

# **Enabling Biomolecular Simulations on Peta-Scale Computers**

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***Protein folding: How do proteins fold?***

**Misfolding: Alzheimer's disease, cystic fibrosis, BSE, emphysema, Parkinson's disease, Huntington's disease, cancer and cancer related syndromes**

***Protein design: Predict sequence given structure***

**humanised antibodies, novel enzymes, biosensors**

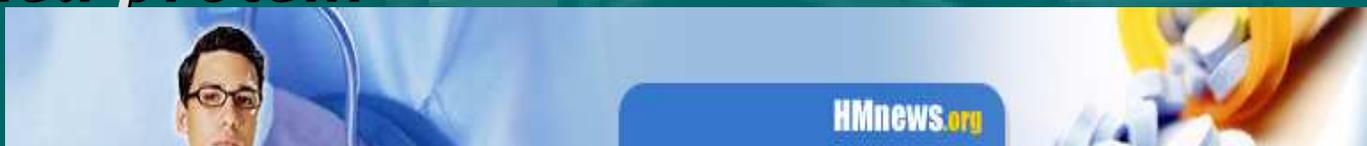
***Ligand binding***

**rational drug design**

***Protein structure prediction: Predict structure given sequence***

**structural genomics, pharmaceutical industry**

***The key to effective cancer treatment is to design drugs that can either stabilise the normally folded structure or disrupt the pathway that leads to a misfolded protein***



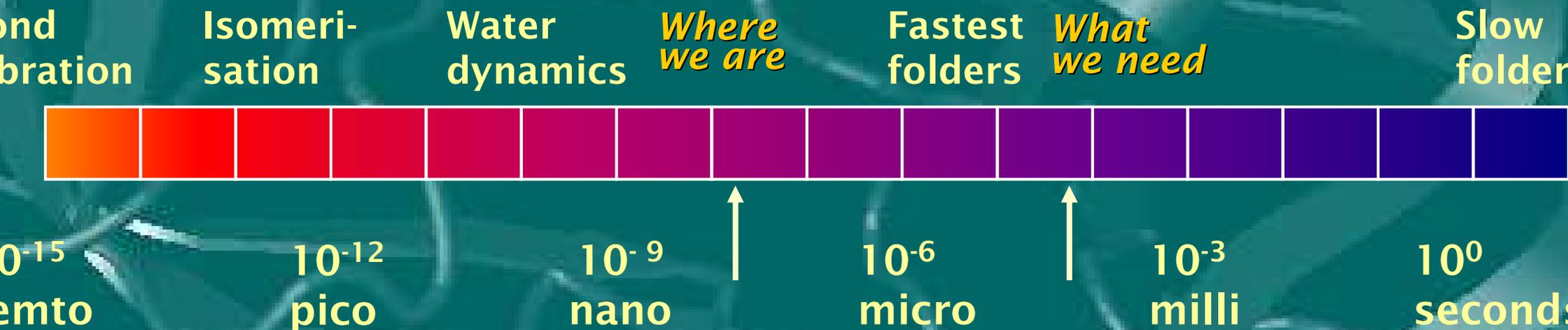
*biological molecules are complex*

*Example:*

each amino acid residue: 3 possible conformations

100-residue protein  $3^{100} = 10^{47}$  configurations

*biological processes are "slow"*



*an extreme case of multi-scale simulation*

fast bond vibrations and slow folding processes in a single

## 's Blue Gene Project

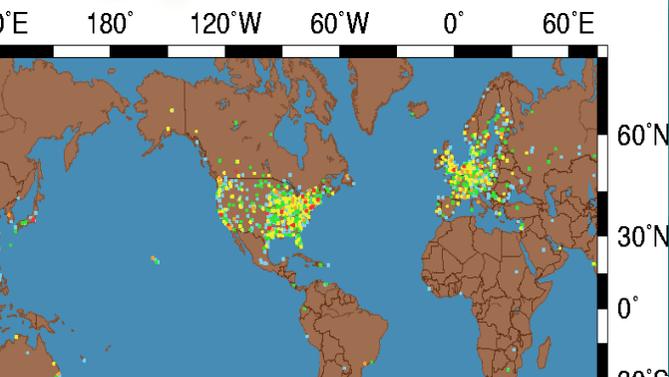
announced in 1999 with goal of building peta-  
s computer to address the grand challenge of  
tein folding

ue Matter: software system to run MD on highly  
parallel machines

- 2004: study of beta-hairpin folding (5239  
atoms)

- Independent short MD runs to simulate

kinetics  
**Folding@home** Distributed  
Computing



**Folding@Home**

- Initiated at Stanford University as a worldwide  
grid computing project

- 2001: the longest ever simulation for 3  
microseconds of beta-hairpin (177 atoms)  
was performed on ~ 5000 CPUs



**challenge in simulations of physical systems:** proper sampling of  
possible conformations over accessible simulation times

Sampling is important for: • Collecting statistics • Finding the global  
minimum

**Efficient sampling** is the greatest **source of inaccuracy** in computational  
chemistry

**Major sampling methods**

**MD**

*Molecular  
Dynamics*

**MC**

*Monte  
Carlo*

**HMC**

*Hybrid  
Monte Carlo*

**Present**

**SHMC**

*Targeted Shadowing Hybrid Monte Carlo*

Developed in Fujitsu Laboratories of Europe in collaboration  
with Prof. S. Reich (University of Potsdam)

E. Akhmatskaya, S. Reich, "The Targeted Shadowing Hybrid Monte Carlo (TSHMC Method)",

# Lucas Berntson TSHMC

TSHMC combines *the best features* of three popular methods: molecular dynamics, Monte Carlo and dissipative particle dynamics (DPD)

$$\text{TSHMC} = \text{MD} + \text{MC} + \text{DPD}$$

TSHMC uses *high-order* approximations to *modified Hamiltonians* to improve sampling

TSHMC provides a *flexible optional momentum update*:

- *complete update*: for sampling only
- *partial update*: to reproduce stochastic Langevin dynamics
- *selective partial update*: for application to mesoscale dynamics simulation

Due to its great flexibility, TSHMC can be *easily combined with* one/several *enhanced sampling methods* (e.g. replica exchange, jump walking, etc.) to escape from energy barriers and sample even wide

# Perform?

**MD**

Fast exploration of  
phase space

**TSHMC**

**HMC**

**MC**

Good control over  
statistical error

**TSHMC**

**HMC**

**MD**

Applicable to  
biomolecules

**TSHMC**

**MC**

Massively parallel  
computation

**HMC**

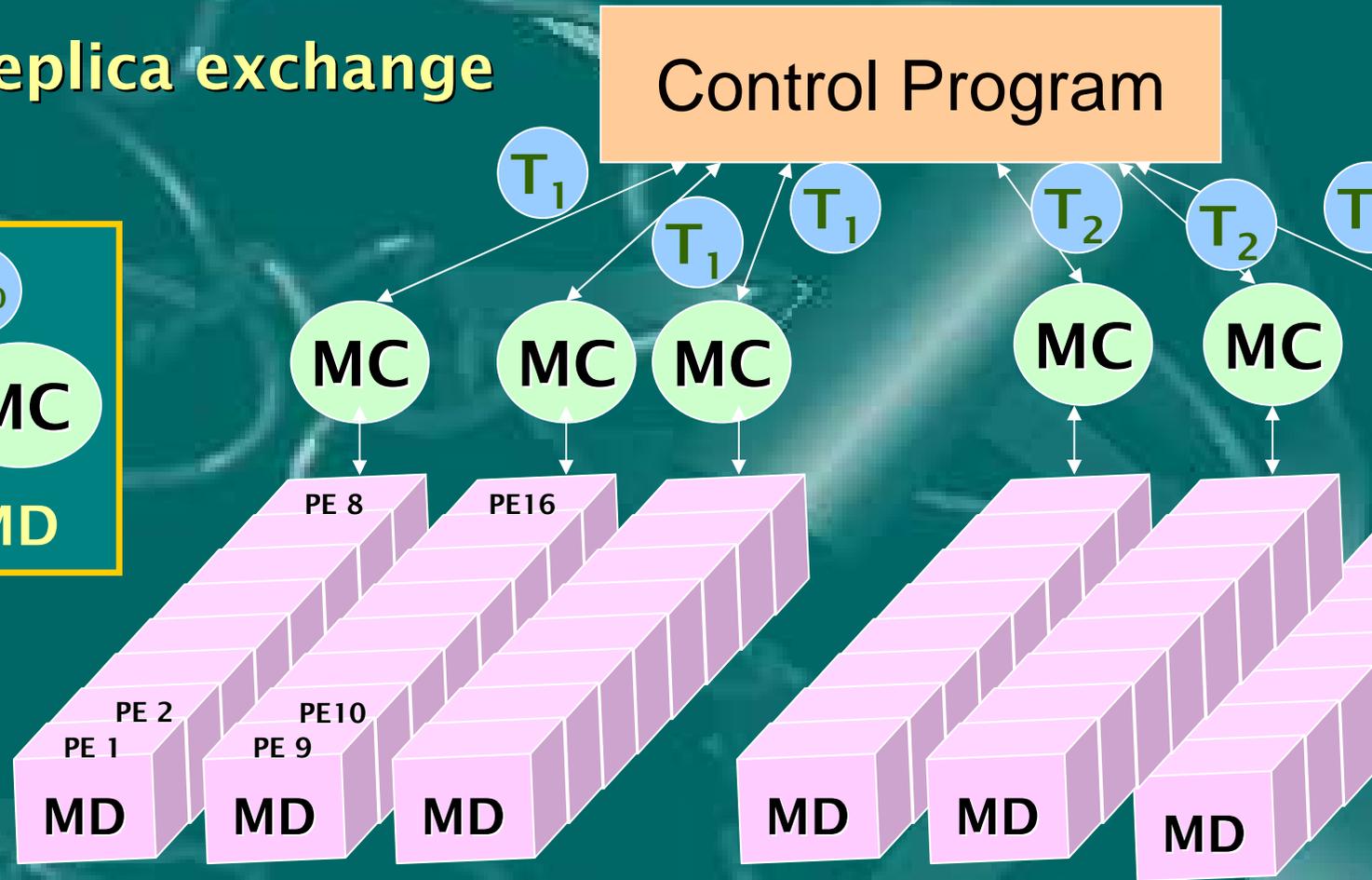
**TSHMC**

# Enhanced Sampling Methods

*ous schemes* for parallelising TSHMC in combination with enhanced sampling methods on massively parallel computers are feasible

*ple:* TSHMC + single replica exchange

temperatures  $T_1 \dots T_{100}$   
Monte Carlo "walks" MC  
MC walk uses parallel MD

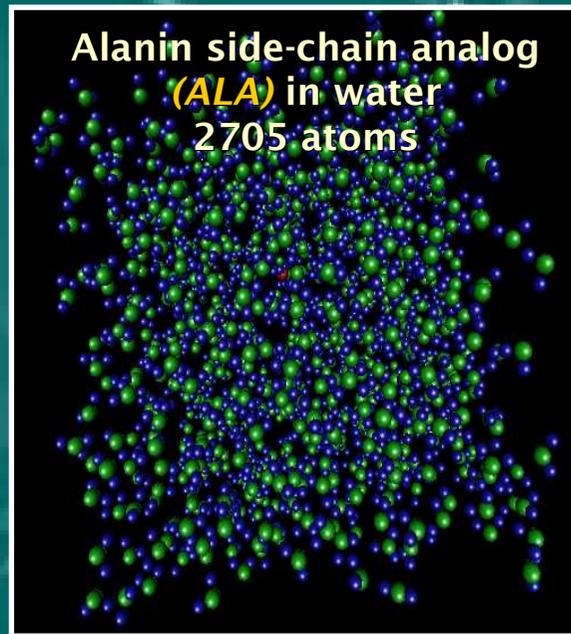
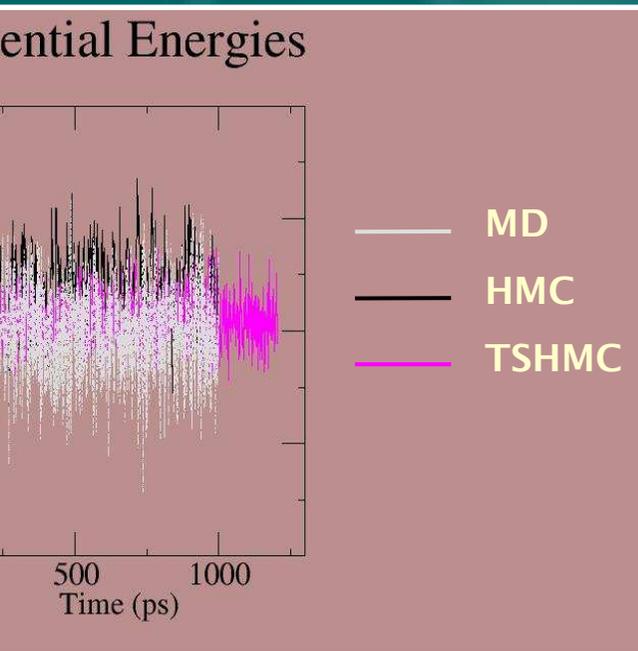


*degree of parallelism*

Minimal communication and synchronisation is required  
Parallelisation strategies are flexible: adjustable to hardware  
Benefits from a large number of processors

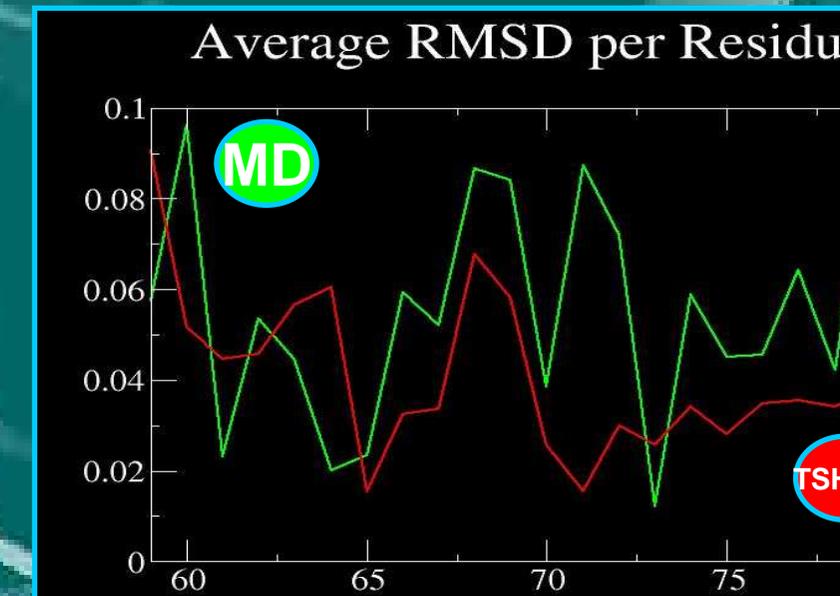
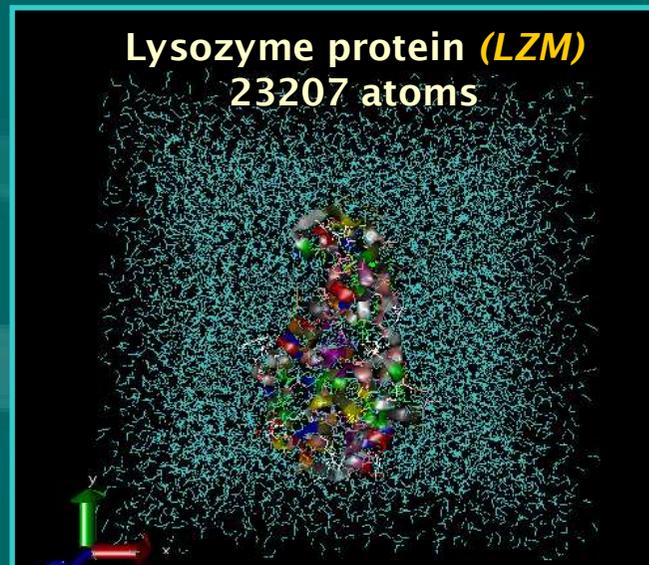
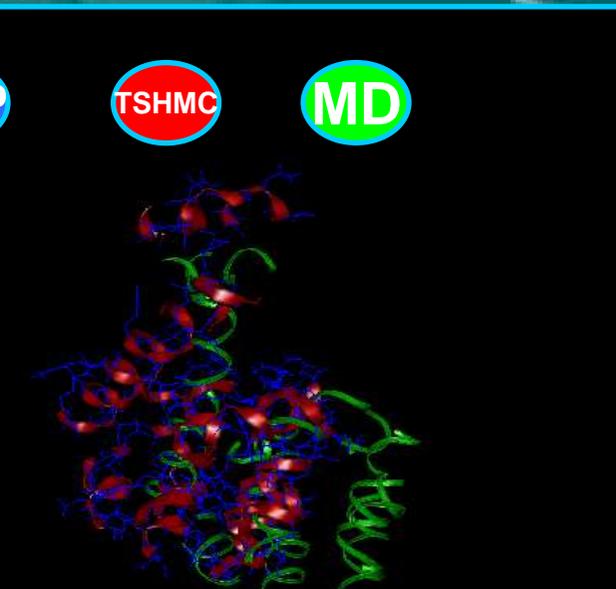
potential energies of ALA predicted by MD, HMC and TSHMC are in good agreement

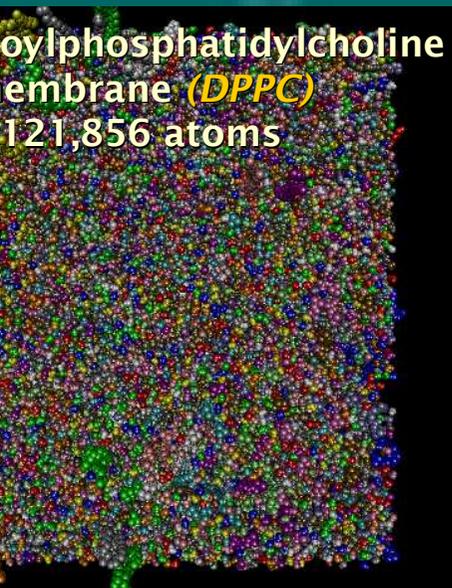
C demonstrates much smoother energy profile due to high-order energy conservation



	MD	HMC	TSHMC
Solvation energy, kcal/mol	1.62	1.60	1.67

Structural properties of LZM from TSHMC are in better agreement with experiment than MD

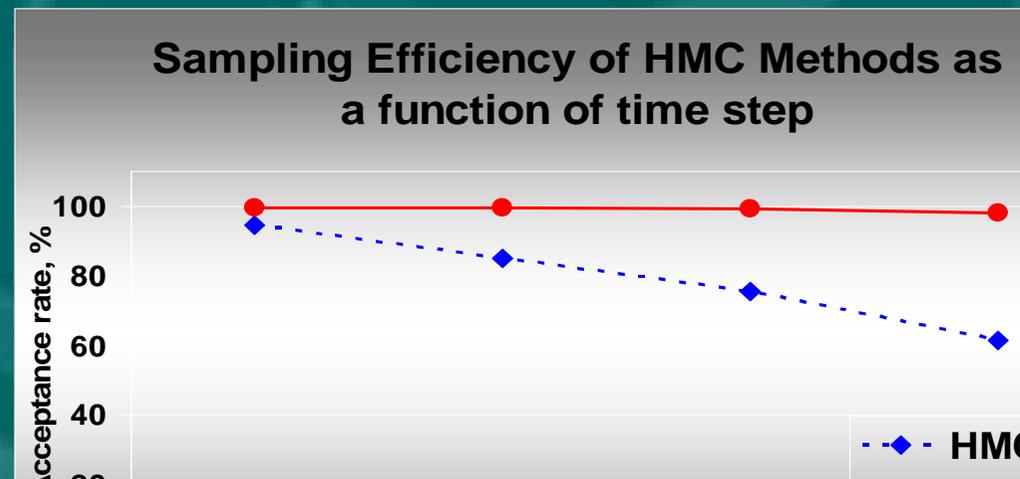
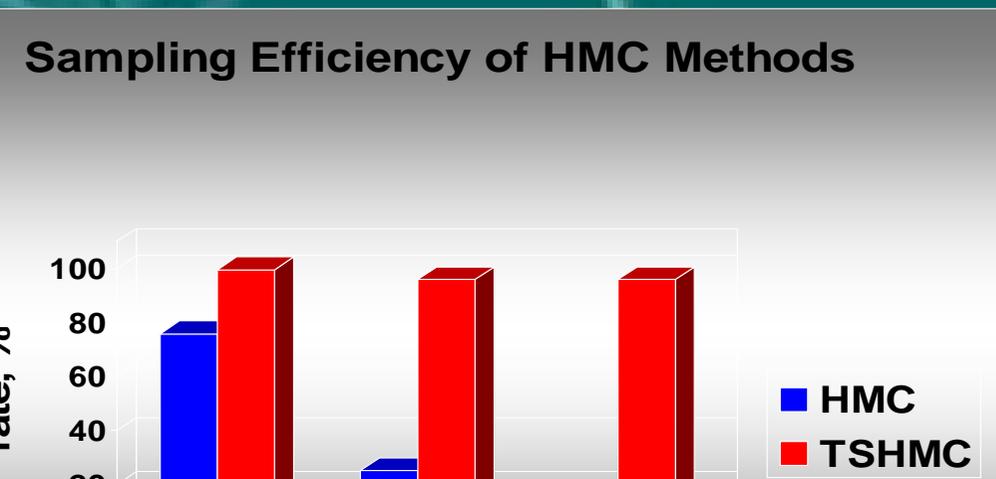




Comparison of *integrated autocorrelation functions for D*
  
 simulation produced by MD, HMC and TSHMC shows that
   
*TSHMC is at least ~5 times more efficient than MD* and
   
 times more efficient than HMC in terms of generating
   
 independent samples

HMC demonstrates *stable high*
  
*sampling efficiency* for all simulated
   
 systems
   
 Compared with HMC, *TSHMC increases*
  
*the number of sampled configurations*
  
 a factor of up to 40

*Sampling efficiency of TSHMC is high*
  
*even for large time steps* whereas
   
 efficiency of HMC decreases quickly
   
 with increasing time step



# Conclusions

We propose a new simulation methodology based on a hybrid of Monte Carlo, molecular dynamics and dissipative particle dynamics and called Targeted Shadowing Hybrid Monte Carlo (TSHMC)

TSHMC offers a rigorous, flexible and efficient approach to conformational sampling in biomolecular simulation

TSHMC is extremely well suited to massively parallel computation and can be run efficiently on next generation peta-scale computers