

An Outlook on cellular Infrastructures for the Support of Metaverse



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Market Projections of Metaverse

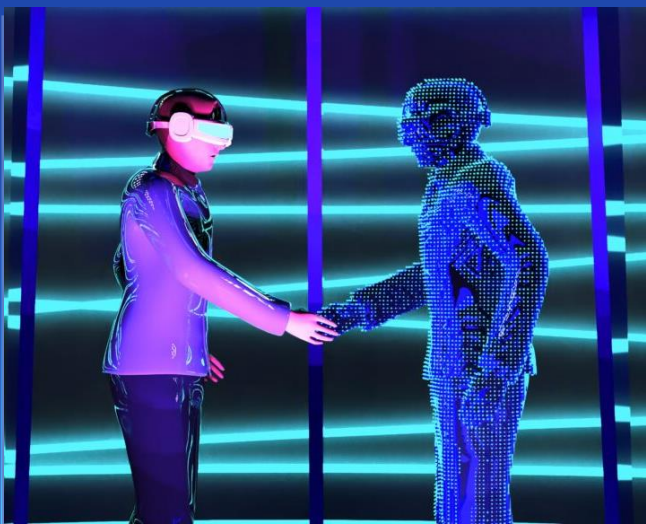
- The Metaverse market size is expected to become \$800 billion by 2024
- \$1 trillion market size predicted for the Metaverse in the future according to JP Morgan
- \$10 billion investment from Facebook for the Metaverse.
- \$400 billion growth in the Gaming world is expected by 2025.
- Epic Games raised \$1 Billion for metaverse plans.
- Microsoft got a \$22 billion contract for Mixed Reality technology
- Supersocial raised \$5.2 million to make Games on the Roblox platform

Facebook created more than 10,000



Expected Evolution of Metaverse

Virtue people & objects



Immersive AR/VR/XR



Multi-dimensional metaverse



The support of metaverse by cellular network will evolve in phases

Metaverse Use Cases



Immersive Games



Virtual Workspaces, Communities



Digital Entertainments



Social Commerce and e-commerce



Smart Manufacturing



Healthcare



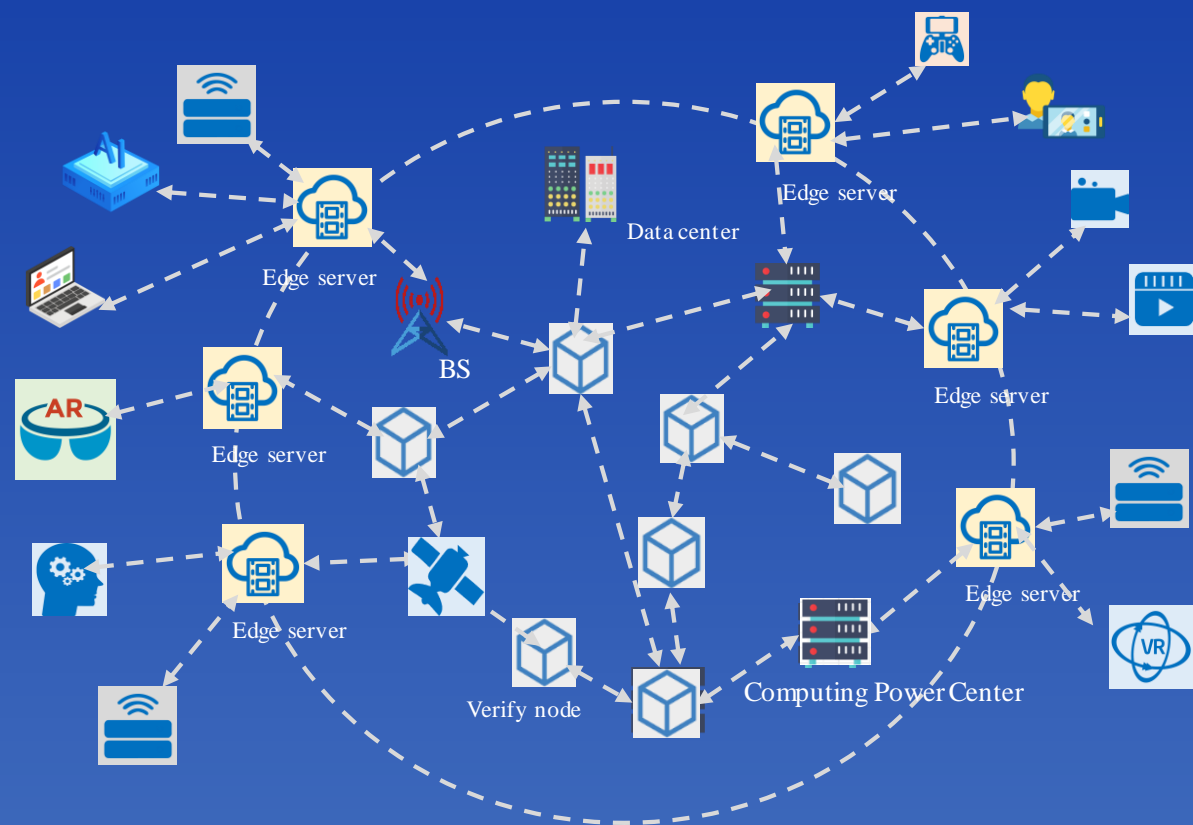
Education



Entertainment



Metaverse Needs Network & Computing



Data

Computing

Cloud

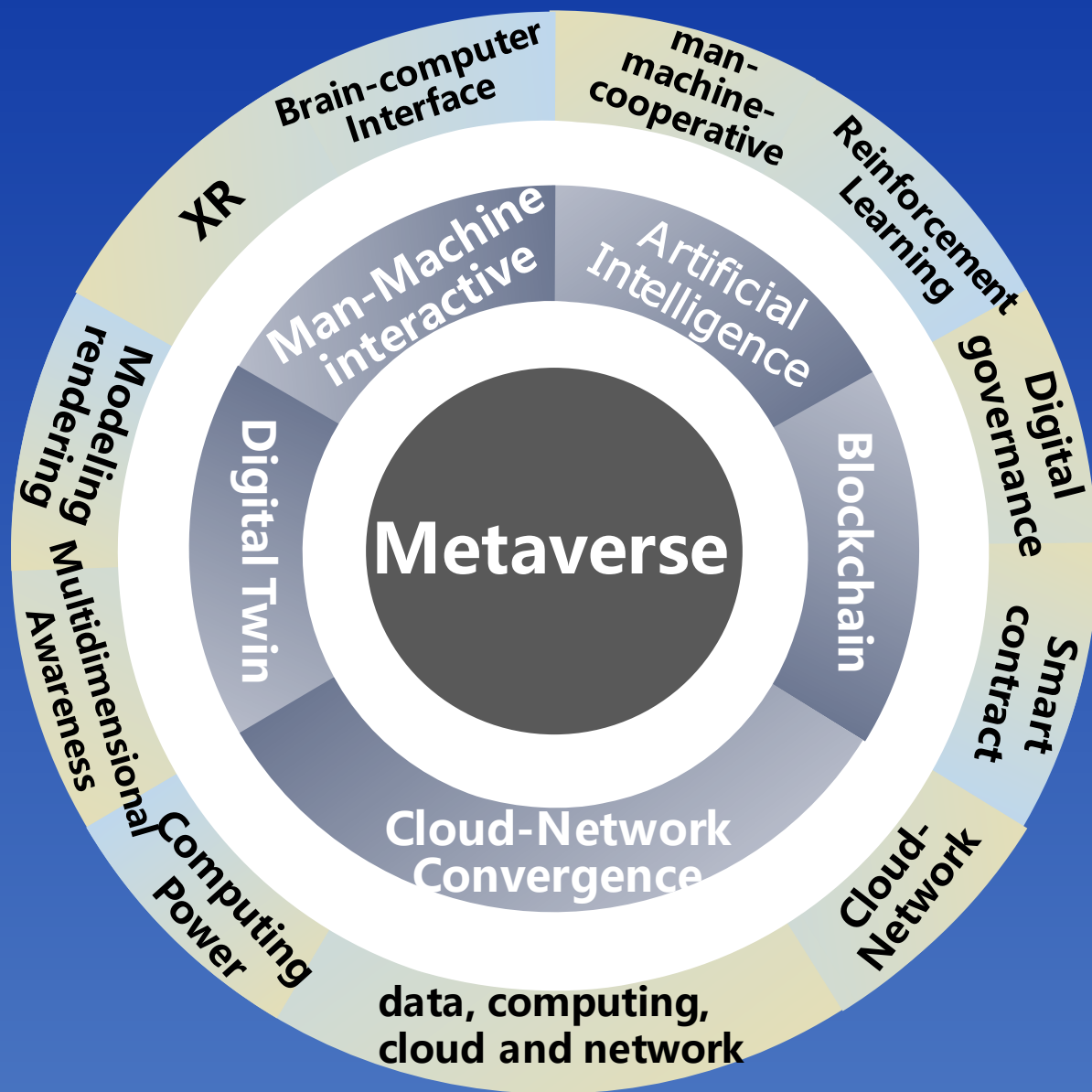
Network

Efficient
matching of
heterogeneous
network
resources

End-to-end
resource
transaction and
distributed
collaboration

Network bandwidth is a clear critical component for the support of metaverse

Core Technologies of the Metaverse



Blockchain



Artificial Intelligence



Man-Machine interface



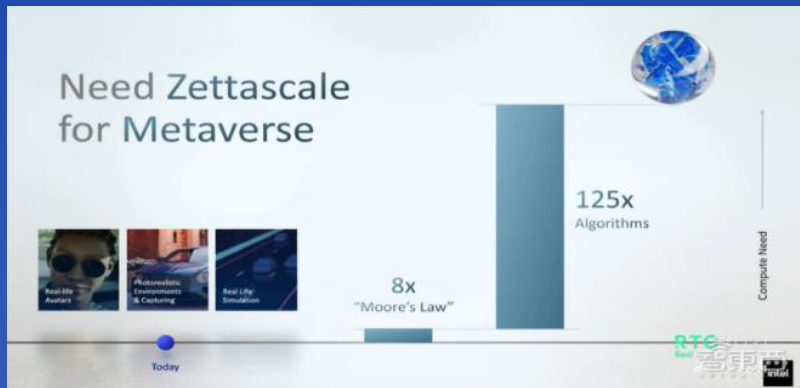
Digital Twin



Cloud-Network Convergence

CPU Requirement for the Metaverse

Computing power $> 10^{18}$ flops
1000 times current CPU capacity



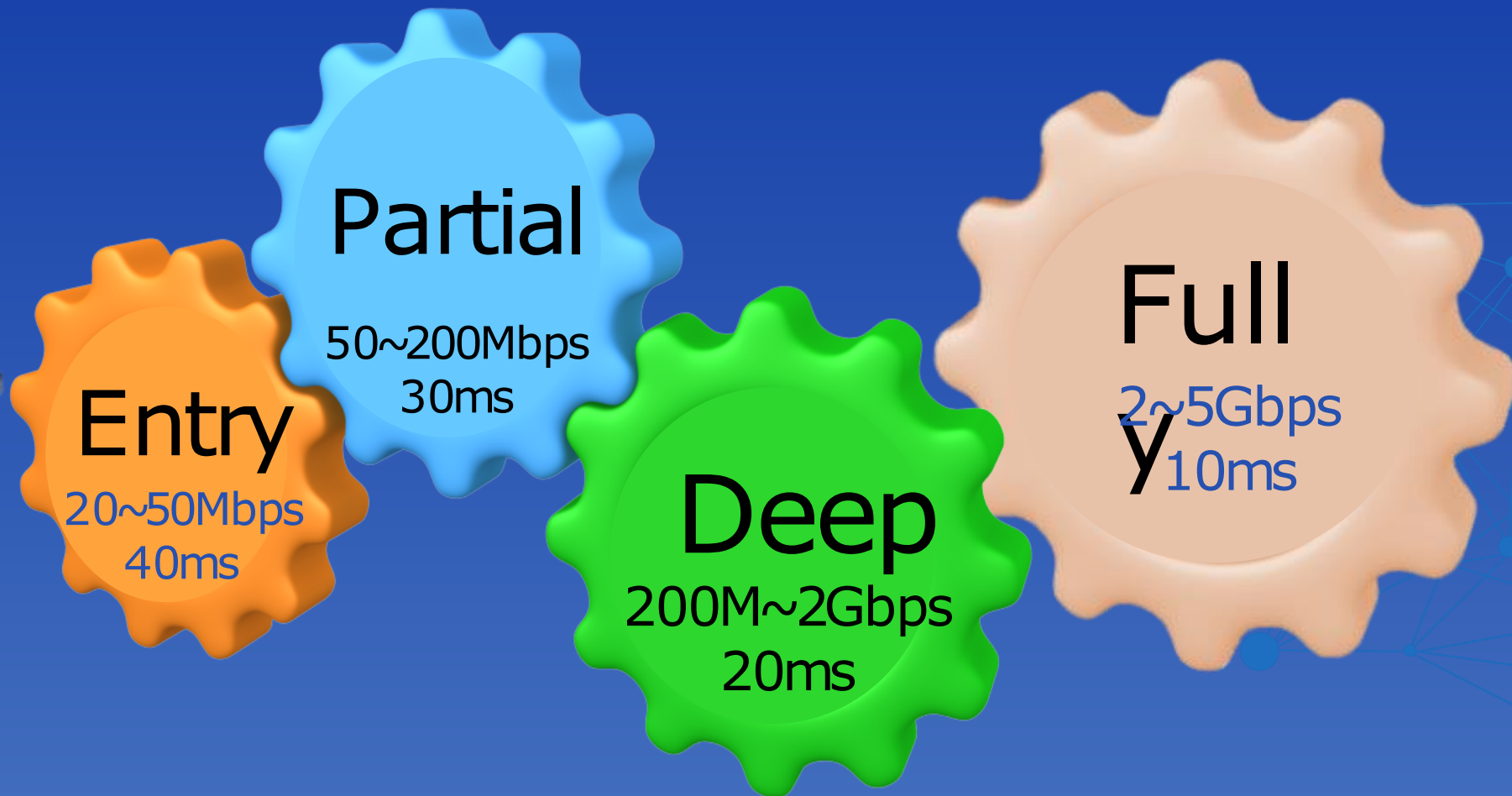
Meta: Research Super-Cluster
Monopolize 10% of global computing resources



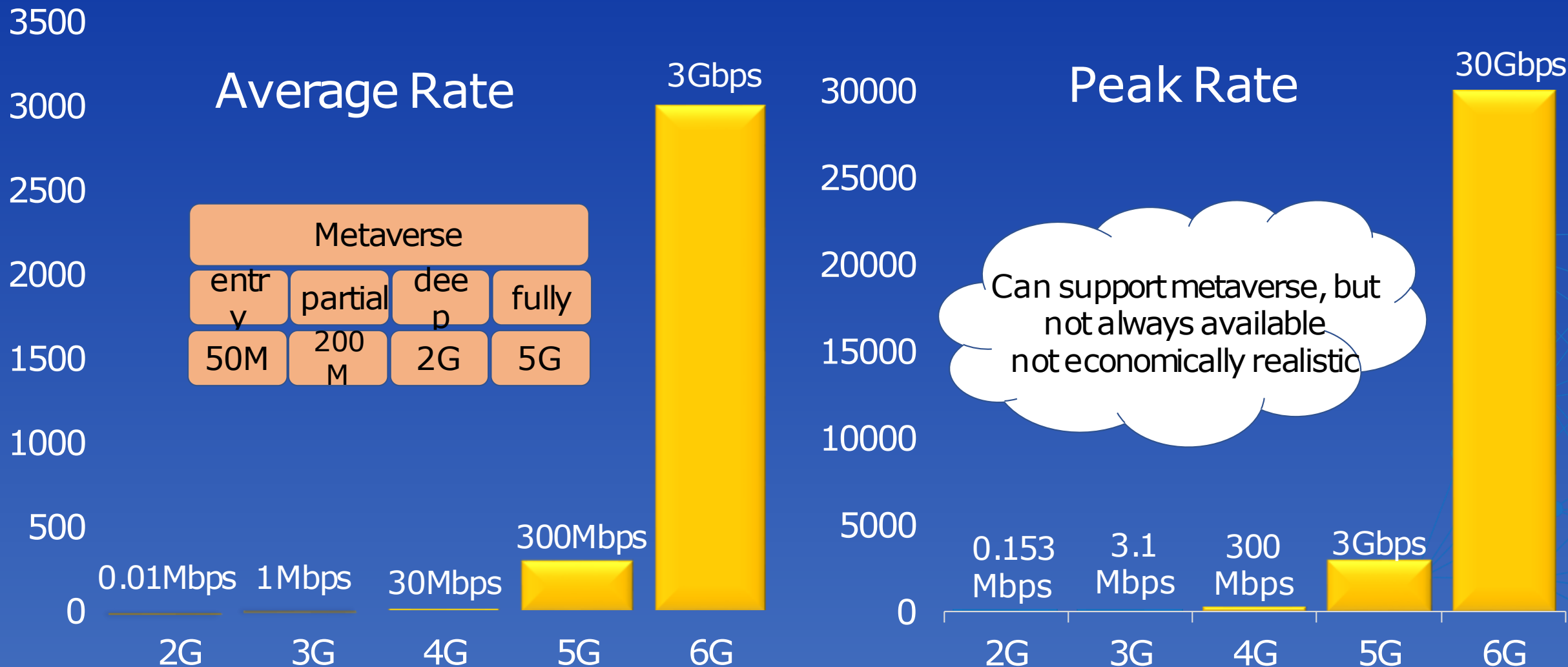
- PS5 level game VR game 4k@60Hz, requires 10Tflops computing power.
- In the metaverse, the AR/VR computing power should reach 3900EFLPOS

Metaverse needs far more computing power than Moore's law.

Network Requirements for Immersive Experience

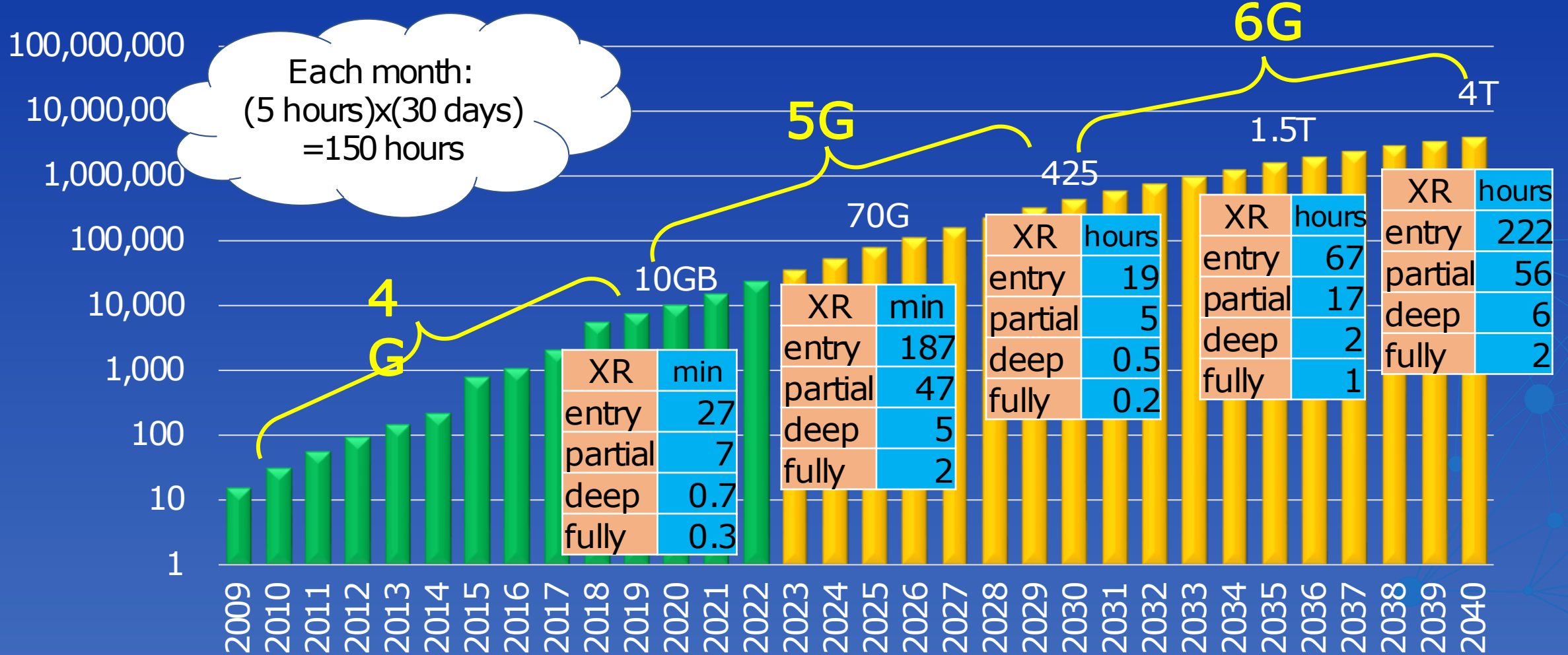


Evolution of the Cellular Data Rates



It appears 5G can support metaverse partially, 6G can support fully

Personal Monthly Data Usage in China Telecom



Metaverse cannot be supported economically unless new approaches can be found

Architectural Solution for the Cellular Capacity

- Best Technical Solution : Ultra Dense Network (UDN)
 - But cannot afford economically
 - CAPEX grows exponentially with the cell counts
 - Not worked for 4G & 5G; Not expect to work for 6G
- Use smartphones as repeaters
 - Architectural revolution
 - CAPEX-light, SDN
 - Web 3.0 infrastructure
 - Uber style operation
 - An approach for 6G

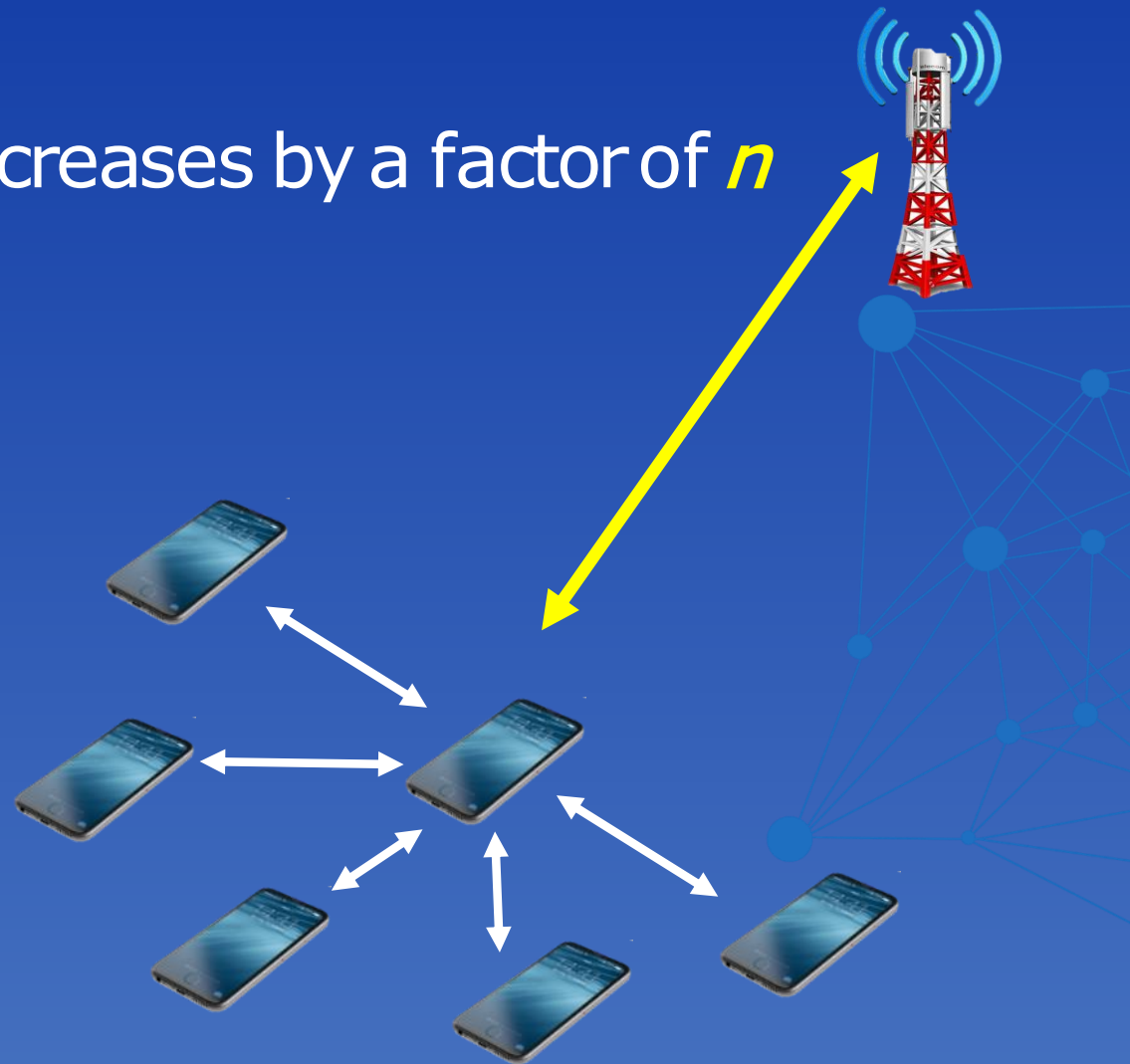


Smartphones are expected to be part of the network infrastructure in 5G and 6G

Capacity Increase by D2D Based P-RAN

Proximity – Radio Access Network

System Capacity increases by a factor of n



P-RAN Service by China Telecom

- China Telecom launched P-RAN commercial service branded eMC "e-Mutual Connect" in Nov, 2022
- It becomes the first operator globally to launch D2D based service for cellular operations using smartphones
- Current service focus on solving the 5G indoor coverage problem
- The objective is to evolve the service to full P-RAN network in 6G for capacity & coverage improvements for metaverse & other services



China Telecom Metaverse Roadmap



Infrastructure

- Network
- Cloud computing
- MEC
- Networked computing
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**Based on the
convergence
Of the network & Cloud**



Platform Integration

- XR Platform
- Platform for digital twin
- Platform for verticals
- AI Platform
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**Integrate capabilities to
build Metaverse
platform**



APP Aggregation

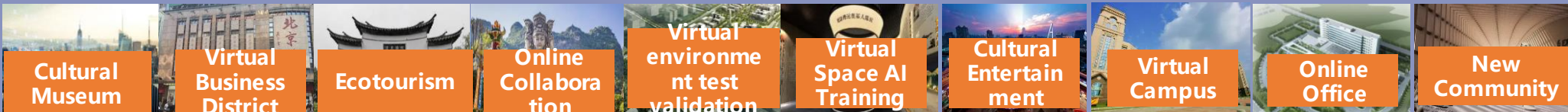
- VR/AR、 games
- Entertainments
- Digital economy
- Smart city
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**With partners to build
Ecosystem for
immersive services**



China Telecom Metaverse Platform

Innovative explore



Industry promotion:

Technical Standards

Protocol Specification

Asset right

Trust mechanism

Application practices



AR Guide



XR Commercial complex



VR Live



MR数字人



XR Education

Ecological cooperation

Content

Application

Algorithm

Terminal

Core capability:

CT Chain

Sharding consensus
Multi-certification
Distributed Networks

Smart contract
Multi-encryption
Resource Synergy

Spatial construction ability

Real-time face reconstruction

3D space digitization

AI content generation

Machine Vision

Digital human

New infrastructure foundation

5G Infrastructure Network
High Speed Ubiquitous 、 Space-Earth Integration

5G SA

MEC edge node

Gigabit optical bandwidth

NB-IoT

Cloud platform
Distributed, self-controlled, secure, trustworthy

PaaS

Real time cloud rendering

IaaS

CDN

ECX

Conclusions

- Current cellular architecture and evolution has the technical capability to support metaverse with no problem
- The glitch is in the business case
- New revolutionary architecture changes and technology breakthroughs are needed to make the support of metaverse economically in mainstream
- With the efforts on technological advances, the support of metaverse in mainstream by cellular network remains hopeful



Thank you

