

# Storage Life on the Edge: Security Challenges

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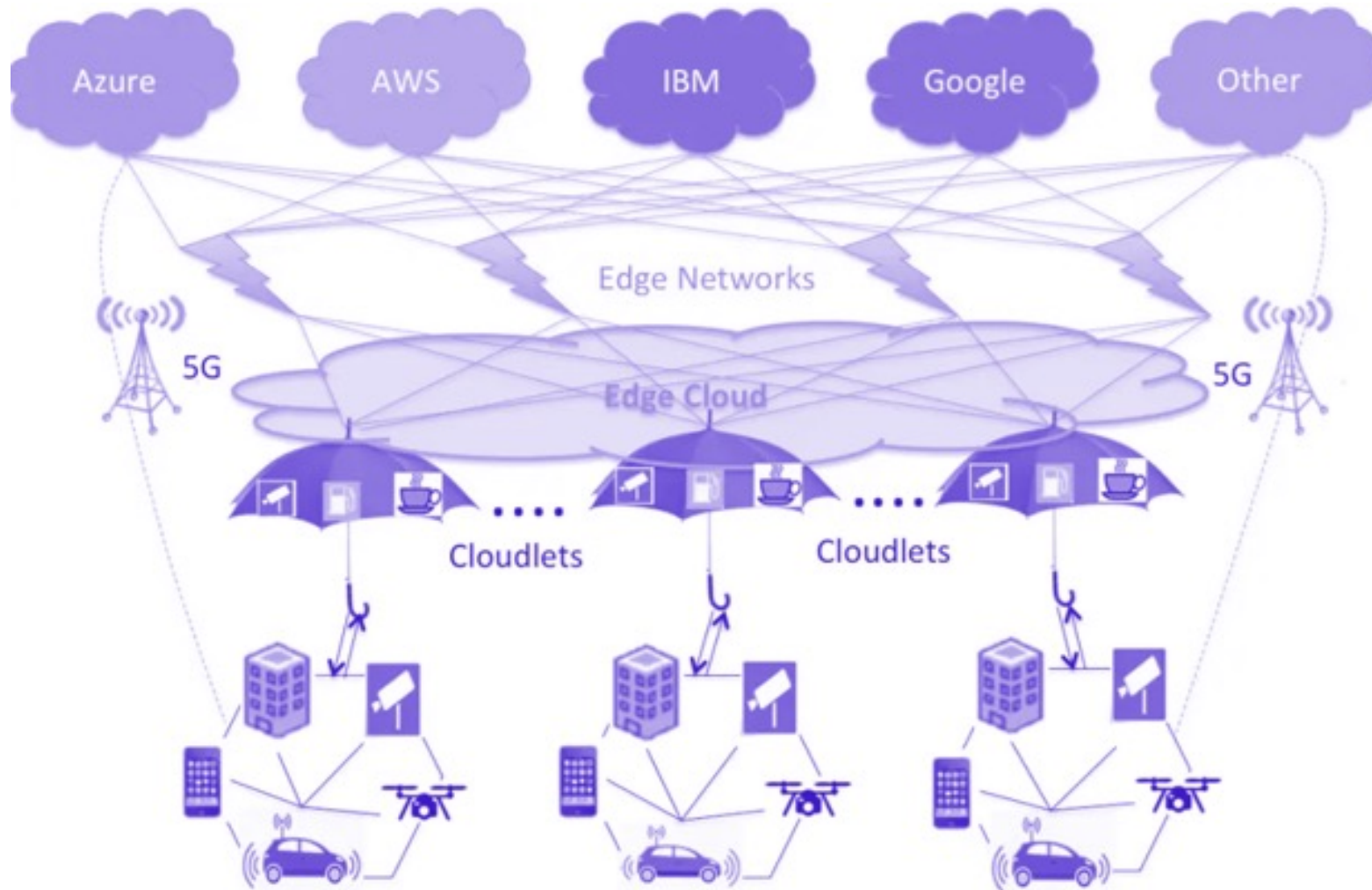
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# Agenda

- Chaos at the Edge
- ISO Perspective on Edge Computing
- Security on the Edge
- Panel Discussion



# Chaos at the Edge



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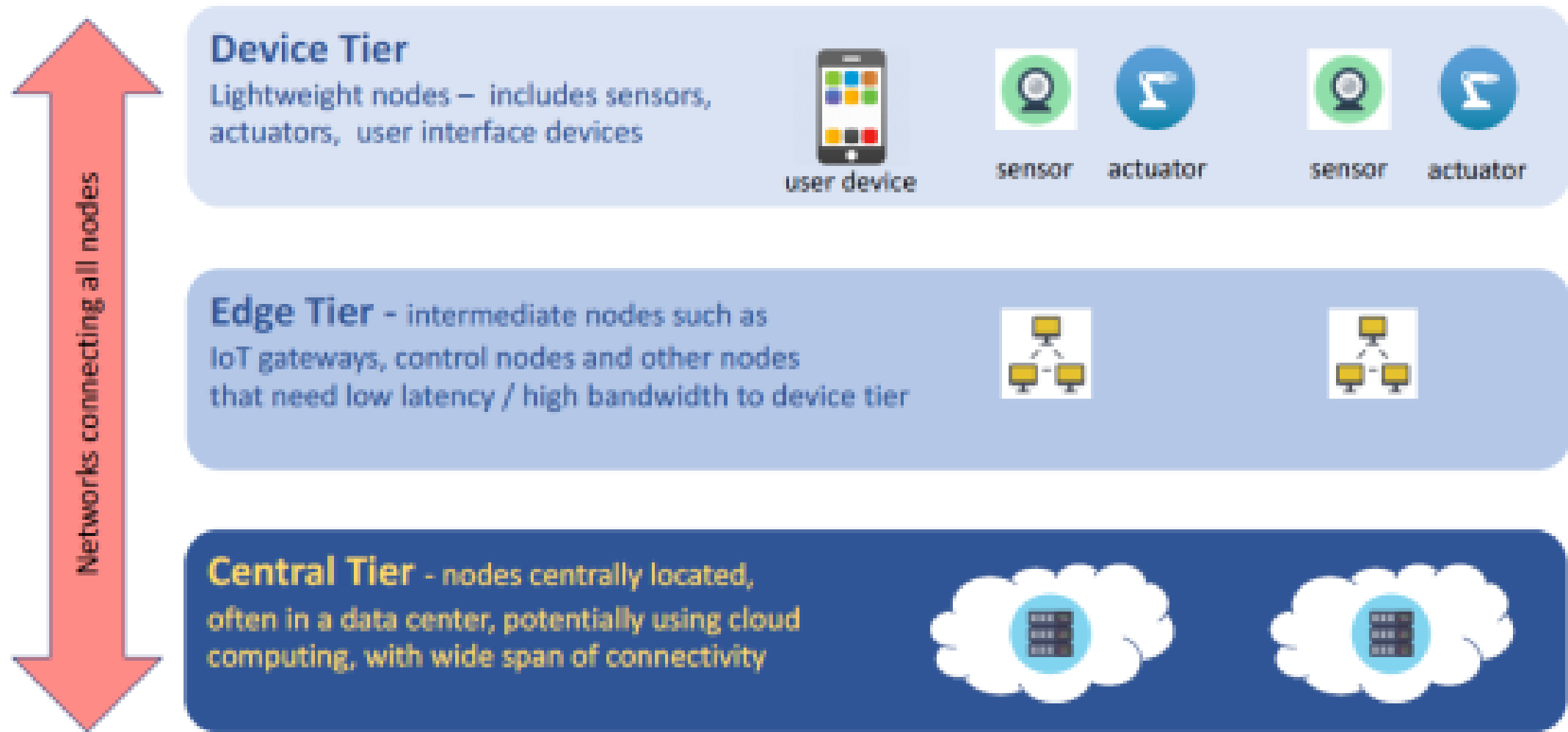


# ISO Perspective on Edge

# ISO TR 23188:2019 Perspective on Edge Computing

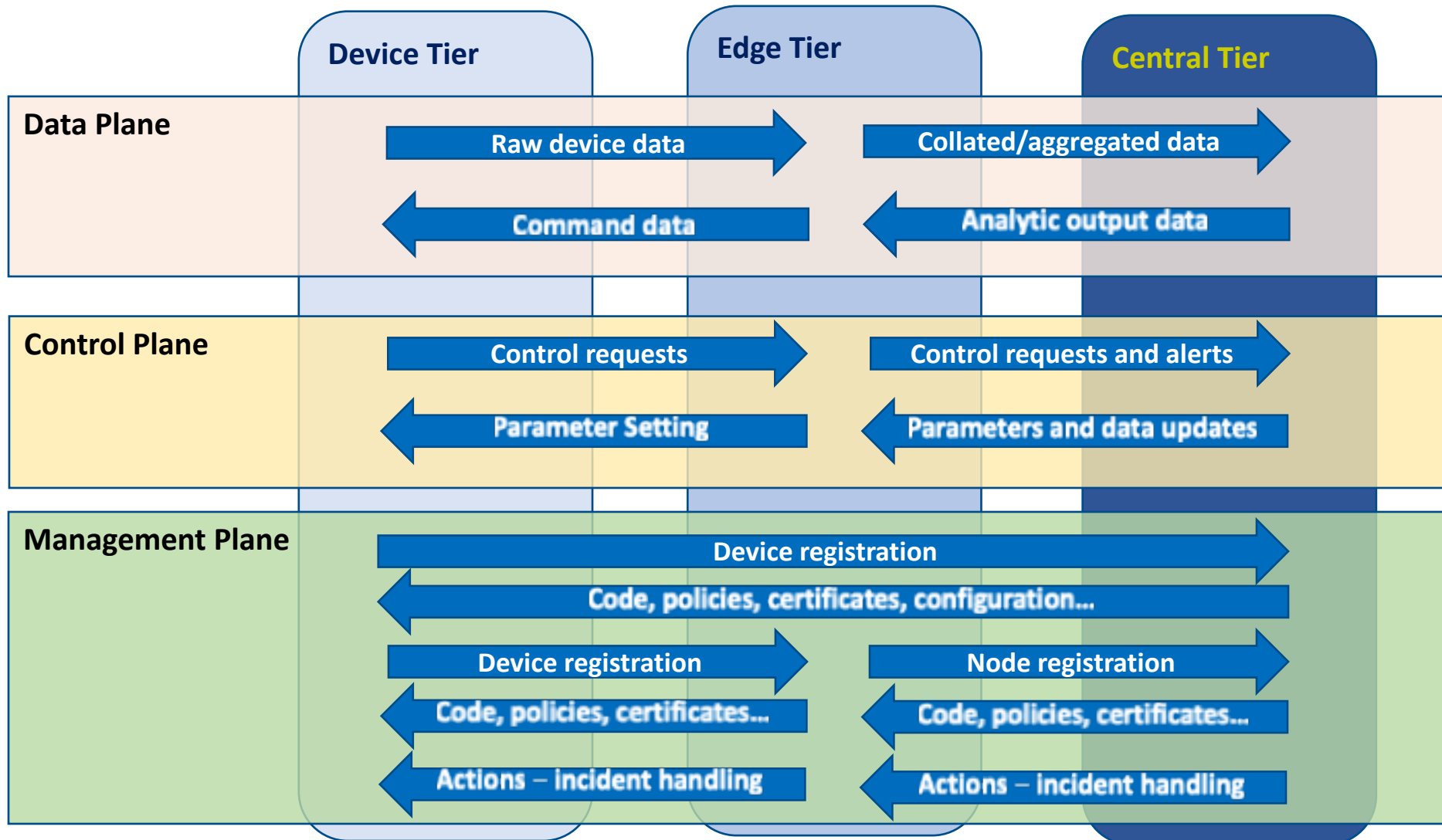
- Edge computing is distributed computing [networked systems] in which data processing and storage takes place on nodes which are near to the edge
- The edge is marked by the boundary between pertinent digital and physical entities, i.e., between the digital system and the physical world, delineated by networked sensors and actuators
- Pertinent digital entities means that the digital entities which need to be considered can vary depending on the system under consideration and the context in which those entities are used

# Conceptual Model (containing physical elements)



Source: ISO TR 23188:2019

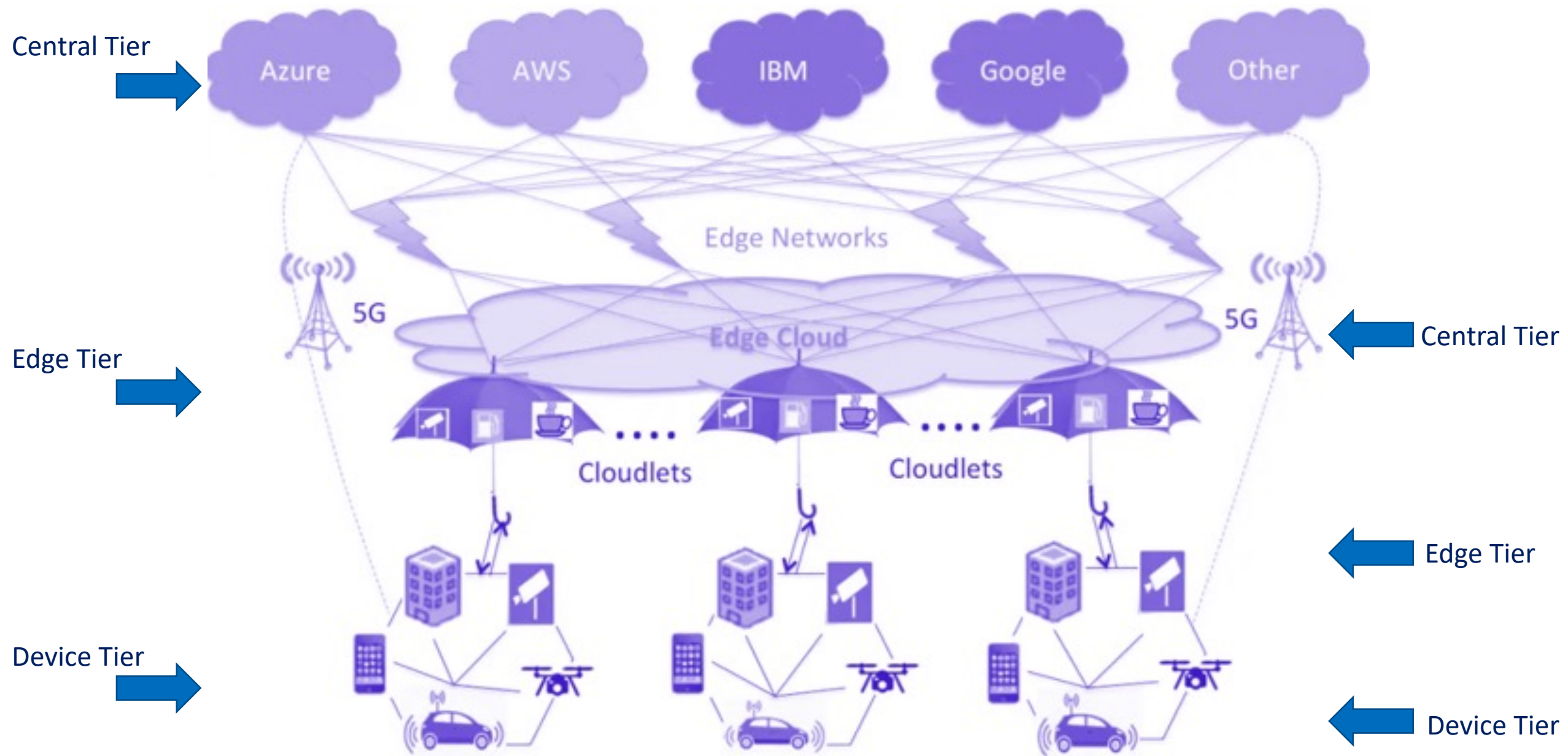
# Relationship of Capability Planes to Edge Computing Tiers



- The arrows within the planes represent possible abstract information flows within the distributed computing system
- The data, control and management planes need to be isolated from each other, in networking terms

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# Security on the Edge

**Privacy:** Collection Limitations, Data Quality, Purpose Specification, Use Limitation, Security Safeguards, Openness, Individual Participation, Accountability

**Heavily Regulated** ←

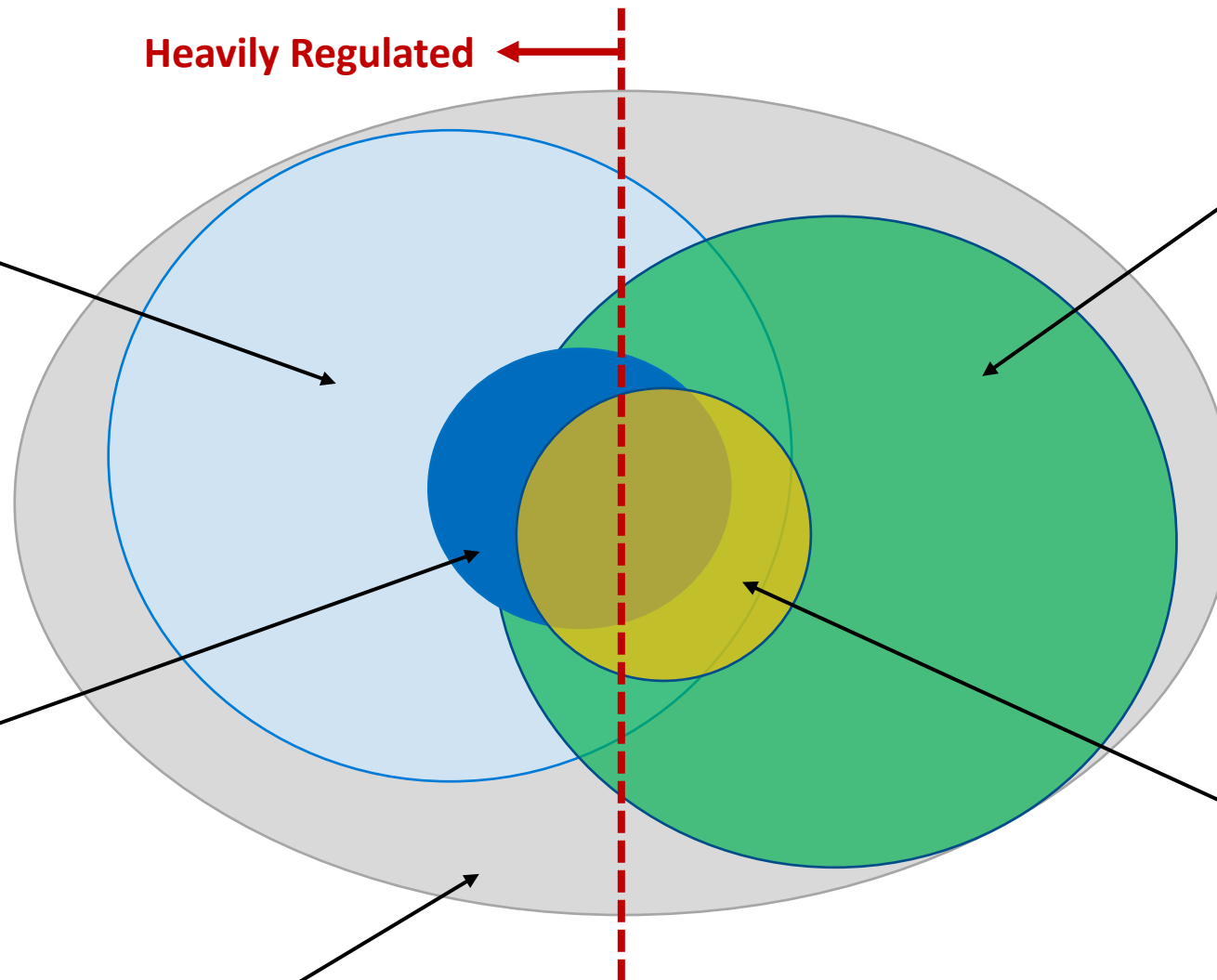
**Information Security:** Ensures Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability (CIA) of information

**Personal Data Protection:**

Safeguards applying under various laws and regulations to personal data (PII, PHI, etc.) about individuals that organizations collect, store, use and disclose

**Ethics:** Moral principles that govern a person's behavior or the conducting of an activity

**Cybersecurity:** Ensures Confidentiality, Integrity, and Availability of data; Identify, Protect, Detect, Respond, Recover



# Many Challenges From Its Characteristics

## Characteristics

- Massive number of nodes
- Proximity networks often use specialized protocols to interconnect nodes
- First entrance of data; large amounts of real-time and unfiltered data
- Harsh environments
- Hardware and software constraints
- High latencies and low reliabilities
- Localized compute, storage, and management
- Heterogenous and diverse features sets

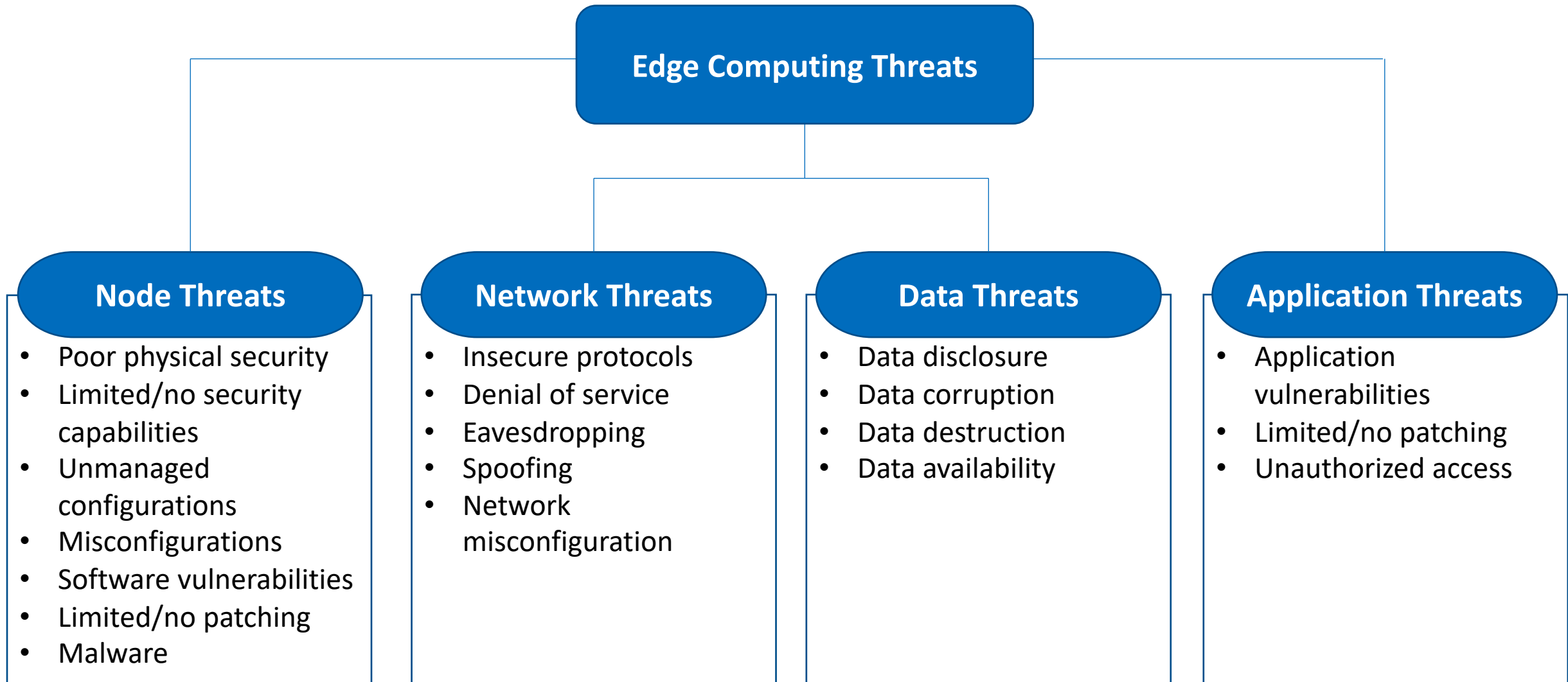


## Challenges

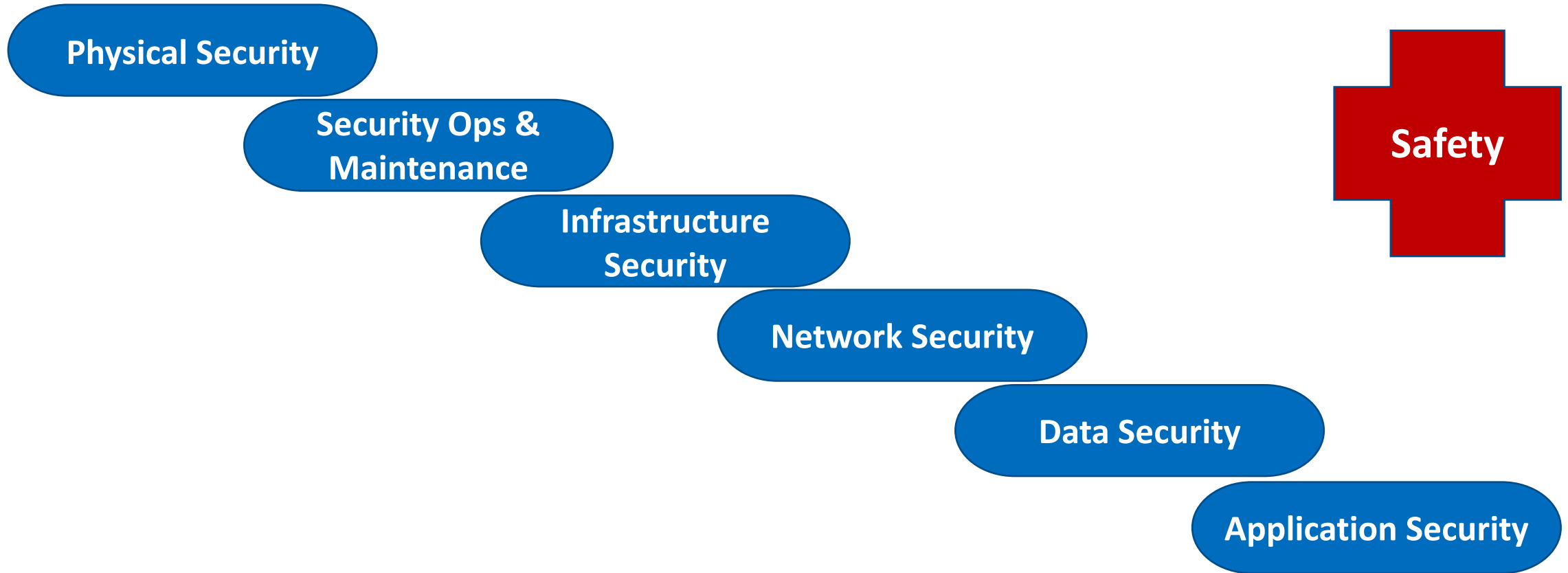
- Non-traditional cloud interactions
- Traditional firewalls and IDS/IPS do not apply
- Different kinds of nodes diminish automation options
- Insufficient access control policy and enforcement
- Insecure interfaces and protocols
- DDoS susceptibility
- Expanded attack surface due to vulnerabilities



# Rudimentary Risk Analysis



# Example Edge Computing Security Framework





# Panel Discussion

# Summary and Q&A

- Security issues permeate edge ecosystems
- Heterogeneity complicates security
- There is no once-size-fits-all, so security needs to reflect the risks, organizational risk tolerance, value of assets, etc.
- Privacy implications need to be addressed
- In some scenarios, safety can dominate the security priorities



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