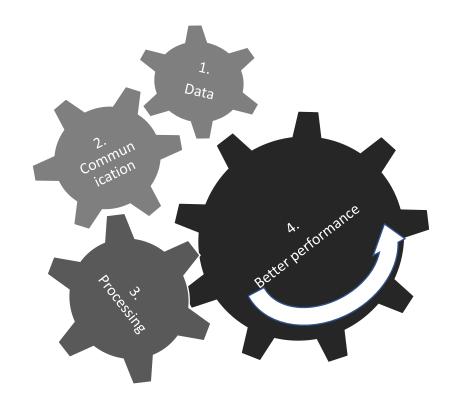
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ADVANCED DIGITAL SYSTEMS

What they do, how they work & their crucial role in shipping's strategy for global cargo transport & emissions



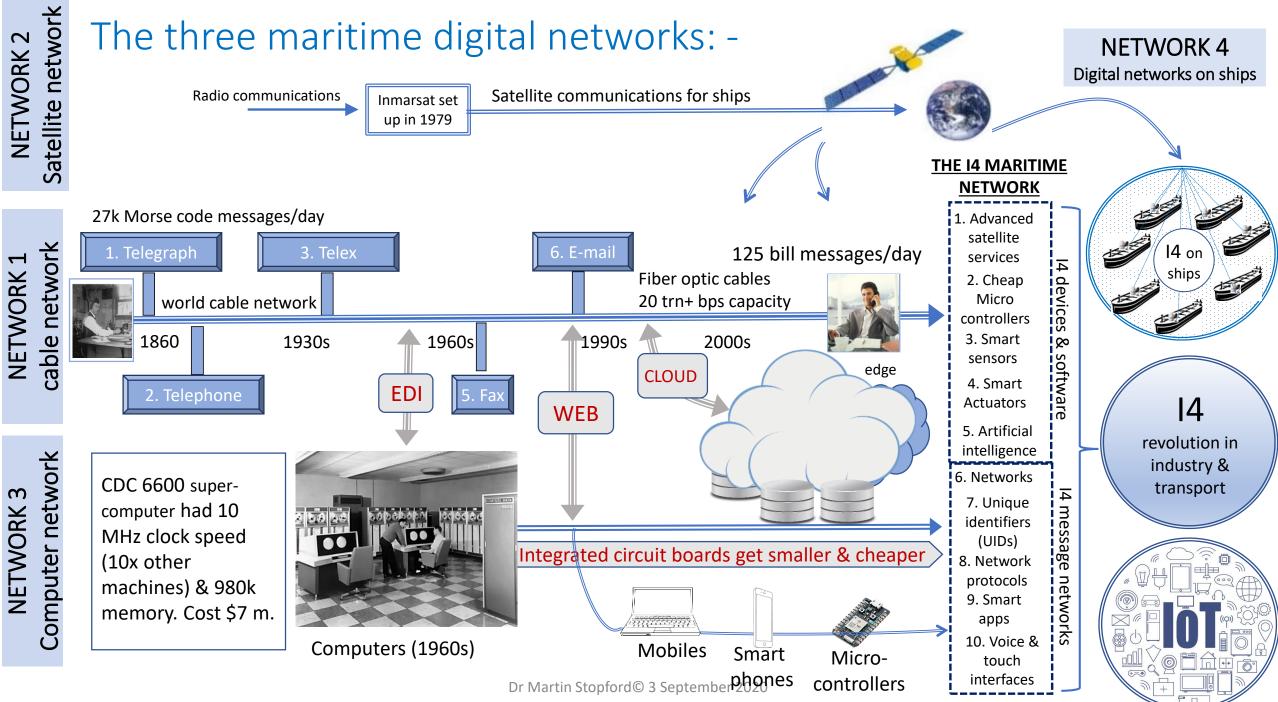
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1. The three maritime digital networks

There are three digital networks the maritime industry uses today .

We are starting to add a fourth – advanced digital networks on board ship

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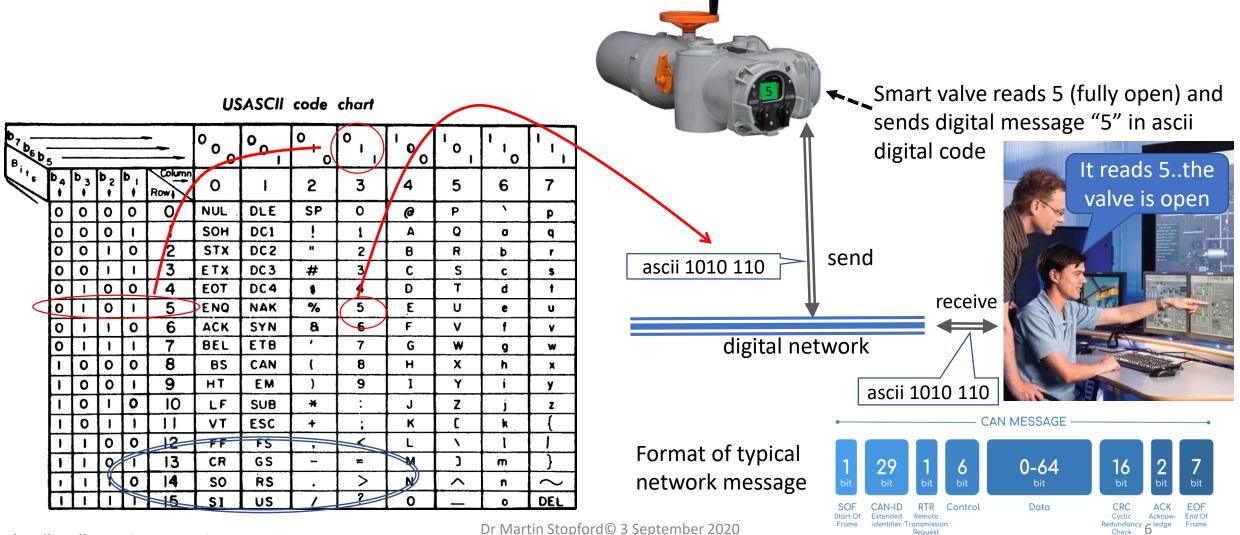
2. Using DigitalNetworks toRevolutionise ShipPerformance

Digital networks are the steppingstones to launching the maritime I4 revolution.

They are the only way to manage the complex on-board systems needed.



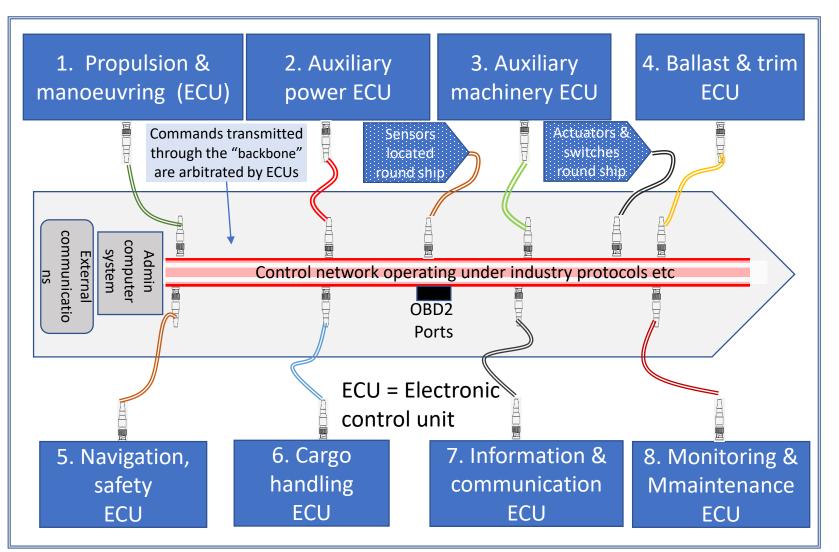
- 1. Computers communicate with DIGITAL data (binary strings).
- 2. Smart ship will have many *computer devices* sending messages to each other.
- 3. Any device receiving a message must know how it is encoded.



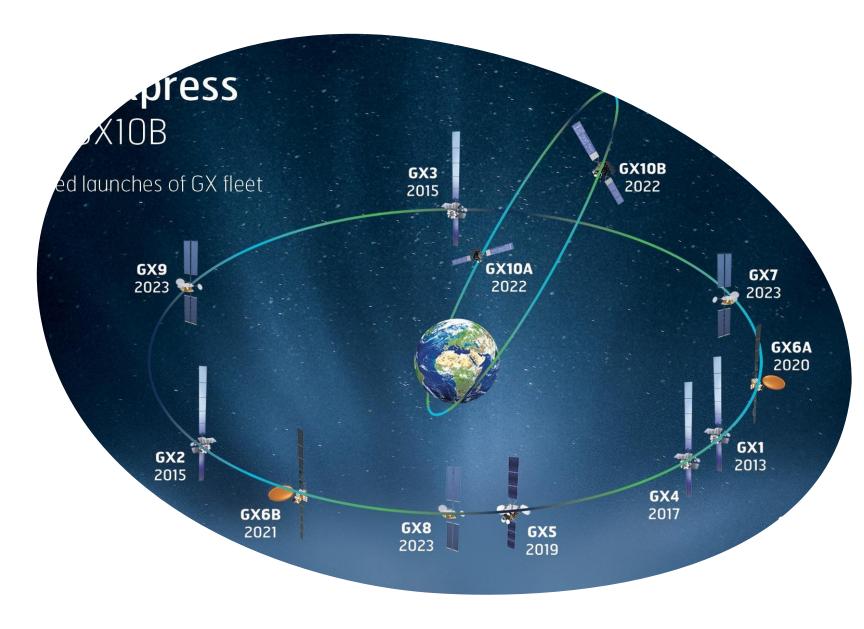
*A "bit" is a binary digit, 0 or 1

In future messages will replace wiring on ships because:-

- Replacing point to point wires with networked messages is much more efficient :-
 - Low cost digital network replace expensive point to point wiring.
 - Efficient –safety and control algorithms add value & little cost.
 - QA works better error diagnosis routines built in
 - Robust from electrical disturbances
 - Flexible easy to roll out upgrades.



CANbus network for ships – maybe development of NMEA 2000 protocol



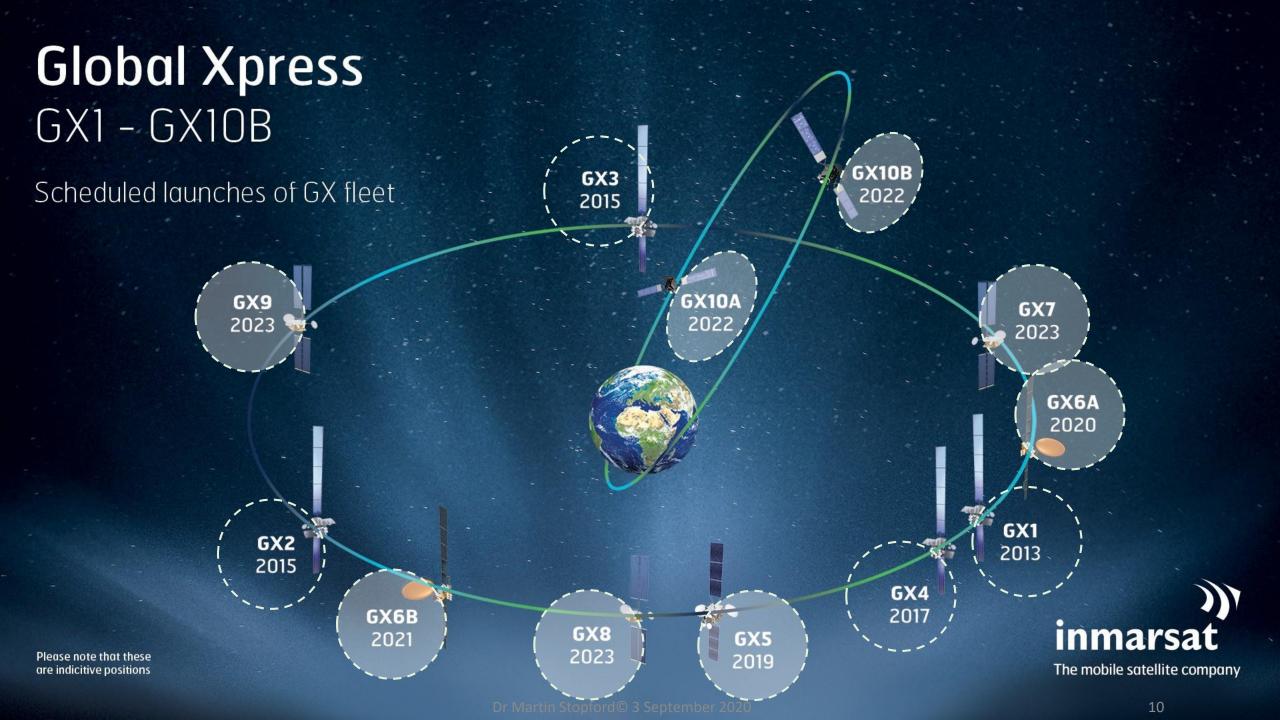
The key role of satellite
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Inmarsat is rapidly expanding and improving satellite communications

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Satellite communications are vital to integrating the operations of ships; shore offices, business partners and customers. Will that capacity really be available? There are 4 points to make: -

- **High growth:** investment program will expand capacity over the next 3 years.
- **Dynamic beamforming** automatically focuses capacity where it's most needed.
- Fewer dropped lines: seamless "relocation" between satellites by focusing backup capacity.
- Version compatibility: new versions will be backwards compatible (for existing customers)
- Shorter lead times: less than 2 years to commission a new satellite.



4. Conclusions

 Advanced digital networks of micro controllers will revolutionise ship operations

 it is already happening.

 Developing <u>networking protocols for big</u> <u>cargo ships</u> would streamline fleet management and emissions reporting

 It's going to be fun – Silicon Valley meets the world's oldest industry!!

That's it folks, thanks for listening