Computer Memory

Digital Memory > Required for storing data and program instructions.

Memory Types:

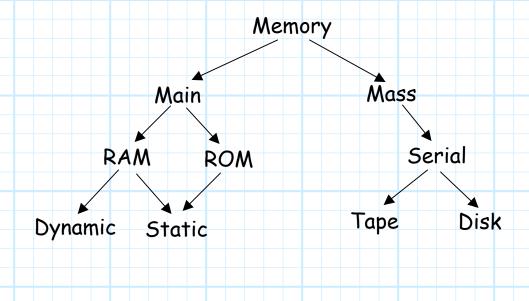
Volatile OR Non-volatile

Main-Memory OR Mass-storage

Read/Write OR Read Only (ROM)

Random Access OR Serial

Dynamic (DRAM) OR Static (SRAM)



General performance parameters (Read/write):

	Speed	Cost/bit	Volatility
SRAM	faster	\$\$\$	Yes
DRAM	fast	\$\$	Yes
Serial	slow	\$	No

As a result, there is **no** perfect computer memory—most computers will use **several** memory types!

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