

# THE CHANGING FACE OF SUPERCOMPUTING

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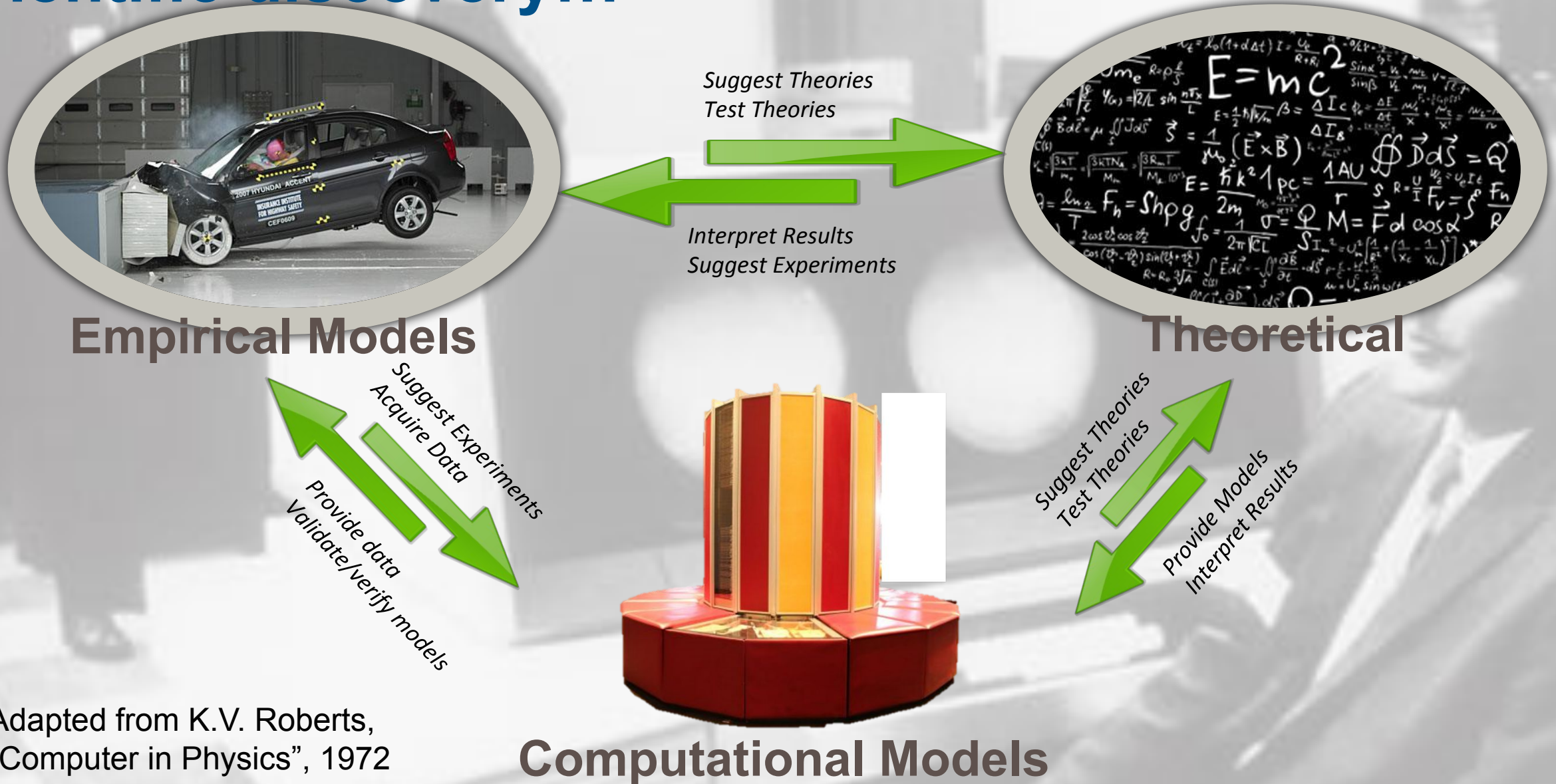


# CRAY

*We build computational  
tools that help change  
the world...*



# Looking Back – Computation as the third leg of scientific discovery...





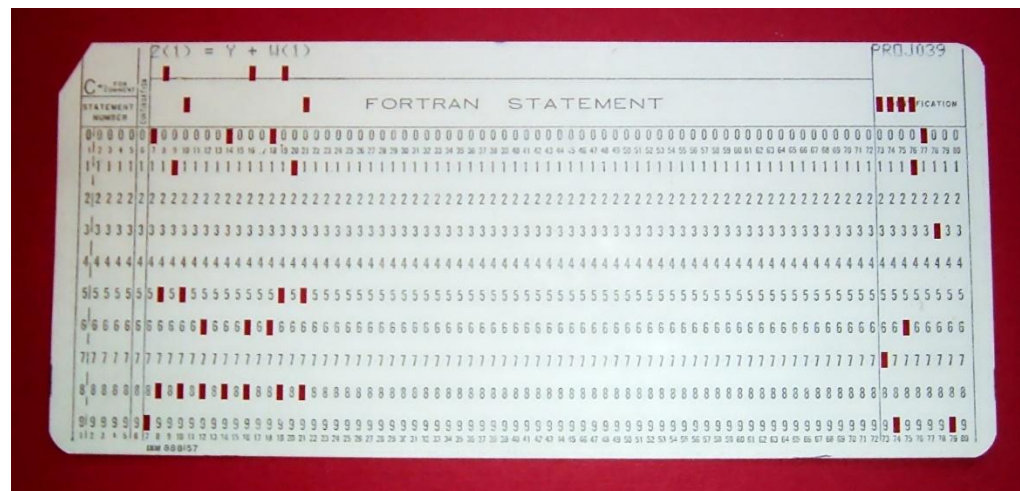


# It Got More Complex in the 1990's

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*"Scalable Power That Works"*



+

SHMEM

~~PVM~~

 MPI

# Today: More Workflows



# Example: US National Science Foundation Program

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24 IN THE PAST  
HOURS

JOB'S STARTED  
3363

JOB'S QUEUED  
3425

JOB'S COMPLETED  
2899

TOTAL COMPUTING POWER DELIVERED

Since Blue Waters went into production on March 28, 2013, it has provided 21.5 billion core - hours to scientists and engineers across the country .

21,560,909,140



# Yes, Scalability Still Matters...



## LARGEST JOBS CURRENTLY RUNNING

Jobs are Aggregated by Project

SCIENCE GROUP	NODE TYPE	CORES	CORE HOURS
High Resolution Earth System Modeling for International Climate Assessment (Jobs:2) PI: Ryan Sriver, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	XE	112256	2,288,369.74
Simulating Faintest Galaxies in the JWST Era (Jobs:3) PI: Nickolay Gnedin, University of Chicago	XE	68096	1,544,239.56
Collaborative Research: Simulating Two-Fluid MHD Turbulence in Star Forming Molecular Clouds on the Blue Waters System (Jobs:1) PI: Dinshaw Balsara, University of Notre Dame	XE	32768	791,647.57

*Snapshot taken March 9, 2019*



# But We're Seeing More Diversity In Requirements...

“To date, the NSF Blue Waters Project has provided over 20 billion core-hour equivalents to science, engineering and research projects... In this year's report, we are using a 'badge' to show the projects that are:

**Large Scale** Greater than 1,000 nodes (65)

**Data-Intensive** (39)

**GPU-Accelerated** (34)

**Memory-Intensive** (18)

**Only on Blue Waters** (27)

**Multi-Physics/Multi-Scale** (47)

**Machine Learning** (9)

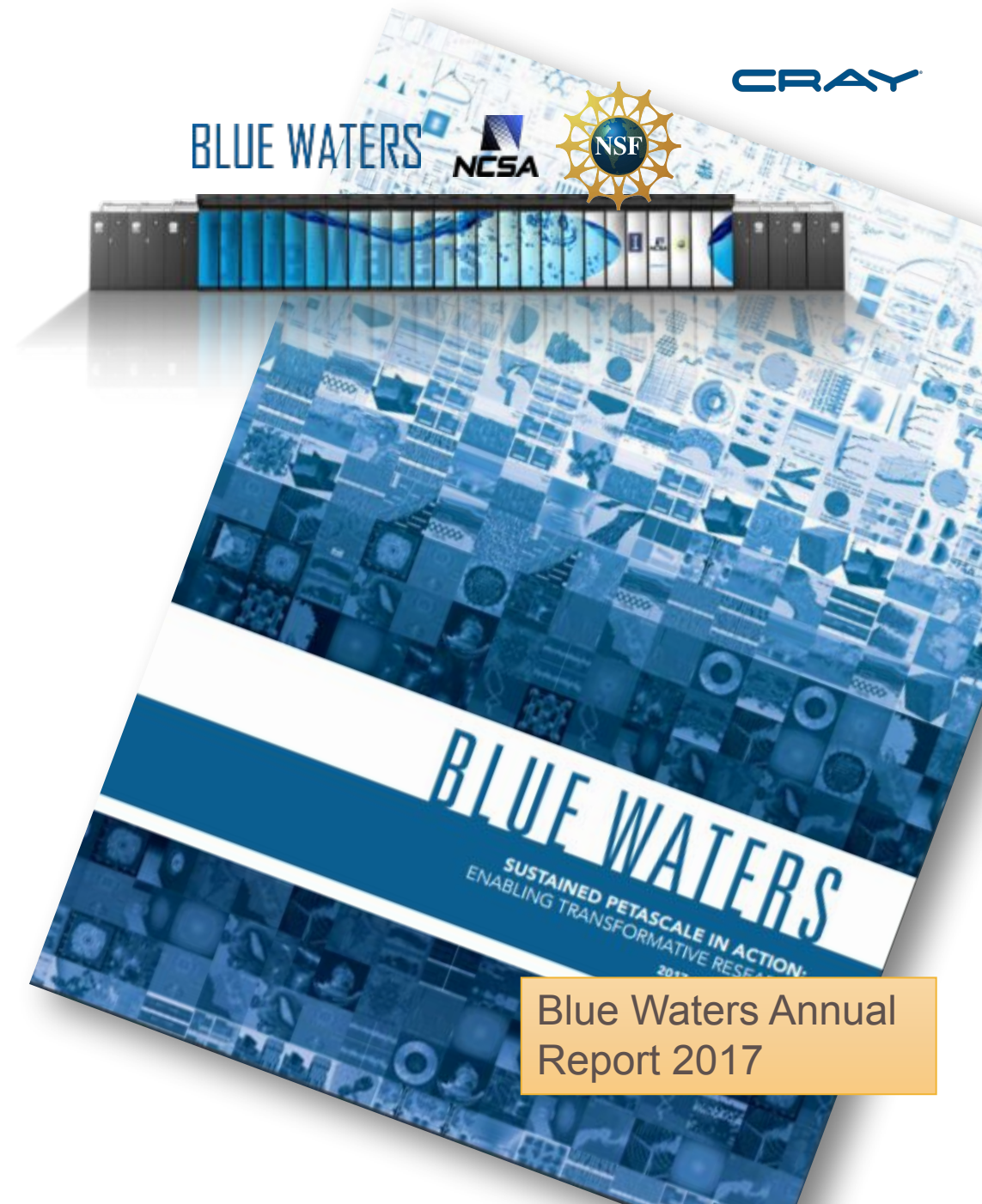
**Communication-Intensive** (32)

**Industry** (5)

This shows the breadth and depth of the uses world-class science is making on Blue Waters.”

Dr. William T.C. Kramer

Blue Waters Project Director and Principal Investigator



Blue Waters Annual  
Report 2017





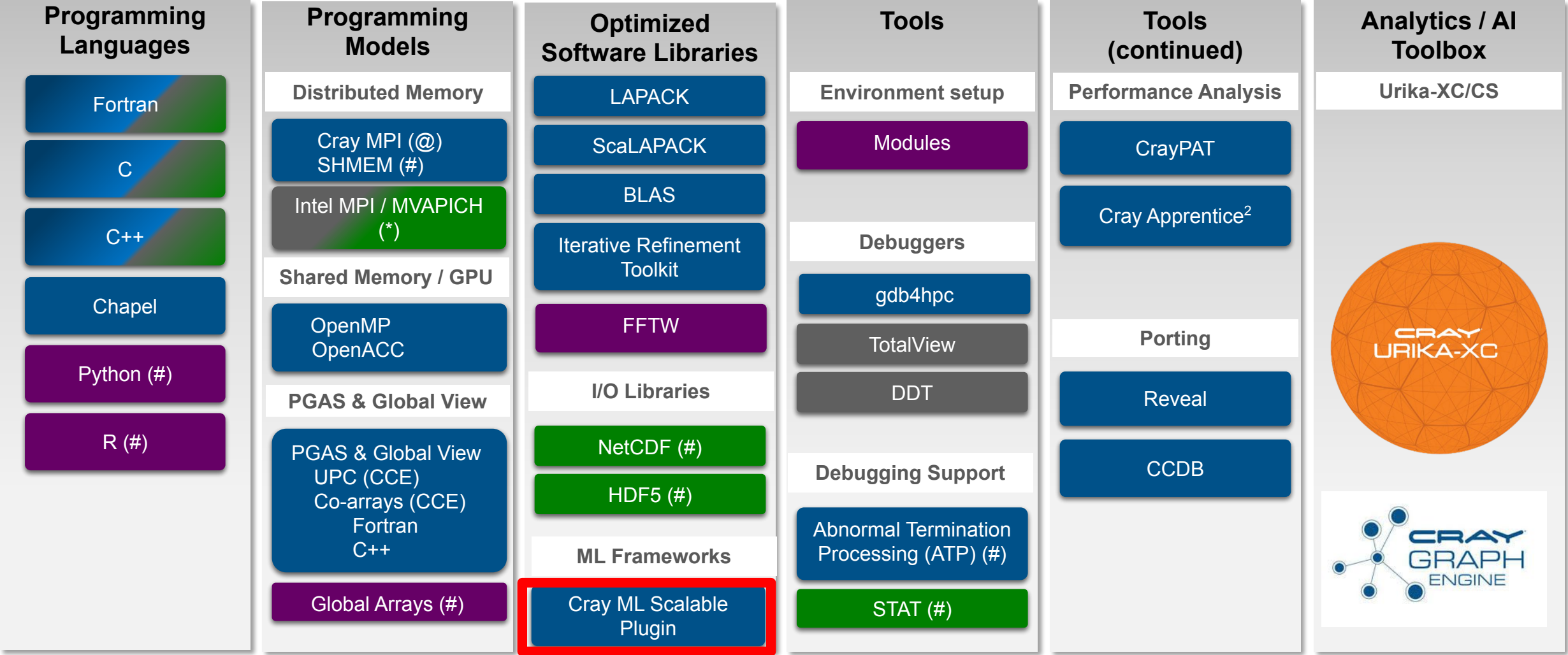
And Our Toolset has Broadened a Bit...







# Cray Programming Environment



Cray Developed

Cray added value to 3<sup>rd</sup> party

3<sup>rd</sup> party packaging


Licensed ISV SW

(\*) available on CS only

(#) available on XC only

(@) available on XC and Urika-GX only





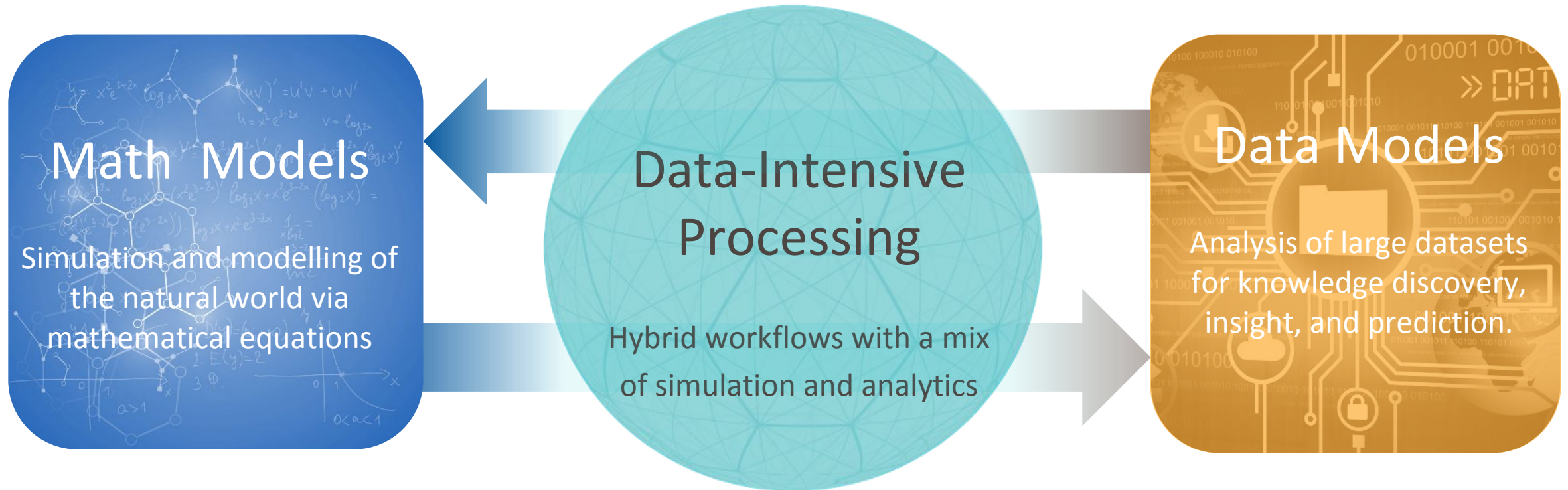
Cori, a Cray XC40 with  
UPC, can assemble a  
human genome in

**4 minutes**

Full Paper here: [https://people.eecs.berkeley.edu/~egeor/sc15\\_genome.pdf](https://people.eecs.berkeley.edu/~egeor/sc15_genome.pdf)

# MIXED SIMULATION/ANALYTICS WORKLOADS

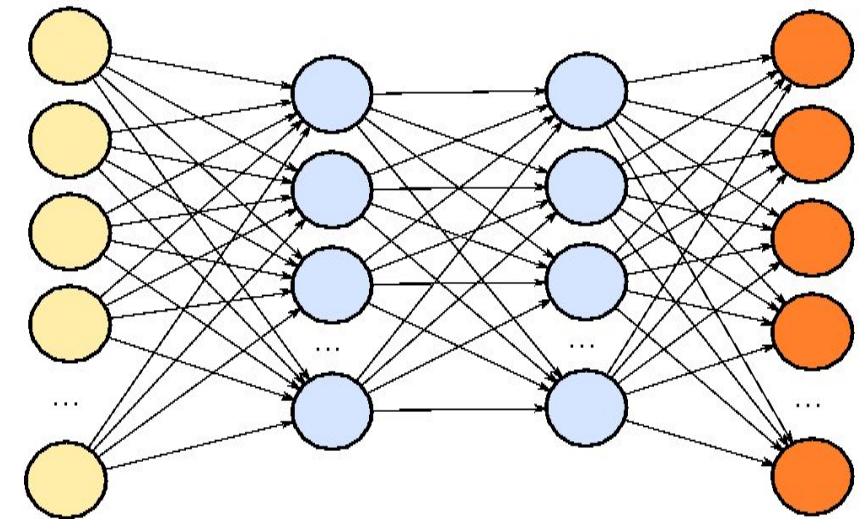
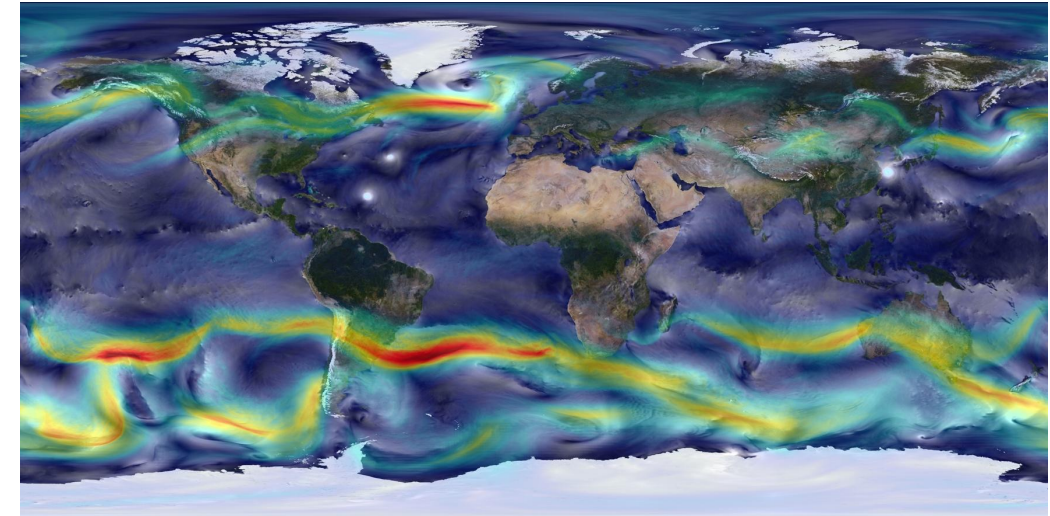
## Computational Modeling





# Converging AI and Simulations

- Using AI/analytics to analyze the results of a simulation
- Using DL to *pre-condition* an iterative simulation
- Using ML to *steer* an iterative simulation
- Using reinforcement learning to “tune the knobs” of a simulation for better accuracy and/or performance
- Using ML to evaluate the quality of shape elements in AMR applications
- Using ML for approximating basis functions during uncertainty quantification (UQ)
- Replacing *part* of simulation with a NN
- Using a simulation to generate training data for DNNs



# DETECTING EXTREME WEATHER

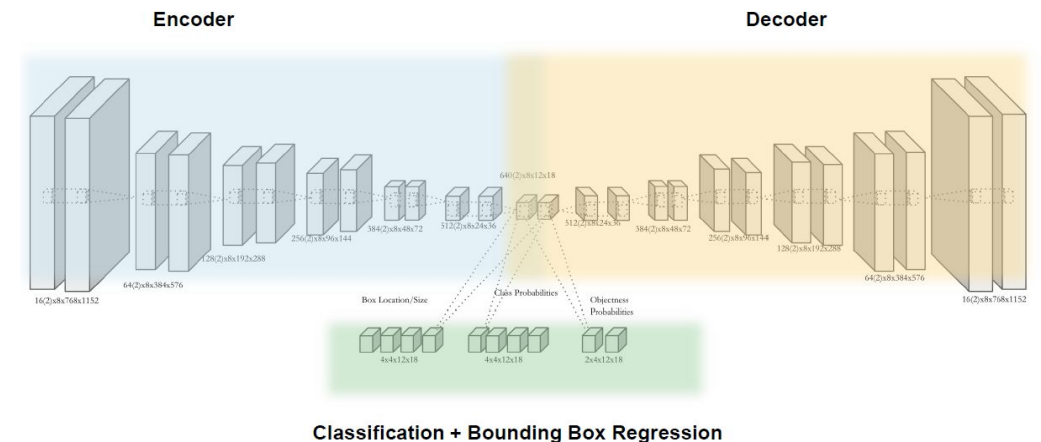
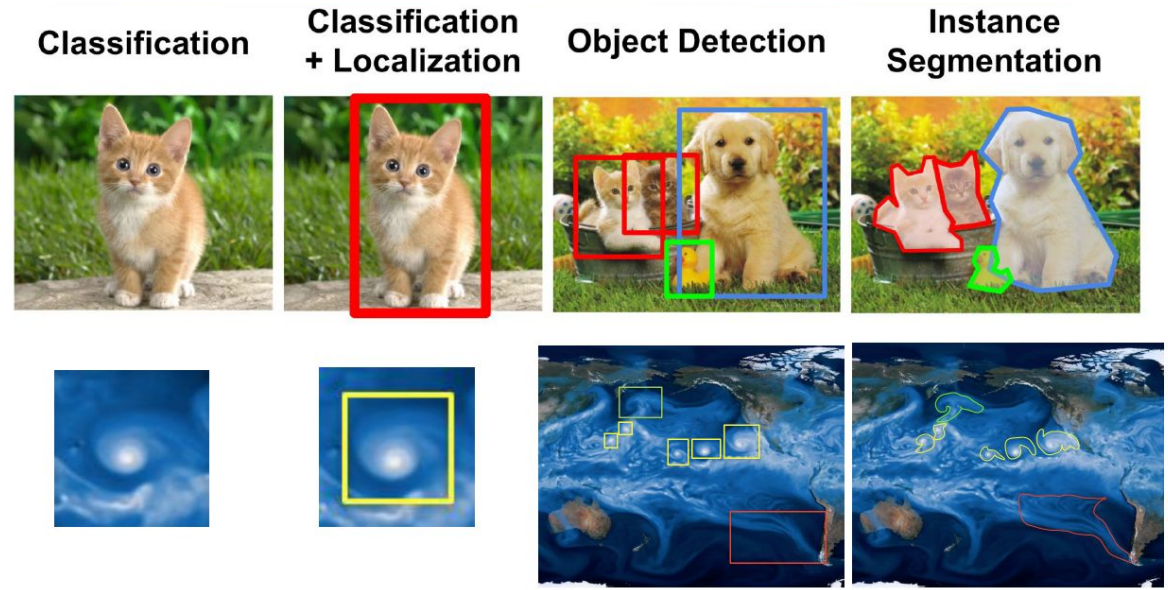
## Challenge:

- Climate simulations run at 10000x faster than real-time and high resolution required to reproduce extreme weather events – generate 100'sTB of data

## Supercomputer + AI Solution:

- Semi-supervised convolutional architectures can identify extreme weather events such as Tropical Cyclones, Atmospheric Rivers, Weather Fronts with 90% accuracy
- 15-PetaFLOP Deep Learning system used to scale training of a single model to ~9600 Xeon-Phi nodes; obtaining peak performance of 11.73-15.07 PFLOP/s

Full Paper - <https://arxiv.org/pdf/1708.05256.pdf>





# IMPROVING SATELLITE DATA UTILIZATION




## Through Deep Learning at NOAA

- Satellites provide more data than can be assimilated, ~3% of available data is used today
- Use DL object detection to identify areas of atmospheric instability from satellite observation data, focus extraction of observations on these regions of interest

Run on Theia – Cray CS-Storm system

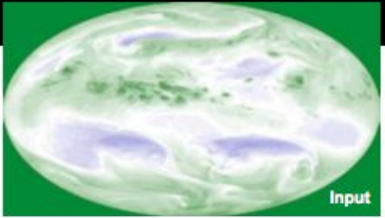
100 nodes, each with 8 NVIDIA Tesla P100 GPUs



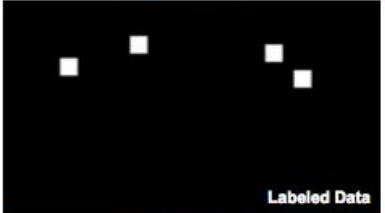
### Using Satellite Data for Training

- Water Vapor Channel from GOES 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, and 15
- Storm centers from IBTracks Dataset
- Data normalized to range from -1 to +1
- Trained 2010-2013 Validated 2014, Test 2015
- Images resized and cropped to 1024x512
- Image segmentation 25x25 pixel box segmentation centered on storm
- Only use storms classified as Tropical Storm or greater on Saffir Simpson Scale
  - 34 knots and above

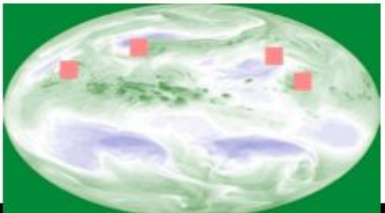
~ 4500 Labeled Data



Input



Labeled Data



NOAA - Earth System Research Laboratory

*Jebb Stewart, 2018 ECMWF workshop on HPC in Meteorology*

# MET OFFICE INSTALLS Urika-XC



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## UK MET OFFICE CHOOSES CRAY AI SOLUTION TO UNLOCK BUSINESS VALUE FROM WEATHER DATA

### Weather Center to Use Cray Urika-XC AI and Analytics Software to Develop Tailored Forecasts and Specialized Commercial Weather Products

SEATTLE, Sept. 26, 2018 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) — Global supercomputer leader Cray Inc. (Nasdaq:CRAY) today announced that the [Met Office](#), the United Kingdom's National Weather Service, has expanded its Cray® XC40™ supercomputer with artificial intelligence (AI) and analytics capabilities. The Met Office added [Cray's Urika®-XC](#) AI and analytics software suite to its supercomputer to unlock the highest levels of business value from the massive volumes of weather data it processes daily.

The Met Office is using Cray's Urika-XC suite to explore the use of new methods, such as machine learning, in extracting insights from observational and model data to better develop and customize commercial products, such as tailored forecasts. The Urika-XC suite was designed to run on Cray XC systems to eliminate the need for organizations to install new purpose-built analytics hardware and enable customers to run simulation and big data workloads on the same system.

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With the power of a Cray supercomputer, the Met Office is able to take in [215 billion weather observations](#) from all over the world every day and uses an advanced atmospheric model to create tailored forecasts and briefings that are delivered to customers including governments, environmental agencies, the military and the general public as well as businesses and other organizations.

“Cray and the Met Office share a long, productive and successful relationship, and we're pleased that one of the world's most prestigious weather agencies is taking the next step using Cray AI and analytics solutions to augment their capabilities to drive new business opportunities,” said Per Nyberg, vice president of market development, artificial intelligence and cloud at Cray. “The Met Office's decision demonstrates its confidence in Cray's innovation and creativity in helping tackle some of the planet's biggest weather and climate challenges. At Cray, we believe big data analytics, modeling and simulation are converging into new workflows leading to powerful insights for customers.”

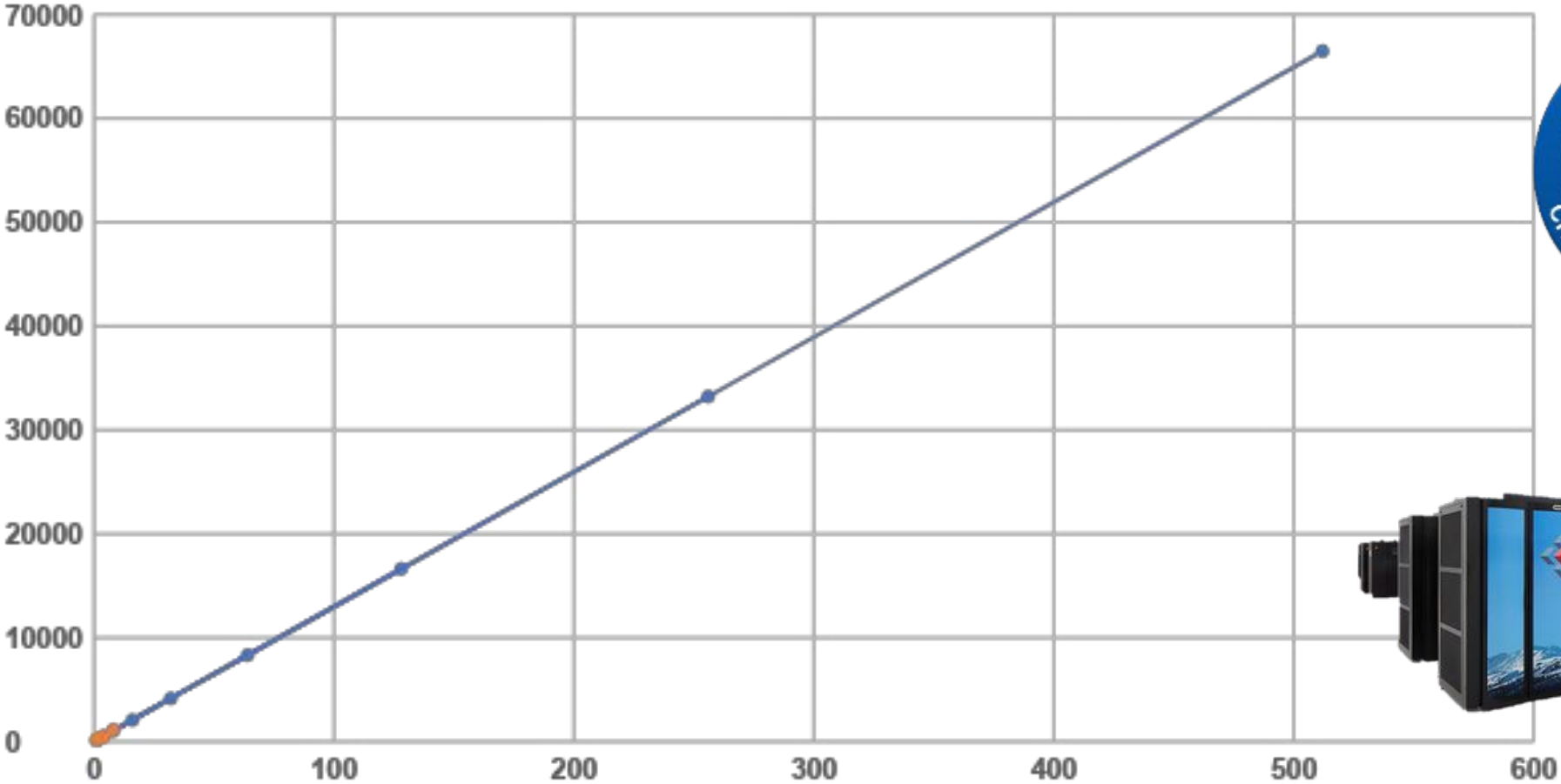


# Inception v3 Performance (Tensor Flow 1.3)

~68k images  
per second  
On 512 GPUs



Images per  
second



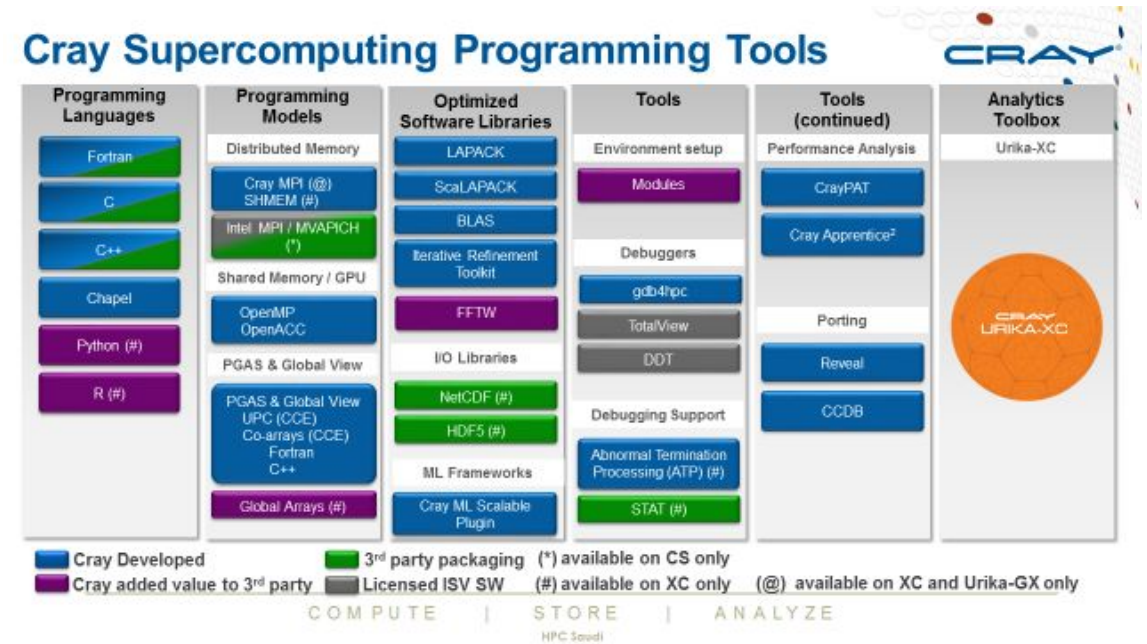
● Cray XC50    ● DGX1

Number of P100 GPUs



# Summary

- Scalability is still a key attribute in traditional modeling and simulation
- Workloads on large supercomputers are becoming more diverse and complex
  - AI/ML/DL methods (Data Models) are increasingly being used to enhance traditional modeling and simulation
  - And.....Scalability will also matter in this new paradigm
- We're going to need a bigger toolbox!






# THANK YOU

## Questions?



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