

Machine Intelligence for Telecom and Beyond



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- **Ericsson**

- Mobile Infrastructure, Digital Services, Managed Services
- 180 countries
- 100K employees
- 45000 patents
- 1 bn subscribers on networks managed by us

- **Ericsson Research**

- 2G, 3G, 4G and 5G were invented at Ericsson Research
- 50% are PhDs
- 40% of all Ericsson patents come from Ericsson Research

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Do you know what's common between these?

Cortana

Lucida

Mika

Amelia

Alexa

Siri

Watson



Data Lake

Cortana

Lucida

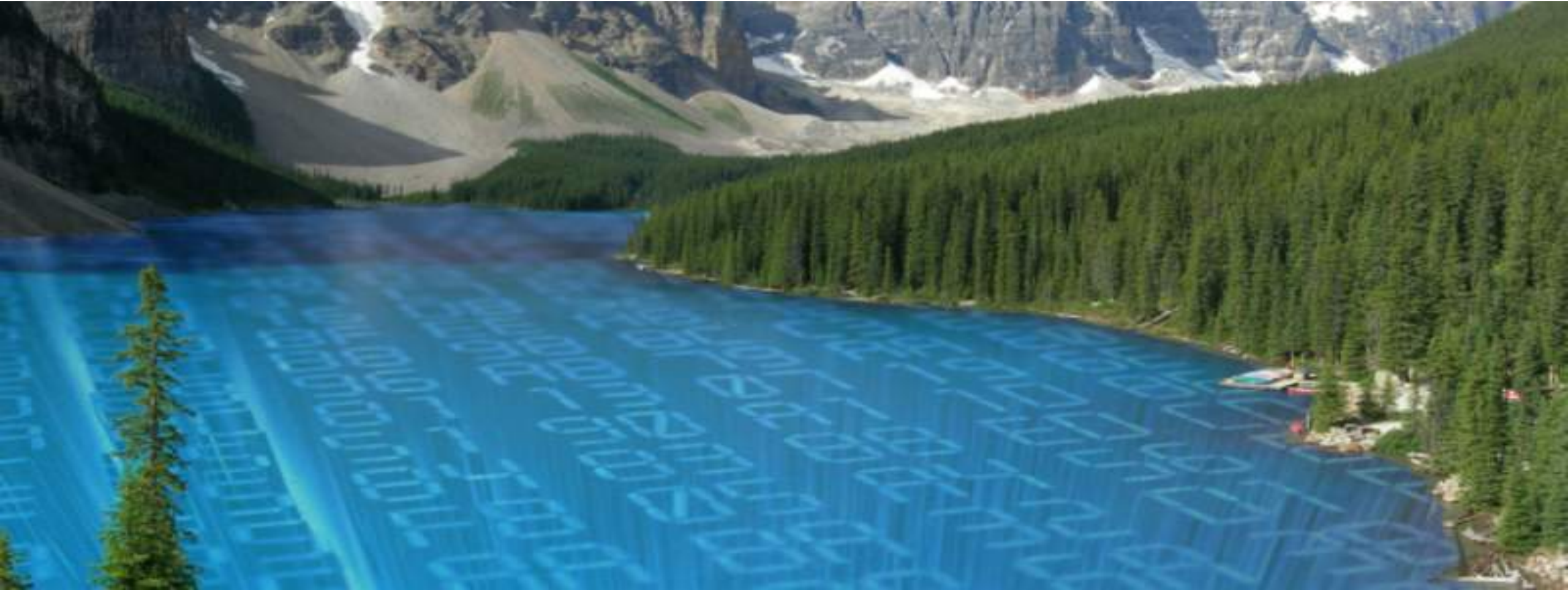
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Hi, what is Machine Intelligence?

Hi Elena, according to Ericsson definition,
Machine Intelligence is a combination
of Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence.

What's MSDP?

MSDP = Multicast Source Discovery Protocol
MSDP = Multiservice Delivery Platform
MSDP = Managed Services Delivery Platform

What are your sources?

Ericsson Product Catalogue, CPI Store, Wikipedia,
and your calendar

Tell me when site X is likely to require a preventative maintenance visit?

Judging from the site profile learned over time, and the current site behavior, the maintenance will be needed in Q3 2018.

TALK IS

CHEAP,

BUT

ACTIONS ARE

PRICELESS



What actions did you do for Operator A's network last month?

I changed parameter configuration in the 5G network nodes. I also sent offers to subscribers with high risk of churn.

Why?

Because we need to stay competitive towards our enterprise customers while keeping our subscribers happy.

The value is in data

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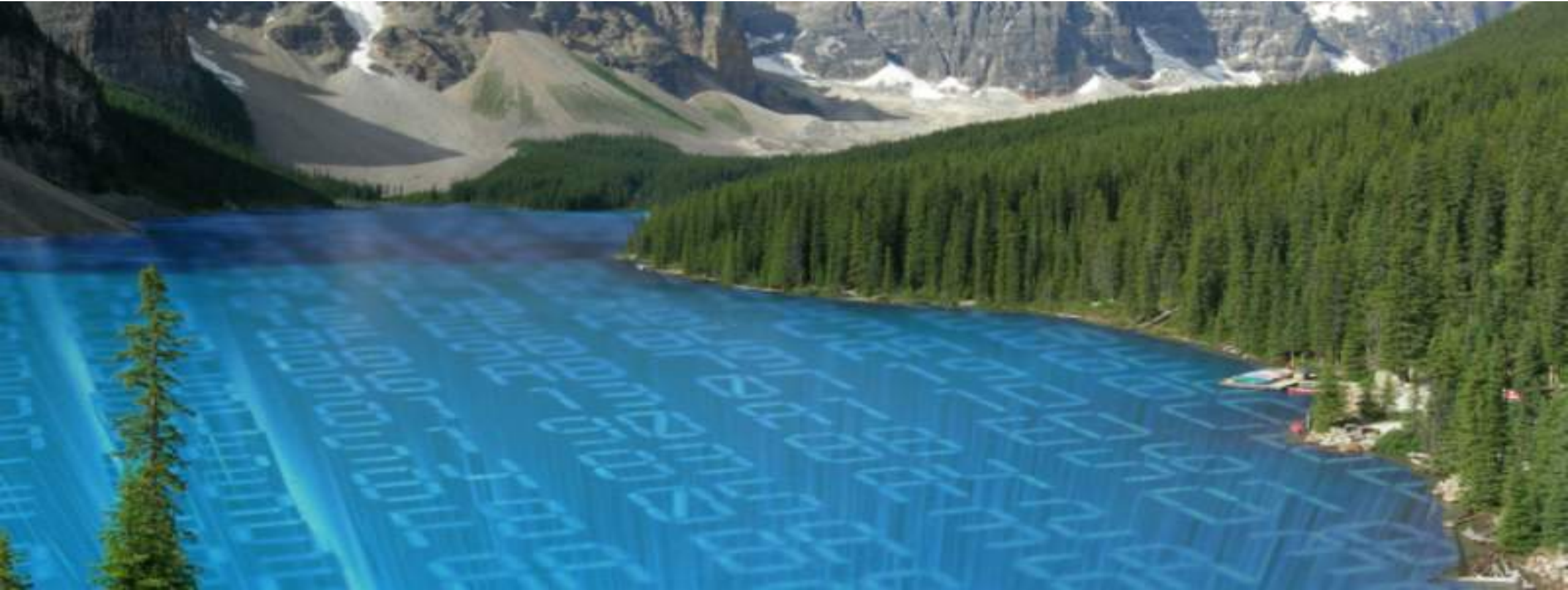
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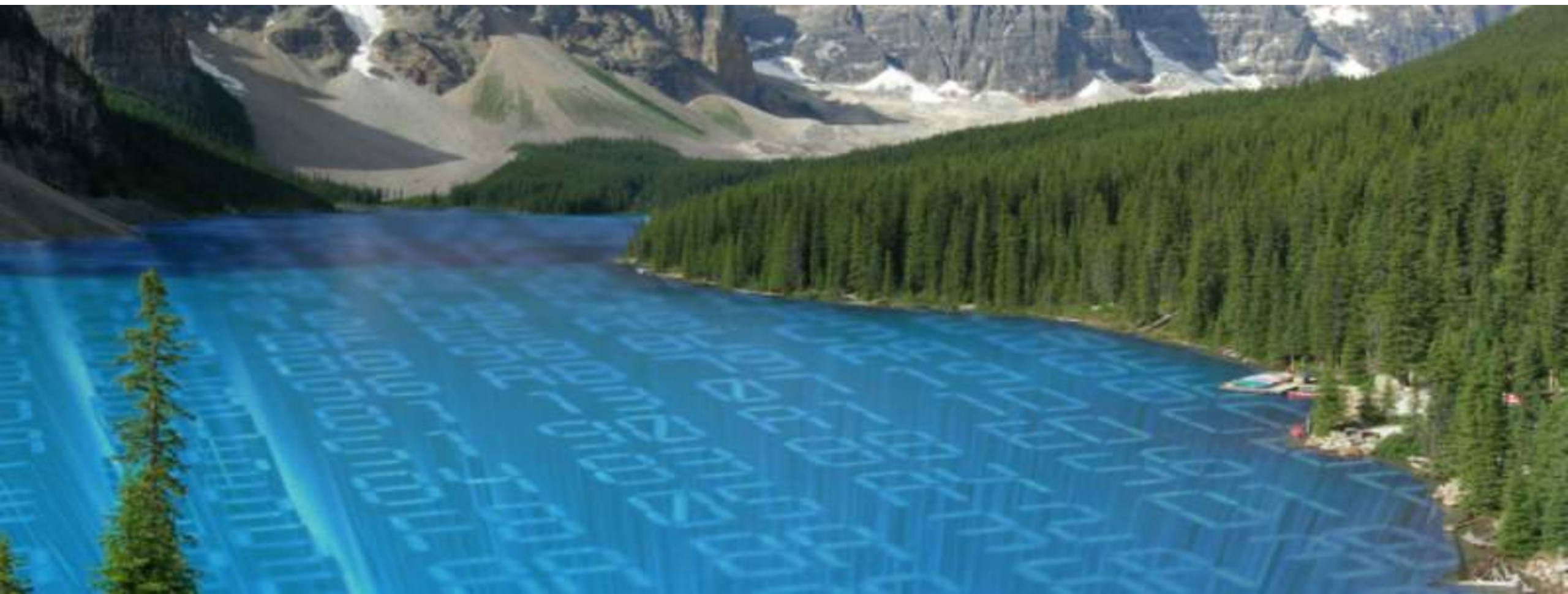
From raw data to action



Data and its processing



What's in the data lake?



ONE DAY IN THE LIFE OF A MEDIUM SIZED NETWORK (~10M CUSTOMERS)



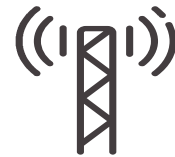
Web pages
700,000,000



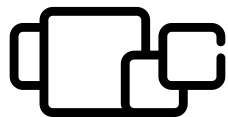
Internet sessions (PDP)
66,000,000



Videos
40,000,000



Radio sessions (RAB)
120,000,000



+200 more types
of events

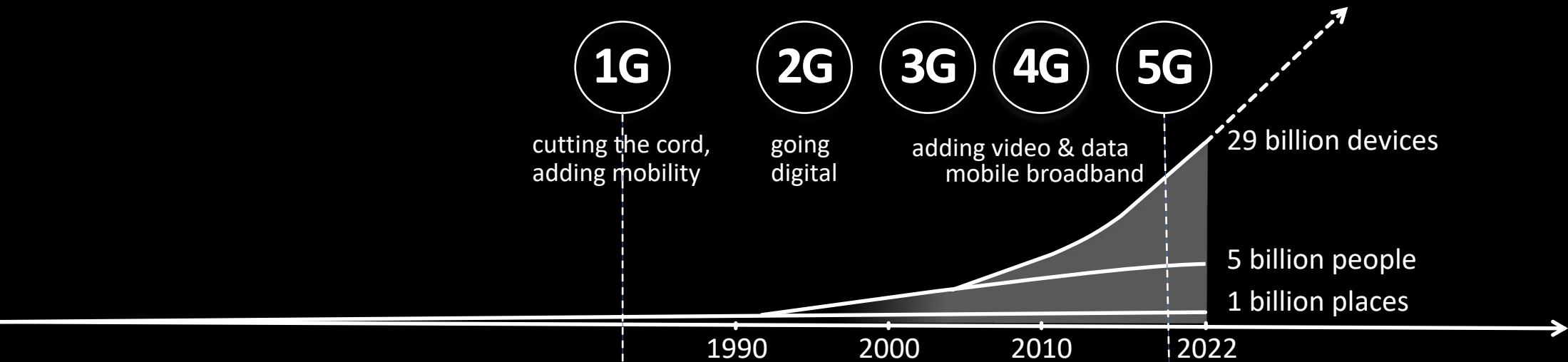


Handovers (HSDSCH-CC)
300,000,000

Sum data
10 → 100 TB/day

Real-time data rate
100,000 → 1,000,000
events/second

5G – a foundation for digitalization





SENSORS
EVERYWHERE



BROADBAND AND MEDIA
EVERYWHERE



SMART VEHICLES,
TRANSPORT



INFRASTRUCTURE, MONITOR
AND CONTROL



CRITICAL CONTROL
OF REMOTE DEVICES



INTERACTION
HUMAN-IOT

5g

USE CASES



Evolution to 5G will see increase in network complexity

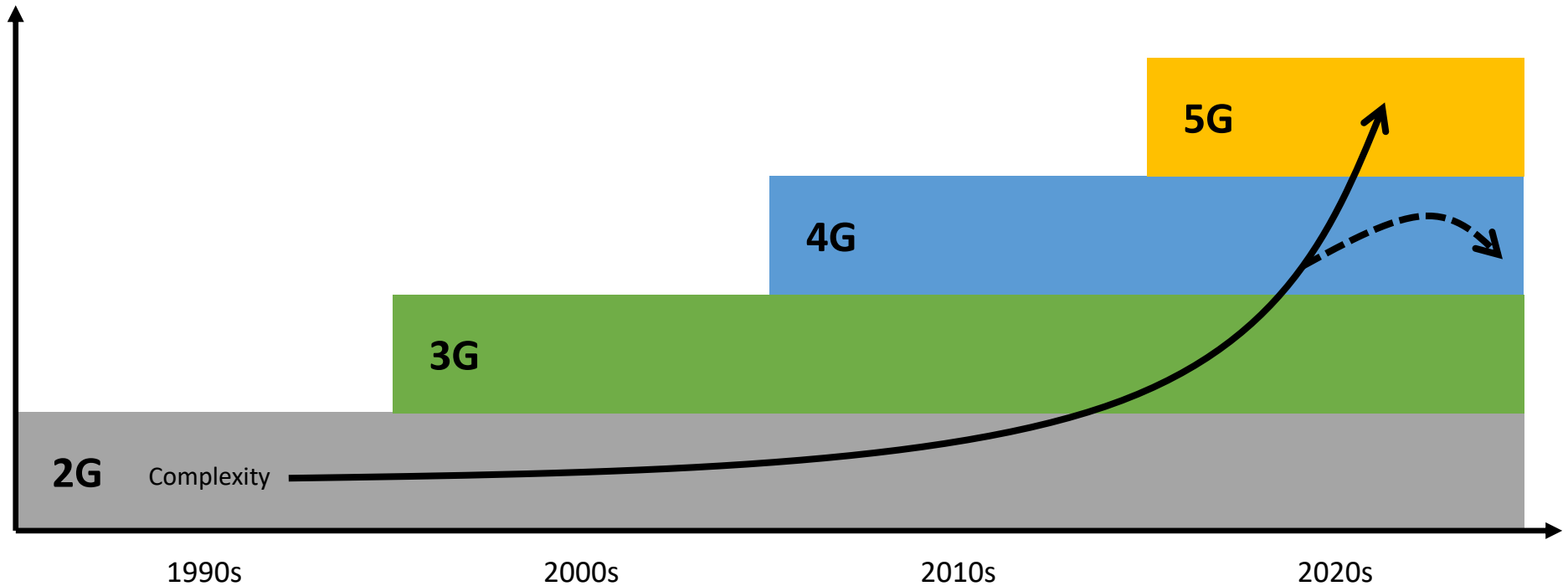
Multiple coexisting technologies

Network function virtualization

Vast differences in terminal capability

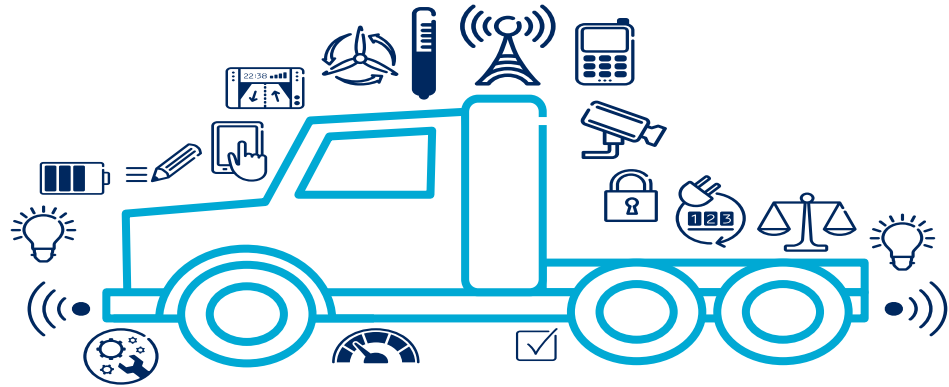
Significant variation in traffic demand

Completely new & varied use cases

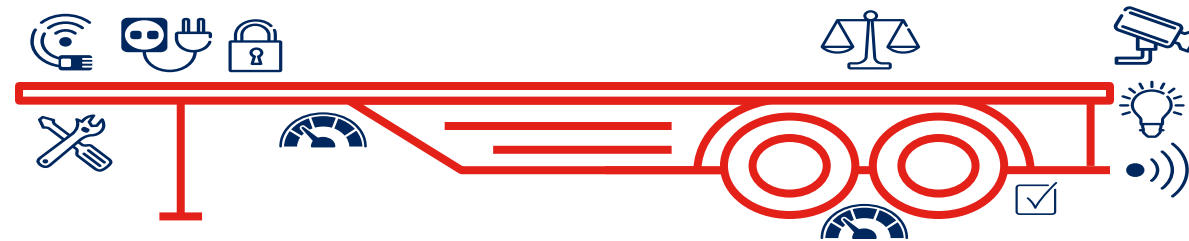


Dealing with opex and network performance in this environment will go beyond the reach of humans

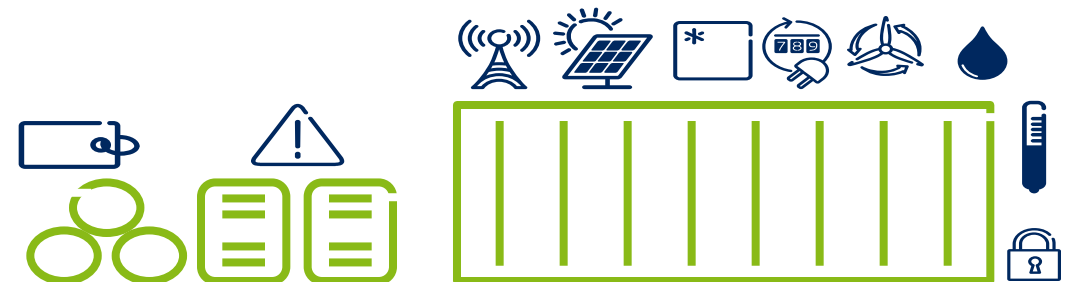
Complexity in the connected world



e.g. transportation systems are increasingly complex and full of sensors, smart devices and steered by multiple services running on both devices and cloud



the integration of components like trucks, trailers and containers shall be simple



Patient A.
Blood pressure:
160/100
Measured at home

Doctor booked

Street light armature
#42:13, lamp 2

Work order sent
to Streets & Parks dept.
Juni 4, 2012
2:34 PM

Blinking bulb at
157 Highstreet
Message sent to
caretakers

Booking
confirmed

A1 northbound
Congestion: 18 km/h
Suggest alternative route?

Loaded
units:
1500

Remaining units:
4500
Estimated departure:
2:55 PM

High levels of
particles in oil
Book service?

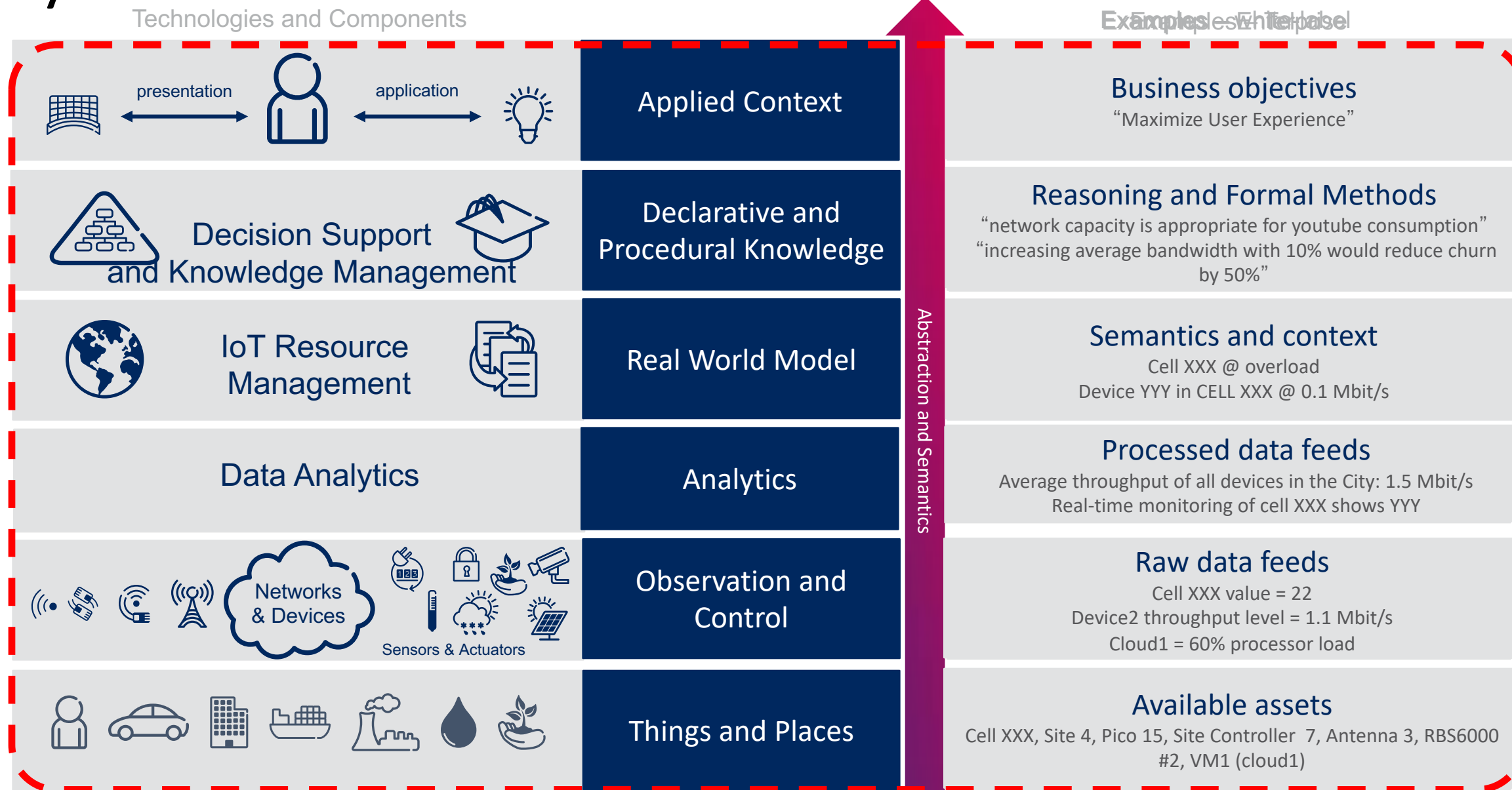
Plant 1 too dry!
Message sent
to dad

Cyclist
approaching
Change to
green signal

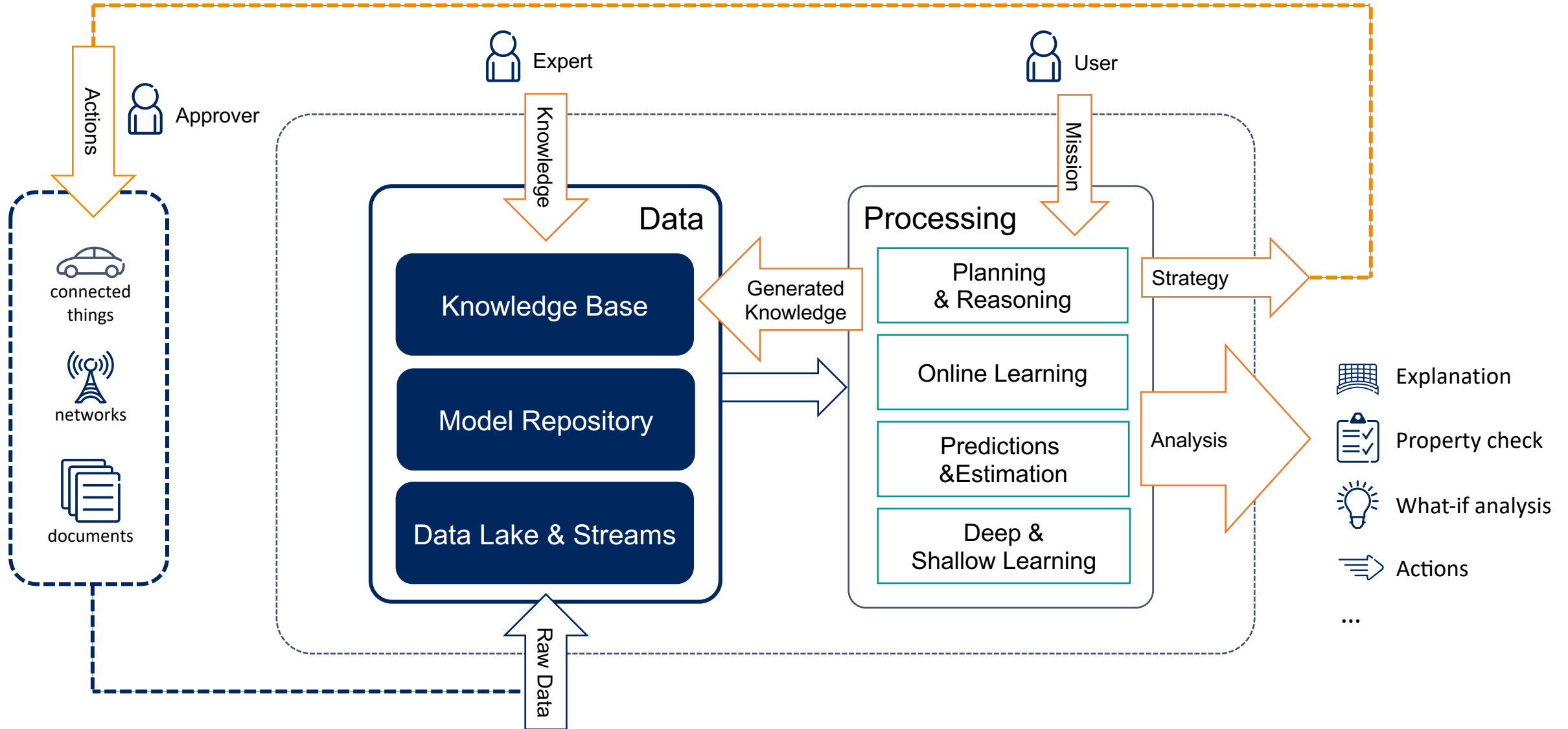
Great!

CO₂-emission:
Below target value

Management and Operations of a Cyber-Physical System



Technologies behind the scenes



Intelligent Site



Power failures
detection

Prediction accuracy

- **85%**
in combined prediction of
site down
- **85%**
in battery degradation
- **90%**
in grid outage



Sleeping cells
prediction*

7 out of 10

Sleeping cells correctly
predicted up to 24h in
advance



Field dispatch
prevention

9 out of 10

unnecessary site visits
predicted correctly



Digital Twin
- site profiling

At least 1

anomaly detected in
44% of sites
over a month



SLA/ KPI
degradation*

KPI accuracy

Throughput : **80%**
Latency : **85%**

Use Case – Sleeping Cell Prediction

Description

Identify the patterns or triggers that predict the likelihood of a site going to sleeping/silent mode, and automate actions to resolve the issue.

Data Requirements

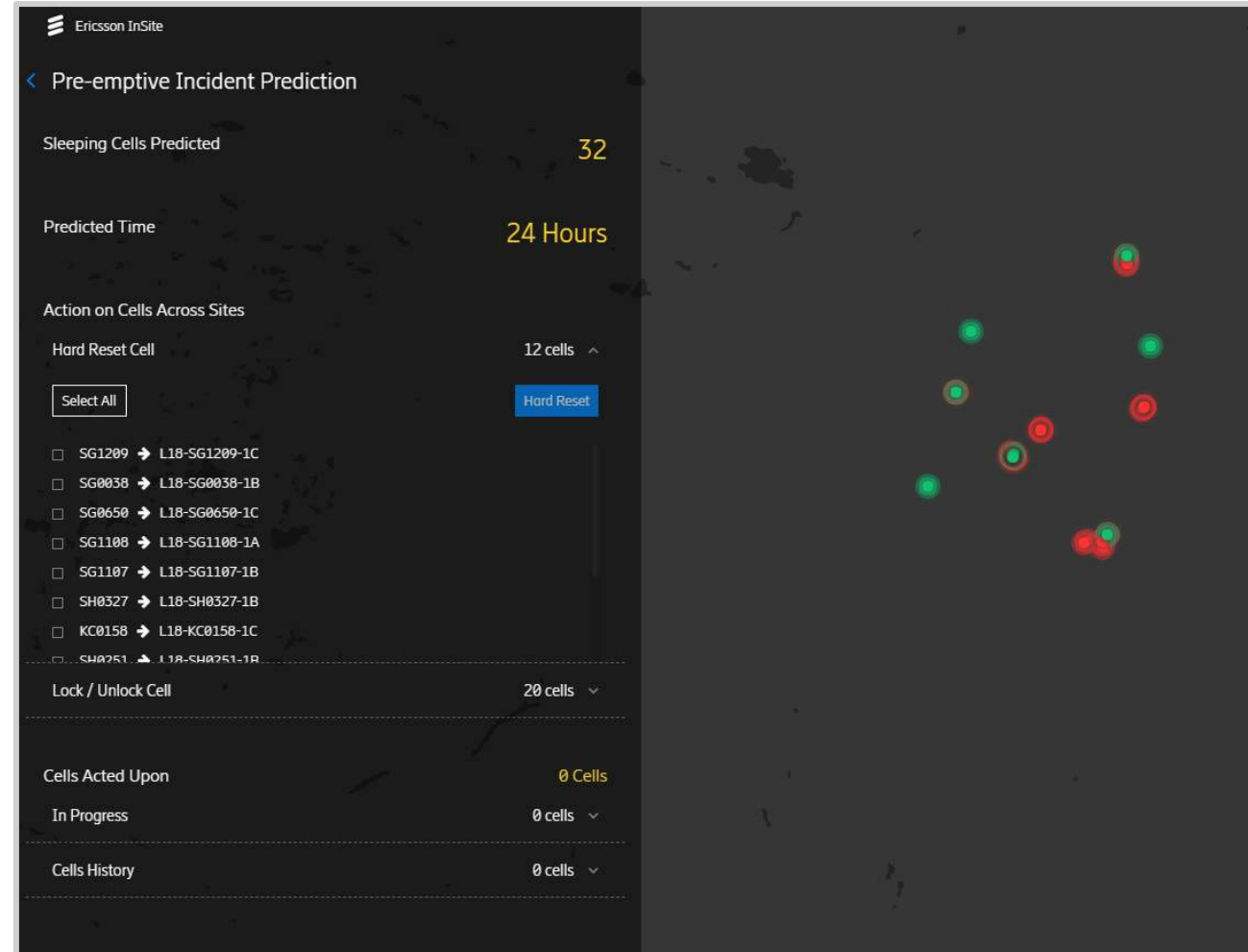
PM Counters, Site Parameters (incl. physical locations), Configuration Management, CTUM, Cell Trace and Automation logs

Data Models & Algorithms

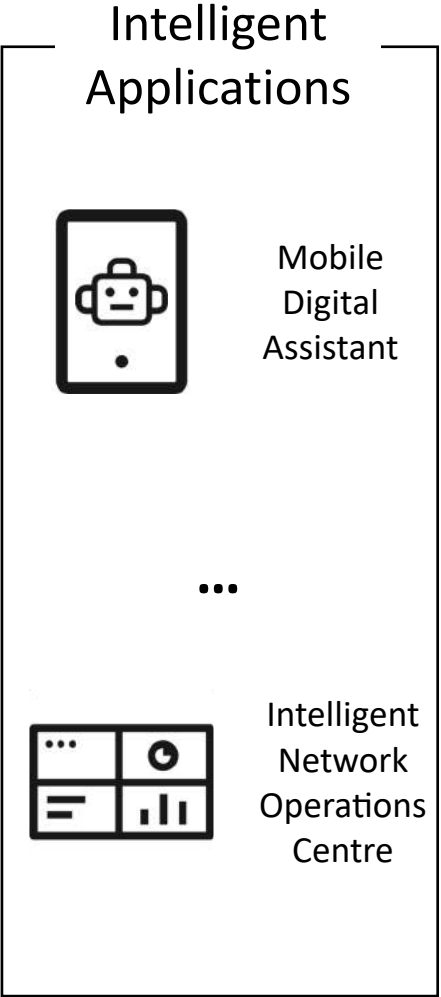
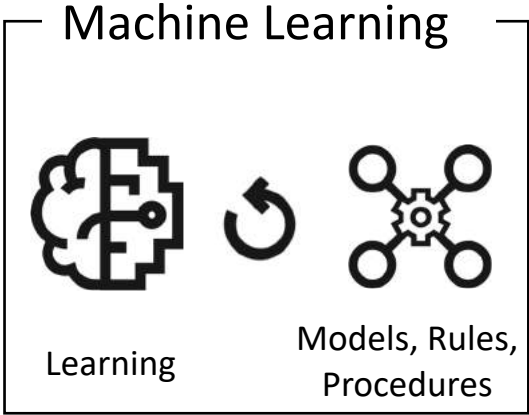
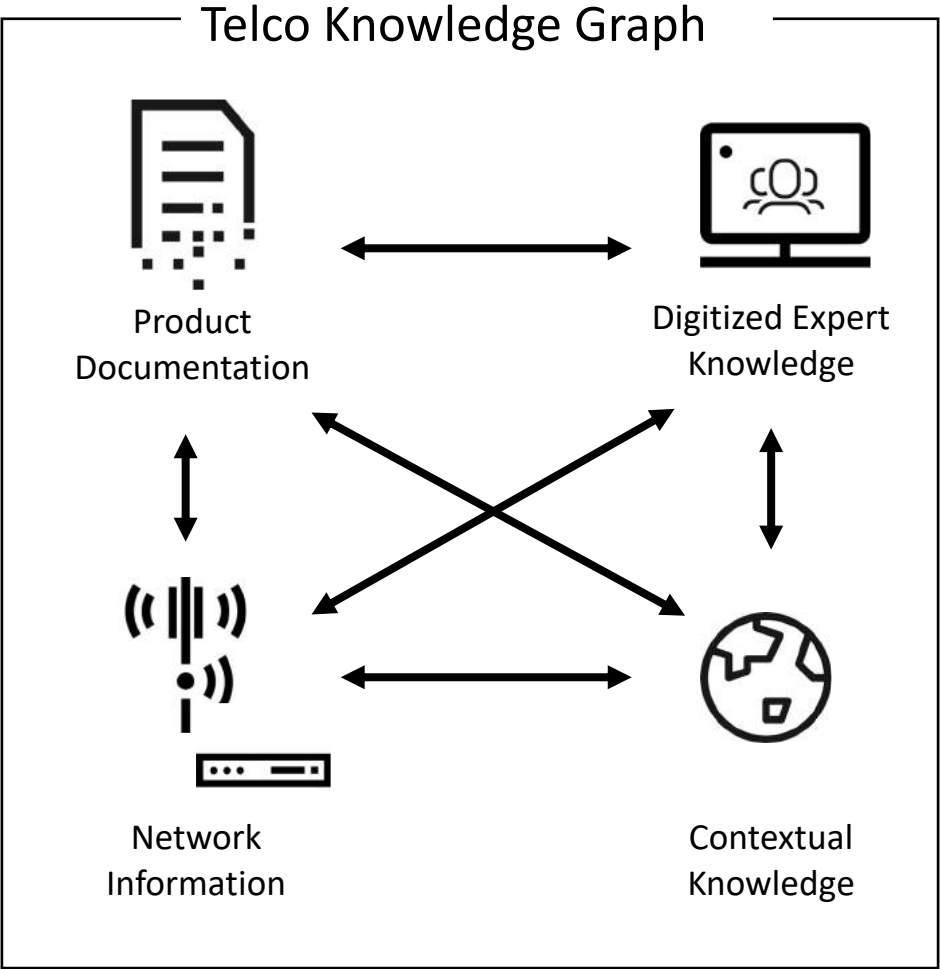
Conditional Inference Tree

Automations

Trigger pre-defined runbooks in an Automation tool to perform remedial tasks (e.g. unlock)



Telco Knowledge Graph



Insights
Structured, Linked Data

Data
Informed Decision-Making

Key insights

Data-driven and data-centric research

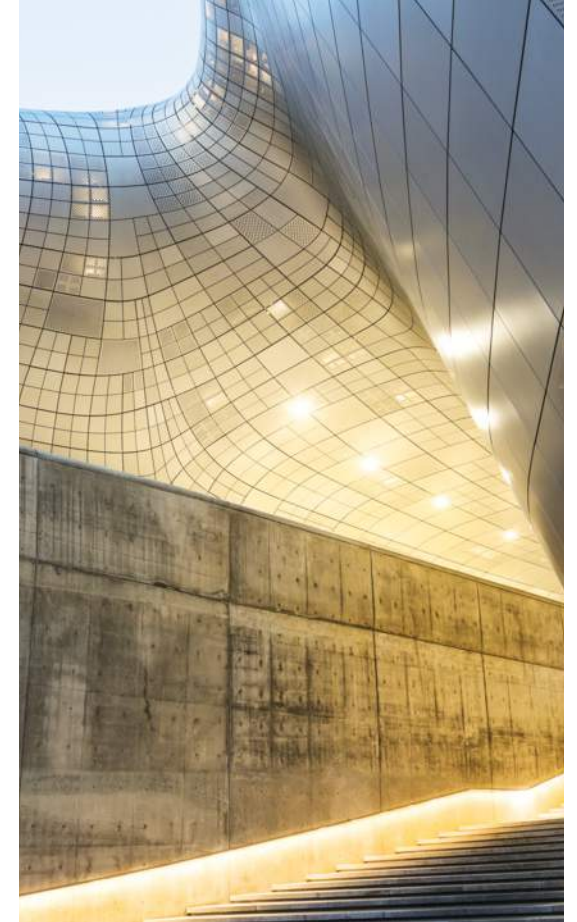
- Dealing with heterogeneity through semantics
- Right data at right time and place
- Keeping the global state together

Mix of MI approaches and techniques

- ML meets Reasoning
- Declarative meets Procedural
- Collaborative Intelligence

Frameworks will be needed for success of MI applications

- Safety
- Trust
- Transparency
- Explainability
- Privacy



Questions & Answers





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