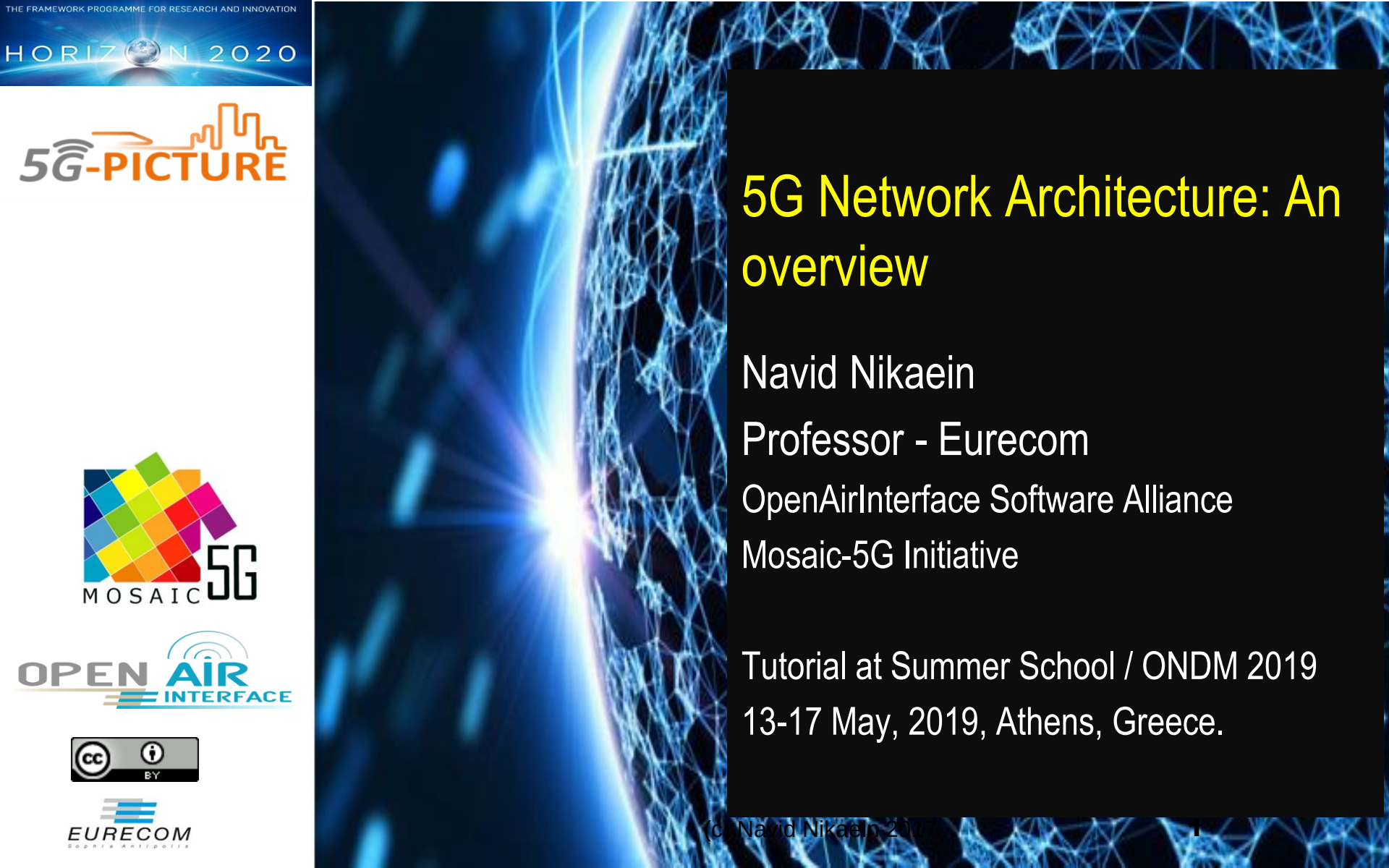

5G Network Architecture: An overview

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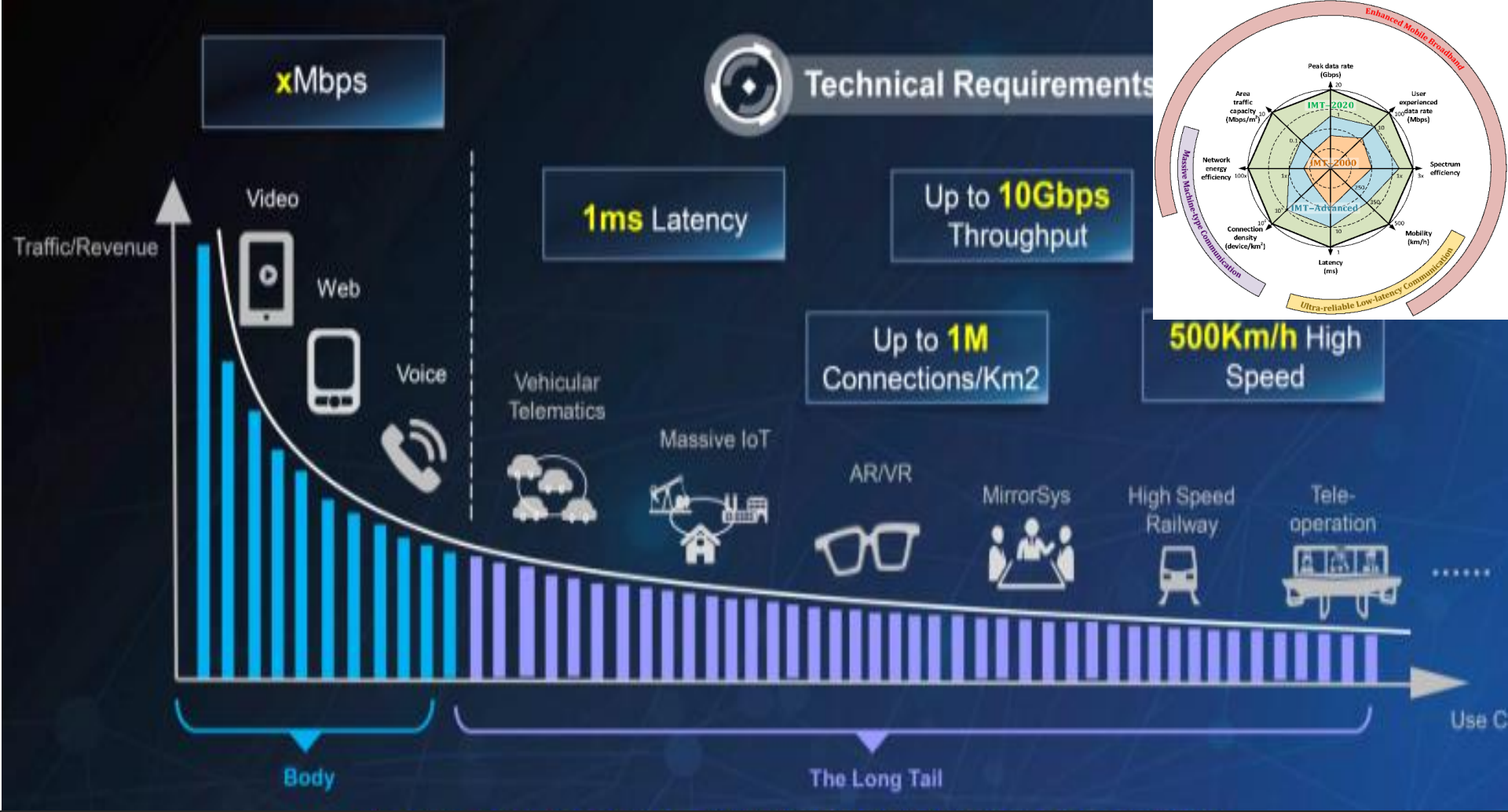
5G shall enables
Connected, Controlled, and Flexible Network as a service
Digital Society
Value Creation
Consistent experience
Sustainable business model

5G Promises

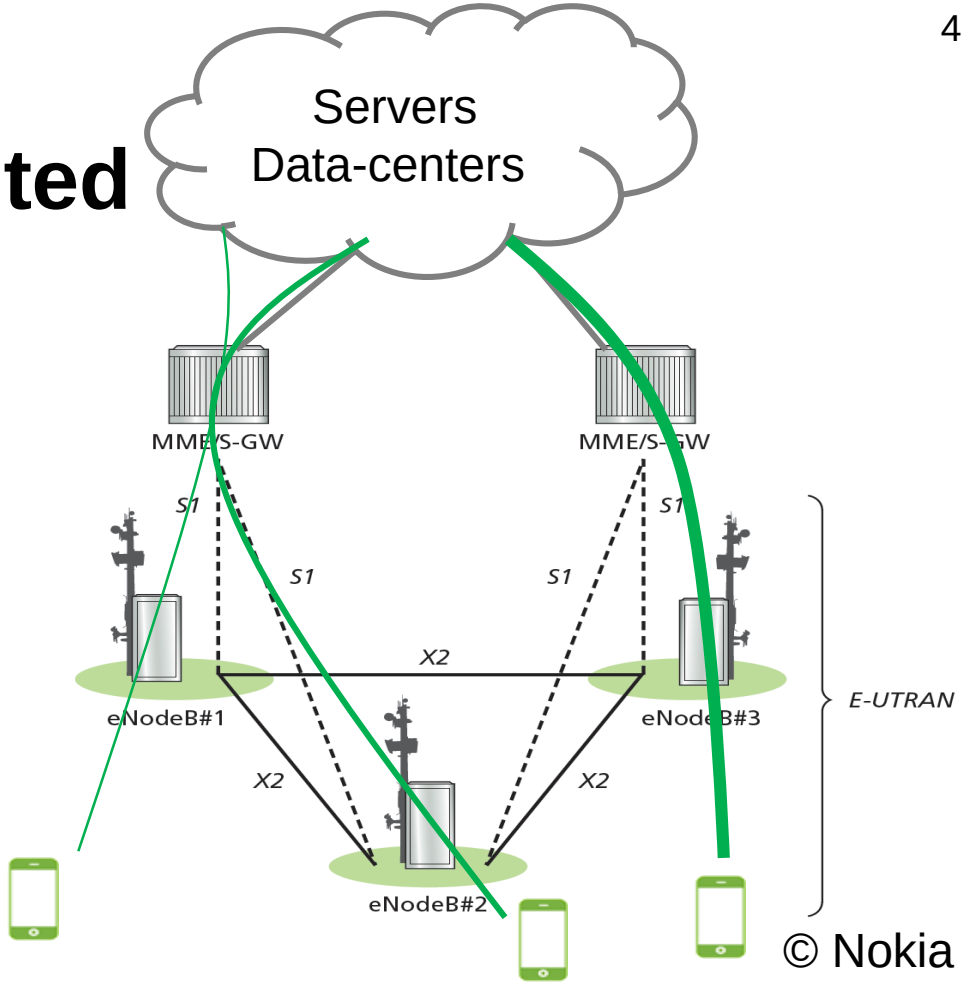


LT→ Driving Forces of 5G

Communication-Oriented

Today's 4G is designed for a limited number of UCs

- Throughput-optimized
- Fixed
- Rigid



Is 4G enough?

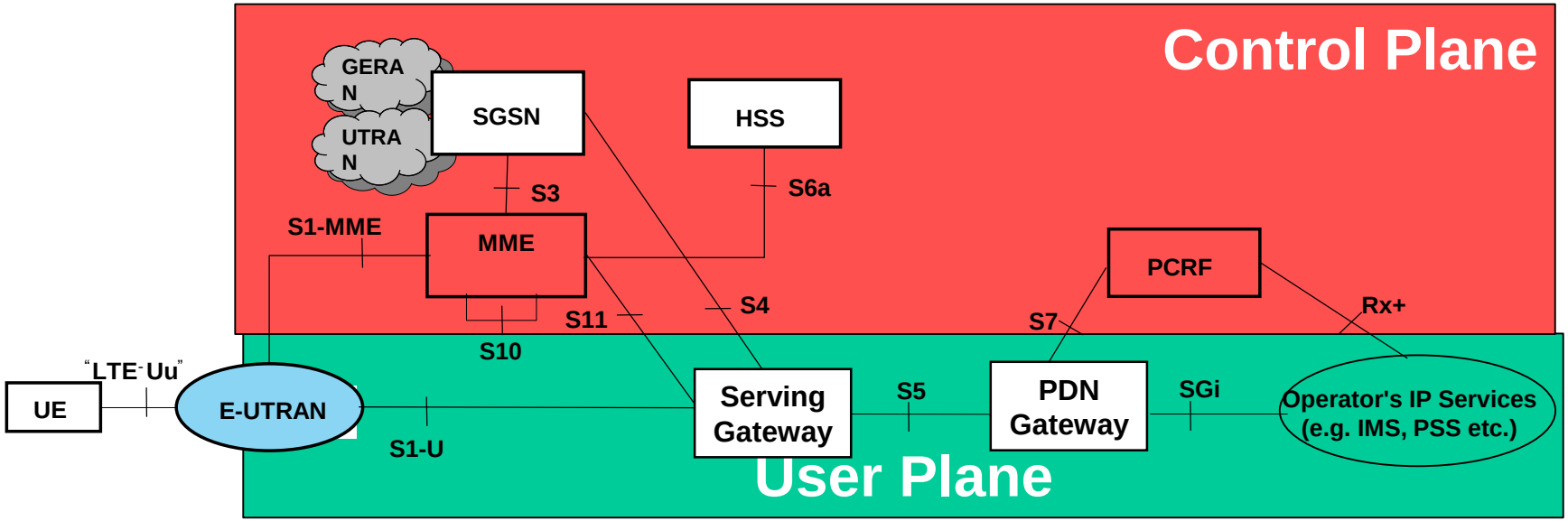
Monolithic BS

Stateful network entities

Transactional communication mode

Certain level of CP and UP separation

Common entity for user mobility and session management



Communication-oriented 4G

Multi-operator RAN(MORAN)

Shared RAN nodes, dedicated spectrum, but separated CN per operator

Multi-operator CN (MOCN)

Shared RAN nodes and spectrum, but separated CN per operator with proprietary services

Gateway CN (GWCN)

shared RAN and part of core networks

Dedicated core (DECOR)

Deploy multiple dedicated CNs (DCNs) within a single operator network

One or multiple MMEs and SGWs/PGWs, each element

Evolved DECOR (eDECOR)

UE assisted DCN selection

Network Node Selection Function (NNSF) at RAN to select directly the proper DCN towards which the NAS signaling needs to be forwarded

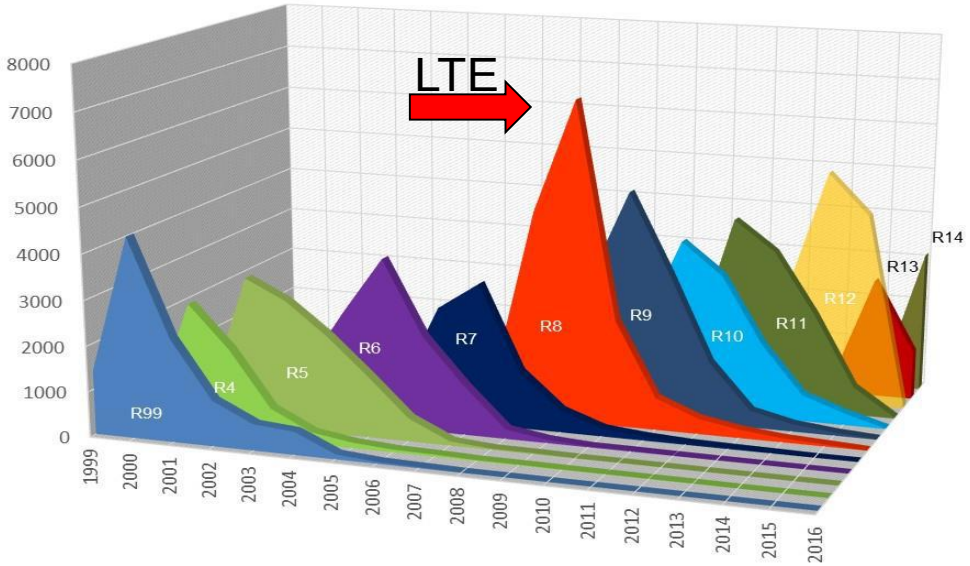
Congestion control and load balancing among multiple DCN with shared MME

4G Network Sharing Models

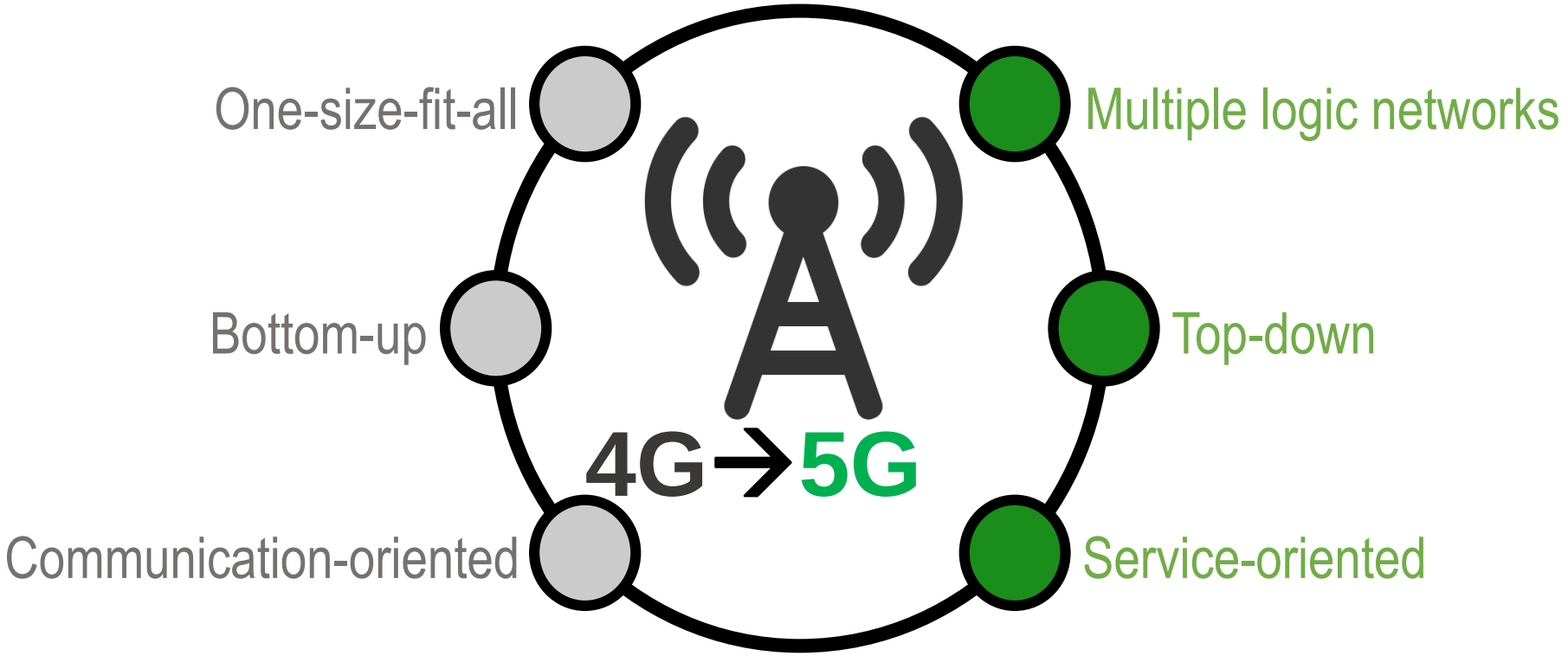
Mindful about

3GPPP facts and figures

514 Companies from 45 Countries
50,000 delegate days per year
40,000 meeting documents per year
1,200 specifications per Release
10,000 change requests per year

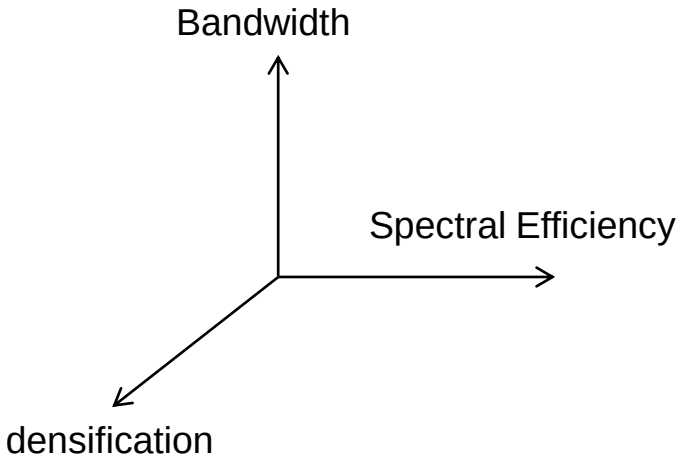


3GPP R8 Facts and Figures

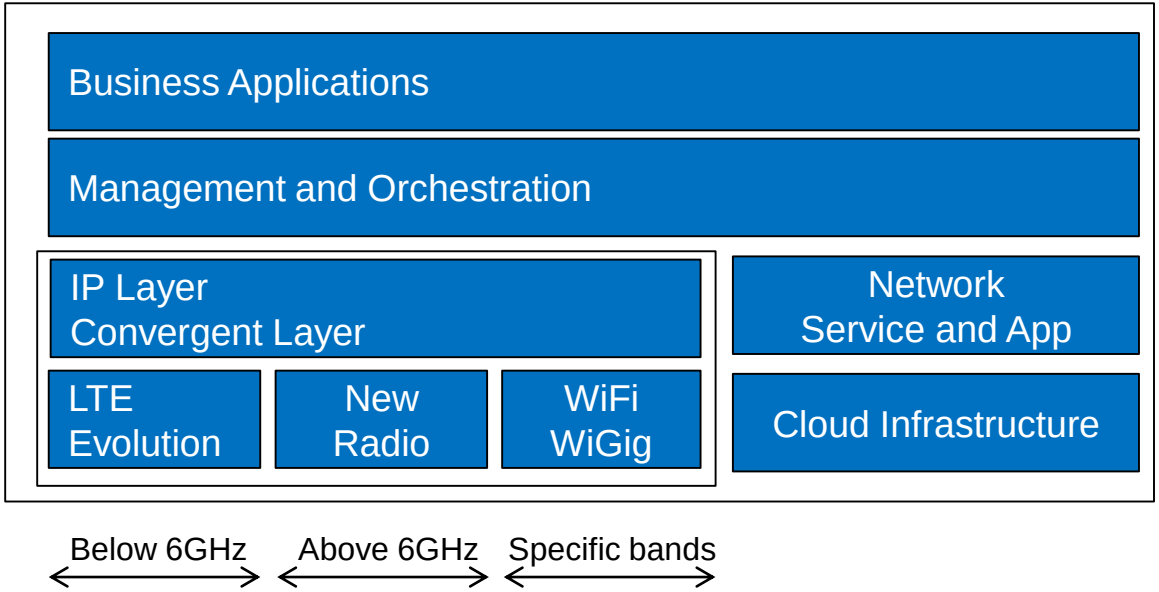


Evolution from 4G to 5G

Dimension in increasing capacity

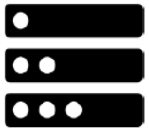


Overall 5G Components



5G is not just a new radio/spectrum, but also a new architecture and business helper

5G : A Paradigm Shift



Software Defined Networking

Fog Computing
Edge Computing

SDN/NFV Orchestration

Network Function Virtualization

Cloudification Virtualization

Contextual Networking

Heterogeneous Networking

Self Organization Networking

Ultra dense network

Advanced MIMO

Advanced waveforms

Millimeter Wave

Carrier Aggregation of discontinuous bands

Flexible and high capacity backhaul

Single channel full duplexing

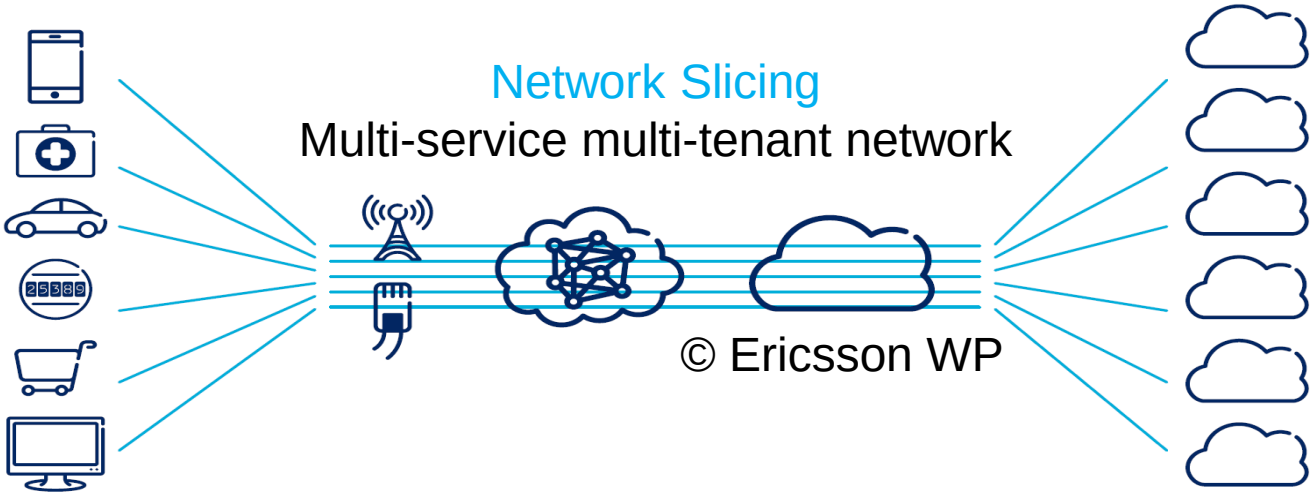
New Spectrum Allocations

More Flexible Spectrum

5G Technology Enablers

Turn physical infrastructure into multiple logical networks, one per service instance: **One-Network, Many-Service**

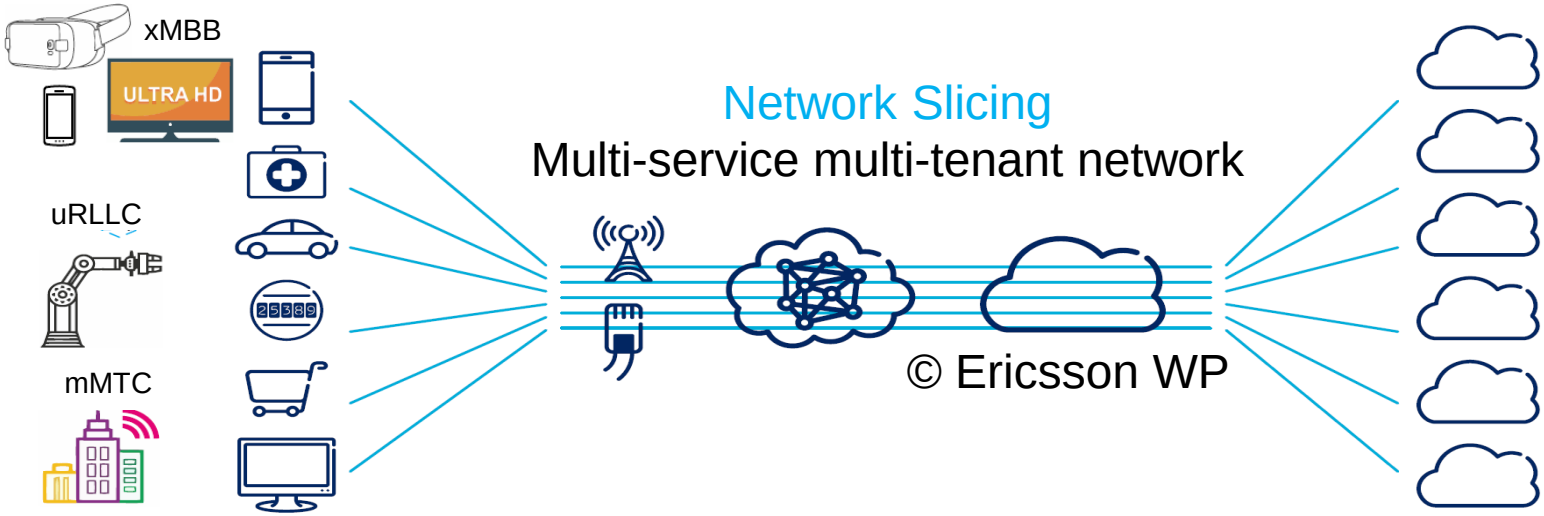
NOT a one-size fits all architecture **NOT** a Dedicated Network



Service-oriented 5G

5G novel usage scenarios: eMBB, uRLLC, mMTC

Multi-disciplinary approach with the fusion of computing, communication, information, and IT



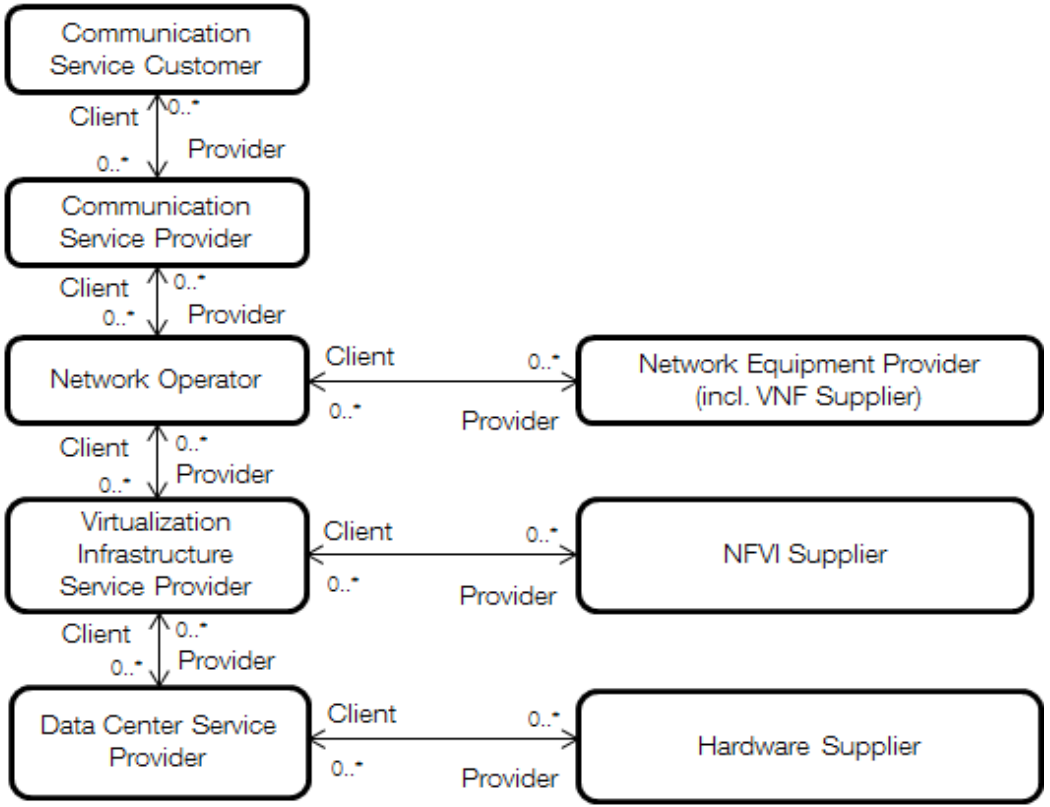
Service-oriented 5G

3GPP Role Model (3GPPP 28.801)

E.g.: End user,
Small & Medium Entreprise,
Large entreprise,
Vertical,
Other CSP, etc.

Network Slicing evolves the value-chain of telecom industry:

Decoupling of Players, but the reality might be different



Service-oriented 5G

5G 3GPP Re-Architects Mobile Network

	3G	4G	5G
Downlink waveform	CDMA	OFDM	OFDM, SCFDMA
Uplink waveform	CDMA	SCFDMA	OFDMA, SCFDMA
Channel coding	Turbo	Turbo	LDPC (data) / Polar (L1 contr.)
Beamforming	No	Only data	Full support
Spectrum	0.8 – 2.1 GHz	0.4 – 6 GHz	0.4 – 90 GHz
Bandwidth	5 MHz	1.4 – 20 MHz	Up to 100 MHz (400MHz for >6GHz)
Network slicing	No	No	Yes
QoS	Bearer based	Bearer based	Flow based
Small packet support	No	No	Connectionless
In-built cloud support	No	No	Yes

3GPP 5G Features

(1) Ultra-flexible radio-access configurations

Higher bandwidth

Higher spectral efficiency (bits/s/Hz/m2)

Bandwidth parts: tailor bandwidth to UE class (like eMTC narrowbands/widebands)

Network slicing : new abstractions for service classification down to L1

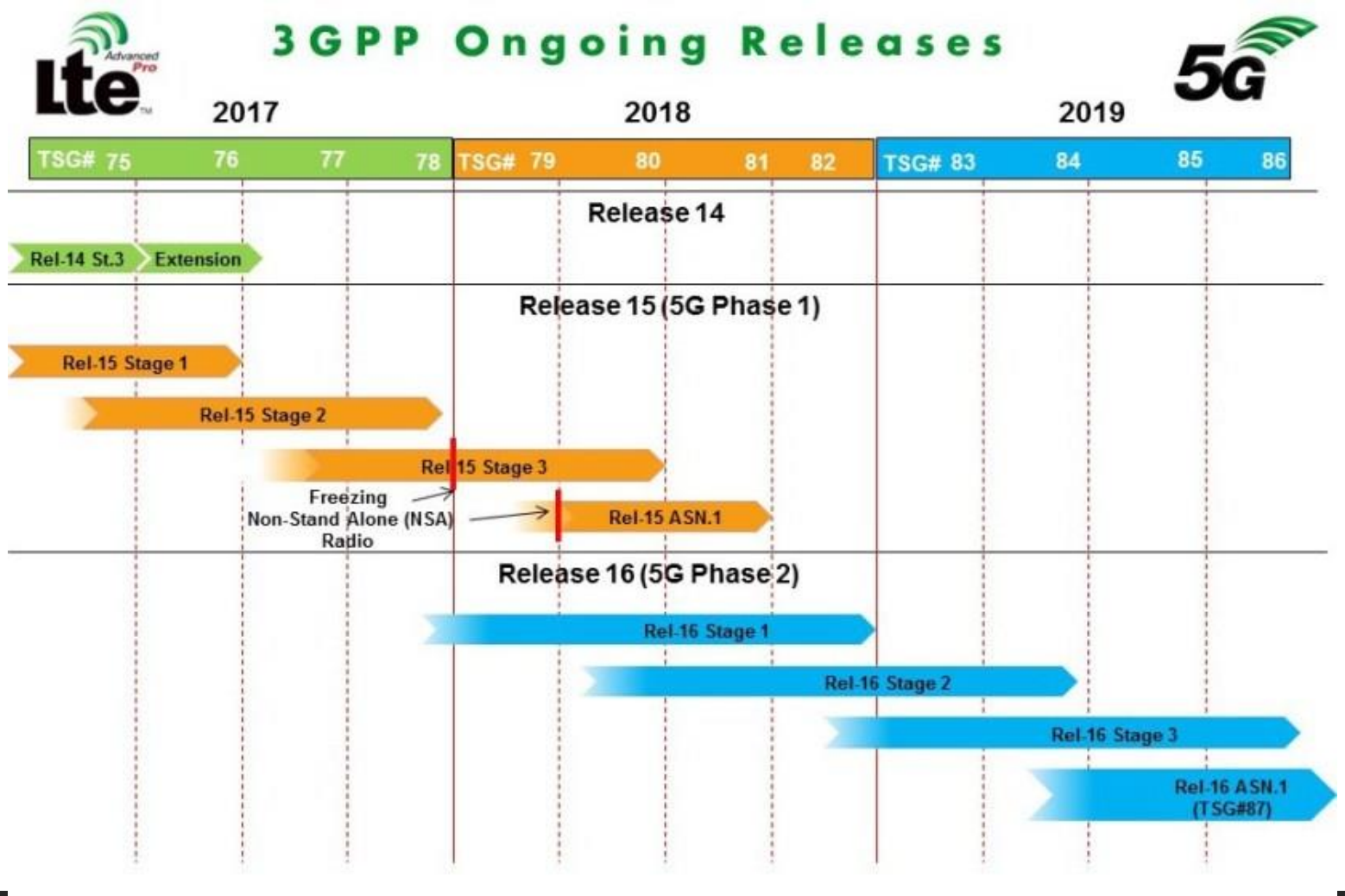
(2) Compatibility with 4G/5G cores (NSA & SA mode)

5G dual-connectivity (non-standalone operation)

Interconnection of evolved 4G eNodeB (ng-eNB) with 5G core

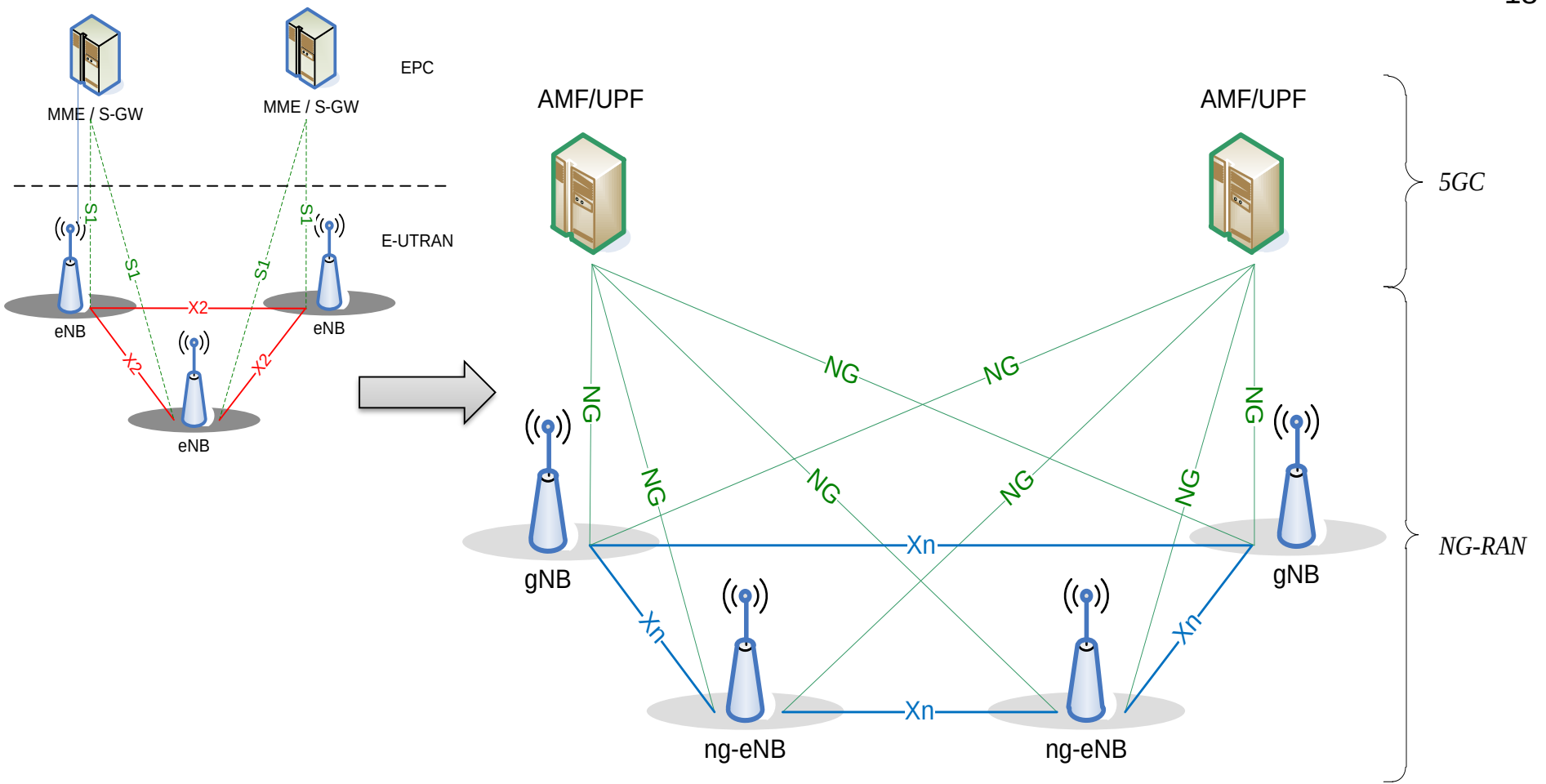
(3) Service-oriented 5G core with cloud-native architecture

5G Main Objectives



3GPP Releases

5G Architecture



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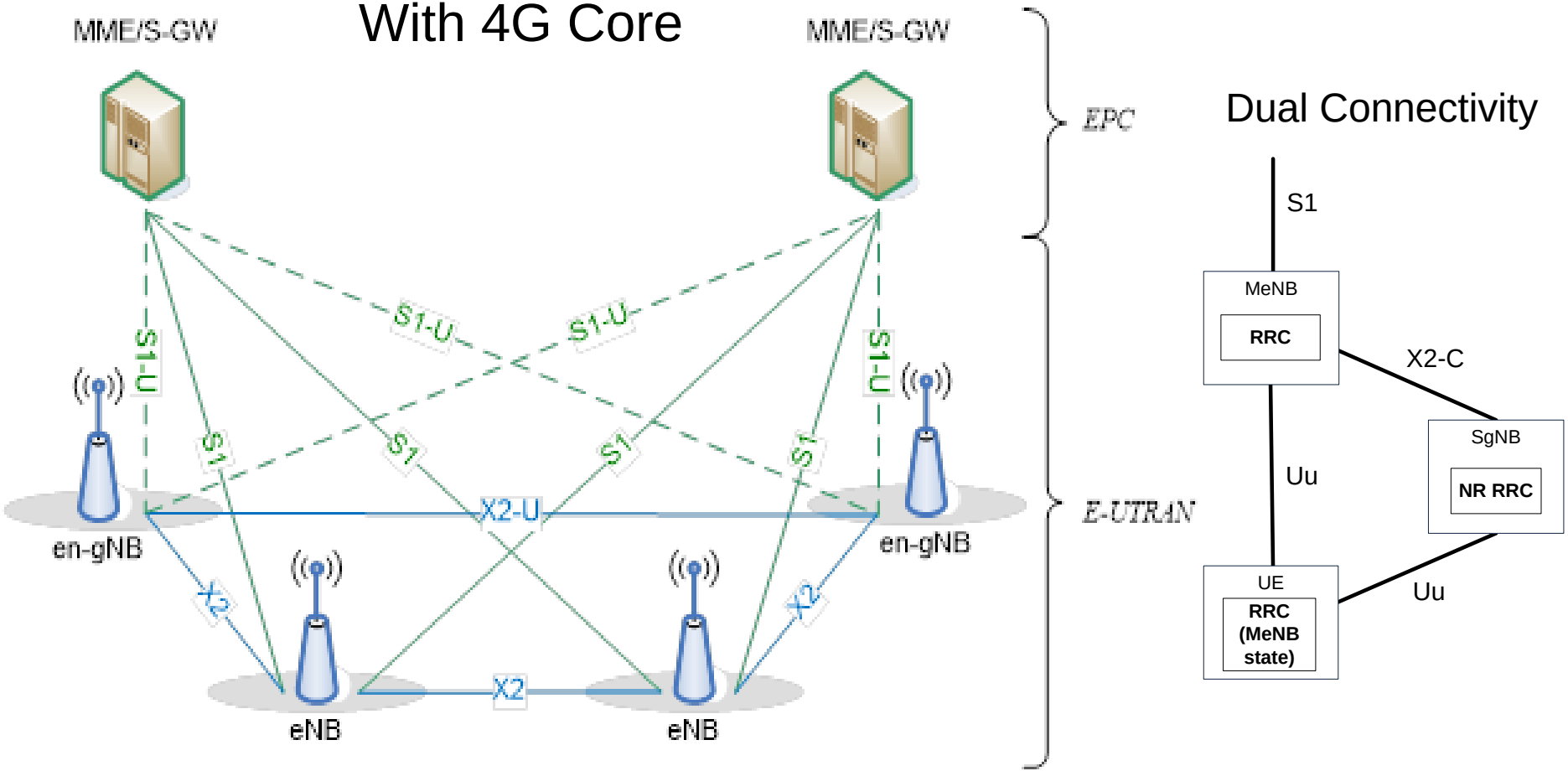

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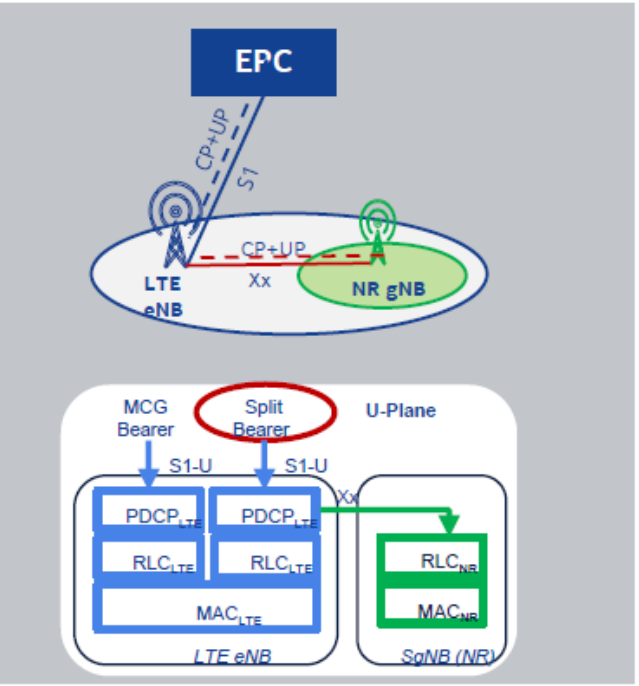
Option 3 (MCG Split Bearer)



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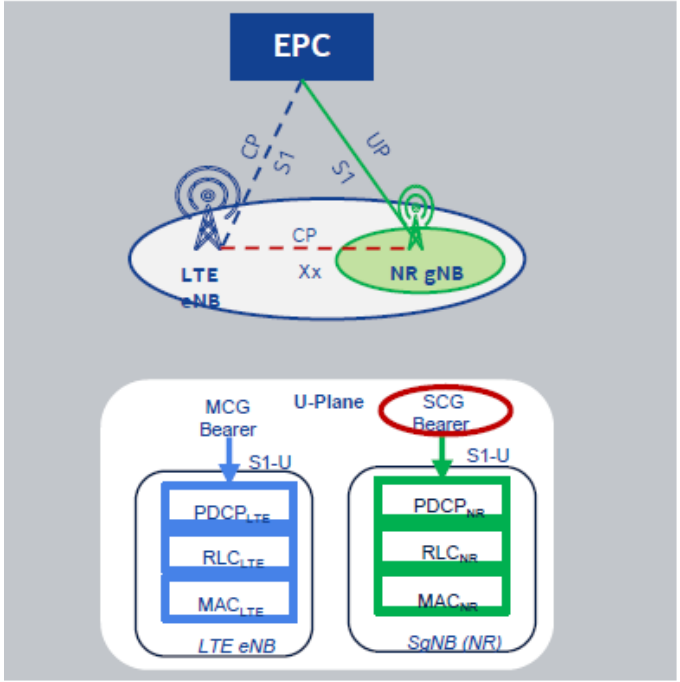
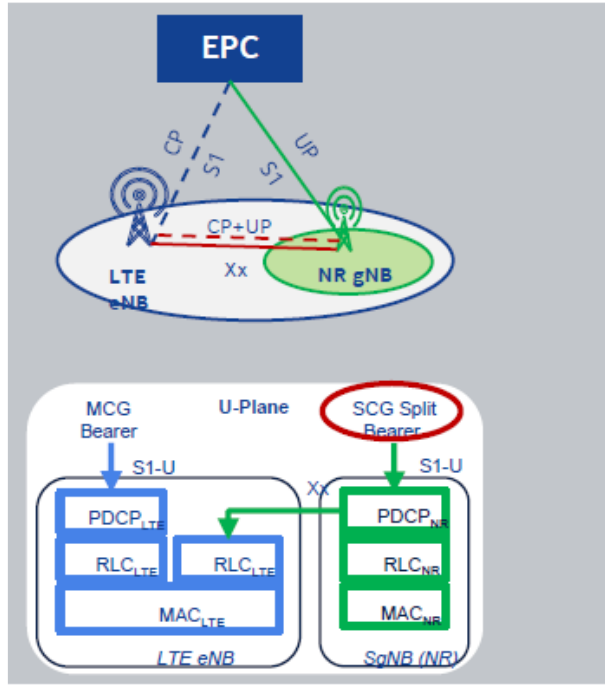


Option 3x (SCG Split Bearer)



4G-5G Dual Connectivity

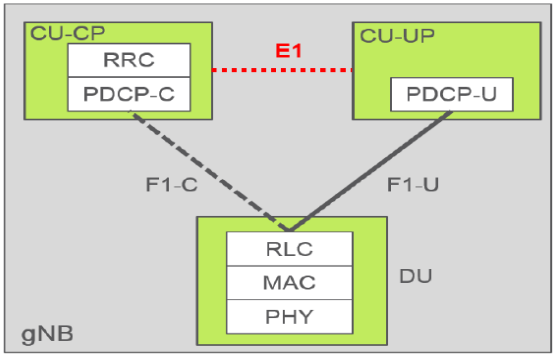
3GPP Re-Architects Mobile Network

3 Tier RAN Node

CU0 →DU[0-n] → RRU[0-m]

Functions Split

CP - UP split

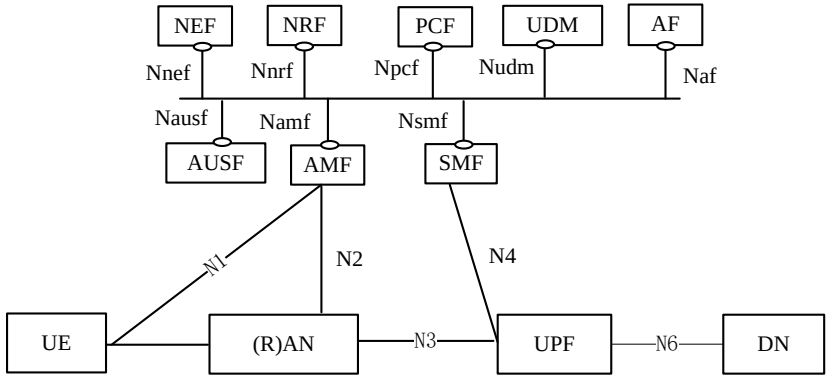


Service-Oriented CN

service catalog and discovery

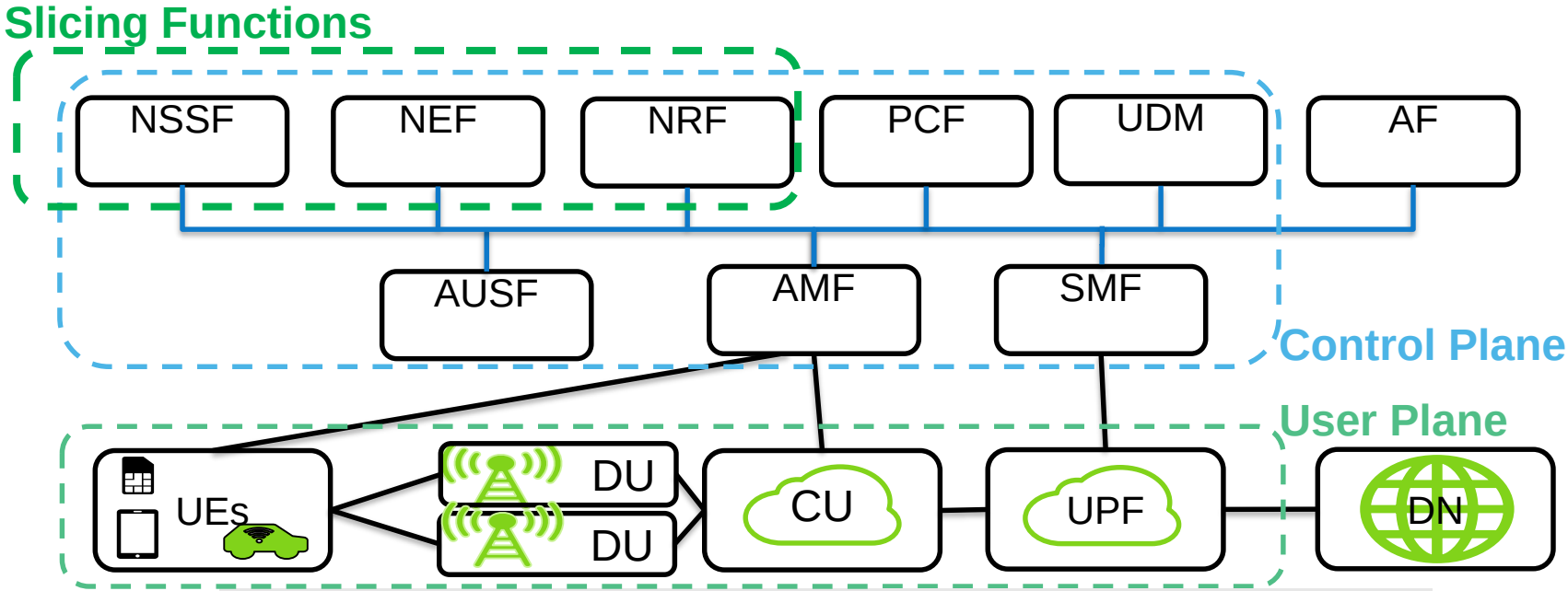
Slice selection function

CP - UP split



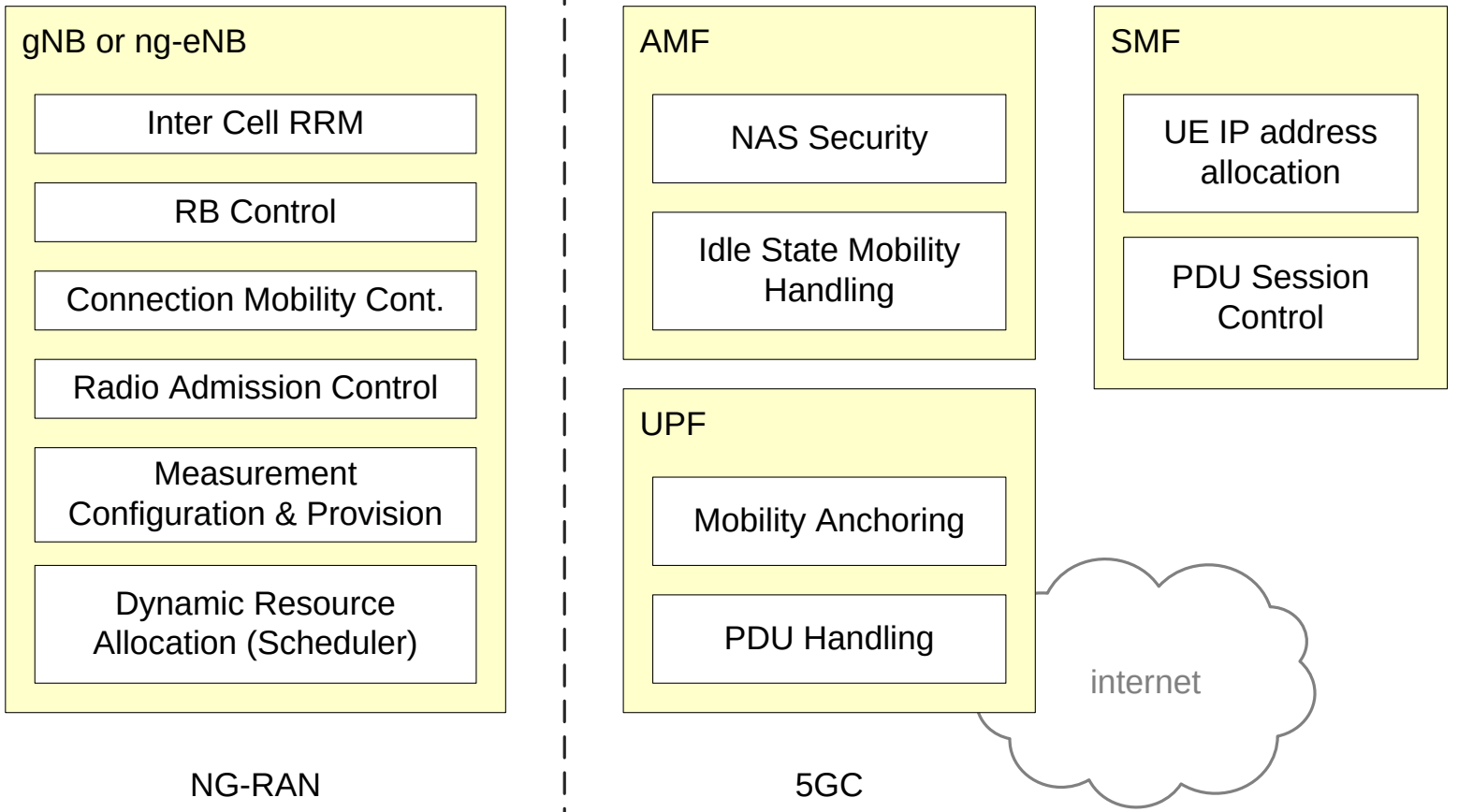
3GPP 5G RAN and CN

3GPP Re-Architects Mobile Network



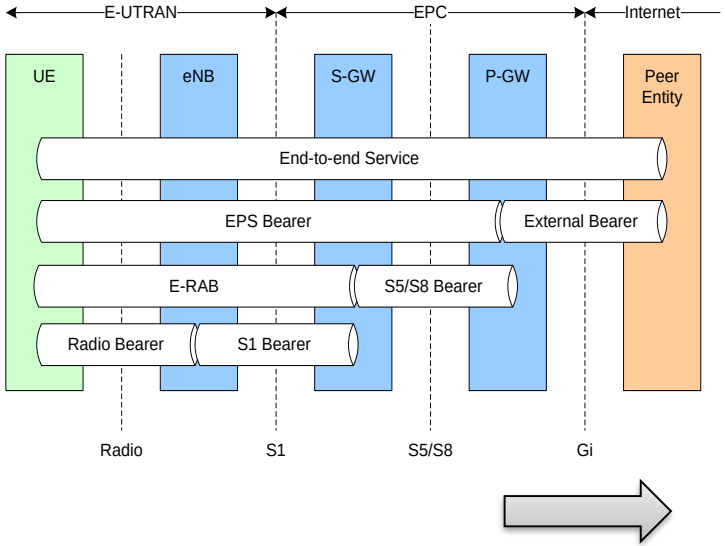
AMF	Access & Mobility Management Function	SMF	Session Management Function
AUSF	Authentication Server Function	UPF	User Plane Function
NRF	**Network Repository Function**	AF	Application Function
UDM	Unified Data Management	PCF	Policy Control Function
NSSF	**Network slice selection function**	NEF	Network Exposure Function

3GPP 5G RAN and CN

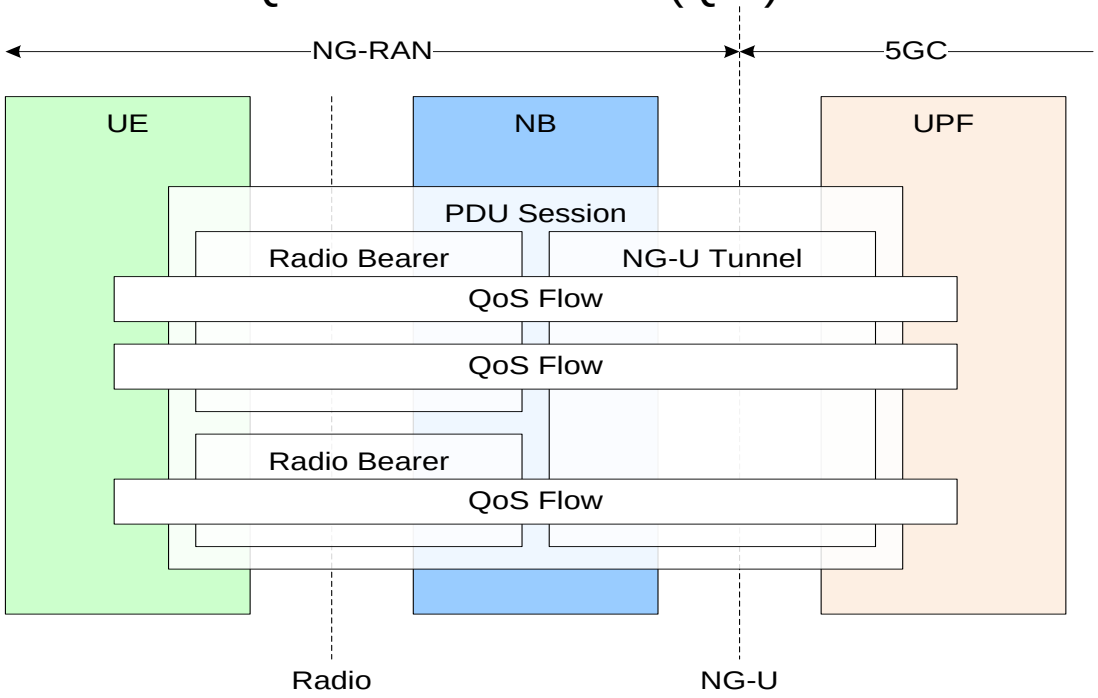


Functional Split : RAN & CN

QoS Class Indicator (QCI)

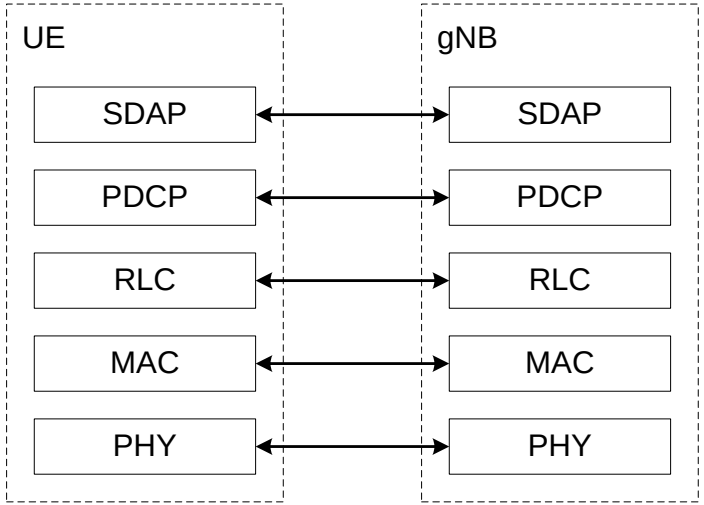


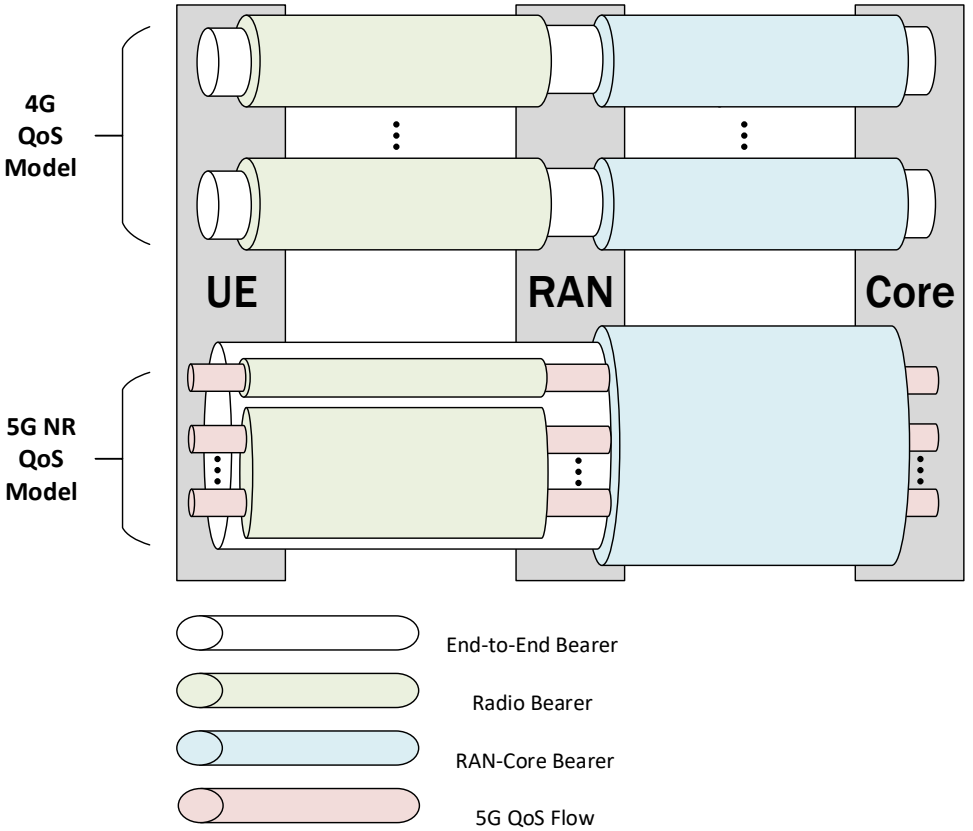
QoS Flow Indicator (QFI)



5G Flow-level QoS FW

Newly introduced SDAP layer
- Reflective QoS
- Explicit Configuration





4G LTE : 1:1 mapping of EPS bearer to DRB
5G NR : One or more QoS flows may be mapped onto one DRB.

5G Flow-level QoS FW

Network Slicing

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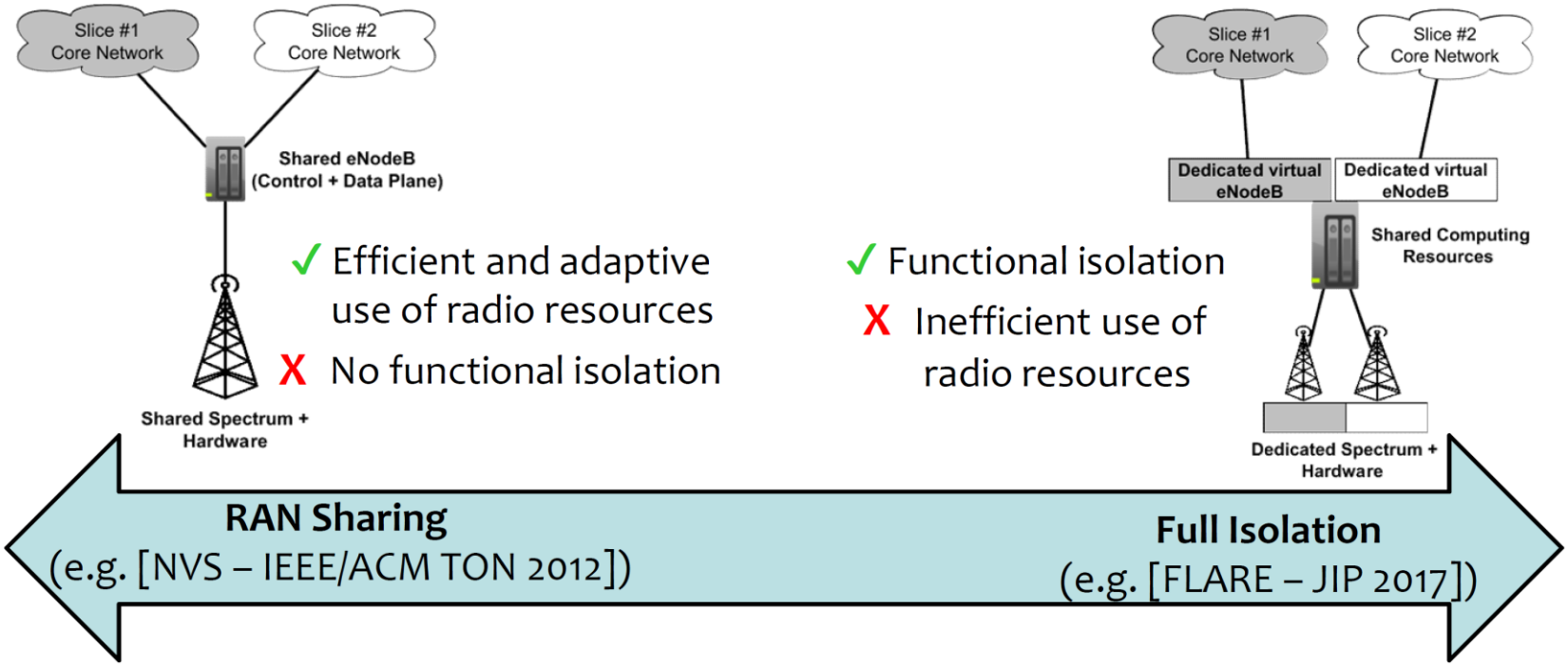
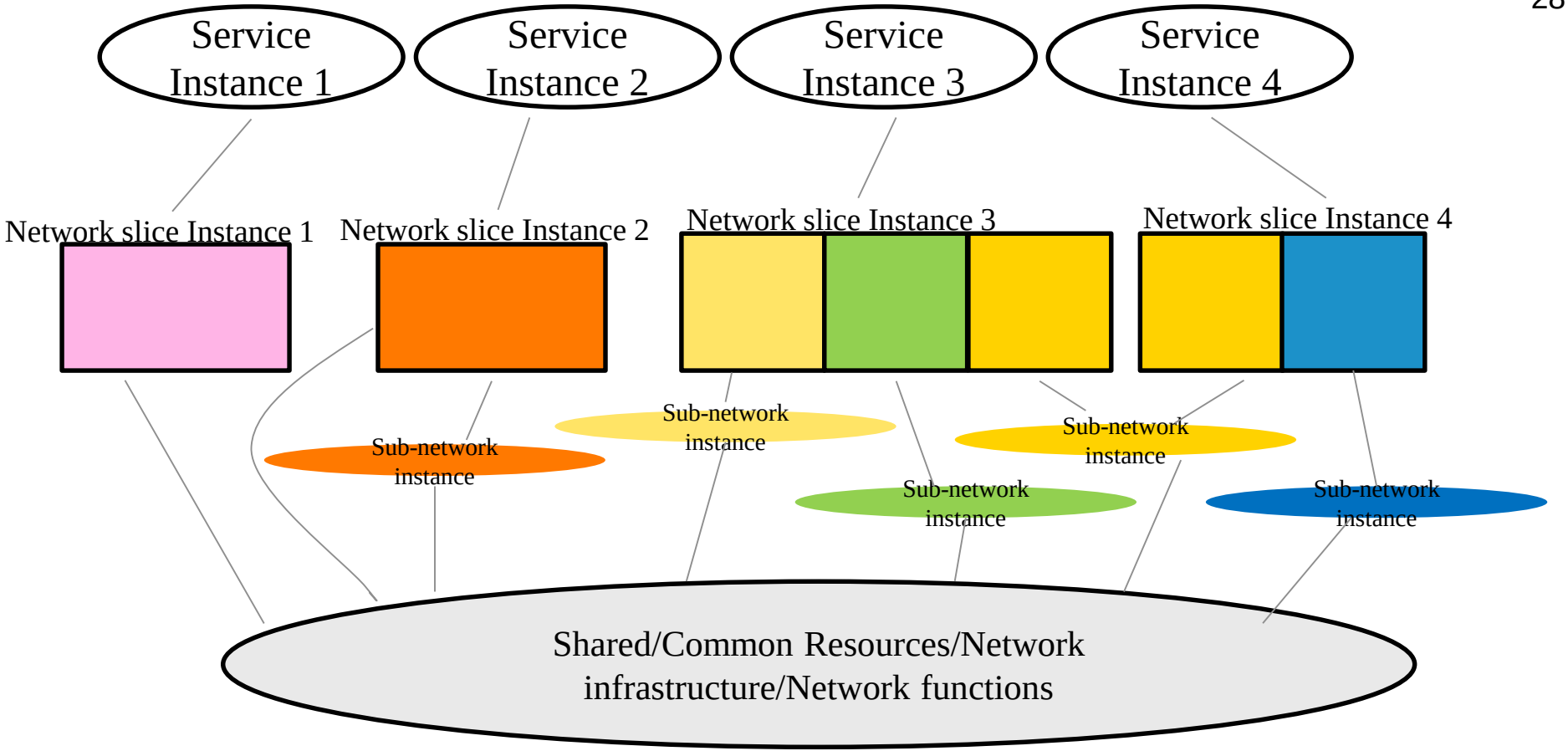


Sharing or Isolation

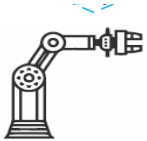


Network Slicing Concept

Network Slicing

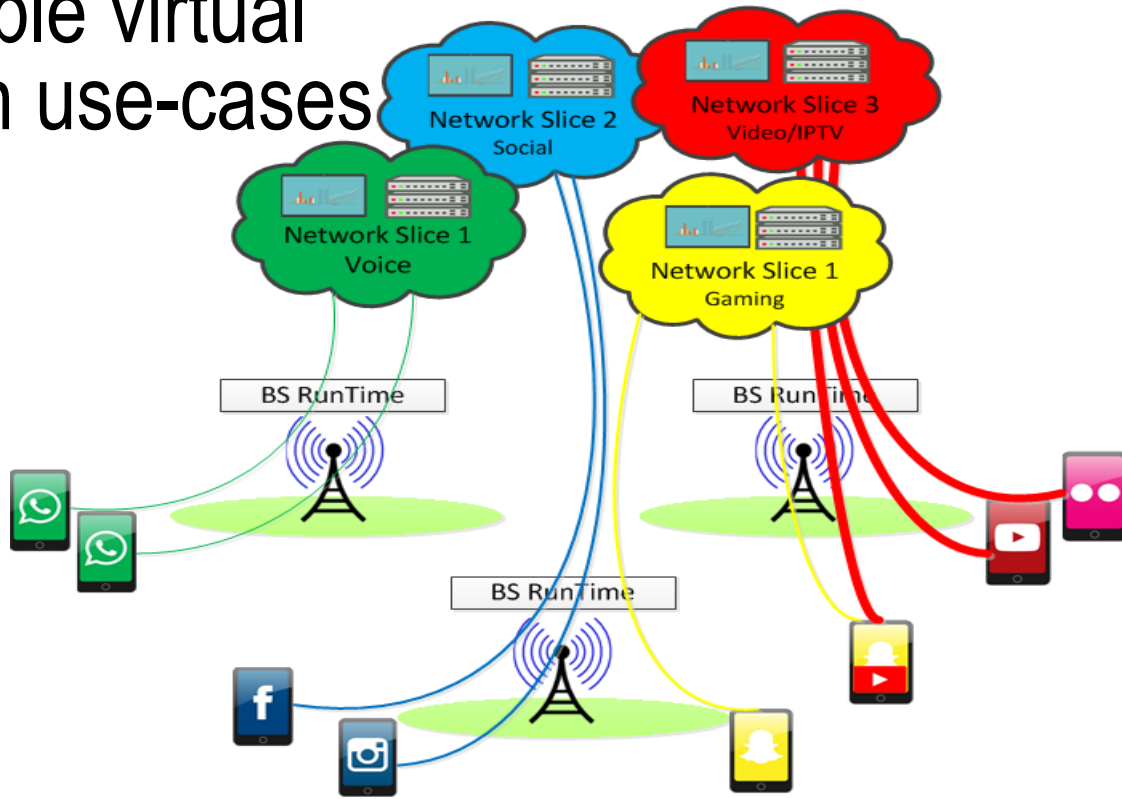
Flexible & Customizable virtual network tailored to each use-cases

xMBB



uRLLC

mMTC



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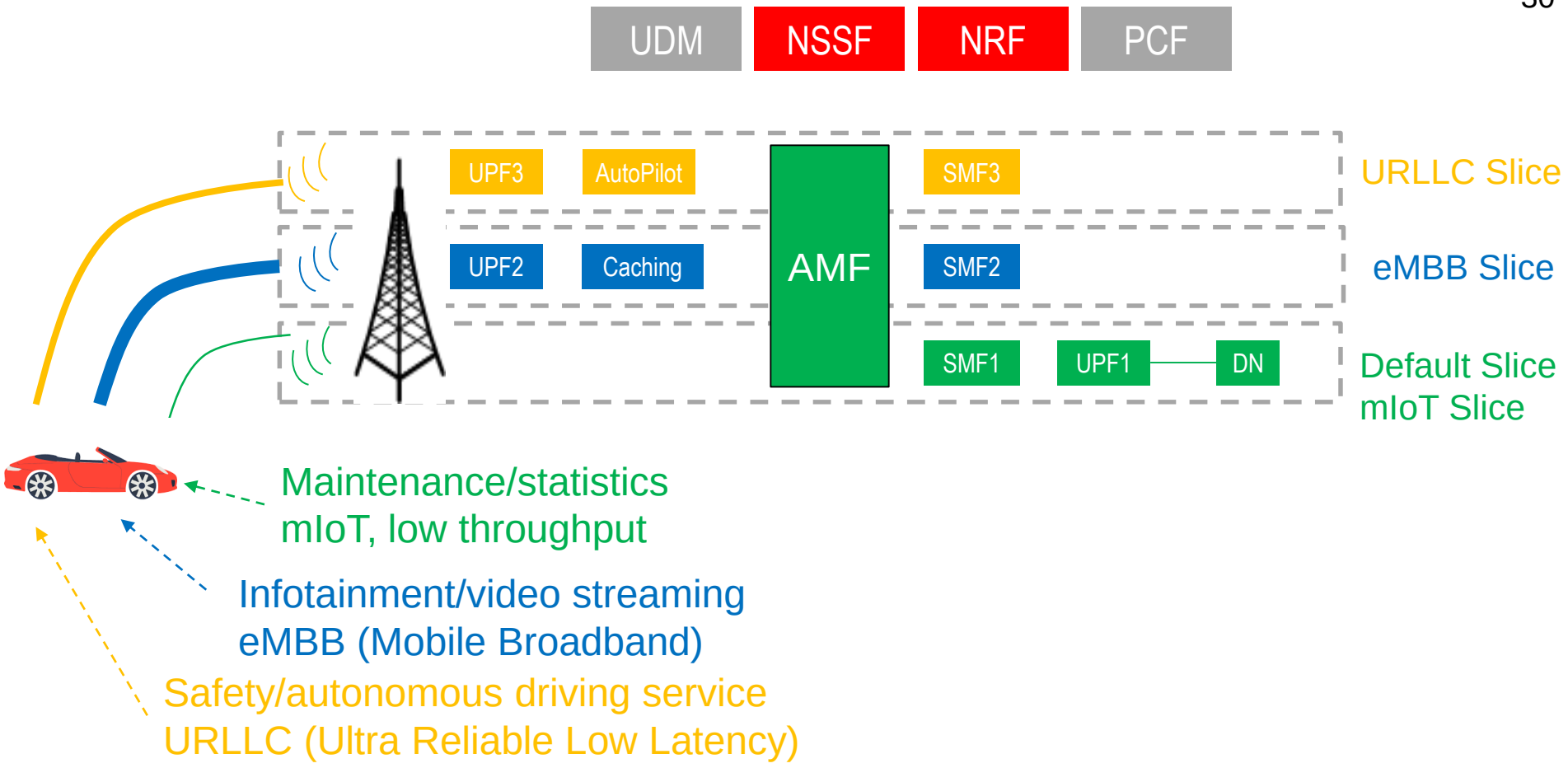
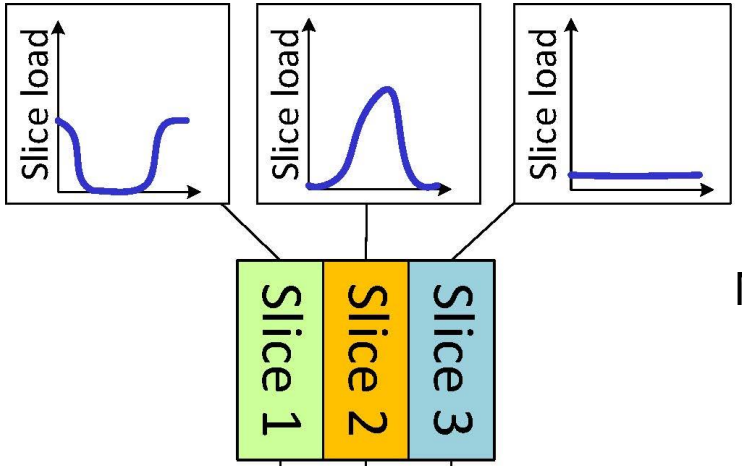


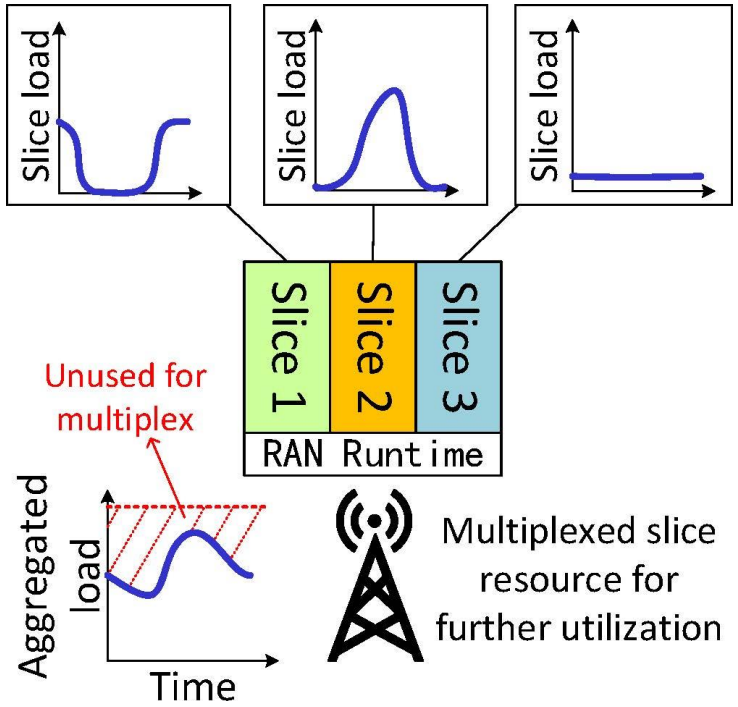
Dedicated or Shared Functions

Multiplexing Gain



Full dedicated slice resource without multiplexing

Network slicing



Multiplexed slice resource for further utilization

Benefit: Efficient use of radio resources

Dedicated or Shared Resources

Conclusion

Fusion of Computing, Information and Cellular technologies

(a) 5G and beyond is not only New Radio and verticals, it is also an evolution in General-Purpose computing for wireless networks

(b) More and more software technologies (NFV,SDN,MEC) and Data (mining, analytics) jointly with radio signal processing

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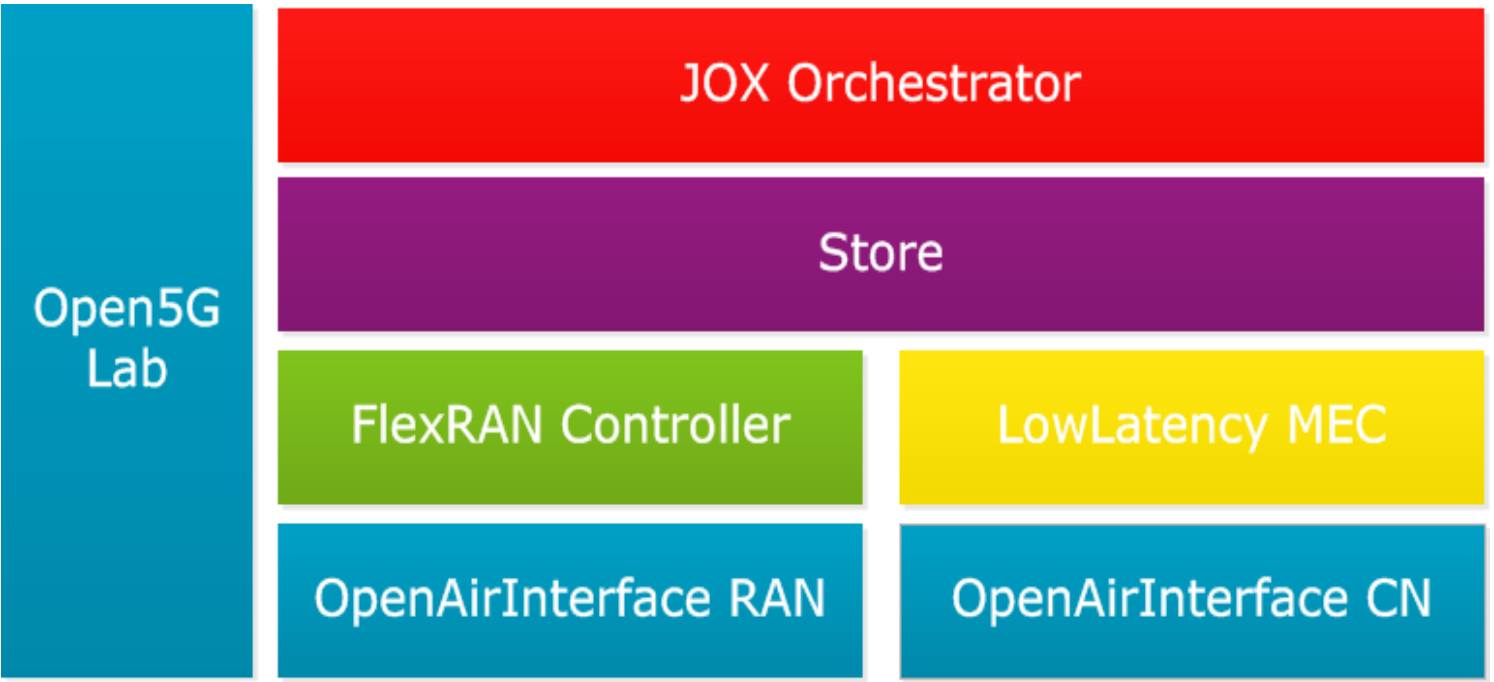
Conclusion

3GPP 5G Network started from Rel. 15 phase 1

Flow-level QoS
Heterogeneous and disaggregated spectrum and RAT
Multi-level Network Slicing
Cloud Native Architecture
Open Interfaces and Edge computing

Conclusion

OpenSource tools : OAI and M5G Ecosystem



MOSAIC 5G

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OPEN AIR INTERFACE

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Conclusion

5G System:

TS23.501 - System Architecture for the 5G System

TS23.502 - Procedures for 5G System

TS29.500 - 5G System, Technical Realization of Service Based Architecture

TS29.501 - 5G System, Principles and Guidelines for Services Definition

TS 33.501: "Security Architecture and Procedures for 5G System".

5GC components

AMF: - TS29.518 - Access and Mobility Management Services

NRF: TS29.510 - Network Function Repository Services

SMF: TS29.502 - Session Management Services, TS29.508 - Session Management Event Exposure Service

UDM: TS29.503 - Unified Data Management Services

AUSF: TS29.509 - Authentication Server Services, PCF: TS29.507 - Access and Mobility Policy Control Service, TS29.512 - Session Management Policy Control Service, TS29.571 - Common Data Types for Service Based Interfaces

Others:

TS 24.501: Non-Access-Stratum (NAS) protocol for 5G System (5GS)

TS 38.413: NG-RAN; NG Application Protocol (NGAP)

5G CN Specs.

RAN:

3GPP TS 38.401: "NG-RAN; Architecture description".
3GPP TS 37.340: "NR; Multi-connectivity; Overall description; Stage-2".
3GPP TS 38.321: "NR; Medium Access Control (MAC) protocol specification".
3GPP TS 38.322: "NR; Radio Link Control (RLC) protocol specification".
3GPP TS 38.323: "NR; Packet Data Convergence Protocol (PDCP) specification".
3GPP TS 37.324: "NR; Service Data Protocol (SDAP) specification".
3GPP TS 38.331: "NR; Radio Resource Control (RRC); Protocol specification".
3GPP TS 38.133: "NR; Requirements for support of radio resource management".

UE:

3GPP TS 38.304: "NR; User Equipment (UE) procedures in idle mode".
3GPP TS 38.306: "NR; User Equipment (UE) radio access capabilities".

5G RAN Specs.


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