

## Explore the broadband technologies for the Metaverse

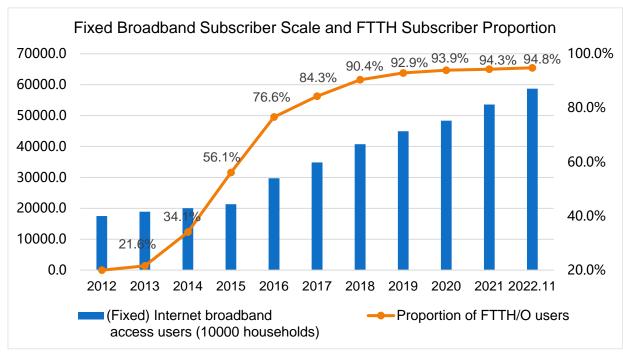
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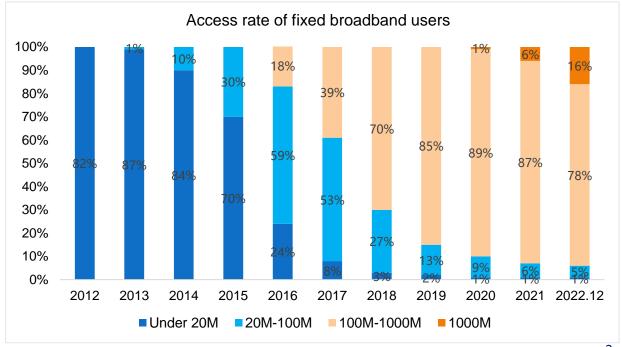
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## Fixed broadband network in China: Using optical fiber instead of copper wire

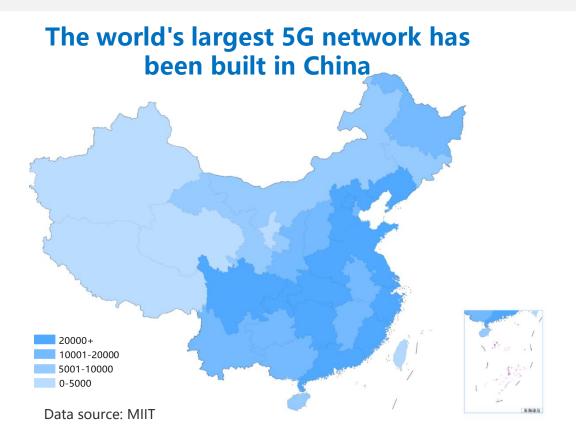
- FTTH covers almost all households in urban and rural areas. All cities have been built into optical network cities, laying a foundation for gigabit development.
- The proportion of fiber optic users to fixed broadband users has risen from 18% in 2010 to 94.8% at the end of Nov. 2022, ranking among the top five in the world.
- As of the end of 2022, country's gigabit optical network has the ability to cover more than 500 million households and the number of broadband users with access rates of 1000Mbps and above has reached 91.75 million, ranking first in the world.





### Mobile broadband in China: From popularization to 5G commercial use

- The 4G network in China has achieved latecomer catch-up, and the scale of 4G base stations accounts for more than half of the global total.
- The world largest 5G SA network has been built in China, including 2.312 million 5G base stations (accounting for more than 60% of the world, covering all cities and county towns in the country), and 561 million 5G mobile users.





At the end of 2022, China has built 2.312 million 5G base stations

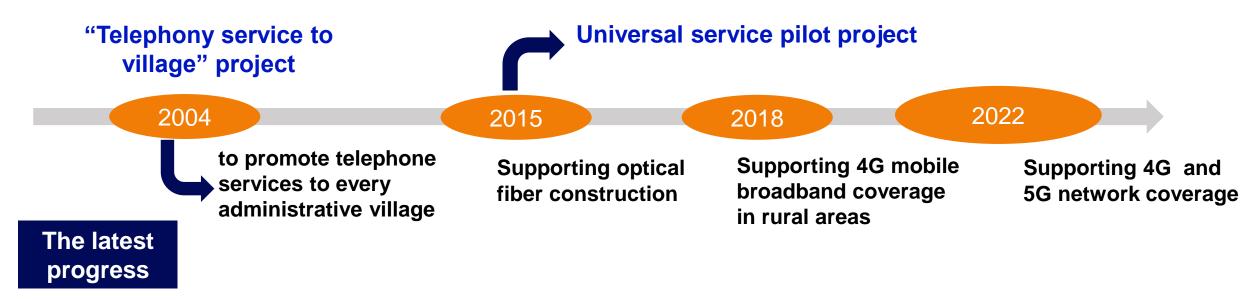


The number of 5G mobile phone users has reached 561 million



5G innovative applications have played an enabling role in many industries such as industry, transportation, and medical care, with more than 20,000 application cases covering 40 major categories of the national economy

## Telecommunication universal service is being further promoted

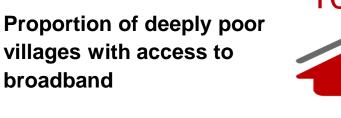


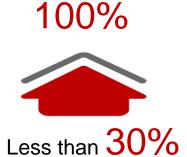
✓ It has supported the construction of optical fiber networks in 130,000 administrative villages and more than 70,000 4G base stations in rural areas.





✓ Administrative villages and cities have basically realized "the same network, the same speed ". ✓ By the end of 2021, all administrative villages have access to broadband network and the problem of communication difficulties in remote and areas has been historically resolved.





## Metaverse partly conforms to the inevitable trend in the future digital world

- Metaverse is a continuation of the natural imagination of this trend, as the virtual and the real are becoming more and more integrated and the focus of the world is shifting to the virtual world.
- New elements and new business forms of next generation Internet, 3D immersive experience, uniform user ID, UGC content revenue expectation and human-oriented intelligent terminals, a new network society that integrates the real and the virtual and is open and connected.
- The concept of Metaverse covers a diverse, broad spectrum of technologies and leaves great room for imagination in the future.



43% of users use mobile social software for two to three hours a day

Work



29% of online office meeting users are willing to pay

## Creating new experience: Immersive experience of Metaverse, the Metaverse digital world is no longer subordinate to the physical world

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integration virtuality

People's further demand for a better life has put forward new requirements for forms of experiencing digital information, and "free and immersive" Internet experience has become the "new" demand as regular iterations in the dimension of audio and visual quality, such as resolution and frame rate, can hardly bring about an incremental leap in user experience.





Present

virtuality and reality

The virtual world



Two Paths to Immersive Experience in Metaverse That Integrates the Real and the Virtual



#### Focus on the direction of development

Form of information in Metaverse 2D→ 3D

Mode of interaction in Metaverse Weak interaction→

**Strong interaction** 

The development and opening of Metaverse immersive business forms depends on the upgrade of the industrial ecosystem of 2D weak interaction technologies to that of 3D strong interaction

## **Key Scenario 1:** A redefinition of "reality" by Metaverse, transforming the virtual into the real

• Metaverse will trigger a redefinition of the "real world" by human beings and is expected to become a personalized "holographic" life assistant for humanity, which can push the right information to the right people in an appropriate virtual-real form wherever and whenever appropriate.





The current real world

A homogeneous, static reality (the physical world)

The "new" real world in Metaverse

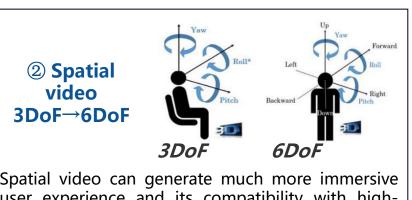
1) differentiated; 2) combined; 3) open; 4) strongly interactive reality (the digital and physical hybrid)

- 1 Differentiated: people in reality would have different spatial experiences in the same time and space, and the real space would no longer be homogeneous and fixed, with the presentation of its structure and hierarchy depending on which Metaverse app the user runs
- 2 Combined: computation would be embedded in reality and reality in computation, a physical scene could be anchored to multiple Metaverse digital content resources and Metaverse apps would be installed in the physical world to produce multiple real-world experiences
- Open: Metaverse apps would be interconnected to form a non-static and editable reality and would leave in the real world virtual content other people could discover and use if running continuously in any spatial area indoors or outdoors
- Strongly interactive: active and passive interaction based on LBS/VPS/natural input, low-friction interaction would trigger a Metaverse interaction mechanism based on visual and natural interaction

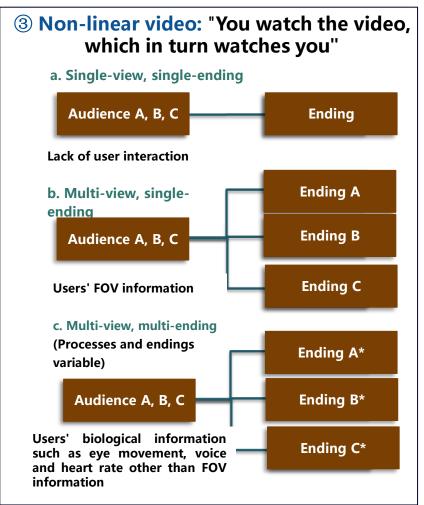
# **Key Scenario 2:** A redefinition of "virtuality" by Metaverse, transforming the real into the virtual

• Metaverse brings new demands on previous audio and video and graphics rendering capabilities: greater audio and video content interactivity, specifically involving 360-degree 3D free view, 6 DoF spatial video, non-linear video, avatars, etc.





Spatial video can generate much more immersive user experience and its compatibility with high-quality 6DoF content acquisition systems, techniques of expression in video shooting, supporting environment on the cloud, networks and terminals, scene representation and coding and decoding algorithms will become the focus.



#### **4** Avatars (digital selves)

Avatars

participants in diversified activities in Metaverse With their own 3D avatars, people attend classes, meetings, socialize or exercise in digital spaces that integrate the real and the virtual Real-time drive, widespread use and user-friendliness, and high

become

interactive

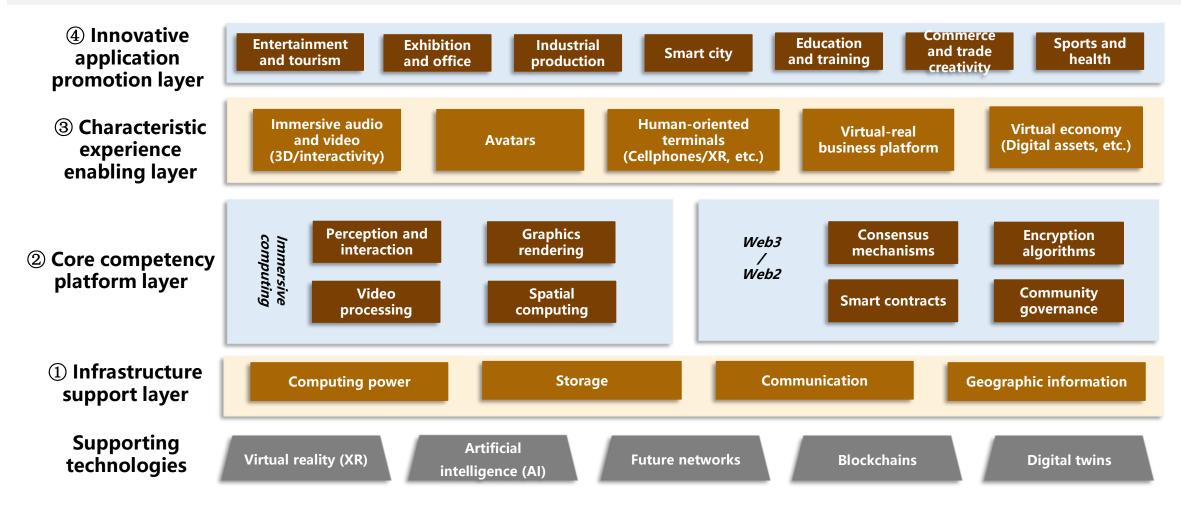


degrees of simulation become

development trends

### **Elements of the Metaverse industry**

 Metaverse enterprises should focus on the development opportunities of immersive business forms and the virtual economy, with emphasis on key areas such as virtual-real business platforms, 3D immersive audio and video, XR intelligent terminals, avatars and supporting infrastructure in the former case and on new digital identities and digital assets in the latter case.

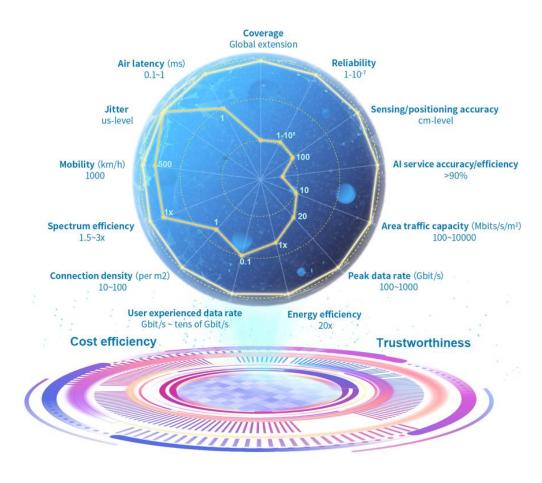


# 6G is expected to help realize the intelligent connection of human, physical and digital worlds

• Scenarios are fully immersive and interactive. Multi-dimensional sensing and native intelligence are integrated and symbiotic. virtuality and reality are deeply integrated.

#### Vision: intelligent connection of everything, digital twin **Super Mobile Broadband** Quality **Superlative Ubiquitous** Guaranteed **Ultra-Reliable** Network Massive and Low-Latency Artificial **Connection Communication** Intelligent **Integrated Communication** and Sensing ubiquitous global seamless connections coverage proliferation of green & low carbon intelligence emissions multi-dimensional security and trustworthiness sensing

## Development philosophy: Together for 6G shared beautiful world



## 6G use cases trends: Immersive, intelligent, ubiquitous



Intelligent Interaction



Intelligent

Proliferation of Intelligence





Immersive Cloud XR

Holographic

Communications



**Immersive** 

Candidate Use Cases

of 6G





Machine control and coordination



Communication for Sensing





Sensory Interconnection





Global Seamless Coverage

### **6G** immersive use cases

• Immersion application will realize the three-dimensional dynamic interaction of people, objects and their surrounding environment, break the boundary between virtuality and reality, and enable users to enjoy extreme experience.

Immersive Cloud XR — A Broad Virtual Space		
Communication	User experienced data rate: Gbps level	
	Air interface latency: <2.5ms	
Computing,	Distributed computing supporting cloud rendering	
Intelligence	and multi-touch fusion	
Sensing	Multi-dimensional sensing: location, motion	
	trajectory, touch, etc.	
	Sensing accuracy, sensing information transmission latency	
Energy Efficiency	Power-limited terminals, focusing on low-power solutions	

Holographic Communications — Extremely Immersive Experience		
	Communication	<ul> <li>User experienced data rate may reach tens of Gbps</li> <li>Dynamic holograms may require Tbps-level peak data rates</li> </ul>
		Latency <sub ms~10ms<="" td=""></sub>
		Multi-dimensional holographic information needs to be strictly synchronized
	Computing, Intelligence	large computing power
	Sensing	Multi-dimensional sensing
	Security	Sensitive information such as facial and voice features requires secure network transmission

