

The Computing Community Consortium Catalyzing and Enabling Computing Research

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An Overview of the Computing Community Consortium

- A standing committee of the Computing Research Association founded in 2006
- Funded by NSF under a Cooperative Agreement
- Facilitates the development of a bold, multi-themed vision for computing research - and communicates this vision to stakeholders
- Led by a broad-based Council
- Chaired by Susan Graham
- Staffed by CRA



Our Mission

The mission of Computing Research Association's (CRA)
Computing Community Consortium (CCC)
is to **catalyze** the computing research community and
enable the pursuit of innovative, high-impact research.

CCC conducts activities that
strengthen the research community,
articulate compelling **research visions**, and
align those visions with pressing **national and global challenges**.

CCC **communicates** the importance of those visions to **policymakers**,
government and **industry stakeholders**, the **public**, and the **research community** itself.

The CCC Council

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- Susan Graham, UC Berkeley (Chair)
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- Kenneth Hines, Program Associate
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- Elizabeth Mynatt, Georgia Tech
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- Fred Schneider, Cornell
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- Josep Torrellas, Univ. Illinois

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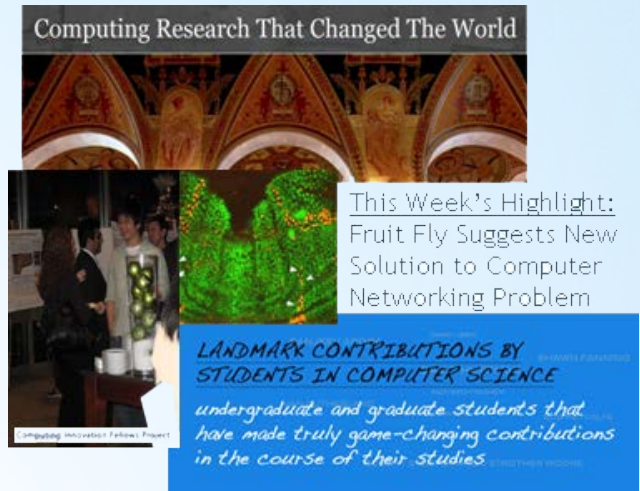
Frans Kaashoek, MIT
Dave Kaeli, Northeastern
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Peter Lee, Carnegie Mellon

What Distinguishes CCC?

- **Proactive, rapid response**
 - Identify, plan, and execute in a matter of weeks to months
- **Community-based**
 - Find and foster ideas from germination to fruition and beyond
- **Leadership incubator**
 - Everyone must do something!

A Multitude of Activities

- **Community-initiated visioning:**
 - Workshops to discuss “out-of-the-box” ideas
 - Challenges & Visions tracks at conferences
- **Outreach to the White House, Federal funding agencies:**
 - Outputs of visioning activities
 - Short reports to inform policy makers
 - Task Forces - Health IT, Sustainability IT, Data Analytics



- **Public relations efforts:**
 - Library of Congress symposia
 - Research “Highlight of the Week”
 - CCC Blog [<http://cccblog.org/>]
- **Nurturing the next generation of leaders:**
 - Computing Innovation Fellows Project
 - “Landmark Contributions by Students”
 - Leadership in Science Policy Institute

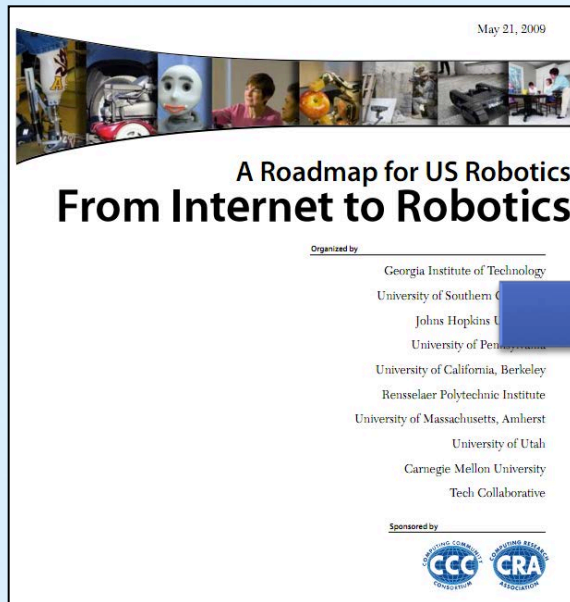
Catalyzing: Visioning exercises

Community visioning activities	Participants	Organizations	Status
Network science & engineering	109	44	completed
“Big Data” Computing	81	46	multi-agency initiative launched
Theoretical computer science	39	26	completed
Global development (ICT4D)	56	37	completed
Cyber-physical systems	100	47	multi-agency initiative launched
Free & open source software	45	35	completed
Learning technologies	55	30	following up
Robotics	141	79	multi-agency initiative launched
Cross-layer reliability	121	45	DARPA program launched
Advancing computer architecture	38	25	NSF program launched
Interactive technologies	74	42	completed
Health information technology	121	102	multiple programs launched

Catalyzing: Visioning exercises

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Sustainability & IT	72	43	NSF program launched
Global Development	50		completed
Disaster Management	57	31	completed
Spatial Computing	73	47	following up
Computing and Healthcare	97	57	multi-agency initiative launched
Software Assurance and Trustworthy Semiconductor Design and Manufacture	58	37	completed
Multidisciplinary Research for Online Education	82	41	following up
Privacy R&D	39	31	completed
Extreme Scale Design Automation	23*	14*	In progress
Financial Cyberinfrastructure	28	14	Multi-initiative launched
Mid-Scale Infrastructure Investments for Computing Research	24	18	NSF program launched

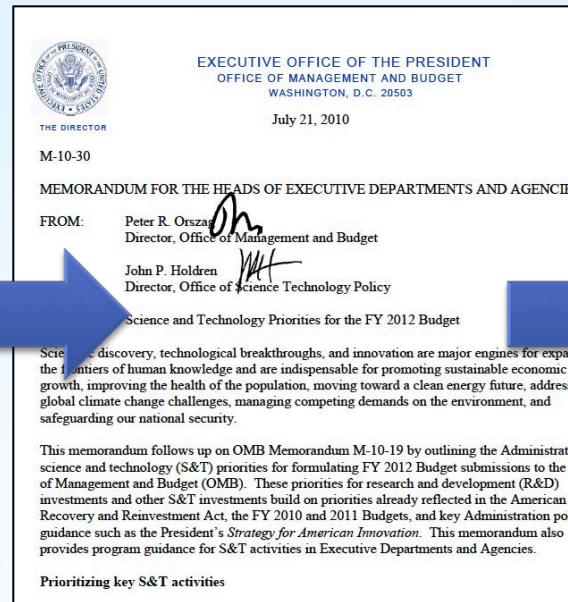
Catalyzing and Enabling: Robotics



4 meetings during
summer 2008

Roadmap published
May 2009

*Extensive discussions
between visioning
leaders & agencies*



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



National Robotics
Initiative announced
in summer 2011

Henrik Chistensen
Georgia Tech



Catalyzing and Enabling: Big Data

Big-Data Computing: C breakthroughs in commerce

Randal E. Bryant
Carnegie Mellon University

Randy H. Katz
University of California, Berkeley

Version 8: December 2008

Motivation: Our Data-Driven World

Advances in digital sensors, communications, and collections of data, capturing information of value to society. For example, search engine companies created an entirely new business by capturing the Wide Web and providing it to people in useful bytes of data every day and continually add new directions, and image retrieval. The societal benefit having transformed how people find and make use of data.

Just as search engines have transformed how we use data computing can and will transform the active medical practitioners, and our nation's defense include:

- Wal-Mart recently contracted with Hewlett-Packard capable of storing 4 petabytes (4000 trillion bytes of data every day and continually add new directions, and image retrieval. The societal benefit having transformed how people find and make use of data.
- Many scientific disciplines have become data-intensive. The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) will scan the sky from a million bytes of image data every day – a data volume of 15 petabytes (15 million bytes) per day. Astronomers will apply massive data sets to the origins of our universe. The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) will scan the sky from a million bytes of image data every day – a data volume of 15 petabytes (15 million bytes) per day. Astronomers will apply massive data sets to the origins of our universe. The Large Hadron Collider (LHC) will scan the sky from a million bytes of image data every day – a data volume of 15 petabytes (15 million bytes) per day. Astronomers will apply massive data sets to the origins of our universe.

¹ For the most current version of this essay, as well as related work, see the Big Data Computing Study Group website.

Computing Community Consortium (CCC)

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Spatial Computing Disaster Management SEES IT Learning Tech Open Source Cyber Physical Systems

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Big-Data Computing Study Group

Under sponsorship by the CCC, the Big-Data Study Group will explore for research and applications of high-performance, data-intensive computing. The group's first meeting, a two-day workshop on "Big-Data Computing: From Data to Knowledge to Action," was held in March, 2009.

One Paper: [Establishing a Big-Data Computing Study Group](#) - [72 KB PDF]

Leads for this workshop and Lead for effort: Randy Bryant (CMU) and Thomas Kwan (Yahoo!)

CCC Council liaison for this workshop and effort: Ed Lazowska (University of Washington)

Hadoop Summit: [3/25/09, Sunnyvale, CA] | [Speaker List](#)

Hadoop is an open source project developing software that enable computing on cluster-based systems. It includes a distributed file system programming support for MapReduce, a data-parallel notation for element-wise and aggregating operations on collections of data.

Data-Intensive Computing Symposium: [3/25/09, Sunnyvale, CA] | [Speaker List](#)

This symposium covered a broad range of topics, with presentations by academic leaders on all aspects of data-intensive computing, including programming, algorithms, data management, and both scientific and commercial applications.

Participants: Benjie Acs (NCSA), Eugene Agichtein (Emory), William Arns (Cornell), (Yahoo!), Roger Barga (Microsoft), Chaitin Baro (SDSC), Sugato Basu (SLAC), Emory Berger (UMass-Amherst), Fran Berman (SDSC), Christ Andrei Broder (Yahoo!), Randy Bryant (CMU), Jamie Callan (CMU), An-Chuan Clarke (Waterloo), Andrew Connolly (Washington), Gene Cozzie (Google), Tina Elmasri (LLNL), Christos Faloutsos (CMU), Ian Foster (Argonne), Jim French (NSF), Dennis Gannon (Indiana), Phil Gilman (CMU), Ian Gordon (Pacific NW National Lab), Robert Grossman (UM-BC), Jeff Hammerbacher (Facebook), Zawei Han (UIUC), S. Hellerstein (Berkeley), Haym Hirsh (NSF/Rutgers), Chensi Hu (Central Virginia), Richard Karp (Berkeley), Randy Katz (Berkeley), You-Abi Li (Yahoo!), Jon Kleinberg (Cornell), Ed Lazowska (UWashington), Michael Xiaoshou Li (HP Labs), Xavier Llorca (NCSA), Qi Lu (Yahoo!), Chris Mani (Microsoft), Neil Mehta (Intel), Mani Rajkumar (Microsoft), Pittsburgh Supercomputing, Dave O'Hallaron (Intel/CMU), Chris Olariu (Stanford), Patrick Patel (Yahoo!), Sarav Parashar (Huron Indiana), Prabhakar Raghavan (Yahoo!), Raghu Ramakrishnan (Yahoo! SUNY Buffalo), Dan Reed (Microsoft), Anne Rogers (Chicago), Michael A. Shoshitaishvili (Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory), Padhraic Smyth (UC Berkeley), Ravi Sundaram (Northeastern), Alex Szalay (CMU), Douglas Thompson (Dartmouth), Andrew Tomkins (Yahoo!), Cristian Ungureanu (CMU), Dan Weld (UWashington), John Wilkos (HP), Jeanette W. Wilkos (HP), Ke-Thu Yao (UIUC), Hongyan Zhu (GeorgiaTech), Chengzhi Zhang (UC Santa Cruz)

A Series on Data Analytics: From Data to Knowledge to Action

From Data to Knowledge to Action: A Global Enabler for the 21st Century
Eric Horvitz, Microsoft Research and Tom Mitchell, Carnegie Mellon University

Enabling Evidence-Based Healthcare [PDF | Word]
Eric Horvitz, Microsoft Research

Enabling an Initiative in "New Biology" [PDF | Word]
Chase Hensel, Computing Research Association and Erwin P. Chao

Enabling 21st Century Discovery in Science and Engineering
Randal E. Bryant, Carnegie Mellon University and Ed Lazowska, University of Washington

Enabling Advanced Intelligence and Decision-Making for Air and Space
Randal E. Bryant, Carnegie Mellon University, Jaime G. Carbonell, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and Tom Mitchell, Carnegie Mellon University

Enabling a Revolution in New Transportation [PDF | Word]
Sebastian Thrun, Stanford University, Chase Hensel, Computing Research Association

Enabling Personalized Education [PDF | Word]
Beverly Park Woolf, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, Rya W. Yeh, Computing Research Association

Enabling the Smart Grid [PDF | Word]
Randal E. Bryant, Carnegie Mellon University, Randy H. Katz, University of California, Berkeley, and Erwin P. Chao, Computing Research Association

Challenges and Opportunities with Big Data [PDF]
A community white paper developed by leading researchers at the Big Data Computing Study Group

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OBAMA ADMINISTRATION UNVEILS "BIG DATA" INITIATIVE: ANNOUNCES \$200 MILLION IN NEW R&D INVESTMENTS

Aiming to make the most of the fast-growing volume of digital data, the Obama Administration today announced a "Big Data Research and Development Initiative." By improving our ability to extract knowledge and insights from large and complex collections of digital data, the initiative promises to help solve some of the Nation's most pressing challenges.

To launch the initiative, six Federal departments and agencies today announced more than \$200 million in new commitments that, together, promise to greatly improve the tools and techniques needed to access, organize, and glean discoveries from huge volumes of digital data.

"In the same way that past Federal investments in information-technology R&D led to dramatic advances in supercomputing and the creation of the Internet, the initiative we are launching today promises to transform our ability to use Big Data for scientific discovery, environmental and biomedical research, education, and national security," said Dr. John P. Holdren, Assistant to the President and Director of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy.

To make the most of this opportunity, the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP)—in concert with several Federal departments and agencies—created the Big Data Research and Development Initiative to:

- Advance state-of-the-art core technologies needed to collect, store, preserve, manage, analyze, and share huge quantities of data.
- Harness these technologies to accelerate the pace of discovery in science and engineering, strengthen our national security, and transform teaching and learning; and
- Expand the workforce needed to develop and use Big Data technologies.

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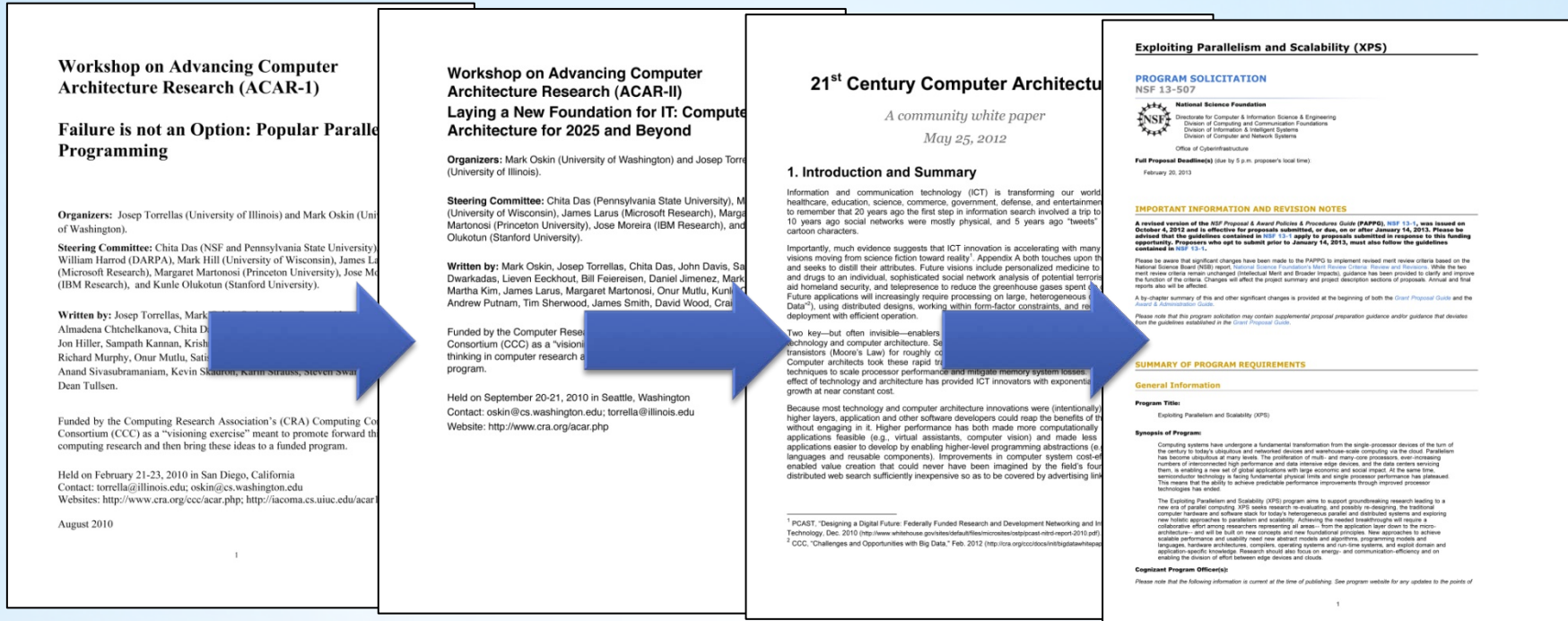
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Catalyzing and Enabling: Architecture



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2010

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Josep Torrellas
UIUC



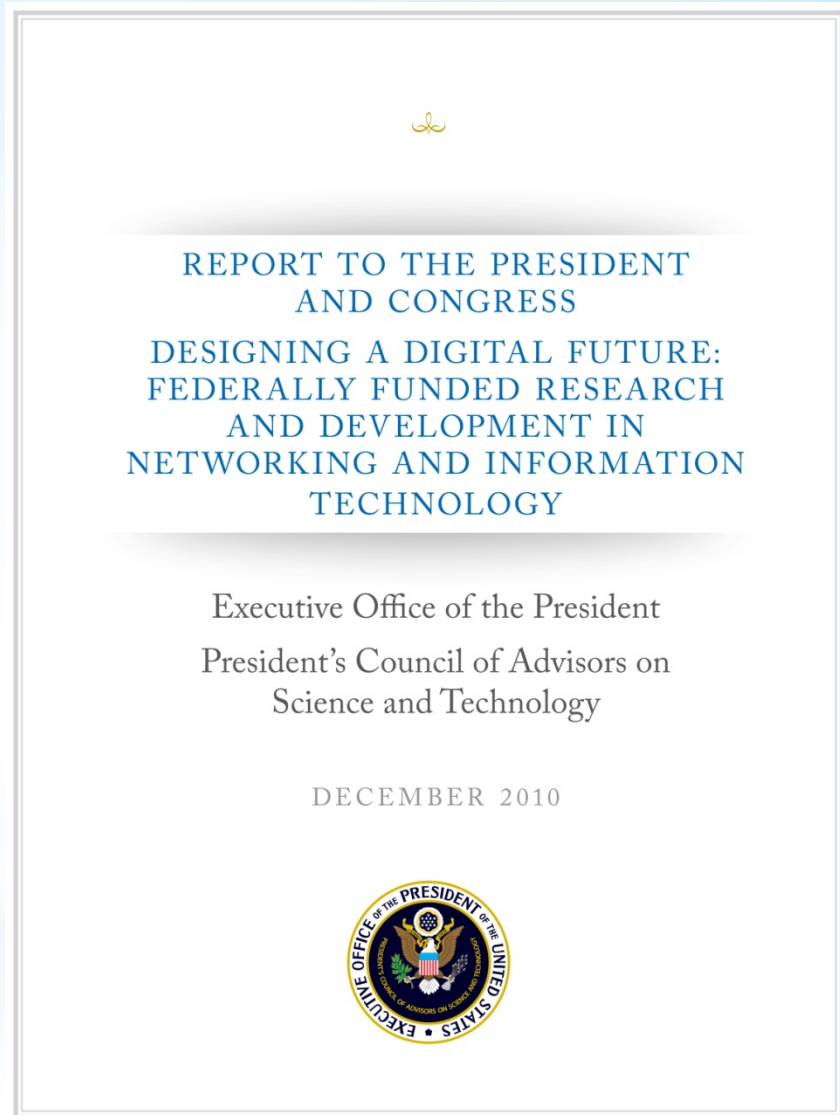
Mark Oskin
Washington



Mark Hill
Wisconsin

Communicating: PCAST NITRD Report

- 1/3 of the PCAST NITRD Working Group members were CCC Council members
- The report drew extensively on CCC White Papers
- An excellent roadmap for the field
- The challenge now: continuing to translate it into action



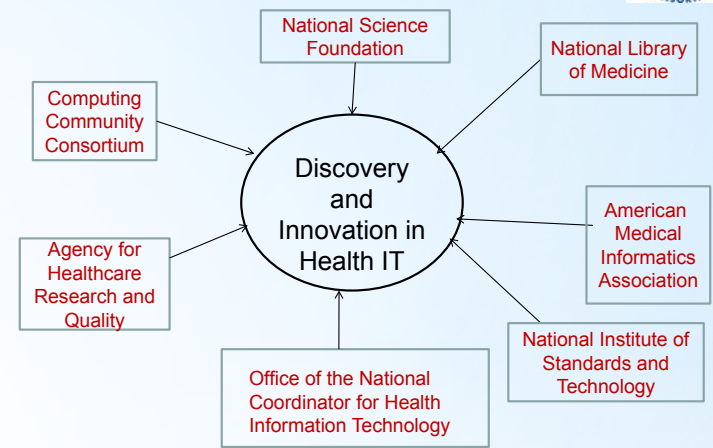
The PCAST report

- Health information technology
 - “Go well beyond the current national program to adopt electronic health records”
 - “Make possible comprehensive lifelong multi-source health records for individuals; enable both professionals and the public to obtain and act on health knowledge from diverse and varied sources as part of an interoperable health IT ecosystem; and provide appropriate information, tools, and assistive technologies that empower individuals to take charge of their own health and reduce costs.”

National Challenges: Healthcare

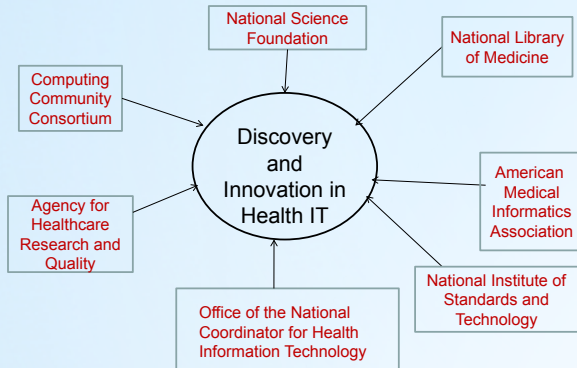
- Identify research challenges and opportunities
- Connect researchers, practitioners, industry
- Identify proof-of-concept models to drive research and translation

October 2009 Workshop



National Challenges: Healthcare

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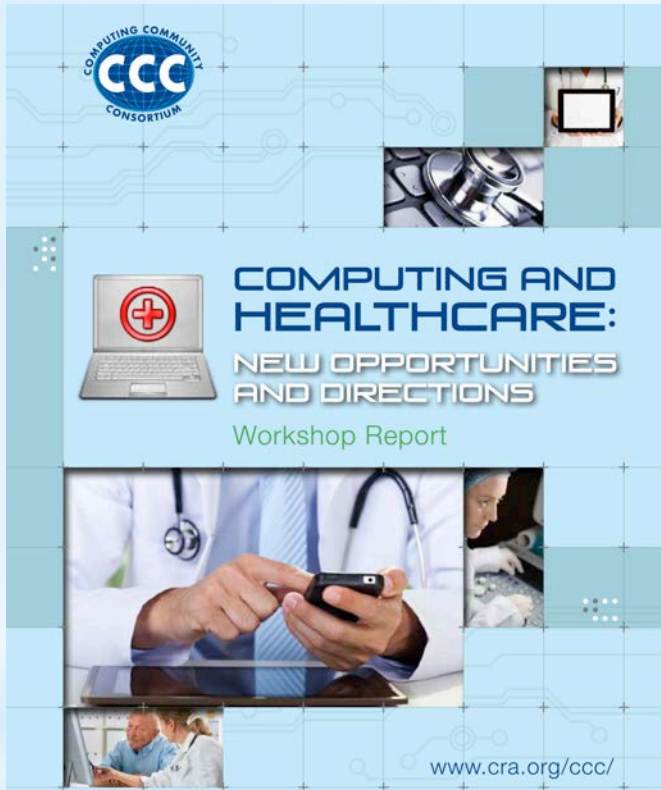
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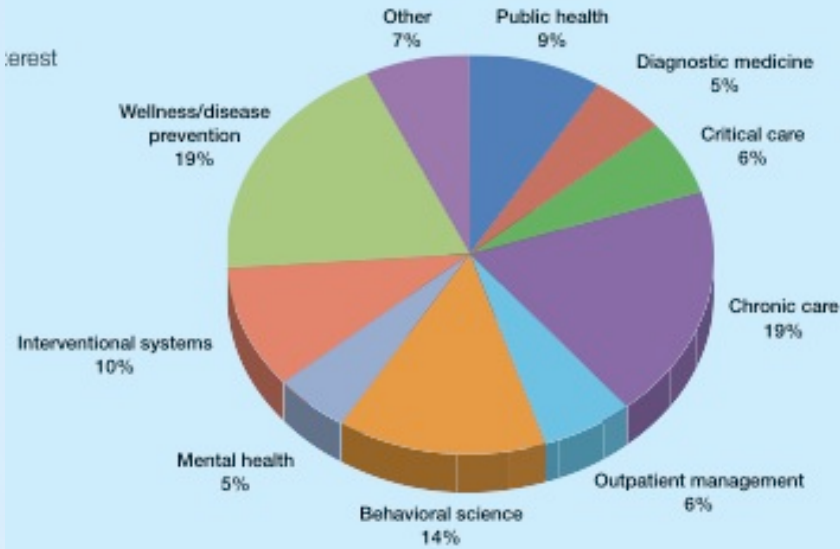
National Challenges: Healthcare



Beth Mynatt, Greg Hager
Susan Graham, Eric Horvitz
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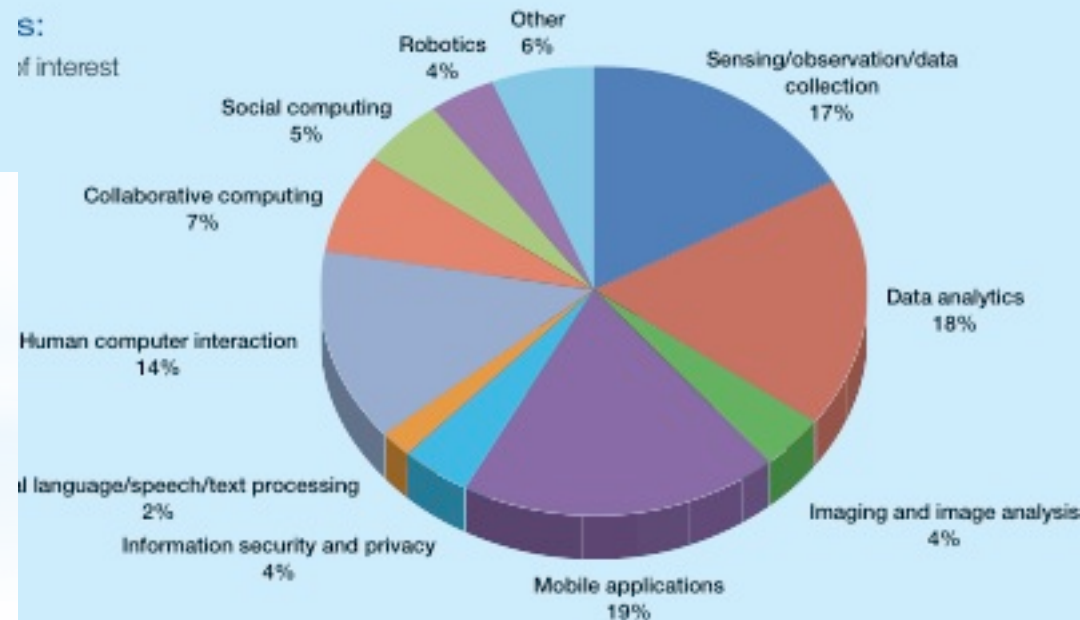
A Broad Conversation



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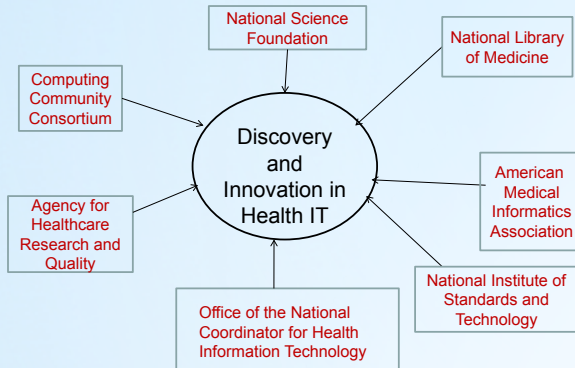
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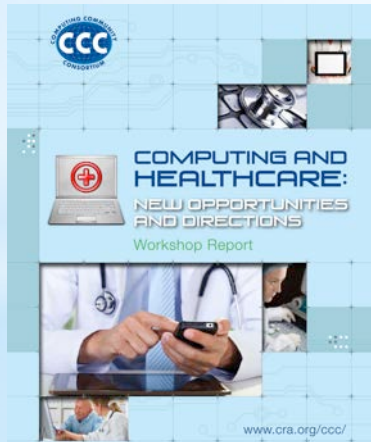
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PROGRAM SOLICITATION

NSF 13-543

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- Energy and transportation
 - “dynamic power management broadly; interoperable standards for real-time control; low-power systems and devices; and improved surface and air transportation.”

Computational Sustainability

- Workshop with 60+ computer scientists, systems engineers, social scientists, “sustainability scientists”
- Produced a report summarizing key research questions and directions
- NSF has announced several FY 2012 solicitations as part of its SEES initiative



- Big Data
 - Temporal & geographic
 - Very large, heterogeneous (graphical structures, sampled measurements, images, extensive notes/comments, social network data, etc.)
 - (Meta)data provenance, federation, curation, visualization, analytics, archiving
- Common infrastructure
- Privacy & security
 - Aggregations of personal data
 - Targeting feedback systems
- Quality & transparency of models
- Understanding human needs, encouraging behavior changes

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Special tracks at AAAI, ACM SIGDEV, CHI, ICML, and Pervasive, with CCC “Best Paper” awards

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Communicating: NITRD Symposium (2/16/2012)

The Impact of **NITRD**



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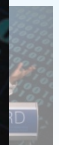
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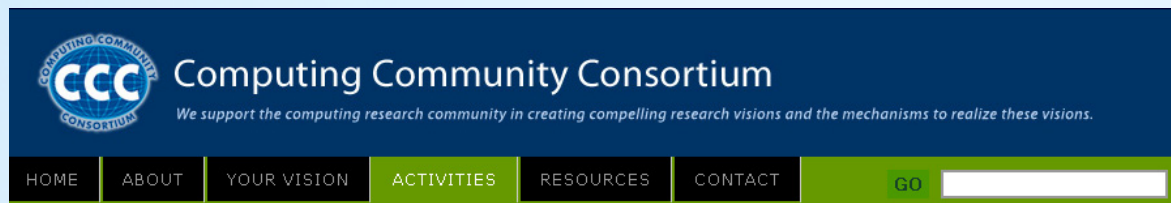
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Communicating: Leadership in Science Policy Inst.(November 2011, April 2013)



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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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

Public outreach: CCC Blog



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"Improving Brain-Computer Interfaces"

October 17th, 2011 by [Erwin Gianchandani](#) | [Edit this entry](#) 0 Comments and 3 Reactions


A [Science Nation](#) story published today describes a public-private partnership funded in part by the [National Science Foundation \(NSF\)](#) that is attempting to link mind and machine to ultimately improve the living conditions of those with "locked-in syndrome" — a malady in which people with normal cognitive brain activity suffer severe paralysis, often from injuries or an illness such as Lou Gehrig's disease.



From the [Science Nation](#) article (see a video after the jump):


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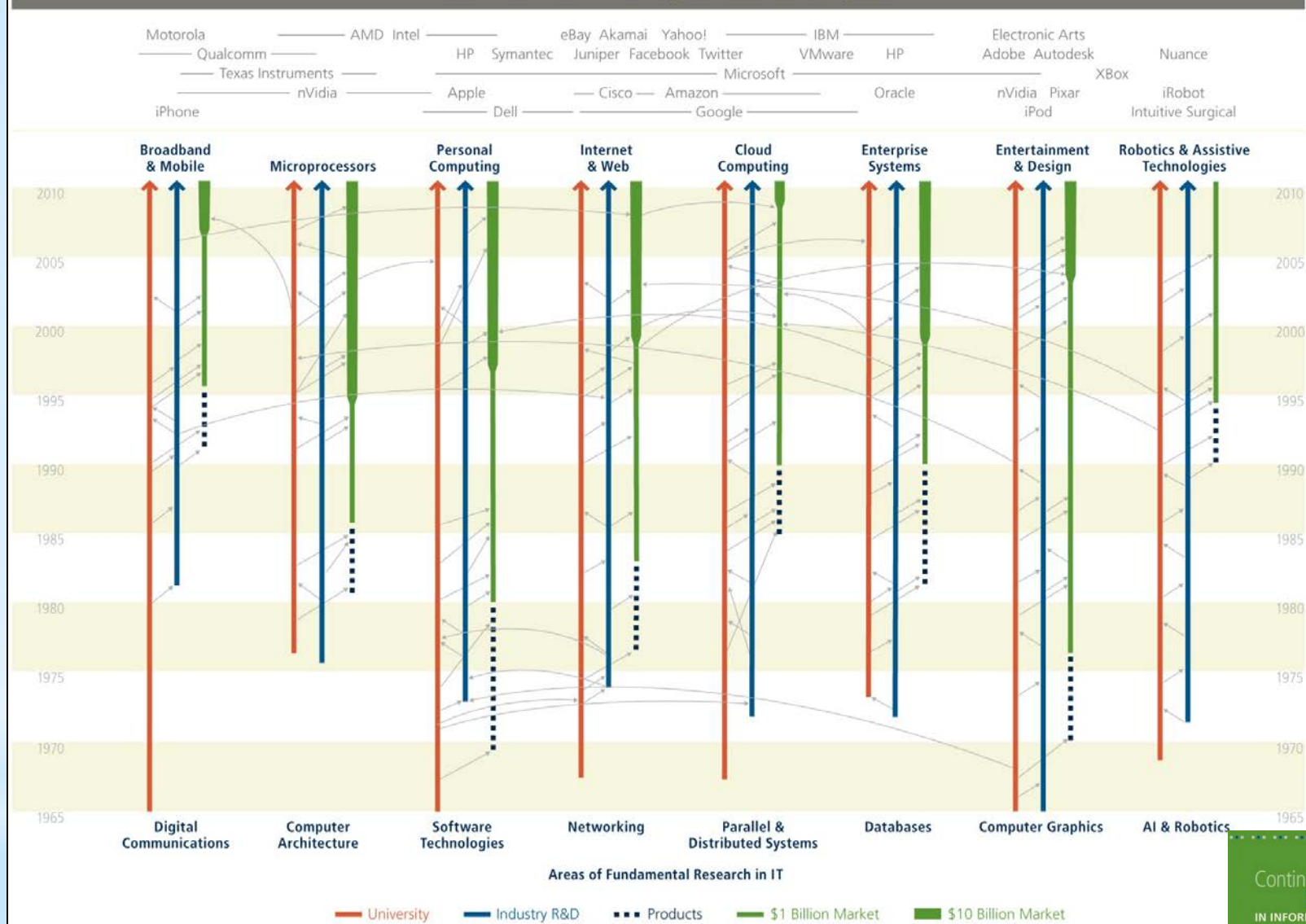
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New Challenges in a Rapidly Expanding World of Computing?



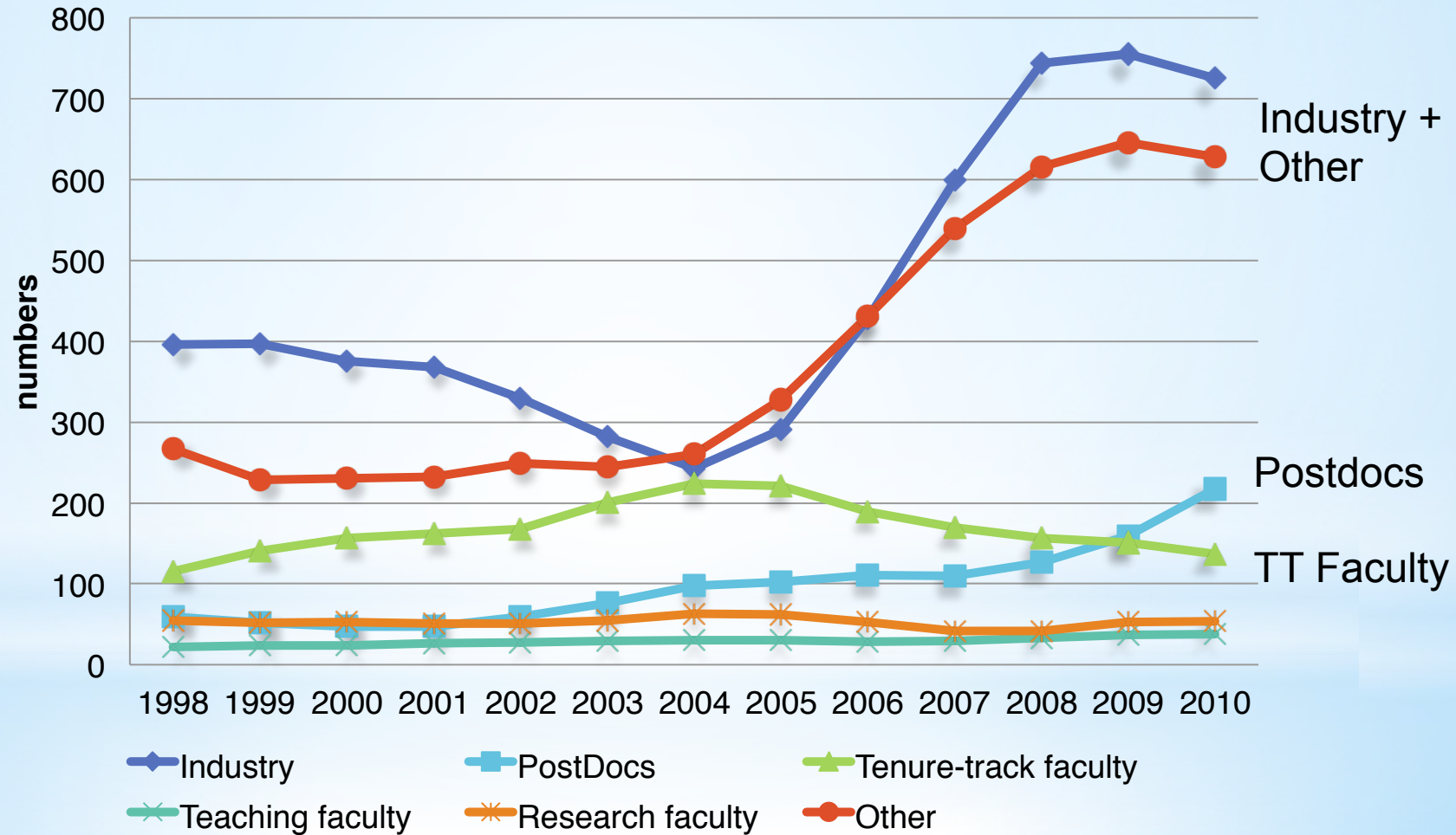
IT Sectors With Large Economic Impact



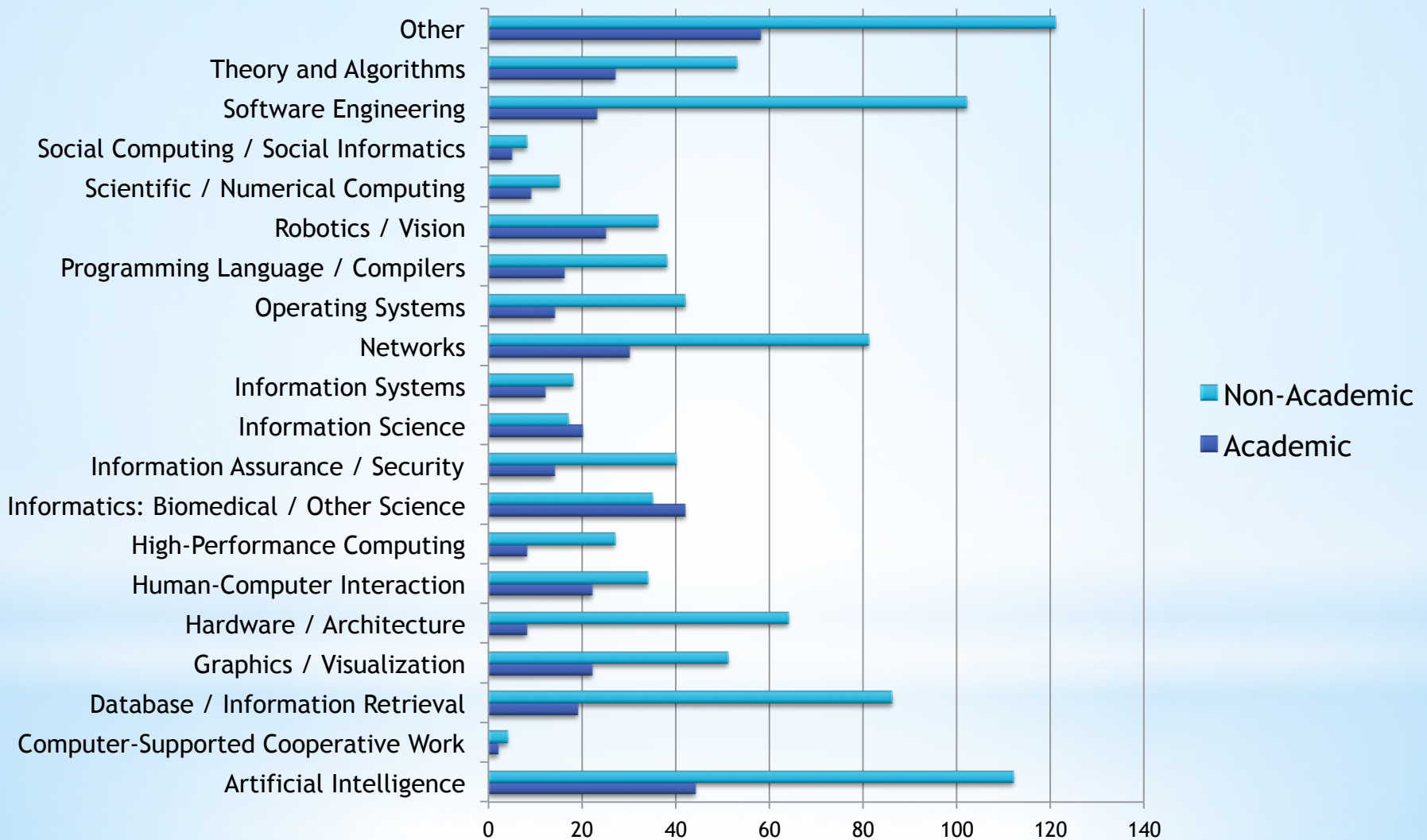
Excerpt from *Continuing Innovation in Information Technology*, National Research Council, Computer Science and Telecommunications Board, 2012.

The Changing Complexion of Computing

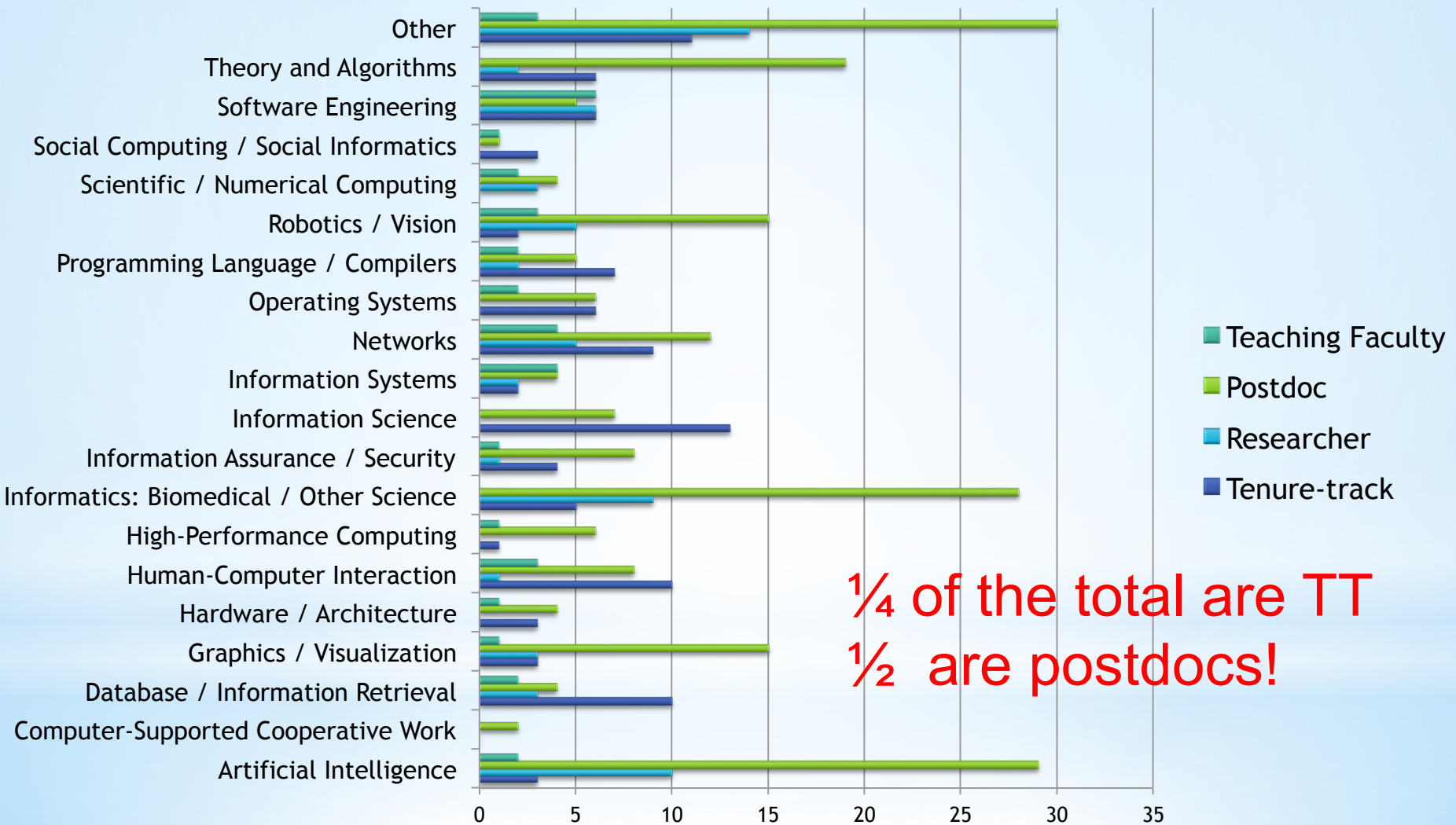
Numbers of New Ph.D.s Hired



2011-2012 Employment Data by Sector



2011-2012 Employment for PhD Graduates by Sector



1/4 of the total are TT
1/2 are postdocs!

Enabling: Computing Innovation Fellows Project -> Postdoc Best Practices

Request for Proposals | PostDoc Best Practices

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Request for Proposals (RFP)

Implementation of Best Practices for Supporting Postdocs

The Computing Innovation Fellows Project was an act...

2011 Class of Computing Innovation Fellows

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In recent years, new PhD's in the CS&E community have increasingly chosen postdoc training assignments in their pursuit of research careers. Large numbers of postdocs in CS&E are a new phenomenon for us. Our community has an opportunity, as a field, to institutionalize a set of best practices, drawn from our own experience and that of postdocs in other fields and to establish a culture that provides postdocs a superb enriching experience that launches their research careers.

Key drivers: information

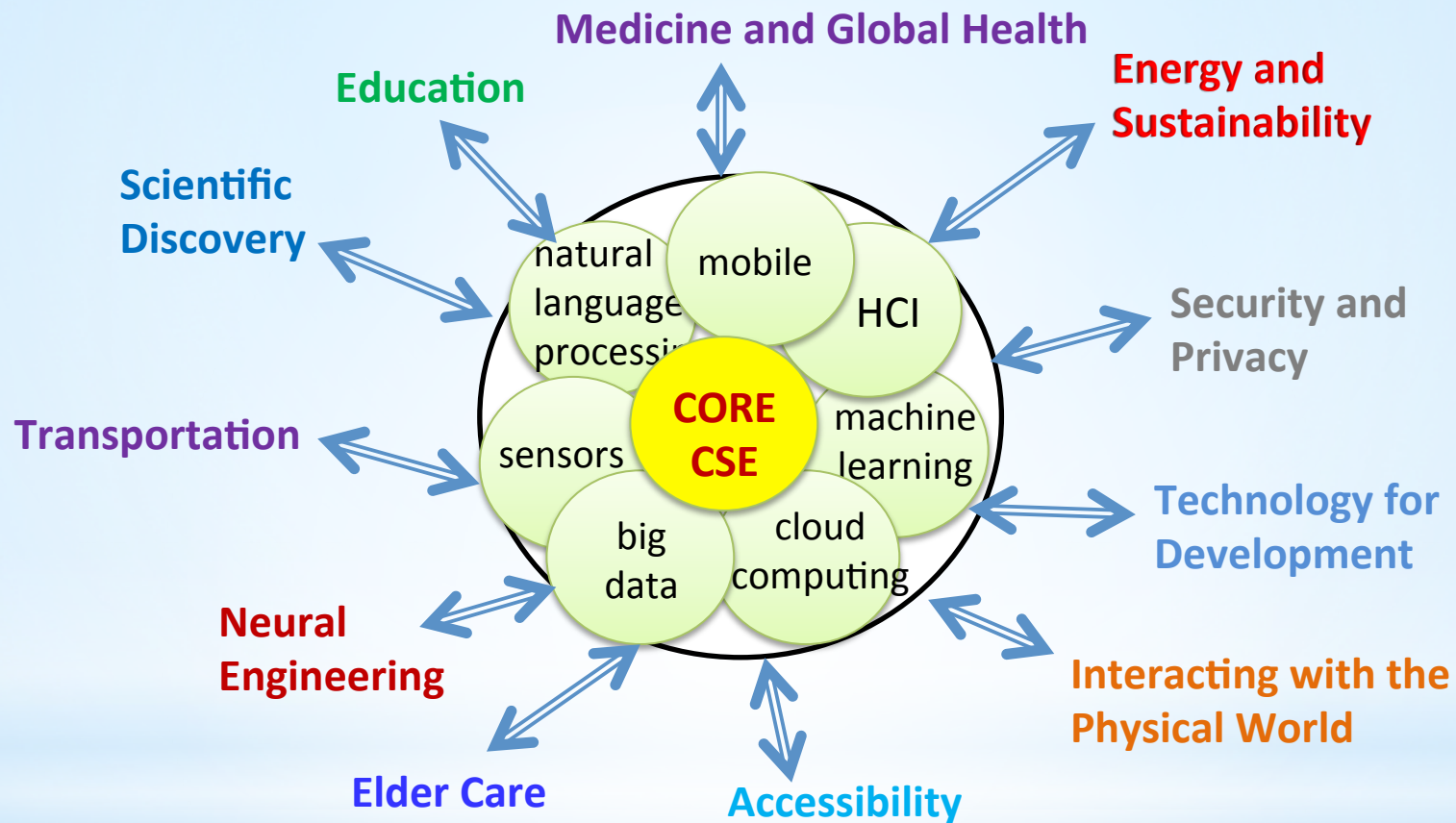
- Just about every field is becoming an information field
- “NIT is arguably unique among all fields of science and engineering in the breadth of its impact ... Recent technological and societal trends place the further advancement and application of NIT squarely at the center of our Nation’s ability to achieve essentially all of our priorities and to address essentially all of our challenges ... All indicators - all historical data, and all projections - argue that NIT is the dominant factor in America’s science and technology employment.

-- *PCAST report, December 2010*

Implications for academia



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New Drivers: Industry, Society, Government, Science

Implications for academia



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