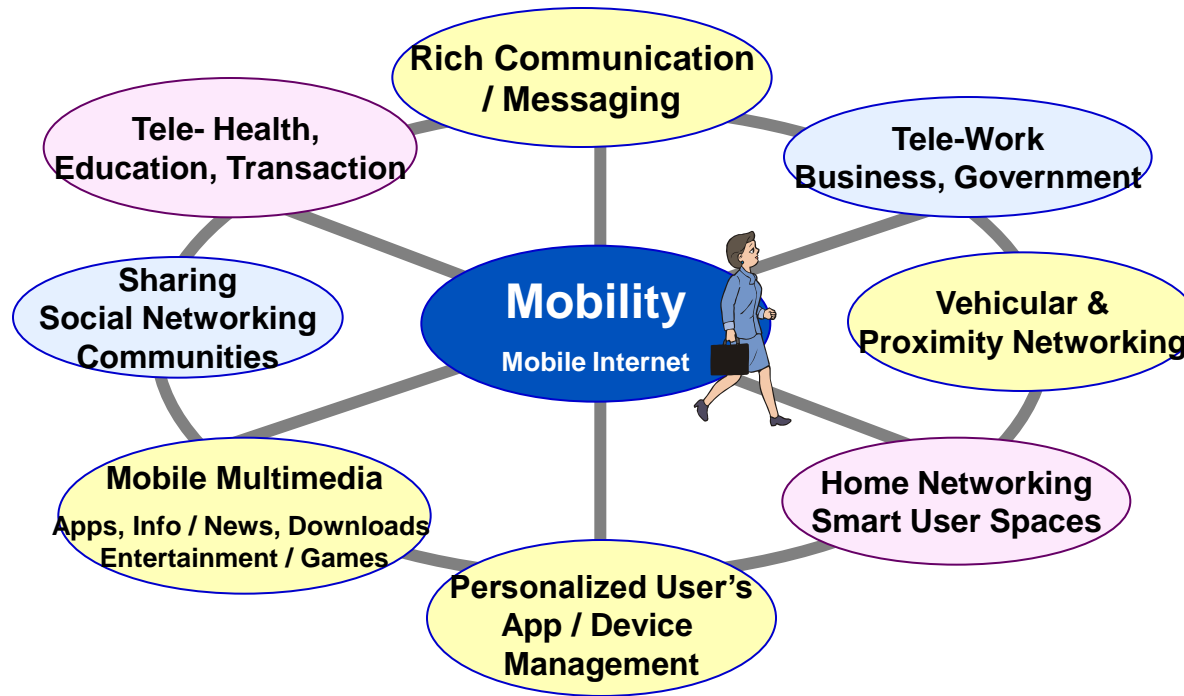


# **Evolution of Wireless Communications**

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Lisbon - March 2011**

# The Picture



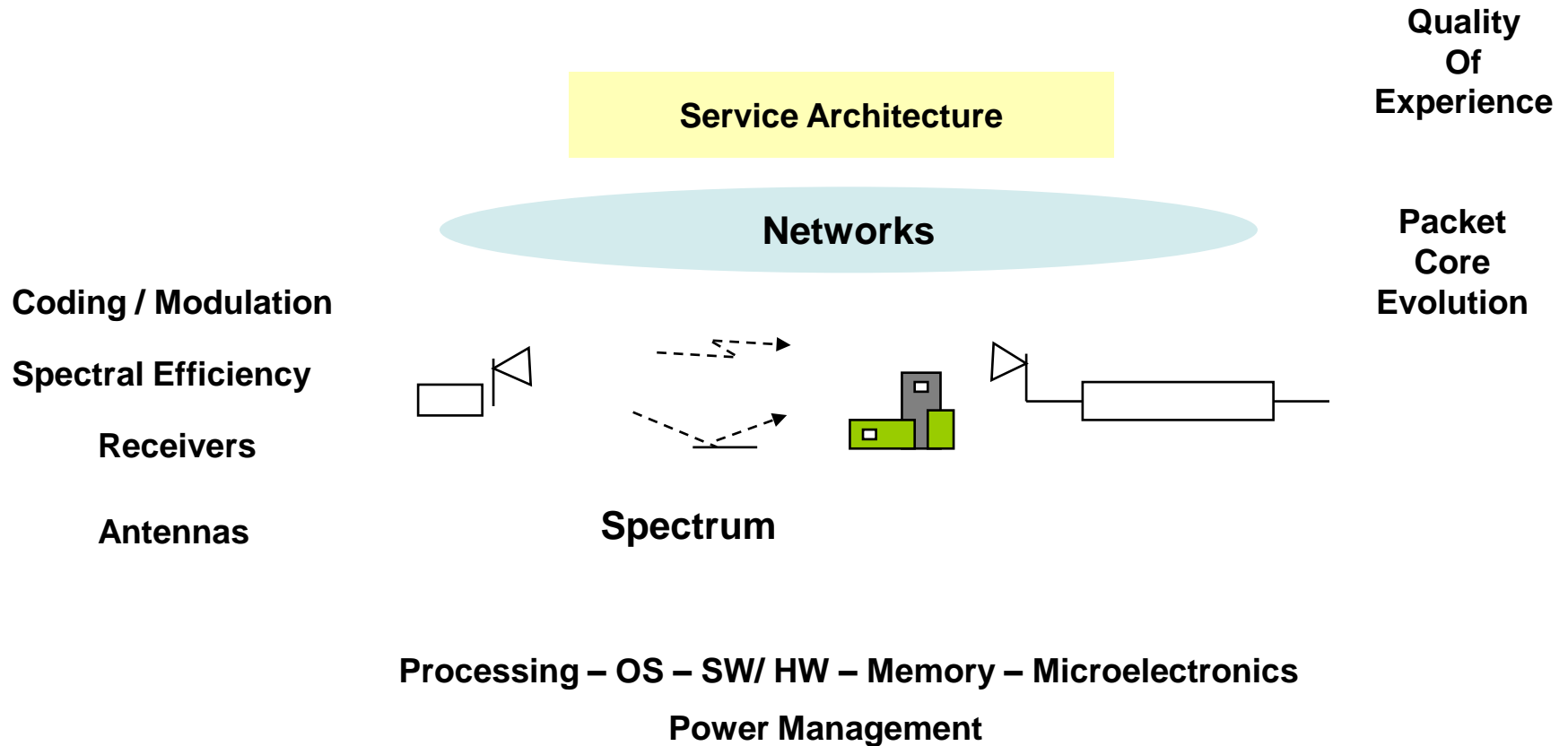
## What fields are involved in enabling this?!

**Telecommunication, Radio, Optics, Computing, software / hardware, electronics, power, multimedia, & many more ...**

## Future?!

# Evolution? Innovations? Challenges? Future?

## Intention – Context – User Space - Experience



# Wireless Technology Evolution



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Future?

2010



- Speed, response time, openness, experience, efficiency, ...

Future Internet – Mobility, simplicity, trust, information & content-centric

User device reconfigurability

Heterogeneous & Multi-modal

Sensors & Machine-to-Machine

Operational Efficiency – Self X

Cooperative & Cognitive – Understand, decide, adapt / train

Spectrum Flexibility

# Technology Elements To Meet Design Goals - Example

## Design Goals

**Rich experience & high performance**

**Application**  
(personal, local, wide-area mobility; enterprise / campus, home)

**Connectivity, coverage, roaming**

**Universality & ecosystem richness**

**Efficiency & cost-effectiveness**

## Access Technology Elements

**Multiple Access mechanism**

**Coding & Modulation**

**Radio channel bandwidth**

**Dynamic resource allocation / adaptation**

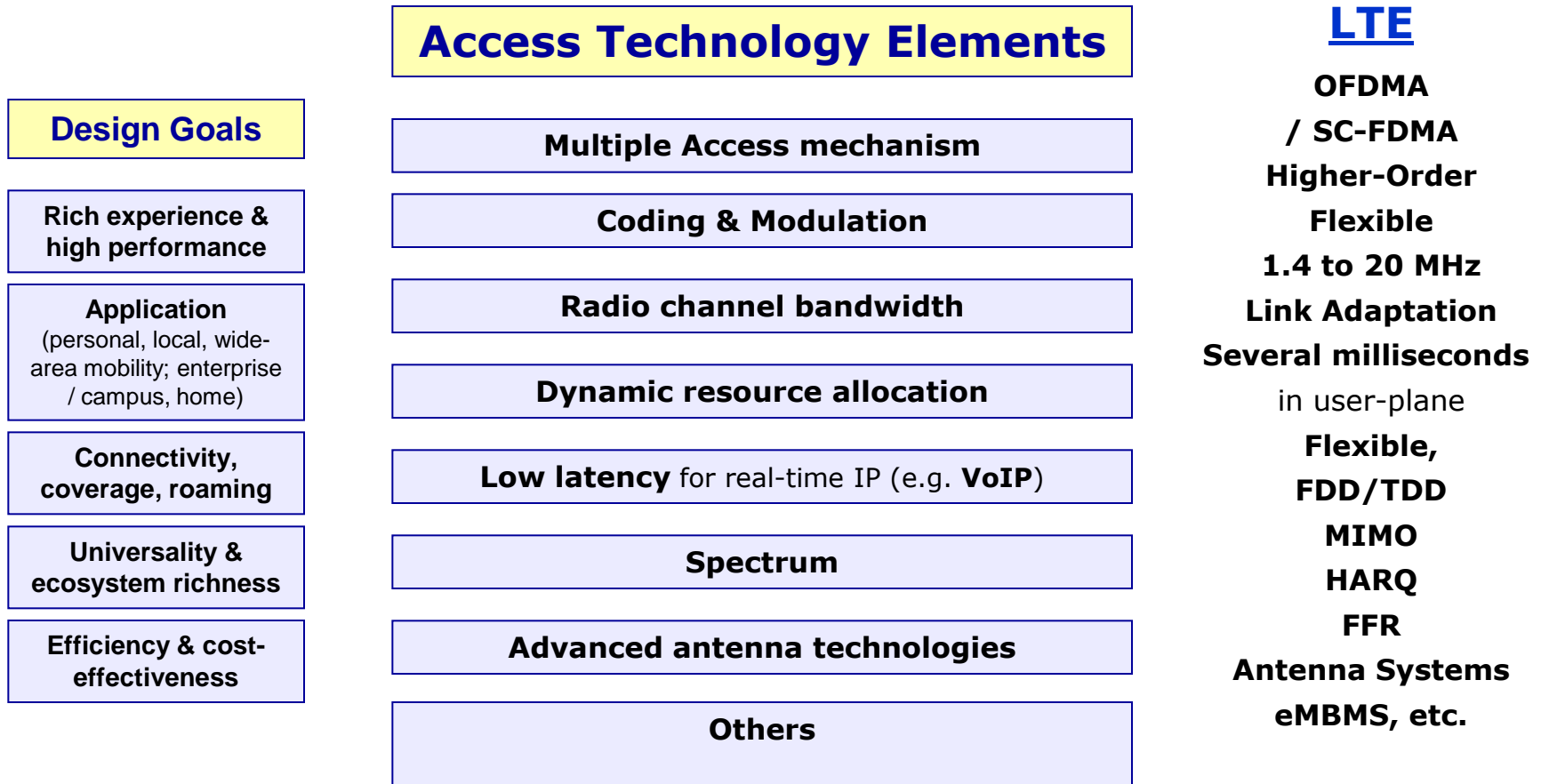
**Low latency** for real-time IP (e.g. VoIP)

**Spectrum band**

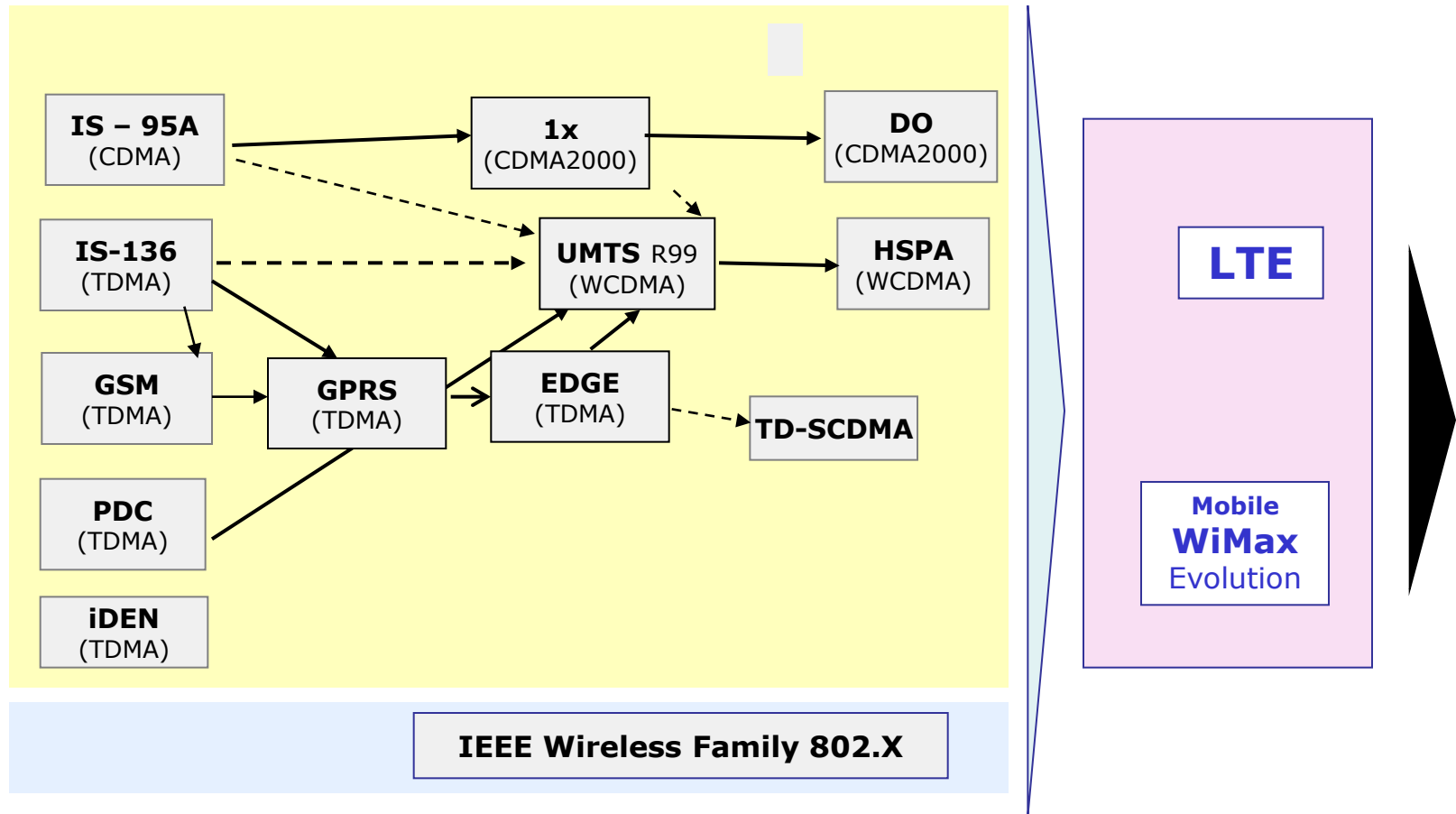
**Advanced antenna technologies** (e.g. MIMO)

Others

# Wireless Access Technology Advancement

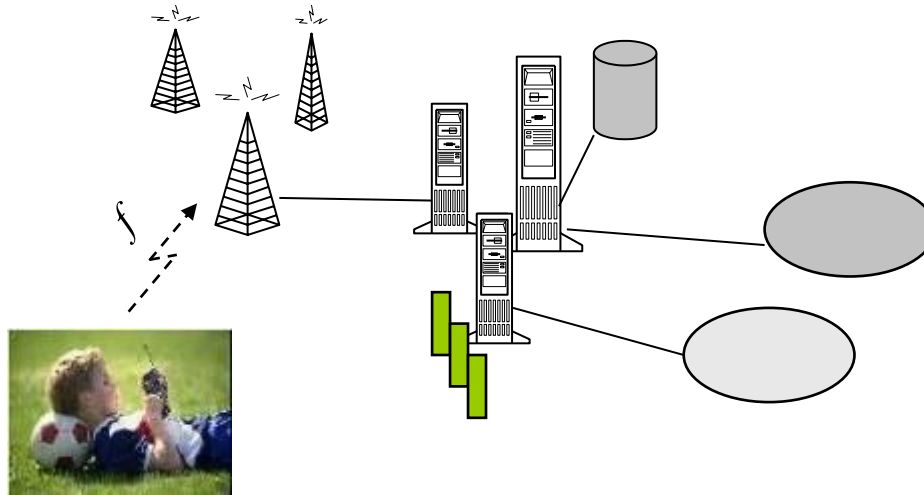


# Mobile Technologies - 2G to Beyond 3G



\* Not all technologies or transitions are shown

# How is this architecture & experience evolving?



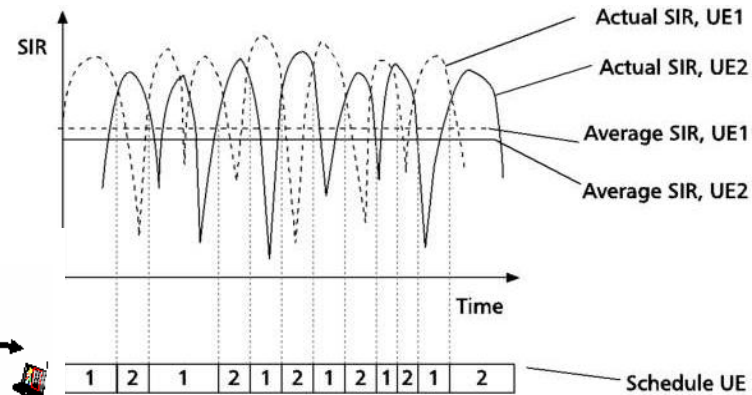
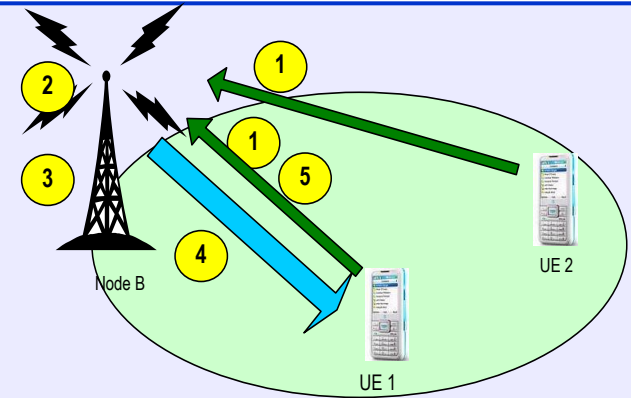
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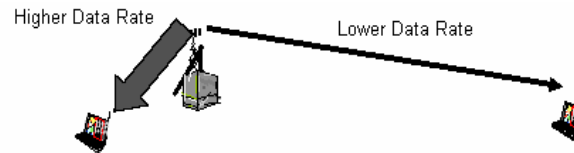
# 3G Examples & Evolving

HSPA & DO dynamically respond to link conditions to send more data at shorter time. The idea is simple:

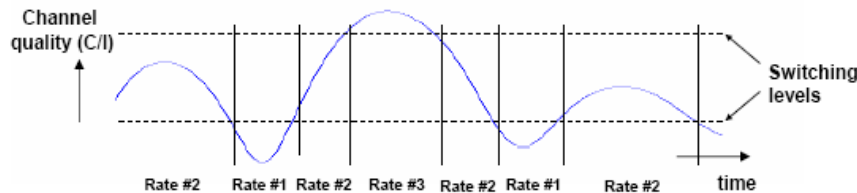
- Channel Quality
- Scheduling
- Adaptive coding / modulation



## Link Adaptation



### Fast Link adaptation:

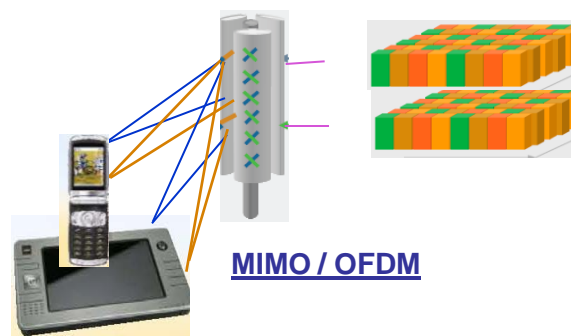
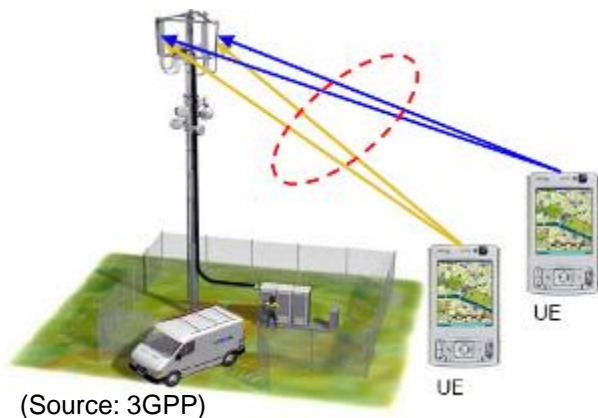
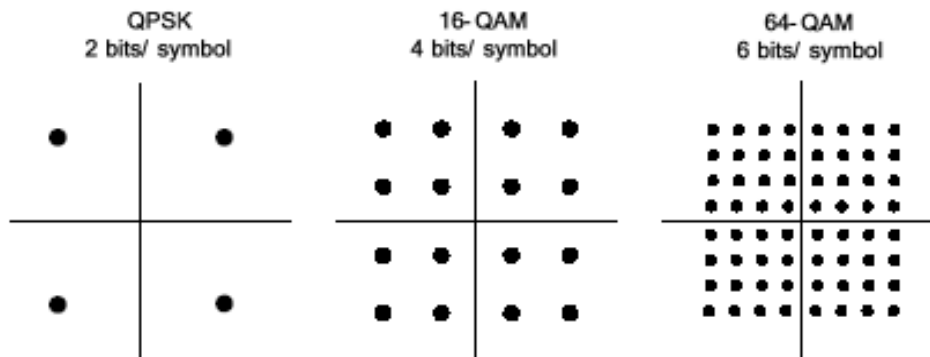


- Rate #3: e.g. 16-QAM,  $R=3/4$
- Rate #2: e.g. QPSK,  $R=3/4$
- Rate #1: e.g. QPSK,  $R=1/2$

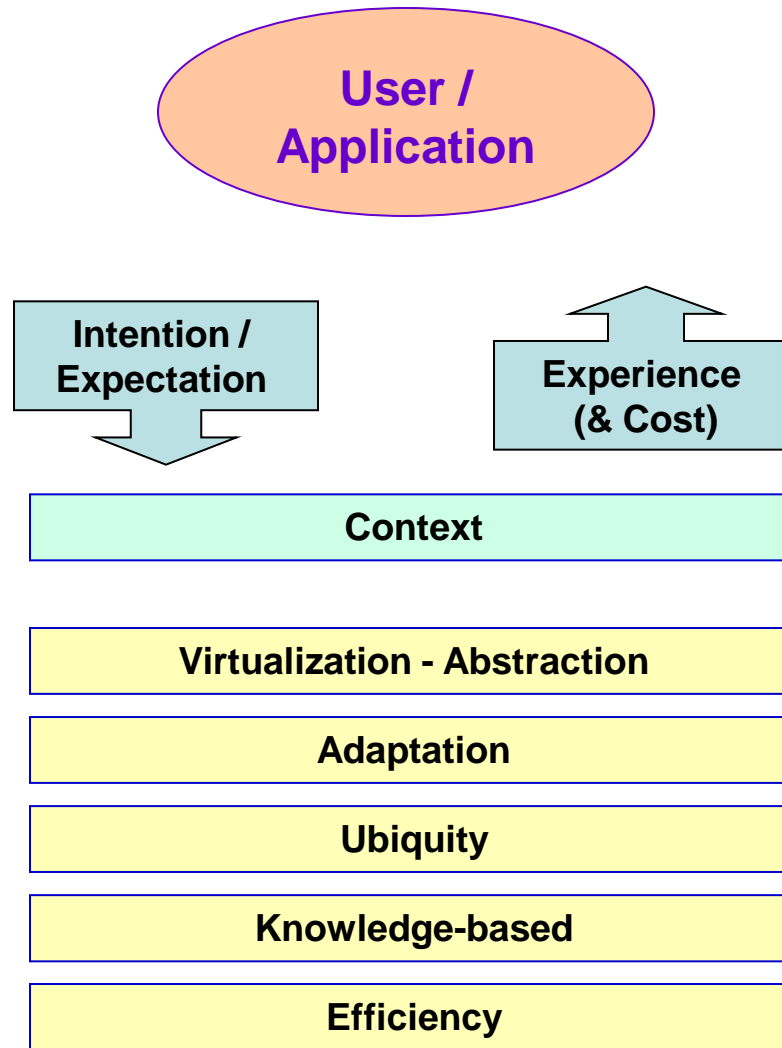
Rate selection based on radio link conditions

## Scheduling

# QAM, MIMO, OFDM, ...

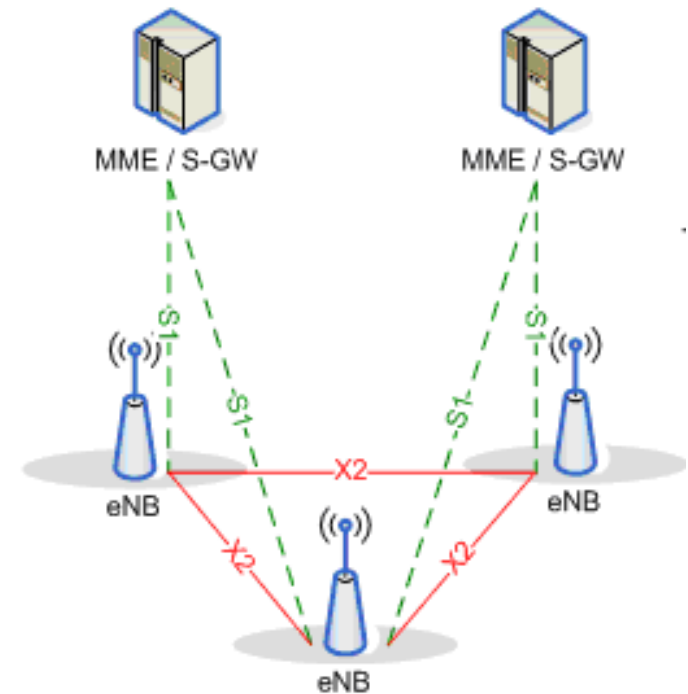
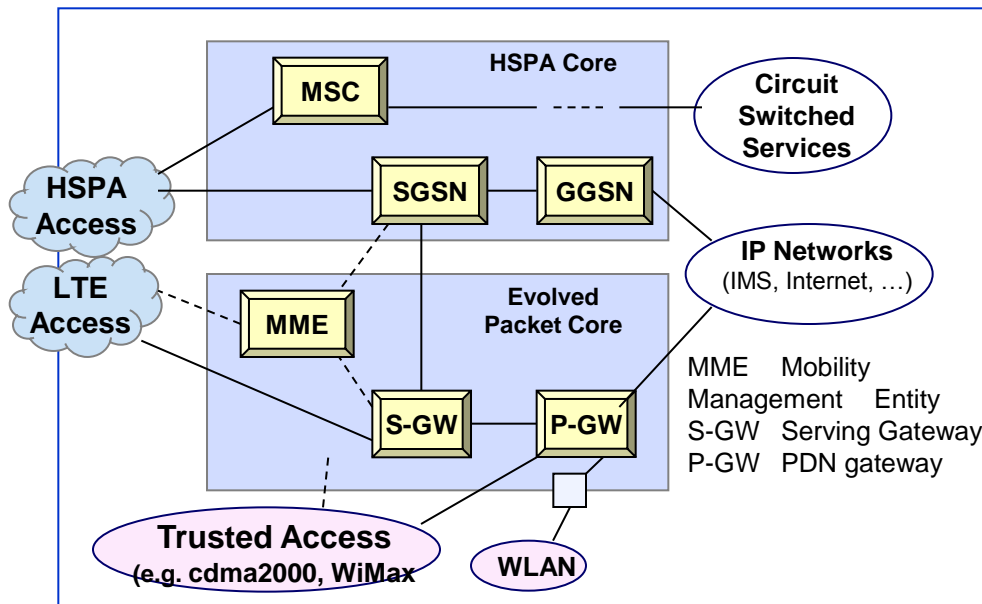


# Research, Innovations, & Technology Evolution Paradigms

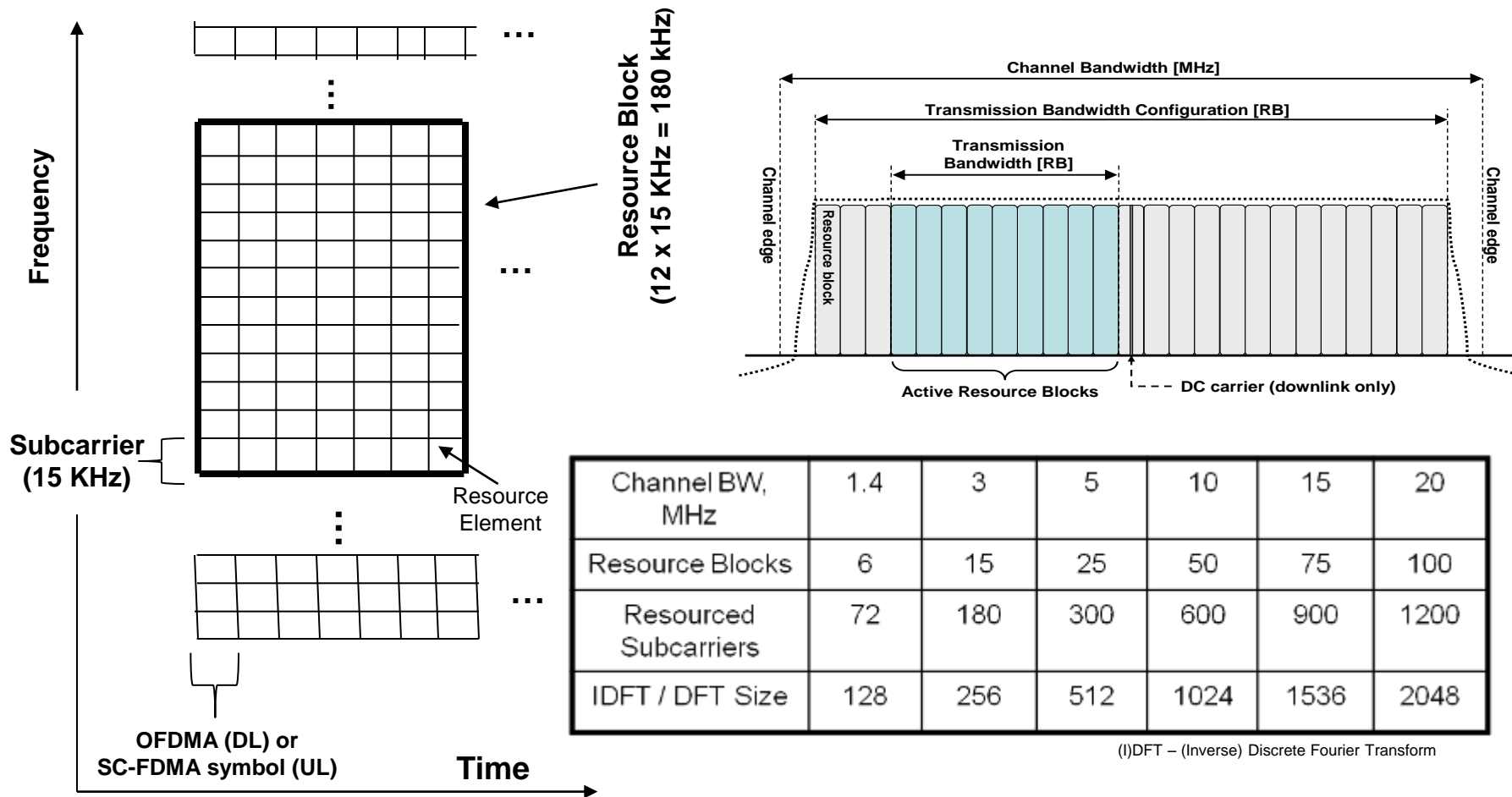


# LTE / EPC Architecture

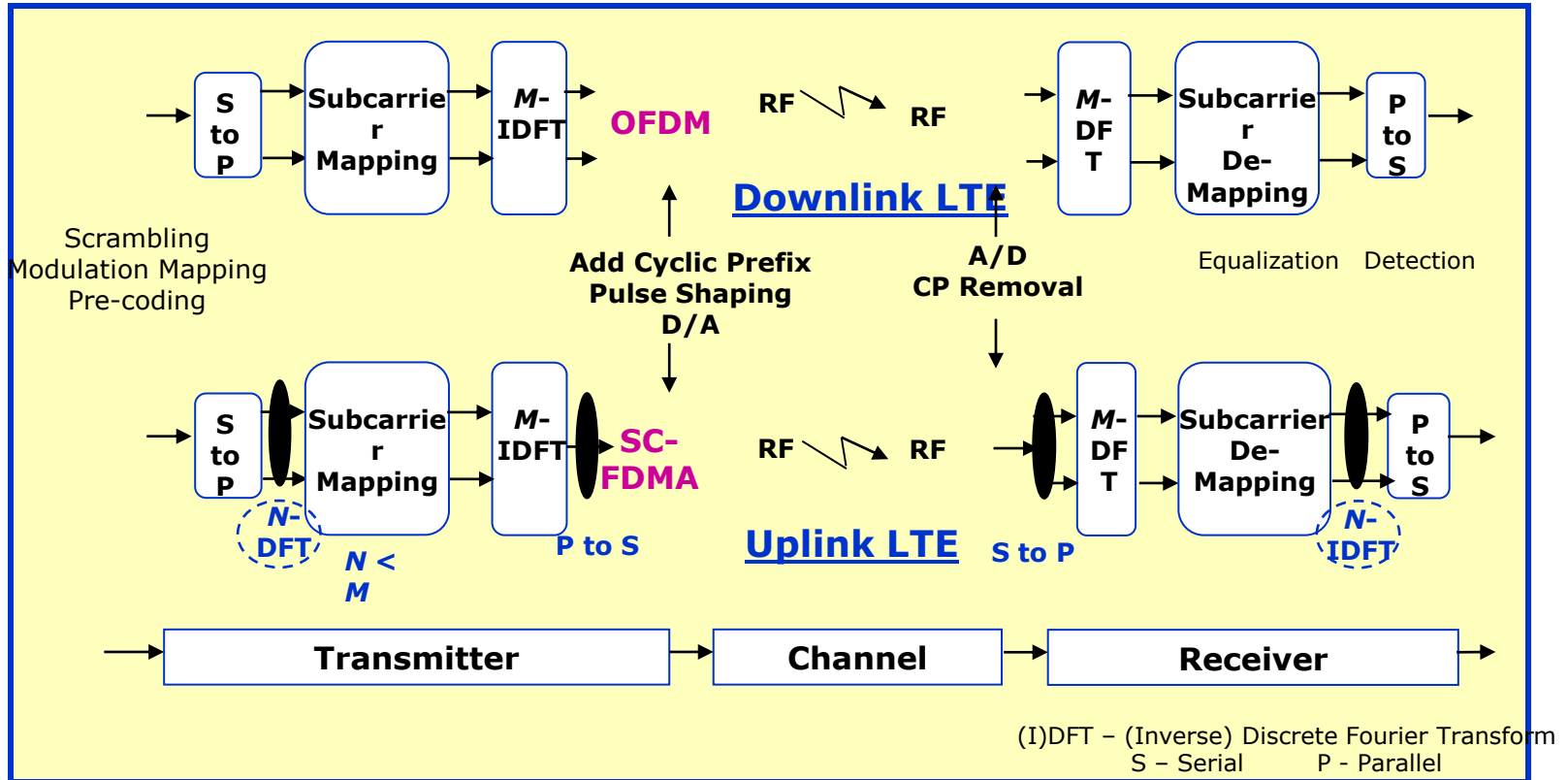
- Simplified to a flatter architecture with an **Evolved Packet Core** and **Evolved- UTRAN (e-NodeB)**



# LTE Physical Layer Transmission

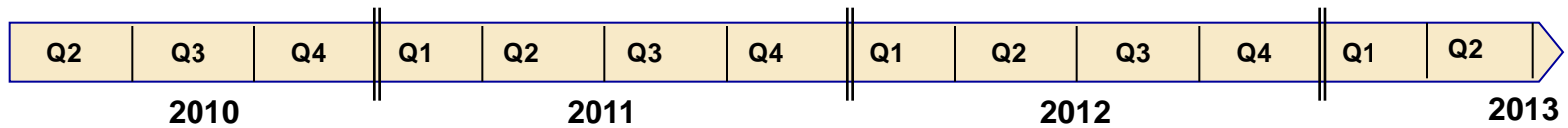


# LTE Transmission, *Cont'd*



- Frequency domain equalization (using DFT) with lower complexity for broadband channels
- SC-FDMA used for uplink

# LTE Ecosystem Evolution At A Glance



**LTE Global Introduction**

**LTE Rollout Full LTE / HSPA Ecosystem**

**Continued Global LTE Trials**



**LTE bands**

**Operational Efficiency**

**Self-Organizing Networks (SON)**

**Spectrum Auctions**

# Data Traffic Growth

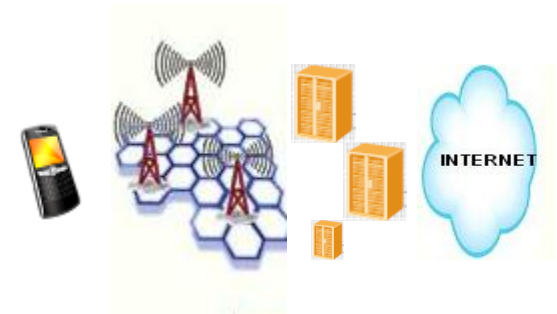
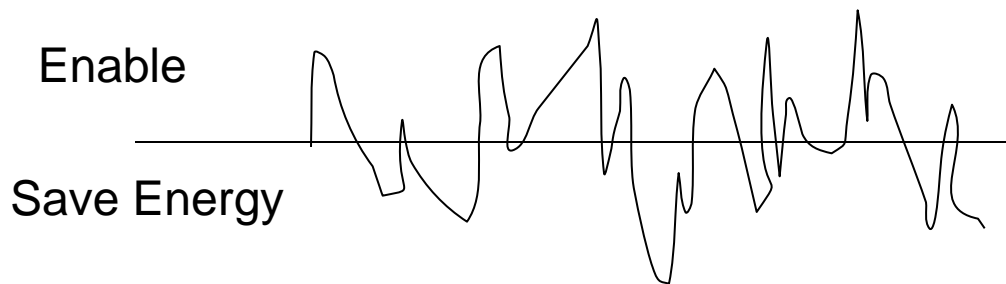
**Capacity**

**Modeling Irregular Behaviour**

**Cost**

## Capacity Enhancements

- **Network-Level**
- **Application Optimization**
- **Operational Efficiency**





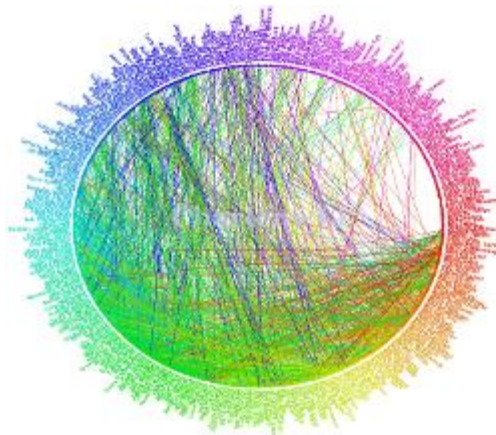
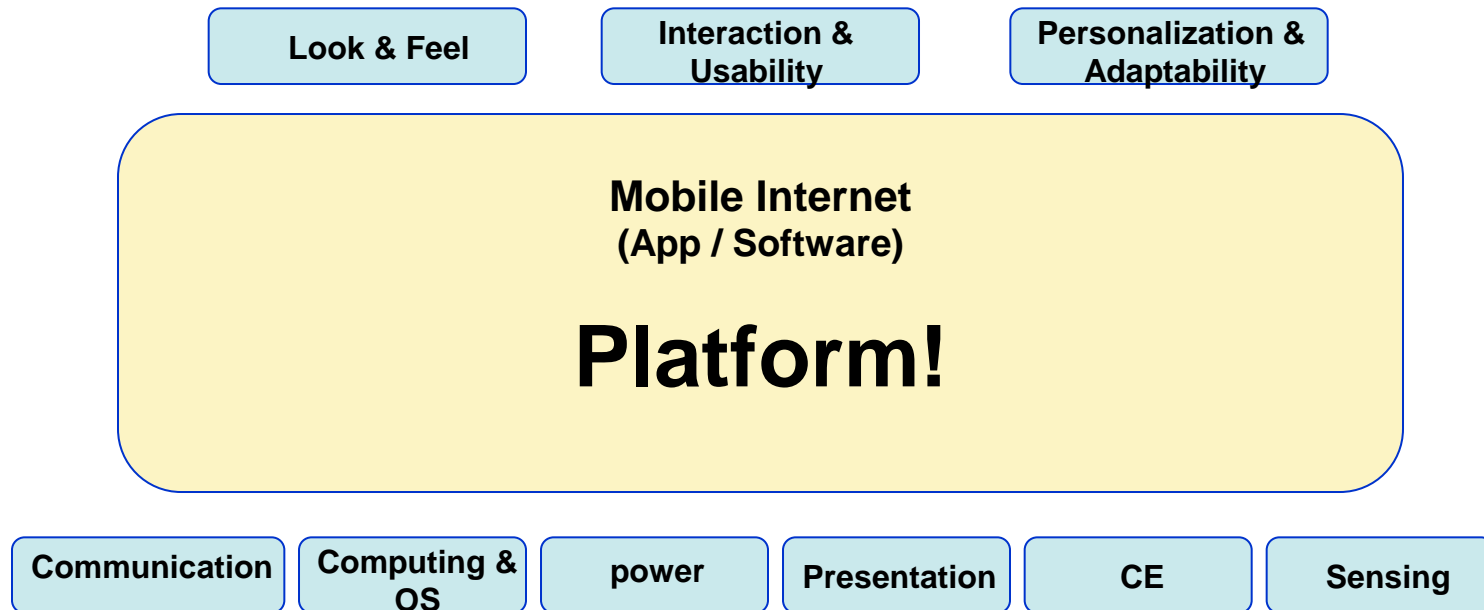
# Operational Excellence

- Spectral Efficiency
- Adaptive Technologies – Adaptive Resource Partitioning
- Dynamic Resource Allocation
- Flat & Simplified Architecture
- Granular Traffic Management - Knowledge-Based & Policy-Based
- Automation & Self-Organizing

# Operational Efficiency - Motivation

- Configure A New Network Element Without major Impact
- Automatic Neighbour Cell Relations
- Balance Load Between Cells
- Dynamically Optimize Capacity & Coverage --- & Performance
- Remove Coverage Holes & Reduce Interference Dynamically
- Save Energy When Unloaded / Under-loaded In Real Time
- Diagnostics & Healing Only Where & When Needed – Self Organizing

# Mobile Device – A Platform



# Long Term View



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Future?



# Nanotechnology

- Electronics & Processing
- Power / Energy, Memory, ...
- Display, Sensing & Interaction, ...
  
- Peripheral Structures – Surface Properties & Significance of Mechanical properties
  
- MATERIAL
  - Light, Rigid / Stiff & yet Tough, Flexible
  - Self-Cleaning / Healing & Assembly Properties – Adhesive Properties
  
- Optimize – e.g. Strength, stiffness and elasticity
- High Power Reconfigurable Surface Grid Communication

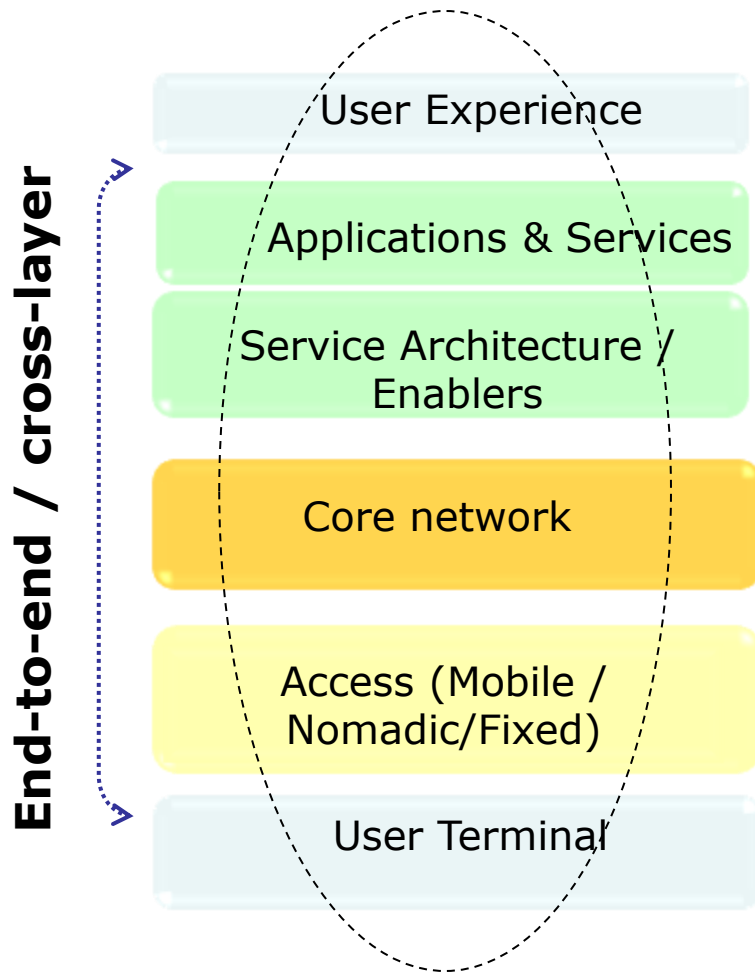
# Nanomaterial

- Nanocomposites have these prospects
  - Strength & Toughness
  - Light Structures
  - Easier Processing
  - Improved thermal, electrical, and mechanical properties
  - Surface qualities
  - Energy harvesting
  - In addition to enabling new possibilities ...
- Example
  - CNT
    - High aspect ratio, low density & lightweight, high tensile strength, multifunctional, flexible, lateral size, others ...

Range of  
Applications!

Challenges!

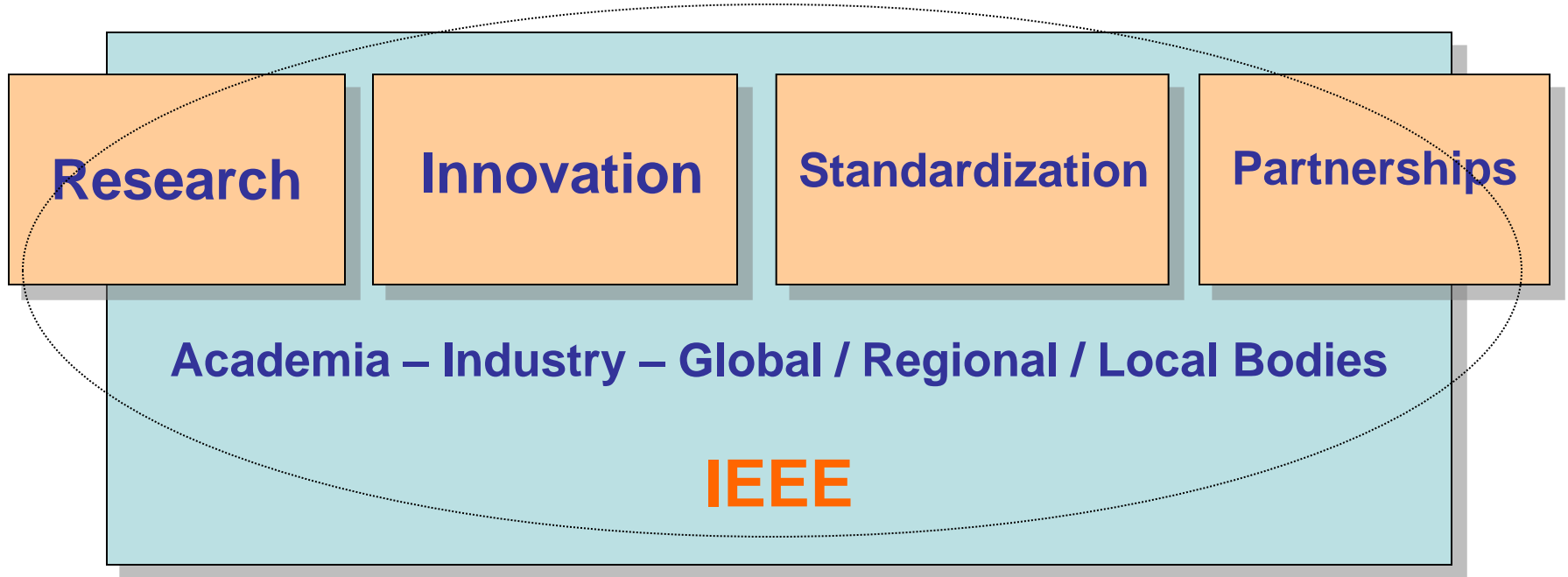
# Research



- **Future of User Interaction**
- **Definition of “Value”**
- **Concept of “Service” in Future**
- **Identity, security, charging**
- **Service Framework – Abstraction**
  - Creation, Access, Delivery
- **IP Networking**
- **Ad-hoc Networks**
- **Heterogeneous Networks**
- **Sensing**
- **Broadband Wireless**
- **Spectrum Management, Cognitive**
- **Seamless Access**
- **Intelligent Radio**
- **Processing, power, memory, display, OS, nano-engineering, robotics, neural, bio-engineering**
- .....

# Building The Future

Together!





**Thank You!**