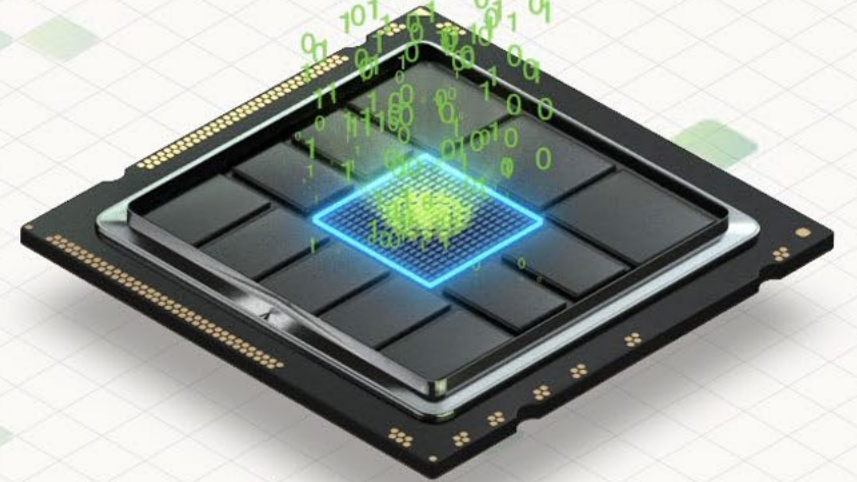


# ReRAM: The Automotive NVM Solution

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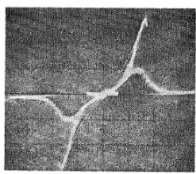


# Outline

- ❖ Embedded ReRAM market
- ❖ Weebit Nano – 4 pillars of ReRAM success
- ❖ Automotive qualification status
- ❖ GF22 pre-qualification results
- ❖ Summary

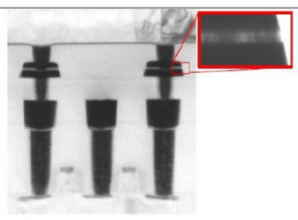
# ReRAM History

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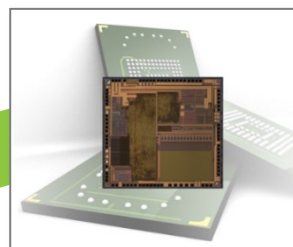
Resistive switching phenomena in oxides discovered!

2000s



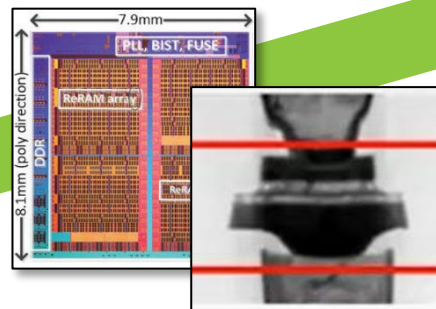
**Samsung**  
RRAM integrated  
in 0.18μm...  
40 years later

2010s



**Panasonic**  
1<sup>st</sup> commercially available  
implementation of RRAM  
  
Healthcare, security equipment  
or sensor processing applications

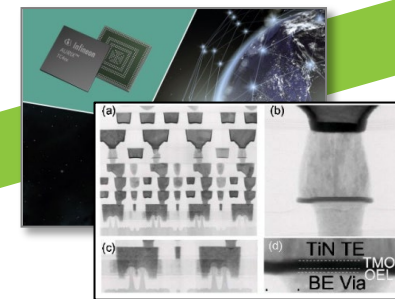
2019-2020



**22nm FinFET**  
Intel, TSMC  
10<sup>4</sup> cycles, 85°C 10ys  
retention

**14nm & beyond**  
IMECAS

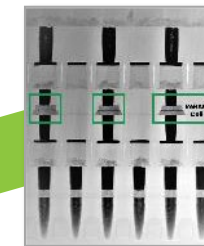
2021-2022



**Automotive  
μC 28nm**  
Infineon & TSMC

**Trusted supplier  
ReRAM qualified**  
Weebit & SkyWater

2023-2024



**TSMC NVM  
Roadmap: RRAM**  
Down to 6nm

**Nuvoton ReRAM  
MCUs**  
Up to 512KB

**Power Management  
NVM**  
Weebit & DBH

**ReRAM products available for embedded applications...  
50 years after the switching effect was discovered**

# Embedded NVM Comparison

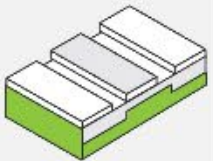
	eFlash	FeRAM	STT-MRAM	PCM	ReRAM (RRAM)
High-temp reliability	●	●	●	●	●
Radiation immunity	●	●	●	●	●
EMI immunity	●	●	●	●	●
Low power consumption	●	●	●	●	●
Fast programming	●	●	●	●	●
High endurance	●	●	●	●	●
Production cost	●	●	●	●	●
Contaminating materials	●	●	●	●	●
Small module size	●	●	●	●	●
Mature technology	●	●	●	●	●

**ReRAM best positioned to lead  
the next NVM wave**

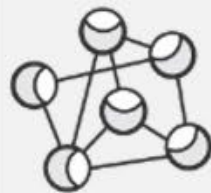


# The Pillars of ReRAM Success

**Device**



**Process**



**Analog  
Design**



**Digital  
Design &  
Algorithms**



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# State of Weebit ReRAM Today

## Qualified modules at 85°C and 125°C

- ❖ Temperatures specified for industrial and automotive grade 1 ICs
- ❖ Qualified for endurance and 10yr retention per JEDEC industry standards

## AEC-Q100 qualification (150°C and 100K cycles) in progress

- ❖ Good results achieved, collecting statistical data for full qualification

## Technology demonstrated on multiple process nodes

- ❖ From 130nm to 22nm, Al / Cu, 200mm / 300mm
- ❖ Successfully simulated on FinFET nodes

## SkyWater: ReRAM module now available for production

- ❖ Partnering with Efabless to give chipIgnite customers access to ReRAM

## DB HiTek: Technology transfer underway

## GF22 FDSOI: 1<sup>st</sup> silicon is under characterization

Coming soon:  
AEC-Q100  
Qual

June 2024:  
Partnering  
with Efabless

Apr 2024:  
Demo on  
GlobalFoundries  
22FDX® wafers

Feb 2024:  
Demo 150°C;  
100K cycles

Oct 2023:  
License  
to DB HiTek

# Automotive in Need of New NVM Technologies

## ❖ Growing needs for emerging NVM

- ◆ Needed for code storage, trimming, data logging

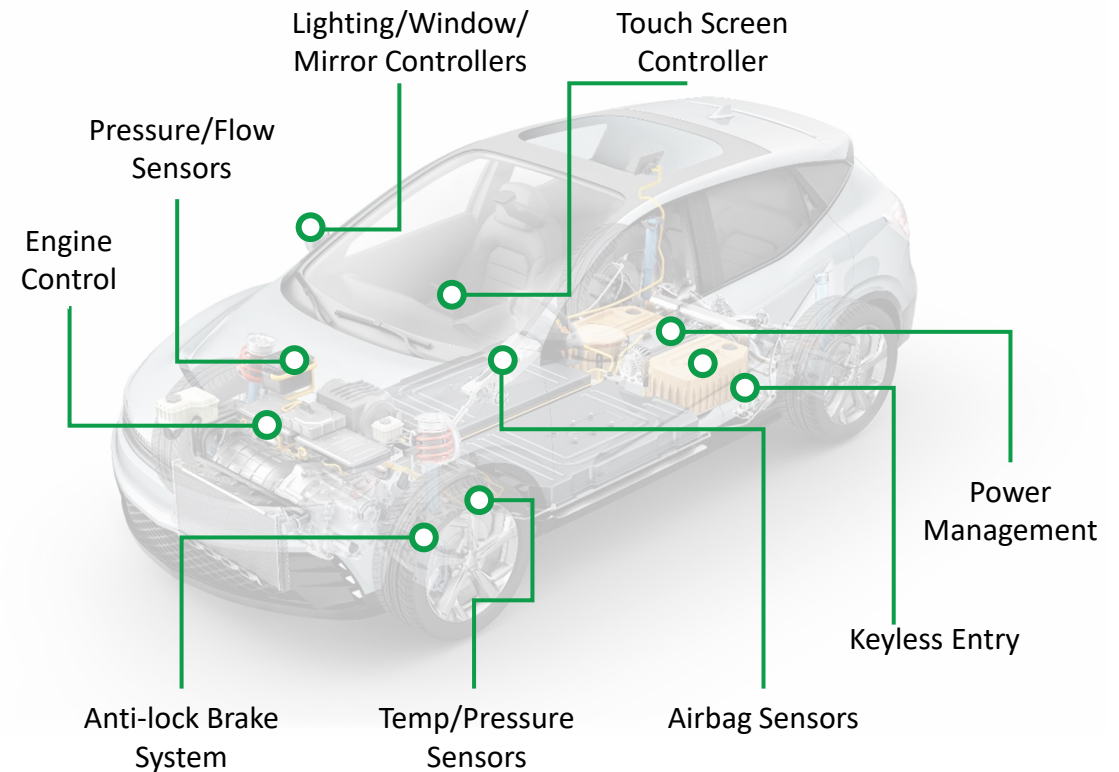
## ❖ Automotive ICs have unique requirements

- ◆ Design for safety, security and longevity
- ◆ Reliable against extreme temperatures, EMI, vibration, humidity, etc.
- ◆ Support fast boot, instant response, frequent OTA updates
- ◆ Advanced process nodes are adopted quickly

## ❖ Weebit ReRAM

- ◆ High-temp reliability, immunity to EMI, endurance, fast switching speed, longevity, secure
- ◆ Can effectively scale to the most advanced process nodes

## Some Places Where NVM is Found in a Car



# Performance under Extended Automotive Conditions

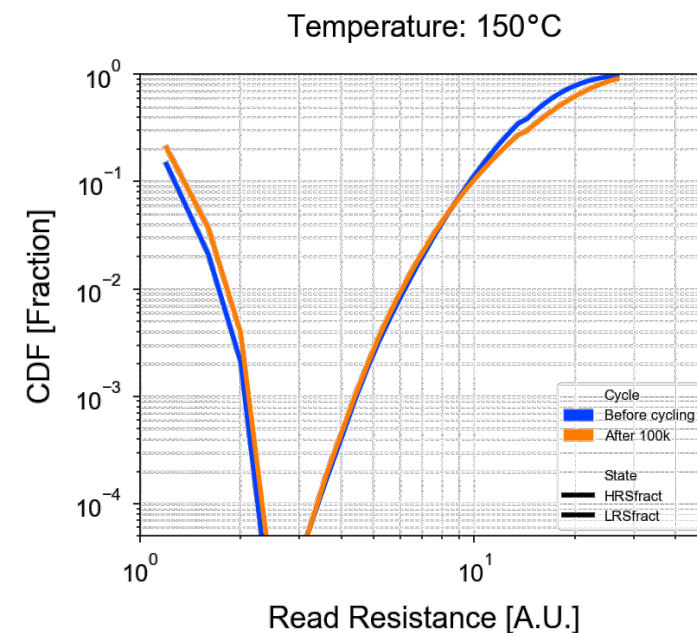
## 150°C Operation

- ❖ For automotive qualification, need to demonstrate operation at  $T_{max} = 150^{\circ}\text{C}$
- ❖ Automotive grading for temp according to the specific application
- ❖ Grade 0 ( $-40^{\circ}\text{C}$  to  $+150^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) is the most stringent and usually needed for under-the-hood applications

Grade	Ambient operating temperature range
0	- 40°C to +150°C
1	- 40°C to +125°C
2	- 40°C to +105°C
3	- 40°C to +85°C

## 100K Endurance

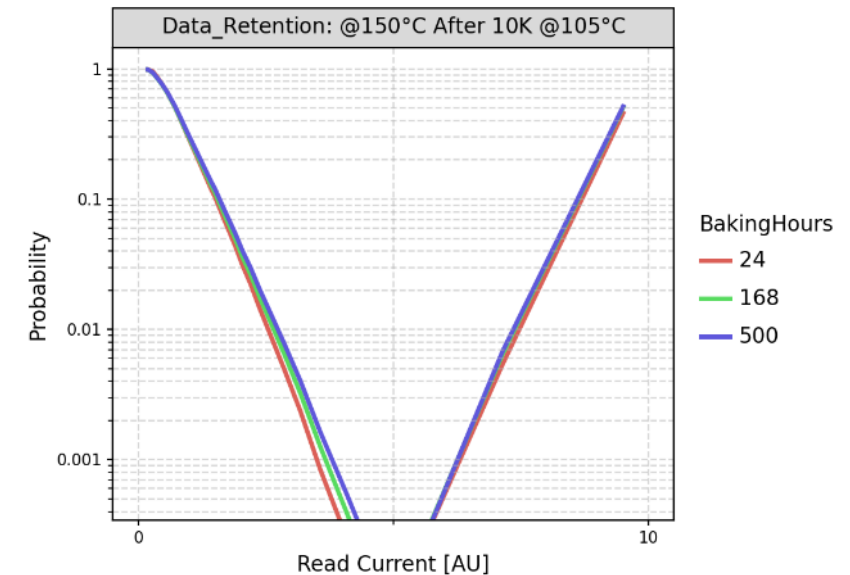
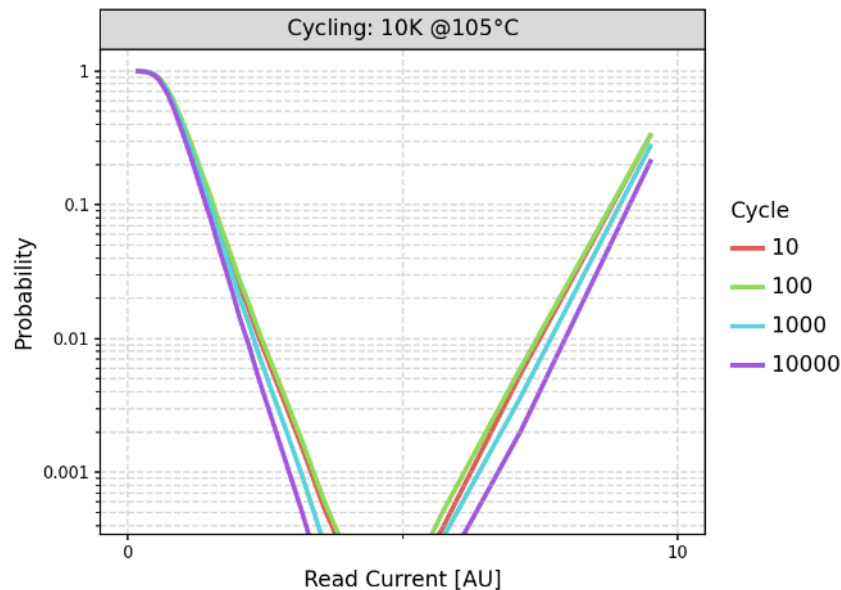
- ❖ Automotive requires up to 100K endurance cycles
- ❖ Our performance demonstrates good BER throughout the entire 100K cycles
- ❖ No significant degradation is witnessed





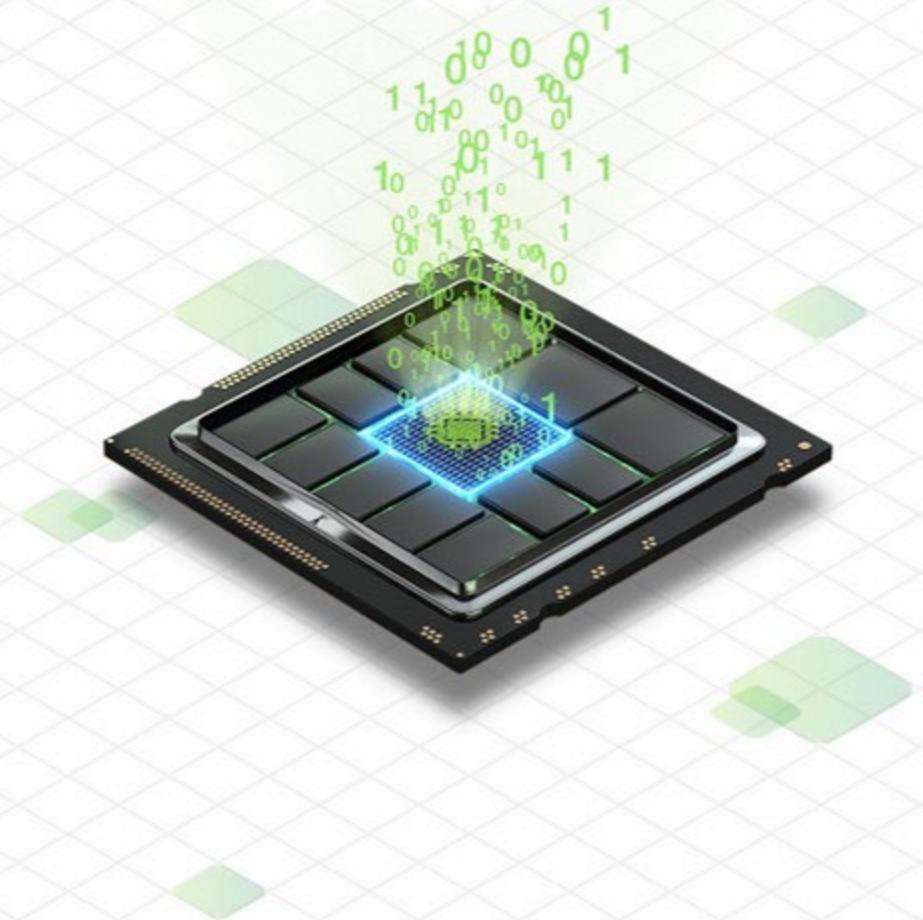
# Test Results from GlobalFoundries 22FDX

- ❖ Earlier this year we received GF 22FDX wafers incorporating our ReRAM module
  - ◆ 8Mb, 128-bit wide, targeting 10K cycles and 10yr retention at 105°C (automotive to follow)
  - ◆ Characterization and qualification activities are ongoing
- ❖ Pre-qualification results show:
  - ◆ Weebit's ReRAM stack is stable at 105°C cycling endurance up to 10K cycling
  - ◆ Very good data retention pre- and post-cycling is maintained for a long time at high temperatures (150°C)



# Conclusions

- ❖ Weebit ReRAM ported successfully to commercial foundries
  - ◆ E.g., SkyWater and DB HiTek
- ❖ Weebit is targeting the automotive market and is in the process of automotive qualification with very good results
- ❖ For the first time, Weebit is publicly presenting pre-qualification results of its ReRAM technology on GF 22FDX® wafers

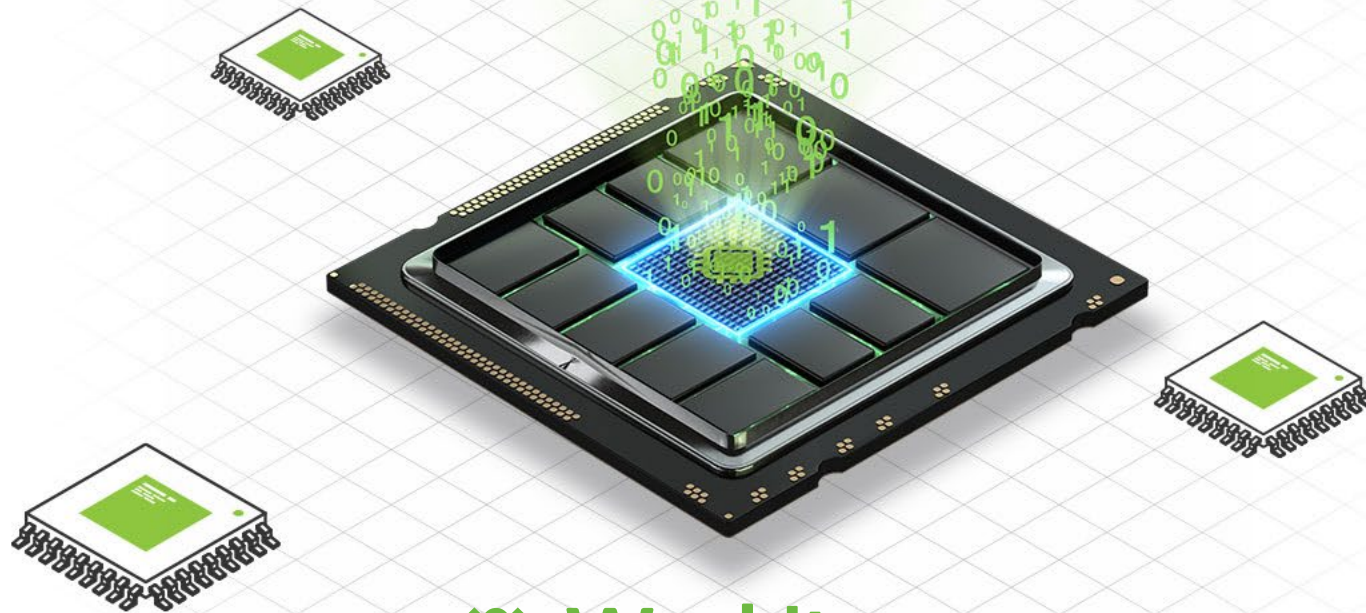




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