

Usage of satellite communication technology

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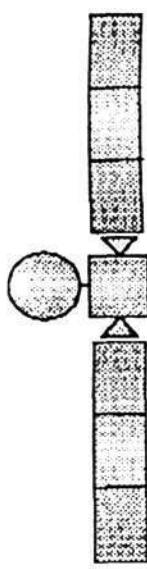
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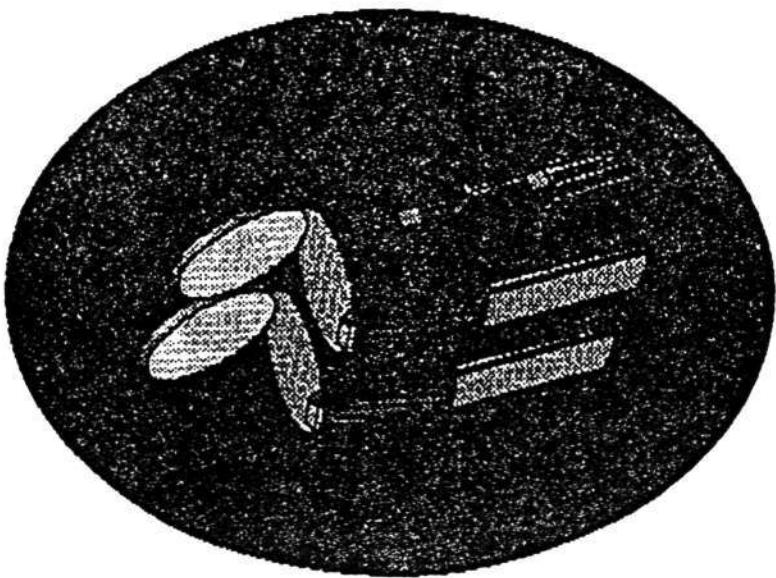


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SHINAWATRA SATELLITE PROPRIETARY..

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Thaicom 1&2 Satellite System



DESIGN:

2 identical Hughes' HS-376
dual spin stabilized spacecraft
2.16m dia., 6.76m high - in orbit

POWER:

MASS :

LIFE:

BOL 801W

1080 Kg at launch

15 Years

TRANSPONDER CAPACITY:

10 C-Band each: total 20
2 Ku-Band each: total 4

LAUNCHER:

Arianespace of France

THAICOM-1

THAICOM-2

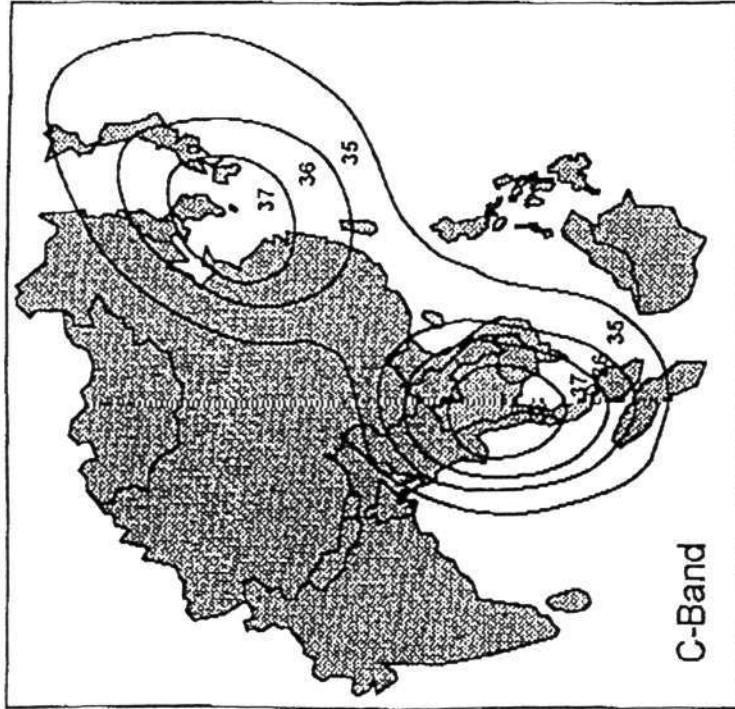
SATELLITE LOCATION :
LAUNCH DATE :
SERVICE DATE :

78.5°E
December 1993
February 1994

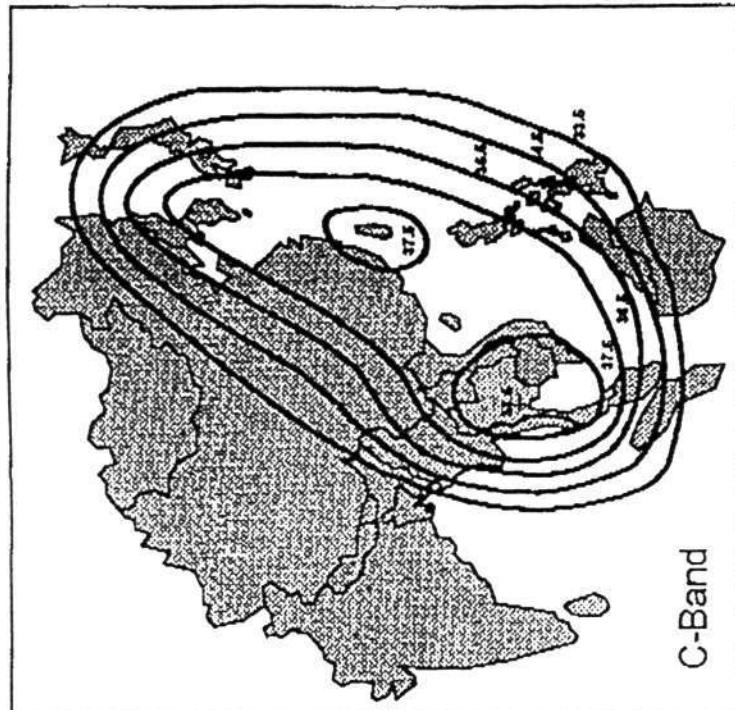
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October 1994
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THAICOM 1 & 2 FOOTPRINTS

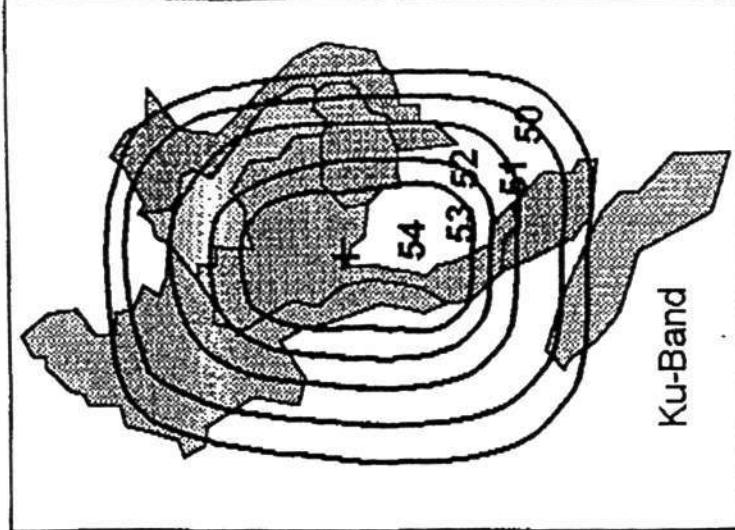
THAICOM 1



THAICOM 2



THAICOM-1 & 2



C-Band

C-Band

Ku-Band

Thaicom 3 Satellite

DESIGN:

Aerospatiale' SpaceBus-3000
3-Axis stabilized spacecraft

POWER:

5000 W at End of Life

MASS :

2800 Kg at launch

LIFE:

15 Years

TRANSPONDER CAPACITY:

C-band:

Global Beam: 6 Transponders

Regional Beam: 18 Transponders

Ku-Band:

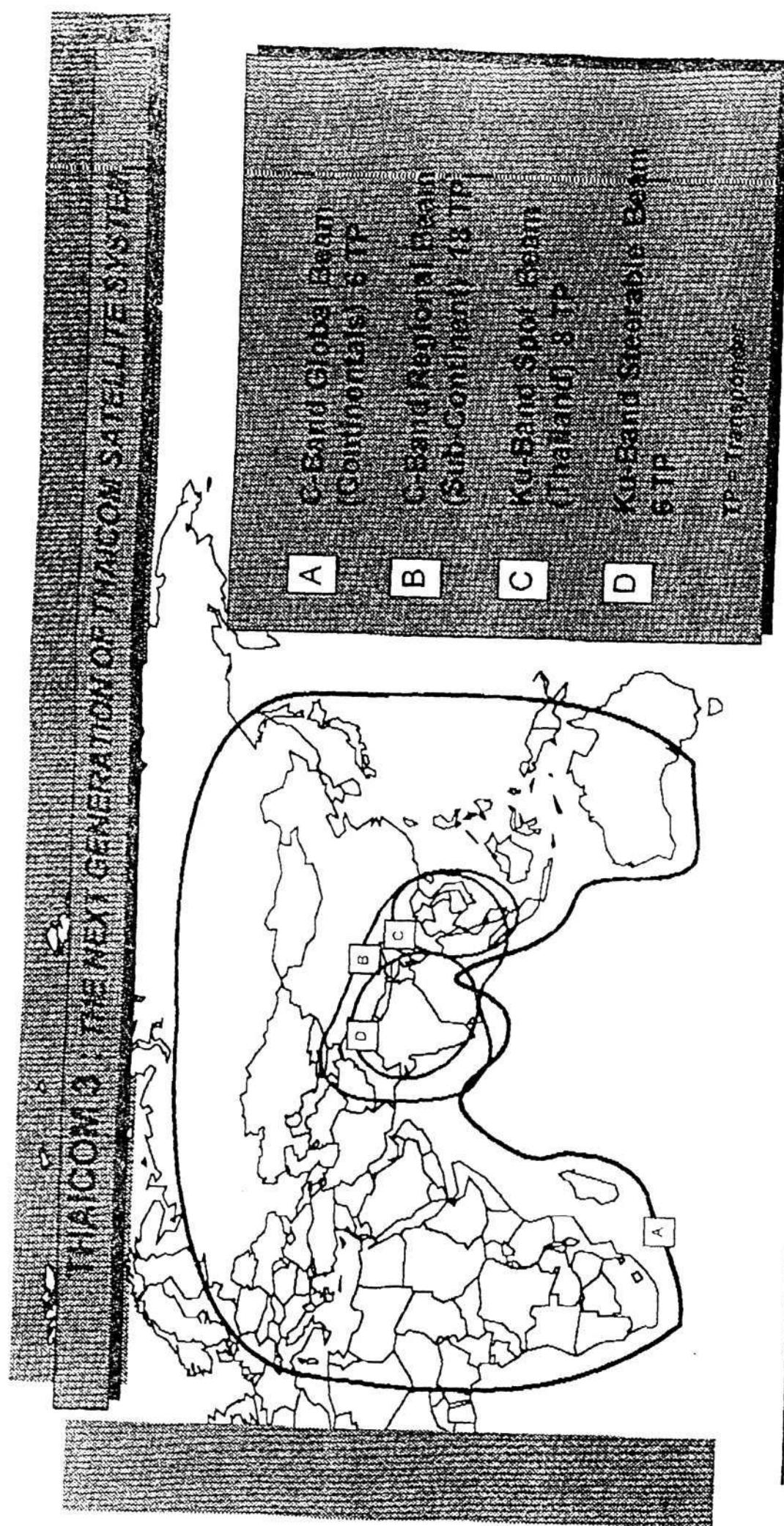
Thailand Beam: 7 Transponders

India Beam: 7 Transponders

LAUNCHER: ArianeSpace

LAUNCH DATE: Q4, 1996

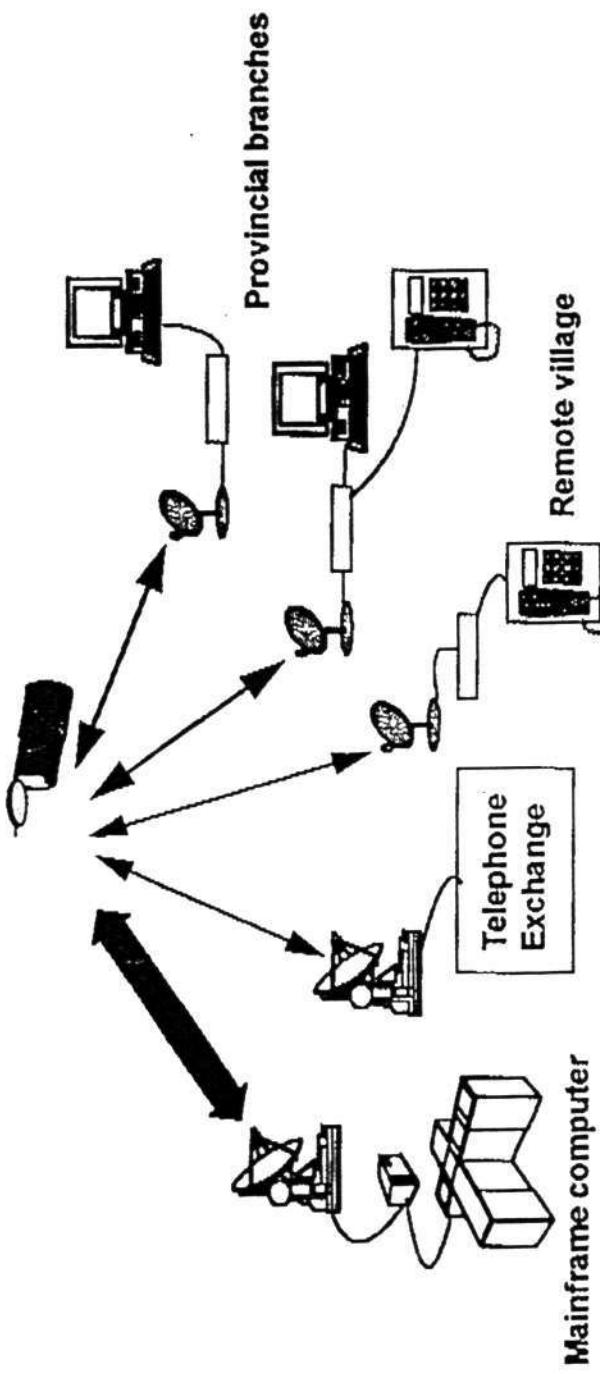




SATELLITE APPLICATIONS

DATA (Satellite Communication Network & VSAT)

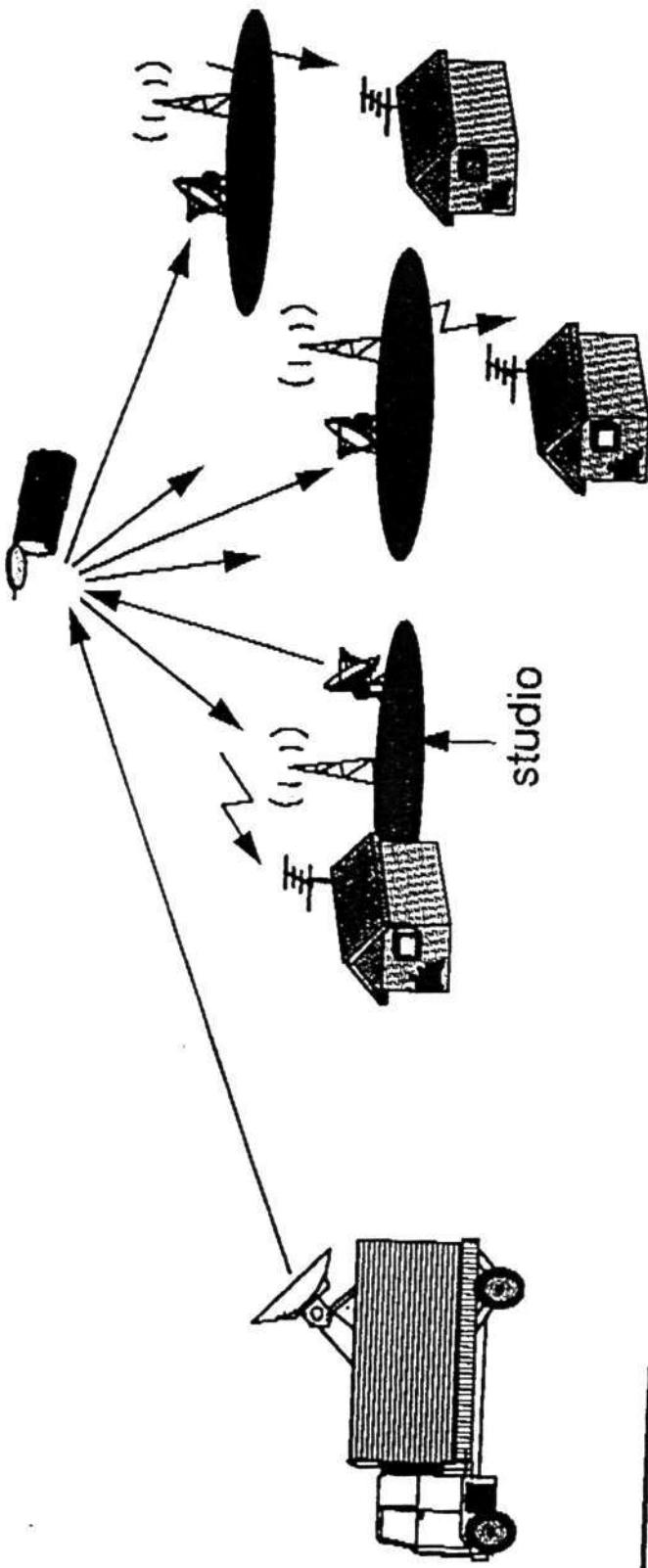
- Provide high performance connection for high speed computer network
 - Information can be Data, Voice and Video (video conferencing)



SATELLITE APPLICATIONS

TELEVISION: TV Distribution, Relay & Live Broadcasting

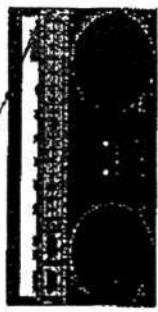
- The main studio sends TV signal via satellite to be picked up and rebroadcasted by the local broadcast stations nationwide (TV Distribution)
- Live broadcasting with mobile system (Satellite News Gathering: SNG)





Radio (Radio Distribution & Relay)

- Transmit and relay signal among distance radio stations, to exchange programs or rebroadcasting within local areas



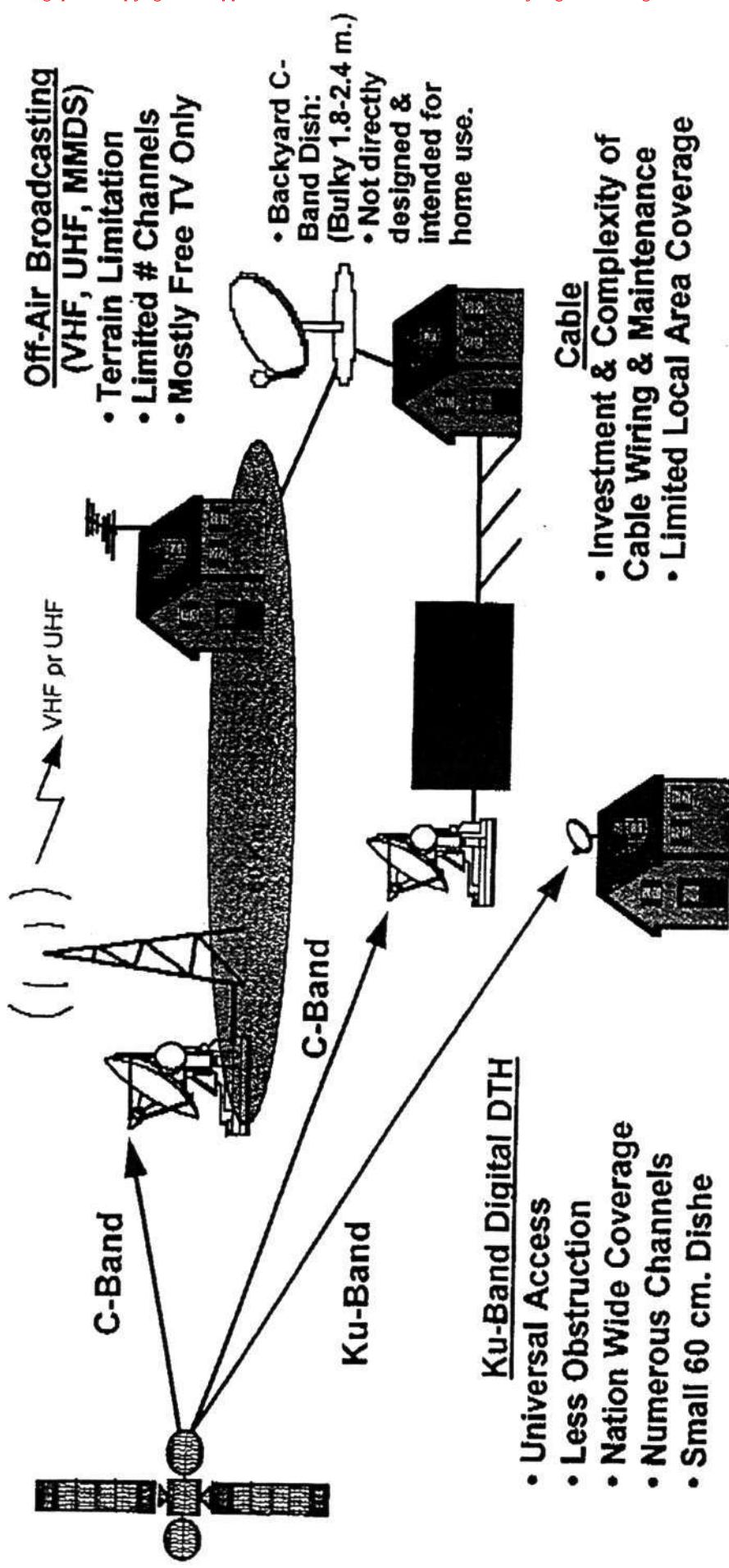
Telephone (Satellite Telephony)

- Connect regional switching centers together
- The use of small terminal to connect remote sites to major switching center
 - Connection can be implemented much faster than terrestrial lines



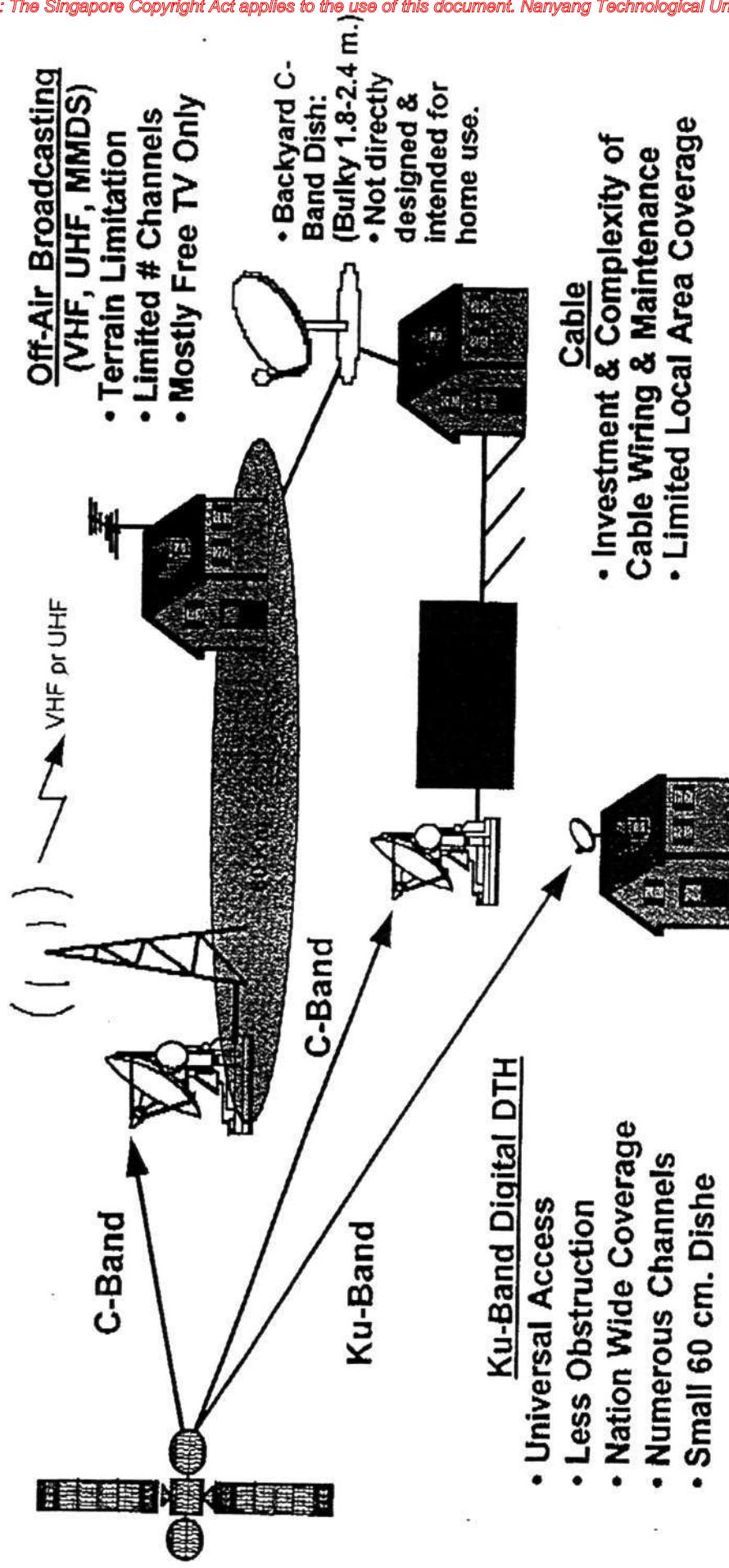
System Comparison

Evolution of Television Program Delivery Mechanisms



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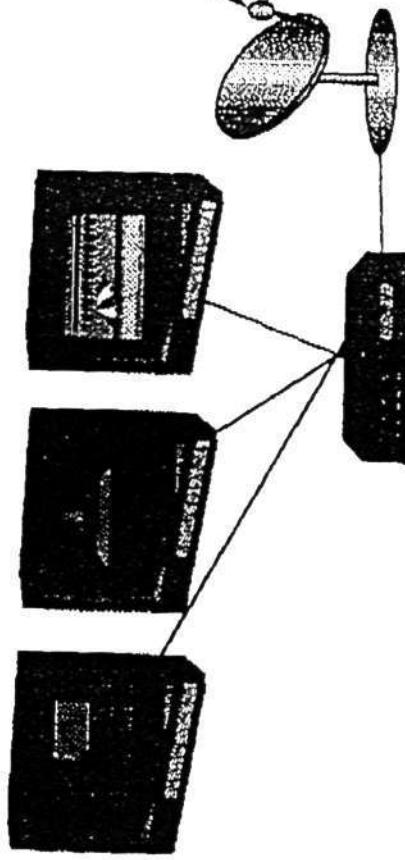
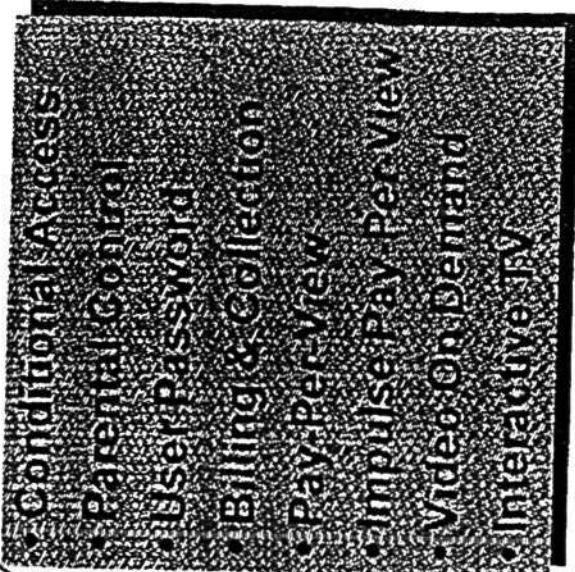
Evolution of Television Program Delivery Mechanisms



Enabling Technology

Digital Compression:

- Flexible Video and Audio Quality
- Subscription Services and Management
- Noise Immunity (Better Transmission Quality)
- Spectrum Efficiency (Expand Usable Bandwidth:
Many More Channels)
- Power Efficiency (Smaller Antenna & Power
Requirement)



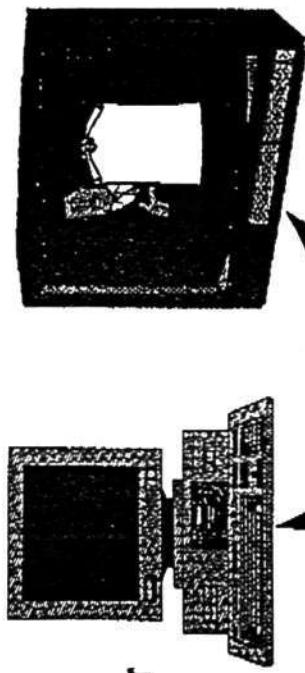
Enabling Technology

Digital Compression Standards

- **MPEG-2 (ISO 13818)**
 - Video, Audio Coding & Multiplexing Standard
- **DVB (Pending ITU)**
 - Service Information
 - Scrambling System
 - Error Correction, Modulation & Channel Coding
 - Telephone Descriptor and Future Interactivity
 - Transports:
 - » Satellite
 - » Cable & SMATV
 - » Terrestrial
- **Standards & Cross Compatibility: Universal/off-the-Shelf IRD Products Will Reduce Price & Increase Availability**
- **Thaicom DTH: First MPEG-2 DVB implementation in the world**

Multi-Media Services

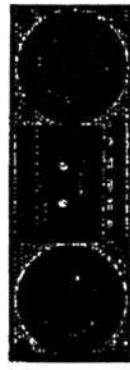
DATA : High Speed Data Broadcast & DDB for Downloading of Computer Programs, News, information



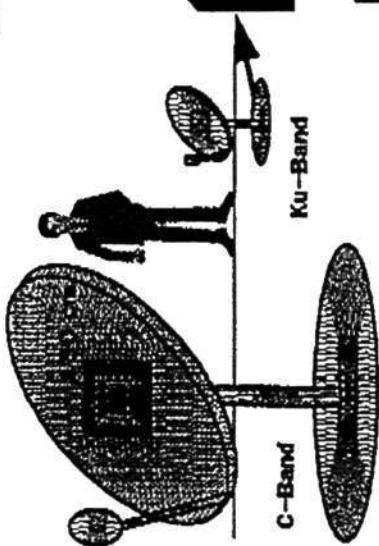
VIDEO : 50-100 Channel Universe of Very High Quality Video, Wide Screen & HDTV



AUDIO : CD-Quality, Surround Sound, Multi-Lingual & DAB Channels



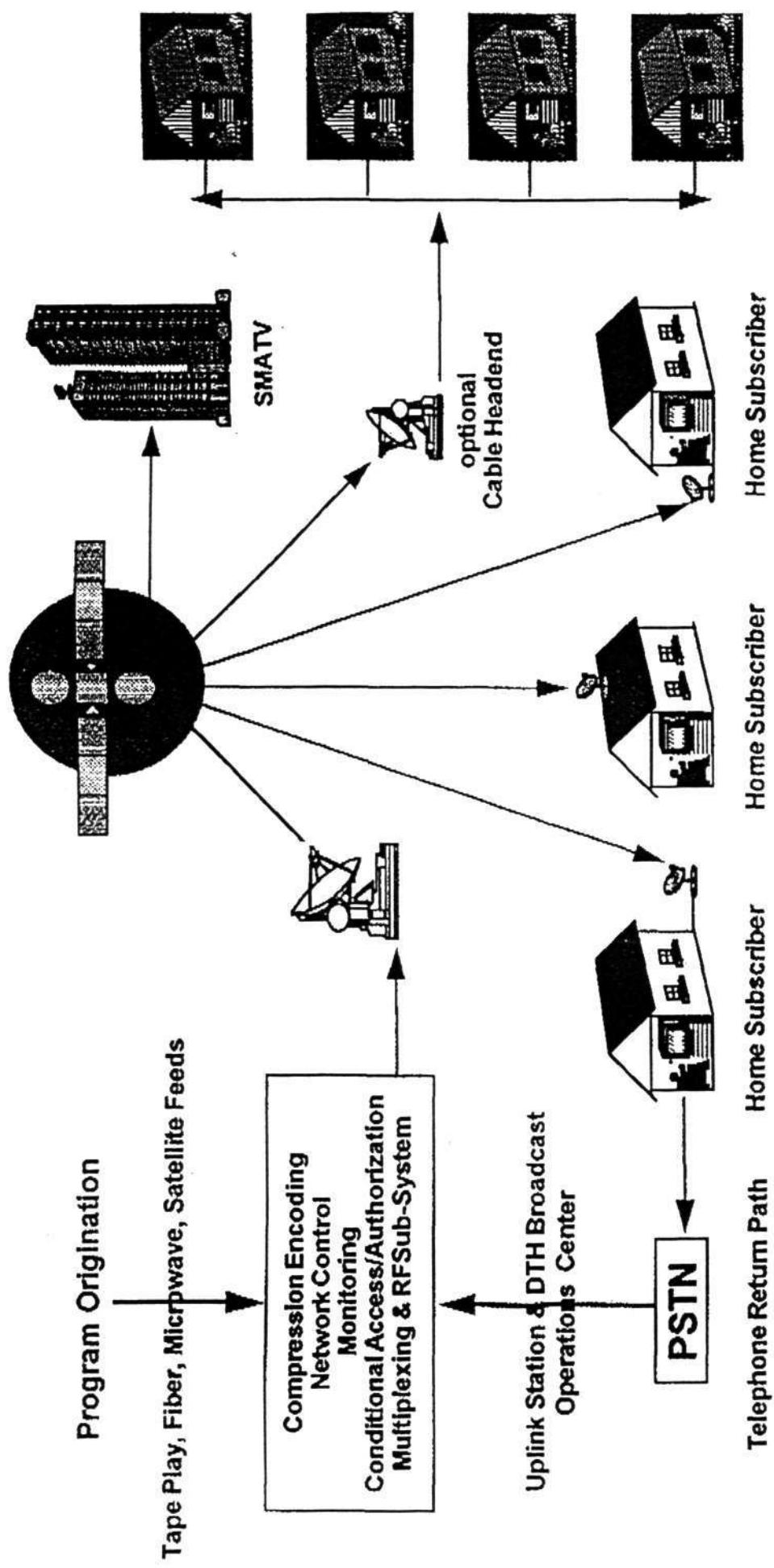
Integrated Receiver and Decoder (IRD) :
Convenience : Small 60 cm. Dish: Aesthetic & Easy to Install



Two-way : Telephone Connection for Return Link: Interactive Services



Digital DTH System



Digital DTH Strategic Advantages

- **Channel Capacity & Addressable Capability:**
 - New Revenue Avenue with advanced multichannel subscription services
 - Better Copyright protection mechanism
 - Provide consumer the power to program: Control & Choose What they want, Whenever they want, & Anywhere they want to Watch
 - **Nation-wide coverage with direct reach to millions of viewers**
 - National & Narrowcast programs
 - Uniform/Universal service to all locations
 - Bypassing local limitation
- **Technically, commercially and financially viable:**
 - High-end home entertainment system: Digital quality & capacity
 - Best fit to unwired and unsatisfied cable subscribers
 - A small penetration can make Digital DTH service feasible
 - Opportunities: for satellite, programming & consumer electronic Industries



CD

Technology Trends

Space Segment Technology (Satellite)

- » Super high power
- » Large transponder capacity
- » Ku & Ka band

