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Change of the Internet - Original vs. today's Situation

Original design assumptions of the Internet:

- main service: data communication between research centers (no commercial target)
- uniform user requirements
- trust relations between users
- users with high level of technical skills
- consistent network architecture

Situation of the Internet today:

- global infrastructure for the information society
- several new interest groups / commercial aspects
 - Internet Service Provider (Internet-access provider, transit provider)
 - Application Service Provider (e.g. Email-service, Webhosting)
 - Content Provider (Video on Demand, ...)
- loss of trust relationship
- users with almost no technical skills
- introduction of various extensions e.g. to solve problems on short notice
 - however, these extensions often do not fit very well to the original Internet architecture and lead to inconsistencies

Change of the Internet - Trends and Consequences

Internet Trends:

- Voice over IP:
 - main driver: cost reduction
 - shortfalls compared to traditional telephone networks: speech quality, robustness
 - advantages compared to traditional telephone networks: new value-added services possible
 - key question: how to guarantee QoS (especially if VoIP is deployed globally)
- Video streaming/IPTV → Multimedia Communication
- Peer-to-Peer Networking
- Social Networking
- Machine-to-Machine Communication / Smart Grid
- Mobile Internet

Consequences:

- the Internet becomes a critical infrastucture failures lead to high costs or high loss of revenue
- QoS, resilience and security are essential

Change of the Internet - Problems

The current Internet Architecture does not cope with today's requirements:

- large number of connected hosts
 - lack of IPv4 addresses → IPv6
 - increasing complexity, less manageability → increasing self-organisation
- mobile hosts
 - mechanisms for mobility support → e.g. Mobile IP
- high quality multimedia applications
 - mechanisms for quality of service (QoS) support → differentiated treatment of data packet (vs. net-neutrality)
- tele-cooperation / multicast-streaming
 - mechanisms for group communication / multicast support → e.g. IP Multicast
- e-Commerce applications
 - enhanced requirements regarding reliability, security ...
- easy introduction of new services/applications
 - increasing number of different services → flexible service platforms, peer-topeer overlays

Next Generation Internet (NGI) - NGI Requirements

Group Communication Support

- today mostly realized either via centralized servers or fully meshed hosts
- more efficient solution: IP multicast
 - drawback: rarely supported by ISPs
- challenges
 - scalability (i.e. support of large, distributed and heterogeneous groups), security, charging

Quality of Service Support

- today mostly realized via overprovisioning ("throw bandwidth at the problem")
- more efficient solution: bandwith reservation or priorization mechanisms
 - drawback: rarely supported by ISPs, no global (Internet-wide) solution
- challenges
 - scalability, fairness, charging, QoS management

Mobility Support

- today mostly realized within layer 2 domains (LANs)
- network-wide solution: mobile IP
 - · drawback: rarely supported by ISPs

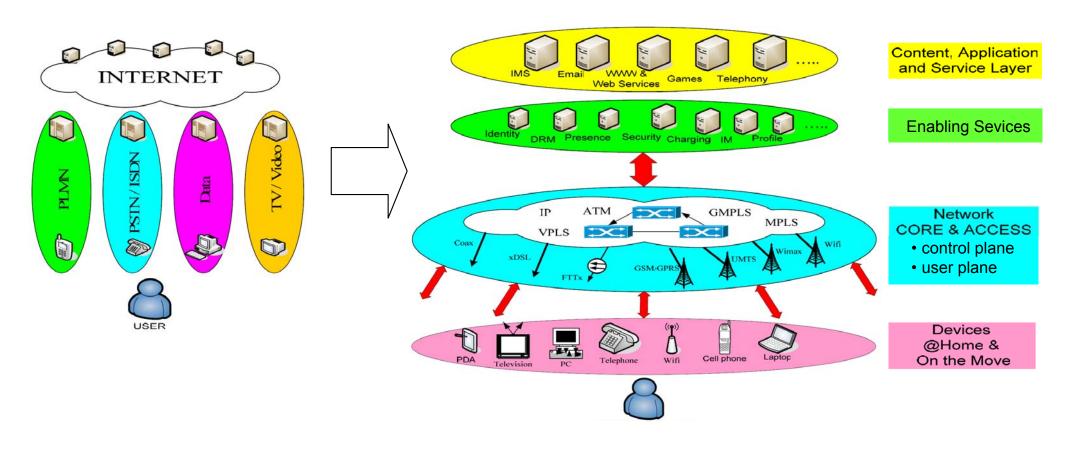
Reliability

- today mostly realized by redundant network architecture (meshing, multi-homing) and restoration/rerouting mechanisms
 - · problem: increasing size of routing tables

Next Generation Internet (NGI) - NGI as Part of the NGN

current Architecture

future NGN Architecture



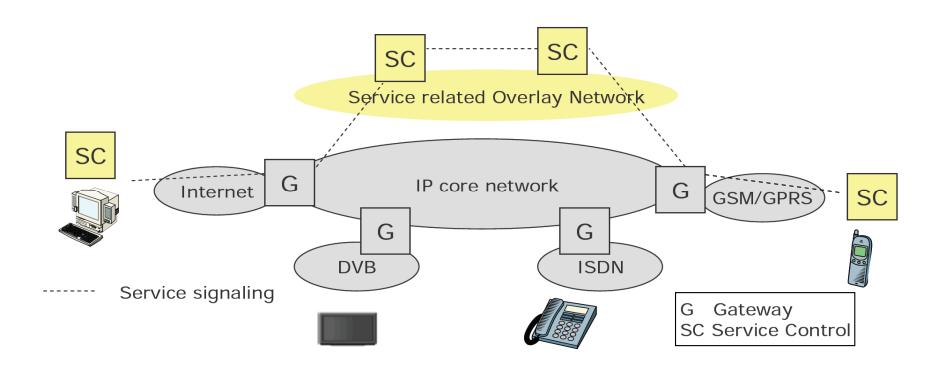
today: • service-specific networks

· vertical layering

future: • multiservice networks

horizontal layering

NGN - Generic NGN Architecture



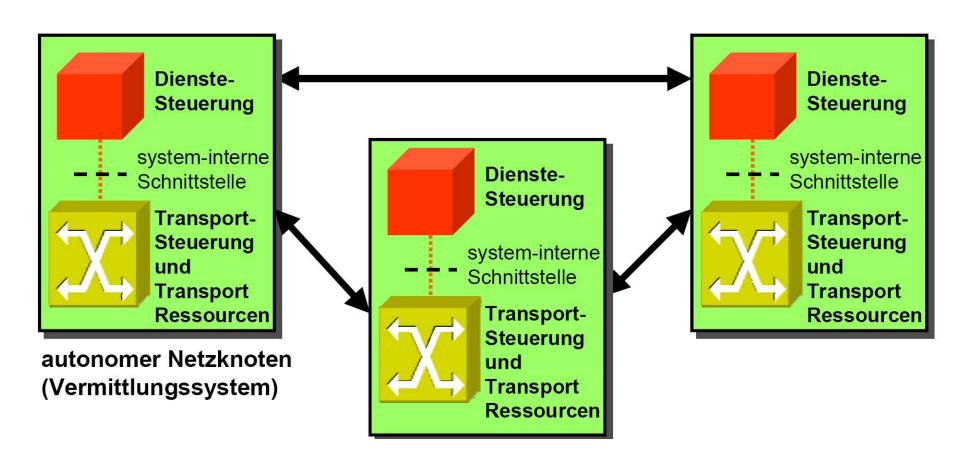
Characteristic of the NGN:

- IP-based core network as backbone for different (wired or wireless) access networks
- separated architecture: separation of (user data) transport and (connection and service)
 control
- legacy network elements are connected to the NGN via gateways

NGN - Evolution towards the NGN (Example: Telephony)

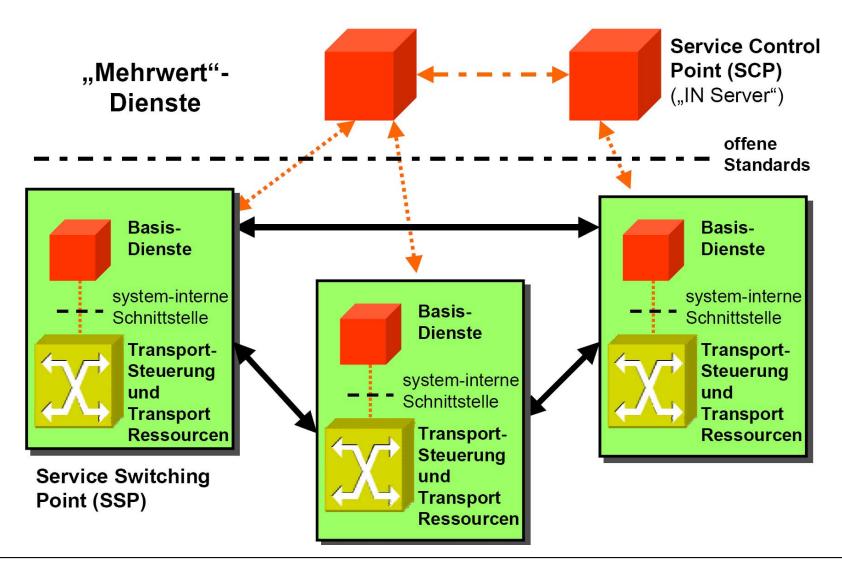
(1) Traditional Solution:

- call/service control integrated in switching system
- each node knows all the services and controls these services



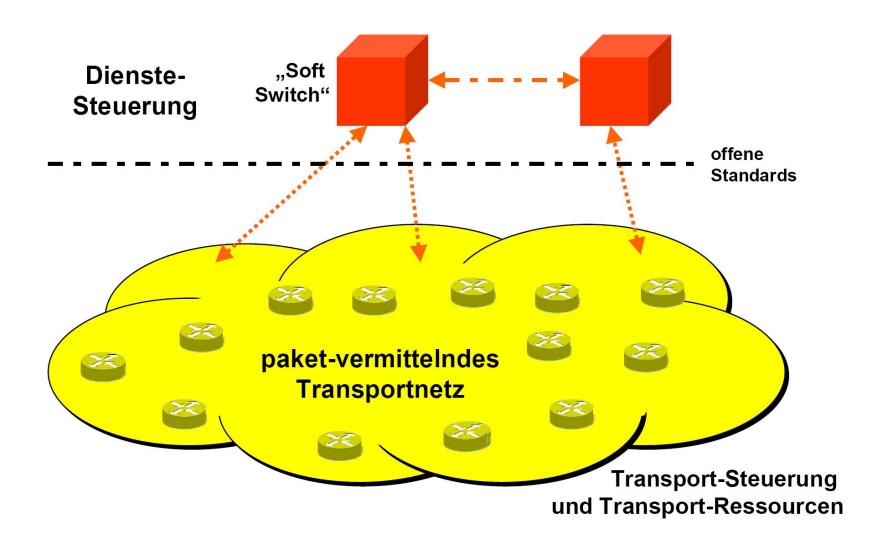
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(2) IN Introduction:

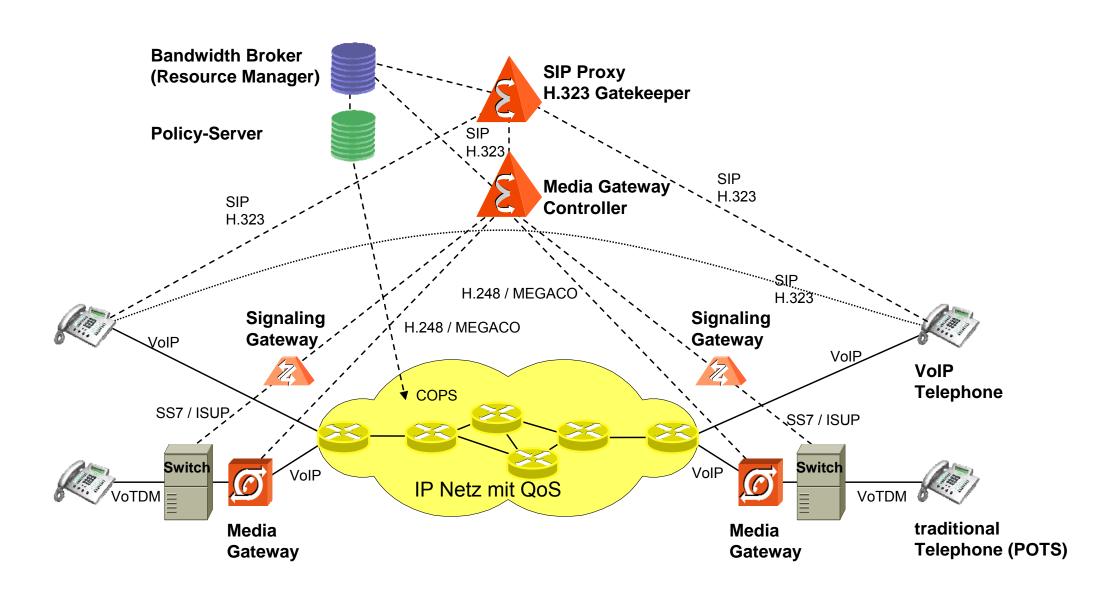


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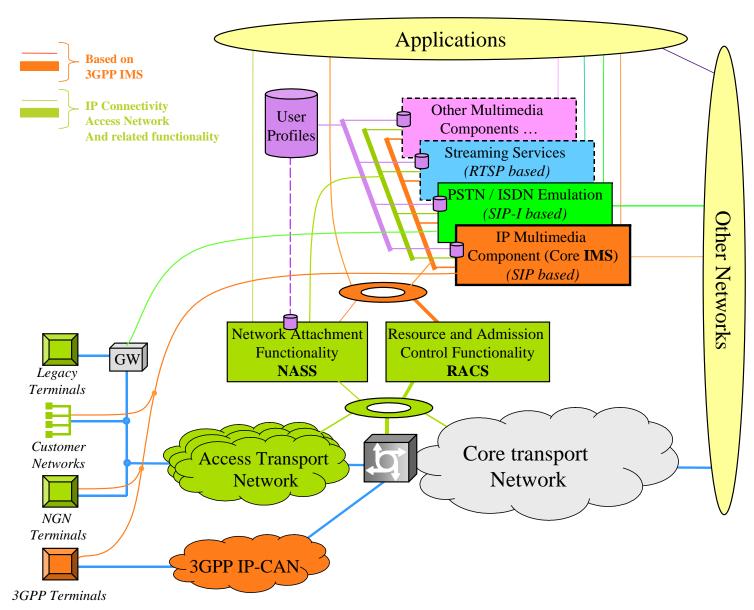
(3) NGN Solution:



NGN - Voice Service in the NGI (Example Scenario)



NGN - ETSI TISPAN* (Release 1) Architecture



^{*} Telecommunications and Internet converged Services and Protocols for Advanced Networking