



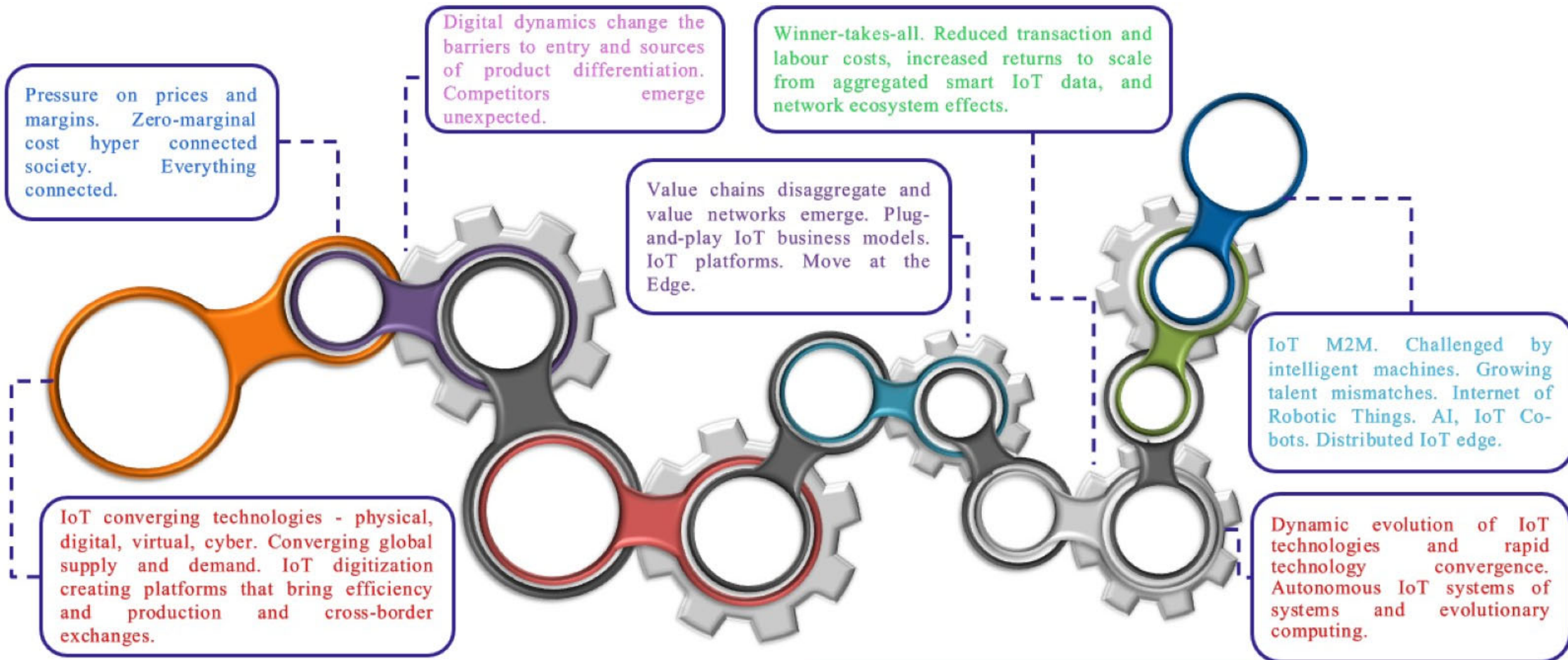
Autonomous self-organized edge IoT intelligent systems

Research directions

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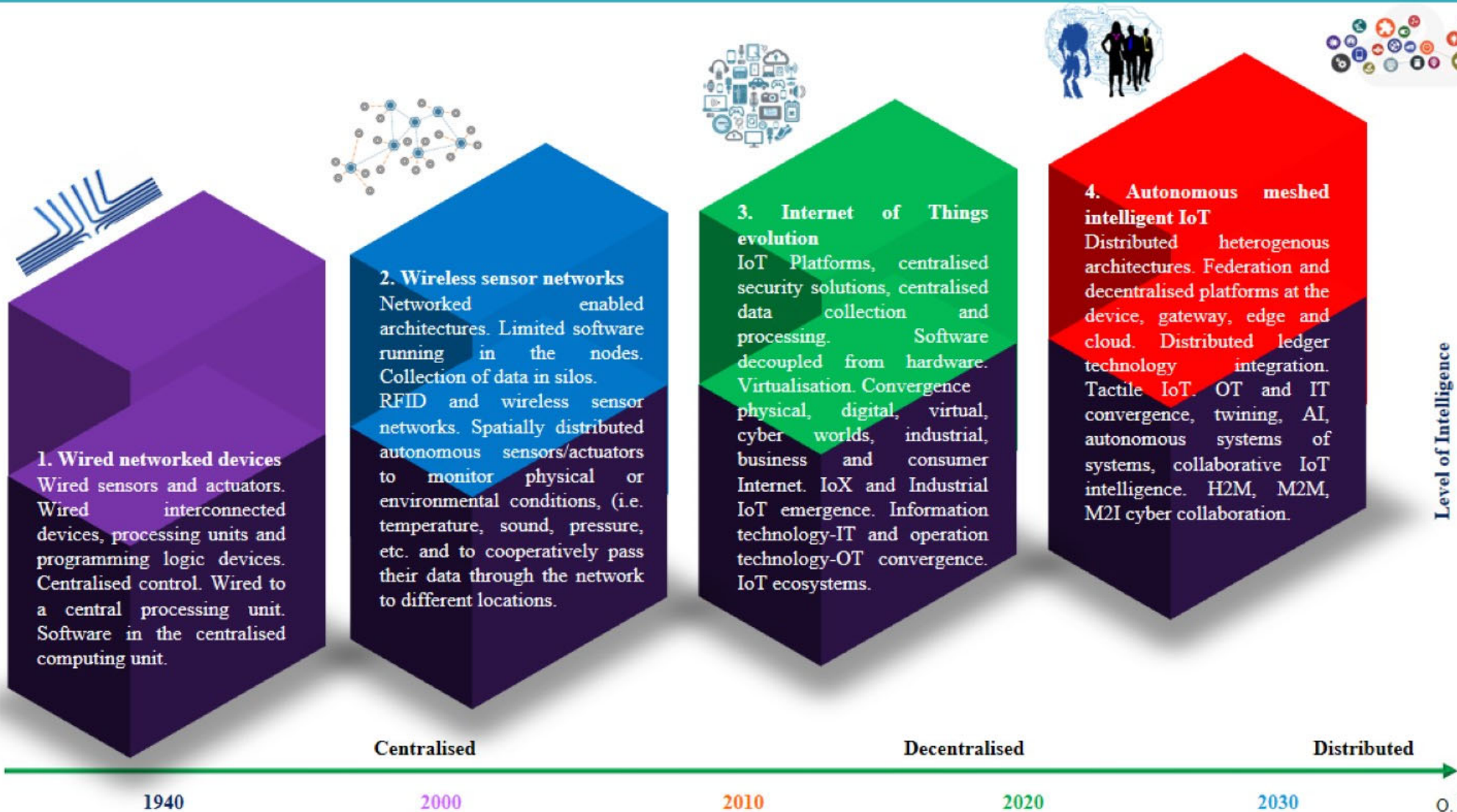
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Hyperconnected Technologies



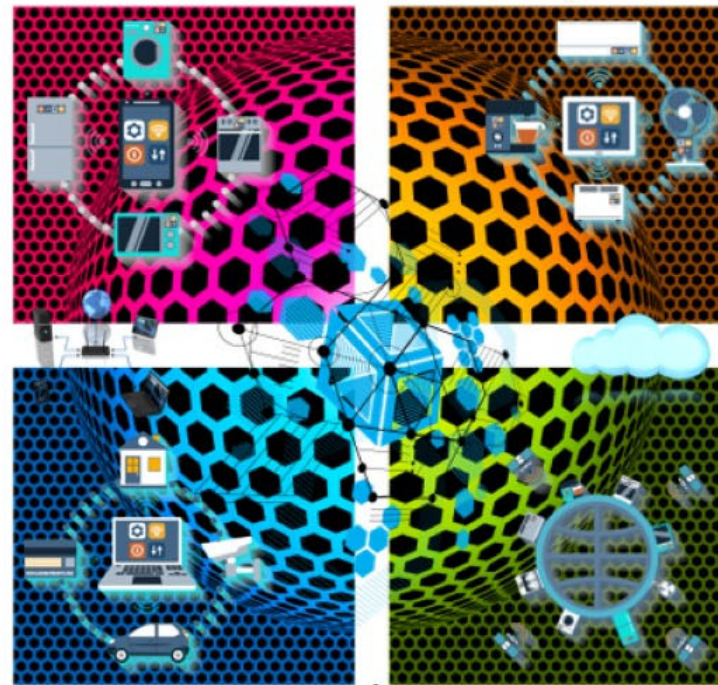
Internet of Intelligent Things Evolution

IoT Knowledge Level Integration and Knowledge Driven Capability



Everything Intelligent Everywhere

Everything **connected**, everything **analysed**,
Embedded intelligence **everywhere**



Embedded Artificial intelligence

- Autonomous Systems
- Electricity Everywhere
- Digital Twinning

Hyper-connected Society Federated Intelligence

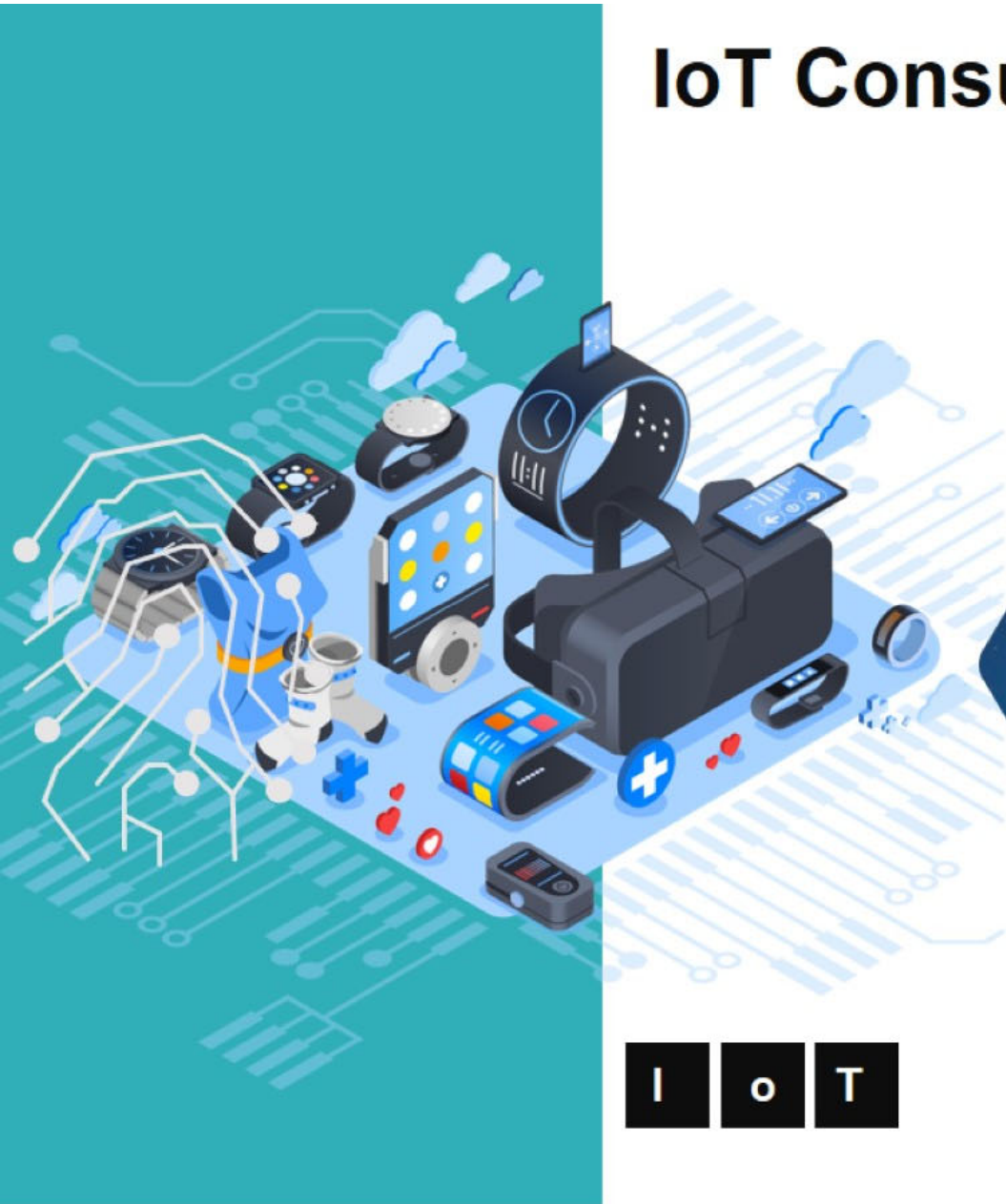
- Pervasive Sensing
- Edge Computing
- Autonomic and Organic

- Physical, Digital, Virtual
- Perception - Cognition - Behaviour
- Sustainability Energy Efficiency

Human-Machine Interaction Machine-Machine Collaboration

- Signal and Data Processing
- Ubiquitous Integration
- Autonomous Collaboration

IoT Consumer – Business - Industrial



I O T

Industrial IoT

Ultra-reliable and very-low latency
static and mobile applications



Business IoT

Massive density and high
data rate applications



Consumer IoT

Medium density and
enhanced user experience
data rate applications



IoT



IoT of Senses

Extreme-reliable and ultra-
low latency applications

The Age of Ubiquitous
 Distributed Sensing,
 Mesh Networks, Edge
 Organic Computing,
 Embedded Intelligence.

Next-Wave Ubiquitous

A⁶ = Anyone, Anything, Anytime, Anywhere Any path, Any service



"When wireless is perfectly applied the whole earth will be converted into a huge brain, which in fact it is, all things being particles of a real and rhythmic whole.....and the instruments through which we shall be able to do this will be amazingly simple compared with our present telephone. A man will be able to carry one in his vest pocket."

1926 – Nikola Tesla
 Interview with Colliers magazine.

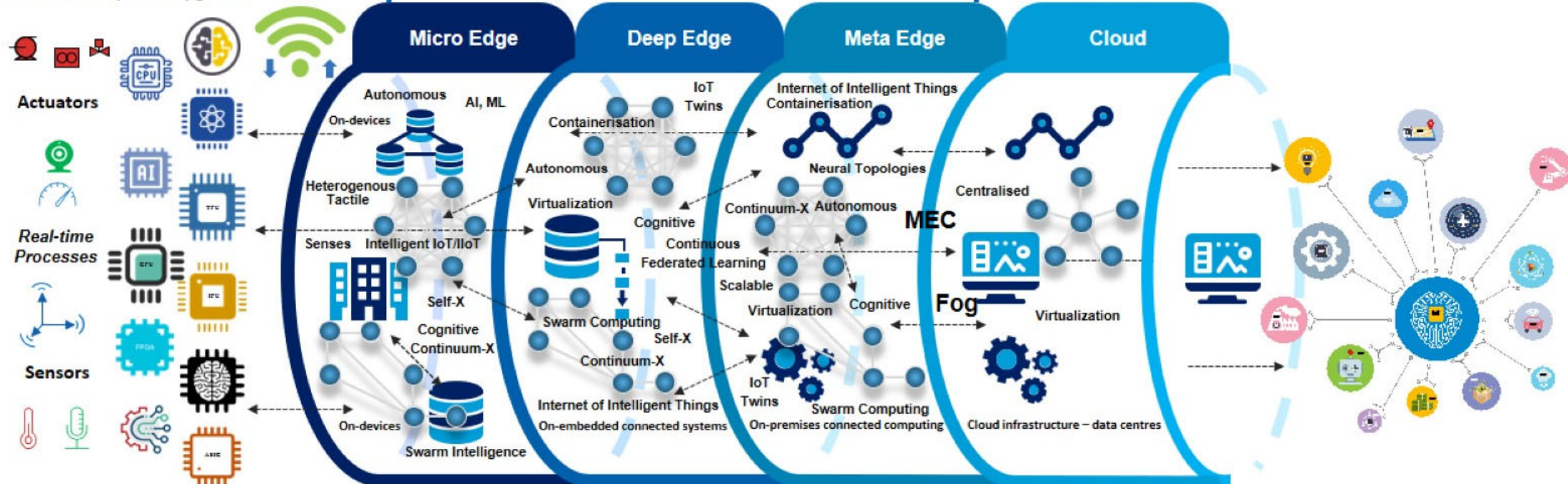
C⁶ = Create, Collect, Connect, Cache, Compute, Cognize, Create O. Vermesan

Computing Continuum – IoT Edge Granularity

Applications



Scalability, efficiency, adaptability, transparency,
Dependability, trustworthiness.
Over-the-air updates/upgrades.



Distributed Data Pipeline

DSPs, FPGAs, CPUs, GPUs, ASICs Network Processing Unit (NPU), Intelligent Processing Unit (IPU). Tensor Processing Unit (TPU), Reduced Instr. Set Computer RISC-V, Neuromorphic.

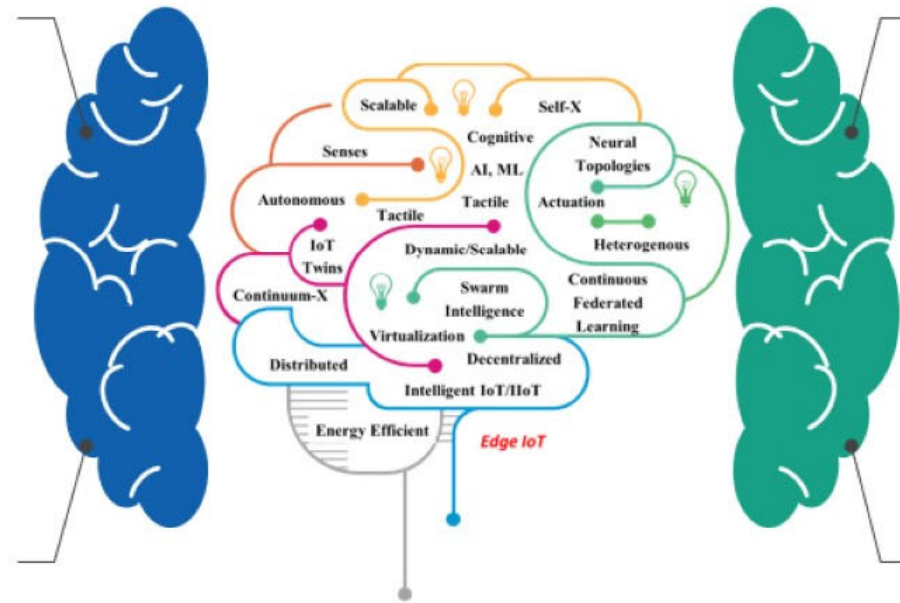
Computing units (industrial processing, panel units, etc.) , network computing units (intelligent routers, switches, gateways and other communications hardware), intelligent controllers (PLCs, RTUs, DCS).

Micro and clustered servers to handle compute intensive tasks / workloads (e.g., high-end CPUs, GPUs, FPGAs, etc.), on premises edge computing, local edge.

Cloud Infrastructure. Local, regional and national data centres. Federation of clouds and data centres.

Internet of Intelligent Things – Research Directions

Convergence of Technologies



- Pre-normative and standardisation

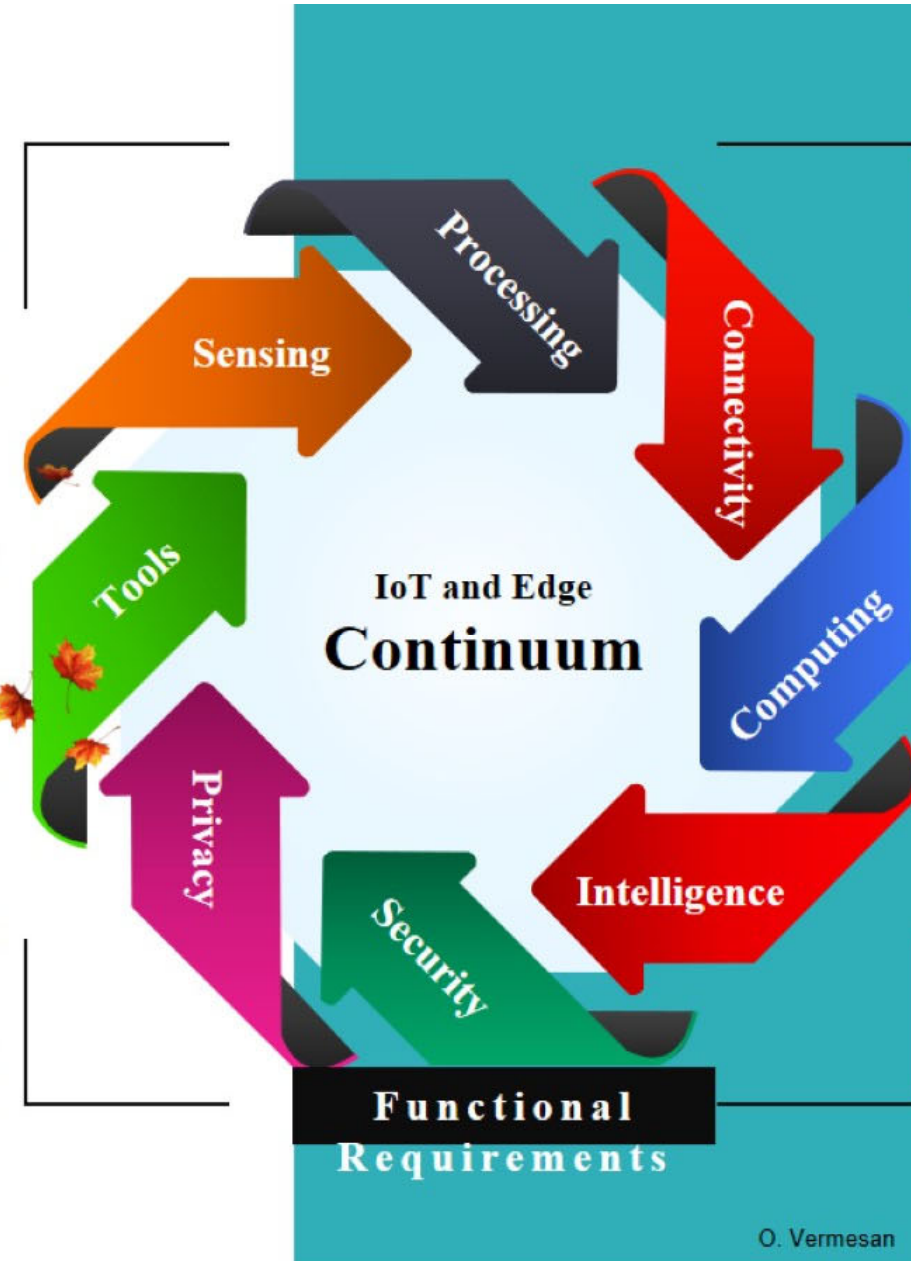
Convergence of Infrastructure

- Decentralized and Distributed IoT Edge Systems
- Federated Learning and AI
- OS and Autonomous Orchestration
- Dynamic Programming Tools and Environments
- IoT Systems Integration
- IoT sectorial and Cross-Sectorial Open Platforms
- IoT Verification, Validation and Testing Methods
- IoT Trustworthiness and Systems Dependability

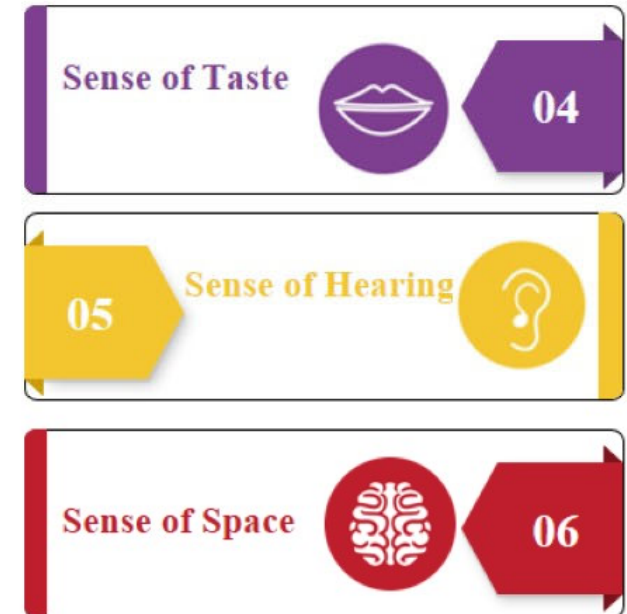
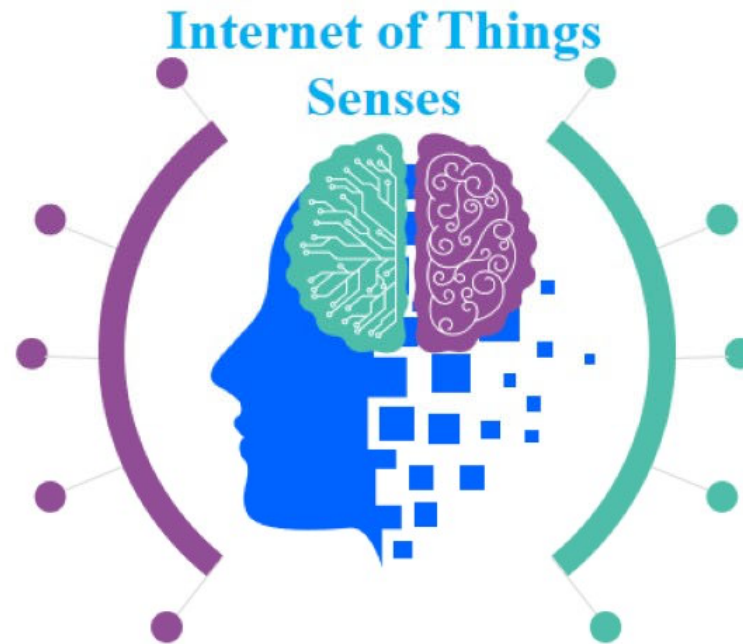
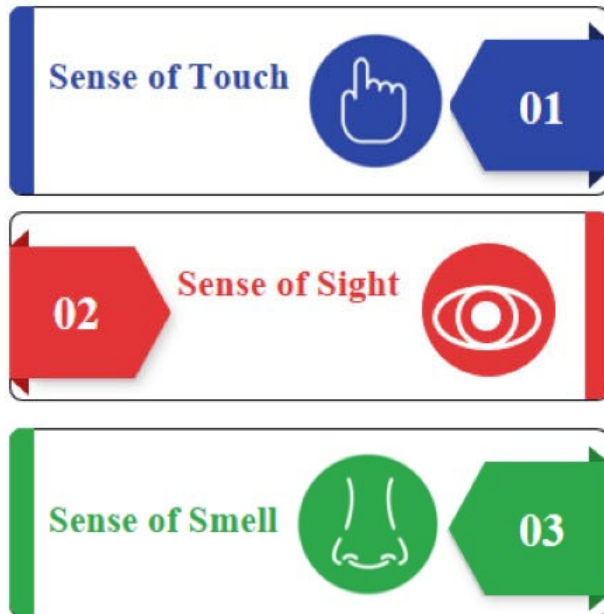
- IoT Granularity
- IoT and X-Continuum Paradigm
- Intelligent Connectivity
- Energy-Efficient Intelligent IoT and Edge Computing Systems
- Heterogeneous Cognitive Mobile IoT Edge Mesh
- IoT Digital Twins, Modelling and Simulation Environments
- IoT Swarm Systems
- Internet of Things Senses – Tactile IoT

Continuum-X

- Continuum-X across the edge granularity combined with the AI approached as a technology stack that consists of several technologies including different types of hardware, software, algorithms.
- Challenges:
 - IoT edge functions for distributed and federated learning
 - Integration of heterogenous computing paradigms (pervasive, edge, swarm, organic, etc.)
 - Collective intelligence, self-supervised learning, meta-learning, continual and multitask learning.
 - The edge nodes are optimised based on the energy, connectivity, size, cost The computing resources are constrained by these parameters.
 - IoT edge digital twins modelling, representation and simulation across the edge granularity and continuum-x

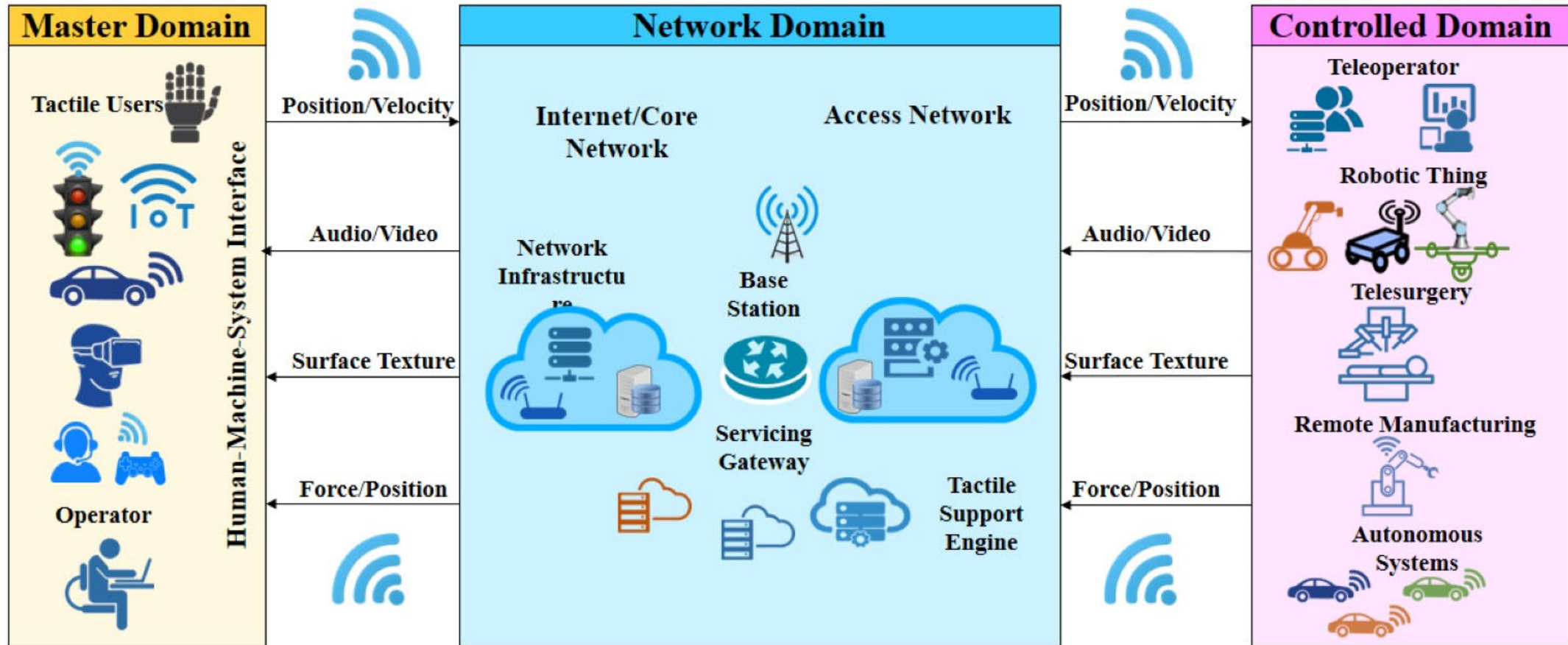


Internet of Things Senses (IoTS)



Complements and extends the capabilities of IoT applications by including other senses (e.g. vision, hearing, touch, taste, smell, pain, mechanoreception-balance, temperature, etc.) and providing new perceptions and experiences by integrating augmented intelligence and information across senses, time, and space.

Tactile Internet of Things Senses (IoTS)



Tactile IoT/IIoT combines ultra-low latency with extremely high availability, reliability and security and enables humans and machines to interact with their environment, in real-time, using haptic interaction with visual feedback, while on the move and within a certain spatial communication range.

Internet of Things Senses

- Challenges:

- Haptic edge sensors/actuators
- Surface sensing and actuation
- Multi-modal sensory and information fusion
- Collaborative multi-user haptic communications
- Stability for haptic control
- Energy-efficient haptic codecs integrated into the kinesthetic and tactile information.
- Ultra-high reliability, ultra-low-latency connectivity
- Performance metrics –evaluation methods beyond Technology Readiness Level (TRL) such as Experience Readiness Level (ERL) that include new QoS metrics, Quality-of-Experience (QoE) and Quality-of-Task (QoT)

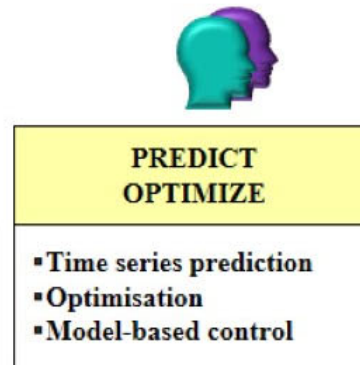
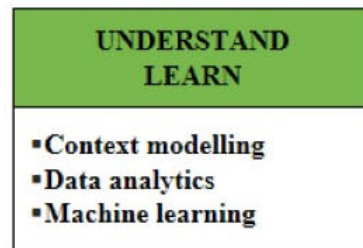


**Functional
Requirements**

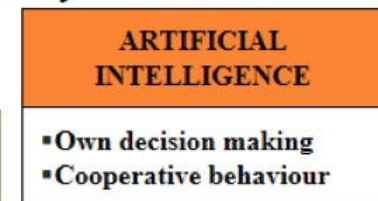
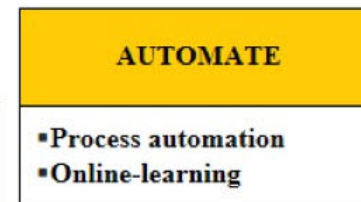
IoT Digital Twin



- A digital or virtual representation of a IoT physical device, object or system.
- IoT digital twin implementation that collects the real-world data about an IoT physical object or system as inputs and produces as outputs simulations or predications of how that IoT physical object or system are affected by those inputs.



Simulation framework
Modelling tools



Intelligent IoT twin will advance the process automation by providing decision making based on real and simulated scenarios, include cooperative behavior that is exchanged in real time with the IoT physical system.

IoT Digital Twin

- Challenges
 - Aggregation of models in a layered architecture
 - IoT digital twin precision to duplicate the IoT physical object, abstraction, computing capabilities
 - IoT digital twin that models and simulates the future state and behavior of the IoT device
 - Simulation and modelling of the communication channels and influence of the environments on the communication parameters of the IoT digital twins
 - Modelling and simulation of the energy consumption for the IoT digital twins
 - Virtual sensing/actuation functions and simulation of IoT digital twins
 - IoT digital twins counterfeiting identification and mitigation
 - Elimination and isolation of fake digital twins

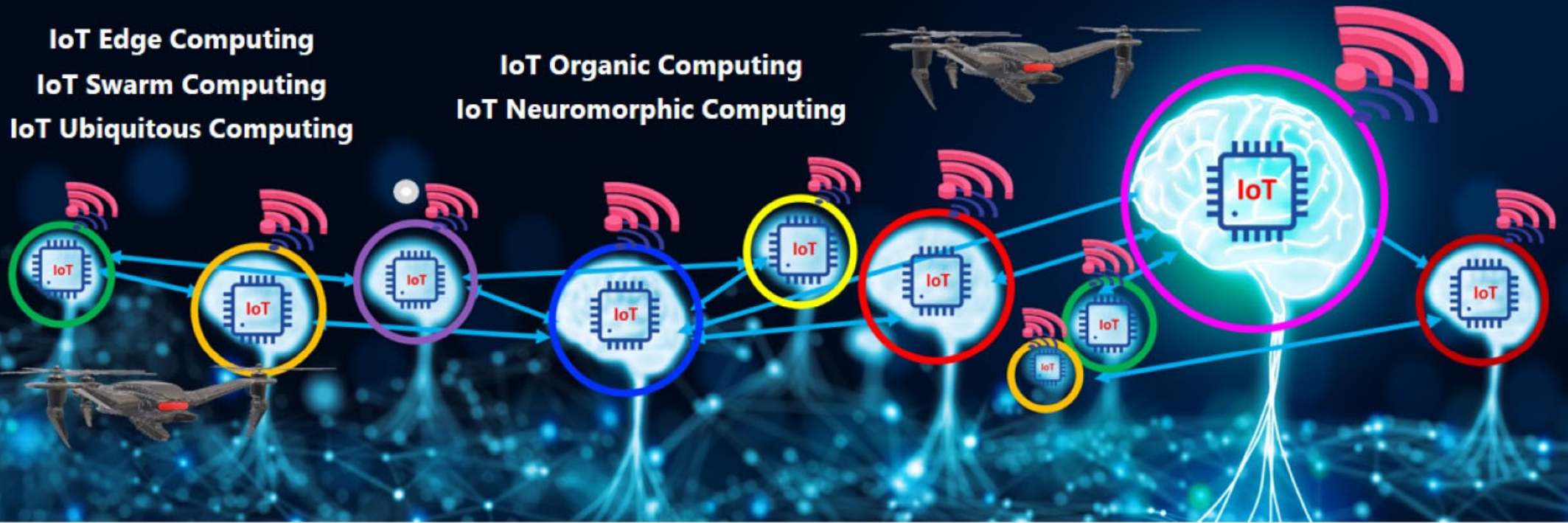


**Functional
Requirements**

Evolutionary IoT Computing - IoT Swarm Intelligence

IoT Edge Computing
IoT Swarm Computing
IoT Ubiquitous Computing

IoT Organic Computing
IoT Neuromorphic Computing



SI as the collective behavior of decentralized, self-organized and autonomous systems. Implementing the collective behaviour of physical and virtual artificial intelligent decentralised and distributed IoT systems based on collective and collaborative intelligence of things into applications such as AV, IoRT, Internet of Intelligent Mobile Things, Intelligent IoT Device Colonies.

IoT Swarm Intelligence

- Challenges

- Aggregation of intrinsic and extrinsic intelligence
- Centralization vs Decentralization
- Collision-free and deadlock-free movement of IoT swarms, real-time algorithms and perception, connectivity.
- Local and global sensing and control
- Intra-IoT swarm relative sensing, relative localization, collaboration, collision avoidance
- IoT swarm supervising and federated learning



**Functional
Requirements**

Internet of Intelligent Things (IoIT)

Internet of Vehicles (IoV)

Internet of Energy (IoE)

Internet of Health (IoH)

Industrial Internet of Things (IIoT)

Internet of Robotic Things (IoRT)

Internet of Autonomous Things (IoAT)

Internet of Food and Farming (IoF)

Green Internet of Things (GIoT)

Internet of Things Senses (IoTS)

Tactile Internet of Things (TIIoT)

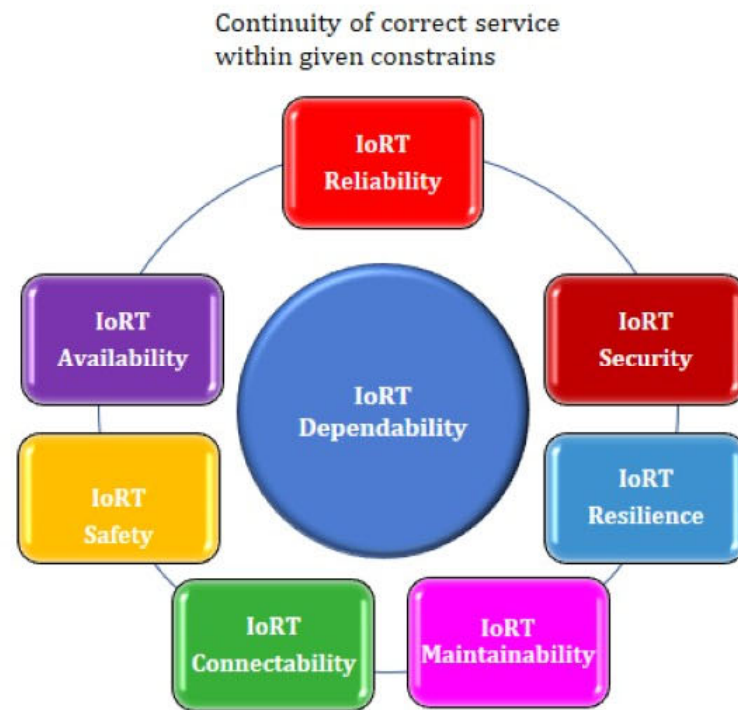
Artificial Intelligence of Things (AIoT)



Source: IERC Cluster Book 2020 Internet of Things – The Call of the Edge Everything Intelligent Everywhere

Dependability Components - Trustworthiness

Autonomous self-organized edge IoT intelligent systems



Reliability

- Ability of the IoRT autonomous system to deliver and accomplish services as specified within given constraints.

Safety

- Ability of the IoRT autonomous system to operate without harmful states and catastrophic failures.

Security

- Ability of the IoRT autonomous system to protect itself and the autonomous system information from unauthorised actions, deliberate and accidental intrusion/attacks.

Resilience

- Ability of the IoRT autonomous system to transform, renew, resist, respond and recover timely from damaging effects and states

Connectability

- Ability of the IoRT autonomous system to connect securely, anytime, anywhere, to any available network.

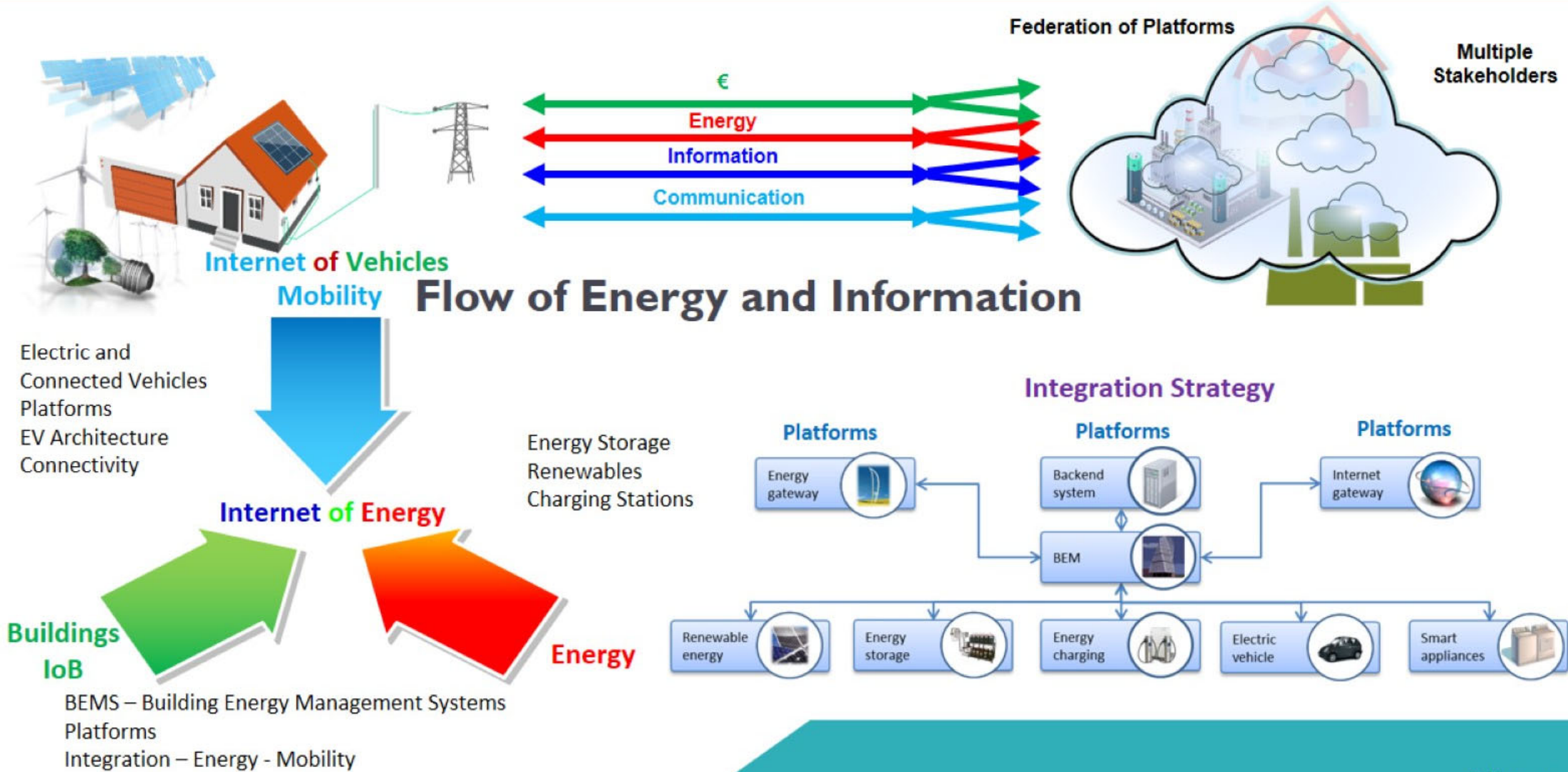
Availability

- Ability of the IoRT autonomous system to deliver services and information when requested.

Maintainability

- Ability of the IoRT autonomous system to avoid modifications and repairs.

Internet of Energy – Swarm Intelligence



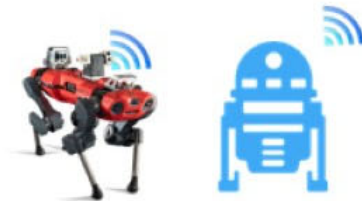
Internet of Robotic Things

LOCATE

- High definition dynamic maps, GPS, GNSS, local correction data to GNSS, RT2X, network positioning.

SENSE

- Data streams from the perception domain radars, LiDARs, cameras, ultrasound sensors.



CONNECT

Connectivity between robotic things to Environment (RT2E) and to Everything (RT2X).



COLLABORATE

- Activities with other robotic things, autonomous vehicles, animals, environment, infrastructure (physical and digital, edge/cloud, etc.).

THINK

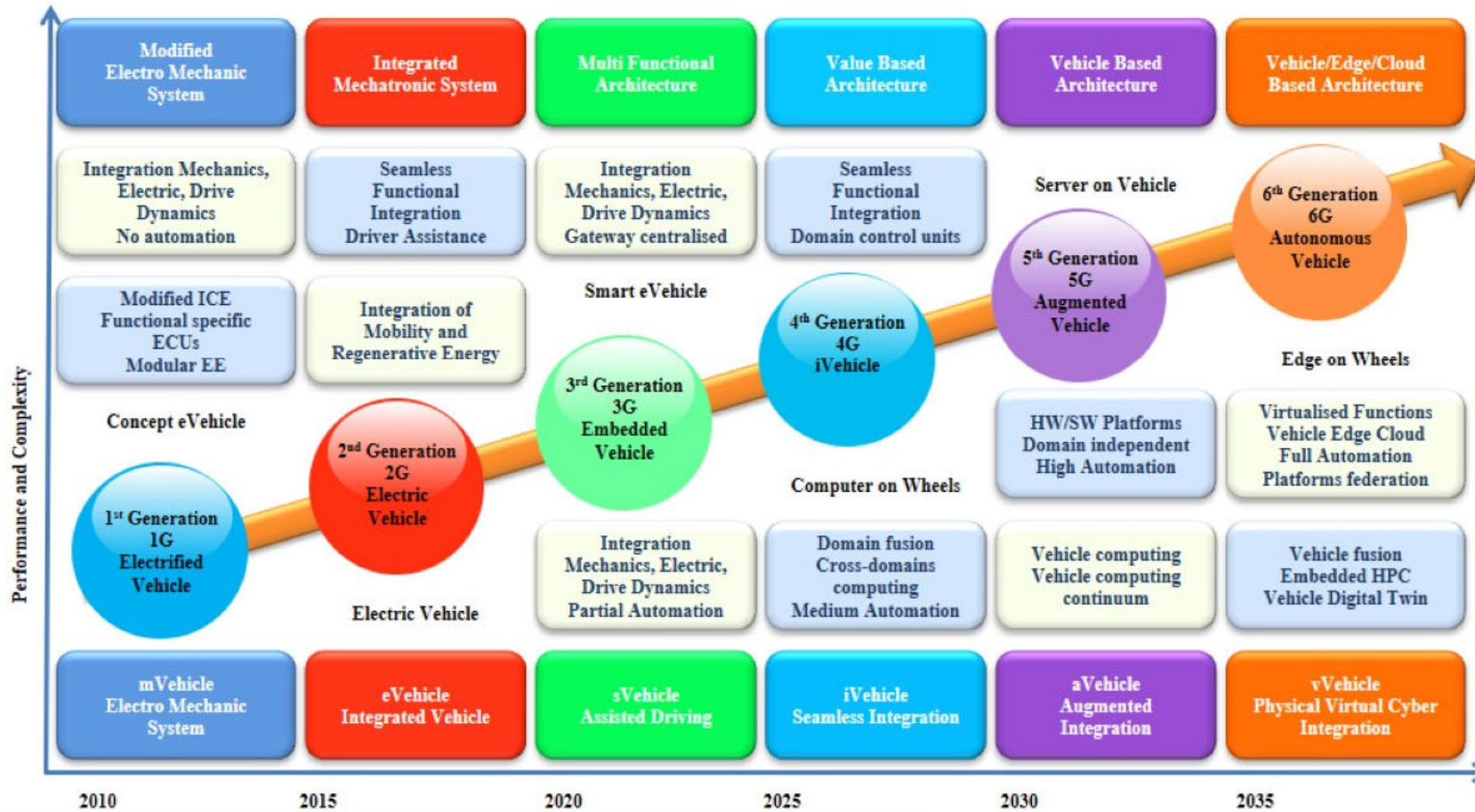
- Computing, cognition, connectivity and control to provide the performance and intelligence for executing autonomous functions, workloads and decisions.

ACT

- Decisions to determine the best, safest course of action, acting on the propulsion domain by changing direction, speed, stopping.

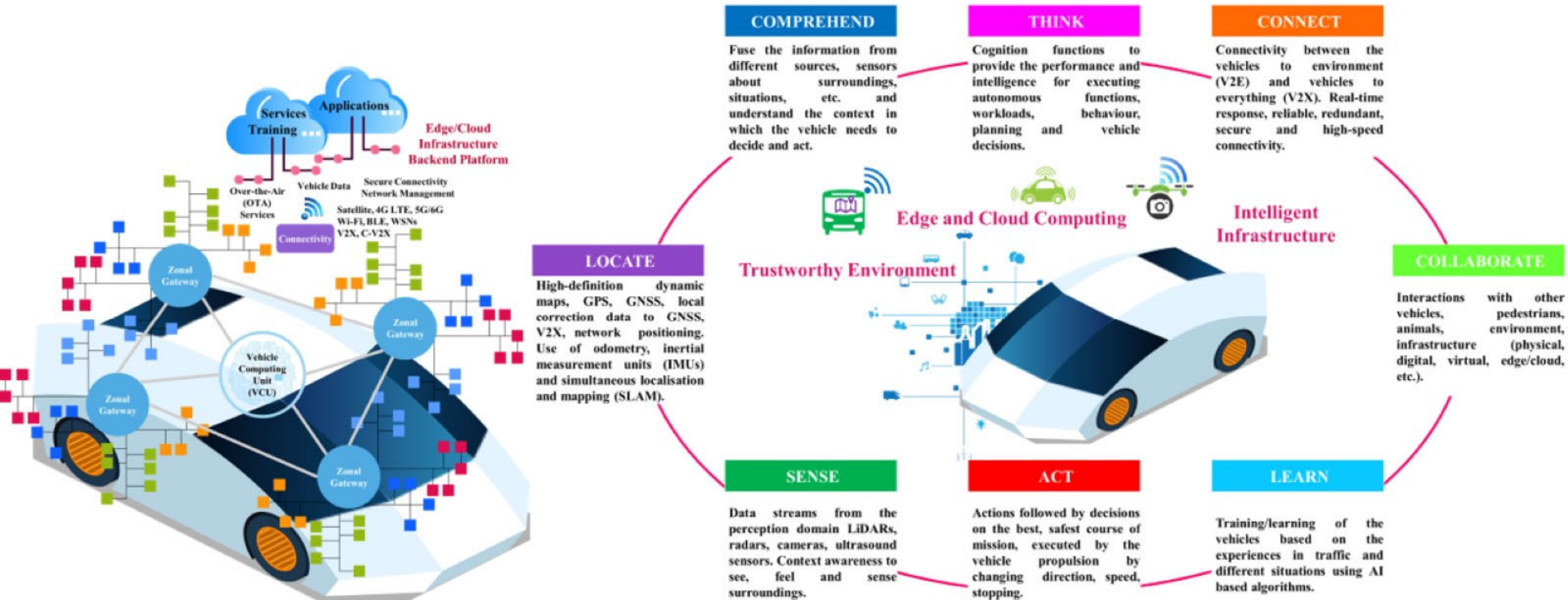


Internet of Vehicles



Electric
Connected
Autonomous
Shared
Vehicles

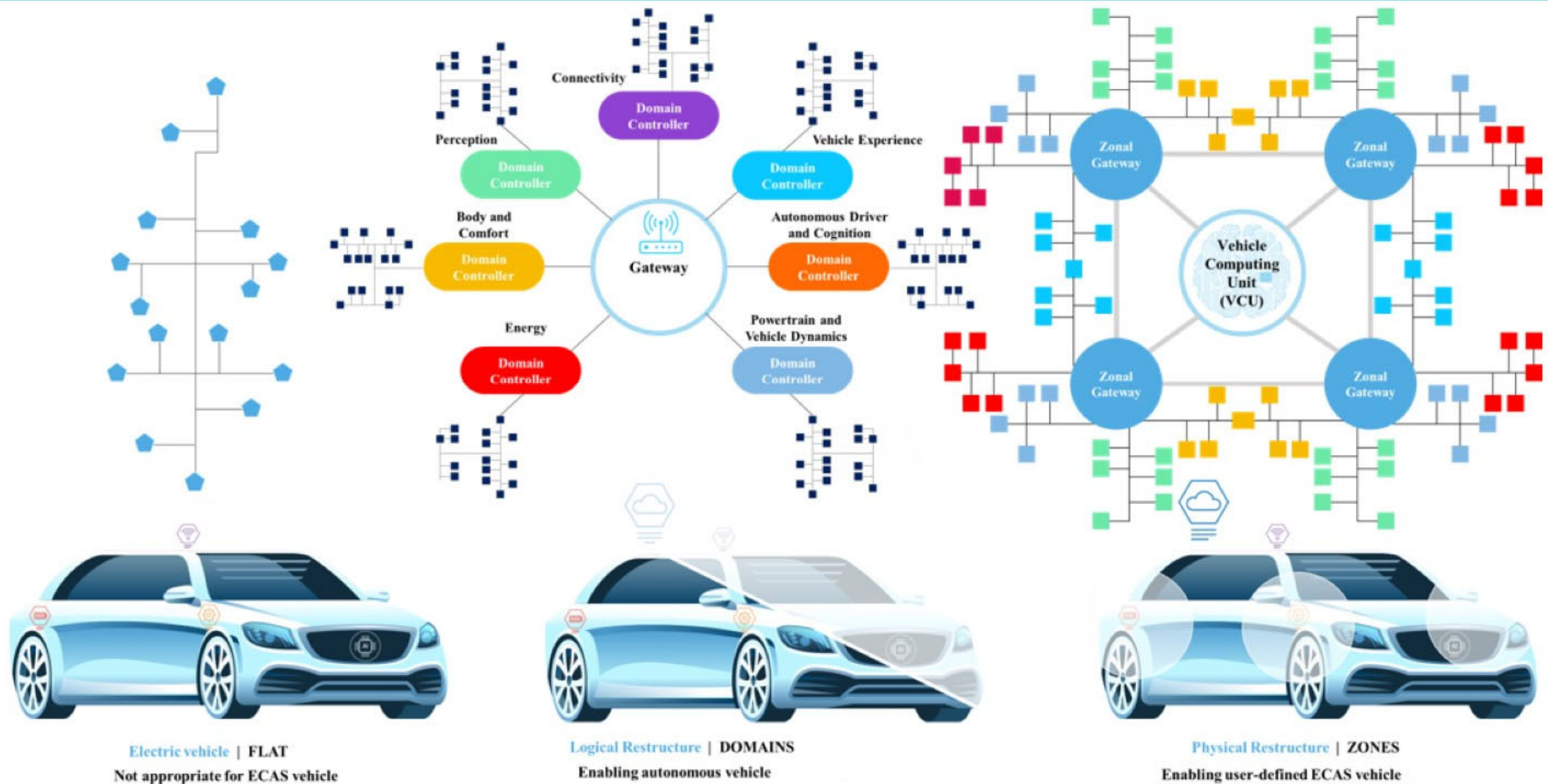
Internet of Vehicles - Intrinsic Intelligence



Internet of Vehicles - Connectivity

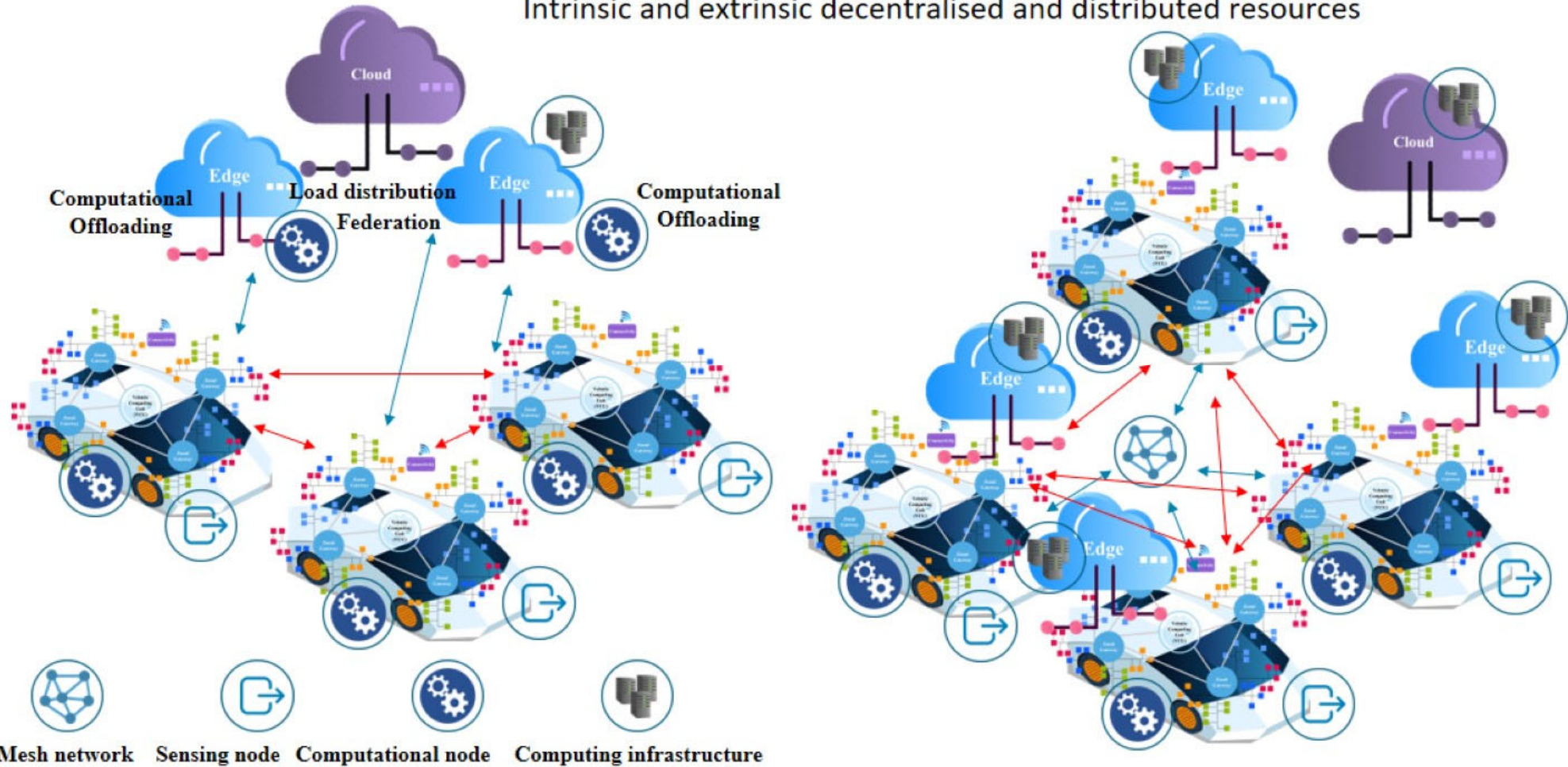


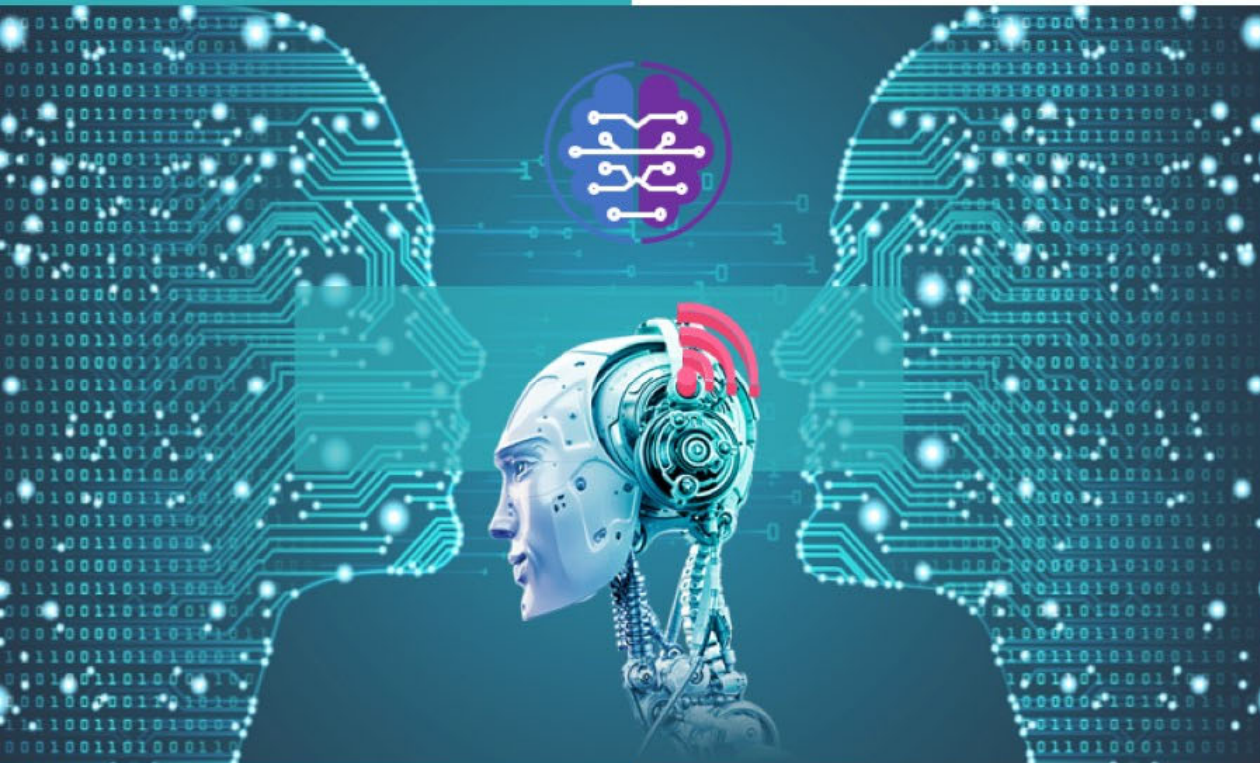
Internet of Vehicles – Architectures Evolution



Internet of Vehicles – Swarm Intelligence

Intrinsic and extrinsic decentralised and distributed resources





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