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Architectures and Simulators: Research framework for SW & HW

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FSim Snapshots Architecture Model



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Status and Opportunities

- All Open Source available to all for use or modification
 - Full release of Fsim and all associated pieces by August 31, 2015
 - Patches and enhancements welcome, support only for FF program
 - Re-use {modules, ISA, energy model, ..} in other tools/environments
- FSim scales to 1,152 cores using 64 dual-socket nodes
 - 128 simulated blocks, O(10MHz) sim rate depending on comms rate
 - Runs on raw TCP/IP sockets or IBverbs (latency sensitive)
 - Architecture model has clear interfaces in network model
- Coming later this year . . .
 - Port to NERSC machine infrastructure, O(1) Exascale rack @ O(10MHz)
 - Updated clock and energy models

Which kind of simulator . . . ?

"There are three kinds of

lies: cycle , functional , and , and ,"

(Mark Twain, 1906)

Do You Need A Simulator for <X>?



Simulators: Trade-offs by themselves



