

Introduction

CPE380/CS380, Spring 2024

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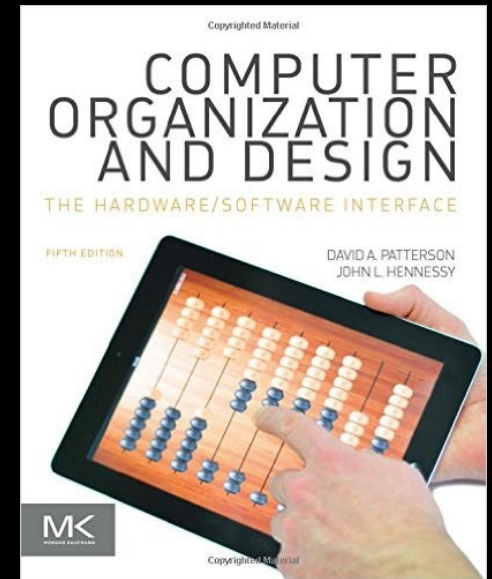
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Course Overview

- You know how to write a simple program... from **CS** courses
- You know how to build simple combinatorial and sequential logic circuits from **ECE** courses (especially CPE282 or EE280/EE281)
- **This course fills the gap between the two:**
 - So you can **better specify & use** that stuff
 - So you can **create** the stuff in between
 - There will be implementations in **Verilog**

Textbook

- The text is:
Computer Organization & Design, 5th Edition: The Hardware/Software Interface by Patterson & Hennessy
- You can use any MIPS edition from 2nd – 6th, but we'll reference sections from the 5th
- We will not assign problems from the text
- Lots of additional materials at the course URL and presented in class... **text is reference only**



Grading & Such

- One midterm exam, ~15%
- One final exam, ~20%
- Material from lectures, the text as cited, canvas, or from the course URL:
<http://aggregate.org/CPE380/>
- Individual & team Projects, ~50%
- Homework, ~15%
- You are expected to regularly attend class
- I try not to curve much; always in your favor

Course Content

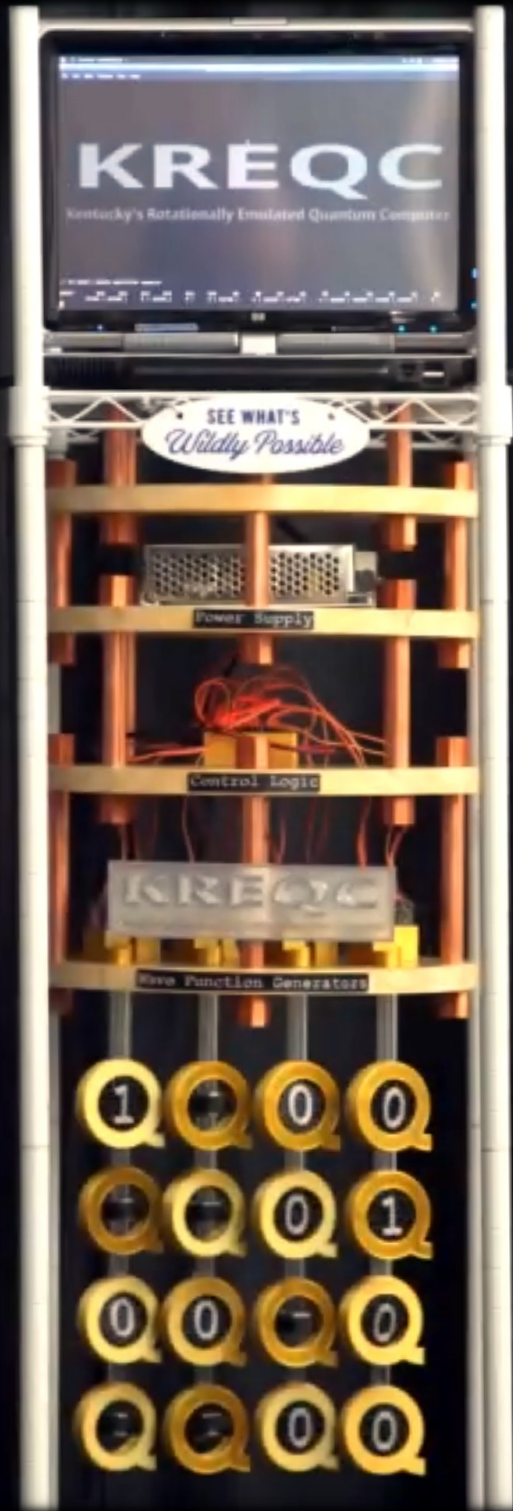
Lectures	Topic
1	Introduction
3	Verilog (individual project)
4	Multi-cycle machine (team project)
1	Performance analysis
4	Machine & assembly languages
2	Single-cycle machine (team project)
4	Integer & float arithmetic
4	Pipelined machine (team project)
3	Memory hierarchy
1	I/O and peripherals
2	Supercomputing & parallel processing

Schedule Notes

- You'll be reading and writing Verilog code
 - You'll see lots of Verilog implementations
 - There are 1 individual and 3 team projects
- I will be presenting two papers at the EI2024 (IS&T Electronic Imaging) conference and will be in flight, so **NO CLASS January 23**

Me (and why I'm biased)

- **Hank Dietz**, ECE Professor and James F. Hardyman Chair in Networking
- Office: **203 Marksbury**
- Research in parallel compilers & architectures:
 - Built 1st Linux PC cluster supercomputer
 - Antlr, AFNs, SWAR, FNNs, MOG, ...
 - Various awards & world records for best price/performance in supercomputing
- Lab: **108/108A Marksbury** – I have **TOYS!**



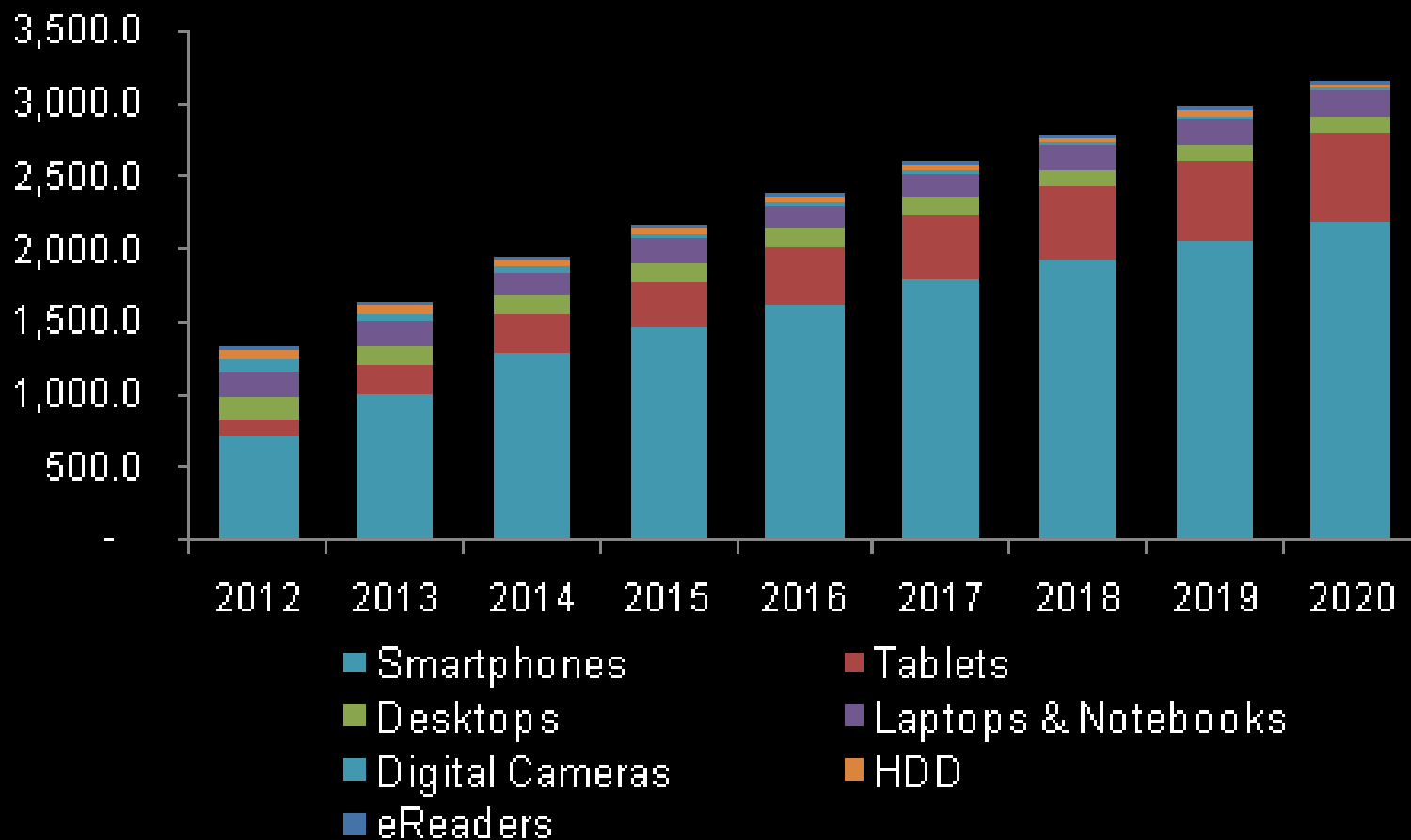
Electrical & Computer Engineering



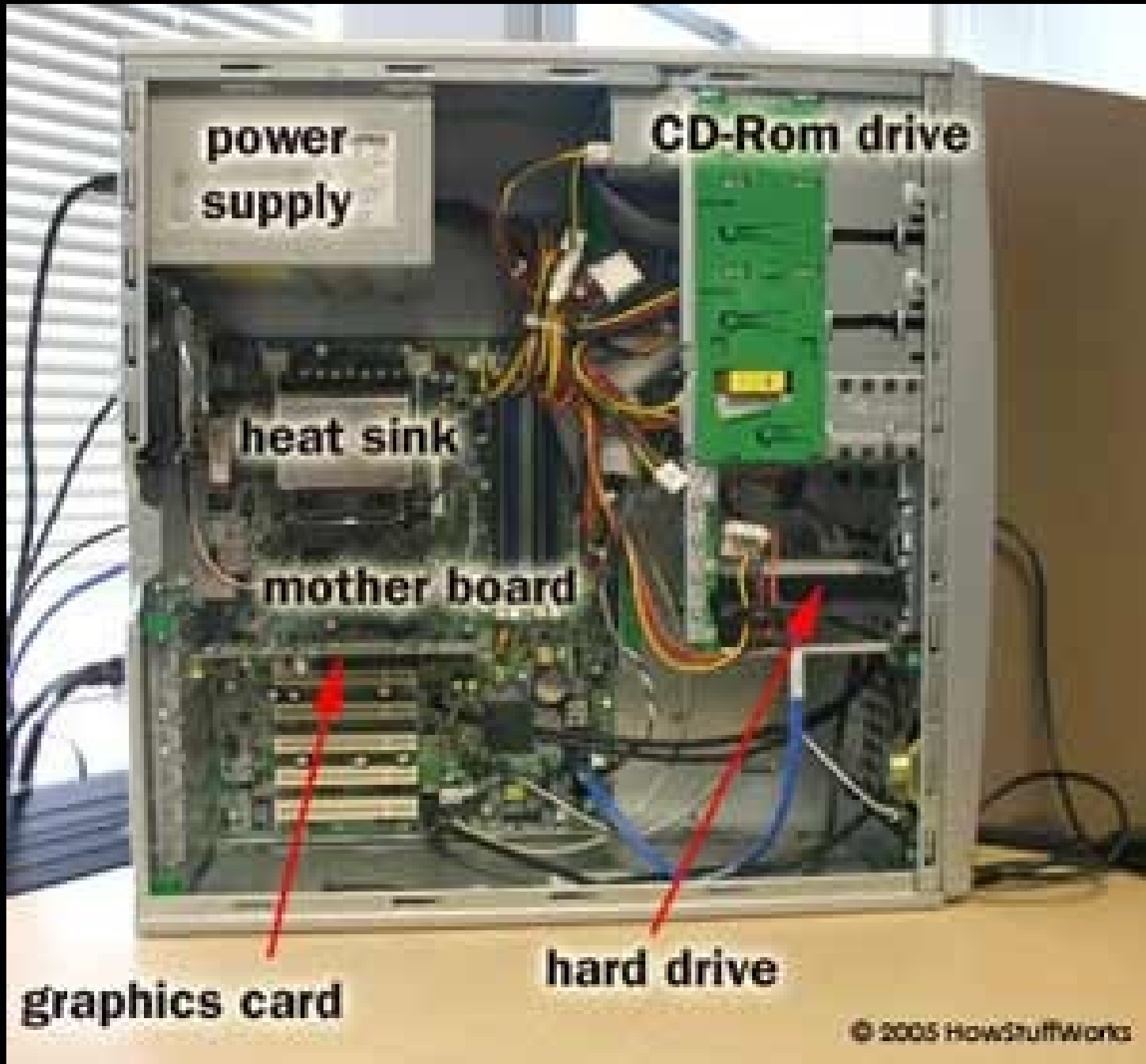
Let's Talk About Computers

- Embedded computers, IoT (Internet of Things)
- Personal Mobile Devices (PMDs)... usually “smart phones” and tablets
- Personal Computers (PCs)
- Servers
- Supercomputers
- Clusters, Farms, Grids, and Clouds (Warehouse Scale Computers – WSC, Software as a Service – SaaS)

M-Unit Sales, Global Personal Electronics



What's Inside?



power
supply

CD-Rom drive

heat sink

mother board

graphics card

hard drive





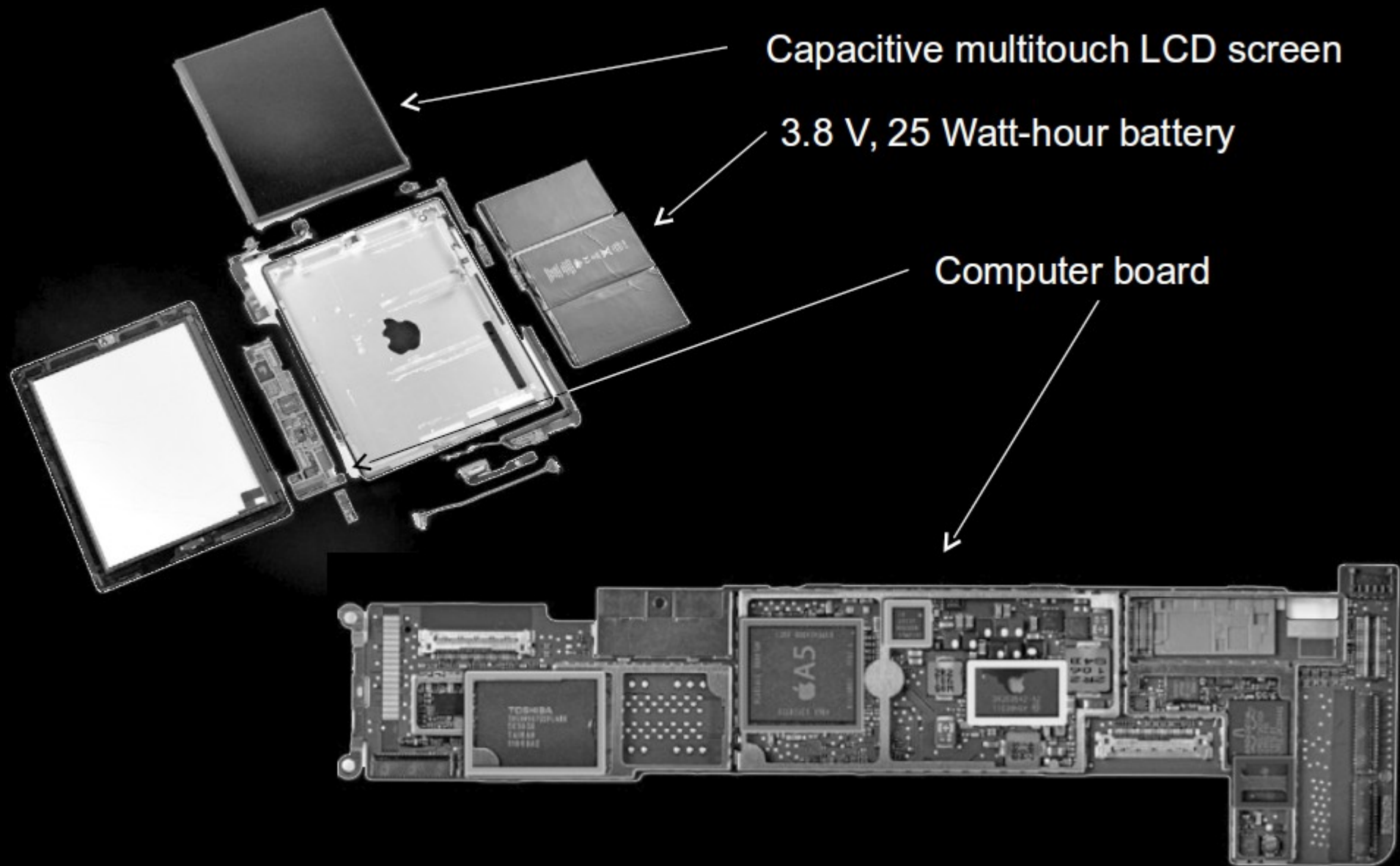
LCD

heat sink

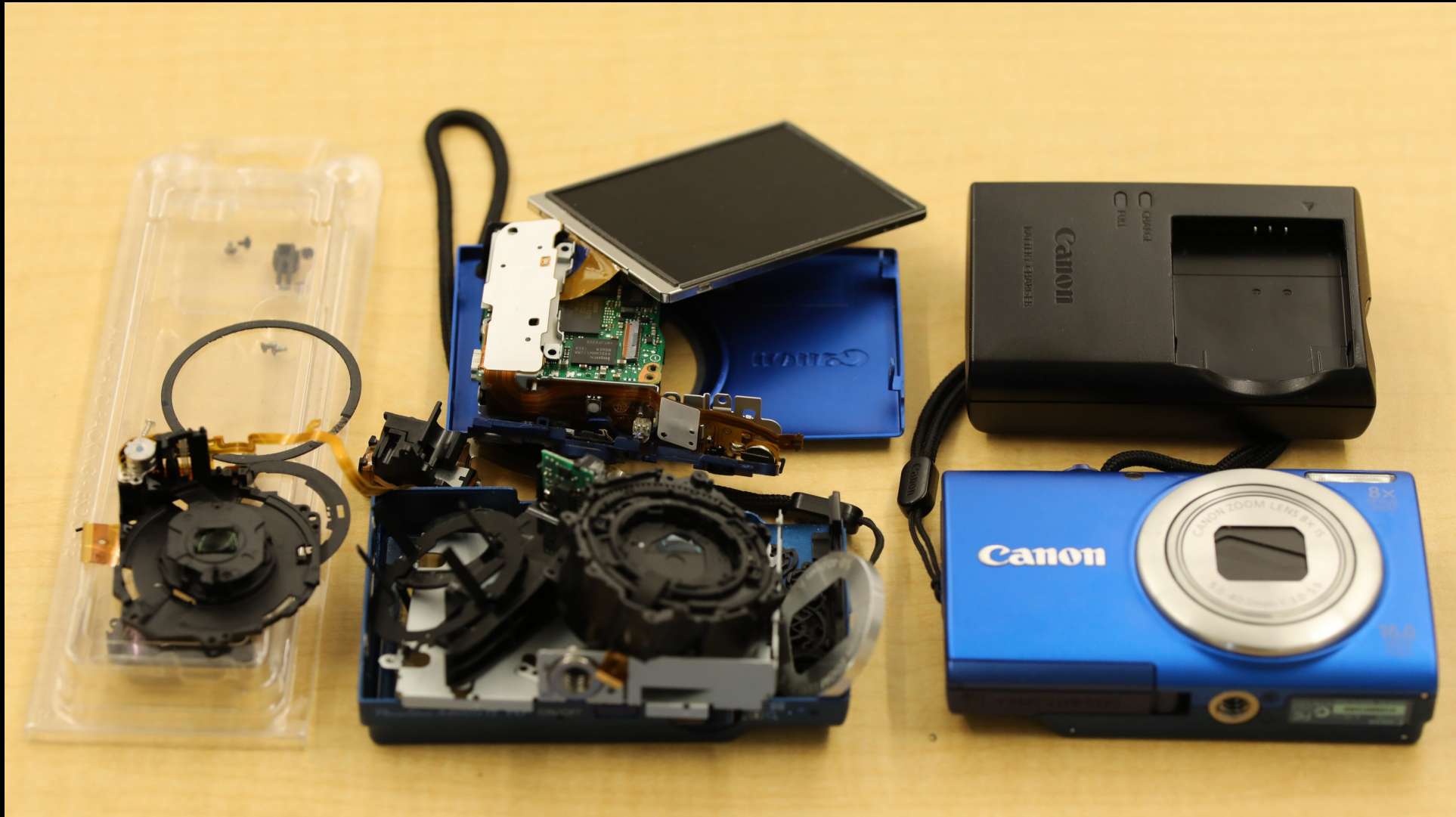
mother board

processor

graphics chip







FlashAir

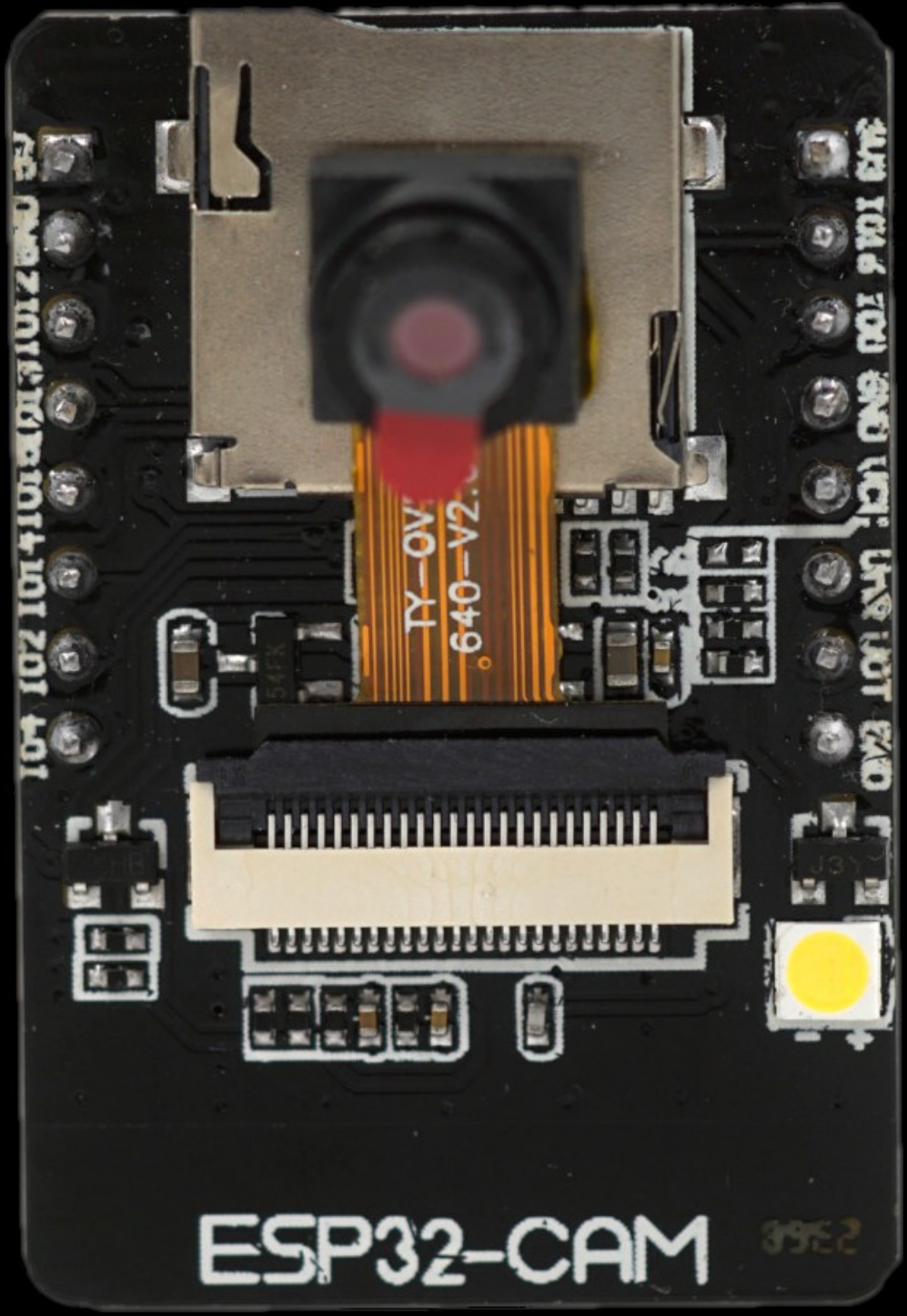
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Wireless LAN

UHS-I 10 SD 32 GB

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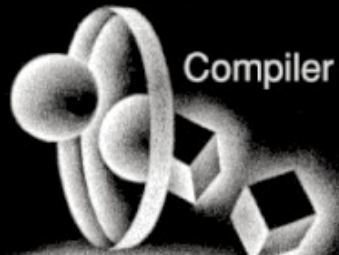
ESP32-CAM

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IO4 IO2 IO1 IO1 IO2 IO3 IO1 IO2 IO3

IO3 IO1 IO2 IO1 IO2 IO3 IO1 IO2 IO3

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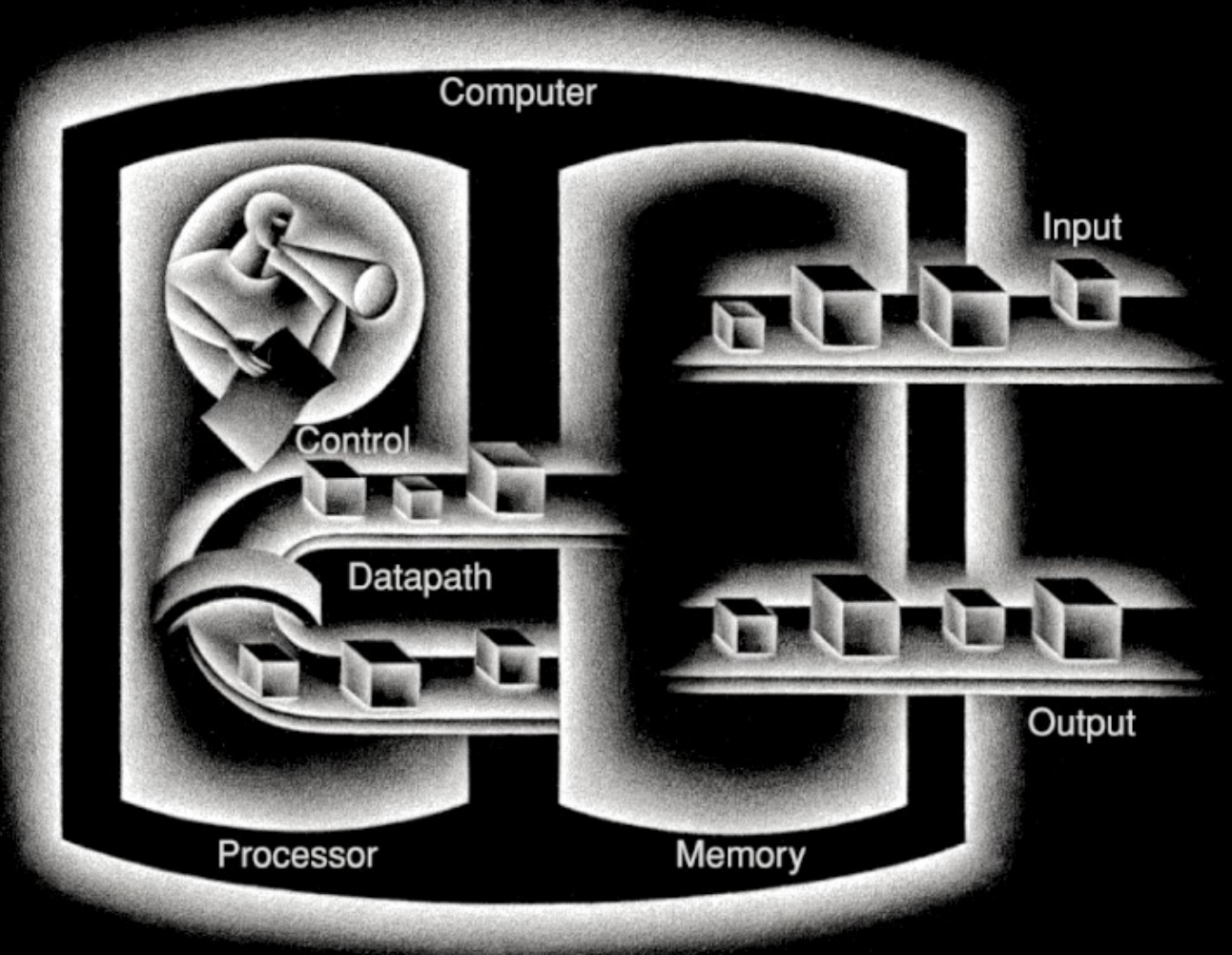


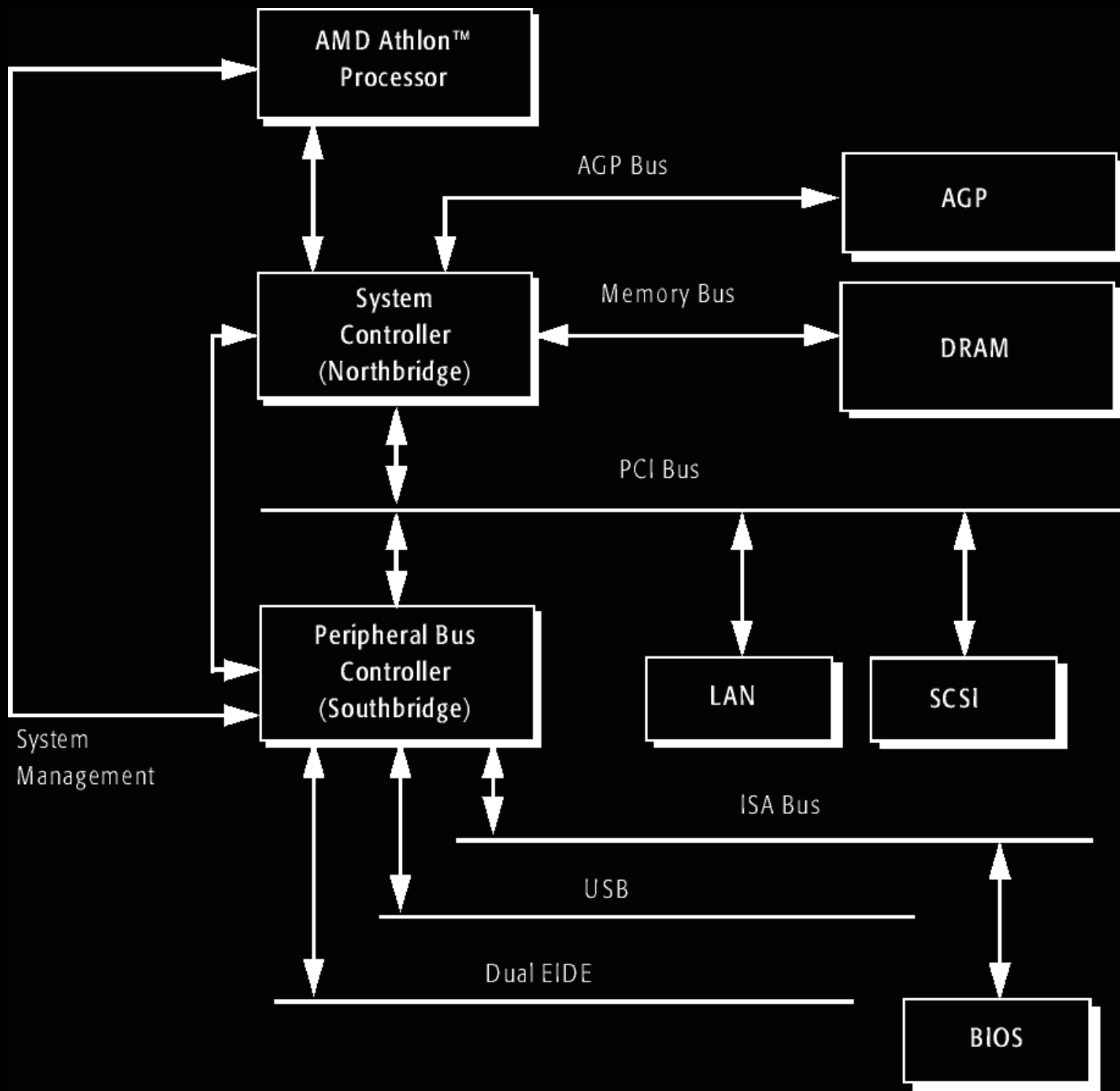
Compiler

Interface



Evaluating performance



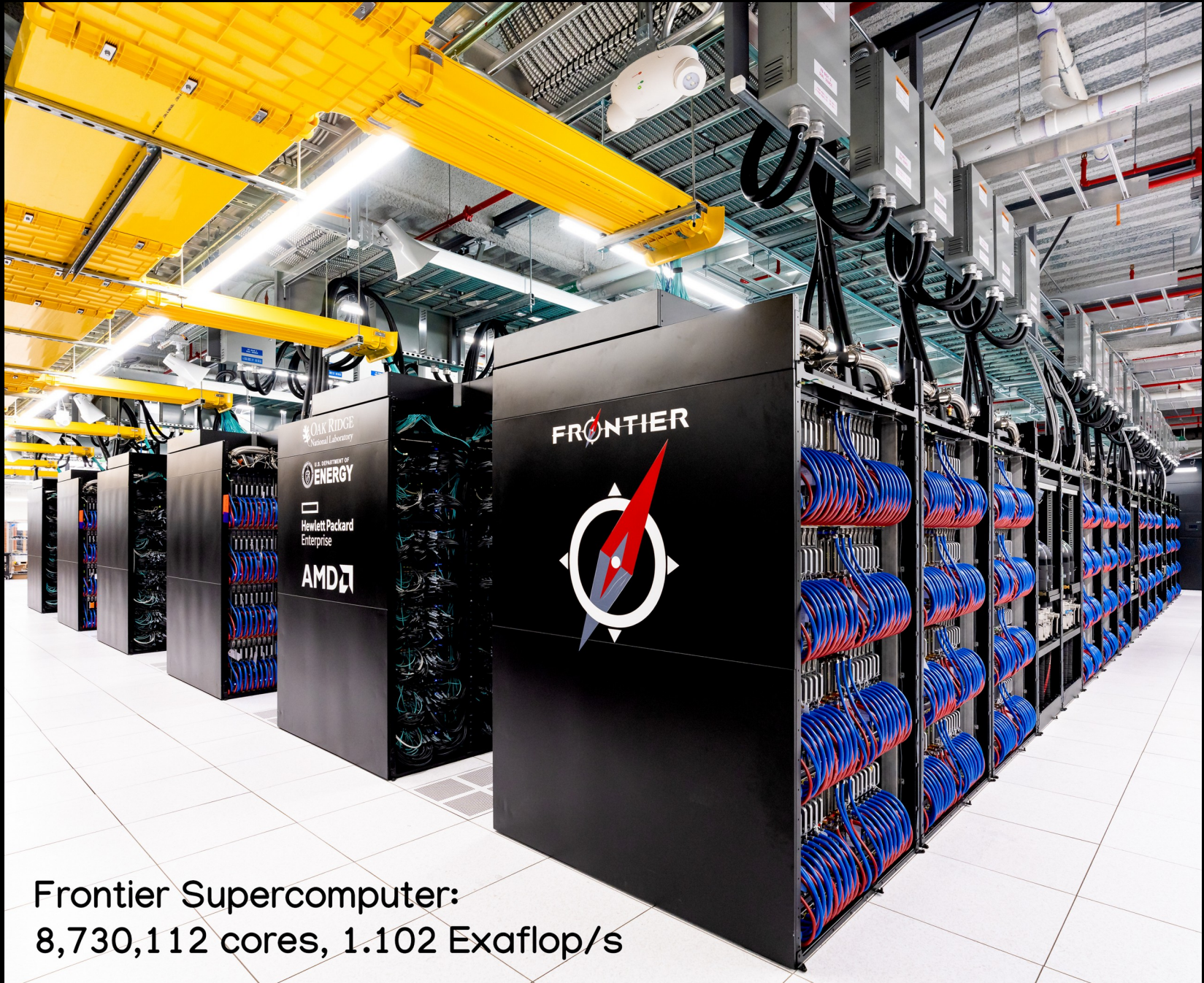


Processor Terminology

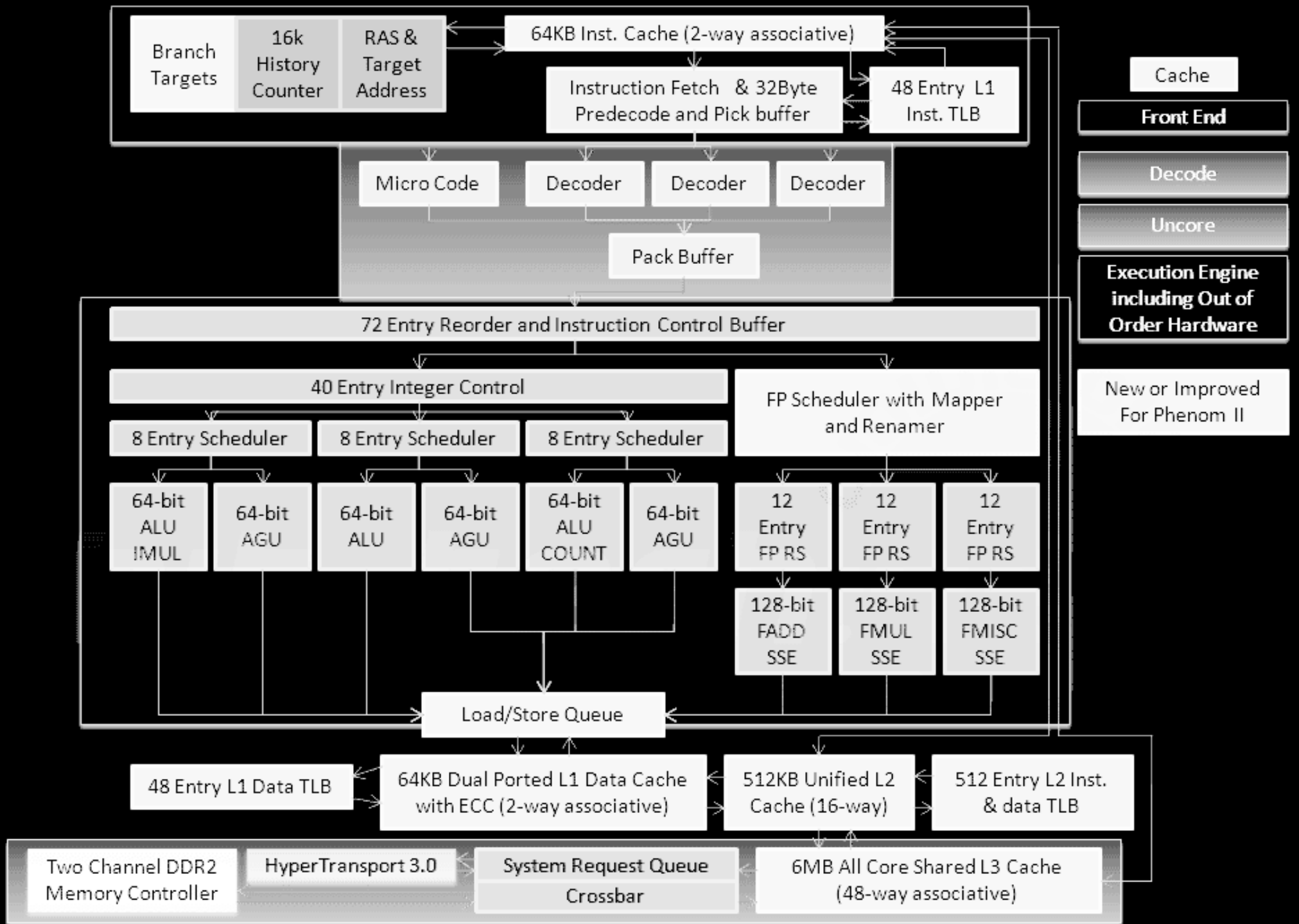
- CPU – Central Processing Unit
- PE, Core – Processing Element
- Processor – CPU or chip containing PEs
- “Computer Family” – same ISA
- x86, IA32, x64/AMD64 – Intel 386-based ISAs
- MIPS, ARM, SPARC – other common ISAs
- DSP – Digital Signal Processor
- GPU – Graphics Processing Unit
- Tensor – Matrix support for neural networks
- Quantum – Combinatorial use of **superposition**

Complexity is Increasing!

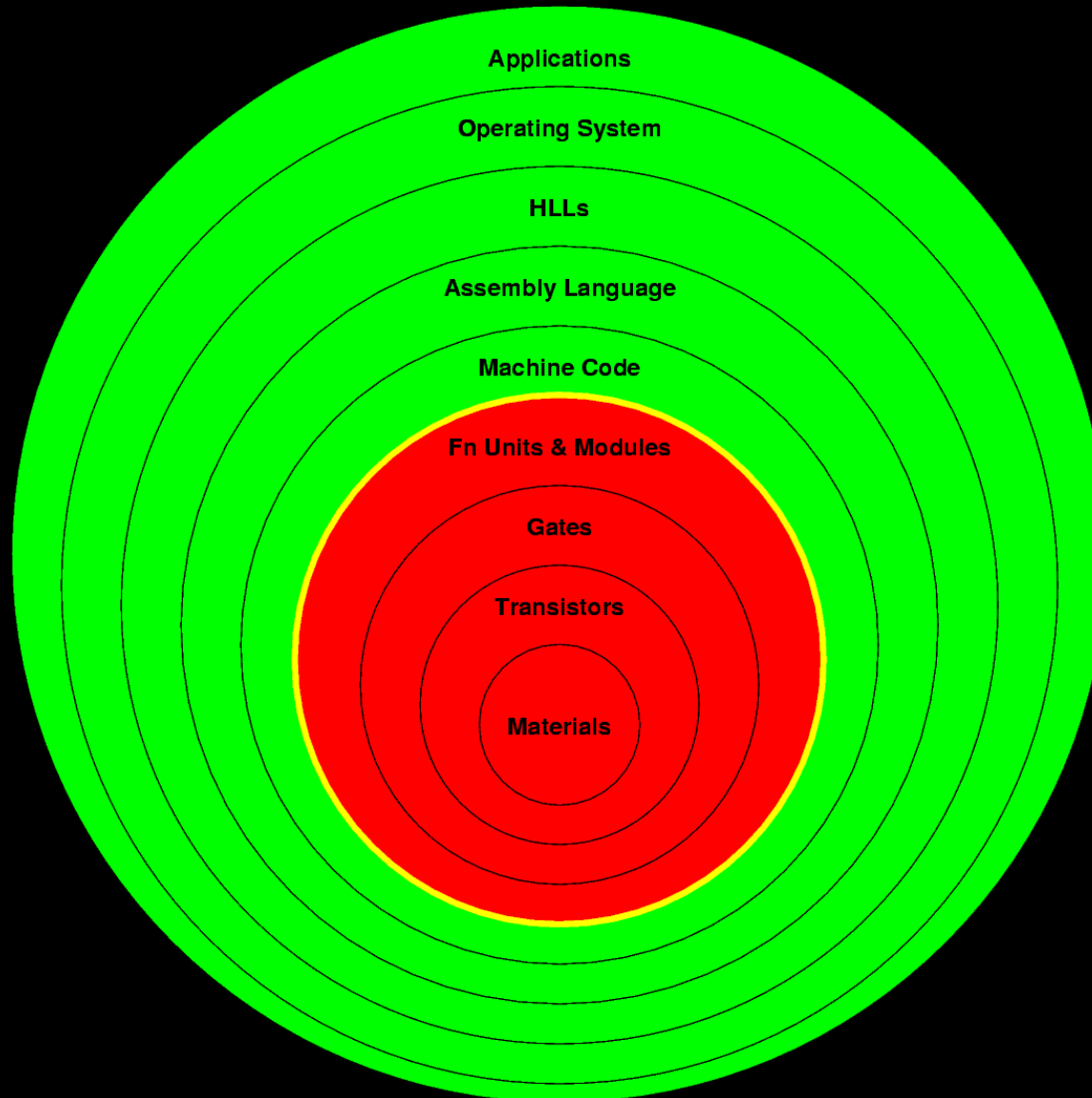
- Lots of things you use every day have **BILLIONS** of components!
- You don't live long enough to know it all



Frontier Supercomputer:
8,730,112 cores, 1.102 Exaflop/s



Abstraction “Onion”



Software Layers

- Applications...
- Operating Systems (OS)...
- High-Level Languages (HLLs)
Aka, High Order Languages (HOLs)
 - Designed for humans to write & read
 - Modularity
 - Abstract data types, type checking
 - Assignment statements
 - Control constructs
 - I/O statements

Instruction Set Architecture

- ISA defines HW/SW interface
- **Assembly Language**
 - Operations match hardware abilities
 - Relatively simple & limited operations
 - Mnemonic (human readable?)
- **Machine Language**
 - Bit patterns – 0s and 1s
 - Actually executed by the hardware

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;
}
```

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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
```

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Assembler

Binary machine
language
program
(for MIPS)

```
000000001010000100000000000011000
000000000000110000001100000100001
100011000110001000000000000000000
100011001111001000000000000000100
101011001111001000000000000000000
101011000110001000000000000000100
0000001111100000000000000000001000
```

Hardware Layers

- Function-block organization
- Gates & Digital Logic (CPE282 stuff)
- Transistors
 - Used as bi-level (saturated) devices
 - Amplifiers, not just on/off switches
- Materials & Integrated Circuits
 - Implementation of transistors, etc.
 - Analog properties

Who Does What?

- Instruction Set Design, by *Architect*
 - Machine & Assembly Languages
 - “**Computer Architecture**”
 - **Instruction Set Architecture** / Processor
- Computer Hardware Design, by *Engineer*
 - Logic Design & Machine Implementation
 - “**Processor Architecture**”
 - “**Computer Organization**”

How To Use Layers

- Things are too complex to “know everything”
- Need to know only layers adjacent
 - Makes design complexity reasonable
 - Makes things reusable
- Can **tunnel** to lower layers
 - For efficiency
 - For special capabilities

8 Great Ideas

- Design for Moore's Law
- Abstraction
- Make the common case fast
- Pipelining
- Parallelism
- Prediction
- Hierarchy of memories
- Dependability via redundancy



SI Terminology Of Scale

1000^1	kilo	k	1000^{-1}	milli	m
1000^2	mega	M	1000^{-2}	micro	u
1000^3	giga	G	1000^{-3}	nano	n
1000^4	tera	T	1000^{-4}	pico	p
1000^5	peta	P	1000^{-5}	femto	f
1000^6	exa	E			

- 1000^x vs. 1024^x
- 1 **Byte (B)** is 8-10 bits (**b**), 4 bits in a **Nybble**
- Hertz (**Hz**) is frequency (vs. period)

Conclusion

- LOTS of stuff to know about...
focus of this course is the basic stuff around the ISA and its implementation
- A lot of computer system design is about how to build efficient systems despite incredibly high and rapidly increasing system complexity
- Look at the history references on the WWW:
not to memorize who, what, when, & where,
but to *see trends...*