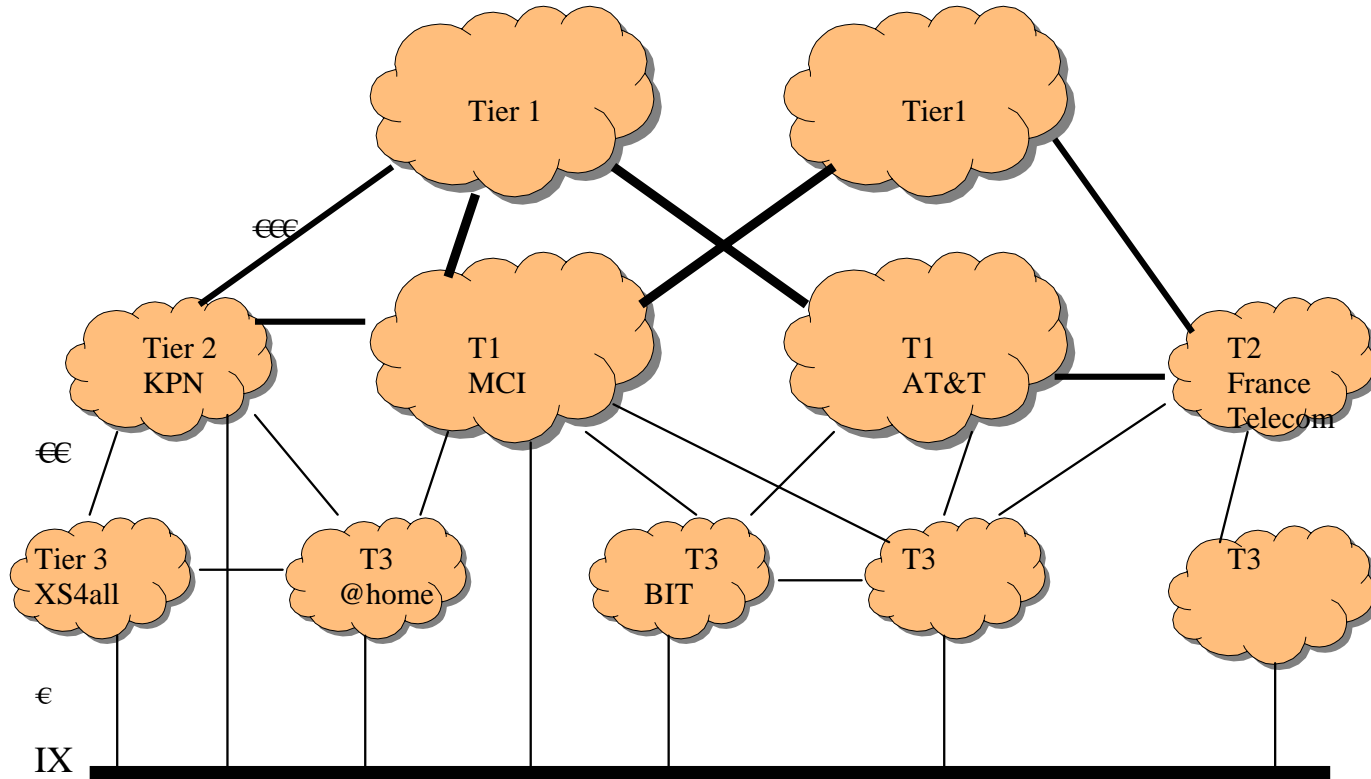


# What is an Internet exchange ?



- Tier1 networks, mostly global carriers, are highest in the Internet hierarchy, regional parties are called Tier 2 and national Tier 3 – all can interconnect at an Internet Exchange to exchange traffic directly