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HIGH PERFORMANCE Computing & Data Analytics

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Our Mission

Leading-edge national supercomputing and data infrastructure

Provide HPC, HPDA, Big Data & Al commercial services

Empower Luxembourg digital ecosystem









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MeluXina supercomputer – the vision

Serve a large variety of complex, datadriven computational workloads

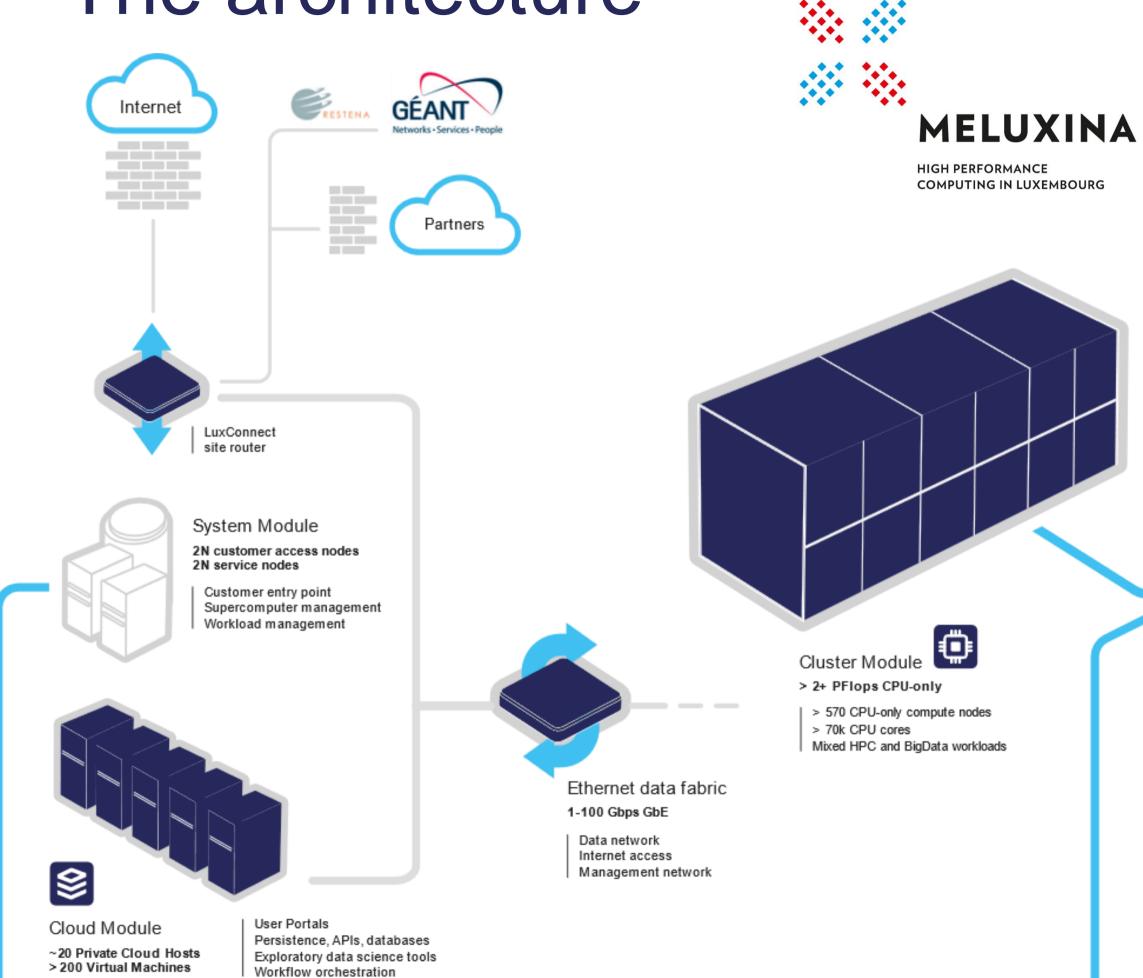
> Enable simulation driven by predictive analytics



Forward-looking design, responding to convergence of simulation, modelling, data analytics and Al

Built up as a highly capable, highly efficient system

The architecture







Accelerator Module > 10 PFlops GPU acceleration > 500 AI PFlops

~200 GPU-CPU hybrid nodes with ~800 GPU-AI accelerators ~20 GPU-FPGA hybrid nodes with ~20 FPGA accelerators Accelerated Workloads

Infiniband Interconnect 200 Gbps IB HDR

Core supercomputer high speed network





Large Memory Module

- > 80 TB RAM
- ~20 large memory nodes In-memory Big Data computing workloads



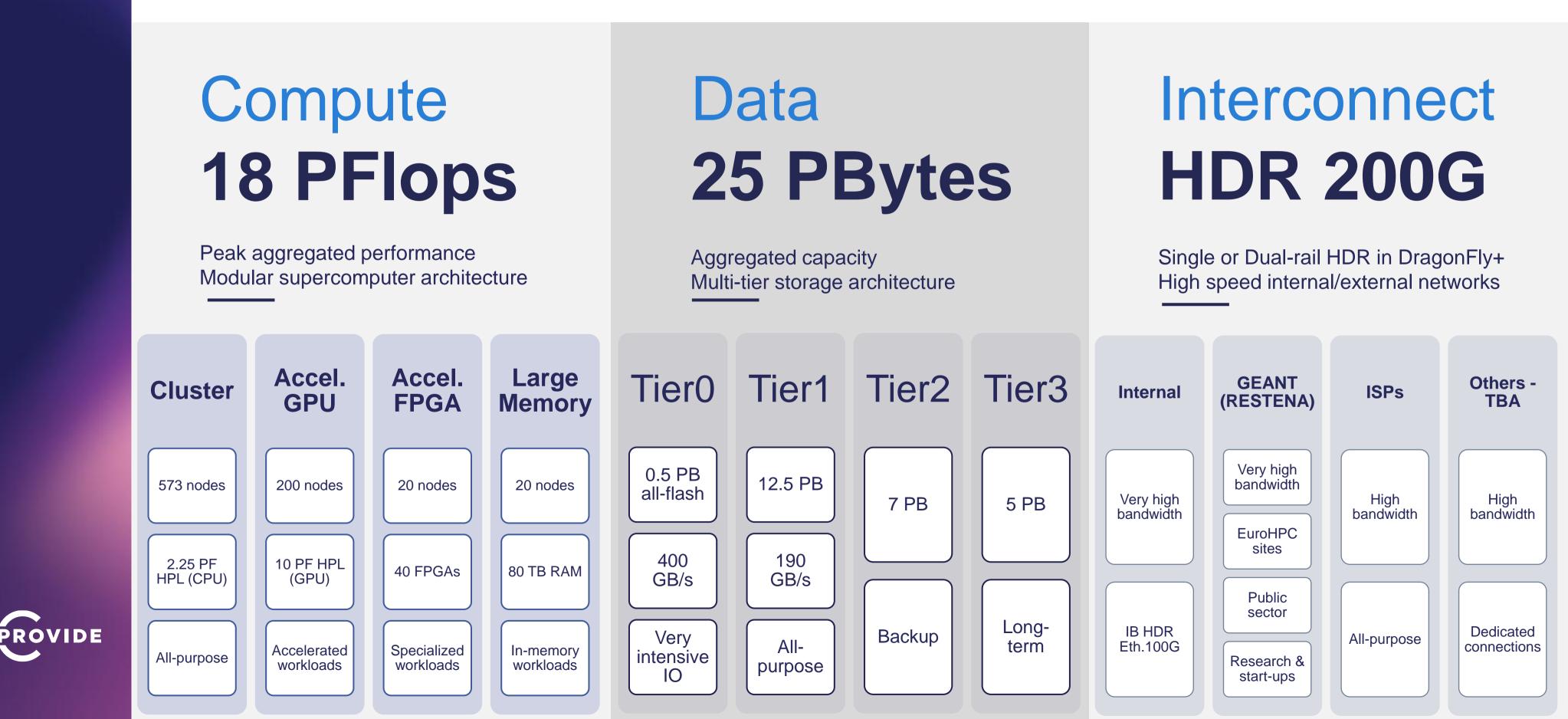


Storage Module

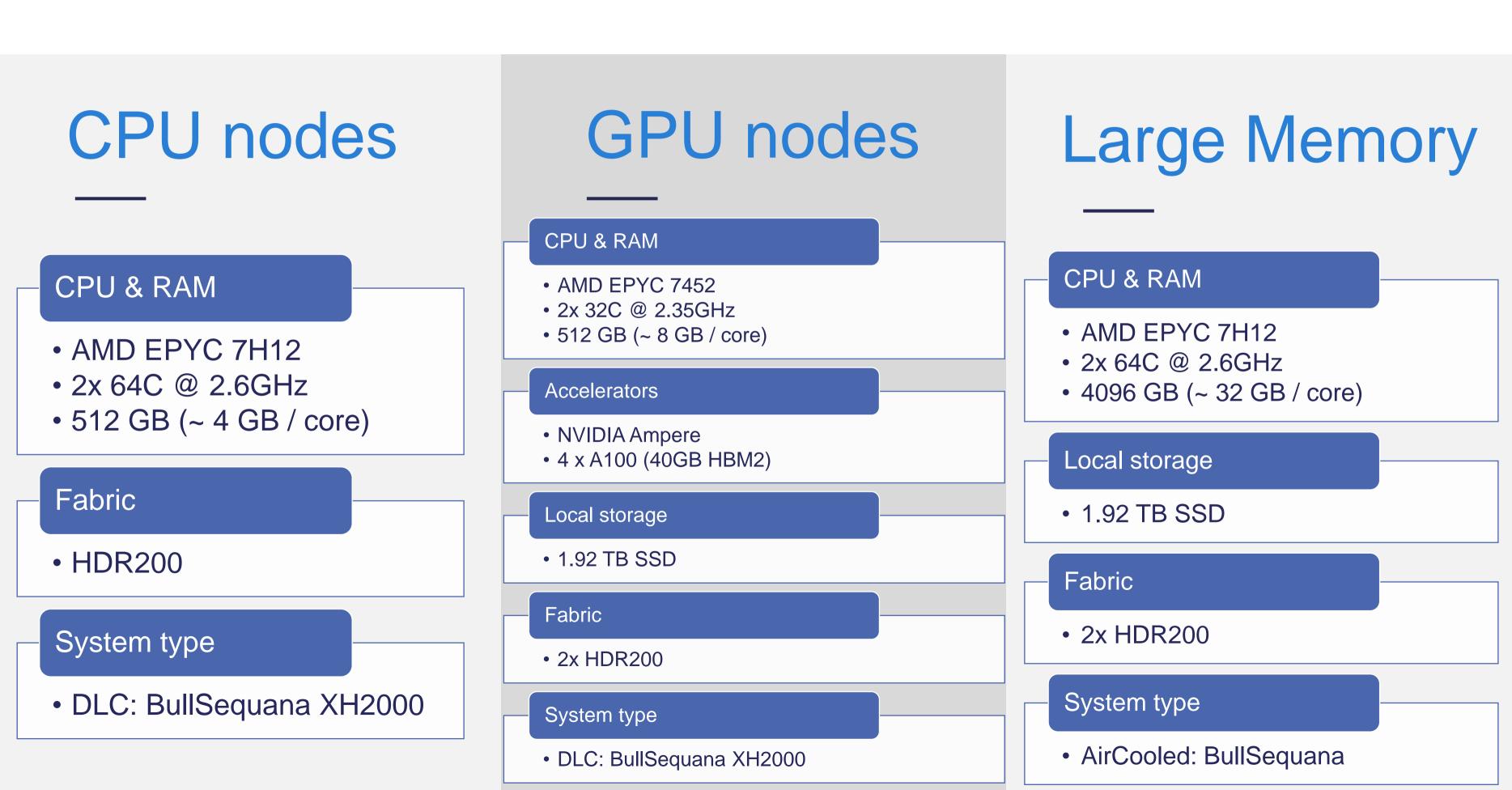
> 20 PetaBytes main storage > 400 GB/s throughput

Tiered & Secure storage Supporting mixed HPC, BigData and Al workloads

The numbers

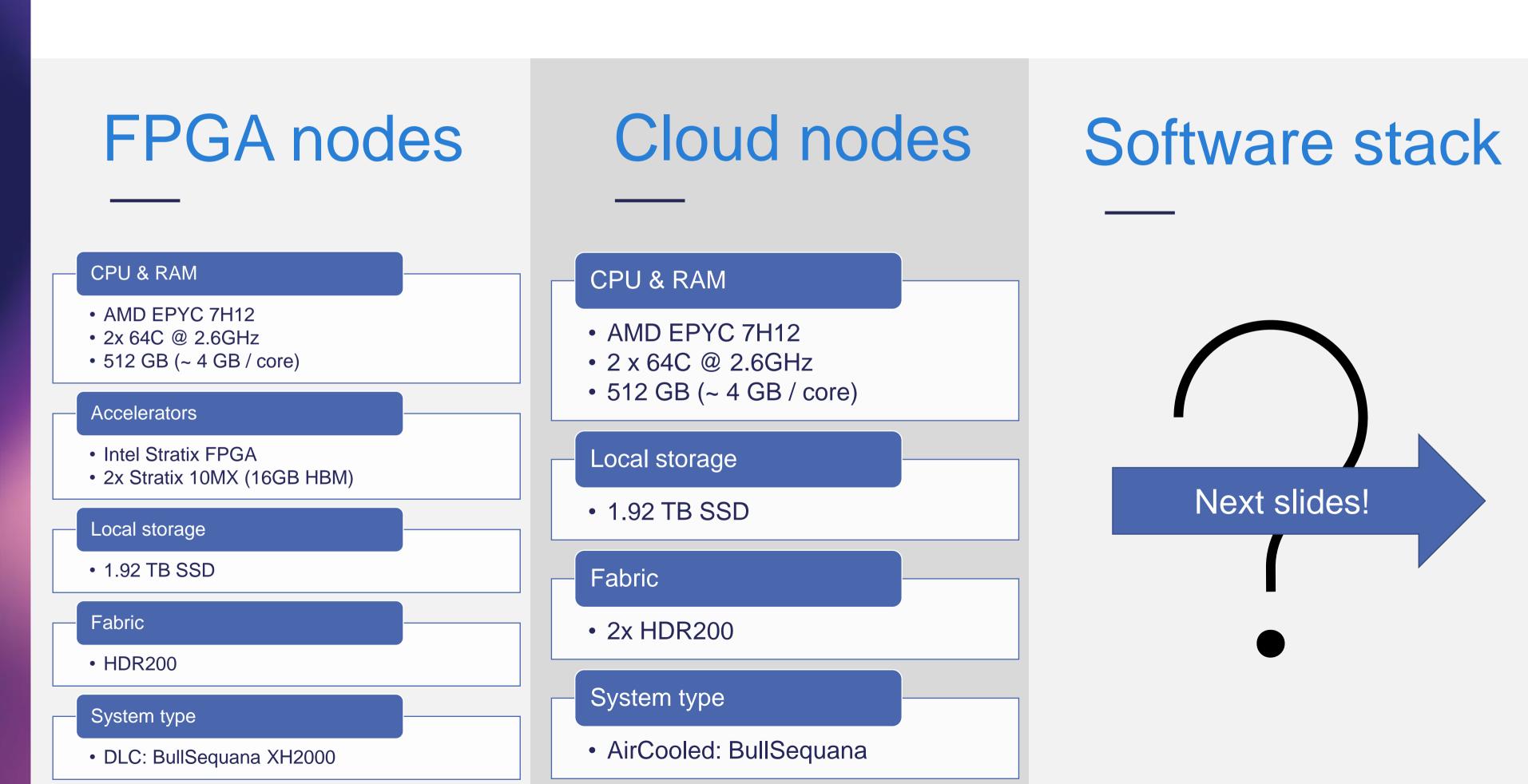


The technologies





The technologies – cont'd





The workloads

Luxembourg key sectors

- Circularity, Smart Mobility
- Financial Services
- Healthtech
- Industry 4.0
- Logistics
- Space



Use cases on MeluXina

 Traditional HPC modelling & simulation • HPDA data-driven workloads • Al data-driven workloads & also HPC with Al-in-the-loop

The MUSE: MeluXina User Software Environment

Conceptual goals

- Rich software environment enable wide variety of workloads FOSS & commercial packages
- Keep software close to recent versions
- Maintain production software sets for a 'good' amount of time

Challenges

- Complex software environment MeluXina - modular system with multiple architectures: Zen2, Ampere, Stratix
- Keep software close to recent versions Validate functionality & performance
- Maintain production software sets for a 'good' amount of time



Meluxina User Software Env. - cont'd

Software deployment

- Main provisioning toolkit: EasyBuild
 - Also enable easy integration for Spack users
 - Keep an eye on EESSI project evolution & lessons
- Lmod modules system
 - Hierarchical naming scheme from EB

EasyConfigs,Blocks & Spack packages from community

• Adapt, upgrade & contribute back as much as possible

1st production environment on MeluXina

- EB toolchains: FOSS-2020b, AMD
- Initial set of common HPC compilers, libraries, frameworks & real apps.
- Extend based on observed user need





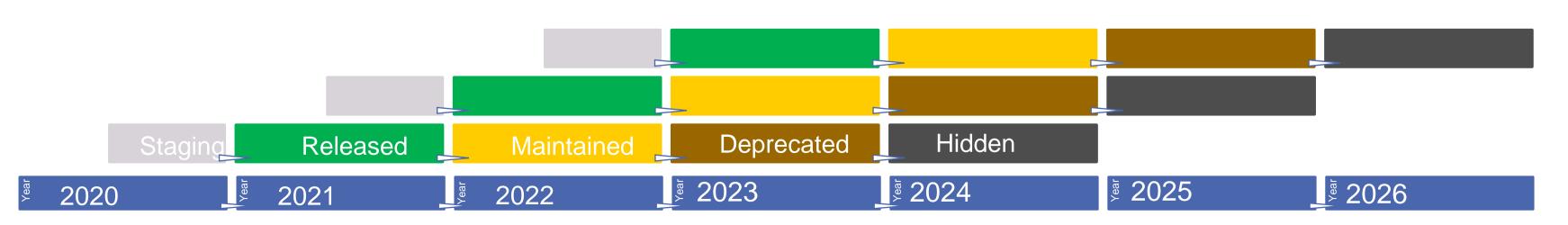
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Optimizations for MeluXina

- AOCC 2.3 & GCC 10.2: support for *znver*2
- CUDA toolkit 11+: support for Ampere
- Intel FPGA OpenCL SDK & OneAPI: support for the Stratix FPGAs

Software Environment planning

- Provide stable *production* releases
 - maintained after a while no updates but serviceable
- Provide staging stack for advanced (adventurous) user
 - used also for internal testing





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Meluxina User Software Env. - cont'd

Compilers

• AOCC, GCC, Intel, NVIDIA HPC SDK (incl. PGI)

MPI suites

• OpenMPI, Intel MPI, ParaStationMPI

Numerical & data libraries

- BLIS, Intel MKL, FFTW, OpenBLAS, ScalaPACK
- cuBLAS, cuFFT, cuDNN, TensorRT, HDF5, netCDF

Frameworks

• PyTorch, TensorFlow, Horovod, Keras, Apache Spark

Others

- Visualisation
- Build tools
- Performance and debugging tools
- Last but not least: applications!





Testing Meluxina User Software Env. - cont'd

HPC software stack challenges:

- Very complex, particular application/library version combinations work well, others don't
- Sensitive to changes
- Influenced by changes in the system configuration, OS-level drivers, libraries

Testing is essential & needs to be:

- Consistent
- Maintainable
- Automated

Periodic and on-demand testing:

- Report on performance 'jitter'
- Check new software/version behavior, regressions
- Also: verify stack reproducibility

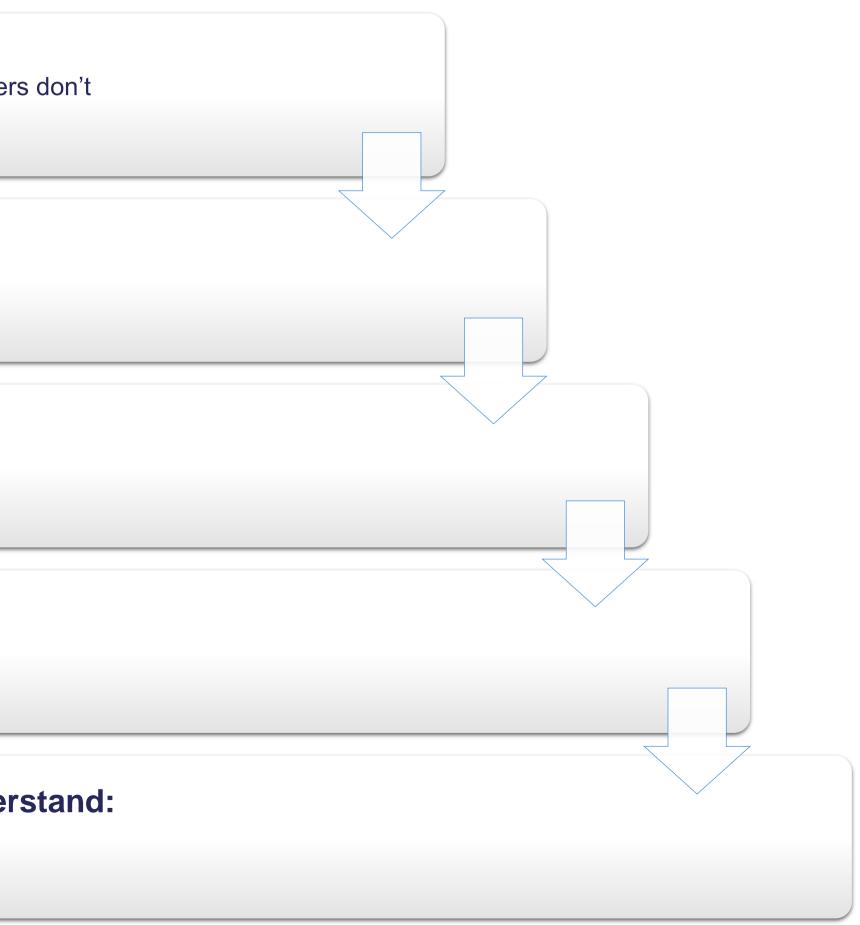
Use ReFrame for:

- Functionality tests
- Performance tests

Software usage tracking, to understand:

- System usage in view of optimization
- (Rapidly evolving) user needs





MeluXina & containerized workloads

Bring-your-software-stack-in-a-container

- One alternative to global software environment
- Users control complete stack, good for reproducibility

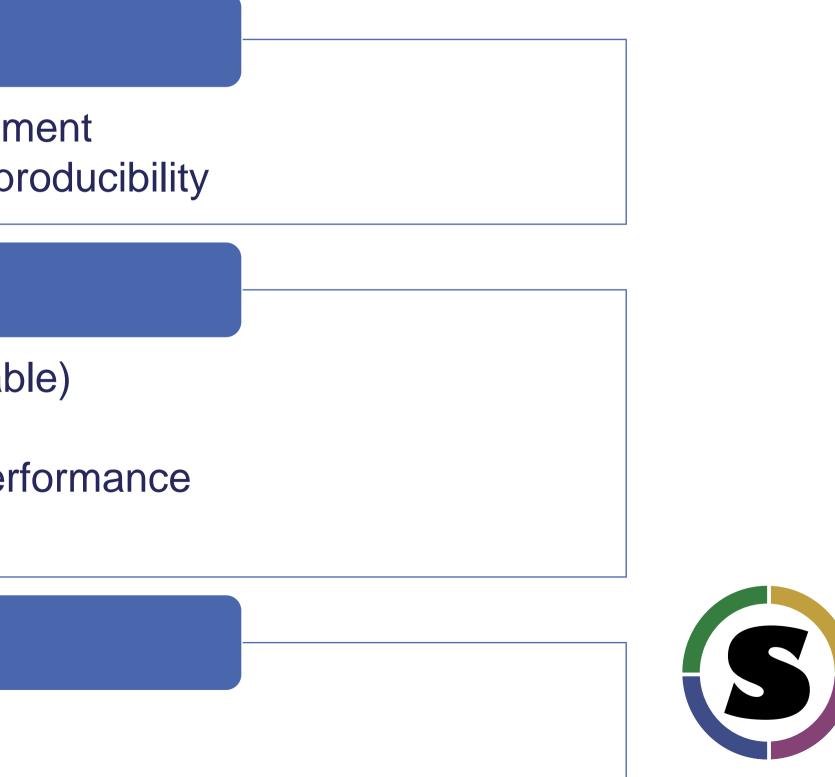
Challenges:

- Integration with MPI suites (where applicable)
- Integration with 'outer' software stack
- Integration with host drivers for optimal performance
- Security

Container system on MeluXina

PROVIDE

• Singularity



Thank you for your kind attention



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