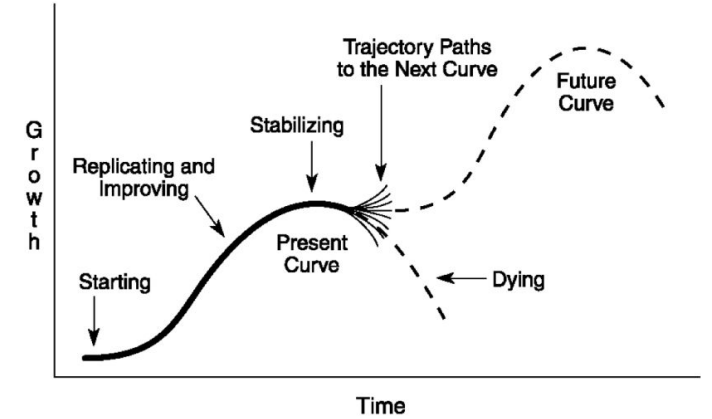




Prediction is very difficult, especially if it's about the future.

(Niels Bohr)

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Architecture 2030 @ ISCA'16

Luis Ceze, Tom Wenisch

Mark Hill

(CCC liaison, mentor)

Neha Agarwal, Amrita Mazumdar, Aasheesh Kolli

(Student volunteers)

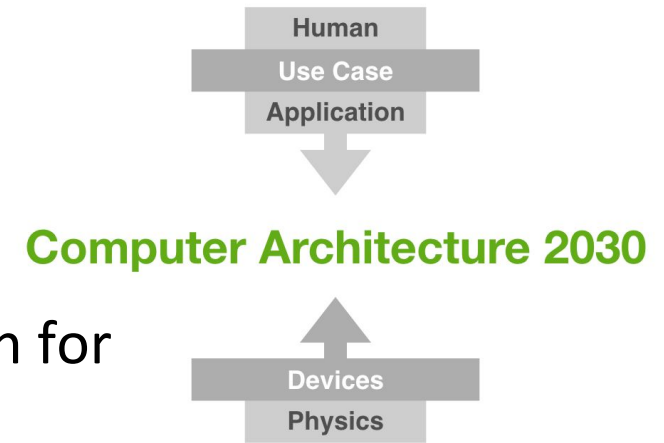
LIVE!

Context

- Many fantastic community formation/visioning workshops:
 - NSF ACAR, DARPA ISAT Future of Computer Systems without Technology Progress, IEEE Rebooting Computing, ...
- These efforts have significant impact on community and funding

Workshop goals

- Kick-off a visioning exercise for Computer Architecture research for the next 15 years
- Hear from Applications and Devices experts
- Increase visibility of architecture to broader CS and funding agencies
- Why now? A lot has changed in the last 5-10 years
 - Hardware design suddenly much more relevant but still (very) hard
 - Deep neural networks “caught us by surprise”, machine learning now a key workload
 - Major platforms emerged (cloud, IoT, etc)
 - Vertical integration (systems companies)
 - Explosion of sensor data (e.g., 1 trillion photos uploaded in 2015, genomics growing fast)
 - Open-source hardware emerging
- Seed a community white-paper similar to the 21st Century Architecture paper



- Talked to several members of the community
- Survey (~40 replies)

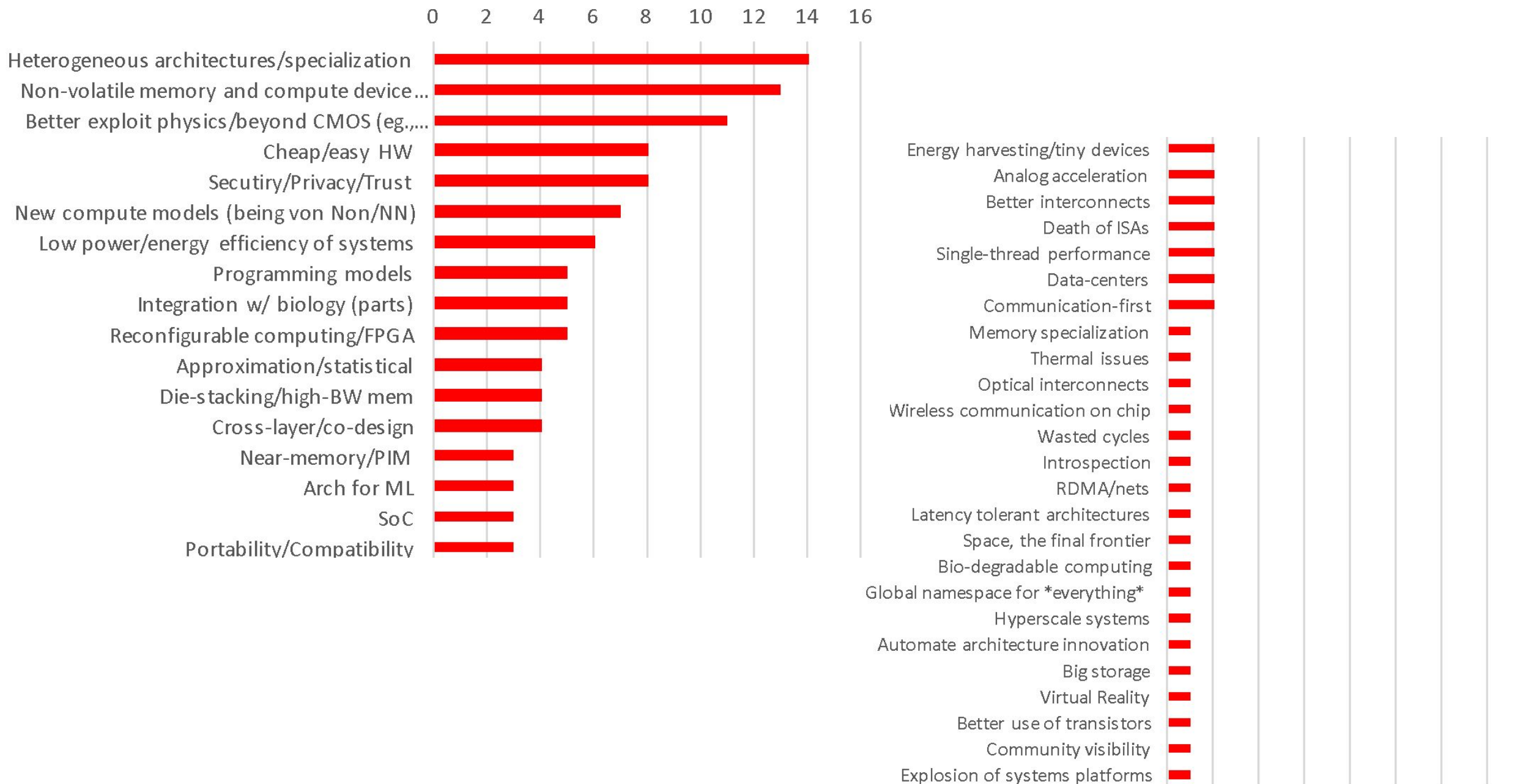
- What are the most important challenges to be addressed by architecture research in the next 15 years?

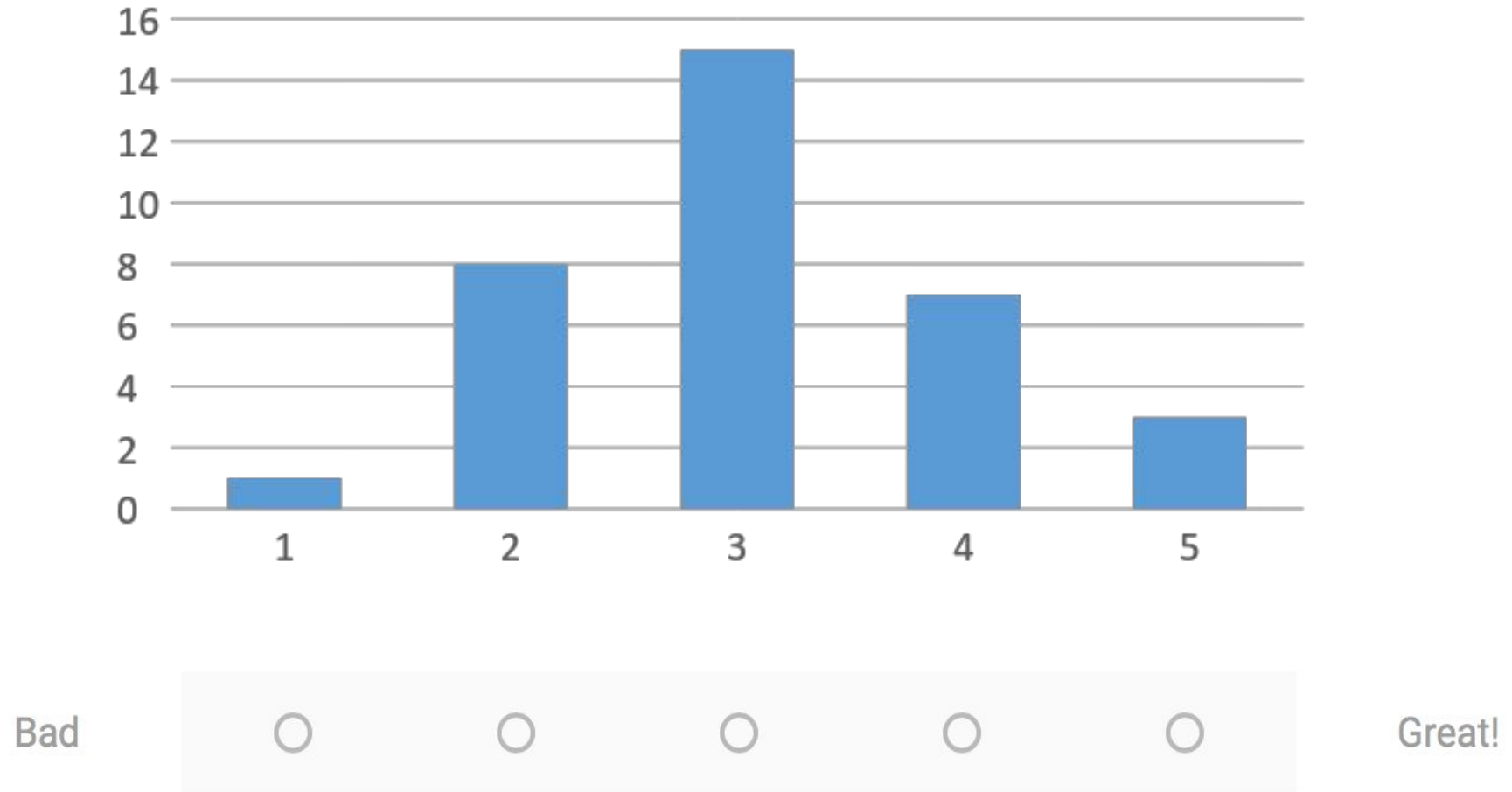
What are some of these challenges/trends that you are *not* working on? *

What are the main technology opportunities that the community should take advantage of?

How well do you think the architecture community anticipated today's challenges/opportunities?







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Big themes

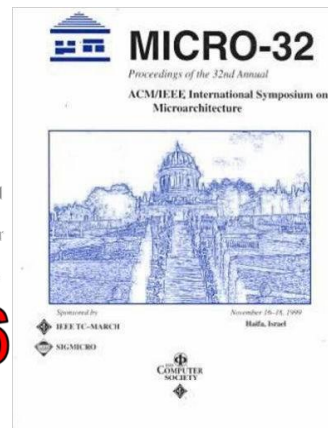
- Making HW as easy to design/write as SW, open sourcing
- New devices/better exploitation of physics/biology
- Post-ISA era
- Post-Dennard/Post-Moore
- Vertical integration (systems companies)
- von Neuman is dead, long live von Neumann

Topic modeling analysis of our community's work



The 43rd
ACM/IEEE
International
Symposium
on Computer
Architecture
Seoul, Korea

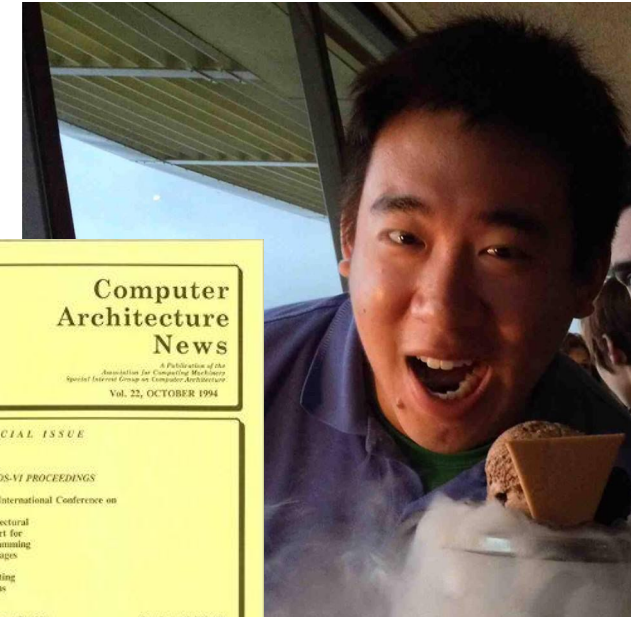
**ISCA-1 to ISCA-42
(1974-2015)**



**MICRO-6 to MICRO-47
(1972-2015)**



**ASPLOS-1 to ASPLOS-20
(1982-2015)**

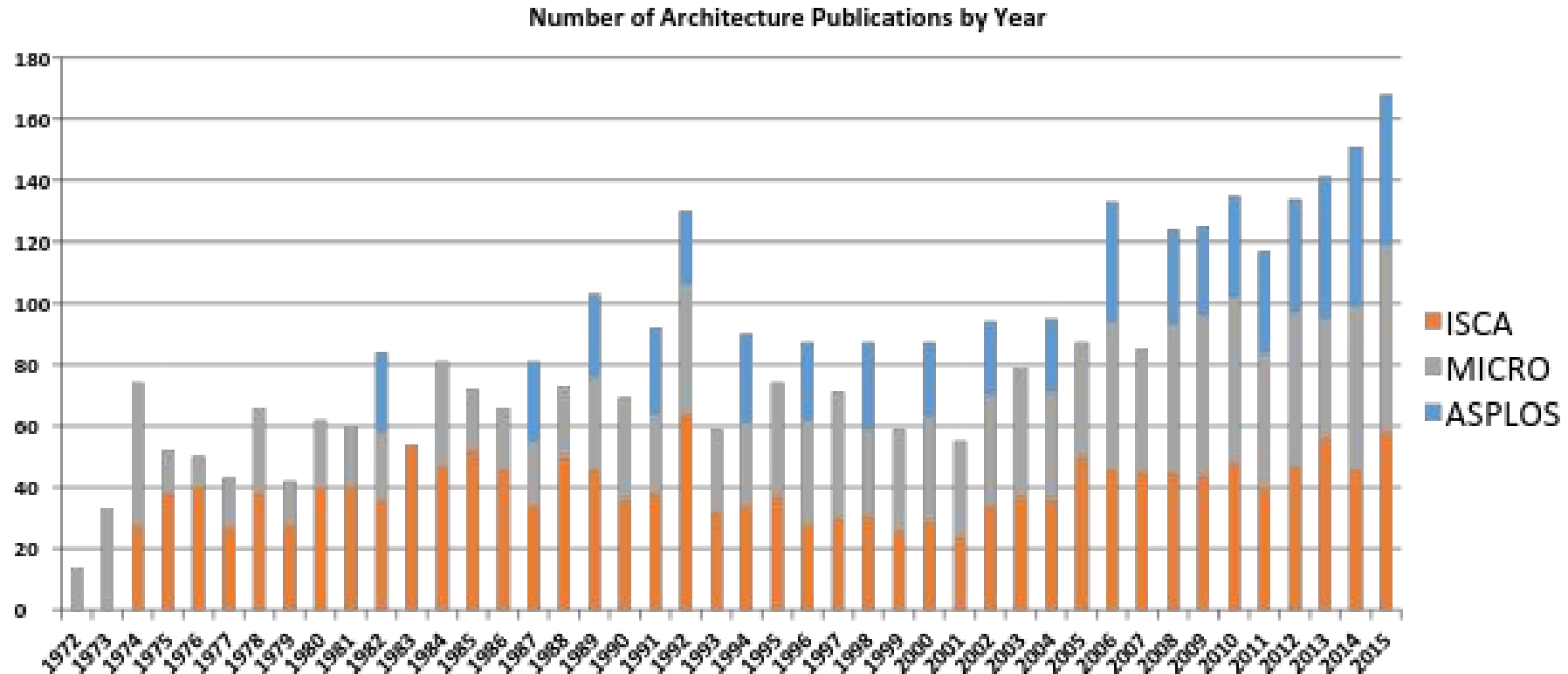


Vincent Lee,
UW-CSE

What's in the corpus:

- (1) All 3700 papers published on ACM from ISCA, MICRO, and ASPLOS from 1972 to 2015
- (2) No workshop papers

Publication Corpus By the Numbers



Comments:

- (1) Number of publications in 1992 exceptionally high
- (2) ASPLOS occurring every other year could potentially increase strength of topics during the year it took place

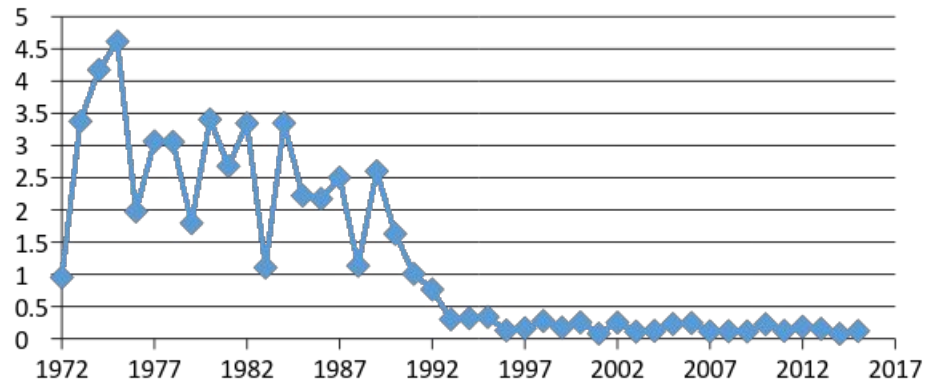
Clear Topics that Manifest in the Model

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|------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Quantum Computing | DRAM | Hardware Accelerators | Voltage Scaling |
| Fault Tolerance | Graphics | Cache Performance | Network Architectures |
| Database Architectures | Encryption | Microcoded Machines | Context Switching |
| Virtualization | Systolic Array Architectures | Compiler Optimizations | Neural Networks |
| Graph Processing | Datacenter Architectures | Replacement Policies | Network Interface Architectures |
| Branch Prediction | Prefetching | Die Stacked Memory | Floating Point |
| VLIW | Log Based Debugging | Microarchitecture | Memory Management |
| Cache Coherence | Memory Consistency | Scheduling | Concurrency Bugs |
| Energy Efficiency | Synthesis and Verification | NVM and Persistent Memory | Vector Processing |

Starting with Our Roots...

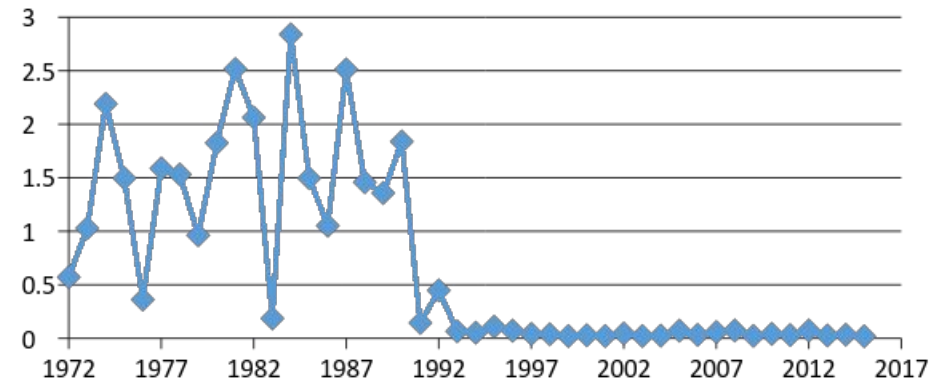
Fundamental Microarchitecture Research

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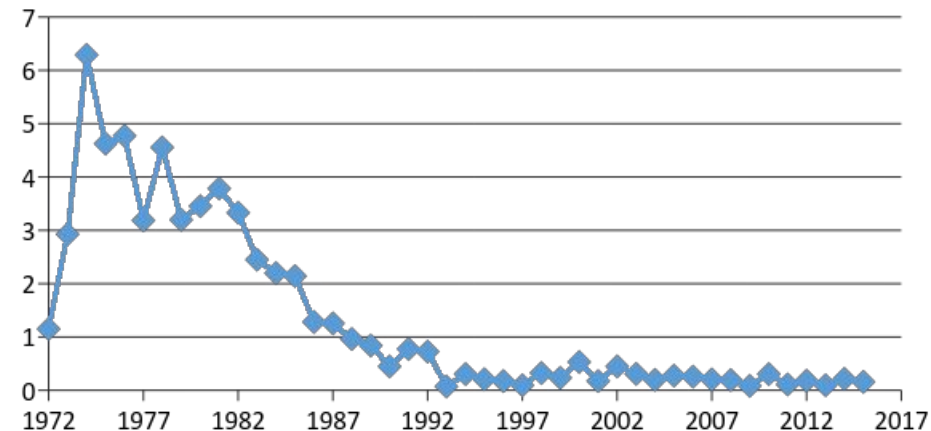
Microcoded Machines and Programs

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We Cared About Much Simpler Things...

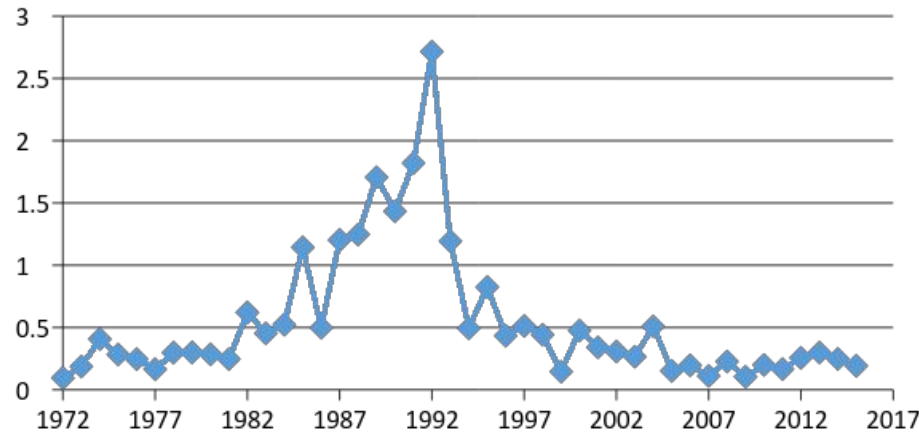
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speed, structure, significant, level, number,



Things That Trended then Died Off...

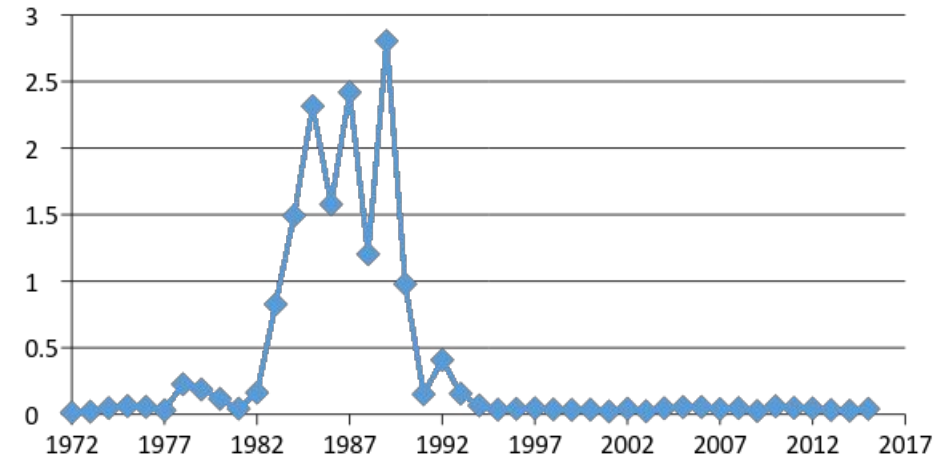
VLIW and Wide Issue Processors?

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execution, cycle, multiple, issue, pp, vliw



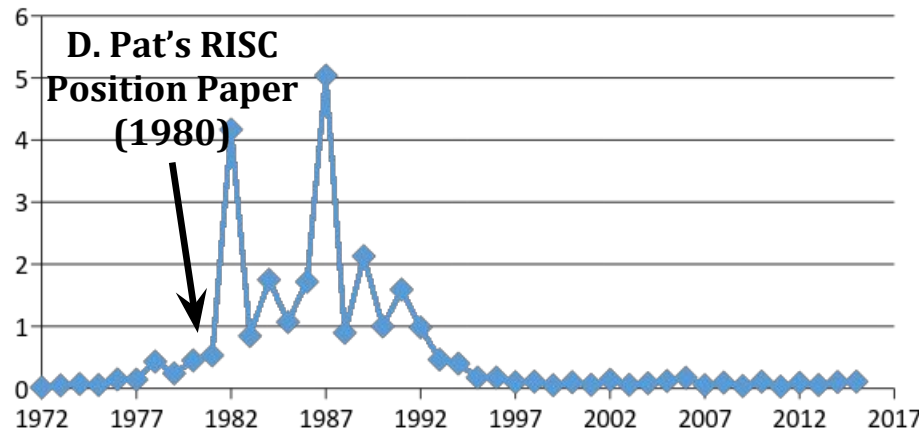
Support For Ancient Languages

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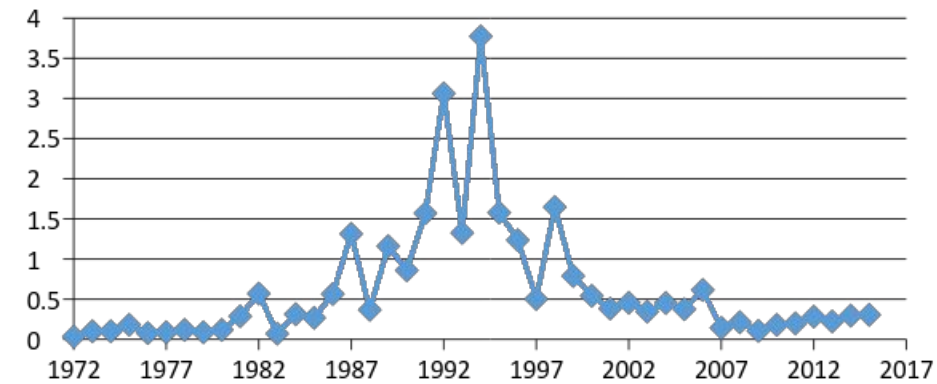
RISC vs. CISC Instruction Set Wars

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Branch Prediction

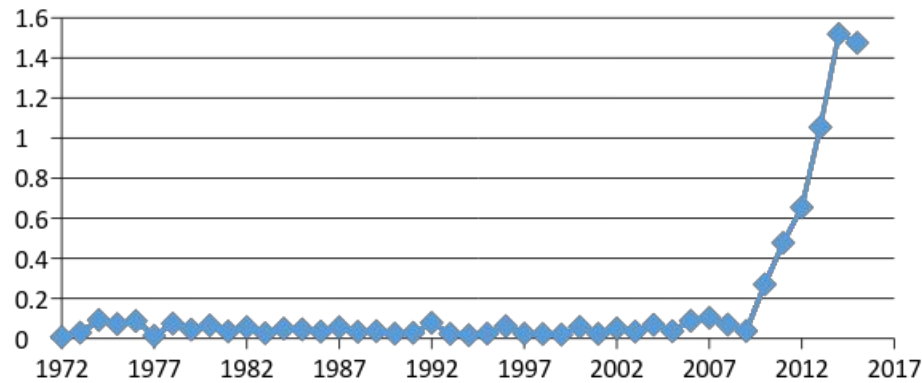
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instructions, performance, slots, static,
target, delay,



Trending Now Research Areas

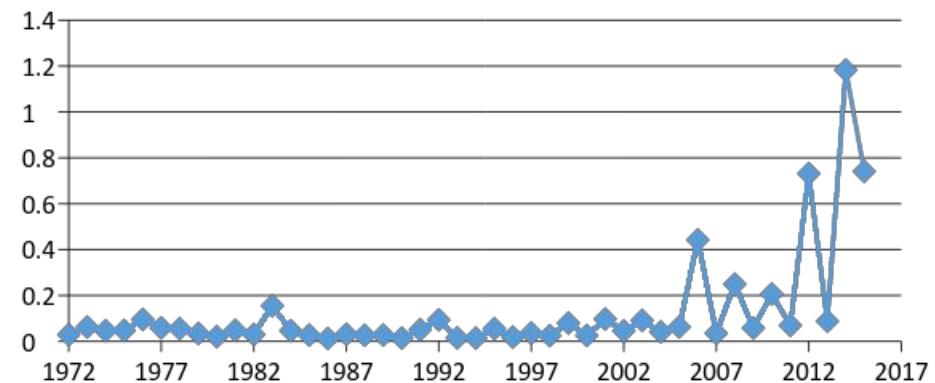
Approximate Computing

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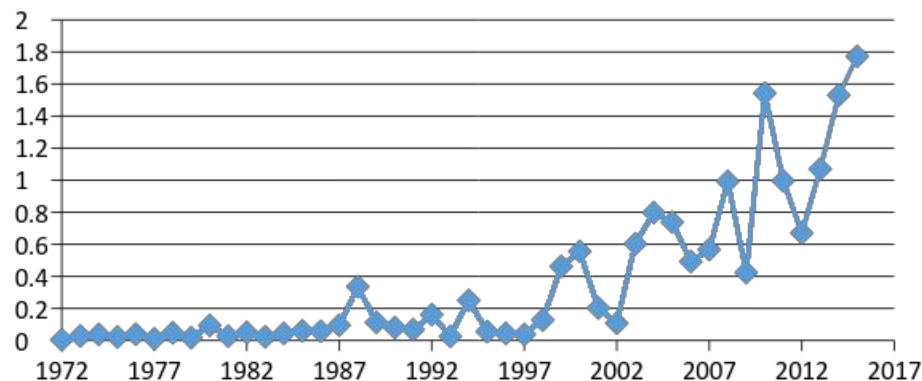
Hardware Security

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security, channels,



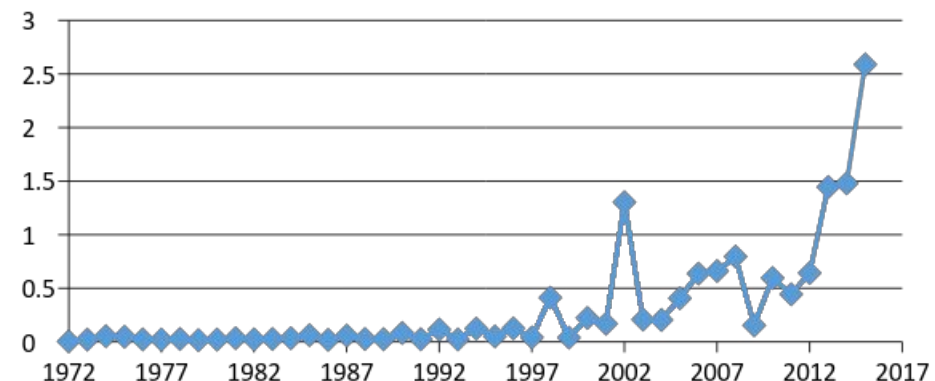
Accelerators

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recon, ow, figure,



Datacenter Architectures

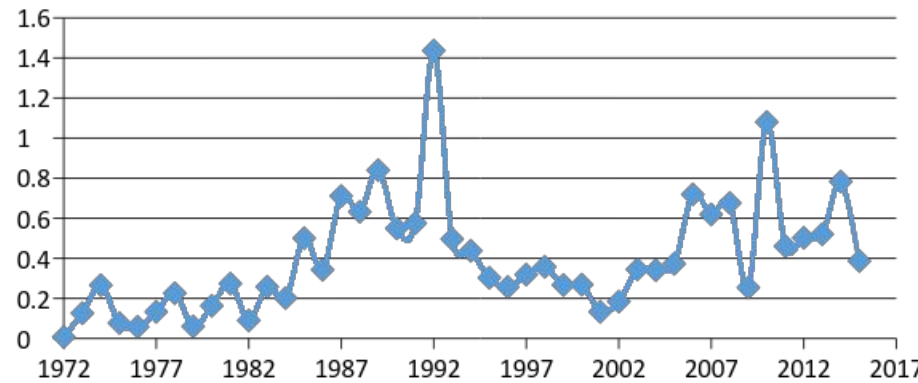
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host, http, processing, interface,
memcached,



“Eternally Relevant” Research

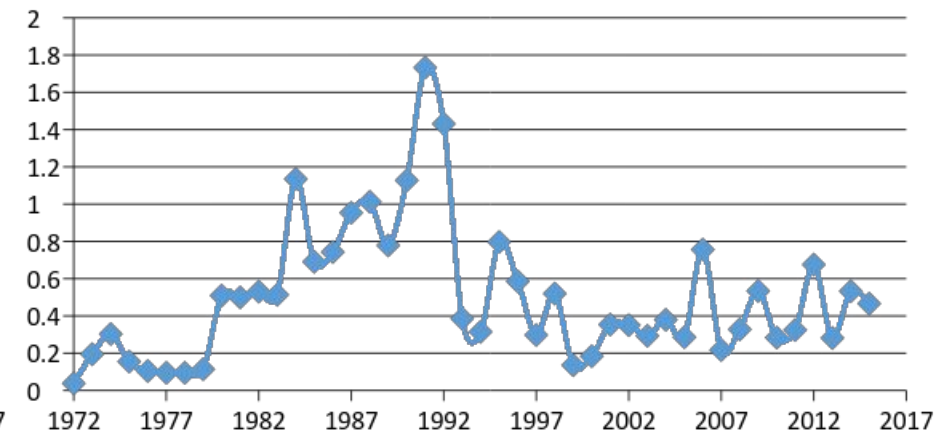
Making Sequential Things Faster

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level, parallelization, execution,
dependencies, serial, paral,



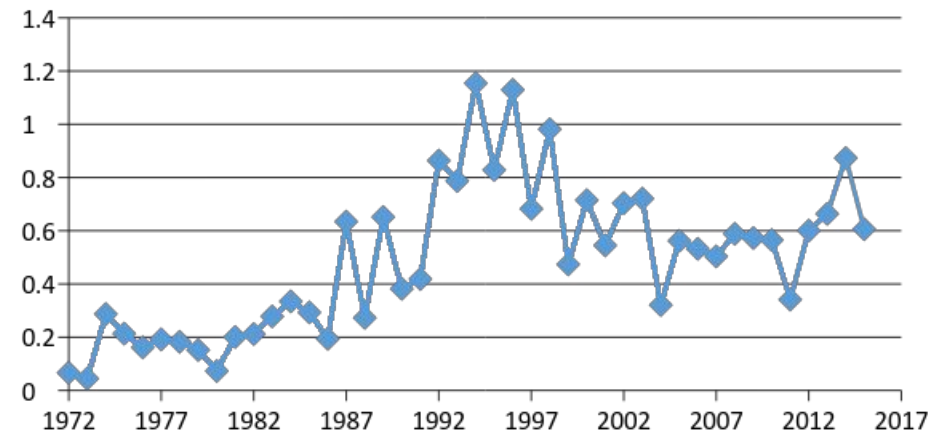
Graphs

node, graph, nodes, edges, edge, graphs,
de, set, figure, number,



Caches

miss, misses, cache, direct, spec, size, data,
mapped, cpi, benchmarks



Agenda

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| 8:30 | Intro remarks by Luis Ceze and Tom Wenisch |
| 8:50 | Mark Hill (Wisconsin) on “21st Century Computer Architecture” |
| 9:10 | Tom Conte (GeorgiaTech) on “IEEE Rebooting Computing Initiative & International Roadmap of Devices and Systems” |
| 9:30 | Devices Keynote: Philip Wong (Stanford) on “Device Technologies for the N3XT 1,000X Improvement in Computing Performance” |
| 10:30 | Break |
| 11:00 | Steve Keckler (nVidia/UT Austin) on “The Influence of Academic Research on Industry R&D” |
| 11:25 | Michael Taylor (UCSD) on “Open Source HW: Architecture’s Only Hope for Survival” |
| 11:45 | Alvy Lebeck (Duke) on “Computing and Biomolecules” |
| 12:05 | Yuan Xie (UCSB) on “Technology-driven Architecture Innovation: Challenges and Opportunities” |
| 12:30 | Lunch |
| 14:00 | Applications Keynote: Kayvon Fatahalian (CMU) on “100 Quadrillion Live Pixels: The Challenge of Continuously Interpreting, Organizing, and Generating the World’s Visual Information” |
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Arch 2030 Break-out Session

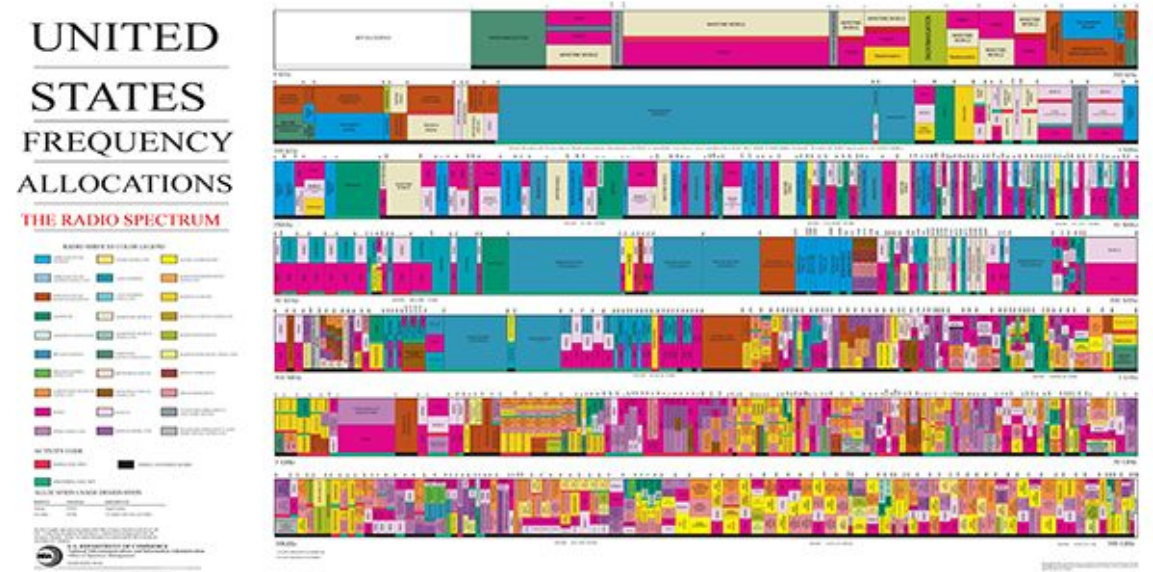


Break-out session discussion topic

- Articulate a grand-challenge/big-idea for the architecture community
 - Short description accessible to broader CS
 - What is the expected benefit if successful?
 - How will it push the field forward?
 - Which related disciplines will it draw from (PL, OS, ML, etc)? And how?

Example: DARPA grand challenges

- Smart collaborative spectrum allocation (2016)
- Self-driving car in urban settings (2007)



Logistics

- Prep a 5-minute report-out
 - Please use the Google Slides template
 - <https://goo.gl/ltWjWU>
- 5 groups (you should have a paper with a number)
 - Groups 1 in this room, 2, 3, 4 and 5 along the hallway rooms
- Leaders:
 - 1. Ras Bodik
 - 2. Joel Emer
 - 3. Sarita Adve
 - 4. Babak Falsafi
 - 5. David Wood

Report-out: 5pm

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Heilmeier's Catechism

1. What are you trying to do? Articulate your objectives using absolutely no jargon.
2. How is it done today, and what are the limits of current practice?
3. What's new in your approach and why do you think it will be successful?
4. Who cares? If you're successful, what difference will it make?
5. What are the risks and the payoffs?
6. How much will it cost? How long will it take?
7. What are the midterm and final assessments to check for success?