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# Basic Research Needs for Microelectronics Workshop October 23-25, 2018: *Preliminary findings*

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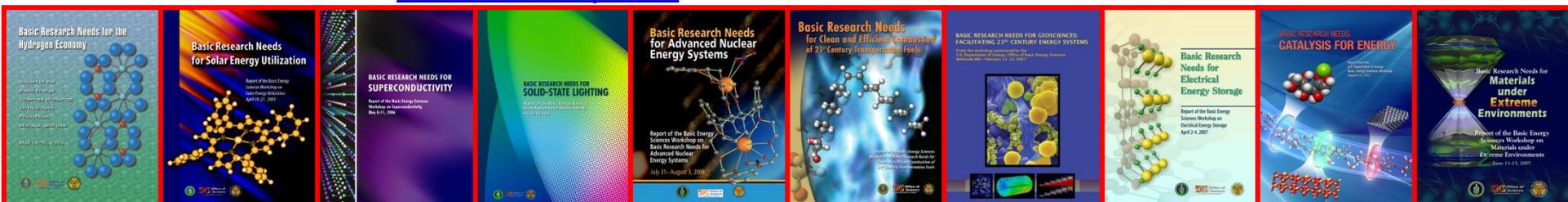


# Basic Research Needs ... Workshops

**21 reports; 14 years; >2,000 participants from academia, industry, and DOE labs**

- BRN to Assure a Secure Energy Future BESAC (2002)
- BRN for Hydrogen Economy (2003)
- BRN for Solar Energy Utilization (2005)
- BRN for Superconductivity (2006)
- BRN for Solid State Lighting (2006)
- BRN for Advanced Nuclear Energy Systems (2006)
- BRN for Geosciences (2007)
- BRN for Clean and Efficient Combustion (2007)
- BRN for Electrical Energy Storage (2007)
- BRN for Catalysis for Energy Applications (2007)
- BRN for Materials under Extreme Environments (2007)
- New Science for Sustainable Energy Future (2008)
- BRN for Carbon Capture (2010)
- Computational Materials Science and Chemistry (2010)
- Science for Energy Technology (2010)
- Controlling Subsurface Fractures and Fluid Flow (2015), Next Gen Tools(2016)
- BRN for Environmental Management, Energy-Water-Nexus (2016)
- BRN for Quantum Materials (2016)
- BRN for Synthesis Science (2016)
- BRN for Next Generation Electrical Energy Storage (2017)
- BRN for Future Nuclear Energy (2017)
- BRN for Catalysis Science to Transform Energy Technologies (2017)
- **BRN for Microelectronics (2018)**

<http://science.energy.gov/bes/community-resources/reports/>



# Basic Research Needs – Use Inspired Basic Research

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- **Transformative, not incremental research directions**
- **Fundamental science challenges to move the technology forward**
- **New techniques and methods**
- **10-30 years out**

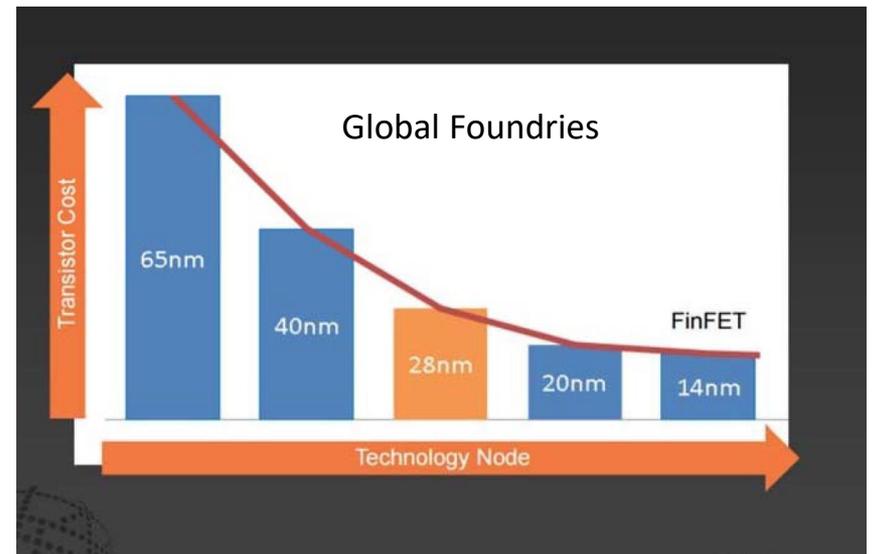
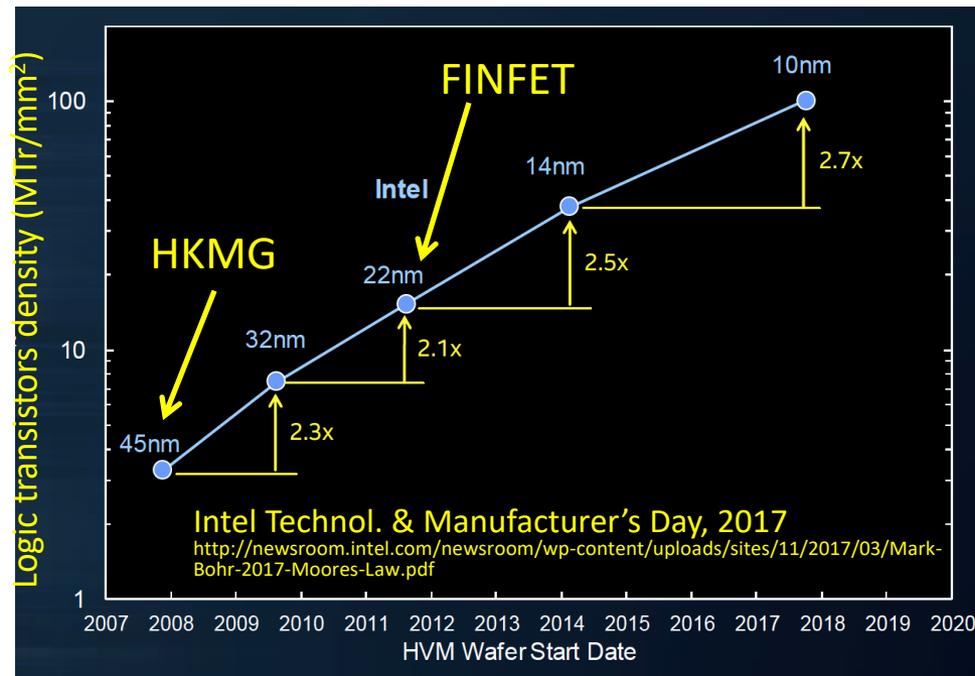


# BRN for Microelectronics Workshop – Motivation

- Semiconductor-based microelectronics are critical to the U.S. economy, scientific advancement, and national security
  - Semiconductor products are currently the third largest class of U.S. exports (behind aircraft and automobiles)
  - U.S. companies account for more than 50% of the world market by revenue
  - Semiconductor industry directly employs ~250,000 people; ~1 million associated jobs
- The decades long success of Moore’s Law was driven by innovation
  - Materials and chemical sciences
  - Computer science
  - Electrical engineering
  - Fabrication technologies
- Additional innovation needed to keep up with dramatic market growth

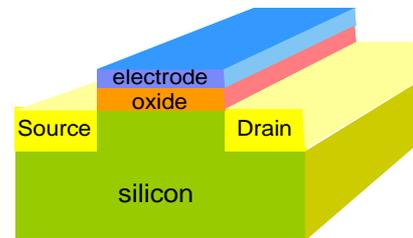


# Motivation: CMOS scaling slowdown

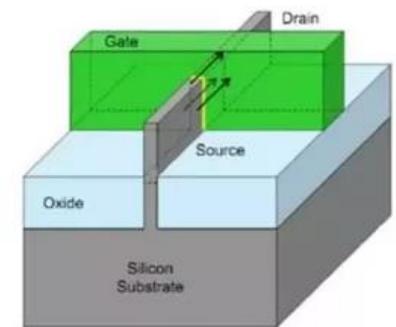


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Uncertainty at 7 nm node  
 complexity and cost  
 Physics gets in way



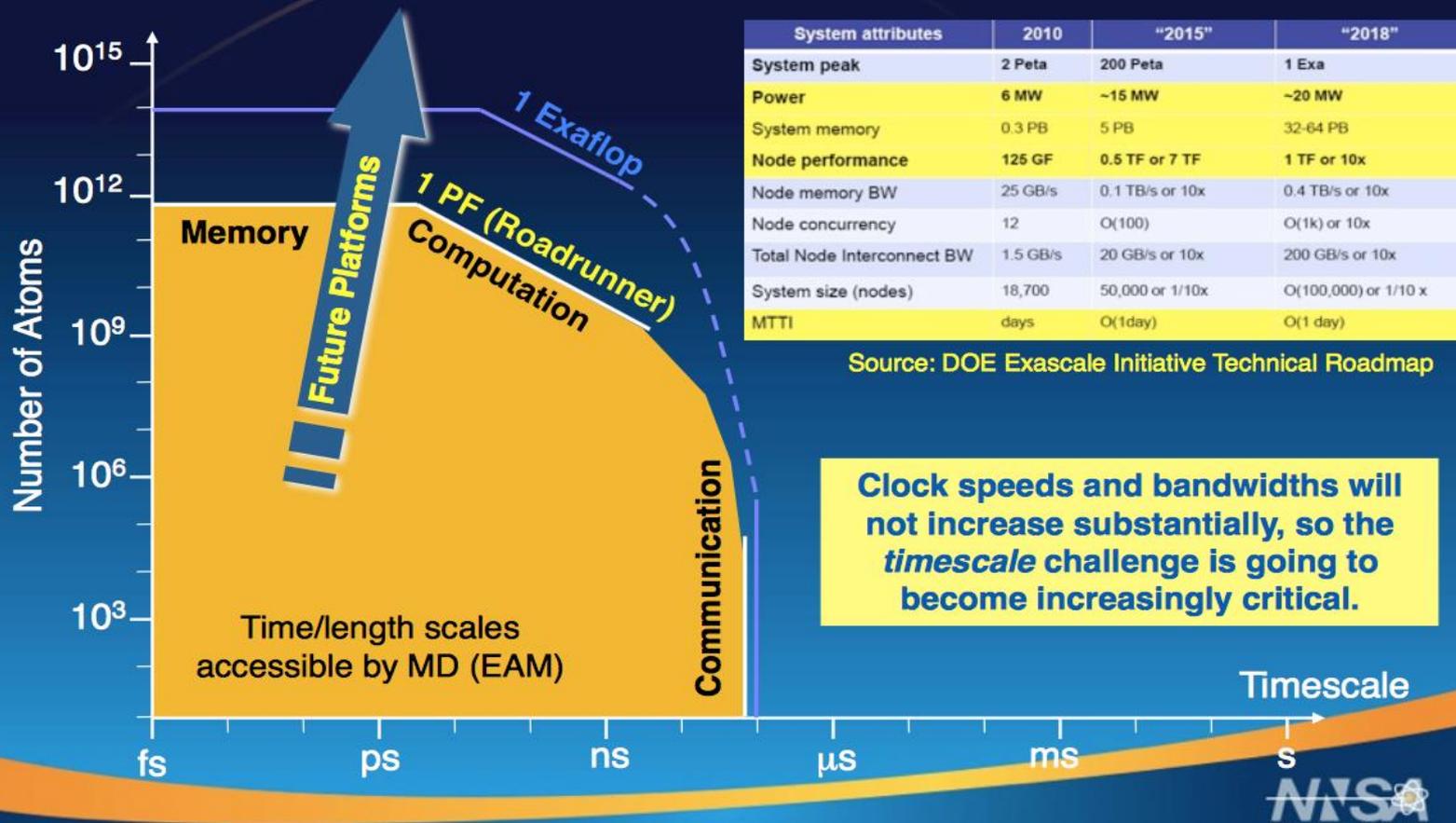
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<https://www.quora.com/What-is-a-FinFET-transistor>

# Impact to computational materials science--example

Current trends will increase the *length* scales accessible by large-scale molecular dynamics simulations



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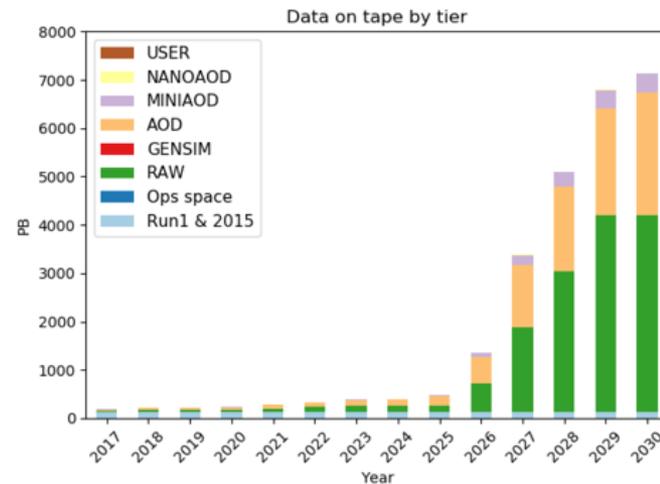
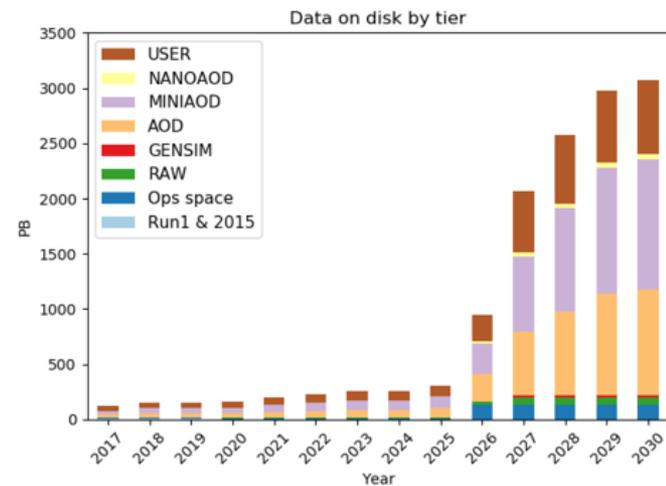
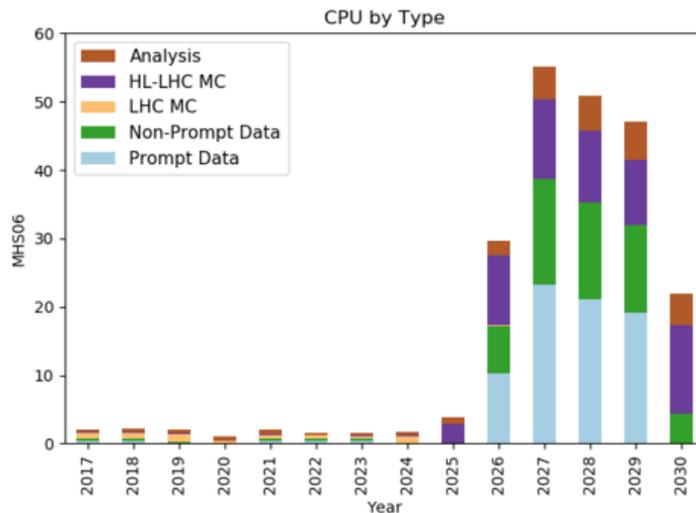
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# Rise of data intensive & edge computing: future Compact Muon Solenoid (CMS) computing needs at Large Hadron Collider (LHC)

## A data storage and movement problem

- Exa-byte scale disk and tape storage, 50x w.r.t. now
- CPU needs 5M cores, 20x w.r.t. now
- transfer of exa-byte-sized data samples across the Atlantic at 250-500 Gbps, (today: 40Gbps allocated by ES Net)



*(From talk by L Bauerdick, Fermilabs, conveyed by S. Habib, ANL)*

# Rise of data intensive & edge computing

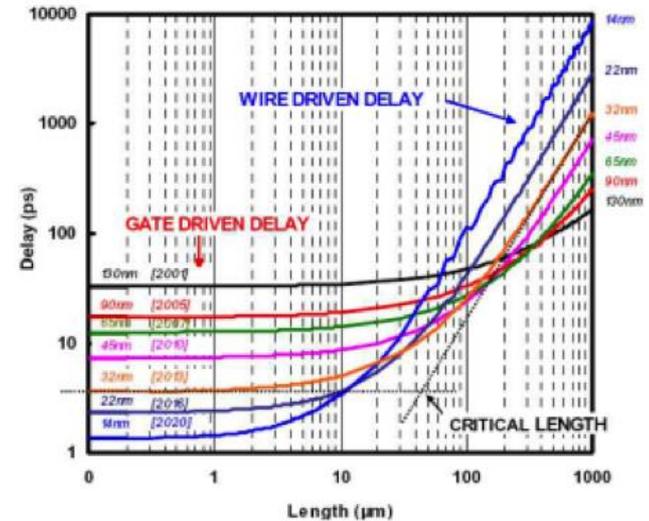
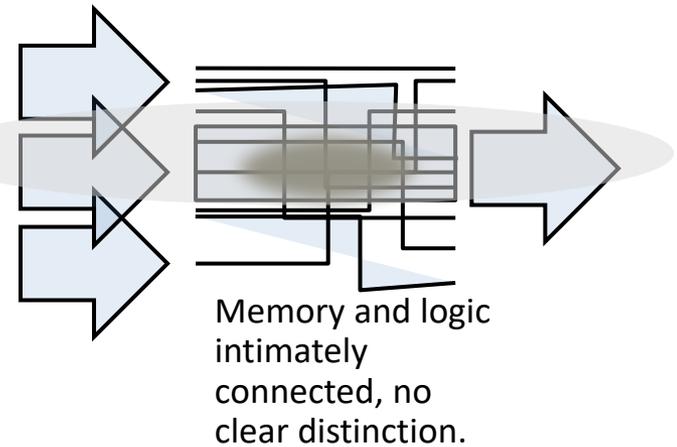
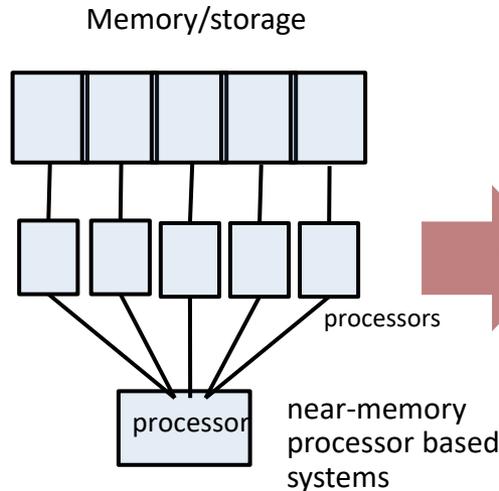
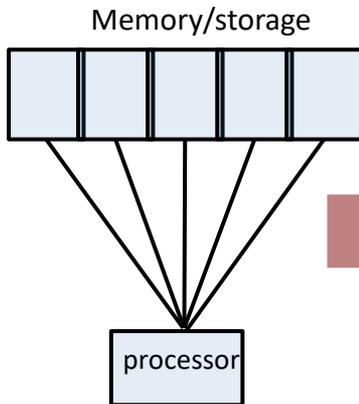
Need for new computing paradigms

Memory bottlenecks

Data transport

Low power computing

*One approach*



Source: M. Sellier, ISQED 2008

# Future Computing Technologies are Important to DOE

## as well as many other Federal Agencies

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- High-performance computing & simulation underpin DOE missions in energy, environment, and national security
  - Historical role of computing in DOE
  - DOE/vendor synergies in deploying computing technologies
- Future computing technologies (e.g., quantum, neuromorphic, probabilistic, etc.) hold promise for next-generation DOE mission applications
  - DOE research and facilities (e.g. HEP experiments, ASCR HPC, BES light sources) will depend on advanced computing and sensing technologies
  - Likely will augment, not replace, conventional supercomputing
  - Could open new avenues for use of computing in science (data analytics, machine learning, artificial intelligence, ...)
- New directions for applied mathematics and computer science are likely to emerge that could enable new science across DOE-SC

# Call To Action

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- Significant challenges as CMOS extends below 5nm
- The end to Moore's Law will impact U.S. industry and competitiveness
- The importance of this issue and its technical complication will require *innovative approaches* to keep the U.S. in a leadership position
- Solving a problem of this scale will require “*whole of government*” approach and a robust *public/private partnership* to apply the best research from *industry, academia and government research facilities* to allow the U.S. to successfully make this technology transition
- DOE, and particularly the Office of Science, will play a significant role in this effort
- DOE-SC was charged with organizing a *Basic Research Needs Workshop* to define the highest priority research directions

# Basic Research Needs for Microelectronics – Charge

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- A thorough assessment of the scientific issues associated with advanced microelectronics technologies for applications relevant to the DOE mission.
- Identify critical scientific challenges, fundamental research opportunities, and priority research directions that require further study as a foundation for advances in microelectronics over the next decade and beyond.
- Particular emphasis on energy-relevant applications, and areas that are aligned with the missions and needs of ASCR, BES, HEP including data management and processing, power electronics, and high performance computing.
- Examine extension of CMOS and beyond CMOS technologies, **beyond exascale technologies. however Quantum Information Science is outside the scope of this workshop.**
- focus on a co-design innovation ecosystem in which materials, chemistries, devices, systems, architectures, and algorithms are researched and developed in a closely integrated fashion.

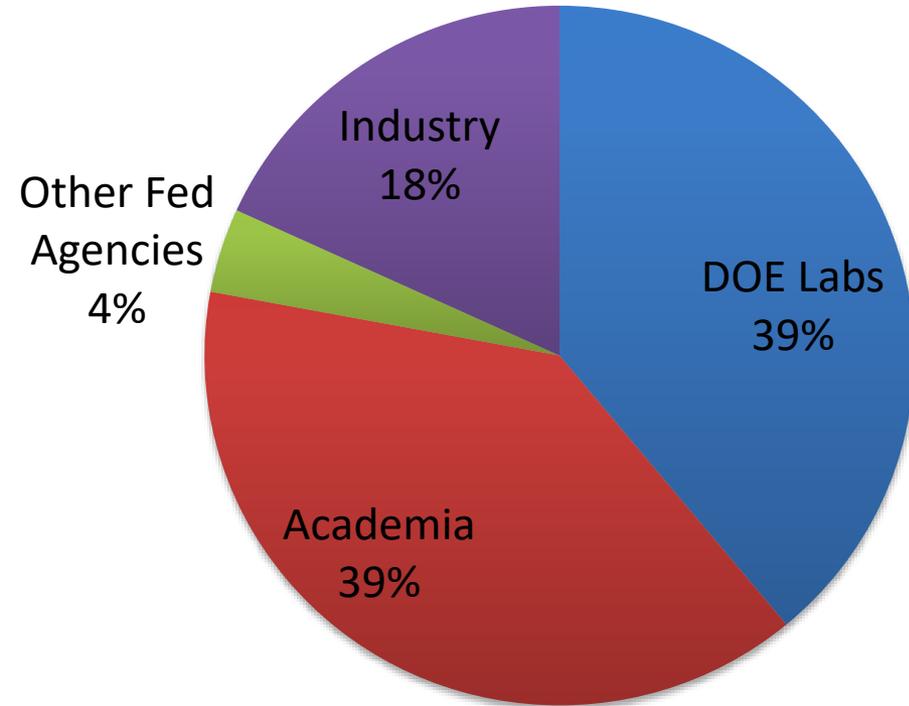
# Innovation Opportunity Space

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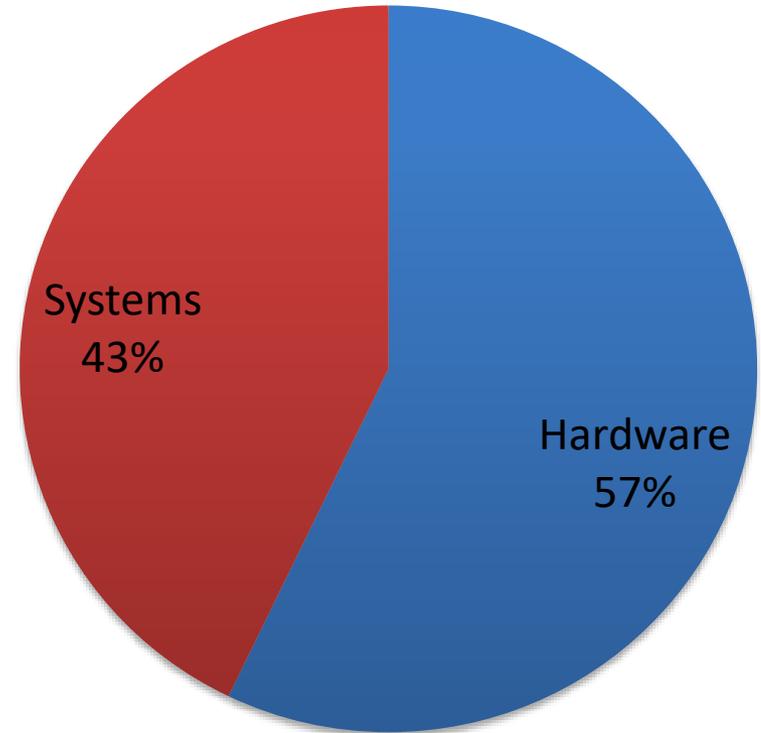
- Materials Research
- Device Physics
- Design and Fabrication
- Computer Engineering: architectures and micro-architectures
- Computer Science & Applied Math
  
- Other Considerations
  - *Outside the box*: Alternative materials, devices, fabrication techniques and architectures are likely to result
  - *Use-inspired science*: Function and application need to be considered at early stages

# Basic Research Needs for Microelectronics Workshop participation

77 panelists, ~70 observers



By affiliation



By expertise

Systems: circuits, micro-architecture, architecture, algorithms, software

Hardware: devices, materials, physics, chemistry

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# PLENARY TALKS TO SET THE SCENE AND PRESENT CHALLENGES

- **Justin Rattner ( Intel, ret)**
- **Mike Witherell ( LBNL)**
- **Bill Chappell ( DARPA)**
- **Tsu-Jae King Liu ( UC Berkeley )**
- **Dushan Boroyevich ( VA Tech )**



# Panels

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Panelists were invited for their expertise – and are assigned to a particular panel that will determine priority research directions in the breakout sessions

## 1) Big data collection, analytics, processing for SC facilities

Leads: Kirsten Kleese van Dam (BNL) and Sayeef Salahuddin (UC Berkeley)

## 2) Co-design for high performance computing beyond exascale

Leads: James Ang (PNNL) and Thomas Conte (Georgia Tech)

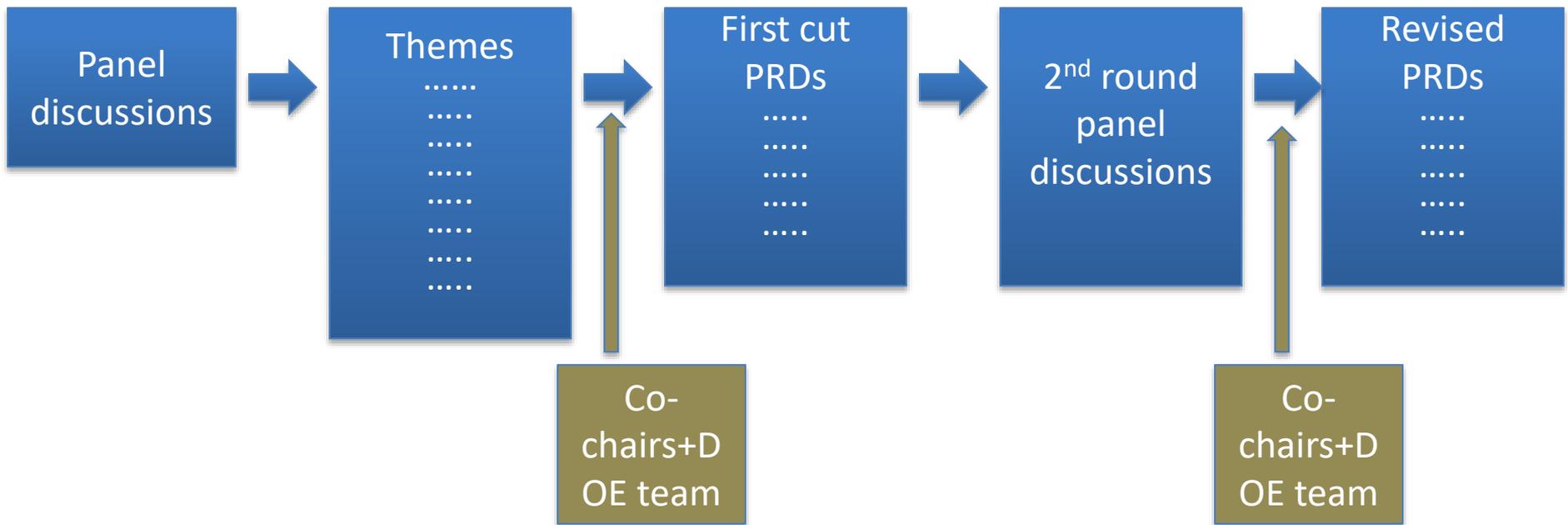
## 3) Power control, conversion and detection

Leads: Debdeep Jena (Cornell U) and Robert Kaplar (SNL)

## 4) Crosscutting themes – *may roam and join other panels*

Leads: Harry Atwater (Caltech) and Rick Stevens (ANL)

Oct 22-25

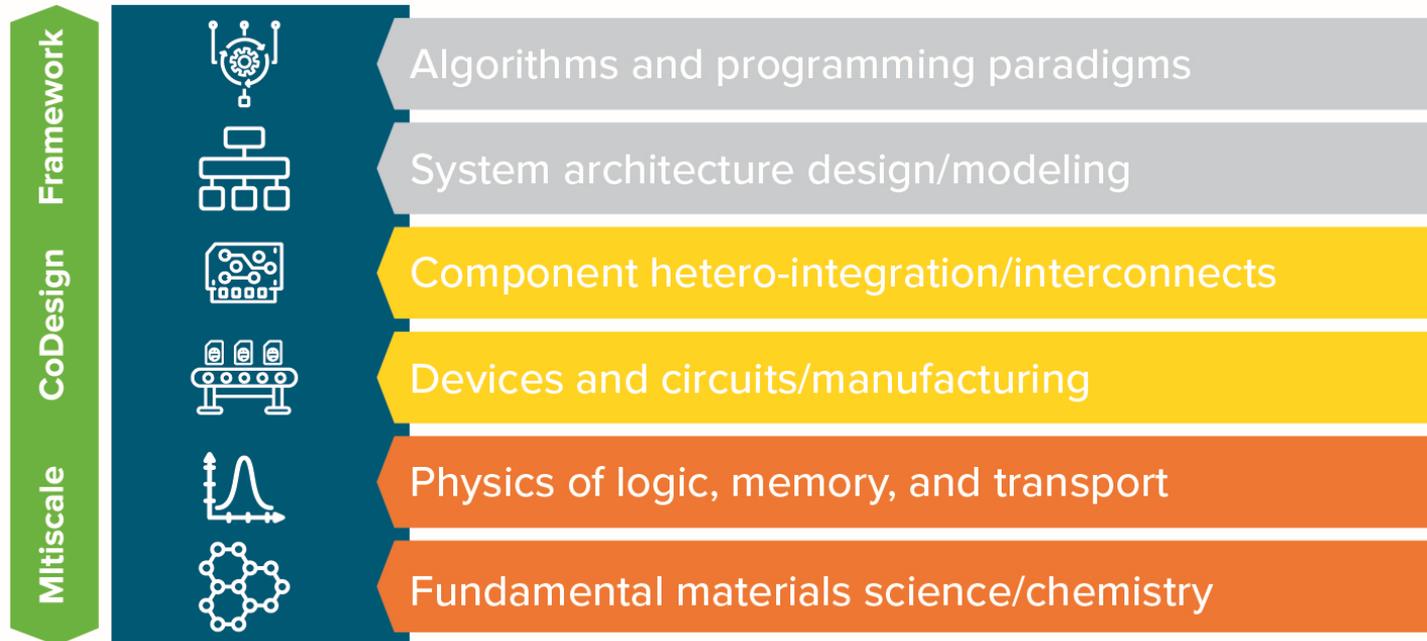


Target dates:

Brochure ready on DOE website: Dec , 2018

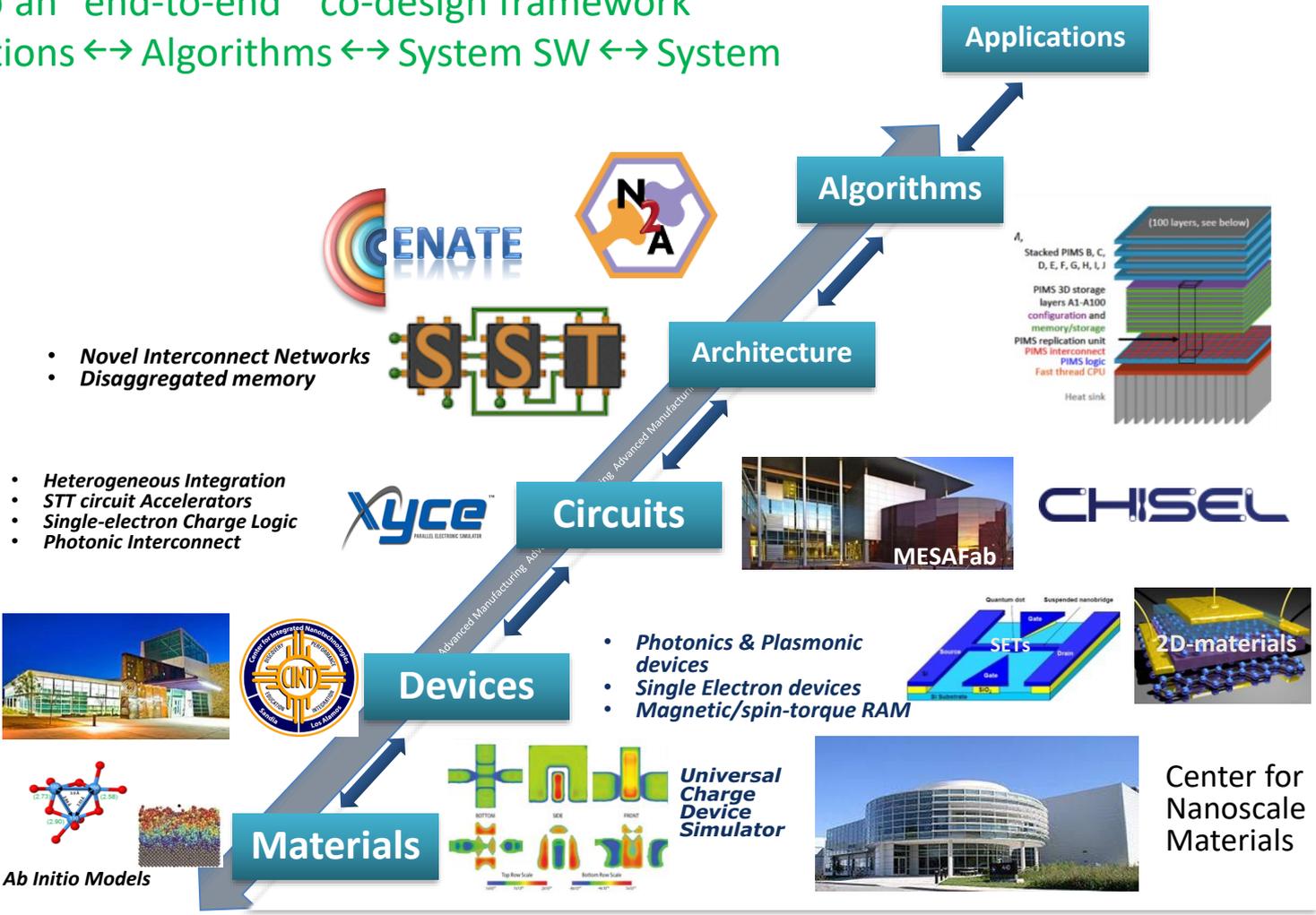
BRN report ready for publication: Feb 2019

# Principles of co-design underpin all five priority research directions (PRDs)



# PRD 1 (DRAFT): Flip the current paradigm: Define innovative materials, device, and architecture requirements driven by applications, algorithms, and software

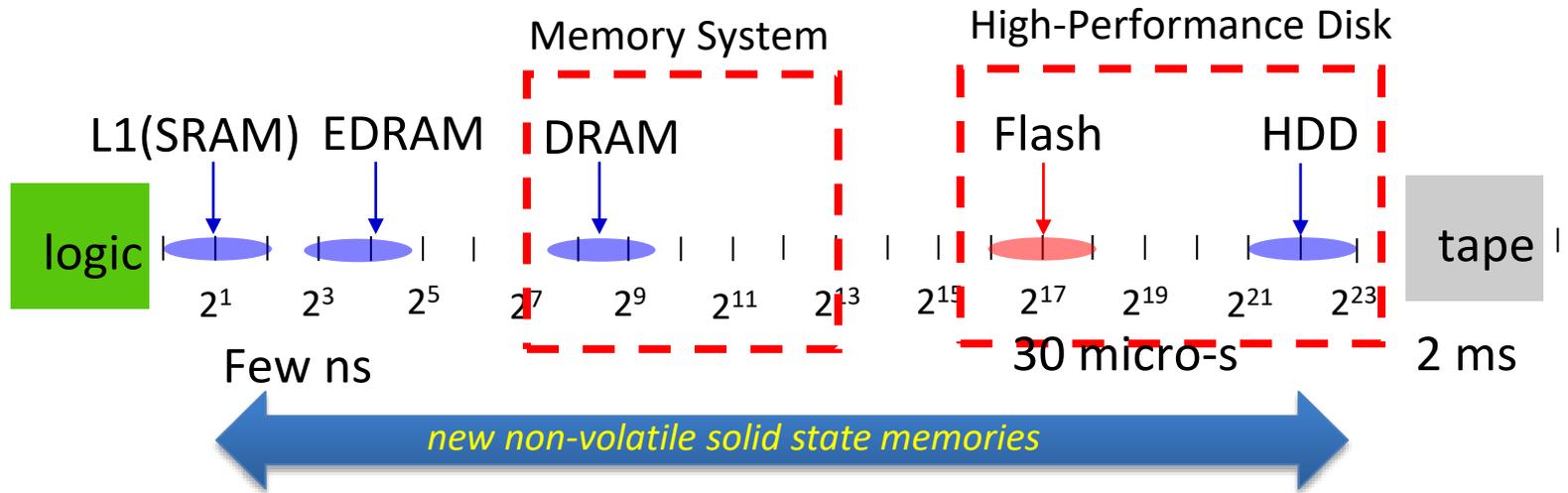
- Develop an “end-to-end” co-design framework
- Applications ↔ Algorithms ↔ System SW ↔ System HW



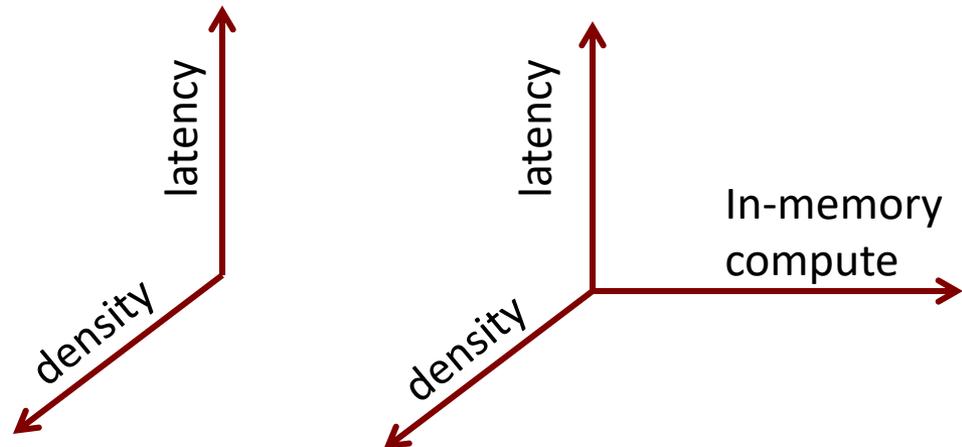
- Novel Interconnect Networks
- Disaggregated memory
- Heterogeneous Integration
- STT circuit Accelerators
- Single-electron Charge Logic
- Photonic Interconnect

# PRD 2 (DRAFT): Revolutionize memory in computing

Typical access latency in processor cycles (@ 4 GHz)



Density  
 Latency  
 Bandwidth  
 In-memory computing

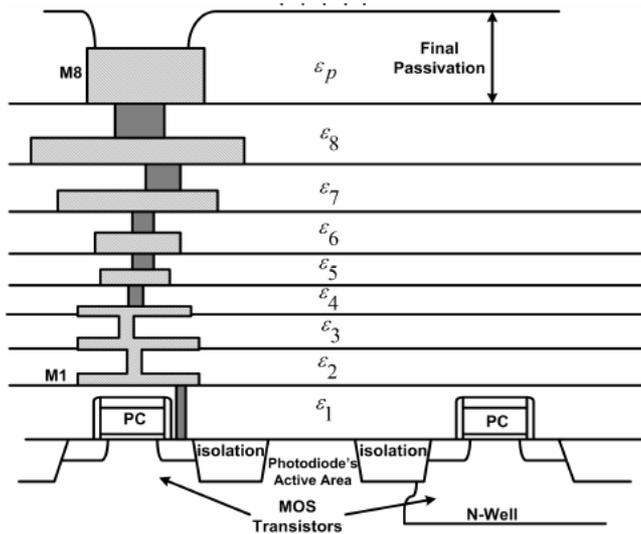


# PRD 3 (DRAFT): Reimagine information flow unconstrained by interconnects

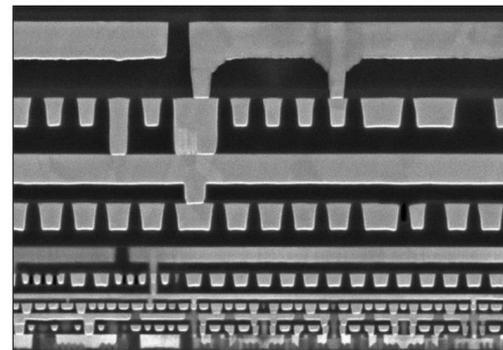
Data movement is growing exponentially

pJ/bit not ramping down significantly

Worthy Goal: Tbyte/sec-mm channel capacity for <100 fJ/bit



[https://www.researchgate.net/figure/General-structure-of-130-nm-technology-with-Back-end-of-line-metallization-and-dielectric\\_fig11\\_224918168](https://www.researchgate.net/figure/General-structure-of-130-nm-technology-with-Back-end-of-line-metallization-and-dielectric_fig11_224918168)



<https://images.anandtech.com/doci/8367/14nmInterconnect.jpg>

# PRD 4 (DRAFT): Redefine computing by leveraging unexploited physical phenomena

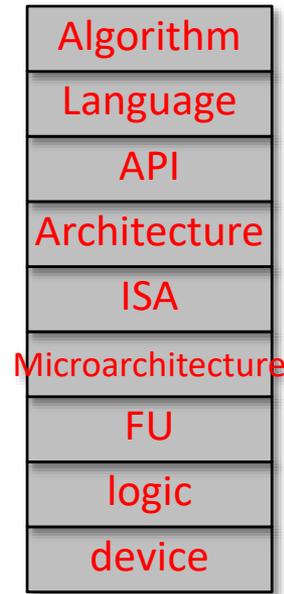
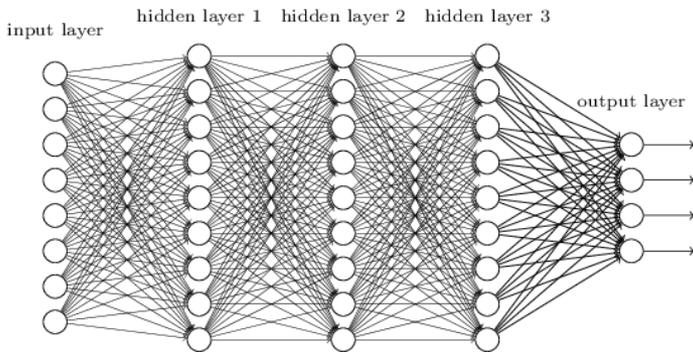
Finding and understanding physical phenomena that can express computation

New ways of reasoning about computation

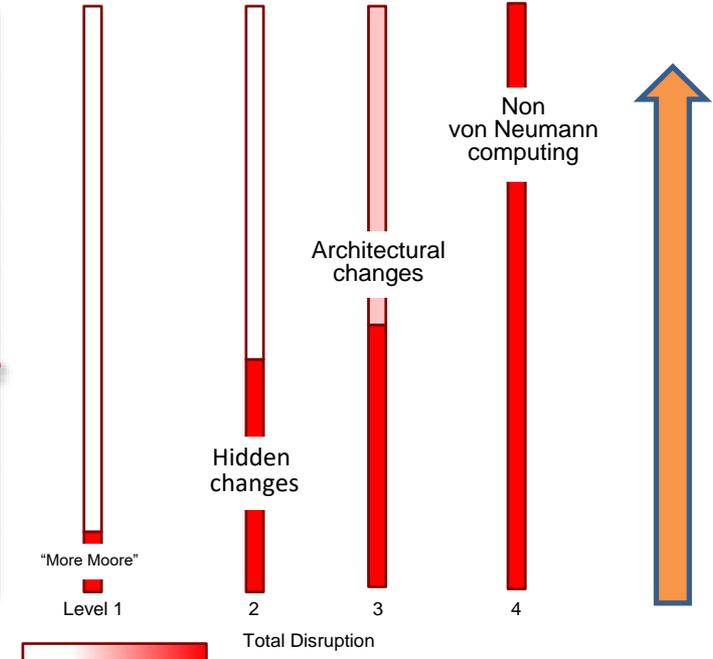
Leveraging physical processes to compute (“analogous computing”)

NvN Optimizers, both continuous and integer

Artificial Neural Networks



LEGEND: No Disruption



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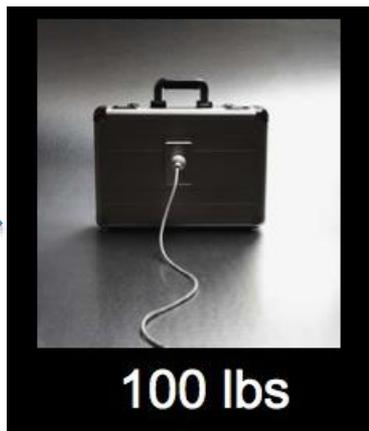
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# PRD 5 (DRAFT): Reinvent the electricity grid through new materials, devices, and architectures

## Substation in a Suitcase



8000 lbs, 60 Hz Distribution Transformer



*Silicon Carbide IGBT;  
15 kV, 100 A;  
50 kHz from Cree Inc.*

