

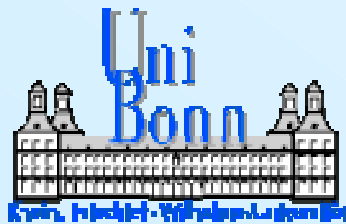
# SHARK

## A Realizable Special Hardware Sieving Device for Factoring 1024-bit Integers

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# RSA and Factoring

To break RSA it suffices to factor the used modulus  $N$ .

$$N = pq$$

$p, q$  extremely large primes

Best knowledge of today:

***Apparently*** breaking RSA is as hard as factoring  $N$ .

# Integer Factorization

Up to now no polynomial time algorithm is known.

The **General Number Field Sieve** (GNFS) is currently the best method available to attack RSA by trying to factor  $N$ .

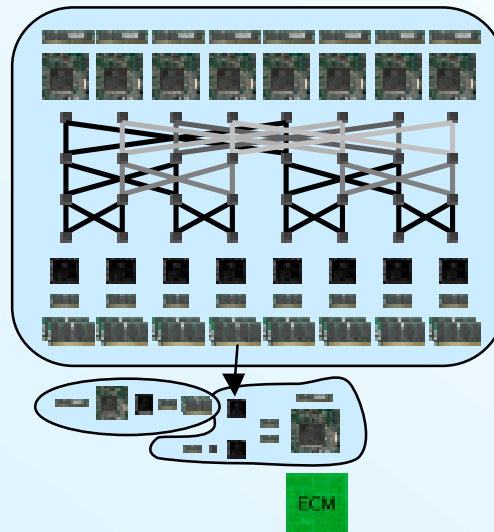
The expensive steps of GNFS:

- sieving step: find enough pairs  $(a,b) \in \mathbb{Z}^2$
- matrix step: next talk

RSA with 663 bit has been broken in software.

# Why SHARK?

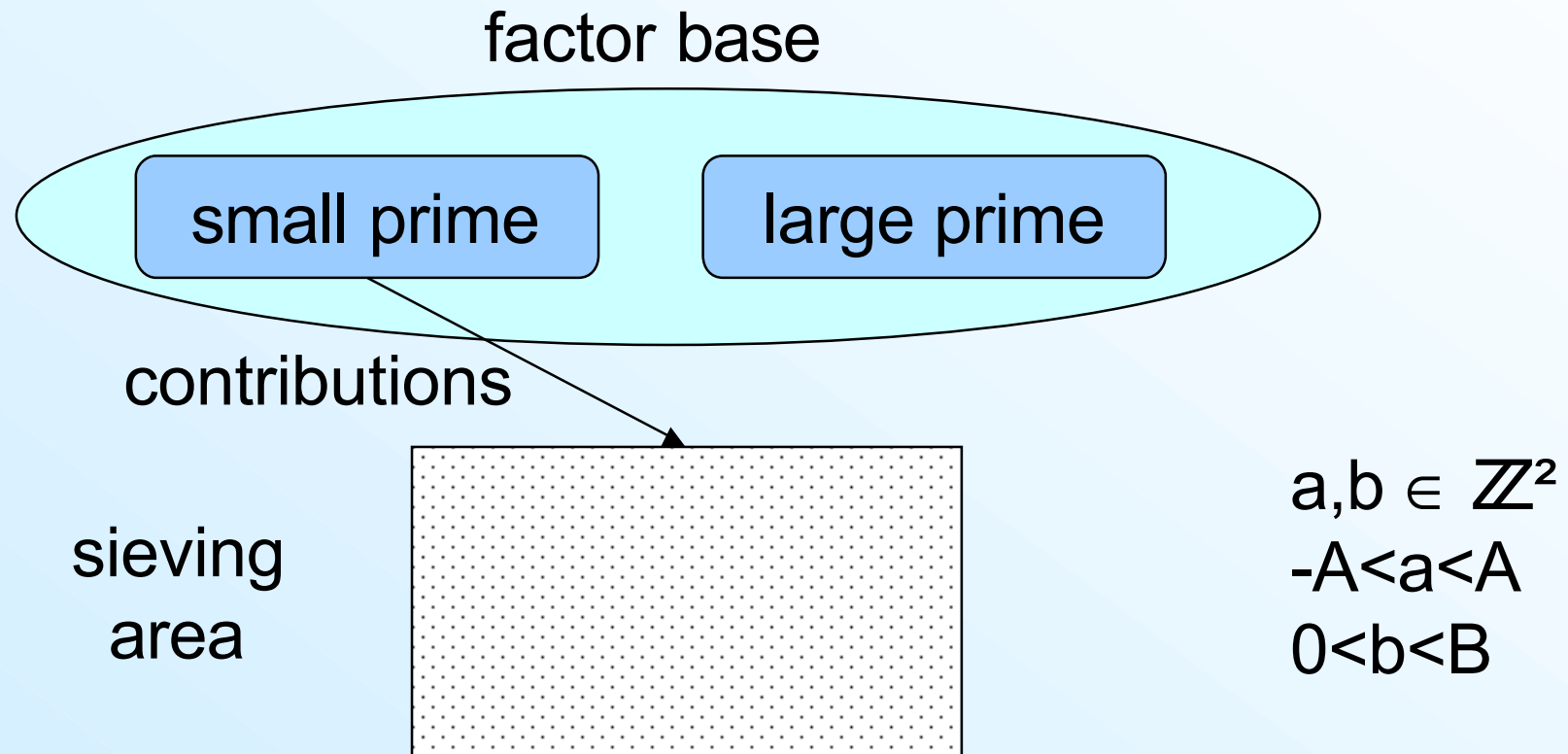
## Cracking RSA-1024



Can we do it with today's conventional technology  
for less than 1 000 000 000 US dollars?

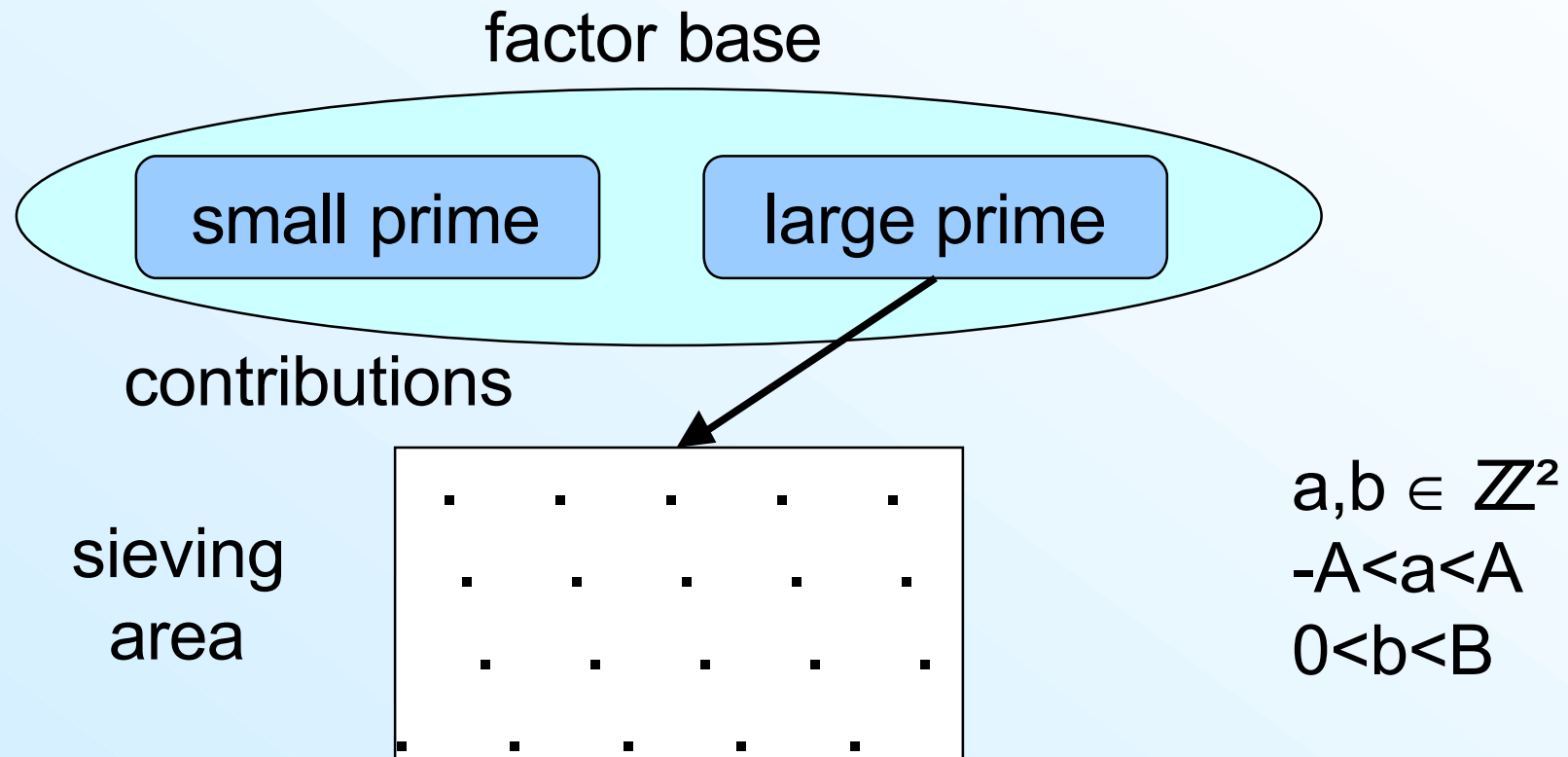
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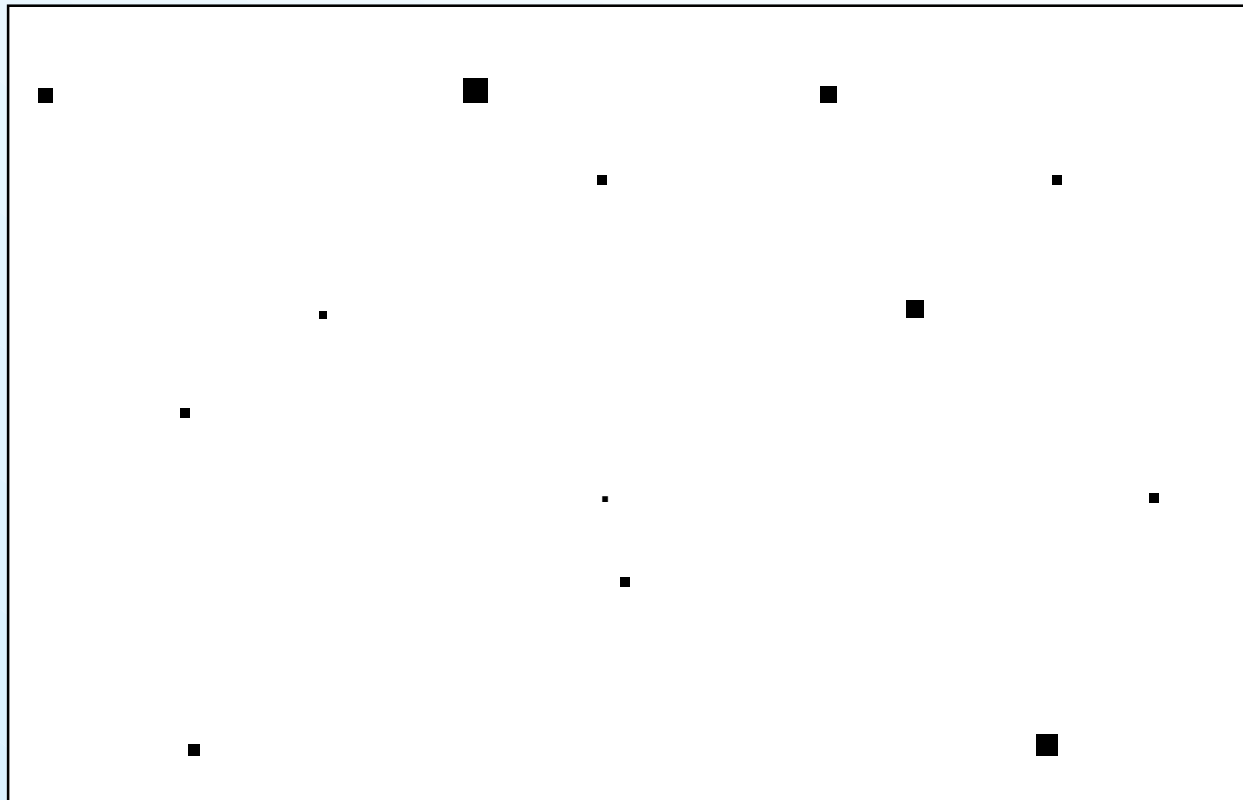


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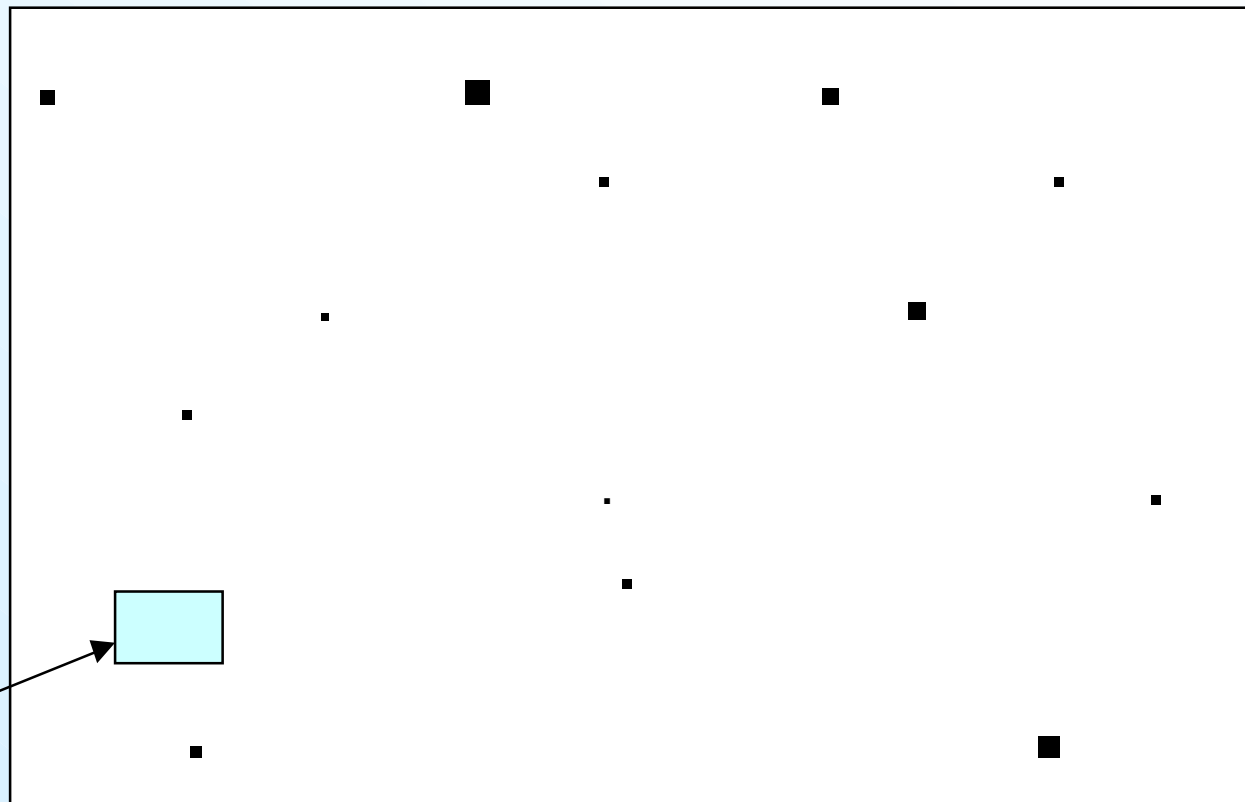
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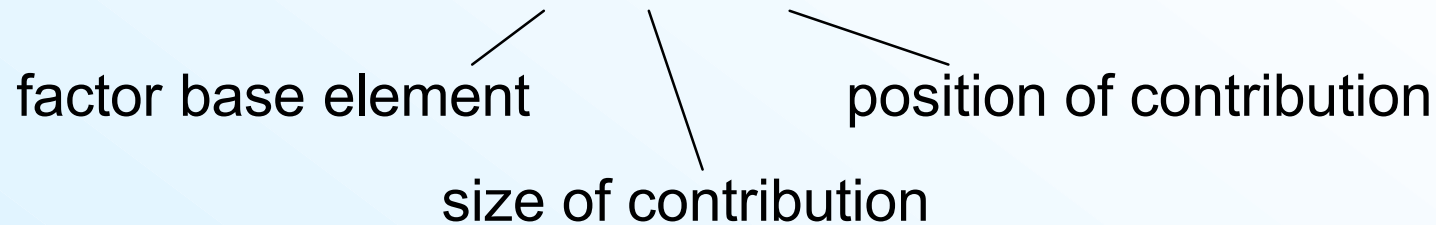
survivors

sieving  
memory



# Sieving Procedure

- Create contribution data  $(p, \log p, e)$



- “Sort” contribution data w.r.t. position  $e$
- For each position  $e$  in the sieving area check if

$$\sum_{(p, \log p, e)} \log p > \text{bound depending on } e$$

# Lattice Sieving

Only consider most promising candidates  $(a,b)$

(i.e. choose large primes  $q$ , for each  $q$  consider those  $(a,b)$  where  $q$  is contributing to)

Advantage: • more survivors (i.e. needs less sieving)

Drawbacks: • complexer computations  
• higher initialization costs  
• duplicates

Lattice sieving is the most efficient sieving technique.

And now for something completely different



## Sieving Step of GNFS in Hardware

A short history of hardware sieving devices:

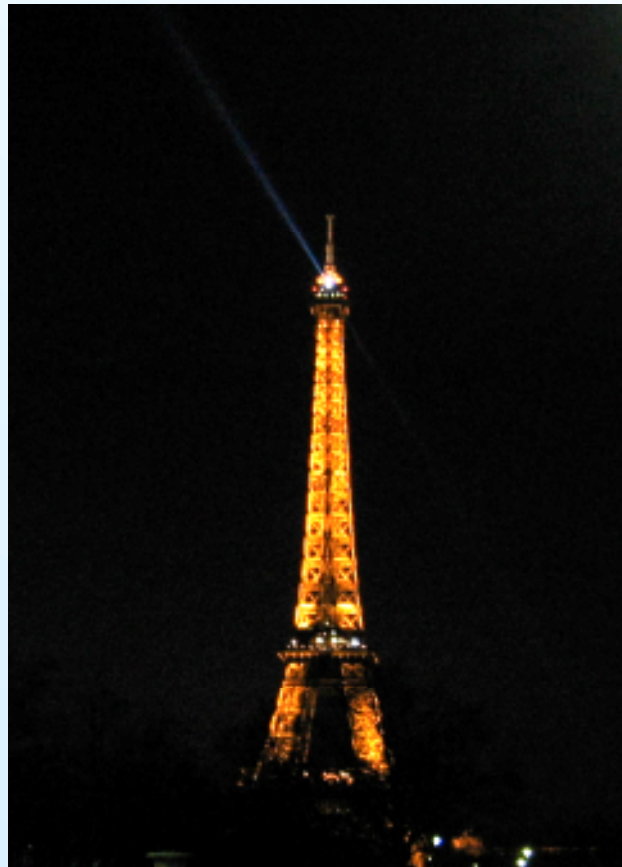
- 1999: TWINKLE
- 2003: TWIRL
- 2004: YASD
- 2005: SHARK

Supporting GNFS with cofactorization:

- ECM implementation on FPGA (SHARCS 2005)

# TWINKLE

TWINKLE by A. Shamir, optical device for 512 to 768 bit (CHES 1999)



# TWIRL

TWIRL by A. Shamir and E. Tromer, pipelined architecture for 1024 bit RSA (Crypto 2003)



## Yet Another Sieving Device

YASD by W. Geiselmann and R. Steinwandt, mesh sorting device for 1024 bit RSA, adapts ideas of D. Bernstein (CT-RSA 2004)





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# SHARK - switched on

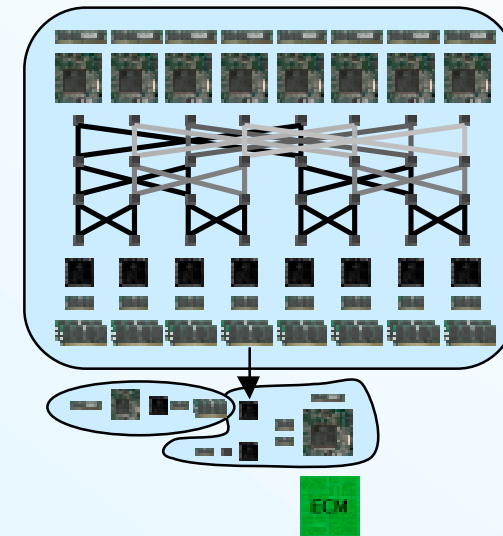
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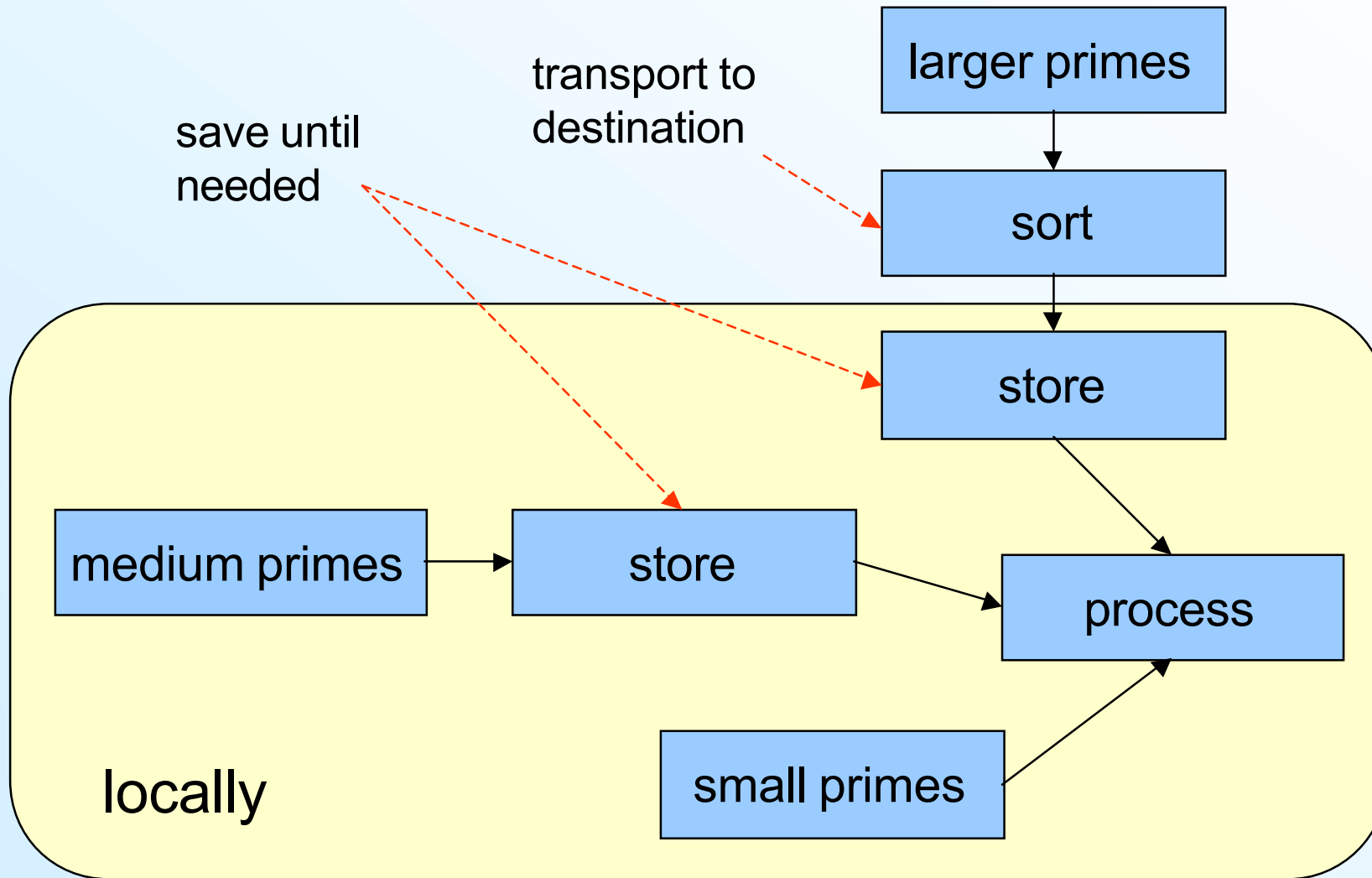
SHARK uses lattice sieving to perform the sieving step of GNFS for a 1024-bit integer within a year for around 200 million US dollars.

- 2300 identical machines
- small specialized ASICs
- of-the-shelf RAM
- modular architecture
- conventional data buses

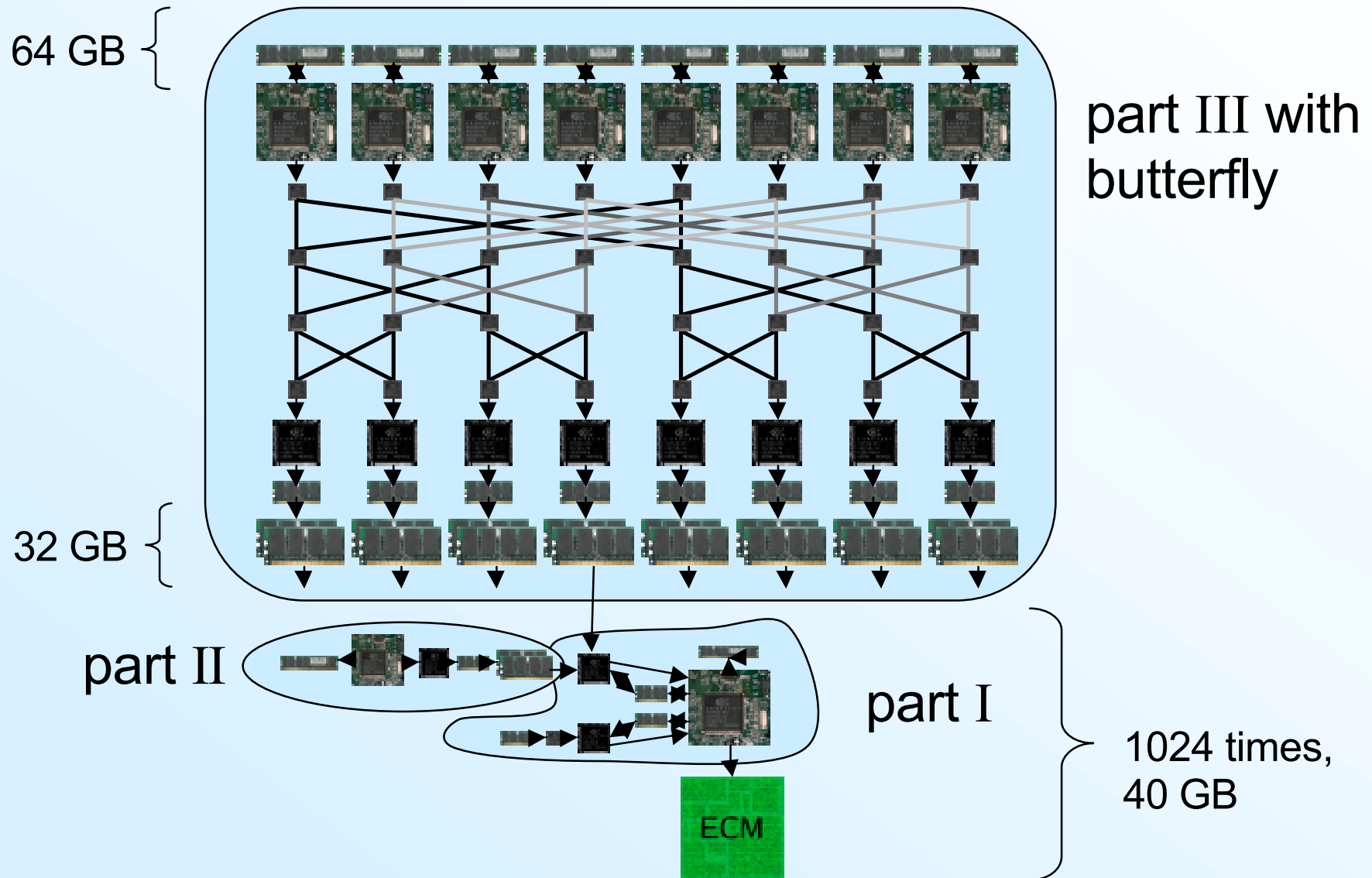


The price (without development costs) is an upper bound and can be lowered considerably by changing the parameters.

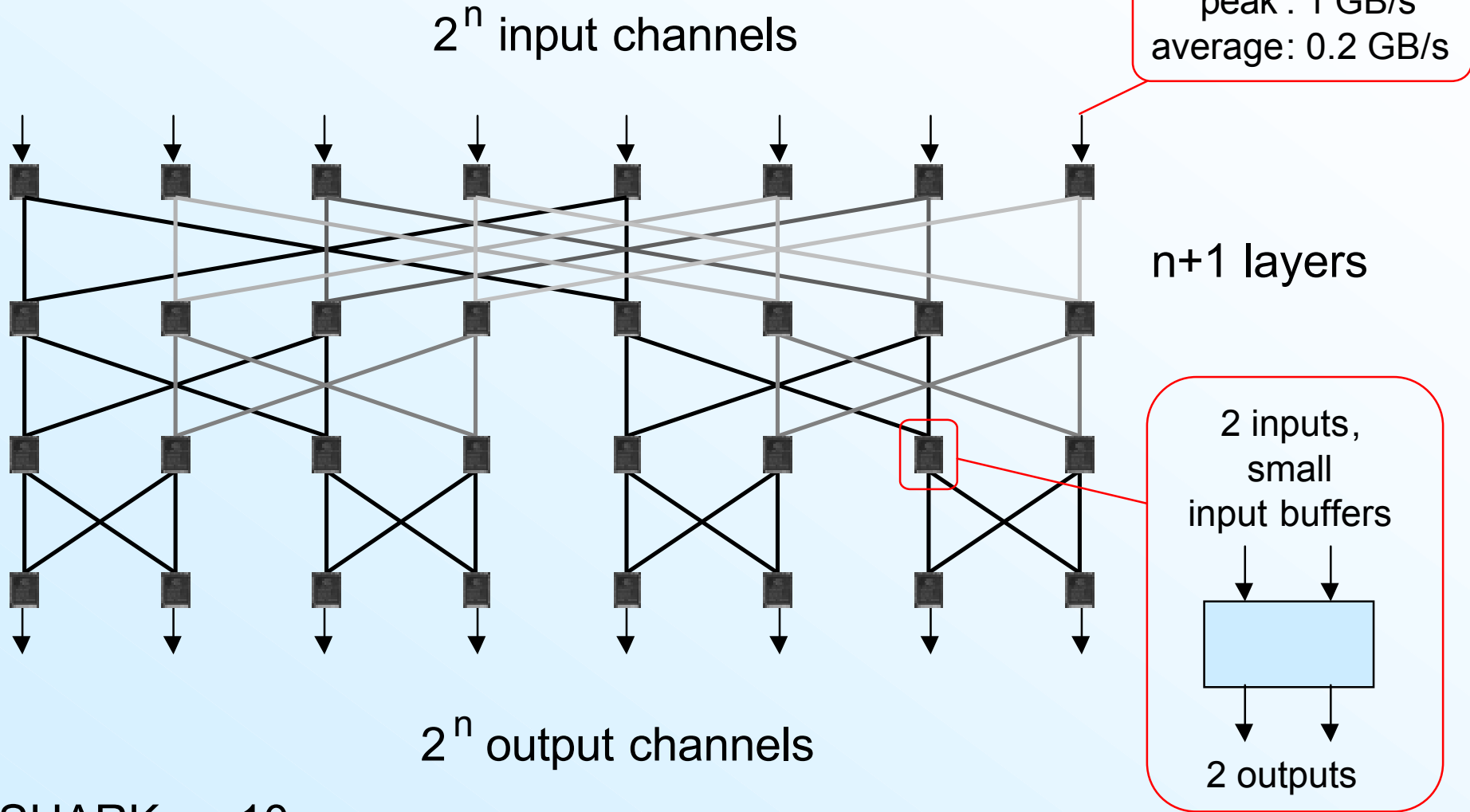
# SHARK's Main Structure



# SHARK Architecture



# Butterfly Transport System



SHARK:  $n=10$

# Rough Cost Estimates

## 1 machine:

memory:	136 GB RAM + 192 MB cache	21 000 \$
processors:	1/4 wafer + transport system	9 000 \$
power supply + additional electronic + cooling:		30 000 \$
PCs (control) + ECM (negligible):		10 000 \$
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power consumption: 30 kW	per year	25 000 \$

2300 machines complete the sieving step in one year and cost

160 million US \$ + 60 million US \$ electricity.

## Concluding Remarks

SHARK can perform the sieving step for a 1024-bit integer factorization in 1 year and costs around 200 million US \$ (pessimistic estimate).

- modular design, small ASICs, conventional memory chips
- possible improvements: better choice of parameters, more ECM, resize transport system
- realizable with today's technology



Any questions?

