What does the Future Hold?

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Announcements

How to improve your grade?

Submit a course evaluation and drop lowest homework score

To receive credit, Submit before Tuesday, May 7th

Announcements

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Final Project
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Design Doc sign-up via CMS

sign up Sunday, Monday, or Tuesday May 5th, 6th, or 7th

Demo Sign-Up via CMS.

sign up Tuesday, May 14th or Wednesday, May 15th

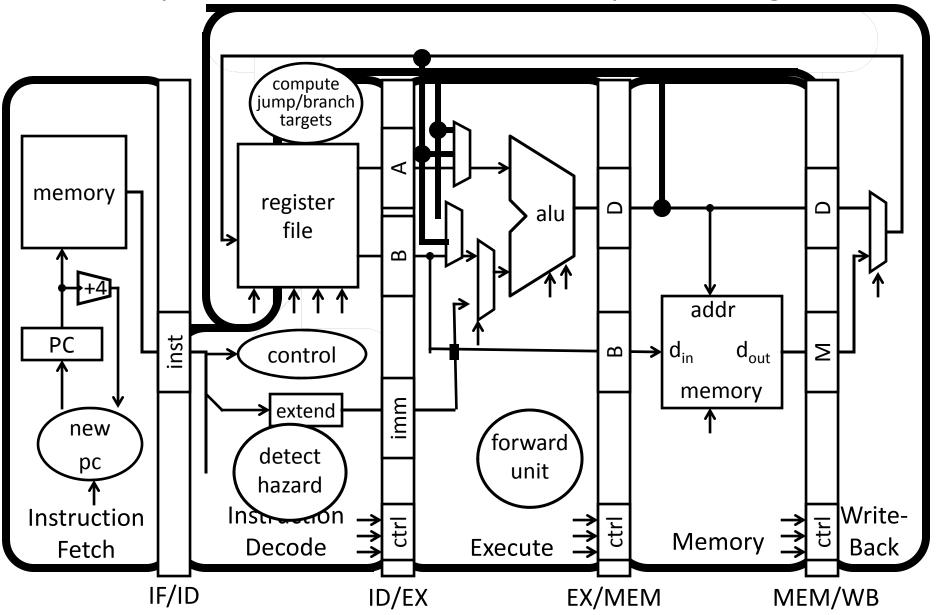
CMS submission due:

Due 6:30pm Wednesday, May 15th

Big Picture about the Future

Big Picture

How a processor works? How a computer is organized?



What's next?

More of Moore

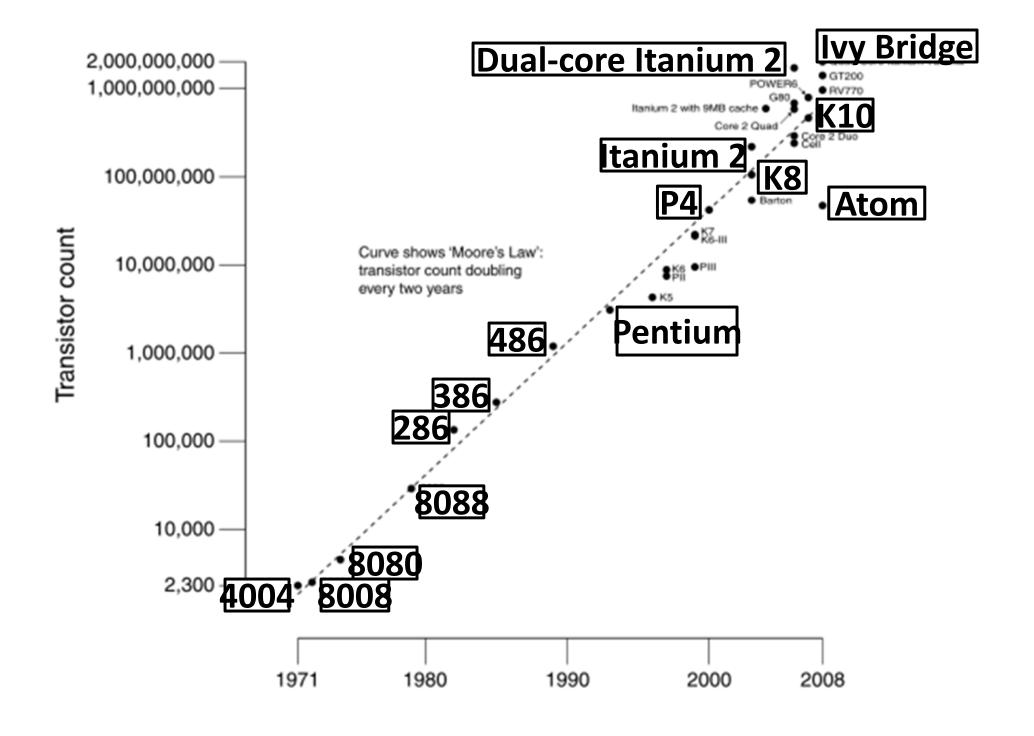
Moore's Law

Moore's Law introduced in 1965

 Number of transistors that can be integrated on a single die would double every 18 to 24 months (i.e., grow exponentially with time).

Amazingly visionary

- 2300 transistors, 1 MHz clock (Intel 4004) 1971
- 16 Million transistors (Ultra Sparc III)
- 42 Million transistors, 2 GHz clock (Intel Xeon) 2001
- 55 Million transistors, 3 GHz, 130nm technology,
 250mm2 die (Intel Pentium 4) 2004
- 290+ Million transistors, 3 GHz (Intel Core 2 Duo) 2007
- 731 Million transistors, 2-3Ghz (Intel Nehalem) 2009
- 1.4 Billion transistors, 2-3Ghz (Intel Ivy Bridge) 2012



Why Multicore?

Moore's law

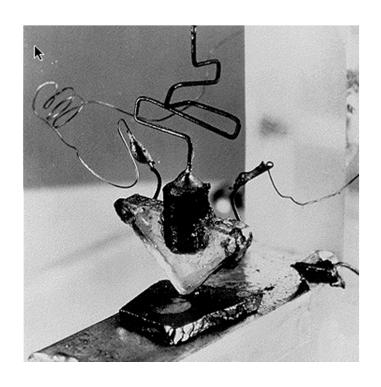
- A law about transistors
- Smaller means more transistors per die
- And smaller means faster too

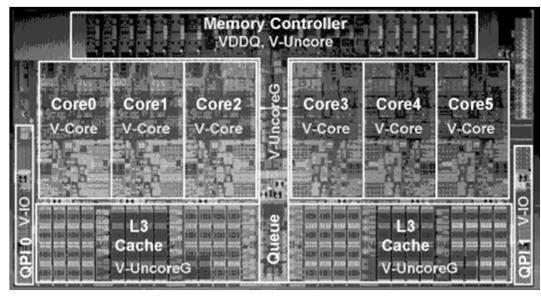
But: Power consumption growing too...

What to do with all these transistors?

Multi-core

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http://www.theregister.co.uk/2010/02/03/intel_westmere_ep_preview/

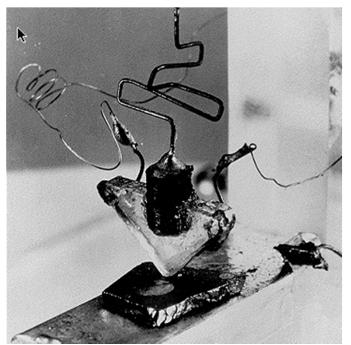
The first transistor

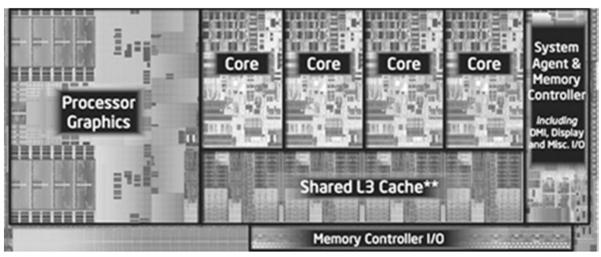
- on a workbench at AT&T Bell Labs in 1947
- Bardeen, Brattain, and Shockley

• An Intel Westmere

- 1.17 billion transistors
- 240 square millimeters
- 32 nanometer: transistor gate width
- Six processing cores
- Release date: January 2010

Multi-core





http://forwardthinking.pcmag.com/none/296972-intel-releases-ivy-bridge-first-processor-with-tri-gate-transistor

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An Intel Ivy Bridge

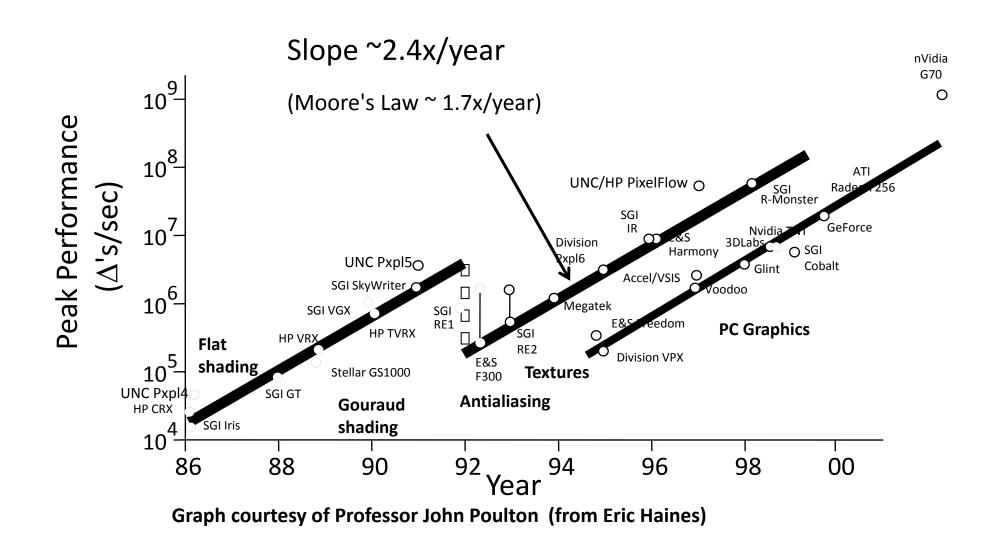
- 1.4 billion transistors
- 160 square millimeters
- 22 nanometer: transistor gate width
- Up to eight processing cores
- Release date: April 2012

What to do with all these transistors?

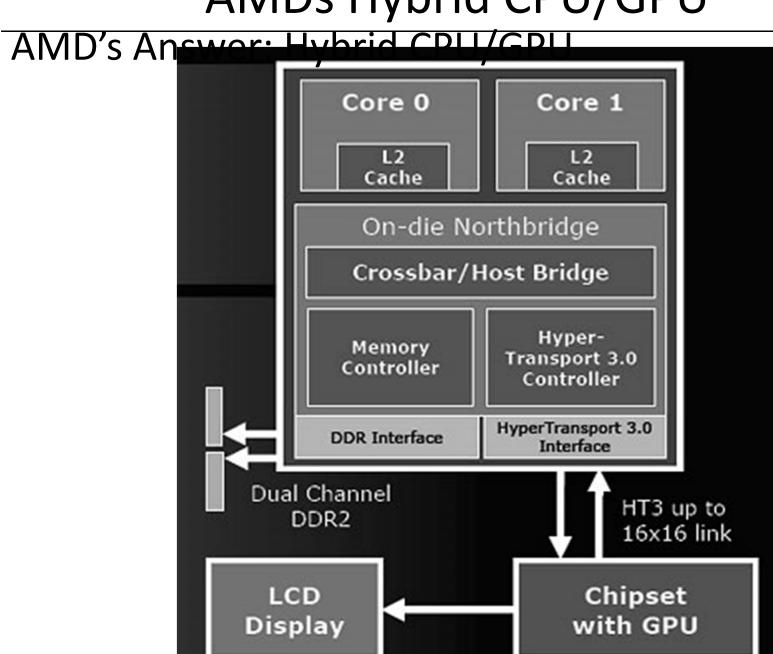
Many-core and Graphical Processing units

Faster than Moore's Law

One-pixel polygons (~10M polygons @ 30Hz)



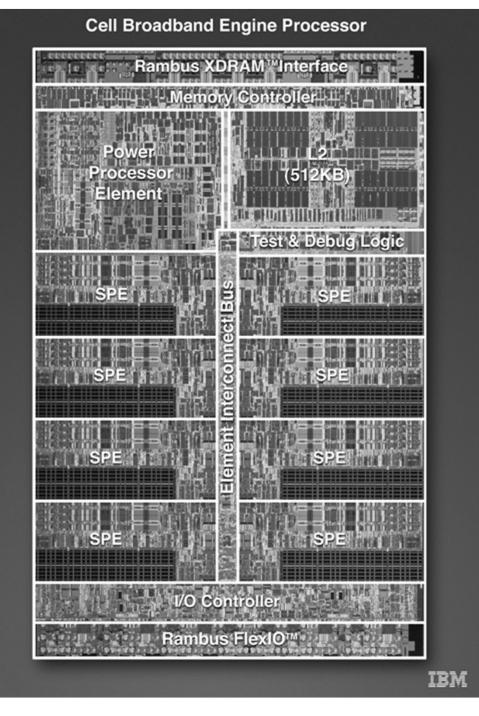
AMDs Hybrid CPU/GPU



IBM/Sony/Toshiba

Sony Playstation 3

PPE
SPEs (synergestic)



Parallelism

Must exploit parallelism for performance

- Lots of parallelism in graphics applications
- Lots of parallelism in scientific computing

SIMD: single instruction, multiple data

- Perform same operation in parallel on many data items
- Data parallelism

MIMD: multiple instruction, multiple data

- Run separate programs in parallel (on different data)
- Task parallelism



NVidia Tesla Architecture



Why are GPUs so fast?

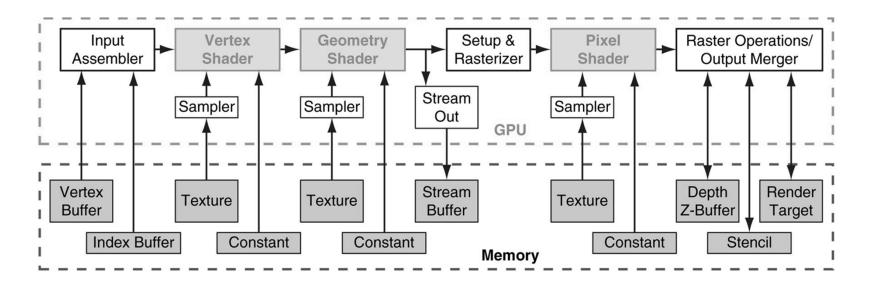


FIGURE A.3.1 Direct3D 10 graphics pipeline. Each logical pipeline stage maps to GPU hardware or to a GPU processor. Programmable shader stages are blue, fixed-function blocks are white, and memory objects are grey. Each stage processes a vertex, geometric primitive, or pixel in a streaming dataflow fashion. Copyright © 2009 Elsevier, Inc. All rights reserved.

Pipelined and parallel

Very, very parallel: 128 to 1000 cores

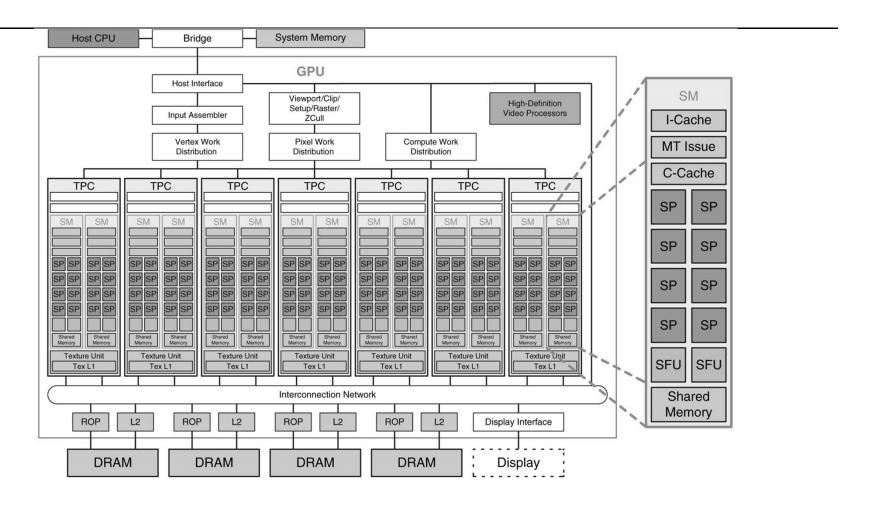


FIGURE A.2.5 Basic unified GPU architecture. Example GPU with 112 streaming processor (SP) cores organized in 14 streaming multiprocessors (SMs); the cores are highly multithreaded. It has the basic Tesla architecture of an NVIDIA GeForce 8800. The processors connect with four 64-bit-wide DRAM partitions via an interconnection network. Each SM has eight SP cores, two special function units (SFUs), instruction and constant caches, a multithreaded instruction unit, and a shared memory. Copyright © 2009 Elsevier, Inc. All rights reserved.

General computing with GPUs

Can we use these for general computation?

Scientific Computing

MATLAB codes

Convex hulls

Molecular Dynamics

Etc.

NVIDIA's answer:

Compute Unified Device Architecture (CUDA)

MATLAB/Fortran/etc. → "C for CUDA" → GPU Codes

What to do with all these transistors?

Cloud Computing

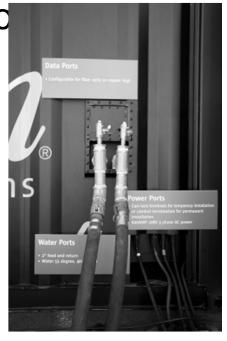
Cloud Computing

Datacenters are becoming a commodity Order online and have it delivered

- Datacenter in a box: already set up with commodity hardware & software (Intel, Linux, petabyte of storage)
- Plug data, power & cooling and turn d
 - typically connected via optical fiber

such datacenters





Cloud Computing = Network of Datacenters



Cloud Computing

Enable datacenters to coordinate over vast distances

- Optimize availability, disaster tolerance, energy
- Without sacrificing performance
- "cloud computing"

Drive underlying technological innovations.



Cloud Computing

Vision

The promise of the Cloud

- A computer utility; a commodity
- Catalyst for technology economy
- Revolutionizing for health care, financial systems, scientific research, and society

However, cloud platforms today

- Entail significant risk: vendor lock-in vs control
- Entail inefficient processes: energy vs performance
- Entail poor communication: fiber optics vs COTS endpoint

Example: Energy and Performance

Why don't we save more energy in the cloud?

No one deletes data anymore!

Huge amounts of seldom-accessed data

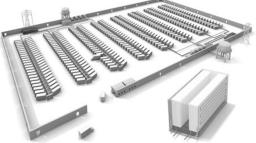
Data deluge

- Google (YouTube, Picasa, Gmail, Docs), Facebook, Flickr
- 100 GB per second is faster than hard disk capacity growth!
- Max amount of data accessible at one time << Total data

New scalable approach needed to store this data

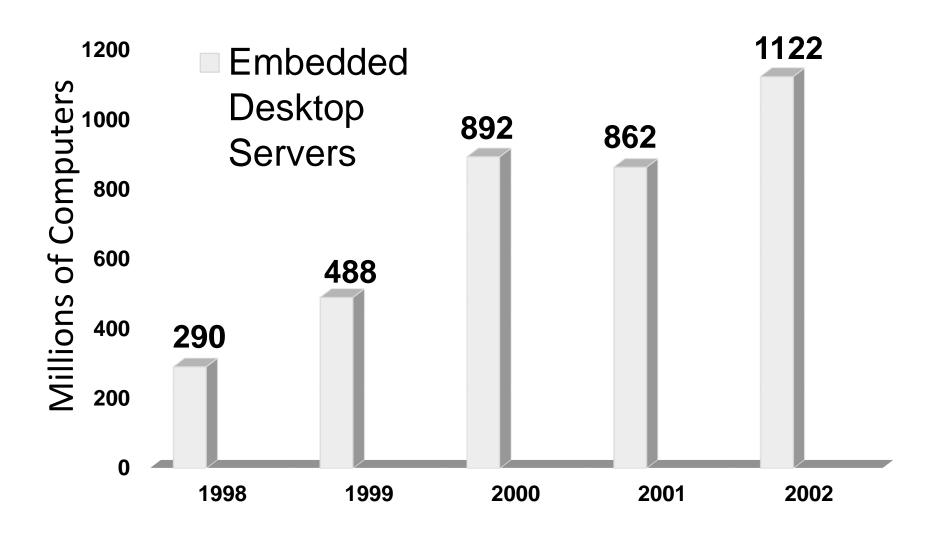
 Energy footprint proportional to number of HDDs is not sustainable

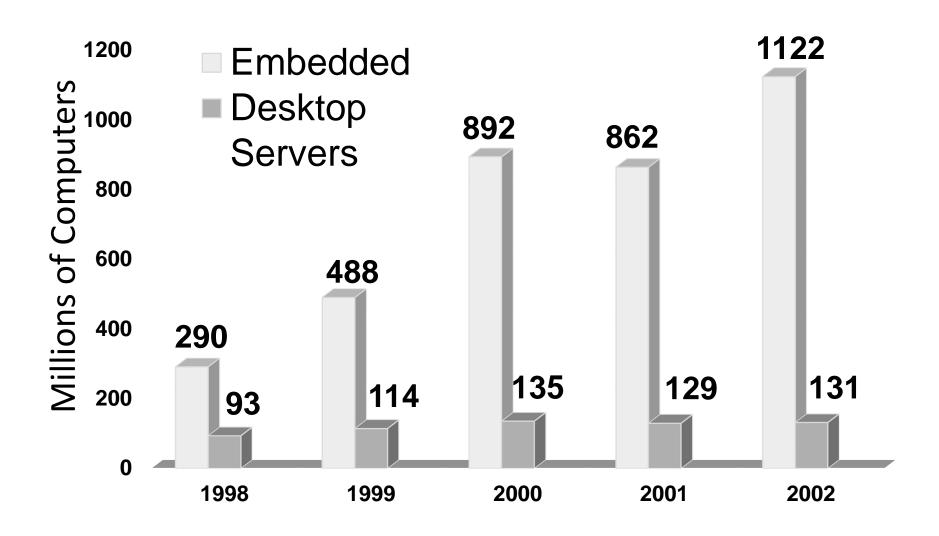


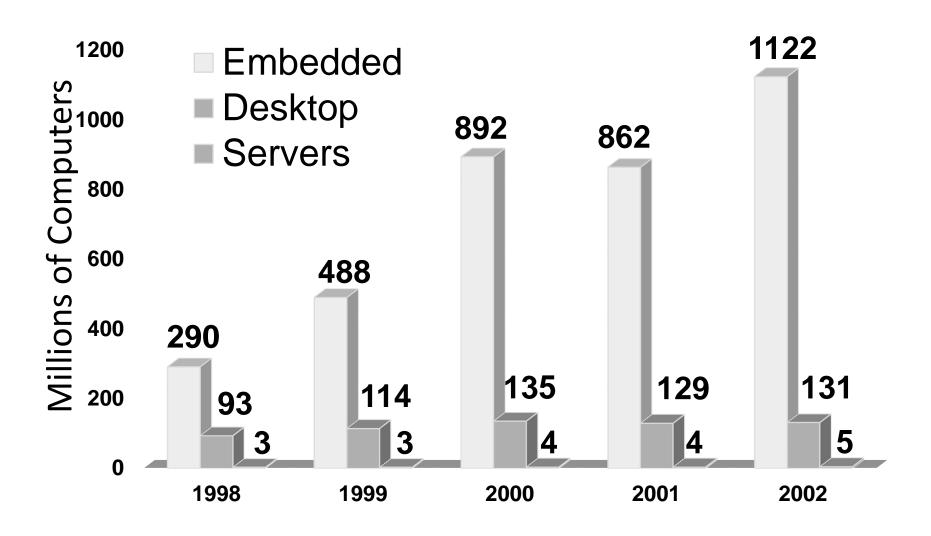


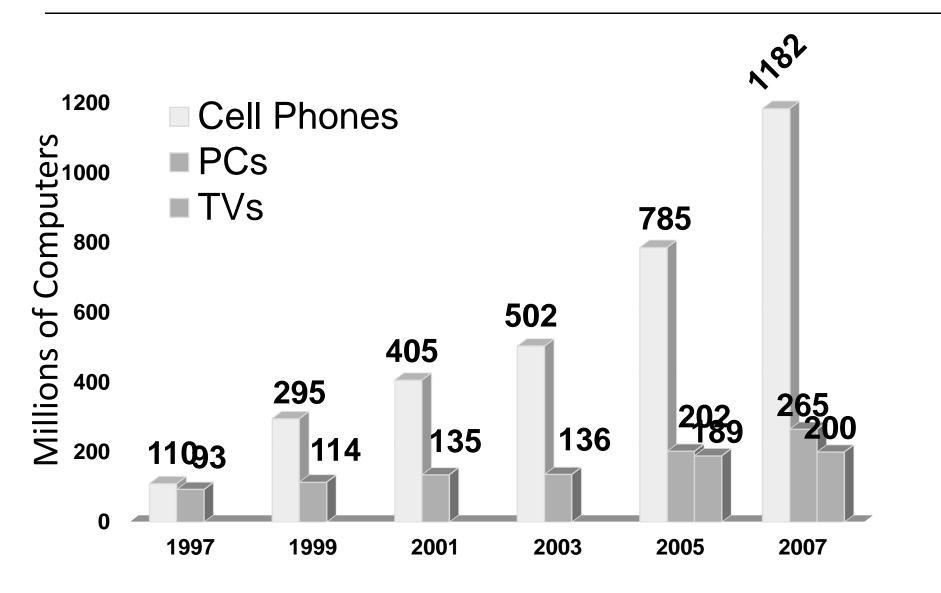
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Embedded Processors







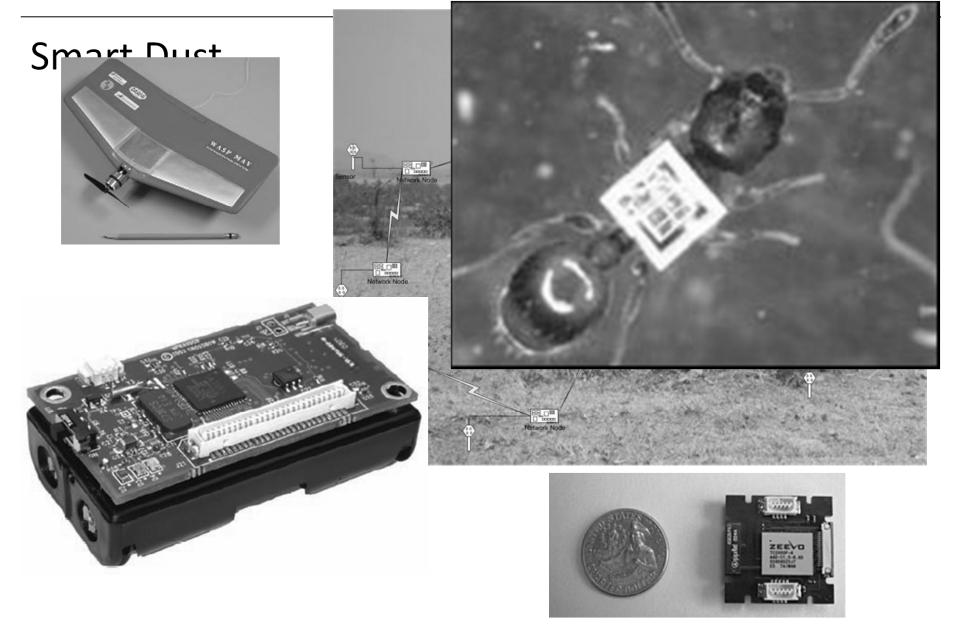






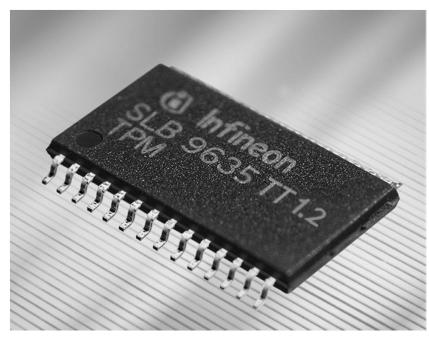


Where to?



Security?

Cryptography and security...



TPM 1.2





Security?

Stack Smashing...

Before

buffer[1024]

ret address of CalcAverage()

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rest of the stack

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After

"Success ;)"

nothing meaningful here

address of printf

return address of main()

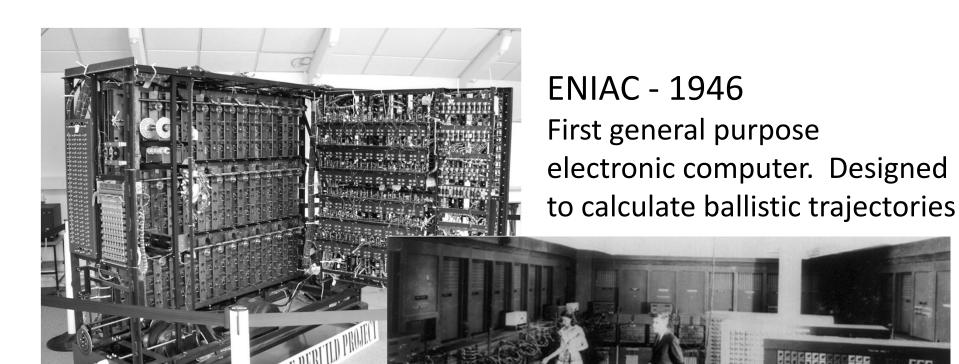
address of buffer[0]

rest of the stack

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What to do with all these transistors?

You could save the world one day?



Alan Turing's Bombe Used to crack Germany's enigma machine

Smart Dust & Sensor Networks Games **Embedded** Save the Computing world? **Graphics** Security Scientific Computing Cloud Computing Quantum Computing? Cryptography

Survey Questions

Are you a better computer scientist and software engineering knowing "the low-level stuff"?

How much of computer architecture do software engineers actually have to deal with?

What are the most important aspects of computer architecture that a software engineer should keep in mind while programming?

Why?

These days, programs run on hardware...

... more than ever before

Google Chrome

- → Operating Systems
- → Multi-Core & Hyper-Threading
- → Datapath Pipelines, Caches, MMUs, I/O & DMA
- → Busses, Logic, & State machines
- → Gates
- → Transistors
- → Silicon
- → Electrons

Why?

Your job as a computer scientist will require knowledge the computer

Research/University



Industry



Where to?

CS 3110: Better concurrent programming

CS 4410/4411: The Operating System!

CS 4420/ECE 4750: Computer Architecture

CS 4450: Networking

CS 4620: Graphics

CS 4821: Quantum Computing

MEng

5412—Cloud Computing, 5414—Distr Computing,

5430—Systems Secuirty,

5300—Arch of Larg scale Info Systems

And many more...

Thank you!

If you want to make an apple pie from scratch, you must first create the universe.

Carl Sagan