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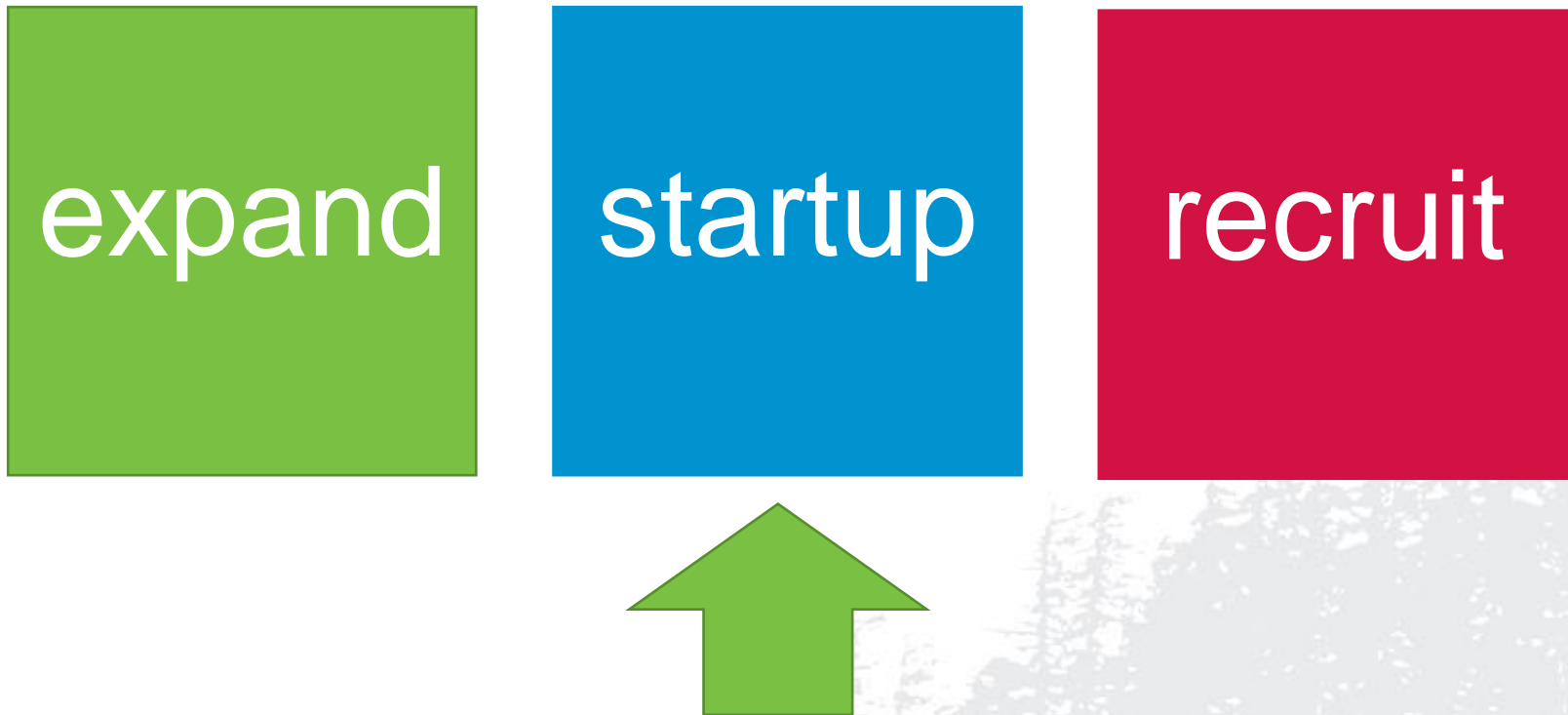
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# What we do

**Building blocks of economic development**



**Innovation & Entrepreneurship Department**





# GROW

# Defining Terms

**ec·o·sys·tem** - 'ēkō ,sistəm/

1. a biological community of interacting organisms and their physical environment.
2. (in general use) a complex network or interconnected system.
3. "Silicon Valley's entrepreneurial ecosystem"

# Defining Terms

**in·no·vate** - 'inə ,vāt/

1. make changes in something established, especially by introducing new methods, ideas, or products.
2. "the company's failure to diversify and innovate competitively"
3. introduce (something new, especially a product).
4. "innovating new products, developing existing ones"

# Defining Terms

**en-tre-pre-neur** - äntɹəprə'nər/

1. one who undertakes. one who takes on.
2. a person who organizes and operates a business or businesses, taking on greater than normal financial risks in order to do so.

# Assess the Land



- Historical
- Existing
- Resources
- Culture
- Workforce
- Strengths



# Till the Soil



- Investigate
- Communicate
- Champions
- Assign Roles
- Build a Plan
- Bond

# Enrich



- Educate
- Train
- Find Mentors
- MeetUps
- Build Lists
- Keep it Up

# Plant the Seeds



- Recruit
- Raise the Bar
- Set Expectations
- Tough Love
- Nurture Growth
- Inspire



# Feed and Water



- Mentor
- Incubate
- Accelerate
- Network
- Promote
- Fund



# Business Oregon Innovation & Entrepreneurship (I&E)

## Innovation

- STEM
- Makers/Inventors
- University Tech Transfer
- R&D, patents, prototyping
- Federal Grants (SBIR/STTR)

# Business Oregon Innovation & Entrepreneurship (I&E)

## Entrepreneurship

- Incubators
- Accelerators
- Technical Service Providers
  - SBDCs
  - EDDs
  - Mentors, consultants

# Business Oregon Innovation & Entrepreneurship Capital (I&E)

- Crowdfunding (Kickstarter, Kiva)
- Intrastate Exemption (CPO)
- Oregon Growth Board
  - Microfinance
  - Seed Funds
  - Angel Contests
  - Angel Groups
  - Venture

# The Road Ahead

**“The most important skill of the future will be the ability to learn and adapt.”**

– Vivek Wadhwa (Stanford, SingularityU)

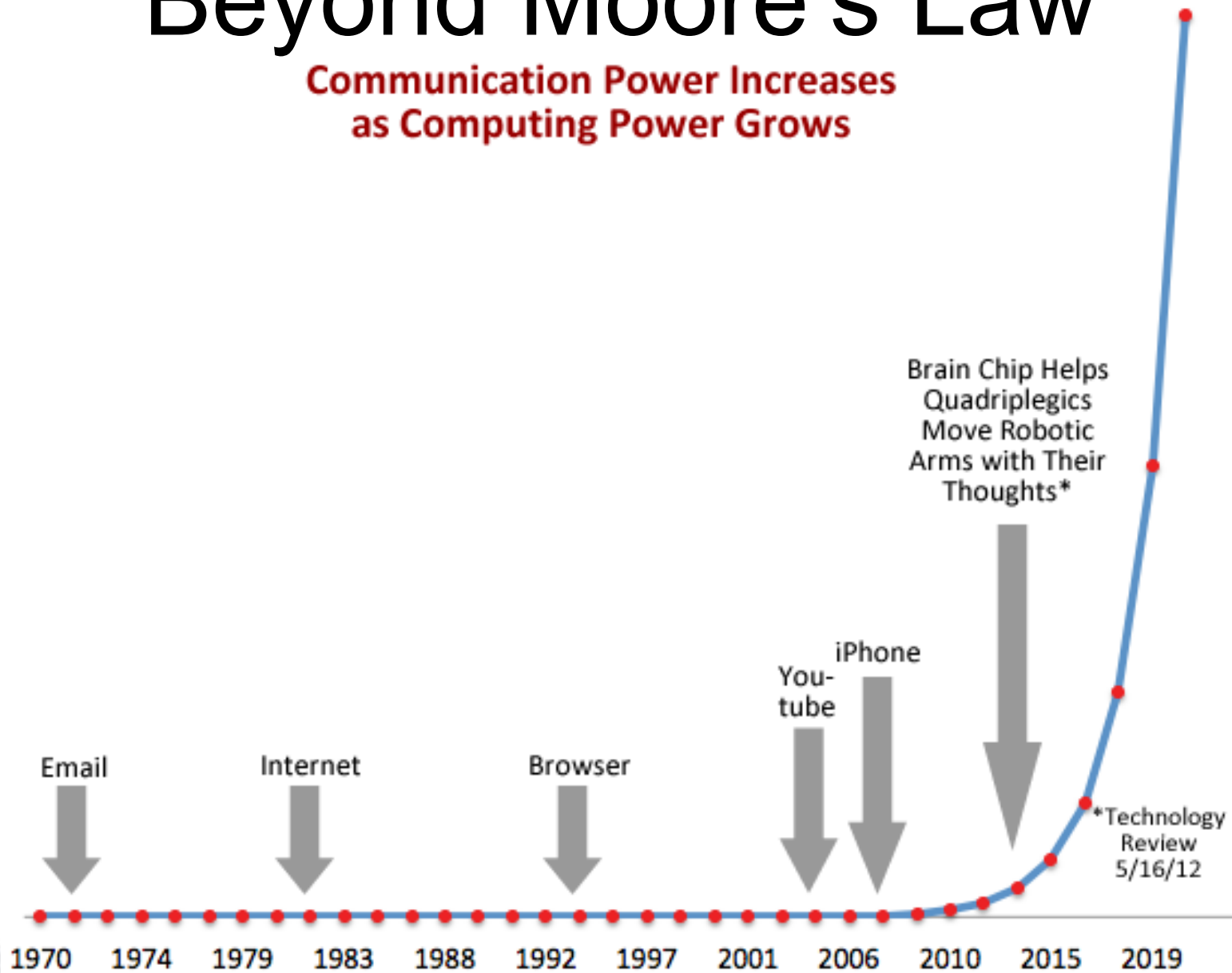
## Moore's Law

Computing power doubles every two years since 1970



# Beyond Moore's Law

Communication Power Increases  
as Computing Power Grows



# 3D Printing



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# Transportation



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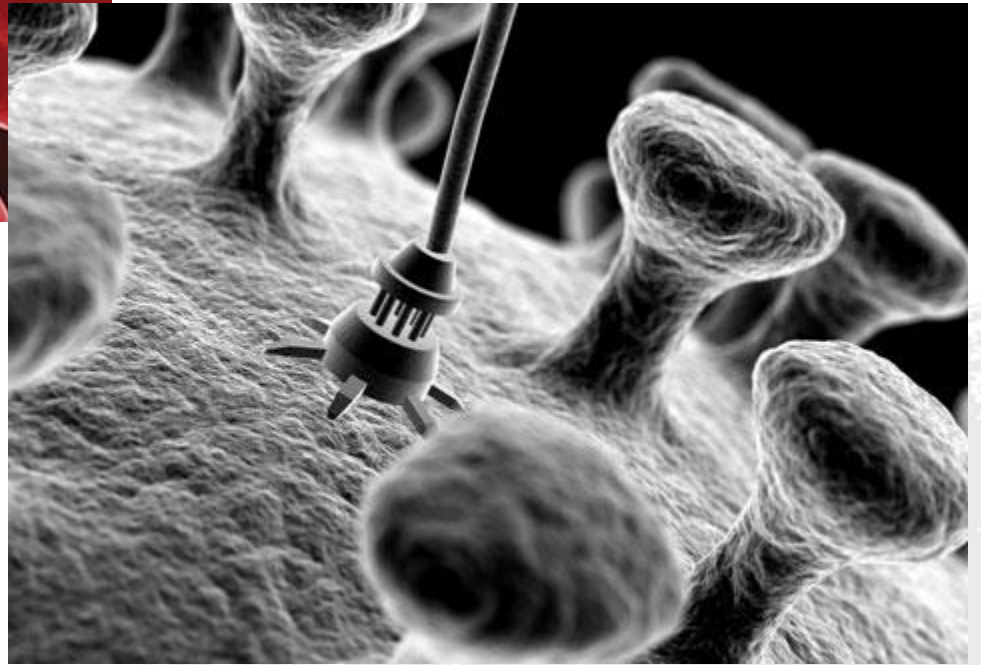




# Robotics

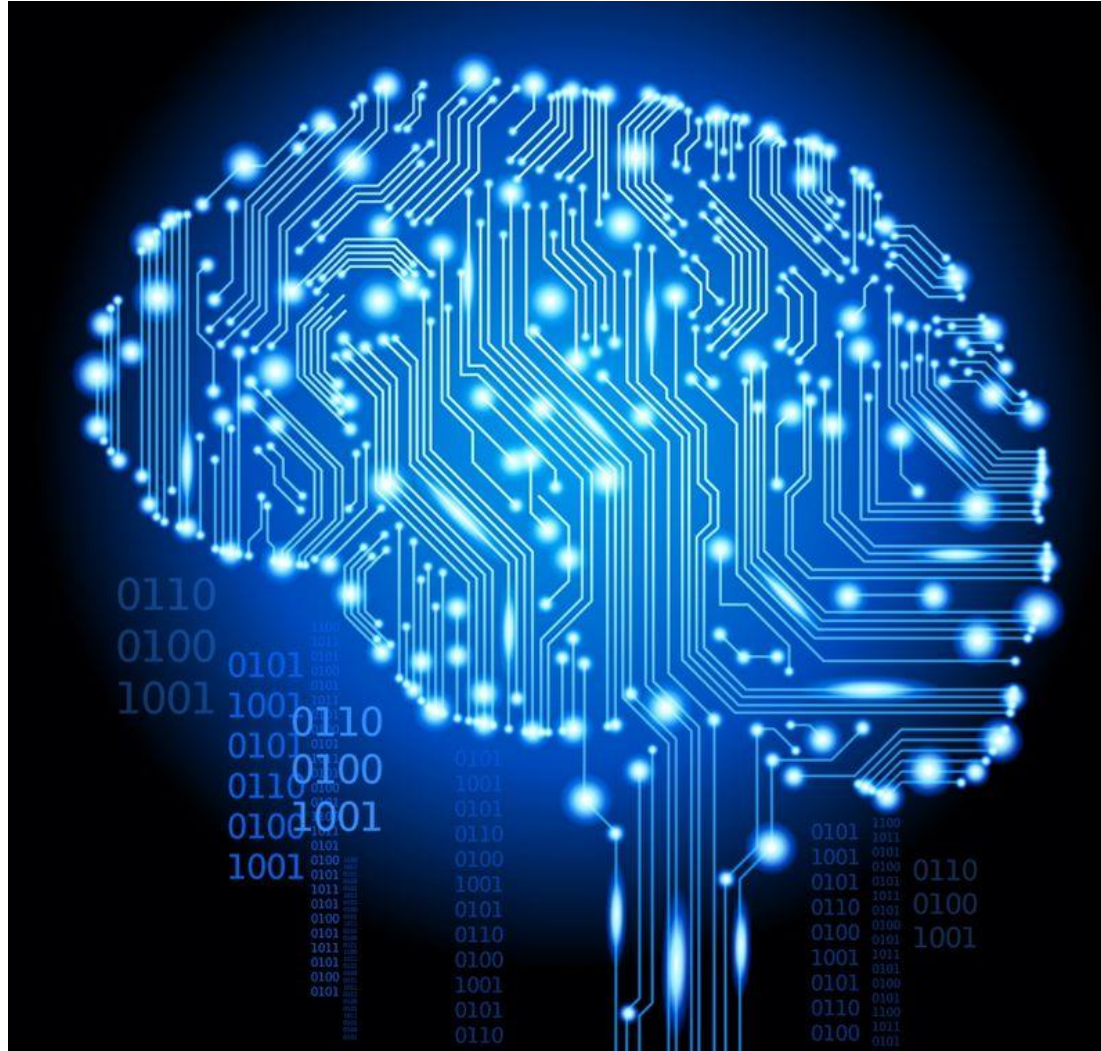


# Nano Robotics





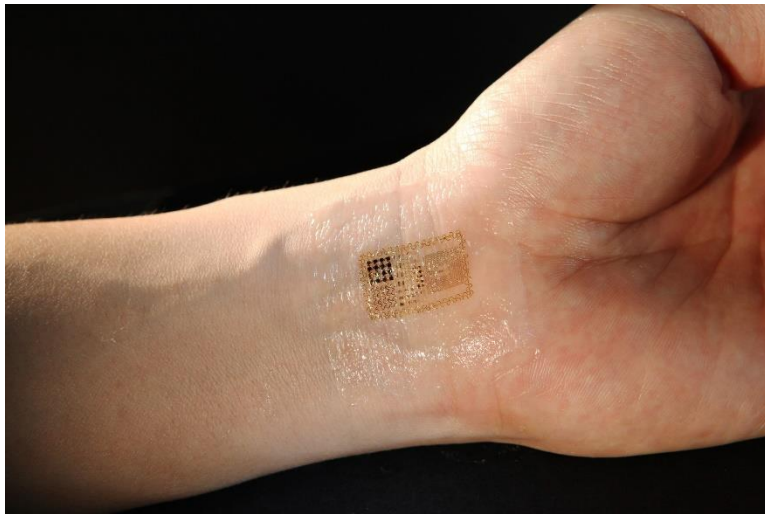
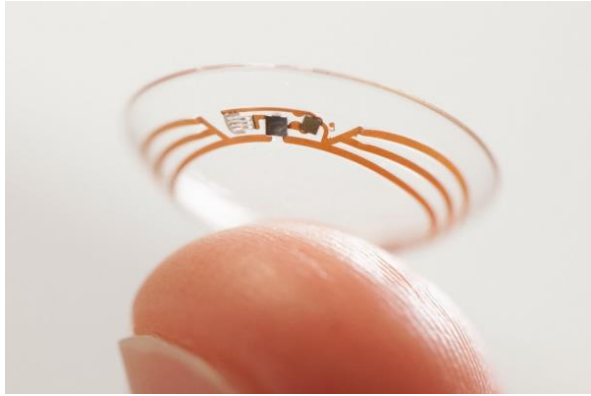
# Artificial Intelligence (AI)



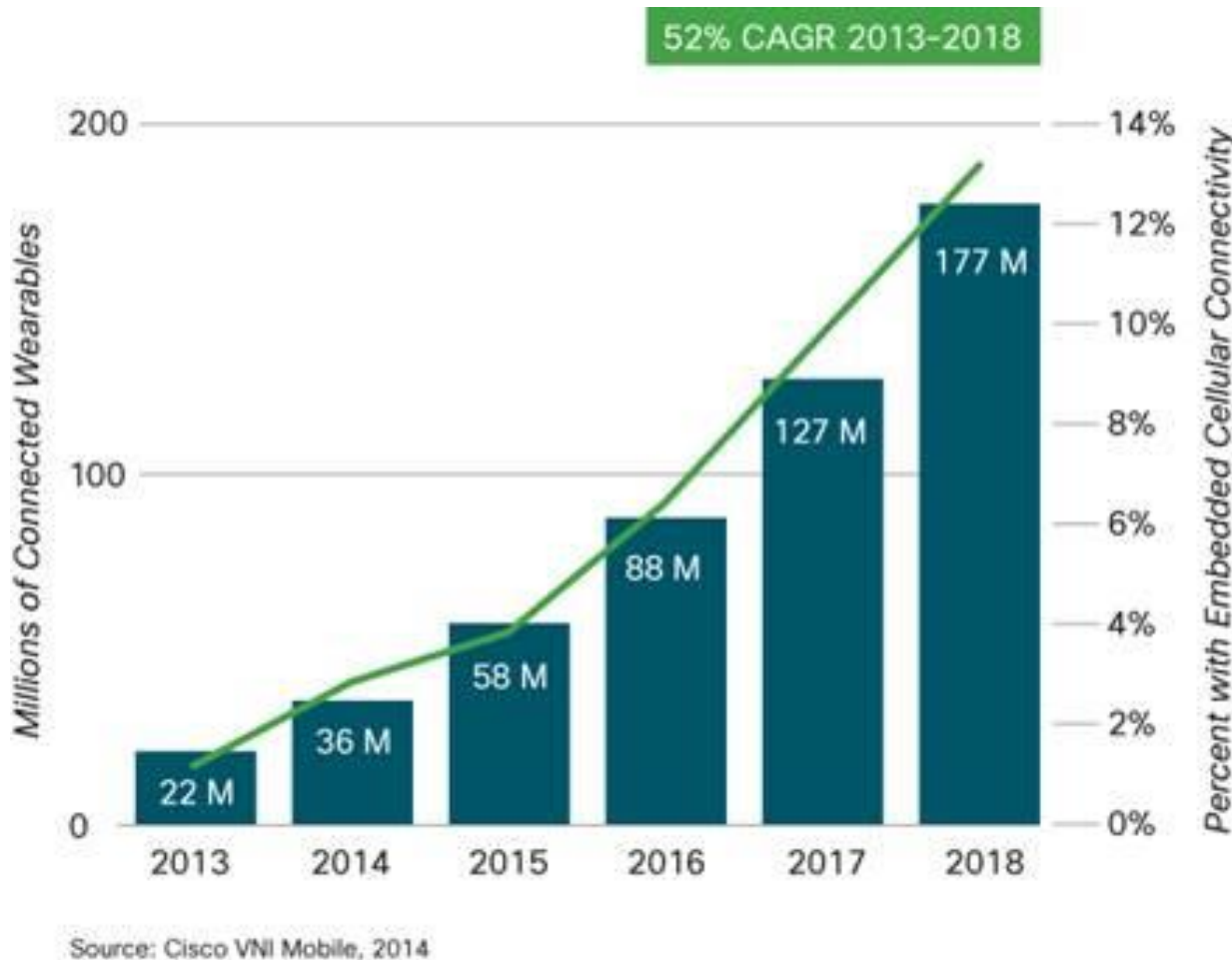
# Internet of Things (IoT)



# Wearable Tech

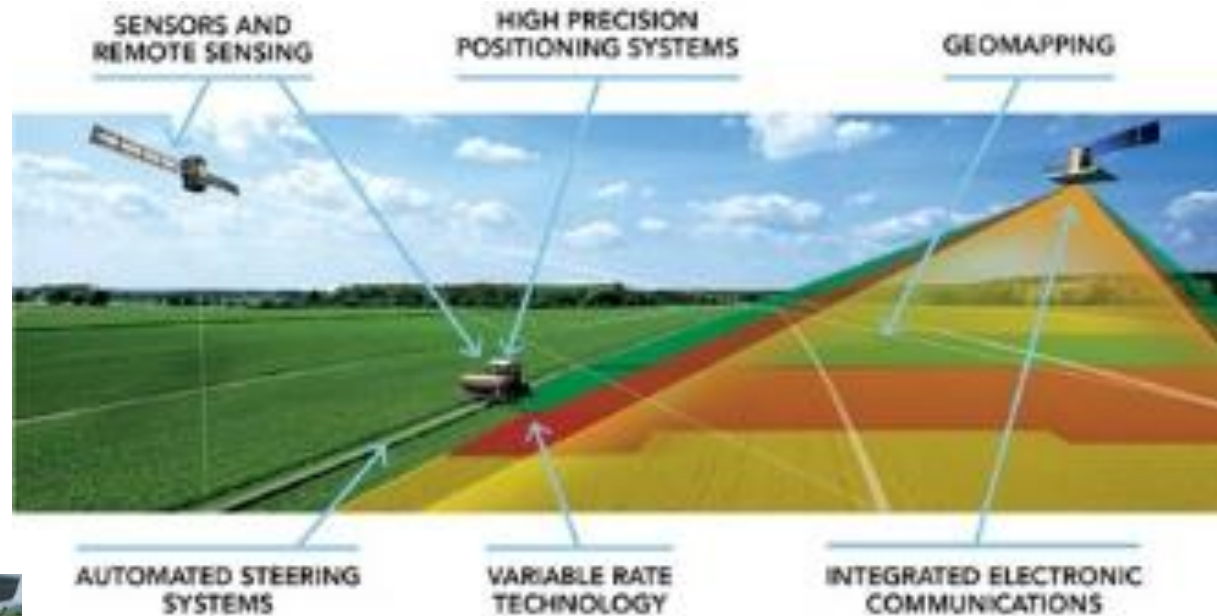


# Wearable Tech





# Precision Farming (Ag Tech)







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Kanth Gopalpur – EIR at Innovation & Entrepreneurship (I&E)

# Kanth Gopalpur

## Entrepreneur in Residence

- Entrepreneur
- Investor
- Ecosystem Builder
- TiE Oregon
- State Entrepreneur in Residence

# Entrepreneur in Residence

- EIR Role
- Role at Business Oregon I&E
- Strengths and Weaknesses in Oregon
- Opportunities ahead
- How the state can support
  - Incentivize, catalyze, partner, invest, provide framework, recruit talent



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