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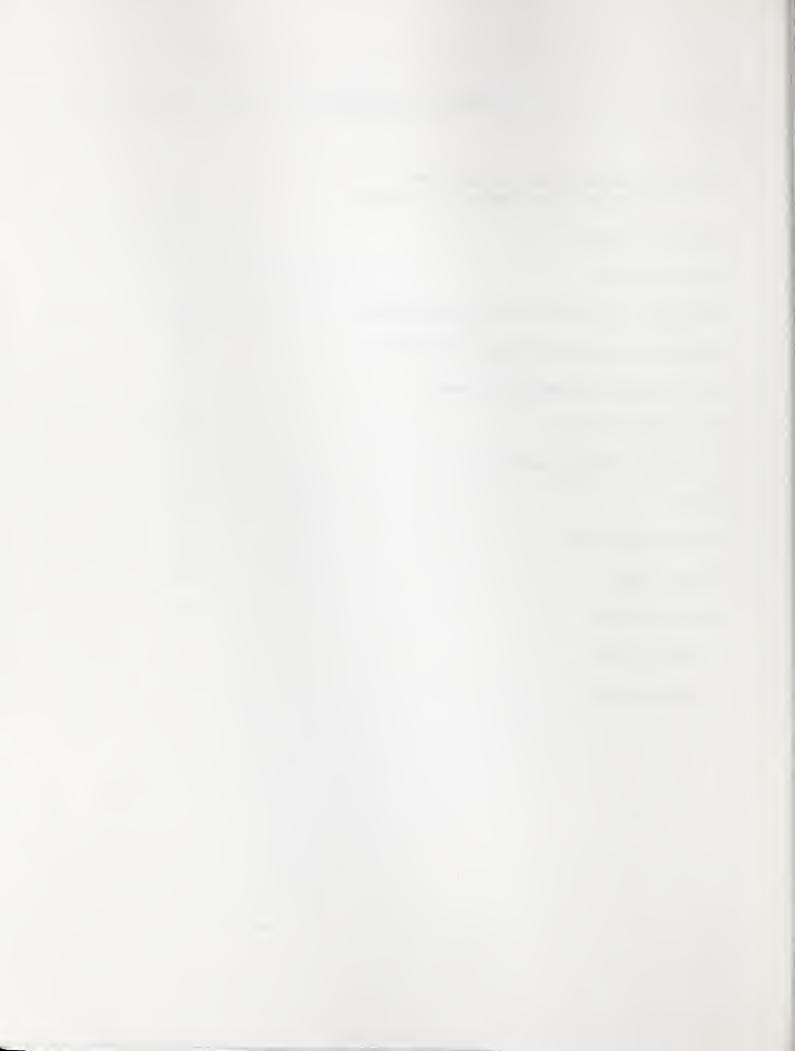


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OVERVIEW OF

COMPUTER SYSTEMS LABORATORY

COMPUTING AND APPLIED MATHEMATICS LABORATORY

The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is building a new organization to help developers and users acquire and implement information technology (IT) systems that are secure, interoperable, easily usable, and scalable. In response to the growing need for an advanced infrastructure to support the IT industry, NIST has consolidated the activities of the Computer Systems Laboratory (CSL) and the Computing and Applied Mathematics Laboratory (CAML). While the formal reorganization progresses, CSL/CAML has restructured its organization and redefined its role in delivering products and services to industry and government customers. Dr. Shukri Wakid is Director, CSL, and Acting Director, CAML; Dr. Alvin H. Sher is Acting Deputy Director, CSL, and Deputy Director, CAML.

This publication documents CSL/CAML's technical accomplishments, activities, products, and services to industry and government during FY 1995 and the first half of FY 1996 (October 1994 - March 1996).

Computer Systems Laboratory

CSL's programs and activities benefit both users and producers of information technology. Research programs focus on the development of tests and test methods that advance the interoperability of information systems and ease access to information networks. CSL's test methods and tools, measurement techniques, and related standards help to expand opportunities for U.S. industry in the global marketplace.

In the vital area of information security, CSL continues to assist federal agencies in developing effective computer security programs by increasing awareness of the importance of protecting information resources, providing training opportunities, and contributing technical expertise to government and industry.

CSL's research programs focus on advanced network technologies, human/machine interfaces, software diagnostics, visual image processing, text search and retrieval, spoken language technology, parallel processing performance, and computer security.

CSL Home Page on the World Wide Web

http://www.nist.gov/itl/lab/csl.htm

Computing and Applied Mathematics Laboratory

CAML's work supports U.S. industry, research communities, and the NIST staff through the development of mathematical, statistical, and state-of-the-art scientific computing tools. CAML's mathematicians and statisticians use computer-aided modeling of complex manufacturing processes and statistical methods for improving the quality of products and processes. Industrial experimentation and measurement process evaluation are significant components of CAML's statistical engineering program.

Research activities focus on advanced computer graphics programs that produce visualizations of complex problems; innovative techniques for manipulating and communicating large amounts of data; the construction and analysis of mathematical models for selected applications; the development of algorithms for complex mathematical problems; and the implementation and distribution of mathematical software for high performance computers.

CAML Home Page on the World Wide Web

http://www.nist.gov/itl/lab/caml.htm

AWARDS AND RECOGNITION

Department of Commerce 1995 Medal Awards

Cita M. Furlani received a Silver Medal for the leadership of interagency activities that advance applications of information technology on the National Information Infrastructure (NII).

Lisa Carnahan received a Bronze Medal for establishing the FIPS 140-1 validation program whereby accredited laboratories test cryptographic products for conformance to NIST standards.

Christopher Dabrowski received a Bronze Medal for technical enhancement of domain analysis and its application to the development of an architecture for the National Information Infrastructure.

Barbara Guttman and **Edward Roback** jointly received a Bronze Medal for developing an Information systems Security Handbook which promotes comprehensive, cost-effective security programs in the private and public arenas.

Shirley Hurwitz received a Bronze Medal for leadership of NIST/industry programs in database interoperability and the application of distributed database technologies to electronic commerce.

Stefan D. Leigh received a Bronze Medal for extraordinary success and dedication in enhancing the effectiveness of statistical collaborations at NIST.

External Recognition

Roger J. Martin received the 1995 Hans Karlsson Award from the IEEE Computer Society for leadership in the timely completion of test methods which assure quality and dependability for the standards customer, completeness for the portable application builder and consensus of the whole community.

Ronald Boisvert was appointed to the ACM Publications Board.

Michael Garris received the Award for Excellence in Technology Transfer 1996 from the Federal Laboratory Consortium. His software distribution technology is a form-based handprint system for evaluating optical character recognition (OCR). Garris and his associates transferred this state-of-the-art technology in the public domain to numerous industry and government users via a CD-ROM using ISO-9660 format.

William Mitchell developed the MGGHAT package for adaptive solution of partial differential equations which was selected as a finalist for SIAM's 1995 Wilkinson Prize for Numerical Software.

Fernando L. Podio, High Performance Systems and Services Division, received the 1996 Standards Excellence Award from the Association for Information and Image Management International (AIIM) for outstanding and valuable contributions to industry through his efforts in the AIIM standards program, especially in standards development in the area of mass storage systems, particularly optical disk.

Keith Eberhardt was elected Fellow of the American Statistical Association.

Raghu Kacker was elected Ordinary Member of the International Statistics Institute.

Daniel Lozier was appointed to the Editorial Board of Mathematics of Computation.

James H. Burrows, retired CSL Director, received the American National Standards Institute's (ANSI) Howard Coonley Medal for contributions to government and industry in advancing the development and implementation of standards for interoperable, secure and reliable information technology systems.

F. Lynn McNulty, retired Associate Director for Computer Security, received a 1995 Federal 100 Award from *Federal Computer Week* for contributions to information security in federal computer systems.

Thomas C. Bagg posthumously received the Thomas C. Bagg Lifetime Achievement Award established in his honor for his significant contribution to the AIIM Standards Program. A NIST employee since 1941, Mr. Bagg conducted original research in physics, imaging science, computer systems, document management, micrographics, information retrieval, and electrical engineering for 50 years until his death in 1995.

INDUSTRY INTERACTIONS

CSL/CAML participates in many consortia and industry interest groups including the following:

Air Transport Association (ATA) and Aerospace Industries Association (AIA)

The ATA and AIA are international nonprofit organizations for the airline industry and aerospace suppliers. The ATA and AIA consist of the major airline companies, aerospace industries, and software and systems suppliers of the commercial aerospace industry. The ATA, AIA, and CSL/CAML are working together to develop a graphics profile and conformance tests methods for the interchange of graphics data within the commercial aerospace industry. The commercial aircraft industry is moving away from paper-based delivery of maintenance data to digital delivery. Conformance testing is critical in ensuring that graphics tools and implementations conform to the ATA profile and ease the transition to digital delivery of data.

Asynchronous Transfer Mode (ATM) Forum

The ATM Forum is an international nonprofit organization which accelerates the use of ATM products and services through a rapid convergence of interoperability specifications. About 170 U.S. telecommunications corporations comprise the ATM Forum membership. Through the forum, CSL/CAML works with Bellcore, test equipment vendors such as Tekelec and Hewlett-Packard, and ATM switch vendors to develop interoperability test specifications and conformance test suites. CSL/CAML also participates in the Signalling and Traffic Management Working Group to develop ATM service protocols. David Su is the CSL/CAML principal.

Cross Industry Working Team (XIWT)

The Cross Industry Working Team (XIWT) is a multi-industry coalition committed to defining the architecture and key technical requirements for a powerful, sustainable national information infrastructure (NII). Members include firms from the computer, networking, telecommunications, publishing and banking sectors, and others with business interests in the NII. NIST is represented on the executive committee by R.J. (Jerry) Linn; other CSL/CAML representatives participate in working groups related to their research and development activities.

Digital Audio-Video Interoperability Council (DAVIC)

The Digital Audio-Visual Interoperability Council (DAVIC) is an international consortium for the emerging digital audio-visual applications and services. The purpose of DAVIC is to identify, select, augment, and develop internationally agreed specifications of open interfaces and protocols that maximize interoperability across countries and applications/services. CSL/CAML has been working with DAVIC members on the interoperability testing of digital video products conforming to DAVIC specifications. These efforts concentrate on the development of conformance test suites and establishment an interoperability testbed where developers could test their products. The CSL/CAML principal is David Su.

Electronic Messaging Association (EMA)

CSL/CAML participated in the activities of this organization in three areas: electronic commerce, electronic mail, and directory services. EMA advances the deployment of these and other technologies throughout government and industry. Industry participants include the Exxon Corporation, MCI Communications Corporation, Hewlett-Packard, GE Information Services, American Express, Lotus Development Corporation, SETA Corporation, AT&T EasyLink Services, Bellcore, Bellsouth Advanced Networks, American Petroleum Institute, The Boeing Company, National Semiconductor, MITRE Corporation, Northern Telecom, Unisys Corporation, Control Data Systems, Inc., Digital Equipment Corporation, and many others. Steve Trus was the contact in FY 1995, at the end of which we concluded our interaction with this group.

Information Infrastructure Standards Panel (IISP)

The Information Infrastructure Standards Panel (IISP) was created by ANSI to identify critical standards requirements for the emerging Global Information Infrastructure (GII). The work of IISP will lead to the creation of standards that will enable the growth of the GII and help bring about interoperability between GII components developed within different industries. As such, the IISP is predominantly made up of representatives from industry. CSL/CAML has contributed to the fulfillment of IISP's mission by devising a conceptual Framework to guide the process of identifying standards requirements and assisting IISP members in the use of this Framework. Christopher Dabrowski is the CSL/CAML contact.

Information Infrastructure Task Force (IITF) Committee on Applications and Technology (CAT)

The CAT, led by NIST Director Arati Prabhakar, is responsible for coordinating the Administration's efforts to develop, demonstrate, and promote applications of information technology in specific application areas. CSL/CAML's Office of Enterprise Integration works with CAT participants in various government agencies and with industry and academia to develop publications, conduct meetings and conferences, distribute both print and electronic information, and respond to queries about the NII and the GII. One resource provided is the NII Virtual Library Home Page found at http://nii.nist.gov, cosponsored with the private sector Council on Competitiveness. Cita Furlani is the CSL/CAML principal.

Information Technology Industry Council (ITI)

CSL/CAML has an informal relationship with the Information Technology Industry Council (ITI). One of ITI's activities is to develop positions on issues in standards, testing, certification and quality assurance. Areas include ergonomics, health, safety and hardware, software and systems functional and performance characteristics. ITI also serves as the secretariat for the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Accredited Standards Committee X3 (Information Technology) and as U.S. Technical Advisory Group (TAG) administrator for ISO/IEC Joint Technical Committee 1 on Information Technology. The CSL/CAML liaison to ITI is Michael D. Hogan.

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)

The Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. is the world's largest technical professional society, promoting the development and application of electrotechnology and allied sciences for the benefit of humanity and the advancement of the profession. CSL/CAML maintains close ties with the IEEE to help IEEE identify forward-looking standards efforts and to provide industry input to CSL/CAML's program planning for standards and test activities. IEEE's close ties to industry and to academia help CSL/CAML to understand industry needs and requirements; to know about academic research in areas of interest to NIST; and to communicate about CSL/CAML projects. Daniel R. Benigni currently serves as a member of the IEEE Board of Directors.

International Multimedia Teleconferencing Consortium (IMTC)

The IMTC is a non-profit corporation founded to promote the creation and adoption of international standards for multipoint document and video teleconferencing. The IMTC and its members promote a "Standards First" initiative to guarantee interworking for all aspects of multimedia teleconferencing. The concentration of this group is on promoting and facilitating the broad use of multimedia teleconferencing based on open standards, including the standards adopted by the ITU. Carol Warnar is the principal CSL/CAML contact for these activities especially as they relates to the use of our laboratory facility for interoperability testing. Jean-Philippe Favreau is also a CSL/CAML representative.

Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF)

CSL/CAML contributes to the technical development of the Internet through its participation in the Internet Engineering Task Force (IETF). The IETF develops standards for internetwork technology and for evolving the Internet Protocol Next Generation (IPng). CSL/CAML contributes in the areas of IPv6, IPv4 security, integrated services, systems management, and routing. Additionally, Doug Montgomery co-chairs the IETF interdomain-system-to-interdomain-system (IS-IS) for IP Internet Working Group. Rob Glenn is the contact for non-security related IPv6 work, and John Wack for IPv6 security and key management.

National Industrial Competitiveness Information Technology (NICIT) Working Group

This body, convened by the Office of Enterprise Integration at the request of DoC Under Secretary of Technology Mary L. Good, is composed of industry groups, consortia, trade associations, and government agencies. The broad goal of the group is to identify the best means for U.S. industry to enhance its competitiveness by effectively utilizing information technology within manufacturing. Cita Furlani is the CSL/CAML principal.

National Information Infrastructure Advisory Council (NIIAC)

The NIIAC was formed to provide guidance to the Secretary of Commerce and the interagency Information Infrastructure Task Force (IITF) on the development of the National Information Infrastructure. The NIIAC was a 37-member advisory panel composed of individuals representing private industry, labor, state and local governments, public interest organizations, academia, and leading experts in NII-related fields. The NIIAC was established in January 1994 and completed its work in February 1996. Cita Furlani was the CSL/CAML principal.

National Information Infrastructure (NII) Awards

Sponsored by over 60 groups from industry, government, and community leaders, the NII Awards recognize innovation and excellence in the use of networked information technology. As the representative of the interagency Information Infrastructure Task Force, CSL/CAML's Office of Enterprise Integration provided guidance to NII Awards organizers during the inaugural campaign in 1994-95 and continues to provide advice and support in 1996. Jashojit Roy is the CSL/CAML contact.

National Software Council (NSC)

Incorporated in April 1995, the NSC is a nonprofit membership organization composed of industry, academia, and government members. Its mission is to ensure that the U.S. software industry continues to make a strong and growing contribution to national economic prosperity. CSL/CAML staff participated in NSC planning meetings over the past two years to define the scope and direction of the organization. As a government affiliate member of NSC, CSL/CAML obtains current information about industry and government technology requirements. Tom Rhodes and Dolores Wallace are the principal contacts with NSC.

Network Management Forum (NMF)

CSL/CAML worked with industry consortia to develop OMNIPoint specifications, as defined by the Open Management Roadmap partnership for addressing the full range of network management requirements. Released in Fall 1992, OMNIPoint 1 was the first in a series of incremental specifications intended to provide a common approach to the integration and management of diverse technologies. Fran Nielsen serves as Secretary of the User Advisory Council of the OMNIPoint and is the CSL/CAML participant in the NMF.

NII Testbed Consortium (NIIT)

NIST holds membership in the NIIT consortium, an industry, government, and academia collaboration to develop an advanced, nationwide information testbed that will deliver applications to solve real-world problems. Application Working Groups include Healthcare, Earth and Environmental Sciences, Electronic Commerce, Astrophysics, and Manufacturing. The NIST Concurrent Engineering project is a five-year project that will use currently available high performance computing and communication (HPCC) technologies to develop a platform capable of demonstrating the practical uses of HPCC technologies in concurrent engineering. CSL/CAML's participation in the consortium ensures that the NIST Concurrent Engineering project will be closely linked with industry efforts to focus on actual industry needs and to ensure maximum benefit from the NIST efforts. Shukri Wakid is the principal NIST participant.

Object Management Forum (OMG)

The OMG is a nonprofit international consortium, based in Framingham, Massachusetts, of over 500 organizations whose mission is to research, develop, and promote the use of object oriented technology for distributed systems development. The membership consists of all the major producers of information technology hardware and software (e.g., IBM, DEC, Sun, Microsoft), large user organizations e.g., Boeing, Bellcore, Merrill Lynch, Citibank, GTE, MCI, British Telecom), government agencies (e.g., NASA, NSA, DISA, NIH), and universities (e.g., MIT, Stanford, University of Illinois, University of Michigan). Over the past year, NIST representatives from CSL/CAML and the Manufacturing Engineering Laboratory attended OMG meetings as part of joint project with DISA and Sematech to develop an open, distributed framework for semiconductor manufacturing. John Barkley is CSL/CAML's technical point of contact in the OMG.

Open Software Foundation (OSF)

CSL/CAML had an informal relationship with the OSF, an international organization dedicated to the development and delivery of an open, portable software environment to which vendors and users have equal input and access. OSF efforts address the need for portability, interoperability, and scalability. The organization made their Distributed Computing Environment (DCE) technology available for use in CSL/CAML's Distributed Systems Engineering laboratory. Fritz Schulz was the principal CSL/CAML participant in interactions with the Open Software Foundation.

Society for Enterprise Engineering (formerly the IDEF Users Group)

In developing the Integration Definition for Function Modeling (IDEFO, FIPS 183) and the Integration Definition for Information Modeling (IDEF1X, FIPS 184) standards, CSL/CAML worked closely with the Society for Enterprise Engineering, a non-profit association established to support users' requirements and provide capabilities of enterprise systems integration methods. The group provides a forum for the interchange of ideas and experiences in the use of integration modeling methods, related software tools and techniques, and the identification of potential solutions that add value and efficiency to business modernization initiatives. CSL/CAML worked closely with industry to expand the coverage of the IDEF modeling technologies over a larger portion of the system development life cycle. Bruce Rosen is the CSL/CAML principal.

Society for Information Display (SID)

This worldwide professional society and forum is committed exclusively to the advancement of information display technologies. Membership in SID entitles CSL/CAML to participated in SID-sponsored symposia, seminars, and access to SID publications. Mark Williamson is the principal contact.

Software Engineering Institute (SEI)

Established by Congress in 1984, the SEI is a research and development center with a broad charter to address the transition of software engineering technology. CSL/CAML established a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with SEI to work collaboratively on software engineering issues of mutual interest. Under this agreement, the Software Engineering Group of the Systems and Software Engineering Division and SEI worked together to address issues and develop standards for integrated software engineering environments. SEI also participated with CSL/CAML in the formation of the Center for High Integrity Software Systems Assurance. Roger Martin serves on SEI's Educational Products Advisory Board with representatives from Texas Instruments, AT&T, Carnegie Mellon University, Rochester Institute of Technology, and the Department of the Army.

Software Productivity Consortium (SPC)

An industry-based consortium founded in 1985, the SPC focuses on advancing the fundamental processes and methods of software and systems engineering technologies for developing high-quality software intensive systems. The SPC provides a forum for CSL/CAML to collaborate with industry, government, and academia on development, application, and exchange of advanced software processes and methods for developing high-quality software systems. The forum allows CSL/CAML to contribute its technical views, program results, and capabilities to various industry sectors and provides a mechanism for technology exchange and further collaboration with industry. Roger Martin and Tom Rhodes represent CSL/CAML in this consortium.

Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA)

The TIA is a major developer of voluntary standards for telecommunications products and the principal U.S. developer for fiber optic standards, building wiring standards, and cellular telephony standards. Over the past 18 months, Bill Burr, who serves as Chairman of the Federal Wireless Policy Committee subcommittee on Privacy and Authentication, has occasionally attended meetings of the TIA TR 46 (committee on Personal Communications Systems) ad hoc on Privacy and Authentication and the TIA TR 45 (committee on cellular telephony) Ad Hoc Authentication Group (AHAG) to reflect federal security concerns about wireless and cellular communications.

Video Electronics Standards Association (VESA) Special Interest Group (SIG) on Flat Panel Displays

CSL/CAML's Workshop on the Computer Interface to Flat Panel Displays, held in San Jose, California, in January 1994, resulted in a consensus to form a VESA SIG to undertake the development of a standard or series of standards for the interface between a flat panel display and its controller. This interface standard will address both active and passive flat panel displays in integrated devices, and will cover both the electrical and the mechanical specifications. As a full member of VESA, CSL/CAML will participate in the technical development of standards and will also develop laboratory implementations of proposed interface architectures and by developing laboratory metrics. The CSL/CAML contact is John Roberts.

Virtual Library Consortium

CSL/CAML created a Virtual Library Consortium of industry and academic participants to pursue joint research and development activities related to virtual libraries. Institutions or agencies that have done or continue to do research and development efforts related to virtual libraries participate in the consortium. In 1995, CSL/CAML met with interested parties who responded to the initial call for participation and determined the applicability of ongoing work in academia and industry to the NIST virtual library project. Lawrence Welsch is the principal contact.

X/OPEN

X/Open provides a forum for vendors to discuss and establish consensus on open system specifications. CSL/CAML as been a member of the X/OPEN User Council for several years. We have also worked closely with them in the development of conformance testing technology for information systems. Roger Martin is the principal most closely involved in this interaction. X/Open is merging with the Open Software Foundation to become the Open Group.

COLLABORATION WITH INDUSTRY, GOVERNMENT, AND ACADEMIA

CSL/CAML collaborates with many organizations and consortia from industry, academia, government, and foreign countries, including the following:

Agility Forum

American Apparel Manufacturers Association

American National Standards Institute (ANSI)

American Petroleum Institute

American Society of Manufacturing Engineers

American Society for Quality Control

American Statistical Association

Amoco Corporation

Apple

Argonne National Laboratory

Army Corps of Engineers

Army Research Office

Association for Computing Machinery

AT&T

Automotive Industry Action Group

Baltic-American Enterprise Fund

BBN Systems and Technologies

BellCore

Bell Laboratories

Black & Decker

Boeing Computer Services

Booz-Allen Hamilton

Bureau of the Census

CALS Industry Steering Committee

Cambridge University

Chrysler Corporation

Citibank

CMU

Columbia University

Comcom

CommerceNet

Computer Aided Manufacturing - International Computer and Automated Systems

Association of the Society of Manufacturing Engineers

COMSAT

Consortium for School Networking

Construction Industry Institute

Cornell University

Council on Competitiveness

Cray Research

Cryenco

Cubic Defense Systems

DataBeam

DataKey

Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency

Defense Information Systems Agency

Department of Agriculture

Department of the Air Force

Department of Commerce International Trade Administration

Department of Commerce National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Department of Defense

Department of Education

Department of Energy (HQ)

Department of Health and Human Services

Department of the Navy

Department of State

Department of Transportation

Disney Imagineering

Dow Chemical

Dragon Systems

Dupont

Electronics Industries Association

Enterprise Integration Technologies

Environmental Protection Agency

European Commission

Federal Aviation Administration

Ford Automotive Operations

Galway and Associates

GE Information Services

GEMPLUS Card International

General Motors Corporation

George Mason University

Global Growth Strategies

Government of Australia

Government of Canada

Government of France

Government of Germany

Government of Japan

Government of Italy

Government of the Netherlands

Government of New Zealand

Government of Singapore

Government of the United Kingdom

Grummond

Harvard Information Infrastructure Project

Hewlett-Packard Company

Highway 1

Howard University

Hughes

I-4

IBM

IBM T.J. Watson Research Laboratories

Industrial Technology Institute

Institute of Defense Analysis, Center for Computing Sciences

Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers

Intel Corporation

Internal Revenue Service

International Micro Industries

International Society of Optical Engineering

ITS

Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry

Japanese Ministry of Posts and Telecommunications

ЛLА

Kennedy Space Center

Kodak

Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory

Lehigh University

Loral

Los Alamos National Laboratory

Manufacturers' Alliance for Productivity and Innovation

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Massachusetts Software Council

McCabe & Associates

MCI

Micro Networks

Mitek

Morino Institute

Motorola

National Academy of Sciences

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

National Archives and Records Administration

National Association of Manufacturers

National Center for Advanced Technologies

National Center for Manufacturing Sciences

National Coalition for Advanced Manufacturing

National Communications System

National Computer Graphics Association

National Computer Security Association

National Economic Council

National Fluid Power Association

National Initiative for Product Data Exchange

National Institute of Justice

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

National Research Council

National Retail Federation

National Science Foundation

National Security Agency

National Security Industrial Association

Naval Research Laboratory

Nestor

Newport News Shipbuilding

NIU Forum

Novel, Inc.

Oak Ridge National Laboratory

Office of Management and Budget

Office of Science and Technology Policy

Old Dominion University

Oracle Corporation

PDES, Inc.

Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America

PlantStep

Price Waterhouse

Purdue University

Robotic Industries Association

RST

Russian Academy of Sciences

Rutherford Appleton Laboratory

Sandia National Laboratory

Scicomp, Inc.

Scientific Atlanta

SEMATECH

Shell Oil

Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM)

Social Security Administration

Society of Manufacturing Engineers

Sun

Synergy Group

Telephone Security Group Trusted Information Systems

UK CALS Industry Council

United Airlines

University of Maryland

University of Minnesota

University of New Hampshire

University of Pittsburgh

University of Tennessee at Knoxville

University of Texas at Austin

U.S. Naval Academy

U.S. Product Data Association

Verity

VLSI Standards, Inc.

Washington Statistical Society

West Publishing Company

Westinghouse Science and Technology Center

Wright Patterson Air Force Base

Xerox

Yale University

COOPERATIVE RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS (CRADAS)

In FY 1995 and FY 1996 (through February), CSL/CAML had formal CRADAs with 39 industry, academia, and government organizations to establish partnerships to pursue mutual areas of research. Three additional CRADAs are pending.

Research Partner	Project
ADB, Inc.	Test & Evaluation of "Middleware Implemented According to CORBA Specifications Using an Object DBMS"
Adobe Systems Incorporated	PostScript Language, PDF Format and Acrobat Software Review
COMSAT Corporation	Test and Demonstrate ISDN Protocols and Services
Enterprise Integration Technologies	Develop Software and Services for Electronic Commerce on the Internet
Linguistic Data Consortium	Corpora to Support Human Language Technology Research
MicroFab Technologies	Solder Jet Science and Technology
Washington Software Technologies	Basic Test Suite

The North American ISDN Users' Forum (NIUF) is an industry/government forum established in 1988 to create a strong user voice in the implementation of ISDN applications. CRADA partners are:

AHK & Associates
Ameritech Services
AT&T Bell Laboratories
Bell Atlantic
Bell Communications Research
BellSouth
Defense Communication Agency
Electronic Data Systems Corporation
Fujitsu Networks Industry, Inc.

General DataComm, Inc.

GTE Southwest Incorporated

Hayes Microcomputer Products, Inc.

Intecom, Inc.

International Business Machines Corporation

Network Communications Corporation

North Carolina State University

Northern Telecom Inc.

NYNEX

Open Communications Networks, Inc.

Presearch, Inc.

RLR Resources

Siemens Stromberg-Carlson

Southwestern Bell Telephone Company

Symbolic Systems, Inc.

TASC (The Analytic Sciences Corporation)

Telamon, Inc.

Teltone Corporation

U.S. Air Force (Technology Integration Center)

U.S. Coast Guard

U.S. West

Unisys Corporation

West Virginia University

GUEST RESEARCHERS AND FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

In FY 1995 and FY 1996 (through March), CSL/CAML collaborated with 117 guest researchers from industry, government, academia, and foreign research laboratories including the following:

American National Standards Institute

Armament Development Authority, Rafael, Israel

BellSouth Communications Systems

Bhabha Atomic Research Center, India

Bundesamt fur Sicherheit in Der Informations Technik

Centro National de Metrologia, Mexico

CM Communications

Convex Computer Corporation

Cornell University

Cray Research Incorporated

Digicon Corporation

East China University

Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute, Korea

Environmental Protection Agency

Florida State University

George Mason University

George Washington University, Washington, D.C.

Institute for Defense Analysis

Institute of Geology, Beijing, People's Republic of China

Institut National des Telecommunications, France

Korea Telecom Research Laboratories

Los Alamos National Laboratories

Michigan Technological University

Ministry of Communications, Taiwan

Ministry of Defense, Israel

National Aeronautics and Space Administration

National Computerization Agency

National Science Foundation, Washington, D.C.

National Security Agency

National Research Laboratory (Navy)

Purdue University

Quality One Softworks Corporation, Annandale, Virginia

Rolm Corporation

Sandia National Laboratories

Space Science and Technology Center, People's Republic of China

Syracuse University, Syracuse, New York

Telecom, Paris, France

Trusted Information Systems, Glenwood, Maryland University of Kent at Canterbury University of Manchester, United Kingdom University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland University of Maryland, Baltimore, Maryland University of Nancy, France University of South Florida University of Southern California University of Southhampton, UK University of Texas, Austin University of Twente, The Netherlands VDG, Inc.

Faculty Appointments totaled **33** during FY 1995 and FY 1996 from:

Arizona State University
Colorado State University
George Mason University
Howard University
Loyola College, Baltimore, Maryland
Old Dominion University
Temple University
University of Colorado
University of the District of Columbia
University of Maryland Baltimore County
University of Maryland College Park
University of North Carolina
University of Pittsburgh
University of Tennessee
West Virginia University

Post Doctoral Appointment - 1

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

CSL/CAML's international interactions during FY 1995 and FY 1996 included the following:

Collaboration with Electrotechnical Laboratory (ETL), Japan

As part of an ongoing NIST-ETL study on computer performance, Roldan Pozo spent two weeks as Visiting Scientist at the Electrotechnical Laboratory (ETL) in Tsukuba, Japan in February at the invitation of the Japanese Ministry of International Trade and Industry. Pozo presented four lectures on iterative methods for solving large sparse linear algebraic systems, object-oriented software design for scientific computing, and performance modeling of multifrontal methods for distributed memory architectures. The lectures took place at ETL, Fujitsu Laboratories, the KEK High-Energy Physics Colloquium, and the Performance Measurement Consortium in Tokyo. At Fujitzu, Pozo was given a demonstration of the company's next-generation parallel computers.

Collaboration with Russian Academy of Sciences

As part of an international agreement between CSL/CAML and the Russian Academy which fosters scientific exchanges, Daniel Lozier hosted a six-week visit to NIST in October-November 1995 by Dr. J.M. Rappoport of the Russian Academy. Rappoport has published algorithms and software for special function evaluation, mostly in the Russian literature. During his visit, Dr. Rappoport began a collaboration with CSL/CAML scientists on algorithms for the MacDonald (modified Bessel) functions. These arise as the Kernel of the Kontorovich-Lebedev integral transform, for which little software exists in Western computer libraries.

World Summit on Trade Efficiency

In November 1994, four computer scientists participated in the World Summit on Trade Efficiency as part of the Official U.S. Delegation. CSL/CAML demonstrated a pilot electronic commerce SmartProcurement system jointly developed with the Enterprise Integration Technologies Corporation. The SmartProcurement system is an innovative application of two evolving computer technologies, the WWW and Intelligent Agents, and reduces bid time from vendors to hours instead of days or weeks.

Cryptographic Applications Program Interfaces

In December 1994, CSL/CAML sponsored a workshop to address the growing interest in developing a generic Cryptographic Applications Program Interface (CAPI) and the need for convergence in the development of standards. This work is a collaborative effort with the United Kingdom (UK) Ministry of Defence (MoD), the National Security Agency, several standards organizations, and some commercial vendors. Officials from the UK and Canada shared their experiences with CAPI initiatives in their countries, and all participants agreed to coordinate future activities in this effort. A second meeting was held in March 1996, and periodic information exchanges will continue.

International Statistics Institute (ISI)

Raghu N. Kacker, Statistical Engineering Division, was elected an Ordinary Member of the ISI in 1995. With fewer than 2000 members representing 96 countries, the ISI elects fewer than 100 new members annually.

Broadband ISDN

Through a Memorandum of Understanding, CSL/CAML, the Korean Telcom Research Laboratories (KTRL), and the Electronics and Telecommunications Research Institute (ETRI) are jointly developing abstract conformance test and interoperability test suites for Broadband Integrated Services Digital Network (B-ISDN) protocols. KTRL and ETRI assigned guest scientists to work at NIST in developing the test suites and on research on the B-ISDN call control signalling procedures.

Cryptographic Module Validation

CSL/CAML and the Communications Security Establishment of the Government of Canada collaborated on the development of the Cryptographic Module Validation Program, announced jointly on July 17, 1995. Products validated by this program as conforming to FIPS 140-1, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules, are accepted for use in both the U.S. and Canada for the protection of sensitive, unclassified information.

G-7 Global Information Society Inventory Pilot Project

Under the coordination of the European Community and Japan, the Global Inventory Project (GIP), one of eleven pilot projects designed to stimulate global applications of information technologies, aims to produce a multimedia inventory of national and international projects, studies, and calls relevant to the promotion and further development of knowledge and understanding of the information society. As the U.S.A.'s point of reference, the Office of Enterprise Integration (OEI) established an entry point for a sampling of current and proposed U.S. information infrastructure projects under ten application areas defined by the G-7 nations. Electronic project submission, as well as access to the resources is available via the U.S. National Information Infrastructure Virtual Library Home Page at URL http://nii.nist.gov/.

G-7 Pilot Project on Global Electronic Commerce

Along with Japan and the European Community (EC), the Department of Commerce was designated the lead agency in a G-7 Information Society Pilot Project "Global Marketplace for Small and Medium Enterprises (SMEs)." The SME project seeks to identify the information needs of SMEs, promote SME use of the information infrastructure, and encourage the development and demonstration of electronic marketing, cooperation, and trade. The Department of Commerce and CommerceNet Consortium hosted a G-7 Working Group meeting in San Jose, California, in September 1995, at which CSL/CAML participated in the demonstration of the G-7 "Global Marketplace" server.

Worldwide Electronic Commerce: Law, Policy, Security and Controls Conference

In October 1995, CSL/CAML participated as an affiliated cosponsor of an international conference on issues of electronic commerce and the law. About 300 industry, government, and foreign participants attended. Other cosponsors included the American Bar Association; the Centre for Commercial Law Studies, Queen Mary & Westfield College, UK; EDI Association of the UK; Harvard Law School, International Union of Latin Notaries; International Chamber of Commerce, Paris; Software Publishers Association; United Nations Commission on International Trade Law; and the U.S. Council of International Business.

Technical Assistance to Jordan

As part of the Peace Net effort, three CSL/CAML scientists traveled to Jordan in October 1995 to establish a telecommunications link on the Internet in that country. Oscar Farah, Ken Tice, and Sean Sell set up a demonstration project by assembling a microwave dish with "loose parts" electronics to Internet routers and servers provided by NIST, SUN, and Sprint. The success of the project can be measured by the large amount of e-mail which NIST has received from Jordan since the inception of the Internet capability. Our technical assistance to this effort continues.

CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, AND LECTURES

CSL/CAML sponsored, cosponsored, and conducted more than 100 conference, workshops, lectures, and training seminars:

Annual conferences and ongoing workshops

COMPASS, Conference on Computer Assurance

Data Administration Management (DAMA) Symposium

Federal Information Systems Security Educators Association (FISSEA) Conference

Federal Wireless User's Forum (FWUF)

International Conference on Information and Knowledge Management

Open System Environment (OSE) Implementors' Workshop (OIW)

OSE Users' Forum

National Information Systems Security Conference

North American ISDN Users' Forum

Text Retrieval Conference (TREC)

Specialized workshops

Healthcare Forum

Invitational Workshop on Information Technology (IT) Security Techniques and Tools for Government Information Technology Services

Technologies to Improve Your Software

Training for the Future

Workshop on Cryptographic Applications Program Interfaces

Workshop on Experimental Design for Scientists and Engineers

Workshop on Mugshot and Facial Image Standards

Workshop on Role-Based Access Control

Usability Engineering

Virtual Library Consortium

Lectures

Applied Information Technology Lecture Series

CAML Laboratory Seminars

Applied & Computational Mathematics Division Colloquium Series

Churchill Eisenhart Memorial Lecture

Digital Video Lecture

High Integrity Systems Lecture Series

High Performance Computing Lecture Series

Statistical Engineering Division Seminars

Training courses

Connecting to the Internet Securely

Eudora Training
How to Establish an Incident Handling Capability
Information Systems Security...And You
Macintosh Users Group
Programming in Fortran 90
Introduction to Data Compression
Introduction to C and C++ for Scientists and Engineers

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500-220	Guide on Open System Environment (OSE) Procurements By Gary Fisher, October 1994
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500-223	A Framework for the Development and Assurance of High Integrity Software By Dolores R. Wallace and Laura M. Ippolito, Dec 1994
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500-227	ELECTRONIC ACCESS: BLUEPRINT for the National Archives and Records Administration By Judi Moline and Steve Otto, April 1995
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500-231	Guidelines for the Evaluation of Electronic Data Interchange Products By John J. Garguilo and Paul Markovitz, February 1996
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800-13	Telecommunications Security Guidelines for Telecommunications Management Network By J. Kimmins, C.R. Dinkel, and D.L. Walters, October 1995
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 Jean-Philippe Favreau, Editor, August 1995
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- 881-4 Federal Implementation Guideline for Electronic Data Interchange, ASC X12 003050 Transaction Set 860, Modifications to Award Instrument, Implementation Convention Jean-Philippe Favreau, Editor, August 1995
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