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Towards 5G/6G Networks: State of the Art, Evolution and Applications

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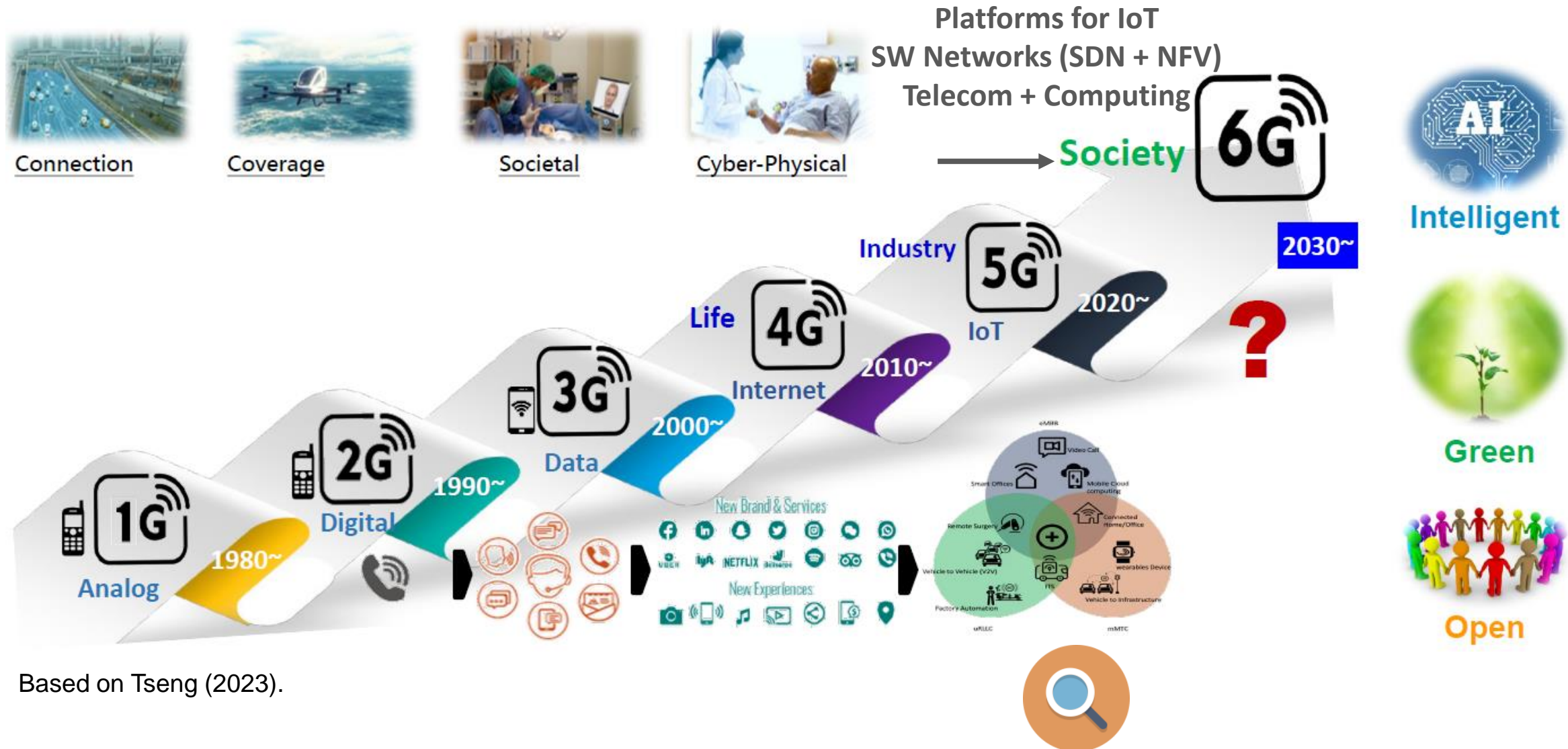
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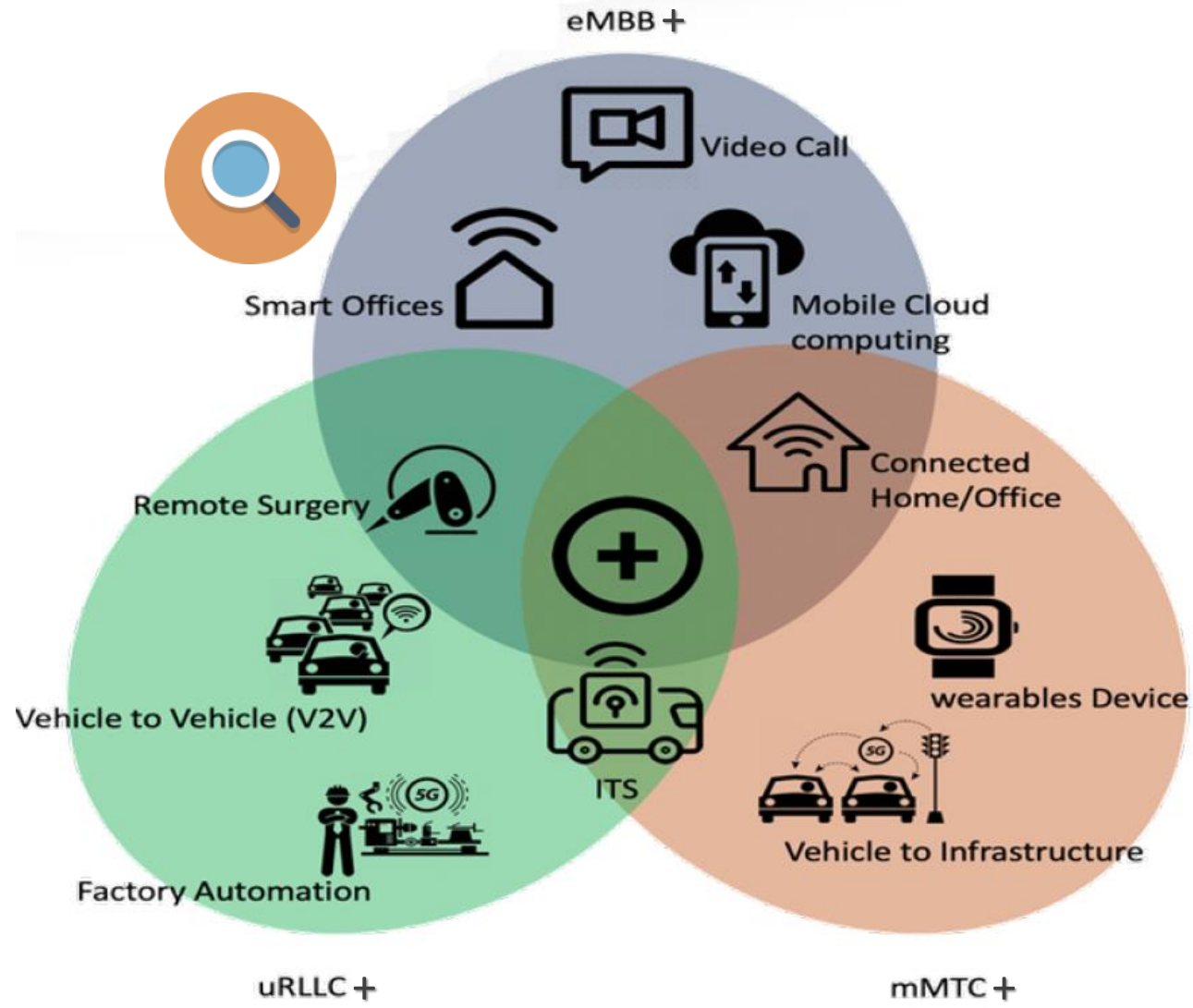
(R)evolution of mobile networks



Based on Tseng (2023).

Next: 4) Advanced use cases

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Next: 5) Change how we live

Change how we live



Home-based patient care

Remote surgery and
scanning

AI-enabled patient digital
twin

Ambient assisted living

V2V and V2P safety
improvement and awareness

Autonomous, coordinated
and remote driving

Real-time 360° situational
awareness

Leveraging EGE innovation
for education

Metaverse experiences

Immersive knowledge and
learning

Hologram receivers

Next Gen mission critical
communications

AR headsets and glasses

Networked robots and
UAVs

Connected ambulances

Based on Nawrocki and Next G Alliance (2022).

Next: 6) Change how we work

Change how we work



Factories of the future

AI-managed automatic
guided vehicles

Massive sensors to manage
environment and resources

Movement between farming
and road infrastructure

High precision irrigation and
fertilizer treatments

Massive sensing and remote
actuation

Communications across
mobile and NTN

Extreme connectivity

Tele-operation for
hazardous environments

Use of digital twin replicas

High precision accuracy
and tracking

Urbanization density and
access to resources

Zero energy IoT devices

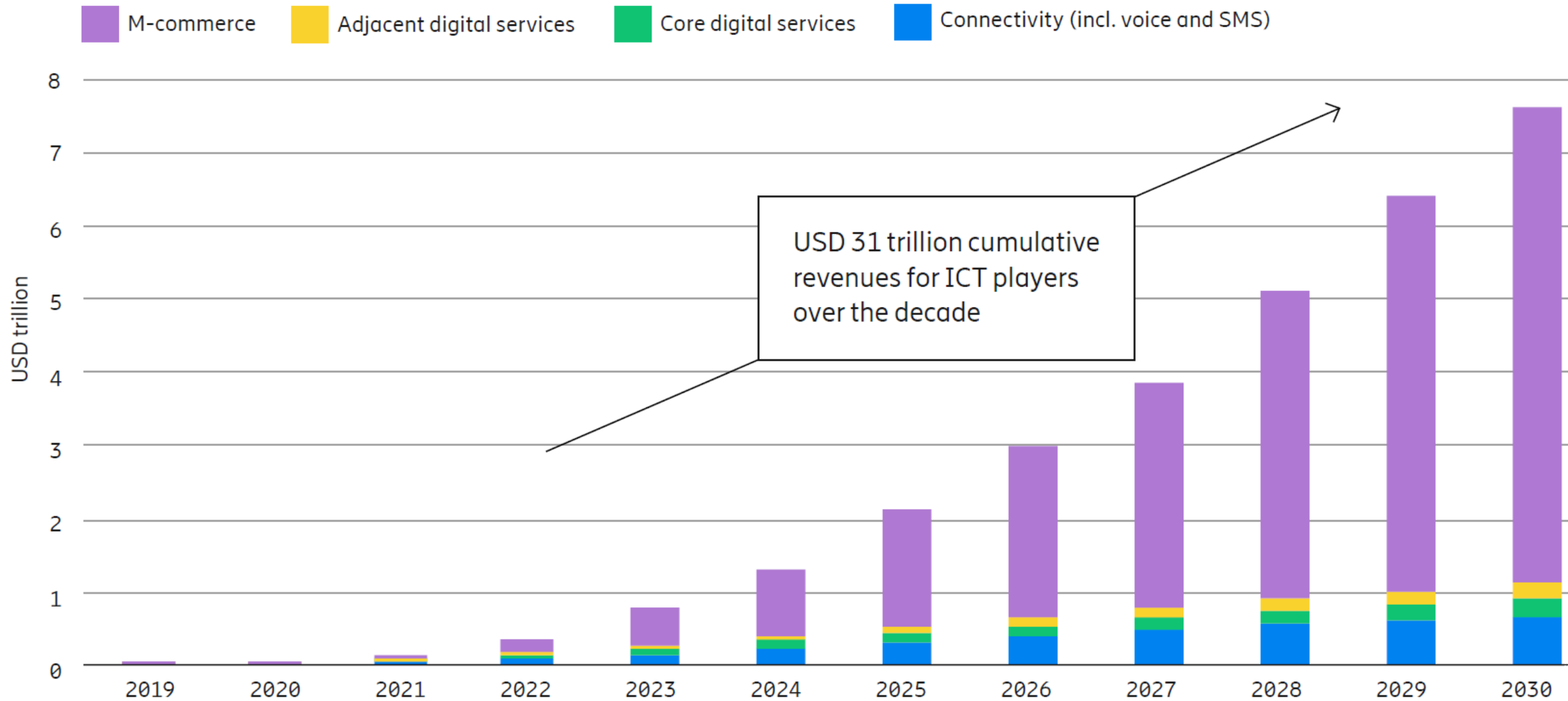
AI-driven data decision-
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Government-provided
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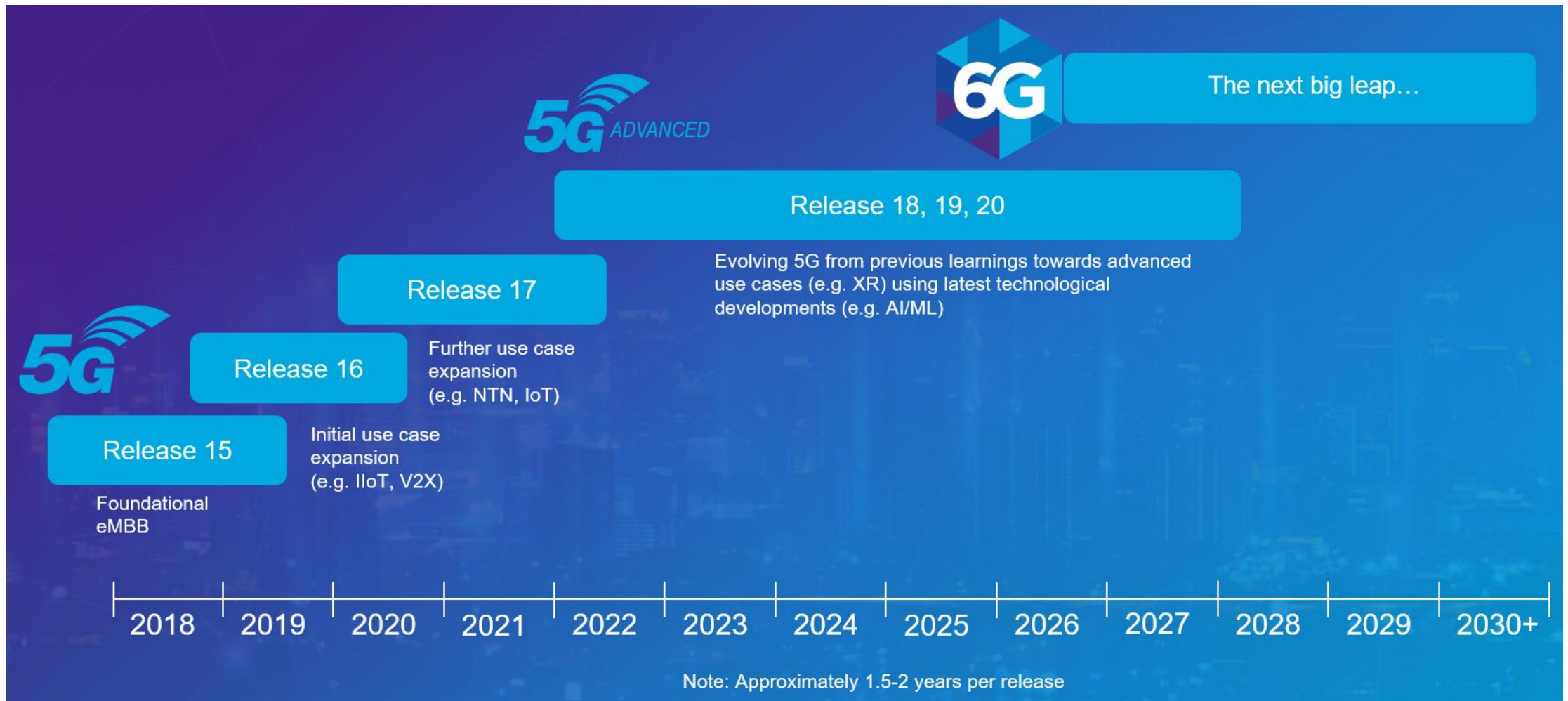
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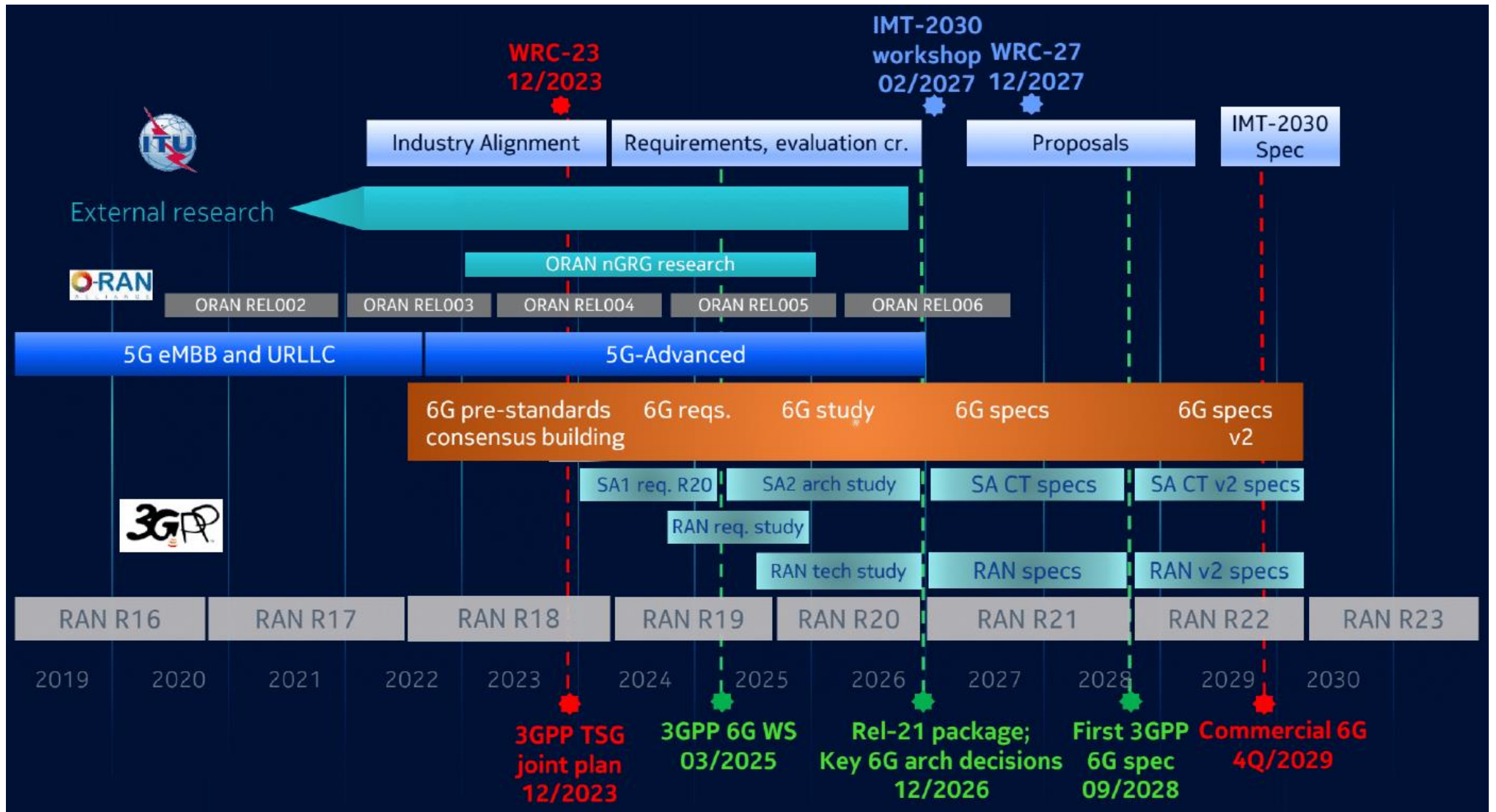
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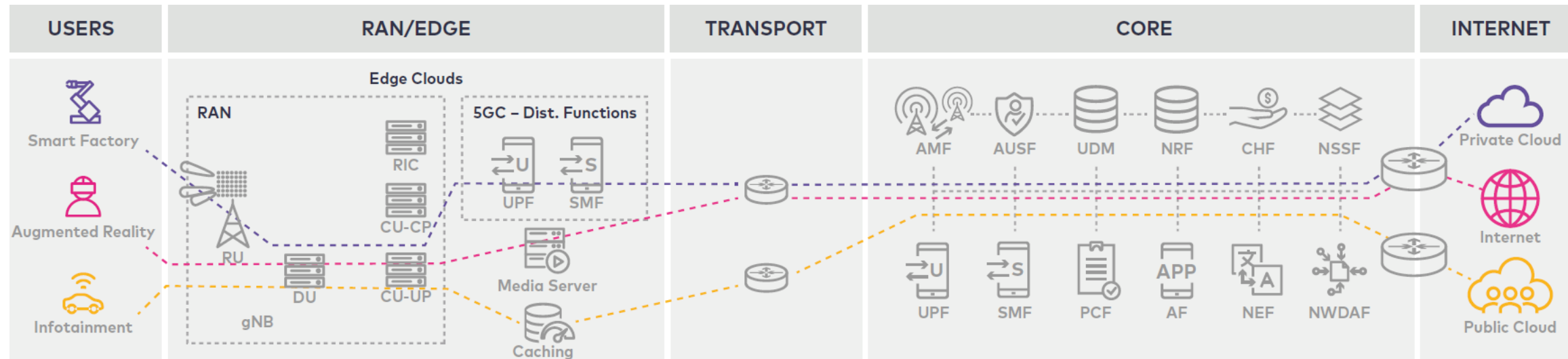
Standardization of 5G and 6G: 3GPP and ITU



Based on Baker and Nokia (2023).

Next: 10) The mobile network segments

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Based on Amdocs (2020).

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RAN vs Open RAN

The figure compares two RAN architectures using radar charts. The left chart, 'Closed HW-Based RAN', shows Vendor A's performance across seven metrics: RU Feature, Frequency variant, Reliability (RU), Easy Maintenance Deployable (RU), Easy Maintenance Deployable (CU/DU), Reliability (CU/DU), and Future proof Flexibility. Vendor A's performance is limited, with red 'X' marks and padlock icons indicating locked or missing capabilities. The right chart, 'Open RAN', shows the same metrics for three vendors: Vendor B (green), Vendor A (red), and Vendor C (purple). Vendor B is highlighted as the 'Best of breed' product, showing superior performance across most metrics. Below the charts, an orange box for Closed RAN states 'Relying on vendor's roadmap and capability', while a blue box for Open RAN states 'Select innovative, best-of-breed products' and 'Reduce vendor lock-in'. A summary box at the bottom explains that Open vRAN allows for more flexible selection of products without full reliance on a single vendor's hardware-based RAN product.

Closed HW-Based RAN

Vendor A

RU Feature

SW Feature

Frequency variant

Reliability (RU)

Easy Maintenance Deployable (RU)

Easy Maintenance Deployable (CU/DU)

Reliability (CU/DU)

Future proof Flexibility

Open RAN

Vendor B

Vendor A

Vendor C

RU Feature

SW Feature

Frequency variant

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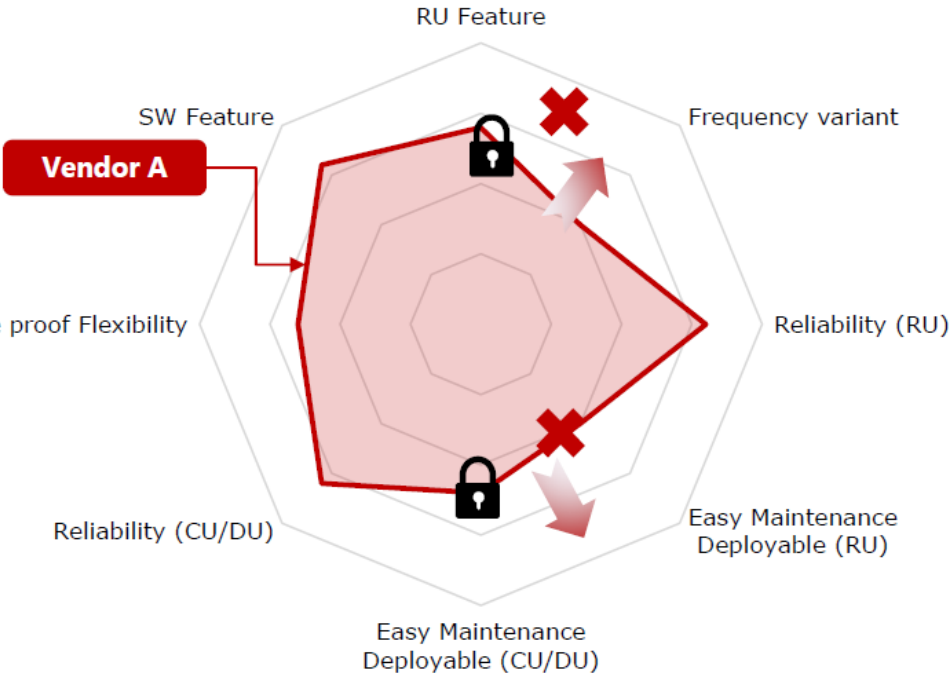
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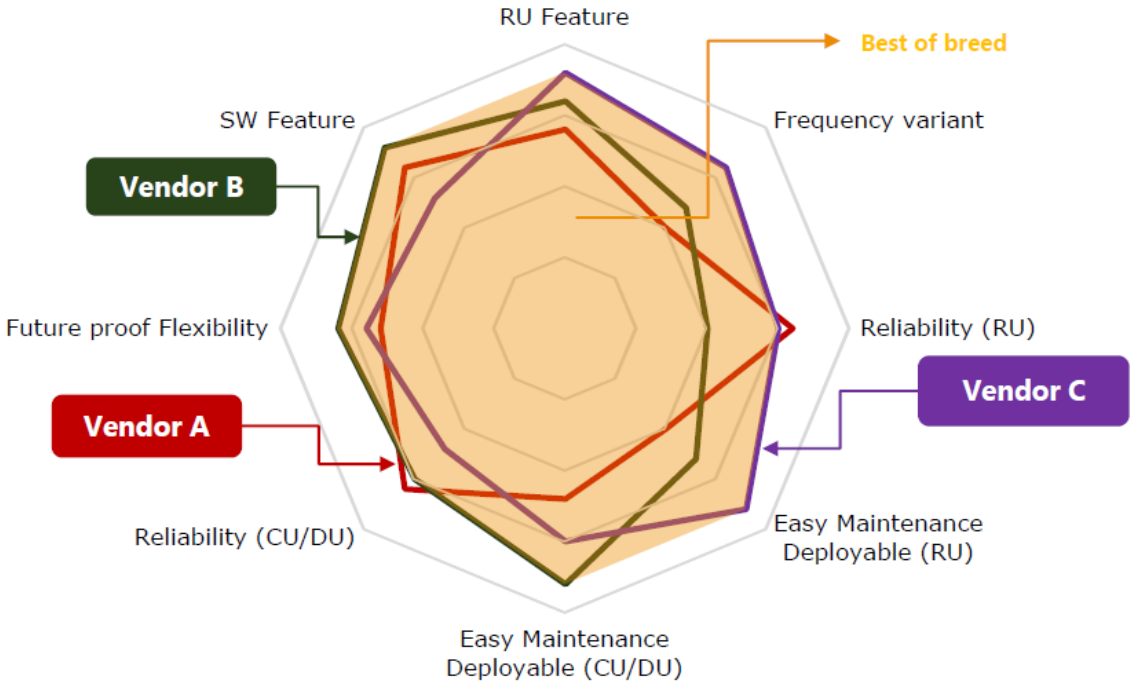
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Based on Murakami (2022).

Next: 13) From RAN to Open RAN



Relying on vendor's roadmap and capability



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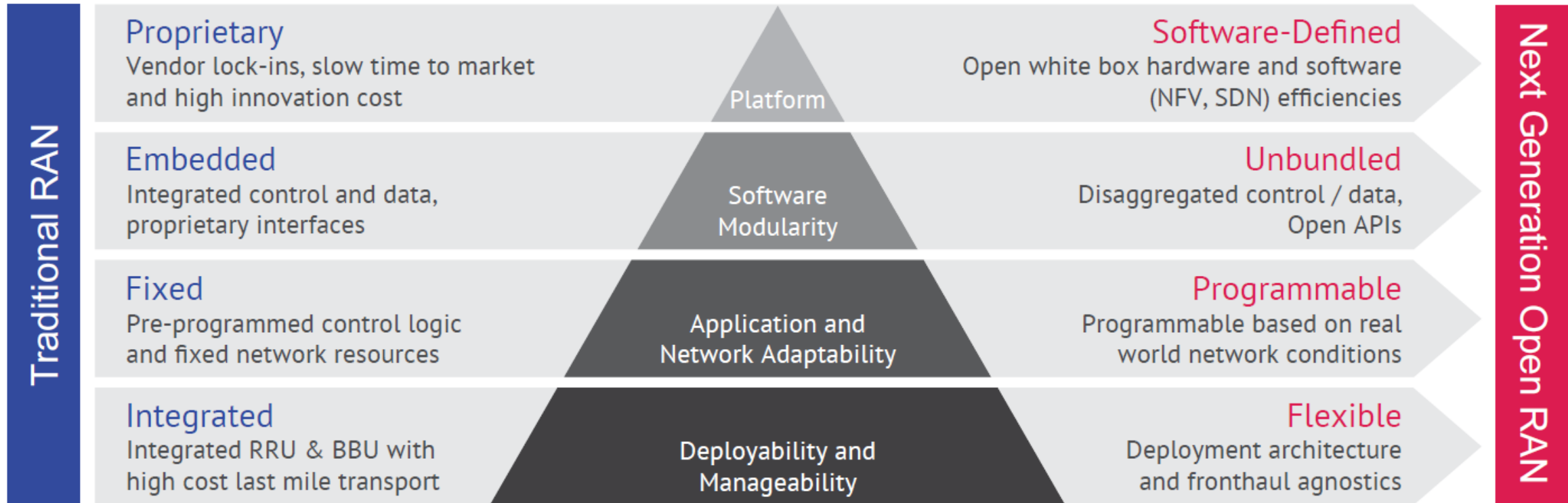
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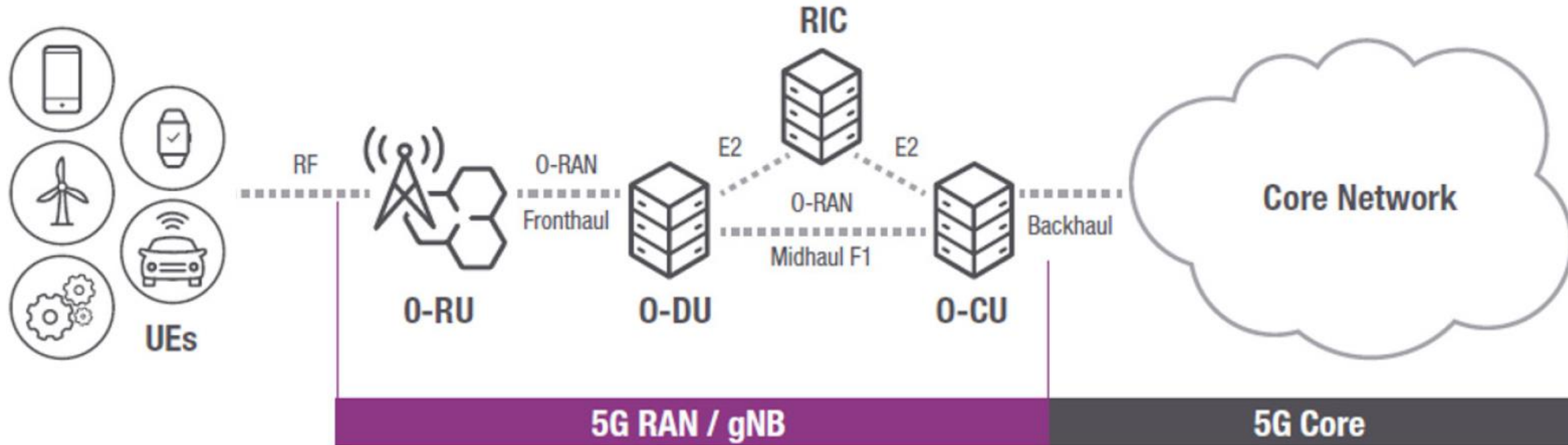
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Fonte: Radisys (2022).

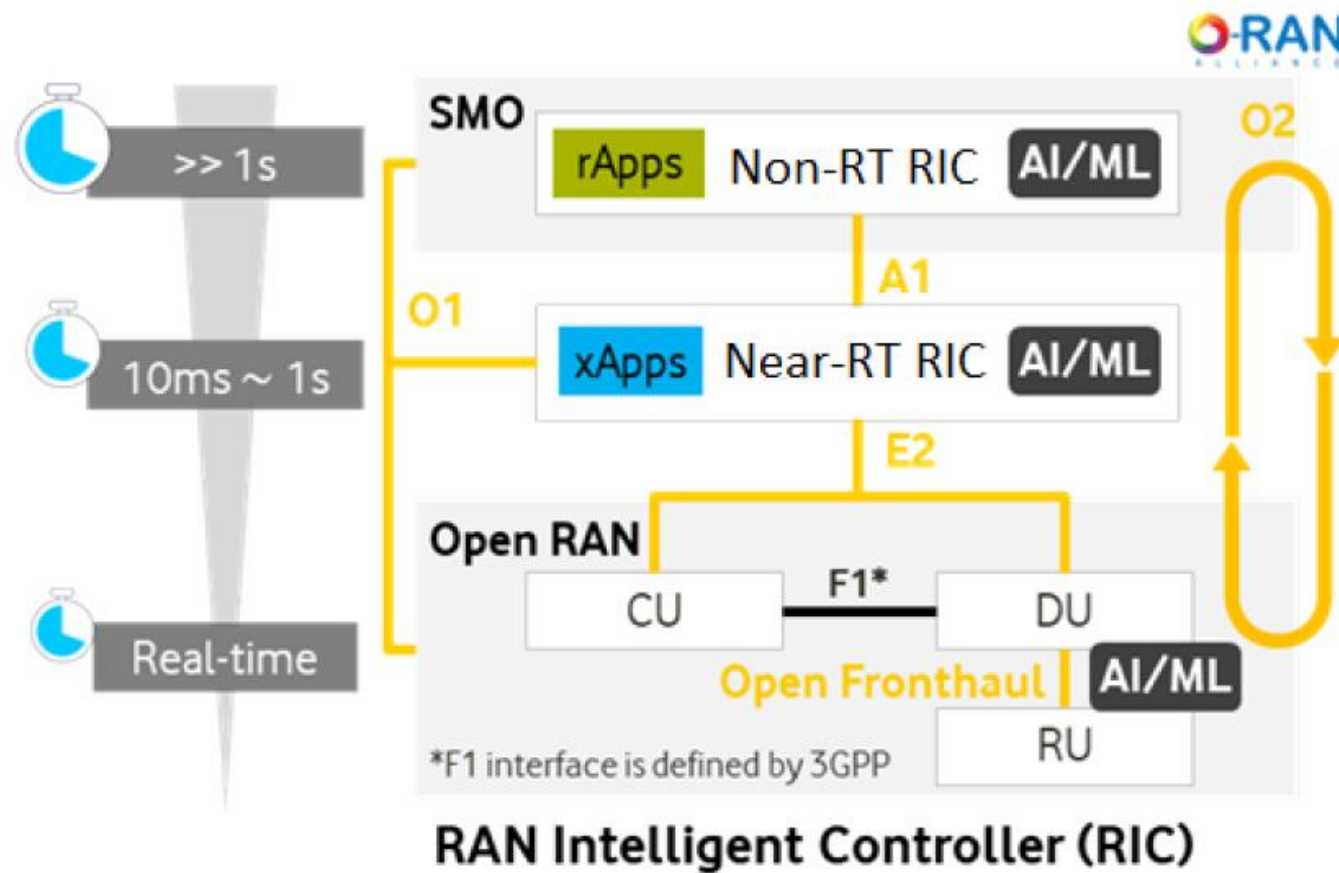
Open RAN macro vision



Based on Keysight (2023a).

RAN Intelligent Controller

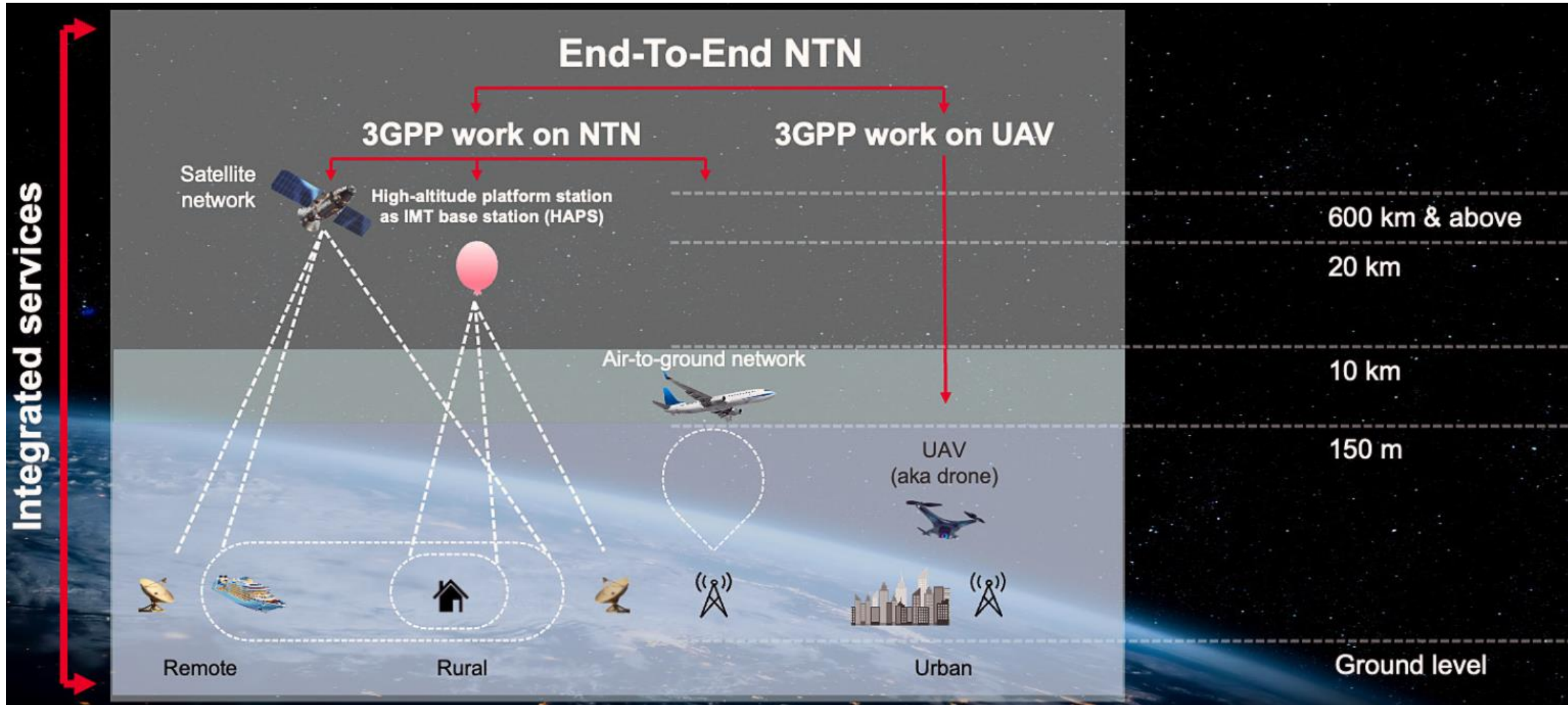
RAN Intelligent Controller (RIC) will allow open RAN networks to enable real wide multi-vendor ecosystem of applications that will implement basic and novel RAN optimization automation use cases



Based on Miguel (2023).

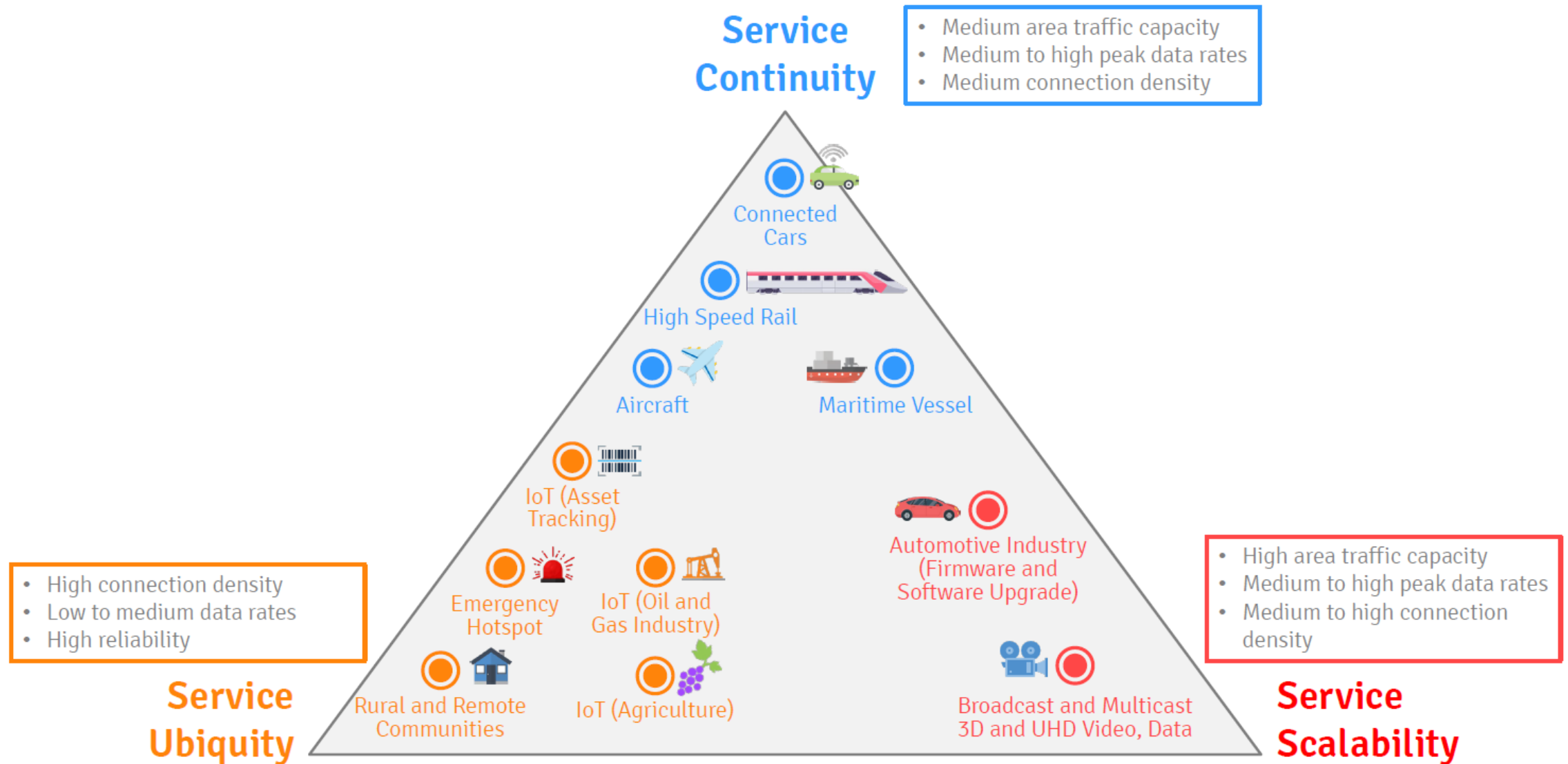
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A conceptual overview of Non-Terrestrial Networks



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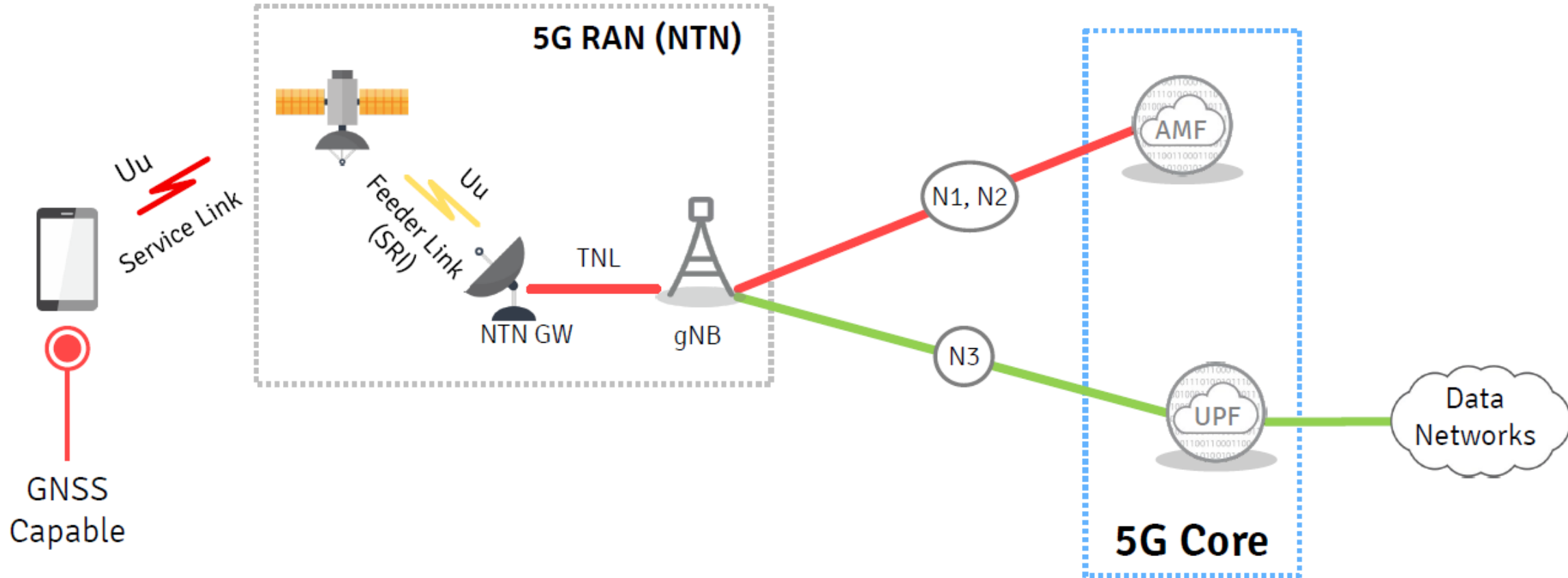
Usage scenarios for NTN



Based on Shepherd and Roberts (2022).

Next: 18) Example of NTN architecture

Example of NTN architecture














SRI: Satellite Radio Interface
NTN GW: Non-Terrestrial Network Gateway
TNL: Transport Network Layer
GNSS: Global Navigation Satellite System

Based on Shepherd and Roberts (2022).

Next: 19) Key network characteristics: 5G verticals

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	 5GMBB	 Automotive	 Industry	 Public Safety	 Healthcare	 Energy & Utilities	 Public Transport	 Retail	 Media	 Gaming	 Financial
Low Latency		●		●	●		●		●	●	●
Virtualization/cloud	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Scale	●	●		●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Densification	●	●				●	●				
Reliability	●	●	●	●	●	●	●				●
Private			●		●						●
Automation	●	●	●								
Mobility	●	●		●			●	●		●	
Bandwidth	●				●			●		●	●
End to End for Mobile Edge	●	●	●	●		●			●	●	
End-to-End	●				●				●		
Indoor	●							●		●	
Security			●	●	●	●					●

Based on Urvik, S, Neuens, and Viavi (2022).

Next: 20) Why NPN?

Why Non-Public Networks?



COVERAGE

Private networks cover large areas and can operate in different frequencies



CAPACITY

Can connect thousands of high-density devices concurrently



RELIABILITY

From leveraging carrier grade design principles to operating in managed shared access or licensed spectrum



SECURITY

Built ground up to be highly secure leveraging security protocols inherent in P5G networks



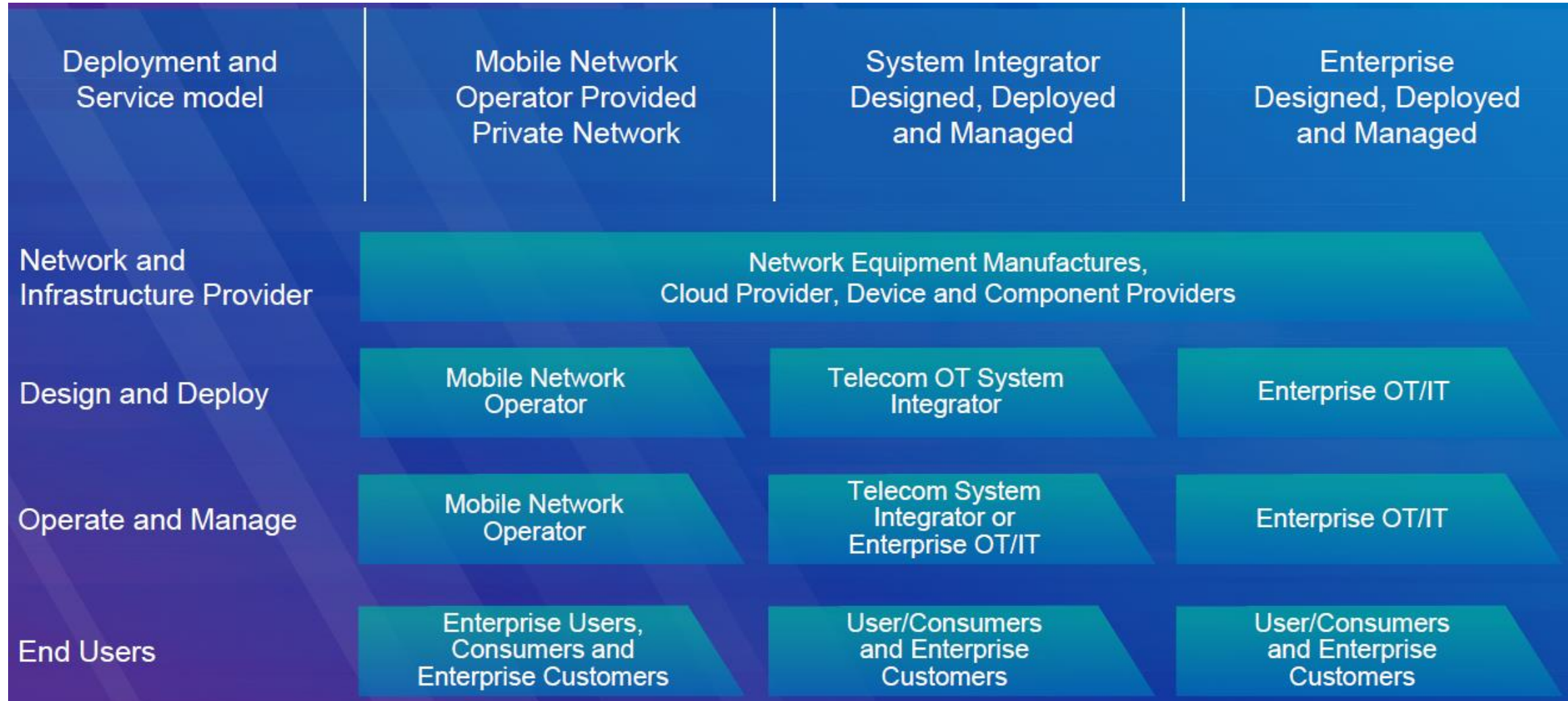
SERVICE FLEXIBILITY

Native advanced service flexibility through capability like network slicing and support of mission critical and non-mission critical applications

Based on Urvik, S, Neuens, and Viavi (2022).

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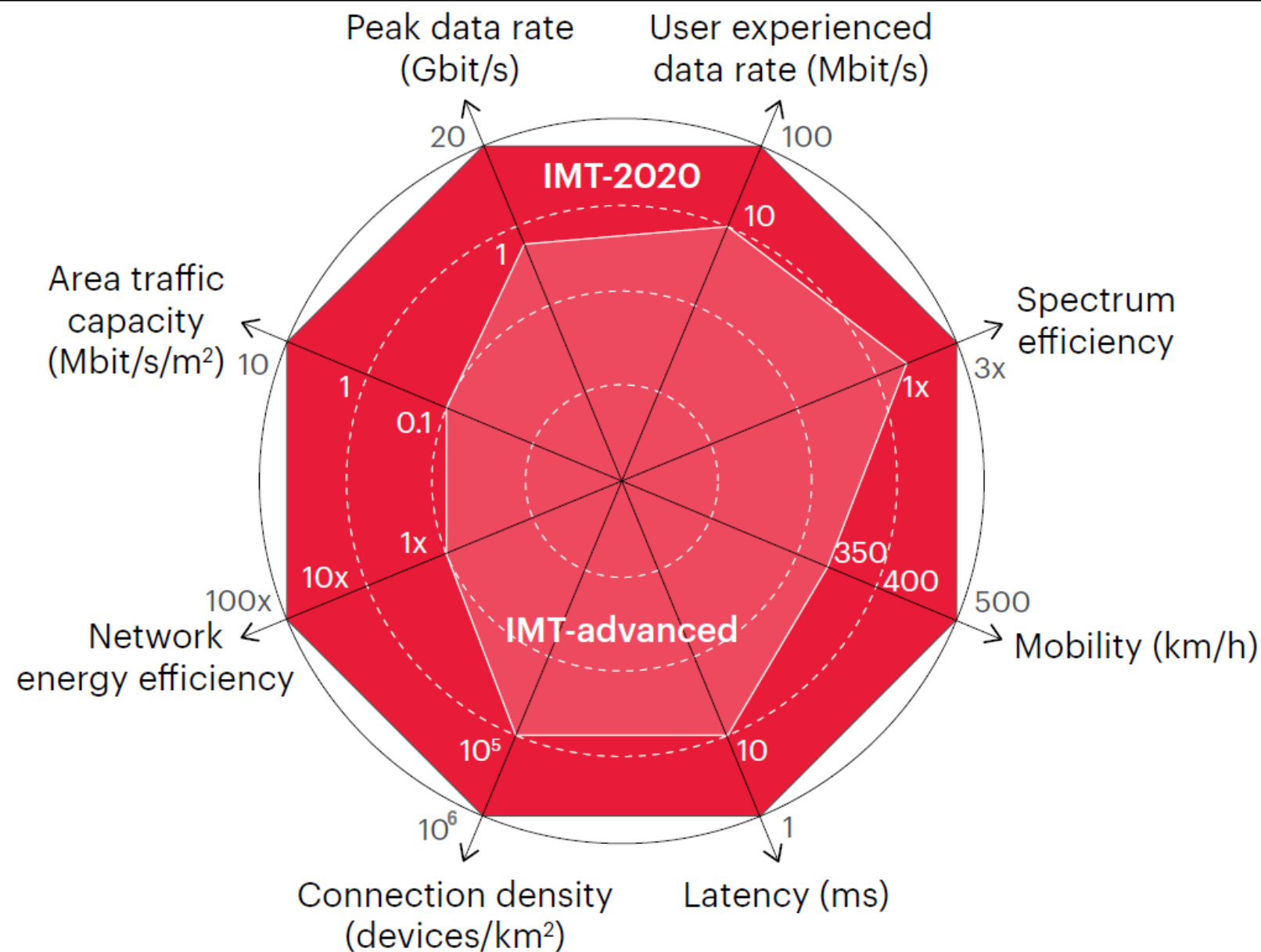
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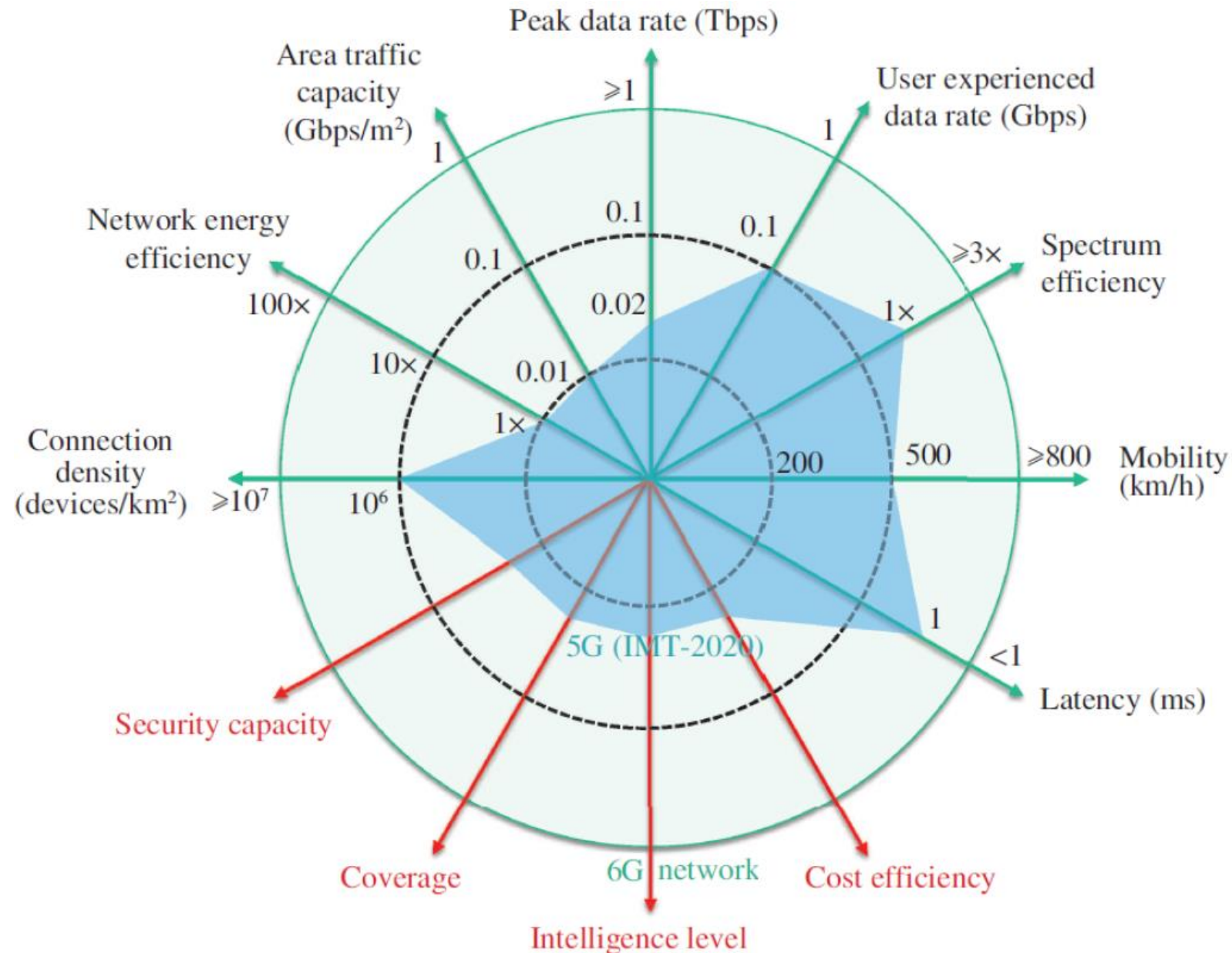
From 4G to IMT-2020: performance metrics for 5G



Based on Keysight (2023b).

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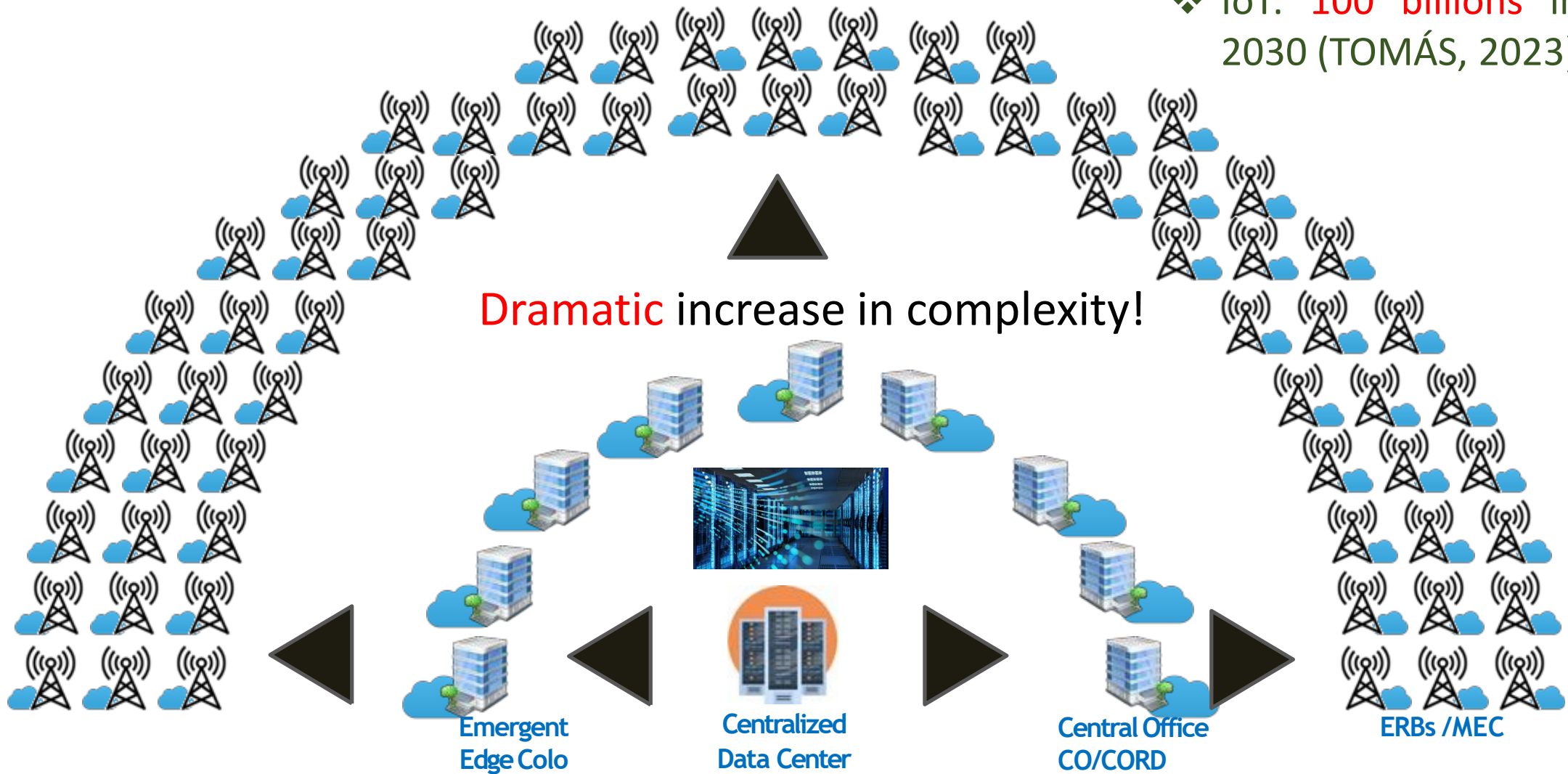
Based on You et al. (2021) apud Silva, Batista Jr, Sousa, Mostaçó, Monteiro, Bressan, Cugnasca, and Silveira (2022).

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Innovation and environmental sustainability challenges



❖ IoT: 100 billions in 2030 (TOMÁS, 2023)



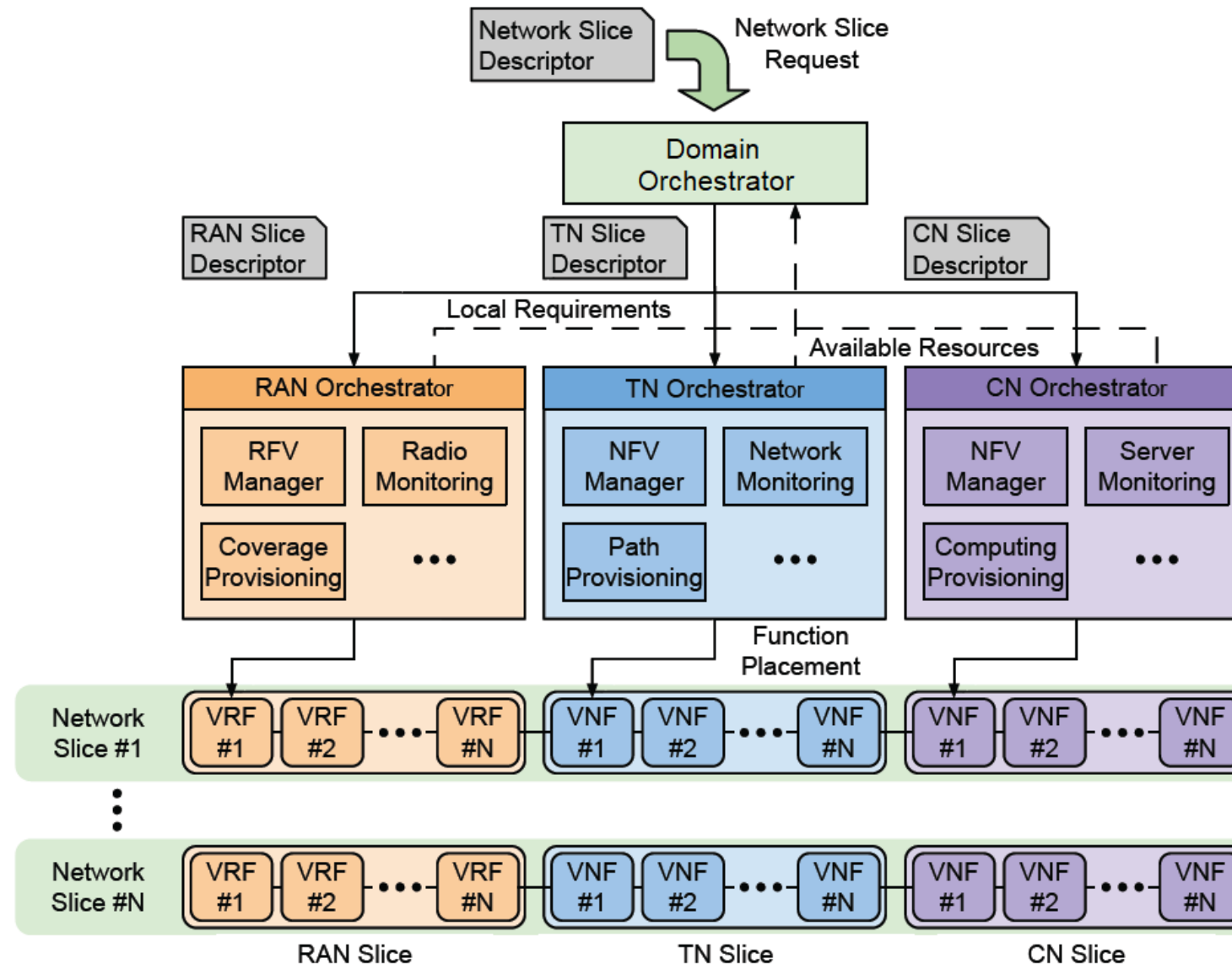
Based on Roseboro, Capuano, and Barbieri (2019).

Network Service Orchestration (NSO)

Feature of Slice	4G/5G NSA Static	5G SA Static	5G SA Dynamic
Automated with orchestration	No	No	Yes
High scalability and variety of attributes	No	Medium	Yes
Required infrastructure	Core 4G	Core 5G	Core 5G + Orchestration

Based on Bourdot (2022).

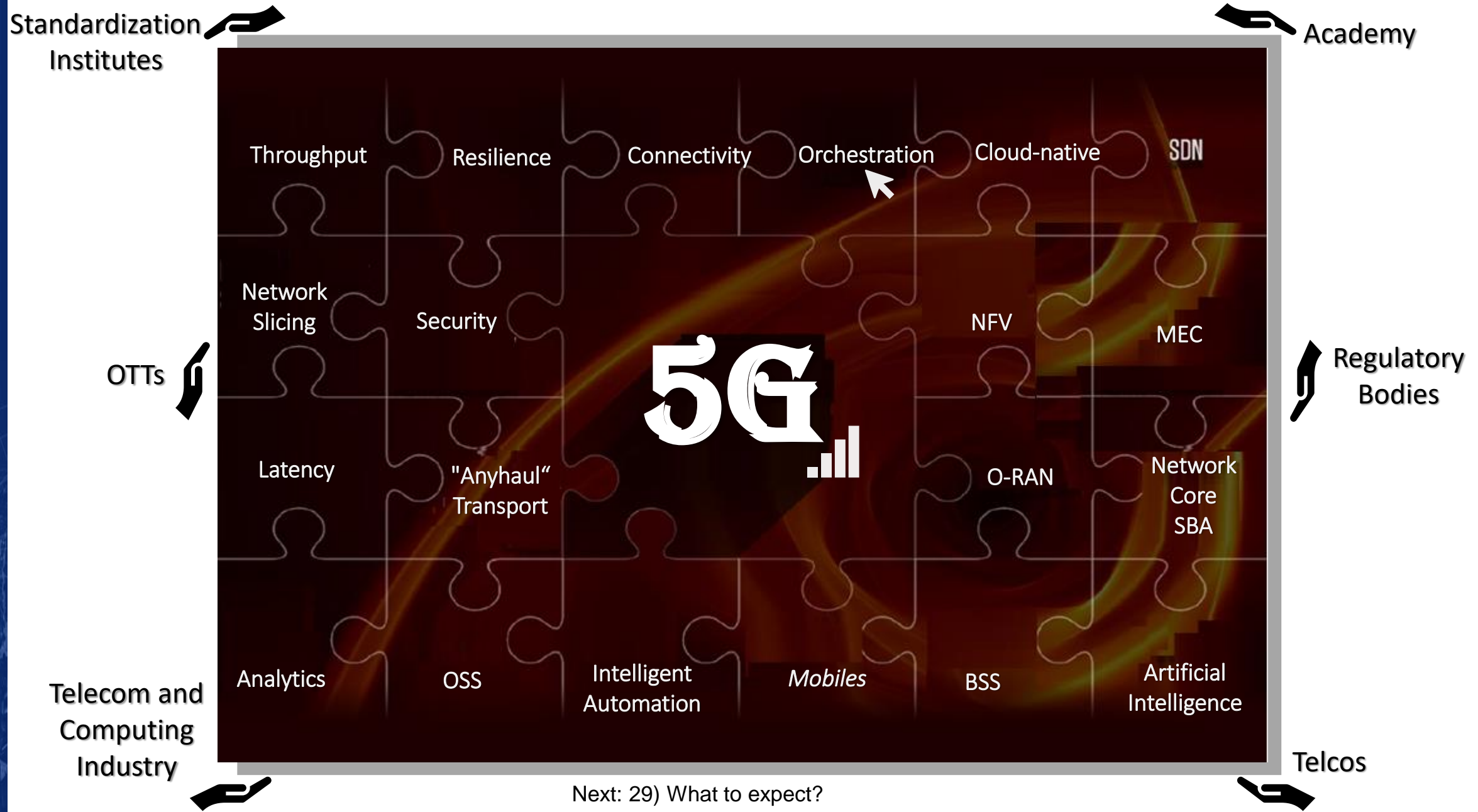
Network slicing throughout different Orchestrators



Based on Santos et al. (2020).

Next: 28) 5G networks facing their potential: R&D

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What to expect?

❑ Networks

- standardized (YEH; HUYSTEEN, 2023; YOU et al., 2021)
- disaggregated and “open” (OLIVEIRA; BATISTA JR; NOVAIS; TAKASHIMA; STANGE; MARTUCCI JR; CUGNASCA; BRESSAN, 2023; QUALCOMM, 2019)
- segregated (AFOLABI et al., 2018; BOURDOT, 2022; SOUSA; PEREZ; ROSA; SANTOS; ROTHENBERG, 2019)
- distributed cloud (BATISTA JR; MOSTAÇO; SILVA; BRESSAN; MARTUCCI JR; CUGNASCA, 2019; ROSEBORO; CAPUANO; BARBIERI, 2019)
- predictive (BATISTA JR; SILVA; MARTUCCI JR; SILVEIRA; CUGNASCA; 2021; YEH; HUYSTEEN, 2023)
- to immersive experiences (YOU et al., 2021)
- “green” (KESHISHYAN, 2023)

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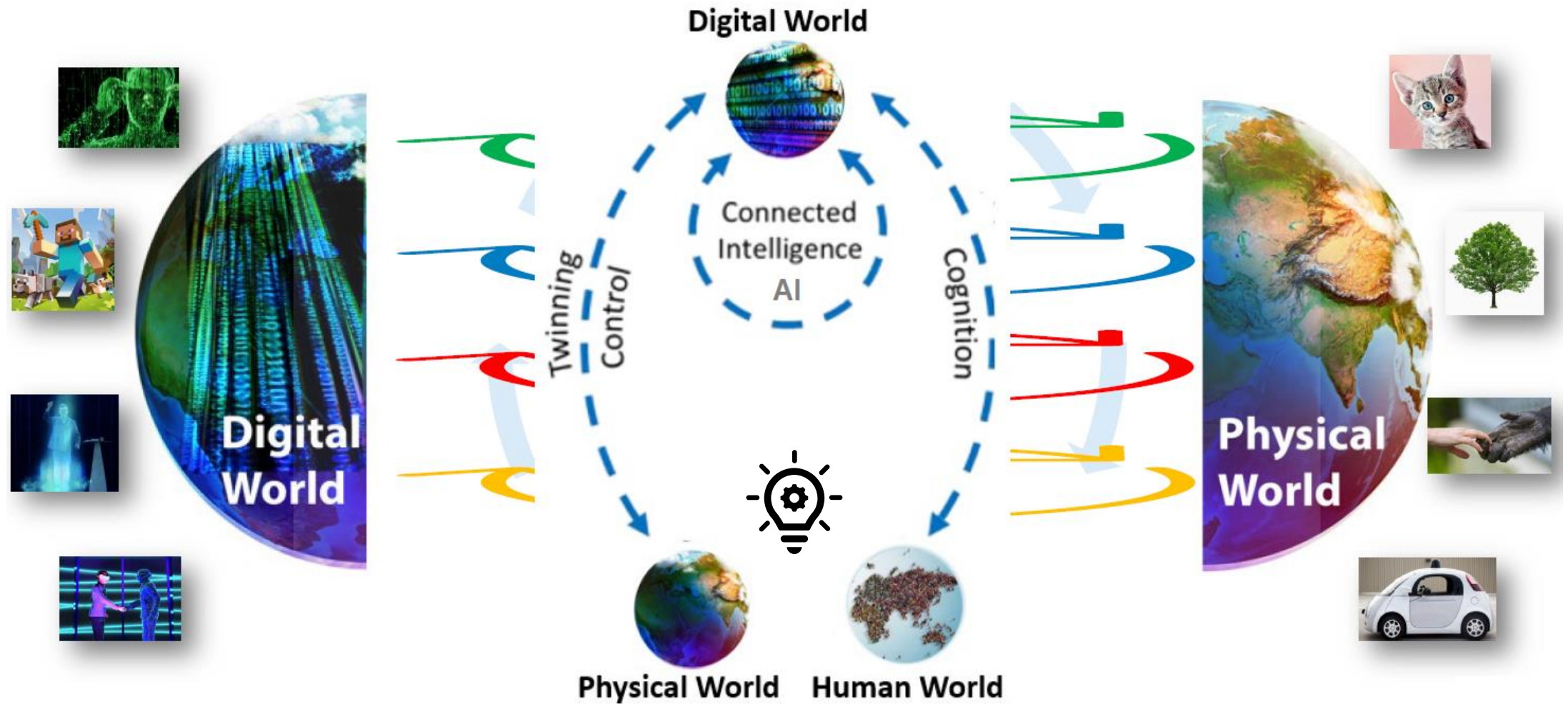
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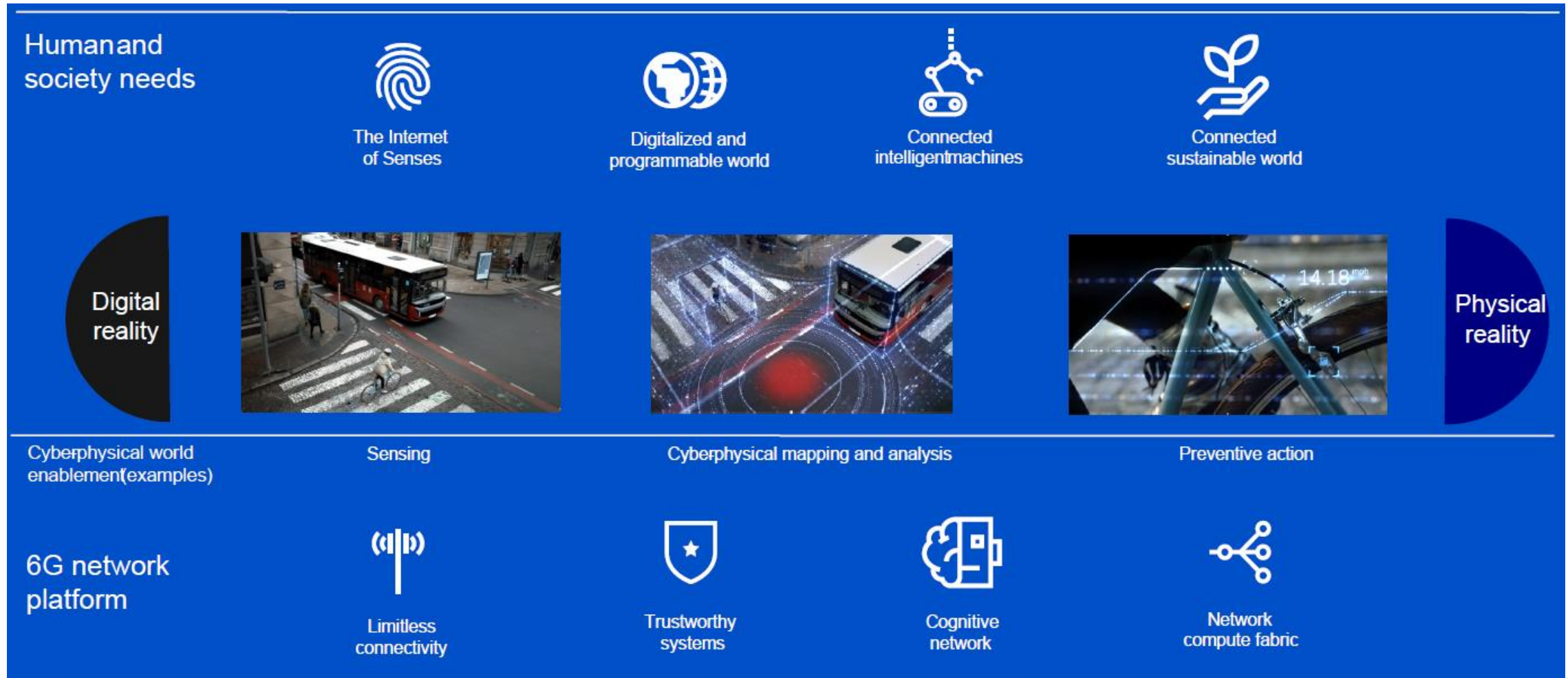
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Common vision emerging from early 6G research



Based on Scrase and European Telecommunications Standards Institute (2023).

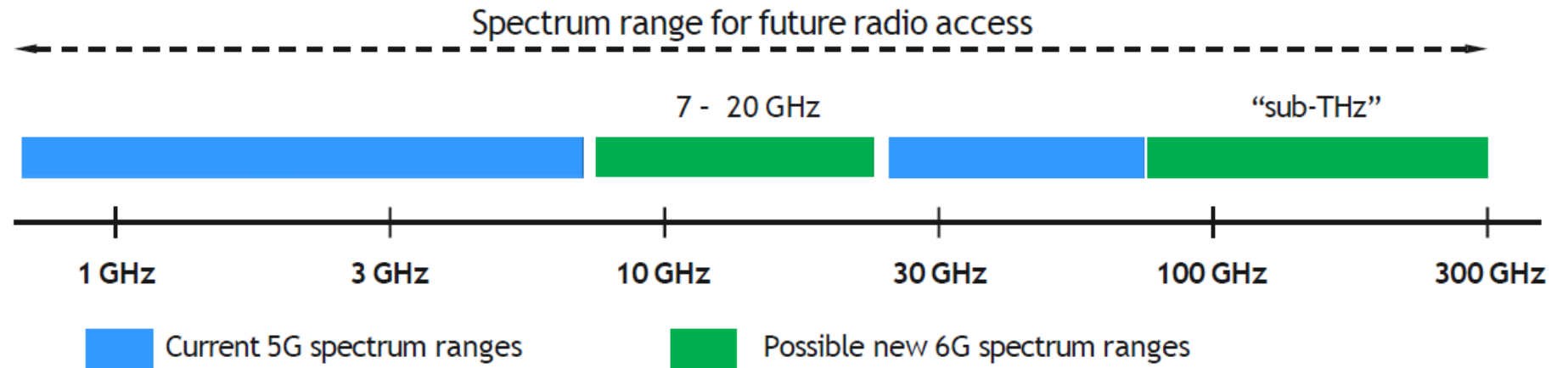
Digital and physical realities



Based on Frodigh and Ericsson (2023).

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“Existing” spectrum

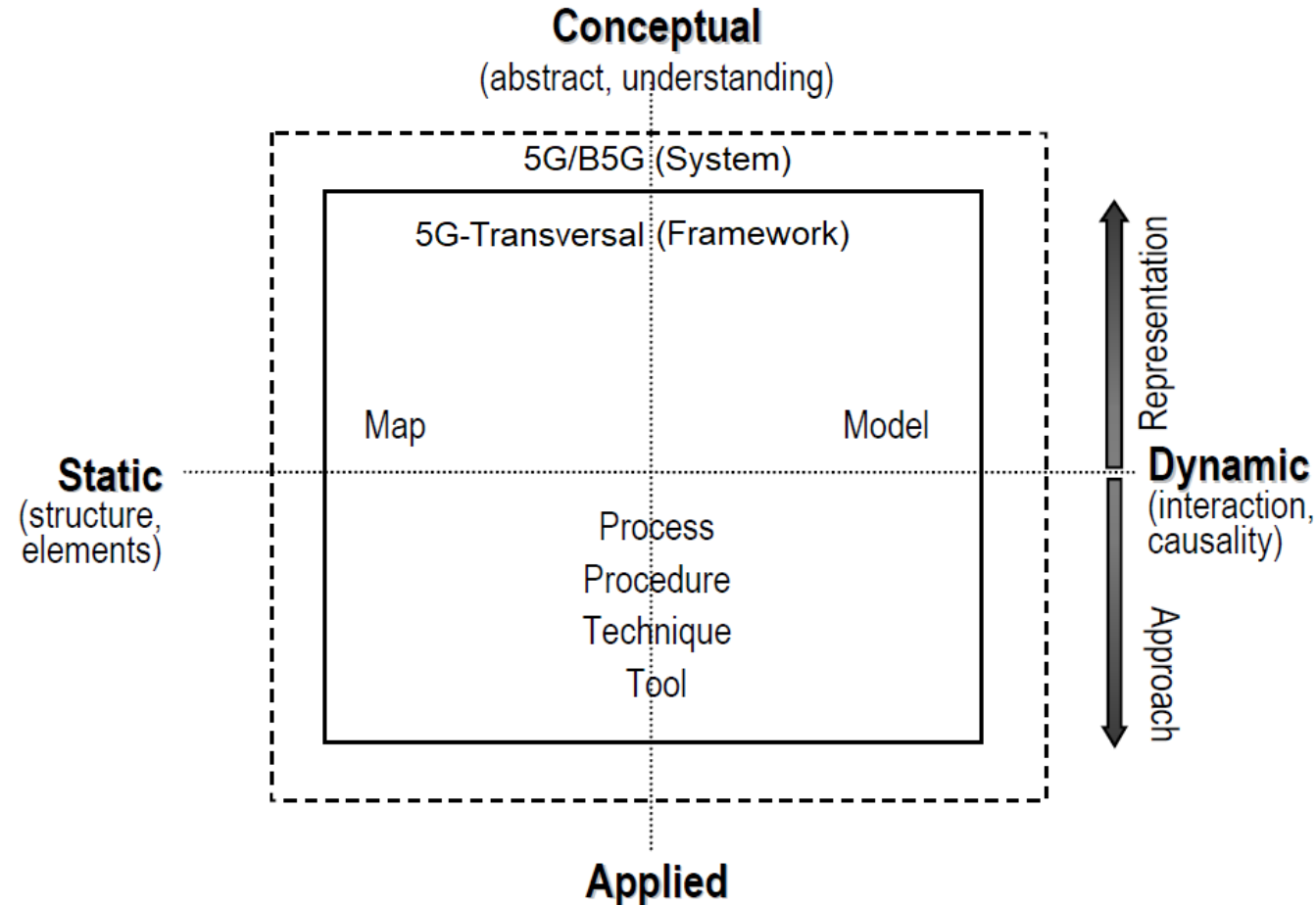
- sub-6 GHz important for coverage
- Dynamic spectrum sharing with 5G essential

“New” spectrum

- 7 - 20 GHz - highly relevant range
- “sub-THz” - for specific scenarios

Based on Almeida and Ericsson (2023).

Moving forwards



Fonte: adaptada de Shehabuddeen et al. (1999).

For further information, please download this doctoral thesis at
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Thank you very much!

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