Management, be it multiaccess, resource, mobility or network management, is a key aspect in the design, deployment and operation of current and future networks. The fast growth and adoption of novel techniques and technologies (for instance, virtualization, cloud computing and software defined networking) pose new management challenges that must be addressed. Although some of them are already used in telecommunication networks, the full potential that can be achieved is yet to be realized.

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- Future Internet architectures with smart objects
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