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 GLOBAL CITY
TEAMS CHALLENGE

2021 AG OUTLOOK FORUM – RD PANEL SUPPORT/ENABLE RURAL PROSPERITY AND QUALITY OF LIFE GOALS

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Outline

- Digital Agriculture and Technology
- State of California case study
- State of Indiana case study
- Mapping challenge
- Connectivity requirements

What is Digital Agriculture?

Digital agriculture is the realm in which our physical and social world is fused through digital devices. Integrated characterization and modeling improves decision making using modern data-intensive technologies that collect, connect, curate, communicate, and compute.



<http://www.fao.org/3/a-i5564e.pdf>

NEW PERSPECTIVE ON FARMING

- DRIVEN BY TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION, MULTI-BENEFITS, REAL TIME

RURAL BROADBAND

New Agriculture Technology

Production

Water^R

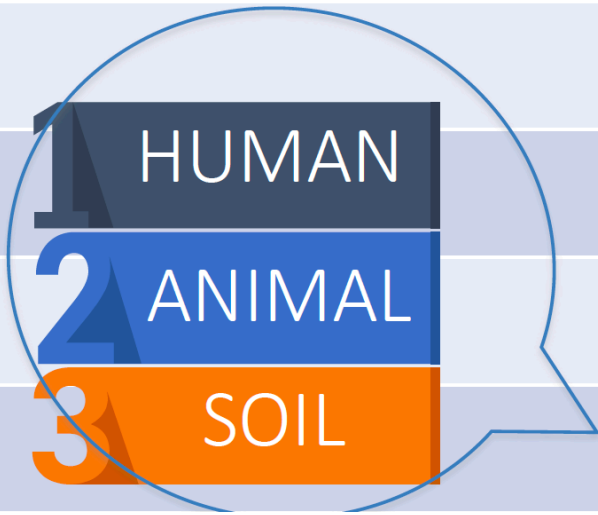
^Regulations

ENERGY^R

ENVIRONMENT^R

FOOD SAFETY^R

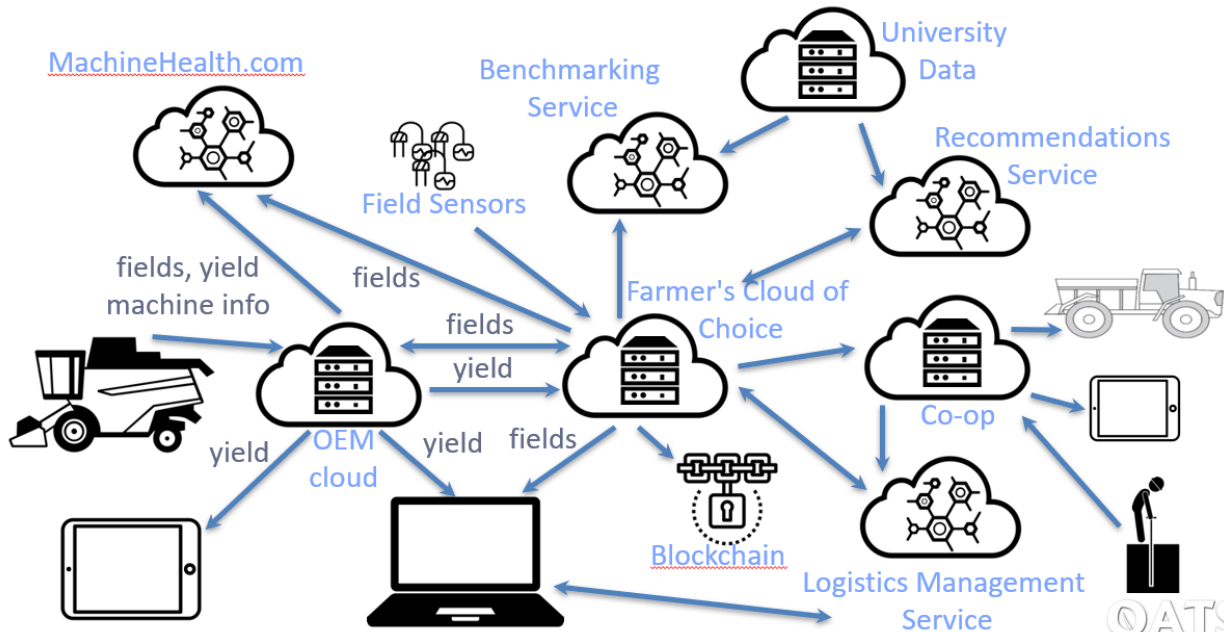
HEALTH^R



Interoperability – still a challenge

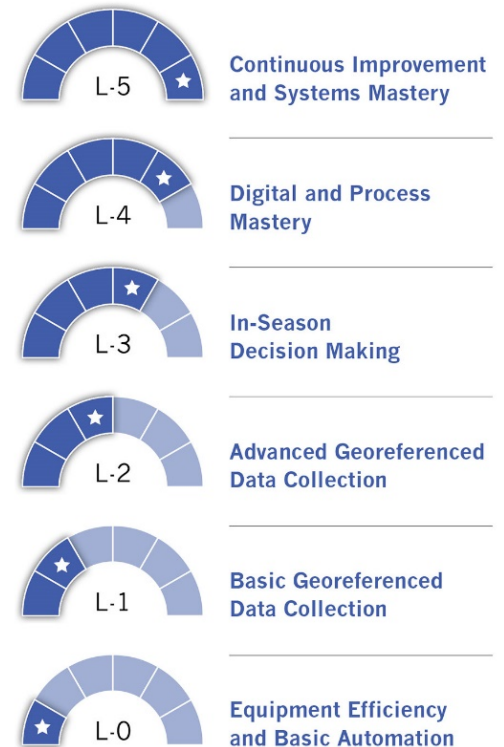
- Requires cooperation amidst competition
- Many stakeholders
- Multiple platforms and systems each with a “piece of the pie”
- Can enable efficiency, sustainability, traceability

Connection-based Architecture for Automated Data



SIX LEVELS OF PRECISION AGRICULTURE ADOPTION

The PrecisionAg® Institute, administered by Meister Media Worldwide along with its Partner organizations, have proposed these six levels of precision adoption for row crop growers.



Source: PrecisionAg® Institute; PrecisionAg.com/Institute

California Agriculture Innovation Strategy – University of California – THE VINE

Agriculture + Technology to Address the Challenges

1. Internet of Things for the farm
2. Big data, machine learning, AI
3. Genomics, CRISPR/CAS9
4. Robotics and mechatronics
5. Plant biotechnology
6. Rural connectivity
7. Food science technology
8. Clean energy technology

The Need for Ag Innovation Ecosystem in CA

California Challenges for AgTech & Ag Innovation

- Lots of point solutions, no integration
- Heavy marketing, dubious science
- Silicon Valley and food valleys need each another, but cultures are different
- Workforce pipeline is not developed
- Need patient capital
- Accelerators aren't designed for Ag/Food models
- There is no world-class innovation ecosystem for agriculture – there is nothing like The VINE



Places Needed for Innovation in Agriculture

Research



Co-Creation Under One Roof:
Startup Commercialization
Student Education
Corporate Innovation
Academic Research
Field Trials and Demonstration

Indoor Agriculture



Working & Meeting



Wet Labs



Engineering Lab



AgTech Testing Fields



Rural/Urban Settings



Create Agriculture Technology Testing at Field Innovation Centers

Precision irrigation



Ag robotics



Internet of Things



Big Data

Distance learning



Drones



Field days/conferences



Partnership for Precision Plant Breeding

Crop Genetic Gain and Resilience

Genomics

Plant, Animal, Human and Microbial

Gene and Trait Associations

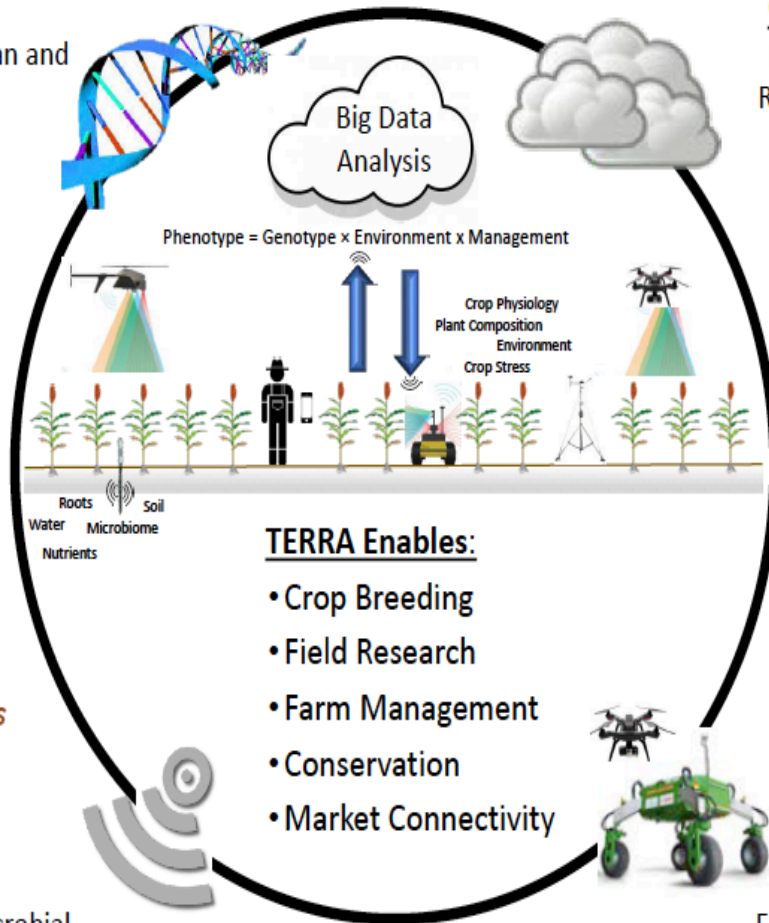
Phenomics

Phenotype Reference Standards (Lab & Field)

High Resolution Crop Phenotypes

Sensors

Plant, Root, Soil, Microbial and Environmental



TERRA Enables:

- Crop Breeding
- Field Research
- Farm Management
- Conservation
- Market Connectivity

High Throughput Field Data Acquisition

Cloud Computing

Distributed Databases, Remote Access, Scalable

Prediction Algorithms

Data Analytics

High Performance Information Pipelines

AI - Machine Learning

Robotics

Field Deployable, Scalable and Economical



INTEGRATION OF BIOLOGY x ENGINEERING x COMPUTER SCIENCE

Purdue University Ag Research Centers

We achieved approximately 2 miles in a one hop LoRa communication

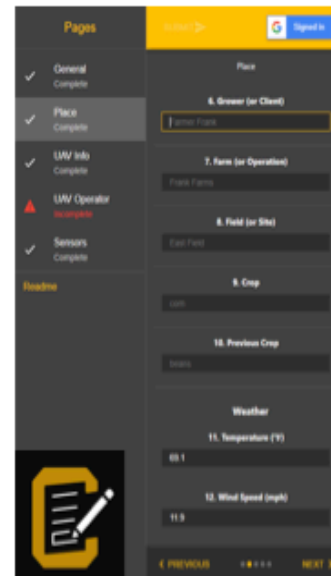
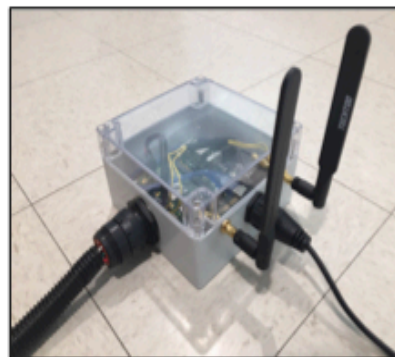
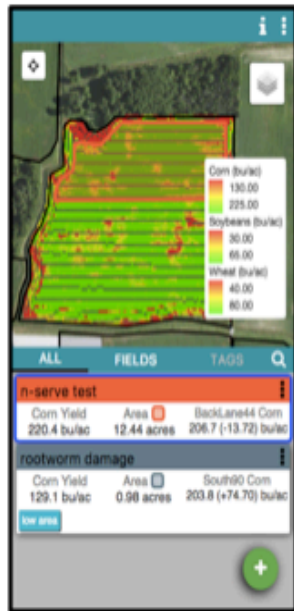
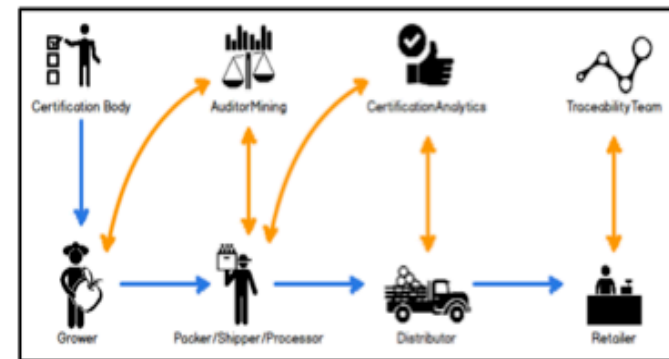


Purdue Open Ag Technology & Systems Center Developments

- ISOBlue telematics – support for logistics as well as artificial intelligence
- Food traceability for security and safety
- TrialsTracker app
- Livestock treatments & weighing
- CONTxT metadata app

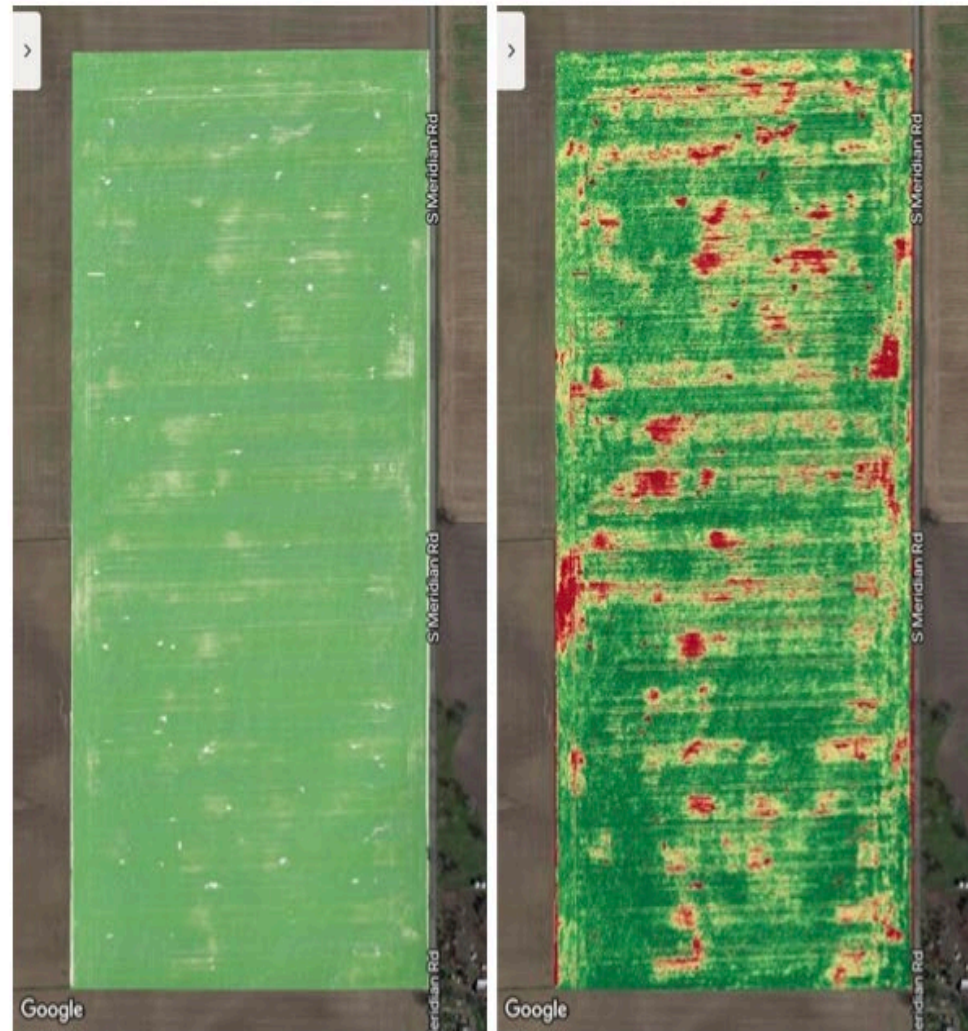


Open Agriculture Technologies and Systems



Real time connection is often critical

- UAV (~ 40 MB/s)
 - Big picture
 - Closer view
 - Take action
- RGB
- Multispectral & hyperspectral images
- LiDAR
- Thermography
- On-ground and in air machine to machine communications enable ...

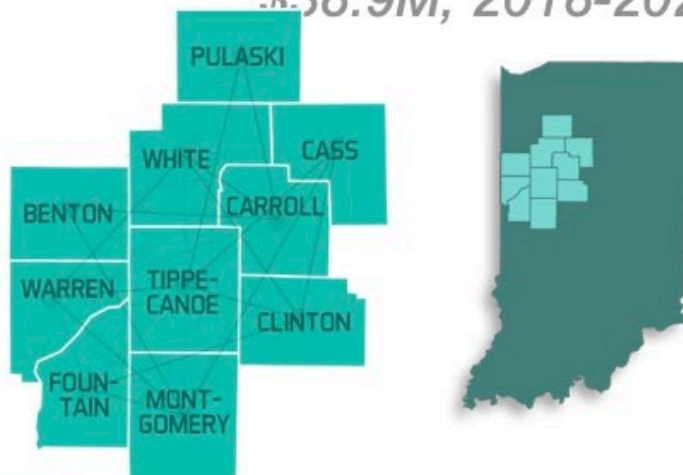


Impact of sulfur deficiency – easily corrected if you know in time.

Wabash Heartland Innovation Network

The Wabash Heartland Innovation Network

\$38.9M, 2018-2022



1. Demonstrate **large-scale wireless IoT network at work.**
2. Bring the entire **vertical software and hardware stack** together (sensing technologies, wireless protocols, distributed algorithms, and data analytics).
3. Engage companies to use **IoT testbed** to experiment and showcase latest developments. A platform for **benchmarking** smart communities.



Purdue/WHIN Region as a sandbox to test new IoT technologies



Purdue – Birck Center

Roll-to-roll nanomanufacturing

PURDUE UNIVERSITY
Discovery Park

R2R Inkjet/Laserjet

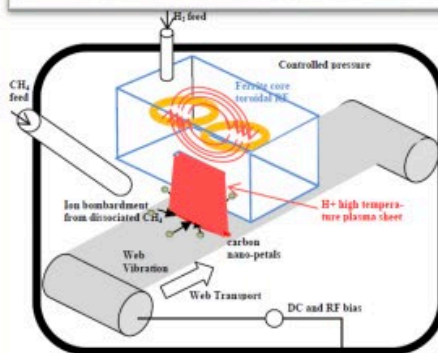


Installed June 2015; April 2018

Microgravure Slot Die



Installed Sept. 2013



Plasma CVD

Installed Dec. 2014



R2R Functional Film

Low cost sensor manufacturing

Installed May 2018



Low Cost Sensor Manufacturing – Purdue University

**Chiu (ME)
Cheng (IE)**

Electrodes (Ag/AgCl)
Inkjet, Screen Printing,
Evaporation, Laser

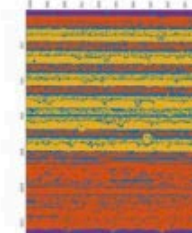
**Cakmak (MSE/ME)
Wei (Chemistry)**

**Ion selective
membrane, Solid
electrolyte,
Passivation**
Multistrip, Slot die,

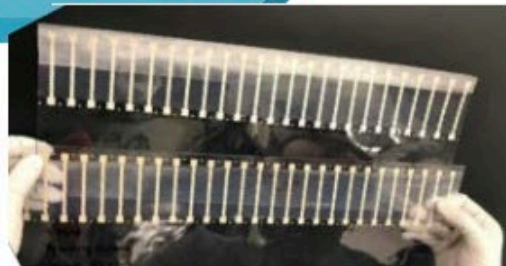
**Allebach (ECE)
Chiu (ME)
Shakouri (ECE)**

**Imaging quality
control**

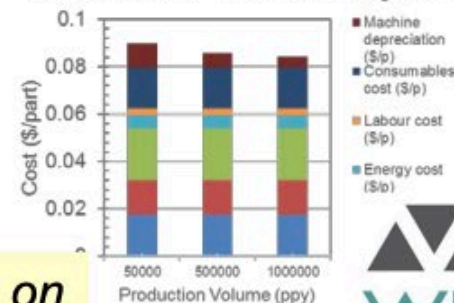
**Flexible
substrate**
(PET, PLA,
Paper)



**Coordination:
Glassmaker (BRK)
Telesnicki (BRK)**



**Mansson (MSE/ChE)
Technical cost analysis**



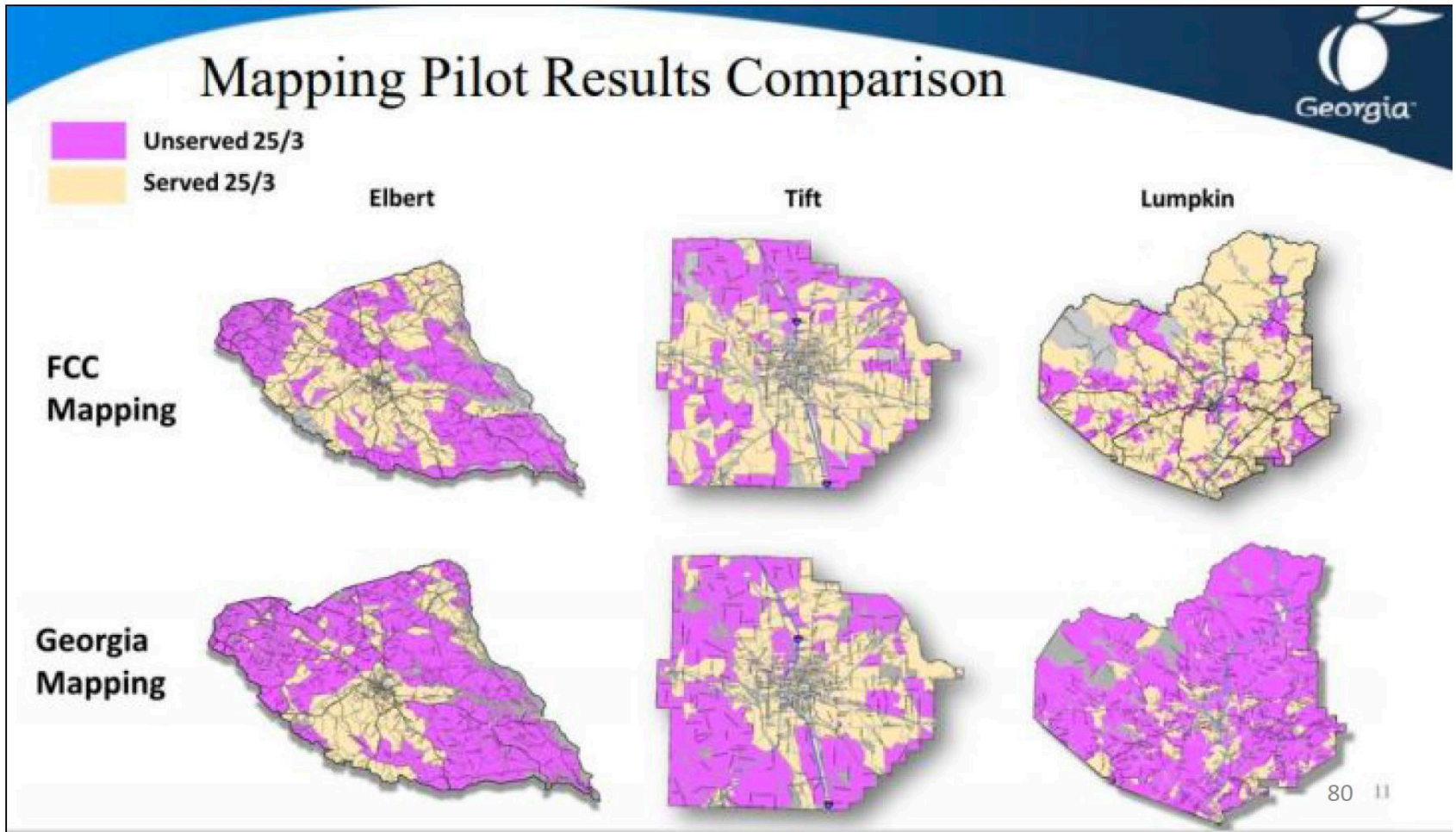
**Teams (Faculty/ Dept.) working on
sensor manufacturing**



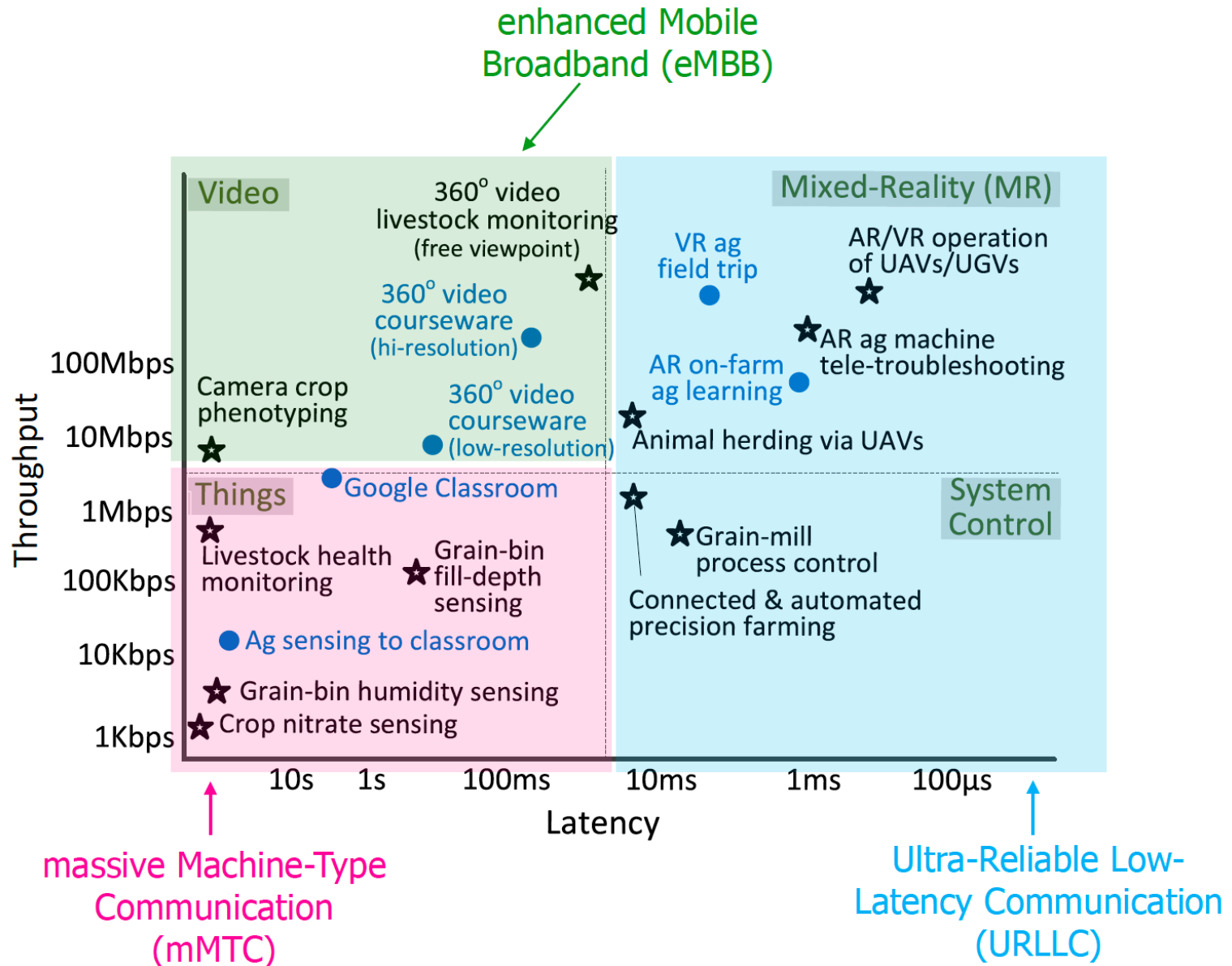
Importance of Accuracy in Mapping

Georgia decided to map broadband availability to prove that maps prepared by FCC are inaccurate. **A three-county pilot shows the federal maps missed half of all addresses without broadband service.** The statewide survey is scheduled to be completed by June. (Emma Hurt/Marketplace)

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Wireless Requirement (Connectivity versus Broadband)



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