# Back to the Future: A Historical Perspective

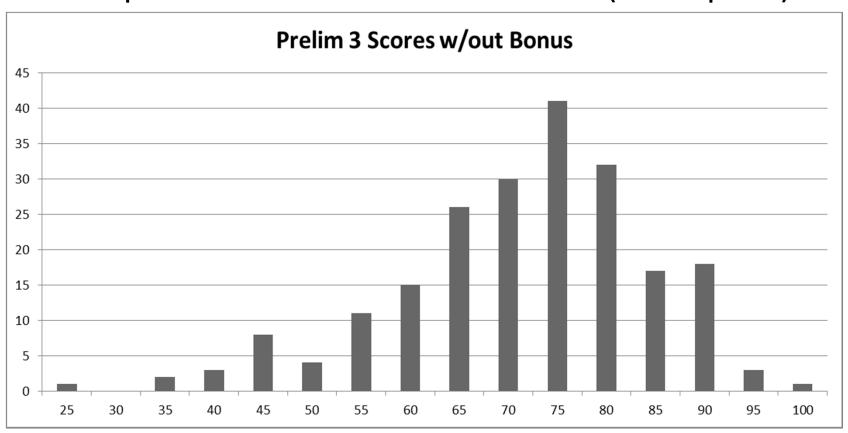
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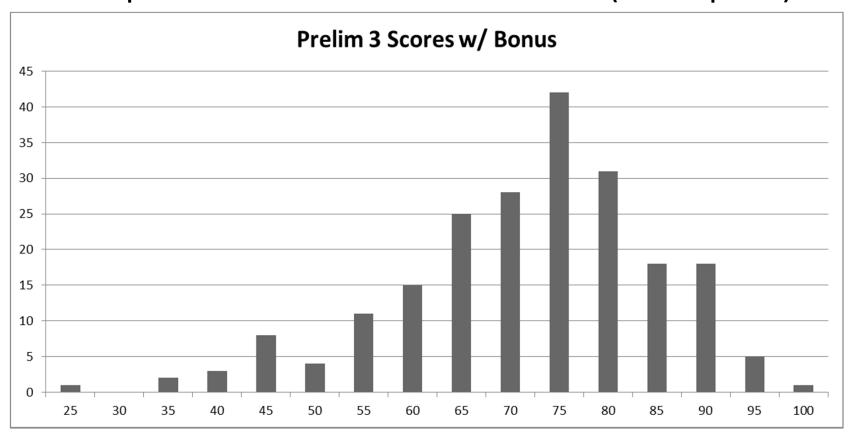
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- Mean 69.5 ± 12.9 (median 71.5), Max 95.5, out of 98
- Pickup in Homework Passback Room (305 Upson)



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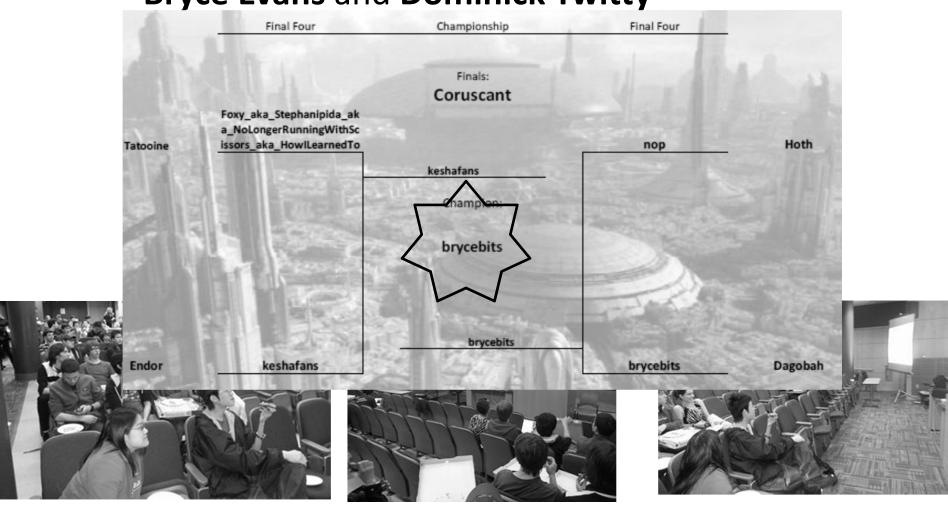
How to improve your grade?

# Submit a course evaluation and drop lowest homework score

To receive credit, Submit before Tuesday, May 7<sup>th</sup>

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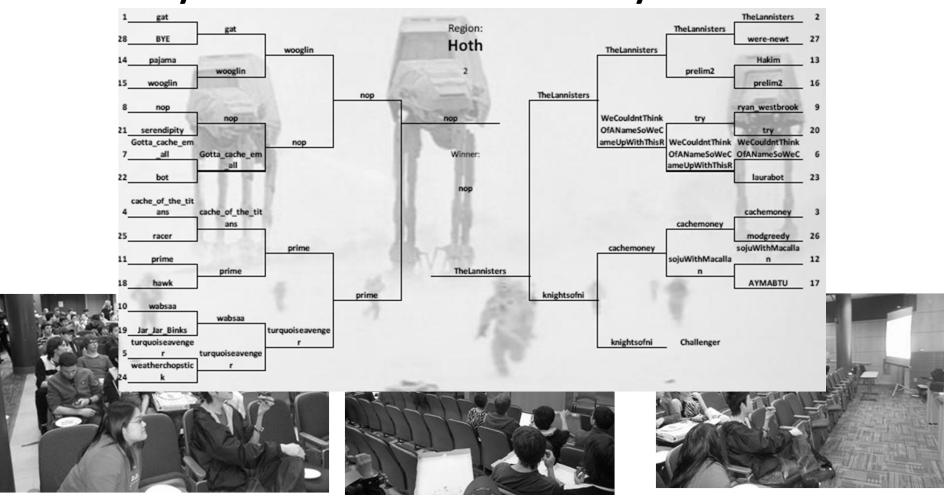
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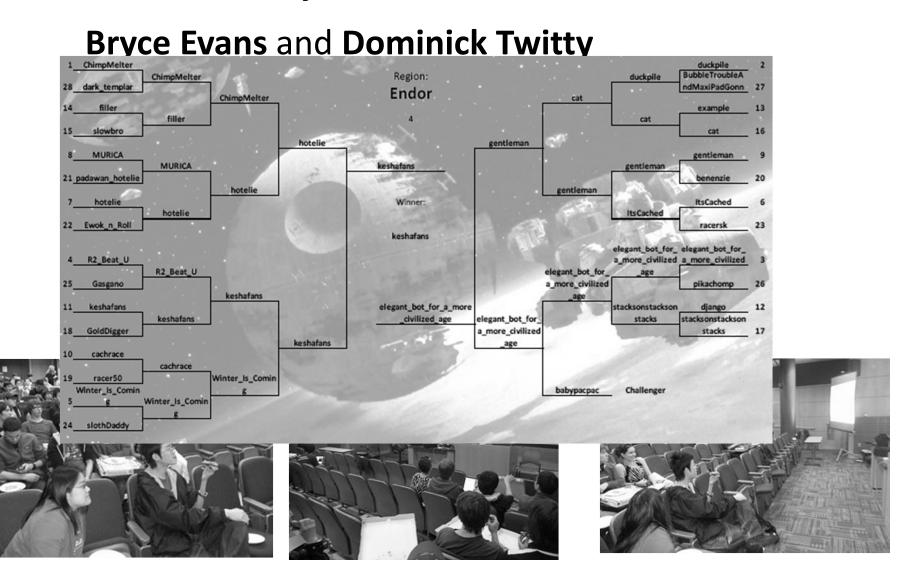
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Final Project
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Design Doc sign-up via CMS

sign up Sunday, Monday, or Tuesday May 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, or 7<sup>th</sup>

Demo Sign-Up via CMS.

sign up Tuesday, May 14<sup>th</sup> or Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

#### CMS submission due:

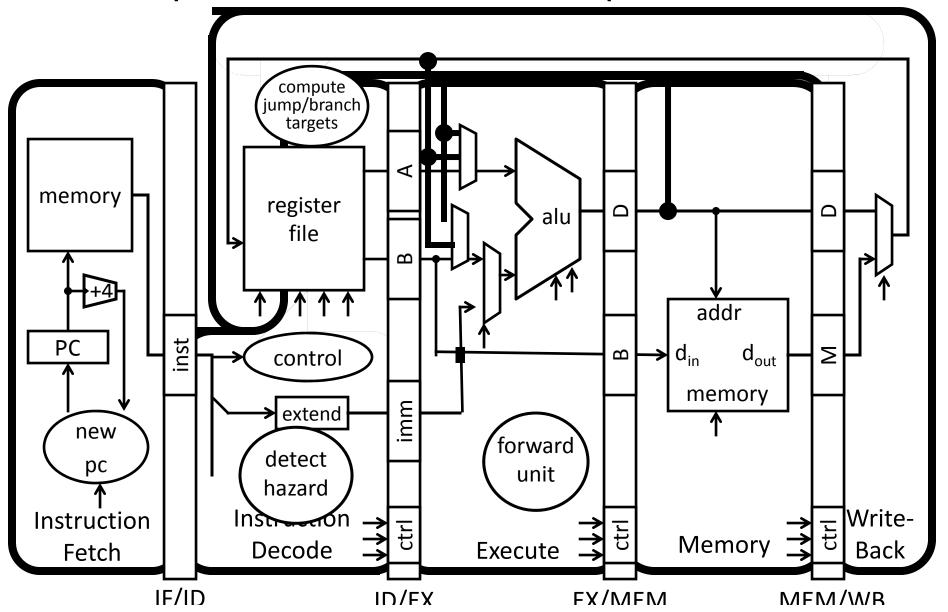
Due 6:30pm Wednesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>

# Goal for Today: Back to the Future

Can multiple entities interact with processor at once?

# Back to the Future: Timesharing

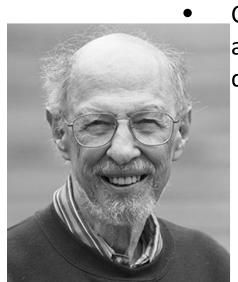
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# Back to the Future: Timesharing

#### Fernando J. Corbató (MIT)

- Known for pioneering time sharing systems and MULTICS operating system (later influence UNIX)
- Influences: Turing Award Recipient (1990).
  - "for his pioneering work in organizing the concepts and leading the development of the general-purpose, largescale, time-sharing and resource-sharing computer systems"
    - Corbató's Law: "Regardless of whether one is dealing with assembly language or compiler language, the number of debugged lines of source code per day is about the same!"





# Back to the Future: Timesharing

1963 Timesharing: A Solution to Computer Bottlenecks http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3lkP7gZlprk&feature=youtu.be (cc) http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Q07PhW5sCEk&feature=youtu.be

- Reporter John Fitch at the MIT Computation Center in an extended interview with MIT professor of computer science Fernando J. Corbato
- The prime focus of the film is timesharing, one of the most important developments in computing

