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SESSION 1: INNOVATIONS IN JAPAN'S CLOUD-EDGE LANDSCAPE

Fugaku and Beyond: Cloud-Enabled Supercomputer bridging Europe and Japan

“Smart Connectivity and Computing” Workshop, EU-JAPAN DIGITAL WEEK 2025

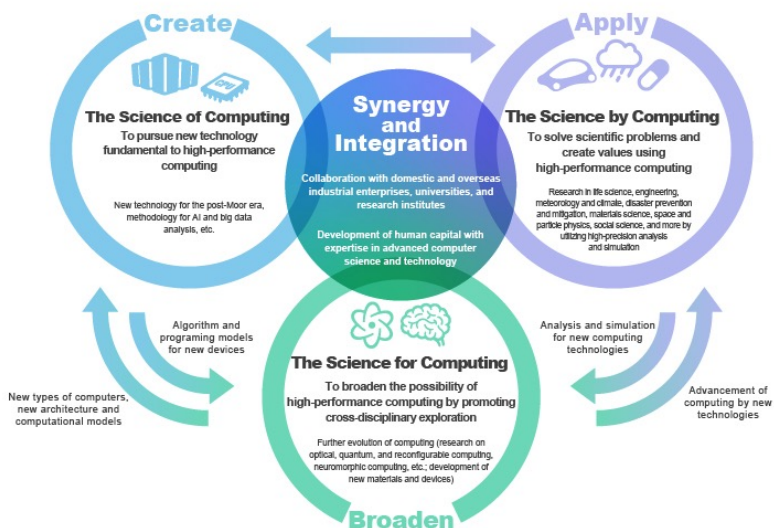
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Kento Sato, RIKEN R-CCS

- **RIKEN R-CCS is one of 13 RIKEN strategic research and infrastructure centers**
- **Mission in R-CCS:**
 - Conduct the state-of-the-art research that integrates “simulation,” “big data analysis,” and “AI” through high performance computing (HPC) to solve scientific and social issues and revolutionize society
- **Three R&D thrusts in R-CCS:**
 - Cultivate the future through “Science of computing, by computing, and for computing”
 - Integrate Computational Science, Data Science, and AI
 - Aim to Solve Issues for Advanced Modern Society

“The Science of Computing, by Computing, and for Computing”

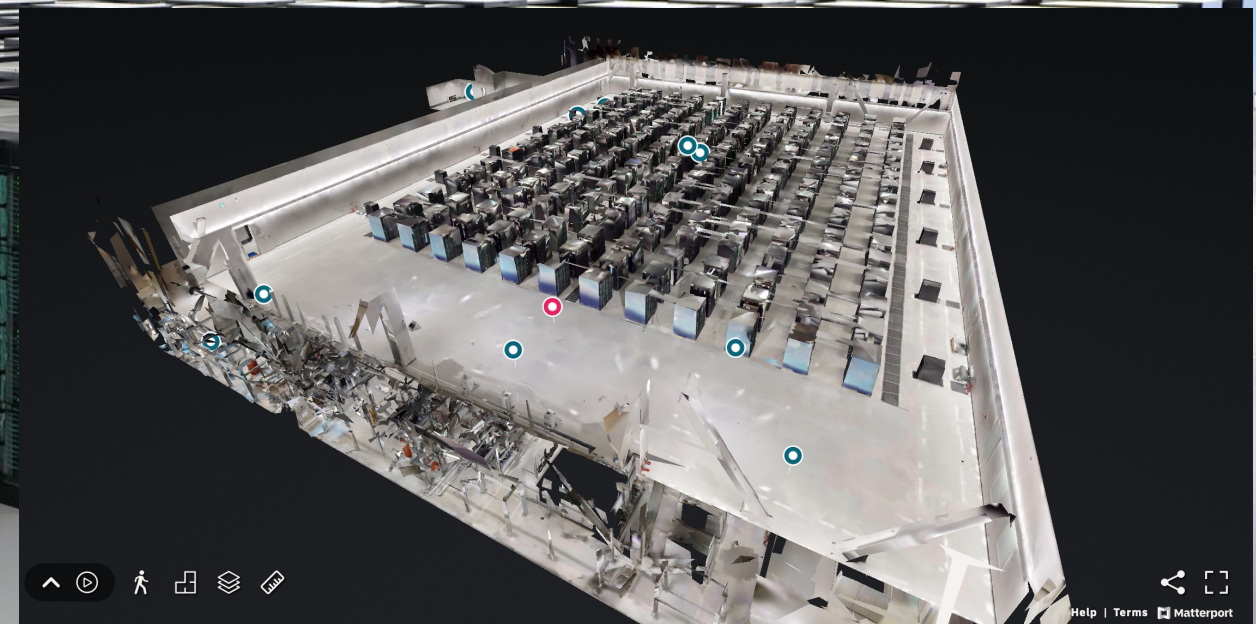
Striving for excellence in science and becoming the cornerstone of Society 5.0



「富岳」 Supercomputer Fugaku

Peak Performance	Normal Mode: 2.0 GHz	488 PFLOPS (FP64) 977 PFLOPS (FP32) 1.95 EFLOPS (FP16) 3.90 EOPS (INT8)
	Boost Mode: 2.2 GHz	537 PFLOPS (FP64) 1.07 EFLOPS (FP32) 2.15 EFLOPS (FP16) 4.30 EOPS (INT8)
Total Memory		4.85 PiB
Total Memory Bandwidth		163 PB/s

Fugaku 3D Virtual Tour



Major achievements of Fugaku

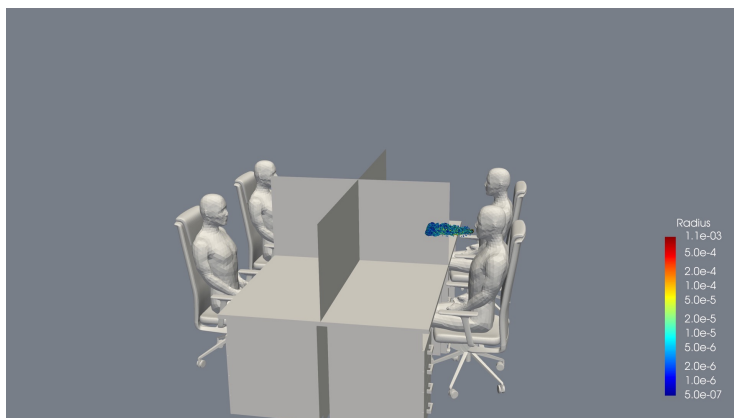
#1 in major benchmark rankings:
TOP500 and HPL-AI (Jun.2020-Nov.2021),
Graph500 and HPCG (Jun.2020-)



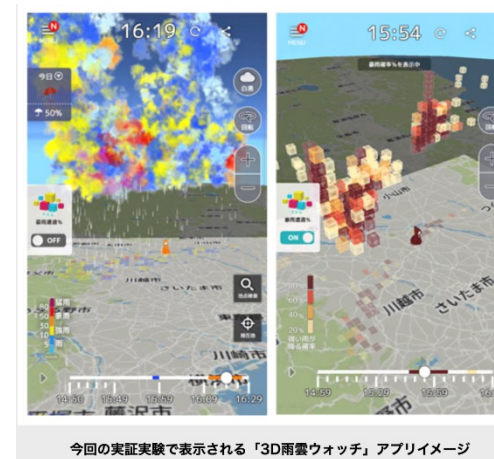
#1 in MLPerf HPC(Nov.2021-)



ACM Gordon Bell Special Prize for HPC based
COVID-19 research(Nov.2021), also 2022



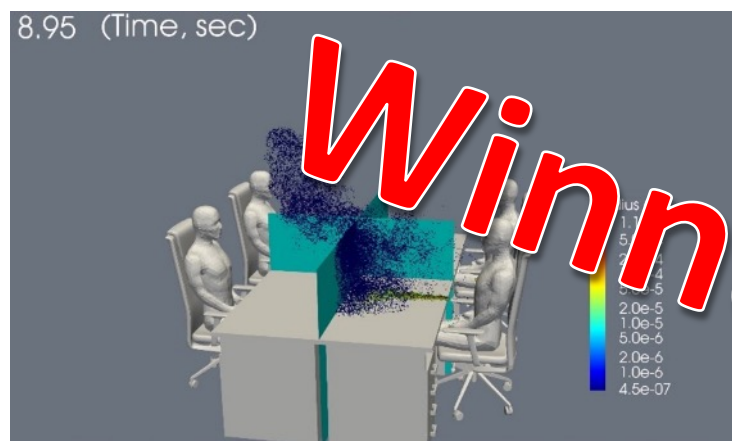
Weather forecasting trial for “guerrilla downpour”
in TOKYO2020 Olympic/Paralympic games



2021 ACM Gordon Bell Prize Finalists

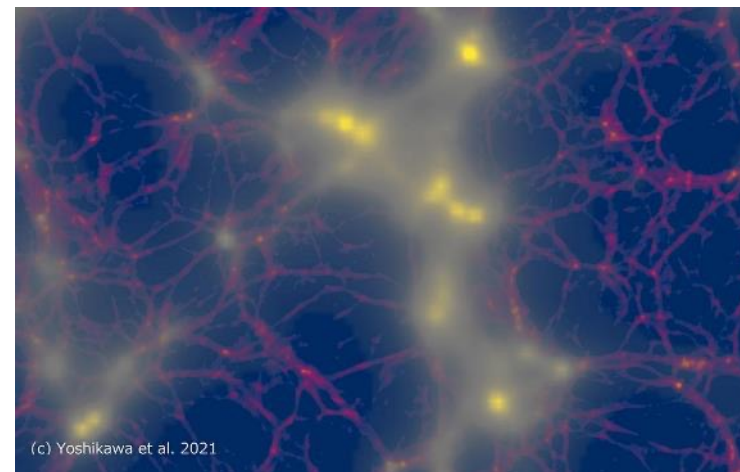
The purpose of the award is to track the progress over time of parallel computing, with particular emphasis on rewarding innovation in applying high performance computing to applications in science, engineering, and large-scale data analytics.

Gordon Bell Special Prize for High Performance Computing-Based COVID-19 Research Digital Transformation of Droplet/Aerosol Infection Risk Assessment Realized on Fugaku for the Fight against COVID-19



Makoto Tsubokura
RIKEN R-CCS
Kobe University

A 400 Trillion-Grid Vlasov Simulation on Fugaku Supercomputer Large-Scale Distribution of Cosmic Relic Neutrinos in a Six-Dimensional Phase Space



Kohji Yoshikawa
Tsukuba University

2022 ACM Gordon Bell Prize Finalists

3 of 6 research results presented as finalists for the 2022 Gordon Bell Prize use Fugaku.

One of them done by Earthquake Research Institute, The University of Tokyo,
Prof. Tsuyoshi Ichimura (R-CCS Visiting Researcher)

Gordon Bell Prize winner is presented at “SC” in November annually.

Winner!

“Pushing the Frontier in Laser-Based Electron Accelerators Design with Ground-Breaking Mesh-Refined Particle-In-Cell Simulations on Pre-Exascale Supercomputers”

International team ; (CEA), (Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory), (Arm), (ATOS), (Laboratoire d’Optique Appliquée, ENSTA Paris), (GENCI) and (RIKEN, R-CCS)



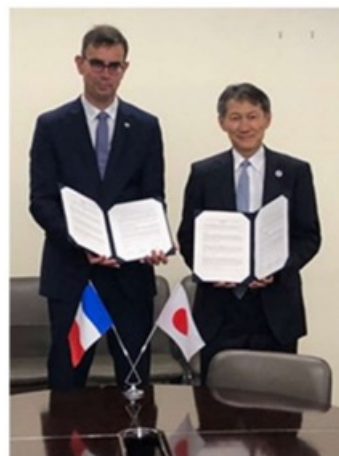
History of CEA-RIKEN collaborations:

RIKEN and CEA to cooperate in high performance computing and computational science [1, 2]

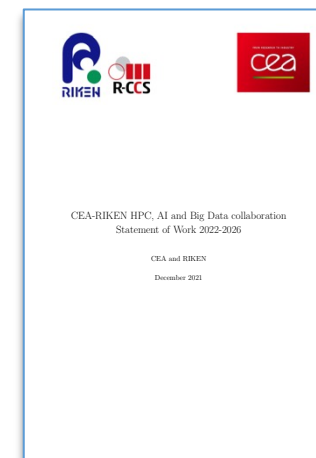
- **Both Japan and France have been carrying out national projects for the development of next-generation supercomputers used for simulations in various areas of science**
 - Under this framework, RIKEN and the French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission (CEA) have concluded an agreement to strengthen the partnership in the areas of high performance computing and computational science
 - On January 11, 2017, HPC collaboration agreement was signed by RIKEN and CEA in Tokyo
 - In June 2019, an amendment was then to formalize the addition of new collaboration topics.
 - On January 11, 2022, we extended the agreement for collaborative research for a new five-year period



Signature of the collaboration agreement Tokyo, January 2017



Signature of the 1st amendment Tokyo June 2019



New SoW in Jan. 2022

[1] https://www.riken.jp/en/news_pubs/news/2017/20170118_1/
 [2] <https://www.r-ccs.riken.jp/wp/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/CEA-RIKEN-HPC.pdf>

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- **Under the agreement, RIKEN and CEA have been collaborating following areas:**
 - Training and Skills
 - System Management
 - Programming and Tools
 - Quantum Computing
 - AI and Big Data
 - Benchmarking new Architectures
 - Applications Development for Scientific and Societal Challenges



CEA-RIKEN Workshop 2023 in Paris
March 16-17, 2023



CEA-RIKEN Workshop 2023 in Kobe
December 7-8, 2023



CEA-RIKEN Workshop 2024 in Paris
May 21-22, 2024



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December 11-12, 2024

[1] https://www.riken.jp/en/news_pubs/news/2017/20170118_1/
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EU-JAPAN ALLIANCE IN HPC

**HPC ALLIANCE FOR APPLICATIONS AND SUPERCOMPUTING INNOVATION:
THE EUROPE - JAPAN COLLABORATION**



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MISSION: GENERAL INFORMATION SCIENTIFIC AREAS CONSORTIUM

- **Support the implementation of the Digital Partnership in order to strengthen cooperation between EU-Japan**
 - Advance on the facilitation of mutual access of EuroHPC JU*¹ and Japanese supercomputing resources for European and Japanese researchers.
- **Address the priority scientific domains in HPC**
 - Biomedical, materials science, weather and climate modeling, performance measuring, test and optimization for different architectures
- **Promote the exchange of researchers and engineers between Japan and the EU, and elaborate a roadmap for future actions to enhance cooperation**
- **Advise and promote a sustainable collaboration between Europe and Japan for the HPC community**

*¹: EuroHPC: The European High Performance Computing Joint Undertaking

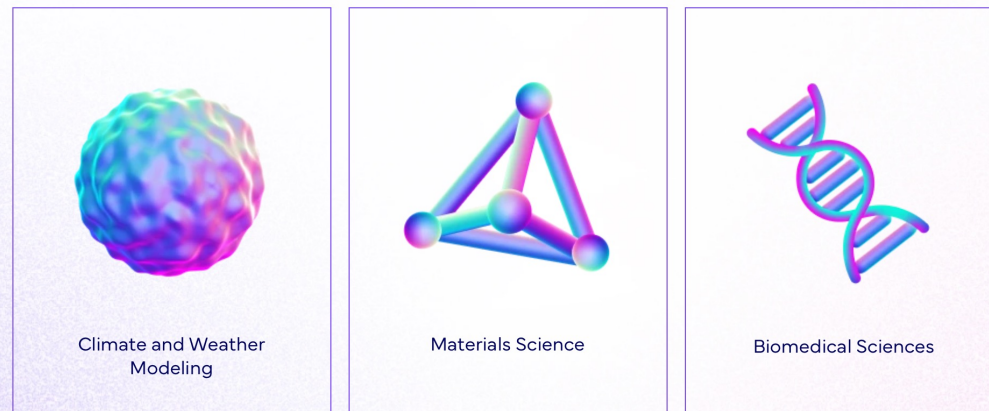


- **The project focuses on:**
 - High-Performance Computing and AI
 - Climate Modeling
 - Materials Science
 - Biomedical Science

- **HANAMI in a nutshell:**
 - Started in March 2024
 - About 60 researchers involved
 - 1 Open Symposium per year
 - Travel grants for HANAMI researchers
 - 6 European Centres of Excellence (CoE) for HPC applications^{*1} on board (MaX, EoCoE, TREX, RAISE, EsiWACE and PerMedCoE)

^{*1}: CoE promote the use of upcoming exascale and extreme performance computing capabilities and scale up existing computing codes towards exascale performance.

Scientific Areas



CONSORTIUM

- **HANAMI is gathering 15 research organizations in Europe and 11 in Japan**
- HANAMI promotes scientific projects involving both Europe and Japanese institutes, and will assist the researchers to access supercomputers in both Japan and Europe



15 Organizations from Europe



11 Organizations from Japan



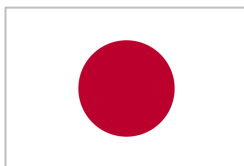
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The University of Tokyo



Many other 2-way EU/R-CCS collaborations with effective MOU or joint research agreement (as of March 31, 2025)

RIKEN R-CCS has been collaborating with 115 organizations
64 (domestic), 10 (US), 16 (EU), 25 (others) + many others without MOU/agreement

- Centre national de la recherche scientifique (CNRS), France
- Commissariat à l'énergie atomique et aux énergies alternatives (CEA), France
- IMT Atlantique, France
- Université de Lille 1 Sciences et Technologies, France
- University of Vienna, Austria
- University of Warsaw, Poland
- Jagiellonian University, Poland
- Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich, Germany
- Heidelberg Institute for Theoretical Studies, Germany
- INESC TEC, Portugal
- Barcelona Supercomputing Center, Spain
- Royal Institute of Technology (KTH), Sweden
- Friedrich-Alexander-Universität Erlangen-Nürnberg (FAU), Germany
- J. Heyrovsky Institute of Physical Chemistry, Czech Academy of Sciences, Czech
- Faculty of Natural Sciences, Comenius University in Bratislava, Slovakia
- Donostia International Physics Center, University of the Basque, Spain



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v Bratislavě

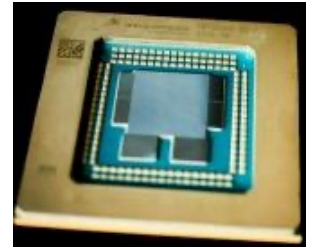


Virtual Fugaku: MoU Between AWS & R-CCS (Effective: January 2023)

- RIKEN R-CCS has been advancing usability of Fugaku to facilitate the collaboration
→ **Expanding the Scientific Platforms of Fugaku to the AWS Cloud**
- **Compatible ISA in Arm eco-system**
 - Fugaku (by Fujitsu/RIKEN): A64FX HPC (Arm+SVE CPU), 2018
 - AWS (by Amazon): AWS Graviton3/3E (Arm+SVE CPU), 2022
 - → Applications are compatible on both Fugaku and AWS
- **Virtual Fugaku platform**
 - Common interface provided on Fugaku and AWS
 - Users can enjoy computational power of both Fugaku and AWS through the same interface



A64FX



Graviton3

Open OnDemand

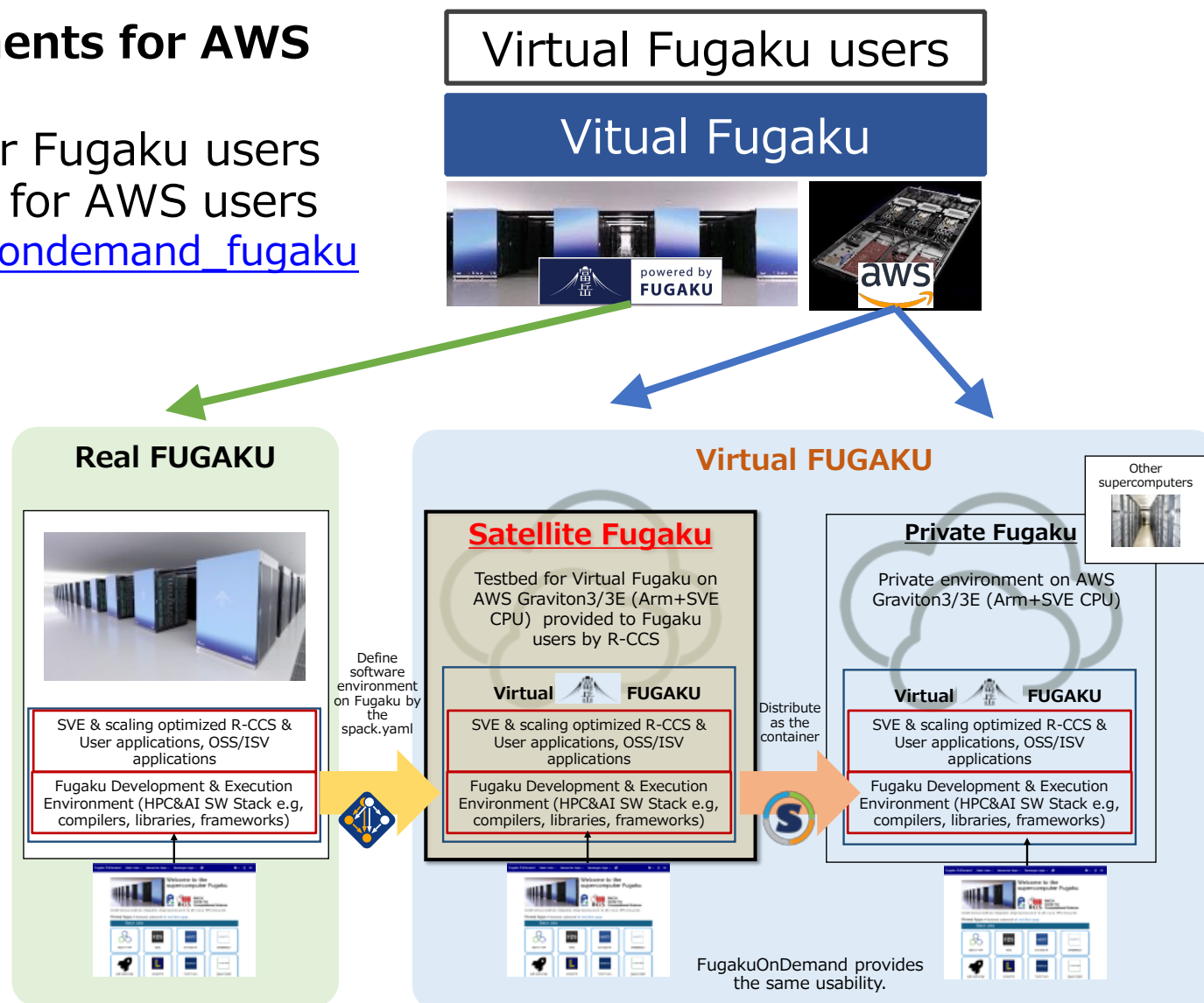
Virtual Fugaku users

Virtual Fugaku

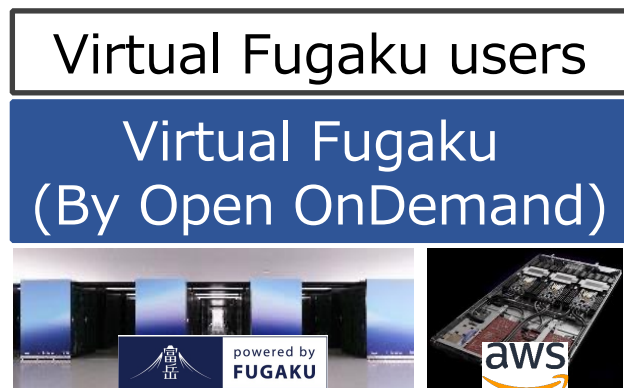


- **Virtual Fugaku provides two environments for AWS Graviton CPUs:**
 - Satellite Fugaku: A test environment for Fugaku users
 - Private Fugaku: A Singularity container for AWS users
 - Github: https://github.com/RIKEN-RCCS/ondemand_fugaku

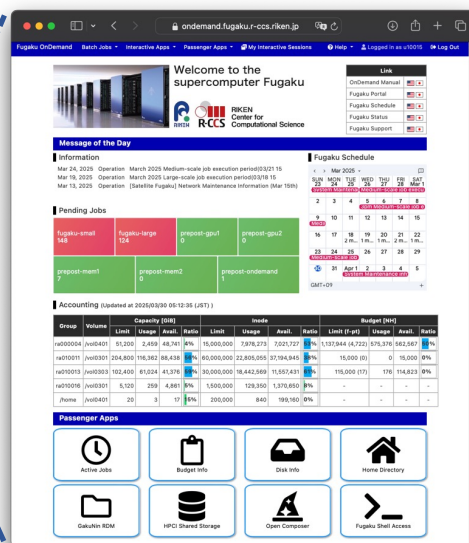
- **Both environments share the same software configuration**
 - Defined and containerized by Spack*
 - *Spack: a package mgmt. tool
 - **Enables gradual software/application development**
 - E.g., Companies develop methods using massive Fugaku resource, conduct production run on AWS or private cloud
- Allows immediate propagation of latest research results onto production



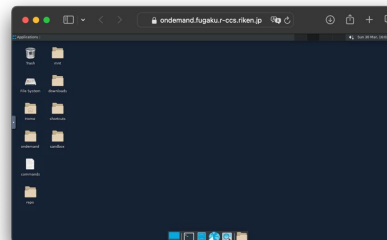
- **Open OnDemand is web portal for HPC clusters**
 - Developed mainly by the Ohio State University
 - Open-source software used by over 250 institutions worldwide
- **Use HPC systems from user's web browser**
 - No other software installation required
 - File upload/download, job submission, use of applications/services and monitoring by browser
- **Multi-level applications/services provision**
 - PaaS: GUI desktop, CLI terminal
 - SaaS: Many scientific applications, data services, develop env., visualization tools and others



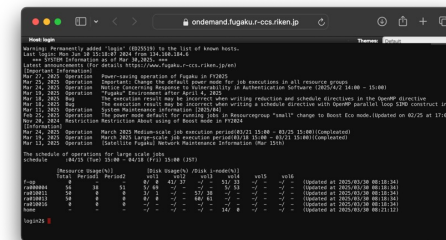
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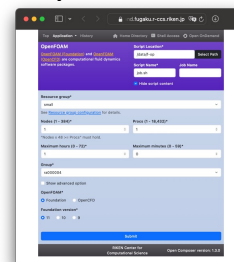
GUI desktop env.



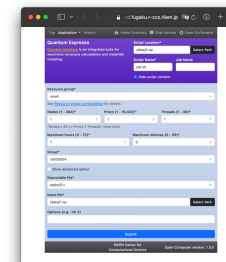
CLI terminal



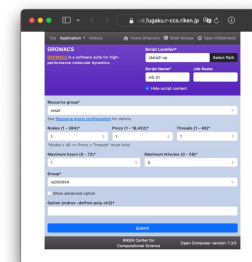
OpenFOAM



Quantum Espresso



GROMACS



Supported Applications/Services in Virtual Fugaku (Release: Aug. 8, 2024))

- **Virtual Fugaku supports a wide variety of applications and services**
 - Interactive applications

Category	Application
Development	Remote Desktop, JupyterLab, MATLAB, RStudio, VSCode
Profiler	NVIDIA Visual Profiler, NVIDIA Nsight Compute*, NVIDIA Nsight Systems, Vampir
Viewer	AVS/Express, C-Tools, GaussView, ImageJ, OVITO, Paraview, PyMOL, SALMON view, Smokeview, VESTA, VMD, VisIt, XCrySDen
Workflow	WHEEL

- Batch-based applications

Category	Application
Climate	SCALE
Computer Aided Engineering	FDS, FrontFlow (blue/X), FrontISTR, OpenFOAM (Foundation/OpenCFD)
Condensed Matter Physics	ALAMODE, AkaiKKR, HΦ, mVMC, OpenMX, PHASE/0, Quantum Espresso, SALMON
Molecular Dynamics	GENESIS, GROMACS, LAMMPS, MODYLAS
Quantum Chemistry	ABINIT-MP, Gaussian, NTChem, SMASH
Quantum Simulation	braket

RIKEN R-CCS keeps upgrading the virtual Fugaku platform to advance usability of supercomputers and the clouds and facilitate international collaborations

FugakuNEXT

FugakuNEXT is the project name for Japan's next-generation supercomputer as the successor to the current Fugaku system.

Overview of Feasibility Study (FS) in RIKEN System Research Team (Team leader: Masaaki Kondo, RIKEN/Keio Univ.)

Project Overview

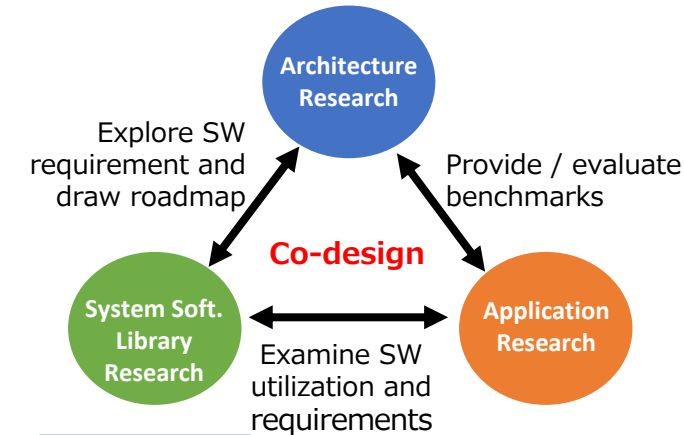
- **Aiming to design a versatile computing infrastructure**
 - Efficiently support wide varieties of computational requirements
 - E.g.) Scientific simulation, AI and Big data processing at scale
- **Conducting a holistic investigation on architecture, system software and library technologies through co-design with applications.**



Research Groups

Architecture Group (Group Leader: Kentaro Sano, RIKEN)

- **Investigating possible technologies** (such as 3D stacked mem, new accelerators, chip-to-chip direct optical link) and **evaluating architectures and the entire system** based on trends in semiconductor and packaging technologies
- **Extrapolating future system performance based on performance analysis of benchmark sets** provided by Application Research Group, and feeding back to next-generation application development

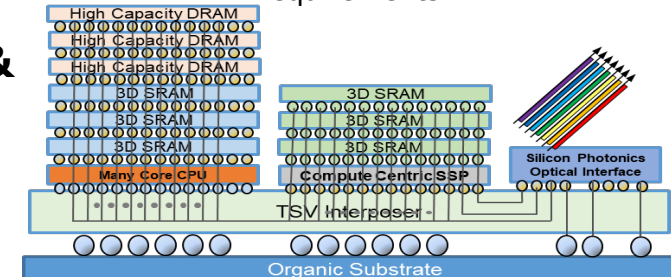


System Software and Library Group (Group Leader: Kento Sato, RIKEN)

- **Making a roadmap for future system software development for the next system** while considering large-scale scientific simulation and its integration with AI and big data technologies

Applications Group (Group Leader: Takeshi Shimokawabe, Tokyo Univ. & Takeshi Iwashita, Hokkaido Univ.)

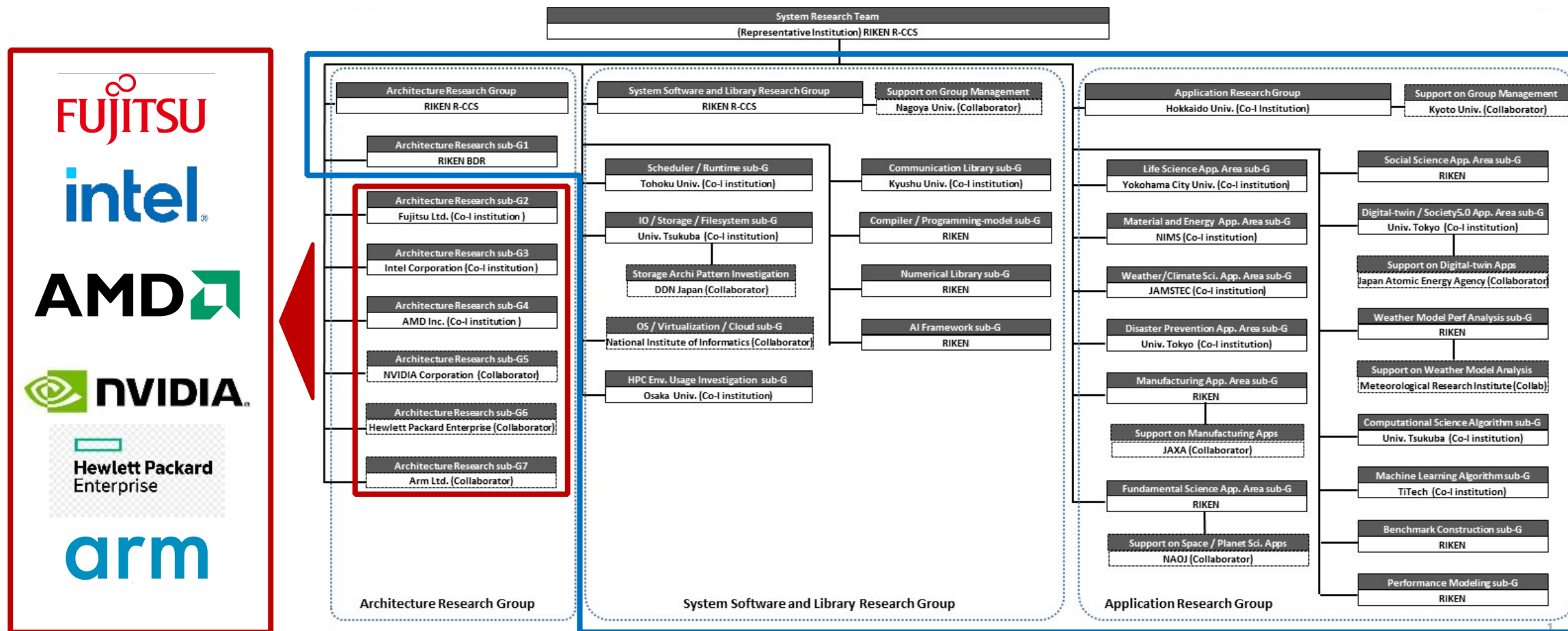
- **Building a broad benchmark set to evaluate multiple architecture candidates** while studying improvement of algorithms for candidates based on the results of architectural evaluations and **conducting exploratory "what-if" performance analysis**
- Investigating what classes of algorithms are expected to evolve significantly in near future



Strawman processing element architecture²⁶

The research plans and the schedule are subject to change

Organization Chart of RIKEN FS team



Collaborations with major chip vendors and system integrators

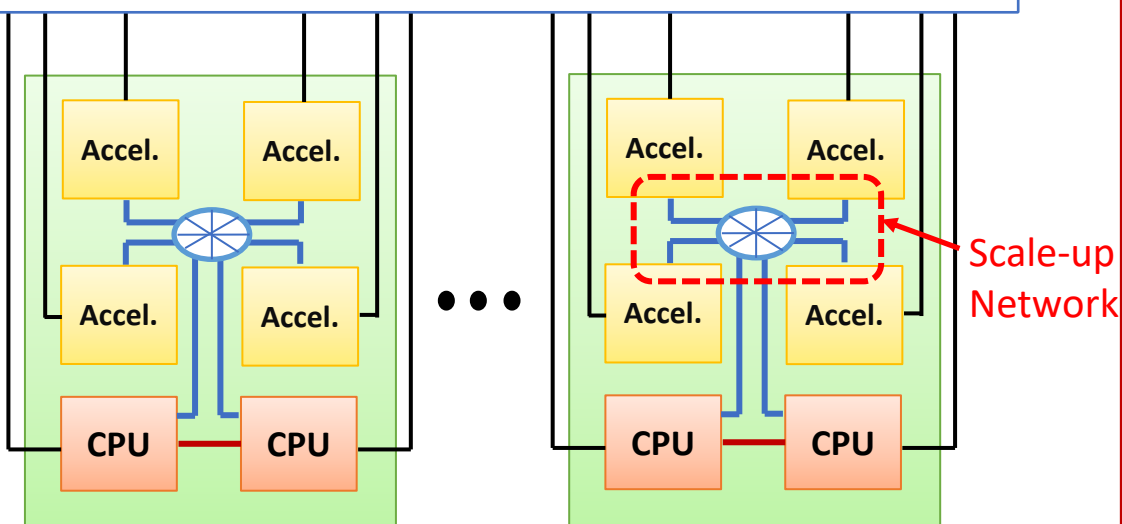
ALL Japan alliance: Group and subgroups are organized by a wide range of national labs, universities in Japan

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Example Node Architecture for FugakuNEXT

System Architecture for FugakuNEXT

Scale-out Network



- **System network which is good for both strong/weak scaling**
 - Combination of scale-up/scale-out NW
- **Having more than 10K accelerator sockets in the system**
 - NW among accelerator sockets

- **Heterogeneous node architecture**
 - CPU + GPU architecture
 - Tentatively 2-CPU and 4-GPU configuration
 - High BW with advanced memory technology
- **Scale-up NW (intra-node socket NW)**
 - P2P or switched connection with, e.g., UALink
- **Scale-out NW (inter-node NW)**
 - Fat-tree topology with, e.g., Ultra-Ethernet

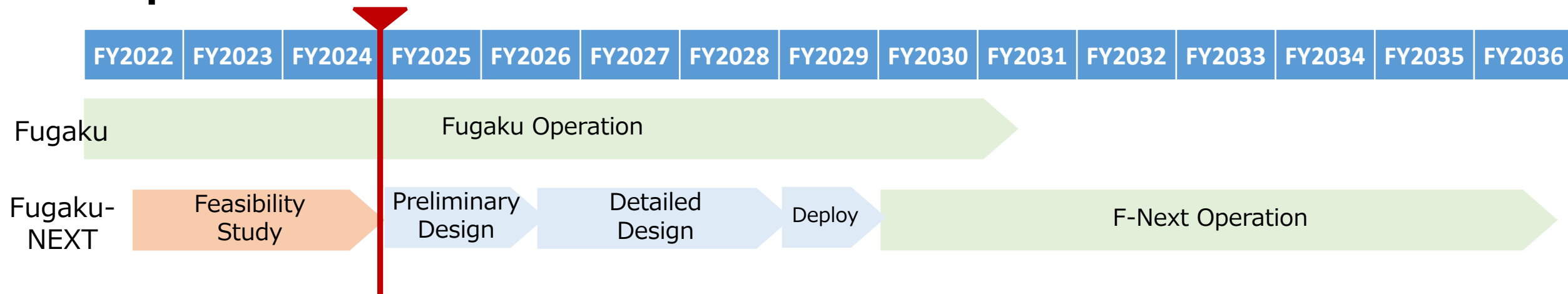
System target:
More than 5-10x effective
performance improvement in HPC applications
and more than 50EFLOPS AI training performance
(needs Zetta-scale low-precision arithmetic perf.)

System Performance Requirement in RFP

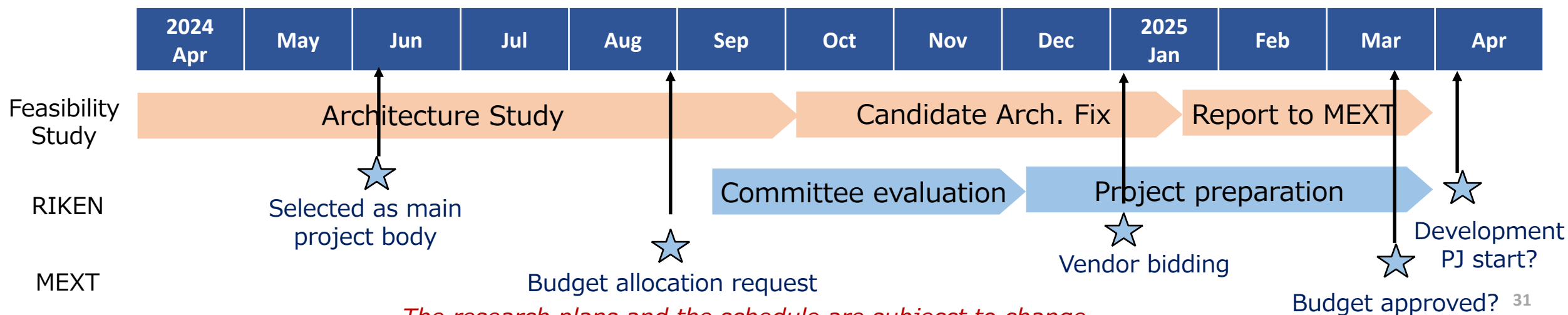
- Performance requirement for FugakuNEXT entire system

	CPU	GPU
Total Num. of Nodes	>= 3400 Nodes	
FP64 Vector FLOPS	>= 48PFLOPS	>= 3.0EFLOPS
FP16/BF16 AI FLOPS	>= 1.5EFLOPS	>= 150EFLOPS
FP8 AI FLOPS	>= 3.0ELOP	>= 300EFLOP
FP8 AI FLOPS (w/ sparsity)	—	>= 600EFLOPS
Memory Size	>= 10PiB	>= 10PiB
Memory Bandwidth	>= 7PB/s	>= 800PB/s
Total power consumption	< 40MW (compute node and storage)	

Expected schedule



What's going on in FY2024 for FugakuNEXT development



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Where will the FugakuNEXT supercomputer be installed ?

- **The FugakuNEXT system to be Installed next to RIKEN R-CCS**
— Establishing a Cutting-Edge Hub for Computational and Computer Science Research (Announced on March 28, 2025)

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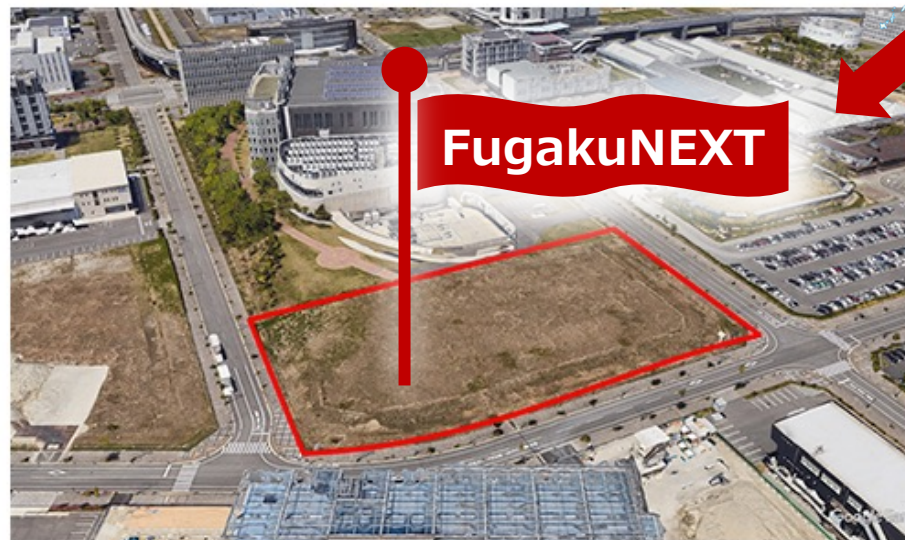
「富岳NEXT」を理化学研究所 神戸地区隣接地に整備
— 計算科学／計算機科学に関する最先端の研究開発拠点の形成 —

理化学研究所（理研）は、[スーパーコンピュータ「富岳」](#)^[1]の次世代となる新たなフラッグシップシステム（開発コードネーム：「富岳NEXT」）注）について、神戸市中央区港島南町のポートアイランド（第2期用地）にある理研神戸地区隣接地に整備することを決定しました。「富岳NEXT」を設置する建屋を新たに建設する予定です。文部科学省HPCI計画推進委員会「[次世代計算基盤に関する報告書 最終取りまとめ](#)」^[2]（2024年6月）で示された、「京」から「富岳」移行時のようなシステム入れ替えによる「端境期」を極力生じさせないという観点や、既存の「富岳」関連施設を活用するとともに、施設の増強を行うことが、合理的かつ経済的であると判断しました。

計算科学研究センター（R-CCS）では、理研神戸地区において「富岳」に加え、「[最先端研究プラットフォーム連携（TRIP）](#)」^[3]構想で進める「[AI for Science](#)」^[4]や「[量子HPC連携プラットフォーム](#)」^[5]に関する計算基盤の開発・整備を進めています。「富岳」と連携して社会的課題の解決に貢献するとともに、得られた知見は「富岳NEXT」の開発・整備に生かしていく予定です。また、データセンターなどの運用技術の高度化や省エネルギー化に向けた開発も進めています。

今回新たに「富岳NEXT」を開発・整備することで、理研神戸地区は、先進的な計算基盤が集積する、世界的に見ても特色のある研究施設となります。このことにより、目的に応じた、さまざまな計算資源を活用した計算科学の推進だけでなく、計算可能領域の拡張などを目指した計算機科学の世界最先端の研究開発と、計算基盤に関する高度な運用技術の開発を行う拠点となります。

RIKEN R-CCS, Kobe



RIKEN R-CCS will drive cutting-edge supercomputing research
in partnership with the global community

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