

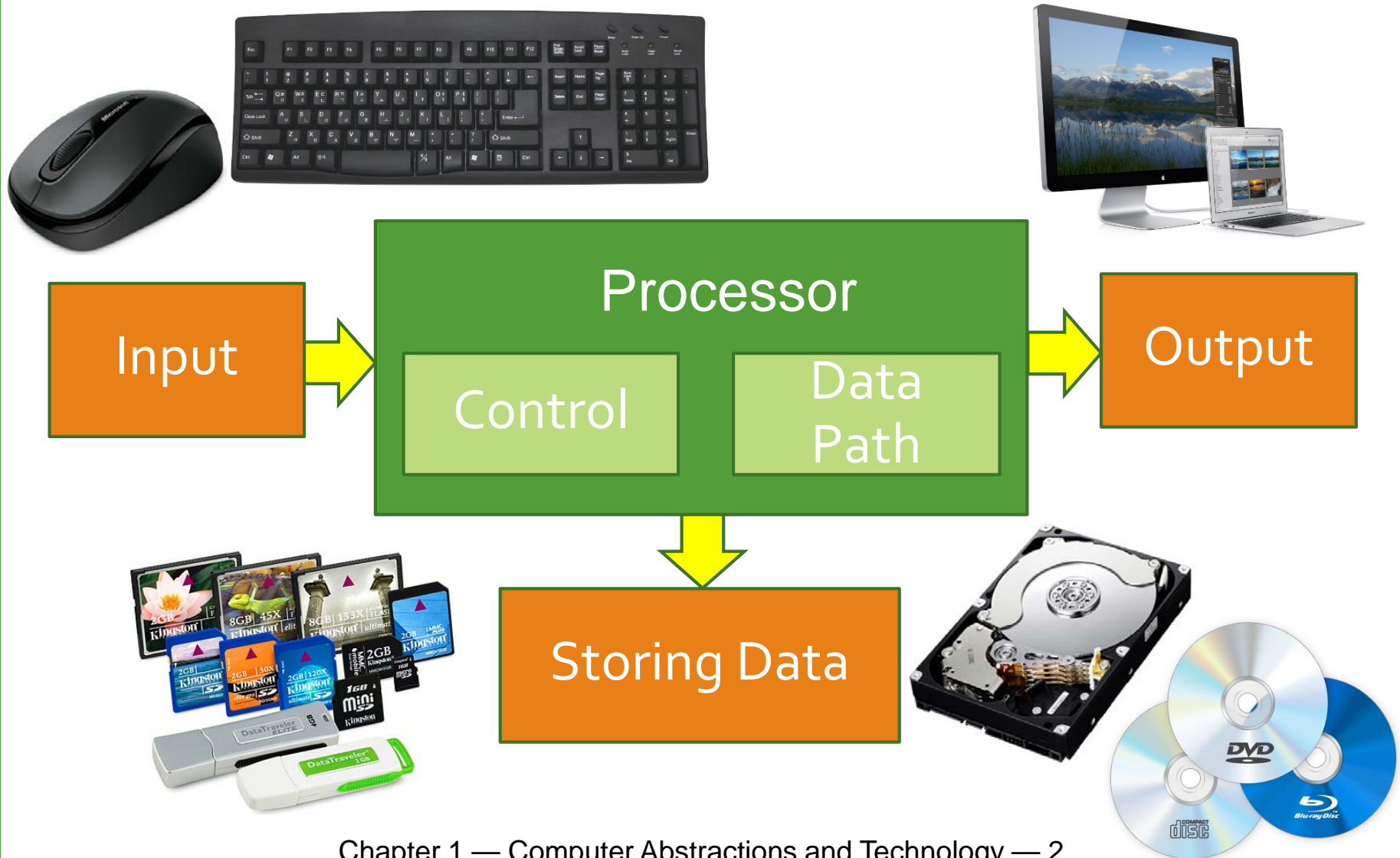
# CHAPTER 1

Computer Abstraction and Technology

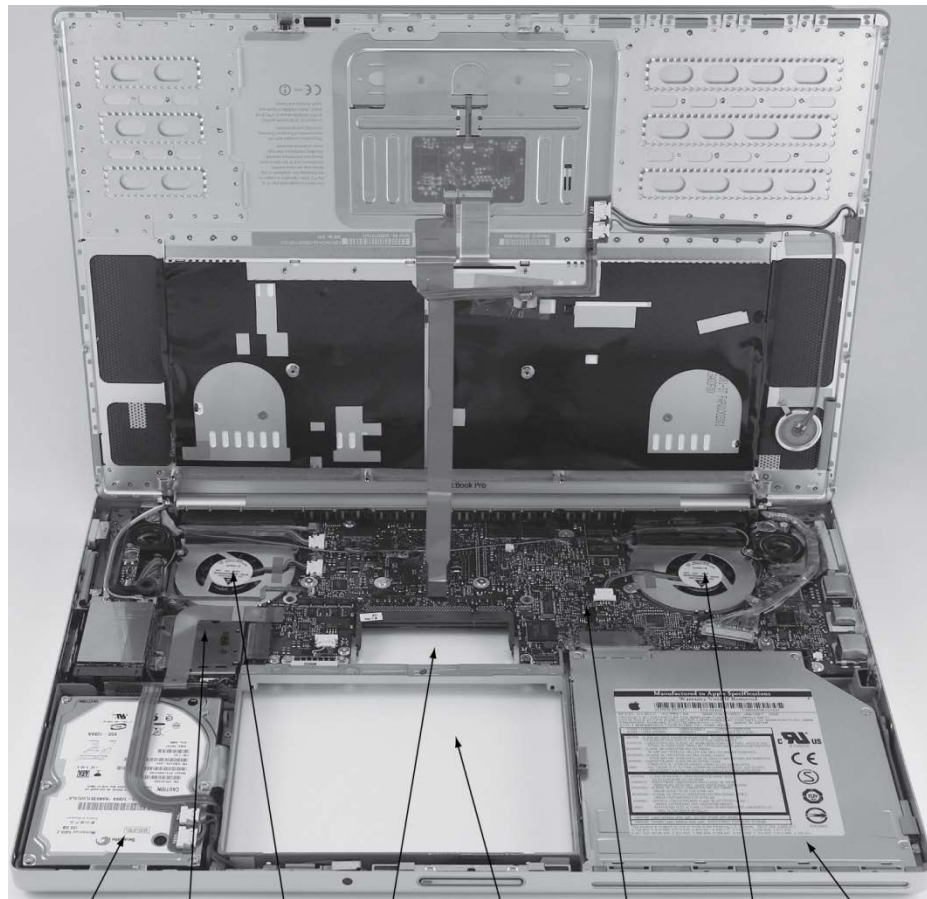
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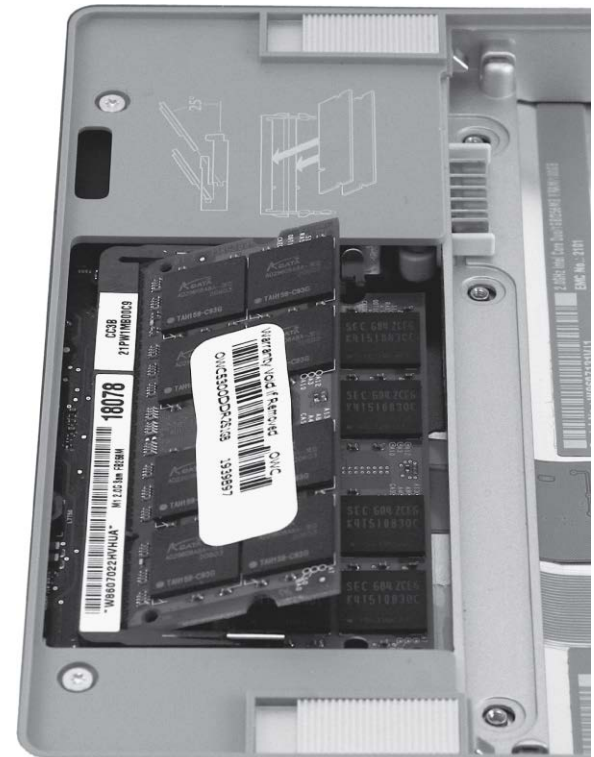
# Components of a Computer



# Opening the Box



Hard drive   Processor   Fan with cover   Spot for memory DIMMs   Spot for battery   Motherboard   Fan with cover   DVD drive cover



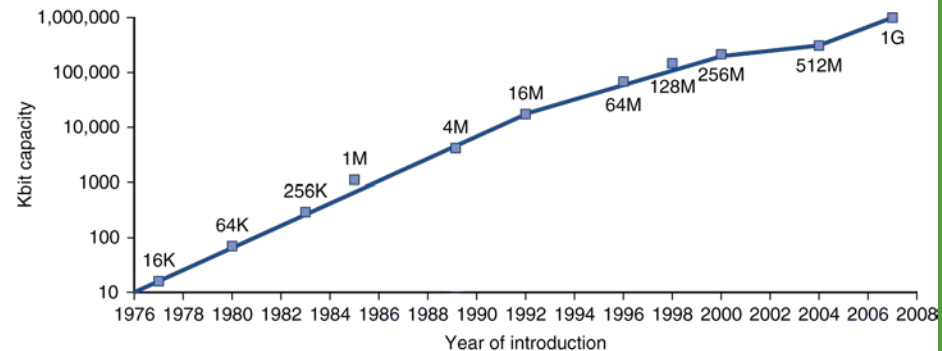
# Inside the Processor (CPU)

There are 3 components;

- Datapath: performs operations on data
- Control: commands datapath, memory, and I/O devices.
- Cache memory
  - Small fast SRAM memory for immediate access to data

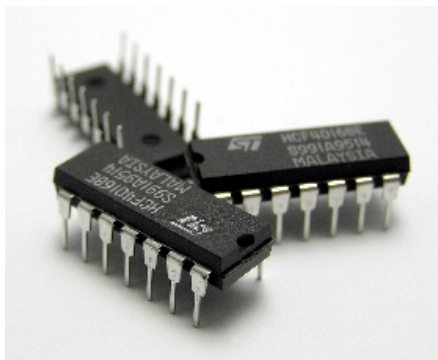
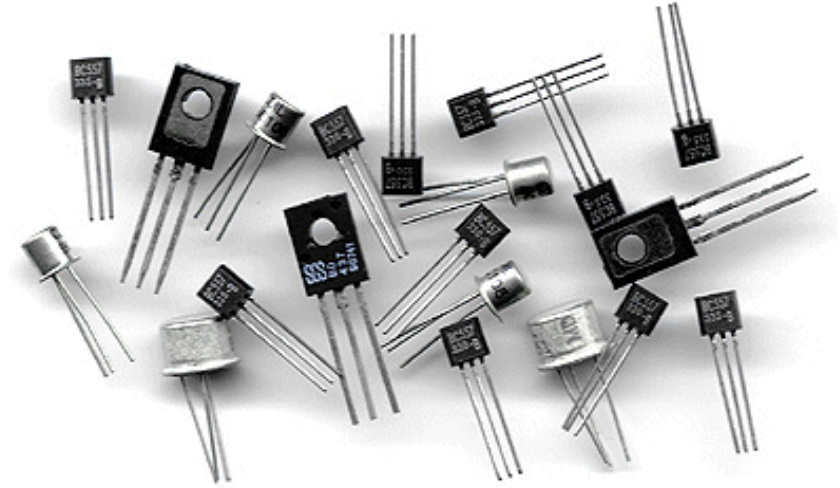
# Technology Trends

- Electronics technology continues to evolve
  - Increased capacity and performance
  - Reduced cost



DRAM capacity

Year	Technology	Relative performance/cost
1951	Vacuum tube	1
1965	Transistor	35
1975	Integrated circuit (IC)	900
1995	Very large scale IC (VLSI)	2,400,000
2005	Ultra large scale IC	6,200,000,000

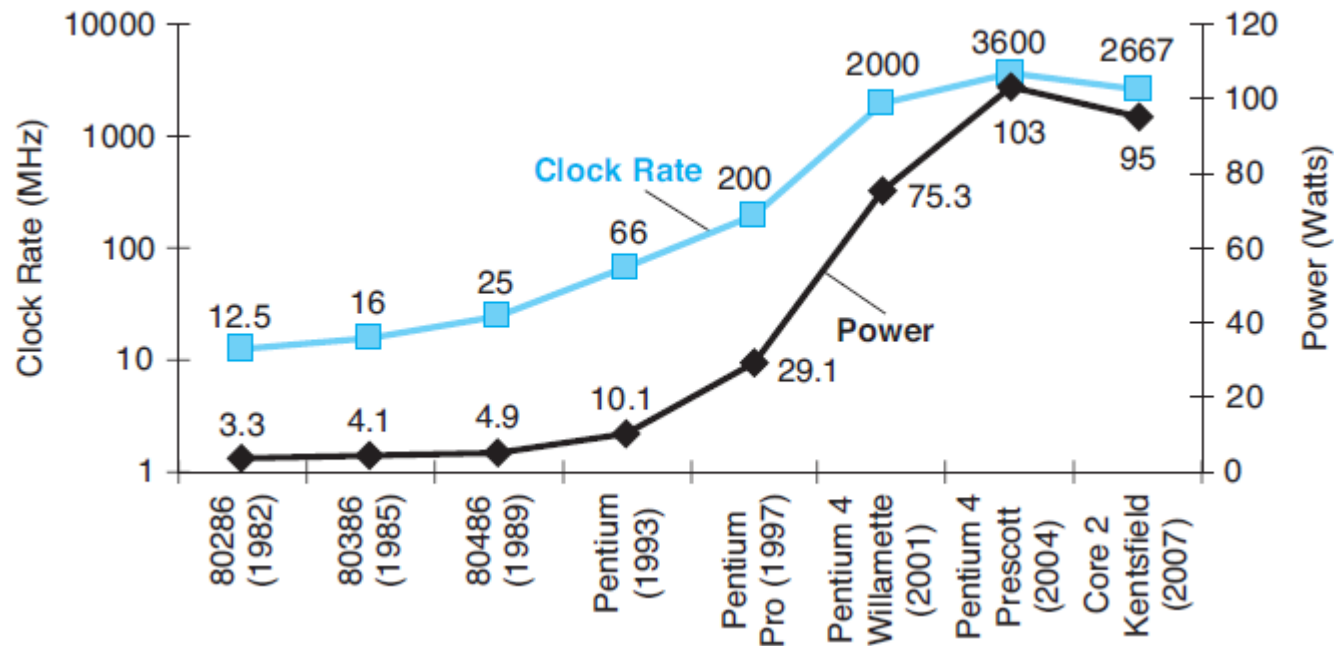




# The Computer Revolution

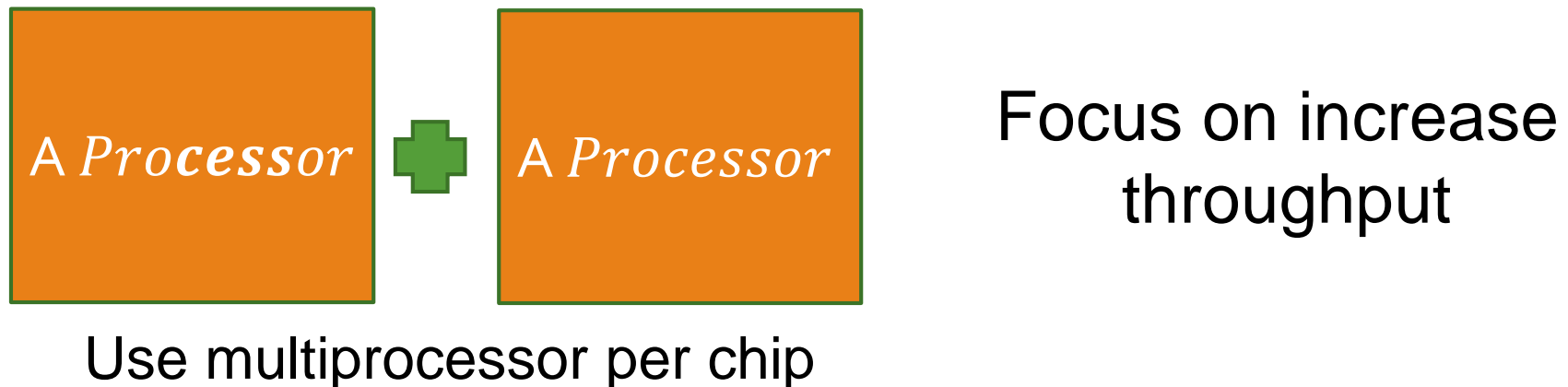
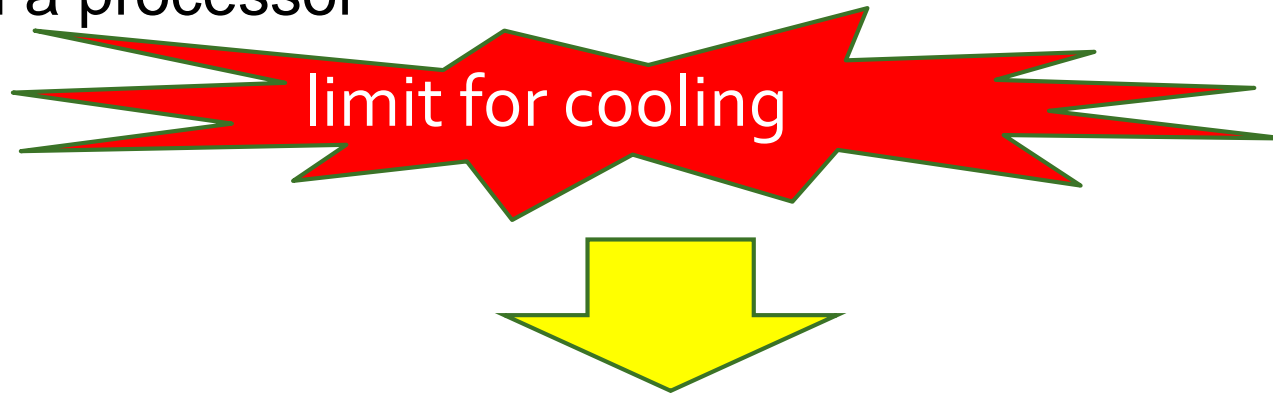
- Progress in computer technology
  - Underpinned by Moore's Law
  - **Moore's law** is the observation that the number of transistors in a dense integrated circuit doubles approximately every two years.
    - [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moore's\\_law](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Moore's_law)
  - **Moore's Law Inspires Intel Innovation**



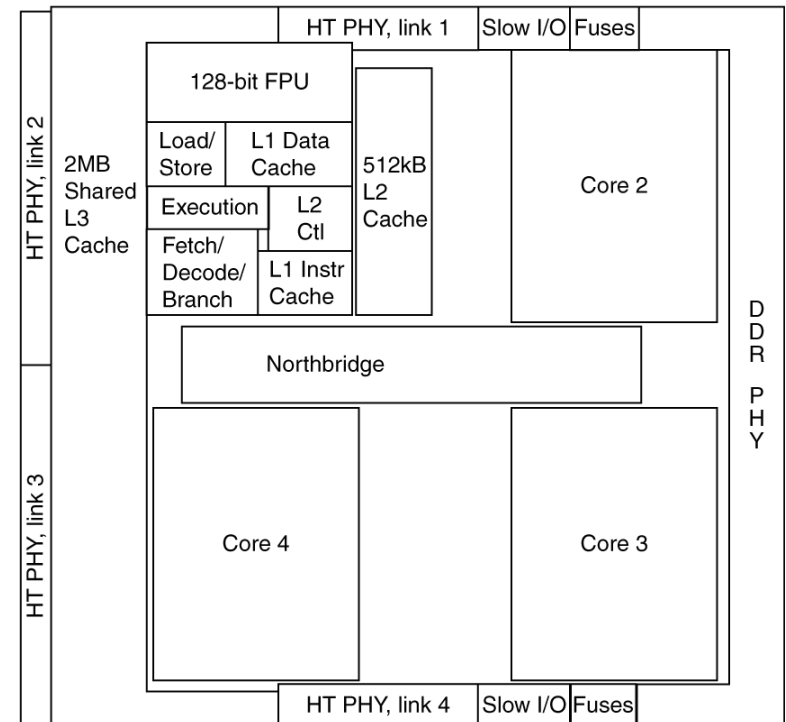
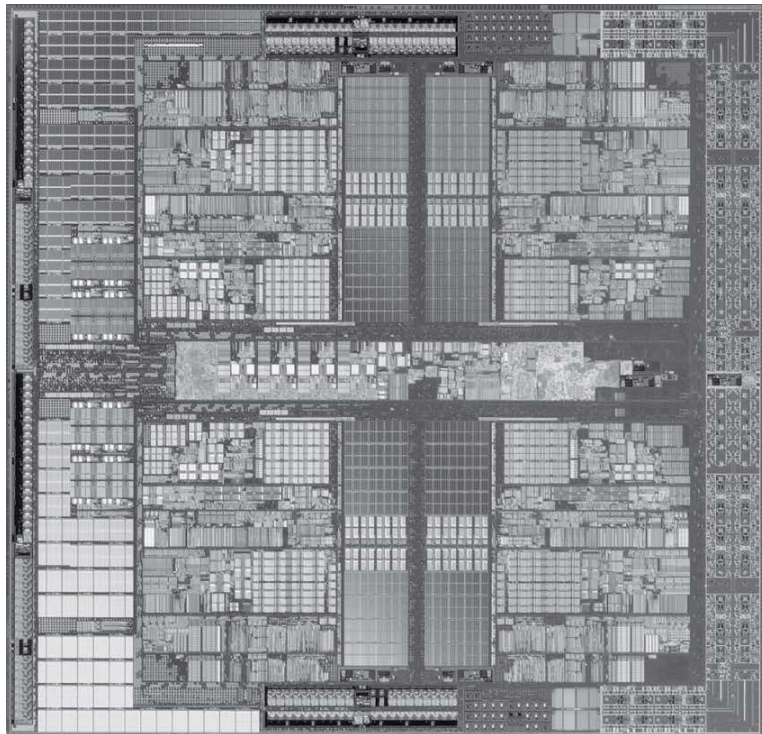


- CLOCK RATE and POWER are correlated
- They increased rapidly for decades, and then flattened off recently.
- we have run into the practical power limit for cooling commodity microprocessors.





# Inside the Processor



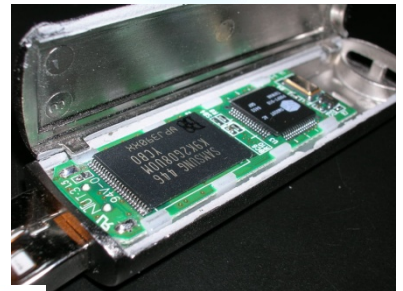
# MULTIPROCESSOR

- To reduce confusion between the words processor and microprocessor, companies refer to processors as “cores,”
  - “quadcore” microprocessor is a chip that contains four processors or four cores.
- The official plan of record for many companies is to double the number of cores about every two years (Moore’s Law)

- programmers need to rewrite their programs to take advantage of multiple processors = harder
  - Program need to be correct.
  - Program need to be divided, so each processor has roughly the same amount to do at the same time.
    - Scheduling
    - Load balancing
    - Time for synchronization
    - Overhead for communication

# A Safe Place for Data

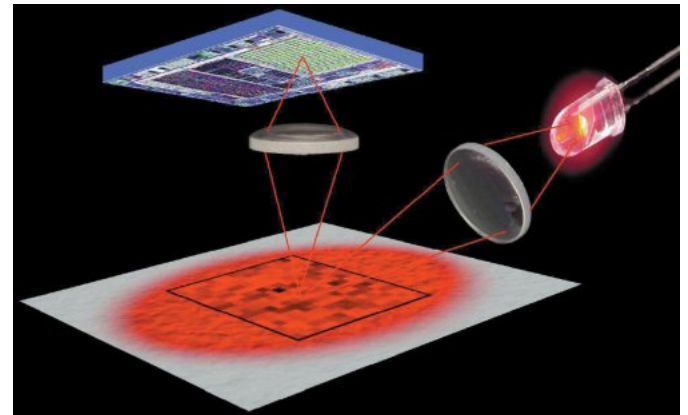
- Volatile main memory
  - Loses instructions and data when power off
- Non-volatile secondary memory
  - Magnetic disk
  - Flash memory
  - Optical disk (CDROM, DVD)





# Anatomy of a Mouse

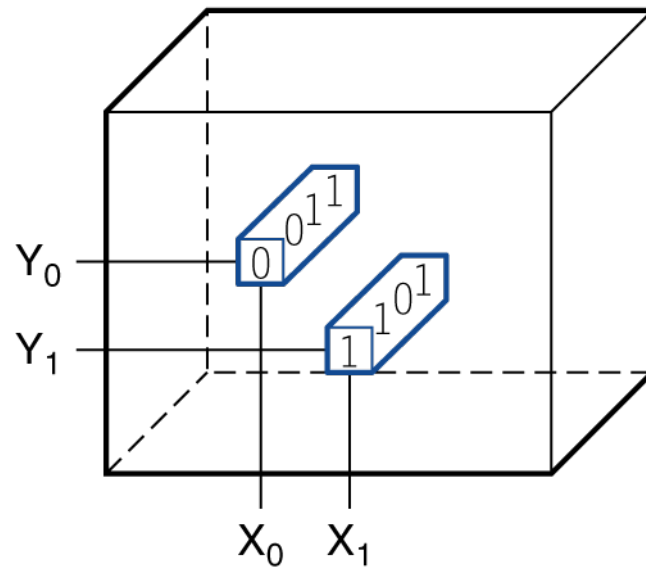
- Optical mouse
  - LED illuminates desktop
  - Small low-res camera
  - Basic image processor
    - Looks for x, y movement
  - Buttons & wheel
- Supersedes roller-ball mechanical mouse



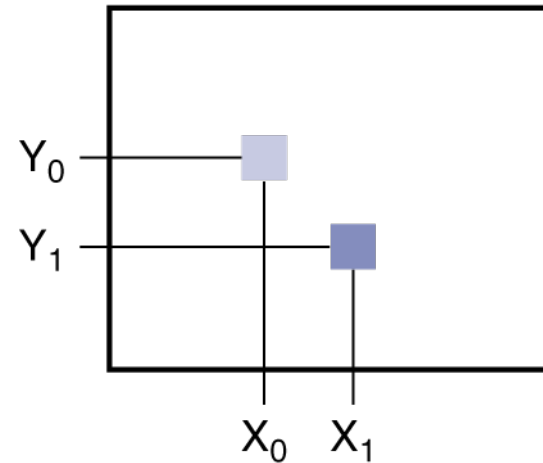
# Monitor

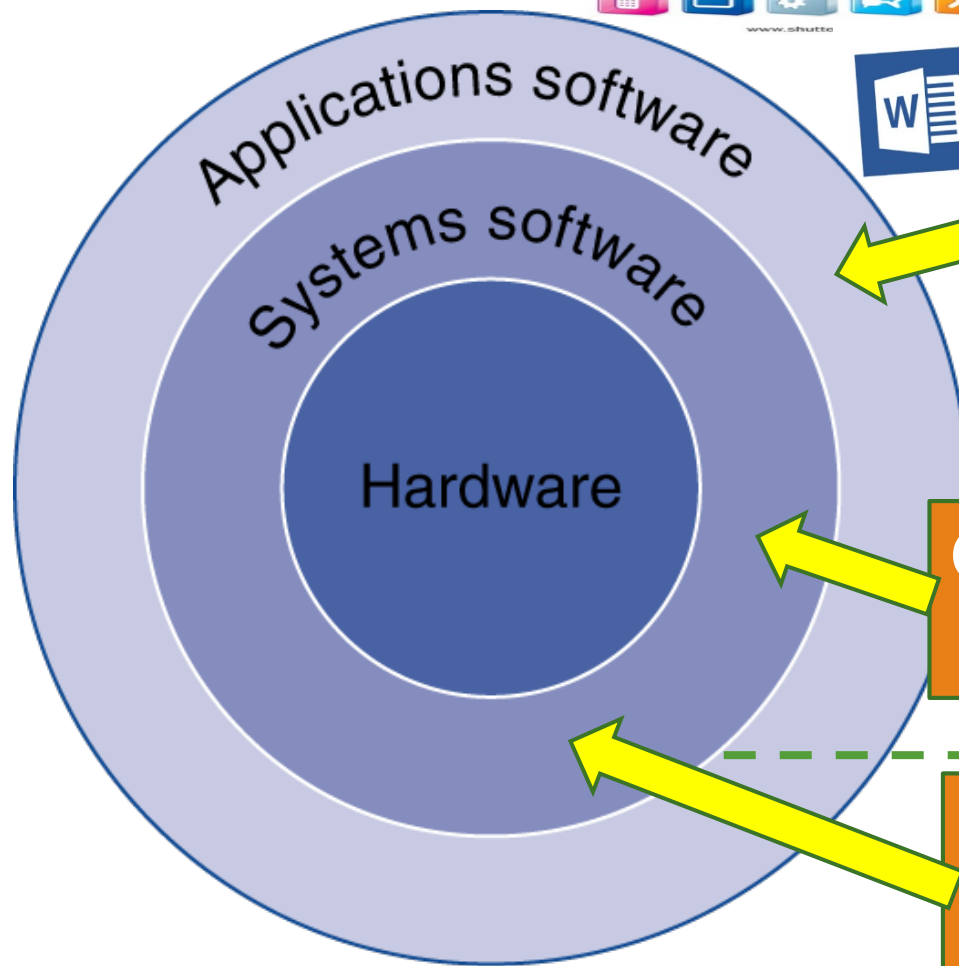


Frame buffer



Raster scan CRT display





Operating System

Compiler

Input-Output

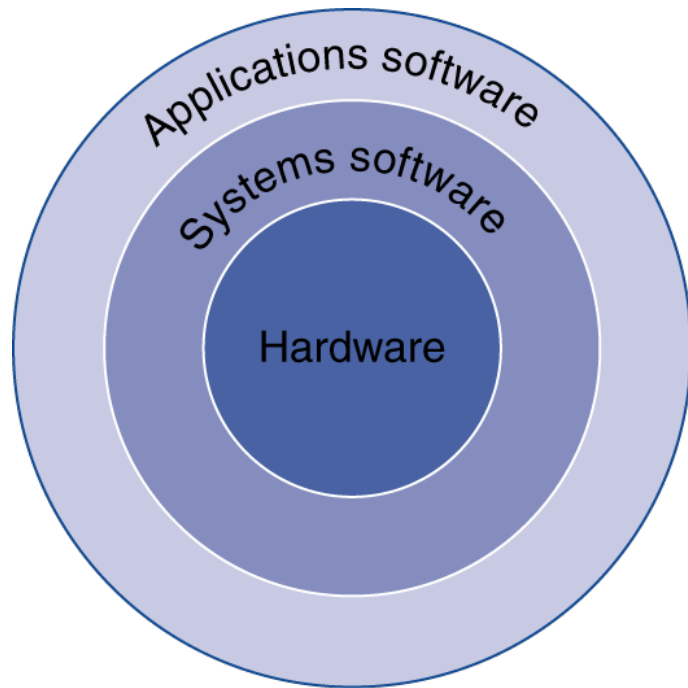
Storage-Memory

Sharing Computer

Simultaneously

Translate High-LL to Low-LL

Software



High-level  
language  
program  
(in C)

```
swap(int v[], int k)
{int temp;
  temp = v[k];
  v[k] = v[k+1];
  v[k+1] = temp;
}
```

Compiler

Assembly  
language  
program  
(for MIPS)

```
swap:
    muli $2, $5, 4
    add  $2, $4, $2
    lw   $15, 0($2)
    lw   $16, 4($2)
    sw   $16, 0($2)
    sw   $15, 4($2)
    jr   $31
```

Assembler

Binary machine  
language  
program  
(for MIPS)

```
000000001010000100000000000011000
000000000000110000001100000100001
100011000110001000000000000000000
100011001111001000000000000000100
101011001111001000000000000000000
101011000110001000000000000000100
00000011111000000000000000001000
```

# Levels of Program Code

- High-level language
  - Level of abstraction closer to problem domain
  - Provides for productivity and portability
- Assembly language
  - Textual representation of instructions
- Hardware representation
  - Binary digits (bits)
  - Encoded instructions and data

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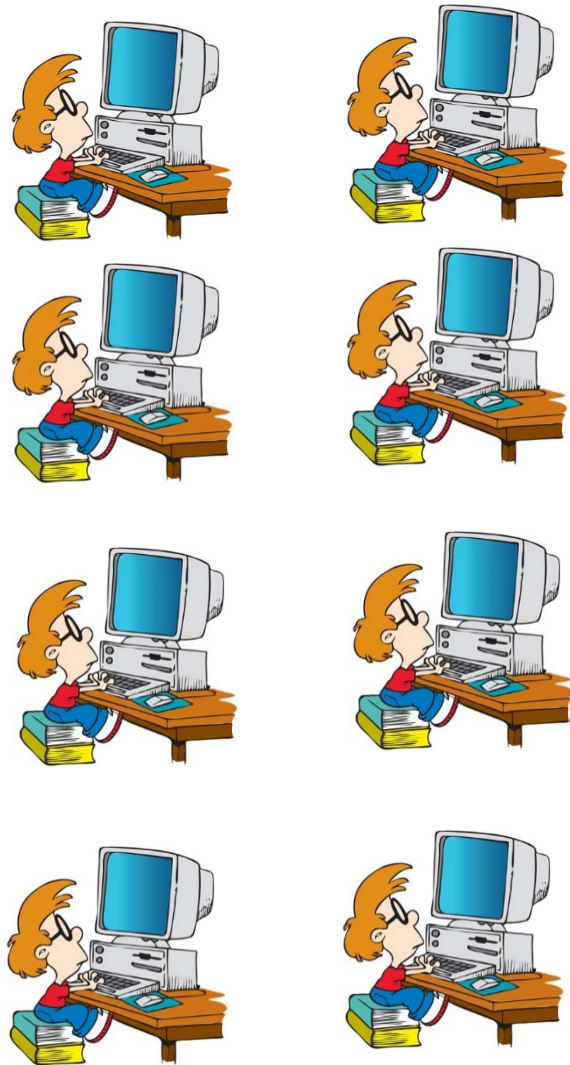


Network



VS

Parallel Computing



# Networks

- Communication and resource sharing
- Local area network (LAN): Ethernet
  - Within a building
- Wide area network (WAN: the Internet
- Wireless network: WiFi, Bluetooth



# Classes of Computers



Personal  
Computer

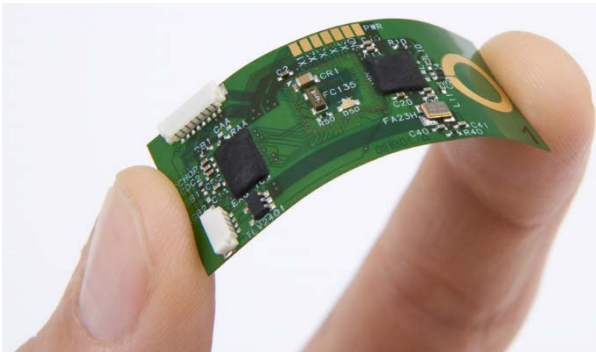
Good performance  
for single user



Server  
computers,  
Data  
Center

Usually access  
by network

Large Workload  
(computing +  
input-output  
capacity)

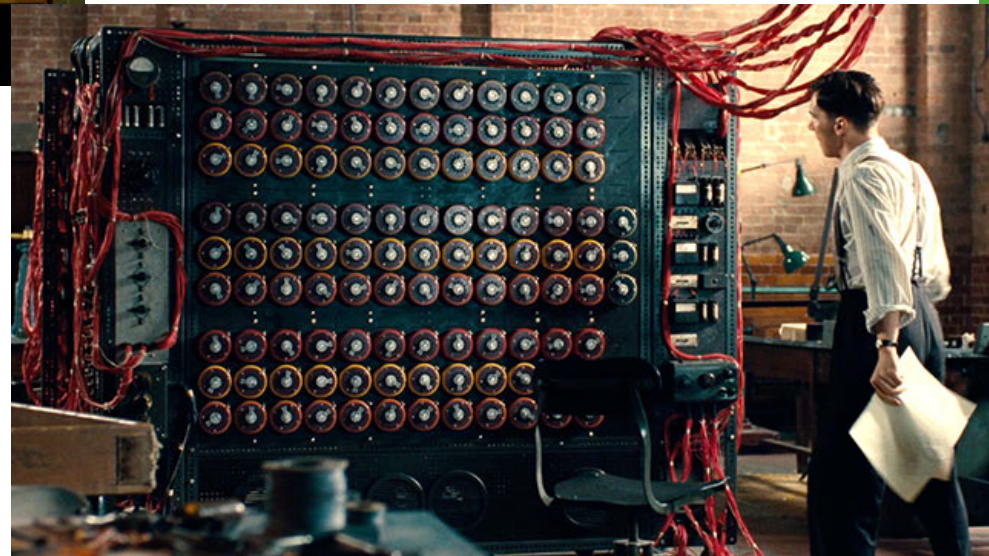


Embedding  
System

Microprocessor  
designed for  
one application

# The Computer Revolution

- Computer History
- Kids React to Old Computers

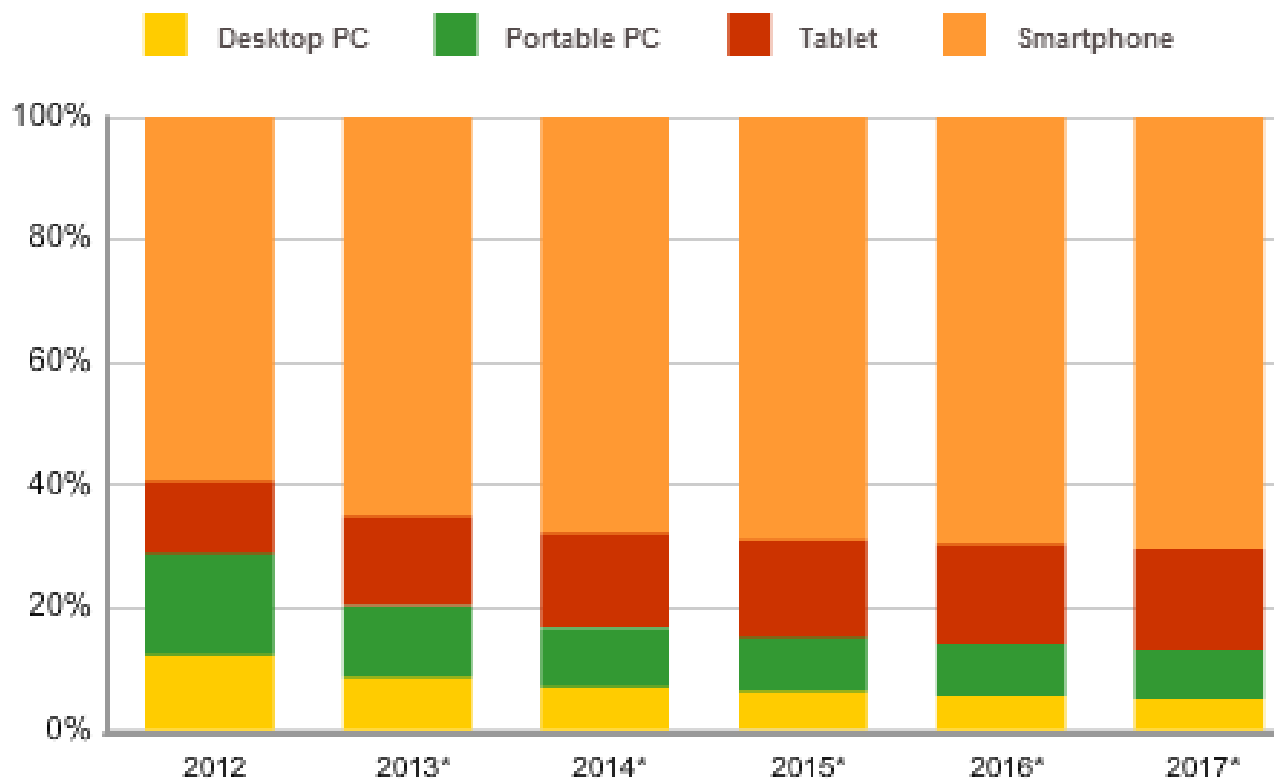


# The Computer Revolution

- Makes novel applications feasible
  - Computers in automobiles
  - Cell phones
  - Human genome project, Medical
  - World Wide Web
  - Search Engines
  - Military
- Computers are pervasive
- The new bionics that let us run, climb and dance



## Worldwide Smart Connected Device Forecast\* Market Share by Product Category, 2012-2017



<http://www.forbes.com/sites/louiscolumnbus/2013/09/12/idc-87-of-connected-devices-by-2017-will-be-tablets-and-smartphones/>