

# *Designing for the Future – GPU Solutions that Maximize Performance, Density and Energy Efficiency*



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# Supermicro Profile



**Global Footprint:**

**>80 Countries**

**Years Profitable:**

**21 Years (since day one, 1993)**

**Production:**

**Facilities in the US, Asia and EMEA**

**Customers:**

**Channel, SI/VAR, OEM direct**

**Corporate Focus:**

**Architecture Innovation, Energy Efficiency, Total Solution**



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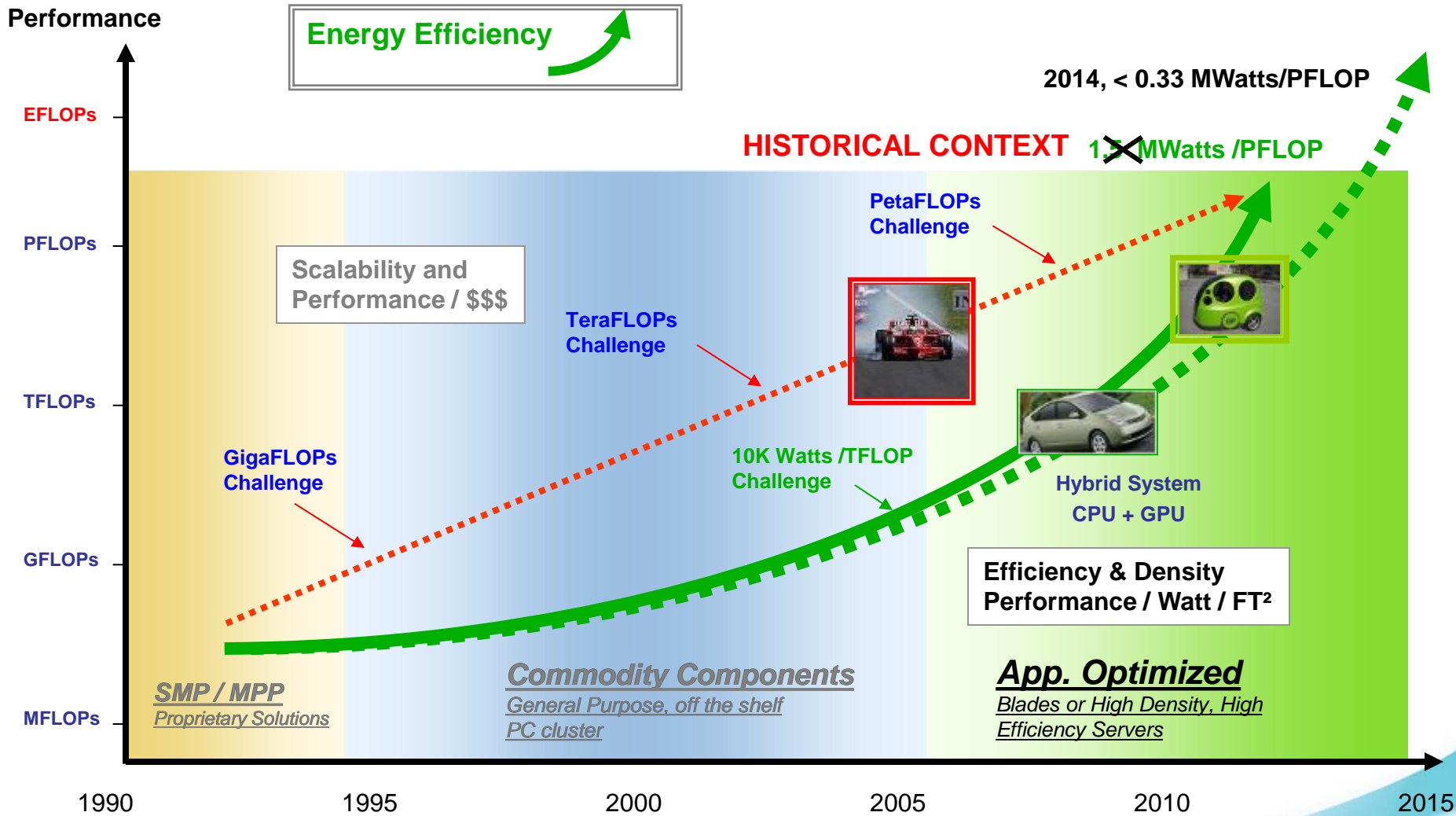


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# Performance & Efficiency – Industry Trends



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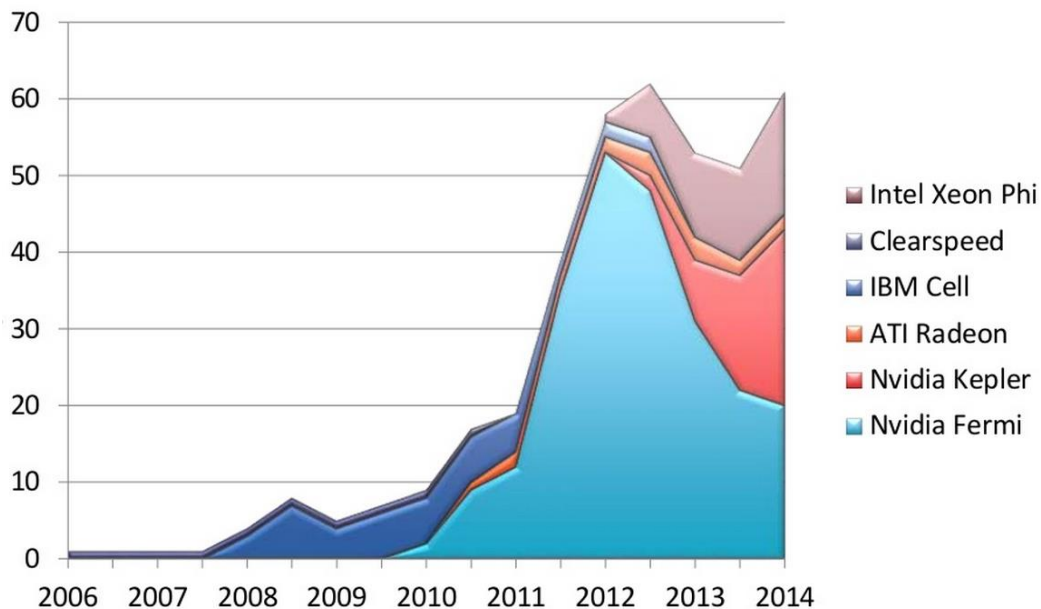
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# GPU Accelerated Computing on Top500 / Green500

# of systems on Top500



- ❖ **HPC Trend:** > 80% HPC sites have been use processor/co-processor/accelerator for either exploratory or production (IDC: grows from 28.8% 2011 to 76.9% 2013)
- ❖ **Performance and Efficiency** (performance per watt): 17 of the top Green500 list in June'14 are GPU/Co-processor accelerated HPC systems

- ❖ **Moving to the Top:** the greenest supercomputer (on Green500 list) is TSUBAME-KFC submerged GPU cluster: >4 MFLOPS/w
- ❖ **Wide Adoption:** GPU applications are beyond HPC: such as Finance, Gaming, Vitalization (E.g. VDI)...



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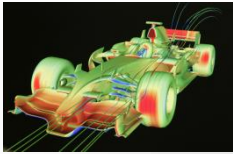
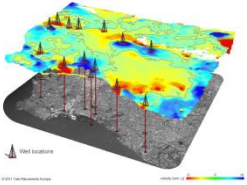
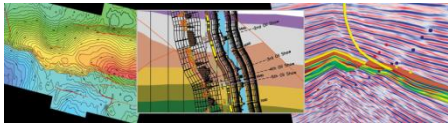
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# GPU Computing Beyond HPC

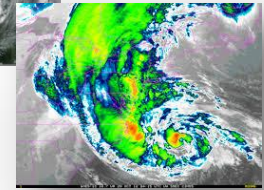
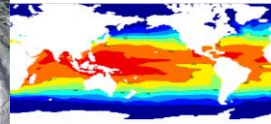
## Oil and Gas/Seismic

- Seismic imaging
- Seismic Interpretation
- Reservoir Modeling
- Seismic Inversion



## Weather and Climate

- Weather
- Atmospheric
- Ocean Modeling
- Space Sciences



## Scientific

- Computational fluid dynamics
- Materials science
- Molecular dynamics
- Quantum chemistry



## Simulation & Creation Design

- Mechanical design & simulation
- Structural mechanics
- Electronic Design Automation

Massively parallel architecture accelerates scientific & engineering applications

## Data Mining

- Data parallel mathematics
- Extend Excel with OLAP for planning & analysis
- Database and data analysis acceleration



## Entertainments

- Online gaming (Gaming Grid)
- Movie rendering / animation
- Video streaming / image processing



## Computational Finance & simulation

- Options pricing
- Risk analysis
- Algorithmic trading

## Imaging and Computer Vision

- Medical imaging
- Visualization & docking
- Filmmaking & animation



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# GPU GRID for Virtualization, Gaming & Enterprise

- Industry's most comprehensive, power efficient and densest GPU solutions
- The first NVIDIA GRID-certified GPU-systems on the market



**1U UP – Value**

2 1017GR-TF

2 5017GR-TF

**n** No. of GPUs per Node

**1U/2U DP, Scalable, High Density**

3 1027GR-72R2+  
1027GR-72RT2+  
1027GR-TR2+  
1027GR-TRT2+

6 2027GR-TRFH  
2027GR-TRFHT

2 1027GR-TRF+  
1027GR-TRFT+

4 2027GR-TRF  
2027GR-TRFT

3 1027GR-TRF  
1027GR-TSF  
1027GR-TRFT

4 1027GR-TQF  
1027GR-TQFT

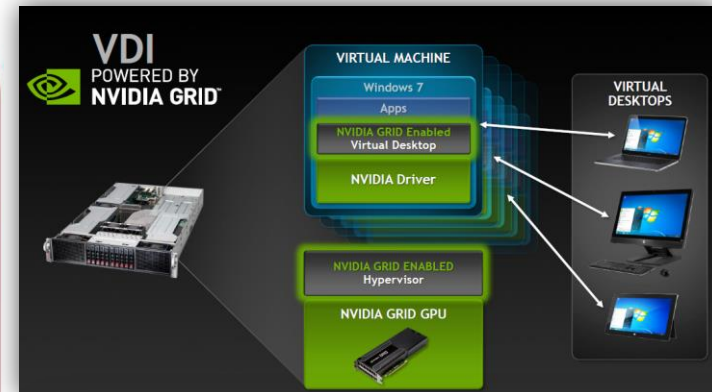
**3U & Above – Powerful**

4 7047GR-TPRF

3 GPU FatTwin

2 6037R-72RFT+

2 GPU Blade



**Enterprise VDI Reference Architecture for Knowledge Workers**

8-32+ User (Dedicated or Shared GPU) VDI server

2 GRID K1 boards (8 NVIDIA GPUs)  
Dual CPU socket 2U server  
Minimum 128GB System memory  
800W per 2U

152 -608+ Users per Rack  
19 Nodes  
8-32+ Users per Node  
15KW Rack

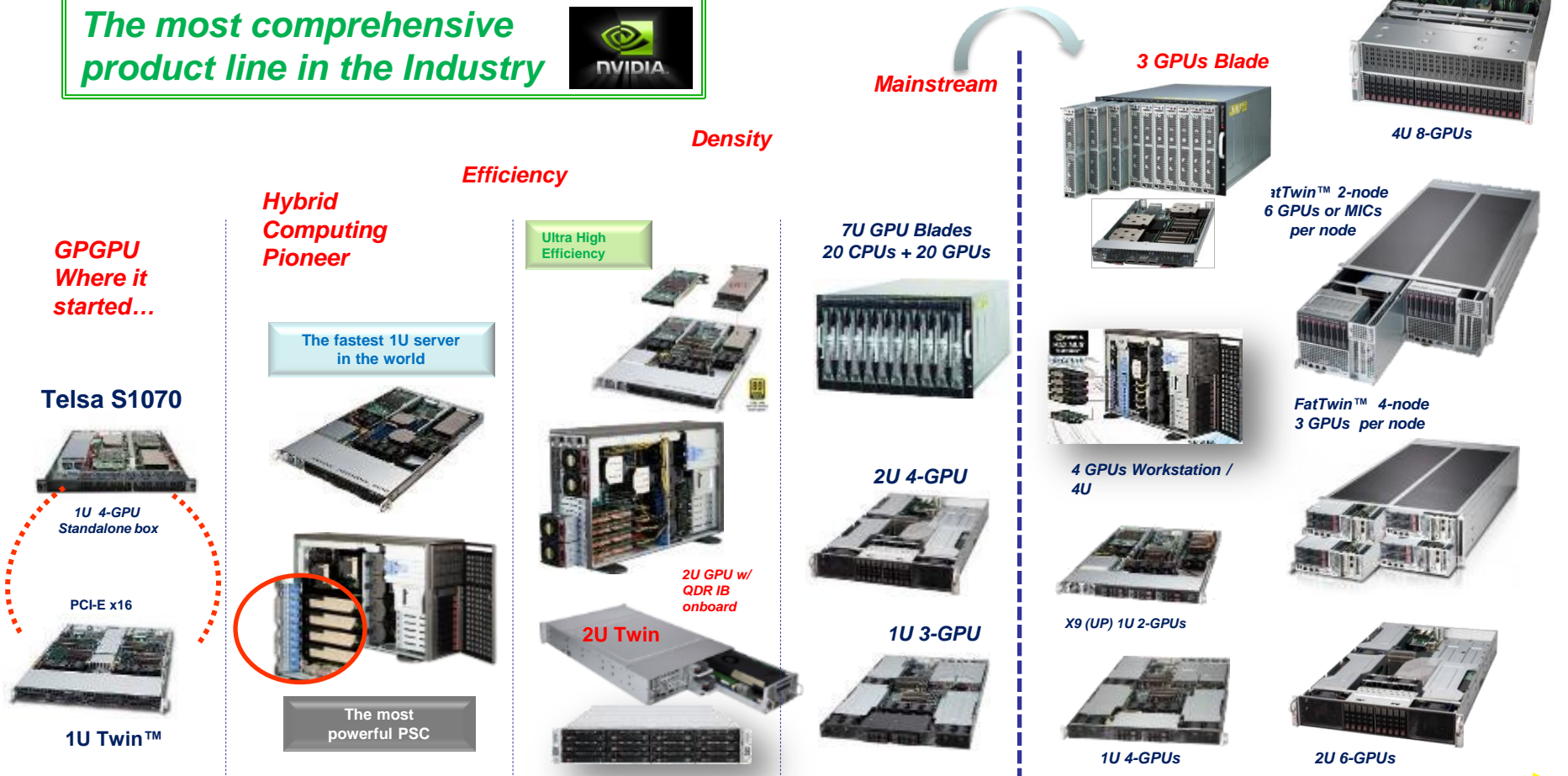
Connects to NAS





# Supermicro GPU Solution Evolution

*The most comprehensive product line in the Industry*




# GPU Optimized System Lineup

## ❖ SuperServer (Passive Cooling)

### 1U UP – Value



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5017GR-TF

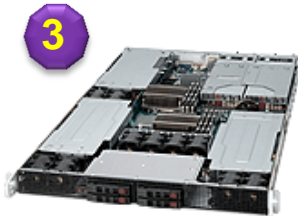
### 1U/2U DP – Scalable, High Density



1027GR-TQF  
1027GR-TQFT



2027GR-TRFH  
2027GR-TRFHT



1027GR-TRF  
1027GR-TSF  
1027GR-TRFT



2027GR-TRF  
2027GR-TRFT

### 3U & Above – Performance



7047GR-TPRF



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6037R-72RFT+



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## ❖ Workstation (Active Cooling)



5037A-iL



5037A-i



7037A-iL



7037A-i



7047A-T

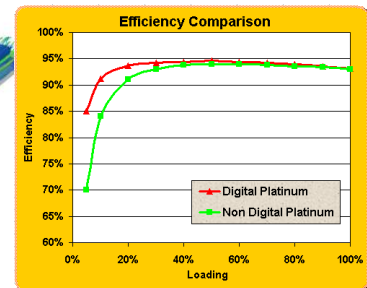
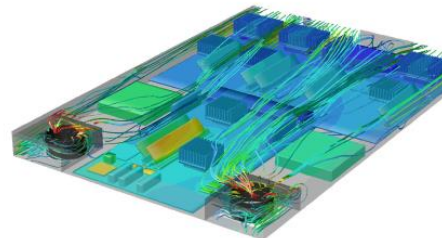
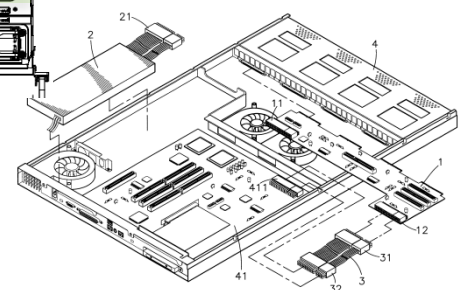
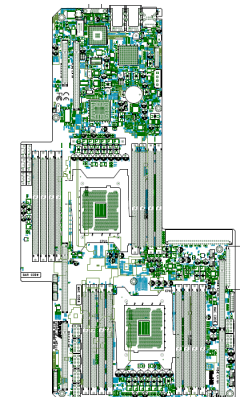
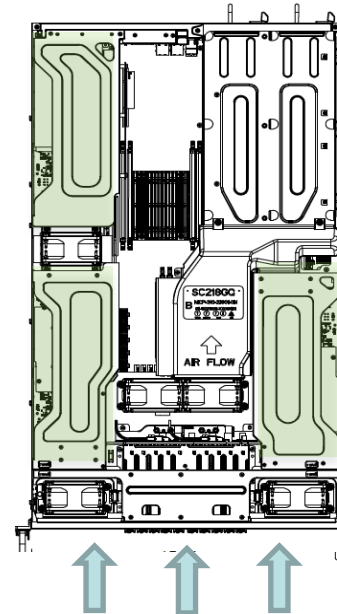


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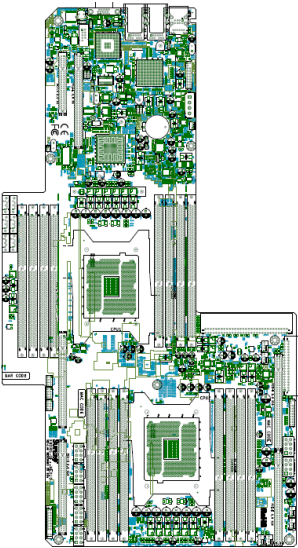
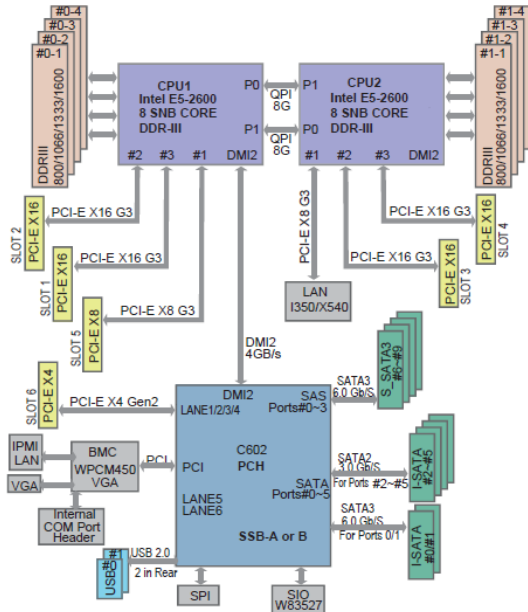


# Designing GPU Optimized Systems

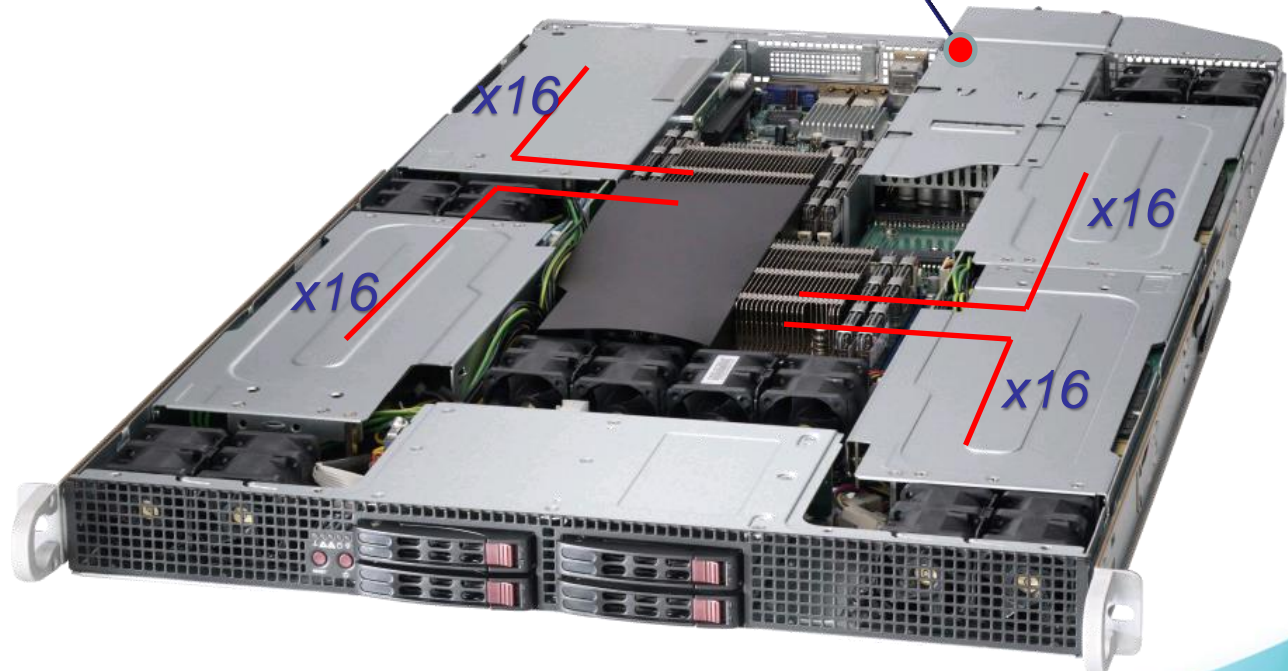
- **Performance**
  - ❖ PCI-e lanes arrangement, PCB placement, interconnection...
  - ❖ CPU, MEM, I/O, Networking, Storage...
- **Mechanical design**
  - ❖ mounting, location, space utilization
- **Thermal**
  - ❖ air flow, fan speed control, location, noise control
- **Power supply**
  - ❖ PSU efficiency, wattage options, power monitoring & management
  - ❖ Number of power connectors (& location)



# Design for Performance

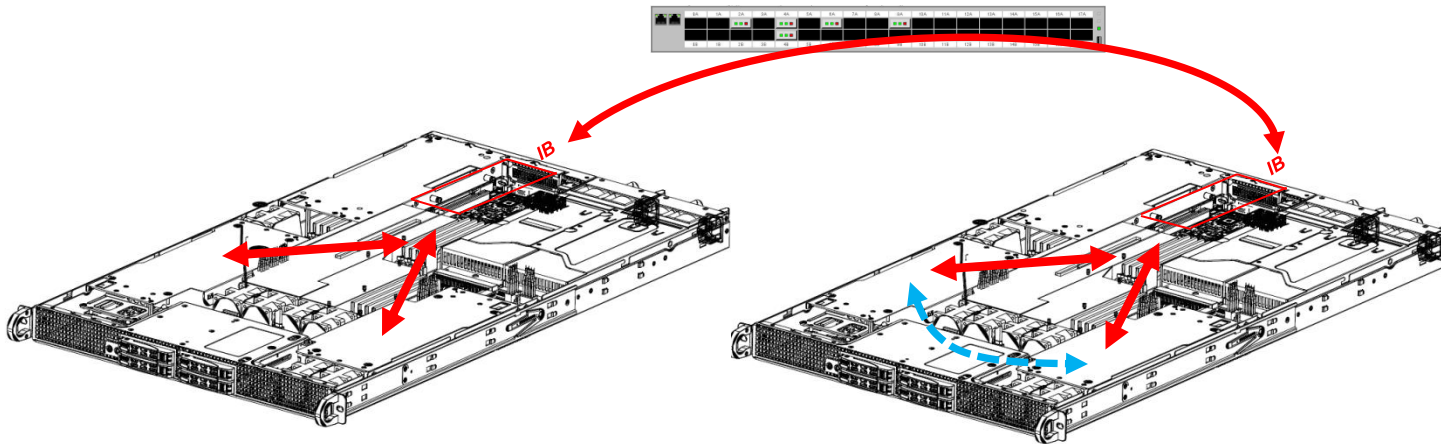


**Platinum level** high efficient **1800W** power supply

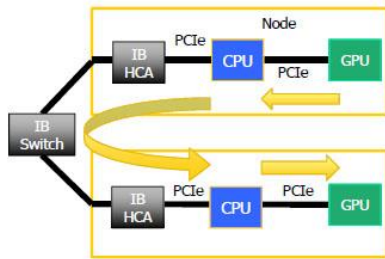


# Communication Between GPUs

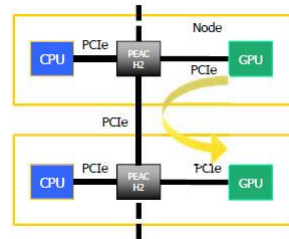
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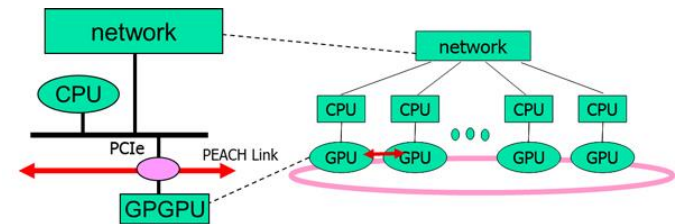
## Implementation Example



The model used by existing CPU-GPU Heterogeneous architectures for GPU-GPU communication. Data travels via CPU & Infiniband (IB) Host Channel Adapter (HCA) and Switch or other proprietary interconnect



Data transfer between cooperating GPUs in separate nodes in a TCA cluster enabled by the PEACH2 chip.



Schematic of the PEARL network within a CPU/GPU cluster

Source: Tsukuba University



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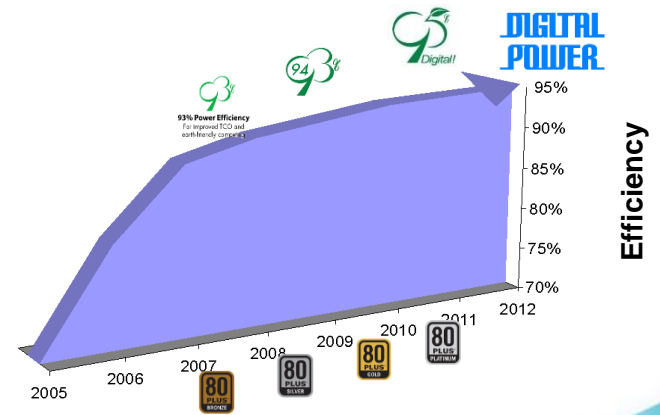
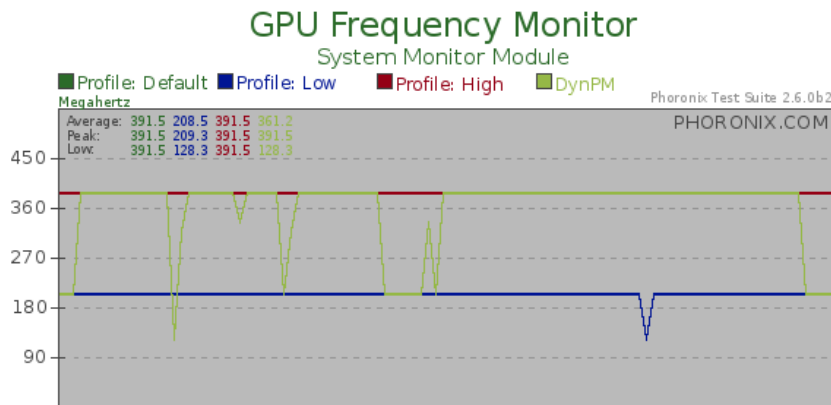


# Power Supply

- High efficiency power supplies
  - ❖ 95% platinum
  - ❖ Wattage choices & configurability
  - ❖ Redundancy & BBP support
- Power management software
  - ❖ Power capping
  - ❖ Core speed control for power management



1000W (BBP)  
Battery Backup Power



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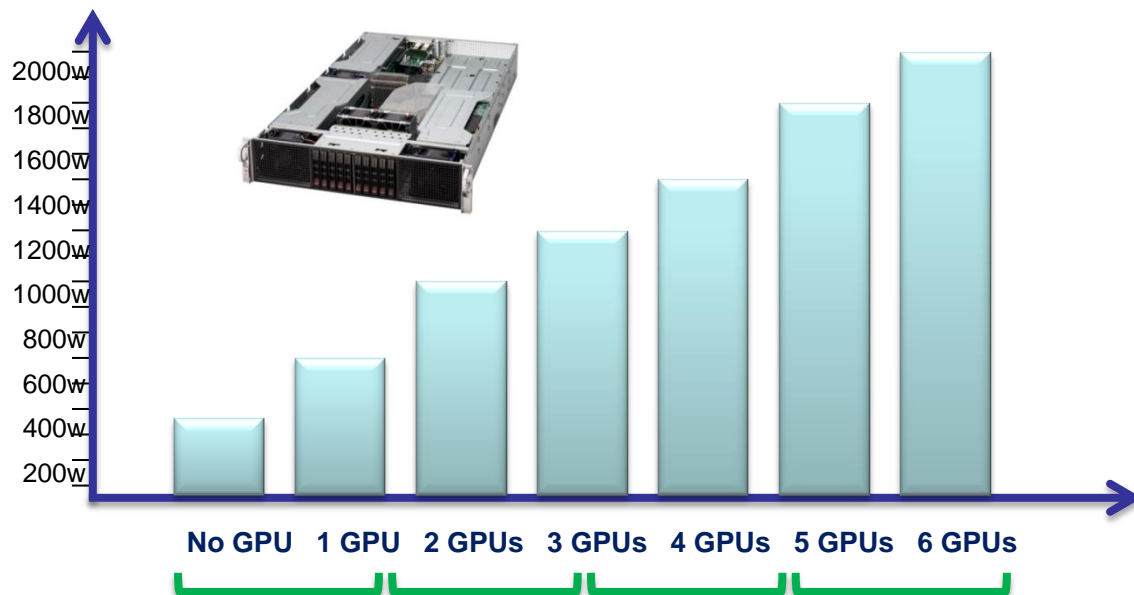
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# Platinum/Titanium (95%+) Digital Power Supply

## Max. Power Requirements

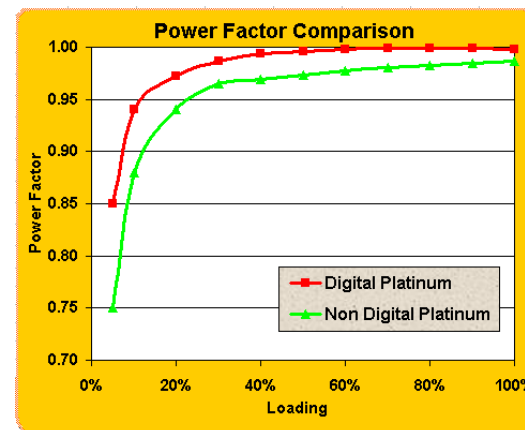
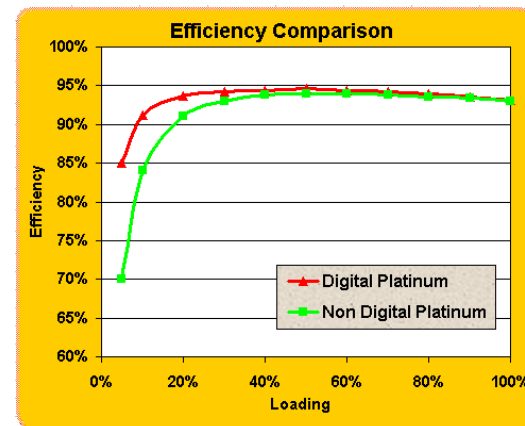


**PSU Loading**

20%      40%      60%      80%

**Digital Switching Power Supplier (95%+)**

\* maintain high efficiency even at low loading



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# Configurable Power Supplies



**SUPERMICRO®**

High-Efficiency (95%+) Digital Switching Power Modules

**340W – 1400W**  
Supermicro®  
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New Generation  
Server, Storage and Workstation Solutions

1U Supermicro® SuperServer®  
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Efficiency Comparison

Efficiency +5-10% @ Light Load

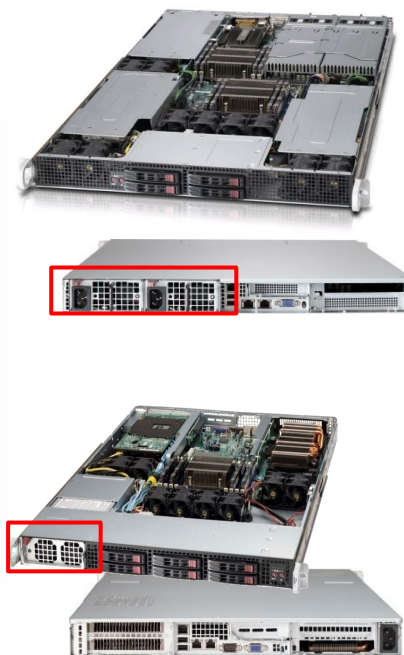
Power Factor Comparison

Power Factor +5-10% @ Light Load

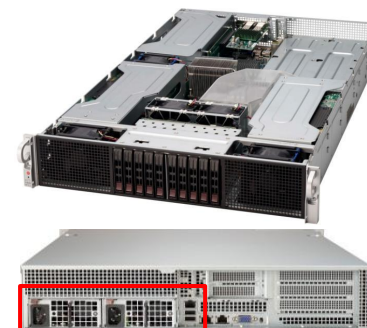
Input Current THD Comparison

<5% Input Current THD

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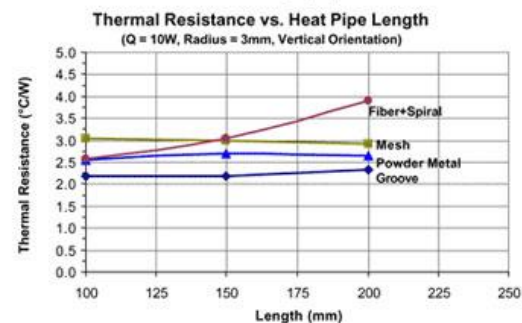
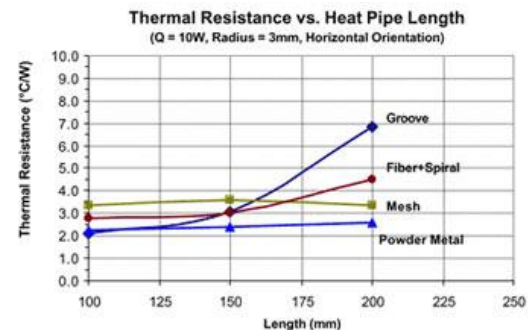
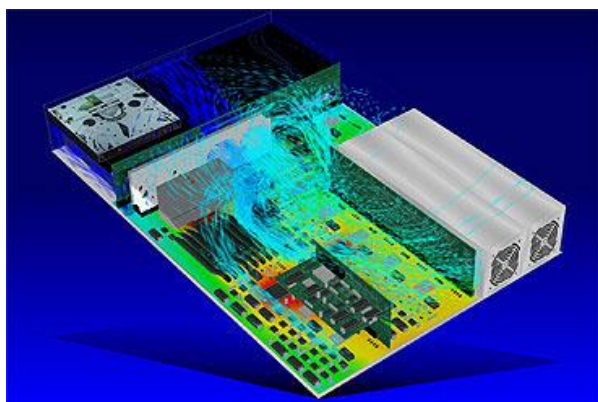
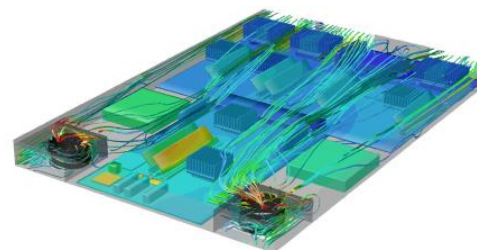
- ✓ **Standardize power supply module**
- ✓ **Design multiple capacity options (240W ~ 2000W)**
- ✓ **Provide application-optimized & energy-efficient configurations**
- ✓ **Feature power management / control**





# Thermal & Cooling Design

- ❖ Heatsink performance
- ❖ Passive & active
- ❖ High-performance Fan
- ❖ Fan speed control
- ❖ Multiple zones sensors
- ❖ Air shroud design
- ❖ Liquid cool



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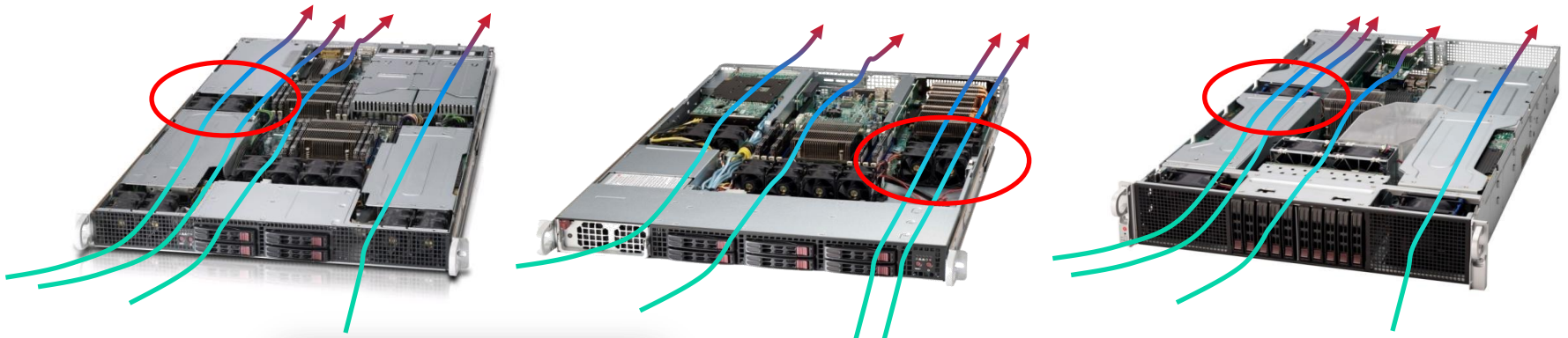


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# Optimized Airflow and Configurable Cooling



**Workstation / 4U Server**  
*(Accommodates both Active and Passive)*

- ✓ *Consider total system-cooling design*
- ✓ *Remove unnecessary cooling component*
- ✓ *Enforce the hot zone airflow*
- ✓ *Provide application-optimized & energy-efficient configurations*



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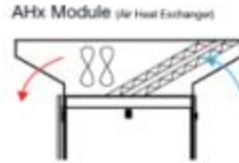
# Water Cooling Example

Rack DCLC AHx™ - components used in the self-contained rack (CoolIT®)

Multiple Rack CHx

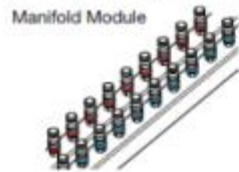
## AHx Module

- Dual redundant fans
- Centralize pumping architecture
- CoolIT Command Center monitors/alerts on health of liquid system



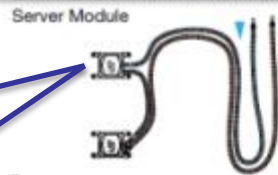
## Manifold Module

- Steel body attaches similar to PDU
- All-metal dry-break quick connects



## Server Module

- Passive cold plate technology
- All-metal dry-break quick connects



FatTwin™ GPU node

Cooling the both the CPUs and GPUs



- Example configuration: FatTwin GPU, 4U 4-node – 3 GPUs per node
- Can be used in any form factors – 1U, 2U, 4U... GPU systems
- Cold plates for CPUs and GPUs
- Very low system fan speed for cooling other components



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# Case Study – Submerged Liquid Cooling

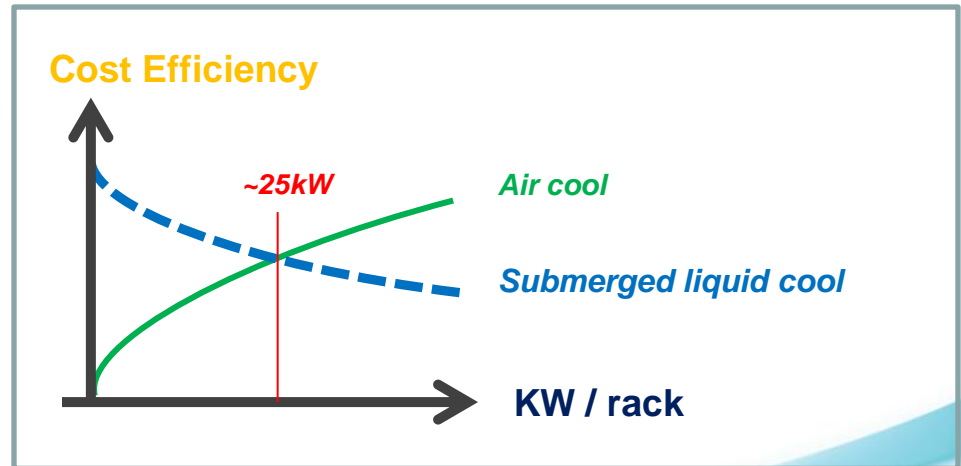
- ✓ *Removed Fans and Heat Sinks*
- ✓ *Use SSD & Updated BIOS*
- ✓ *Reverse the handlers*



*“Submerged Supermicro Servers Accelerated by GPUs”*



- ❑ Supermicro 1U with
- ❑ No requirement for room-level cooling
- ❑ Operates at PUE ~ 1.12
- ❑ 25 kilowatts per rack – the breakpoint per rack (between regular air-cool and submerged cool)



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# Green500 #1

**Green Top-17 all employ Heterogeneous GPU Architectures**



**Tokyo Institute of Technology**

<http://www.supermicro.com/products/info/Green500.cfm>



**Top500 #311 (~4.5GFLOPS per Watt)**



1027GR-TQF / 1027GR-TQET

- GPU Server. Mission-critical app., enterprise server, oil & gas, financial, 3D rendering, chemistry, HPC
- Dual Intel® Xeon® processor E5-2600 or E5-2600 v2 family; Socket R (LGA 2011)
- 4x Hot-swap 2.5" SATA2/3 HDD Bays
- 8x DIMMs, up to 512GB, up to 1866MHz DDR3 memory
- 4x PCIe 3.0 x16 and 1x PCIe 3.0 x8 (in x16) slots
- I/O ports: 2 GbE/10GBase-T (TQFT™ SKU), 1 Video, 1 COM/Serial, 2 USB 2.0
- System management: Built-in Server management tool (IPMI 2.0, KVM/media over LAN) with dedicated LAN port
- 8x heavy duty fans w/ optimal fan speed control
- 1800W Platinum Level Power Supply
- M2090/M2075 support: SYS-1027GR-TQF / TQET



**Complete Solution: NEC / SMC1 1U Server x 40**



NEC/SMCI 1U Server x 40 Nodes Each node:

- 2x Intel® Ivy-Bridge 2.1GHz 6-Core
- 4x NVIDIA Tesla K20X GPU
- 64GB DDR3 memory
- 120GB SSD
- 4x FDR InfiniBand 56Gbps
- Total Peak: 210TFlops (DP); 630TFlops (SP)

TSUBAME-KFC: Ultra-Green Supercomputer Testbed [2011-2015]

- Fluid Submersion Cooling + Outdoor Air Cooling + High Density GPU Supercomputing in a 20-foot container (16m<sup>2</sup>)
- Cooling Tower: Water 25-35°C >> Outdoor air



- World's top power efficiency (>3GFlops/Watt)
- Average PUE 1.05, lower component power
- Field test ULP-HPC results, TSUBAME3.0 Prototype

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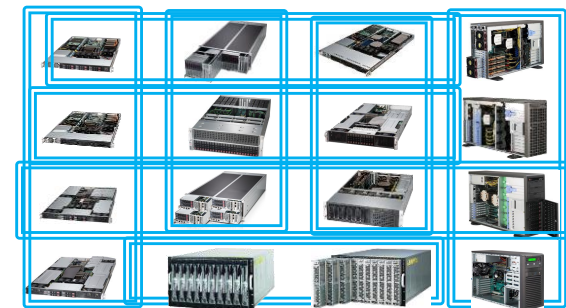
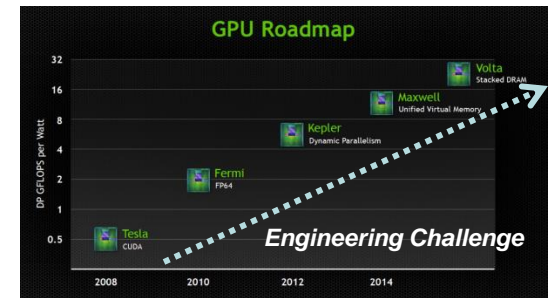
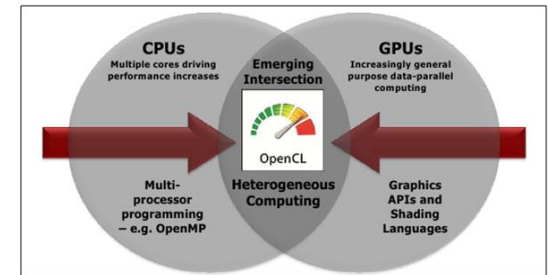
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# Summary

- A new era of hybrid computing – heterogeneous architecture with GPU / coprocessor acceleration
- There are more to come in the industry roadmap with new technologies, power management features and system architectures
- The trend towards heterogeneous architecture poses many challenges for system builders and software developers in making efficient use of the computing resources
- Configurable cooling & power for energy efficiency and performance are the key to optimized the GPU systems
- Specialized (or application-optimized) design is required for GPU Applications efficiency and scalability
- Supermicro offers the most comprehensive line of solutions supporting the full spectrum of GPU computing applications



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HPC, Enterprise Virtualization, Visual Computing and Cloud Gaming at NVIDIA GTC 2014

### 4U SuperServer<sup>®</sup>

8x GPU



NVIDIA<sup>®</sup> Iray VCA Platform  
SYS-4027GR-TR/-TRT

### 4U/Tower



5x GPU

NVIDIA Maximus<sup>™</sup> Certified  
SYS-7047GR-TRF

### 4U Hyper-Speed



1x GPU

Low-Latency Optimized  
SYS-7047AX-TRF

30x GPU

### 7U SuperBlade<sup>®</sup>



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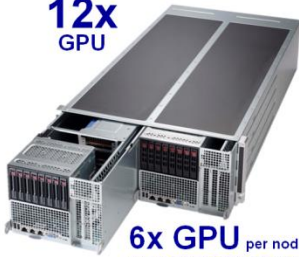
3x GPU



SBI-7127RG3

### 4U 2-Node FatTwin<sup>™</sup>

12x GPU



6x GPU per node  
SYS-F647G2-FT+FTPT+/-F73+/F73PT+



### SuperServer<sup>®</sup>

2x GPU



3U SYS-6037R-72RFT+

6x GPU



2U SYS-2027GR-TRFH

3x GPU



1U SYS-1027GR-TRF

3x GPU



1U SYS-1027GR-72R2

2x GPU



1U SYS-1017GR-TF



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2x GPU



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