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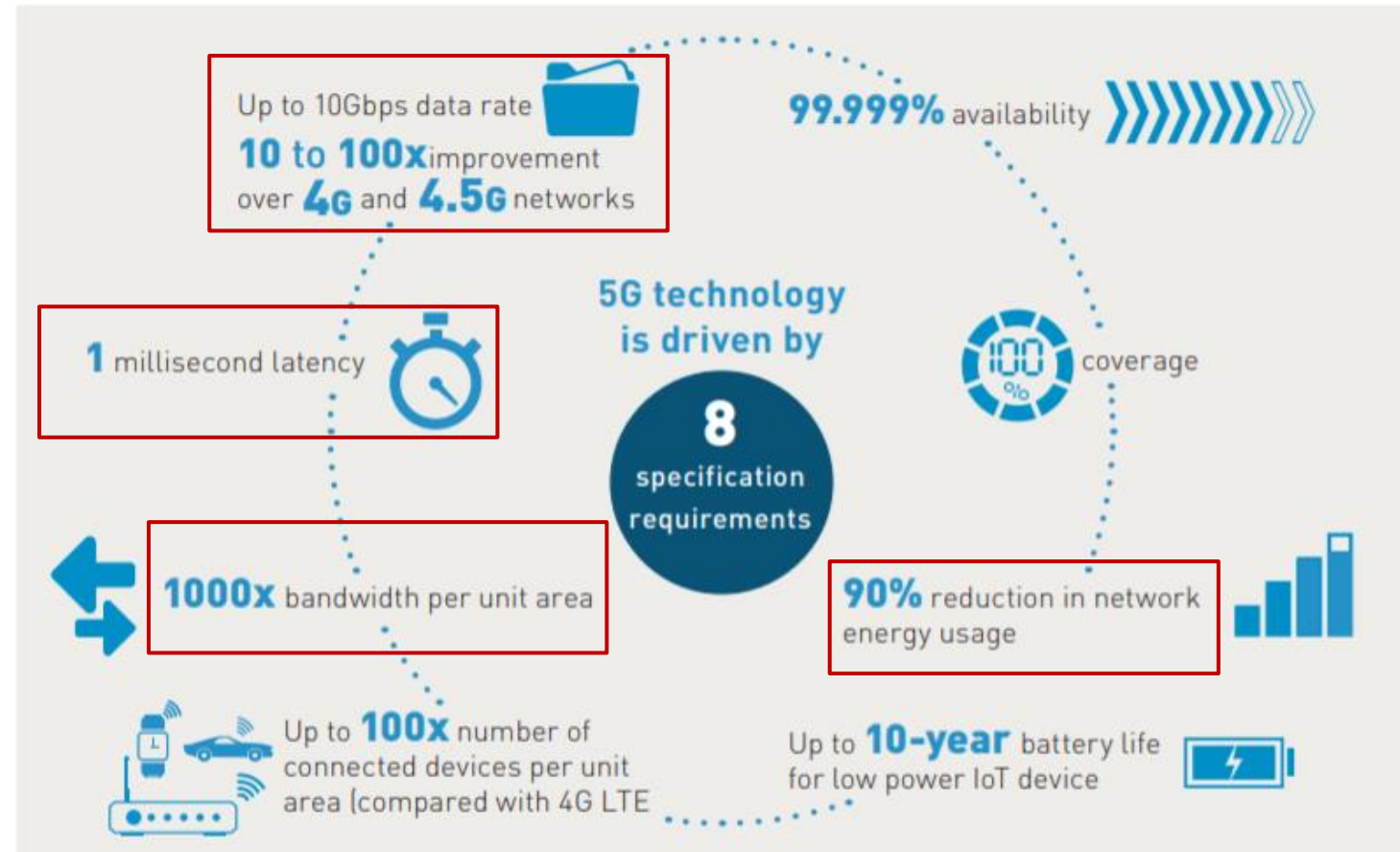
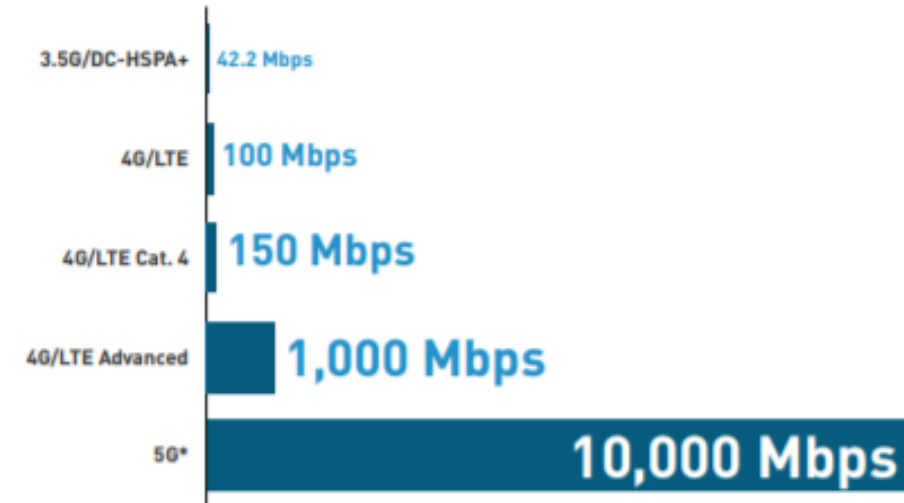


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# Requirements for 5G deployment

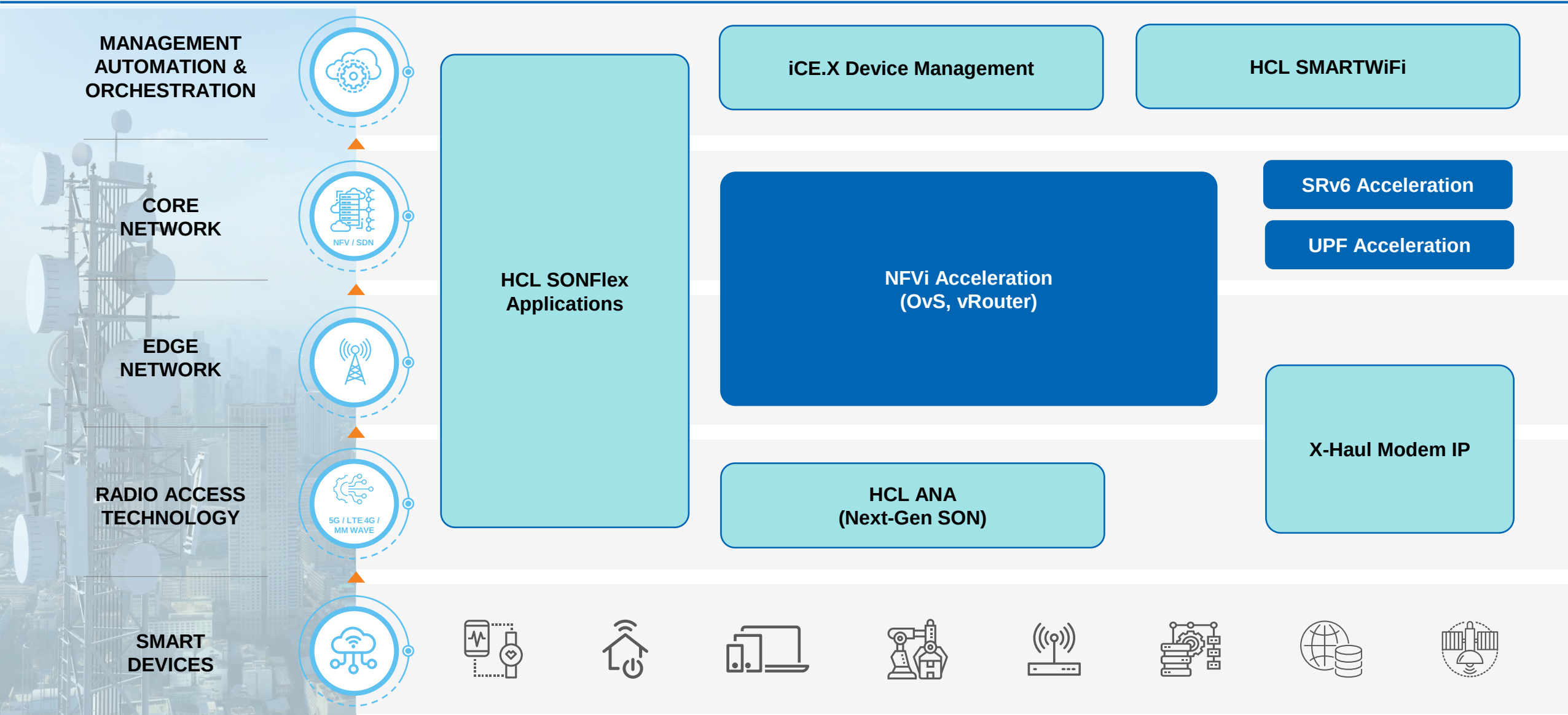
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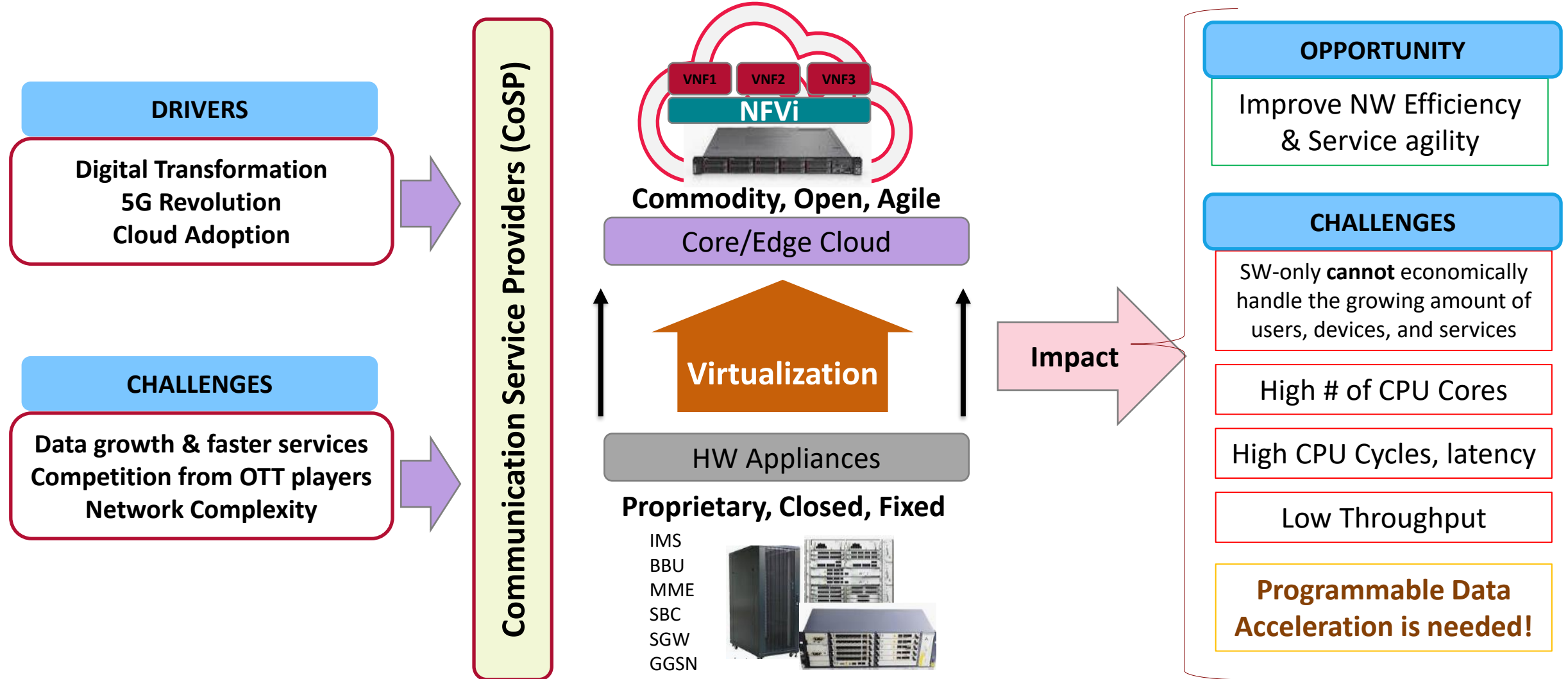
Acceleration is key

Source: <https://www.gemalto.com/brochures-site/download-site/Documents/tel-5G-networks-QandA.pdf>

# HCL Industry Software Division enabling Telecom companies with...



# Need for NFVi acceleration



# HCL NFV Acceleration Software Portfolio

Offload processor  
intensive network  
related workloads  
to Intel **SmartNIC**

HCL Products (Software)



Technology & GTM Partner



SRv6 Acceleration

OvS Acceleration

vRouter Acceleration

UPF Acceleration

Deliver services faster, with lower TCO 4X – 8X Return On Investment



# Broad Infrastructure Acceleration Portfolio

## Dedicated ASIC Intel® Infrastructure Processing Unit (Intel® IPU)

Performance and power optimized

Optimized secure networking and storage pipeline



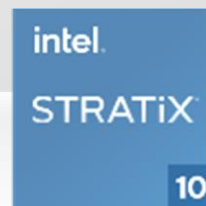
## FPGA-based Acceleration

### IPU Platforms & Adapters

Faster time to market for evolving standards

Re-programmable Secure Datapath enables flexible/customizable workload offload (future proof)

Onboard Intel® Xeon® processor



### Intel® SmartNICs

Programmable accelerated infrastructure workloads with customizable packet processing

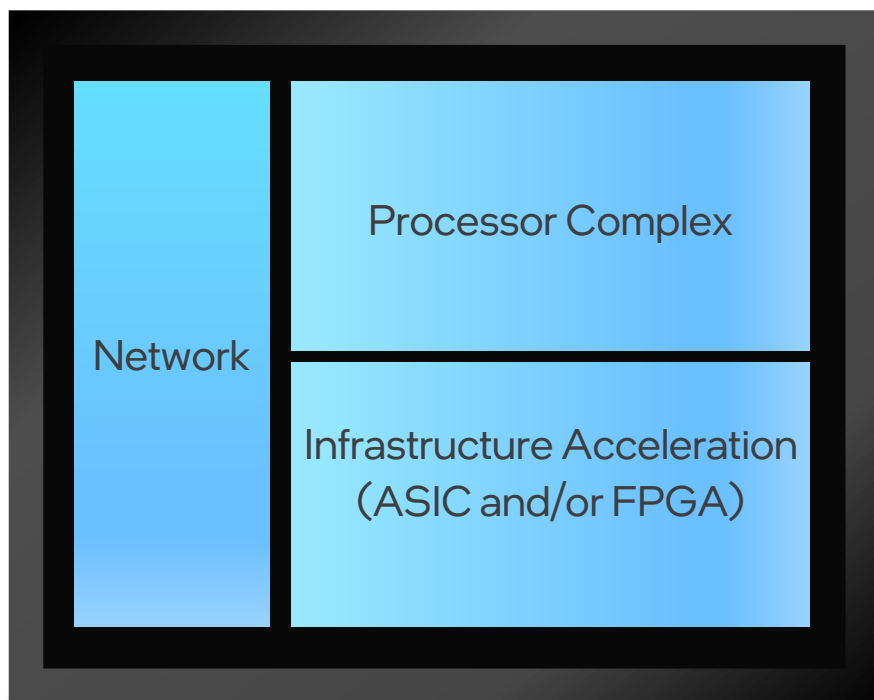
Intel® Ethernet NIC with DPDK support





# Intel® Infrastructure Processing Unit (Intel® IPU)

Providing new data center value



Highly intelligent **infrastructure acceleration**

System-level **security, control, and isolation**

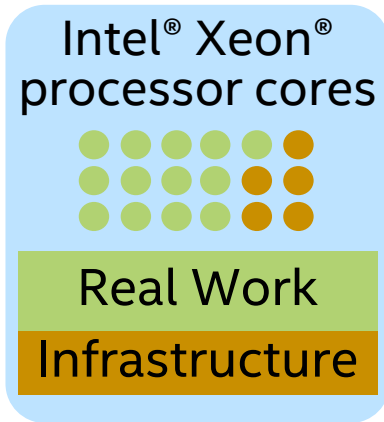
**Common** software frameworks

HW and SW **programmable**, built to customer needs

# Why Customers Want Intel® IPU / Intel® SmartNICs to Accelerate Infrastructure Workloads

## Infrastructure Acceleration

Lower Server Overhead



IPUs Reduce Compute Cycles Doing Infrastructure Work<sup>1</sup>

## Performance

Higher Throughput and Lower Latency



IPUs Can Provide Better Performance/Watt than Host-based Apps<sup>1</sup>

## Feature Velocity

Customizations at the Speed of Software

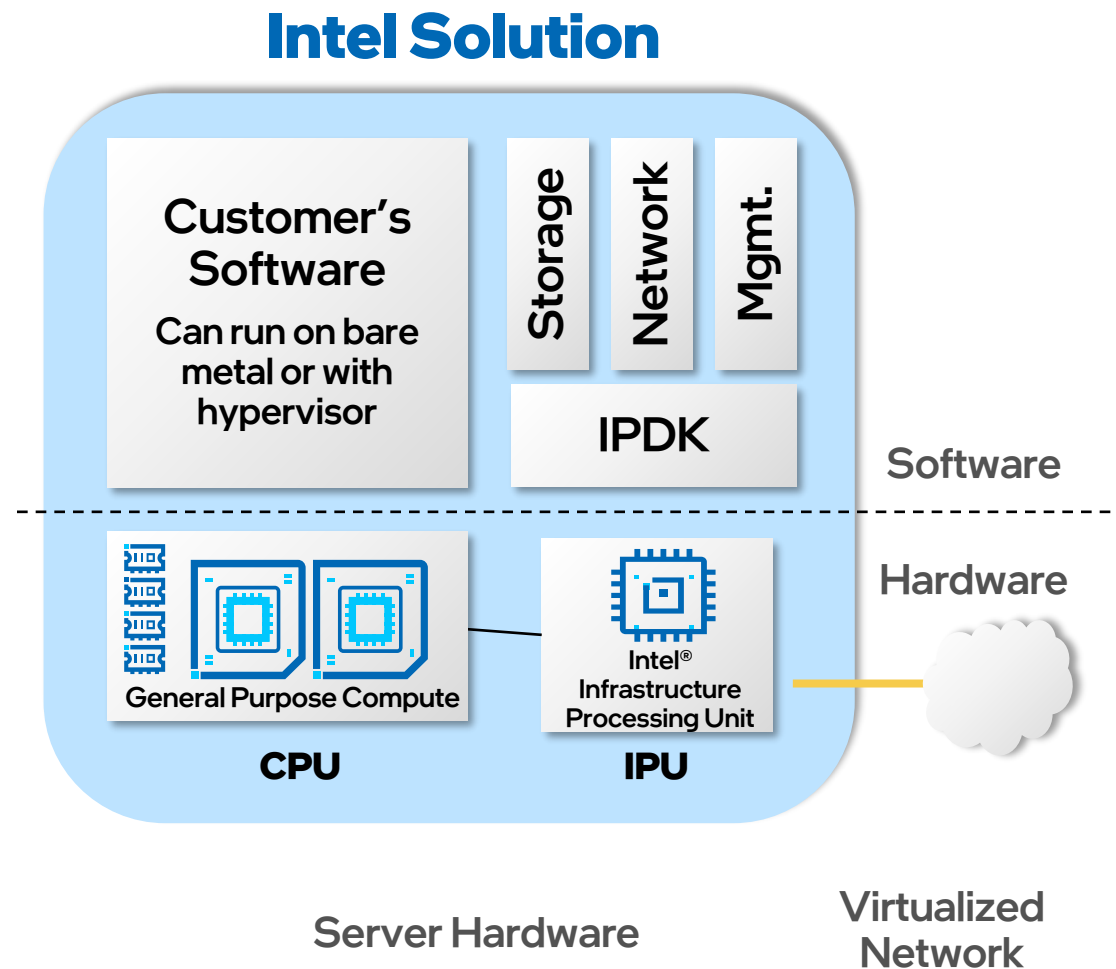


IPUs Provide Reconfigurability and Programmability

<sup>1</sup> - Source: Research from Google and Facebook has shown 22% to 80% of CPU cycles can be consumed by microservices communication overhead  
<https://www.intel.com/content/www/us/en/newsroom/news/infrastructure-processing-unit-data-center.html>  
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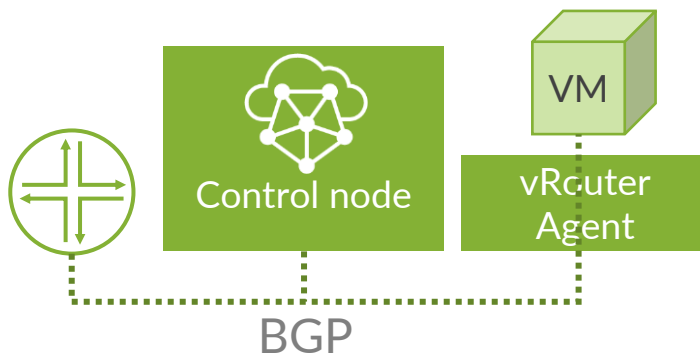
# Overview

- Intel is leading the IPU market today with customers deploying at scale in the Cloud and CoSP markets
- Intel offers tailored products to meet Cloud and Networking focused on specific workloads
- Support for a wide range of use cases and datacenter utilization



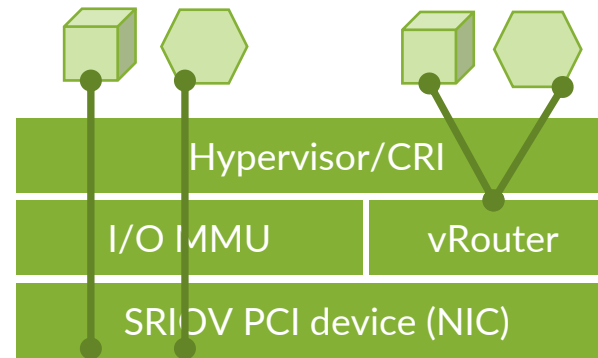
# Telco Cloud 4G / 5G

## BGPaaS



- Many telco VNFs are BGP speakers (e.g. 450 subinterfaces attached to a P-EGW instance)
- BGP speaker gets peered to Contrail controller/external peers to advertise routes
- vRouter agent accepts BGP connections from the VMs and proxy them to the control node

## SRIOV



- SRIOV workloads can co-reside on the same server
- Multus+ Intel SRIOV plug-in in Kubernetes supports running with Contrail CNI

## Smart NIC



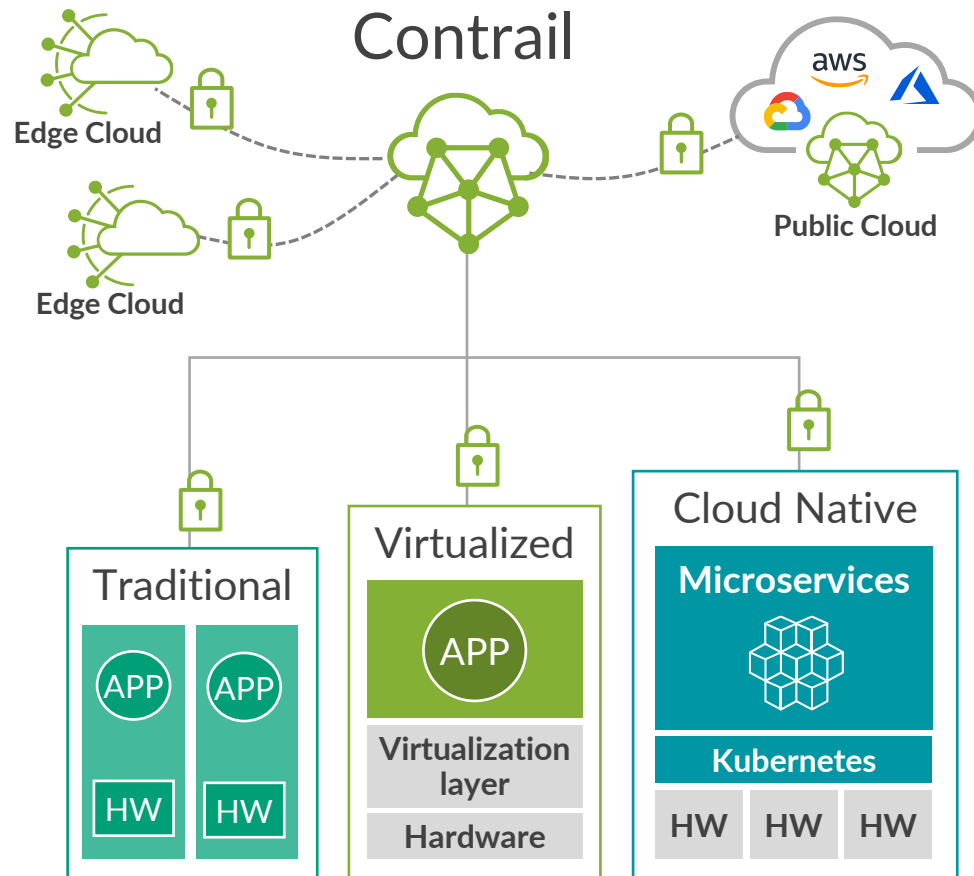
- vRouter data plane offload support on
  - Intel – Full offload

## Also frequently in use:

- Advanced networking (MAC learning, customer RTs, fat flows...)
- Service chaining
- DPDK data plane tested to 100Gbps

# Contrail Networking's open, cloud native architecture

Investment protection, flexibility, agility, and greater economies of scale



## Investment protection

Modernized, Kubernetes-Native to migrate to cloud native at your own pace  
Support legacy and virtual processes, services, and systems

## High performance, service assured

Support demanding telco services and applications  
DPDK and SmartNIC vRouter for high throughput, low-latency, telco-scale

## Application-driven security

SDN-automated, dynamic policy to secure and protect ephemeral workloads  
Common security policies across OpenStack and Kubernetes

## Operational scale

Remote Compute and multi-cluster management to simplify and economize  
HW acceleration to preserve expensive CPUs for revenue generating apps



Contrail - Industry leading SDN solution.

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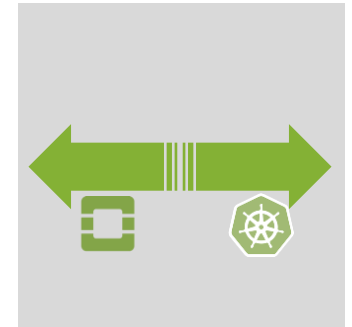
# WHAT MAKES CONTRAIL UNIQUE



Advanced Networking



Application Based  
Network Policy



Spans VMs & Containers



Multi-cluster Connectivity



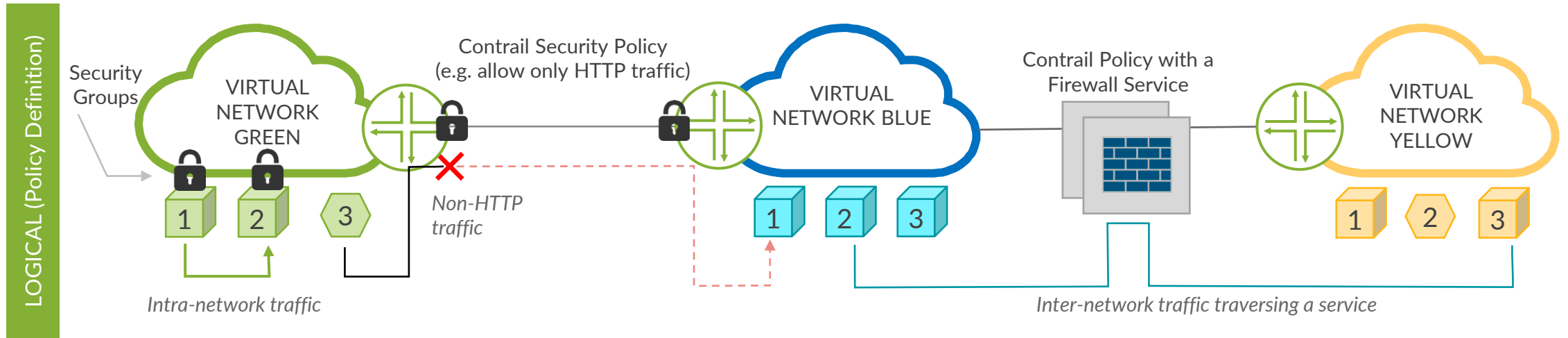
Extends K8s Native Tools



Automate and Validate

Contrail implements and extends Cloud Networking

# MULTI-POINT SECURITY POLICY ENFORCEMENT



## Policies

Allow / deny traffic between workloads

*using Contrail Security policy applied in the vRouter*

## NG-Firewalling

Apply cSRX/vSRX NG-FW between workloads

*using Contrail Security host-based firewalling*

## Service Chains

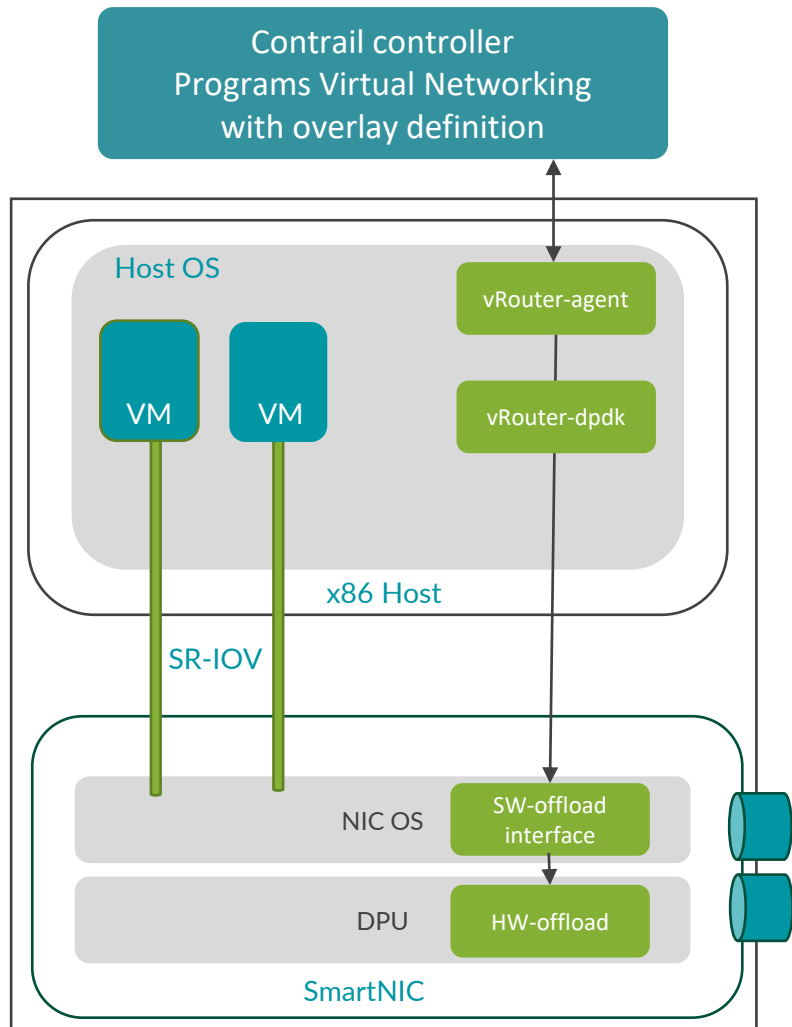
Direct traffic through a service chain, including arbitrary firewalls

*using Contrail Networking service chaining policies*

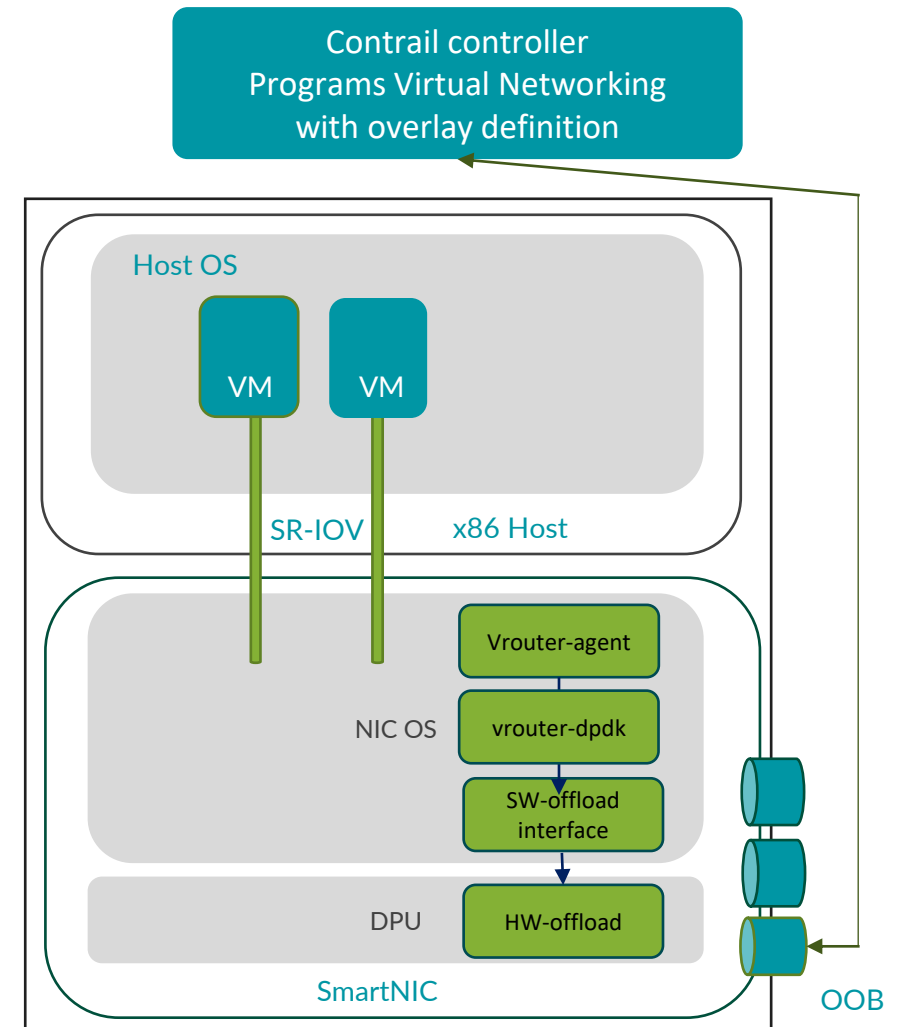


# vRouter Offload Models

## Today – Partial SmartNIC offload

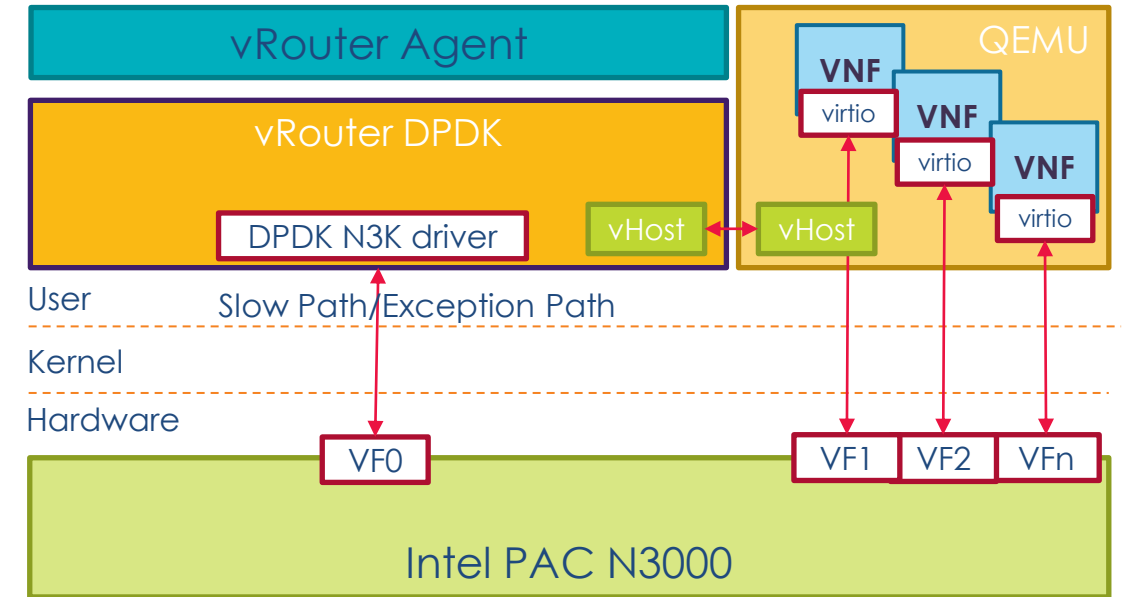


## Future – Full SmartNIC offload



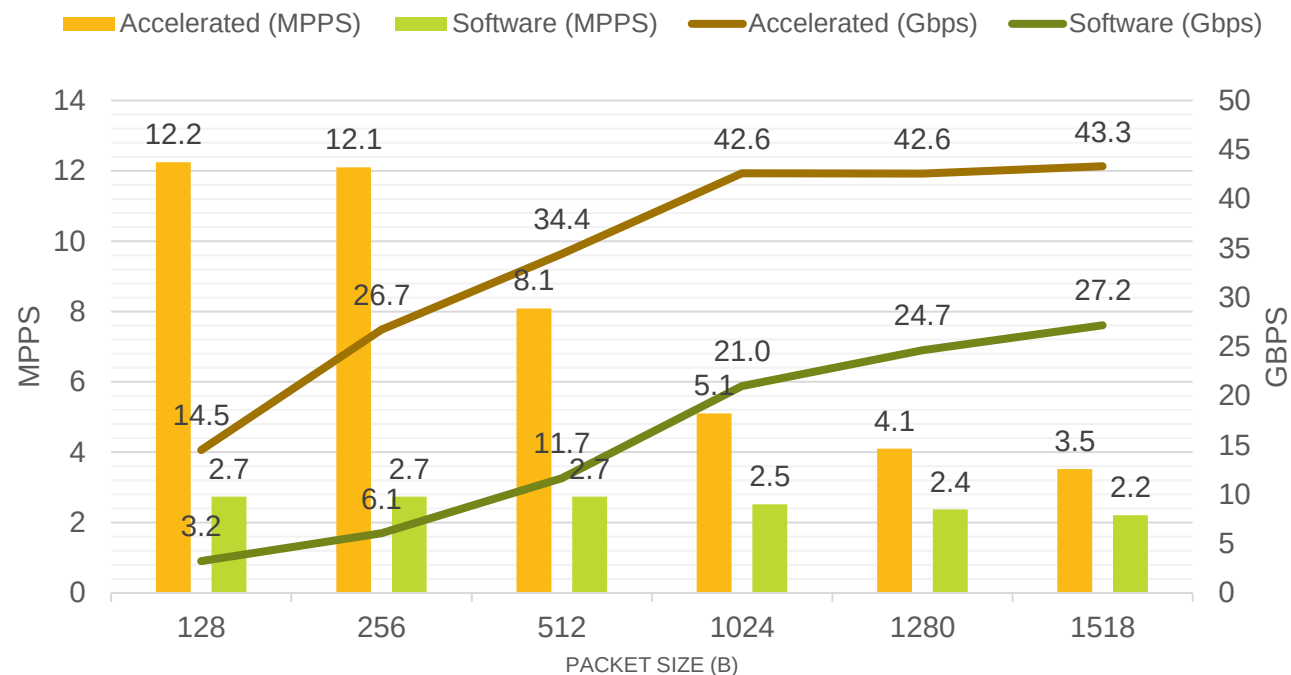
# HCL TF vRouter Offload Architecture based on Intel PAC N3000

| Key Features      | Details                                                                            |
|-------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Fast Path offload | Slow path is still in Host CPU                                                     |
| Overlay           | IPv4 VxLAN and MPLS over UDP (L2/L3) supported                                     |
| Underlay          | IPv4/IPv6 and VLAN support                                                         |
| LAG/LACP          | Static and Dynamic Link aggregation                                                |
| NAT               | Network Address Translation for source and destination addresses                   |
| Mirroring         | A flow can be mirrored to a different destination                                  |
| Multiqueue        | Each VF can support up to 16 queues                                                |
| PCI Passthrough   | VFs exposed by N3000 are connected directly to VMs as virtio                       |
| vDPA              | Control path can be delegated to a software application (it allows Live Migration) |



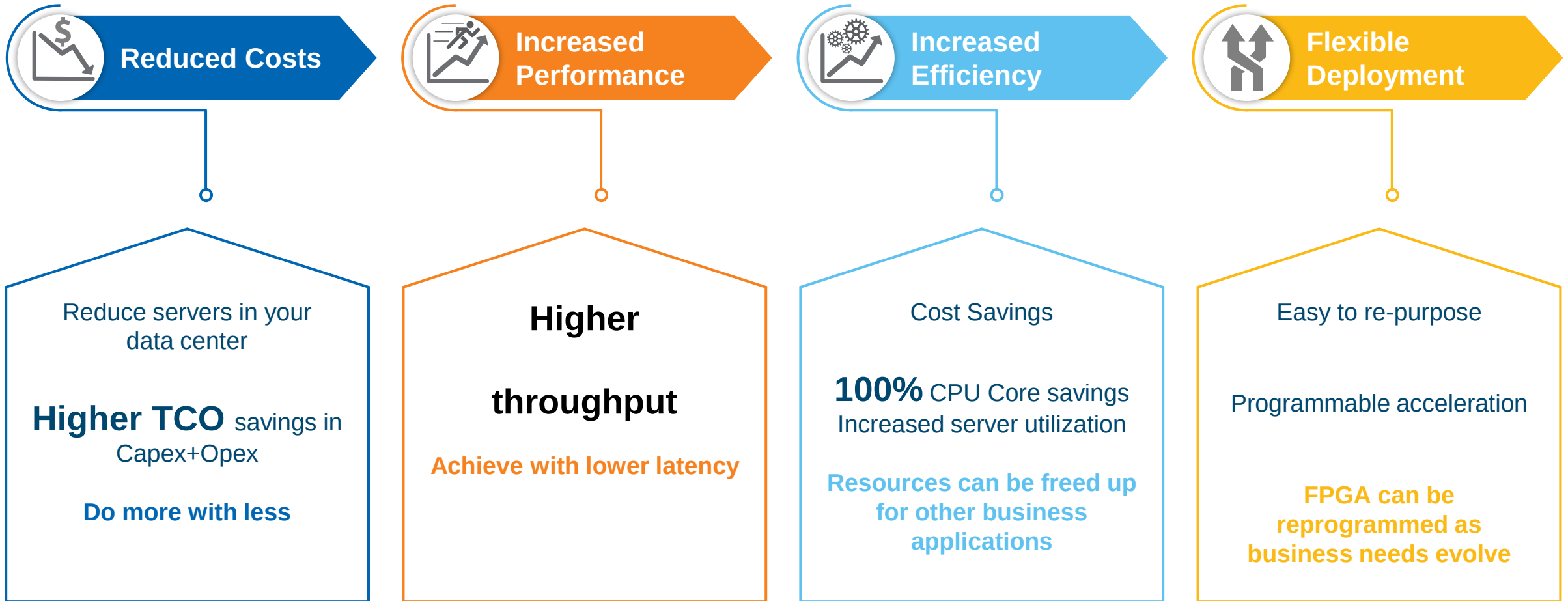
# Value proposition of HCL TF vRouter Acceleration Solution

- **100% core savings** for fast path ( No cores used for fast path )
- Up to **x6 times increase in throughput** for smaller packets
- Up to **x5 times lower latency** than software
- Up to **100% line rate** for higher packet size
- Support for **Openstack based orchestration**
- Drivers readily available at TF community



Results based on MPLSoUDP(L3) for 50G LAG with loss< 0.001%

# Summary and Call to Action



**.....HCL and Intel technologies accelerate deployments of FPGA-based SmartNIC for NFVi**  
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