

5G in Public Safety What Does It Mean?

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THE ROAD TO 5G

1G, 2G, 3G, ...

- 1980s: 1G – AMPS
 - Analog radio signals
 - Circuit-switched voice only
- 1990s: 2G – Digital AMPS, cdmaOne, and GSM
 - Digital radio signals (different standards for different countries)
 - Circuit-switched voice
 - Intro of packet-switched* data (~ 40 Kbps – 384 Kbps)
- 2000s: 3G – CDMA2000 and UMTS
 - Digital radio signals (different standards for different countries)
 - Still circuit-switch voice
 - Faster packet-switched* data (~ 144Kbps – 20 Mbps)

Growing problem:

Increasing worldwide connectivity, economy

... but ...

Disparate standards

AMPS = Advanced Mobile Phone System

CDMA = Code Division Multiple Access

GSM = Global System for Mobile Communications

UMTS = Universal Mobile Telecommunications System

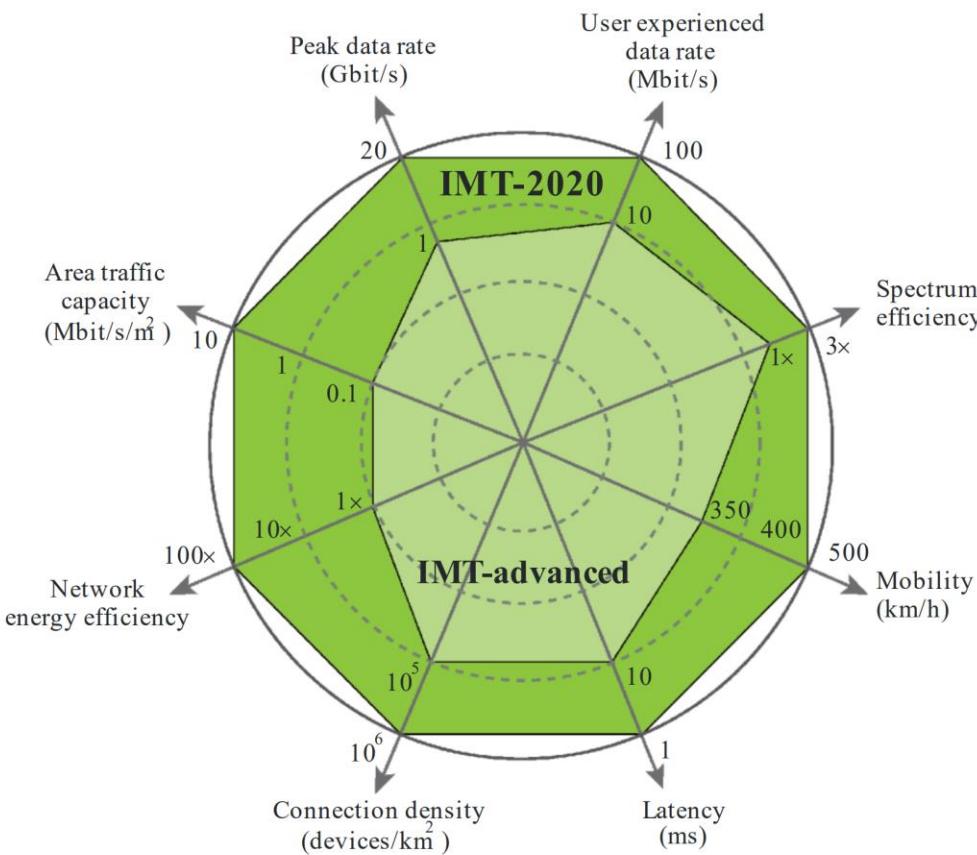
International Alignment

- ITU – International Telecommunication Union
- 3GPP – 3rd Generation Partnership Program
 - Unified seven standards organizations across the world
- New functionality is published in “releases”
 - Release 08: Introduction of LTE (Long Term Evolution)
 - All IP, packet-switched network; VoLTE (Voice over LTE)
 - Based on ITU IMT-2000
 - Release 10: LTE Advanced
 - Based on ITU IMT-Advanced
 - Release 15: 5G NR (New Radio)
 - Based on ITU IMT-2020
 - Release 16: 5G SA, slicing, ...
 - Release 17: under development ...



ITU 4G (Advanced) vs 5G Target 5G

Enhancement of key capabilities from IMT-Advanced to IMT-2020



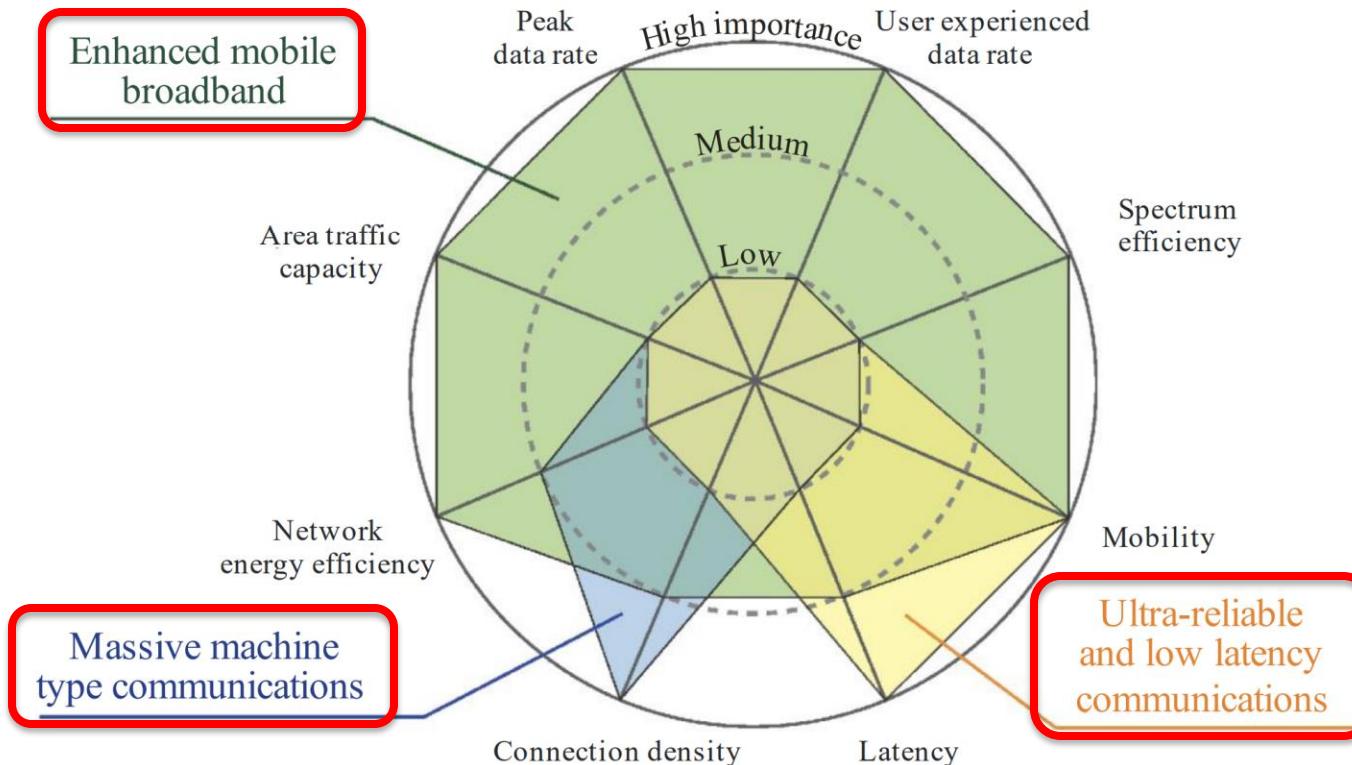
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Characteristic	4G IMT-Advanced	5G IMT-2020
Peak Data Rate (Gbps)	1	20
User-experienced Data Rate (Mbps)	10	100
Latency (ms)	10-100	1 ms
Mobility (km/h)	350 km/h	500 km/h
Connection Density (dev/km ²)	100,000	1,000,000
Spectral Efficiency (bit/s/Hz)	10	30
Area Traffic Capacity (Mbit/s/m ²)	0.1	10
Network Energy Efficiency	1x	100x 4G Battery life = yrs

ITU IMT-2020 Primary Usage Scenarios



The importance of key capabilities in different usage scenarios



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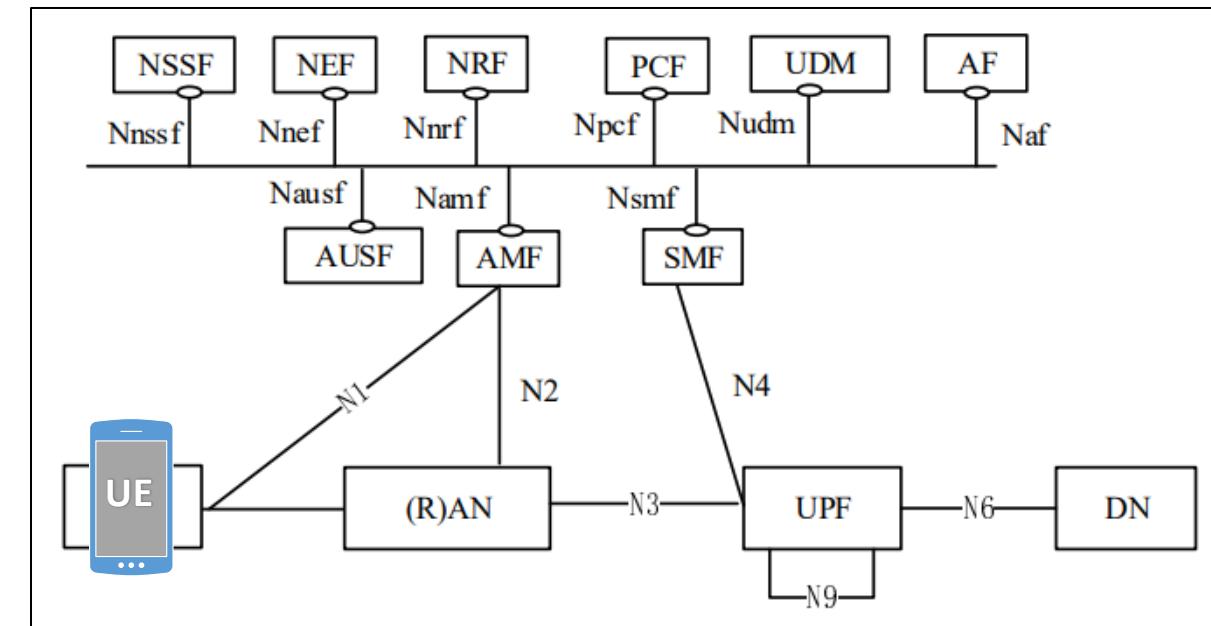
When you hear ... think ...

- **eMBB**
 - Broadband data & video
- **URLLC**
 - Mission critical
 - V2X (Vehicle to anything)
 - AR/VR feedback
- **mMTC**
 - IoT – Internet of Things

5G ARCHITECTURE

5G (Stand Alone) Architecture

- SBA - Service-based Architecture
 - Virtualized, containerized
- Scalable
 - Spin up additional services where and when needed
- Distributed
 - Control-plane / user-plane separation
 - Locate services where needed
- Resilient
 - Redundant NFs across machines and locations



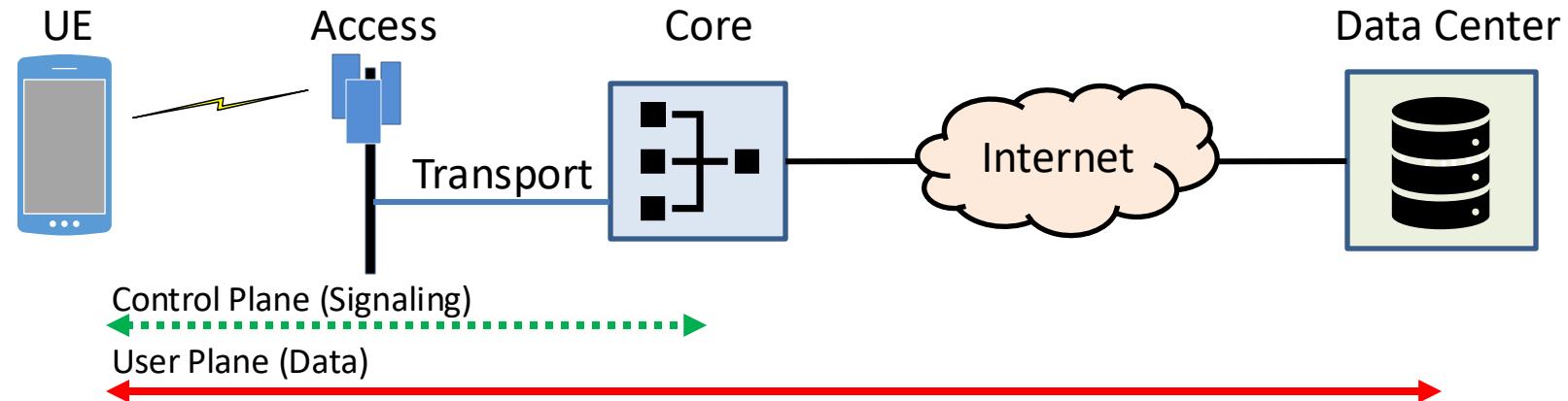
Overall: Flexibility of deployment options means greater ability to support emergency incident communications

Multi-access Edge Compute

(MEC)

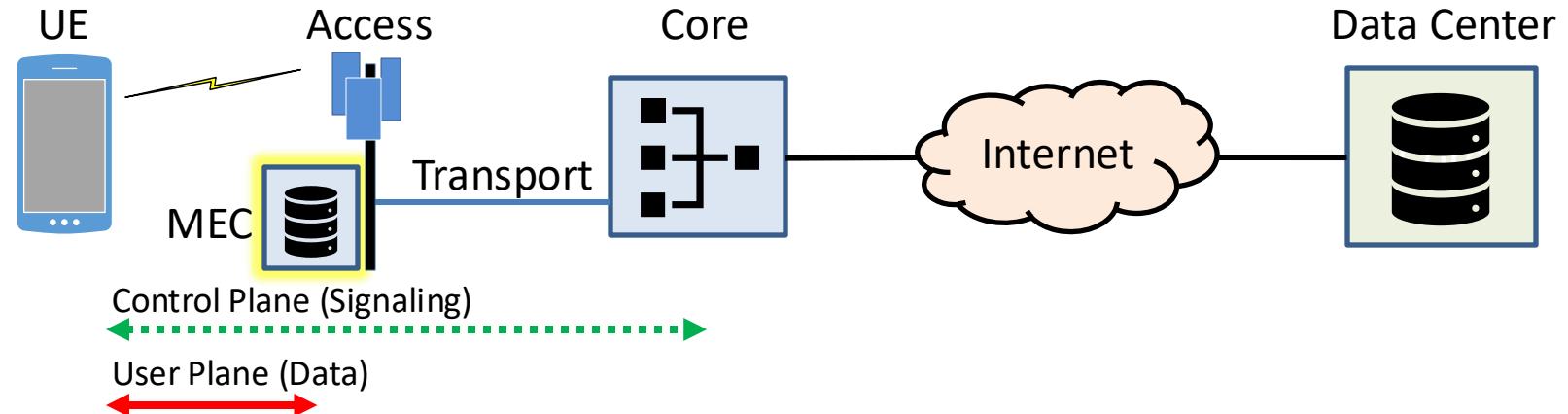
Traditional:

- Latency up to 100 ms (or more), depending on location of data



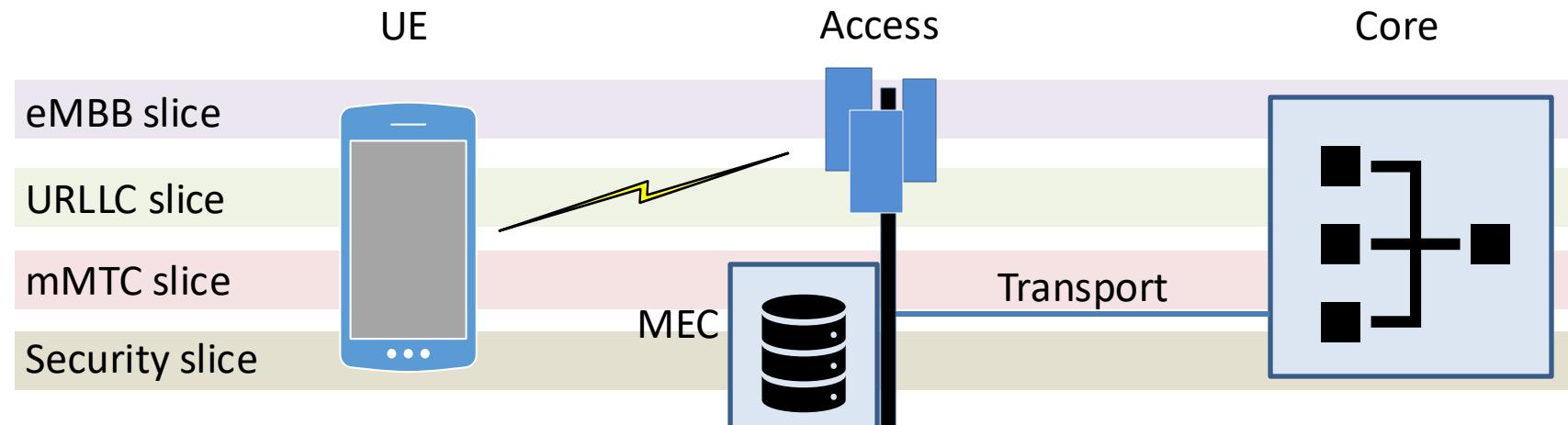
With MEC:

- Reduces latency
- Reduces backhaul load
- Improves reliability, deployability
- Ideal applications:
 - Data intensive
 - Latency sensitive



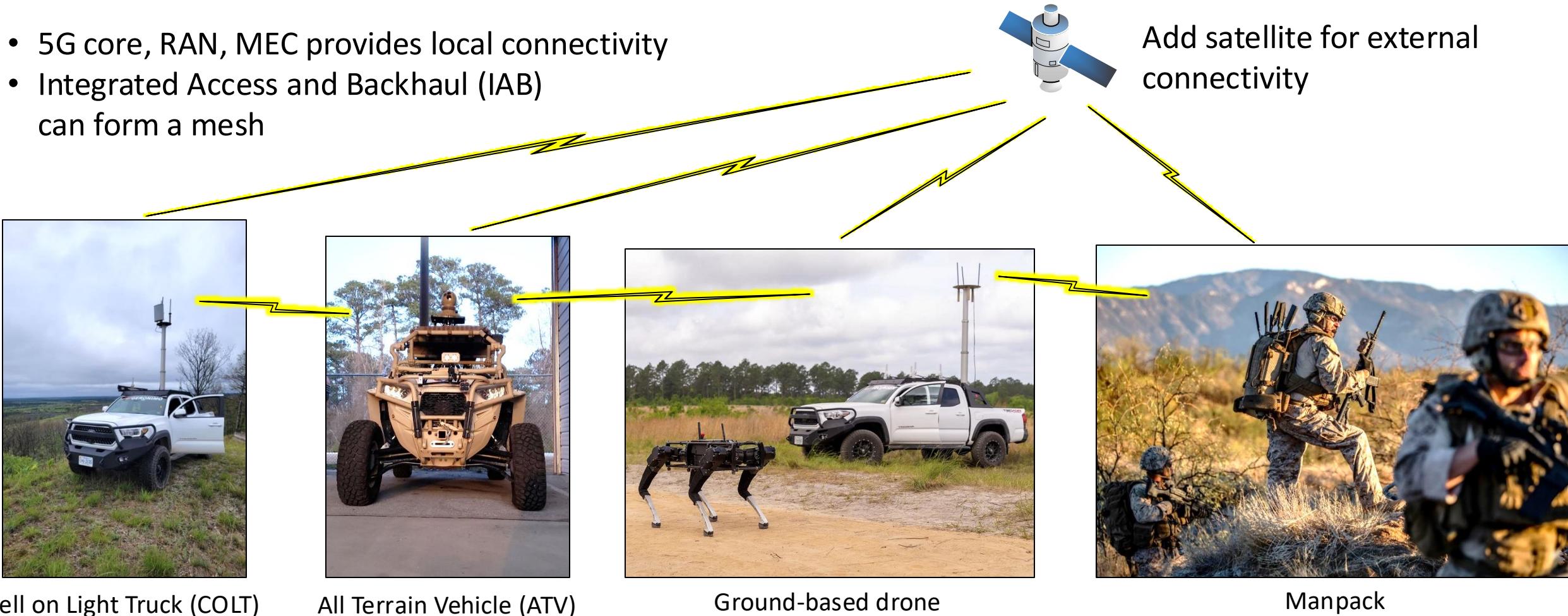
Network Slicing

- Partition / allocate network resources
 - Optimize each slice as needed for applications or security
 - Includes core, transport, RAN and MEC resources



Deployable 5G Bubble

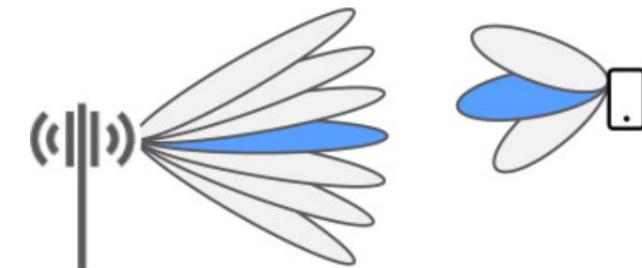
- 5G core, RAN, MEC provides local connectivity
- Integrated Access and Backhaul (IAB) can form a mesh



RF Enhancements

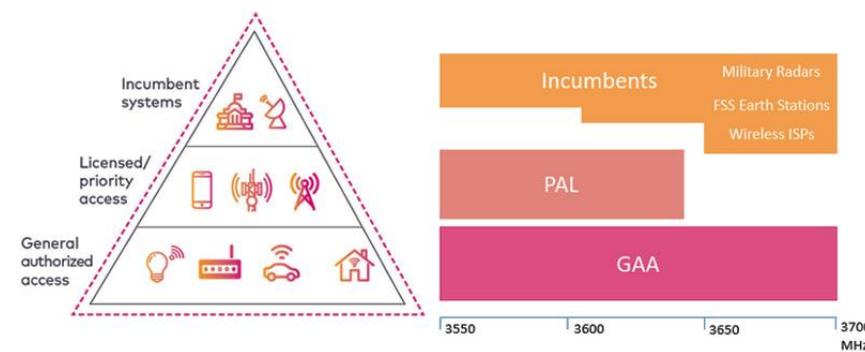
Massive MIMO and beamforming

- Demonstrated 10x (or more) improvement in capacity
- Directed energy improves coverage



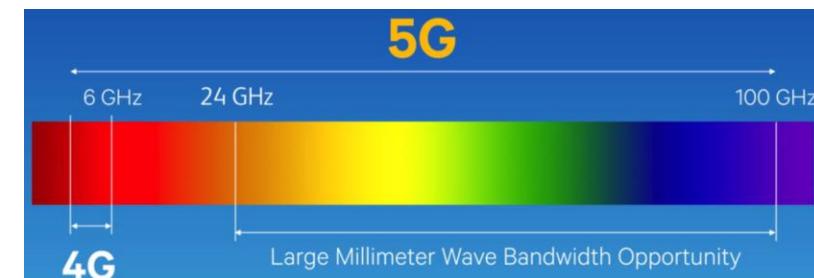
CBRS – Citizens Broadband Radio Service

- Enables private LTE and 5G networks
- Additional bands being investigated



mmWave Spectrum (24 GHz+)

- Channel widths of 50, 100, 200, 400 MHz!

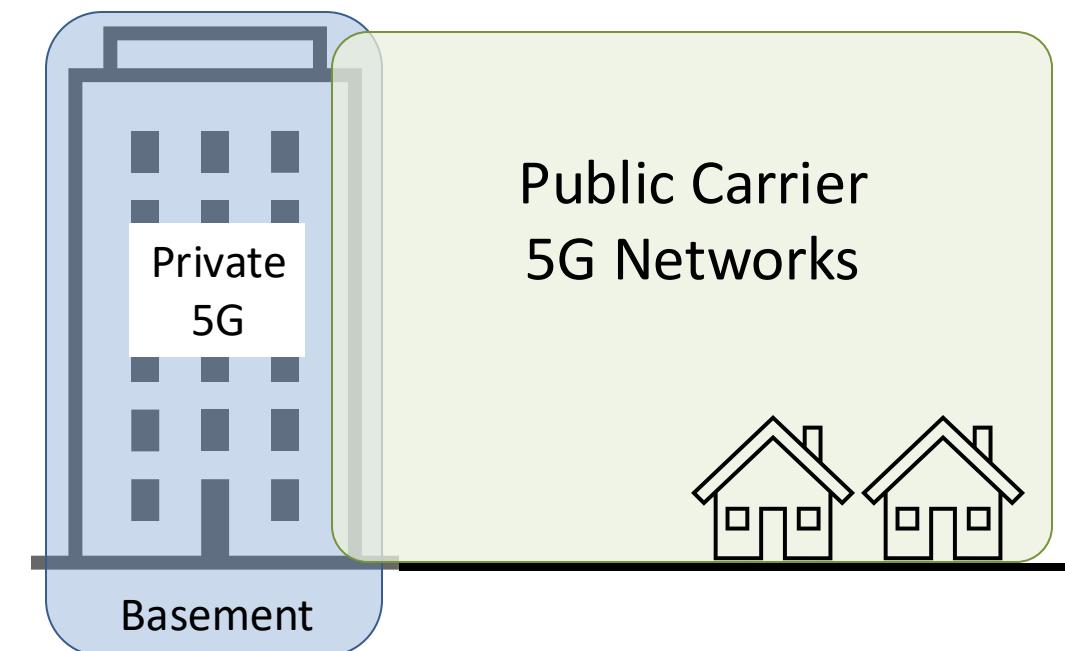


Public / Private 5G

Interoperability

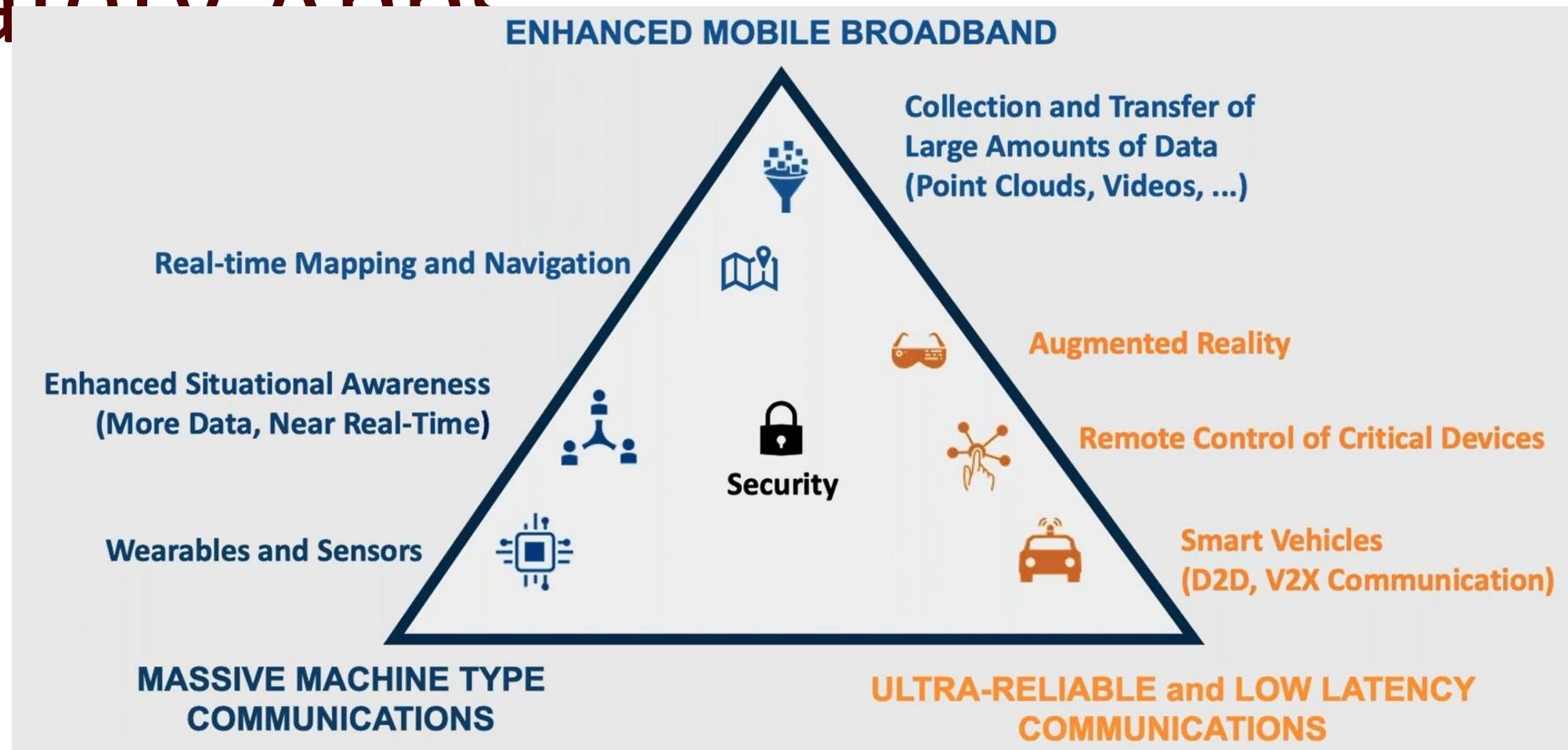
Public 5G coverage may be limited in some commercial buildings

- Especially with energy-efficient, reflective glass, and in basements
- Especially high-bandwidth mmWave
- Private 5G networks can fill the gap
- Modern phones support both
 - Manually switch networks
 - Log in to all apps again!
- Need ability to walk into a building and switch network seamlessly
 - Especially First Responders



5G APPLICATIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

ITU Usage Scenarios vs. Public Safety Apps



Situational Awareness

- More mapping and coordination tools
- More video (much more!)
 - Local: body cameras, dash cameras
 - Surveillance: fixed, robot mounted, drone mounted
 - Higher resolution: 4K (or greater)
- Need to stream/share direct from the robot or drone
 - Old:
 - land the drone, download the SD card, upload to server
 - Issues: insufficient RF bandwidth, backhaul bandwidth
 - New:
 - stream direct from drone to UE(s)
 - Stream direct from drone to storage/distribution app, then to UE(s), ICP, EOC
- 5G: eMBB; mmWave spectrum (bandwidth); MEC (no need to backhaul)

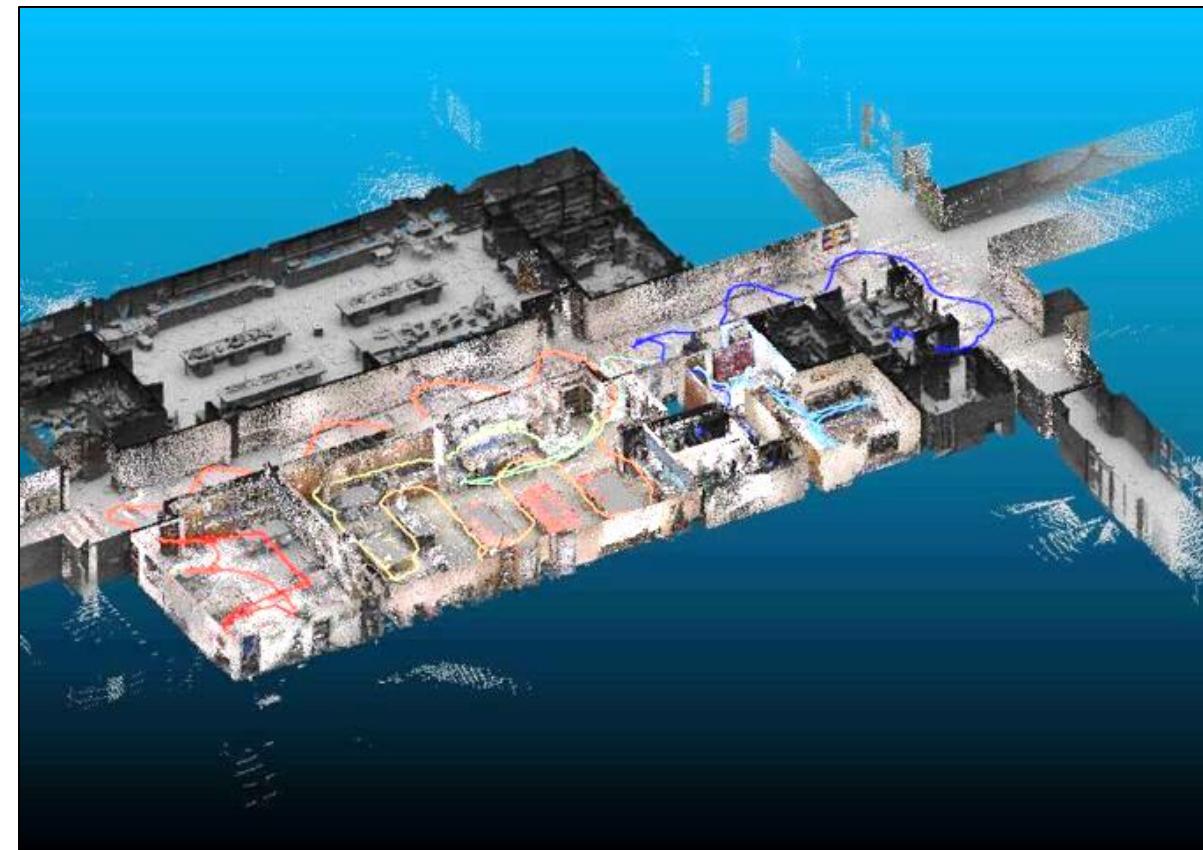


ATAK – Android Team Awareness Kit



Big Data

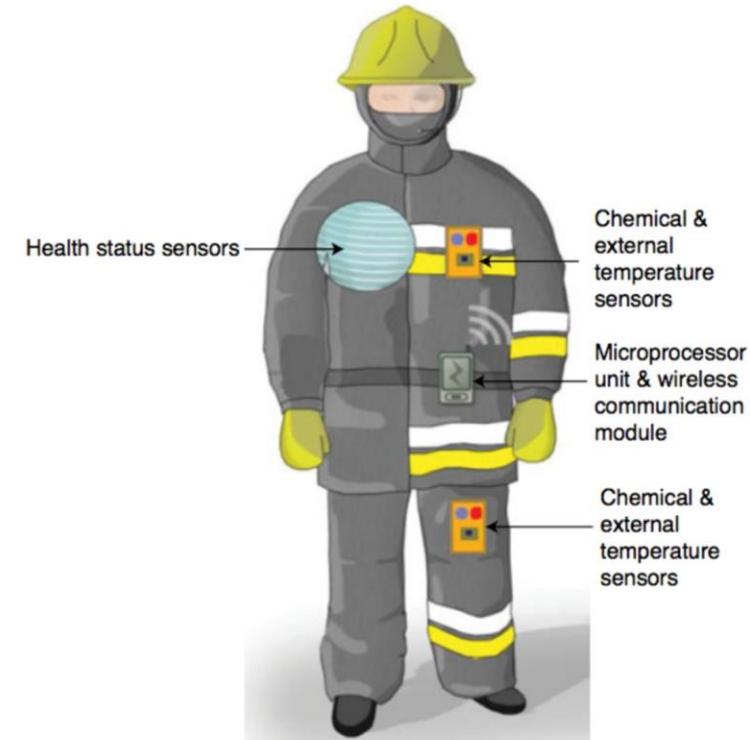
- LiDAR – Light Detection and Ranging
 - Remote sensing process; collect measurements for 3D models
 - Hand-held, tripod, backpack, robot, drone
 - Latest mobile phones have LiDAR scanners
- Point Clouds
 - Represent spatial data as a collection of coordinates
 - Can be rendered as pixels or converted to polygons for 3D representation of structures, objects
- Public Safety Examples
 - Indoor and outdoor mapping
 - Search path mapping
 - Escape route mapping
- 5G: eMBB, MEC



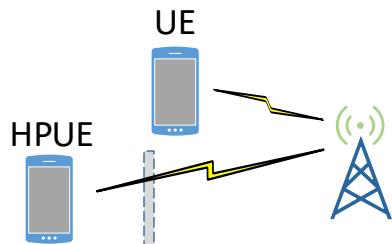
Source: National Institute of Standards and Technology

Wearables and Sensors

- Technology
 - Communications
 - Audio, video (body-cam, dash-cam, deployables, ...)
 - Location tracking (X, Y and Z coordinates)
 - Telementoring (EMS)
 - AR/VR: search routes, escape routes, team locations, ...
 - Health status – Smart PPE
 - First responder: Body temp, heart rate, respiration rate, ...
 - EMS: 12 lead electrocardiogram (ECG), blood pressure, pulse oximetry, ...
 - External environment
 - Temperature; particulate; chemical, biological, radiological, nuclear (CBRN); shot spotter; ...
 - Intrinsically safe!
- Non-technical issues
 - Legal, workplace, privacy, political, operational, ...
- 5G: mMTC (sensors), eMBB (comms), URLLC (Mission Critical Services), MEC



Mission Critical Enhancements

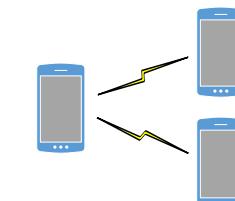


High Power User Equipment

- Band 14 Only
- Not directly 5G related, but useful for MCX

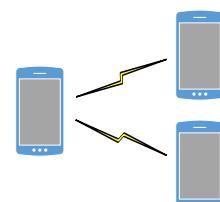
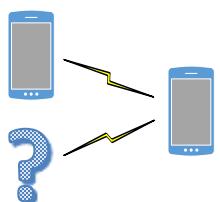
Off-Network MCPTT

- Mission-critical Push-To-Talk
- 5G enhancements: coverage and reliability; off-net too



New Radio (NR) ProSe (Proximity Services)

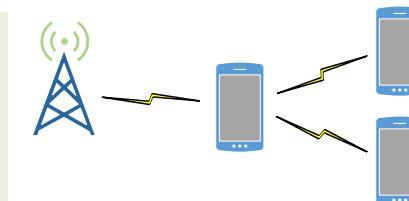
- **Discovery:** Application and group member discovery between devices in proximity
- **Modes:** One-to-one and one-to-many



5G: URLLC

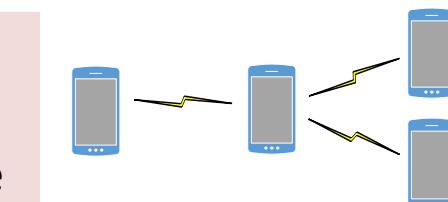
UE-to-Network Relay

Indirect access to network via another device

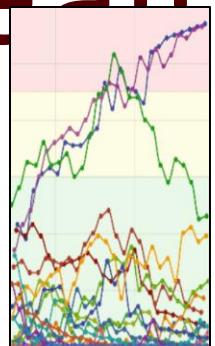


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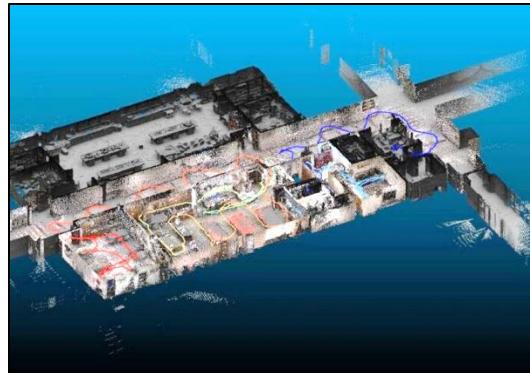
Communication with a device via another device



Augmented Reality & Virtual Reality



Sensor Data



Realtime mapping



5G: eMBB, URLLC, mMTC



Situational awareness

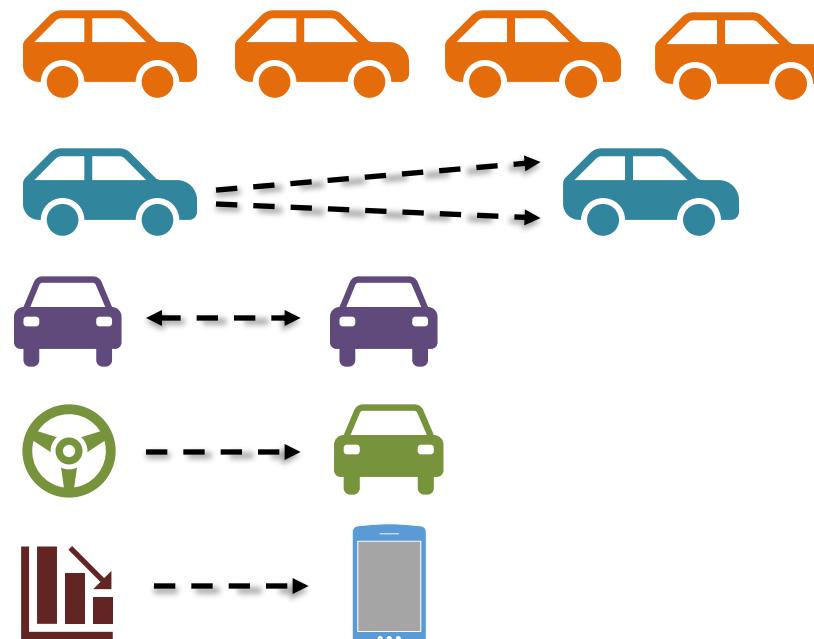


Surveillance Video

Remote Control & Autonomous Vehicles

- 3GPP 5G NR V2X (Vehicle to X) Use Cases

- Vehicle Platooning
- Advanced Driving
- Extended Sensors
- Remote Driving
- Vehicle QoS Support
- 5G: URLLC, mMTC

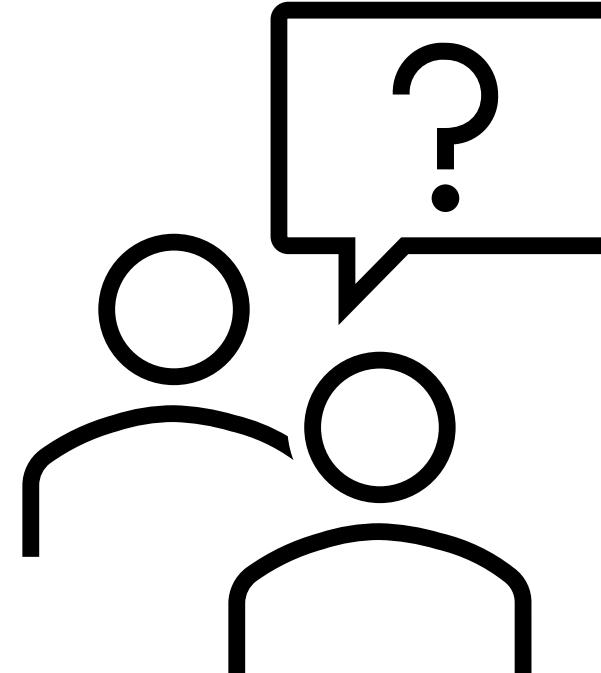


Conclusions

- By design, 5G will have direct benefits for public safety
 - Architecture, Security, Applications (many!)
- Application use cases will be a combination of
 - eMBB – Enhanced Mobile Broadband
 - URLLC – Ultra Reliable and Low Latency Communications
 - mMTC – Massive Machine-type Communications
- We know what it *CAN* do; what it *WILL* do is up to you
 - Experimentation, vendor partnerships, interoperability events

QUESTIONS?

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