1st Annual Commonwealth Computational Summit

Harnessing the Data Revolution

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NSF “Big Ideas”

RESEARCH IDEAS

Harnessing Data for 21st Century Science and Engineering
Work at the Human-Technology Frontier: Shaping the Future
Windows on the Universe: The Era of Multi-messenger Astrophysics
The Quantum Leap: Leading the Next Quantum Revolution

PROCESS IDEAS

Mid-scale Research Infrastructure
NSF 2050: Seeding Innovation
Growing Convergent Research at NSF
NSF-INCLUDES: Enhancing Science and Engineering through Diversity
“Engage NSF’s research community in the pursuit of fundamental research in data science and engineering, the development of a cohesive, federated, national-scale approach to research data infrastructure, and the development of a 21st-century data-capable workforce.”

Harnessing the Data Revolution: five themes

- **Research** across all NSF Directorates
  - Theoretical foundations: mathematics, statistics, computer & computational science
  - Data-intensive research: in all areas of science and engineering
  - Systems, algorithms: data-centric algorithms, systems

- **Science domains**
  - Foundations
  - Cyber infrastructure
  - Education, Workforce
  - Systems, algorithms

- **Educational pathways**
  - Innovations grounded in an education-research-based framework
  - Advanced cyberinfrastructure
  - Accelerating data-intensive research
Harnessing the Data Revolution: Domains

Research domains
- science, engineering, education, ...
- SBE: Social, Behavioral, Economic Sciences
- MPS: Math & Physical Sciences
- GEO: Geosciences
- ENG: Engineering
- BIO: Biological Sciences
- CISE: Computer & Information Science & Engineering
- EHR: Education and Human Resources

Harnessing the Data Revolution: Systems

Science domains
- Systems, algorithms
- Predictive learning
- Fair, interpretable, transparent, trustworthy, ...
- Benchmark data sets
- Integrity and accessibility
- Privacy and protection
- Human-data interface
Harnessing the Data Revolution: Foundations

Data Science Foundations: TRIPODS

- TRIPODS: Transdisciplinary Research In Principles Of Data Science
  - Required close collaboration among CS, Math, Stats
  - **Phase I**: 3 years, 12 “Proto centers”
  - **Possible Phase II**: ~3 Large, national centers (subject to availability of funding).
    - Important: Connection with applications domains, industry
NSF TRIPODS Projects

1. **UA-TRIPODS: Building Theoretical Foundations for Data Sciences**: Hao Zhang, University of Arizona
2. **Foundations of Model Driven Discovery from Massive Data**: Jeffery Brock, Brown University (Convergence and EPSCoR co-funding)
3. **Berkeley Institute on the Foundations of Data Analysis**: Michael Mahoney, University of California, Berkeley
4. **TRIPODS: Towards a Unified Theory of Structure, Incompleteness and Uncertainty in Heterogeneous Graphs**: Lise Getoor, University of California, Santa Cruz
5. **From Foundations to Practice of Data Science and Back**: John Wright, Columbia University
7. **Transdisciplinary Research Institute for Advancing Data Science (TRIAD)**: Xiaoming Huo, Georgia Institute of Technology
8. **Collaborative Research: TRIPODS Institute for Optimization and Learning**: Katya Scheinberg, Lehigh University; Han Liu, Northwestern University; Francesco Orabona, State University of New York at Stony Brook
9. **Institute for Foundations of Data Science (IFDS)**: Piotr Indyk, Massachusetts Institute of Technology
10. **Topology, Geometry, and Data Analysis (TGDA@OSU): Discovering Structure, Shape, and Dynamics in Data**: Tamal Dey, The Ohio State University
11. **Algorithms for Data Science: Complexity, Scalability, and Robustness**: Sham Kakade, University of Washington
12. **Institute for Foundations of Data Science**: Stephen Wright, University of Wisconsin-Madison (Convergence co-funding)

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Harnessing the Data Revolution: Cyberinfrastructure

- **High Performance Data Infrastructure**
- **Open Knowledge Network (OKN): A public domain knowledge graph**
  - Robust, open, science-driven, integrated research CI ecosystem, with data as a “first-class object”
Open knowledge network

- An open web-scale knowledge network
  - Suggested by the community: Andrew Moore, CMU; Ramnathan Guha; et al.
- Semantically-linked concepts, data
  - To foster research on an entire class of new applications leveraging data, context, and inferences from data
- Question/answer interfaces, dialog-based interactions, explanatory/story-telling interfaces
- Joint academia, industry, government workshops
  - July 2016, Washington, DC
  - Feb 2017, Sunnyvale, CA
  - Oct 4-5, 2017, National Library of Medicine, Bethesda, Maryland
    - System architecture/software; data representation/curation; research related to representation and use of massive knowledge graphs
    - Domains discussed: Biomedical, Finance, Geoscience, Manufacturing

CISE DCL on Cloud Computing

- Expand upon partnership initiated in BIGDATA 2017, with AWS, Google, Microsoft
- Capitalize on the cloud providers’ proven track records in state-of-the-art, on-demand, cloud computing
- Benefits of partnership
  - Access by CISE research and education community to a range of useful resources and services —scalable storage; real-time analytics; streaming data services; state-of-the-art compute nodes;
  - Ability to experiment with real datasets where scale and performance are key considerations. Exploit resources offered by the cloud providers
Harnessing the Data Revolution: Education

Science domains

- Envisioning the Data Science Discipline: The Undergraduate Perspective, National Academy of Sciences, study/workshops
  - [https://www.nap.edu/catalog/24886/](https://www.nap.edu/catalog/24886/) (Interim Report)

- Keeping Data Science Broad: Negotiating the Digital and Data Divide, Oct.31-Nov.1, 2017, Atlanta, GA (Renata Rawlings-Goss, GaTech)

- Convergence/HDR Workshop: Social Science Insights for 21st Century Data Science Education (SSI) (PI: Cathryn Carson, co-Pis: David Culler, Saul Perlmutter, Berkeley)

Putting it all Together: Translational Data Science

*Application of data science techniques, tools in science and other applications domains*

- **1st** Workshop on Translational Data Science, June 26-27, 2017, U.Chicago (Robert Grossman, Chicago; Raghu Machiraju, OSU)

- **2nd** Workshop on TDS, November 13-14, UC Berkeley (David Culler, Berkeley)

- **3rd** Workshop on TDS, planned for March 2018 (Kathy McKeown, Columbia; Juliana Freire, NYU; Deborah Estrin, Cornell Tech)
Data Science Corps
Getting your hands dirty with data!

• VISION
  – Provide practical experiences, teach new skills, and offer teaching opportunities in data science to U.S. data scientists and data science students, in the service of science and society

• MISSION:
  – Enable U.S. data scientists and data science students to obtain practical experience with data-intensive applications;
  – Promote a better understanding of the power of data, and the role that data can play in addressing issues at the local, regional, national, and international levels;
  – Teach data literacy and provide basic training in data science to the existing workforce in communities, organizations, and institutions at the local, state, national, and international levels
Thank You!

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