



A CORAL SYSTEM AND IMPLICATIONS FOR FUTURE HPC HARDWARE AND DATA CENTERS

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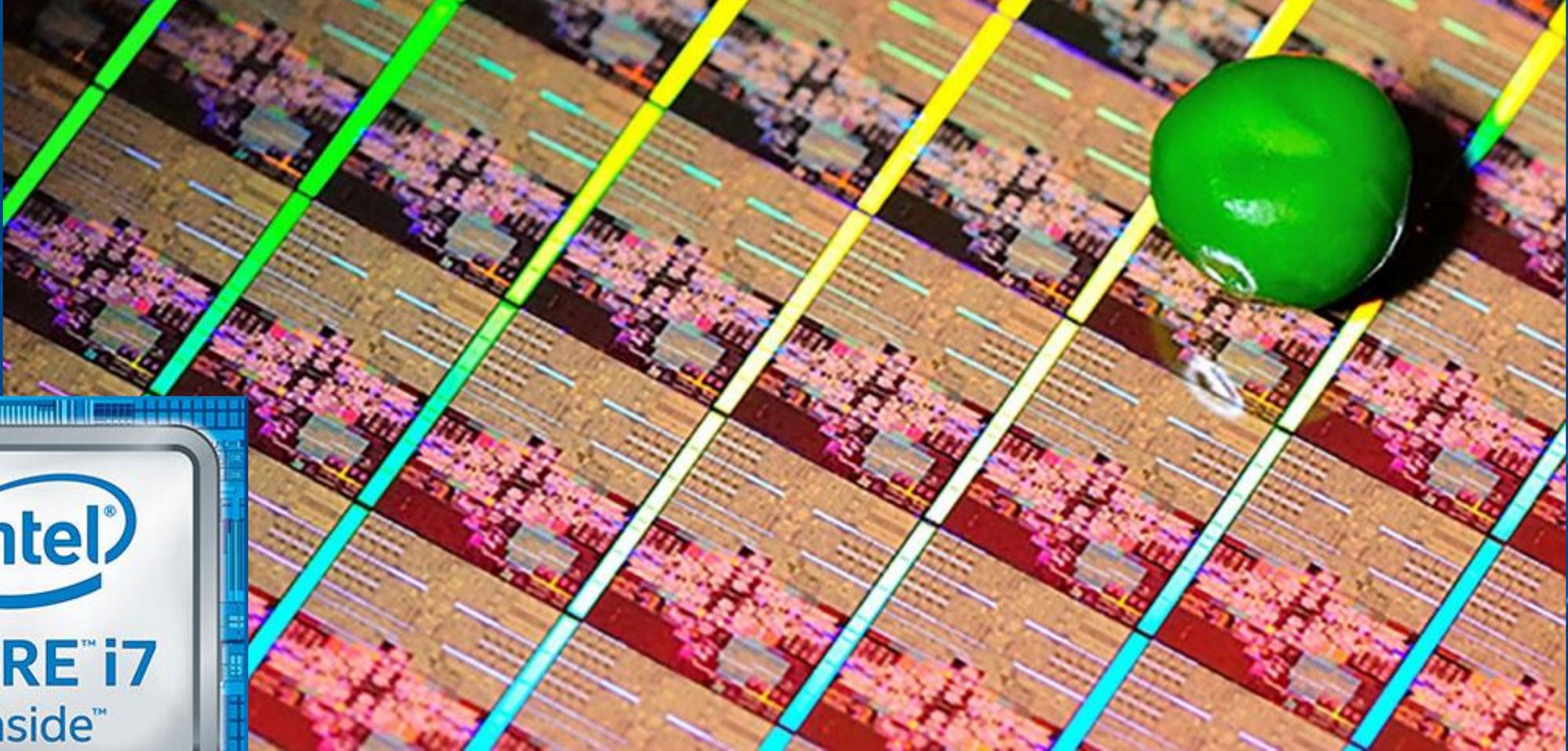
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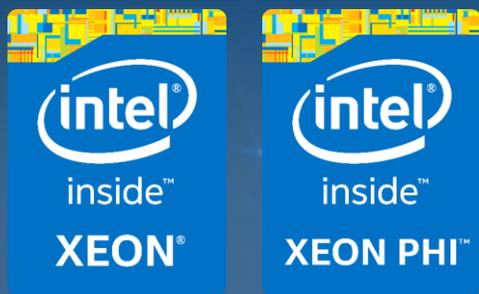
Intel Core™ i7 with over 1 billion transistors and over 6 miles (10 km) of wires in the chip to connect them



Intel Investments Paving the Way

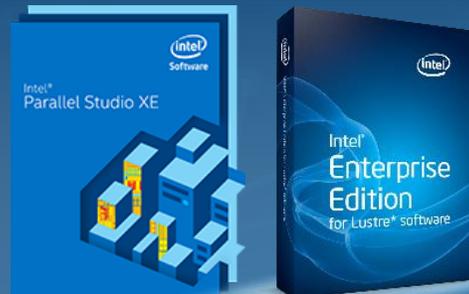
Holistic Approach to Cluster Solutions

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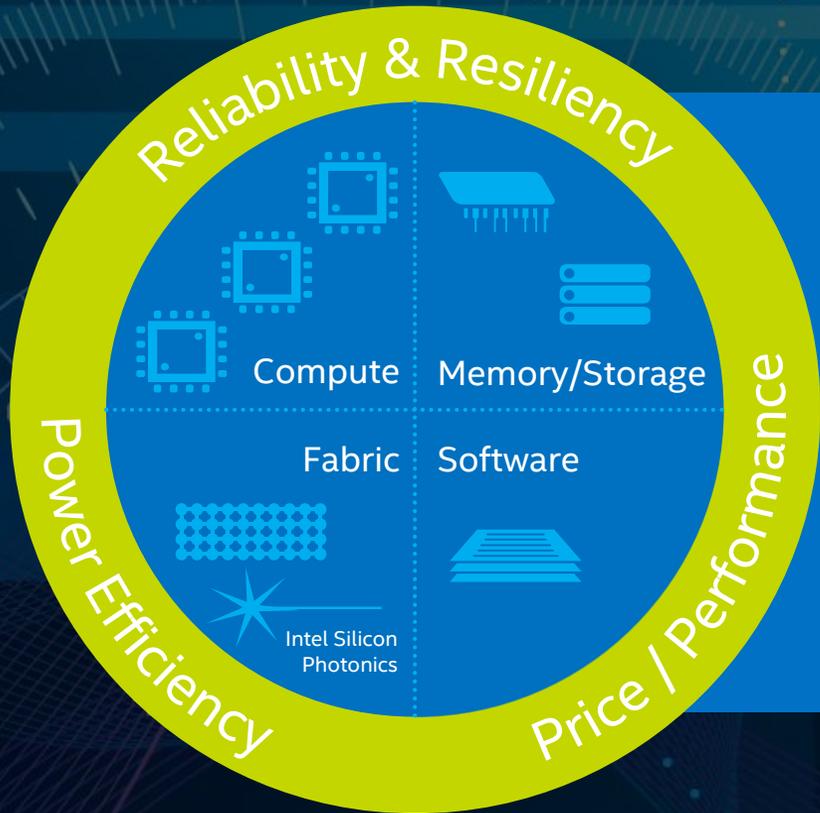
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A Configurable Design Path Customizable for a Wide Range of HPC & Big Data Workloads



Small Clusters Through Supercomputers
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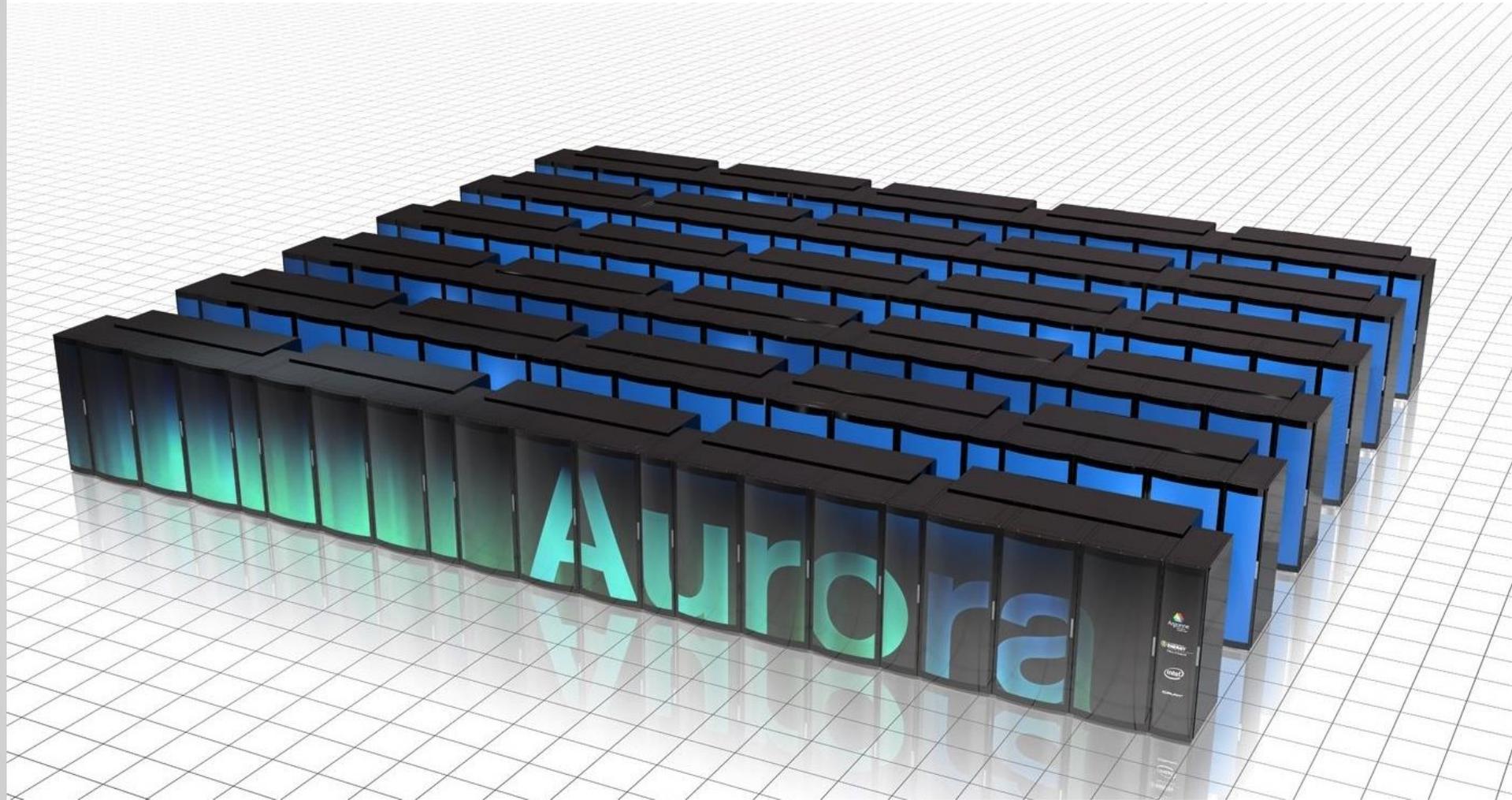
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COLLABORATION OF OAK RIDGE, ARGONNE, AND LIVERMORE

- Acquire DOE 2018 – 2022 Leadership Computing Capability
- Three leadership class systems – one each at ALCF, LLNL, OLCF
 - With arch diversity between ALCF and OLCF
- ALCF: Intel (Prime) Cray (Integrator)
- OLCF: IBM (Prime)
- LLNL: IBM (Prime)

THE FUTURE



The Most Advanced Supercomputer Ever Built

An Intel-led collaboration with ANL and Cray to accelerate discovery & innovation



Prime Contractor



Subcontractor

>180 PFLOPS

(option to increase up to 450 PF)

>50,000 nodes

13MW

2018 *delivery*

18X higher
performance*

>6X more energy
efficient*

Source: Argonne National Laboratory and Intel. *Versus ANL's current biggest system named MIRA (10PFs and 4.8MW)
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Breakthrough technologies that deliver massive benefits

Compute

Interconnect

File System

3rd Generation
Intel® Xeon Phi™



>17X performance†

FLOPS per node

>12X memory bandwidth†

>30PB/s aggregate
in-package memory bandwidth

Integrated Intel® Omni-Path Fabric

Processor code name: Knights Hill

2nd Generation
Intel® Omni-Path

>20X faster†

>500 TB/s bi-section bandwidth

>2.5 PB/s aggregate node link
bandwidth

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>3X faster†

>1 TB/s file system throughput

>5X capacity†

>150TB file system capacity

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† Comparisons are versus Mira—Argonne National Laboratory's current largest HPC system, Mira. See Aurora Fact Sheet for details

Aurora Fact Sheet



| System Feature | The Aurora Details | Comparison to Mira |
|--|--|--|
| Peak System Performance (FLOP/s) | 180 - 450 PetaFLOP/s | 10 PetaFLOP/s |
| Processor | Future Generation Intel® Xeon Phi™ Processor (Code name: Knights Hill) | PowerPC A2 1600 MHz processor |
| Number of Nodes | >50,000 | 49,152 |
| Compute Platform | Intel system based on Cray Shasta next generation supercomputing platform | IBM Blue Gene/Q |
| Aggregate High Bandwidth On-Package Memory, local Memory and Persistent Memory | >7,000 Terabytes | 768 Terabytes |
| Aggregate High Bandwidth On-Package Memory Bandwidth | >30 Petabytes/s | 2.5 Petabytes/s |
| System Interconnect | 2 nd Generation Intel® Omni-Path Architecture with silicon photonics | IBM 5D torus interconnect with VCSEL photonics |
| Interconnect Aggregate Node Link Bandwidth | >2.5 Petabytes/s | 2 Petabytes/s |
| Interconnect Bisection Bandwidth | >500 Terabytes/s | 24 Terabytes/s |
| Interconnect Interface | Integrated | Integrated |
| Burst Buffer Storage | Intel® SSDs, using both 1 st and 2 nd Generation Intel® Omni-Path Architecture | None |
| File System | Intel® Lustre File System | IBM GPFS File System |
| File System Capacity | >150 Petabytes | 26 Petabytes |
| File System Throughput | >1 Terabyte/s | 300 Gigabyte/s |
| Intel Architecture (Intel® 64) Compatibility | Yes | No |
| Peak Power Consumption | 13 Megawatts | 4.8 Megawatts |
| FLOP/s Per Watt | >13 GigaFLOP/s per watt | >2 GigaFLOP/s per watt |
| Delivery Timeline | 2018 | 2012 |
| Facility Area for Compute Clusters | ~3,000 sq. ft. | ~1,536 sq. ft. |



For further information on Aurora, visit: intel.com/Aurora

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| | Aurora |
|-------------|------------------------------------|
| Processor | Xeon Phi™ Knights Hill |
| Nodes | >50,000 |
| Performance | 180 PF |
| Power | 13 MW |
| Space | ~3000 sq ft (~280 m ²) |
| Cooling | Direct Liquid Cooling |
| Efficiency | >13 GF/w |

All the details: **Aurora Fact Sheet** at [intel.com](http://www.intel.com)
<http://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/high-performance-computing/aurora-fact-sheet.html?wapkw=aurora>



Intel SSF enables Higher Performance & Density

A **formula** for more performance....

advancements in CPU architecture

- + advancements in process technology
- + integrated in-package memory
 - + integrated fabrics with higher speeds
 - + switch and CPU packaging under one roof
 - + all tied together with silicon photonics
- = much higher performance & density

So what have we learned over the last three years?

Today's focus is on Power, Packaging, and Cooling (PPC)

- Power

- 480Vac
- >100 kW / cabinet

- Packaging

- High density computing – significant computing in a small package
- Weight becomes a key design parameter

- Cooling

- Liquid cooling; for a number of reasons
- Cooler is better, to a point

Power

Trends....

- Power now 480 Vac 3ph (400 Vac in Europe)
- >100 kW / cabinet
- In-cabinet 380 Vdc for optimized delivery
- Power management and power monitoring allows optimized performance and efficiency

Power Delivery Challenges in the horizon

Variable Power Cap

- Several reasons
 - Peak Shedding
 - Reduction in renewable energy

Power rate of change

- Ex: Hourly or Fifteen minute average in platform power should not exceed by X MW.

Controlled Power Ramp up/down – economic or technical issues

- Challenge to do this at a reasonable cost and with energy efficient mechanisms

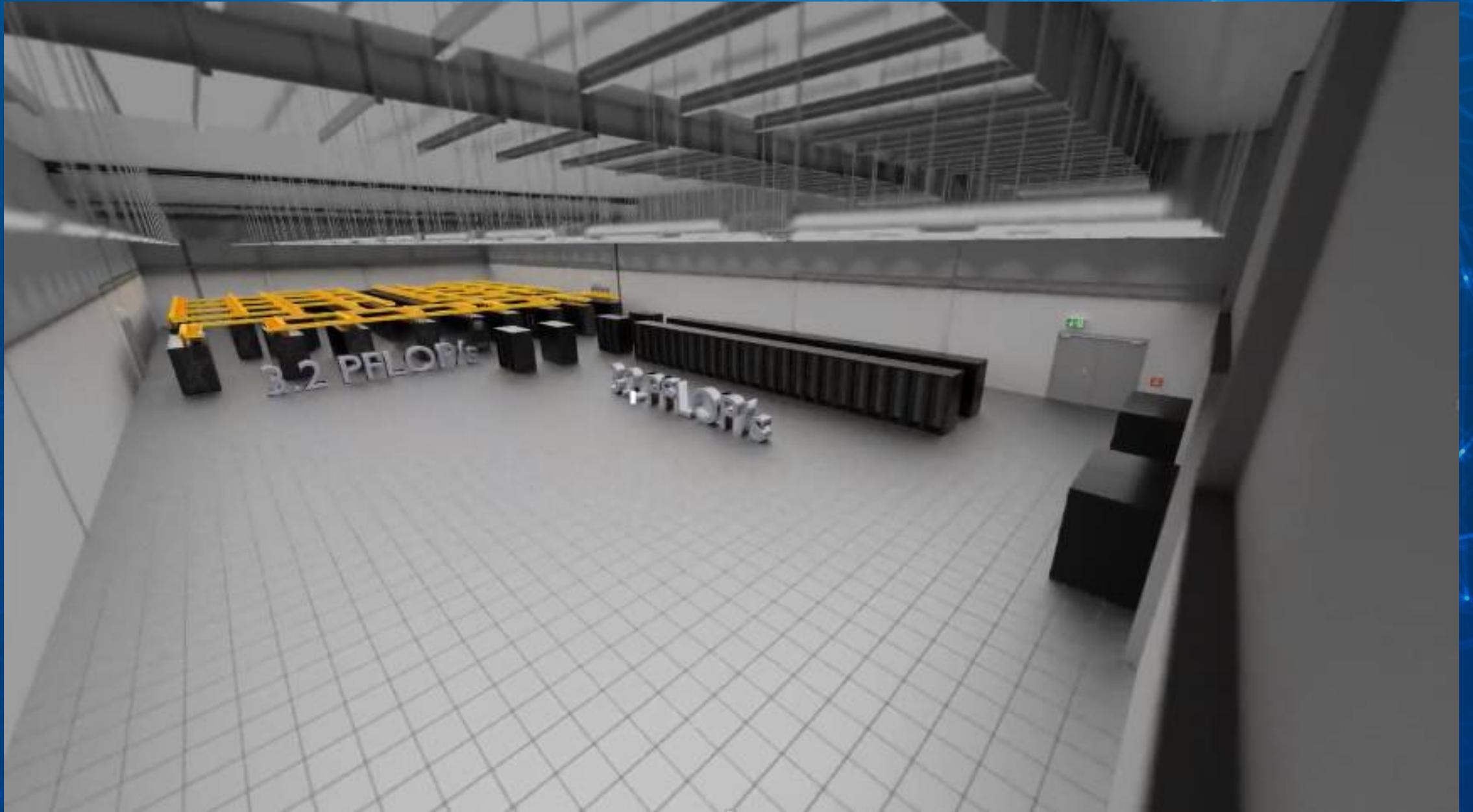
Packaging

Rack and cluster weight and density

- Packaging
 - High density computing – network topology optimization and high node count per rack make for dense cabinets
- Rack weight density
 - Design limit: Floor tiles at 500 lbs/sf ~ 2500 kg/m²
- White space vs utility space
 - Compute density increasing, infrastructure support equipment is not
- What's the trend for machine room area?

I must need a huge data center for PetaScale and ExaScale computing – Right?





Quick Survey

In what year, do you expect to see “rack level” performance exceed 1 PF?

- a) 2016
- b) 2018
- c) 2020
- d) 2022



Performance density continues to increase



| System Feature | LRZ Phase 1 | LRZ Phase 2 | Mira | Titan | Summit | Aurora |
|--------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|--------|--------|--------|-------------|
| Year | 2012 | 2015 | 2012 | 2012 | 2017 | 2018 |
| Perf Pflop/s | 3.2 | 3.2 | 10 | 27 | 150 | 180 |
| # of Nodes | 9216 | 3096 Haswell | 49,152 | 18,688 | 3500 | >50,000 KNH |
| Power | 2.3 MW | 1.1 MW | 4.8 MW | 9 MW | 9.6 MW | 13 MW |
| Cluster Area (m ²) est. | 546 | 182 | 143 | 400 | 418 | 279 |
| Cluster Area (ft ²) est. | 5875 | 1960 | 1540 | 4300 | 4500 | 3000 |
| TF/m ² Est. | 6 | 18 | 70 | 67.5 | 359 | 645 |
| TF/ft ² est. | 0.5 | 1.6 | 6.5 | 6.3 | 33.4 | 60 |

Do I need a huge data center?



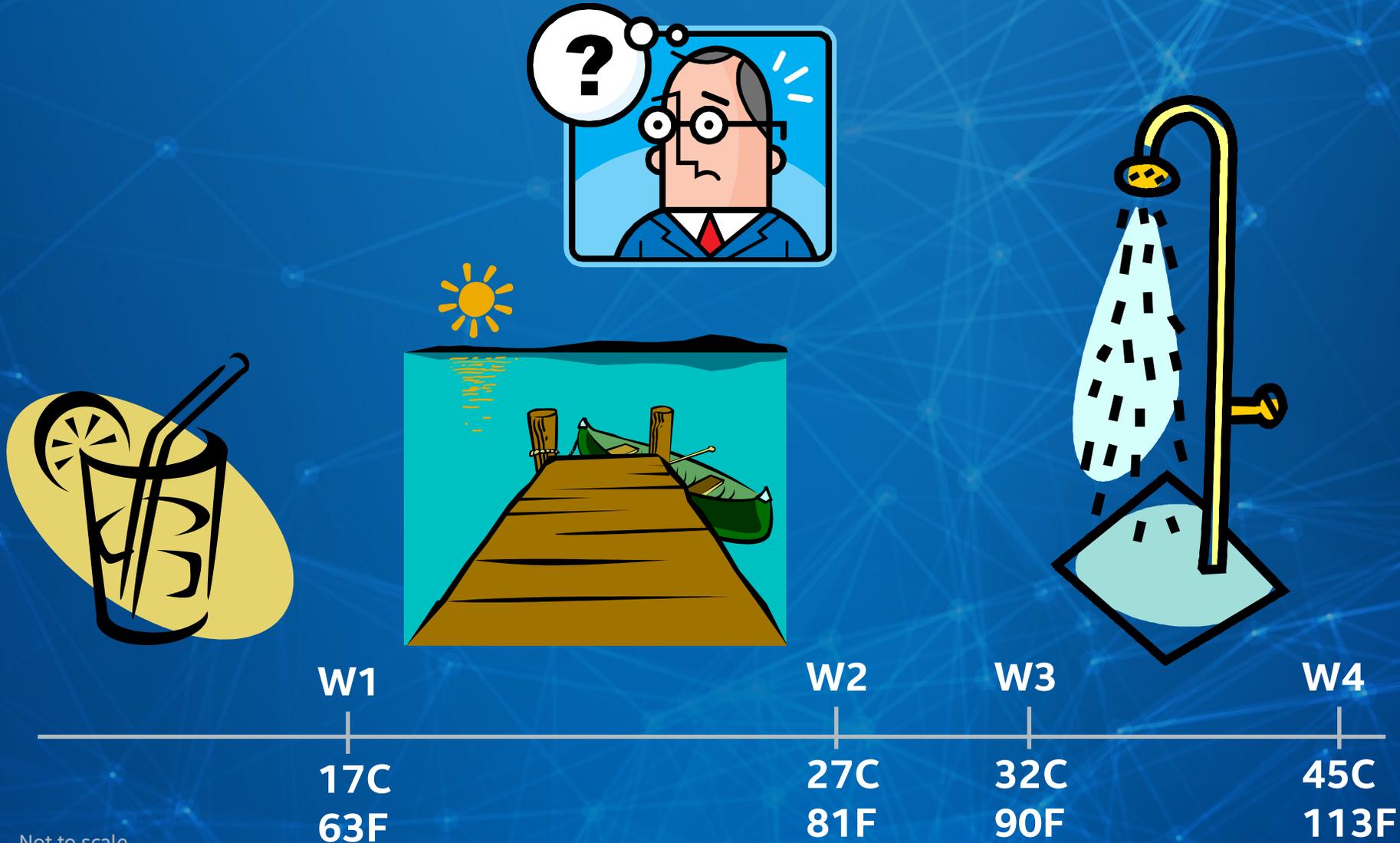
- Facility area for Compute Cluster does not have to be huge. Significant compute density in small packages
 - At Aurora density, the 3.2 LRZ PF step could fit in 5 m²
- Don't forget:
 - If Storage is going to be large then you will need additional floor space.
 - If you are going to be using Xeon instead of Xeon Phi then you may need additional floor space
 - Utility and infrastructure space continues to grow

Cooling

Why liquid?

- Power per node continues to rise
- Rack density limits airflow path
- Increased thermal performance of liquid (vs air) allows more free-cooling
 - Thermal resistance from chip to liquid in a cold plate is smaller than chip to air over a heat sink
- Warmer or cooler? “Warm-water cooling” has a good ring to it!

What does Warm-Water Cooling really mean?



Not to scale

Just say no....

Warm Water Cooling



Instead, define either specific temperatures or functional....

Define the temperature at the facilities and IT water loop interface

W2, W3, W4

ASHRAE values help system vendor design system, guarantee performance

Define how the water temperature is made

Chiller

Cooling Tower

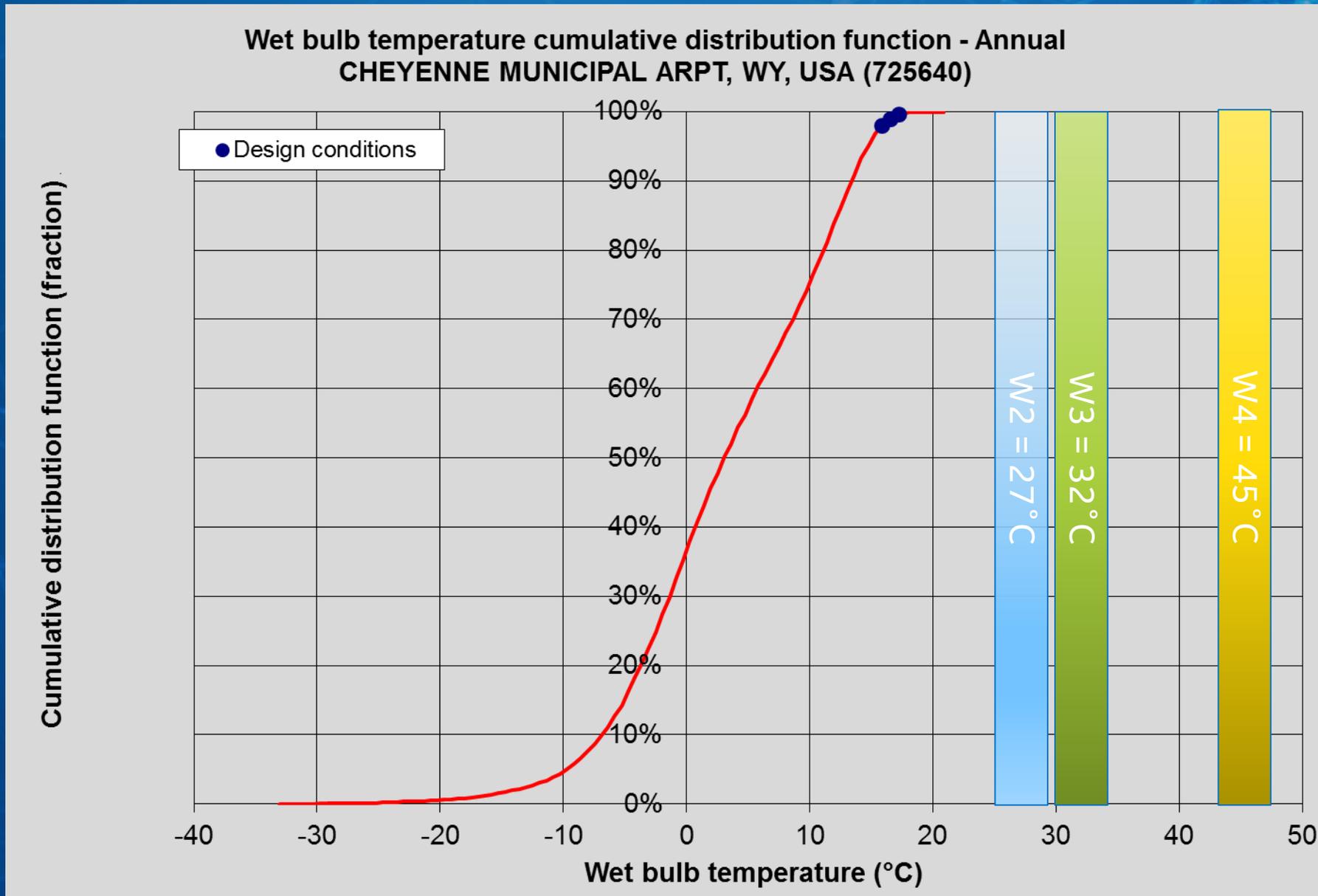
Dry Cooler

A proposal....

- As a starting point, use the coolest water you can make without a chiller
- Always be above the dewpoint (to prevent condensation in the machine)
- Cooler temperatures promote:
 - Lower leakage
 - More turbo frequencies
 - Higher stability
 - More time to recover in an upset condition
 - Better reliability
 - Reduced flow rates

Note - May consume more water, not applicable if after heat recovery

Why use “warm” water, when “cool” water costs the same?



Summary

Planning for Exascale needs to happen now; 180 PF in 2018

Designing for the future:

It's going to be Large!

kg/rack, kW/rack, perf/rack, power ramps and peak, pipe sizes, m²/m²

It may get Smaller!

Cluster footprint

High packaging density, high power, liquid cooling all enable best performance, efficiency, and TCO

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It's one more landmark.

It's the next one we have to reach.

But the journey does not stop there.





Thanks for your attention

Questions?

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