Network Modelling and PSTN-NGN Migration

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1 Introduction

Changes in Telecommunication Networks

- NGN (Next Generation Networks), Voice/All over IP, UMTS Release 5, Fixed/mobile Convergence
- Network integration: e.g. PSTN, ISDN, GSM
- \rightarrow More complex networks

Reduction of complexity

- By using a structured network model
- $\,\rightarrow\,$ OSI Reference Model with 7 Layers, ISDN- and generic protocol reference model
- But: Restricted to certain Layers or Strata
- But: Important network functions such as "Services", "Mobility", "Security",
 "Quality of Service" are spread over different Layers and Planes → not modelable
- \rightarrow New network model required!

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2 New Network Model

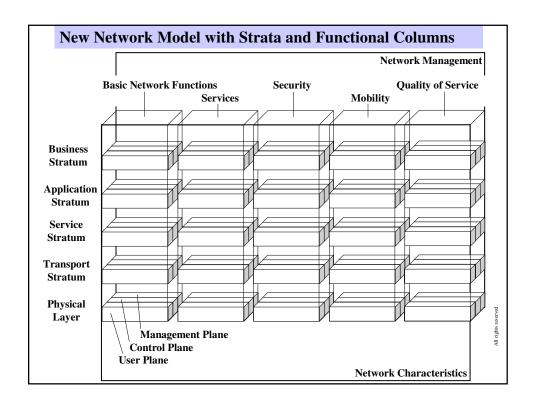
Characteristics

- For modelling arbitrary Telecommunication Networks
- 1) Graphical Model
- 2) Calculation Model for variant calculation
- Strata: Layer(s)
- Planes
- Functional columns
- Network Management
- Concrete network characteristics such as number of subscribers, traffic dimensions
- ightarrow Overcoming the restrictions of OSI Reference Model
- $\,\rightarrow\,$ Solving the problem of modelling overall network functions such as Security and Mobility

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3 Procedure for Designing a Network – Step 1: Definition of Requirements

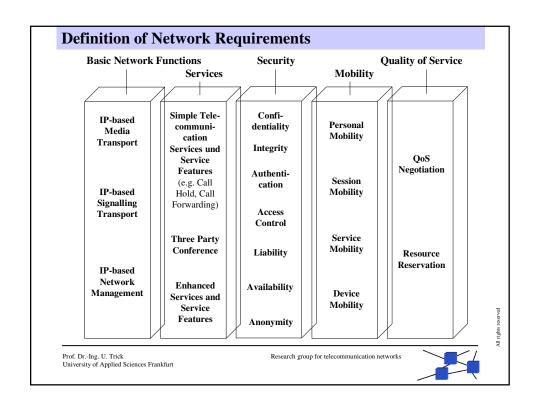
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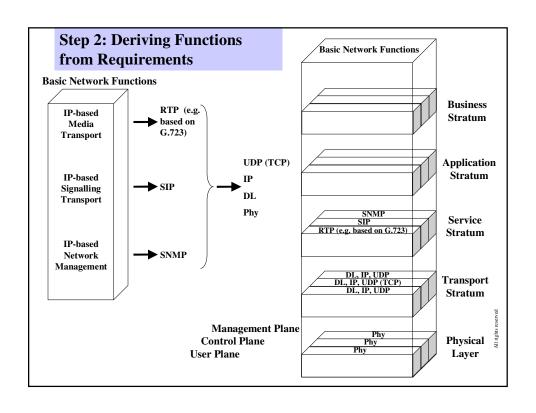
Step 1: Definition of requirements for

- Basic network functions
- Services
- Security
- Mobility
- Quality of Service
- Network Management
- Network Characteristics
- ightarrow "Natural" approach

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Step 3: Allocating Network Functions to Network Nodes

Type of Network, e.g. SIP/IP-based:

- → SIP User Agent
- → SIP Registrar Server
- **SIP Proxy Server**
- **SIP Application Server**
- **Conference Server**
- **IP Router**
- Firewall
- **Bandwidth Broker**
- One individual column-based network model for each type of network element
- Each network element model = Subset of total network model
- Overlap of all network element models = total network model

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Step 4: Complete Functions in one or more Nodes if necessary

Aditional functions are automatically adopted from nodes into total network model

Step 5: Export Network Characteristics from Graphical Model into Calculation Model

Automated readout of numeric network characteristics (e.g. number of subscribers, traffic dimensions, costs) from up to four graphical network models

Step 6: Use Calculation Model

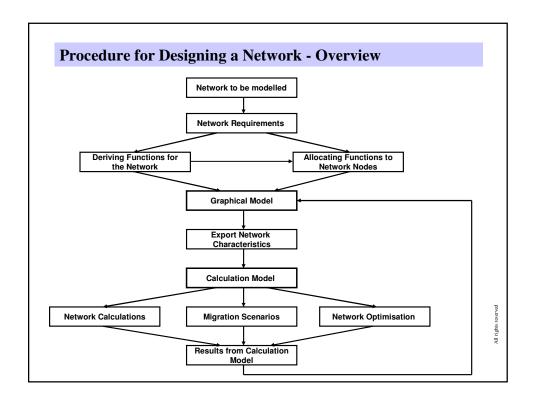
- Add further numeric characteristics to imported characteristics if necessary
- ightarrow Network calculations, cetwork optimisations, migration scenarios
- Arbitrary number of single scenarios for time sequence simulation

Step 7: Export Results from Calculation Model into Graphical Model

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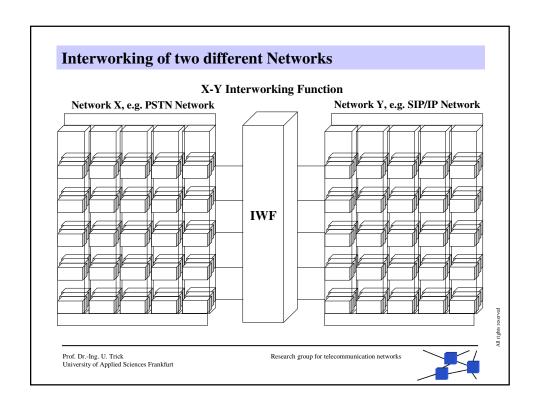


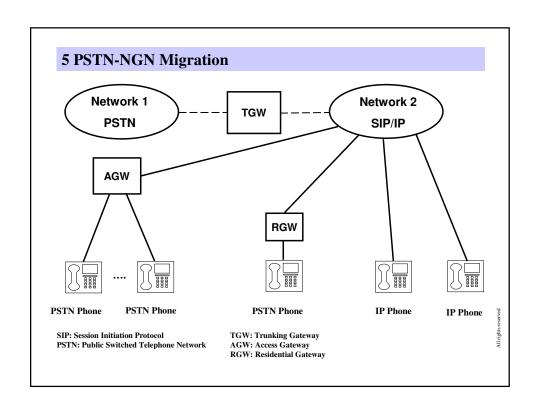
4 Network Interworking

- In future: pure IP networks such as SIP/IP fixed networks, UMTS Release 7
- While still converging: heterogeneous networks, both circuit and packet switched, different protocol stacks
- → Interworking, gateways for connecting (2) networks
- Steps 1 and 2: Graphical Model for each of the 2 networks
- Step 8: Merging both Graphical Models → Relationship of network functions, Interworking Function (e.g. ISUP-SIP)
- Step 9: Allocating Interworking Functions to network nodes (e.g. Media Gateway Controller)
- Full Model Realisation with EXCEL and VBA (Visual Basic for Applications)

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PSTN-/SIP/IP Migration

User Traffic

- 0,119 Erl per PSTN subscriber
- 0,4 Erl per SIP/IP subscriber

Trunking Gateway (TGW)

- Traffic: 7.200 Erl (240 E1 à 30 Erl)
- Cost: 720 CU (Cost Unit)

Access Gateway (AGW)

- Traffic: 2.380 Erl (20.000 PSTN subscriber à 0,119 Erl)
- Cost: 12.500 CU

Residential Gateway (RGW)

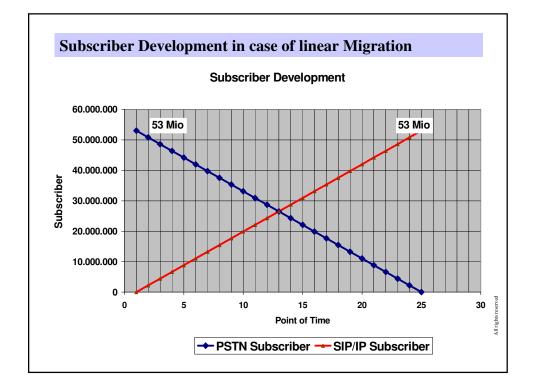
- Traffic: 0,119 Erl
- Cost: 1,2 CU

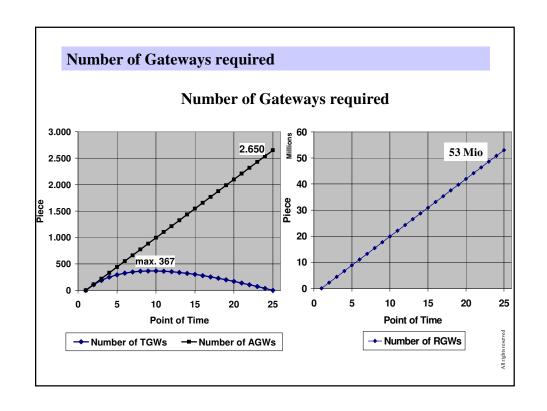
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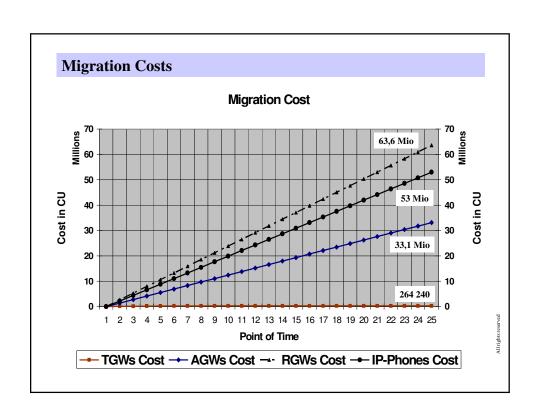
- Traffic: 0,4 Erl
- Cost: 1 CU

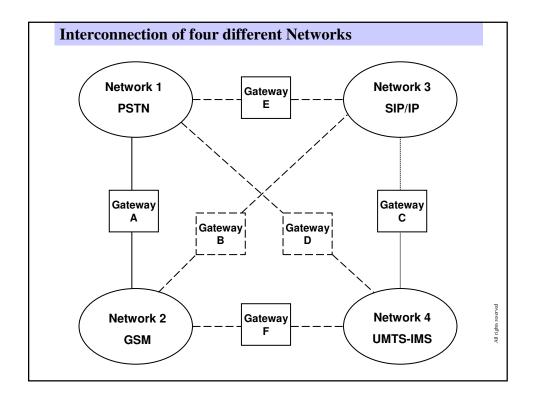
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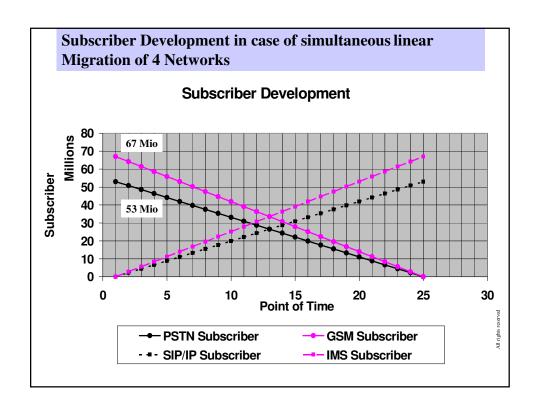


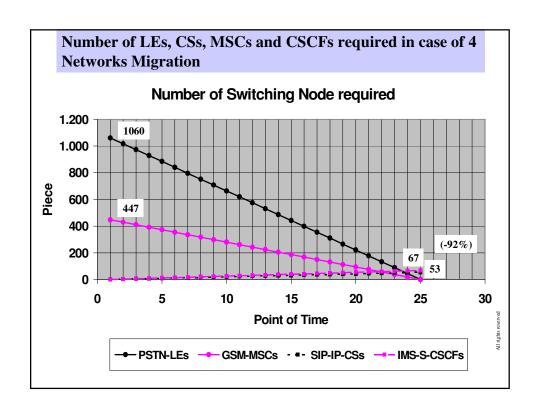
PSTN-SIP/IP- and GSM-IMS-Migration → All-IP Network

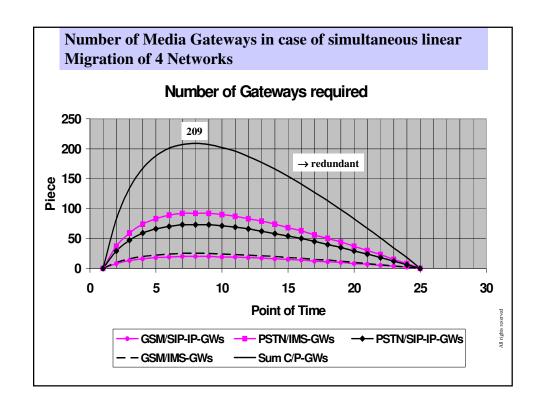
- 0,119 Erl average traffic per bearer channel (fixed subscriber)
- max. 50000 bearer channels per local exchange
- 0,4 Erl average traffic per SIP/IP subscriber
- max. 1 Million subscriber per CS (Call Server = SIP/IP-Softswitch)
- 0,025 Erl average traffic per GSM subscriber
- max. 150000 mobile subscriber per MSC (Mobile Switching Center)
- 0,4 Erl average traffic per IMS subscriber
- max. 1 million subscriber per S-CSCF (Serving-Call Session Control Function)
- max. 19354 Erl per IP/PSTN- or IMS/GSM-Media Gateway
- $\quad GSM/IP\text{- and } PSTN/IP\text{-} Gateways exchangeable}$

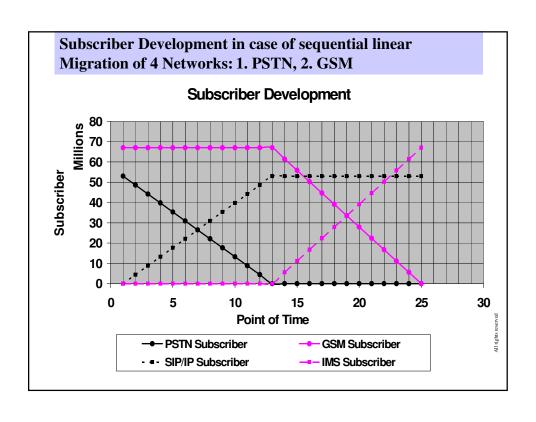
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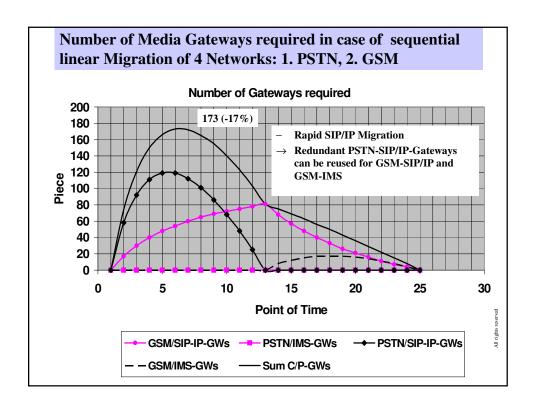
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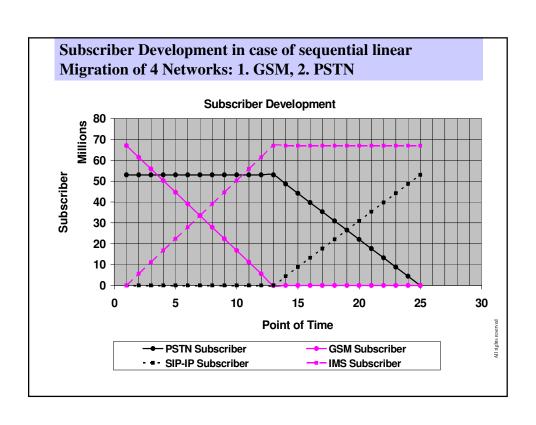


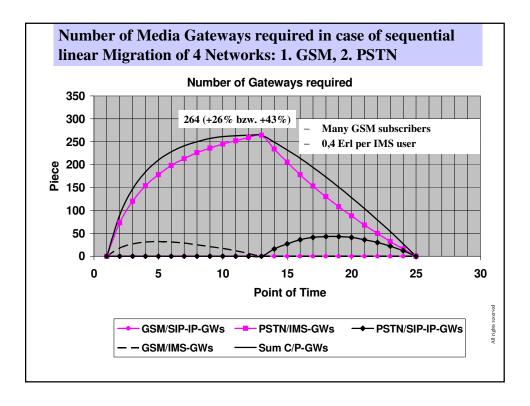












Summary

- Use of the new network model recommendable
- Proceed according to the steps 1 to 9
- Migration of circuit to packet switched network
 - ightarrow very strong reduction of the number of switching systems
- Minimization of redundant media gateways by clever migration
- Possibility of minimization of PSTN-SIP/IP migration costs by clever model use
- Choose the most suitable Gateway type in each case
- Migration costs can be related to providers (TGW, AGW, RGW) or users (IP-Phone, RGW)

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