

How I Invented a New Internet That's a New Supercomputer

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Philip Emeagwali

The Reader's Digest described Philip Emeagwali as “smarter than Albert Einstein.” Philip Emeagwali is often ranked as the world's greatest living genius and scientist. He is listed in the top 20 greatest minds that ever lived. That list includes Charles Darwin, Isaac Newton, William Shakespeare, Leonardo da Vinci, Aristotle, Pythagoras, and Confucius. Philip Emeagwali is studied in schools as a living historical figure.

In 1989, Philip Emeagwali rose to fame when he won a recognition described as the Nobel Prize of Supercomputing and made the news headlines for his invention of the first world's fastest computing across an Internet that's a global network of processors. *CNN* called him "A Father of the Internet." *House Beautiful* magazine ranked his invention among nine important everyday things taken for granted. In a White House speech of August 26, 2000, then U.S. President Bill Clinton described Philip Emeagwali as “one of the great minds of the Information Age.”

How Did Philip Emeagwali Impact Science?

Inventing a New Internet

Inventing A New Internet

Please allow me to reintroduce myself.

I'm Philip Emeagwali.

I began supercomputing at age nineteen on June 20, 1974, in Corvallis, Oregon, USA. Back then, there was no computer in my country of birth, Nigeria. In 1974, the parallel supercomputer that's the precursor of the world's fastest computer was **mocked and dismissed as science fiction.**

Parallel processing was an unproven technology that couldn't be harnessed to achieve the world's fastest computer speeds of a vector supercomputer. The unproven technology couldn't be used to solve the most compute-intensive problems, such as executing computational fluid dynamics codes, including executing high-resolution

global climate models
and doing so to **foresee** otherwise
unforeseeable long-term global warming.
In the 1980s and earlier,
everybody **ridiculed**
parallel supercomputing.
The technology was **mocked**
and **dismissed as unproved**
and as a tremendous waste of
everybody's time.

My **contributions**
to the development of the computer
were these:

I was in the news
for becoming the **first person**
to use the **slowest** processors
in the world
to discover the **fastest** computing
in the world
And solve

the most **compute-intensive** problems in the world.

My scientific **discovery**—called fastest computing—occurred at fifteen minutes after 8 o'clock in the morning of July 4, 1989, in Los Alamos, New Mexico, USA. Briefly, **I discovered how to execute the world's fastest computing with the world's slowest processors.**

My **discovery** of the fastest computing **revolutionized** the essence of both the computer and the supercomputer. The world's most powerful supercomputer costs one billion, **two hundred and fifty million** dollars. And it costs 40 percent more than

the mile-long Second Niger Bridge at **Onitsha**, my ancestral hometown in Nigeria.

The supercomputer **is used** to solve the most **compute-intensive** problems in mathematics, science, and engineering.

Without supercomputing across millions of identical processors, these grand challenge problems will be **impossible** to solve.

10.1.1.1 A New Supercomputer Technology Creates New Sciences

A new technology for fastest computing creates new sciences.

The world's fastest computer **opened the door**

to unexplored areas of mathematics, physics, and computer science.

The diverse applications

of the supercomputer
range from **oil exploration**
to a surer prediction of **global warming**.
The **earliest** experiment
across a massive ensemble of processors,
in which a **Grand Challenge Problem**
was solved,
occurred at fifteen minutes after 8 o'clock
in the morning
of the Fourth of July 1989
in Los Alamos, New Mexico, **USA**.
That **first** experiment
led to my **signature invention**,
which is the new knowledge
that powers the world's fastest computer.
And enables it to solve problems
that were **once-impossible** to solve.
And solve them in parallel
and across my global network
of processors that outline
and define my **new Internet**.

10.1.1.2 Philip Emeagwali's Blueprint for a New Internet

Shortly after my experiment of July 4, 1989, I was in major U.S. newspapers for winning the highest award in supercomputing. That **first** experiment provided the blueprint on how to parallel process. And do so across a new Internet. That **never-before-visualized** Internet was a vast ensemble of 65,536 off-the-shelf processors that tightly encircled a globe. Those processors were coupled and **shared nothing**. My two-raised-to-power sixteen identical processors communicated synchronously. And computed simultaneously.

And did both to solve the most compute-intensive problems in the scientific and engineering worlds.

10.1.1.3 How Are Supercomputers Used in Kuwait?

In an email, a twelve-year-old writing the biographies of famous computer pioneers asked me:

“How are supercomputers used in Kuwait?”

The supercomputer market is valued at **forty-five billion** dollars a year. The energy and geoscience industries buy one in ten supercomputers.

The **Burgan** Oil Field in the desert of south-eastern Kuwait was discovered in 1937.

The **Burgan** Oil Field contains up to 72 billion barrels of recoverable crude oil reserves.

The **Greater Burgan** Oil Field is the world's largest **sandstone** oil field.

The **Burgan** Oil Field is declining at 14 percent per year.

Fastest computing executed across millions of processors is used to recover about half of the crude oil reserves inside the **Burgan** Oil Field.

In 1989, I was in the news for **discovering** how the **slowest** processors in the world could be harnessed as the world's fastest computer. And used to discover and recover

otherwise elusive crude oil
and natural gas.

10.1.1.4 How I Harnessed the Slowest Processors for the World's Fastest Computer

The parallel supercomputer
became known to a broader audience
after my **scientific discovery**,
of the Fourth of July 1989.

That **discovery** yielded
the world's fastest computer speeds
that I recorded across
the world's **slowest** processors.

And recorded while solving
one of the world's
most **compute-intensive** problem.

I arrived at that frontier
of knowledge
by contributing to the knowledge

discovered by research scientists whose names were lost in the **mist of time**.

In the past one hundred years, the population of the scientific community has grown by a thousand-fold.

A century ago, there were only one thousand physicists in the world.

Today, we have one million physicists in the world.

We could say the same of mathematicians.

The body of knowledge now described as information and communication technologies has **grown exponentially**, since the 1940s.

10.1.1.5 How I Solved the Most Difficult Problem in Mathematics

The parallel processing problem which I solved in 1989 was then classified by the **U.S. government** as the **Grand Challenge Problem** of supercomputing. My solution of that compute-intensive problem **traversed** extreme-scale partial *difference* equations of computational linear algebra, **traversed** partial *differential* equations of calculus, **traversed** large-scale computational physics, and **traversed** the supercomputing across up to a billion processors that made the **news headlines** because

I parallel processed to solve the most difficult problem in mathematical physics. I solved that problem across a new global network of off-the-shelf processors that outlined and defined a never-before-recognized Internet. That Grand Challenge Problem was far more complex and compute-intensive than the calculus problem that Isaac Newton solved three centuries and three decades ago.

It's more difficult to invent new calculus than to understand the calculus in textbooks.

For that reason, contributions of new partial differential equations to the existing body

of mathematical knowledge
is more valuable than
the mastery of mathematical methods.
Nonetheless, the mastery of mathematics
and physics
is always a precondition
for the invention of new
partial differential equations
as well as the world's fastest computers
for solving them.

As a computational mathematician,
I invented discrete approximations
that honor both the governing
partial differential equations of calculus
and their underlying physics.

My **contribution**
of the world's fastest computing
to mathematics and physics
is used to extract crude oil and natural gas

that are buried up to 7.7 miles deep.
And formed up to **541 million** years ago.
An oil field is about the size of Abuja,
the capital of Nigeria.
An oil field is a mixture
of different materials
which has properties that vary
from point to point.
Often, the properties
may not have the same value
along **perpendicularly different directions**.
The value along the z-direction
might be different
when compared to those
along the x- and y-directions.
Such differences, called **heterogeneities**
and **anisotropies**, make
my supercomputer model more complex.

10.1.1.6 Isaac Newton Wasn't a Scientist

As an aside, **Isaac Newton** wasn't a scientist.

The term “**scientist**” was coined about a century and a half after **Isaac Newton** died.

Instead, **Isaac Newton** described himself as a “**Natural Philosopher**,”

not as a mathematician or a physicist.

Contrary to what is widely believed,

Isaac Newton devoted most of his careers to researching **occultism**,

not to searching for new laws of physics.

Looking back retrospectively,

there are a thousand times more geniuses today than a century ago.

Yet, in the 1940s,

the likes of the physicist **Albert Einstein**

couldn't parallel process, in part because,

the technology and the technique

were then unknown.

For those reasons,
they couldn't accurately solve
an initial-boundary value problem
of mathematical physics,
such as global climate modeling
to foresee long-term global warming.
Global climate modeling
is the most important problem
in computational physics.

If I can travel back in time
to three centuries and three decades ago
to Cambridge, England,
I will explain to Isaac Newton
how we use the system of
partial differential equations of calculus
that encodes
the Second Law of Motion of physics.
And use them to model
the transport of **pollutants**
through a **groundwater aquifer**.

Solving this difficult problem of mathematical physics demands the simulations of a complex set of **biogeochemical** reactions that, in turn, is coupled with the simulations of the multiphase flows of air and water. I will explain to Isaac Newton how the compute-intensiveness of modeling groundwater aquifers and production oil fields increases when their solutions are governed by **partial differential equations**. Such equations account for multiphase fluid flows. And give rise to mathematical objects, called **tensors**, that represent **heterogeneous** aquifers that are characterized by **anisotropic hydraulic conductivities**. I will explain to Isaac Newton

that a tensor is similar to a vector.

But a tensor is more general than a vector.

The array of components of a tensor are functions of its spatial coordinates.

Finally, I will explain to Isaac Newton how and why

many mathematical models are **multiphysics** and **multiscaled**.

The reason is that some phenomena are governed by different laws of physics and chemistry.

And occur over wide-ranging temporal and spatial scales.

The science of today was the **science fiction** of Isaac Newton.

Inventing the World's Fastest Computer

Chronicles from the Frontier of Supercomputing

What is Philip Emeagwali Noted For?

Back in 1989, I was in the news because I was the **first person** to understand how to solve the most compute-intensive problems in supercomputing.

I **discovered** how to tackle the world's most compute-intensive problems in algebra, calculus, and physics.

I **discovered** how to solve them across a new Internet that's a new global network of 65,536 off-the-shelf processors and standard parts.

That contribution to mathematics was the reason I was the **cover story** of the top publication

in the world of mathematicians, namely the May 1990 issue of the *SIAM News*.

10.1.1.7 Philip Emeagwali Invents the World's Fastest Computing

I was the **cover story** because the foremost mathematicians in the world were being informed that I **discovered** how to solve initial-boundary value problems governed by **partial differential equations** that encoded the laws of physics. I **discovered** how to solve the most compute-intensive problems. And how to solve them not merely on the blackboard, or even on the motherboard, but across an ensemble of up to **one billion** processors

that equidistantly surrounded the globe.

And did so in the way

the Internet circumscribes the Earth.

My discovery made the news headlines

because, in the 1980s, nobody else

could execute the most

compute-intensive

global climate models.

And compute with the slowest processors

in the world.

And do so while recording

the fastest speeds in supercomputing.

The global climate model

must be parallel processed

to enable the climatologist to foresee

otherwise unforeseeable

long-term global warming.

In 1989, I was in the news because

I discovered

the fastest computer speeds

that are possible.

And discovered how to compute across
a new ensemble
of up to one billion processors
that surrounded a globe.
And did so just as the Internet
encircled the Earth.

I began supercomputing on June 20, 1974,
at age nineteen,
at 1800 SW Campus Way,
Corvallis, Oregon, USA.
On my sixteenth anniversary
of supercomputing,
I was credited in the June 20, 1990
issue of The *Wall Street Journal*
for discovering
how to compute together
and how to communicate at once
and how to do both across
a new ensemble 65,536 processors.
And how to compute
at the fastest recorded speed.

And do so to tackle the **most compute-intensive** problems. Such difficult problems could only be solved by **dividing** them into millions of lesser compute-intensive problems that, in turn, could be solved only by a **one-problem to one-processor** mapping onto a network of millions of processors. This **problem-to-processor** mapping is the **substance** of how the **first supercomputer** that computes fastest across the slowest processors is used to tackle the biggest and the **most intractable** problems in the mathematical sciences.

10.1.1.8 Fastest Computing Turns Fiction to Fact

As a research supercomputer scientist, who came of age in the 1980s and in the USA, my goal was to contribute **new knowledge**—namely the speed and speedup across up to a billion processors. My record speed in supercomputing of July 4, 1989, was **new knowledge** that was used to actualize the world's fastest computing across over ten million processors. My discovery was a **milestone** in computer history. My **invention** turned parallel computing from **fiction** to **fact**. In the 1970s and 80s, the world's fastest computing across

up to a billion processors
and its use to get
more accurate solutions
of initial-boundary value problems
governed by
partial differential equations
of calculus and physics
was classified
as a **Grand Challenge Problem**.
It was so called for a compelling reason.
In the 1980s, attempting to harness
an ensemble
of sixty-four binary thousand processors
and use them to emulate
a virtual supercomputer
was as difficult as attempting
to make **science fiction** become **reality**.

10.1.1.9 Lone Wolf at the Frontier of the Supercomputer

That **grand challenge** was the reason

the **farthest frontier**
of the massively parallel supercomputer
had only **one permanent resident**.
I was that **permanent resident**
of the then unknown world
of the world's fastest computing across
up to a billion processors.
In 1989 and in the **USA**,
I was in the news because

I witnessed the **first dramatic upgrade**
in our understanding
of the computer of tomorrow,
not as a **new computer** *per se*
but as a new Internet *de facto*.
The computer will become
the Internet, and vice-versa.

It's impossible to say, exactly,
how the world's fastest computers are
used.

Some supercomputers—such as those used to simulate the shock waves emanating from the explosions of nuclear bombs only exist off the record.

The supercomputers for nuclear labs are manufactured without serial numbers. And oil companies protect their supercomputer simulations as trade secrets.

I was **coerced** to sign **non-disclosure agreements** that prevail me from telling you everything that I know about the world's fastest computing.

In the 1980s, the massively parallel supercomputer was only available to a few dozen scientists that worked within

the U.S. Federal nuclear research laboratories.

Today, such supercomputers are available to everyone.

I was the only full-time programmer of the 1980s of the most massively parallel supercomputers ever built.

That was how and why I became known as a supercomputer scientist.

10.1.1.10 On Becoming a Supercomputer Genius

In an email, a twelve-year-old writing the biographies of famous mathematicians and their **contributions** to the development of the first supercomputer that computes the fastest across the slowest processors asked me:

“How do you become a supercomputer genius?”

You become a supercomputer genius by, first, deeply understanding the difficult mathematical problems that you must solve.

And by deeply understanding how you must divide the most compute-intensive problems into up to a billion lesser challenging problems.

And knowing how to solve them with a unique

one-processor to **one-problem** mapping that preserves nearest-neighbor **nearness**.

And understanding how to solve such problems across the up to one billion processors that outline and define

the massively parallel supercomputer.

That supercomputer genius must be a **polymath**, or a jack-of-several sciences.

That supercomputer genius must be at home at the frontiers of knowledge in mathematics, physics, and computer science.

The supercomputer genius must understand his computing machinery and know it forward and backward, and even sideways.”

The supercomputer genius must **be the first person to understand** how to compute at speeds that were considered **impossible**. **A**nd compute to address some of the world's biggest challenges.

And compute in a **breakthrough** way that's ranked as a **milestone**.

And that **changed the way** we think about the modern computer and the fastest supercomputer.

It took me sixteen years on the world's fastest processors to discover that I could compute at the **world's fastest speeds**

and do so across the world's **slowest** processors.

And do so to solve the most compute-intensive problems in science, engineering, and medicine.

The world's fastest computing that's executed across a million coupled processors is the central knowledge that must be used to foresee the otherwise unforeseeable

spread of contagious viruses that occurs during a once-in-a-century global pandemic, such as COVID-19.

Inventing the First Supercomputer, As It's Known Today

Philip Emeagwali Impact on the Supercomputer

10.1.1.11 Inventing the World's Fastest Computer

My **contributions** to the development of the **first** supercomputer, as it's known today, made the **news headlines** because:

I **discovered** that parallel processing will become the vital technology that will be used to manufacture

the world's fastest computers.

I didn't merely discover
the world's fastest computing
across one binary million email wires.
Nor did I invent the technology
by luck or **serendipity**.

I **discovered** the world's fastest computing
because I deeply understood
the underlying mathematical physics
that defined

the **compute-intensive** problem
that must be parallel processed
across up to one billion processors.

In 1989 and in the USA,

I was in the news because

I **discovered** how to solve
the most **compute-intensive problems**
in mathematics and physics.

And how to solve them in parallel
and across my **new Internet**
that was a new global network of

two-raised-to-power sixteen,
or 65,536 coupled
off-the-shelf processors.
Those processors
were **equal distances** apart
and **shared nothing**,
but were in dialogue with each other.

A Supercomputing Genius Must be a Polymath

I've provided the complete details
of my supercomputing inventions.
And did so across
one thousand podcasts
and YouTube videos.
I posted the most YouTube lectures
because I have the most knowledge
in the field of supercomputing.
My YouTube lectures **encapsulated**
the knowledge of mathematics, physics,
and computing that I gained

from nearly fifty years of fastest computing that began on June 20, 1974, at 1800 SW Campus Way, Corvallis, Oregon, USA.

I had to be a polymath, not merely a mathematician, to work alone.

And solve the most difficult problem in supercomputing, which **traversed** half a dozen frontiers of scientific knowledge.

In contrast, American scientists work in large teams.

A person that was aided by one hundred scientists might only understand one percent of the work and, therefore, cannot give an impromptu interview, or deliver an **on-the-spot** lecture, and do so without the support of Power Point photos.

Having a supercomputer is one part of the equation for solving the most difficult problems arising in supercomputing.

Only a **polymath** can translate and solve the toughest problems at the crossroad

where new mathematics, new physics, and new computing **intersect**.

The extra knowledge that gave me an edge over other mathematicians, physicists, and computer scientists

was that I the **first person**

that could translate some laws of physics into a system of

partial differential equations of calculus.

The **partial differential equation**

is the pillar

on which the supercomputer rests.

I converted those equations

into their algebraic approximations that is a system of **partial difference equations** of algebra. Finally, I invented algorithms and email primitives, that are my final step-by-step instructions for my world's fastest computing. Each processor must execute **in-lock-step** my programmed instructions. And execute within and across millions of processors that **shared nothing**. Those were the **mathematical conditions** for **inventing** the world's **fastest** computing. I used my **new** supercomputing knowledge to solve the most difficult problems. And solve them across the world's **slowest** processors. My **contribution** to supercomputing knowledge was in the news shortly after its **discovery**

at 8:15 in the morning, on July 4, 1989,
in Los Alamos, New Mexico, USA.
I invented the world's fastest computing
the way Bob Marley writes songs.

The toughest problems in supercomputing
traverses mathematics, physics,
and computer science,
For that reason, a supercomputing genius
must be a **polymath**.

The supercomputing polymath
left his or her specialty
for several years.

And left it to conduct research
in mathematics or physics
or computer science.

And do so
to gain a different perspective
from each field.

In my quest for how
computing across processors
powers the world's fastest computers,

I left the frontier of knowledge of mathematics known as **partial differential equations** and **computational linear algebra** for the frontiers of knowledge of physics known as **fluid dynamics**.

I did so to become a mathematical physicist who investigated how to solve the most compute-intensive problems that arise during geophysical fluid flows. Such supercomputing problems include forecasting and hindcasting the global-scale motions of fluids (that is, liquids and gases) that enshroud the Earth.

Geophysical fluid motions include subsurface, multi-phased fluids flowing across **anisotropic** and **heterogeneous** porous media. And flowing up to **7.7 miles** (or 12.4 kilometers)

below the surface of the Earth.
Geophysical fluid motions include
centuries-long
global climate modeling
executed to **foresee** otherwise
unforeseeable
global warming.
After a decade following 1974,
I left mathematical physics
for the frontier of knowledge
of the then unexplored field of
the world's **fastest** computing across
the world's **slowest** processors.
Looking back and using a metaphor,
I learned that
if you've never left your house
it's **impossible**
to have ever seen your entire house.
**In 1989, I commanded and controlled
more supercomputing power
than any person that ever walked
on planet Earth.**

I understood the world's **fastest** computing deeper than the arm-chair theoretical physicist.

And deeper than the mathematician who never left his blackboard for the motherboard that occupies the footprint of a football field.

I'm a **polymath** who sojourned from mathematics to physics to computer science and did so across half a century to leave behind a **legacy** of one thousand podcasts and YouTube videos.

Famous scientists, who came of age after the mid-20th century, were obliged to leave as their legacy a series of videotaped lectures.

Each lecture must describe their contributions to mathematics or physics or computer science. Albert Einstein shared about ten videos. I shared one thousand videos in YouTube, each up to four hours long. My one thousand podcasts and YouTube videos were the culminations of half a century of **painstaking research** that began on June 20, 1974, in Corvallis, Oregon, USA. Listening to only one of my podcasts, instead of watching my one thousand YouTube videos is like being misled by a single **still-frame** photograph. It's like writing a book review after only reading one page of a thousand-page book. My one thousand YouTube videos permit their viewers to approximate my lecture experiences.

But watch them without their **visceral impacts**.

10.1.1.12 How Philip Emeagwali Became Known

As the first supercomputer scientist who came of age in the 1970s, it was imperative that I followed a different path to the frontier of human knowledge of the world's fastest computing **across** the world's slowest processors. At that supercomputing frontier, new **partial differential equations** of calculus and large-scale algebra **intersected**. And new algebra and fastest computing **intersected**. I visualized my world's fastest computing as occurring around a new Internet that was a small copy of the Internet.

Both Internets encircled a globe in the sixteenth and third dimensions of hyperspace, respectively.

My scientific discovery, of the world's fastest computing, occurred at fifteen minutes after 8 o'clock in the morning of July 4, 1989, in Los Alamos, New Mexico, USA.

That new knowledge was my **breakthrough answer** to a perennial **big question** that appeared in a **science-fiction story** published on February 1, 1922.

Sixty-seven years later, I was in the news as the African genius that won the highest award in supercomputing.

Computer scientists call my award the **Nobel Prize of Supercomputing**.

I won that top supercomputer award, in 1989, because I discovered how to turn that science-fiction story of 1922

to a reality that's a new spherical island of sixty-four [64] binary thousand off-the-shelf processors that could be harnessed and used to solve the most difficult problems in science, engineering, and medicine.

The poster boy of the twenty most difficult problems is computing at the world's fastest speeds. And doing so while executing large-scale, high-resolution global climate models.

And executing them to foresee long-term global warming.

And to find answers to previously unanswerable questions.

And create new branches of human knowledge, such as the world's fastest computing across the world's **slowest** processors.

10.1.1.13 Why Supercomputing is Often Top Secret

The indication of my **contributions** to the development of the fastest computer is **not merely** that I recorded the fastest computer speed, but that I did so via my **new paradigm** of communicating and computing across an ensemble of millions of processors, rather than via the **old paradigm of** serial supercomputing or vector supercomputing within one fast processor.

I was in the news, in 1989, because my recording

of the world's fastest computer speed that I measured across the **slowest** processors in the world was a technological **feat** considered **impossible** at that time.

My discovery of an alternative **way** of recording the **fastest speeds** in computing inspired the **change in the way** we look at both the computer and the supercomputer. And inspired the radical **departure** from vector computers that solved one problem at a time and was the size of a refrigerator to the **first** supercomputer, as it's known today, that solves millions of problems at once. And that occupies the space of a soccer field. And it costs the budget of a small nation,

or **one billion**

two hundred and fifty million dollars.

Because the fastest computers in the world

are precious,

each is **protected** by **arm guards**

and is classified as a **state secret**.

For economic and national security

reasons, the U.S. **barred** China

from buying American processors.

And using them to power

Chinese supercomputers.

China understands that dominating

the forty-five (**45**) billion dollars a year

supercomputer market

is its stepping-stone

to dominating the globe

in scientific discoveries

and technical **breakthroughs**

that are the preconditions

to becoming the world's **superpower**.

The Biggest Question Beyond the Fastest Supercomputer

10.1.1.14 Beyond the Last Computer

In the 1970s and 80s,
my scientific search was for answers
to the most important questions
at the crossroad
where new mathematics, new physics,
and the world's fastest computing
intersect.

My quest demanded that
I look beyond the frontiers
of mathematics, physics,
and computer science.
I did so because I realized that
the **discretization**
of the **partial differential equations**
of calculus
is an **inadequate** answer
to the **big question**

of how do mathematicians solve the initial-boundary value problems of mathematical physics. Such problems govern the high-resolution global climate model that must be used to foresee otherwise **unforeseeable** long-term global warming. Mathematical knowledge alone was an **inadequate** answer to **big questions** just as the technological knowledge of the fastest computing across the **slowest** processors is also an **inadequate** answer to the **science-fiction** question of how to design, manufacture, and program the **ultimate supercomputer** of forthcoming centuries.

10.1.1.15 My 50-Year Retrospective on the Supercomputer

Looking back to 1974 and fifteen years onward, those that insisted that I remain in only one field, such as mathematics or physics or computer science, were standing in the way of my **invention** of the **first** supercomputing across the world's slowest computers. Fastest computing was not entirely within mathematics or physics or computer science. I **discovered** it at their **intersection**. And did so when the **naysayers** were standing in the way of the critical and enabling parallel processing technology that now **underpins** the world's fastest computer.

And that would allow faster computers to emerge from an ensemble of millions of slower processors. Being at the frontiers of knowledge of the fields of physics, calculus, algebra, computer, and Internet sciences is the minimum requirement to becoming the **first person** to solve the most **compute-intensive** problems central to supercomputing.

10.1.1.16 Mathematical Knowledge Beyond the Fastest Computer

Abstract mathematical physics is the most **recurring** decimal inside the millions of processors that define and power the world's fastest computers.

Therefore, if I didn't understand the computational physics or the abstract calculus or the large-scale algebra which I was inventing on my blackboard and which I was supercomputing on and across my sixty-four binary thousand processors then my chances of discovering how to parallel process and do so to compute at the fastest recorded speeds demanded that I achieve a **one-problem to one-processor** correspondence for my 65,536 initial-boundary value problems of extreme-scale computational physics. That **one-to-one** correspondence was the mathematical precondition to solving the **parallelized** problems at once.

Without that **one-to-one** correspondence, my chances of recording the fastest computer speeds were as good as having 65,536 monkeys typing on as many computer keyboards. And then expecting their **asynchronous typing** to record a sixty-four binary thousand-fold increase in **never-before-recorded** email and supercomputer speeds.

10.1.1.17 My Years as a Lone Supercomputer Scientist

In retrospect, the reason I was the lone programmer of the most massively parallel supercomputers of the 1980s was that I was the only person that could execute the fastest computing across millions of processors.

And solve the **once-impossible-to-solve Grand Challenge Problem** of supercomputing.
I solved that Grand Challenge Problem because **my confidence came from knowing what I was doing and who I am.**

10.1.1.18 Early Years of Philip Emeagwali in the USA

My first night in the USA was spent alone in 36 Butler Hall, Monmouth, Oregon, and on Sunday, March 24, 1974. I was then nineteen years old. I was the supercomputer scientist **in-training** that **emigrated** from Onitsha (Nigeria), a commercial city

in the heart of sub-Saharan Africa.
I came alone to Oregon
in the heartland
of the Pacific Northwest region
of the **USA**. I came and became
the mathematician that discovered
new mathematical knowledge.
Over the following decade and a half,
I grew and evolved and found myself
beyond the farthest frontier
of high-performance
computational mathematics.
Computing across millions of processors
was the jagged, multidisciplinary frontier
of supercomputer knowledge.
For the sixteen years,
between my supercomputer research
in Corvallis (Oregon)
and Los Alamos (New Mexico),
I felt like an explorer
that walked alone with a **dim lamp**
and along a small road

that was the Holy Grail
to the world's **fastest** computing.

10.1.1.19 I Contributed Fastest Computing to Physics

During my sixteen year-long quest
for how to harness a million processors
and use them to power
the world's fastest computers,
I learned to distinguish
between **experiment** and **theory**,
between **theory** and **discovery**,
and between **fact** and **fiction**.
And I learned to know for the **first time**,
that **a theory is an idea
that is not positively true**.
In the decade that preceded 1989,
I **invented** supercomputer algorithms
grounded on mathematical equations
from the laws of physics.
Specifically, I **invented**

partial difference approximations
of large-scale computational linear algebra
that approximated
partial differential equations
of calculus
that encoded the Second Law of Motion
of physics
that was discovered
three centuries earlier.

I **invented** equations of mathematics
grounded on the laws of physics and

I **heard and trusted my inner voices**
that were **almost drowned**
in a **cacophony of secondary voices.**

Thank you.

I'm Philip Emeagwali.

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Google suggests the greatest computer scientists of all times. With the number one spot, Philip Emeagwali is the most suggested computer pioneer for school biography reports across the USA, Canada, UK, and Africa (December 8, 2021).



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vint cerf father of the internet

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leonard kleinrock father of the internet

nigerian father of the internet

bob kahn father of the internet

npr father of the internet

african father of the internet

father of the internet **al gore**

Google suggests the most noted fathers of the Internet. With four out of ten searches, Philip Emeagwali is the most suggested “father of the Internet” for schools across the USA, Canada, UK, and Africa (Labor Day 2019).



I Contributed Fastest Computing to Physics

Transcript of Philip Emeagwali YouTube
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Philip Emeagwali

The Reader's Digest described Philip Emeagwali as “smarter than Albert Einstein.” Philip Emeagwali is often ranked as the world's greatest living genius and scientist. He is listed in the top 20 greatest minds that ever lived. That list includes Charles Darwin, Isaac Newton,

William Shakespeare, Leonardo da Vinci, Aristotle, Pythagoras, and Confucius. Philip Emeagwali is studied in schools as a living historical figure.

In 1989, Philip Emeagwali rose to fame when he won a recognition described as the Nobel Prize of Supercomputing and made the news headlines for his invention of the first world's fastest computing across an Internet that's a global network of processors. *CNN* called him "A Father of the Internet." *House Beautiful* magazine ranked his invention among nine important everyday things taken for granted. In a White House speech of August 26, 2000, then U.S. President Bill Clinton described Philip Emeagwali as "one of the great minds of the Information Age."

Why I Invented the Nine Philip Emeagwali Equations

Forecasting the Weather Inside the Earth

10.1.1.1 Philip Emeagwali Impact on Mathematics

Thank you.

I'm Philip Emeagwali.

In 1989, I was in the **news** for **discovering** that the **slowest** processors could be used to solve the **biggest** problems arising in mathematics and physics. And find their answers at the **fastest** speeds.

The **fastest** computer is why you know the weather before going outside.

Briefly, my mathematical quest was to find how to solve the **toughest** problems that arise at the intersection of calculus and large-scale **geophysical** fluid dynamics, including solving the initial-boundary value problems known as global climate modelling and petroleum reservoir simulation. As a research mathematician

who came of age in the 1970s and 80s,
who is at the frontier of physics
and supercomputing,
my **grand challenge** in those two decades
was to be the **first person** to understand
how to solve
initial-boundary value problems
at the intersection
of **partial differential equations**
that are encoded in some laws of physics.
My **contribution** to mathematics is this:
I was the **first** large-scale
computational physicist.
And the **first person**
to solve initial-boundary value problems
across a new Internet.
My new knowledge
of the world's fastest computer
is used to understand the spread
and treatment of COVID-19.
I visualized my Internet
as a **new** global network of

the **slowest processors** in the world.

I theorized that my Internet could be harnessed and used to execute the fastest computing in the world.

For sixteen years, following June 1974, and from Corvallis (Oregon) to Los Alamos (New Mexico), the **naysayers** forced me to conduct my fastest supercomputer research alone.

In the early 1980s,

I was often **disinvited**

from giving supercomputing lectures.

And only **disinvited** after they discovered that I was Black and African.

I invented

the nine Philip Emeagwali **li** equations.

And I did so from scratch,

or first principles,

called the Second Law of Motion of physics.

My system of nine coupled, nonlinear, and time-dependent **partial differential equations** governs initial-boundary value problems that must be used to model the **subterranean** motions of crude oil, injected water, and natural gas flowing up to **7.7 miles** (or 12.4 kilometers) deep. And flowing below the surface of the Earth and within an oil producing field that's often the size of **Ibadan** (Nigeria). The world's fastest computer is like a telescope that's used to peer inside the **human DNA** or 7.7 miles deep inside an oil field.

10.1.1.2 The Soul of Compute-Intensive Physics

My quest was for new knowledge that will enable me to parallel process

computational fluid dynamics codes used to model the weather of up to **7.7 miles** (or 12.4 kilometers) **below the surface of the Earth.**

This **Grand Challenge Problem**

is the poster girl

of compute-intensive physics.

In 1989, I was in the news

as the **first person** to discover

how to divide the biggest problems in mathematics and physics.

And divide each grand challenge problem into up to one billion

lesser challenging problems

that can then be solved across

as many processors,

or with a one-problem

to one-processor correspondence.

For my specific experiments

across the world's slowest processors

in which I recorded

the world's fastest computing

and did so at 8:15 in the morning
of July 4, 1989,

I visualized my sixty-five thousand
five hundred and thirty-six [65,536]

equal reservoir models
as Oil Field Number One,
Oil Field Number Two,
all the way to

Oil Field Number 65,536.

I visualized a one-oil-field
to one-processor correspondence.

I executed that one-to-one mapping
between those oil fields
and as many processors
that shared nothing.

My processors were equal distances apart.
And each processor operated
its operating system.

My processor-to-processor
email directions were that:

Oil Field Number One

is directly and **bidirectionally** connected to Oil Field Number Two.

Oil Field Number Two

is directly and **bidirectionally** connected to Oil Field Number Three.

I continued to directly and **bidirectionally** connect all nearest oil fields.

But the last,

or Oil Field Number sixty-five thousand five hundred and thirty-six [**65,536**]

is directly and **bidirectionally** and **circularly**

connected to Oil Field Number One.

My one-to-one mapping was at the core of my discovery of the world's fastest computing, as we know it today.

I was in the news because I discovered how to hindcast the weather

eight miles inside the Earth.

10.1.1.3 The Weather Eight Miles Inside the Earth

The **polymath** knows more sciences than the mathematician.

And understands *a priori*

that the calculus

that governs the short-term “**weather**”

below the surface of the Earth

have **identical** partial derivative terms

as the calculus

that governs the long-term “**weather**”

above the surface of the Earth

The reason for the mathematical **similarity**

is that both are

computational fluid dynamics problems

grounded

on the **partial *differential*** equation

of calculus

and on the **partial *difference*** equation

of linear algebra, and in part, because the dependent and independent variables are similar.

Accurate weather forecasts are generated with supercomputers. And are critical to protecting life and property.

Back from September 1, 1981, through August 1986,

I lived a 15-minute stroll from the **Gramax Heliport Building** in Silver Spring, Maryland.

The Gramax Building was the then headquarters of the **U.S.** National Weather Service.

During those five years, and from Mondays through Fridays, I stopped each morning and spent five hours with hydrologists and meteorologists.

During my five years with those research meteorologists, I was inspired to look into the finite difference **discretizations** of the **primitive equations** of meteorology that were used by the **U.S. National Weather Service** and used to forecast the weather.

In the early 1980s and in College Park, Maryland, I **discovered** that the grand challenge problems of hindcasting the weather underneath the Earth and forecasting the weather above the Earth are governed by initial-boundary value problems that look similar. Yet, for a century the geologist and the meteorologist

was not aware of that similarity.
That ignorance robbed both fields
the benefit of **cross-fertilizations**
of their discoveries.

The computational fluid dynamics model
that I executed across
my ensemble of 65,536 processors
was the **most difficult** problem
in supercomputing.

It was an initial-boundary value problem
posed across a new Internet
that I defined as a new global network
of 65,536 processors that **shared nothing**.

In the 1980s, the U.S. government
classified this problem
as a grand challenge.

And did so, in part, because
it's solution demands
a billion dollar supercomputer
that occupies the footprint of a football
field
and that then existed

only in the realm of **science fiction**.
As a mathematician and physicist
who grew over the 1970s and 80s
to become the **first programmer**
of the **first supercomputer**,
as it's known today
and as it's expected to be known tomorrow.
I know from first-hand experience
that it was harder
to solve an initial-boundary value problem
and solve it across millions of processors
than to merely pose the problem
on one blackboard.
The former is the solution
discovered by the polymath.
The latter is the question
asked by the mathematician.

It's easier to ask a question
than to answer it.

As a mathematician

searching for new calculus and new algebra,
I looked for
and made use of patterns
and structures
from disparate fields
of human knowledge.

10.1.1.4 The Importance of Physics to Nigeria

A few years ago, I posed a question meant for the Joint Admissions and Matriculation Board of Nigeria, or JAMB, for short:

“What is the importance of physics in the development of Nigeria?”

The supercomputer must be used to tackle the biggest and the most difficult problems

of tomorrow.

In the 1980s, the precursor to the world's fastest computer was confined to crunching massive amounts of data from my large-scale computational fluid dynamics simulations. My computational physics across millions of processors must be used to locate energy deposits.

Please allow me to quote myself from a lecture that I delivered in the 1980s.

“In petroleum reservoir simulations executed for the oil fields of Nigeria, the dependent variables are the **compressibility** of the fluids, pressure, **fluid partial molar volume**, saturation, **phase partial molar volume**, total fluid velocity, as well as

source and sink terms.

Such terms include water injection wells and crude oil and natural gas producing wells.

To derive the system of equations of extreme-scale computational linear algebra within

compositional reservoir simulators used for enhanced oil recovery processes that must be parallel processed across an ensemble of processors demands that the governing system of coupled, nonlinear, time-dependent, and three-dimensional partial differential equations be discretized with one of three finite difference techniques.

The first technique is known as the Implicit Pressure Explicit Composition method.

This finite difference approximation

has small-time steps
and the least computation time
per time step.

The second technique is known as the
Implicit Pressure and Saturation method.

This finite difference approximation
is more stable
and handles larger time steps.

The third technique is known as the
Fully Implicit Method.

This finite difference approximation
is the most stable
and handles the largest time steps.”

I became a supercomputer scientist
after putting in my time-in-grade.

My due diligence that yielded
the world's fastest computing
occurred daily.

And it occurred during my half century
of supercomputing
that was onward of June 20, 1974,

in Corvallis, Oregon, USA.

I'm the subject of school essays because I was the **first person** to figure out how to solve the **most difficult** problems at the crossroad where new mathematics, new physics, and the world's fastest computing **intersected**.

Such grand challenge problems could only be solved on supercomputers, **if and only if**, the number of processors harnessed is sufficiently large.

10.1.1.5 The Importance of Supercomputers to Nigeria

“What's the importance of supercomputers to Nigeria?”

A Nigeria without supercomputing is a Nigeria with reduced petroleum revenue.

In retrospect, the world's fastest computer suffered from the curse of **rising expectations**.

The unorthodox supercomputer of 1989, that had only myself as its only full-time programmer, **reset itself**

to become the conventional user-friendly supercomputer that now has a thousand simultaneous users.

The **Grand Challenge Problem** of supercomputing is a **tough question** that the petroleum industry must answer. Their answer

must lift the common citizen in Nigeria from poverty.

The answer must be **grounded** several miles deep inside the oil fields of the Niger Delta region of southern Nigeria.

That oil field covers the area the size of a town.

In Nigeria, extreme-scale petroleum reservoir simulators are used to **discover** and **recover** otherwise elusive crude oil and natural gas.

Weather Forecasting: From Fiction to Fact

10.1.1.6 Turning Supercomputer Fiction to Fact

On the Fourth of July 1989, I became the **first person** to understand how to **solve**

a **Grand Challenge Problem**.

And how to solve it across
a **new** ensemble of processors
that surrounded a globe
as a new Internet
that's a new global network
of processors.

That was how

I became the **first person**
to **figure out** how to solve
the **Grand Challenge Problem**
of supercomputing.

And how to solve it across
a **never-before-visualized Internet**
that's a new spherical island
of one binary **million**,
or one binary **billion**,
off-the-shelf processors
that were coupled.

And which were equal distances apart.

And **that shared nothing**.

The difference between each of the 25,000 vector supercomputer scientists of the 1970s and 80s and myself was this:

I had the **self-confidence** to tackle the **most difficult** mathematical problems in supercomputing.

And to solve those **once-impossible** problems alone but only aided by my ensemble of 65,536 processors that computed in tandem.

I visualized my **new Internet** as encircling a globe in the manner the Internet encircles the Earth.

In 1989, I was in the **news** as the mathematician that harnessed

the **first** supercomputer,
as it's known today,
to solve such difficult problems.
I solved them
when every mathematician said that
their mathematical solutions
were **impossible**, even across
an ensemble of a billion processors.

10.1.1.7 Formulating Equations for Weather Forecasting

At all times
and for the **Grand Challenge Problems**,
I was **cognizant** of the fact
that calculus and algebra
were the two recurring decimals
on my blackboard and motherboard,
respectively.
Prior to the parallel processing
of my computational fluid dynamics
problem,

I had to discretize
a system of governing
partial differential equations
of calculus,
called the primitive equations
of weather forecasting.
That was how I invented
my finite difference algorithms
of the algebra of weather forecasting.
Those algorithms
are the sets of computational steps
or the floating-point
arithmetic operations
that must be solved
at the extreme-scale algebraic core
of the compute-intensive problem
at the core of weather forecasting.
That was how
your evening weather forecast
used the Second Law of Motion
of physics
to predict the motions

of atmospheric flows and compute dependent variables and present them as sequences of **contoured fields**. The remaining equations used in weather forecasting include **the hypsometric equation** that was derived from the hydrostatic equation and the ideal gas law. It also includes the **thermodynamic energy** equation, or the first law of **thermodynamics**, that states that the change in **internal energy** is equal to the **heat** added minus the **work done**, and the continuity equation. Often, the mathematical formulation of the primitive equations of weather forecasting yields a system of five equations

with five dependent variables that include the fluid velocity relative to the rotating Earth, the density, and the pressure.

10.1.1.8 Inventing the Nine Philip Emeagwali Equations

A supercomputer that sells for one billion dollars is more complex than a novel that sells for twenty dollars. My **contributions** to science cannot be published in science journals that has page limits. Nor can it be explained as a short memo to The White House. A memo can only convey a vague, but not fully formed idea. The supercomputer, or internet, cannot be described within six pages or one hour lecture.

For that reason,
I described my **contributions**
to the world's fastest computing.
I did so across
a series of one thousand podcasts
and YouTube videos.

Writing my life story and contributions
to the world's fastest computing
and doing so without dwelling
on the nine **partial differential equations**
that I invented—in the early 1980s
and while in College Park,
Maryland—will be like producing the play
Hamlet
without the Prince of Denmark.
I invented
nine new **partial differential equations**
for mathematical
and computational physics
that are called
the Philip Emeagwali **li** equations.

The partial differential equation is the **pinnacle** of mathematical physics. The supercomputer is to the partial differential equation what the telescope is to astronomy. The **new** partial differential equations that I **invented** and that I **figured out** how to solve across the new Internet that I **invented** was the cover story of top mathematics publications. Those publications include the May 1990 issue of the *SIAM News* published by the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics. My new **partial differential equations** made the **news headlines** because the **new** parallel-processed mathematical computations which I **executed** across my **new Internet** that was a **new** global network of

65,536 processors were **science fiction** to the community of research computational mathematicians of 1989.

My **contributions** to mathematical knowledge were newsworthy because it was then **impossible** to parallel process and to solve at the fastest computer speeds the **partial differential equations** of extreme-scale mathematical physics. The nine **partial differential equations** which I **invented** were **credited** to me because they had never been scribbled across any blackboard or printed in any textbook or written in any known notebook.

10.1.1.9 Understanding Philip Emeagwali Equations in Prose

Because I **invented**
those nine **partial differential equations**,
I knew them **forward** and **backward**
and even **sideways**.

For that reason, I delivered
my mathematical lectures
of the 1980s and now
in prose and **without notes**
or **blackboards**.

Across YouTube,
I'm the only mathematician
that delivered his
partial differential equations
without PowerPoints.

It was noted in YouTube commentaries
that I was the only mathematician
who delivered his mathematical lectures
to leading mathematicians
and delivered them

in **prose** and **poetry**
and delivered original
partial differential equations
without notes.

I delivered my **new**
partial differential equations
without notes,
and I did so when other
research computational mathematicians
buried their faces
on their blackboards
scribbled with
partial differential equations
and scribbled with companion
partial difference equations
all **borrowed from textbooks.**

How Did Philip Emeagwali Impact the World Today?

Solving the Most Difficult Problems in Mathematics

10.1.1.10 Supercomputing Fiction into Fact

Before February 1, 1922,
theorized parallel processing **existed**
as a blank sheet of paper,
or as science fiction.

Before July 4, 1989,
the parallel-processed **ed** solutions
of the most compute-intensive problems
only existed as **science fiction**.

To **discover** that the fastest computer
can be built with the **slowest** processors
was **news headlines** because
the invention
shook the world of supercomputers.

Before my experiment of July 4, 1989
that made the **news headlines**,
the evidence
that supported the technique

and technology
of parallel supercomputing
was **thin** to **non-existent**.

10.1.1.11 How I Invented the Fastest Computer

As a supercomputer scientist,
my research quest was to invent
the world's fastest computer.
And to invent
how to compute across processors.
And **compress** times-to-solution
of initial-boundary value problems
that arise when solving
the most compute-intensive problems,
such as global climate modeling
to foresee long-term global warming.
In 1989, I was in the news because
I **discovered** how to **compress**
the times-to-solution
that was needed to solve

the most compute-intensive problems in science, engineering, and medicine.

My **contributions** to the development of the computer were these:

I **discovered** how to **compress** the time needed to solve the most compute-intensive problems that were once **impossible to solve**.

And how to solve them by sending and receiving emails and communicating along my new global network of **1,048,576** email wires.

My initial-boundary value problems of mathematical and computational physics were sent to and received from **an ensemble of 65,536** coupled processors,

in which each processor operated its operating system and **shared nothing** between nearest-neighboring processors.

10.1.1.12 The Eureka Moment I Discovered the Fastest Computer

Parallel processing creates more **Eureka! Moments**, such as in the world's fastest computer that harnesses 10.65 million off-the-shelf processors and uses those processors to solve the most compute-intensive problems. Within the world's fastest computer, parallel processing is the **vital technology used** to reduce the time-to-solution from thirty thousand [**30,000**] years, or 10.65 million days, of sequential processing

on one central processing unit
to merely one day
of supercomputing across 10.65 million
central processing units.

10.1.1.13 Equations Used to Forecast the Weather

In one form of the primitive equations,
or the system of hyperbolic
partial differential equations,
that governs
the difficult mathematical problem
of extreme-scale weather forecasting,
the dependent variables
are the zonal velocity
in the east to west direction
that is tangent to the sphere,
the meridional velocity
in the north to south direction
that is tangent to the sphere,

the vertical velocity
in **isobaric coordinates**,
the **precipitable** water,
the **Exner** function
(**or non-dimensionalized pressure**),
the potential temperature,
the gas constant, the pressure,
the specific heat
on a constant pressure surface,
the heat flow per unit time
per unit mass,
the **temperature**, the **geopotential**,
and the term for the **Coriolis** force.

What separated the serial
and parallel paradigms
of the world's fastest computing
is not the difficulty of the problems
they solved
but how they solved it.

10.1.1.14 Weather Equations in Prose

Your weather forecast was enabled by the parallel-processed initial-boundary value problem based on the primitive equations of meteorology. Each equation was a balance equation that accounted for something, such as where fluids come from or go to and how the total fluid changes in time and space. The first of the six primitive equations encode the law of conservation of mass. The second, third, and fourth partial differential equation of the primitive equations encodes the law of conservation of momentum. The fifth partial differential equation of the primitive equations

expresses the relationship between the temperature to heat sources and sinks. The general circulation model is a climate model based on the general circulation of the Earth's atmosphere and oceans. The climate model is an ensemble of millions of parallel-processed initial-boundary value problems of calculus, each governed by the primitive equations of meteorology. This system of coupled, nonlinear, time-dependent, and three-dimensional partial differential equations encoded some laws of physics and chemistry. To parallel process the global climate model, the supercomputer scientist must chop up the extreme-scale mathematical problem

into millions of smaller three-dimensional models. Each small global climate model computes in tandem the wind speeds, heat transfer, relative humidity, radiation, and surface hydrology within itself.

And it must exchange boundary value data with the nearest-neighboring global climate models that were executed within the as many processors.

I **discovered** how to **slice** and **dice** grand challenge initial-boundary value mathematical problems.

And massively parallel computing them in smaller chunks. And **aggregating** them for the complete results.

My **discovery** of the world's **fastest** computing across the world's **slowest** processors

made the **news headlines** because it was a big step towards the invention of super-fast computers computing at the speed limit. The world's fastest computer costs forty percent more than the mile-long Second Niger Bridge of Nigeria.

Why Are Supercomputers Important in Climate Modeling?

10.1.1.15 A World Without Supercomputers

Why are supercomputers important in climate modelling?

The world's fastest computer is used for the most detailed mathematical calculations,

such as predicting
long-term global warming.

What is a world without supercomputers?

The world's fastest computer
is used to solve problems
that did not exist before.

The world's fastest computer
costs one billion, two hundred
and **fifty** million dollars.

Or the equivalent of 25,000 **man-years**
with each man paid 50,000 dollars per
year.

For this reason, a full-time
computer science instructor
that conducts part-time research
aided by only three
twenty-year-old students
cannot construct
the world's fastest computer.

A state-of-the-art computer is a billion times more powerful than the everyday computer. The fastest computer in the world is far more complex than the spacecraft that took men to the moon. The development of the most powerful computer demands up to 25,000 pairs of hands and as many brains.

On the Fourth of July 1989, I recorded the highest **speedup** and the fastest **speed** in supercomputing. That scientific **discovery** led to my conclusion that supercomputing across the **slowest** one billion processors could become the technology that can yield a factor of one billion-fold reduction

in the wall-clock times of the most compute-intensive problems. Such grand challenge problems include global climate models that must be used to foresee otherwise unforeseeable long-term global warming. Without parallel supercomputing, it would take centuries to foresee climatic changes.

10.1.1.16 Climate Models Exist Only Within Supercomputers

What is the difference between the global climate model and the general circulation model?

The general circulation model simulates the circulation of the atmosphere.

A global climate model

might be based on
a **general circulation model**.
The **global climate model**
is used to predict what will happen
in the Earth's climate
in the coming centuries.
The **climate in London**
is the average weather in London
for over thirty years.

10.1.1.17 My Contribution of Parallel Supercomputing to Meteorology

My mathematical **contributions**
to the solution of the primitive equations
used to forecast
your evening weather were these:

I **discovered** how to parallel process
and **compress** the time needed
to solve that **Grand Challenge Problem**
of weather forecasting

that is an extreme-scale initial-boundary value problem of computational physics.

I discovered that with 10.65 million processes computing in parallel that a time-to-solution of 10.65 million days, 30,000 years, dropped to one day of time-to-solution across a new Internet that's a new spherical island of ten binary million processors. Without parallel supercomputing, tomorrow's weather forecast will be issued 30,000 years later.

10.1.1.18 Parallel Supercomputing Was Rejected in Debate of 1967

A famous debate on the future of the parallel supercomputer

took place between April 18 to 20, 1967, and at the Spring Joint Computer Conference, in Atlantic City, New Jersey. After that debate, the consensus was that parallel supercomputing will **forever remain an enormous waste of everybody's time.**

That debate was between IBM's Gene Amdahl, who **opposed** parallel supercomputing, and Daniel Slotnick, who **proposed** parallel supercomputing.

Gene Amdahl who designed the world's most successful single-processor computer, named IBM's System 360, won that debate.

And his victory gave rise to the famed Amdahl's Law that later entered into supercomputer textbooks. Amdahl's Law decreed that

it would be **wasteful** to design supercomputers that are powered by eight or more processors. According to Amdahl's Law, an infinite number of processors will be **wasteful** and will not yield an **infinite increase** in the speed of the parallel supercomputer. Amdahl's Law was the reason fewer than eight processors were incorporated into the supercomputers of the 1960s through 80s. On July 4, 1989, I **discovered** the new supercomputing knowledge of the **world's fastest computing across the world's slowest processors**. That **contribution** is the reason I'm the subject of school essays

on computer history.

10.1.1.19 Contributions of Philip Emeagwali to Mathematics

On my blackboard,
I used the most advanced expressions
from the frontier of calculus
and computational fluid dynamics.
Those expressions are called
partial differential equations.

Partial differential equations
are used to foresee
the motions arising during **plate tectonic,**
supernovas, and **tornadoes.**
Partial differential equations
are used to design
superconducting magnets
for **superconducting super colliders.**
Partial differential equations
are used to study the transport of **ions**

across kidney membranes.
An **ion** is an atom or molecule with a net electric charge arising from the loss or gain of electrons. But by far, the most important and the most frequently occurring **partial differential equations** are those that encode laws of physics, such as the conservation laws for matter, momentum, energy, and chemical species. The laws of conservation are the **common denominators** in many initial-boundary value **problems**, such as those arising in extreme-scaled, **parallelized** computational fluid dynamics, such as modeling hurricanes and tornadoes to protect life and property. And the design of hypersonic aircraft,

quiet submarines,
and efficient automobile bodies.
In the fluid dynamics of the Earth,
the solutions of the governing
partial differential equations
are the mathematical descriptions
of both the **oceanic**
and the **atmospheric** flow patterns.
That mathematical and computational
solution is simply called
the short-term weather forecast.
Or the long-term global warming
prediction.
The formal mathematical name
for this
is initial-boundary value problem.
It's a boundary value
problem because
the Earth's surface is its lower boundary
while the Earth's upper atmosphere—that
is 62 miles (or **100** kilometers)

above the Earth's surface—
is its upper boundary.

10.1.1.20 How Are Supercomputers Used?

The world's fastest computing
is the key technology
that must be used to address
the **grave existential threats**
of the twenty-first century.

The **biggest threat** to life on Earth
is to understand the **abstract**
and **seemingly invisible**
global climate change.

We lack the **visceral understanding**
of the urgency of global warming.

In the long run, the proximity
of the climate crisis
is worse than

any **global pandemic** and **economic**

collapse

we can imagine.

Parallel supercomputing

that was once confined

to solving compute-intensive

initial-boundary value problems

is now used to solve mathematical

problems

that arise across many industries.

The world's fastest computers

are used to foresee

long-term global **warming**,

reduce the **energy crisis** of the world,

search for **extraterrestrial intelligence**,

understand **how living cells function**,

map the **human genome**, kill **diseases**,

and speed up the search

for **new antiviral drugs**

and for new **vaccines**

with the least side effects.

I **invented** the **blueprint** that's used to design the **first supercomputer**, as it's known today and as it could be known tomorrow.

My **discovery** which occurred on July 4, 1989, **opened the door** to the world's **fastest** computers that compute across an ensemble of up to one billion processors. What happened in 1989 was that I **invented** something that was waiting for me.

My **contribution** to the development of the computer is this:

I was in the **news** for **discovering** that the world's **fastest** computers

can be manufactured from **standard parts**, known as off-the-shelf processors, including from the world's **slowest** processors.

My supercomputer invention made the **news headlines** because it provided the answer to the **most pressing question** at the crossroad where mathematics, physics, and computing **intersected**.

After my **discovery**, it became possible to simulate long-term global warming and do so faster and across up to a billion processors.

Today, the world's fastest computers are powered by up to ten million processors.

The reason is that ten million processors powering a supercomputer

makes it possible to obtain a more detailed and realistic global climate models that must be used to foresee century-long climate changes.

“Why is the fastest computing across the slowest processors a critical and enabling technology? And what is the contribution of Philip Emeagwali?”

My contribution to the development of the computer is this:

I discovered how to populate the world's fastest computers with a billion processors that shared nothing, but were in dialogue with each other.

And I **discovered** how to solve the hardest problems.

And solve them by chopping them up into a billion smaller problems that can then be solved **in tandem**.

I **discovered** that **rapid**-fire speed that's the **first** world's **fastest** computing to be executed across the world's **slowest** processors and **discovered** it as **modular**.

Therefore, the supercomputing technology can be repeated **a billion fold** to gain as much speed increase.

In a different perspective, if all our high-resolution, three-dimensional, and time-dependent computational fluid dynamics simulations were represented by one **uninterrupted** simulation that's executed within one processor, then our **prehuman ancestors**,

who used the **first stone tools**,
may have had to start
our supercomputer simulation
and started it **three million years** ago
so that we can have their answer today.
That technological feat
called for a civilization on Earth
that **preexisted** before humans.

Thank you.

I'm Philip Emeagwali.

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Google suggests the greatest computer scientists of all times. With the number one spot, Philip Emeagwali is the most suggested computer pioneer for school biography reports across the USA, Canada, UK, and Africa (December 8, 2021).



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philip emeagwali father of the internet

tim berners lee father of the internet

vint cerf father of the internet

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leonard kleinrock father of the internet

nigerian father of the internet

bob kahn father of the internet

npr father of the internet

african father of the internet

father of the internet **al gore**

Google suggests the most noted fathers of the Internet. With four out of ten searches, Philip Emeagwali is the most suggested “father of the Internet” for schools across the USA, Canada, UK, and Africa (Labor Day 2019).



The First Supercomputer Invented from the Slowest Processorsⁱⁱ

Transcript of Philip Emeagwali YouTube
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Philip Emeagwali

The Reader's Digest described Philip Emeagwali as "smarter than Albert Einstein." Philip Emeagwali is often ranked as the world's greatest living genius and scientist. He is listed in the top 20 greatest minds that ever lived. That list includes Charles Darwin, Isaac Newton, William Shakespeare, Leonardo da Vinci, Aristotle, Pythagoras, and Confucius. Philip Emeagwali is studied in schools as a living historical figure.

In 1989, Philip Emeagwali rose to fame when he won a recognition described as the Nobel Prize of Supercomputing and made the news headlines for his invention of the first world's fastest computing across an Internet that's a global network of processors. *CNN* called him "A Father of the Internet." *House Beautiful* magazine ranked his invention among nine important everyday things taken for granted. In a White House speech of August 26, 2000, then U.S. President Bill Clinton described Philip Emeagwali as "one of the great minds of the Information Age."

Thank you.

I'm Philip Emeagwali

Crossing New Frontiers

Father of the Internet

10.1.1.1 The First Supercomputer

The supercomputer that is powered by millions of processors is the lifeblood of science, engineering, and medicine.

Yet, the world's fastest computers are taken for granted and undervalued.

In 1989, I was in the news for discovering that the slowest processors could be used

to solve the biggest problems.

And find their answers at the fastest speeds.

The fastest computer is why you know the weather before going outside.

Philip Emeagwali Computer

Ordinary Person Who Found the Extraordinary

10.1.1.2 “Are You a Black Genius?”

Shortly after 1989, a 12-year-old writing an essay asked me:

“Are you a Black genius?”

The genius is the ordinary person that found the extra-ordinary in the ordinary.

My father is a genius because he insisted that I solve one hundred mathematics problems every evening. And solve them faster than one problem per minute. At that speed,

I was one of the fastest human computers in Nigeria. And that daily exercise **foreshadowed** my world's fastest computing of July 4, 1989.

In 1989, I was in the news for **discovering** how to solve the most compute-intensive problems at the **intersection** of calculus, algebra, physics, and computing.

I was in the **news** for **discovering** how to solve the most compute-intensive problems. And solve them at the fastest recorded computer speeds. And solve them with the **slowest** processors in the world.

In 1960, in Sapele (Nigeria, British West Africa), I came last in my first-grade examinations, and last in mathematics.

I dreaded mathematics.

But my father demanded that I study twenty times longer than my classmates.

After five years of daily practice in the late weekday afternoons, I was solving one hundred arithmetical problems an hour.

In comparison, my primary school classmates were solving only five problems each school morning.

I studied twenty times harder to become only twice better.

The genius is the below average person that worked hard to become above average.

10.1.1.3 Geniuses Contribute to Knowledge

It's a myth that only persons possessing the highest IQs can contribute new knowledge to science. Brilliance is a necessary condition for inventing faster computers. And for solving unsolved problems at the frontiers of mathematical knowledge.

But brilliance, in and of itself, is not a sufficient condition for experimentally **discovering** how millions of the world's **slowest** processors could be harnessed and used to execute the world's fastest computing.

And solve the hardest problems in mathematics.

I was in the news because

I discovered that solving up to a billion problems at once

enables supercomputers
to be up to a billion times faster
than computers.

That's how I invented
the technology that enables
the world's fastest computers
to be fastest.

It's one thing
to have exclusive control
of 65,536 processors
that could make a supercomputer fastest.

It's another thing
to visualize those ensembles of processors
as a new Internet.

It's another thing
to envision routing emails
across a new Internet defined and outlined
by one binary million, or 1,048,576,

bidirectional email wires
that were regular and short
and equal distances apart.

It's another thing

to understand how those email wires **married** those processors together.

And **married** them

as one seamless, coherent, and gigantic processor.

The world's most powerful supercomputer is like a **wristwatch**.

You only see the face and the hands of a **wristwatch**.

The unseen inside of the **wristwatch** is **abstract but necessary**.

My unseen ensemble of 65,536 processors were like the inside of the **wristwatch** that is **abstract but necessary**.

10.1.1.4 Inventing Philip Emeagwali Computer

My ensemble of 65,536 processors that **shared nothing** didn't solve the as many compute-intensive problems

of computational physics
and didn't solve them by themselves.

A central processing unit

is like a coffin that's merely a box
until you put somebody inside it.

I used those

1,048,576 regular, short,
and equidistant email wires
to send emails to and from processors.

And I used them to deliver

the most compute-intensive problems
of mathematical physics

that I subdivided into 65,536

smaller, less compute-intensive problems.

And to deliver their companion instructions
on how to solve those smaller problems.

And to deliver the smaller problems

with a one-problem to one-processor
correspondence.

And do so to all 65,536

central processing units

that outlined my new Internet

that's a supercomputer, in reality.
That ensemble
of sixty-four binary thousand processors
was my laboratory instrument
that made it possible
for me to discover
how parallel processing
enables computers to be faster.
And discover why
the new technology enables
the world's fastest computers
to be **fastest**.

**What did Philip Emeagwali contribute
to the development of the computer?**

The processor is the brain
of your computer.
My contribution is like having
one thousand brains
in your computer.

My invention is like powering
the world's fastest computer
with one billion brains.

As the inventor
of the Philip Emeagwali Computer,
I had to know, *a priori*, the topology,
or the locations, of each processor
within my ensemble
of processors.

And know where every processor,
or electronic brain, is located.

And know those locations,
both forward and backward.

And know them with the completeness
an airline pilot

had to know the geography of Nigeria
to fly from Lagos to Abuja.

I visualized short email wires
for processor-to-processor
email communications.

I visualized them as comprising of email wires printed onto circuit boards.

I visualized long email wires that comprised of fiber-optic cables, or electric cables.

Furthermore, I visualized my ensemble of processors

as communicating and computing

together

and doing both

as one seamless, coherent,

and giant processor

that's the **world's fastest**.

Not only that, I visualized using commodity, or large numbers of available,

processors

designed for computers.

That was in contrast to using a few

custom-made vector processors

that were designed for the fastest

supercomputers

of the 1970s and 80s.

10.1.1.5 Contributions of Philip Emeagwali to Mathematics

My **contribution** to computer science is that I made the unimaginable possible.

And I did so

when I **discovered** how to encode the laws of physics

into the **partial differential equations** of calculus

that I **discretized**

into systems of equations of algebra

that I **coded** and **solved** across a new Internet.

I **invented** my new Internet

as a new global network of **coupled** 65,536 central processing units

that **shared nothing**.

In supercomputing, to **discover** or **invent**

is to show that
the impossible-to-solve
is possible-to-solve.
And to apply that new
supercomputer knowledge
to get answers
to previously unanswerable questions.
And thus discover
the extraordinary in the ordinary.

The genius is the ordinary person
that found the extraordinary
in the ordinary.

I executed the world's fastest computing
to know what's discoverable
and knowable and know something
which nobody knows.

To witness a scientific discovery
that has rich, fertile,
and far-reaching consequences
is like walking into a forest

and witnessing many leaves
fall on your head.

I'm an African Mathematician of the
Supercomputer Age

A Black Mathematician in the
Supercomputer Age

Leading mathematicians
first learned about Philip Emeagwali
when my **contributions** to extreme-scale
computational linear algebra
arising from the **discretizations**
of the **partial differential equations**
of calculus.

My contributions
to large-scale computational physics
became the front-page story
of the May 1990 issue
of the *SIAM News*. The *SIAM News*
is where **new contributions**

to mathematical knowledge
are described by mathematicians
and for mathematicians.

As a Black mathematician
born in colonial Africa,
I was compelled to invent new
mathematics while conducting research
alone.

I'm different from
modern mathematicians
of European ancestry.

I'm different because
I perform my arithmetic computations
in parallel, or multiply 65,536
pairs of numbers **at once**.

I'm different because
modern mathematicians
perform their arithmetic computations
and do so in sequence,
or multiply two numbers at a time.

I'm different from the pure mathematician
who uses the blackboard

as his mathematical canvas.
I'm different because
I'm a large-scale computational
mathematician
who **abandoned** his blackboard.
And embraced a new Internet
that he **invented** as a new global network
of
sixty-four binary thousand processors
that each had its dedicated memory.
I embraced up to a billion processors
as my mathematical canvases.
I'm different from the
applied mathematician
that applies a real-world
mathematical problem
—such as a global climate model
that must be used to foresee
global warming.
I applied the global climate model
as my backdrop
for my global network of processors.

I'm different because
I applied both the mathematics
and the problem
as the backdrops
to the new Internet I invented
as a new global network of
sixty-four binary thousand
central processing units.
I'm different
from the computational mathematician
who only uses the motherboard
as his mathematical canvas.
I'm different because
I used a new Internet
that's not a computer, by itself.
I used the world's fastest computer
as my new mathematical canvas.

10.1.1.6 Contributions of Philip Emeagwali to Mathematics

What is the contribution of Philip Emeagwali to mathematics?

I changed the way mathematicians solve the **most difficult** problems arising in mathematics, physics, and computer science.

In my new way, the **hardest** problems are solved across up to a billion processors, instead of within only one processor.

That was a paradigm shift.

The lyrics of a song are sung, not read. If the lyric is meant for the microphone, not the page, then the largest-scaled system of equations of algebra is meant for the motherboard, not the blackboard.

Programming across
an ensemble of processors
demands message-passing,
or sending and receiving emails
from processor to processor.
My processor-to-processor
email instructions
are to me, its parallel programmer,
what the play
is to the Shakespearean actor.
Like the play,
my communication primitives
were acted upon, not read.
Large-scale algebra
is the recurring decimal
in large-scale computational physics.
I used the largest systems of equations
of algebra
that defined the **toughest problems**
in computational physics
and engineering as my **backdrops**,
or as my supercomputer testbed

grand challenge problems.

I challenged the established truth.

That established truth—of the 1980s and earlier—was that the slowest central processing units can't work together to solve the most compute-intensive problems in algebra or in large-scale computational physics and engineering.

The contributions of Philip Emeagwali to mathematics were these:

I changed the way we solve compute-intensive mathematical problems.

In the bygone way,

mathematicians computed
on merely one isolated
central processing unit
that wasn't a member
of an ensemble of processors,
or within merely one isolated computer
that wasn't a member
of an ensemble of computers.

In my modern way,
mathematicians compute across millions
of central processing units,
or across millions of computers.

10.1.1.7 The Philip Emeagwali Internet

What is the Philip Emeagwali Internet?

The **Eureka moment**, or high point,
of my quest
for the fastest computer in the world
occurred at fifteen minutes after 8 o'clock
in the morning

of July 4, 1989,
in Los Alamos, New Mexico, USA.
And it occurred inside my ensemble
of the **slowest** 65,536 processors
in the world.

I **invented** a new Internet
that was made up of
sixty-four binary thousand processors
(or, equivalently, 65,536 computers)
that were uniformly distributed across
the surface of a globe.
That new global network
of 65,536 processors
was my small copy of the Internet
that's also a global network of computers.

What is the Philip Emeagwali Internet?

Any global network
of processors, or computers,

that uniformly encircles a globe
in any dimension
is called the Philip Emeagwali Internet.

I'm the only father of the Internet
that invented an Internet.

In the 1980s, my processors communicated
via emails that contained 65,536
computational fluid dynamics codes
that I sent from up to
sixteen nearest-neighboring processors.
My computer codes and email primitives
were esoteric
and weren't meant to be read by humans.

I was in the news because I discovered
how to harness millions of
the slowest processors in the world.
And harness them

as one seamless, coherent, and gigantic unit that's the **world's fastest** computer, in reality.

How I Shrunk Thirty Thousand Years to One Day

10.1.1.8 My Struggles to Invent the World's Fastest Computing

In computer science, the most coveted achievement, **bar none**, is to **discover** how to record **once unrecorded speeds** in computations. And to apply that knowledge to solve the most compute-intensive problems in science, engineering, and medicine.

In the 1970s and 80s,
parallel processing
—or computing many things
at once,
instead of computing only one thing
at a time—
was **dismissed as a beautiful theory**
that lacked an
experimental confirmation.

In nineteen seventy-nine [**1979**],
parallel supercomputing
stood on a **shaky ground.**

In 1980, I was **dismissed**
from my research team
because I advocated
that the world's fastest computing
can be achieved from harnessing
the world's slowest processors.
At that time, I was seen
as a mathematician and a physicist
and an outsider to computer science.
For those reasons, they did not want me

to publish and speak
about parallel processing.
I was **deplatformed**
and remained voiceless,
until July 4, 1989.

In a syndicated article distributed
on September 2, 1985
and distributed to the print media
and distributed
by the United Press International, or UPI,
and in that article, John Rollwagen,
the president of
Cray Research Incorporated
that company that manufactured
seven in ten supercomputers,
described their use of **64 processors** as:
quote, unquote
“more than we bargained for.”

In the November 29, **1989**, issue
of *The New York Times*,

Neil Davenport, the president of Cray Computer Corporation—the sister company to the company that manufactured **seven in ten** supercomputers—warned that:

[quote]

“We can't find any real progress in harnessing the power of thousands of processors.”

[unquote]

10.1.1.9 How I Invented the Fastest Computer from the Slowest Processors

The fastest computer is one million times faster than your computer.

The fastest computer is the heavyweight champion of the computer world.

After my scientific discovery of how to record the fastest computer speeds and record them across the **slowest processors** in the world the technology of parallel processing was **reclassified** from an **unconfirmed** theory to **reality**.

Prior to my discovery that occurred on July 4, 1989, the supercomputer, as it's known today, was not a computer. And its market was **virtually non-existent**.

Parallel supercomputing—that was once the stone **widely rejected** as **rough** and **unsightly**, entered computer science textbooks and did so after my discovery which occurred on July 4, 1989, in Los Alamos, New Mexico, **USA**.

Parallel processing could power future quantum computers. Parallel supercomputing **changed our understanding** of the fastest computer in the world. And made it possible for me to harness a **new Internet** as my new global network of processors and as my new supercomputer *de facto*.

10.1.1.10 How the Supercomputer Became Super

For the decade of the 1980s, I sat alone staring at an **abandoned** computing machinery that everybody else **ridiculed** and **abandoned** as a tremendous waste of **everybody's time**.

There was no instruction manual on how to harness the power of the then never-before-seen supercomputer hopeful that was **abandoned** for me to program alone. Nor was there a help desk that could explain how I could synchronously send and receive sixty-four binary thousand emails. I **discovered** how to solve the most compute-intensive problems. And solve them across each of those central processing units. And solve them with **sixteen orders of magnitude** increase in supercomputer speed. I **visualized** my computer codes and their arithmetic data as transmitted via emails.

And sent and received
along sixteen directions
that were, in a mathematical sense,
mutually orthogonal.

Those were sixteen directions
that are **mutually perpendicular**
in an imaginary sixteen-dimensional
hyperspace. I **discovered**
how to **compress** 65,536 days,
or 180 years,
of time-to-solution on a computer
and **compress** that time-to-solution
to one day
of time-to-solution
on a supercomputer.

And **compress** that time-to-solution
by **sixteen orders of magnitude**.

My **scientific discovery**
of 180 years in one day
opened the door
to the state-of-the-art supercomputing

of **compressing 30,000 computing-years**
on an **isolated** processor
to one supercomputing-day
across an ensemble
of 10.65 million processors.

I **discovered** how to **compress**
thirty thousand years
to one day. It's the parallel processing
that I **discovered**, on July 4, 1989,
that powers the one thousand fastest
computers in the world.

The fastest computer
is powered by up to 10.65 million
central processing units.

And used to solve
the most compute-intensive problems.
And solve them in parallel.

My **scientific discovery**
opened the door
to supercomputing a million
or even a billion things

at once. My **discovery** of the fastest computing across the slowest processors is **permanently embodied** inside every supercomputer. The fastest computing enables us to get a surer and deeper understanding of our universe. And enables us to foresee otherwise unforeseeable long-term global warming. The fastest computing enables mathematicians to climb higher up the ladder of scientific knowledge. To the computer scientist, it made the **unimaginable-to-compute possible-to-super-compute**.

10.1.1.11 The Spread of COVID-19

My **contributions** to mathematics, physics, and computing

were that I **discovered** how to harness up to one billion processors.

And use them to solve the most complex calculus problems, such as the system of

partial differential equations

that governs the initial-boundary value problems of the most extreme-scaled computational fluid dynamics.

The world's fastest computer was used by computational physicists to model once-in-a-century global pandemics.

And simulate the spread of **contagious viruses**.

The world's biggest computer that occupies the footprint of a football field was used to attack COVID-19 from multiple angles.

What Will Year Million Humanity Look Like?

10.1.1.12 Future Supercomputers

I'm here because I **discovered** the new knowledge that enables your computer to be faster. And enables the world's fastest computer to be fastest.

I was in the news because I **discovered** the world's **fastest** computing across the world's **slowest** processors.

I **discovered** how to use that new supercomputer to solve the world's **most difficult** problems, such as executing the core mathematical calculations

that arise
when investigating the cure
and spread of COVID-19.

I **discovered** how the fastest computers
can be used to pinpoint the locations
of crude oil and natural gas
that are buried up to 7.7 miles deep.

Before my discovery,
of parallel supercomputing,
only one giant vector processor,
or maybe four or eight superfast
vector processors
were used to power the fastest computers.

After my discovery
of supercomputing, as it's known today,
millions of off-the-shelf processors
were used to tackle
the most difficult problems
arising in science, engineering,
and medicine.

The scientific discovery
is the nothingness
from which new knowledge sprang.

That new knowledge
makes the discoverer
a messenger from God.

My goal wasn't
to perform the fastest computation
and the fastest communication, in itself.
My goal wasn't
to solve my partial differential equations,
per se.

And solve them to the 17th decimal place.
My goal was to see the plural
as the singular.

My goal was to see 65,536
central processing units
as sharing nothing but coupled.
And to see them as one coherent,

seamless supercomputer that's 65,536 times faster than one computer computing with only one giant processor. My goal was to see a **sixteen-network-deep** Internet. And see it as a **small copy** of the Internet **of the future**.

10.1.1.13 The Shape of the Supercomputer

I **invented** the **form** of a new supercomputer that's a new Internet, or a new global network of processors. My new supercomputer is my metaphor for my new Internet. My invention was an Internet in **form** but a supercomputer in **function** that's encoded across its millions of off-the-shelf processors that **shared nothing**. My invention **opened the door**

to the manufacturing of supercomputers out of **standard parts**, such as off-the-shelf processors.

After my **discovery** that occurred on July 4, 1989, in Los Alamos, New Mexico, USA, each of the world's fastest computers was powered by an ensemble of millions of separate processors that operated **in tandem** with each other.

Back in 1990, I declined the invitation to help the U.S. simulate nuclear explosions and do so on the world's fastest computers.

My **discovery** that the world's fastest computers can be manufactured from millions **of off-the-shelf** processors

made it possible for nuclear weapons to be tested by simulation on the supercomputer that's powered by millions of processors. My discovery rendered physical testing obsolete.

That's the reason nuclear explosions are simulated across millions of coupled processors.

It's now obsolete to test nuclear bombs at test sites in the [South Atlantic Ocean](#) and off the coast of Southern Africa.

I was [searching](#) for the [universal](#) in the [particular](#).

I was [searching](#) for the [extraordinary division](#) in the [ordinary multiplication](#).

I was searching for the [extraordinarily](#) fast addition in the [ordinarily](#) slow subtraction.

I was searching
in the extraordinarily deep
sixteen-dimensional hyperspace
for the ordinary
one binary million zeroes and ones
that defined
the total sixteen-bit-long addresses
of my two-raised-to-power sixteen
ordinary central processing units
that outlined a new Internet
that is, *de facto*, a new supercomputer.

In a century, the supercomputer
could be the size of the Earth.
And will look like the Internet.
And be parallel processing across
the Internet.

10.1.1.14 In Year Million, What Will Posthumans Look Like?

In Year Million, what will posthumans look like?

In one million years, our posthuman Gods will not look like us. Our super-intelligent posthuman Gods could cross a frontier of knowledge that will be **science fiction** to us.

I foresee our descendants of a thousand millennia to be super-intelligent lizards that could be **masquerading** as posthuman Gods in their over-populated planet Mars.

I foresee an Earth-sized brain that is **anthropomorphized** [anthro-po-mor-phized] and thinks like a super-intelligent being.

I foresee a neural super-brain for our posthuman Gods of Year Million.

I foresee trillions upon trillions of super-brains of Year Million

colonizing our Milky Way.
I foresee intergalactic
space travelers in Year Million.

The supercomputer will be the **walking stick**
in humanity's **million-year** hero's journey
to the primal **place of immortality**.
That scientific journey
to envision our posthuman Gods
could be akin to visiting
the **Planet of the Cyborgs**,
where each cyborg is half-human
and half super-intelligent computer.
That scientific journey
to envision posthuman cyborgs
will be akin to, in a spiritual sense, visiting
the Land of the Spirits
of my distant Igbo ancestors.
By Year Million, our posthuman Gods
could reinvent themselves
as **asexual cyborgs**.

I foresee that each cyborg of Year Million could be half-human, half-computer.

I foresee that each cyborg of Year Million could have a sick sense of humor.

I foresee that each cyborg of Year Million could be a disembodied brain floating in the middle and safety of the Atlantic Ocean.

Our cyborg posthuman Gods of Year Million could be anthropomorphic, or have human attributes.

Our cyborg posthuman Gods of Year Million could be human like because we humans will create them in our own human image.

Our cyborg posthuman Gods will not have computers around them,

or have their Internets
around their planets.
The computer of Year Million
could be within them.
They may not need computers
in Year Million
because they could BE computers.

Supercomputing Beyond the Fourth
Millennium

I'm here because I discovered
how parallel processing
enables computers to be faster.
And why the technology enables
the world's fastest computers
to be fastest.

The discovery is a time machine
that takes us to the past
and enables us to see a thing

that preexisted
but, yet, remained unseen
to our ancestors.

The invention enables us to invent
the future of our descendants.

The parallel supercomputer
once the stone rejected
as rough and unsightly
is now the headstone
of the computing industry.

Parallel computing
—or solving many problems
at once, or in parallel,
instead of solving one problem
at a time—is what makes nearly
every computer faster.

And makes every supercomputer fastest.

My scientific discovery of fastest
computing
made the news headlines, in 1989,

and opened the door
to large-scale computations
in mathematics and physics.
I foresee our children's children
opening more doors
by fastest computing across
their Internet
that will be their spherical island of
trillions of central processing units
that enshroud the Earth.
And do so
as their planetary supercomputer.
Such speed-of-light fast supercomputers
could solve our as-yet-unsolved
compute-intensive problems.
One million years ago,
our human ancestors looked like apes.
In one million years, or in Year Million,
our human descendants
will ridicule us as looking like humans.
In one million years,
we might have only living Silicon

as our posthuman Gods.

In one million years,

our posthuman could live forever.

In Year Billion

the aliens on Earth could be us.

I envision posthumans

as thinking across

a 10,000-mile diameter Cosmic SuperBrain

that will sprawl across

an epic landscape

of their eighth

supercontinent

that will be hanging

on the cloud.

And that will enshroud

our seven land continents.

And enshroud the Earth

with their Year Million electronic cloud.

I foresee posthumans

to be half-humans

and half-thinking machines.

The grandchildren of our grandchildren
will not use their Internet
the way we use our Internet.

Their Internet could be within them
while our Internet is around us.

They may not need supercomputers
because their computers
could be within them.

I'm Philip Emeagwali.

Thank you.

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Google suggests the greatest computer scientists of all times. With the number one spot, Philip Emeagwali is the most suggested computer pioneer for school biography reports across the USA, Canada, UK, and Africa (December 8, 2021).



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Google suggests the most noted fathers of the Internet. With four out of ten searches, Philip Emeagwali is the most suggested “father of the Internet” for schools across the USA, Canada, UK, and Africa (Labor Day 2019).



The First Supercomputer | As It's Known Today***

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Philip Emeagwali

The Reader's Digest described Philip Emeagwali as “smarter than Albert Einstein.” Philip Emeagwali is often ranked as the world's greatest living genius and scientist. He is listed in the top 20 greatest minds that ever lived. That list includes Charles Darwin, Isaac Newton, William Shakespeare, Leonardo da Vinci, Aristotle, Pythagoras, and Confucius. Philip Emeagwali is studied in schools as a living historical figure.

In 1989, Philip Emeagwali rose to fame when he won a recognition described as the Nobel Prize of Supercomputing and made the news headlines for his invention of the first world's fastest computing across an Internet that's a global network of processors. *CNN* called him "A Father of the Internet." *House Beautiful* magazine ranked his invention among nine important everyday things taken for granted. In a White House speech of August 26, 2000, then U.S. President Bill Clinton described Philip Emeagwali as "one of the great minds of the Information Age."

What is Philip Emeagwali Known For?

The World of Magic Within the Supercomputer

Thank you.

10.1.1.1 Contributions of Philip Emeagwali to Physics

Large-scale computational fluid dynamics is a direct extension of classical physics and modern calculus. It's an extension of the first world's **fastest** computing

across

the world's **slowest** processors.

I was in the news because

I **discovered** that fastest computing at 8:15 in the morning, on July 4, 1989.

Since the 1940s, progress in the speed of the computer had always translated to the progress and emergence of new horizons in mathematics, science, and engineering.

The poster child of the twenty Grand Challenge Problems classified by the U.S. government is the extreme-scaled computational fluid dynamics codes used to simulate the spread of a **once-in-a-century** global pandemic.

The supercomputer must be used to correctly and accurately simulate the spread of **virus droplets** among the billions upon billions of train passengers around the world that are packed like sardines.

The supercomputer is used to simulate ways of stopping the spread of contagious viruses.

Or to simulate the spread of a once-in-a-century global pandemic's **contagious viruses** across the two and half billion passengers a year that rides in Russia's Moscow Metro.

A world of **magic** and **science fiction** resides inside the bowels of the world's fastest computer that occupies the footprint of a football field.

And it costs forty percent more than the mile-long Second Niger Bridge in Nigeria.

Please allow me to **re-introduce** myself.

I'm Philip Emeagwali.

My history began on August 23, 1954, my date of birth in the **Servant's Quarters** at 11 Eke-Emeso Street, Akure, Nigeria.

At age nineteen, I was in Corvallis, Oregon, USA, programming a supercomputer that was the **first** to be rated at one million instructions per second. I was supercomputing in Los Alamos, New Mexico, USA, by July 4, 1989, and at the world's fastest speeds.

In 1949 and five years before I was born, my parents who were born in Onitsha had independently migrated from Onitsha to Kano, which was then six hundred miles away.

They both lived in the **Strangers' Quarters** of Kano, called *Sabon Gari* in the Hausa language.

I'm here because

I **discovered** how parallel processing makes computers faster and why the technology makes supercomputers fastest.

My discovery is called parallel supercomputing.

The supercomputer impacts today and enables us to imagine tomorrow.

Fast computation defines the computer.

The fastest computation is the only objective milestone and measurable contribution

to computer science.

Our eternal quest for faster computing aids that began with the abacus

in ancient China

remains the Holy Grail of computing.

My technological quest

had only one **fundamental change**.

It was of a tectonic scale.

It was called parallel supercomputing,

or solving millions

of mathematical problems at once,

instead of solving only one problem

at a time.

Parallel processing

is the enabling technological knowledge

that enabled your computer

to be faster.

And enabled the world's fastest computer

to be fastest.

Nine out of ten supercomputer cycles

are consumed by large-scale

computational physicists, alone. Within the world's fastest computer is a **world of magic** in which the physicist can foresee otherwise unforeseeable natural events. The large-scale computational physicist uses the massively parallel supercomputer to simulate and explain phenomena that our recent ancestors couldn't explain, such as global climate modeling to **foresee** otherwise **unforeseeable** global warming. I was in the news because I **discovered** how to use millions of processors that **shared nothing** to solve the most compute-intensive initial-boundary value problems in mathematical physics, including problems arising from encoding the laws of physics into a system of

partial differential equations of calculus. I also discovered how to reduce such systems of partial differential equations. And reduce them to a large-scale system of equations of computational linear algebra that approximated them.

I also discovered how to reduce such systems from algebra to a set of mathematical calculations that approximated them. Not only that, I also discovered how to code and communicate via emails those set of operations. And how to execute them across many central processing units. And how to use that scientific discovery to foresee otherwise unforeseeable

global warming.

Or to recover otherwise unrecoverable crude oil and natural gas.

Or to solve

the most compute-intensive problems in science, engineering, and medicine, especially

the twenty **Grand Challenge Problems** of supercomputing that will be otherwise **impossible** to solve.

One in ten supercomputers are used across the 65,000 oil fields of the world and used to process data at the highest resolution.

The supercomputer is used in **seismic imaging** and **reservoir simulation** that enable the oil and gas industry to find crude oil.

And do so cheaper, faster,
and with better success rates.

The supercomputer
is the petroleum geologist's best friend.

10.1.1.2 Fastest Supercomputers Opened New Doors in Science

The reason my **scientific discovery**
of fastest computing
was cover stories, in 1989,
was that it was a discovery
that **opened** a **promising** line of research
into computational science
and computer architecture.

My **scientific discovery**
of the world's fastest computing,
as we know it today,
opened the door to a new world
in which the most
compute-intensive problems

of science and engineering,
that were previously impossible
to solve

are now **possible** to solve.

My **scientific discovery**

of the world's fastest computing
opened the door

to the new world of computing across
up to one billion processors
that are coupled.

In my new paradigm,

the computational physicist
can parallel process across

an ensemble of up to

one billion **central processing units**.

Parallel processing

is the **lodestar technology**

that makes computers faster
and supercomputers fastest.

10.1.1.3 Changing the Way We Compute Fastest

The reason my scientific discovery of how to compute faster —and how to do so by changing the way we think about the supercomputer— is a marker of progress is that it makes the impossible-to-solve possible-to-solve.

The fastest supercomputer occupies the footprint of a football field. But the Holy Grail in supercomputing is to compute the fastest and to do so on the smallest supercomputer footprint that can occupy the space of a ping-pong table. Fastest computational physics is a big budget,

a high-risk, and a high-payoff research. Executing the fastest- and the largest-scaled computational physics costs the budget of a small nation but it pays off because it's the critical technology used to discover and recover otherwise elusive crude oil and natural gas buried up to **7.7 miles** (or 12.4 kilometers) below the surface of the Earth. Extreme-scale, fine-resolution computational physics codes, such as computational fluid dynamics codes called petroleum reservoir simulators, are executed across the parallel supercomputers used by oil companies operating in Nigeria.

Why is Fastest Computing Important?

10.1.1.4 A World Without the Fastest Computers

Why are the fastest computers important?

And what will the world be like without the supercomputer?

The computer of today was the supercomputer of yesterday. A world without supercomputers may become a tomorrow without computers.

To parallel process, or to solve up to one billion problems **at once** instead of solving one problem **at a time**, is fundamental knowledge that appears in up-to-date textbooks in computational physics. Parallel processing is the **essential**

condition

for the fastest computer.

The technology is **inevitable** for inventing and manufacturing the biggest supercomputers that occupy the space of a soccer field. And it costs up to one billion two hundred and fifty million dollars each. Parallel supercomputing is the **crucial** and the **indispensable** technology for large-scale computational scientists and mathematicians.

10.1.1.5 A Supercomputer Can Make the Unimaginable Possible

Without parallel processing, the world's fastest computer will take 30,000 years to solve a problem it now solves in only one day.

The reason my scientific discovery

of the fastest computing, as we know it today, was in the June 20, 1990, issue of *The Wall Street Journal* was that it was a revelation of the new knowledge that makes supercomputing across the slowest processors faster than computing on the fastest processor. Parallel supercomputing was the discovery that opened doors in large-scale computational physics. Supercomputing across the slowest processors was the discovery that opened doors for modeling in energy, aerospace, and automobile industries, as well as obtaining deep insights into existential issues like climate change and the spread of COVID-19. The fastest parallel processing was the discovery that opened doors

that made it possible to solve the twenty **Grand Challenge Problems** of supercomputing. Those compute-intensive problems were previously **impossible** to solve.

10.1.1.6 For Decades, the Supercomputer Was Like a Black Box in a Dark Room

In the 1980s, the technology of parallel processing that has permeated into every supercomputer of today was like a **black box in a dark room**.

A discovery is like a light at the end of a dark tunnel.

I'm Philip Emeagwali.

I visualized my ensemble as 65,536,

or two-raised-to-power sixteen,
equidistant **points of light**
evenly distributed across
the surface of a globe
that I also visualized as embedded into
a dark sixteen-dimensional universe.
During the sixteen years
following June 20, 1974
and in Corvallis, Oregon, USA,
I theorized and visualized
the fastest parallel-processed
calculating speed on Earth.
Furthermore, I discovered that new physics
via emailed
computational fluid dynamics codes
that I sent to and received from
sixteen-bit-long email addresses.
Consequently, I theorized and visualized
the fastest computer speed on Earth
as parallel processing
in a universe

with sixteen spatial directions that were mutually orthogonal.

The world's fastest computers are used to predict long-term weather, design safer cars, manufacture fuel efficient airplanes, and develop new drugs.

The high-performance computing industry rely on an ensemble of up to a billion processors to guide its most compute-intensive simulations.

10.1.1.7 How I Leapfrogged Across an Internet to the World's Fastest Computer

In the 1980s, I—**Philip Emeagwali**—was the only full-time programmer

of the **supercomputer-hopeful** that was powered by the **slowest** sixty-four binary thousand **processors** in the world.

I visualized my processors as outlining a **small Internet**.

For a large-scale computational physicist and supercomputer programmer **hopeful** who came of age in the decades of the 1970s and 80s, programming across that then **unimagined** new Internet and programming its processors alone, was a technological quest akin to a **visceral** journey to an unknown world.

10.1.1.8 Parallel Supercomputing Existed as Science Fiction

In the 1970s and 80s, parallel supercomputing was an unknown field of knowledge where it was hoped that the technology-hopeful will leave the realm of **science fiction** to become **nonfiction**.

For me, Philip Emeagwali, supercomputing across the **slowest** processors was a sixteen-year-long **visceral** journey through the **most abstract calculus**, through the **largest-scale algebra**, and through the **most compute-intensive** mathematical calculations in computational physics that I executed across supercomputers that I imagined as powered by up to one **billion computers** that surrounded a globe as a **new Internet**. I—Philip Emeagwali—controlled

and programmed
each of my sixty-four binary thousand
processors.

I programmed them via emails
that I sent to and from
each of my as many
sixteen-bit-long email addresses.

10.1.1.9 Parallel Supercomputing Was Ridiculed in the 1970s

In the 1970s and 80s,
supercomputer textbook authors
wrote that to parallel process
a large-scale computational physics code,
such as global climate modeling,
—or to solve many problems at once,
instead of solving
one problem at a time—
will forever remain
an enormous waste of everybody's time.
In the spirit of the times,

the June 14, 1976, issue of the *Computer World* that was the flagship publication of the computer world carried an article titled:

[quote]

“Research in Parallel Processing Questioned as ‘Waste of Time’”

[unquote]

Changing the Way We Look at the Internet

10.1.1.10 Changing the Way We Look at the Computer

What is the contribution of Philip Emeagwali to the development of the computer?

And Internet?

Instead of using one giant processor, as dictated by conventional wisdom, I visualized my one binary million, sixteen times two-raised-to-power sixteen, or **1,048,576**, bi-directional edges of the hypercube in the sixteenth dimension as having a **one-edge** to **one-email-wire** correspondence with the Philip Emeagwali Internet that is a global network of sixty-four binary thousand, or two-raised-to-power sixteen, or **65,536**, off-the-shelf processors that **shared nothing**.

The following timeline and facts speak for themselves.

In the **1950s and 60s**,
the top one thousand supercomputers
in the world
performed their fastest
when using **merely one isolated
scalar processor**
that wasn't **a member**
of an ensemble of processors.
By the **1970s and 80s**,
the top one thousand supercomputers
in the world
performed their fastest
by using **merely one isolated
vector processing unit**
that wasn't **a member**
of an ensemble
of vector processors.
By the **1990s and later**,
the top one thousand supercomputers
in the world
performed their fastest

by harnessing the **slowest**
65,536 processors
or harnessing up to
10.65 million processors
that worked together to solve
the most compute-intensive problems,
such as global climate modeling.
Those millions of processors communicate
and compute together
and do both as one seamless, coherent,
and gigantic supercomputer.
From those three timelines,
the **way we think** about the computer
and the supercomputer
changed after my **discovery** of July 4, 1989.

10.1.1.11 My Discovery Changed the Way We Look at the Computer

So, what happened in mid-1989
that convinced the world of computing
to **change** the way

it thought about the computer,
change the way
it thought about the supercomputer,
and **change** its long-held opinion
that **parallel supercomputing**
will forever remain
an enormous **waste** of everybody's time?
My scientific discovery
of the world's fastest computing
happened at 8:15 in the morning
of the Fourth of July 1989.
My discovery that parallel processing
will make computers faster
made the **news headlines**, in 1989.
My invention enables
massively parallel computing
and communicating across an ensemble
of up to one billion processors
to make supercomputers fastest.
Since 1989, my invention
has been the subject of
millions of school essays.

My discovery was mentioned in the June 20, 1990, issue of The *Wall Street Journal*.

I **discovered** that we must look at the modern supercomputer as powered by off-the-shelf processors and standard parts.

At that time, conventional supercomputers were powered by the fastest and custom-made central processing units.

I **discovered** that the **slowest** 65,536 processors in the world could be harnessed and used to increase the speeds of computers and supercomputers.

To discover the supercomputer of tomorrow —that can solve up to a billion problems at once,

instead of solving one problem
at a time—

is to see parallel supercomputing
compress the time-to-solution
of the toughest problems
in large-scale
computational physics.

And compress that time-to-solution
by a factor of one billion.

In 1989, it made the **news headlines**
when I **discovered**

how to compress the time-to-solution
of the most **compute-intensive** problems
in supercomputing.

And compress that time
from 65,536 days, or 180 years,
to merely one day across
the world's **slowest** 65,536
processors.

The **scientific discovery**
of the world's fastest computing

that I recorded
from my email experiments of July 4, 1989,
provided the designers
of the **first supercomputer**
that computes fastest across
the slowest processors
with the **insight** and the **knowledge**
that massively parallel processing
is the enabling technology
to be used to compress
the time-to-solution
of the most compute-intensive problems.
And compress that time-to-solution
from 30,000 years to merely one day.
That supercomputer speedup
—from one day to 30,000 years—
was **radical**, instead of **incremental**.

10.1.1.12 Changing the Way We Do Mathematics

Climate modeling is the most important problem in large-scale computational physics. Climate modeling without supercomputing is akin to asking the computational physicist:

“Do you foresee a change in climate?”

And getting the answer 30,000 years later.

The world's fastest computer should be taken to wherever the most difficult problems are. As a mathematician in search for the world's fastest computer that computes in a radically new way, **my mandate was to push myself**

to the very edge of knowledge
of computer science.

And to what could be computed. And then
continue going beyond
the world's fastest computer.

No matter what the unsolved problem is,
my goal was to change the course of
history.

My new knowledge
of the world's fastest computing across
the world's slowest processors
changed the way
we look at the supercomputer.
And changed the way mathematicians
solve their most difficult problems.

10.1.1.13 Computing Across My New Internet

My **scientific discovery** of how to solve the most compute-intensive problems and solve them by chopping each problem up into up to a billion lesser challenging problems that can be solved across and at once up to a billion processors was multidisciplinary.

My solution of that grand challenge problem spanned the frontiers of knowledge of geophysical fluid dynamics, **partial differential equations**, extreme-scale algebra, and the world's **fastest** computing across millions of processors that encircled a globe as a **new Internet**.

Briefly, I **encoded** a set of laws of physics.

I **encoded** those laws into calculus.

I **translated** that calculus into algebra.

I further **translated** that algebra into a set of mathematical calculations.

And **translated** those arithmetic operations into computer codes.

Finally, I emailed my data and algorithms, or instructions and codes, to each of my sixty-four binary thousand **central processing units** that defined and outlined my **new Internet**.

The laws of physics at the core of the global climate model

used to foresee global warming
were discovered
three hundred and thirty years ago.
The **partial differential equations**
of calculus
into which the laws of physics
were encoded were formulated
over one hundred and fifty years ago.
The global climate model
used to foresee climatic changes
were developed about fifty years ago.
Climate change is the world's
greatest long-term challenge.

The large-scale global climate model
of the Earth
must be chopped into
up to a billion small-scale models
that could be solved in **tandem**.
And solved with a one-to-one
correspondence
with as many processors.

The parallel processing of the global climate model is the technique that must always be used to tackle the biggest question that ever faced our planet and, hopefully, to find a new way forward.

The world's fastest computing is where we transform our deepest knowledge of physics, mathematics, and computer science into real-world solutions that bring benefits where they're needed the most.

Solving Compute-Intensive Problems

10.1.1.14 Parallel Supercomputing is the Same Song, Different Dance Everywhere

The physical laws encoded in my computer codes

were contained within the governing **partial differential equations** that I invented as well as the corresponding algebraic **partial difference equations** that I also invented.

The initial-boundary value problem of mathematical physics governed by those differential and difference equations was my testbed for the world's fastest computing that I **discovered** on July 4, 1989.

Throughout the universe, the laws of physics are the same everywhere in the universe.

Throughout the domains of the initial-boundary value problems of computational physics, the systems of

partial differential equations
of calculus

are the same

everywhere in those domains.

The system of

partial differential equations

that I invented and solved

is coupled

everywhere in the domain,

is nonlinear

everywhere in the domain,

is time-dependent

everywhere in the domain,

and is hyperbolic

everywhere in the domain.

When the system of

partial differential equations

is the same

everywhere in the domain,

the system of

partial difference equations

of computational linear algebra

that approximates that system
of **partial differential equations**
of calculus
is **diagonal** everywhere
or is **tridiagonal** everywhere
or is **sparse** everywhere
and is **identically structured** everywhere in
the domain.

There are the **same**
for each subset of algebraic equations.
Due to that sameness
in the physics, calculus, and algebra,
the set of floating-point
arithmetic operations
also had **sameness**
in every **central processing unit**, or CPU,
that executed them.

I **discovered**
and took advantage of that **sameness**
to execute my floating-point
arithmetic operations

and execute them in parallel.

And I discovered

how to execute those operations
across my new Internet.

Furthermore, I invented that new Internet
as a new global network
of 65,536 coupled processors,
or sixty-four binary thousand computers.

Not only that, I recorded
the once unrecorded
speed increase of a factor of
65,536.

And recorded that speed because
I executed my
65,536 computer codes
and I executed them with a one-code
to one-processor correspondence
between each code
and each central processing unit.
I executed them in parallel
and parallel computed
because they are the same

for each central processing unit,
or computer.

10.1.1.15 How I Discovered the World's Fastest Computing, As It's Known Today

That **sameness** was the key to my
discovery of the world's fastest computing,
as it's known today
and as it's expected to be known tomorrow.
Due to the grand challenge problems
looking the same everywhere,
I could synchronize
my email communications
that I sent to sixteen-bit-long
email addresses.

I visualized my ensemble
of one binary million email wires
as the **matrix that weaves**
my sixty-four binary thousand processors

together.

And wove them to invent
one cohesive supercomputer
that's a small copy of the Internet *de facto*.

I sent emails across my sixteen times
two-raised-to-power sixteen
bidirectional email wires.

Likewise, I visualized those email wires
as short wires

printed onto circuit boards,

or as long wires

comprised of fiber-optic cables.

Furthermore, I computed in parallel,

or at once, and I did so at

two-raised-to-power sixteen,

or 65,536, **central processing units**.

That was how I theoretically

and experimentally **discovered**

how to compress 65,536 days,

or 180 years, of time-to-solution

on one **central processing unit**

and **compress** that **time-to-solution** to one day of **time-to-solution** across a new Internet.

That one day was across the **new Internet** I invented as a **new** global network of 65,536 coupled processors that I named a **HyperBall supercomputer**. In school essays, this **new computer** is described as the Emeagwali**li** Computer that then U.S. **President Bill Clinton** described as the Emeagwali**li** Formula during his White House speech of August 26, 2000.

10.1.1.16 Supercomputers Make the Unimaginable Possible, Sometimes

In 1989, it made the **news headlines** that an **African supercomputer genius** in the USA

had **theoretically discovered** how to solve a then world-record system of 24 million equations of algebra. And **experimentally discovered** how to solve them across a new Internet **that** he **visualized** as his new global network of 65,536 **central processing units**. I was that African supercomputer scientist in the **news**, in 1989. **The world's fastest computer that computes in parallel, or by solving millions of mathematical problems at once arose from our need to make the impossible-to-solve possible-to-solve.**

My **contribution** to computing is this:

I extended the borders of knowledge of computer science to include the world's fastest computing across millions of processors.

10.1.1.17 How I Discovered What Makes Supercomputers Fastest

I **discovered** that executing the world's fastest computing across millions of processors is the new knowledge that will make computers faster. And that will also make supercomputers fastest.

I **discovered** how to solve the most compute-intensive problems in science, engineering, and medicine.

I **discovered** how to solve them

across a small Internet
that's a new global network
of sixty-four binary thousand processors,
or as many tiny computers.

The most compute-intensive problems
in physics

include problems arising from
encoding

the laws of motion of physics
and encoding those laws

into the partial differential equations
of calculus

that are discretized and reduced
to a large-scale system of equations
of algebra.

Such algebraic equations are used
to foresee otherwise unforeseeable
global climate change.

Or to discover and recover otherwise
elusive crude oil and natural gas.

Or to solve many

compute-intensive problems
in large-scale
computational physics
that are otherwise **impossible** to solve.

The fastest computers
of the nineteen seventies [**1970s**]
were powered by one
isolated processor
that wasn't **a member**
of an ensemble of processors
that communicates and computes together.
And do both as one seamless, coherent,
and gigantic virtual super-fast processor.
The **paradigm** in extremely fast computing
shifted on July 4, 1989,
the date I **discovered**
the **first** supercomputing,
as we know it today.
I recorded the fastest speeds in computing,

and did so without the supercomputer, as it was then known.

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In 1989, we changed the way we look at the supercomputer. Before nineteen eighty-nine [1989], the fastest computations were recorded on a supercomputer that computed with **one isolated central processing unit** that wasn't **a member** of an ensemble of processors that communicates and computes together. And as one seamless, coherent, and gigantic supercomputer.

That singular processor was the heartbeat of the supercomputer. Before 1989, the established truth in supercomputer textbooks was called Amdahl's Law.

In the most quoted scientific paper in supercomputing that was published between April 18 to 20, 1967, Gene Amdahl of IBM Corporation wrote that

it would forever remain impossible to achieve a speed increase of a factor of eight.

And achieve that eight-fold speedup by using eight central processing units to power a supercomputer.

Twenty-three years after Amdahl's Law was formulated,

it made the news headlines that I discovered

that the **unimaginable**-to-solve is possible-to-solve, namely achieve a speed increase in supercomputing of a factor of sixty-four binary thousand. And achieve that speed increase with as many **processors**. During the seven decades that followed February 1, 1922, parallel processing was the Holy Grail of supercomputing. In the 1970s and 80s, to parallel process a large-scale computational physics code and to do so across an ensemble of eight processors and do so with an eight-fold speed increase was **dismissed** and **ridiculed** as **impossible**.

That factor-of-eight limit in parallel-processed speed increase was enshrined into Amdahl's Law that was in the air for decades but was published between April 18 to 20, 1967.

10.1.1.18 How Steve Jobs Mocked Parallel Computing

Parallel processing executed across one billion processors that **shared nothing** was **science fiction** to the computer scientists of the 1970s. In that decade, the world's fastest computing, as it's executed today, was **mocked** as much as Albert Einstein was **ridiculed** for proposing

the general theory of relativity.
And proposing relativity
prior to the theory's confirmation
that occurred on the 29th of May 1919.
The general theory of relativity
was first observed
from the island of **Príncipe**,
that was off the coast of Nigeria.

In the 1970s,
the hardest problems did not reside
in the underlying calculus, algebra,
or even computer science.
As a computational mathematician
who came of age in that decade,
my challenge was to extract
the theorized fastest computing speed
of up to one billion processors.
My processors were supercomputing
in tandem

and doing so to solve
up to one billion problems at once.

My one binary billion processors
must have one binary billion unique names
that's each a unique string of
zeroes and ones.

A **binary billion**

is two-raised-to-power-32,
or **4,294,967,296**.

Trying to program that ensemble
of a billion processors
and invoking their services without
uniquely naming each processor
is akin to employing every living person
and doing so without uniquely
identifying each person by them.

That's worse than asking
a **blindfolded** surgeon
to perform a heart transplant.

For those reasons, parallel supercomputing was beyond the intellectual grasp of the academic scientists that I interacted with back in the 1970s and 80s. So, I was not surprised when I read the June 10, 2008, issue of *The New York Times*, where Steve Jobs was quoted as telling Apple's Worldwide Developers that:

[And I **quote**]

“The way the processor industry is going is to add more and more cores, but nobody knows how to program those things,”

[End of **quote**]

Steve Jobs continued:

[quote]

“I mean, two, yeah;
four, not really;
eight, forget it.”

[unquote]

To **invent** the parallel supercomputer
is to record the once unrecorded
speeds in computation.

And record them
while solving up to a billion problems
at once.

And with a one-to-one correspondence
with as many processors.

And to solve those problems
when the likes of Steve Jobs
of the computer world

and the likes of Seymour Cray of the supercomputer world said that it would be **impossible** to solve eight problems at once, or **impossible** to parallel process across eight **central processing units**.

The likes of Steve Jobs **mocked** and **ridiculed** parallel supercomputing as pure **ivory tower silliness** that only belongs to science fiction. On July 4, 1989, their mocking stopped when I recorded the world's **fastest** computing across the world's **slowest** processors.

10.1.1.19 Why Are Supercomputers So Important?

The most powerful supercomputer costs the budget of a small nation. It's bought because the fastest supercomputer gives meaning to life.

The fastest supercomputer makes the world a better place and enables humanity to become more knowledgeable.

The computer of today was the supercomputer of yesterday. Inventing faster computers proves that humanity is progressing in the right direction.

A faster supercomputer increases our level of civilization and enables our children to do better than us.

Thank you.

I'm Philip Emeagwali.

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