

# NFV Orchestration in Edge and Fog Scenarios

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- BS location
- MEC PoP location

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- Tactile RTT of  
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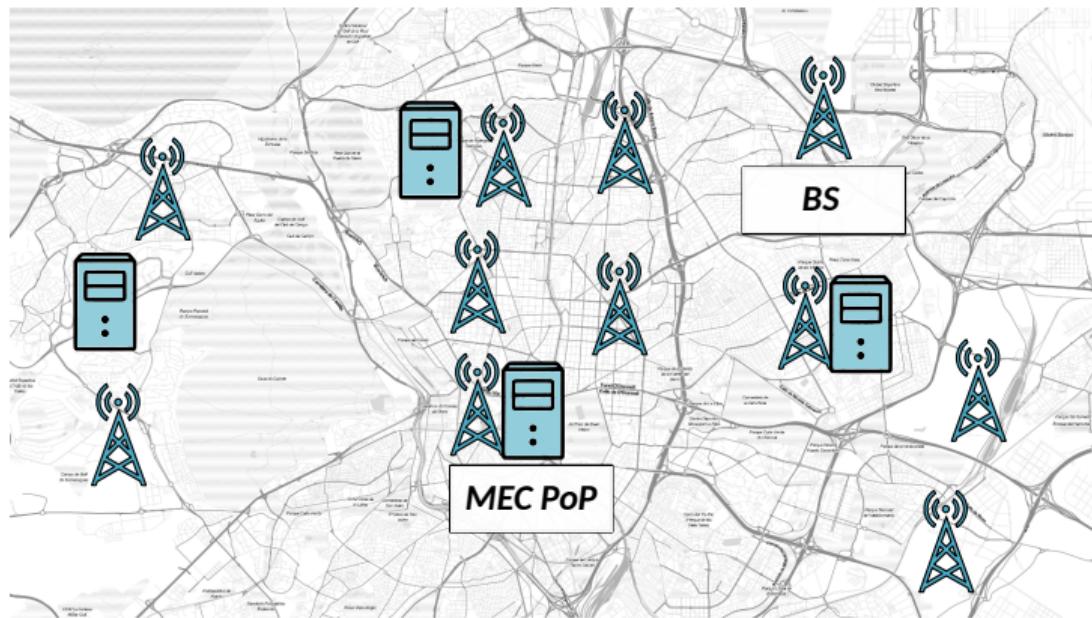


Figure 2: BS and MEC PoP locations

Higher gentrification  $\implies$  more BSs

- $f_i(x)$  – revolution func.
- $G(x)$  – gentrification
- $R$  – region of interest
- $C_i$  – area

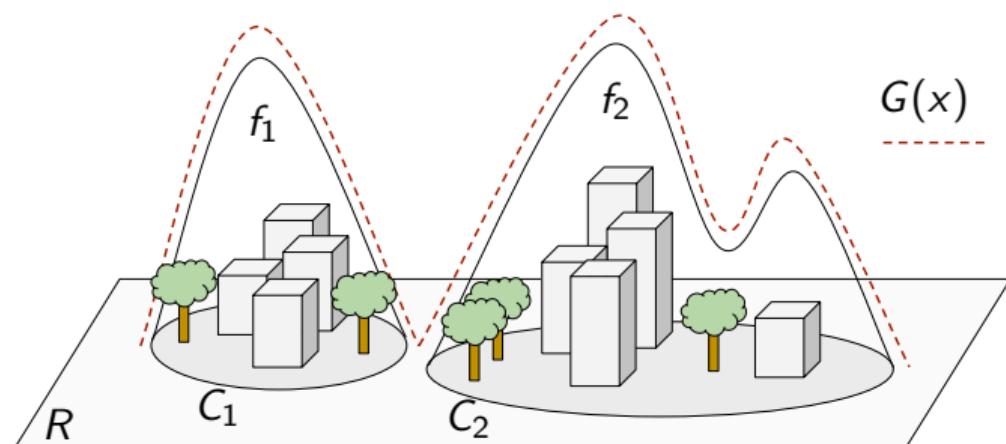


Figure 3: Revolution functions of a region with two building areas.

BS intensity function  $\lambda(x) \sim G(x)$  proportional to gentrification.

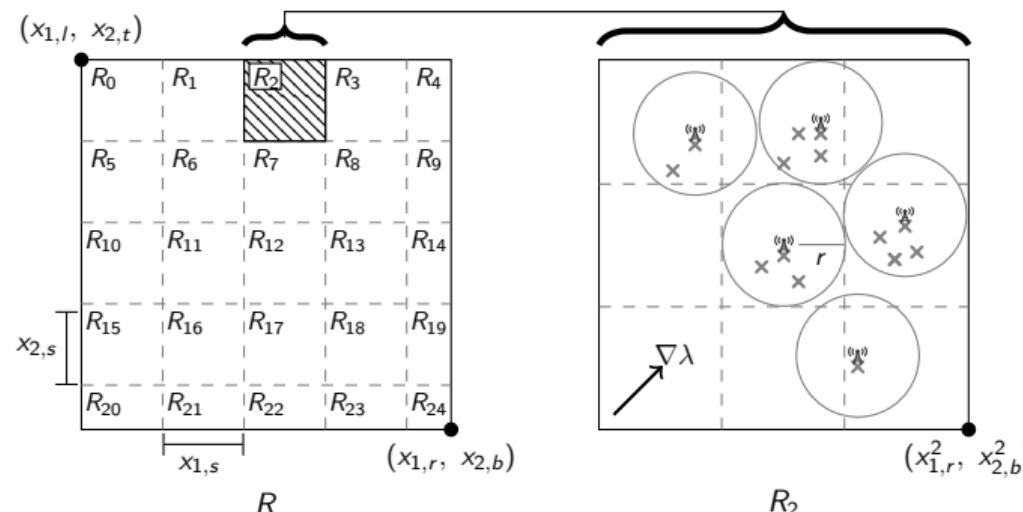


Figure 4: Gridded region (left), and inhomogeneous Matérn II process of BSs (right).

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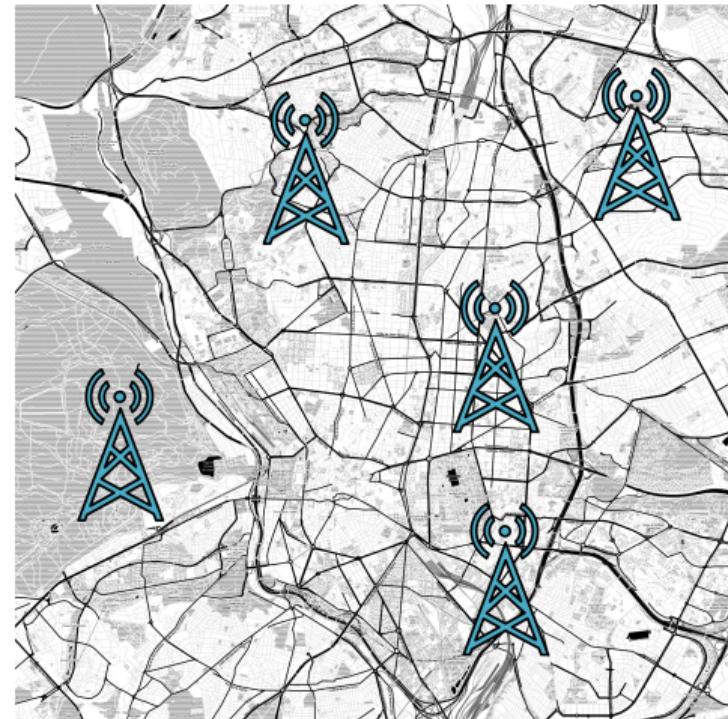


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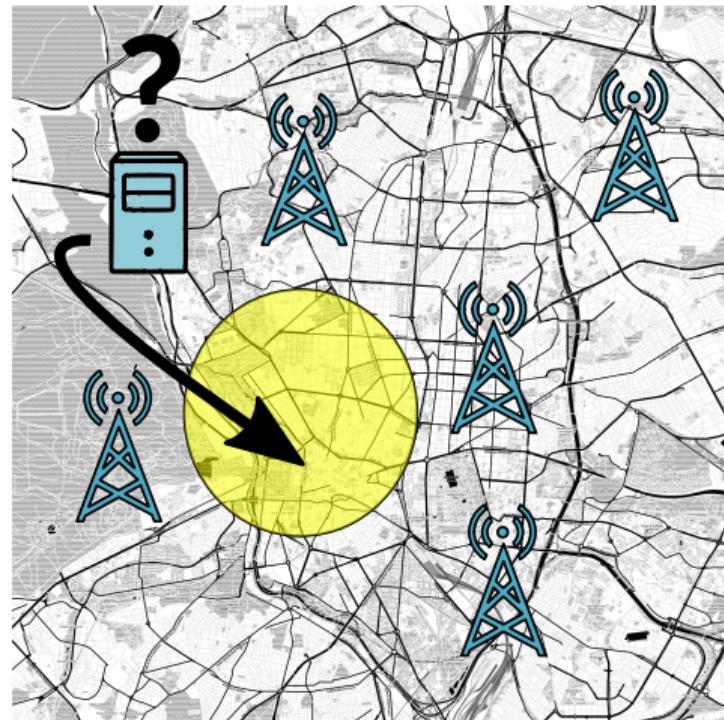


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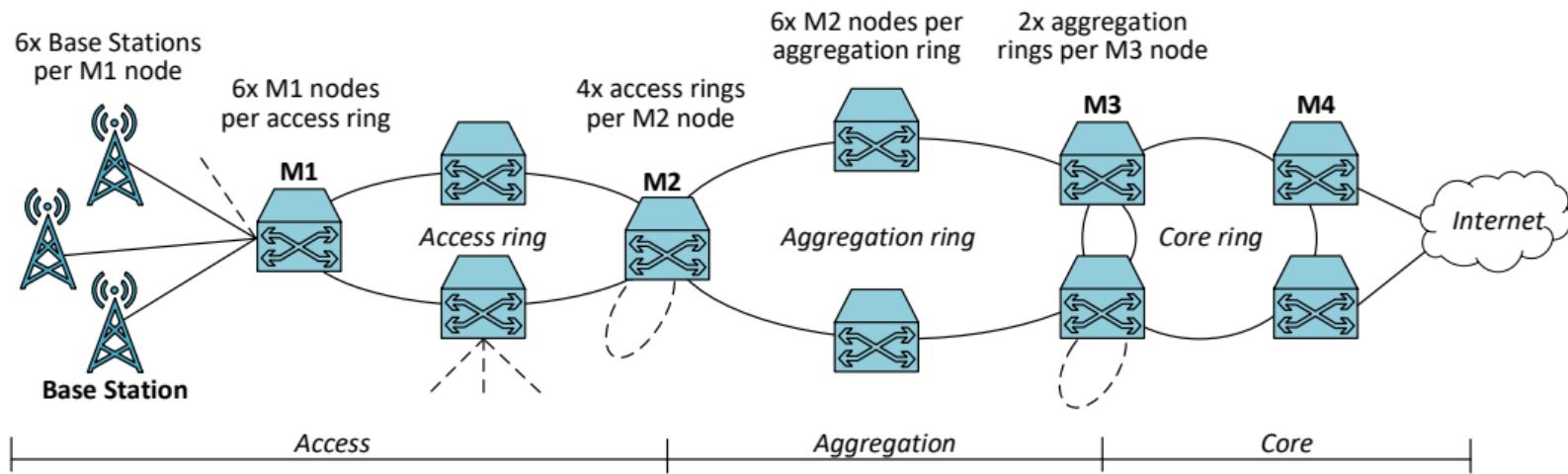


Figure 6: Reference network infrastructure as illustrated<sup>1</sup> in [4] and based on [7].

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Derive MEC PoP location considering:

$$RTT = 2d \cdot 5 \frac{\mu s}{km} + 2M \cdot 50\mu s + UL + DL \quad (1)$$

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$m_M$ : maximum distance between MEC PoP at ring  $M$  and BS

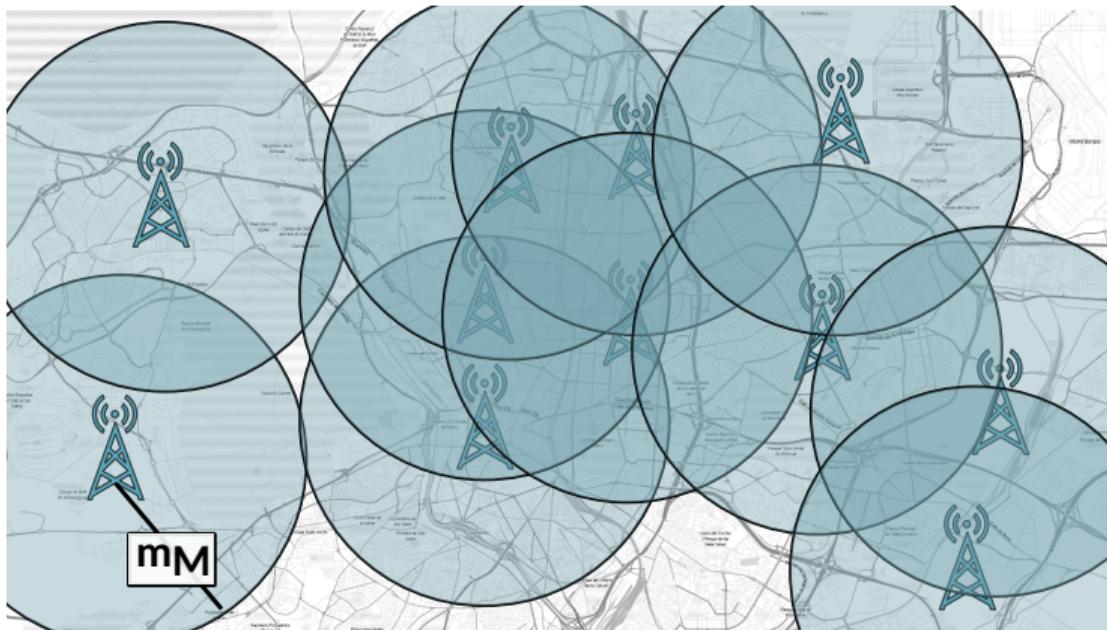


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$m_2$ : maximum distance between MEC PoP at ring 2 and BS

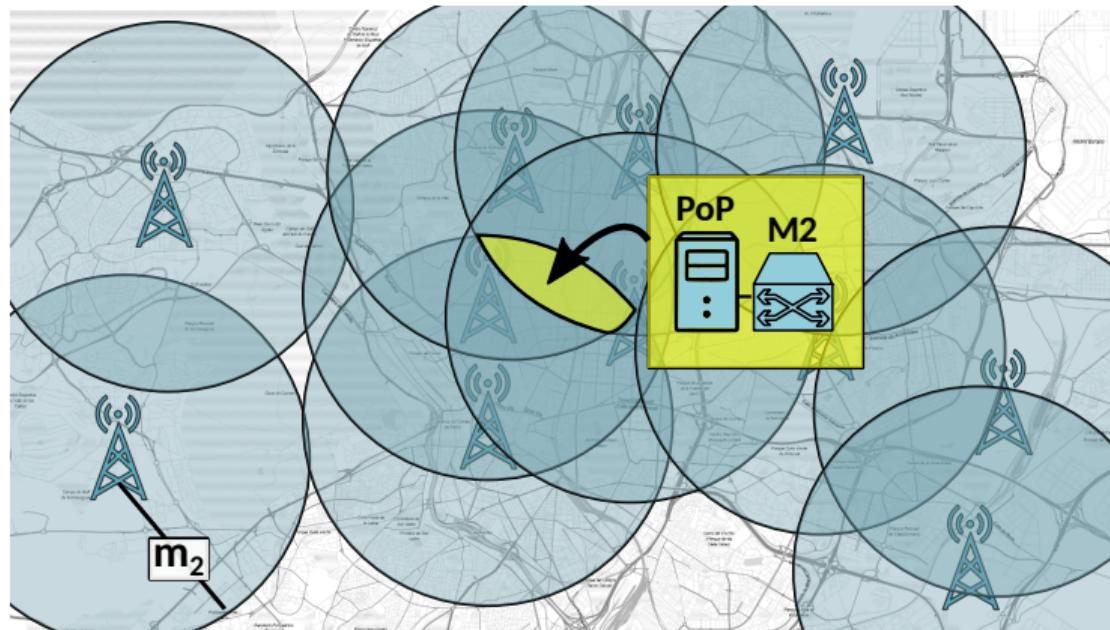


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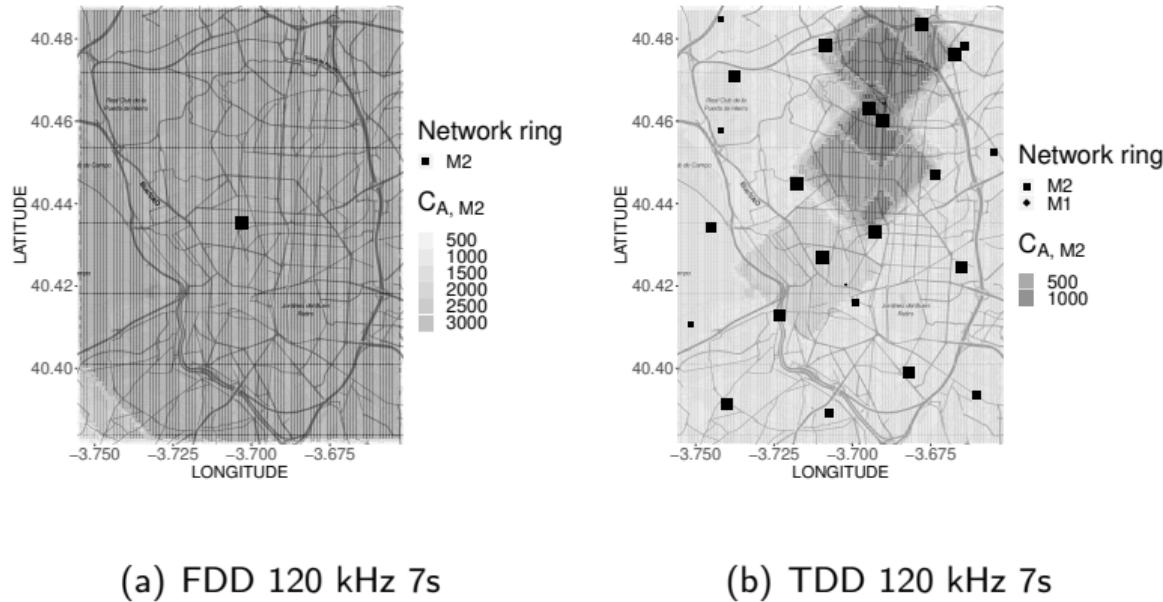
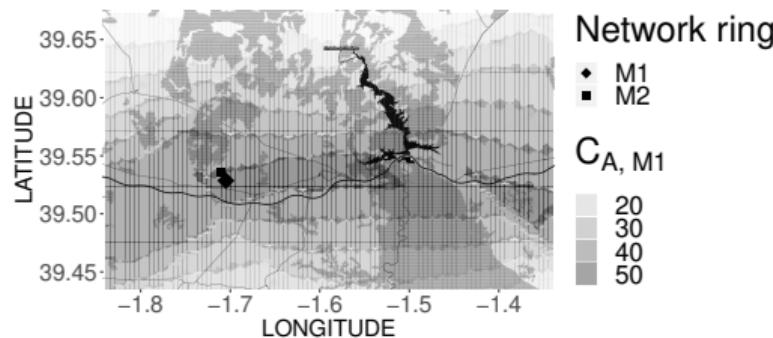


Figure 8: **Urban scenario** (Madrid city center) –  $C_{A,M2}$  =covered BSs

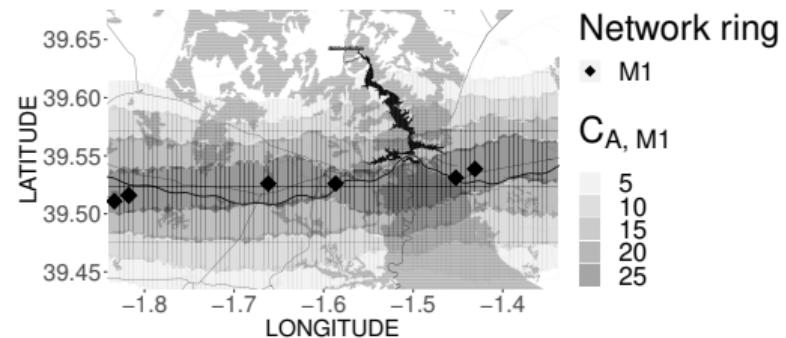
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(a) FDD 120 kHz 7s



(b) TDD 120 kHz 7s

Figure 9: **Highway scenario** (Hoces del Cabriel A3) –  $C_{A,M1}$  =covered BSs by M1 MEC PoP

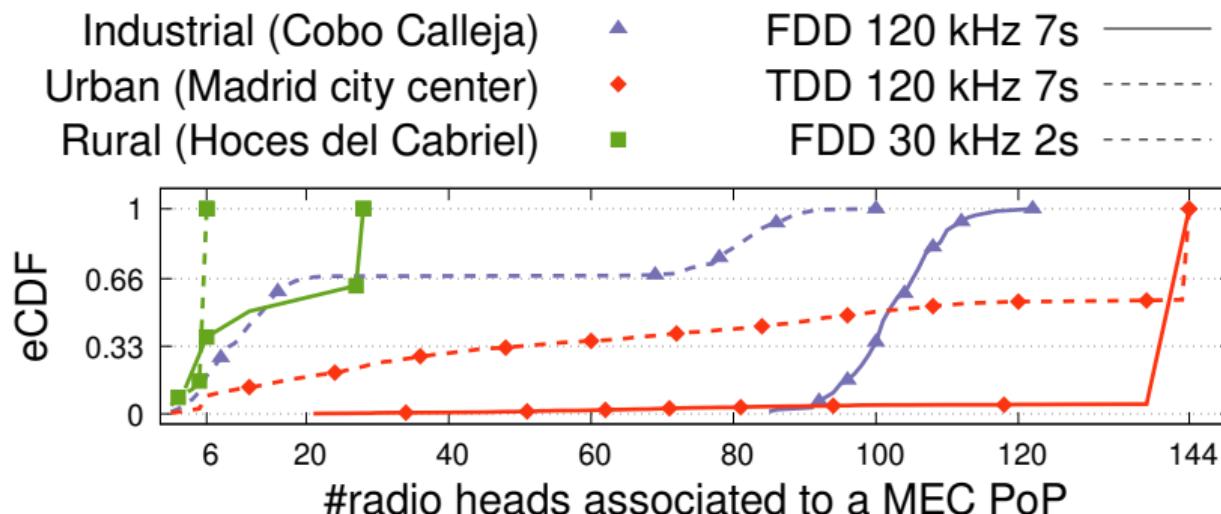


Figure 10: eCDF of the number of BSs assigned to a MEC PoP in the studied scenarios.

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### Open-source:

- [github.com/MartinPJorge/mec-generator](https://github.com/MartinPJorge/mec-generator)
- 5GEN R package

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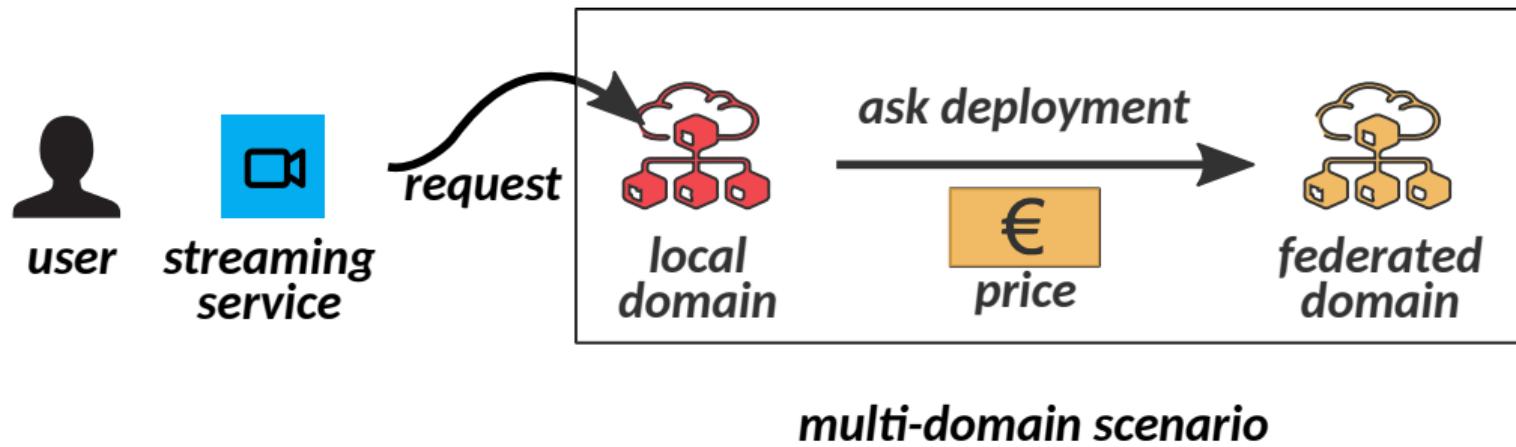


Figure 11: Service federation

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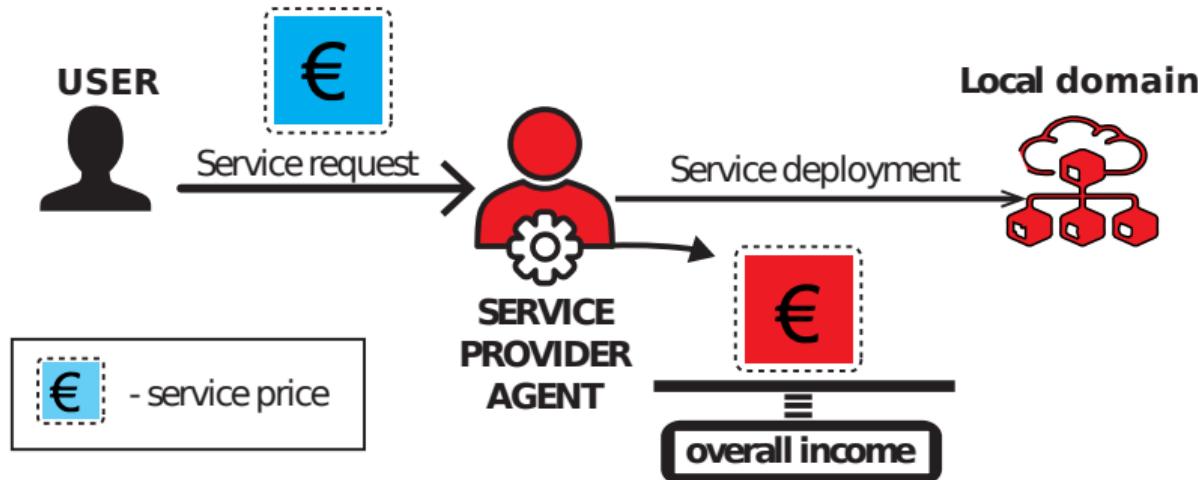


Figure 12: Business model - local deployment<sup>2</sup>

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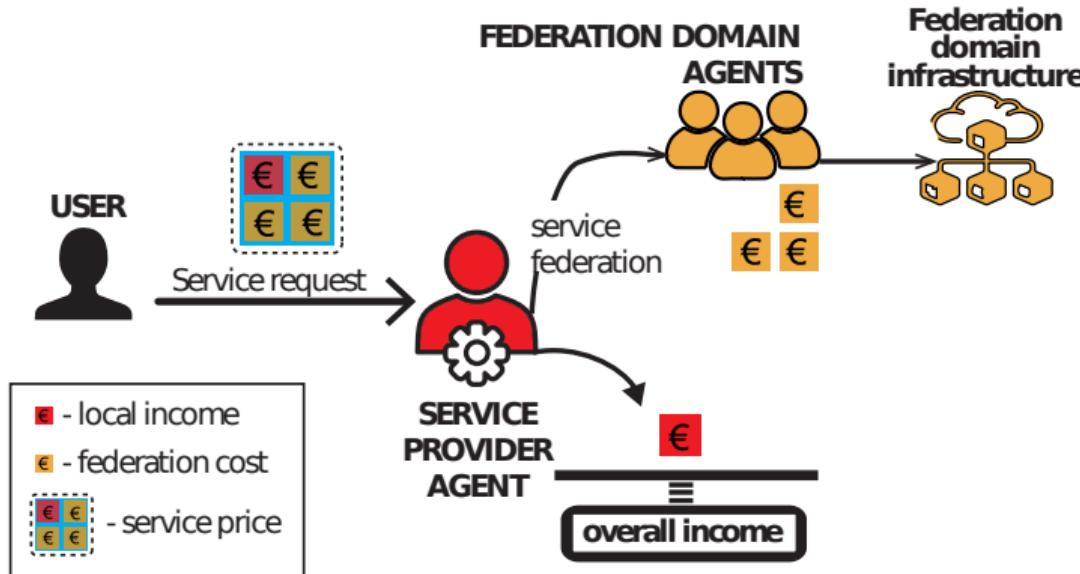


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- 2 CPUs
- memory 2 GB
- storage 100 GB

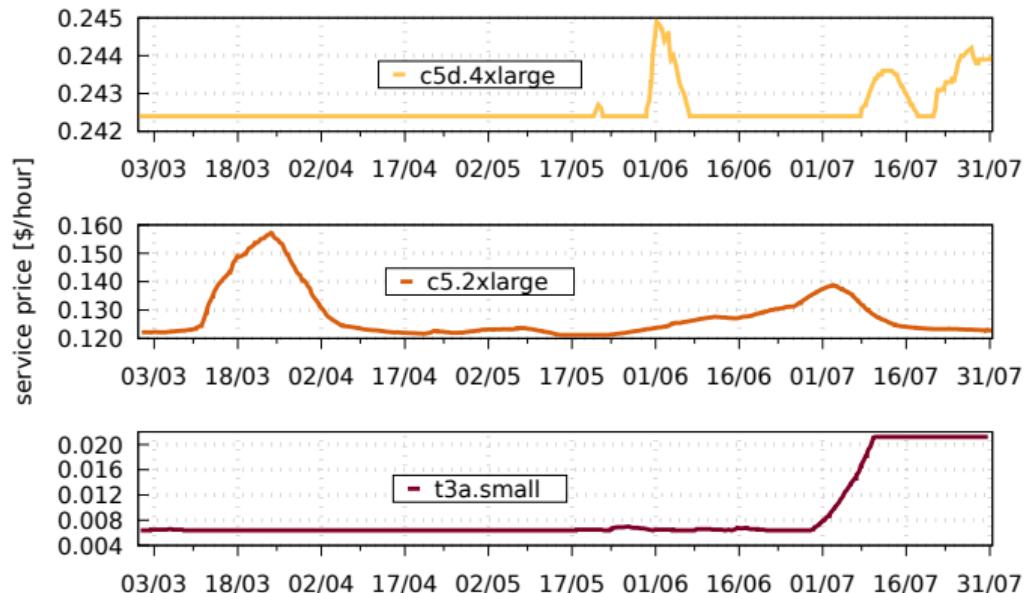


Figure 14: AWS service prices during 2020 in west Europe

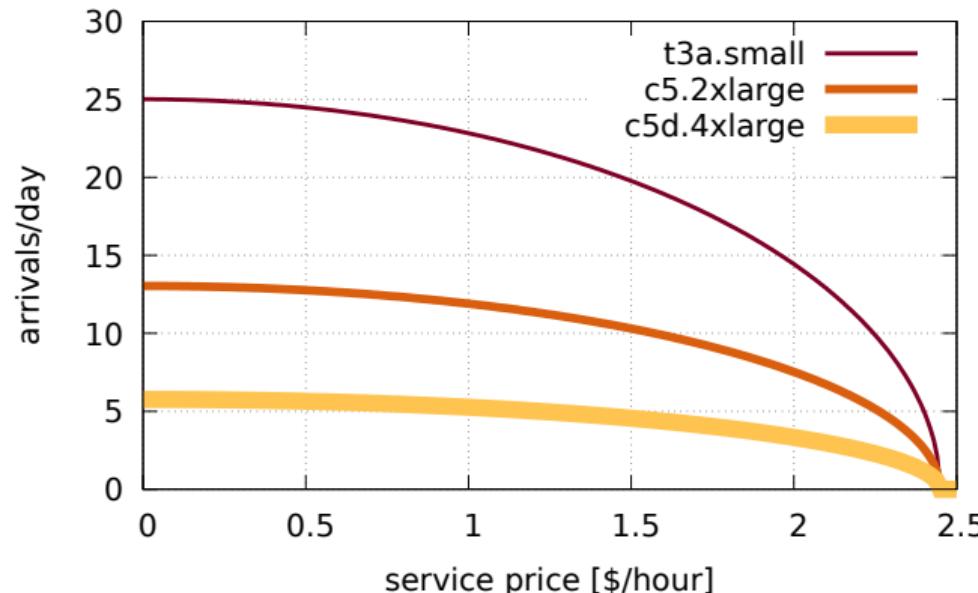


Figure 15: impact of prices on arriving users – based on tid study [14] and [\[xavierpricing\]](#)

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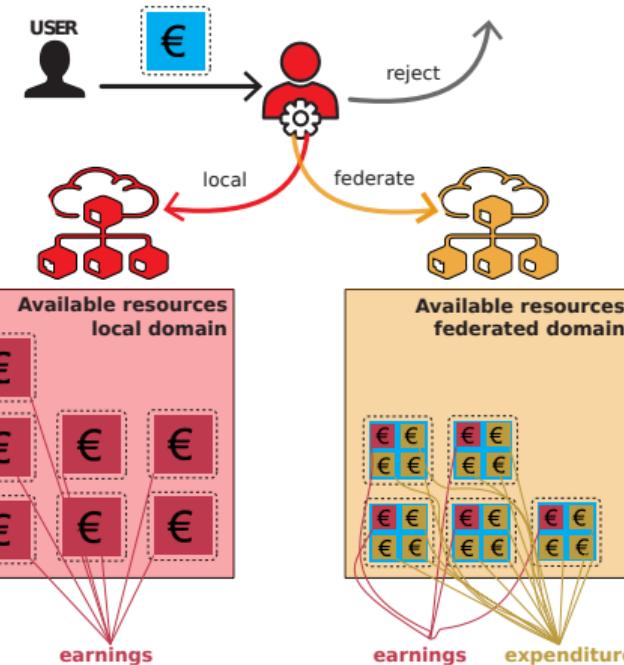
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For each service  $\sigma$ , decide / take an **action**:

- $x(\sigma) = 0$ : **reject**
- $x(\sigma) = 1$ : **local**
- $x(\sigma) = 2$ : **federate**



Reward based on:

- expenditure (federation fee)
- earnings
- deployed services

Figure 16: Environment snapshot at time  $t$ .

### Online optimization problem:

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**Markov Decision Problem (MDP):**

- find policy  $\pi$  to:  
$$\max_{\pi} \mathbb{E}_{x(\sigma) \sim \pi} \left[ \sum_t \gamma^t r^{(t)}(\pi) \right]$$
- action space  $\mathcal{A} = \{0, 1, 2\}$
- state space  $\mathcal{S}$ :
  - available & requested resources
  - current prices
  - service lifetime
- instant reward  $r^{(t)}(\pi)$

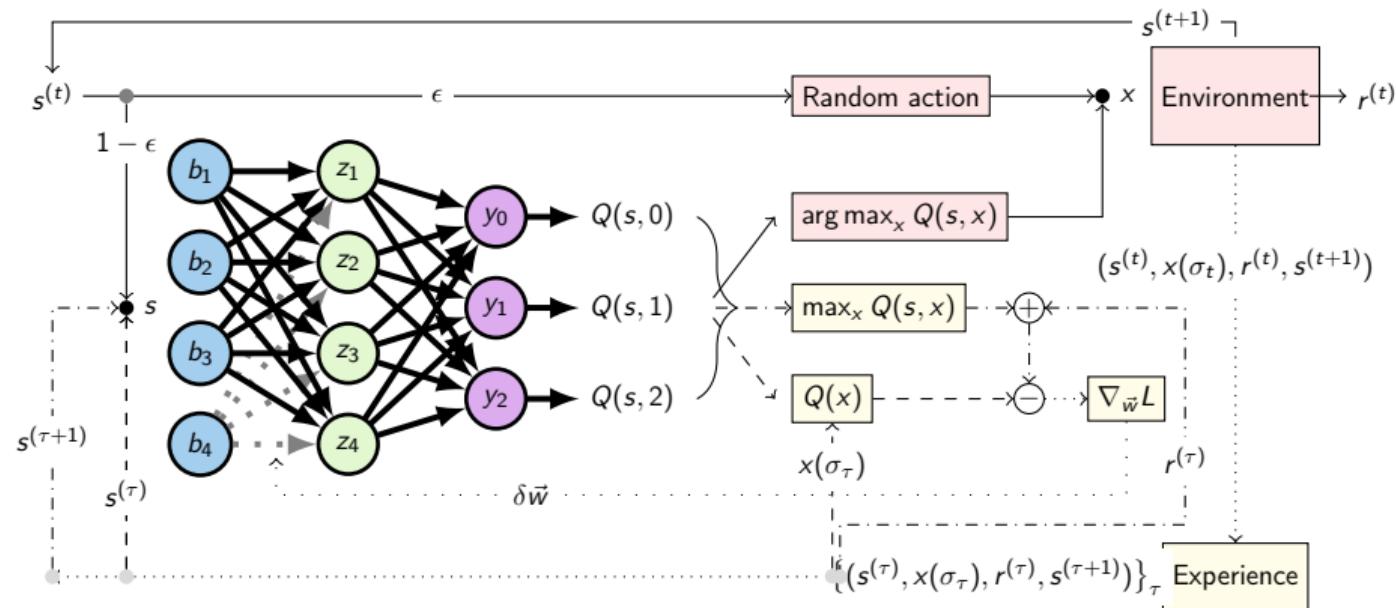


Figure 17: DQN architecture to decide rejection/local/federate

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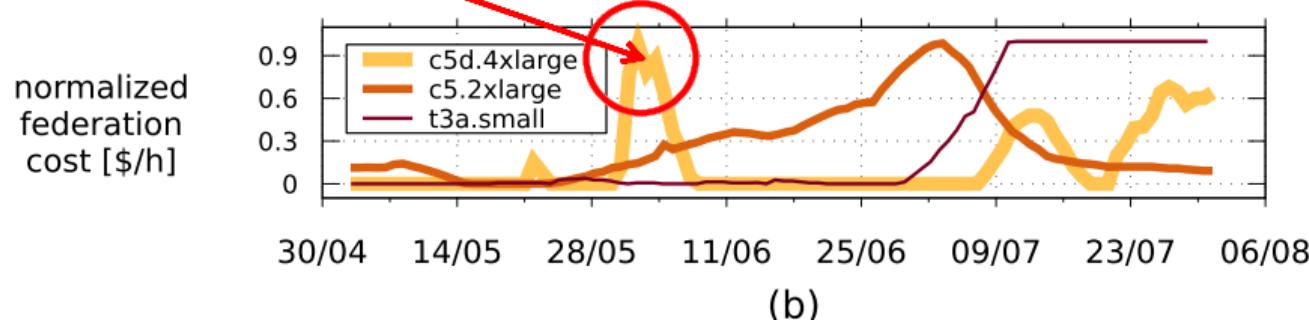
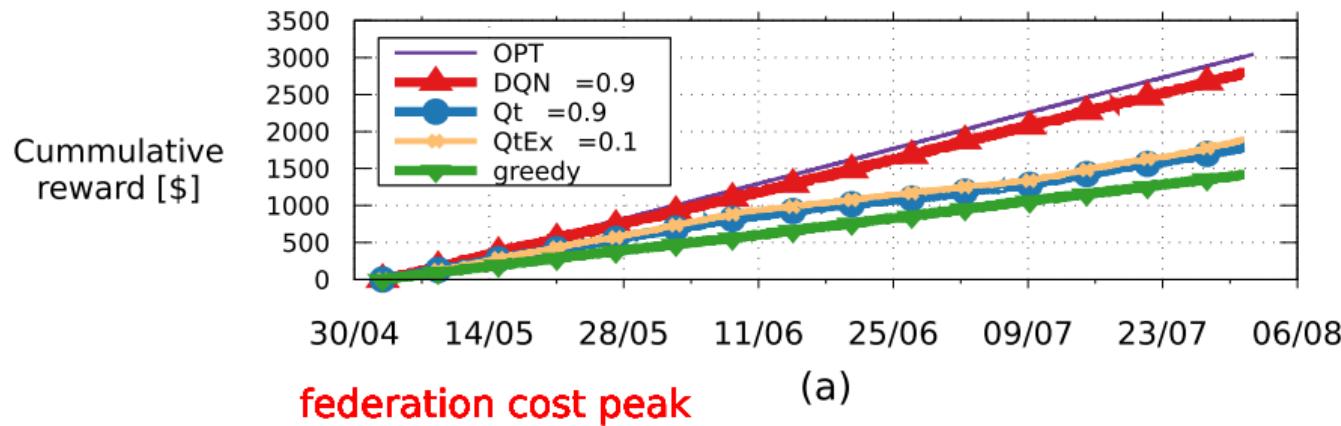
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TODO - here just show 3x CDFs (resource usage with DQN)



Thanks for your attention!

OKpi is open-source, and it is implemented in python's placement module as FPTASMapper:

<https://github.com/MartinPJorge/placement>

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### Lemma

Given an inhomogeneous marked PPP  $X$  with intensity function  $\lambda$ , the thinning function  $I_2$ , and marks  $m \sim \frac{1}{\lambda(x)}$ , the resulting thinned point process, called inhomogeneous Matérn II PP, has the following average number of points at  $C$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[N(C)] := \int_C e^{-\int_{B(x,r)} \mathbb{1}(\lambda(u) > \lambda(x)) \lambda(u) du} \lambda(x) dx \quad (2)$$

where  $r$  is the thinning radius of  $I_2$ .

with

$$I_2(x, m, X, M_X) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } m = \min_{m' \in M_X} \{(x', m') : x' \in B(x, r)\} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (3)$$

The RTT considered is computed as

$$RTT := 2l(\|x - m\|_1) + 2p(M) + UL + DL \quad (4)$$

We find  $m_M$ , the maximum distance from MEC PoP  $m$  to the BS at position  $x$ , as:

$$\|x - m\|_1 \leq l^{-1} \left( \frac{RTT - 2p(M) - t_r}{2} \right) = m_M \quad (5)$$

with  $\|\cdot\|_1$  denoting the Manhattan distance.