

# Topic 1: Overview of Computer Organization and Systems Programming



CSE 30: Computer Organization and Systems Programming  
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# Goals of the course

- ❖ Go under the hood of high-level programs
- ❖ Identify causes for errors in high-level code
- ❖ Improve performance of your programs
- ❖ Unix compilation and debugging tools
- ❖ Basic software engineering: git and TDD
- ❖ Learn big ideas that have shaped computing
- ❖ Programming in C and ARM

Understand how a computer works from a programmer's perspective

# About you

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- ❖ What is your familiarity with C?
  - A. Know nothing or almost nothing about it.
  - B. Used it a little, beginner level.
  - C. Some expertise, lots of gaps though.
  - D. Lots of expertise, a few gaps.
  - E. Know too much

# About you...

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What is your familiarity/confidence with using version control with Git or any other Version Control System?

- A. Know nothing or almost nothing about it.
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- C. Some expertise, lots of gaps though.
- D. Lots of expertise, a few gaps.
- E. Know too much

# About you...

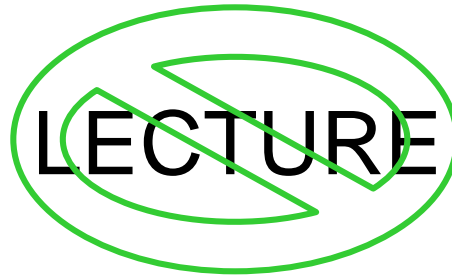
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What is your familiarity/confidence with coding in pairs (pair programming)?

- A. Know nothing or almost nothing about it.
- B. Used it a little, beginner level.
- C. Some expertise, lots of gaps though.
- D. Lots of expertise, a few gaps.
- E. Know too much; I have no life.

# About This Class

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You must **attend** class  
You must **prepare** for class  
You must **participate** in class

# In class we will use Clickers!



- ❖ Lets you vote on multiple choice questions in real time.



# Lecture: Peer Instruction

- ❖ I will pose carefully designed questions. You will
  - ❖ Solo vote: Think for yourself and select answer
  - ❖ Discuss: Analyze problem in teams of two or three
    - ❖ Practice analyzing, talking about challenging concepts
    - ❖ Reach consensus
    - ❖ If you have questions, raise your hand and I will come over
  - ❖ Group vote: Everyone in group votes
    - ❖ You must all vote the same to get your point
  - ❖ Class wide discussion:
    - ❖ Led by YOU (students) – tell us what you talked about in discussion that everyone should know!

# Why Peer Instruction?

- ❖ You get to make sure you are following the lecture.
- ❖ I get feedback as to what you understand.
- ❖ It's less boring!
- ❖ Research shows it promotes more learning than standard lecture.

Take a minute to introduce yourself to your group

# Logistics: Resources

All information about the class is on the class website: <https://ucsd-cse30-fall-2016.github.io>

- ❖ *Approx* Syllabus
- ❖ Schedule
- ❖ Readings
- ❖ Assignments
- ❖ Forum (Piazza)
- ❖ Grades published on gradescope
- ❖ Grading policy

I will assume that you check these daily

# Logistics: Course Components

Website: <https://ucsd-cse30-fall-2016.github.io>

<b>4 PA Assignments</b>	<b>28%</b>
<b>Reading Quizzes (7)</b>	<b>10%</b>
<b>Midterm (2)</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Final (1)</b>	<b>30%</b>
<b>Class participation (Clickers)</b>	<b>2%</b>

# Grading structure and policy

- ❖ We will follow standard grading
  - ❖ What do I need to get an A- or better?
    - ❖ >90% overall
  - ❖ What do I need to get (C- or better)?
    - ❖ > 70% overall AND
    - ❖ Must appear on Final exam
    - ❖ >50% on the programming assignments
- Plusses and minuses at instructors discretion

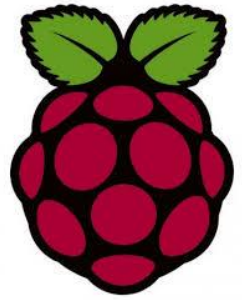
# Logistics: References

## ❖ *Required textbooks:*

1. *Digital Design and Computer Architecture: ARM Edition*, by Sarah and David Harris. E-book available for free via the library
2. *C programming: A modern approach, 2<sup>nd</sup> edition*, by K. N. King

*Other suggested reading on course website*

# PAs: Raspberry Pi!



- ❖ We will program for an ARM based embedded platform!
- ❖ You may choose to go either of the following routes:
  - ❖ Purchase a Raspberry Pi (\$75 investment) and work on the actual hardware
  - ❖ Emulate the Raspberry Pi in software using docker (it's a like a virtual machine but much faster)

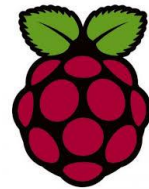
# Raspberry Pi 2



Raspberry Pi 2 model B

<b>Release date</b>	February 2015; 4 months ago
<b>Introductory price</b>	US\$35
<b>Operating system</b>	Same as for Raspberry Pi 1 plus Windows 10 and additional variants of Linux such as Ubuntu
<b>CPU</b>	900 MHz quad-core ARM Cortex-A7
<b>Memory</b>	1 GB RAM
<b>Storage</b>	MicroSDHC slot
<b>Graphics</b>	Broadcom VideoCore IV
<b>Power</b>	4.0 W

# Raspberry Pi 3



Raspberry Pi 3 model B

<b>Release date</b>	29 February 2016; 6 months ago
<b>Introductory price</b>	US\$35
<b>Operating system</b>	Raspbian Ubuntu MATE Snappy Ubuntu Core Windows 10 IoT Core <sup>[1]</sup> RISC OS Debian Arch Linux ARM
<b>System-on-chip used</b>	Broadcom BCM2837
<b>CPU</b>	1.2 GHz 64-/32-bit quad-core ARM Cortex-A53
<b>Memory</b>	1 GB LPDDR2 RAM at 900 MHz <sup>[2]</sup>
<b>Storage</b>	MicroSDHC slot
<b>Graphics</b>	Broadcom VideoCore IV at higher clock frequencies (300 MHz & 400 MHz) than previous that run at 250 MHz
<b>Power</b>	800 mA (4.0 W)
<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://raspberrypi.org">raspberrypi.org</a>

Why Pi?



# Working out Logistics

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❖ Have you bought a Raspberry Pi or own one?

A. Yes

B. No

# Pair Programming Guidelines

You may work alone or with a partner from the SAME section of CSE 30

Basic rules for working with a partner

- ❖ All code written with two programmers at one machine
- ❖ You must plan *ahead of time* when you will get together
- ❖ You can change partner for each PA
- ❖ Don't be a jerk

Selecting partners: Factors to consider

- ❖ Schedule compatibility
- ❖ Roughly equal “eagerness”
- ❖ Roughly equal experience
- ❖ Partner from SAME section

Start looking for a partner today!

# Course Problems...Cheating

- ❖ What is cheating?
  - ❖ Studying together in groups is encouraged
  - ❖ Turned-in work must be *completely* your own.
  - ❖ Common examples of cheating: running out of time on a assignment and then pick up output, take homework from box and copy, person asks to borrow solution “just to take a look” , copying an exam question, ...
  - ❖ Both “giver” and “receiver” are equally culpable
- ❖ Cheating on PA and HW/ exams; **In most cases, F in the course.**
- ❖ Any instance of cheating will be referred to Academic Integrity Office

# Email Policy

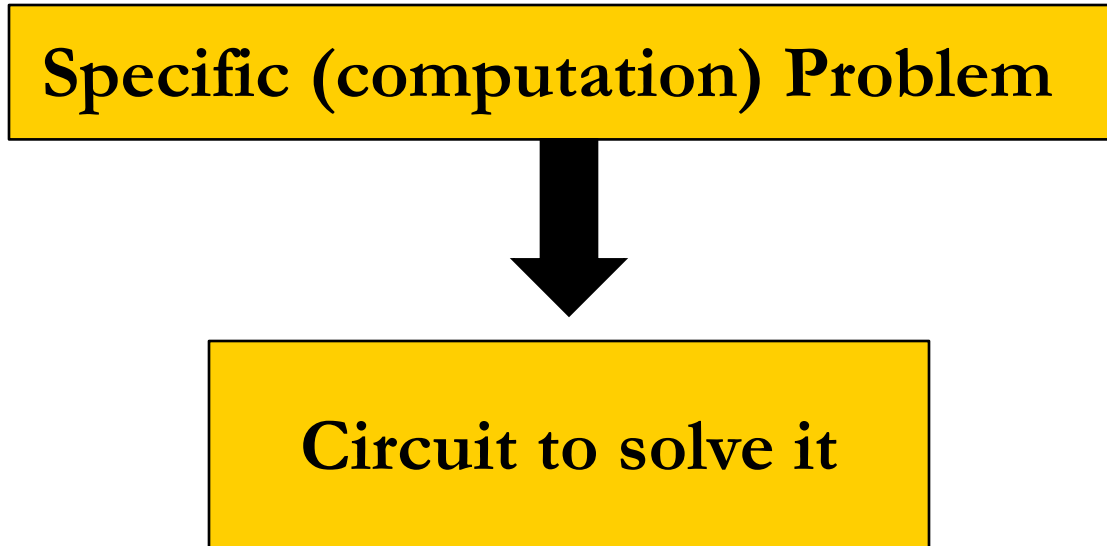
- ❖ Please use the forum as much as possible!
  - ❖ Your classmates benefit from your questions
  - ❖ Your classmates can answer your questions
  - ❖ I will check the forum daily
- ❖ I will attempt to respond to emails within 24 hours

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Let's look at the evolution of the modern digital computer ....

# Big Idea behind early ‘computers’

## Fixed Program Model

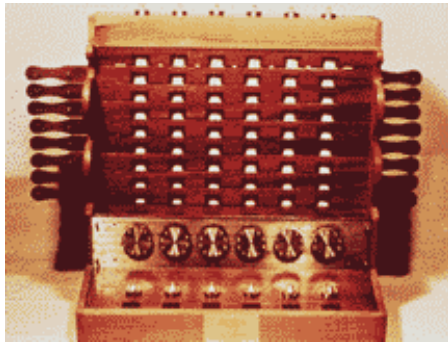


- The ‘program’ was wired into the computing device

# The Evolution of Computing



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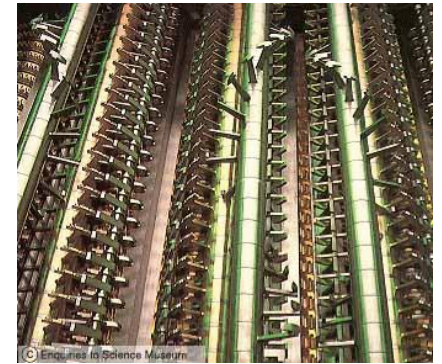


Schickard's Machine

Automated textile looms



Jacquard's Loom



Analytical Engine

2400 BC

17<sup>th</sup> Century

1804

1822

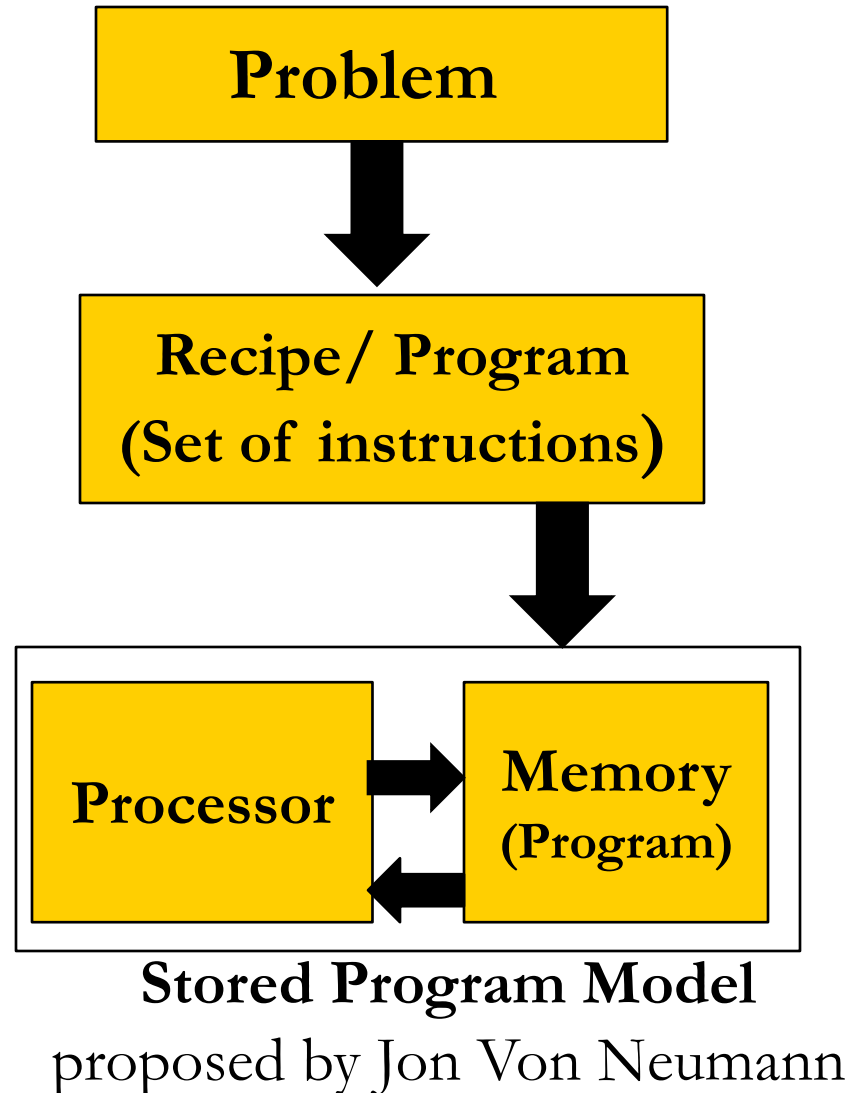
# Next big idea...The stored program model

- **Key Idea(s):**

- Computer divided into two components: Processor and Memory
- Program and data stored in the same place: memory

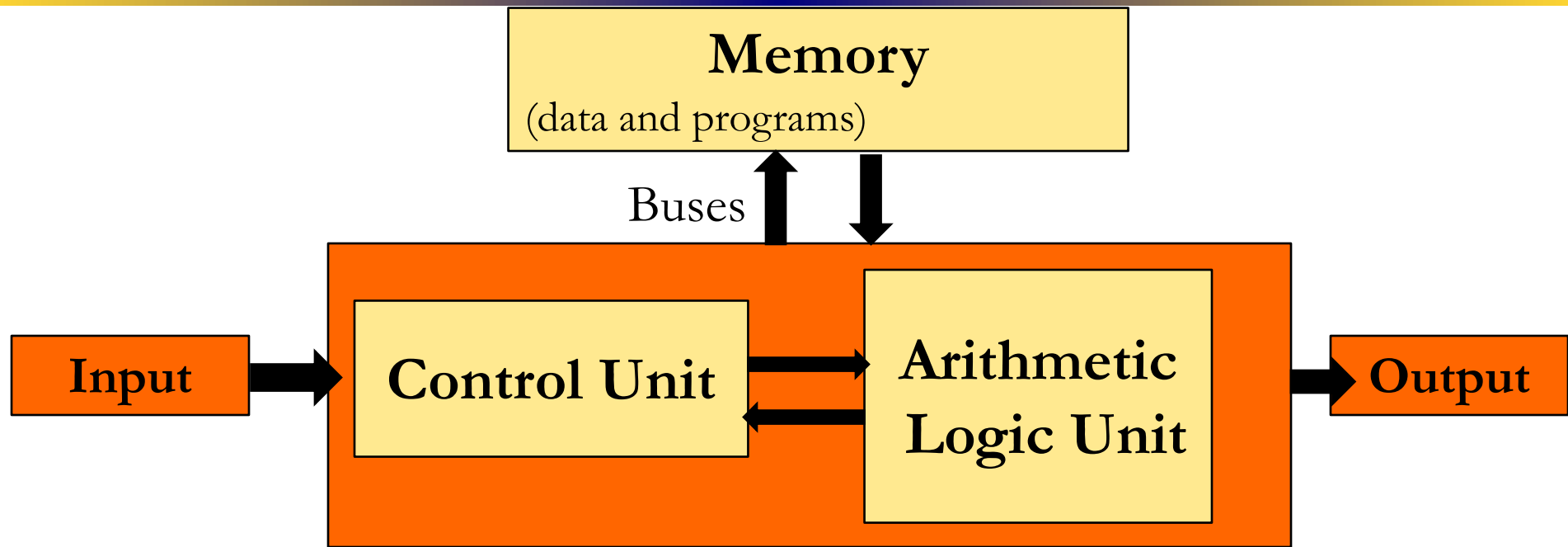
## Have a new problem?

- Don't change the machine
- Change the recipe





# The Von Neumann Architecture



## 4 Basic Components of a Computer:

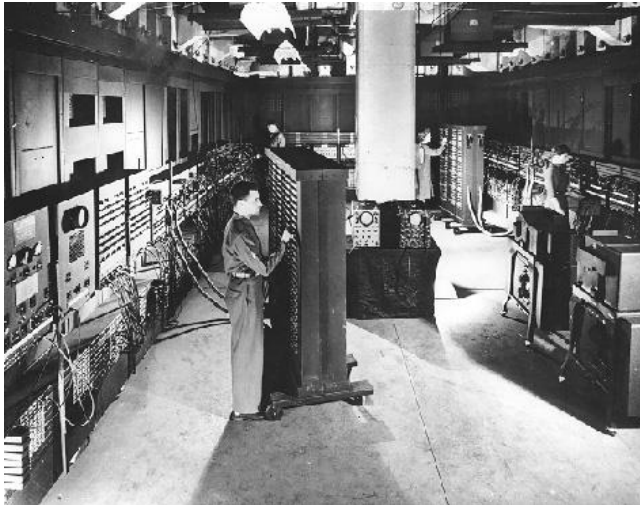
1. **Memory:** a long but finite sequence of cells (1D)
  - Each cell has a distinct address
  - Data in each cell: instruction, data or the address of another cell
2. **Control Unit:** Fetches instructions from memory and decodes them
3. **Arithmetic Logic Unit:** Does simple math operations on data
4. **Input/Output:** The connections with the outside world

# The Evolution of Computing

Revolution:

1<sup>st</sup> Large Scale, General Purpose Electronic Computer

ENIAC



- ❖ More complex electronic circuits
- ❖ Solved more general problems
- ❖ Programming involved configuring external switches or feeding instructions through punched cards

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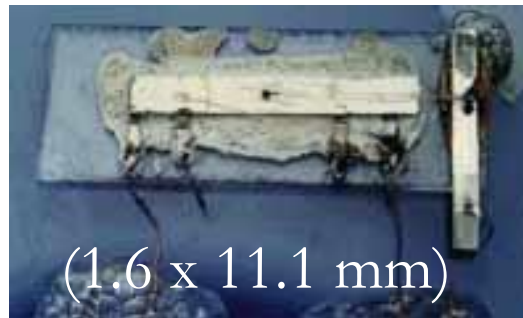
WWII    The stored program model

# The Evolution of Computing

Revolution: Integrated Circuit:

Many digital operations on the same material

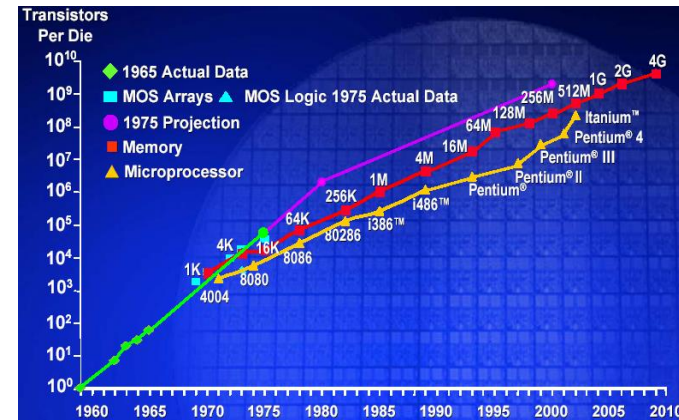
Vacuum tubes



(1.6 x 11.1 mm)

Integrated Circuit

Exponential Growth  
of Computation



Moore's Law

ENIAC  
Stored  
Program  
Model

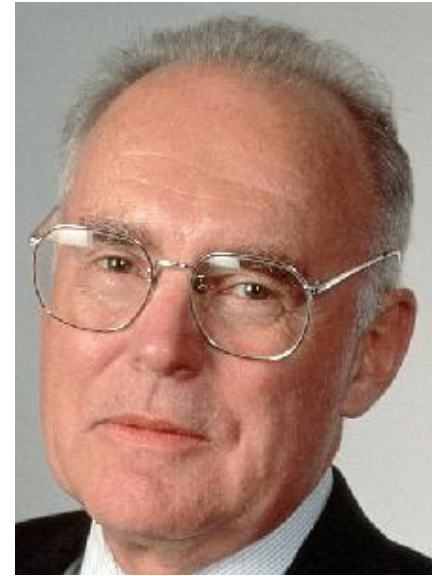
WWII

1949

1965

# Technology Trends: Microprocessor Complexity

Gordon Moore  
Intel Cofounder



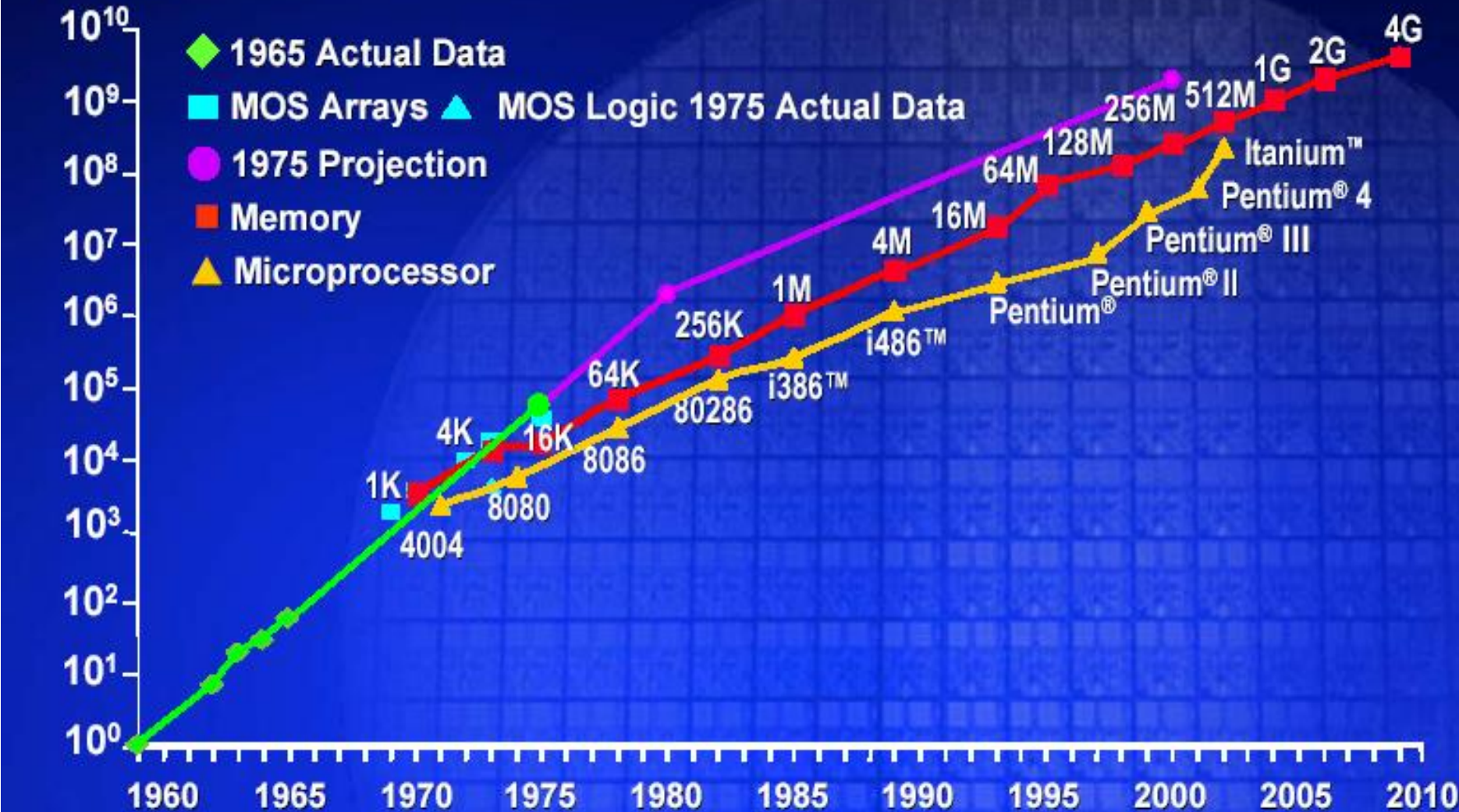
In 1965, Gordon Moore predicted that the number of transistors per chip would double every 18 months (1.5 years)



# Exponential growth in computing

Transistors

Per Die

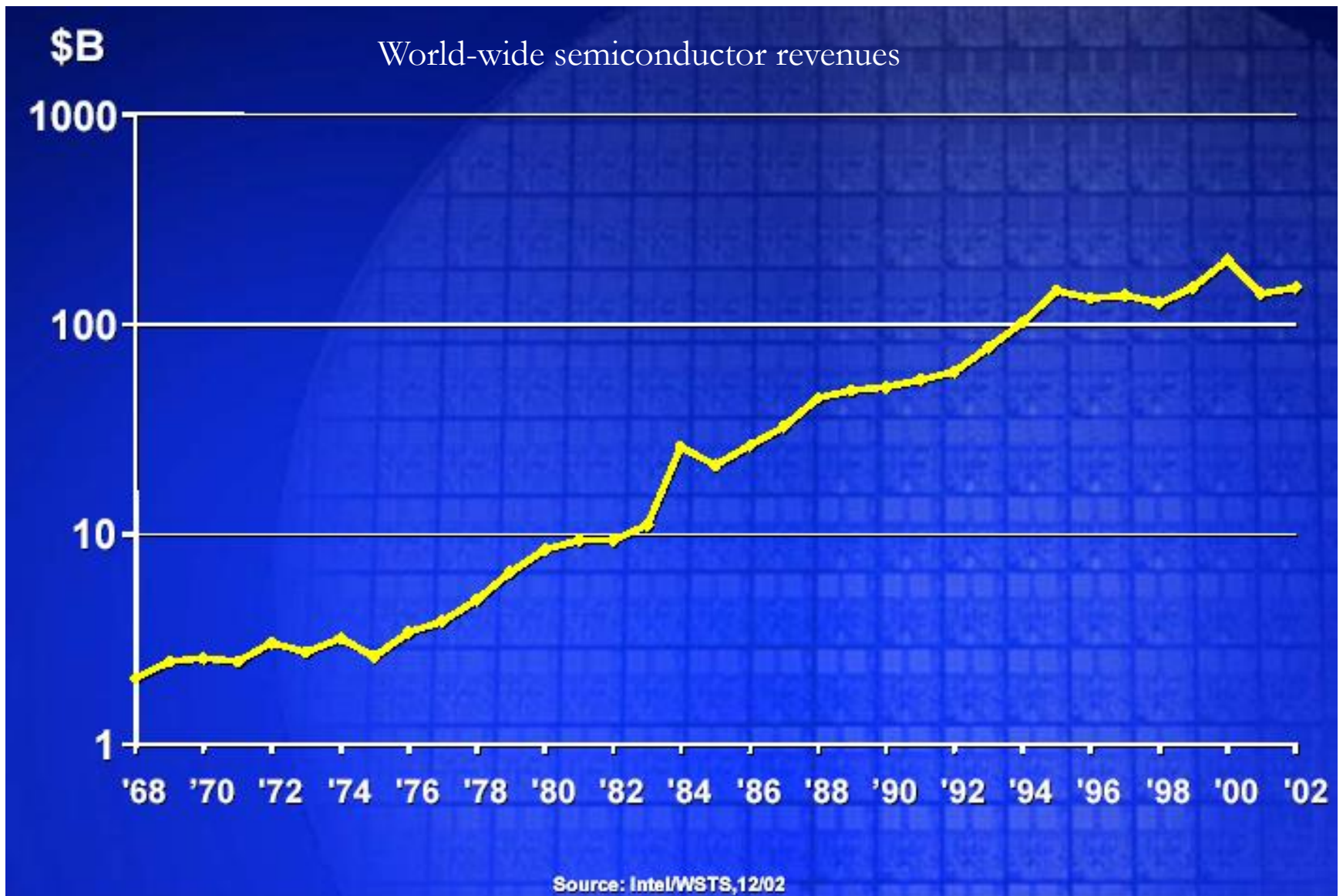


# Side effects of Moore's Law





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# Computer Technology – Dramatic Change!

## ❖ Memory

- ❖ DRAM capacity: 2x / 2 years (since '96);  
64x size improvement in last decade.

## ❖ Processor

- ❖ Speed 2x / 1.5 years (since '85);  
100X performance in last decade.

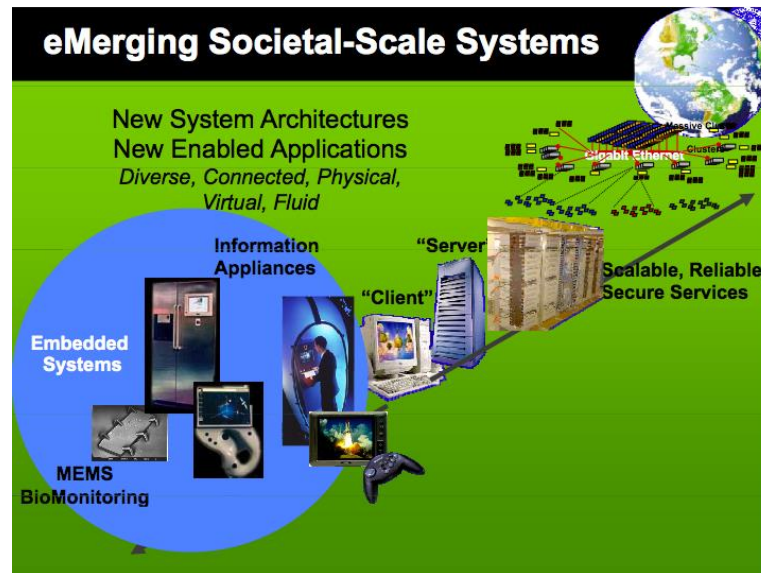
## ❖ Disk

- ❖ Capacity: 2x / 1 year (since '97)  
250X size in last decade.



# Current State of Computing

- ❖ Computers are cheap, embedded everywhere
- ❖ Transition from how to we build computers to how to we use computers

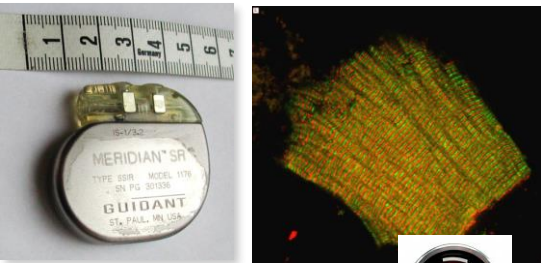


# The Next REvolution

## Ecological Monitoring



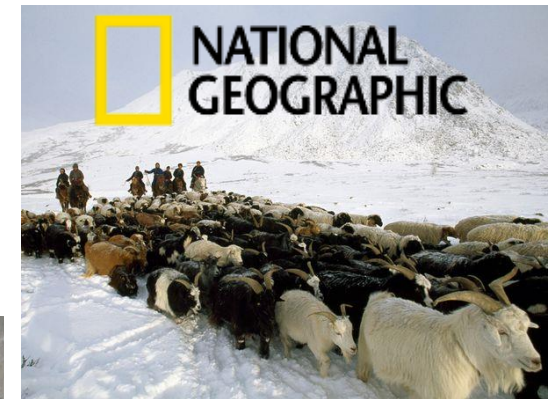
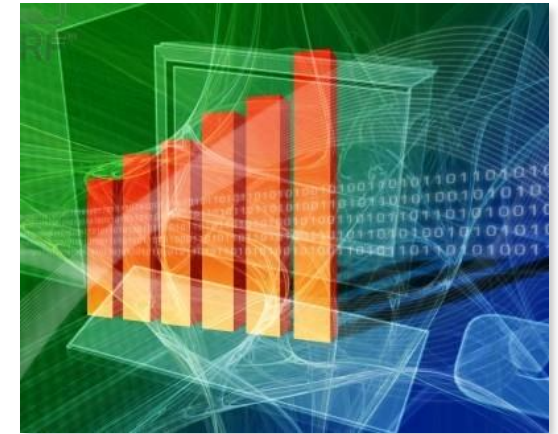
## Biotechnology



## Robotics



## Financial Computation



“The use of [these embedded computers] throughout society could well dwarf previous milestones in the information revolution.”



# Existing Sensors

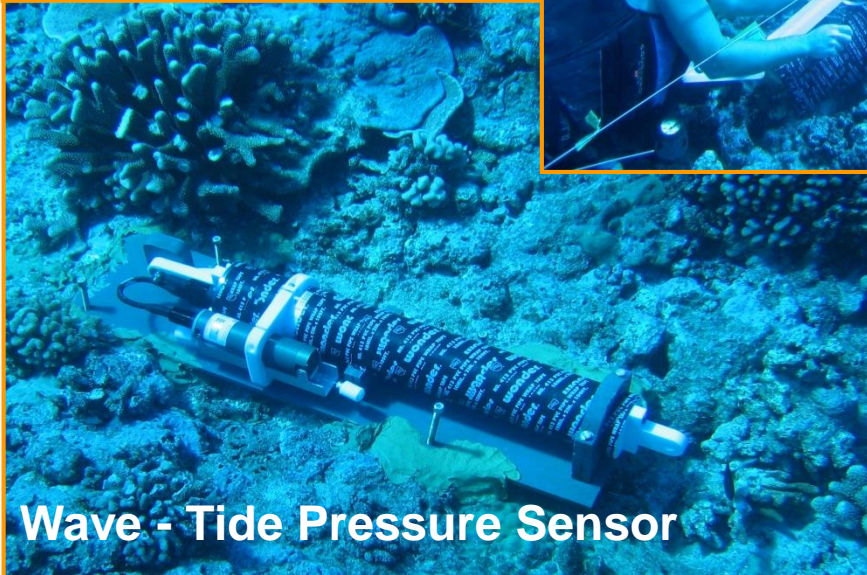
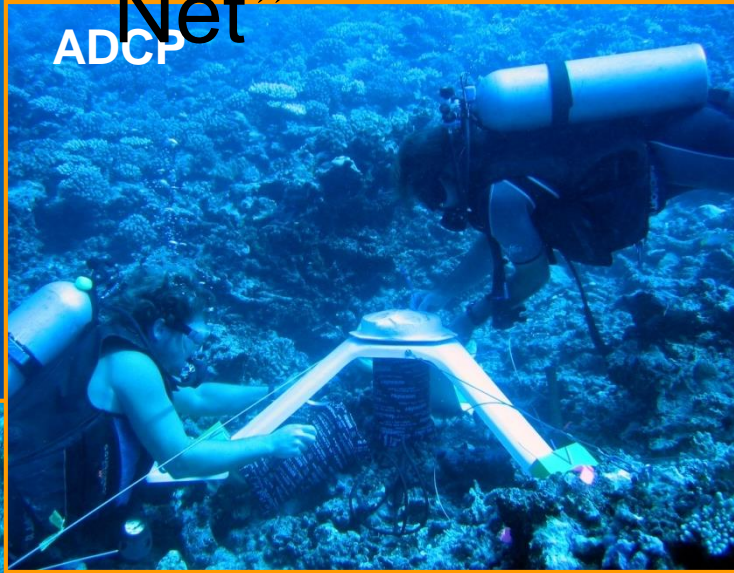
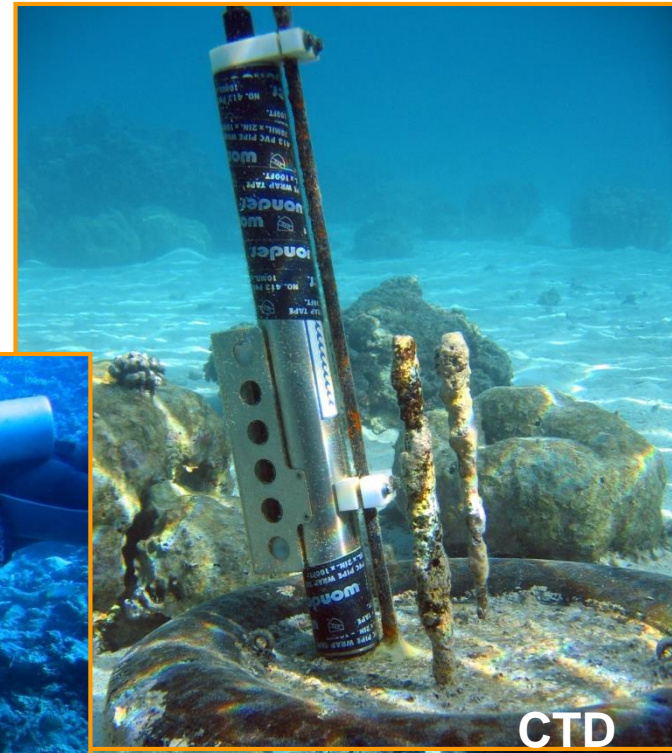
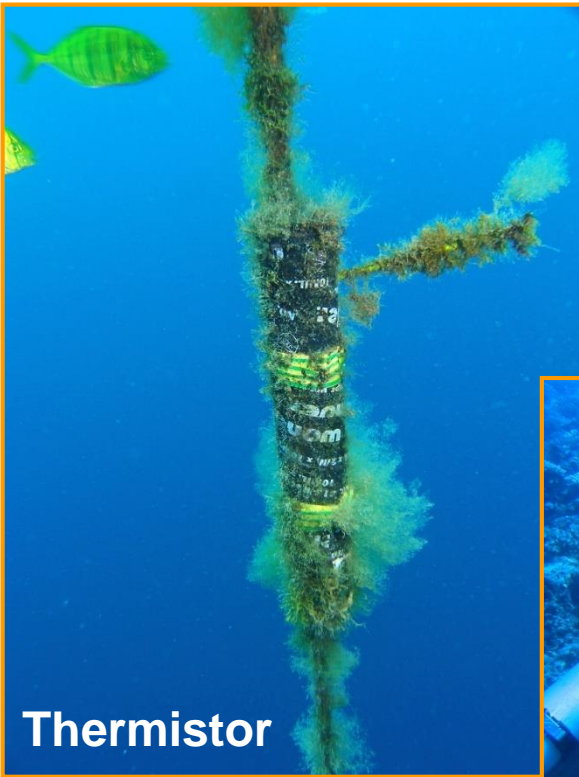
“Flipper Net”

ADCP

Thermistor

CTD

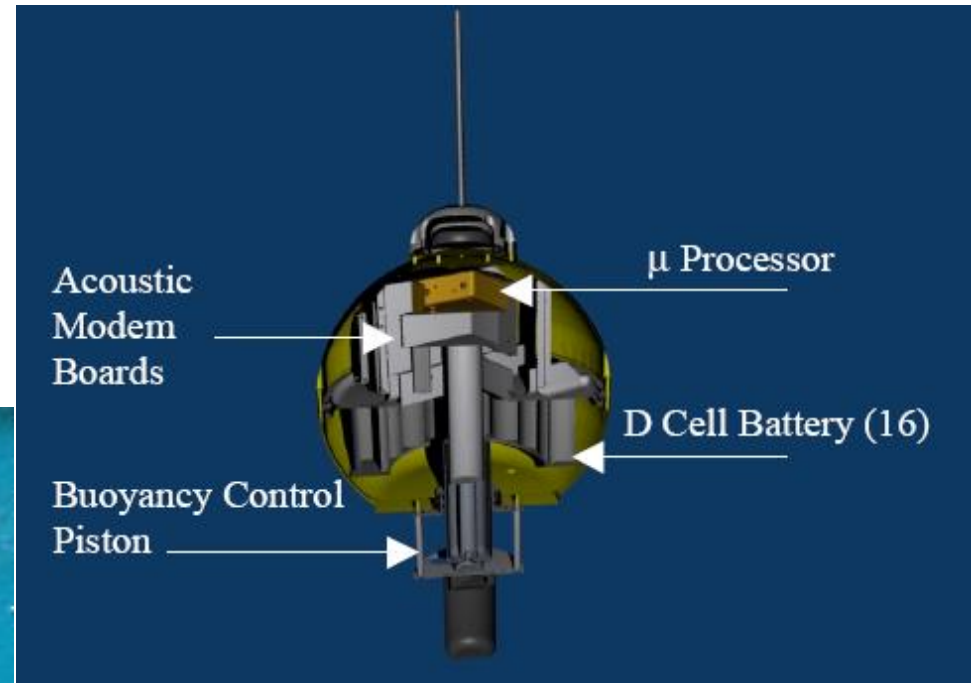
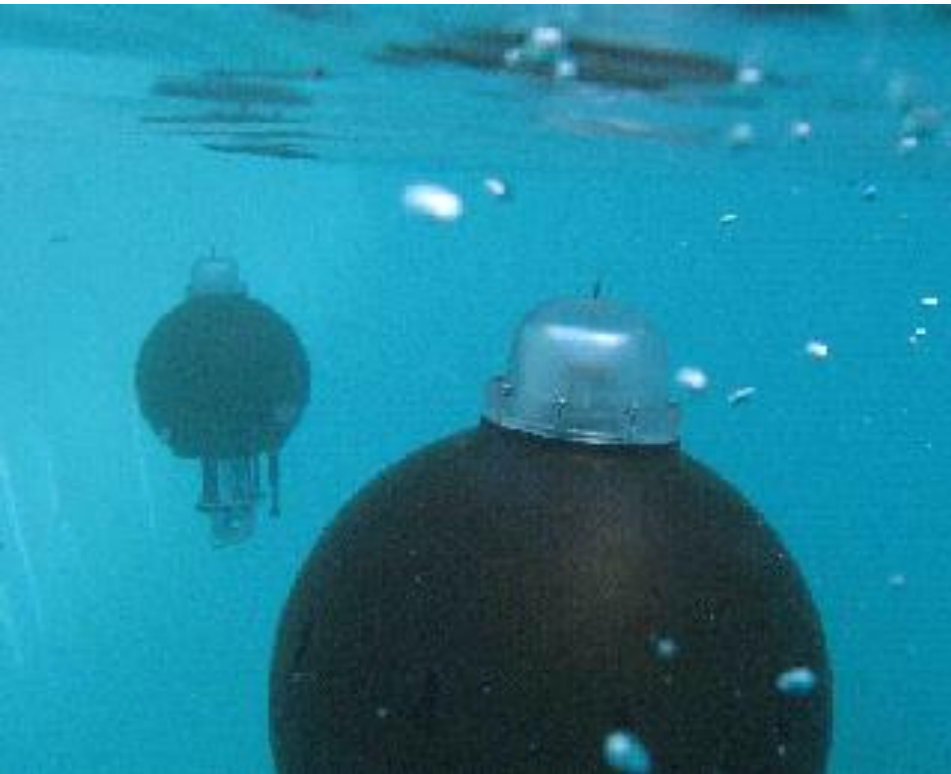
Wave - Tide Pressure Sensor





# Drifters

- ❖ Autonomous Underwater Explorers:  
Self organizing drifters
- ❖ Dynamic, spatiotemporal 3D sampling
- ❖ Track water motions or mimic  
migration behavior of organisms



- ❖ Buoyancy control can follow ocean surface
- ❖ Acoustic modem for 3D localization amongst drifters
- ❖ 25 cm diameter
- ❖ Project in collaboration with Scripps Institution for Oceanography

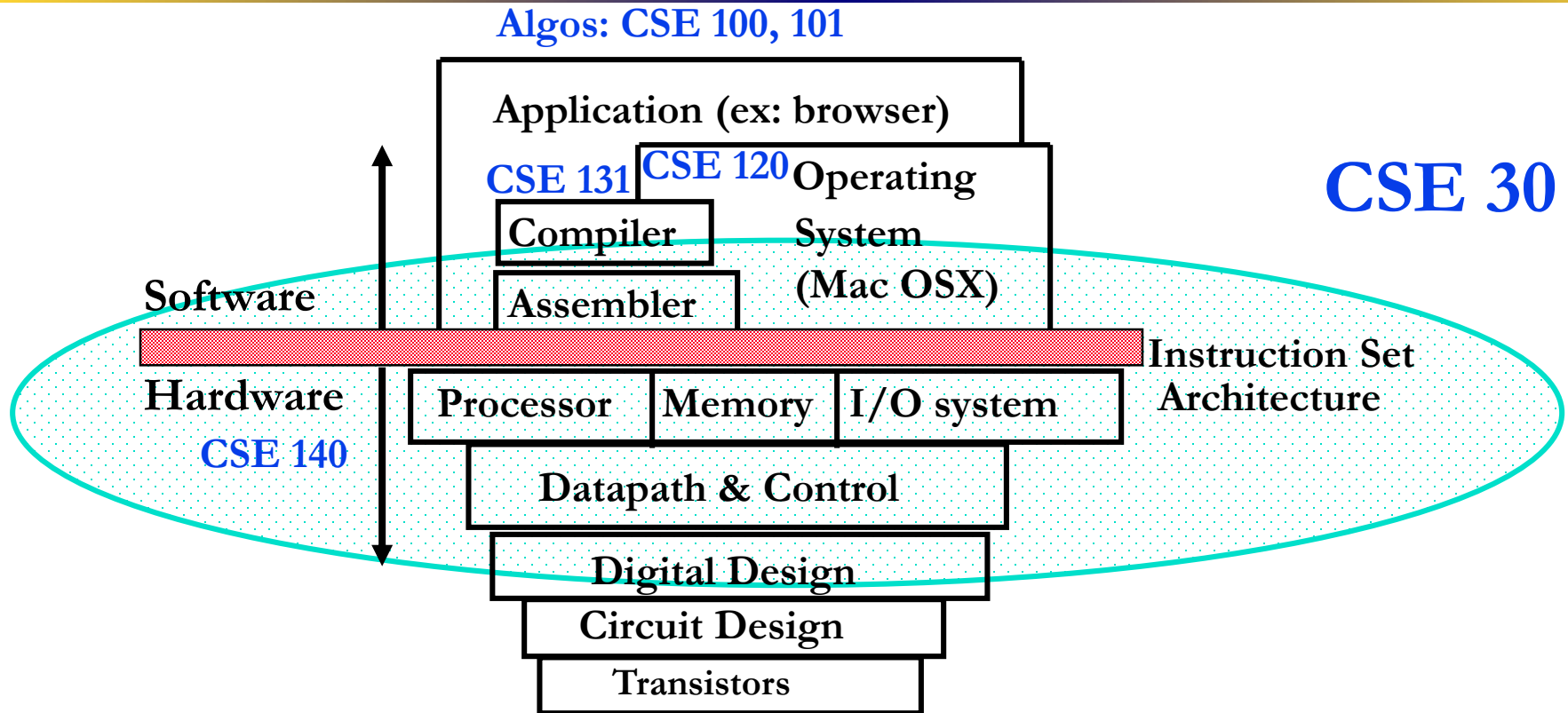


# Computing Systems

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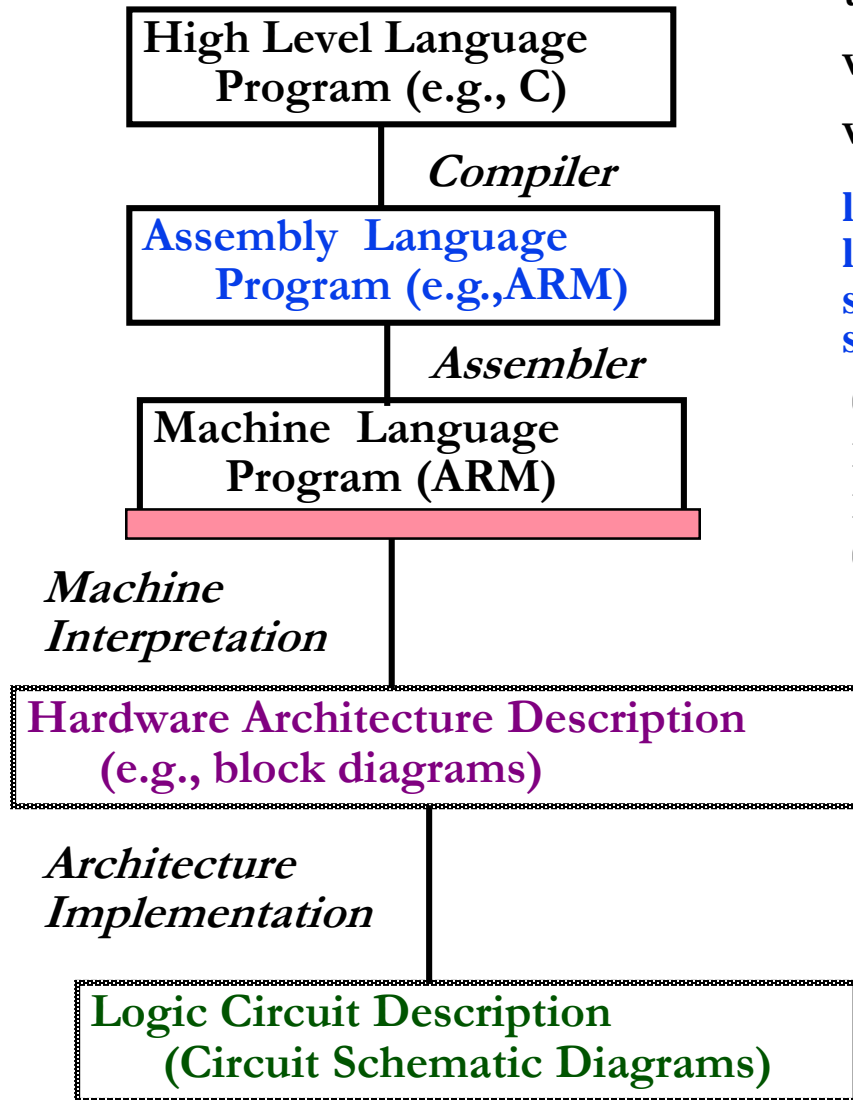
- ❖ Increasingly smaller
- ❖ Higher performance
- ❖ More memory
- ❖ Lower power
- ❖ Embedded
- ❖ Everywhere
- ❖ ...but extremely complex

# How do we handle complexity?



❖ Big idea: Coordination of many *levels of abstraction*

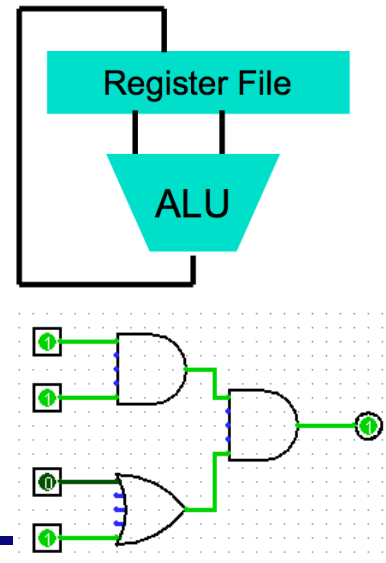
# Levels of Representation



```
temp = v[k];  
v[k] = v[k+1];  
v[k+1] = temp;
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```
ldr r0, [r2]  
ldr r1, [r2, #4]  
str r1, [r2]  
str r0, [r2, #4]
```

```
0000 1001 1100 0110 1010 1111 0101 1000  
1010 1111 0101 1000 0000 1001 1100 0110  
1100 0110 1010 1111 0101 1000 0000 1001  
0101 1000 0000 1001 1100 0110 1010 1111
```





# Abstraction is good – but ...

- ❖ We still need to understand the system!
- ❖ As a programmer you will be manipulating data.
- ❖ Data can be anything: numbers (integers, floating points), text, pictures, video !
- ❖ Writing efficient code involves understanding how “data” and programs are actually represented in memory
- ❖ Next class we'll talk about the bits and bytes of data: Number representation