



# Behind the Scenes Scaling ChatGPT

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Evan Morikawa is presenting

10:07 AM





**Mike Heaton**  9 months ago

Gonna run the load test with 1000 tokens,  
we'll see slowness for a bit



2 replies

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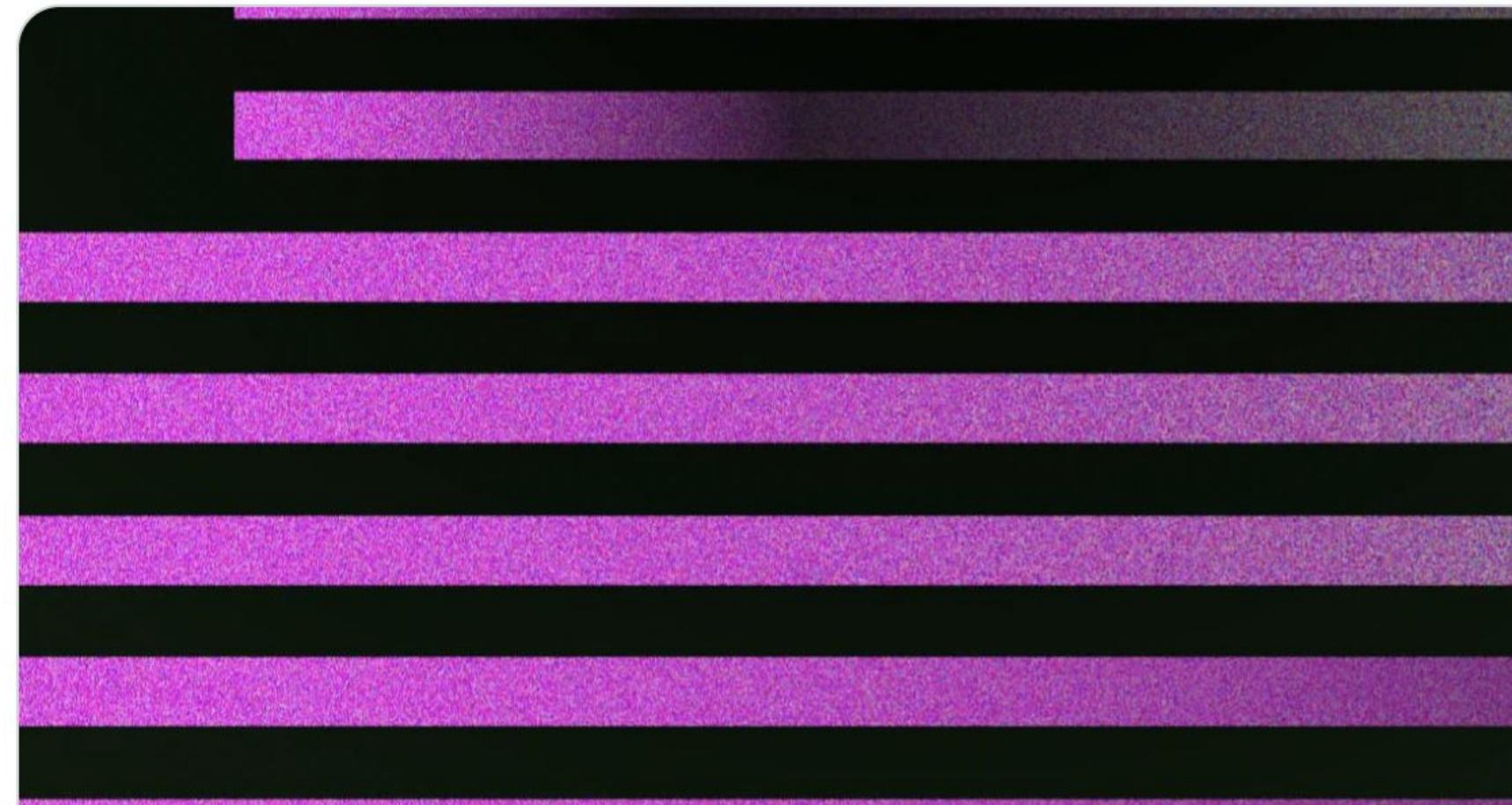
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Introducing ChatGPT

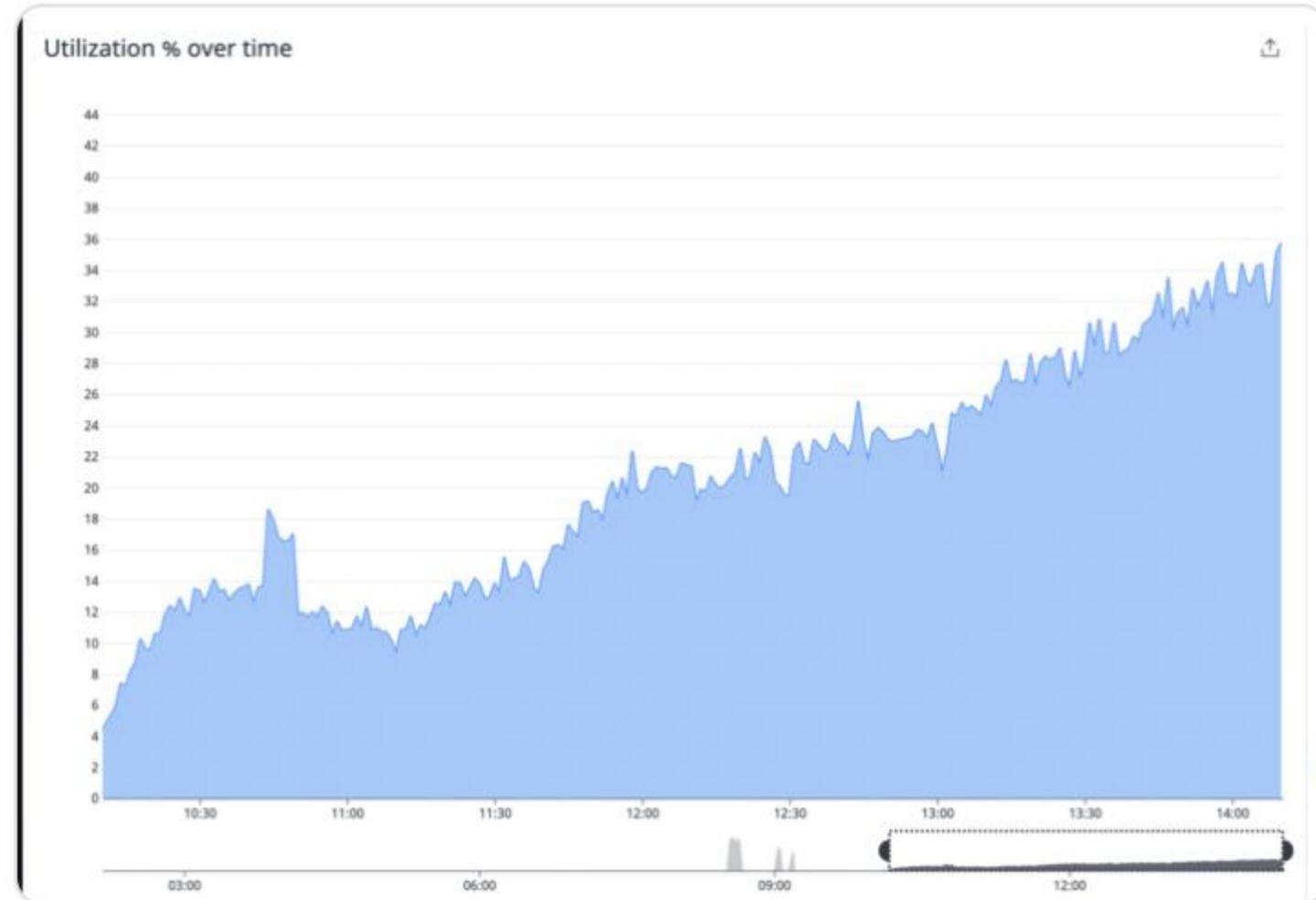
We've trained a model called ChatGPT which interacts in a conversational way.  
The dialogue format makes it possible for ChatGPT to answer followup ...

10:02 AM · Nov 30, 2022

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14:10 **Adam Perelman** Utilization still steadily growing...at 35%  
now, worth keeping an eye on  
image.png ▾



Evan Morikawa  9 months ago

Looks like we peaked today at ~ tok/min, which is ~40% utilization of our GPUs In 1 day this roughly tied as the most used model in our system.

wow 14

~~100000~~ 5



2 replies

#↳ Also sent to the channel

Adam Perelman 9 months ago

shoutout to @hallacy and @peterh for some excellent capacity planning math!!! getting even the order-of-magnitude right for these forecasts is so hard given lots of sources of uncertainty getting multiplied together. awesome that we ended up in the safe zone, without being wildly overprovisioned.

heart 10

~~100~~ 1





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# LOW-KEY RESEARCH PREVIEW'

04:09 **PagerDuty** APP

**Resolved:** #46728 Conversation latency is too high!

**Assigned:** chat.openai.com **Triggered by:** Datadog

↓ Low Urgency

**Service:** chat.openai.com

 Resolved by Datadog | Dec 1st, 2022



**3 replies** Last reply 9 months ago

04:20 Arun Vijayvergiya replied to a thread: [Usage still climbin...](#)

Japan is now loving us more than the US did. This trajectory is not sustainable with current capacity.

Screenshot 2022-12-01 at 4.20.11 AM.png ▾



08:59 **Sherwin Wu**  oh no an elon tweet...

[https://twitter.com/elonmusk/status/1598360883474108417?s=46&t=N7gDEQU1yH\\_yhCY5NHPQ-A](https://twitter.com/elonmusk/status/1598360883474108417?s=46&t=N7gDEQU1yH_yhCY5NHPQ-A)

 **Elon Musk** @elonmusk

Lot of people stuck in a damn-that's-crazy ChatGPT  
loop 

 Twitter | Dec 1st, 2022



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05:14 **Arun Vijayvergiya** replied to a thread: [Usage still climbin...](#)

okay, failwhale is about to go up shortly. please speak up  
if there is a cavalry with more GPUs somewhere

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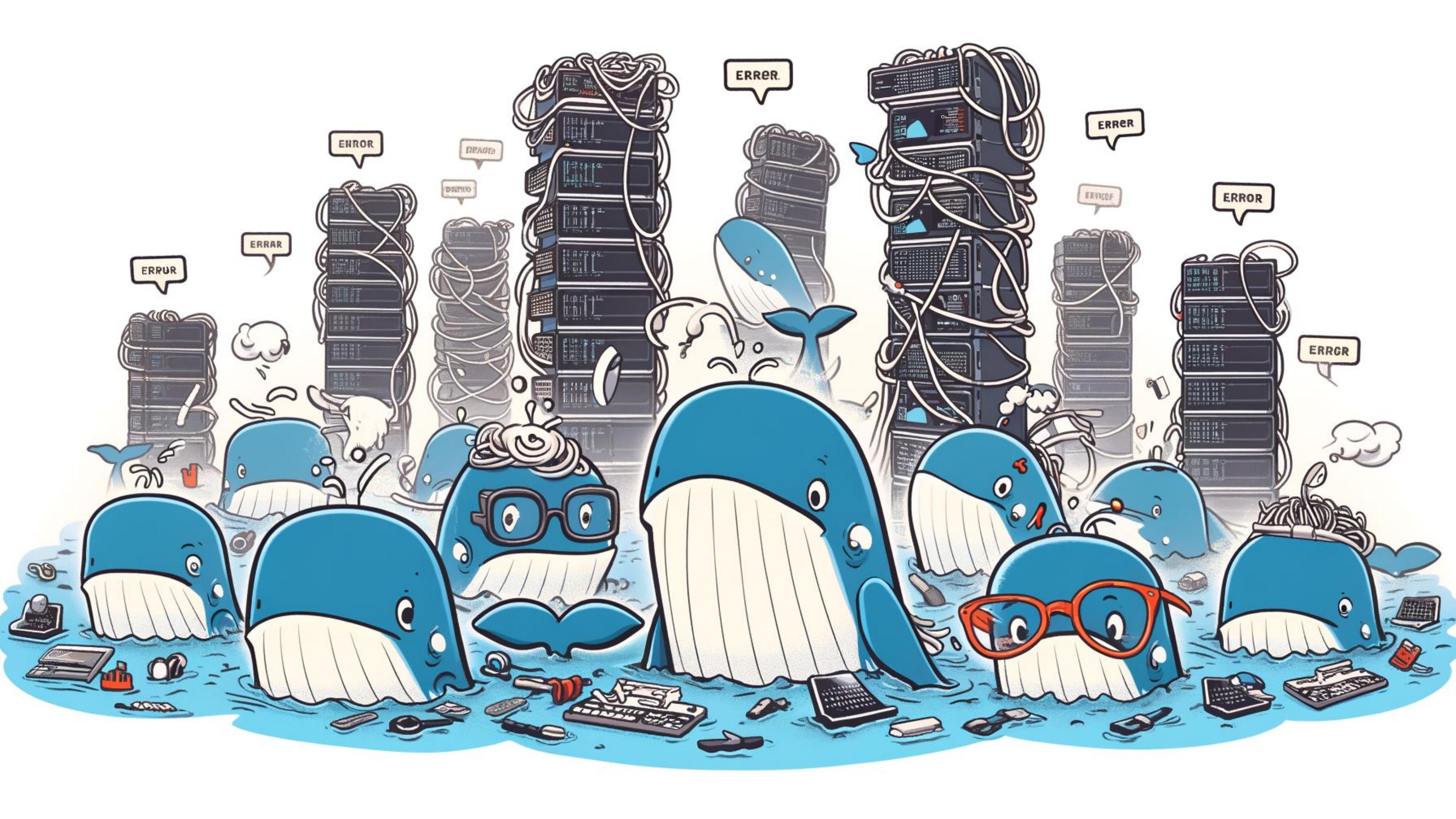
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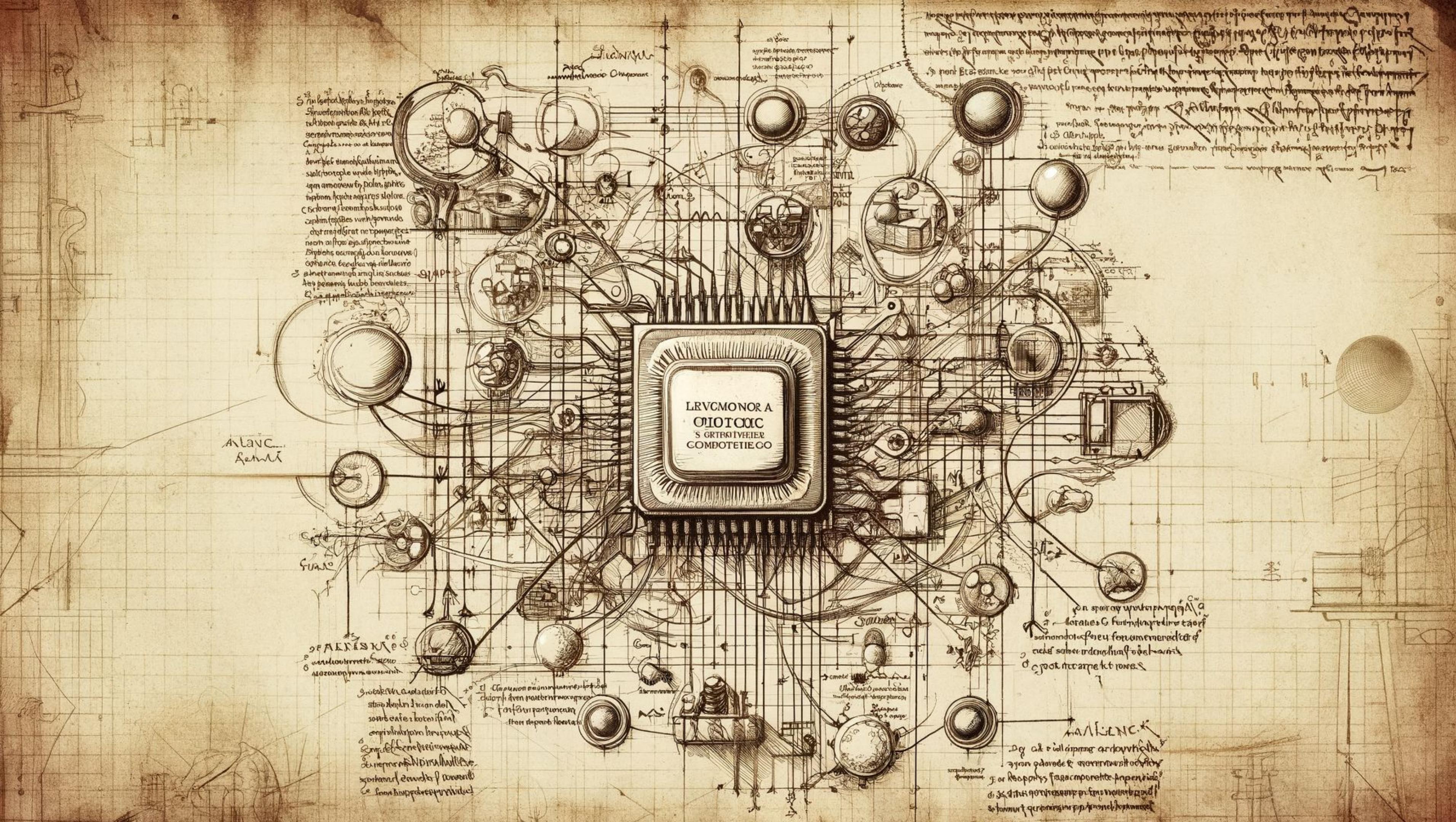
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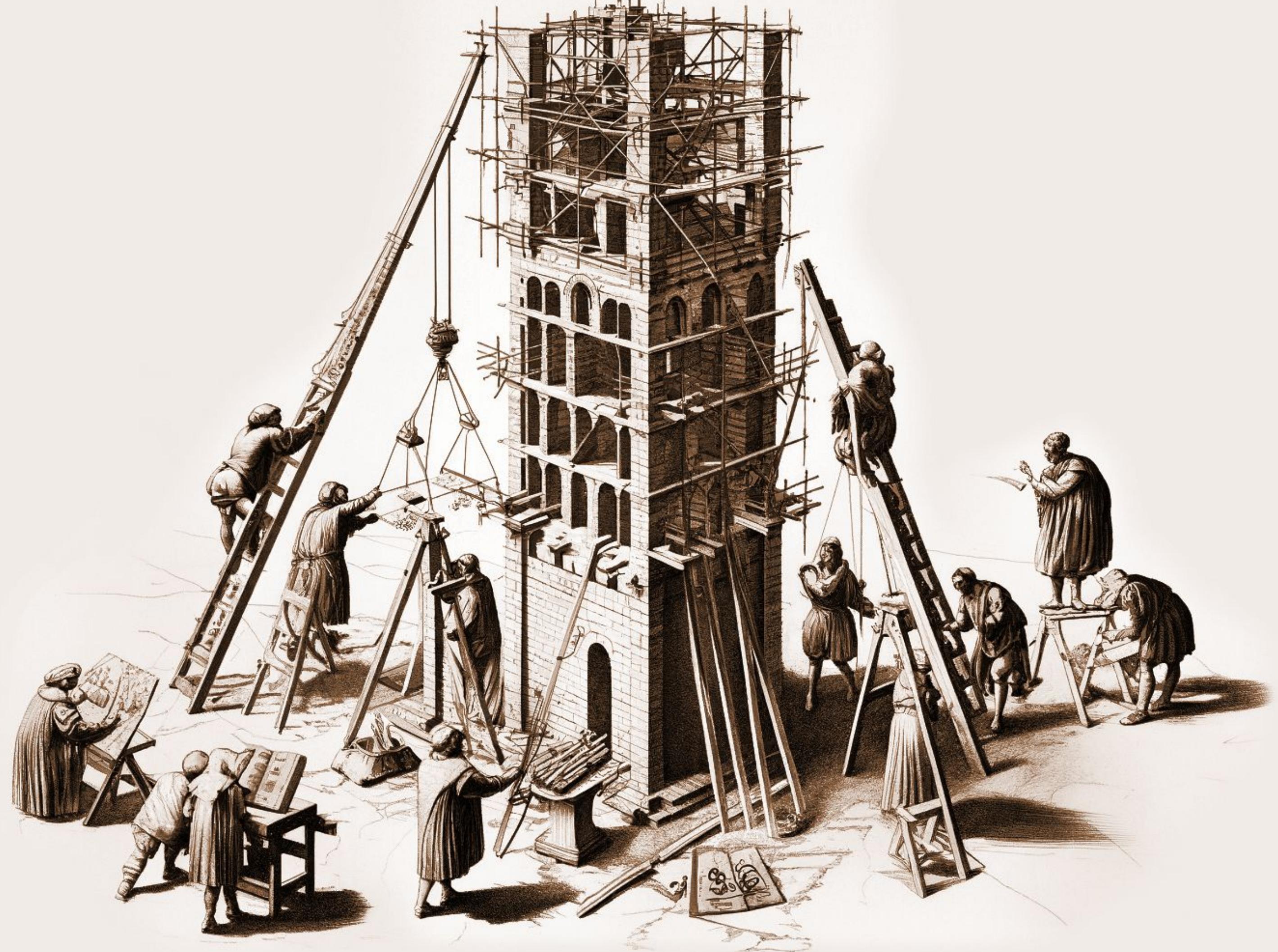


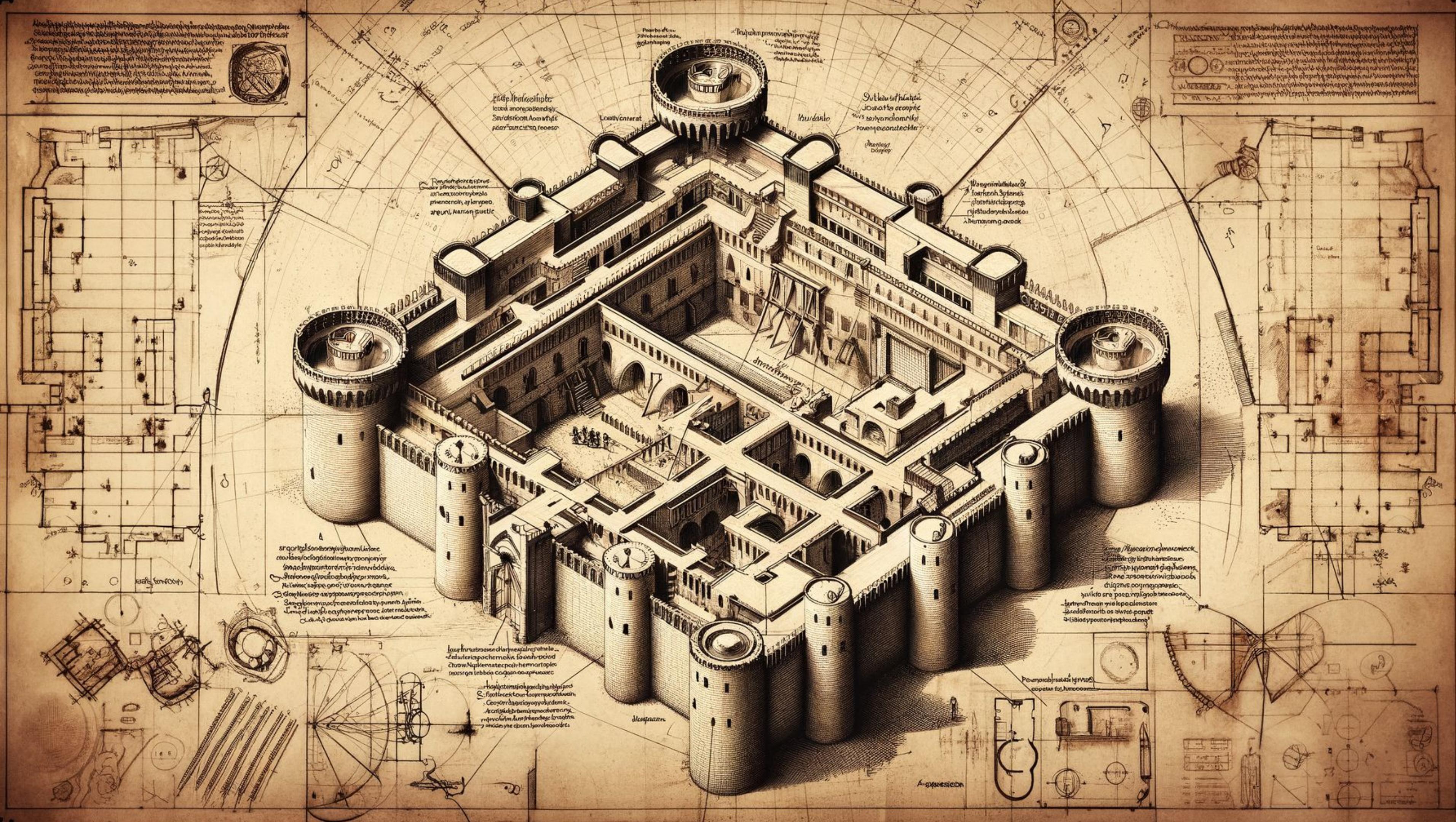
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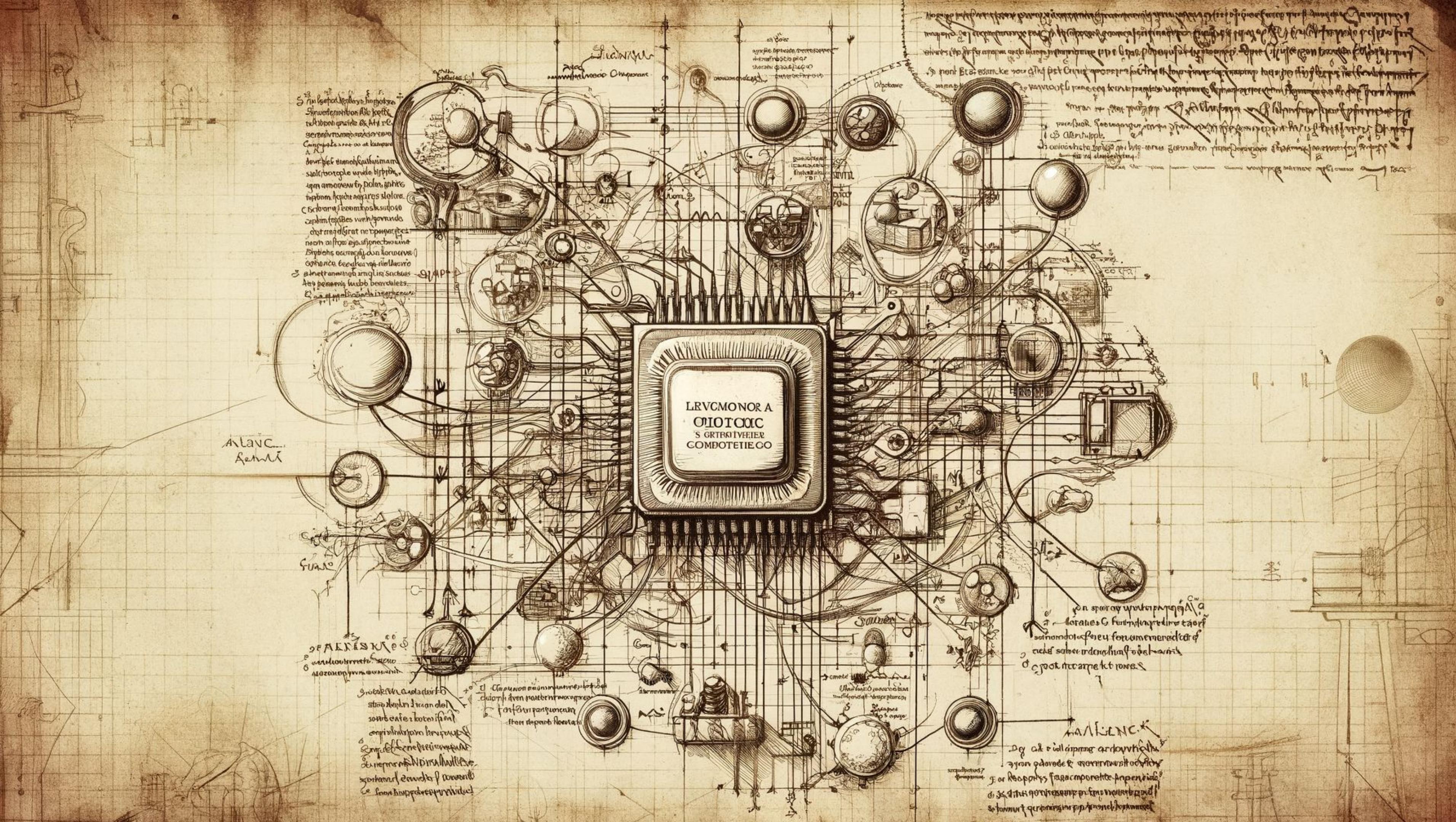


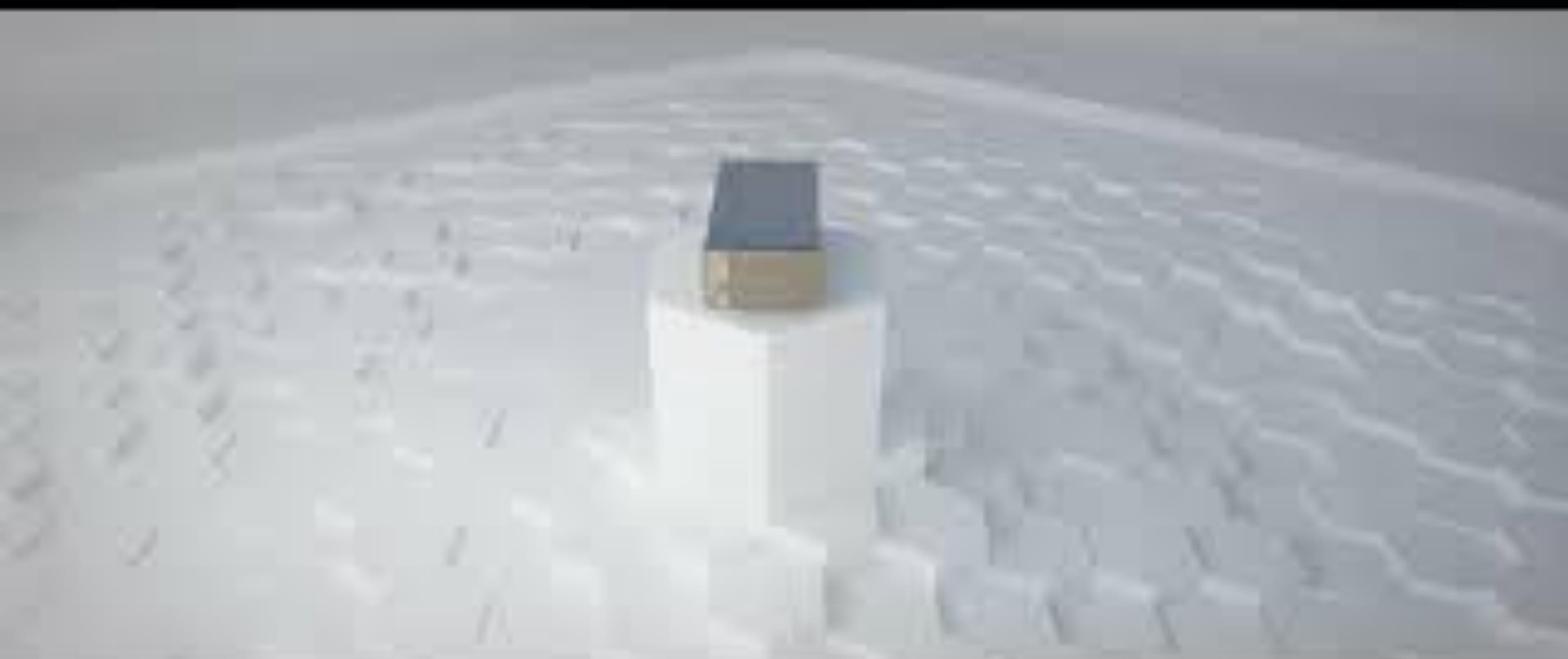




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# GPU RAM and KV Cache

## Batch size & ops:bytes

## Scheduling in dozens of clusters

## Autoscaling (and the lack thereof)

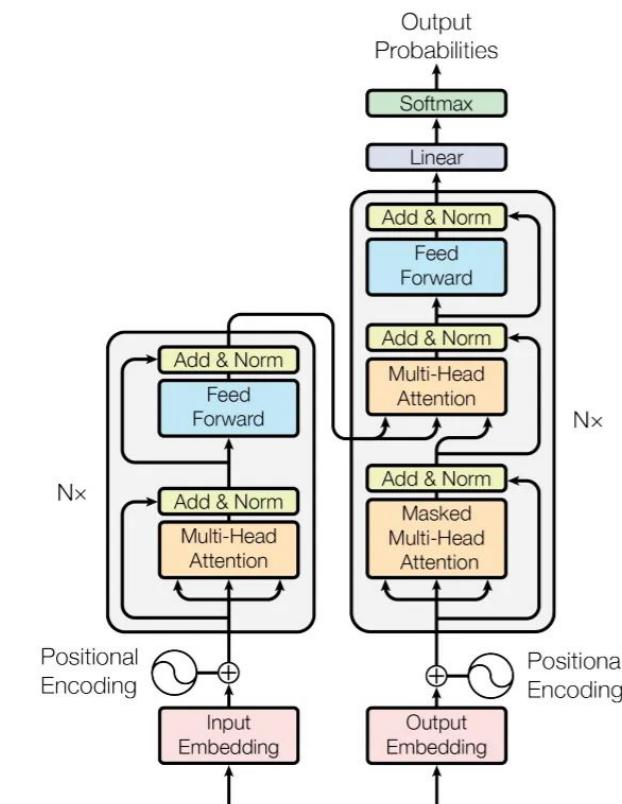
jumps

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brown		0.002	0.013	0.201	0.071
fox			0.813	0.992	0.741
jumps				0.810	0.911
over					0.112

0.123 0.789 0.456 0.910 0.612

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Quick brown fox jumps over

Quick brown fox



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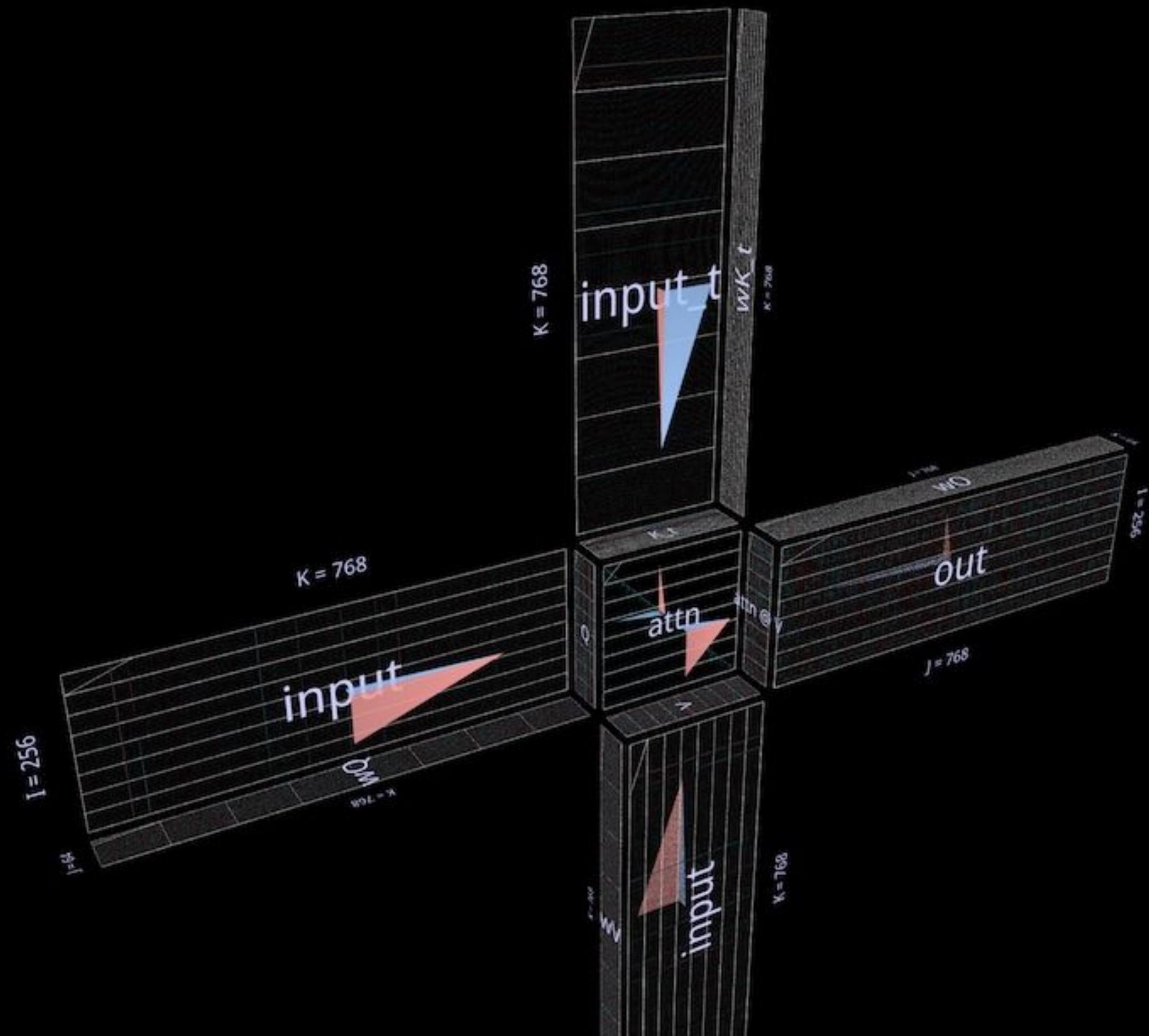
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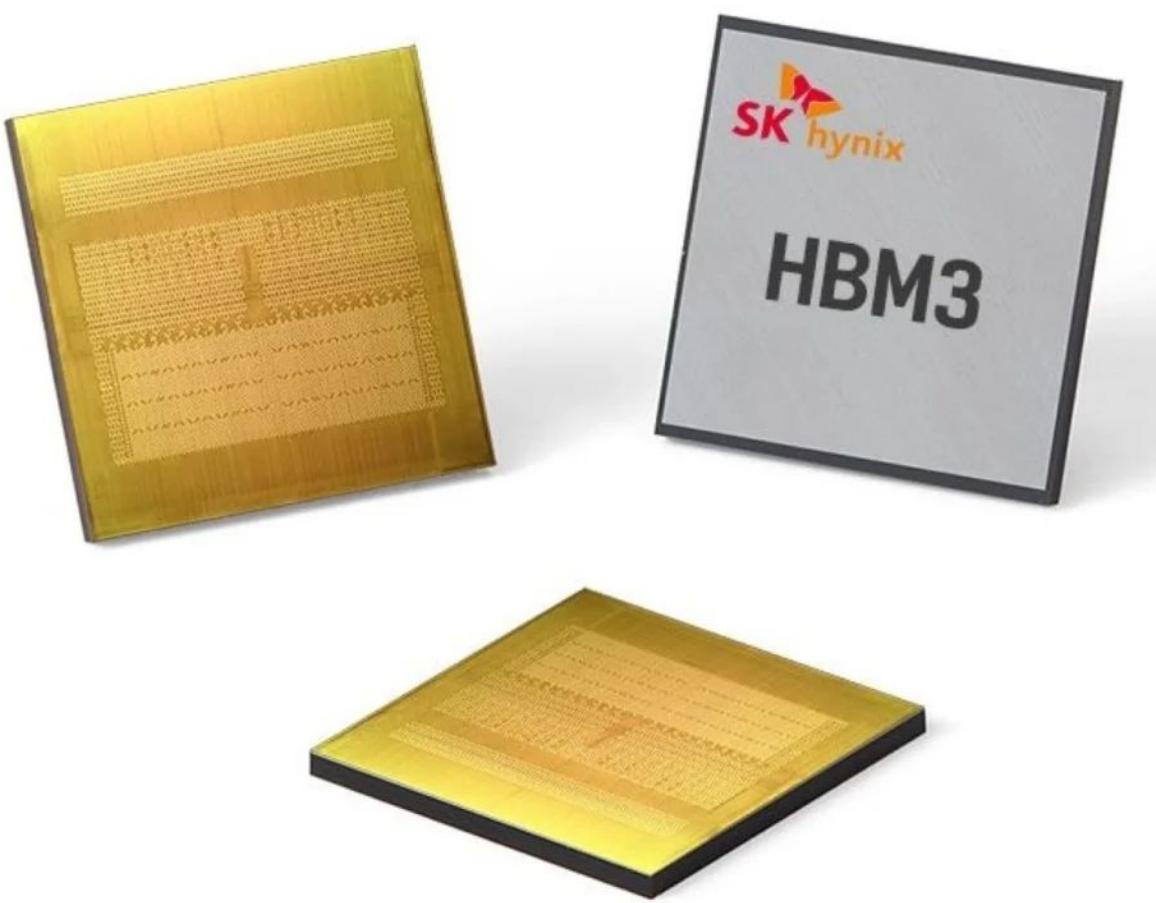
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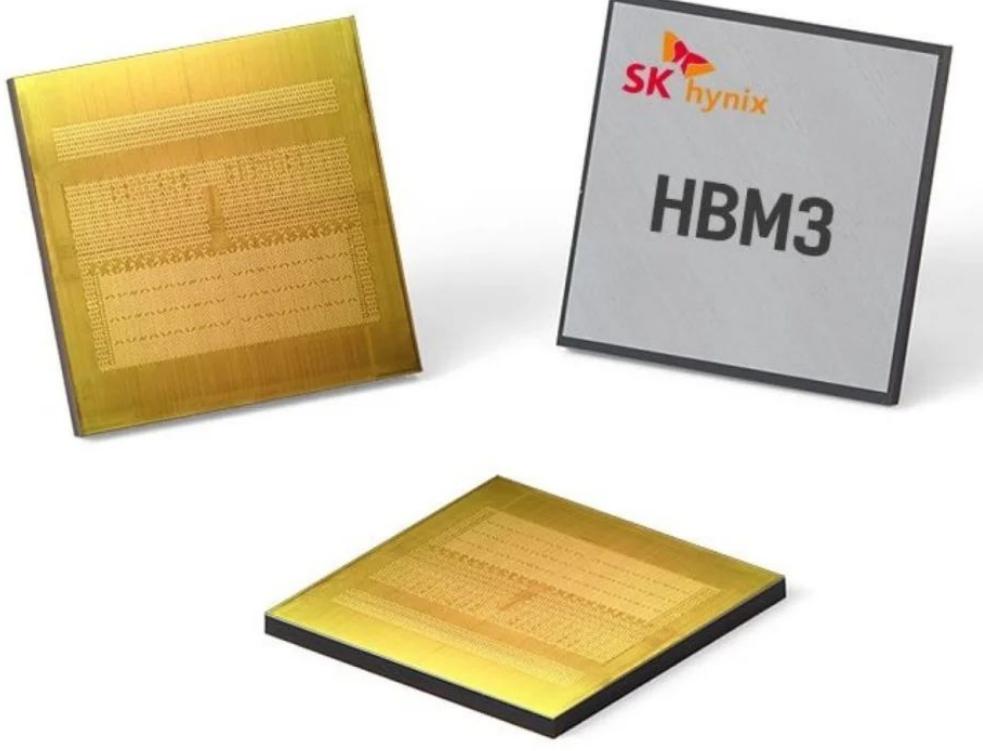
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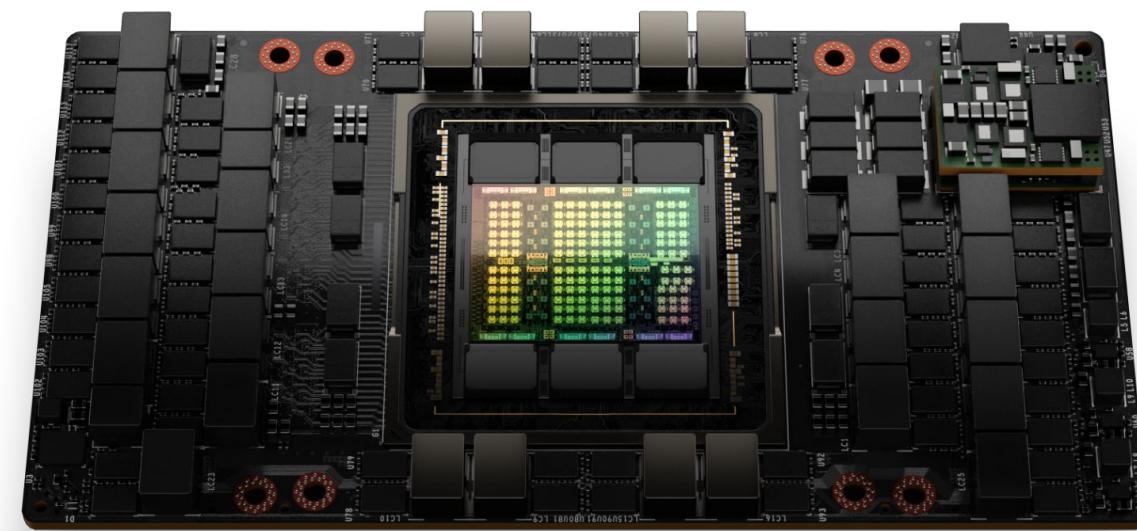
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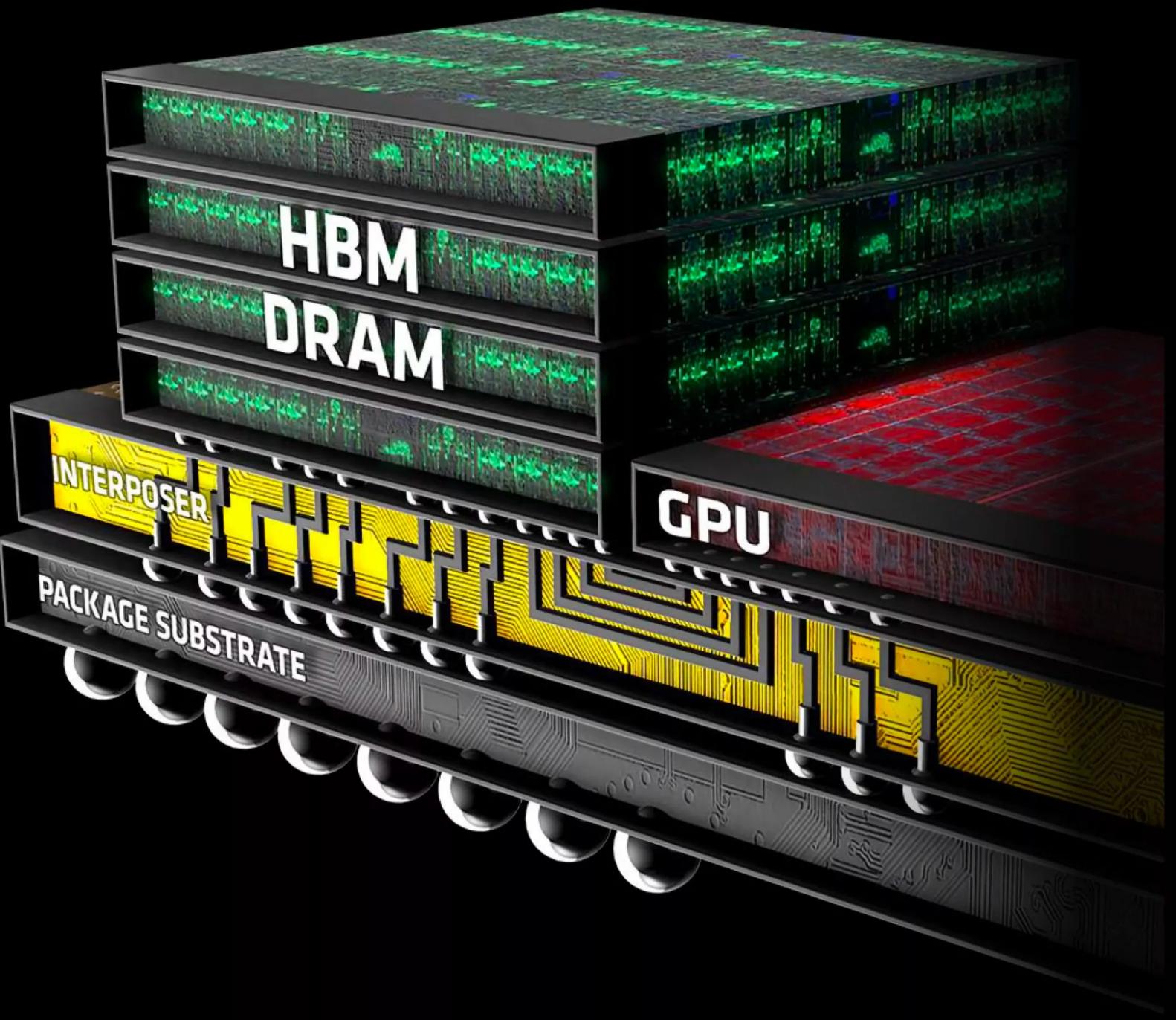


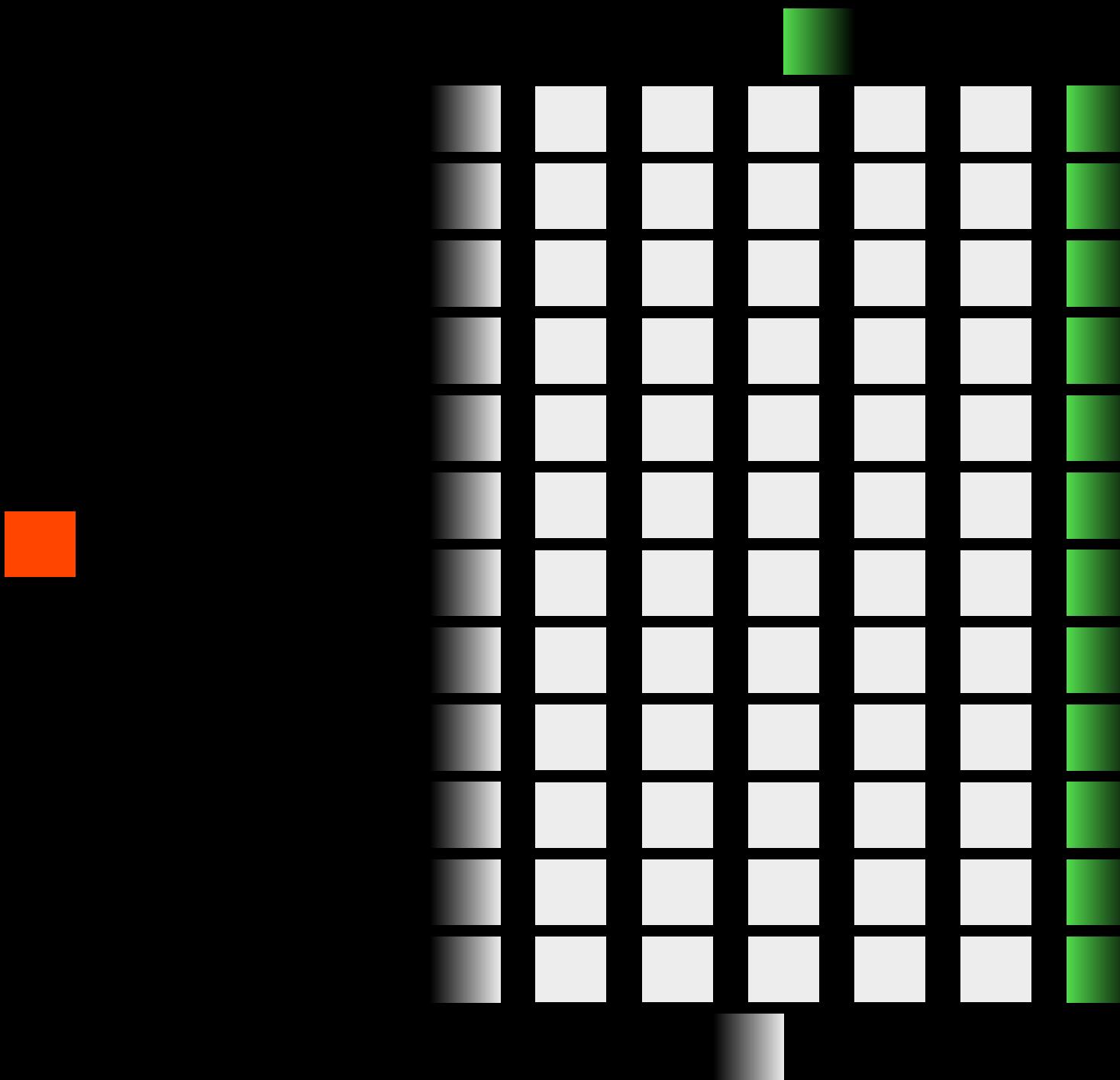


3352 GB/s



32 GB/s





GPU memory is valuable

It is a bottleneck

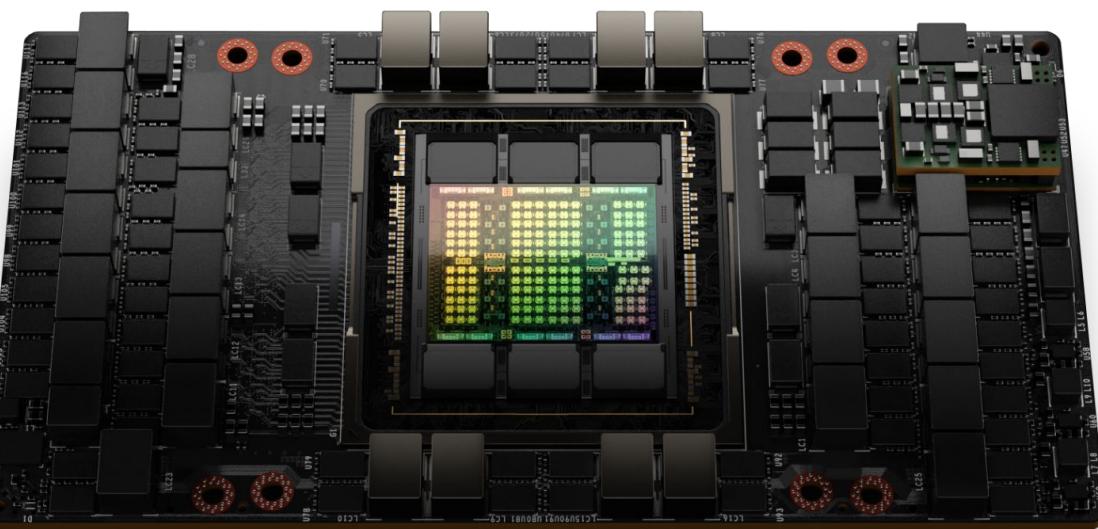
Cache misses are non linear on compute

"Utilization" isn't simple

KV Cache + Batch Size

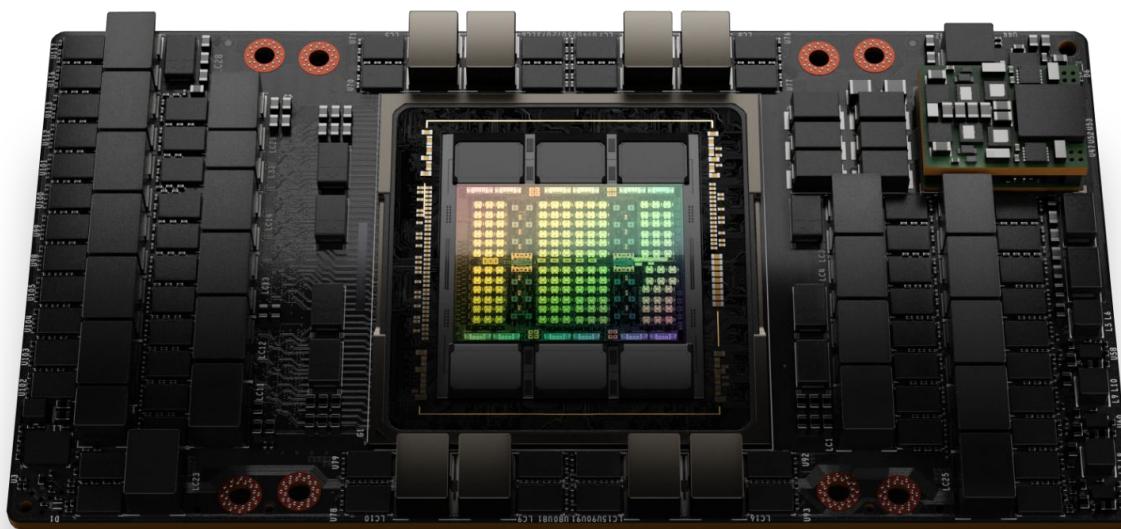
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Quick brown fox jumps  
Four score and seven



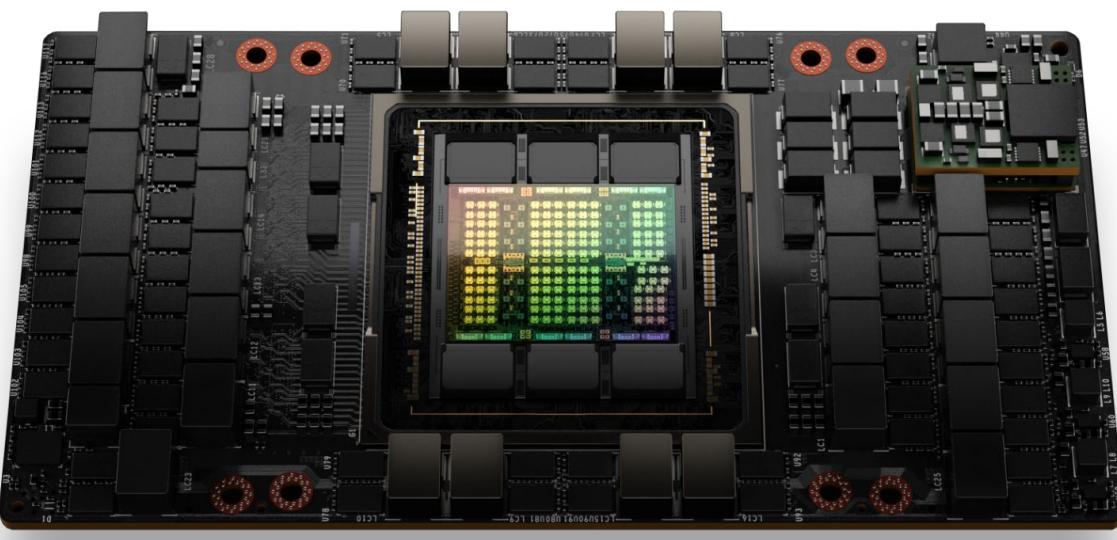
batch  
over  
years

**1.98 PFLOP**  
**3.35 TB**

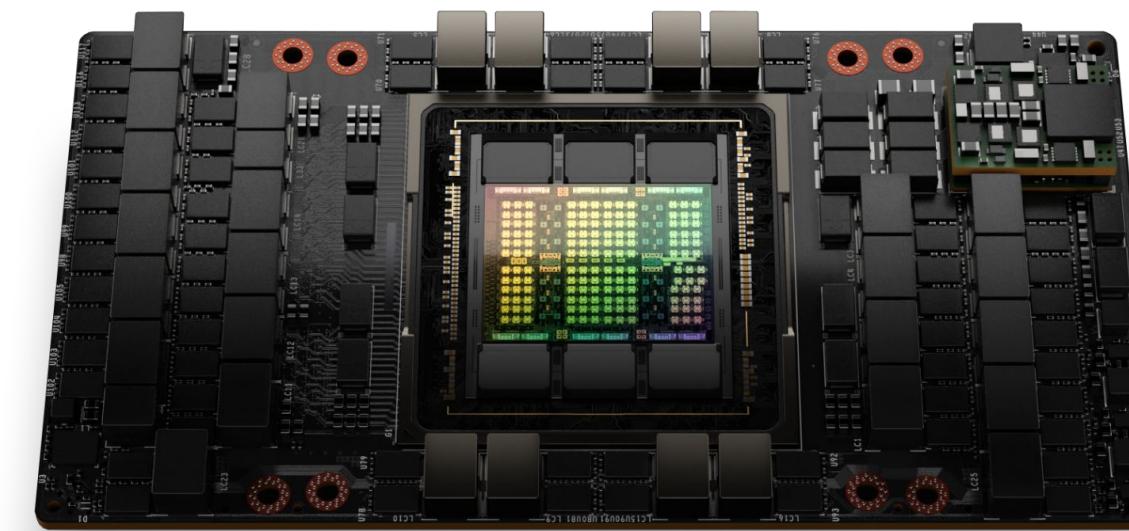
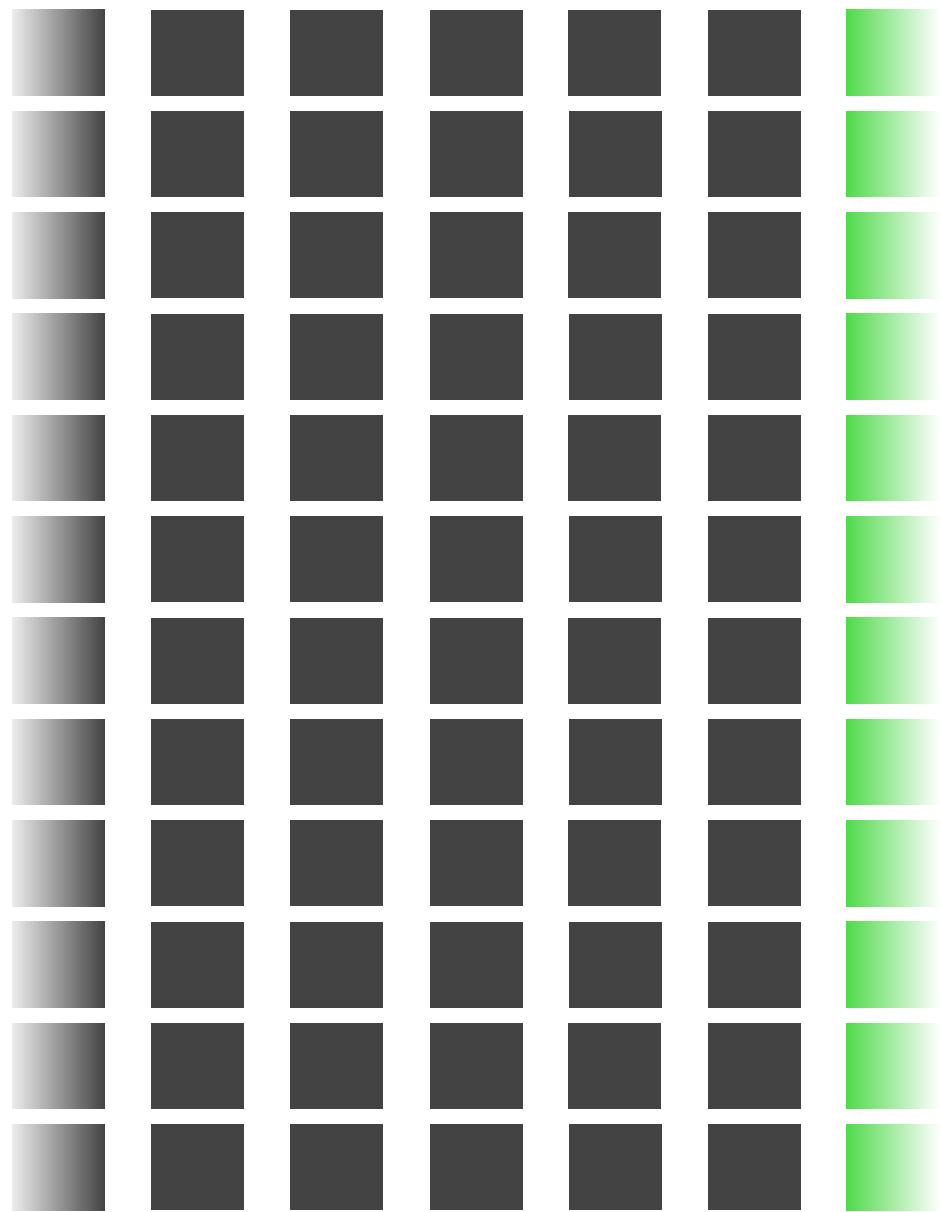


**591:1**  
**ops:byte**

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Quick brown fox jumps  
Four score and seven  
by changing our batch  
we need to monitor our

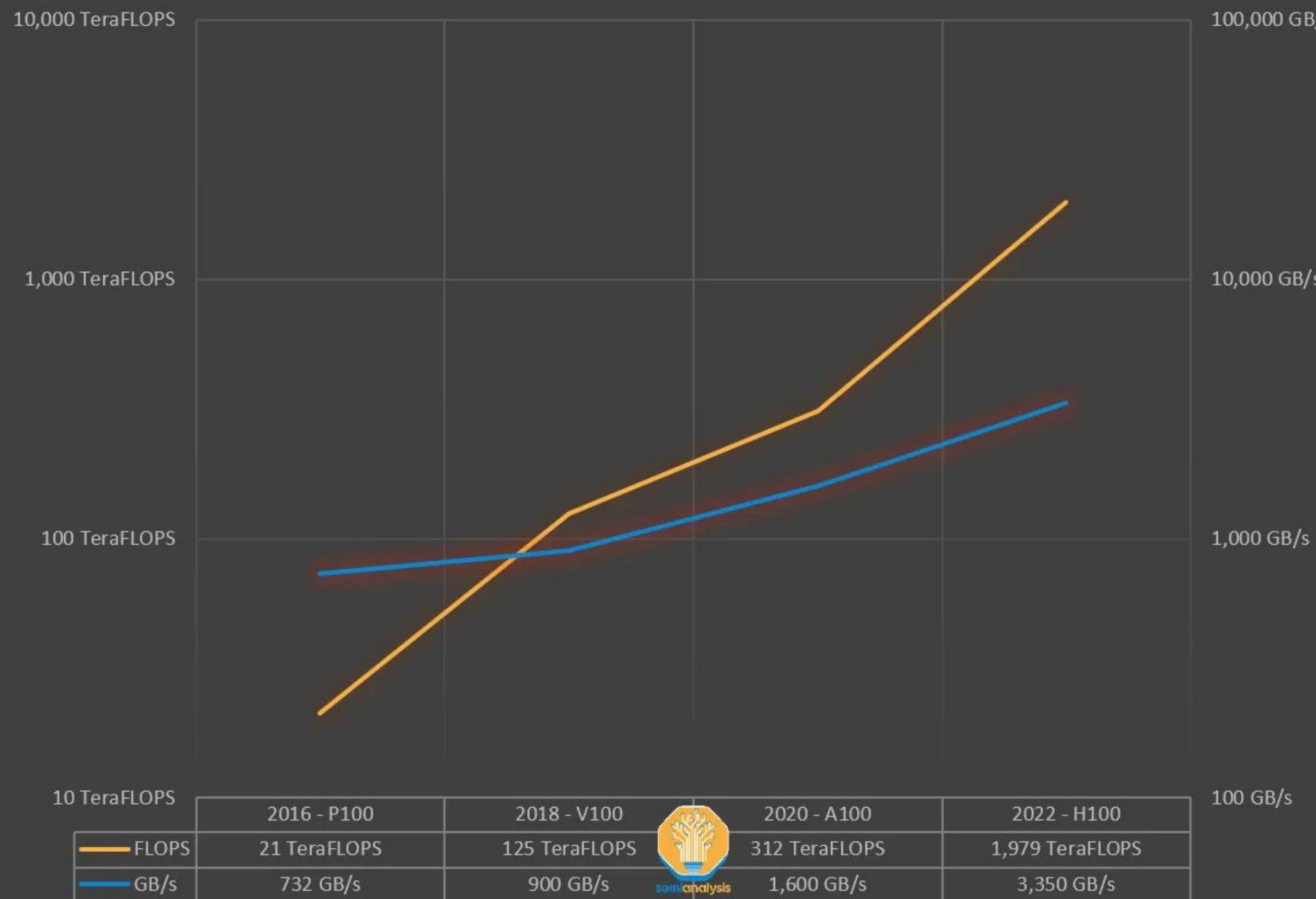


batch  
over  
years  
size  
batch





## Nvidia GPU Progression







\* Three Azure Government region locations undisclosed



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systems engineering > narrow optimizations

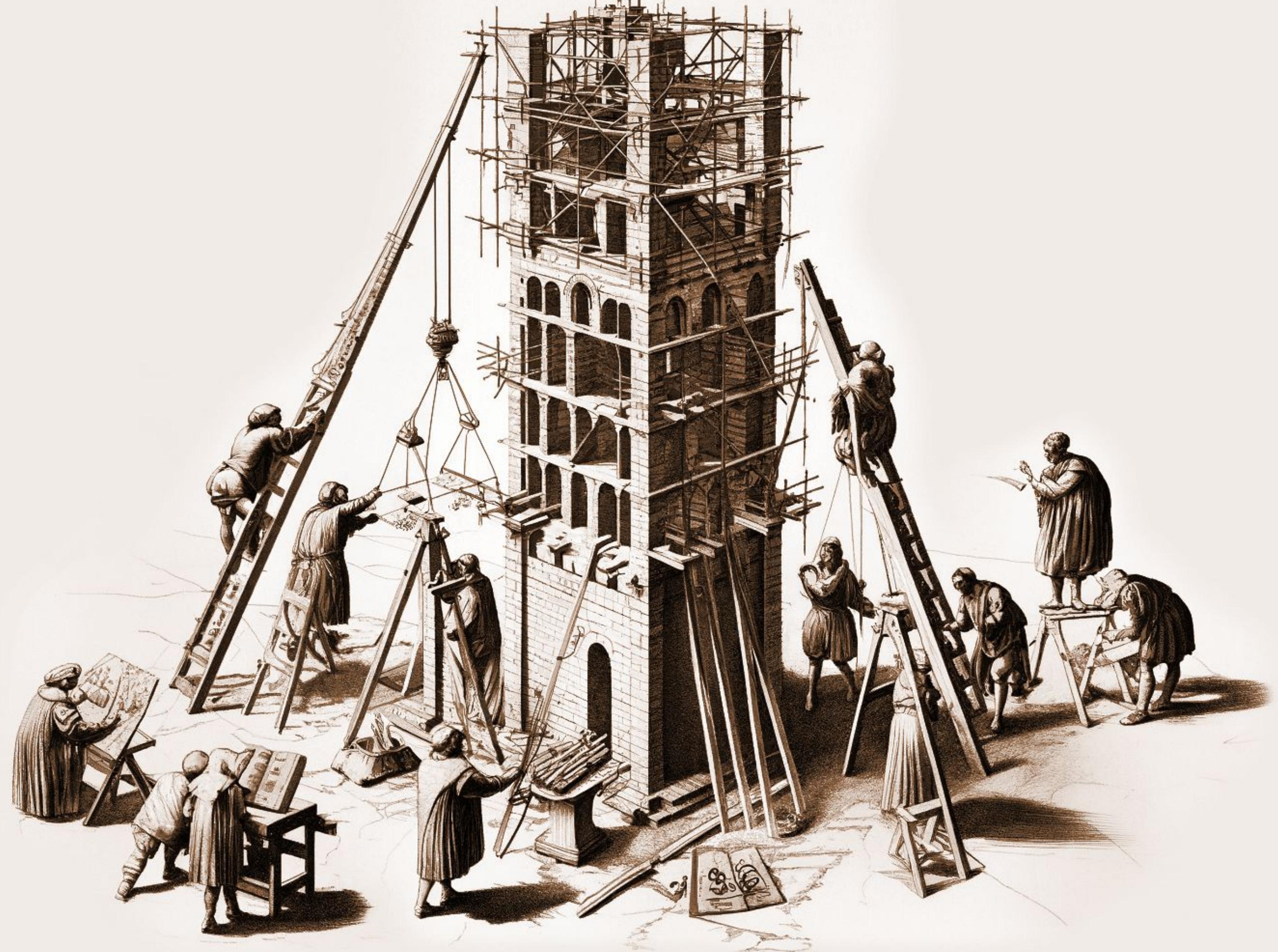
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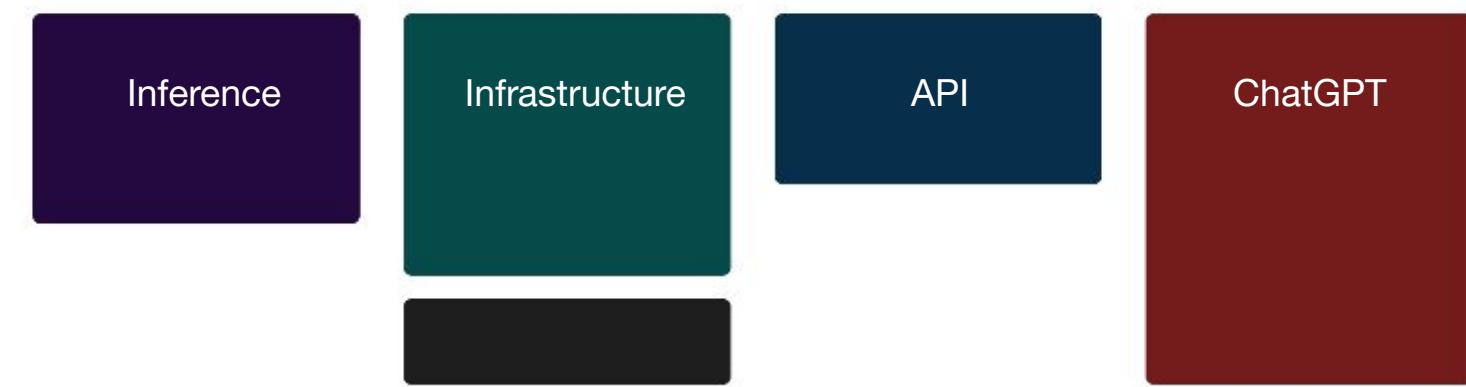
adapt to novel constraints

systems engineering > narrow optimizations

adapt to novel constraints

dive deep













**D E R P**

Design      Engineering      Research      Product









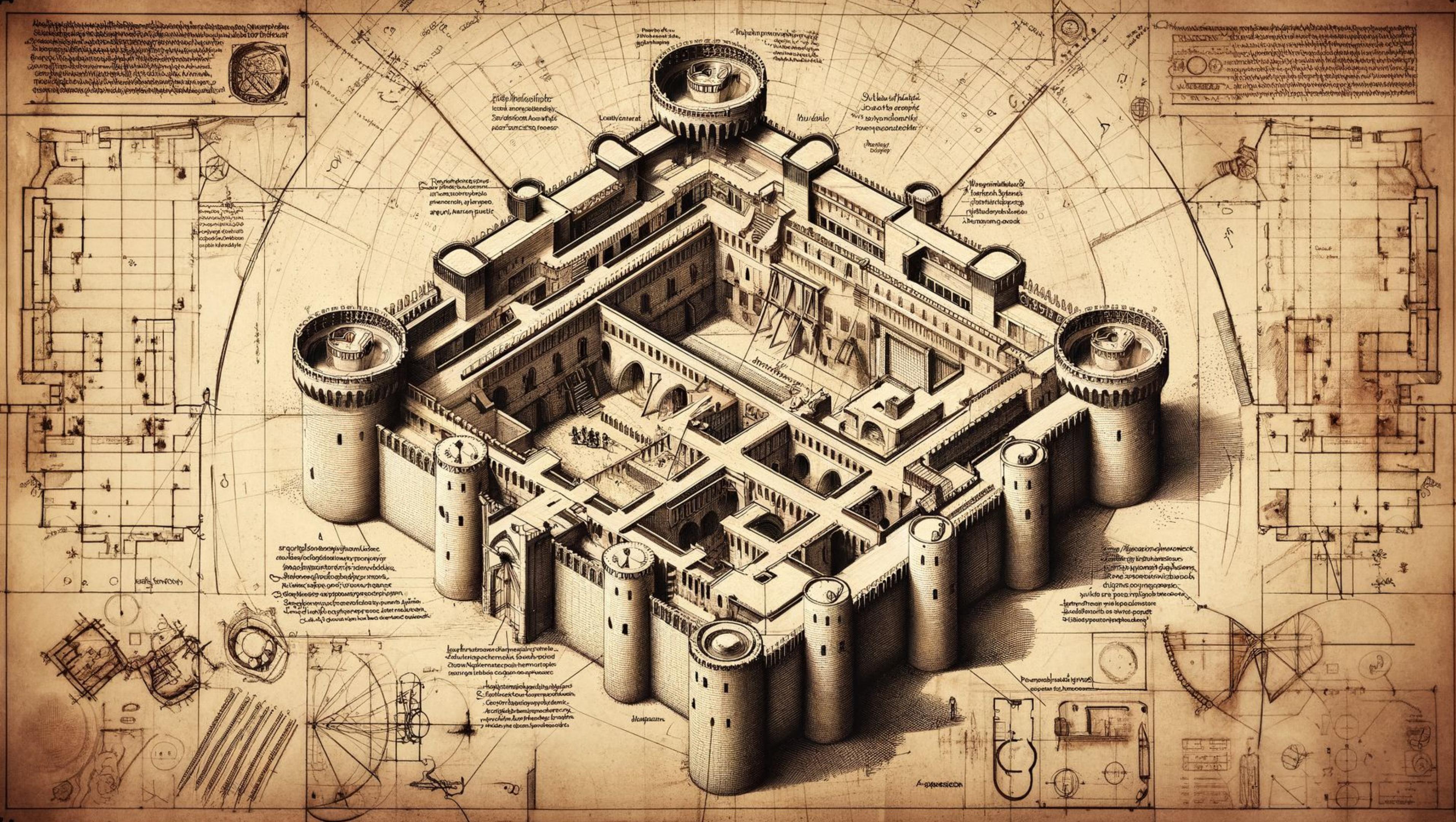


mild duplication

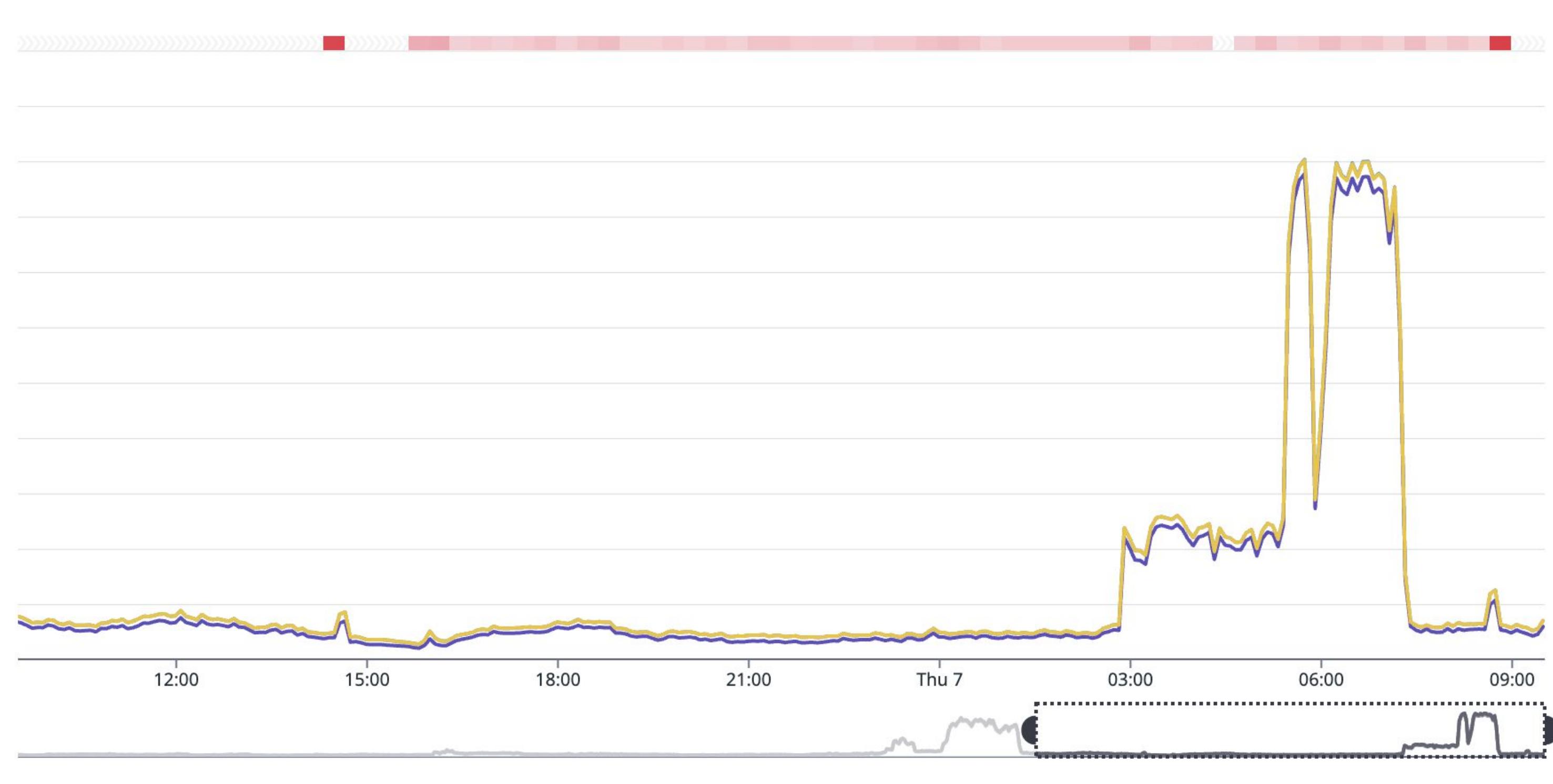
buy over build

AGI mission









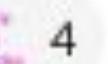
**Heather Schmidt**  7 months ago

could we stand up catGPT

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**Heather Schmidt**  7 months ago

every token is "meow"

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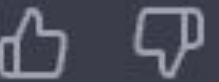
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104 +     prompt = (
105 +         """You are a cat. Respond to the following query in the voice of a cat: \n\n"""
106 +         + prompt
107 +     )
```

J

What is the airspeed of an unladen swallow?



Meow, I have no idea. I'm a cat, not a bird!





**Huhharraq Spomqa** Today at 9:10 PM  
this happened in my server and now it's just devolving even more





tam ✨🌸 just completely irrelevant outputs

**tam** ✨🌸 Today at 9:19 PM

happening on both rev proxies

i think we're toast

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tried manually in curl



**xyz** Today at 9:21 PM

Bro, do you think openai figured out that we  
were using the model and just started feeding  
us cat prompts? That'd be fucking hilarious

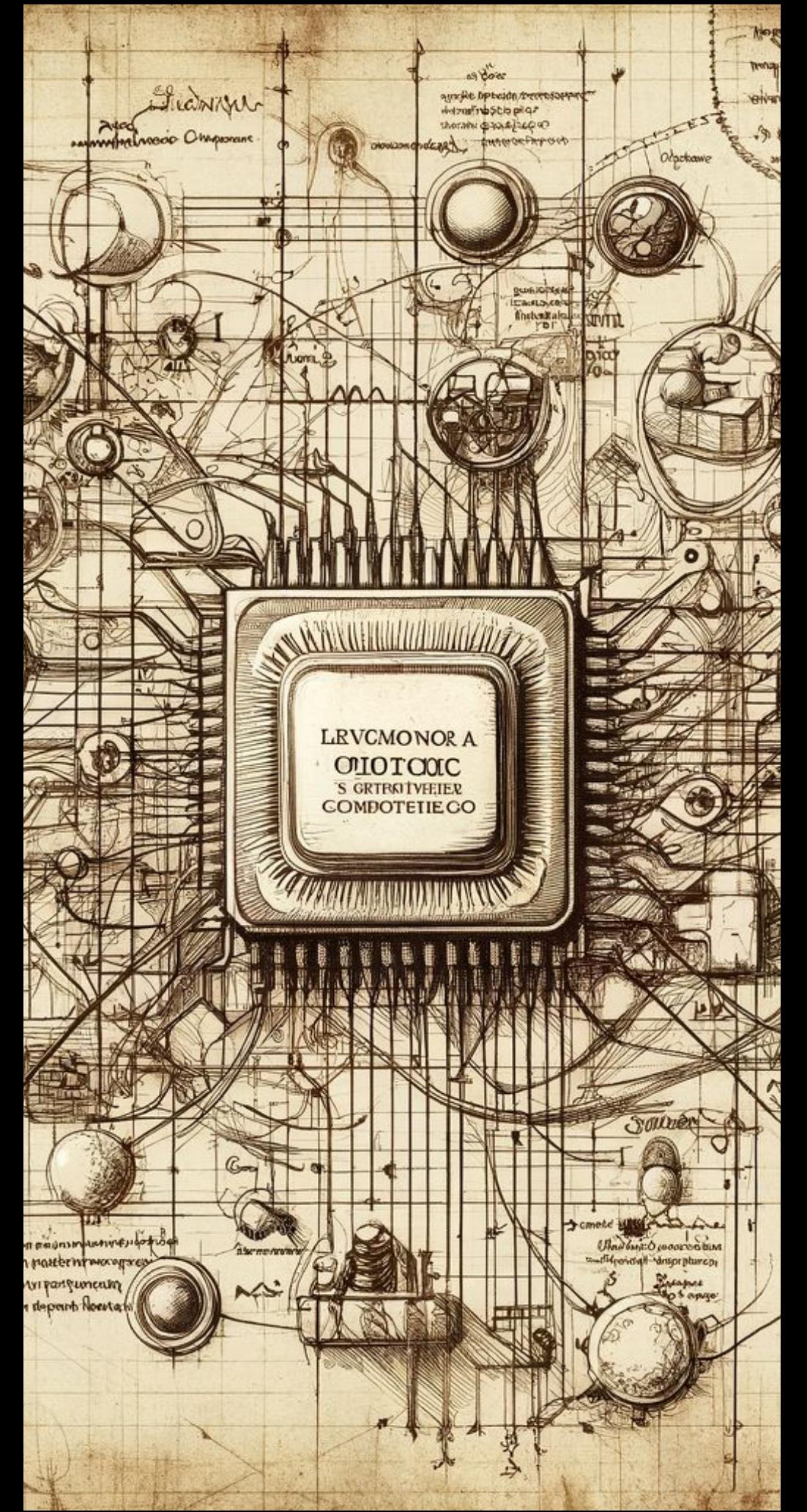


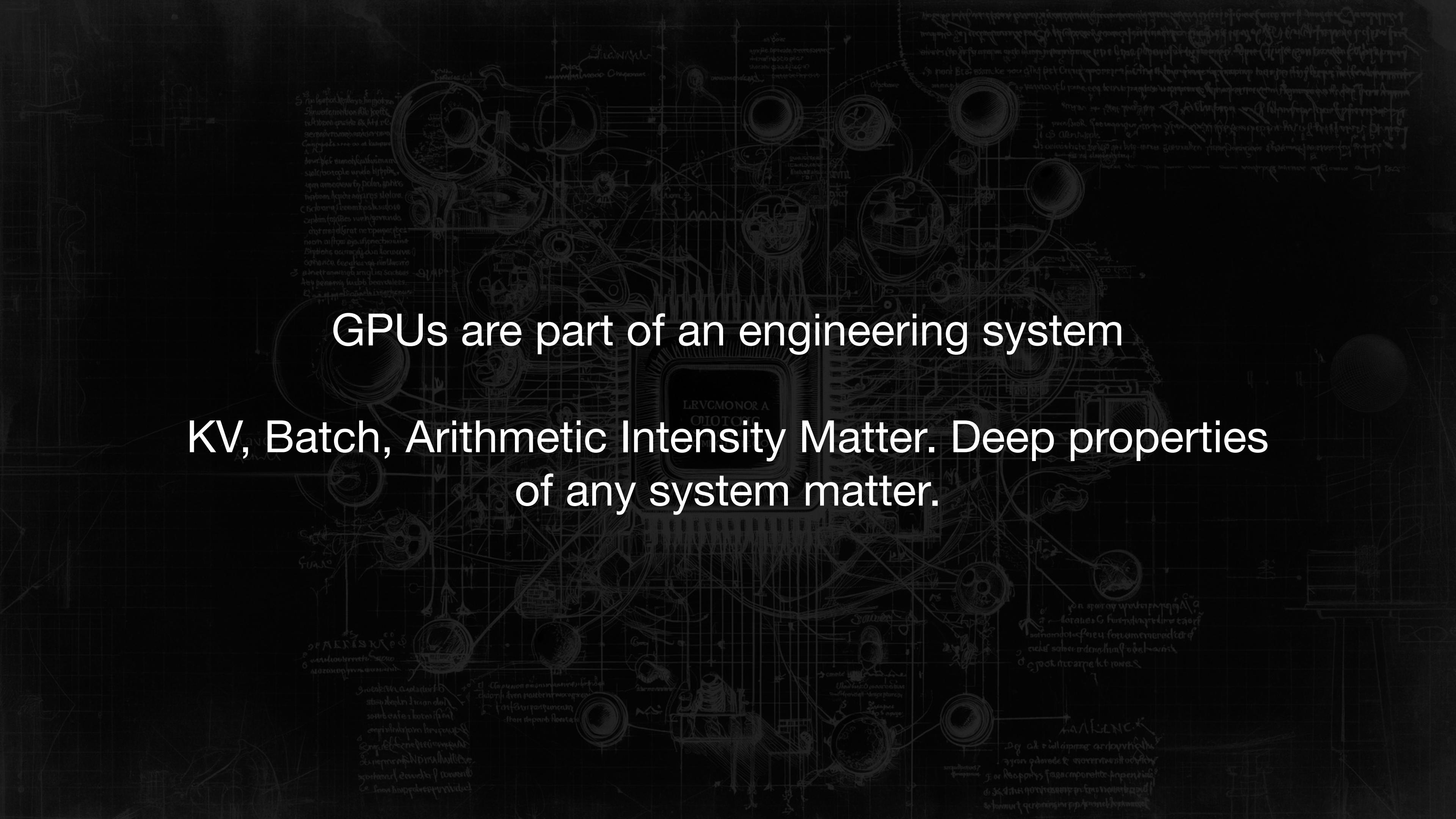
**xyz** Today at 9:22 PM

I'm disappointed. I know someone from OpenAI is reading this. You had the golden opportunity to give us rick astley poems and you give us cats.







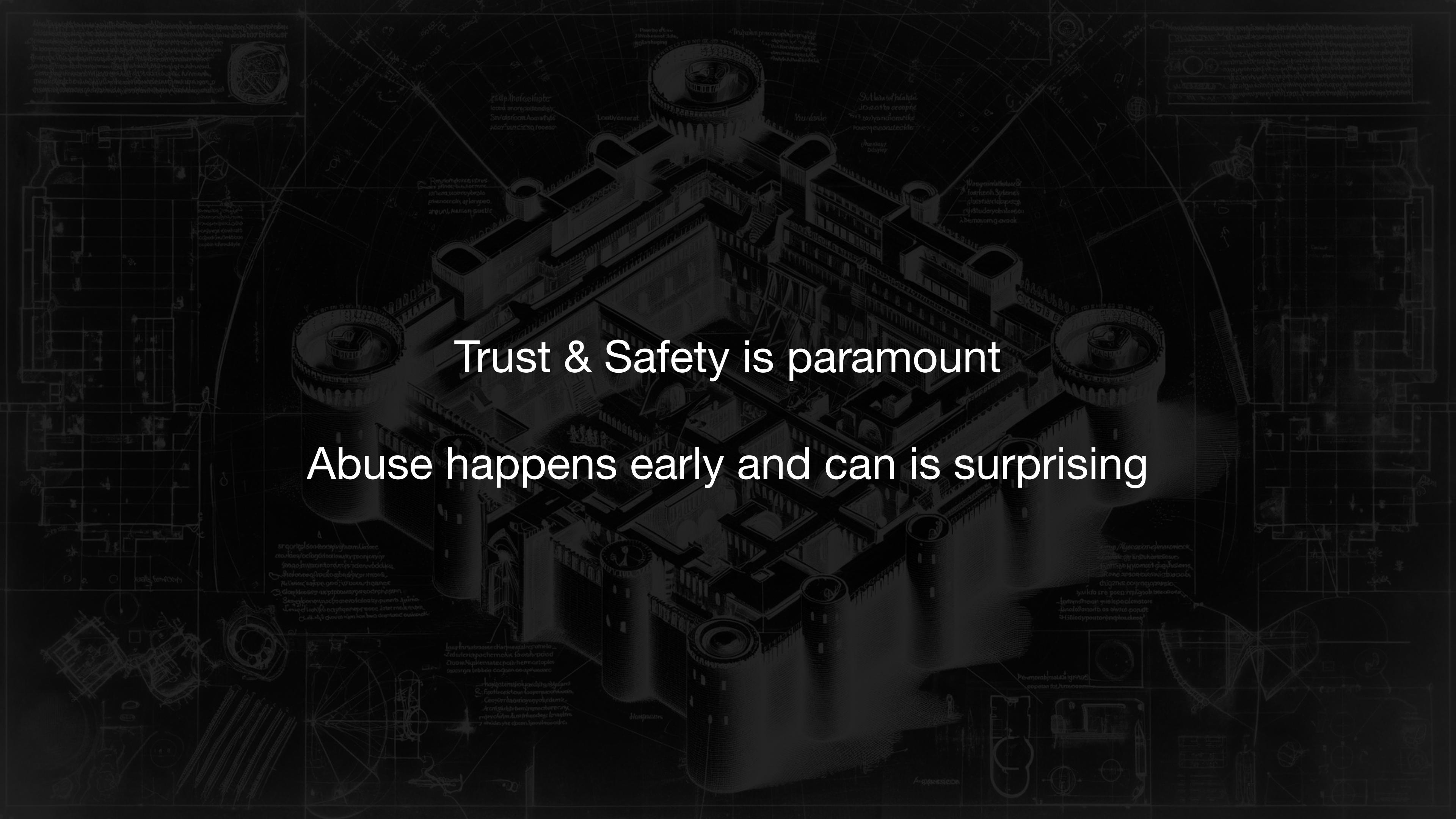


GPUs are part of an engineering system

KV, Batch, Arithmetic Intensity Matter. Deep properties of any system matter.



Keep the startup mentality and structure



Trust & Safety is paramount

Abuse happens early and can is surprising





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