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Parallel Application Development With Eclipse

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What do we mean by “parallel”?

- Hardware

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Parallel hardware

embedded

small-medium clusters

“big iron” supercomputers

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Parallel hardware (cont…)

- Embedded
  - Usually small number of processes (< 8)
  - Tightly coupled (memory bus or equivalent)
- Common off the shelf (COTS) clusters
  - Usually less than 256 processors
  - Sometimes dual core or SMP nodes
  - Loosely coupled with high-speed interconnect (GigE or Infiniband)
- “Big Iron”
  - 256 - 131,072 processors
  - Clusters, MPP, vector, …
  - Myrinet, Infiniband, Quadrics, proprietary interconnects

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- Software

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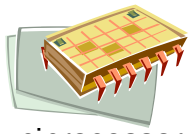
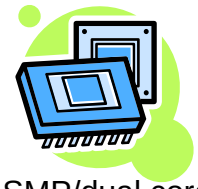
Traditional environment

processor architecture	*operating system*	*user environment*	*programming model*
 uniprocessor		command line	sequential
 SMP/dual core	Windows	GUI	threaded
			

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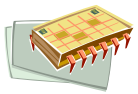
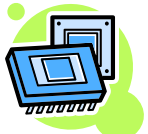
Parallel environment

processor architecture	*parallel architecture*	*operating system*	*runtime system*	*job scheduler*	*user environment*	*programming model*
 uniprocessor	cluster		cluster (poe, oscar, rocks, xgrid)	LSF	command line	sequential
	MPP			OpenPBS		threaded
 SMP/ dual core	shared memory		single system image	LoadLeveler	(GUI)	message passing (MPI)
	vector			SLURM		shared memory (OpenMP)
	proprietary		mainframe	Condor		global address space

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PTP environment

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How does PTP help?

- Provides the benefits of an IDE for parallel programmers
- Hides much of the parallel system complexity
- Simplifies the parallel programming task
- Opportunity for new/advanced tools and languages

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PTP ~~1.0~~ 0.9999 components

- Abstract parallel model
  - Machines, nodes, jobs, processes
- Parallel runtime perspective
  - Views: machines, jobs, processes
- Parallel launch
- Parallel debugger
  - Extends and implements CDT CDI
  - External debugger uses high level commands
  - Backend can be gdb, others
- Parallel programming tools (contributed by IBM Research)
  - Currently MPI only
- Fortran development tools

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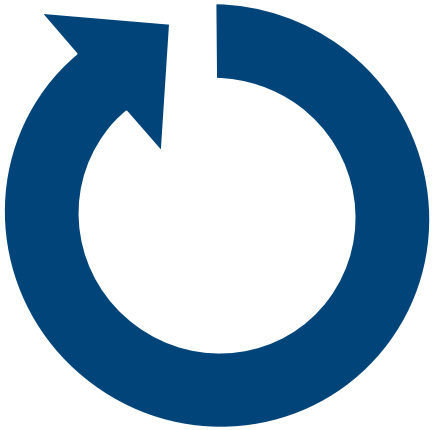
Parallel application development lifecycle

Design & Develop



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Program Development

- Embarrassingly parallel
  - Single program multiple data (SPMD)
- Message passing (MPI)
  - Send/receive
  - Collective opertions (e.g. broadcast, gather)
- C/C++ (CDT)
  - Refactoring is improving…
- Fortran (Photran)
  - No refactoring (yet)

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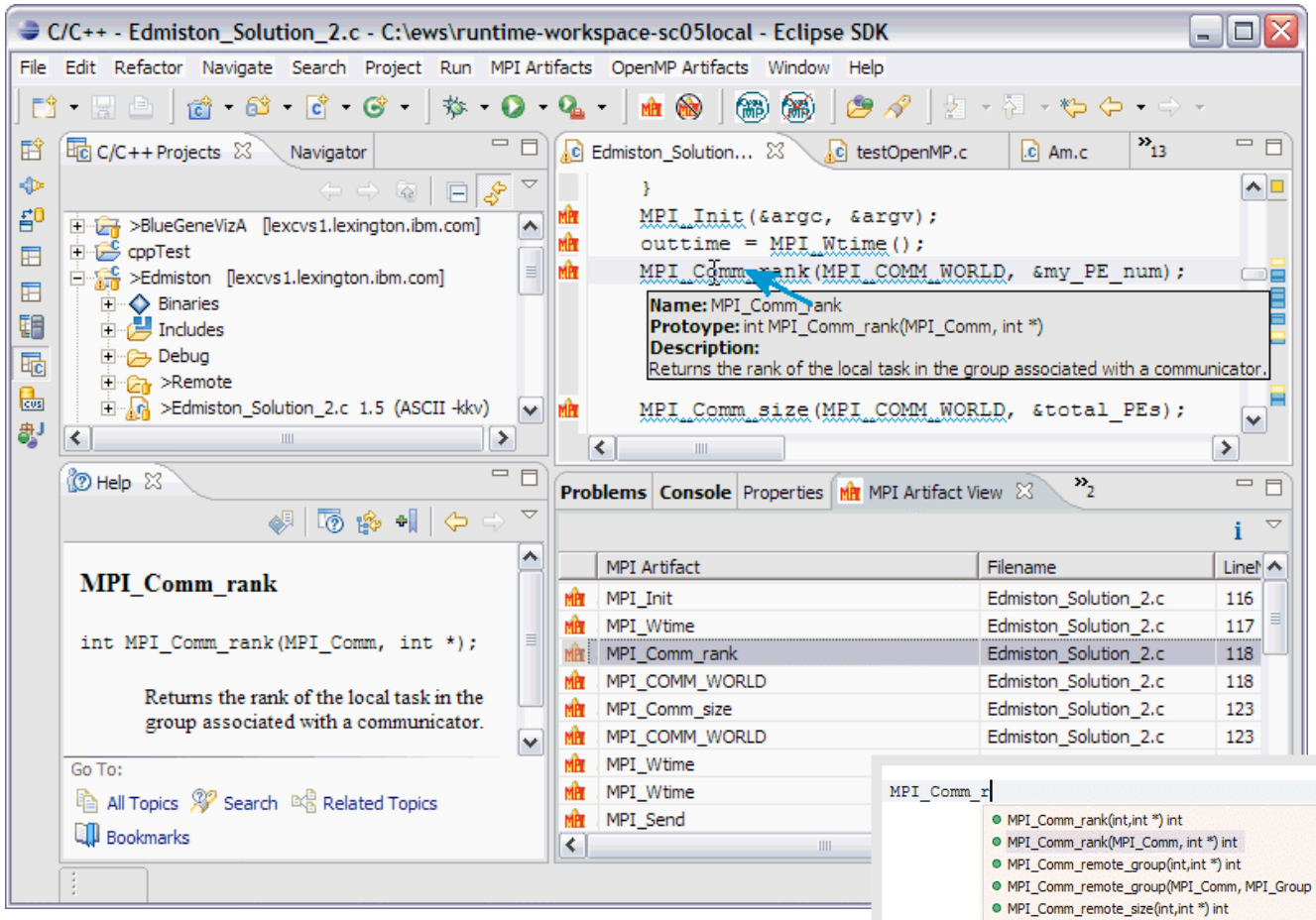
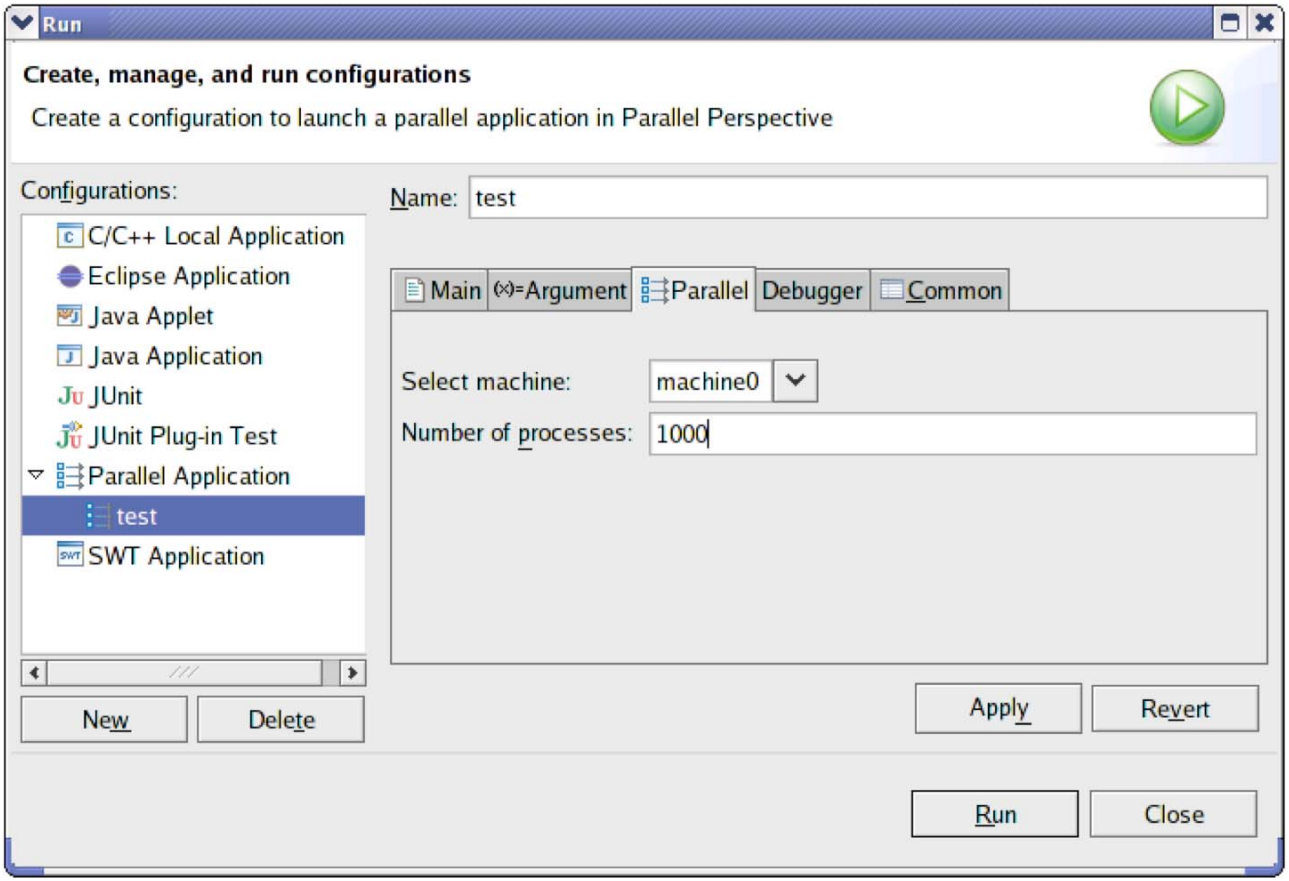
Parallel programming tools



- Identifies MPI artifacts
- Navigates to source code locations
- Help: hover, content assist, F1
- Currently C/C++ only

Content Assist

Parallel launch



- Allows user to specify machine and number of processes to launch
- Can also configure parallel debug launch

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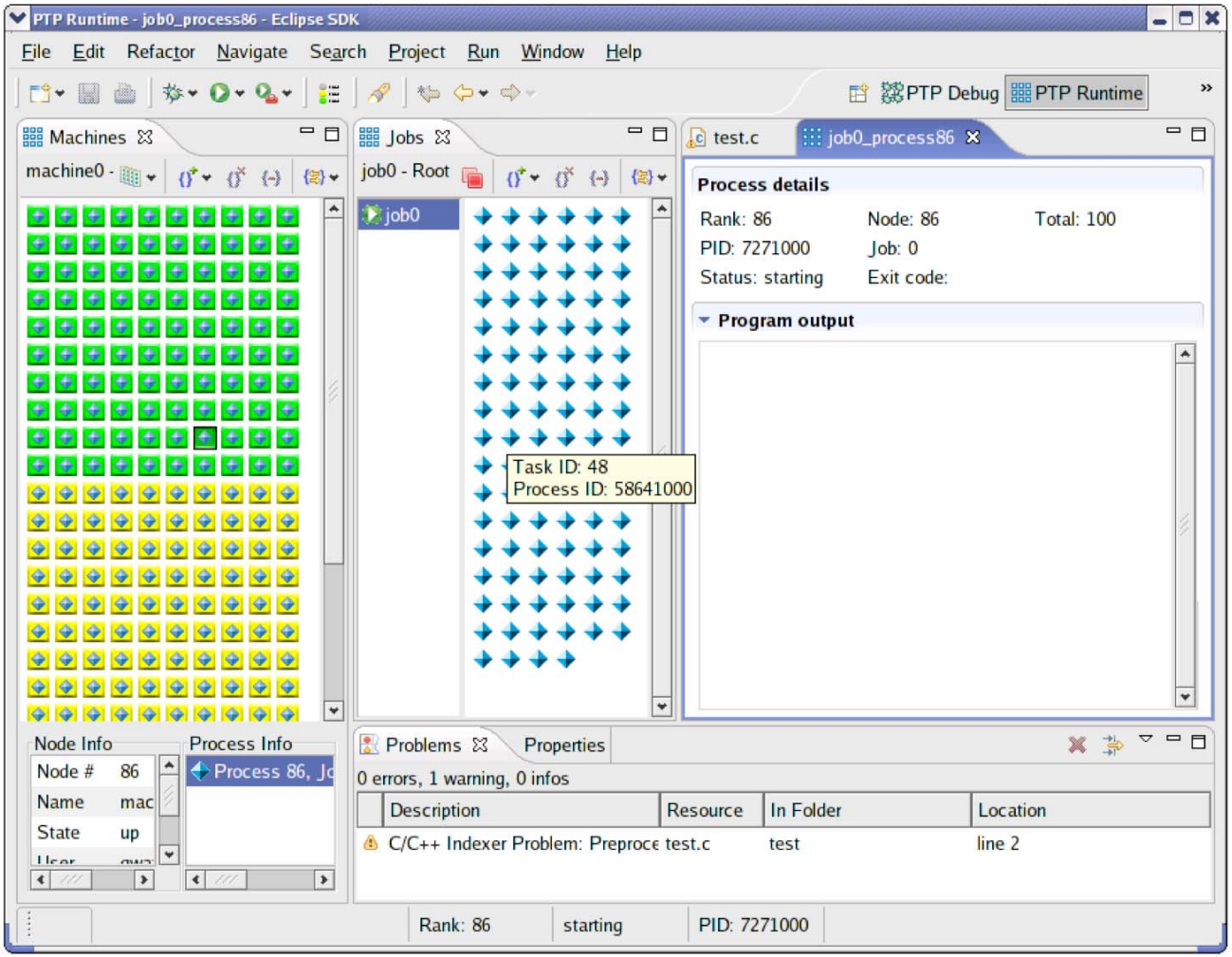
Parallel runtime perspective



- Machines view
  - node status, node details and processes running on nodes
- Jobs view
  - jobs launched, processes in a job and process status
  - Terminate job button
- Process details view
  - more detailed process information and standard output from process

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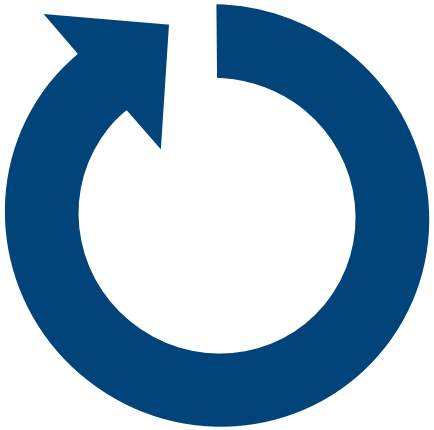

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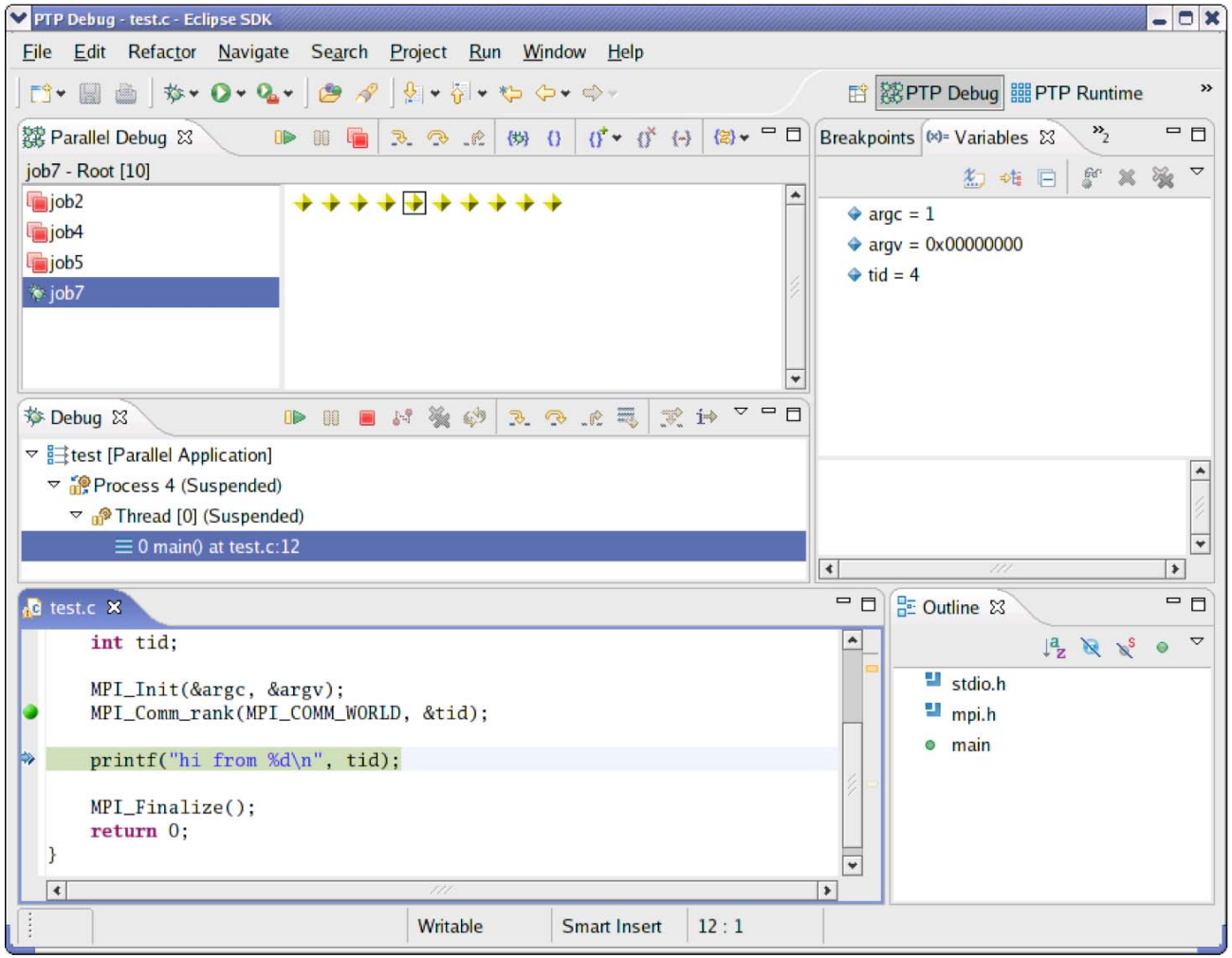
Parallel debug perspective



- Adds parallel debug view
  - Debug jobs launched, processes in a job and process status
  - Used to specify process sets
  - Registered processes displayed in Debug view
  - Tooltip displays variable values
- Extended breakpoints and current location markers
  - Breakpoint color shows which set the breakpoint applies to
  - Multiple simultaneous current location markers
- Tested to 1024 processes
  - Model tested to 90,000
  - UI tested to 400,000

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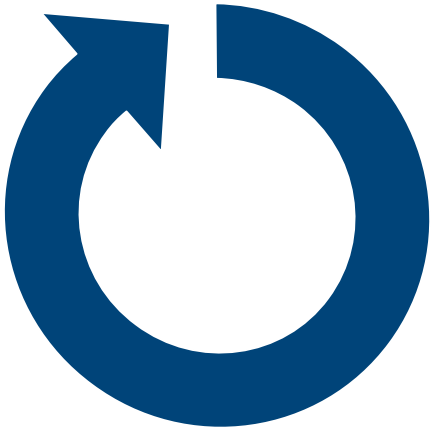

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Performance analysis tools

- Test and Performance Tools Platform (TPTP)
  - for sequential applications
- Testing and Analysis Utilities (TAU) stage 1 integration
  - Integration of existing TAU tools allows performance analysis of projects within the PTP
  - C/C++ and Fortran projects can be automatically instrumented and compiled with TAU libraries from within Eclipse
  - Performance data output is automatically organized
  - The Paraprof tool can be launched automatically to visualize profile output

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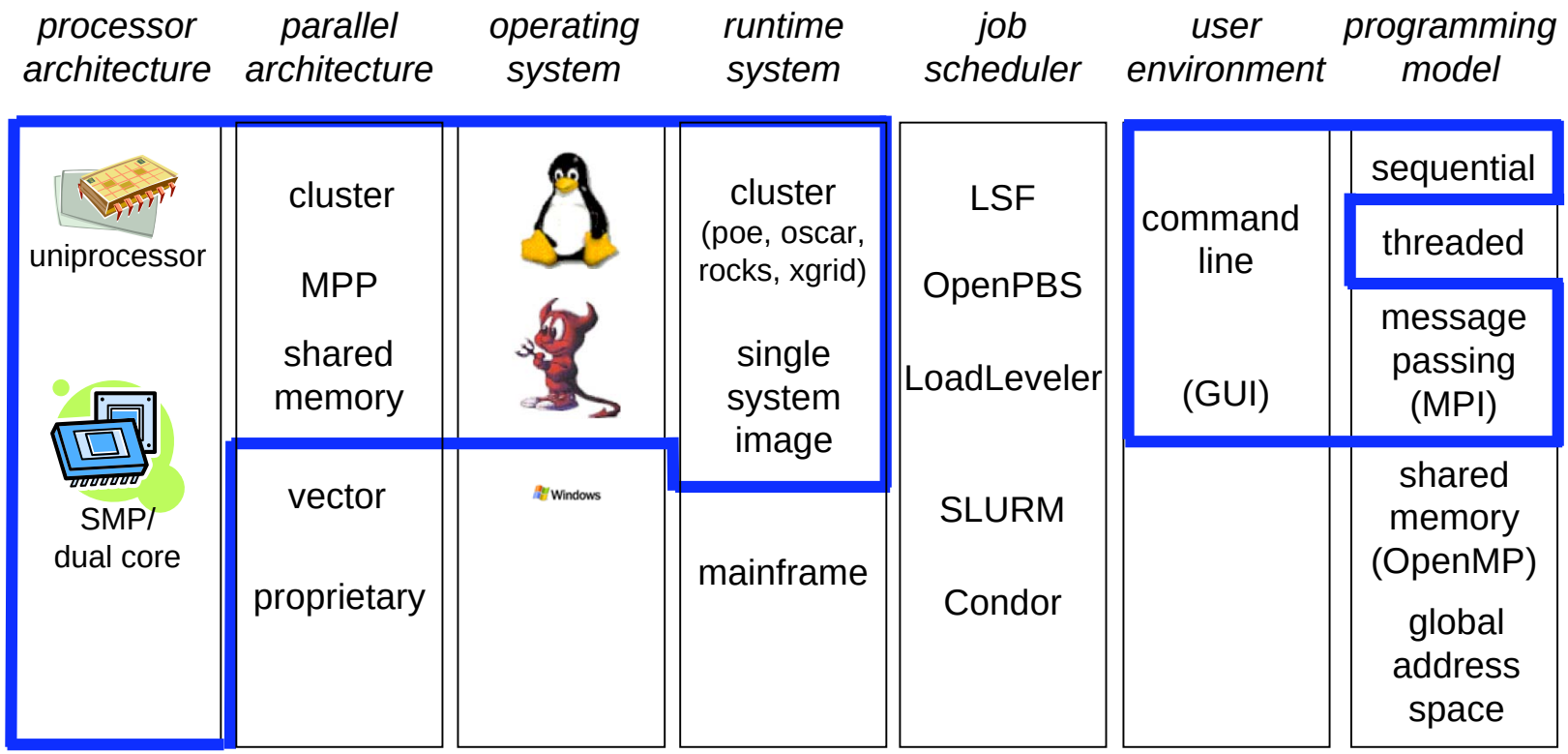
PTP 1.0 support



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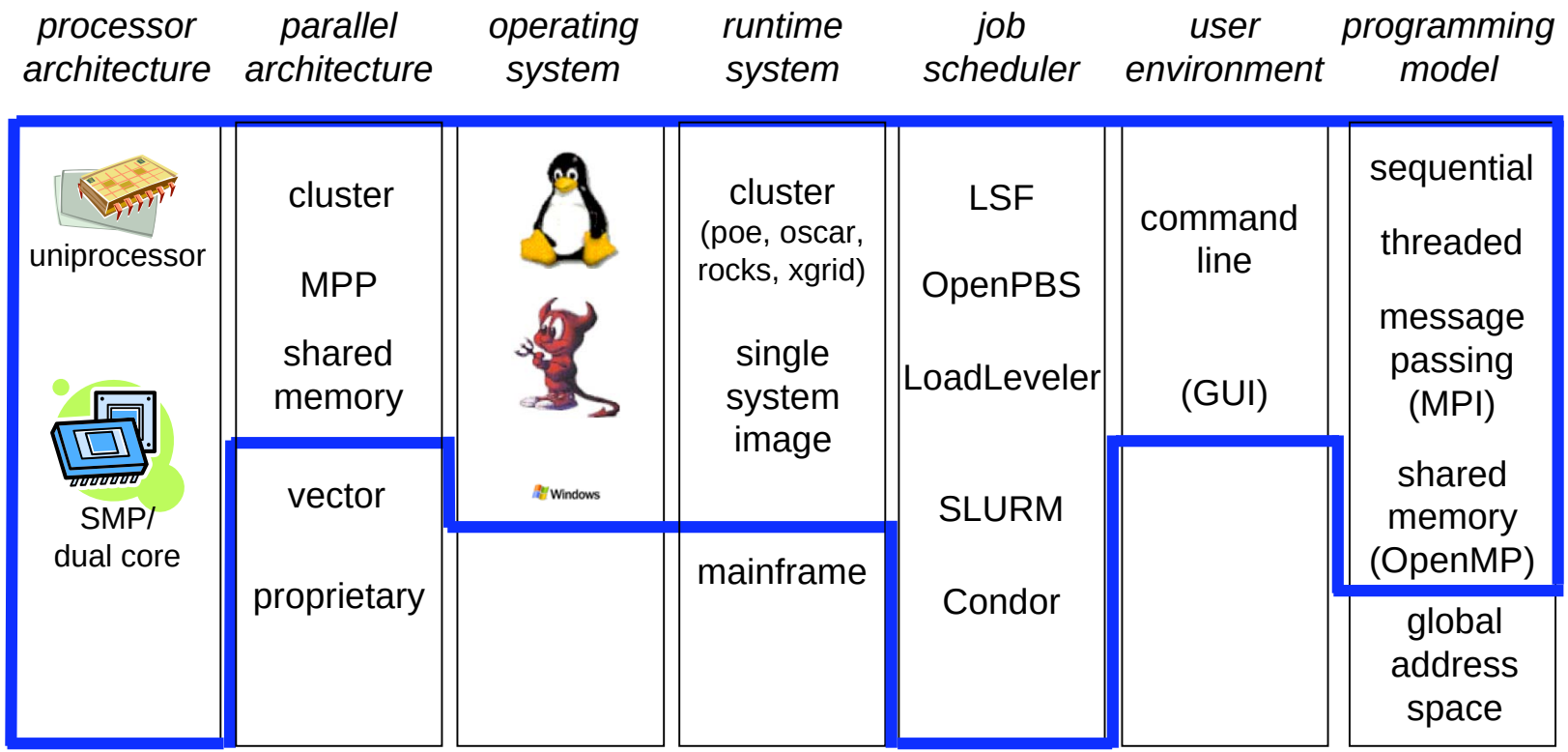
PTP 2.0 support



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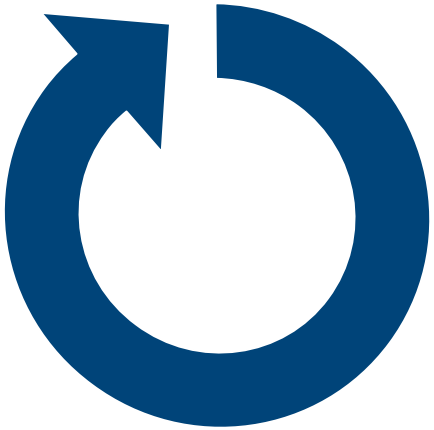
Future plans

Design & Develop



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Development capabilities

- Static analysis infrastructure
  - Embedded C++ and Fortran parsers
  - External parsers
- Refactoring for scientific computing
  - Language interoperability
  - Fortran: constant replacement and type promotion
  - Semi-automatic parallelization (OpenMP)
- Program graphs (e.g. call tree graphs)
- Error checking
- Assisted documentation generation (Doxygen)
- Support for new parallel languages
  - Co-array Fortran, UPC

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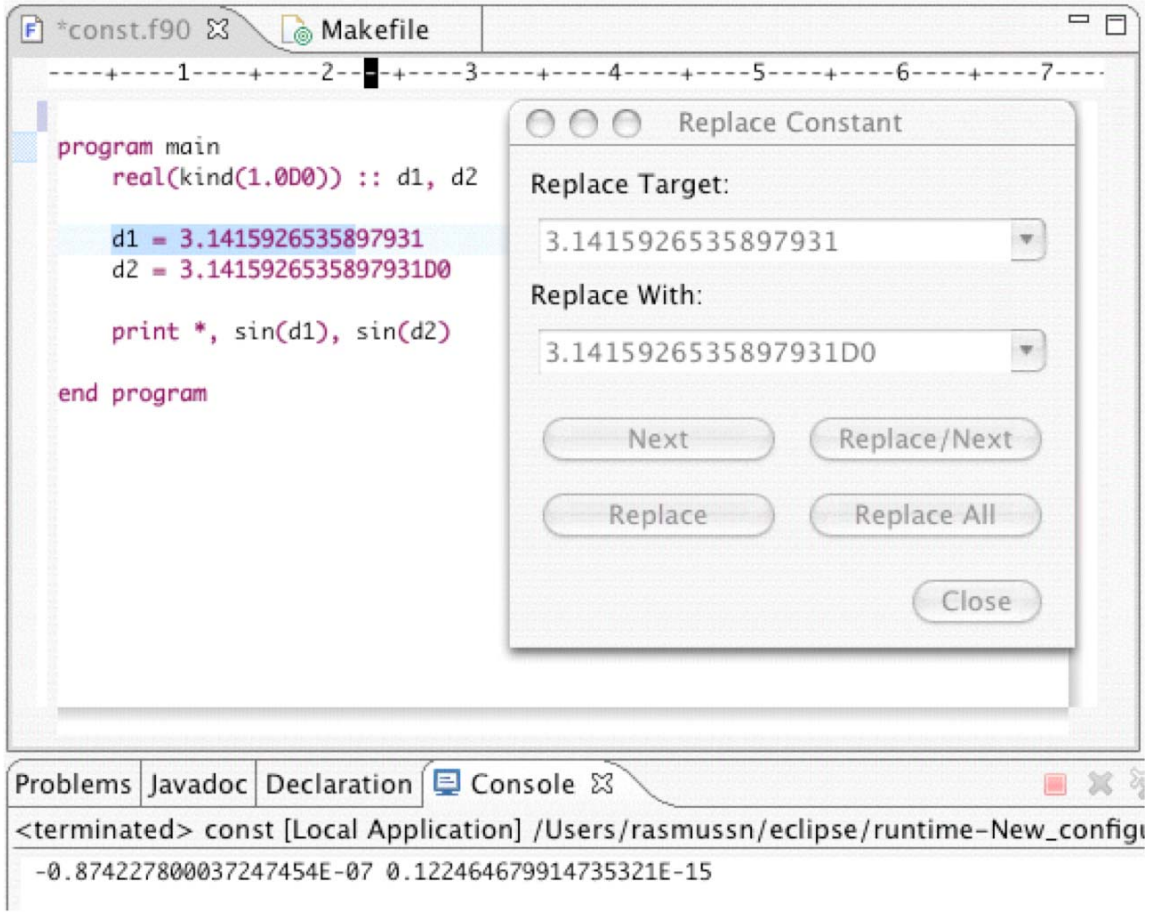
Enhanced Fortran tools



- Constant replacement refactoring
- Other refactorings for scientific computing

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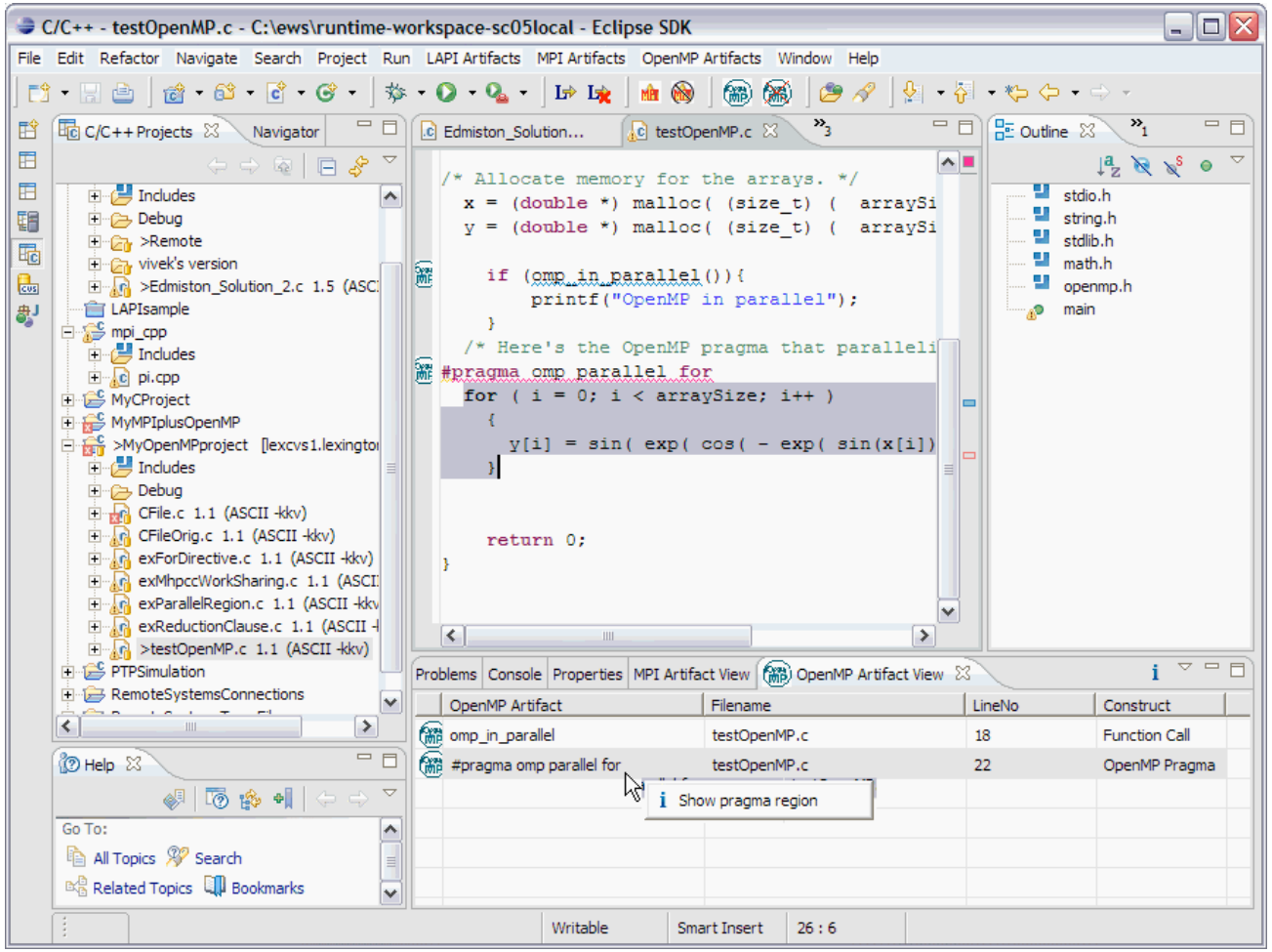
New parallel language programming tools



- Identifies OpenMP artifacts
- Show #pragma region
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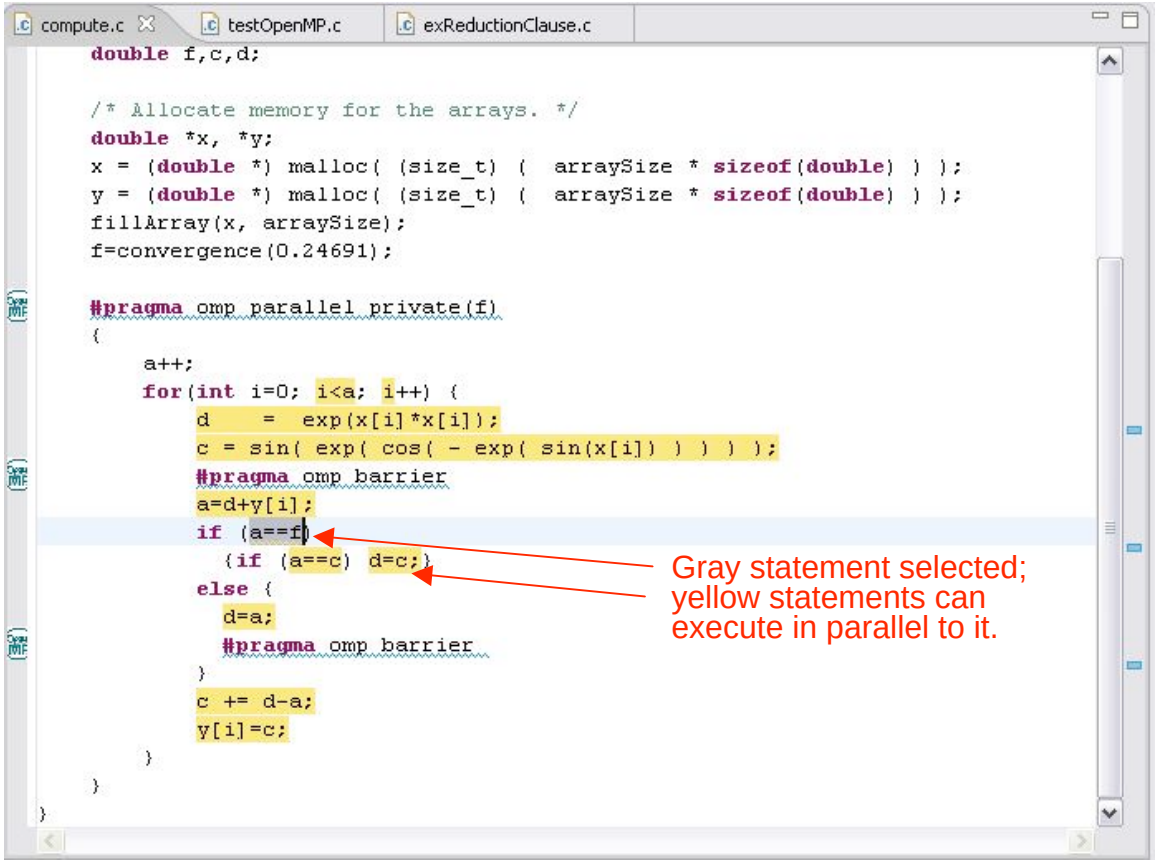
OpenMP concurrency analysis



- Concurrency analysis
  - Compute and visualize statement/expression level concurrency in OpenMP parallel regions
- Analysis to assist in code parallelization
  - For shared/private variable determination, e.g. race detection
  - For restructuring code into parallel regions

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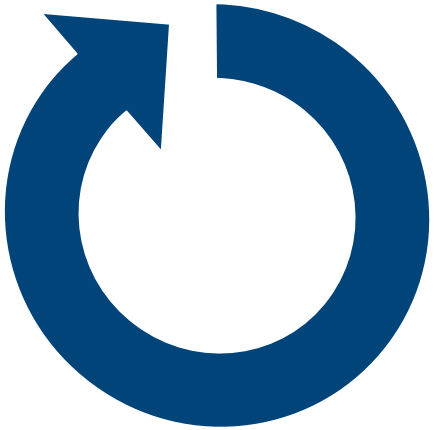

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Parallel debugging

- Scalability improvements
- Array viewer and distributed array viewer
- Debug event hooks
- New (non-gdb) backend debugger support
- Data-centric debugging
- MPI-specific debugging

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Parallel testing

- Provide integrated test environment
  - Deployment and execution of tests
  - Execution history analysis and reporting
- Automated unit test stub generation
  - Fortran and C/C++
  - Output results to spreadsheet (for example)
- Integrate Verification and Validation
  - Logging

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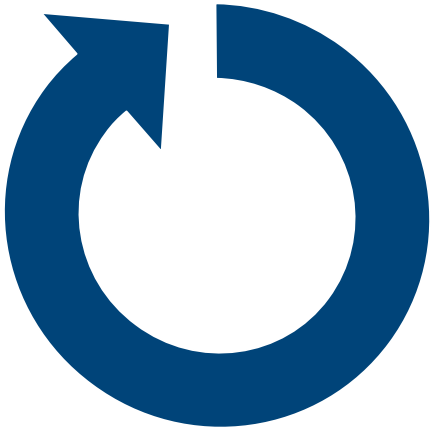

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Future performance analysis and tuning

- Provide framework for performance analysis tools
  - Automatic instrumentation
  - Data collection
  - Data analysis
  - Visualization
- Framework for performance tuning using empirical methods
  - Launch code
  - Gather performance data
  - Analyze performance data
  - Code/Compiler optimization
  - Repeat (search space)

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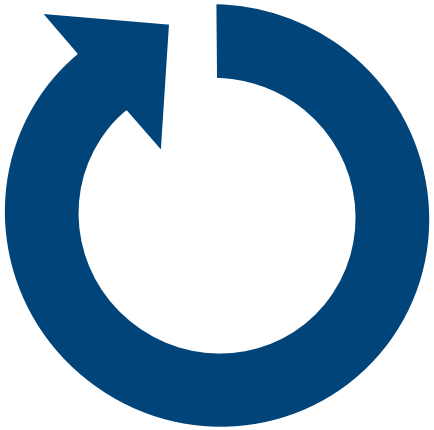

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Deployment and logging

- Deployable packages
  - Autoconf based
  - Explicit listing of dependencies on other tools
  - Package version
  - List of interfaces (for components)
- Web-based deployment
  - Automatic configure/build/install on download
- Provide history through logging
  - Build tools (compilers and options, libraries, versions, …)
  - Test history
  - Run history (traces, profiles, …)

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Conclusion

- PTP 1.0 available for download
  - Supports small set of architectures/platforms
  - Can be used for real C/C++/Fortran parallel applications
  - Parallel debugger
- Ongoing development
  - New new architectures and platforms
  - Better Fortran tools
  - New/improved language tools
  - Parallel performance analysis and tuning tools

- Demo of PTP on a real cluster (Wed 2:00pm)
- Come to BOF (Wed 6:30pm)

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What makes a parallel supercomputer?

- Lots of processors (thousands)
- Lots of memory (terabytes)
- Lots of disk (terabytes)
- High bandwidth & low latency network (GB/s & < 10us)

As of November 2005, #1:
280,600 GFlops = 274 TFlops
(BlueGene/L)

1 PFlop within 5-10 years

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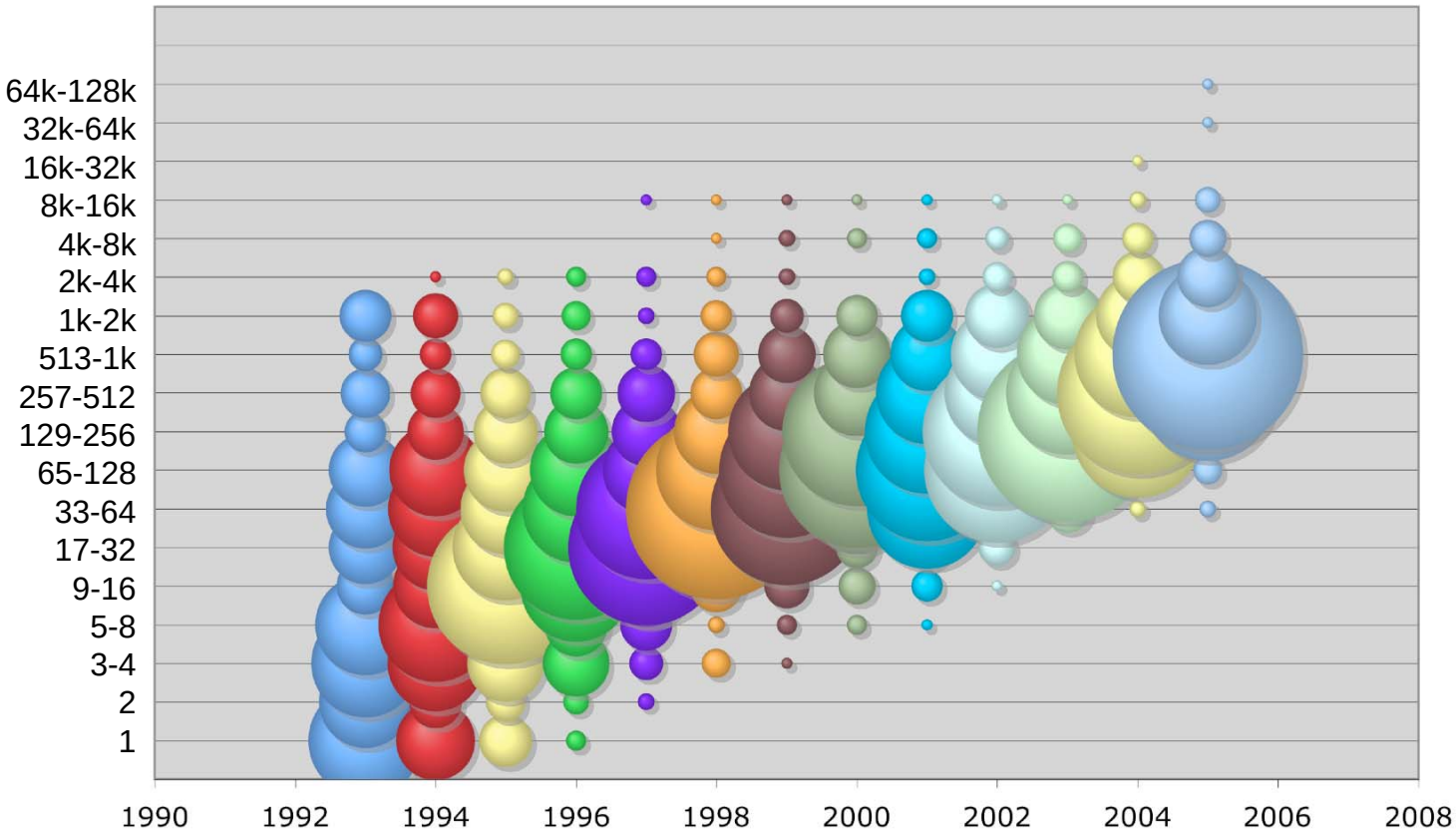
Supercomputer evolution (processors)



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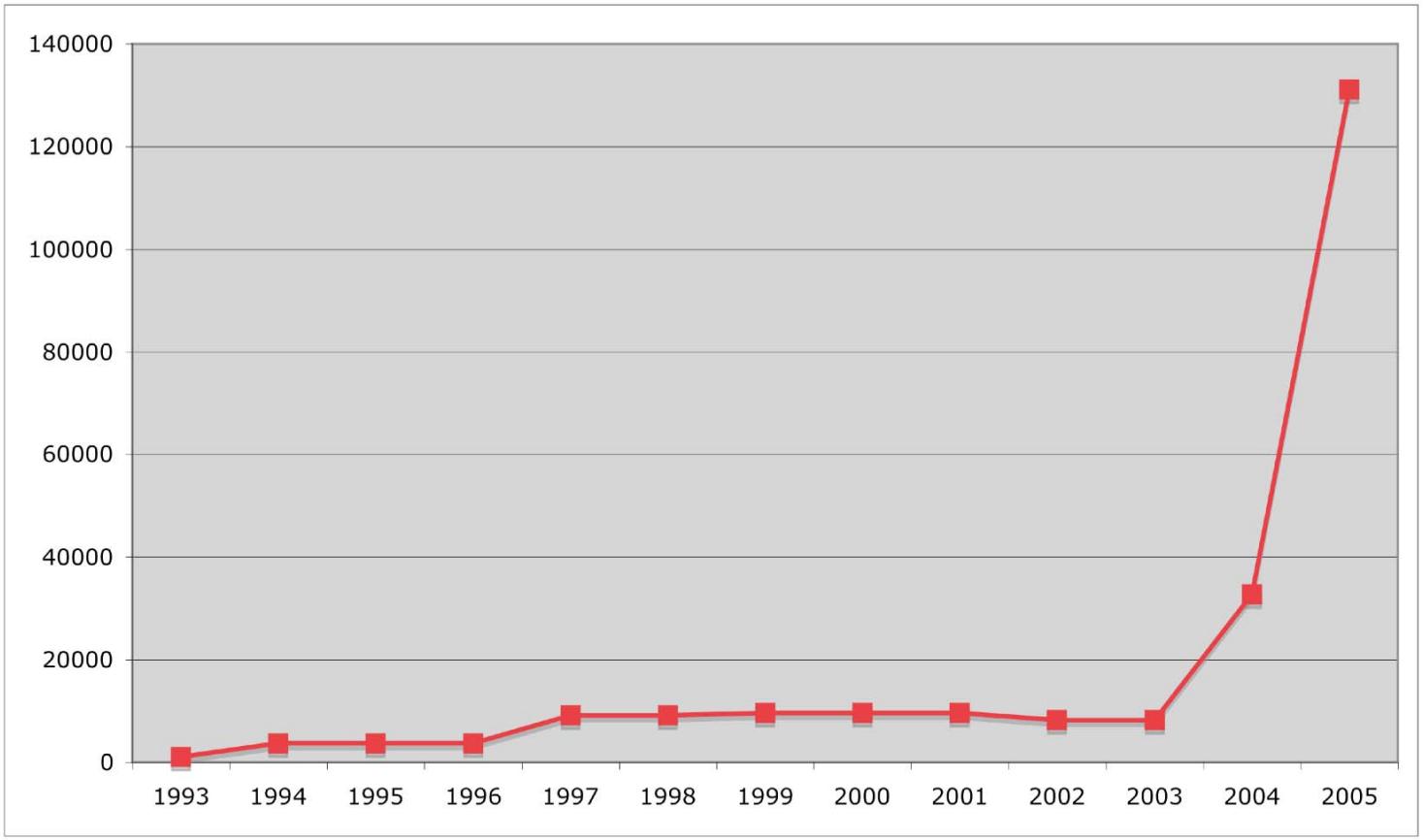
Supercomputer evolution (max processors)



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Eclipse is a visual medium

- Parallel computing is dealing with large numbers of “things”, such as :
  - Processors
  - Processes
  - Threads
  - Messages
  - Etc.
- How are we going to represent lots of “things”?

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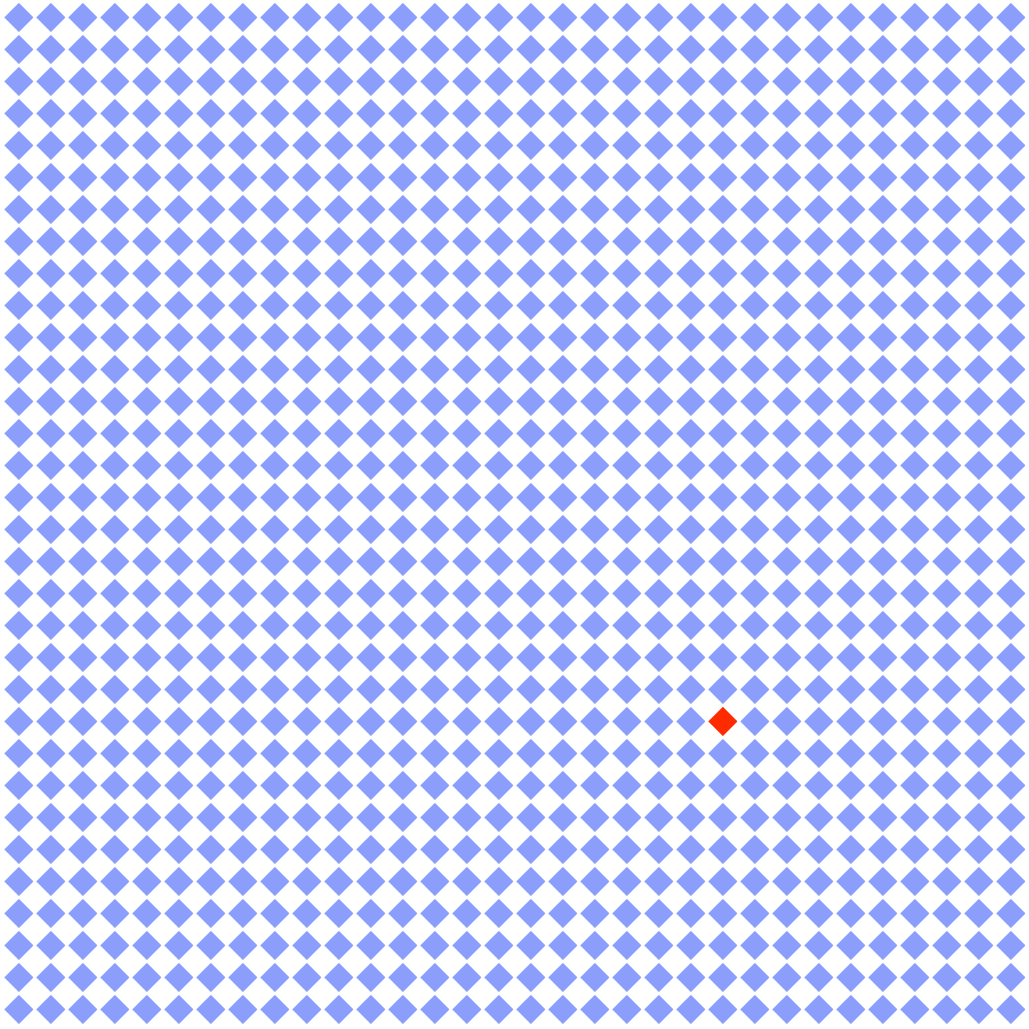
Visualizing “things” (1,024)



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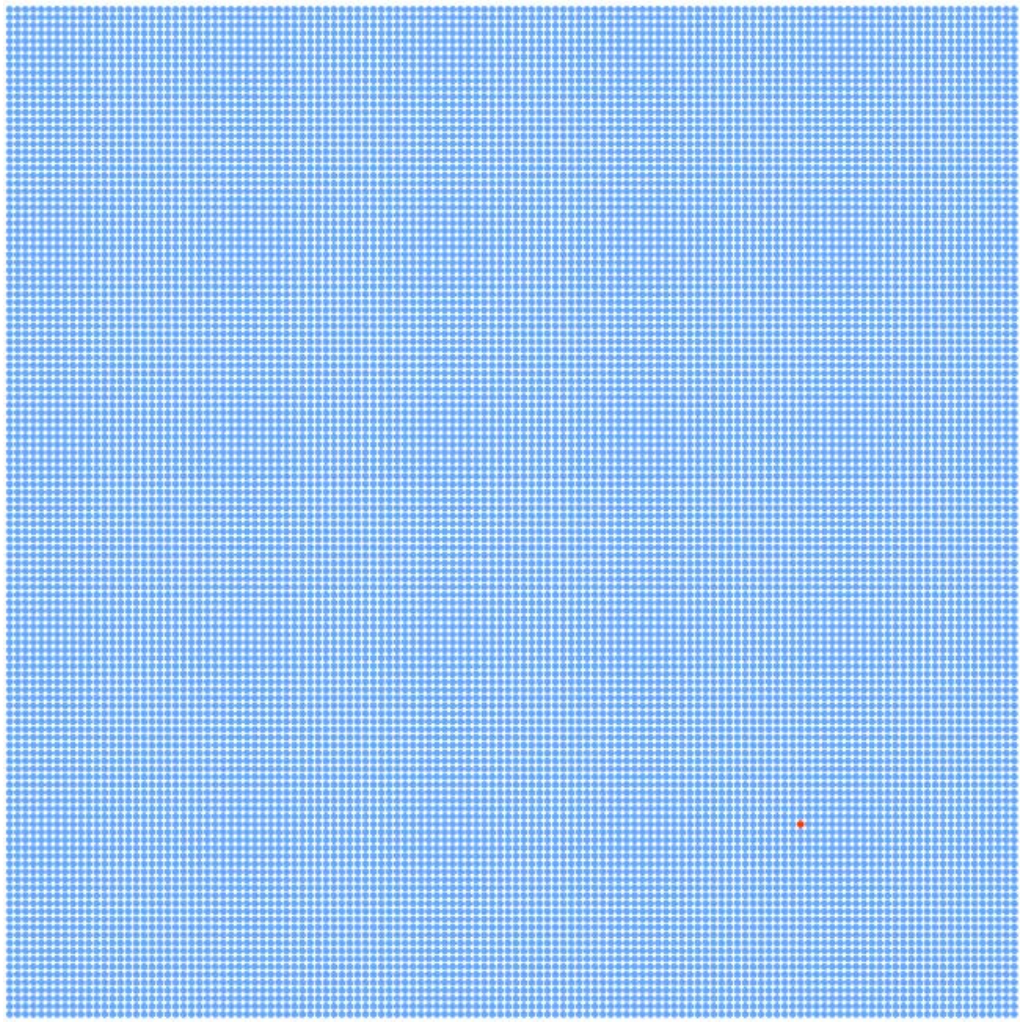
Visualizing “things” (16,384)



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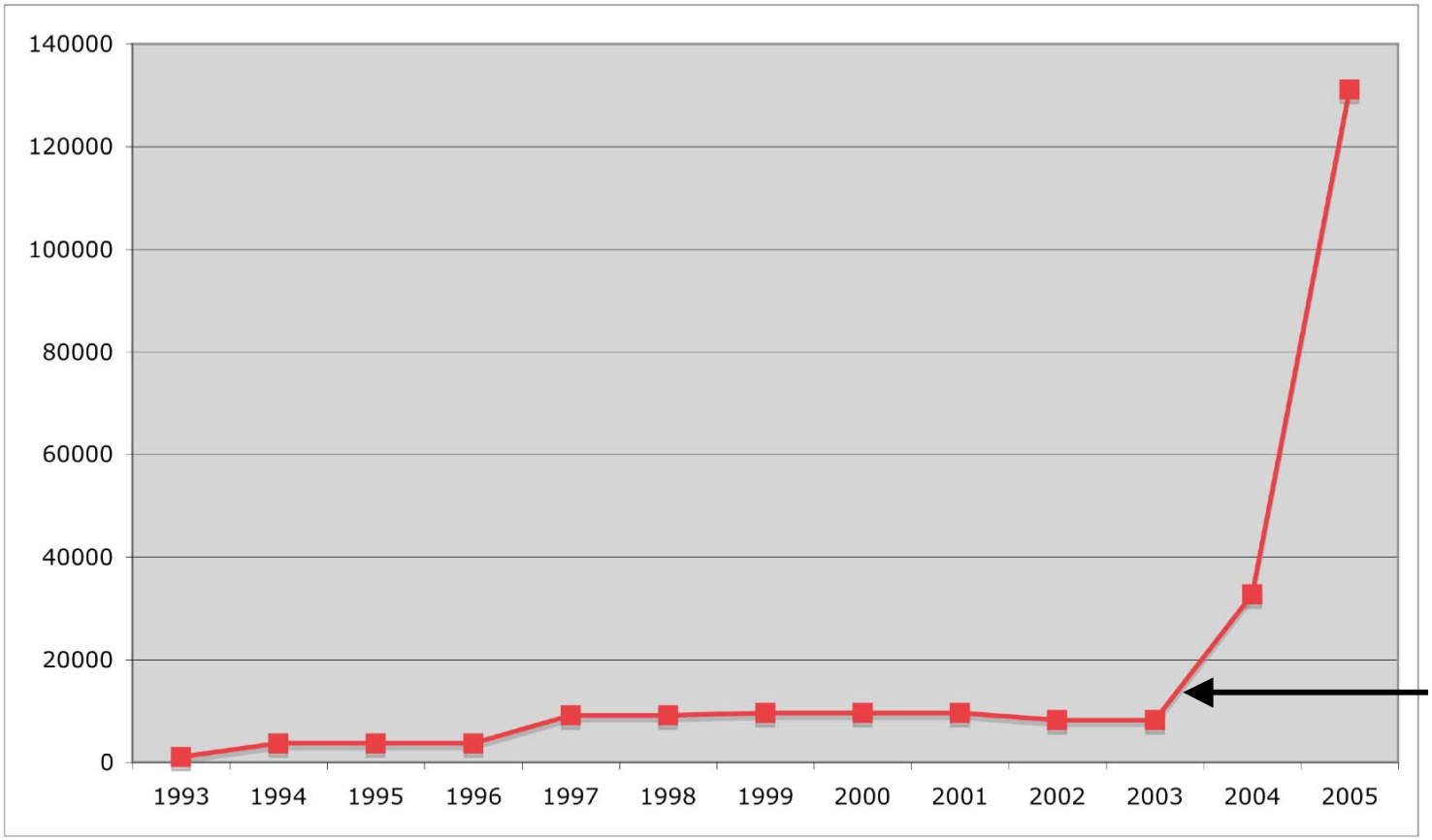
Where are 16,384 “things” (= processors)?



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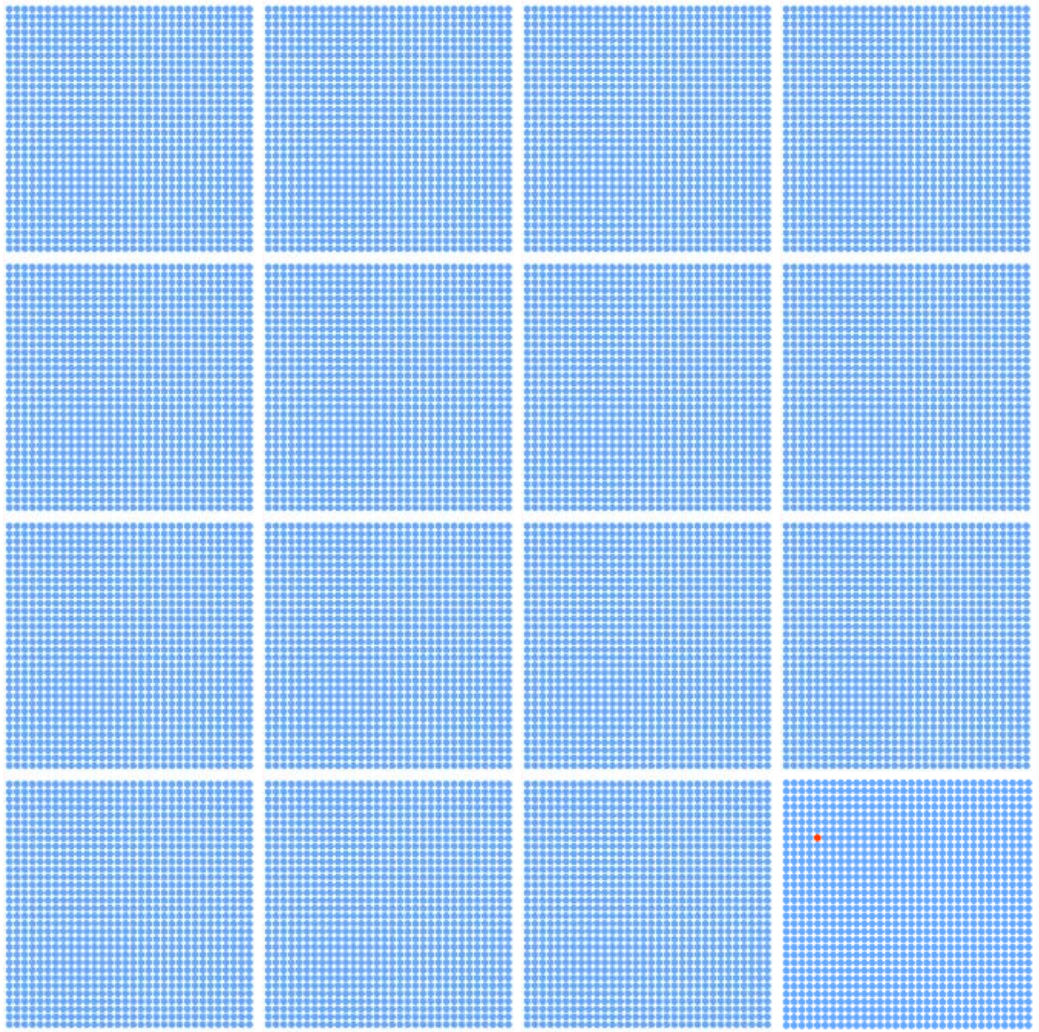

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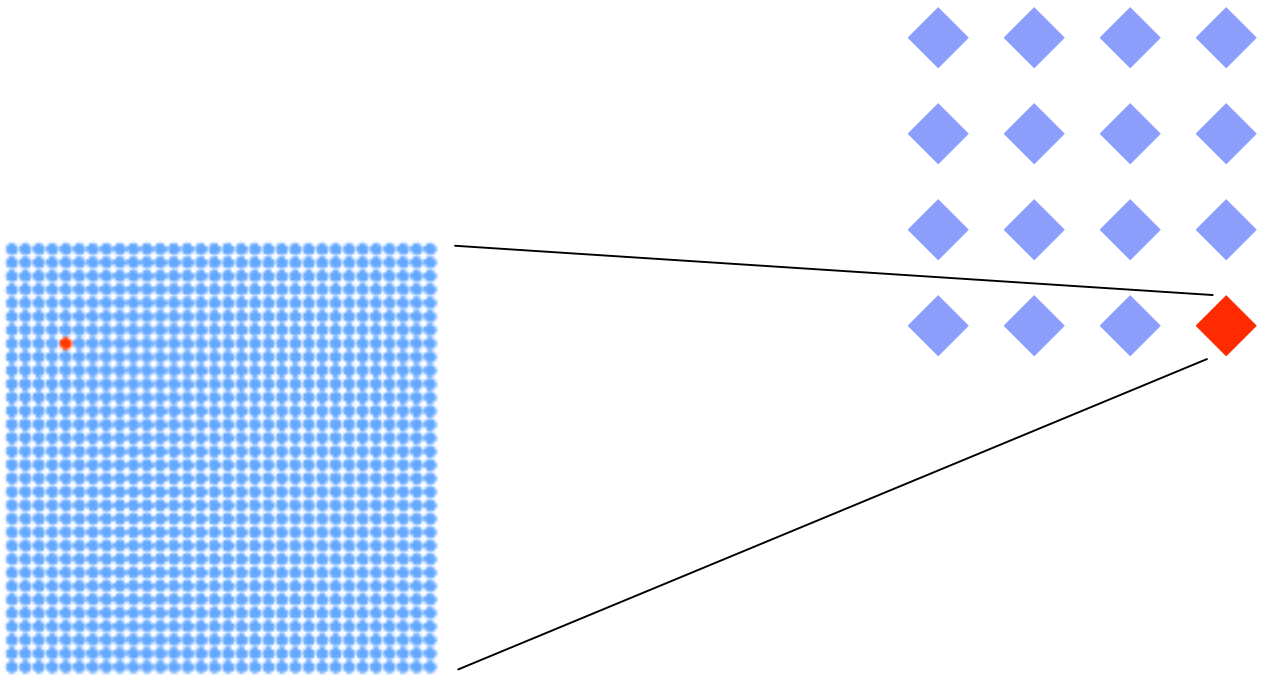
Visualizing things with hierarchy (16,384)



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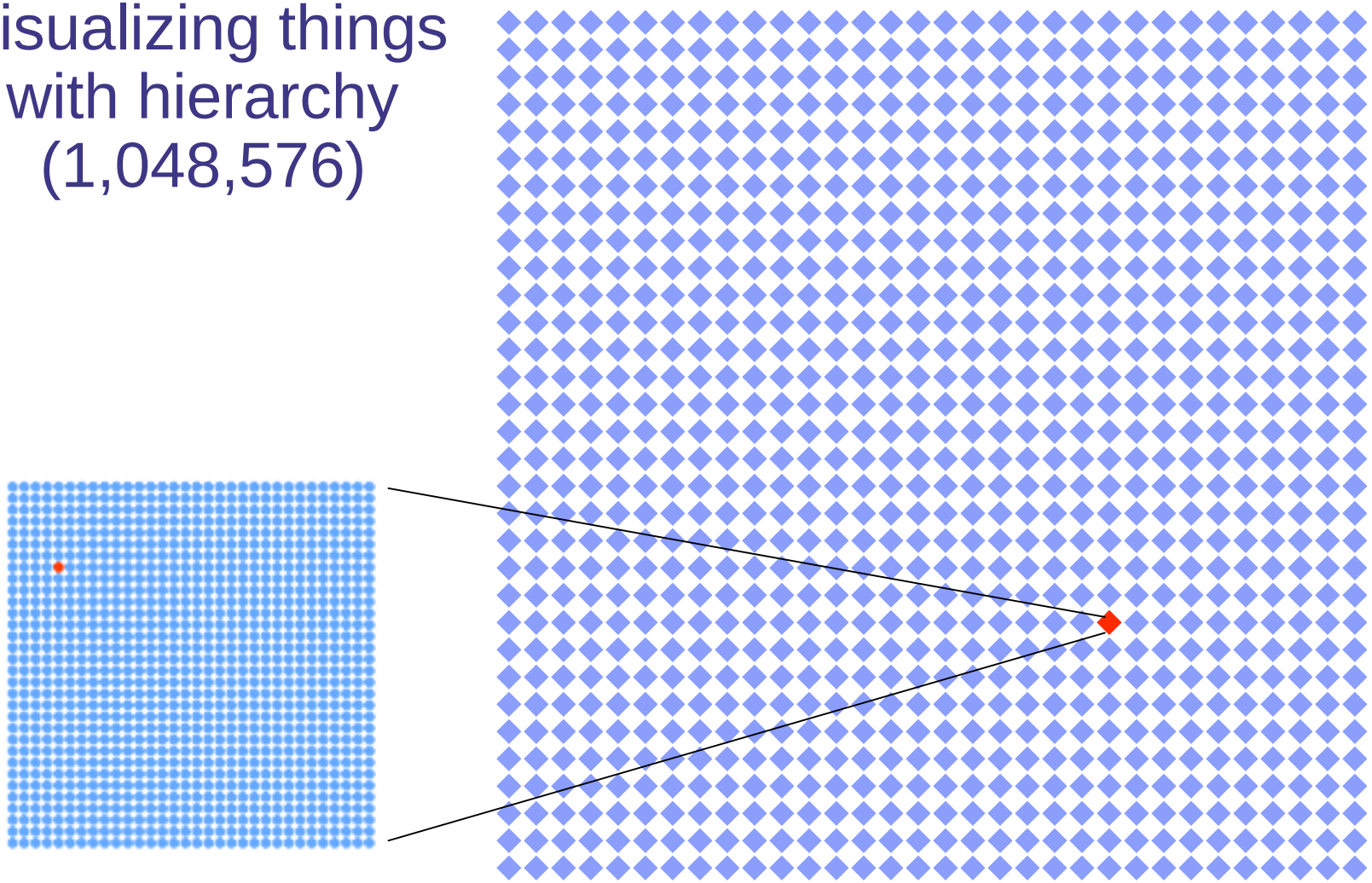
Visualizing things with hierarchy (1,048,576)



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(not so) Future design issues

- With just two levels of hierarchy, we can handle 1,048,576 “things” relatively easily
- Even a PFlop machine will likely only have ~500,000 processors (4 x 131,072)

BUT, what if each process has 10 threads?

We need to get away from “process-centric” runtime and debugger views

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