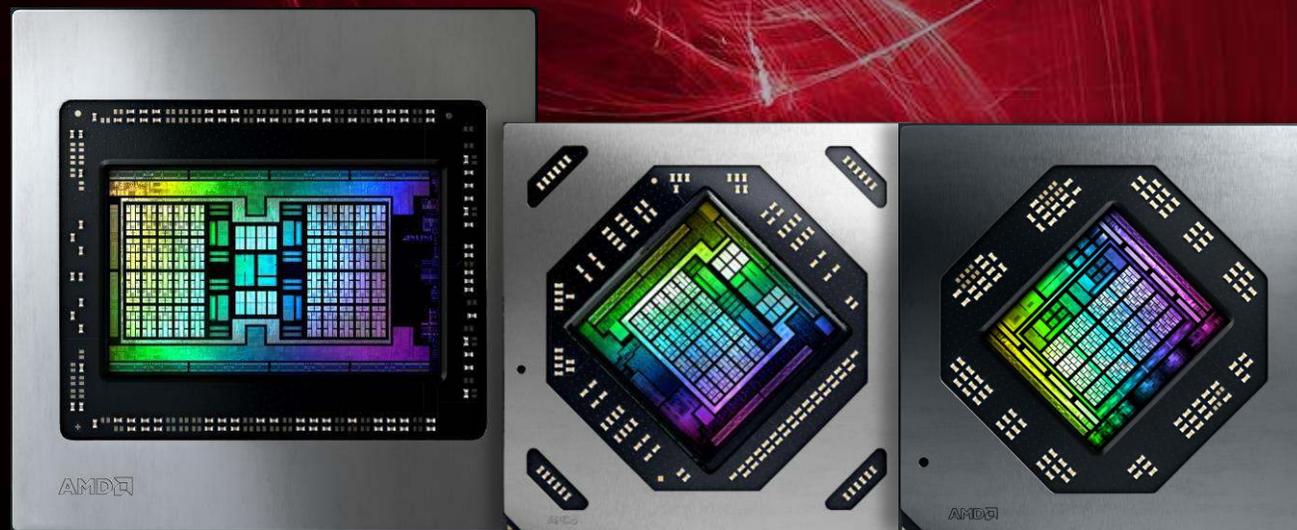




RDNA™ 2 GAMING ARCHITECTURE

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AMD RDNA™ VISION

DESIGNED FOR THE FUTURE OF GAMING

PERFORMANCE

For Diverse Modern
Gaming Workloads

EFFICIENCY

For Optimal Power and
Bandwidth Utilization

SCALABILITY

From Mobile to
Cloud Gaming

FEATURES

And Ecosystem
Enablement

AMD RDNA 2

GAMING ARCHITECTURE

BREAKTHROUGH HIGH-SPEED DESIGN

- High frequencies and superb power efficiency

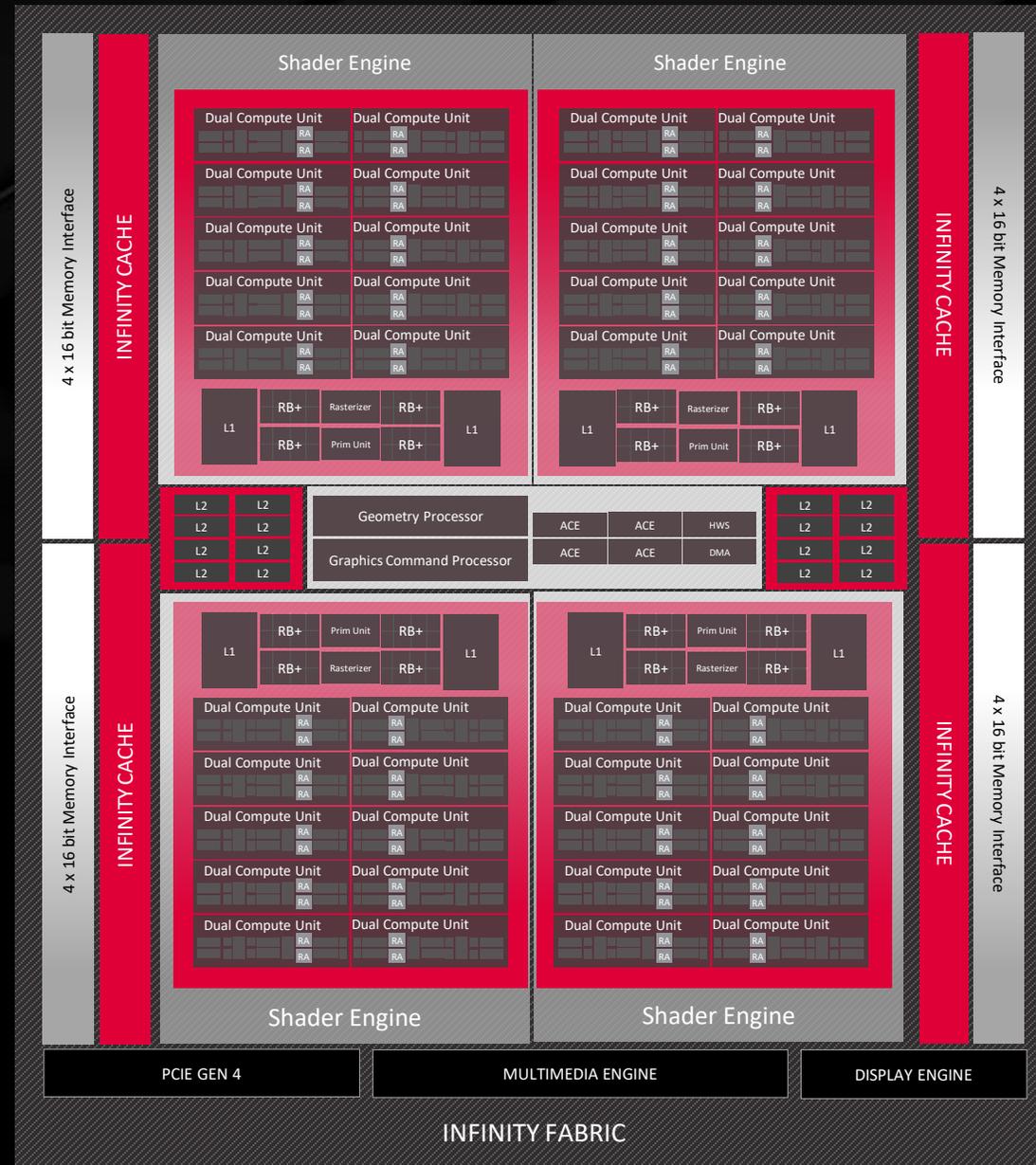
REVOLUTIONARY AMD INFINITY CACHE

- 128MB cache with extreme bandwidth at lower power

ADVANCED FEATURES

- DX12[®] Ultimate and support for DirectStorage API

MORE PERFORMANCE, LESS POWER!



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BREAKTHROUGH HIGH-SPEED DESIGN

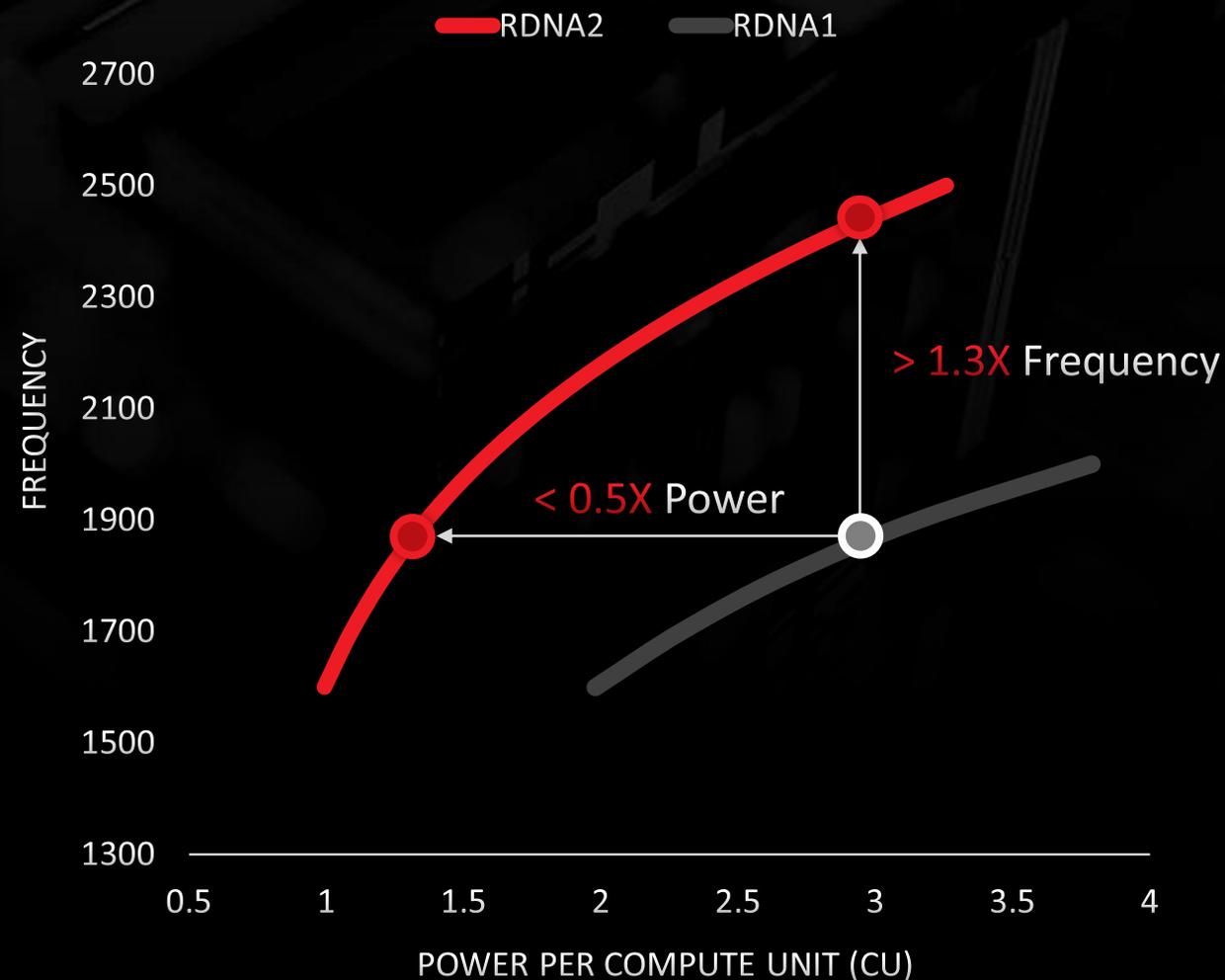
HIGH FREQUENCY IN THE DNA

- Leverages world-class CPU design methodologies
- Streamlined micro-architecture with heavy emphasis on reduced switching capacitance

PERFORMANCE-POWER SCALABILITY

- Up to 1.3X frequency at same power per CU
- Up to 50% per CU power at same frequency

SAME 7nm TECHNOLOGY, HUGE GAINS



CACHE IN RADEON™ RX 5000 SERIES

GREAT BANDWIDTH BUT LOW HIT RATES

L0 localized to each CU

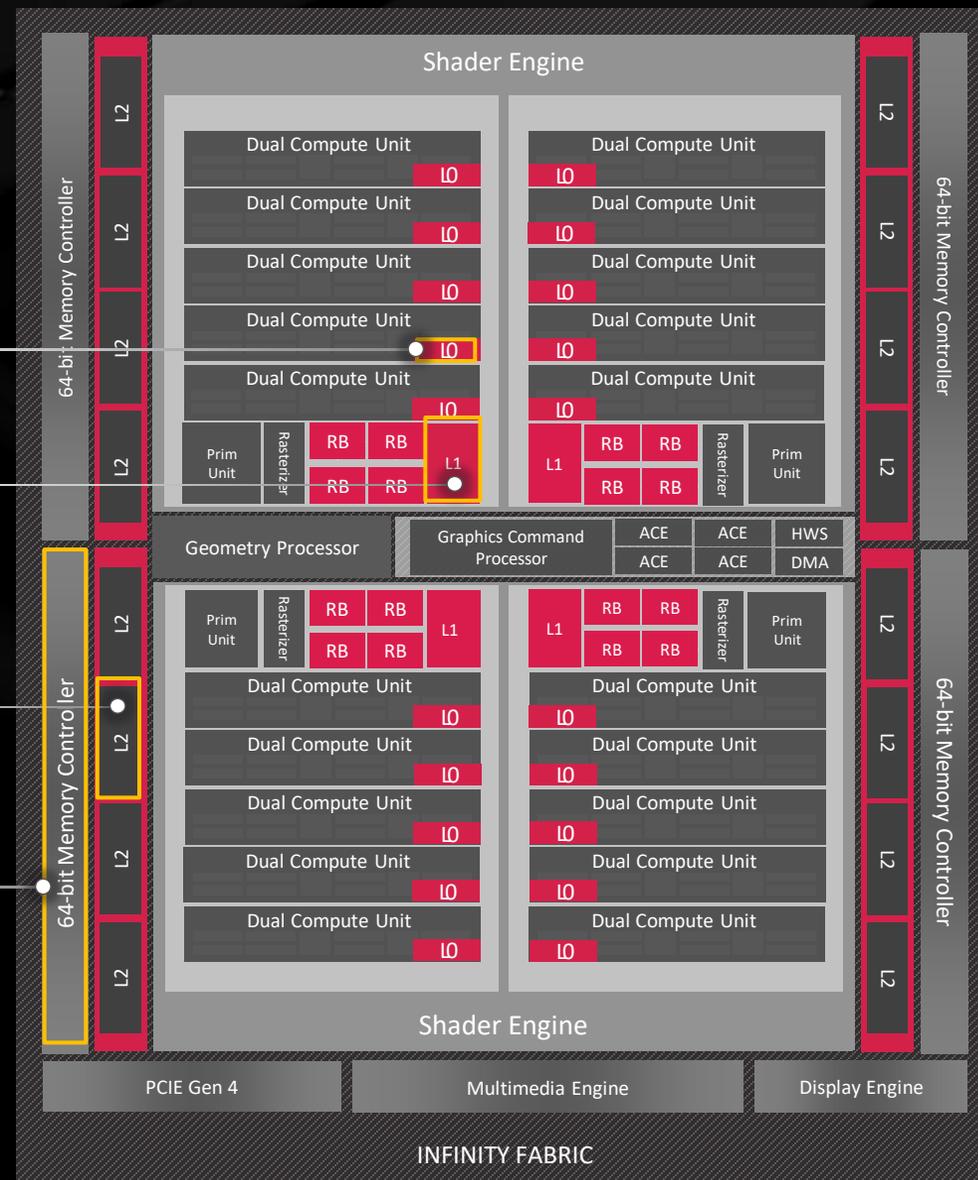
L1 private in each shader engine with exclusive L2 access

4MB L2 shares data between Shader Engines and Command Processor

256b of 14Gb/s GDDR6 for 448GB/s BW

CHALLENGE FOR AMD RDNA™ 2

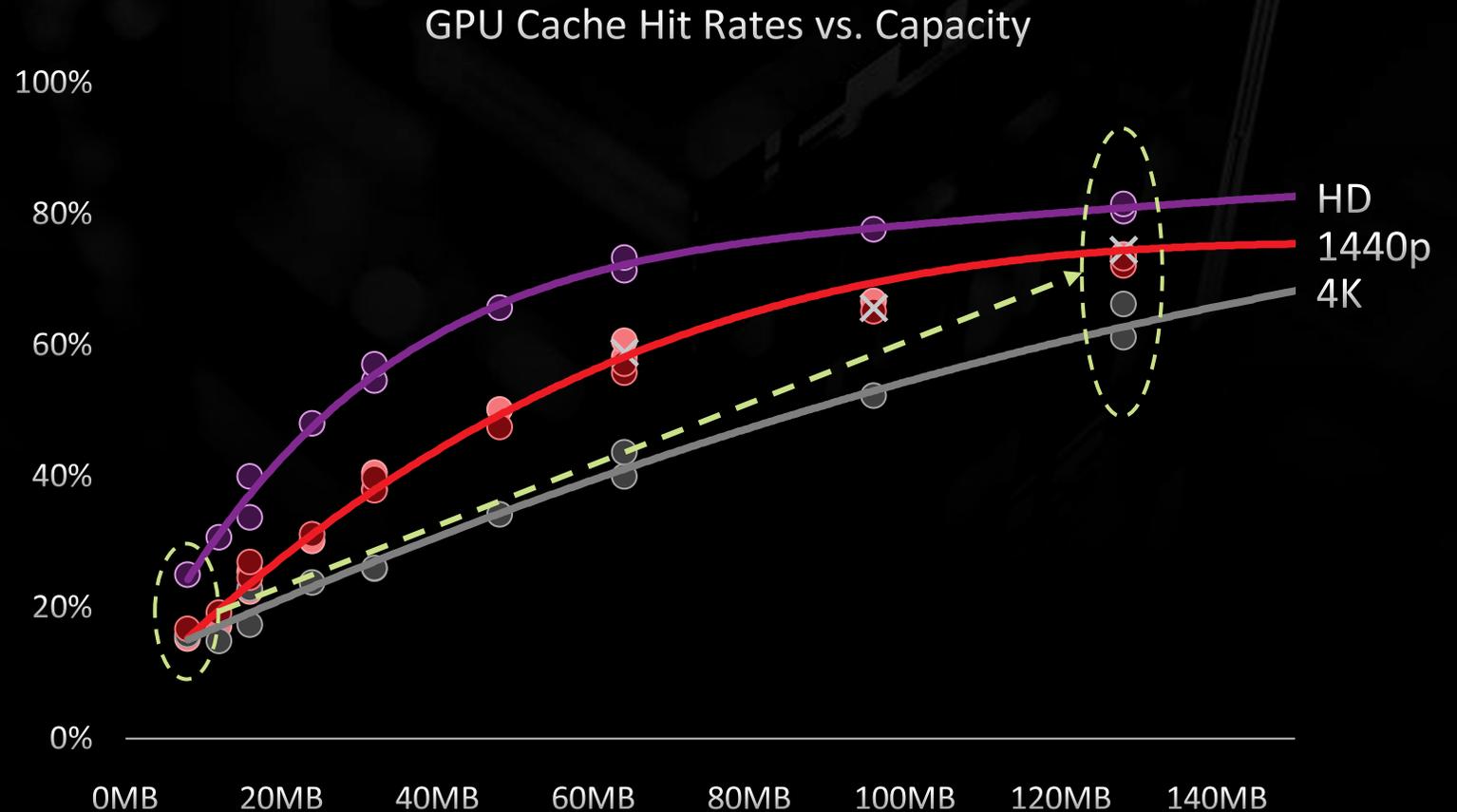
Double the CU count at 1.3X the frequency without being bandwidth starved



SOLVING THE BANDWIDTH PROBLEM

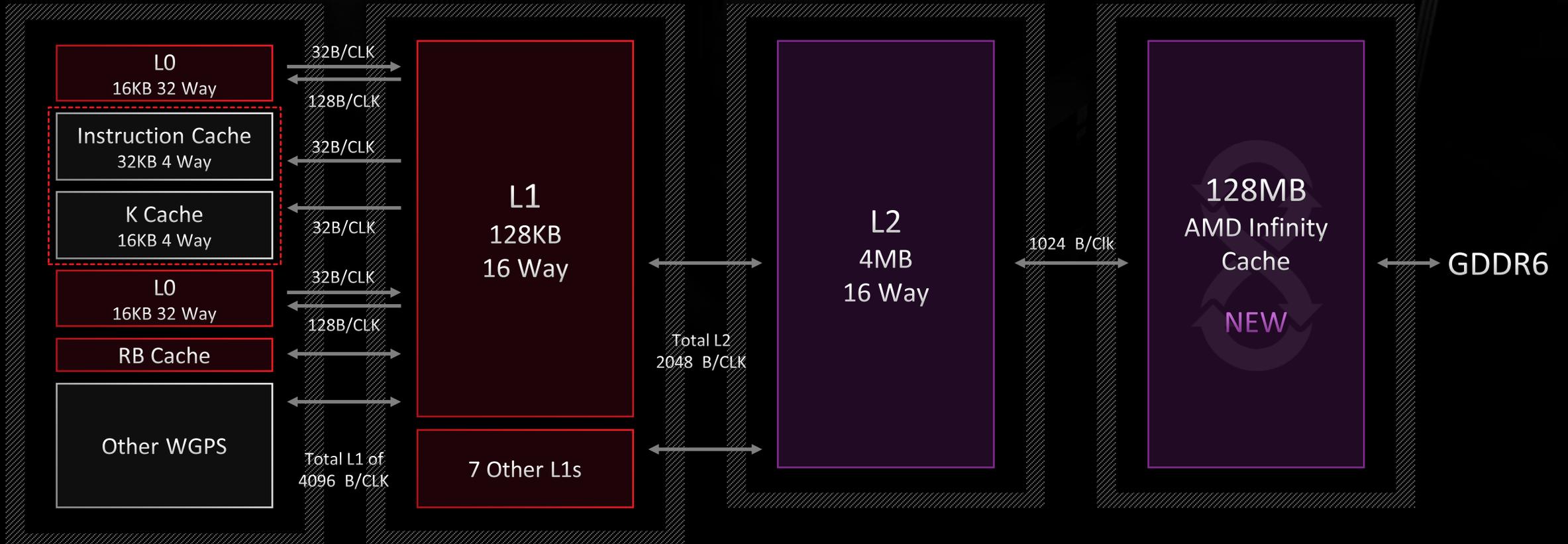
FRAME DATA CONTAINED IN A LARGE CACHE

- Our GPU Caches in RDNA were focused on supporting the high bandwidth demands of the engine
- The capacities were low, in the 4MB range
- A larger cache could provide compelling bandwidth amplification for common gaming



NEW CACHE HIERARCHY

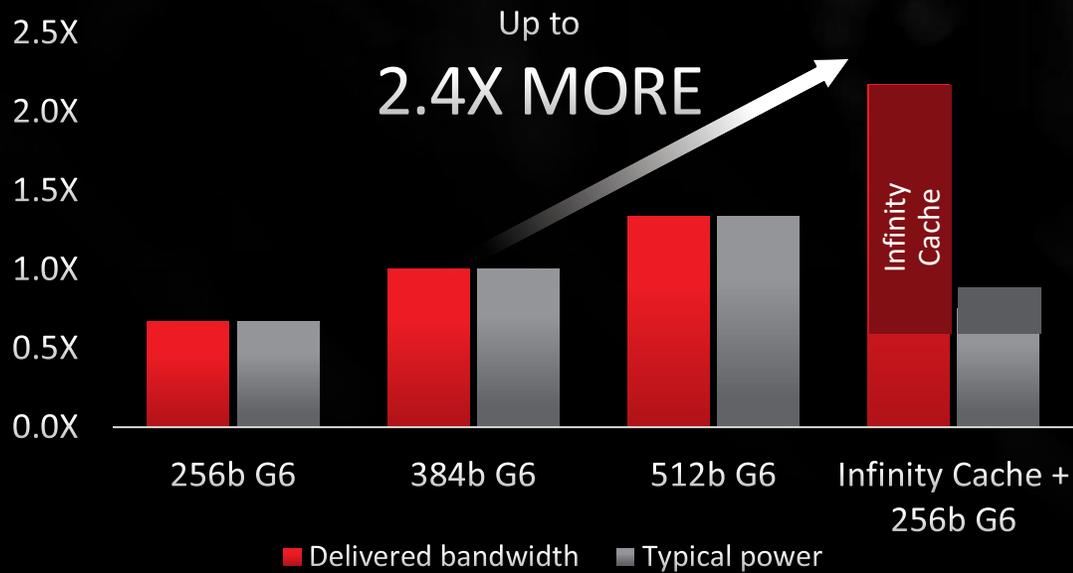
LOCAL CACHE TO GLOBAL CACHE



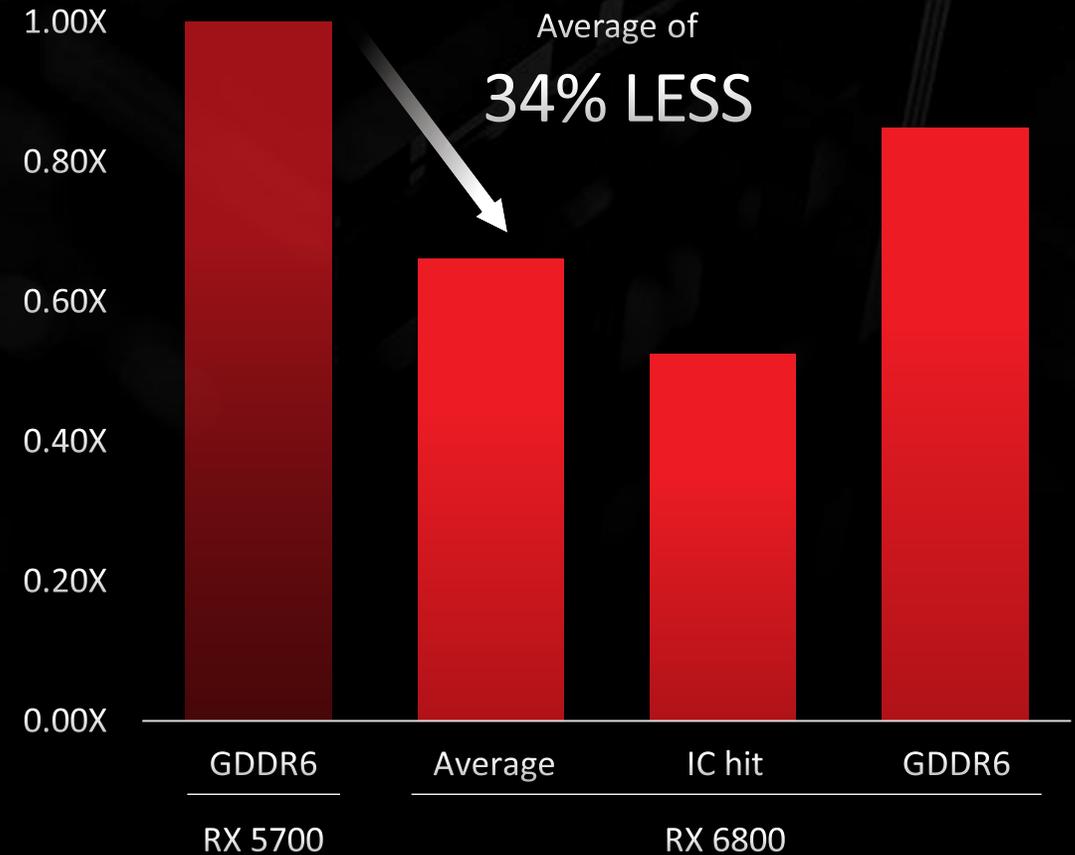
CAPTURES SPATIAL AND TEMPORAL DATA RE-USE, MINIMIZING DATA MOVEMENT, LATENCIES, AND POWER

AMD INFINITY CACHE BENEFITS

Bandwidth/Watt



Memory Latency (nS)



1.3 pJ
Infinity Cache Access

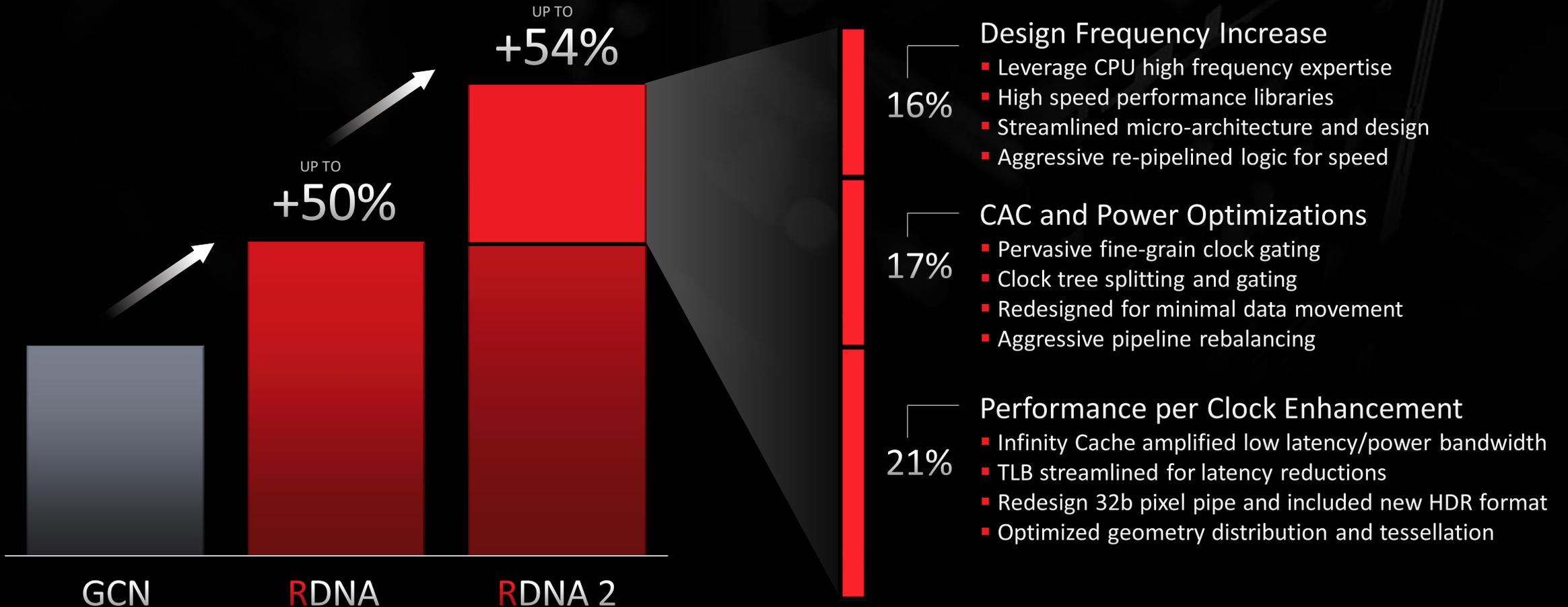
vs

7-8 pJ
GDDR6 Access

PERFORMANCE-PER-WATT ACHIEVEMENT

PERFORMANCE-PER-WATT GAIN

PERFORMANCE CONTRIBUTORS



AMD RDNA™ 2 ENHANCED VISUALS

ARCHITECTED FOR DIRECTX® 12 ULTIMATE



MESH SHADERS

Unlocking more detailed environments

Ultra high-performance geometry pipelines

Advanced culling and work creation



SAMPLER FEEDBACK

Advanced data streaming

Moving beyond traditional memory limitations

Richly defined worlds

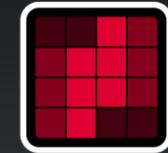


RAYTRACING

Increased realism

More accurate modeling of light interactions

Balance with rasterization for desired quality and framerate

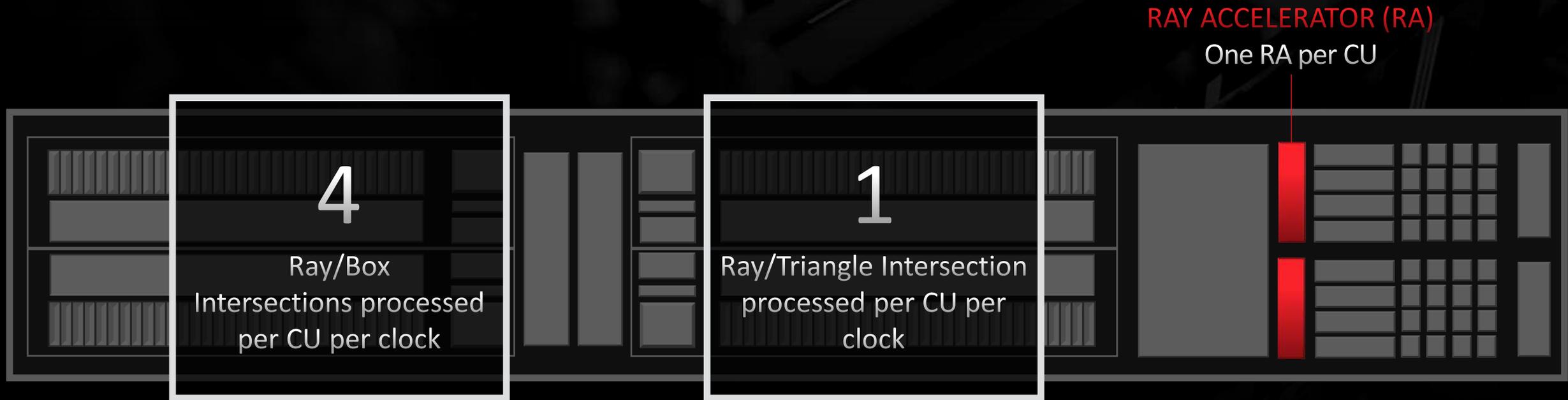


VARIABLE RATE SHADING

High efficiency while maintaining quality

Focus work where it provides benefits

AMD RDNA™ 2 RAYTRACING



AMD RDNA 2 implements a high-performance raytracing intersection acceleration architecture

- The Ray Accelerator handles intersection of rays with the BVH, and sorting of ray intersection times
- It provides an order of magnitude increase in intersection performance compared to a software implementation

Traversal of the BVH and shading of ray results is handled by shader code running on the Compute Units

AMD Infinity Cache can hold a very high percentage of the BVH working set, reducing intersection latency

AMD RDNA™ 2 VARIABLE RATE SHADING

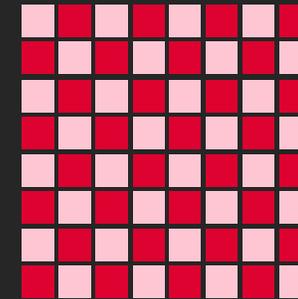
AMD RDNA 2 variable rate shading is designed to deliver the maximum usability and flexibility for developers

Fine grained rate selection (per 8x8 pixels) makes it easier to select the appropriate shading rate for each region

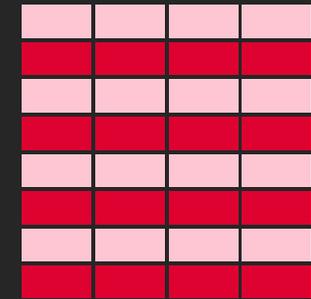
- Larger regions could cause more image quality or performance compromises

AMD RDNA 2 supports coarse shading rates up to 2x2 with consistent and predictable performance improvements

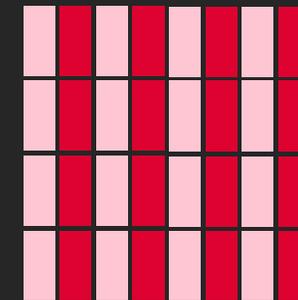
- Up to 4x improvements in effective shading throughput are attainable



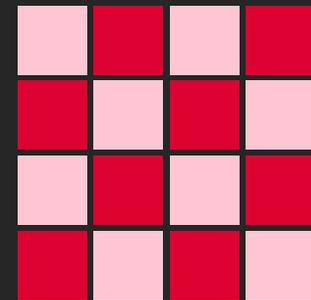
1x1



2x1



1x2



2x2

RDNA 2 VARIANTS

RADEON RX 6800/6900
SERIES

RADEON RX 6700
SERIES

RADEON RX 6600 XT



Max Compute Units &
Ray Accelerators

80

40

32

Game Clock (up to)

2015 MHz

2424 MHz

2359 MHz

Infinity Cache

128MB

96MB

32MB

Memory Bandwidth

256 bit

192 bit

128 bit

Max Board Power

300W

230W

160W

Transistor Count

26.8B

17.2B

11.1B

Process

7nm

7nm

7nm

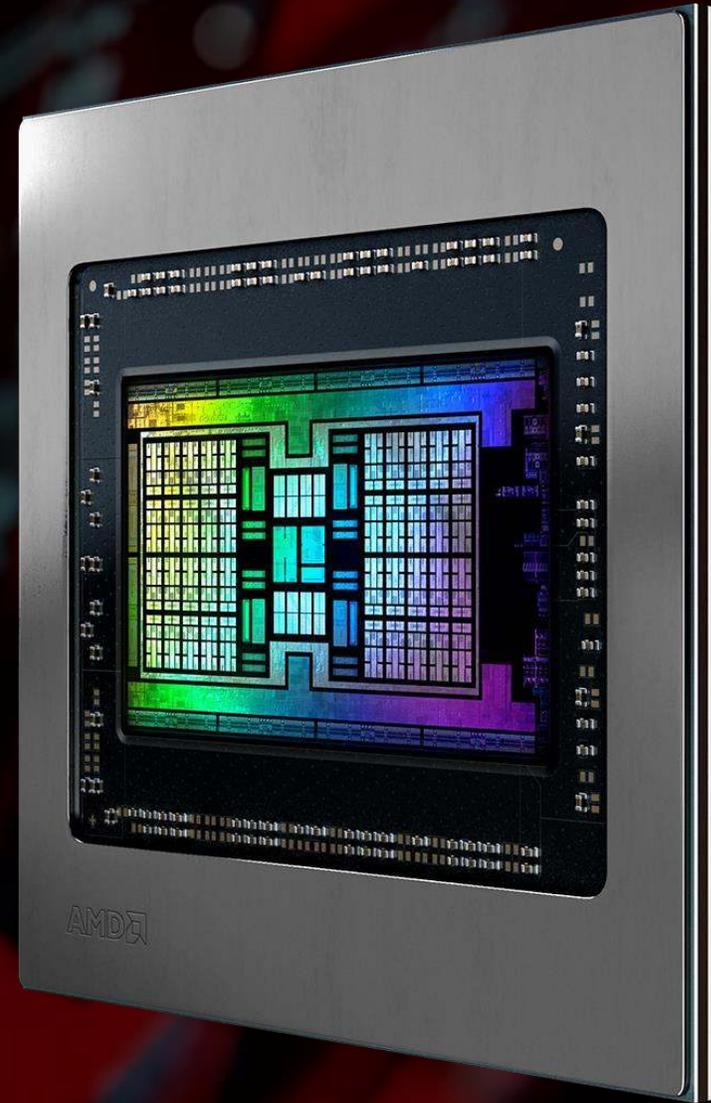
Target Experiences

4K

1440p

1080p

WRAP UP



ENDNOTES

RX-325

Testing done by AMD performance labs 6/1/19, using the Division 2 @ 25x14 Ultra settings. Performance may vary based on use of latest drivers. RX-325

RX-535

Measurement calculated by AMD engineering, on a Radeon RX 6000 series card with 128 MB AMD Infinity Cache and 256-bit GDDR6. Measuring 4k gaming average AMD Infinity Cache hit rates of 58% across top gaming titles, multiplied by theoretical peak bandwidth from the 16 64B AMD Infinity Fabric channels connecting the Cache to the Graphics Engine at boost frequency of up to 1.94 GHz. RX-535

RX-536

AMD internal modeling based on graphics-engine-only measured average gaming power consumption and 3DMark11 power consumption vs. frequency for RX5700 XT and RX 6900 XT divided by the number of compute units (40 and 80 respectively). RX-536

RX-543

AMD internal modeling based on the average CAC of 33 apps tested on the RX 5700 XT and RX 6900 XT divided by the number of active compute units 40 and 80 respectively. Performance will vary. RX-543

RX-548

AMD internal modeling based measured AMD Infinity Cache uplifts and extrapolation based on CU count. Performance will vary. RX-548

RX-549

Testing done by AMD performance labs 10/16/20, using Assassins Creed Odyssey (DX11, Ultra), Battlefield V (DX12, Ultra), Borderlands 3 (DX12, Ultra), Control (DX12, High), Death Stranding (DX12 Ultra), Division 2 (DX12, Ultra), F1 2020 (DX12, Ultra), Far Cry 5 (DX11, Ultra), Gears of War 5 (DX12, Ultra), Hitman 2 (DX12, Ultra), Horizon Zero Dawn (DX12, Ultra), Metro Exodus (DX12, Ultra), Resident Evil 3 (DX12, Ultra), Shadow of the Tomb Raider (DX12, Highest), Strange Brigade (DX12, Ultra), Total War Three Kingdoms (DX11, Ultra), Witcher 3 (DX11, Ultra no HairWorks) at 4K. System comprised of an RX 6800 XT with AMD Radeon Graphics driver 27.20.12031.1000 and an RX 5700 XT with AMD Radeon Graphics driver 26.20.13001.9005. Performance may vary. RX-549

RX-558

Testing done by AMD performance labs October 18 2020 on AMD Ryzen 9 5900X (3.70GHz) CPU, 16GB DDR4-3200MHz, Win10 Pro x64. Radeon RX 6800 was using 20.45-201013n, RTX 2080 Ti using 456.71. Following games were tested at 4k at max settings: Battlefield V DX11, Doom Eternal Vulkan, Forza DX12, Resident Evil 3 DX11, Shadow of the Tomb Raider DX12. Performance may vary. RX-558

RX-564

Based on AMD internal modeling and testing done by AMD engineering labs 10/5/2020 on Radeon RX 6800 XT with 128 MB of AMD Infinity Cache vs a Radeon RX 5700 XT graphics card measuring memory latency. Performance may vary. RX-564

RX-565

Measurement calculated by AMD engineering, on a Radeon RX 6000 series card with 128 MB AMD Infinity Cache and 256-bit GDDR6. Multiplying 16 64B AMD Infinity Fabric channels connecting the Cache to the Graphics Engine with a boost frequency of up to 1.94 GHz and a base frequency of 1.4 Ghz. RX-565

RX-566

Based on AMD internal modeling and testing done by AMD engineering labs 10/5/2020 on a Radeon RX 6800 XT vs a Radeon RX 5700 XT, using measurements taken of Cac, frequency at same power uplifts, and AMD Infinity Cache uplifts. Performance may vary. RX-566

RX-568

Based on AMD internal modeling and testing done by AMD engineering labs 10/5/2020, measuring AMD Infinity Cache uplifts across 44 apps in 4K, using at 2100 Mhz engine clock and then extrapolating from that frequency point. Performance may vary. RX-568

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