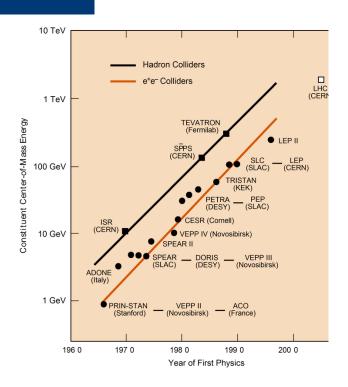


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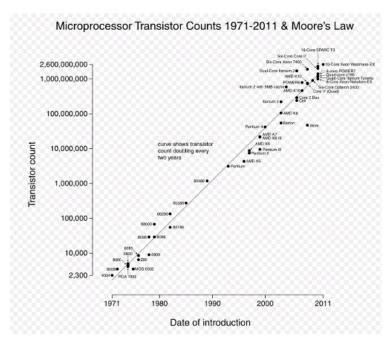
Roger Barlow



Computers get faster



Livingston Plot



Moore's Law



So?

Most of us spend most of our time with computers

- We can do calculations more quickly
- We can do different calculations
- We can use calculations in a different way
- These can change our whole approach to the way we plan and work

Provided we are prepared to learn to use new tools, not just stick with familiar desktops and laptops.



Different 'Parallel' Architectures

Many Cores
Not connected
(Condor)

Many Cores linked (Beowulf) Many Cores
On 1 chip
(MIC)

Many specially configured Cores (GPU)

Different Problems

Independent identical particles/cells

Independent different particles/cells

Connected particles/cells

Dependent steps

Need to match...



Day 1: What we can do now

Existing packages GENESIS and VSIM (formerly VORPAL) implemented on Hartree HPC cluster

(Also GPT available: ELEGANT available soon)

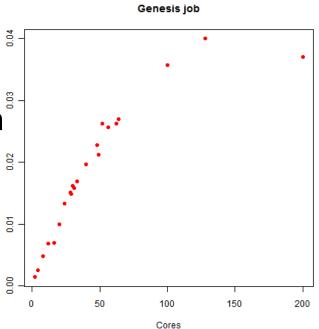
Thanks to David, Jonny, Bas and Peter, and to support from Rob and other Hartree centre people.

First use of training centre.

~45 people have now used HPC

Graph shows speed up I obtained on GENESIS job from using many cores 3

Impressive to get 2400 CPU sec job back in < 1 minute





Day 2: Learning from others

- Wide range of different HPC systems and techniques
- Wide range of people and problems
- What they've done maybe interesting directly
 or by analogy
- The experiences of early explorers inspire other program authors to follow