

# Communication Networks 2



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# Analogue <-> digital telephony



- Analogue: 4 kHz      Digital: approx. 64 kHz
- Then why digital?!
- Because:
  - simpler and more reliable
  - nowadays it is cheaper (10-15 years ago was more expensive)
  - signal/noise ratio independent from the size of the network
  - production of digital equipments does not require individual adjusting
  - smaller equipments
  - lower voltage / smaller power consumption
  - more intelligent services can be implemented
  - more sophisticated signalling
  - integrated data and voice transmission
  - simpler maintenance
  - switching can be implemented without moving parts
  - in mobile systems: new codec types -> smaller bandwidth
- In developed countries the switches, core network pure digital

# Analogue<->digital telephony

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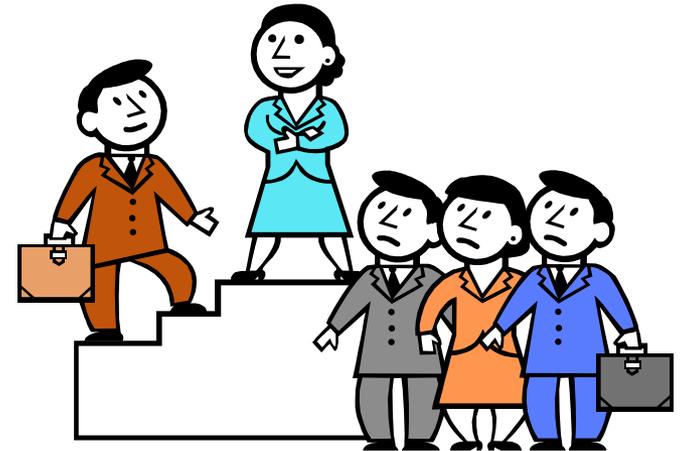


- But: terminals in fixed networks are mainly analogue
  - quality is acceptable
  - lot of users do not want to pay for the new services
  - lot of new services can be accessed by analogue equipments, too:
    - intelligence in the switch not in the equipment!
    - digital extensions in analogue equipments: number presentation (display), SMS
  - See in ISDN chapter!

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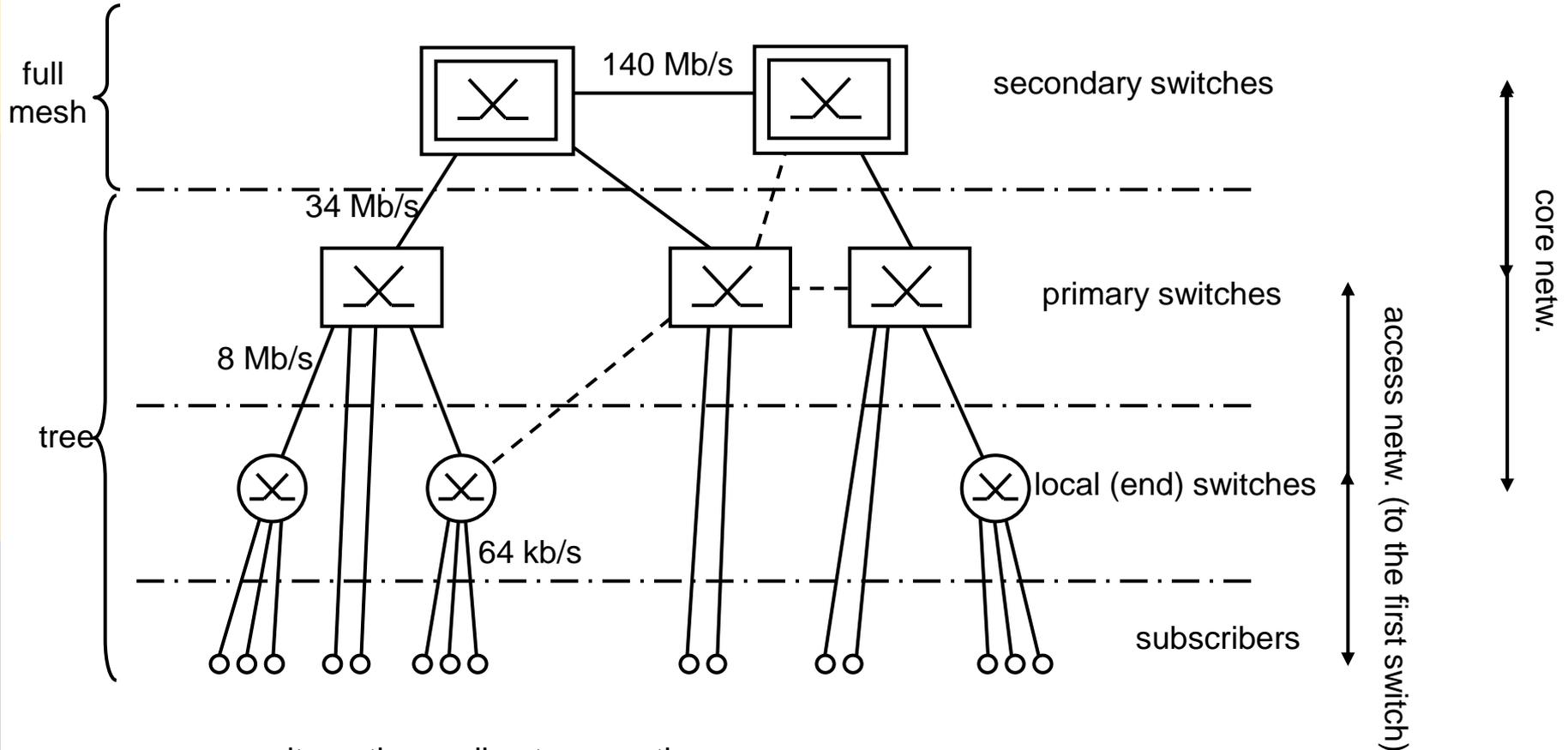
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- Basics of telecommunication networks
  - Analogue and digital transmission
  - **Topological overview of telecomm. networks**
  - Numbering
  - ISDN



# Topological overview of telecomm. networks

## □ Topology of Public Switched Telephony Network (Hungary)

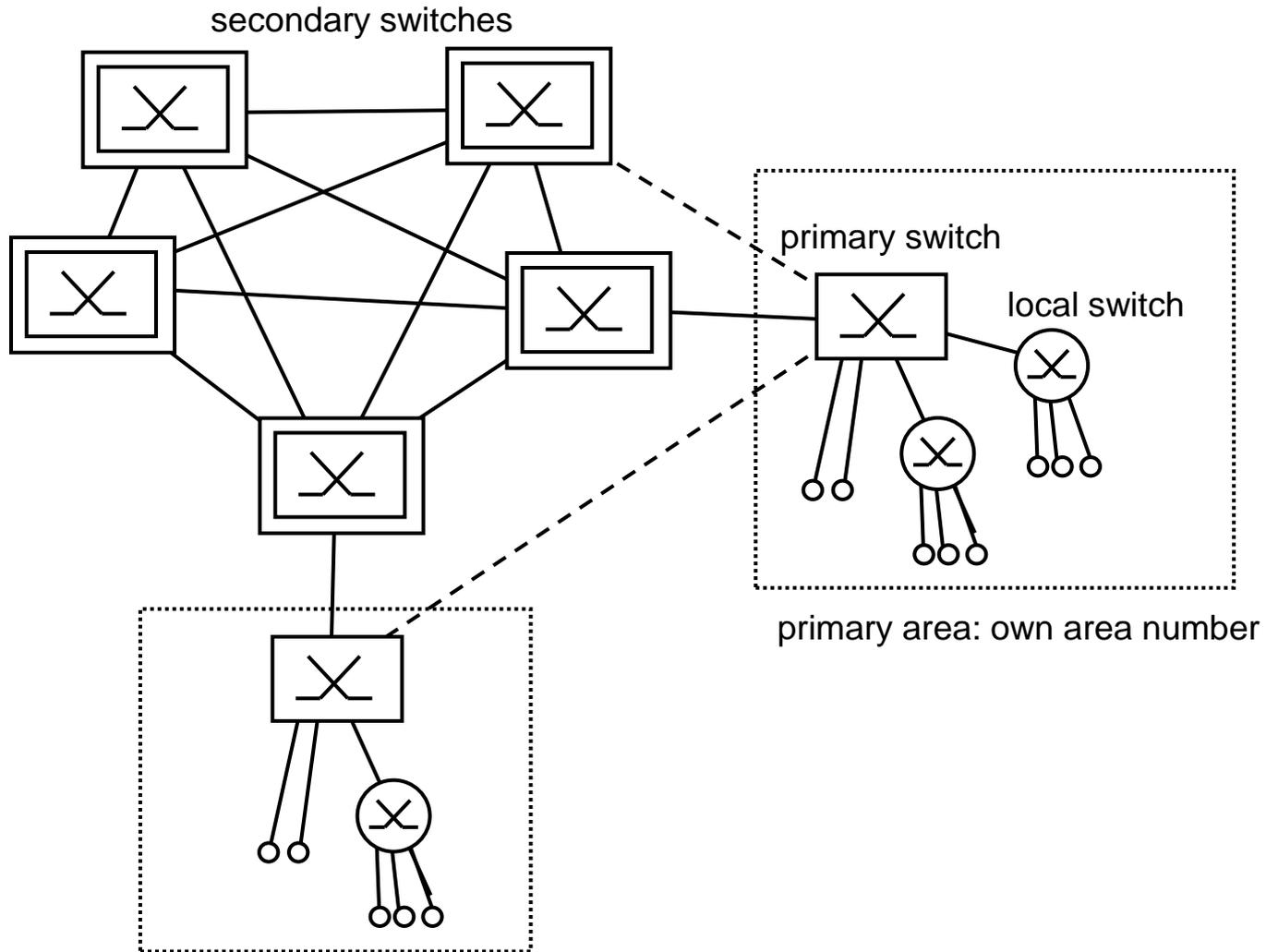


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goal: to optimize routing, make the network more reliable (redundancy!)

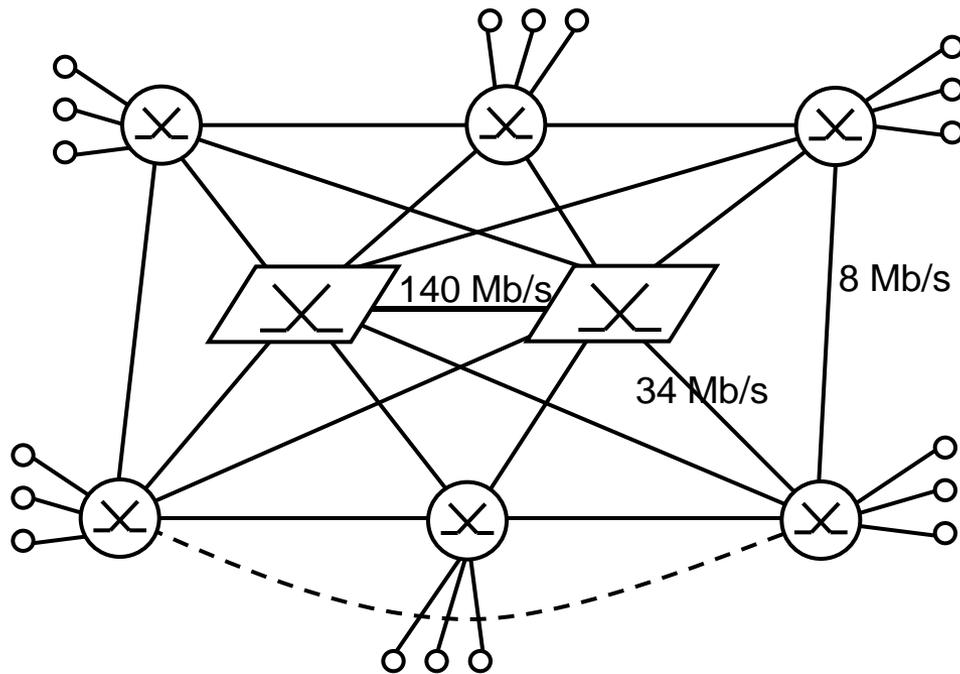
Bit speeds are (typical) examples, other solutions are also possible

# Geographical topology - example



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# Metropolitan network architecture

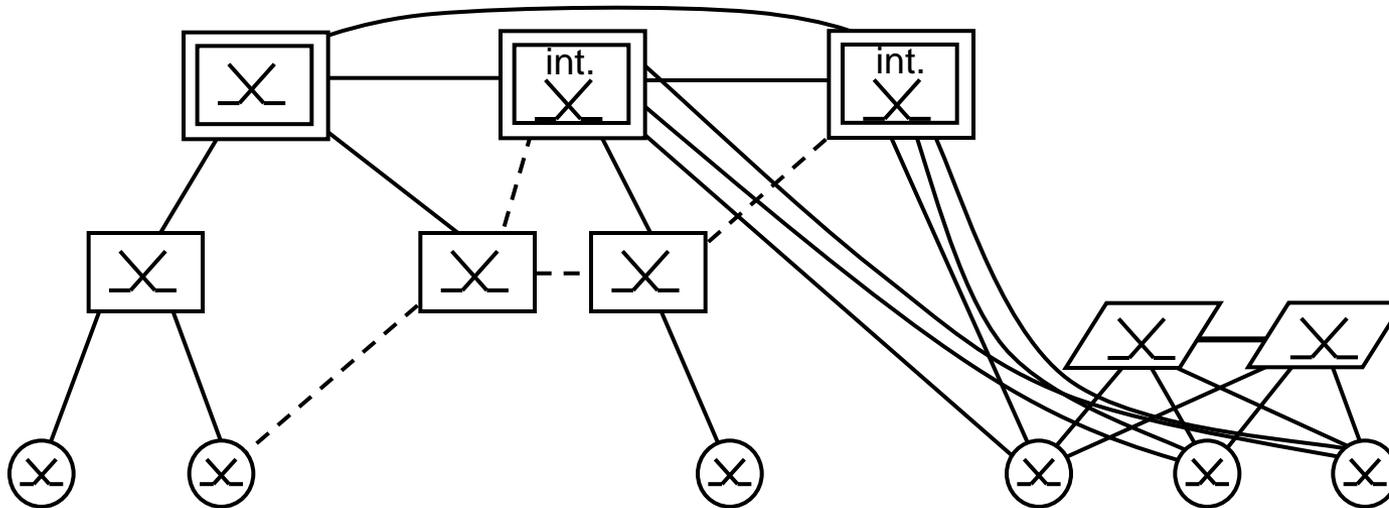


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- E.g.. Topology in Budapest:
  - approx. 30 local switches
  - 2 *tandem switches*
- Tandem switches:
  - at the hierarchical level of the local switches
  - Bp.: Városmajor, Angyalföld (local + tandem switch)
- Special primary area:
  - Metropolitan network (local switches + tandem switches) = primary area, without a primary switch

# Nationwide & metropolitan network (integrated)

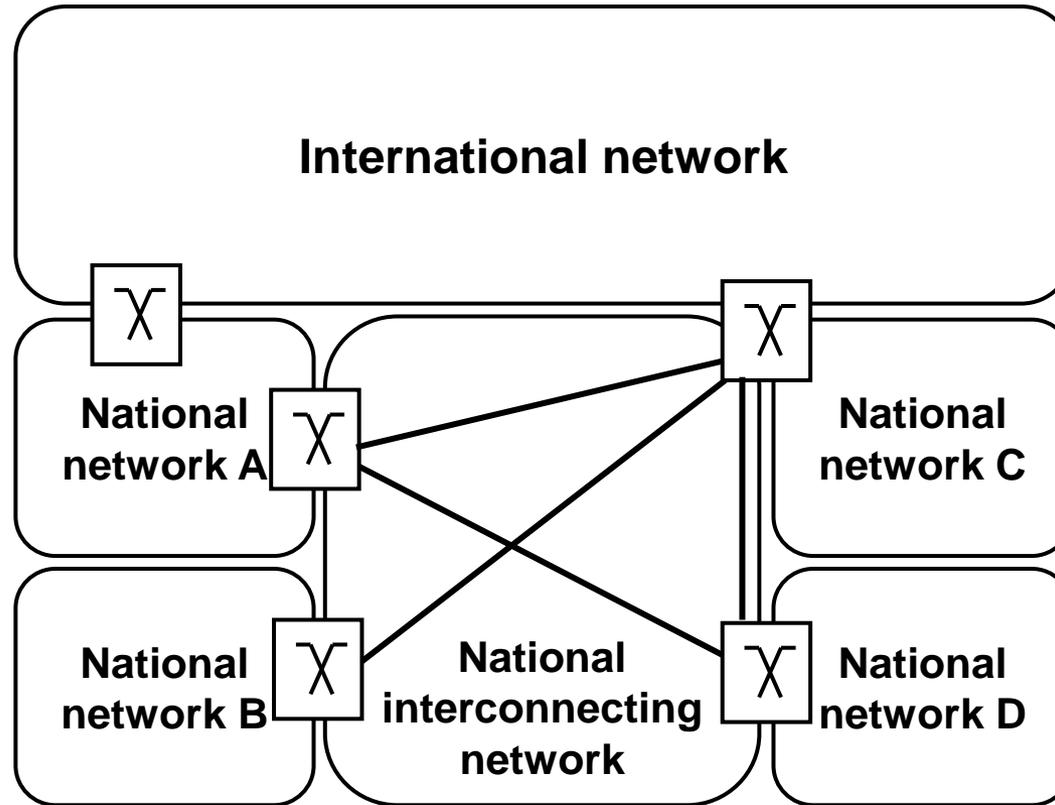
- There are 2 international gateway switches in 2 secondary switches in Budapest
  - Kelenföld, Józsefváros (local, secondary, international switch)
- Integrated topology (simplified):



int. = international

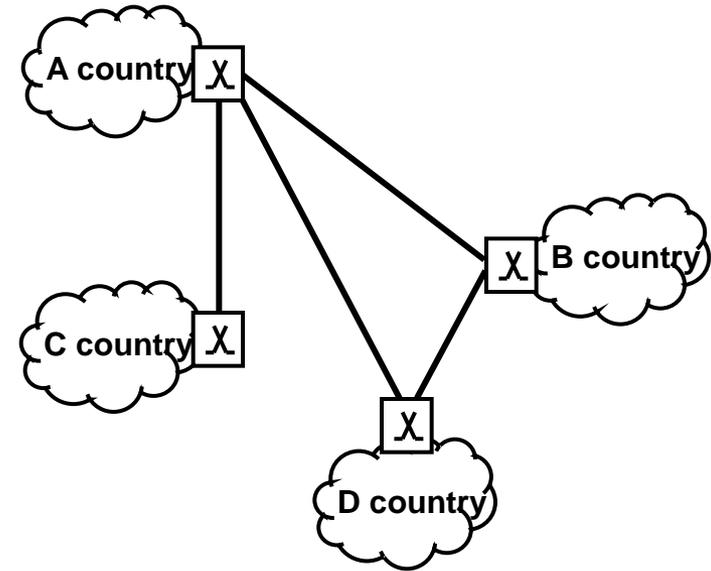
# Structure of the telephony network of a country – competitive service providers

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# International telephony network

- ❑ Larger service providers have international gateways
- ❑ Several competing international service providers
- ❑ No need for direct connections between any two countries
- ❑ ... but 1 international connection may contain maximal 6 trunks (7 switches)
  - (including national parts)



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# Numbering (addressing)

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- Called party's number: identified originally the location (address)
- Now tendency: identifies the subscriber itself (name)
  - mobile networks - obviously
  - examples in fixed networks:
    - number portability
    - premium rate, freephone (green), shared cost (blue) numbers
- E.164 Recommendation (ITU-T, <http://www.itu.int/rec/T-REC-E.164/en>)
- An international number: max. 15 digits
  - country code (1-3 digits) + national destination code (area code, service or network identifier) + subscriber number

1	North America
2	Africa (+Greenland)
3,4	Europe
5	Middle and south America
6	Australia Oceania
7	Russia, Kazakhstan
8	Far East (+Inmarsat, Internat. green number: 800)
9	Middle and Near East

# Numbering (addressing)

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- National Destination Code:
  - Area code, e.g.: 33: Esztergom
  - Network Code, e.g.: 30: t-mobile
  - Service Code, e.g.: 80: green number
- Subscriber Number
- National Destination Number = NDC + SN
- Connection between the network and numbering hierarchies

# Numbering (addressing)

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- Open numbering scheme:
  - Two forms: national/local number
  - Local numbers shorter, but needs a national prefix (06 – in Hungary, 0 – in other European countries)
  
- Closed numbering scheme:
  - Always national destination number
  - Simple, unambiguous
  - One form, independently where to start the call from
  - Tendency in Europe (Norway, France, Italy, UK....)

# National Destination Codes in Hungary

## Area codes



A/B	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	Székesfehérvár	Biatorbágy	Szigetszentmiklós	Dunaújváros	Szentendre	Vác	Gödöllő	.....
3	Salgótarján	Esztergom	Tatabánya	Balassagyarmat	Eger	Gyöngyös	-	-
4	Nyíregyháza	-	Mátészalka	Kisvárd	Miskolc	Szerencs	Ózd	Mezőkövesd
5	Debrecen	Cegléd	Berettyóújfal	<i>for test purposes</i>	Szolnok	Jászberény	-	Karcag
6	Szeged	Szentes	-	-	Békéscsaba	-	Orosháza	Mohács
7	Pécs	Szigetvár	Szekszárd	Paks	Kecskemét	Kiskunhalas	Kiskőrös	.....
8	Kaposvár	Keszthely	Siófok	Marcali	-	Tapolca	Veszprém	Pápa
9	Zalaegerszeg	Nagykanizsa	Szombathely	Sárvár	Győr	.....	.....	.....

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# ISDN

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- ISDN = Integrated Services Digital Network
- Improvement of PSTN
  - Public Switched Telephone Network,
    - or POTS: Post Office Telephone Service -> Plain Old Telephone Service
- Since 1987, more than 20 years old!
- **IS-**: integrated service: more services on one network, e.g.:
  - voice (POTS), videoconference, data transfer
- **-DN**: full digital: voice codec in terminal
- Switches, transmission paths: all are digital
  - (UNI: user-network interface, NNI: network-network interface)

# ISDN – motivation

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- A bit of history: C64 is the computer of the year in 1982!



- In those days the high-tech in telephony was still something like this ☹️



# ISDN – motivation

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- Need for improved services
  - Better voice quality than in PSTN
  - Value added supplementary services, e.g.:
    - number presentation
    - conference call
    - call forwarding
    - call waiting
    - etc.
  - Videotelephony (!)
  - Faster data transmission
  
- Solution: digitalisation



# ISDN – motivation

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- Service provider side: digital trunks (PCM), digital switches
  - easier to sell if there are new services... → ISDN
- Not sure that the new *services* would have been enough:
  - 2 „telephone lines” on one wire pair (2B channels)
  - that is the real benefit!

# ISDN implementation

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- (Re)usage of the existing copper wire pairs in digital subscriber loops
  - Though only several km, but expensive (copper, lay down,...)
  - Half (!! ) of the total cost of a telephony network lays in the copper wires of the subscriber loops!
  
- Digital transmission instead of analogue
- Speed depends on the number of channels
- Two channel types:
  - **B channel**: 64 kb/s, bidirectional (full duplex), voice OR digital data OR video
  - **D channel**: 16 (in subsc. loops) or 64 kb/s (between switches): signalling (e.g. call establishment, release, etc.) 1 D channel is enough for controlling SEVERAL (2 or 30) B channels

# ISDN implementation

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- Allowed combinations:
- **2B+D16**: BRA/BRI: Basic Rate Access/Interface,
  - 144 kb/s useful speed
  - on one wire pair – bandwidth of the copper pair is more than enough
  - typically for individuals / small companies
  - possible combinations:
    - 2 independent voice connections
    - 1 voice + 1 fax
    - 1 voice + 64 kb/s data transfer (e.g. Internet access)
    - 128 kb/s data transfer
    - can be changed dynamically
- **30B+D64** (Eu, 23B+D US): PRA/PRI Primary Rate Access/Interface
  - 1984 kb/s ~2 Mb/s
  - typically on 1, 2 or 3 wire pairs: depending on the quality of wire, length, encoding
  - for large companies, 30 independent channels
  - typically controlled by a P(A)BX (private switch)

# S<sub>0</sub> bus (User side of a DSL)

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- Speed: 2B + D16 + synchronisation (48 kb/s) = 192 kb/s
- 4 wires
- If closed by a proper impedancy
  - Max. 8 TE can be connected to it
- But terminals can also be connected directly to DSL
  - 1 TE: point-point topology

# Telephone numbers

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- ❑ Max. 10 tel. number may be assigned to 1 BRA subscription (in Hungary, but this is typical)
- ❑ Max. 8 terminals can be connected to a DSL
- ❑ We may use max. 2 B channels in parallel
- ❑ ...?!
- ❑ Simple!
  - TEs are programmed which number they recognize („ring”)
  - Any (of max. 10) number is called, the Setup message is transmitted to ALL the TEs
  - That TE will answer the call, which is programmed for that number
  - Without PBX (switch)!
  - (This is the Multiple Subscriber Number (MSN) ISDN service)

