

Designing a Mechanism for Reallocation of Spectrum with Incentive-based Pricing

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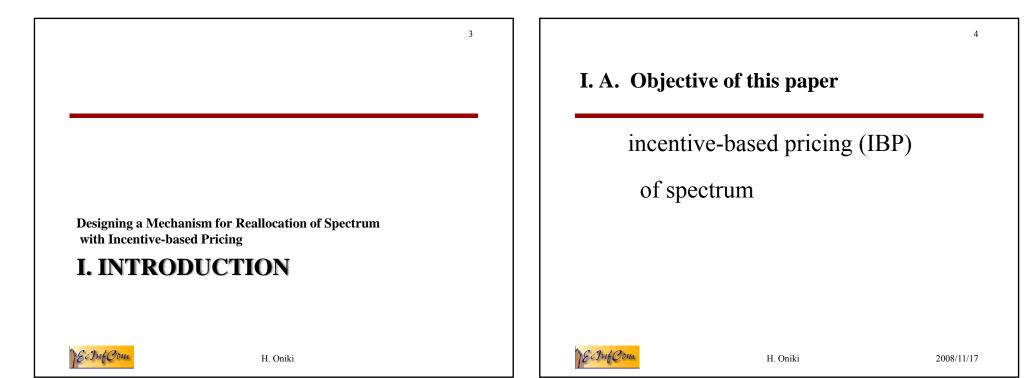
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I. B. Spectrum use in the future (1/3)

Power of mobile communication:

in the past, direct meeting only

now mobile-connected in voice

broadband connection in the future

informational 'teleportation'

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J. Spectrum use in the future (2/3) What do we need to bring in broadband? (1) more spectrum *spectrum reallocation* is important to promote technological progress and new business initiative

I. B. Spectrum use in the future (3/3)

What do we need to bring in broadband?

(2) use of economic incentives

some *economic mechanism* for converting private efforts into a public goal



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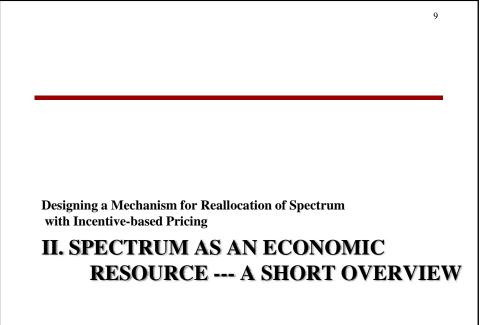
I. B. Spectrum use in the future (3a/3) Goal:

> To let spectrum be used by those who can best promote the benefits of the people



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II. A. What is	s spectrum? (1/2)	
- a space res	source with limite	ed capacity
- no depletio	on, no depreciatio	on
- can be use	d in exclusive or	shared mode
- externaliti	es, positive and n	egative
- technologi	cal progress incr	eases
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II. A. What is spectrum? (2/2)

- spectrum is a real estate,
 - like land, producing "rent"
 - (income to nonsubstitutable factor
 - of production)
- management of spectrum rents



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II. A. What is spectrum? (2a/2)
history of spectrum use: started 100yrs ago with tech regulations no scarcity (no rent) until 1990's has become scarce with mobile tech huge rents & vested rights

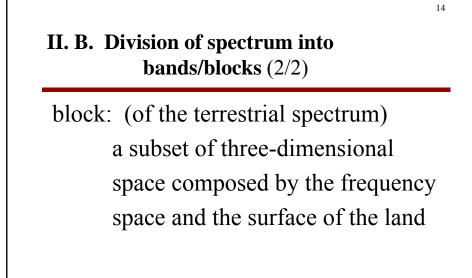


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II. B. Division of spectrum into bands/blocks (1/2)

band: a segment of one-dimensional frequency space





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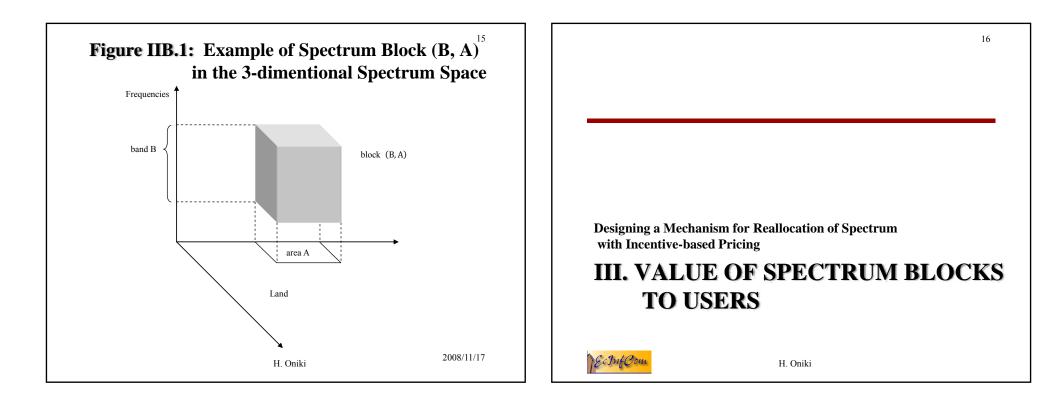
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III. A. Theory of valuation (in general) (1/13)

- 1. value of economic objects in competitive-market environment economic objects:
 - property, e.g., land, houses
 - organization (e.g., a corporation)
 - human labor
 - spectrum blocks

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III. A. Theory of valuations (in general) (2/13)

2. calculation

(the value of an object at time t_0)

= (the sum of expected returns to the object in the future discounted with regard to both time and uncertainty, DPV)

$$= \sum_{t=t_0}^{\infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{(1+d)^{(t-t_0)}} \right\} \cdot R_t$$
$$= V(\{R\}, i, r), \text{ where}$$

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III. A. Theory of valuations (in general) (3/13)

- R_t : return to the object during period t
- d: discount factor
 - (= interest rate plus risk-premium rate)

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III. A. Theory of valuations (in general) (4/13)

3. remarks

a. value of an object depends on the economic environment in which the object is placed, the purpose of valuation, the "owner (controller)" of the object.



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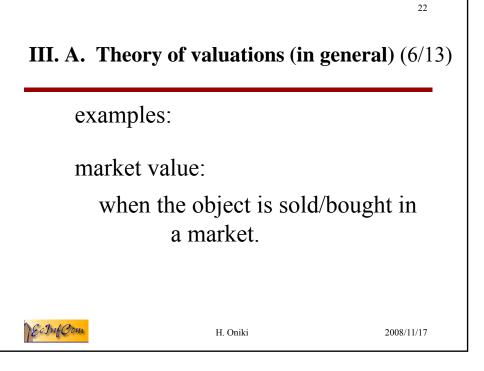
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III. A. Theory of valuations (in general) (5/13)

b. value of an object becomes significant, when the "state" of the object is changed or about to be changed.

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III. A. Theory of valuations (in general) (7/13)

supply value (supply price):

when the owner is about to yield the ownership of the object.

demand value (demand price):

when a (potential) owner is about to acquire the object.



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III. A. Theory of valuations (in general) (8/13)

c. value of a quantifiable object:

unit value changes depending on the quantity of the object to be evaluated:

(theory of demand and supply curves).



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III. A. Theory of valuations (in general) (9/13)

- d. value of an object composed of "parts".
- (1) The value of the entire object is the sum of the values of the parts if there is no externality between the parts.

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III. A. Theory of valuations (in general) (10/13)

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example:

calculation of DPV of a corporation (Z): R_t : the value (the return) from Z in period t. $\frac{R_t}{(1+d)^{(t-t_0)}}$: the value of R_t discounted to period t_0 . $\sum \frac{R_t}{(1+d)^{(t-t_0)}}$: the sum of the discounted R_t over all periods in the future on the assumption there is no externality between R_t 's. H. Oniki 2008/11/17

III. A. Theory of valuations (in general) (11/13)

(2) If there is (positive) externalities between parts, then the value of the entire object **exceeds** the sum of the values of the parts: **III. A. Theory of valuations (in general)** (12/13)

example:

the value of 2 pieces of land (or spectrum blocks) *u* and *v* used separately or jointly:



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III. A. Theory of valuations (in general) (13/13)

separate use: V(u): value of u V(v): value of vjoint use: V(u, v): value of u and vused jointly. $V(u, v) \ge V(u) + V(v)$ because of the external economies between u and v.



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III. B. Spectrum valuation by incumbent users: (1/12)

1. formula:

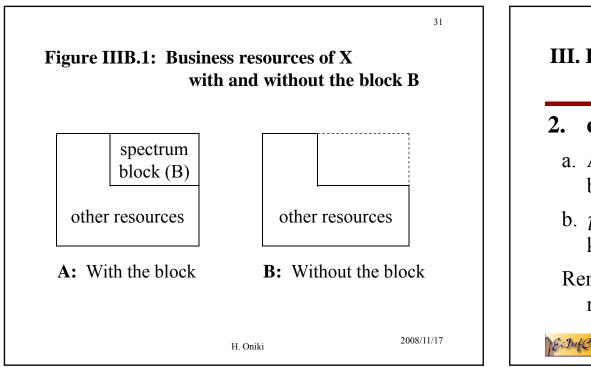
- p_1 : the value of (incumbent) user with a spectrum block
- p_2 : the value of the user without the block

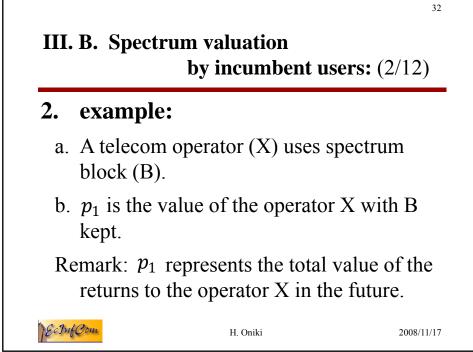
The value of the block to the user: $P_X^* = p_1 - p_2$



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III. B. Spectrum valuation by incumbent users: (3/12)

- p_1 may be calculated
- (1) by using the DPV formula with numerical forecasts of returns to X, or
- (2) by relying on the insights of experts/executives as to the expected performance of X in the future, or
- (3) by the total value of the (corporate) stocks as exhibited in the stock market.

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III. B. Spectrum valuation by incumbent users: (4/12)

c. Suppose that X loses the right of using B, and that the "best" alternative is to shift to using optical fibre instead.

 p_2 is the value of X without B but with optical fibre obtained.



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III. B. Spectrum valuation by incumbent users: (5/12)

Remark: *p*₂ is the value of X without B. When X loses (sells) B, there may be several options that X can take.

One may be to simply decrease the scale of X's operation by allowing some of X's customers to leave.



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III. B. Spectrum valuation by incumbent users: (6/12)

Another may be to keep the operation of X at the same level as before by substituting some other means for spectrum (such as using optical fibre instead of spectrum or employing new technology for using spectrum more efficiently to cover the capacity of spectrum sold);



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III. B. Spectrum valuation by incumbent users: (7/12)

in such cases, X will need to spend some amount for transfer. p_2 is the value of X without B, which is the sum of DPV of returns from X without B minus DPV of costs needed for X to shift from its business with B to that without B (but with, e.g., optical fibre).

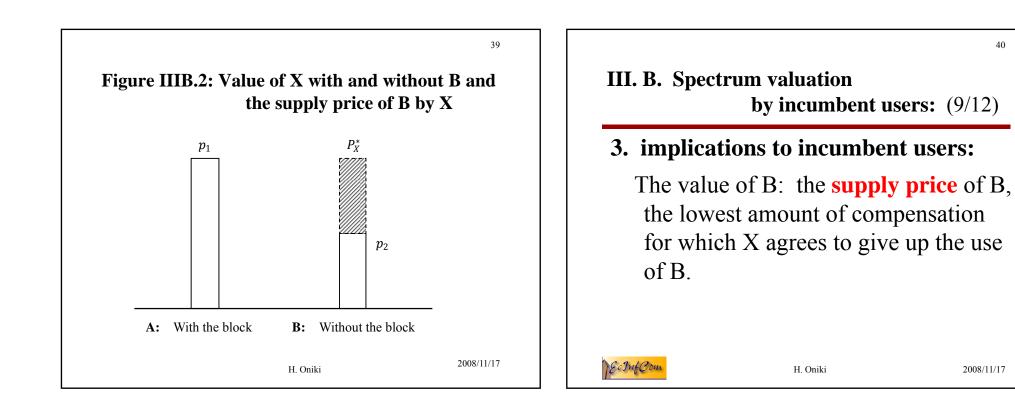


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III. B. Spectrum valuation by incumbent users: (8/12)

d. The value of B to X is $p_1 - p_2$, where p_2 is the sum of discounted future returns to X without B but with optical fibre plus onceand-for-all cost of shifting from B to fibre, including construction cost of fibre deployment, employee retraining cost, cost of losing customers (and customer confidence) arising from the shift to fibre, and others.



III. B. Spectrum valuation by incumbent users: (10/12)

- 4. expected behavior of incumbent users:
 - a. If a price above the supply price is offered for B, X will "sell" B. The higher the price used for a sale, the better off X will be.



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III. B. Spectrum valuation by incumbent users: (11/12)
b. If X is asked to exhibit a price for B, X can choose any price above the supply price. (In other words, X can tell a "lie" with regard to the "true" supply price of B.) The chances of successful sale, however, will be lower, the higher the price offered by X.



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III. B. Spectrum valuation by incumbent users: (12/12)

c. For a price lower than the supply price, X will never agree to give up B.

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III. C. Spectrum valuation by potential users (1/13)

1. formula:

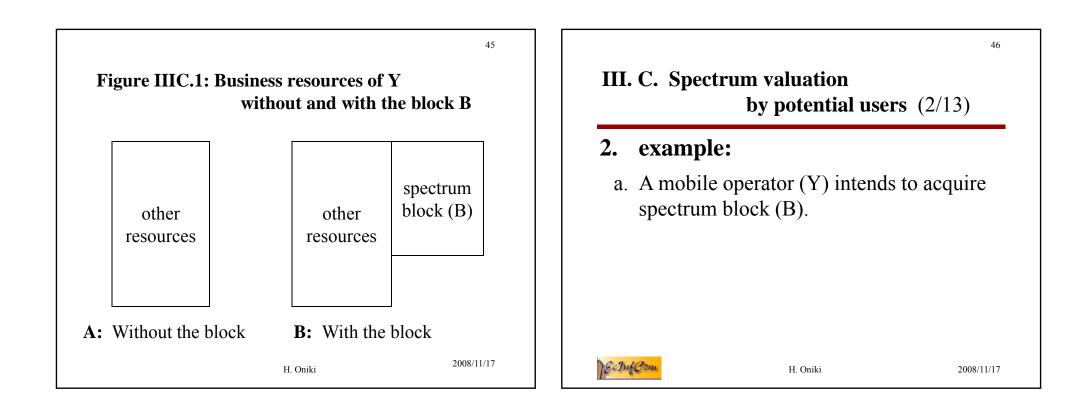
- *q*₁ : the value of (potential) user without a spectrum block
- q_2 : the value of the user with the block the value of B to the user:

$$P_Y^* = q_2 - q_1$$



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III. C. Spectrum valuation by potential users (3/13)

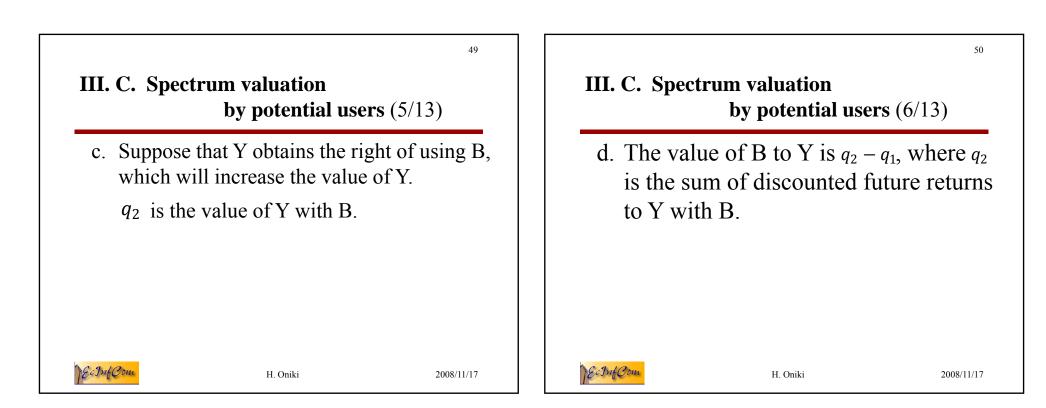
Remark:

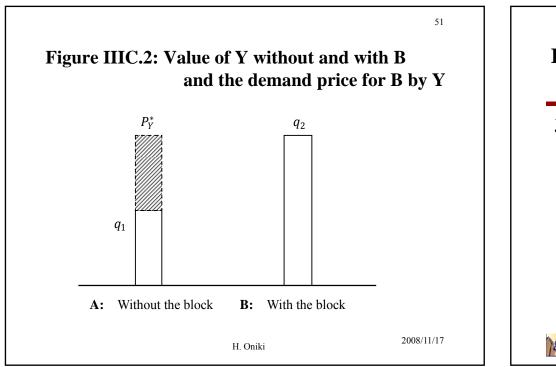
In a typical case, Y has successfully developed new technology by means of which Y can provide new services (such as the 3rd generation mobile telephony) to customers if additional spectrum becomes available. Another case may be a wireless Internet service provider with new technology intending to expand its business by acquiring spectrum for this. III. C. Spectrum valuation by potential users (4/13)
b. q₁ is the value of Y without B. (q₁ may be represented by the market value of Y's stocks.)

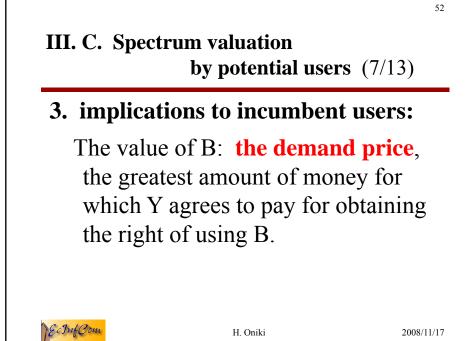


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III. C. Spectrum valuation by potential users (8/13)

Remark:

It is noted that the principle of deriving the demand price for spectrum as indicated above is analogous to that of deriving the supply price except that the direction of comparing the operator's value is reversed. In other words, spectrum pricing is symmetrical between incumbent and new users at the theoretical level.

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III. C. Spectrum valuation by potential users (9/13)

In reality, of course, there is a great deal of difference between forming of a supply price and that of a demand price. A single most important factor may be risk and uncertainty accompanying Y's operation when it is of new category such as the case Y intends to use B to start a new service to customers with newly developed technology.



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III. C. Spectrum valuation by potential users (10/13)

In many cases, as we know well, returns from such venturing operation are uncertain; the demand price for B has to be formed with risk factors. In calculating DPV, risk may be taken into account by increasing the discount rate. In short, therefore, the difficulty arising from the risk attached to future returns tends to lower the demand price for spectrum.



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III. C. Spectrum valuation

by potential users (11/13)

4. expected behavior of potential users:

a. If B is available to Y at a price lower than the demand price, Y will "acquire" B.The lower the price used for such a trade, the better off Y will be.



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III. C. Spectrum valuation by potential users (12/13)

b. If Y is asked to reveal a price for B, then Y can choose any price lower than the demand price. (In other words, Y can tell a "lie" with regard to the "true" demand price for B.) The chances of successful purchase, however, will be lower, the lower the price bid by Y.

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III. C. Spectrum valuation by potential users (13/13)

c. For a price higher than the demand price, Y will never agree to pay for acquiring B.



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III. D. Welfare and trade implications of spectrum valuation (1/10)

1. assumptions:

spectrum block B

- P_X^* : the supply price of B to incumbent user X.
- P_Y^* : the demand price for B to potential user Y.



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III. D. Welfare and trade implications of spectrum valuation (2/10)

2. welfare implications:

a. If $P_Y^* > P_X^*$, then the sum of the value of X and that of Y combined will be increased by $(P_Y^* - P_X^*)$ if B is transferred from X to Y.



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III. D. Welfare and trade implications of spectrum valuation (3/10)

Further, if B is "sold" to Y by X at a price *p* such that $P_Y^* \ge p \ge P_X^*$, then at least one (and possibly both) of the value of X and that of Y will be increased and neither the value of X or that of Y will be decreased.



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III. D. Welfare and trade implications of spectrum valuation (4/10)

In short, welfare improvement is achieved by a transfer of B from X to Y both at the individual and the aggregate levels

(Pareto improvement =

increased efficiency of spectrum use)



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III. D. Welfare and trade implications of spectrum valuation (5/10)

In reality, most of the spectrum blocks are being used inefficiently in the Pareto sense.

Reason (historical): Continuation of the old-time use of spectrum, formed when spectrum was not scarce.



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III. D. Welfare and trade implications of spectrum valuation (6/10)

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(increase in income by transfer of B: from Y to X)

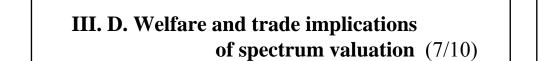
$$= P_Y^* - P_X^*$$

(measure of efficiency improvement)

$$= 1.0 - (\frac{P_X^*}{P_Y^*})$$

(measure of aggregate efficiency improvement)

$$= 1.0 - \frac{\sum P_X^*}{\sum P_Y^*}$$
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b. If $P_Y^* \leq P_X^*$, then there is no possibility of welfare improvement.

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a. If $P_Y^* > P_X^*$, and if X and Y can agree

upon a price *p* such that $P_Y^* \ge p \ge P_X^*$

for trading B from X to Y, then trade

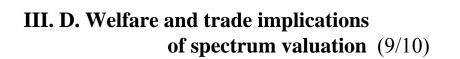
III. D. Welfare and trade implications

3. trade implications:

of B will take place.

of spectrum valuation (8/10)

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b. If $P_Y^* > P_X^*$, but X and Y cannot agree at a price *p* such that $P_Y^* \ge p \ge P_X^*$, then trade of B may not take place in spite of the possibility of welfare improvement to one or both of X and Y by trading B.



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III. D. Welfare and trade implications of spectrum valuation (10/10) c. If $P_Y^* \leq P_X^*$, then there is no possibility of trading B from X to Y.



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IV. TRADE OF SPECTRUM BLOCKS BY DIRECT BARGAINING

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1. spectrum blocks and users:	
	spectrum block: B
	incumbent (current) user of B: X
	potential user of B: Y

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IV. A. Notations: (2/5)

2. block prices derived from spectrum valuation:

supply price for B by X: P_X^* demand price of B by Y: P_Y^*



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IV. A. Notations: (3/5)

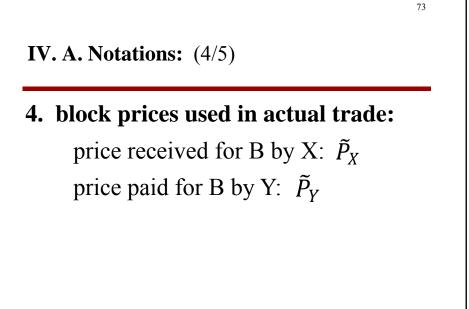
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3. block prices used in bargaining:

price offered for B by X: P_X

price bid for B by Y: P_Y

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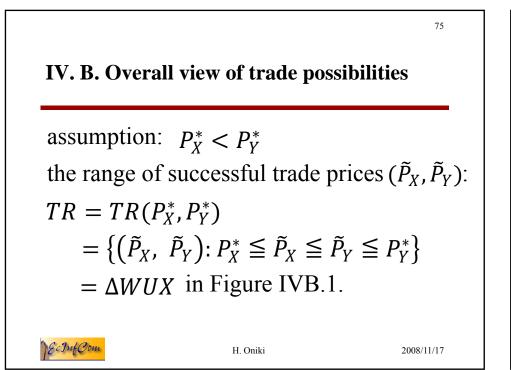
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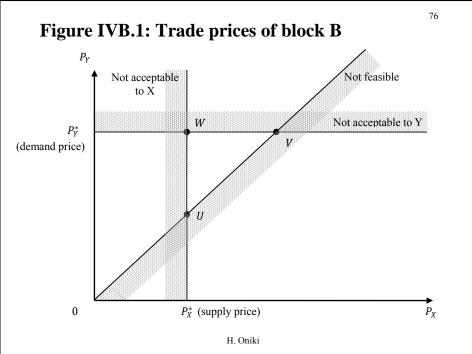
IV. A. Notations: (5/5) **5. bargaining periods:** t t = 0 : initial period $t = \overline{t}$: final period reached \overline{t}_X : maximum bargaining period for X \overline{t}_Y : maximum bargaining period for Y

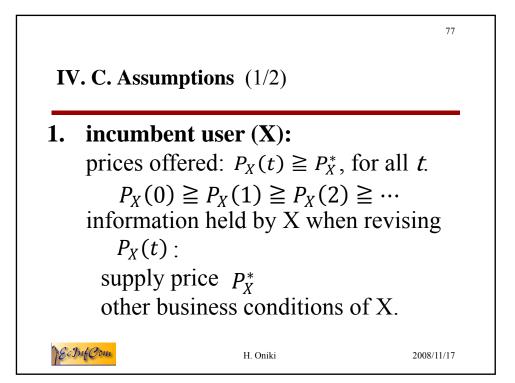


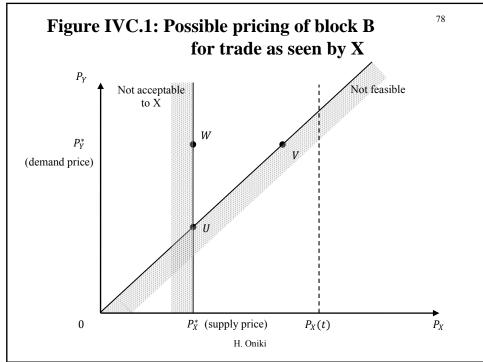
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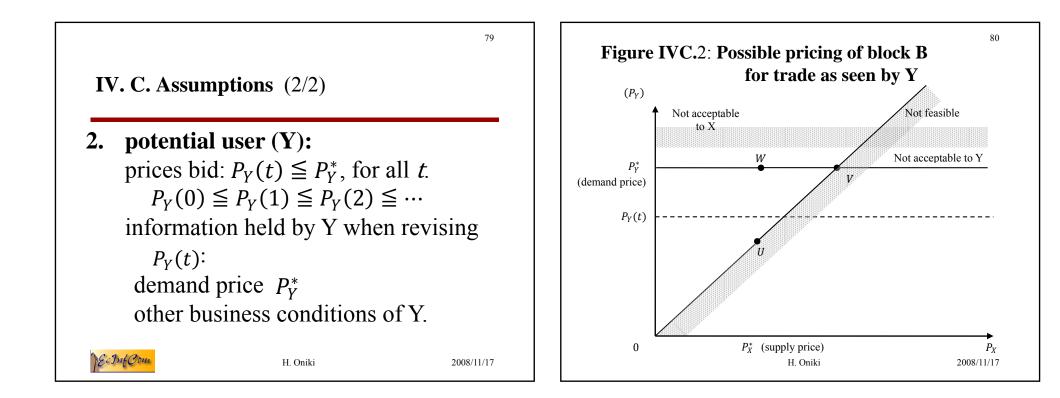
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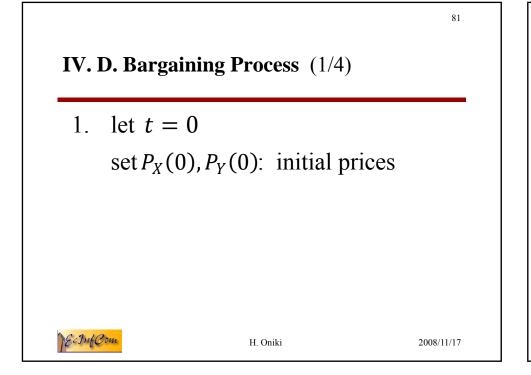


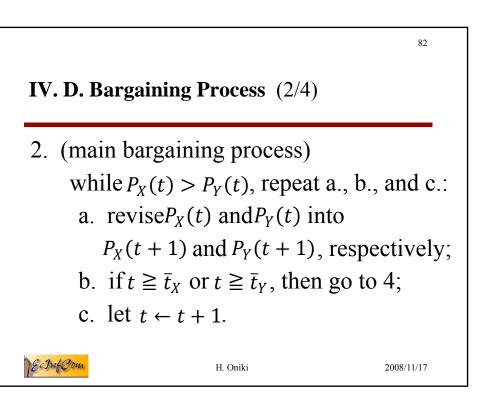














IV. D. Bargaining Process (3/4)

- 3. (successful trade prices reached:
 - $P_X(t) \leq P_Y(t)$

choose \tilde{P}_X and \tilde{P}_Y such that

 $P_X(t) \leq \tilde{P}_X \leq \tilde{P}_Y \leq P_Y(t)$ according to a predetermined rule;

go to 5.



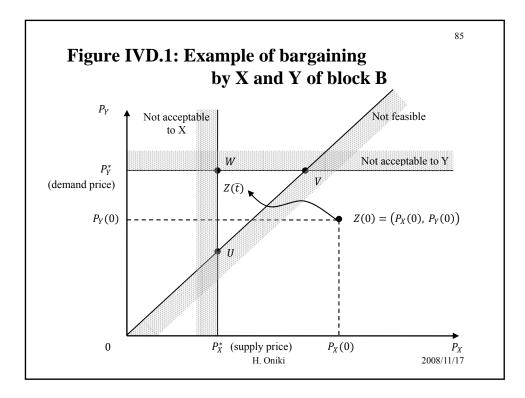
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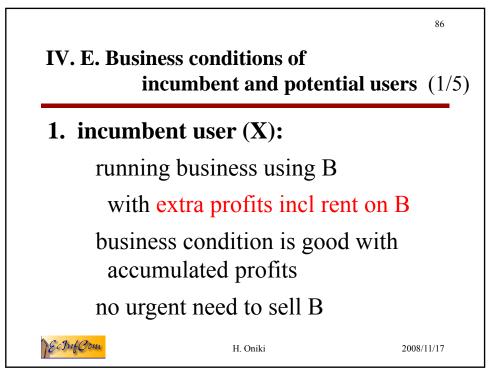
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IV. D. Bargaining Process (4/4)
(maximum trade period reached, no trade)
let t
 = t;
end.



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IV. E. Business conditions of incumbent and potential users (2/5)

2. new user (Y):

creating new business on starting new use of B no extra profits accumulated need to pay interests/dividends on newly prepared capital urgent need to obtain B ⁸⁸
IV. E. Business conditions of incumbent and potential users (3/5)
3. effects on bargaining:

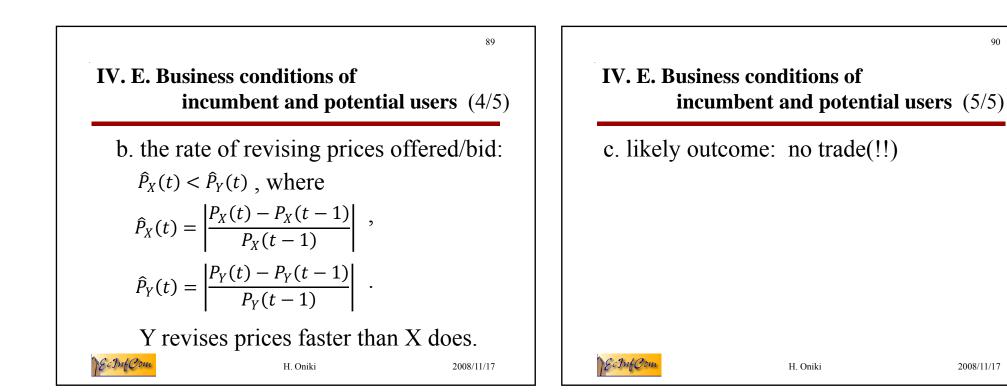
a. maximum trade periods:

 $\bar{t}_X > \bar{t}_Y.$

Y cannot wait for long as X can



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V. BLOCK STRUCTURE ---EXTERNAL ECONOMIES IN USING SPECTRUM BLOCKS

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V. A. External economies (1/2)				
1.	notations:			
	individual block: A, B, C,			
	group (of blocks): AB, ABC, CD,			
	two or more (neighboring) block	S		
	used jointly			
value of blocks, groups:				
	V(A), V(B), V(AB),			
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V. A. External economies (2/2)

2. external economies:

Let *u* and *v* be (neighboring) blocks/groups.

Then,

$$V(u) + V(v) \leq V(uv),$$

Where *uv* is the group formed by *u* and *v*;

i.e., the value function is convex with regard

to forming a group.

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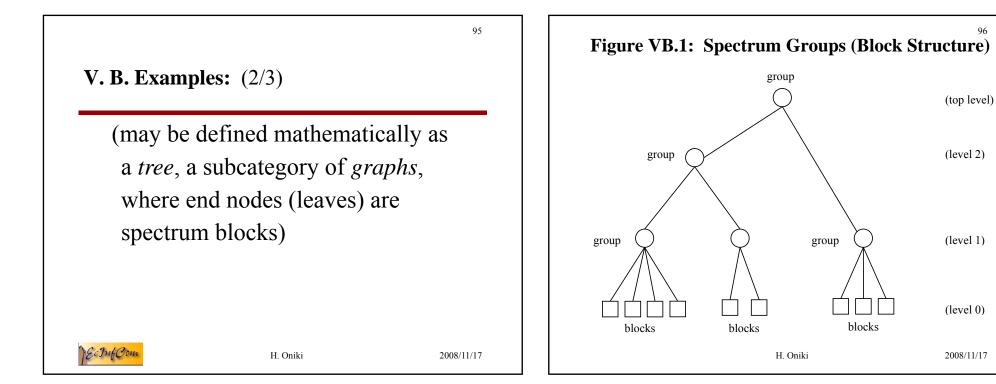
V. B. Examples: (1/3)
1. tree-type (hierarchical) grouping of blocks

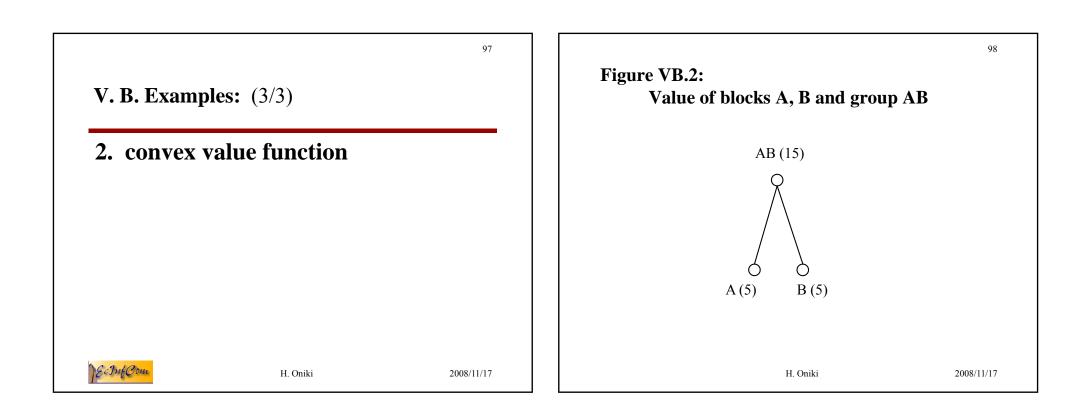
a spectrum group is either
a block, or
a collection of blocks, or
a collection of groups.



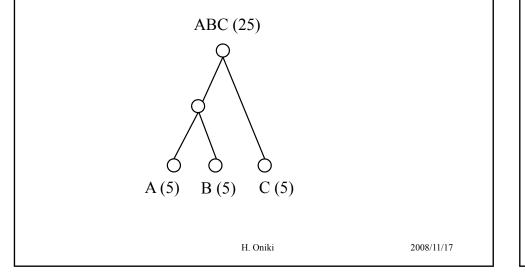
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V. C. Implications of externality: (1/4)				
1. pricing of blocks/groups with externalities:				
_	crease the domain or pricing greatly.	of objects		
2	handled by means computer.	sof		
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V. C. Implications of externality: (2/4)

2. false pricing:

possible but limited by the convexity condition.

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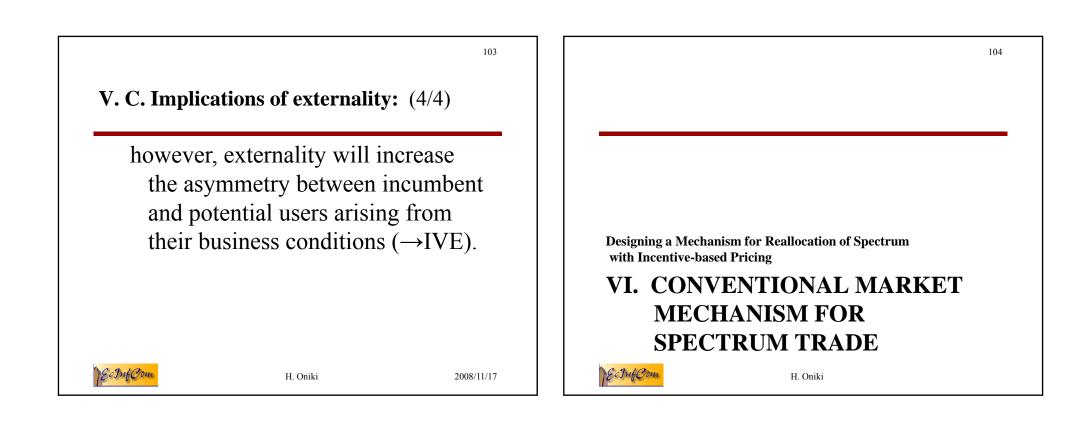


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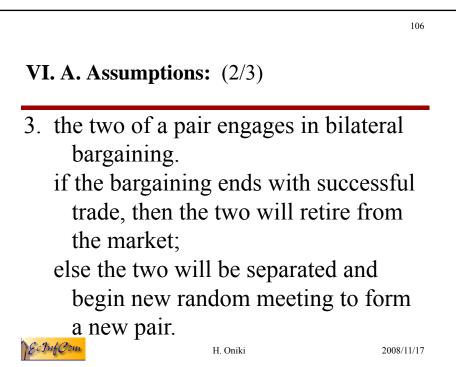


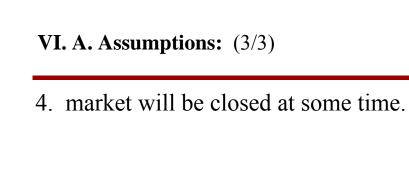
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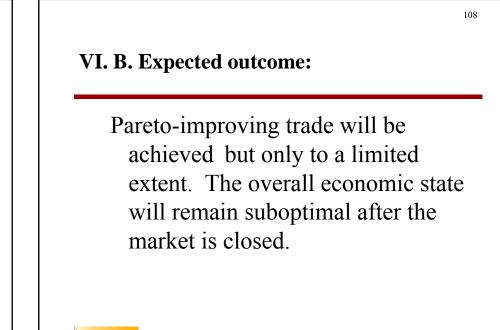
- 1. market is decentralized.
- 2. incumbent and potential users meet randomly in the market to form a pair of an incumbent user and a potential user.



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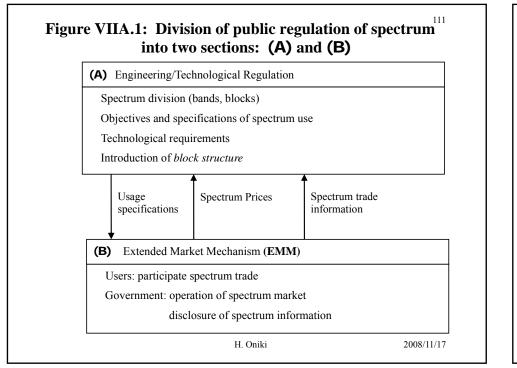
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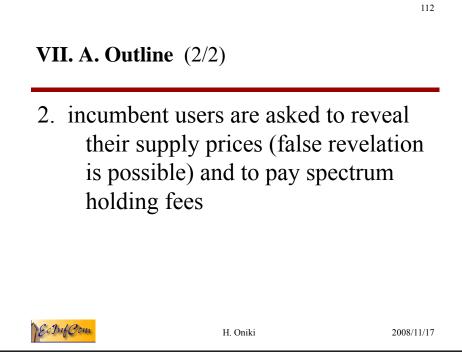
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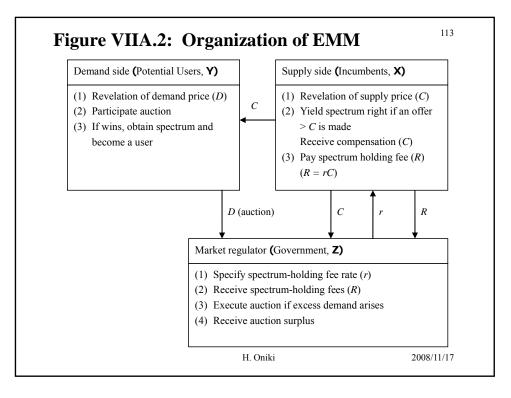
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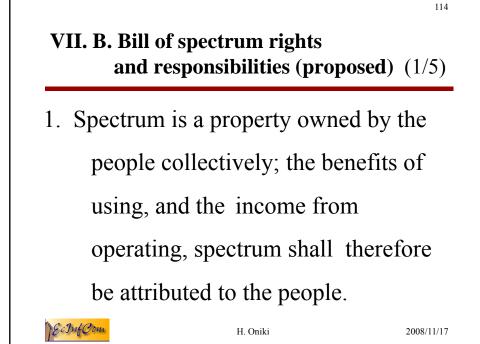
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VII. B. Bill of spectrum rights and responsibilities (proposed) (2/5)

2. Spectrum may be used exclusively by a user for an indefinite period; the right to use spectrum, however, is by no means permanent.



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VII. B. Bill of spectrum rights and responsibilities (proposed) (3/5)

 The user shall yield the right of using spectrum when requested by a party with a compensation which exceeds the amount declared by the user prior to such a request.



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VII. B. Bill of spectrum rights and responsibilities (proposed) (4/5)

4. The user shall pay each year to the government a usage fee, which is equal to the product of the declared compensation and a fee rate to be specified by the government.



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VII. C. Rights and obligations of incumbents (1/6)

- 1. Revelation of supply price (c) of each group (block)
- *c*: the least amount of compensation for which incumbent agrees to yield the right of using the group



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- VII. C. Rights and obligations of incumbents (2/6)
- 2. Payment of spectrum usage fee (*R*)
 - R = r C.
 - *C*: the sum of *c*'s declared with top-level groups
 - *r*: (annual) rate of spectrum usage fee to be determined by the government

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UI. C. Rights and obligations
 of incumbents (3/6)**J. Incumbents**may continue using a group
 if there is no offer > cmust yield the block
 if there is an offer $\ge c$

VII. C. Rights and obligations of incumbents (4/6)

4. Determination of *c* by incumbents:

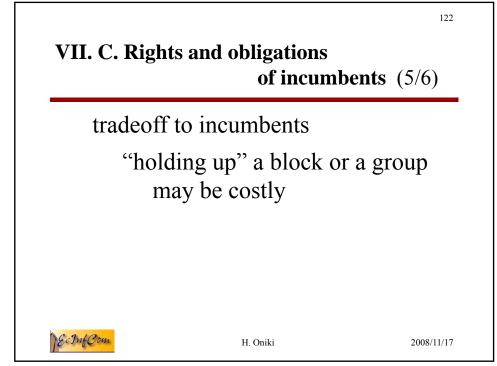
Incumbents tend to declare

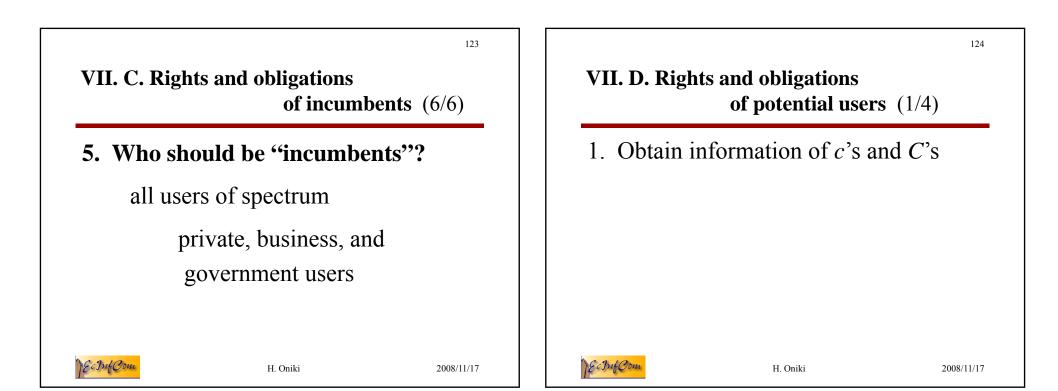
a high c for continuing the use of a group

a low c for saving payment R



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VII. D. Rights and obligations of potential users (2/4)

2. Make offers by showing demand price (D) for groups (blocks) chosen

VII. D. Rights and obligations of potential users (3/4)

3. If there is no competing offer,then potential user obtains spectrumright for paying *D*.



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VII. D. Rights and obligations of potential users (4/4)

4. If there is a competing offer,

then auction will be conducted on such groups

winning potential user obtains spectrum right for paying *D*.



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VII. E. Roles of government with EMM: (1/4)

1. spectrum holding fee

a. determines a fee rate (*r*):

to control the speed of reallocation

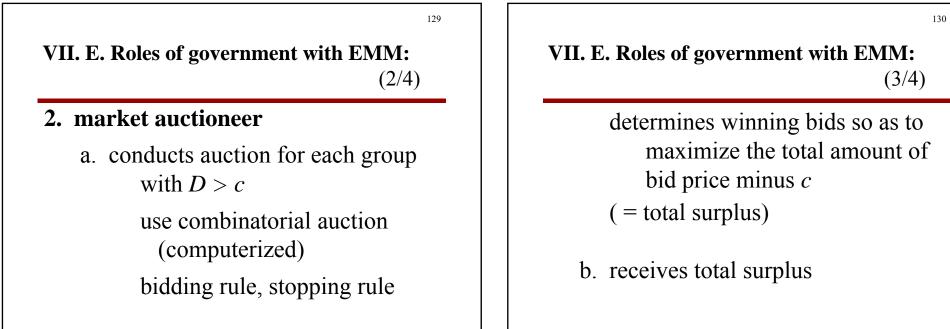
resembles to determination of discount rate by central bank

b. receives spectrum fees (R)



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VII. E. Roles of government with EMM: (4/4)

- 3. collection and dissemination of information
 - a. *c*, *C*, *D*, auction process, auction results
 - b. the state of spectrum rights: registration

information disclosure

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VII. F. Expected outcome from EMM:
Pareto-improving reallocations will be realized gradually step by step

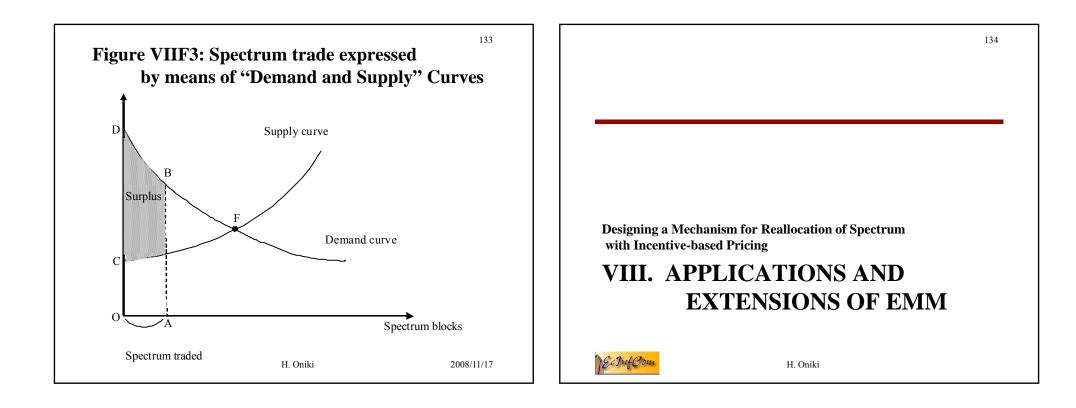
speed of reallocation is controlled

by r



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VIII. A. Secondary (indirect) users of spectrum with EMM (1/5)

1. Commons users:

primary user:

commons administrator

secondary users:

general users (the public)



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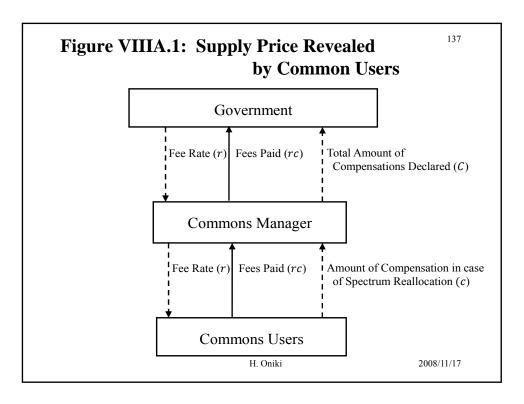
VIII. A. Secondary (indirect) users of spectrum with EMM (2/5)
C: the sum of all compensations declared by the users
R: may be collected at purchasing a device for using a commons block (payment may be made together with

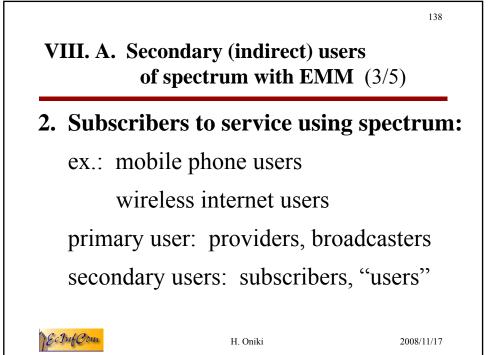
that of insurance fees for breakage)



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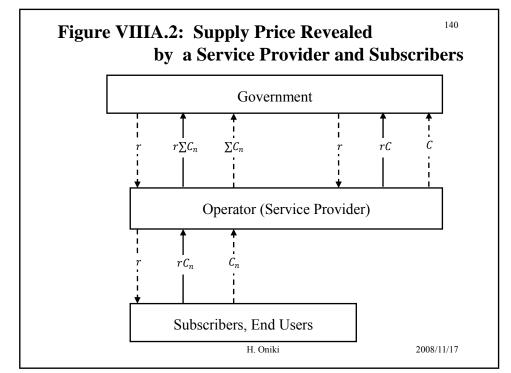


VIII. A. Secondary (indirect) users of spectrum with EMM (4/5)

- *C*: the sum of compensations declared by the primary and the secondary users
- *R*: may be collected by primary user from secondary users to remit to government



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VIII. A. Secondary (indirect) users of spectrum with EMM (5/5)

3. Transition to DTV in the presence of EMM

would have been a case of reallocation of commons blocks under EMM



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VIII. B. Introduction of reallocation as a forward trading, forward supply price (1/2)
EMM with timing of reallocation specified

ex.: reallocation *x* years after the current year

x = 1, 3, 5 and 10 years

c, *C*, *D*, *r* to be specified for each *x*.

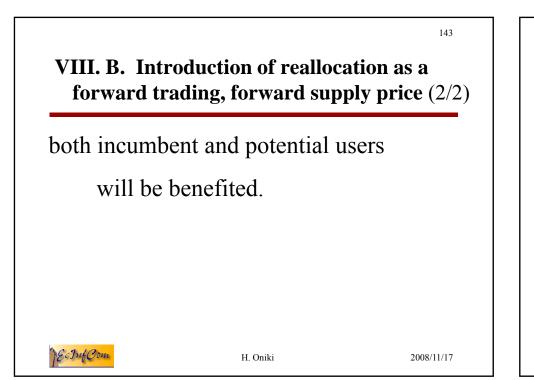
EMM is applied for each *x*.

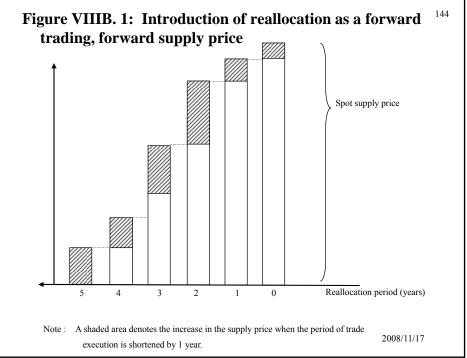
actual reallocation to be done in the year *x*.

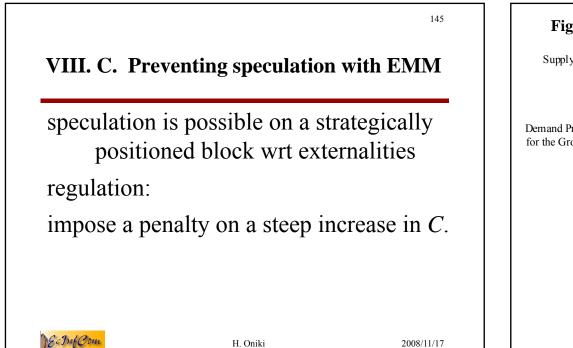


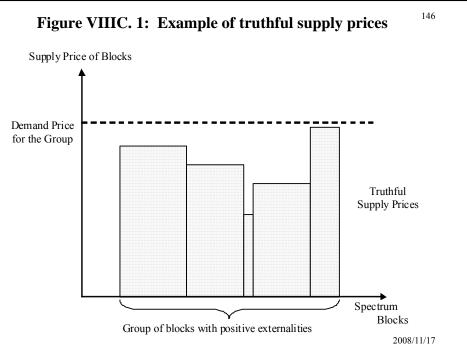
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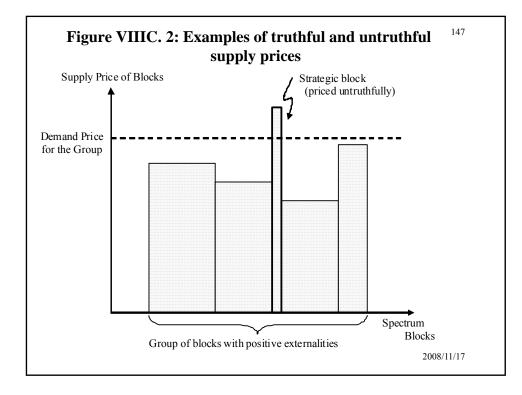
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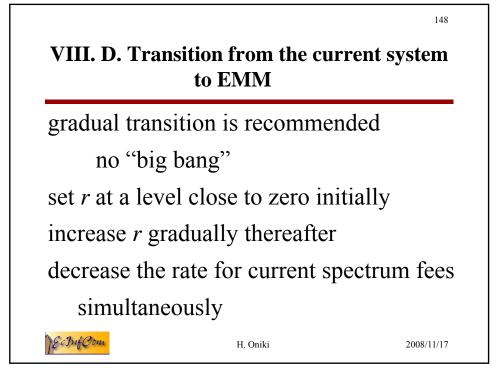


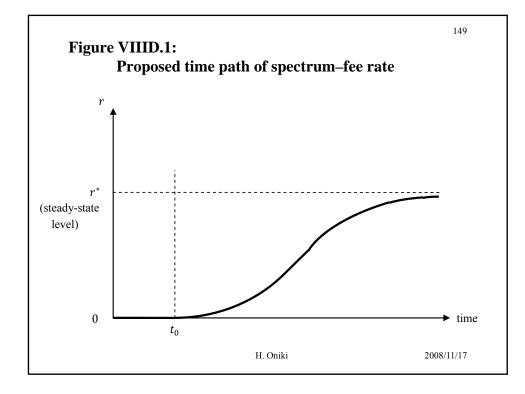


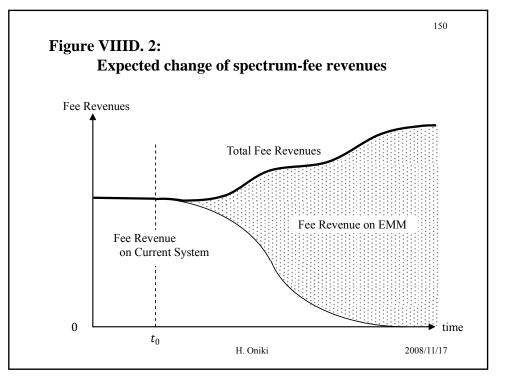












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