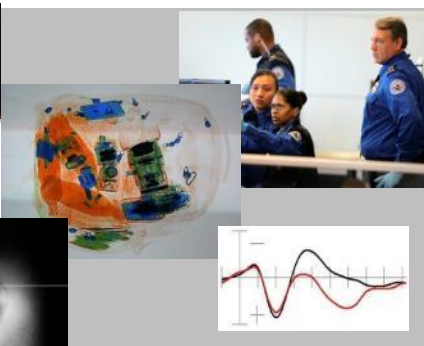
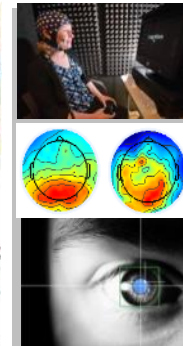
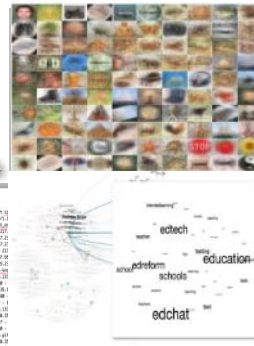


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FFRDCs: Where are the National Laboratories? Human Dimension work at the National Laboratories

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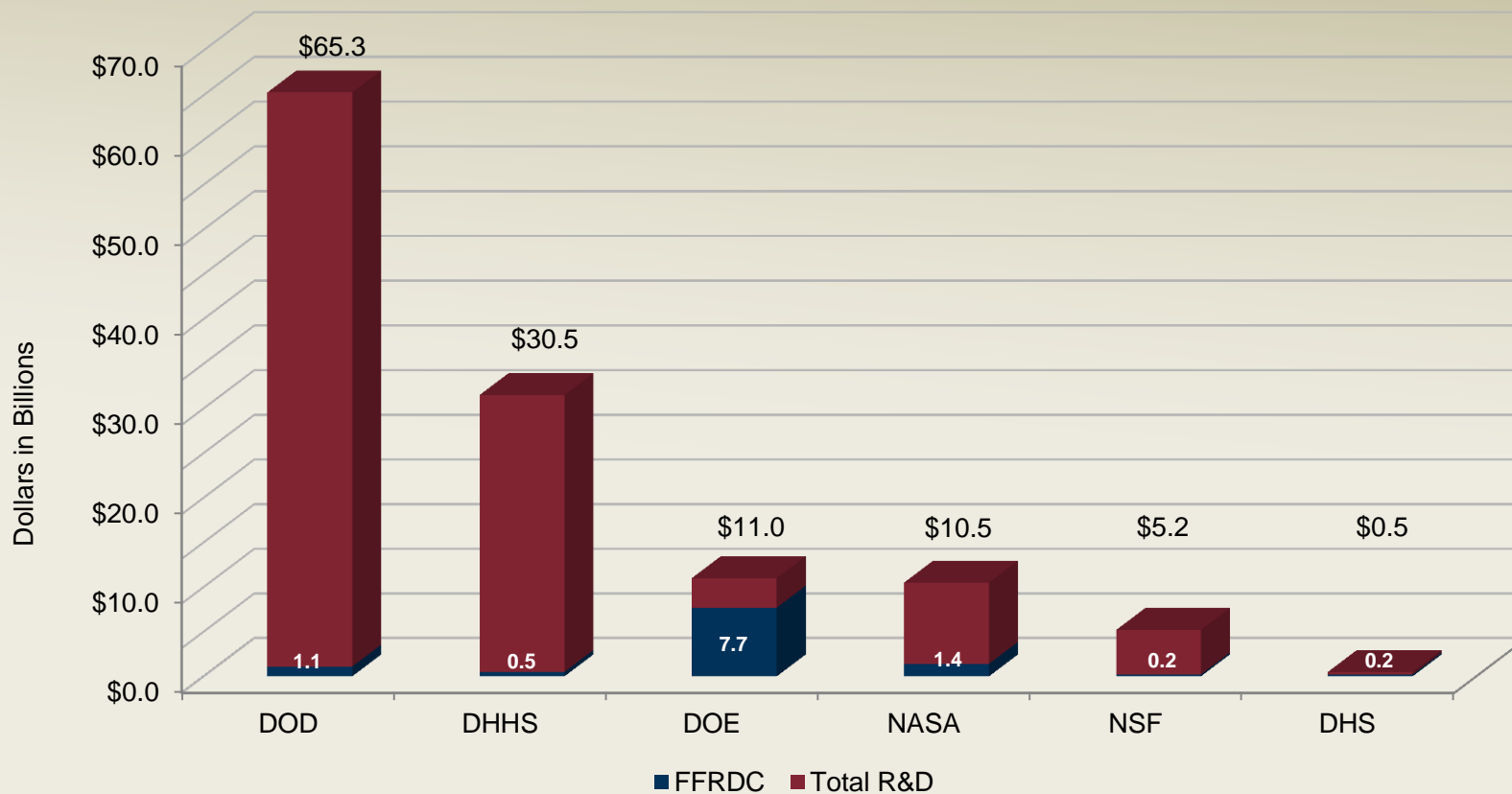


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Engage the National Labs in NDIA-HSI

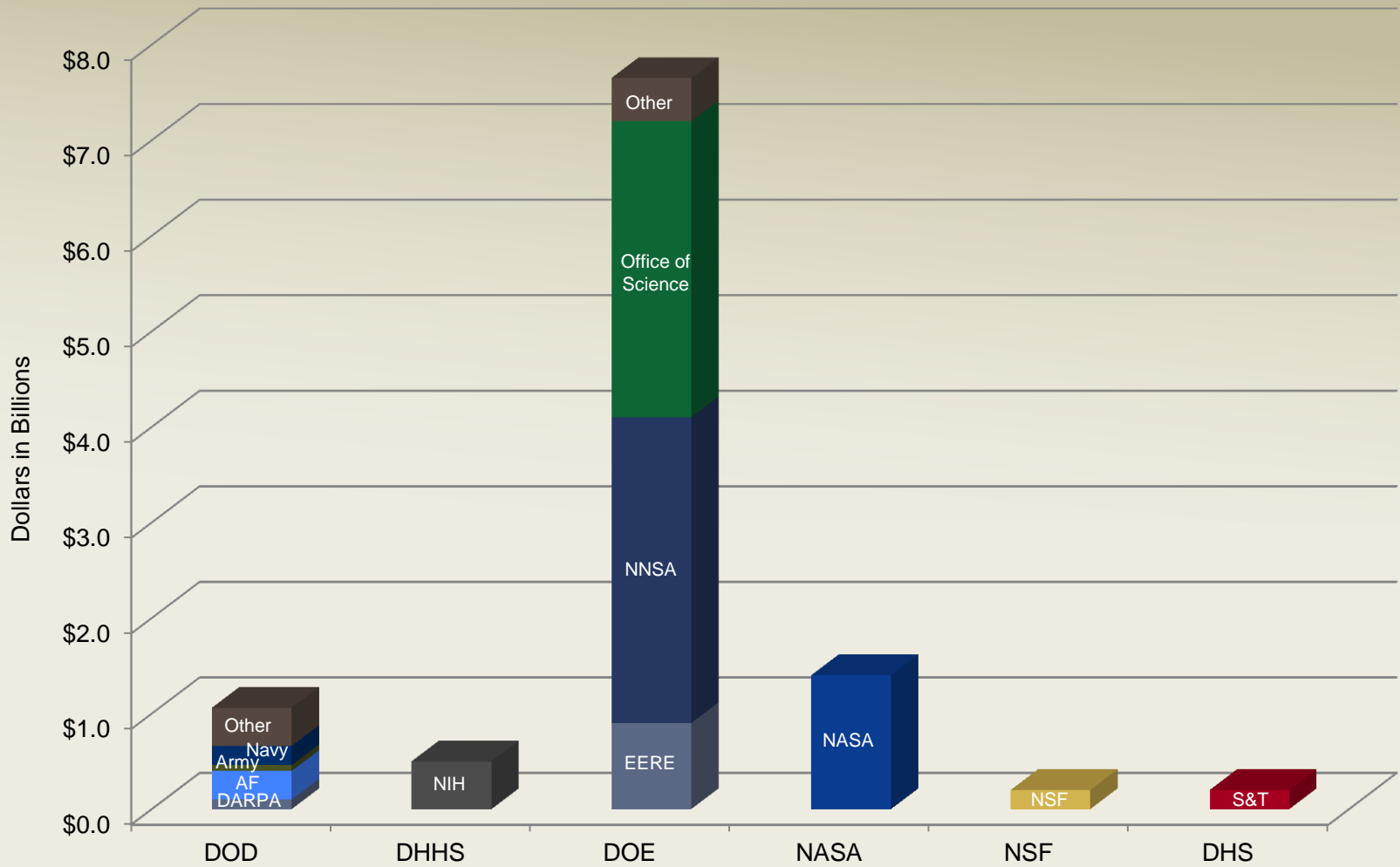
- Substantial R&D at National Laboratories
 - DOE Investments
 - Done at National Laboratories, primarily Federally-Funded Research and Development Centers (FFRDCs)
 - Significant DoD and other Agency R&D at National Laboratories
- There is HSI-Relevant work at many of these Laboratories
- Issues
 - FFRDC status?
 - Coherence – need for organization and rally point

FY 2015 Federal Obligations for R&D with FFRDC Proportions



Source: National Science Foundation, Federal Funds for Research and Development, <http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/2015/nsf15324/#chp1&chp2>, Table 4, Table 13

FY 2015 Federal Obligations for R&D to FFRDCs



Source: National Science Foundation, Federal Funds for Research and Development, <http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/2015/nsf15324/#chp1&chp2>, Table 13

National Laboratories of the U.S. Department of Energy



Source: U.S. Department of Energy
<http://energy.gov/maps/doe-national-laboratories>

National Laboratories with identified active human dimension activity



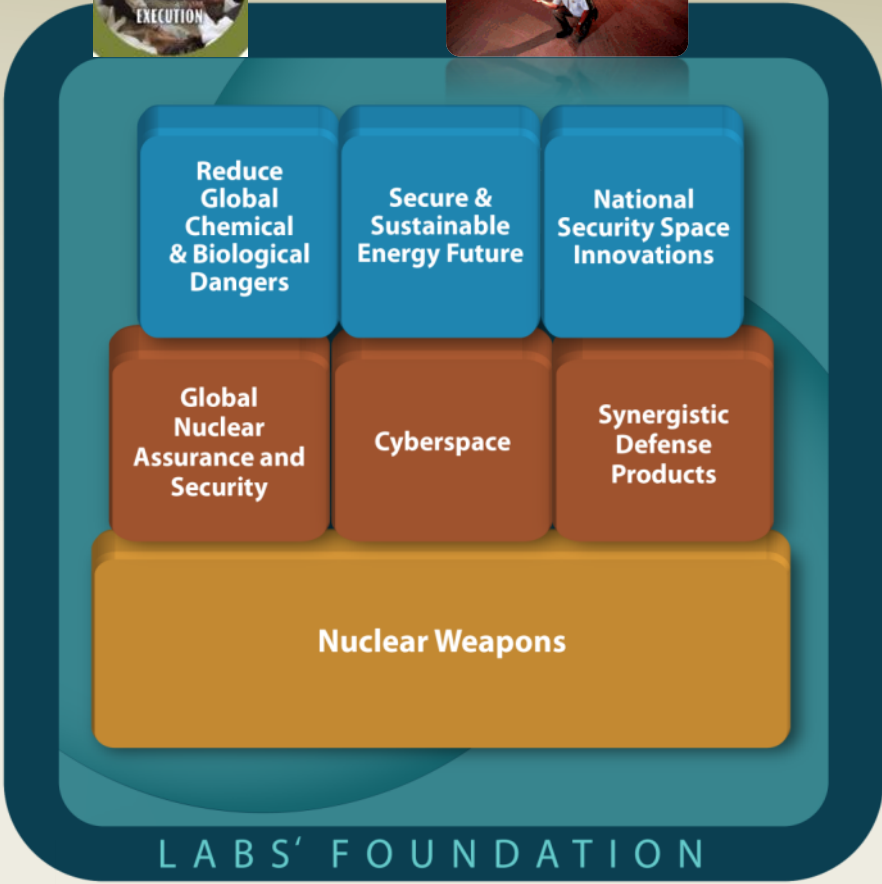
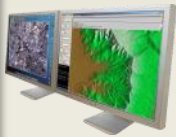
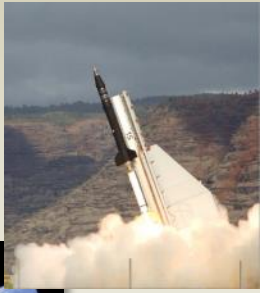
What makes FFRDCs unique?

- A **special relationship** between the federal government and an FFRDC which is significantly different in nature than other government contractors
- Meet special **long-term research or development needs** that cannot be met as effectively by existing in-house or contractor resources
- FFRDC contractors have:
 - **Enhanced access** to privileged government **information**
 - Access to government **personnel, facilities**, and other resources
- Long-term relationships between the Government and FFRDCs ensure:
 - Familiarity with the needs of the sponsor(s)
 - Currency in field(s) of expertise
 - Objectivity and independence
 - Continuity to attract high-quality personnel
 - A quick response capability

FFRDCs have special requirements

- All work must be within the FFRDC's purpose, mission, general scope of effort, or special competency
- An FFRDC's sponsor determines if work may be accepted from other than the sponsor and approves all work
- Must conduct its business in a manner befitting its special relationship with the Government:
 - **Operate in the public interest** with objectivity and independence
 - Be **free from organizational conflicts of interest**
 - **Cannot** use privileged information or access to **compete with the private sector**
 - **Fully disclose** its affairs to the sponsoring agency
- Intellectual Property generally remains property of the U.S. Government

Sandia's National Security Missions



Exploring Human Cognition



Data visualization, Pattern Analytics to Support High-Performance Exploitation and Reasoning (PANTHER)

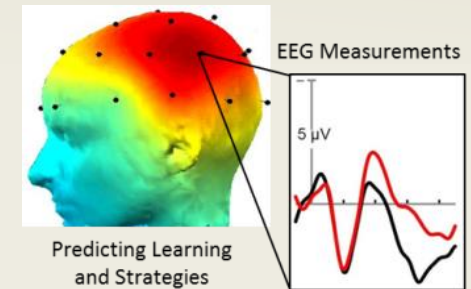
1. Study strategies of visual information foraging in novices vs. experts
2. Develop algorithms to predict strategies
3. Informed by basic visual cognition research, enhance data visualizations (e.g. graphs), visual representation software etc.



Working Memory, Human Performance Lab (HPL)

1. Study neural signatures of memory via EEG
2. Study impacts of tDCS
3. Test memory training strategies

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- Reconfigurable full-scale control room simulator facility
- Operator workstations for performance analysis.
- Technologies to measure human response:
 - audio and visual surveillance,
 - heart rate,
 - breathing
 - skin conductivity
 - eye-tracking)
- Instrumental in nuclear power plant control room modernization in the U.S



Human System Simulation Laboratory

A complete virtual nuclear control room

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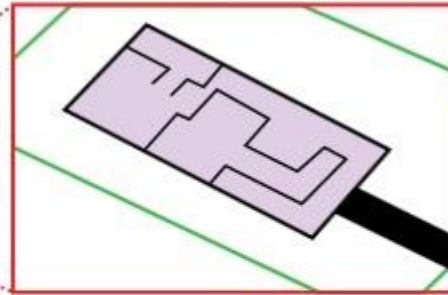
Joint Conflict & Tactical Simulation (JCATS)



Campaign view



City view



Building view



Soldier view



Planning and rehearsal capabilities that extend from the Joint Task Force level to that of individual soldier

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Gesture Interpretation & Environmental Control



Energy efficiency

- Basic research on how people interact with energy technology

Ex: Gesture-sensing Thermostats

-Thermal Confidence Index (TCI)

Real-world applications:

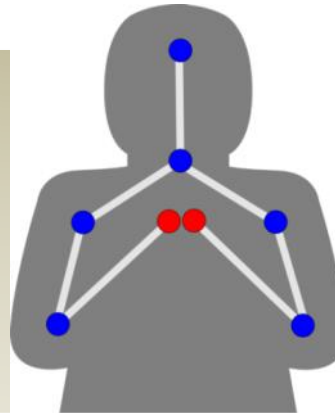
- Application of machine-learning (e.g. TCI) to energy technologies

-Nest thermostats (smart thermostats that learn a user's habits)

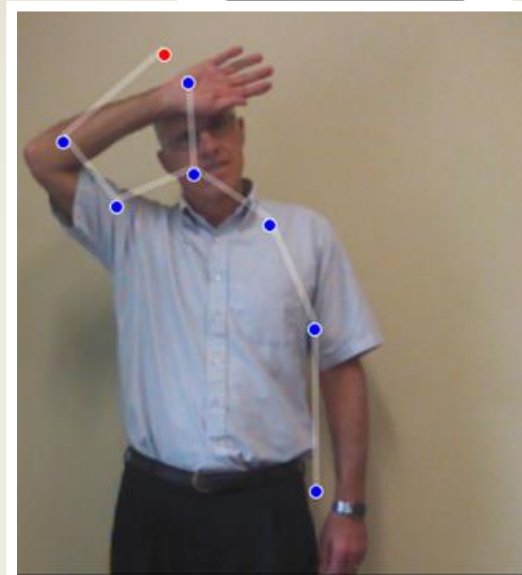
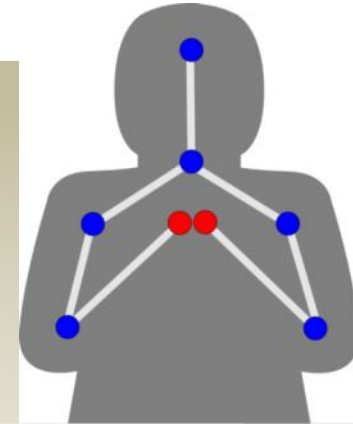
-Goal:

1. Create technologies that make energy saving user-friendly thereby...

2. Encouraging the user to save energy.



Examples from library of outward signs of thermal discomfort to inform machine-based "Thermal Comfort Index"



time	gesture	conf.	event	TCI
10:30:02 AM	Shirt Tug	80%		8
10:30:22 AM	Wipe Brow	80%		12
10:30:24 AM	Button Up	80%		3
10:30:26 AM	Wipe Brow	75%		10
10:30:33 AM	Shirt Tug	80%		16
10:30:35 AM	Wipe Brow	75%	heat	23

TCI predicts comfort/discomfort with 75%-80% confidence

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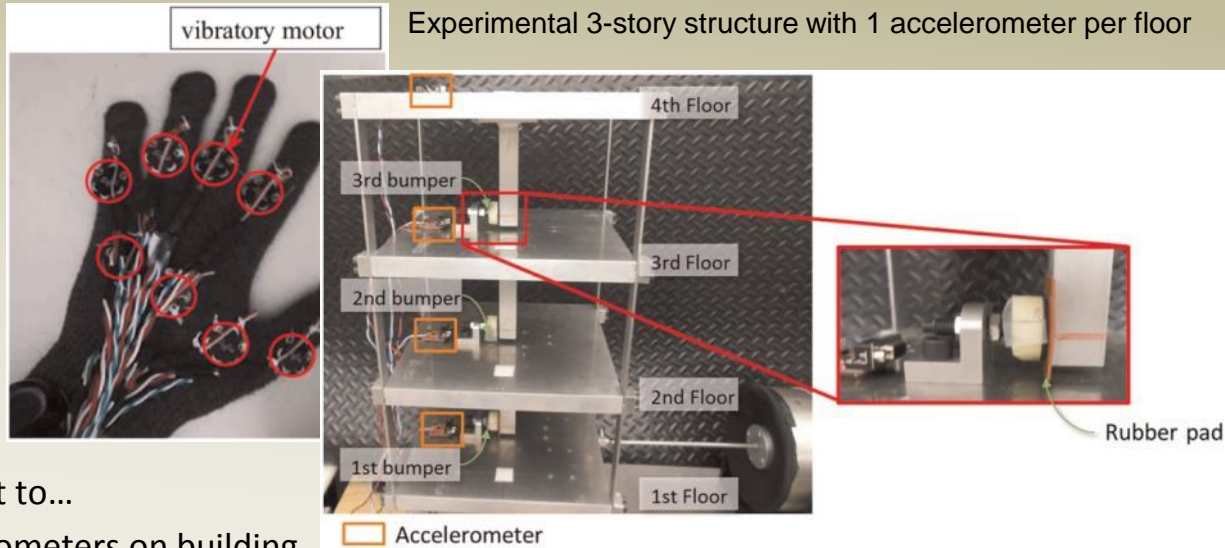
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Vibro-haptic gloves

A proof of concept to...

1. Place accelerometers on building floors provide data on harmonic base excitation – maybe an earthquake.
2. Data is preprocessed.
3. Data is then encoded as vibro-tactile stimulus which human subjects feel through a glove.
4. Humans asked to characterize the damage to the structure.

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Implantable and Wearable Neural Interface Electronics

Objective:

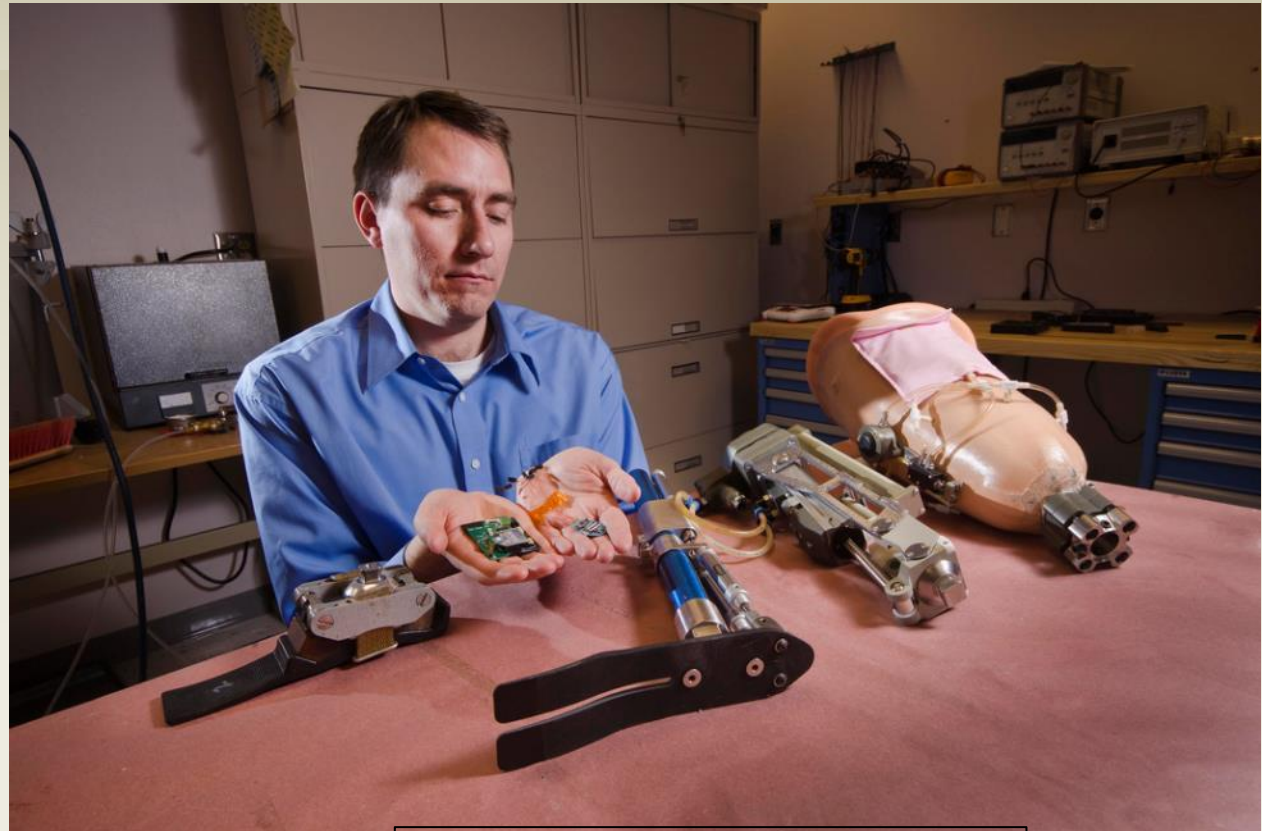
- Enhanced neural control of prosthetics for amputees

Proof of concept designed to:

- Match flexible, biocompatible, conductive materials to nerve fibers so they can integrate with nerve bundles.

Example:

- Thin evaporated metal or patterned multi-walled carbon nanotubes



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Robotics R&D

Intelligent Systems Controls

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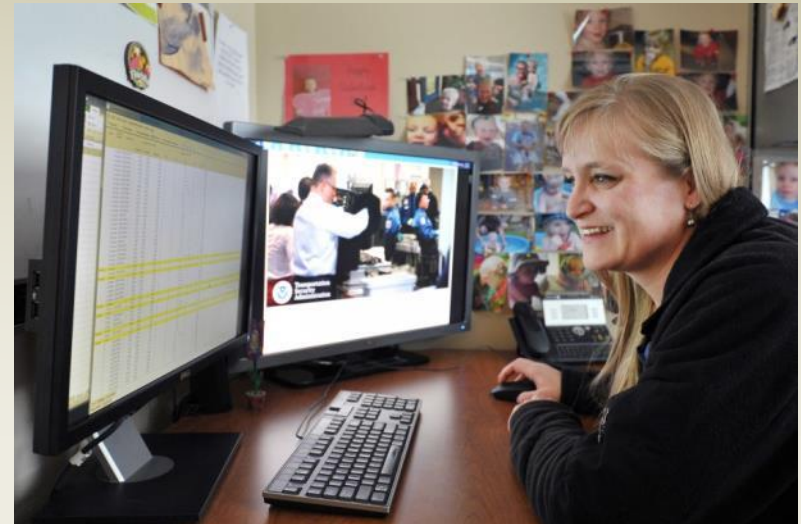
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Human Performance in Threat Detection

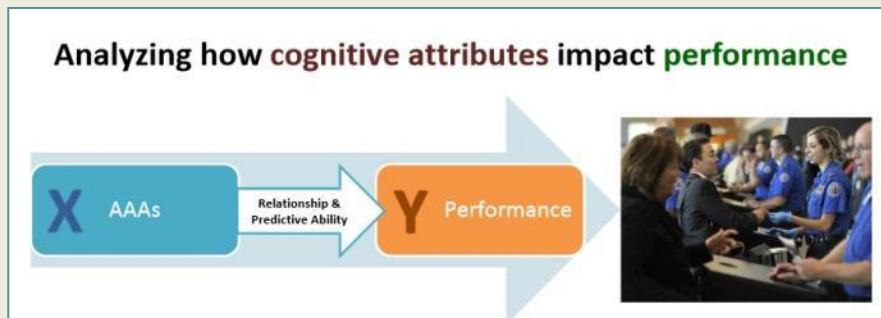
Transportation Security Administration (TSA), understanding human decision-making during threat detection by...

- observing officers' behaviors and accuracy
- in representative, non-laboratory samples (e.g. in actual airports, actual TSA officers)

Possible effects on behavior and accuracy: supervisor emphasis (accuracy or throughput), image resolution, officer experience/training, cognitive attributes



Cognitive psychologist and TSA research team lead Ann Speed conducts research aimed at quantifying human behaviors.



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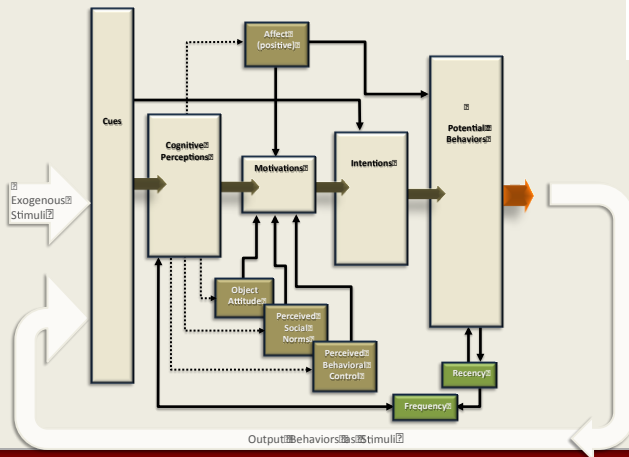
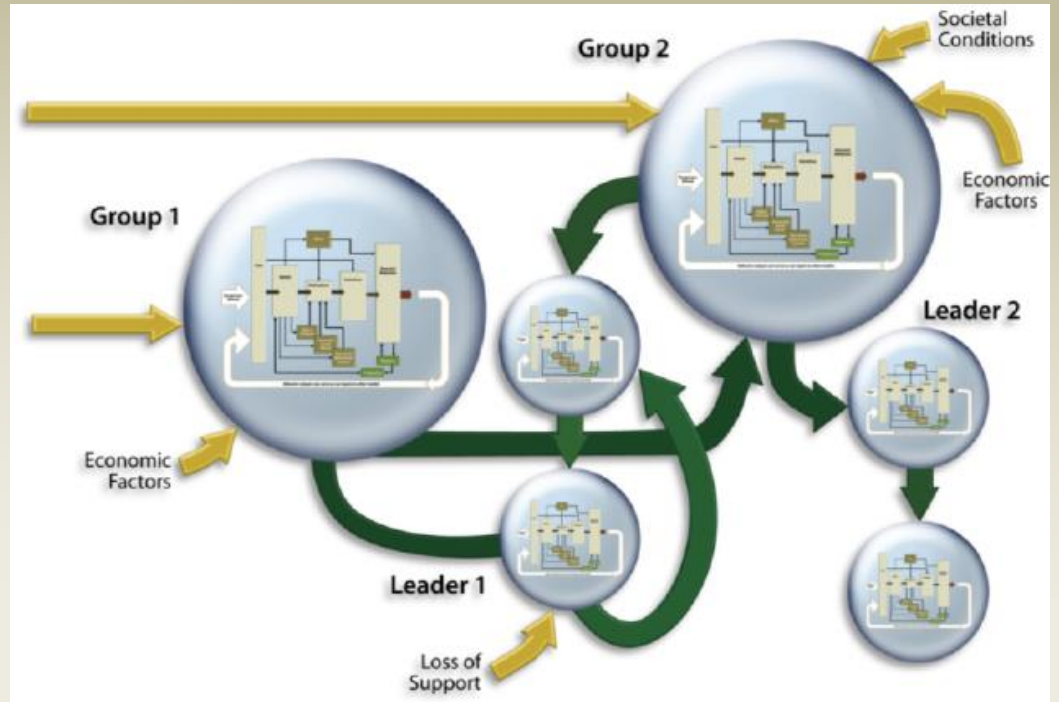
Decision Calculus

Theory-based framework

Individual and group/organizational decision-making

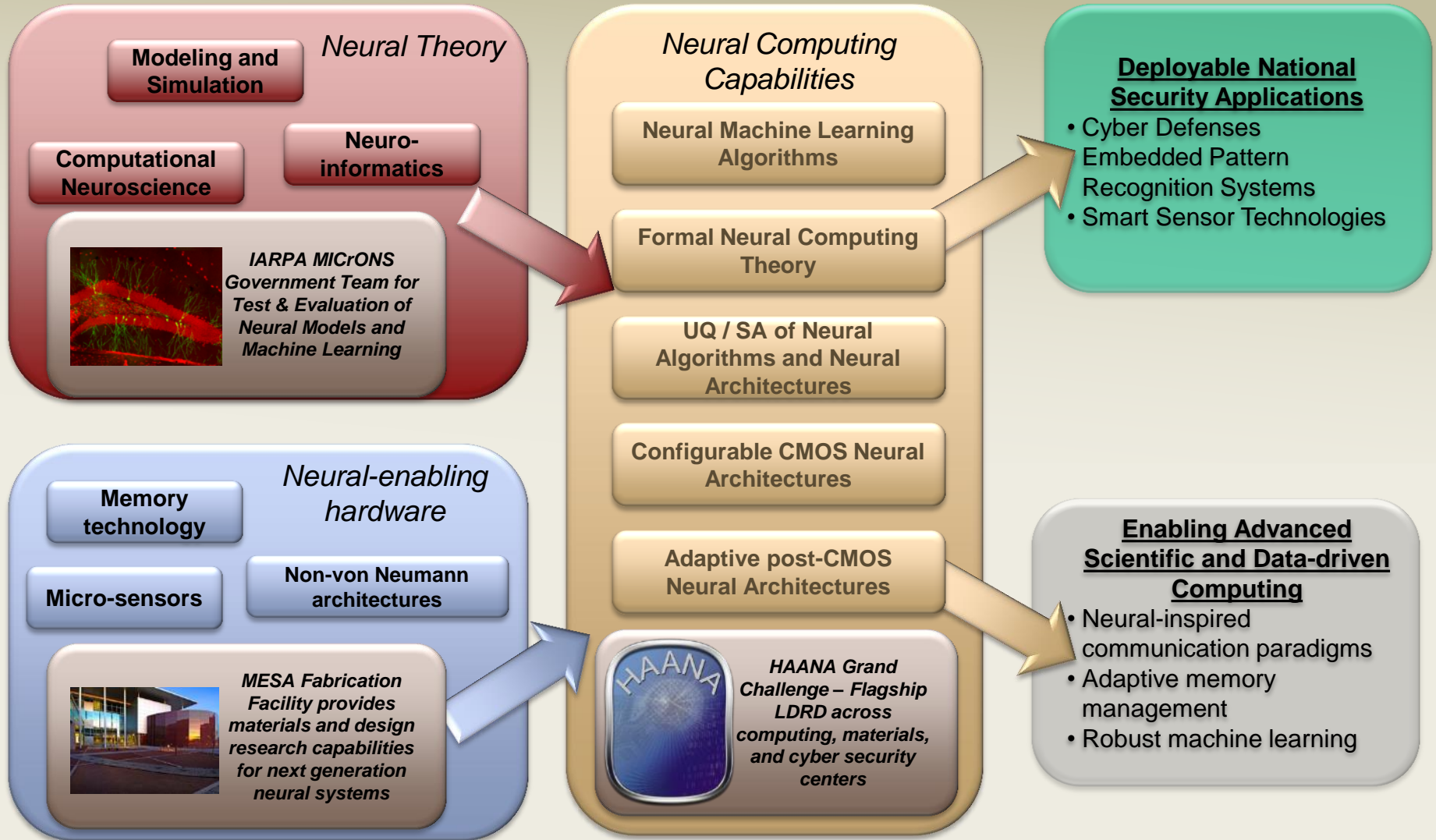
Informs High Consequence Decisions

- Likely range of outcomes of potential courses of actions or events
- Assess higher-order (cascading) effects
- Track confidence levels
- Transparent

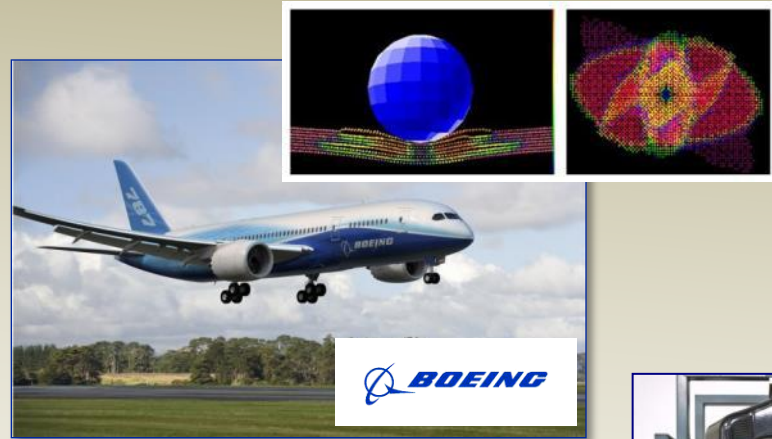
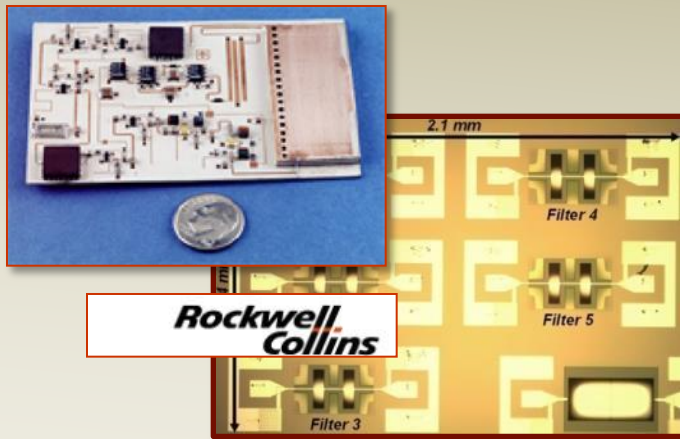


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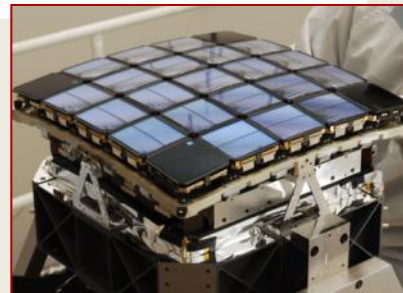
Neuromorphic computing at SNL leverages a broad research foundation



Industry Strategic Alliances Successes



NORTHROP GRUMMAN



Bridging lab interests and industry capabilities in service to the nation

Agreement Type

CRADA (Cooperative Research & Development Agreement): Sandia and one or more partners outside the Federal government (usually from industry, nonprofit organizations, or academia, domestic or foreign) collaborate and share the results of a jointly conducted research and development project.

Benefits

- Leverages research efforts by Sandia and partner.
- Each party may take title to its own CRADA-generated intellectual property.
- Partner has option to obtain license to Sandia's CRADA-generated intellectual property in limited field of use on agreed-upon reasonable terms and conditions.
- Designated CRADA-generated information can be protected for up to five years.
- CRADA non-disclosure provision protects proprietary information.

Funding

Funding to support the work Sandia performs for a CRADA may come from:

- 100% partner funds.
- 100% government program funds (from DOE/NNSA or other Federal agencies).
- Combination of funding from the partner(s) and the government.

Requirements

- Partner "in-kind" contributions of labor and possibly property or services.
- Work must benefit a DOE/NNSA mission.
- Written statement of work.
- Related collateral documentation.
- Acceptance of legal terms and conditions.
- Substantial U.S. manufacturing requirements (or benefit to U.S.).
- Government retains non-exclusive, paid-up, royalty-free license to all CRADA-generated intellectual property for U.S. government use.
- Approval by DOE/NNSA required before Sandia can perform work.
- Final report upon completion of project.

Industry: Interested in partnering with a laboratory?



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Conclusion:

Engage the National Labs in NDIA-HSI

- Substantial R&D at National Laboratories
- There is HSI-Relevant work at many of these Laboratories
- Issues
 - FFRDC status?
 - Coherence – need for organization and rally point
- NDIA Human Systems as that rally point?
 - Many expressed interest in the possibility.
 - Propose to spend the next year exploring how NDIA could be a unifying force among these National Lab pockets, culminating in contributions to next year's Conference.

Questions?

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Why does the nation need FFRDCs?

- **Comprehensive knowledge of sponsors needs** – mission, culture, expertise and institutional memory regarding issues of enduring concern to the sponsor
- **Adaptability** – ability to respond to emerging needs of their sponsors and anticipate future critical issues
- **Objectivity** – ability to produce thorough, independent analyses to address complex technical and analytical problems
- **Long-term continuity** – uninterrupted, consistent support based on a continuing relationship
- **Broad access to sensitive government and commercial proprietary information** – absence of institutional interests that could lead to misuse of information or cause contractor reluctance to provide such information
- **Quick response capability** – ability to offer short-term assistance to help sponsors meet urgent and high-priority requirements

