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# Computació, dades i IA: quin rol hi pot jugar Barcelona?

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*Amics UAB / Fundació Cat Eu*

**Dr. Josep M. Martorell**

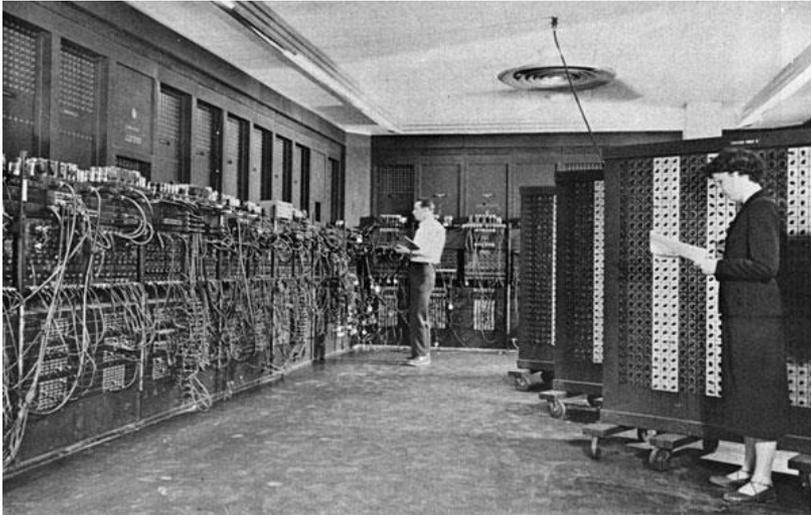
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# Today's menu

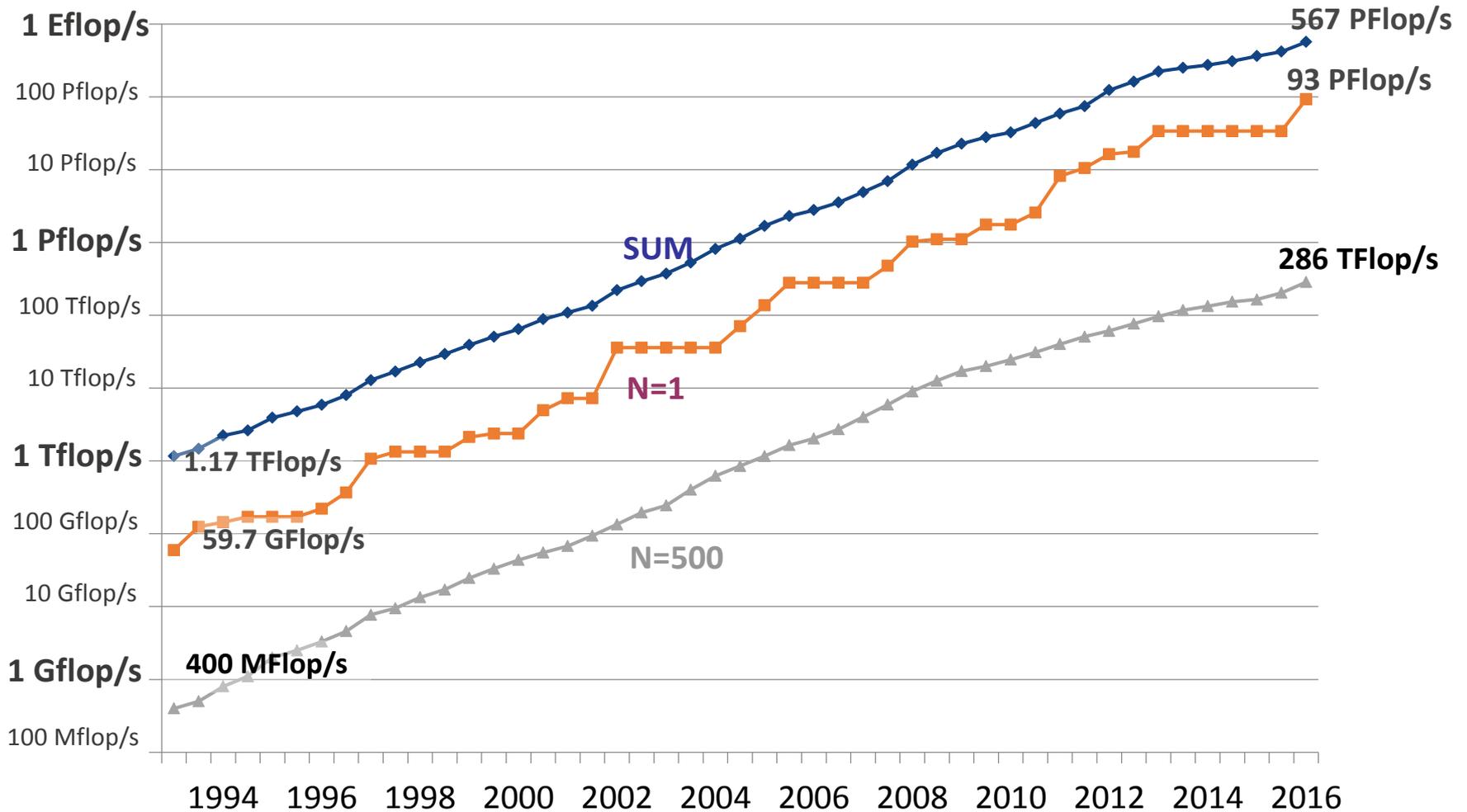
- **Let's understand the role of HPC & AI in the current and future European Challenges**
  - Evolution of computing power
  - Evolution of AI technologies
  - Impact on Research (and the role of the BSC)
  - Impact on Health, Industry, Environment,...
- **Let's discuss the role of Europe (&BCN) in the future revolutions**
  - In HPC
  - In AI
  - In Quantum

# 7 decades of Computing



About  $10^{17}$  times most powerful = 100.000.000.000.000.000

# Performance Development of HPC over the Last 23 Years from the Top500

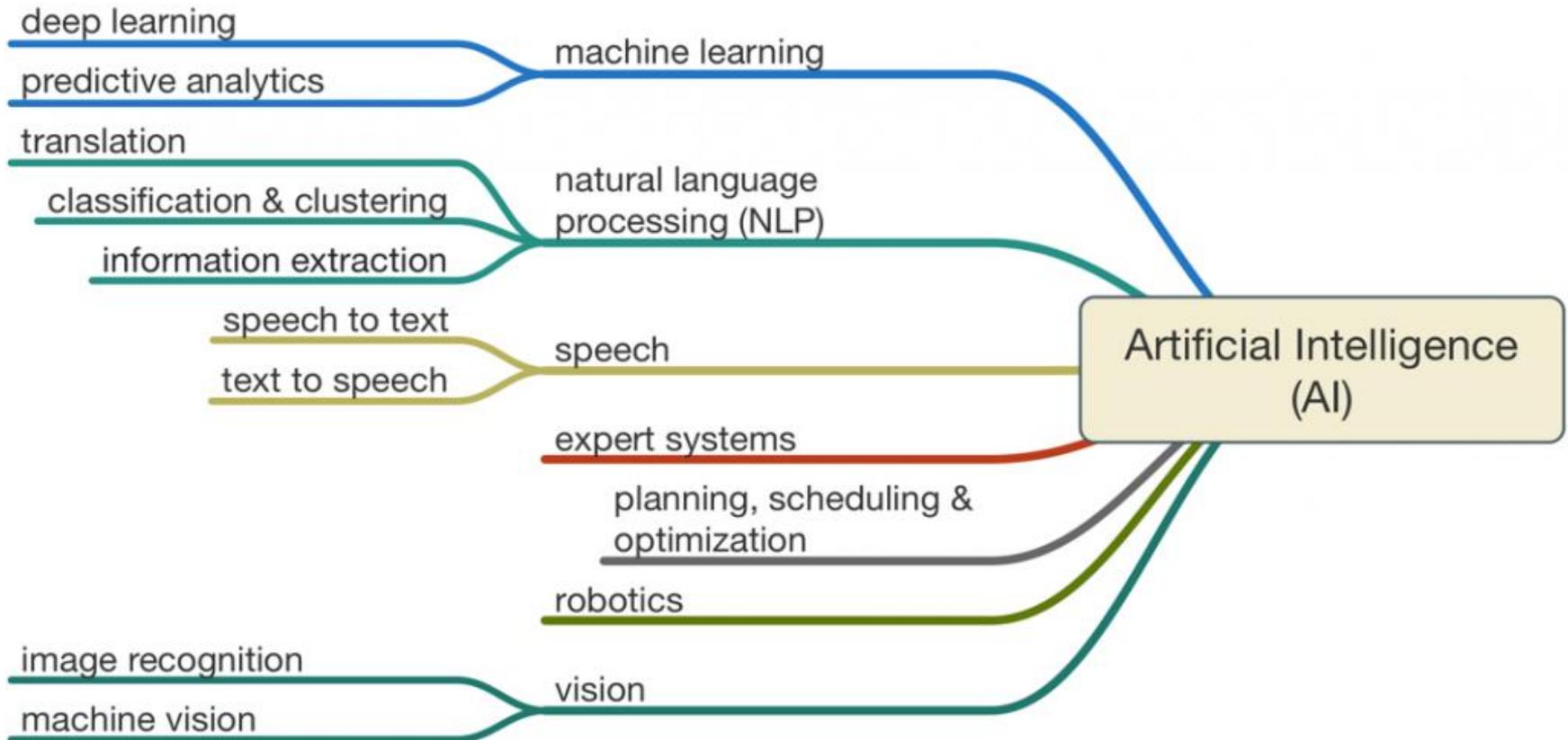




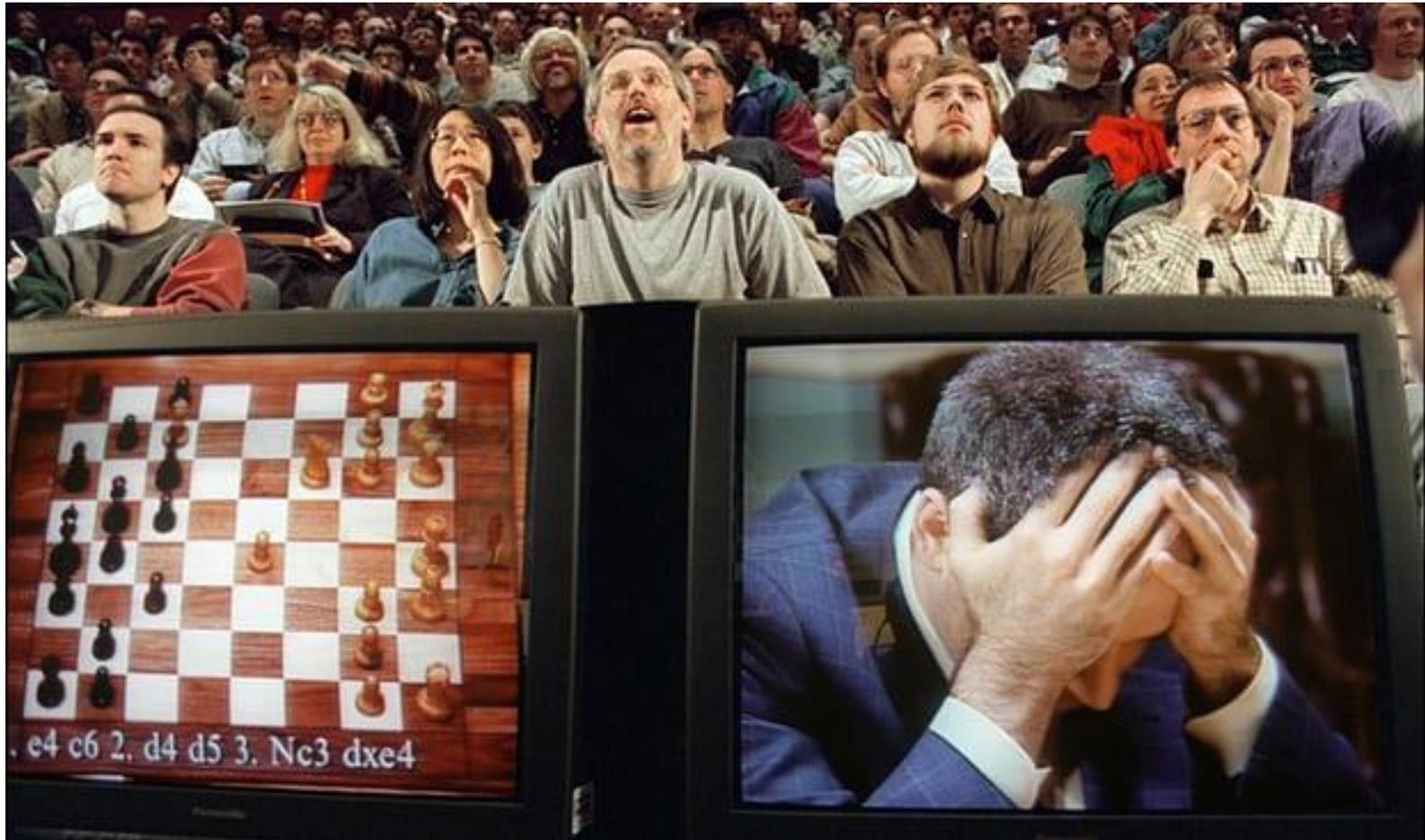
# Top25, Nov 2018

Rank	Name	Site	Manufacturer	Country	Rmax [TFlop/s]	Rpeak [TFlop/s]	GFlops/Watts
1	Summit	DOE/SC/Oak Ridge National Laboratory	IBM	US	143,500	200,794.88	14.67
2	Sierra	DOE/NNSA/Lawrence Livermore National Lab.	IBM/NVIDIA	US	94,640	125,712	12.72
3	Sunway TaihuLight	National Supercomputing Center in Wuxi	NRCPC	China	93,014.59	125,435.90	6.05
4	Tianhe-2 <sup>a</sup>	National Super Computer Center in Guangzhou	NUDT	China	61,444.50	100,678.66	3.33
5	Piz Daint	Swiss National Supercomputing Centre	Cray Inc.	Switz	21230	27.154.3	8.90
6	Trinity	DOE/NNSA/LANL/SNL	Cray Inc.	US	20,158.7	41,461.15	2.66
7	AI Bridging Cloud Inf.	National Inst. of Adv Industrial Science & Tech.	Fujitsu	Japan	19,880.00	32,576.63	12.05
8	SuperMUC-NG	Leibniz Rechenzentrum	Lenovo	Germany	19,476.6	28,872.86	
9	Titan	DOE/SC/Oak Ridge National Laboratory	Cray Inc.	US	17,590.00	27,112.55	2.14
10	Sequoia	DOE/NNSA/Lawrence Livermore National Lab.	IBM	US	17,173.22	20,132.66	2.18
11	Lassen	DOE/NNSA/Lawrence Livermore National Lab.	IBM	US	15,430	19,904.4	
12	Cori	DOE/SC/LBNL/NERSC	Cray Inc	US	14,014	27,880.65	3.56
13	Nurion	Korea Inst. of Science and Tech Information	Cray Inc.	Sth Korea	13,929.30	25,705.90	
14	Oakforest-PACS	Joint Center for Advanced HPC	Fujitsu	Japan	13,554.60	24,913.46	4.99
15	HPC4	Eni S.p.A.	HPE	Italy	12,210.00	18,621.14	9.25
16	Tera-1000-2	Commissariat a l'Energie Atomique (CEA)	Bull	France	11,965.50	23,396.35	3.77
17	Stampede2	Texas Adv. Computing Center/Univ. of Texas	Dell EMC	US	10,680.70	18,309.22	
18		RIKEN Advanced Institute for Computational Science	Fujitsu	Japan	10,510.00	11,280.38	0.83
19	Marconi Intel Xeon Phi	CINECA	Lenovo	Italy	10,384.9	18,816	
20	Taiwania 2	National Center for High Performance Computing	Quanta Comp	Taiwan	9,000	15,208.23	11.28
21	Mira	DOE/SC/Argonne National Laboratory	IBM	US	8,586.61	10,066.33	2.18
22	TSUBAME3.0	GSIC Center, Tokyo Institute of Technology	HPE	Japan	8,125.00	12,127.07	10.26
23		United Kingdom Meteorological Office	Cray Inc.	UK	7,038.93	8,128.51	
25	Theta	DOE/SC/Argonne National Laboratory	Cray Inc.	US	6,920.90	11,661.31	
25	MareNostrum	Barcelona Supercomputing Center	Lenovo	Spain	6,470.80	10,296.12	3.97

# What does AI mean?



# Deep Learning



# Deep Learning

## AlphaZero AI beats champion chess program after teaching itself in four hours

Google's artificial intelligence sibling DeepMind repurposes Go-playing AI to conquer chess and shogi without aid of human knowledge

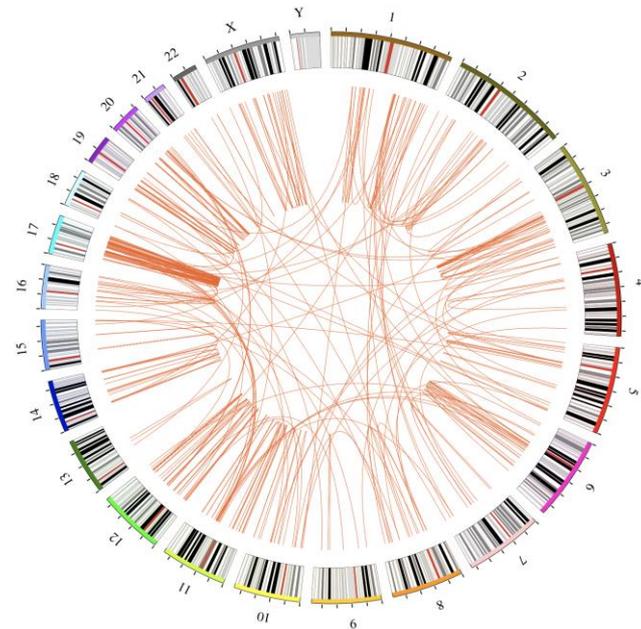


# Two different problems

“Model known”



“Model Unknown”



# The Evolution of the Research Paradigm



## Numerical Simulation and Big Data Analysis

- Reduce expense
- Avoid suffering
- Help to build knowledge where experiments are impossible or not affordable

# HPC: An enabler for all scientific fields



**Materials,  
Chemistry &  
Nanoscience**



**Engineering**



**Astro,  
High Energy  
& Plasma  
Physics**



**Life Sciences  
& Medicine**



**Earth  
Sciences**

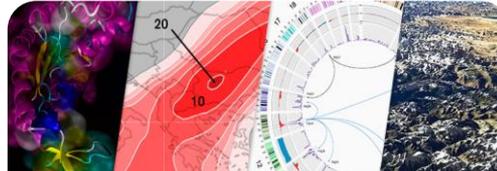
## Advances leading to:

- Improved Healthcare
- Better Climate Forecasting
- Superior Materials
- More Competitive Industry

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Supercomputing services  
to Spanish and  
EU researchers



R&D in Computer,  
Life, Earth and  
Engineering Sciences



PhD programme,  
technology transfer,  
public engagement

**BSC-CNS is  
a consortium  
that includes**

**Spanish Government**



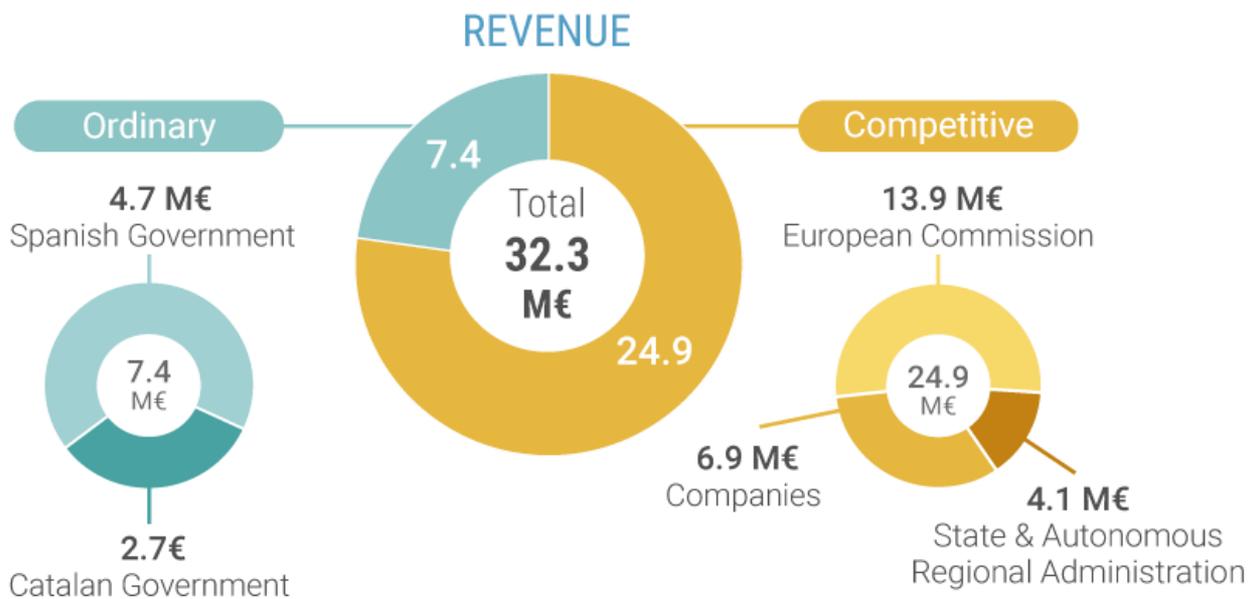
**Catalonian Government**



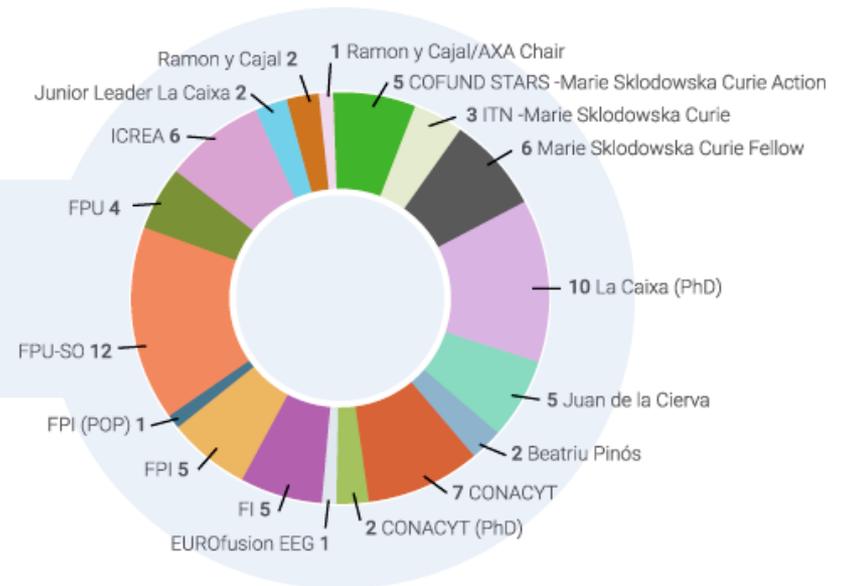
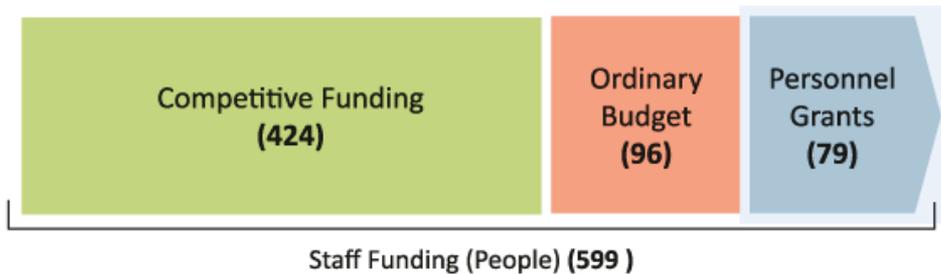
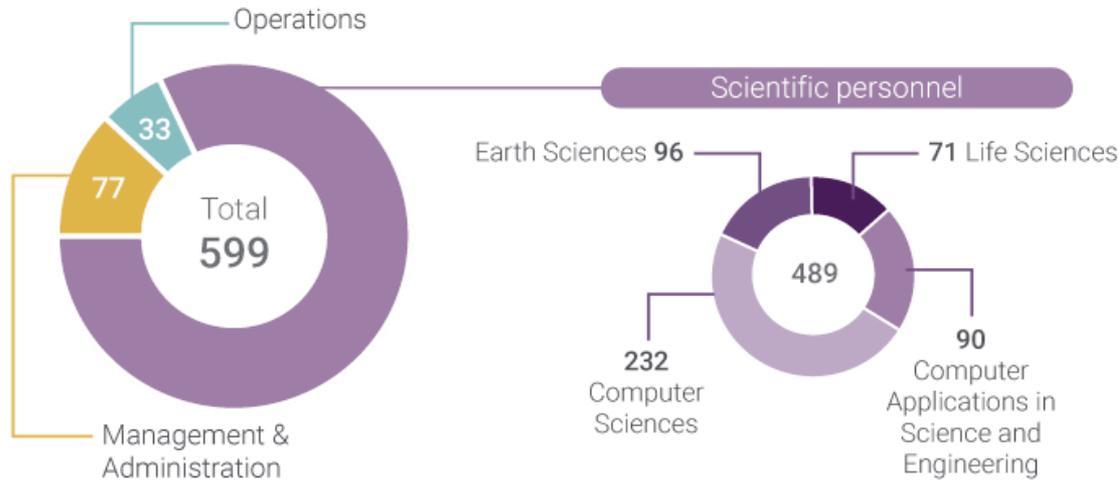
**Univ. Politècnica de Catalunya (UPC)**



# BSC Resources



# People



# MareNostrum4

Total peak performance: **13,7 Pflops**

General Purpose Cluster: 11.15 Pflops (1.07.2017)

CTE1-P9+Volta: 1.57 Pflops (1.03.2018)

CTE2-Arm V8: 0.5 Pflops (????)

CTE3-KNH?: 0.5 Pflops (????)



## MareNostrum 1

2004 – 42,3 Tflops

1<sup>st</sup> Europe / 4<sup>th</sup> World

New technologies

## MareNostrum 2

2006 – 94,2 Tflops

1<sup>st</sup> Europe / 5<sup>th</sup> World

New technologies

## MareNostrum 3

2012 – 1,1 Pflops

12<sup>th</sup> Europe / 36<sup>th</sup> World

## MareNostrum 4

2017 – 11,1 Pflops

2<sup>nd</sup> Europe / 13<sup>th</sup> World

New technologies



# Distributed Supercomputing Infrastructure

26 members, including

**5 Hosting Members**

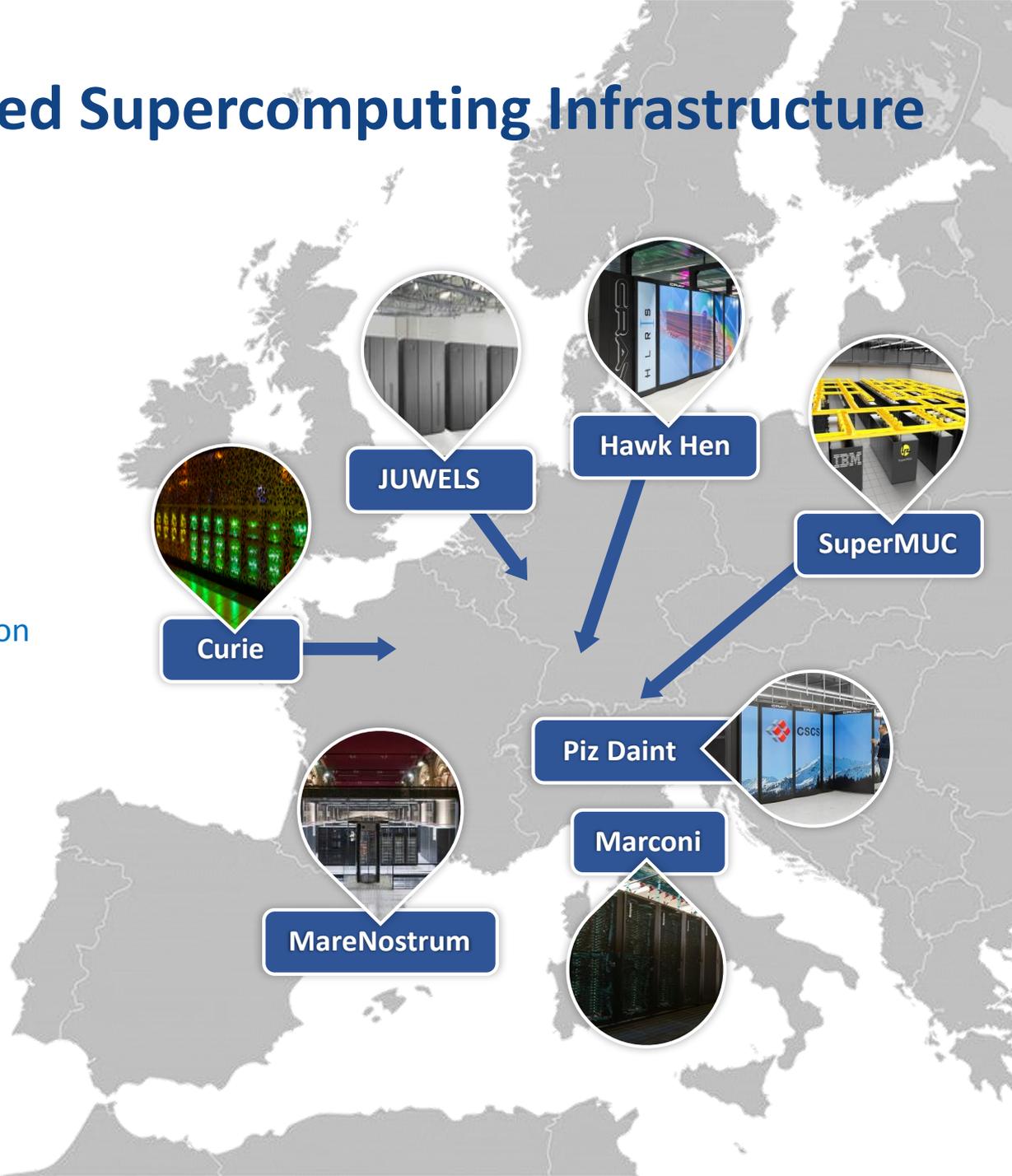
(Switzerland, France, Germany,  
Italy and Spain)

652 scientific projects  
enabled

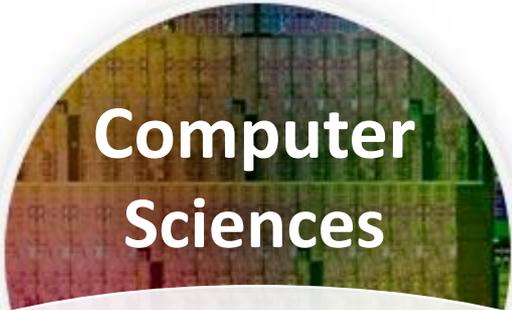
110 PFlops/s of peak performance on  
7 world-class systems

>12.000 people trained by 6 PRACE  
Advanced Training Centers and  
others events

Access [prace-ri.eu/hpc-acces](http://prace-ri.eu/hpc-acces)



# Mission of BSC Scientific Departments



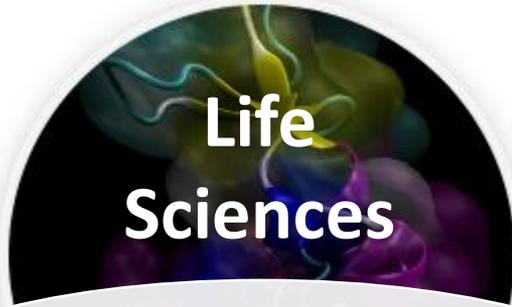
## Computer Sciences

To influence the way machines are built, programmed and used: programming models, performance tools, Big Data, computer architecture, energy efficiency



## Earth Sciences

To develop and implement global and regional state-of-the-art models for short-term air quality forecast and long-term climate applications



## Life Sciences

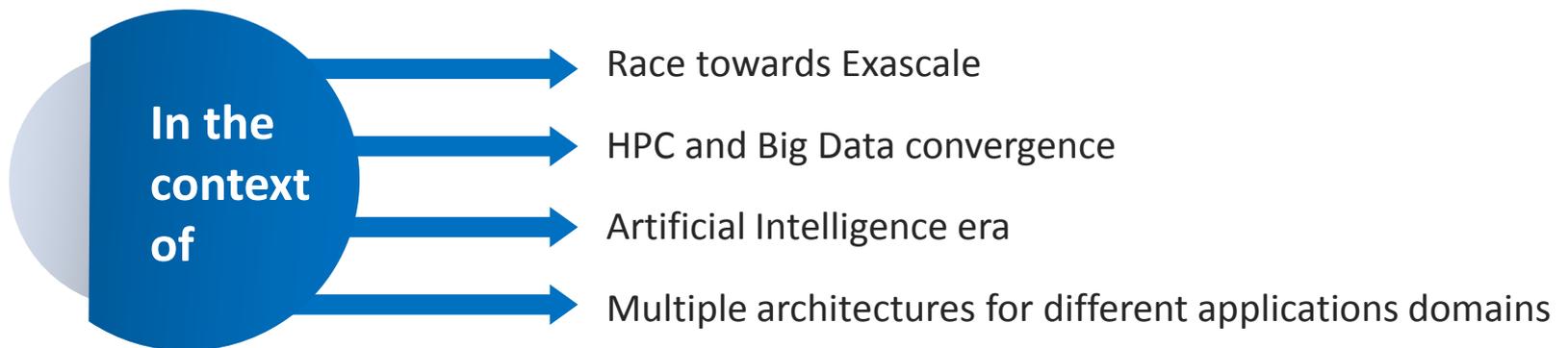
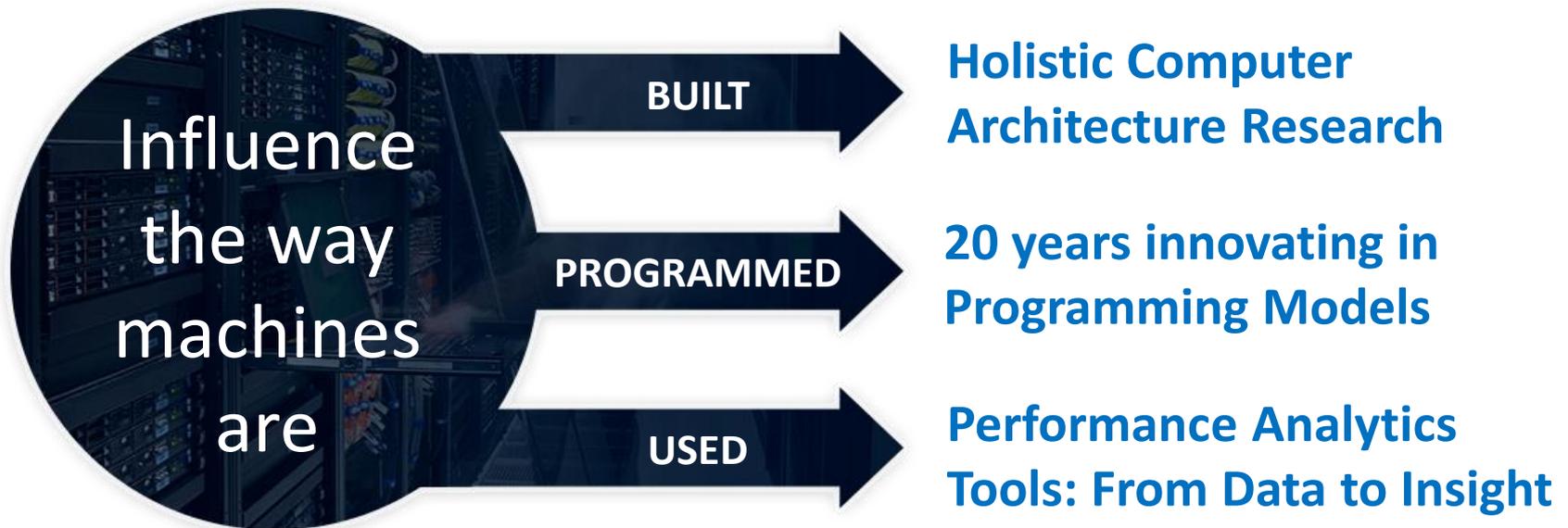
To understand living organisms by means of theoretical and computational methods (molecular modeling, genomics, proteomics)



## CASE

To develop scientific and engineering software to efficiently exploit super-computing capabilities (biomedical, geophysics, atmospheric, energy, social and economic simulations)

# Computer Sciences



# Human Brain Project

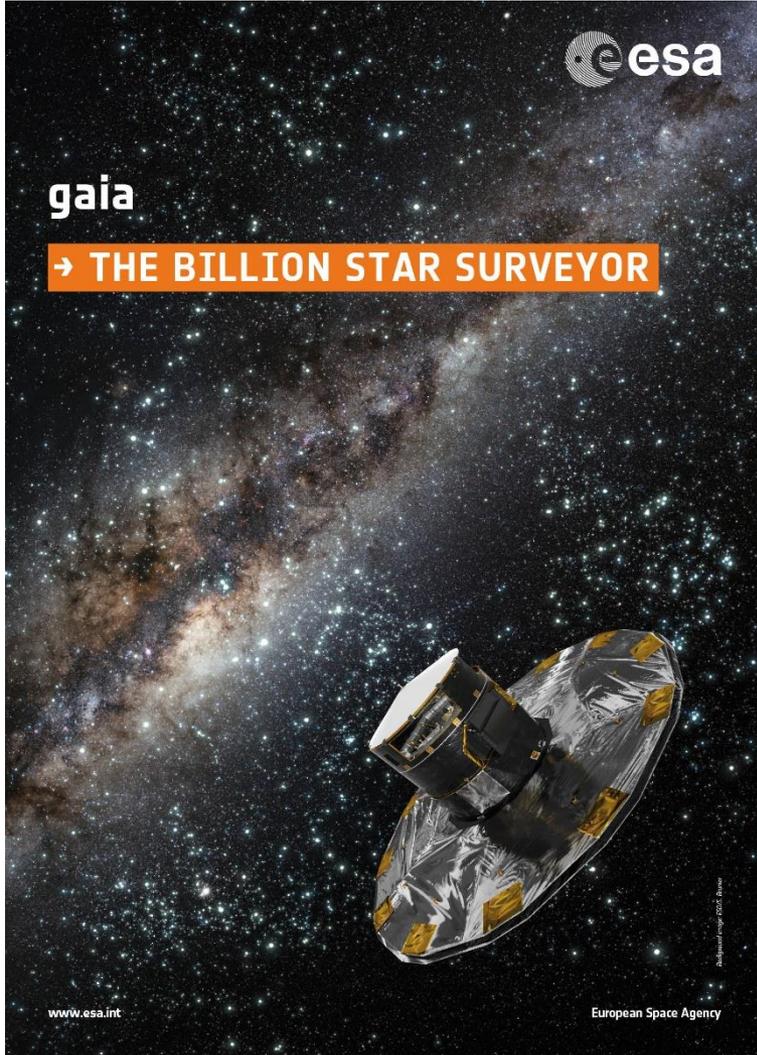


Human Brain Project

- 10-year, 1000M€ FET flagship project
- Goal: to pull together all existing **knowledge about the human brain** and to reconstruct the brain in supercomputer based models and simulations.

- **Expected outcomes:** new treatments for brain disease and new brain-like computing technologies
- **BSC role:** Provision and optimisation of programming models to allow simulations to be developed efficiently
- **MareNostrum** part of the HPC platform for simulations

# Gaia ESA Mission



About 3PBytes of data, coming from 1.700.000.000 stars

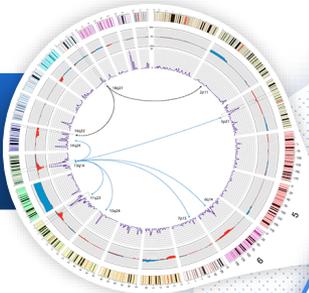
# Life Sciences

Understanding living organisms by theoretical and computational methods

Machine Learning



Computational genomics



Protein and drug modeling



Personalized Medicine



Text Mining



Evaluation of social impact



Bio-Infrastructure

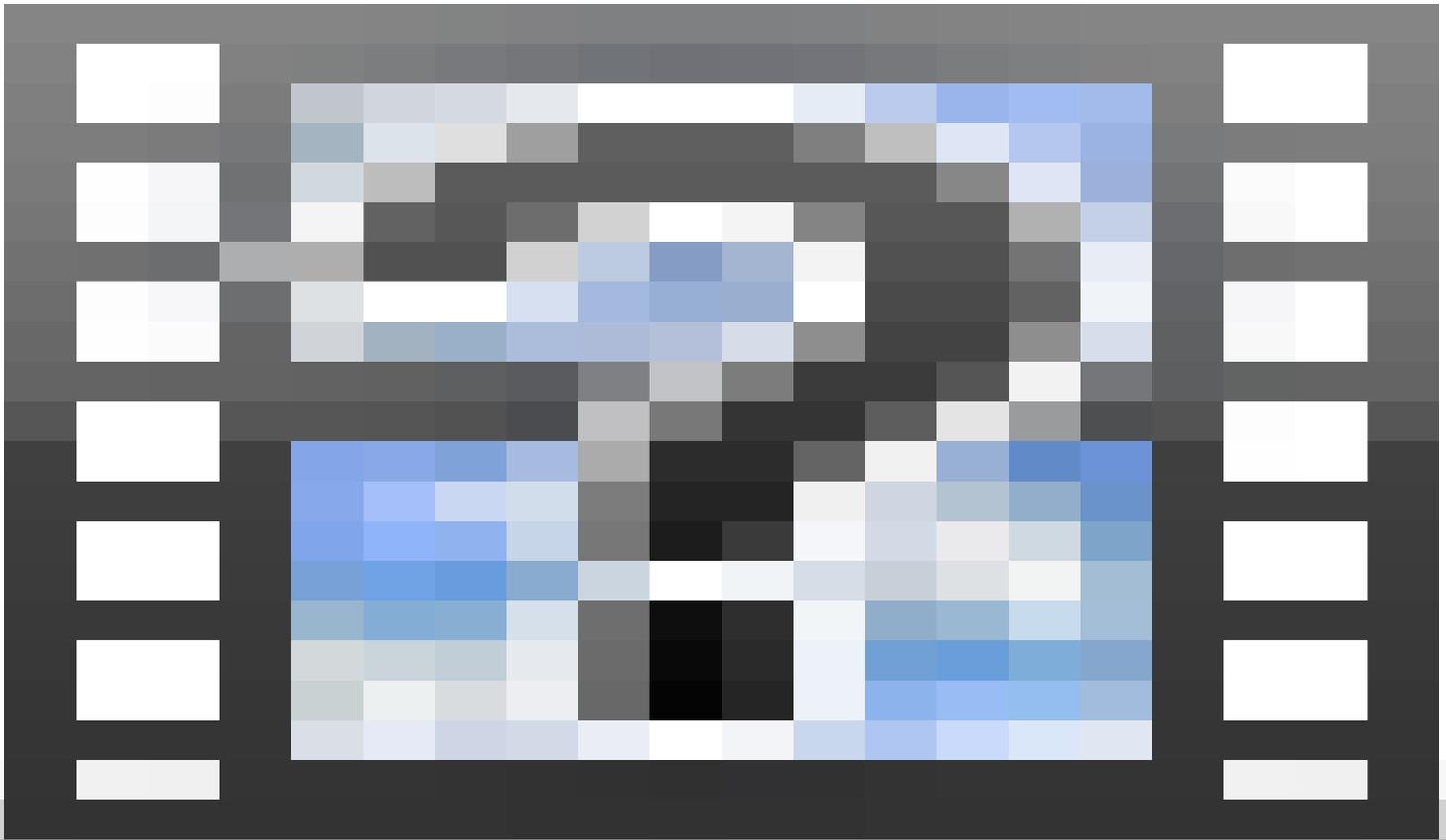


# Heart simulator



BIOMECHANICS

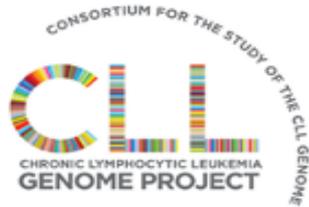




# Detecting genome alterations

## Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia

We set up a Sequencing pipeline for the **Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia (CLL) Genome Project**, that aims to generate a comprehensive catalogue of genomic alterations involved in the development and progression of the disease.



International  
Cancer Genome  
Consortium



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Genome  
Sequencing (CNAG)



500 Patients  
1 Patient = less than a day

BSC  
Data Management  
Around 1.5 Pb



HPC Computing  
Sustained 10-15%  
BSC MareNostrum-II

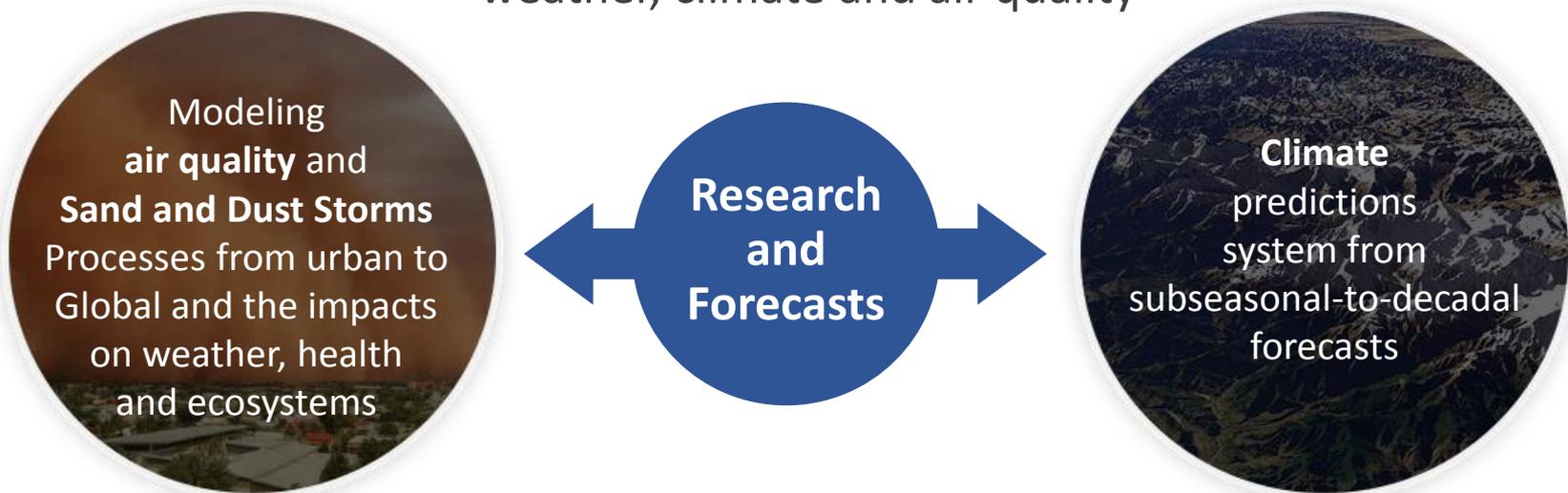
Experimental  
Validation



Puente et al. Nature 2011  
Quesada et al. Nature Genetics 2012  
Kulis et al., Nature Genetics 2012  
Puente et al., Nature under review

# Earth Sciences

Environmental modelling and forecasting, with a particular focus on weather, climate and air quality



## Service Users Sectors



Infrastructures



Solar Energy



Urban development



Transport



Wind Energy



Agriculture



Insurance

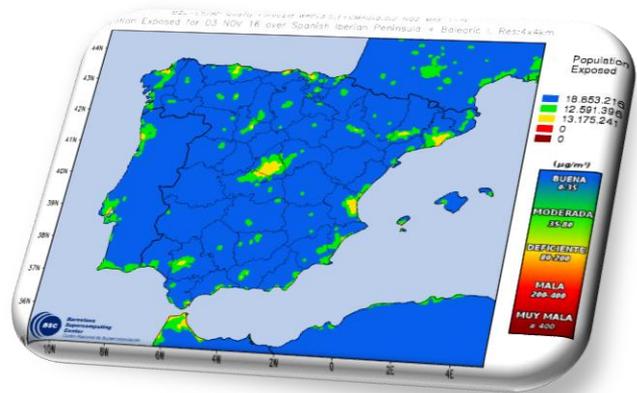
# CALIOPE Real-time Air Quality forecasts

Provides air quality related information for the coming days and for the application of short term action plans for air quality managers



Information is delivered using both online or custom applications

[www.bsc.es/caliope](http://www.bsc.es/caliope)



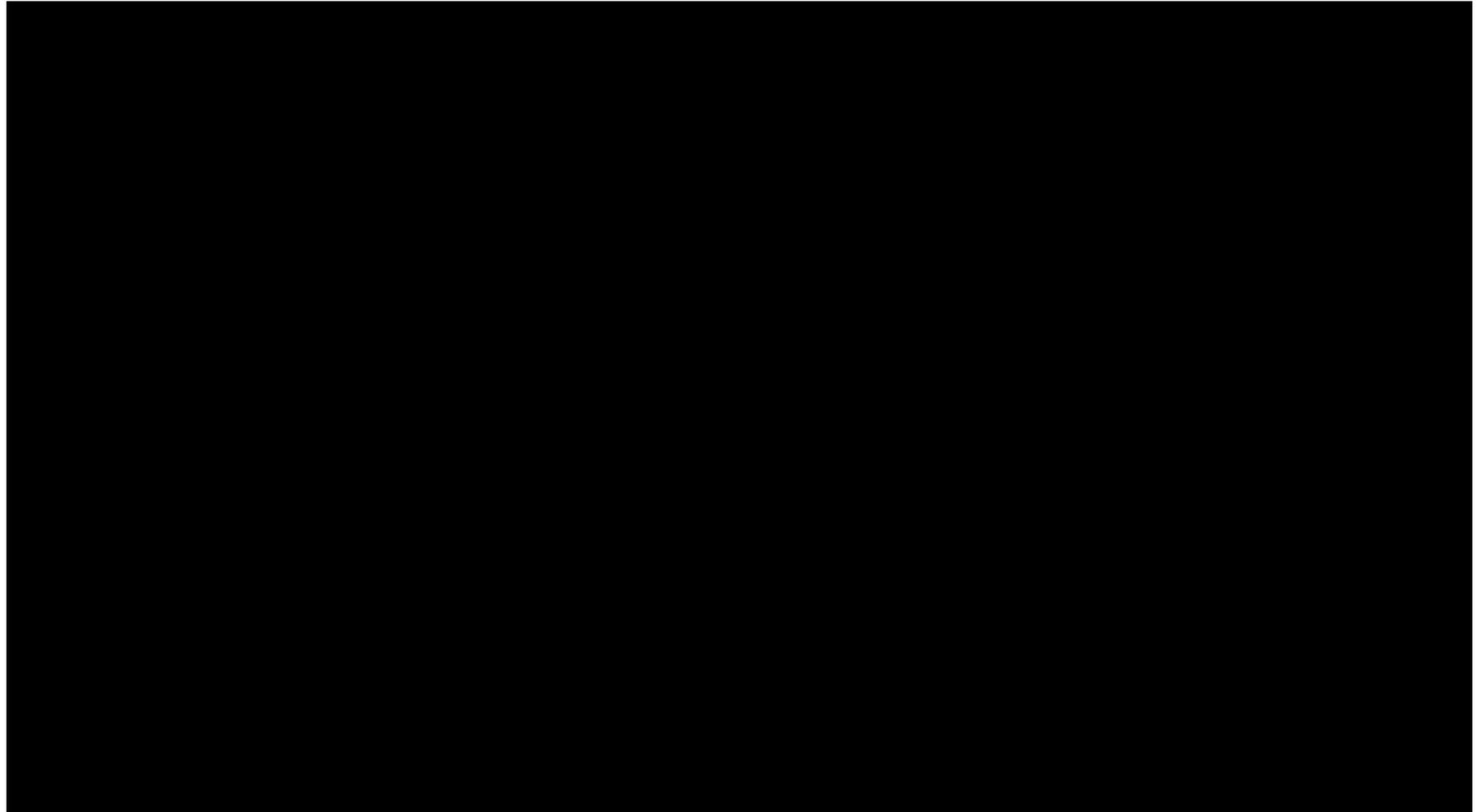
Smart city platform



Air quality index & population exposed

# Maritime emission modelling and prediction

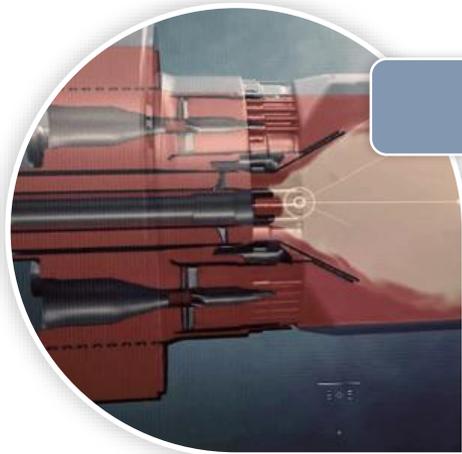
From AIS and fog computing data using convolutional neural networks



# Wind Farms Simulation



# Computational Applications for Science and Engineering



Energy

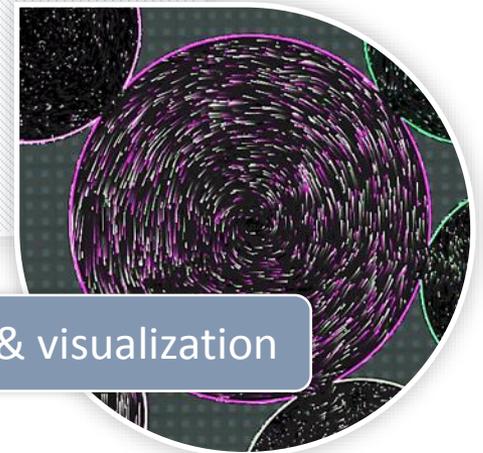


Biomechanics

**INDUSTRY  
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DEPARTMENT**



Smart & resilient cities

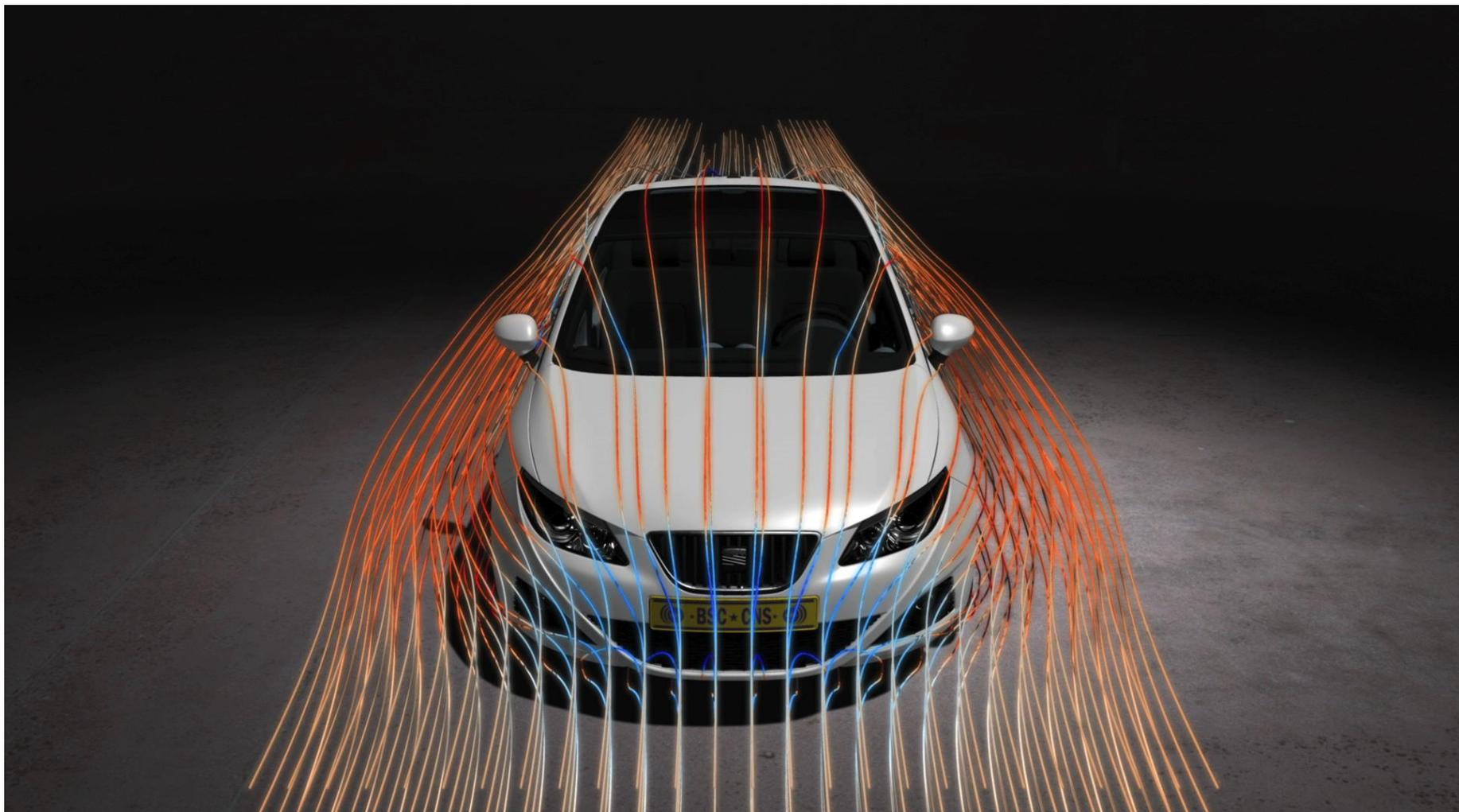


Data analytics & visualization

# Geo Physics



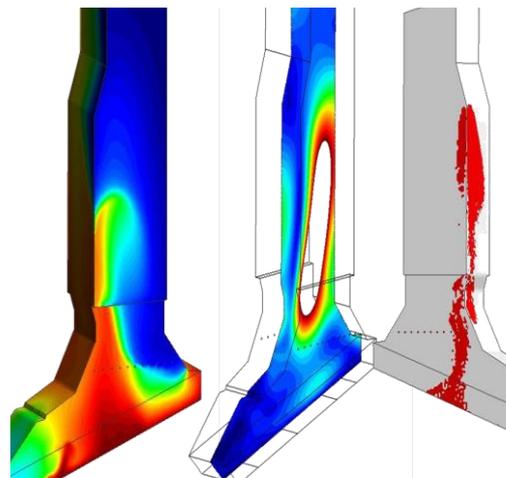
# External Aerodynamics



# Machine Learning for Industry



Physical Modelling



Computer simulations



Prediction of unknown conditions

Machine Learning



contaminantes



residuos



Energía

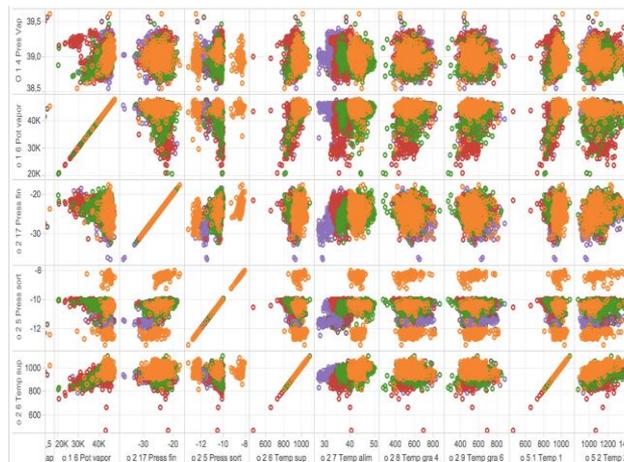


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residuos compactos

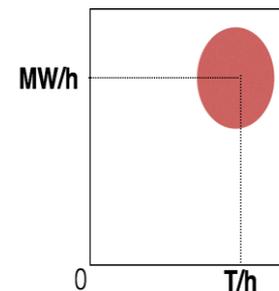


Validation/support



Information retrieval/display

Régimen óptimo



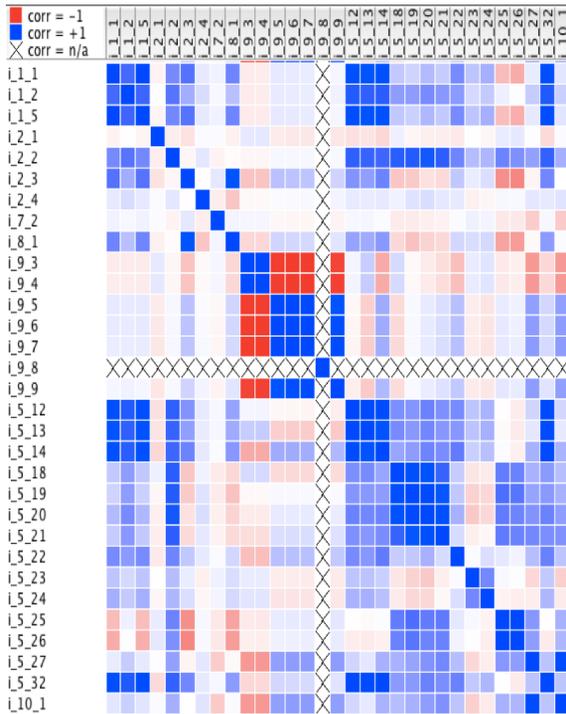
Automatic machine control

Data gathering/modelling

# Machine Learning for Industry

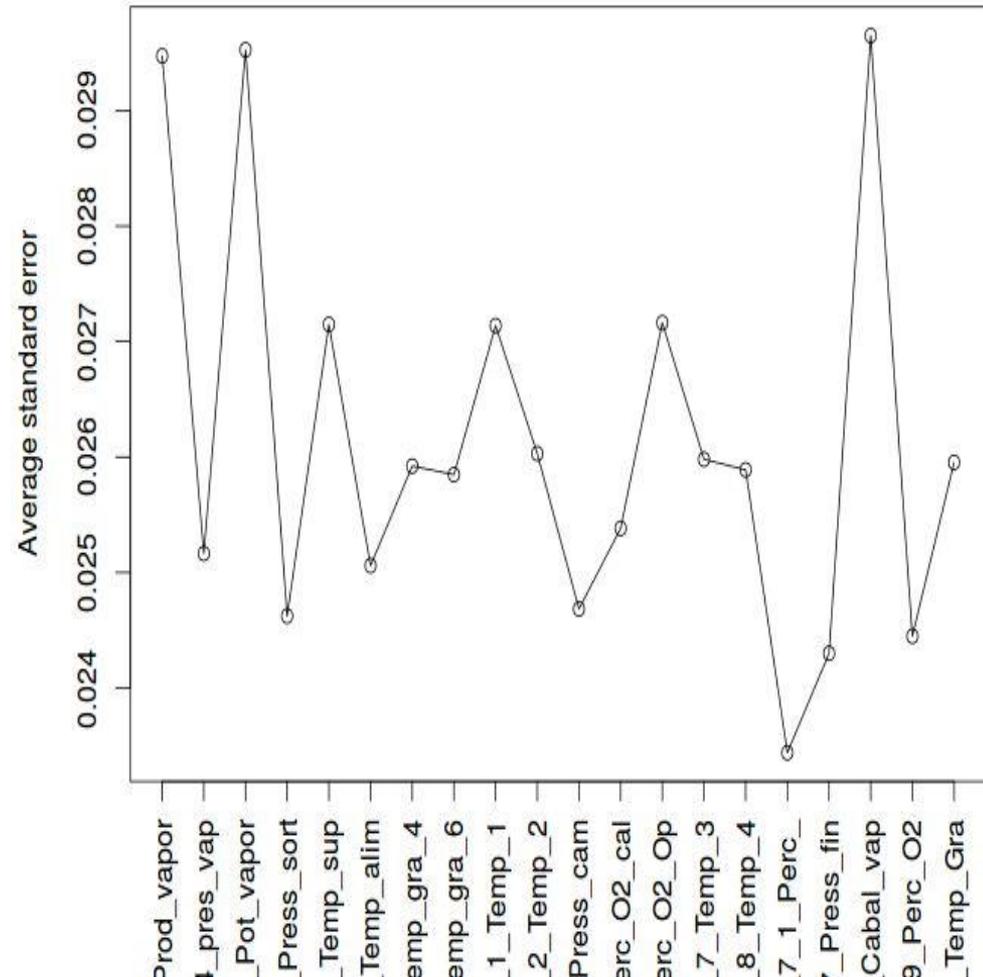
## Data cleaning

- 156 variables every 5 seconds
- Storage (SQL, Cassandra)
- Parallel Pipeline
- Redundant data reduction

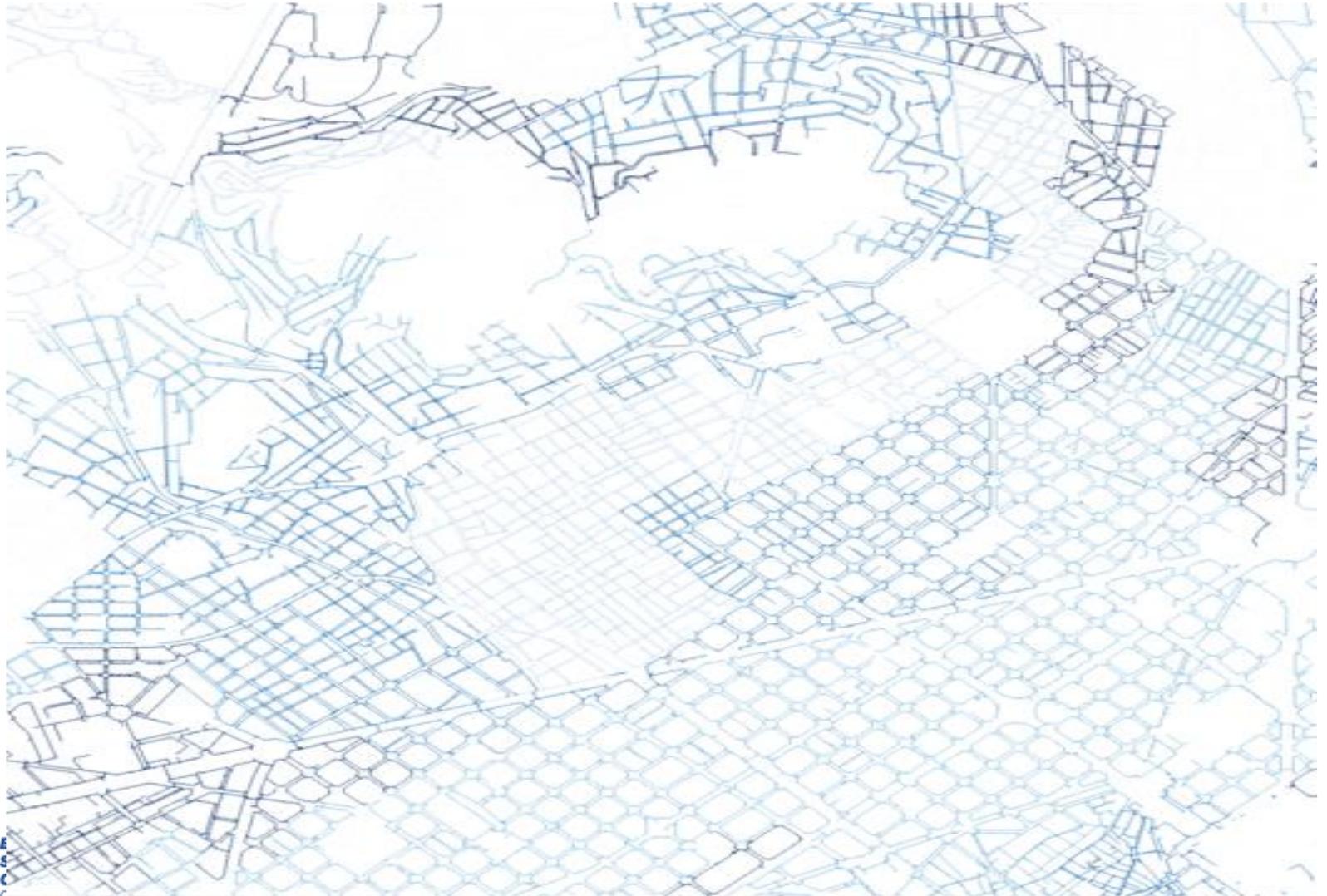


Input-input correlation matrix  
(Pearson's coefficient)

## Predictive Capacity



# Predictive Maintenance: Water distribution network



# Open Project Portfolio December 2018

(includes H2020 projects in negotiation and national projects beginning soon)

**234 running projects, total budget of over 97M€\***

106 <u>H2020/FP7</u> projects running or in negotiation (11 as coordinator)	62M€
39 running <u>contracts</u> , mostly with companies	12M€
52 projects with <u>Spanish and Catalan</u> public funding	16M€
17 projects funded through <u>other EU programmes</u> (incl. Copernicus)	3M€
17 projects funded through <u>other sources</u>	3M€
3 strategic <u>self-funded</u> projects	1M€

Plus:

65 <u>personnel grants</u> (national funding plus CONACYT programme)	7M€
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Does not include ICREA, UPC, MSC,

# TOP-10 Catalan Organizations in Horizon 2020

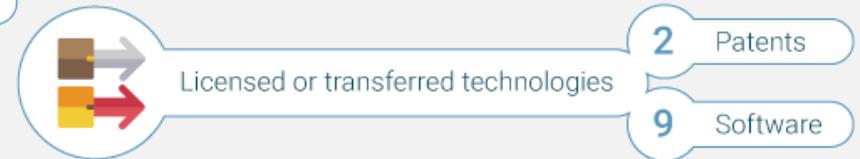
Legal name	EU Contribution (€)	Project Participations
Barcelona Supercomputing Center	68,326,411 €	123
Universitat Pompeu Fabra	53,189,145 €	96
Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya	52,595,046 €	147
ICFO	50,390,271 €	72
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona	46,478,150 €	99
Universitat de Barcelona	43,292,105 €	120
CRG	36,333,838 €	62
LEITAT	26,988,611 €	60
EURECAT	25,713,104 €	60
IDIBAPS	17,874,593 €	35

# TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

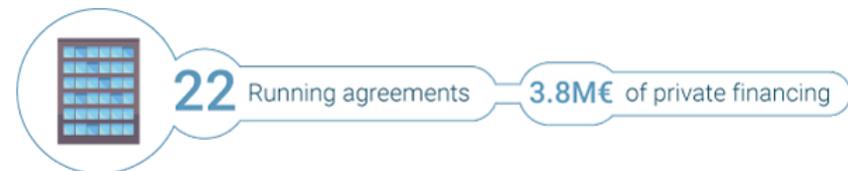
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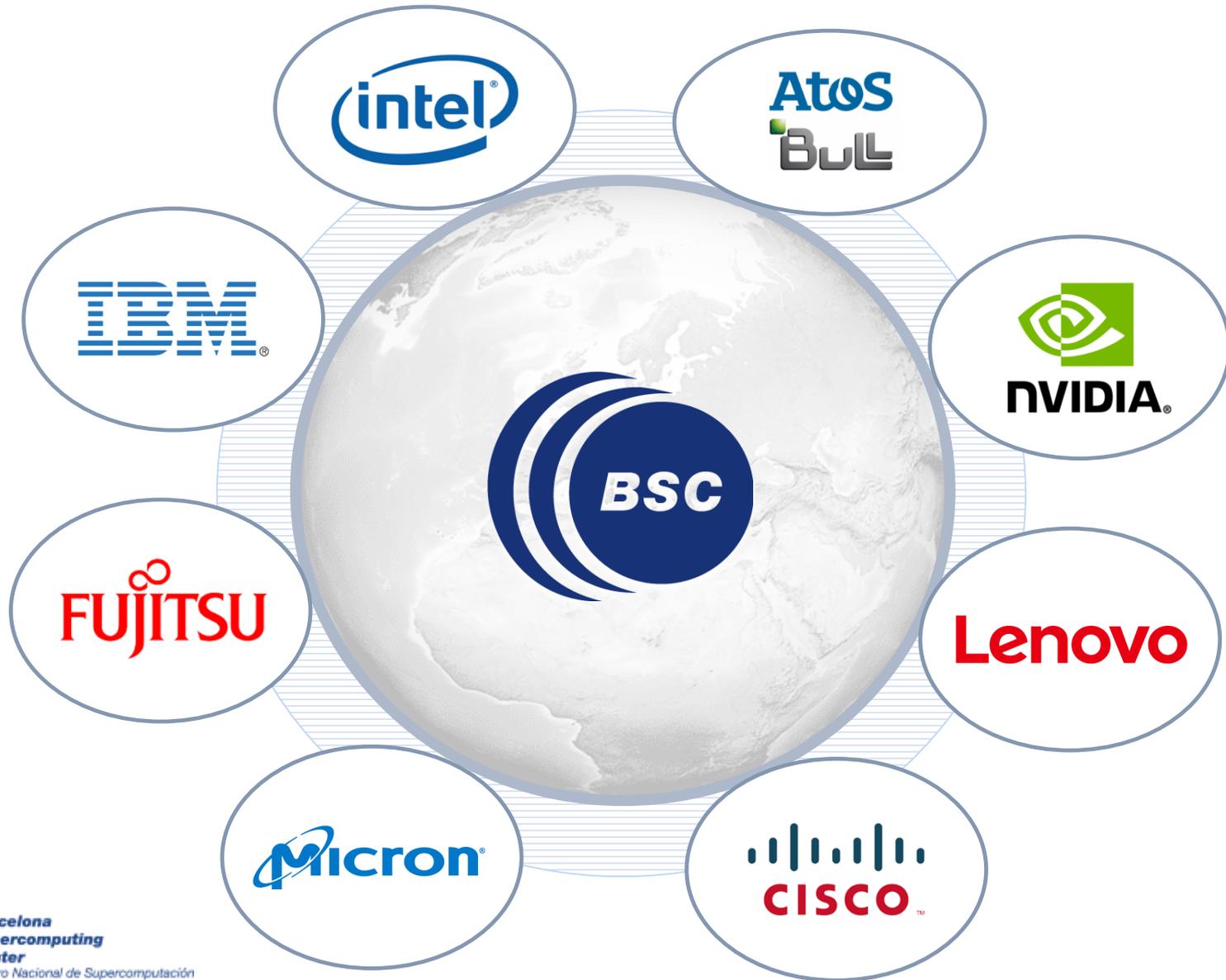
## SPIN-OFFS AND LICENCING



## BILATERAL COLLABORATION WITH COMPANIES



# BSC & The Global IT Industry 2018



# Collaborations with Industry



Research into advanced technologies for the exploration of hydrocarbons, subterranean and subsea reserve modelling and fluid flows



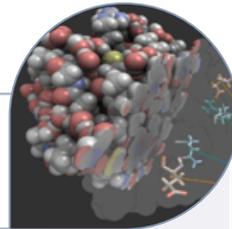
Research on wind farms optimization and wind energy production forecasts



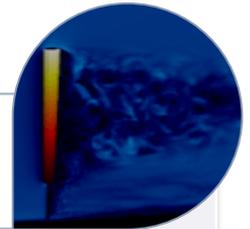
Collaboration agreement for the development of advanced systems of deep learning with applications to banking services



BSC's dust storm forecast system licensed to be used to improve the safety of business flights.



Research on the protein-drug mechanism of action in Nuclear Hormone receptors and developments on PELE method to perform protein energy landscape explorations



Simulation of fluid-structure interaction problem with the multi-physics software Alya

# BSC's spin-offs in brief



**NOSTRUM  
BIODISCOVERY, S.L.**

**Supercomputing to  
speed up drug  
discovery**



**MITIGA  
SOLUTIONS, S.L.**

**Supercomputing  
to minimize the  
impact of  
volcanic ash  
hazards**



**ELEM BIO, S.L.**

**Supercomputing  
for biomechanics  
simulations.**  
Sas simulation tool  
focused on  
cardiovascular and  
respiratory systems



**NEARBYCOMP, S.L.**

**FOG computing  
for IOT.**  
Customization  
services for  
different scenarios



# “MareNostrum” by Macedonia



# Today's menu

- **Let's understand the role of HPC & AI in the current and future European Challenges**
  - Evolution of computing power
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  - Impact on Research (and the role of the BSC)
  - Impact on Industry
- **Let's discuss the role of Europe in the future revolutions**
  - In HPC
  - In AI
  - In Quantum

# Antecedents

2004



2006



2009



Ingrés a PRACE. Cinc Estats són considerats “*Hosting members*”



Espanya

Itàlia

\*Suïssa

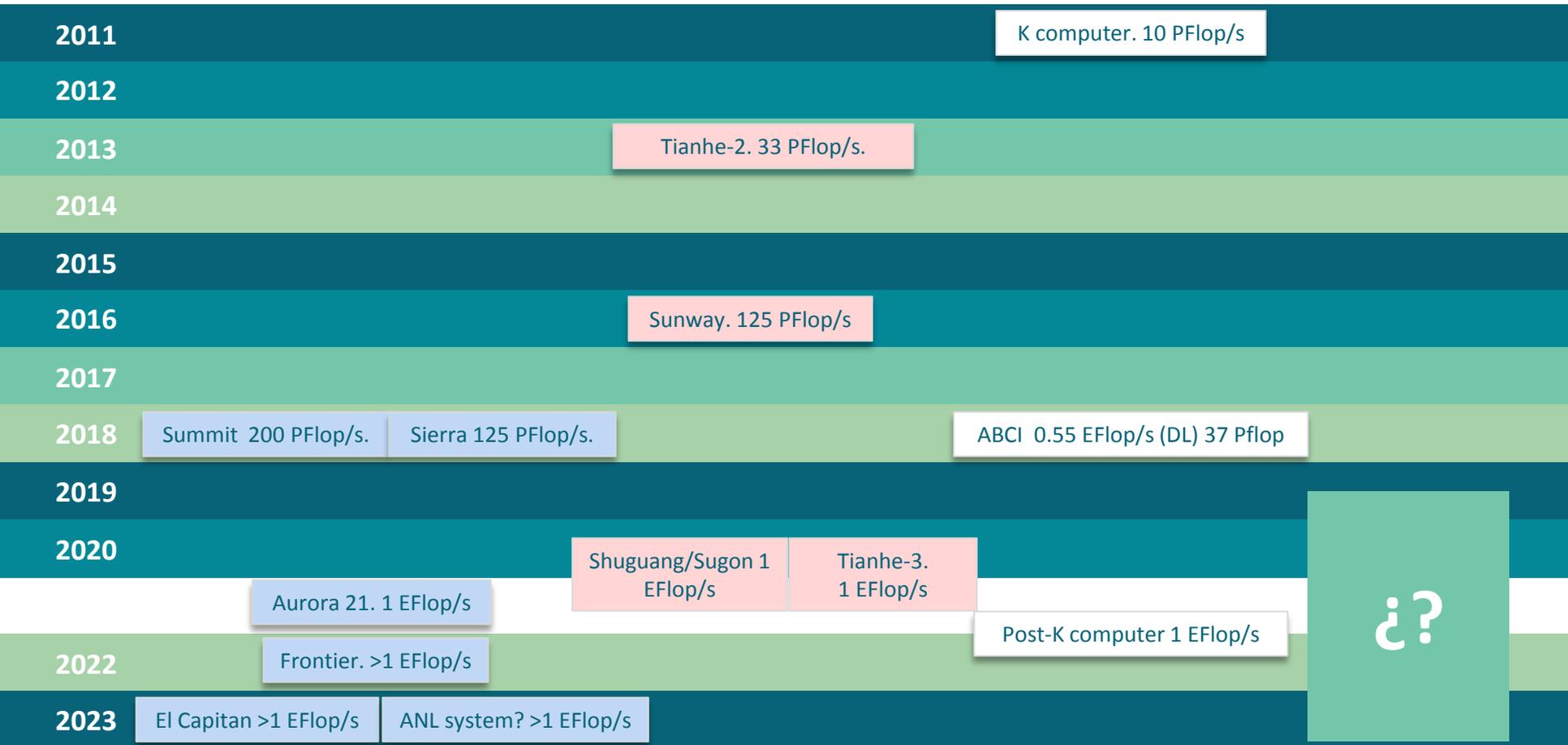
Alemanya

França

2017

Neix la iniciativa **EuroHPC**

# The roadmap to the Exascale ( $10^{18}$ )



# The European HPC puzzles



# EuroHPC: to European HPC technologies



## EuroHPC-Ju members:

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and Turkey



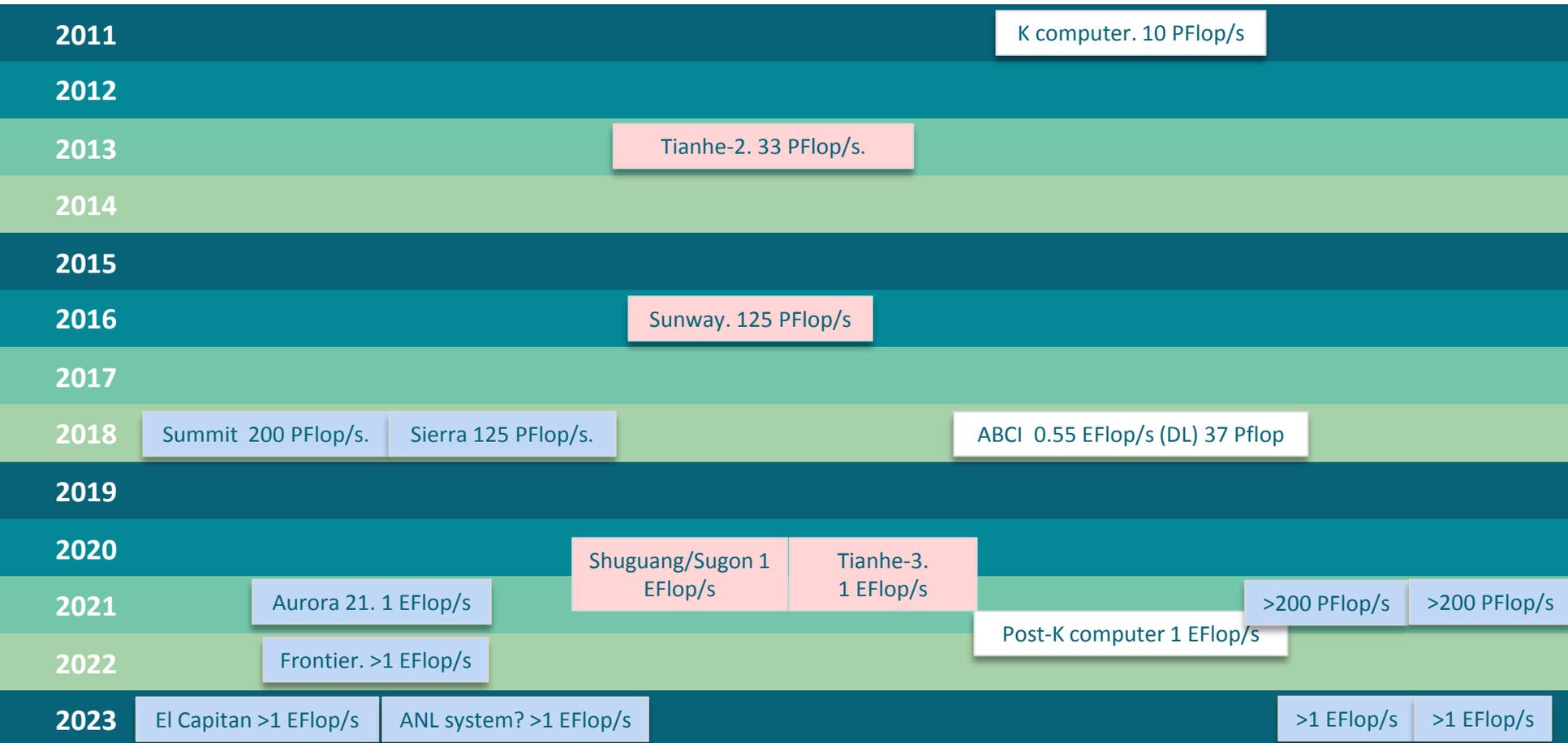
*“A new legal and funding structure – the EuroHPC Joint Undertaking – shall acquire, build and deploy across Europe a world-class High-Performance Computing (HPC) infrastructure.*

*It will also support a research and innovation programme to develop the technologies and machines (hardware) as well as the applications (software) that would run on these supercomputers.”*



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# La hoja de ruta internacional hacia la exaescala



# Suport a la candidatura del BSC

## Patrons BSC-CNS



## Altres Estats adherits a EuoHPC



Rialtas na hÉireann  
Government of Ireland



# Where Europe needs to be stronger

- Only 1 of the 10 most powerful HPC systems is in the EU
- HPC codes must be upgraded
- Vital HPC hardware elements are missing: General Purpose

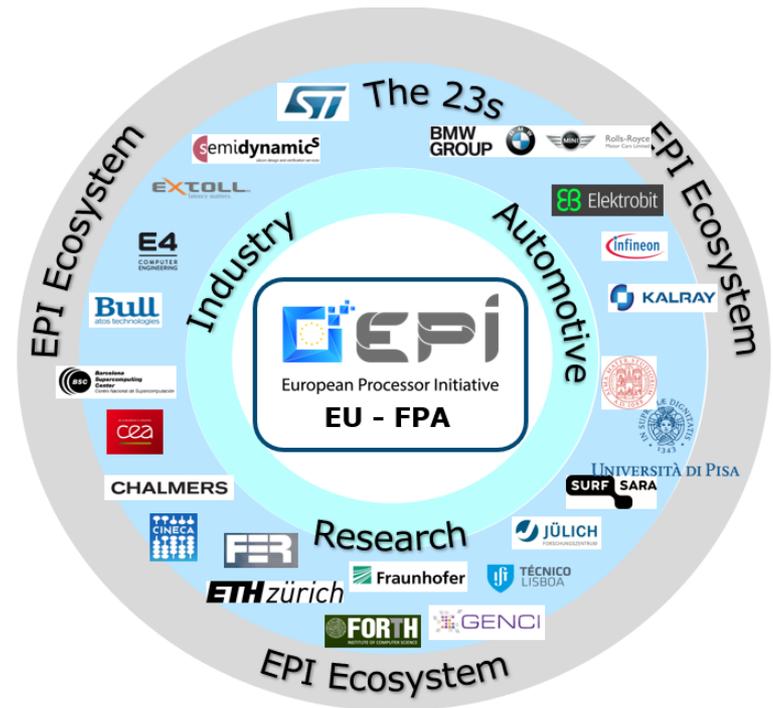


## Processor and Accelerators

EU needs its own source of as many of the system elements as possible

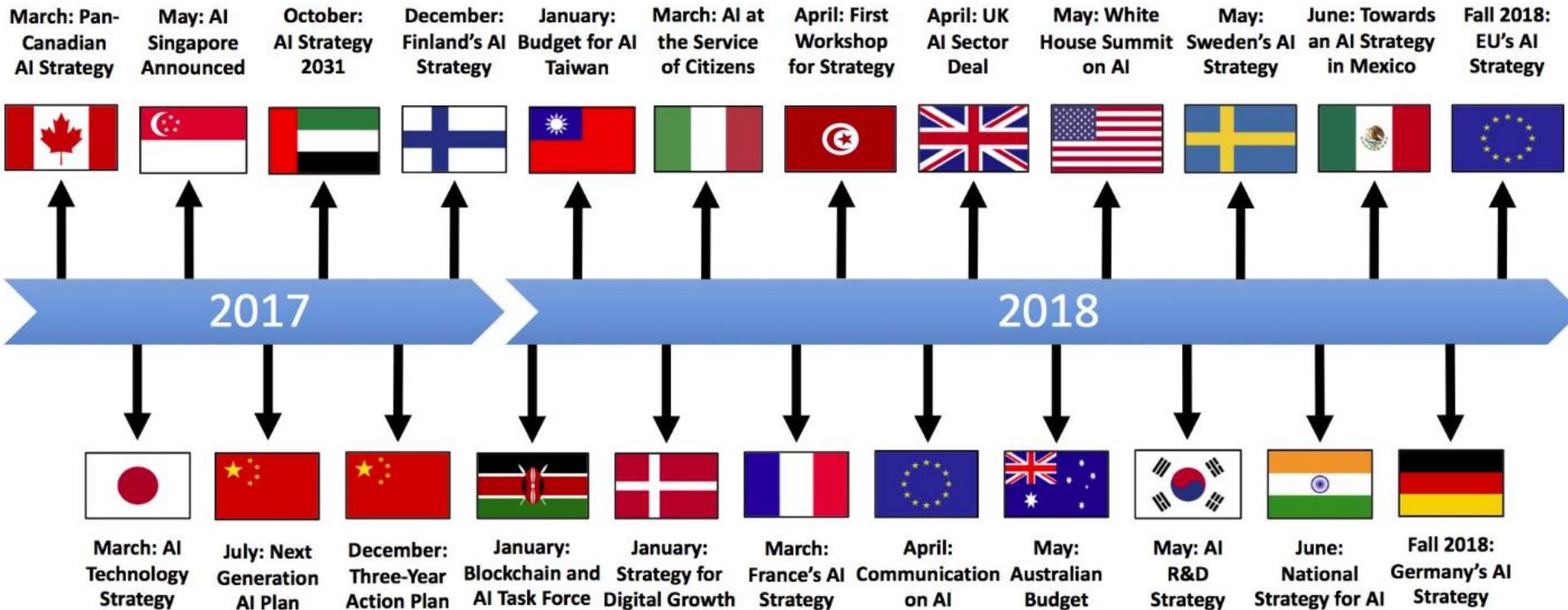
# EuroHPC & EPI (European Processor Initiative)

- High Performance General Purpose Processor for HPC
- High-performance RISC-V based accelerator
- Computing platform for autonomous cars
- Will also target the AI, Big Data and other markets in order to be economically sustainable



Images courtesy of European Processor Initiative

# Some relevant AI national initiatives

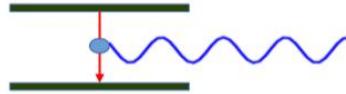


# What about Quantum Computing?

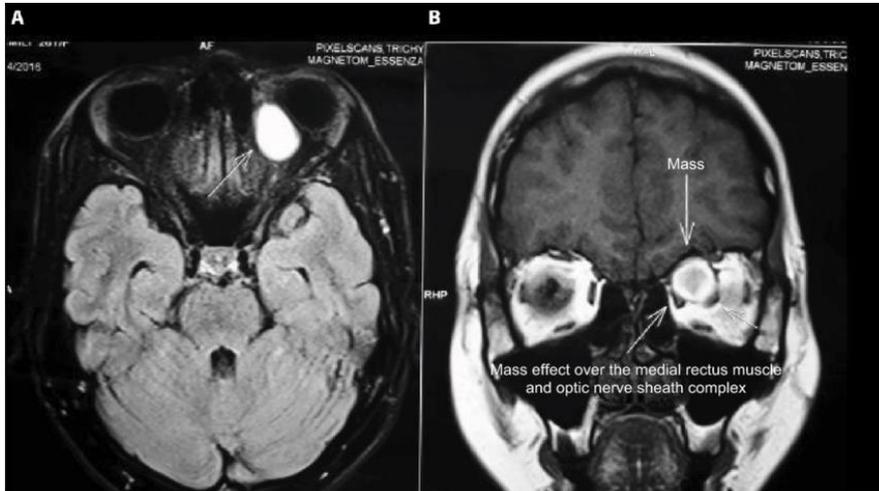
$$|\psi\rangle = \underbrace{|000\rangle}_0 + \underbrace{|010\rangle}_2 + \underbrace{|110\rangle}_6$$

$$\begin{aligned} U_{+1}|\psi\rangle &= U_{+1}|000\rangle + U_{+1}|010\rangle + U_{+1}|110\rangle \\ &= \underbrace{|001\rangle}_1 + \underbrace{|011\rangle}_3 + \underbrace{|111\rangle}_7 \end{aligned}$$

# Quantum things are pretty old...



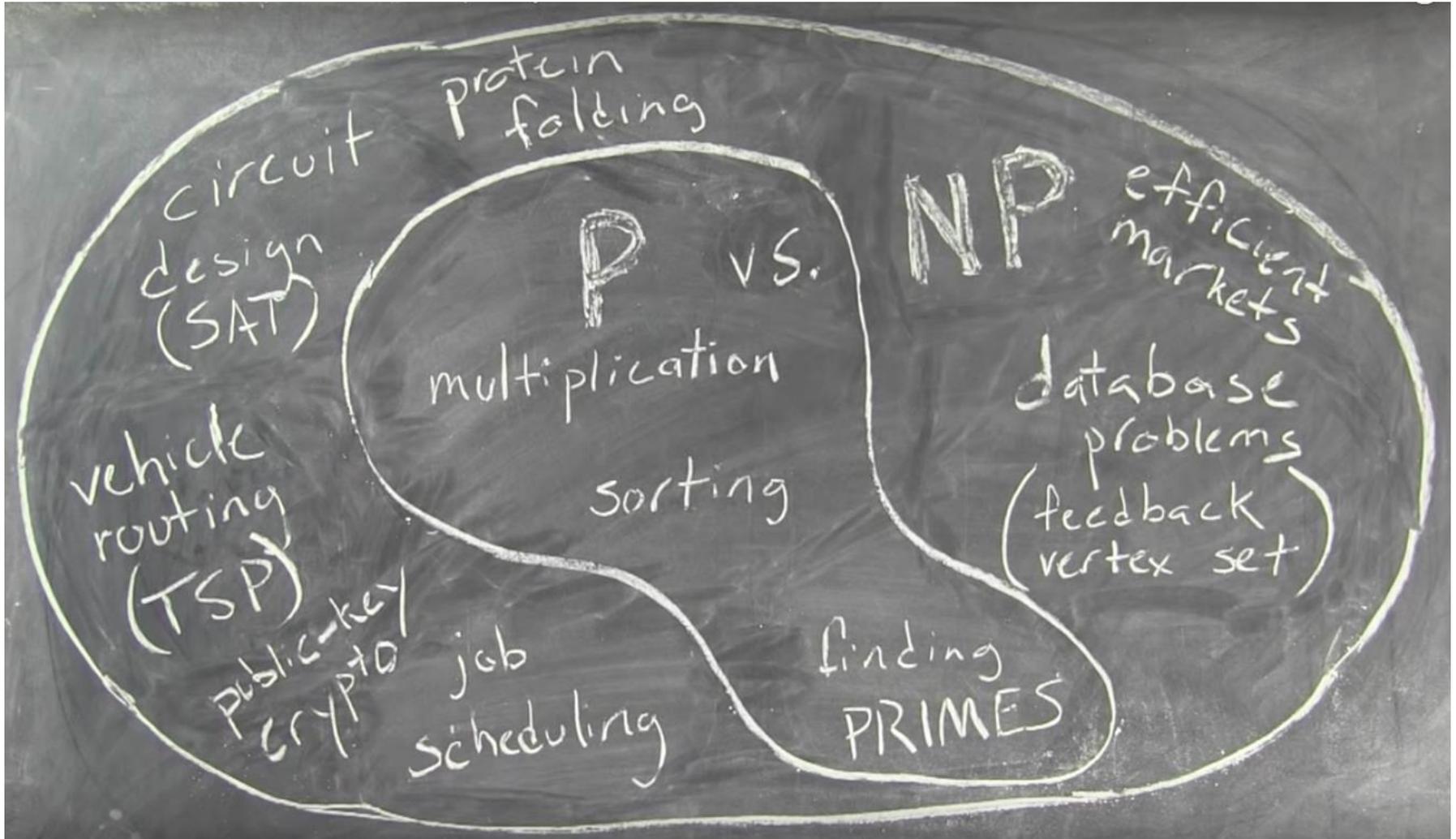
Reloj ultrapreciso, 1 parte en  $10^{13}$



# Why now?

- **Sistemas cuánticos bajo control**
  - niveles atómicos en trampas de iones
  - polarizaciones de fotones
  - gases ultrafríos
  - corrientes superconductoras (DWAVE2)
- **Manipulación**
  - láseres
  - cavidades electromagnéticas
  - bajas temperaturas
- **Decoherencia**
  - control del entorno + algoritmos de corrección

# P and NP problems



# Factorization

Ordenador clásico

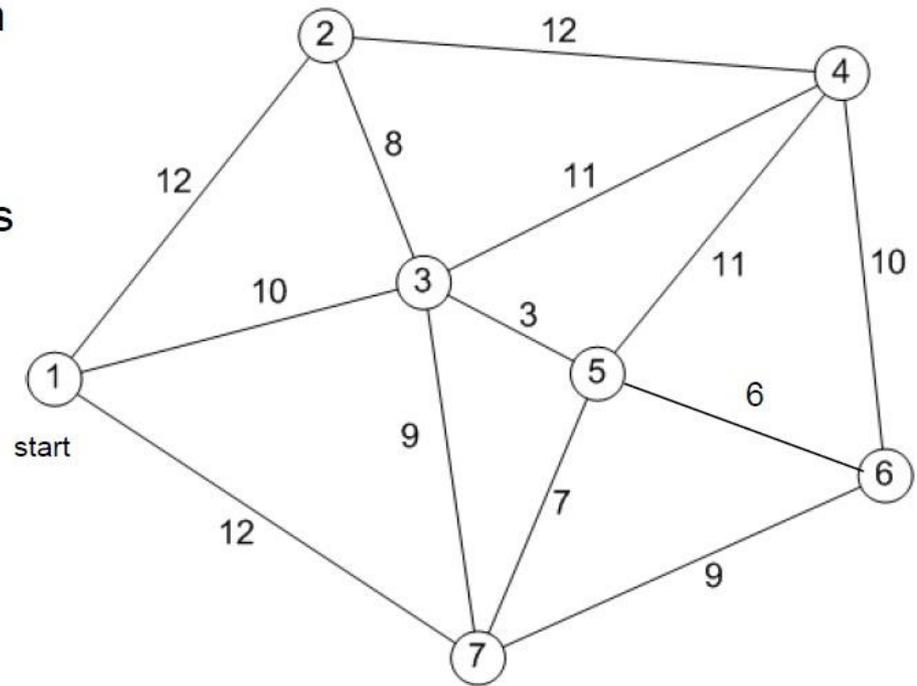
$$e^{ct} n^{1/3} (\log n)^{2/3}$$

Ordenador cuántico

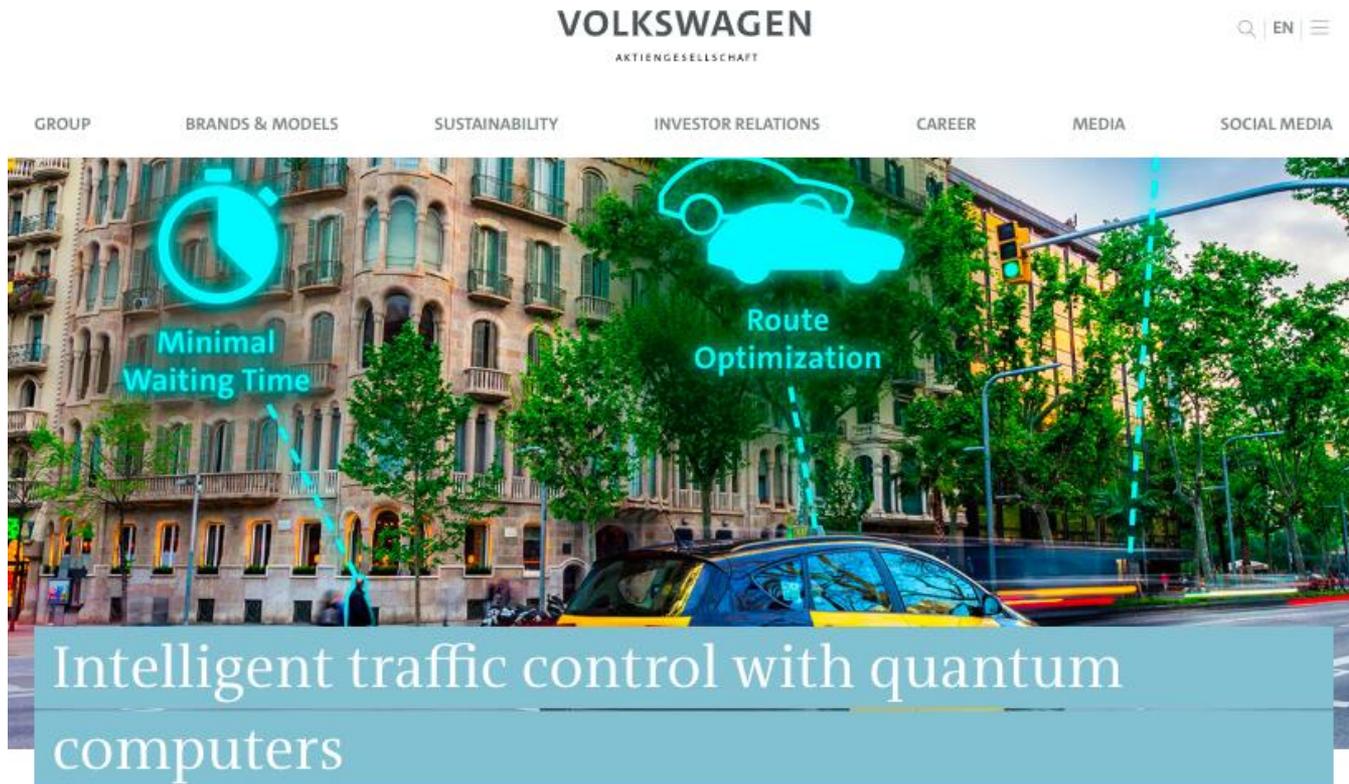
$$n^2 (\log n) (\log (\log n))$$

# The Traveling Salesman Problem

- Starting from city 1, the salesman must travel to all cities once before returning home
- The distance between each city is given, and is assumed to be the same in both directions
- Only the links shown are to be used
- Objective - Minimize the total distance to be travelled



# The Traveling Salesman Problem



The image shows the top portion of the Volkswagen website. At the top center is the "VOLKSWAGEN" logo with "AKTIENGESELLSCHAFT" underneath. To the right is a search icon and "EN" with a menu icon. Below this is a navigation bar with links for "GROUP", "BRANDS & MODELS", "SUSTAINABILITY", "INVESTOR RELATIONS", "CAREER", "MEDIA", and "SOCIAL MEDIA". The main visual is a photograph of a city street with a yellow taxi in the foreground. Overlaid on the image are several glowing blue graphics: a clock icon with the text "Minimal Waiting Time", a car icon with the text "Route Optimization", and dashed lines representing traffic flow or routes.

Minimal Waiting Time

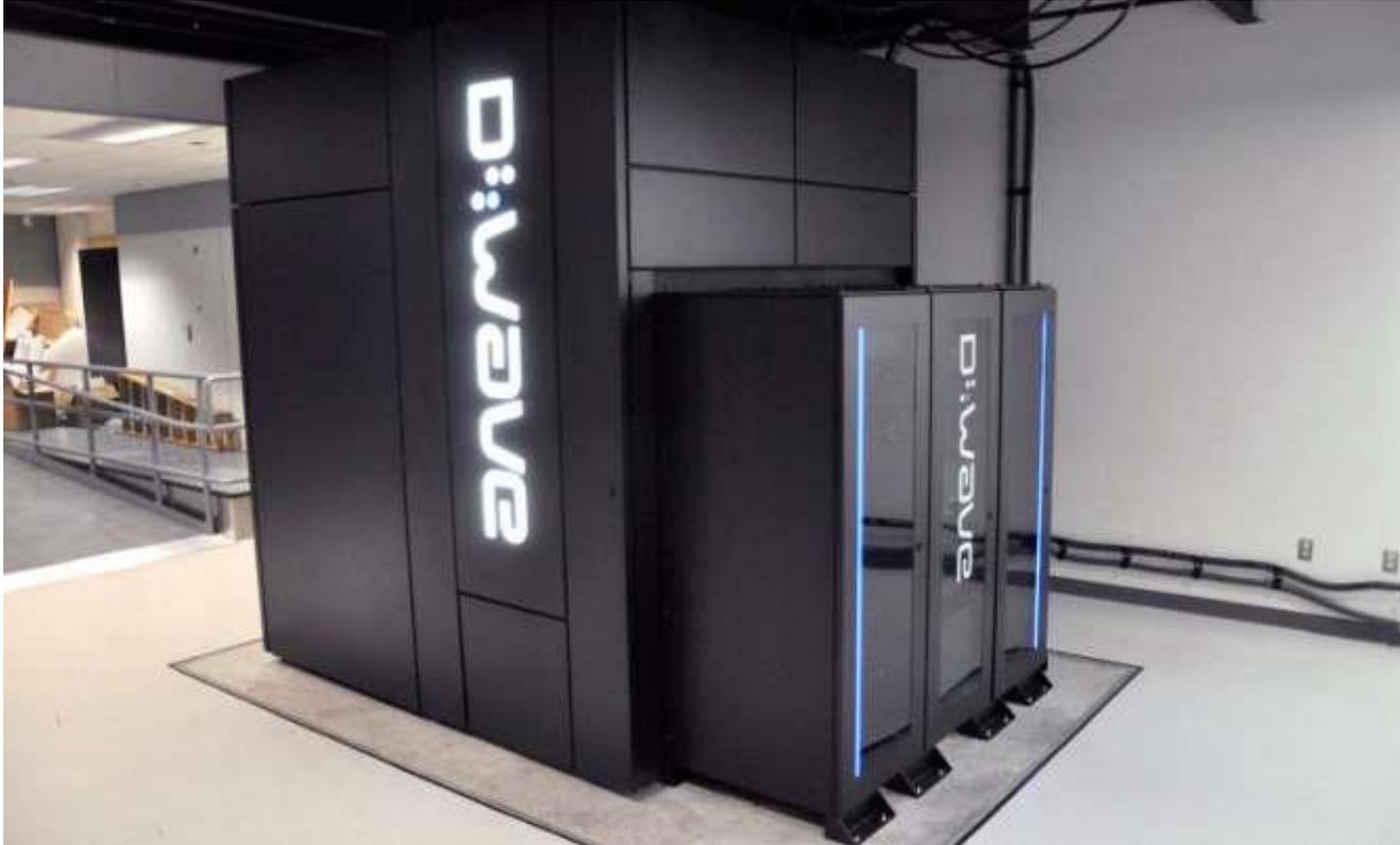
Route Optimization

Intelligent traffic control with quantum computers

*Traffic control is one of the many areas where quantum computers could be used. An innovative project by Volkswagen: Avoiding traffic jams and shortening waiting times using quantum algorithms.*



# Example 1: D-Wave

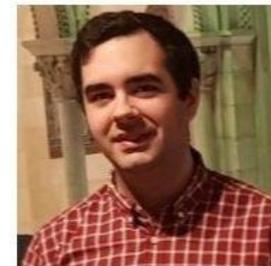
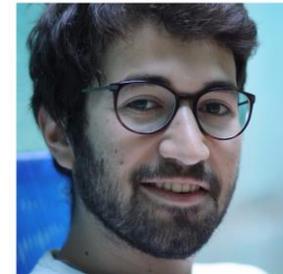


# Example 2: IBM - Q



# Towards a south-European Q processor

- QUANTIC Group launched: <https://quantic.bsc.es>



... and growing!

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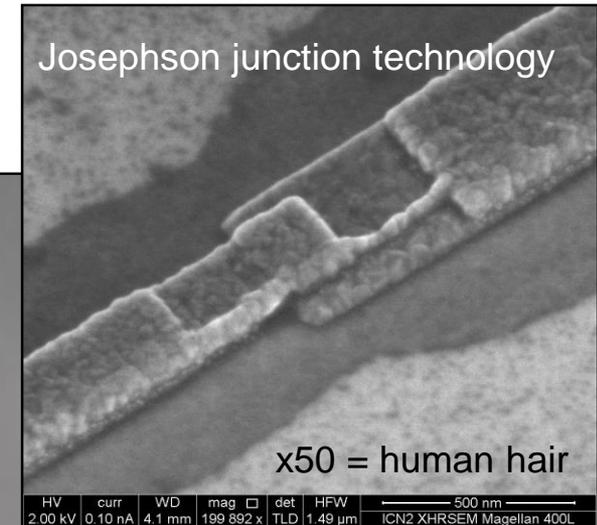
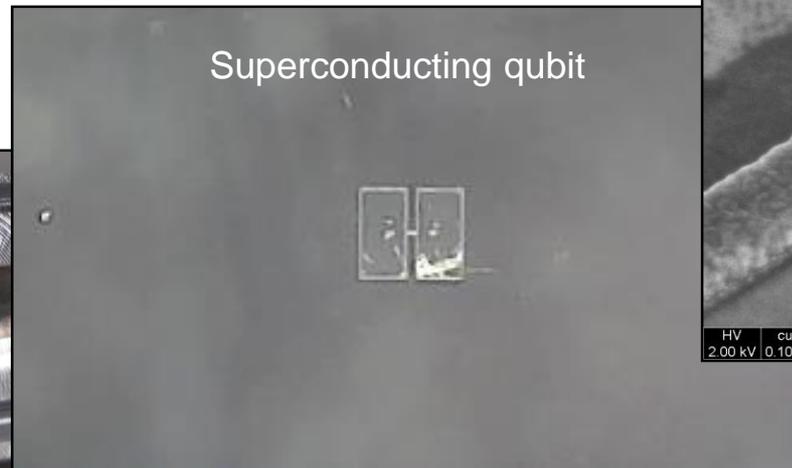
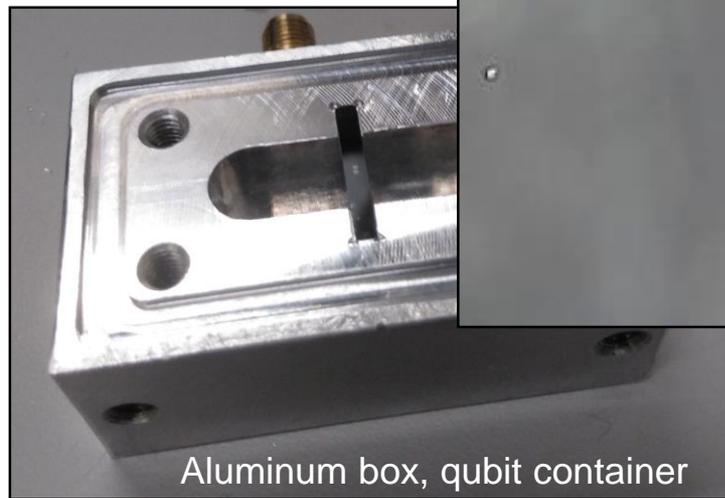
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  - Building hardware: New paradigm at BSC
  - Need a lab (space)



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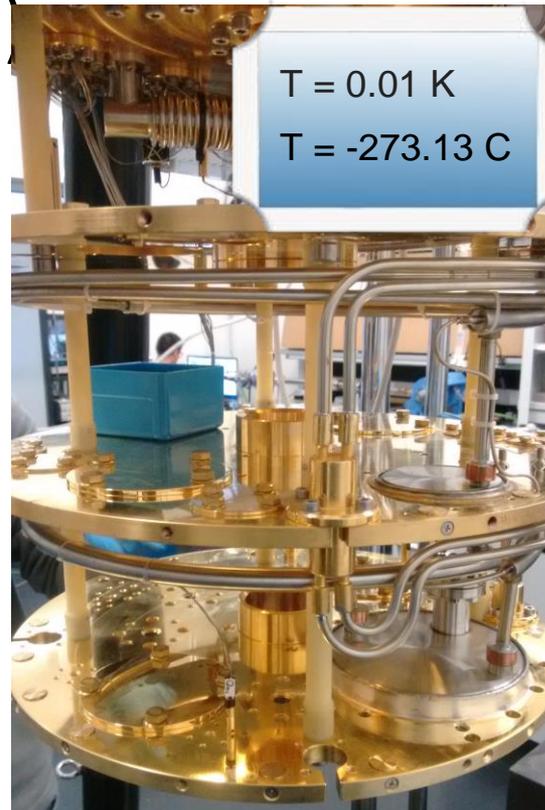
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  - Need quantum devices



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  - Need devices
  - Need equipment



Dilution refrigerator

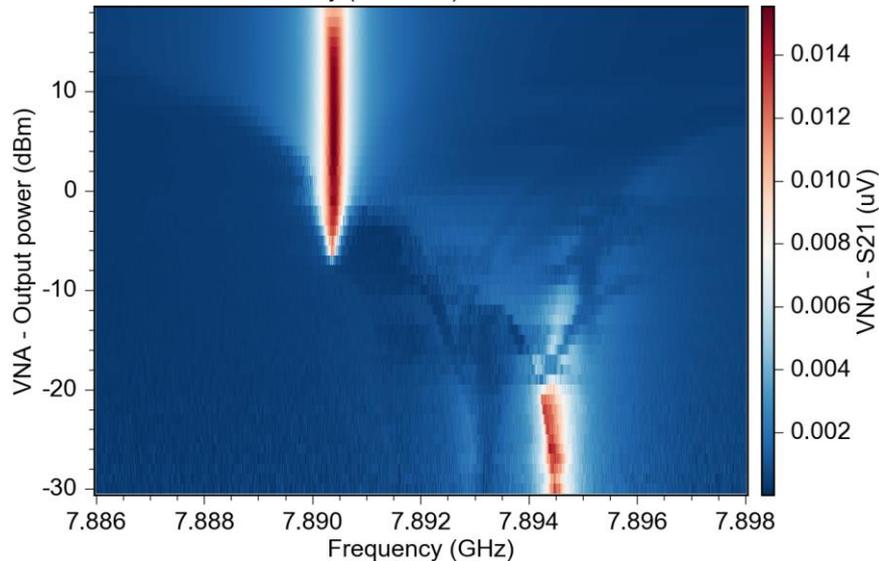


Quantum Control Unit

# Towards a south-European Q processor

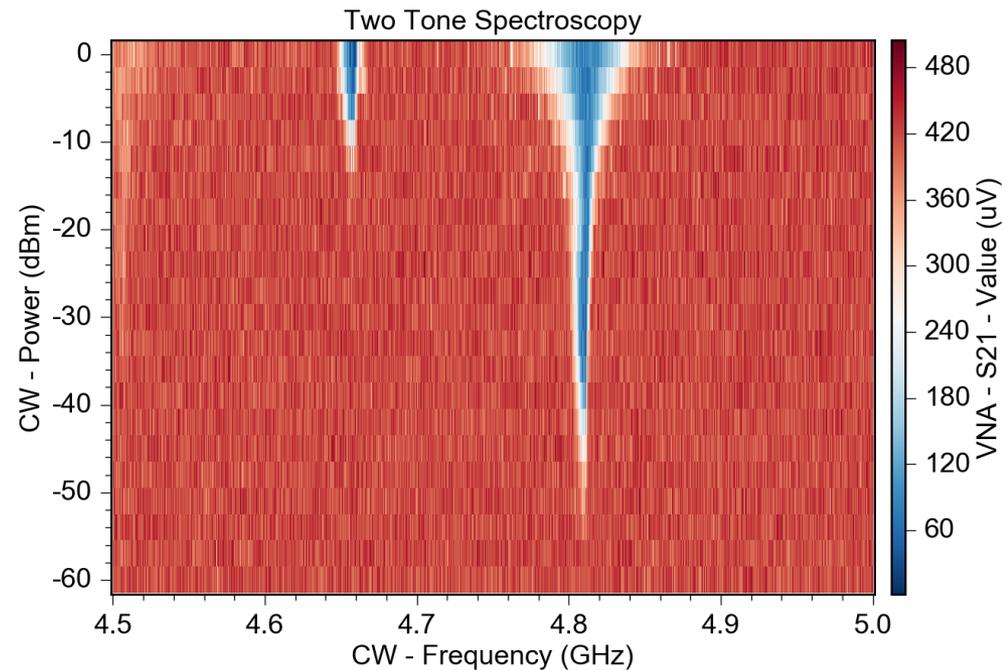
## OUR FIRST 1-QUBIT QUANTUM PROCESSOR

Cavity (7.89GHz) Punchout



Cavity resonance modulated by qubit

Microwave fields excite qubit transitions



First superconducting qubit in the **South of Europe!**

# Geopolitics, again!

- Proprietary Technology
- Applications to
  - Communications, security
  - Mobility, logistics,
  - Pharma
  - Financial forecast

... Very strategic!

# The European future wager

## Quantum Flagship in a nutshell.



01

### 1b €

Quantum Technology will be funded with at least one billion Euro by the European Commission.

02

### 10+ yrs

Flagship's timescale

03

### 5000+

researchers residing in all EU and associated countries involved

04

### 140

Research and Innovation Actions (RIA) proposals submitted in response of the first Quantum Flagship call



# The European long-term vision

The long-term horizon is a “Quantum Web”: Quantum computers, simulators and sensors interconnected via quantum networks distributing information and quantum resources such as coherence and entanglement.

On the corresponding time scale – which is in fact longer than 10 years – the performance increase resulting from Quantum Technologies will yield unprecedented computing power, guarantee data privacy and communication security, and provide ultra-high precision synchronization and measurements for a range of applications available to everyone locally and in the cloud.

# Wrapping-up

- **Let's understand the role of HPC & AI in the current and future European Challenges**
  - Evolution of computing power
  - Evolution of AI technologies
  - Impact on Research (and the role of the BSC)
  - Impact on Industry
- **Let's discuss the role of Europe in the future revolutions**
  - In HPC
  - In AI
  - In Quantum



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# Thank you

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