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Course number: CSC.T433  
School of Computing,  
Graduate major in Computer Science

# Advanced Computer Architecture

## 1. Design and Analysis of Computer Systems

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# Syllabus (1/3)



## Course description and aims

This course aims to provide students with cutting-edge technologies and future trends of computer architecture with focusing on a microprocessor which plays an important role in the downsizing, personalization, and improvement of performance and power consumption of computer systems such as PCs, personal mobile devices, and embedded systems.

In this course, first, along with important concepts of computer architecture, students will learn from instruction set architectures to mechanisms for extracting instruction level parallelism used in out-of-order superscalar processors. After that, students will learn mechanisms for exploiting thread level parallelism adopted in multi-processors and multi-core processors.

## Student learning outcomes

By taking this course, students will learn:

- (1) Basic principles for building today's high-performance computer systems
- (2) Mechanisms for extracting instruction level parallelism used in high-performance microprocessors
- (3) Methods for exploiting thread level parallelism adopted in multi-processors and multi-core processors
- (4) New inter-relationship between software and hardware

## Keywords

Computer Architecture, Processor, Embedded System, multi-processor, multi-core processor

## Competencies that will be developed

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specialist skills	Intercultural skills	Communication skills	Critical thinking skills	Practical and/or problem-solving skills
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## Class flow

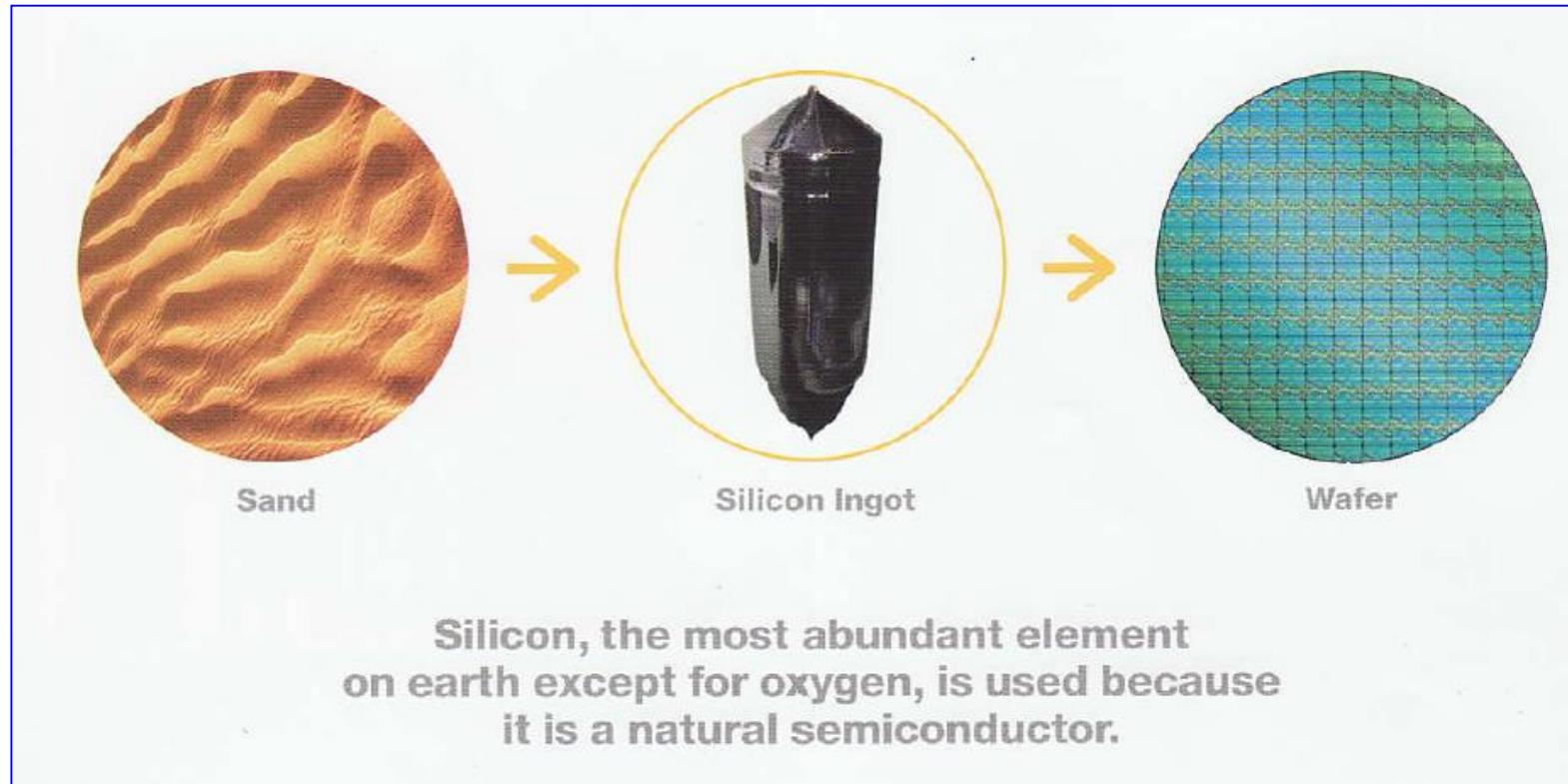
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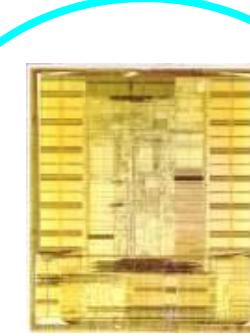
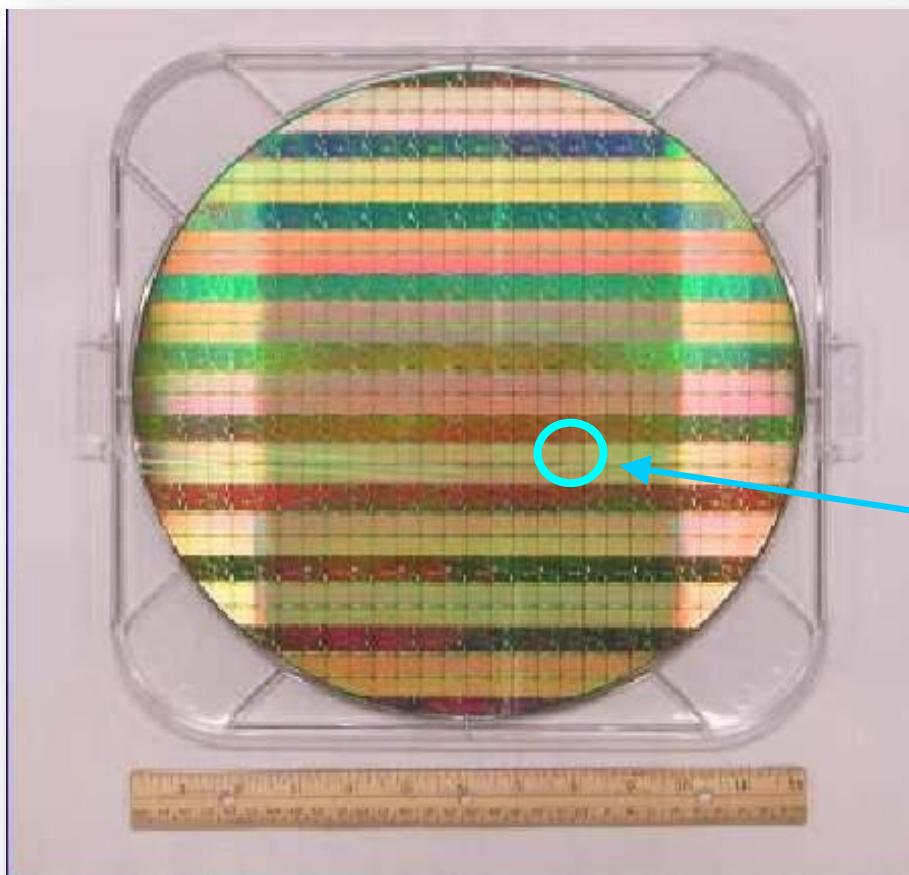
# Syllabus (2/3)

<b>Textbook(s)</b>
John L. Hennessy, David A. Patterson. Computer Architecture A Quantitative Approach, Fifth Edition. Morgan Kaufmann Publishers Inc., 2012
<b>Reference books, course materials, etc.</b>
William James Dally, Brian Patrick Towles. Principles and Practices of Interconnection Networks. Morgan Kaufman Publishers Inc., 2004.
<b>Assessment criteria and methods</b>
Students will be assessed on their understanding of instruction level parallelism, multi-processor, and thread level parallelism. Students' course scores are based on the mid-term report and assignments (40%), and the final report (60%).
<b>Related courses</b>
CSC.T363 : Computer Architecture CSC.T341 : Computer Logic Design
<b>Prerequisites (i.e., required knowledge, skills, courses, etc.)</b>
No prerequisites are necessary, but enrollment in the related courses is desirable.
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Kise Kenji: <a href="mailto:kise[at]c.titech.ac.jp">kise[at]c.titech.ac.jp</a>
<b>Office hours</b>
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# Processor fabrication: **ingot** and **wafer**



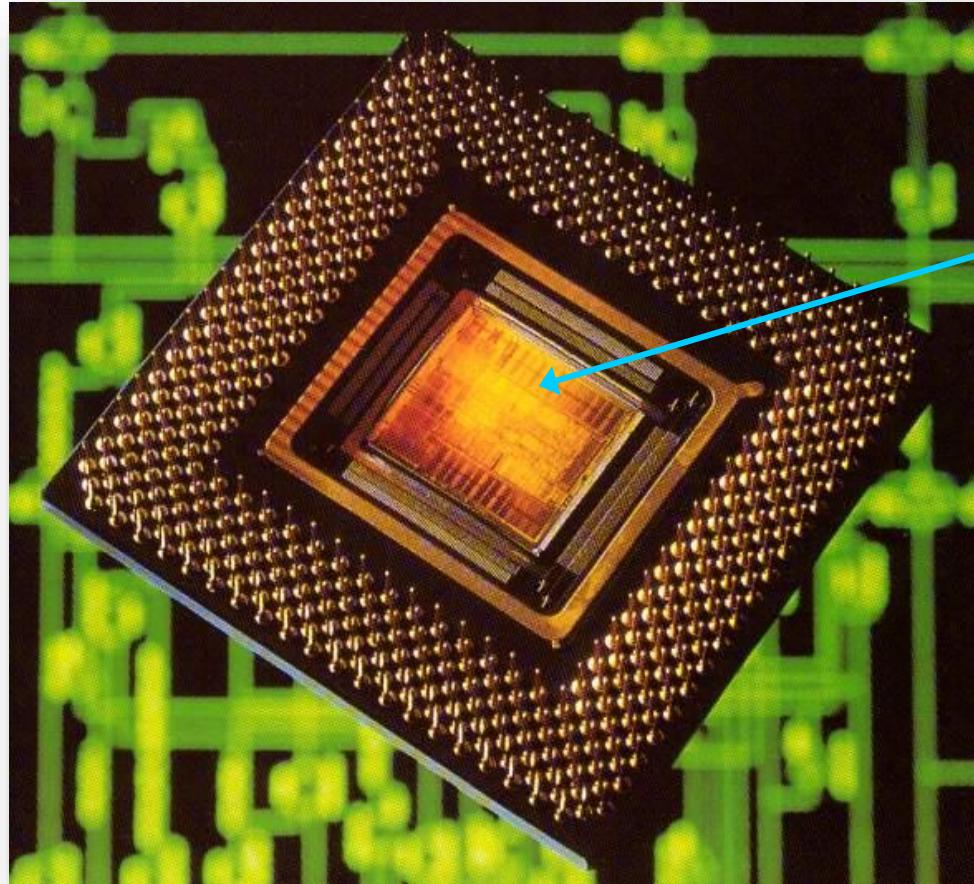
# Processor fabrication: wafer and die



Die

Intel, Industry-Leading Transistor Performance Demonstrated on Intel's 90-nanometer Logic Process

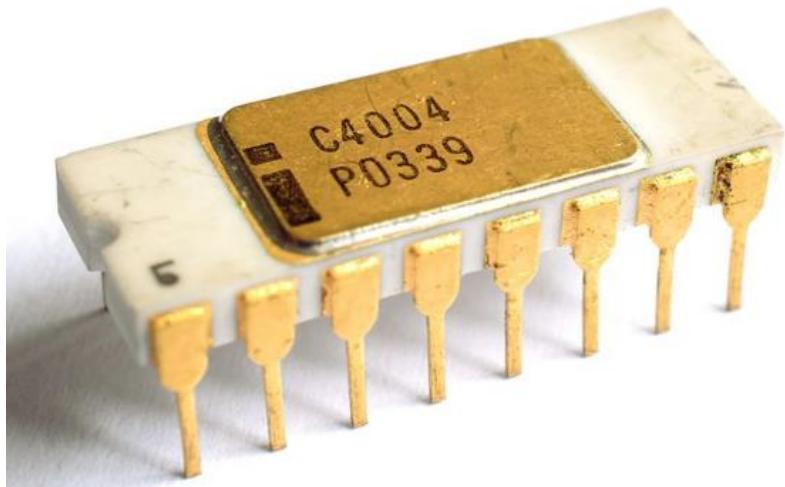
# Processor fabrication: die and packaging



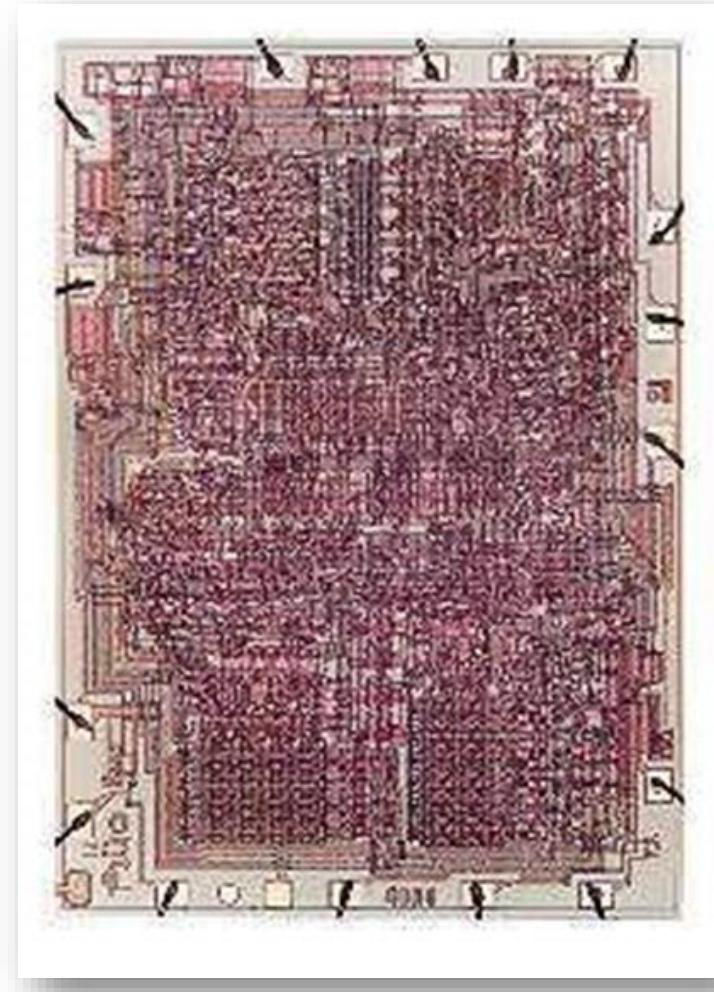
Die



# The birth of microprocessors



Name	Year	# of transistors
Intel 4004	1971	2,250



# Moore's Law

- Moore's law is the observation that the number of transistors in a dense integrated circuit doubles about every two years. The observation is named after Gordon Moore, the co-founder of Fairchild Semiconductor and Intel, whose 1965 paper described a doubling every year in the number of components per integrated circuit, and projected this rate of growth would continue for at least another decade. In 1975, looking forward to the next decade, he revised the forecast to doubling every two years. The period is often quoted as 18 months because of a prediction by Intel executive David House (being a combination of the effect of more transistors and the transistors being faster).



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# Moore's Law

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## If transistors were people

If the transistors in a microprocessor were represented by people, the following timeline gives an idea of the pace of Moore's Law.



**2,300**  
Average music hall capacity



**134,000**  
Large stadium capacity



**32 Million**  
Population of Tokyo



**1.3 Billion**  
Population of China

1970  
Intel 4004

1980  
Intel 286

1990

2000

Pentium III

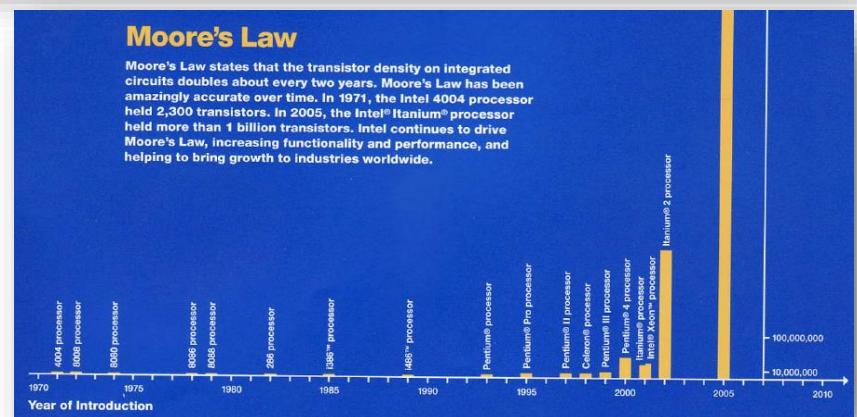
2011

Core i7 Extreme Edition

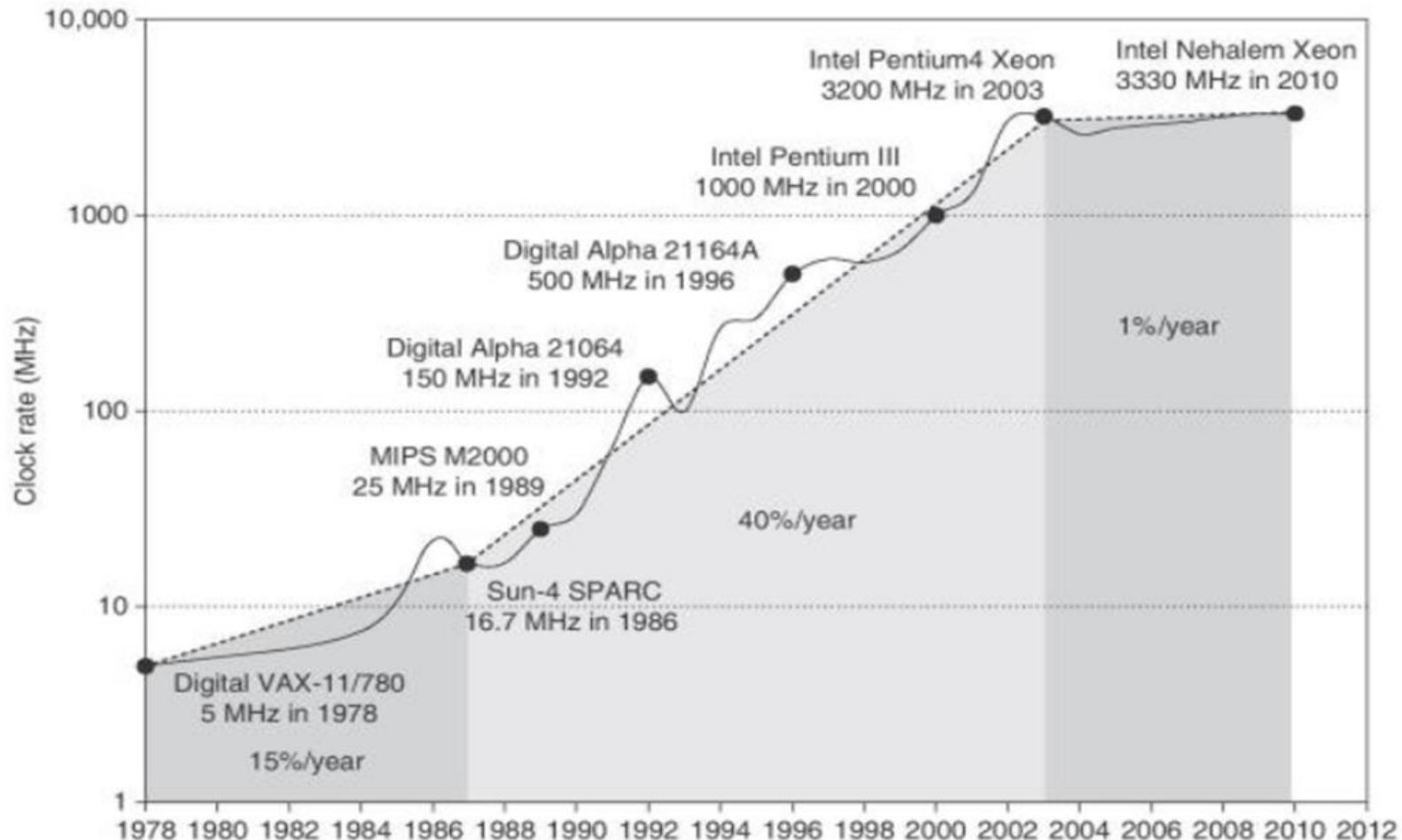
Now imagine that those 1.3 billion people could fit onstage in the original music hall. That's the scale of Moore's Law.

### Moore's Law

Moore's Law states that the transistor density on integrated circuits doubles about every two years. Moore's Law has been amazingly accurate over time. In 1971, the Intel 4004 processor held 2,300 transistors. In 2005, the Intel® Itanium® processor held more than 1 billion transistors. Intel continues to drive Moore's Law, increasing functionality and performance, and helping to bring growth to industries worldwide.



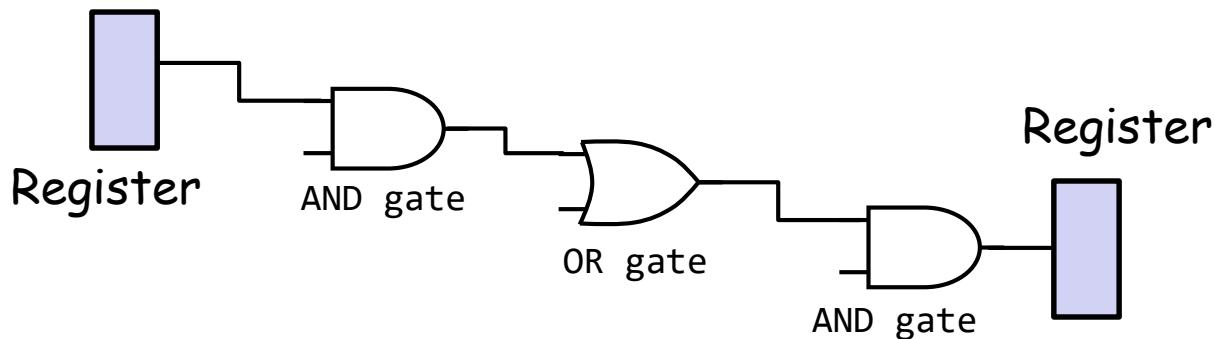
# Growth in clock rate of microprocessors



From CAQA 5<sup>th</sup> edition

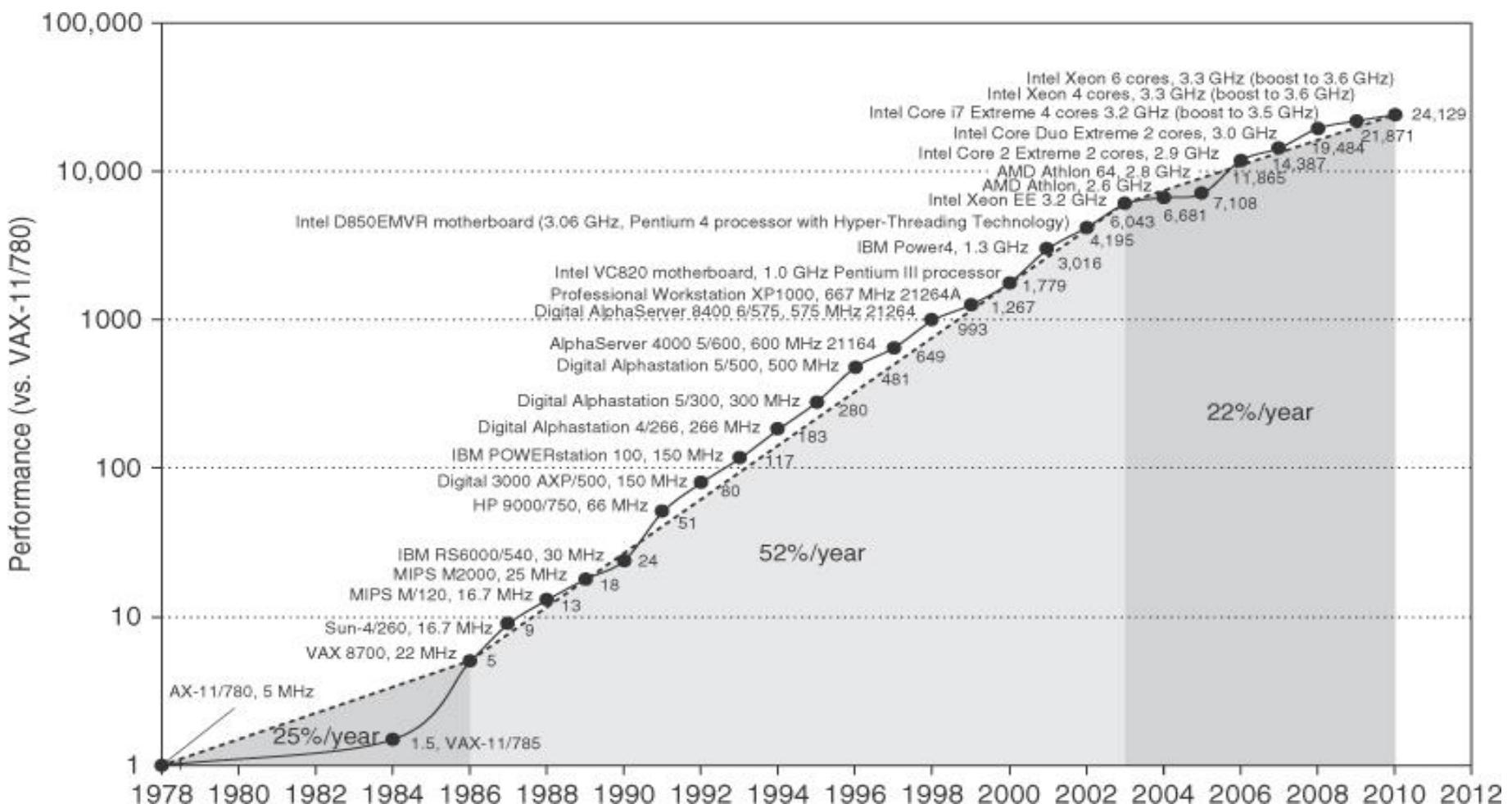
# Clock rate is mainly determined by

- Switching speed of gates (transistors)
- The number of levels of gates
  - The maximum number of gates cascaded in series in any combinational logics.
  - In this example, the number of levels of gates is 3.
- Wiring delay and fanout





# Growth in processor performance



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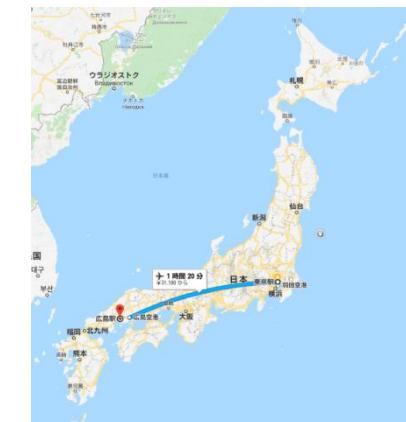
# Which is faster?

## From Tokyo to Hiroshima

	Time & Cost	Max Speed	Passengers	Throughput (Speed x P)
Boeing 737	1:20 32,000yen	800km/h (503km/h)	170	85,510 (503 x 170)
Nozomi	4:00 18,000yen	270km/h (205km/h)	1,300	266,500 (205 x 1,300)



- Time to run the task (ExTime)
  - Execution time, response time, latency
- Tasks per day, hour, week, sec, ns ... (Performance)
  - Throughput, bandwidth



Based on the lecture slide of David E Culler

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# Defining (Speed) Performance

- Normally interested in reducing
  - **Response time** (execution time) – the time between the start and the completion of a **task** or a **program**
    - Important to individual users
  - Thus, **to maximize performance, need to minimize execution time**

$$\text{performance}_x = 1 / \text{execution\_time}_x$$

If X is n times faster than Y, then

$$\frac{\text{performance}_x}{\text{performance}_y} = \frac{\text{execution\_time}_y}{\text{execution\_time}_x} = n$$

- Throughput – the total amount of work done in a given time
  - Important to data center managers
- Decreasing response time almost always improves throughput



# Performance Factors

- Want to distinguish elapsed time and the time spent on our task
- CPU execution time (CPU time) : time the CPU spends working on a task
  - Does not include time waiting for I/O or running other programs

$$\text{CPU execution time for a program} = \frac{\text{\# CPU clock cycles for a program}}{\text{clock cycle time}}$$

or

$$\text{CPU execution time for a program} = \frac{\text{\# CPU clock cycles for a program}}{\text{clock rate}}$$

- Can improve performance by reducing either the **length of the clock cycle** or the **number of clock cycles required for a program**



# Performance Factors

$$\text{CPU execution time for a program} = \frac{\text{\# CPU clock cycles for a program}}{\text{clock rate}}$$

$$\text{Performance for a program} = \text{clock rate} \times 1 / \text{\# CPU clock cycles for a program}$$

- $\text{Performance} = f \times \text{IPC}$ 
  - $f$ : frequency (clock rate)
  - IPC: retired instructions per cycle

```
int flag = 1;  
  
int foo(){  
    while(flag);  
}
```

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# From multi-core era to many-core era

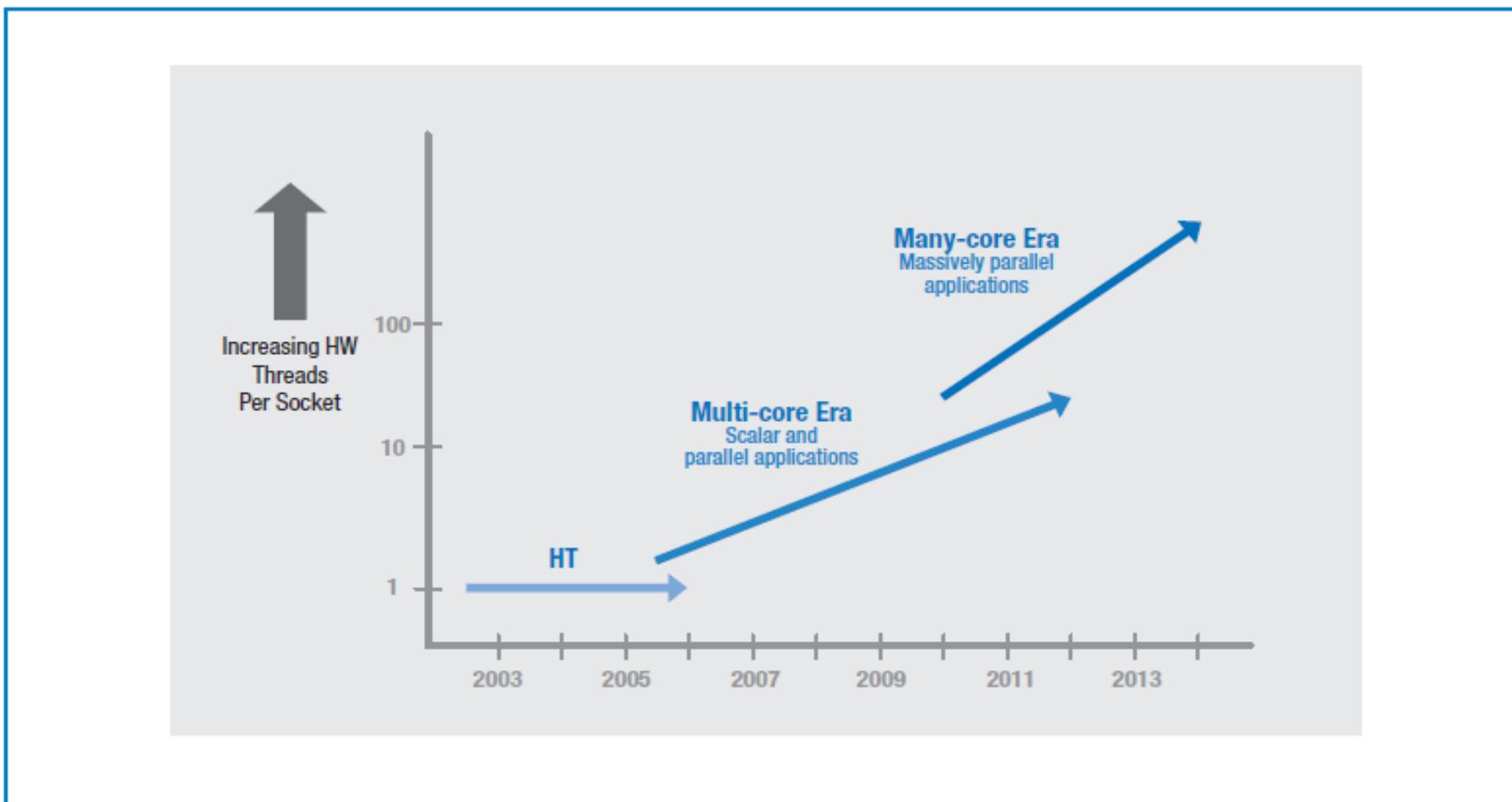


Figure 1: Current and expected eras of Intel® processor architectures

Platform 2015: Intel® Processor and Platform Evolution for the Next Decade, 2005

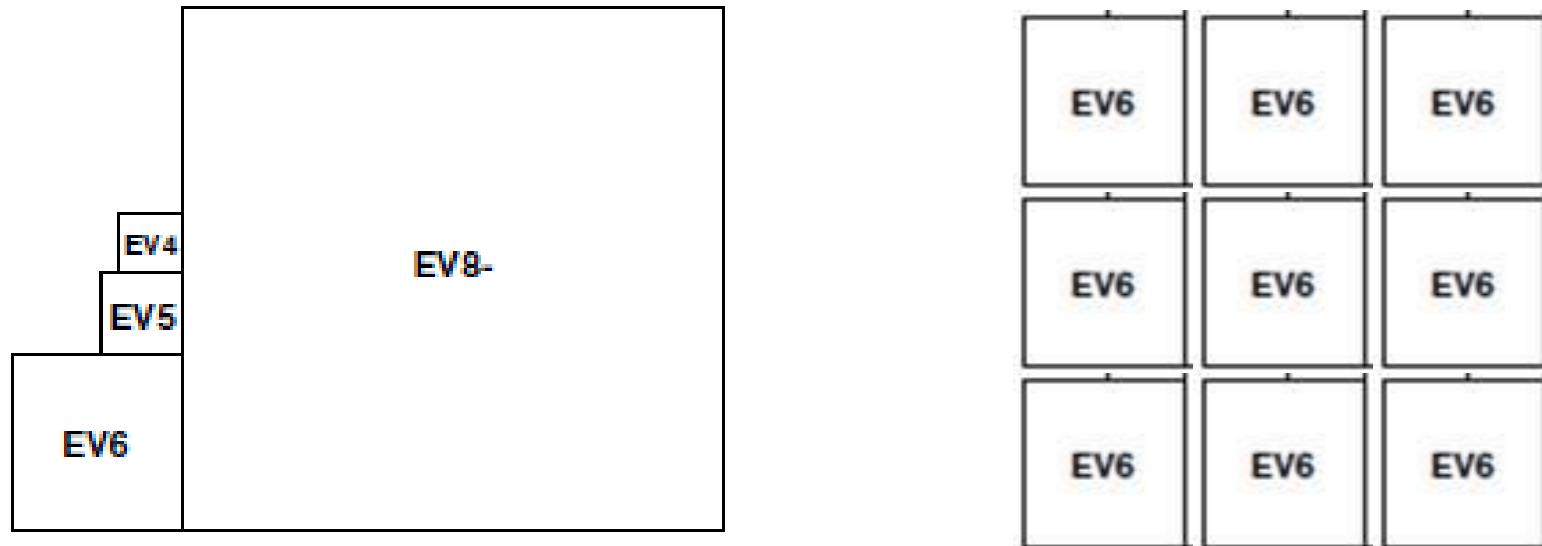
## Pollack's Rule

- Pollack's Rule states that microprocessor "performance increase due to microarchitecture advances is roughly proportional to the square root of the increase in complexity". Complexity in this context means processor logic, i.e. its area.

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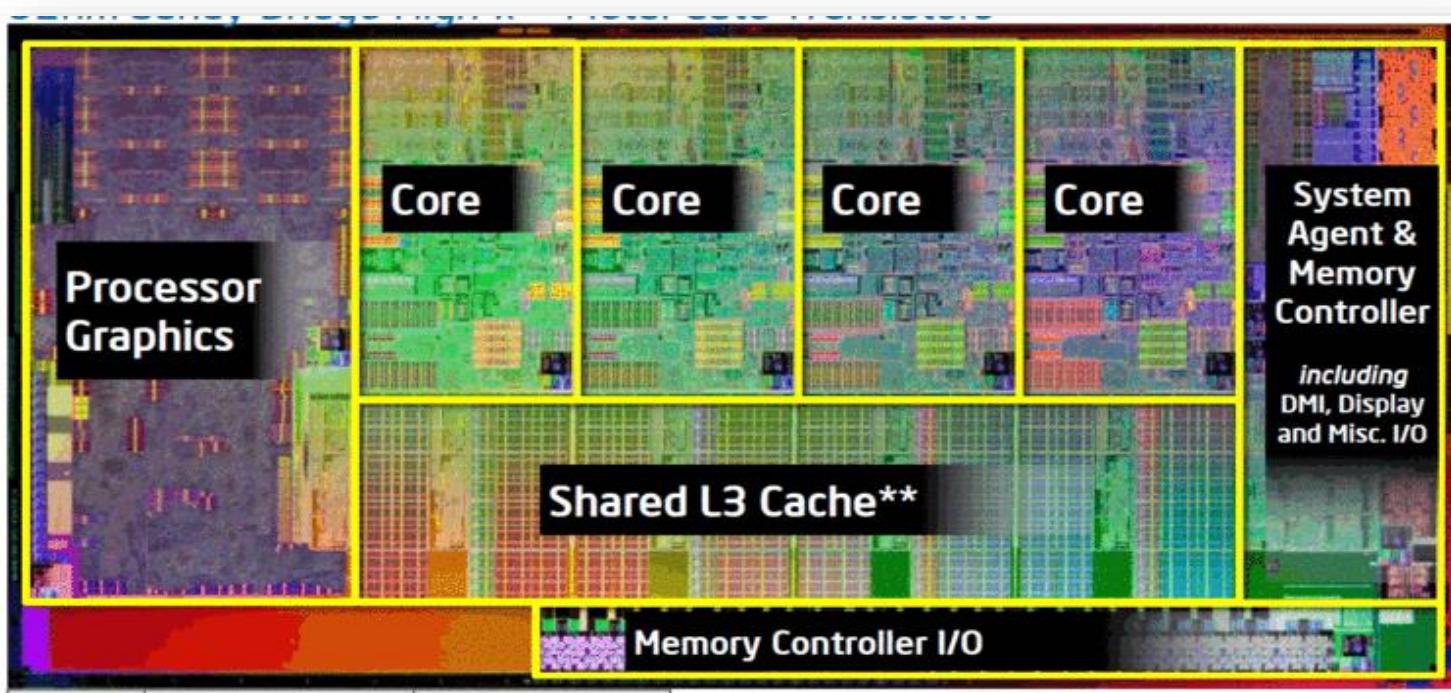
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**Figure 1. Relative sizes of the cores used in the study**

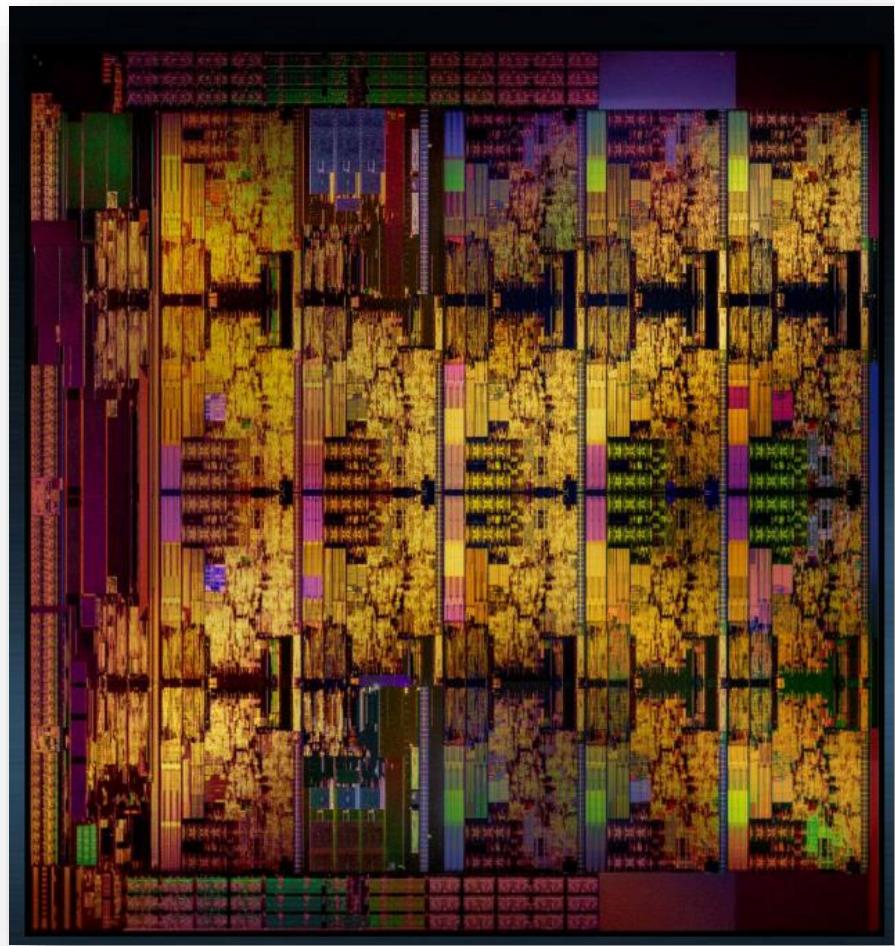
# Intel Sandy Bridge, January 2011

- 4 core

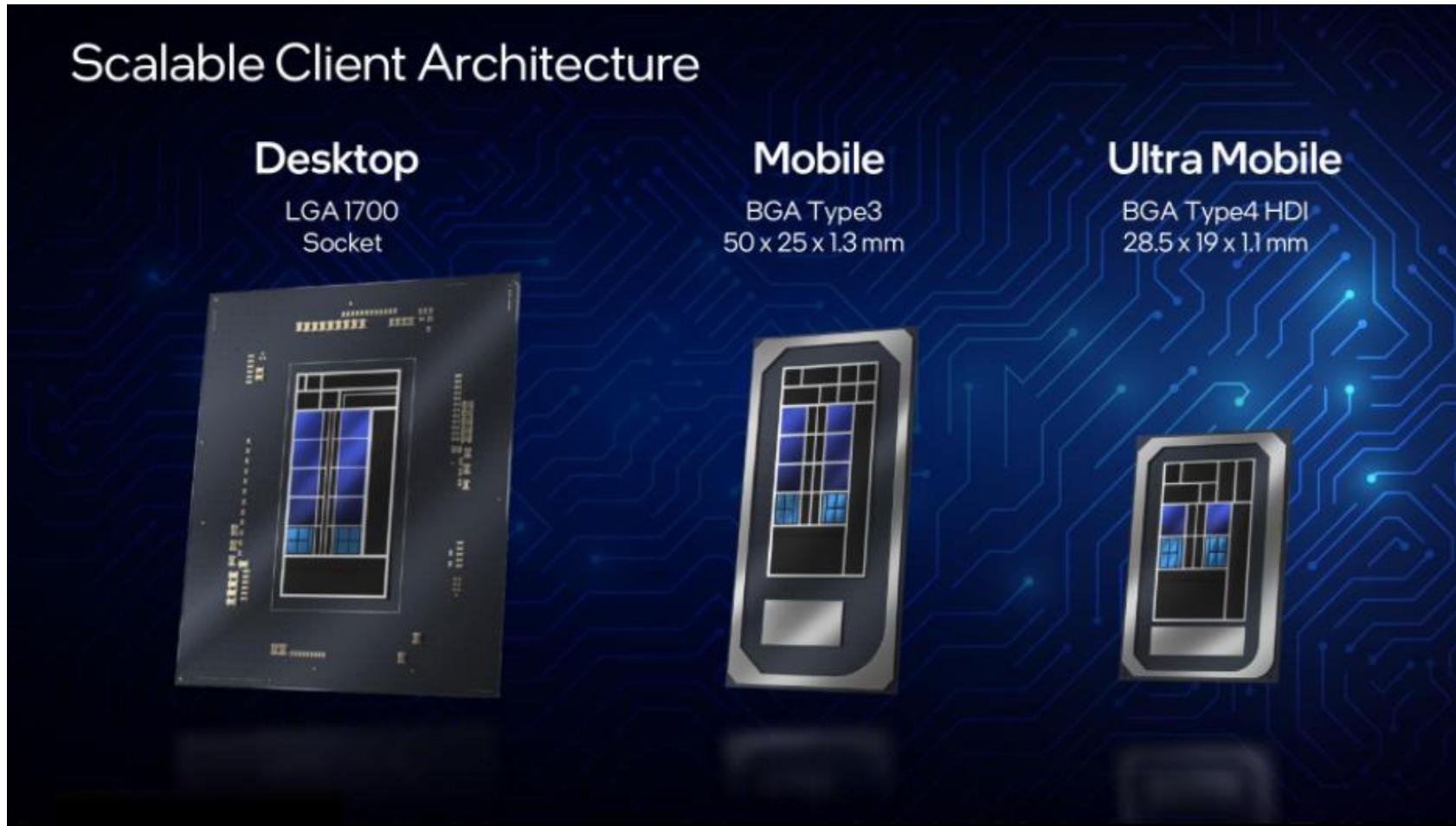


# Intel Skylake-X, Core i9-7980XE, 2017

- 18 core



# 2021.11 Intel Alder Lake processor



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Class 12	Thread Level Parallelism: Coherence and Synchronization	Understand the coherence and synchronization for thread level parallelism
Class 13	Thread Level Parallelism: Memory Consistency Model	Understand the memory consistency model for thread level parallelism
Class 14	Thread Level Parallelism: Interconnection Network and Many-core Processors	Understand the interconnection network and many-core processors for thread level parallelism



# Adaptive Computing Research Initiative (ACRI)

- The aim
  - Aiming to develop the high-performance Adaptive Computing Systems that utilize FPGAs
  - Working out to distribute the FPGA-related technologies, including our developed systems, as an outreach activity for research results
- Main research theme
  1. Development for FPGA accelerator to speed up processing of AI etc.
  2. Development for FPGA accelerators and FPGA systems for IoT.
- Activity
  - Establishment Date: April 1<sup>st</sup> 2020
  - Activity period : First period 3 years



The Adaptive Computing Research Initiative is an organization to seek out and research ways to utilize FPGAs.



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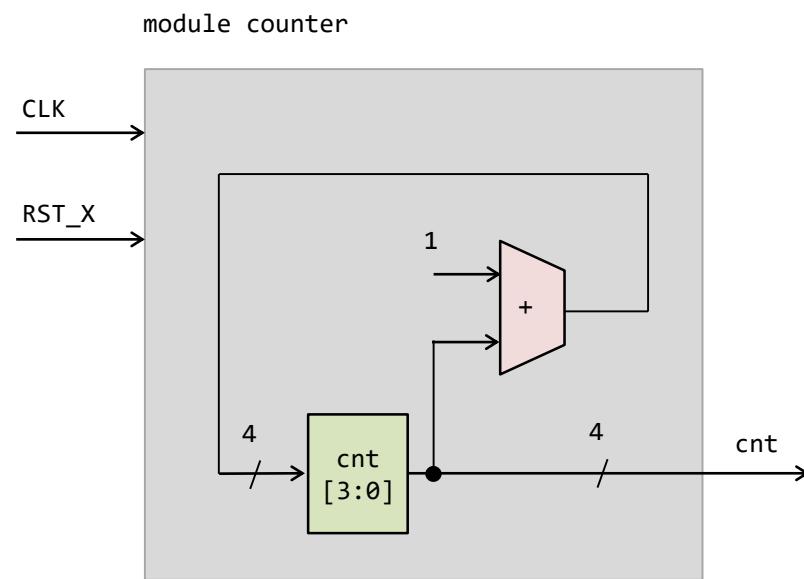
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## Sample circuit 1

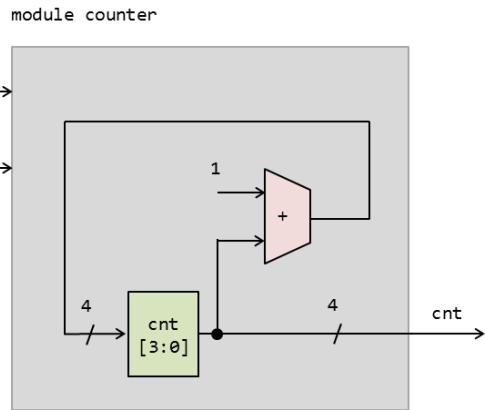
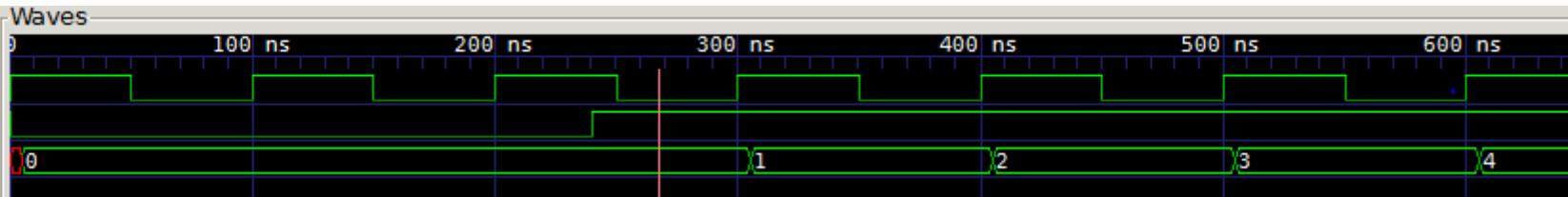
- 4-bit counter
  - synchronous reset
  - negative-logic reset, initialize or reset the value of register cnt to zero if RST\_X is low





# Sample Verilog HDL Code

Signals
Time
CLK = 0
RST_X = 1
cnt[3:0] = 0



counter.v

```
8 module top();
9   reg CLK, RST_X;
10  wire [3:0] w_cnt;
11
12 initial begin CLK = 1; forever #50 CLK = ~CLK; end
13 initial begin RST_X = 0; #240 RST_X = 1; end
14 initial #800 $finish();
15 initial begin
16   $dumpfile("wave.vcd");
17   $dumpvars(0, cnt1);
18 end
19 always @(posedge CLK) $write("cnt1: %d %x\n", RST_X, w_cnt);
20
21 counter cnt1(CLK, RST_X, w_cnt);
22 endmodule
23
24 ****
25 module counter(CLK, RST_X, cnt);
26   input wire CLK, RST_X;
27   output reg [3:0] cnt;
28
29 always @(posedge CLK) begin
30   if(!RST_X) cnt <= #5 0;
31   else      cnt <= #5 cnt + 1;
32 end
33 endmodule
```

