

Evolution to F5G-Advanced and F6G Networks & Services

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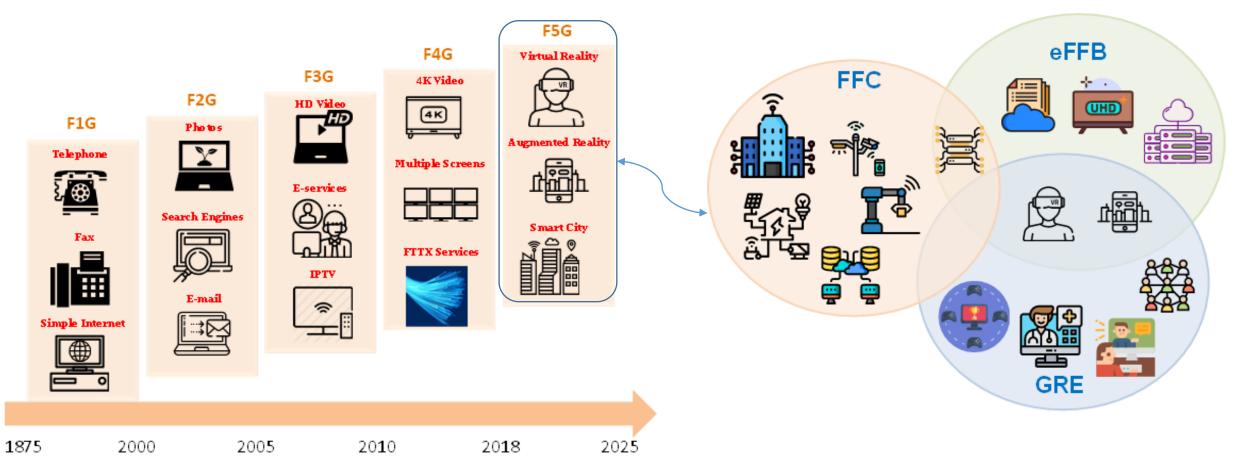
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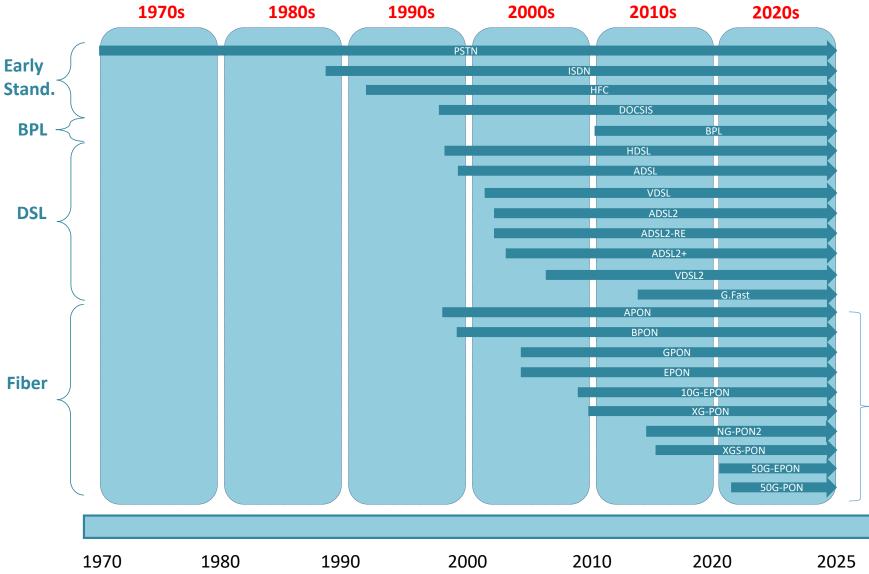
Evolution of Fixed Access Networks: Applications



 The Generations of the Fixed Networks, as has been the case for the Mobile Networks, follow the needs of the end users and the requirements of the services that are offered to them

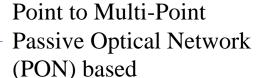
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Evolution of Fixed Access Networks: Technologies



• The fixed network contains many different technologies

- It is unrealistic to expect all these things to synchronize their development
- For example, PON generations happen 2005, 2015, and 2025



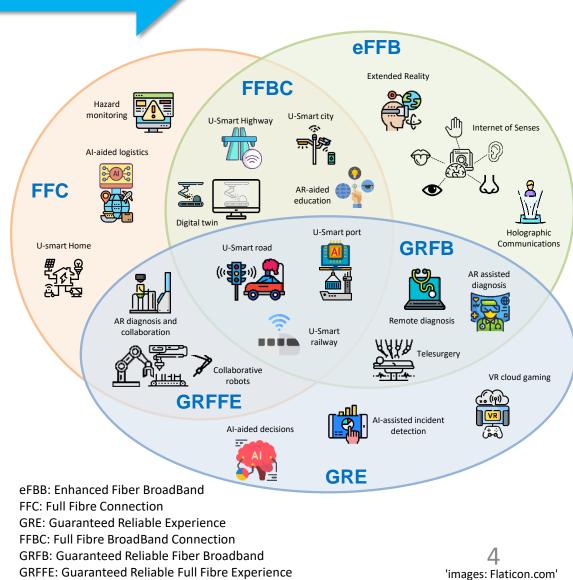
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Drivers for F5G Advanced

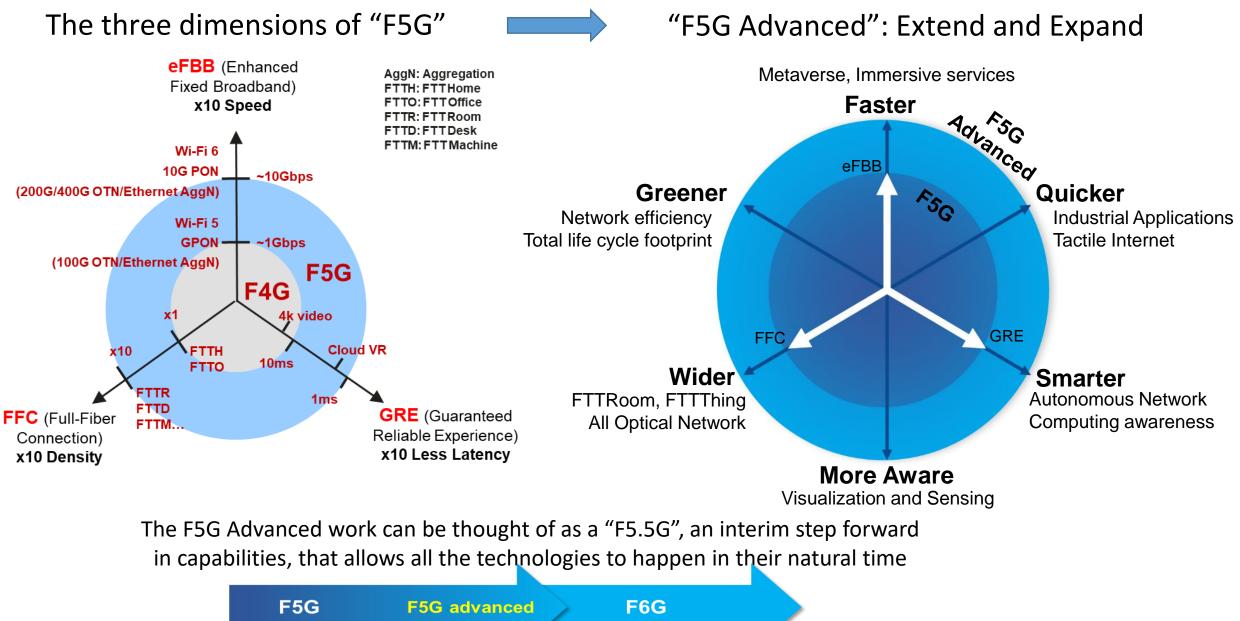


- Digitization or cloudification of applications
 - UHD immersive experience services
 - Enterprise digitization and cloudification
 - Industry going fibre
 - Metaverse as a driver for new infrastructure
- Network infrastructure improvements
 - Digitization of network operations
 - Optical fibre infrastructure becoming ubiquitous
 - Smart infrastructures for a sustainable society
 - The green challenge
 - Business environment change every 9+ years

https://www.etsi.org/newsroom/press-releases/2122-2022-09etsi-publishes-a-white-paper-on-fixed-5th-generation-advanced



Performance dimensions: From "F5G" to "F5G Advanced"



F5G-Advanced

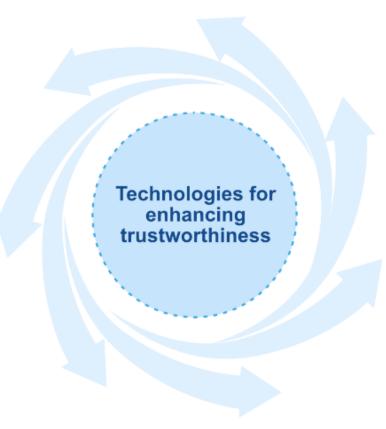
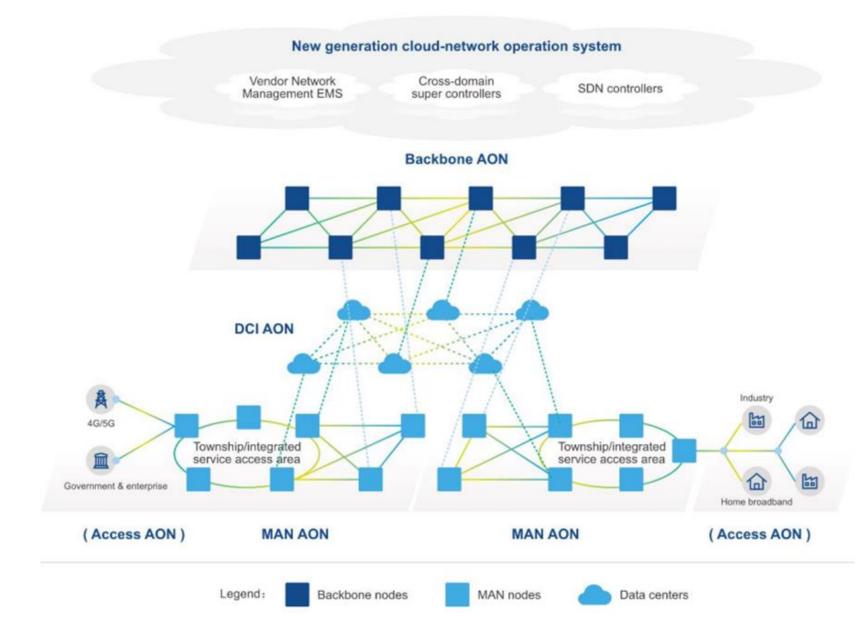
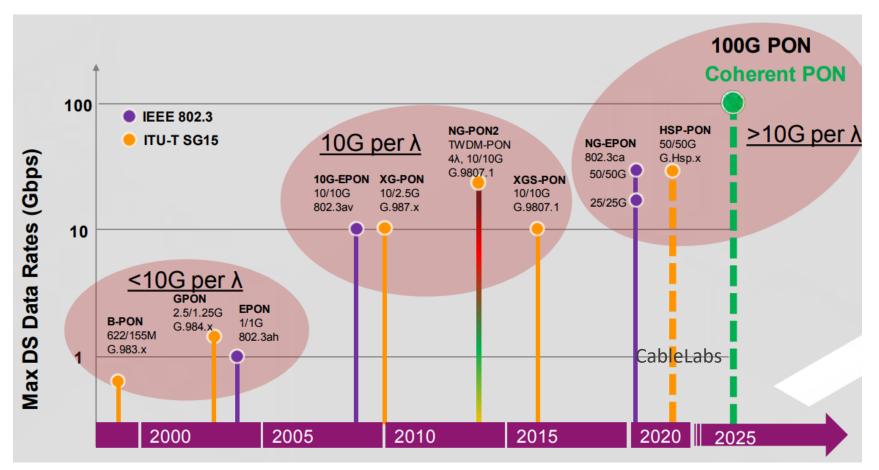


Illustration of F5G-Advanced all-optical network, including access, metro, DCI, and backbone networks



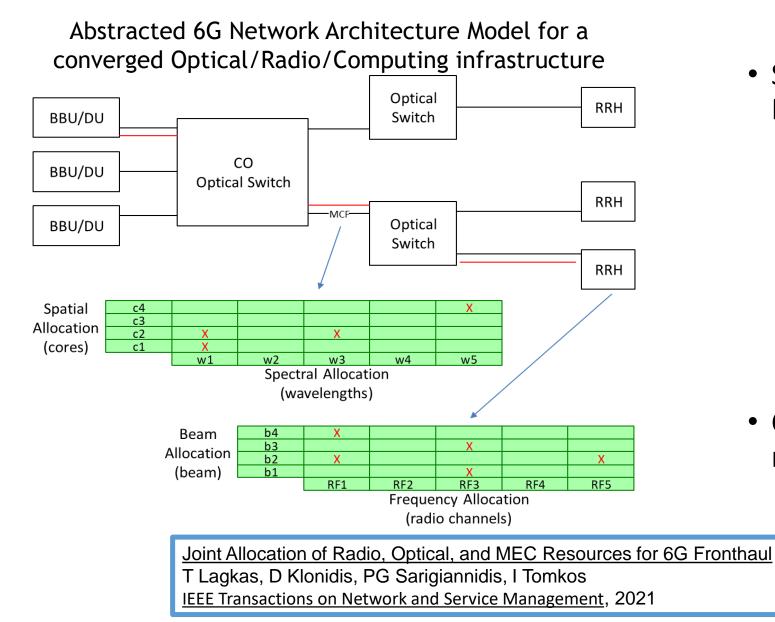
Industry view on the Evolution to 100G TDM-PON: move to Coherent



After 50G PON, the next step for PON evolution is 100G, but 200G might be possible as well (i.e. skipping an intermediate step).

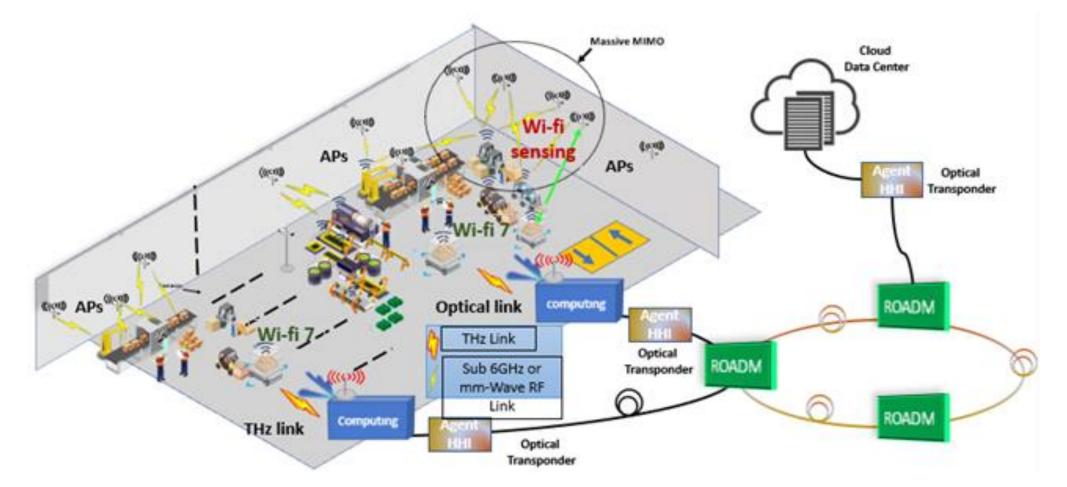
- A n* 50G TWDM PON is in early stages of development at ITU-T and may be completed in 2023, with lab trials and deployments in the 2023/2025 timeframe.
- CableLabs recently announced the development of a symmetric 100G Coherent PON ("C-PON") that offers 8 100Gbps per λ, at a reach of 80 km and up to a 1:512 split ratio.

Converged optical/radio communications & computing infrastructures in 6G networks



- Spatial-Spectral Fronthaul resources
 - ... in radio domain
 - RF band
 - Beam
 - Radio Channel
 - ... in Optical domain
 - Cores/Fibres
 - Wavelengths
- Computing resources required at edge

Envisioned F6G technologies and applications: Example of AI-supported Fiberbased Networks augmented by Terahertz/Optical Wireless Access & Sensing



- Advanced ultra-fast optical switching and high-capacity optical transmission links will serve fixed and mobile users in various short-reach scenarios within I4.0 use-case scenarios requiring ultra-high bandwidth and ultra-low latency.
- The capabilities of the fixed fiber-optic networks will be augmented by "next-gen Wi-Fi" wireless technologies relying on terahertz and optical frequencies to support communications, sensing and computation.

Way forward

- Now that the first white paper on F5G Advanced is complete, work can begin on realizing all of its components
 - Use cases
 - Architectures
 - Technology studies
 - Gap identification
 - Liaison with all relevant SDOs
- All interested parties are welcome to join in this work!



Thank you.

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