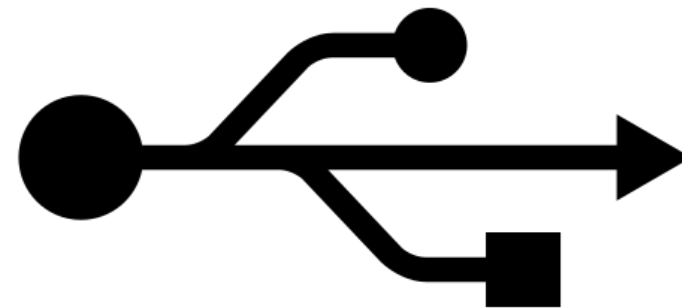


# IEEE MILESTONE IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING AND COMPUTING



*IEEE Milestone Dedication*

**Universal Serial Bus (USB)**



**30 July 2025**

# Welcome from Intel



*Dr. Richard "Rich" A. Uhlig*

*Intel Senior Fellow &  
Corporate Vice President*

*Director, Intel Labs*

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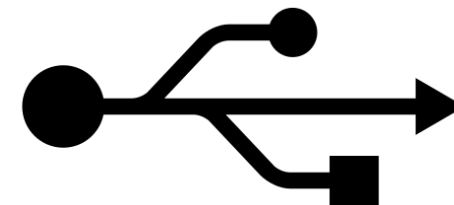
# Introductory Remarks



*Brian Berg*  
*Berg Software Design*  
*IEEE Region 6 History and Milestones Chair*

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# Overview of Our Program



**USB is the most successful I/O interface  
in the history of computing**

**It is estimated that in excess of 6 billion  
devices in use in the world today use USB**

**We're going to hear about how this happened**

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# Welcome from the IEEE Oregon Section



*David Silver*  
*IEEE Oregon Section Chair*

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# Overview of IEEE



*Alon Newton  
IEEE Region 6  
Northwest Area Chair*

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# An Overview of IEEE

***Alon Newton***

IEEE Region 6 Northwest Area Chair

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- Congratulations to Intel and the USB-IF team for their amazing achievement as honored by this IEEE Milestone!



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- **Our Vision**

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# The Founding of IEEE

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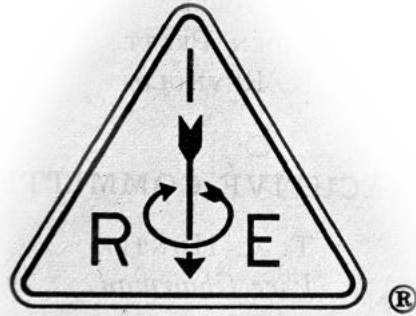
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**IRE**

Institute of Radio  
Engineers



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IEEE embodies the visions of its  
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**190**  
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**Top 10**

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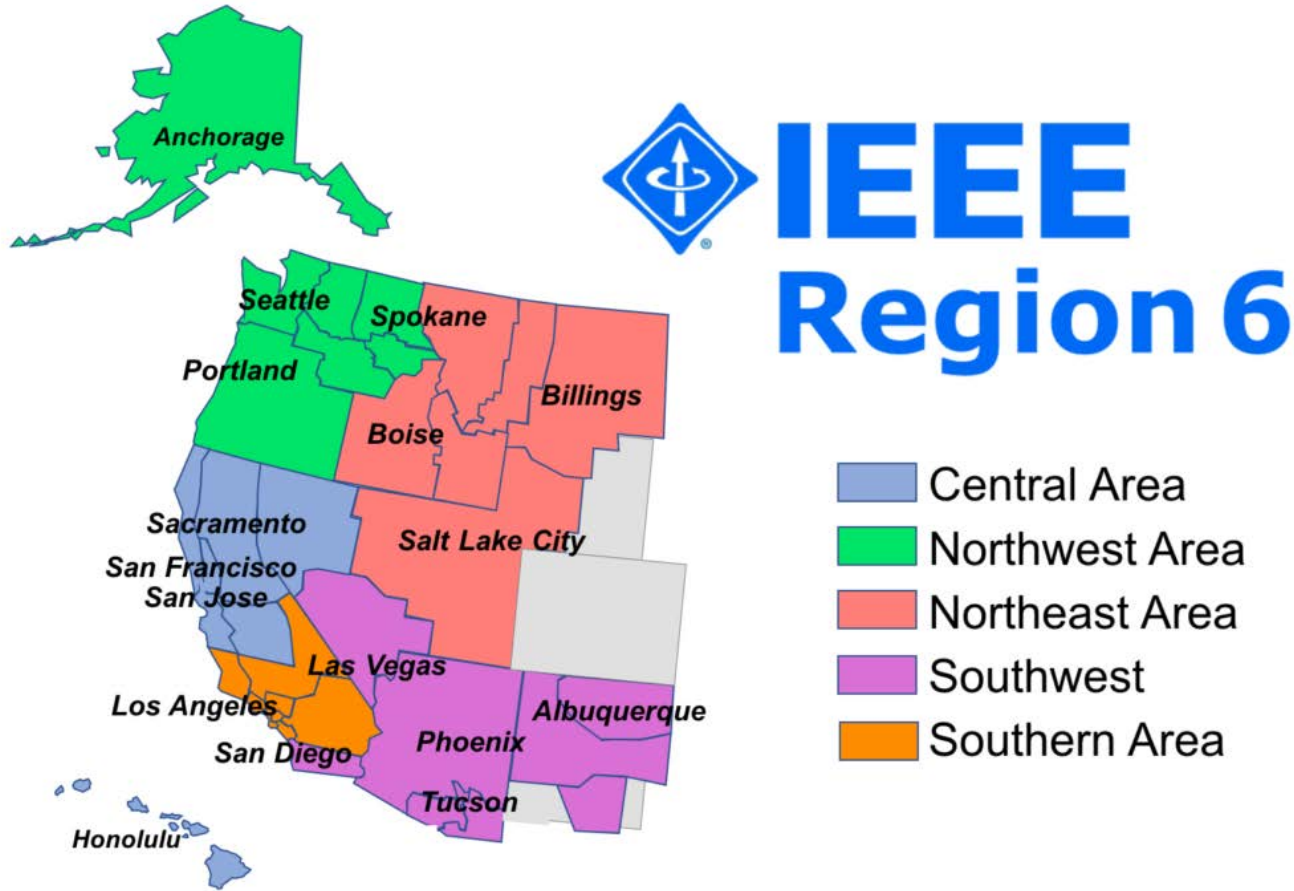
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# Region 6 Areas



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- >40,000 members (Jan 2025)
- 35 Sections (major groups)
- 88% Professional, 12% Student members
- Region 6 website <https://ieee-region6.org/>



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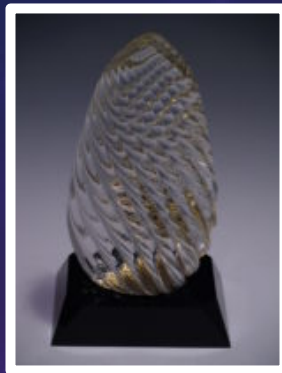
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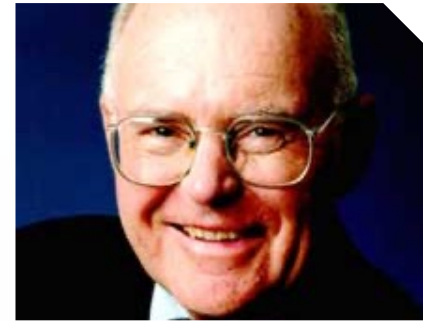
**William Shockley**

(1980, for junction, analog, and junction field-effect transistors)



**Andrew S. Grove**

(2000, for pioneering research in metal oxide semiconductor devices and technology)



**Gordon E. Moore**

(2008, for pioneering technical roles in integrated-circuit processing, and leadership in the development of MOS memory, the microprocessor computer, and the semiconductor industry)



**Mildred Dresselhaus**

(2015, for leadership and contributions across many fields of science and engineering)

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# *IEEE's Milestone Program*

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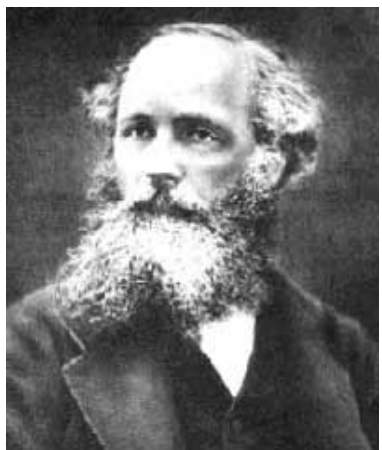


# The IEEE Milestone Program

- Milestones honor an achievement, not a person or place
- Achievement must be at least 25 years old
- Milestones are IEEE's Most public visibility
- Here are 2 Milestone plaques at the entry to Pixar's campus near San Francisco
- **Pixar is particularly proud of this recognition by IEEE since it is "an echelon above" their 23 Academy Awards**







# IEEE Milestones Around the World



- 275 Milestones dedicated since 1984, incl.:
  - Maxwell's Equations, 1860-1871
  - Stereo Sound Recording, 1931 (EMI Studios, later renamed **Abbey Road Studios**)
  - Bletchley Park Code Breaking, 1939-1945
  - CD Audio Player (The Netherlands), 1979
  - Bullet Train (Japan), 1964
  - Project Echo, Telstar, and Discovery of Cosmic Background Radiation, 1959-1965
  - Toyota Prius, the World's First Mass-Produced Hybrid Vehicle, 1997





## IEEE MILESTONE

### Apollo 11 Lunar Laser Ranging Experiment (LURE), 1969

On 1 August 1969, Lick Observatory made the first Earth-to-Moon distance measurement with centimeter accuracy. The researchers fired a gigawatt ruby laser at a retro-reflector array placed on the Moon by Apollo 11 astronauts, and measured the time delay in detecting the reflected pulse. This was the first experiment using a hand-placed extraterrestrial instrument.

August 2019

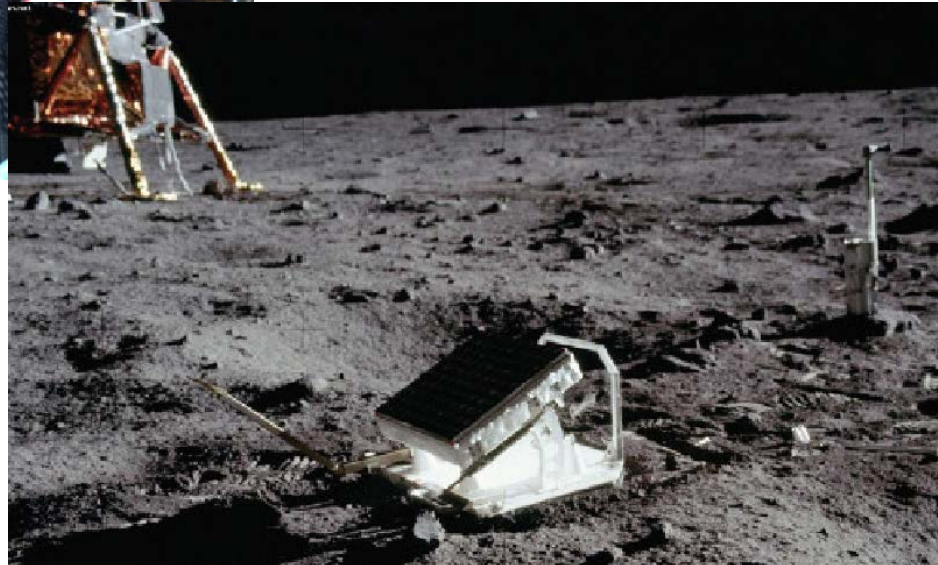




## Milestone: Lunar Laser Ranging Experiment (LURE), 1969 (using the retroreflector left by Apollo 11 astronauts)



- LURE was successful at Lick Observatory (overlooking San Jose, California)
- LURE used a **weapons-grade** 1.2 Gigawatt laser
- You may have seen this on a *Big Bang Theory* episode



Dedicated at Lick Observatory on 1 Aug. 2019  
(the **50<sup>th</sup> anniversary** of first successful measurement to the moon)

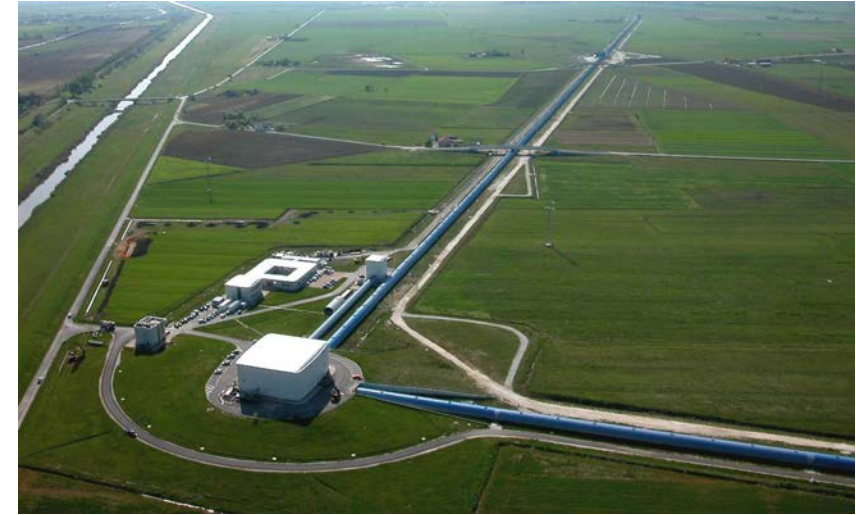
### 3 Milestones: Gravitational-Wave Antenna, 1972-1989



**LIGO: Hanford, Washington**  
with 4km long arms



**LIGO: Livingston, Louisiana**  
with 4km long arms

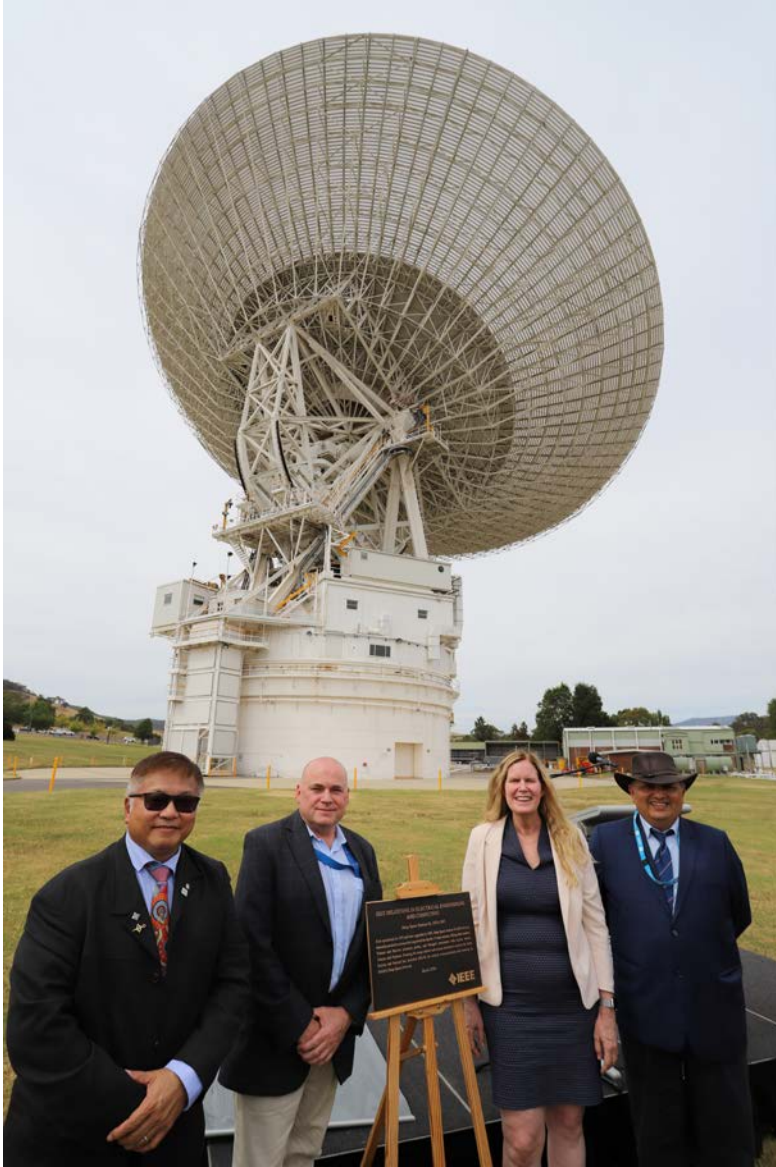


**Virgo Observatory: near Pisa, Italy**  
with 3km long arms

- Einstein's 1916 General Theory of Relativity:
  - He predicted the existence of cosmic ripples that traveled at the speed of light
  - These "gravitational waves" (GWs) carried information about their origin, and clues about the nature of gravity
- In 2015, GWs were detected at 2 LIGOs, as predicted by Einstein



# Milestone: Deep Space Station 43, 1972-1987 (Australia)

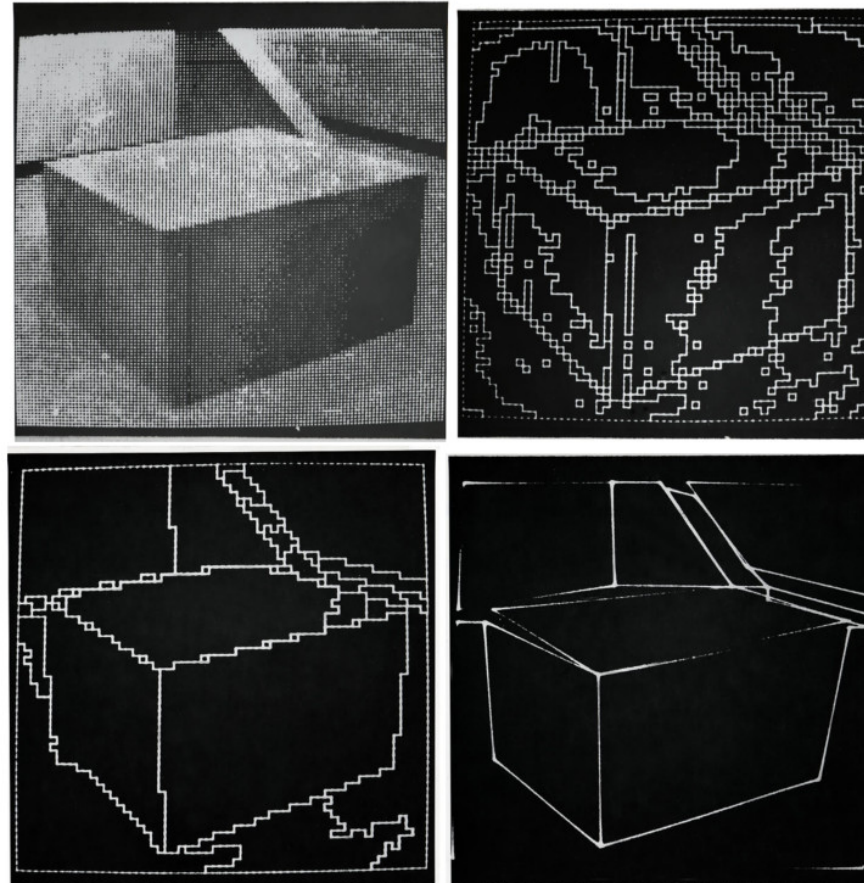
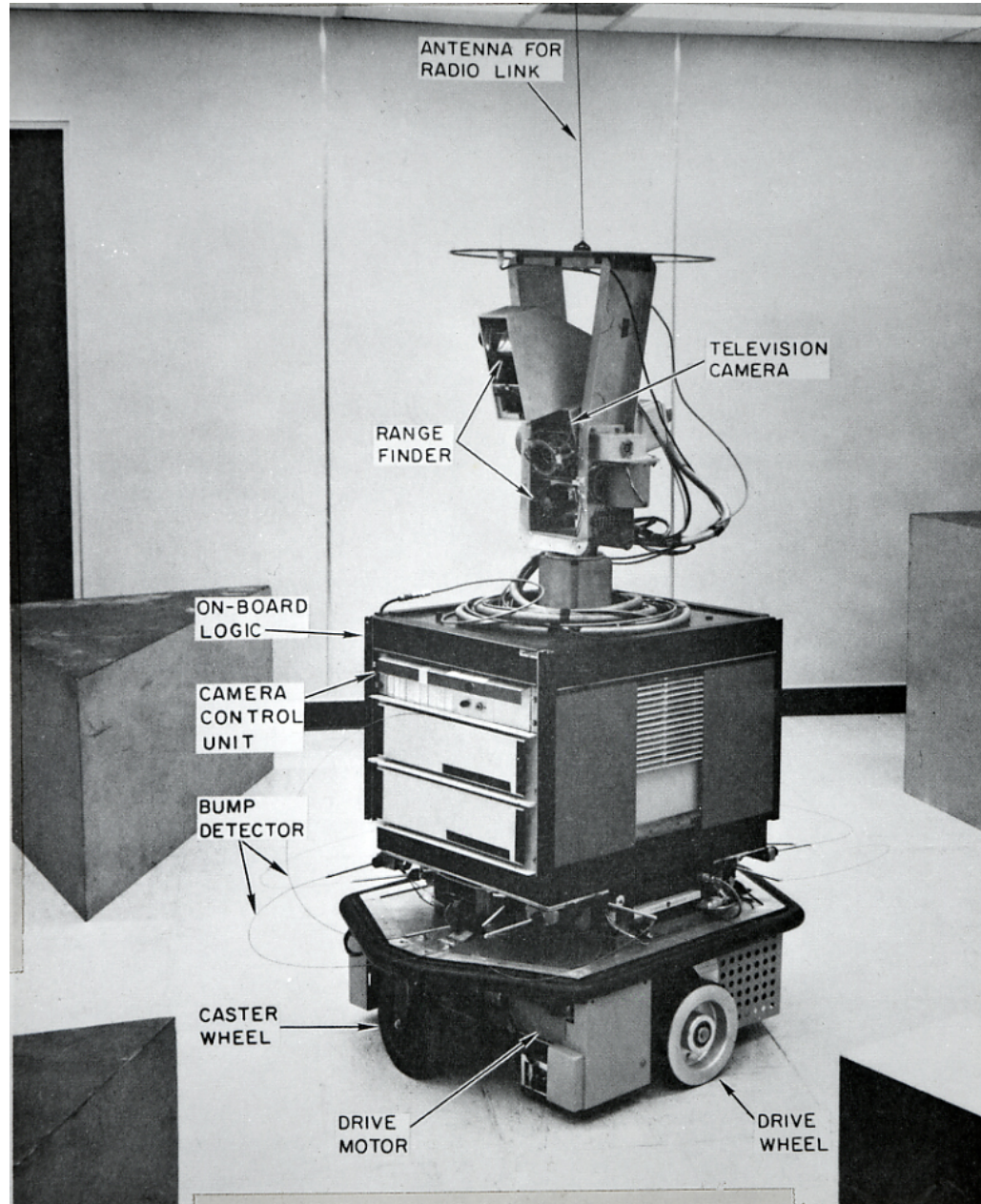


- First operational in 1972
- 70-meter steerable parabolic radio wave antenna
- Critical in **NASA's Deep Space Network**
- Supported the Apollo 17, Viking Mars landers, Pioneer and Mariner planetary probes, and Voyager's encounters with Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune.
- Only means to communicate with **Voyager 1 and 2**
- Milestone dedicated in March 2024





# Milestone - SHAKEY: The World's First Mobile, Intelligent Robot, 1966-1972



Developed  
at SRI,  
Menlo  
Park, CA

Funded by  
ARPA



## Milestone: AMPEX Videotape Recorder, 1956



1946: **Bing Crosby** was the first investor in Ampex's audio tape recording system.

Crosby pre-recorded his radio shows and mastered his audio recordings



VR1000 1956



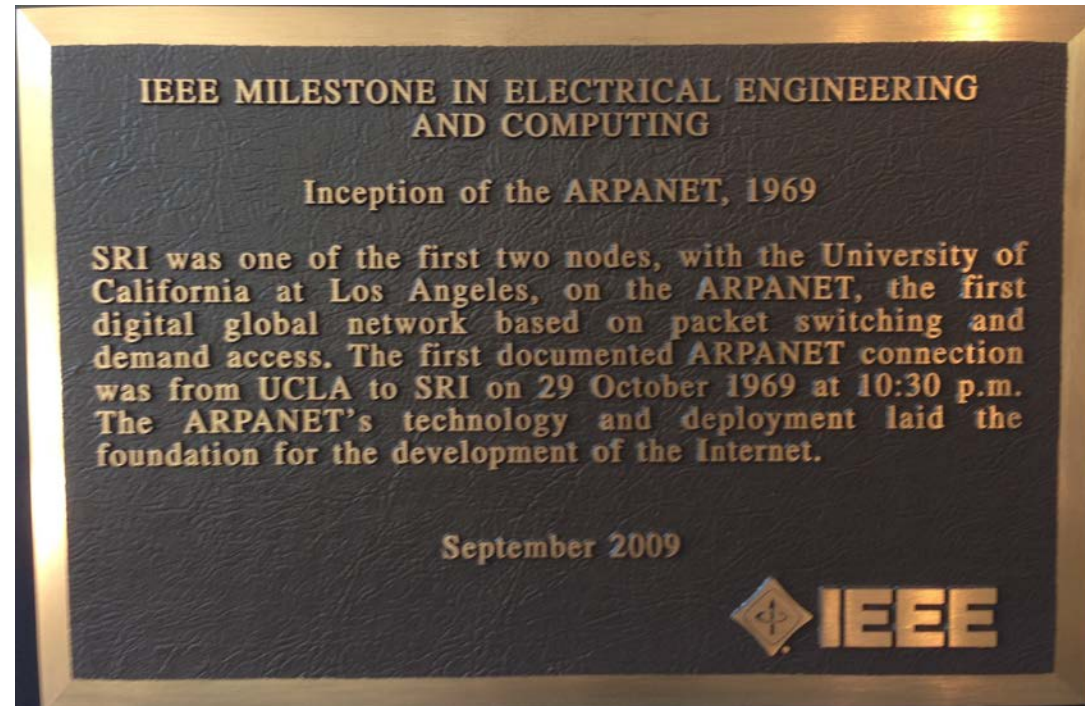
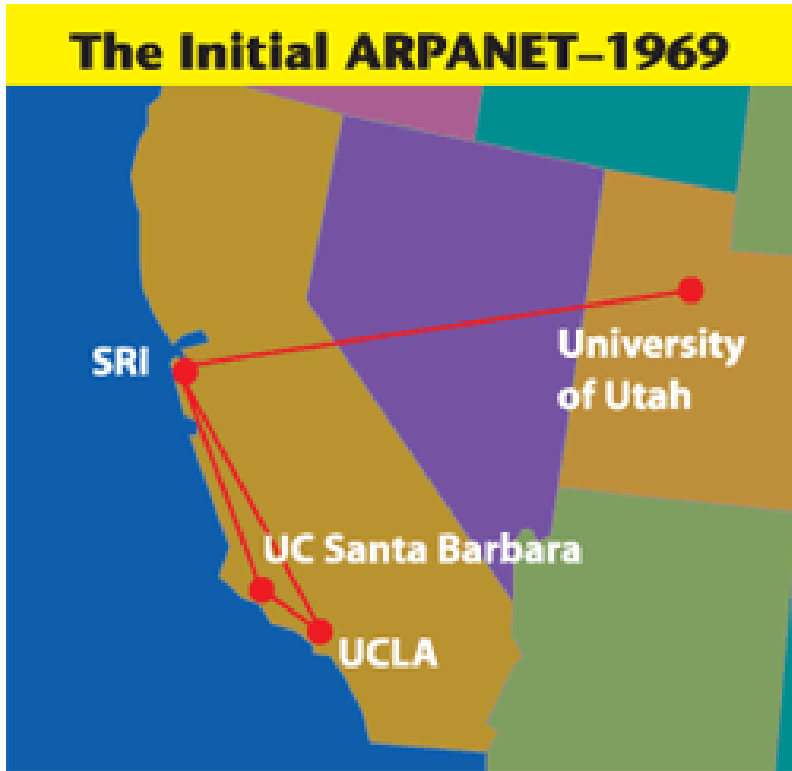
1957: Project Team with early version of the video recorder, and its **Emmy Award** (**Ray Dolby** is 2<sup>nd</sup> from left)

Ampex was in Redwood City, CA

Milestone plaque is on the Stanford Univ. campus



# Milestone: First ARPANET Transmission, 1969 (from UCLA to Stanford Research Institute)



**3 plaques in  
SRI's Visitors  
Lobby  
(including  
SHAKY)**

**Dedicated in 2009 for ARPANET's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary,  
in conjunction with IEEE's 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary**

# Milestone: University of Hawaii's 88-inch Mauna Kea Telescope, 1970

- 1970: World's highest telescope
  - 13,796' elevation
- **First computer-controlled telescope**
- Best place on earth for a telescope:
  - Above 40% of Earth's atmosphere
  - Above 90% of its water vapor
- Now one of 13 telescopes at site
- World's highest Milestone plaque
- Dedicated last month
- Mauna Kea is a dormant volcano





# Milestone “Wall of Fame” at Computer History Museum in Mountain View, CA

27 bronze  
plaques on  
the exterior  
wall

Largest  
collection of  
IEEE  
plaques in  
the world



**CHM** Computer  
History  
Museum

# Milestone “Wall of Fame” at Computer History Museum in Mountain View, CA



The left plaque in this photo is the USB duplicate plaque that was just installed on that wall

**CHM** Computer History Museum





2025 Recipient:  
**Jim Pappas**  
(on August 5)



# LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

**Jim Pappas led several initiatives that established key industry standards and organizations to the benefit of memory and storage, as well as all of computing.**



**FireWire**





# USB: How It Started



*Jim Pappas*

*Director of Technology  
Initiatives,  
Intel (retired)*

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# Problem Statement





# PC Magazine was Running Stories Like This







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# USB Leadership Team!





# Formation - USB Working Group



# Focus



# Low Cost



# Microsoft Mouse

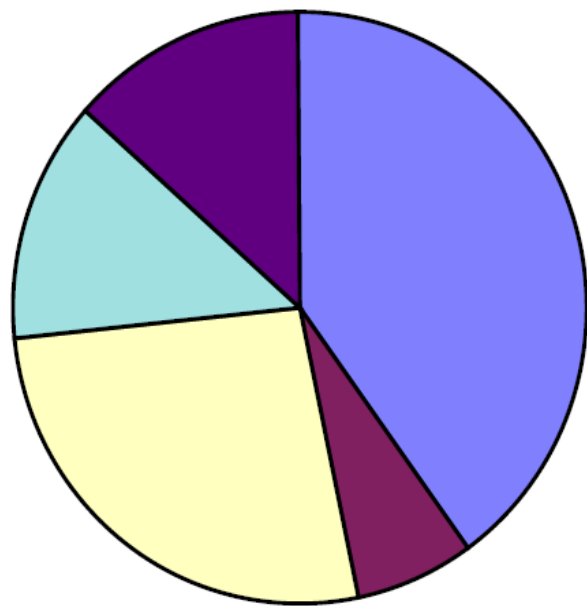




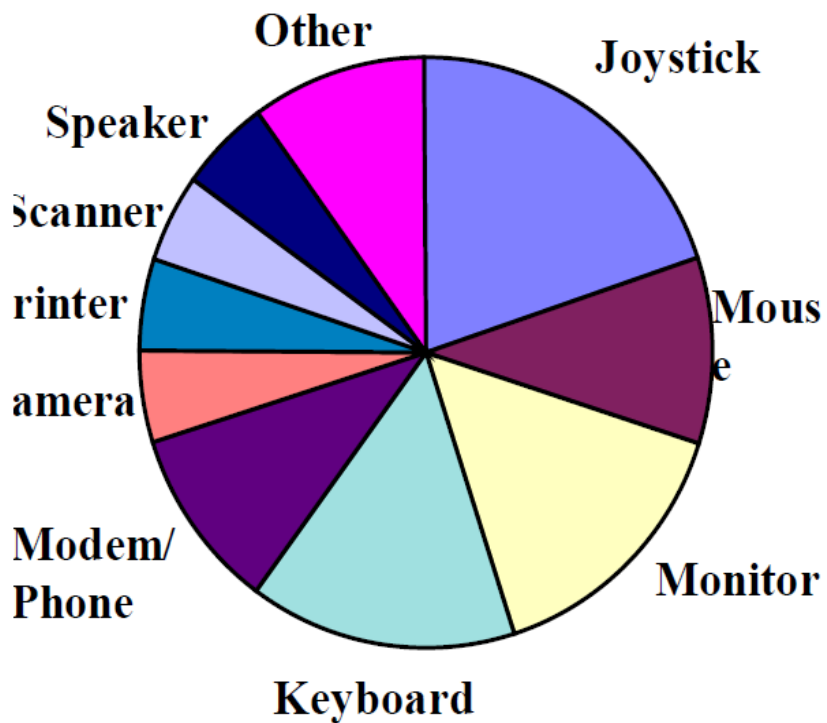
# Christmas Tree Effect



# First 100 million



**SOCKETS = 150MU**



**PERIPHERALS = 100MU**

# The Tipping Point



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**Thank You**



# USB: How We Got to Today



*Jeff Ravencraft*

*USB Implementers  
Forum (USB-IF)  
President & COO*

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# ***USB The First Thirty Years!***

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Jeff Ravencraft, USB-IF President and COO



# Agenda

- USB Success
- Where it all began
- Today's USB Data Performance and USB Power Delivery Capabilities
- Transition to USB Type-C®
- EU Mandates USB Type-C and USB PD
- USB-IF Compliance Program
- USB-IF Building Consumer Awareness
- Consumer Education Ad Campaign and [Certifiedusb.com](https://certifiedusb.com)
- USB-IF Honor Roll Award Recipients



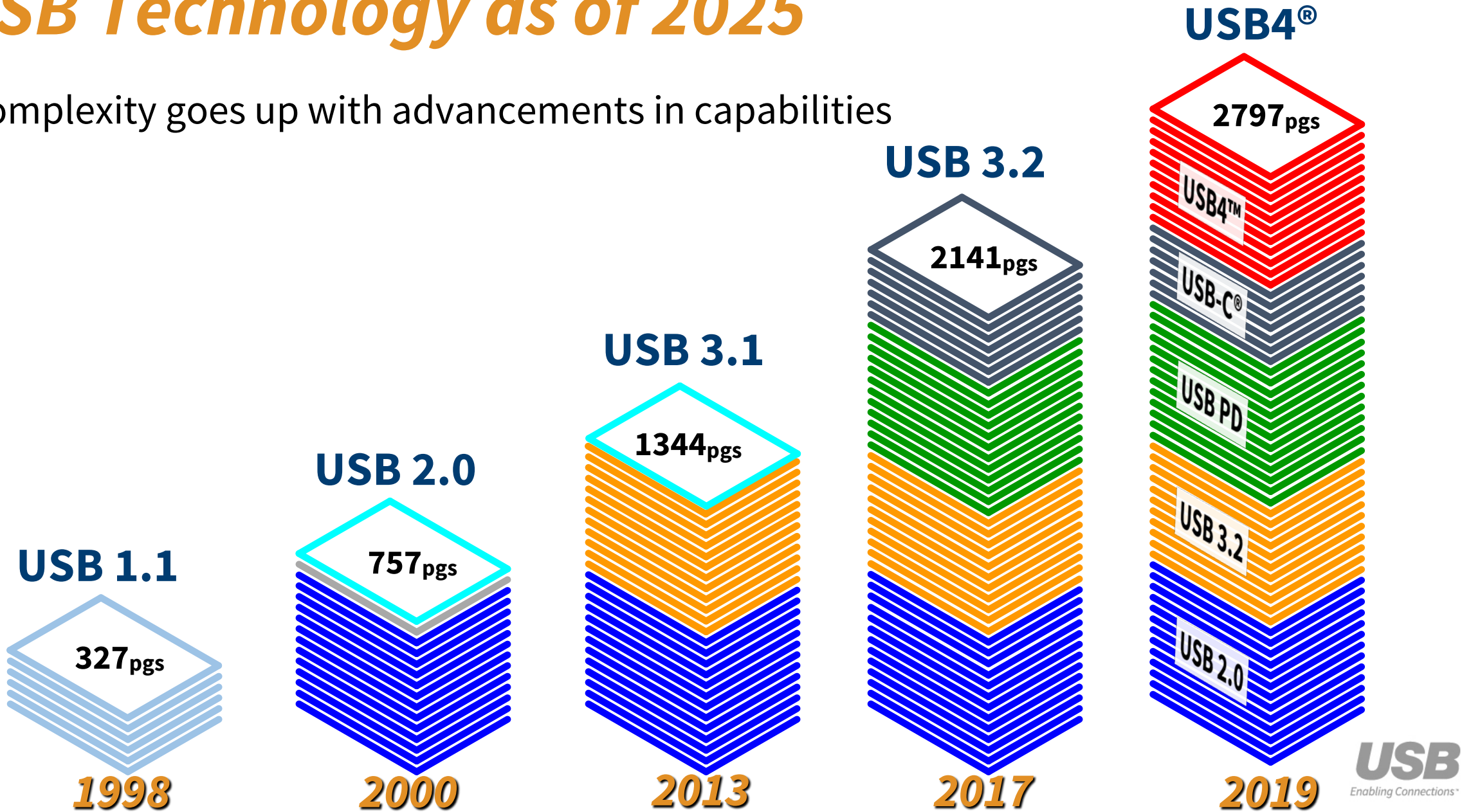


# USB the Most Successful I/O

- USB is the most successful I/O interface in the history of Personal Computing
- USB has migrated into all types of consumer electronics product segments i.e.
  - Airplanes, Automobiles, Cell phones, Desk lamps, Displays, Electric Toothbrushes, Medical electronics, Power Tools, Wall sockets etc.
  - **It's everywhere!**
- USB has been the number one I/O for 30 years
- With the advent of USB4®, USB Type-C® and USB Power Delivery, USB continues to be at the top of the food chain for data performance, charging and Ease-Of-Use for consumers
- There are Billions of USB Devices in the install base today and the industry ships billions of USB products into the market every year, year over year

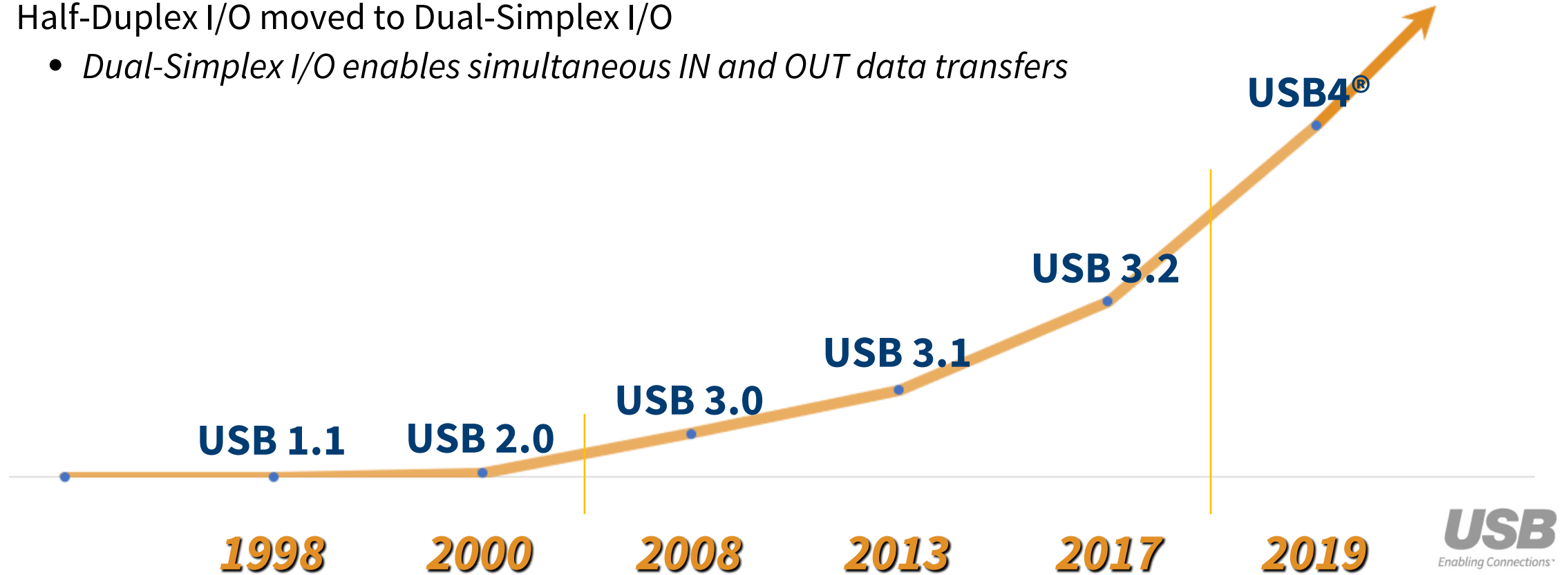
# USB Technology as of 2025

- Complexity goes up with advancements in capabilities



# USB Technology as of 2025

- As bus speed increased, additional performance benefits improved bandwidth efficiency
  - Transport protocol overhead has reduced from over 20% to less than 5%
  - Half-Duplex I/O moved to Dual-Simplex I/O
    - *Dual-Simplex I/O enables simultaneous IN and OUT data transfers*





# *USB Data Performance, USB PD, and USB-C®*

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# USB4<sup>®</sup> Version 2.0 Specification

*Enabling Up to 120Gbps of data over USB Type-C<sup>®</sup>*

- A major update enabling a bandwidth boost up to 120Gbps of data performance over the USB Type-C<sup>®</sup>
- Increased data performance to benefit data-intensive applications, including:
  - High-performance 8K displays, storage, and USB-based hubs and docks.
- Key characteristics:
  - Certain applications, will take advantage of bandwidth boost to 120Gbps/40Gbps configuration that is available through reconfiguring the lanes over the USB-C<sup>®</sup> interface.
  - Directly tunnels DisplayPort<sup>™</sup> and PCI Express<sup>®</sup>.
    - Aligns with DisplayPort<sup>™</sup> Revision 2.1 and PCI Express<sup>®</sup> Revision 4.
  - **Backward compatibility with all previous versions of USB.**
- USB-C<sup>®</sup>/USB Power Delivery (USB PD) specifications were updated to enable this higher level of performance.

# USB PD 3.2 Specification

*Up to 240W of power over USB Type-C®*



- Enables up to 240W of power over the USB Type-C® cable and connector.
- Extending USB Power Delivery to a wider-range of applications beyond 100W.
- Key characteristics:
  - Adjustable Voltage Supply (AVS)
    - Enables the device under charge to manage the charger by requesting specific voltages to 100-mV resolutions
  - **Backwards compatible to USB PD 3.1**
- USB Type-C specification was updated to Release 2.1 which defines 240W cable requirements





# Transition to USB Type-C®

- Products were being designed with smaller form factors/Z-Height (vertical thickness).
- USB Mini/Micro connectors were not designed to support larger devices i.e., laptops, tablets, larger storage devices etc. They were only designed to support cell phones and were not robust enough for larger devices.
- Higher data performance and higher power (wattage) for charging were key drivers.
- As the new smaller connector was being contemplated, it was determined:
  - To make the new connector reversible (doesn't matter how you plug it in)
    - Eliminate the original USB keyed connector designs that came before USB-C®
  - Eliminate the A and B designations on each end for host and device respectively
    - Intelligent devices can also function as a Host vs. a Device
  - Both ends of a USB-C® cable are the same and interchangeable except for transition cables.

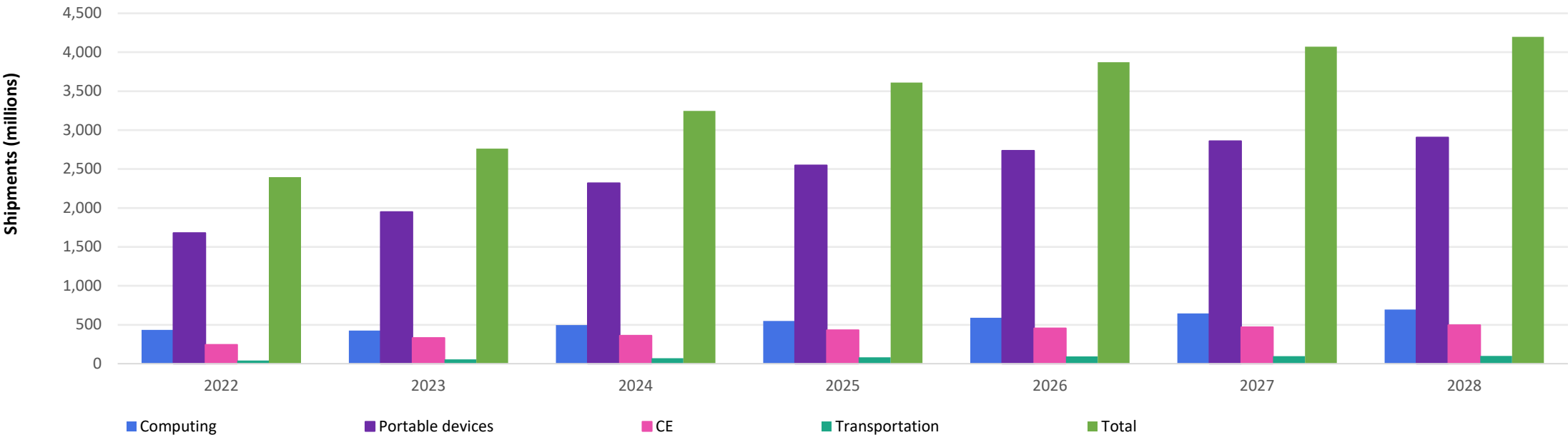
## USB Type-C was born!



# USB Type-C® Global Device Shipments

## USB Type-C® 2024 Report – Omdia

USB-C shipments by segment



Source: Omdia

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# *EU Mandates USB-C<sup>®</sup>/USB PD*

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# Global Positions on USB Common Charging

*USB common charging for environmental/e-waste policies.*



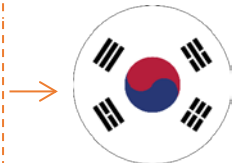
EU legislation mandates portable electronic devices are required to implement a USB-C® standard charging port and USB PD by Jan 2025 and Q1 2026 for laptops. Draft legislation for EPS/chargers covers USB charging up to 240W.



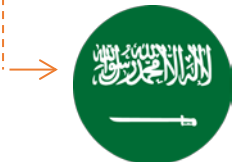
India has a directive for portable electronic devices to implement USB-C standard charging port effective March 2025. Separate legislation to be considered for wearables.



Brazil drafted legislation for cell phones and chargers to implement USB-C charging port as of July 2024.



The Korean government announced 'USB-C application guidelines'; recommended applying USB-C in products.



Saudi Arabia requires all new portable electronic devices use USB Type-C® and USB Power Delivery charging ports effective Jan. 1, 2025, and laptops starting April 1, 2026.

**Most common charging policies in many countries are based on USB-C and USB PD specifications**

# USB-IF Compliance/Certification Program

- USB specifications define the product design targets at the level of interfaces and mechanisms.
- To complement the specifications and enable measurement of compliance in real products, the USB-IF instituted a Compliance Program that provides reasonable measures of acceptability.
- The Compliance Program uses multiple test specifications along with a Test ID (TID) to track and define the test criteria used to evaluate a product.
- Products that pass this level of acceptability are considered USB-IF certified and are added to the Integrators List and have the right to license the USB-IF Logos.

# USB-IF Authorized Independent Test Labs





# *USB-IF Branding (Product Logos)*

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# Unified USB-IF Certified Logo & Branding Summary

## Host & Device Data Performance Logos

Name	Packaging Logo	Port Logo
USB 80Gbps		
USB 40Gbps		
USB 20Gbps		
USB 10Gbps		
USB 5Gbps		





# Unified USB-IF Certified Logo & Branding Summary

## USB Type-C® Cable Logos

Name	Packaging Logo		Cable Logo	
USB 80Gbps Cable				
USB 40Gbps Cable				
USB 20Gbps Cable				
USB 5Gbps Cable				





# *Consumer Education Ad Campaign and Certifiedusb.com website*

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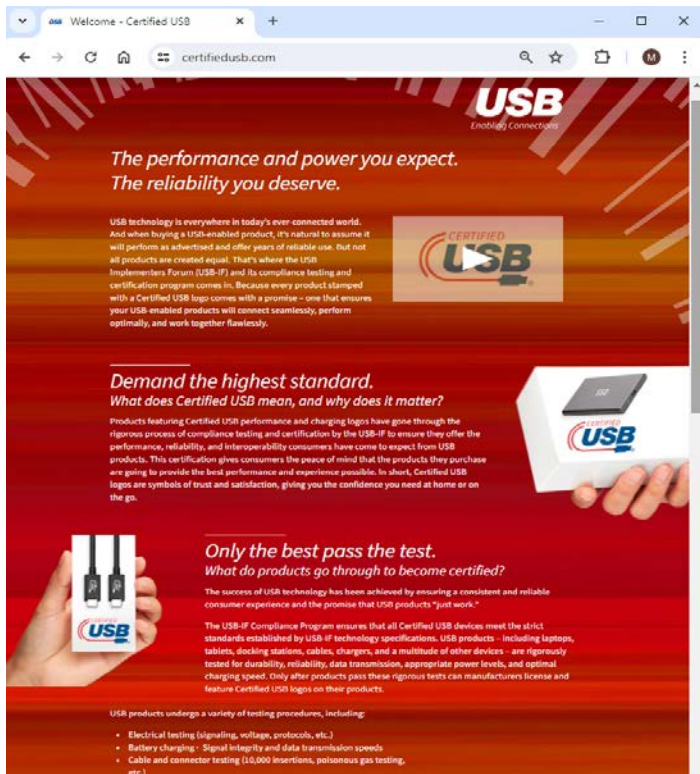
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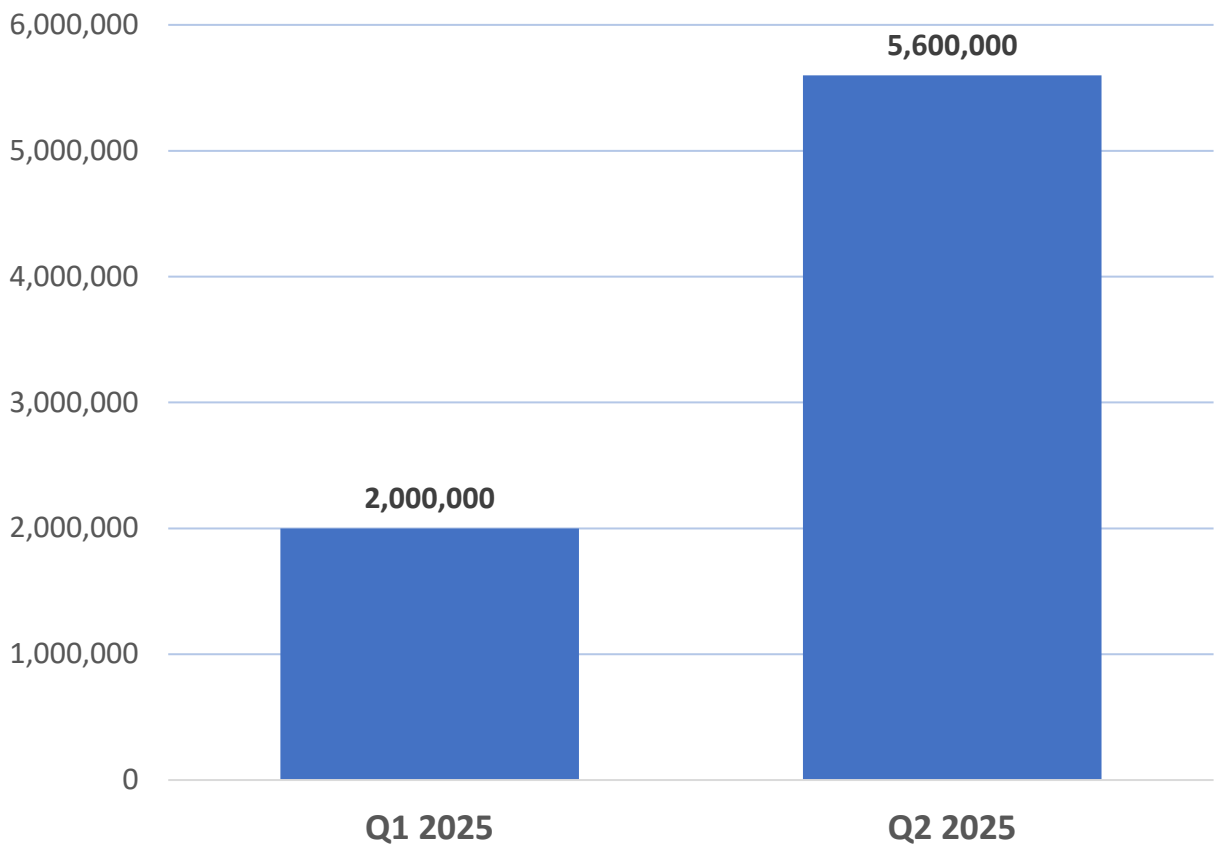
# CertifiedUSB.com

## USB-IF Website Metrics

- 7.6 million visits YTD
  - 4.8 million active users globally
- 10.9 million views of Certified USB video YTD
  - Google Ads, Amazon, and YouTube campaigns



2025 Website Visits (YTD)





# USB-IF Honor Roll Awards

## The First 10 Years

**Ajay Bhatt**  
**John Garney**  
**Jim Pappas**  
**Stephen Whalley**  
**Bala Cadambi**  
**Brad Hosler**  
**John Howard**  
**Dan Froelich**  
**Jim Choate**  
**John Keys**  
**Kosar Jaff**

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**Ralph Smith**  
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**Masami (Matt) Katagiri**  
**Yoshiyuki Tomoda**  
**Fred Bhesania**  
**Rene Sommer**

**Sue Vining**  
**Ed Beeman**  
**Ron Schooley**  
**Terry Remple**  
**Shelagh Callahan**  
**Steve McGowan**  
**Nathan Sherman**  
**Dave Thompson**  
**Nobuo Furuya**  
**Jeff Morriss**  
**Mike Glass**



# USB-IF Honor Roll Awards

**Glen Chandler**  
**Peter Teng**  
**Dan Ellis**  
**Alan Berkema**  
**Yun Ling**  
**Mark Saubert**  
**Mark Bohm**  
**Glen Slick**  
**Terry Lin**  
**Morten Christiansen**  
**Mike Campbell**  
**Jeff Ravencraft**

**Joseph Scanlon**  
**Marcin Behrendt**  
**Jim Koser**  
**Subramanyam Sankaran**  
**Bob Dunstan**  
**Stone Lin**  
**Martin Borge**  
**Mark Maszak**  
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**Saleem Mohammad**  
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**Mike Engbretson**  
**Brad Saunders**  
**Karthi Vadivelu**  
**Terrill Moore**  
**Randy Aull**  
**Craig Wiley**  
**Alvin Cox**  
**Sarah Boen**  
**Curtis Stevens**



# Welcome to the Next Thirty Years





# Panel Discussion

## USB – The Ubiquitous Connector: *Digging Deeper*



*Jim Pappas*  
*Jeff Ravencraft*

*Ajay Bhatt*  
*Intel Fellow*  
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*Abdul (Rahman) Ismail*

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# USB: Digging Deeper – Panel Discussion



**In May, Ajay Bhatt's  
work on USB was  
honored with the  
Padma Shri Award by  
the President of India**



# USB: Digging Deeper – Panel Discussion

Ajay Bhatt (left) and  
Bala Cadambi at the  
**2013 European  
Inventor Award**  
ceremony in  
Amsterdam.

They were amongst 5  
recognized for their  
work on **USB  
technology**



3 other co-winners: Jeff Morriss, Shaun Knoll, and Shelagh Callahan

# Panel Discussion

## USB – The Ubiquitous Connector: *Digging Deeper*



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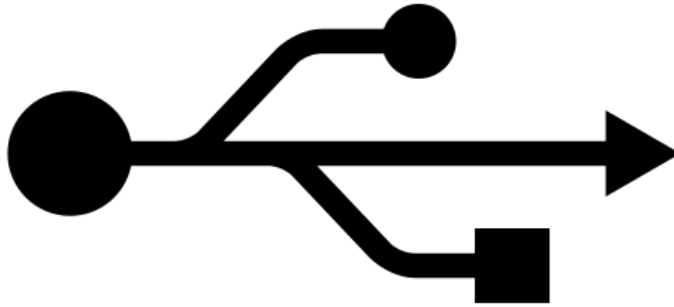
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The USB Flash Drive Made the Floppy Obsolete



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## USB Flash Drives





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## iMac G3



- *First computer with USB:*
  - *2 USB connectors*
  - *USB Keyboard*
  - *USB Mouse*
  - *No built-in floppy*
- *USB Floppy was available*
- *\$1299*
- *6.5 million units sold*
- *“i” in name: “internet ready”*
- *Unique design: a cultural icon*

***Released: August 15, 1998***

# USB: Digging Deeper – Panel Discussion

## USB License Plates



# USB Plaque Citation Reading and Dedication



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## Universal Serial Bus (USB), 1996

An industry consortium published the first Universal Serial Bus (USB) specification in January 1996. Initially intended to simplify attaching electronic devices to a PC, USB became a very successful low-cost, high-speed interface for home and business use. Its ability to support new device classes and functionalities, including data storage, power delivery, and battery charging, has made USB's cabling, connectors, and logo recognizable worldwide.

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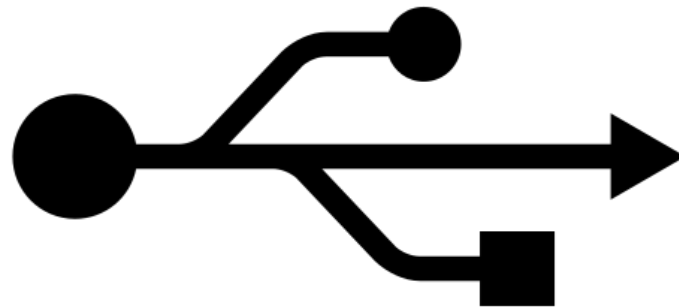




# Closing Remarks

Thank you to our program participants!  
I hope you have had fun, and learned something new!

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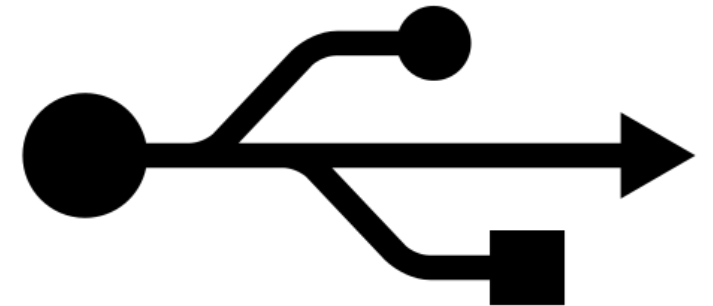
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*Thank you all for coming!*

**We will now unveil the bronze plaque  
in the Front Lobby**

**Refreshments in the Trillium Room**

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**Universal Serial Bus (USB)**



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