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# Welcome and Goals/Objectives for Broader International Engagement in Big Data and Extreme-scale Computing (BDEC)

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# Guiding topical issues/questions

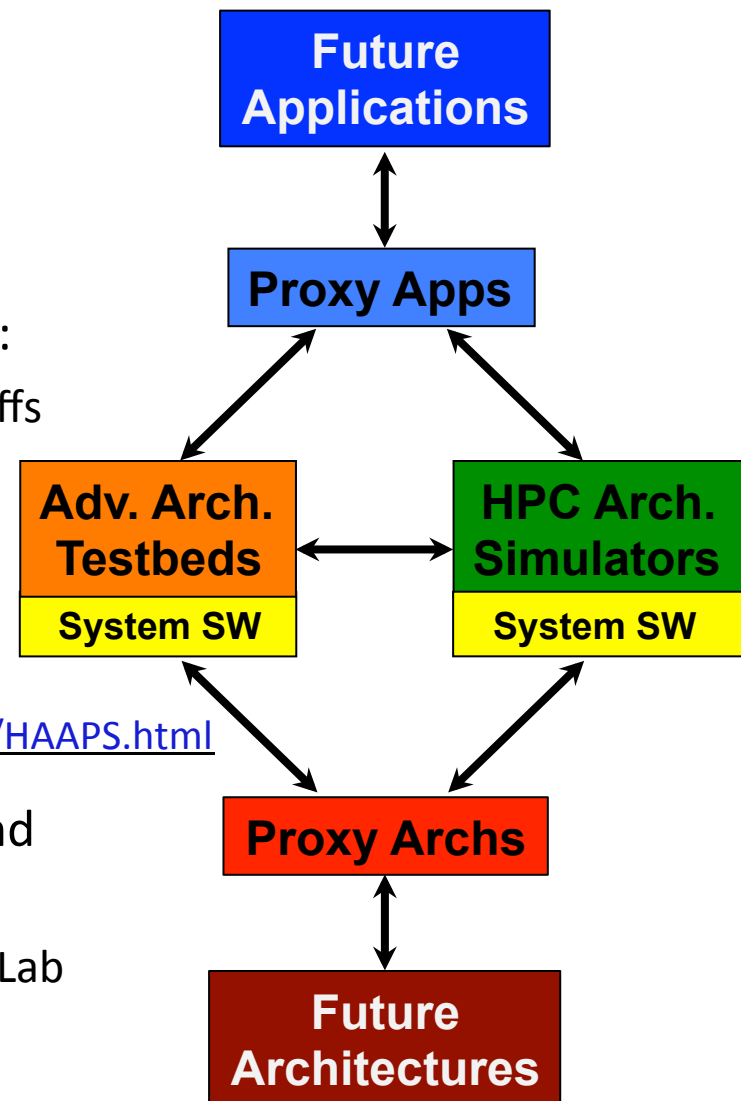
- Overview activities at your Institution that address the technical challenges in hardware and software architecture. **Highlight unique perspectives** you bring to the workshop as representatives of the broader International community.
- A key goal of the BDEC workshop is to systematically map the opportunities for BD synergy with EC. HPC systems that are created from the integration of commodity computing components, a **potential synergy is development of future EC systems with commodity components for BD**. *Do you agree with this statement and from your perspective are there other synergies that can be leveraged?*

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- **Priorities for international cooperation** in designing and developing hardware and software architectures for both BD and EC? From the perspective of your Institution, do you have examples of successful cooperation or collaboration?
- **In what areas could you benefit from contributions provided by other institutions?** What would you seek in the way of hardware and software components and tools, experimental results and findings, or driver computational challenges from the world-wide EC and BD community to further your goals in these emerging cooperative fields?

# Sandia Co-design Capabilities

- Proxy Applications (Mantevo):
  - Application source for architecture-centric optimization and analysis
  - <http://mantevo.org>
- HPC Architectural Simulation Framework (SST):
  - Flexible to accommodate fidelity/speed tradeoffs
  - <http://SST-simulator.org>
- ASC Advanced Architecture Test Beds:
  - Evolving examples of COTS “state-of-the-art”
  - [http://www.sandia.gov/asc/computational\\_systems/HAAPS.html](http://www.sandia.gov/asc/computational_systems/HAAPS.html)
- Abstract Machine Model (AMM) Definitions and associated Proxy Architectures
  - Supported by SC/ASCR Computer Architecture Lab
  - [http://crd.lbl.gov/assets/pubs\\_presos/CALAbstractMachineModelsv1.1.pdf](http://crd.lbl.gov/assets/pubs_presos/CALAbstractMachineModelsv1.1.pdf)



# Thoughts on Co-Design Paths

- Co-design paths
  - Reactive
  - Proactive
  - Holistic



- The Road Not Taken

*... Two roads diverged in a wood, and I –  
I took the one less travelled by  
And that has made all the difference*

– Robert Frost

- HPC is implicitly a road  
*less travelled by*



# Agenda: Broader Int'l Engagement in BDEC



- 2:00 Welcome & Goals/Objectives for BDEC Cooperation Opportunities to Engage the Broader International Community
- 2:10 Opening remarks and a Personal Perspective from an International BDEC Roadwarrior, Thomas Sterling, UI
- 2:30 BDEC and Alternate Architectures, Kurt Keville, MIT
- 3:00 BDEC Collaboration Opportunities in Russia, Vladimir Voevodin, MSU
- 3:30 SKA Project Update & Collaboration Opportunities, Happy Sithole, CSIR
- 4:00 Break
- 4:30 SKA, DOME & Astron Project, Ronald Luijten, IBM Research Zurich
- 5:00 BDEC Collaboration Opportunities at A\*Star/Singapore, Marek Michalewicz, A\*STAR
- 5:30 BDEC Collaboration Opportunities at KAUST/Saudi Arabia, David Keyes, KAUST
- 6:00 Wrap-up, Jim Ang and Thomas Sterling