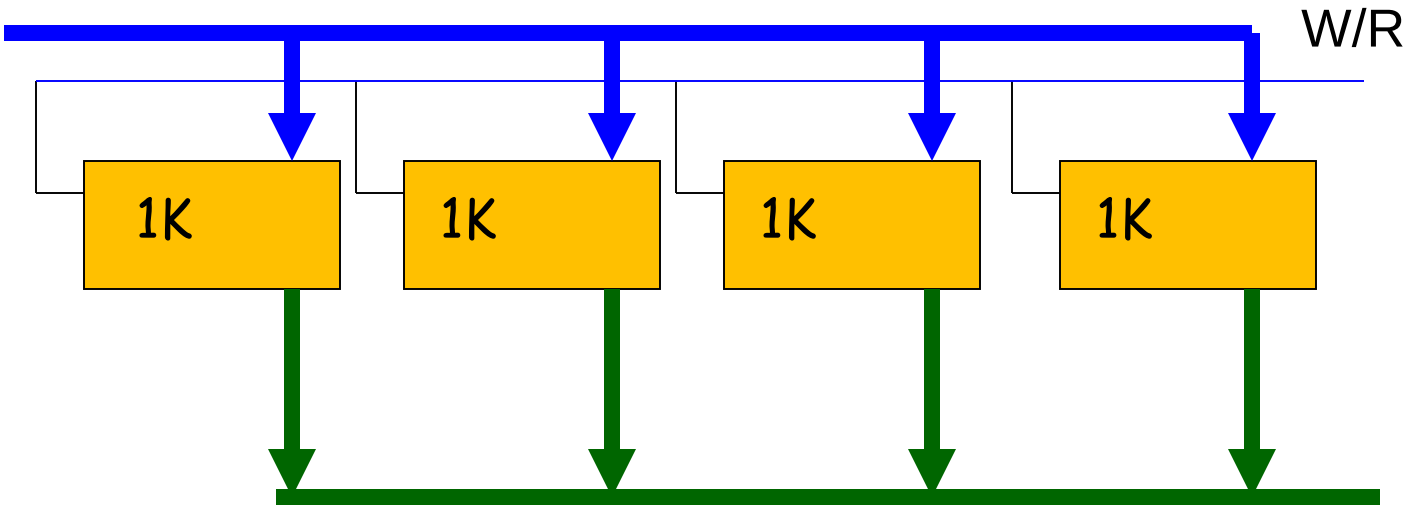
→ Address bus (?)

4K x 8 (using 1Kx8) RAM



What else?

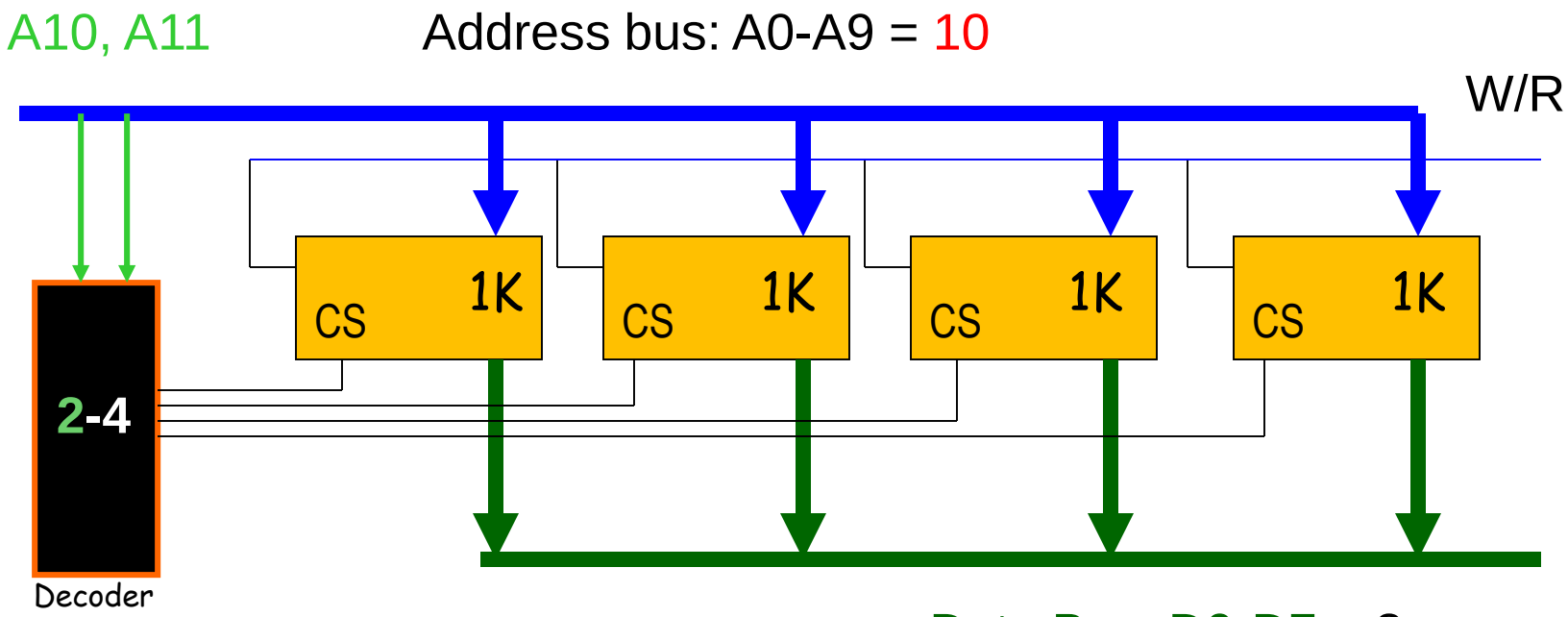
Address bus: A0-A9 = 10



Data Bus: D0-D7 = 8

What else?

4K x 8 (using 1Kx8's) RAM

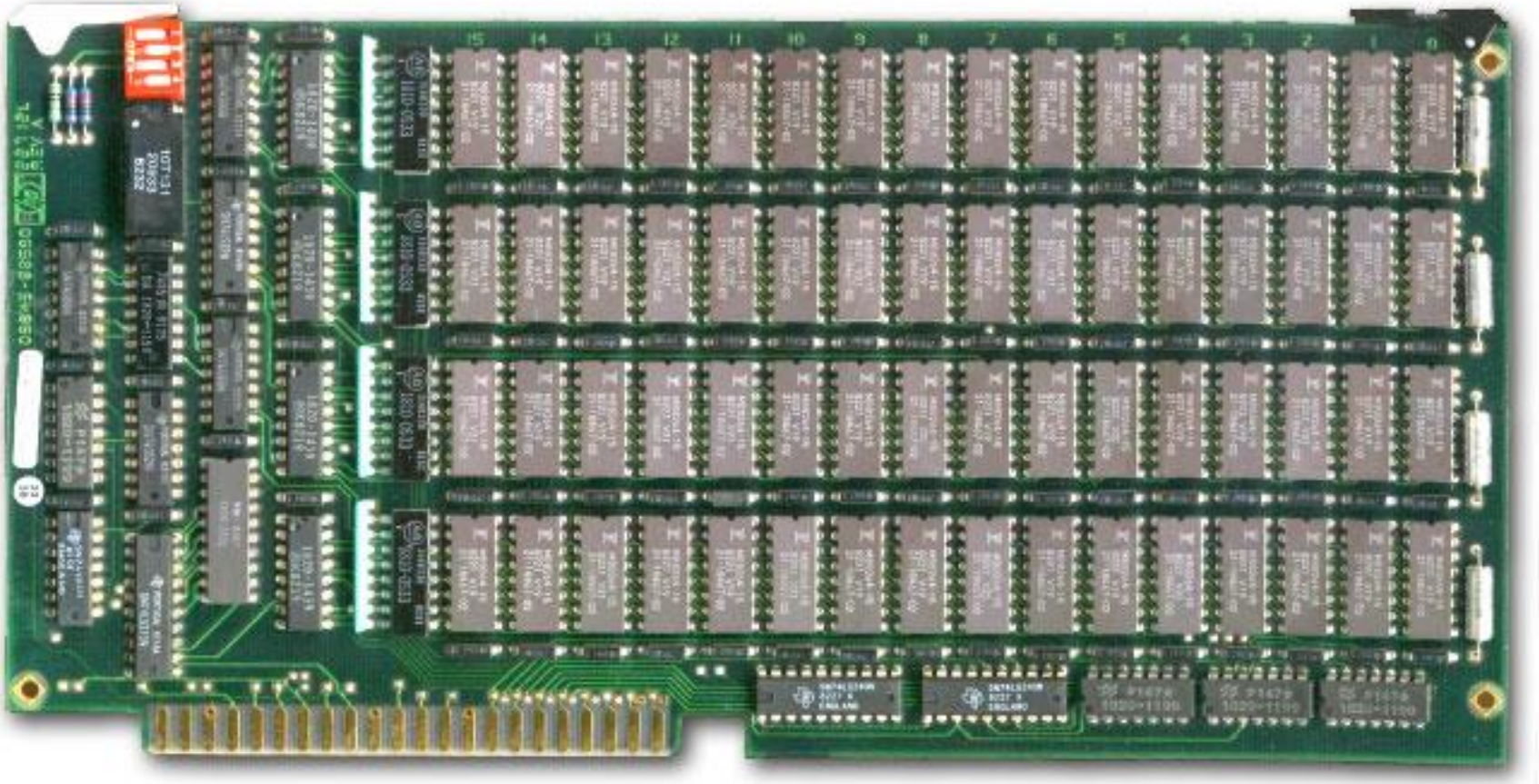


Address Bus: 10 + A10 + A11 = 12

Data Bus: 8

CS = Chip Selector

RAM Memory board



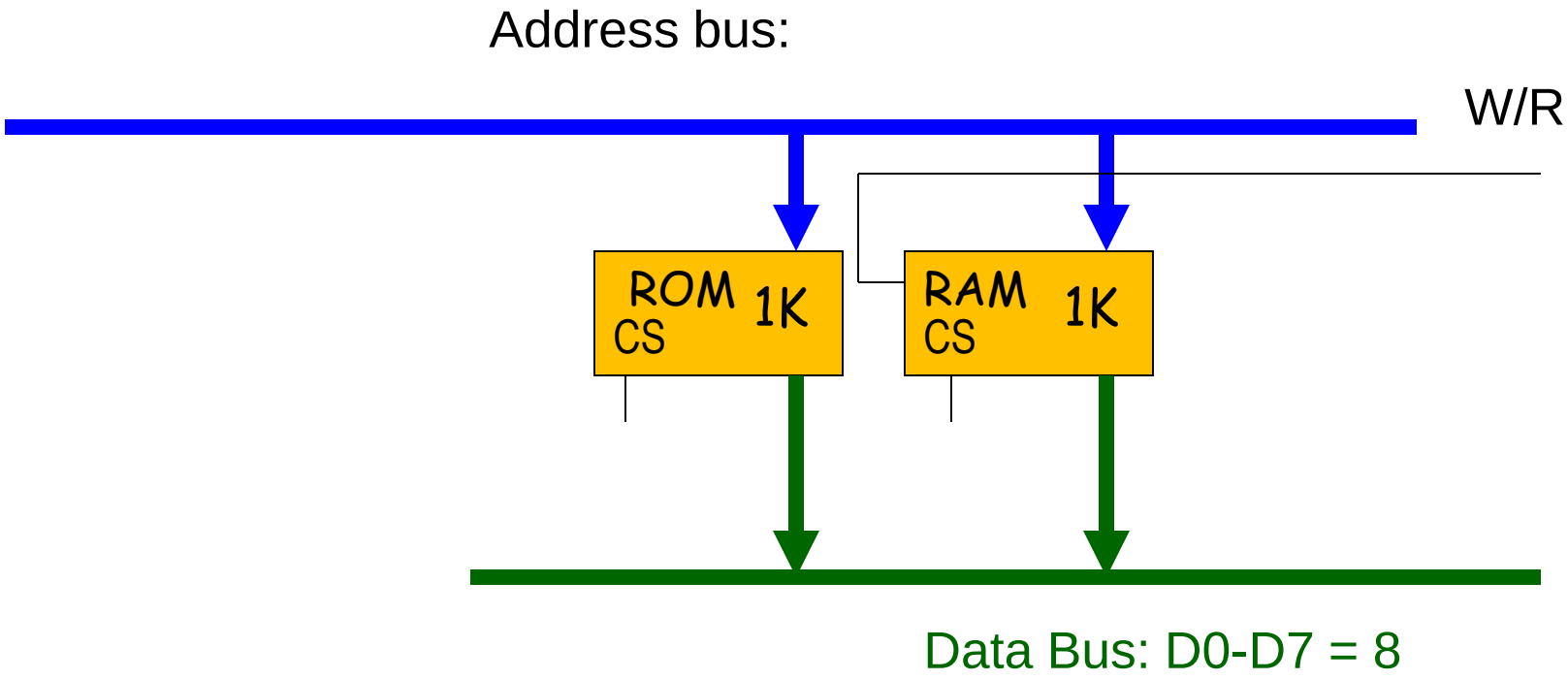
Design a 2K x 8 Memory system using:
RAM (1K x 8) + ROM (1K x 8)

How many bits has the:

→ Data bus (?)

→ Address bus (?)

2K x 8: RAM + ROM



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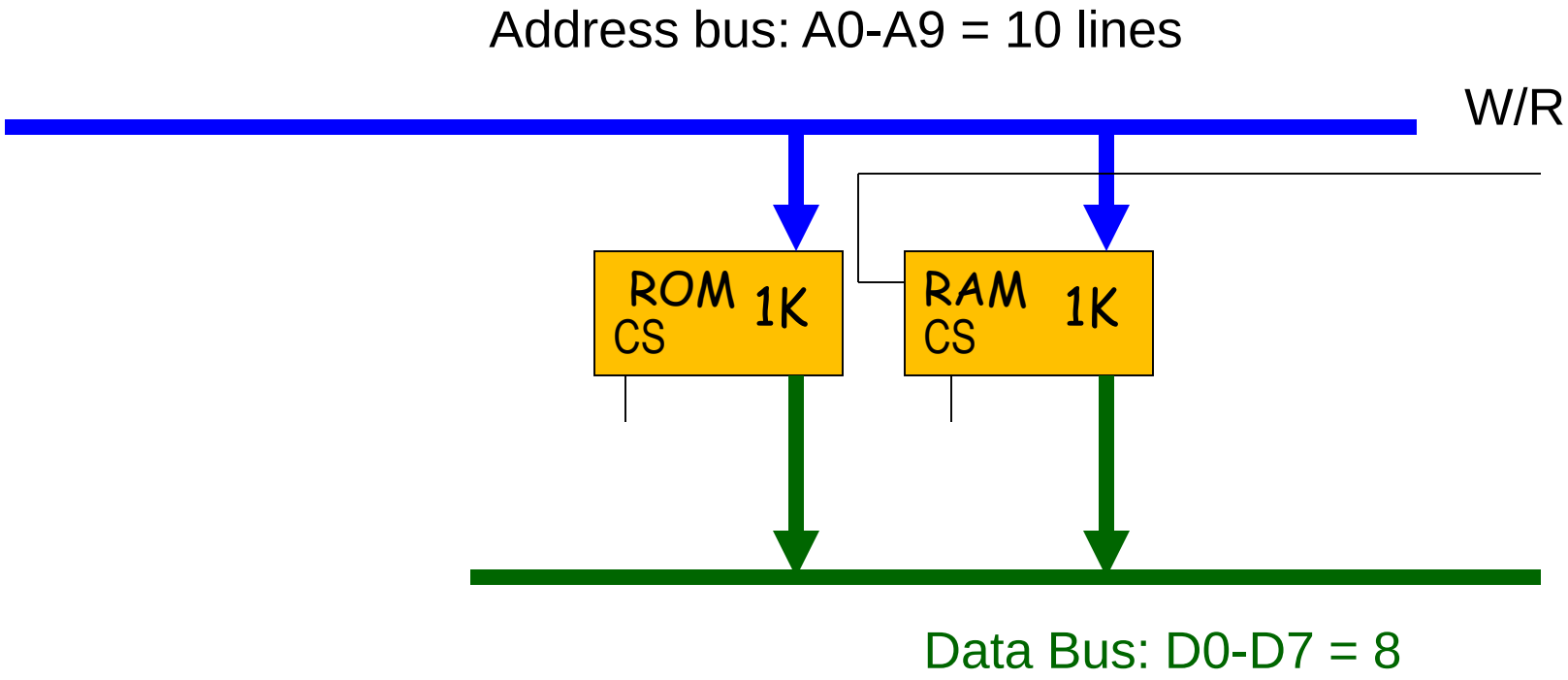
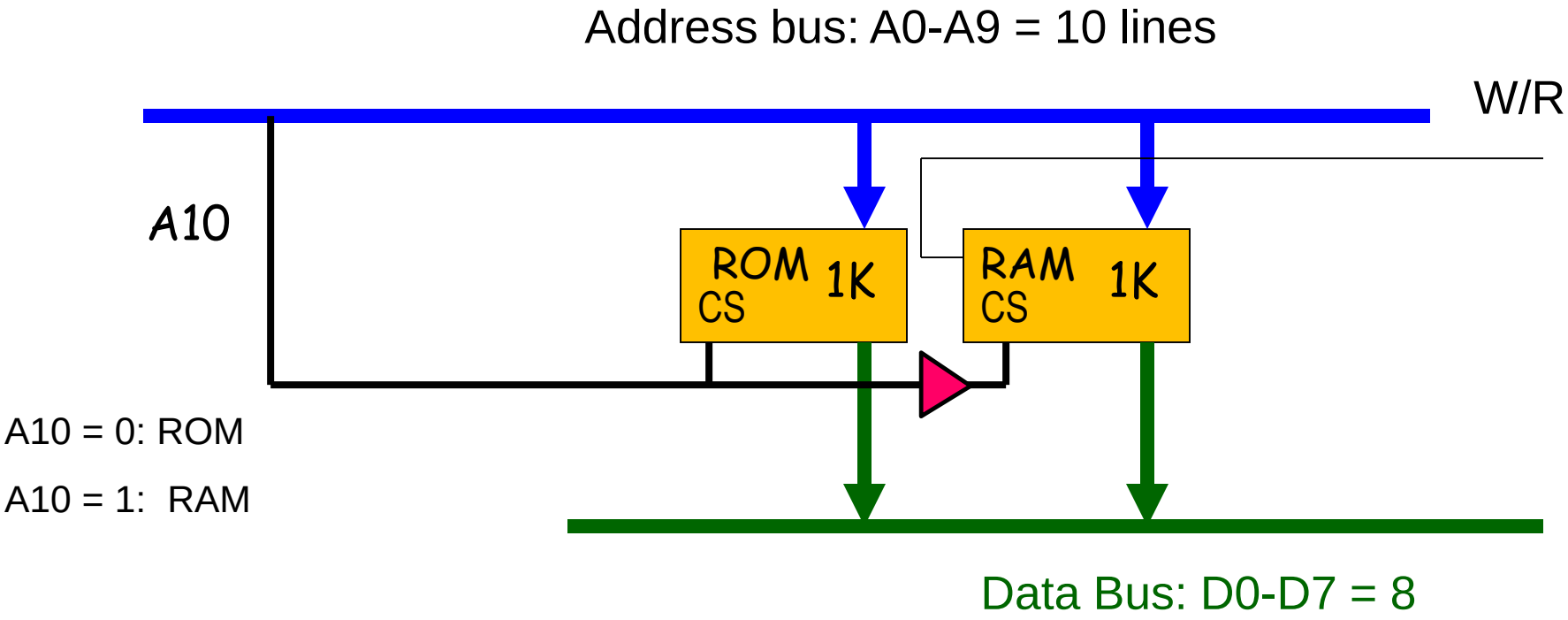
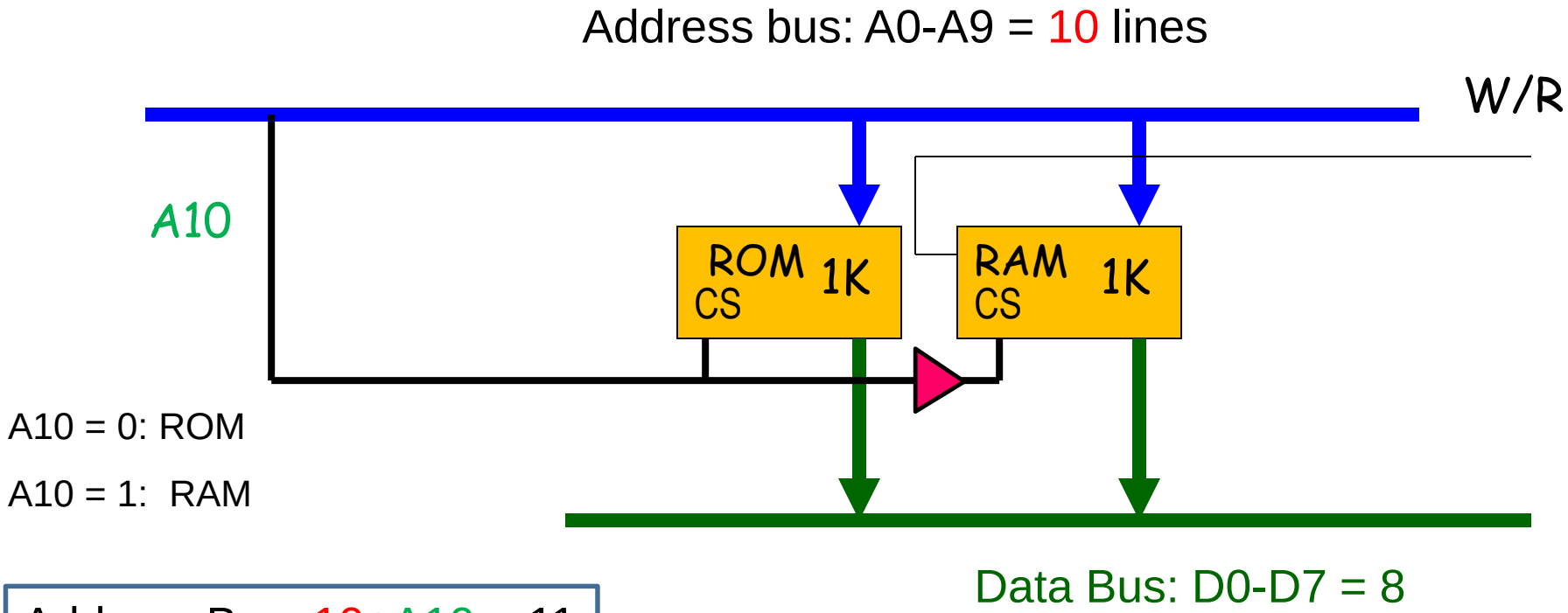
2K x 8: RAM + ROM



2K x 8: RAM + ROM


Address bus: A0-A9 = 10 lines
W/R
A10
ROM 1K
CS
RAM 1K
CS
A10 = 0: ROM
A10 = 1: RAM
Data Bus: D0-D7 = 8

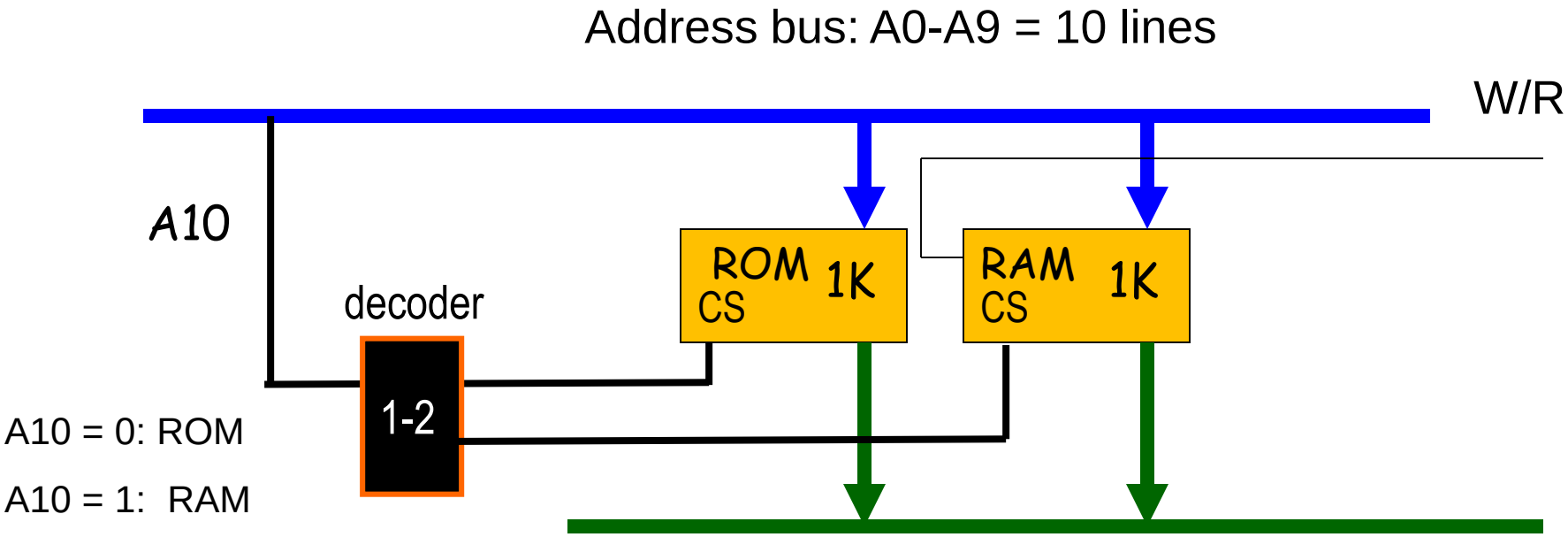
2K x 8: RAM + ROM



Address Bus: 10+A10 = 11

Data Bus: 8

Equivalently using a decoder



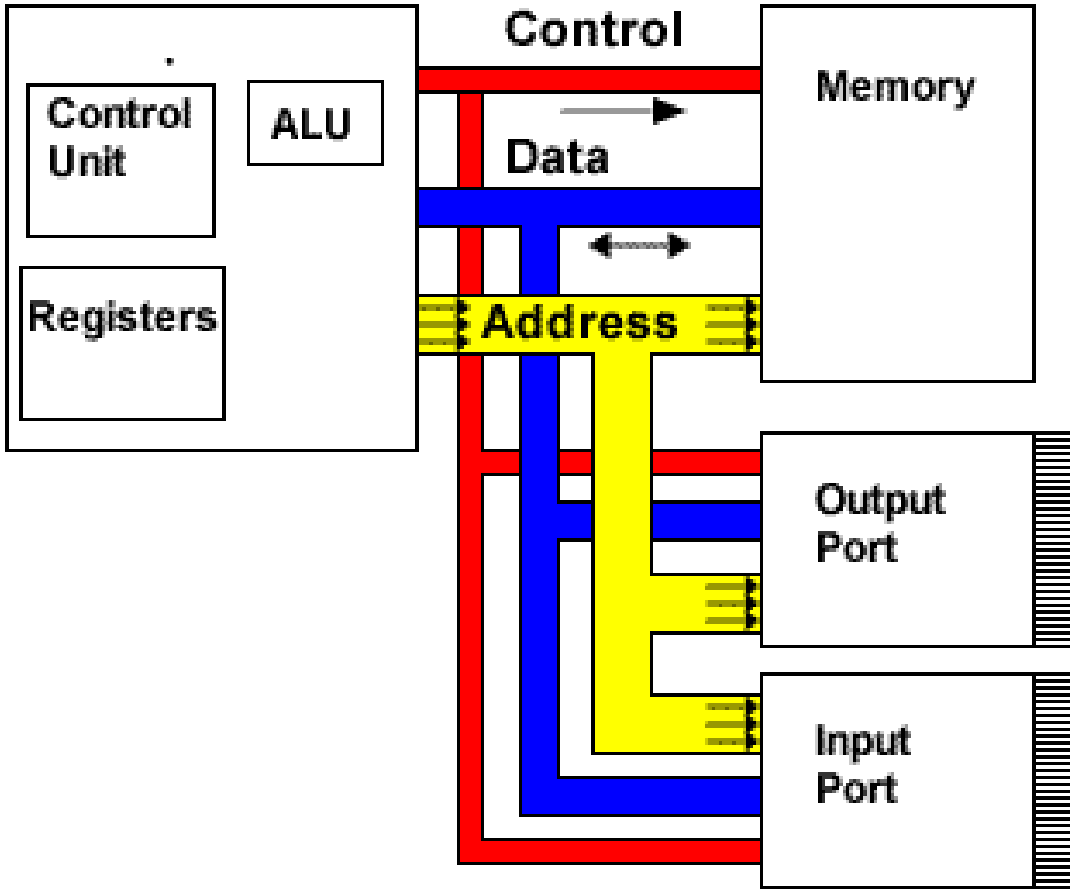
Address Bus: 11

Data Bus: 8

ROM & RAM

ROM	RAM
• Store instructions (permanent) to communicate with hardware components (Input/Output devices) • Store instructions (permanent) to implement functions (logic, arithmetic, …) • …	• Allows data (temporary) to be read or written … • Store (temporary) CPU and memory transfers • Stores (temporary) currently used program instructions … • …

We studied …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ALU
Data
Registers
Address
Output Port
Input Port


End