Voice over Internet Protocol (VoIP) Exploring the Coreness of VoIP Control Points

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Outline

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 - Commoditization of Basic Voice Service
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- Coreness of Control Points Dynamic Intra-Product
- Summary Inter-Product

Basic Elements (VoIP Control Points)

- Local Access
- National Backbone
- International Backbone
- Bit Transport (Voice Quality)
- Call Signaling
- PSTN Gateway
- Features
- End Device/Software
- Name Space



Business Models (Classes of VoIP)

Based on who manages which control point and how (centralized/decentralized)

VoIP in the backbone	Facility Based VoIP	VoIP over Broadband	P2P VoIP
А	B1	B2	С
 Circuit Switching Same Operator and Service Provider 	 Packet Switching Same Operator and Service Provider 	 Packet Switching Different Operator and Service Provider 	 Packet Switching Operator agnostic Service Provider
(e.g. AT&T, Sprint, MCI)	(e.g. VoCable, VoDSL, VoIP over Wireless)	(e.g. Vonage, SkypeOut, SkypeIn)	(e.g. FWD, Skype, Yahoo!, IM)

Business Models (Contd.)

Who owns the control points

Communications Value Chain	NETWORK EQUIPMENT MANU- FACTUROR	FACILITIES PROVIDER (NETWORK OPERATOR)	SERVICE PROVIDER	FEATURE (APPLICATN . PROVIDER	CPE (PHONES, MODEMS ETC.)
Business Models				_	
VoIP in the backbone	Network Equipment Vendor	Combination of LEC and IXC (Access, Bit Transport, Call Signaling, Features)		Third party (<i>End Device</i> , e.g.Phone)	
Facility Based VoIP	Network Equipment Vendor	Cable Operator, DSL, Wireless BB provider (Access, Bit Transport, Call Signaling, PSTN, Gateway, Features) Some End Devices – e.g. Cable Modem		Third party <i>End Device,</i> Phone	
VoIP over Broadband	Network Equipment Vendor	Operator (Access)		VoIP Service Provide (Bit Transport (RTF Call Signaling, Feature)	
P2P VoIP	Network Equipment Vendor	Operator (Access)	Service Provider (Bit Transport UDP/TCP/IP)	App. Provider (Bit Transport Call Signaling, Features, End App.)	
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Scenario 1: Commoditization of Basic Voice Service

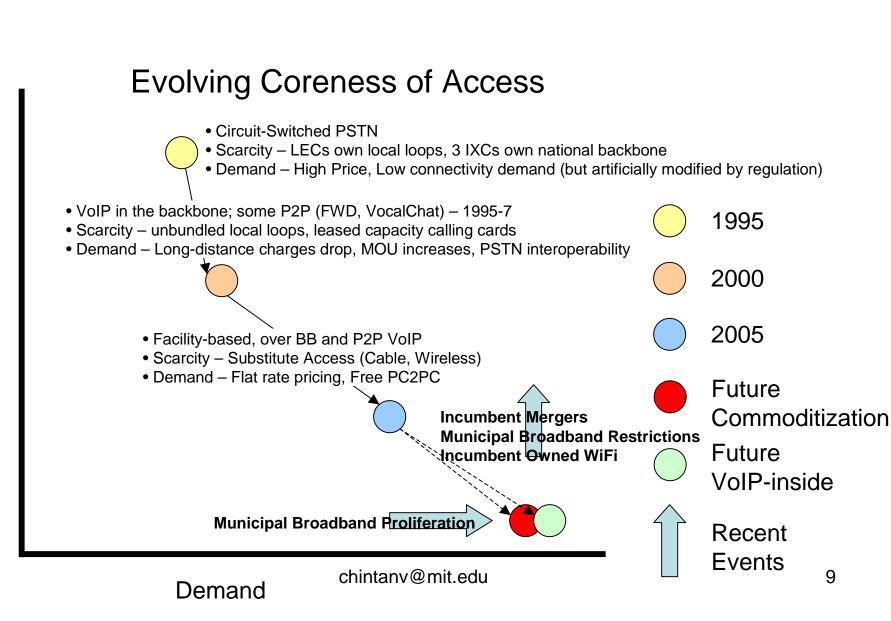
- Many Access Substitutes PSTN, Cable, DSL, Wireless and now WiFi/WiMax
- Cheap PSTN interoperability
- More Signaling Substitutes Cheap service from SIP servers and gateways
- Many SIP enabled devices and applications
- Voice comes bundled with Internet Connectivity
- No VoIP Blocking

Scenario 2: Growth of Innovative, VoIP-inside Communication Services

- Application beyond Internet Telephony
 - Gaming
 - Distance Learning
 - Internet Radio, Internet TV, Webcast
- SIP support in operating systems and easy application programming internface (API)
- Many SIP enabled devices and applications

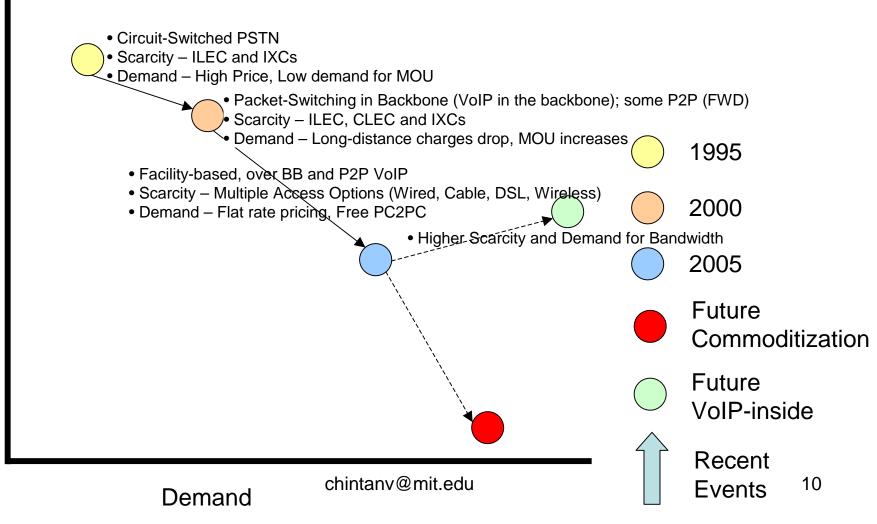
Scenario 3: Recent Events

- Incumbent Mergers/Acquisitions likely Verizon-MCI
- Municipal broadband proliferation (UTOPIA)
- Municipal broadband restrictions (PA, FL)
- Incumbent owned WiFi Hotspots (T-Mobile Hotspots)
- Server-less SIP (Damaka, X-ten)
- SIP Service Inter-operation (FWD-Vonage/Packet8)



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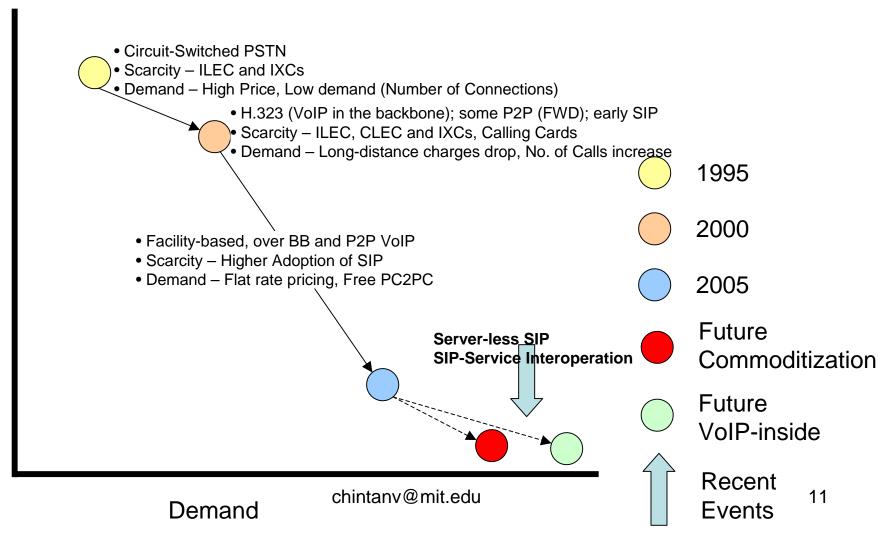
Evolving Coreness of Bit Transport (Voice Quality)



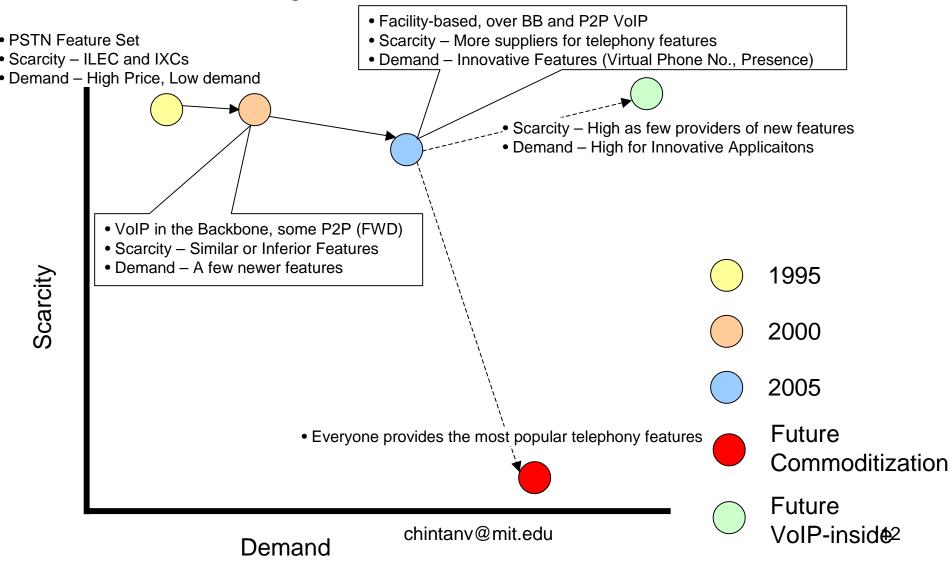
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Evolving Coreness of Call Signaling

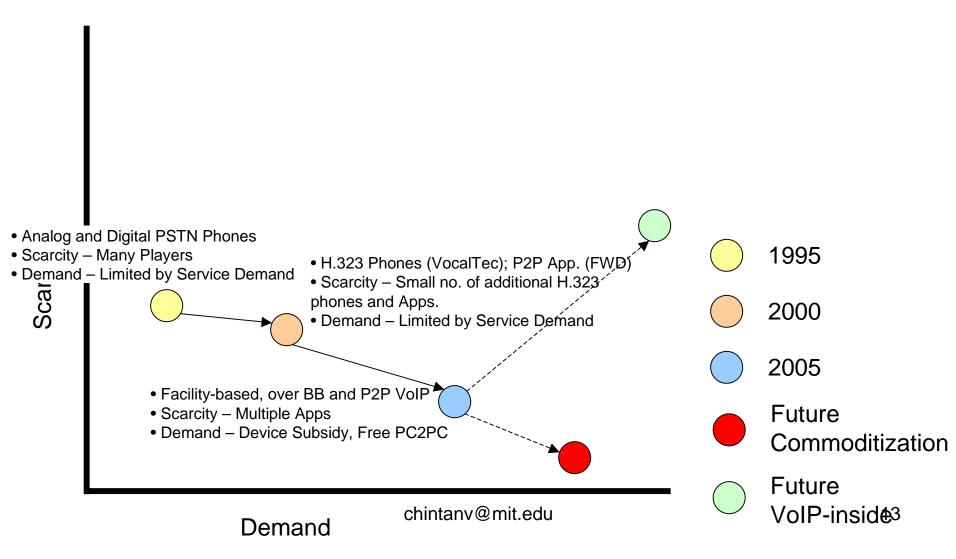
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Evolving Coreness of Features



Evolving Coreness of End Device/Software



Evolving Coreness of Name Space

