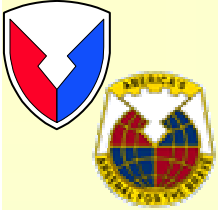




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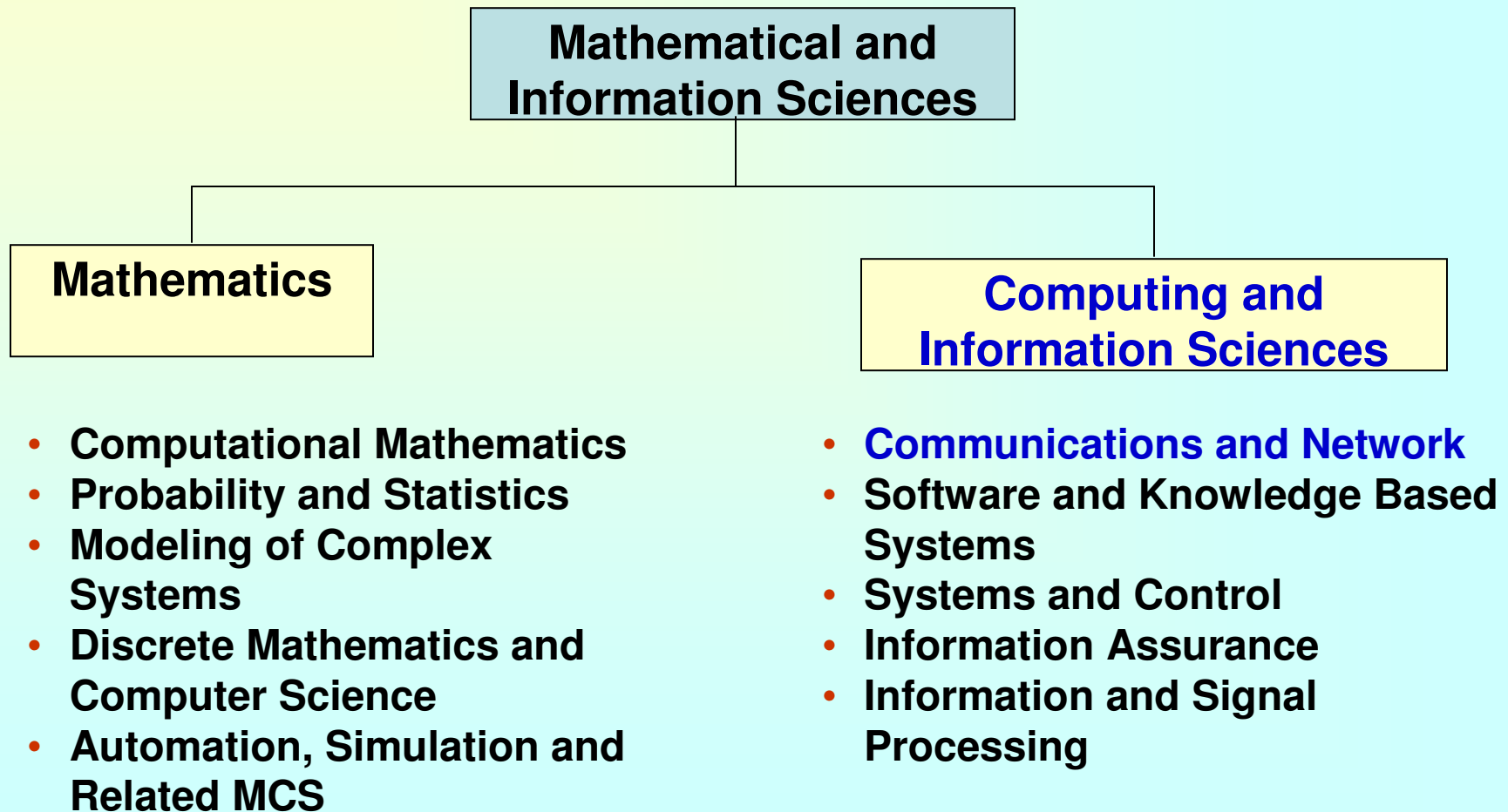
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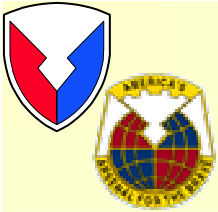
Wireless Communications  
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## **ARO Research Interests**

- **Research Objectives**

- Create technologies with which to design and implement highly mobile MANET wireless tactical and sensor communications networks needed by the Army. This requires high throughput with low probability of intercept / detection (LPI/LPD) / Anti-Jam (AJ) capabilities.

- **Key Ideas**

- MANET

- Highly mobile: connectivity and channel issues
- No centralized control or base station
- LPI / LPD AJ
- Near far interference
- Various QoS Requirements

- Sensor Networks

- Extremely low energy
- Networked to IP world via gateway
- Potentially 1000's of nodes





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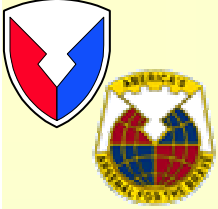
- **Areas to emphasize**

- Cross layer between physical and MAC (and above)
- Frequency hop

- **Areas not emphasized**

- DS / CDMA cellular
- Wired communications
- Long haul point-to-point wireless
- Satellite communications

***Sponsored Research in DoD Unique Problems***



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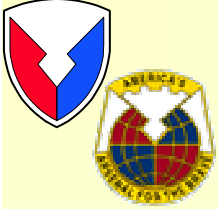
# New Thrusts

## Currently Funding:

- **Fundamental limits of Wireless Mobile Ad-Hoc and Sensor Networks**
- **Networking with antenna arrays**
  - Both MIMO and directional transmit beamsteering

## Potential new areas:

- **Low energy combined sensor, sensor fusion, communications**
- **High fidelity simulation of very large networks**
  - 100's or 1000's of nodes
  - Each interfering with each other: each link must be calculated



## *ARO Communications and Networks Program*



# Funding

## Single Investigator Process (typical)

- White papers sent in late spring summer (50)
- Proposals encouraged for submission September
- Proposals should be received by November (10)
- Proposals reviewed by peers and Army scientists
- Funding in May (3-4)
- Usually 1 student / 1 month (release or summer)

*Single investigator funding very limited at this time*