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**Heterogeneous  
Distributed Computing**

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# Heterogeneity and Distribution In Action

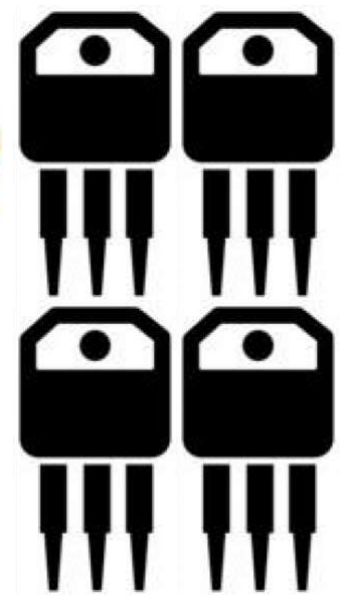
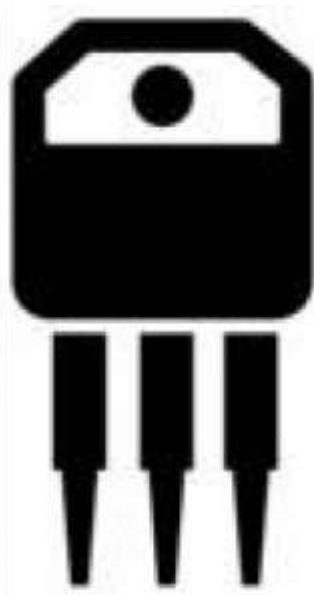
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# Oh, no! No More Moore Anymore

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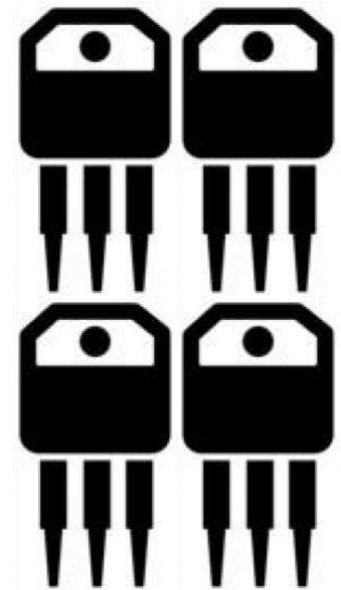
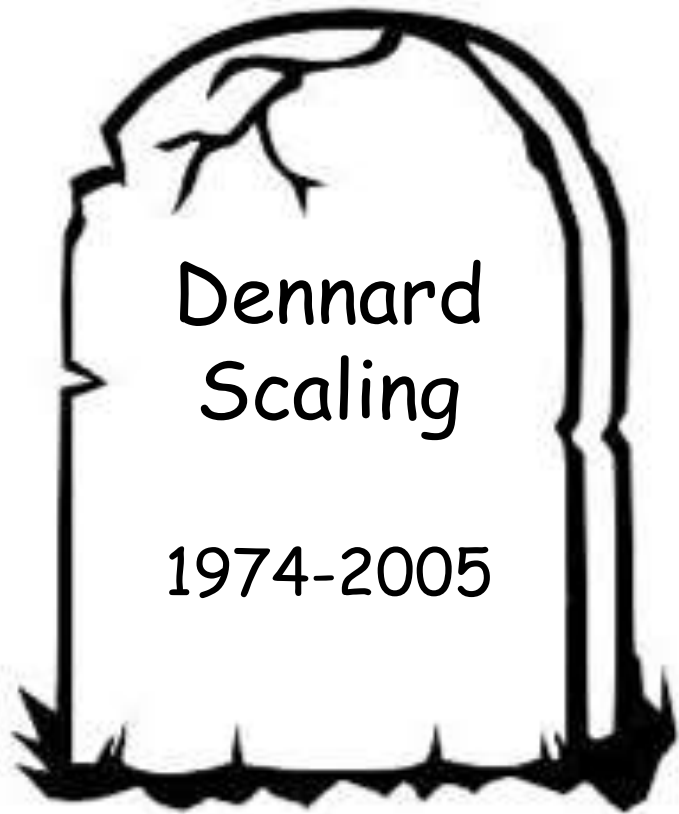


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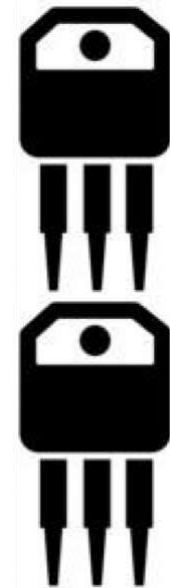
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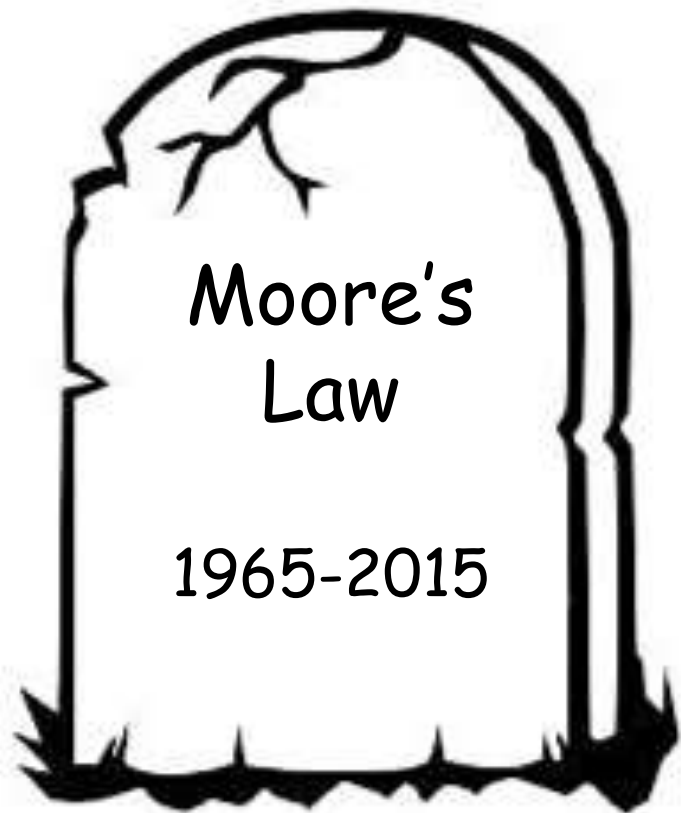


Transistor count doubles every 2 years



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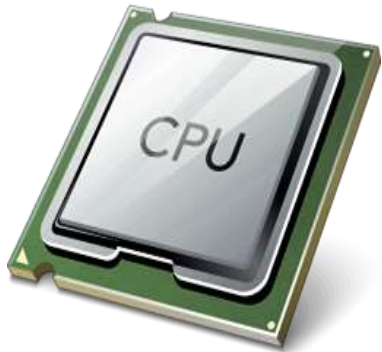


**TSMC: Per transistor cost rises in 2015!**

# Heterogeneity to the rescue

Match the program to the hardware

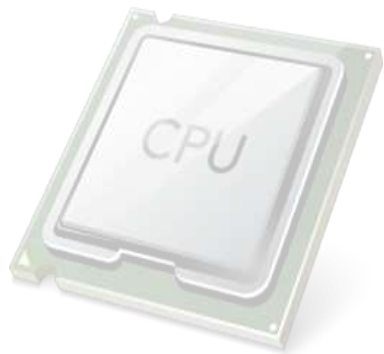
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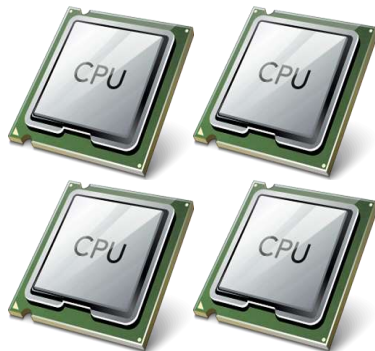
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Small CPUs

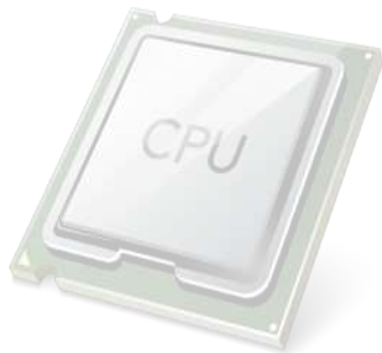




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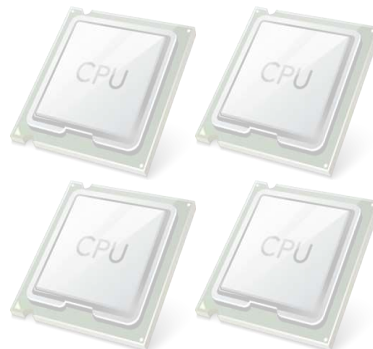
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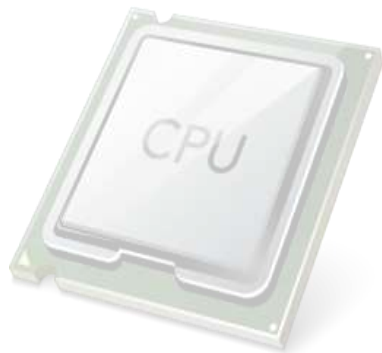
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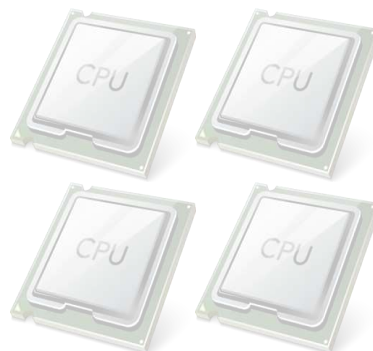
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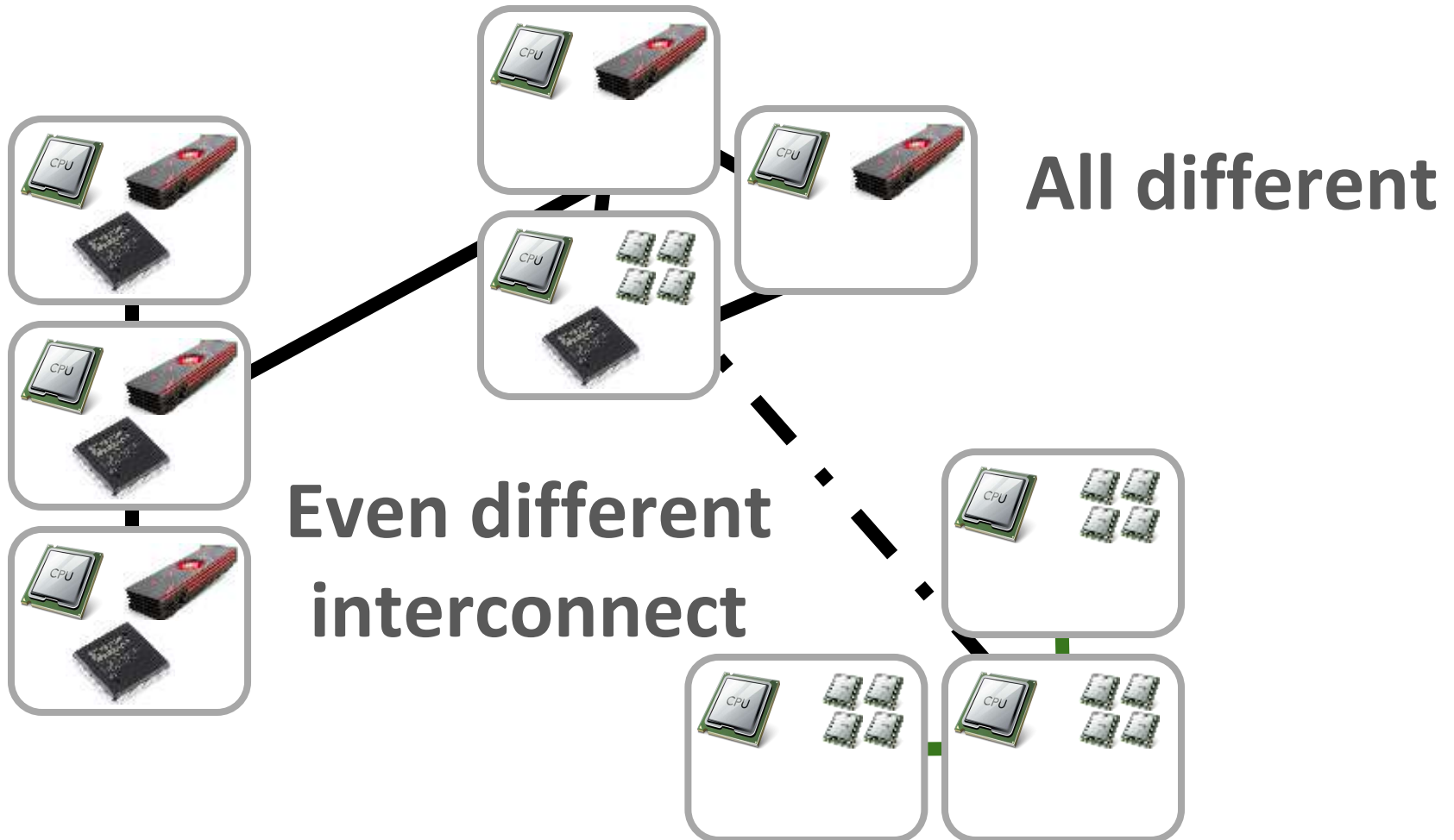


FPGA



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But doesn't fit on one machine



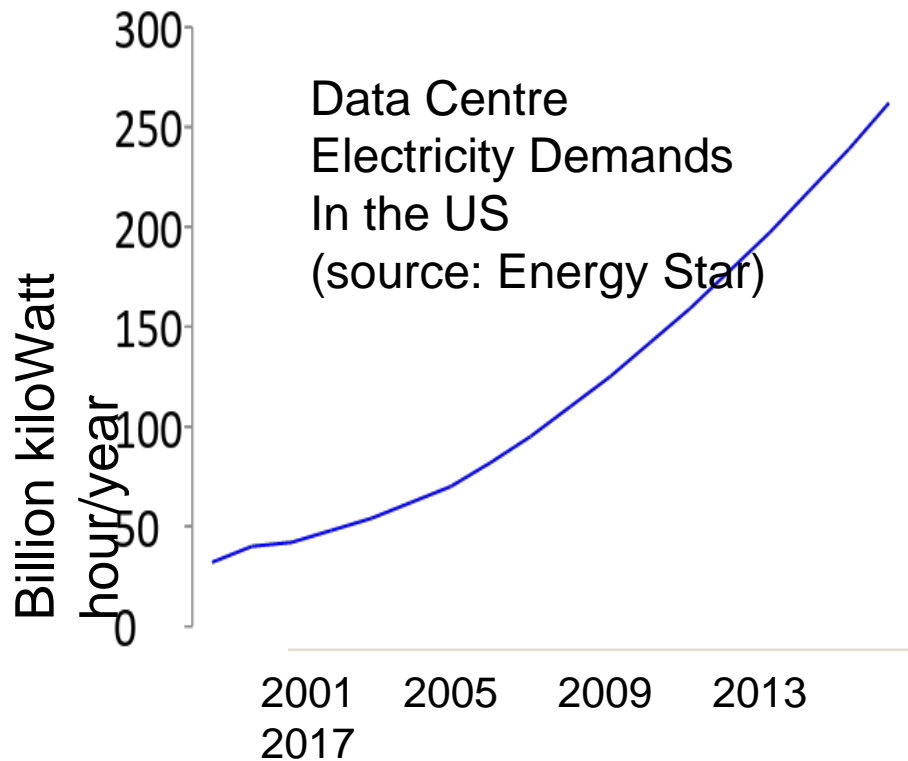


# The **BIG PROBLEMS** Today

- Too hard to program
  - CPUs, GPUs, FPGAs - complex interactions
  - Massive distribution - complex network
  - Must optimise at multiple scales
  - Only experts can play

# The **BIG PROBLEMS** Today

- Too much energy
  - ~20MW each, 1.5% globally, growth exponential





# Heterogeneous Distributed Computing

- Machines internally heterogeneous
- Machines heterogeneous to each other
- Massive distributed networks
- Networks heterogeneous
- **Very hard to program**
- **If we don't get it right =>**  
**energy/performance disaster**



# The Projects

## **HPDCJ**

Heterogenous Parallel Distributed Computing in Java

## **DIONASYS**

Declarative and Interoperable Overlay Networks,  
Applications to Systems of Systems

## **DIVIDEND**

Distributed Heterogeneous Vertically Integrated  
Energy Efficient Data centres

# The Projects

	HPDCJ	DIVIDEND	DIONASYS
<i>Programming Model</i>	✓	✓	✓
<i>Dependability</i>	✓		
<i>Data Management</i>	✓	✓	✓
<i>Versatility</i>		✓	✓
<i>Optimisation Techniques</i>		✓	
<i>Distributed Techniques</i>	✓	✓	✓



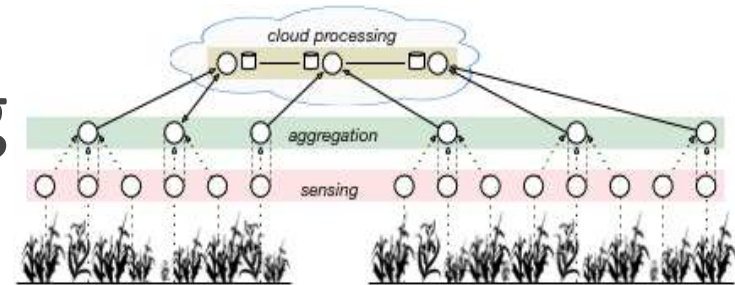


## High Performance Computing

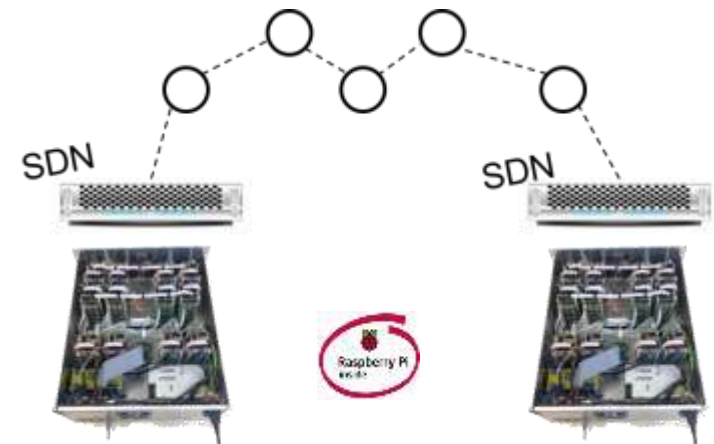
- Parallel distributed computing in Java
  - PCJ library for parallel computing in Java
- Scalability up to 6000 cores
- CPU and GPGPU
- Fault Tolerance
  
- Easy for non expert programmers
  - New approach to teach students

## System as a first-class component (holon)

- Generative programming
- Application in IoT
- System Composition



Self organising overlays  
Prototypes Open Sourced

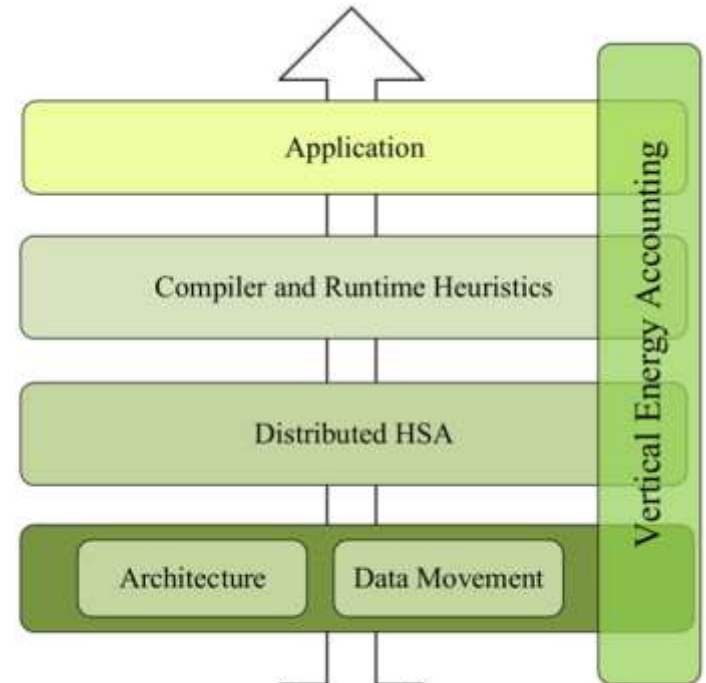




# DIVIDEND

- Vertical integration
- Programming model
- Energy accounting
- Auto tuning
- More heterogeneity
- Fast networks

Prototypes Open Sourced  
Already saving 22% energy



```
QModelIndex start;  
if (currentIndex().isValid())  
    start = currentIndex();  
else  
    start = d->model->index(0  
  
bool skipRow = false;  
bool keyboardTimeWasValid = d  
qint64 keyboardInputTimeElaps  
if (search.isEmpty() || !keyb  
    || keyboardInputTimeElaps  
    d->keyboardInput = search  
    skipRow = currentIndex().  
} else {  
    d->keyboardInput += searc  
}
```



# Grand Challenge

Write a program, then system automatically

- Chooses the right hardware
  - Or creates new hardware
- Optimises everything
- It is easy for the programmer



# Roadmap

## In 5 Years we need

- Programming models for major domains
- DSLs to specialise to all devices (CPU, GPGPU, FPGA)
- Eliminate waste in computing
- SDN needs to be transparent the application





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# Roadmap

## In 10 Years we need

- Universal languages for the masses
- Tool chains to co-design platforms and fabricate logic/network/memory blocks for services
- Programming without knowing what's out there





# CHIST-ERA's Role

## Provide new calls

- Parallel programming
- Energy optimisation
- Automatic hardware synthesis



# Conclusion

- Energy/performance crisis looming
- Can't program and optimise HDC
- We are making progress on this
- Need more calls on this