



# Exploring serverless service deployment in 5G for next generation media applications

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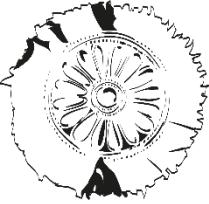
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# 5G MEDIA H2020 Project



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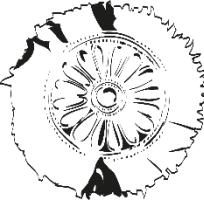
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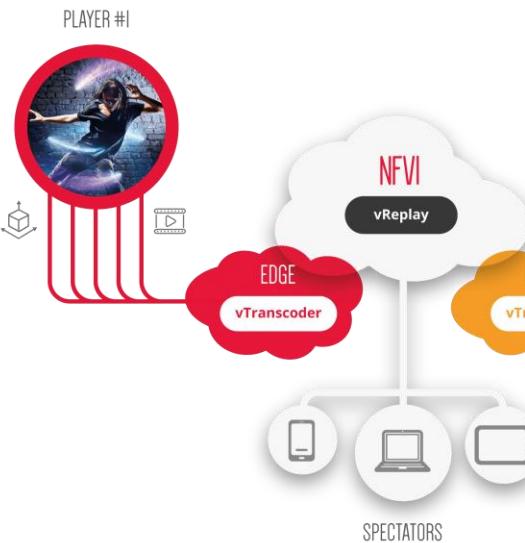


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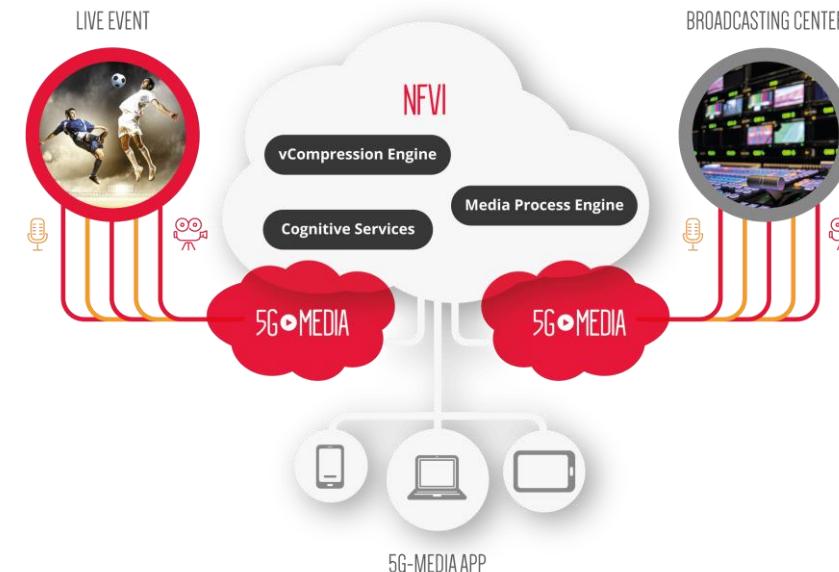


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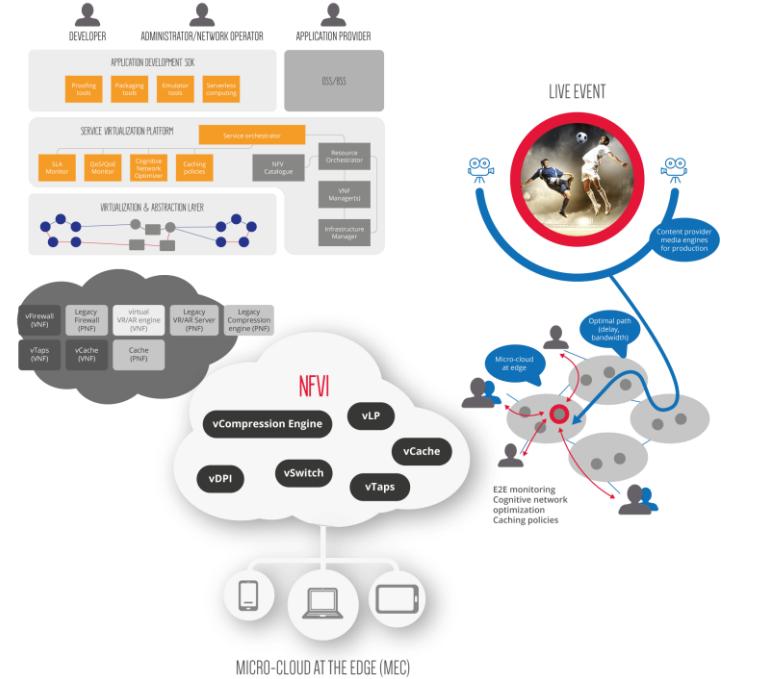
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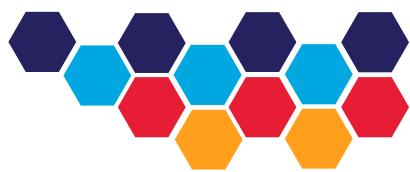
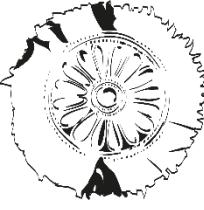


## REMOTE AND SMART MEDIA PRODUCTION INCORPORATING USER GENERATED CONTENT



## DYNAMIC AND FLEXIBLE UHD CONTENT DISTRIBUTION OVER 5G CDNS





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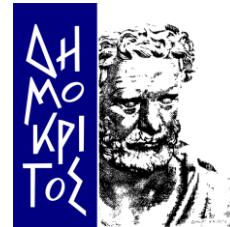
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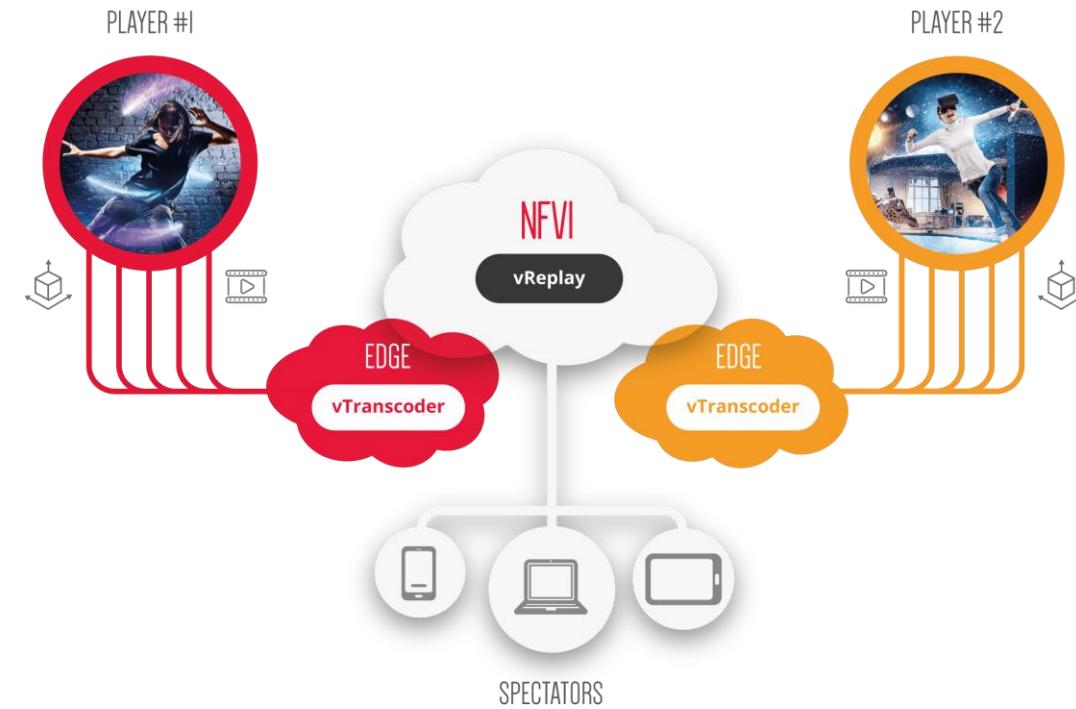
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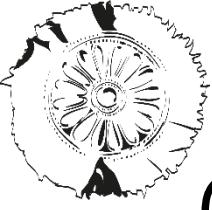
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## IMMERSIVE APPLICATIONS AND VIRTUAL REALITY





# Overview

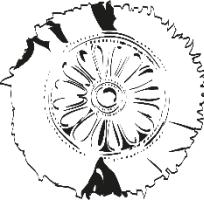
- ▶ New medium
- ▶ 5G
- ▶ Serverless
- ▶ Why Serverless?
- ▶ 5G-Media



# Holograms

- Immersive Communications
- Approaching Physical Co-presence
- 3D Multimedia

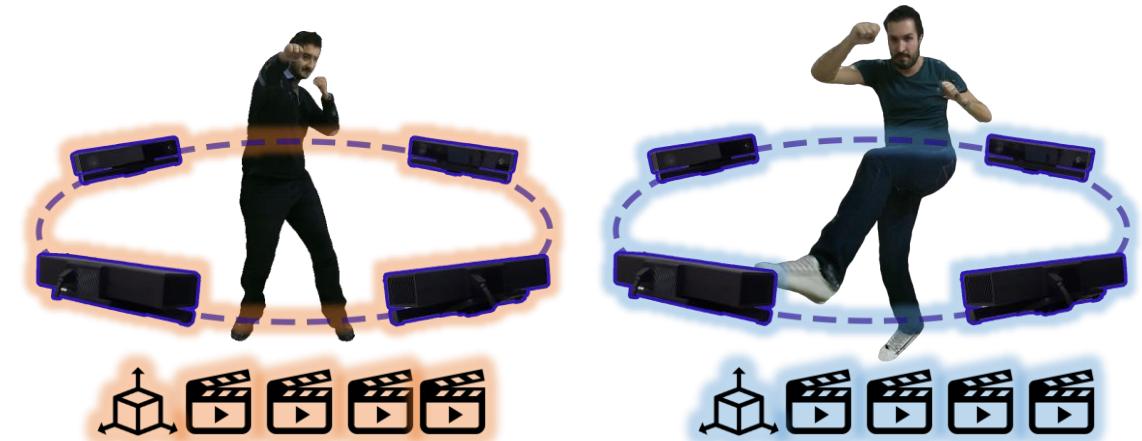


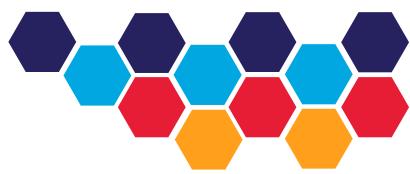


# Next Generation Immersive Media

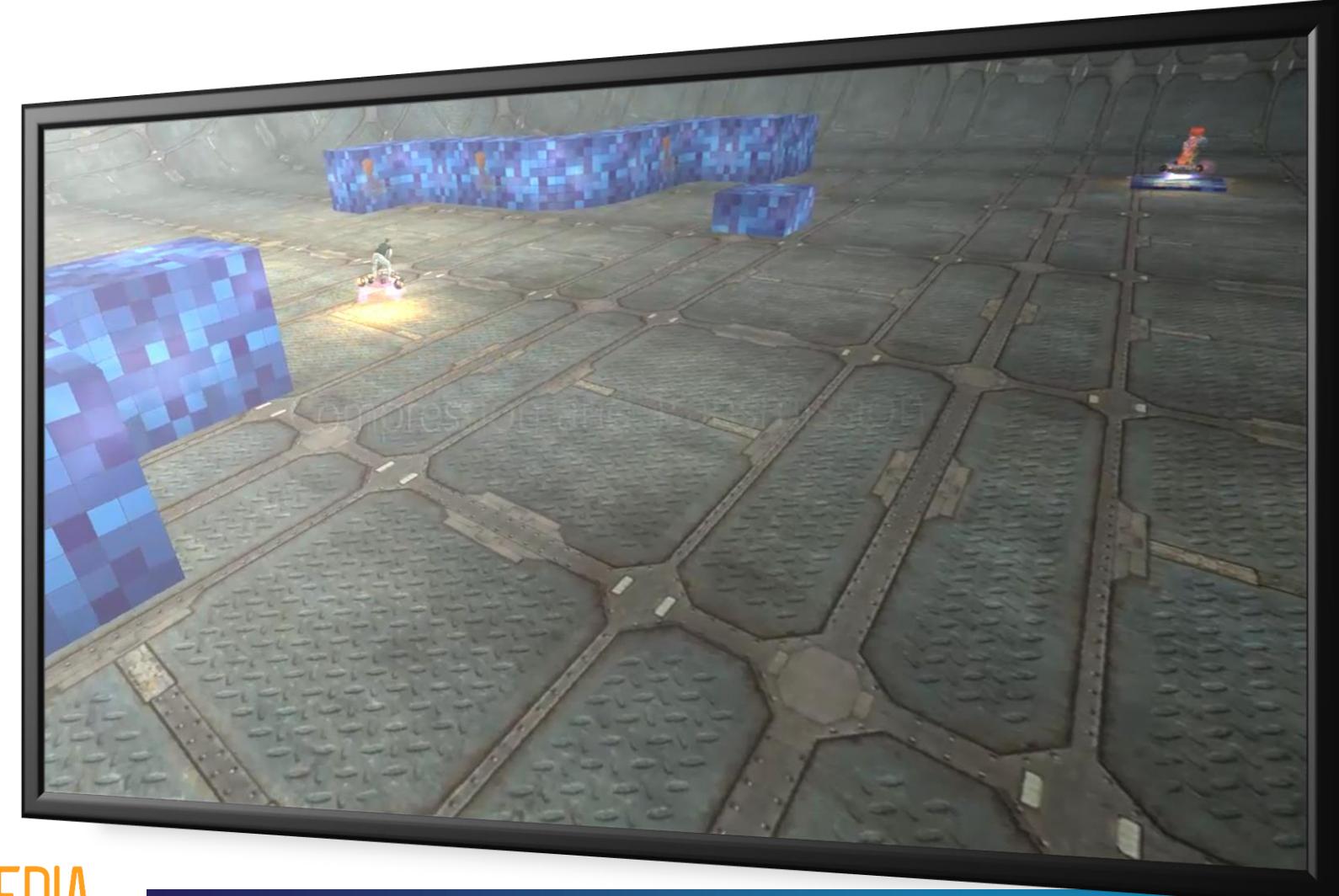


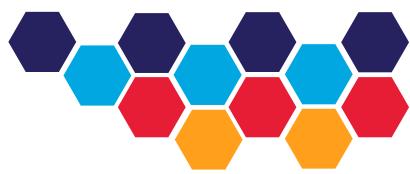
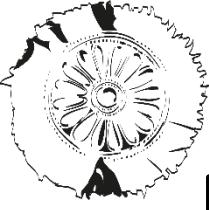
-  Real-time 3D Capturing
-  Live 3D Multimedia Stream
-  Geometry & Texture Data
-  Proof-of-concept 2 player game



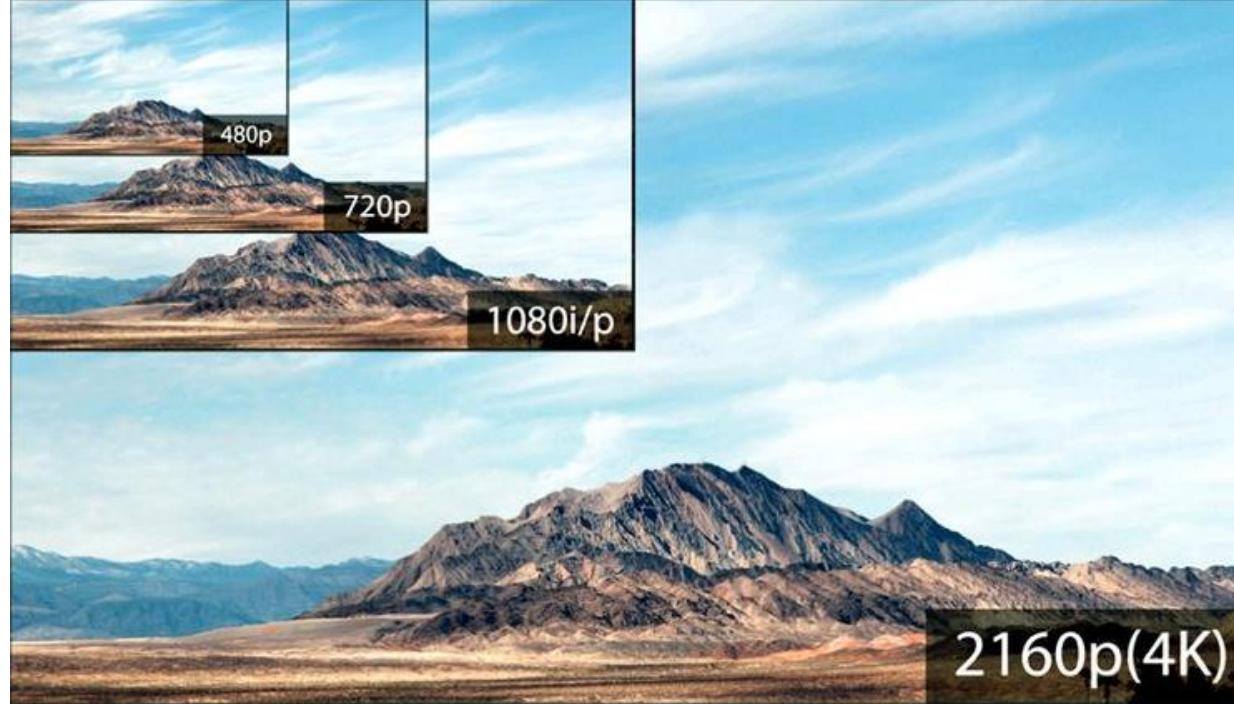


# Next Generation Immersive Media





# New Medium ⇒ New Challenges



**3.0**

Megabits  
per second  
Standard definition (SD)  
bandwidth

**5.0**

Megabits  
per second  
High definition (HD)  
bandwidth

**25**

Megabits  
per second  
Ultra HD (4K UHD)  
bandwidth



~20-40  
Mbps  
per  
stream



# New Medium ⇒ New Challenges

## Requirements

 High Bandwidth Media

 Interaction Latency

 Heterogeneous Consumption

## Solutions

 **Real-time Adaptive Streaming**

 **Minimal Transcoding Processing**

 **Multiple Encodings**



# Next Generation Networks

● New types of immersive experiences

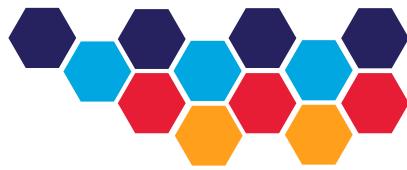
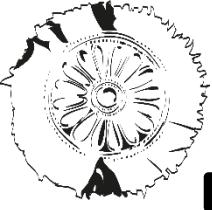
● VR/AR 5G eMBB Applications

● 5G Technology

● 5G New Radio

● 5G NextGen





# 5G Next Generation Architecture

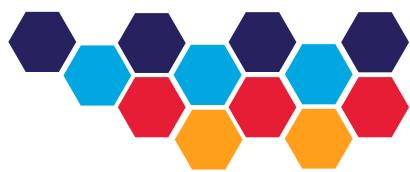
 *Software defined networking (SDN)*

 *Network functions virtualisation (NFV)*

 *Network slicing*



*No magic bandwidth increase !*



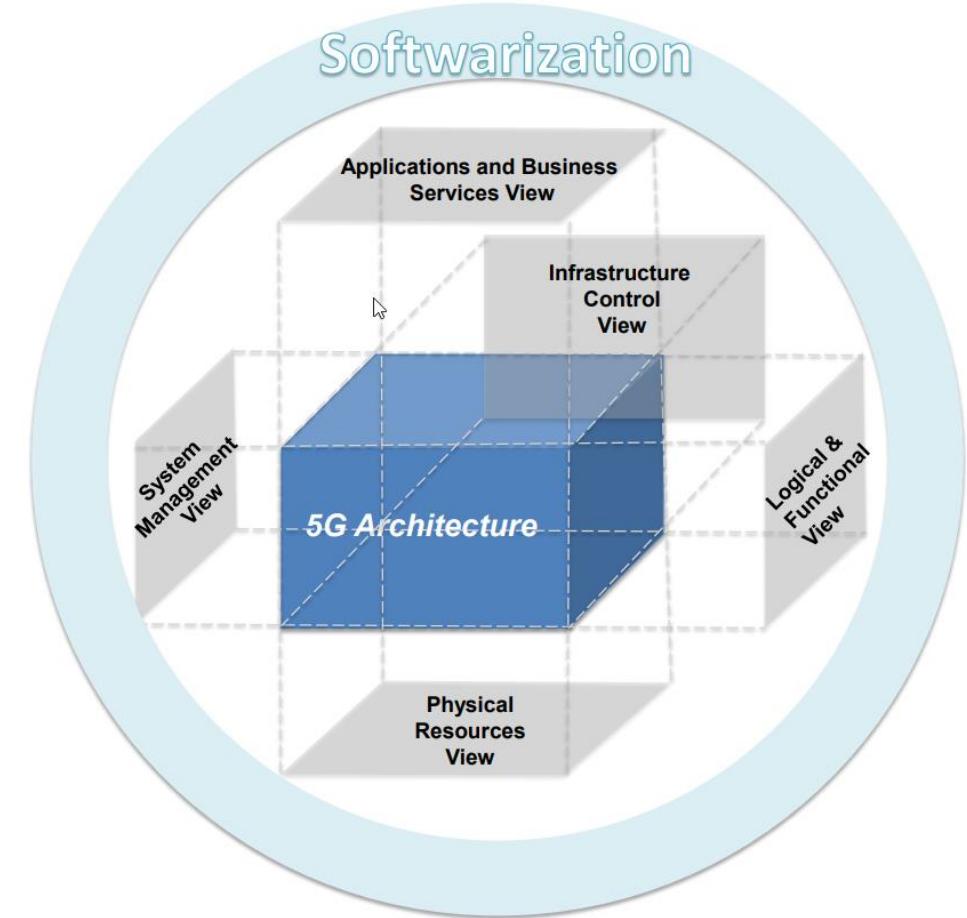
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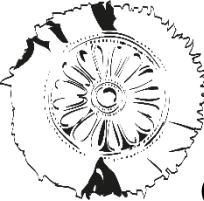
## *Network functions virtualisation (NFV)*

-  *Network virtualization*
-  *Network programmability*
-  *Network management & orchestration*
-  *Edge computing*

## *Service/Network Boundary Blurring*

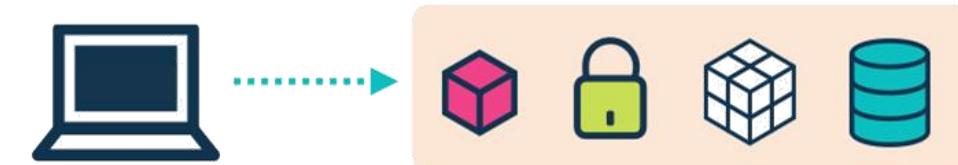
-  *Application virtual functions*





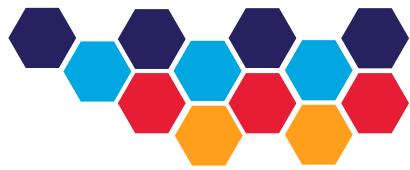
# Serverless

No Servers?



Micro-services





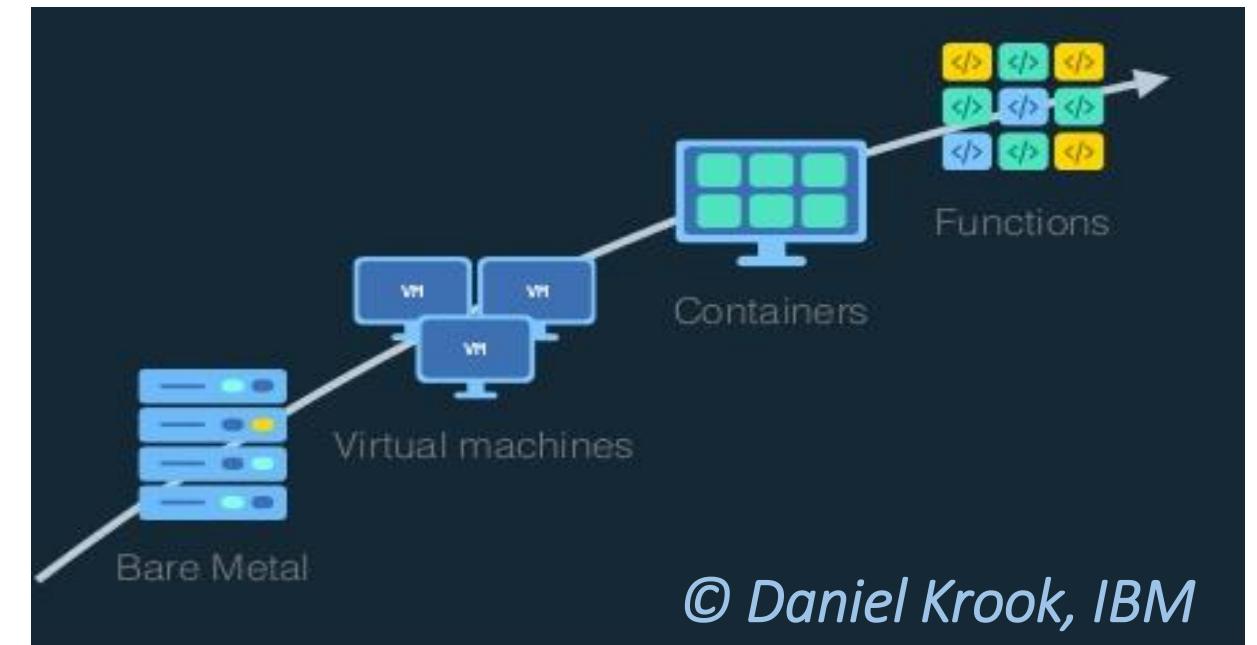
# Function-as-a-Service (FaaS)

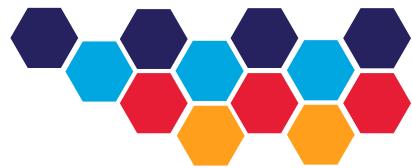
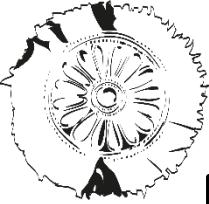
No Servers?

Micro-services

Stateless compute – FaaS

Developer Friendly Abstractions





# New Business Models

 Pay-per-use



Provisioning  
and Utilization



Operations  
and Management



Scaling



Availability and  
Fault Tolerance

 Zero Administration



Reduced  
devops



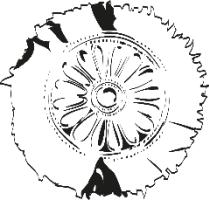
Reduced time  
to market



Per action billing

 Deployment Elasticity

 Auto-scaling



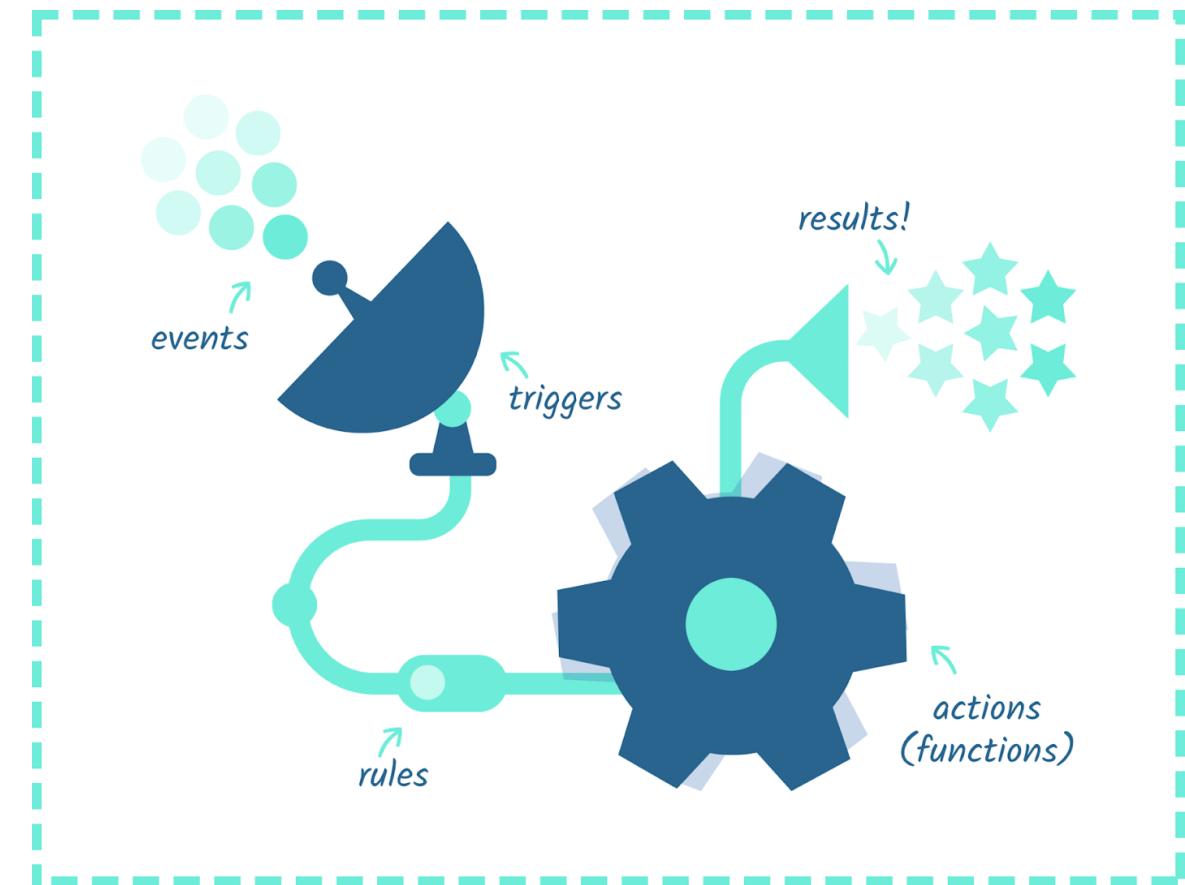
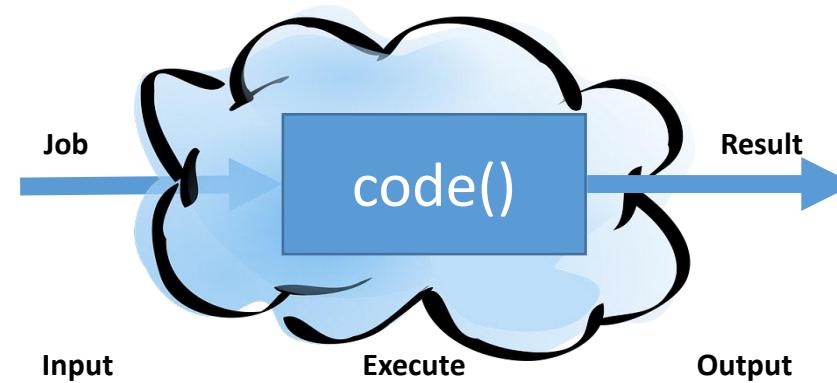
# Apache OpenWhisk

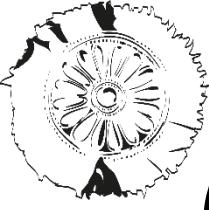


APACHE  
OpenWhisk™



- A cloud-native programming model
- Geared for event-driven use cases
- Built-in autoscaling
- No administration/provisioning
- “*Think only about your code*”
- Billing @ 100ms resolution





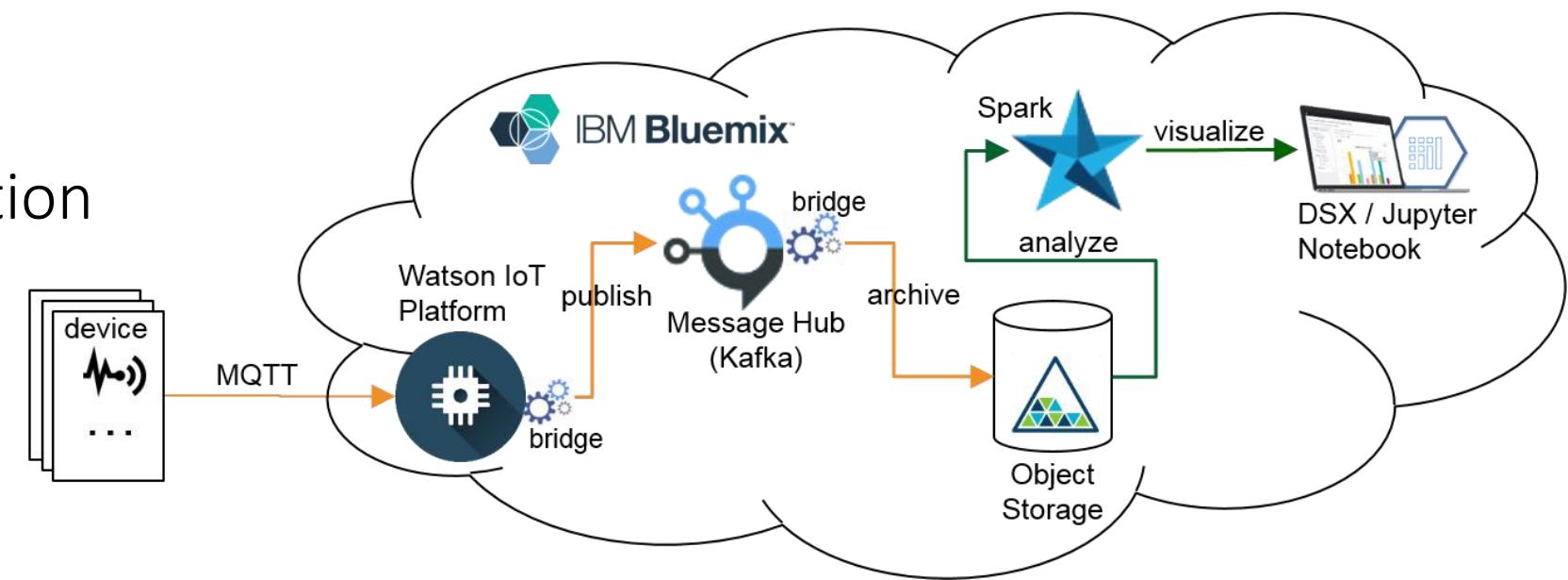
# (Natural Fit for IoT)

Programmability

Data transformation

Event-based

- Trigger
- Rule





# Server-based vs Serverless Streaming



APACHE  
OpenWhisk™



- Calculate initial size



Built-in Load Balancing



# Server-based vs Serverless Streaming



APACHE  
OpenWhisk™



- Calculate initial size



- Traffic ↑ 
- Traffic ↓ 



Built-in Load Balancing



Elastic Deployment  
✓ On a per session basis  
Fast Deployment



# Server-based vs Serverless Streaming



APACHE  
OpenWhisk™



- Calculate initial size
- Traffic ↑
- Traffic ↓
- Latency ↓ ↔ Costs ↑



Built-in Load Balancing



Elastic Deployment

✓ On a per session basis



Fast Deployment



Run on-demand

✓ Better Resource Utilization

✓ Costs ↓



# Server-based vs Serverless Streaming



APACHE  
OpenWhisk™



*Capacity Engineering  
Constant Sizing Problem*

- Calculate initial size
- Traffic ↑ 
- Traffic ↓ 
- Latency ↓ ↔ Costs ↑  
 



Built-in Load Balancing



Elastic Deployment

✓ On a per session basis



Fast Deployment

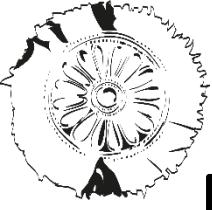


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*Development Flexibility*

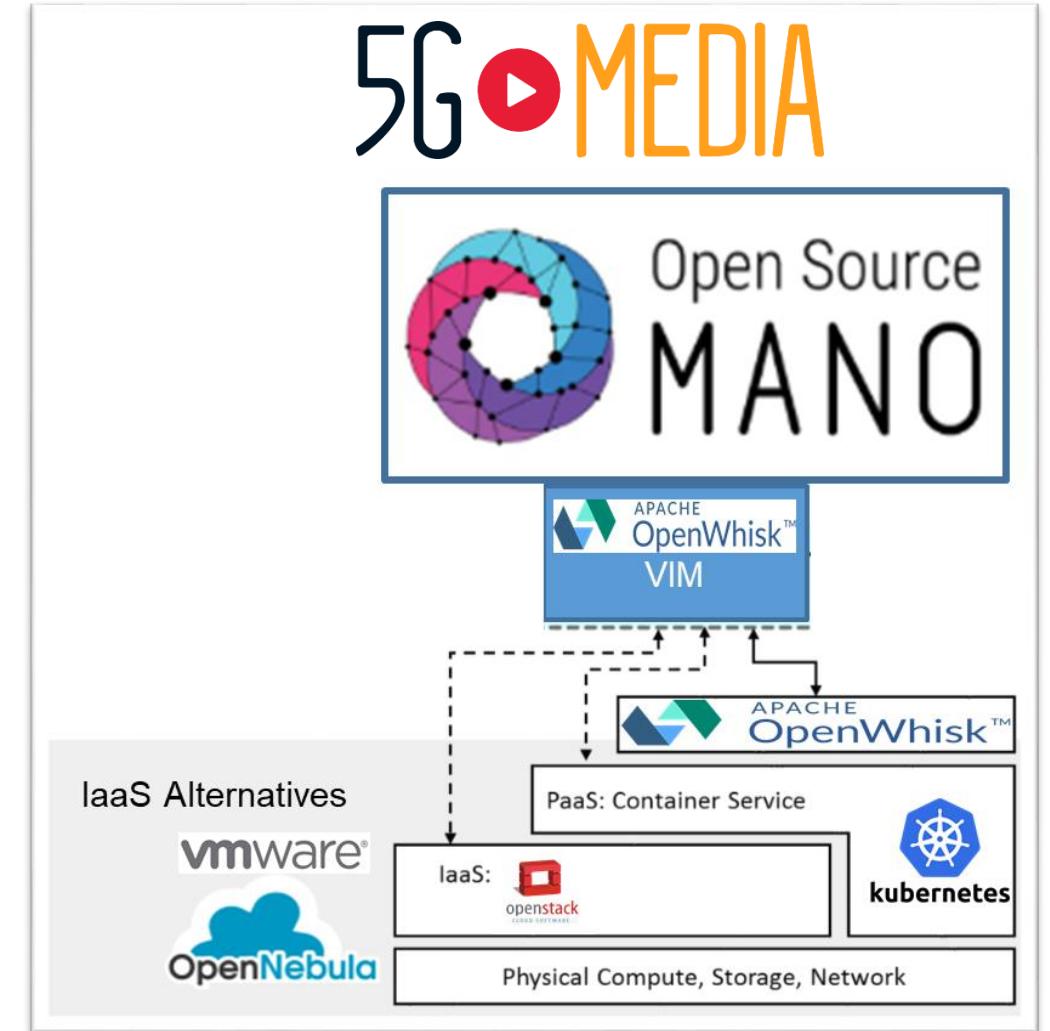


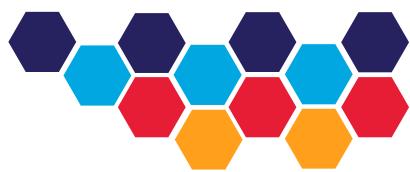
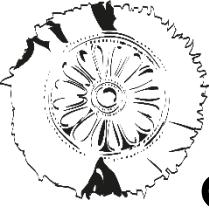
# FaaS plugged into 5G

- On-demand Instantiation
- Co-existence with VMs
- ETSI MANO compatible
- PaaS and IaaS neutral

## Basic flow

- 1) OSM initiates
- 2) FaaS VIM invokes VNF as an OpenWhisk action
- 3) OpenWhisk offloads to K8s
- 4) K8s provides networking and placement





# Serverless Media Streaming

- 2 Playing Users

- $N \gg 2$  Spectating Users

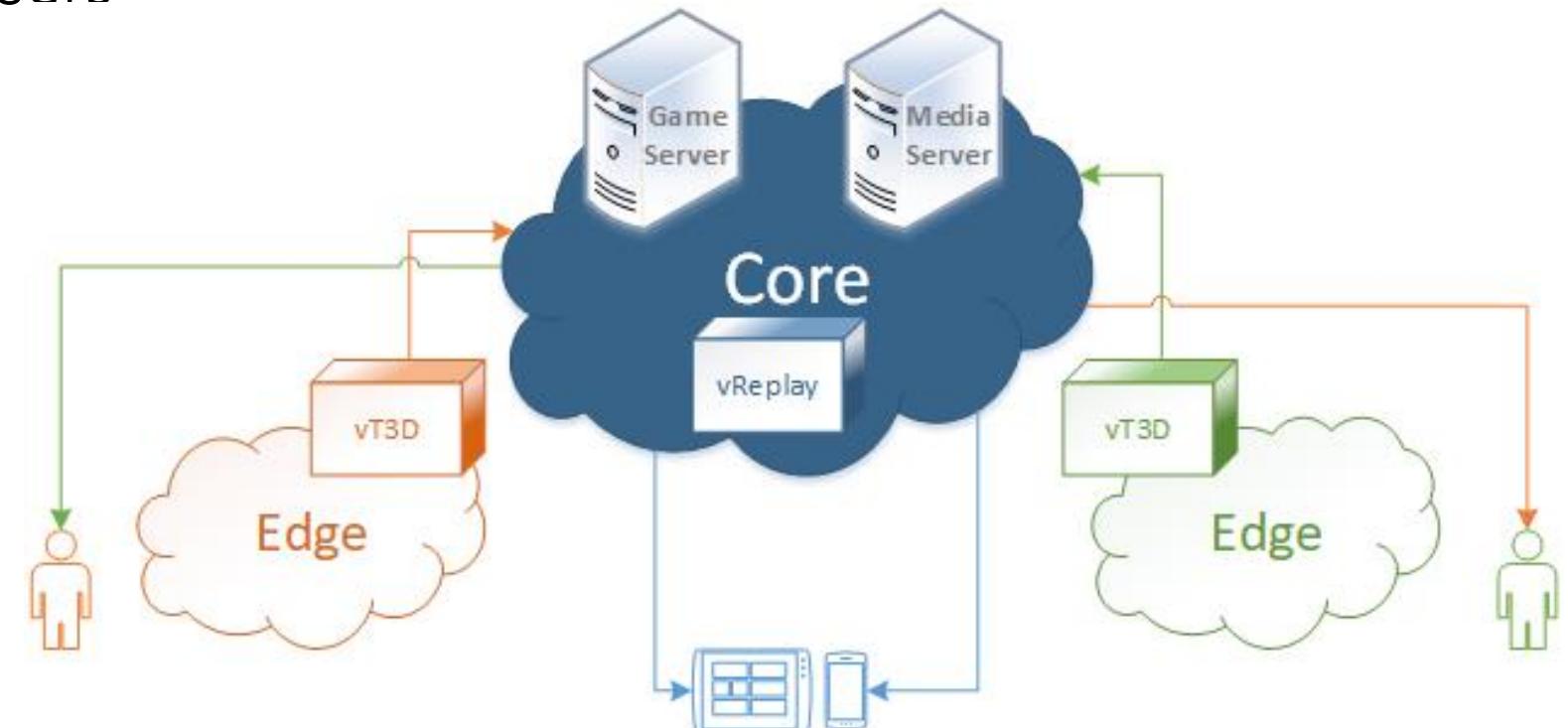
- Micro-transcoders

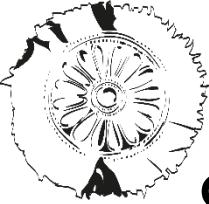
- Per user

- Per session

- On the edge

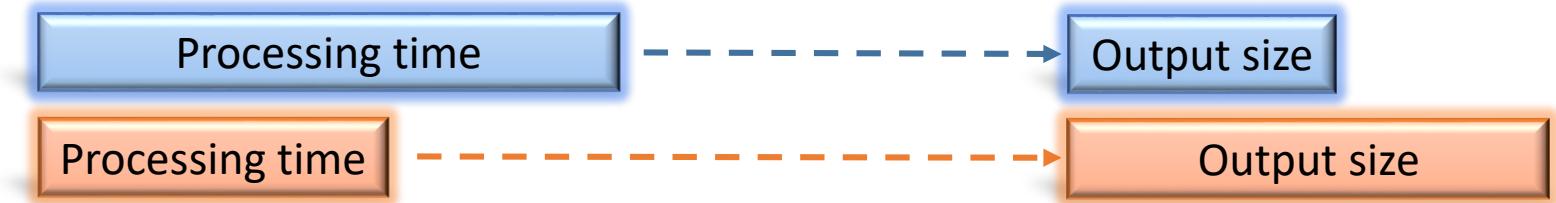
- No communication





# Serverless Media Streaming

- Real-time Transcoding



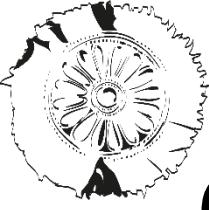
- GPGPU

- Nvidia k8s plugin
- Minimize Processing Latency
- Produce Multiple Qualities Simultaneously



- Optimization

- Location (edge, regional or central clouds)
- Computational capabilities** (e.g. availability of GPUs)
- Cost (edge nodes incur higher costs due to low resources availability of & higher demand)



# OW vs k8s

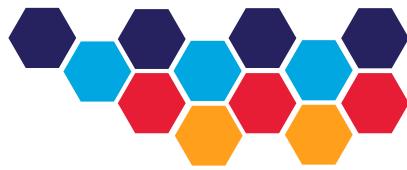
⌚ Deployment time tests

⌚ ~1% overhead

⌚ 30 experiments

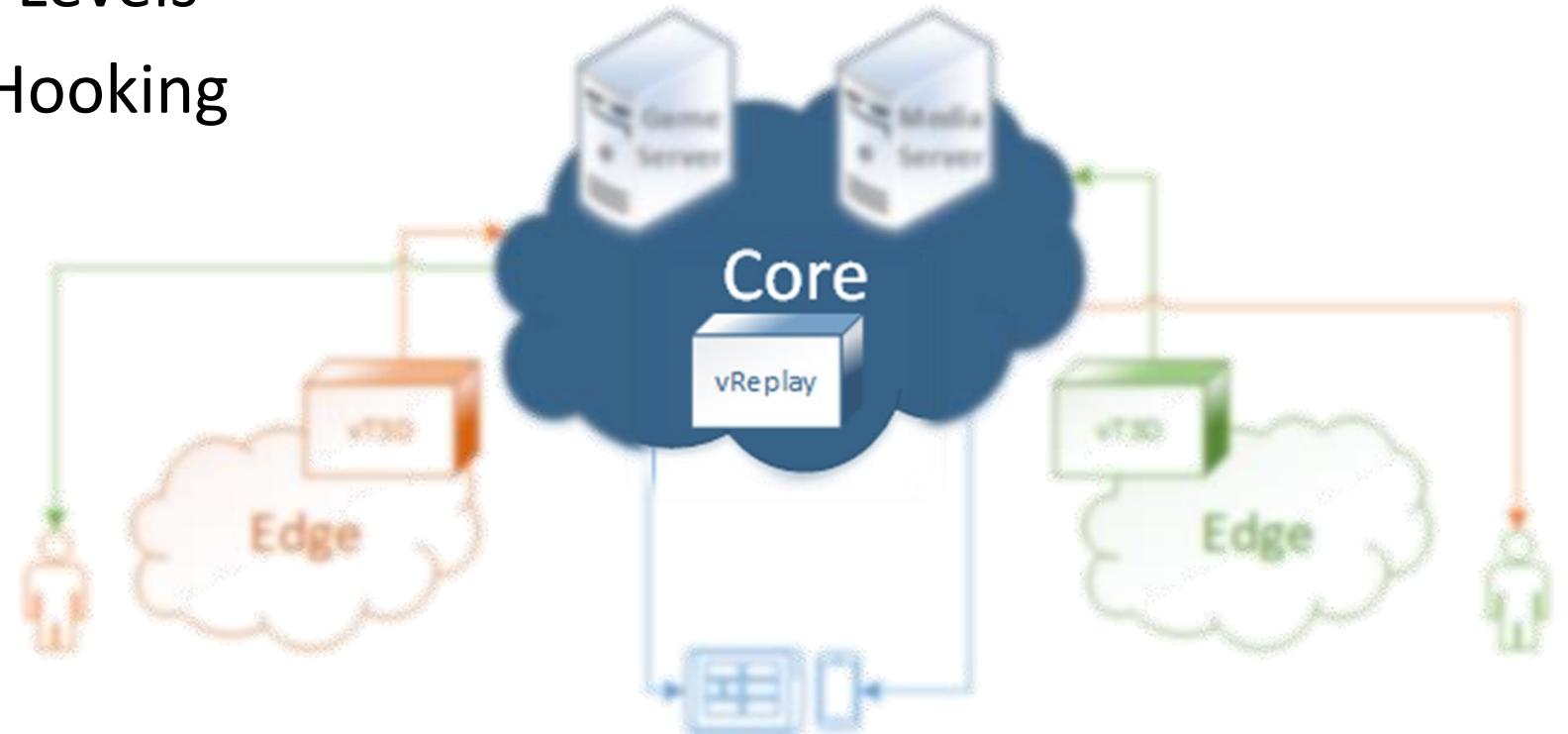
⌚ Well behaved tests

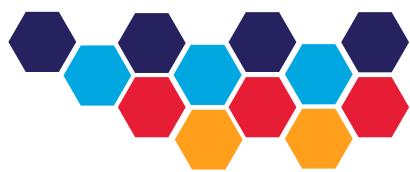
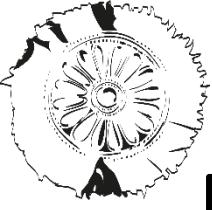
Statistics	k8s	OW
Mean	7.07s	7.8s
Confidence Interval for mean (at 0.05)	±0.2045s	±0.2778s
Minimum	6.492s	6.351s
Maximum	8.161s	8.868s
Standard Deviation	0.495s	0.673s
Kurtosis	0.044	-0.558
Skewness	1.07	-0.445



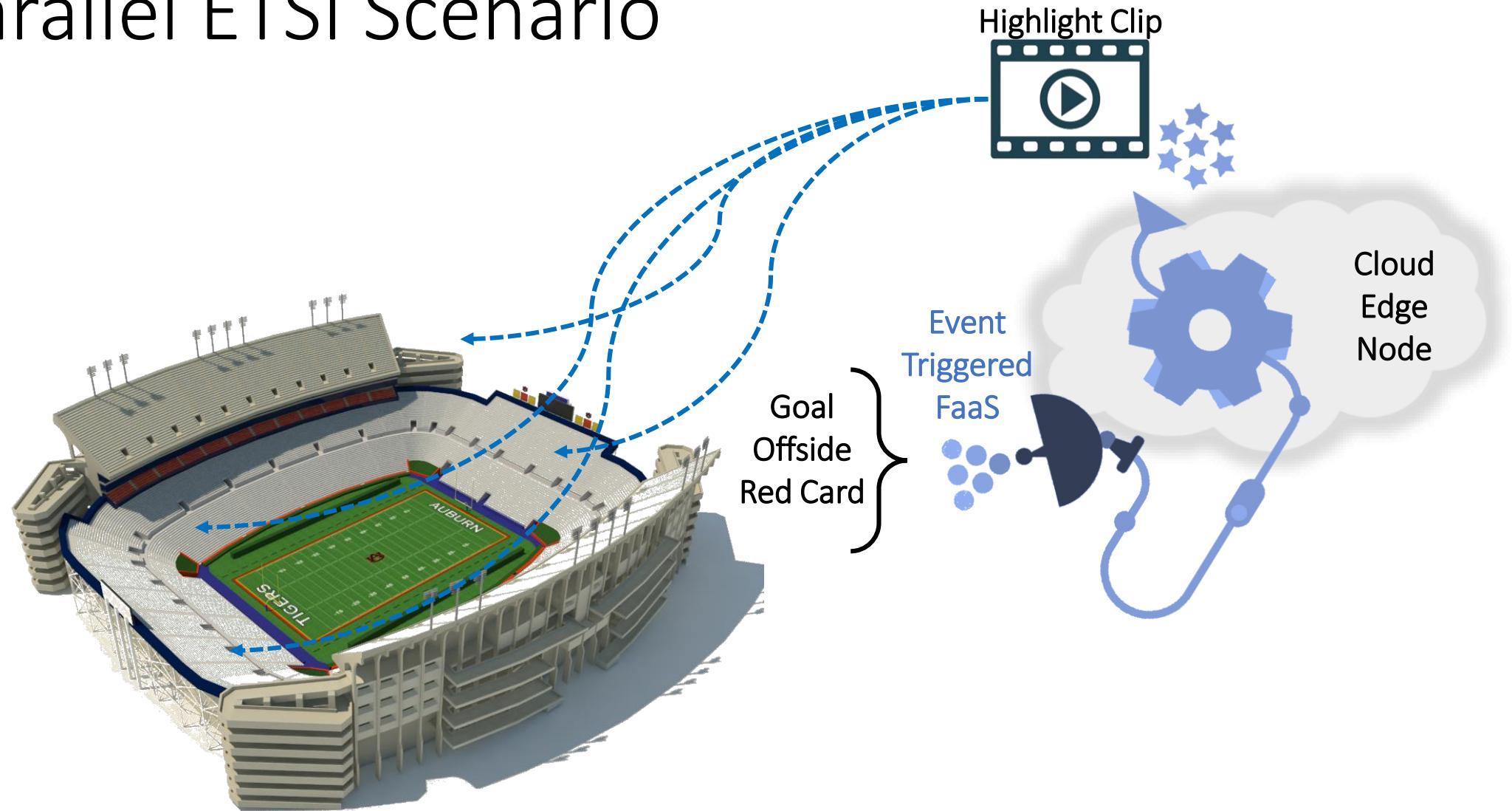
# Event-based FaaS - vReplay

- Application Level Triggering
- Unknown Occurrence Levels
- Third-party Function Hooking





# Parallel ETSI Scenario





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спасибо  
 dziękuje  
obrigado  
thank you  
sukriya  
ευχαριστώ  
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