# CS305: Computer Architecture 

Trends in Computer Architecture
https://www.cse.iitb.ac.in/~biswa/courses/CS305/main.html


Data source: Wikipedia (wikipedia.org/wiki/Transistor_count) Year in which the microchip was first introduced
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Cache/core size doubling ©

## Dennard Scaling

## as transistors get smaller -> their power density stays constant

the power use stays in proportion with area

## ILP Wall



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## The Power Wall



Fig.1.3 Clock rate and power for Intel $x 86$ microprocessors

## Memory Wall



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## All in one



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## Dark Silicon

Before 2006, transistor scaling (Moore's Law) has mostly been followed by voltage scaling (Dennard scaling).

Around 2006, Dennard scaling failed such that it cannot follow Moore's Law.

The extra transistors brought by Moore's Law can no longer be powered on because it would violate the thermal design power (TDP) constraint $\left(\begin{array}{l}\text { d }\end{array}\right.$ These unpowered/unused transistors are "dark silicon".

## 2021:50 Years of Microprocessors

## GPUs (World of Teraflops) to GPGPUs

- SIMD (single instruction Multiple Data) model



## Heterogenous Systems



## Google's TPU (Tensor Processing Unit)

https://spectrum.ieee.org/the-accelerator-wall-a-new-problem-for-a-post-moores-law-world



Figure 3. TPU Printed Circuit Board. It can be inserted in the slot for an SATA disk in a server, but the card uses PCIe Gen $3 \times 16$.


Figure 4. Systolic data flow of the Matrix Multiply U has the illusion that each 256B input is read at once, a update one location of each of 256 accumulator RAM

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- The largest ML accelerator chip
- 400,000 cores


## Cerebras's Wafer Scale Engine

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## Tesla Self Driving Car



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## Google's Sycamore Quantum Computer



Finished a task in 200 seconds that would take a CPU 10,000 years ©

## Google's datacenter



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## Processing in Memory



## Intel Optane: Non-volatile memory



## What did we cover in CS305?



Key Takeaways: Moore's law -> ISA abstraction -> Common case fast -> parallelism, pipelining, prediction, locality

Thanks, Thanks, and Thanks
All the TAs for all the hard work. Appreciate it.

All the students: online semester, COVID-19
Hope you have learnt the 10K feet view if not the 10K/1K feet view.

