

5G Evolution and 6G On the verge of 6G



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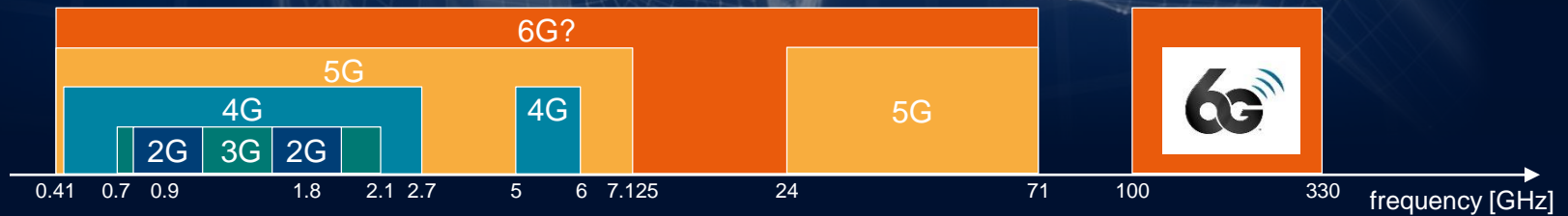
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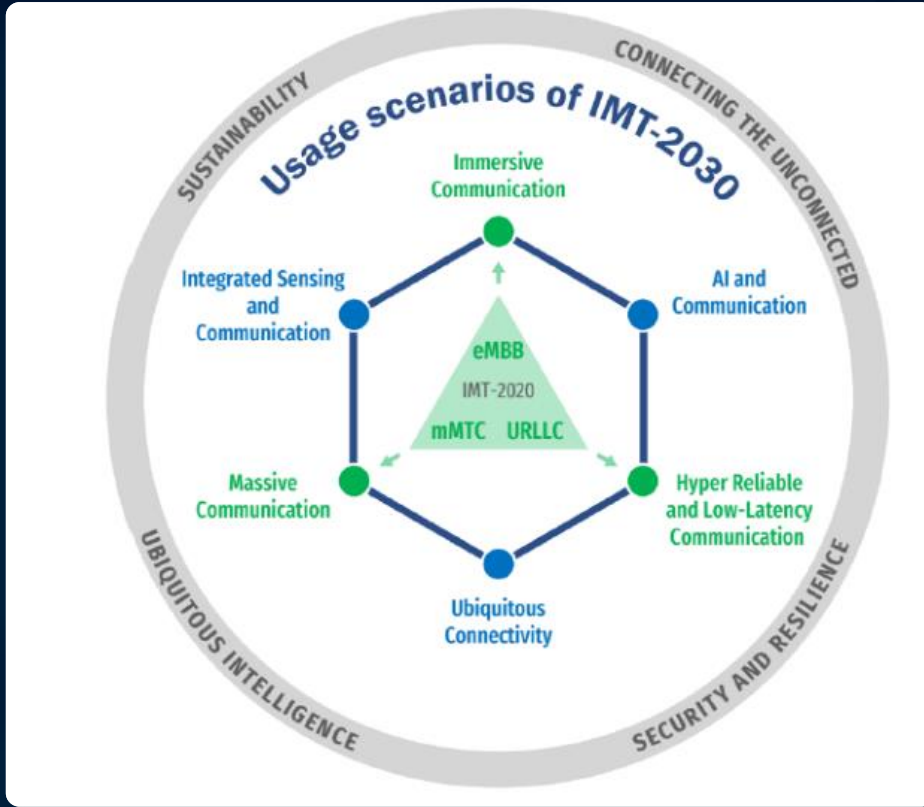
FROM 5G TO 6G

FIRST, SOME OBSERVATIONS...

Application richness,
Complexity & Efficiency



IMT-2030 capabilities and usage scenarios



IMMERSIVE COMMUNICATIONS WHAT DO WE NEED? NEW TYPE OF DEVICE?!?

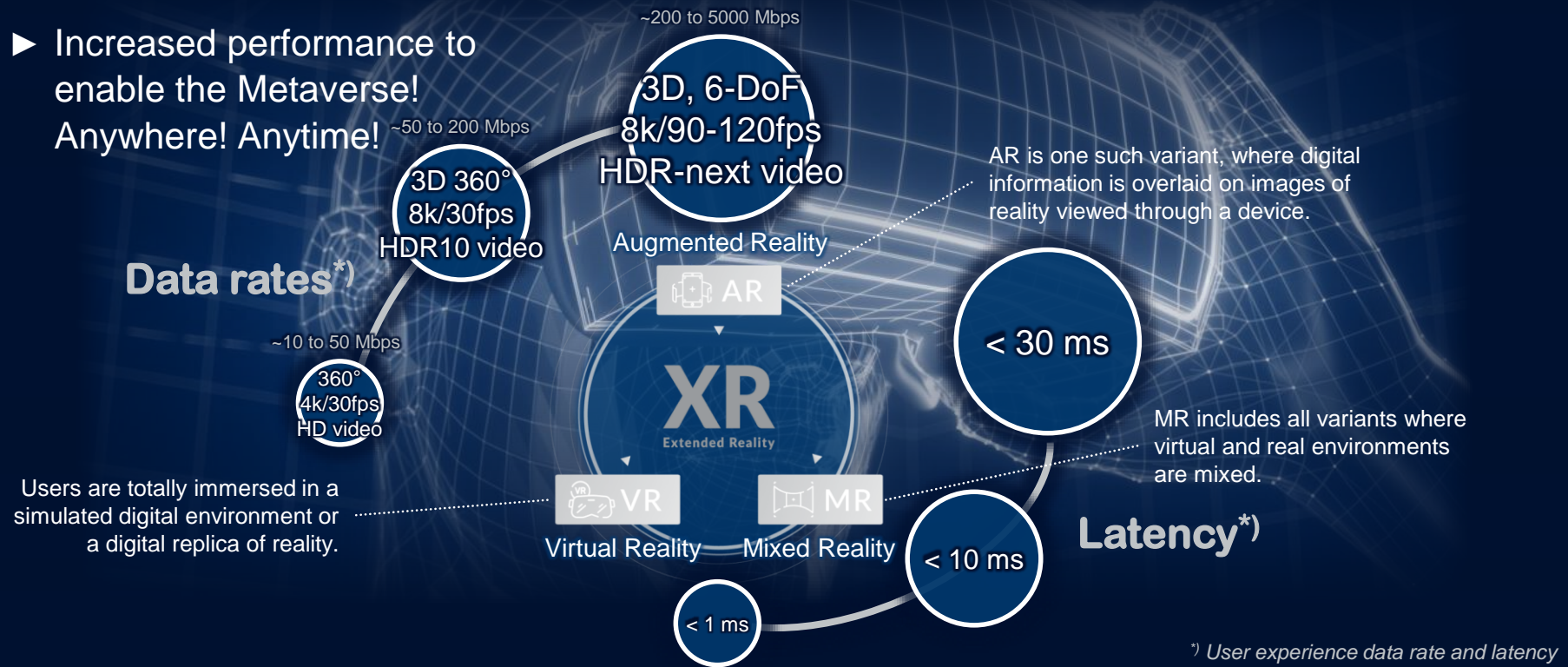
“A hologram display over a mobile device (one micrometer pixel size on a 6.7-inch display, i.e., 11.1 Gigapixel) form-factor requires at least 0.58 Tbps.”

Source: [Samsung 6G White Paper](#)



CONTINUING THE THOUGHT EXPERIMENT: WHAT KPI'S ?

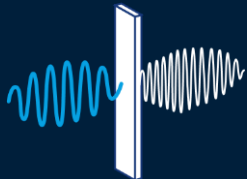
- ▶ Increased performance to enable the Metaverse! Anywhere! Anytime!



*) User experience data rate and latency

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THz communication,
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Joint communication
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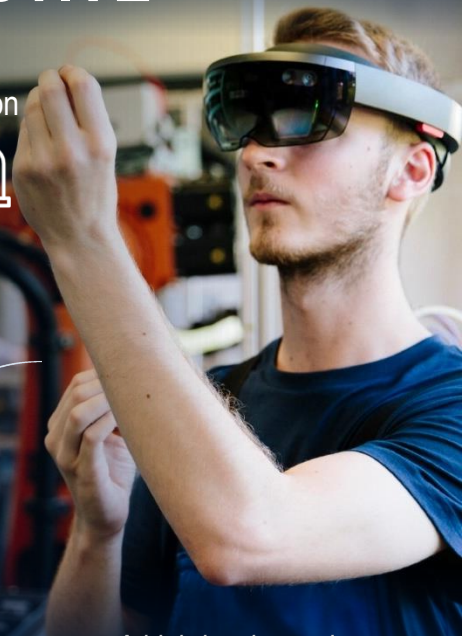
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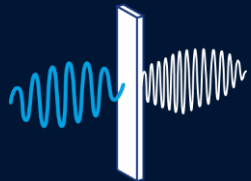
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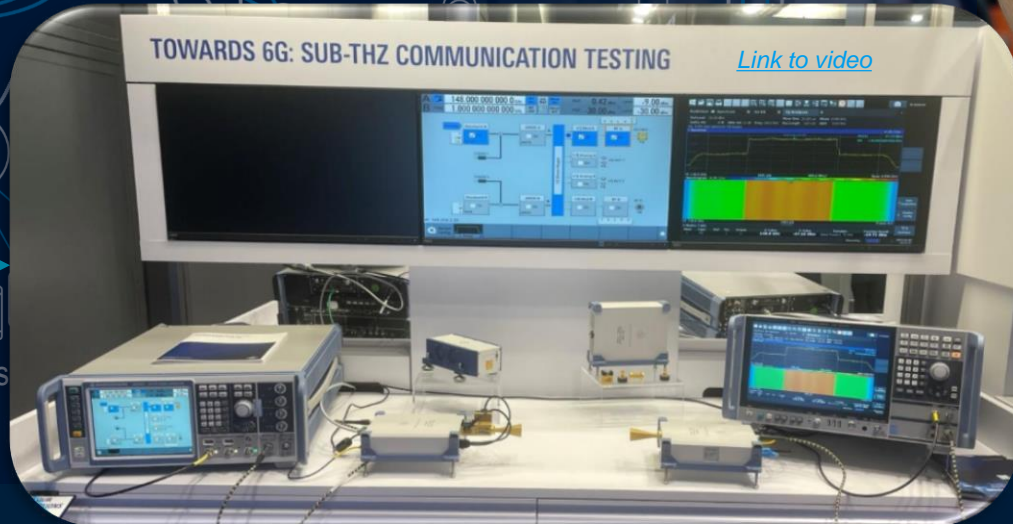
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5G-enabled AR-animated call

Rendered on Cloud-XR-server



Cloud XR Server

IP connection



R&S@CMX500
5G One Box Signaling Tester

5G connection to Motorola Edge smartphone



R&S@ATS1800C
RF shield box

USB-C connection



XR Client App

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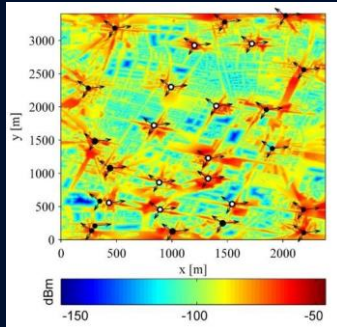
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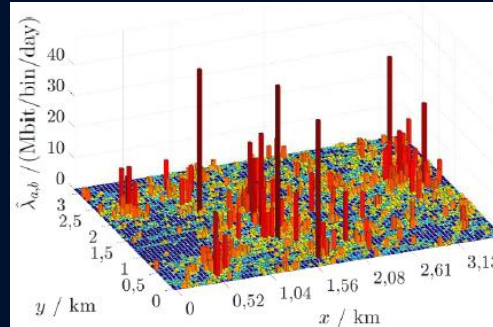
Continuing the thought experiment: Enabling the metaverse! Anywhere, anytime! – but How?

- ▶ We need a more adaptive Physical layer! And why is that required?

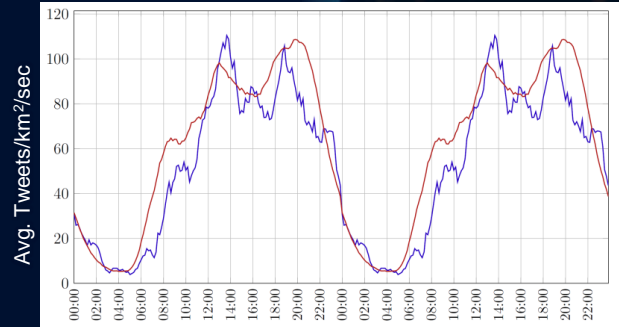
Non-uniform cell coverage*)



Non-uniform user distribution*)



Non-uniform data usage over time*)



- ▶ The change of access scheme goes along with another observation when switching “G’s” – We typically change the PHY from an odd to an even “G”:
 - 1G to 2G → analog to digital
 - 3G to 4G → TDMA/FDMA/CDMA to OFDMA
 - 5G to 6G → OFDMA to ???

*) 6G-ANNA research project, Ahmad Nimr, et al, “Gearbox PHY – Flexible HW/SW architecture

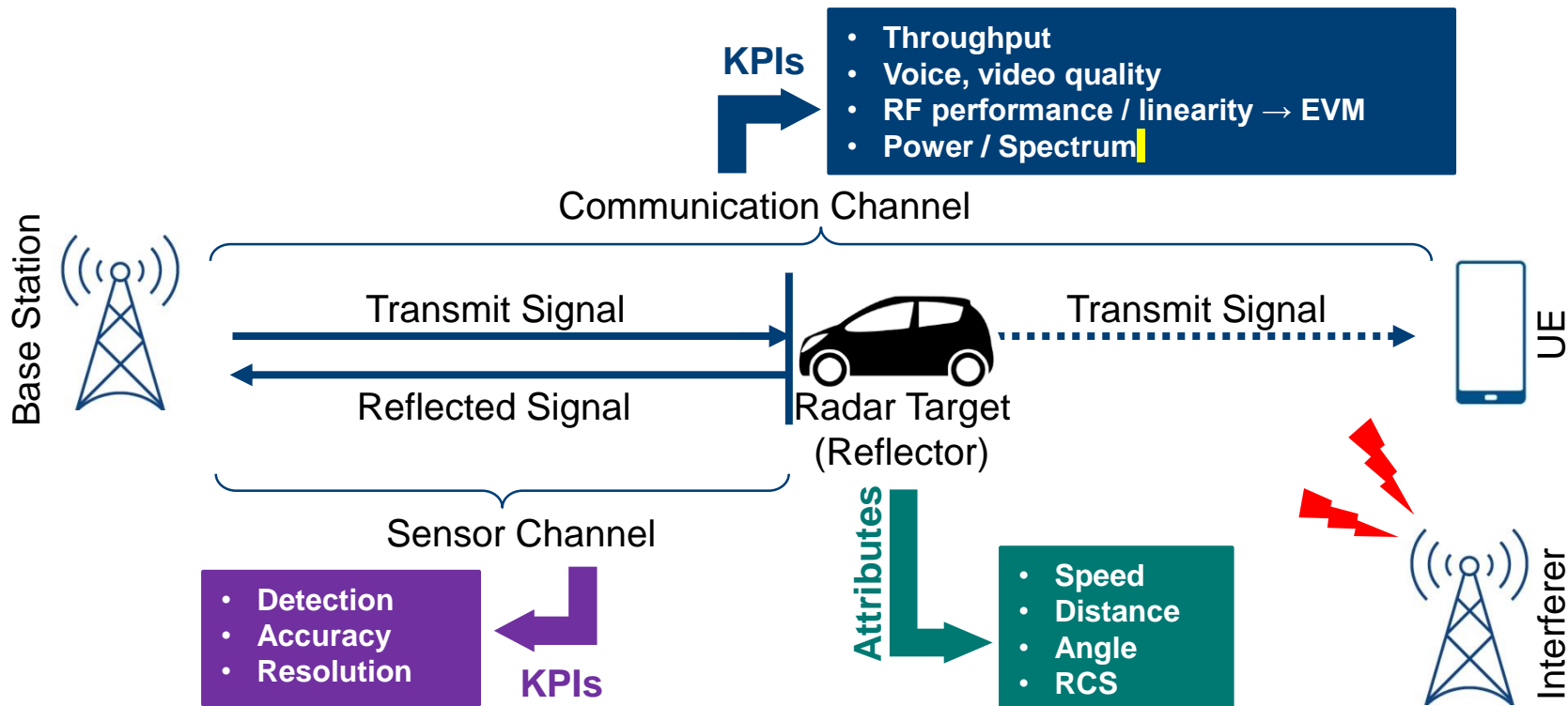


JOINT COMMUNICATION AND SENSING (JCAS) USE CASE EXAMPLES



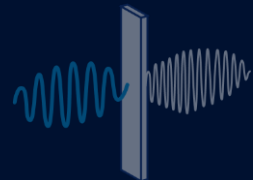
JOINT COMMUNICATION AND SENSING

DIFFERENCES IN PERFORMANCE INDICATION



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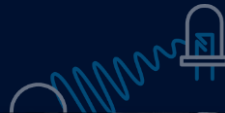
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TOWARDS 6G: JOINT COMMUNICATION & SENSING



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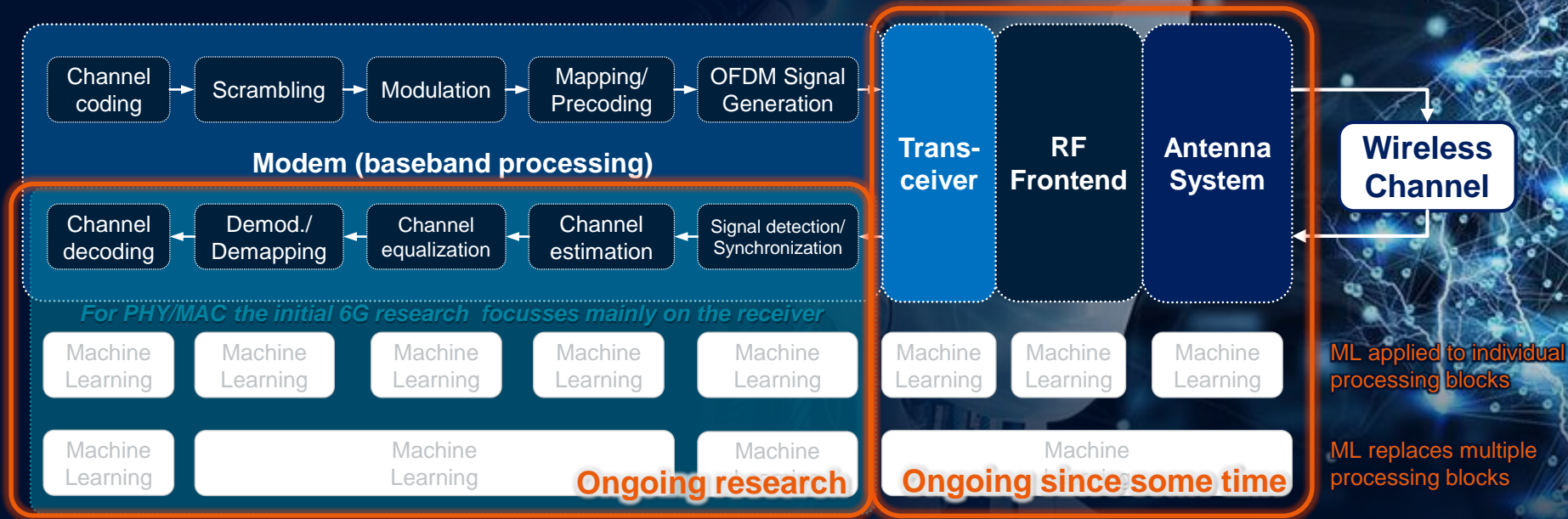


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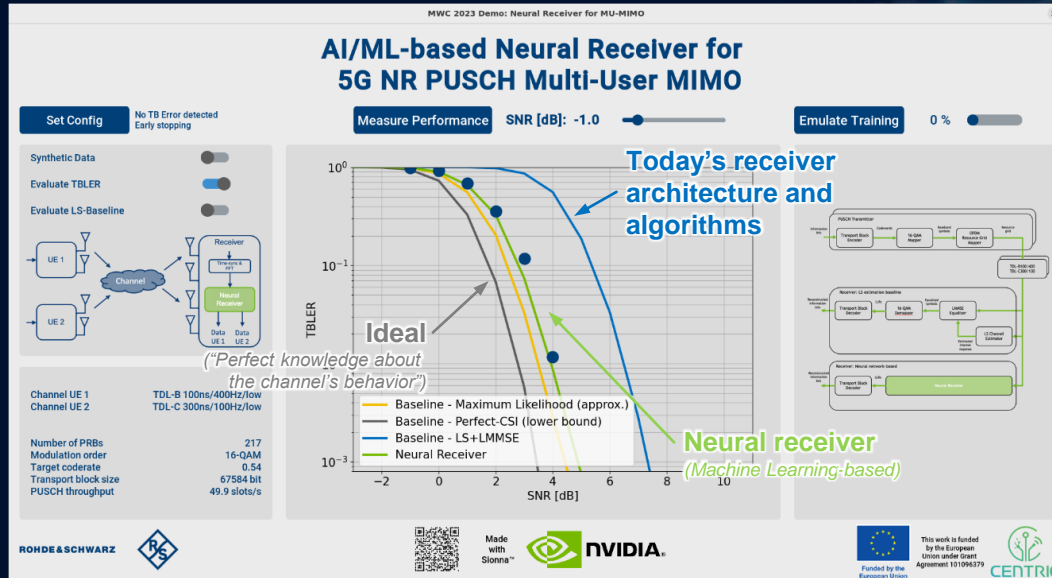
So what potentially comes next? AI-native air interface for 6G?!

CAN MACHINE LEARNING SUPPORT, EVENTUALLY REPLACE, TODAY'S SIGNAL PROCESSING ALGORITHMS?

► Initial research and experiments state, "It can!" – How can we initially prove this?

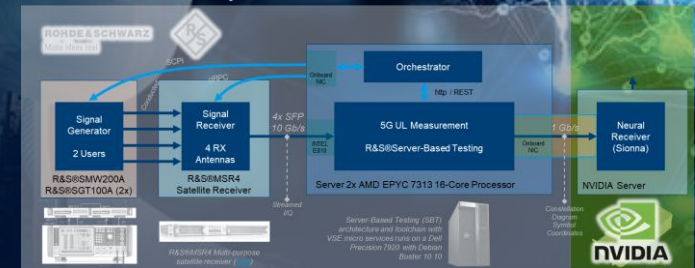


MACHINE LEARNING BASED SIGNAL PROCESSING HAS THE POTENTIAL TO IMPROVE TODAY'S PERFORMANCE



Demoed @ MWC GSMA

Hardware setup



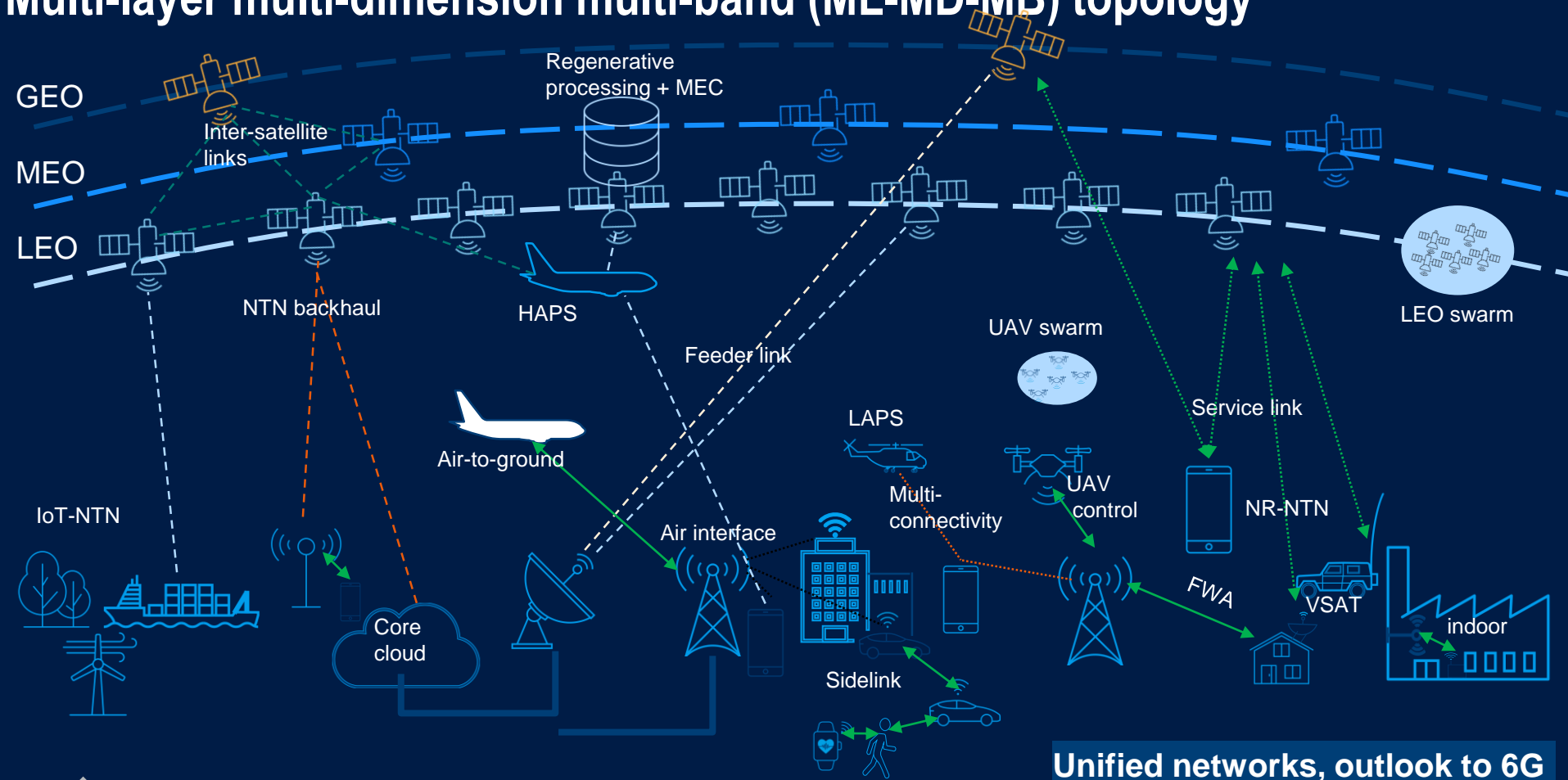
AI-NATIVE AIR INTERFACE FOR 6G? WE ARE ONLY AT THE BEGINNING!

**First
promising
results**

**Several research
projects investigate
the remaining non-
trivial challenges**

**Rohde &
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continue to
provide its
expertise**

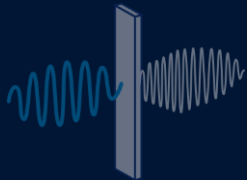
Multi-layer multi-dimension multi-band (ML-MD-MB) topology



Unified networks, outlook to 6G

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ADJUST THE CHANNEL – ALONG WITH THE SIGNAL

$$\mathbf{r}(t) = \mathbf{h}(t)\mathbf{s}(t) + \mathbf{n}(t)$$

- ▶ The classical approach to maximize reception quality:
 - Adapt $\mathbf{s}(t)$ transmission scheme to target channel $\mathbf{h}(t)$, e.g., CP-OFDM for the multipath channel, carrier frequency, and bandwidth, pre-coding/equalization, modulation and coding schemes, etc.
- ▶ IRS offers an adaptation of channel $\mathbf{h}(t)$ to maximize reception quality.

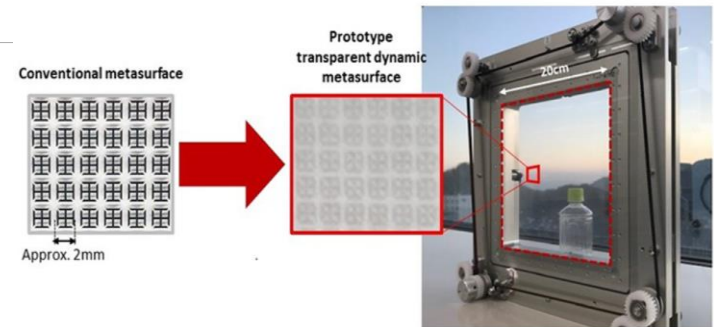
Press Release

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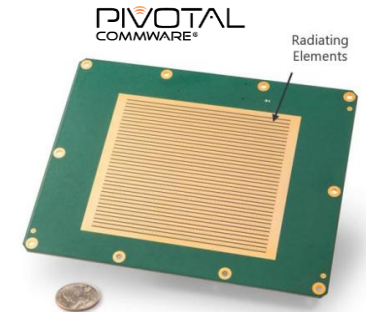
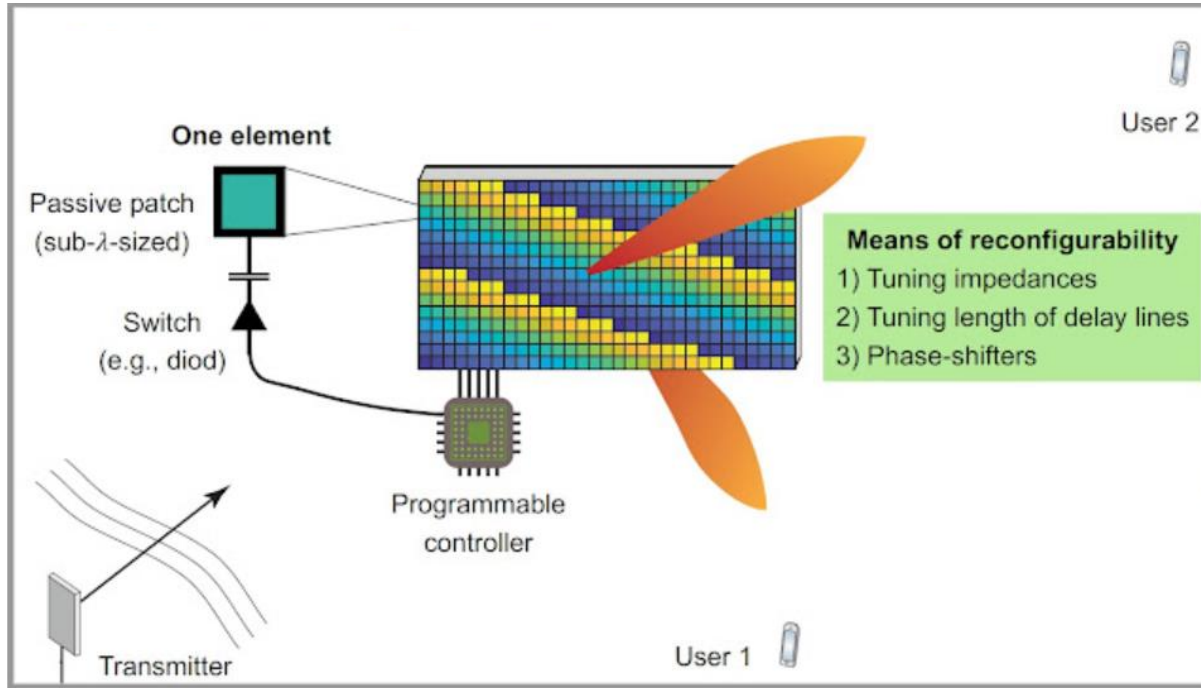
DOCOMO Conducts World's First Successful Trial of Transparent Dynamic Metasurface

— Dynamic wave manipulation and high transparency expected to optimize 5G network construction —



INTELLIGENT REFLECTING SURFACES

OPERATION IN A NUTSHELL



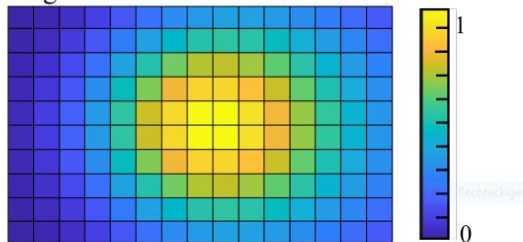
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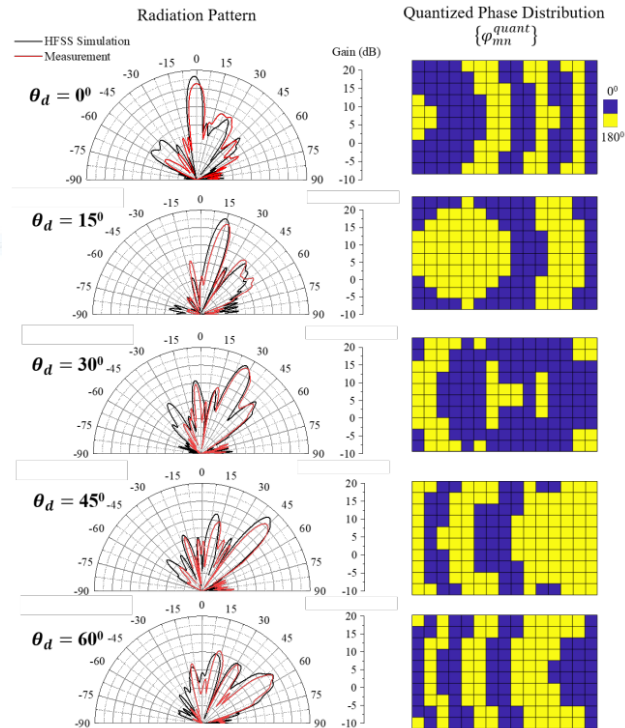
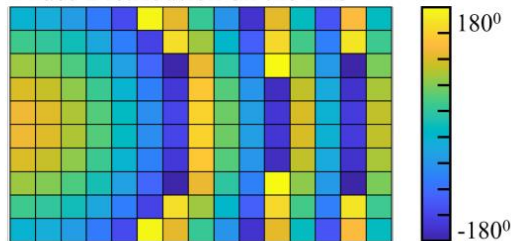
DESIGN AND EVALUATION



Magnitude Distribution on the RIS



Phase Distribution on the RIS

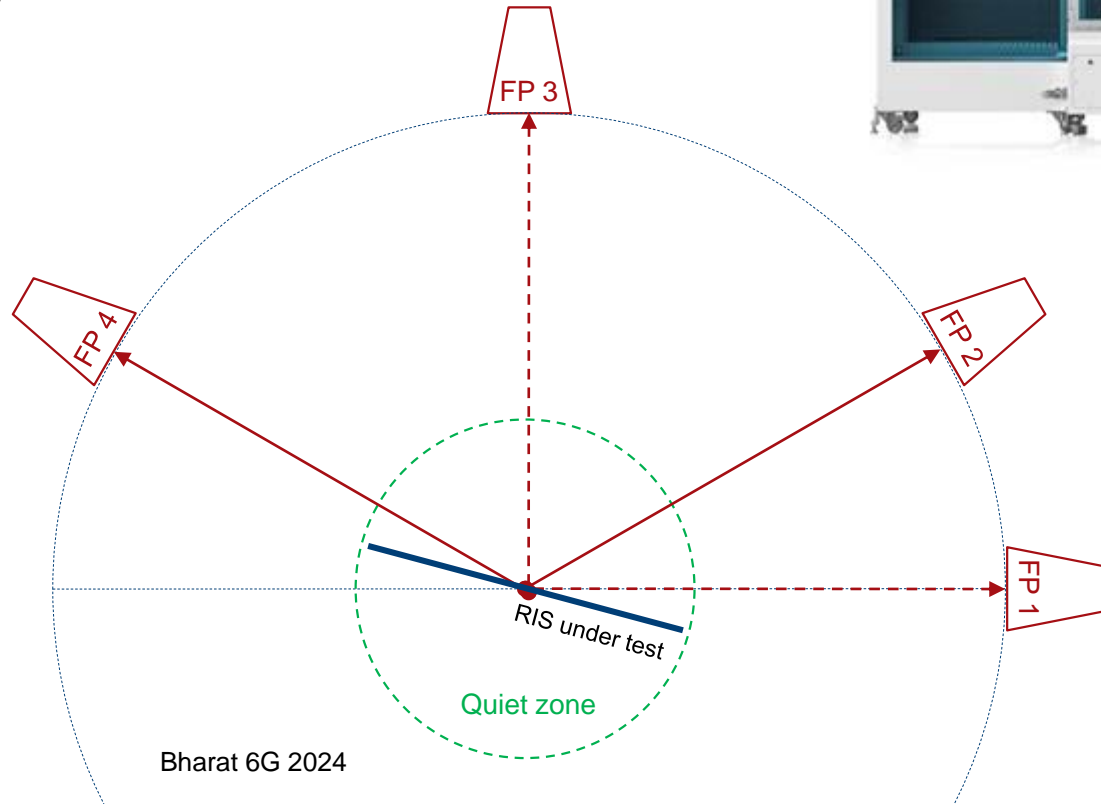


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MULTI-ANGLE IRS ASSESSMENT SETUP

FP* = Feed or Probe

FP	Angle
FP1	0°
FP2	30°
FP3	90°
FP4	150°

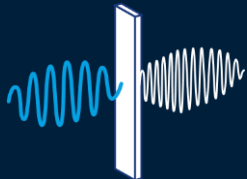


*Any FP can be used either as feed for impinging wave or probe for reflecting wave.

Turning of RIS allows any impinging wave angle

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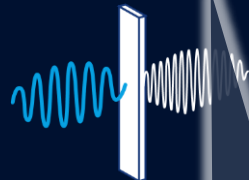
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6G-ADLANTIK

Laser-Architekturen zur Nutzung des Terahertz-Frequenzbereichs für die 6G-Kommunikation



6G-TERAKOM

Schlüsselkomponenten der Terahertz-Kommunikation für intelligente Funkzugangsnetze der 6. Generation



KOMSENS-6G

Paradigme Kommunikationsnetzwerke mit integrierter Funk-Sensitivität für die 6. Generation des Mobilfunks



Paradigme und zentrale Konzepte des 6G-Netzwerks ermöglichen neue mobile Anwendungen zum Beispiel im autonomen Fahren oder in der SmartFactory

6G-ANNA

Ganzheitliche Ansätze für Mobilfunknetze der 6. Generation



6G-LICRIS

Rekonfigurierbare Oberflächen erweitern 6G-Netzabdeckung



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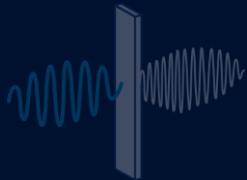




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