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# The Future of Computing Research: Enlightenment, Renaissance, or Diaspora

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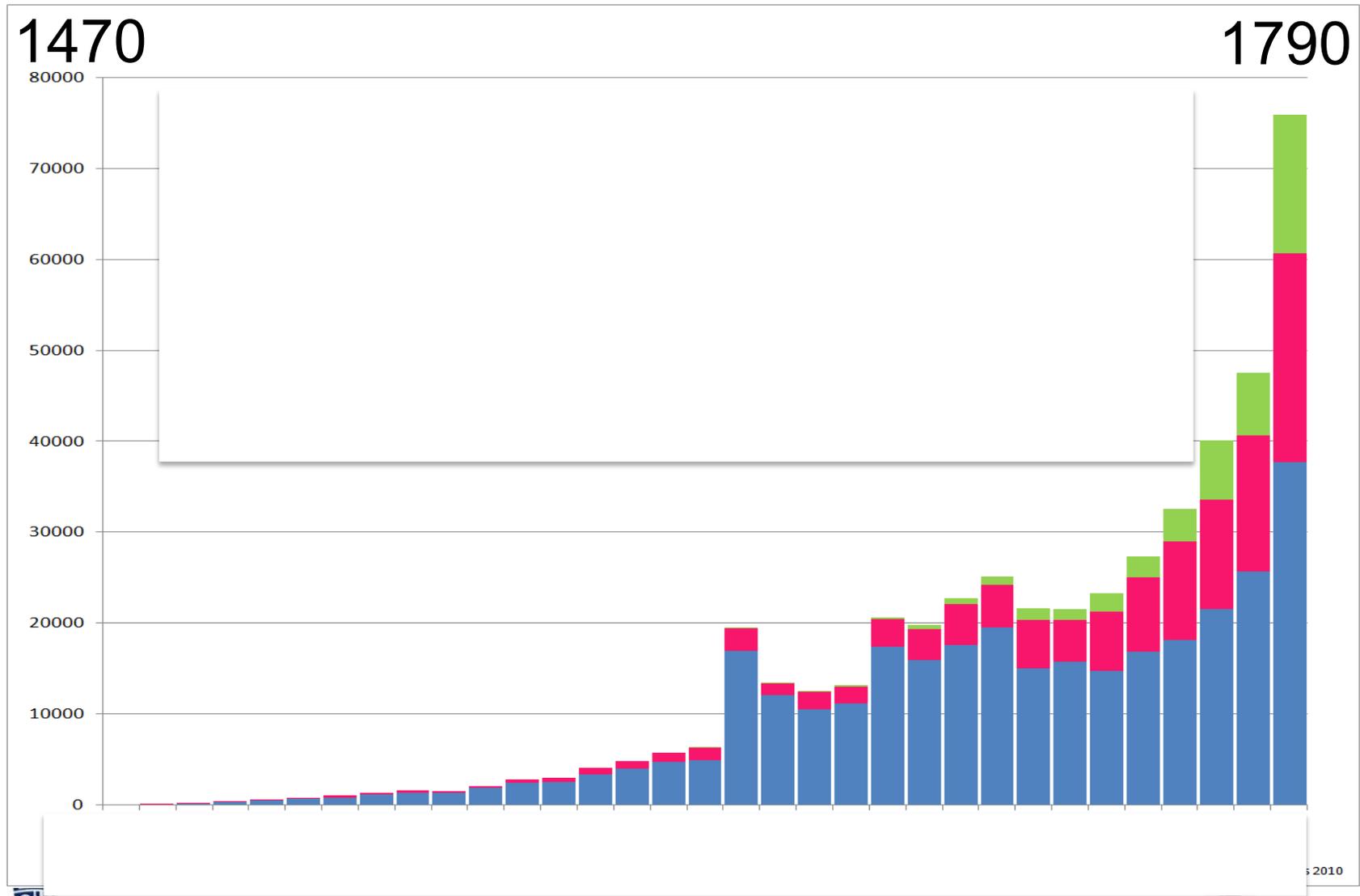
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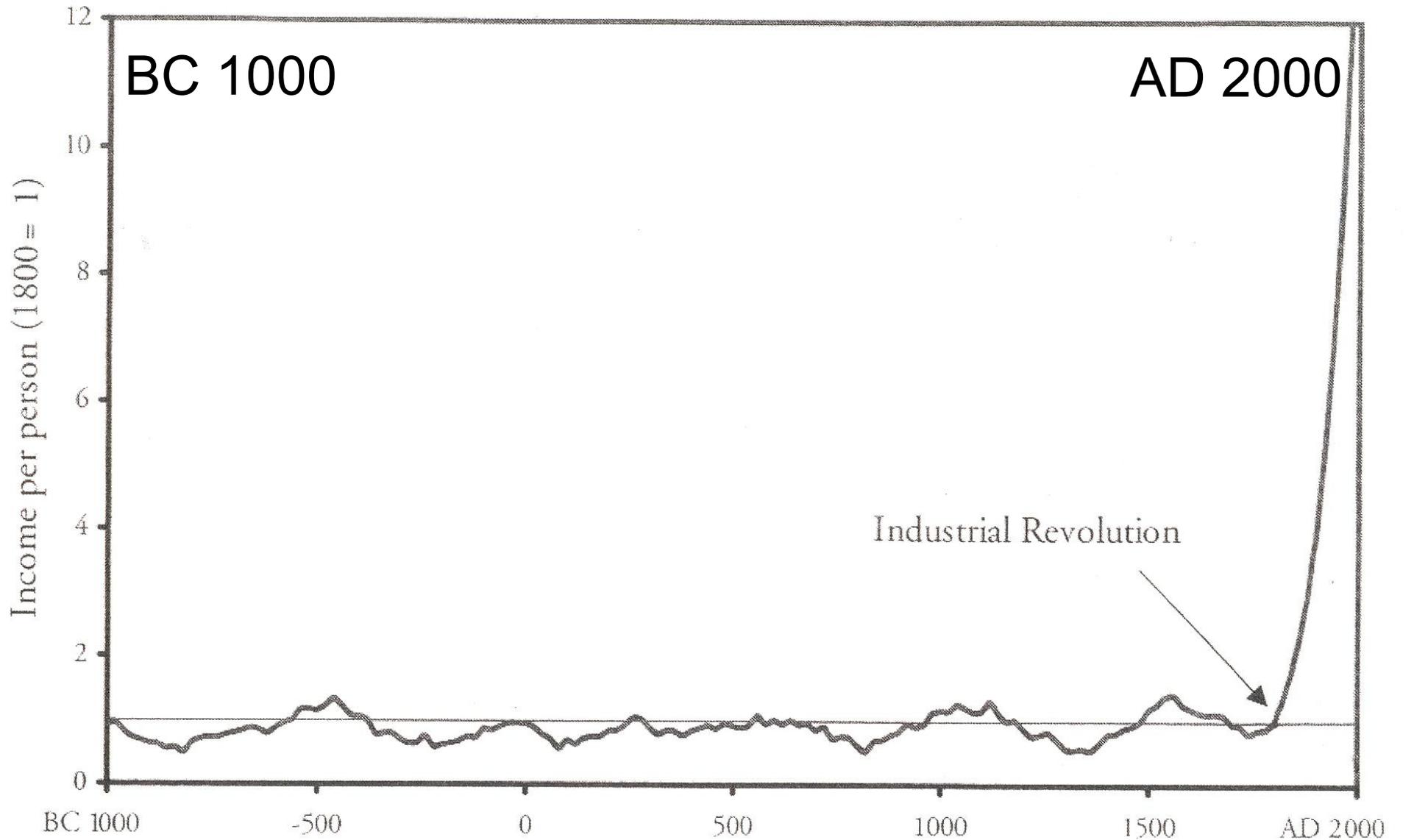
# The Plan

- Some observations on the past and current evolution on computing
- Some ideas about some of the forces driving computing today and how they are unique
- Some thoughts on the possible directions for the future
- The CCC and its role in shaping the future

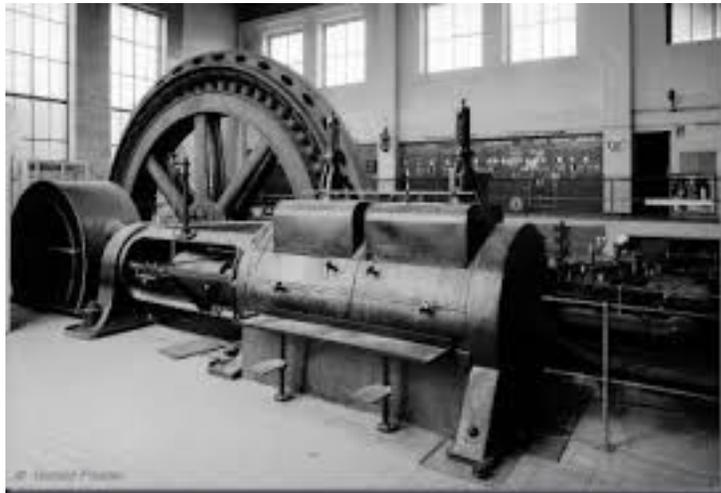
# We Aren't The First Exponential!



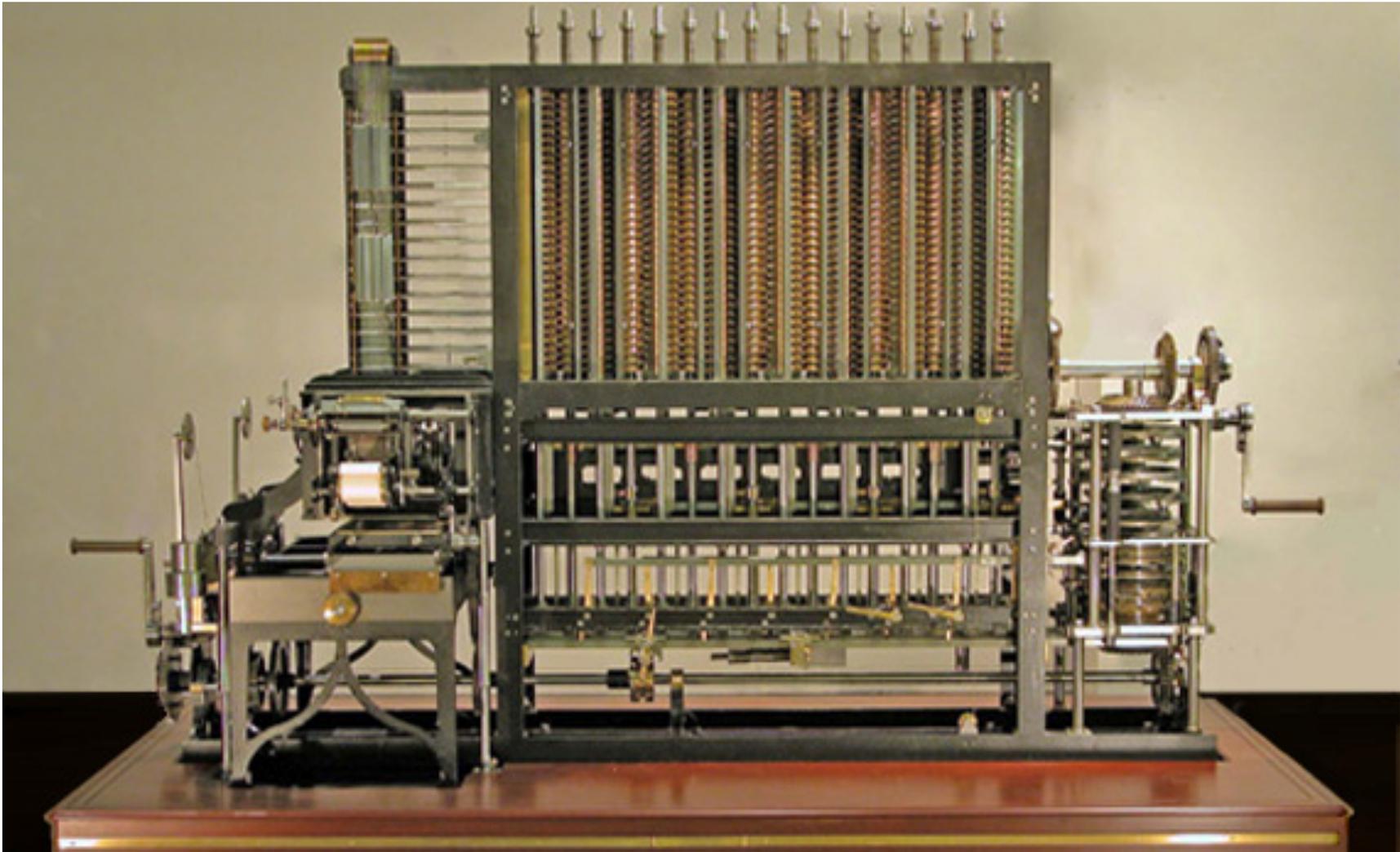
# Another Exponential



# The Age of Steam



# Physical Machines, Virtual Work!



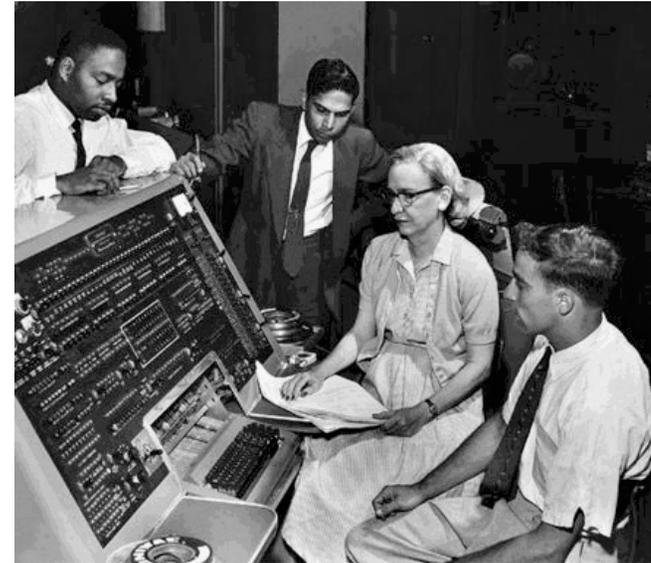
# From Concept to Commodity



# The WOMEN who first programmed them!

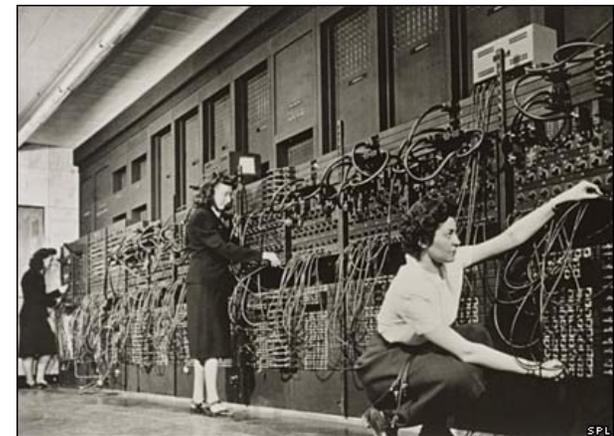


Ada Lovelace



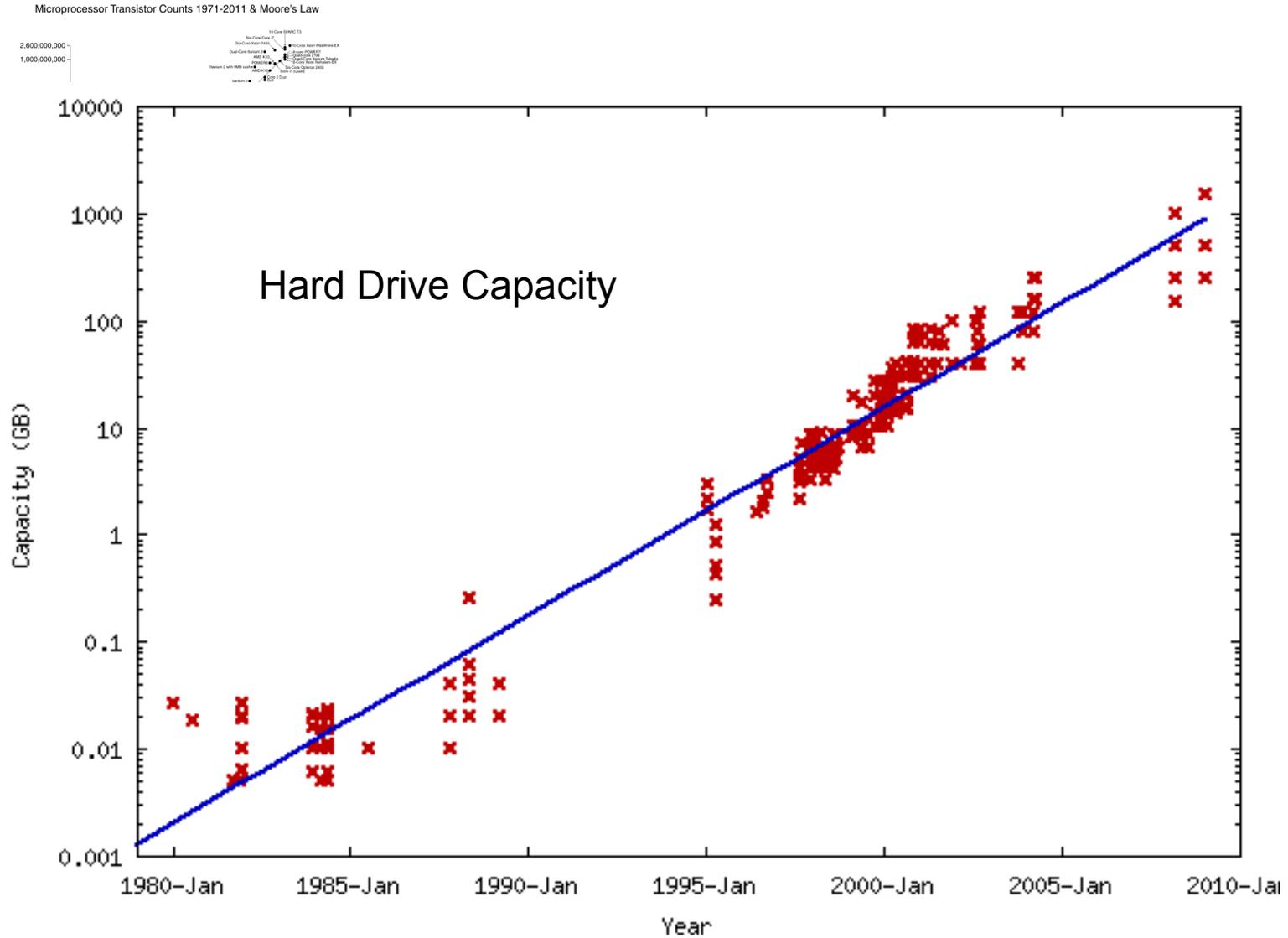
Grace Hopper

*Kathy Kleiman,  
Jean Bartik,  
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Kay Mauchly  
Antonelli  
Betty Holberton*



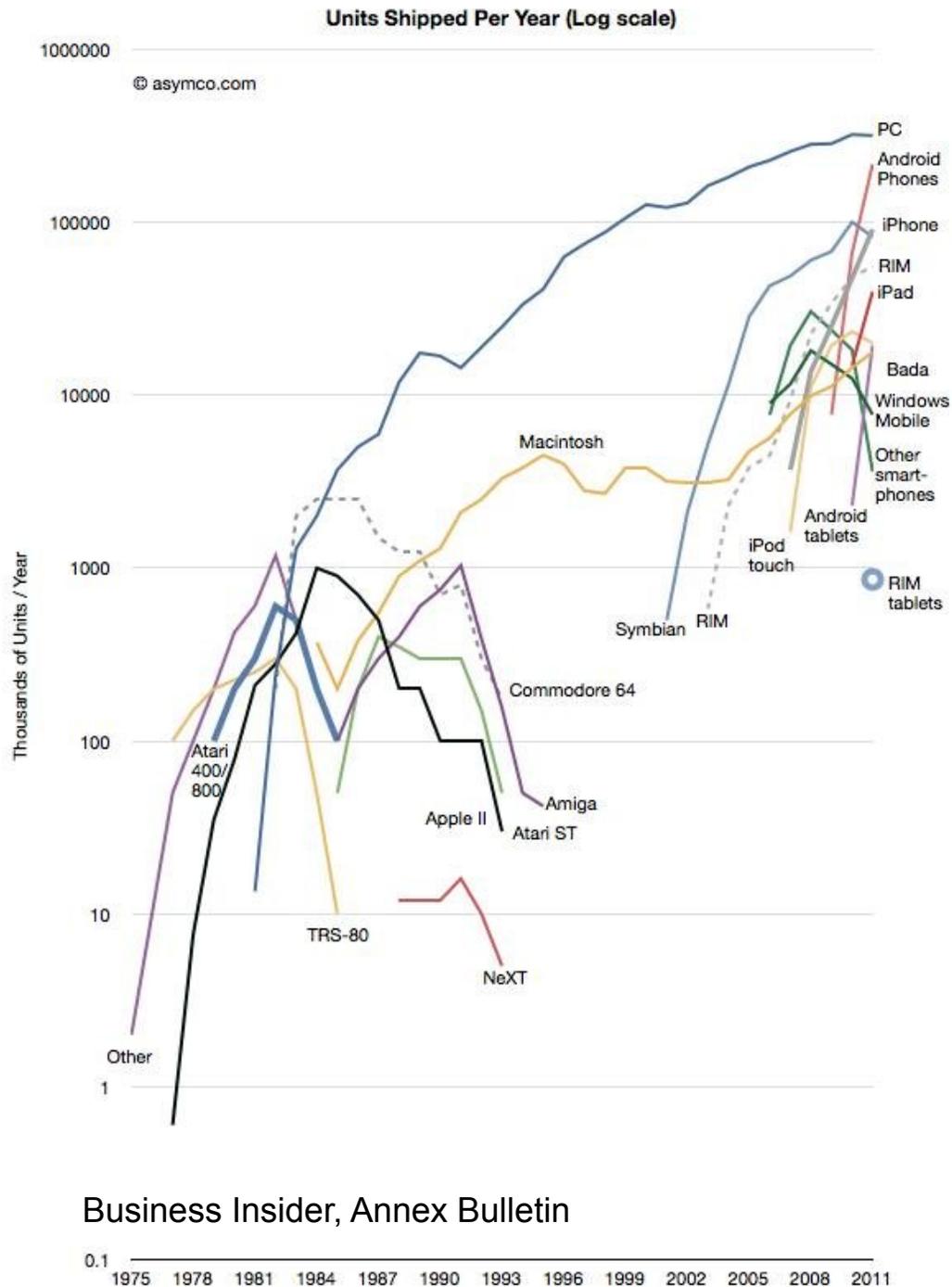


# Surfing Exponential (Economic) Waves





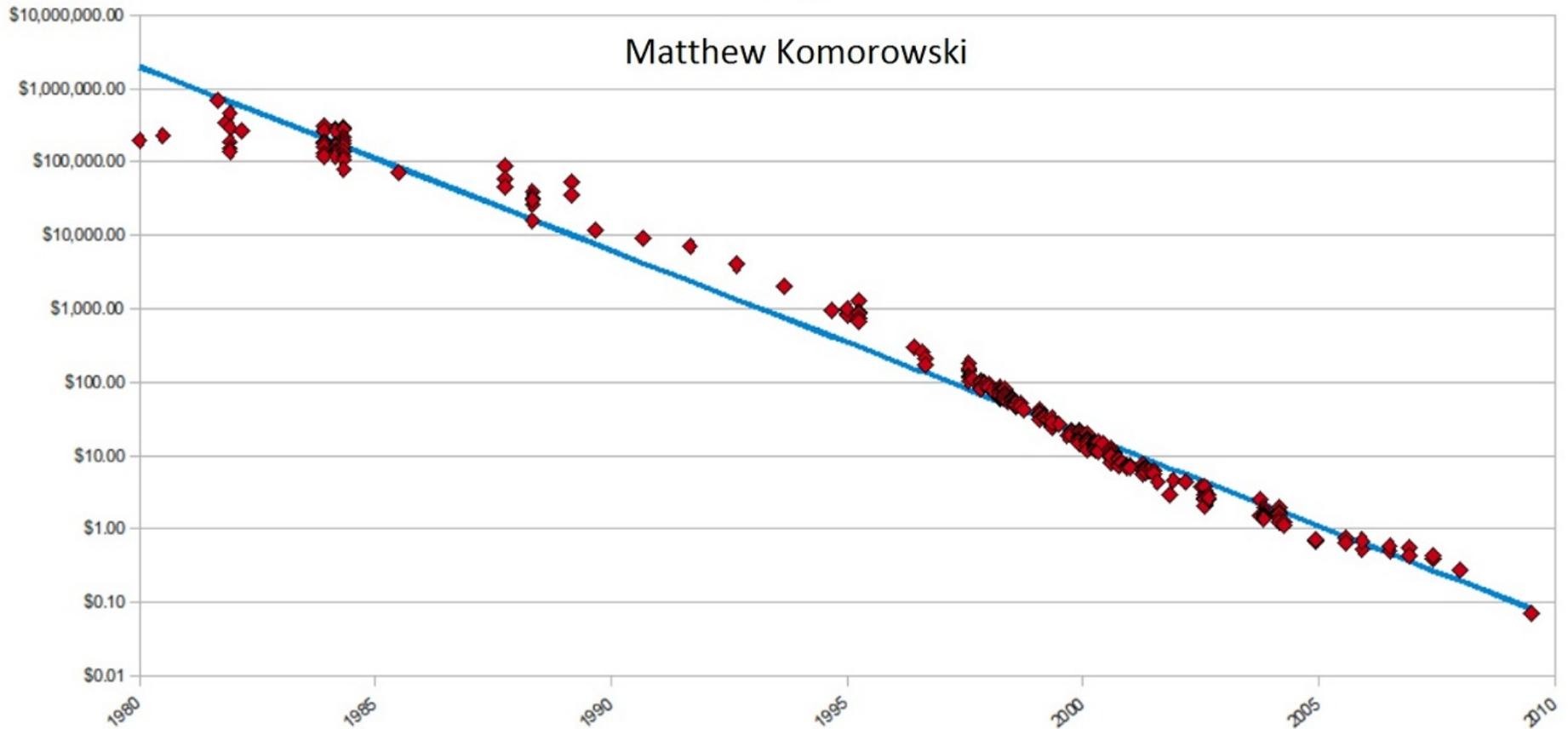
# The PC Revolution



BPwiz.com

# The Corresponding Economics

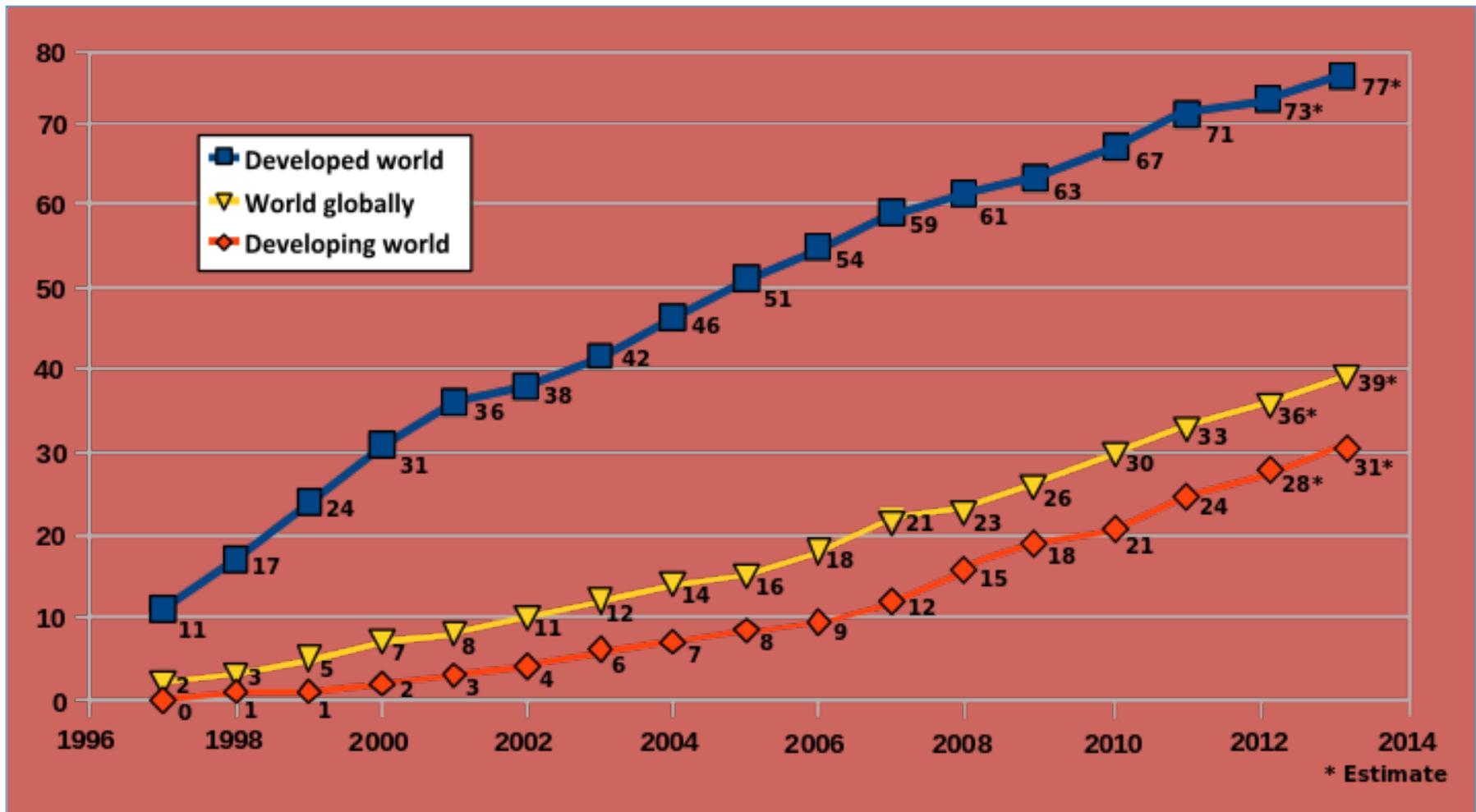
Hard Drive Cost per Gigabyte  
1980 - 2009



# A World Awash in Computing

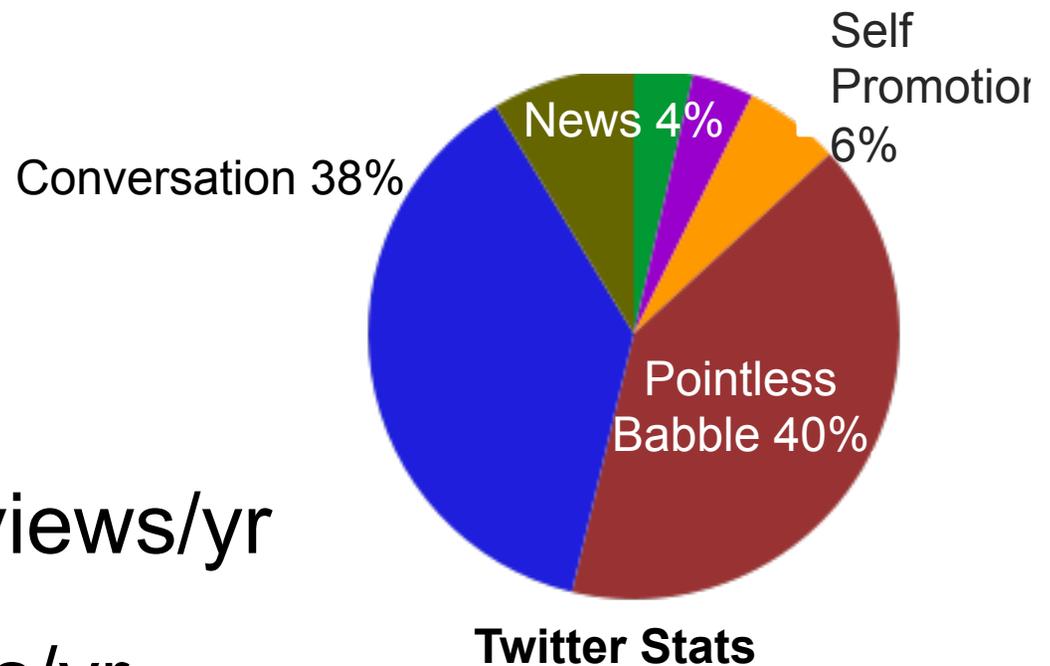
- More than 10B microprocessors sold every year
- Every smartphone includes camera, accelerometer, internet connectivity
- Cloud infrastructure dwarfs many of the world's supercomputers
- Access from practically anywhere ...

# A World Awash in Computing



# The Current Decade: Online Everything

- Email: 65 trillion/yr
- SMS: 7 trillion/yr
- Youtube: 14trillion views/yr
- Twitter: 200B tweets/yr



<http://www.internetlivestats.com/one-second/#google-band>

# A Big Driver: Us!

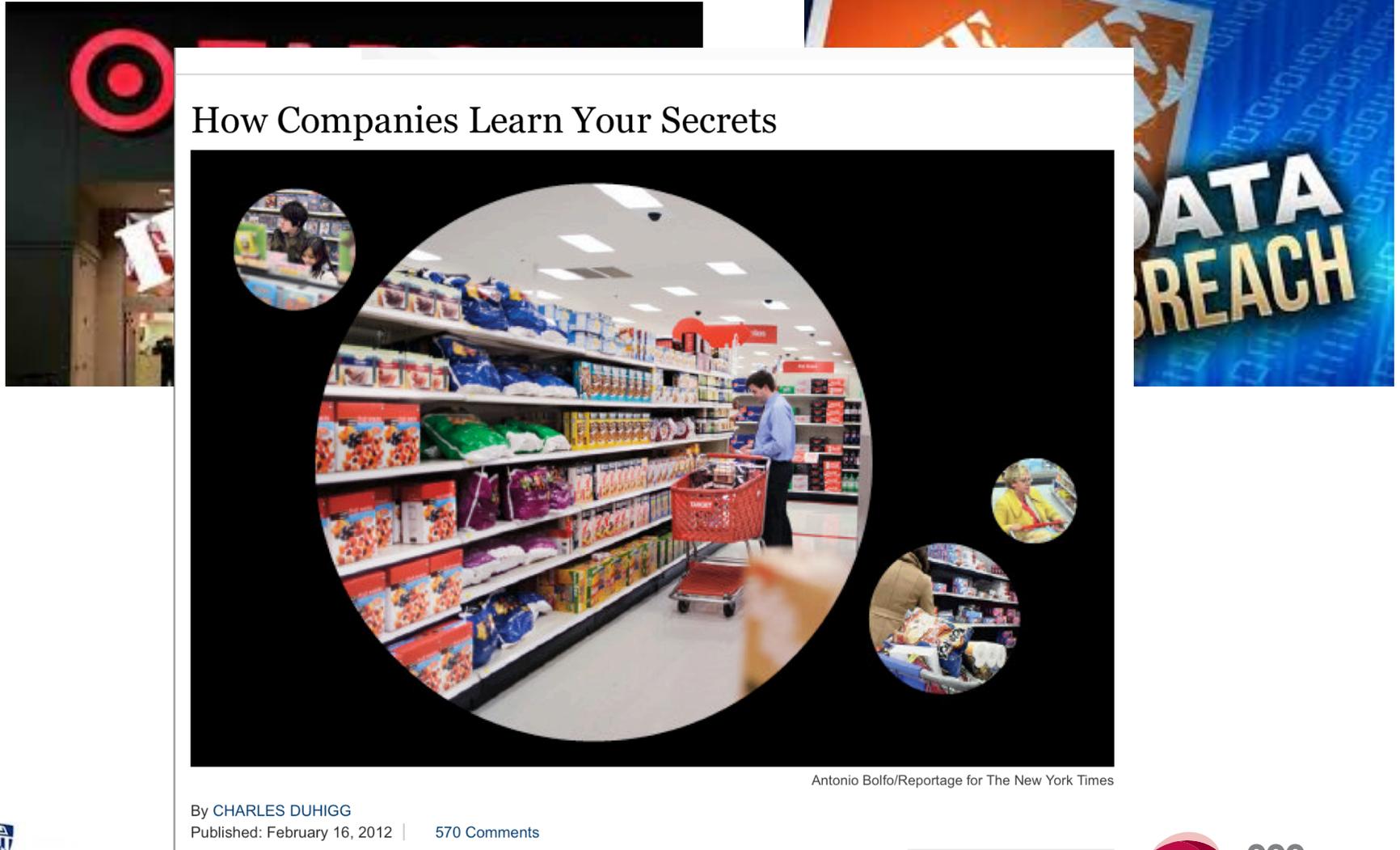


- Netflix
- Http
- BitTorrent
- Youtube

Flash Video; 3%



# Challenge: Security and Privacy



**How Companies Learn Your Secrets**

Antonio Bolfo/Reportage for The New York Times

By CHARLES DUHIGG  
Published: February 16, 2012 | 570 Comments

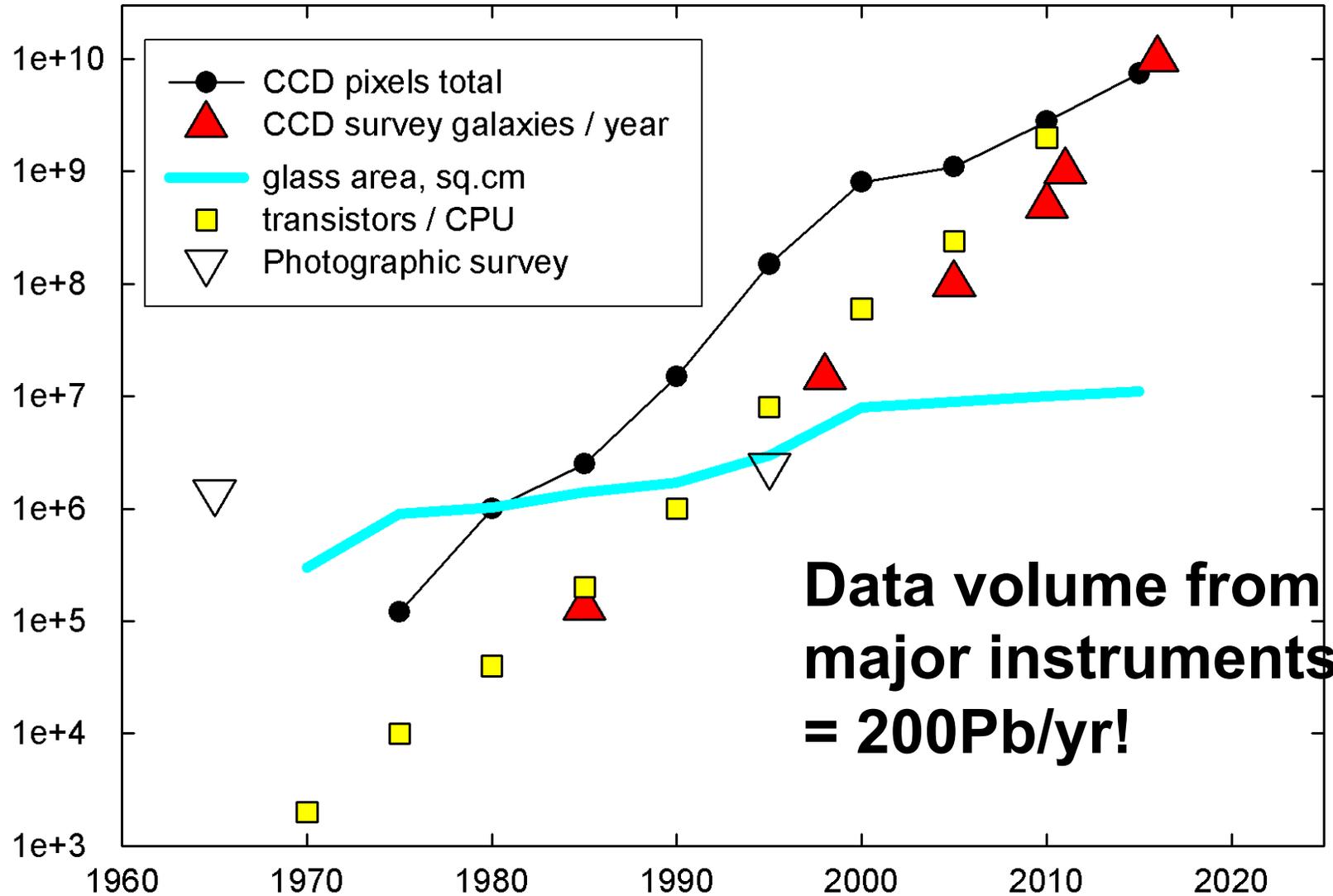
# The Current Decade: “Data” Everything

- Creation of almost all information in digital form
- Dramatic cost reductions in storage
  - You can afford to keep all the data
- Dramatic increases in network bandwidth
  - You can move the data to where it’s needed
- Blurring of line between computing to create data, and computing to analyze data



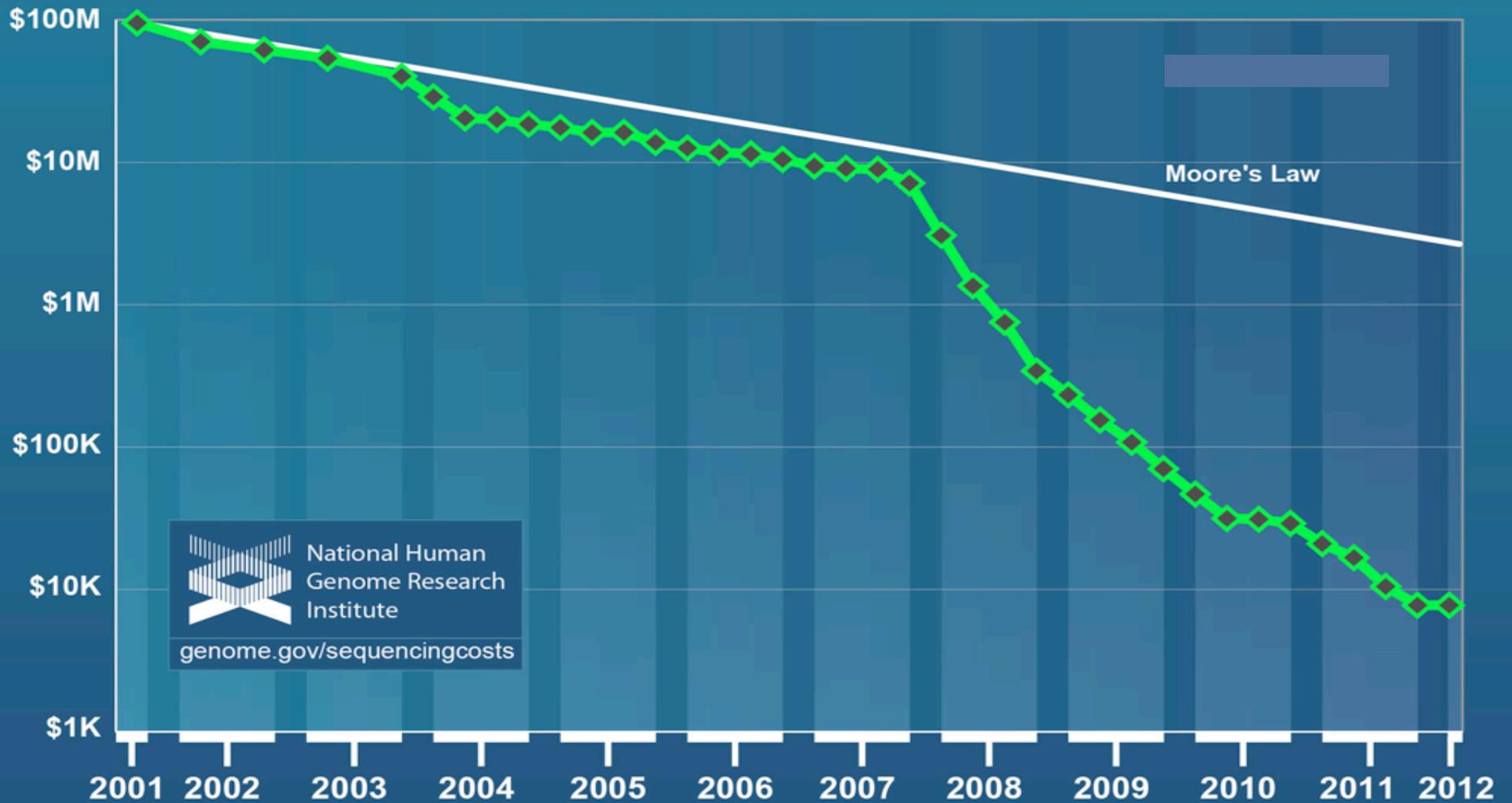
# Drivers: Science

## Trends in Optical Astronomy Survey Data

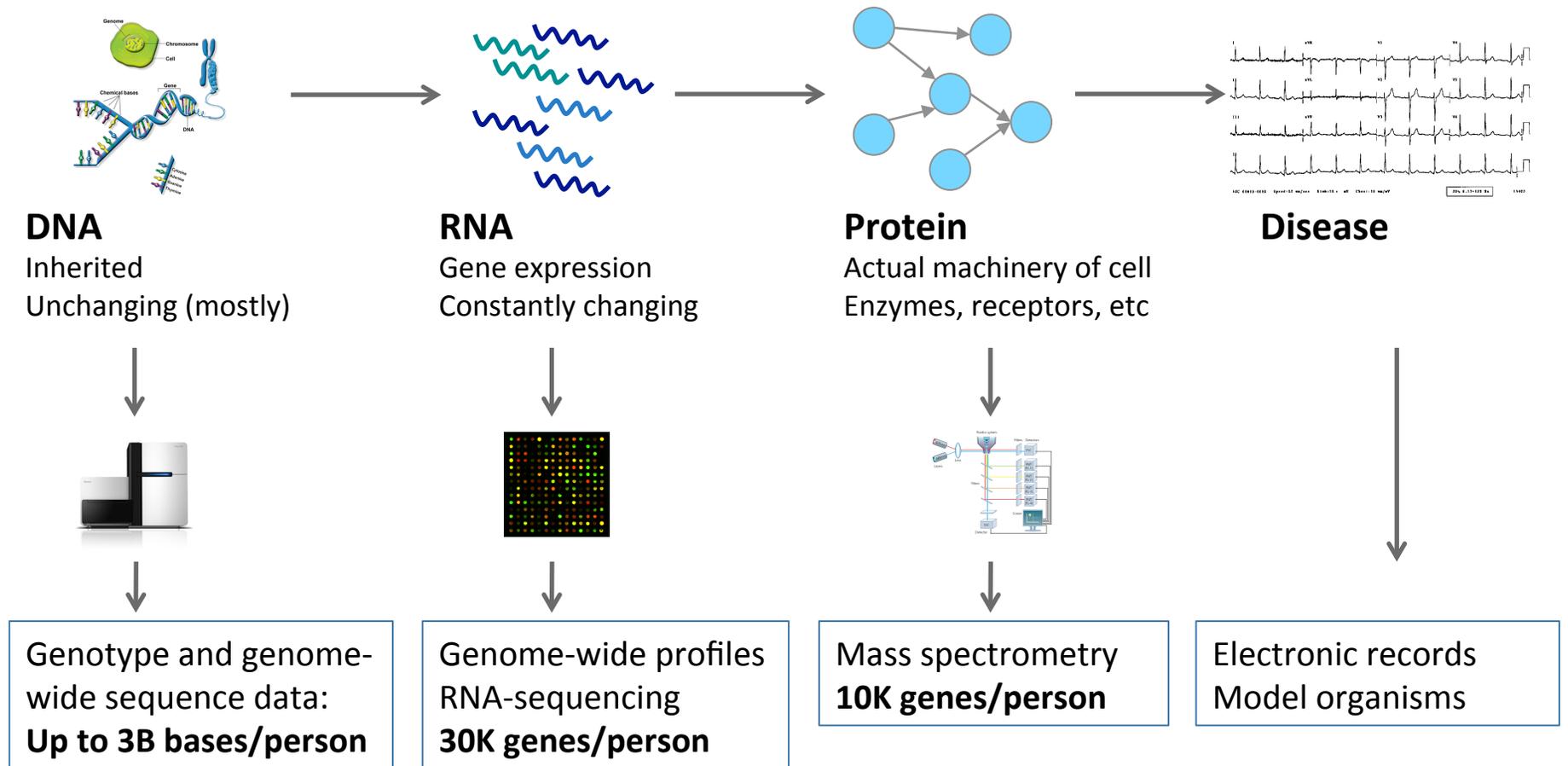


# Drivers: Science

## Cost per Genome



# A Challenge: Making Sense of Data



# The Social Realm Too!

## Events Calendar

Oct 29 [CS Colloquium: Brian Scassellati \(Yale University\) - Building Models of Self and Task](#)

Wed, Oct 29, 2014 @ 03:30 PM - 05:00 PM  
Computer Science  
Conferences, Lectures, & Seminars

Speaker: Brian Scassellati, Yale University

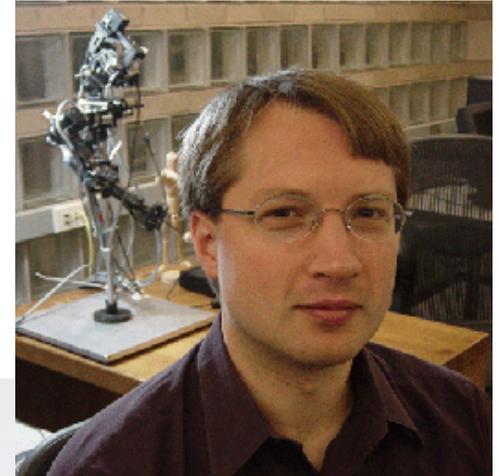
Talk Title: Building Models of Self and Task

Series: CS Colloquium

Abstract: This talk is an amalgamation of two topics that came out of research on building socially collaborative systems that focus on building richer representations of both robots and the tasks that they engage in. First, I will discuss methods for building self-trained models of a robot's own kinematic structure and sensory systems. Second, I will describe ongoing efforts to automatically learn hierarchical representations of task structure from observations. These two topics, taken together, present a novel viewpoint of how we can restructure the way in which we view the division between built-in representations and learned methods.

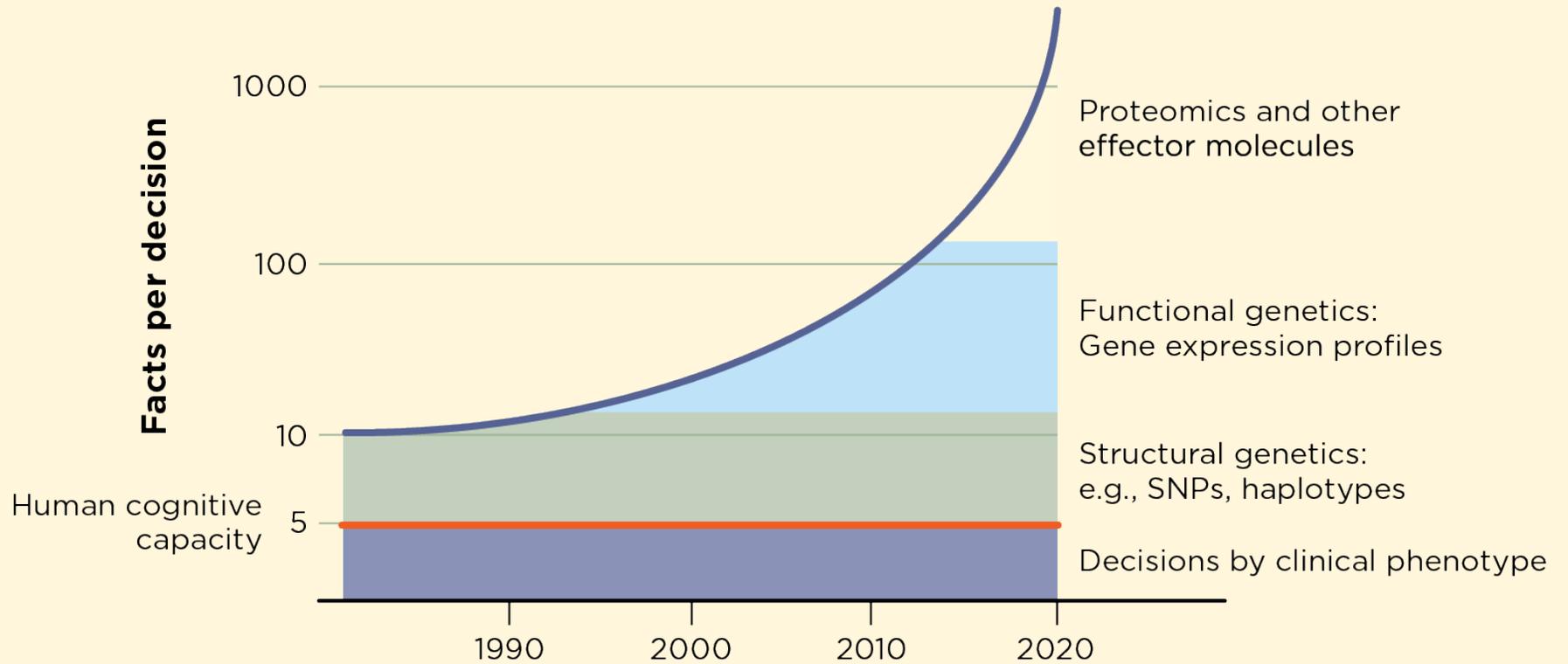
Biography: Brian Scassellati is a Professor of Computer Science, Cognitive Science, and Mechanical Engineering at Yale University and Director of the NSF Expedition on Socially Assistive Robotics. His research focuses on building embodied computational models of human social behavior, especially the developmental progression of early social skills. Using computational modeling and socially interactive robots, his research evaluates models of how infants acquire social skills and assists in the diagnosis and quantification of disorders of social development (such as autism).

Host: Maja Mataric



# A Challenge: Healthcare and Complexity

## Diagnostic factors in play per person



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Advising the nation / Improving health

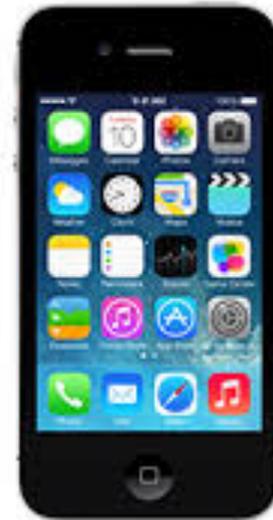


# Overarching Challenge

Make data usable by people who aren't  
computer scientists!

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# Drivers: Co-Existing and Collaborating



Smart Transportation (Google)



**baxter**<sup>TM</sup>  
Smart Helpers (Rethink Robotics)



Smart Homes  
(GE + Firstbuild)

# A Challenge: Working in the Built Environment

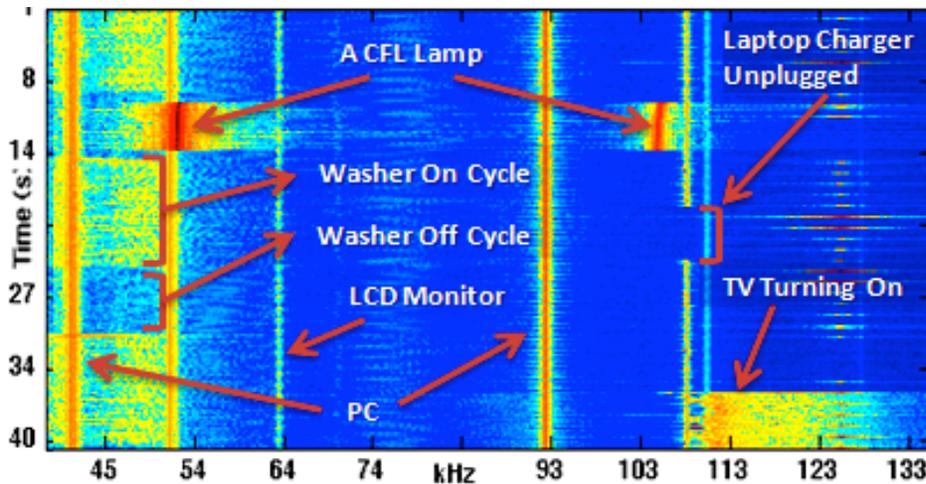


Figure 2: Frequency spectrogram showing device actuation in a

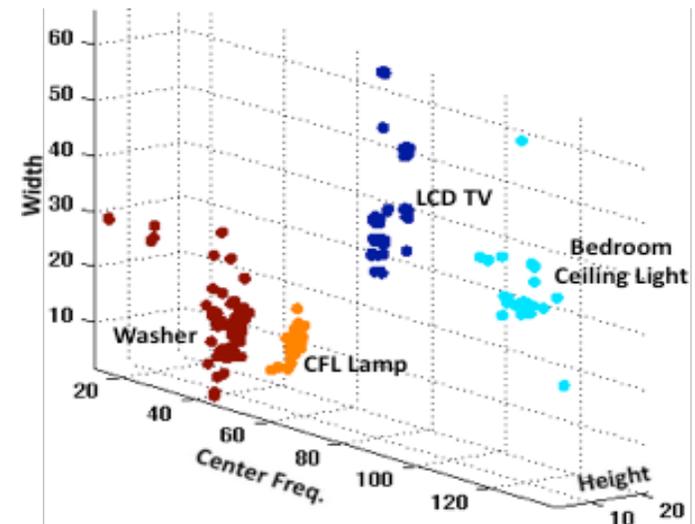


Figure 8: Variation of features over 6 months for four devices shown in the feature space. Note that no cluster overlaps.

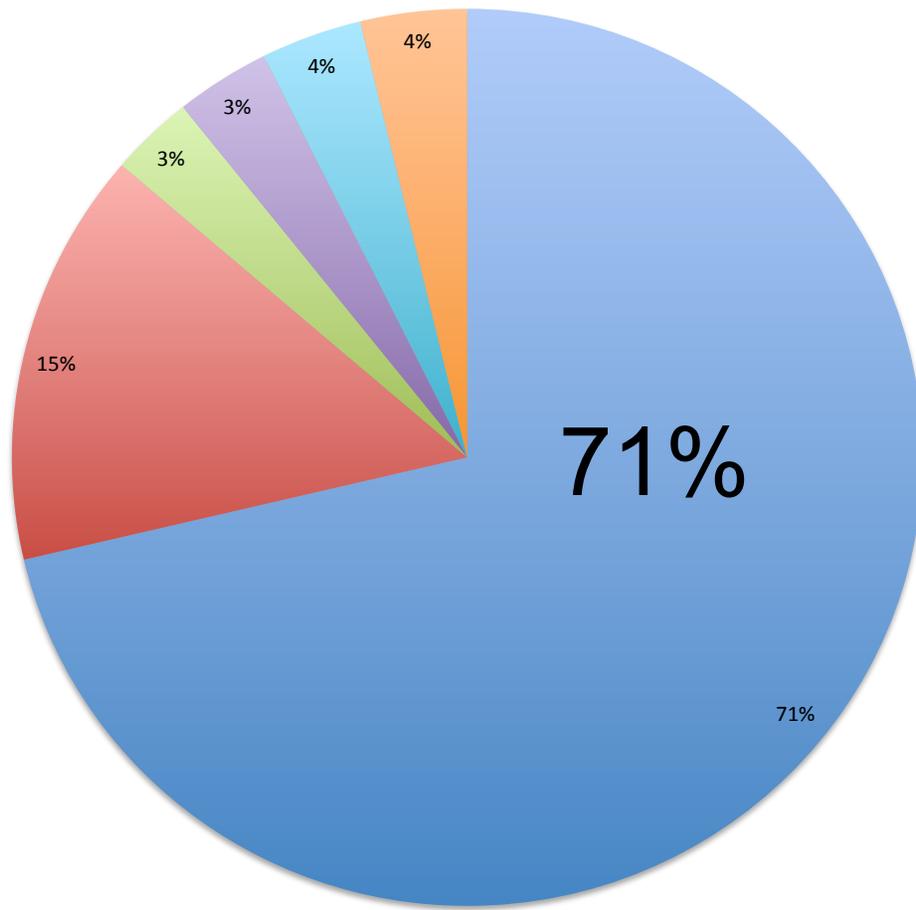
Gupta, S., Reynolds, M.S., Patel, S.N. *ElectriSense: Single-Point Sensing Using EMI for Electrical Event Detection and Classification in the Home*. In the *Proceedings of UbiComp 2010* (Sept. 26-29, Copenhagen, Denmark), ACM, New York, 2010, pp. 139-148.

# An Overarching Challenge

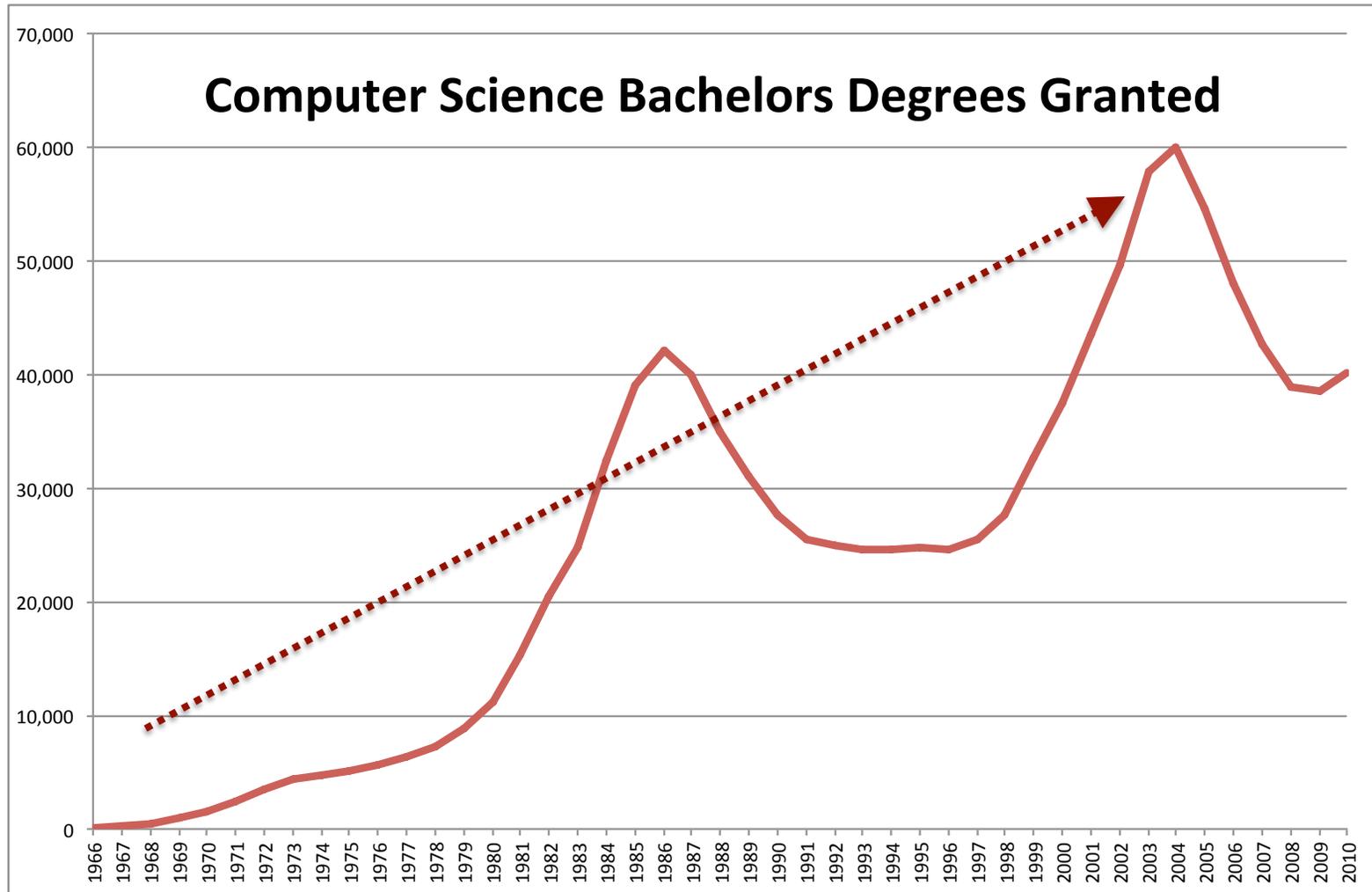
Who's doing to do all of this?

No wonder students (or their parents, more likely) are figuring out that all of the STEM jobs are in computer science

Job Growth, 2012-22 - U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics  
Computer Occupations = 71% of all STEM

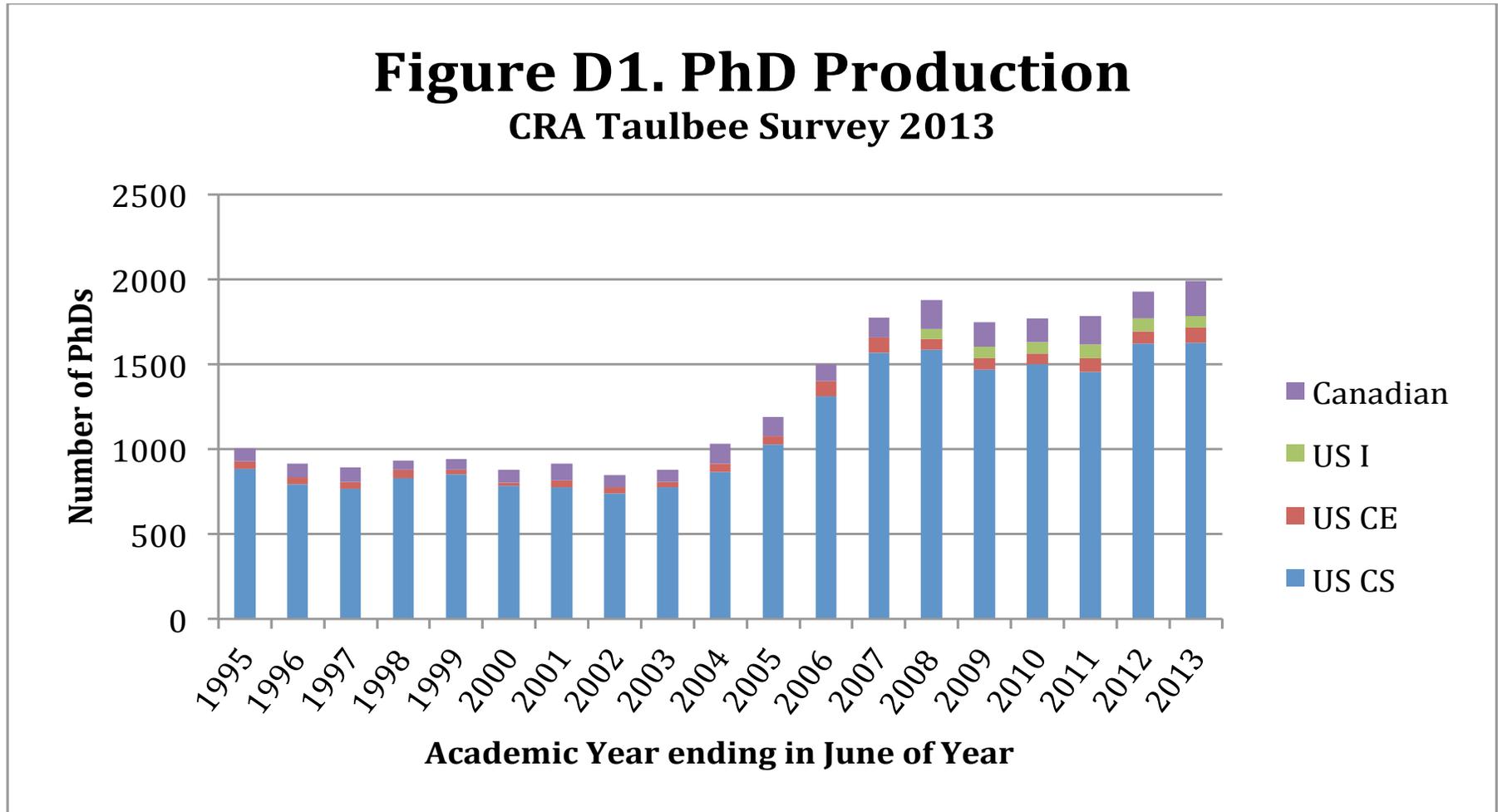


# But, the kids are catching on ...



# PhD Production is also at an all-time high!

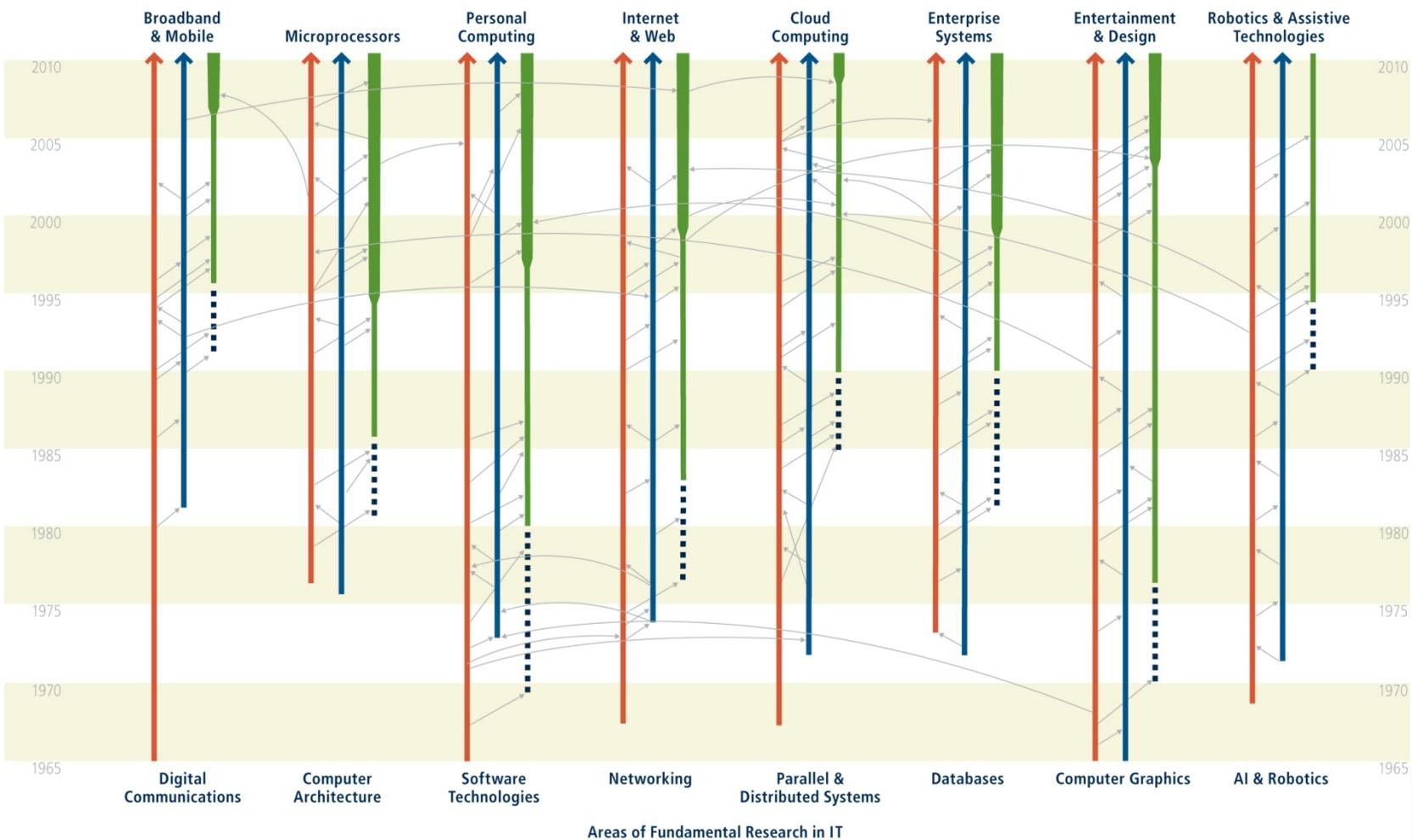
**Figure D1. PhD Production**  
CRA Taulbee Survey 2013





# IT Sectors With Large Economic Impact

Motorola      AMD Intel      eBay Akamai Yahoo!      IBM  
 Qualcomm      HP Symantec Juniper Facebook Twitter      VMware HP      Electronic Arts  
 Texas Instruments      Apple      Cisco Amazon      Microsoft      Oracle      Adobe Autodesk Xbox Nuance  
 iPhone      nVidia      Dell      Google      iPod      iRobot Intuitive Surgical



— University      — Industry R&D      - - - Products      — \$1 Billion Market      — \$10 Billion Market

Continuing  
**Innovation**  
 IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

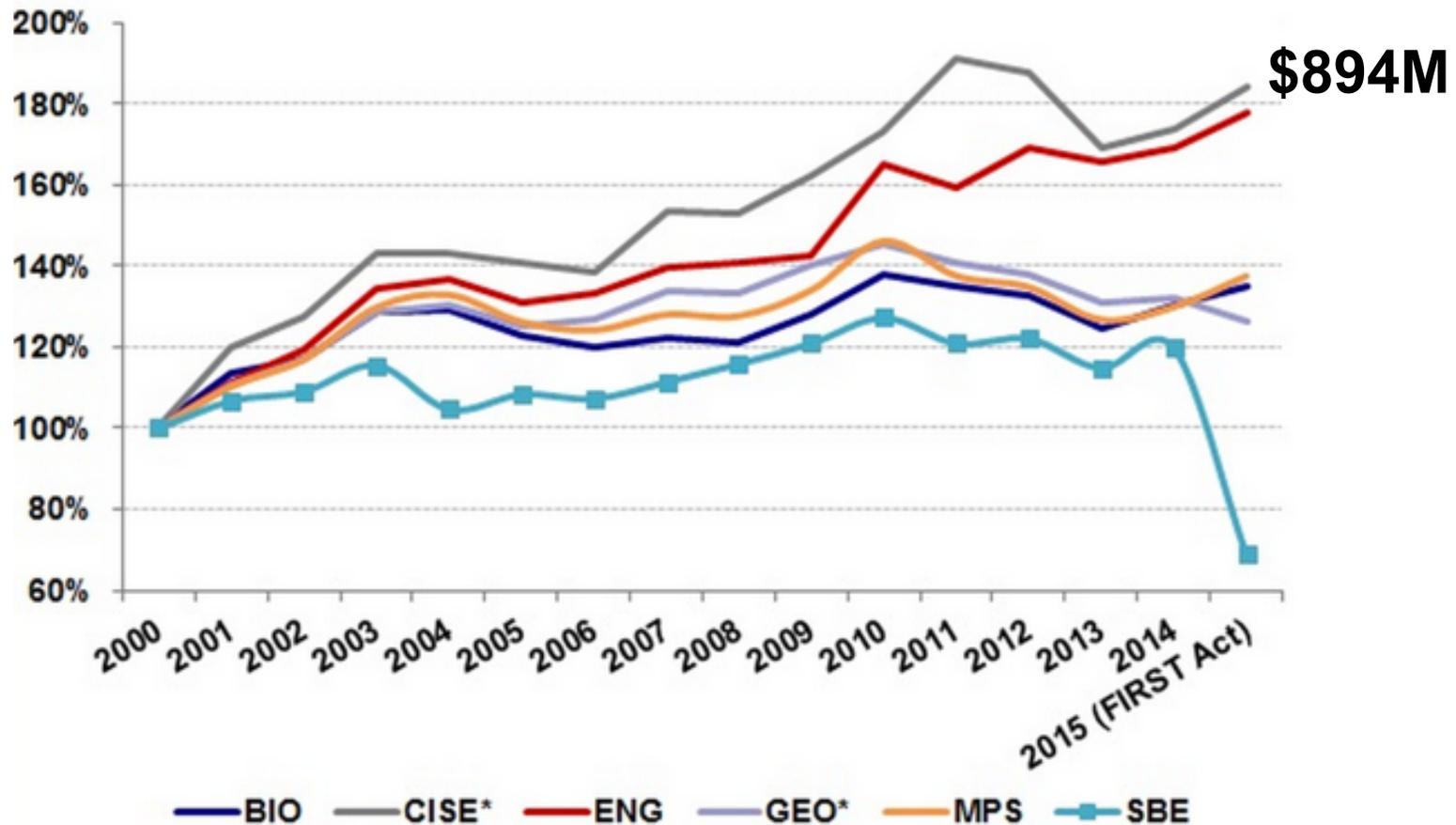
# Drivers: Industry

- IT is around 1T\$\* of US economy (itself 18T\$ GDP)
  - **Apple Inc. (Nasdaq: AAPL), (560B/30B)**
  - Exxon Mobil Corporation (NYSE: XOM),
  - **Google Inc (Nasdaq: GOOG), (358B /12B)**
  - **Microsoft Corporation (Nasdaq: MSFT), (344B/20B)**
  - Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (NYSE: BRK.B),
  - Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. (NYSE: WMT),
  - Johnson & Johnson (NYSE: JNJ),
  - General Electric Company (NYSE: GE),
  - Chevron Corporation (NYSE: CVX)
  - Wells Fargo & Co (NYSE: WFC)

\*Atkinson, R. D., & Stewart, L. A. (2013). Just the FACTS:  
The Economic Benefits of Information and Communications Technologies

# Drivers: Government Investments

**NSF Directorate Budgets and the FIRST Act**  
Percent change from FY 2000 funding levels, constant dollars



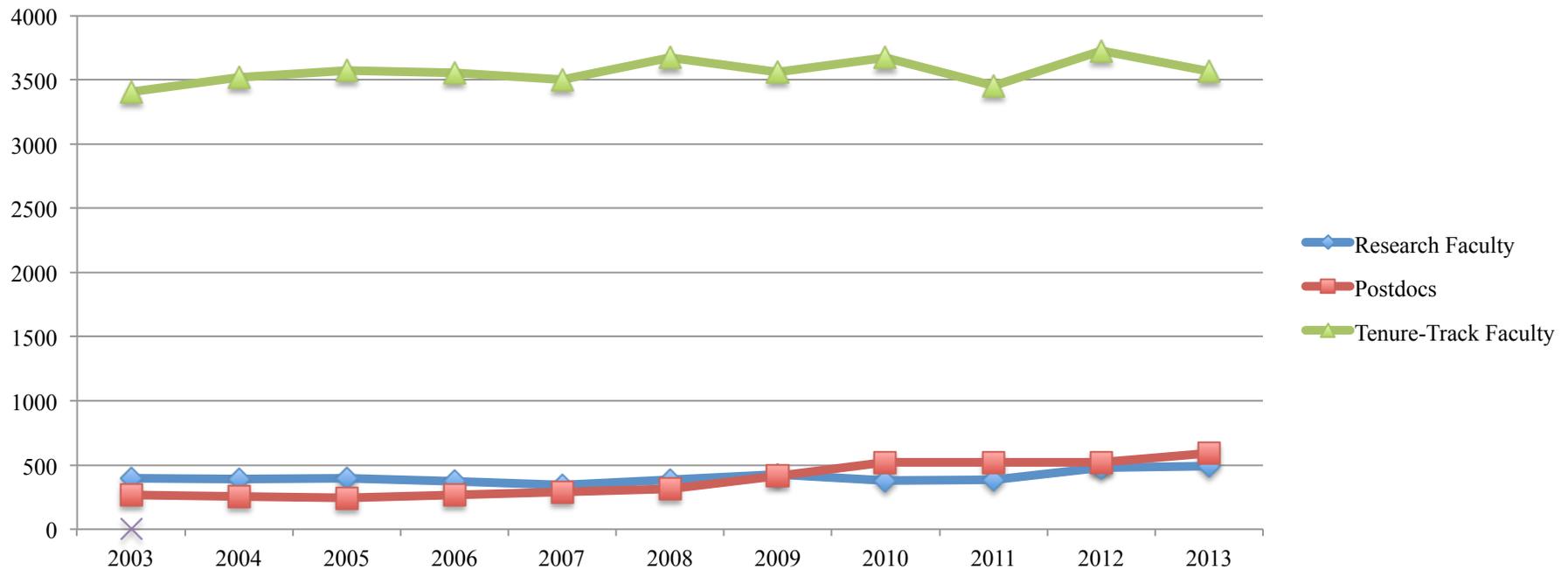
\*Adjusted for comparability. Based on historical agency data and proposed authorizations in the FIRST Act. © 2014 AAAS

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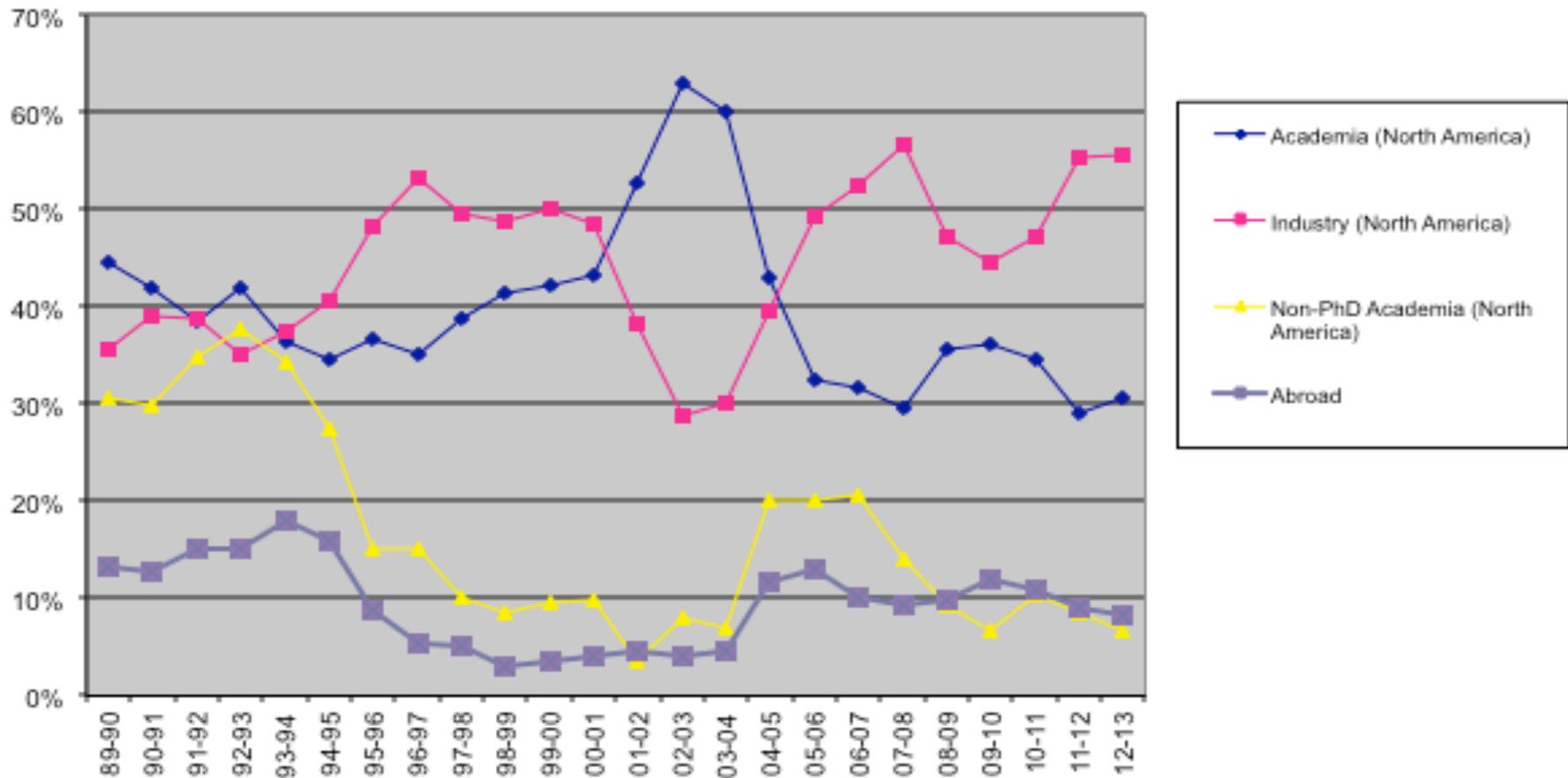
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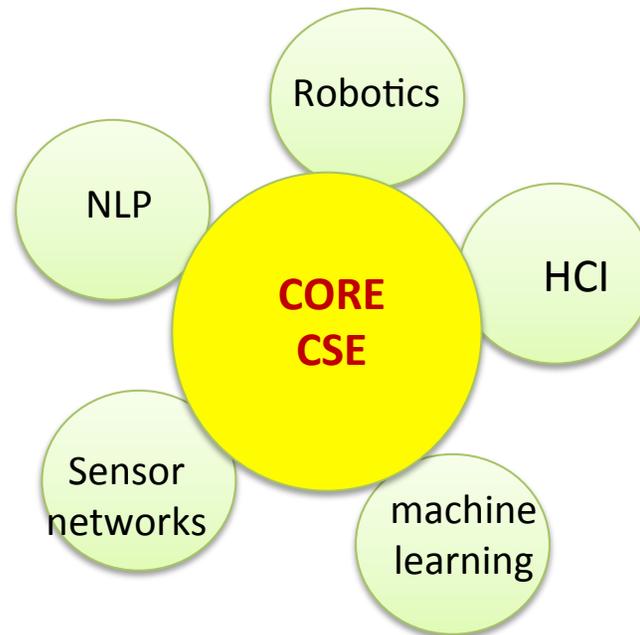


# Most PhDs Go To Industry Too ...

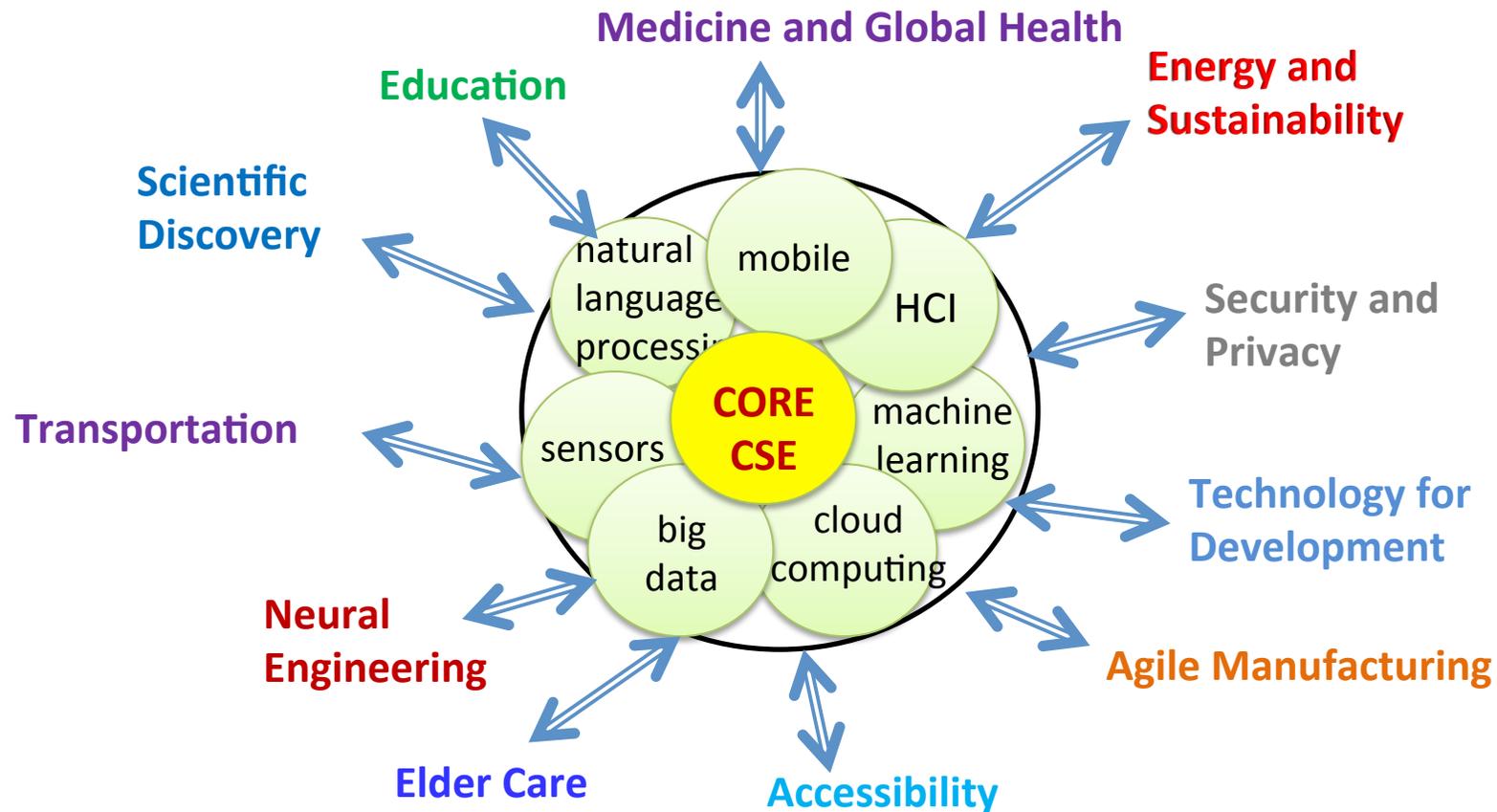
Figure D6. Employment of New Ph.D.s in U.S. and Canada  
CRA Taulbee Survey 2013



# The Way We Think of Ourselves



# The Way It Really Is



**Drivers: Industry, Society, Government, Science**

# What Is Our Future? How Do We Shape It?

Is Computing the  
future of thought  
and discourse?



Is it the beginning of the  
end of Computing as  
we know it?

# THE COMPUTING COMMUNITY CONSORTIUM: CATALYZING AND ENABLING COMPUTING RESEARCH

*Gregory Hager*  
*Chair*  
*Johns Hopkins*

*Elizabeth Mynatt*  
*Vice Chair*  
*Georgia Tech*

*Ann Drobni*  
*Director*



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# SOME MOTIVATING QUESTIONS

- How do we energize the community around “big ideas” that will create excitement and energy for computing and computational research?
- How do we shape and articulate our relevance to national priorities?
- How do we communicate these ideas, as a community, to science policy and funding leadership?



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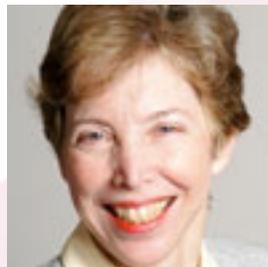
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# THE START

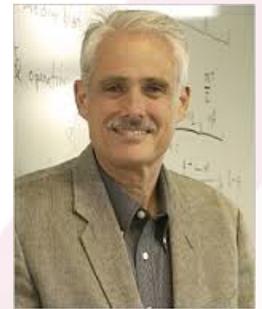
## *PIs*

- Dan Reed, PI
- Andrew Bernat
- Susan Graham
- Anita Jones
- Edward Lazowska



## *Also in the Mix*

- Randal Bryant
- Richard Karp
- Ken Kennedy
- Peter Lee
- Wim Sweldens
- Jeffrey Vitter



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- Facilitates the development of a bold, multi-themed vision for computing research – and communicates this vision to stakeholders
- Led by a broad-based Council with 3 year terms
- Staffed by CRA

# THE CCC COUNCIL – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE



- Greg Hager, Johns Hopkins Univ. (Chair)
- Beth Mynatt, Georgia Tech (Vice Chair)
- Susan Graham, UC Berkeley (Past Chair)
- Bob Sproull, formerly Sun Labs, Oracle
- Liz Bradley, University of Colorado, Boulder
- Mark Hill, University of Wisconsin, Madison
- Ann Drobnis, Director
- Andy Bernat, CRA Executive Director



\* Executive Committee  
\*\* 1 year leave



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## Terms ending June 2017

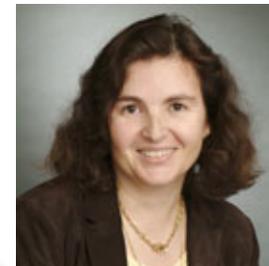
- Lorenzo Alvisi, UT Austin
- Vasant Honavar, Penn State
- Jennifer Rexford, Princeton
- Debra Richardson, UC Irvine
- Klara Nahrstedt, UIUC
- Ben Zorn, Microsoft Research

## Terms ending June 2016

- Randy Bryant, CMU\*\*
- Limor Fix, formerly Intel
- Tal Rabin, IBM
- Daniela Rus, MIT
- Ross Whitaker, Univ. Utah

## Terms ending June 2015

- Sue Davidson, Univ. Pennsylvania
- Joe Evans, Univ. Kansas
- Ran Libeskind-Hadas, Harvey Mudd College
- Shashi Shekhar, Univ. Minnesota



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# OUR MISSION

- Catalyze and communicate the excitement of computing research
- Align and articulate our contributions to other fields and to national priorities
- Communicate to policymakers, industry, government, and community at large
- Groom future leadership to help shape science policy



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# HOW DO WE DO IT?

## Community-initiated visioning:

- Workshops to discuss “out-of-the-box” ideas
- Blue Sky Ideas tracks at conferences

## Outreach to White House, funding agencies:

- Outputs of visioning activities
- Short reports to inform policy makers
- Task Forces – Health IT, Sustainability IT, Data Analytics



## Computing Research That Changed The World



This Week's Highlight:  
Fruit Fly Suggests New  
Solution to Computer  
Networking Problem

**LANDMARK CONTRIBUTIONS BY  
STUDENTS IN COMPUTER SCIENCE**  
*undergraduate and graduate students that  
have made truly game-changing contributions  
in the course of their studies*

## Communicating CS Research:

- CCC Blog [<http://cccblog.org/>]
- Computing Research in Action Video Series
- Research “Highlight of the Week”
- “The Impact of NITRD” symposium

## Nurturing the next generation of leaders:

- Computing Innovation Fellows Project
- Leadership in Science Policy Institute



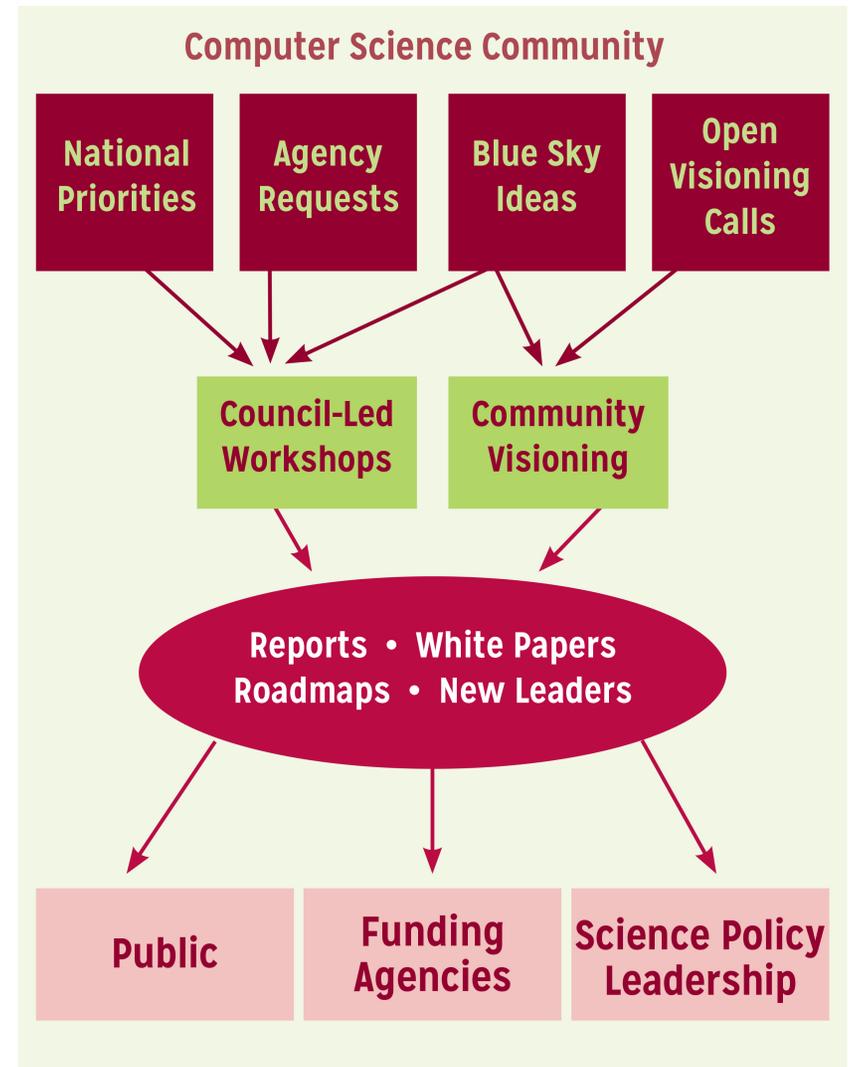
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# VISIONING GOALS

Communicate the role of CS research to stakeholders

Develop leadership capacity to help shape science policy



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# CATALYZING AND ENABLING: ROBOTICS

May 21, 2009



## A Roadmap for US Robotics From Internet to Robotics

Organized by

- Georgia Institute of Technology
- University of Southern California
- Johns Hopkins University
- University of Pennsylvania
- University of California, Berkeley
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- University of Massachusetts, Amherst
- University of Utah
- Carnegie Mellon University
- Tech Collaborative

Sponsored by



4 meetings during summer 2008

Roadmap published May 2009

*Extensive discussions between visioning leaders & agencies*

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

July 21, 2010

THE DIRECTOR

M-10-30

MEMORANDUM FOR THE HEADS OF EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES

FROM: Peter R. Oszar, Director, Office of Management and Budget  
John P. Holdren, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy

Science and Technology Priorities for the FY 2012 Budget

Science discovery, technological breakthroughs, and innovation are major engines for expanding the frontiers of human knowledge and are indispensable for promoting sustainable economic growth, improving the health of the population, moving toward a clean energy future, addressing global climate change challenges, managing competing demands on the environment, and safeguarding our national security.

This memorandum follows up on OMB Memorandum M-10-19 by outlining the Administration's science and technology (S&T) priorities for formulating FY 2012 Budget submissions to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). These priorities for research and development (R&D) investments and other S&T investments build on priorities already reflected in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act, the FY 2010 and 2011 Budgets, and key Administration policy guidance such as the President's *Strategy for American Innovation*. This memorandum also provides program guidance for S&T activities in Executive Departments and Agencies.

Prioritizing key S&T activities

OSTP issues directive to all agencies in summer 2010 to include robotics in FY 12 budgets

Henrik Chistensen  
Georgia Tech

Office of Science and Technology Policy

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## Developing the Next Generation of Robots

Posted by Tom Kall and Sridhar Kota on June 24, 2011 at 10:14 AM EDT

... at Carnegie Mellon University, President Obama is launching the *Advanced Manufacturing Partnership* research initiative that will promote a renaissance of American manufacturing.

One existing element of the President's Advanced Manufacturing Partnership is the *National Robotics Initiative*. Robots are working for us every day, in countless ways. At home, at work, and on the battlefield, they are increasingly lifting the burdens of tasks that are dull, dirty, or dangerous.

But they could do even more, and that's what the National Robotics Initiative is all about. So today, the National Science Foundation, the National Institutes of Health, NASA, and the United States Department of Agriculture are issuing a joint solicitation that will provide up to \$70 million in research funding for next-generation robotics.

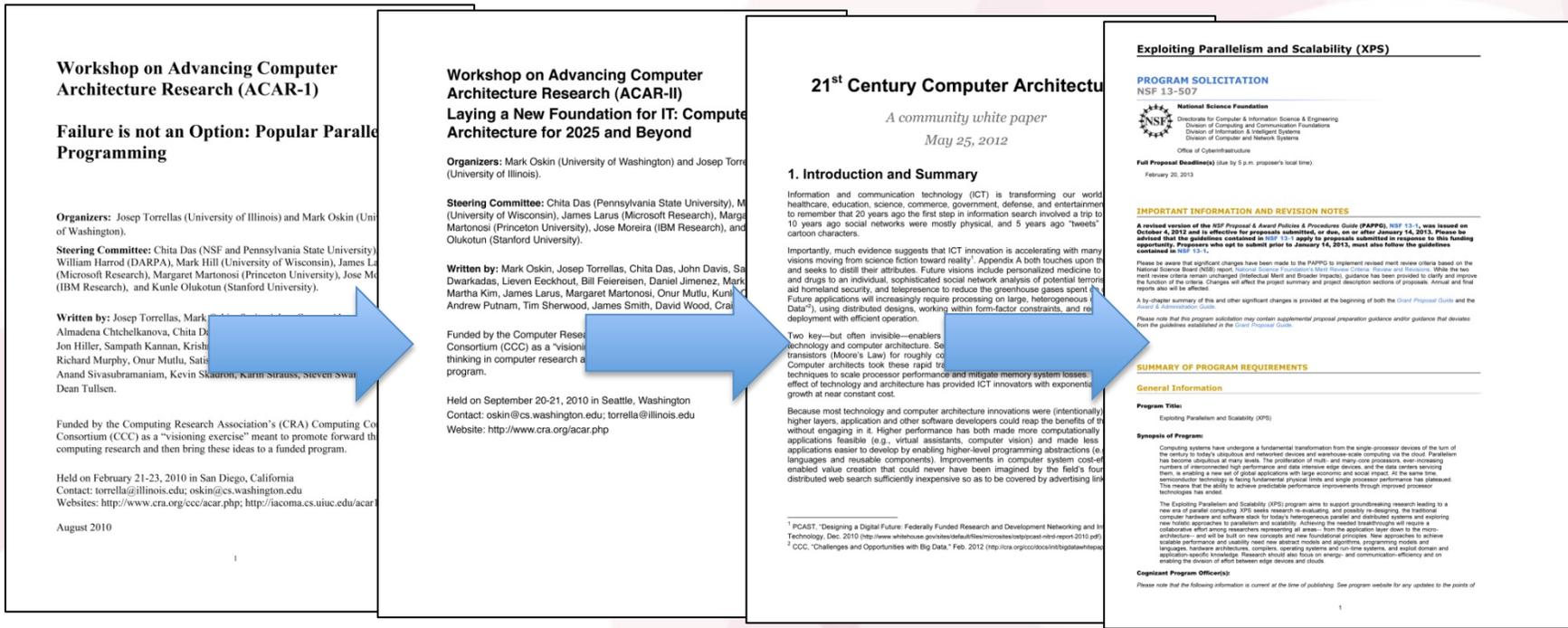
The focus of this initiative is on developing robots that work with or beside people to extend their capabilities, taking advantage of the different strengths of humans and robots. In addition to the technology needed for next-generation robotics, the initiative will support applications such as

National Robotics Initiative announced in summer 2011





# CATALYZING AND ENABLING: ARCHITECTURE



2010

2010

2012

2013



Josep Torrellas  
UIUC



Mark Oskin  
Washington



Mark Hill  
Wisconsin

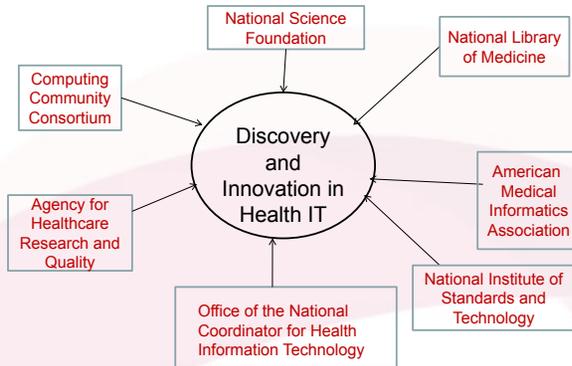


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# CATALYZING AND ENABLING: HEALTH IT

## October 2009 Workshop



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WHERE DISCOVERIES BEGIN

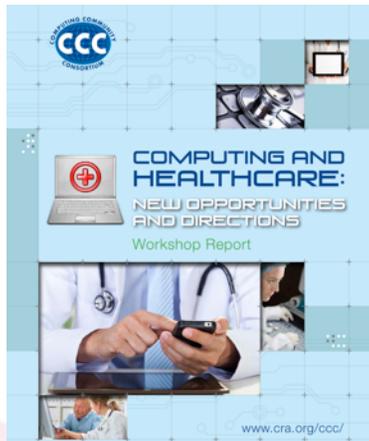
Directorate for Computer & Information Science & Engineering

### SMART HEALTH AND WELLBEING (SHW)

#### CONTACTS

See program guidelines for contact information.

#### SYNOPSIS



### Smart and Connected Health (SCH)

**PROGRAM SOLICITATION**  
NSF 13-543

**REPLACES DOCUMENT(S):**  
NSF 12-512



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National Institutes of Health

## October 2012 Workshop



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# SOME RECENT AND UPCOMING EVENTS

- Aging in Place (with NIH)
- Uncertainty in Computation (Community driven)
- BRAIN (with CISE) ←————→
- Privacy by Design (Community driven)
- CS Visions 2025 (with CISE AC)



Thanks Stefan!

YOUR

Workshop

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# BLUE SKY IDEAS CONFERENCE TRACKS

- Special “Blue Sky Ideas” tracks at leading conferences
  - Reach beyond usual papers
- CCC provides prize money for top 3 papers
  - Papers should be:
    - open-ended
    - “outrageous” or “wacky”
    - Present new problems, new application domains or new methodologies
    - Relatively short (4-6 pages)
    - Published after the conference



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# BLUE SKY IDEAS CONFERENCE TRACKS

- BuildSys 2012
- Computational Sustainability Track @ AAI 2013
- Computational Sustainability Award @ CHI 2013
- Robotics: Science and Systems 2013
- Conference on Innovation Data Systems Research (CIDR-2013)
- Autonomous Agents and MultiAgent Systems (AAMAS-2014)
- Upcoming:
  - Foundations of Software Engineering 2014
  - Association for the Advancement of Artificial Intelligence 2015
  - SIGSPATIAL 2015



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# COMMUNICATING: LEADERSHIP IN SCIENCE POLICY INSTITUTE



## CCC Leadership in Science Policy Institute



### Agenda

8:30 am - 9:00 am

**Welcome [180 KB PDF]** [Referenced videos - [Lazowska](#) | [Bartlett](#) | [Brooks](#)] (Fred Schneider, Cornell, Workshop Chair)

Lay out the goals of the workshop: to provide a crash-course in relevant science policy issues and the mechanics of policymaking, including a sense of how federal science policy is crafted, how it's implemented, and where are the opportunities for members of the community to participate in the policy-making process.

9:00 am - 10:30 am

**Interacting with Agencies/Creating New Initiatives** ([Jeannette Wing, CMU \[434 KB PDF\]](#); [Milt Corn, NIH \[242 KB PDF\]](#); Henry Kelly, DOE)

The agencies are where the science-policy rubber hits the road, where decisions made in both the Administrative and Legislative branches get implemented, and the most common avenue for individuals in the science community to interact with the federal government. Influencing policy decisions at the agency level can require a somewhat different skill set and somewhat different approach than influencing your faculty peers, the Congress, or the White House. Agencies also provide opportunities for individuals in the community to directly shape federal policy in their field, by serving on an agency advisory committee, or by taking a rotation as a program manager, division director, or office director. This session will cover the agency budget process and will discuss opportunities for scientists to advise and engage federal science agencies like NSF, DOE, and NIH. The speakers will discuss the mechanics of how agency new initiatives get started, focusing on the culture and traditions that constitute the lens through which agencies view themselves and are viewed by others. In practical terms, how is success measured? To what extent is outside advice sought and in support of what kinds of activities? What kinds of advice and modes of engagement are unlikely to be effective?

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### Logistics

**Date:** November 7, 2011

**Location:** Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill, Washington, DC

Participation in the workshop will include breakfast and lunch at the workshop, as well as a reception with workshop speakers and other interested guests at the conclusion of the meeting. Hotel accommodations for two nights (before and after the workshop) as well as reimbursement for airfare and other travel expenses will be provided by the workshop (through funding from CCC).

### Agenda

[List of Sessions and Speakers and Slides](#)



Milt Corn, NIH



Henry Kelly, DoE



Attendees

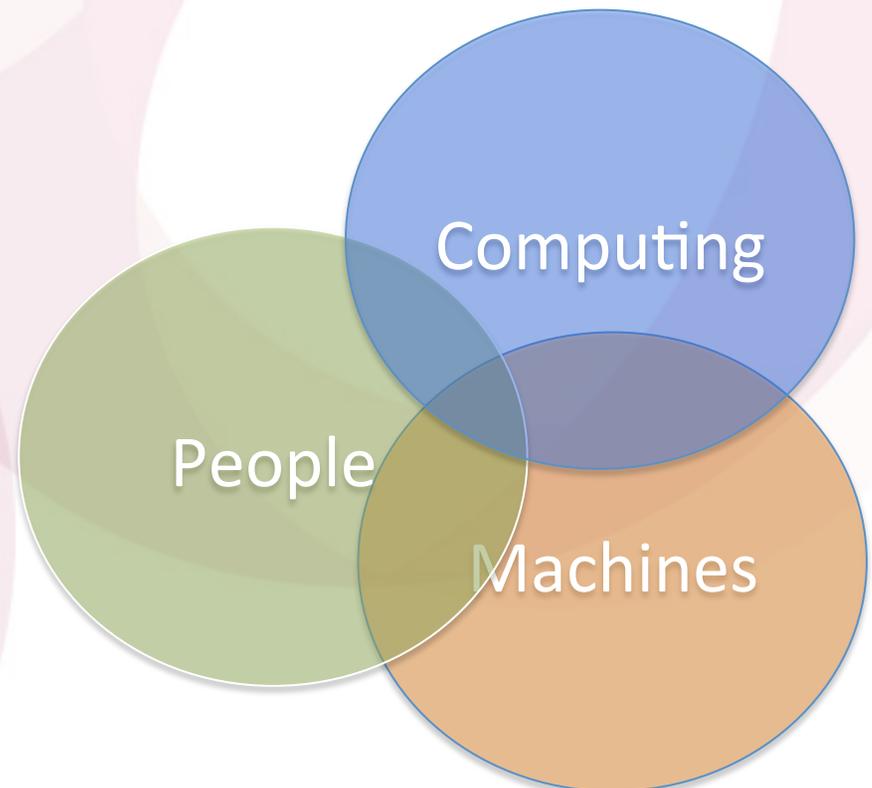
# #3 coming 4/15!



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# SOME CURRENT THEMES

- Computing and the Physical World
- What are the underlying CS research questions that will enable new generations of smart systems that move, manipulate, and control our environment?



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# SOME CURRENT THEMES

- Industry
  - What are interaction modes with industry?
  - How do they benefit both sides?
  - What are the growth barriers/opportunities?

## Drivers: Industry

- IT is around 1T\$\* of US economy (itself 18T\$ GDP)
  - **Apple Inc. (Nasdaq: AAPL), (560B/30B)**
  - Exxon Mobil Corporation (NYSE: XOM),
  - **Google Inc (Nasdaq: GOOG), (358B /12B)**
  - **Microsoft Corporation (Nasdaq: MSFT), (344B/20B)**
  - Berkshire Hathaway Inc. (NYSE: BRK.B),
  - Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. (NYSE: WMT),
  - Johnson & Johnson (NYSE: JNJ),
  - General Electric Company (NYSE: GE),
  - Chevron Corporation (NYSE: CVX)
  - Wells Fargo & Co (NYSE: WFC)



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# SOME CURRENT THEMES

- Cyber-infrastructure
  - Next generation HPC and relationship to data intensive computing
  - Production, transport, analysis, and visualization
- Manufacturing
  - Agile manufacturing = smart devices, networks, and software
  - 3D printing = smart devices, networks, and software
  - How do we engage the CS community

# SOME CURRENT THEMES

- Education
  - What are ways that CS can help create a highly trained workforce?
  - What are the CS research questions that will enable that future?
- Healthcare
  - How do we continue to bring CS into the conversations around major healthcare initiatives?

# WRAP-UP

- It is a great time to be in CS!
- We have to keep our eyes to the forefront of research
- We have to frame our ideas in a way that communicates the excitement and impact of computing research
- Subscribe to the Blog!
- Participate in LiSPI (April 2015)
- Propose a workshop or conference track
- We need your ideas!



**WE NEED YOU**



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# SOME CCC VISIONING ACTIVITIES

Extreme Scale Design Automation

Sustainability & IT

Financial Cyberinfrastructure

Computing and Healthcare

Privacy R&D

Online Education

Spatial Computing

Big Data Computing

ROBOTICS

Cyber-physical systems

Disaster Management

Free & Open Source Software

Human Computation

Learning Technologies

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Uncertainty in Computation



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