



Workshop on

Standards-driven Research @ NCC 2024

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Demonstrating the Utility of **Tools** for Standards-driven Research

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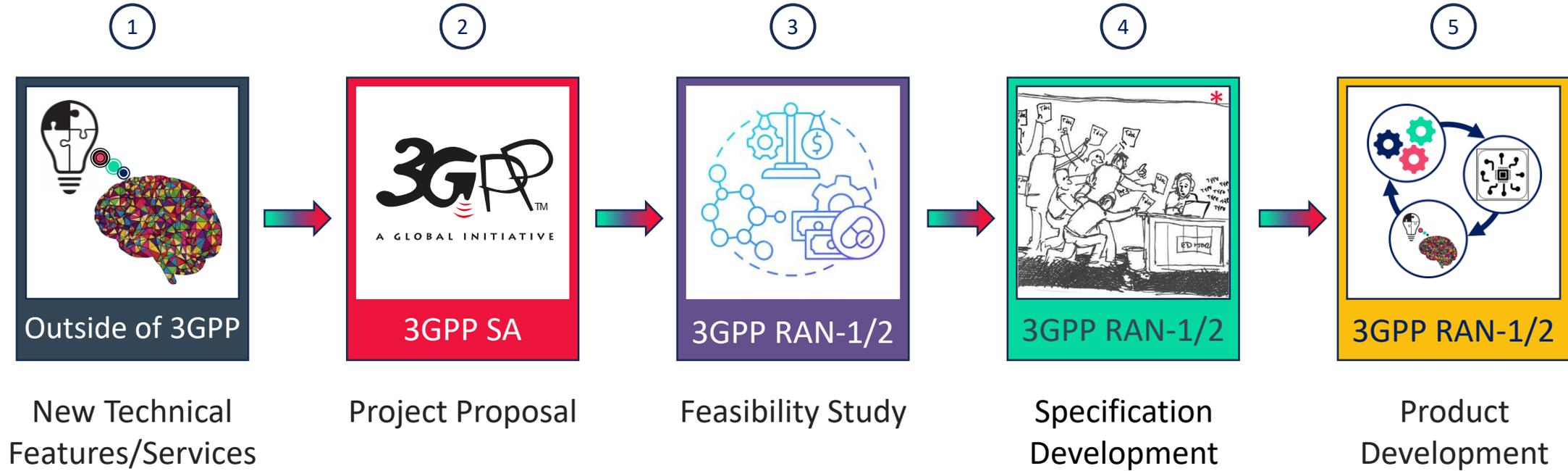


- How are standards developed in 3GPP?
- Role of simulations in standards development?
 - Why simulations are important?
 - Role of simulations in the development of standards
 - Type of simulations
- Case-study: Standards Driven Research



Standards Development in 3GPP

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New Technical
Features/Services

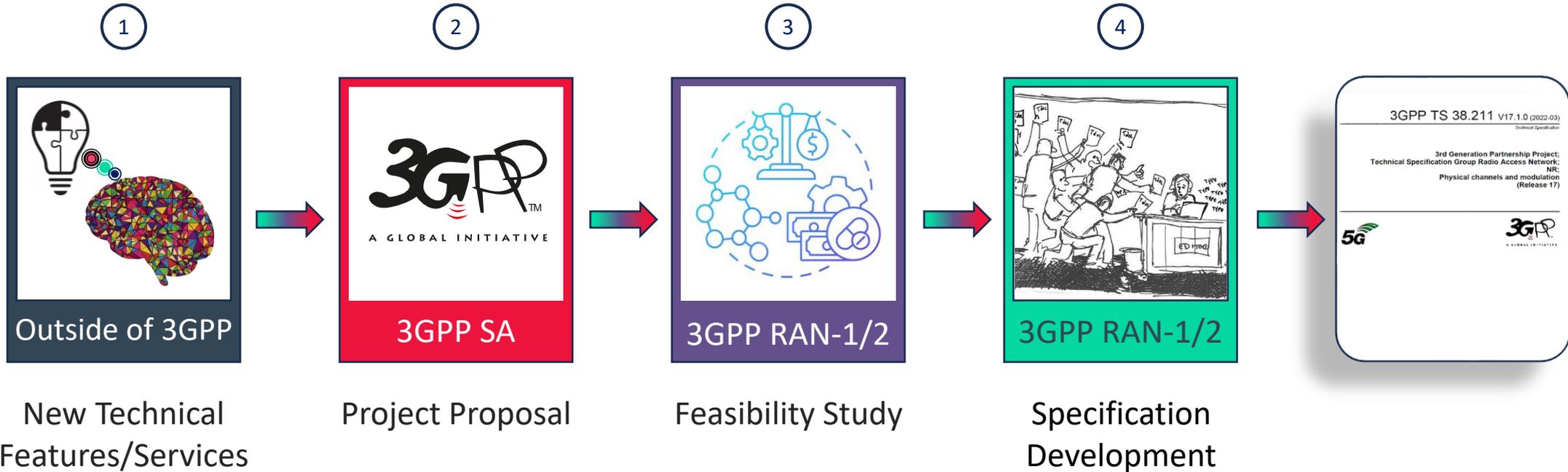
Project Proposal

Identify and define problems	Design initial PoC and R&D	Submit proposal to 3GPP
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All new features are discussed	Features supported by ≥ 4 members are discussed	Target use-cases for the features are discussed	Specifications are discussed over multiple meetings	TSG plenary approves new work activity	Shortlist work activities for study items
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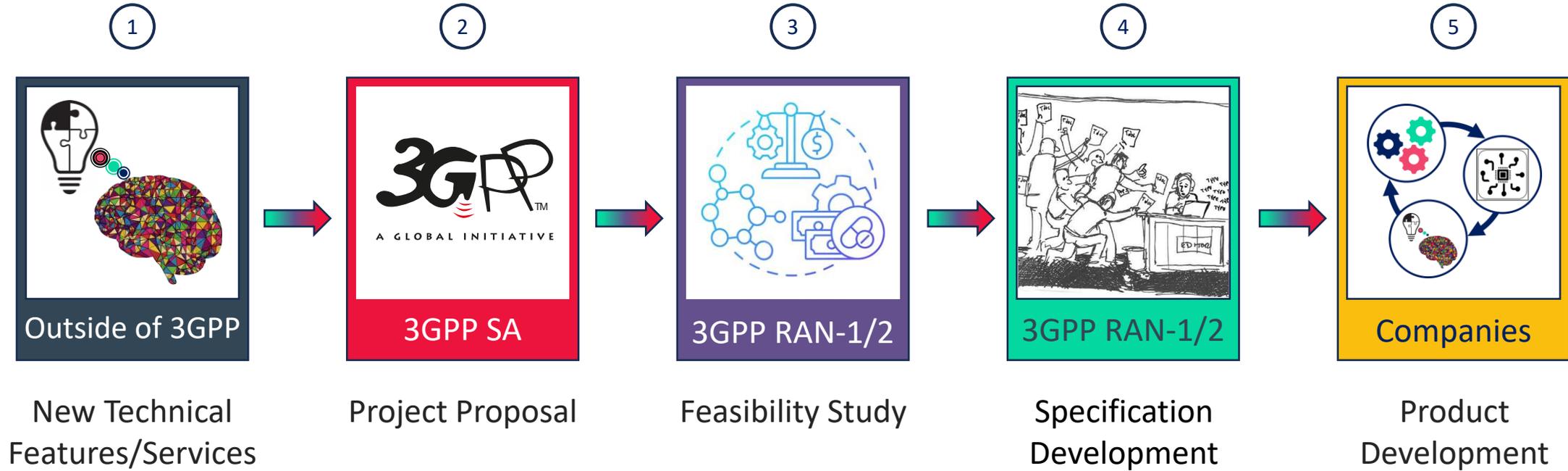


Member propose solutions via Tdocs (contributions)	Builds consensus on <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Evaluation methodologies Final KPIs 	Members submit evaluations and calibrations results	Final TR is approved based on consensus for Work Item Phase.
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New Tdocs are submitted to propose solutions	Solutions are discussed and agreed by member	Agreed Ideas are captured and executed in the TS.
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Standards Development in 3GPP



Standards Development in 3GPP: Example

Outside of 3GPP

Use case: Ubiquitous Coverage

Technology: Non-terrestrial Networks



3GPP SA

1. Precise applications
2. Detailed KPIs for each application
3. High level architecture



3GPP RAN-1/2

1. Perform Simulations to benchmark the performance with existing 3GPP specs
2. Identified limitation of the current specification and framework
3. Defined NTN channel model, evaluation methodologies and KPIs.



3GPP RAN-1/2

1. Enhancements in HARQ
2. Mobility management for large moving coverage.
3. Delay-Doppler challenges for UL/DL sync.

Requires rigorous simulation contributions



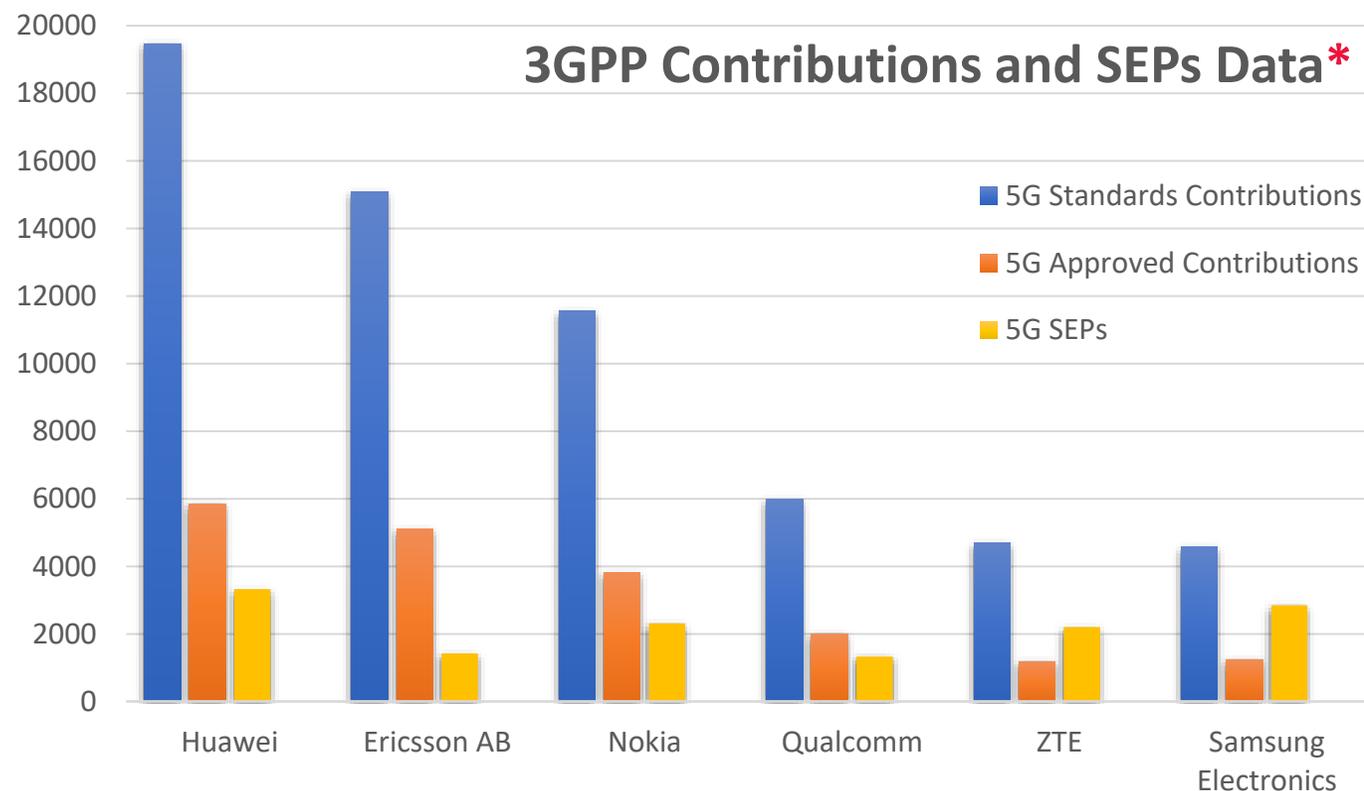
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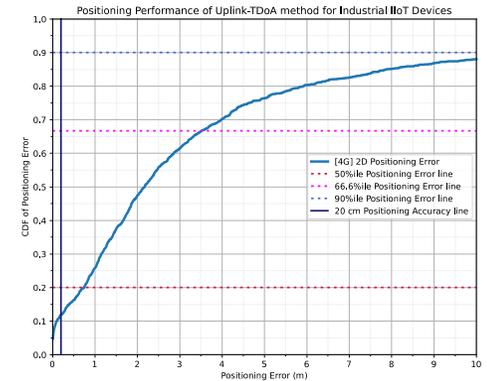
Why simulations contributions matter?





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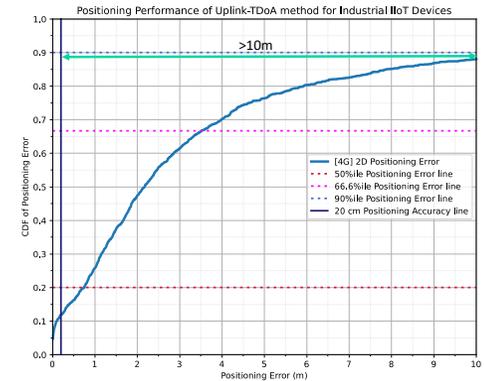
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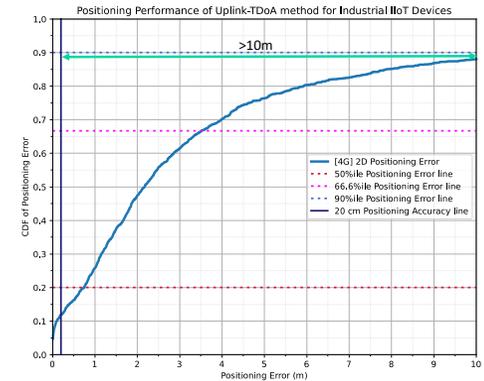
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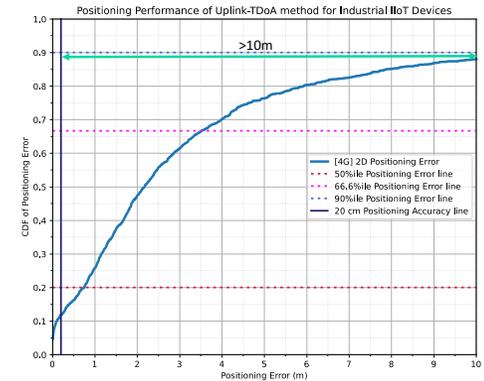
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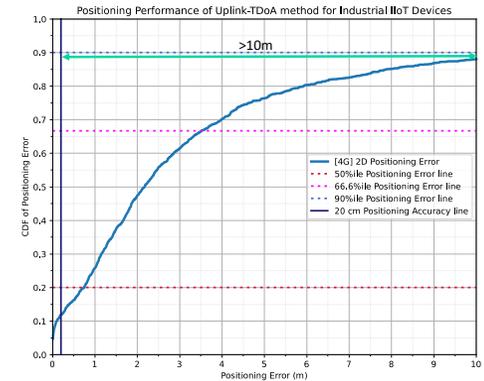
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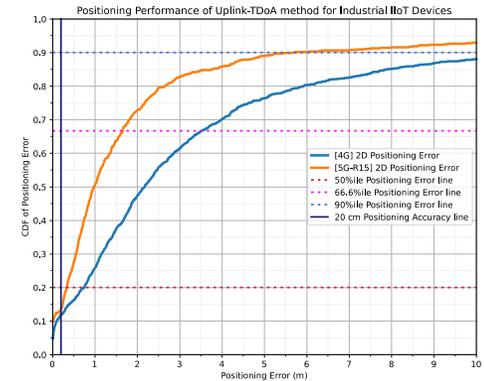
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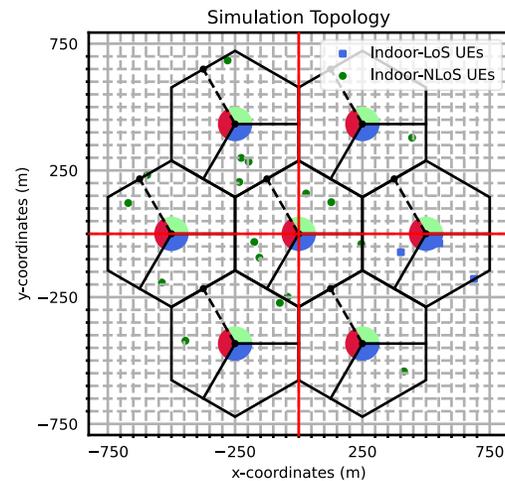
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- **Enhancements:** Performance improvements with proposed solutions.

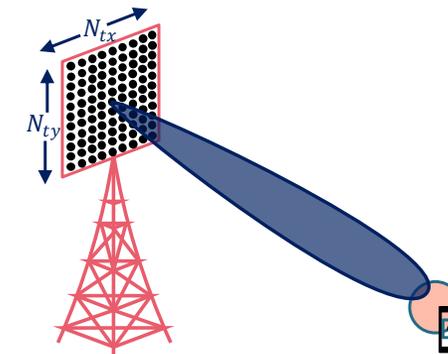


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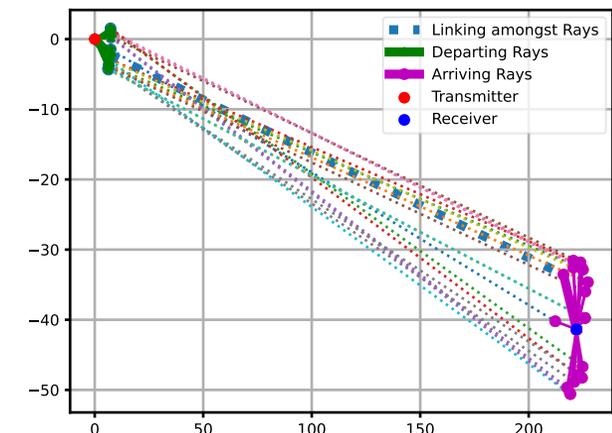


Link level simulation



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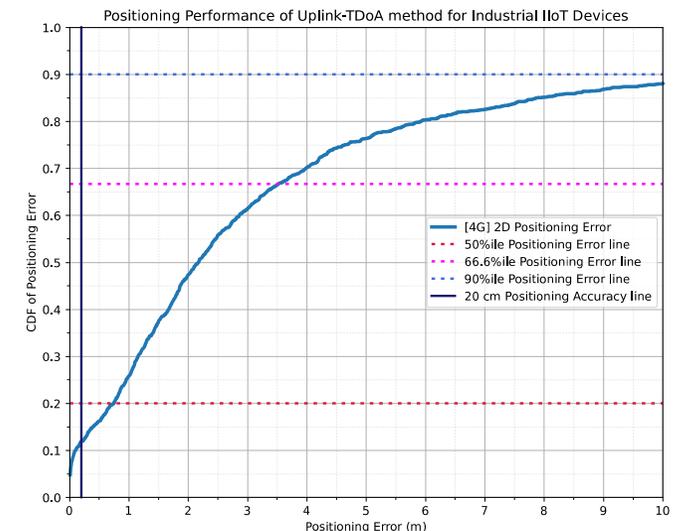
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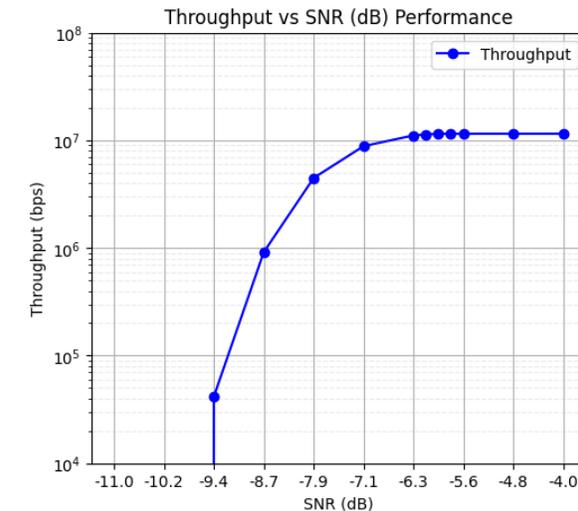
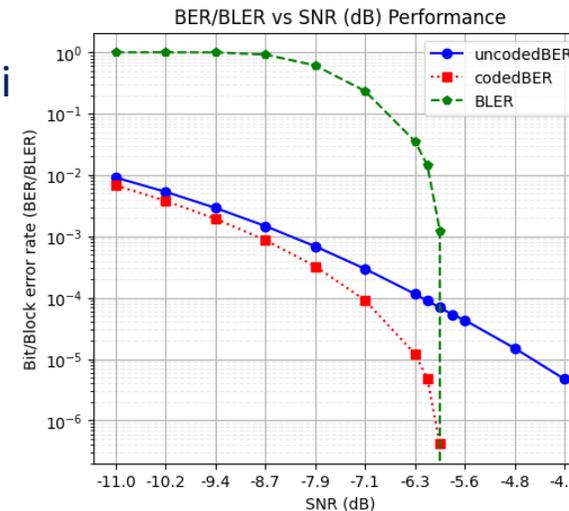
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- Link level simulations
 - For coverage evaluations
 - For link budget analysis.
 - Use: CDL/TDL channel models





What are System Level Simulations?

- Transmitter side
 - 3GPP TS compliant chains
 - Standards compliant algorithms for
 - Scheduling
 - MIMO
- Wireless Channel
 - Calibrated TR 38.901 channels
- Receiver side
 - Standards compliant algorithms
 - Mitigation of hardware impairments
 - Channel estimation and Equalization
 - MIMO
 - Channel decoding + HARQ + Error detection
- Capture Multi-cell + Multi-user aspects



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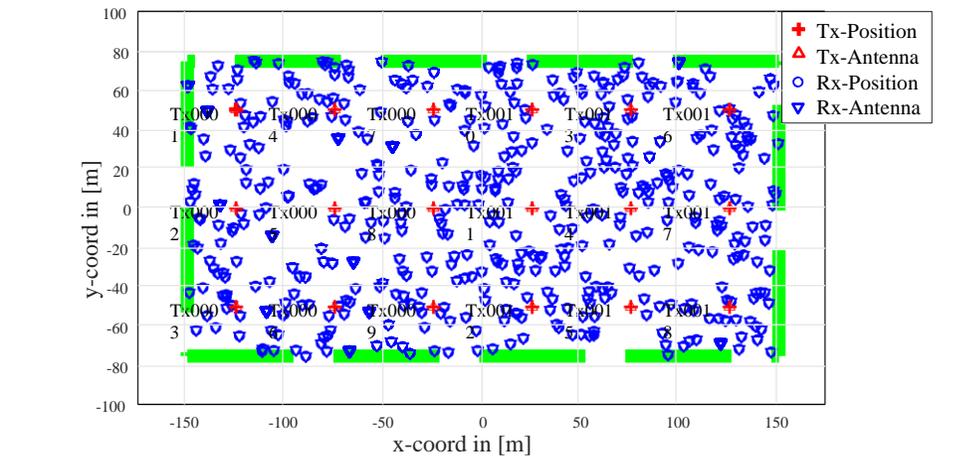
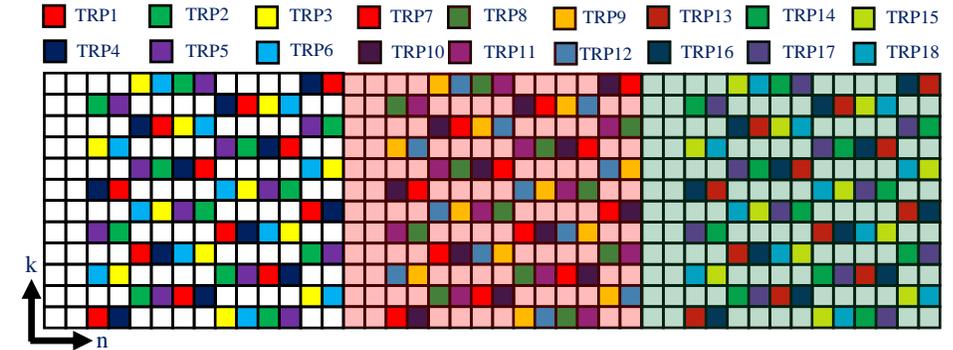
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 - Why?
 - Each link uses different modulation order, code rate, Tx Power, bandwidth etc.
 - Each link has to be run individually.



A Quick Case Study on Positioning in Indoor Factories

Evaluation Methodology

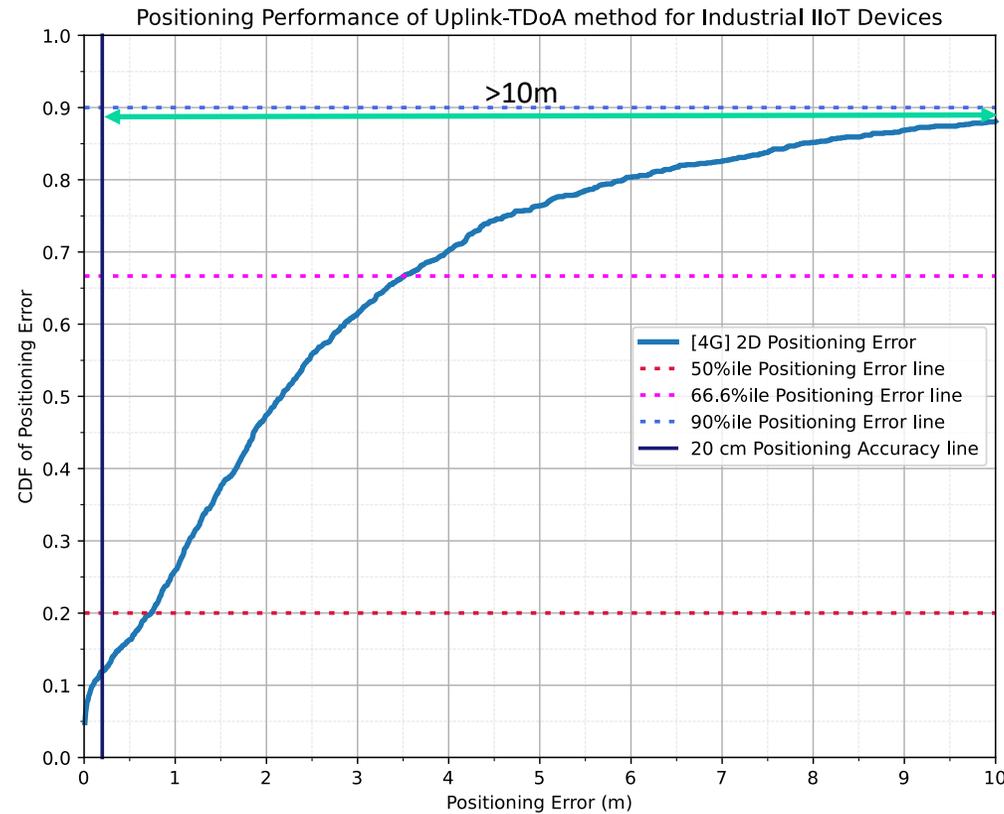
Parameters	Values
Scenario (terrain)	Indoor Factory-Sparse High
Carrier frequency	3.6 GHz
Comb factor	12
Subcarrier spacing	30 kHz
Bandwidth	20/100 MHz
Simulation area	60 m X 120 m
UE dropping	Uniform
Number of UEs	2000
Intersite distance (ISD)	20m
Number of BSs	18
Antenna elements/panel-BS	32 X 4 (1 panel)
Antenna element spacing-BS	$\frac{\lambda}{2}$
Antenna Panel-UE	1 X 1(1 panel)
Antenna elements/panel-UE	--
Tx Power	23 dB
Rx noise figure	7 dB



KPI	Target
2D Positioning Error	<20 cm for 90% of UEs
Vertical Error	<1.5m for 90% of Ues

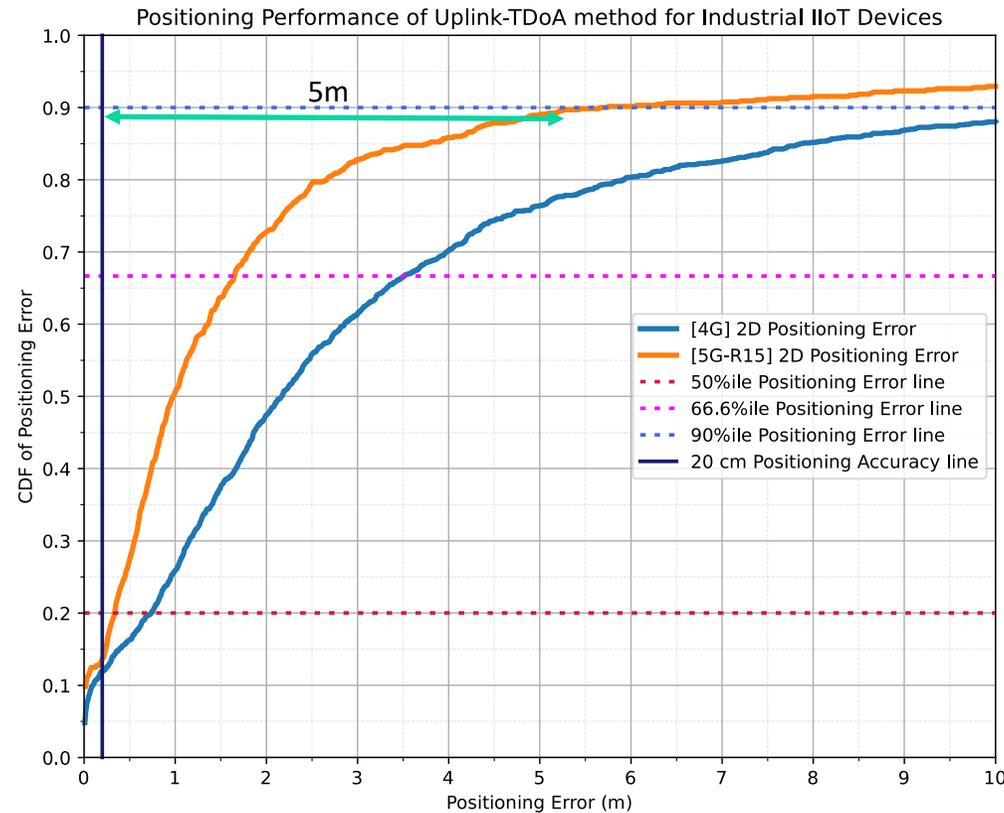


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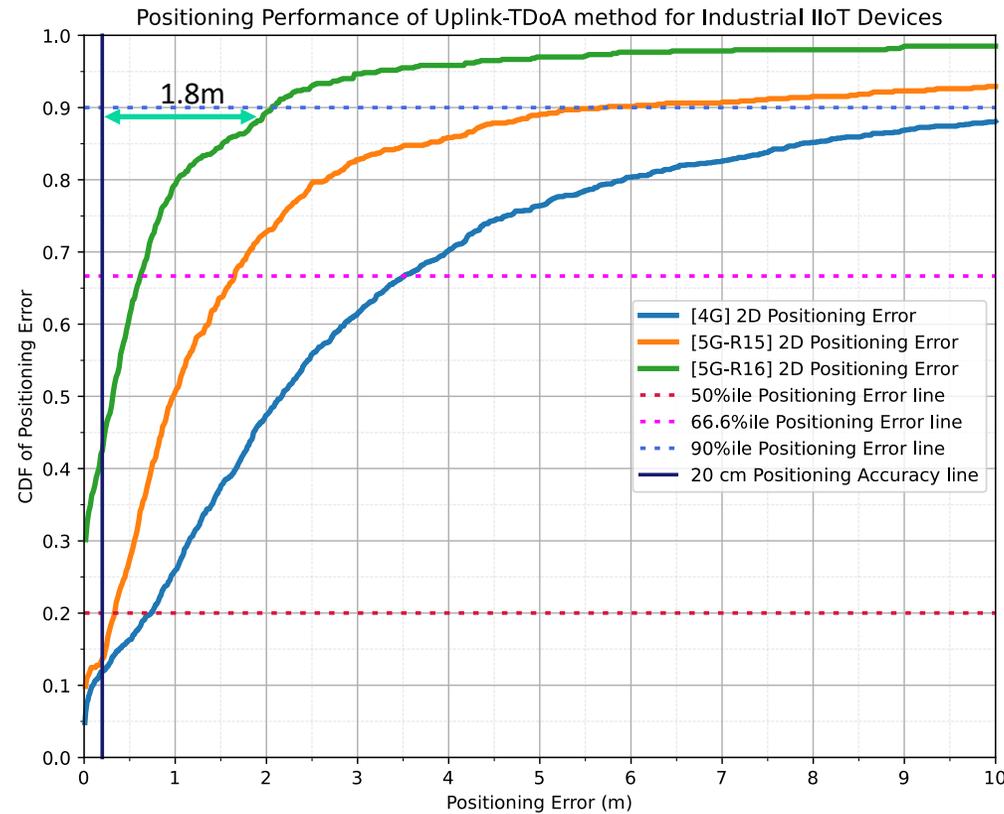


Release-15

- Wider bandwidth
- More number of antennas



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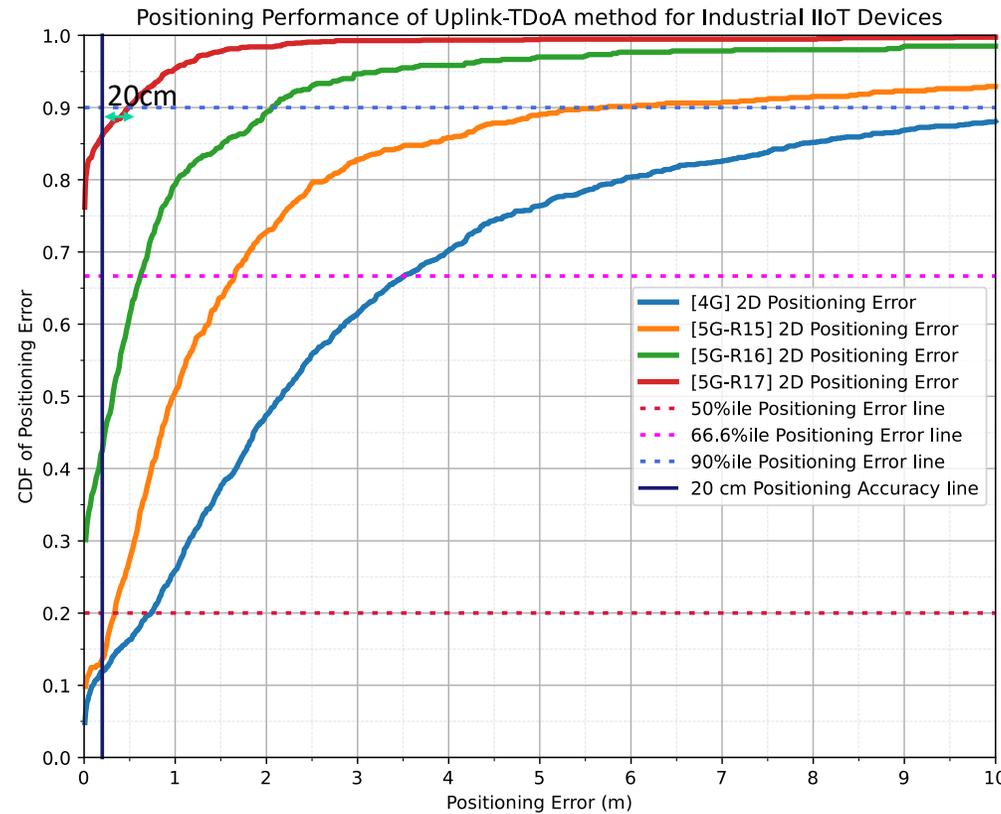


Release-16

- Support for Hybrid Positioning
- New methods



Case Study: Positioning in Indoor Factories



Release-17

- First Arrival Path reporting
- LoS/NLoS Identification



Existing Tools



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Tool	Pros	Cons
MATLAB 5G Toolbox	Easy to use	Slow
	3GPP Standard compliant	Bits and pieces tool
		Slow Updates
		Lagging on AI part
Sionna	Open source	Bits and pieces
	Python based	Limited support
	Extensive AI support	Not standards complaint
Gigayasa 5G Toolkit	Exhaustive and Easy to use	Proprietary
	Python based	
	3GPP standards compliant	
	Designed for 3GPP SLS and LLS	
	Integrate with SDRs	
	Fast	



Thank You

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