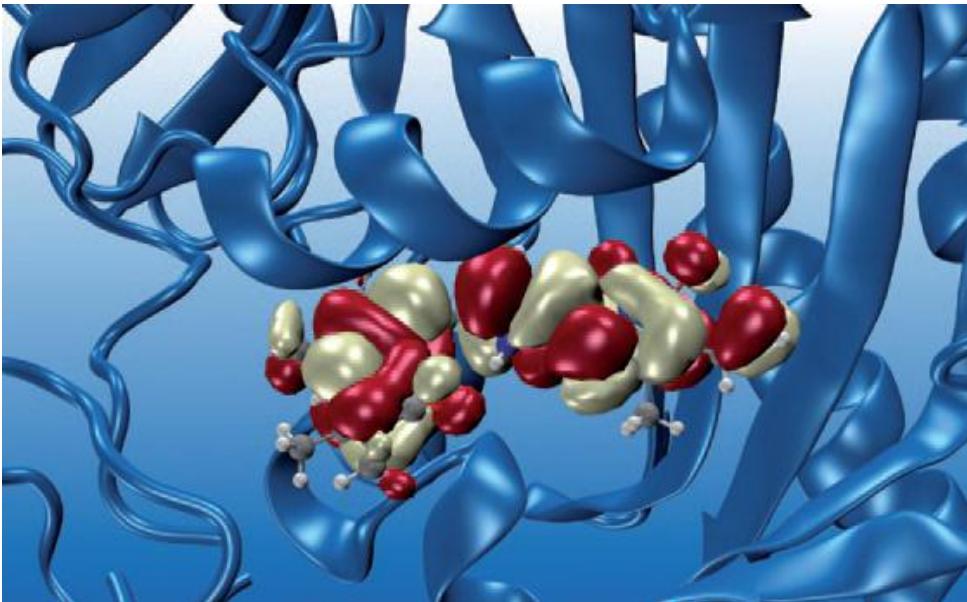
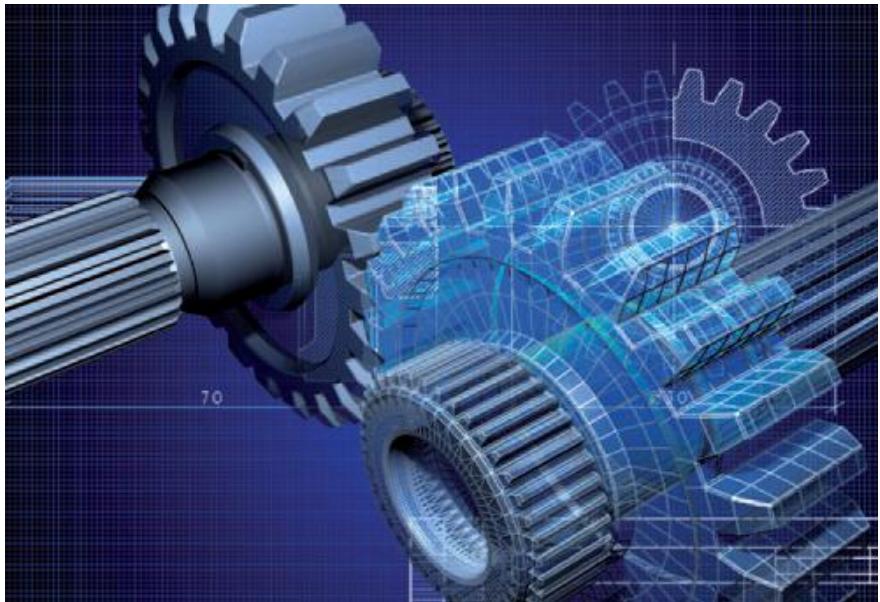




Who can beat X86?

*Piero Altoè*

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## HARDWARE AGNOSTICS

Our “hardware agnostic” approach allows us to provide highly personalized solutions of outstanding quality, which adhere to the customer’s needs without favoring one technology over another.

We offer state of the art informatics at the best possible price/performance ratio and we even give the opportunity to test the system from remote or in loco, so as to further help the customer in choosing the right product and making a thoughtful purchase free from unexpected events.



## E4® PRODUCT RANGE

Our product range is as diverse as our customer base

- Workstation for scientific/engineering applications  
(CAD, CAE, CFD, FEM, etc.)
- Workstation for professional editing
- Computing Server
- Virtualization Server data center/ISP
- Cluster Server in high availability
- Storage server/NAS
- Storage/SAN in high availability
- HPC storage
- HPC cluster
- GPU cluster
- Advanced visualization systems (stereoscopy, 3D cave ...)
- Data centers

## R&D

Our R&D department is made of engineers specialized in hardware, software and applications. Research focuses on intense studies of the most innovative technologies so as to increase the Company's technical/scientific knowledge. With the acquired know-how we develop and create prototypes, then the first pilot series up to the finished product, ready to be manufactured.



Our staff's knowledge and efficiency, paired to their daily relationship with the main manufacturers of technology, allow E4® to offer ever innovative products with the best Time to Market available, to ensure the effectiveness of our customers' IT investments.



## CERTIFICATIONS

- ISO 9001:2008
- ISO 14001:2004
- Intel Platinum Technology Provider
- Tesla Preferred Provider
- AMD Platinum Premier
- VMware – professional solution provider
- Microsoft Gold certified
- Intel Cluster Ready



## CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

*Definition from EU is : «The responsibility of enterprises for their impacts on society»*

*For E4, which has always been committed in this area, being socially responsible means not only fulfilling legal obligations, but also going beyond compliance and investing in human capital, in relations with stakeholders and sustainable development.*



case history



## CERN – Geneva (Switzerland)

**INFN**  
Istituto Nazionale  
di Fisica Nucleare

Riconoscimento di eccellenza nella collaborazione industriale per gli esperimenti ATLAS e CMS al Large Hadron Collider del CERN in occasione della scoperta del Bosone di Higgs.

**E4 Computer Engineering S.p.A.  
Scandiano (RE)**

Fornitura di processori per il trigger di alto livello e per i sistemi di calcolo T1/T2 degli esperimenti ATLAS e CMS.

**CMS** **ATLAS EXPERIMENT**

The background of the slide features a dark image of a particle collision event, showing a central yellow and red interaction point with many colored tracks radiating outwards.

5.357 dual socket mainboards  
68.476 cores  
34.300 server grade hard disks  
67PB

Ref: Olof Barrig, Fatima Najeh



### Tier 1 (CNAF)

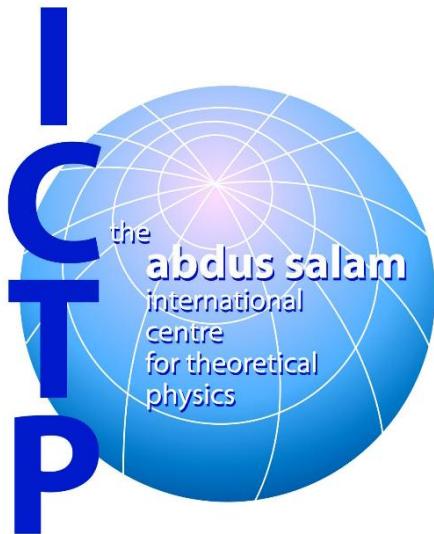
- > 12PB HPC storage (DDN with GPFS)
- > 1.000 server dual socket (~ 10k computing cores)
- Several GPU systems
- 4h intervention times

### Tier 2-3

- > 5PB direct attached storage (Alice – CMS)
- > 3.500 server dual socket (~ 30k computing cores)
- Several GPU systems
- NBD intervention times

*Ref: Mauro Morandin, Gianpaolo Carlino, Alessandro De Salvo*

## ICTP - Trieste (Italy)



High Performance Computing Cluster:

212 dual socket server  
> 1.500 computing cores

Infiniband Host Channel adapter QDR 40Gbps

Infiniband Switch QDR 40Gbps

Networking

E4 HPC Suite

*Ref: Clement Onime, Ulrich Singe*

**ENEA Italian National Agency for New  
Technologies, Energy and Sustainable  
Economic Development - Roma (Italy)**

High Performance Computing Cluster (Cresco 4):



256 dual socket server  
4.096 computing cores  
Infiniband Host Channel adapter QDR 40Gbps  
Infiniband Switch 336 QDR 40Gbps ports  
Networking  
E4 HPC Suite

*Ref: Giovanni Bracco, Silvio Migliori*

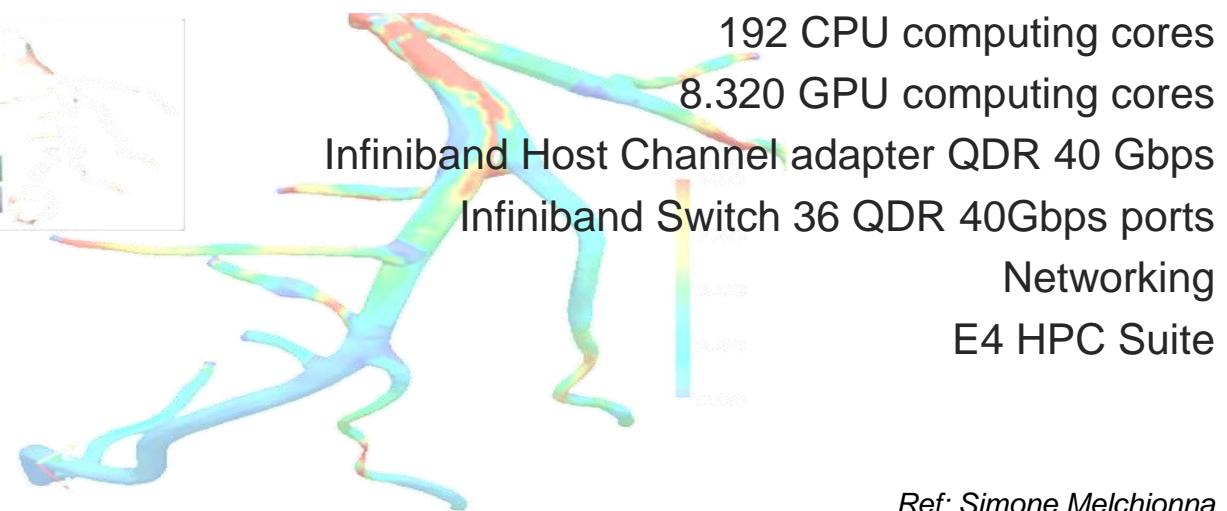
*delivery scheduled for Sept. '13*



ÉCOLE POLYTECHNIQUE  
FÉDÉRALE DE LAUSANNE



Prof. Efthimios Kaxiras



Ref: Simone Melchionna



Eidgenössische Technische Hochschule Zürich  
Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich

## ETH - Zurich (Switzerland)



HPC Hybrid (GPU/CPU) Cluster:

- 432 CPU computing cores
- 16.128 GPU computing cores
- Infiniband Host Channel adapter QDR 40 Gbps
- Infiniband Switch 432 QDR 40Gbps ports
- 1PB Lustre Storage (sustained 20Gb/s)
- 180 TB Panasas Storage



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## Nato Undersea Research Center - La Spezia (Italy)

Computing Server & HPC Storage:

- > 1.000 CPU computing cores
- > 10.000 GPU computing cores
- HPC Storage Panasas > 100TB

*Ref: Francesco Baralli*

## European Synchrotron Radiation Facility - Grenoble (France)

Servers for X-ray beam data acquisition



Ref: Pierre Pinel



## European Institute of Oncology – Milano (Italy)

> 500TB ZFS Storage

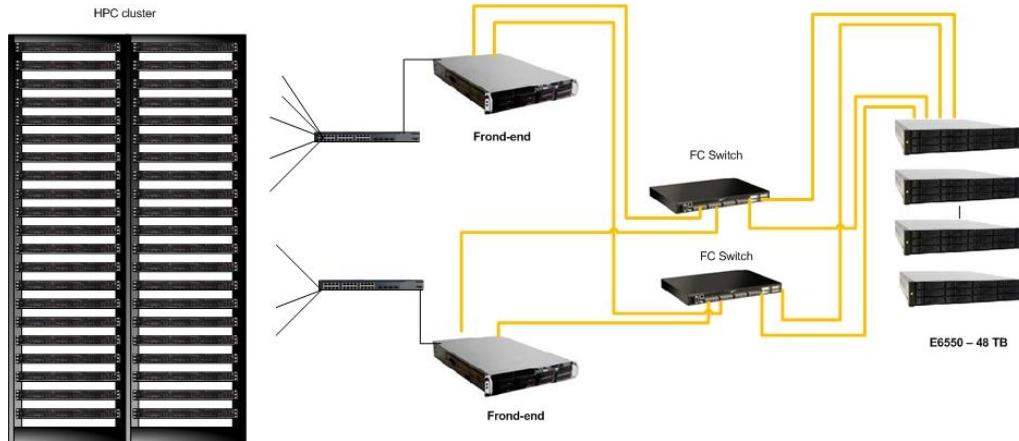
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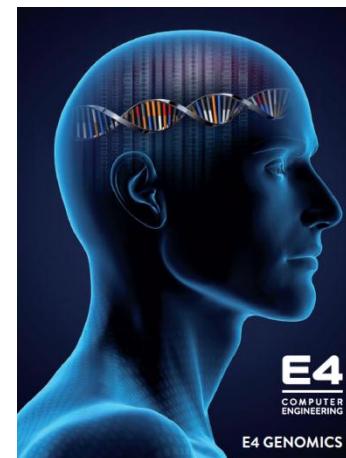


**Novartis - Siena (Italy)**

High Availability HPC Cluster (Genomics applications):



96 dual socket server  
1.152 computing cores  
Infiniband Host Channel adapter QDR 40Gbps  
Infiniband Switch QDR 40Gbps ports  
HPC Storage Panasas > 400TB  
Networking  
E4 HPC Suite



Ref: Riccardo Beltrami



# E4 Solutions

## WE ARE NOT GREEN

**A simulation of 200 ns with 90 k atoms = 1 week on 512 cores = 3200 kWh**

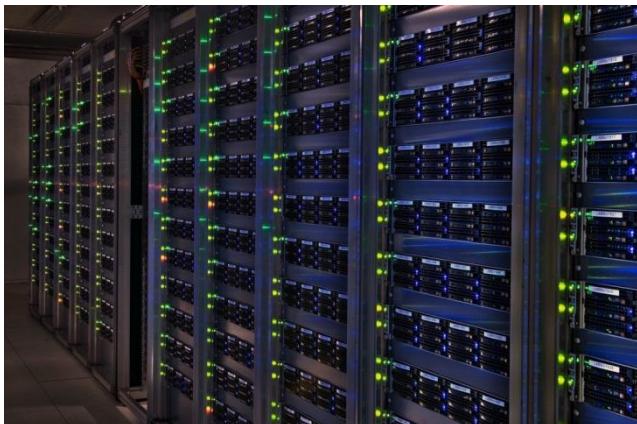
Correspond to:

- a) 1600 CO<sub>2</sub> kg**
- b) 340 € energy bill**
- c) 13000 km by car**



## WE ARE NOT GREEN

A NATIONAL SUPERCOMPUTING FACILITY HAS A YEARLY CO<sub>2</sub> FOOTPRINT COMPARABLE TO A TAKE OFF OF A SATURN V



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## Partnership



COMPUTER  
ENGINEERING



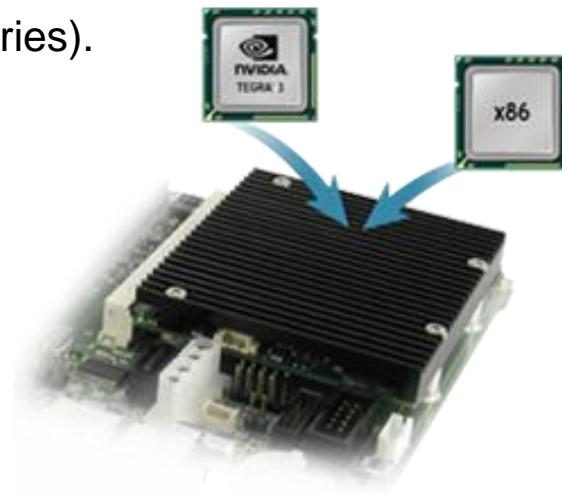
Established in 2002, **E4 Computer Engineering designs and manufactures high performance systems** which aim to accomplish both industrial and scientific research requirements and to reach a variety of customers ranging from universities to computing centers. E4's focus is on HPC although our expertise extends to all segments of IT.

**SECO is an European designer and manufacturer of high integrated board computers and systems for embedded applications.** Founded in 1979 in Italy, SECO attention is focused on developing innovative products with high performances, efficiency, low power consumption and increased functionality, offering in the meantime a short time-to-market.

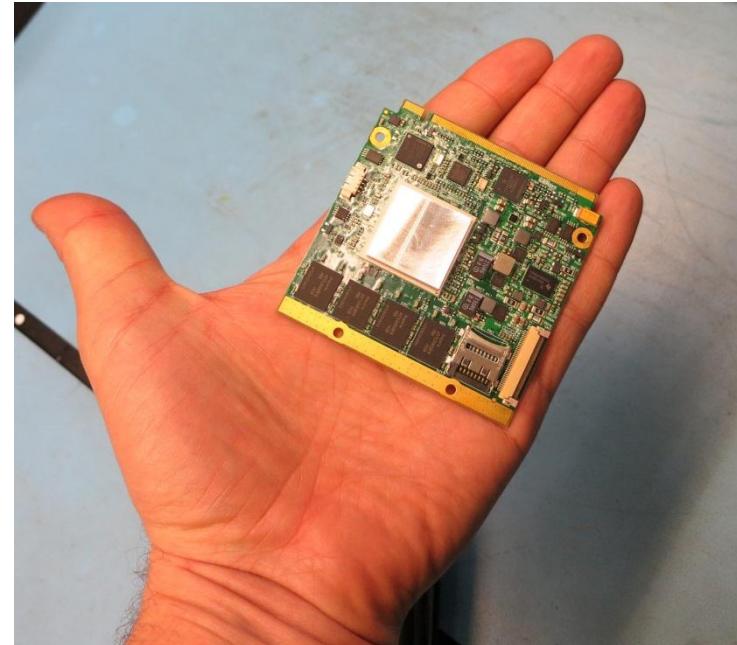
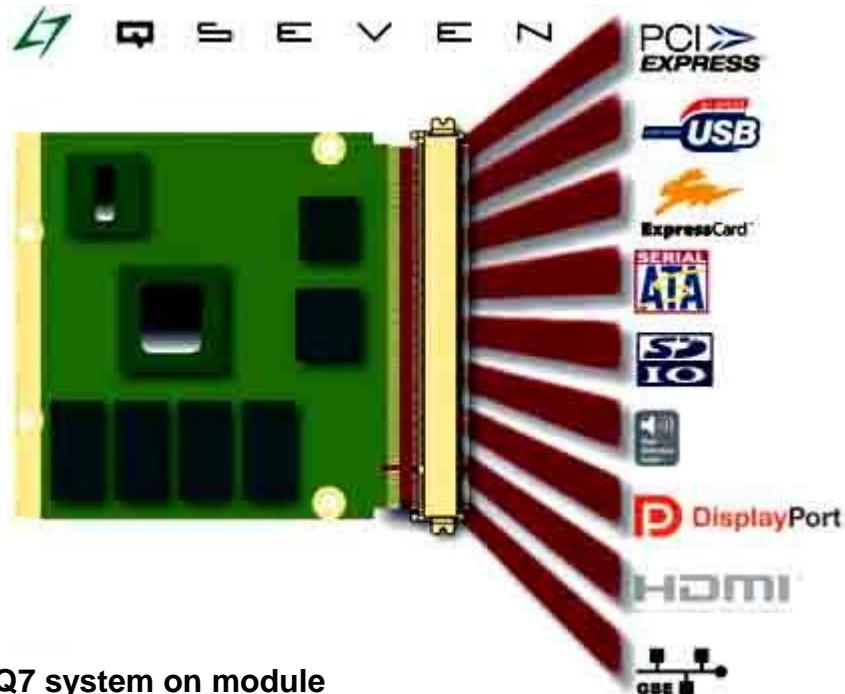
## Modular Embedded Server (MES)

A MES is a stripped down server computer based on SoM optimized to minimize the use of physical space and energy.

- Embedded CPUs, memory, controllers,...
- Equipped with low power CPUs (ARM, ATOM, G-Series).
- Based on System on Module (SoM)
- Easy to maintain



## General purpose, power-efficient



## ARKA MicroCluster Blade

Features	ARKA Blade
CPU	NVIDIA® Tegra® 3 ARM Cortex A9 Quad-Core
GPU	NVIDIA Quadro® 1000M with 96 CUDA Cores
Memory	2GB x CPU 2GB x GPU
Peak Performance	270 Single Precision GFLOPS
Network	1x Gigabit Ethernet
Storage	1x SATA 2.0 Connector
USB	3x USB 2.0
Display	3x HDMI (serial console available)



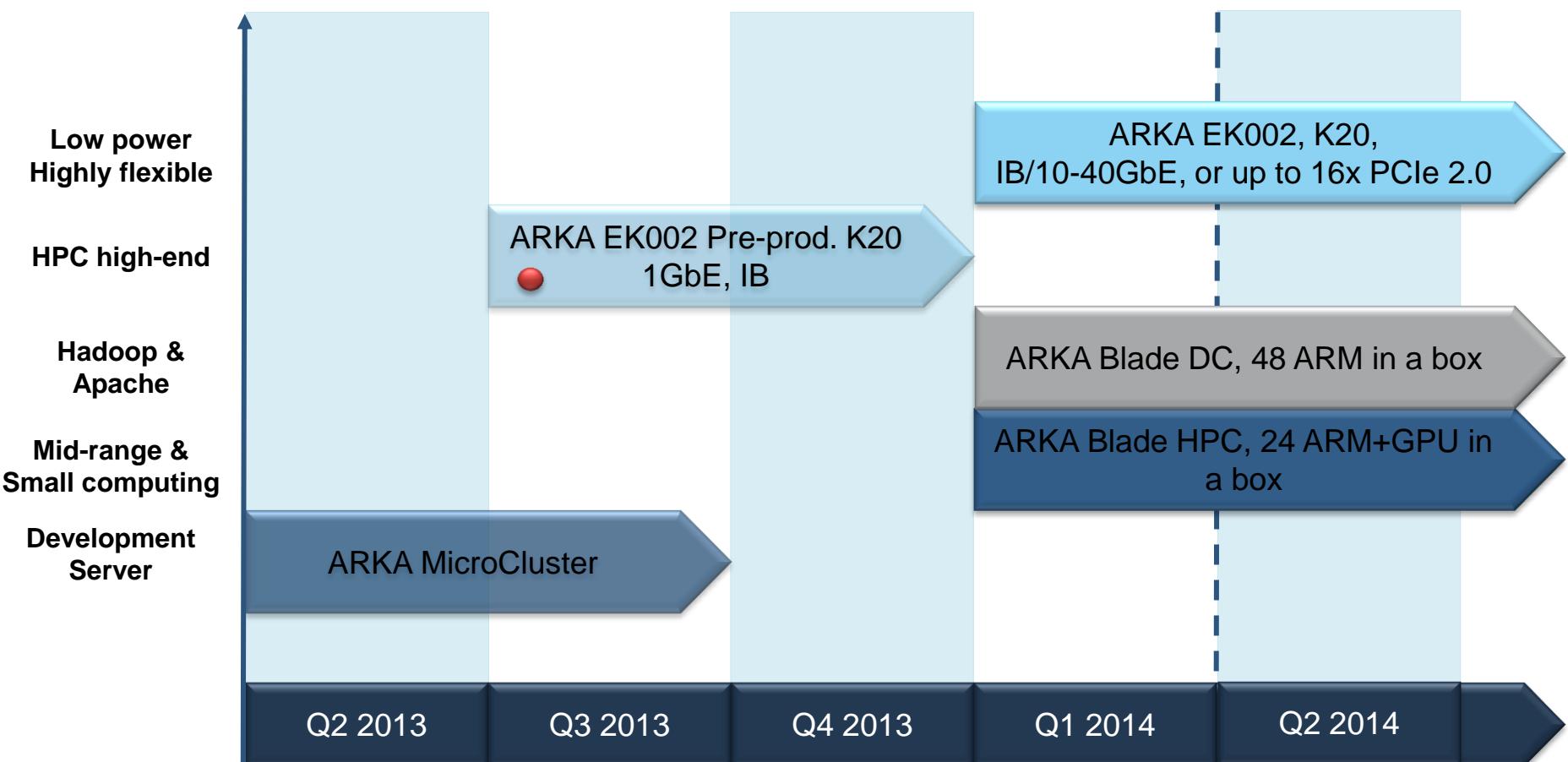
based on CARMA Devkit  
developed by **SECO**

## ARKA SHOC Test

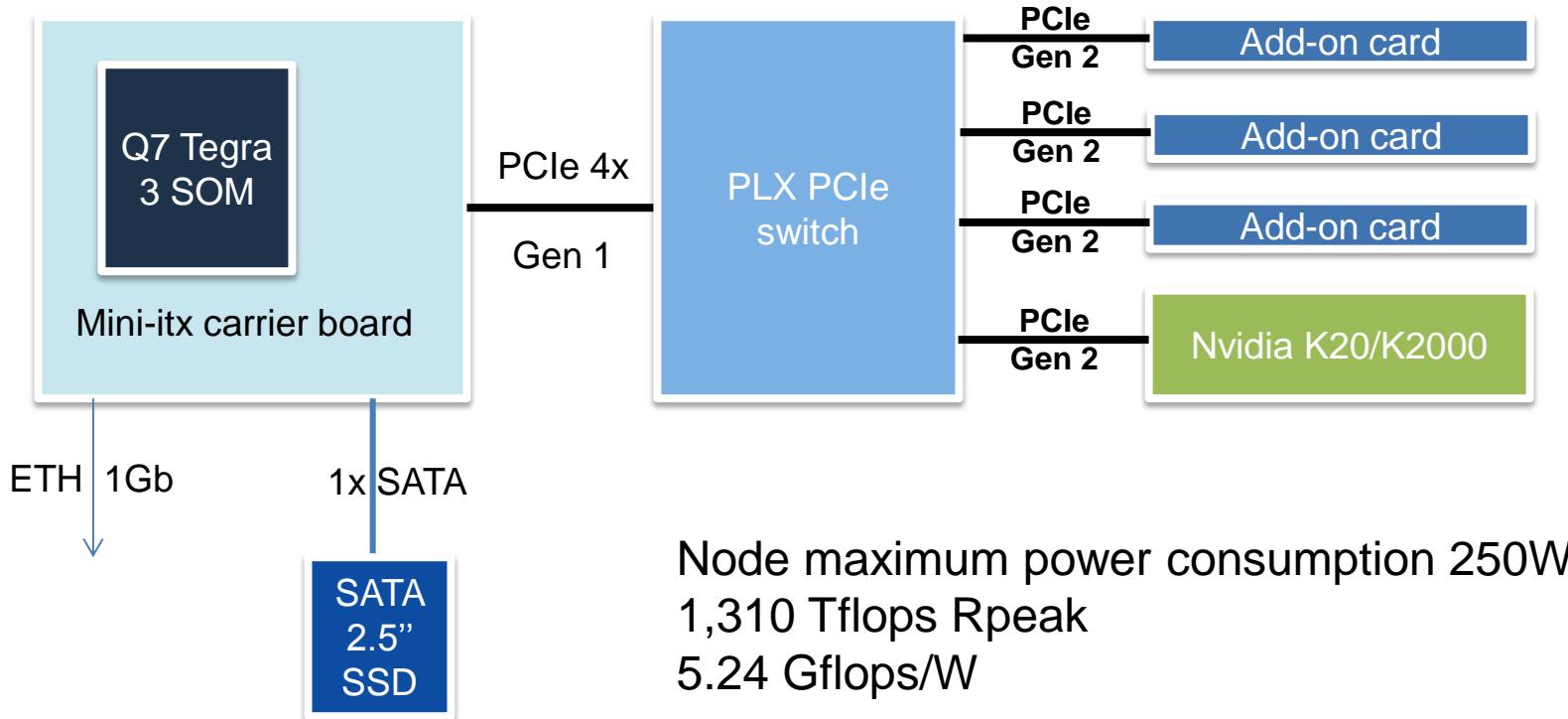
The Scalable Heterogeneous Computing Benchmark Suite (SHOC) is a collection of benchmark programs testing performance and stability (using CUDA and/or openCL)

<b>Test</b>	<b>ARKA</b>	<b>Intel+M2075</b>	<b>Units</b>	<b>ARKA/M2075</b>
Maxspflops	263.12	1001.31	GFlops	26%
fft_sp	23.343	162.524	GFlops	14%
sgemm_n	132.482	666.272	GFlops	20%
dgemm_n	21.5152	315.110	GFlops	7%
md_sp_bw	5.5301	25.3975	GB/s	22%
Reduction	23.1895	92.7343	GB/s	25%
Sort	0.3090	1.6296	GB/s	19%
triad_bw	0.4279	6.0163	GB/s	7%

## Technology roadmap

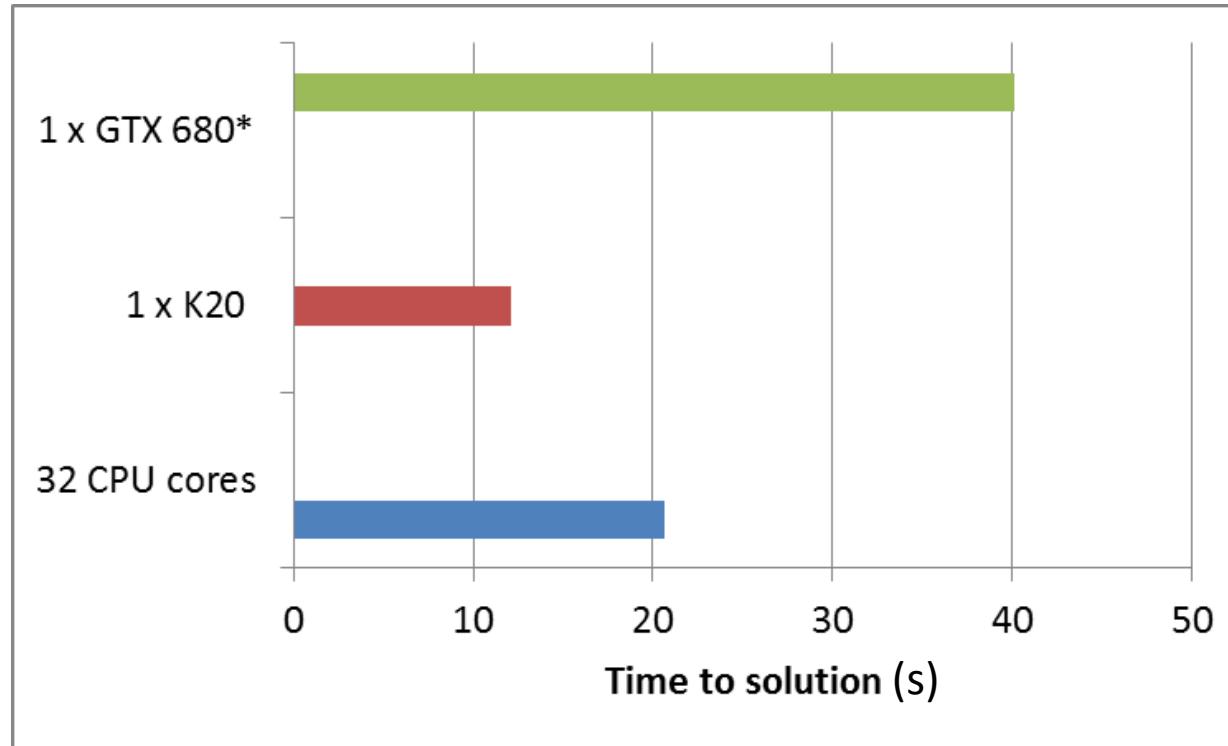


## ARKA EK002 diagram





### LAMMPS



\*run in a ARM+GPU environment

## BSC PEDRAFORCA: first EK002 installation

### **Computing node:**

74 or more pre-production EK002 server: ARM T30, K20, IB QDR

### **OS**

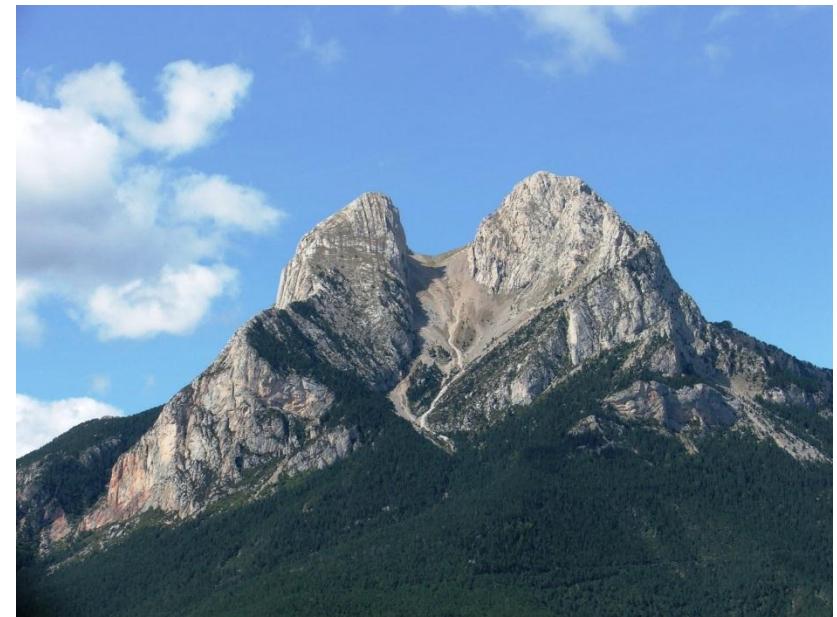
Ubuntu derivative for ARM

### **Development tool**

### **Cluster, monitoring, management tools**

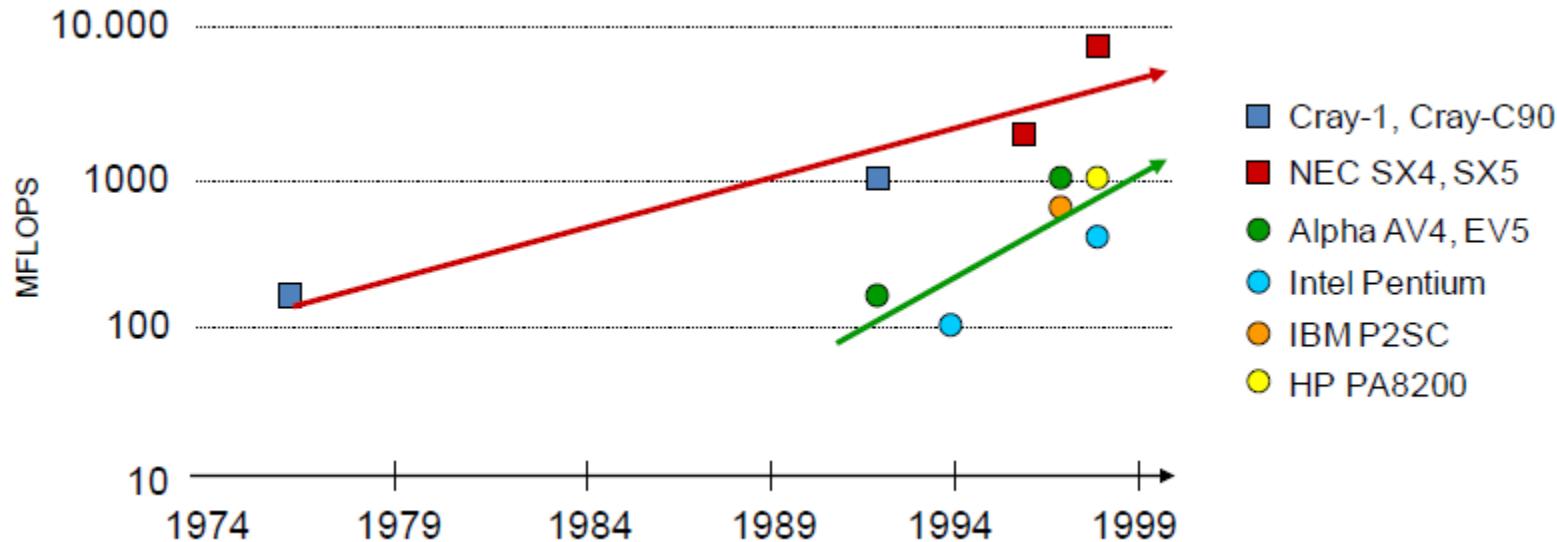
### **FP7- Project**

<http://www.montblanc-project.eu/>



Pedraforca 2,506.4 m, Catalonia, Spain

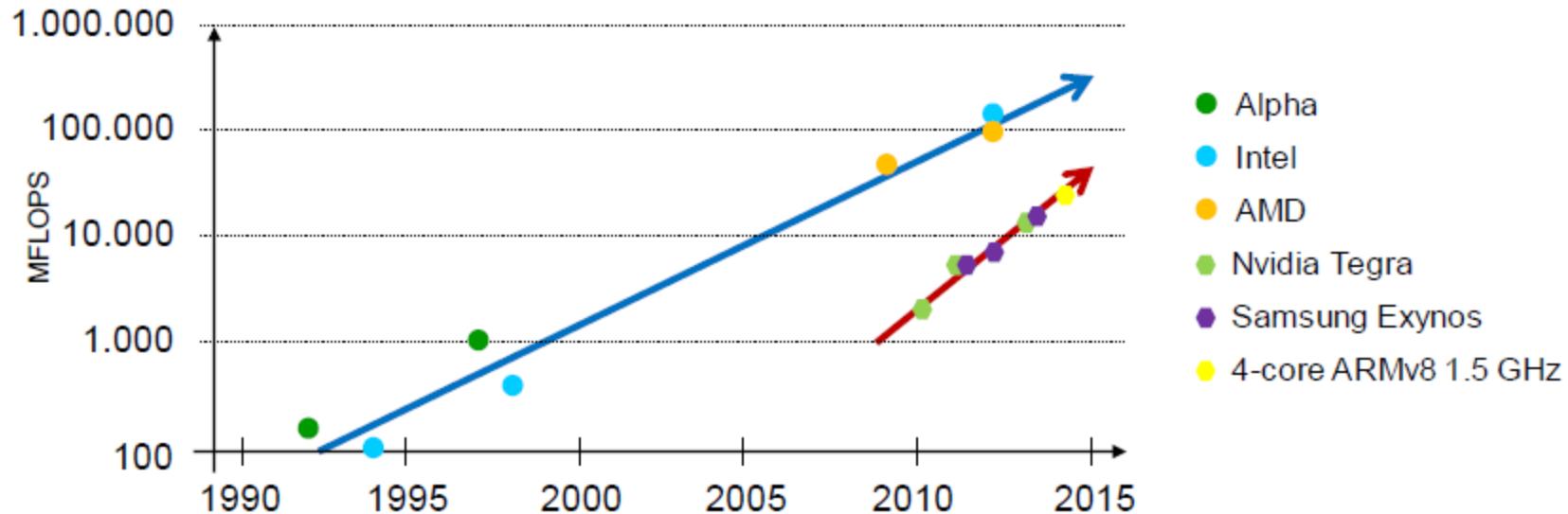
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- Mobile processor are not faster ...
- ... but they are significantly cheaper and greener

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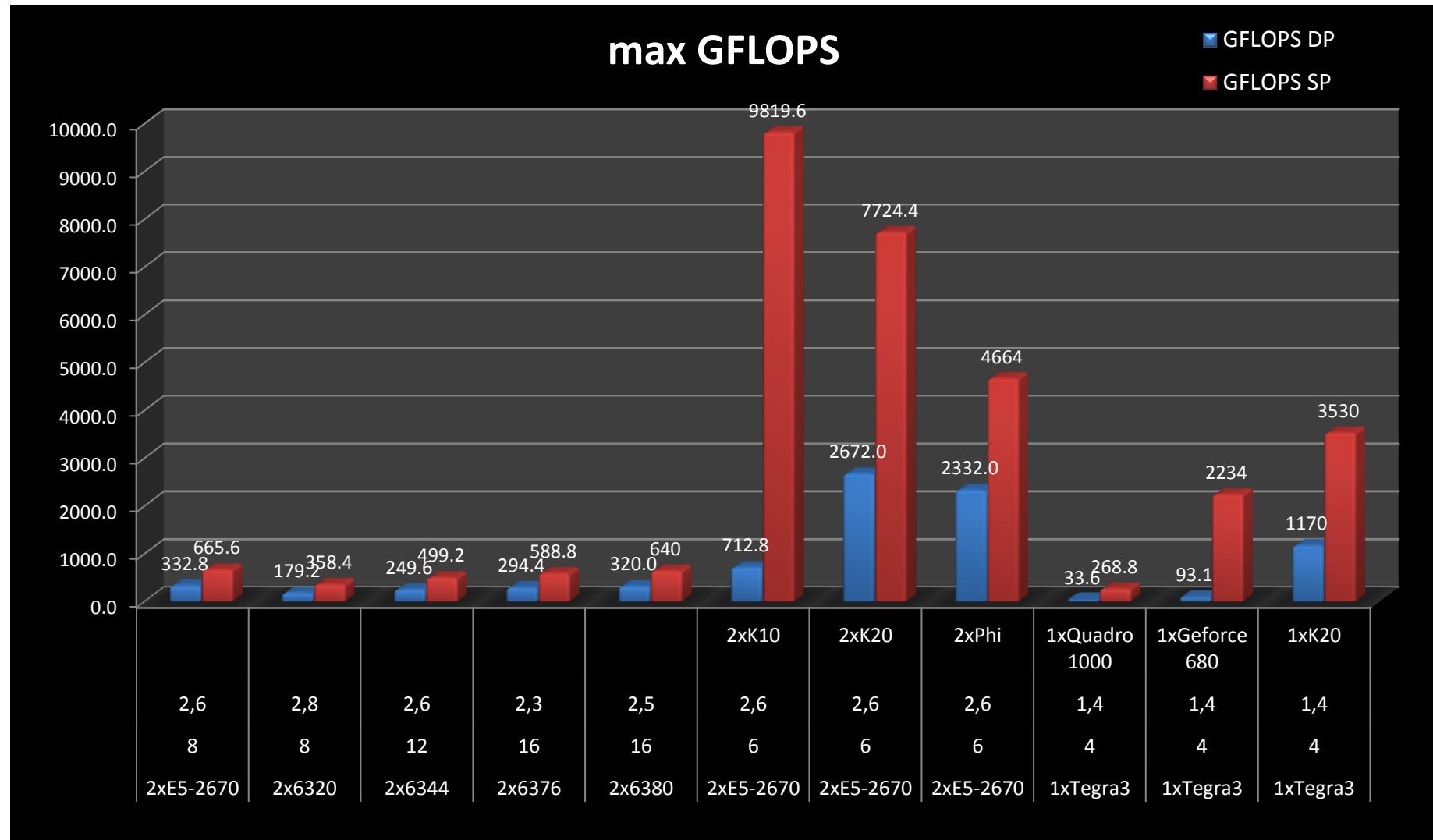


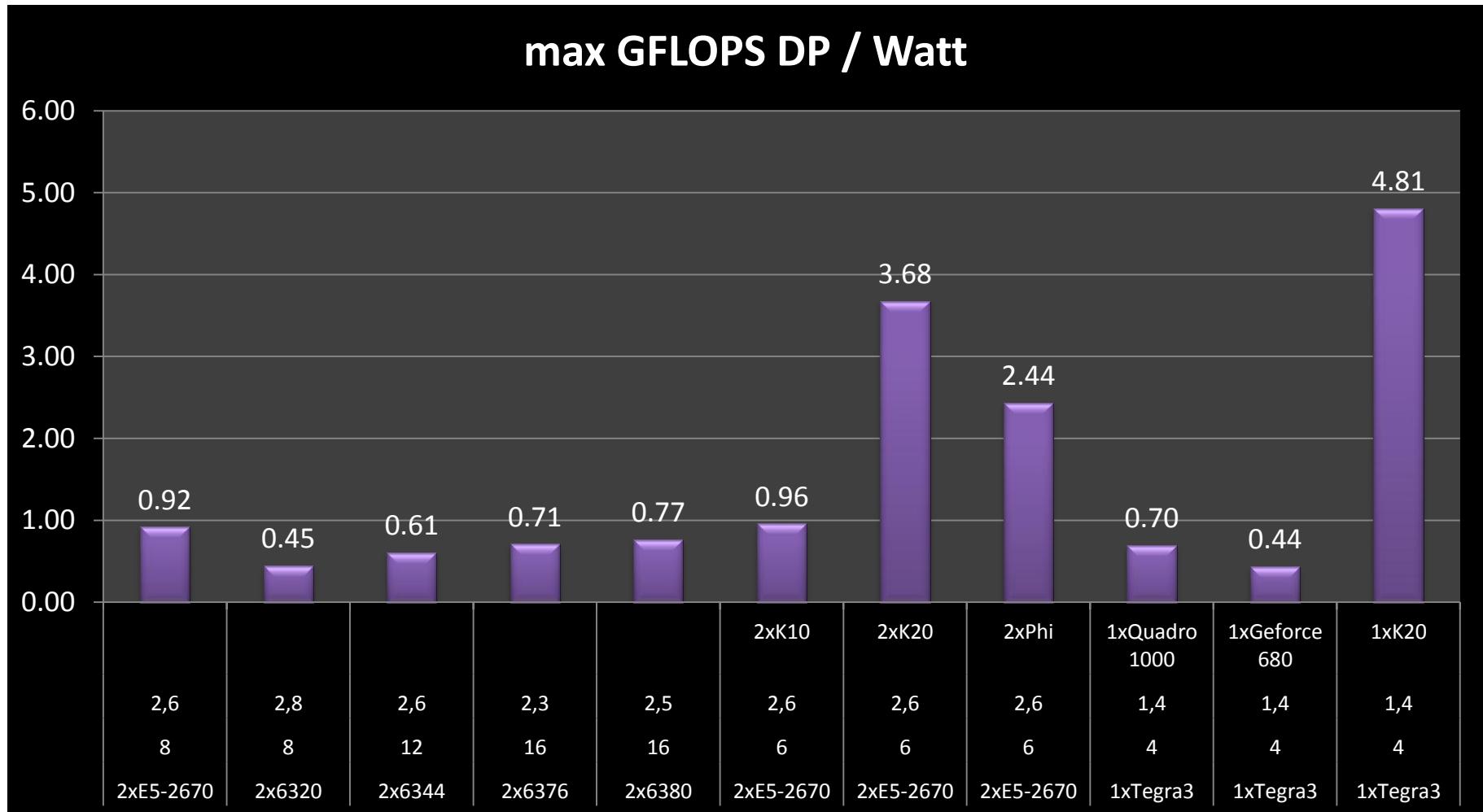
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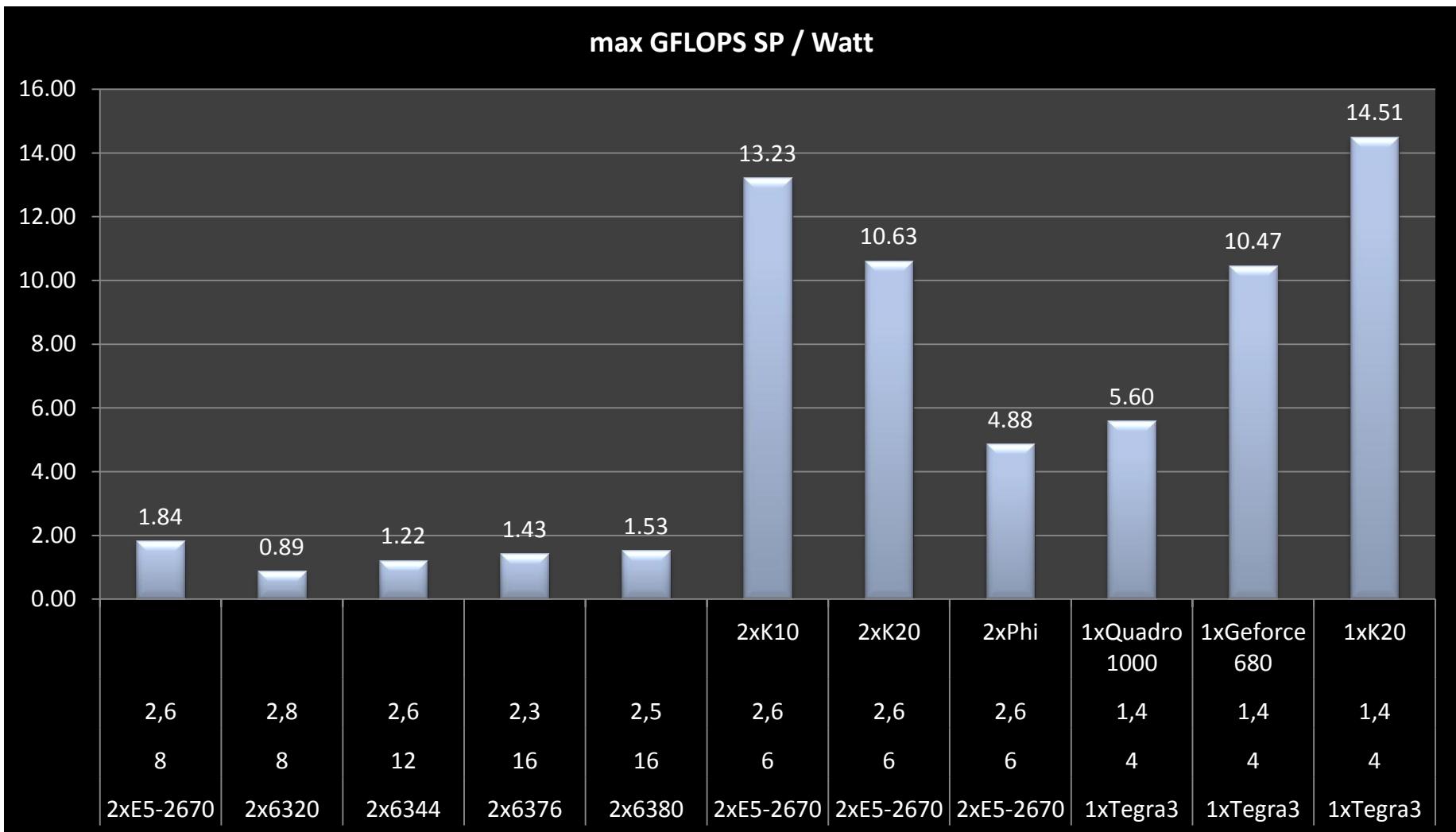
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# Benchmarks







### max GFLOPS DP / k euro

■ max GFLOPS DP / k euro  
■ including 3yrs power bill

