

# Welcome, a Brief NSF CISE Overview, and a Few Words of Advice



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# *Welcome!*

... we're *very* glad you're here!

... thank you for coming!



# CISE's Economic and Societal Context

- CISE is at the center of an ongoing, long-term societal transformation
- Advances in computing, communications, information technologies, cyberinfrastructure:
  - underpin economic prosperity, national security
  - drive U.S. competitiveness and sustainable economic growth
  - accelerate the pace of discovery and innovation
  - are crucial to achieving national and societal priorities, including education and workforce development



# Computing Frontiers, National Priorities



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**From Data to  
Knowledge to Action**



**Manufacturing,  
Robotics, & Smart  
Systems**



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**Understanding the  
Brain**



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**Secure Cyberspace**



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**Education, Workforce  
Development**



**Augmenting Human  
Capabilities**

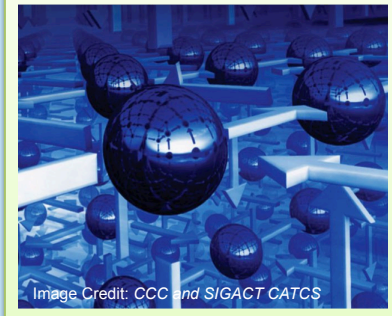


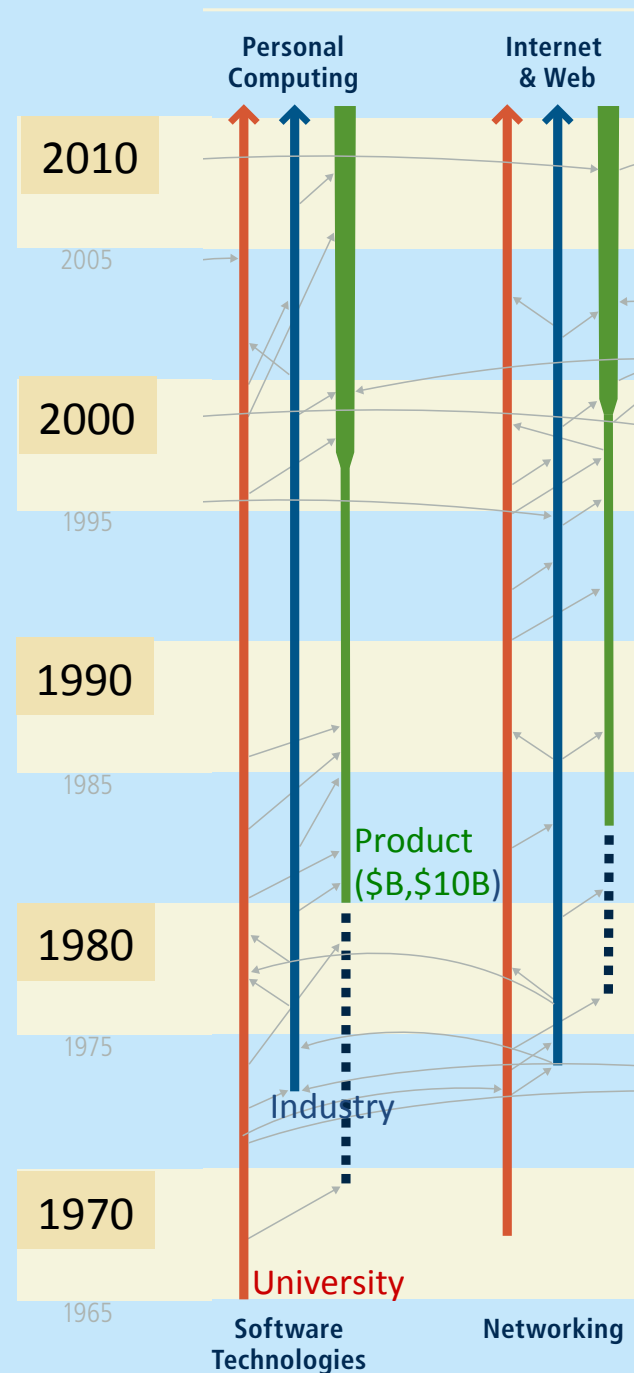
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**Expanding the limits  
of computation**



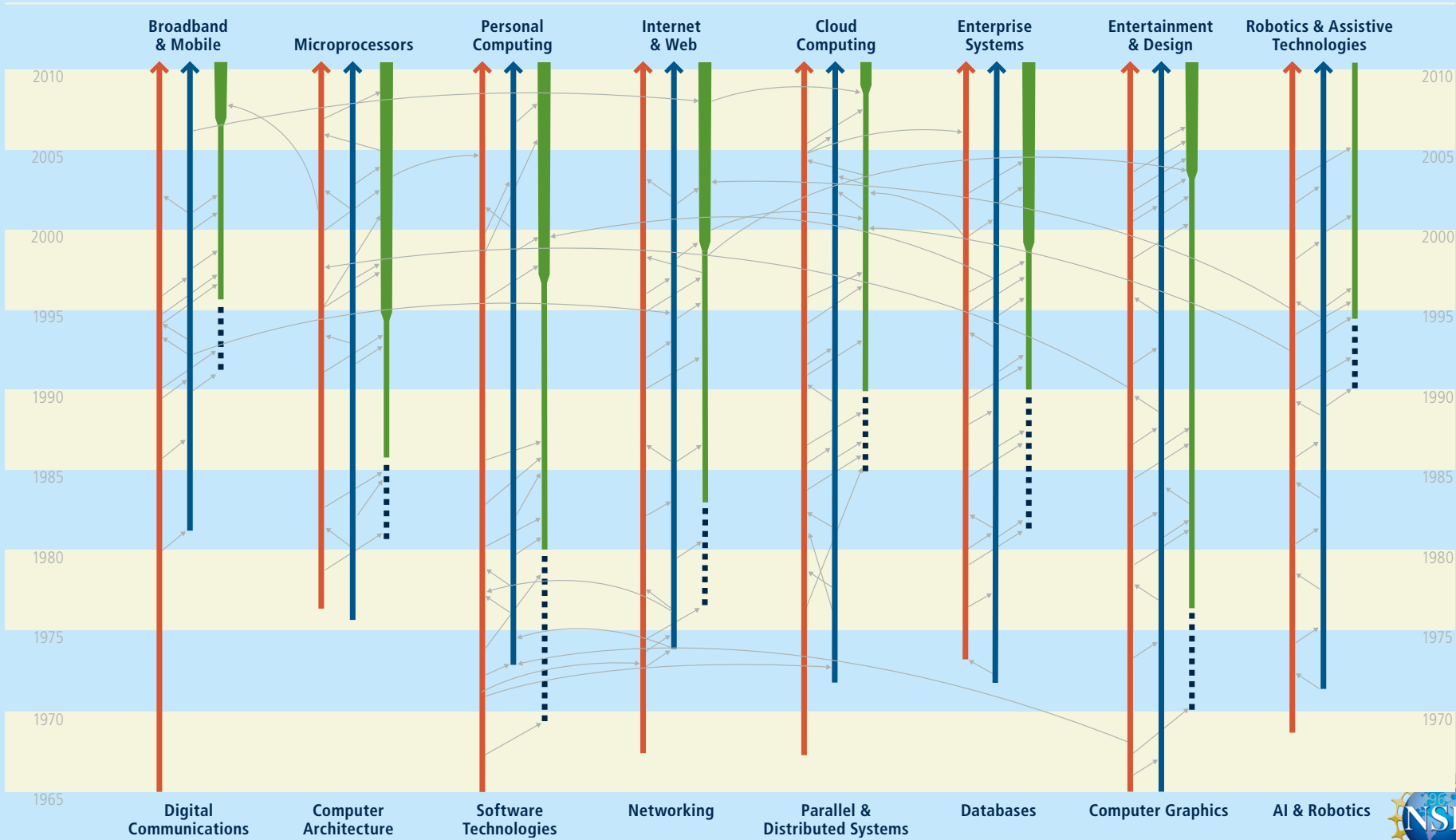


# From federally- funded fundamental computing research ...to multi- billion dollar industries



# .... across many industries


Motorola      AMD Intel      eBay Akamai Yahoo!      IBM      Electronic Arts  
 Qualcomm      HP Symantec Juniper Facebook Twitter      VMware HP      Adobe Autodesk      Nuance  
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 iPhone      Dell      Google      iRobot  
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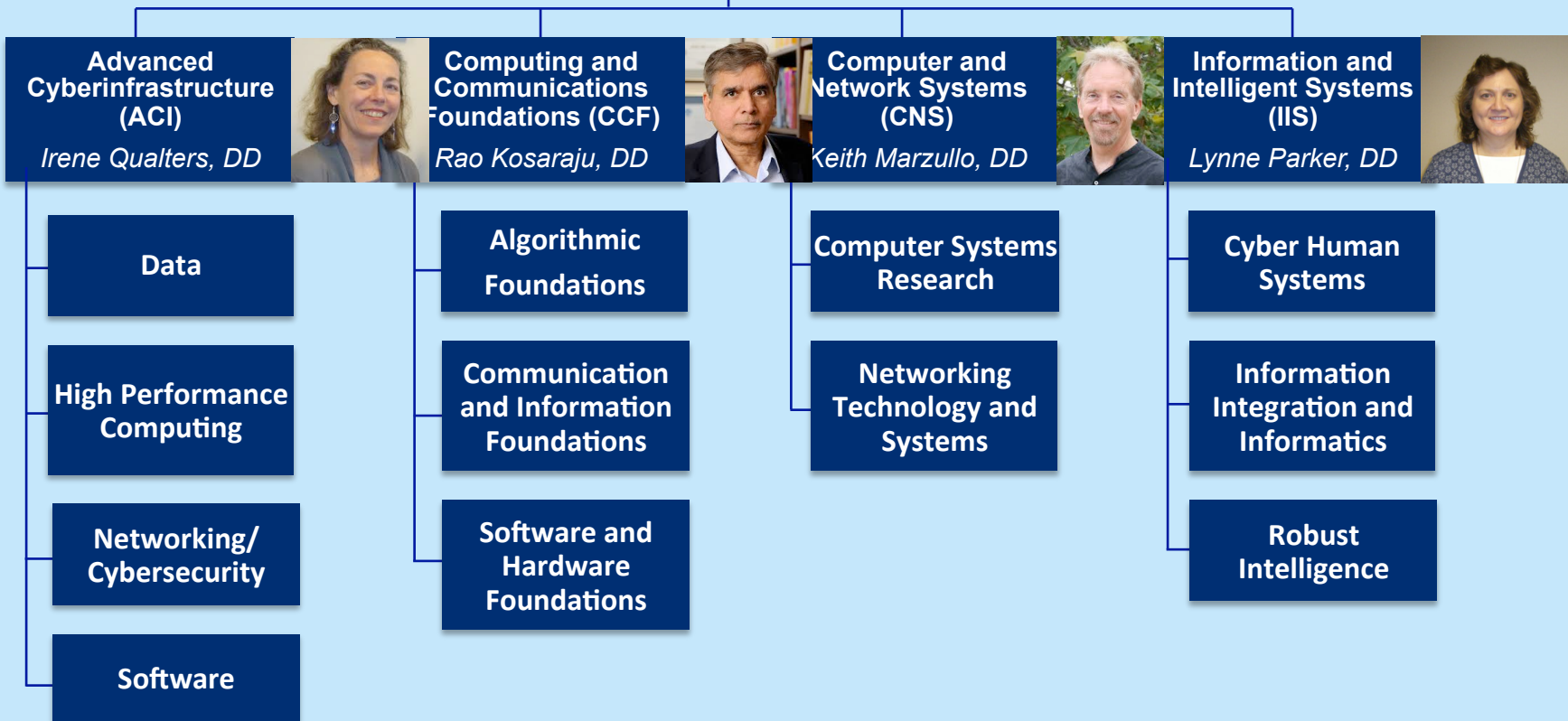
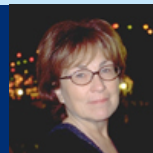
**It is an  
*exciting, impactful and important time*  
to be in  
computer and information science and  
engineering!!**



# CISE Organization



**CISE Directorate**  
*Jim Kurose, AD*  
*Suzi Iacono, DAD*





# CISE FY 2014 Activities ... Reaching People

	CISE
Budget	\$893M
Number of Proposals	7,436
Number of Awards	1,682
Success Rate	~23%
Average Annualized Award	\$199K
Number of Panels Held	302
Number of People Supported	16,774

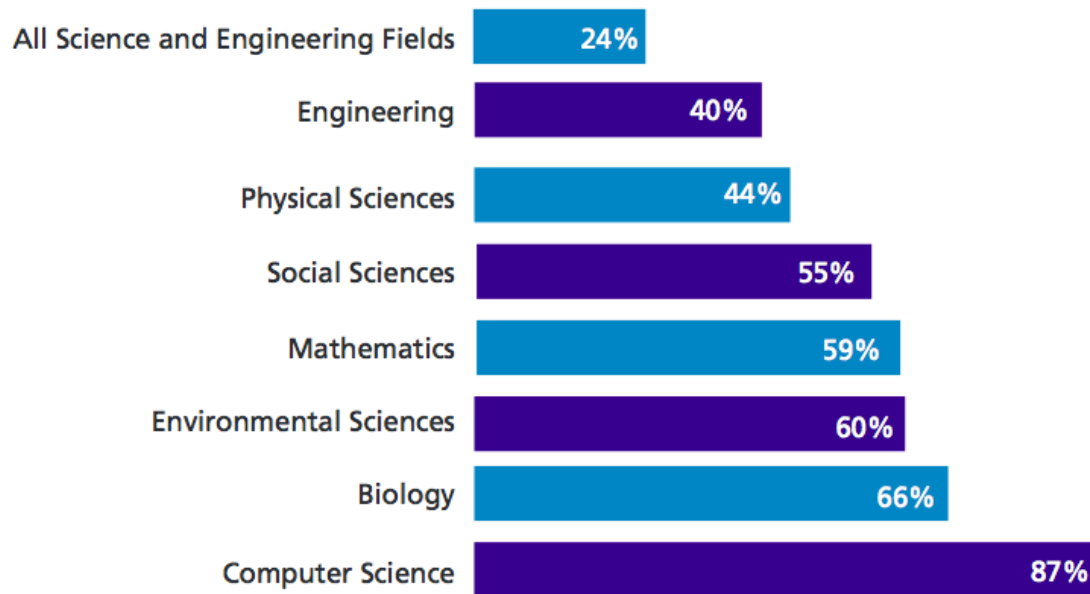


	CISE
Senior Researchers	6,663
Other Professionals	1,123
Postdoctoral Associates	491
Graduate Students	6,064
Undergraduate Students	2,433



# NSF Support for CISE Research: Critically Important

## NSF Support of Academic Basic Research in Selected Fields (as a percentage of total federal support)

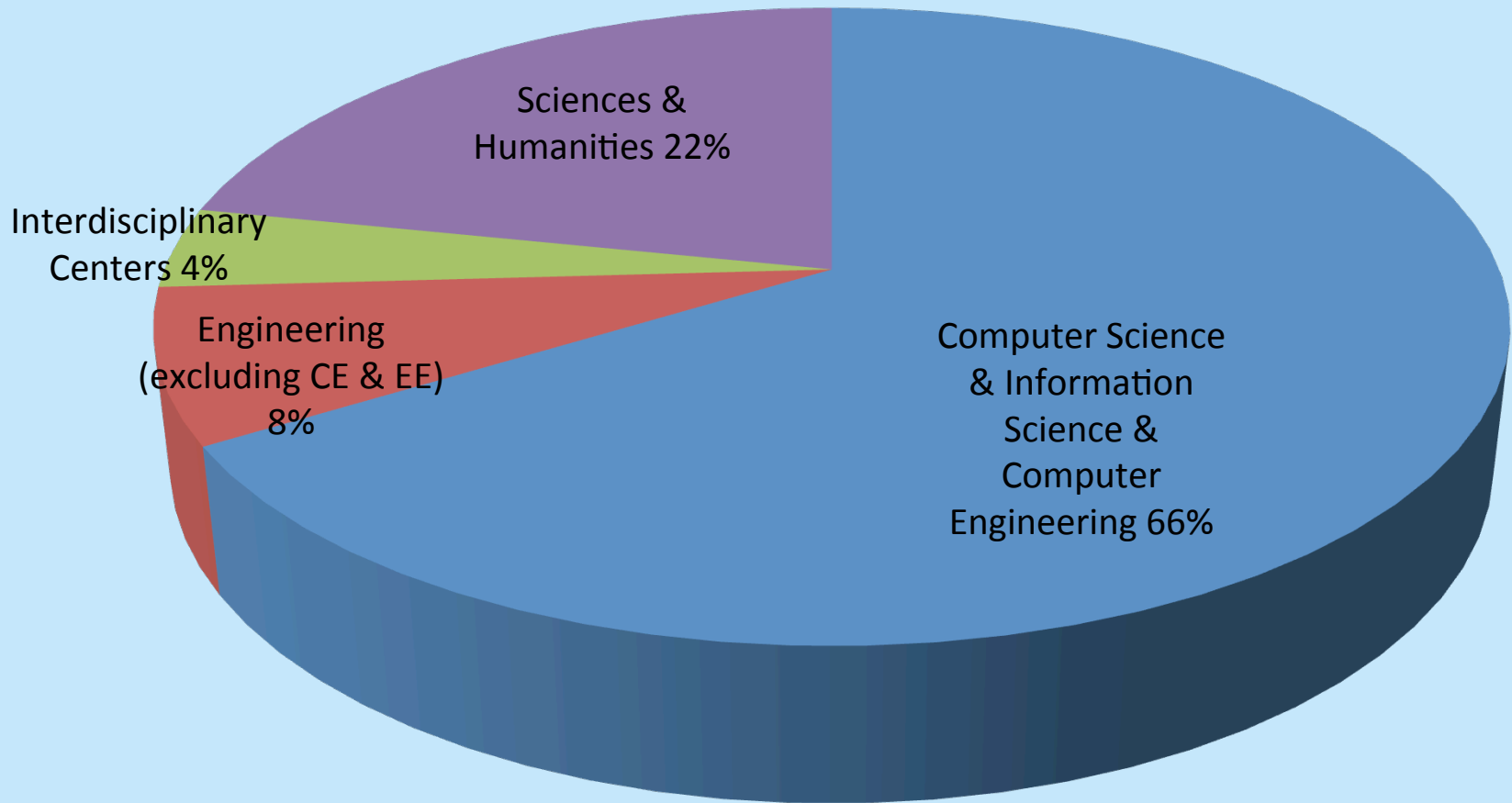


*Note:* Biology includes Biological Sciences and Environmental Biology; excludes National Institutes of Health.

*Source:* NSF/National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics, Survey of Federal Funds for Research & Development, FY 2011



# CISE FY 2014 PI and Co-PI Departments



# CISE's Commitment to the Core

CISE continues to cast a wide net and to let the best ideas surface, rather than pursuing a prescriptive research agenda. It engages the research community in developing new fundamental ideas, which are then evaluated by the best researchers through the merit review process.

This process, which supports the vast majority of unclassified computing research in the United States, has led to innovative and transformative scientific results with enormous economic impact and societal benefits.





# A bit of advice

- Think big, and bold - do *great* science, something that will change the world!
- Give yourself (enough) time
  - Ideas, and narrative writing need time to percolate
- Writing: an integral part of the research process
  - Learn to write well ... know your narrative
  - Get colleagues to review



# It takes a community

- Get mentored:
  - Locally
  - CRA mentoring workshop  
[cra.org/events/career-mentoring/](http://cra.org/events/career-mentoring/)
  - CRA-W
- Be a mentor
  - Get to know the NSF, your program directors
  - Be a reviewer, panelist



# Thank you!

... to you

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