

Trends of Interactive TV & Triple Play

中華電信北區分公司
互動式多媒體處
嚴劍琴

93年3月9日

Technology trends

- **4C's convergence**
- **Improvement and standardization of the encoding technology**
- **The enhancement and cost effective of IP video streaming network components**
- **The maturity of IP video CPE's**
- **The improvement of broadband access network**
- **The capability of QOS**

New business model

- Add new values to the existing Broadband service
- Fully utilization of the existing network
- Extend service scope from desk to sofa
- Customization and personalization of the video or non-video application services
- Open platform allow all kinds of service and service operator
- Retain the royalty of customers
- Provide quality service instead of price competition

New business model

- **Consumers are projected to spend more time and money on interactive services such as: pay-video and Internet media**
- **Increase revenue from premium services**
- **Extend service scope from desk to sofa**
- **Provide End-to-end management**
- **Build Platform for application services**
- **Generate more traffic and demand in core services**

Business Challenge for Telco: the “Triple Play”

Phone Services



- ◆ Call forwarding
- ◆ Voice box
- ◆ Call center
- ◆ Conferencing
- ◆ Number portability
- ◆ Additional phone lines with voice over DSL

High-speed Internet Services



- ◆ Classic web access
- ◆ e-mail, chat, newsgroups
- ◆ Short films, streaming
- ◆ Music and video files download
- ◆ Videoconferencing
- ◆ Online and offline gaming

TV Services



- ◆ interactive TV
- ◆ Video on demand
- ◆ Time shifted TV
- ◆ Gaming and gambling
- ◆ Web services on TV
- ◆ T-Commerce

The Race to “Triple Play”

	TV	High-speed Internet	Phone
Cable	Classic Market	Established Market	Introducing 2001
Terrestrial	Classic Market		
Satellite	Classic Market	Starting	
Copper	Introducing 2002	Established Market	Classic Market



Triple plays thru Telco

- Telco (ILEC or CLEC) operators start to deploy Video-on-Demand (VOD) services on broadband networks since 2001
- Some ISPs provide VOD services on PC with limited bandwidth and video screen
- Some broadband operators provide broadcasting TV channel service as well as VOD services on TV through Set-Top-Boxes
- Players: Fastweb, PCCW, Qwest, BB-Cable, CHT, Korea Telecom (expected April 2004), etc.



Triple plays thru cables

- Cable TV operators are rapidly increasing the availability of Video-on-Demand (VOD) services
- Experimenting with different ways of packaging and promoting the service include VOIP and HSI.
- As of mid-2003, approximately 40% of all US cable TV systems were offering VOD
- Almost 4 million cable TV subscribers were regularly using the service to watch movies, packaged premium programming, and even free shows and events

iTV Right time to go

- **Network Infrastructure**
 - ✓ **IP Network with Quality of Service guarantee**
 - ✓ **Broadband access network**
 - **xDSL**
 - **Ethernet**
 - **WLAN, etc.**
- **Business Model**
 - ✓ **Content Provider participation**
 - ✓ **Revenue share model**
- **More players -- Cost transition from early adopter to mass production**
 - ✓ **STB cost (less than US\$200)**
 - ✓ **Video stream (US\$200 per Mpeg 2 stream)**

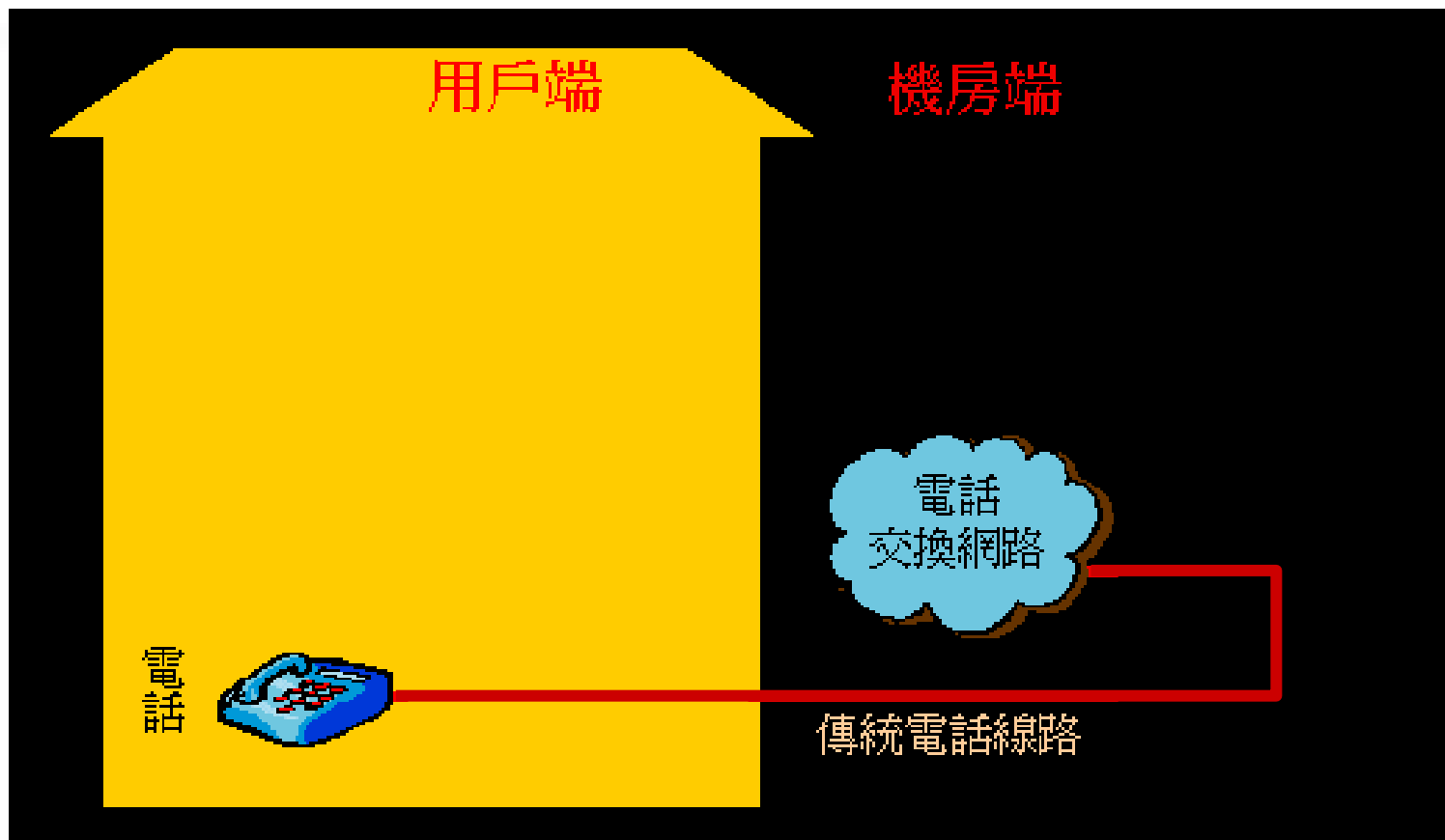
iTV Business model

- **Subscription based model**
 - ✓ **Learning, Travel, Game, Music...etc.**
 - ✓ **Channel program on demand (HBO on demand)**
- **On demand model**
 - ✓ **Movie titles**
 - ✓ **Performance**
 - ✓ **Documentary**
- **Advertising**
 - ✓ **Through portal**
 - ✓ **Advertising area**
- **Services Provider model**
 - ✓ **Co-located model: E-commerce. Learning, stock quotes, etc.**

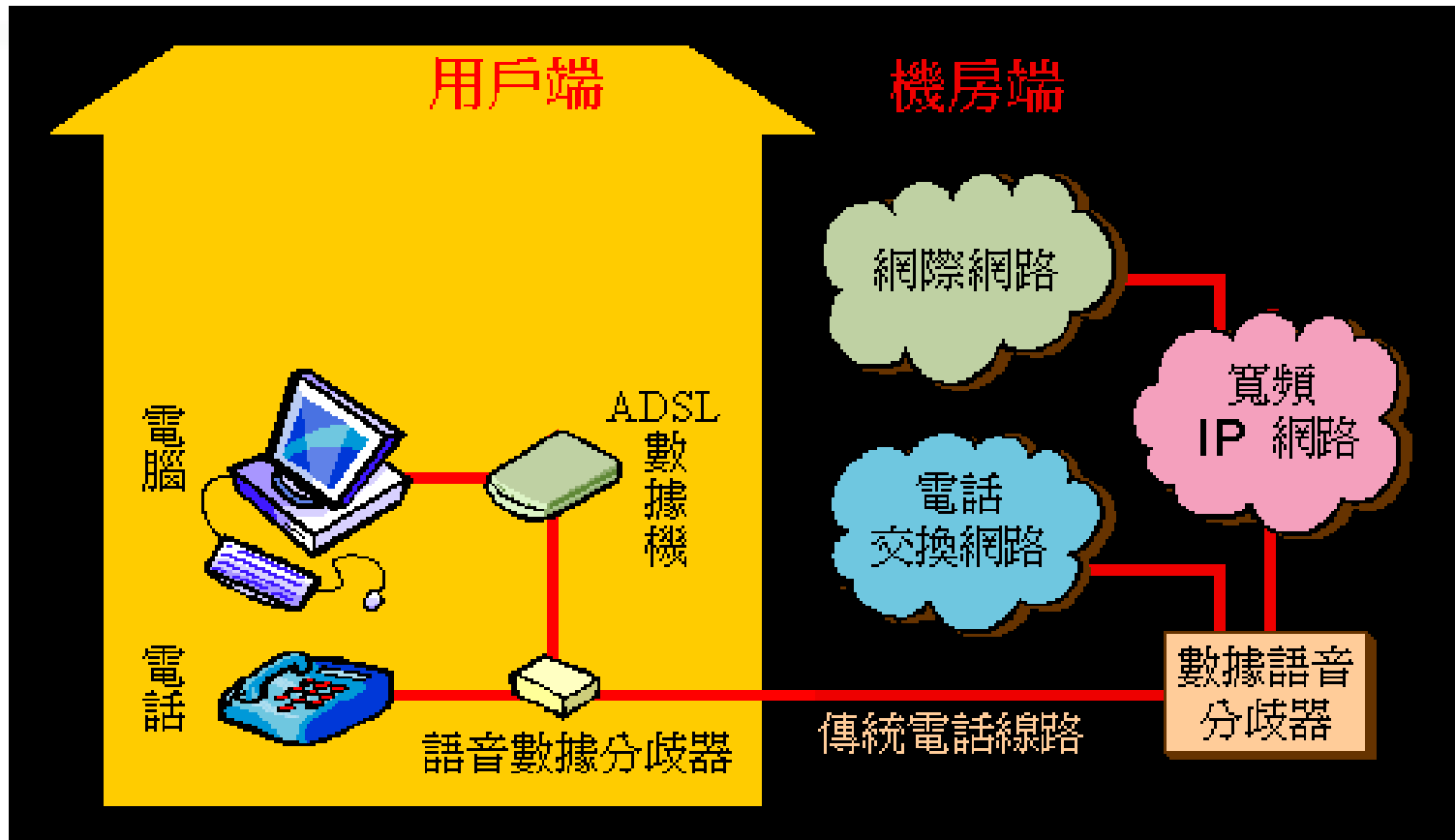
CHT MOD

- **CHT Multimedia on demand is a brand new telecom service**
- **Take advantage of the broadband switching network based on the new telecom technologies, such as ATM, IP switching, and ADSL**
- **Broaden the existing bandwidth of the local loop**
- **Provide the interactive multimedia environment of economy, convenience, and high bandwidth**
- **To react in time to meet the requirement of the revolutionary change of the traditional telecom services.**

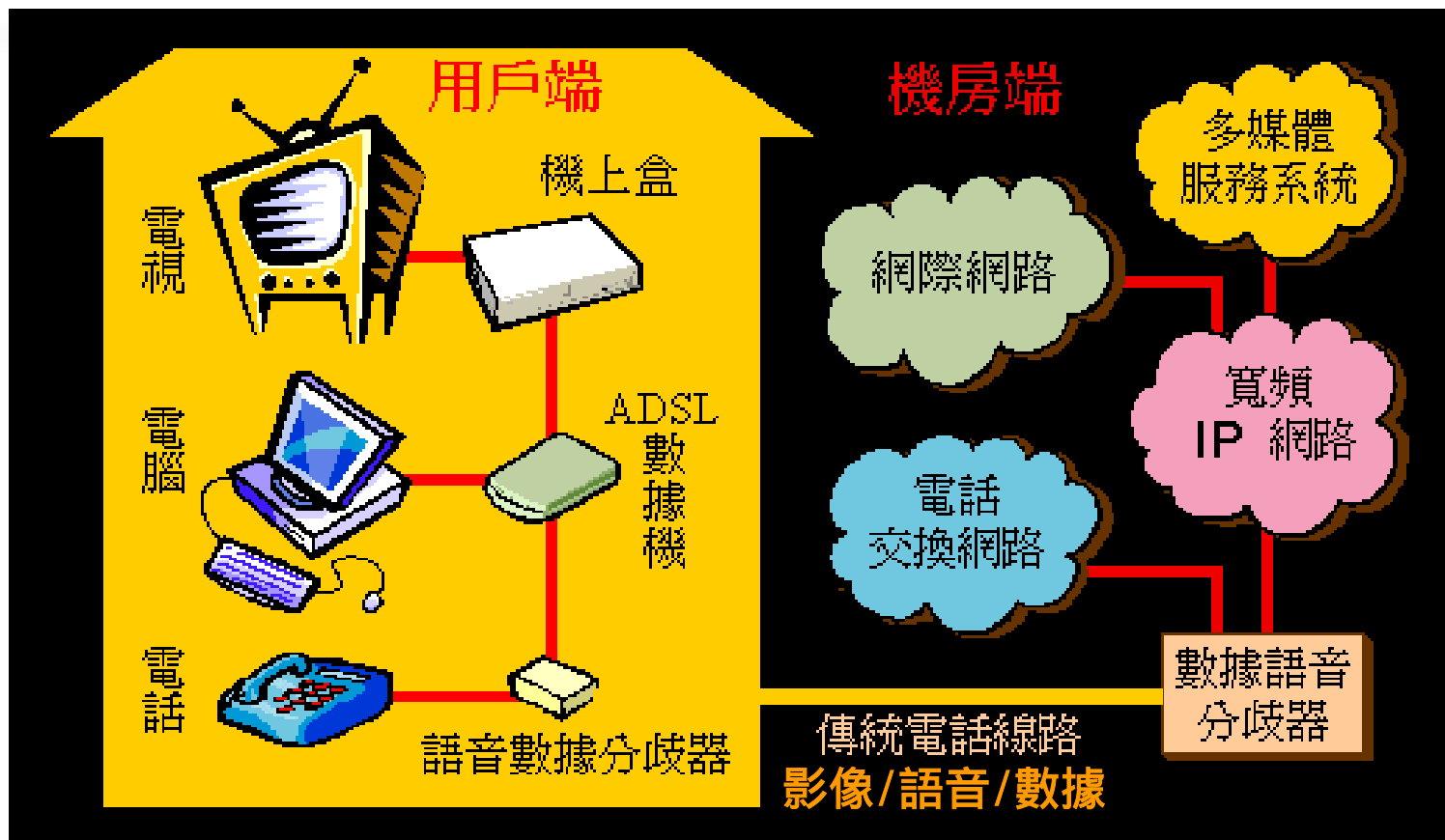
ADSL載送MOD架構



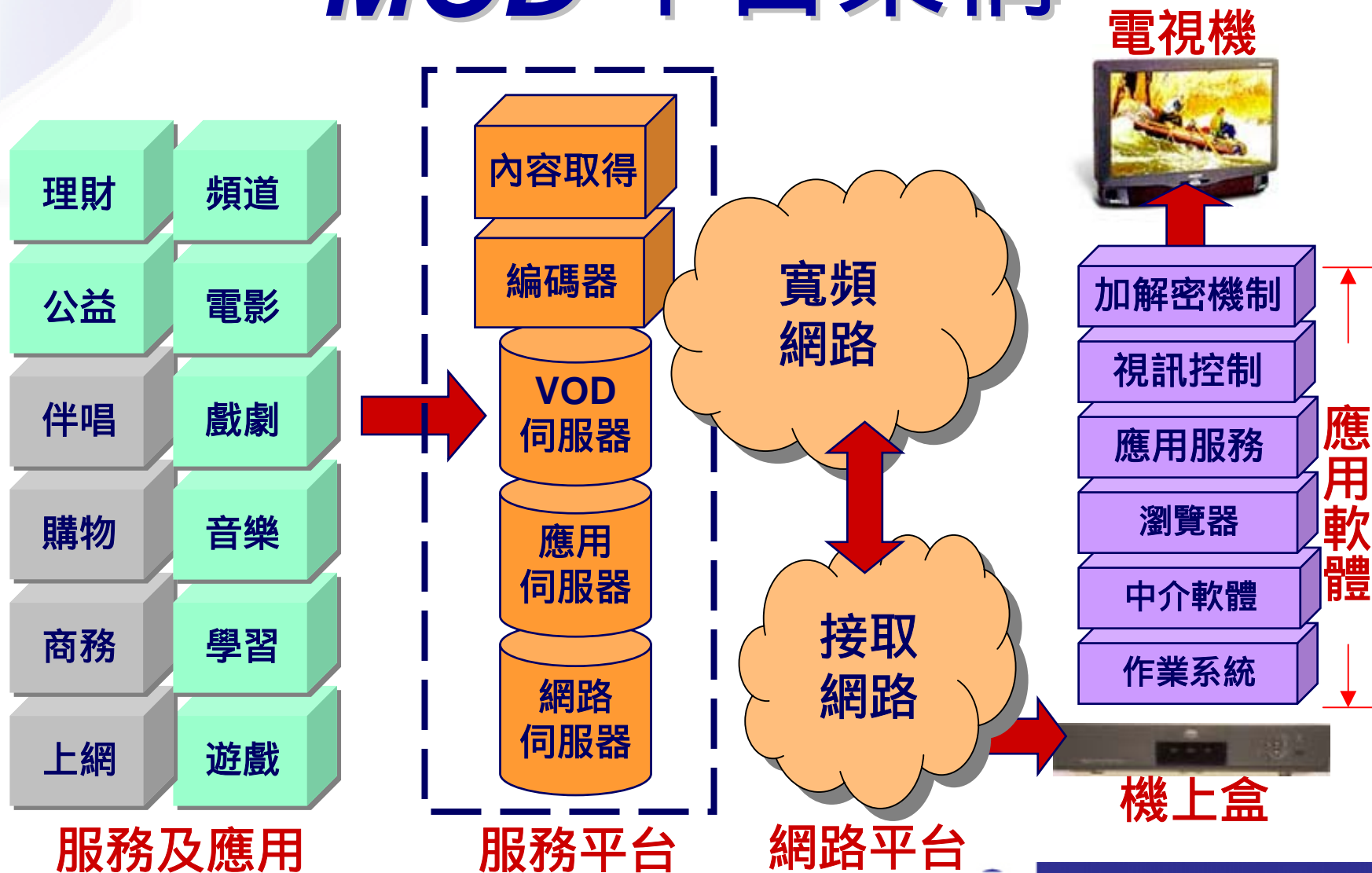
ADSL載送MOD架構



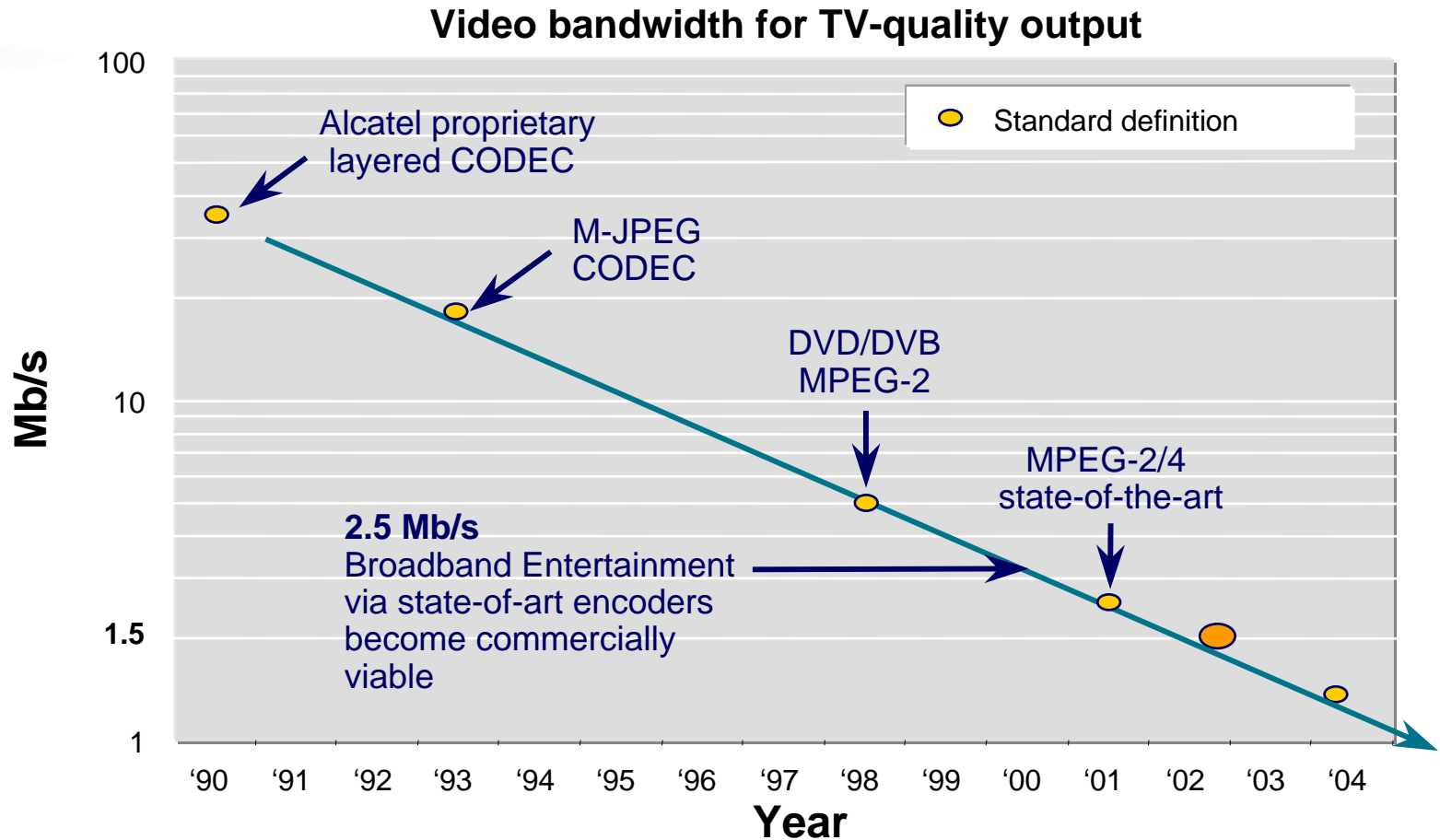
ADSL載送MOD架構



MOD 平台架構

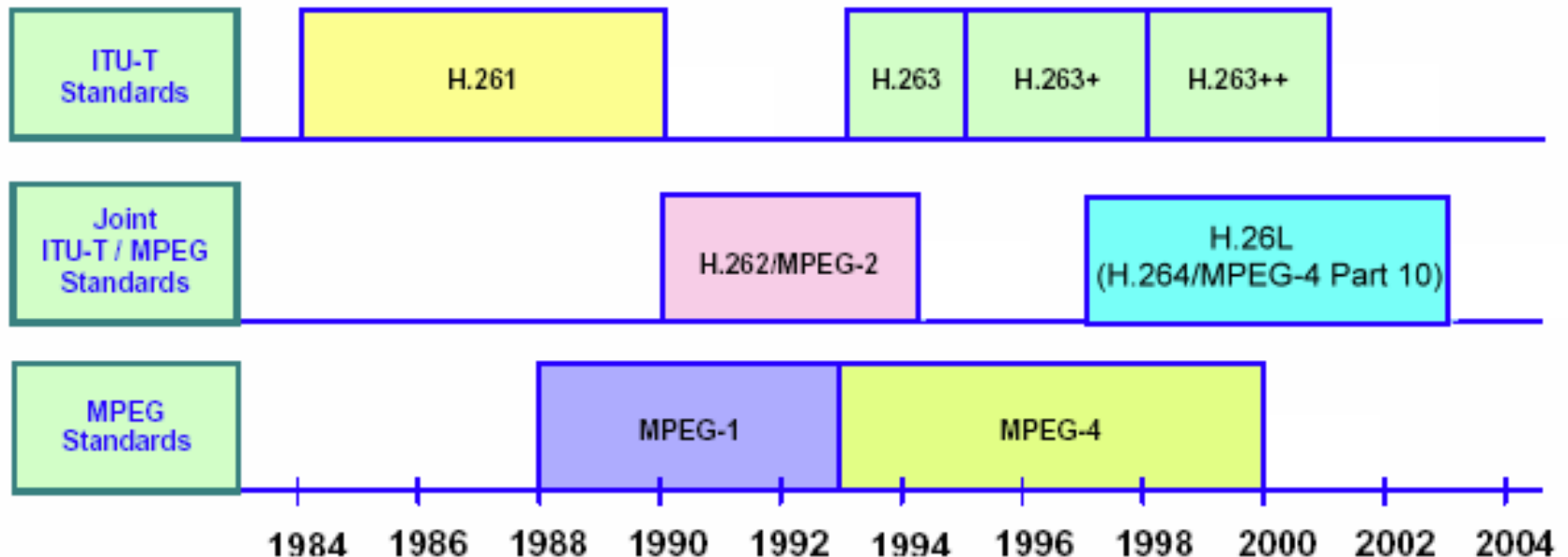


Compression Technology Evolution

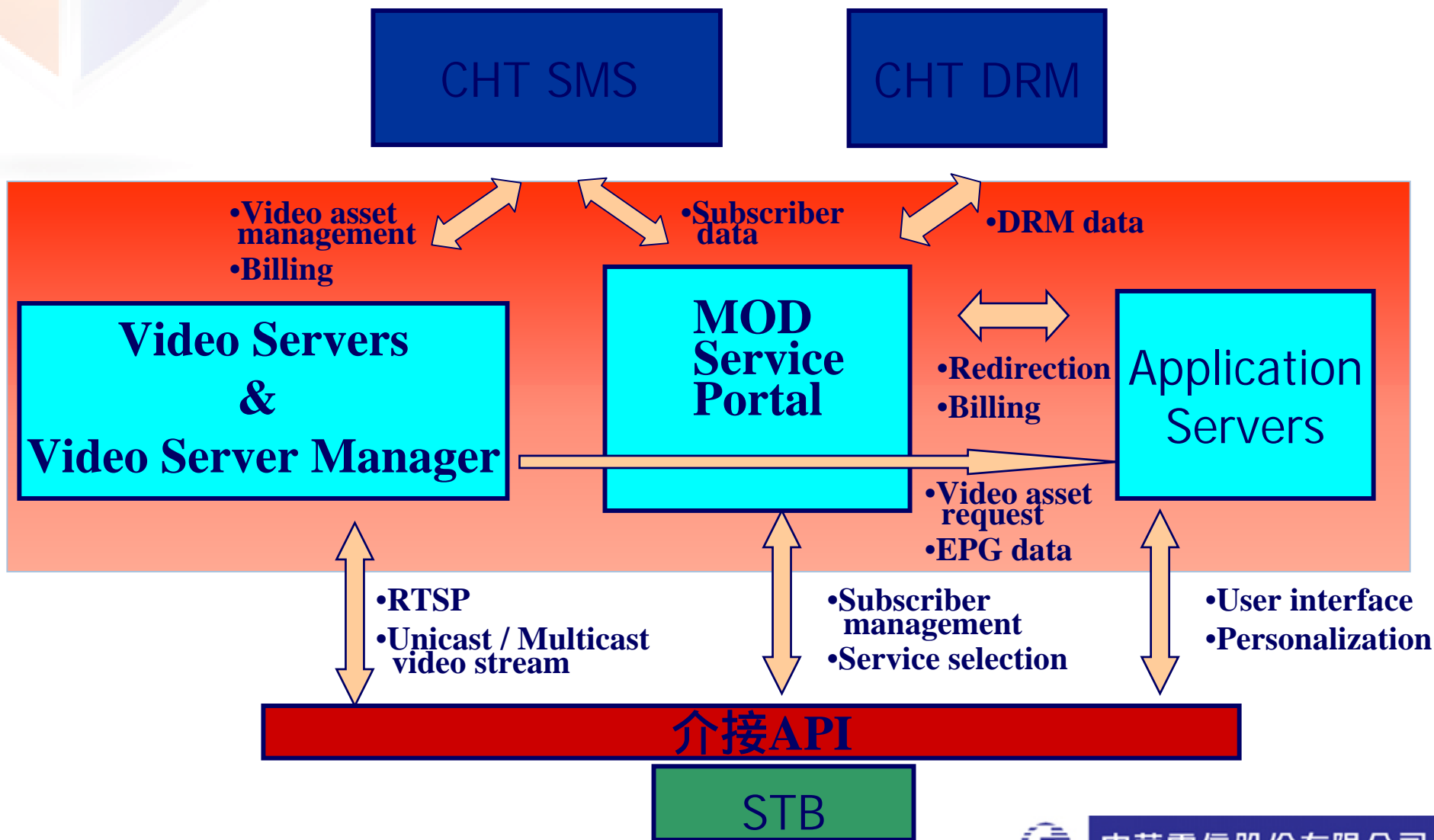


Video Coding Standards

- Two families of standards
 - ITU-T: H.26x (e.g., H.261, H.262, H.263, and H.26L)
 - ISO/IEC JTC1: MPEG-x (e.g., MPEG-1, MPEG-2, and MPEG-4)
- Progression of video coding standards



Architecture of Service Platform



Platform consideration(1/2)

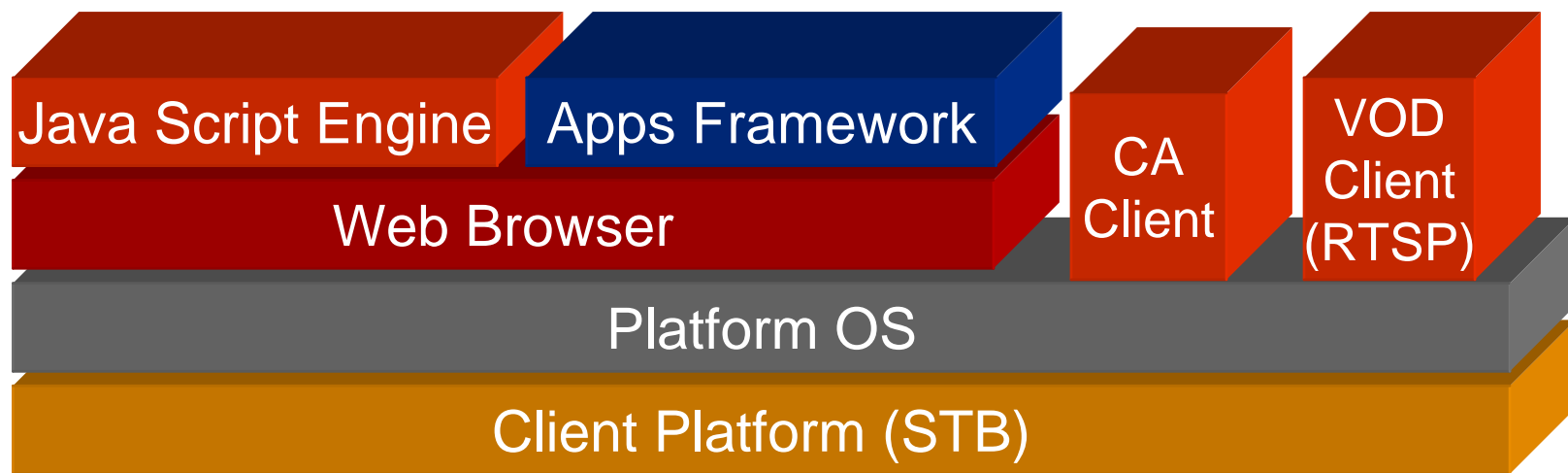
- **Distributed Video Server Architecture**
 - ✓ **Efficiency to network and HE devices.**
 - **Almost 80 % content request streamed locally**
 - **As close as possible between media server and the users**
 - **Content caching**
 - **Predictive caching**
 - **Dynamic caching based on runtime usage characteristic**
 - **Streaming while fetching**
 - **Storage efficiency**
 - ✓ **Expanding service area easily**
 - **Automatic content propagation**
 - ✓ **Much more reliable system**

Platform consideration(2/2)

- **Open Platform Architecture**
 - ✓ **Open API to un-bundle AP from platform**
 - ✓ **Open protocol to allow multi-STB vendors**
 - ✓ **Standards STB and AP to simplify Aps development**
 - ✓ **Ensure operator fully control the SMS such as billing, provisioning, customer management.**
 - ✓ **Free UI from middleware**
 - ✓ **Free from DRM system**
- **Backend Management Platform**
 - ✓ **Asset management**
 - ✓ **Program management**
 - ✓ **Content delivery system**
 - ✓ **Operation and maintenance requirement**

STB架構 (1/2)

□ STB將以**Thin-Client**之架構設計，以快速開發多樣化互動電視服務。



IP Set-Top-Box

- **IP set-top boxes present new opportunities for network service providers to deliver revenue-generating home entertainment services**
- **Users can consume videos and music, browse the Internet, play games, and use e-mail services—all through a single television interface provided by an IP set-top box**
- **IP set-top boxes can deliver much of the same cable or satellite set-top box functionality**
- **The bi-directional IP infrastructure enables inherent support for a broader range of applications and interactive services**

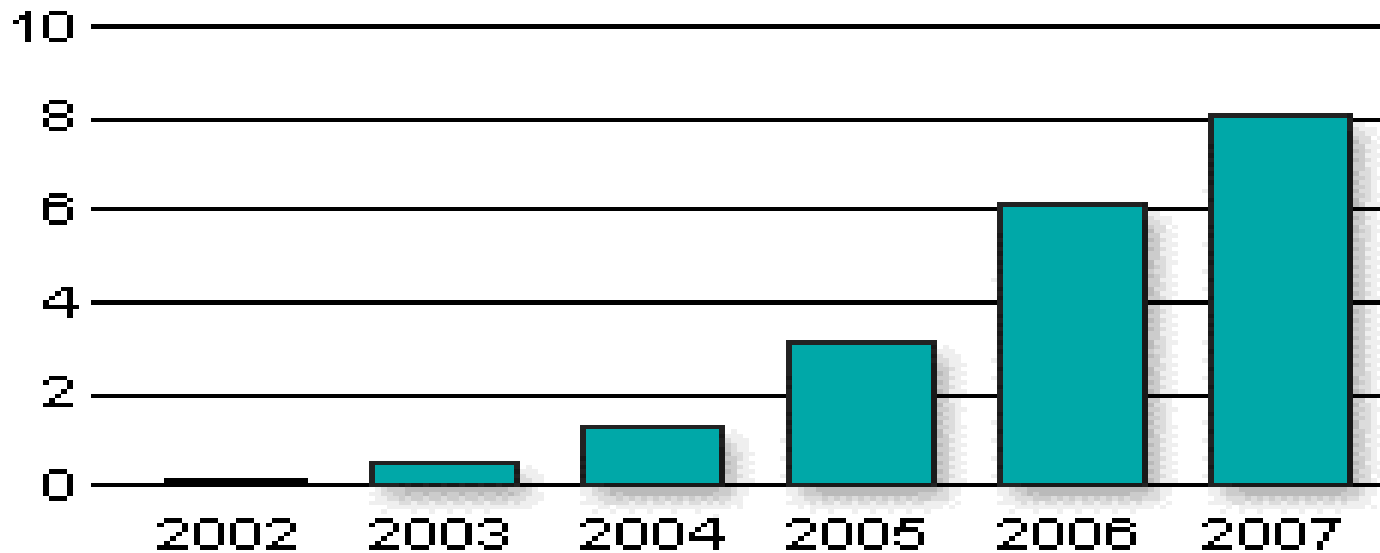
IP Set-top-box

- **Worldwide opportunity for IP set-top boxes will reach 8 million units per year by 2007.**
- **The average growth rate is almost 200 percent per year for the next three years** *(In-Stat, "Telco Video Delivery: Pockets of Activity Emerge," April 2003, Michelle Abraham, Group: Converging Markets & Technologies, Report*

No. IN030572MB)

IP Set-top-box shipments

Worldwide IP/DSL Set Top Box Unit Shipments (Units in Millions)



Source: In-Stat/MOR, 7/03

Summary

- **The trends of 4C's convergence lead to more and more competition.**
- **Cable, ILEC and CLEC operators all toward providing triple play service.**
- **The choice of standards and formats is a critical challenge to operators.**
- **To ensure the investment, flexibility is still important to this market.**



敬請指教