# Technology evolution

# Technologies evolution with power reserve

- ◆ "Moore's law" 1965:
  - the capacity of the electronic components doubles every 18 months
  - for more than 35 years this law has been respected
  - multiplication of the capacities by 10.000.000
  - at about constant price

- → "Machrone's law":
  - the machine which you need costs always less than 5000\$

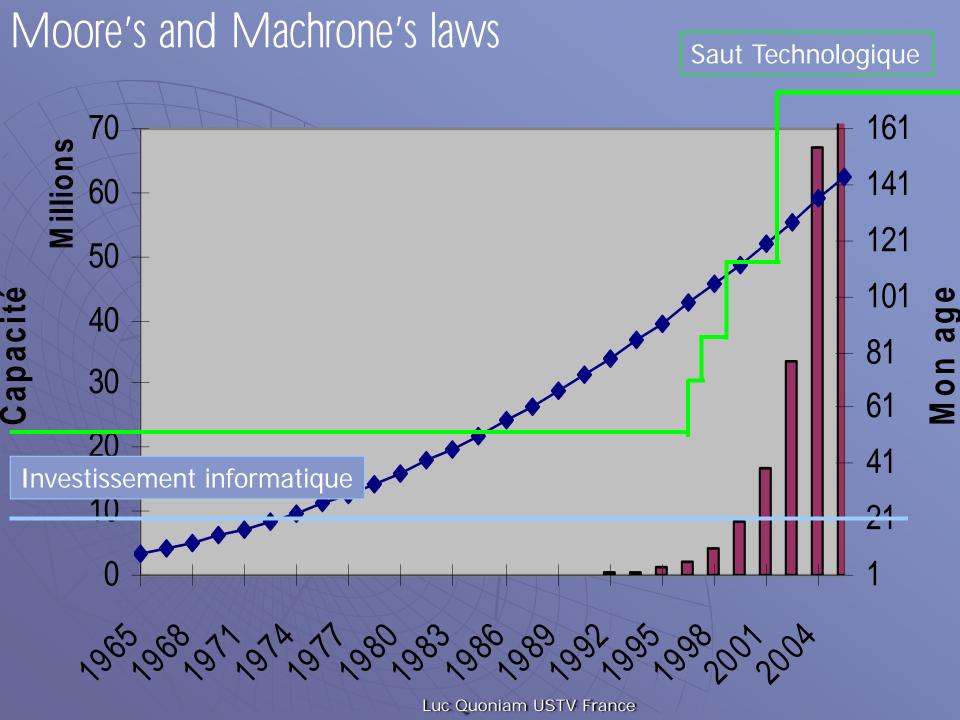
### In all the fields...

- computing power
  - ◆10GigaHz microprocessors
- storage capacities
  - → main memories (RAM)
  - ◆ Hard disks or CDROM
- flows in optical fibres and "routers"
  - ◆flow of information
- → consequence: the fantastic internet explosion

the "dog's years"

« A real year contains seven of them »





# Compacting the time

- ◆ 1945 Vannevar Bush : electromechanical hypertext model
- ◆ 1960 Ted Nelson : hypertext
- 1971 L. Pouzin, INRIA (Fr):
  - « datagram » : packet transmission
  - Ray Tomlinson: e-mail
- ◆ 1990 Tim Berners-Lee (CERN)
  - World Wide Web (WWW) et (HTML)
- ♦ 1994-1995 : business use of the internet
  - At first: e-commerce et gateways (Yahoo!, Amazon.com,...)
- ◆ 2000 American project: new generation Internet

Internet: major geopolitical strategic stake of which it is advisable to preserve the leadership (not soldier)

Luc Quoniam USTV France

### Contents or container? comparable evolution with that of the writing

◆ The invention of the alphabet (a=A; b-a=ba) was only one "convention" which allowed to:

```
capitalize knowledge (science and culture)
exchange the ideas in space (between continents) and in time (between generations)
develop the trade
lay down legal provisions, contracts, "scriptural" currency
upset the social and economic organization deeply...
```

- ◆ It is impossible to reduce the invention of the writing
  - with the advertising display and the mail order trading
- ♦ So
  - Why reduce E-business to the electronic trade?
  - Why compare Internet to the "contents" which it gives access

Standard for transaction allowing the emergence of a new organization of the economy and society

### Science fiction ??...

- ◆ This "phenomenon" does not reach only Internet.
- ◆ Bionics: graft of memory "silica" in the human brain (2030).
  When will one graft a "full" memory silica?
- Digital cave of the USP (to become family)
- Primary school without professors (Belgium)
- ◆ The first long distance "Maitrise" in France on electronic medium (1997)
- ◆ Certificate of European level of knowledge (electronic)

# Paradigms change

The richest companies are those of the immaterial one