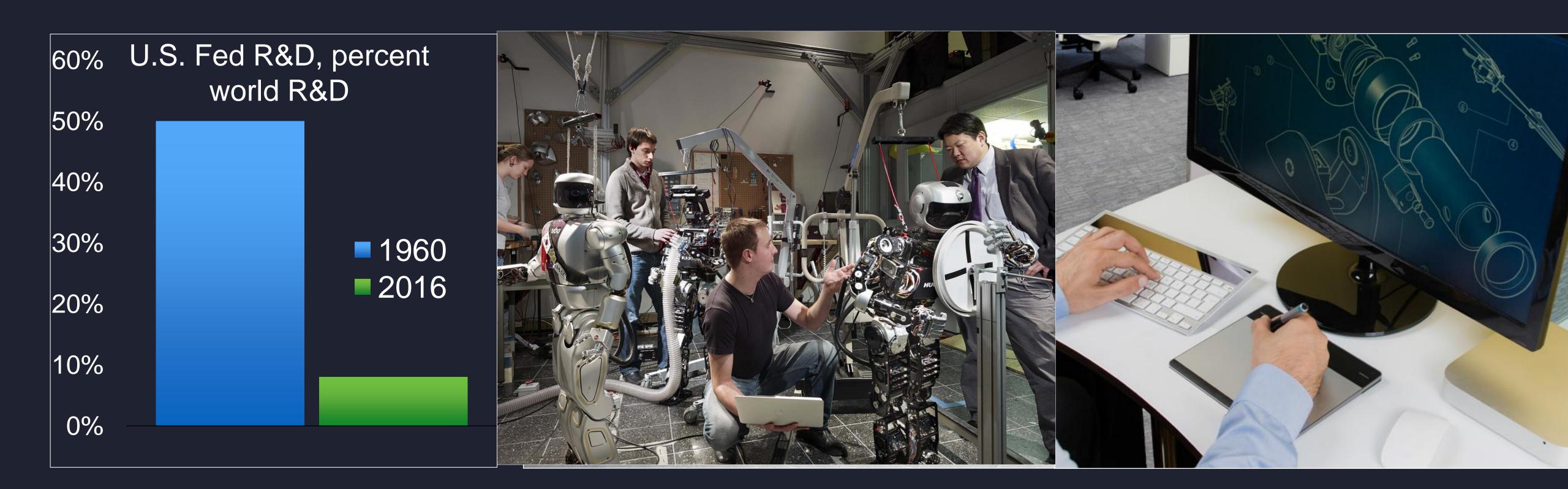
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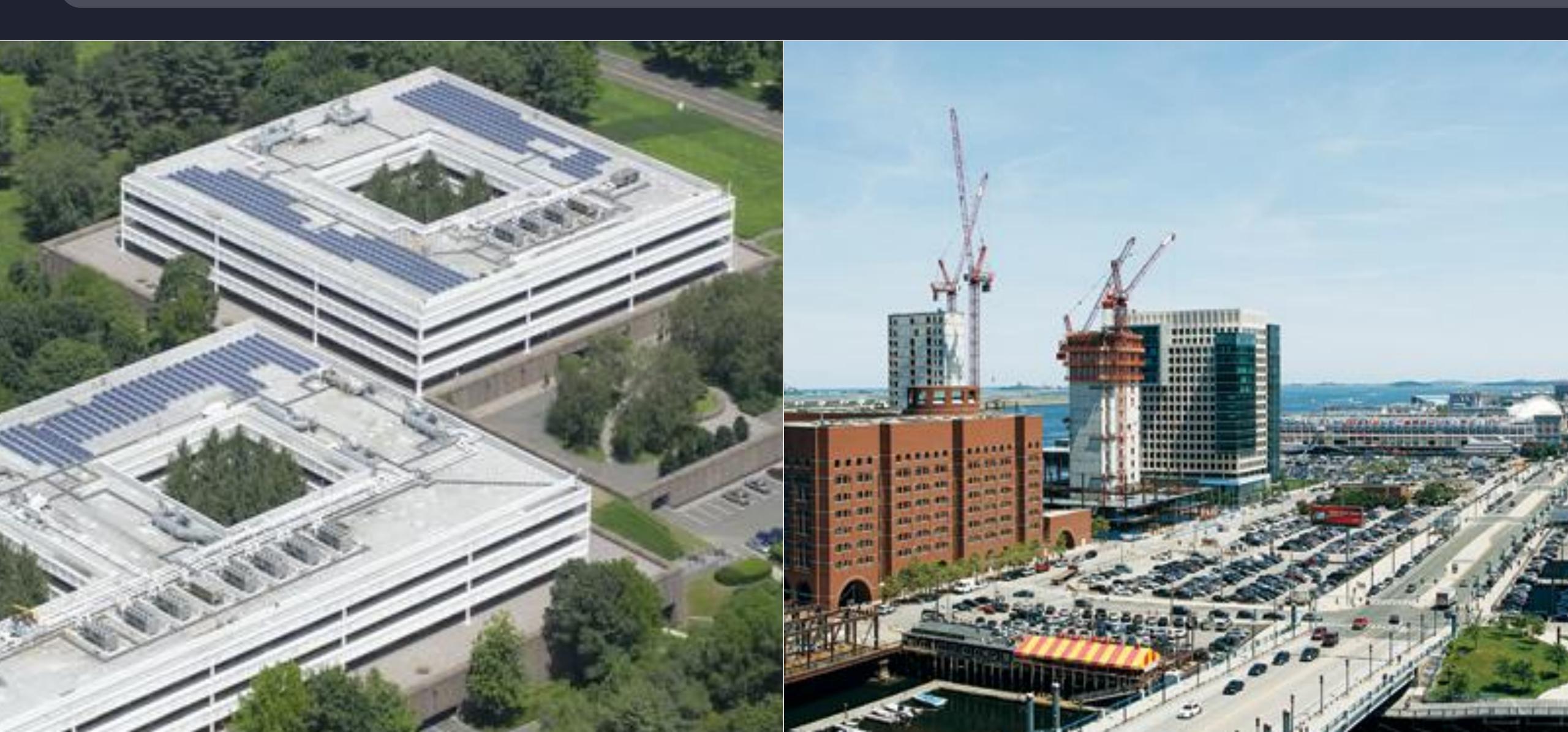
Increasingly crowded R&D space

Growing importance of open, networked economy

Blurring distinction between traditional disciplines



### The spatial geography of our innovation is shifting, increasing the value of proximity and partnerships





## **Innovation Vouchers**

- Short-term grants to assist small businesses access national labs
- Reduces the time and cost to sign an • agreement
- Often run by labs but funded by state • governments
- **Examples: Small Business Voucher** Program, NMSBA, RevV! (DoE)



Tennessee Manufacturing Innovation Program







## **Entrepreneurs-in-residence**

- In order to accelerate startup development • out of labs and universities
- Address gaps in mentorship and funding •
- Should be coupled with pro-active technology transfer strategies
- Examples: NIH, i-Corp (NSF), venture • capital-based model

Google ventures







## **Pre-competitive Consortia**

- Pull R&D resources from multiple public and private institutions for product development
- Pooling of research and development of new teams
- Often around shared data •
- **Examples: Accelerating Medicines** Partnership (HHS), Sematec

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### "Microlabs"

- Get resources "outside the fence"
- Physical and programming assets that are aligned with industry needs
- **Co-located near dense technology clusters** • and universities (usually in cities)
- Examples: MDF (DoE), DIUx (DoD)





## <u>Simplified, standardized contracts</u>

- Eliminate the need to sign individual ulletagreements for every project
- Best practices from universities apply for ulletlabs
- **Develop long-term strategic partnerships** ullet
- Examples: CalCharge

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