

# Pervasive Computing

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# Purpose of this lecture

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## Show that:

- pervasive computing is an evolution of computing towards more services
- It is the consequence of constant progress in wireless networks, computing power, miniaturization, storage capacity and social acceptance
- pervasive computing raises huge expectations in a number of domains and can bring great benefits
- software is key

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# Computing industry – 10-year cycles

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80's     Hardware/**process optimization**

IBM

IBM RECEIVED 3 NOBEL  
PRIZES IN PHYSICS  
(1973, 1986, 1987)

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70's



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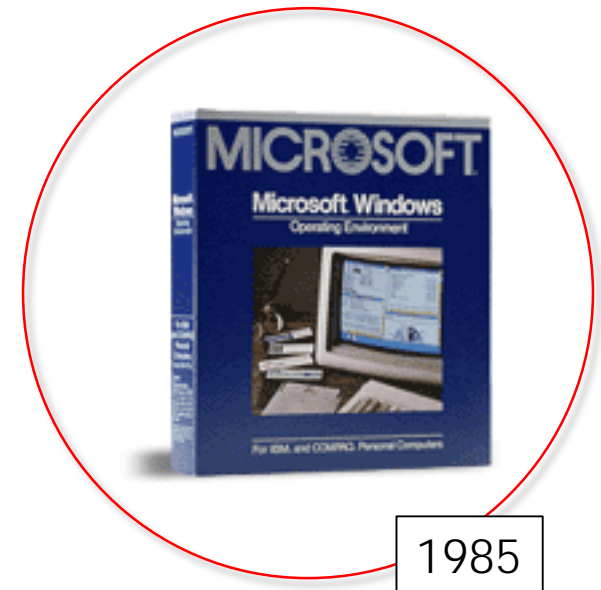
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90's     Software/**productivity**

Microsoft

THE ORIGINAL NAME OF  
MICROSOFT WAS  
"MICRO-SOFT"

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Google

GOOGLE HAS AN INDEX  
WITH MORE THAN  
3 BILLION WEBSITES

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Apple

IN THE FIRST 12 MONTHS  
65000 APPS WERE ADDED  
TO THE APP STORE

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20's     Pervasive computing/**???**

GOOGLE PURCHASED NEST  
FOR \$3.2 BILLIONS

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DO YOU HAVE  
THE NEXT BIG  
IDEA?

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# A clear trend

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## Better support to

- perform repetitive tasks

- access information

- provide added-value services

## Smarter interaction

- natural interfaces

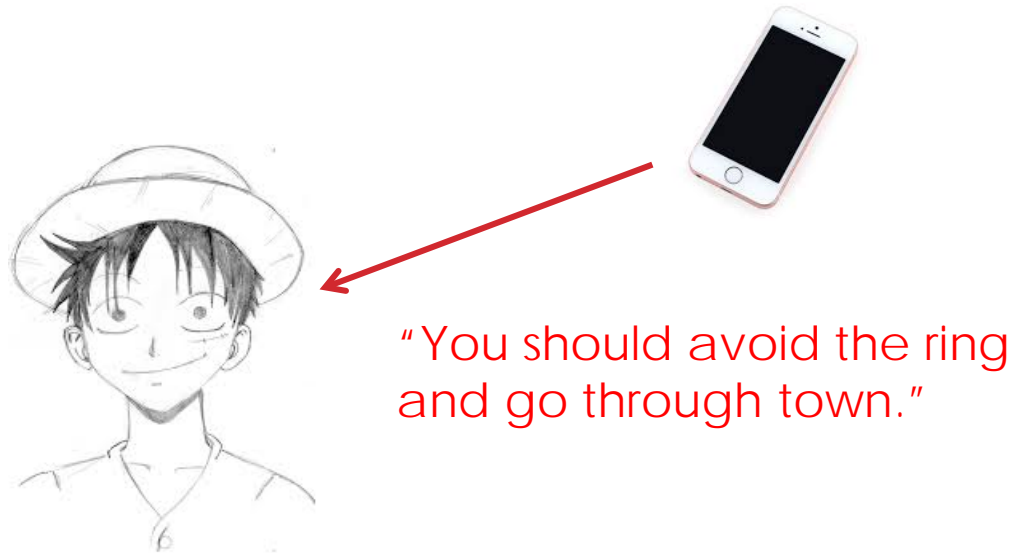
- reduce cognitive overload

# Example 1

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**"I am going home from my office at usual hours"**

My mobile pops up and suggests me to take an alternative road because of an accident.



## Example 2

“I am in a restaurant in Tokyo. There is no English menu”

My mobile downloads and launches the Yomiwa app.  
It suggests me to use it to translate the menu.



“I launched Yomiwa for you.  
You should try. It works well!”

## Example 3

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**"I am going back to Paris. My connection is late"**

My mobile is aware that I could not sleep in the plane and reserve a massage at the airport.



**"I made a reservation for you  
at the Spa, terminal 2A"**

# Expectations

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## Information and services should

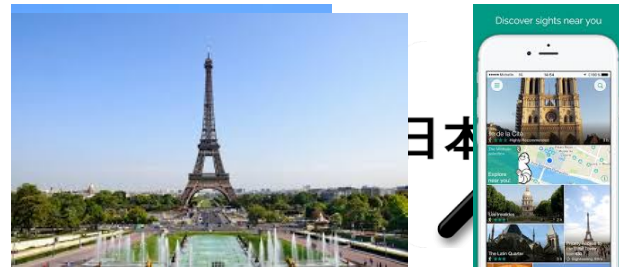
appear/be launched when I need them

take into account my preferences, emotions,  
behavior

communicate with me in a natural way

don't annoy me

disappear when I don't need them anymore



# Requirements

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**To do so, future software applications have to**

**1 – Capture contextual information**

about you (where you are, what you do, your emotions)

about the environment

about the computing resources available

**2 – Determine what to do**

Provide Information and/or services

Store data for future use

**3 – Communicate through natural interfaces**

no interaction with “computers as computers”

avoid cognitive overload

# Pervasive computing

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Pervasive computing is a step in that direction

**This technology**

was envisioned a few decades ago (Weiser – Xerox)  
has already a prominent place in our live  
will be everywhere in a near future

**Other names: ubiquitous computing, Internet of Things, ...**

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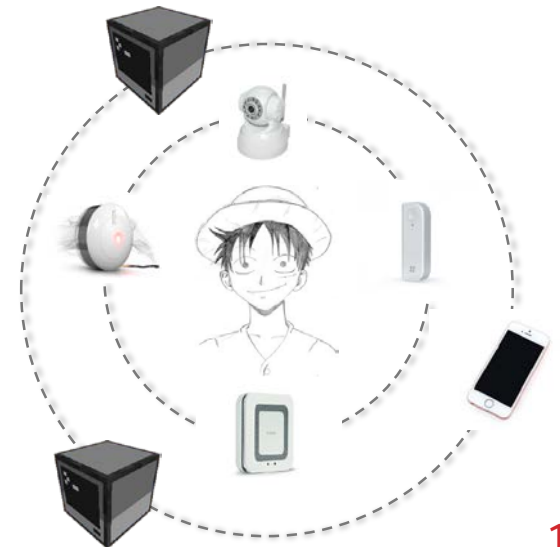
# Pervasive computing

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Pervasive computing promotes the integration of smart, networked devices in our living environments in order to provide us services.

Those services

- are context aware
- require minimal and natural interaction
- bring real added value
- are easy to administrate by end-users



# Smart devices

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## **Tiny devices in our environment**

integrated into everyday objects

capable of sensing the environment and acting upon it

mostly invisible



## **Medium-size computers that we can use**

mobile phones, laptops, etc.

extended with convenient interfaces



## **Big computers in data centers**

in dedicated areas





# Smart, networked devices

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**All these computers must communicate and collaborate**

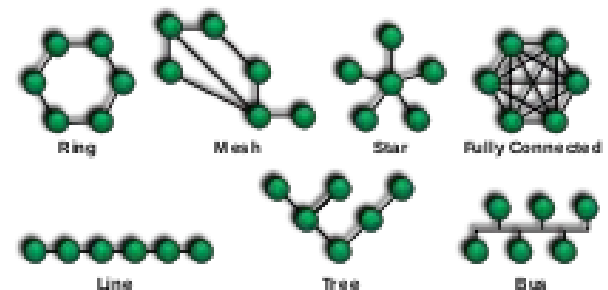
pervasive computing relies on a myriad of  
networked elements

**Networks are heterogeneous and inter-connected**

different transmission media (wired or wireless)

different topologies (bus, star, ring, fully connected)

different scale (local, home, city, world)



# Context-awareness

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Pervasive systems are context-aware by nature

it refers to the ability to gather information about its environment at any given time and **adapt** behaviors accordingly

Very challenging in practice. Pervasive system have to decide

what to gather

when to gather

how to adapt

Impact is essentially at the software level

lot of research needed



# Added-value services

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**Services must make sense and provide value**

complex or simple

based on small or large scale architecture

the trend is to go towards complex architecture



## Internet of objects

devices should be blended in our living environment

devices and services should not require advanced administration from users

## Mark Weiser's quote

“the most profound technologies are those that disappear. They weave themselves in the fabric of everyday life until they are undistinguishable from it”

# Natural interaction

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**Pervasive computing is inspired by desktop applications**

Use of the most advanced desktop means of interaction

Speech, gesture, writing

virtual reality



# Summary

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Pervasive computing is all about providing relevant **SERVICES** to human anywhere, anytime.

## Core properties of pervasive systems

- based on networked computing and storage facilities

- everywhere but invisible

- natural interaction with people (when needed)

- context-aware

- minimum administration



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# Why today?

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## **Constant technological progress**

Processing

Networking

Data Centers

Software engineering

AI rebirth

## **Social acceptance**

Mobile, Web and robotics entered general public

Public perception may even be ahead of technology

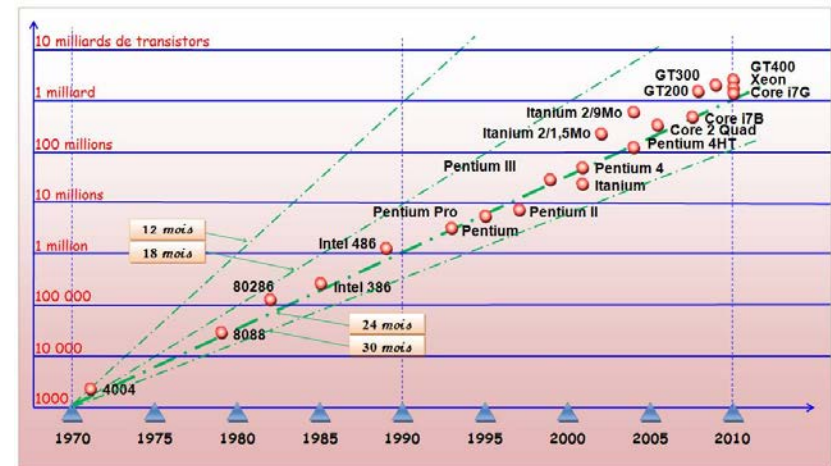
Most people not concerned by privacy issues



# Processing: Cheaper, smaller, faster

**Since 1975, the number of transistors in a dense integrated circuit has doubled approximately every two years.**

Moore's law is still valid (but will end eventually – 10 more years is the most common prediction)



**Allows the creation of affordable communication-enabled devices, powerful mobile devices and also ultra-powerful computers.**

# Networking: Cheaper, faster, all-terrain

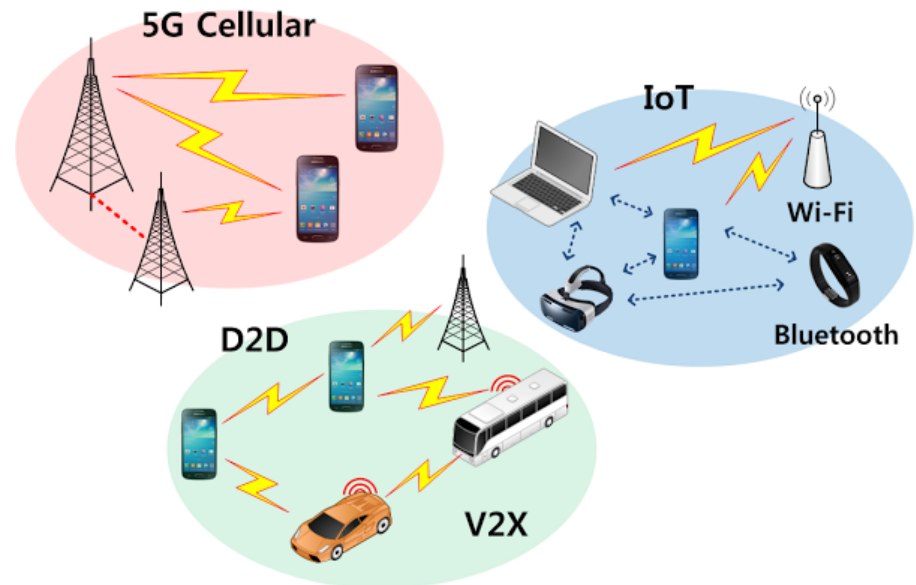
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**Networks allow increased connectivity between devices, computers**

Fiber – the number of bits/second increases exponentially

5G - 100 times faster than 4G

local networks - Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, Zwave, Lora, ind. Ethernet, ...



**Here, standards play an important role**

# Data centers: bigger, cheaper, more energy-efficient

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## **Huge data centers are available to house computing and storage**

fast Internet connectivity

non stop operation (deployment, computing, etc.)

mass-storage

still energy-consuming (eat up as much electricity as small towns)

**Allows the storage of large amount of data  
and quick calculations**



# Software engineering : more flexible

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## 1968: Creation of the Software Engineering field

50 years of continuous improvements (and failures!)

Software complexity, size, instability continue to grow too

## Modern techniques and processes are being developed :

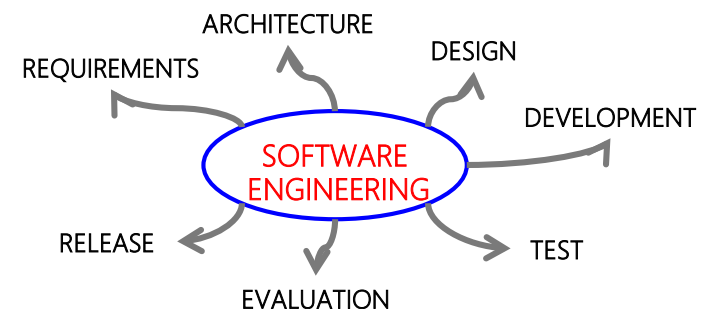
Component-based software engineering

Service-oriented computing

Autonomic computing

Agility and continuous integration

**Allows flexible, self-managed software systems.**



# AI rebirth

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**20 years ago, Artificial Intelligence was dead**

**In the last few years, AI has been re-discovered**

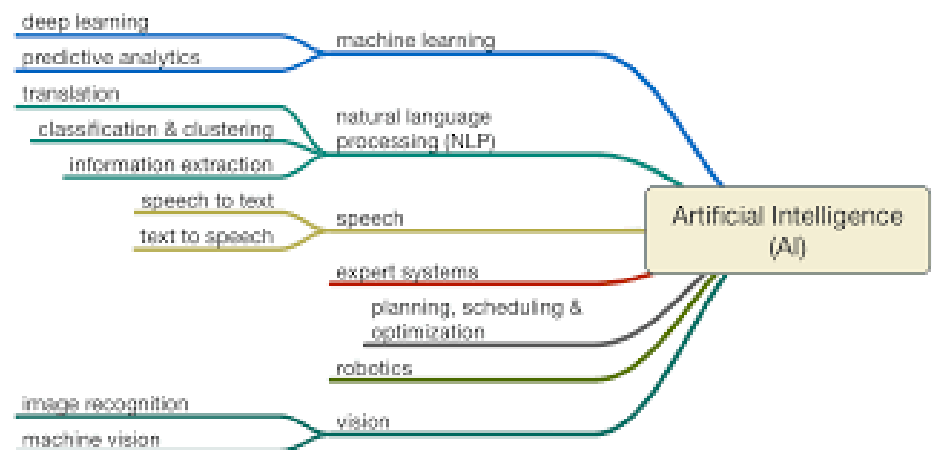
Focus on smart algorithms, not on human imitation

Natural language (Siri, Google Now, Cortana, Viv, ...)

Vision

Machine Learning

Expert systems



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# Pre-pervasive era

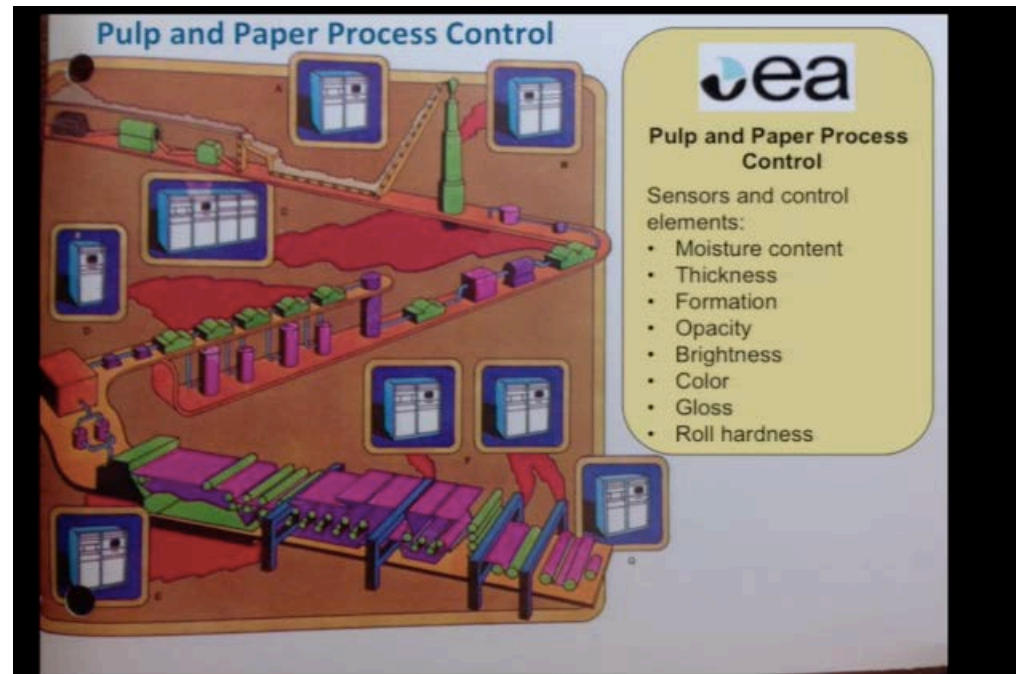
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## The idea of pervasive applications emerged in the manufacturing industry

use of sensors to control and monitor process

very limited connection with IT

### Ex: paper industry



# Pervasive today

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## **Many sensor based applications**

GPS applications

GSM applications

RFID applications

## **Mobile based application**

extremely popular

advanced results

## **Emergence of smart spaces**

# GPS trackers

**Device using the *Global Positioning System* to determine and track their location (stored in the device or sent to a computer)**

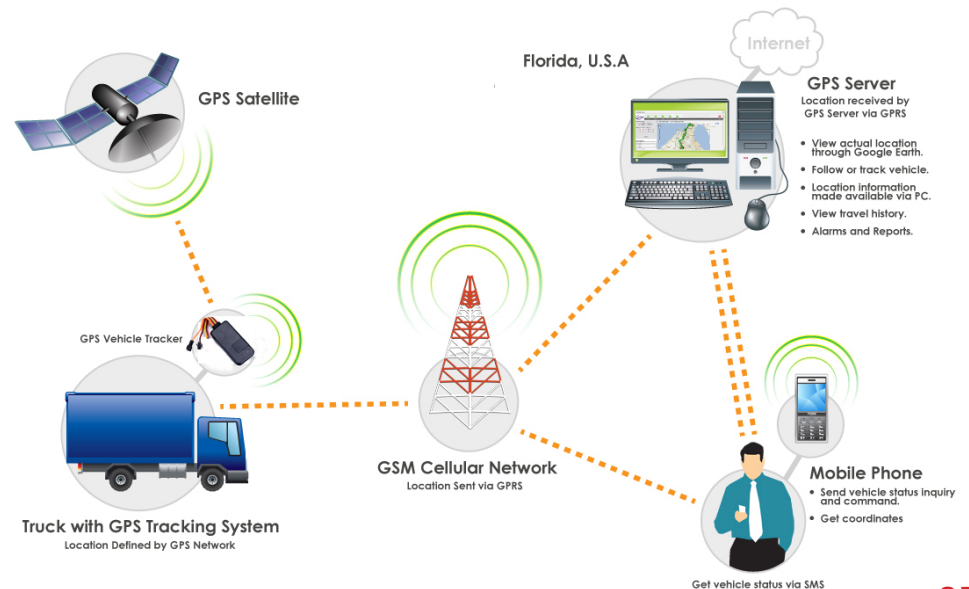
cameras (time and location)

commercial fleets

race tracking

adventure sports

animal tracking



# GSM trackers

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**The Global System for Mobile communication (GSM) signals allow to determine the location of a phone and its user**

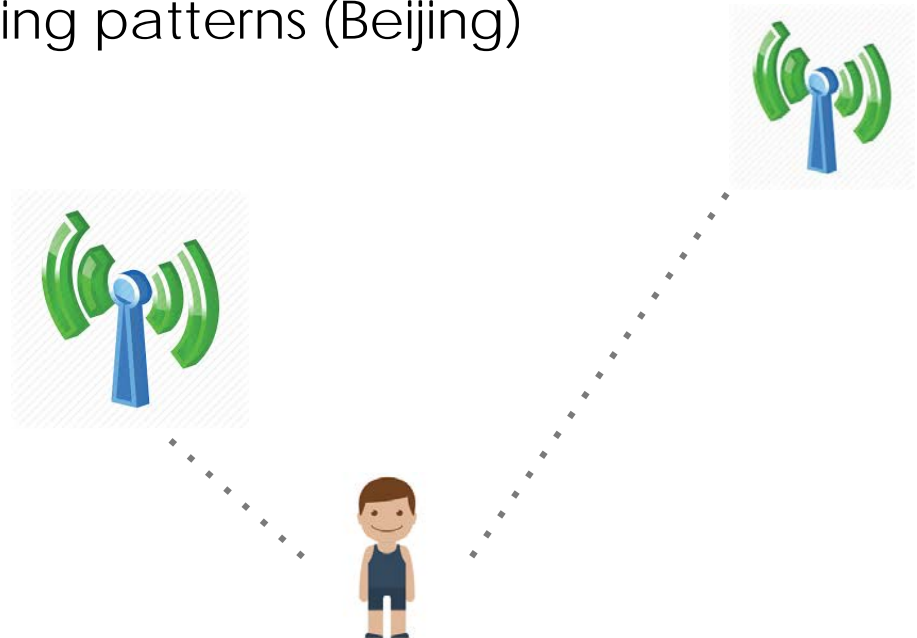
power of the signal

triangulation if several antennas are reachable

less accurate than GPS

Used to track commuting patterns (Beijing)

**Extended with maps  
information (semantics)**



# RFID applications



## Billions of active RFID chips in the world

in wine boxes – to ensure quality preservation during transport

in shoes – to track you and connect with friends

in clothes – to support stock management

in passports – to communicate your information and photo

badges – to enter buildings



# Smart phone applications

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## Smart phones includes many sensors

Accelerometer

Gyroscope

Magnetometer (compass)

Light detector

Proximity sensor

Pedometer

Heart rate

Fingerprints

APPLE REACHED A  
BILLION PHONES  
IN NOV. 2014

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# Conclusion about current applications

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**These are the first pervasive applications in the market**

**They provide rich, added-value services but**

- sensors are specific and dedicated

- sensors are not shared

- All available sensors are not used

- hard to extend

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# Smart environments

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**Uniting physical and computing environments with the intention of providing more services**

Creation of “homogeneous” places

Collaborating devices

collaborating applications


**IT IS ALL ABOUT COHERENT SERVICES**

# Smart meeting room



# Smart home

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Energy and water supply management based on needs, market prices, ...

Windows and doors control based on weather, daytime, habits.

Light management based on luminosity and inhabitants activities.

HVAC (Heat and Air condition) control

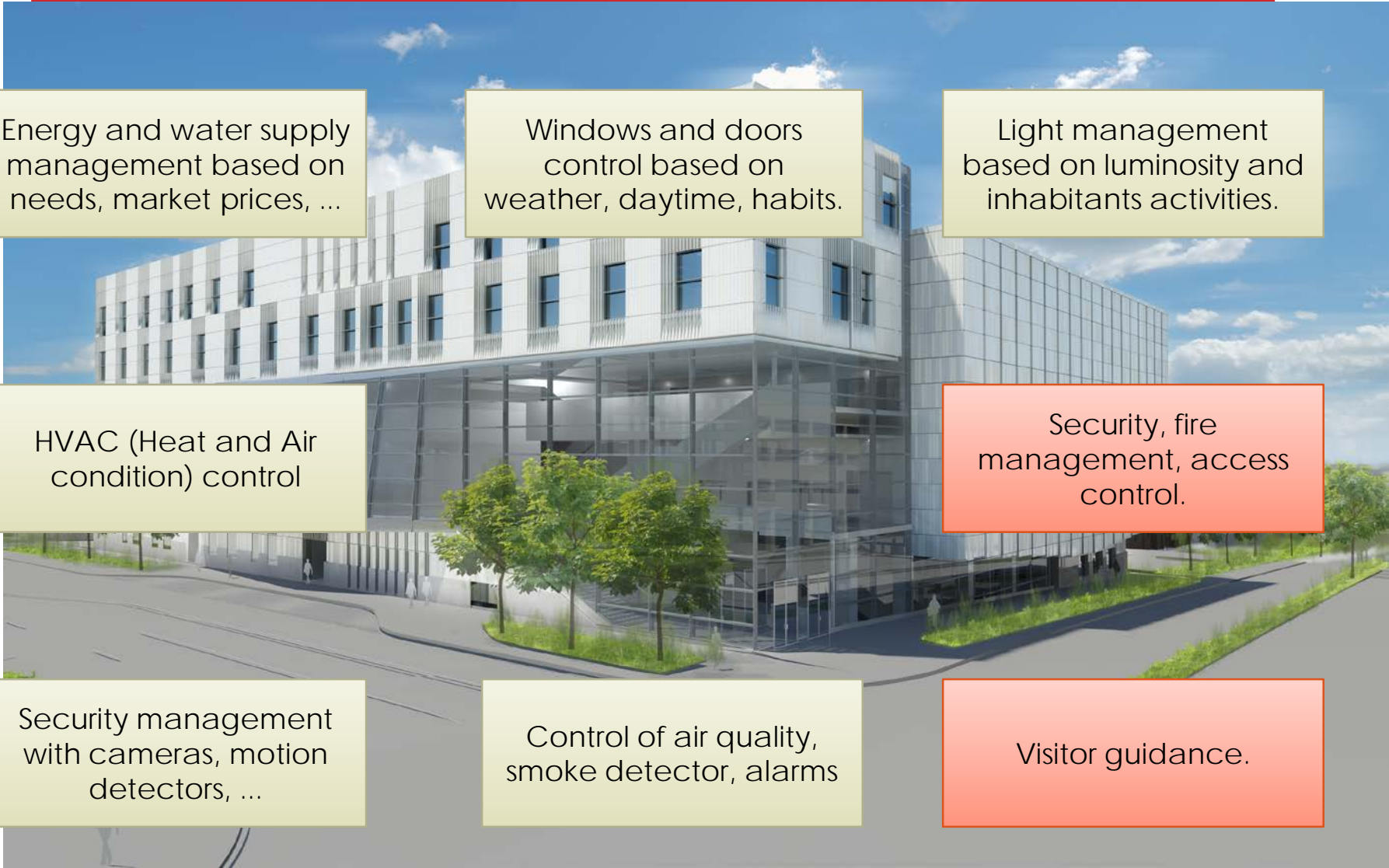
Health applications: fall detection, activity, number of steps

Security management with cameras, motion detectors, ...

Control of air quality, smoke detector, alarms

Purchase of missing or broken item or food

# Smart building



Energy and water supply management based on needs, market prices, ...

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HVAC (Heat and Air condition) control

Security, fire management, access control.

Security management with cameras, motion detectors, ...

Control of air quality, smoke detector, alarms

Visitor guidance.

# Smart city

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Smart  
Energy

Smart  
Transport

Smart  
Buildings

Smart  
Water

Smart  
Care



# Smart city: combination of vertical solutions

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## Smart Care

- Smart Houses
- Sound monitoring
- Electromagnetism monitoring
- Pollution monitoring

## Smart Transport

- Smart Roads
- Traffic monitoring
- Smart cars and bus
- Smart Trains

## Smart Energy

- Lights management
- Smart Building
- Smart grids
- Smart Parking

## Security

- Video surveillance
- Activity recognition
- Emergency service
- People counting



# Smart Lighting

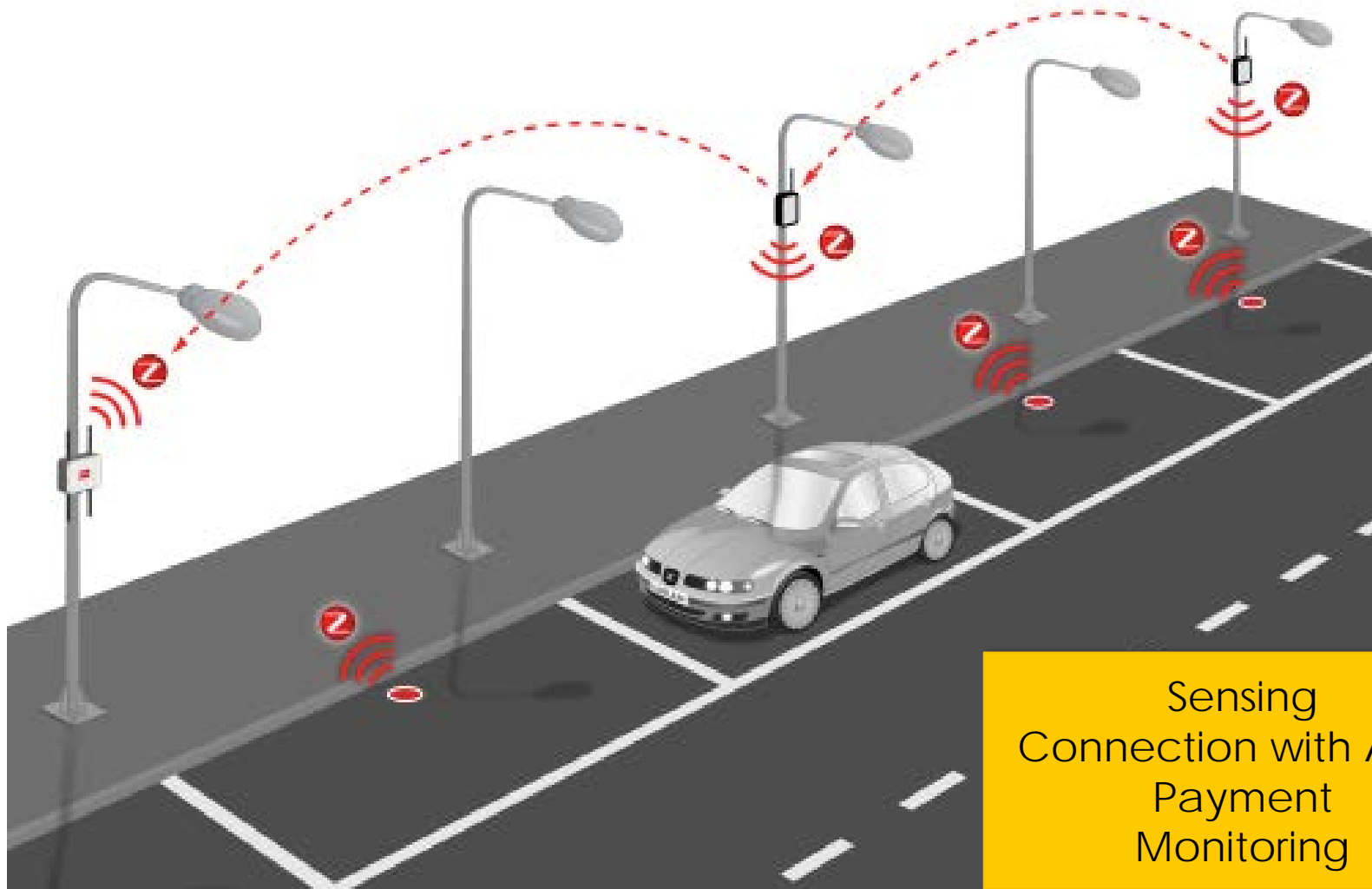
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Sensing  
Light monitoring  
+ camera Surveillance  
+ gateway features

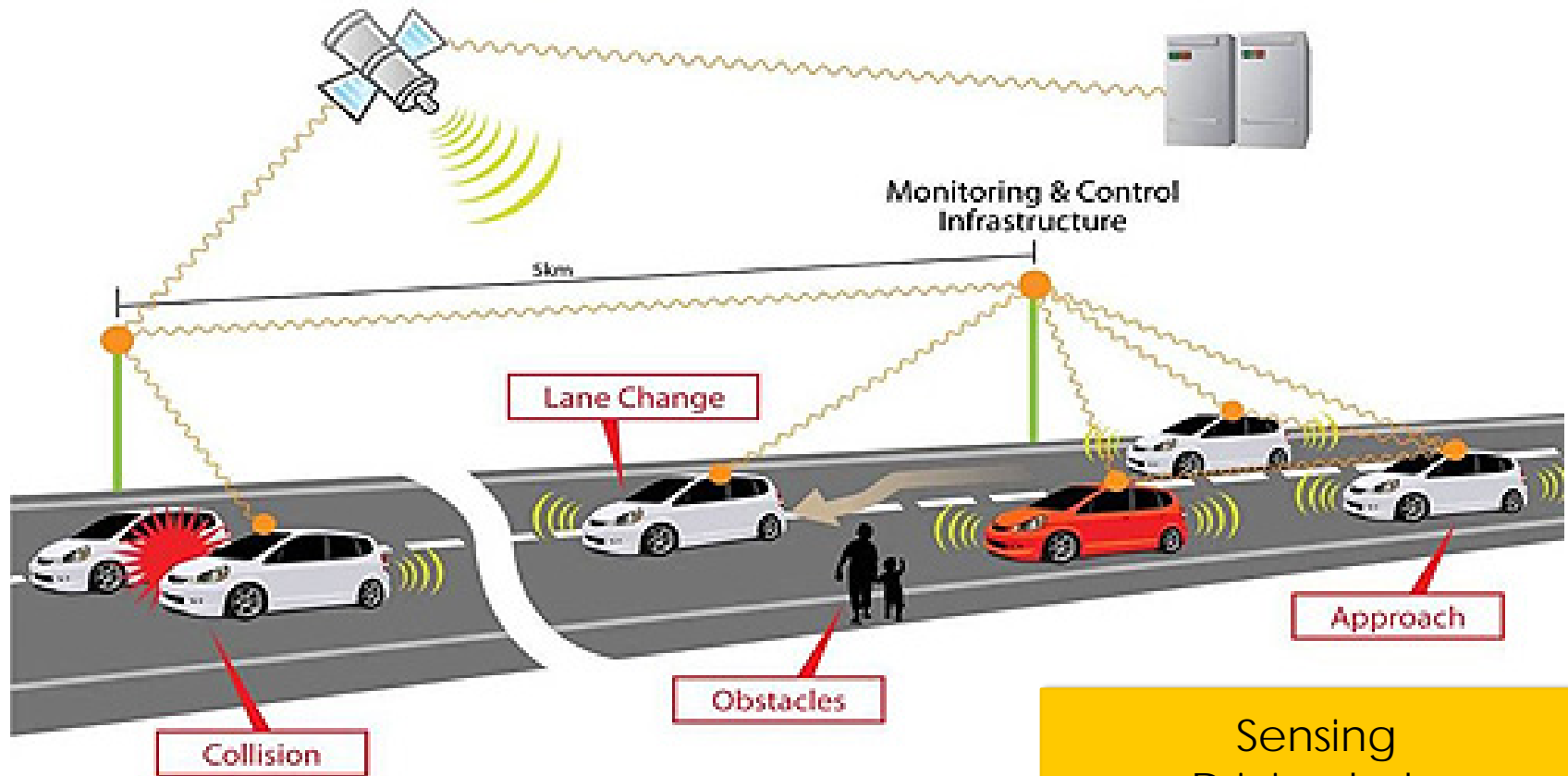
# Smart parking

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# Smart car



Sensing  
Driving help  
Route monitoring  
Entertainment

# Health Care - examples

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## **Health care is typically an horizontal domain**

need the collaboration of all domains

\$35      the global IoT healthcare market is expected to grow from billions in 2015 to \$160 billions in 2020

## **Examples**

Fall detections (home, office, streets)

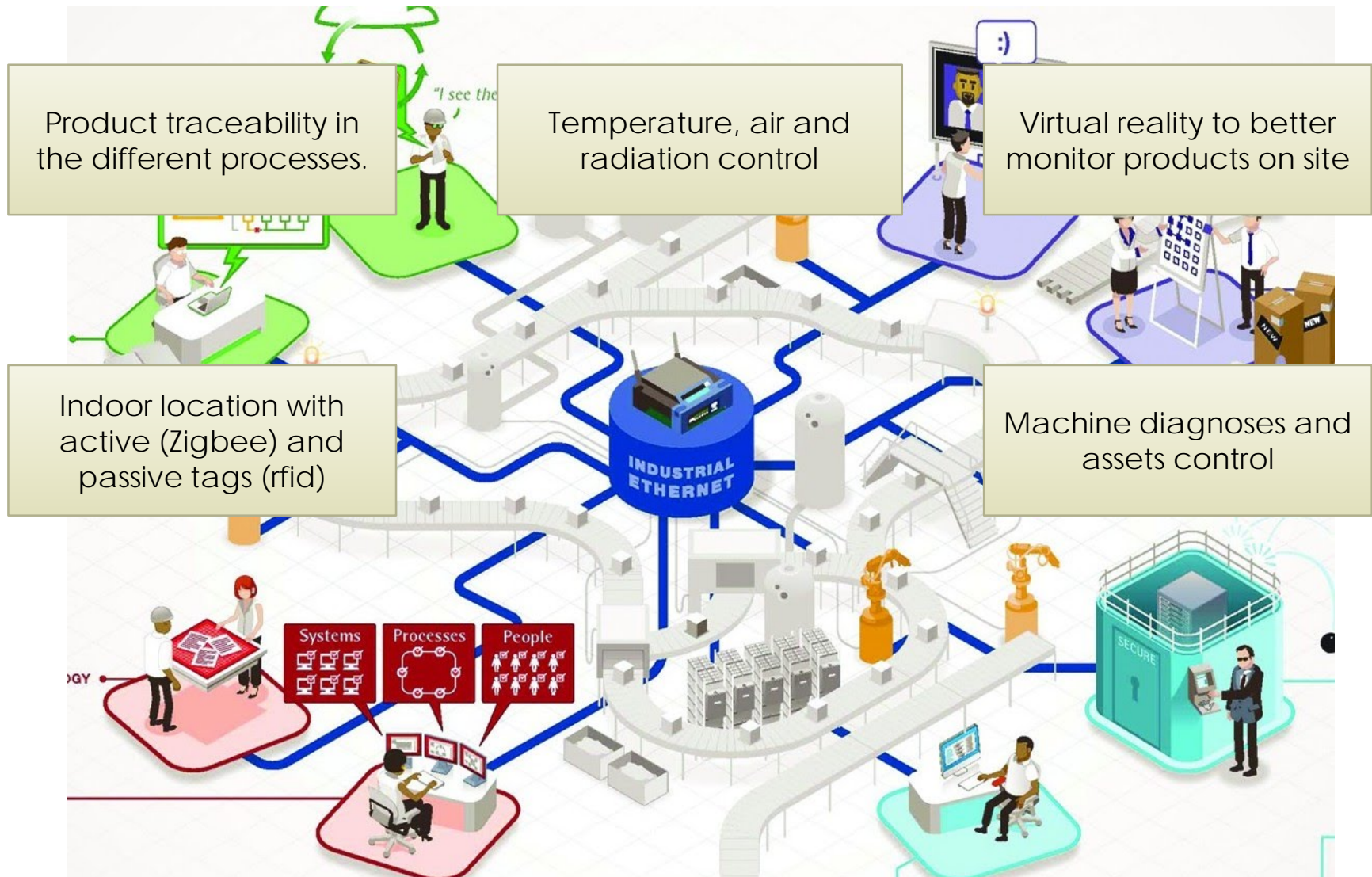
Medical fridge for storing vaccines, medicine, organic elt

Sportsmen care

Patient surveillance

Ultraviolet radiations (to warn people in certain hours)

# Smart plant (Industry 4.0)



# Smart agriculture

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GPS controlled tractors, optimize route, save fuel and reduce erosion

Drones survey the fields, the weeds, yield and soil variation. Better planning of treatments.

Collected data can be used to avoid frequent farm inspection.

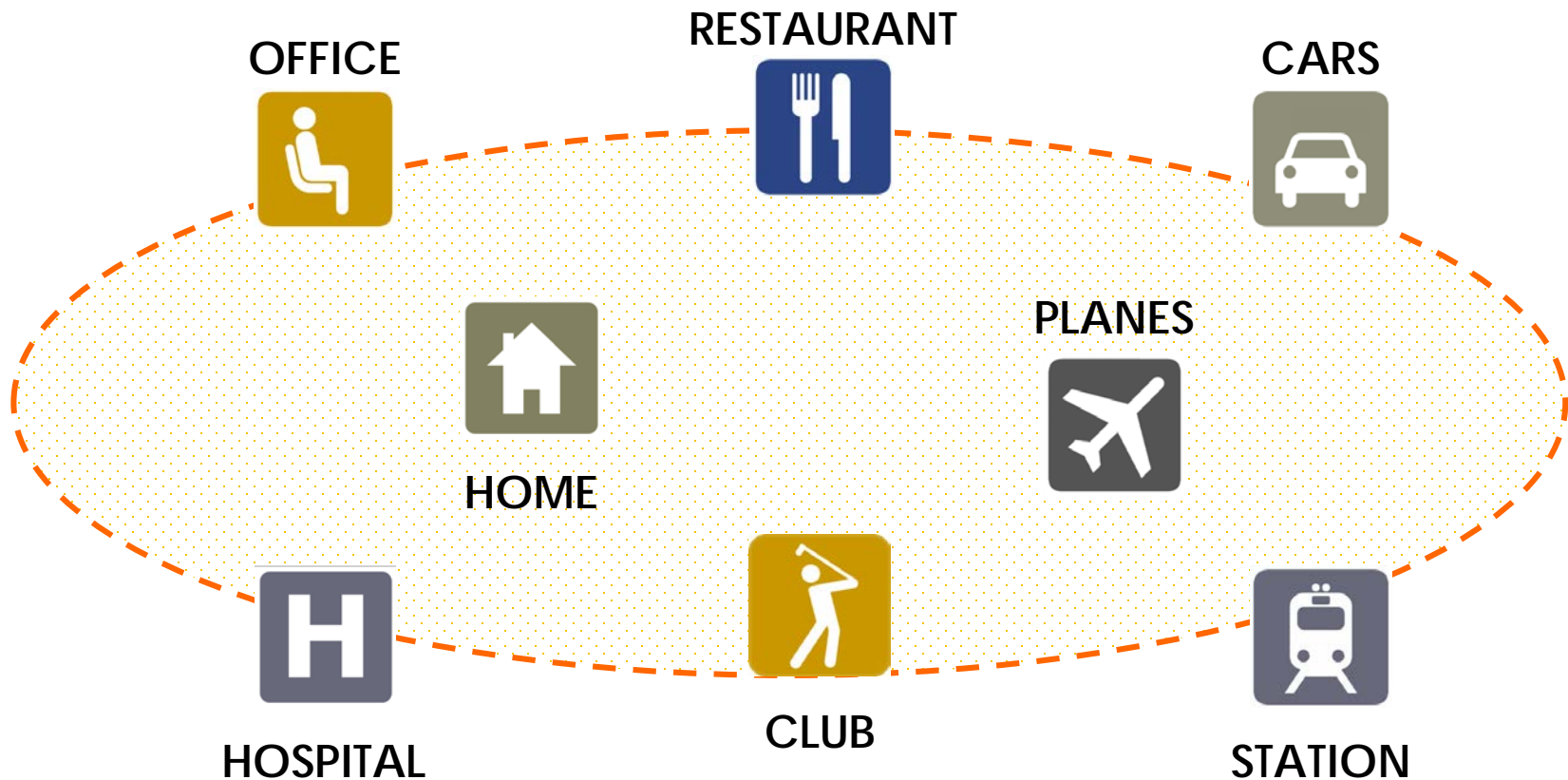
Fleets of agriBOTS tend to crops, weeding, fertilizing, harvesting. Capable of micro application of fertilizer.

Sensors attached to livestock for monitoring of animal health and well being. Alerts can be sent to farmers when something goes wrong.



# Longer term: smart spaces integration

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## **Pervasive computing has the potential to**

improving the quality of life

improving business process

empowering personalization of services

## **The IoT market is expanding rapidly in many domains**

home and buildings

city

infrastructure

industry

health

entertainment



# Industrial impacts

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## **Restructuration and alliances**

creation of IoT divisions in most IT and electronics companies  
great strategic alliances to develop services

IBM and Apple

IBM and AT&T

IBM and ARM

Apple and CISCO

## **Huge investments. In 2017:**

Samsung invests \$16 billions in chips manufacturing

Bosch invests \$1 billion in a chips plant (Dresden)

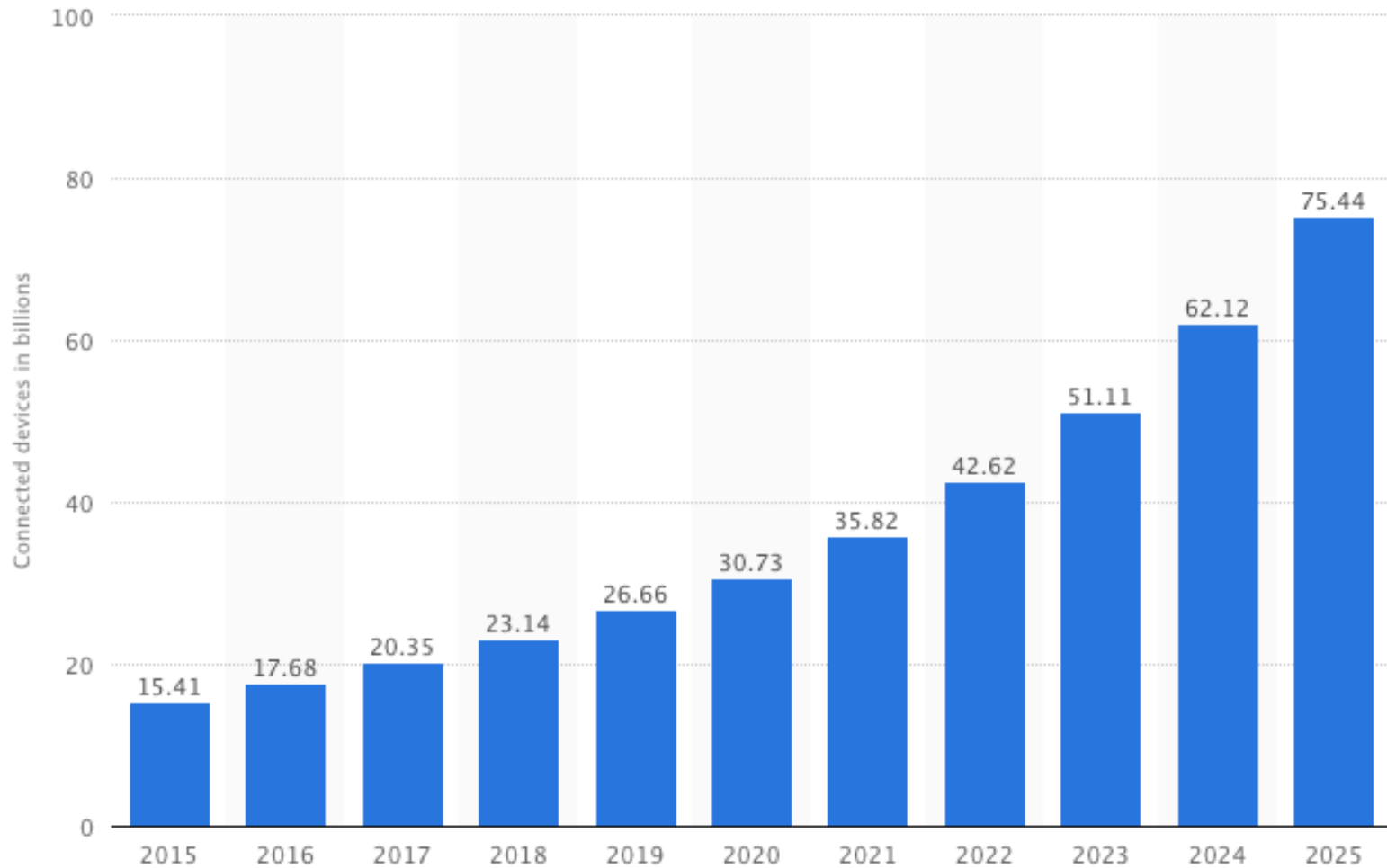
Tsinghua Unigroup invests \$28 billions in a new plant

Intel invests \$7 billions in its Arizona plant



# Number of connected devices (billions)

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# Wearable – market Trends

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## Wearable market trends by category (Millions)

	2013	2014	2015
Wearable cameras	6,6	13,6	15,8
Smart glasses	0,01	2,2	10,5
Smart watches	1,2	7,4	25
Healthcare	13,5	22,6	34,2
Activity trackers	32,5	42,6	57,5
Smart clothing	0,03	0,7	1,2

# Sociological brakes

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## **What are some of the barrier of developing pervasive**

Lack of perceived value	36%
Concern with price	23%
Concern with privacy	23%
Others	18%

# Technical brakes

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**Many technological elements are there (CPU, size reduction, cheap mass storage, sensors, etc.)**

**Scientific progress are however still needed**

architecture understanding and evaluation

context-awareness

natural interfaces

autonomic behavior

# SERVICE!

