

Smart 6G Edge Node Interfaces

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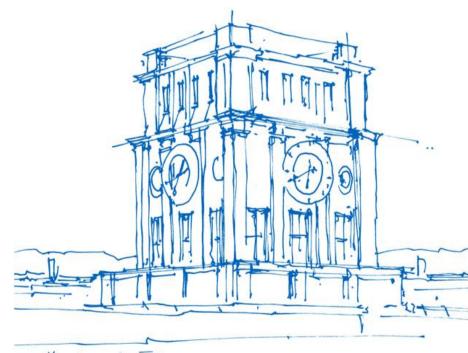
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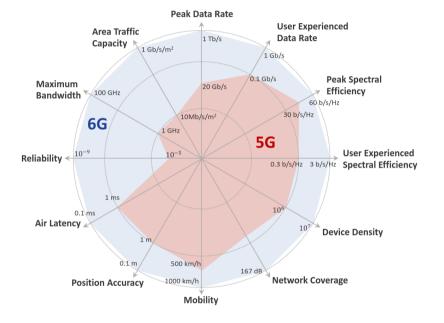


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Objectives & Challenges for 6G Evolution



Source: Semiconductor Engineering – Multiple Hurdles in the Race to 6G (08/2023)

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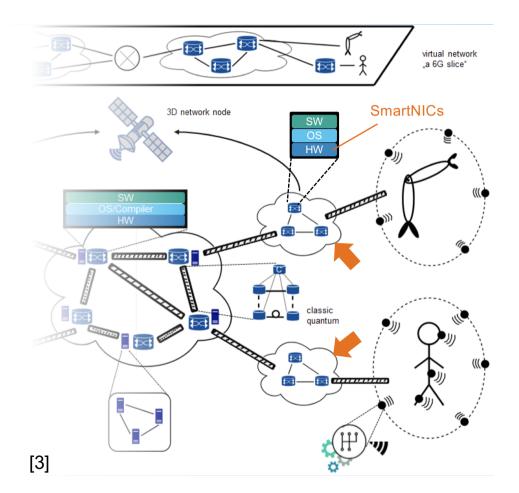
Targets [1]:

- < 1 ms round trip latency
- > 1 Gb/s average user experienced data rate
- < two orders of magnitude better energy efficiency

Challenges [2,4]:

- User mobility
- Large number of devices
- Variety of services
- → Large, short-term fluctuations in traffic and compute loads

Objectives & Challenges for 6G Evolution



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Targets [1]:

- < 1 ms round trip latency
- > 10 Gb/s user experienced data rate
- < two orders of magnitude better energy efficiency

Challenges [2,4]:

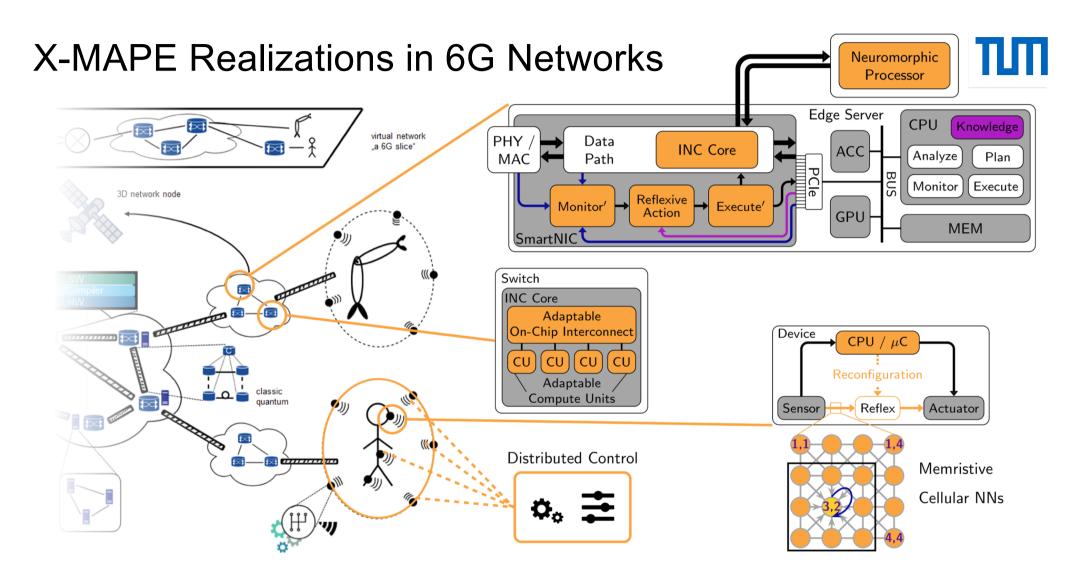
- User mobility
- Large number of devices
- Variety of services
- → Large, short-term fluctuations in traffic and compute loads
- → Energy-efficient, adaptive SmartNICs



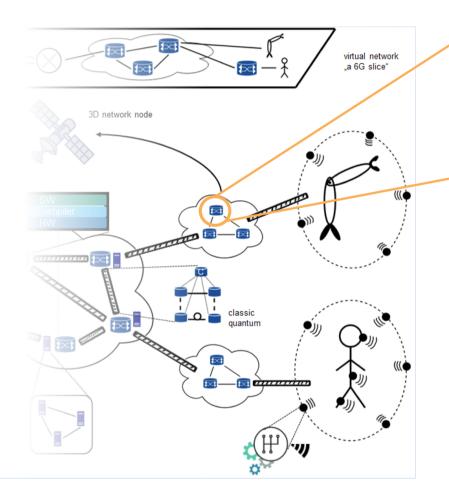
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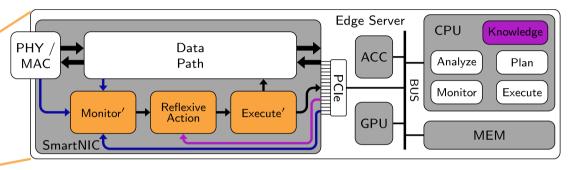
X-MAPE: Reflex-enhanced Computing Can become computationally expensive for complex systems \rightarrow Still executed for optimization and continuous learning Predefined, immediate reaction to known input condition **Cloud Computing** Hierarchical Architecture of 6G Networks Big Data, Global Optimization **†**‡‡ Analyze Plan Edge Servers / INC Reflexive Action Low-latency Roundtrip, Powerful Processing **Devices** Knowledge Monitor Execute Sensor/Actuator Control, Local Processing System Sensors Actuators

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Reflex-enhanced SmartNIC





Reflexes:

- Power management (e.g. DVFS of CPU cores)
- Offloading / Forwarding to other nodes in case of overload

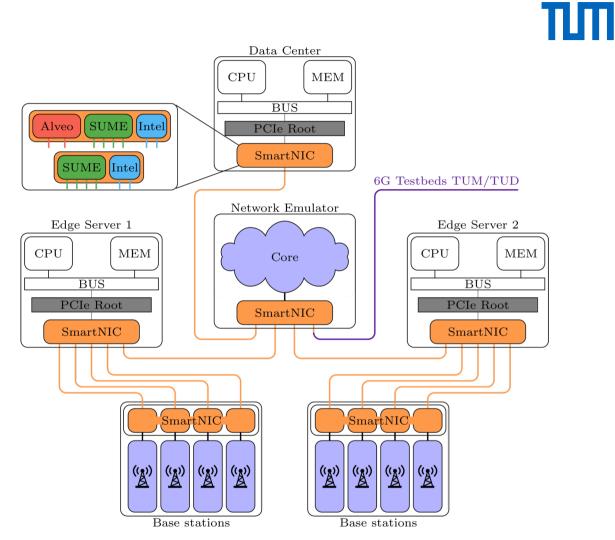
Enabled by:

- Configurable LUTs/MATs for system-level reflexive decisions
- Threshold-based triggering of reflexes
- Federated Learning-based Control Layer to configure trigger conditions and actions in MATs

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Network Testbed @ LIS





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Demo: AI-assisted Load-aware Service Migration



Platform for Al-aware End-to-End 6G Networks

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Scenario 1:

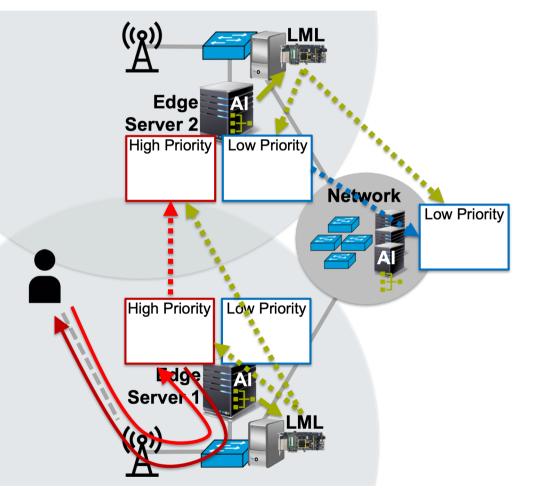
Static Processing
 → High Latencies

Scenario 2:

- Processing follows User
- Predictive Service Migration (AI)
 → Prevents Network Latencies

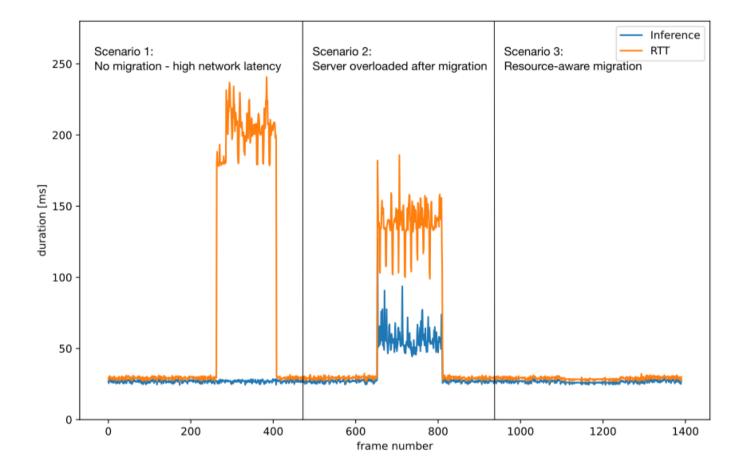
Scenario 3:

- Processing follows User
- Predictive Service Migration (AI)
- Predictive Ressource Relocation (Al)
 → Prevents Overloads



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Demo: AI-assisted Load-aware Service Migration



Take Aways ...



- 6G isn't just "next generation wireless communications"
- Requires innovations across the entire "chain of stakeholders" towards a holistic 6G end-to-end system architecture:
 - ... from smart sensor/actuator technologies,
 - to new forms of decision-making with adaptive and even functional transforming hardware concepts
 - and holistic consideration of sensing, networking & computing in the network edge and core

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