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# Leading the LTE IoT evolution to connect the massive Internet of Things





At the heart of the IoT ecosystem

Qualcomm

Delivering heterogeneous connectivity powered by global standards

Trillions of connected things  
Massive amount of data

5G NR

4G LTE

Wi-Fi

Bluetooth

NFC

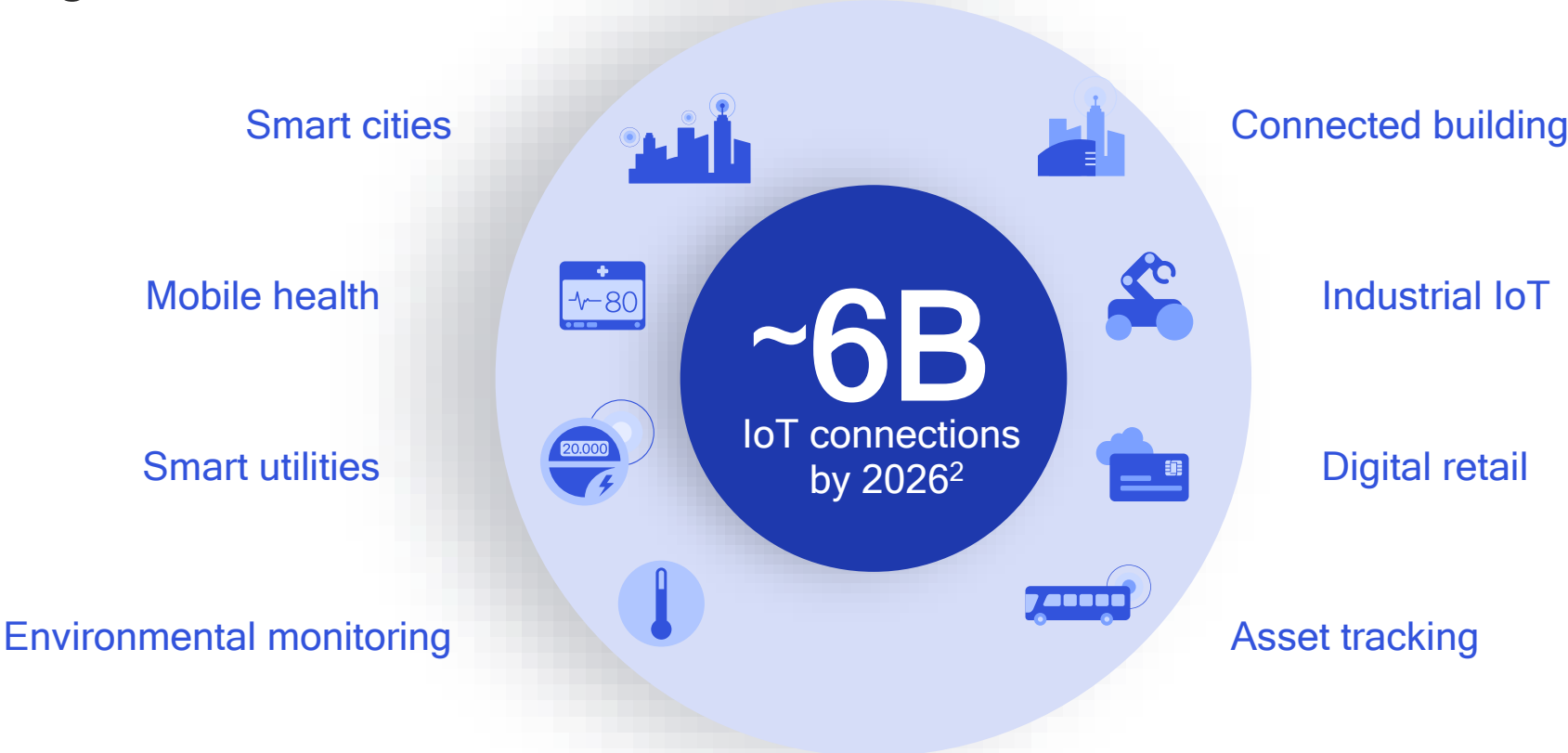
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GNSS

Powerline

# Cellular technologies enable a wide range of IoT services

Bringing significant value for LPWA<sup>1</sup> use cases over non-3GPP solutions



Always-available,  
ubiquitous connectivity

Mature, interoperable  
global ecosystem

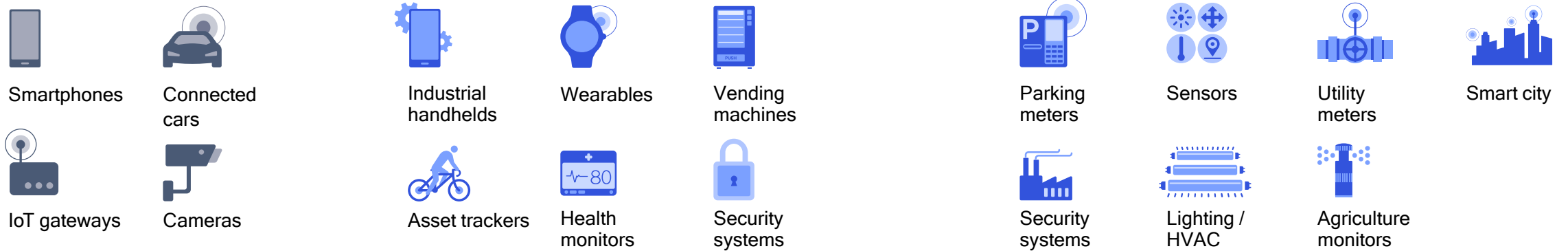
Scalable  
performance

Seamless coexistence  
of different services

High reliability and  
proven security

1. Low-power, wide-area; 2. Including cellular and LPWA M2M connections, Machina Research, June, 2018

# LTE today provides a scalable IoT connectivity platform



## LTE IoT: complementary narrowband technologies scaling down in complexity/power

**LTE Cat-1 and above**  
For high-performance IoT and eMBB  
– scalable to Gigabit LTE

**eMTC Cat-M1<sup>1</sup>**  
For the broadest range of low-complexity IoT use cases

**NB-IoT Cat-NB1<sup>1</sup>**  
For delay-tolerant, ultra-low complexity IoT use cases

Peak data rate	Up to 1 Mbps <sup>2</sup>	<100 kbps
Bandwidth	1.4 MHz	200 kHz
Rx antenna	Single Rx	Single Rx
Duplex mode	Full or half duplex FDD/TDD	Half duplex FDD
Mobility	Limited-to-full mobility	Cell reselection only
Voice	VoLTE	No voice support
Transmit power	23, 20 dBm <sup>3</sup>	23, 20 dBm <sup>3</sup>
Deployment	In-band	Standalone, in-band, guard band

1. Based on Release-13, Release 14 provides additional enhancements; 2. Full duplex mode, ~300 kbps in half-duplex mode; 3. Integrated PA possible

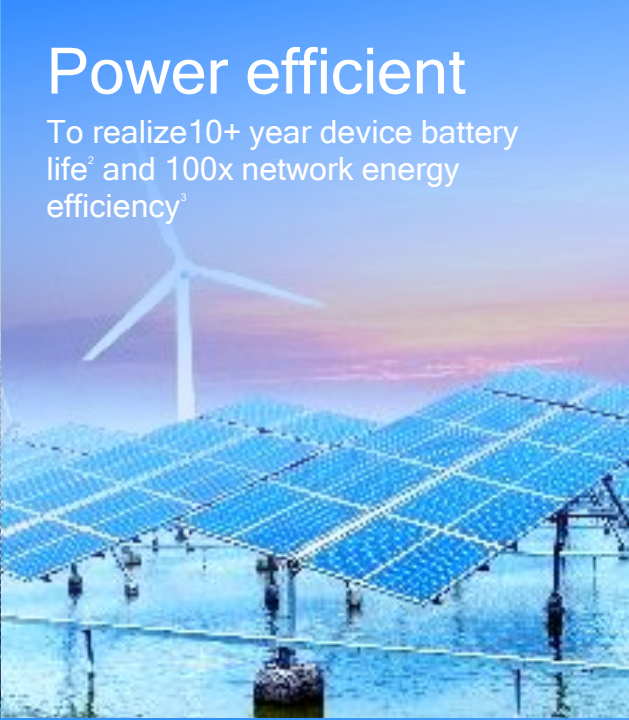
## Massive scale

To efficiently support dense connections of 1+ million devices/km<sup>2</sup>



## Power efficient

To realize 10+ year device battery life<sup>2</sup> and 100x network energy efficiency<sup>3</sup>



## Long range

To reach challenging locations by achieving device link budget of 164 dB<sup>1</sup>



## Extreme simplicity

To allow scaling to the lowest-end use cases with e.g., single Rx antenna



# Scaling for the massive Internet of Things

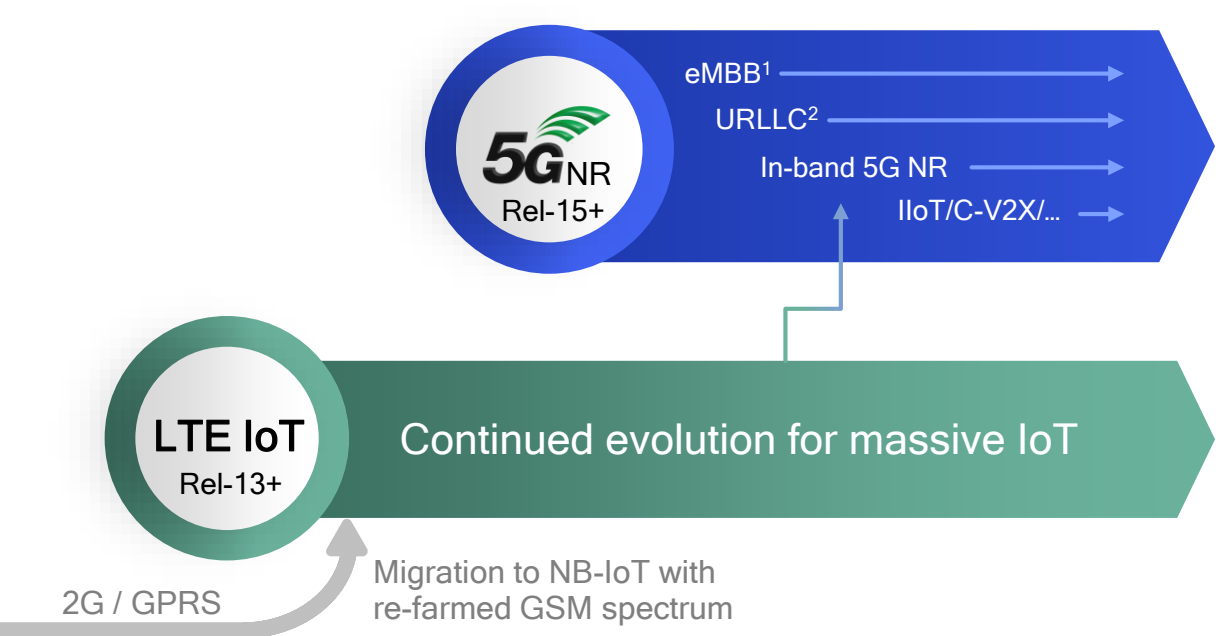


## Addressing growing needs of low-power, wide-area IoT use cases

1. Maximum Coupling Loss, assuming data rate of 160bps
2. Assuming 200B UL + 20B DL per day at 164 MCL with 5Wh battery
3. Compared to IMT-Advanced

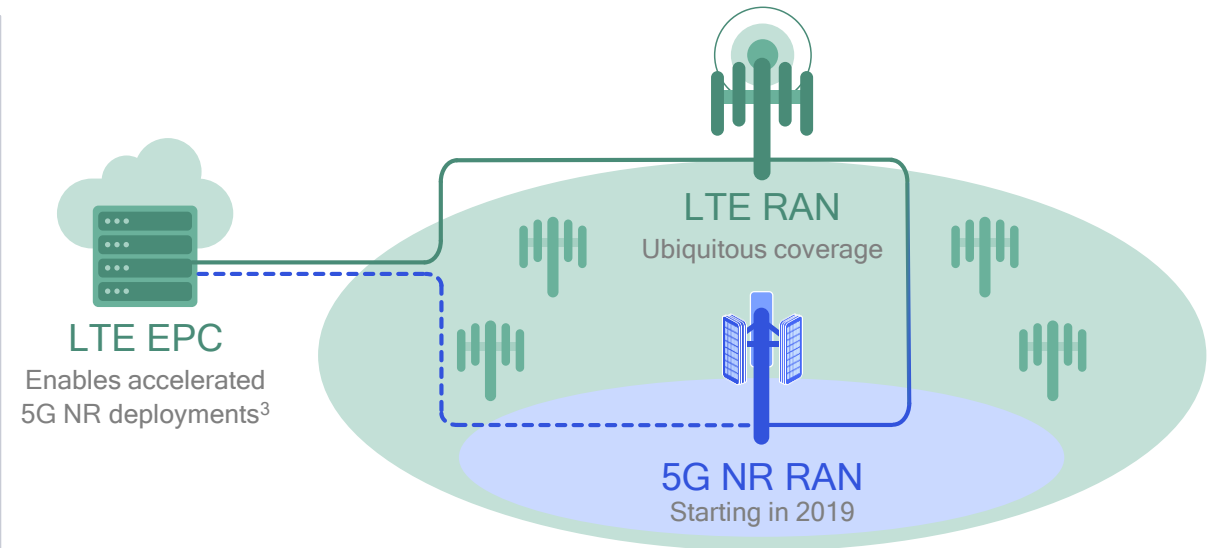
# LTE IoT starts to connect the massive IoT today

Complemented with early 5G NR eMBB deployments starting in 2019



## Complementary use cases

5G NR Rel-15 focuses on eMBB and high-performance IoT; LTE IoT addresses the massive IoT with in-band 5G NR deployment in Rel-16

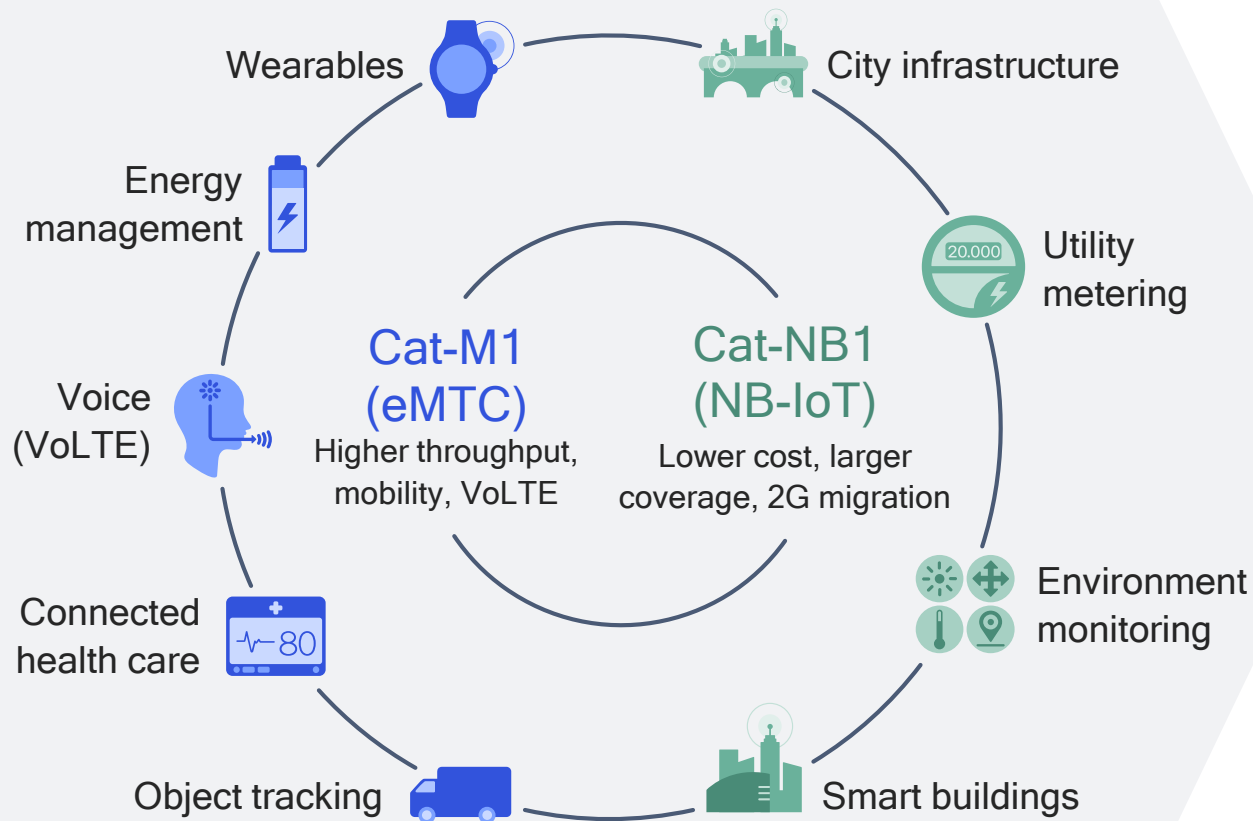


## Leveraging LTE's global footprint

LTE IoT leverages existing LTE infrastructure & coexist with other services such as Gigabit LTE – the anchor to the 5G experience

# LTE IoT starts to connect the massive IoT today

50+ commercial Cat-M1 and/or Cat-NB1 networks in over 30 countries



## MDM9206

Flexible LTE IoT chipset platform for Cat-M1 / Cat-NB1 / E-GPRS

- Global dual-mode solution: single SKU
- Pre-certified modules commercially available today
- Multiple design wins across industry-leading OEMs

**QUECTEL**  
Wireless Module Expert

**ZTEWelink**

**Telit**

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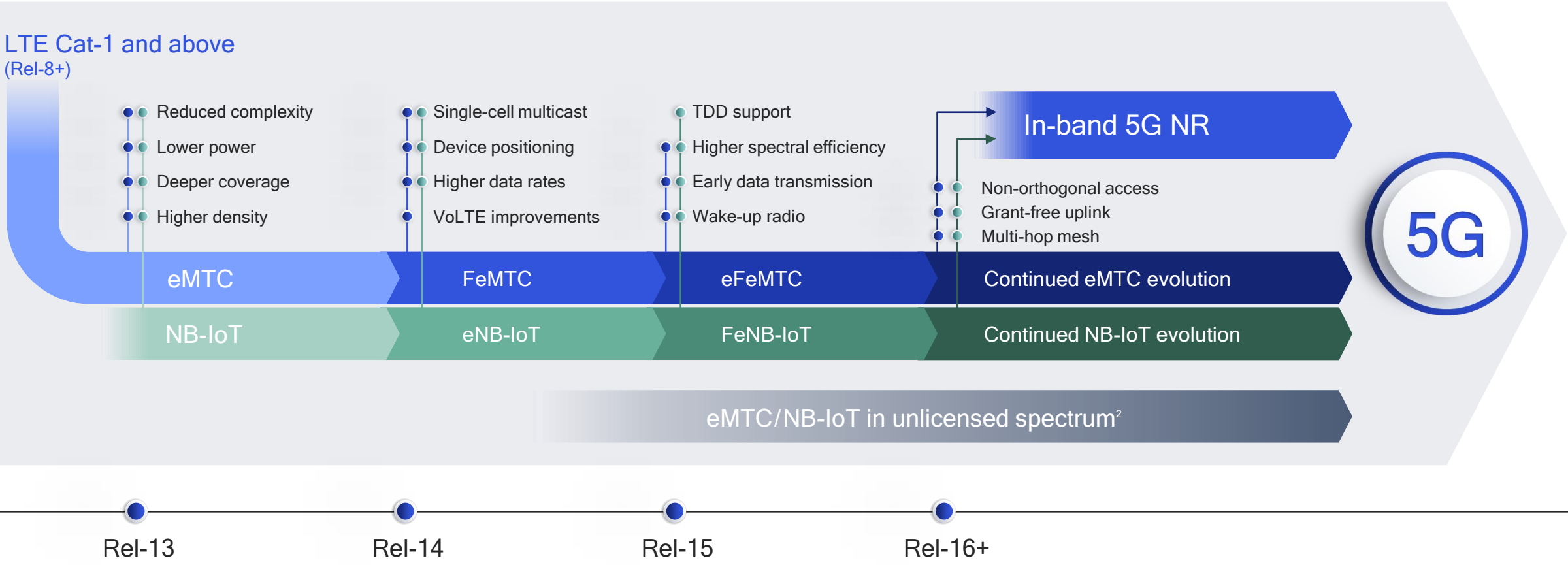
**WNC**

**MOBIKE**  
摩比科技

...and many more

# Continued evolution to meet tomorrow's massive IoT needs

Essential to 5G – LTE IoT to be submitted to meet IMT-2020<sup>1</sup> requirements

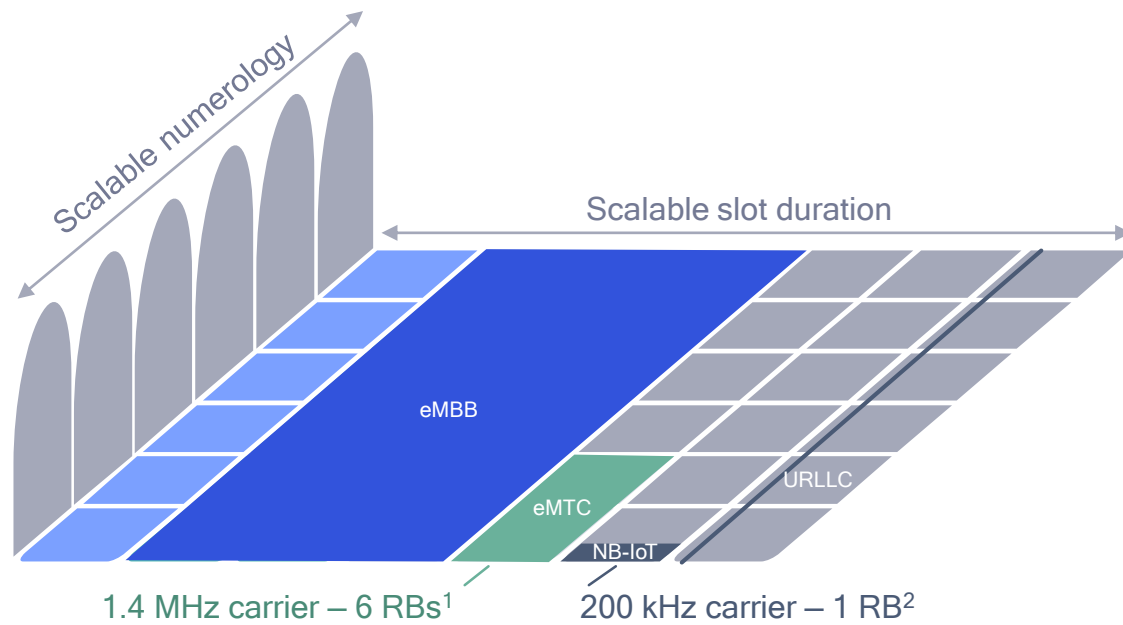


1. Defined in ITU Recommendation ITU-R M.2083-0, September, 2015; 2. Standardization in MulteFire Alliance



# 5G NR IoT to fully leverage the LTE IoT evolution

Enabled by in-band deployment of LTE IoT in 5G NR spectrum



## In-band eMTC / NB-IoT support in Rel-16

5G NR 2<sup>n</sup> scaling of 15 kHz subcarrier spacing is natively compatible with eMTC and NB-IoT numerologies

## Agnostic to core networks

Both 5G NR deployment options – NSA with LTE EPC and SA with 5G core – support eMTC and NB-IoT evolution

## Advanced features coming in Rel-16+

Non-orthogonal access, grant-free uplink, and multi-hop mesh will deliver even better performance and efficiency

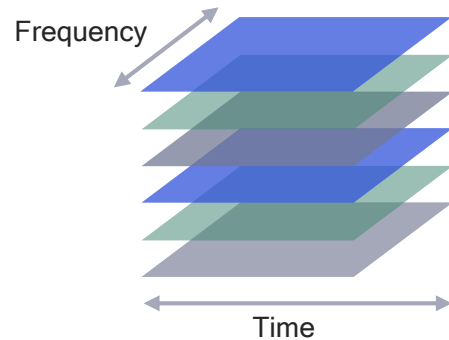
1. Cat-M1 uses 6 Resource Blocks (RBs) with 12 tones per RB at 15 kHz SCS; 2. Cat-NB1 uses 1 Resource Block (RB) with 12 tones with 12 tones per RB at 15 kHz SCS, single-tone option also available

# 5G NR

Flexible framework designed to support future evolution addressing even broader IoT use cases such as latency sensitive applications

# Pioneering tomorrow's massive IoT technologies

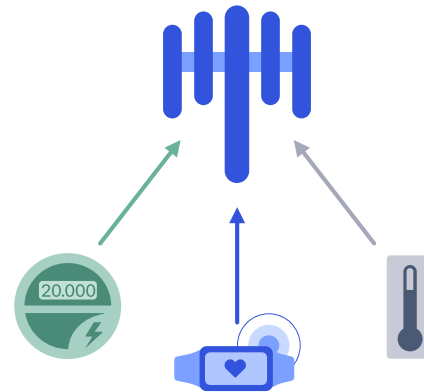
Applies to LTE IoT and 5G massive IoT evolution – potential for 3GPP Rel-16+



## Non-orthogonal multiple access

Even higher connection density

- NOMA is part of 5G NR Rel-15 Study Item
- Can be either scheduled or grant-free
- Increases device density and network efficiency

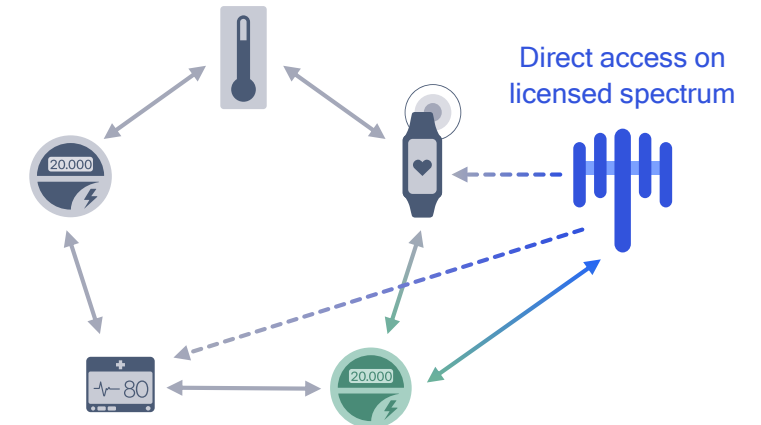


## Grant-free uplink

Autonomous mode transmission

- Contention-based access for IoT devices
- For sporadic uplink of small data bursts
- Also key enabler of mission-critical communication

Mesh on unlicensed or partitioned with uplink licensed spectrum<sup>1</sup>



## Mesh networking

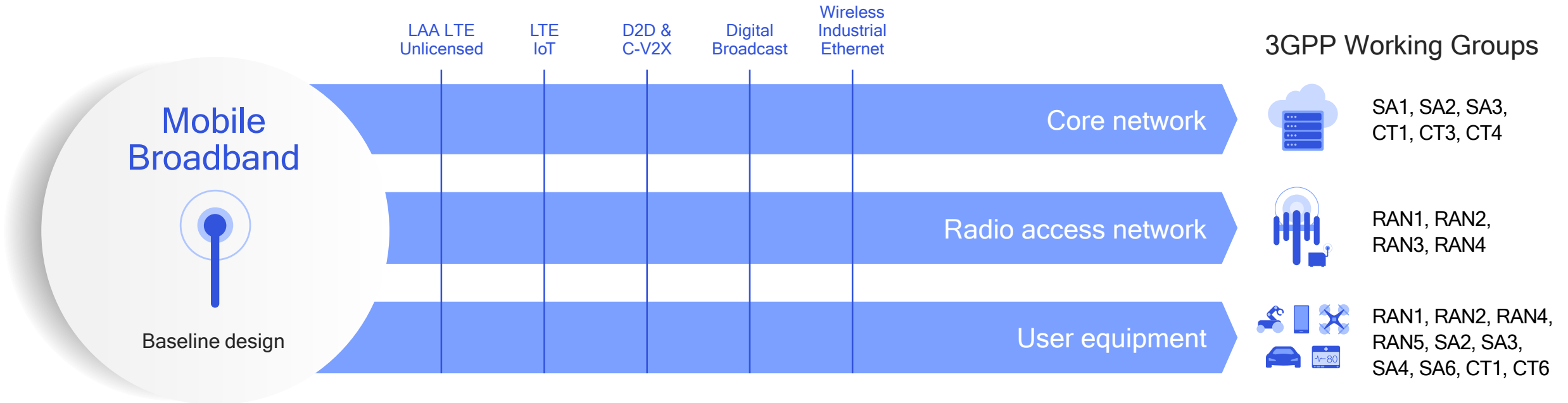
Multi-hop mesh with WAN management

- For low-power devices with challenging placements
- Especially uplink data relayed via nearby devices
- Expands on LTE Device-to-Device (D2D)

1. Greater range and efficiency when using licensed spectrum, e.g. protected reference signals. Network time synchronization improves peer-to-peer efficiency

# Expanding into new areas requires system leadership

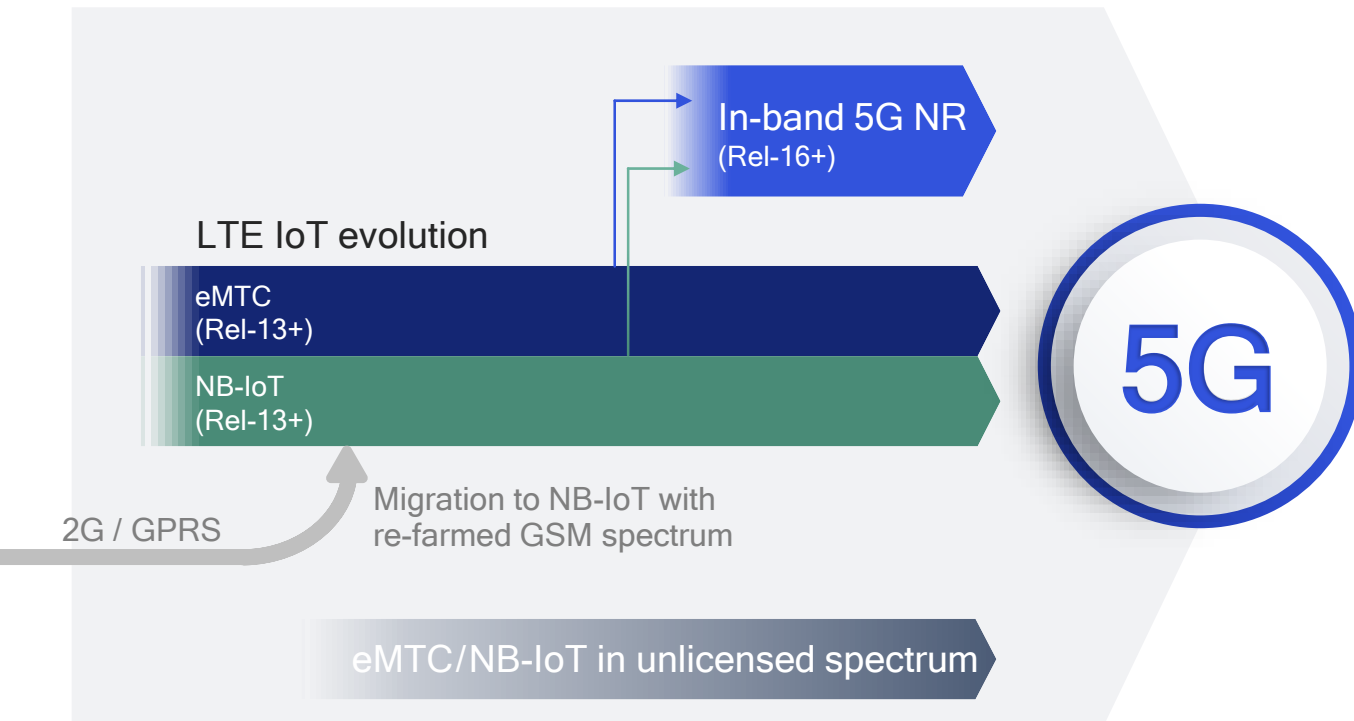
The ability to drive an end-to-end design across multiple 3GPP Working Groups



Each new area requires creating a new sub-system built on top of “baseline”

Adjusting, optimizing, and redesigning procedures across all layers to address the new requirements

# Leading the LTE IoT evolution to connect the massive IoT



## LTE IoT starts to connect the massive IoT today

Complemented with initial 5G NR eMBB deployments

## Continued LTE IoT evolution is broadening use cases

A rich technology roadmap for tomorrow's massive IoT and expansion into unlicensed spectrum

## We are driving broad ecosystem adoption of LTE IoT

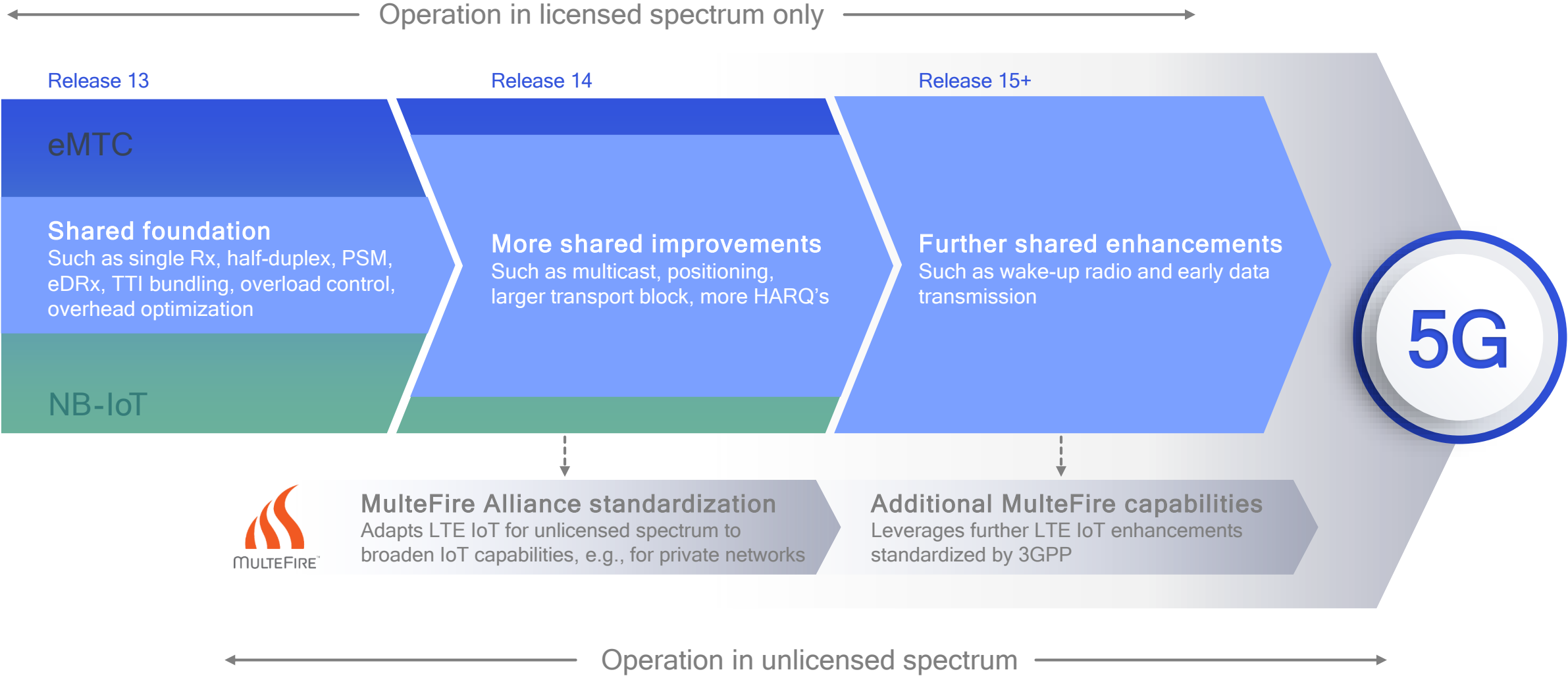
Strong global momentum with our multi-mode commercial solution

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and expansion into unlicensed spectrum

# LTE IoT evolution builds on a shared foundation

Also expanding into unlicensed spectrum for new use cases



# Delivering new efficiencies for the massive IoT

## Extreme simplicity

Reducing complexity



Narrowband operation (down to 180 kHz) plus further device and core network complexity reductions

## Ultra energy efficiency

Lowering power consumption



Enhanced power save modes (PSM) and more efficient signaling, e.g., extended DRX (eDRx) sleep cycles

## Ubiquitous coverage

Deepening coverage



Up to 20 dB link budget increase for hard-to-reach locations via redundant transmissions and more

## Massive scale

Increasing device density



Signaling & network optimizations, e.g., overload control, to support a large number of devices per cell

## Shared eMTC and NB-IoT foundation

Such as single Rx antenna, half-duplex, PSM, eDRx, TTI bundling, overload control, overhead optimizations, etc.

# Reducing complexity: start supporting narrowband operation

To enable low-cost modules optimized for small, infrequent data transmissions

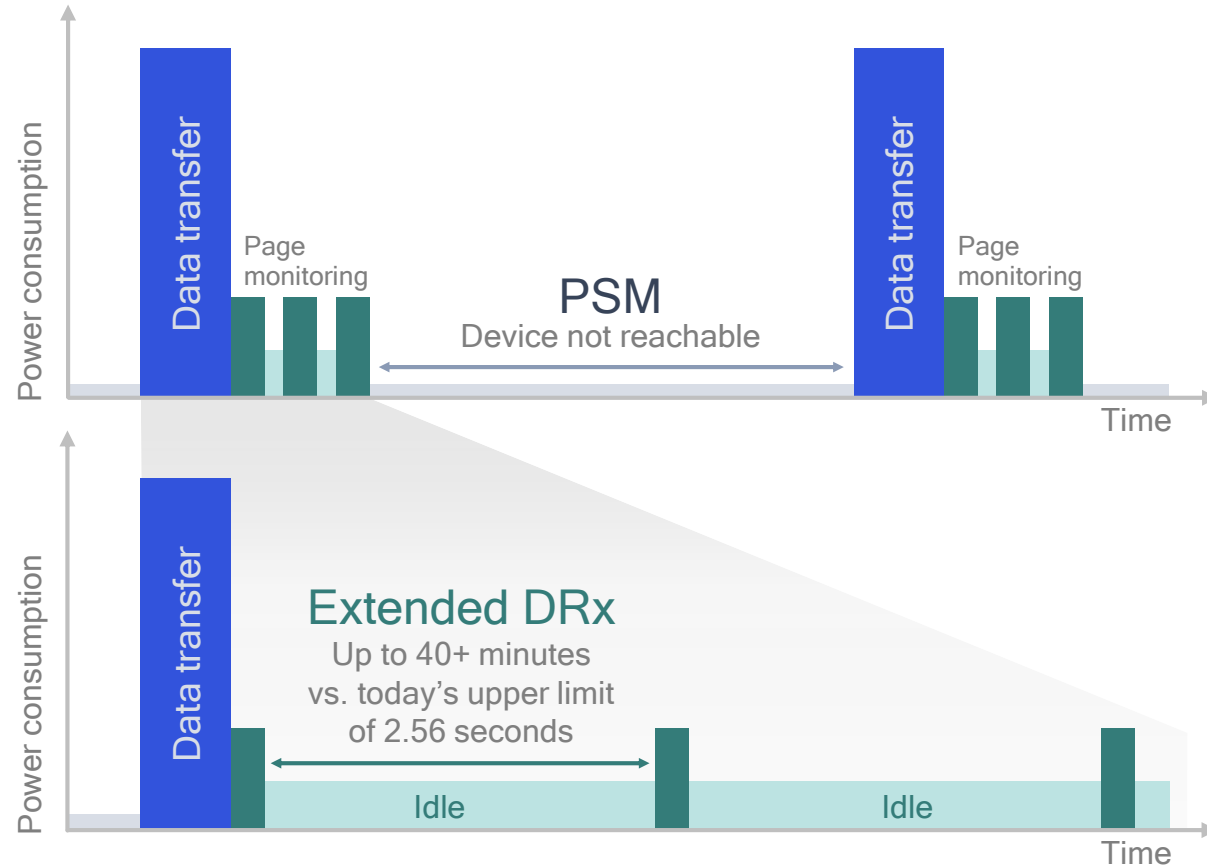
	LTE Cat-1 (Rel-8)	eMTC Cat-M1 (Rel-13)	NB-IoT Cat-NB1 (Rel-13)
Peak data rate	Up to 10 Mbps	Up to 1 Mbps <sup>2</sup>	<100 kbps
Bandwidth	Up to 20 MHz	1.4 MHz	200 kHz
Rx antenna	Dual Rx <sup>1</sup>	Single Rx	Single Rx
Duplex mode	Full duplex FDD/TDD	Full or Half duplex FDD/TDD	Half duplex FDD
Mobility	Full mobility	Limited-to-full mobility	Cell reselection only
Voice	VoLTE	VoLTE	No voice support
Transmit power	23 dBm	23, 20 dBm <sup>3</sup>	23, 20 dBm <sup>3</sup>

Reduces baseband/RF complexity and decreases memory



# Lowering power: achieve 10+ year device battery life

For eMTC and NB-IoT, allowing devices wake up on a per-need basis



## Power save mode (PSM)

Eliminates page monitoring between data transmissions for device-originated or scheduled applications, e.g., smart metering, environmental monitoring

## Extended discontinuous receive (eDRx)

Extends time between monitoring for network messages for device-terminated applications, e.g., object tracking, smart grid

Also features such as reduced complexity and overhead optimizations<sup>1</sup> extend battery life

Note: PSM and eDRx applicable to both eMTC & NB-IoT; may also be applied to LTE Cat-1 and above

1. Rel-13 includes less channel measurements, Rel-15 includes semi-persistent scheduling, data transmission during random access, faster RRC release, relaxed monitoring for cell reselection, and more

# Deepening coverage: provide ubiquitous IoT connectivity

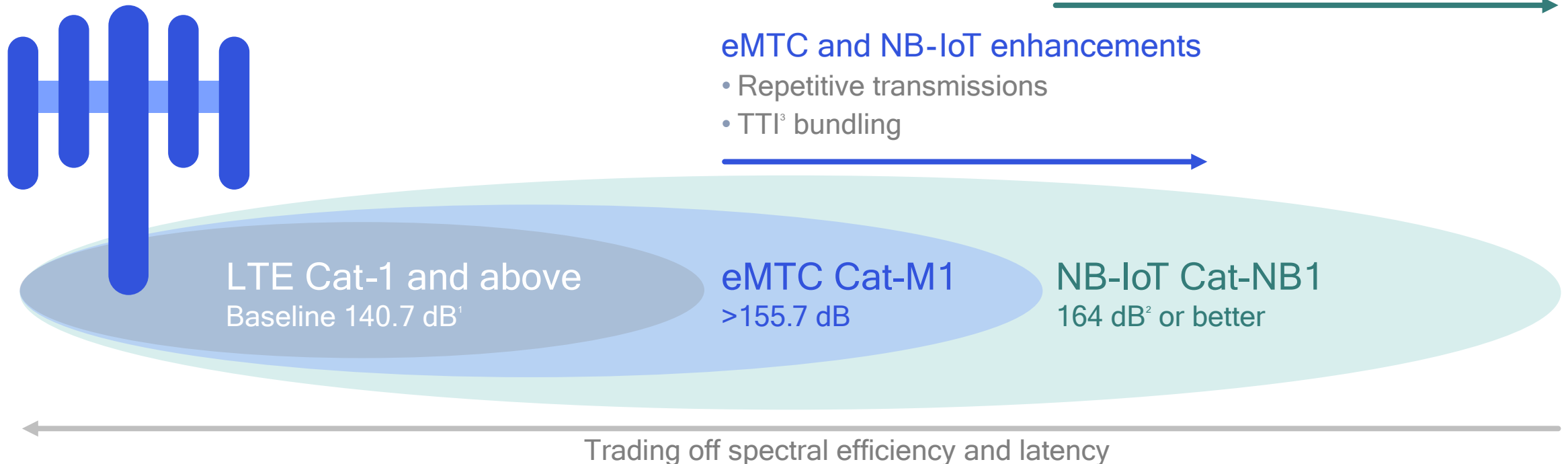
To reach the most challenging locations, e.g., penetrating more walls and floors

## NB-IoT enhancements

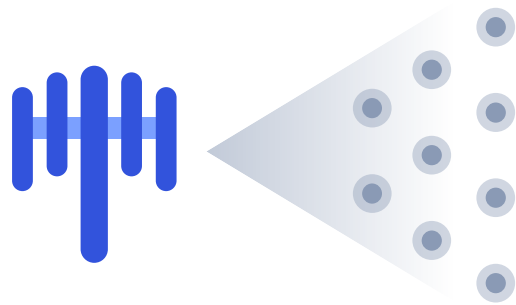
- Further relaxed timing requirements
- Lower-order modulation, e.g., QPSK<sup>4</sup>
- Single-tone UL transmissions

## eMTC and NB-IoT enhancements

- Repetitive transmissions
- TTI<sup>3</sup> bundling



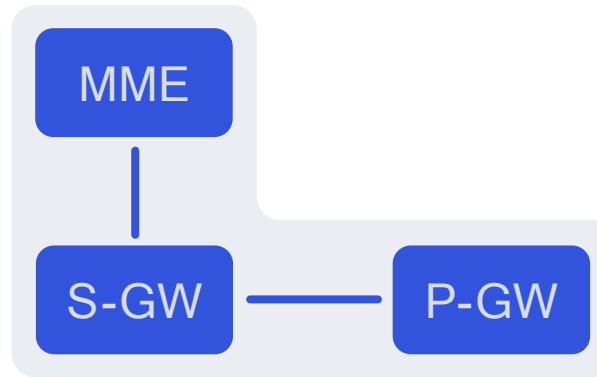
# Increasing density: optimize for better network efficiency



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## More efficient signaling

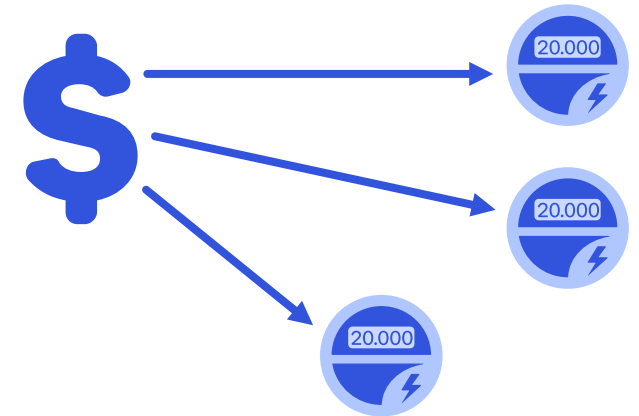
To support a larger number of devices per cell with new features such as group-based paging, messaging, and improved load management



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## Simplified core network (EPC-lite)

Reduced functionality, e.g., no/optional voice, limited mobility, optional optimizations that integrate network functions into a single entity



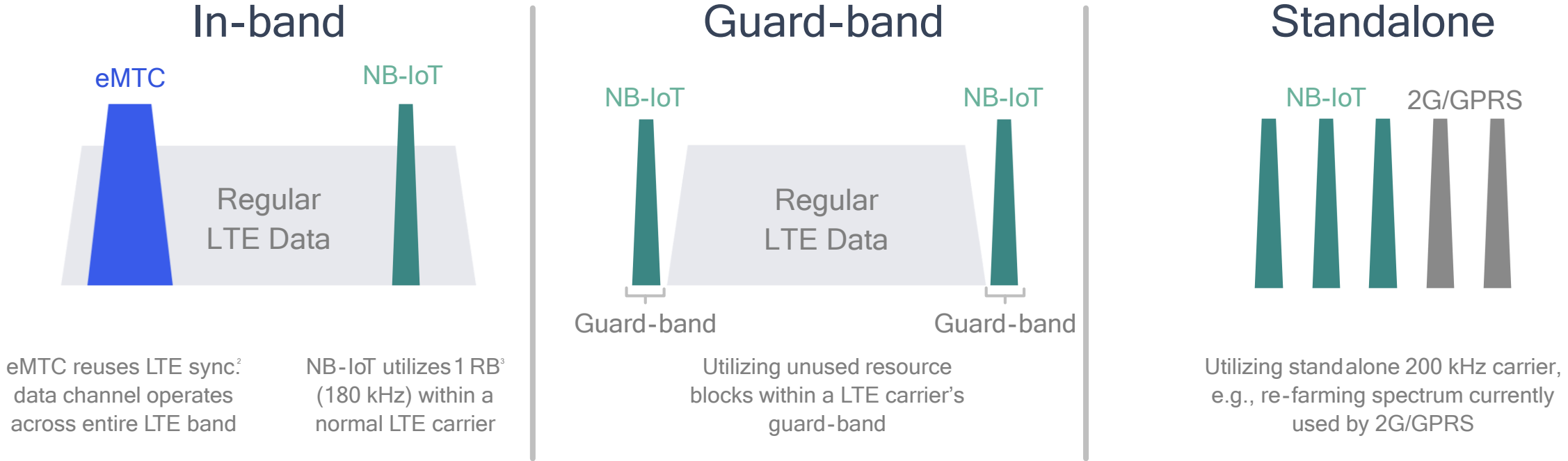
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## Enhanced resource management

Such as optimizations to allow a large set of devices to share the same subscription, e.g., all the water meters in a city

# Coexist with today's mobile broadband services

Flexible deployments in FDD & TDD<sup>1</sup>; leveraging existing infrastructure & spectrum



1. NB-IoT support in TDD proposed in Rel-15; 2. Center 6 Resource Blocks; 3. Resource Block

Easy migration to NB-IoT with re-farmed 2G/GPRS spectrum

# A rich roadmap of enhancements in 3GPP Rel-14 & 15

eMTC



## Enhancing VoLTE<sup>1</sup>

For wearables to more efficiently handle voice in half-duplex mode



## Better mobility

Full support for inter-frequency measurements<sup>1</sup> and higher velocity in extended coverage<sup>2</sup>

eMTC  
and  
NB-IoT



## Single-cell multicast<sup>1</sup>

Efficient OTA firmware update for large number of devices



## Device positioning<sup>1</sup>

Providing location services for e.g., asset tracking and eCall



## Higher data rate<sup>1</sup>

Supporting wider bandwidth, e.g., 5 MHz, and more<sup>3</sup>



## Lower latency

More HARQ processes<sup>1</sup>, faster system acquisition<sup>2</sup>, early data transmission<sup>2</sup>



## Energy reduction

Wake-up radio for low-power channel monitoring<sup>4</sup> and lower transmit power classes<sup>5</sup>



## Higher density support<sup>2</sup>

Improved load control with level-based access class barring

NB-IoT



## Cell size extension<sup>2</sup>

Additional cyclic prefixes to support cell radius of at least 100km



## TDD support<sup>2</sup>

For deployment in higher TDD bands, also further optimizing for small cells

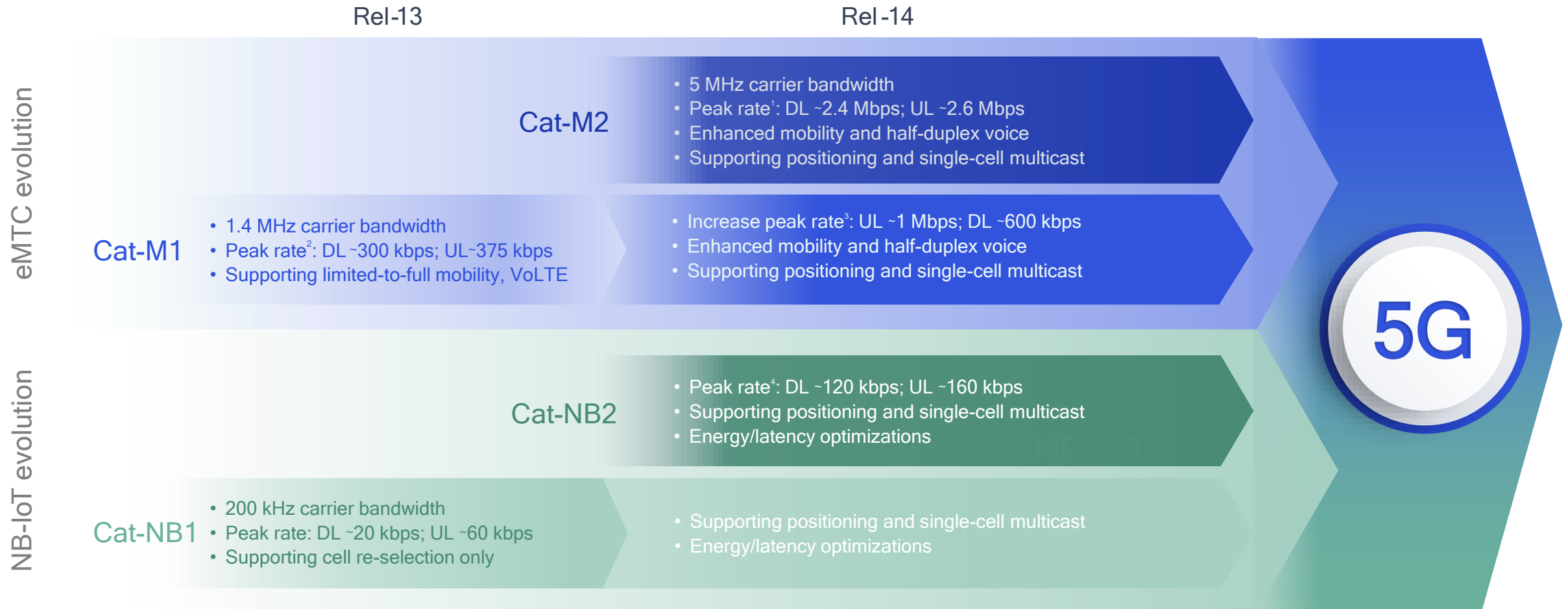


Release 14 and 15 enhancements

1. Rel-14 feature; 2. Rel-15 feature; 3. FeMTC adds support for 5 MHz, larger TBS, more HARQ processes, eNB-IoT increases TBS and HARQ process; 4. Also relaxed monitoring for cell reselection, semi-persistent scheduling, quicker RRC release in Rel-15; 5. eNB-IoT adds 14 dBm in Rel-14, lower transmit power proposed for eFeMTC in Rel-15;

# New device categories to address broader IoT use cases

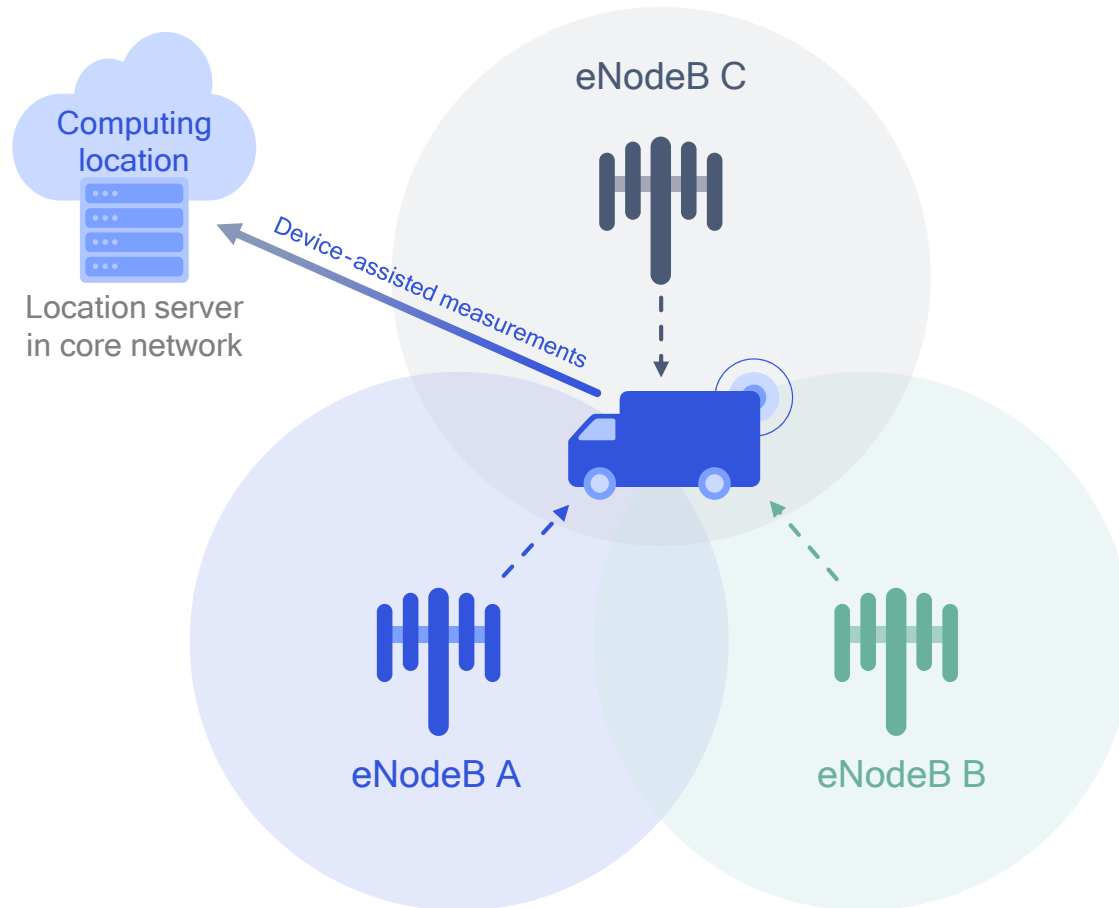
Evolving to deliver faster peak rates, new capabilities, and efficiency optimizations



1. Based on 4008b UL/DL TBS, 10 HARQ's & ACK bundling; 2. Half-duplex; 3. Half-duplex, increase UL TBS to 2984b from 1000b, HARQ's from 8 to 10, & ACK bundling; 4. Increase DL/UL TBS from 600/1000b to 2536b, HARQ's from 1 to 2.

# Enabling IoT device positioning with OTDOA<sup>1</sup>

First introduced in Rel-9 for LTE; adapted for LTE IoT in Rel-14



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## Key enabler for new use cases

Such as asset tracking and eCall services that require always-available device locations

## Complements satellite positioning

To provide location services in challenging NLOS<sup>2</sup> settings, such dense urban or inside buildings

## Optimized for LTE IoT<sup>3</sup>

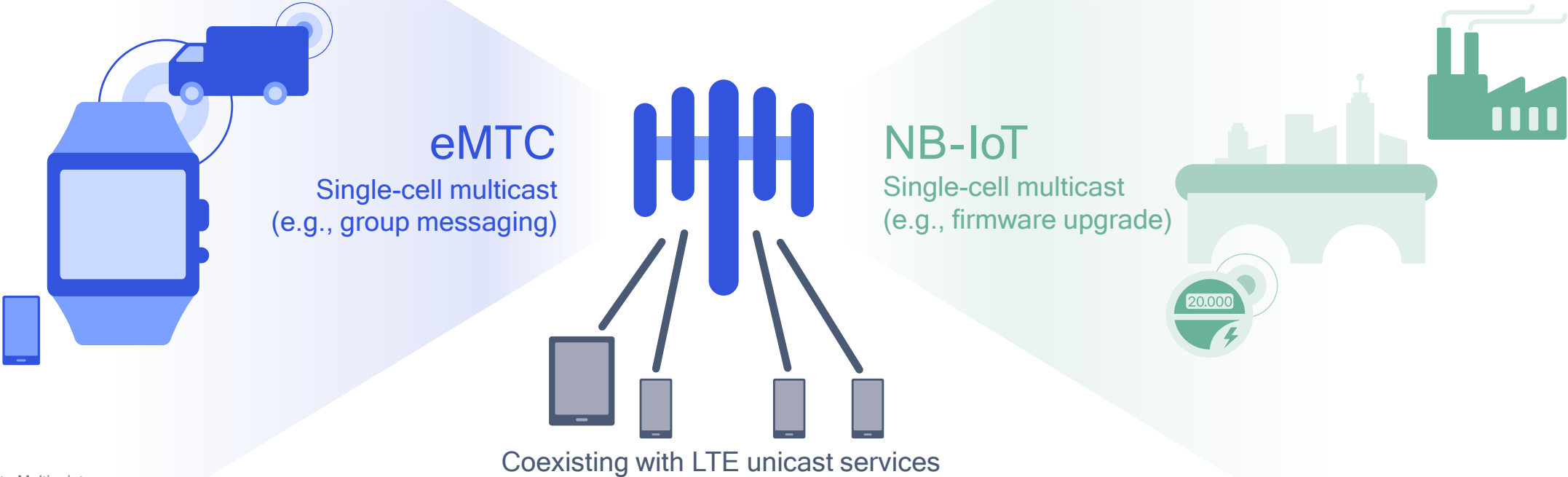
Utilizing a narrower bandwidth PRS<sup>4</sup> with higher repetition factors that extends range



Download Qualcomm Technologies whitepaper for more information:  
<https://www.qualcomm.com/documents/otdoa-positioning-3gpp-lte>

# Efficiently communicating with IoT devices using multicast

Extending SC-PTM<sup>1</sup> defined in Rel-13 to LTE IoT in Rel-14



1. Single Cell Point to Multipoint;

## Easy firmware upgrades

Eliminates expensive truck roll maintenance of deployed devices (e.g., environmental sensors)

## Longer battery life

Simplified control protocol that reduces amount of time devices need to be awake

## More capacity

Efficient use of network resources by serving a group of devices simultaneously

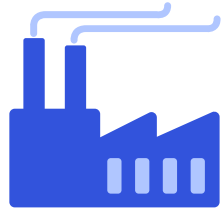


# Small cells bring many benefits for the IoT

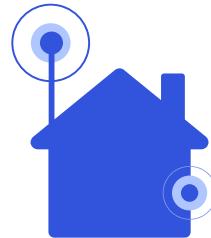
Supported by LTE IoT today with further enhancements proposed in Rel-15<sup>1</sup>



Venues



Industrial



Residential



Enterprise/Buildings



Cities

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## Improved coverage

Bringing the network closer for deeper reach indoors and more reliable connectivity

## Longer battery life

Allowing devices to reduce uplink transmit power, minimizing overall power consumption

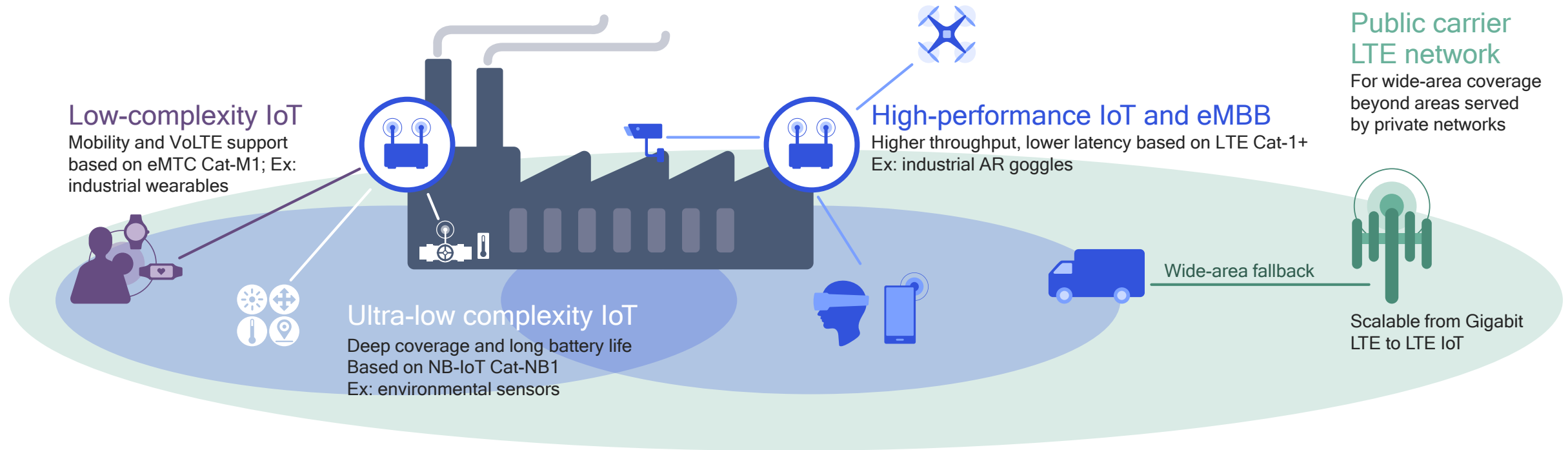
## More deployment options

Leveraging neutral hosts to provide IoT connectivity in shared/unlicensed spectrum (e.g., MulteFire)

# Private LTE network addresses industrial IoT needs today

## Private LTE network

Optimized, dedicated, and locally managed network that scales from Gigabit LTE to LTE IoT



## Optimized

Tailored for industrial applications, e.g., QoS, latency

## Dedicated

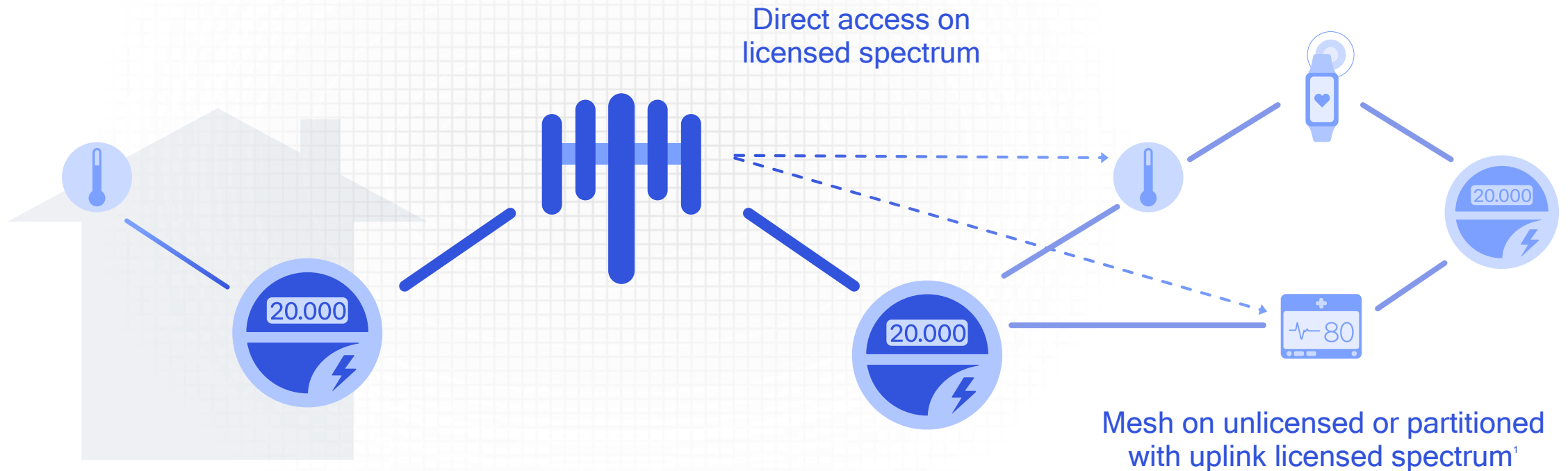
Local network, easy to deploy independently managed

## Secure

Industrial grade security with LTE and 5G NR

# Support for multi-hop mesh with WAN management

Advanced massive IoT design for 3GPP Rel-16+



1. Greater range and efficiency when using licensed spectrum, e.g. protected reference signals . Network time synchronization improves peer-to-peer efficiency

## Problem: Uplink coverage

Due to low power devices and challenging placements, in e.g. basement

## Solution: Managed uplink mesh

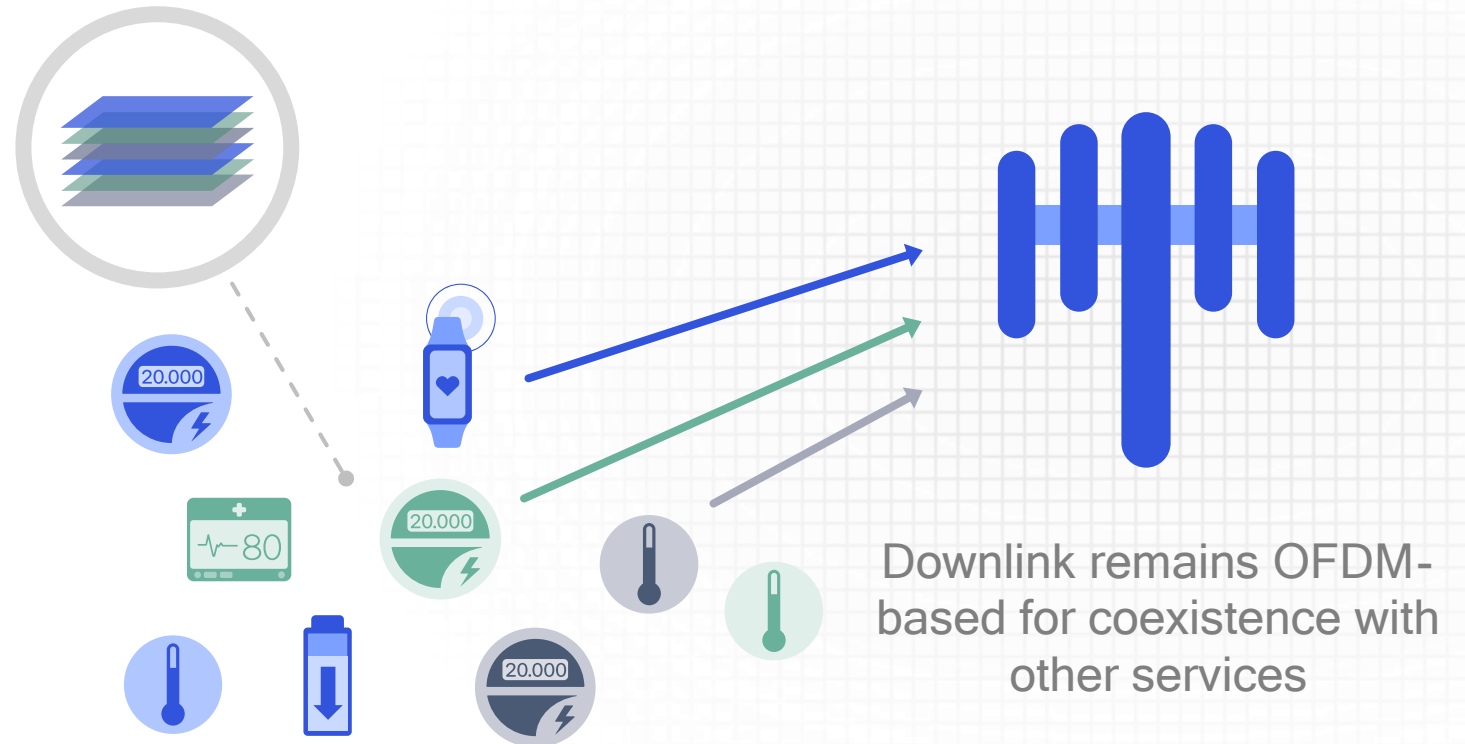
Uplink data relayed via nearby devices – uplink mesh but direct downlink.

# NOMA<sup>1</sup> for efficient IoT communications

Characterized by small data bursts in uplink where signaling overhead is a key issue

## Grant-free transmission of small data exchanges

- Eliminates signaling overhead for assigning dedicated resources
- Allows devices to transmit data asynchronously
- Capable of supporting full mobility
- Technically feasible for LTE IoT, but requires spec. formalization



1. Non-orthogonal multiple access

Increased  
battery life

Scalability to even  
higher device density

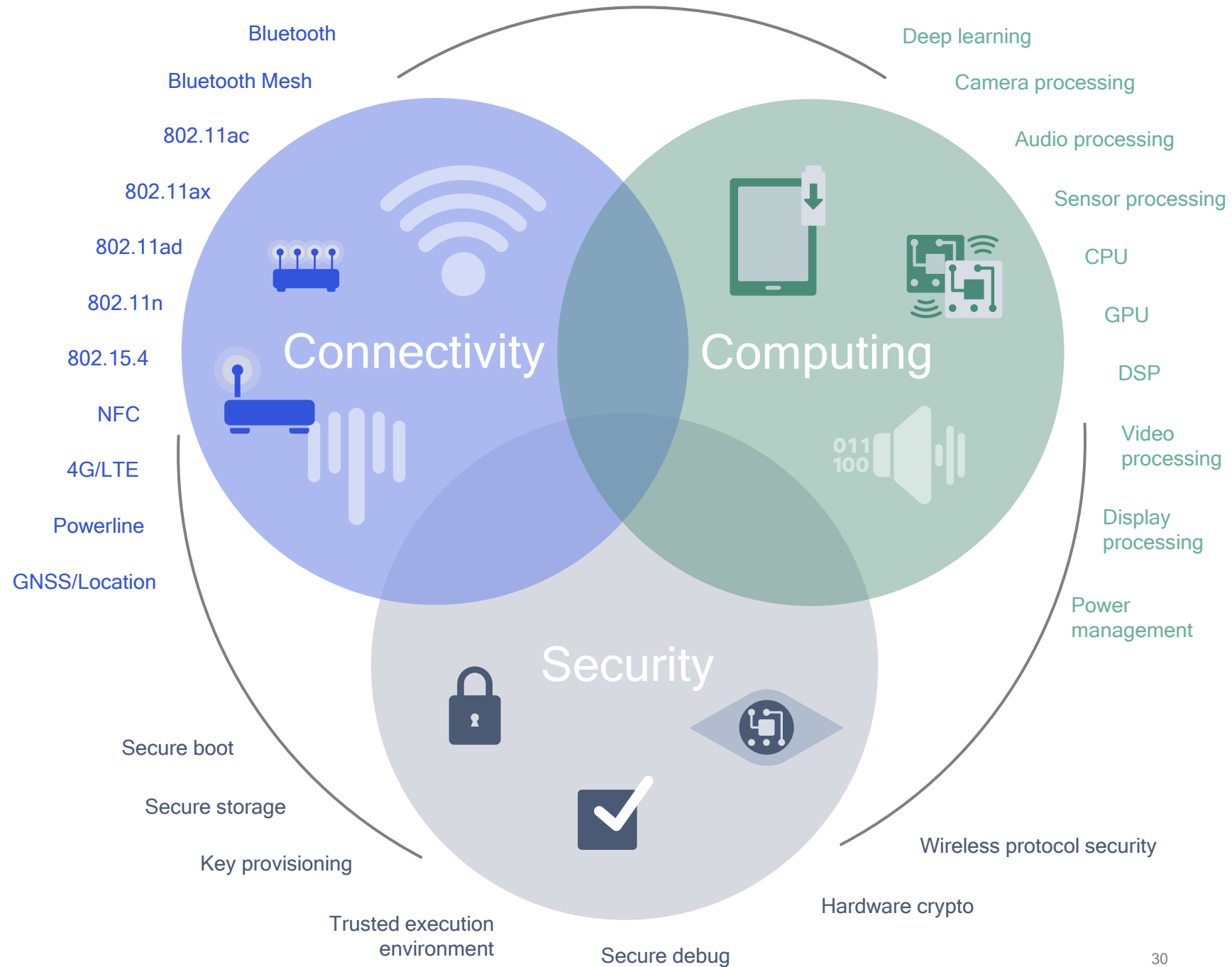
Better link  
budget

# We are driving broad ecosystem adoption of LTE IoT

Strong global momentum with our multi-mode  
commercial solution - MDM9206

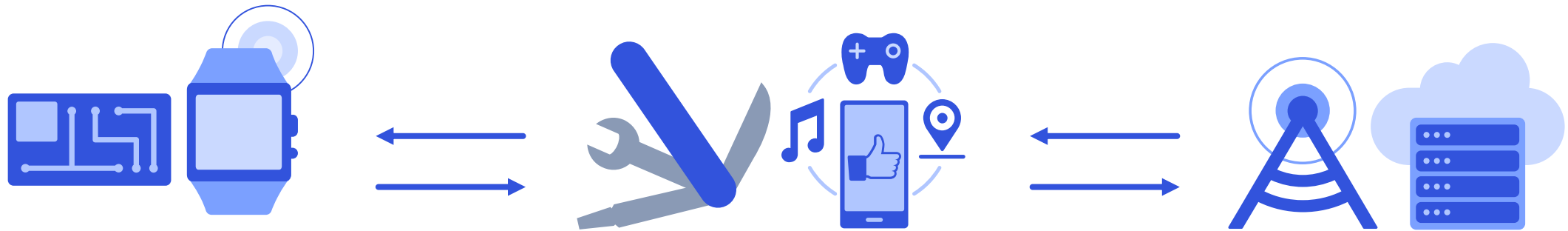
# Mobile technology drives the IoT

Building on our leadership in mobile inventions



# We have an end-to-end platform approach to the IoT

For massive scale deployment and quicker time-to-market



## Simplified device development

Reference platforms that include hardware & software; pre-certified modules & devices

## Simplified application development

Standardized communication protocols for interoperability & security; e.g., oneM2M

## Simplified deployment/management

Full-stack IoT solution that provides data analytics, device management, and more; e.g., Verizon ThingSpace

MDM9206 delivers a  
**Global narrowband  
solution for the IoT**



Single SKU for diverse deployment needs  
of carriers/end-users worldwide

**One hardware design**

Supporting multi-mode for Cat-M1, Cat-NB1,  
E-GPRS with integrated GNSS and VoLTE

**One software image**

Supporting dynamic mode selection with  
flexible configuration, e.g., Cat-M1 only/preferred,  
or Cat-NB1 only/preferred

**One RF**

15 LTE bands that cover virtually all of the world  
(B1-5, B8, B12-13, B17-20, B26, B28, B39)

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Highly  
cost-effective

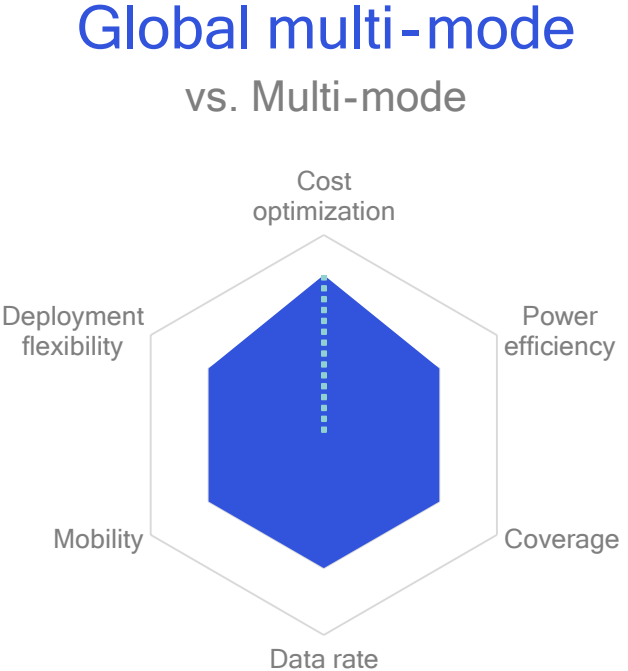
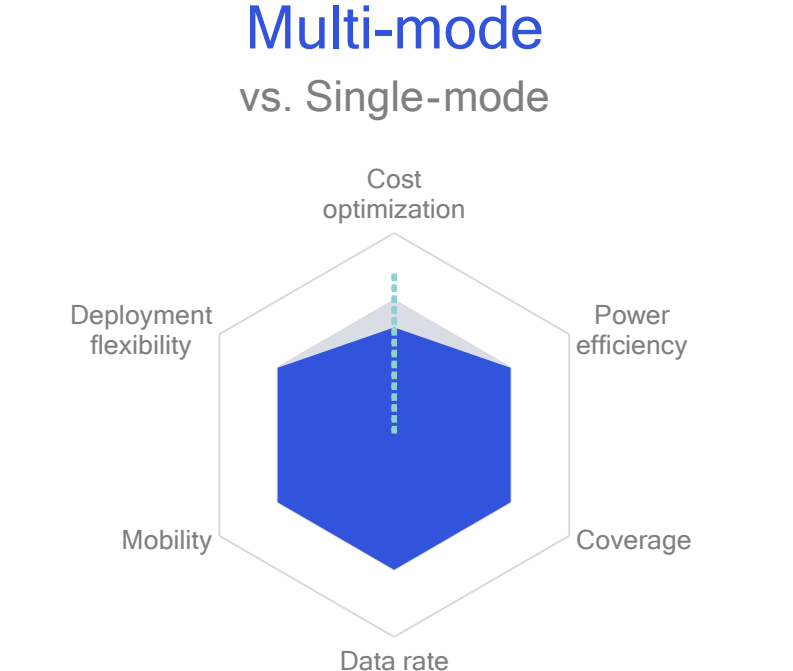
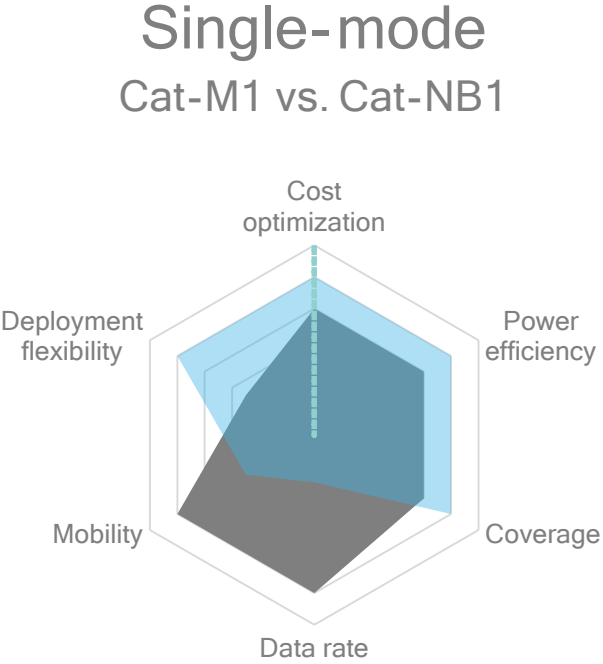
Fast  
commercialization

Futureproof with  
OTA upgrade



# Global multi-mode Cat-M1/NB1 most optimal approach

Combining the benefits of both technologies to address full range of use cases



■ Cat-M1   ■ Cat-NB1   ■ Multi-mode

# Improved OEM profitability with global SKU

Global multimode offers superior overall device economics

## Total cost of ownership

- Lower R&D and engineering costs
- Lower manufacturing overhead
- Simpler supply chain
- Lower inventory management costs

## De-risk EOL inventory

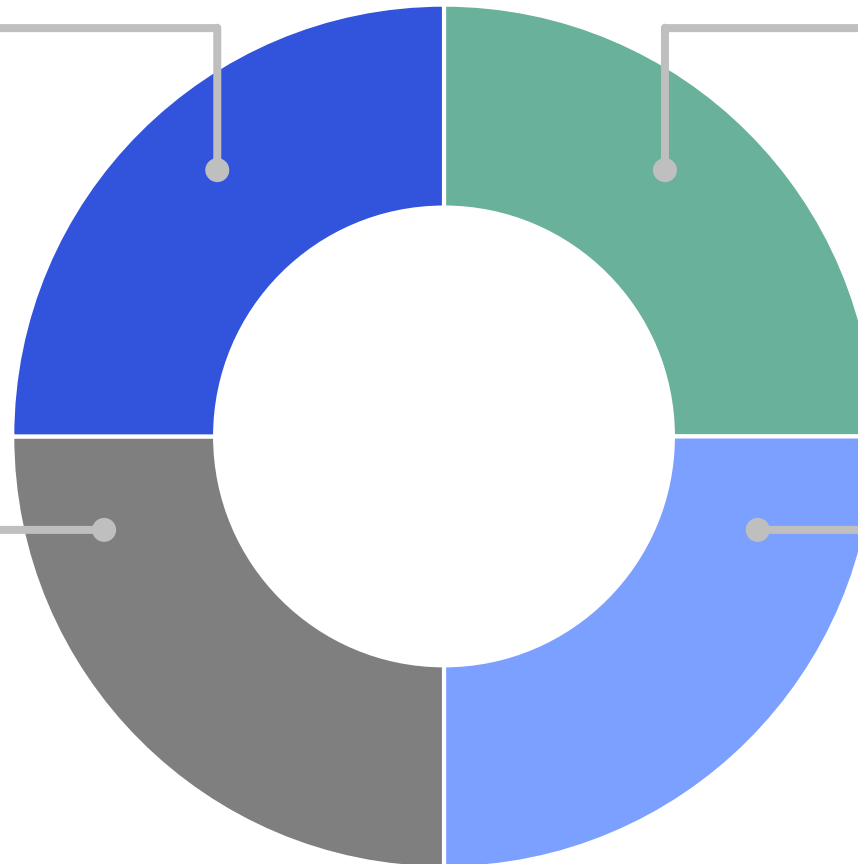
- Higher forecasting accuracy
- Cost-effective SW-based repurposing of unsold inventory

## Time to global launch

- Potentially larger market share
- Potentially higher ASPs for longer

## Higher return on R&D

- Reduce R&D bottleneck from variant support
- Shift development resources to next-gen innovation



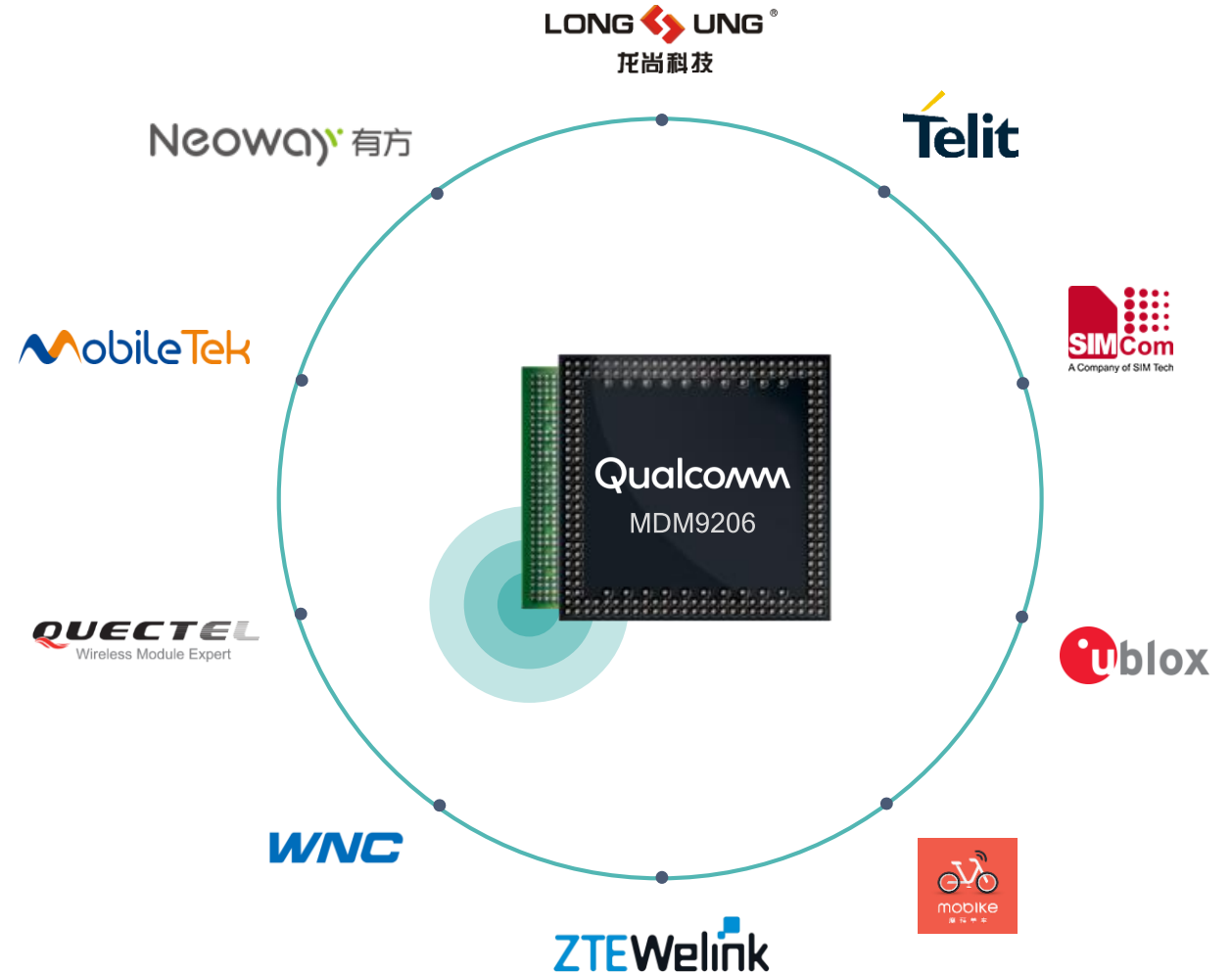
# Driving broad ecosystem adoption of LTE IoT

Enabling global deployments today

## MDM9206

Flexible LTE IoT chipset platform for  
Cat-M1, Cat-NB1, E-GPRS

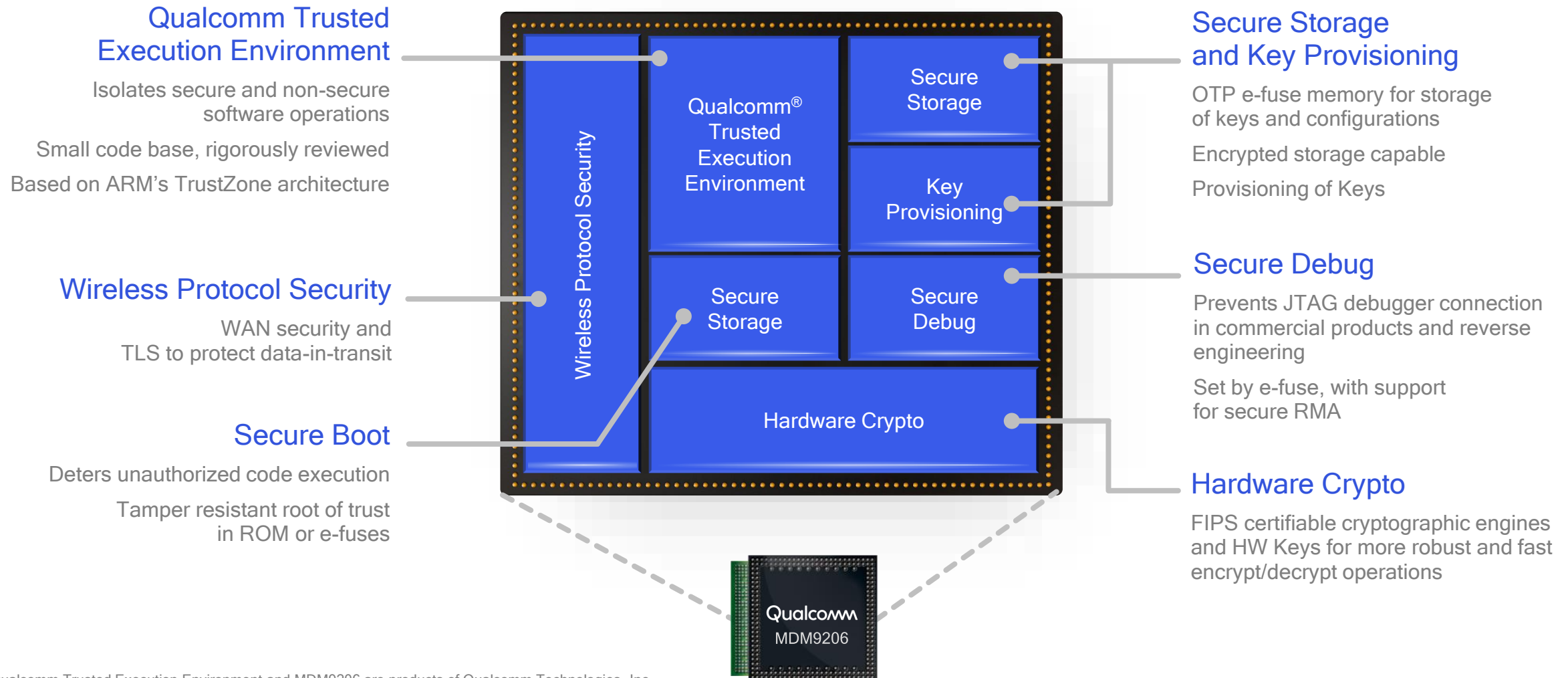
- Multiple design wins across leading module OEMs and operators
- Announced support for Verizon ThingSpace Platform with modules from Quectel and Telit in Jan. 2017
- Jointly demonstrated the performance of a successful IoT VoLTE call with Ericsson and AT&T in Feb. 2017
- Announced 1<sup>st</sup> multi-mode trial with Mobike and China Mobile, May 2017
- Pre-certified for major global mobile operators that shortens time-to-market





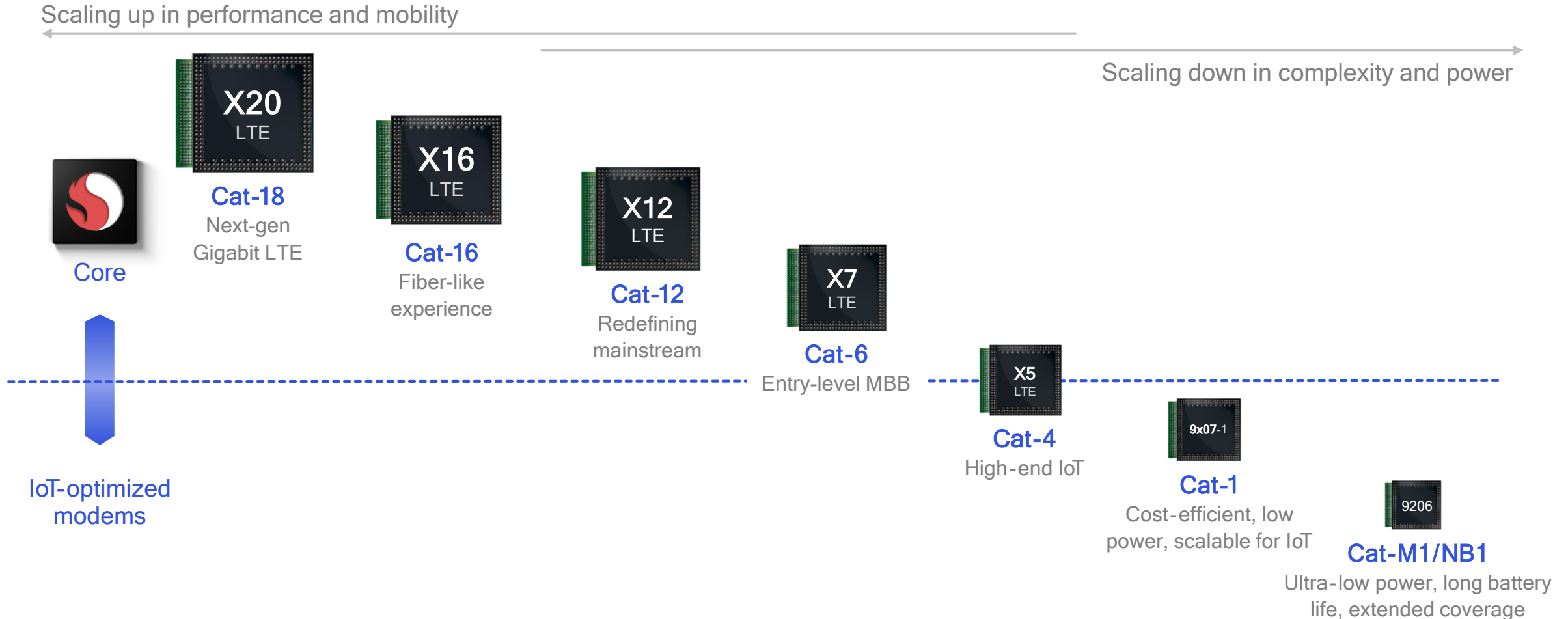
# Bringing new levels of HW-based security to IoT devices


## MDM9206 security foundations



# Delivering a scalable roadmap across all tiers and segments

## LTE from gigabit to micro-amp





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