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Chapter 10

E-commerce:

Digital Markets, Digital Goods



Learning Objectives

- 10.1 What are the unique features of e-commerce, digital markets, and digital goods?
- **10.2** What are the principal e-commerce business and revenue models?
- **10.3** How has e-commerce transformed marketing?
- **10.4** How has e-commerce affected business-to-business transactions?
- **10.5** What is the role of m-commerce in business, and what are the most important m-commerce applications?
- **10.6** What issues must be addressed when building an e-commerce presence?
- **10.7** How will MIS help my career?



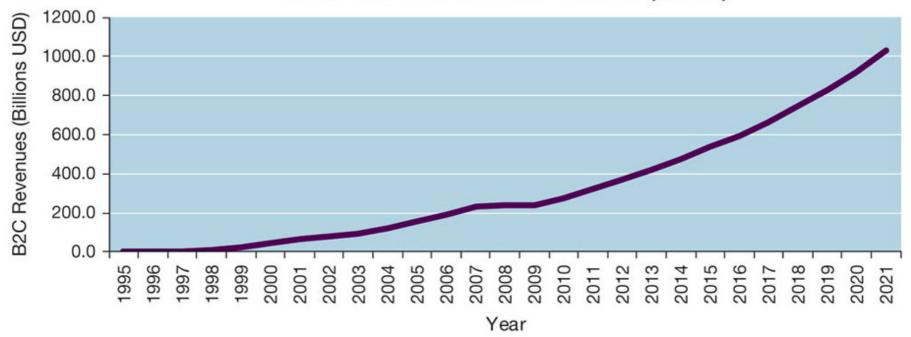
E-Commerce Today

- E-commerce: Use of the Internet and Web to transact business
- Began in 1995 and grew exponentially; still stable even in a recession
- Companies that survived the dot-com bubble now thrive
- The new e-commerce: social, mobile, local
- Move from desktop to smartphone



Figure 10.1 The Growth of E-Commerce







Why E-Commerce is Different (1 of 2)

Ubiquity

- Marketspace is virtual
- Transaction costs reduced

Global reach

Transactions cross cultural and national boundaries

Universal standards

One set of technology standards: Internet standards

Richness

Supports video, audio, and text messages



Why E-Commerce is Different (2 of 2)

- Interactivity
- Information density
 - Greater price and cost transparency
 - Enables price discrimination
- Personalization/customization
 - Technology permits modification of messages, goods
- Social technology
 - Promotes user content generation and social networking

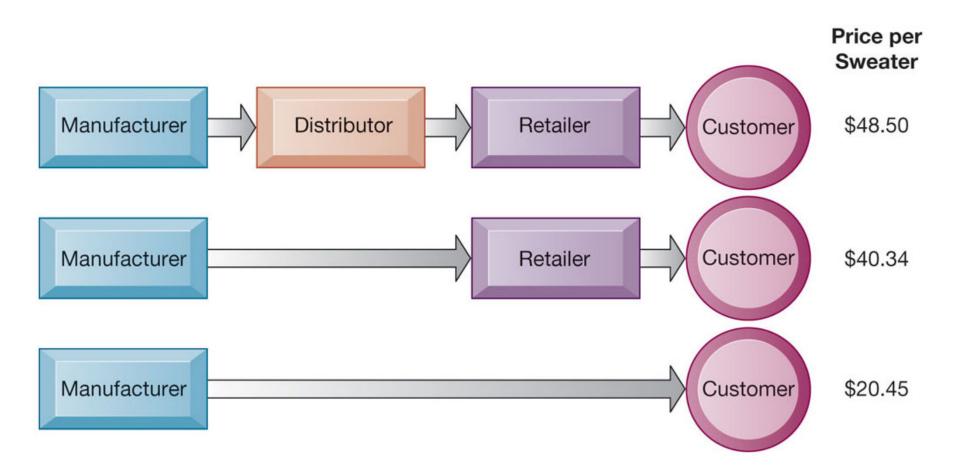


Key Concepts in E-Commerce

- Digital Markets and Digital Goods in a Global Marketplace
- Internet and digital markets have changed the way companies conduct business
- Information asymmetry reduced
- Menu costs, search and transaction costs reduced
- Dynamic pricing enabled
- Switching costs
- Delayed gratification
- Disintermediation



Figure 10.2 The Benefits of Disintermediation to the Consumer





Digital Goods

- Goods that can be delivered over a digital network
- Cost of producing first unit is almost entire cost of product
- Costs of delivery over the Internet very low
- Marketing costs remain the same; pricing highly variable
- Industries with digital goods are undergoing revolutionary changes (publishers, record labels, etc.)



Types of E-Commerce

- Three major types
 - Business-to-consumer (B2C)
 - Example: Barnes and Noble.com
 - Business-to-business (B2B)
 - Example: ChemConnect
 - Consumer-to-consumer (C2C)
 - Example: e Bay
- E-commerce can be categorized by platform
 - Mobile commerce (m-commerce)



E-Commerce Business Models

- Portal
- E-tailer
- Content provider
- Transaction broker
- Market creator
- Service provider
- Community provider



E-Commerce Revenue Models

- Advertising
- Sales
- Subscription
- Free/Freemium
- Transaction fee
- Affiliate



How Has E-commerce Transformed Marketing?

- Internet provides new ways to identify and communicate with customers
- Long tail marketing
- Internet advertising formats
- Behavioral targeting
 - Tracking online behavior of individuals
- Programmatic ad buying
- Native advertising



Figure 10.3 Website Visitor Tracking

Click 1

The shopper clicks on the home page. The store can tell that the shopper arrived from the Yahoo portal at 2:30 PM (which might help determine staffing for customer service centers) and how long she lingered on the home page (which might indicate trouble navigating the site). Tracking beacons load cookies on the shopper's browser to follow her across the Web.



The shopper clicks on blouses, then clicks to view a woman's pink blouse. The shopper clicks to select this item in a size 10 in pink and clicks to place it in her shopping cart. This information can help the store determine which sizes and colors are most popular. If the visitor moves to a different site, ads for pink blouses will appear from the same or a different vendor.

Click 6

From the shopping cart page, the shopper clicks to close the browser to leave the website without purchasing the blouse. This action could indicate the shopper changed her mind or that she had a problem with the website's checkout and payment process. Such behavior might signal that the website was not well designed.

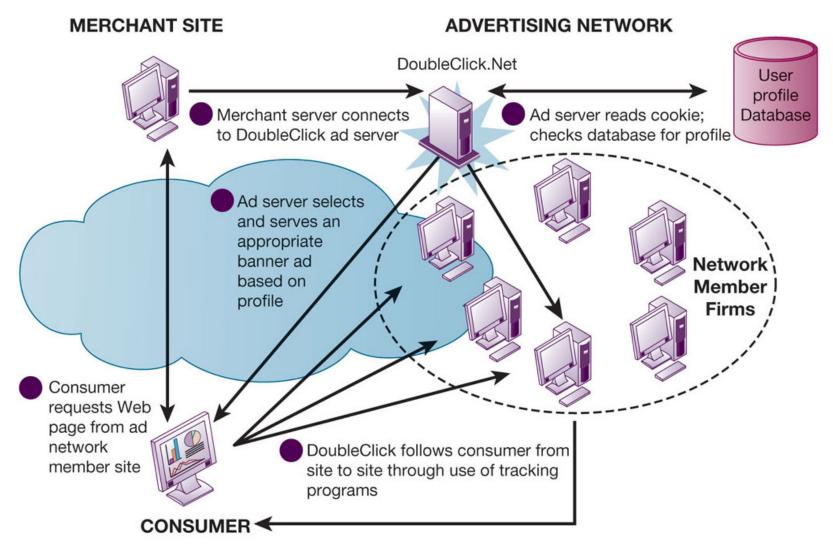


Figure 10.4 Website Personalization





Figure 10.5 How an Advertising Network such as DoubleClick Works





Social E-Commerce and Social Network Marketing (1 of 2)

- Social e-commerce based on digital social graph
- Features of social e-commerce driving its growth
 - Newsfeed
 - Timelines
 - Social sign-on
 - Collaborative shopping
 - Network notification
 - Social search (recommendations)
- Social media
 - Fastest growing media for branding and marketing



Social E-Commerce and Social Network Marketing (2 of 2)

- Social network marketing
 - Seeks to leverage individuals' influence over others
 - Targeting a social network of people sharing interests and advice
 - Facebook's "Like" button
 - Social networks have huge audiences
- Social shopping sites
- Wisdom of crowds
- Crowdsourcing



How Has E-Commerce Affected Business-To Business Transactions?

- U.S. B2B trade in 2019 is \$13.5 trillion
 - U.S. B2B e-commerce in 2018 is \$6.2 trillion
- Internet and networking helps automate procurement
- Variety of Internet-enabled technologies used in B2B
 - Electronic data interchange (EDI)
 - Private industrial networks (private exchanges)
 - Net marketplaces
 - Exchanges

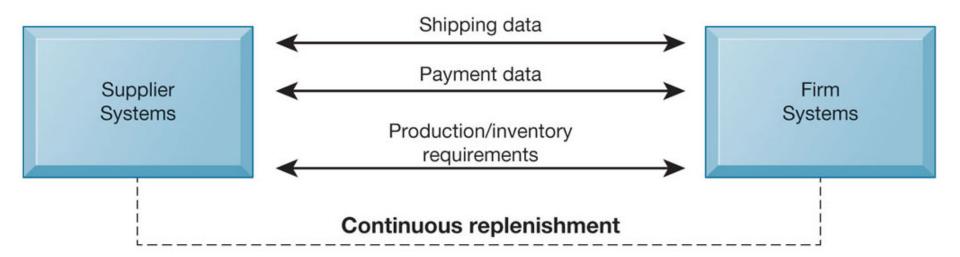


Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)

- Computer-to-computer exchange of standard transactions such as invoices, purchase orders
- Major industries have EDI standards
 - Define structure and information fields of electronic documents
- More companies are moving toward web-enabled private networks
 - Allow them to link to a wider variety of firms than EDI allows
 - Enable sharing a wider range of information



Figure 10.6: Electronic Data Interchange (EDI)





New Ways of B2B Buying and Selling

Private industrial networks

- Private exchanges
- Large firm using a secure website to link to suppliers and partners

Net marketplaces (e-hubs)

- Single digital marketplace for many buyers and sellers
- May focus on direct or indirect goods
- May be vertical or horizontal marketplaces

Exchanges

Independently owned third-party Net marketplaces for spot purchasing



Figure 10.7 A Private Industrial Network

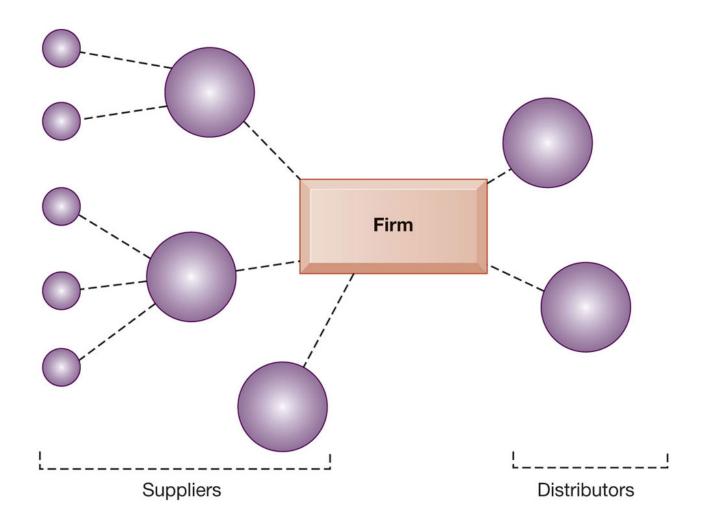
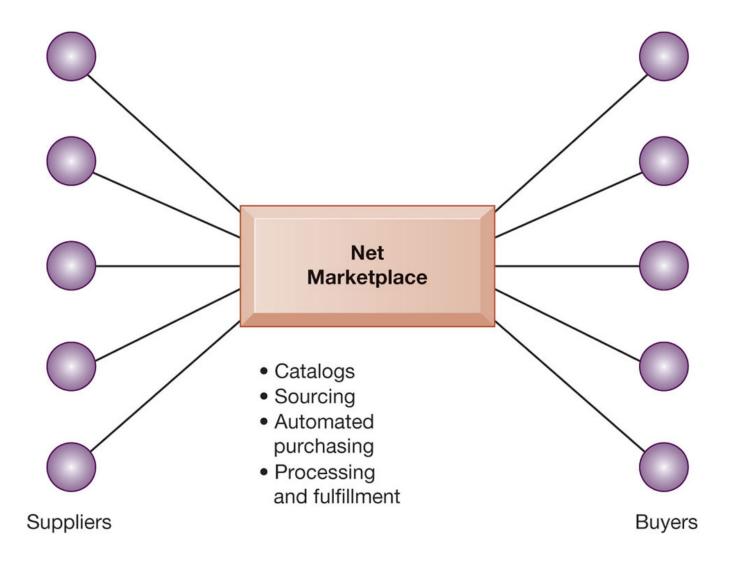




Figure 10.8 A Net Marketplace



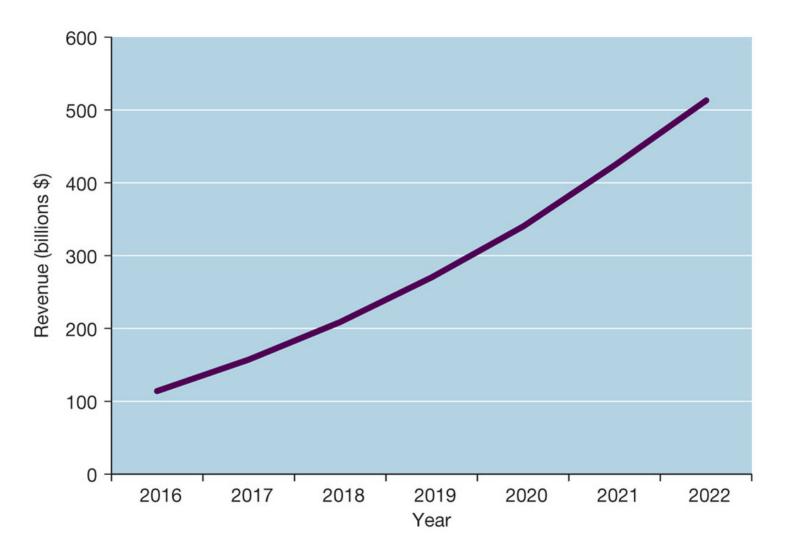


What is the Role of M-Commerce in Business, and What are the Most Important M-Commerce Applications?

- M-commerce in 2017 is 35% of all e-commerce
- Fastest growing form of e-commerce
 - Growing at 20% or more per year
- Main areas of growth
 - Mass market retailing (Amazon, eBay, etc.)
 - Sales of digital content (music, T V, etc.)
 - In-app sales to mobile devices



Figure 10.9 Mobile Retail Commerce Revenues





Location-Based Services and Applications

- Used by 74 % of smartphone owners
- Based on GPS map services
- Geosocial services
 - Where friends are
- Geo advertising
 - What shops are nearby
- Geo information services
 - Price of house you are passing



Other Mobile Commerce Services

- Financial account management apps
 - Banks, credit card companies
- Mobile advertising market
 - Google and Facebook are largest markets
 - Ads embedded in games, videos, and mobile apps
- 55% of online retailers have m-commerce websites

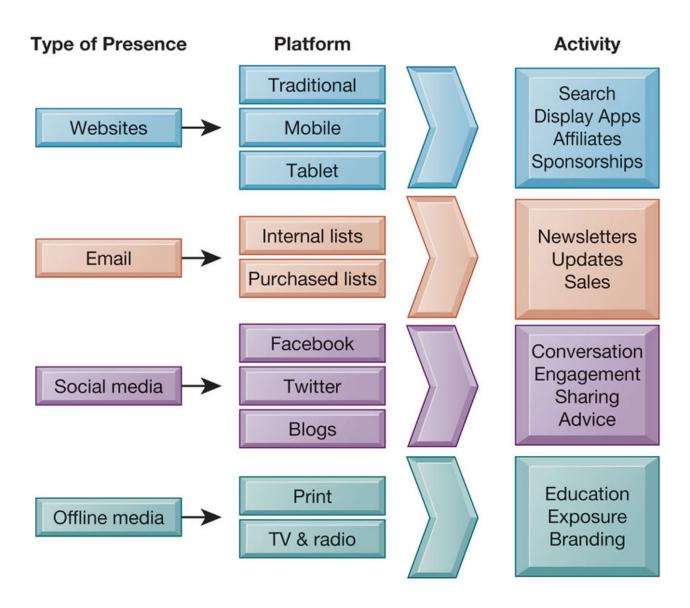


What Issues Must Be Addressed When Building an E-Commerce Presence?

- Most important management challenges
 - Developing clear understanding of business objectives
 - Knowing how to choose the right technology to achieve those objectives
- Develop an e-commerce presence map
 - Four areas: websites, e-mail, social media, offline media
- Develop a timeline: milestones
 - Breaking a project into discrete phases



Figure 10.10 E-Commerce Presence Map





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