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SCIENCE  
FOUNDATION

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YEAR  
2015

BUDGET  
REQUEST



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# CISE Mission



## *Exploring the frontiers of computing*

- Promote progress of computer and information science and engineering research and education, and advance the development and use of cyberinfrastructure.
- Promote understanding of the principles and uses of advanced computer, communications, and information systems in support of societal priorities.
- Contribute to universal, transparent and affordable participation in a knowledge-based society.

*These frontiers have interfaces with all the sciences, engineering, education and humanities and a strong emphasis on innovation for society.*





# Pervasive Impact

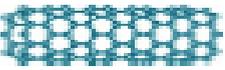
- We are at the center of an ongoing societal transformation and will be for decades to come.
- Advances in computing, communication and information technologies:
  - Underpin our **economic prosperity and national security**;
  - Serve as a key driver of **U.S. competitiveness** and sustainable **economic growth** in an increasingly global market;
  - **Accelerate the pace of discovery and innovation** in nearly all other fields of inquiry;
  - Are crucial to achieving our major **national and societal priorities**.



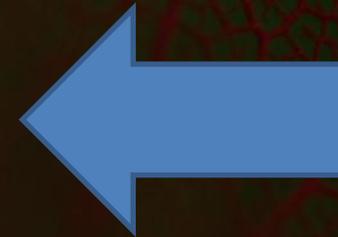
# The Future ...

Top twelve economically disruptive technologies (by 2025)

-  **Mobile Internet**
-  **Automation of knowledge work**
-  **The Internet of Things**
-  **Cloud technology**
-  **Advanced robotics**
-  **Autonomous and near-autonomous vehicles**

-  **Next-generation genomics**
-  **Energy storage**
-  **3D printing**
-  **Advanced materials**
-  **Advanced oil and gas exploration and recovery**
-  **Renewable energy**

SOURCE: McKinsey Global Institute analysis



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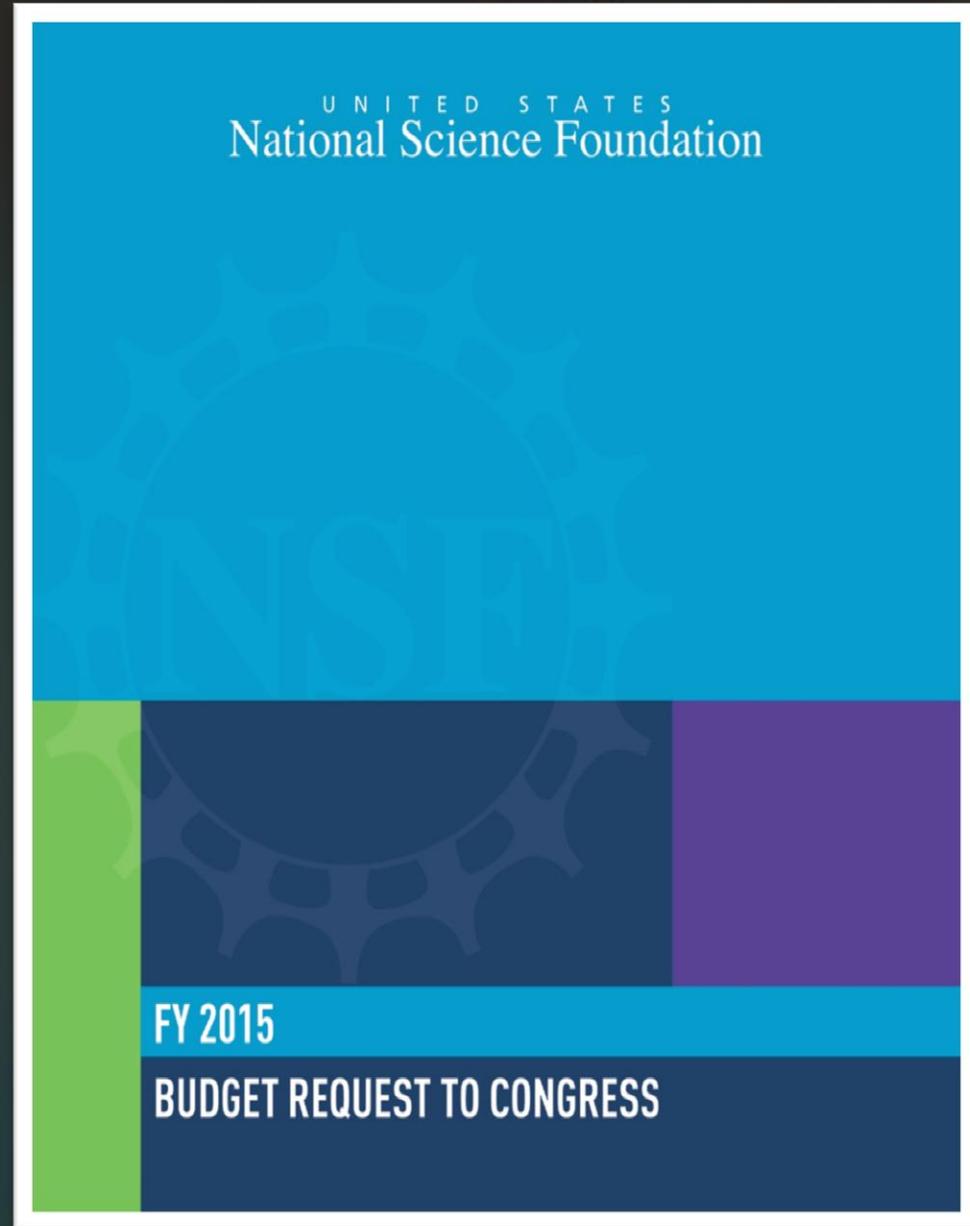



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Disruptive technologies:  
Advances that will  
transform life, business,  
and the global economy



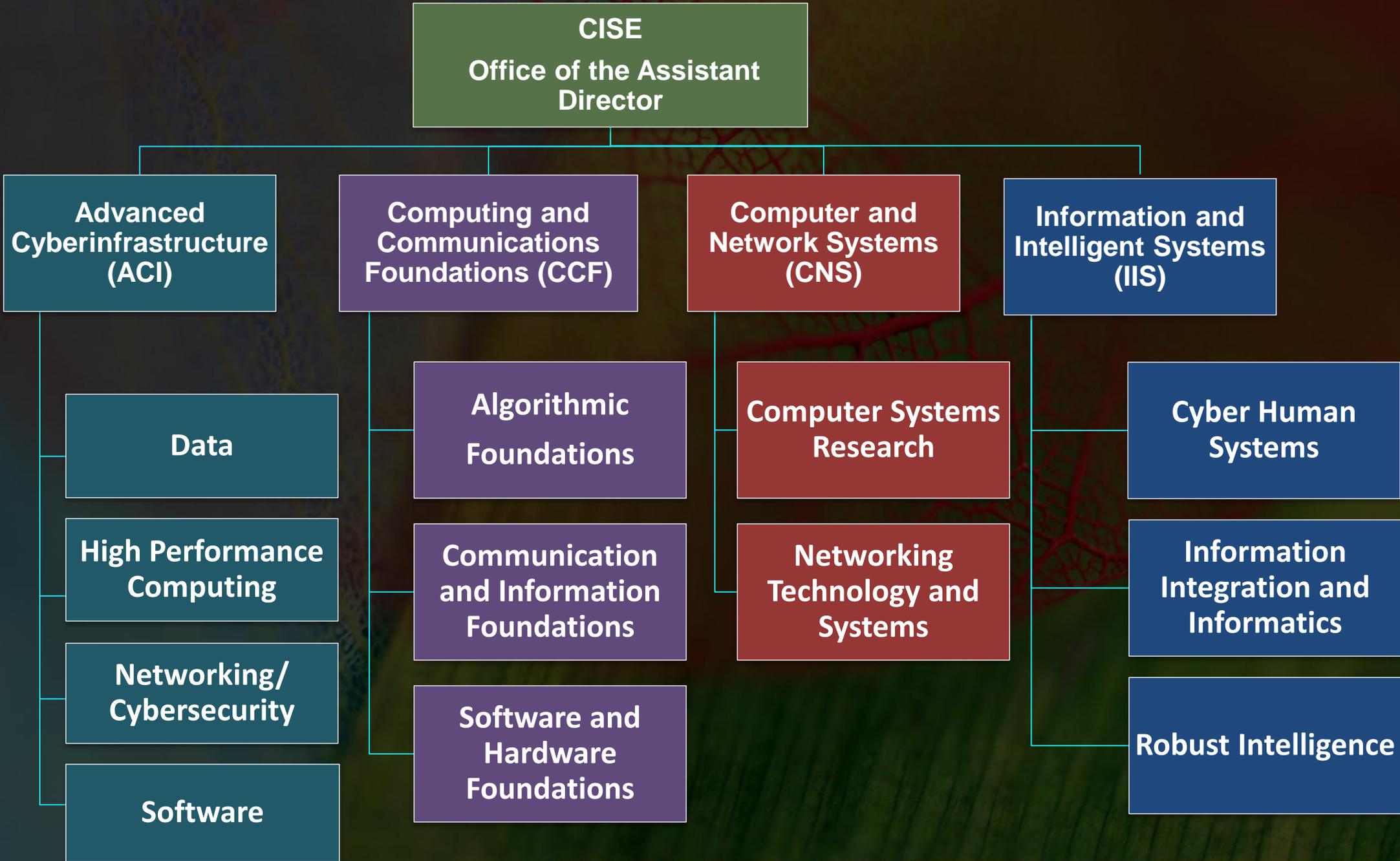
# FY 2015 Budget Request



- **NSF**
  - FY 2015 Budget Request: \$7255.00 Million
- **CISE**
  - FY 2015 Budget Request: \$893.35 Million
  - *CISE FY 2015 request is shaped by investments in core research, education, and infrastructure programs as well as critical investments in NSF cross-foundation priorities and programs.*



# CISE Divisions and Core Research Areas



# Snapshot of CISE FY 2013 Activities



	<b>CISE</b>
Research Budget	\$858M
Number of Proposals	7,821
Number of Awards	1,616
Success Rate	~21%
Average Annualized Award	\$204K
Number of Panels Held	344
Number of People Supported	17,227



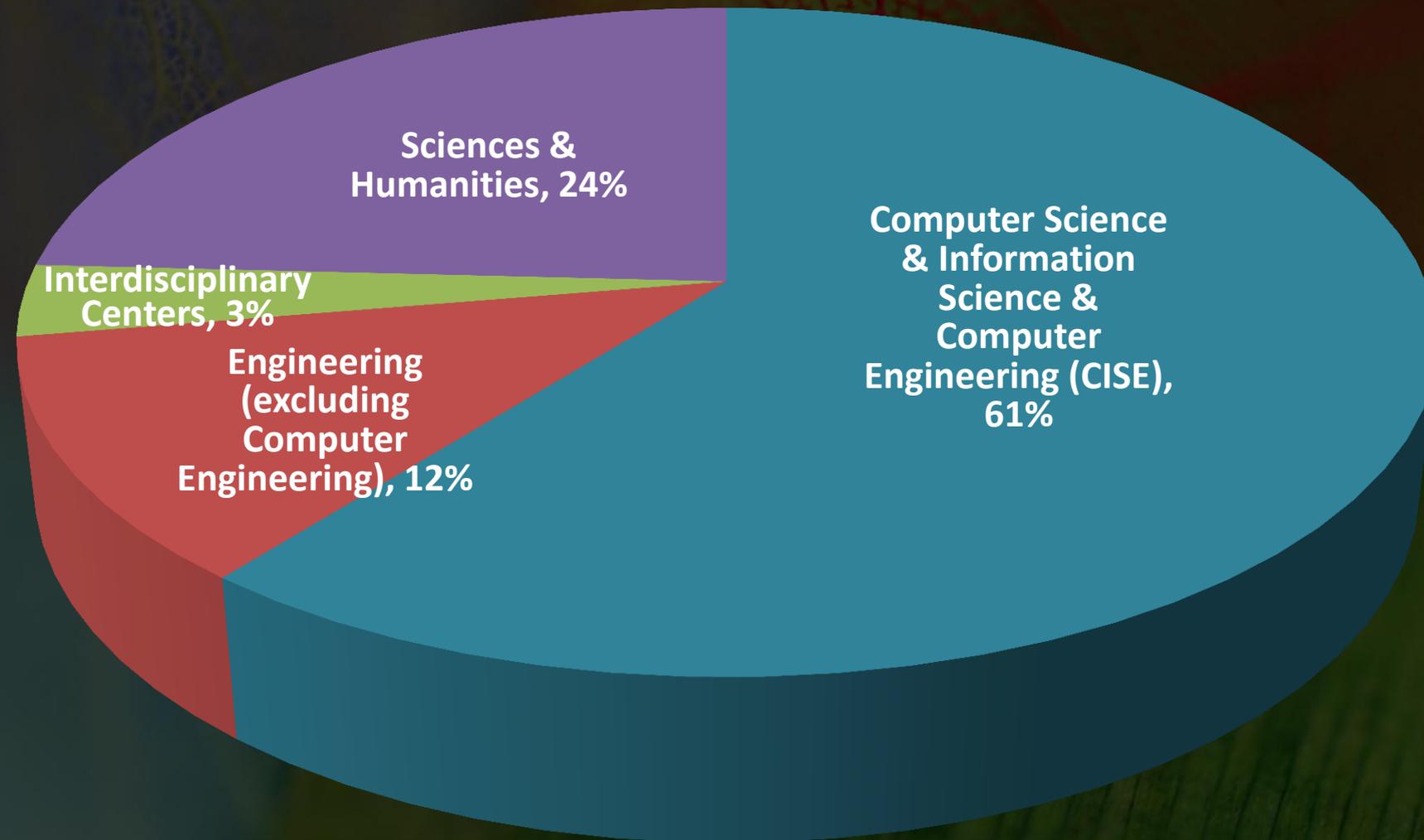
	<b>CISE</b>
Senior Researchers	6,652
Other Professionals	1,186
Postdoctoral Associates	475
Graduate Students	6,609
Undergraduate Students	2,305



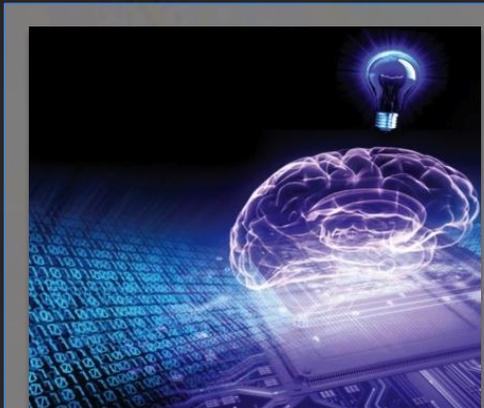


# Who is the CISE Community?

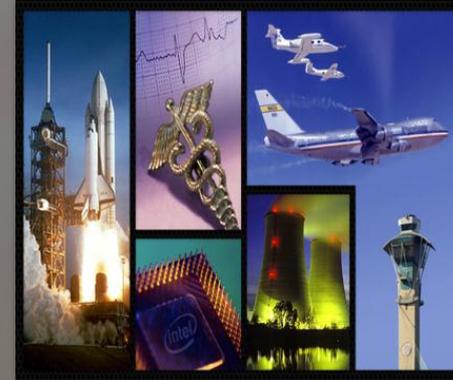
PI and Co-PI Departments for FY 2013 Awards  
Funded by CISE



# Emerging Frontiers



Data Explosion



Smart Systems: Sensing, Analysis and Decision



Expanding the Limits of Computation



Secure Cyberspace



Universal Connectivity



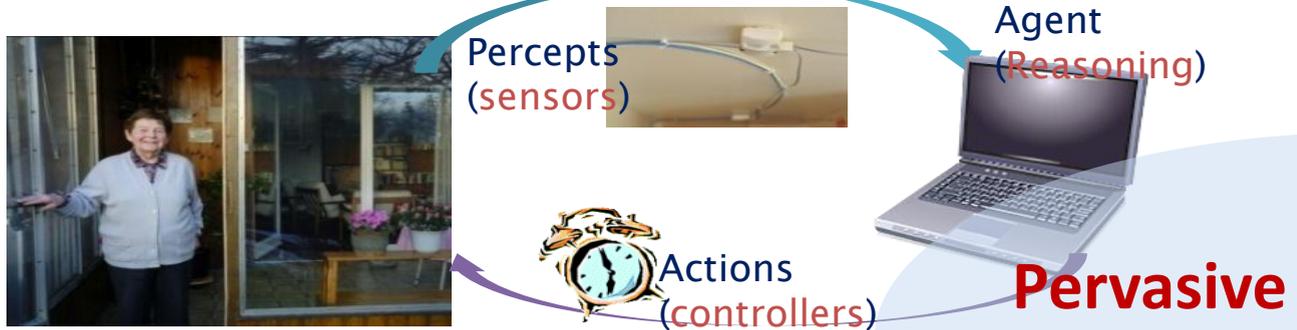
Augmenting Human Capabilities



# Smart Systems: Sensing, Reasoning, and Decision



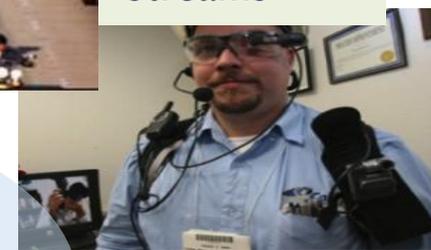
## Environment Sensing



## Emergency Response



Situation Awareness: Humans as sensors feed multi-modal data streams

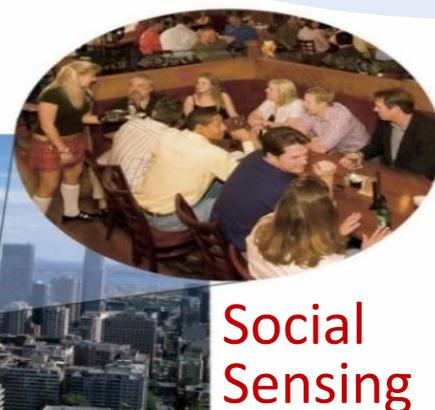


## Computing

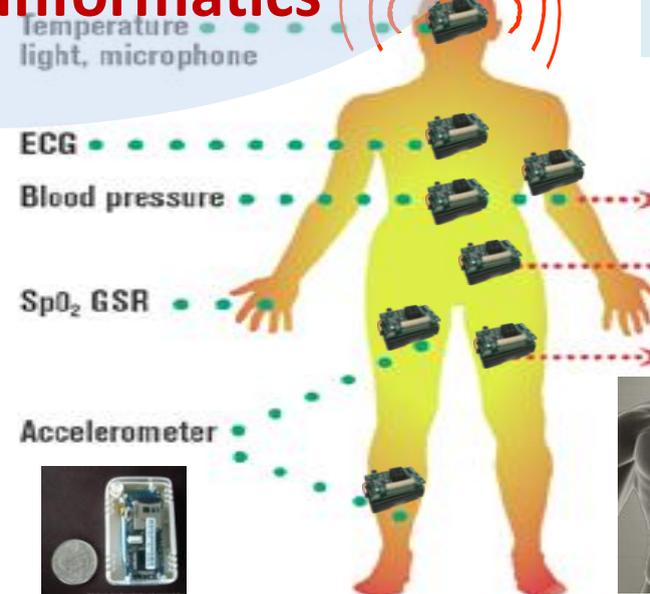
## People-Centric Sensing



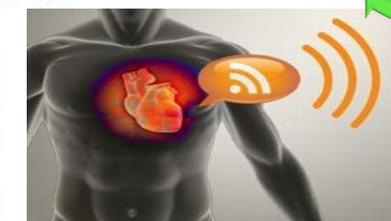
## Social



## Informatics



## Smart Health Care



# Research to Enable Smart Systems



## 250+ total awards since 2009:

- \$200M+ total investment
- 350+ PIs and Co-PIs
- 35 states

## FY 13 commitment:

- 60 new awards (35 projects)
- \$30M+ investment
- 2 Frontiers in CPS

## Since launch in FY2012:

- \$85.5M+ interagency total investment
- \$60M+ NSF total investment
- 70+ awards

## NSF FY 13 commitment:

- ~\$30M contributing to 41 awards (30 projects)
- 16 states



Application  
sectors



Transportation



Energy and Industrial  
Automation



Health and Medical  
Care



Critical Infrastructure

# Smart and Connected Health



*Transforming healthcare knowledge, delivery, and quality of life through IT*

- Partnership with NIH launched in FY 2013
- Cross-Directorate Program: CISE, ENG, SBE
- Fundamental technical and scientific issues to support the transformation of healthcare from reactive and hospital-centered to preventive, proactive, evidence-based, person-centered and focused on wellbeing rather than disease.
- Must relate to a key health problem and must make a fundamental contribution to ENG, CISE, or SBE domains.

**Digital Health  
Information  
Infrastructure**

*Informatics and  
Infrastructure*

**Data to Knowledge to  
Decision**

*Reasoning under  
uncertainty*

**Empowered Individuals**

*Energized, enabled,  
educated*

**Sensors, Devices, and  
Robotics**

*Sensor-based actuation*

# Seizing the Big Data Revolution



- **Data Tsunami: Explosive Growth in Size, Complexity, and Data Rates**
  - Enabled by experimental methods, observational studies, scientific instruments, simulations, email, videos, images, click streams, Internet transactions ... and sensors everywhere!
- **The Age of Data: From Data to Knowledge to Action**
  - Widespread use of data to create actionable information leads to timely and more informed decisions and actions.

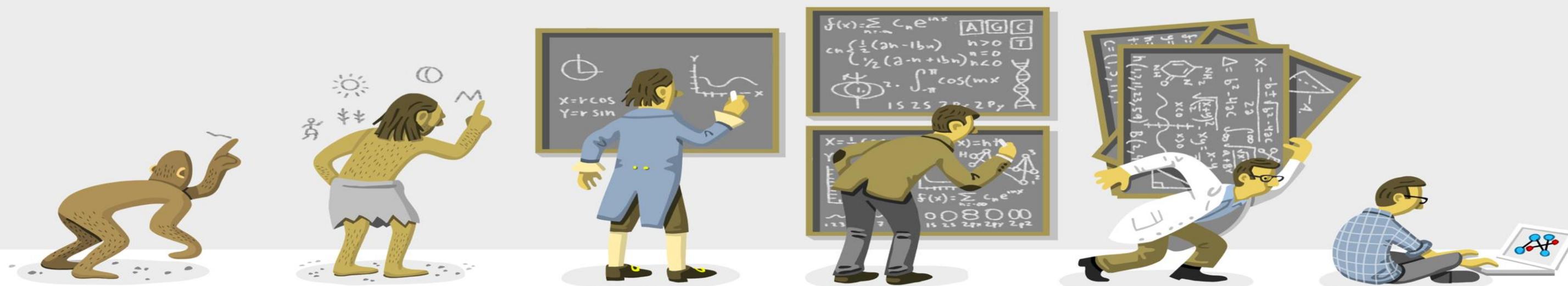
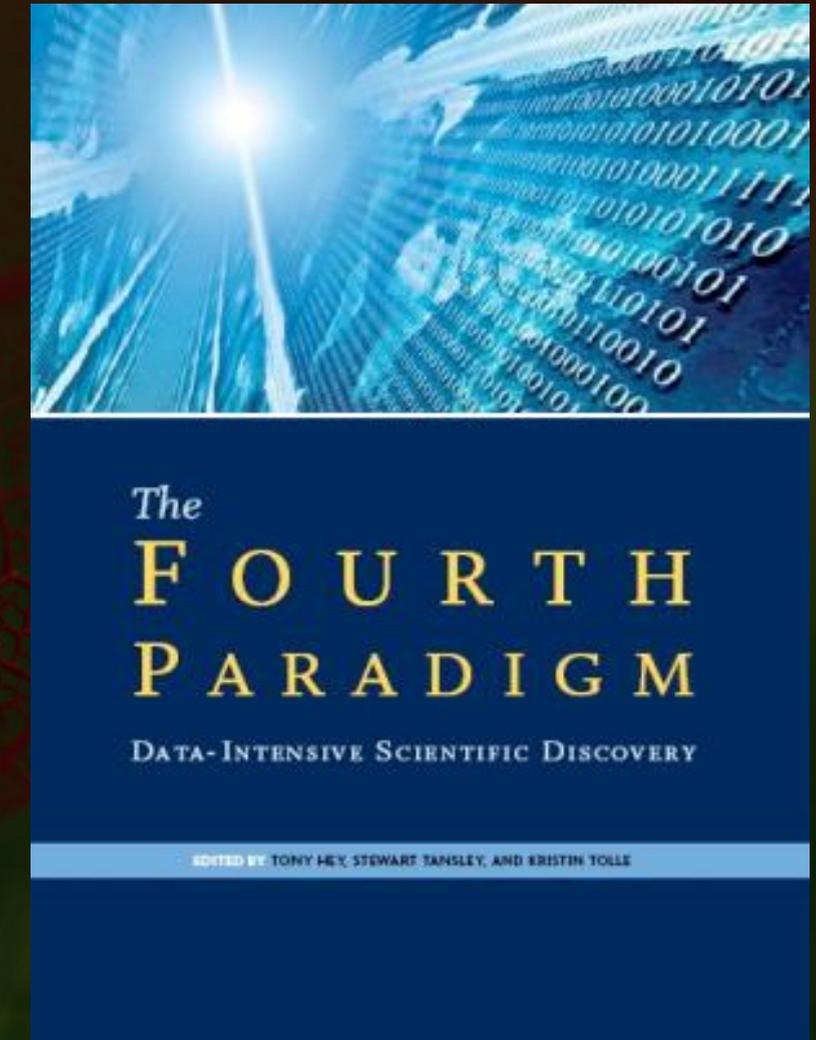
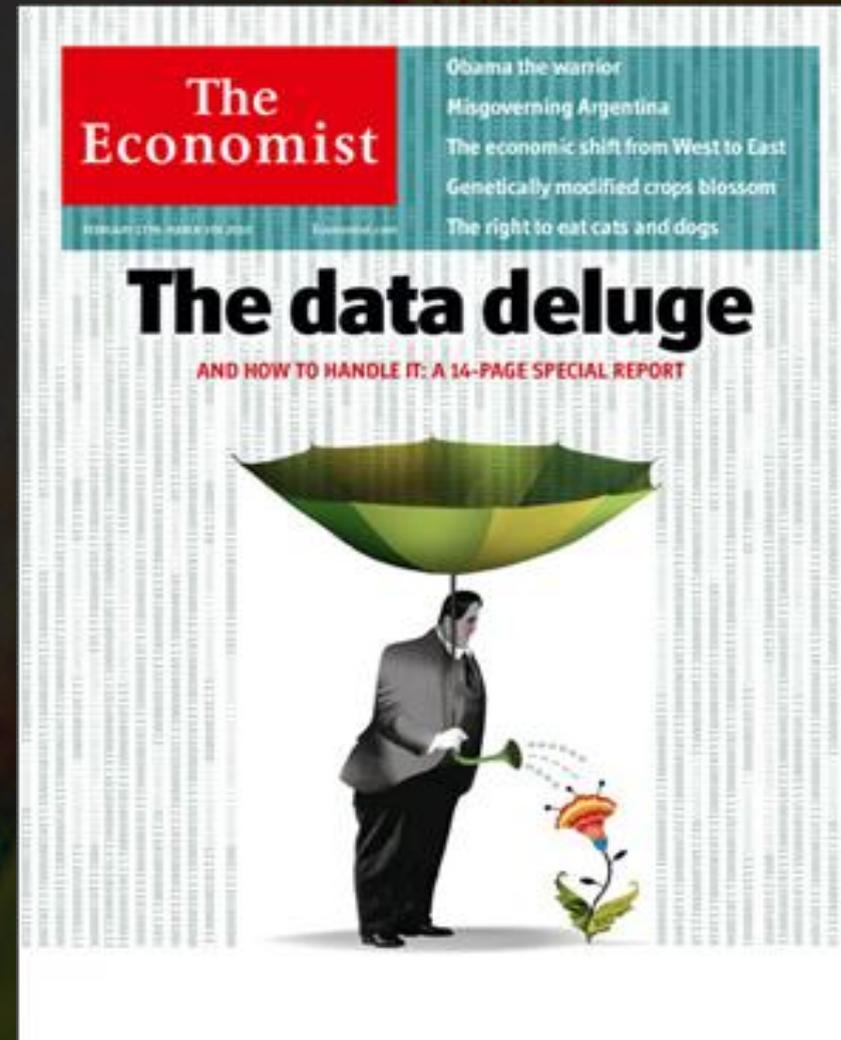


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# Paradigm Shift: from Hypothesis-driven to Data-driven Discovery



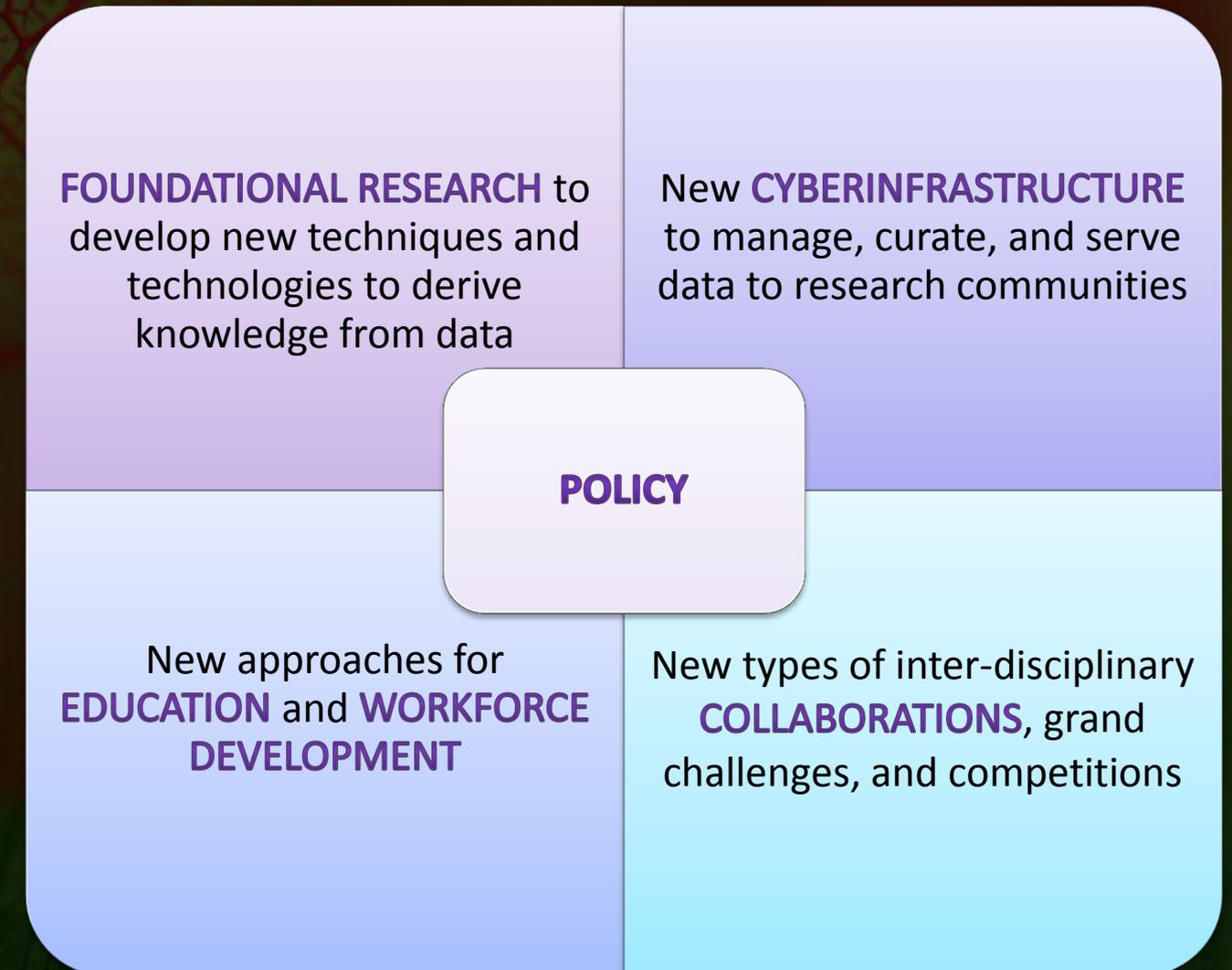
Data are motivating a profound transformation in the culture and conduct of scientific research.



# Federal Big Data R&D Initiative



- **Cross-agency “Big Data” Senior Steering Group** – chartered in spring 2011 by OSTP:
  - Co-chaired by NSF and NIH
  - Significant research community input
- **Launched** by OSTP on March 29, 2012
  - **Major Announcements:** NSF, NIH, USGS, DoD, DARPA, DOE
- **Data to Knowledge to Action** event hosted by OSTP November 12, 2013
  - Encouraging **public-private partnerships** across the country



# Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC)

*Securing our Nation's cyberspace*

- Aligns with the national *Trustworthy Cyberspace: Strategic Plan for the Federal Cybersecurity Research and Development Program* (released December 2011).
- SaTC cross-directorate program (NSF 13-578): Aims to support fundamental scientific advances and technologies to protect cyberspace.
- Scholarship for Service: Aims to increase the number of cybersecurity professionals in the U.S.
- Focus on Privacy: Dear Colleague Letter for new collaborations between Computer and Social Scientists, including a focus on privacy.

CISE, EHR, ENG, MPS, and SBE



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Solicitation NSF 13-578

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  - Trustworthy Computing Systems,
  - Social, Behavioral and Economic Sciences, and
  - Cybersecurity Education.
- *Transition to Practice* option.
- *Frontier* awards support center-scale activities.



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# Secure and Trustworthy Cyberspace (SaTC)

Solicitation NSF 13-578

- **650 Active Awards in cyber security**
- **\$65M invested in FY13**
- **110 new SaTC projects**
- **5 frontiers**
- **33 states**
- **\$45M in Scholarship for Service**

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# Cyberinfrastructure Framework for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Science, Engineering, and Education (CIF21)



*Accelerating the progress of scientific discovery and innovation*

- CISE focus in CIF21 includes:
  - **BigData** – Developing core scientific and technological means of managing, analyzing, visualizing and extracting useful information from large, diverse, distributed and heterogeneous data sets;
  - **DIBBS** - Building data infrastructure building blocks through pilots and early implementations of robust and shared data-centric cyberinfrastructure for scientific communities;
  - **CDS&E** - Building and developing new computational and data-enabled science and engineering research communities;
  - **SI<sup>2</sup>** - Advancing new computational infrastructure, and catalyzing new paradigms and practices in the development and use of software that is robust, reliable, usable, and sustainable; and
  - **Community Building Partnerships** - EarthCube, Building Community and Capacity (BCC), and DataWay.

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# Cognitive Science and Neuroscience

*Improve understanding of the brain*



- White House BRAIN Initiative launched in April 2013 (NSF, NIH, DARPA).
- Addresses critical challenge of research integration across multiple scales ranging from molecular to behavioral levels with the ultimate goal of understanding the brain.
- Builds on ongoing NSF investments (e.g., Collaborative Research in Computational Neuroscience – CRCNS- in collaboration with NIH, Germany, France, and Israel; Robust Intelligence Core Research).
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- **Multiscale & Multimodal Modeling** to relate dynamic brain activity to behavior
- **Comparative Analyses Across Species** to identify conserved functional circuitry: take advantage of Biodiversity
- **Innovative Technologies** to understand brain function and treat brain disorders
- **Cyber Tools & Standards** for data acquisition, analysis and integration
- **Quantitative & Predictive Theories** of brain function

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# Cyberlearning and Future Learning Technologies



*Improving learning by integrating emerging technologies with knowledge from research about how people learn*

- Solicitation NSF 14-526
- Research Thrusts:
  - Innovation
    - Identifying new means of using technology for fostering and assessing learning;
  - Advancing understanding of how people learn in technology-rich learning environments
    - Enhancing understanding of how people learn and how to better foster and assess learning; and
  - Promoting broad use and transferability of genres
    - Extracting lessons from experiences with these technologies that can inform design and use.



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# Science, Engineering and Education for Sustainability (SEES)



*Advancing interdisciplinary science to help society achieve sustainability*

## CISE focus:

- **CyberSEES program** to increase understanding of sustainability via new advances in computing and to enable new sustainable approaches to computing.
- **Hazard SEES program** to improve the understanding of hazards, mitigate their effects, and to better prepare for, respond to, and recover from disasters.





# NSF Research Traineeship (NRT)

*Preparing professionals in emerging STEM fields vital to the nation*

Priority research theme: Data-enabled science and engineering

- **Purpose:** create and promote new, innovative, effective, and scalable models for STEM graduate student training and prepare scientists and engineers of the future, particularly in emerging STEM fields vital to the nation.
- **Anticipated award amount:** up to \$3M over 5 yrs.

NSF-wide Initiative



# NSF Advanced Computational Infrastructure



- Anticipate and invest in diverse and innovative national scale shared resources, outreach and education complementing campus and other national investments.
- Leverage and invest in collaborative flexible “fabrics” dynamically connecting scientific communities with computational resources and services at all scales (campus, regional, national, international).

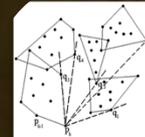


# Exploiting Parallelism and Scalability (XPS)



*Support groundbreaking research that will lead to a new era of parallel computing*

- Goal is to establish *new* collaborations combining expertise cutting across abstraction, software, hardware layers.
- Invest in foundational research advancing parallel and scalable computing, challenging validity of traditional computer hardware and software stack for heterogeneous parallel systems.
- Focus on new principles and cross-layer approaches that integrate both software and hardware through new programming languages, models, algorithms, compilers, runtime systems, and architectures.



## ***Foundational Principles***

- New models guiding parallel algorithm design on diverse platforms
- Optimization for resources (energy, bandwidth, memory hierarchy)



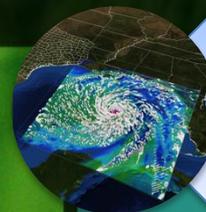
## ***Cross-layer and Cross-cutting Approaches***

- Re-thinking/re-designing the hardware and software stack
- Coordination across all layers



## ***Scalable Distributed Architectures***

- Highly scalable and parallel architectures for people and things connected everywhere
- Runtime platforms and virtualization tools



## ***Domain-specific Design***

- Exploiting domain knowledge to improve programmability and performance



# ACI Network Infrastructure Programs

- Campus Cyberinfrastructure –Infrastructure, Innovation and Engineering (CC\*IIE)
  - Invests in improvements and re-engineering at the campus level to support a range of data transfers supporting computational science and computer networks and systems research and to achieve higher levels of performance, reliability, and predictability for science applications and distributed research projects.
- International Research Network Connections (IRNC)
  - Continues NSF's ~20 year commitment to directly support international network connectivity dedicated to research and education.
  - Mid-way through 5-year awards supporting multi-gig connectivity to Europe, Asia, Americas, Australia – see [www.irnclinks.net](http://www.irnclinks.net) for more info.



# Expeditions in Computing



Exploring scientific frontiers that promise transformative innovations in computing

16 awards made so far (each award is for 5 years, \$2M/year)

## Beyond Moore's Law

- *Molecular Programming Architectures, Abstractions, Algorithms and Applications*, Caltech, Harvard, UC, San Francisco, UW, 2013
- *Variability-aware Software for Efficient Computing with Nanoscale Devices*, UCSD, UCLA, UIUC, Stanford, Michigan, 2010
- *Customizable Domain-Specific Computing*, UCLA, UCSB, Rice, Ohio State, 2009
- *The Molecular Programming Project*, CalTech, U Washington, 2008

## Sustainability & Environment

- *Understanding Climate Change: A Data Driven Approach*, Minnesota, Northwestern, NC State, NC A&T State, 2010
- *Computational Sustainability: Computational Methods for a Sustainable Environment, Economy, and Society*, Cornell, Oregon State, Bowdoin, 2008

## Wireless & Internet

- *Open Programmable Mobile Internet 2020*, Stanford, 2008

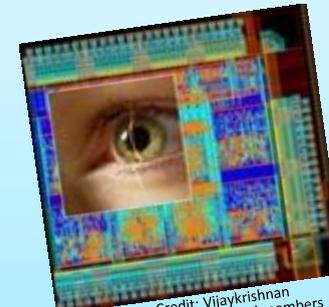


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## Healthcare & Wellbeing

- *Visual Cortex on Silicon*, Penn State, USC, Stanford, York College, UCSD, SCLA, Pitt, MIT, 2013
- *Socially Assistive Robots*, Yale, USC, MIT, Stanford, Willow Garage, 2011
- *Computational Behavioral Science: Modeling, Analysis, and Visualization of Social and Communicative Behavior*, Georgia Tech, MIT, Boston U, UIUC, USC, Carnegie Mellon, 2010

## Robotics

- *An Expedition in Computing for Compiling Printable Programmable Machines*, MIT, U Penn, Harvard, 2011
- *RoboBees: A Convergence of Body, Brain and Colony*, Harvard, Northeastern, 2009



Image Credit: Harvard University

## Limits of Computation

- *Understanding, Coping with, and Benefiting from Intractability*, Princeton, Rutgers, NYU, Institute for Advanced Study, 2008



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## Formal Modeling and Verification

- *Expeditions in Computer Augmented Program Engineering*, U Penn, UC Berkeley, UMD, Rice, Cornell, U of Michigan, U of Illinois-UC, UCLA, MIT, 2011
- *Next-Generation Model Checking and Abstract Interpretation with a Focus on Embedded Control and Systems Biology*, Carnegie Mellon, Stony Brook, NYU, UMD, Pitt, Lehman College, JPL, 2009

## Big Data

- *Algorithms, Machines, and People*, UC Berkeley, UC San Francisco, 2011
- *(Understanding Climate Change: A Data Driven Approach*, Minnesota, Northwestern, NC State, NC A&T State, 2010)



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# CISE's Commitment to Research and Education



- Our investments in **research, education, and infrastructure** have returned exceptional dividends to our Nation.
- A thriving basic research community is the foundation for long-term **discovery and innovation, economic prosperity, and national security.**
- Growing investment in **cyberinfrastructure** is crucial to accelerating the pace of scientific discovery and engineering innovation across all disciplines.
- As a field of inquiry, computer, communication and information science and engineering has a **rich intellectual agenda** – highly creative, highly interactive, with enormous possibilities for changing the world!





*Thanks!*

