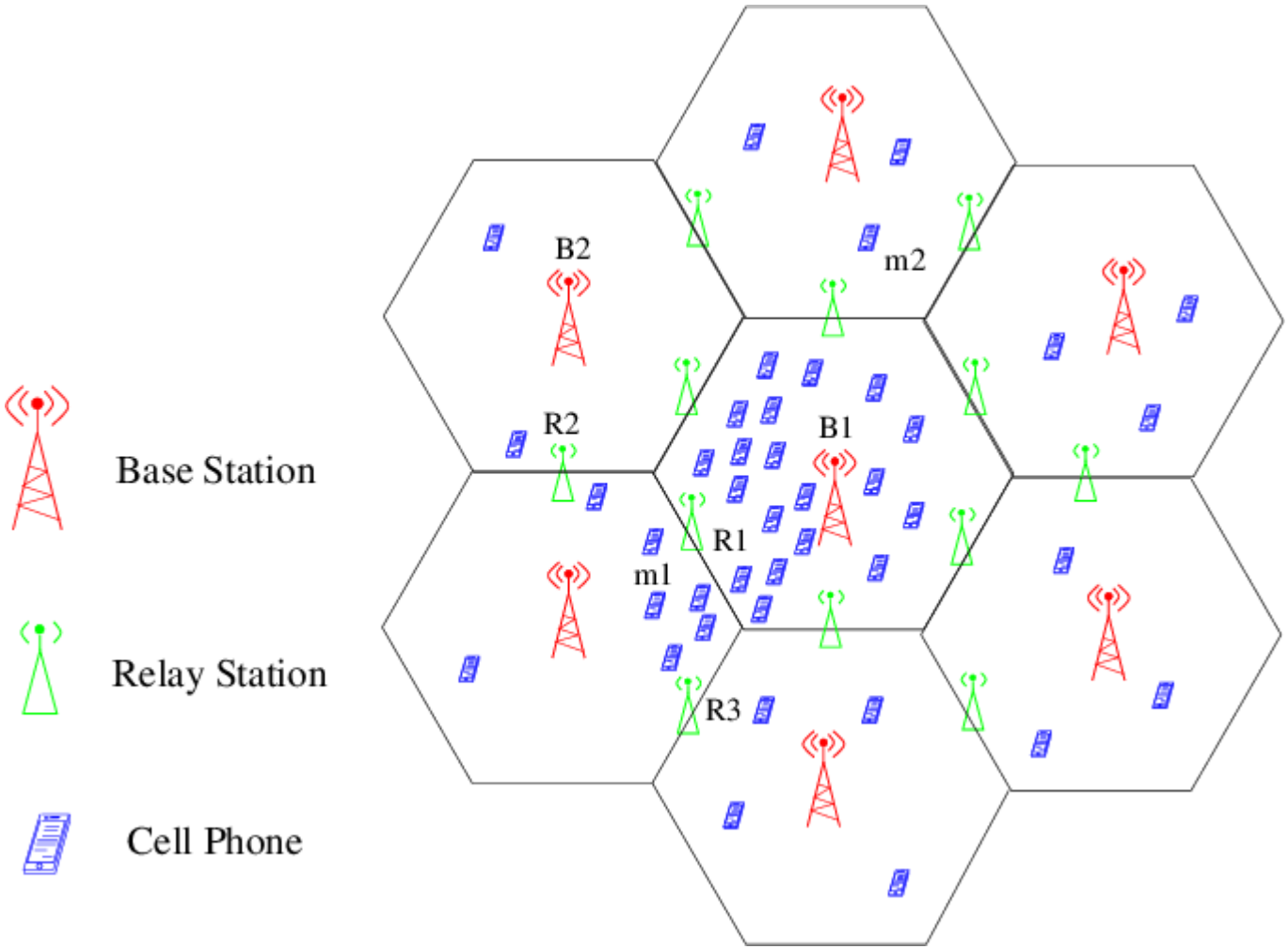
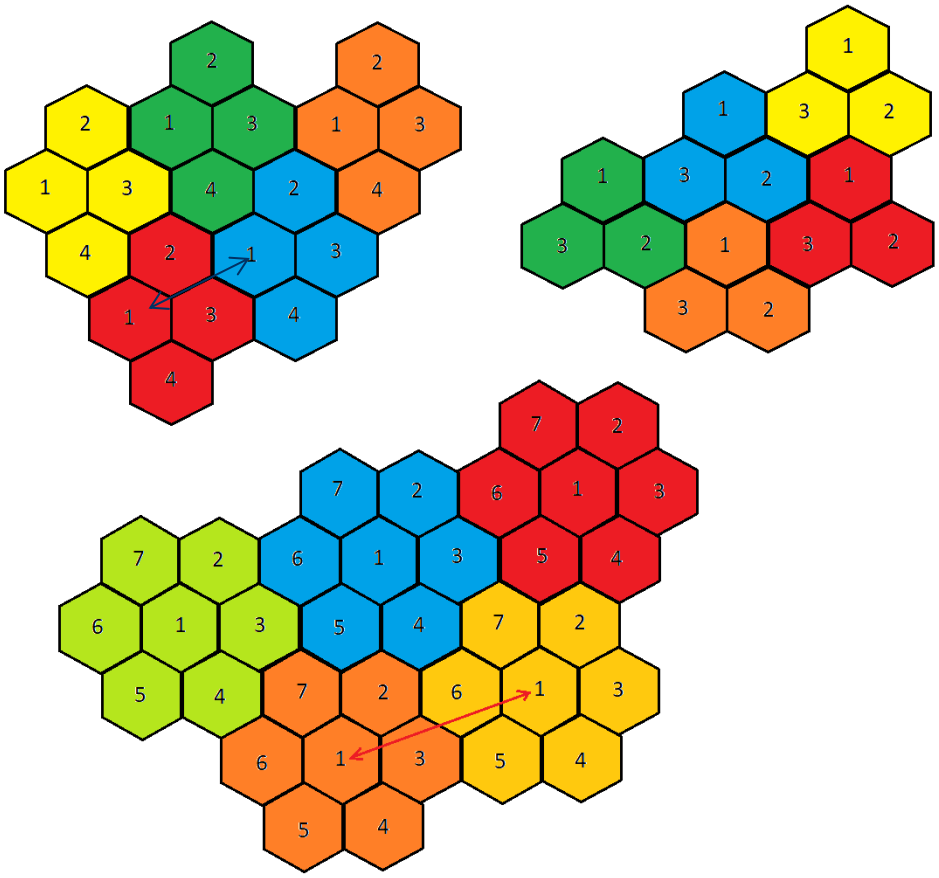
Mobile and Wireless Networks

Cellular Structure

Cellular Network Organization



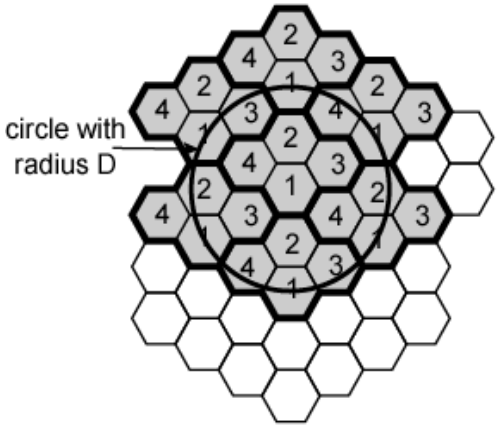
Frequency Reuse



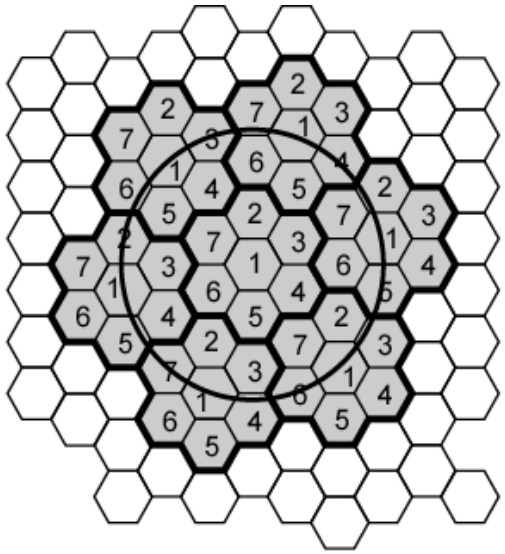
Frequency Reuse

- Power of base transceiver controlled
  - Allow communications within cell on given frequency
  - Limit escaping power to adjacent cells
  - Allow re-use of frequencies in nearby cells
  - Use same frequency for multiple conversations
- *E.g.*
  - *N* cells all using same number of frequencies
  - *K* total number of frequencies used in systems
  - Each cell has *K/N* frequencies
  - *K*=395, *N*=7 giving 57 frequencies per cell on average

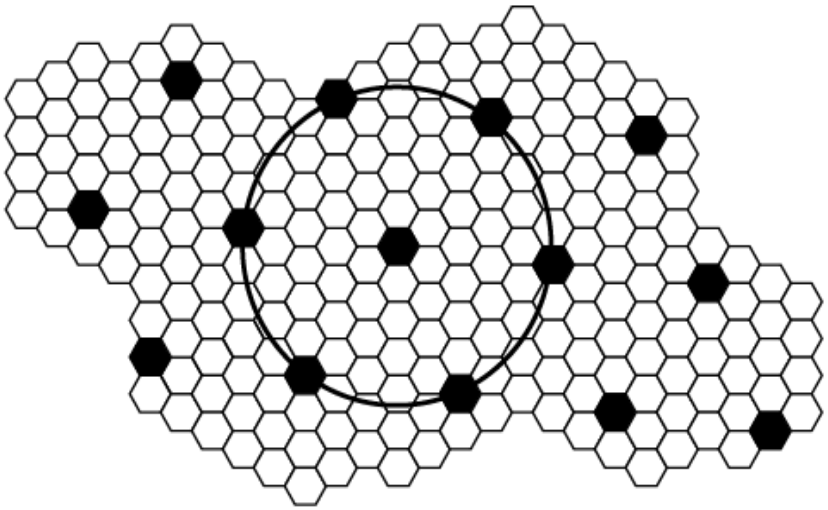
Frequency Reuse Patterns



(a) Frequency reuse pattern for N = 4

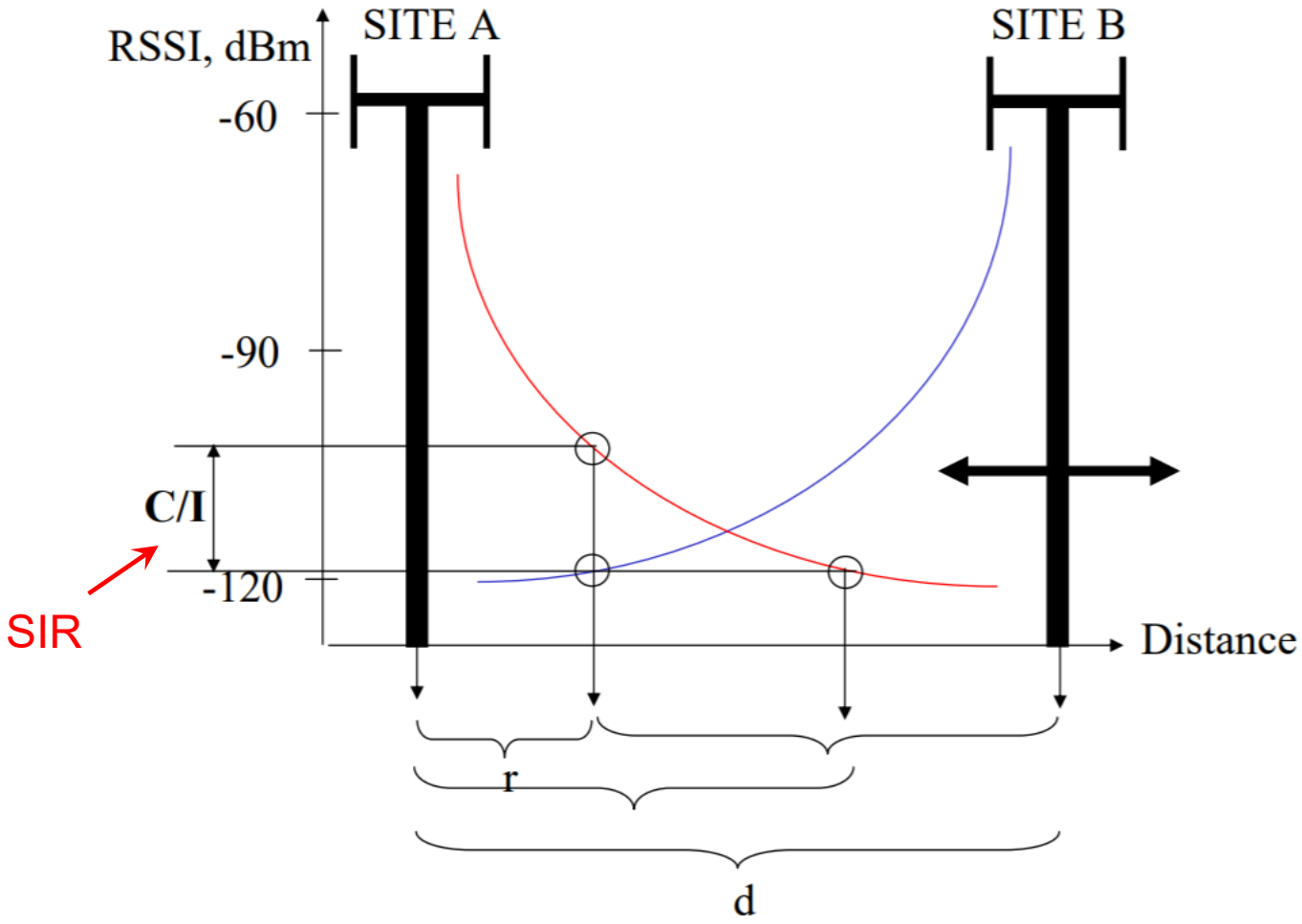


(b) Frequency reuse pattern for N = 7

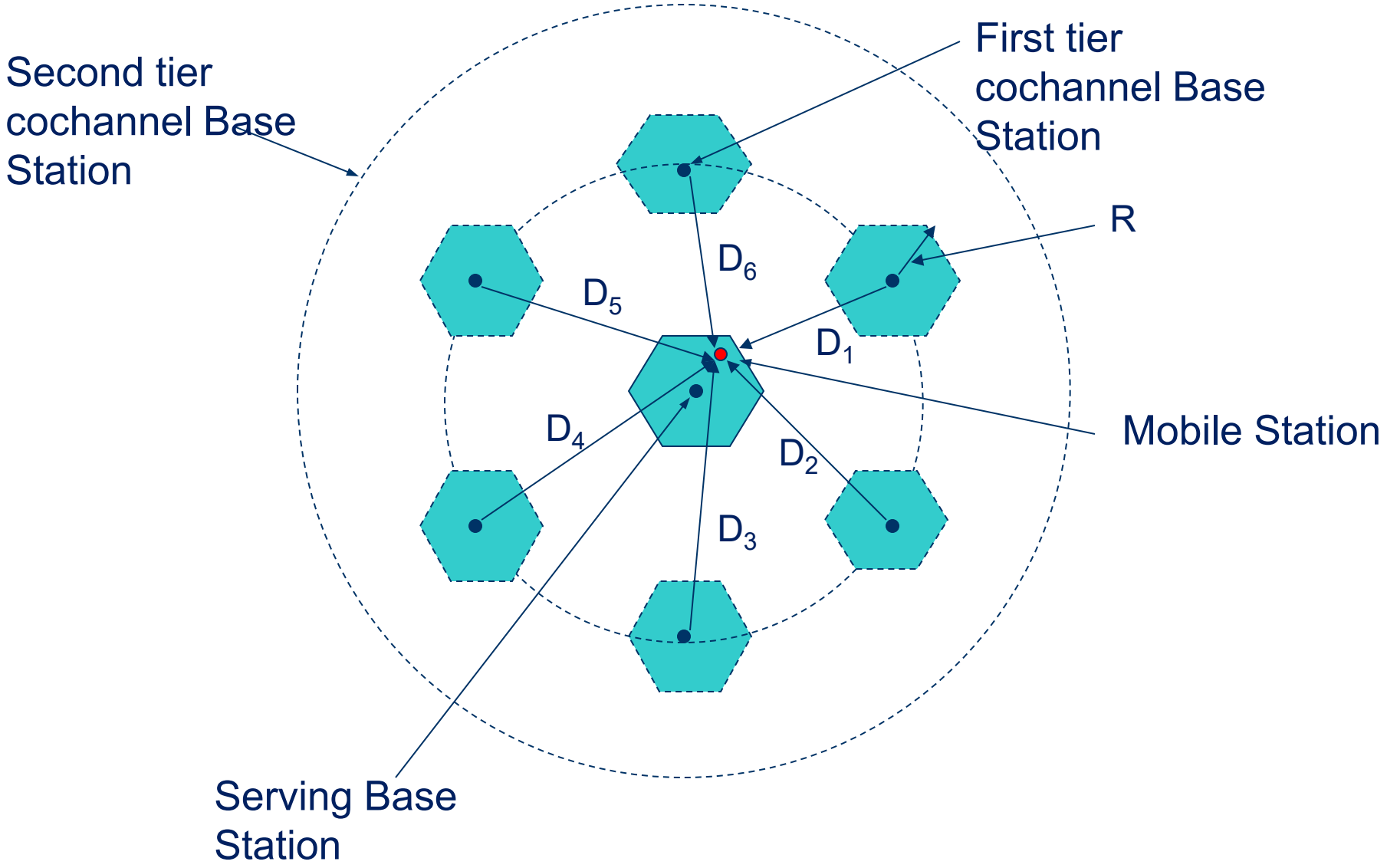


(c) Black cells indicate a frequency reuse for N = 19

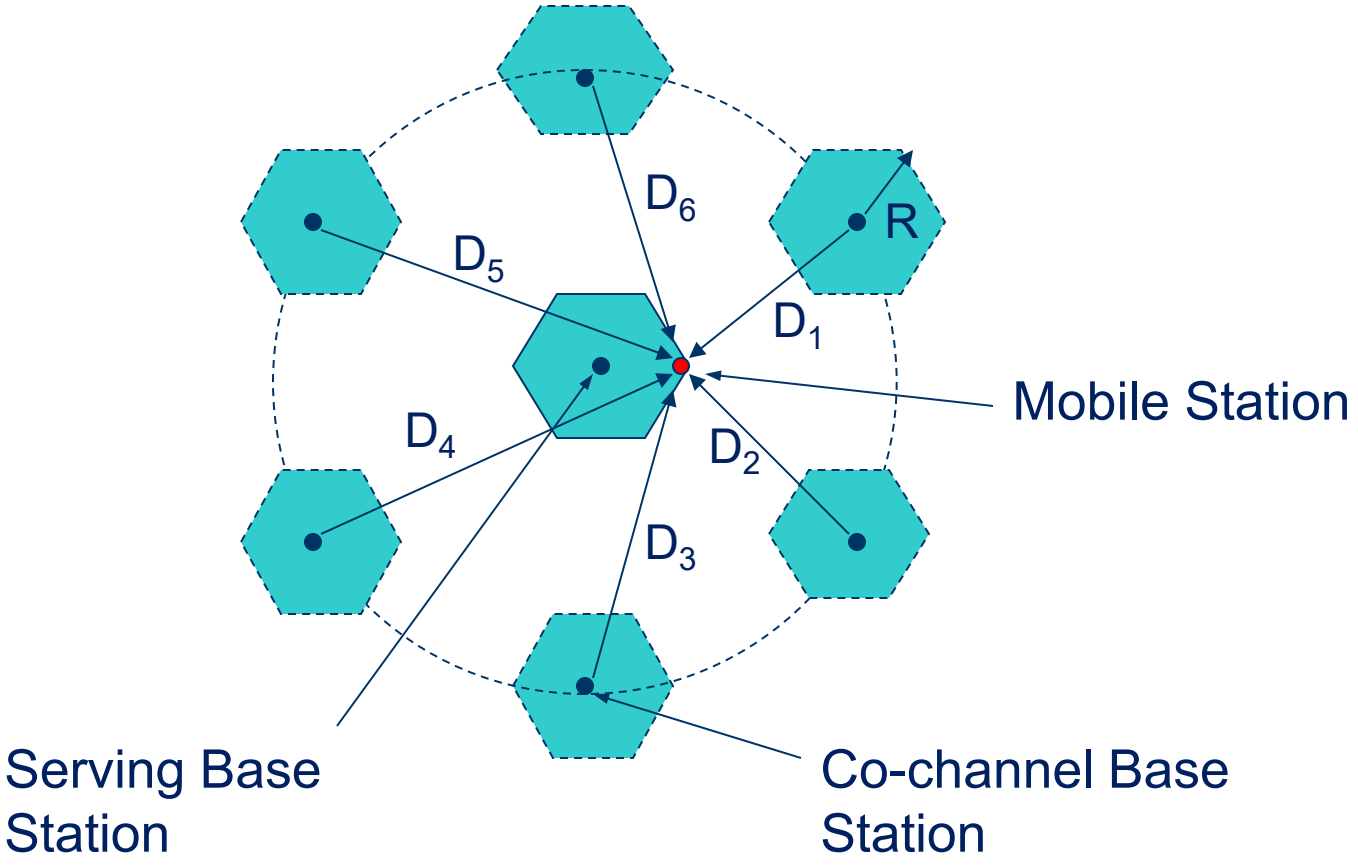
Frequency Reuse Distance



Cochannel Interference

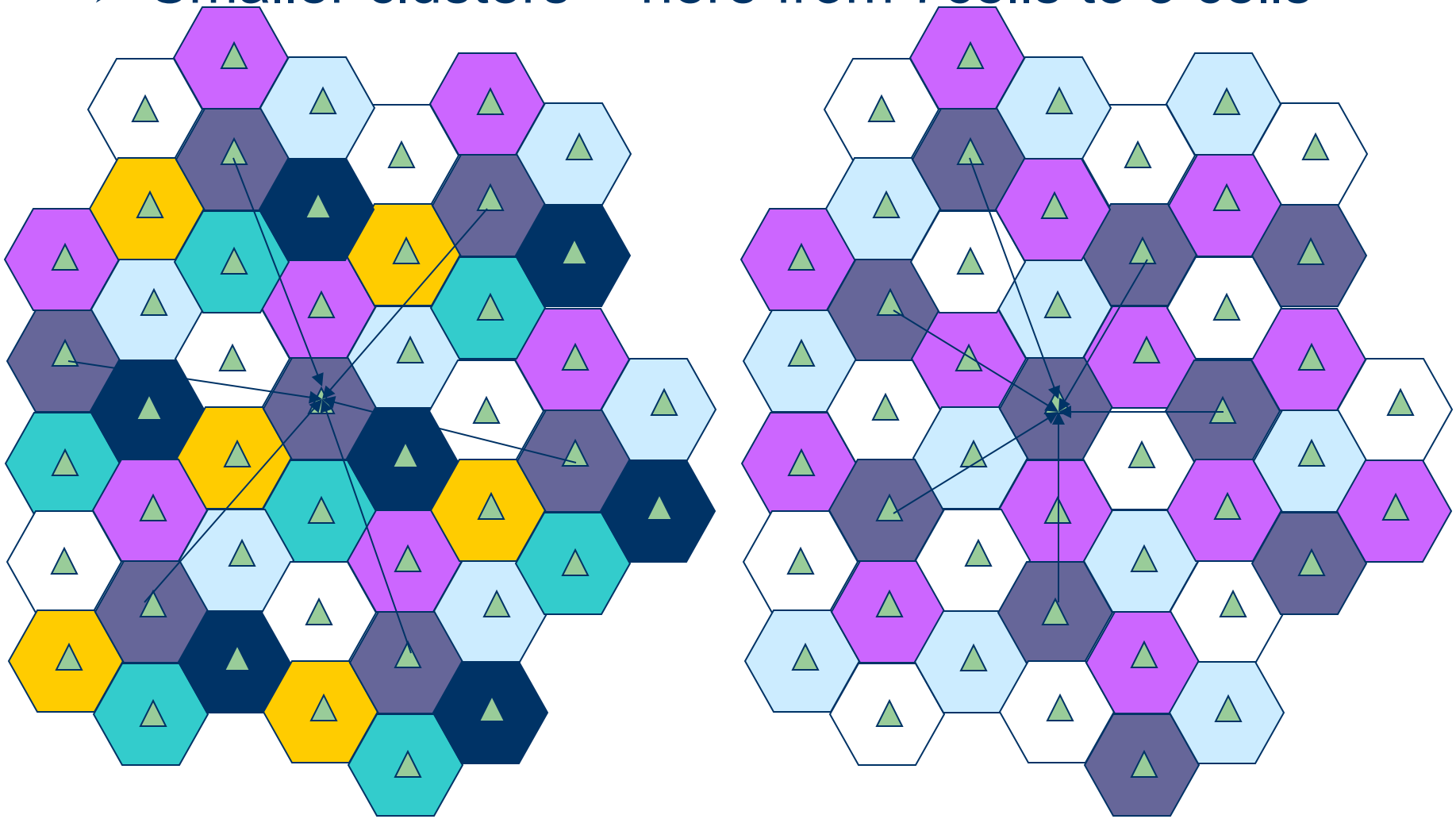


Worst Case of Cochannel Interference



Increasing Capacity (1)

- Smaller clusters - here from 7cells to 3 cells



Interfering cells are closer when cluster size is smaller.

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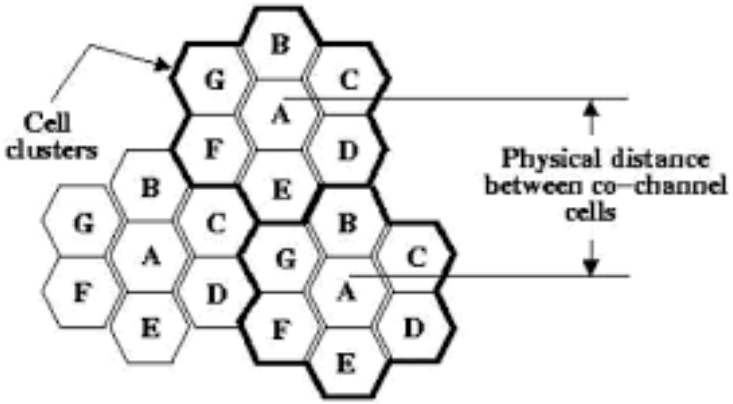
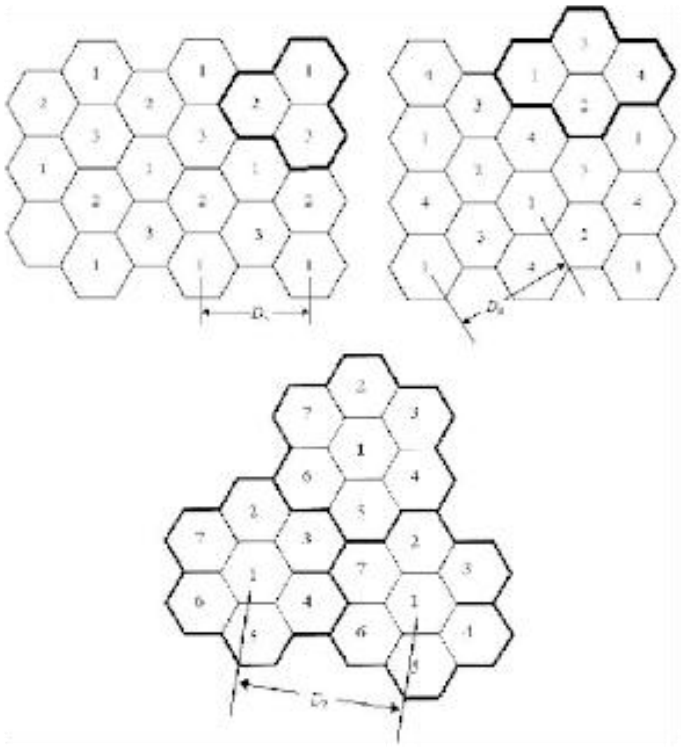
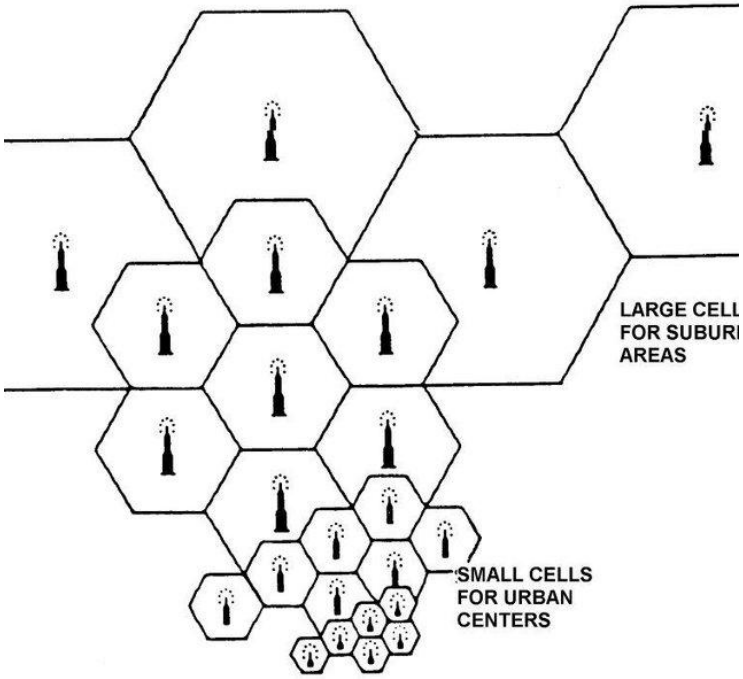




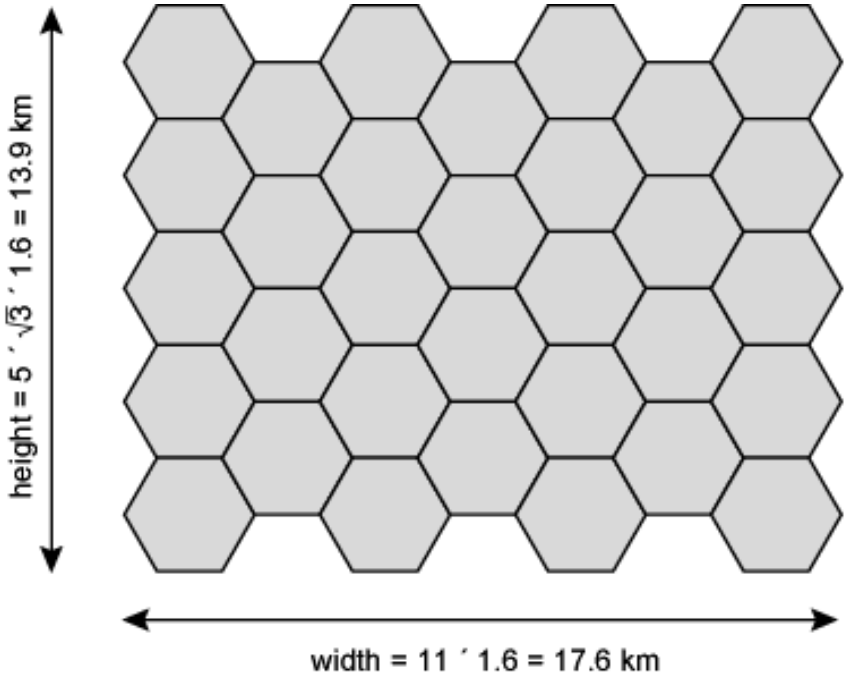
Increasing Capacity (2)

- Cell Splitting
  - Cells of high usage can be split into smaller cells
  - Leads to increased capacity but more frequent handovers

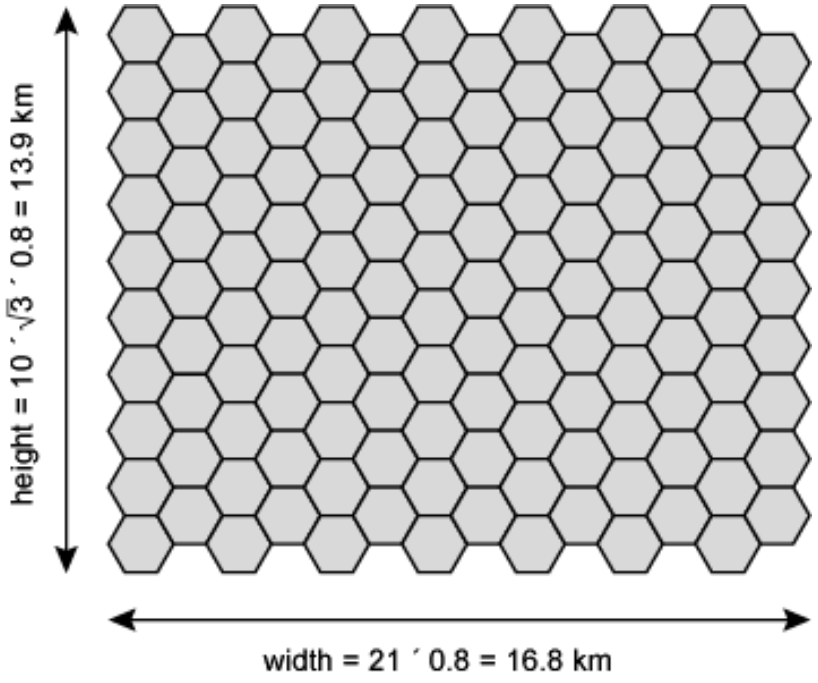


Increasing Capacity (3)

- Smaller cells



(a) Cell radius = 1.6 km



(b) Cell radius = 0.8 km

Increasing Capacity (4)

- Cell Sectoring
  - Cell divided into wedge shaped sectors
  - 3 – 6 sectors per cell
  - Each with own channel set
    - Subsets of cell's channels
  - Directional antennas

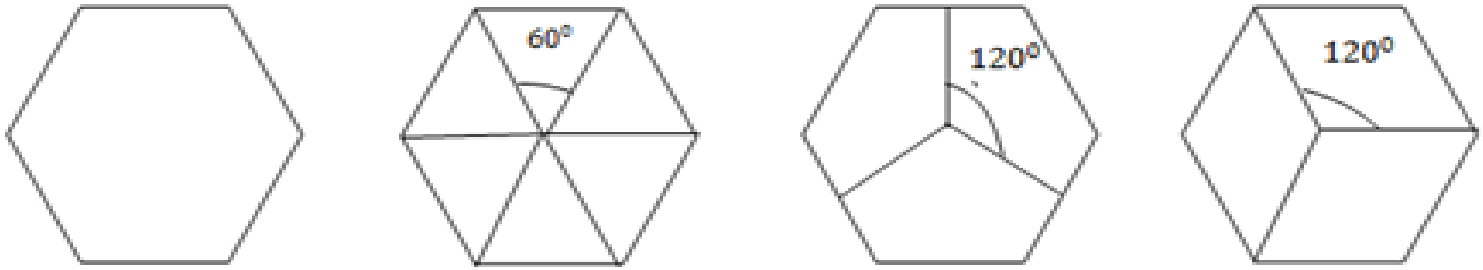
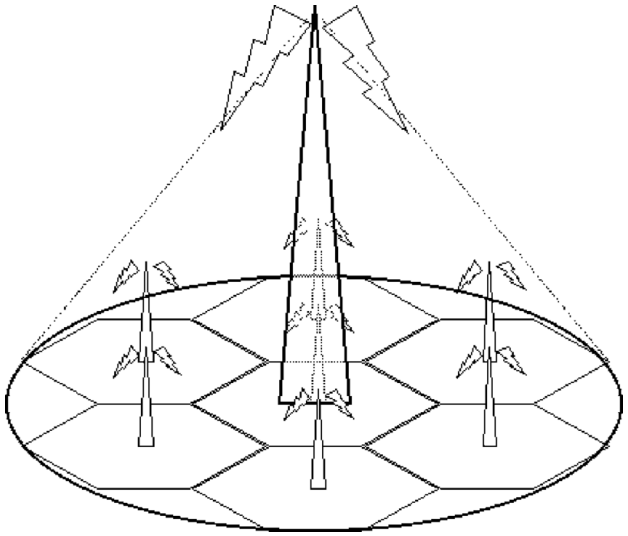


Fig: omni-directional 60^0 sectoring 120^0 sectoring

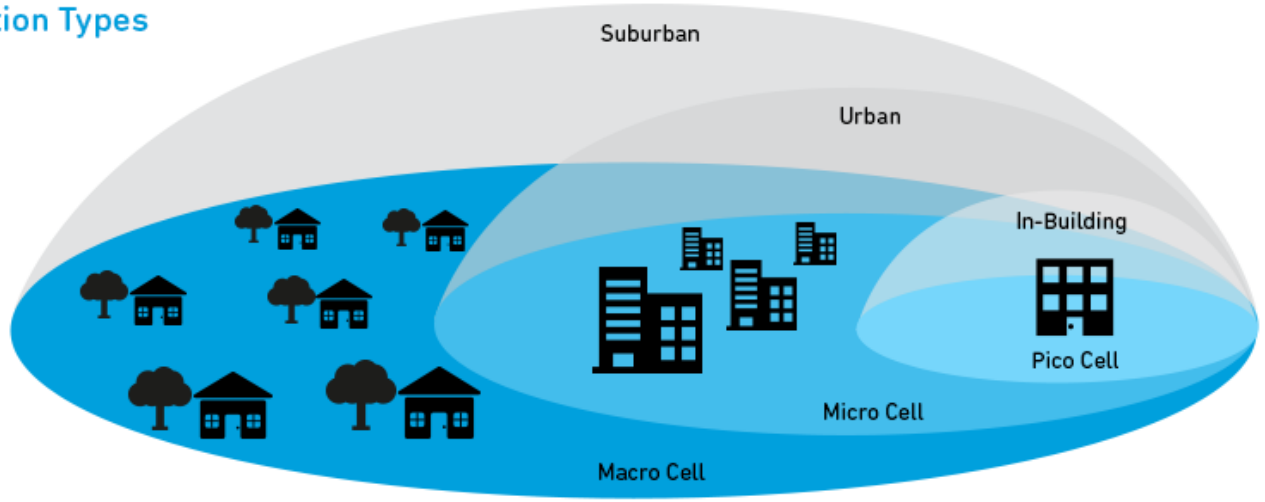
Increasing Capacity (5)

- Microcells
  - Move antennas from tops of hills and large buildings to tops of small buildings and sides of large buildings
    - Even lamp posts
  - Form microcells with reduced power
  - Good for city streets, along roads and inside large buildings



Multi-tier architectures

Base Station Types



Cell Type	Output Power (W)	Cell Radius (km)	Users	Locations
Femtocell	0.001 to 0.25	0.010 to 0.1	1 to 30	Indoor
Pico Cell	0.25 to 1	0.1 to 0.2	30 to 100	Indoor/Outdoor
Micro Cell	1 to 10	0.2 to 2.0	100 to 2000	Indoor/Outdoor
Macro Cell	10 to >50	8 to 30	>2000	Outdoor

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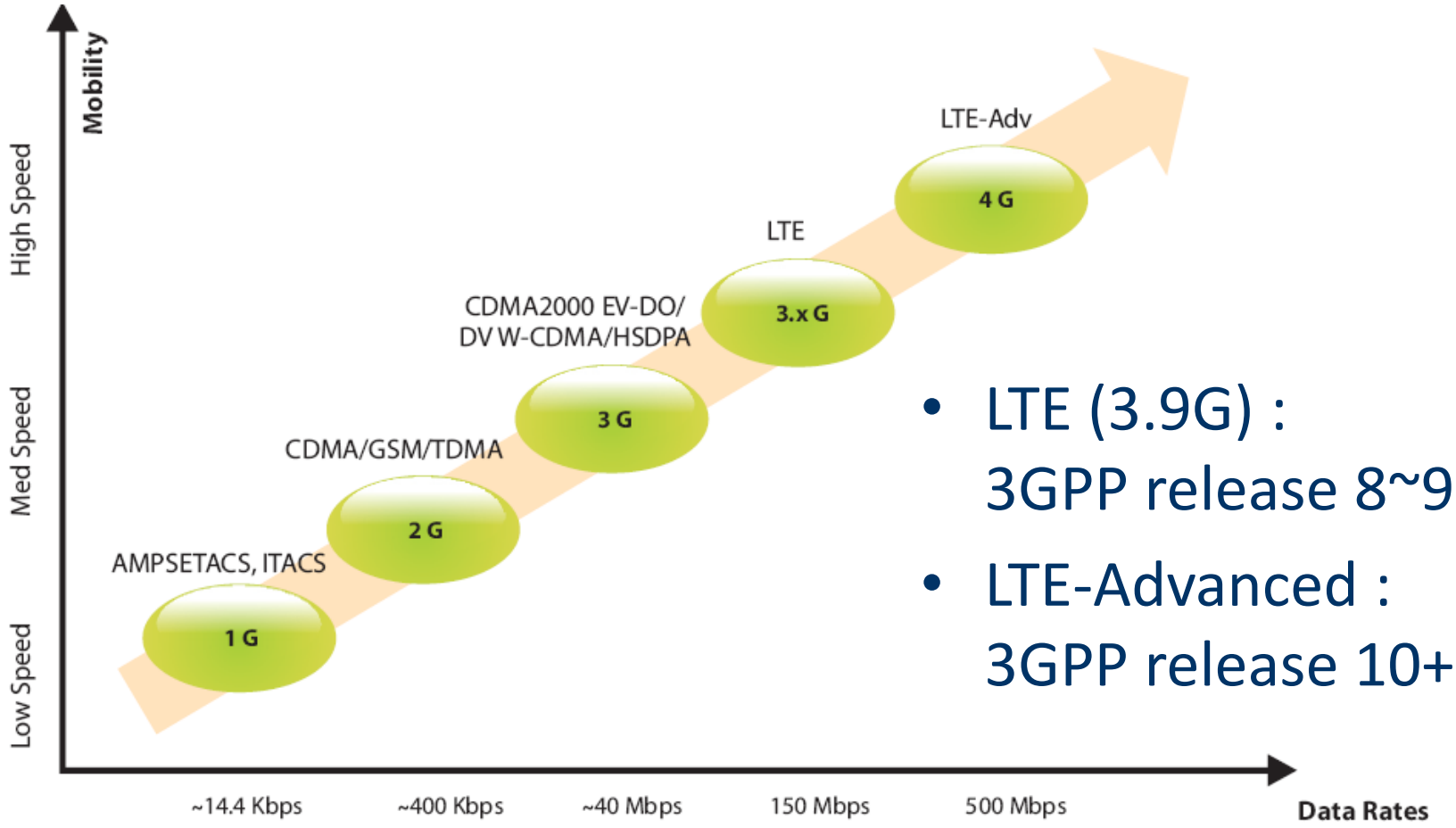
Cellular Network Generations

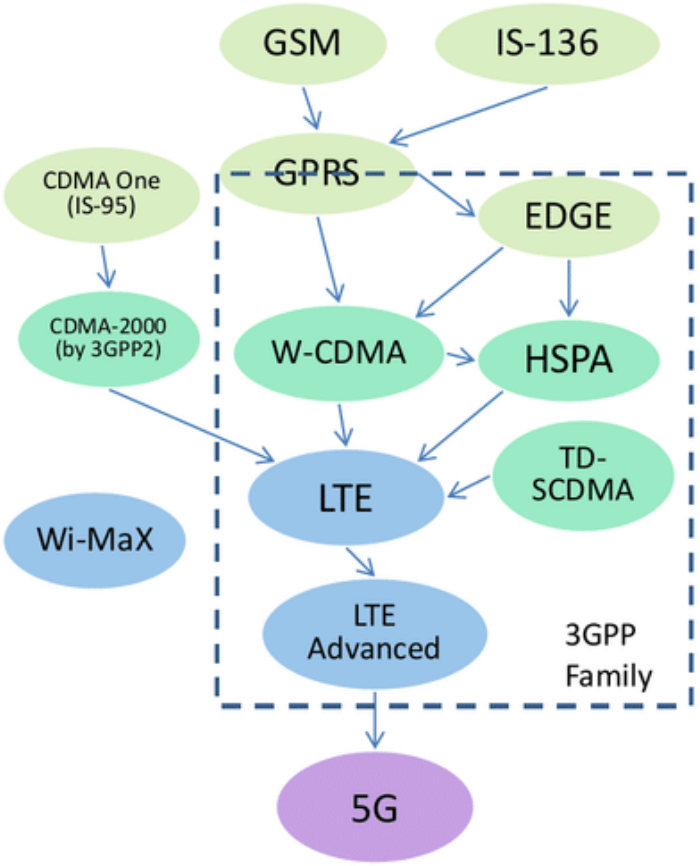
- It is useful to think of cellular Network/telephony in terms of *generations*:
  - 0G: Briefcase-size mobile radio telephones
  - 1G: *Analog* cellular telephony (end ‘70s)
  - 2G: *Digital* cellular telephony (beg ’90’s)
  - 3G: *High-speed* digital cellular telephony (including *video telephony*) (beg ’00)
  - 4G: IP-based “anytime, anywhere” voice, data, and multimedia telephony at *faster* data rates than 3G (beg ’10)
  - 5G: 10-times faster data rates, much more flexible in mobility, Internet of Things (IoT) support (cheap, low energy, massive number of devices) (beg ’20)

Evolution of Radio Access Technologies



- LTE (3.9G) : 3GPP release 8~9
- LTE-Advanced : 3GPP release 10+

Evolution of Cellular Standards



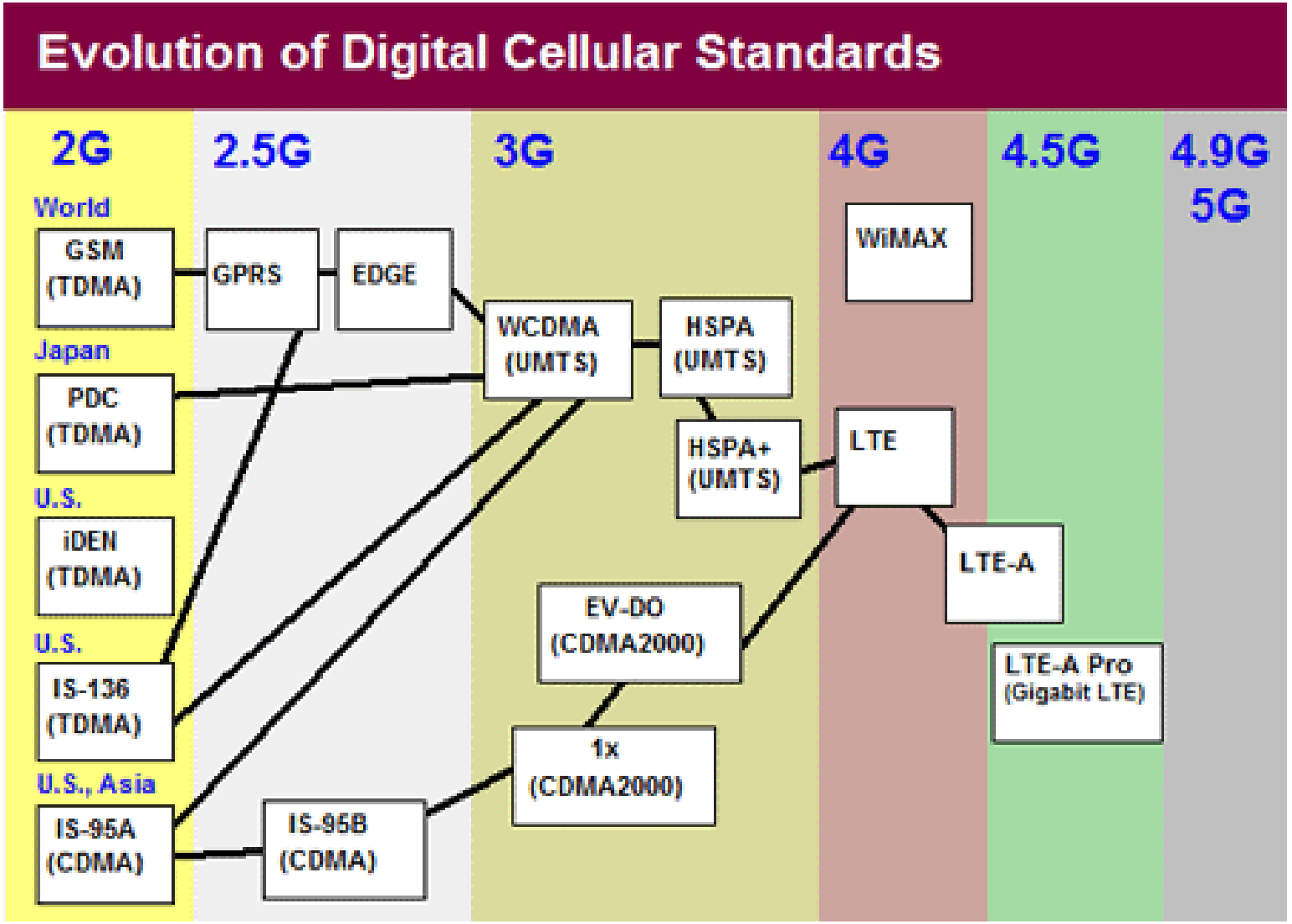
2G
- Mainly circuit switched, with packet-switching introduced since GPRS
- Based on TDMA (and CDMA for CDMA One)

3G
- Circuit and Packet-switched
- (Primarily) based on wideband CDMA

4G
- All IP flat architecture with evolved packet core.
- Based on OFDM and MIMO
- Cooperative processing

5G
- Based on massive MIMO, Small Cell and centralized processing techniques
- Integrated wire and wireless full IP networks

Evolution of Cellular Standards



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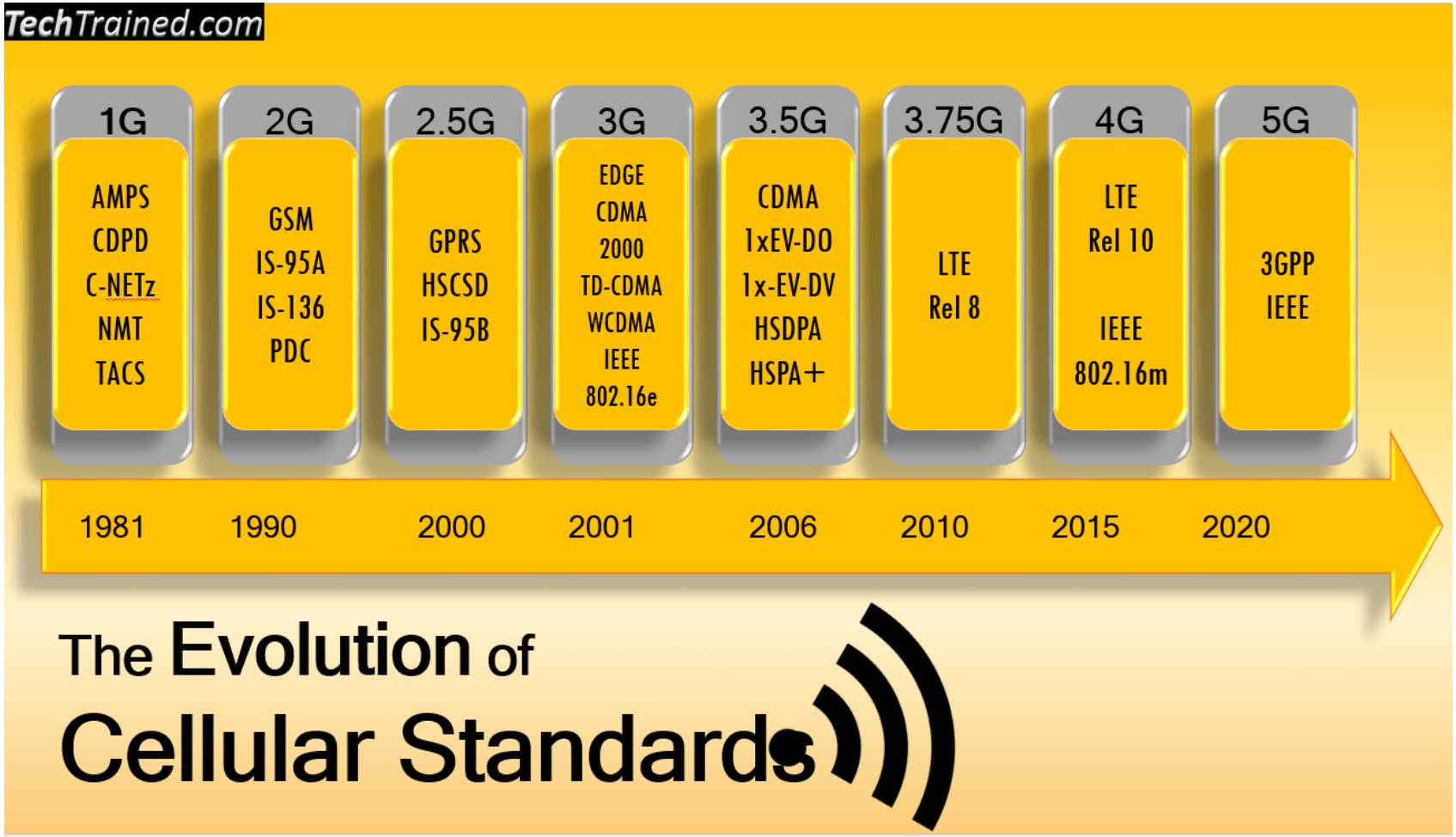

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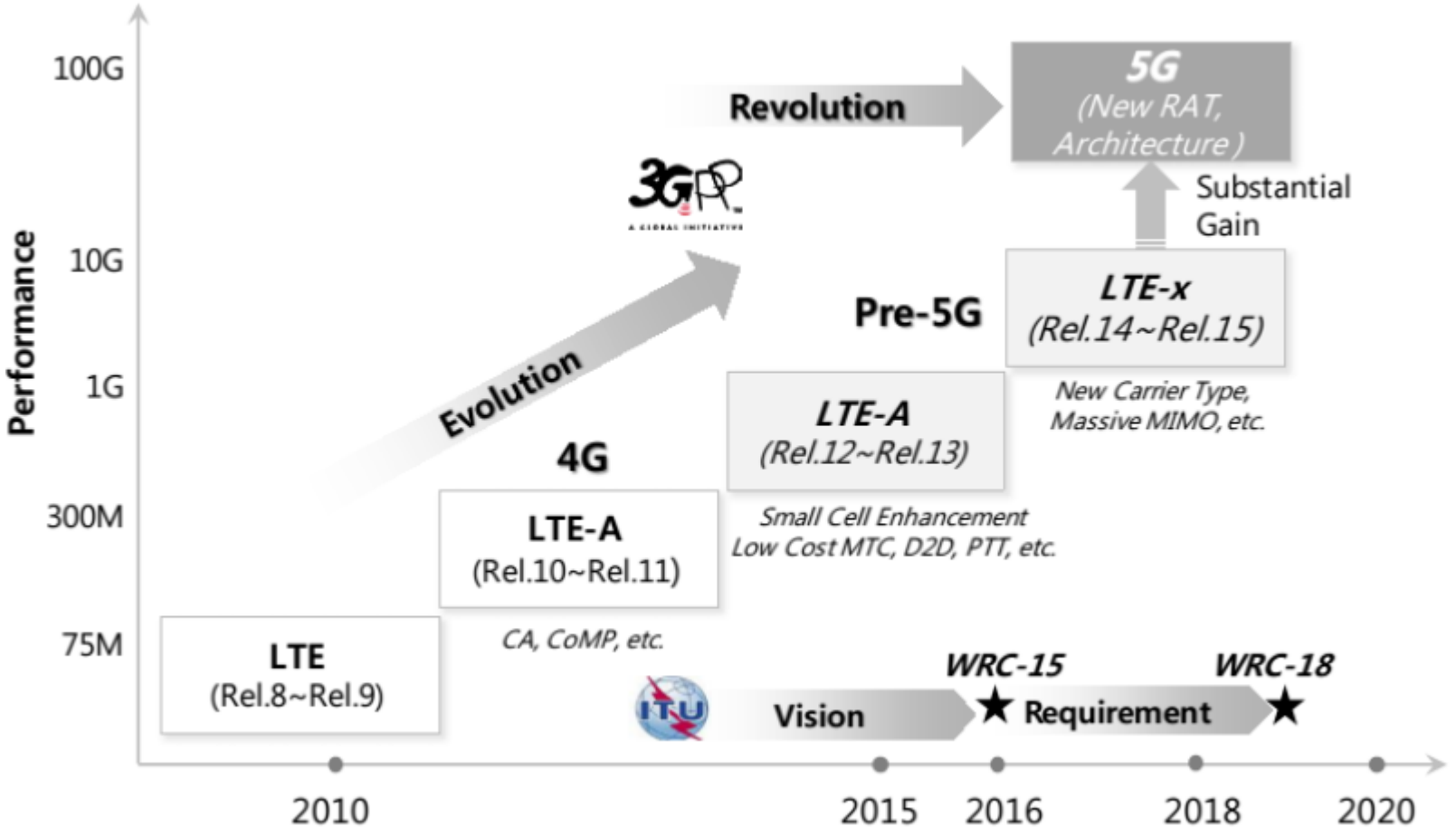
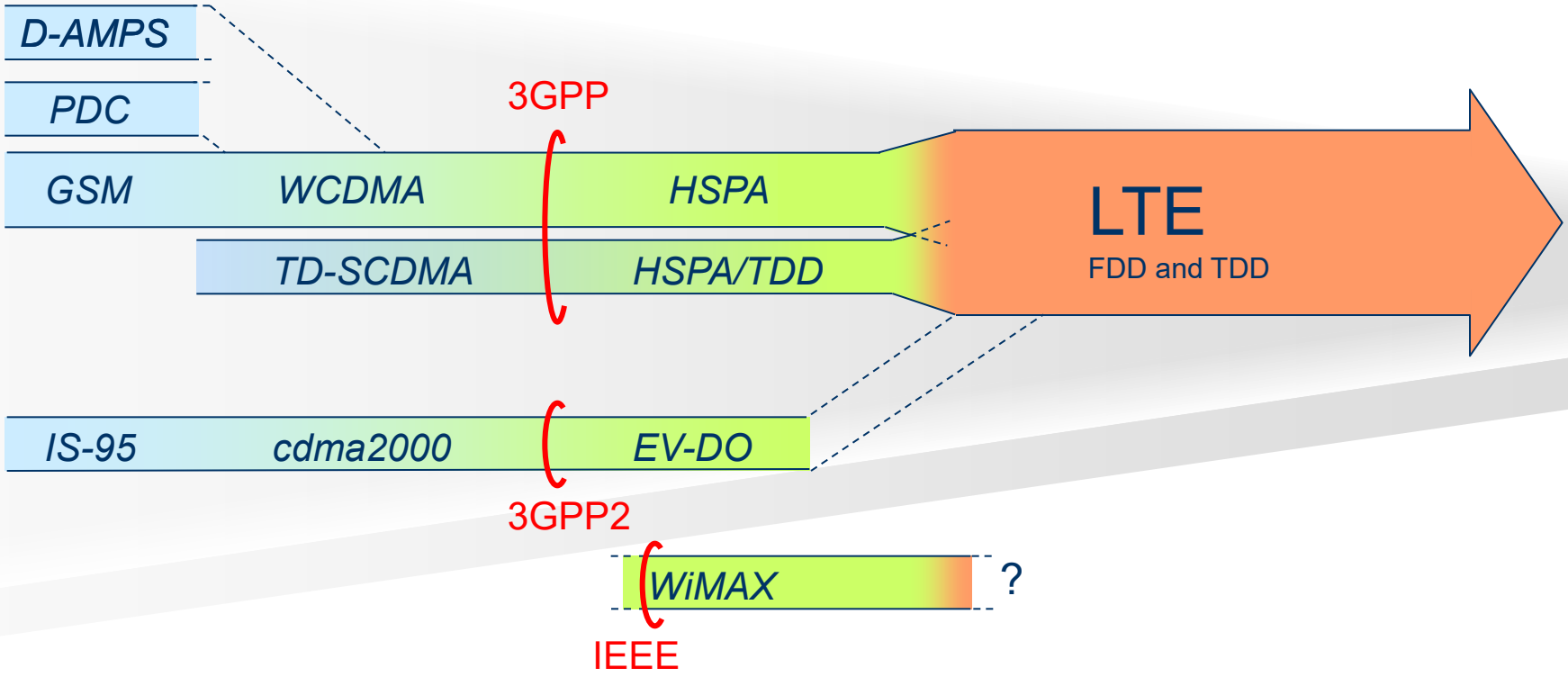
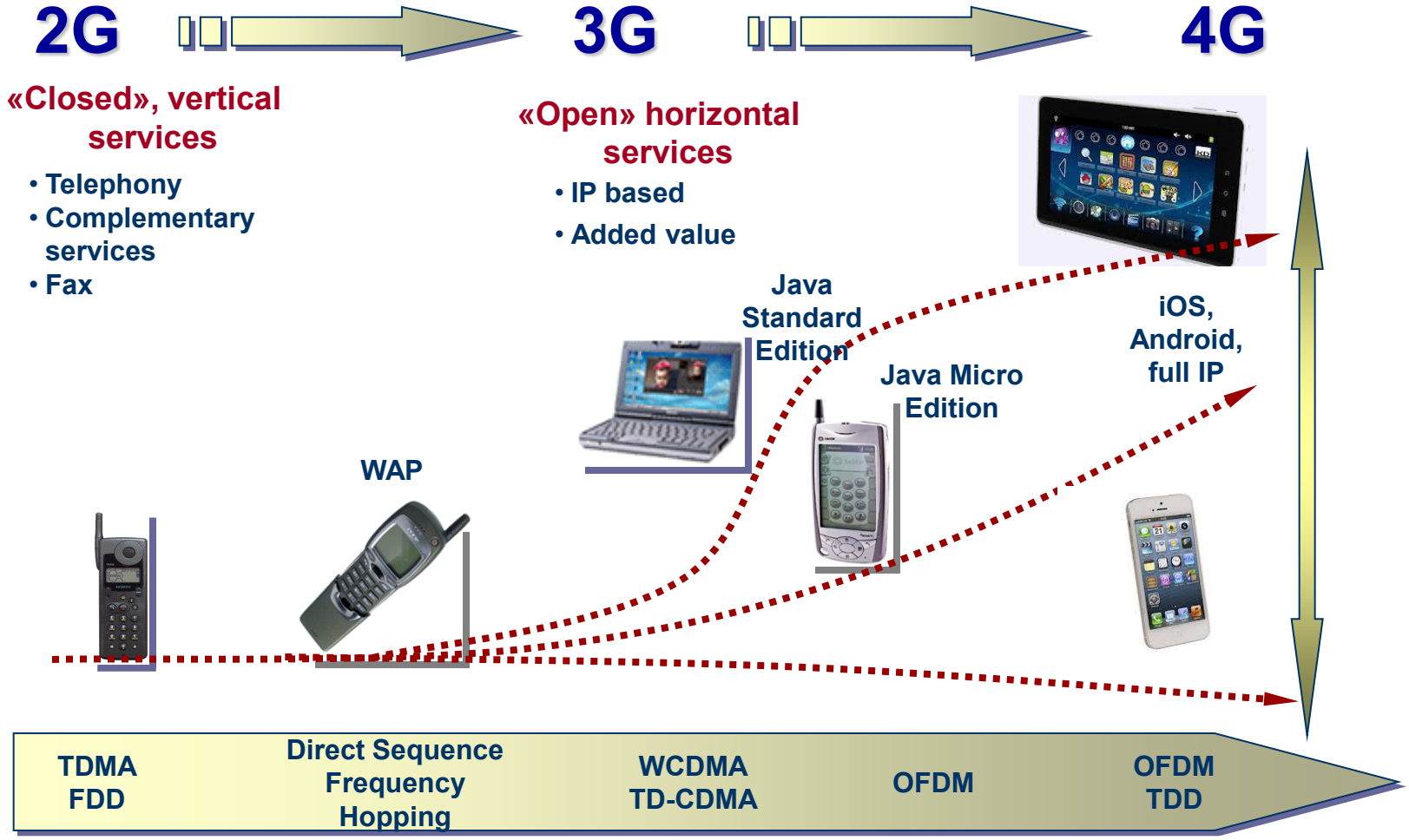


Global Convergence

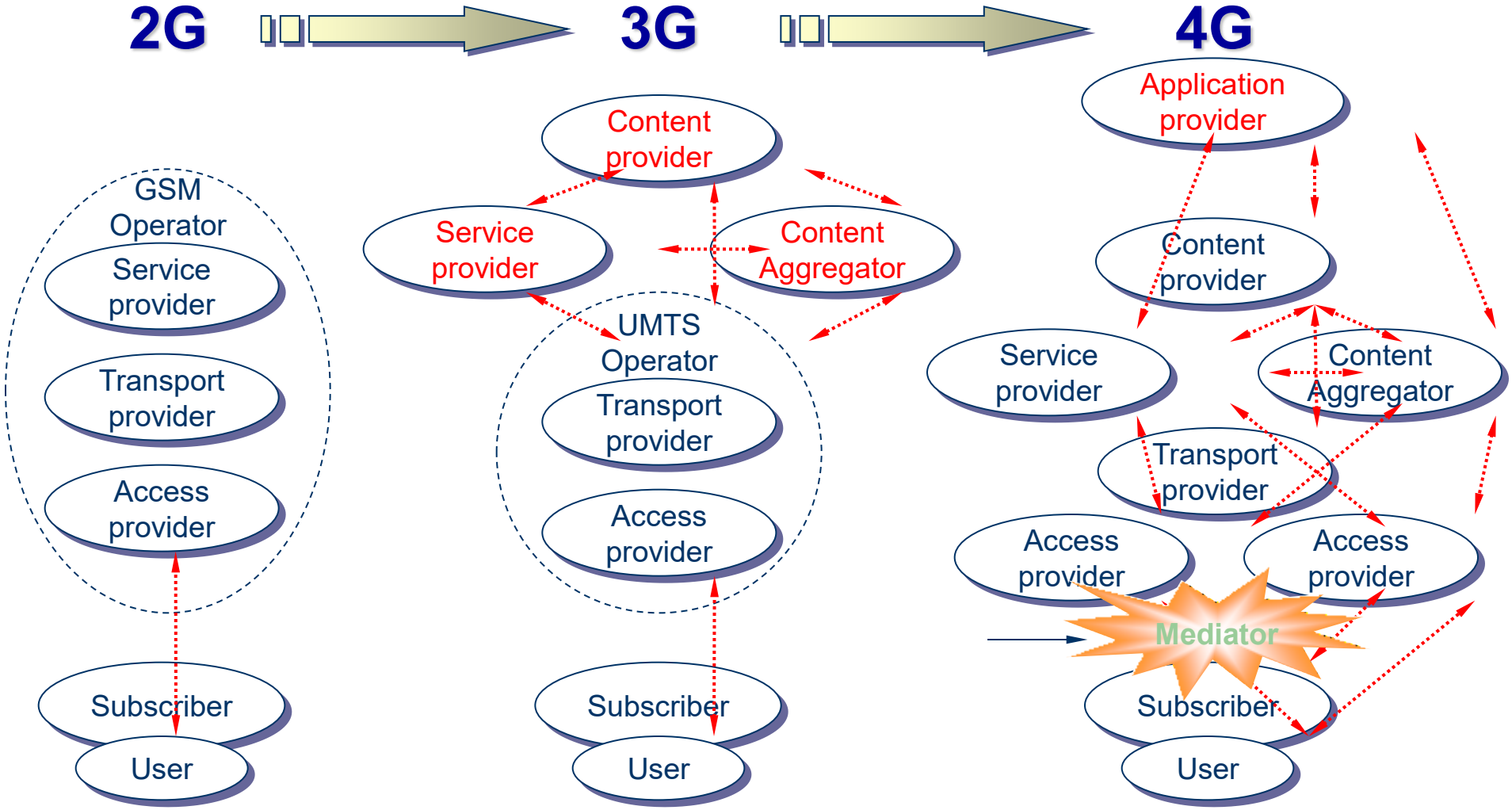
- LTE is the major technology for mobile broadband communications
  - Convergence of 3GPP and 3GPP2 technology tracks
  - Convergence of FDD and TDD into a single technology track



Evolution of terminals and services



Business model evolution



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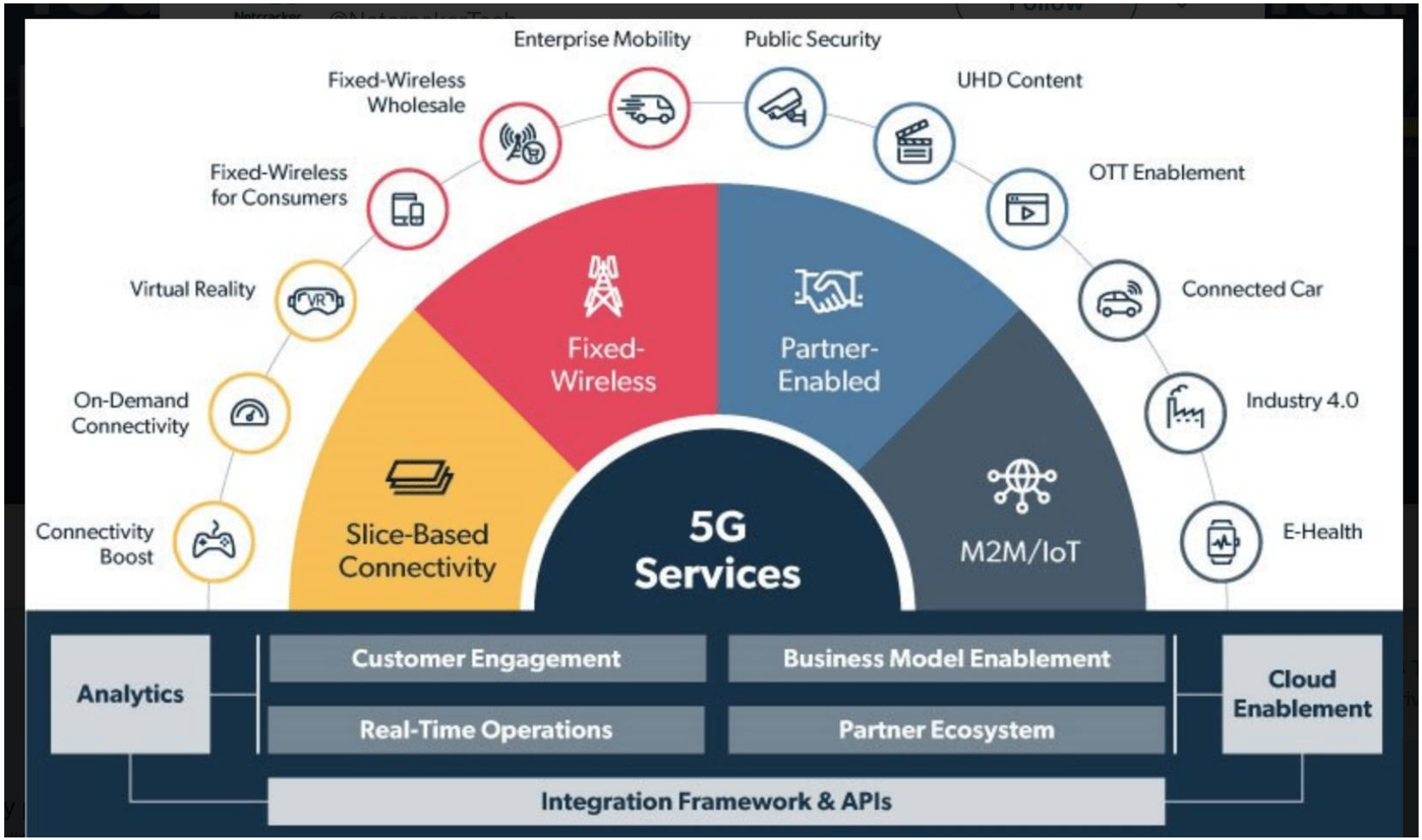

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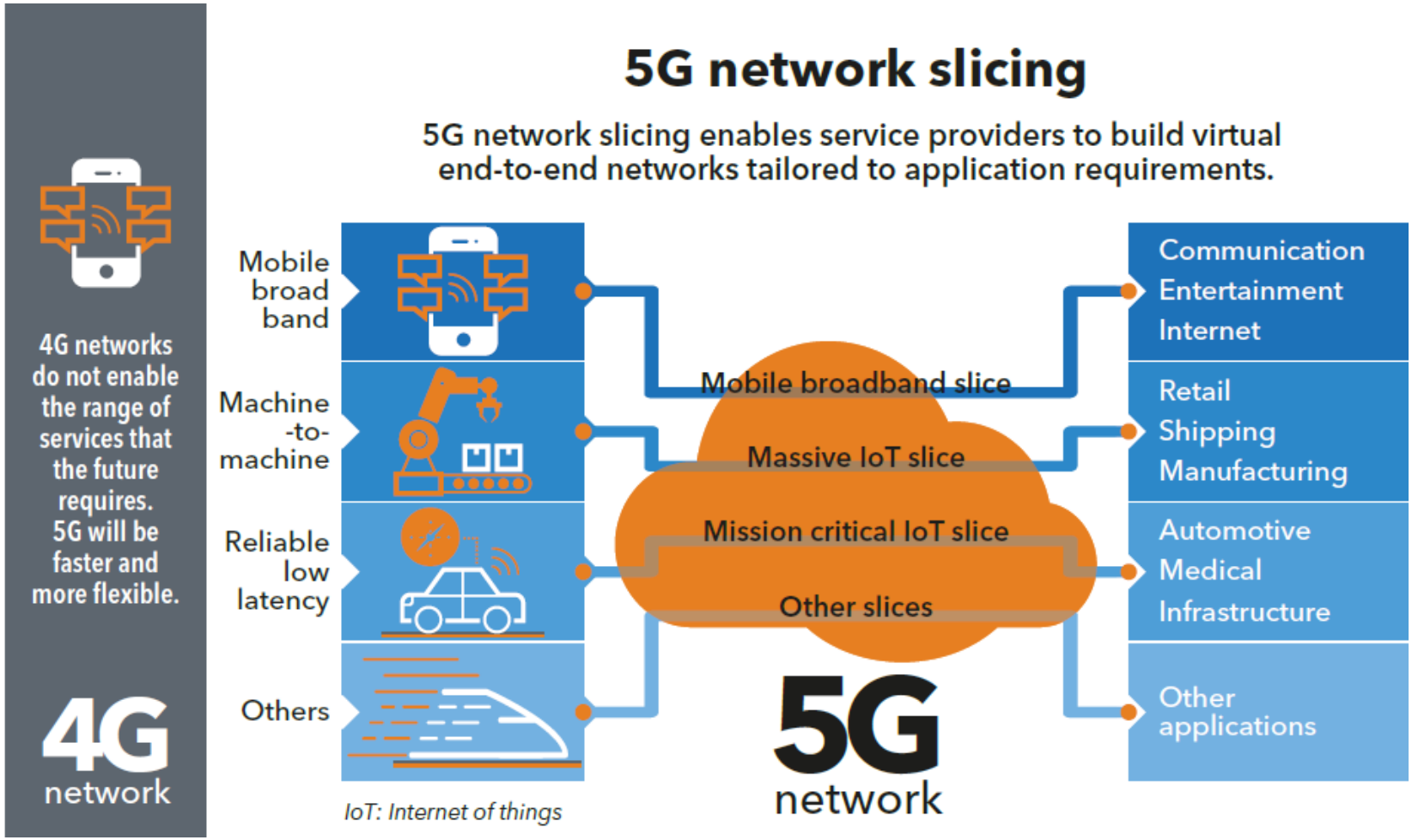
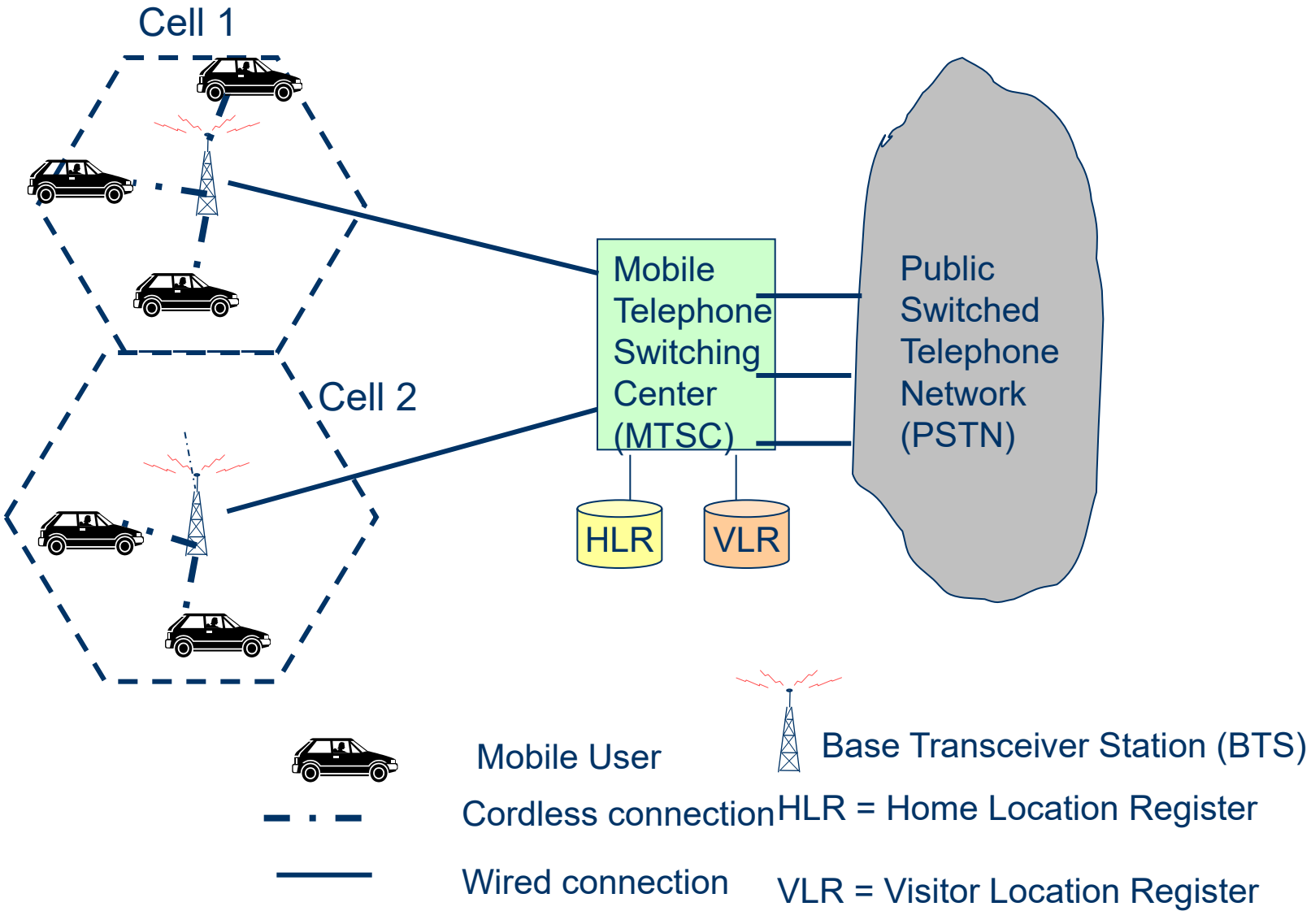


A cellular network



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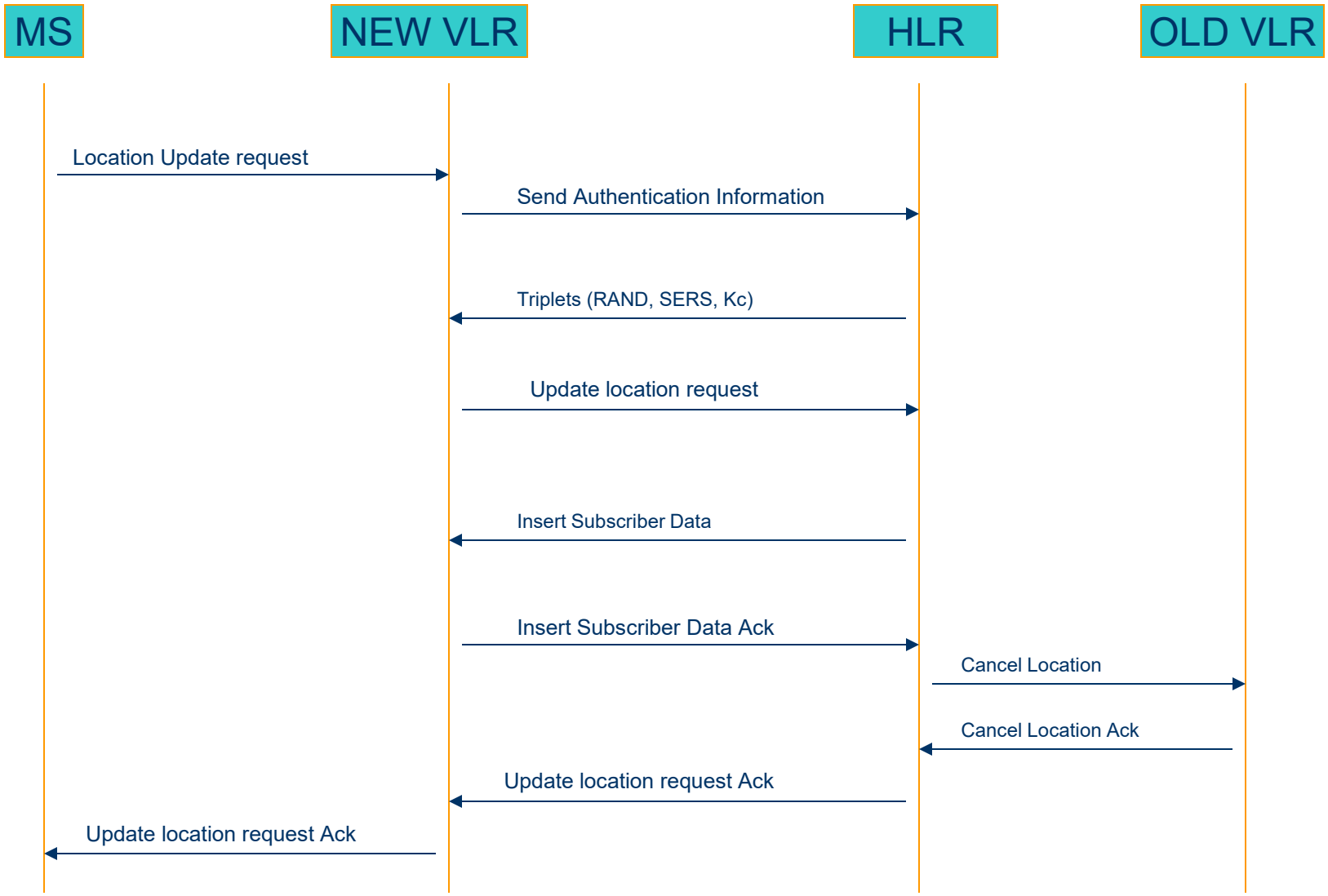


GSM

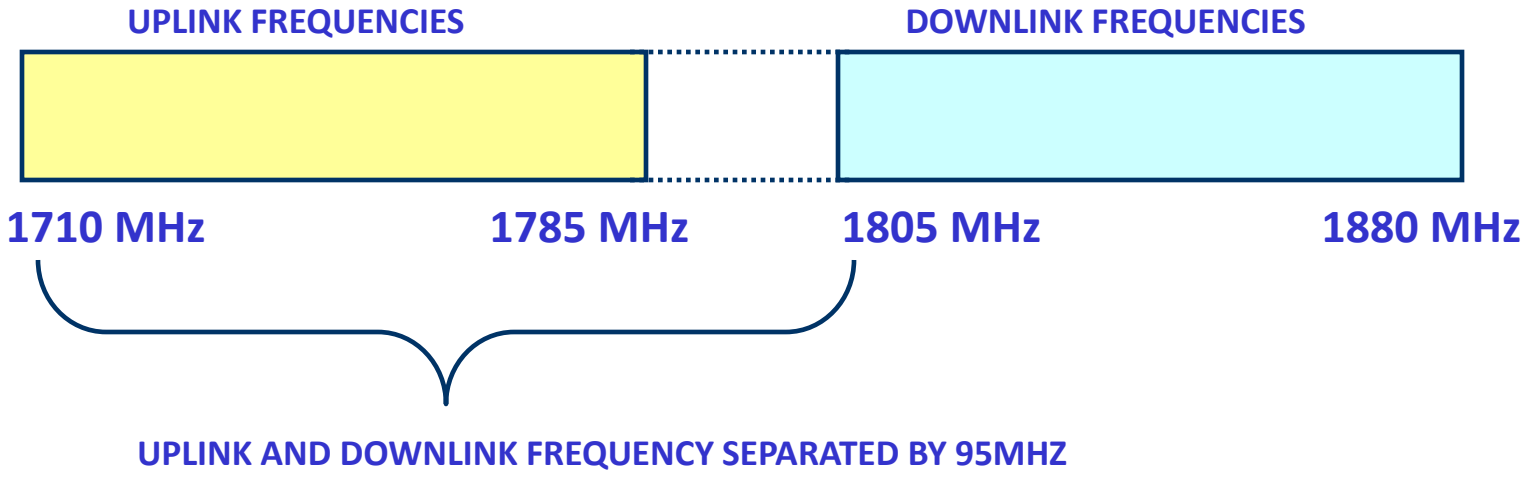
- Abbreviation for Global System for Mobile Communications
- In the mid 1980's, most of Europe didn't have a cellular network
  - They weren't committed to analog
- After many years of research, GSM was proposed around 1990
  - Covered Germany, France, England, and Scandinavia
  - In Greece GSM started in 1993
- Goals:
  - Roaming throughout all of Europe
  - Low power and inexpensive devices
  - All digital to offer 64kbps throughput
    - Never achieved

GSM Services

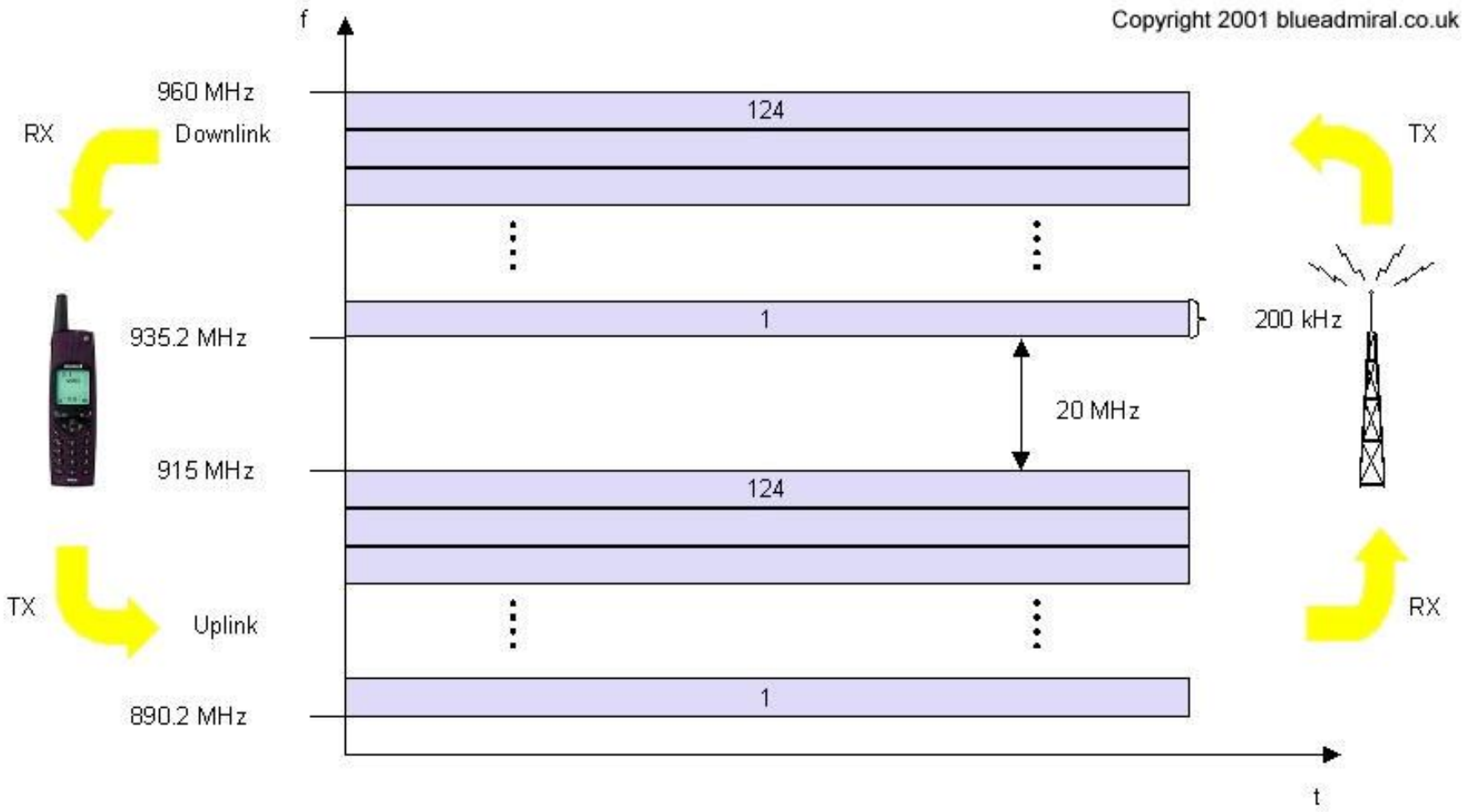
- Voice, 3.1 kHz
- Some data transmission is possible with very low speeds (originally 9.6kbps) – e.g. fax.
- Short Message Service (SMS)
  - 1985 GSM standard that allows messages of at most 160 chars (incl. spaces) to be sent between handsets and other stations
  - SMS was for years the most widely used data application in the world, with 3.6 billion active users, or 78% of all mobile phone subscribers (2011).

GSM Frequencies

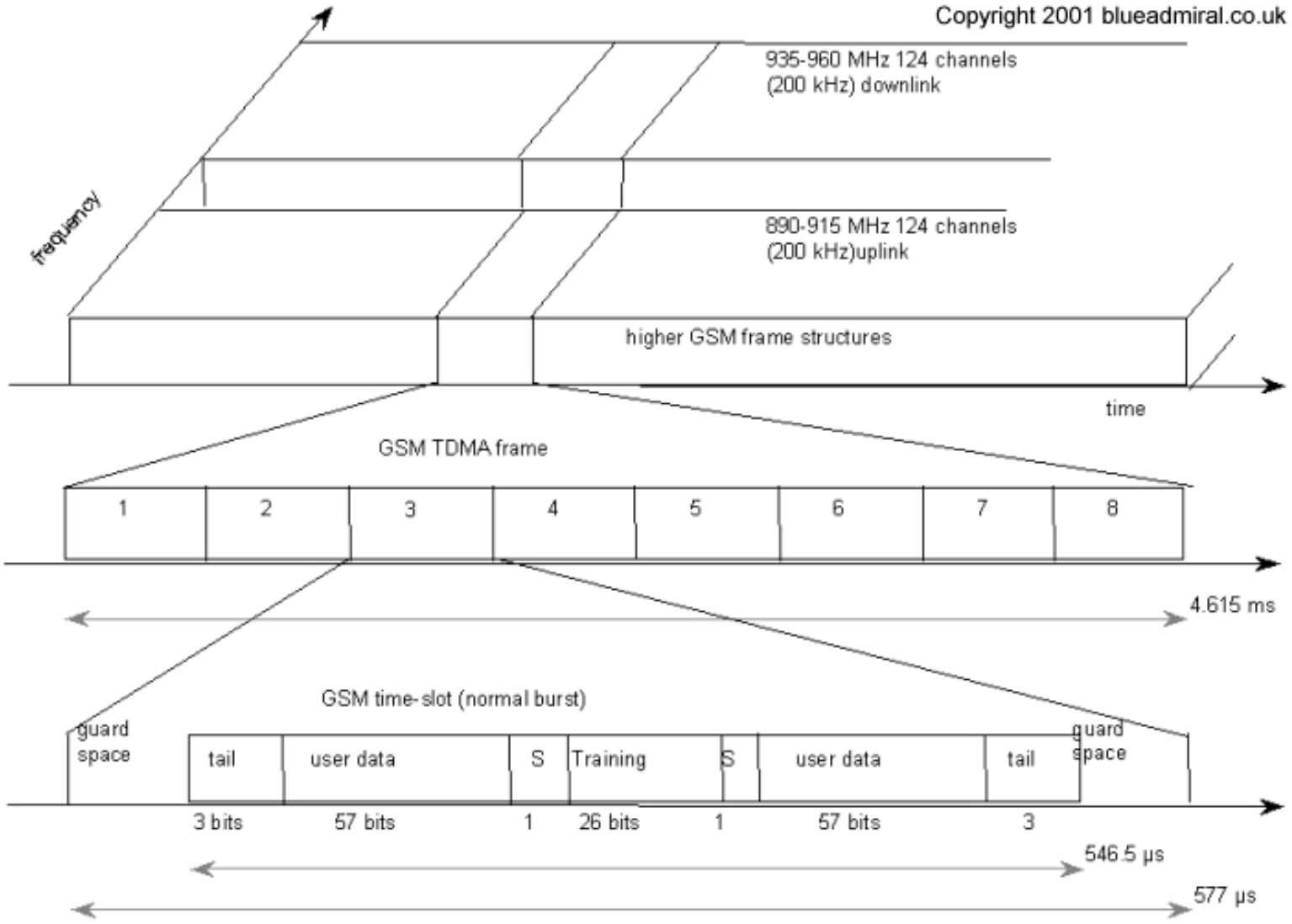
- Originally designed on 900MHz range, later available on 800MHz, 1800MHz and 1900 MHz ranges.
- Separate Uplink and Downlink frequencies
  - One example channel on the 1800 MHz frequency band, where RF carriers are spaced every 200 kHz



Uplink/Downlink frequency channels

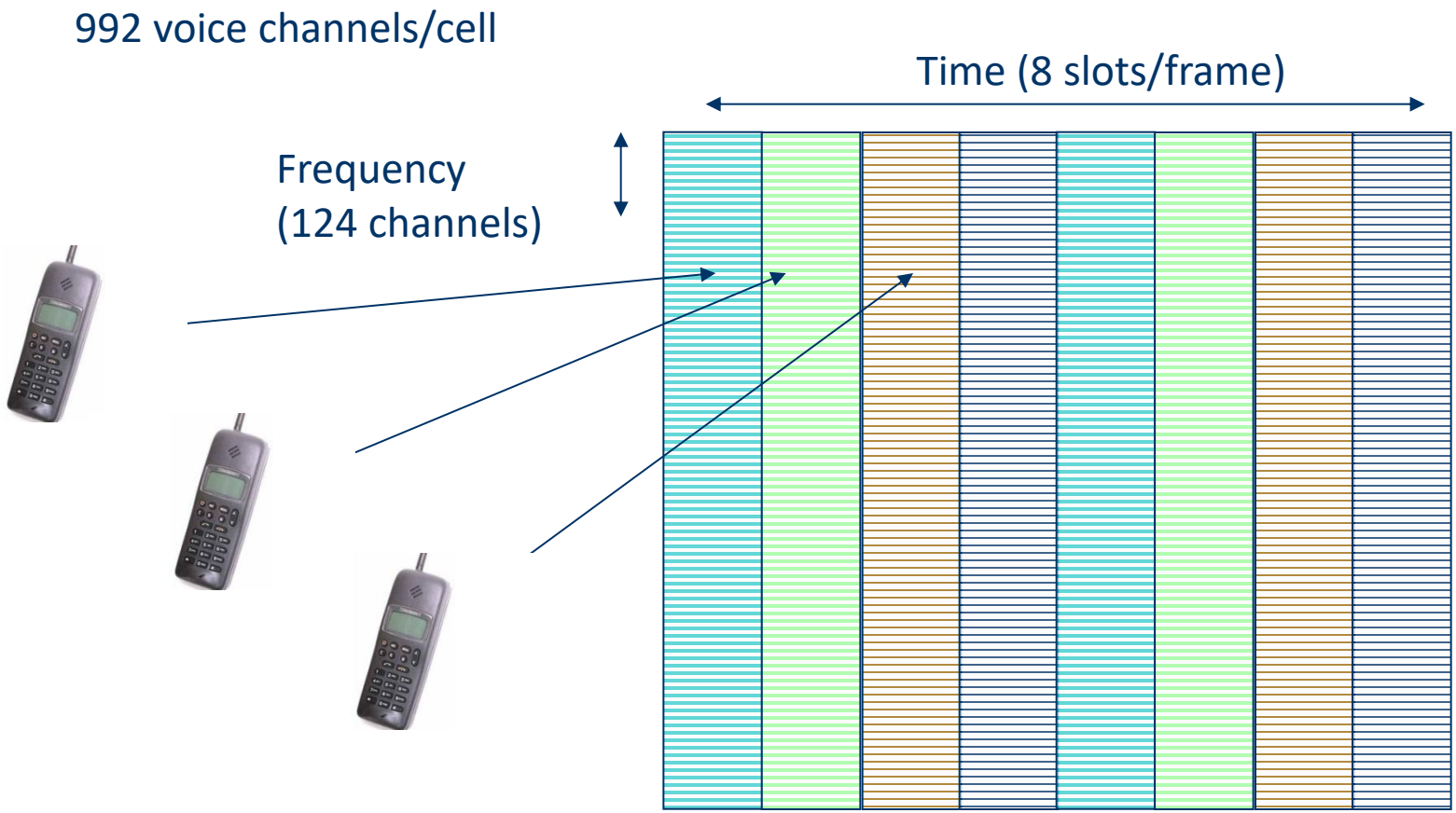


GSM resource allocation

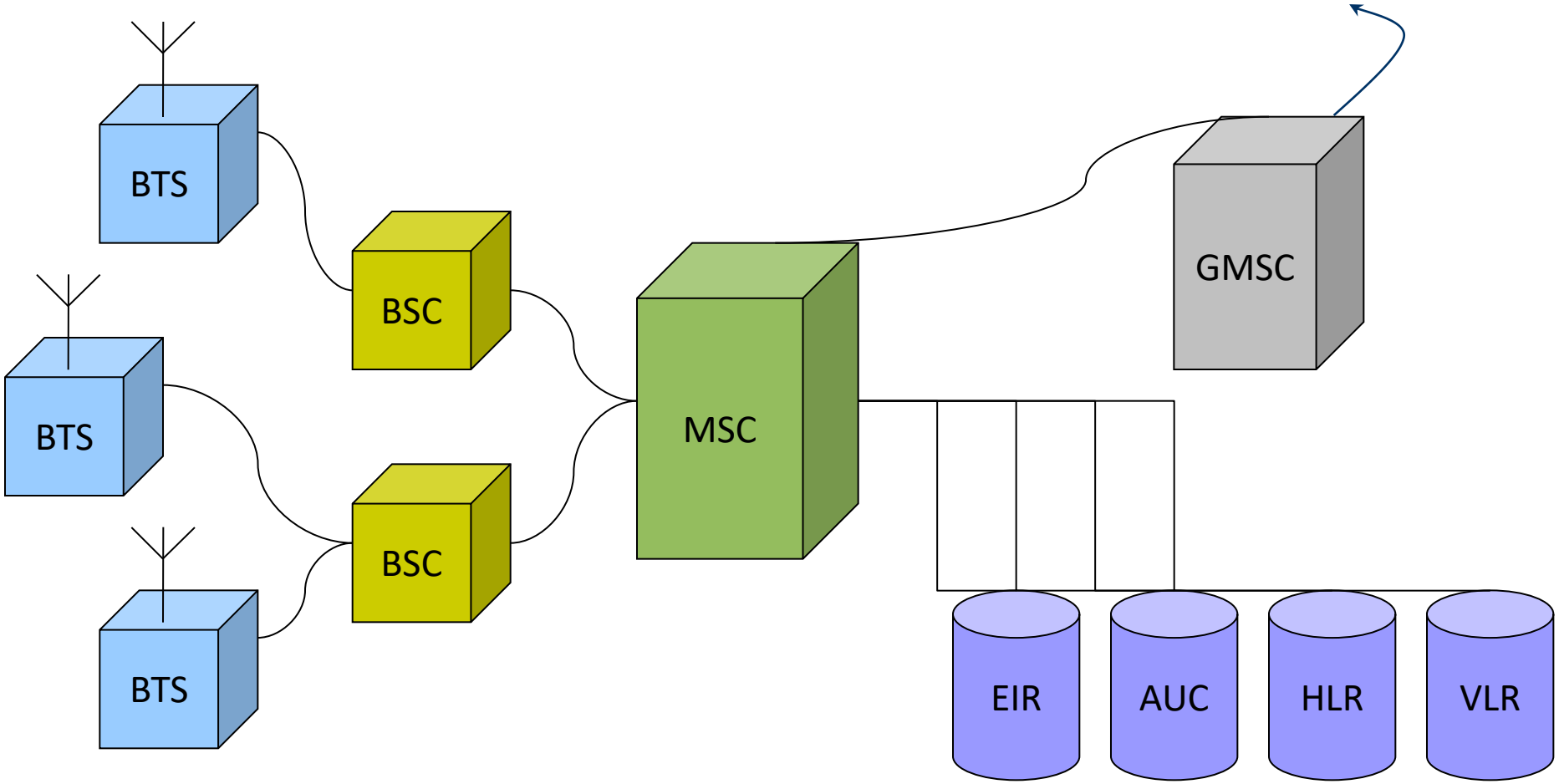


GSM System – Multiple Access

Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA)



GSM architecture



GSM main components

Base Transceiver Station (BTS): Encodes, encrypts, multiplexes, modulates and feeds the RF signals to the antenna.

Base Station Controller (BSC): Manages Radio resources for BTSs, assigns frequency and time slots for all mobile terminals in its area.

Mobile Switching Center (MSC): Heart of the network, call setup function and basic switching, call routing , billing information and collection, mobility management.

Home/Visiting Location Registers (HLR/VLR): permanent/temporary database about mobile subscribers in a large service area.

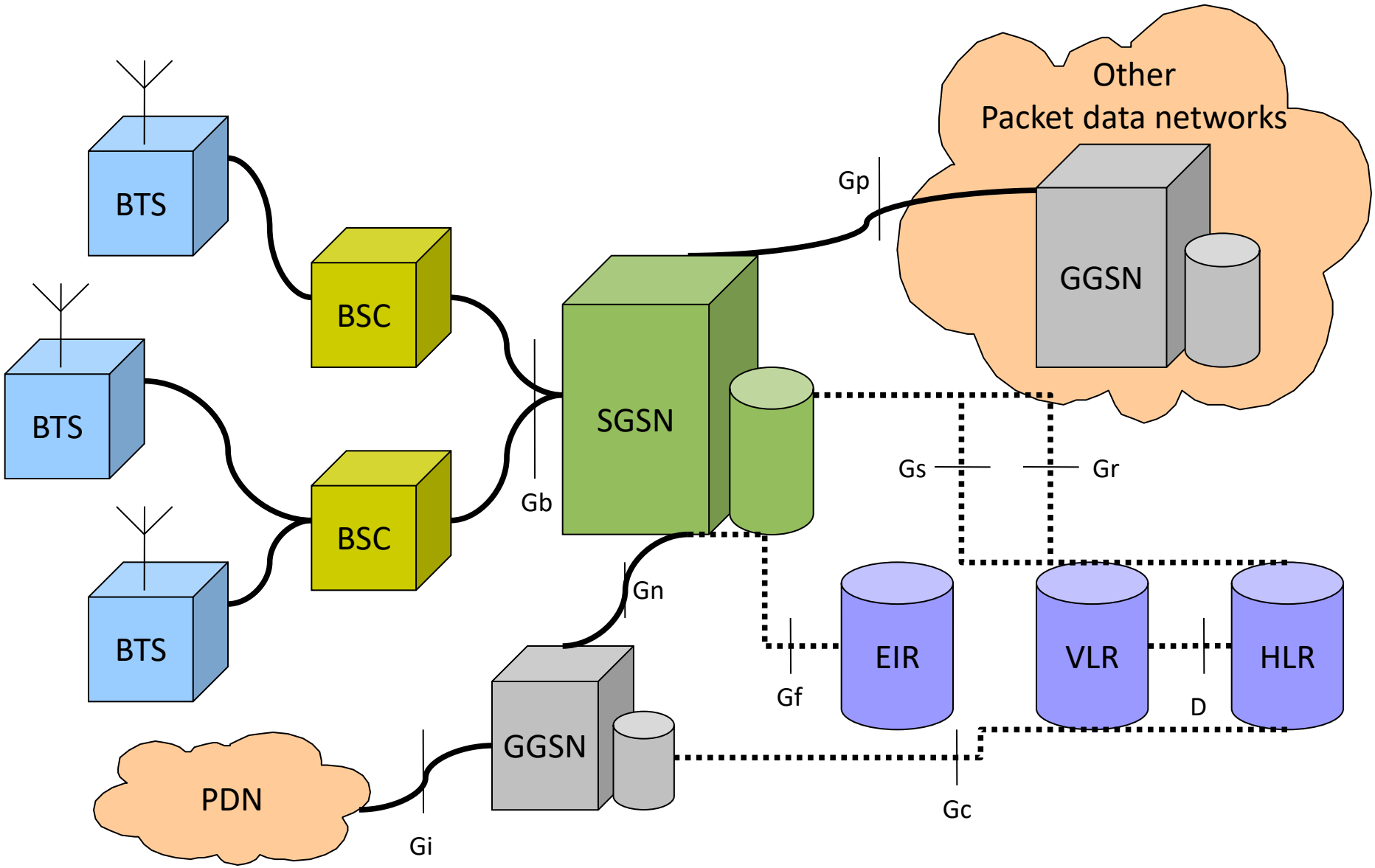
Authentication Center (AUC): Protects against intruders in air interface, maintains authentication keys and algorithms.

Equipment Identity Register (EIR): Database that is used to track handsets using the IMEI (International Mobile Equipment Identity).

GPRS (General Packet Radio Service)

- GSM upgrade that provides IP-based packet data transmission up to 171 kbps (never allowed)
- Users can “simultaneously” make calls and send data
- GPRS provides “always on” Internet access and the Multimedia Messaging Service (MMS)
- Performance degrades as number of users increase
- GPRS is an example of 2.5G telephony

GPRS Architecture

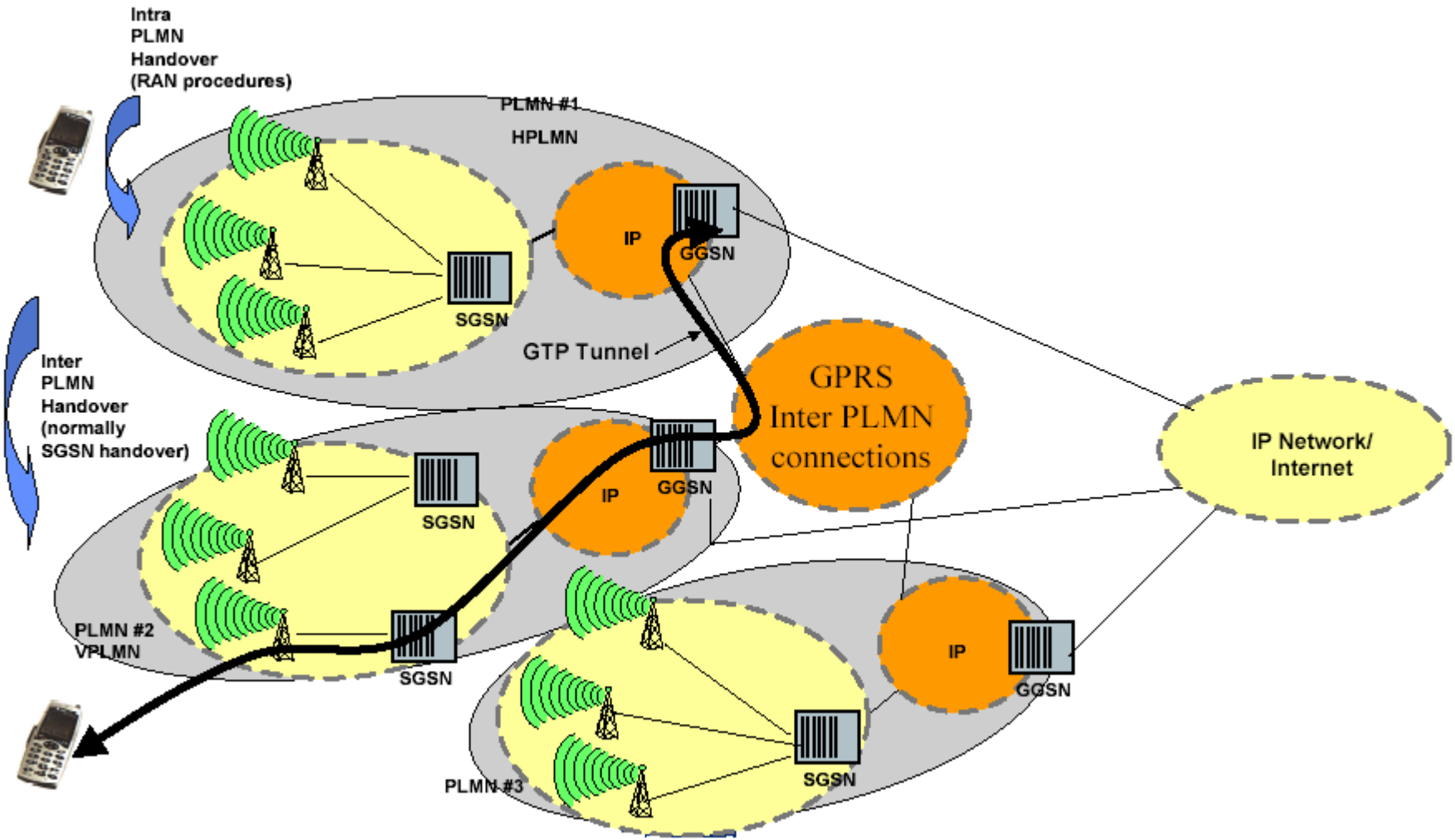


Main difference with GSM

SGSN (Serving GPRS Support Node): Packet switching with mobility management capabilities. Responsible for the delivery of data packets from and to the mobile stations within its geographical service area.

GGSN (Gateway GPRS Support Node): Packet switch interworking with other data networks (Internet). Converts the GPRS packets coming from the SGSN into the appropriate packet data protocol format (e.g., IP)

Routing in GPRS



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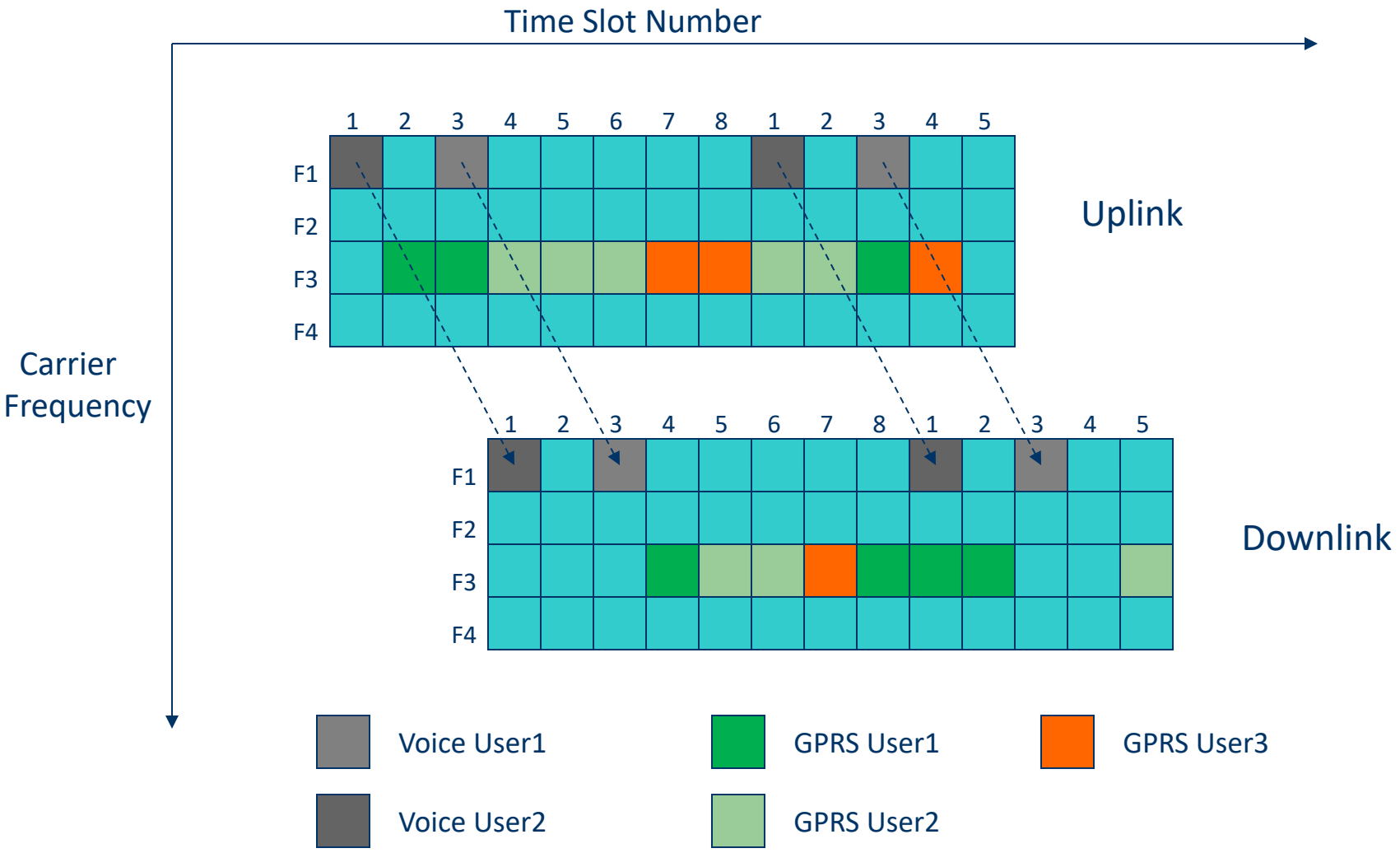
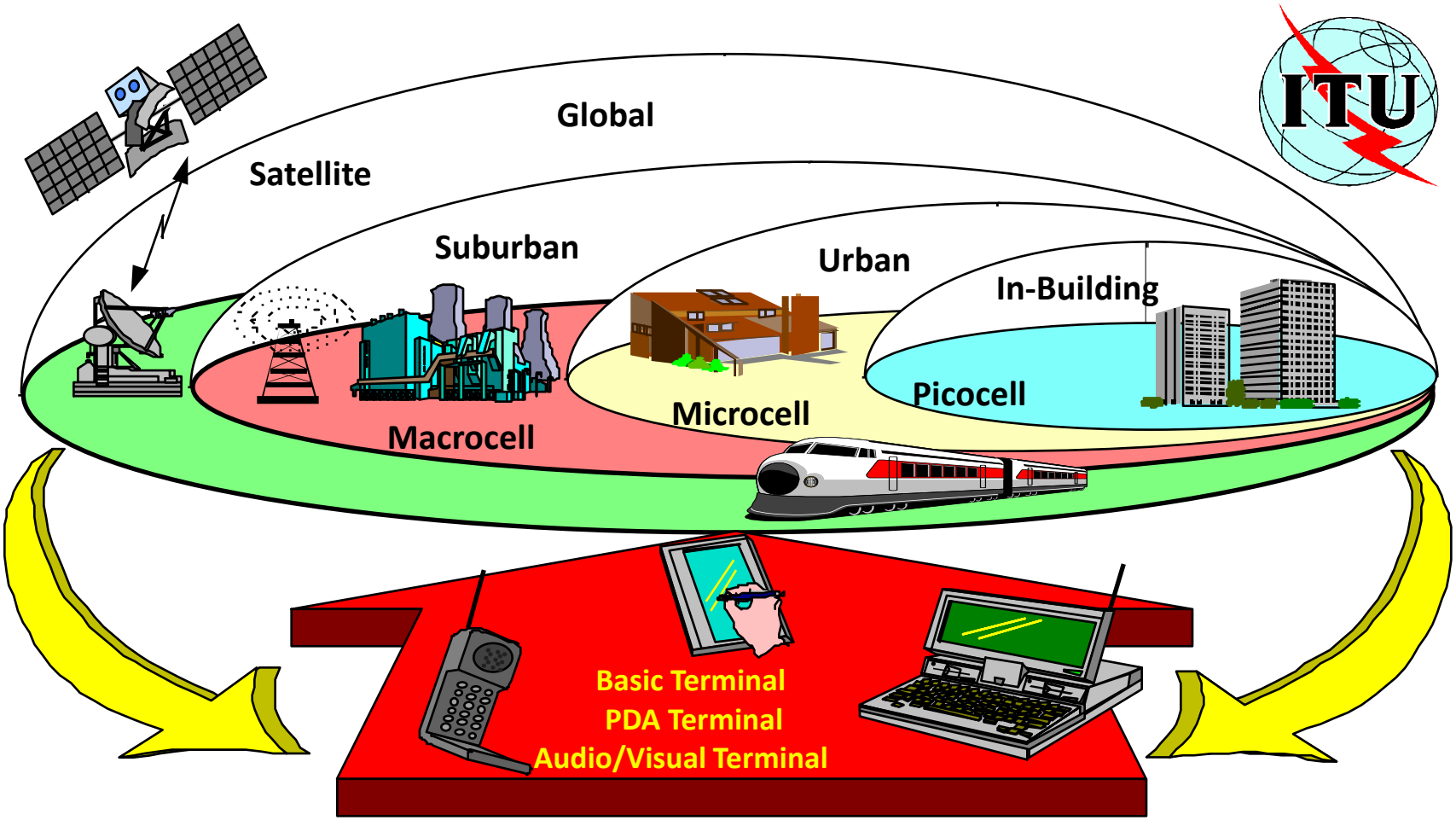


3G

- 3G refers to a set of standards that comply to IMT-2000 specifications by ITU
- The following standards are typically branded 3G:
  - the UMTS system, first offered in 2001, standardized by 3GPP, used primarily in Europe
  - the CDMA2000 system, first offered in 2002, standardized by 3GPP2, used especially in North America

IMT-2000 Vision Includes LAN, WAN and Satellite Services

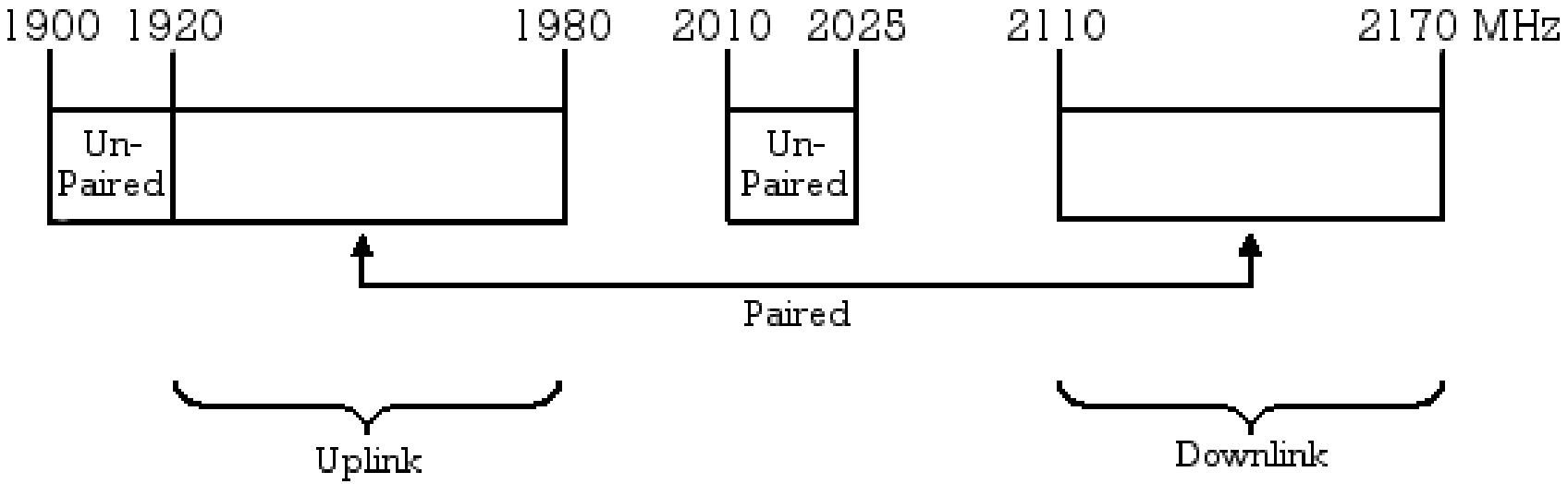


UMTS (Universal Mobile Telecommunications System)

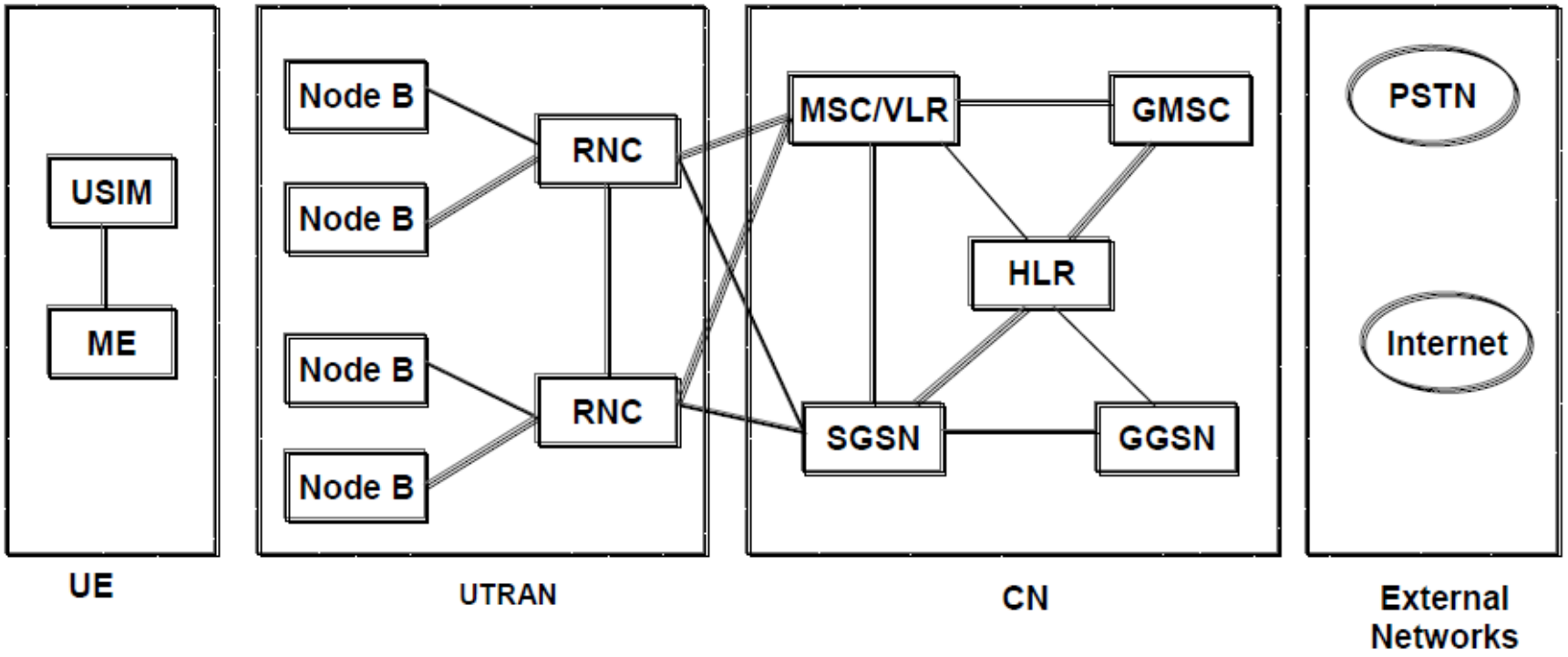
- Voice quality comparable to the public switched telephone network
- 144 Kbps/user in high-speed motor vehicles
- 384 Kbps/pedestrian standing or moving slowly over small areas
- Up to 2 Mbps for fixed applications like office use
- Symmetrical/asymmetrical data transmission rates
- Support for both packet switched and circuit switched data services like Internet Protocol (IP) traffic and real time video

UMTS Frequency Spectrum

- UMTS Band
  - 1900-2025 MHz and 2110-2200 MHz for 3G transmission
  - In the US, 1710–1755 MHz and 2110–2155 Mhz is used instead, as the 1900 MHz band was already used.



UMTS Architecture



- UE (User Equipment) that interfaces with the user
- UTRAN (UMTS Terrestrial Radio Access Network) handles all radio related functionality – WCDMA is radio interface standard here.
- CN (Core Network) is responsible for transport functions such as switching and routing calls and data, tracking users

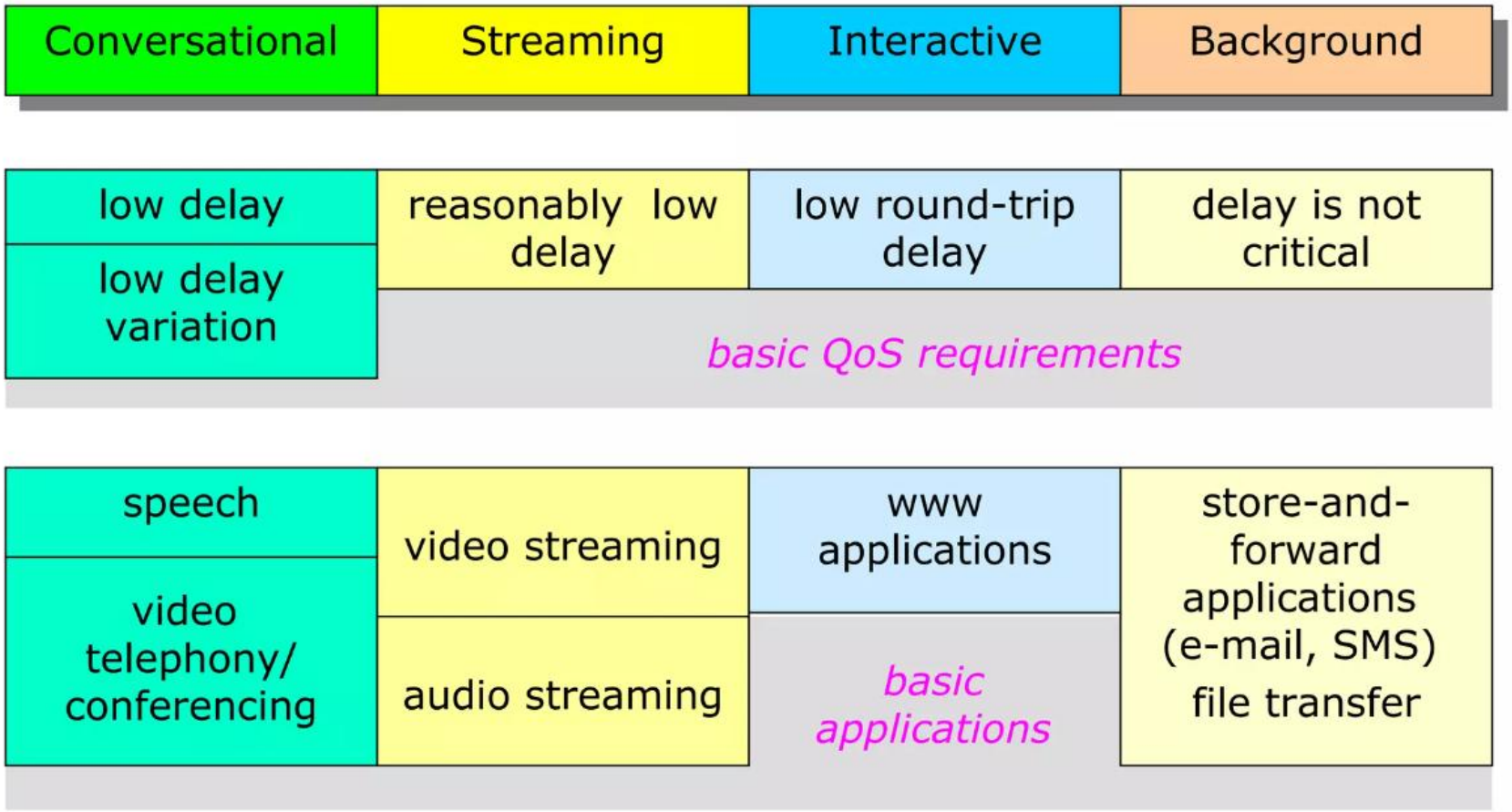
UMTS Network Architecture

- UMTS network architecture consists of three domains
  - **Core Network (CN):** Provide switching, routing and transit for user traffic
  - **UMTS Terrestrial Radio Access Network (UTRAN):** Provides the air interface access method for user equipment.
  - **User Equipment (UE):** Terminals work as air interface counterpart for base stations.

UMTS QoS Classes

Traffic class	Conversational class	Streaming class	Interactive class	Background
Fundamental characteristics	Preserve time relation between information entities of the stream Conversational pattern (stringent and low delay)	Preserve time relation between information entities of the stream	Request response pattern Preserve data integrity	Destination is not expecting the data within a certain time Preserve data integrity
Example of the application	Voice, videotelephony, video games	Streaming multimedia	Web browsing, network games	Background download of emails

UMTS QoS Classes



UMTS QoS Classes

Conversational	Streaming	Interactive	Background

- low delay (< 400 ms) and low delay variation
- BER requirements not so stringent
- in the radio network => real-time (RT) connections

- speech (using AMR = Adaptive Multi-Rate speech coding)
- video telephony / conferencing:

  ITU-T Rec. H.324 (over circuit switched connections)

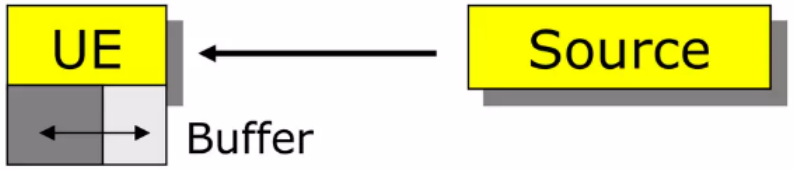
  ITU-T Rec. H.323 or IETF SIP (over packet switched connections)

UMTS QoS Classes

Conversational	**Streaming**	Interactive	Background

- reasonably low delay and delay variation
- BER requirements quite stringent
- traffic management important (variable bit rate)
- in the radio network => real-time (RT) connections

- video streaming
- audio streaming



video or audio information is buffered in the UE,
large delay => buffer is running out of content!

UMTS QoS Classes

Conversational	Streaming	Interactive	Background

- low round-trip delay (< seconds)
- delay variation is not important
- BER requirements stringent
- in the radio network => non-real-time (NRT) connections

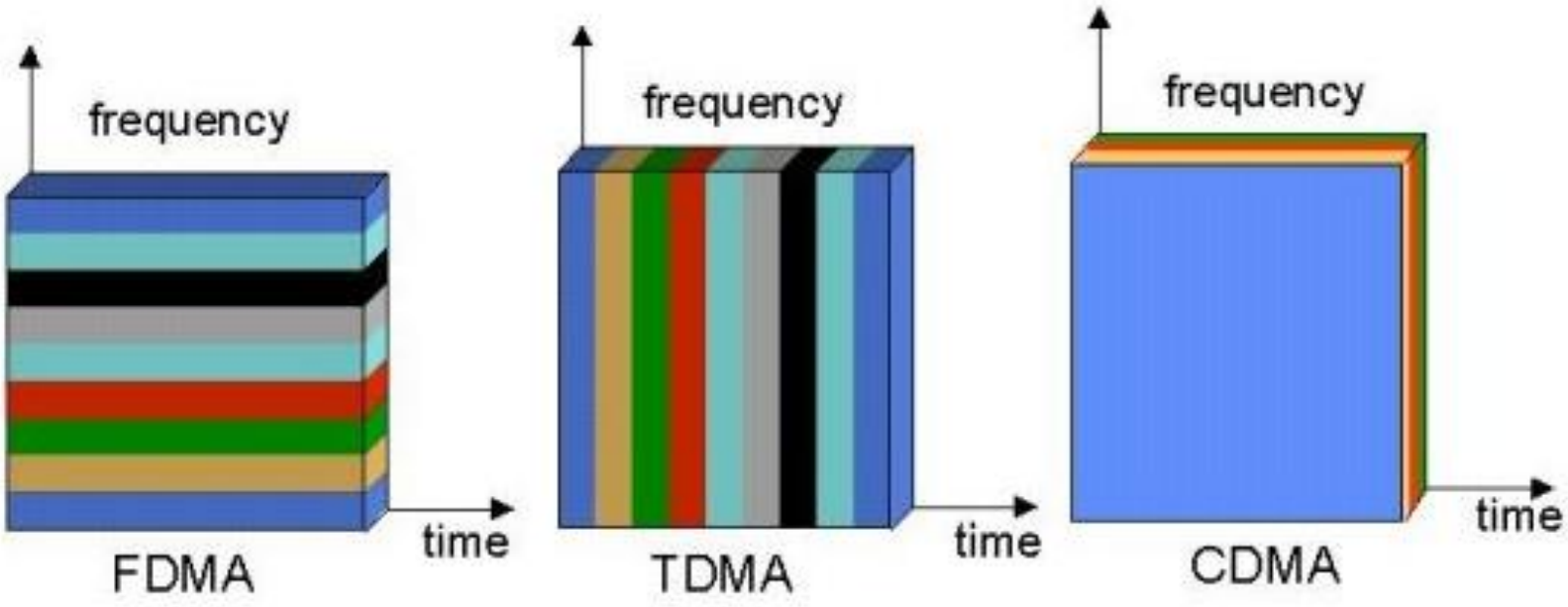
- web browsing
- interactive games
- location-based services (LCS)

UMTS QoS Classes

Conversational	Streaming	Interactive	Background

- delay / delay variation is not an important issue
- BER requirements stringent
- in the radio network => non-real-time (NRT) connections

- SMS (Short Message Service) and other more advanced messaging services (EMS, MMS)
- e-mail notification, e-mail download
- file transfer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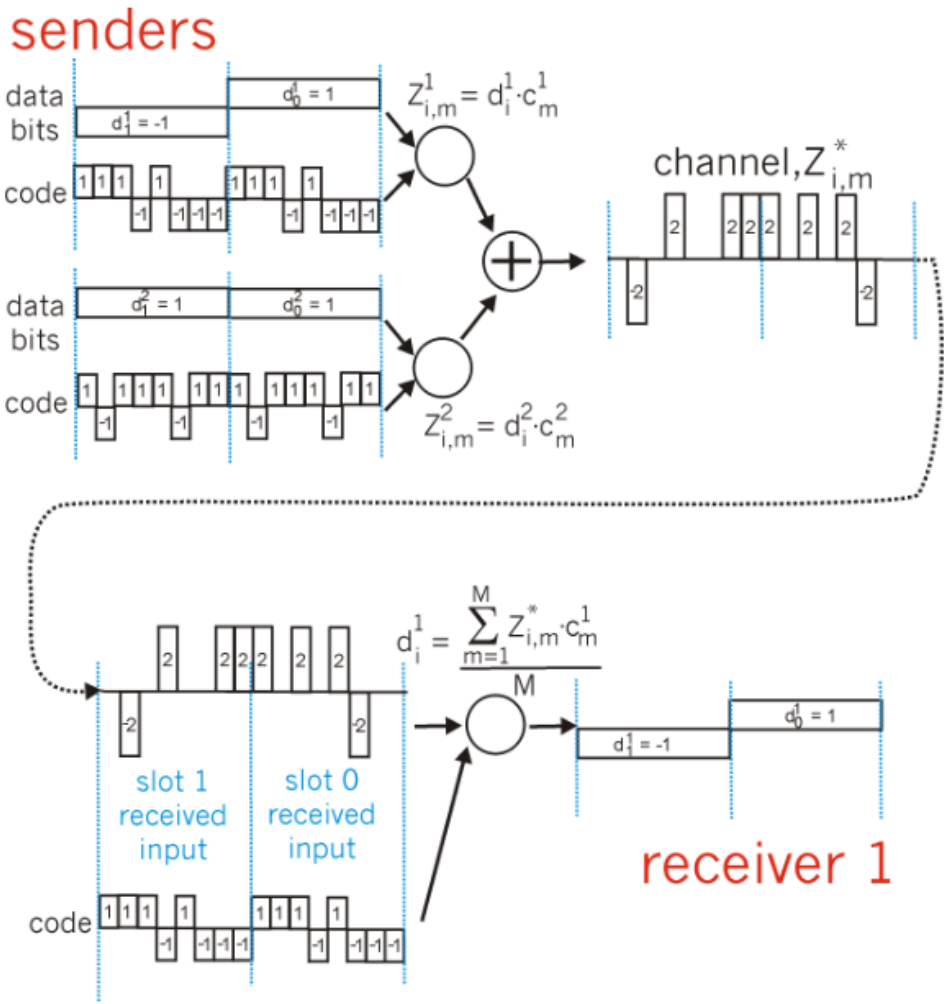
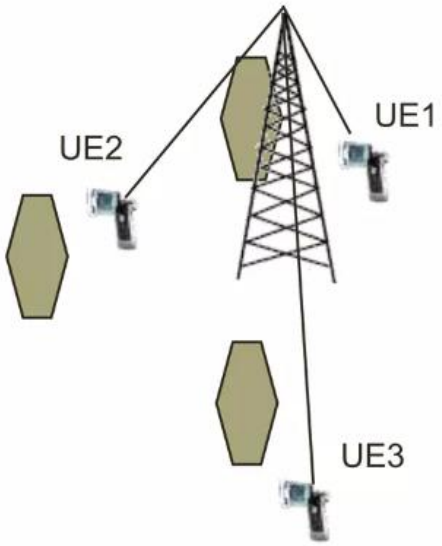
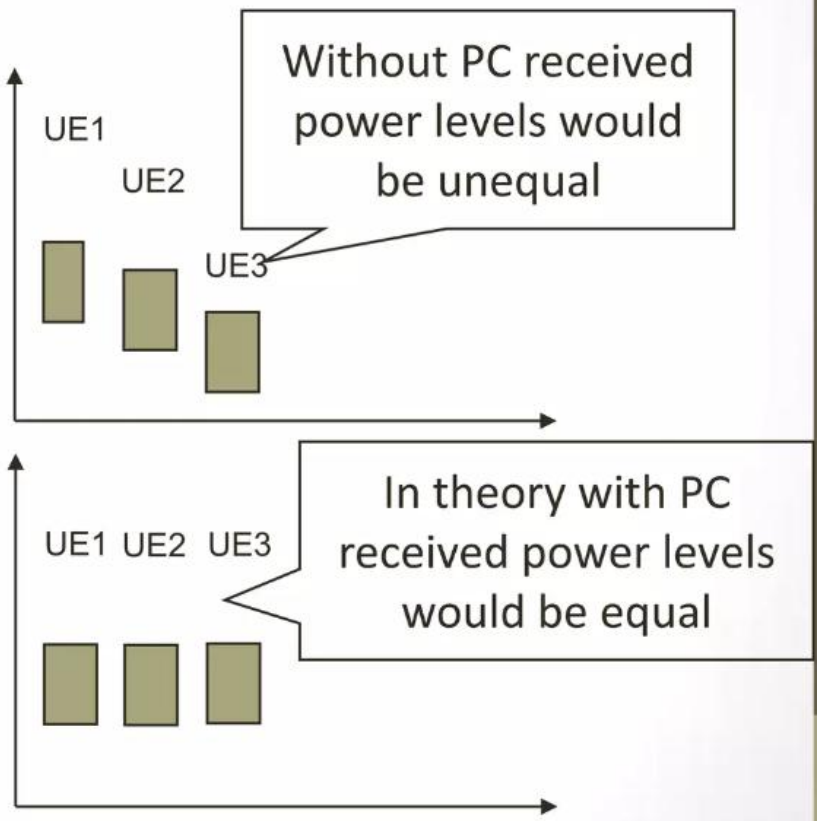
Code Division Multiple Access (CDMA)



Power control in WCDMA

- The purpose of power control (PC) is to ensure that each user receives and transmits just enough energy to prevent:
  - Blocking of distant users (near-far-effect)
  - Exceeding reasonable interference levels





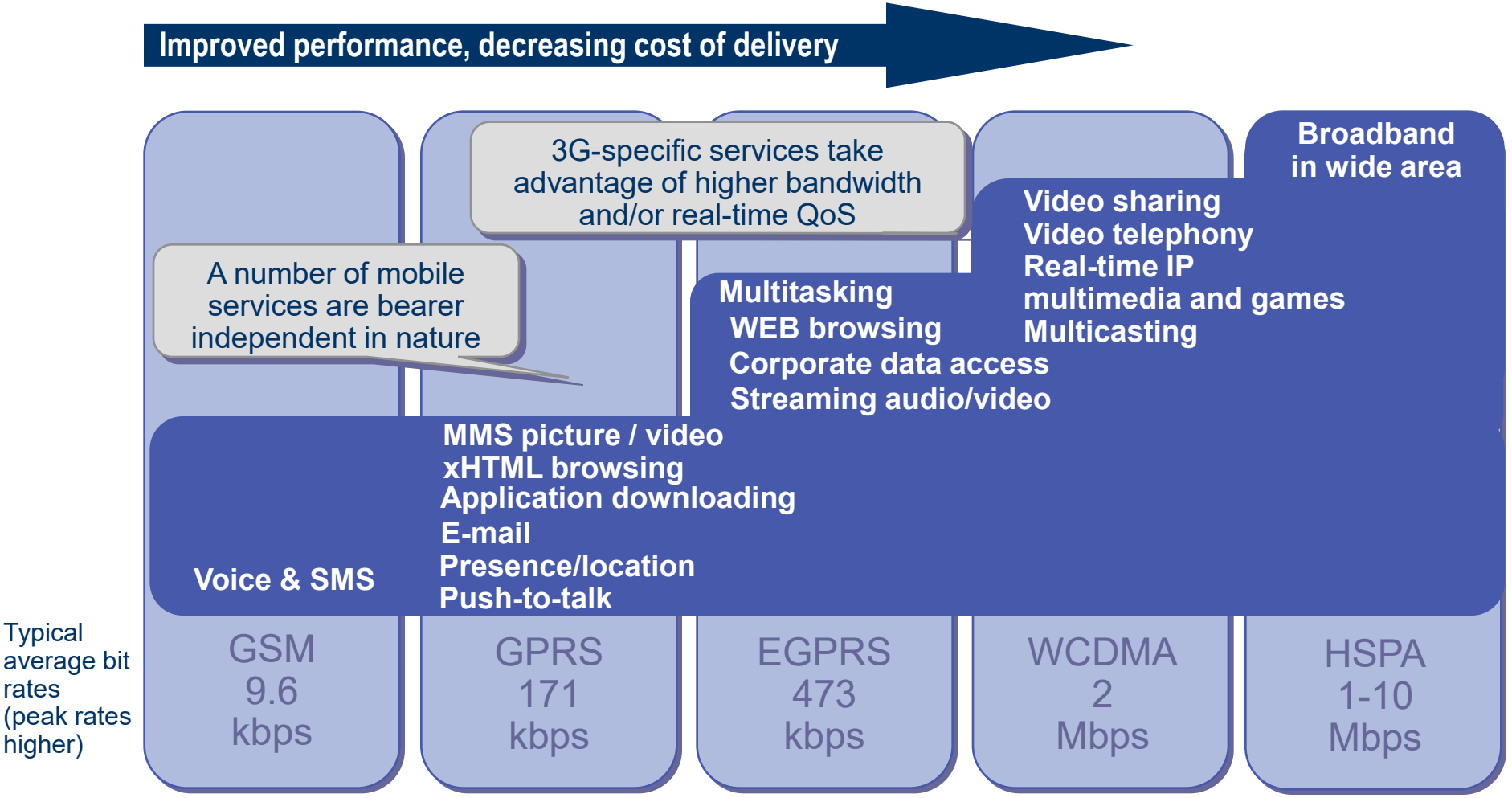
3.5G (HSPA)

High Speed Packet Access (HSPA) is an amalgamation of two mobile telephony protocols, High Speed Downlink Packet Access (HSDPA) and High Speed Uplink Packet Access (HSUPA), that extends and improves the performance of existing WCDMA protocols

3.5G introduces many new features that enhance the UMTS technology. These include:

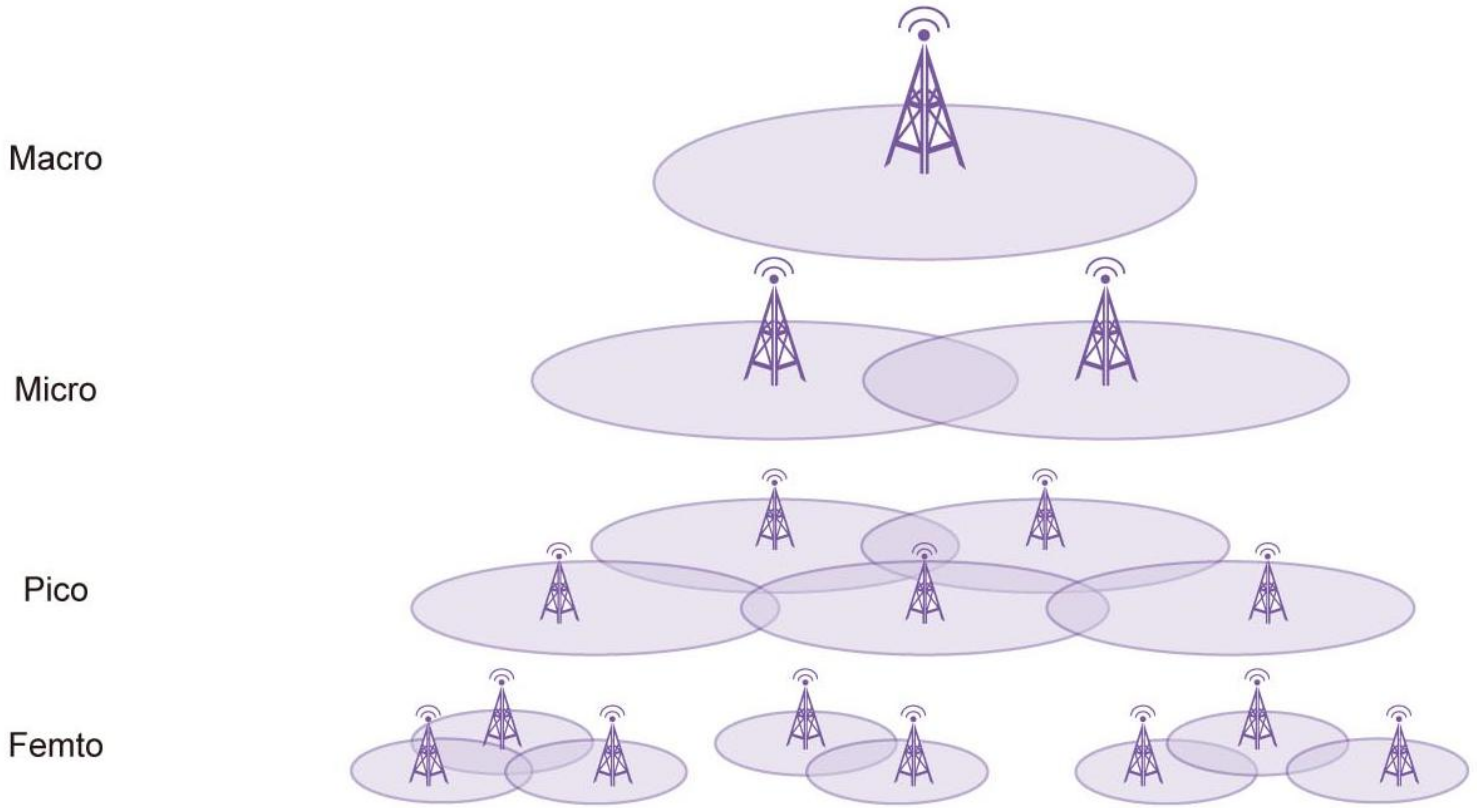
- Adaptive Modulation and Coding
- Fast Scheduling
- Backward compatibility with 3G
- Enhanced Air Interface

Service Roadmap



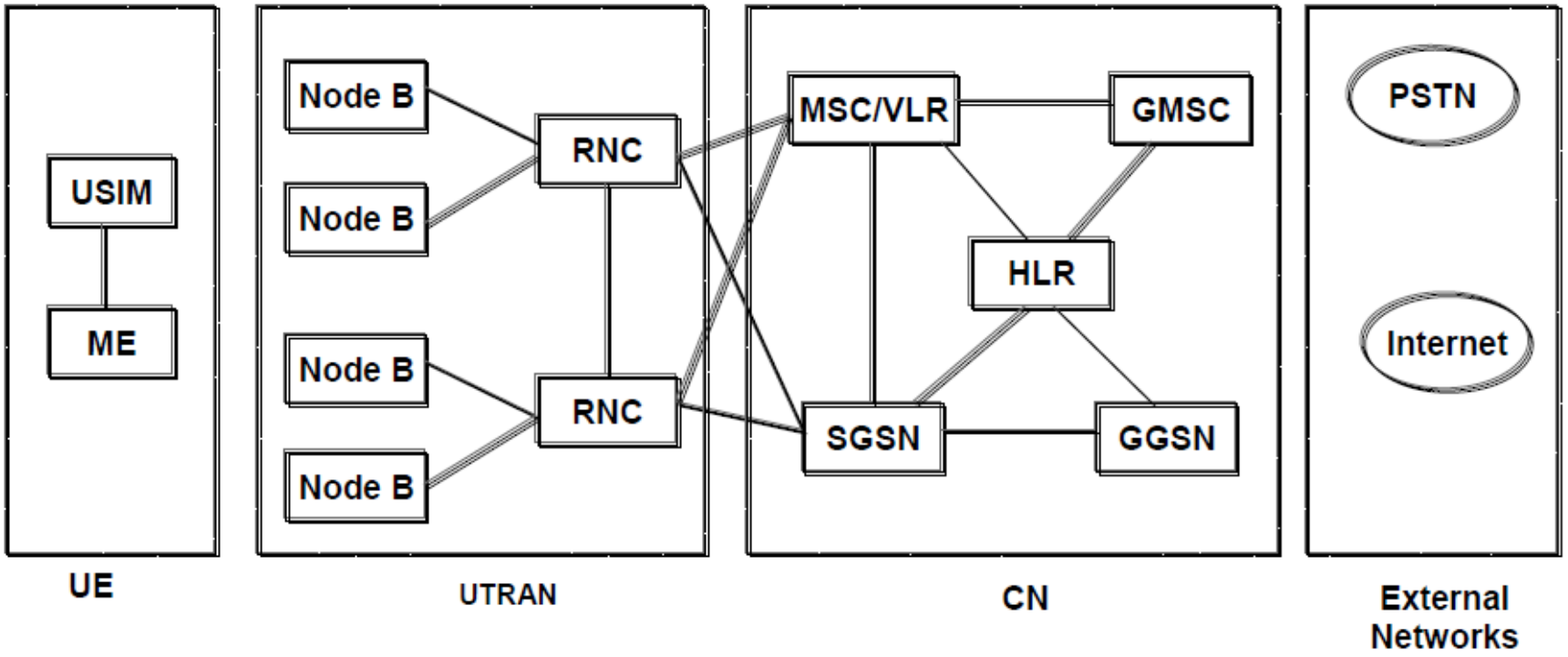
Multi-tier Architecture

One technology



LTE frequency bands

UMTS Architecture



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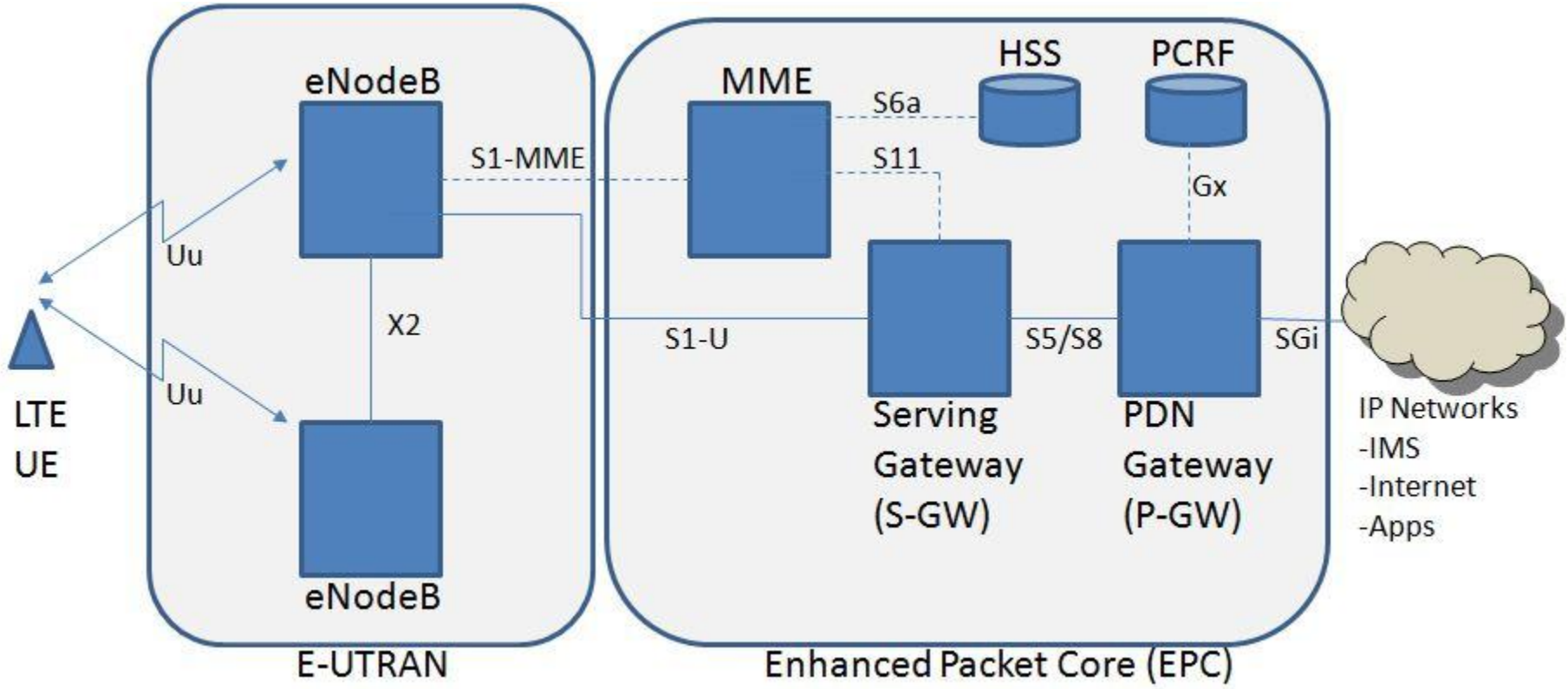


IMT-Advanced

Item	IMT-Advanced
Peak Data Rate (DL)	1 Gbps
Peak Data Rate (UL)	500 Mbps
Spectrum Allocation	>40 MHz
Latency (User Plane)	10 ms
Latency (Control Plane)	100 ms
Peak Spectral Efficiency (DL)	15 bps/Hz (4 X 4)
Peak Spectral Efficiency (UL)	6.75 bps/Hz (2 X 4)
Average Spectral Efficiency (DL)	2.2 bps/Hz (4 X 2)
Average Spectral Efficiency (UL)	1.4 bps/Hz (2 X 4)
Cell-Edge Spectral Efficiency (DL)	0.06 bps/Hz (4 X 2)
Cell-Edge Spectral Efficiency (UL)	0.03 bps/Hz (2 X 4)
Mobility	Up to 350 km/h

Motivation for LTE

- Need for higher data rates and greater spectral efficiency
  - Can be achieved with HSDPA/HSUPA
  - and/or new air interface defined by 3GPP LTE
- Need for Packet Switched optimized system
  - Evolve UMTS towards packet only system
- Need for high quality of services
  - Use of licensed frequencies to guarantee quality of services
  - Always-on experience (reduce control plane latency significantly)
  - Reduce round trip delay
- Need for cheaper infrastructure
  - Simplify architecture, reduce number of network elements

Advantages of LTE

- High network throughput
- Low latency
- Plug & Play architecture
- Low Operating Costs
- All-IP network
- Simplified upgrade path from 3G networks

for Network Operators

- Faster data downloads/uploads
- Improved response for applications
- Improved end-user experience

for End Users

Mobile Network Evolution

1G
AMPS, NMT
TACS

2G
GSM/GPRS/
EDGE
cdmaOne

3G
WCDMA/HSPA+
CDMA2000/EVDO
TD-SCDMA

4G
LTE
LTE-A

1G
Mid 1980s
analog
voice

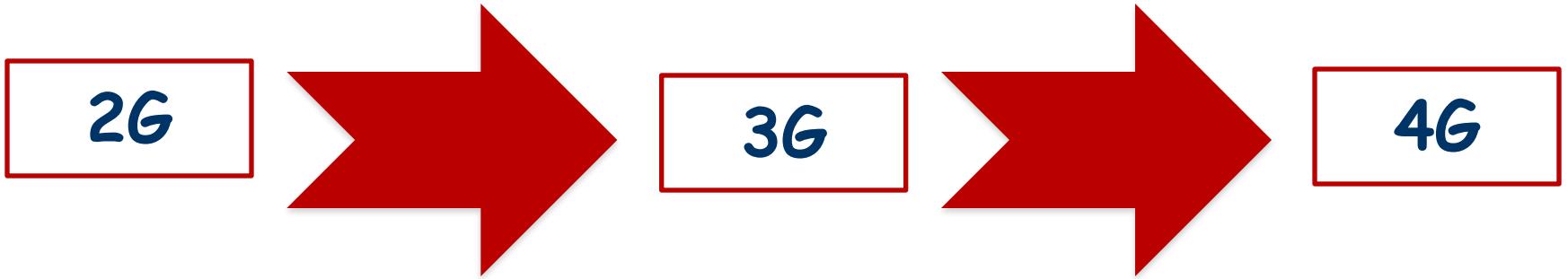
2G
1990s
Digital voice
+ Simple data

3G
2000s
Mobile
broadband

4G
2010s
Mobile Internet
More & faster

5G
2020s

Network Architecture Evolution



- Circuit-switching for voice

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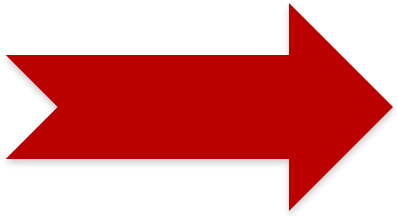
- Packet-switching for data

- Packet-switching for everything
- IP-based

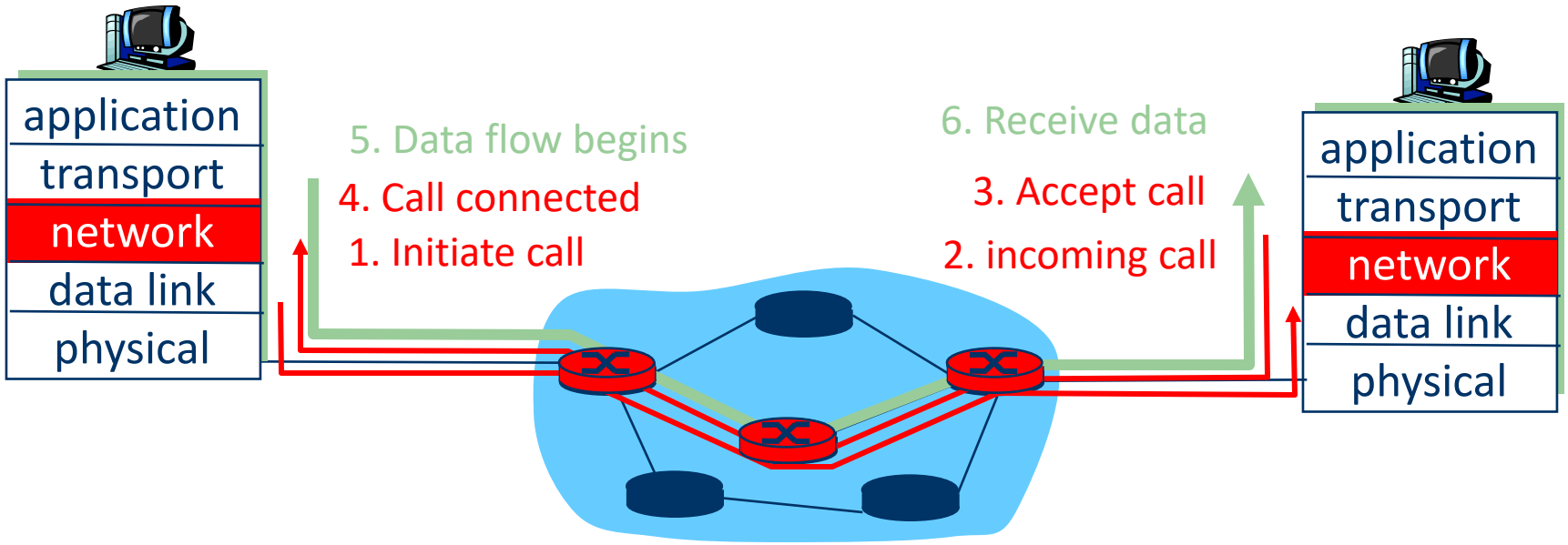
Telecomm Infrastructure



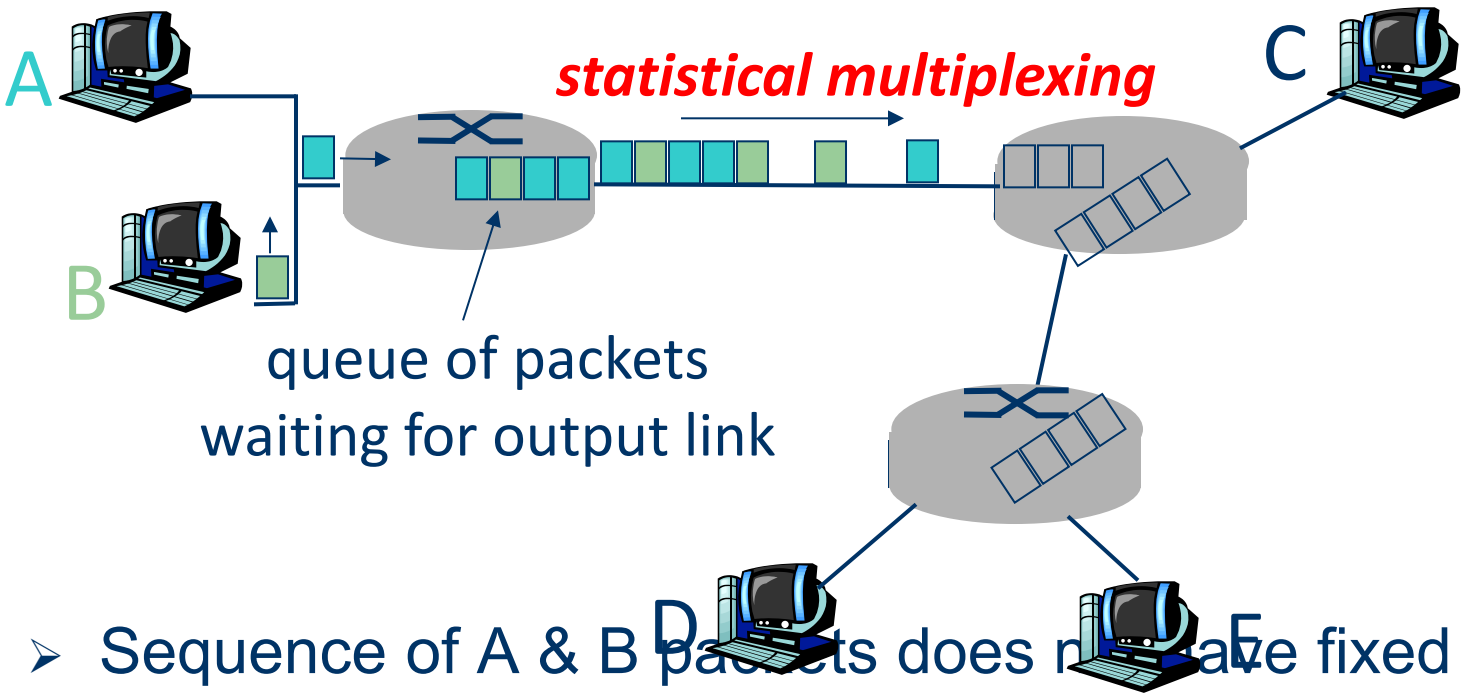
IP-based Internet

CS Signaling

- used to setup, maintain teardown VC
- used in 2G, as well as in 3G
- not used in today's Internet

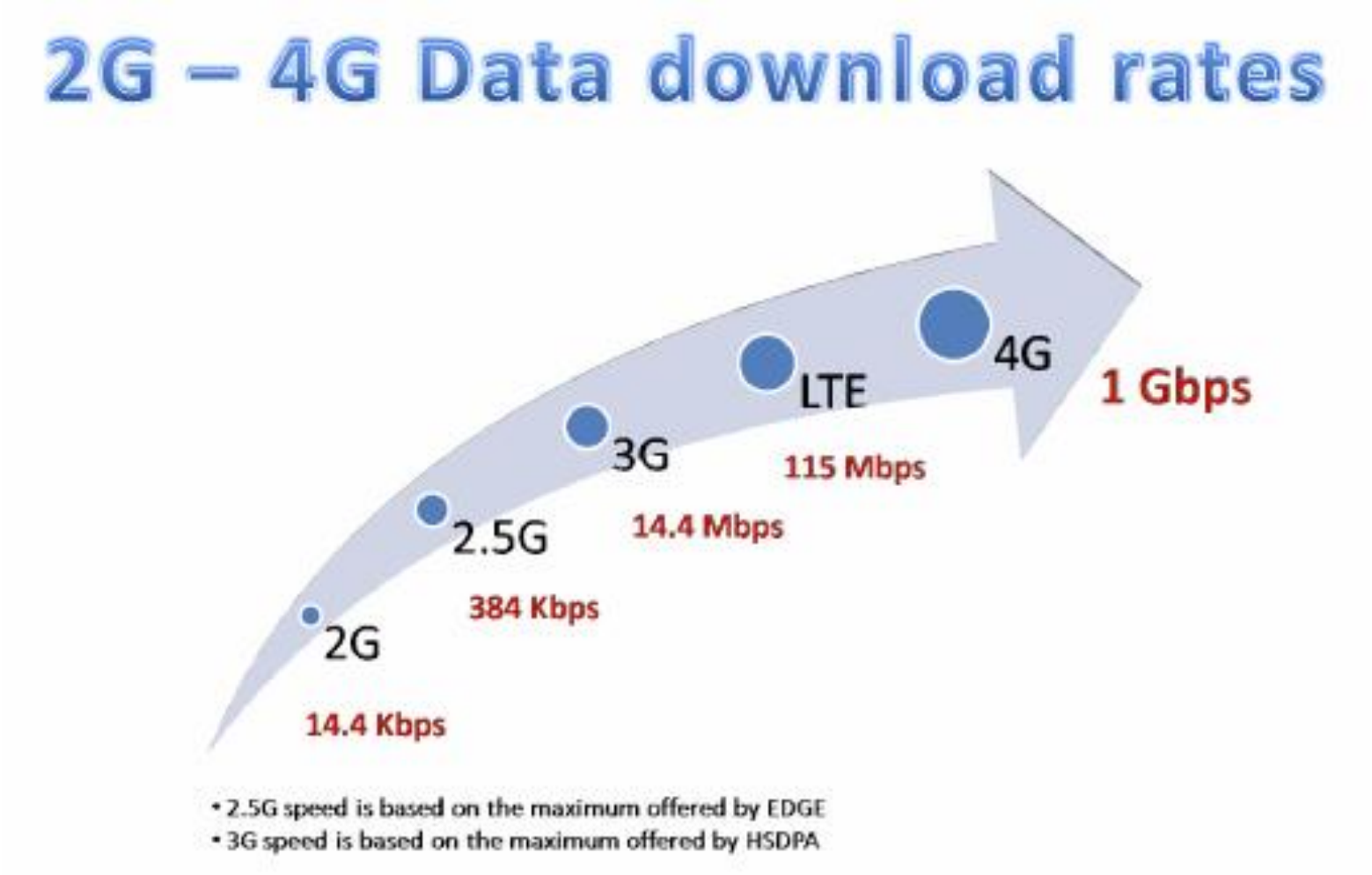


Packet Switching (PS)



- Sequence of A & B packets does not have fixed pattern, bandwidth shared on demand → statistical multiplexing
- Store-and-forward at intermediate routers
- Used by the Internet

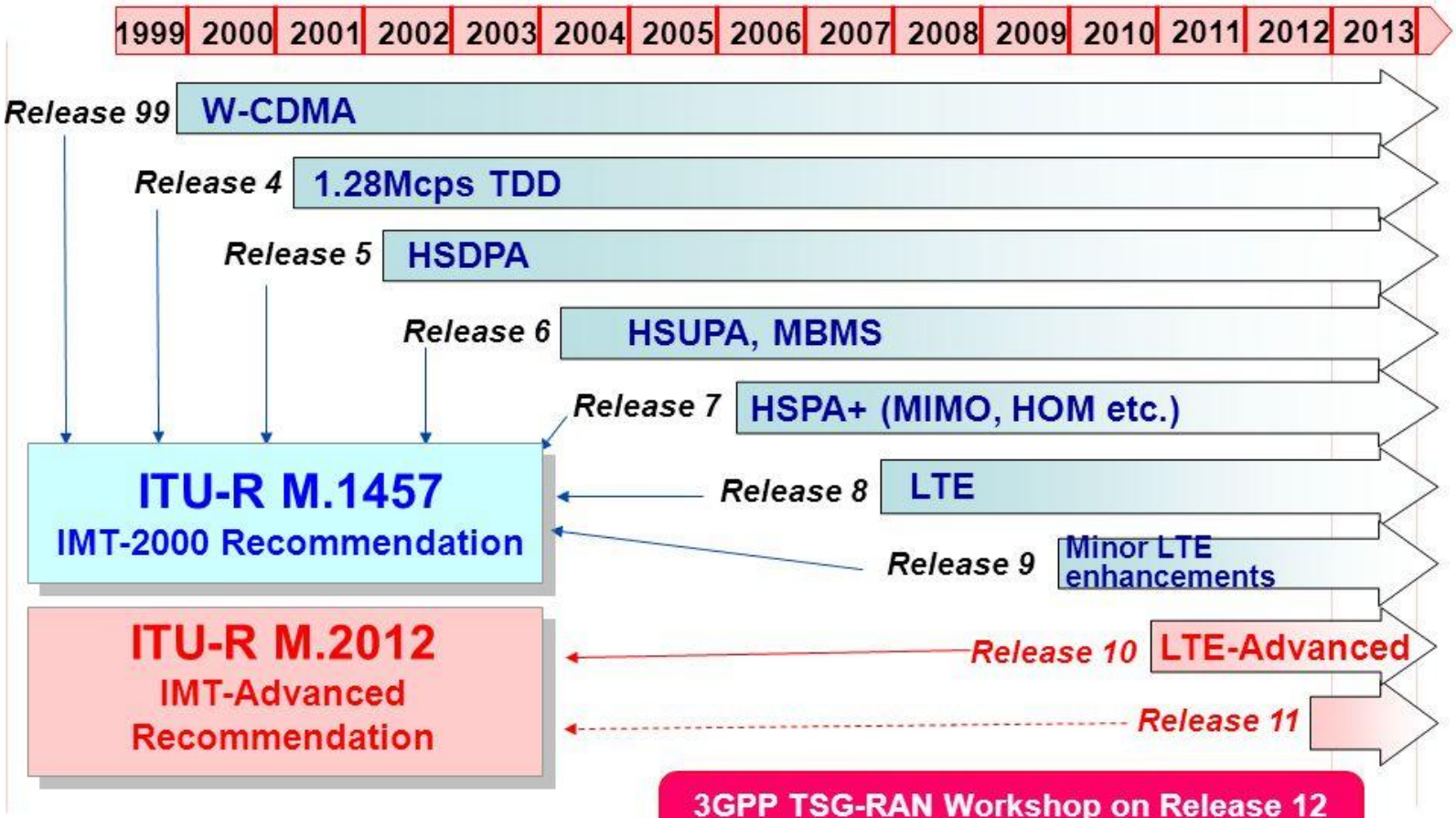
Comparison of LTE Speed



LTE Evolution

- Specification managed by 3GPP organization
  - 3rd Generation Partnership Project
  - UMTS (Universal Mobile Telephone System) Rel 99
  - HSDPA (High Speed Downlink Packet Access) Rel 5
  - HSUPA (High Speed Uplink Packet Access) Rel 6
  - HSPA+ Rel 7, enhancements in Rel 8-10
- New LTE specification in Release 8-9
- LTE-A in Release 10

Release of 3GPP specifications



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	WCDMA (UMTS)	HSPA HSDPA / HSUPA	HSPA+	LTE	LTE ADVANCED (IMT ADVANCED)
Max downlink speed (bps)	384k	14 M	28 M	100 M	1 G
Max uplink speed (bps)	128 k	5.7 M	11 M	50 M	500 M
Latency round trip time (approx.)	150 ms	100 ms	50 ms (max)	~10 ms	Less than 5 ms
3GPP releases	Rel 99/4	Rel 5/6	Rel 7	Rel 8/9	Rel 10
Approx years of initial roll out	2003/4	2005/6 HSDPA 2007/8 HSUPA	2008/9	2009/10	
Access methodology	CDMA	CDMA	CDMA	OFDMA/SC-FDMA	OFDMA/SC-FDMA

LTE performance requirements

- Data Rate:
  - Instantaneous downlink peak data rate of 100Mbit/s in a 20MHz downlink spectrum (i.e. 5 bit/s/Hz)
  - Instantaneous uplink peak data rate of 50Mbit/s in a 20MHz uplink spectrum (i.e. 2.5 bit/s/Hz)
- Cell range
  - 5 km - optimal size
  - 30km sizes with reasonable performance
  - up to 100 km cell sizes supported with acceptable performance
- Cell capacity
  - up to 200 active users per cell(5 MHz) (i.e., 200 active data clients)

Key parameters of LTE

Frequency Range	**UMTS FDD bands and UMTS TDD bands**					
Channel bandwidth 1 Resource Block (RB) =180 kHz	**1.4 MHz**	**3 MHz**	**5 MHz**	**10 MHz**	**15 MHz**	**20 MHz**
	6 RB	15 RB	25 RB	50 RB	75 RB	100 RB
Modulation Schemes	**Downlink**	QPSK, 16QAM, 64QAM				
	Uplink	QPSK, 16QAM, 64QAM (⇨ optional for handset)				
Multiple Access	**Downlink**	OFDMA (Orthogonal Frequency Division Multiple Access)				
	Uplink	SC-FDMA (Single Carrier Frequency Division Multiple Access)				
MIMO technology	**Downlink**	Wide choice of MIMO configuration options for transmit diversity, spatial multiplexing, and cyclic delay diversity (max. 4 antennas at base station and handset)				
	Uplink	Multi-user collaborative MIMO				
Peak Data Rate	**Downlink**	150 Mbps (UE category 4, 2x2 MIMO, 20 MHz) 300 Mbps (UE category 5, 4x4 MIMO, 20 MHz)				
	Uplink	75 Mbps (20 MHz)				

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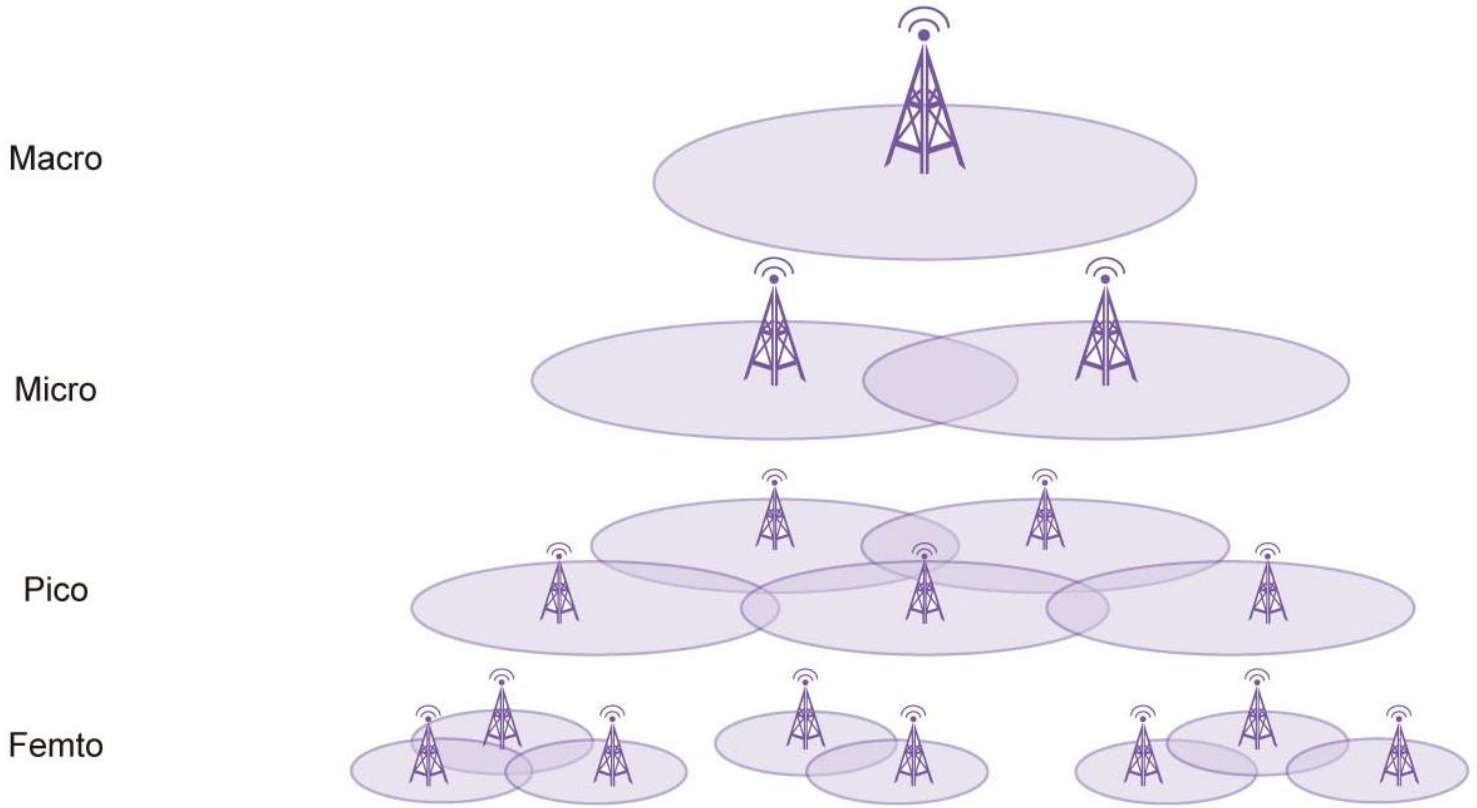

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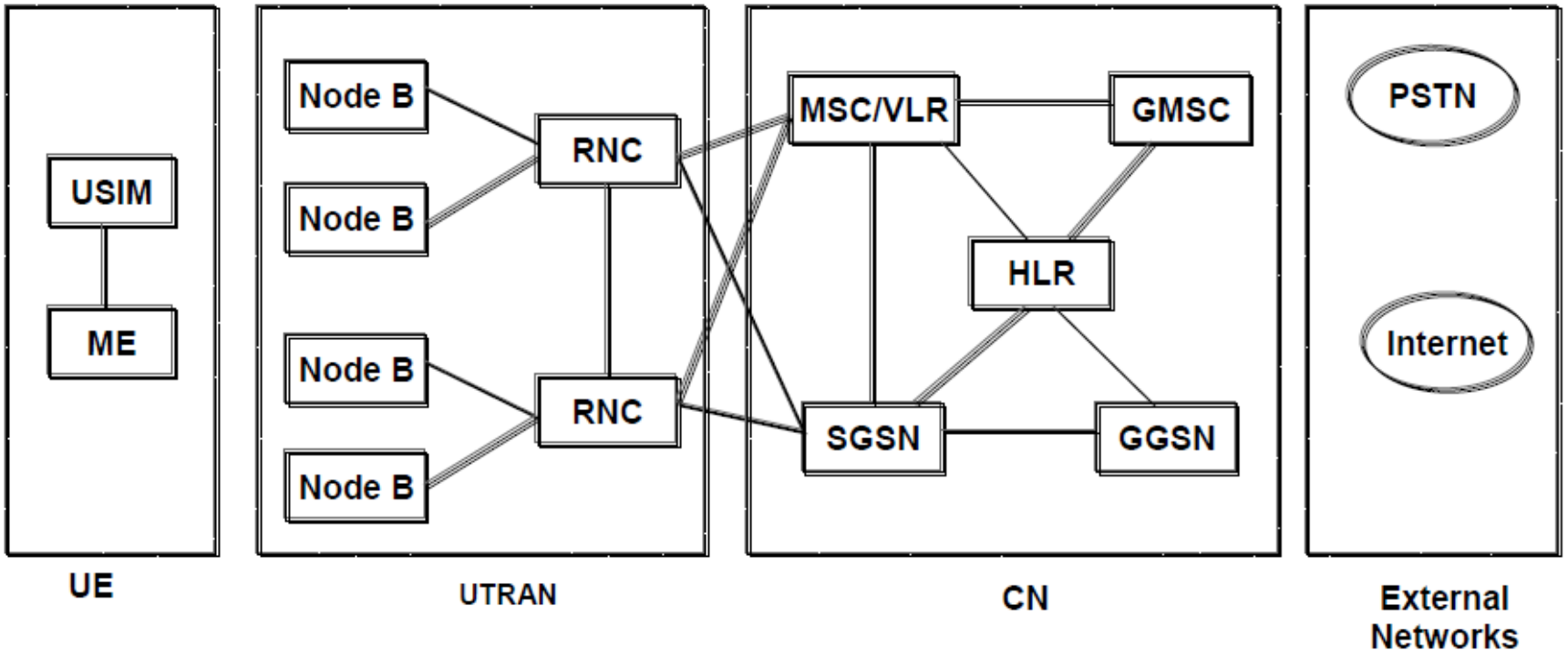

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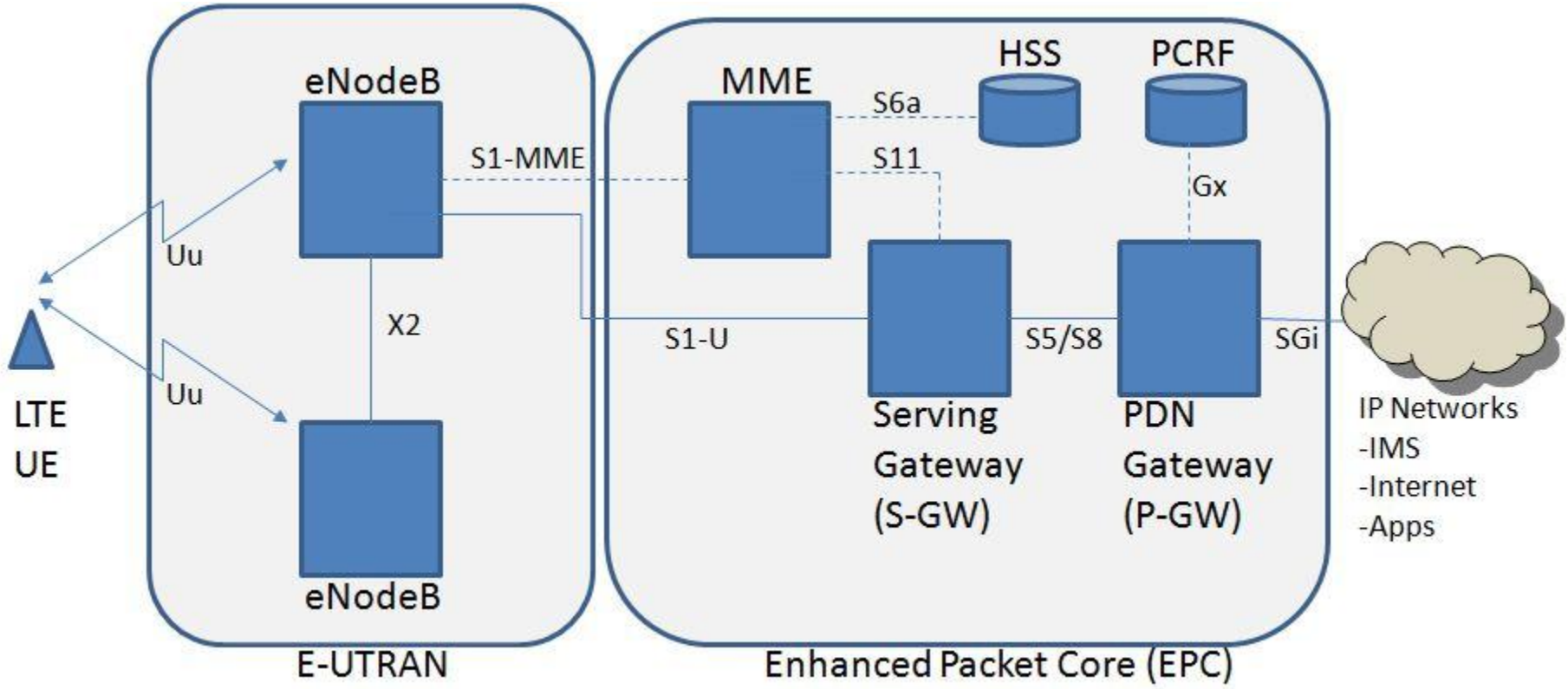

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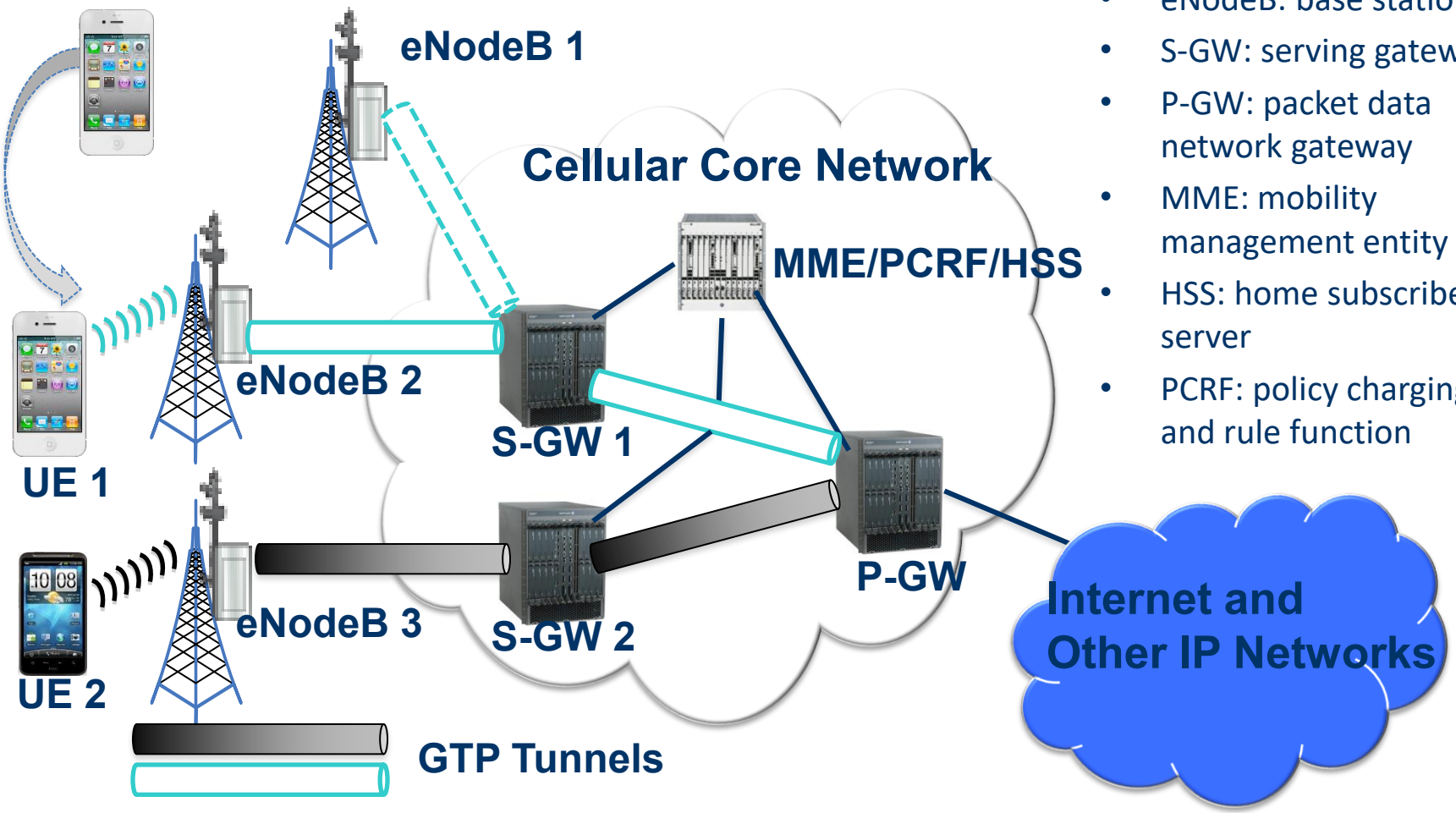
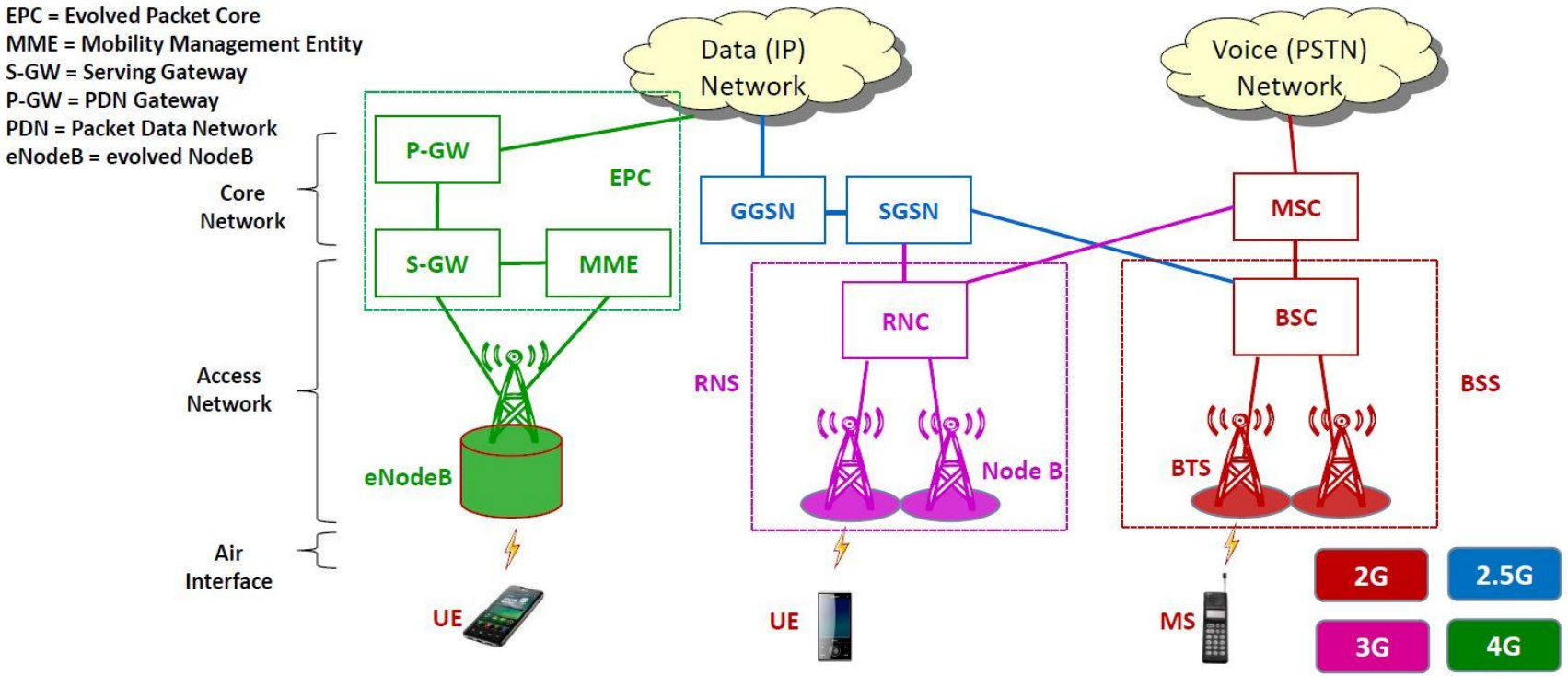


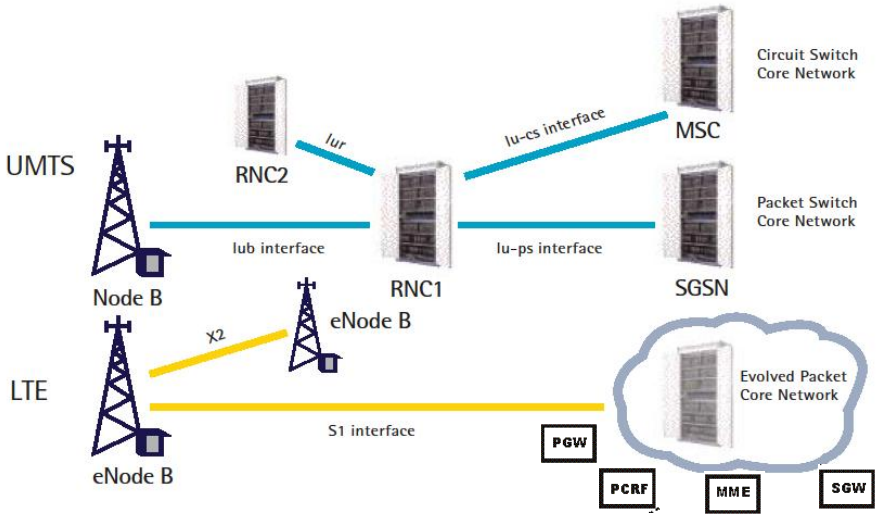
- UE: user equipment
- eNodeB: base station
- S-GW: serving gateway
- P-GW: packet data network gateway
- MME: mobility management entity
- HSS: home subscriber server
- PCRF: policy charging and rule function

Architectural evolution



UMTS->LTE Migration

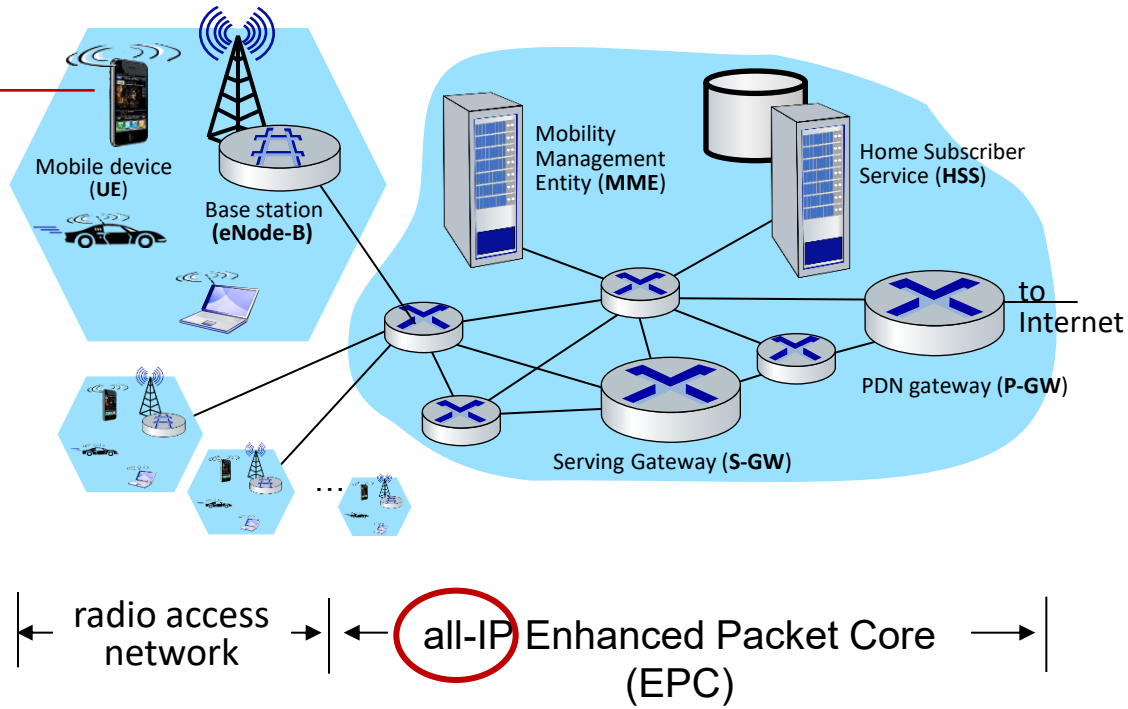
- LTE RAN agreed on the following
  - Packet bearer support
    - Real Time
    - Conversational
  - Reduce the number of the new interfaces
    - NO RNC
    - NO CS-CN
  - Reduce the single point of failure
    - NO RNC
  - Separate the treatment of different types of traffic (O&M, Control and Data) to utilize the BW
  - Reduce the variable delay and Jitter (TCP/IP)
  - Agreed QOS between Transmitting end and receiving end
  - No SHO or Macro diversity
  - MIMO and Tx diversity techniques used



Elements of 4G LTE architecture

Mobile device:

- smartphone, tablet, laptop, IoT, ... with 4G LTE radio
- 64-bit International Mobile Subscriber Identity (IMSI), stored on SIM (Subscriber Identity Module) card
- LTE jargon: User Equipment (UE)



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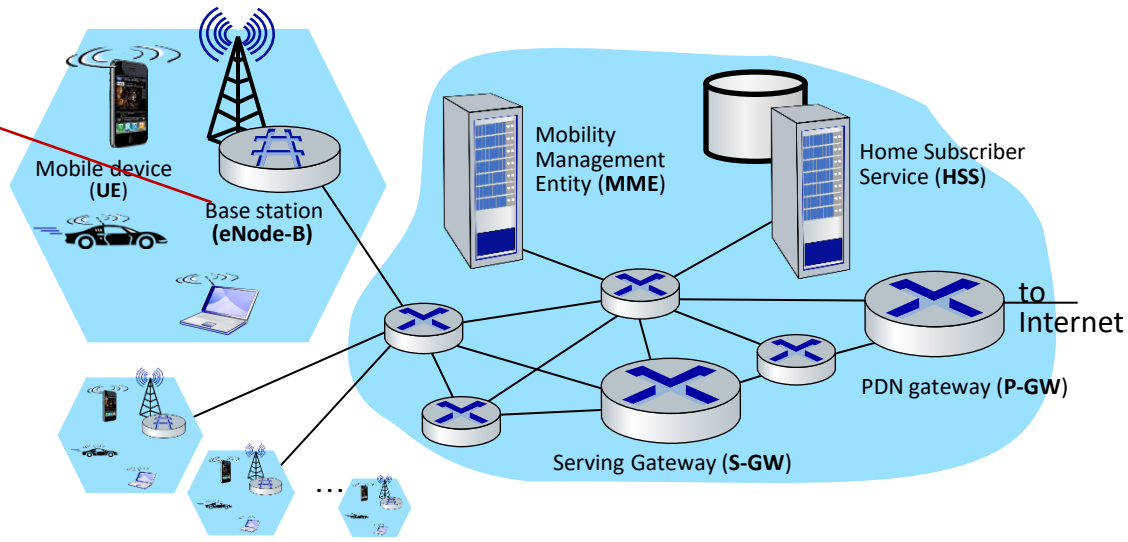
Base station:

- at “edge” of carrier’s network
- manages wireless radio resources, mobile devices in its coverage area (“cell”)
- coordinates device authentication with other elements
- similar to WiFi AP but:
  - active role in user mobility
  - coordinates with nearly base stations to optimize radio use
- LTE jargon: eNode-B



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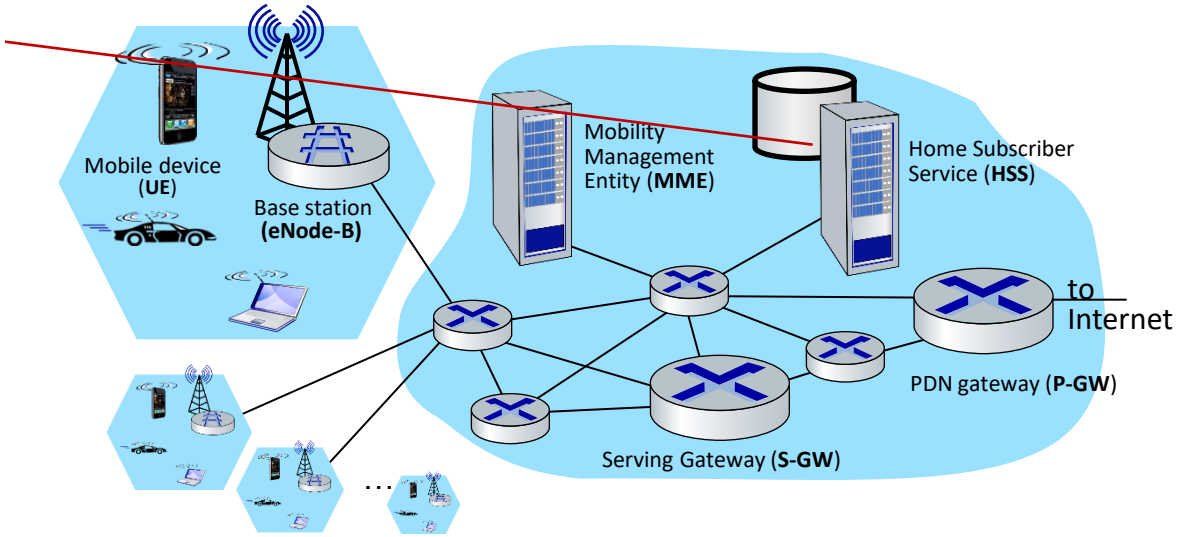
Home Subscriber Service

- stores info about mobile devices for which the HSS's network is their "home network"
- works with MME in device authentication



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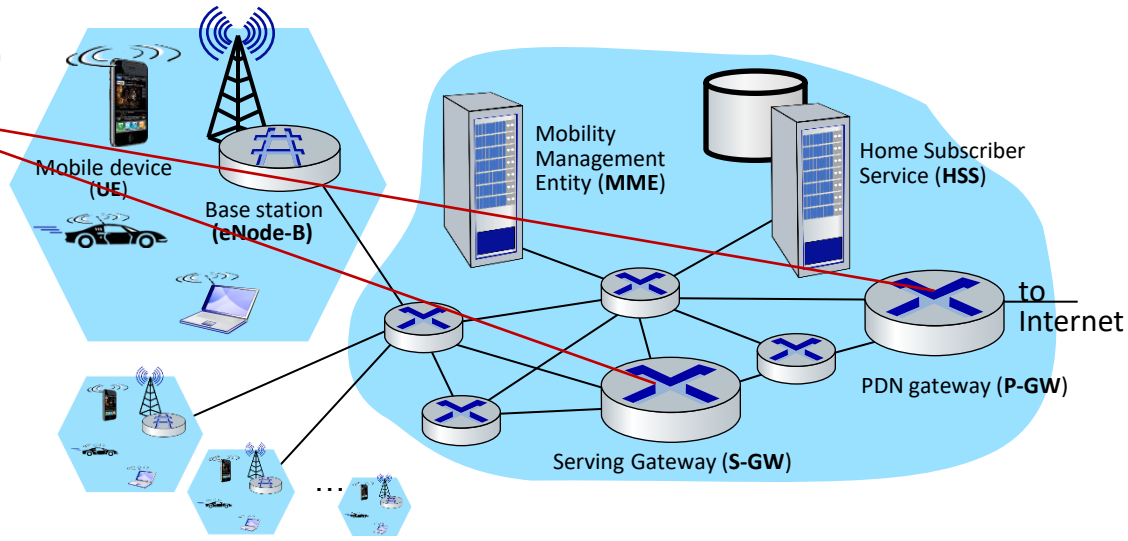
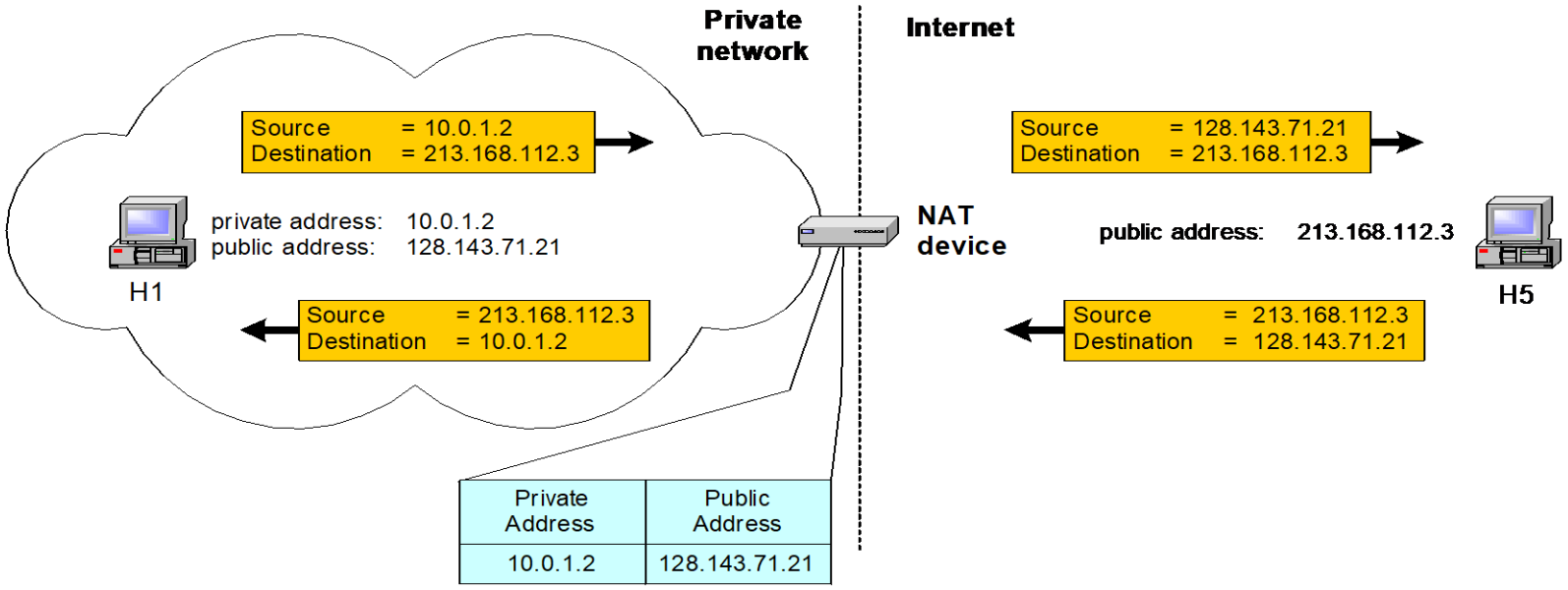
Serving Gateway (S-GW), PDN Gateway (P-GW)

- lie on data path from mobile to/from Internet
- P-GW
  - gateway to mobile cellular network
  - Looks like any other internet gateway router
  - provides NAT services
- other routers:
  - extensive use of tunneling



Basic operation of NAT (Network Address Translation)



- NAT device has address translation table