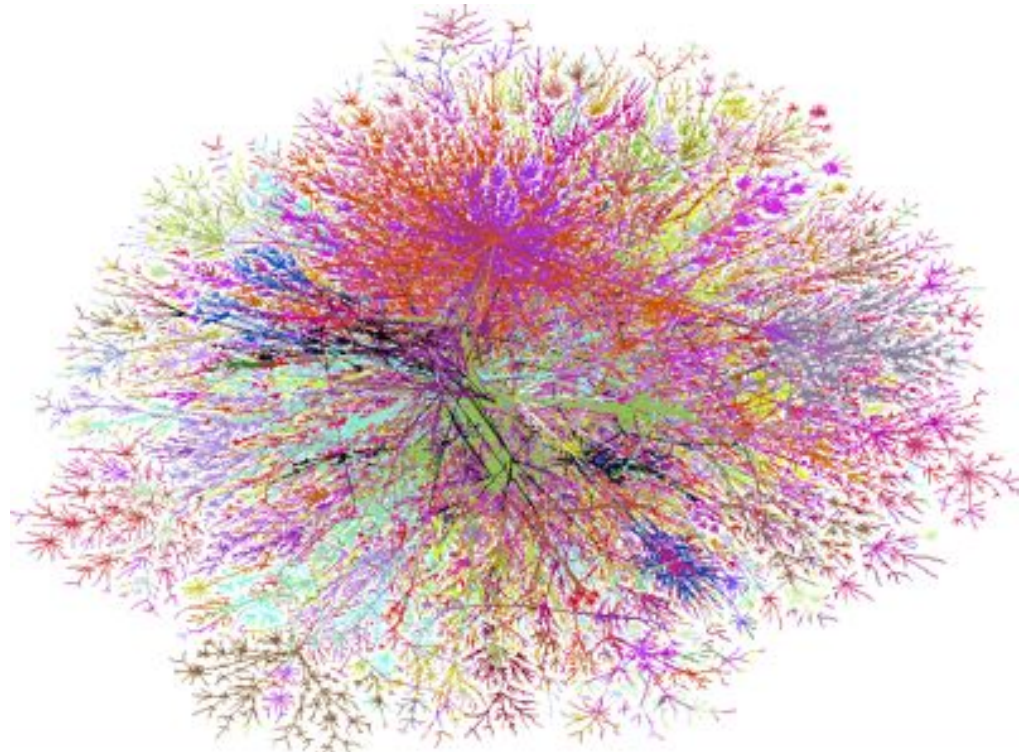


Research in ICT

- what we should do, and why it matters



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Who am I?

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Leading a research group with 20 people spanning both institutions

Focusing on Networks and Resilience











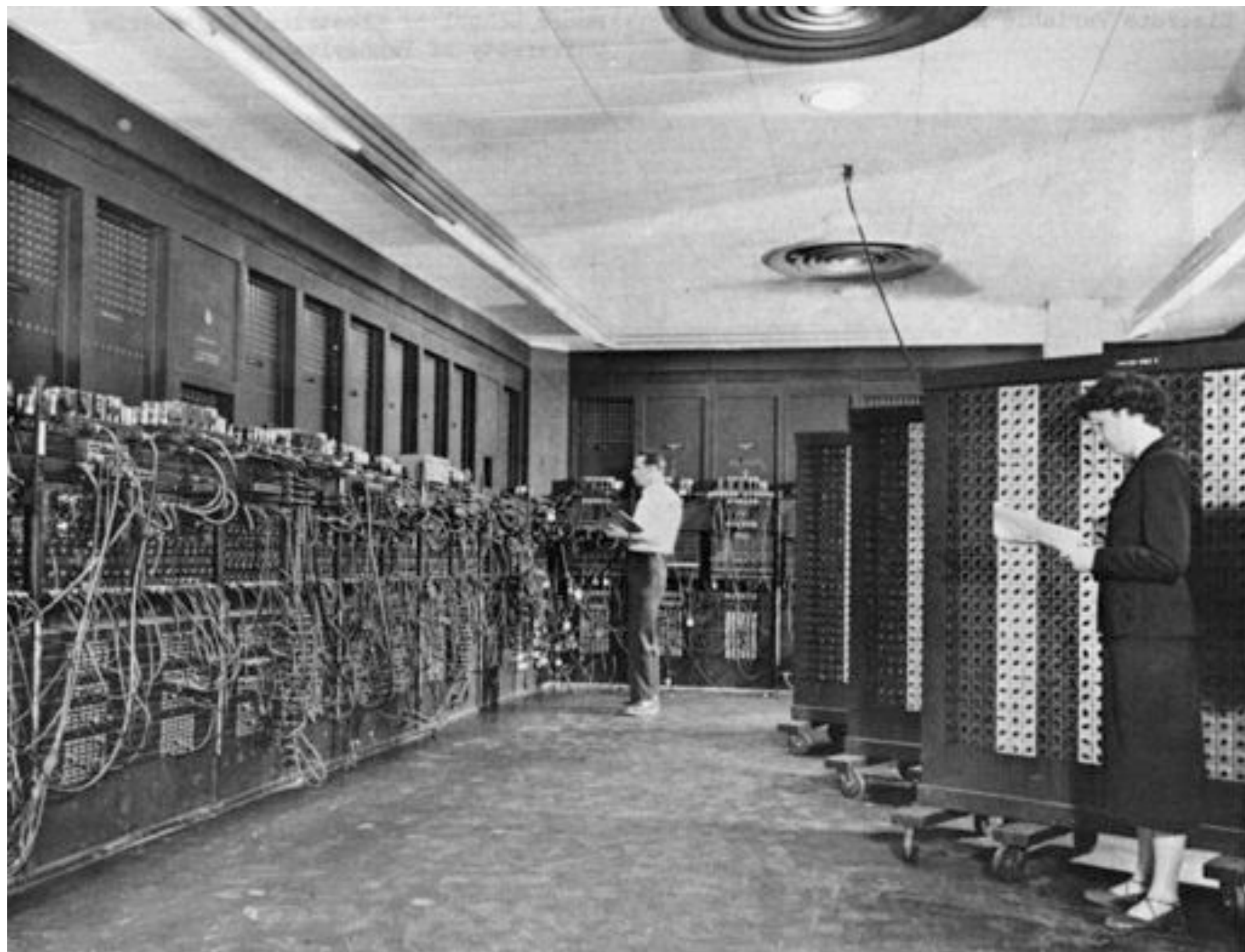
"It's a great invention but who would want to use it anyway?"

President Rutherford B. Hayes after a demonstration of Bell's telephone

"The Americans have need of the telephone, but we do not. We have plenty of messenger boys."

Sir William Preece, Chief Engineer, British Post Office, 1876









"I think there is a world market for maybe five computers."

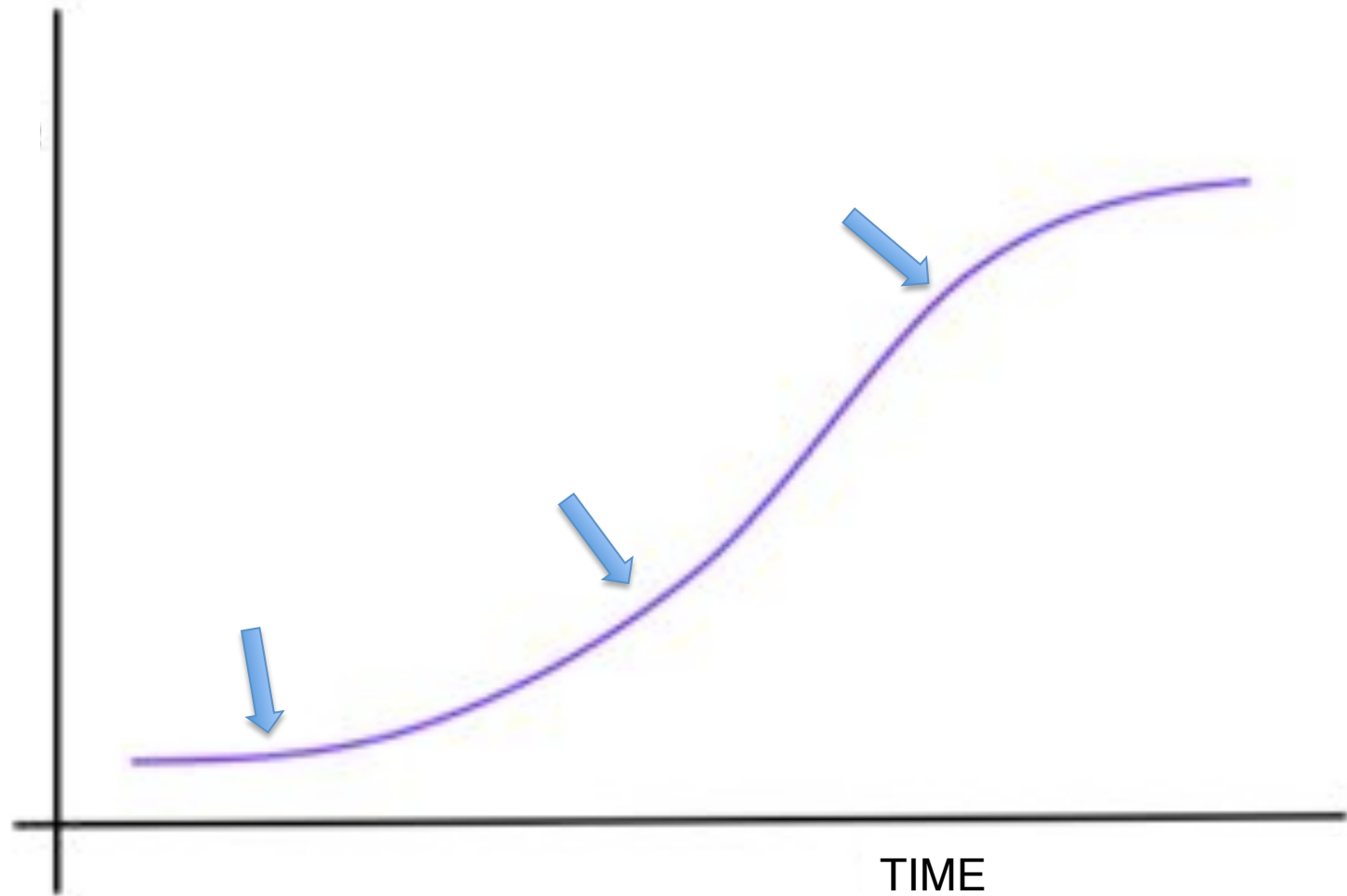
Thomas Watson, Chairman, IBM 1949

"There is no reason for any individual to have a computer in his home."

Ken Olson, President, Digital Equipment Corporation, 1977



IMPACT ON
SOCIETY



“Important topics for the future” is a notion that takes on different meanings depending on who you ask



Approaches to research agenda

What does industry say they need?

What do researchers say is necessary?

What do we have a potential to be good at?

WHAT IS THE REASON THAT SOCIETY NEEDS A NEW LARGE PROGRAM ON ICT?

WHAT IS GOING ON?

1: Infrastructures are moving from being important to being critical.



WHAT IS GOING ON?

2: Personal information systems are moving from being “nice to have” to being important.
They will soon become critical



WHAT IS GOING ON?

3: Almost every conceivable innovation on sustainability and future growth will both be enabled, and limited, by ICT

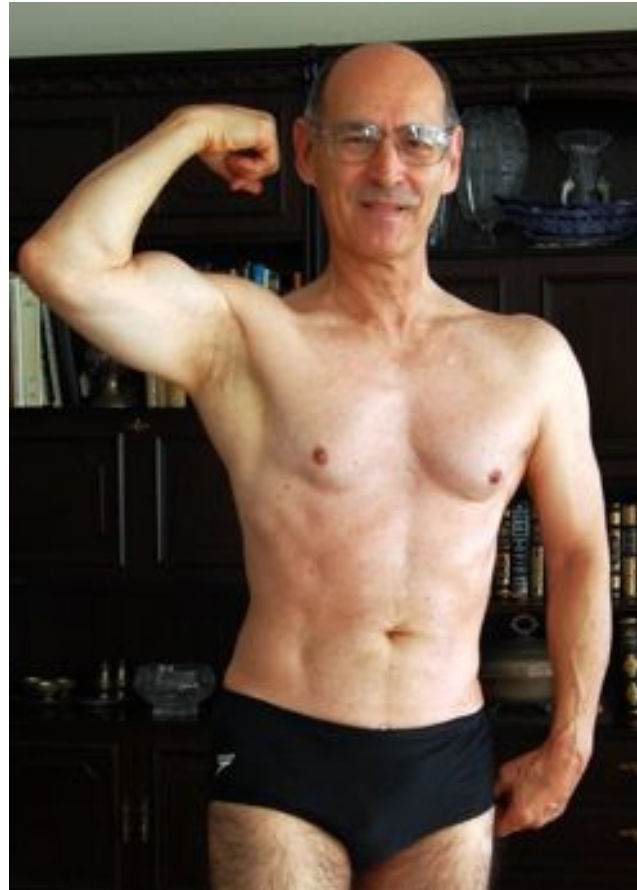


ENGAGE ALL NORWEGIAN RESEARCH POTENTIAL



APPEAL TO ALL OF NORWEGIAN ICT INDUSTRY

Topics should age gracefully



Bruergrensesnitt,
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forvaltning
og program-
vareteknologi

Kommunika-
sjonsteknologi
og infrastruktur

Sikkerhet,
personvern
og sårbarhet

Samfunns-
messige,
økonomiske
og kulturelle
utfordringer
og muligheter

Fremtidens internett

Sosiale nettverk

Tingenes internett

Mobilt internett

ASPECTS – ARE STABLE

APPLICATION AREAS – CHANGE FAST

TECHNOLOGIES AND INFRASTRUCTURES – DO CHANGE, BUT MORE SLOWLY

MOST IMPORTANT ASPECTS

SECURITY

AVAILABILITY

TRUSTABILITY

GREENNESS

**MAN/SOCIETY - MACHINE/INFRASTRUCTURE
INTERDEPENDANCY**

Interdisciplinarity within our own field



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Verilog or VHDL

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PCB-design

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Influence on individuals and on society

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Streaming & Media

Application layer protocols

Architectures for Distributed Systems

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Live Migration

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Understand Infrastructures



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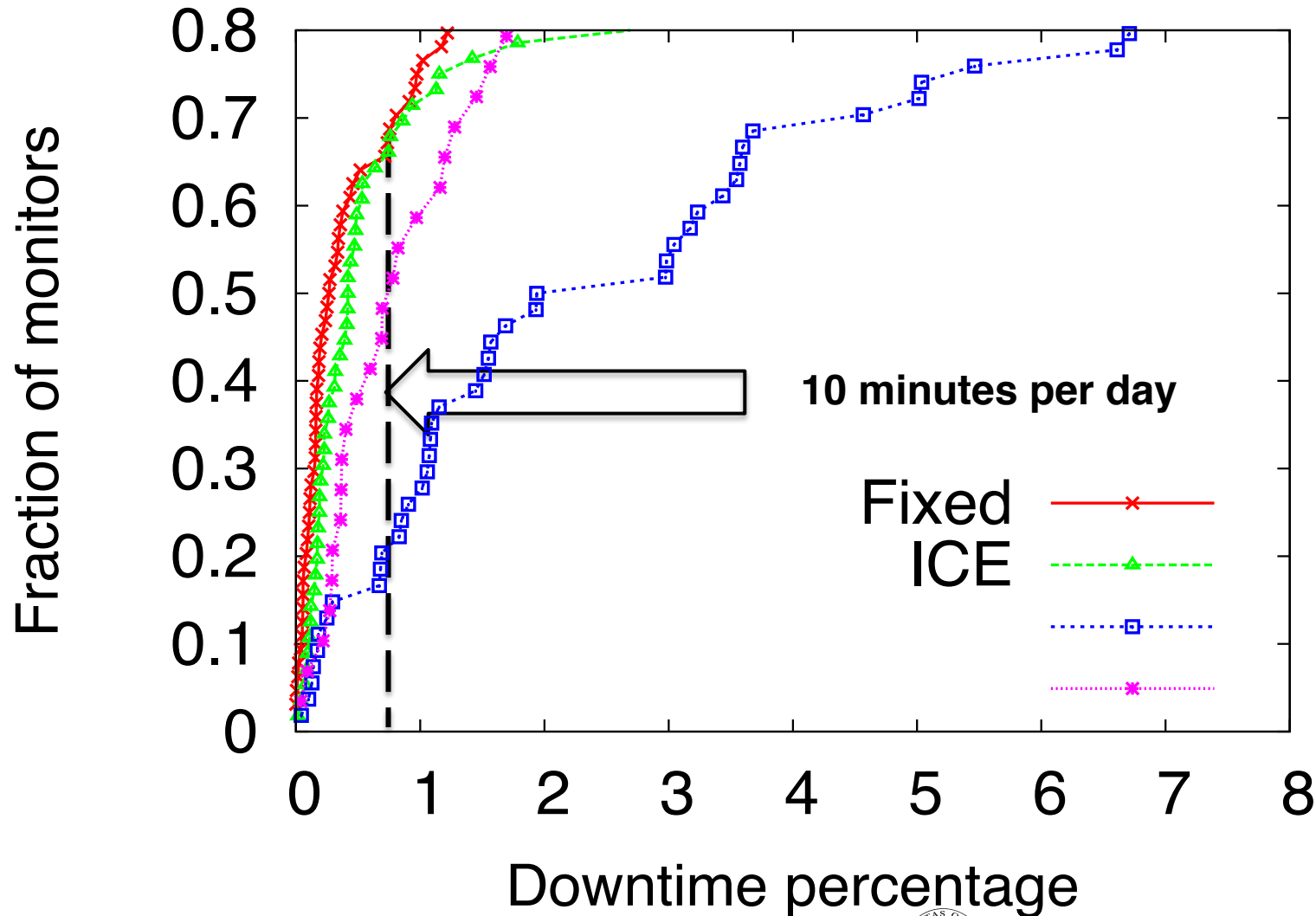
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There are large differences in stability between operators and between monitors in the same operator



To conclude – here are my two pence:

Aspects – these will remain important for the foreseeable future:

- **Security**
- **Availability**
- **Man/society/machine/infrastructure interdependency**
- **Green IT**
- **Cross disciplinary within our own field**

Application areas – these change fast:

- **Start with Medicine, Smart*, Subsea-IT**
- **We must have agility in the program on applications**

Technologies and Infrastructures – change at a moderate speed:

- **Networks, cloud facilities, novel user interfaces, electronics**
- **We must have agility in the program**



