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10 Thematic Areas @IMT

# FUTURE NETWORKS & SERVICES COLLOQUIUM

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By the “**Networks and IoT**” key thematic area of Institut Mines Télécom

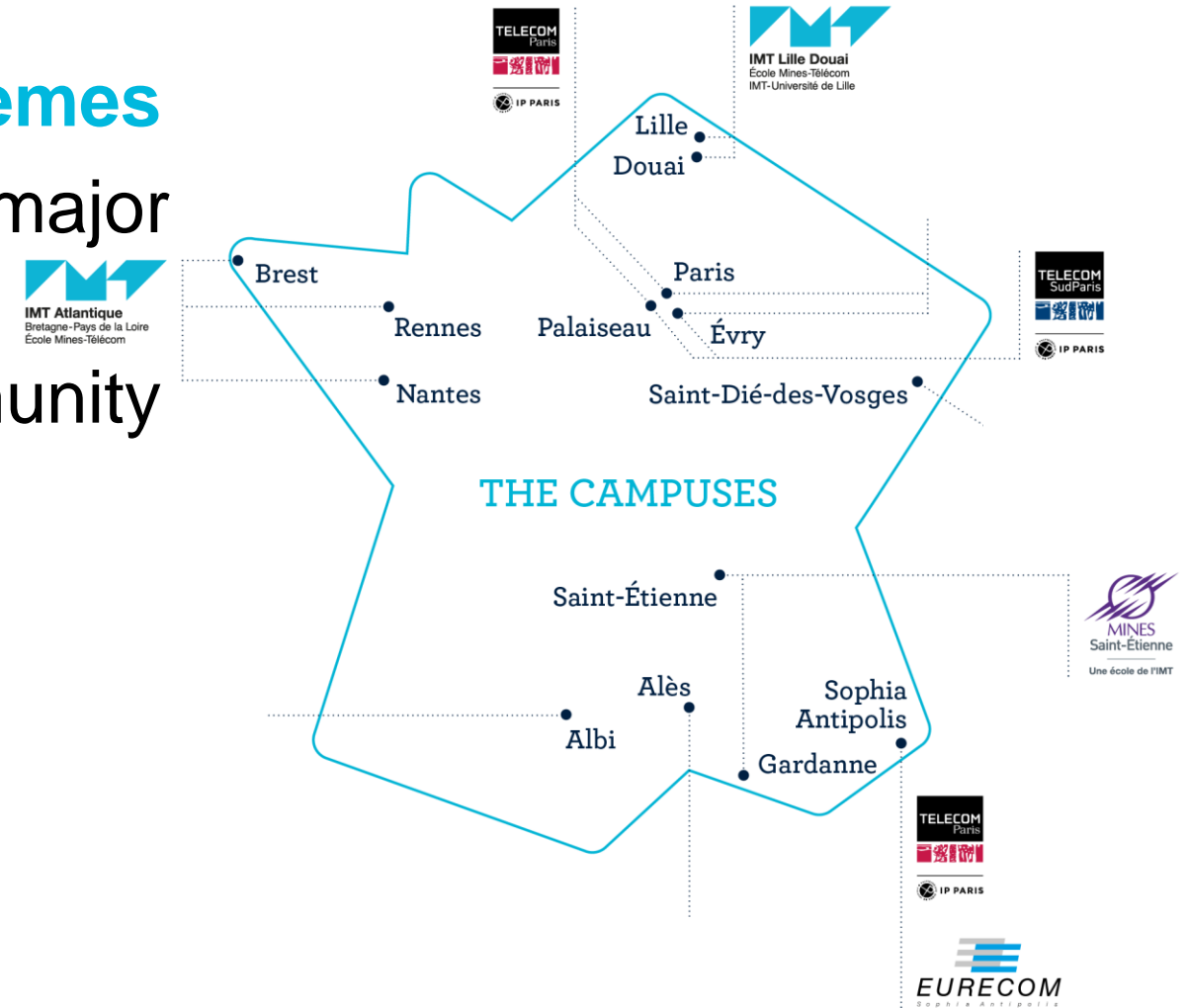
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### ■ One of 10 IMT national themes

- Aiming at developing new major projects
- Nurturing a dynamic community
- Fostering collaboration of education and research centres and teams

### ■ Across IMT Centres



■ Main research areas address all facets of:

- Future Networks and services ( ⊂ 5G and 6G), wireless communications at large and IoT
  - **Full span** : Physical layer to applications. Architecture, protocols, services, applications  
All segments: Devices, Access, Edge, Core, Cloud

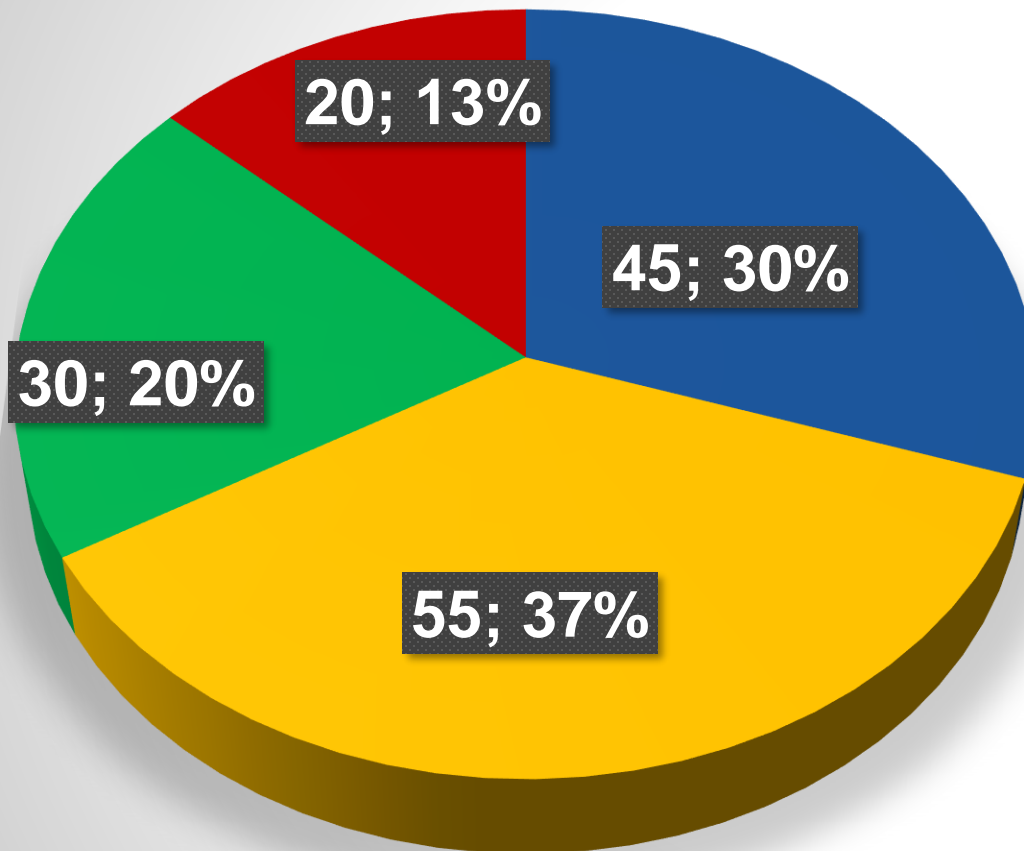
Coarse Research Clustering								
Communications and connectivity		Networks, services, distributed system and networking			IoT Embedded Systems		Physical Layer Electronics and Hardware	
Application areas and verticals								
Industry 4.0 Manufacturing	Energy	Health	Transportation	Automotive	Media	Agriculture	Smart Envts.	Public Safety
Underlying aspects								
Safety, security, protection			Rely on : AI, ML,OR, and SDN/NFV/Cloud principles					

■ Faculty and Graduates

- 150 Faculty members & ~500 Ph. D. students, Post-Docs & Research Assistants combined
- ~25 M€ average external funding per year across all education & research centers

# NETWORKS and IoT RESEARCH ACTIVITIES CLUSTERING

## Faculty Coarse Research Activities Clustering



- 150 Faculty Members
- 500 DS, Post-Docs and Ras
- ~ 600 publications/Y, ~30% journals

- Communications/connectivity/PHY
- Networks and services
- IoT and Embedded Systems
- Security and related issues

**Note: All teams and Faculty addressing the evolution of networks and introducing AI**

# Major R&D projects

## PRIVATE PUBLIC PARTNERSHIPS / COLLABORATIVE PROJECTS

### ■ Beyond 5G – French recovery Plan

- ~10 M€ involving Thales SIX GTS, Ericsson, EURECOM and Institut Mines-Télécom (IMT)
  - IMT Atlantique
  - IMT Nord Europe
  - Télécom Paris
- Sovereign and independent Beyond 5G networks and services supporting cooperation and symbiosis between R&D and Verticals
- Harnessed solutions and technologies at access and core network levels including associated and fully independent control, management and security architectures and planes.

### ■ PIIEC Electronique et connectivité (on going)

### ■ PEPR 5G et Futures technologies de telecommunication

- IMT is one of the 3 leading institutions tasked with organizing this 65 M€ national research plan

### ■ Several other joint actions in the context of the recovery plan 5 and 6G

- Health, Multi sectorial Federation, ...

# **Selected non-exhaustive Research activities, projects and collaborations**

# Selected Joint LABs



## PRIVATE PUBLIC PARTENERSHIPS / JOINT LABS AND PROJECTS

### ■ SEIDO LAB : Télécom Paris-EDF

- Involves Télécom SudParis and Mines St Etienne as well
- Slicing and orchestration, Open RAN; Multi-RAT, Edge computing, Cybersecurity

### ■ AIYD-F2N : Télécom SudParis-DAVIDSON (SME) joint LAB

- AI and dynamic modeling for future flexibles networks

### ■ LINCIS: Inria, UPMC, Nokia, IRT SystemX

- Future information and communication networks, systems and services.

### ■ Intelligent Network Control LAB Télécom SudParis-Airbus (ADS)

- Develop an ML/AI based network control plane with partial observation of heterogeneous networking segments with their own independent security perimeter

### ■ I4C (Interoperability for Clouds) Télécom SudParis – BYO Networks joint LAB

- Network services composition that leads to interoperable multi-cloud services and systems, ensures portability and prevents lock in
- GAIA-X related activities at European level

# PRIVATE PUBLIC PARTENERSHIPS AND VALORISATION ACTIONS

## ■ Industrial partners

- SMEs (EELM, Amarisoft, Davidson, BYO Networks,...) Large scale/corporate (Nokia, Orange, Airbus, Safran, Atos, Thalès, CISCO, EDF, etc), spanning from telecommunications sector to verticals

## ■ Platforms

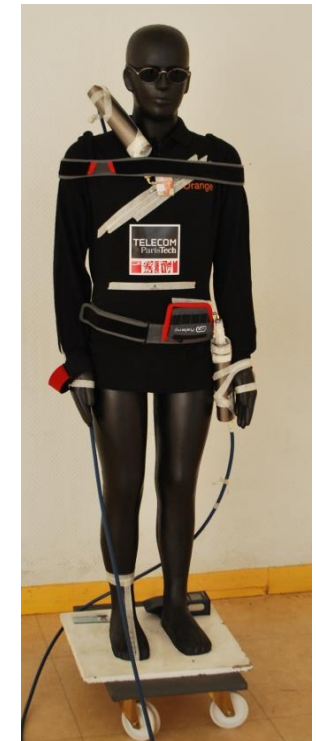
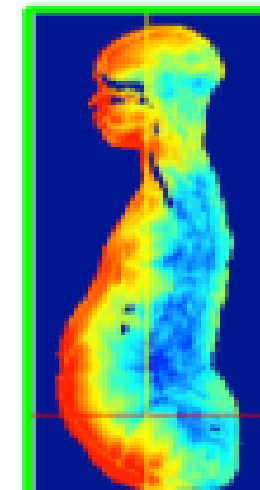
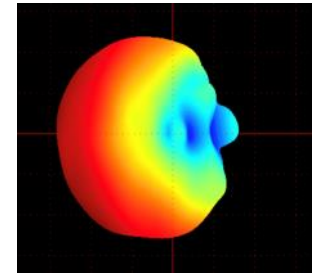
- Lisp-lab (Internet du futur), SILECS (Future IoT), SDR 5G, NCF (Networks and Clouds Experimental Platform)
- **Futur Industries Pilots:** IT'M Factory (Full Industry 4.0 environment with all associated technologies including AR, VR, MAR,...) and DIWII offering an experimental Industry 4.0 production line

## ■ Open source

- OpenLISP, CCNSim, VIGIE (wireless networks monitoring/metrology), ETSO (SFC/NFV Orchestrator)

# Selected Platforms (sample)

- **Developing mathematical and experimental methods**
  - Digital methods (Finite-Difference Time-Domain, Finite Integration)
  - Statistical modeling
  - Machine Learning
- **Developing Dosimetry tool**
  - Stochastic dosimetry
  - Development of anatomical models
  - Impact of novel networks and usage
- **Electromagnetic Exposure characterization**
  - exposure induced by a network or by wireless communication systems on a population .
  - exposure induced by wireless systems near the human body.
- **Contribution to standardization**



Experimentation room in ISM band (802.15.4, Wifi, LORA) and  
Cellular experimentation room (2G, 3G, 4G, NB-IoT, 5G)



The two facilities are part of the national platform SILECS <https://www.silecs.net/>.

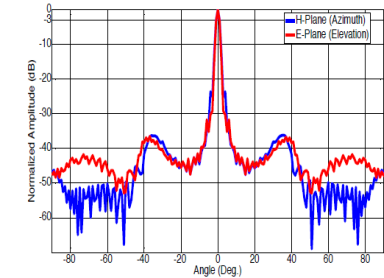
# **Selected Research Activities Teams involved in Networks and IoT**

## Antenna design in the mm range <100GHz

- W-band (92-95GHz) wireless system for radio distribution of high speed internet everywhere.

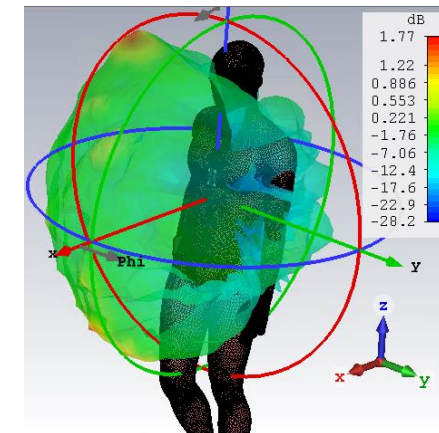


**92-94 GHz**  
**Realized gain 38 dB**  
**Beamwidth 2°**



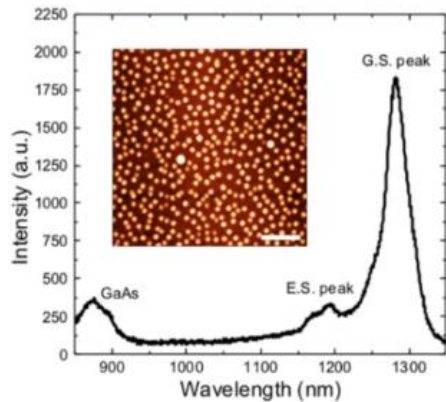
## IoT context – On-body sensor network:

- Influence of the indoor environment On Body Area Network
- Statistical modeling combining measurements with full-wave Electromagnetic and Ray Tracing simulations

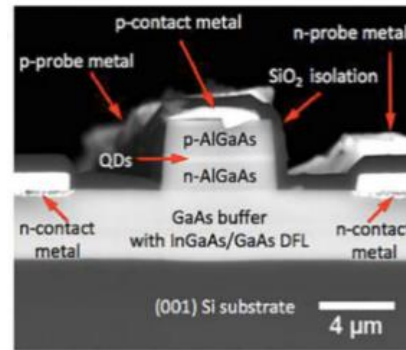


## Quantum sources for optical communications

Quantum dots on silicon

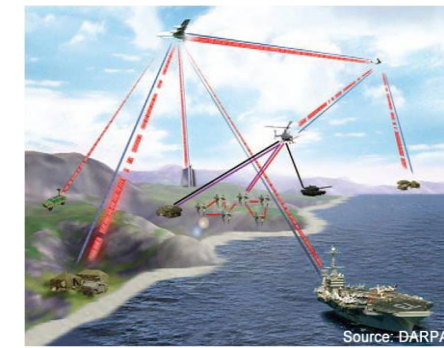


Laser structure

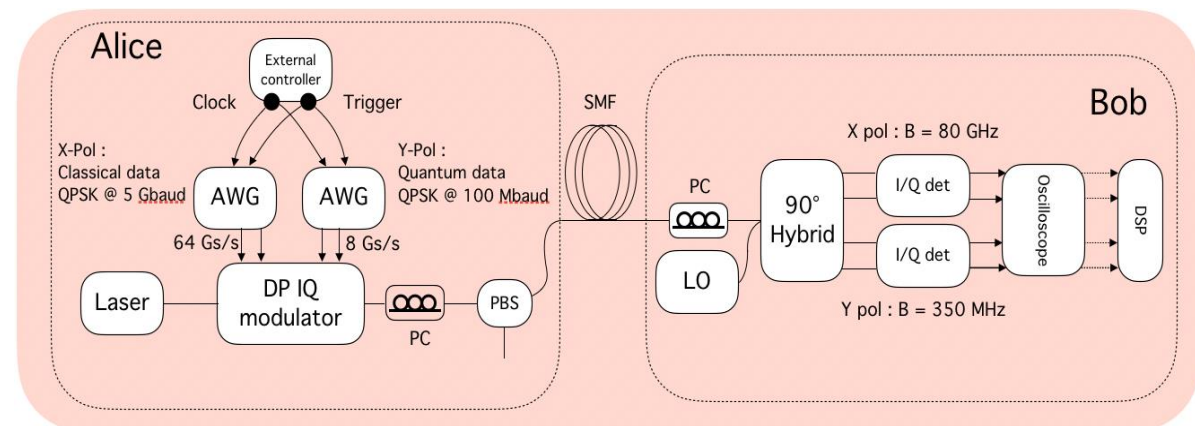


Work with UCSB

Quantum cascade laser



## Quantum Cryptography on classical channels





## ■ Use of caching for local storage of contents

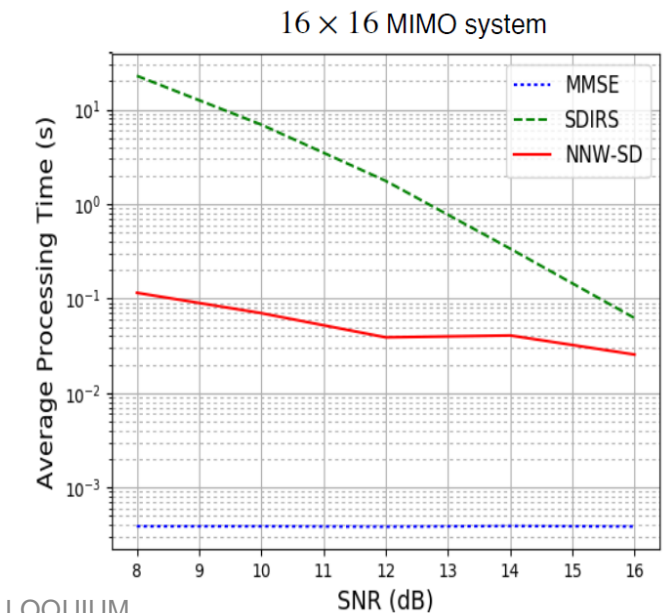
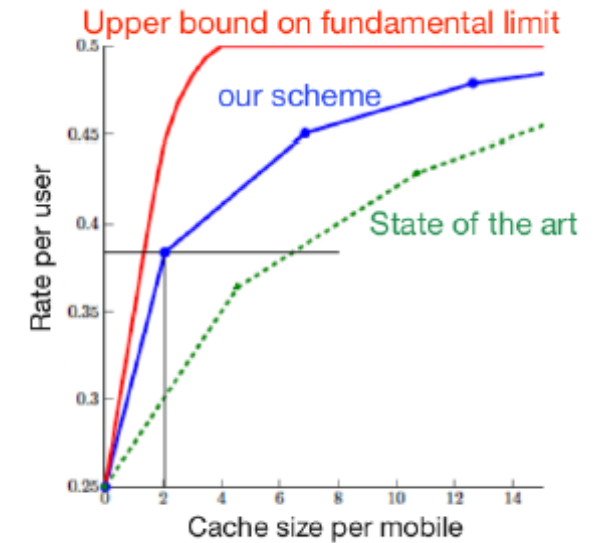
- Communication cost reduction
- Contention reduction

## ■ Our results

- Upper bound derivation for caching
- Best coding scheme based on Polar codes

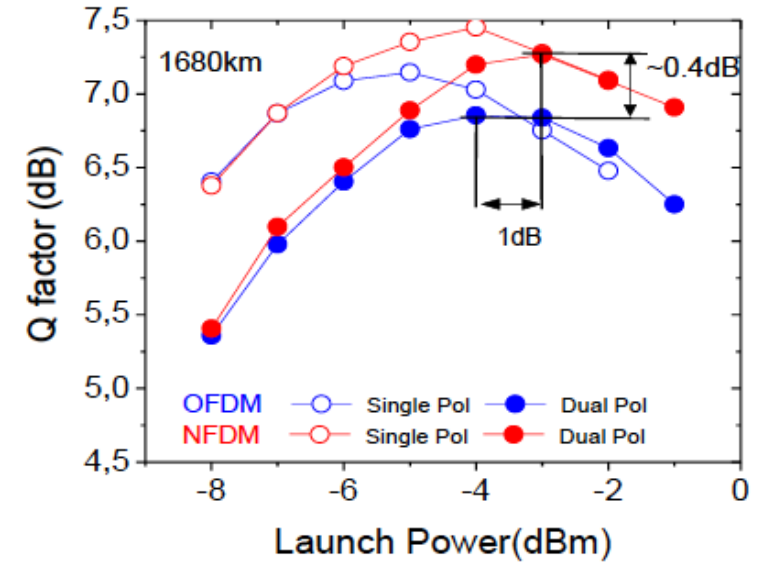
## ■ MIMO Decoding using Sphere decoder and Neural Networks

- MIMO decoding is an energy and time consuming task
- A new Neural Network sphere decoder was proposed with a time reduction factor of 100 compared to conventional solution



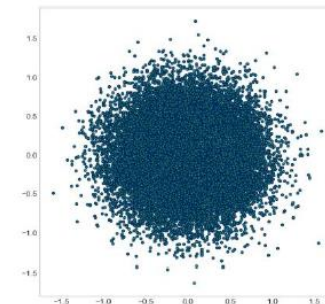
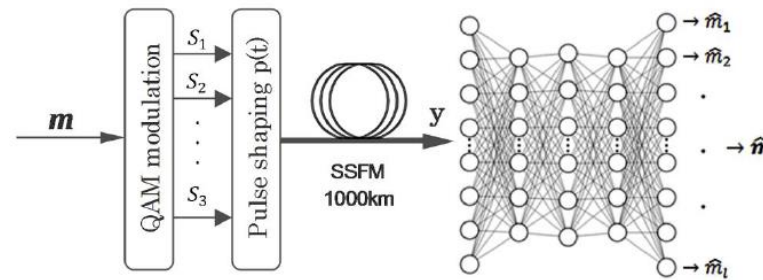
## ■ Nonlinear Fourier Transform (ERC Grant)

- First demonstration of NFT on optical communication with polarization multiplexing

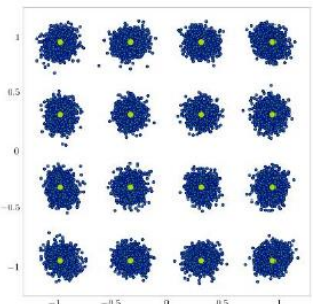


## ■ Optical communication using AI

- Receiver design based on neural networks
- Nonlinear channel is learned using training data



Before equal.



After equal.



Silecs

a large-scale and flexible testbed for experiment-driven research from **small connected objects to the large data centres**

SaMuRaï

a Green Data Center **completely** powered by renewable energy

Grid'5000

a large-scale and flexible testbed for experiment-driven research in a **(distributed) system**

SeDuCe

a Green Data Center **partially** powered by renewable energy

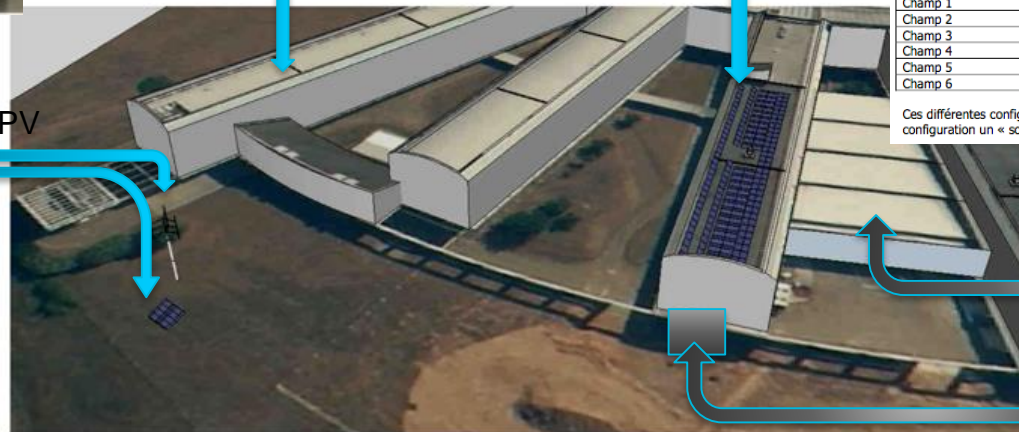


Salle Machine  
1000 Cœurs



Panneaux photovoltaïques  
40kWc

SuiveurS PV  
3kWc  
3kWc



Le calepinage des modules devra proposer les configurations suivantes :

N° champ	Type de module	Inclinaison / Orientation
Champ 1	Poly cristallin	30° Sud
Champ 2	Mono cristallin	30° Sud
Champ 3	Poly cristallin	5° Est/Ouest
Champ 4	Mono cristallin	5° Est/Ouest
Champ 5	Poly cristallin	0°
Champ 6	Mono cristallin	0°

Ces différentes configurations, doivent être réparties 6 onduleurs smart-grid. Nous appellerons chaque configuration un « sous-système ».

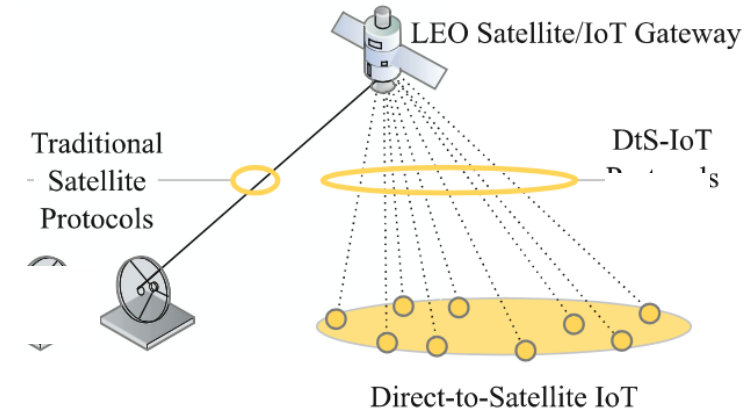
Internet of Things

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## PAST AND ON-GOING WORKS

## CPM (Continuous Phase Modulation)

- Enhanced spectral efficiency through precoding [1]
- Coherent detection with reduced-complexity / robust towards parameters uncertainties [2-3]
- Detection with blind Doppler-compensation in Sat-IoT
- Synchronisation for AIS systems
- Compressed-sensing techniques for multi-user detection in CPM-based sporadic communications [4]



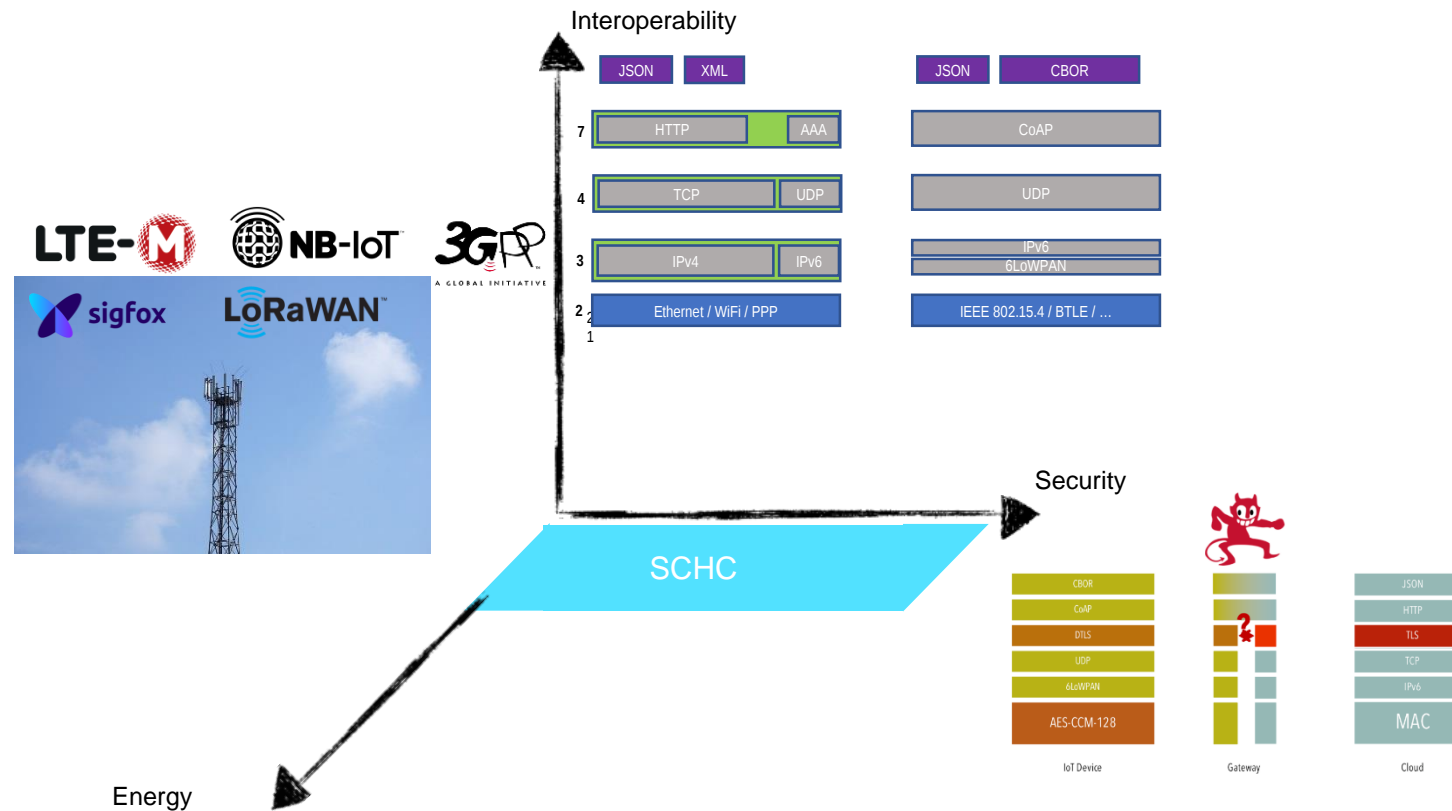
## Coding

- Trade-off between overhead and code length for short-frame transmissions [5]

Predistortion techniques for satellite communications (DVB-S2X) [6]

# RÉSEAUX & IOT @ IMT ATLANTIQUE

## MASSIVE IOT // PROTOCOLS, ARCHITECTURE AND STANDARDIZATION



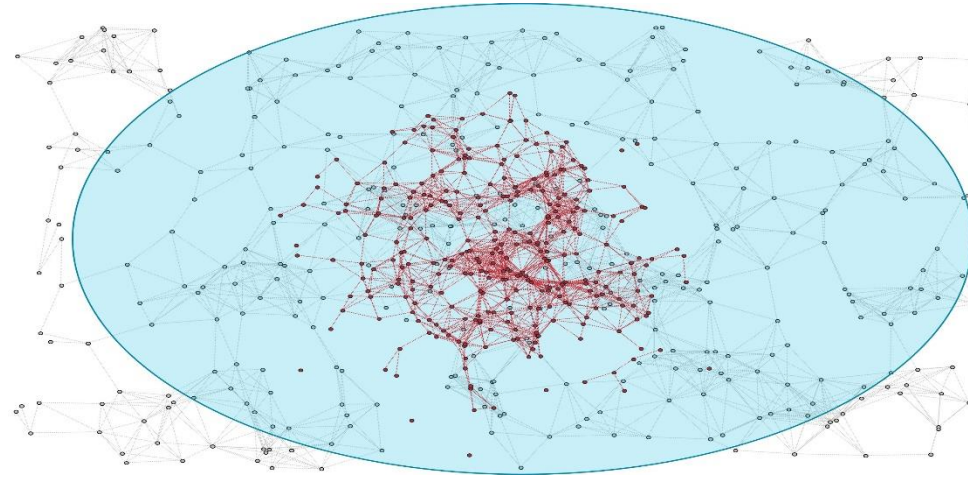
## IETF RFC 8724: SCHC STATIC CONTEXT HEADER COMPRESSION

Today, IETF SCHC achieves what the entire community thought impossible before 2016: transporting IP protocols over constrained LPWAN networks.

### Modeling interference

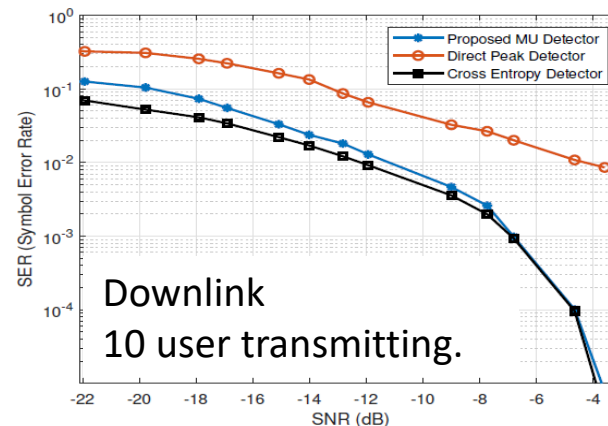
Multivariate distributions

- Alpha-stable marginals for the impulsive behavior
- Copula to model the dependence structure



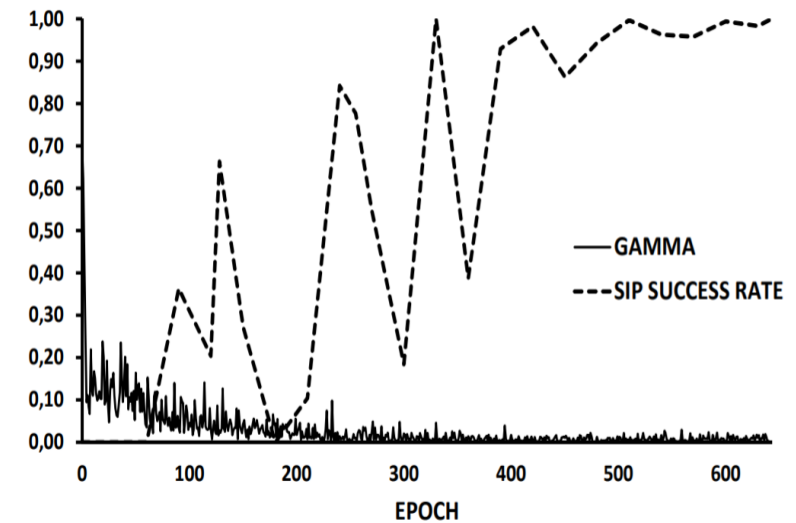
### Increase connected devices

Power Domain NOMA and Multiuser detection in LoRa. Uplink (Serial Interference Cancellation) and Downlink



### Session Initiation Protocol

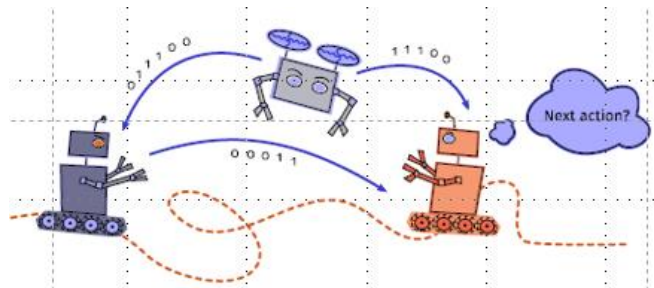
Generative Adversarial Networks for detecting anomalies or attacks in the SIP.



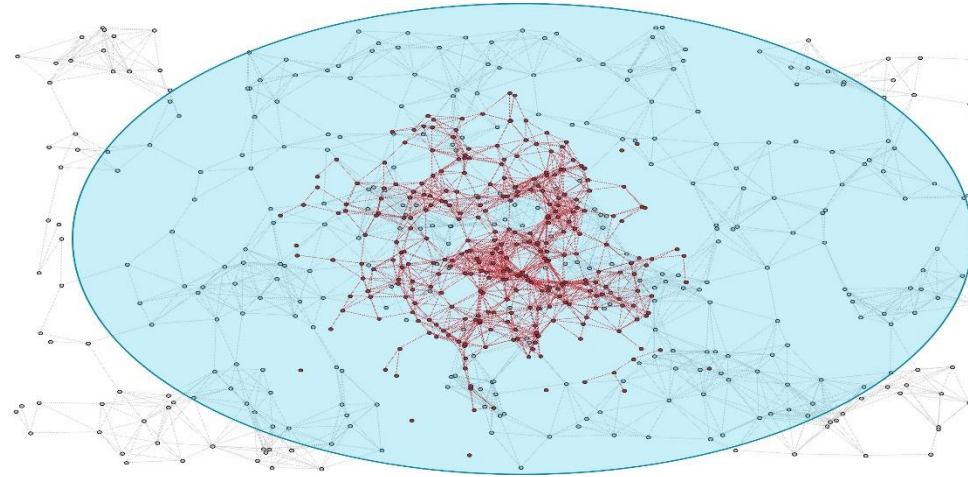
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### Efficient code design for finite-blocklength coordination

- New finite blocklength theoretical bounds
- Practical codes for coordination

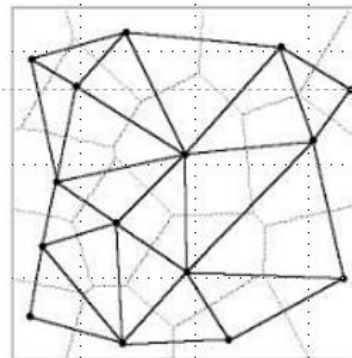


G Cervia *et al.*, IEEE Trans. on IT, 2020



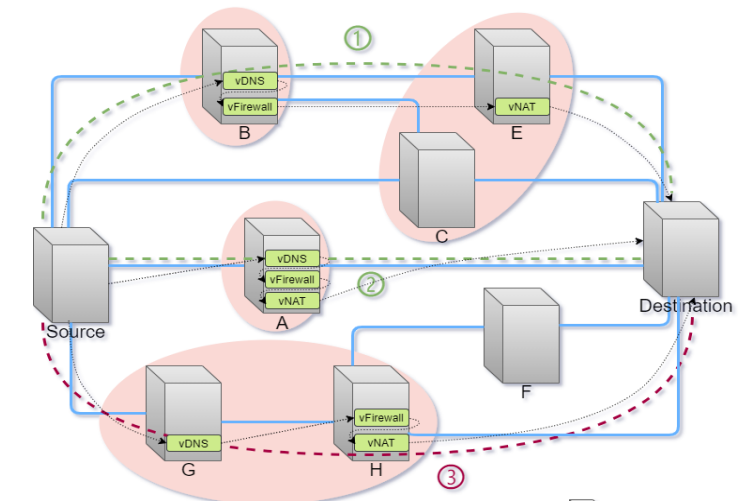
### D2D connectivity

- Optimal resource allocation
- Percolation on Delaunay Triangulation



### Disaster-Resilient Service Function Chaining (SFC)

- Resilient placement of network functions
- Multiple disjoint working-paths for SFC
- Optimisation : ILP and heuristique

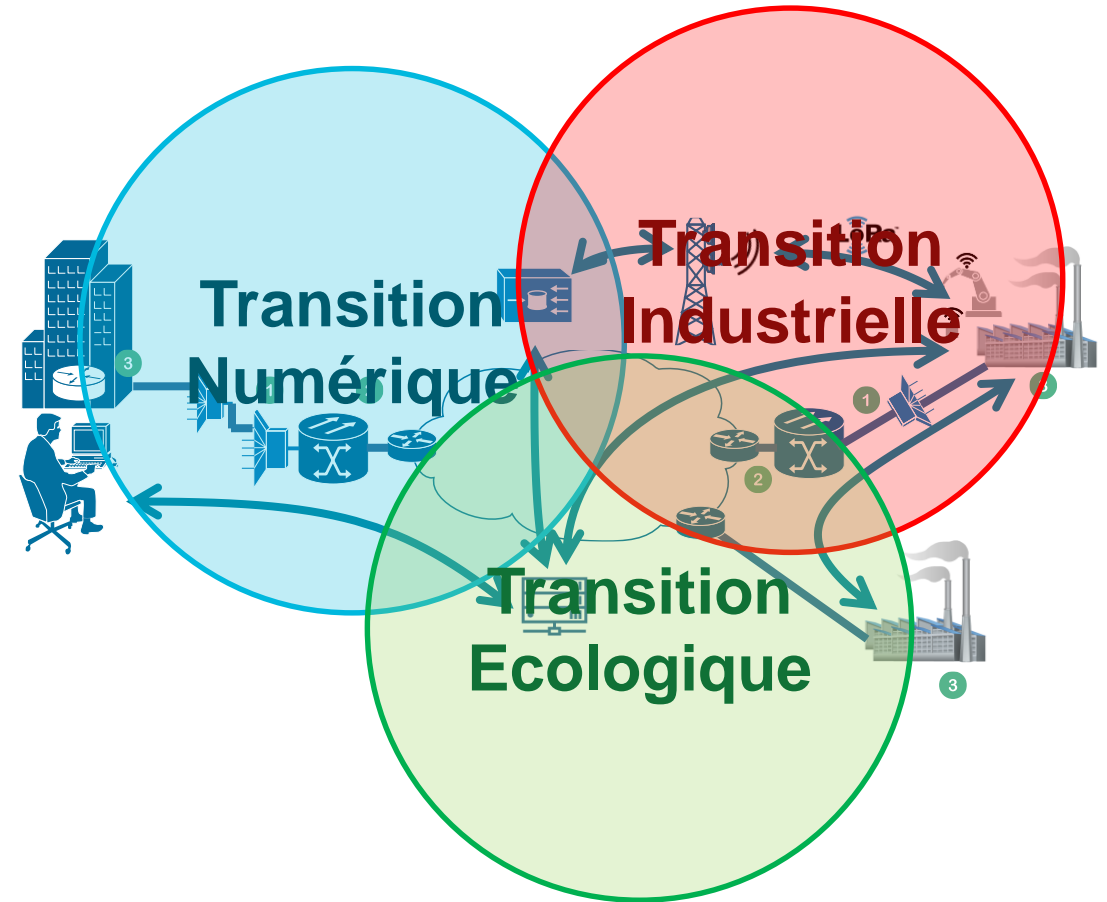


Sixu Cai *et al.*, IEEE Infocom'21

- Institut Henri Fayol : 4 teams
  - Computer science and intelligent systems
  - Mathematical and industrial engineering
  - Environmental and organizational engineering
  - Responsible management and innovation

Network is the heart  
of the transformation of the society

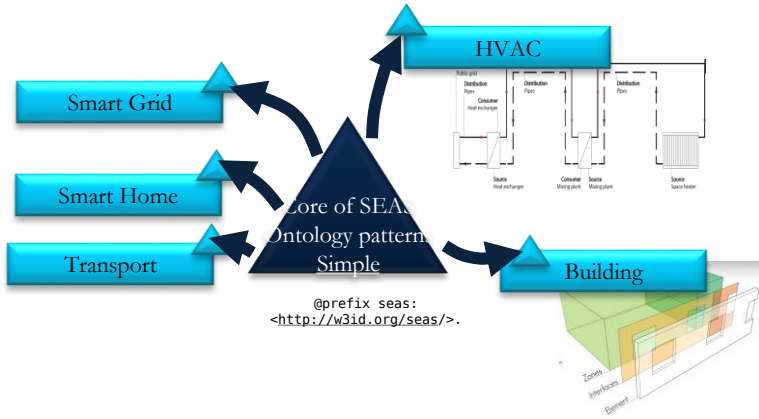
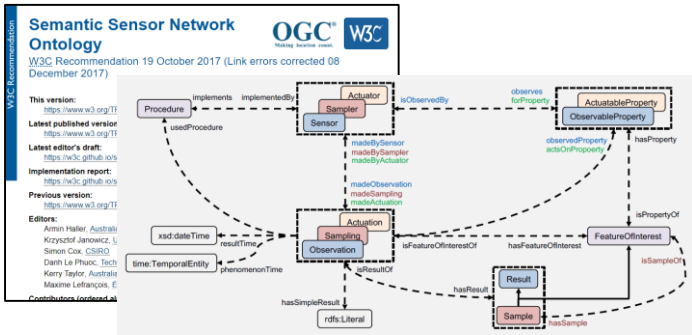
Territory and Industry 4.0 platform



Efficiency, Resilience and Sustainability of the Industry and Territories of the Future



- Semantic interoperability in future industry context
- Standardization Activities
  - OGC & W3C Semantic Sensor Networks
  - ETSI : Smart Applications REFERENCE (SAREF) + ETSI Smart BAN



### ■ Projects



Systèmes d'information pour robot assistant mobile

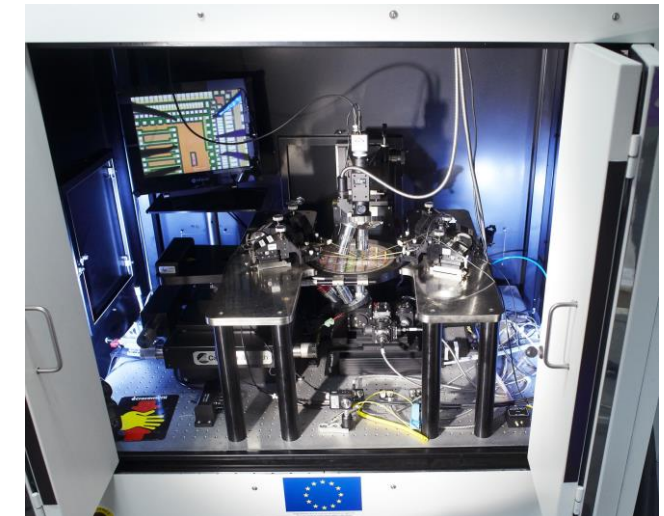


Constrained Semantic Web of Things



hypermedia communities of People and autonomous agents

- MSE / CEA Collaboration : joint Team
- Hardware security of Integrated systems, objects, and embedded systems.
  - Characterization, modeling and protection
- State of art experimental facilities
  - Attacks through fault injection and observation
  - Machine learning, embedded neural networks attacks
  - Cryptography and applied cryptography: vulnerabilities, : efficient, safe and trusted integration
  - New system/hardware architectures: RISC V (ASICs, FPGA)

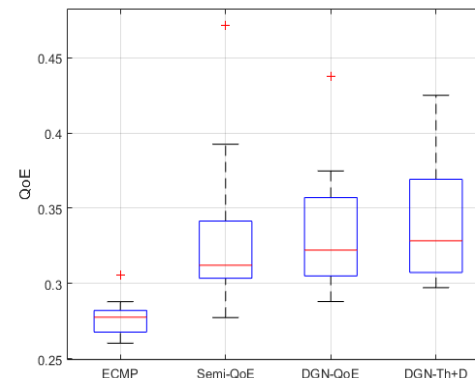
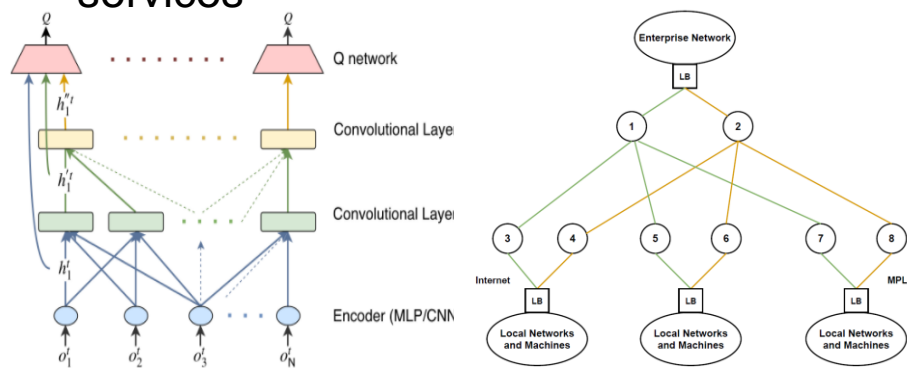


## ■ R3S: Networks, services, systems and security

- Networks and Services Science and Engineering
- Networks and services design, modeling, representation, description, performance evaluation and optimization
- Sharing, configuration, control and management (of the lifecycle) of networks, services and resources
- Evolution towards programmable and dynamic infrastructures
- E2E Distributed intelligence and multi-agent based cooperation
- Data & model driven science & engineering of networks & services

## ■ R3S: On going research

- Resource allocation and network optimization
- Slicing, services/networks virtualisation
- Data driven services & networks optimization
- ML and AI techniques and modeling frameworks (e.g.: MDP, MPC, ML, DL, RL)
- Test and monitoring and validation
- Behavior analysis, anomaly detection, prediction
- Energy efficiency in networks and systems
- Large scope in terms of addressed networks and infrastructures, includes verticals



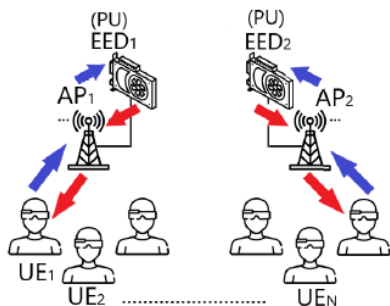
MARL and GCRL based Smart Load Balancing

## ■ METHODES: Methods and models for networks and services

### ● Combining networks, computer science and applied mathematics

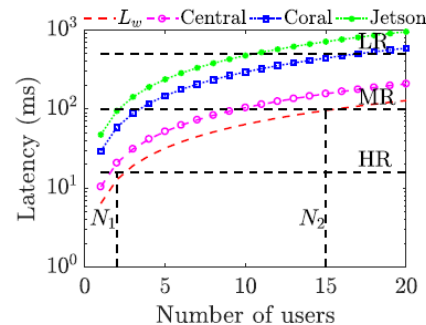
- Optimization, test and validation and performance evaluation.
- Fundamental and Applied Science based on methods including:
  - graph theory, stochastic bounds, stochastic modeling, formal methods, robust optimization, queuing theory, game theory, Markov decision processes, aggregation, etc...

Cloud at the Edge study



## ■ On going research

- Resource allocation in networks (4/5/6G)
- ML and AI techniques
- Robust Optimization
- Quadratic programming
- Graphs and combinatorial optimization
- Distributed Optimization
- Diffusion and dynamics of information and opinions
- Data analysis
- Verification and proof, formal models, test and validation



## PRIORITIES @ TSP

- “Network Engineering and Science”
  - Distribution and cooperation via multi-agent cooperative systems
- Softwarization, SDN/NFV/Slicing, Radio slicing
  - Service architecture Evolution (B5G and 6G), Internet of Things, Digital Twins
- Applied AI, Edge Continuum, Intelligent control and management systems
  - Network operating models for verticals, energy efficiency and green challenges

## ■ Math programming and optimization

- Partitioning and cover in graphs
- Multi-source maximal concurrent flow in graphs
- Dominance in k-independent clusters
- Multipolar approach to robust optimization

## ■ Complex networks and systems verification

- Verifications, Proofs,
- Monitoring, Test

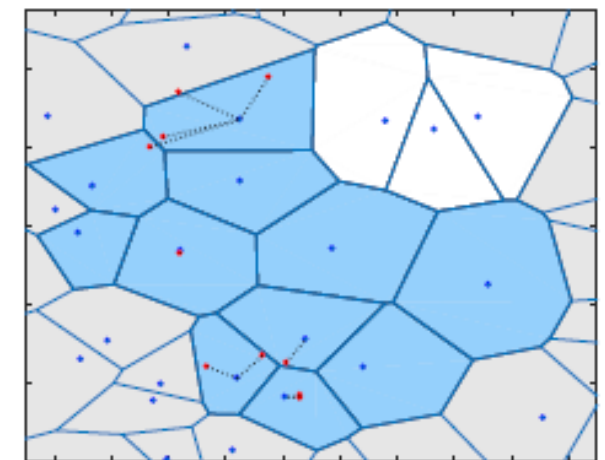
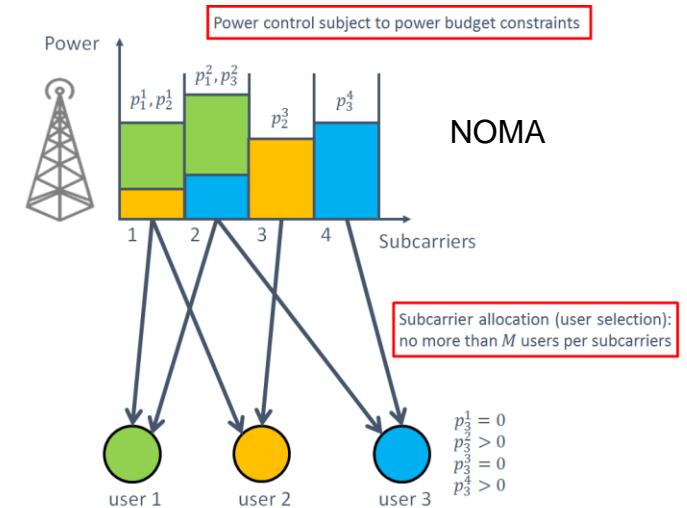
## ■ Performance evaluation models for dynamic networks

- MDP, MCP, Learning, prediction
- Resource allocation in all types of networks and multi domain and technologies context

- Focus on Large scale networks and operated/managed systems
  - Wireless communications and networks
  - Future Internet and IoT
  - Cloud and Virtualization
  
- Methods and Methodology: From theory to practice and vice versa
  - Experiments and metrology
  - Architectures and Protocols
  - Algorithms design and mathematical modeling

# SAMPLE ACTIVITIES AT TÉLÉCOM PARIS - RMS TEAM

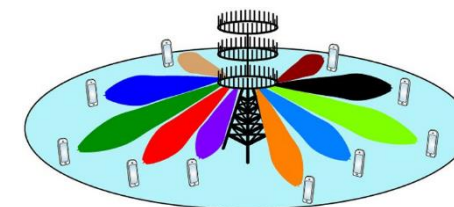
- NOMA resource allocation, joint power and sub-carrier allocation problem
- Network MIMO for mission critical communications
  - Cell clustering algorithms, MIMO transceivers, PHY layer security schemes
- Telemetry & Automation
  - Network Telemetry & Analysis
    - ML Analysis of measures, extracting service statistics from simple measure (ML)
  - Network Automation
    - Traffic Engineering methods (re-optimization of the network)
- OpenRAN in 5/6G
  - Free5GRAN, Telemetry Probe for 5G
    - Scheduling (end-to-end isolation of slices), allocation and placement of resources of virtualized functions for NB-IoT, IoT 5G
    - Resource allocation in RAN (Interference reduction, robustness, ...)



Network MIMO for MCC



- Goal: Predict fundamental limits and design limit-approaching methods and algorithms using
  1. Communication theory
  2. Machine learning & decentralized learning
  3. Network science
- Key topics (2021)
  1. Massive MIMO (mMIMO)
  2. Robot-augmented IoT
  3. RF sensing & Localization
  4. Caching
  5. AI-driven resource allocation



H2020: 2 ERC Projects, 3 ITN Marie Curie Projects,

# EURECOM FUTURE NETWORK RESEARCH : NETWORKED SYSTEMS & EXPERIMENTS

## 5G radio access and network virtualization

- Cloud radio access network and virtualization of radio access network (SDN, NFV)
- Service-based architecture to support Slicing
- Network store
- 5G/6G standardization

## Edge Computing

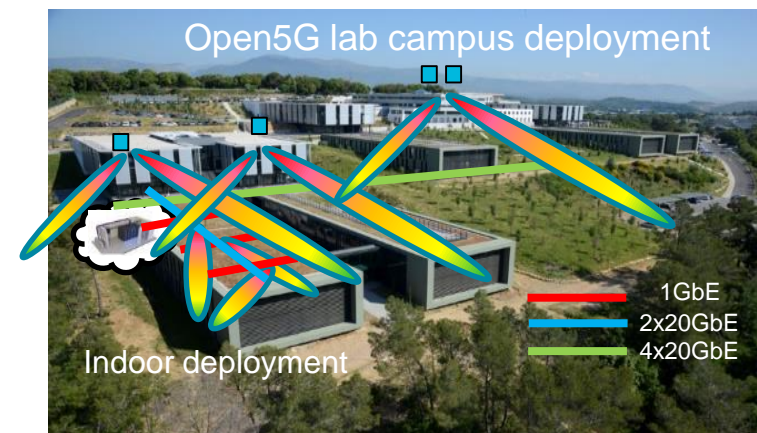
- Cloud-edge continuum
- Compute first networking (identify computing opportunities)

## ITS

- V2X communication (ITS-G5, C-V2X)
- 5G-assisted Connected Cooperative Automated Mobility (CCAM)
- ML/AI - assisted mobility and transportation optimization

## 5G outdoor test site deployment

- Used in several H2020 – collaboration with INRIA – integration with Orange 5G equipment in Paris
- Mmwave radio (outdoor tests – 26GHz)





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Future Networks & Services

Colloquium 14/10/2021

THANKS FOR YOUR ATTENTION

COMMENTS /QUESTIONS ?

