

# Business Model

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#### What is E-Commerce

"E-commerce is the purchasing, selling and exchanging goods and services over computer networks (internet).



#### Eras of E-Commerce

- E-Commerce I (1995-2000)
- Explosive growth starting in 1995
- Widespread of Web to advertise products
- Ended in 2000 when dot.com began to collapse
- E-Commerce II (2001-2006)
- Began in January 2001
- Reassessment of e-commerce companies

# Comparison

#### E Commerce I

- Business Driven
- Revenue Growth Emphasis
- Traditional Financing
- Ungoverned
- Large traditional Firms
- Disintermediation
- First Mover Advantage

#### E Commerce II

- Technology Driven
- Earnings And Profit Emphasis
- Venture Capital Financing
- Stronger regulation And Governance
- Entrepreneurial
- Strengthening Intermediaries
- Strategic Follower Strength

## Why E-Commerce?

- Low Entry Cost
- Reduces Transaction Costs
- Access to the global market
- Secure market share



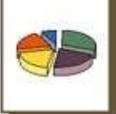
## **Process**



#### **CRM View**

#### **Demand Planning**

Analyzing buying patterns









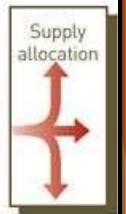
# Distribution planning





Supply Planning





#### **Demand Fulfillment**

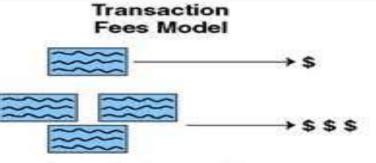












Commissions paid on volume of transactions

#### Subscription Model



Fixed amounts are charged, usually monthly

#### Advertisement Model



Payments from advertisers



Commissions for referring customers

#### Sales Model



Revenue from sales of goods or services

## Enablers of e-commerce

TABLE 2.6	E-COMMERCE ENABLERS	
INFRASTRUCTURE		PLAYERS
Hardware: Web Servers		IBM, Sun, Compaq, Dell
Software: Operating Systems and Server Software		Microsoft, Sun, Apache Software Foundation
Networking: Routers		Cisco
Security: Encryption Software		CheckPoint, VeriSign
E-commerce Software Systems (B2C, B2B)		IBM, Microsoft, iPlanet, CommerceNet, Ariba
Streaming Media Solutions		Real Networks, Microsoft
Customer Relationship Management Software		PeopleSoft
Payment Systems		PayPal, CyberCash
Performance Enhancement		Akamai, Cache Flow, Inktomi, Cidera, Digital Island
Databases		Oracle, Sybase
Hosting Services		Exodus, Equinex, Global Crossing

## Major types of e-commerce

- Market relationships
- Business-to-Consumers (B2C)
- Business-to-Business (B2B)
- Consumer-to-Consumer (C2C)
- Technology-based
- Peer-to-Peer (P2P)
- Mobile Commerce (M-commerce)



### Business-to-business (B2B)

B2B stands for Business to Business. It consists of largest form of Ecommerce.
This model defines that Buyer and seller are two different entities. It is similar to manufacturer issuing goods to the retailer or wholesaler.

E.g.:-Dell deals computers and other associated accessories online but it is does not make up all those products. So, in govern to deal those products, first step is to purchases them from unlike businesses i.e. the producers of those products.



## Business-to-consumer (B2C):

- It is the model taking businesses and consumers interaction. The basic concept of this model is to sell the product online to the consumers.
- B2c is the direct trade between the company and consumers. It provides direct selling through online. For example: if you want to sell goods and services to customer so that anybody can purchase any products directly from supplier's website.



## Business-to-Employee (B2E)

Business-to-employee (B2E) electronic commerce uses an intrabusiness network which allows companies to provide products and/or services to their employees. Typically, companies use B2E networks to automate employee-related corporate processes.

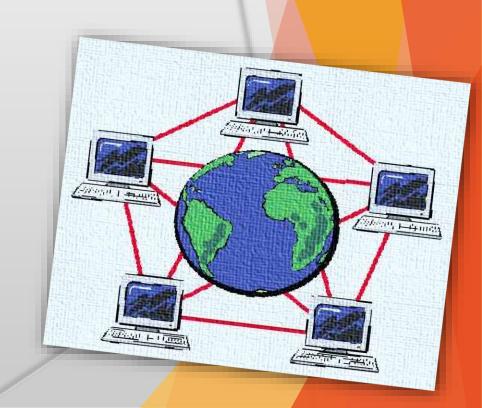
## Consumer-to-consumer (C2C)

There are many sites offering free classifieds, auctions, and forums where individuals can buy and sell thanks to online payment systems like PayPal where people can send and receive money online with ease. eBay's auction service is a great example of where person-to-person transactions take place everyday since 1995.



## P2P

- Enables internet users to share files and computer resources.
- Napster (early example)
- □ Skype (more modern and successful example)



#### M-Commerce

- Wireless digital devices enable transactions on the web.
- Uses personal digital assistants (PDAs) to connect.
- Used most widely in Japan and Europe.



## Key ingredients of a business model

#### TABLE 2.1

#### **KEY INGREDIENTS OF A BUSINESS MODEL**

## COMPONENTS

#### KEY QUESTIONS

Value proposition

Revenue model

Market opportunity

Competitive environment

Competitive advantage

Market strategy

Organizational development

Management team

Why should the customer buy from you?

How will you earn money?

What marketspace do you intend to serve, and what is its size?

Who else occupies your intended marketspace?

What special advantages does your firm bring to the marketspace?

How do you plan to promote your products or services to attract your target audience?

What types of organizational structures within the firm are necessary to carry out the business plan?

What kinds of experiences and background are important for the company's leaders to have?

#### Pros

- No checkout queues
- Reduce prices
- You can shop anywhere in the world
- Easy access 24 hours a day
- Wide selection to cater for all consumers

#### Cons

- Unable to examine products personally
- Not everyone is connected to the Internet
- There is the possibility of credit card number theft
- On average only 1/9th of stock is available on the net

