

# Multi-layered Data Storage Architecture for AI/ML Systems

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# OUTLINE

- Introductions: AI, AI Model, AI applications, industrial AIoT, efficiency, bottlenecks, ...
- Computing with AI (AI Computing) vs. Memory and Storage (M&S).
- A novel interface bus for communicating between AI Computing with Memory and Storage.
- Speed and Responsitivity matching examples.
- An Example of Multi-layered Storage and System Application.
- Conclusions and Discussions.



# Where / What is the AI?

## Applications:

- Image Processing and Pattern Recognitions
- Medical Data Processing and Syndromes Identification.
- Robotics and Factory Automation:
- Autonomous Vehicles:
- ...

## Locations:

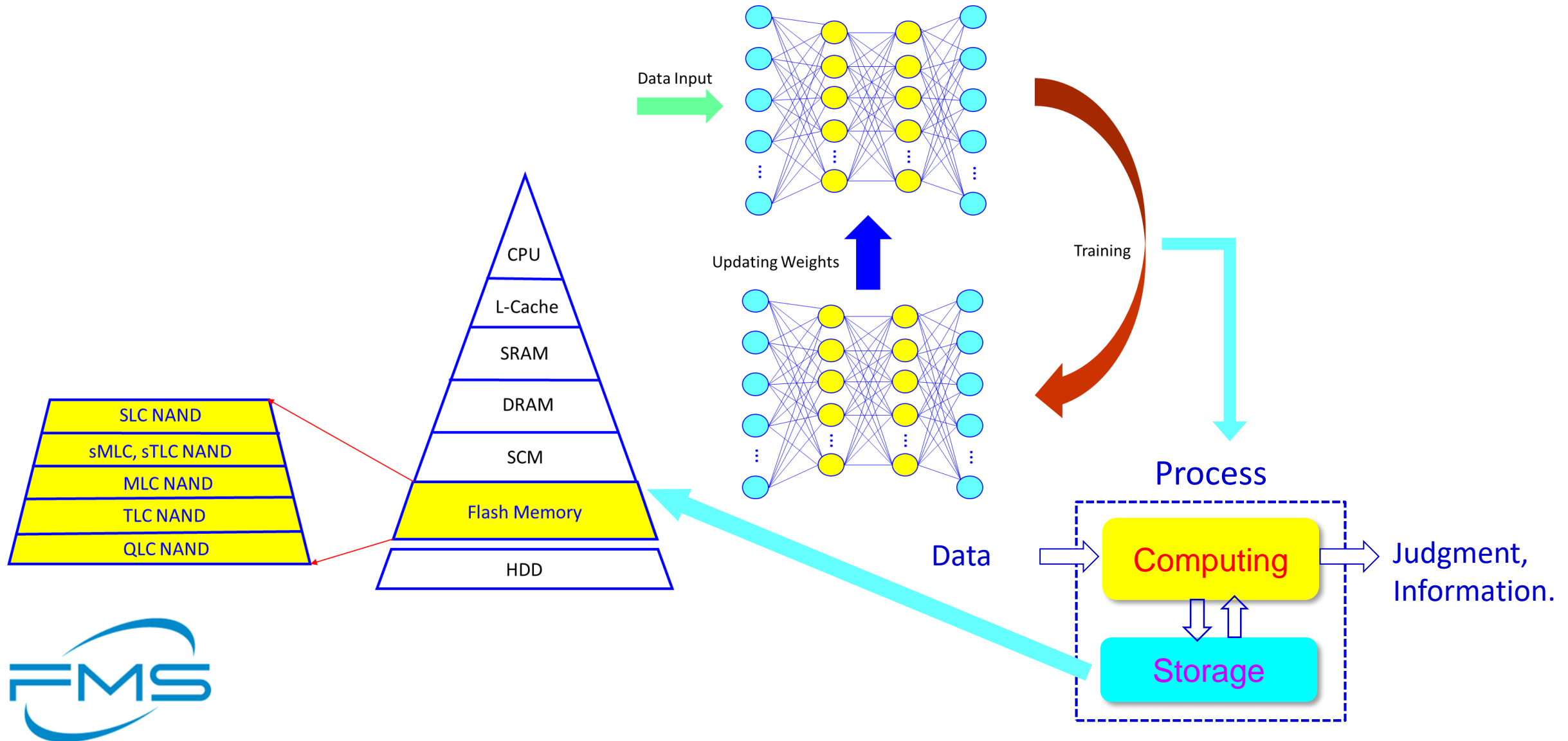
- End-Points: simple and fast response.
- Edge: Local judgement.
- Cloud: Central Intelligent systems.
- ...

## Performance:

- Accuracy: 80%, 90%, 99%, ...
- Speed (time): Latency, Throughput, ...
- Transparency: The rule base principles.
- Scalability: Cost, Complexity, Efficiency, ...
- ...



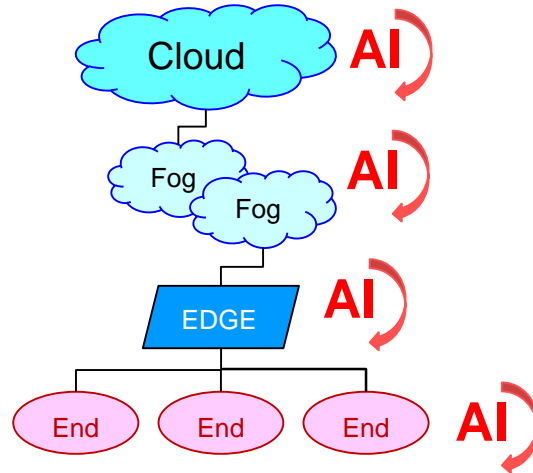
# AI Model – the Storage & Memory for AI



# AI Practical: Multi-structure

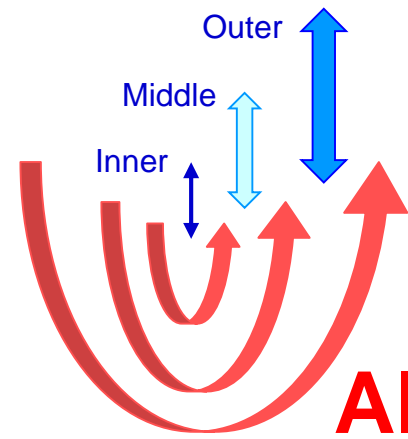
## Multi-layer:

- AI on End-point:
- AI on Edge:
- AI on Fog:
- AI on Cloud:



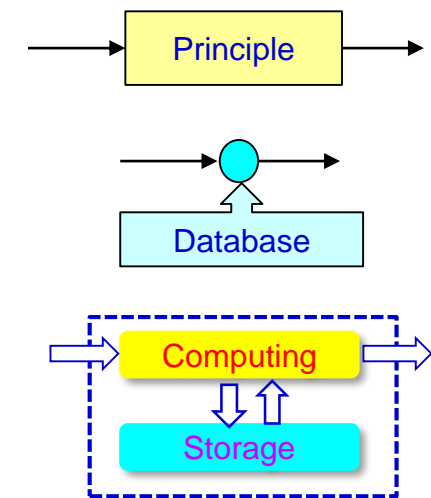
## Multi-loop:

- Inner Loop: fastest response.
- Middle Loop: middle way
- Outer Loop: long / deep inferencing.



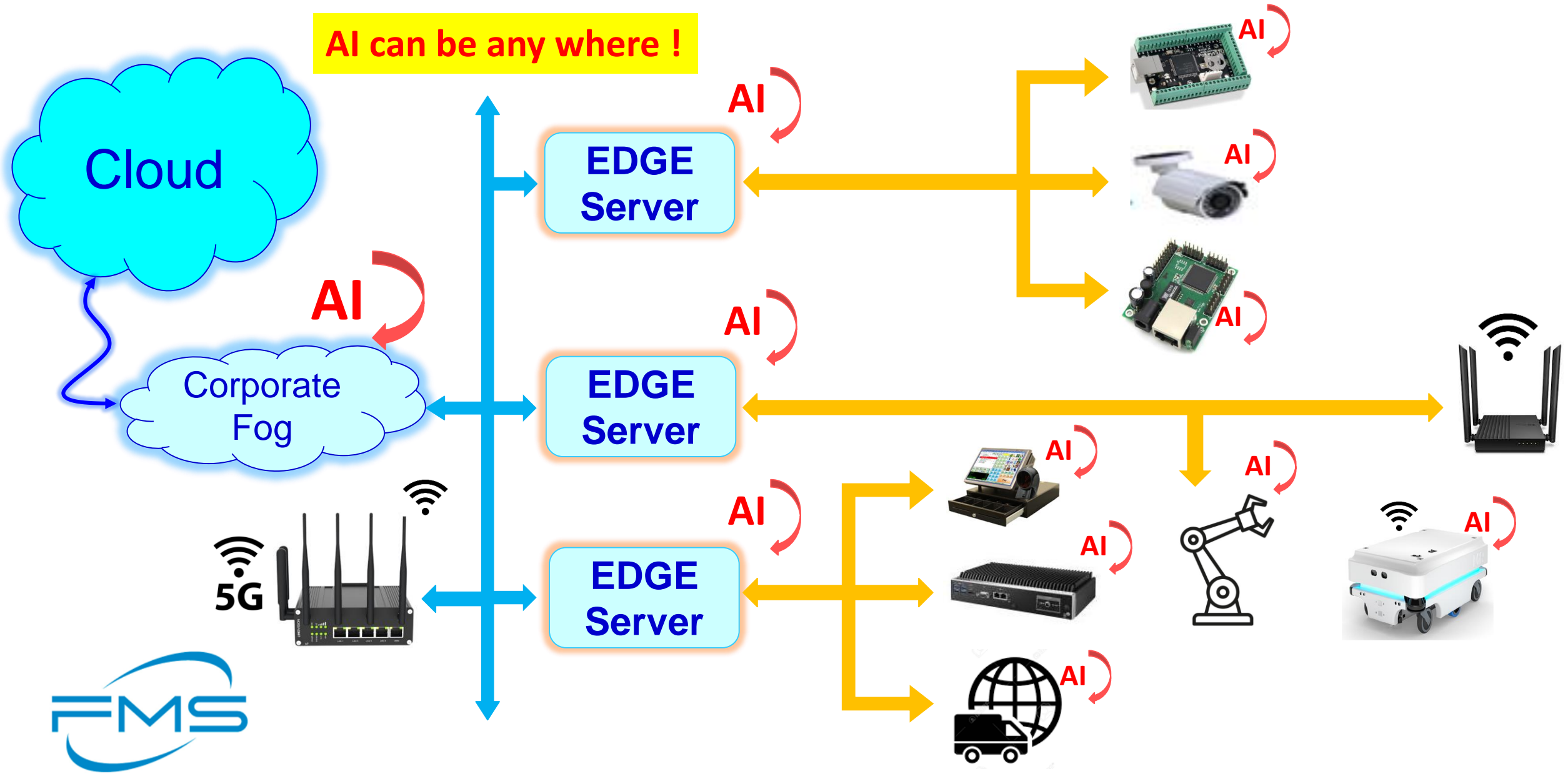
## Multi-path:

- Experience Principle:
- Expert database lookup:
- Simple Training:
- Machine Learning:
- Deep Learning:



# EX: AI & IoT in a Smart Factory

AI can be any where !



# LLM and Multi-layered AI Model

- LLM (Large Language Model): LLMs can be used for text generation, a form of generative AI, by taking an input text and repeatedly predicting the next token or word.
- Some notable LLMs are OpenAI's GPT series of models (e.g., GPT-3.5, GPT-4 and GPT-4o; used in ChatGPT and Microsoft Copilot), Google's Gemini (the latter of which is currently used in the chatbot of the same name), Meta's LLaMA family of models, Anthropic's Claude models, OPT (Zhang et al., 2022b), PaLM (Chowdhery et al., 2022) and Mistral AI's models.
- Multi-layered AI Model:
  - To mimic human neural network and optimize the operation efficiency.
  - Grouping by the updating frequency of each node.
  - Grouping by the updating correlation of each node.



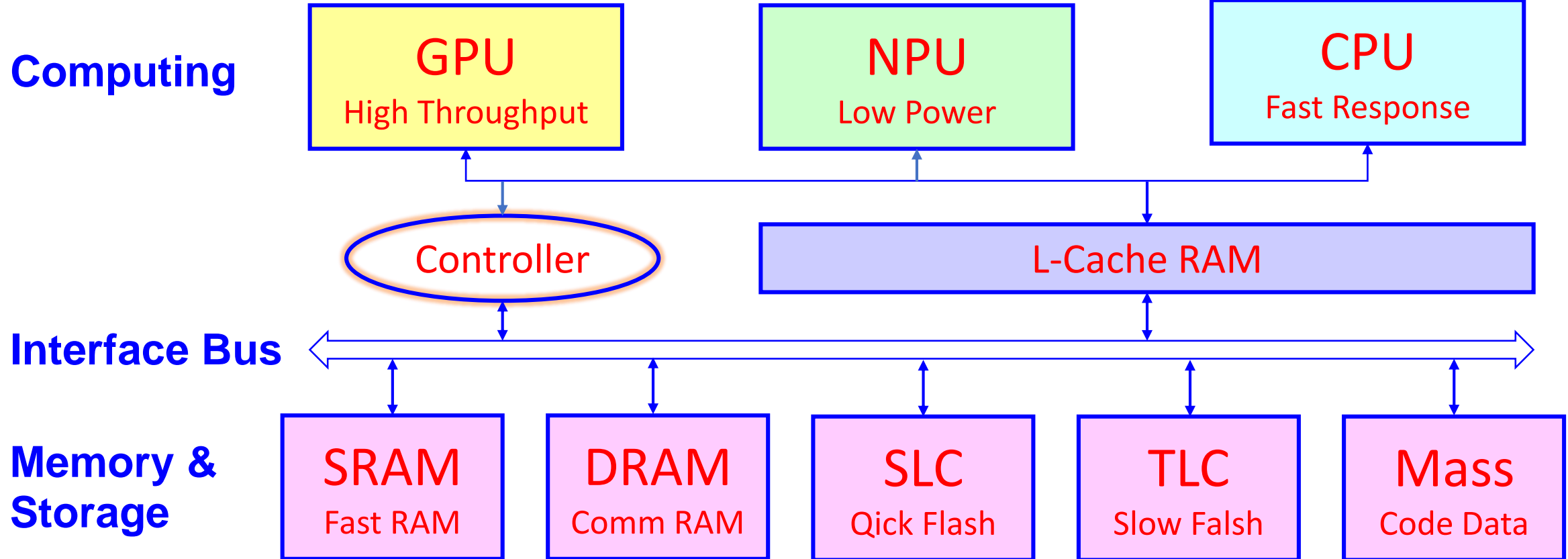
# Bottlenecks and Inefficiencies

- **Good is enough?:** How fast and how accurate is good enough? there is no standard or analytical answers for users, ...
- **Power consumptions:** Computation efficiency, Data transfer, Data amount, and iteration loops.
- **Material Cost:** Pursuing infinite computing power, memory speed and density, ....
- **Scope:** Universal or Specific, All-cover or Domain expert.

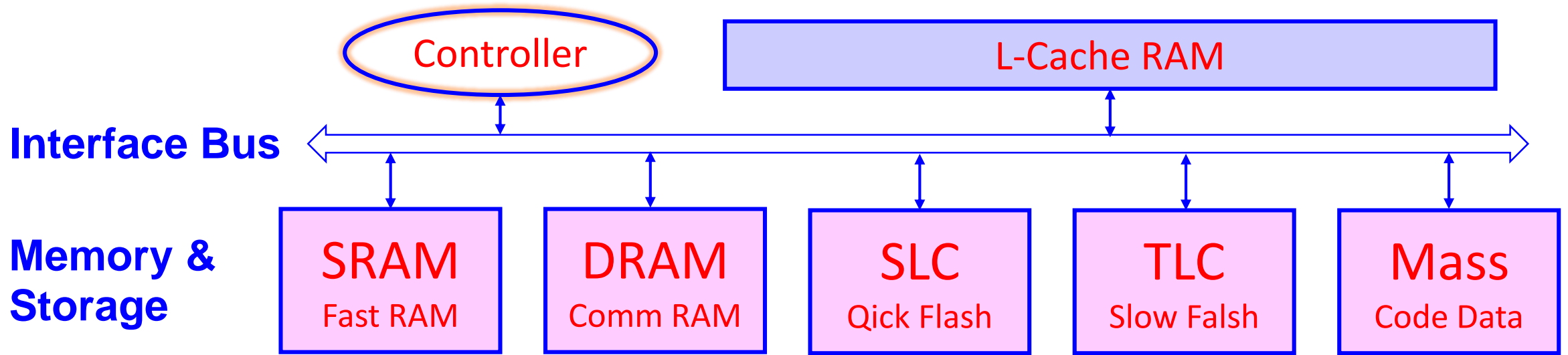




# Computing vs. Memory & Storage

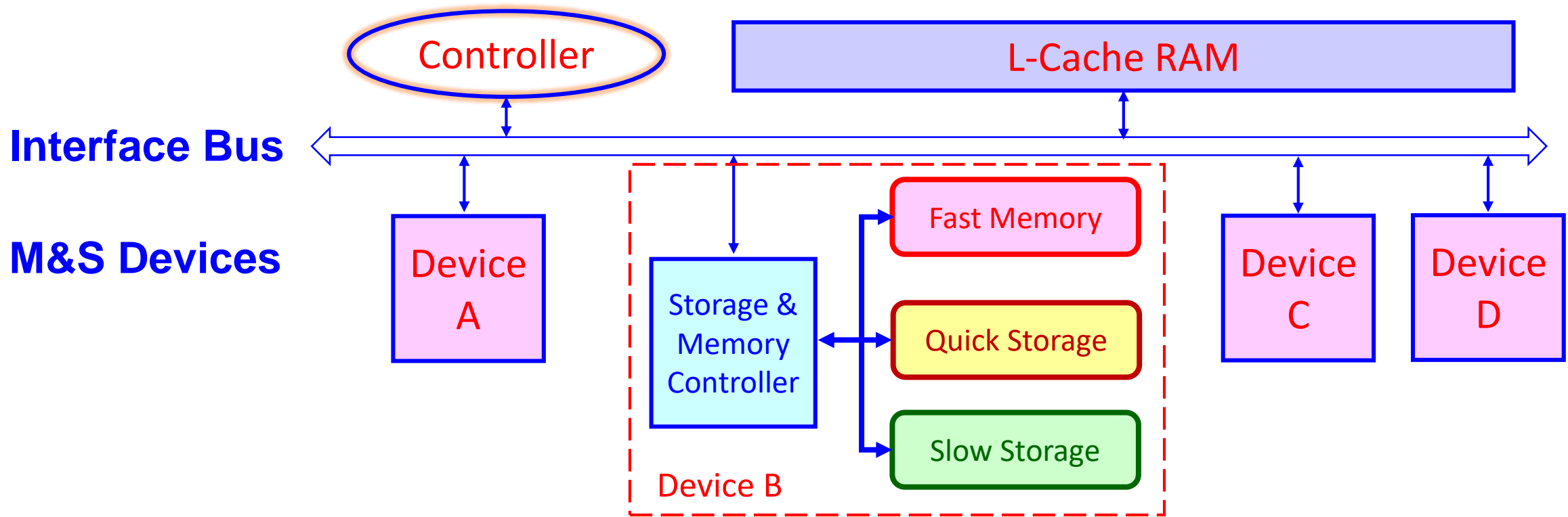


# Interface Bus for Communicating



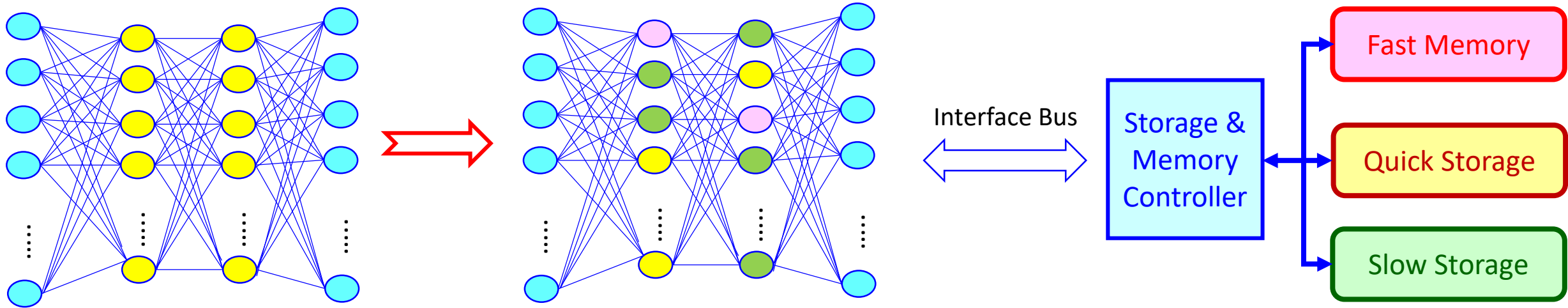
- A novel Interface bus with Respositivity garde as defining the Data I/O, Memory access commands and protocol.
- The bandwidth of the interface bus shall be high enough (e.g., PCIe Gen-5 or Gen-6) to provide highest response memory devices, like SRAM.
- An integrated Storage & Memory device can include the multiple storage media types to meet the requirement of the Multi-layer AI/ML system.

# A Multi-layered Data Storage



- A Multi-layered Data Storage designed for the novel interface bus with respositivity garde.
- An example of 3 layered Data Storage device as: DRAM, SLC Flash, TLC Flash.

# Updating Freq. Filtering/Ranking for CNN

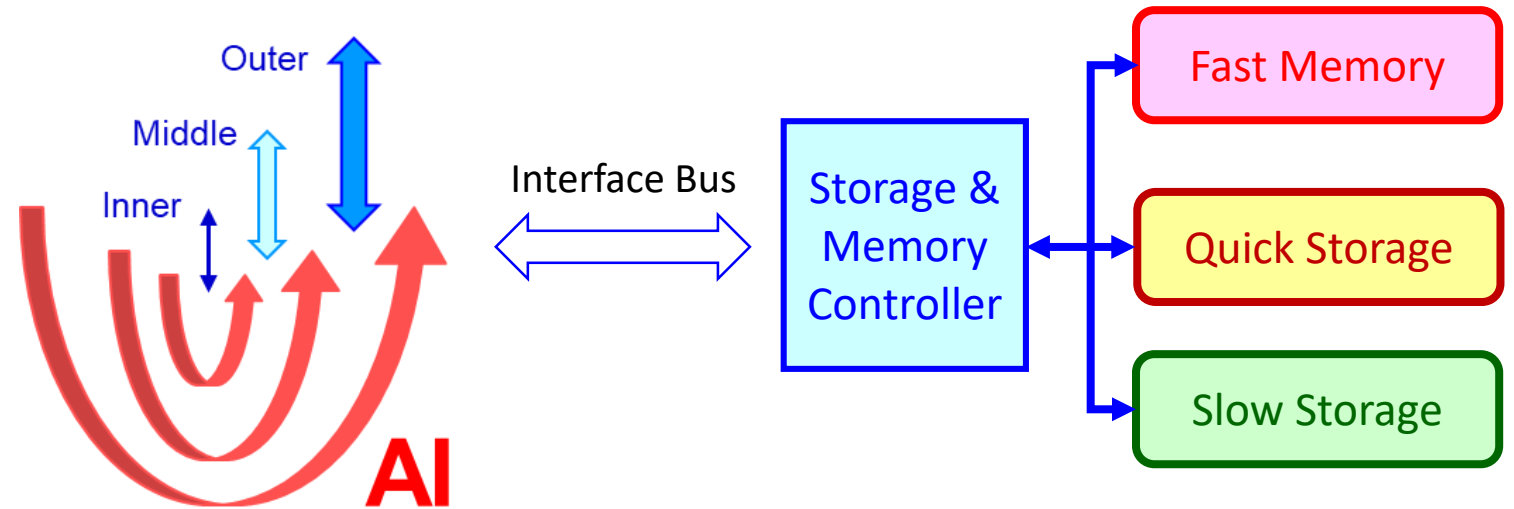


- CNN is Natural Sparsity (around 1~2%).
- Grouping by the updating frequency: Hot nodes or Cold nodes.
- Frequently updating nodes matching to Fast Memory.

# Layered Matching with CNN Architecture

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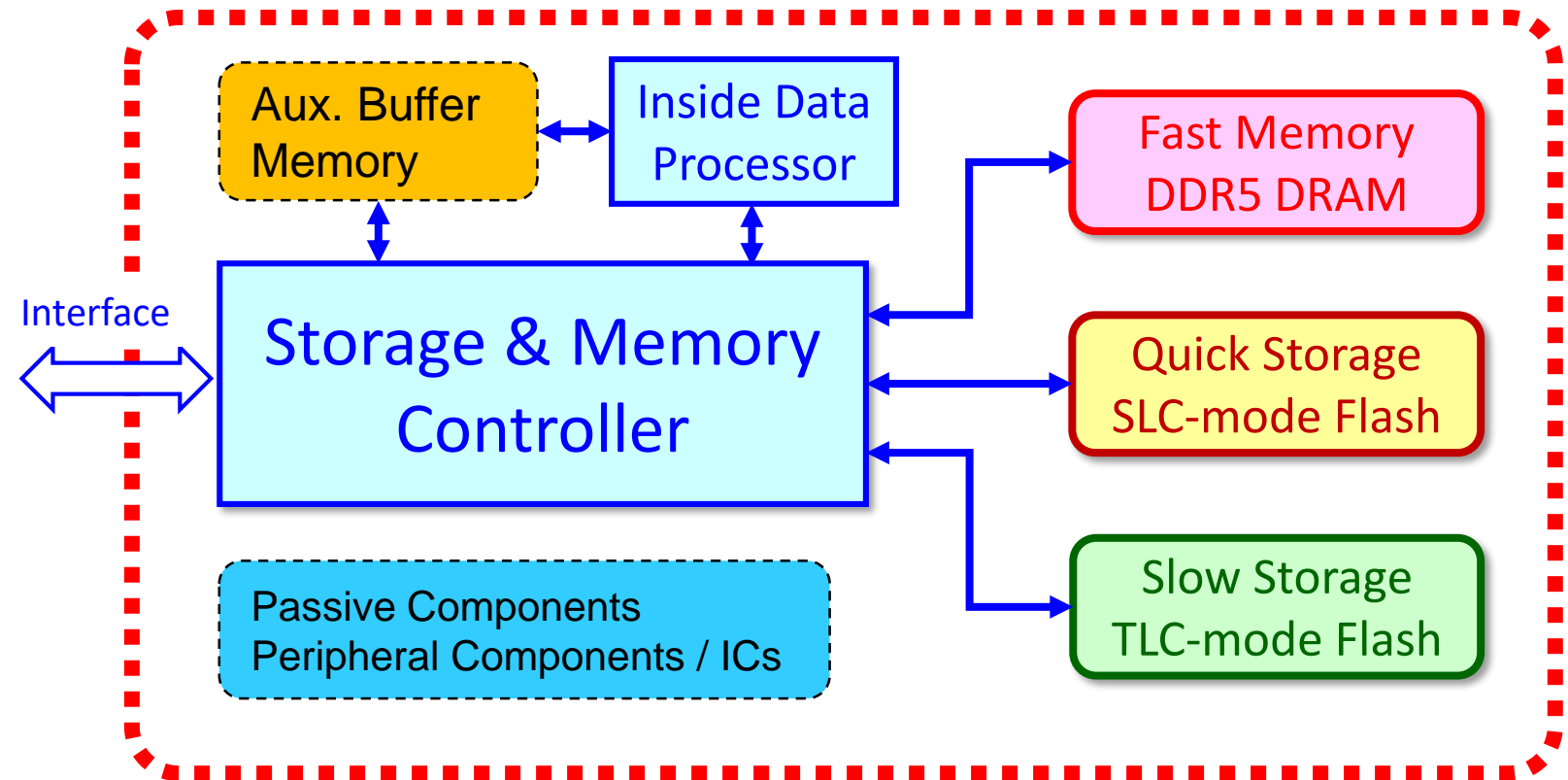


- CNN: different architecture for different application scenario.
- Inner nets matching to fast-response memory. (Fast Memory)
- Middle nets matching to quick-response storage. (Quick Storage)
- Outer nets matching to long-latency storage. (Slow Storage)

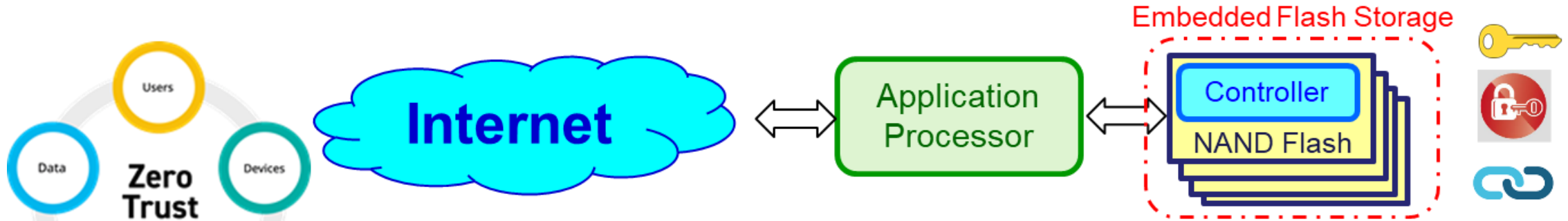
# An Example of Multi-layered Storage

## Host (AI Computing):

- NVMe/PCIe Gen 5 standard commands.
- Vendor commands with responsivity ranks.
- Vendor commands supporting Multi-layered features and functions.
- Multiple Ports optional.
- SR-IOV (Single-Root I/O Virtualization) optional.



# Security is always Essential in AI, IoT.



## Digital Signature

- Point identification and authentication by Private Key.
- Key management with Security Module.

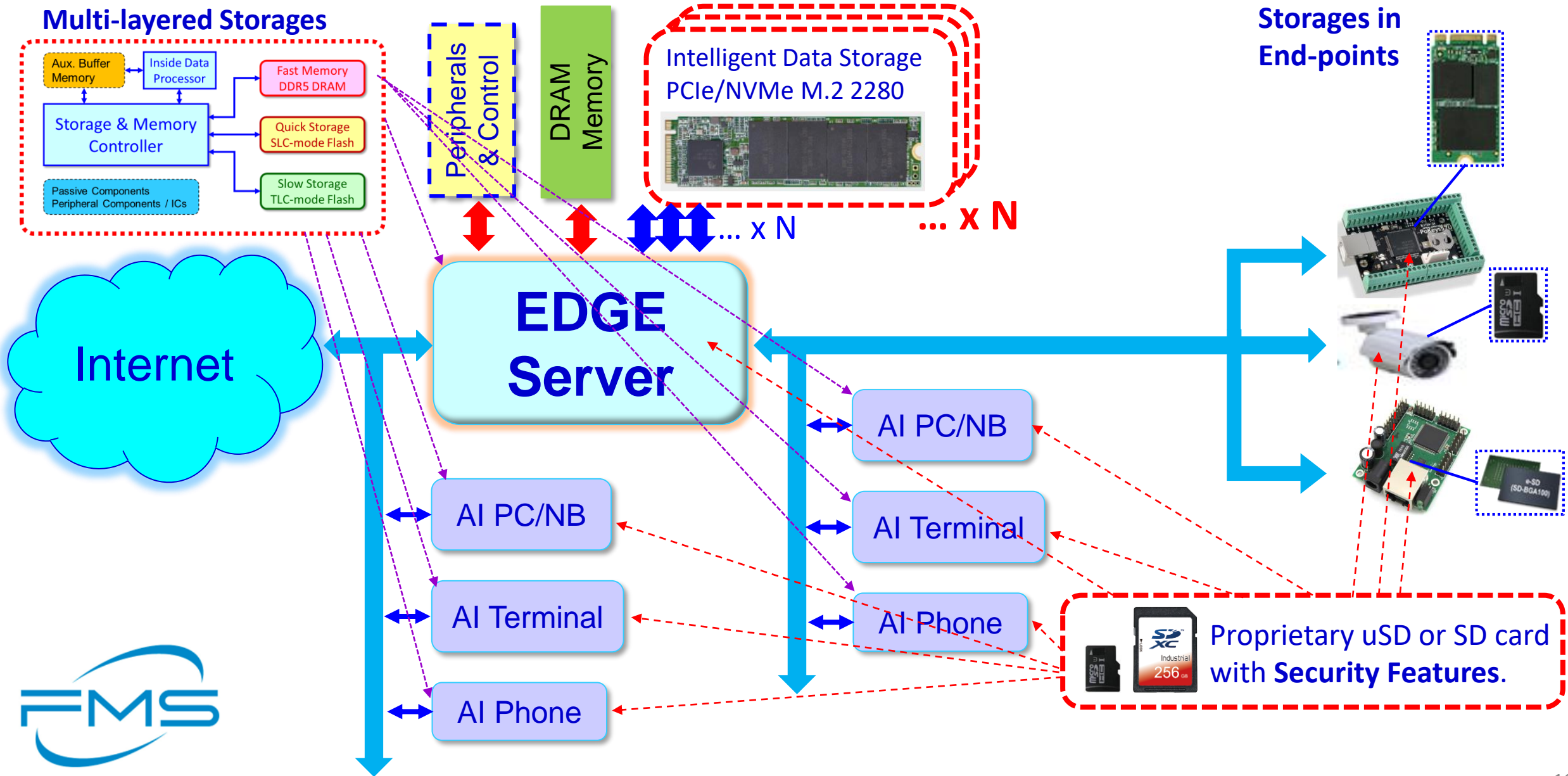
## Data Crypto

- Data Encryption and Decryption.
- Data hidden and Data encrypted.

## WORM

- WORM: Write Once Read Many.
- Data printed and secure the Data chain.

# Example: System View for Applications





# Conclusions

- AI Model architecture for better operational efficiency would be worth to having further research.
- A novel interface bus is presented for matching the speed and responsitivity between AI Computing and Memory & Storage devices.
- A good enough AI application ECO systems is still on the way.
- An example of Multi-layered data storage device and system application is illustrated for the application scenario.



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