

Master ICT for Internet and multimedia engineering



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ICT FOR INTERNET AND MULTIMEDIA



Master's degree ICT Internet Multimedia Engineering

Overview

What is ICT?



- Acronym of Information and Communication Technologies = Systems (both hardware and software) for transmitting, sharing, and processing information

Why Internet and multimedia?



Internet

is the biggest and most used telecommunication system in the entire planet

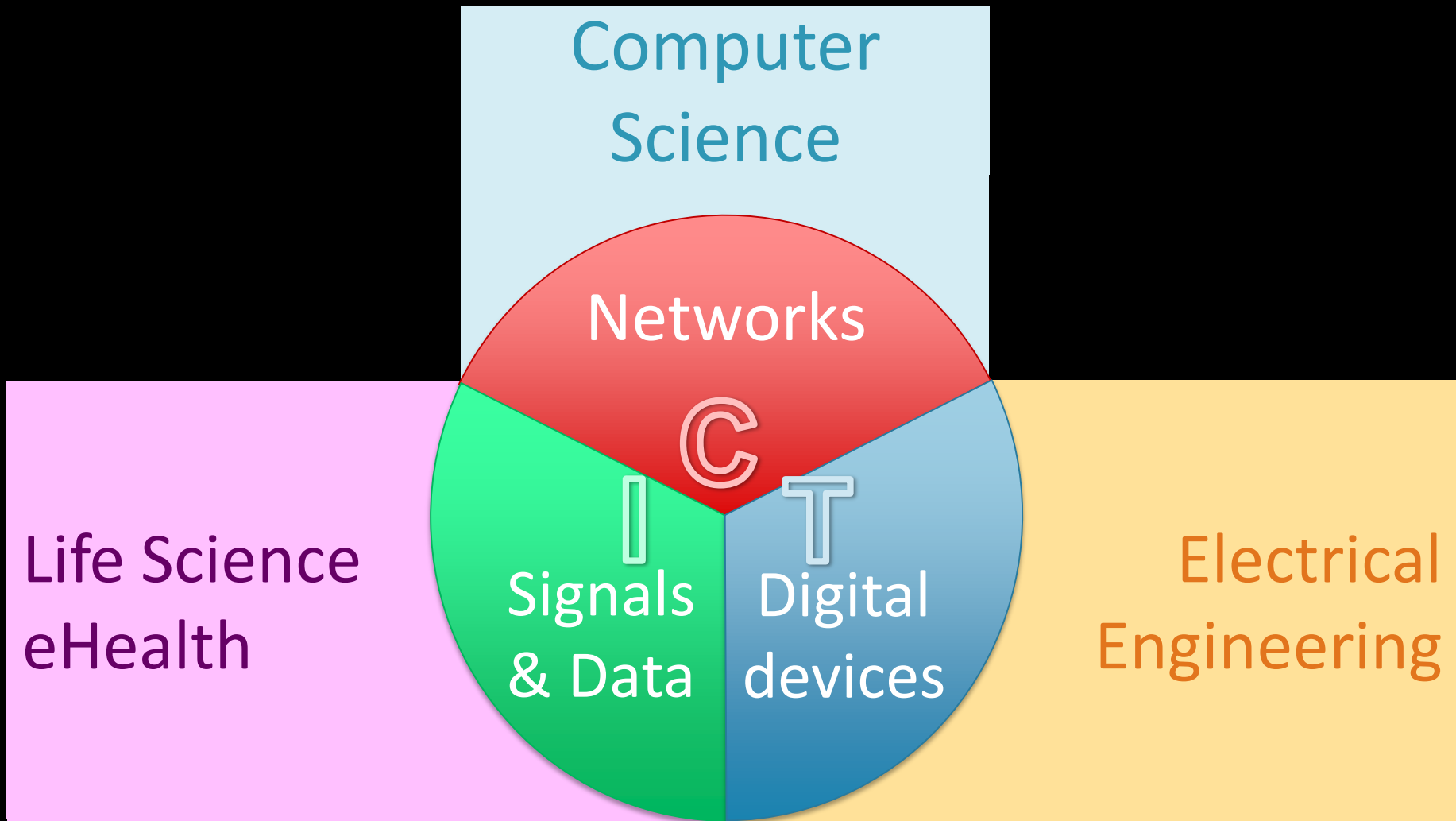
Nowadays \approx 50% world population is connected \rightarrow still wide margins for growth

Why Internet and multimedia?



- **Multimedia** = multiple information sources
- Also multiple ways to communicate
(Text, Video, Audio, Augmented reality...)
- The majority of Internet traffic is multimedia!

ICT: cornerstone of the Digital Era

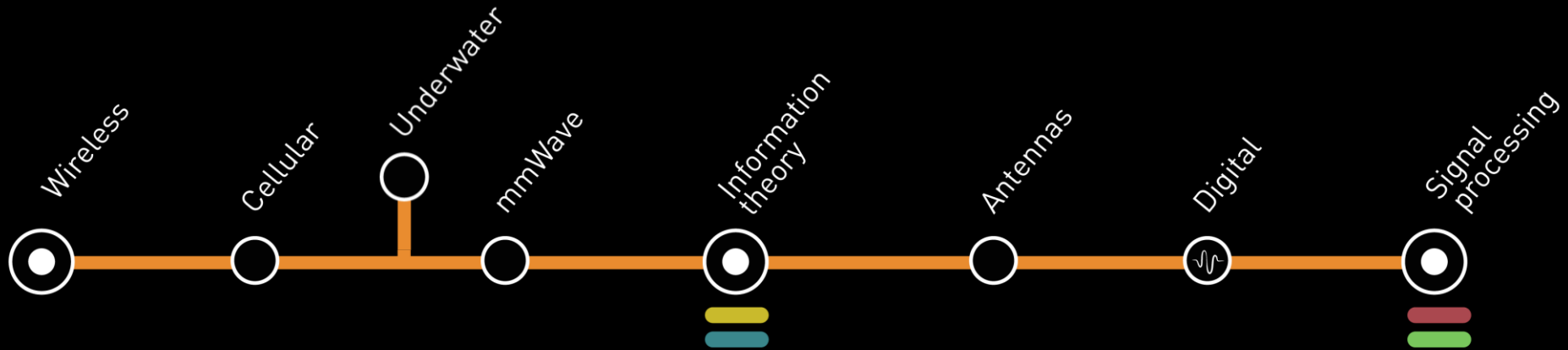


MIME

transit map



Communications route



Classical and revolutionary transmission techniques



Communications route



5G networks

broadband, low latency connectivity

access through stations: Cellular, mmWave

Massive MIMO

really many transmitting units

access through stations: Antennas, Inf.Theory

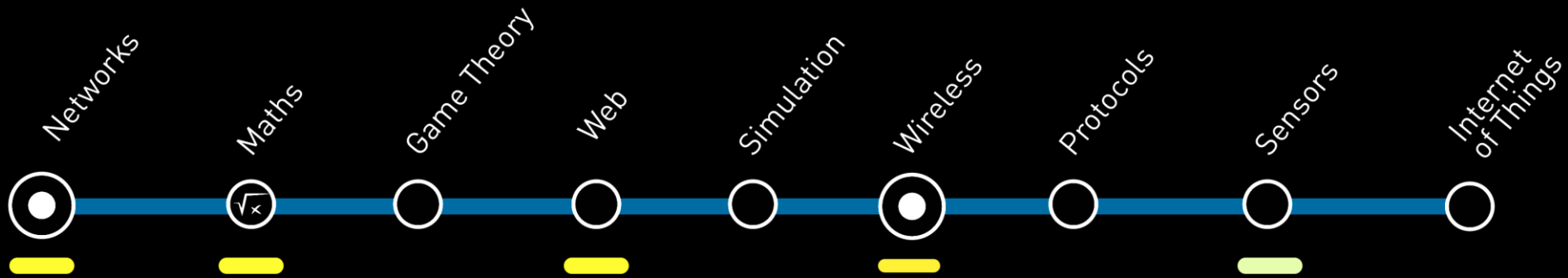


Acoustic communications

marine monitoring and networking

access through station: Underwater

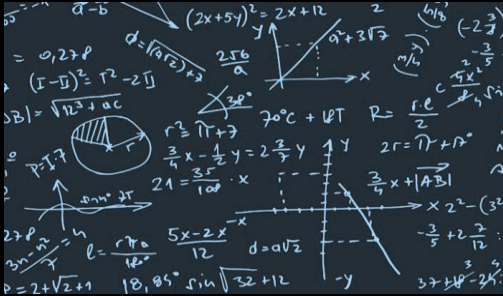
Internet route



Software applications through the entire protocol stack



Internet route



Mathematical models
understanding and designing the Internet
access through station: Maths

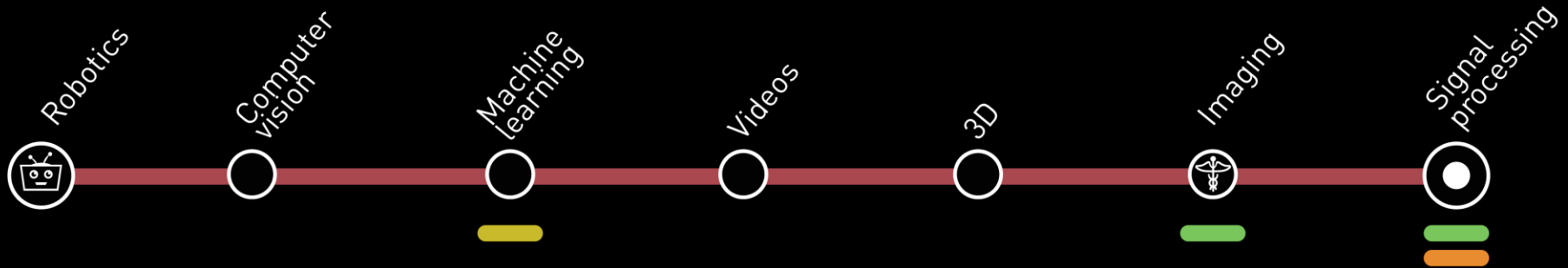
Cognitive and Software-defined
intelligence brought in the interconnection
access through stations: Networks, Game Theory



Smart cities

ubiquitous networking for public services
access through station: Internet of Things

Multimedia route



Multidimensional contents for data-hungry systems



Multimedia route



Immersive reality

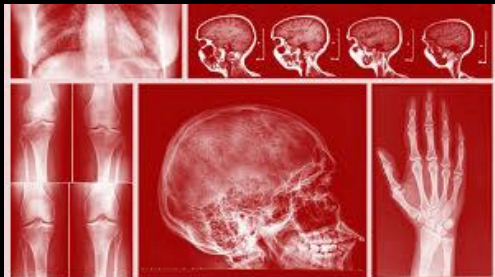
Delivering a full multimedia experience

access through station: 3D

Digitalized perception

Eyes, ears, brains of robots or autonomous cars

access through station: Computer vision



Medical signal processing

Advanced diagnosis and treatment

access through station: Imaging

Data analytics route



Systematic ways to
extract knowledge
from data

Data analytics route



Distributed data management
Querying the cloud from everywhere
access through station: Web

Biometrics

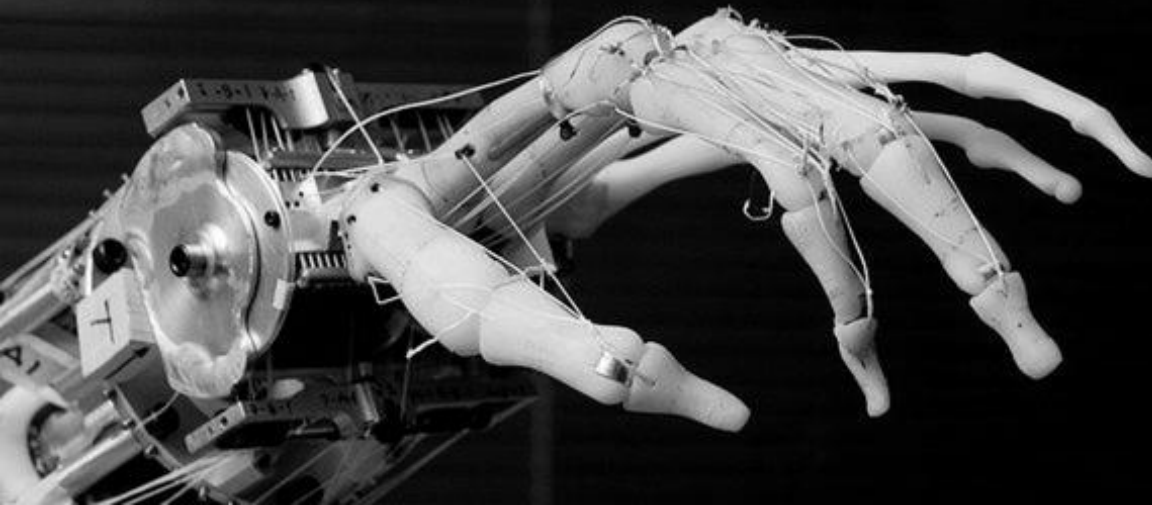
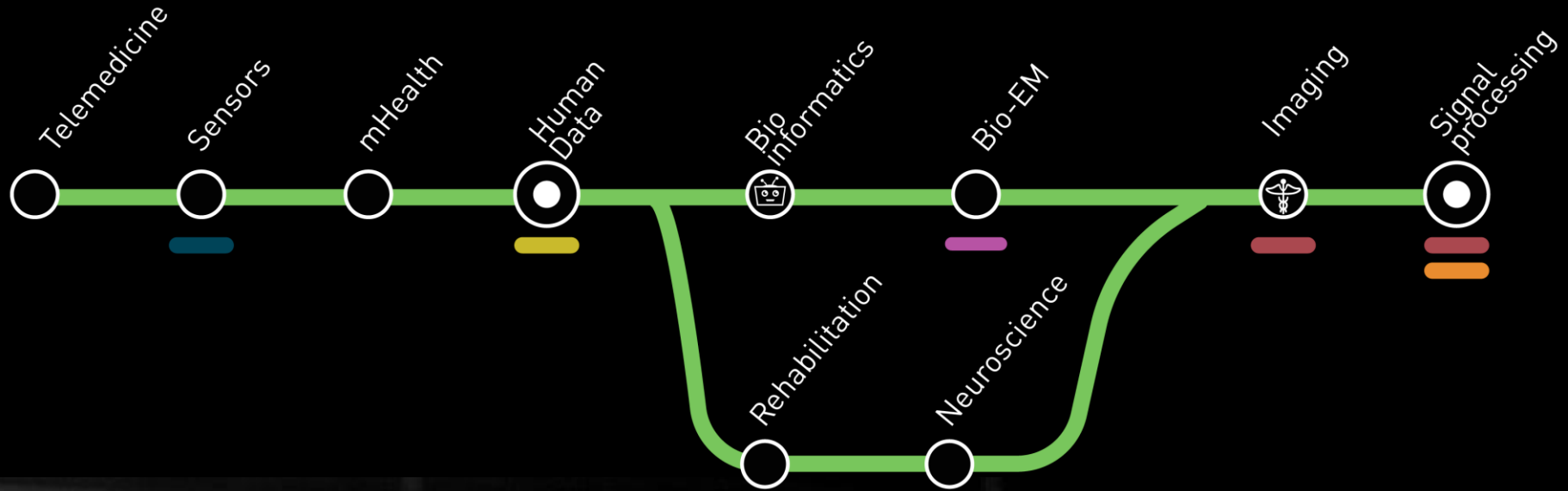
The human body as the sensing field
access through station: Human data



Deep learning

Unsupervised artificial intelligence
access through station: Machine learning

Quality of life route



IT expertise for
medical care and
mHealth scenarios

Quality of life route



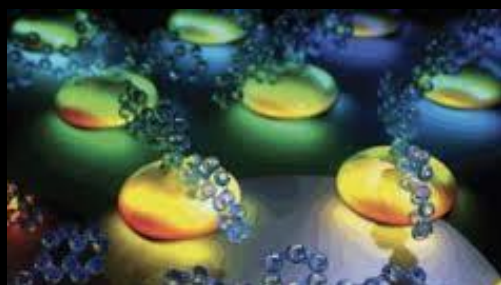
Digital health

Real-time communication for medical apps
access through station: Telemedicine

Brain computer interfaces

Neural training against degeneration

access through: Neuroscience, Rehabilitation

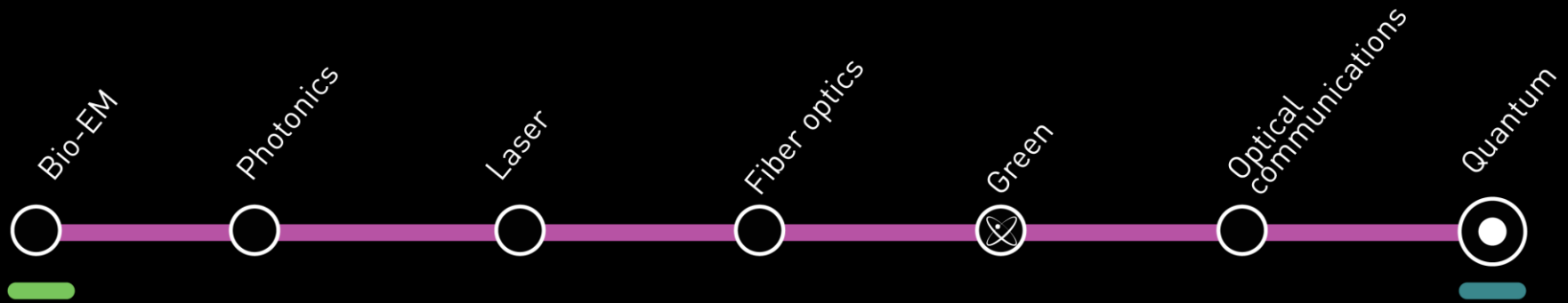


Molecular photonics

Non-invasive monitoring and diagnostics

access through station: Bio-EM

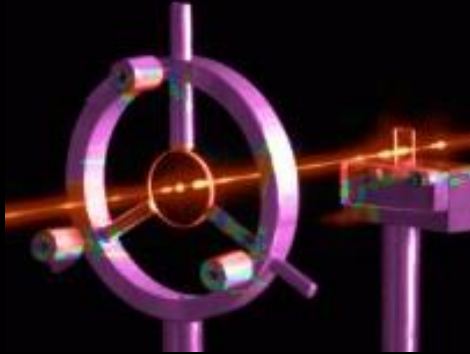
Nanotechnologies route



Reach nanoscale to communicate at the speed of light



Nanotechnologies route

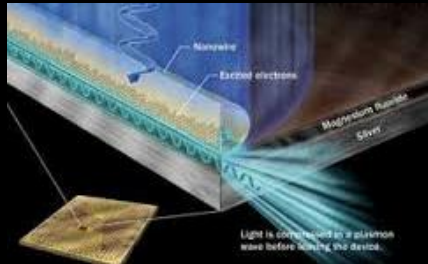


Photonic sensing

Monitoring through dielectric coupling
access through station: Fiber optics

Renewable energies

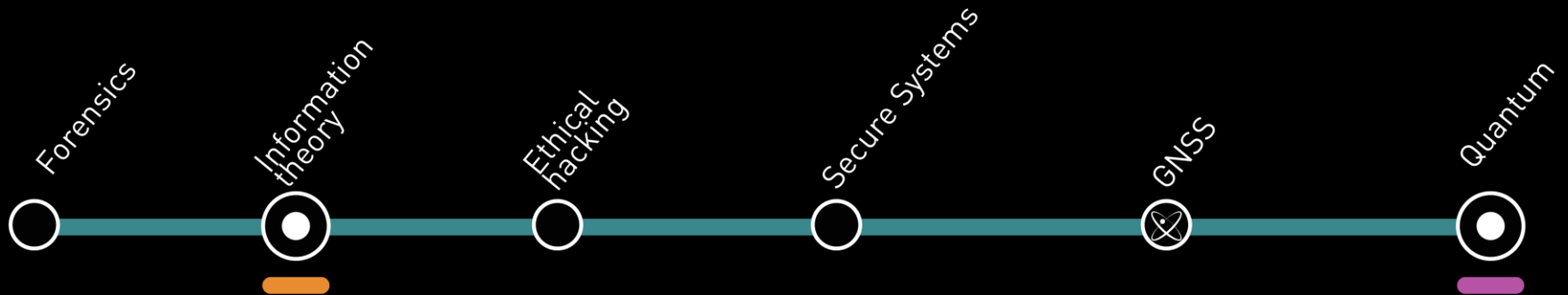
Smart exploitation of natural energy sources
access through station: Green



Plasmonics

Electron/photon coupling to go beyond λ
access through station: Photonics

Security route



Ensure privacy and data protection for cybersecure systems



Security route

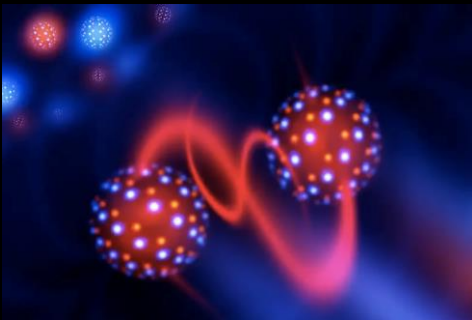


Secure satellite positioning

Preventing localization and navigation forging
access through station: GNSS

Digital crime fighting

Detecting false media and documents
access through station: Forensics



Quantum cryptography

Ultimate security through quantum physics
access through station: Quantum

To sum up


- Innovative scientific topics at the edge of new research horizons
- Matching all tastes from highly mathematical to applied and hands-on
- Interconnecting disciplines with a planned path (we don't just do "a bunch of cool stuff")



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International priority

International by design



Travel is fatal to prejudice,
bigotry, and narrow-mindedness,
and many of our people need
it sorely on these accounts



Mark Twain

TIME

completely in English

with many international
opportunities

Fully taught in English

- No English test required beforehand
- But you must understand (basic) English



Incoming students

- ICT for Internet and Multimedia is one of 20 UniPD's International Masters
- So far: 293 applicants (top of UniPD) from 41 countries

- applications are still ongoing



Incoming students

- Admitted so far

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Erasmus+

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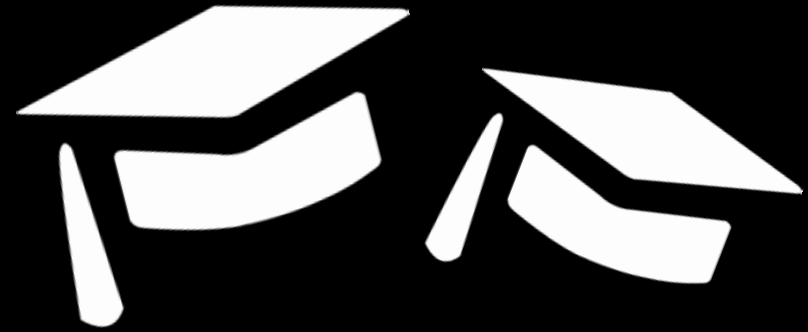
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	8 (incl. Canary)



and counting...



Double degrees



International agreements of Double Degree with top-ranked universities worldwide:

- National Taiwan University (2 positions)
- Universidad Politecnica de Madrid (2 positions)
- U. Jean Monnet Lyon-St.Etienne (in preparation)

Compared to similar programs (e.g TIME) you still get 2 degrees but in ~2 years, not 3

DD: how does it work?



- Apply halfway through 1st year → must earn 60 ECTS in Padova by September
- If selected, spend the 2nd year abroad
- Final thesis done and discussed abroad before a joint committee, also valid for Italian degree
- When abroad, scholarship at least 2×Erasmus for a period = $\min(\text{graduation}, 24 \text{ months})$



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Study plan



Master's degree ICT
Internet Multimedia Engineering

Frequently Asked Questions

- is it an engineering degree?
- is it a *Laurea Magistrale*?
- why do you call it a Master?



Admission

Holders of Italian degree $\geq 84/110$

with at least 50 ECTS credits in:

- maths (MAT/02, MAT/03, MAT/05, MAT/06)
- physics (FIS/01)
- computer science (INF/01, ING-INF/05)
- telecommunications (ING-INF/02, ING-INF/03)

Direct access for all of Padova's graduates in the Bachelor class L-8 (every "Laurea degree" of DEI)

Also the same holds for Math, Physics, CS @unipd and very likely for many other Italian graduates

- foreign candidates have their own evaluation track



Foundations



Recommended background in

- Signals and systems
- Probability and statistics
- Telecommunications

If in doubt about it → contact the teaching committee
Solutions available without courses before enrolling (e.g., Brixen)

No English certificate required, but

you need to prove/declare that you understand it

So if you have a certification, even better

- there is an English test within the program, anyways

Enrolment steps

1: Pre-enrolment
from June 17 on uniweb

2: Career evaluation

from June 17 on uniweb.unipd.it/valutazionetitoli
(actually another website!) – all students must do it!

You must perform BOTH - you can do 2 just after 1.

After receiving confirmation of that your career is ok:

3: Enrollment – also on uniweb until October 25



Study plan: what's new in 2019/20



EXAMS OF DIFFERENT SIZES
MANDATORY EXAMS
“SERIAL” COURSES

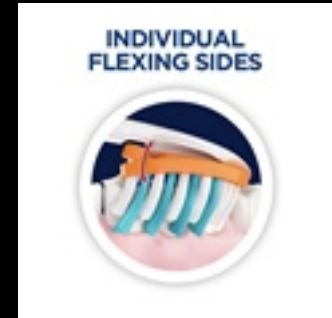


ALL COURSES = 6 CREDITS
HIGHEST FREEDOM OF CHOICE
“OPEN” COURSES

Common characteristics

Flexible

- Without mandatory exams
- All the exams are of 6 ECTS credits: just choose the preferred disciplines that fit you the most
- 12 ECTS credits (2 exams) are “fully elective”
→ you can take previously discarded subjects or even exams from another curriculum or degree



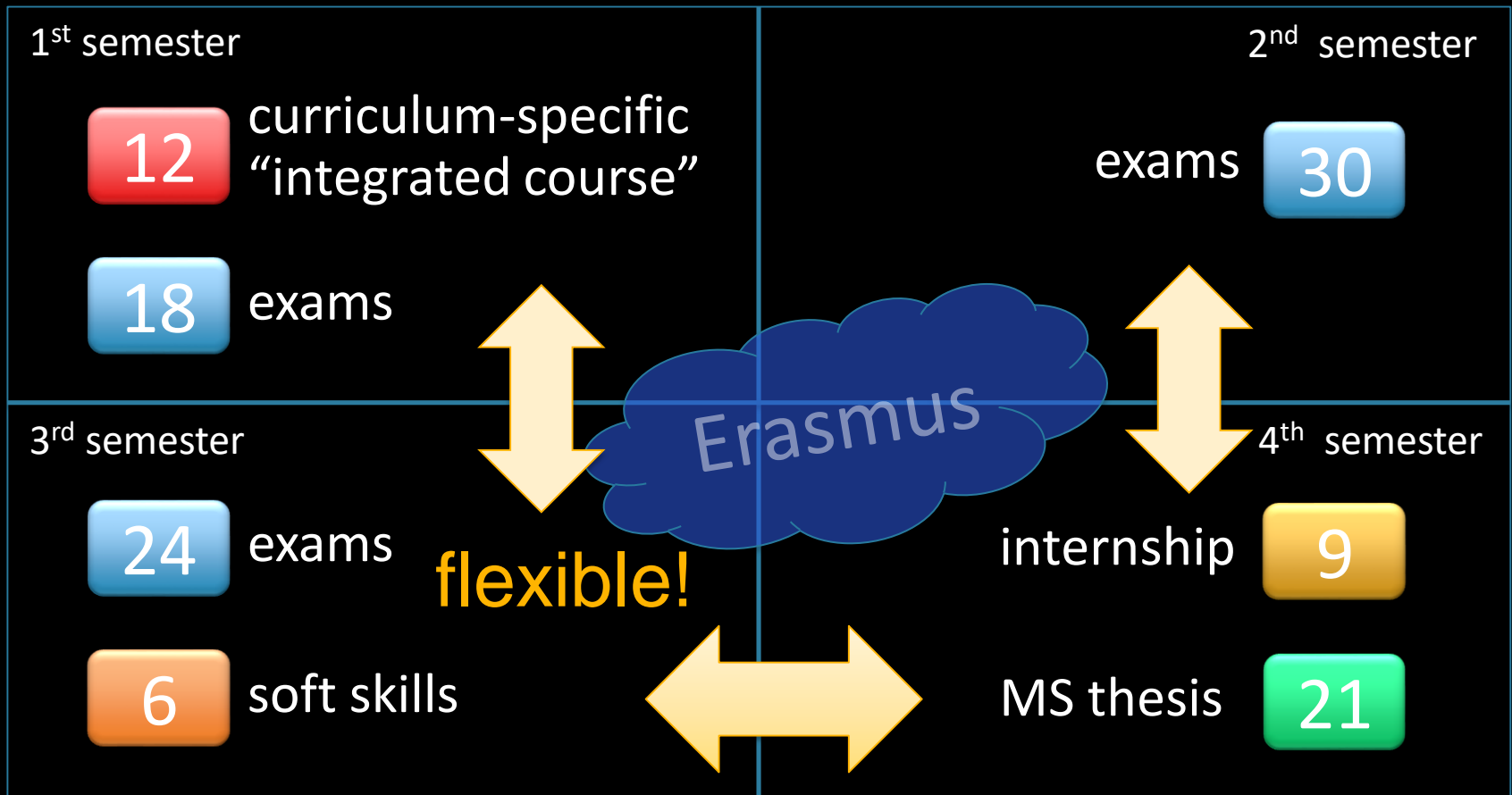
Common characteristics

Professional

- Internship of 9 ECTS credits
- Typically combined with the MS Thesis (21 ECTS credits) for an exam-free last semester
- 6 credits for “soft skills”
 - 3 for English B2 level
 - 3 for short courses on project management, public speaking in English or more



Typical study plan



Four areas of specialty = 4 curricula



Teaching committee



When in doubt about choices of curriculum or exams, ask the teaching committee!

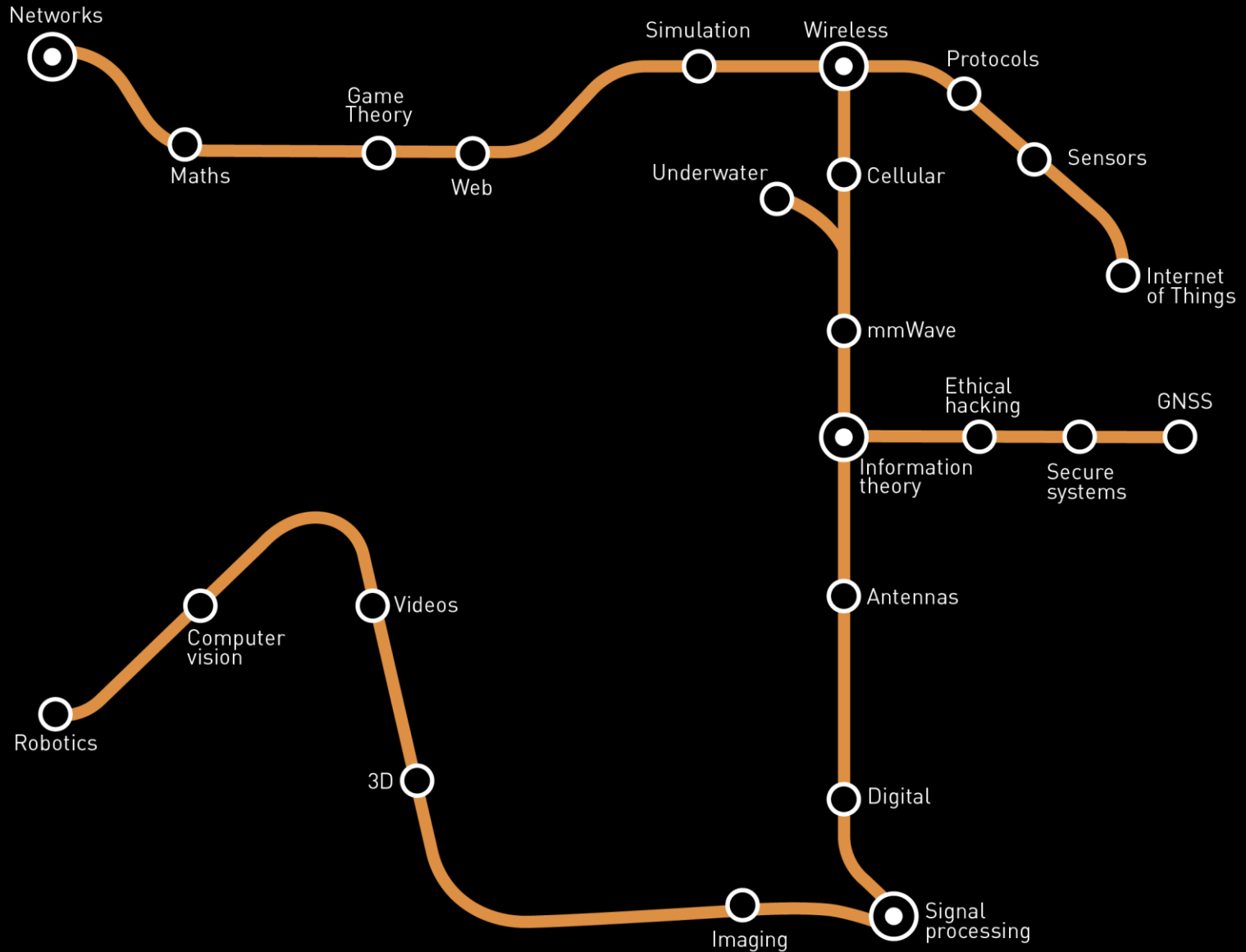
Simone Milani simone.milani@unipd.it

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You can also ask them how to handle Erasmus+ exchanges or recognition of past extra activity!



Telecommunications





Telecommunications

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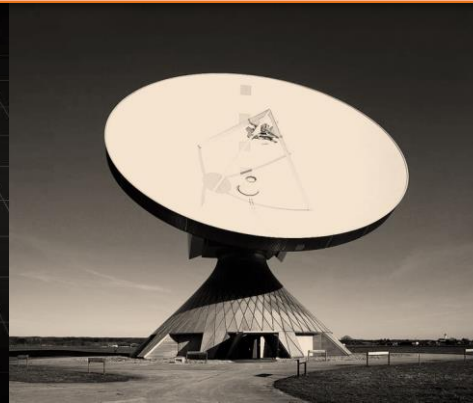


Motivation

Explore all layers from PHY to APP
ICT is the main enabler of Industry 4.0

Scenarios

Next generation wireless, antenna design, sensors
network optimization, security, multimedia, R&D





Telecommunications

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Telecommunication principles
= Wireless communications
+ Programming for telecom

CHOOSE 2 FROM

Databases
High level programming
Innovation and entrepreneurship
Optimization
Optoelectronics for green
Programmable hardware devices

CHOOSE 8 FROM

3D augmented reality
5G systems
Antennas
Communication network design
Computer vision
Digital communications
Digital signal processing
Fiber optics
Game theory
Information security
Internet
IoT and smart cities
Machine learning
Multimedia coding
Network analysis and simulation
Network coding
Optical and quantum communications
Optical networks
Stochastic processes



Internships at ...

ARRI
MÜNCHEN (DE)

Signal processing
for digital cinema



Fiat Chrysler
Automobiles
TURIN / USA

5G vehicular
communications



Huawei
MILAN / CHINA

Cellular
networks R&D



Wind Tre
VENICE

National telco
operator



World Sensing
BARCELONA (ES)

Wireless sensors
monitoring



RFI
MESTRE (VE)

Railway
network



Telenor
OSLO (NO)

National telco
operator



CAME SpA
DOSSON DI CASIER
(TV)

Safe access



Gavia systems
ROVIGO

Public WiFi
services



Bft Spa
SCHIO (VI)

Domotic and
automation



Is it a good choice for me?

Strong **mathematical** background is needed

- especially in probability and signal theory

Many courses are **project**-oriented

- be careful not to pick too demanding tasks

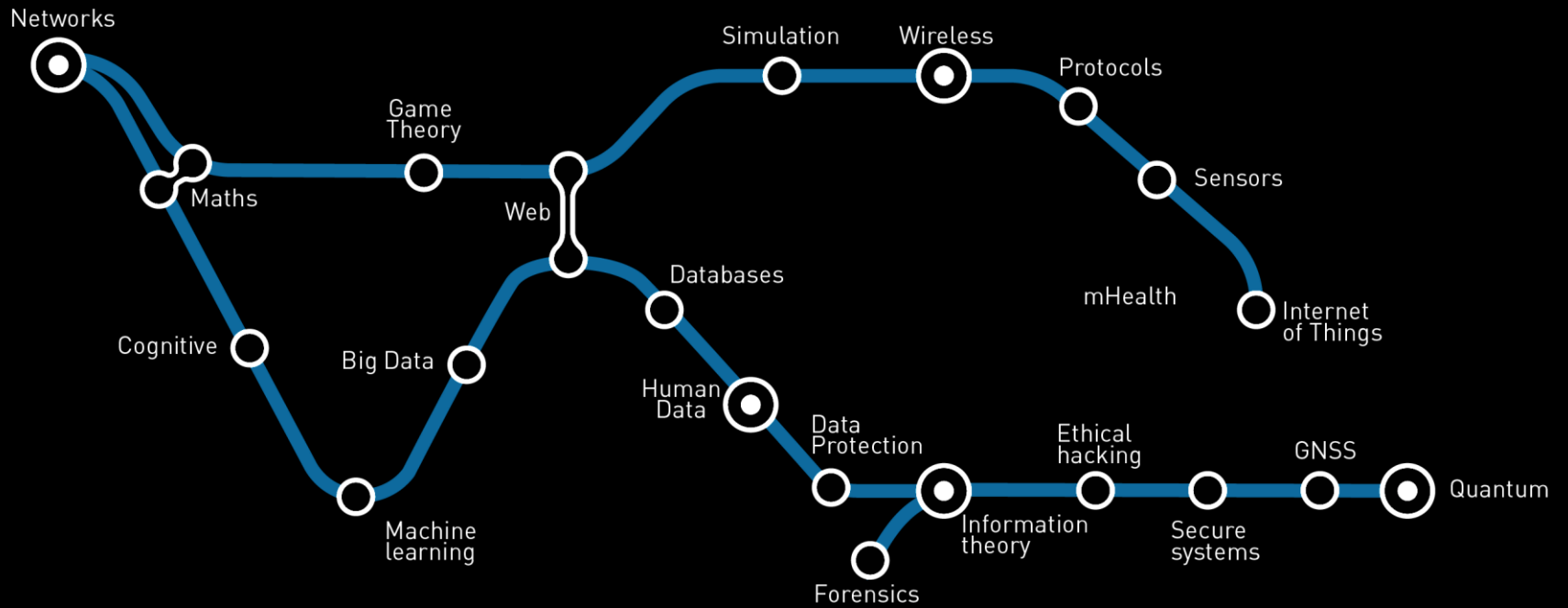
Mostly focuses on **telecommunications**

- did you like your “fundamentals” course?





Cybersystems





Cybersystems

Motivation

System interconnection opens up new horizons ,
inspiring challenges... and amazing job opportunities!

Scenarios

The third platform: Social, Mobile, Analytics, Cloud
Automotive, Tactile Internet, WWW, Blockchain



Shannon





Cybersystems

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Network systems
= Network science
+ Internet
Databases

CHOOSE 2 FROM

Big data computing
Cryptography
Graph theory
High level programming
Optimization
Web applications

CHOOSE 7 FROM

3D augmented reality
Communication network design
Computer vision
Digital forensics
Digital signal processing
Game theory
Human data analytics
Information security
IoT and smart cities
Machine learning
Multimedia coding
Network analysis and simulation
Network coding
Stochastic processes
Wireless communications



Internships at ...

Sanmarco
Informatica

GRISIGNANO DI
ZOCCO (VI)

IT Solutions



Teypra SRL

ROVIGO

IoT connected
devices



Sony Eutec

STUTTGART (DE)

Multimedia
R&D



Mida Solutions

PADOVA

Voice & data app
virtualization



Uqido

PADOVA

IoT / Blockchain
Software eng.



Aquifi

PALO ALTO (US)

3D vision



solidThinking

VICENZA / USA

3D rendering



Nokia Bell Labs

DUBLIN (IR)

Low power
networking



Altran Italia

ROME

5G, video 3D,
cybersecurity



Athonet

BOLZANO VICENTINO (VI)

Software defined
networking



Is it a good choice for me?

A mixture of **math**, **computer science**, **telecom**

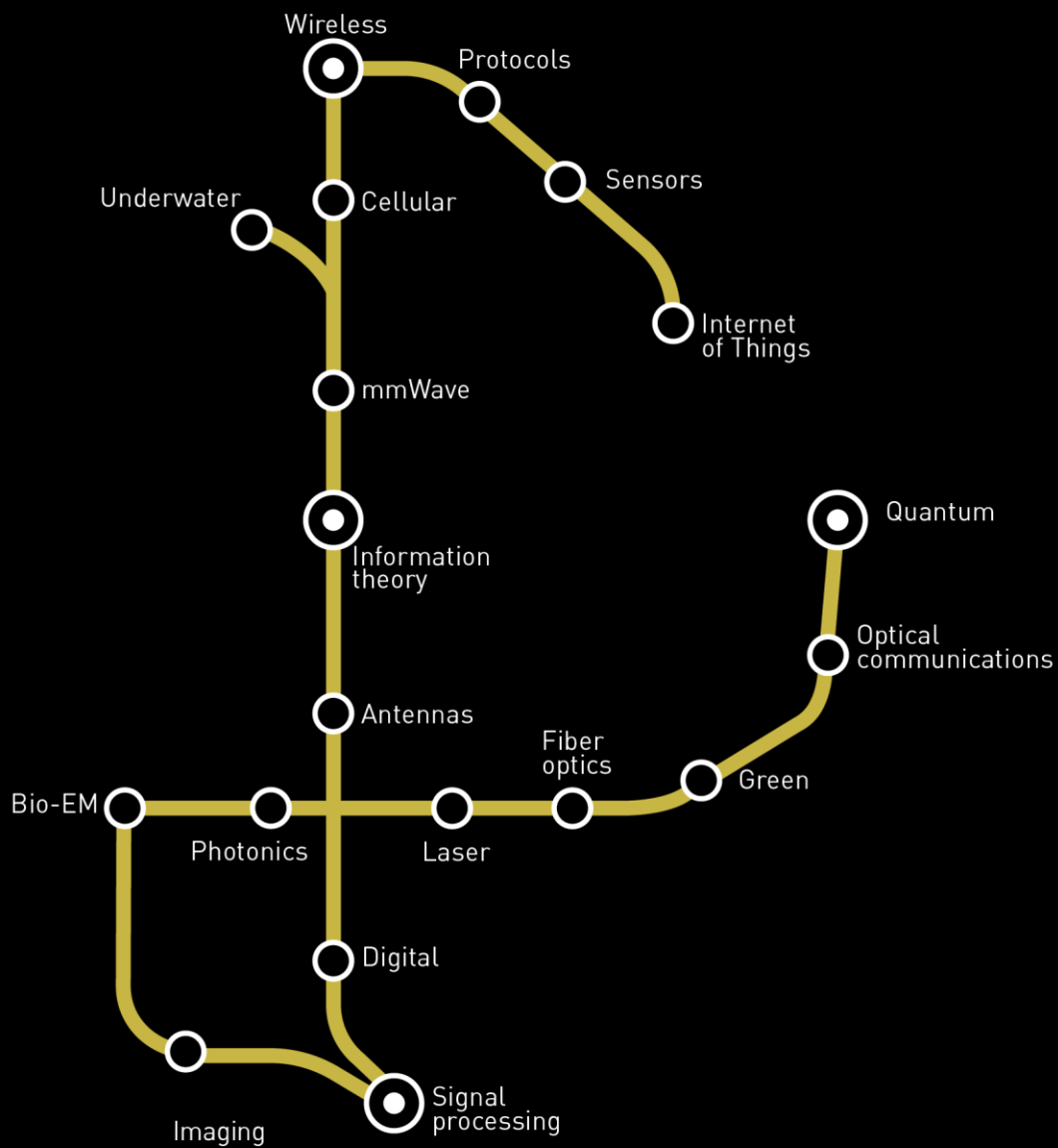
- you certainly need good programming skills

A **system-wide** perspective, with an eye on **cross-disciplinary** topics, and an **open mindset**





Photonics





Photonics

Hikari

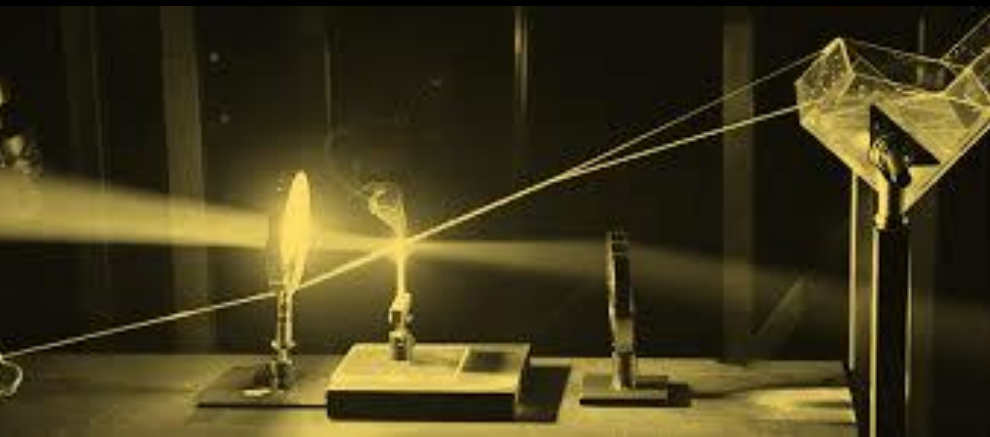


Motivation

Photonics and light-based technologies are drivers of this century's industry

Scenarios

Hyperspectral analysis, earthquake monitoring, optical neurosynaptic networks, quantum computers





Photonics

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Photonic technologies
= Fiber optics
+ Photonic devices
Molecular photonics

CHOOSE 2 FROM

Nanostructured materials
Optoelectronics for green
Photovoltaic science and technology
Quantum information and computing
Quantum optics and laser

CHOOSE 7 FROM

5G systems
Antennas
Biophotonics
Digital communications
Digital signal processing
Information theory
Internet
IoT and smart cities
Machine learning
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Optical and quantum communications
Optical networks
Programmable hardware devices
Wireless communications



Internships at ...

Leonardo
CARSOLI (AQ)

Thin films for
space optics



Qascom
BASSANO DEL
GRAPPA (VI)

Secure satellite
communications



DeltaOhm
PADOVA

Photo radiometric
sensors



CEIT
MONSELICE (PD) /
SVIZZERA

Fiber optical
networks



NTSG
ROMA

Fiber sensing
and monitoring



Calero Antenne
ISOLA VICENTINA (VI)

Antennas for 5G
and automotive



Infineon
PADOVA / AUSTRIA

Semiconductors
and IoT



Adant
PADOVA

Reconfigurable
antennas



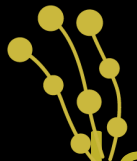
SIT
PADOVA

Measurement
for safety



Nidek Medical
ALBIGNASEGO (PD)
/ GIAPPONE

Optometrical
instrumentation



Is it a good choice for me?

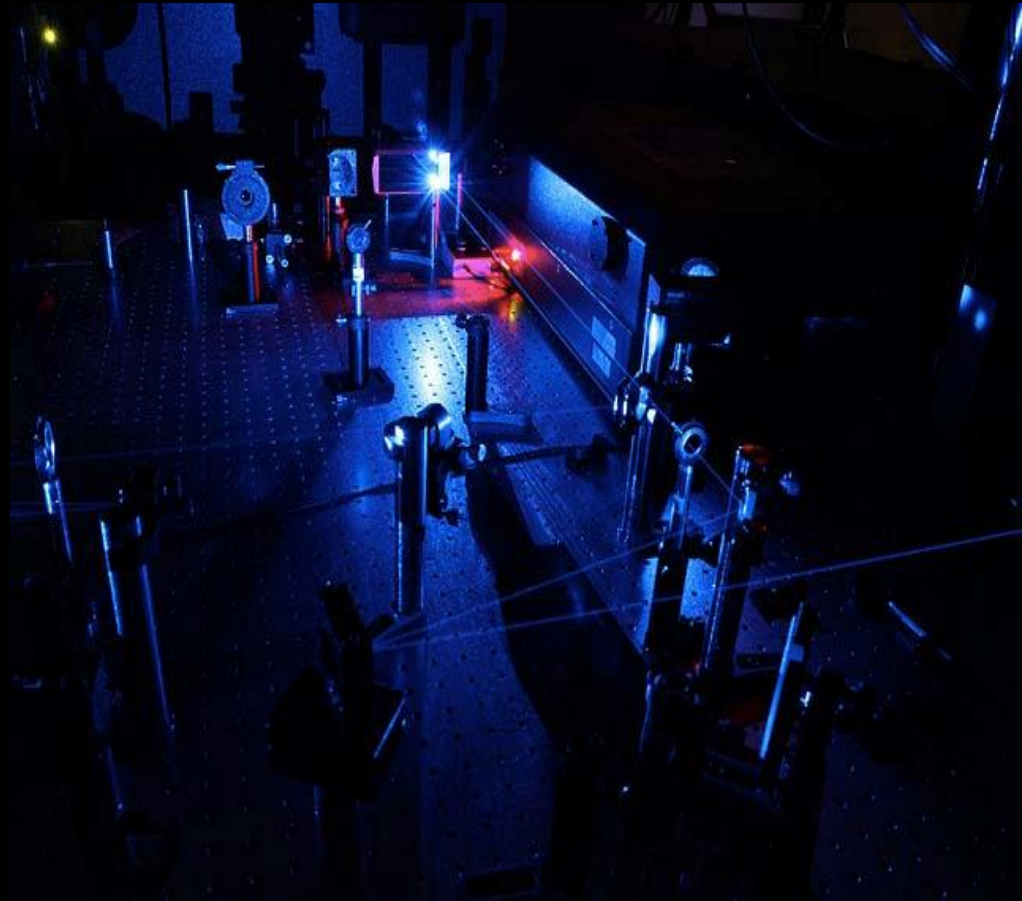
Your proficiency in **physics** will be put to the test

- electromagnetism, quantum, physics of matter

But you need a very **engineering** attitude

- laboratory activity is really important here

(yes, this is our **real lab** and not a stock picture)





Life & Health

Networks



Maths



Cognitive



Big Data

Machine learning



Rehabilitation



Neuroscience

Web



Human Data



Databases



Data Protection



Forensics



Bioinformatics



Bio-EM



Imaging



Information theory



Signal processing



mHealth



Sensors



Telemedicine



Life & Health

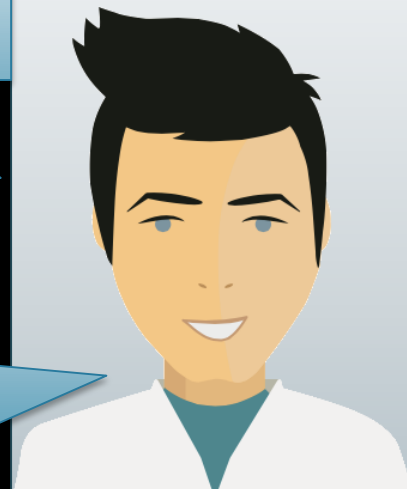
Motivation

ICT improves well-being with pervasive monitoring, prevention/cure, rehabilitation

Scenarios

Neuroscience, augmented reality, genomics, stroke/accident prevention, healthy ageing, sport, wearable sensors, everyday life

Vito





Life & Health

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Digital health
= Digital signal processing
+ eHealth
Machine learning

CHOOSE 3 FROM

Clinical engineering
Computational genomics
Human computer interaction
Imaging for neuroscience
Life data epidemiology
Molecular photonics
Neurorehabilitation and BCI
Quantitative life science
Sports engineering and rehab

CHOOSE 6 FROM

3D augmented reality
Biophotonics
Computer vision
Digital forensics
Game theory
Human data analytics
Internet
IoT and smart cities
Multimedia coding
Network science
Neural networks and deep learning
Stochastic processes
Wireless communications



Internships at ...

Malvestio

VILLANOVA DI
CAMPOSAMPIERO (PD)

Sensors for
hospital bed



Khymeia

NOVENTA PADOVANA
(PD)

Virtual reality for
neurorehab



Policlinico

Sant'Orsola
BOLOGNA

Infectious
diseases unit



BrainTrends

ROMA

Brain biosignal
sensing



Phoenix RTO

PADOVA

Hyperspectral
for agrifood



AMPED
TRIESTE

Forensics
multimedia



Nidek Medical
ALBIGNASEGO (PD) /
GIAPPONE

Ophthalmology
ocular diagnosis



Inst. Behavioral
Neurobiology
TUBINGEN (D)

Paralysis/stroke
monitoring



WYSS Center
ZURICH (CH)

FMRI-BCI analysis,
Neuroprosthetics



Inst. Tecnológico
de Canarias
CANARY ISLANDS (E)

CAD for bone
reconstruction



Is it a good choice for me?

Requires interest in both **ICT** & **medical** subjects

- you must acquire solid skills in both areas; thus, also math, computer science, telecommunications
- a rigorous **engineering** program

Note that you **will not** find:

- general courses in chemistry or physiology
- courses of biology, biomechanics, biomaterials



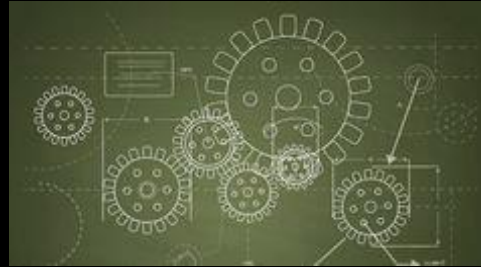
Goal

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Automazione



Telecommunications



Informatica



Cybersystems



Elettronica



Photonics



Biomedica



Life&Health



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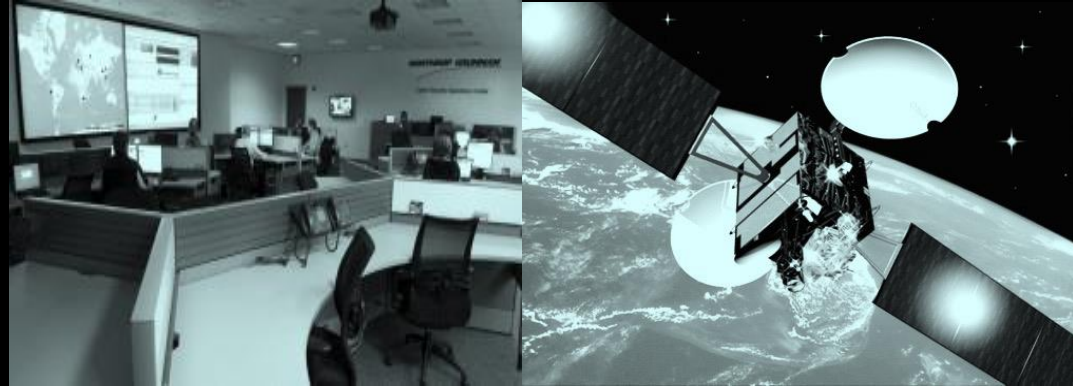
Job market

IMPRESSIVE. MOST IMPRESSIVE.

BUT WHAT ABOUT JOB PROSPECTS?

A double track for the job market

Enterprises working
on ICT
from hardware to software,
access/transport/application



Enterprises working
using ICT
networking, data analytics,
security, energy efficiency



Job market

Local and global enterprises



Abroad for education or work



R&D at universities or research centers



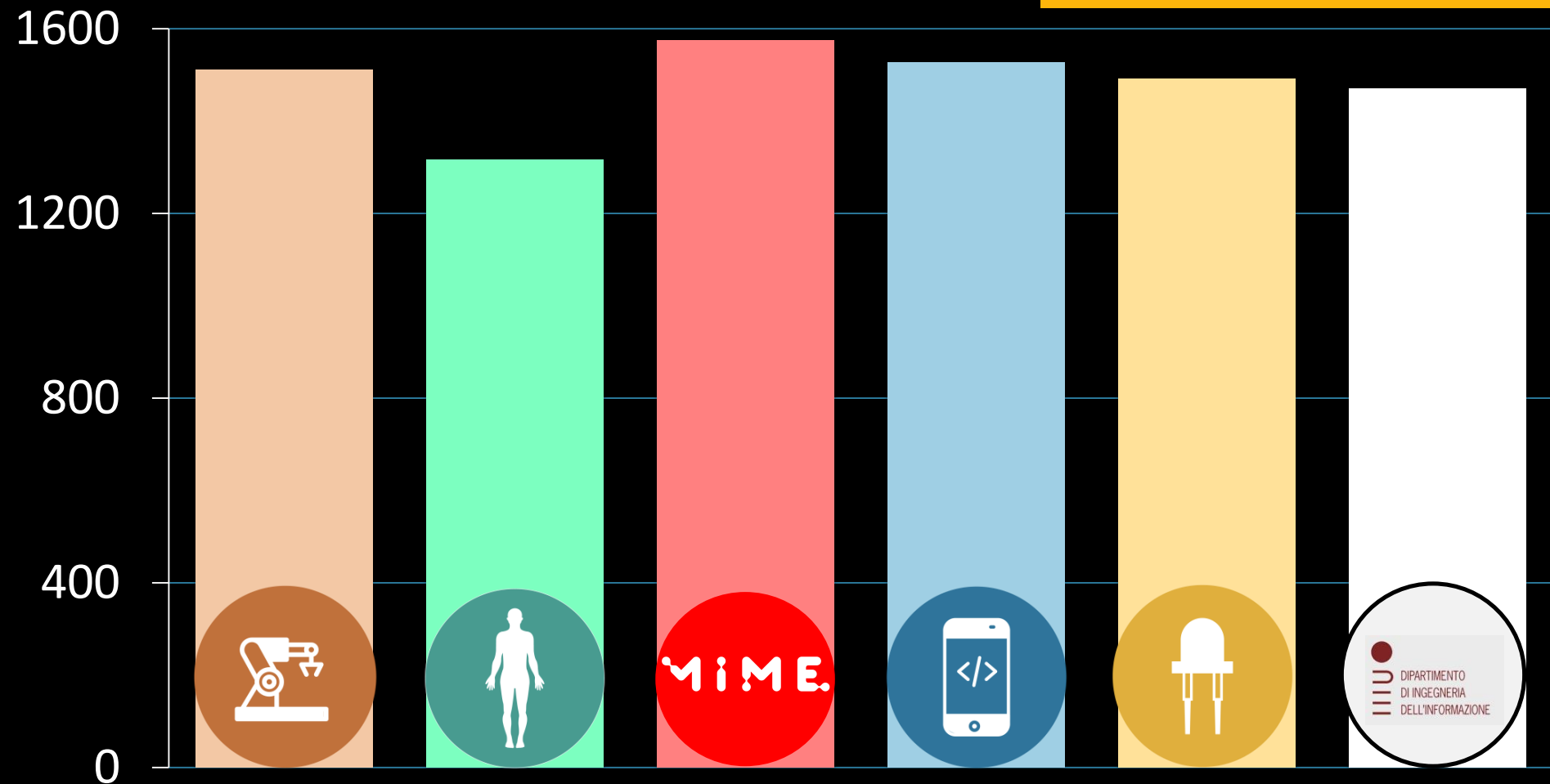
Internship options



Monthly salary after 1 year

Graduates of 2017

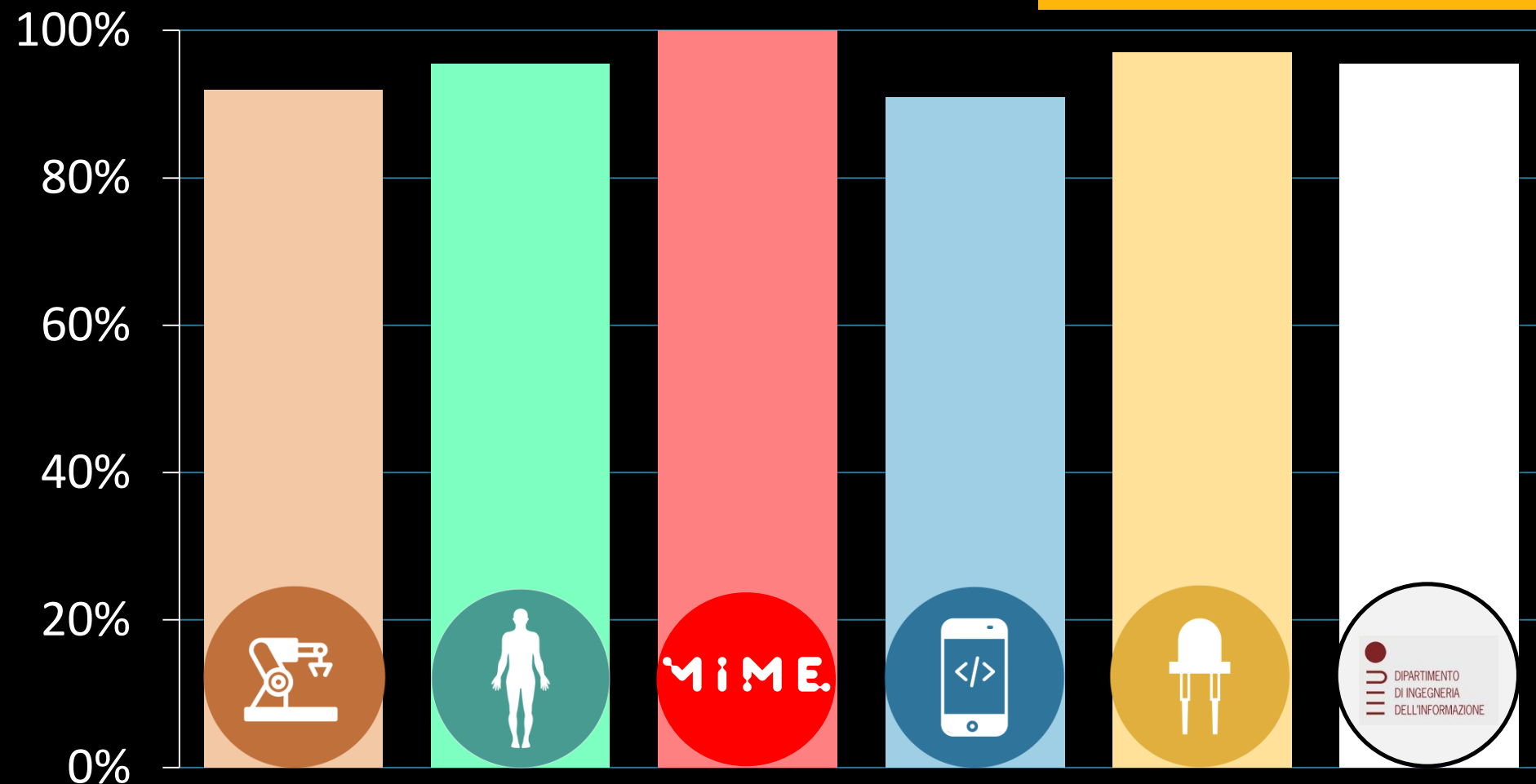
source: XX survey



Employment rate after 1 year

Graduates of 2017

source: XX survey

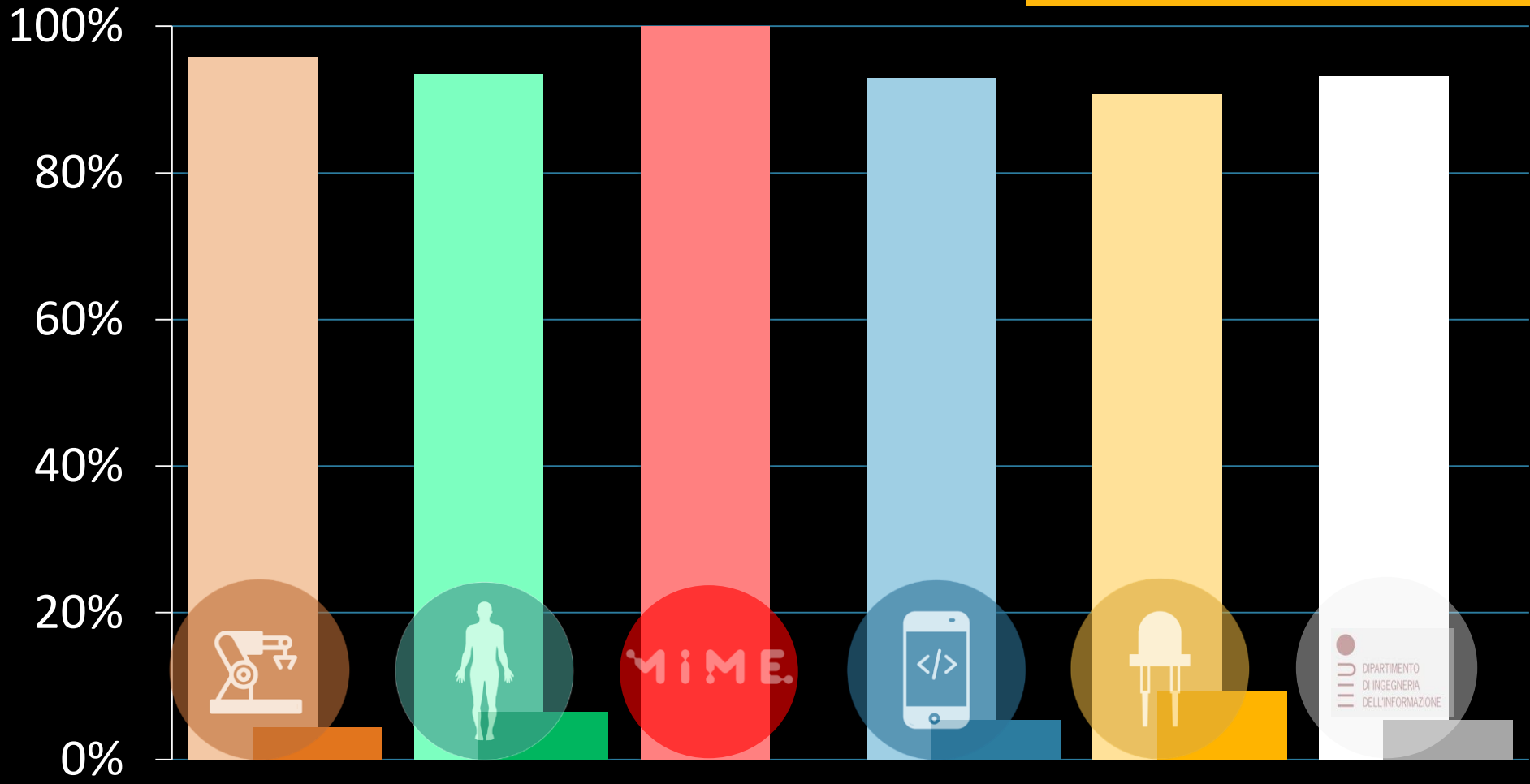


Satisfaction rate about the program

(yes = light, no = dark)

source: XX survey

Graduates of 2018

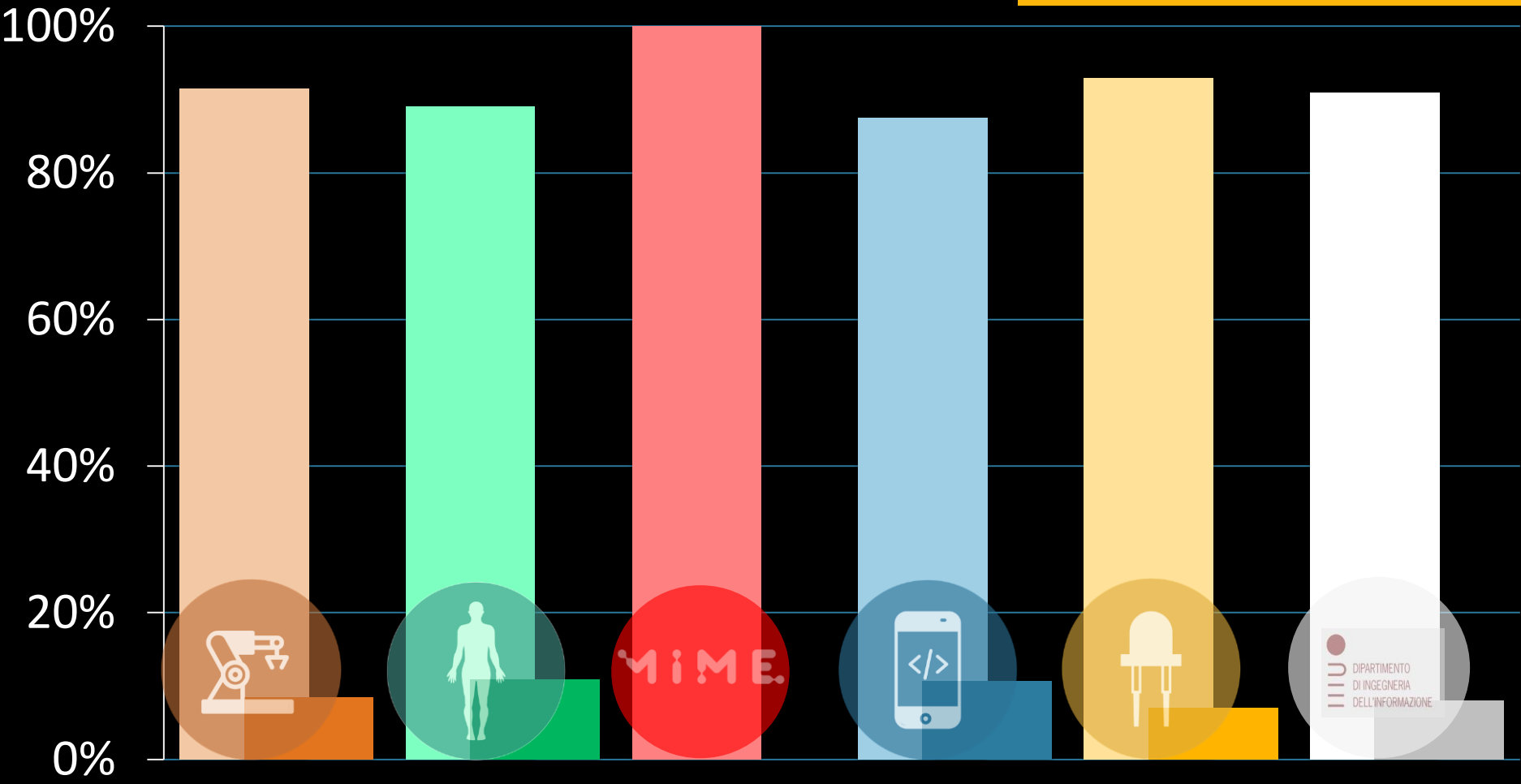


Satisfaction rate about the lecturers

(yes = light, no = dark)

Graduates of 2018

source: XX survey

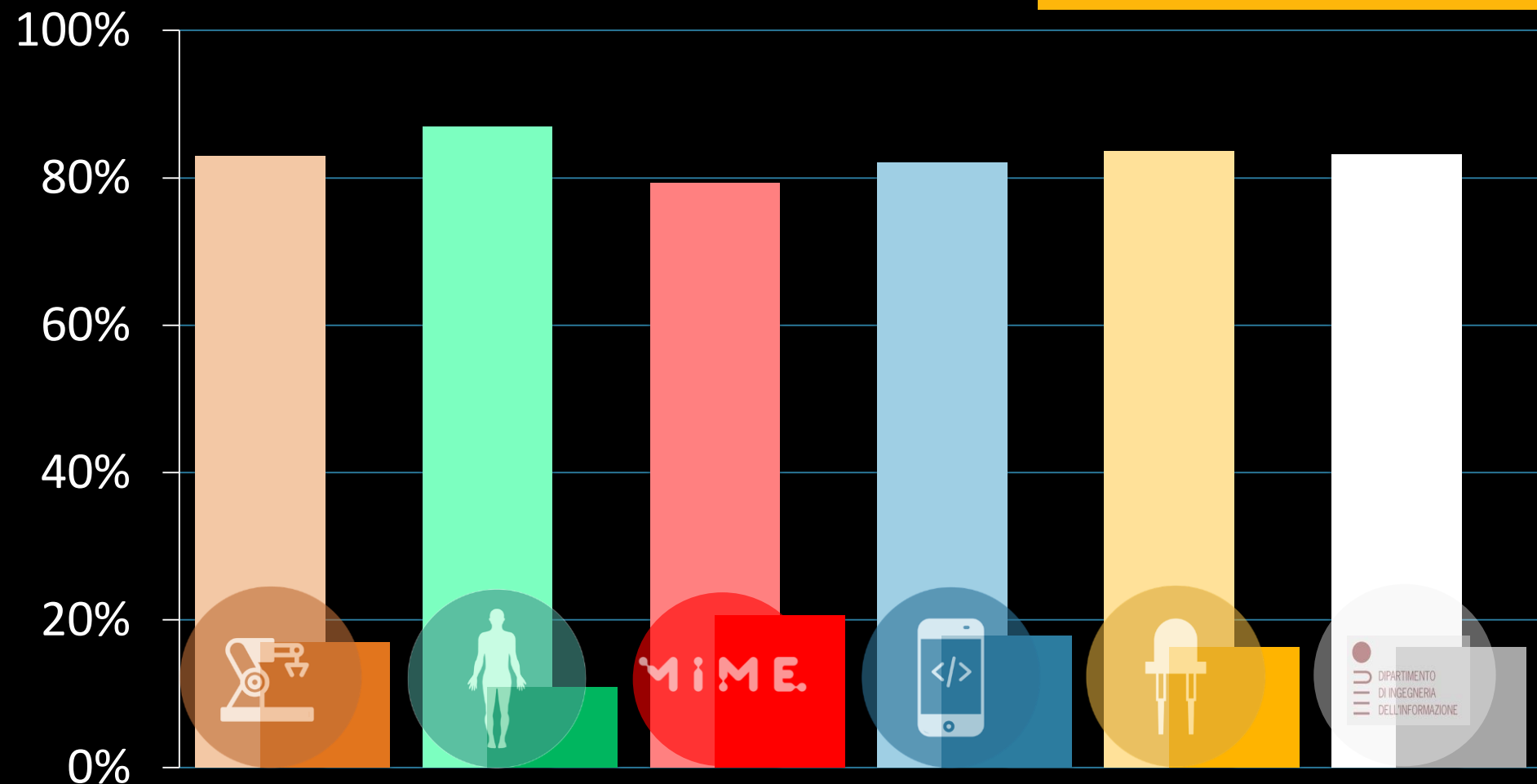


How is the teaching load?

(light or heavy = dark)

Graduates of 2018

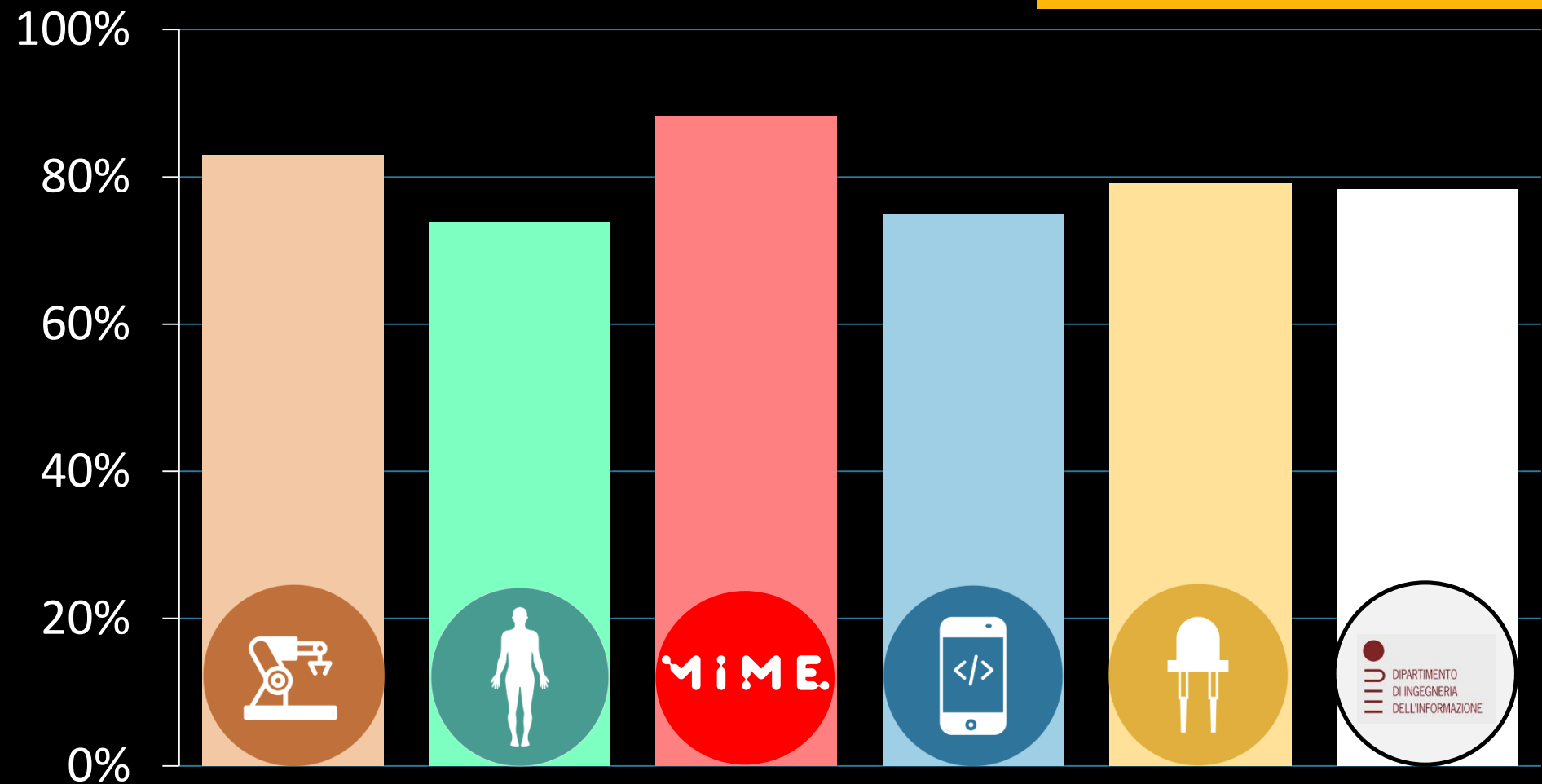
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Would you choose it again?

Graduates of 2018

source: XX survey

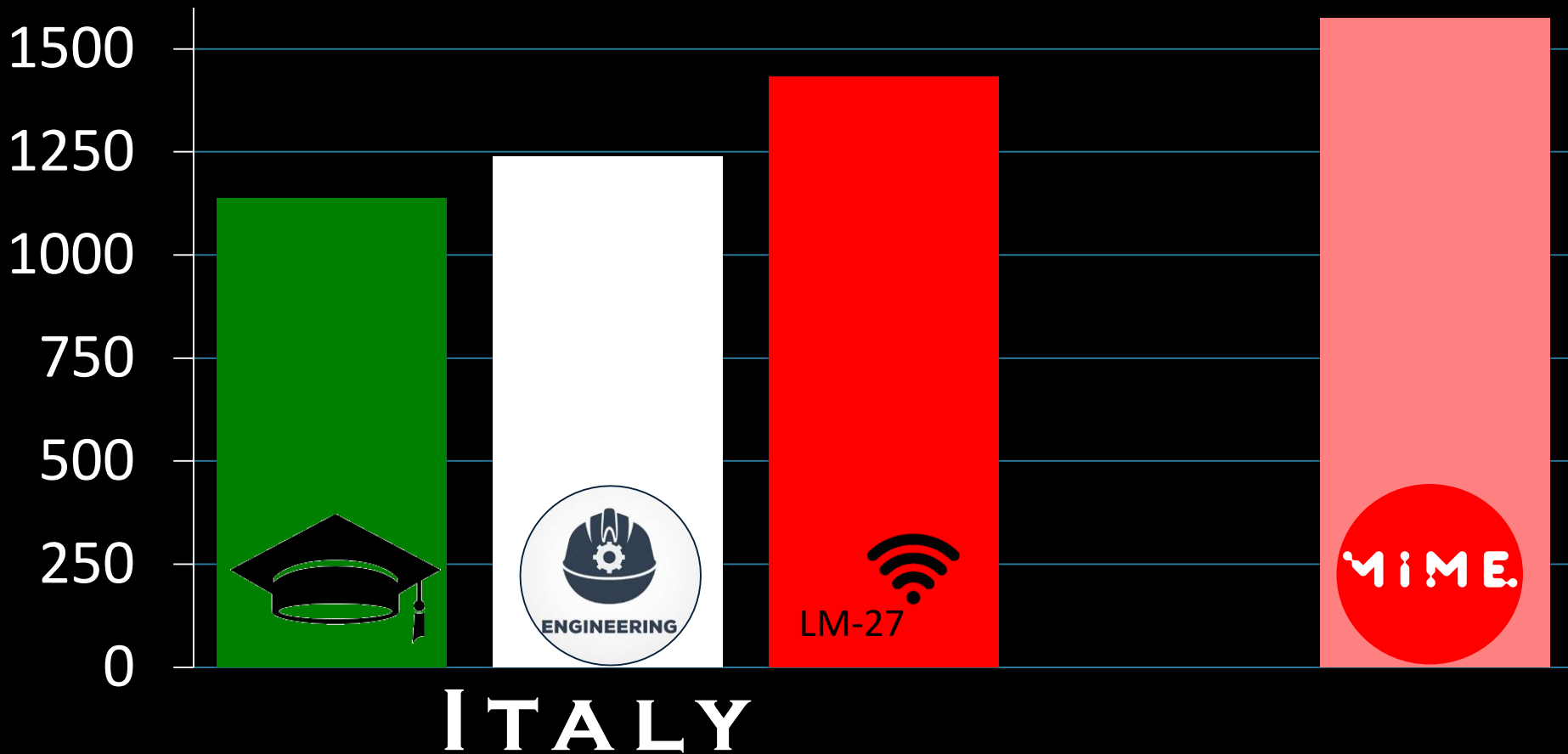


Monthly salary after 1 year

(comparison with Italy)

Graduates of 2017

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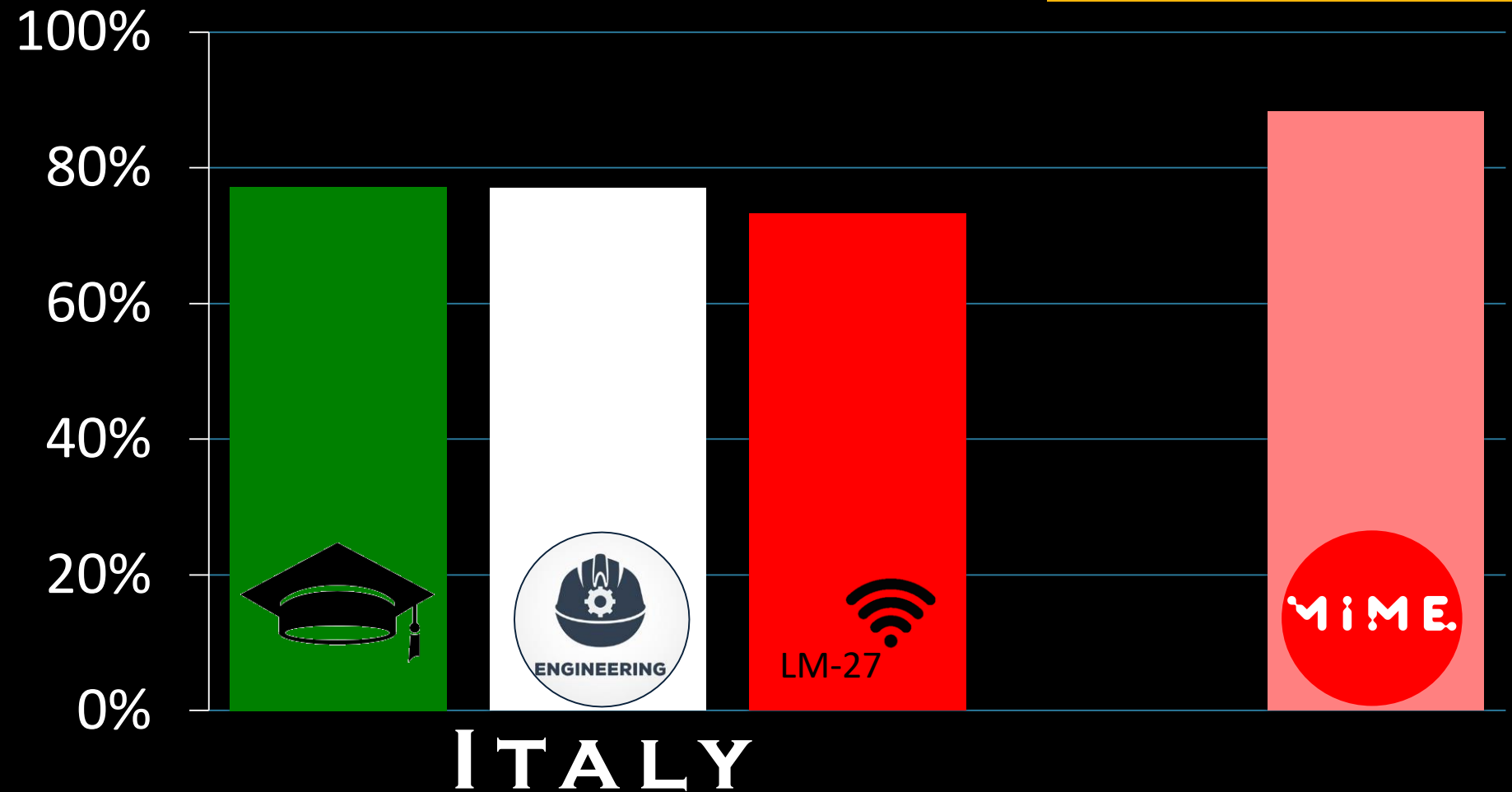


Would you choose it again?

(comparison with Italy)

Graduates of 2018

source: XX survey



Other data

source: XX survey



- Average duration of studies: 2.6 years
(also includes Double Degree students)
- Average graduation mark: 108.1
- Had an experience abroad: 35%
(note: another ~25% are foreign nationals)
- Average time from graduation to 1st job:
2.0 months

After the degree: PhD?

About 30% of graduates of our MSc pursue higher education toward a PhD

Our department offers a highly qualified PhD program in Information Engineering

Graduates of the last 10yrs from our MSc+PHD are now

- Professors/academic researchers: Purdue, Irvine, UC3M Madrid, Malaysia Pahang, New York Univ, Univ. Firenze, Michigan, Porto, San Diego, Kentucky, Dresden, Aalborg, Rochester, Norce Bergen Norway
- Industrial project engineers: Gameloft, Nokia, Ublox, Athonet, TIM, Qascom, SIAV, Aquifi, Ceam, Mount Sinai Hospitals NY, Wind-tre, McKinsey, Urbana Smart, ElettronicaBiomedicale, DLR, Calero Antenne, ESA, Cisco, Microsoft



PhD



award

- A scholarship/award assigned to promising students to help them pursue the degree in “ICT for Internet and multimedia”
- Based on: (i) academic track record;
(ii) interview with the Evaluation Committee
- 2 awarded prizes of 5000 euros each
- The call will be out soon: check the website www.unipd.it/borse-premi-studio-studenti

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