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E MARKETING

▶ E-Marketing (Electronic Marketing) are also known as Internet Marketing, Web Marketing, Digital Marketing, or Online Marketing. E-marketing is the process of marketing a product or service using the Internet. E marketing not only includes marketing on the Internet, but also includes marketing done via e-mail and wireless media. It uses a range of technologies to help connect businesses to their customers.

Types of e-marketing

- There are several ways in which companies can use internet for marketing. Some ways of e-marketing are:
- ▶ 1. Article marketing
- 2. Affiliate marketing
- ▶ 3. Video marketing
- ▶ 4. Email marketing
- ▶ 5. Blogging

electronic commerce."

Transacting or facilitating business on the Internet is called ecommerce. Ecommerce is short for "electronic commerce."

Traditional Commerce

In short, having a physical store is traditional commerce.

Traditional commerce is a type of business which focuses on the exchange of products and services, and includes all those activities which encourages exchange, in some way or the other.

E-business

• e-Business derived from such terms as "e-mail" and "e-commerce," is the conduct of business electronically, typically over the Internet, not only buying and selling, but also servicing customers and collaborating with business partners.

types of e-commerce:

- ▶ There are 6 basic types of e-commerce:
- Business-to-Business (B2B)
- Business-to-Consumer (B2C)
- Consumer-to-Consumer (C2C)
- Consumer-to-Business (C2B).
- Business-to-Administration (B2A)
- Consumer-to-Administration (C2A)

Business-to-Business (B2B)

- **Business-to-Business (B2B)**
- ▶ Business-to-Business (B2B) e-commerce encompasses all electronic transactions of goods or services conducted between companies. Producers and traditional commerce wholesalers typically operate with this type of electronic commerce.

2. Business-to-Consumer (B2C)

- The Business-to-Consumer type of e-commerce is distinguished by the establishment of electronic business relationships between businesses and final consumers. It corresponds to the retail section of e-commerce, where traditional retail trade normally operates.
- These types of relationships can be easier and more dynamic, but also more sporadic or discontinued. This type of commerce has developed greatly, due to the advent of the web, and there are already many virtual stores and malls on the Internet, which sell all kinds of consumer goods, such as computers, software, books, shoes, cars, food, financial products, digital publications, etc.
- When compared to buying retail in traditional commerce, the consumer usually has more information available in terms of informative content and there is also a widespread idea that you'll be buying cheaper, without jeopardizing an equally personalized customer service, as well as ensuring quick processing and delivery of your order.

Consumer-to-Consumer (C2C)

- ▶ 3. Consumer-to-Consumer (C2C)
- Consumer-to-Consumer (C2C) type e-commerce encompasses all electronic transactions of goods or services conducted between consumers. Generally, these transactions are conducted through a third party, which provides the online platform where the transactions are actually carried out.

Consumer-to-Business (C2B)

- ▶ 4. Consumer-to-Business (C2B)
- In C2B there is a complete reversal of the traditional sense of exchanging goods. This type of e-commerce is very common in crowd sourcing based projects. A large number of individuals make their services or products available for purchase for companies seeking precisely these types of services or products.

Business-to-Administration (B2A)

- ▶ 5. Business-to-Administration (B2A)
- This part of e-commerce encompasses all transactions conducted online between companies and public administration. This is an area that involves a large amount and a variety of services, particularly in areas such as fiscal, social security, employment, legal documents and registers, etc. These types of services have increased considerably in recent years with investments made in e-government.

Consumer-to-Administration (C2A)

- **▶ 6. Consumer-to-Administration (C2A)**
- The Consumer-to-Administration model encompasses all electronic transactions conducted between individuals and public administration.
- Examples of applications include:
- ▶ Education disseminating information, distance learning, etc.
- Social Security through the distribution of information, making payments, etc.
- ▶ Taxes filing tax returns, payments, etc.
- ▶ Health appointments, information about illnesses, payment of health services, etc.
- Both models involving Public Administration (B2A and C2A) are strongly associated to the idea of efficiency and easy usability of the services provided to citizens by the government, with the support of information and communication technologies.

Advantages of e-commerce

- The main advantage of e-commerce is its ability to reach a global market, without necessarily implying a large financial investment. The limits of this type of commerce are not defined geographically, which allows consumers to make a global choice, obtain the necessary information and compare offers from all potential suppliers, regardless of their locations.
- By allowing direct interaction with the final consumer, ecommerce shortens the product distribution chain, sometimes even eliminating it completely. This way, a direct channel between the producer or service provider and the final user is created, enabling them to offer products and services that suit the individual preferences of the target market.

Disadvantages of e-commerce

- The main disadvantages associated with e-commerce are the following:
- Strong dependence on information and communication technologies (ICT);
- Lack of legislation that adequately regulates the new ecommerce activities, both nationally and internationally;
- Market culture is averse to electronic commerce (customers cannot touch or try the products);
- The users' loss of privacy, the loss of regions' and countries' cultural and economic identity;
- Insecurity in the conduct of online business transactions.

International Nature of Electronic Commerce:

Because the Internet connects computers all over the world, any business that engages in electronic commerce instantly becomes an international business. When companies use the Web to improve a business process, they are automatically operating in a global environment. The key issues that any company faces when it conducts international commerce include trust and culture, language, and infrastructure.

Trust Issues on the Web

It is important for all businesses to establish trusting relationships with their customers. Companies with established reputations in the physical world often create trust by ensuring that customers know who they are. These businesses can rely on their established brand names to create trust on the Web. New companies that want to establish online businesses face a more difficult challenge because a kind of anonymity exists for companies trying to establish a Web presence.

Language Issues:

Most companies realize that the only way to do business effectively in other cultures is to adapt to those cultures. "Think Globally, Act Locally" The first step that a Web business usually takes to reach potential customers in other countries, and thus in other cultures, is to provide local language or regional dialect.

Culture Issues:

An important element of business trust is anticipating how the other party to a transaction will act in specific circumstances. That is one reason why companies with established brands can build online businesses more quickly and easily than a new company without a reputation. The brand conveys some expectations about how the company will behave.

Culture and Government

Some parts of the world have cultural environments that are extremely inhospitable to the type of online discussion that occurs on the internet. The cultural conditions, in some cases, lead to government controls that can limit electronic commerce development. The internet is a very open form of communication. This type of unfettered communication is not desired or considered acceptable in some cultures

Infrastructure Issues

Internet infrastructure includes the computers and software connected to the internet and communications networks over which the massage packets travel. In many countries other than the United States, the telecommunications industry is either government owned or heavily regulated by the government. More that half of all businesses on the Web turn away international orders because they do not have the processes in place to handle the orders.

E Commerce architectural framework

The Internet's potential is imperiled by digital anarchy, closed markets that cannot use each other's services, incompatible applications and frameworks that cannot interoperate or build upon each other and an array of security and payment options that confuse consumers

One solution to these problems is an object-oriented architectural framework for Internet commerce. Several major vendors of E-commerce solutions have announced versions of such a framework. The major platforms are:

- IBM Commerce Point
- Microsoft Internet Commerce Framework
- Netscape ONE (Open Network Environment)
- Oracle NCA (Network Computing Architecture)
- Sun/Javasoft JECF (Java E-commerce Framework).

Common model

Recently, four of these companies have agreed to support a common distributed object model based on CORBA IIOP (Common Object Request Broker Architecture Internet Inter-ORB Protocol). Yet for commerce on the Internet to thrive, such systems must also interoperate at a business application level. A consumer or business using one framework should be able to shop for, purchase and pay for goods and services offered on a different framework. This is currently not possible.

Commerce Net

- In response, Commerce Net, a non-profit organization created to help businesses and consumers use the Internet for buying and selling, is organizing Eco System, a cross-industry effort to build a framework of frameworks, involving both E- commerce vendors and end users.
- The success of this process clearly depends on market leaders in each area participating actively in their respective task forces. Everyone's software has to work together because no single company can control what platform its customers will use.

Internet Protocol

Definition: TCP/IP (Transmission Control Protocol/Internet) Protocol), also referred to as the Internet Protocol Suite, is the World Wide Web's core communication system that enables every Internet-connected device to communicate with every other such device simultaneously. It is, in essence, a computerized syntax (language) that is installed on every computer, both for public (Internet) and private (intranets and extranets) networks. The development of this protocol has enabled the internet — and as a result, online commerce — to grow quickly.

TCP/IP and Higher-Level Applications

- Many higher-level apps that ecommerce businesses need to be familiar with utilize and/or are built on TCP/IP. These apps constitute a higher layer of protocol language and are often packaged along with TCP/IP as a single "suite." Examples include:
- ▶ HTTP (the Internet's Hyper-text Transfer Protocol)
- ▶ FTP (the Internet's File Transfer Protocol)
- Telnet, which enables logging on computers from remote locations
- ▶ SMTP (Simple Mail Transfer Protocol)

TCP/IP-related protocols used in the exchange of router data include:

- ▶ ICMP (Internet Control Message Protocol)
- ▶ IGP (Interior Gateway Protocol)
- ▶ EGP (Exterior Gateway Protocol)
- ▶ BGP (Border Gateway Protocol)

Internet

This is the world-wide network of computers accessible to anyone who knows their Internet Protocol (IP) address - the IP address is a unique set of numbers (such as 209.33.27.100) that defines the computer's location. Most will have accessed a computer using a name such as Before this named computer can be accessed, the name needs to be resolved (translated) into an IP address.

Intranet

This is a network that is not available to the world outside of the Intranet. If the Intranet network is connected to the Internet, the Intranet will reside behind a firewall and, if it allows access from the Internet, will be an Extranet. The firewall helps to control access between the Intranet and Internet to permit access to the Intranet only to people who are members of the same company or organisation.

In its simplest form, an Intranet can be set up on a networked PC without any PC on the network having access via the Intranet network to the Internet.

Extranet

- An Extranet is actually an Intranet that is partially accessible to authorised outsiders. The actual server (the computer that serves up the web pages) will reside behind a firewall.
- The firewall helps to control access between the Intranet and Internet permitting access to the Intranet only to people who are suitably authorised.
- The level of access can be set to different levels for individuals or groups of outside users. The access can be based on a username and password or an IP address (a unique set of numbers such as 209.33.27.100 that defines the computer that the user is on).

Internet connection

Internet connection options vary by Internet Service
Provider and by region. Customers should consider
some of the following factors before selecting an
Internet package: speed or bandwidth, cost, availability,
reliability and convenience. In order to determine what
Internet plan is right for you, we recommend you
review the different types of Internet connections
available on the market today.

Some of the most widely used Internet connections are described below-co

- WIRELESS
- Radio frequency bands are used in place of telephone or cable networks. One of the greatest advantages of wireless Internet connections is the "always-on" connection that can be accessed from any location that falls within network coverage. Wireless connections are made possible through the use of a modem, which picks up Internet signals and sends them to other devices mobile.
- Many cell phone and smart phone providers offer voice plans with Internet access. Mobile Internet connections provide good speeds and allow you to access the Internet on the go.

HOTSPOTS

Hotspots are sites that offer Internet access over a wireless local area network (WLAN) by way of a router that then connects to an Internet service provider. Hotspots utilize Wi-Fi technology, which allows electronic devices to connect to the Internet or exchange data wirelessly through radio waves. Hotspots can be phone-based or free-standing, commercial or free to the public.

DIAL-UP

BROADBAND

This high-speed Internet connection is provided through either cable or telephone companies. One of the fastest options available, broadband Internet uses multiple data channels to send large quantities of information. The term broadband is shorthand for broad bandwidth. Broadband Internet connections such as DSL and cable are considered high-bandwidth connections. Although many DSL connections can be considered broadband, not all broadband connections are DSL.

DSL

DSL, which stands for Digital Subscriber Line, uses existing 2-wire copper telephone line connected to one's home so service is delivered at the same time as landline telephone service. Customers can still place calls while surfing the Internet.

CABLE

Cable Internet connection is a form of broadband access. Through use of a cable modem, users can access the Internet over cable TV lines. Cable modems can provide extremely fast access to the Internet.

SATELLITE

In certain areas where broadband connection is not yet offered, a satellite Internet option may be available. Similar to wireless access, satellite connection utilizes a modem.

ISDN

ISDN (Integrated Services Digital Network) allows users to send data, voice and video content over digital telephone lines or standard telephone wires. The installation of an ISDN adapter is required at both ends of the transmission—on the part of the user as well as the Internet access provider

Security Issues in Ecommerce

Why Do I Fear Financial Fraud Online?

One of my primary sources of fear is that fraud seems to be all around us. When we hear of the websites of the best of companies getting hacked all the time, I know that I am small fry. Be it Sony or Google, just to name two tech giants, both have been the targets of hacking. If they could not protect themselves, how will I? I think that I am not alone in my fear. The fact that I am an e-commerce professional not withstanding, I fear that someone somewhere wants to defraud me.

- Fraud Is All Around Us
- Be it the constant flow of emails from a Nigerian general who would like me to help him get to a large fortune, to phishing emails that try to get me to part with my bank account details or email passwords. Though one does develop a thick skin to these blatant criminal attempts, there has to always be an underlying worry that someday one would get taken for a ride.
 - The Global-Village Nature of the Internet Adds to the Worry
- In some countries the laws regarding <u>intellectual property</u> as well as online fraud might be quite stringent and well established. But what if the fraud originates from a territory that is well known for just the opposite. What courts would approach?

Everything May Be Fine and Dandy, But Security Could Derail Ecommerce

Whenever I am conducting a workshop and I am asked about my major area of concern regarding e-commerce, my first response is always the same: security. Since financial transactions are the backbone of e-commerce, if not the entire purpose of it, any hesitation on the part of the customer when it comes to making online payments could spoil the e-commerce party. Surely we do not want to go to the point where the only acceptable mode of payment in B2C sales becomes cash on delivery.

- There Are Too Many Players in the E-commerce Environment, and Anyone Could Spring a Security Leak
- hacked. The fire could start in any corner of your e-commerce edifice. It could be the payment gateway that gets hacked. Or it could be an infected user-computer that could bring in malware. Come to think of it, even your shopping cart software provider might be exporting vulnerability into your environment. And when these participants do not know each other, or are not even located on the same continent, then how would you expect them to be able to rely on each other.

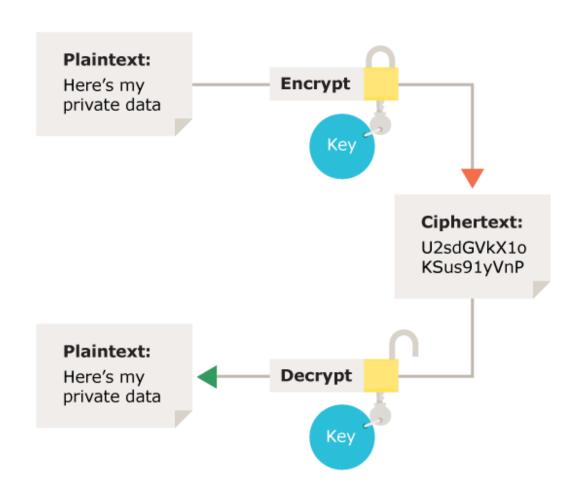
- What Is the Solution to the E-commerce Security Tangle?
- I would like to scream "constant vigilance" like Alastor Moody from the Harry Potter books.
- It is not every day that one comes across a security threat. But that should not allow you to get callous about security related matters. Of course, technology provides a solution too. Be it the use of SSL (Secure Sockets Layer) or two-factor authentication, every little bit helps in making the web a more secure place to create transactions. But technology is not the final solution.

ENCRYPTION

encryption is the process of hiding information that is readable into a format that can't be read. Encryption can be used for many different things, but you're probably most familiar with its function of transferring information securely. There are two types of encryption in widespread use today: symmetric and asymmetric encryption. The name derives from whether or not the same key is used for encryption and decryption.

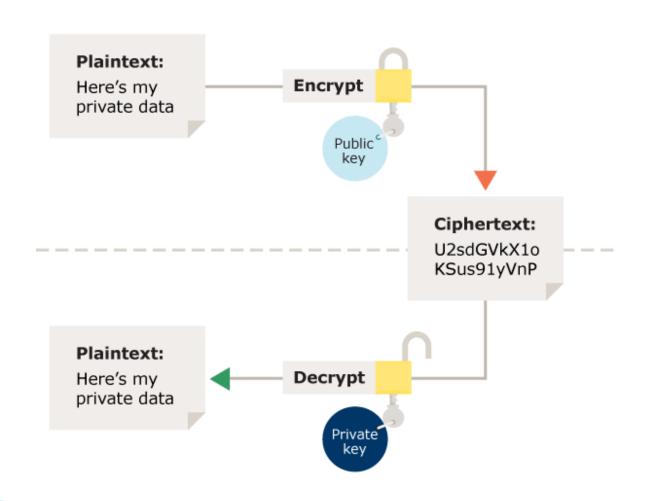
Symmetric encryption

In symmetric encryption the same key is used for encryption and decryption. It is therefore critical that a secure method is considered to transfer the key between sender and recipient.



ASYMMETRIC ENCRYPTION

- Asymmetric encryption uses the notion of a key pair: a different key is used for the encryption and decryption process. One of the keys is typically known as the private key and the other is known as the public key.
- The private key is kept secret by the owner and the public key is either shared amongst authorised recipients or made available to the public at large.
- Data encrypted with the recipient's public key can only be decrypted with the corresponding private key. Data can therefore be transferred without the risk of unauthorised or unlawful access to the data.



Hashing

Hashing is a technique that generates a fixed length value summarising a file or message contents. It is often incorrectly referred to as an encryption method. Hash functions are used with cryptography to provide digital signatures and integrity controls but as no secret key is used it does not make the message private as the hash can be recreated.

Online Marketing

- Online Marketing is the art and science of selling products and/or services over digital networks, such as the internet and cellular phone networks.
- The art of online marketing involves finding the right online marketing mix of strategies that appeals to your <u>target market</u> and will actually translate into sales.
- The science of online marketing is the research and analysis that goes into both choosing the online marketing strategies to use and measuring the success of those strategies.

Types of online marketing include:

- Search Engine Marketing
- Online Advertising
- Blogging
- Social media marketing.
- Email marketing
- Mobile marketing

Online advertising

Online advertising, also called online marketing or Internet advertising or web advertising, is a form of marketing and advertising which uses the Internet to deliver promotional marketing messages to consumers. Consumers view online advertising as an unwanted distraction with few benefits and have increasingly turned to ad blocking for a variety of reasons.

Types of Advertising Methods

- Purchased Online Ads
- Social Media Marketing
- Newspaper Ads
- Television Advertising
- Public Speaking
- Door Hangers and Flyers
- Event Sponsorship

Advertising Techniques

Repetition

Repetition is a simple yet effective technique used to build identity awareness and customer memory. Even advertisements using other successful approaches mention the product or company name more than once, particularly in television because its combination of sight and sound, allows the advertiser to disguise the repetition by changing its delivery (from visual to audio).

Claims

Advertising that promotes specific features or makes claims about what a product or service can do for the potential customers provides successful results by informing, educating and developing expectations in the buyer

Association

Associating a product or company with a famous person, catchy jingle, desirable state of being or powerful emotion creates a strong psychological connection in the customer.

Bandwagon

The bandwagon technique sells a product or service by convincing the customer that others are using it and they should join the crowd.

Promotions

Coupons, sweepstakes, games with prizes and gifts with purchases create excitement, and participation encourages customers to build a relationship with the sponsoring product or service.

ONLINE AUCTIONS

Online auctions are sales transactions involving competitive bidding that are conducted over the Internet. Whether the sales take place between individuals, between consumers and merchants, or between businesses, online auctions have enjoyed a rapid increase in popularity.

BENEFITS OF ONLINE AUCTIONS

Online auctions offer small businesses a number of potential benefits with very few risks. After all, participating in online auctions does not prevent businesses from continuing to use traditional sales methods. In addition, companies can avoid financial losses on sale items by setting the minimum bid price high enough to cover costs. Among the few potential drawbacks are that buyers are not able to personally view and evaluate items before making a purchase, which raises the possibility of fraud.

Supply Chain Management (SCM)

Supply chain management (SCM) is the active management of supply chain activities to maximize customer value and achieve a sustainable competitive advantage. It represents a conscious effort by the supply chain firms to develop and run supply chains in the most effective & efficient ways possible. Supply chain activities cover everything from product development, sourcing, production, and logistics, as well as the information systems needed to coordinate these activities.

- The concept of Supply Chain Management (SCM) is based on two core ideas:
- The first is that practically every product that reaches an end user represents the cumulative effort of multiple organizations. These organizations are referred to collectively as the supply chain.
- The second idea is that while supply chains have existed for a long time, most organizations have only paid attention to what was happening within their "four walls." Few businesses understood, much less managed, the entire chain of activities that ultimately delivered products to the final customer. The result was disjointed and often ineffective supply chains.

Stages in the Procurement Process

- Step 1: Need Recognition.
- Step 2: Specific Need
- Step 3: Source/Examine Supplier Options
- Step 4: Price and Terms
- Step 5: Purchase Order
- Step 6: Delivery
- Step 7: Expediting
- Step 8: Receipt and inspection
- Step 9: Invoice Approval and Payment
- Step 10: Record Keeping

Multi-tier Supply Chains

In order to deal with the challenges of time for synchronization and complexity in information distribution a multi-tier supply chain management system can be established. It helps to steer the collaboration between all involved parties by establishing a central collaboration platform. Mostly this platform is initiated by the Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) and covers several suppliers in a partnership. One distinguished chain member has to drive the collaboration process and platform by defining processes, rules and standards (Stadler, Kilger, p.270)⁴. It helps to get transparency for all partners in the value chain about demands, capacities and stock data.

Trends in supply chain management

- Consumer expectations are becoming increasingly higher. When once consumers were happy with waiting a week to receive a package in the mail, today anything longer than two day delivery means that many consumers will forget their order by the time it arrives, and maybe decide they would rather not receive any item at all than wait.
- Companies, retailers, and suppliers are now expected to comply and come up with creative ways to meet consumer demands. For example, Amazon recently announced that it was expanding its same day delivery service on its Prime Now app and EBay also tried a pilot in the US for same day delivery (EBay however canceled the pilot in 2015, because it wasn't performing as well as expected).

- Some of the biggest global trends affecting consumer activities are:
- Changing consumer experience
- Growing ecommerce
- Crowding in urban centers

ONLINE SERVICES

- Insurance is a means of protection from financial loss. It is a form of <u>risk management</u> primarily used to <u>hedge</u> against the risk of a contingent, uncertain loss.
- An entity which provides insurance is known as an insurer, insurance company, or insurance carrier. A person or entity who buys insurance is known as an insured or policyholder. The insurance transaction involves the insured assuming a guaranteed and known relatively small loss in the form of payment to the insurer in exchange for the insurer's promise to compensate the insured in the event of a covered loss. The loss may or may not be financial, but it must be reducible to financial terms, and must involve something in which the insured has an insurable interest established by ownership, possession, or preexisting relationship.

Methods of insurance

- In accordance with study books of The Chartered Insurance Institute, there are the following types of insurance:
- Co-insurance risks shared between insurers
- Dual insurance risks having two or more policies with same coverage (Both the individual policies would not pay separately—a concept named contribution, and would contribute together to make up the policyholder's losses. However, in case of contingency insurances like Life insurance, dual payment is allowed)
- Self-insurance situations where risk is not transferred to insurance companies and solely retained by the entities or individuals themselves
- Reinsurance situations when Insurer passes some part of or all risks to another Insurer called Reinsurer

Best Online Stock Trading Brokers for 2017

- Top Qualities of Standout Online Trading Platforms
- Quality trading tools and technology
- Multiple trading platforms for all levels of traders
- Excellent mobile trading features
- Solid navigation that displays the relevant information where you want it
- Quality educational resources and research for trader development

Choosing the Best Online Brokerage Accounts

- Choosing the best online brokers is no easy task. There's so much variation in this industry from company to company, and then you have to factor in the type of trader or investor who's opening the brokerage account.
- Here's how I got started:
- I conducted research to compile a list of every online broker.
- I narrowed the list down to just under 50 brokers by eliminating those that did not allow U.S. stock trading.
- I individually researched each broker, visited their websites, and analyzed rankings and reviews across the web.
- I concluded that there were 15 online stock brokers worth digging into.

online real estate services

As the leading global real estate services company, we firmly believe and ensure that our clients come first. In India, we are the most trusted partner when it comes to providing the right expertise in real estate. Our goal is to achieve customer delight with several years of experience in the local market. From property search and selection, to project management and valuation and appraisal, we provide comprehensive solutions to your most complex requirements.

Online travel agencies

- An <u>online travel agency</u> (OTA) specializes in offering planning sources and booking capabilities. Major OTAs include:
- Voyages-sncf.com revenue €2.23 billion (2008)
- Expedia, Inc., including Expedia.com, Hotels.com, Hotwire.com, Travelocity and others revenue US\$2.937 billion (2008), later expanded to include Orbitz Worldwide, Inc., including Orbitz, CheapTickets, ebookers, and others revenue US\$870 million (2008)
- Sabre Holdings, including <u>lastminute.com</u> and others revenue US\$2.9 billion (2008)
- Opodo revenue €1.3 billion (2008)
- The Priceline Group, including Priceline.com, Booking.com, Agoda.com, Kayak.com, OpenTable and others revenue US\$1.9 billion (2008)¹
- Travelgenio revenue €344 million (2014)
- Wotif.com revenue A\$145 million (2012)
- Webjet revenue A\$59.3 million (2012)

Online Recruitment

Online recruitment uses the power of the internet to match people to jobs. Fundamentally, it is about advertising vacancies on either job sites or corporate websites. At this very basic level it is particularly effective at getting a high level of response. While it may generate hundreds more applications than traditional print advertising, simply attracting more candidates is only part of the job. The current view is that truly effective online recruitment could be as low as 10% of the top blue-chip corporate companies.

benefits of online recruitment over traditional recruitment

- ▶ 1) Wide geographical reach
- 2) Speed
- 3) Lower Cost
- 4) Automating the Process
- 5) Interaction with candidates

Online social entertainment

Online social entertainment blends entertaining interactive functionality and content including live video streaming, video chat communications, multi-player gaming, music and videos streaming, with social networking service such as social graph management, forums, reviews, ratings, and geo-location options. It is the foundation for a more immersive, interactive, enriching and engaging content consumption experience through social channels. Social entertainment is distinct from social networking websites in that the former is based fundamentally on immersive engaging experiences with functionality, content and people, while the latter is based primarily on building and maintaining relationships with other users. Typically, social entertainment is defined by the individual sites dedicated to a particular type of entertainment experience incorporating basic social networking services.

VTU e-Learning Centre

The e-Learning Centre was set up in August 2003 at Mysore keeping with the demands of a fast-changing scene, the e-Learning Centre has accorded due role to industry in developing e-Learning content and research activity. VTU E-Learning Centre has diversified with its full fledged activities like EDUSAT based live transmission, Web based e-learning, E-Vidya Meadia Streaming Solutions, Courses with 3D Animations, SCORM Content, Innovative Workshops for VTU Research Scholars, Faculty Development Programmes, NMEICT NPTEL Project and other technology enhanced learning initiatives for the benefit of VTU Students Community and Facult Members, etc,.

The main objectives of the Centre are

- Create EDUSAT satellite-based distance education facility using Ku-band Multimedia Based Data Dissemination System (MBDDS)
- Create web-based e-learning facility
- Collect, process and disseminate content developed by the faculty drawn from both academia and industry
- Provide interaction/guidance/feedback tools to learners and act as a facilitator between the experts and the students
- Supplement the conventional system of training and education and bring uniformity in technical education
- Explore the possibility of using the EDUSAT network for administrative purposes and other activities of the VTU

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E-Learning

- E-Learning is the use of technology to enable people to learn anytime and anywhere. E-Learning can include training, the delivery of just-in-time information and guidance from experts.
- This online programme is complementary to the ongoing GFATM training programme conducted by the 55 nursing institution all over India.
- The E-Learning course is a flexible, web-based learn-on-demand system that allows nurses and others to complete the course in a way that suits their individual schedules.

Steps for e-learning Process

- 1.Registration
- 2.Login
- 3.Fill up the pretest form
- 4.Proceed to elearning
- 5.Check your score (Score Board)

M-COMMERCE (MOBILE COMMERCE)

M-commerce (mobile commerce) is the buying and selling of goods and services through wireless handheld devices such as cellular telephone and personal digital assistants (PDAs). Known as next-generation e-commerce, mcommerce enables users to access the Internet without needing to find a place to plug in. The emerging technology behind m-commerce, which is based on the Wireless Application Protocol (WAP), has made far greater strides in Europe, where mobile devices equipped with Web-ready micro-browsers are much more common than in the United States.

Advantages of Mobile Commerce

- 1. Cover wild distance: Mobile is the only technology which is now become necessary for any person in social and business life than computers. So, it is easy to reach users through mCommerce.
- 2. Consumer deals: As more users use mCommerce, there are lots of companies use the mCommerce site to reach them by giving different and better deals in comparison to their competitor.
- 3. Savings: Companies try to reach to the consumer directly through mCommerce, so users have no need to go far to the store physically and at the end it saves user's time and money.
- 4. Easy to use: There is no need of the skilled consumer. Buyers can have look thousands of items on their cell phones and there is no need of online checkout process.

Disadvantages of Mobile Commerce :

- Every invention has its own merits and demerits. It is applicable in this mCommerce business also.
- 1. Smartphone limitation: Mobile has no big screen like desktop or laptops, so sometimes users tired to navigate more and more to choose just one item from thousands. It affects shopping rates.
- 2. Habituate: Every new technology has some problem at the starting phase. Here mCommerce is a new application, so sometimes people avoid to change which are rapidly change. As they are habituated to buy products from eCommerce.
- > 3. Risk factor: Each business has its own risk. Same Moblie commerce is the growing field and a lot of investment in this field becomes risky. Because technology changes day by day. Moreover, there less security in the wireless network, so in data transfer hacking chances are more.
- 4. Connectivity: Moblie commerce needs high-speed connectivity of 3G. Otherwise, it is become hectic for the user to go through entire product purchase process.

multimedia content

- If you go deep into the Internet archives and check out the first pages there, you will see that the sites back then looked very simple, with a plain design, relying solely on text and text formatting. However, the World Wide Web is famous for its extremely rapid evolution and very soon, different websites started including pictures, audio, video files, making the web more multimedia rich
- Multimedia
- Video clips
- Audio
- Images

Multimedia

 Multimedia represents various types of media content, used together. If we have a text with pictures, we have multimedia. If we add a video, we have multimedia too. The use of multimedia in websites has helped the Internet evolution a lot, since it gave web designers a job and made the web pages much more interesting for everyone. And with today's connection speeds, we can all enjoy much bétter looking websites, which are also rich in media content - you can watch a video directly from the site without the need to download it, listen to a song or browse a high quality image gallery. Multimedia content is what shapes the Internet as we know it.

Video clips

Video clips incorporated in a website are all the rage now. Before the YouTube revolution, video clips had to be downloaded before anyone could see them. With the advances in technology, Internet speeds got a lot faster, which allowed for live video streaming over the net, and YouTubelike sites were born. Today, embedding a video clip in a web page is more than easy, and video clips can be easily shared via your blog, forum or even a small video commercial which you can put on your online store - something, which would cost you a fortune if you had to air it on the television.

Audio

Audio is another thing, which was affected by the technology advances. And while a video clip will require much more bandwidth and server resources, audio files are much faster to process from a server's point of view. This helped for their distribution among website creators much faster. Today, a website with a musical background is something more than normal, and on a lot of websites you can easily listen to an audio track, which is uploaded on the web server with the help of a simple player. This has also assisted many independent musicians in promoting their music and has allowed even for the creation of Internet music labels.

IMAGES

- Images were the first type of multimedia to be ever used in a web page. They quickly became an indispensable part of the website design process. Due to the fact that images were pretty small back then, and mostly in the GIF file format, they used very little disk space and bandwidth and were ideal to illustrate every article. This gave birth to the first online news portals, which intended to replace the regular newspapers, offering last minute news without the need to purchase a separate newspaper.
- Images in the websites also inspired the creation of image galleries – websites, dedicated specifically to the display of various pictures, painting or photographs. With the introduction of the thumbnails, galleries and website perfected themselves with the ability to offer a small version of the image as a thumbnail, instead of the full picture.

MOBILE PAYMENTS BUSINESS MODELS

Mobile payment is a part of the mobile transactions and is catching the imagination of a lot of people. This is clear evident from the number of comments I got on my last post "Mobile Payments - Will the Consumers Adopt it". In the last post, I had discussed the consumer issues. Now I am going to talk about the emerging business models in the mobile payment space and the pros and cons of each of the model.

- any payment mechanism, the key entities of the value chain are
- Merchants accept payments from the consumers by reading the card at the Point of Sale (PoS) machine
- Acquirers hold merchant accounts and manage merchant payments
- Payment networks Connect and switch transactions between merchants & issuing banks
- Issuers manage consumer accounts and also take the associated risk
- M-Wallet/Stored Value Account (SVA) Issue and provisioning of the mobile wallet/SVA (only if case mobile payments)

four models in mobile payments

There are essentially four models in mobile payments:

Carrier Dominance Model – In this model, the carrier is responsible for all the roles across the value chain, i.e. carrier is the acquirer, payment network as well as the issuer. The carrier provides the mobile payment application to the customer. The customer holds a prepaid or a postpaid account with the carrier. When the customer pays through his mobile, the bill is charged to his prepaid or postpaid account. The entire network and interchange is managed by the carriers themselves. The PoS is also provided to the merchants by the carrier. The payment to the merchant can be made using NFC or Peer-to-Peer SMS.

Bank Dominance Model

In this model, the financial institutions takes the center stage and is similar to current credit card system. The merchant acquiring banks and issuer banks could be different and the payment network could be managed by yet another financial institution like Visa or MasterCard. The only difference here is that instead of the credit card, the phone is waved in front of the PoS

Collaboration Model

This model is about collaboration between the carriers and the banks who can distribute the roles of the value chain amongst themselves. The carriers typically are responsible for providing and provisioning m-wallet on the consumer's hand phone apart from the providing the POS equipment to the merchants. The roles of acquirer, payment network and issuer remain with the financial institutions; one or more financial institutions may collaborate together in assuming the roles of acquirer, payment network and issuer.

Peer-to-Peer Model

This model is has been made popular by new entrants in the payment industry like Paypal, Obopay, mChek, etc. The 3rd party company acts as a conduit between the customers, merchants and the bankers. The 3rd party service provider takes the payment from the customer, deducts its commission and passed on the payment to the merchant. It also pays the payment processing fee to the bank or the payment gateways like Visa/Master.

Applications of Mobile Commerce

M-Commerce for finance

The customer (using the mobile) can pay from their bank account using mobile commerce facilities. Mobile users can transfer funds between account or receive any information related to finance from financial institutions or banks. WAP based mobile devices allow the user to access the internet or the website of the financial institutions.

M-Commerce for Retail and After sale Services

Companies can also make online catalog of products so that the mobile users can access the catalog from their mobile devices. Customers are able to shop, place orders or hire services and pay for dues through mobile phones.

M-Commerce and Mobile Marketing

It is easy for business organizations to send text messages to promote a new product or carryout any form of promotional campaign.

M-Commerce and Mobile Ticketing

Airline tickets can be purchased through mobile phone. It also enables users of mobile phone to make changes in their tickets. For example, With "flybuy SMS" launched by Kingfisher Airlines and paymate, customers can get the details of Kingfisher airlines flights by sending SMS. The customer can book the ticket after receiving a reply. Besides the above, movie tickets can also be booked through mobile phones.

M-Commerce and Mobile Entertainment

Mobile terminal acts as a portable music player. Downloading ringtones has become successful m-commerce application. Mobile phone manufacturers and wireless providers are making good money by selling different kinds of customized ringtones.

M-Commerce for Hotel Reservations

 Using mobile devices, customer can reserve for restaurants and hotels according to their needs.

M-Commerce in Healthcare and Medicine

Wireless services are used in healthcare and medicine for billing, lab ordering, referrals, prescriptions and clinical decisions. For example, in United States, healthcare professionals are able to obtain patient information from any location by getting connected wirelessly to the hospital's information system. They are able to access the pharmaceutical information of patients and provide better patient care.

M-commerce for Intra-Office Communication

Sales personnel, who are always on the move, may need to access to the company information system to check price of products. But mobile allows the traveling sales personnel to track inventory and maintain communication with seniors at ease. Traveling salesmen do not have to wait for long to get approval from the seniors. Any information could be transferred easily and quickly with the help of mobile devices. It removes barriers in intra-office communication.

M-Commerce for Information

Mobiles enable customers to get information like sport news or political news of their choice. For example, today through SMS, students are able to check their university results or public examination results.

M-Commerce for Gaming

 Customers can play multi player games through mobiles. Mobile games are very popular with colourful displays and it generates good revenue