



CISCO IP/MPLS
SOLUTIONS:
NETWORK
CONVERGENCE FOR
MOBILE OPERATORS



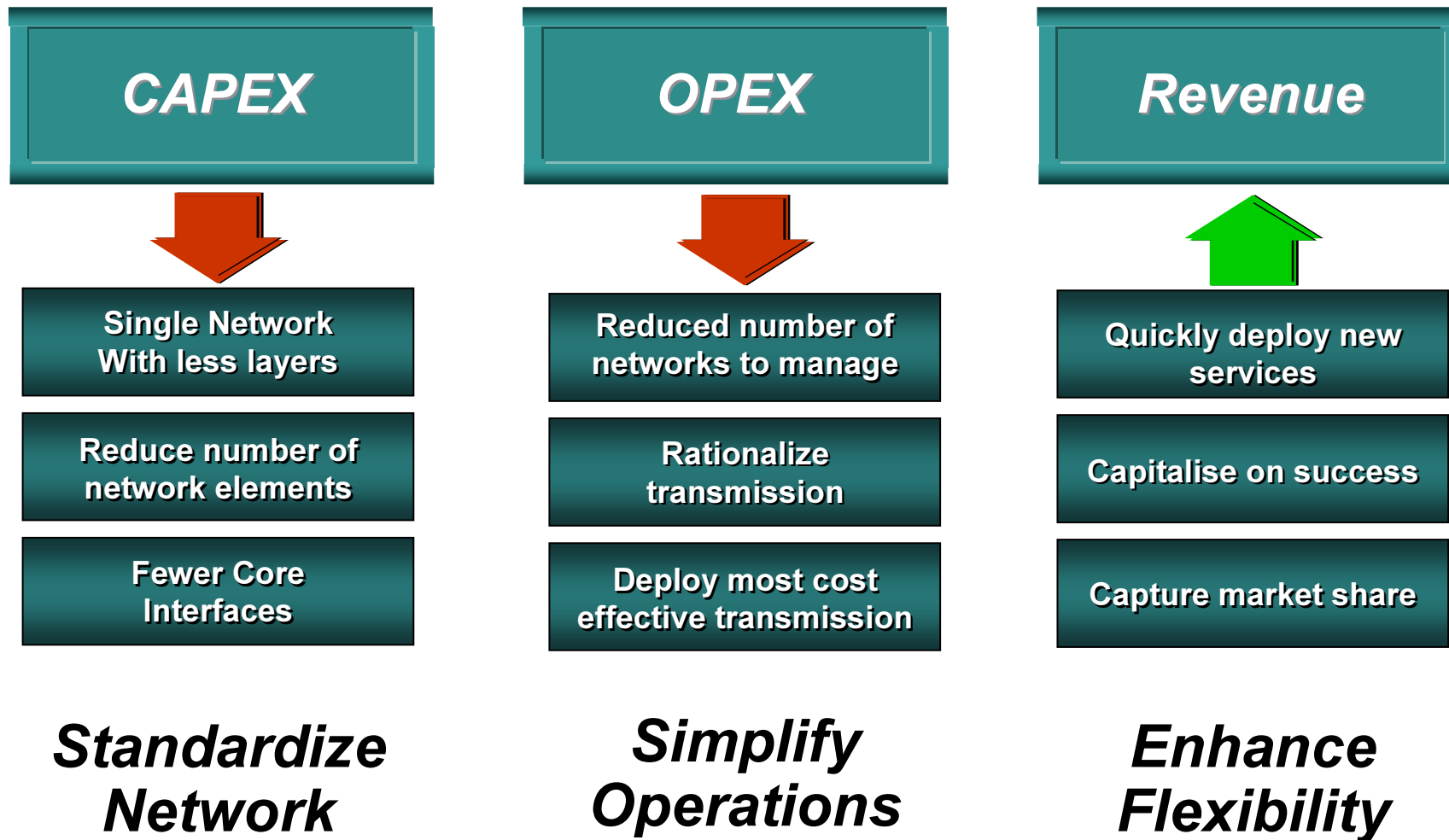
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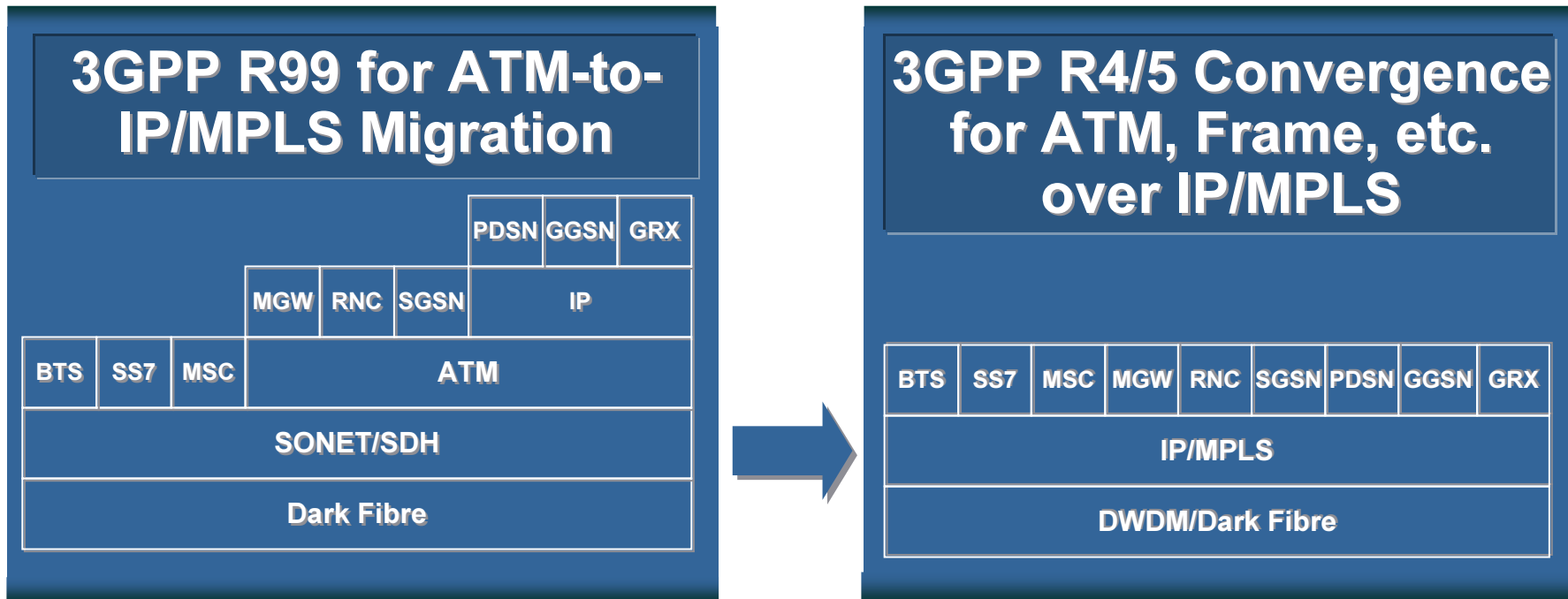


- **Mobile Network Convergence and Drivers**
- Mobile Transport over Pseudowires (MToP)
- Migration Strategy
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Business Case for a Converged IP/MPLS Network



Converging Network Standards to IP/MPLS



Reasons for Convergence

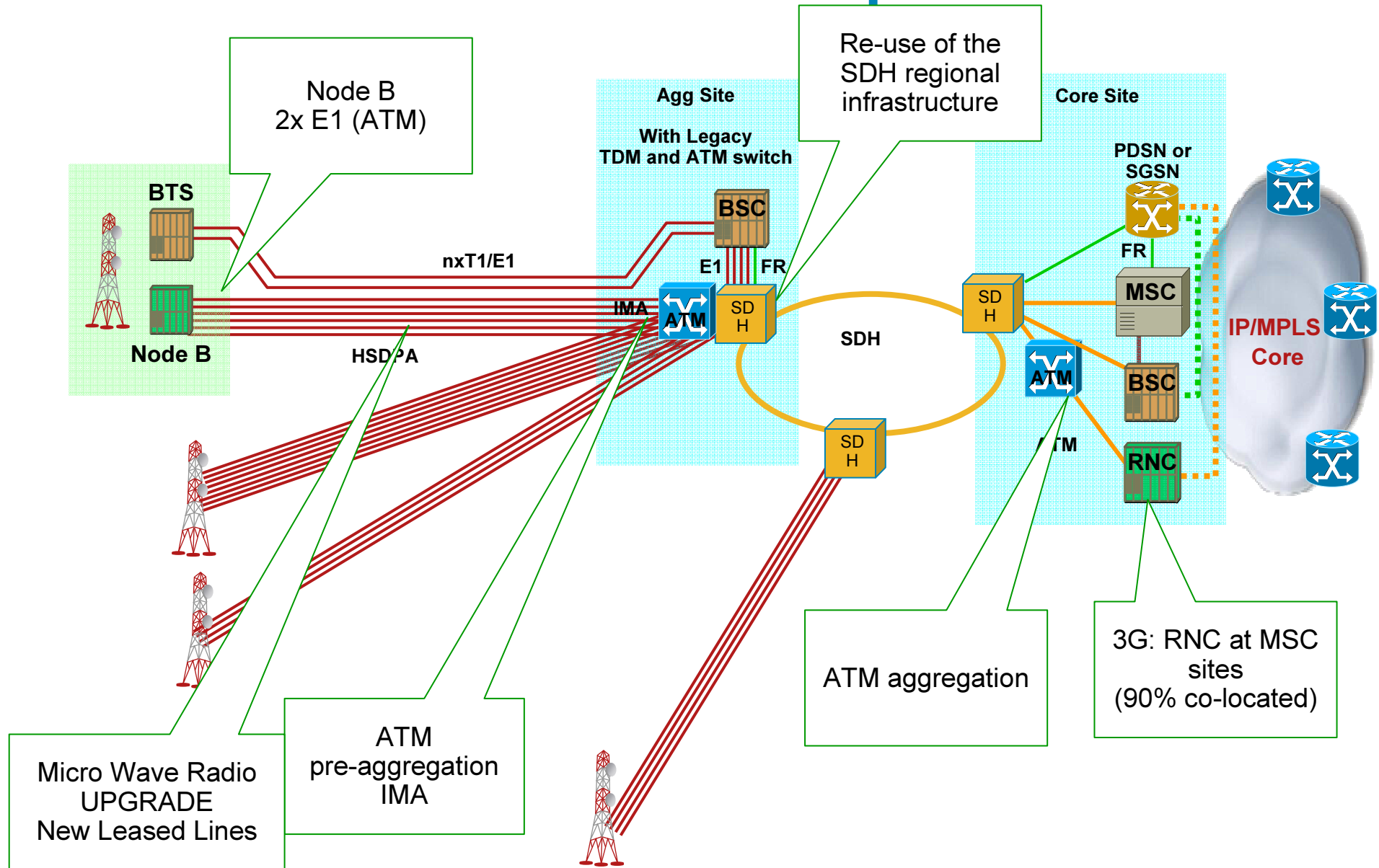
- ATM does not scale well for IP Applications
- ATM is inefficient in handling IP Traffic
- ATM Requires Virtual Circuits to be explicitly Maintained
- Transport and cost efficiencies for high traffic volumes

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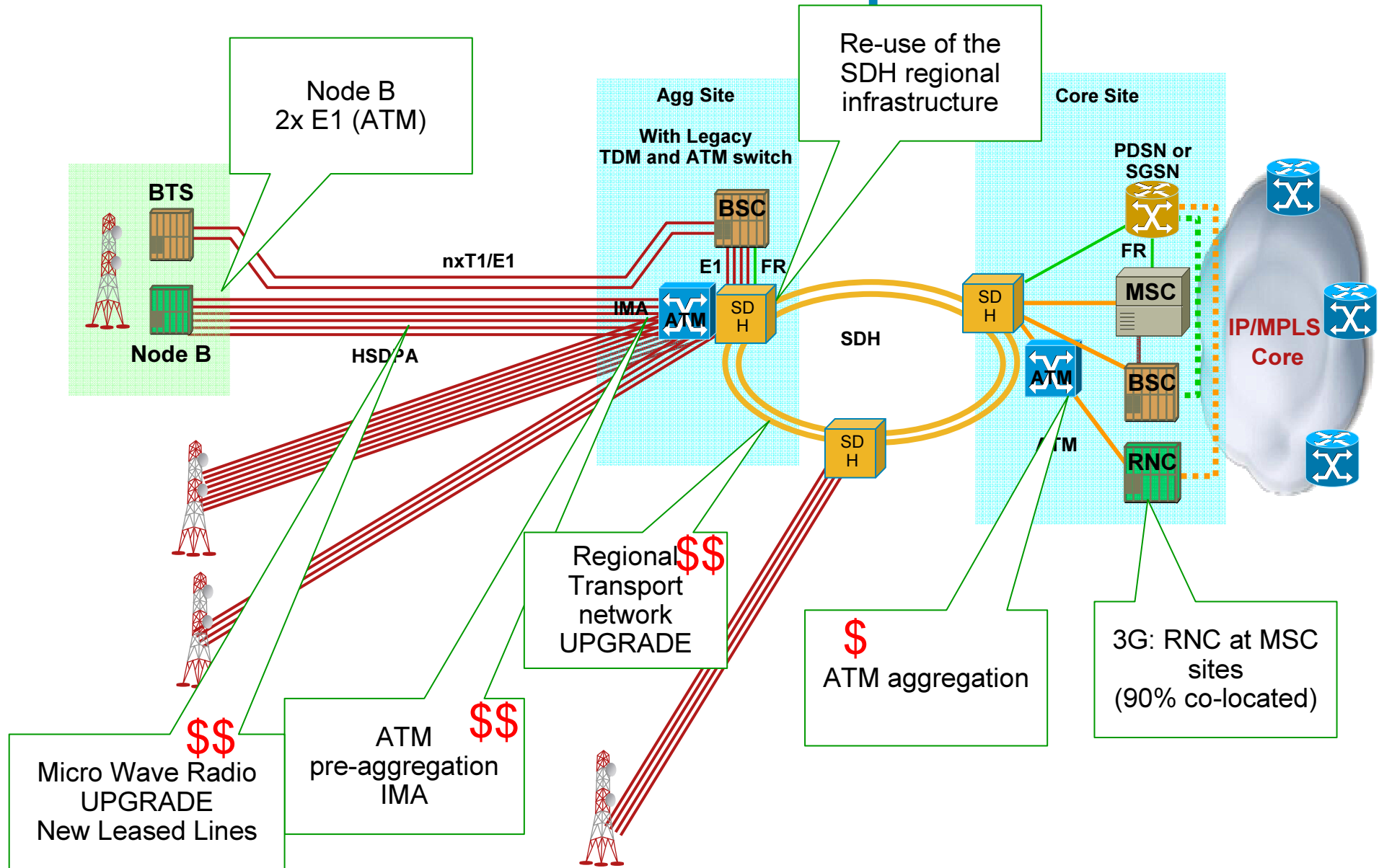


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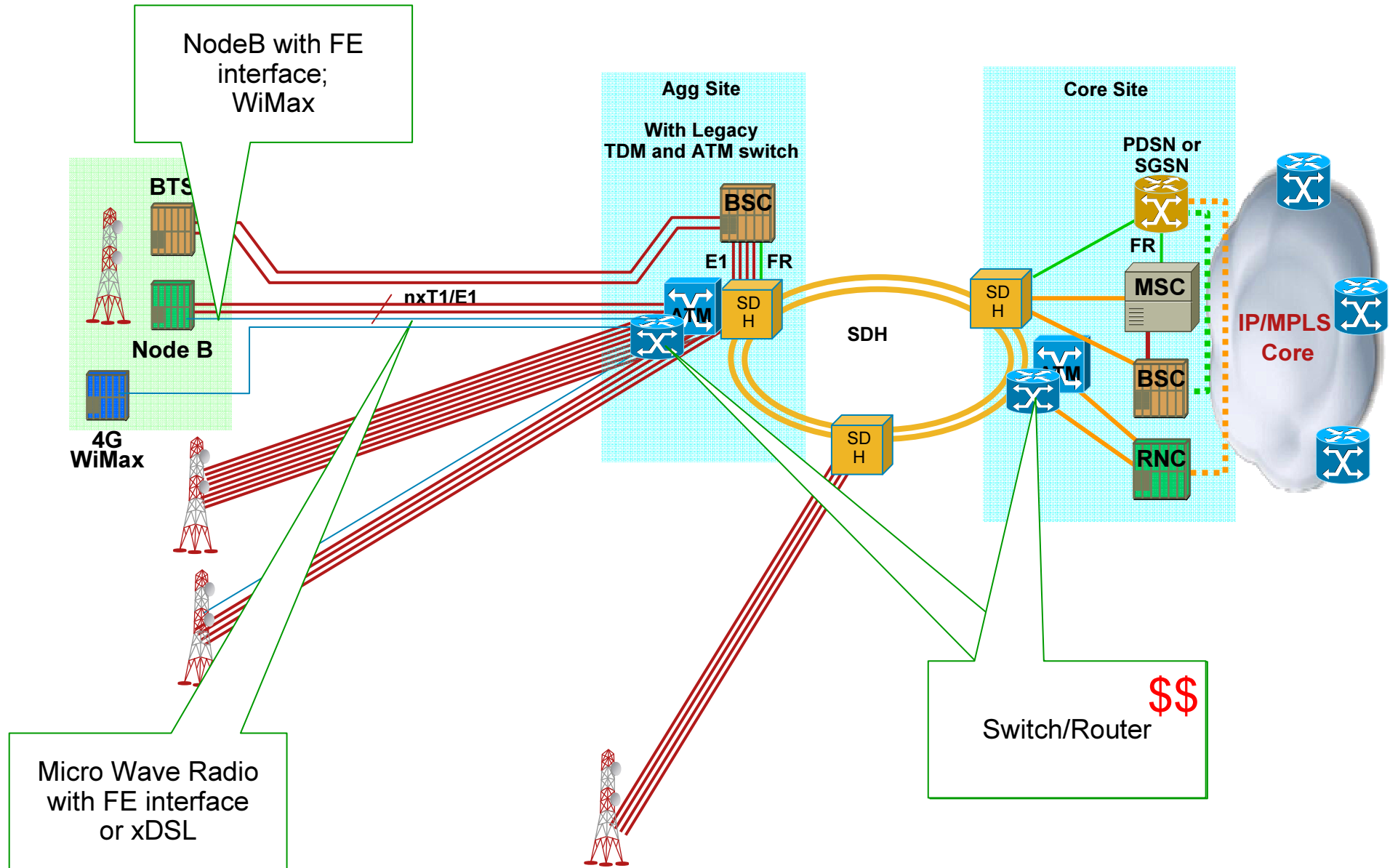
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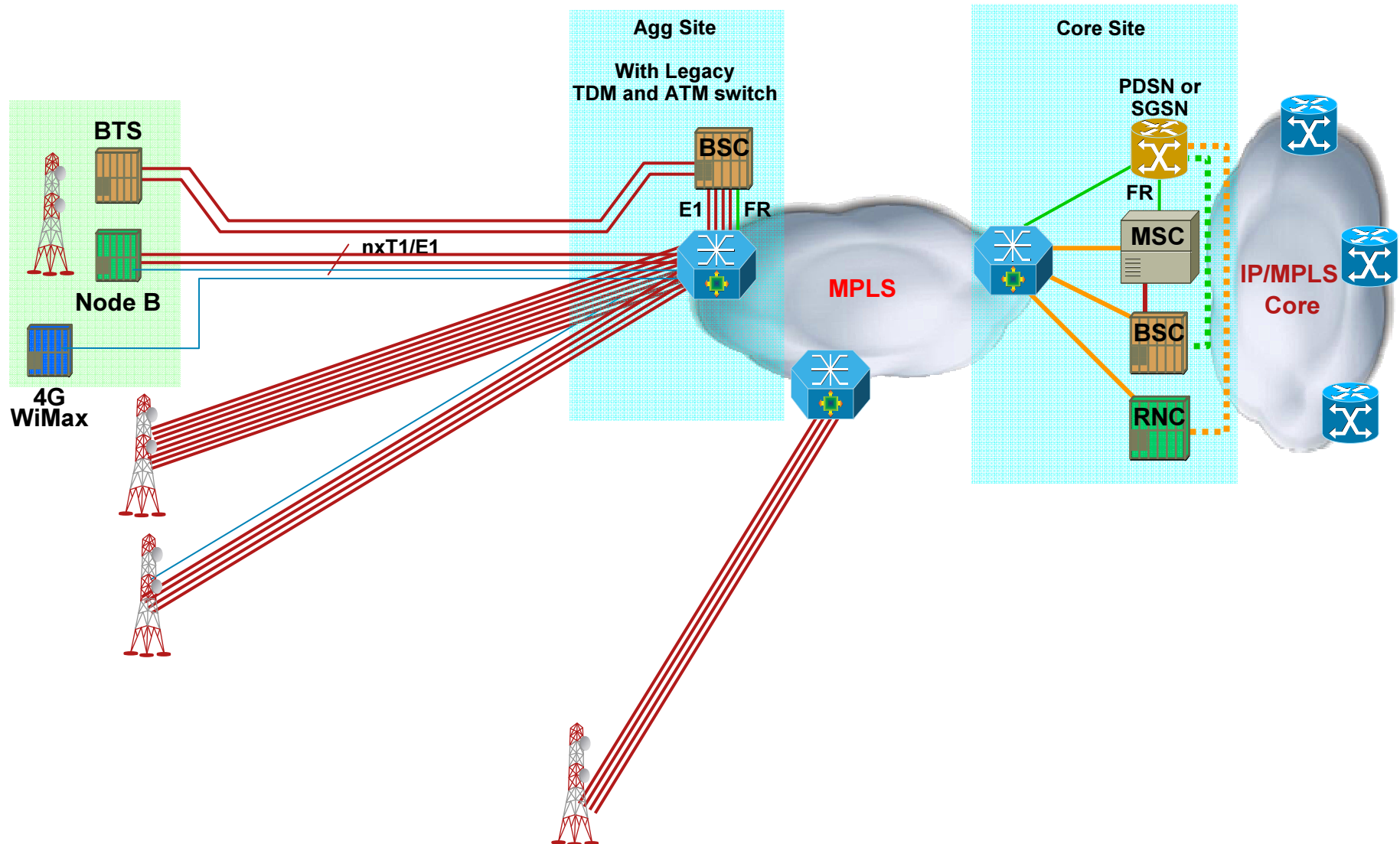
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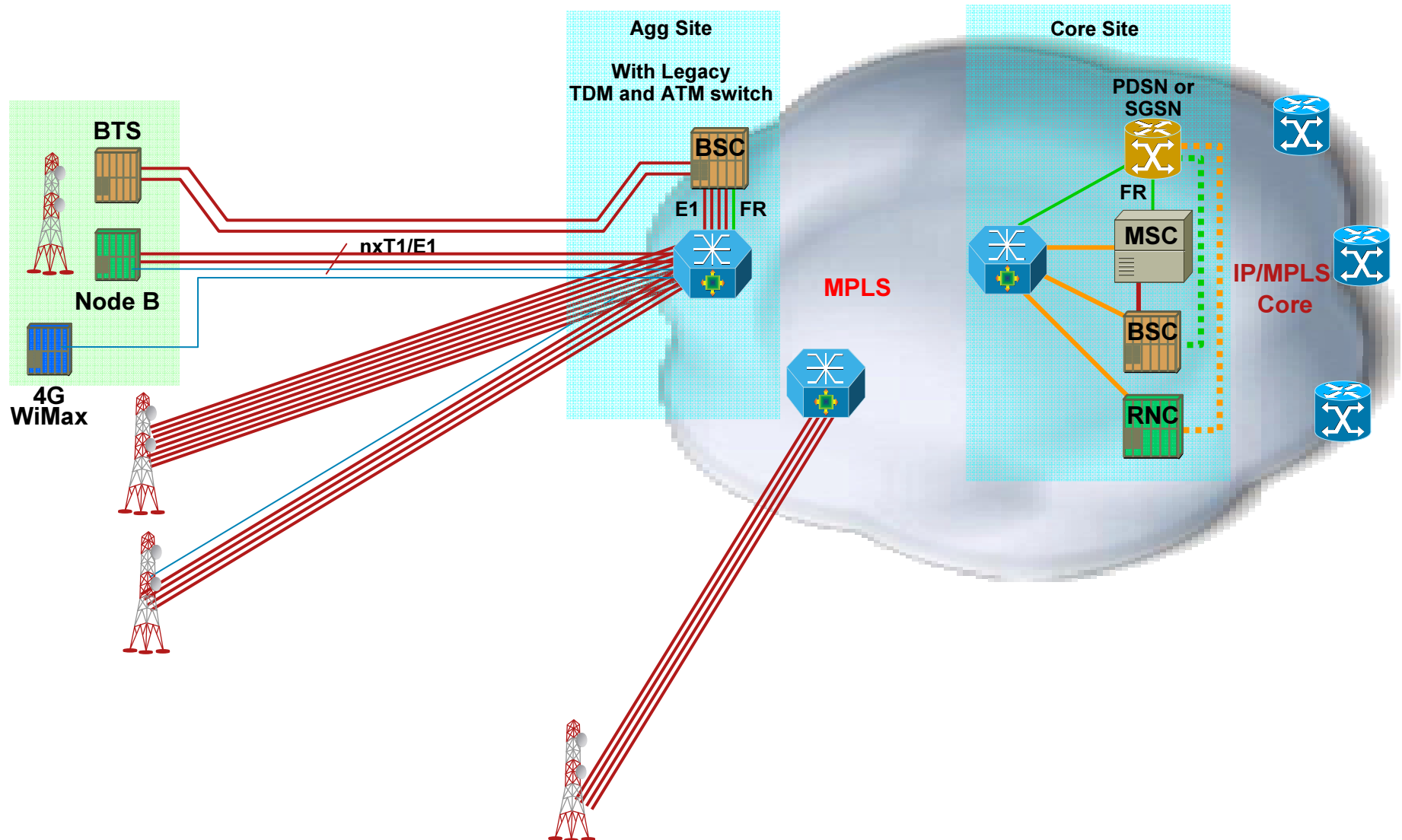
RAN evolution R4-R6 and 4G



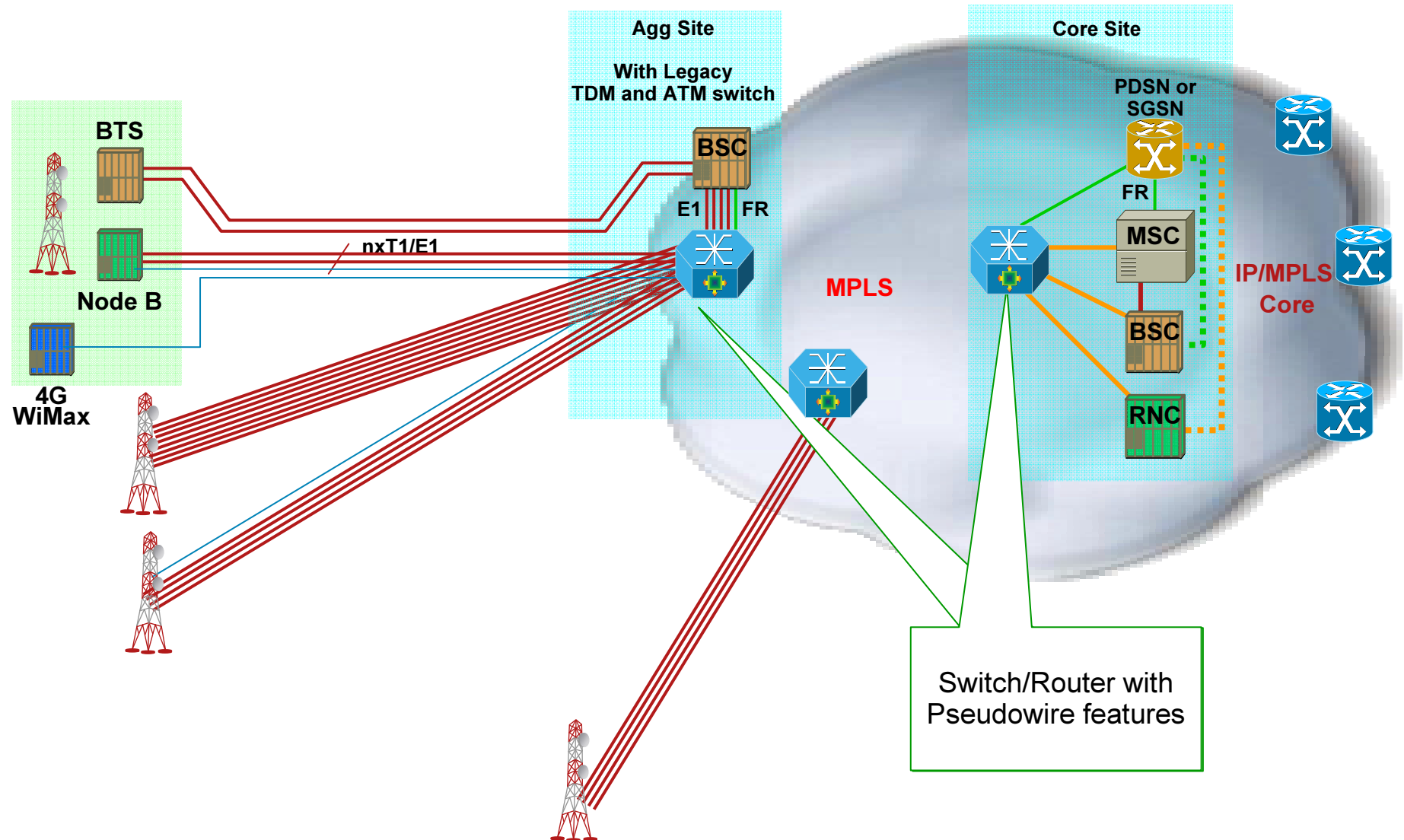
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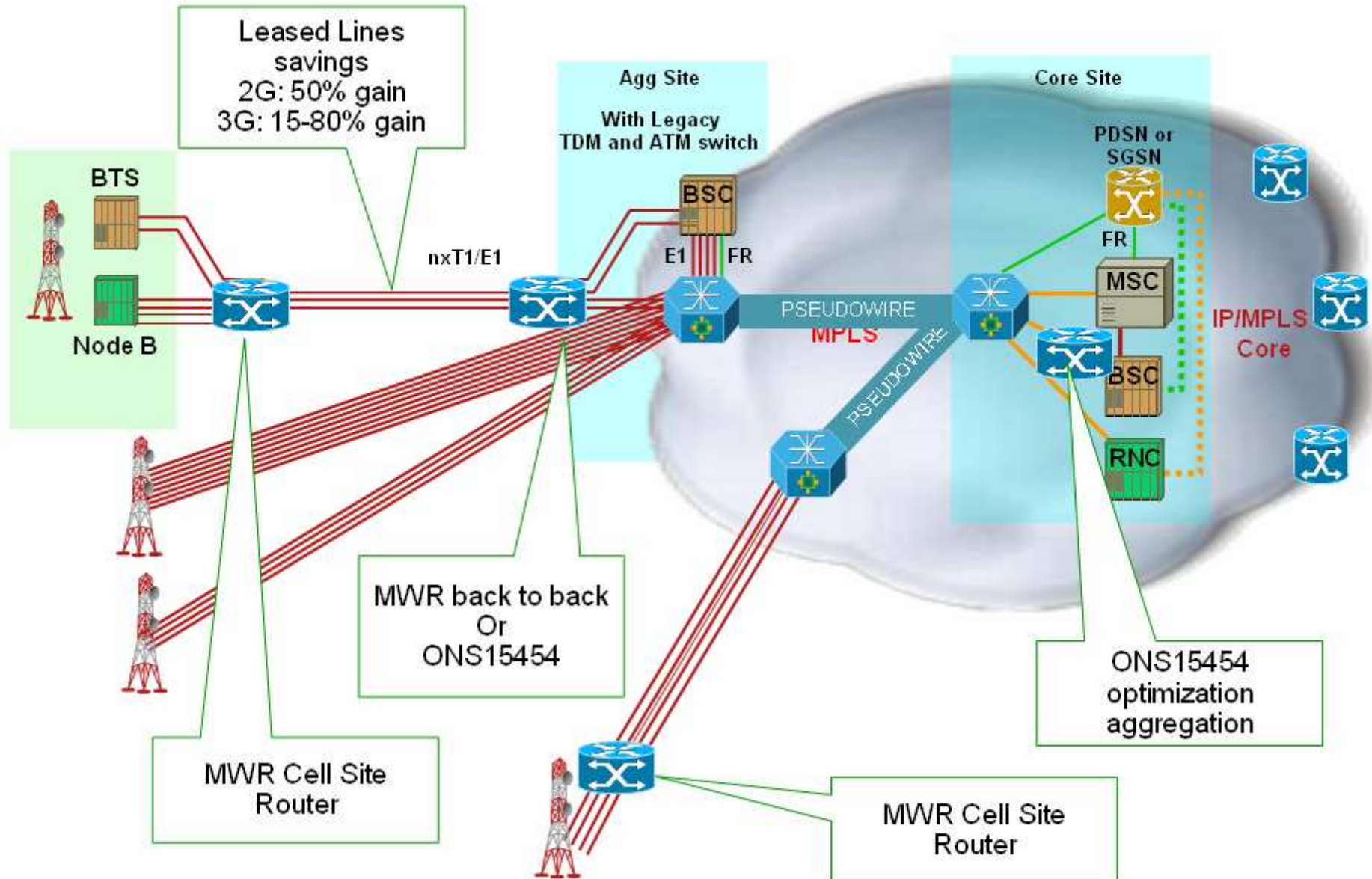
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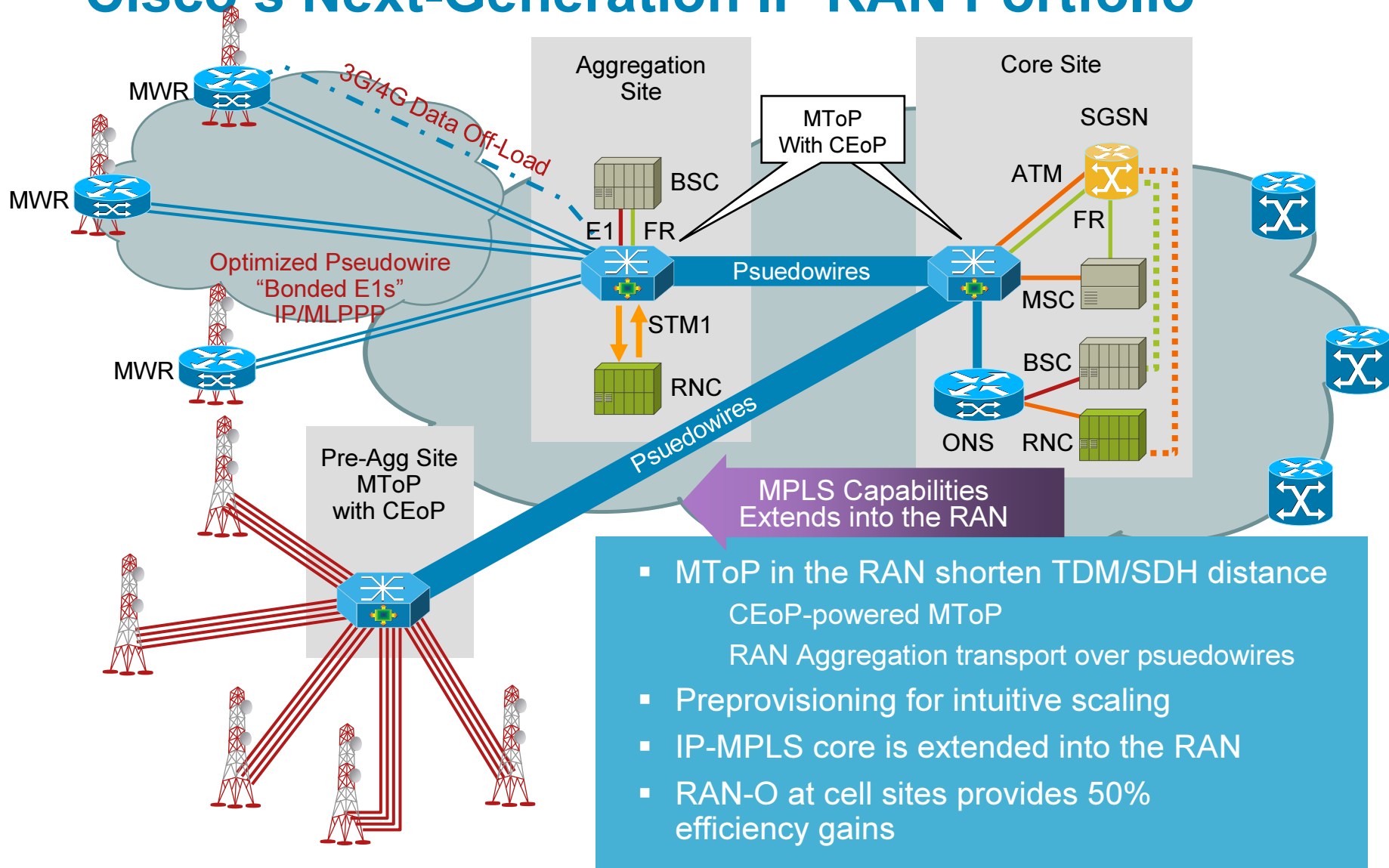


Cisco RAN optimization with MToP



Cisco in the RAN

Cisco's Next-Generation IP RAN Portfolio

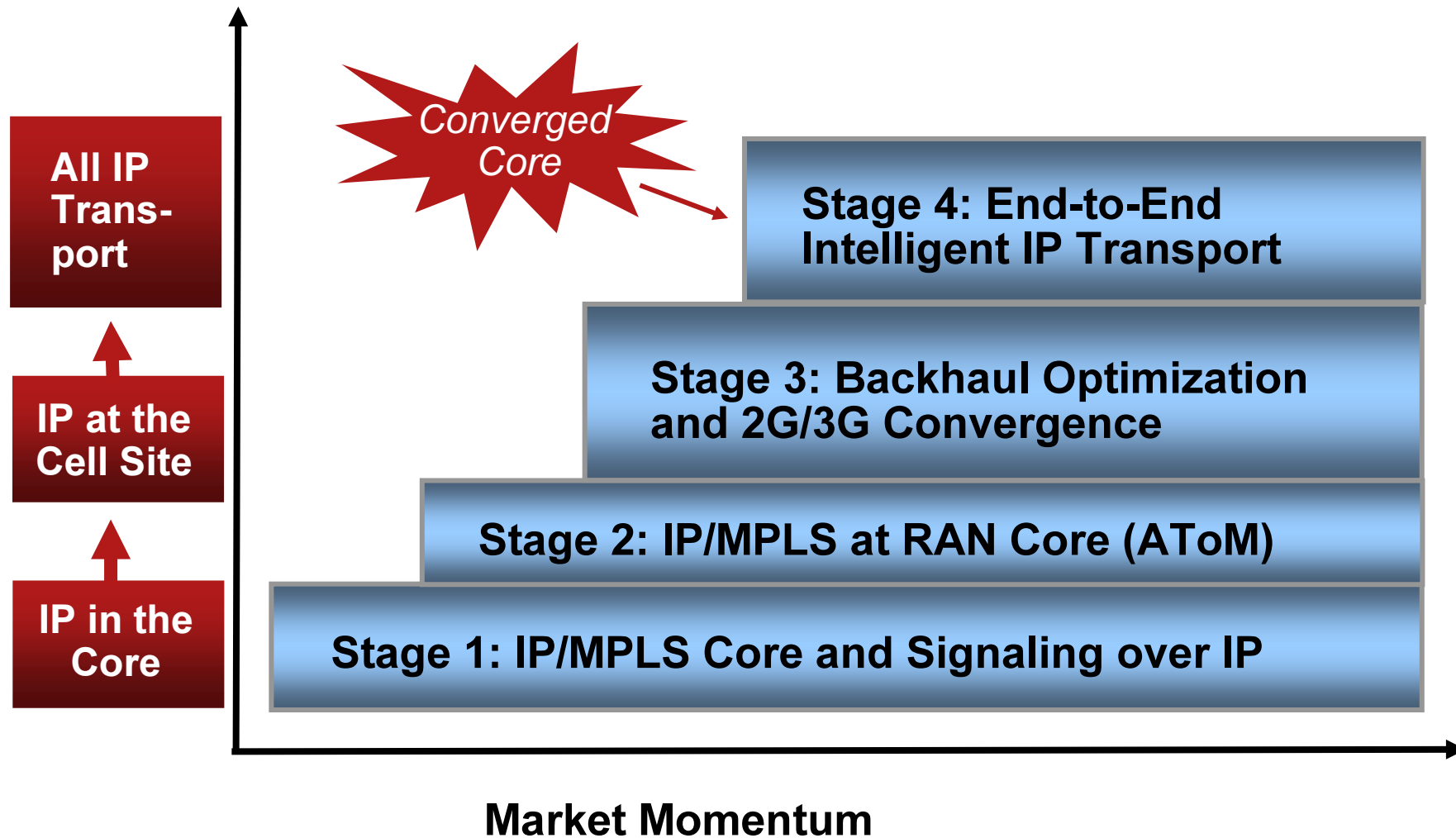


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IP Evolution in Mobile Networks – At a Glance



Stage 1: IP/MPLS Core and Signaling over IP

Trends/Challenges

- **More traffic**
 - Growing voice traffic
 - Success of SMS
 - More data services

=> Difficult and expensive to scale TDM transport and signaling networks
- **More data networks**
 - EDGE/GPRS/3G
 - Proliferation of disparate voice, data, and IT networks

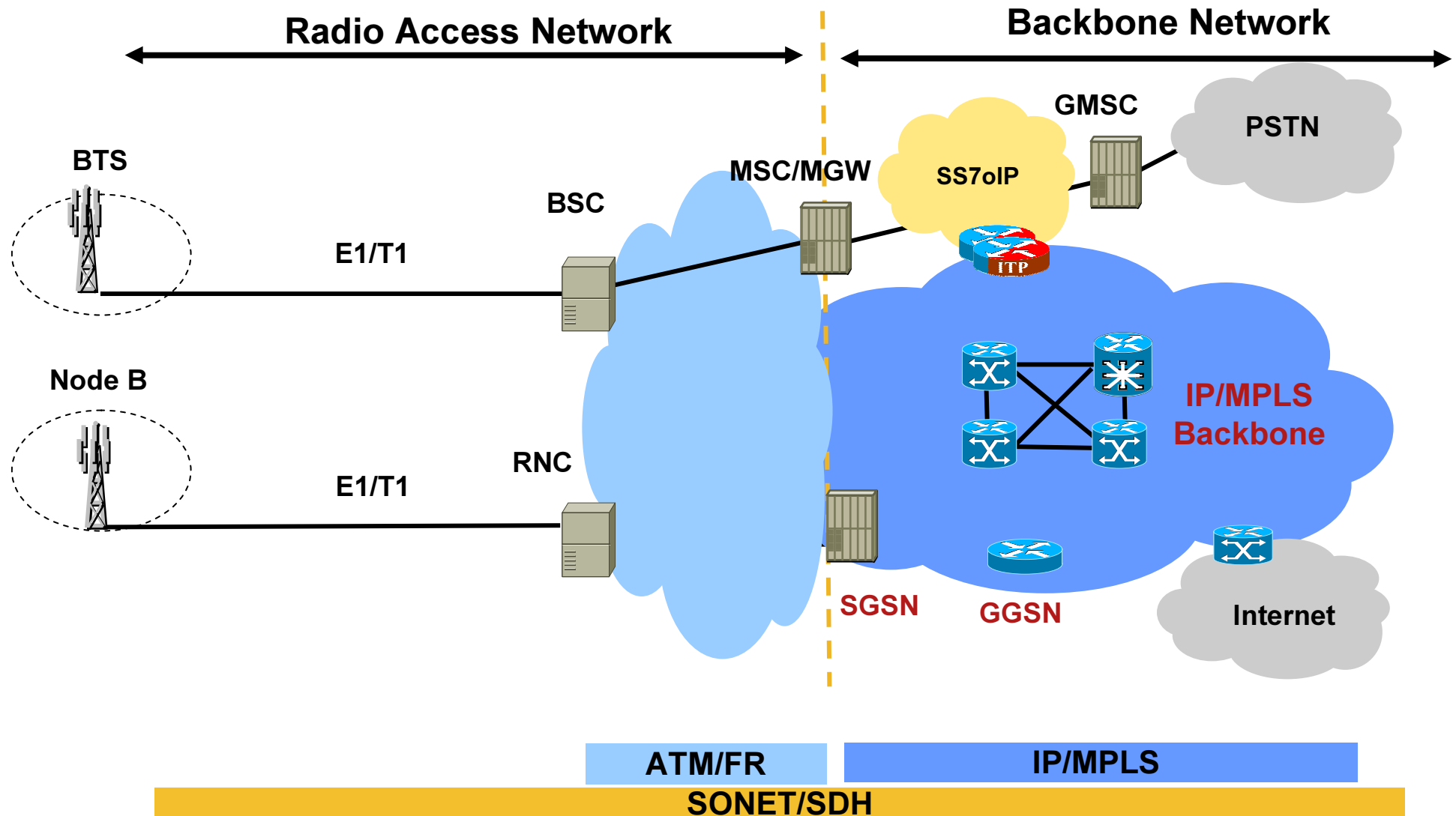
=> Costly to manage and cumbersome to deploy new services
- **Mounting cost pressure due to increasing competition**



Solution Requirements

- **Reduce OpEx**
- **Simplify network architecture and operation**
- **Consolidate multiple networks into a highly scalable core**
- **Find a scalable and cost efficient solution for the signaling network**

Stage 1: IP/MPLS Core and Signaling over IP



Stage 2: IP/MPLS at RAN Core (AToM)

Trends/Challenges

- **Continuous 3G ATM buildout**
- **Lack of scalability and industry momentum in ATM**
→ operators re-evaluate network investment strategy

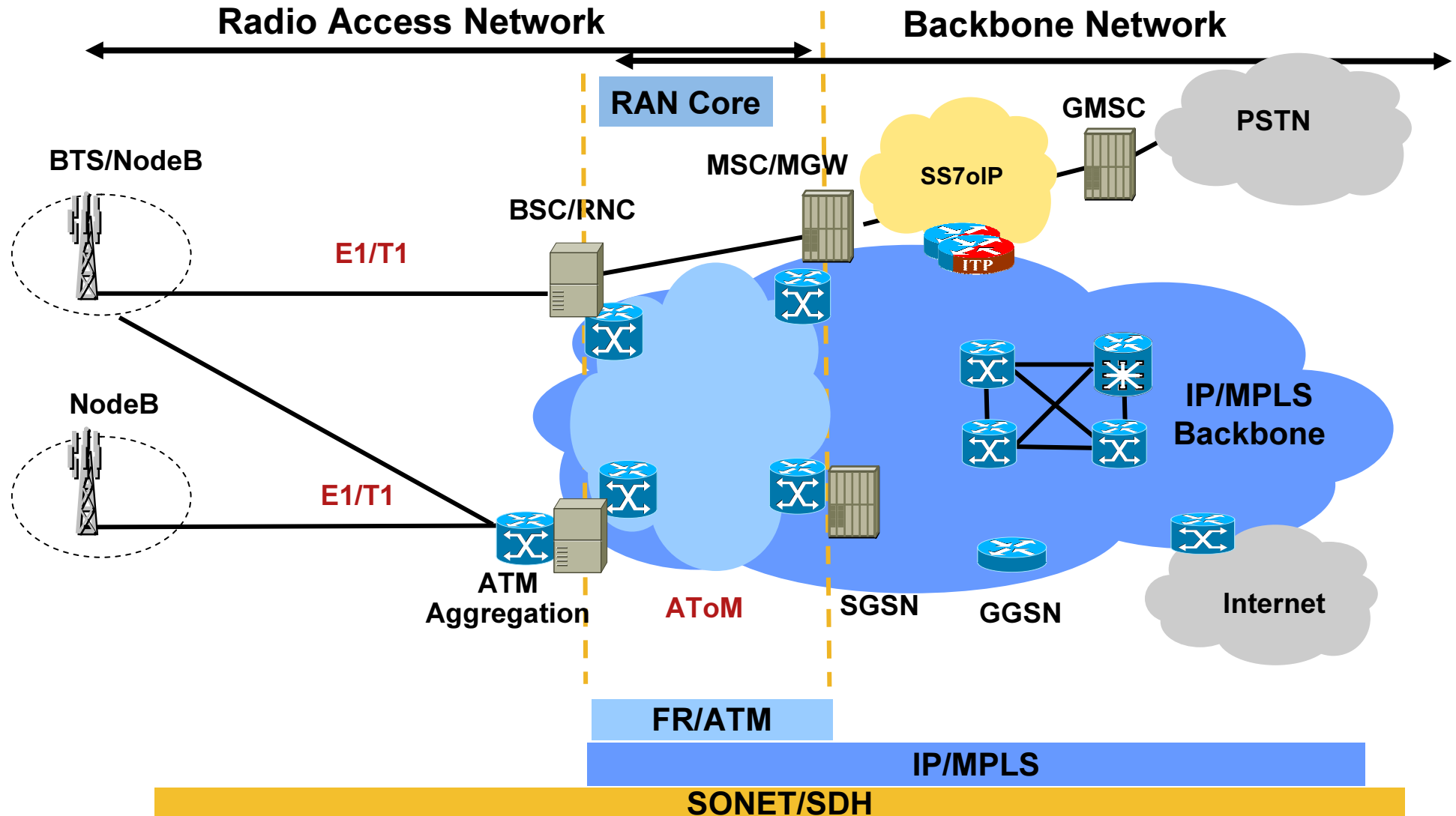


Solution Requirements

- **Scale back and cap ATM investment**
- **Protect existing ATM investment**
- **Enable convergence and OpEx reduction**

AToM = Any Transport over MPLS

Stage 2: IP/MPLS at RAN Core (AToM)



Stage 3: Backhaul Optimization and 2G/3G Convergence

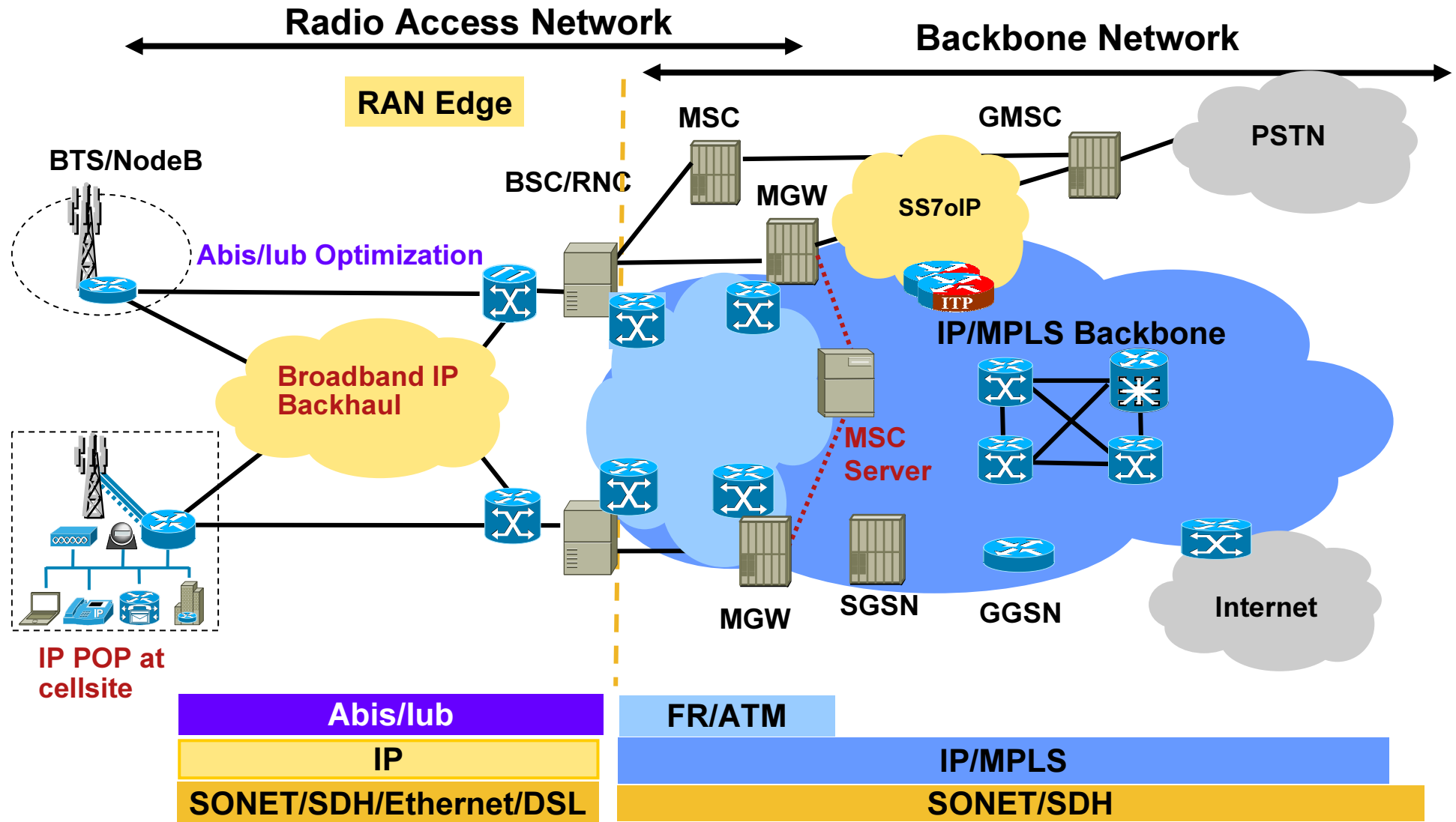
Trends/Challenges

- **Proliferation of networks, services and high-speed access increases backhaul traffic**
 - **GSM/GPRS/EDGE/UMTS**
 - **HSDPA and WiFi**
 - **High-speed IP radio overlays**
 - **IMS/SEF and FMC**
- **Increasing traffic loads call for additional costly backhaul BW**
- **Need to reduce E1/T1 backhaul cost while increasing backhaul capacity and availability**
- **Need to reduce Capex and OpEx associated with 2G MSCs**
- **Need to expand existing services and introduce new services with same or lower per unit cost**

Solution Requirements

- **Transition to Next Gen backhaul**
 - **Access-agnostic**
 - **Maximize existing backhaul**
 - **Allow for transition to broadband backhaul**
 - **Enable 2G/3G/4G convergence**
 - **Support voice, data, video**
- **Migrate 3G and 2G voice from the more expensive circuit-switched network**

Stage 3: Backhaul Optimization and 2G/3G Convergence



Stage 4: End-to-End Intelligent IP Transport

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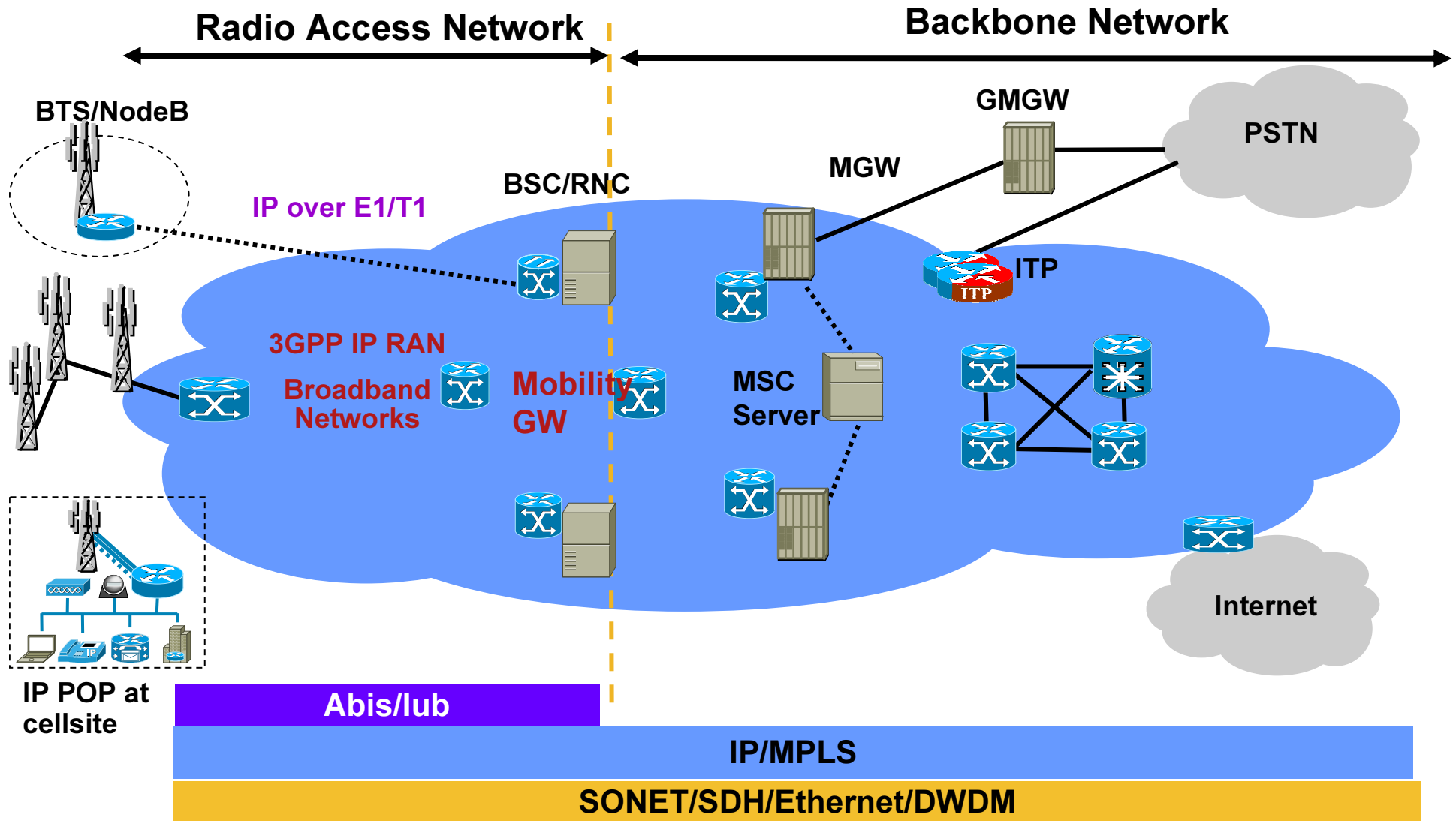
- **IP RAN deployment**
 - **RAN elements talking IP**
 - **Co-existence with legacy RAN**
- **Multicast in IP RAN**
- **IP-based mobile services**
- **Hierarchical Mobile IP for mobility**
- **New radio technologies and convergence of access networks**
- **Voice/data/video any time any where over any access**



Solution Requirements

- **A high-capacity, scalable and cost efficient network for IP RAN, with support for legacy RAN**
- **End-to-end network with simplified architecture and management**
- **Enable Quad-play: Voice, Data, Video, Mobility**

Stage 4: End to End Intelligent IP Transport



Bonus Features IP-PoP and IP-DCN



IP Point-of-Presence

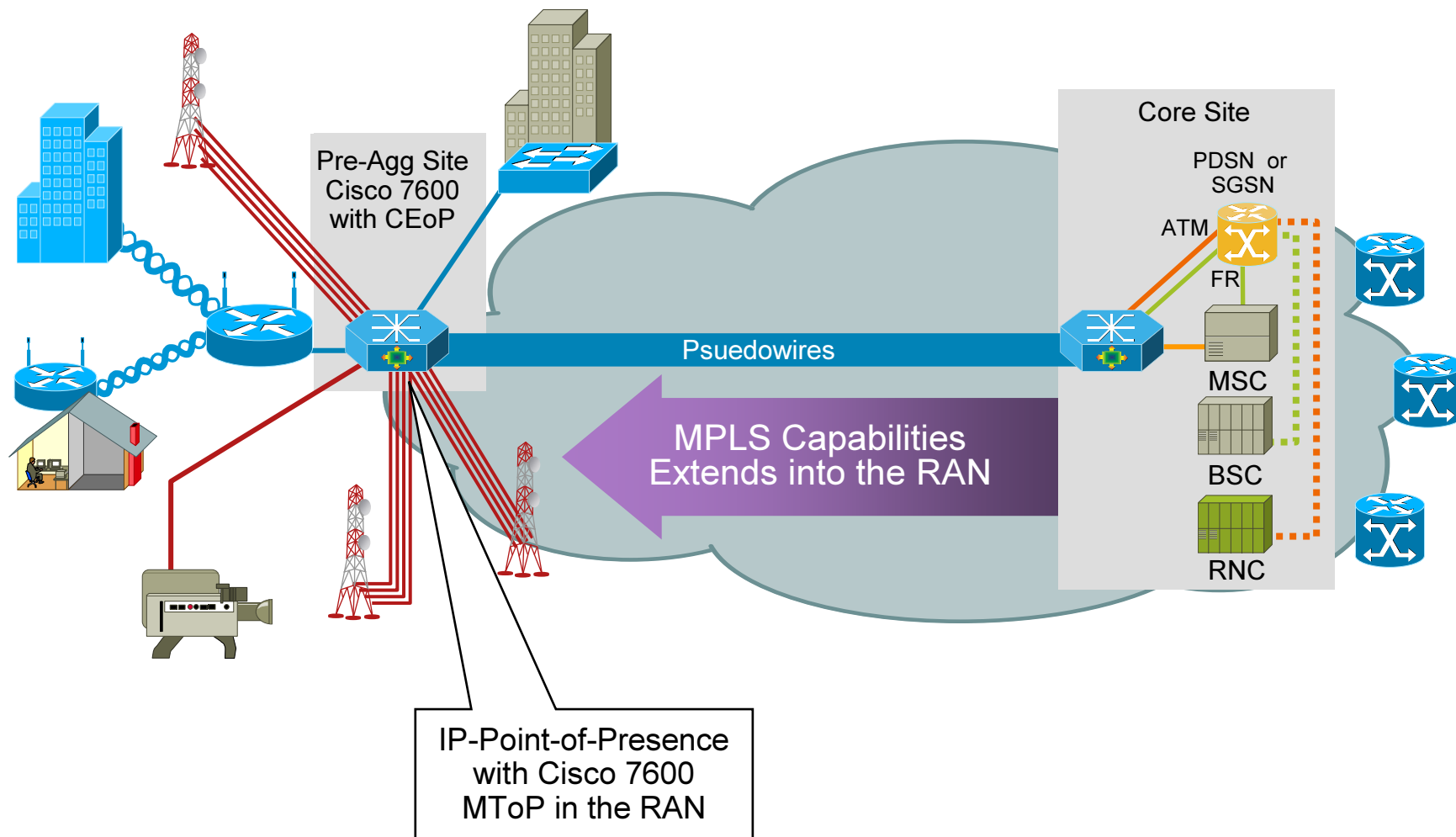
Bonus Capabilities

- Extends the capability to reach customers from the core out to the aggregation points or the cell site
- Cisco next-gen RAN solutions push Cisco IOS capabilities and features into the RAN
 - QoS and IP security
- Target enterprise, commercial, SOHO, and residential
- Provide managed services at lower cost of access
 - Managed VPN, private VPN, meshed Wi-Fi, IP PBX services
 - Provide fixed mobile service offerings

IP Point-of-Presence Bonus Capabilities

- Often aggregation sites or cell sites are located in or near buildings that house businesses
- IP-based services can be easily extended to customers in and near these sites
- Cisco next-gen IP-RAN solutions become platforms of new revenue generating services
 - Increase revenues
 - Gain new customers
 - Add customer “stickiness”

IP Point-of-Presence Bonus Capabilities



IP Data Control Network

Bonus Capabilities

- Cisco mobility routers enable full DCN capabilities over IP for all colocated equipment
 - Telemetry
 - Software downloads
 - Alarming and premise security
 - Diagnostics
- Reduces number of “truck rolls”
- Cell sites and aggregation sites can be outfitted for VoIP soft phones, NetMeeting, and Wi-Fi
- Greater control at reduced costs

In Conclusion Summary



Next-Generation RAN Portfolio

Conclusions

- No MSP network is exactly alike
- One size does not fit all
- Cisco brings the intelligence, security, control of the IP-MPLS core into the RAN
- Tangible OpEx reductions
- Flexibility to support new media-rich services
- Enable new revenue generating services
- Improve network reliability
- True convergence of the network

Cisco – IP/MPLS NGN Summary

- Mobile Operator Applications and Services are increasingly IP based applications,
- IP/MPLS Implementations are Tried and True in the SP and Mobile Markets,
- Cisco H/W, and S/W Implementations are Carrier Class (FRR, TE, QoS, L3 and L2VPNs),
- Legacy Mobile Applications and Services which exploit TDM/FR/ATM can be supported over an IP/MPLS Core.
- Cisco's IP/MPLS solution is Secure and Manageable

