

# **Broadband Wireless Association**

## **Wireless and Other Broadband Delivery Techniques**

Tutorial for IBC2001

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# Why at a Broadcasting Conference?

- Television is going to digital interactive
- Internet is going to streaming video

Is there a difference?

Or are they just mirror images of each other?

# Agenda for the morning

- History - How we got to now
- Broadband - What does that mean?
- Access - Where it fits in the delivery chain
- Services - What will generate revenue
- Technology - The access network options
- Regulation - Who has a piece of the pie
- Standards - Where are they?
- Business Plan - Is there a viable one?
- Planning wireless - The process
- The IBC - What's in the halls
- At 12.00 noon we will observe a 3 minute silence

# Just so we are clear from the start

- People
- Can't
- Memorise
- Complicated
- Industry
- Acronyms

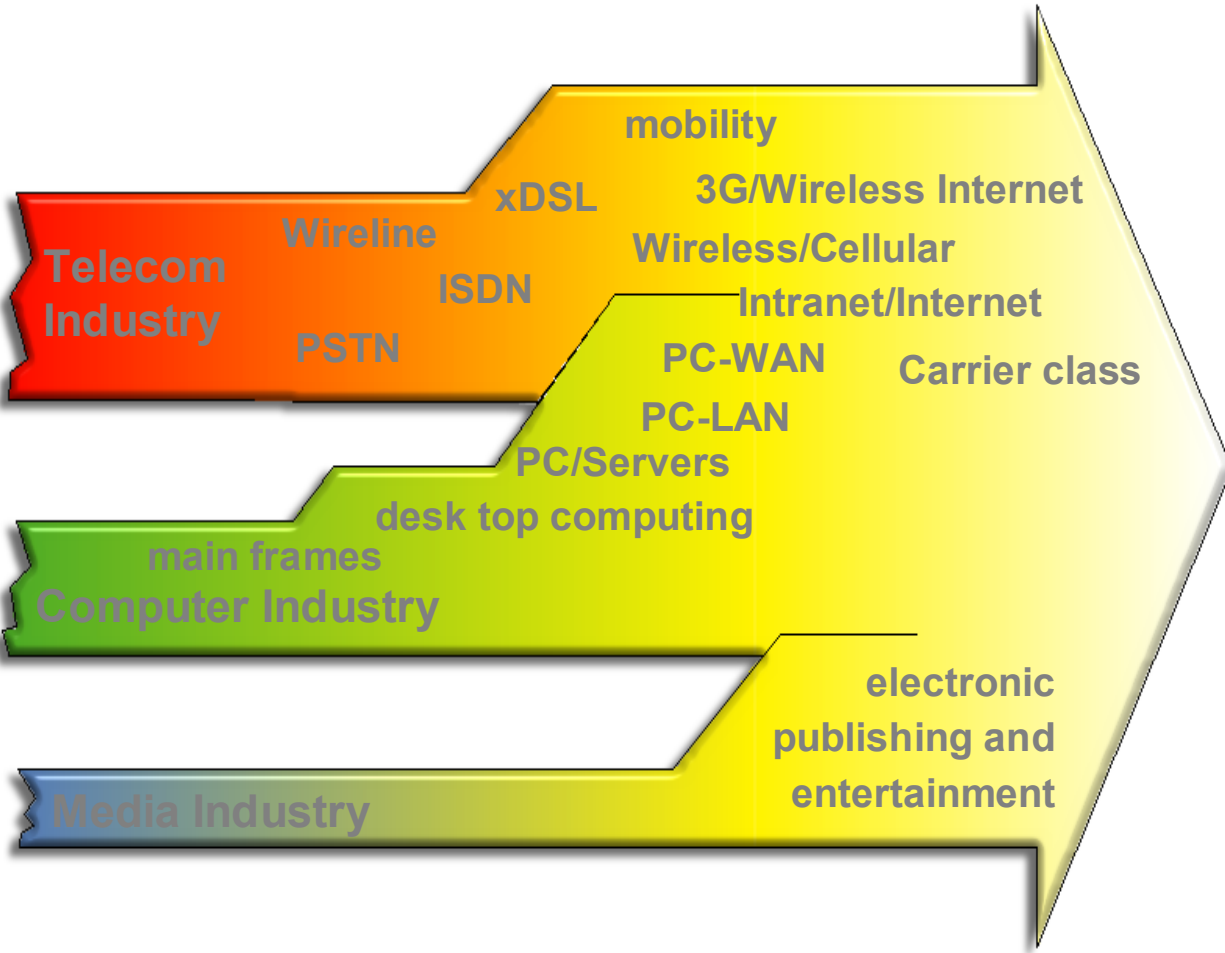
# How 'always-on' access changes use

	Home with dial up Access	Home with broadband access	Note
Time on-line (min/day)	84 min	134 min	+60%
Time watching TV	33%	24%	
Time listening to Radio	28%	21%	
Time accessing the net	11%	21%	close to TV
Streaming audio dw l.	30%	43%	

Source: 2000 - Arbitron & Coleman "US survey for Nat. Assoc. Of Broadcasters"

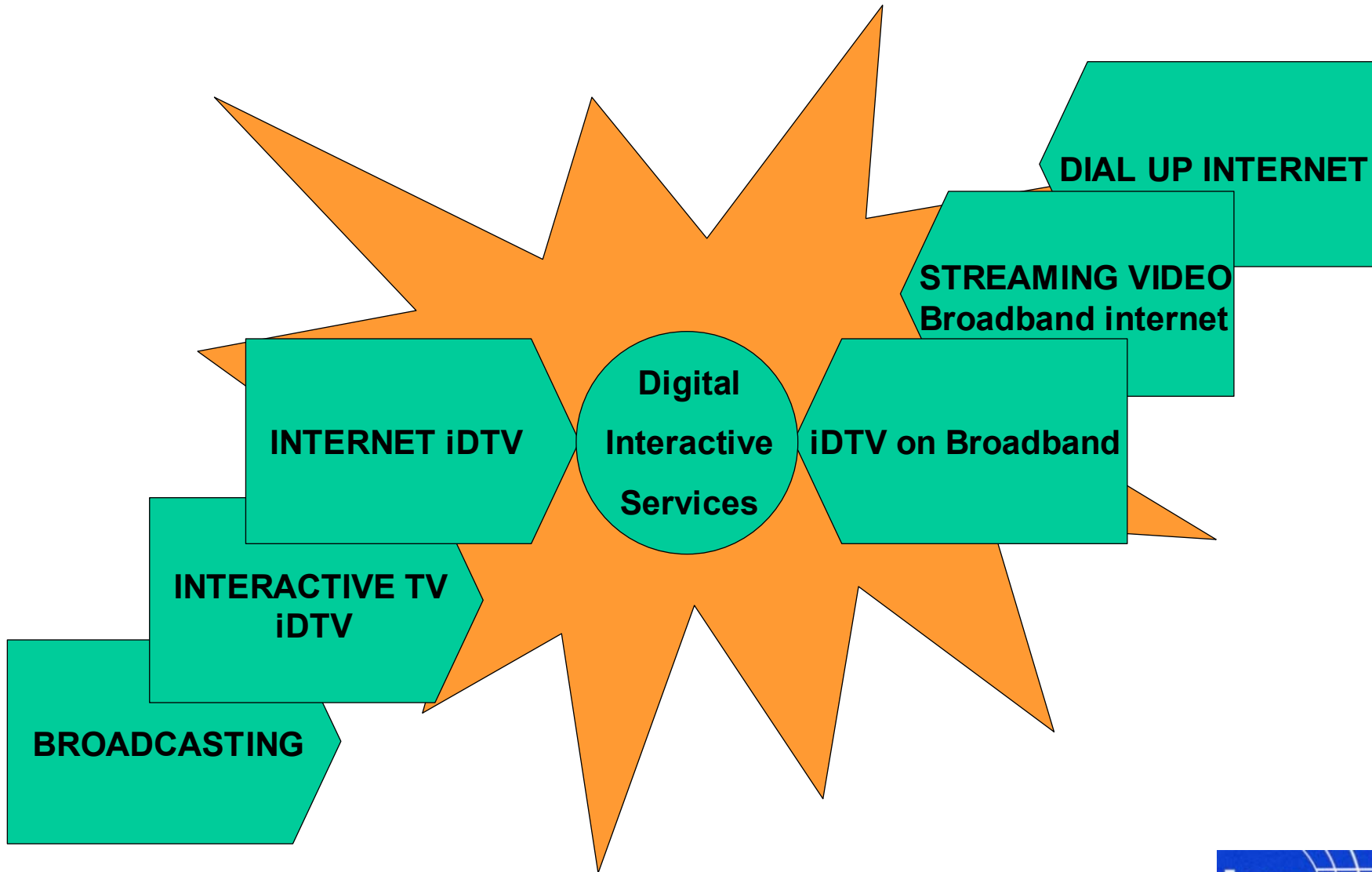
# How we got to now

# Convergence – The gentle way



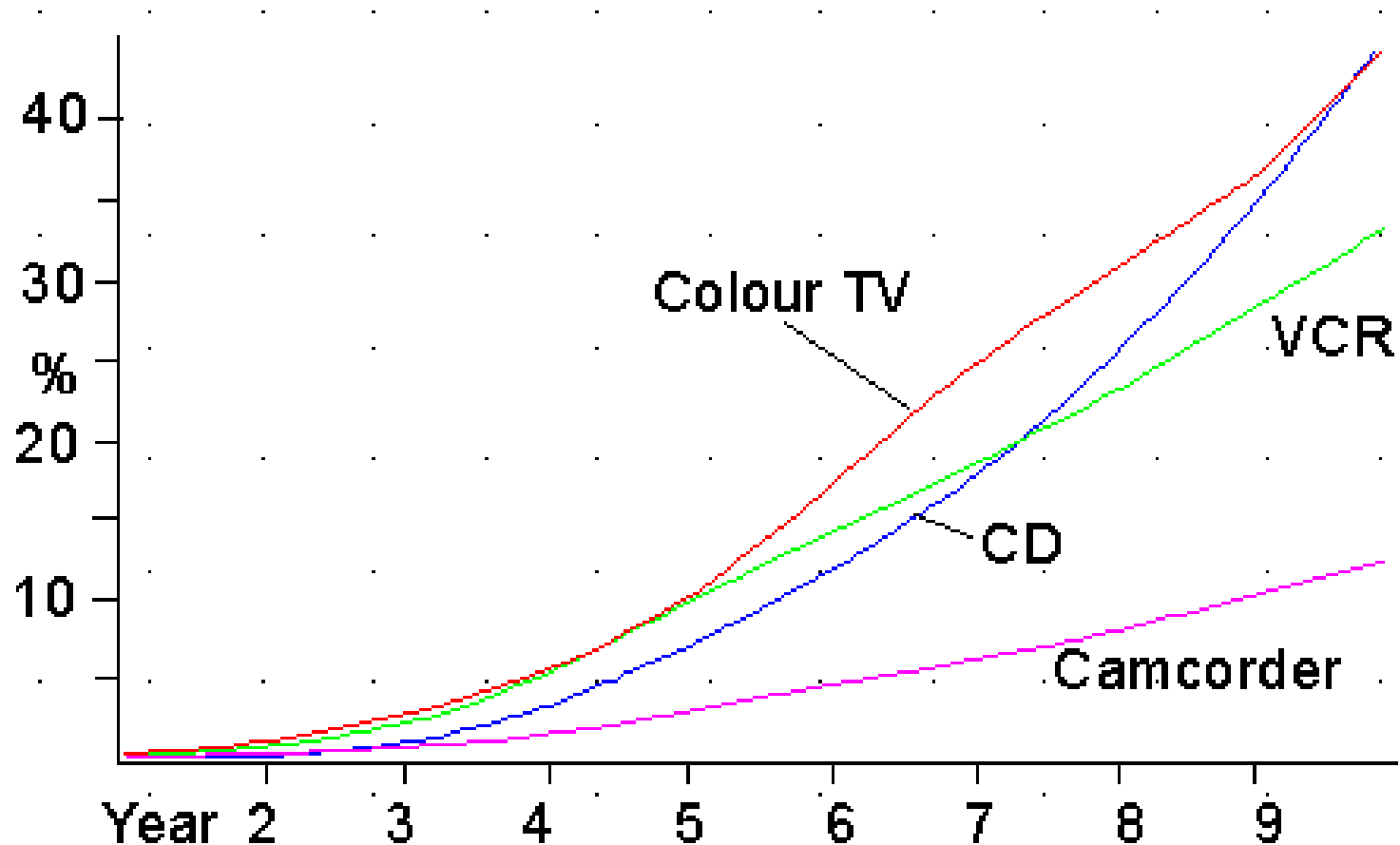
**The Unified and Converged Industry**

# Colliding worlds – The actuality



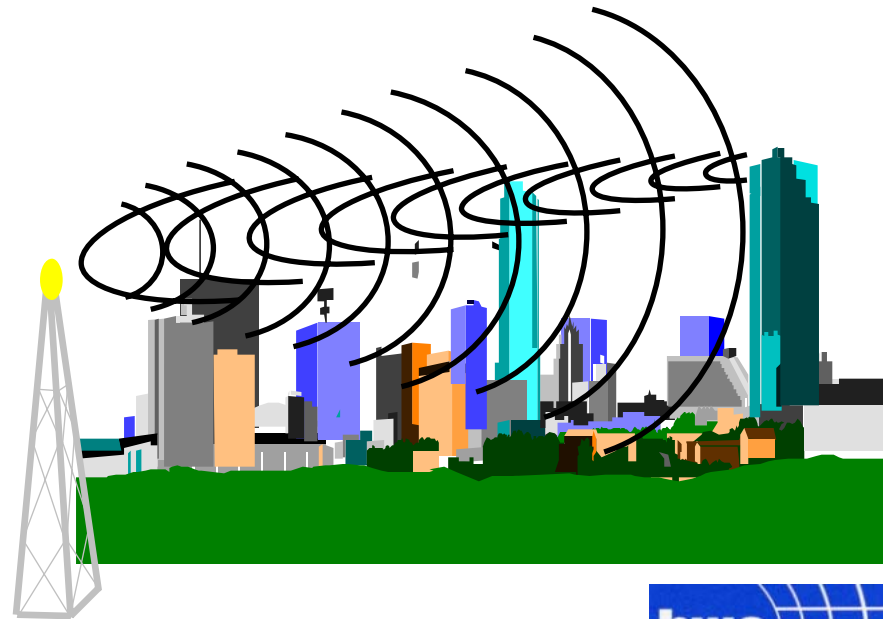
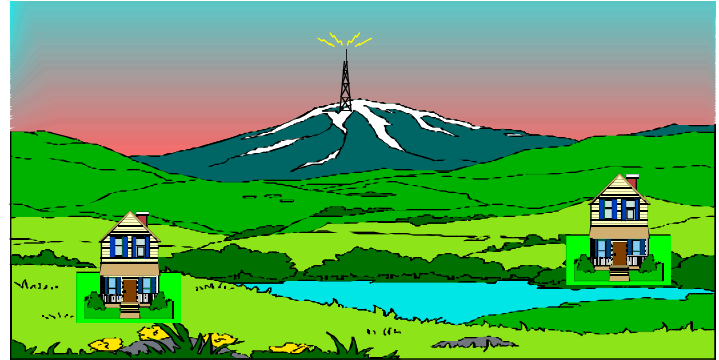


# Entertainment product growth

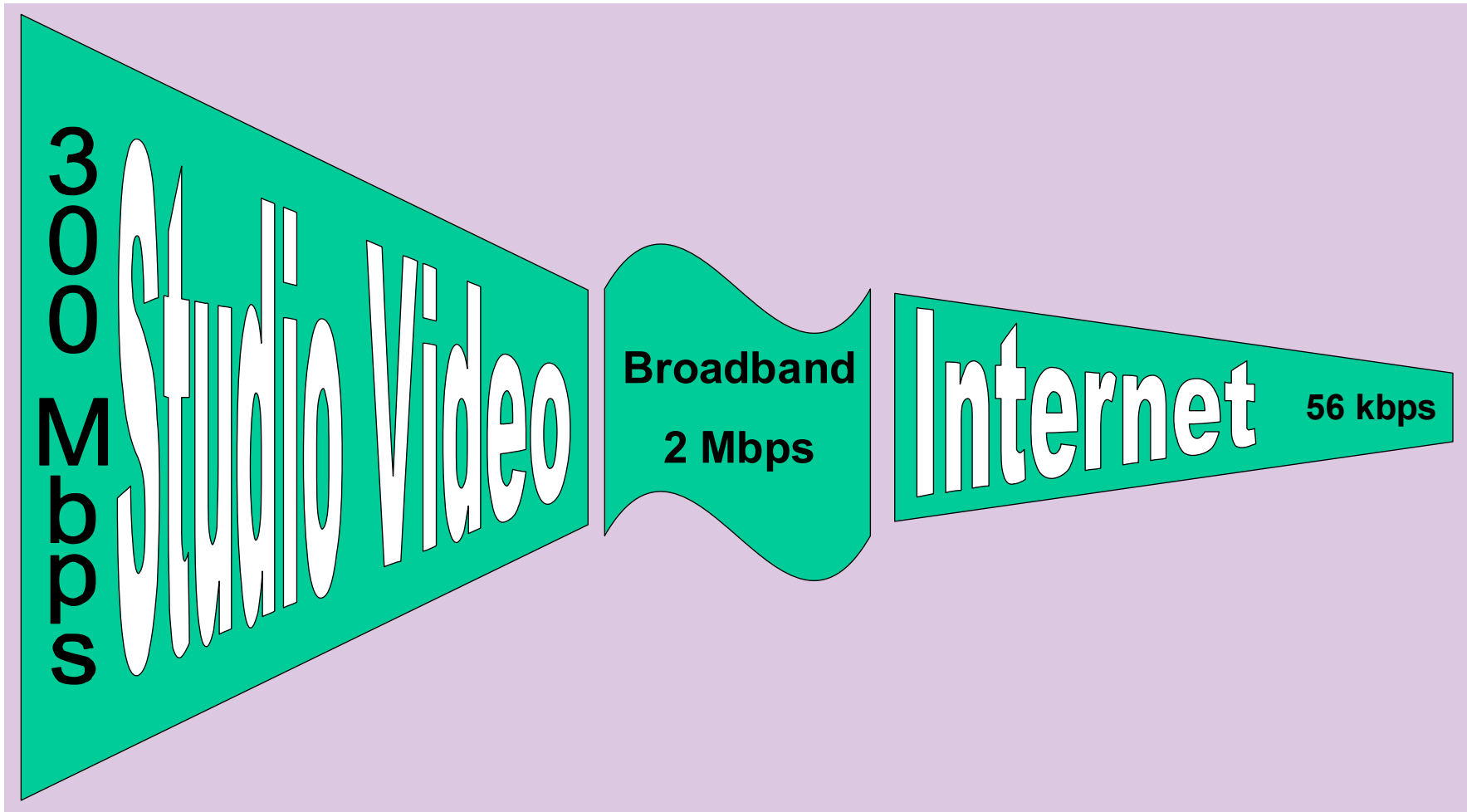


# Evolution of wireless systems

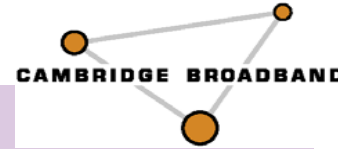
- Wireless Local Loop
  - WLL
- Local Multipoint Delivery System
  - LMDS
- Multipoint Video Distribution System
  - MVDS
- Broadband Fixed Wireless Access
  - BFWA



# Broadband – Today's definition

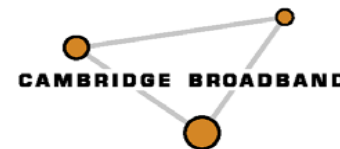


# History of Wireless Local Loop



- 0th generation - POTS only  
let down by expensive CPE's & low revenue from residential POTS
- 1st generation - start of IP play and higher data rates  
let down by lack of QoS and limited other services
- 2nd generation - voice + data + full QoS + high data rates

# Wireless Local Loop evolution



Product & Generation		CPE cost	Services	CPE data rates (max)	QoS	non LOS capability
1994	0th generation e.g. Ionica UK, 3.5 GHz	sub \$1000	POTS	96 kb/s i.e. 32 kb/s voice + 64 kb/s modem	wireline voice	LOS only
1998	1st generation e.g. AB Access US, 5.7 GHz	sub \$1000	IP, ATM	13 Mb/s	best effort IP (UBR)	limited by poor multi-path tolerance
2001	2nd generation e.g. VectaStar EU, 3.5 GHz	sub \$1000	IP, ATM, E1/T1, POTS, VoIP, VoATM	60 Mb/s	full ATM QoS (CBR, VBR, UBR)	robust non LOS capability

CPE = Customer Premise Equipment

LOS = Line Of Sight

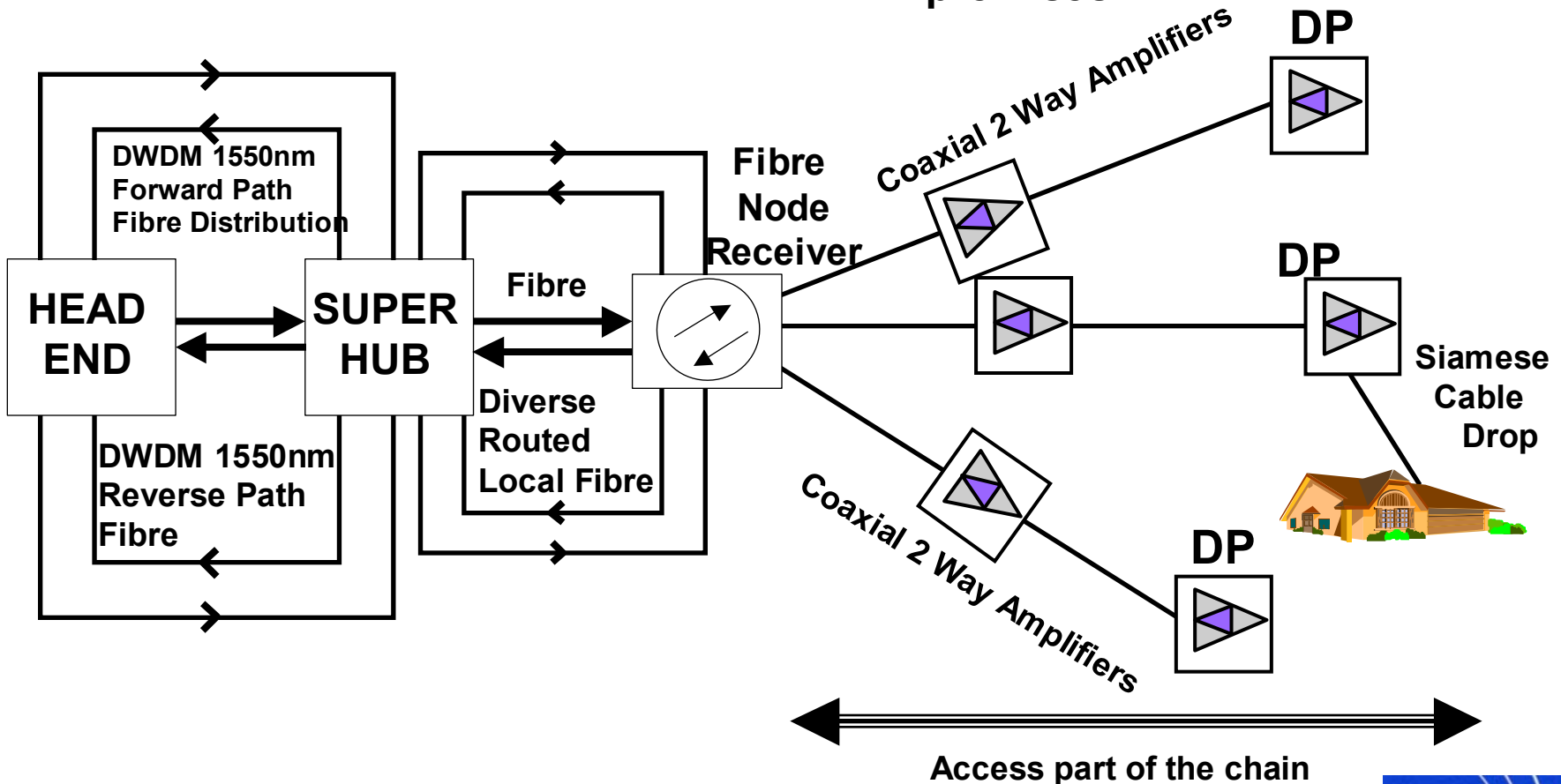


# **Access**

## **Where does it start?**

# CATV HFC Network

Fibre serving area 750 lines  
average approx. 570  
premises



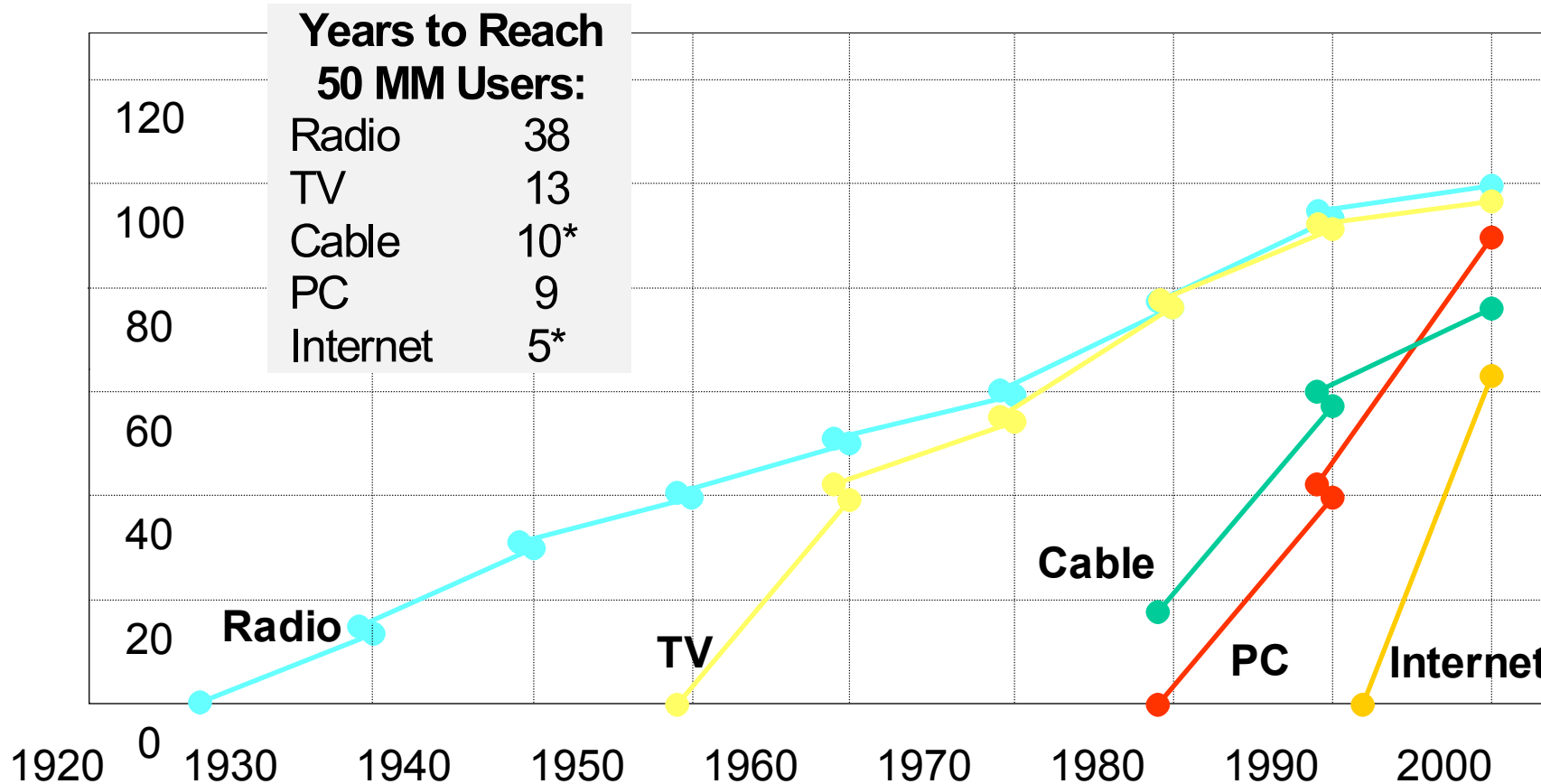
# The services



# People expect more



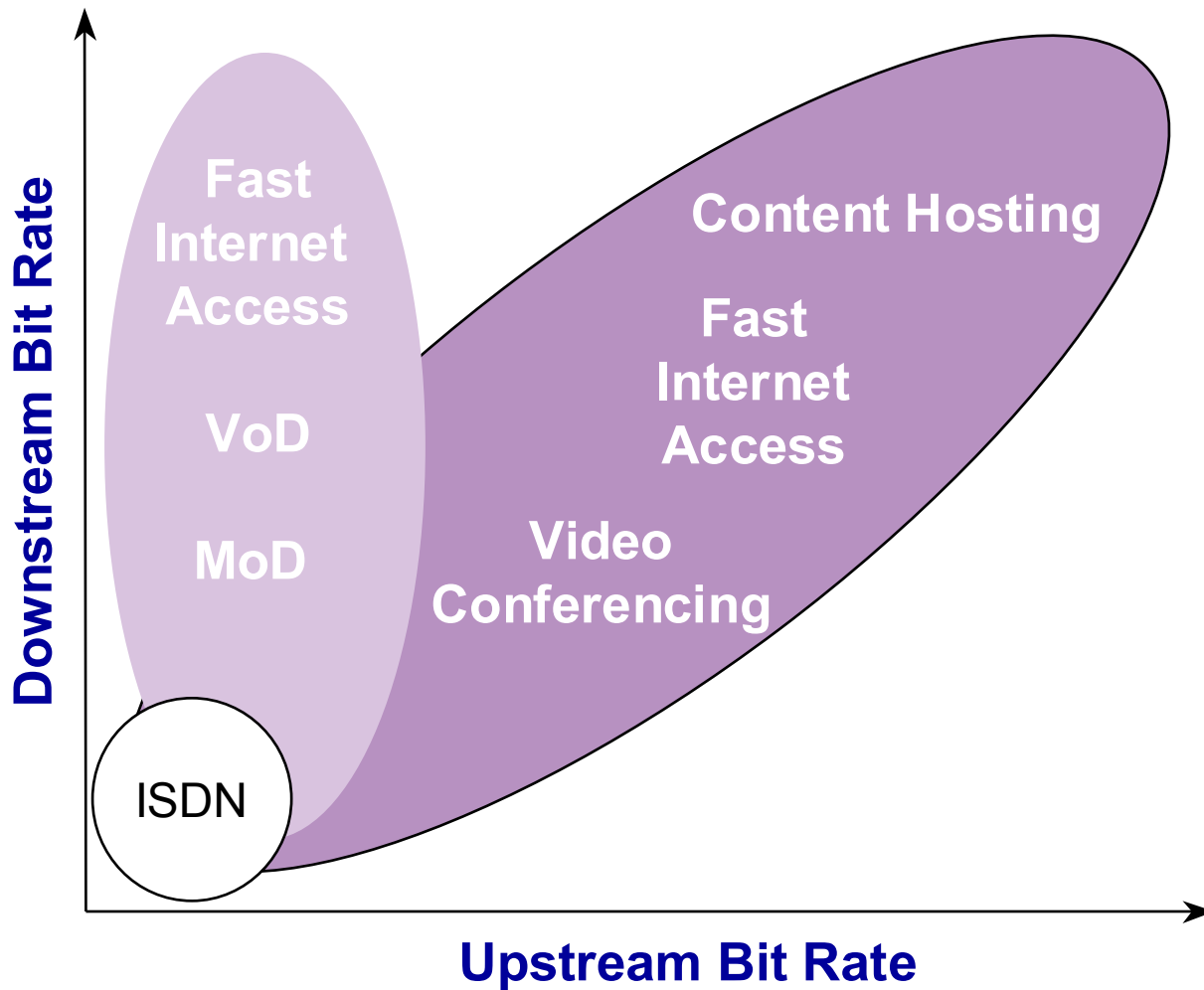
# Adoption Curves for Various Media



*The Internet became a new Medium in Record Time*

Data are for US media adoption; \*data are estimates

# Service need for symmetry



**Appropriate Access Technologies:**

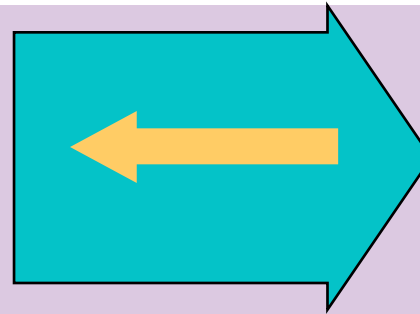
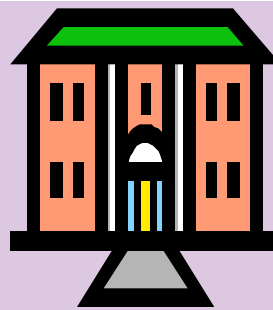
- Asymmetrical:**
- ADSL
  - CATV

- Symmetrical:**
- PMP WLL
  - SDSL
  - FTTx

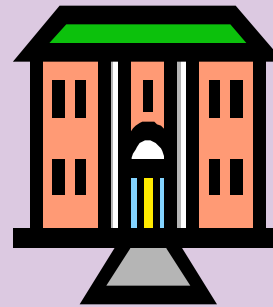
# Residential Traffic Symmetry

– Web browsing

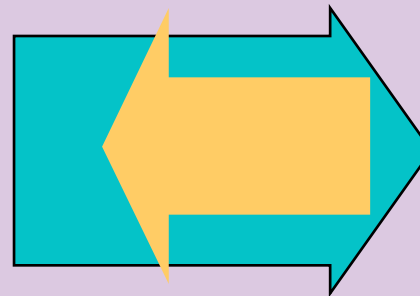
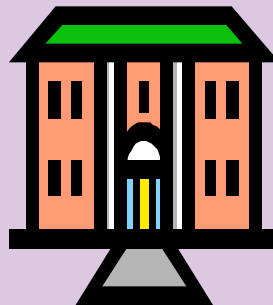
– And television



– E-shopping

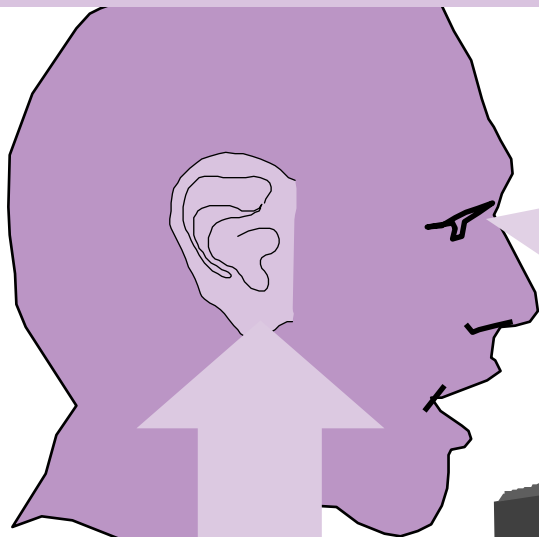


– Email



# Bandwidth needs of one person

Required for personal use.  
No more than 15 Mbps



Wide screen high definition television  
At a typical compressed bit rate 4 Mbps

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Maybe video-telephony will use 384 kbps

Separate video stream to a VCR  
or solid state recorder  
4 Mbps



Stereo audio at CD quality  
128 kbps

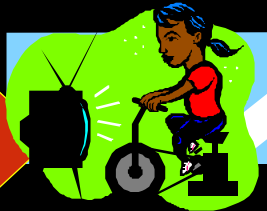


Web, e-commerce and home  
working  
1 – 2 Mbps

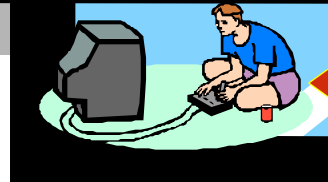
# For an 'average' household

10 - 20 Mbps total

8 Mbps



512 kbps ?

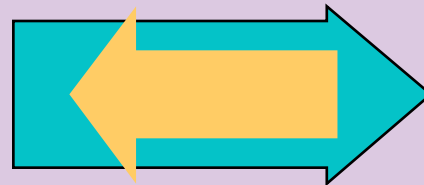
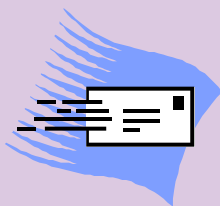


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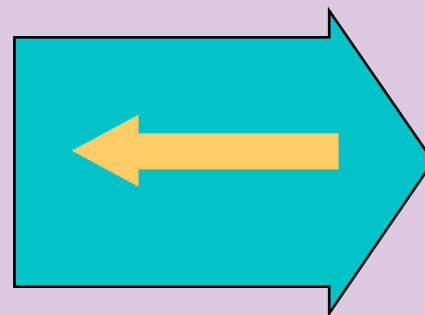


# SME Traffic Symmetry

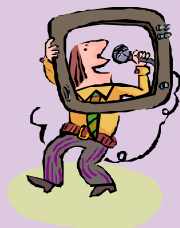
- Email



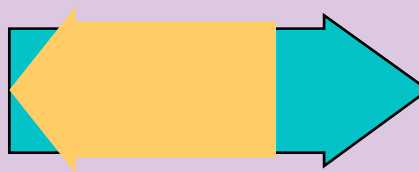
- E-Commerce



- Voice

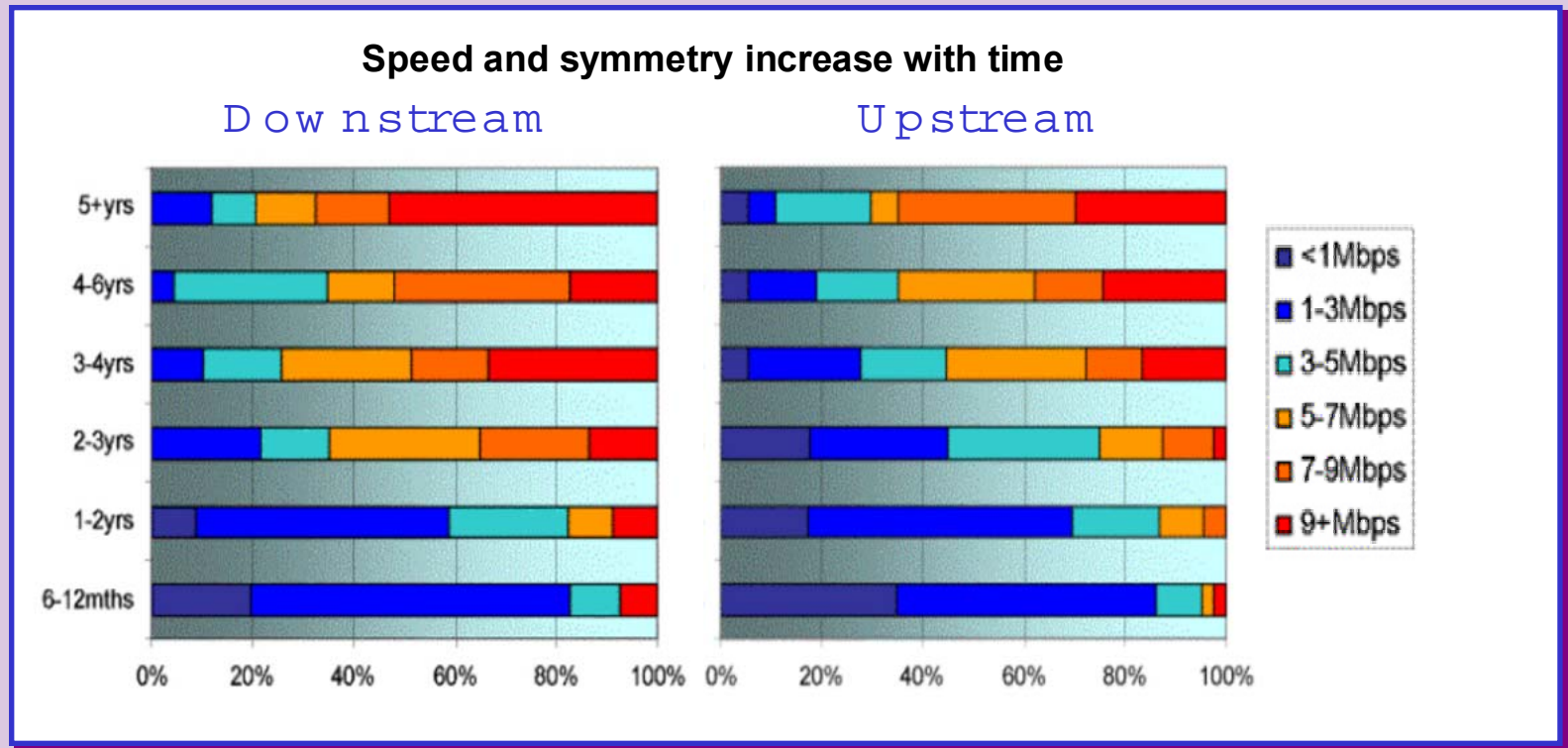


- Data



# The business user – SME's

- An SME has between 5 – 500 employees
- Nearly infinite variety of needs. Overall estimated bit rate requirements:

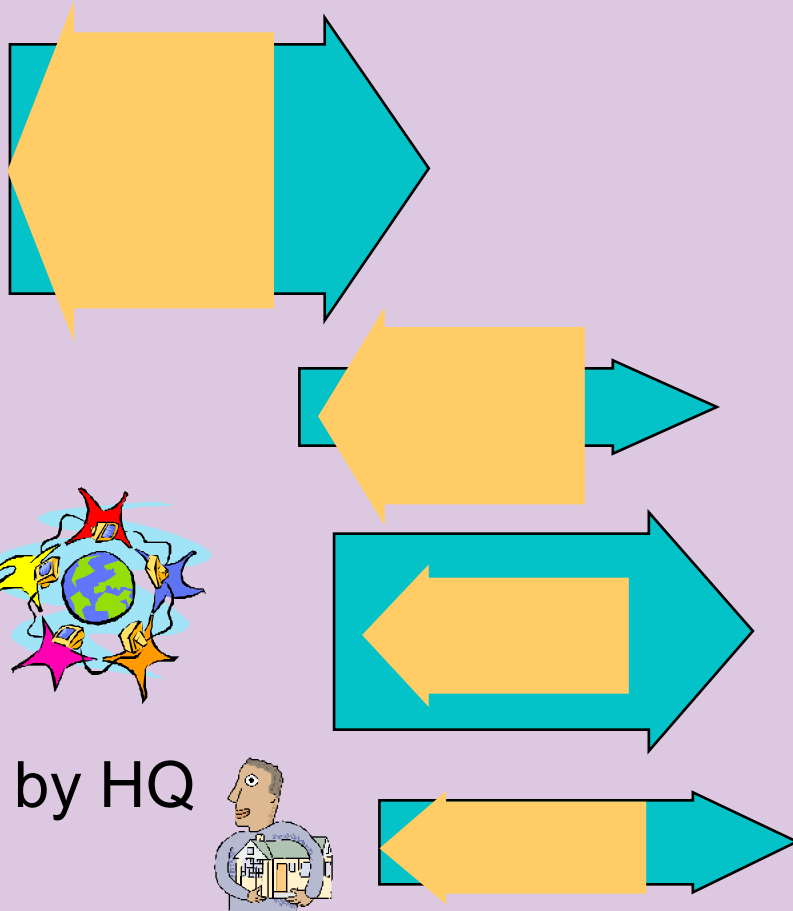
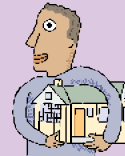
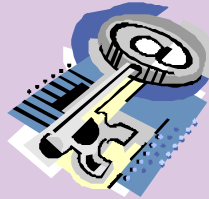


Source: ARC Group



# Corporate Traffic Symmetry

- Voice
- Data
- Web access
- Web hosting
- Home workers paid for by HQ



# Service parameters – a customer view

- Errors



Critical to data users

- Latency



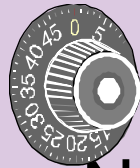
Critical for video and voice

- Availability



Critical to everyone

- Dial up



Needed for low users

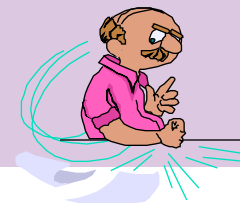
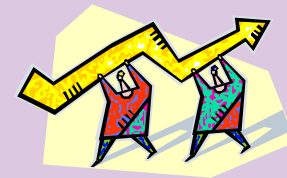
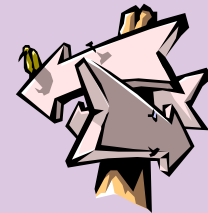
- Always on



The assumed future

# Broadband Data rate offers

- Confirmed / Guaranteed Information Rate
  - Determines network capacity requirements
  - Operator sets tariffs to control demand
  - Typically between 128 kbps and 2 Mbps
- Variable Information Rate
  - Allows users to configure service on demand
  - A data service parameter
- Burst / Peak Information Rate
  - Makes revenue from spare capacity
  - Will degrade as penetration rises
  - Typically up to 34 Mbps symmetrical
- On demand / User defined
  - Reduces operator work load
  - Raises revenue opportunities



# The technologies

# Broadband Access Options

- Cable modems



- xDSL



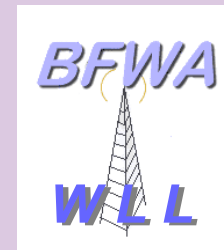
- Geo Stationary Satellite



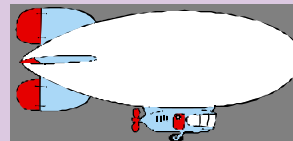
- Digital Terrestrial



- Broadband Fixed Wireless Access



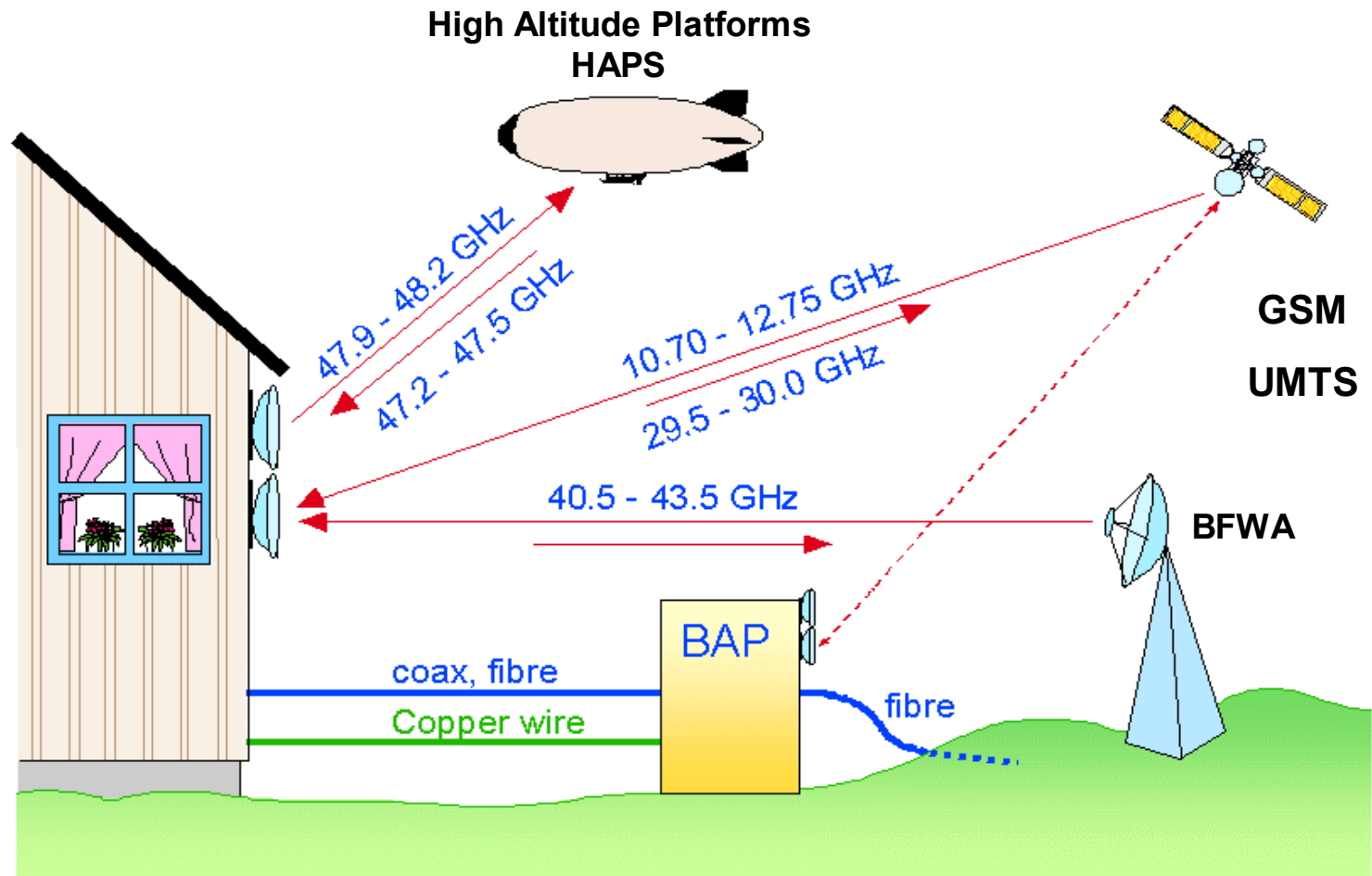
- High Altitude Platforms



- Low Earth Orbit

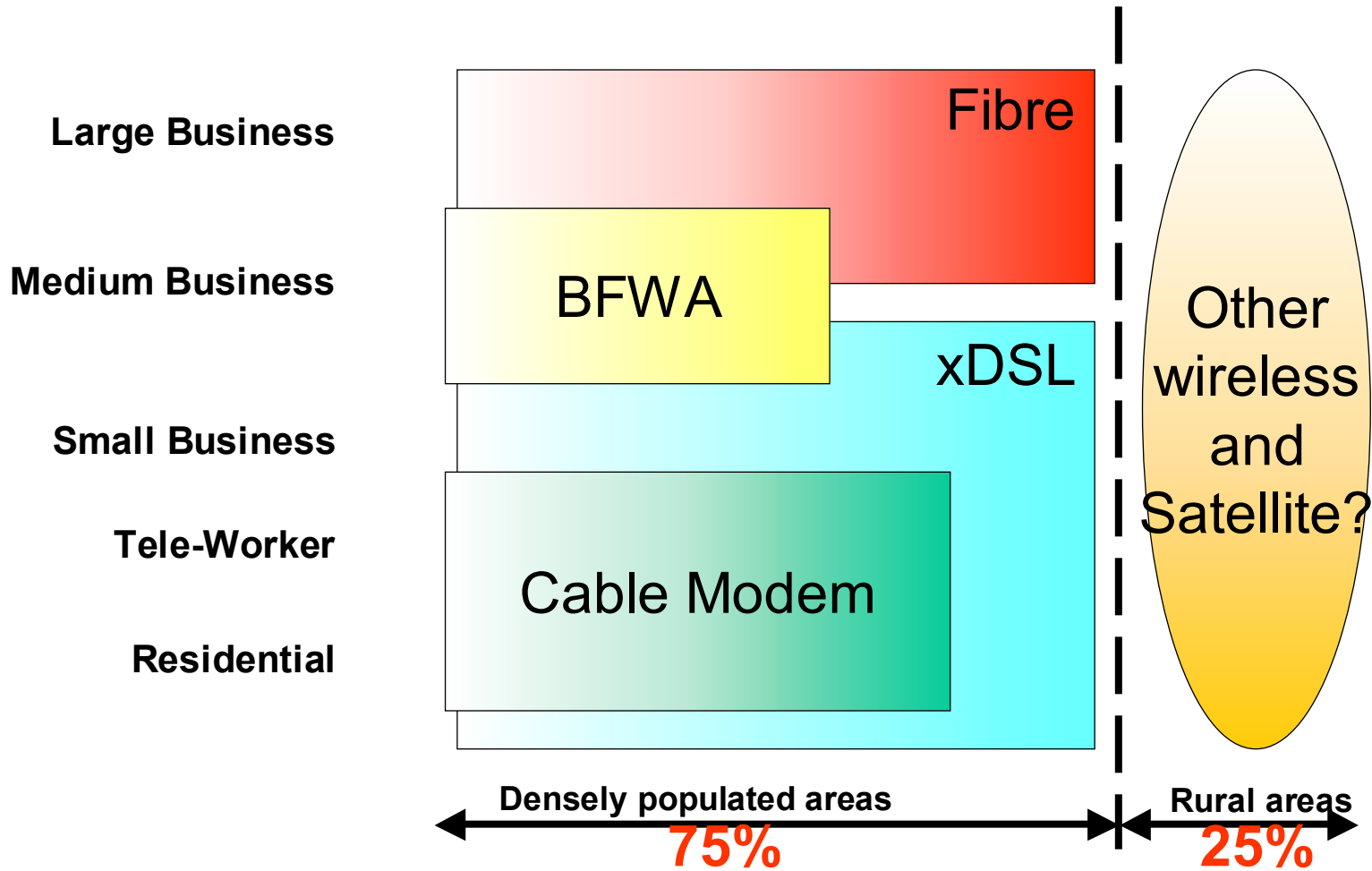


# Broadband access technologies



Source: Telenor

# Broadband Access (W Europe)



# Cable and DSL

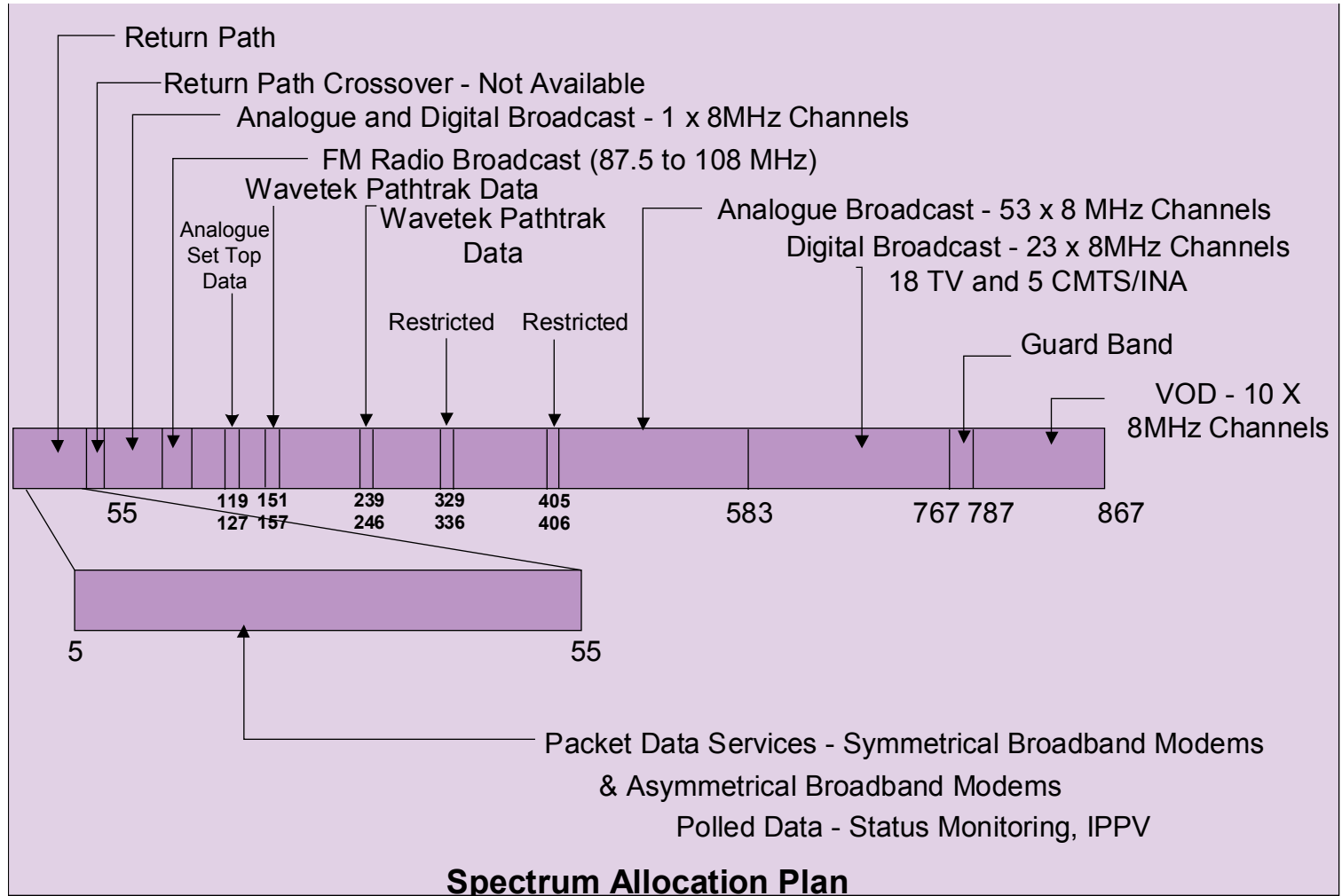
- Cable modems and ADSL models clearly provide significant competition to fixed wireless
  - broadly we could expect operators with twisted pair networks to deploy ADSL, those with cable networks to deploy cable modems and those with nothing to deploy wireless
- But it's not that simple
  - cable reach is not 100% so many cable operators envisage fixed wireless as a way to extend their reach
  - ADSL coverage is also variable at perhaps 50% - 70%
  - although the modems themselves may only be \$100 - \$200, significant network upgrade is often required to implement high speed two way wired networks
  - wireless is generally competitive already and costs are falling



# Cable data systems for BFWA

- **Two Cable-Modem Consortium are providing standard equipment and technology for the European market:**
- **MCNS-DOCSIS: US developed Multimedia Cable-Network System, Data Over Cable System Interface Specification, including for Europe:**
  - 3Com, Dassault, Pace,
  - Broadcom, General Instrument, Thomson
  - Cisco, Motorola,
- **DVB/DAVIC: Digital Video Broadcasting / Digital Visual Audio Council Interoperability Consortium, including:**
  - Alcatel, Hughes Ntwk S., Simac,
  - Cocom/CPS, Nokia, Thomson Broad. S.
  - DiviCom, Sagem, Thomson Multimedia

# An HFC Network Frequency Allocation



# Cable Modems

**ERICSSON** 

**Self install but  
operator  
configured**

**A residential or  
consumer  
product**



**Asymmetrical  
speed – suitable for  
surfing – less good  
for business**

PipeRider™  
Enhanced Security  
Cable Modem  
HM204c  
HM205c

# Technical Specification

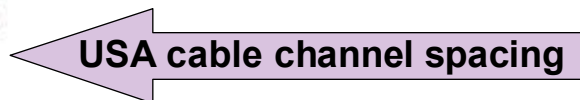


PipeRider™  
HM204c  
DOCSIS Version

System requirements  
For Ethernet Interface:  
5-42 MHz

## Bandwidth

Downstream  
6 MHz



Upstream  
200/400/800/1600/3200 kHz

## Bit rate (raw)

Downstream  
25 Mbps (64-QAM),  
43 Mbps (256-QAM)

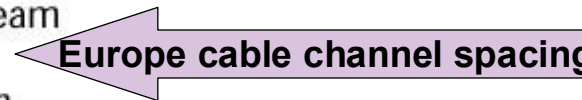
Upstream  
0.32-5.12 Mbps (QPSK),  
0.64-10.24 Mbps (16-QAM)

PipeRider™  
HM205c  
Euro-DOCSIS Version

System requirements  
For Ethernet Interface:  
5-65 MHz

## Bandwidth

Downstream  
8 MHz



Upstream  
200/400/800/1600/3200 kHz

## Bit rate (raw)

Downstream  
41.7 Mbps (64-QAM),  
55.6 Mbps (256-QAM)

Upstream  
0.32-5.12 Mbps (QPSK),  
0.64-10.24 Mbps (16-QAM)



# Euro DOCSIS parameters

- 860 MHz Network Downstream Capacity:
  - 80 usable 8 MHz slots between 100 and 750 MHz
  - Symbol rate = 6.952Msps in 8MHz @ 8bits/symbol for 256QAM
  - Data rate = 55.6Mbps gross, or 51.25Mbps net of overheads
  - With 80 such carriers = **4 Gbps** net downstream
  - Shared between 500 homes = 8Mbps each with 100% penetration
- 600MHz Networks Capacity Downstream:
  - 61 usable 8MHz slots passing 3.1Gbps
  - Shared between 4000 homes = 780kbps each with 100% penetration  
= 3.1Mbps each with 25% penetration
- Upstream Capability:
  - Estimated max of 80Mbps using 16QAM
  - Shared between 500 homes = 160kbps each with 100% penetration

# DVB-RC/DAVIC key points

- Out of band downstream 2MHz, 3Mbps QPSK  
= Cheap CPE
- Upstream limited to QPSK only
- ATM for QoS - wasteful if services are IP
- DVB-RC Cable Modem uses inband DVB-C carrier
- Require separate INA/CMTS to support STBs and Cable Modems

# DOCSIS/Euro-DOCSIS key points

- Upstream to 16QAM
- IP efficient
- Same CMTS can support STBs and Cable Modems
- 1st generation STBs have fully functional Cable Modem in addition to inband tuner
- No cheap out of band option for cheap STBs



# Two options

## DOCSIS:

- US standard
- Internet/IP driven
- Complete specification
- Mature
- High vendor and chip supplier involvement
- Products already available
- Roadmap to QoS/VoIP
- Not adapted to all European cable plant

## DVB-RC:

- New standard
- DVB/ATM driven
- less complete - time to market unclear
- low vendor involvement
- unspecified roadmap towards VoIP
- adapted to European cable plants



# Progress of Euro-DOCSIS

- DOCSIS defined by US cable operators
- ITU-T adopt DOCSIS 1.0 as Rec.J.112AnnexB
- TOCOF create Euro-DOCSIS as an option in the DOCSIS Radio Frequency Interface (RFI) Specification
  - DVB downstream and FEC (ETSI EN 300 429)
  - wider upstream frequency range to 5-65 MHz
  - levels in line with CENELEC standards
- CableLabs added Euro-DOCSIS to version 1.1 of DOCSIS as Annex N

# Progress of Euro-DOCSIS

- Exactly the same version of DOCSIS 1.1
  - Approved by SCTE in US
  - Adopted as ETSI Standard ES 201 488 V1.1.1
  - Submitted to ITU-T as an upgrade to DOCSIS 1.0
- So DOCSIS can be considered to be a common world-wide standard
- Certification to encourage the market
  - tComLabs
  - certification DOCSIS 1.0 with Euro-DOCSIS
  - DOCSIS 1.1 still in early stages
- Work on adaptation to STBs progressing

# DOCSIS 1.1 Enhancements

- Baseline Privacy Plus = enhanced security & authentication
- 16 Service levels
  - each of which can have a different class
  - can run simultaneously on single CPE
- Fragmentation to even out payload for CBR and guaranteed bandwidth = QoS

# DOCSIS 2.0

- Standard due this year
- Supports symmetry
- Increased data rates

# Fibre to the curb, home, building

- Fibre is just another form of wiring
  - the cost of cable install is increasing
  - Fibre could offer 10Gbits/s to the home – a future proof solution
- Fibre to the curb / cabinet is a half-way house
  - less expensive than extending it all the way to the house
  - enables VDSL with data rates of 10 - 50Mbits/s to be deployed to all homes
- Fibre cost is likely to be uncompetitive compared to fixed wireless
- Where there is already fibre to the curb or building it will be very difficult for fixed wireless to compete