

Megascale Project A Low-Power and Compact Cluster for High-Performance Computing

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Background: Mega-Scale Project (1/2)

- Many applications need Peta-Flops.
 - Computational Genetics/Biology
 - Simulation of Environment/Crimate/Disaster
 - Computational Chemistry/Phisics/...
- Can we achieve Peta-Flops by extending traditional MPP/clusters? → NO!!
 - Huge space requirement (Gym @ 10⁴ PE)
 - Huge power requirement (10MW @ 10⁴ PE)
- → We need a new approach!!
 - = Peta-Flops with Commodity Technology



Background: Mega-Scale Project (2/2)

- Our Mega-Scale project aims to establish fundamental technologies for 10⁶ scale parallel systems focusing on;
 - Feasibility to build them with realistic cost and space → low-power for smaller footprint/volumn
 - Dependability to operate them with high reliability and fault-tolerance
 - Programmability to obtain maximum performance with minimum effort
 - based on commodity technologies.
- about €3M for 5 years, supported by JST (Japan Science and Technology Agency)



MegaProto: Prototype

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- Objective : Proof of our claims
 - commodity technology
- > HPC dedicated
- low-power/high-density
- > high-end/low-dens.
- Platform for our software development still under development, but...
 - power-aware compilation
 - high-performance/dependable NW: RI 2N (Redundant Interconnection with Inexpensive Network)
 - network trunking for performance
 - network redundancy for reliability
 - fault-tolerant cluster management
 - Skewed Checkpointing for Multiple Failures (SRDS'04)



Conceptual Design (1/2)

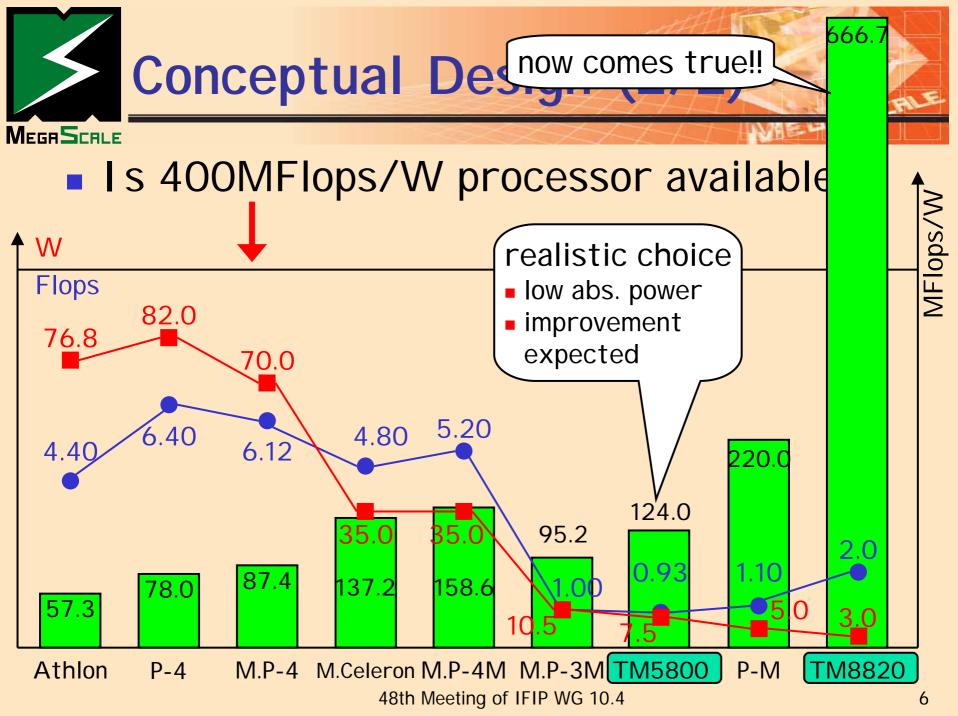
performance/power perspective

- Target power & perf./ (19" x 42U: 1rack)
 - peak perf. = 1TFlops
 - power = 10kW (300W/1U cooled by air)
 - → perf/power = 100MFlops/W
- Breakdown of power budget
 - processors

= 1/4

⇒ 400MFlops/W

- proc peripheral (mem. etc) = 1/4
- network = 1/2



em Configuration (1/4)

version 1

Megr

TM5800 (Crusoe)

0.93GFlops

L1C =64KBL2C =512KB

256MB SDR/

65mm



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- TM5800 (Crusoe)
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- **256MB SDR**

version 2

- TM8820 (Efficeon)
- 2.0GFlops
- L1C =192KB L2C =1MB
- 512MB DDR/

65mm



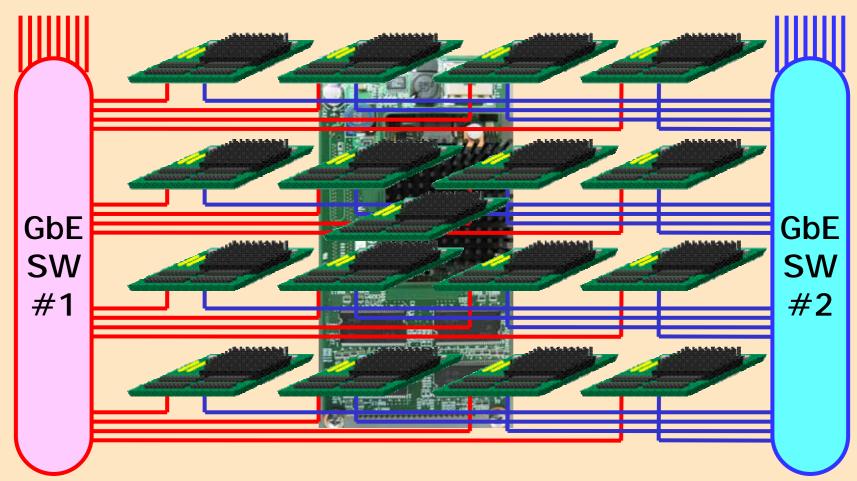
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2-stage rocket!!



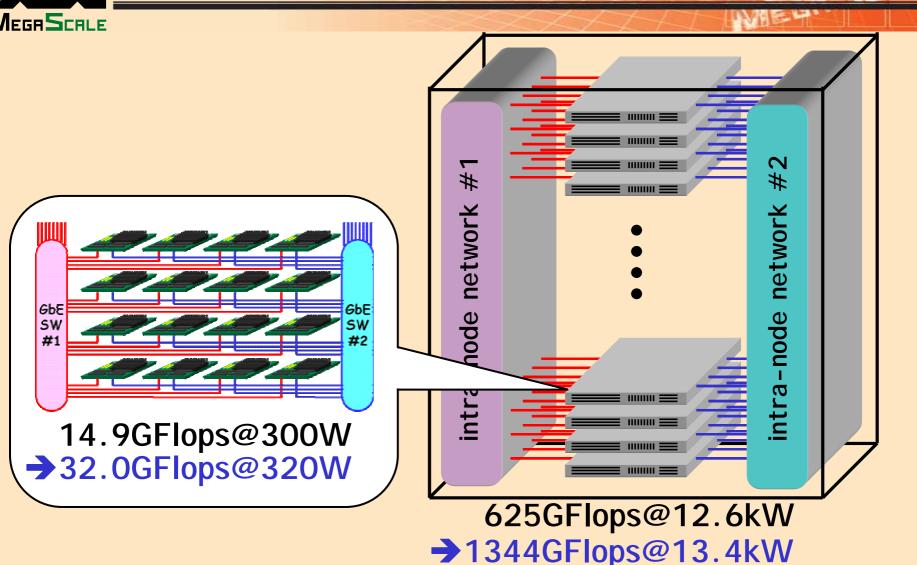


System Configuration (2/4)

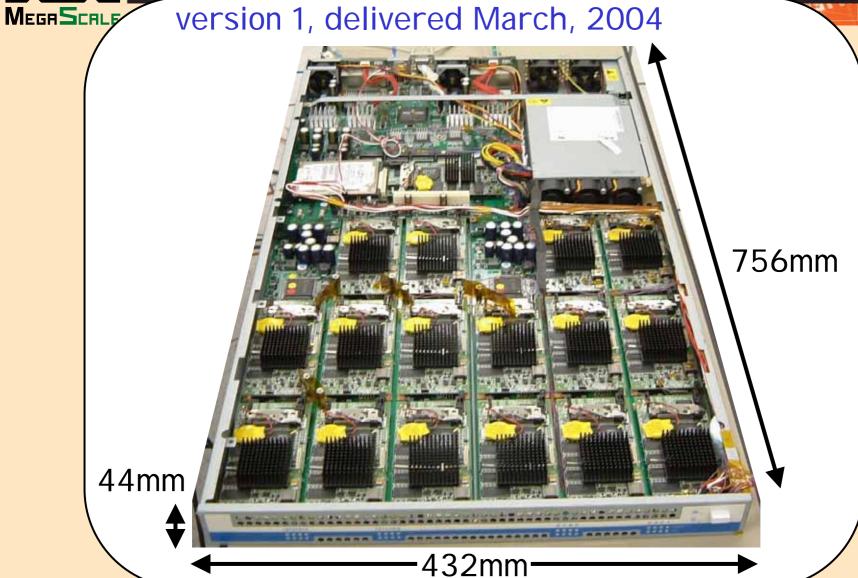




System Configuration (3/4)

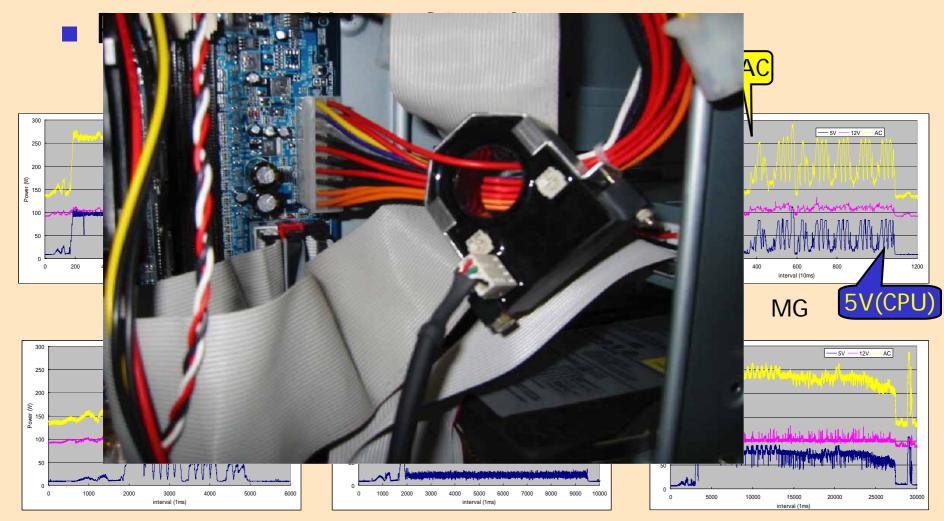


System Configuration (4/4)

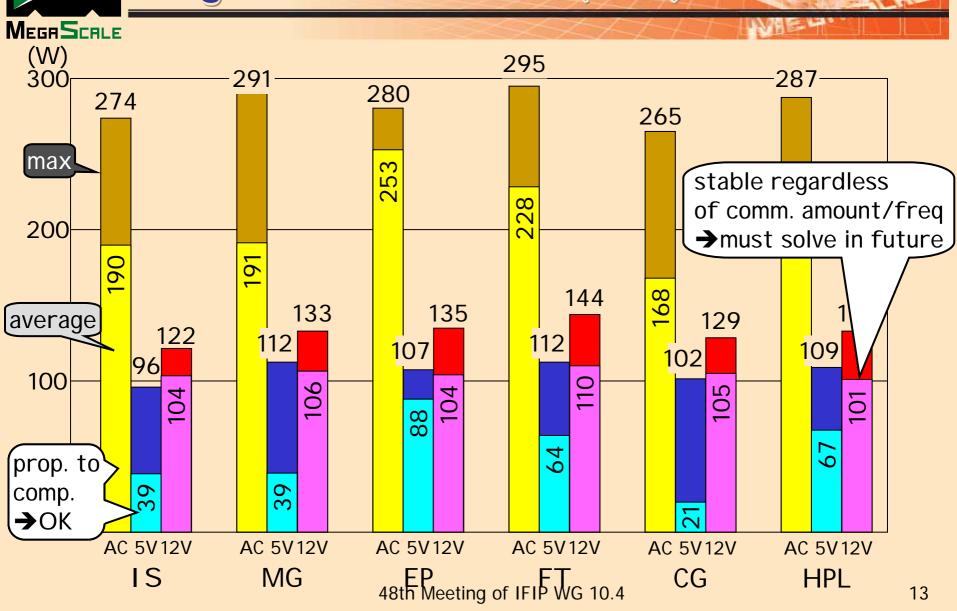




Performance Evaluation of MegaProto/Crusoe (1/3)



Performance Evaluation of MegaProto/Crusoe (2/3)

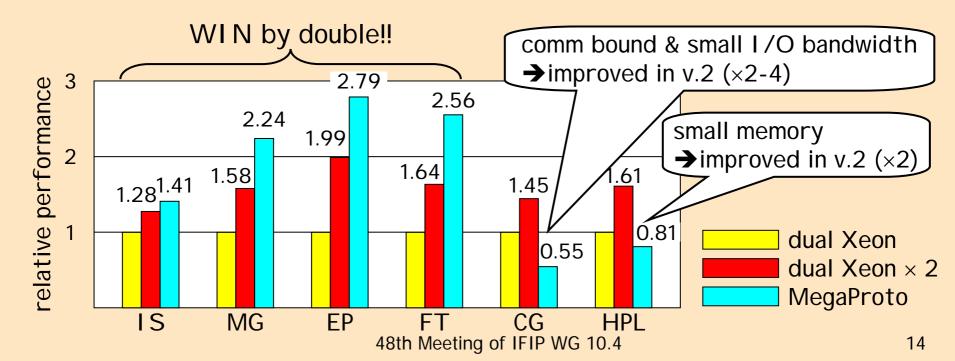




Performance Evaluation of MegaProto/Crusoe (3/3)

v.s. 1U server (dual Xeon 3.06GHz, 1GB)

| | dual Xeon | MegaProto |
|---------------|--------------|--------------|
| power / 1U | 400W | 300W |
| processor TDP | 170W | 120W |
| peak perf. | 12.24 GFLOPS | 14.88 GFLOPS |





- Megascale Project : A Low-Power and Compact Cluster for High-Performance Computing
 - megascale high-performance low-power computing based on commodity technology
- MegaProto/Crusoe (version 1)
 - (TM5800@933MHz + 2 x 1GbE) x 16= 14.9GFlops@300W (50MFlops/W)
 - 1.4-2.8 x dual-Xeon (I S,MG,EP,FT)
 - March, 2004 : 2 Unit (32 PE)
 - good performance/power
- MegaProto/Efficeon (version2)
 - TM8820@1.0GHz + 2 x 1GbE) x 16
 - June, 2005 : 20 Unit (320 PE)



MegaProto/Efficeon (version 2)

delivered yesterday!

