

CCC Board Meeting: CISE Overview

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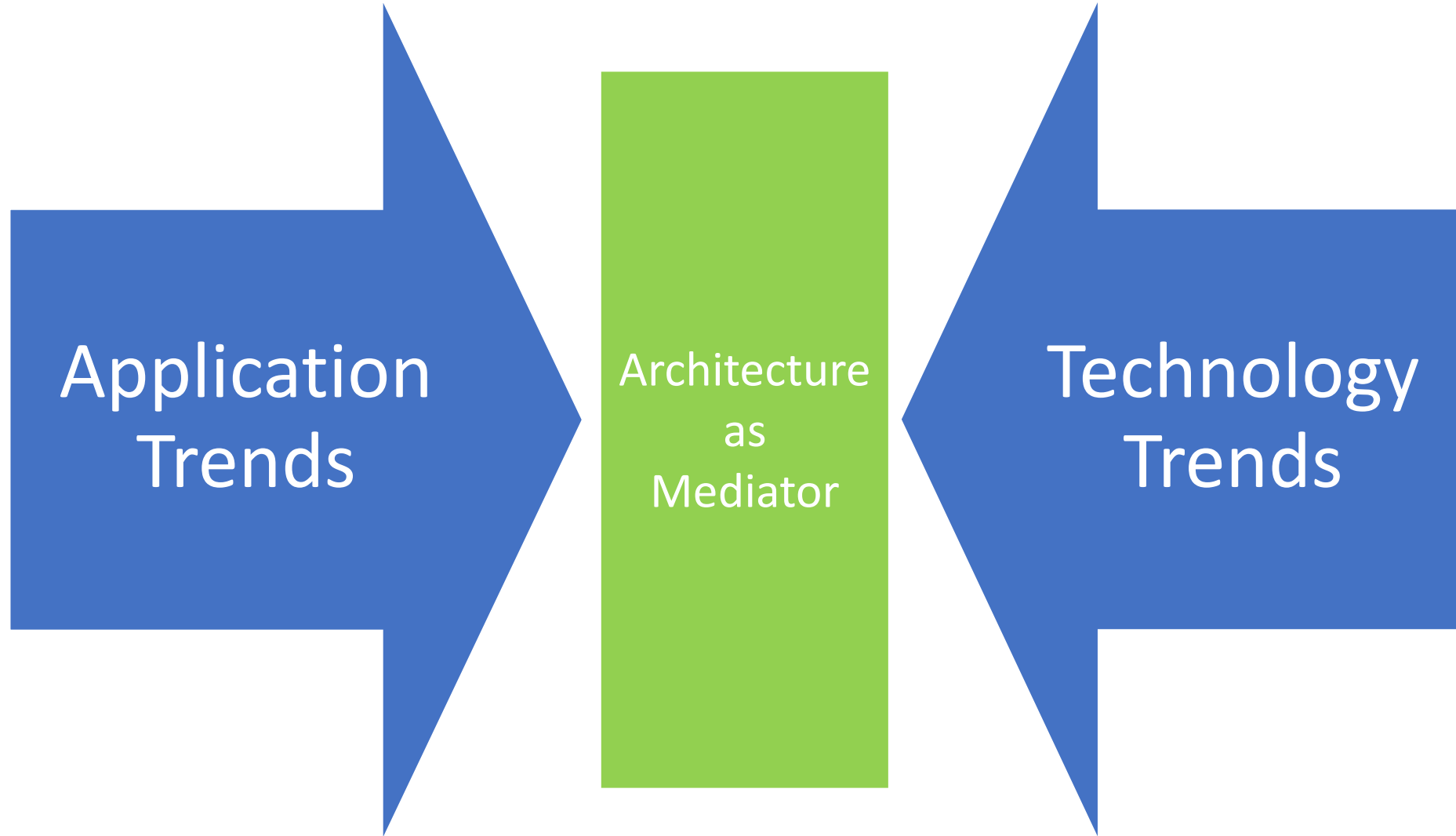
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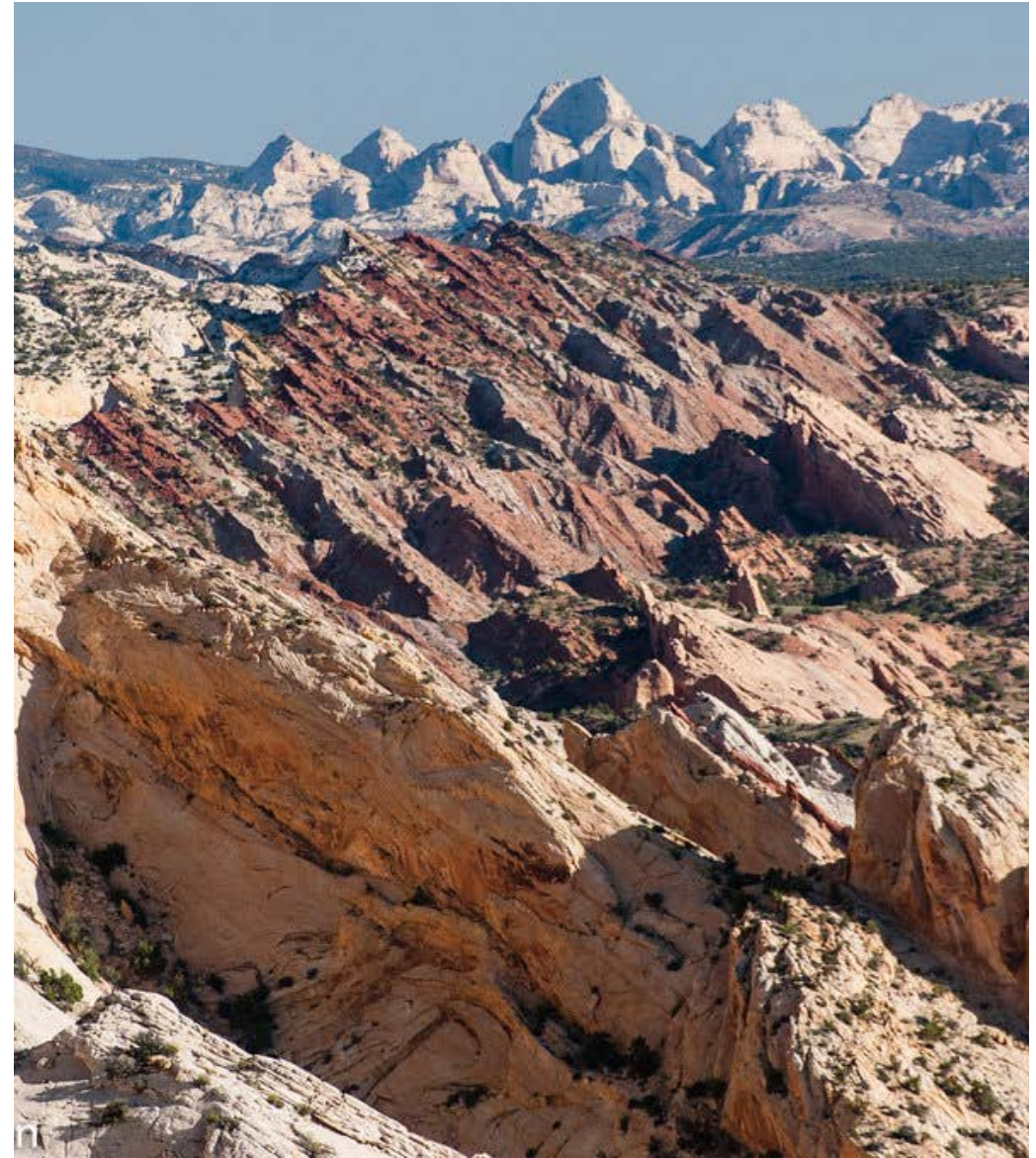
- https://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/coronavirus/
- DCL on RAPIDs for research + computing resources
- Proposal deadline extensions
- PI and budget guidance

A few years ago, Me describing Architecture...



Computing Research in a Post-Moore World: Seismic Shift...

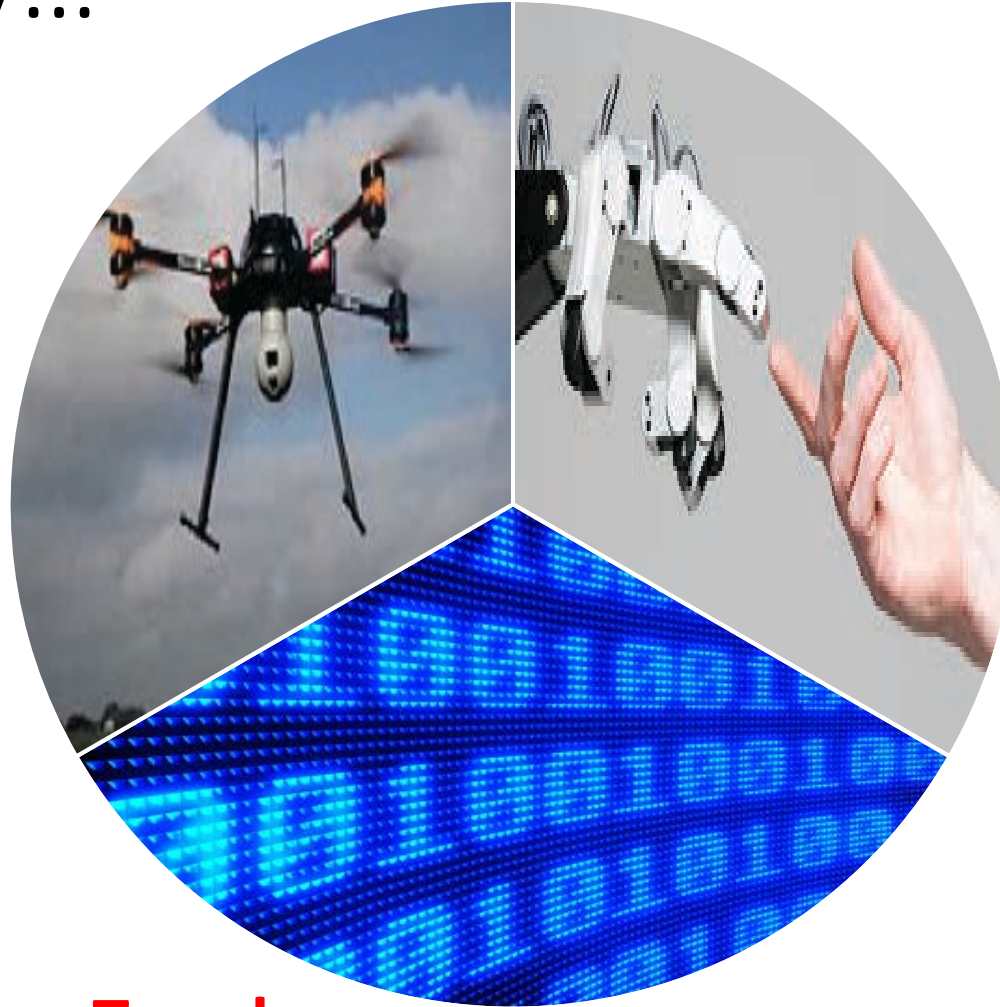
- **Context**: Technology and Application Trends are reshaping computing
- **Challenge**: Across many different topic areas, a fundamental need to design new interface layers & design practices.
- **Opportunity**: Could introduce sweeping change across many CISE research topics.
- Hardware 2.0 and beyond...
- Software 2.0 and beyond...
- Curriculum 2.0 and beyond...



Our field, today...

Interfacing to other Computers & the Environment:

- Distributed systems, Cyberphysical Systems, Networking, Wireless, ...



Interfacing to humans and society

- Sociotechnical, HCI, Fairness, Privacy, Usability...

Influenced by Technology Trends:

- Emerging computing, communication, and interface technologies fundamentally reshaping the hardware and software systems built from them.

Economy

Science



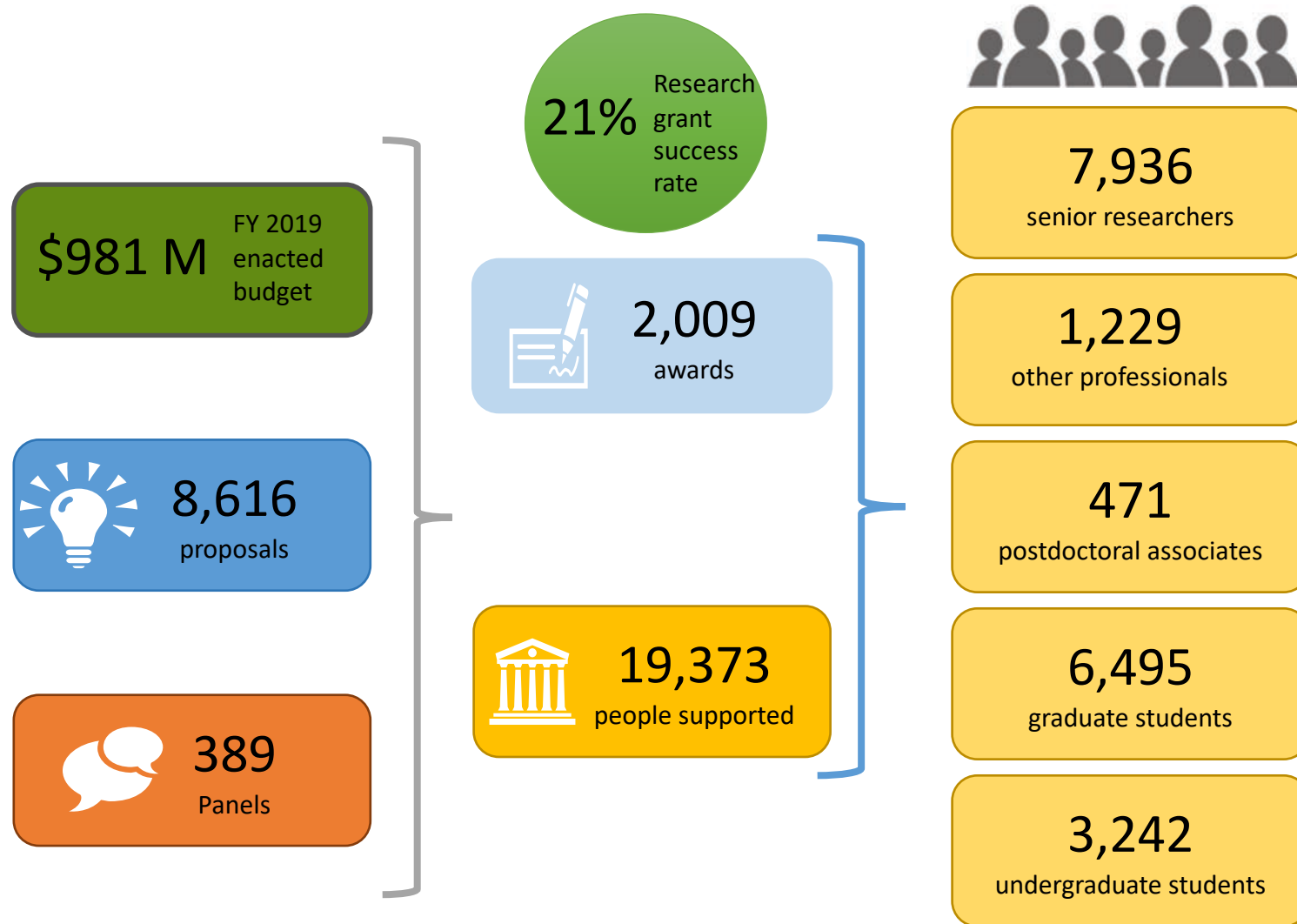
Democracy

Humanity

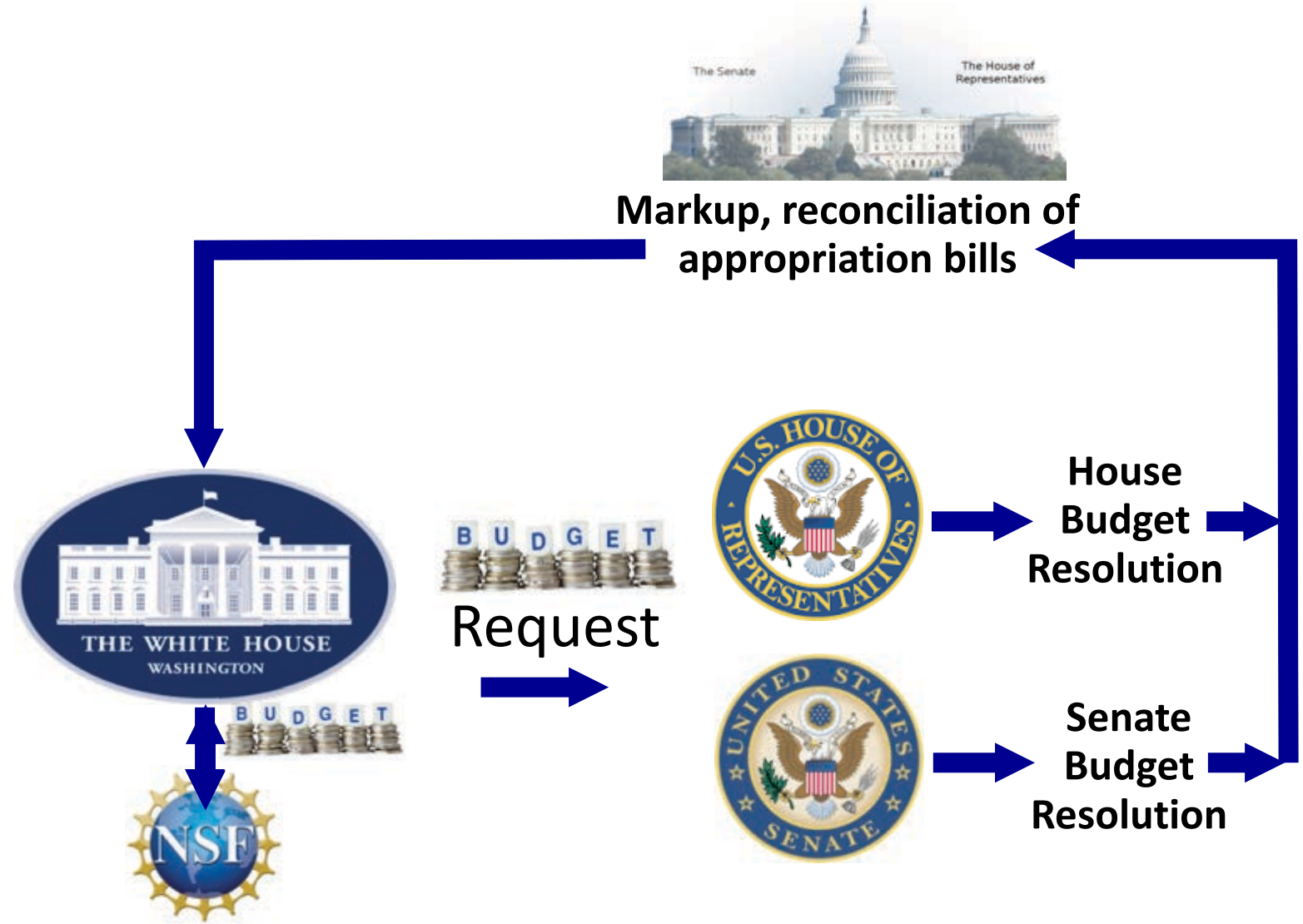
Today...

- NSF CISE and Budget Updates
- Program and Research Highlights
- Q&A

CISE by the numbers, FY 2019



Budget process: reminder



Budget process: FY 2020

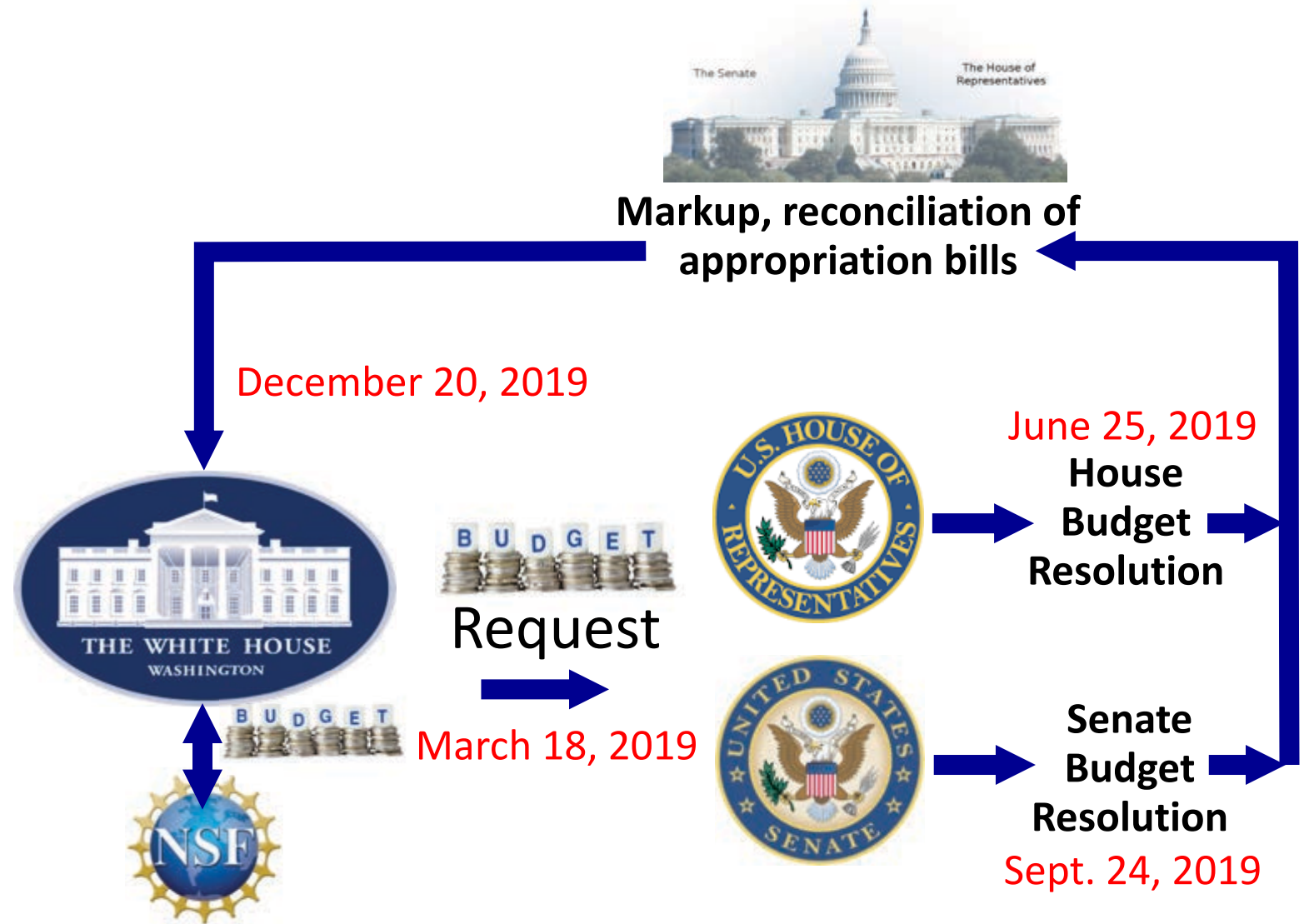
FY 2020 Estimate:

- NSF: \$8.28B
(+2.5% over FY 2019 CP)
- CISE: TBD

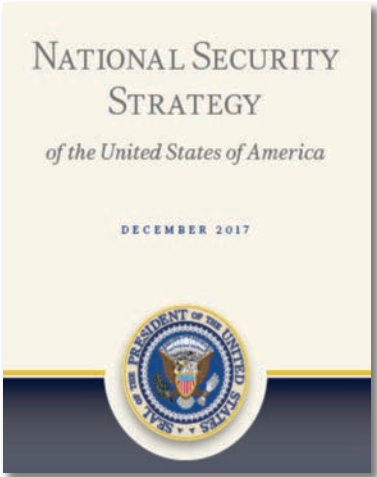
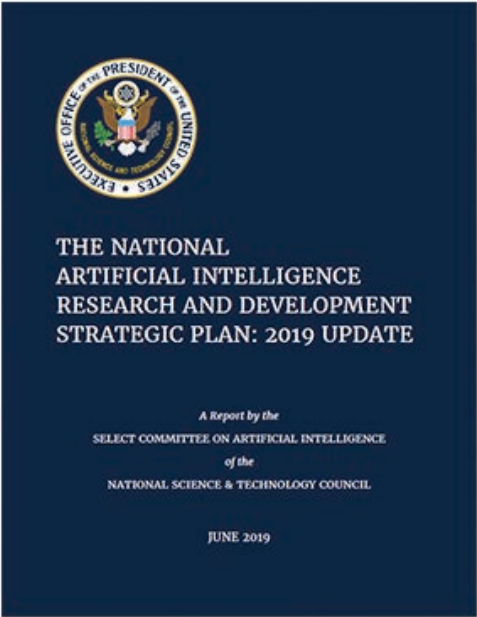
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FY 2020 Request:

- NSF: \$7.07B
- CISE: \$883.04M



CISE Programs Align with Administration, Congressional Priorities



National Security Strategy

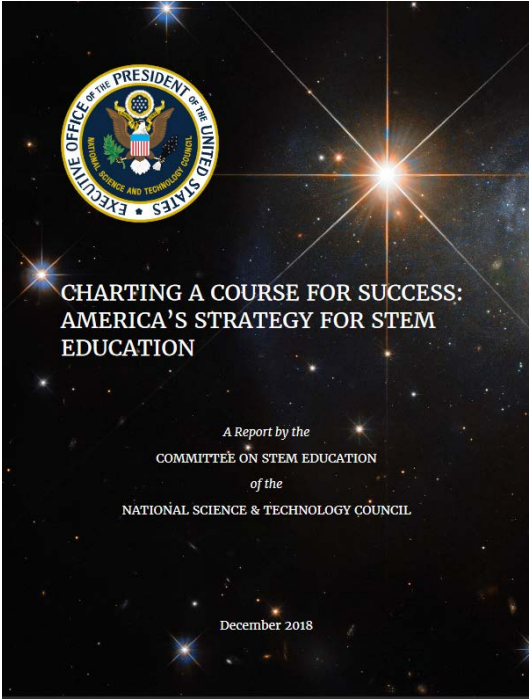


National Defense Strategy

AI Executive Order



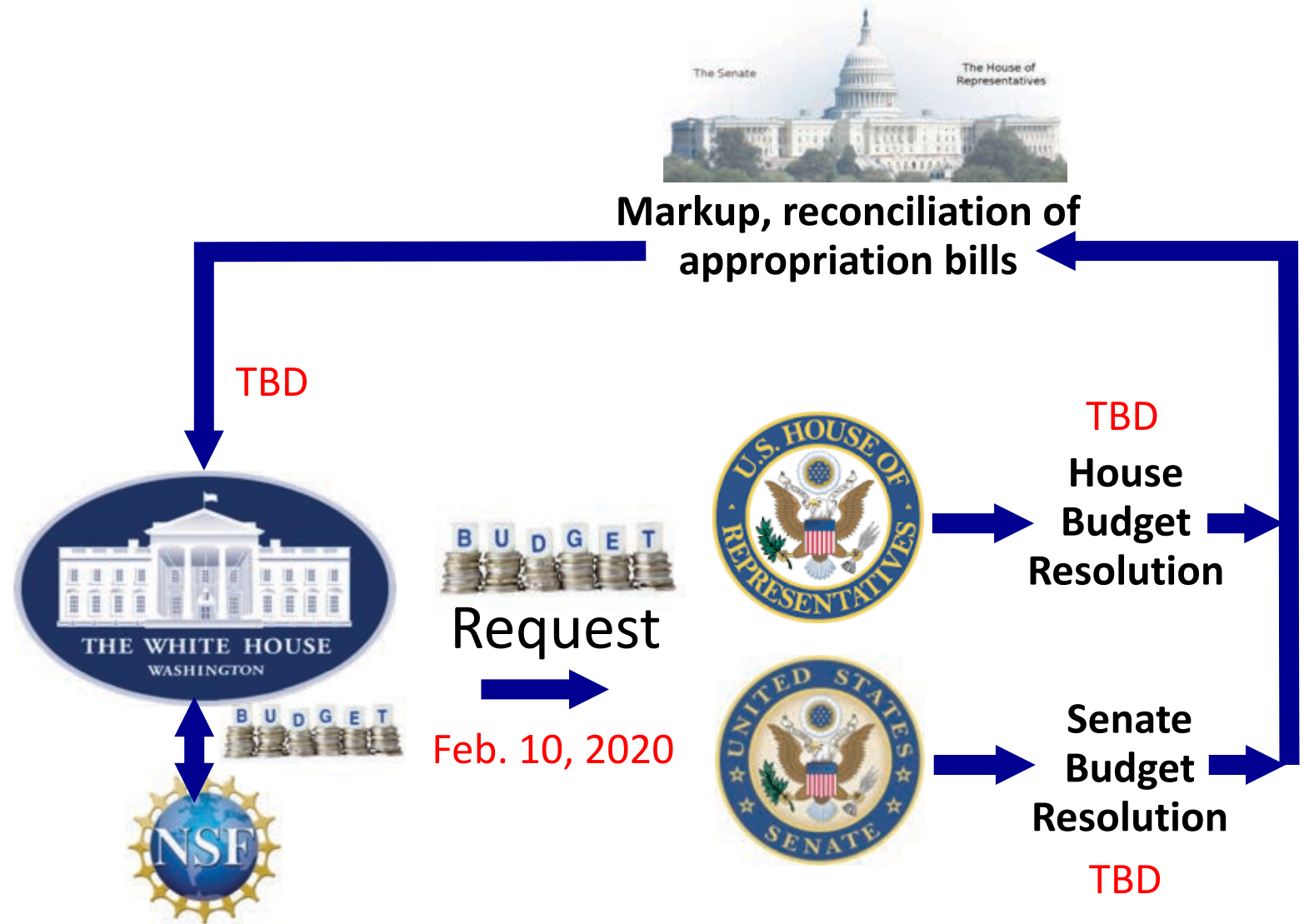
National Quantum Initiative Act



Budget process: FY 2021

FY 2021 Request (over FY 2019 Actuals):

- NSF: \$7.74B (-5.0%)
- R&RA: \$6.21B (-5.6%)
- CISE: \$1.06B (+7.8%)



FY 2021 request, detailed

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION FY 2021 BUDGET REQUEST TO CONGRESS

(Dollars in Millions)

NSF R&RA Budgets	FY 2019 Actual	FY 2020 Enacted	FY 2021 Request	FY 2021 Request change over:	
				FY 2019 Actual	
				Amount	Percent
BIO	\$783.75	-	\$704.95	-\$78.80	-10.1%
CISE	985.12	-	1,062.40	77.28	7.8%
ENG	991.15	-	909.78	-81.37	-8.2%
GEO	969.88	-	836.61	-133.27	-13.7%
MPS	1,490.61	-	1,448.32	-42.29	-2.8%
SBE	271.17	-	246.84	-24.33	-9.0%
OISE	49.00	-	44.01	-4.99	-10.2%
OPP	488.68	-	419.78	-68.90	-14.1%
IA	547.31	-	538.73	-8.58	-1.6%
Research & Related Activities	\$6,578.14	\$6,737.20	\$6,213.02	-\$365.12	-5.6%
Education & Human Resources	\$934.53	\$940.00	\$930.93	-\$3.60	-0.4%

CISE has long addressed national priorities



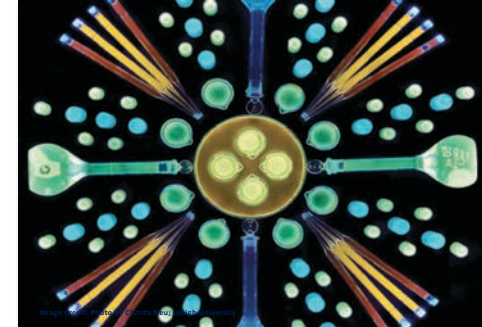
AI, Big Data, & Robotics



Cybersecurity



Manufacturing & Microelectronics



Quantum Information Sciences



Future Computing Systems



Smart Communities



Computer Science Education



Advanced Wireless Research

Artificial Intelligence (AI)

Cross-directorate programs:

- Collaborative Research in Computational Neuroscience (BIO, CISE, ENG, MPS, SBE, OISE, NIH, international)
- Cyber-Physical Systems (CISE, EHR, ENG, SBE, DHS, DOT, NIH, USDA)
- NRI-2.0: Ubiquitous Collaborative Robots (CISE, EHR, ENG, SBE, AFOSR, DARPA, DOE/EM, NASA, ONR, USDA/NIFA)
- Smart & Connected Communities (CISE, EHR, ENG, SBE)
- Smart and Connected Health (CISE, ENG, SBE, NIH)

+\$402.88M in AI research in FY 2021 (over FY 2019 actuals)

Autonomy	Human-AI interaction
AI Infrastructure	
Modeling	
Machine Learning	
Massive Data Management	
Sensing / Data Acquisition	

New in FY 2019 – FY 2021:

- AI and Society (CISE, SBE, Partnership on AI) 
- Real-Time Machine Learning (CISE, ENG, DARPA) 
- CISE FEAT DCL: Fairness, Ethics, Accountability, and Transparency (NSF 19-016)
- Fairness in AI (CISE, SBE, Amazon) 
- AI Research Institutes (NSF-wide, DHS/S&T, DOT/FHWA, USDA/NIFA, VA)   

AI and the other lotF: opportunities for cross-cutting, convergent research, catalyzing new Industries

Advanced Wireless (AWR) Research

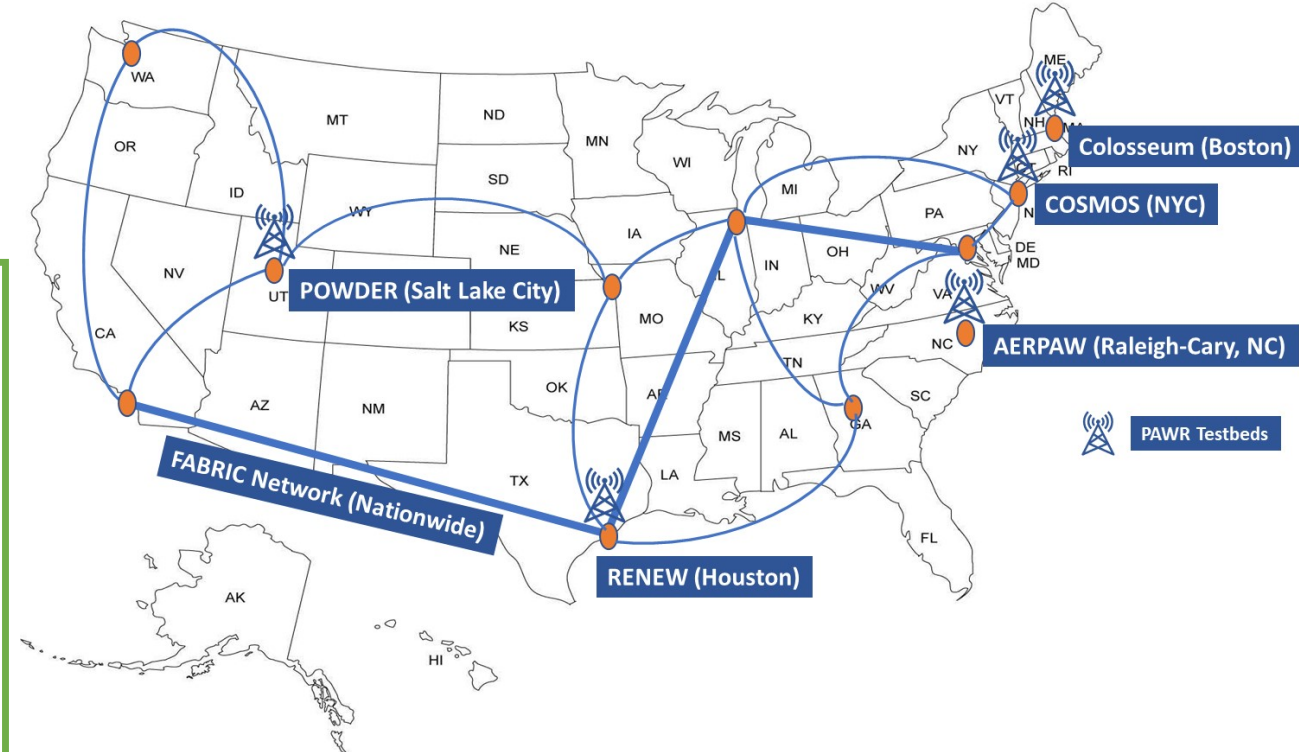
**+\$15.60M in AWR
research in FY 2021
(over FY 2019 actuals)**

■ Platforms for Advanced Wireless Research (PAWR):

Public-private partnership with 32 companies/associations, totaling \$100M over 5 years, to build 4 city-scale experimental platforms in sub-6 GHz and mmWave frequencies, including UASs.

New in FY 2020 – FY 2021:


- Spectrum and Wireless Innovation enabled by Future Technologies (SWIFT) (ENG, CISE, MPS, GEO)
- NSF/Intel Program on Machine Learning for Wireless Networks (MLWiNS) (ENG, Intel)



Quantum Computing and Information Science

**+\$120.22M in QIS
research in FY 2021
(over FY 2019 actuals)**


- **Growing capacity** in the computing and information science research community through tenure-track faculty lines
- **Novel algorithms, architectures, and software**, enabling quantum information processing and leading to next-generation quantum systems
- **Aligned with Quantum Leap Big Idea**



The image shows the cover of a report titled "ADVANCING QUANTUM INFORMATION SCIENCE: NATIONAL CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES". It is a joint report of the Committee on Science and Committee on Homeland and National Security of the National Science and Technology Council. The report was produced by the Interagency Working Group on Quantum Information Science of the Subcommittee on Physical Sciences in July 2016. To the right is a photograph of a hearing titled "Hearing - American Leadership in Quantum Technology ... Tuesday, October 24, 2017" held by the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology. The hearing features several men in suits seated at a table with microphones.

NSF Quantum Computing & Information Science Faculty Fellows (QCIS-FF)

PROGRAM SOLICITATION
NSF 19-507

 National Science Foundation
Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering
Division of Computing and Communication Foundations
Office of Advanced Cyberinfrastructure

Preliminary Proposal Due Date(s) (required) (due by 5 p.m. submitter's local time):

- December 17, 2018
- July 01, 2019

Submission Window Date(s) (due by 5 p.m. submitter's local time):
February 11, 2019 - February 25, 2019

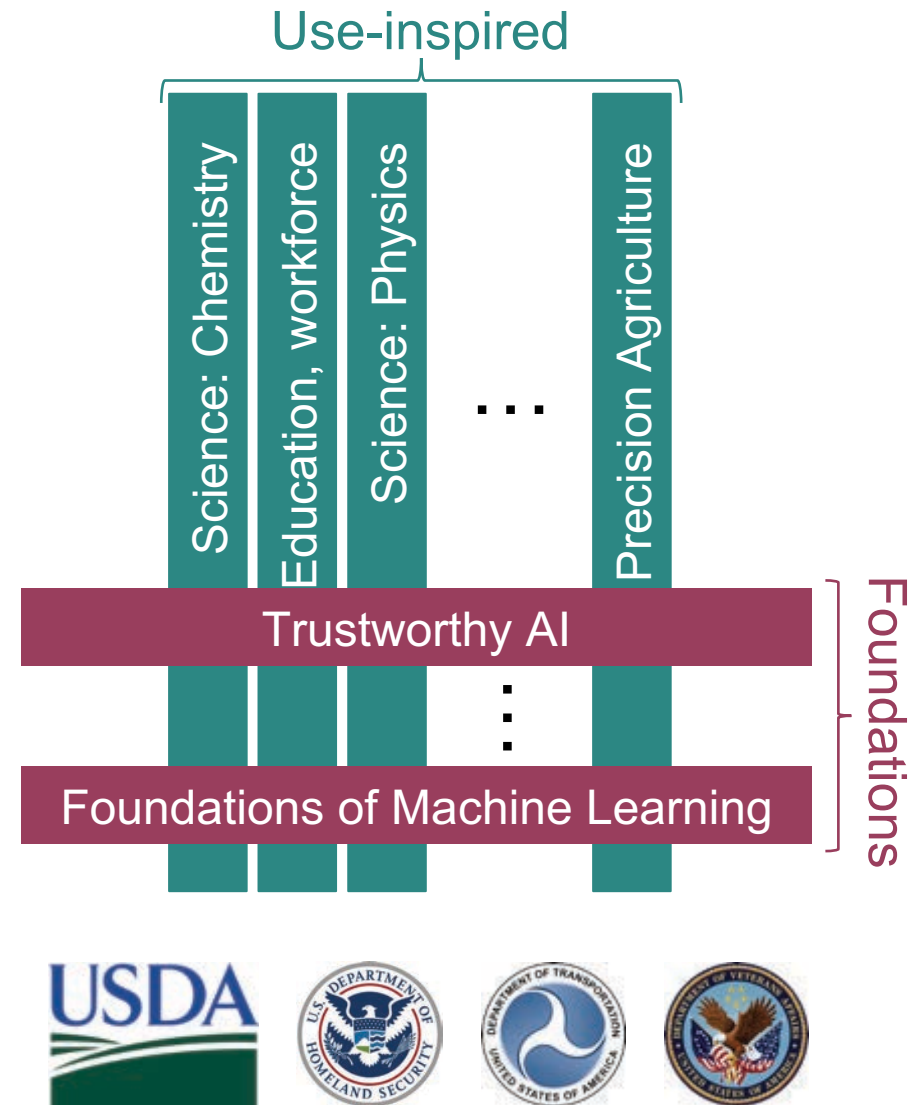
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Collaborative Research: EPiQC: Enabling Practical-Scale Quantum Computation

Program and Research Highlights

National Artificial Intelligence Research Institutes

- National hubs for universities, federal agencies, industry, and nonprofits to advance AI research and education
- In FY 2020:
 - *Planning grants* for future Institutes
 - Launching up to six multidisciplinary, multi-institutional research *Institutes*
- Anticipated investment: ~\$200 million over six years, beginning in FY 2020



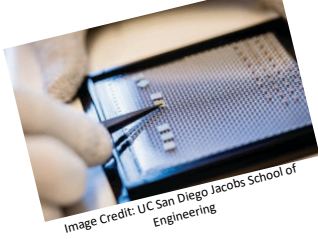


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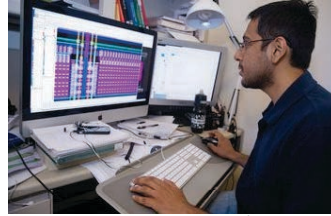


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Expeditions in Computing

25! ~~22~~ awards
since 2007



Image Credit: Harvard University



Image Credit: Vijaykrishnan Narayanan, Penn State and members of Visual Cortex on Silicon Team

Molecular Programming/ Synthetic Biology

- *Evolvable Living Computing -- Understanding and Quantifying Synthetic Biological Systems' Applicability, Performance, and Limits*, Boston U, MIT, Lincoln Labs, 2016
- *Molecular Programming Architectures, Abstractions, Algorithms and Applications*, Caltech, Harvard, UCSF, UW, 2013
- *The Molecular Programming Project*, CalTech, UW, 2008

Sustainability & Environment

- *CompSustNet: Expanding the Horizons of Computational Sustainability*, Cornell, Bowdoin College, California Institute of Technology, CMU, Georgia Tech, Howard, Oregon State, Princeton, Stanford, UMass-Amherst, USC, Vanderbilt, 2016
- *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

Limits of Computation

- *Enabling Practical-scale Quantum Computing*, U of Chicago, 2018
- *The Science of Deep Specification*, Princeton, UPenn, Yale, MIT, 2016
- *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
- *Understanding, Coping with, and Benefiting from Intractability*, Princeton, Rutgers, NYU, Institute for Advanced Study, 2008

Healthcare & Wellbeing

- *Computational Photo-Scatterography: Unraveling Scattered Photons for Bio-imaging*, Rice, 2018
- *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, CMU, 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

Wireless & Internet

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

Formal Modeling and Verification

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

Big Data

- *Secure, Real-Time Decisions on Live Data*, Ion Stoica, UC Berkeley, 2018
- *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)

Revised Expeditions in Computing program

- Revisions recognize changing nature of frontier problems:
 - Greater complexity
 - Need for multi-disciplinary collaborations to enhance societal impact
 - Increasingly data-driven, computationally-intensive
- Longer runway, enabling a path toward sustainability
- Preliminary proposals due June 16, 2020
- Innovation Transition (InTrans) awards:
 - For teams nearing end of their Expeditions as well as SaTC and CPS Frontier projects.
 - Goal: Continue the long-term vision and objectives of CISE's center-scale projects. Through In Trans awards, CISE will provide limited funds to match industry support.

Expeditions characteristics	Beginning with 2020 deadline	Projects initially funded 2008-2020
Project funding level	Up to \$15 million	Up to \$10 million
Project duration	7 years (acceleration + steady-state + wrap-up phases)	5 years
Broadening participation in computing (BPC)	Dedicated funding and a BPC coordinator required	Not a requirement
Project coordinator	Dedicated project coordinator required	Not a requirement



SAGE

A Software-Defined
Sensor Network
- Cyberinfrastructure for
AI at the Edge

Science Justification

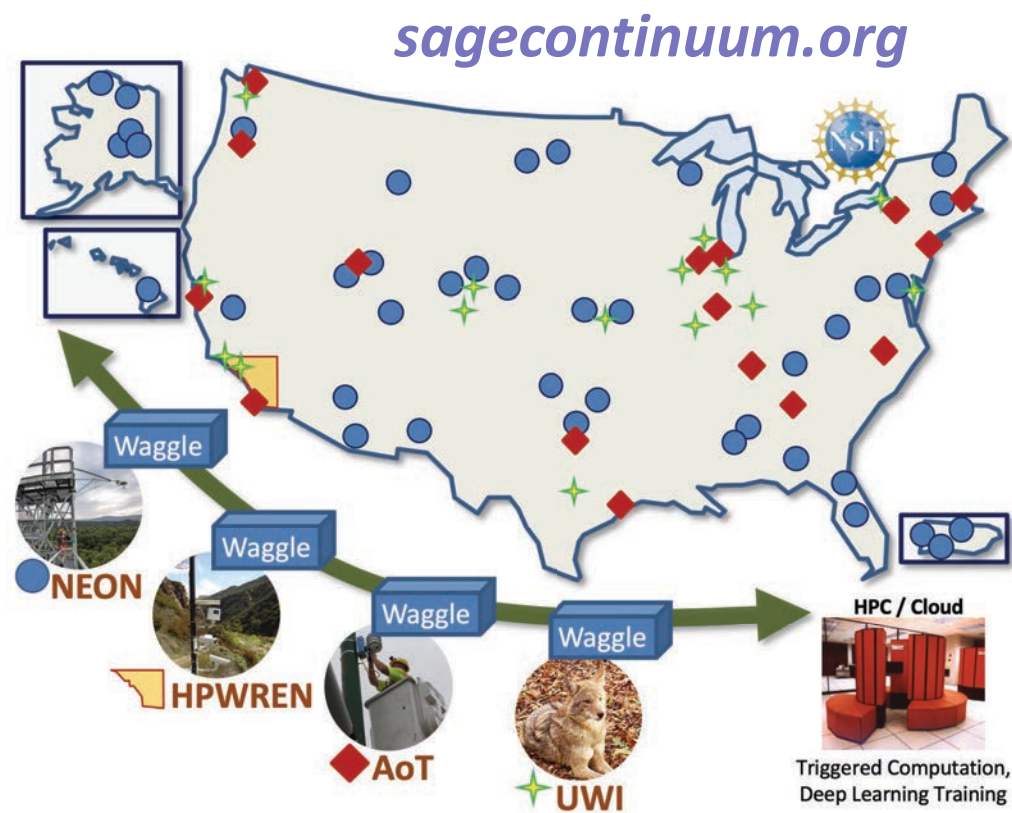
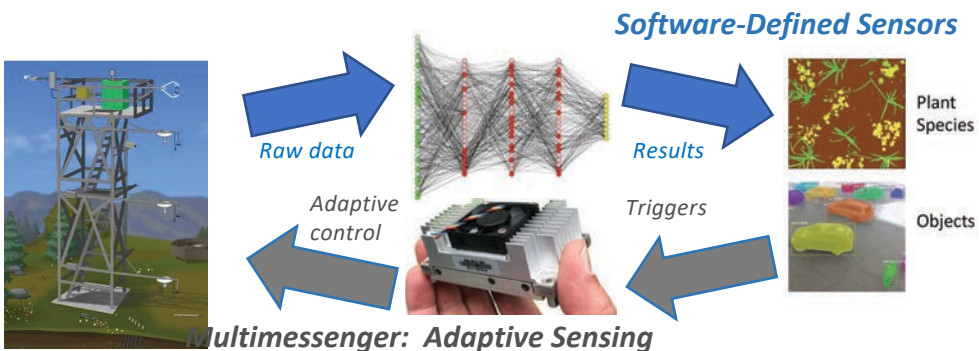
- Understanding resilience —why do ecosystems, cities, neighborhoods respond differently to phenomena such as gradual changes in ecological diversity, increased severe weather, or catastrophic events? What are the mechanisms of resilience, or indices of fragility?

Research Community Benefits

- New cyberinfrastructure for exploring machine learning in a national-scale instrument network
- Flexible national-scale measurement infrastructure
- New measurements via software-defined sensors

Cyberinfrastructure Use Modalities

- Open Data, Open Calibration, Education
- Triggered Computation
- Scheduled Edge Computation
- Machine Learning for the Edge (AI@Edge)



Leadership Team



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sagecontinuum.org



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Research Community

- New cyberinfrastructure scale instrument
- Flexible national-scale instrument
- New measurement techniques

Cyberinfrastructure

- Open Data, Open Access
- Triggered Computation
- Scheduled Edge Computing
- Machine Learning

■ **Funded through Mid-Scale Research infrastructure program as one of NSF’s Big Ideas.**

■ **Keep an eye out for future Mid-Scale Research Infrastructure solicitations.**

■ **Think broadly about what “infrastructure” is.**
-> **Data as infrastructure!**



Raw data
Adaptive
co...

Ultimessenger: Adaptive Sensing

Broadening Participation

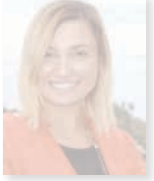
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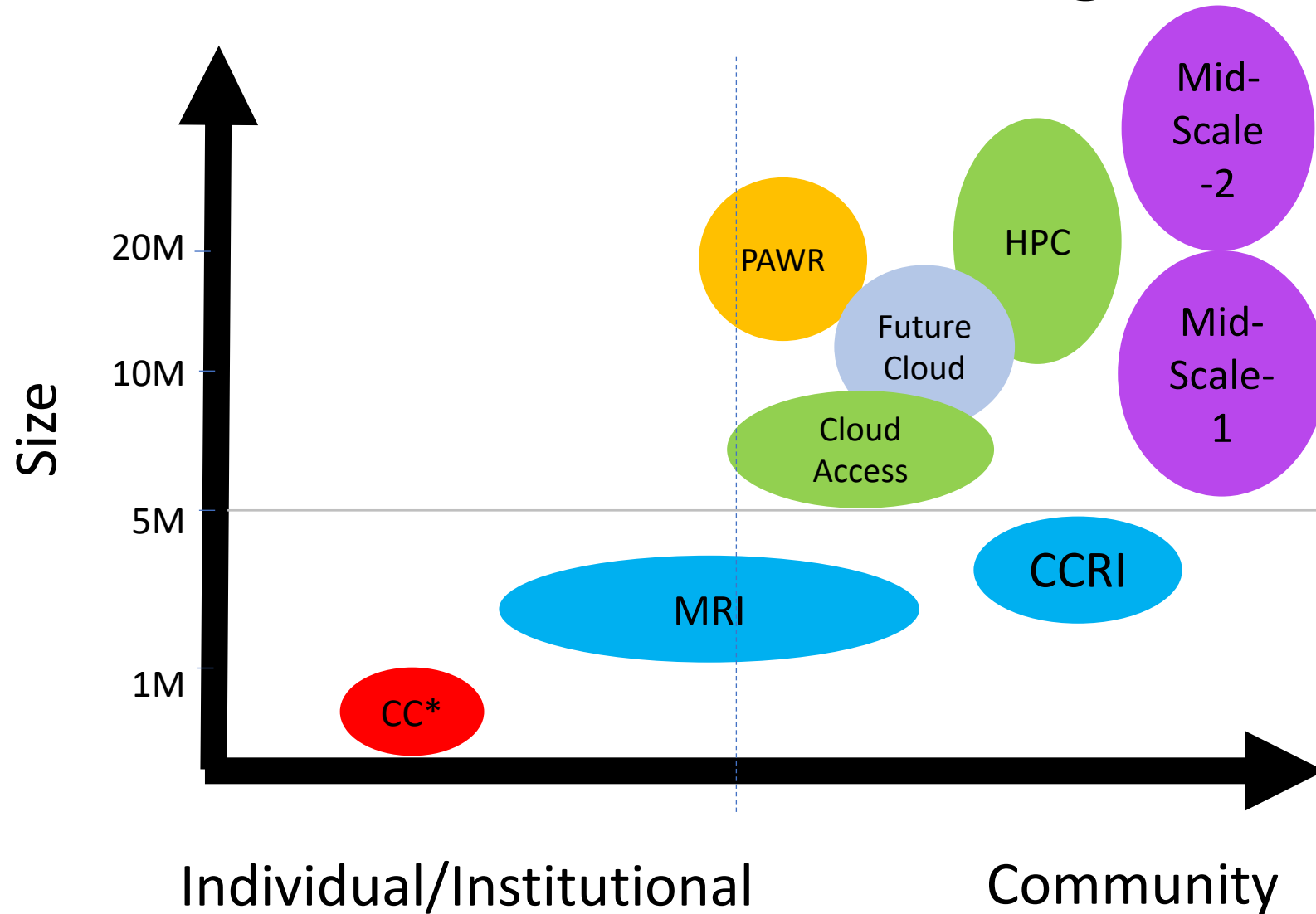


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CISE Infrastructure Programs



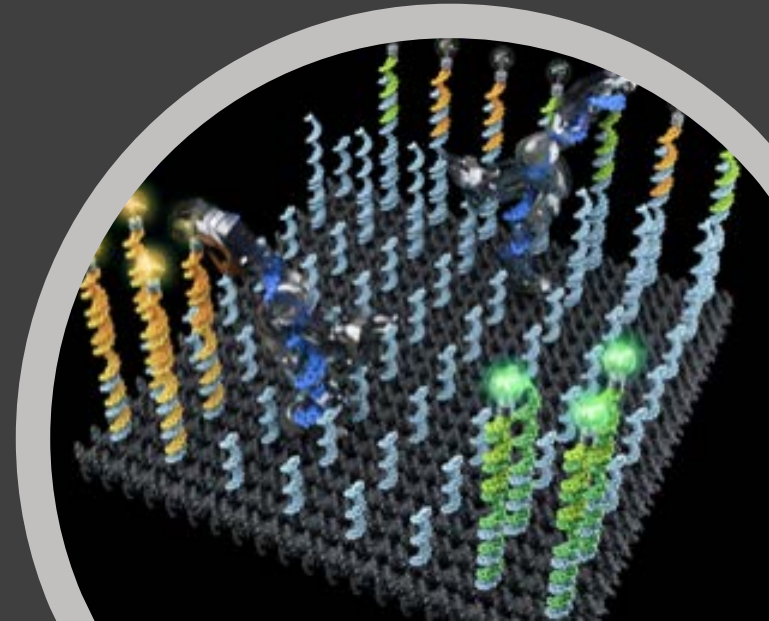
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Research Highlights

Programming Molecules



- **CCF-1351081: Robust and Systematic Molecular Engineering with Synthetic DNA Neural Networks and Collective Molecular Robots (CAREER)**
 - PI: Lulu Qian (Caltech)
 - *Foundational research into molecular programming, a new field that uses insights and techniques from computation to design and 'program' complex molecular systems."*
- **Motivating applications:** Precision medicine, Programmable materials.
- **Achievements:** Computing with DNA, neural networks with DNA, molecular robots, tic-tac-toe using DNA, ...
- **Press:** Science, Nature, LA Times, ABC News, Newsweek, Smithsonian, ...



CAREER: Scaling up Modeling and Statistical Inference for Massive Collections of Time Series

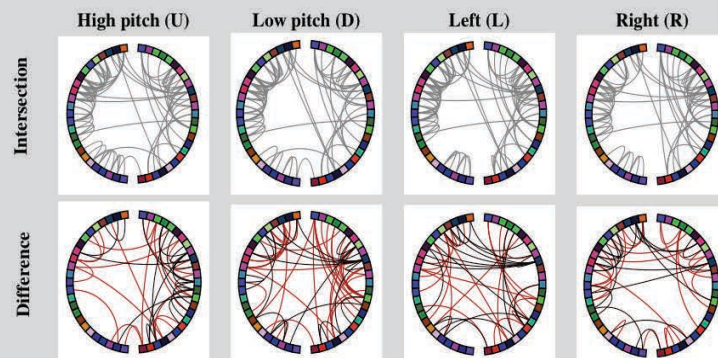
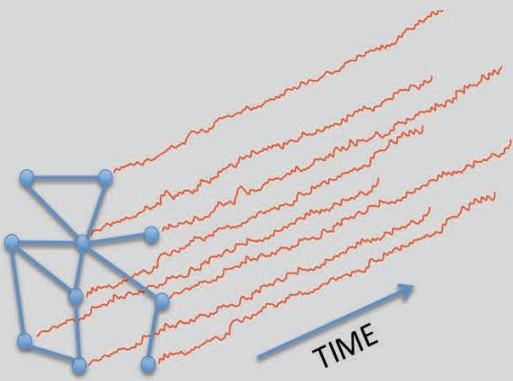
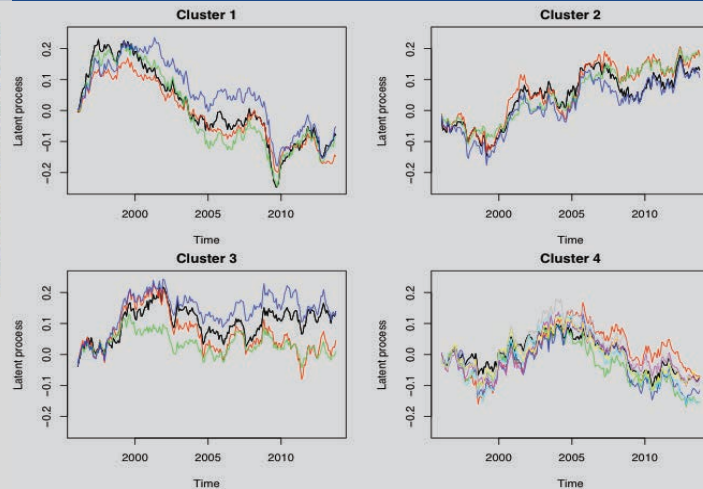
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Models of Sparsely Sampled Time Series



Learning Directed and Undirected Graphs of Time Series

- Goal: Discover structured relationships in massive time series where the individual data streams often include only infrequent observations such that each alone does not provide sufficient data for accurate inferences (e.g., spread of influenza, crime prediction, consumer trends).
- Approach: Bayesian nonparametric approach, integrating and advancing ideas from machine learning, systems, engineering, and statistics.
- Results:
 - Open source software
 - Coursera specialization in Machine Learning
 - 70+ publications; 3,000+ citations
- Broader impacts: Economic study of the housing sector, homelessness modeling, and neuroscience (how networks in the brain are activated in response to specific tasks, as well as in understanding gene regulatory networks)
- Education, BPC: ML courses: Grad, Undergrad CS, non-CS, high school, summer school; female and underrepresented students mentoring; Workshop on "The Delicate Career-Family-Life Balance, Career Trajectories, and Other Advice"
- More:
 - New award: IIS – 1607468, CRCNS: Bayesian Modeling of Interacting Time Series to Discover Cortical Networks Associated with Auditory Processing Dysfunction
 - 3 wonderful children

Stay tuned
this year

- CISE/SBE collaborations: Virtual workshops on topics of joint interest
- Mid-scale Research Infrastructure Calls: Send your Best Ideas!
- PPOSS: First proposals and rollout
- AI Research Institutes: First round grantees announced
- SaTC No-deadlines experiment continuing
- BPC Pilot Progress
- And much more!

Join Us!

Students

- Research Experiences for Undergraduates (REU)
- NSF Graduate Fellowships

Faculty

- Send us your great proposals
- Proposal Writing Workshops
- Tell us your research triumphs
- Be an NSF Panel Reviewer
- Be an NSF Rotator!

NSF Coronavirus Webpage

- https://www.nsf.gov/news/special_reports/coronavirus/
- DCL on RAPIDs for research + computing resources
- Proposal deadline extensions
- PI and budget guidance

Pointers and Discussion Questions

- CAREER Proposal Writing Workshop:
 - Going virtual
- Thoughts on No deadlines? Feedback on SATC?
- Trends in jobs/hiring?