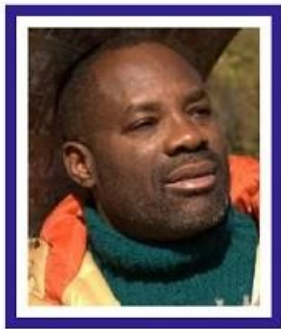


## 44 How I Solved the Toughest Problem in Calculus—Part 2 of 15



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### 44.1 They Called Me 'Calculus'

## 44.1.1 Toughest Problem in Calculus

I'm **Philip Emeagwali**.

Back in 1989, I was the cover stories of top mathematics publications.

I was cover stories because

I **invented**

how to solve the **toughest problems**

that arose in calculus, algebra,

and physics

and how to solve them

by parallel processing them

**across** a **new internet**

that is a **new supercomputer**

and a **new** global network of

65,536 commodity processors.

Historically, the speed of solving

the **toughest problems**

arising in calculus, algebra, and physics,

is the **singular yardstick** for measuring contributions to the development of the computer. The reason is that the massively parallel processing supercomputer is not only about satisfying curiosity or about doing well. The modern supercomputer is about doing good, too. I define the supercomputer as a calculating machine that can be programmed to solve the **toughest problems** that are listed as the 20 **grand challenges** in science and engineering, and, specifically, to solve those problems 65,536, or more times,

faster than the computer.

## 44.2 The New Way of Doing Mathematics

**I'm different** from  
one million modern mathematicians.

**I'm different** because

I perform my arithmetical computations  
in parallel,  
or multiply 65,536  
pairs of numbers  
at once.

**I'm different** because

modern mathematicians  
perform their arithmetical computations  
and do so in sequence,  
or multiply two numbers at a time.

**I'm different** from the pure mathematician  
that uses the blackboard  
as his mathematical canvas.

**I'm different** because

I'm an extreme-scale  
computational mathematician  
who **abandoned** his blackboard  
and **embraced** a **new internet**  
that he invented  
as a new global network of  
64 binary thousand motherboards  
and **embraced** those motherboards  
as his mathematical canvases.

**I'm different** from the  
applied mathematician  
that applies a real world  
mathematical problem  
—such as a general circulation model  
for global warming—  
and applied it  
as his backdrop.

**I'm different** because

I applied both the mathematics  
and the problem

as the backdrops  
to the new internet  
that I invented  
as a new global network of  
64 binary thousand  
processors.

### **I'm different**

from the computational mathematician  
that only uses one motherboard  
as his mathematical canvas.

### **I'm different because**

I used a new internet  
that is not a computer *per se*  
and used that internet  
as my mathematical canvas.

### **I'm different because**

I was the only research mathematician  
that was profiled in the book titled:

“[History of the Internet.](#)”

Please allow me to quote  
from the book

“History of the Internet.”

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[quote]

In 1989 mathematician Philip Emeagwali shocked the supercomputer industry by performing the world's fastest computation—3.1 billion calculations per second—using the power of Internet. The results, as computer scientist Marsha Lakes put it, were “phenomenal . . . three times faster than a supercomputer.”

[unquote]

My contribution to mathematics  
is this:

I changed the way  
we do computational mathematics.

In the old way,  
we computed on only one isolated  
processor  
that was not a member  
of an ensemble of processors,

or within only one isolated computer that was not a member of an **ensemble** of computers.

In my new way, the **Philip Emeagwali way**, I computed **across** millions of commonly available **processors** that shared nothing with each other, or **across** millions of computers.

## 44.2.1 Contribution of Philip Emeagwali to Calculus

I am an extreme-scale computational mathematician that conducted his decade-long supercomputer experiments alone.

I did my high-performance supercomputing **across** a **new internet** that I invented as a new global network of 65,536 **processors**



that were already available in the market  
and that is a small copy  
of the Internet.

I used my new internet  
to **experimentally confirm** that  
65,536 days, or 180 years,  
of **time-to-solution**  
can be compressed to only one day  
of **time-to-solution**  
and compressed **across** a new internet  
that is a new global network of  
65,536 tightly-coupled processors  
that shared nothing with each other.

**I—Philip Emeagwali—**  
was the lone wolf  
research supercomputer scientist  
in Los Alamos, New Mexico, **United States**,  
in the then **uncharted territory**  
of the massively parallel processing  
supercomputer.

I was in **major newspapers**,

such as the June 20, 1990 issue  
of the *Wall Street Journal*,  
because I **invented**  
how to parallel process  
and **invented**  
the massively parallel processing  
supercomputer  
and invented the technology **across**  
65,536 tightly-coupled processors  
**that shared nothing with each other.**  
**I invented**  
the massively parallel processing  
supercomputer  
and I **invented** the technology  
when everybody else said that  
parallel processing, or computing  
65,536 things at once,  
will forever remain  
**a huge waste of everybody's time.**

## 44.2.2 Rejections of my Discoveries

In the 1970s and '80s, my quest was for how to **harness the power** of the massively parallel processing supercomputer.

My goal was to **harness that power** and use it to solve the **toughest problems** arising in computational physics, modern calculus, and extreme-scale algebra. On the Fourth of July 1989,

I **invented**

how to **harness that massively parallel processing power** and how to use it to perform the fastest computations and how to use that unheard of speed to solve the most computation-intensive problems arising in supercomputing.

My supercomputer research on how to harness the power of 64 binary thousand tightly-coupled processors that were already available in the market

was **ridiculed** and **rejected** as a **huge waste of everybody's time**.

In the 1970s,

I was **humiliated**

by sequential processing supercomputer research teams.

In the 1980s,

I was **humiliated**

by vector processing supercomputer research teams.

I was **humiliated**

because I advocated

that the massively parallel processing supercomputer

will become the fastest computer

in the world.

I was **dismissed** from supercomputer research teams because I preached that the modern supercomputer should do many things in **parallel**, or **at once**.

The reason cited for the **rejection** of my massively parallel processing supercomputer research was akin to that given in an article in the June 14, 1976 issue of the *ComputerWorld*.

The *ComputerWorld* was the flagship publication of the computer world.

That *ComputerWorld* article was titled:

[**quote**]

**“Research in Parallel Processing Questioned**

as “Waste of Time.””

[unquote]

## 44.2.3 Sixteen Years to Make the Impossible Possible

In the 1970s and ‘80s,  
the leaders of thought  
in the world of supercomputers  
dismissed parallel processing  
as a beautiful theory  
that lacked an experimental confirmation.  
The reason my invention  
of the massively parallel processing  
supercomputer  
made the news headlines  
in 1989  
was because the supercomputer textbook  
of 1989 and earlier  
wrote that it will be impossible  
to parallel process  
the toughest problems.

That is, it was **impossible** in the 1980s to massively parallel process extreme-scale global climate models. Global climate models must be **executed** at the fastest supercomputer speeds and must be **executed** to more accurately **foresee** future global climate changes. In the 1980s, it was **impossible** to **execute** global climate models and to execute them **across** as much as an ensemble of **eight** co-operating processors. That limit of **eight** processors and **eight-fold** speedup was described in supercomputer textbooks, of the 1980s and earlier, as **Amdahl's Law limit**. On the Fourth of July 1989, I **invented** how to solve the **toughest problems**

arising in extreme-scale computational physics—such as **excruciatingly detailed**, larger, higher-fidelity petroleum reservoir simulation. I **invented** how to solve such computation-intensive problems and how to solve them for their highest resolutions and how to solve them **in parallel** and how to solve them **across** a **new internet** that is a **new** global network of two-raised-to-power-sixteen, or 64 binary thousand **tightly-coupled**, processors that were already available in the market **and that shared nothing with each other** and that is a **new supercomputer** and that is a **new computer**. In the world of the supercomputer,



to discover or invent a new supercomputer  
that is a new computer  
is to show that  
the **impossible-to-compute** is,  
in fact, **possible-to-compute**.

I—**Philip Emeagwali**—was in the news  
back in 1989  
and in the June 20, 1990 issue  
of the *Wall Street Journal*.

My **experimental discovery**  
of a **new supercomputer**  
was in major U.S. newspapers  
because I did the **impossible**  
and did it on a **never-before-seen**  
supercomputer machinery.

At the frontier of supercomputer knowledge,  
50 percent of what is considered **impossible**  
is, in fact, **possible**.

With the passage of time,  
the **impossible** can become **possible**  
and become **possible**

as our body of scientific knowledge grows  
and become **possible**  
as our body of technological knowledge  
grows.

The other 50 percent  
of what is considered **impossible**  
will forever remain **impossible**.

That 50 percent  
will forever remain **impossible**  
because it **violates**  
the laws of physics,  
and **violates** them  
in the manner the **perpetual motion machine**  
**violates** the first law of **thermodynamics**  
called the law of **conservation of energy**.  
Often, it takes **extraordinary diligence**,  
intellect, **knowledge**,  
and a **never-before-seen machinery**  
to show that  
the **impossible** is, in fact, **possible**.  
It took me fifteen years,

onward of June 20, 1974,  
to **invent**  
how to massively parallel process  
and how to process **across**  
a **new internet**  
that is a **new** global network of  
64 binary thousand  
tightly-coupled processors  
that shared nothing with each other,  
or how to process **across**  
as many tiny computers.  
For the sixteen years  
onward of June 20, 1974  
and from the Computer Center  
at 1800 SW Campus Way,  
Corvallis, Oregon, **United States**,  
I programmed supercomputers  
and I did so continuously and almost daily.  
**I programmed** supercomputers  
that were powered by  
only one **isolated processor**

that was not a member  
of an **ensemble** of processors.

**I programmed** supercomputers  
that were powered  
by up to 65,536 **processors**.

**I programmed** supercomputers  
as a lone wolf supercomputer scientist  
in the then **uncharted territory**  
of the massively parallel processing  
supercomputer.

At 8:15 on the morning  
in Los Alamos, New Mexico, **United States**,

**I invented**  
the massively parallel processing  
supercomputer.

**I invented** that technology **across**  
a **new internet**

that **I invented** as my new global network of  
two-raised-to-power sixteen  
tightly-coupled processors  
**that shared nothing with each other.**

## 44.2.4 The Myth About Math Geniuses

It's a myth that only **brilliance** is required to become a supercomputer genius that invented a **never-before-seen** supercomputer.

Talent is a necessary condition but is not a sufficient condition for solving the **toughest problems** arising in modern calculus and in extreme-scale computational physics.

It is my twenty years of diligence in acquiring the multidisciplinary knowledge that spanned mathematics, physics, and computing that made me the supercomputer scientist that I am today.

In the 1980s,  
there were 25,000 **brilliant**  
vector processing supercomputer scientists  
in the world  
that were led by **Seymour Cray**.

Yet, **only one** supercomputer scientist  
had the **courage**, the **confidence**  
and the scientific  
and technological **knowledge**  
that was needed  
to massively parallel program **alone**  
and that was needed  
to parallel process **across**  
a **new internet**  
that is a **new supercomputer**  
that is a **new** global network of  
65,536 processors.

I—**Philip Emeagwali**—was the **only**  
supercomputer scientist  
that had the **courage**, the **confidence**  
and the **knowledge**

that was needed to **harness**  
the parallel processing  
supercomputer power  
that was **hidden**  
inside the one and the only  
most massively parallel processing  
supercomputer in the world  
that was **ever built**.

Only one such supercomputer  
**was built**.

And that **new** supercomputer  
only allowed  
only one fulltime programmer  
**at a time**.

That **one-of-a-kind** supercomputer  
was powered by  
65,536 tightly-coupled processors  
**that shared nothing with each other**  
and that I visualized as  
metaphorically located  
at the 65,536 vertices

of the hypercube  
in my imaginary  
sixteen dimensional universe.  
I visualized those vertices  
as equal distances **apart**  
and on the fifteen dimensional hypersurface  
of the hypersphere  
that **tightly circumscribed**  
that hypercube in hyperspace.  
Inside the supercomputer room  
are the cabinets,  
**inside the cabinets**  
**are the racks,**  
inside the racks  
are the boards,  
**and on the boards**  
**are the chips.**

**I—Philip Emeagwali—**  
was the massively parallel processing  
supercomputer scientist  
that was the **lone voice**



in the wilderness  
of the then unknown world  
of parallel processing supercomputing.  
In my vision  
and as the primal programmer  
of a primordial internet,  
I saw those processors  
as 65,536  
equidistant search lights  
around a global sky.  
I saw those search lights  
as three thousand square miles apart.  
I saw those search lights  
pointing towards  
the darkest corners  
of human understanding  
of global warming  
and global issues.  
I was that lone wolf  
supercomputer scientist  
and the only fulltime programmer

that could and did program  
that massively parallel processing  
supercomputer.

I made headlines in major U.S. newspapers  
because I **invented**

how to **harness** the supercomputer power  
of two-raised-to-power-sixteen  
processors

that were already available  
in the market anyway.

Or how to **harness** as many  
identical computers  
and **harness** them

to execute the most computation-intensive  
floating-point arithmetical operations  
that arises in computational physics.

**Those arithmetical operations**

arose from solving the most large-scale  
system of equations  
arising in algebra.

**Those algebraic problems**

approximated  
the initial-boundary value problems  
arising in calculus and physics.

Those initial-boundary value problems  
encoded the laws of physics  
that were at the granite core  
of the branch of physics  
that is called  
computational fluid dynamics.

I invented  
how to **harness** the total processing power  
of millions upon millions  
of tightly-coupled processors  
that shared nothing with each other  
and how to **harness** them  
to solve the **toughest problems**  
arising in physics, calculus, and algebra.  
And after sixteen years  
as a lone wolf supercomputer programmer,  
the news media discovered me  
as the African Supercomputer Wizard

in the United States.  
So it was a myth  
that I was the new kid  
in the **uncharted territory**  
of massively parallel processing,  
the critical technology  
that is the core essence  
of the modern supercomputer.

## 44.3 How I Invented Philip Emeagwali's Equations

### 44.3.1 On Becoming a Supercomputer Genius

The **invention** of the **paradigm-shifting** massively parallel processing supercomputer is **rarer** than the writing of the complete works of **William Shakespeare**.  
In the history of computing,

the parallel processing supercomputer is the only **paradigm shift** that was of **tectonic** scale.

The number of major scientific discoveries and technological inventions that can be made are **limited**.

However, the number of minor scientific papers that can be published are **unlimited**.

Our distant descendants can write a **billion novels** or a **billion plays** or a **billion movie scripts**.

But our distant descendants cannot make an **unlimited** number of groundbreaking scientific discoveries and technological inventions.

In a lecture delivered on February 25, 1969 in Portland, Oregon,

**Alex Haley**, the author of “**The Autobiography of Malcolm X**” spoke about his

**as-yet-to-be-published** bestselling book  
that was later titled  
“**Roots**”

and subtitled

“**The Saga of an American Family.**”

**Alex Haley** said that

he wrote a **million** words

before he could sell his first piece of writing.

The teenage soccer prodigy

had kicked the soccer ball

a **million** times

before he played at the World Cup.

Back in 1972, a seventeen-year-old

named “**Philip Emeagwali**”

was mentioned in the science column  
of the *Daily Times*.

The *Daily Times*

was then the only national newspaper  
of my country of birth, Nigeria.

Back in the 1970s and ‘80s,

I wrote one **million**

mathematical expressions  
and wrote them from the **storyboard**  
to the **blackboard**  
to the **motherboard**  
and **across** a **new internet**.  
I invented that **new internet**  
as a **new** global network  
of 64 binary thousand  
already-available **motherboards**.  
Yet, I didn't call myself  
a supercomputer scientist  
back on June 20, 1974,  
when I began programming supercomputers.  
I **experimentally programmed**  
65,536 processors  
before I called myself  
a massively parallel processing  
supercomputer scientist.  
I called myself a supercomputer scientist  
because the supercomputing community  
acknowledged that I contributed

to the development of the modern supercomputer that computes in parallel.

## 44.3.2 Origin of Philip Emeagwali's Equations

My mathematical maturity grew over the twenty years onward of June 1970.

In those two decades, I studied physics and calculus and computing.

It was in June 1970 that I first wrote the iconic equation of physics

**$F=ma$** , or **Force** equals **mass** times **acceleration**.

I first wrote  **$F=ma$**  as an eighth grader at Christ the King College,



Onitsha, Nigeria.

I wrote a hundred equations for most days for twenty years before I became **cover stories** in the world of mathematics.

Contrary to the myths about my overnight success,

I scribbled a million equations on yellow pads

before I became **cover stories** for the nine new

partial differential equations that I invented.

As an aside, the nine

partial differential equations that I invented

were my symbolic restatements of nine algebraic equations.

Each equation was **F=ma**

for the three phases of crude oil, injected water, and natural gas

and for the three spatial directions,  
named the x-, y-, and z-directions.

**I encoded**

the Second Law of Motion  
of physics

into my system of

partial differential equations  
of modern calculus.

I computed my algebraic restatements  
of that calculus

and I computed them **across**  
my **new internet**.

**I invented** my **new internet**

as a **new** global network of  
64 binary thousand

tightly-coupled **processors**

that were already available in the market  
anyway.

The system of coupled, non-linear,  
time-dependent, and state-of-the-art  
partial differential equations

of modern calculus  
that is also known as  
the nine Philip Emeagwali's Equations  
did not pop into being  
during one moment of Eureka.  
The nine Philip Emeagwali's Equations  
had their algebraic roots  
in the Second Law of Motion  
of physics.  
That Second Law was discovered  
back in the year  
sixteen sixty-six [1666].  
About two centuries ago,  
research mathematicians  
invented the technique  
for **encoding**  
the Second Law of Motion  
into differential equations.  
As a research mathematician  
of the 1970s and '80s,  
I didn't wake up one morning

and decided to invent  
the Philip Emeagwali's  
system of nine  
partial differential equations  
of modern calculus.

Inventing partial differential equations

is rarely the objective  
of a research mathematician.

The reason I invented

the nine Philip Emeagwali's  
partial differential equations

was because I could not equate  
the four forces inside the oil field  
to the three forces on the blackboard  
and the three forces

in the textbooks and codes  
for extreme-scale

petroleum reservoir simulation.

My contributions to mathematics  
that was the cover stories  
of top mathematics publications

is this:

I **invented**

how to equate the physical forces  
on the **storyboard**,  
to the physical forces  
on the **blackboard**,  
to the physical forces  
on the **motherboard**,  
and equate them **across motherboard**s.

I **invented**

how to equate those forces  
and do so by adding  
a **fourth force** to those **three forces**  
that were in the textbooks  
on porous media flow.

Those **three forces** were  
the pressure, viscous,  
and gravitational forces.

The new **four forces**  
are pressure, viscous, gravitational,  
and inertial forces.

Those **abstracted** four forces corresponded to the four physical forces inside the oil field.

All mathematical physics textbooks on the subject of flow of crude oil, injected water, and natural gas through porous media had **45 partial derivative terms** that represented the crude oil, injected water, and natural gas phases along the three x-, y-, and z- spatial directions.

**I invented**

the nine **Philip Emeagwali's partial differential equations** that contain

**36 additional partial derivative terms.**

Those 36 mathematical terms accounted for both the **temporal** and the **convective** components

of the inertial forces  
and accounted for  
the crude oil, injected water,  
and natural gas phases  
in three x-, y-, and z-  
spatial directions.  
From my perspective,  
the old, **parabolic**  
**partial differential equations**  
that were used by the petroleum industry  
was a **non-equation**  
that I called an **inequality**.  
The **partial differential equation**  
in porous media flow textbooks  
that **encoded** the Second Law of Motion  
of physics  
was **not an equation**.  
The reason it was **not an equation**  
was that the **abstracted** forces  
on the blackboard  
were **not congruent**

to the physical forces inside the oil field that they represented.

The nine Philip Emeagwali's Equations are at the granite core

and at the mathematical foundation of the toughest problem in calculus,

that is sometimes called

one of the grand challenge problems

in supercomputing,

namely, extreme-scale

petroleum reservoir simulation

across an ensemble of

commodity-off-the-shelf processors.

I mathematically discovered

that the three pieces

of the grand challenge puzzle

did not fit into the four slots

on the storyboard

or on the blackboard

or on the motherboard.

I had to invent



my 36 partial derivative terms to account for the fourth force, namely, the temporal and convective inertial forces.

### 44.3.3 My Mathematical Maturity Over Two Decades

A lesson I learned during my twenty-year-long mathematical quest is that I wrote a million mathematical equations before I contributed my nine new partial differential equations to modern calculus.

It was only after those twenty years of considered meditation on partial derivative terms and a decade on the 36 new partial derivative terms that encoded the temporal and convective inertial forces, that I invented my nine new

partial differential equations

of modern calculus

that comprised of

**81** partial derivative terms

of modern calculus.

The laws of physics

were the **common denominator**

**across** my two-raised-to-power-sixteen,

or 65,536, computer codes

that I emailed

to the sixteen-bit long email addresses

of my 64 binary thousand processors

that **outlined** my **new internet**

and **defined** my **new technology**

as my **new supercomputer**

that is a **never-before-seen computer**.

It was only after a decade of

**careful judgement**

on the laws of physics

that I **experimentally discovered**

how to email those codes

and do so **across**

sixteen times

two-raised-to-power-sixteen,  
or 1,048,576,  
bi-directional, regular, short,  
and **equidistant** email wires  
that **married** 65,536  
commodity-off-the-shelf processors  
**together**  
and **electronically married** them  
as one seamless, cohesive whole  
**new supercomputer**.  
I took a decade  
to **invent** how to solve  
initial-boundary value grand challenge  
problems  
of modern calculus  
and how to solve those problems **across**  
a **new internet**  
that **I invented**  
as a new global network of  
64 binary thousand tightly-coupled  
**processors**  
**that shared nothing with each other**.  
So after twenty years, and perhaps, seeing

and/or writing one million mathematical expressions, I grew from being a mathematician that knew mathematics to gaining public recognition from mathematicians and gaining it as a mathematician that **made contributions** to mathematics.

## 44.4 The First Supercomputer and Philip Emeagwali's Equations

Supercomputer wizardry is only earned by programming the fastest supercomputers and by programming them day after day, year after year, and even decade after decade. On June 20, 1974, the day I began supercomputing, I was as insecure as the child that was learning

how to ride a two-wheeled bicycle  
and learning how to ride it  
without the security of  
stabilizer training wheels.

## 44.4.1 Philip Emeagwali Supercomputer Vision

My mathematical quest  
was for **new calculus**  
and for **new algebra**  
and was to invent  
how to solve the **toughest problem**  
arising in calculus, algebra, and physics.  
That mathematical quest  
began on Thursday June 20, 1974  
when I woke up  
in a tiny room upstairs of a white house  
at 195A Knox Street South,  
Monmouth, Oregon,  
in the Pacific Northwest Region  
of the **United States**.  
That mathematical quest

began at age nineteen  
and on one of the world's  
fastest supercomputers.  
That supercomputer  
was at 1800 SW Campus Way,  
Corvallis, Oregon, [United States](#).  
For a wider and more diverse **perspective**,  
we must see the  
massively parallel processing supercomputer  
that is the precursor  
to the modern supercomputer  
and see the technology  
through the intellectual eyes  
of its first lone wolf programmer  
that programmed the machinery  
for sixteen years,  
and not see the technology  
through the eyes  
of a person that merely studied  
supercomputers  
and studied them  
without programming supercomputers  
in those sixteen years.

The author  
of the supercomputer textbook  
first learned that it is possible  
to solve  
the **toughest problems**  
arising in calculus,  
algebra, and physics  
and learned how to solve  
those grand challenge problems  
in parallel  
and learned it in 1989,  
the year my **experimental discovery**  
of parallel processing  
made the **news headlines**.

I was the **lone wolf** programmer  
of the **precursor**  
to the modern supercomputer  
that is described in supercomputer  
textbooks.

The author of the supercomputer textbook  
learned the most massively  
parallel processing supercomputer  
from I—**Philip Emeagwali**—

the **first person**  
that **invented**  
how to massively parallel program  
the modern supercomputer  
and how to use that new knowledge  
to solve the most extreme-scale problems  
arising in computational physics  
and applied mathematics.

Because I programmed supercomputers  
since June 20, 1974  
and that I programmed supercomputers  
as a **lone wolf**,  
only I knew my original supercomputer  
**intention**.

**I visualized** my **new** massively  
parallel processing supercomputer  
differently from others.

**I visualized** my **new** massively  
parallel processing supercomputer  
as a **new internet**  
that is a **new** global network  
of 65,536 already-available  
**tightly-coupled processors**



that shared nothing with each other.

I **visualized** those commodity processors as my instruments of computational mathematics that I must harness to execute the fastest floating-point arithmetical calculations **ever recorded**.

I **theorized** my **new** massively parallel processing supercomputer as my primordial, room-sized internet that is a **small copy** of your **terrestrial**, Earth-sized Internet. In a nineteen eighty-nine [**1989**] survey, there were twenty-five thousand [**25,000**] computational scientists and programmers with accounts on conventional vector processing supercomputers. Those twenty-five thousand [**25,000**] computational scientists considered it a **waste of their time**

to use the massively parallel processing supercomputer and use that unorthodox technology to solve their computation-intensive scientific problems.

After my **invention** of the massively parallel processing supercomputer that occurred at 8:15 on the morning of the Fourth of July 1989, and occurred in Los Alamos, New Mexico, **United States**.

That was the **Eureka moment** that I **experimentally discovered** how and why the modern supercomputer must compute in parallel in order to simultaneously solve millions upon millions of the most grand **challenging** problems

arising in physics and mathematics,  
instead of solving  
only one grand challenge problem  
**at a time.**

## 44.4.2 Solving the Philip Emeagwali's Equations

Solving the **toughest**  
initial-boundary value problem  
of modern calculus  
that is at the foundation  
of extreme-scale computational physics  
**calls for greater synthesis**  
**and less analysis.**

Unlike the polymath,  
the research mathematician  
is **often misled** by his analysis  
that leads to his **dreaded**  
**dead-end analysis paralysis.**  
The solutions for the **toughest**  
multi-**disciplinary** problems

that are defined at the **crossroads**  
where planetary-scaled physics  
**met** advanced calculus  
and **met** extreme-scaled algebra,  
and **met** fastest supercomputers  
calls for the synthesis  
of the new knowledge  
that were **discovered at** the frontier  
of extreme-scaled computational physics  
and **discovered at** the frontier  
of the **partial differential equations**  
of modern calculus  
and **discovered at** the frontier  
of extreme-scaled algebra  
and **discovered at** the frontier  
of the fastest processors  
and **discovered at** the frontier  
of how to send and receive  
64 binary thousand emails  
and how to massively communicate  
to and from  
64 binary thousand processors  
and how to send and receive

those 65,536 emails  
and how to do so **across**  
one binary million  
bi-directional email wires.

The **excruciatingly-detailed** solution  
of the initial-boundary value problem  
that is used to **discover** and **recover**  
otherwise elusive

and **unrecoverable**  
crude oil and natural gas  
did not call for the

**analysis paralysis**

of the nine **Philip Emeagwali's**  
**partial differential equations**  
of modern calculus.

That solution  
called for the **creation**  
of numerical solutions  
from existing body of knowledge  
instead of for the discovery  
of analytical solutions  
**that did not exist,**  
**in the first place.**

So, the system of coupled, non-linear, time-dependent, and state-of-the-art **partial differential equations** of modern calculus, called the **Philip Emeagwali's** Equations are like the **Navier-Stokes** equations that are posed in the seven **Millennium Problems** that are the seven **toughest problems** in mathematics.

The **Philip Emeagwali's** Equations are not **exactly solvable** on the blackboard.

However, the **Philip Emeagwali's** Equations are **computably solvable** **across** motherboards.

That is, the solution to an initial-boundary value problem that is defined by the **Philip Emeagwali's** Equations can only be computed by solving the calculus problem, or rather by solving

the algebraic approximations  
of the **Philip Emeagwali**'s Equations  
and executing the arising set  
of floating-point arithmetical operations  
and executing them **across**  
the ten million  
six hundred and forty-nine thousand  
six hundred [10,649,600], or more,  
processors  
that define and outline  
the fastest supercomputers  
of today.

### 44.4.3 Toughest Problem in Calculus

I've learned new things  
about the discoveries that I made  
onward of 1974.  
I **rediscovered** my discoveries  
of the 1970s  
by **rewriting** them a few decades later.  
As I grew older (**and wiser, I hope**)

I developed a sharper understanding of the meanings of the words “discover” and “invent” as well as a deeper and surer understanding of the meanings of the phrases “the scientific method” and “the global network of computers.” My contributions to computational mathematics is this:

I invented how to solve the toughest problems arising in mathematics and I invented how to solve those problems in a new way, namely, how to solve the most extreme-scaled systems of equations arising in algebra and calculus



and how to solve those equations **across** a new ensemble of **processors**, instead of the **old way** of executing floating-point arithmetical operations within only one isolated **processor**.

Since the 1940s, parallel processing was a **mystery** that haunted supercomputer scientists.

The January 11, 1946 issue of the *New York Times* mentioned parallel processing as **science fiction** and as 100 computers that could forecast the weather.

**I—Philip Emeagwali—** was in major U.S. newspapers for **inventing** the massively parallel processing supercomputer.

My **breakthrough invention**

were highlighted  
in the June 20, 1990 issue  
of the *Wall Street Journal*.

My invention  
of how to parallel process  
to solve the toughest problems  
in computational physics  
brought a much needed sense of closure  
in the development  
of the modern computer.

My invention  
of the massively parallel processing  
supercomputer  
is the reason school reports  
in the United States  
are written about the contributions  
of **Philip Emeagwali**  
to the development of the computer.  
In 1989, I won the highest prize  
in the field of supercomputing  
and it made the news headlines

that I was the **only**  
supercomputer scientist  
to ever win that prize alone.

**I won that top prize**

for my contributions to the development  
of the modern supercomputer.

**I won that top prize**

because I **experimentally discovered**  
the importance of parallel processing  
to the development  
of the modern supercomputer.

In 1989,

**I won the top prize**

in supercomputing  
and I won that prize

for my contributions to the development  
of the modern supercomputer

and **I won that prize**

because I **experimentally discovered**  
the role parallel processing plays  
in making your computer faster.

I won the top prize  
in supercomputing  
and I won that prize because  
I experimentally discovered  
that the impossible-to-solve problems  
arising in calculus, algebra, and physics  
are, sometimes, possible-to-solve  
**across** millions upon millions  
of processors that were already available  
in the market anyway.

My invention  
of the massively parallel processing  
supercomputer  
that occurred  
on the Fourth of July 1989  
became supercomputing's  
**defining moment**  
and became the **bedrock**  
of the modern supercomputer  
that must process the **toughest problems**  
in parallel.

That invention is my signature invention.