

TSN Update and

The Use of TSN for Fronthaul



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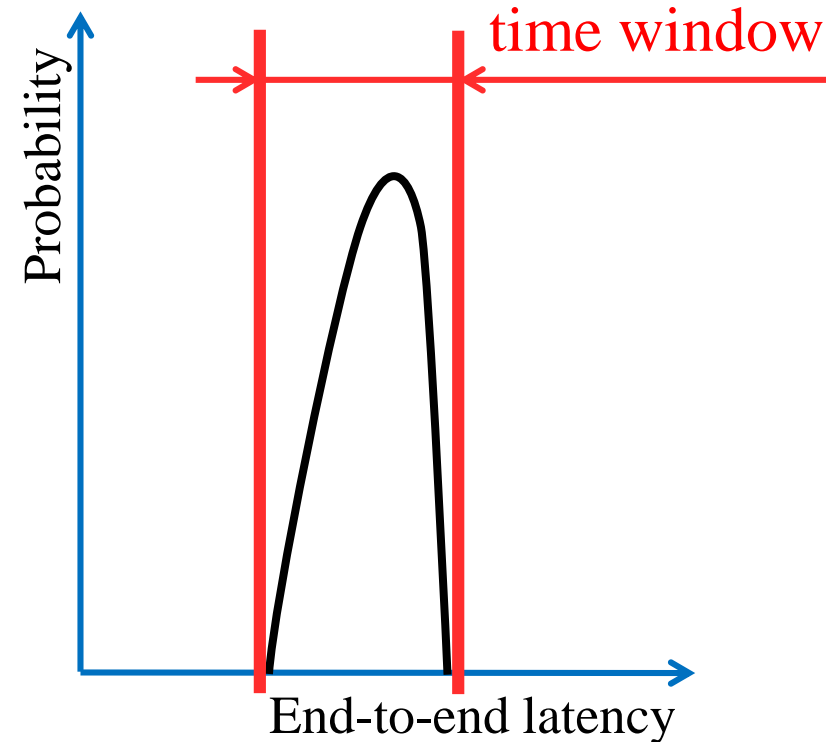
- Time-Sensitive Networking (TSN)
 - TSN tools
 - TSN profiles
- TSN for Fronthaul profile
 - Background
 - Overview
 - Updates via amendment
- Summary

What is TSN all about?



Time-Sensitive Networking (TSN) = the right packet at the right time

- Deterministic data packet delivery =
- Data packet delivery within a **time window** without loss or delay due to congestion or errors



TSN Profiles (Selection and use of TSN tools)

Audio Video Bridging
[802.1BA]

Fronthaul
[802.1CM(de)]

Industrial Automation
(IEC/IEEE P60802)

Automotive In-Vehicle
(P802.1DG)

Service Provider
(P802.1DF)

TSN Components (Tools of the TSN toolbox)

Time synchronization:
Timing and Synchronization (802.1AS)
includes a profile of IEEE 1588
(revision: P802.1AS-Rev → 802.1AS-2020
at IEEE SA Standards Board for approval)

Synchronization

**High Availability /
Ultra reliability:**

Frame Replication and Elimination (802.1CB)
Path Control and Reservation (802.1Qca)
Per-Stream Filtering and Policing (802.1Qci)
Reliability for time sync (802.1AS-2020)

Reliability

Dedicated resources & API

Stream Reservation Protocol (802.1Qat)
TSN configuration (802.1Qcc)
Basic YANG (802.1Qcp)
YANG for CFM (P802.1Qcx)
YANG for LLDP (P802.1ABcu)
YANG for Qbv, Qbu, and Qci (P802.1Qcw)
YANG & MIB for FRER (P802.1CBcv)
Extended Stream Identification (P802.1CBdb)
Link-local Registration Protocol (P802.1CS)
Resource Allocation Protocol (P802.1Qdd)
Configuration Enhancements (P802.1Qdj)
LLDPv2 (P802.1ABdh)

Latency

Bounded low latency:
Credit Based Shaper (802.1Qav)
Frame preemption (802.3br & 802.1Qbu)
Scheduled Traffic (802.1Qbv)
Cyclic Queuing and Forwarding (802.1Qch)
Asynchronous Traffic Shaping (P802.1Qcr)
QoS Provisions (P802.1DC)

Resource Mgmt

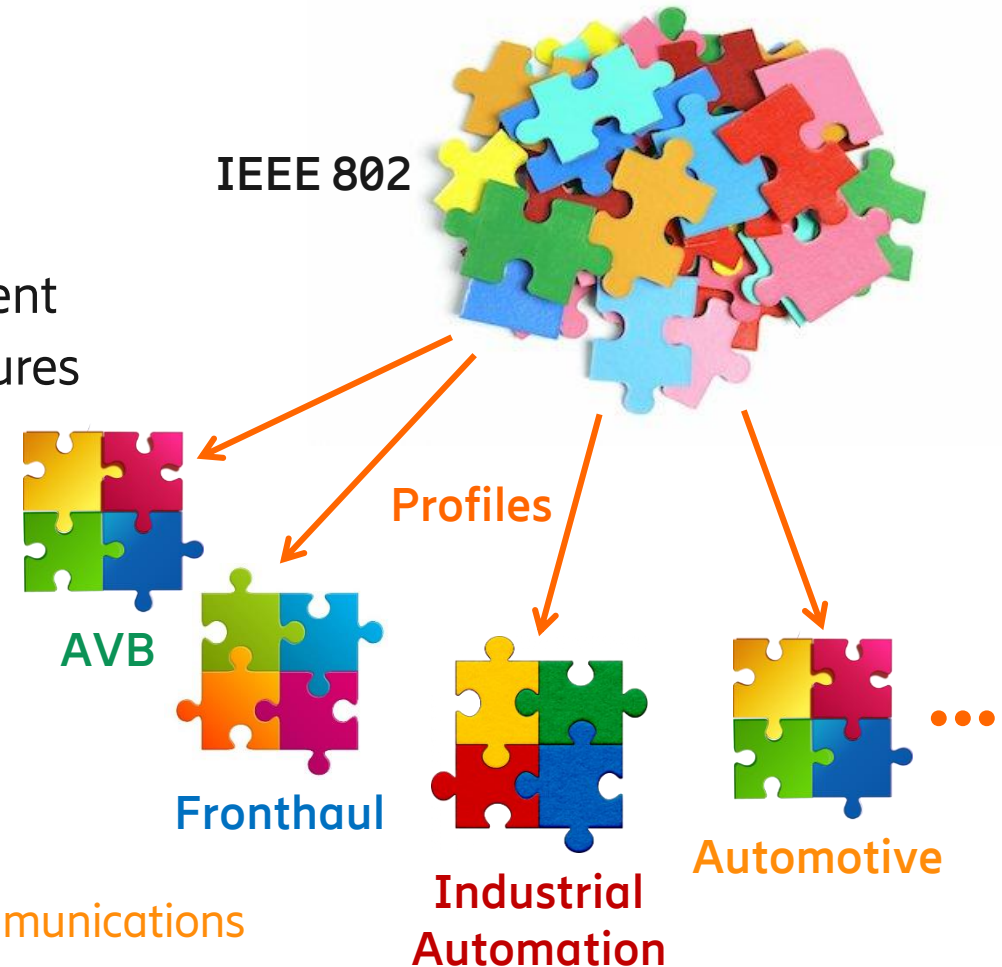
**Zero congestion loss =
Bounded latency**

Note: P upfront of an ID indicates ongoing Project

TSN Profiles



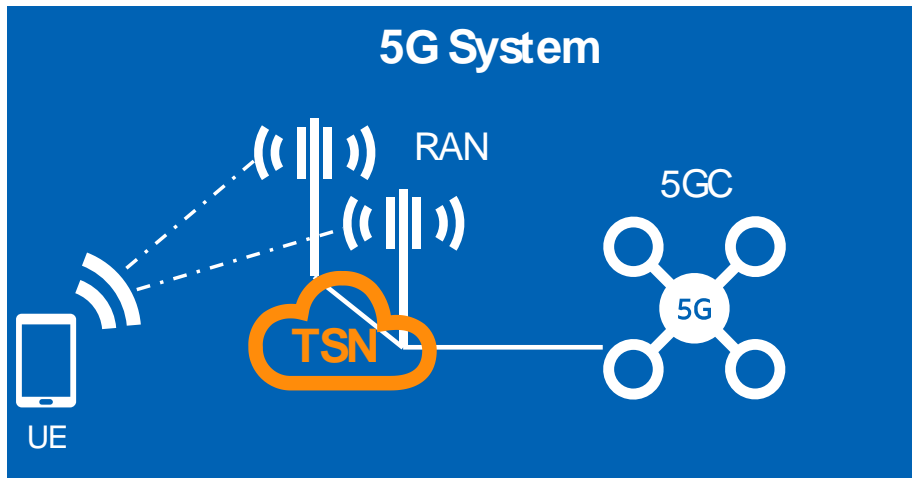
- Wide breadth of choices in IEEE 802 standards
- A TSN Profile
 - Narrows the focus → ease interoperability and deployment
 - Selects features, options, defaults, protocols, and procedures
 - Describes how to build a network for a particular use
 - Provides configuration guideline if needed
- Published TSN profile standards:
 - IEEE Std 802.1BA for Audio-Video Bridging (AVB) networks
 - IEEE Std 802.1CM TSN for Fronthaul
- Ongoing TSN profile projects:
 - IEC/IEEE 60802 TSN Profile for Industrial Automation
 - P802.1DG TSN Profile for Automotive In-Vehicle Ethernet Communications
 - P802.1CMde Amendment (TSN for Fronthaul)
 - P802.1DF TSN Profile for Service Provider Networks



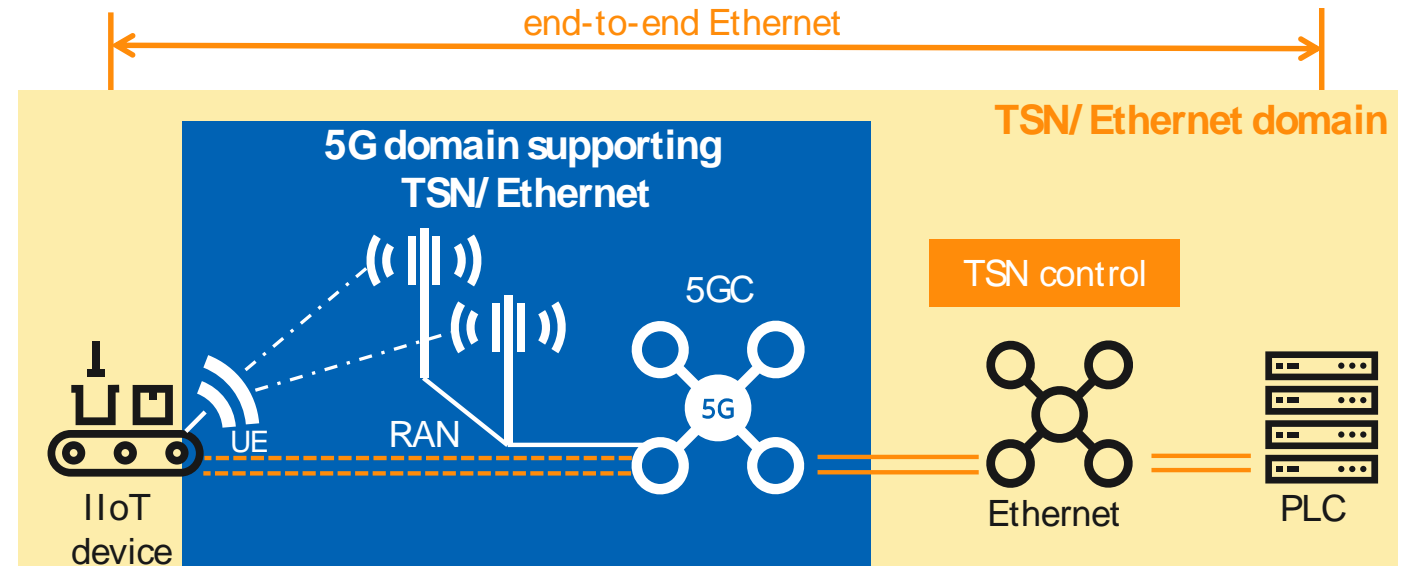
Relationship between TSN and 5G



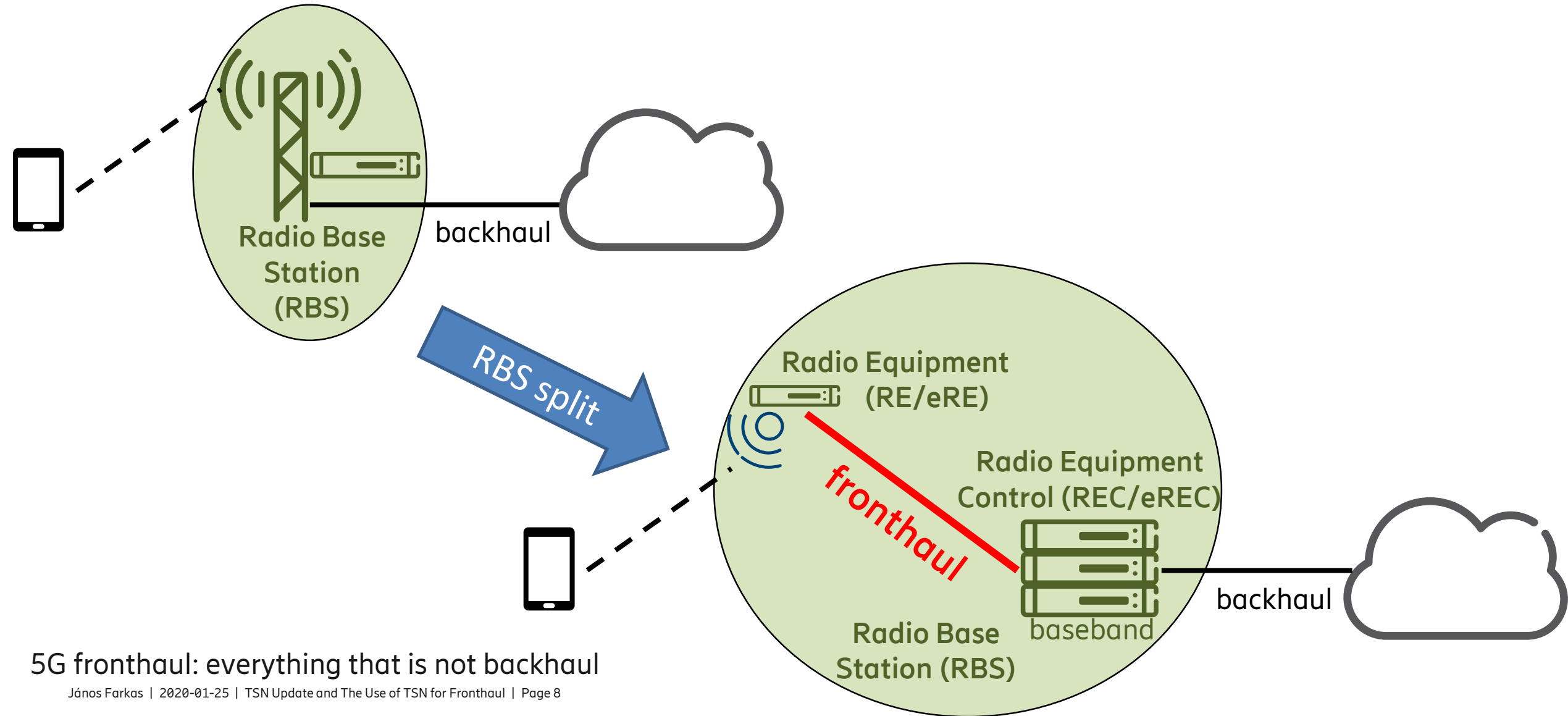
A) TSN as a building block of 5G



B) 5G interconnecting TSN devices

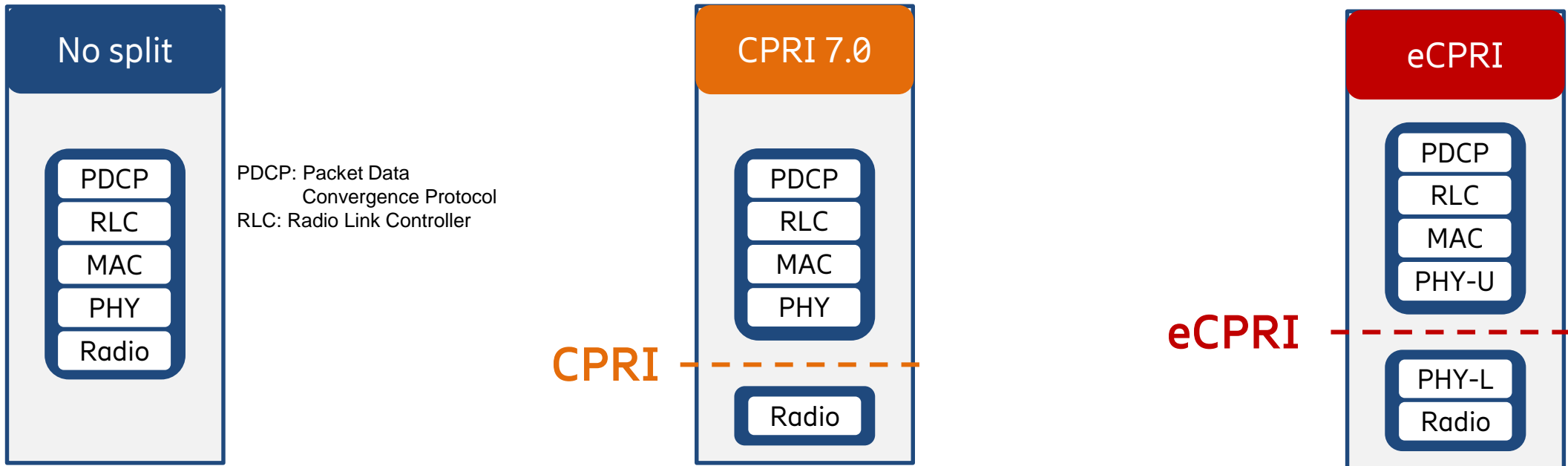


5G Fronthaul – Simplified Architecture



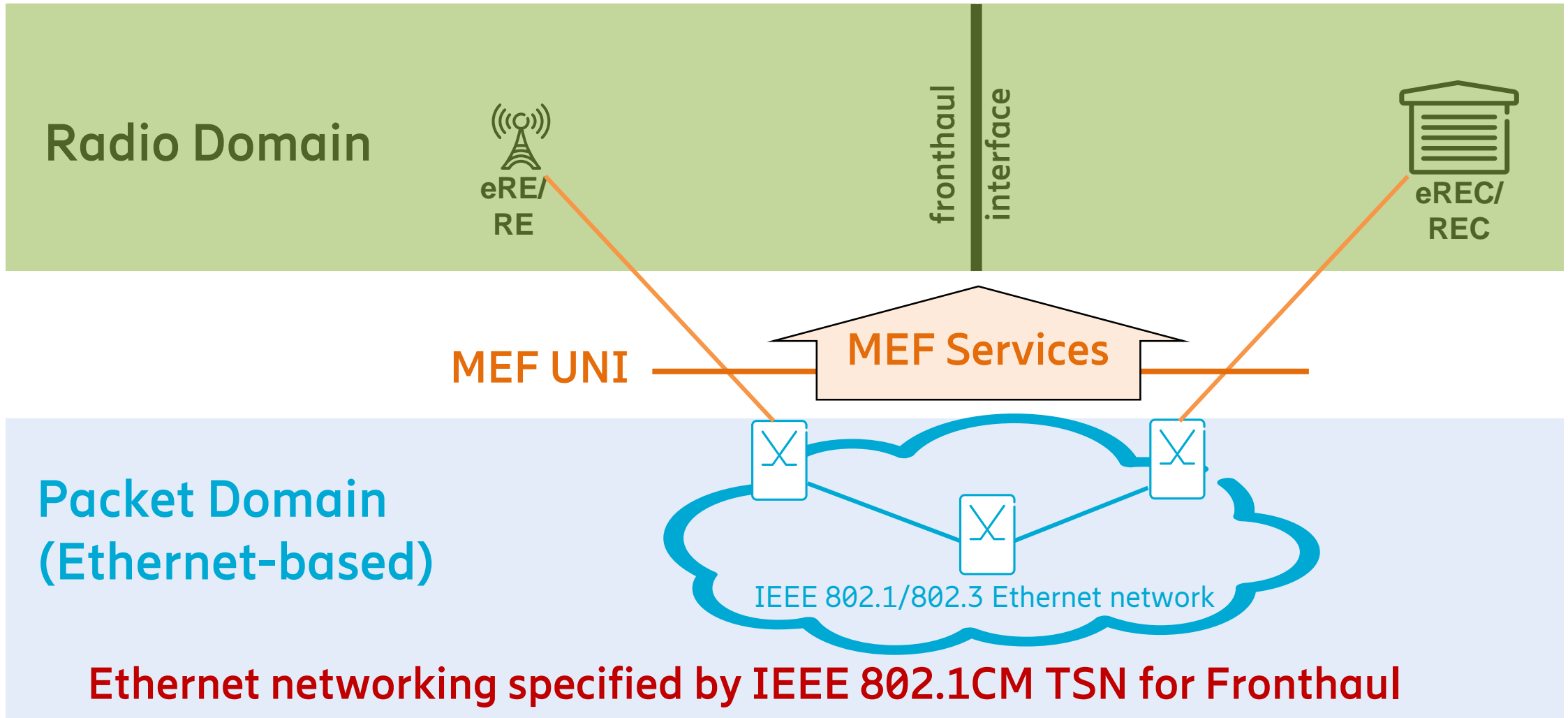
5G fronthaul: everything that is not backhaul

Radio Base Station Split



- These splits are in scope of IEEE Std 802.1CM-2018
- Further splits can be addressed by an amendment to 802.1CM

Ethernet-based Fronthaul Approach



Ethernet-based Fronthaul Details



Radio Domain

- › fronthaul flows are separated, e.g., by priority, VID
- › synchronization is separated from fronthaul data flows



separated fronthaul flows
user
C&M

fronthaul interface
CPRI, eCPRI, etc.



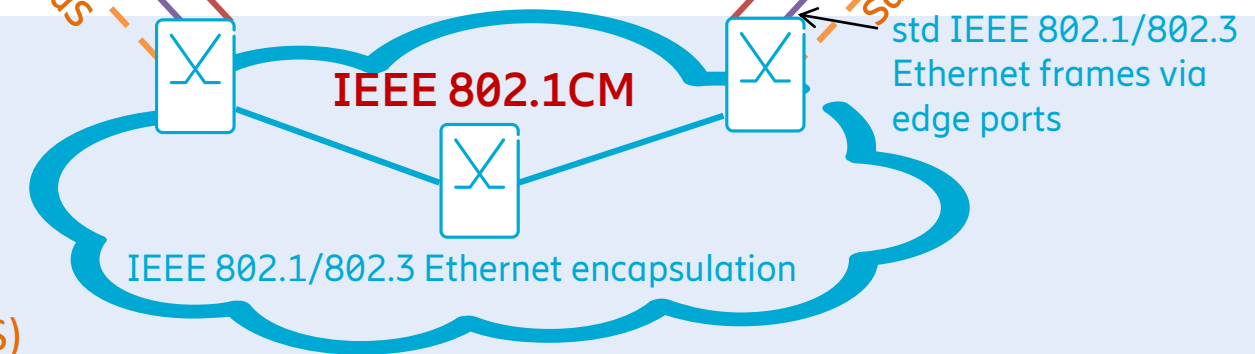
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Packet Domain

- › IEEE 802.1CM Fronthaul Profiles
 - meet the requirements of fronthaul flows
- › Synchronization can be provided by packet network, e.g., Sync as a Service (SaaS)

MEF UNI

MEF Services



Fronthaul Profiles

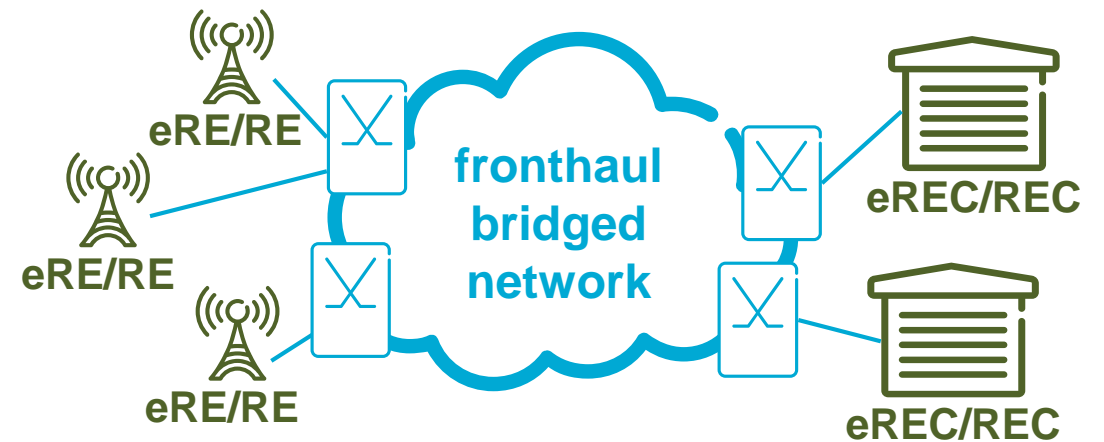


- Profiles are engineered taking into account the worst-case
- The two 802.1CM Profiles are applicable to both CPRI and eCPRI
- **Profile A**
 - Keep it as simple as possible
 - Based on strict priority
 - User data (IQ data) → high priority traffic class
 - C&M data → lower priority traffic class
 - Max frame size for all traffic: 2000 octets (IEEE Std 802.3)
- **Profile B**
 - Leverage a TSN feature: frame preemption (802.3br & 802.1Qbu)
 - Strict priority + frame preemption
 - Fronthaul traffic → high priority traffic class; express traffic
 - Non-fronthaul traffic → lower priority traffic class; preemptable traffic
 - Frame size maximized for fronthaul traffic (2000 octets)
 - Frame size is flexible for non-fronthaul traffic
- **Synchronization solutions** (being extended by P802.1CMde, see next slide)

Amending the TSN for Fronthaul Profile Specification



- [P802.1CMde](#) amends [IEEE Std 802.1CM-2018](#)
 - P802.1CMde status: concluded initial SA ballot
 - Enhanced synchronization features
 - ITU-T G.8262.1 Timing characteristics of an enhanced synchronous equipment slave clock
 - Updates for 5G
 - New annex for F1 fronthaul interface [3GPP TS 38.470]
 - Updates addressing changes in cited references
 - Updated references
 - Clarifications
- *Note: The amendment does not change the profiles for data flows.*



Summary



- TSN is evolving
 - New tools being added to the toolbox
 - Profile specifications on the use of the TSN tools
- TSN for Fronthaul profile is being updated
 - IEEE Std 802.1CM-2018 and P802.1CMde
 - Developed via a collaborative effort
 - CPRI Cooperation
 - ITU Q13/15
 - IEEE 802.1
 - Two Fronthaul profiles for data flows
 - Synchronization solutions described
 - P802.1CMde amendment updates the Fronthaul profile specification



Thank you!

