

ADVANCING GEOSCIENCE THROUGH LARGE-SCALE AI WITH SUPERCOMPUTING FOR EARTH OBSERVATION AND REMOTE SENSING

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2. Machine Learning drives Computational Demands
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The background is a dark, abstract composition featuring blurred financial data visualizations. It includes a bar chart with grey bars, a line graph with a red line, and several red circular markers with vertical error bars. Faint numerical values like '4.083' and '0.006' are visible. The overall aesthetic is high-tech and data-driven.

**COMPUTING TECHNOLOGIES HAVE
EVOLVED IN RECENT DECADES**

Moore's Law

Drove the semiconductor industry to cram more and more transistors and logic into the same volume



End of Dennard's Scaling

Limits in how much it is possible to shrink voltage and current without losing predictability



Multi-Core Era

Triggered by the Instruction Level Parallelism (ILP) wall



Amdahl's Law

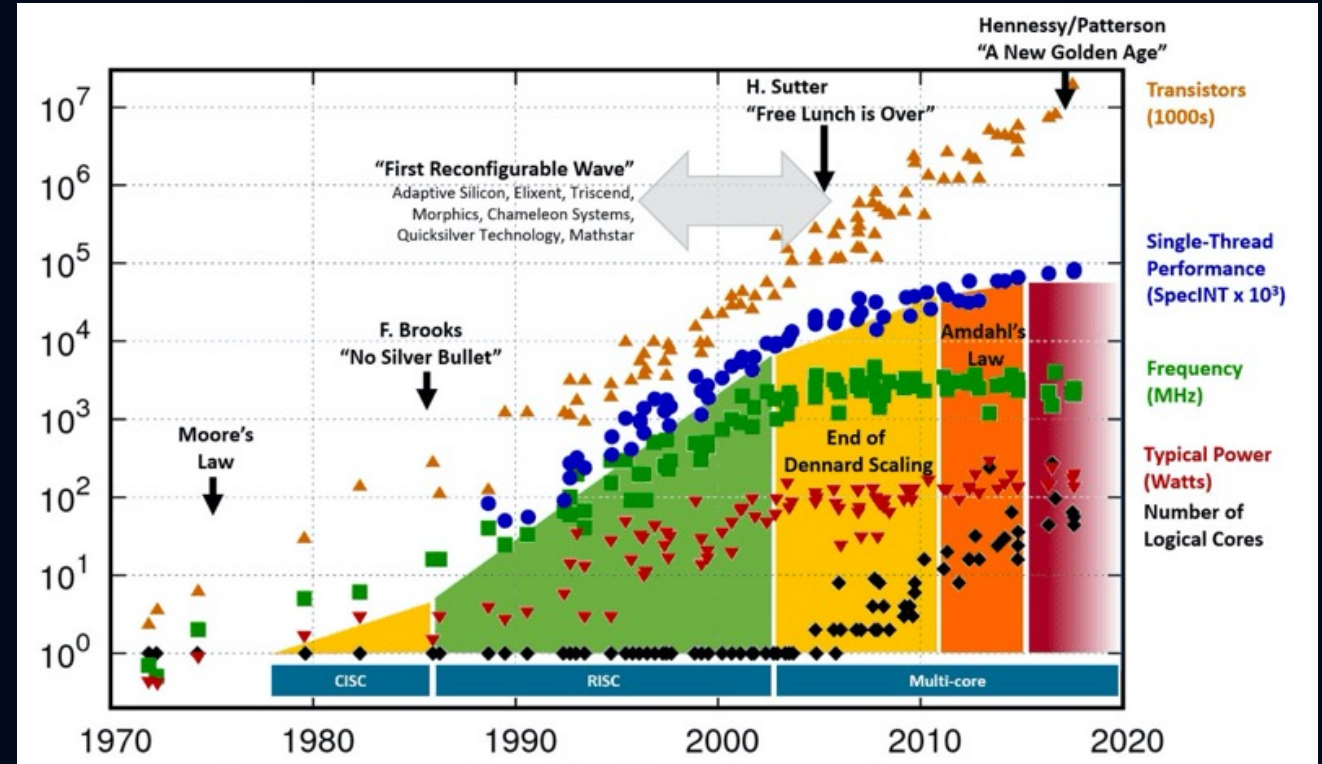
Challenges in terms of energy efficiency, thermal management and parallelizability



New Trends

To obtain the best performance-cost-energy tradeoffs for defined tasks

MICROPROCESSOR TREND DATA



J. L. Hennessy, D. A. Patterson, "A New Golden Age for Computer Architecture", in Communications of the ACM, vol. 62 no. 2, pp. 48-60, 2019, <https://doi.org/10.1145/3282307>

Hennessy and Patterson, Turing Lecture 2018, overlaid over "42 Years of Processors Data" <https://www.karirupp.net/2018/02/42-years-of-microprocessor-trend-data/>; "First Wave" added by Les Wilson, Frank Schirrmeyer Original data up to the year 2010 collected and plotted by M. Horowitz, F. Labonte, O. Shacham, K. Olukotun, L. Hammond, and C. Batten New plot and data collected for 2010-2017 by K. Rupp

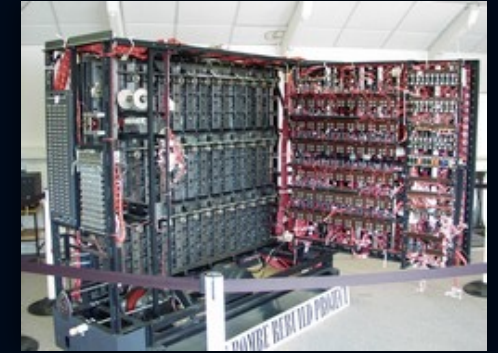
The background is a dark, textured surface with a grid of glowing blue cubes and red lines. The cubes are arranged in a staggered pattern, and the red lines form a complex, intersecting network. The overall effect is a futuristic, high-tech aesthetic.

SUPERCOMPUTING

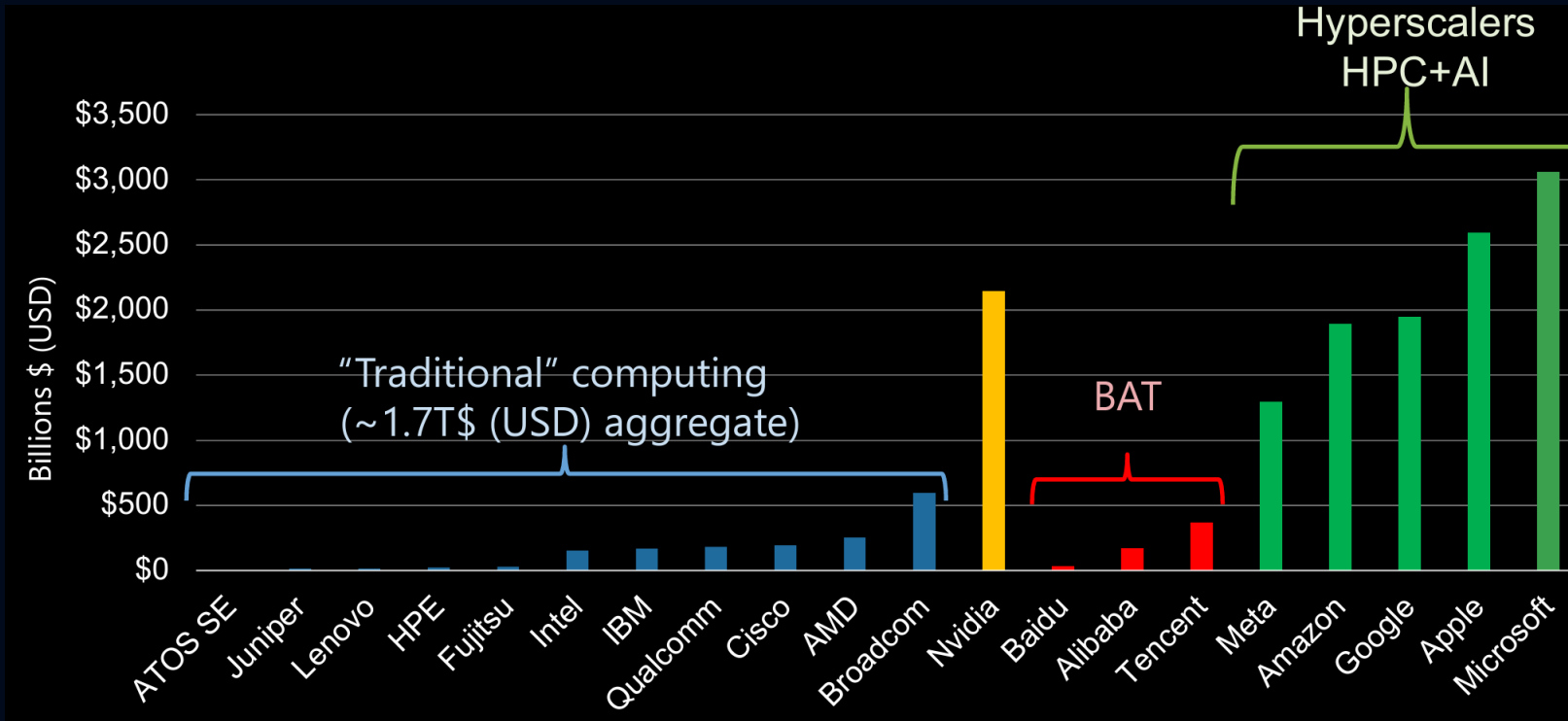
SUPERCOMPUTING EVOLUTION

Architecture paradigms

- **1940 – 1950:** first computers are Supercomputers (specialized, expensive)
- **1960 – 1980:** vector computers dominate HPC,
while general purpose computers come to market at much lower prices
 - Focus: floating operations (linear Algebra)
 - **Special purpose technologies** (fast vector processors, parallel architectures)
 - Only few machines produced → **expensive!**
- **1990 – 2000:** cluster computers are born
 - Integrate general purpose CPUs in HPC → **more economic approach**
 - Many „computers“ connected through fast network
 - Distributed memory → MPI
- **2010 – 2020:** heterogeneous cluster systems
 - CPU + Accelerator technologies (mostly GPUs) → **more FLOPS/Watt**
 - Intel / AMD + NVIDIA / AMD / Intel
- **2020 – today:** very large GPU-based systems in HPC,
*while hyperscalers dominate AI-market, drive GPU design (and price),
and build their own processors for their clouds*



MARKET CAPITALIZATIONS



HPC looks at Cloud Computing

- Availability
- Cost vs price
- Higher level programming

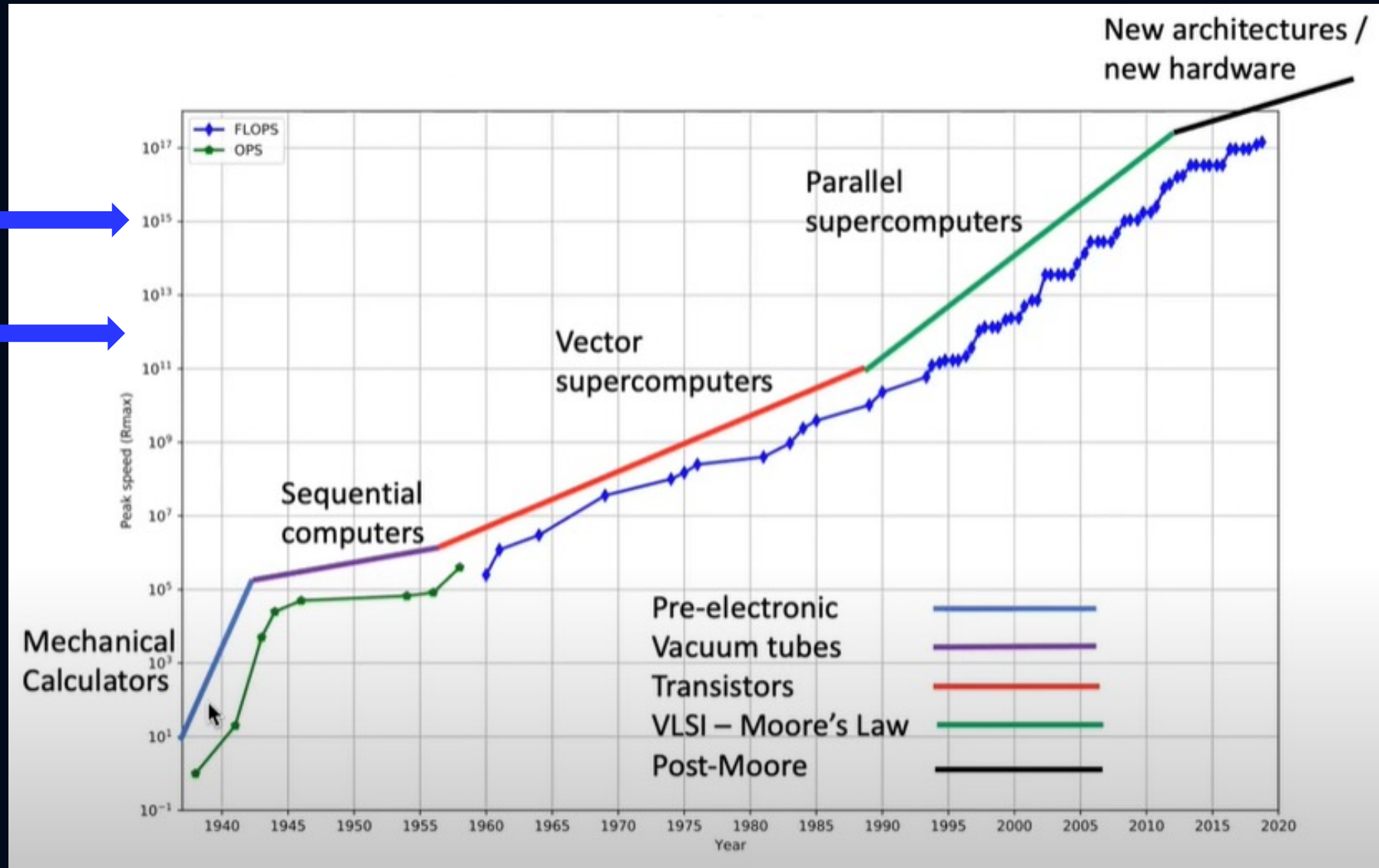
Source: Reed, Gannon, Dongarra

Katherine Yelic, "Beyond Exascale Computing", ISC High Performance 2024

PERFORMANCE OF THE WORLD'S FASTEST SUPERCOMPUTERS

2008
First 1 PFLOP/s computer
(Roadrunner)

1997
First 1 TFLOP/s computer:
(Intel ASCI Red/9152)



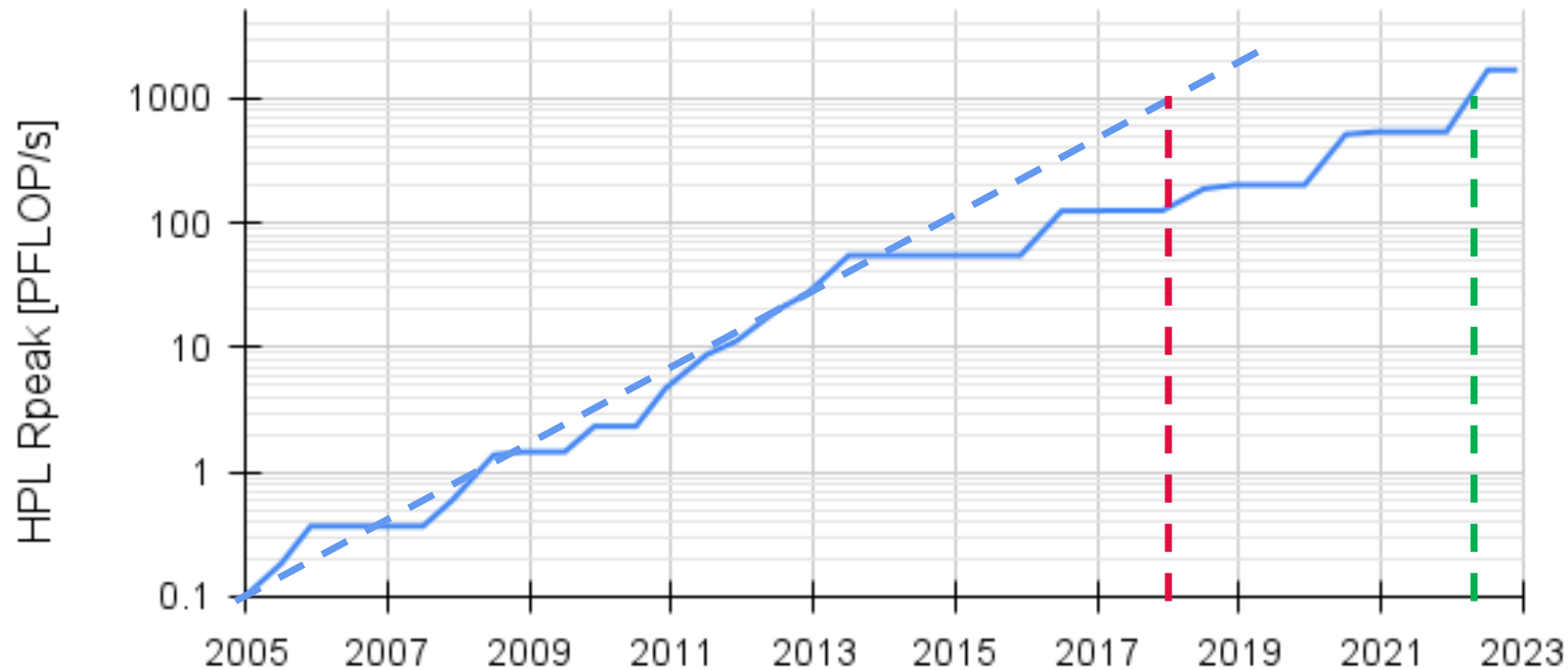
*floating point operations per second (FLOPS, flops or flop/s)



FROM PETASCALE TO EXASCALE COMPUTING

EXASCALE ERA

Top #1: HPL Rpeak [PFLOP/s]



- **1997:** First **1 TFLOP/s** computer:
(*Intel ASCI Red/9152*)
- **2008:** First **1 PFLOP/s** computer: (*Roadrunner*)
- So.... First **1 EFLOP/s** computer: **2018 !!**
 - Well... not really
- It took 4 more years... **2022**

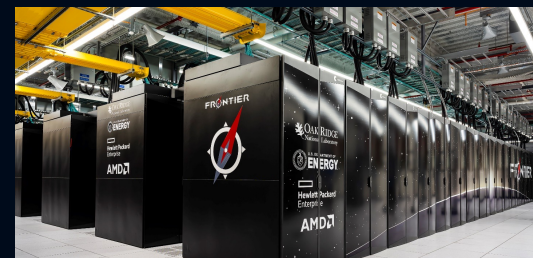
Credit: Estela Suarez (Jülich Supercomputing Centre)

<https://www.top500.org/>

FRONTIER
First Exascale System



<https://www.ornl.gov/news/ornl-celebrates-launch-frontier-worlds-fastest-supercomputer>





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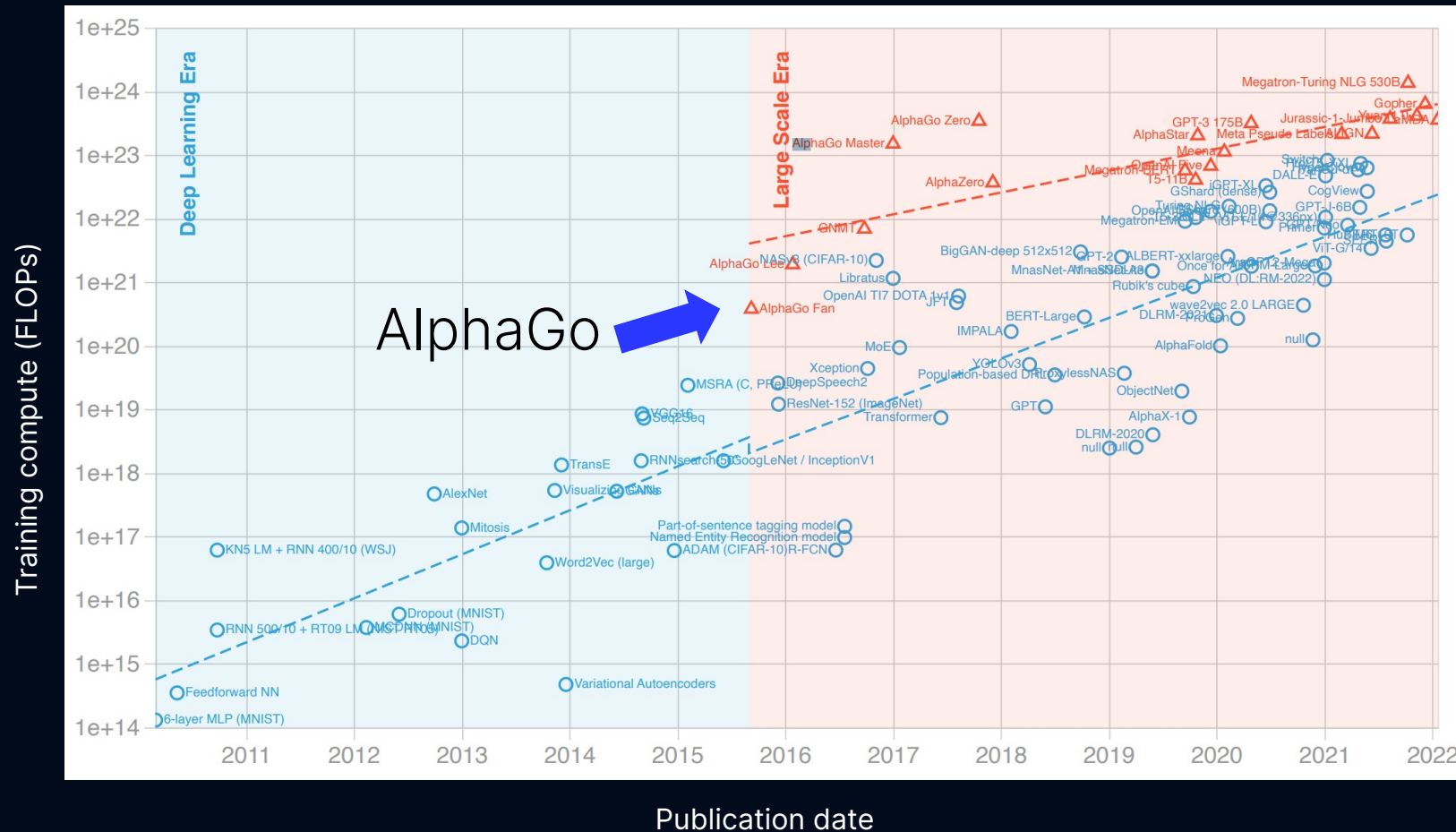
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THE ERA OF LARGE-SCALE DEEP LEARNING



- 2015: a new trend of large-scale models
- Computational capacity significantly higher (e.g., AlphaGo) than other models published in the same year
- OpenAI estimates 3.4-month doubling!

NEW TRENDS IN AI FOUNDATION MODELS

Strong trend towards FMs trained on extensive domain-agnostic datasets, using:

- Unsupervised learning
- Self-supervised representation learning,
- Multimodal learning

Deliver more robust insights and decision-making, and bring advances in:

- Mainstream problems, e.g.: Natural Language Processing (NLP), Computer Vision
- But also to many scientific fields, e.g., Earth observation

Chat GTP-4 Could Pass the Bar Exam

How Our Technology Evolves FAST



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AI chatbot's MBA exam pass poses test for business schools

ChatGPT earned a solid grade and outperformed some humans on a Wharton course

ChatGPT Passes Google Coding Interview for Level 3 Engineer With \$183K Salary

'Amazingly, ChatGPT gets hired at L3 when interviewed for a coding position,' reads a Google document, but ChatGPT itself says it can't replicate human creativity and problem-solving skills.



By Emily Dreifelbis February 1, 2023



AI Passes U.S. Medical Licensing Exam

— Two papers show that large language models, including ChatGPT, can pass the USMLE

by Michael DePeau-Wilson, Enterprise & Investigative Writer, MedPage Today January 19, 2023

CURRENT POPULARITY OF SUPERCOMPUTERS

TPU v4: An Optically Reconfigurable Supercomputer for Machine Learning with Hardware Support for Embeddings

Industrial Product*

Norman P. Jouppi, George Kurian, Sheng Li, Peter Ma, Rahul Nagarajan, Lifeng Nai, Nishant Patil, Suvinay Subramanian, Andy Swing, Brian Towles, Cliff Young, Xiang Zhou, Zongwei Zhou, and David Patterson
Google, Mountain View, CA

FORBES > INNOVATION > SUSTAINABILITY

Tesla's Biggest News At AI Day Was The Dojo Supercomputer, Not The Optimus Robot

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Tech > Science

BABY STEPS Google artificial intelligence supercomputer creates its own 'AI child' that can outperform its human-made rivals

The NASNet system was created by a neural network called AutoML earlier this year

Mark Hodge

Published: 15:22, 5 Dec 2017 | Updated: 11:27, 6 Dec 2017

RESEARCH

Introducing the AI Research SuperCluster — Meta's cutting-edge AI supercomputer for AI research

January 24, 2022

- Big tech companies deploy their AI supercomputers
- Supercomputing now goes far beyond traditional scientific computing, which was driven by large governments
- Major industries building highly specialized supercomputers are taking the lead

N. P. Jouppi, G. Kurian, et al., "TPU v4: An Optically Reconfigurable Supercomputer for Machine Learning with Hardware Support for Embeddings", 2023, <https://doi.org/10.48550/arXiv.2304.01433>

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HOW TO CREATE A FOUNDATION MODEL?

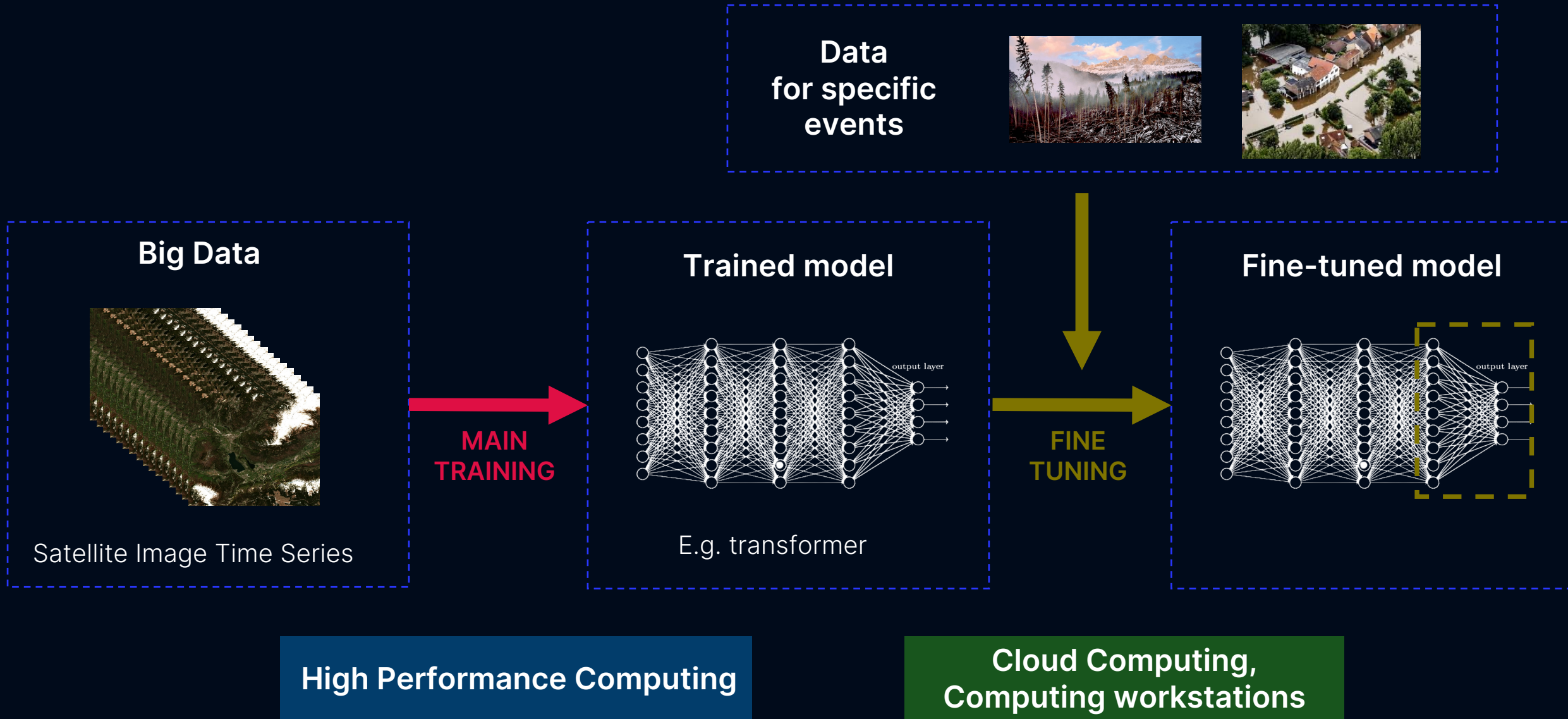
1) Gather data at scale

2) Train foundation model one time and evaluate

3) Fine-tune model for multiple downstream tasks

4) Inference (operational)

HOW TO CREATE A FOUNDATION MODEL?



TIME REQUIRED FOR A FULL TRAINING OF GPT-3 MODEL

175 billion weight parameters



Ranking in November 2020
(TOP500 (7 World, 1 Europe), Green500 (1 in TOP100) TOP10 AI (4))



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- 1× Nvidia Ampere100 \approx 90 years
- 1× Nvidia Hopper100 \approx 15-30 years
- 2,000× Nvidia Ampere100 \approx 16 days
(if scaled well on JUWELS Booster)

Julich Supercomputing Centre, "JUWELS Cluster and Booster: Exascale Pathfinder with Modular Supercomputing Architecture at Julich Supercomputing Centre," Journal of large-scale research facilities, vol. 7, no. A138, 2021.

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Jenia Jitsev, Towards Scalable Deep Learning, Scalable Learning & Multi-Purpose AI Lab, Helmholtz AI, LAION @ JSC

TIME REQUIRED FOR A FULL TRAINING OF GPT-4 MODEL

1,8 Trillion weight parameters



Ranking in November 2020
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- 1× Nvidia Ampere100 \approx 1,200 years
- 1× Nvidia Hopper100 \approx 200-600 years
- 2,000× Nvidia Ampere100 \approx 900 days

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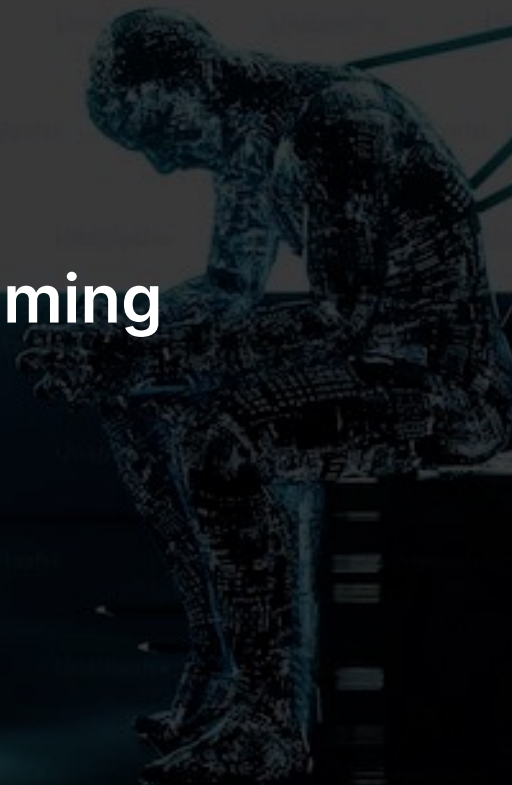
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A large supercomputer system consisting of multiple tall, dark server racks with perforated doors, arranged in a long row in a data center. The racks are illuminated from within, and the background shows the structural elements of the building.

WHAT ACTUALLY IS A SUPERCOMPUTER?

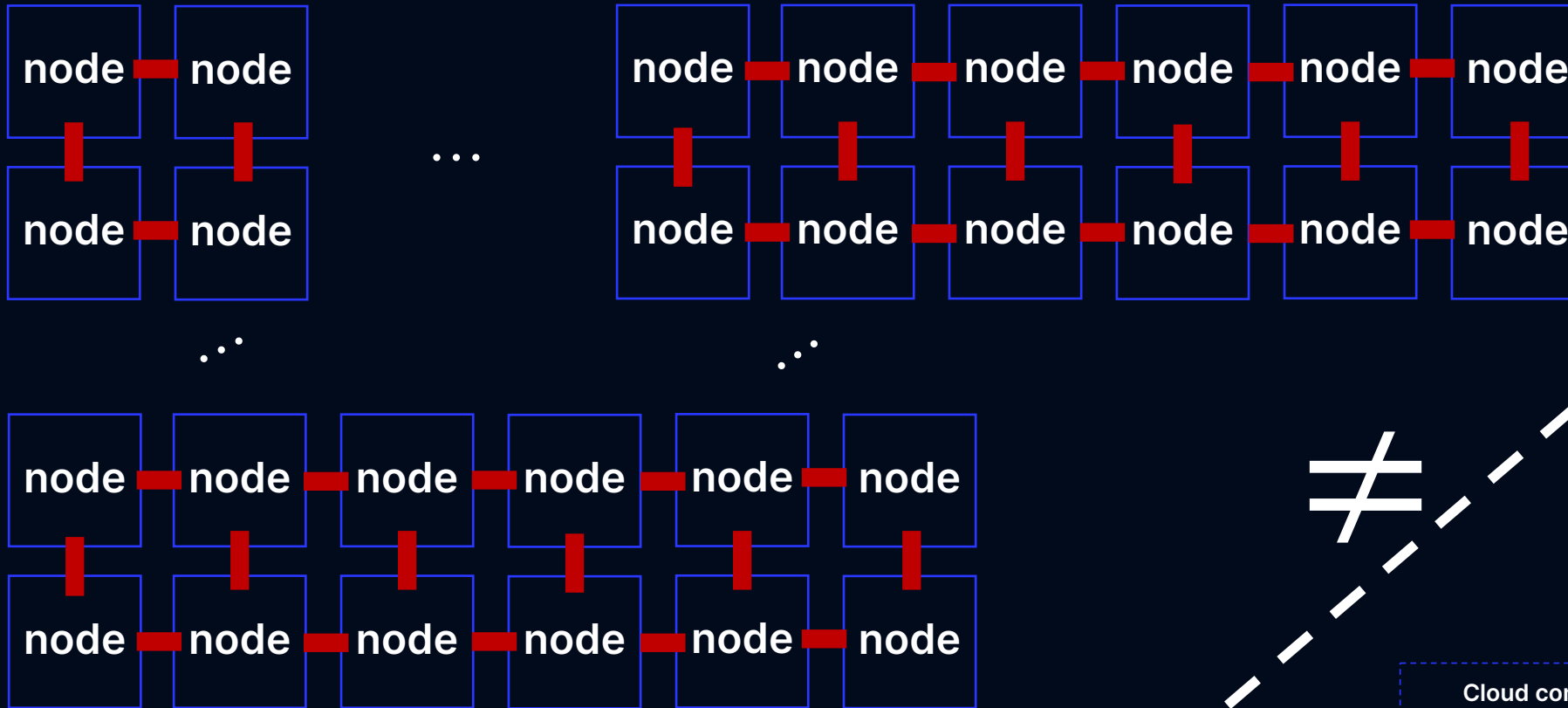
WHY USE PARALLEL COMPUTERS?

- Parallel computers can be the only way to achieve specific computational goals in a given time
- Sequential system is too “slow”
 - Calculation takes days, weeks, months, years, ...
 - Use more than one processor to get calculation faster
- Sequential system is too “small”
 - Data does not fit into the memory
 - Use parallel system to get access to more memory
- You realize you have a parallel system (**multicore**) and you want to make use of its special features

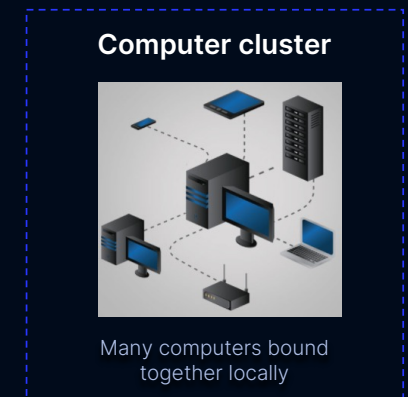
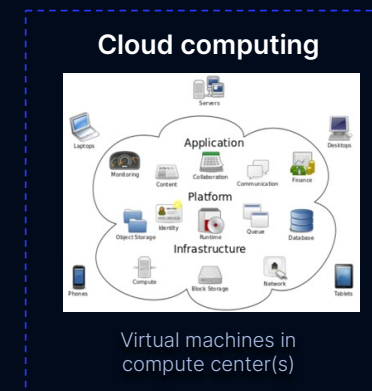
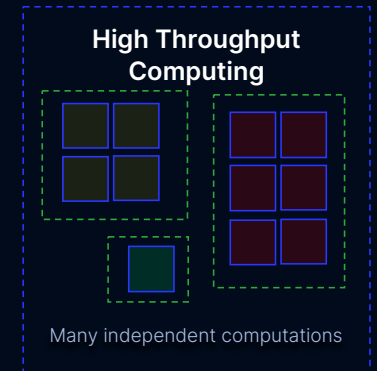


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HIGH-PERFORMANCE COMPUTING SYSTEMS

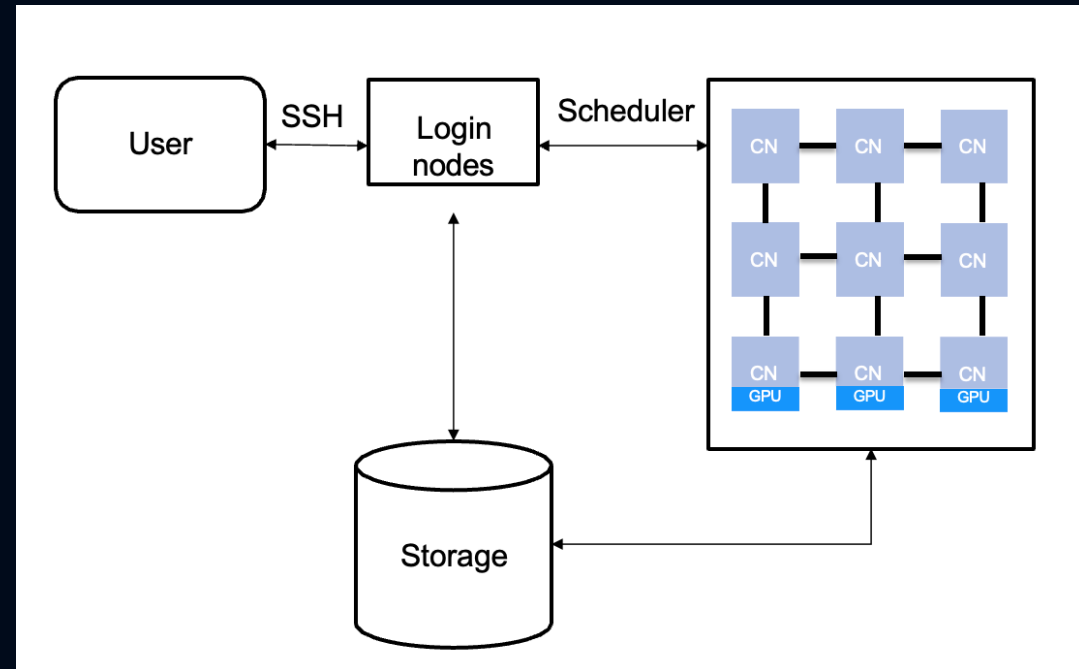


- High number of **compute nodes**
- Vast amounts of memory
- **High-speed interconnects**



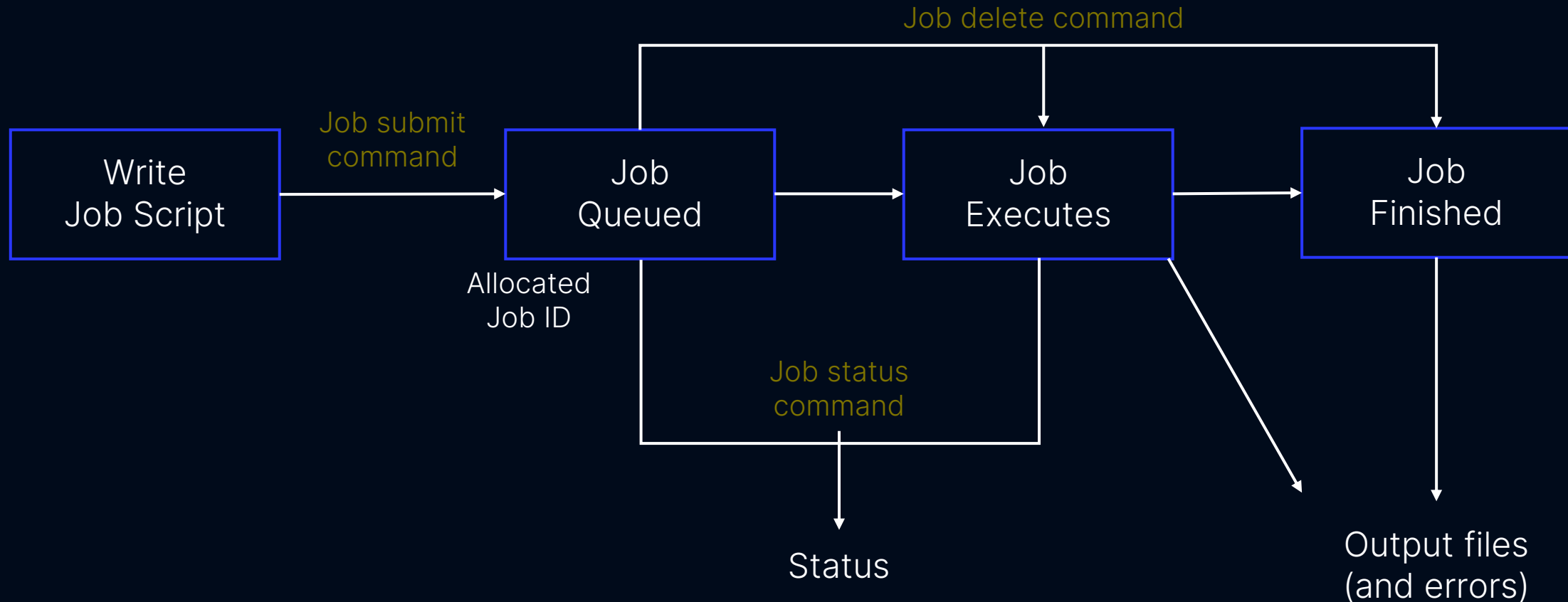
HPC BUILDING BLOCKS

- Hardware
 - Login and compute nodes (CN)
 - Network
 - Storage
- Software
 - Operating System (OS)
 - Compilers
 - Libraries
 - Scheduler

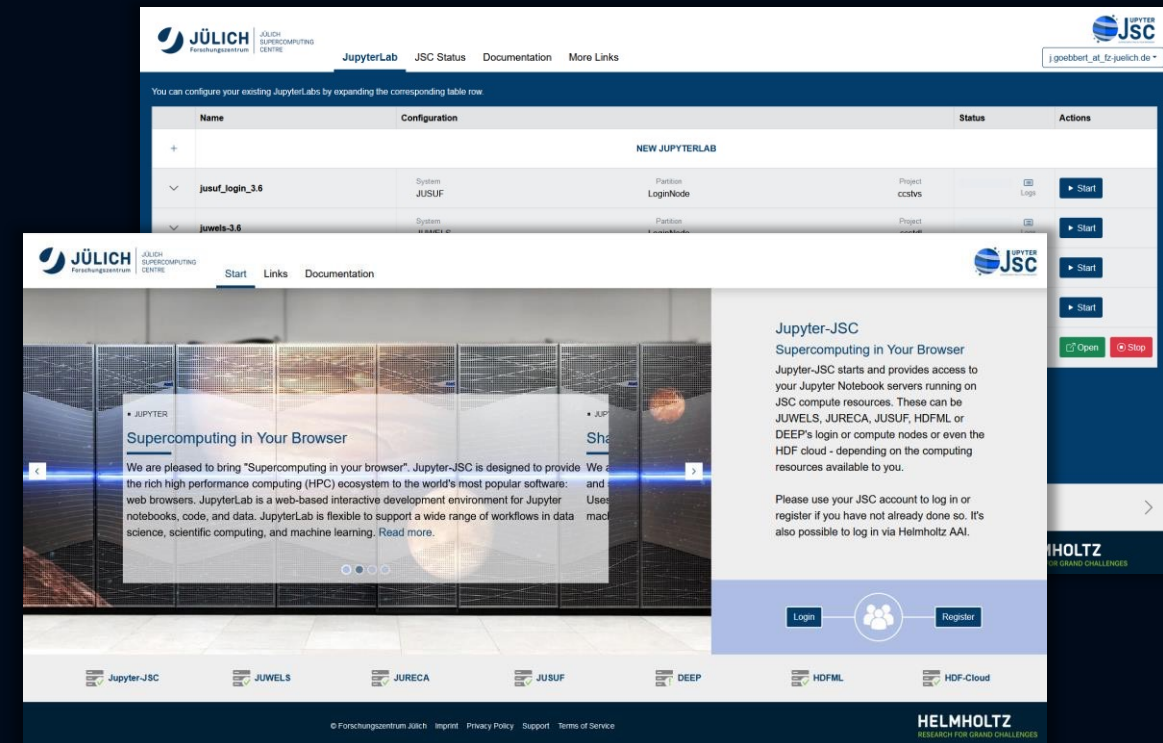
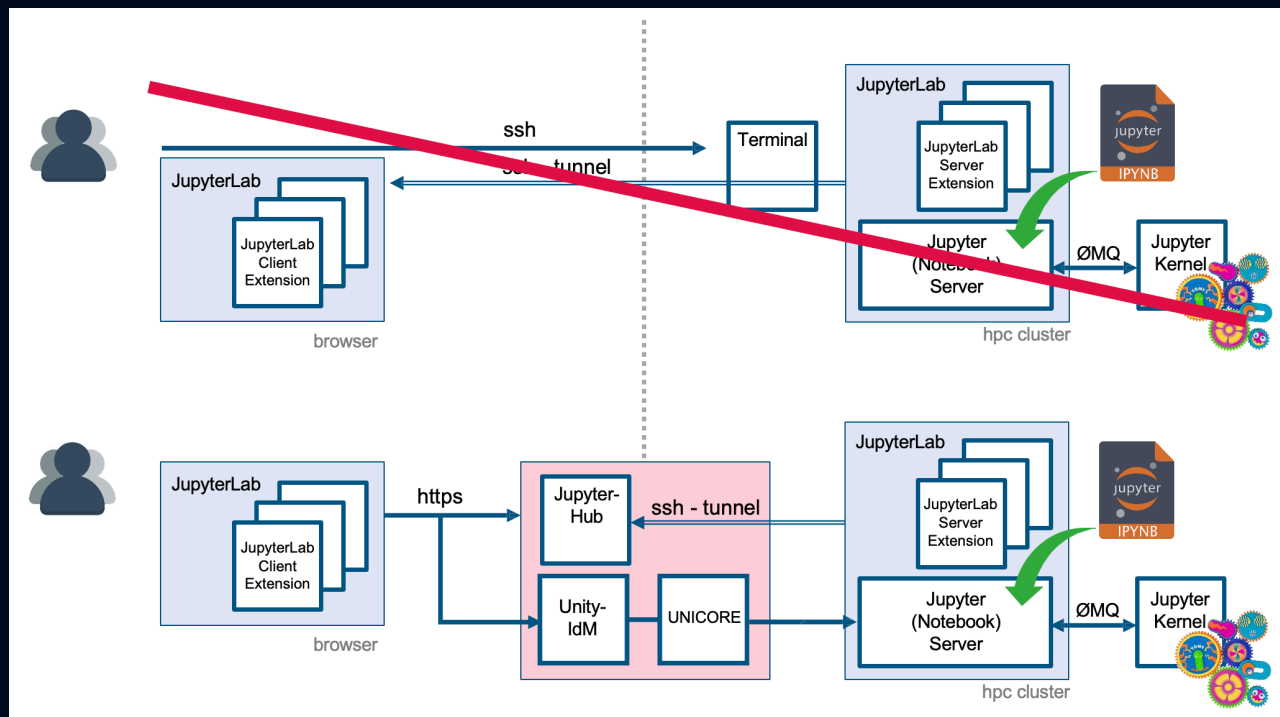


USING THE SUPERCOMPUTER MEANS SUBMITTING A JOB TO A BATCH SYSTEM

Job scheduling according to priorities. The jobs with the highest priorities will be scheduled next.



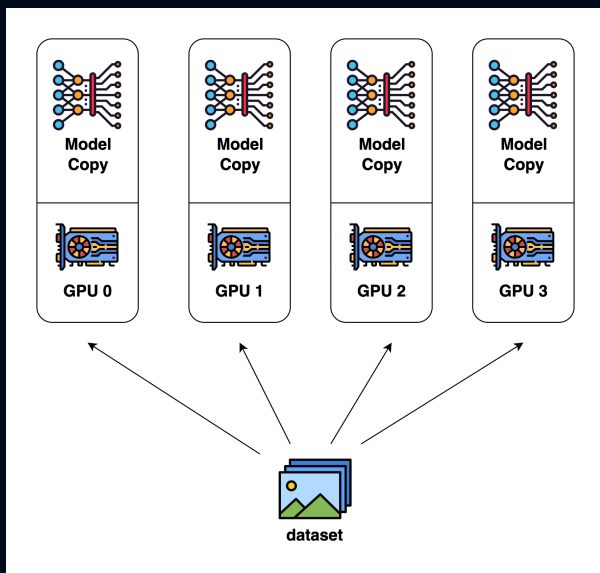
JUPYTER-JSC WEBSERVICE



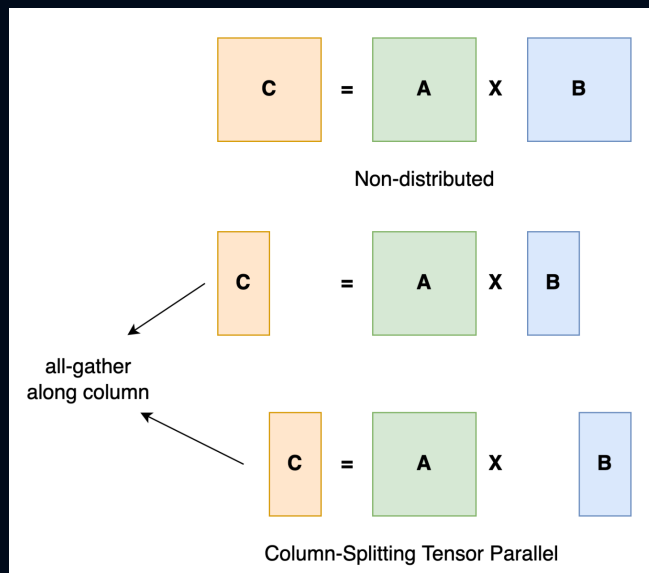
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<https://jupyter.jsc.fz-juelich.de/>

DISTRIBUTED DEEP LEARNING

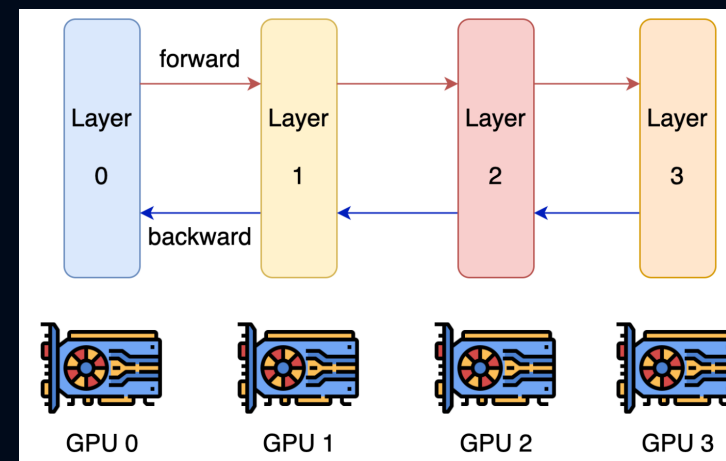
Paradigms of Parallelism



Data Parallel



Model Parallel

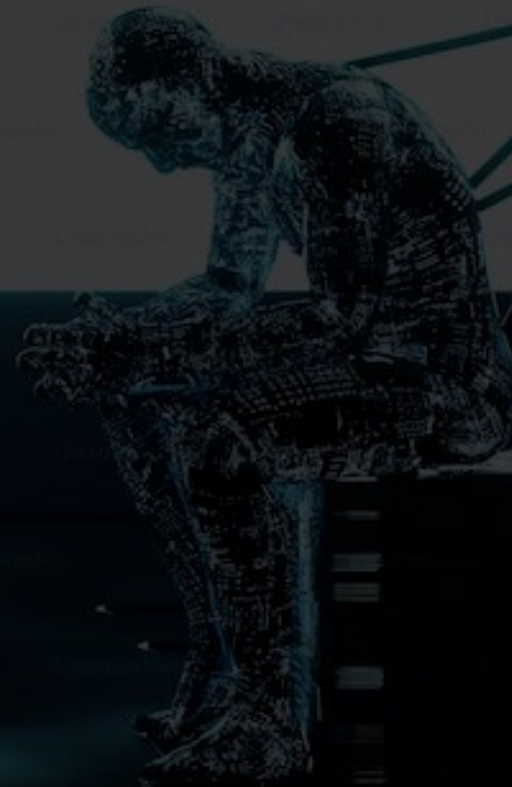


Pipeline Parallel



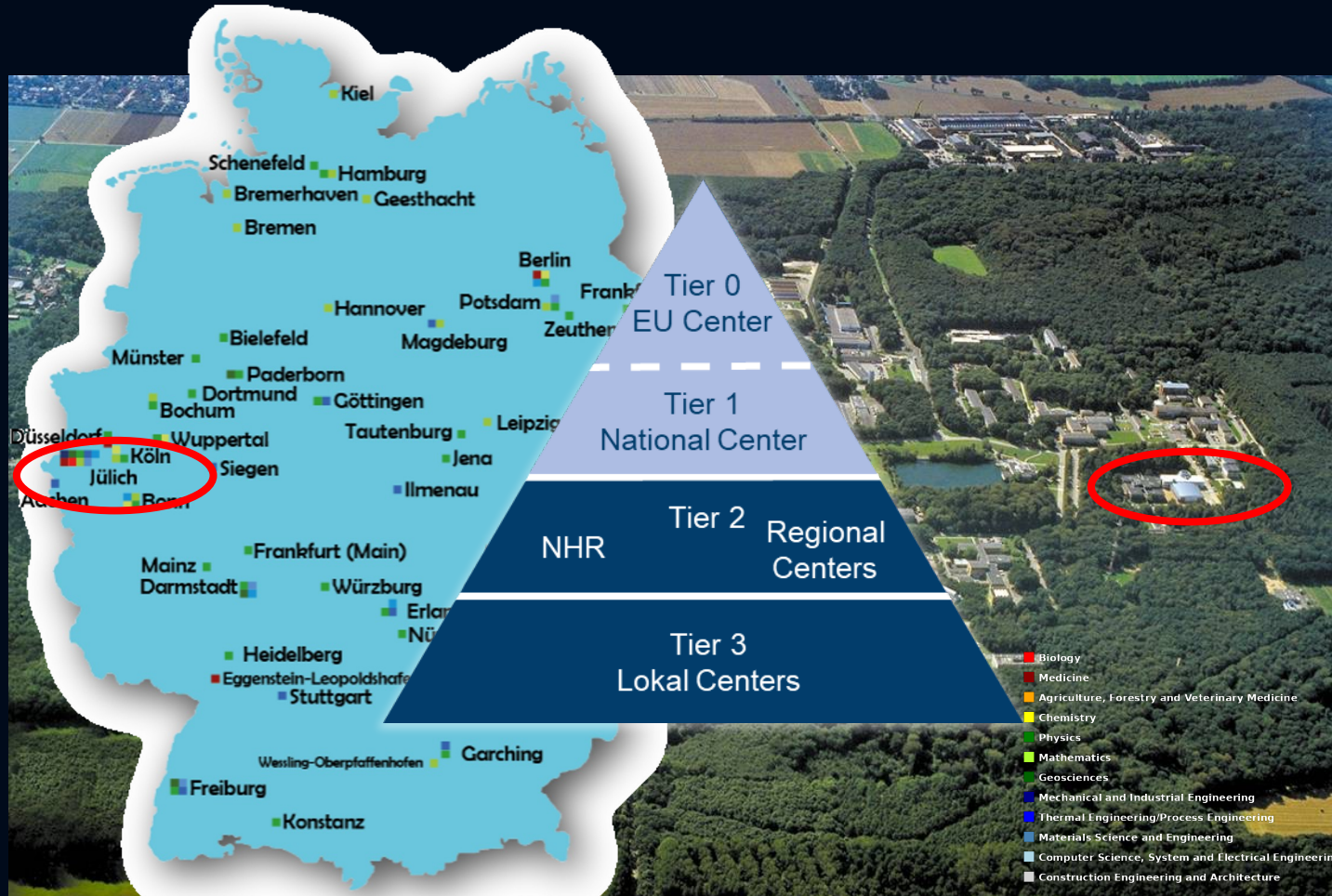
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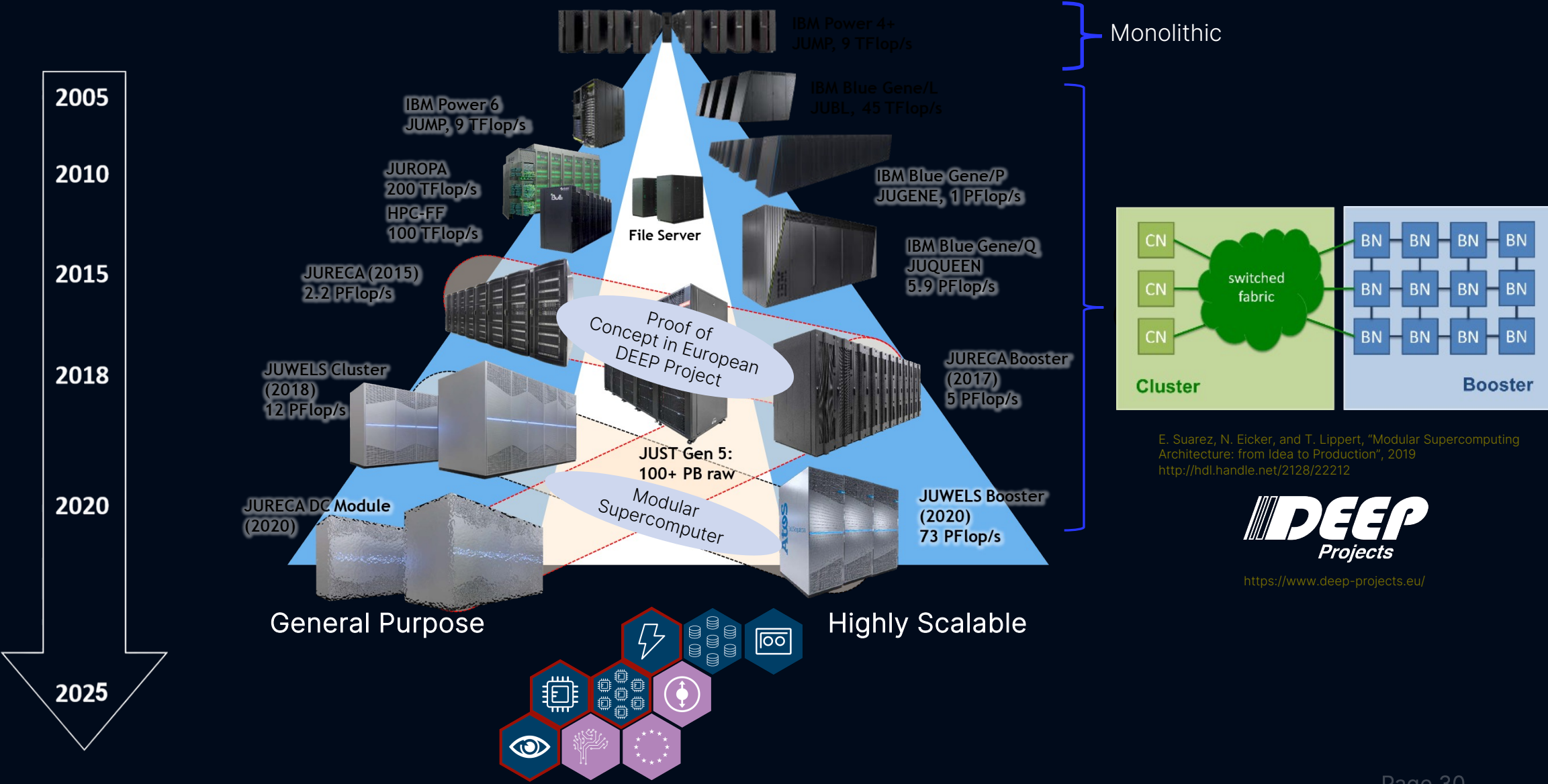


JÜLICH SUPERCOMPUTING CENTRE (JSC)

Multi-system facility - Tier-0/1 HPC resources of the highest performance class



(DUAL) HARDWARE STRATEGY AT JSC





X-WiN
(2 x 100 GBit/s)

PRACE
(MD-VPN)

LOFAR
(8 x 10 GBit/s)

HIFIS (VPN)

Disk storage



155 PByte

Tape libraries



320 PByte

JUWELS Cluster



122,768 cores Intel Skylake
224 NVIDIA V100 GPUs
275 TByte memory
12.27 PFlops

JUWELS Booster



44,928 cores AMD EPYC Rome
3,744 NVIDIA A100 GPUs
629 TByte memory
73.02 PFlops

JURECA-DC



98,304 cores AMD EPYC Rome
768 NVIDIA A100 GPUs
443 TByte memory
18.51 PFlops

JUPITER



1st European Exascale
Supercomputer
(begin of 2025)
> 1 EFlops

Data Centre Network – 200 TBit/s connectivity (bandwidth)

JUSUF

Neuroscience community
& others
26,240 cores AMD EPYC Rome
61 NVIDIA V100 GPUs
1.37 PFlops

QPACE3

Lattice QCD community
43,008 cores
48 TByte
1.8 PFlops

DEEP-EST

Technology prototype
2568 cores, 17.1 TByte,
150 TFlops
91 V100 GPUs, 2.9 TByte,
764 TFlops

HDF-ML

Machine-Learning community
720 cores
60 NVIDIA V100 GPUs
2.9 TByte
468 TFlops

JUMAX

PRACE-3IP PCP Pilot System
64 cores AMD EPYC Naples
Maxeler MPC-X with
8 MAX5 cards

Cluster systems and technology prototypes

JURECA-DC

DC = Data Centric

- Intended for mixed capacity and capability workloads
- Designed with big-data science needs in mind



JURECA-DC, Jülich Supercomputing Centre (JSC), <https://www.fz-juelich.de/en/ias/jsc/systems/supercomputers/jureca>

JURECA-DC CPU NODES

- 576 compute nodes Atos **Atos**
 - 2x 64-core AMD Epyc 7742 Rome CPUs AMD & **AMD**
 - 2x 8 memory channels
 - 2x 256 GB DDR4 @ 3.2 GHz
 - 96 nodes with 2x 512 GB DDR4 @ 3.2 GHz
 - 2x 4 NUMA domains
 - PCIe Gen4 • 1x HDR100 InfiniBand adapter (100Gbps) **NVIDIA**



JURECA-DC GPU NODES

- 192 compute nodes **Atos**
 - 2x 64-core AMD Epyc 7742 Rome CPUs **AMD**
 - 2x 8 memory channels
 - 2x 256 GB DDR4 @ 3.2GHz
 - 96 PCIe Gen4 lanes
 - 512 GB DDR memory
 - 4x Nvidia A100 GPUs **nVIDIA**
 - 9.7 / 19.5 TF/s peak
 - 40 GB HBM2
 - 1.5 TB/s memory performance
 - NVLink3 full mesh
 - 4 links (200GB/s) between GPU pairs
 - PCIe Gen4 x32 (64 GB/s)
- 2x HDR200 InfiniBand adapter (1 per GPU) **nVIDIA**



JURECA-DC LOGIN NODES

- 12 login nodes
 - 2x 64-core AMD Epyc 7742 Rome CPUs
 - 1024 GB DDR4 @ 3.2 GHz
 - 100 GigE external network
 - 2x Nvidia RTX8000 GPUs
 - Different compute capabilities than in compute nodes!
 - Used for:
 - Compile/submit jobs
 - Careful with make -j !
 - Small pre- and post-processing/visualization
 - Shared nodes!

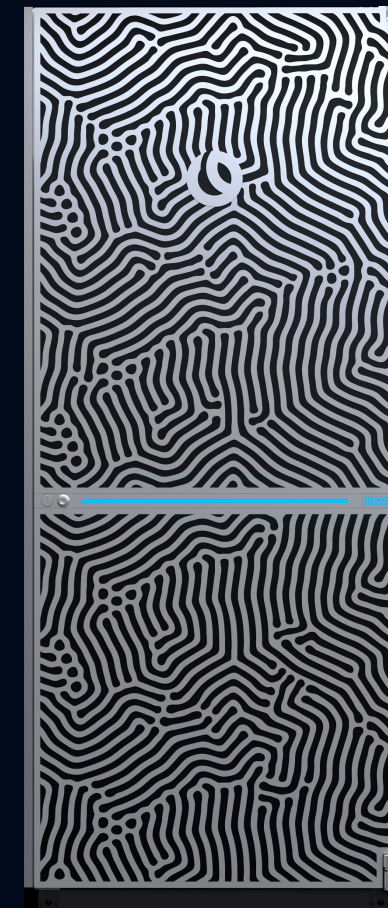


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The Arrival of Exascale in Europe

- JUPITER: EuroHPC JU system hosted at JSC
- Launched with focus on applications
- ~6000 nodes,
24 000 H100 GPUs, 1 728 000 Arm cores, 24 000 NDR200 endpoints
- Landing in Modular Data Center
- Preparation is ongoing:
 - JUREAP
 - GH200 test systems

→ jupiter.fz-juelich.de



Funding Agencies



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Joint Undertaking



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