

### **IMS Migrations**

IMS Enabling Common Network Convergence

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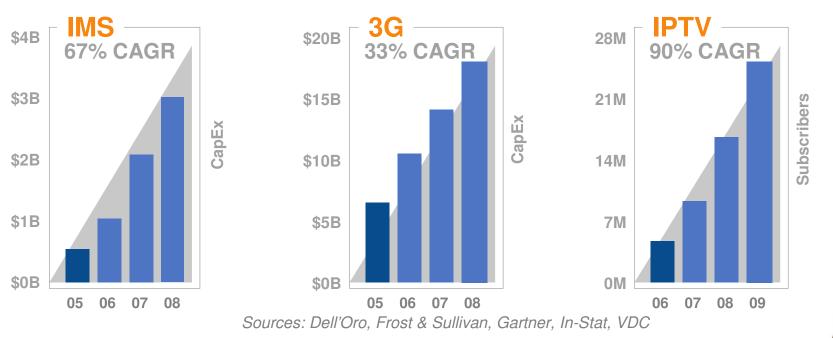


## Introduction

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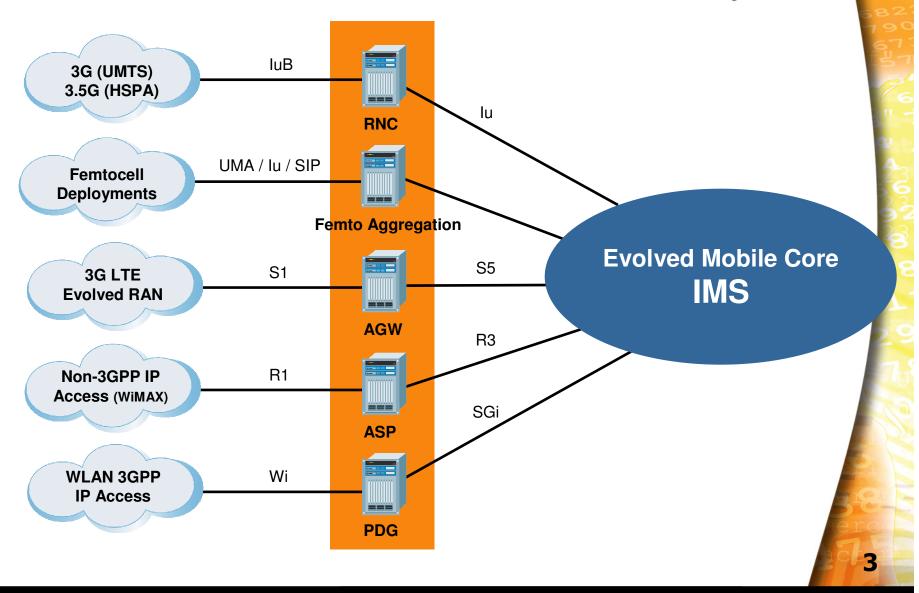
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- New wave of telecom infrastructure
  - IMS New generation of Fixed/Mobile Convergence
  - 3G-LTE Equipment in development
  - WiMax High bandwidth Fixed and Mobile service
  - IPTV Highest bandwidth service ever deployed





#### **Wireless – Common Architecture**

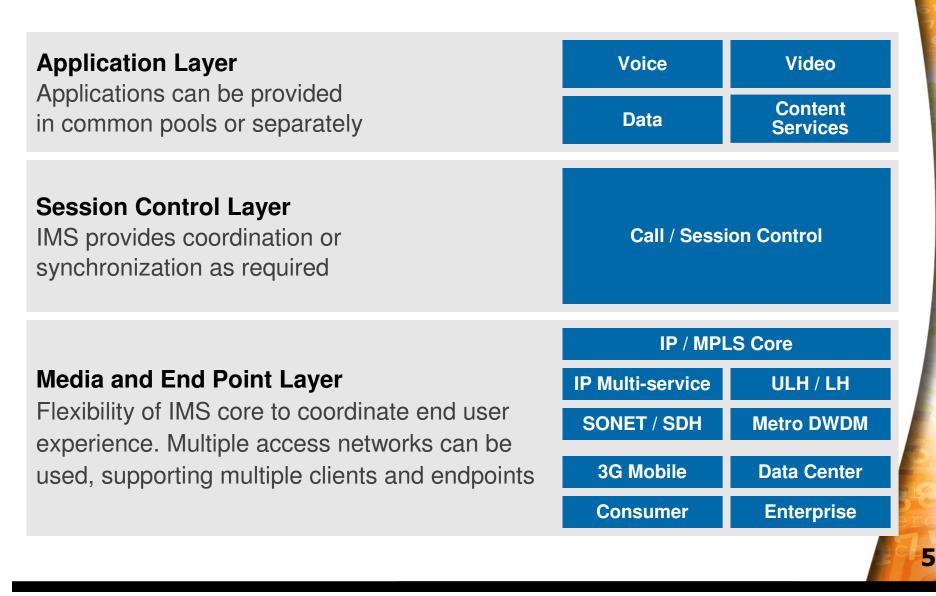




- Quickly deliver new services
  - Common platform framework makes it easy to trial new services
  - Integrate latest multimedia technologies & trends
  - Boost competitiveness and margins
- Scale winners and dump losers
  - Common infrastructure components mean no stranded investment when services ramp down
  - Leverage common equipment to add capacity for new applications instantly
- Choice
  - Standards: 3GPP/3GPP2 based
  - Allows the use of commercial off-the-shelf hardware
  - Enables competition and drives competitive pricing



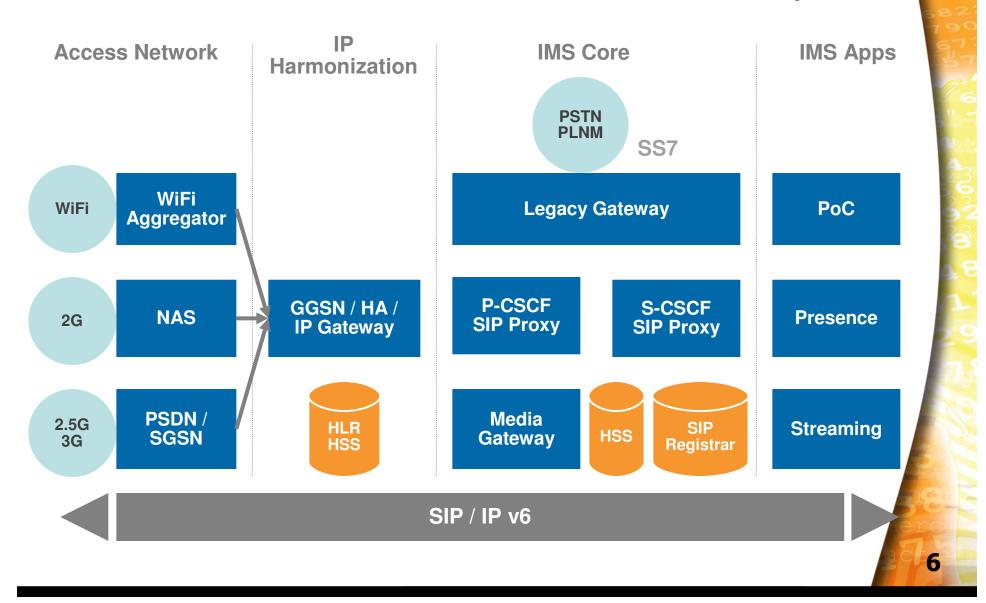
#### **IMS: Layered Architecture**





#### **Features Diagram**

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# **TEM IMS Deployments**

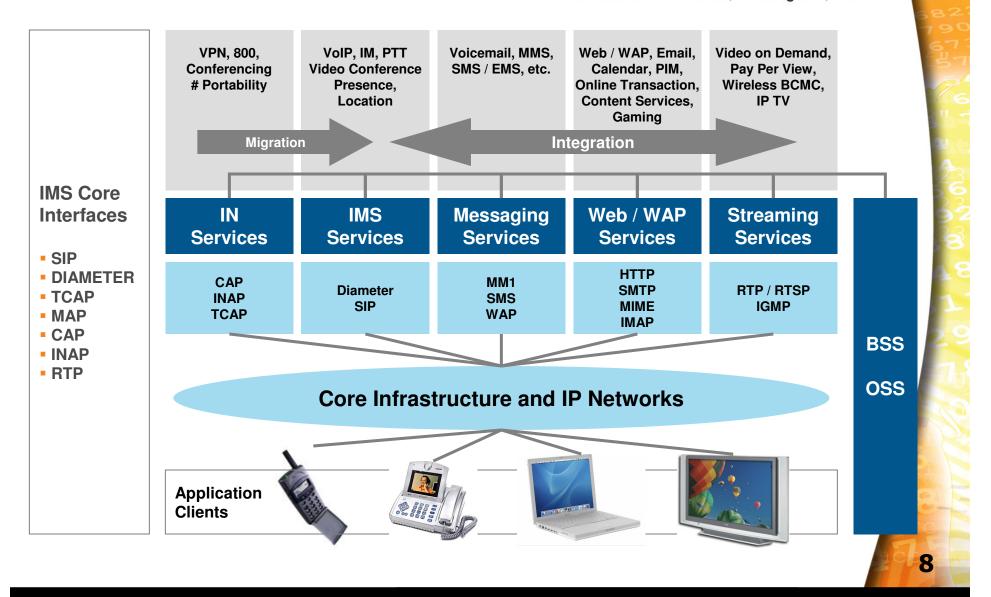
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- Pure IMS architecture
  - Logical network elements
  - Separation of signaling and media
  - This is the architecture everyone is moving towards
- All-in-one IMS box
  - Lot of current IMS announcements are for these "pizza boxes"
  - Meets scalability requirements for trial deployments
  - Extension of current NGN products
    - SBC migrating to a IMS server
- CSCF + HSS + Existing NGN components
  - Add in a SIP Server (CSCF), modify a HLR and reuse existing NGN infrastructure
  - Step1 foray for any TEM into IMS

All enablement leads towards an application server where the "killer app" services reside for service provider revenue \$ generation



#### **Leverage Legacy Services**





## **IMS: Scalability**

- Low entry level: Field trials
  - Many IMS functions per blade
  - Single chassis solution
- High end: Major subscriber base
  - Many blades per IMS function
  - Architecture will scale up to a multi-rack solution (if needed)
- Need scalable Distributed Fault Tolerant (DFT) architecture to enable roll-out from initial field trial to major subscriber uptake
  - Using the same underlying architecture
  - Deployed equipment & application reuse



## **IMS: Security Challenges**

- IMS network security has to be protected across all external boundaries
- Inter-operator boundaries (Session Border Controllers)
  - TLS IPsec
  - Protect privacy of billing records
  - Protect security of IMS signaling SIP spoofing -> fraud, DoSA
  - Back-to-back User Agents
- Subscriber SIP interface (Proxy-CSCF)
  - 100,000's of subscribers each requiring a different AES-128 key
    - Requirement for dedicated Packet Processing blades





## IMS: Looking After the Legacy

- IMS Service Switching Function (IMS-SSF)
  - Provides access to existing roaming services (interface to CAMEL)
  - Makes CAMEL service environment look like SIP
- IMS-SSF can be expanded to support other network needs
  - Bespoke IMS-SSF can be tailored to map a wide range of operator legacy services into the emerging IMS infrastructure
  - Difficult to realize full interoperability with a COTS solution
  - Need a technology partner with a wide ranging & deep understanding of relevant protocols & network element semantics





## **IMS: Operational Benefits**

- Enables scalability & consolidation of network elements
  - No longer a need for strict individualization of network elements
- Copes with real world network demand for:
  - Content-aware traffic management
    - QoS
    - Billing
  - End-to-end security
  - Interoperability challenges
    - Seamless roaming service expectations
    - UE idiosyncratic "features" supported across the network
    - Dialogue translators between operator domains
  - Working with legacy networks





## **IMS: Modular Architecture**

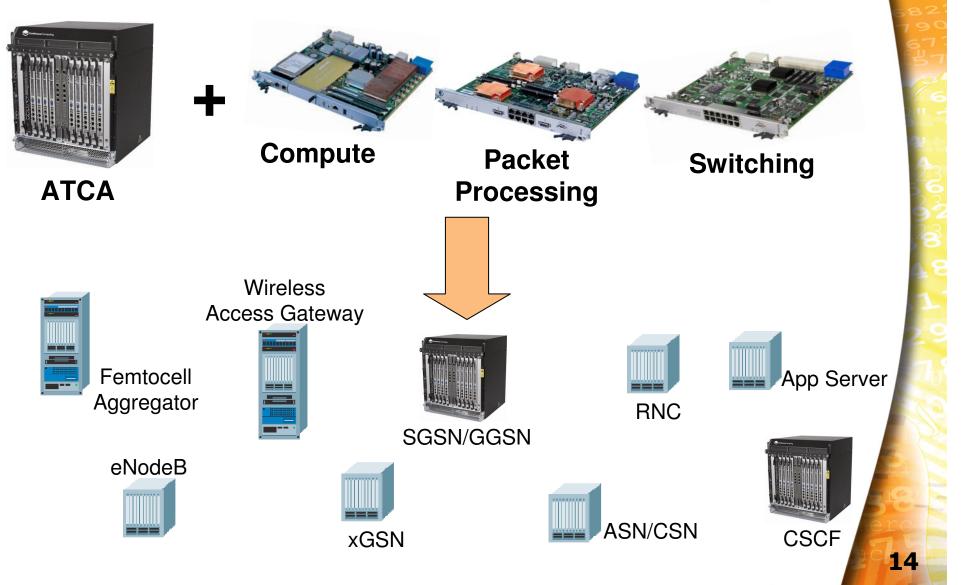
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- Systemic use of common protocols
  - SIP for call control
    - Can be used to handle complex dialogues
  - DIAMETER for handling transactions
    - Primarily to provide Authentication, Authorization, and Accounting (AAA) framework
    - Also proving to be a powerful tool for Billing & WiMAX applications
- Logical partitioning into well-defined functional elements
  - With specified (common) interfaces for a cohesive solution
  - Possible to meld legacy applications into the IMS framework
    - HLR -> HSS



#### **Next Generation IP Systems**





#### Conclusions

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IMS offers solutions for operator requirements:

- Quick new application development
  - Increases ARPU, Decreases Churn
- Service rollouts without stranded investment
  - Decreases CapEx, Increases ROI

IMS is here to stay!



# Thank you

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