Fast Payment Systems: Evolving Use Cases and Overlay Services

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Launching a Fast Payments System

**Plan**
Identifying the problem, creating a shared vision, and securing buy-in from the market.

**Design**
Answering key questions about the proposed solution, including ownership/governance, economic incentives, and the operational model.

**Go-to-market**
Making the service available to customers, driving volumes, and **planning for ongoing innovation.**
Increasing volumes by adding new use cases and user experiences with overlay services

+++ Alias (Keys) | QR standards | TPP Initiation | Request To Pay
The 80 / 20 rule applies to fast payments volumes today

PIX is a good example that P2P and P2M use cases, with the right user experience, will provide most of the volume for a long time.
P2P and P2M builds the foundations for future use cases to re-use

Payment initiation

Clearing

Settlement

Alias (Keys)

Directory for alias resolution

Centralized settlement in Central Bank accounts

QR codes

A2A transfers

+ payee name confirmation
P2P (or P2M) using an alias

Alias can be an email, phone #, ID, alphanumeric or merchant ID
P2M (or P2P) using a static QR code

Step 1: Here’s my QR code.

Step 2: Customer’s bank authorizes and sends.

Step 3: IPS queries centralized directory to resolve alias and routes transaction

Static QR code contains account details or an alias
P2M (or P2P) using a dynamic QR code

Dynamic QR code also includes the amount to be paid
How are the P2P and P2M use cases being extended?

Third party payment initiation (TPP)

Customer links a bank or wallet account to a third-party app, and can then initiate and authorize fast payments without having to leave the third-party app.

Request to pay (RTP)

Merchant captures in their POS (an app) the payment details (payor + amount) and sends a message to the payor’s bank or wallet app to initiate and authorize the fast payment.
TPP payment initiation

**Step 1:**
Open PISP account, and register PISP account with account holder

**Step 2:**
Customer initiates payment in PISP app which relays instructions to account holder.

**Step 3:**
Customer’s bank authorizes and sends IPS

[Diagram showing the flow of payment initiation]
TPP app connection models

TPP connects to every bank or via an aggregator

TPP connects through a broker bank

TPP connects through the central infrastructure

TPP initiation connection models are often defined in Open Banking regimes

OPEN BANKING
UK and PSD2

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Issues to consider in TPP payment initiation

Payment authorization

• Redirect from TPP to bank app

• No redirect, embedded security module (using MPINs) linked to bank upon registration

How will scheme economics be managed? Will PISPs be charged fees by the scheme or banks?

What is the impact for customer pricing? Is the customer charged by both the PISP and bank?

How will PISP’s participate in governance and decision making in the scheme?
RTP messaging

Step 1: here's my address.

Step 2: merchant captures details.
- Customer address captured in app.
- Amount entered: $32.13

Step 3: Customer confirms and approves.
- Confirm merchant name and amount.
- PIN code entered.

Step 4: Customer’s bank authorizes and sends
- IPS

RTP Repository
RTP is not a payment initiation (like TPP) so messaging and domain resolution standards can be more open (e.g., using email standards for address resolution in RTP repositories in UK).
RTP for proximity (merchant / personal) payments

**CoDi** Request to Pay (Mexico)
- Acquirer (participant in SPEI) provides RTP app to merchant (or use Baxico’s app) which is used to capture payment details via QR/NFC and send request to payor app for approval.

**UPI** Collect Request (India)
- Send a request to VPA / Alias from UPI app, payor approves in UPI app

**InstaPay** Collect Request (Philippines)
- Send a request to mobile number or Alias from a bank app, payor approves in bank app
CoDi operational scheme

1. Seller prepares payment request by:
   - Showing static QR codes on products
   - Requesting payment through mobile (QR or NFC)
   - Banxico’s Internet Service

2. Buyer scans QR code or uses NFC to pay. Through app in his/her mobile, identifies account, confirms amount, and submits payment request.

3. Buyer’s bank receives transfer instruction with details (source account, target account, amount).

4. Buyer’s Bank contacts buyer to confirm transaction (authenticate client, mobile device).

5. Buyer’s bank transfers amount through traditional SPEI system.

6. Seller’s bank receives deposit in Seller’s account and sends message to Notification services to inform buyer and seller.

7. Notification Service sends confirmation/receipt.
RTP for remote (bill) payments

**Autopay** (India) [UPI]
- Merchants connect to an acquirer that offers Autopay allowing them to offer UPI payments in-app and set up recurring payment mandates with customers who approve/modify/revoke/pause through their UPI app.

**PayTo** (Australia) [PayTo]
- PayTo service providers help businesses with in-app, ecommerce, or subscription service payments, funding for digital wallets, buy now, pay later services, corporate payroll and for one off payments. Recurring mandates (with limits) are stored in a Mandate Management Service which can be viewed/edited/stopped by customers through their bank app.

**Variable Recurring Payments (VRPs)** (UK) [OPEN BANKING]

**Request to Pay** (UK) [Request to Pay]
- Gives billers the ability to request payment for a bill rather than simply sending an invoice. For each ‘request’, customers will be able to pay in full, pay in part, ask for more time, communicate with the biller, or decline to pay.
Use case: PayLater is a buy now, pay later solution that enables customers to pay for purchases in monthly installments.

PayTo agreement set up:
- Lily wants to sign up to be able to use a BNPL service. PayLater so she can spread the cost of her purchase over installments.
- Lily downloads PayLater’s app and signs up. She provides her banking details to be able to fund her purchases from her bank account.
- PayLater requests its payment service provider, Fast Payments, who is an NPP Connected Institution, to create a PayTo agreement for Lily in the MMS.
- Fast Payments creates a PayTo agreement in the Mandate Management Service (MMS) for Lily.
- Lily’s bank receives a notification from the MMS that a new PayTo agreement has been created and needs to be authorised by Lily.
- Lily, who is still in PayLater’s app, receives a notification to open her banking app to authorise the PayTo agreement for PayLater, which she does.
- Lily’s bank confirms authorisation of the PayTo agreement to the MMS.
- The MMS sends a notification back to Fast Payments to say the PayTo agreement has been authorised. Fast Payments may provide a notification back to PayLater.

Payment initiation:
- Lily is later making a purchase online. At checkout, she selects to pay using PayLater.
- PayLater funds Lily’s purchase with the merchant and then instructs Fast Payments to send a payment initiation request for Lily’s first monthly installment payment.
- Fast Payments makes an API call to the MMS to validate the PayTo agreement record and that the payment initiation request is within the terms of the PayTo agreement. Validation is successful and Fast Payments sends the payment initiation request to Lily’s bank.
- Lily’s bank receives the payment initiation request, validates it and responds in real-time to Fast Payments accepting the payment request. Lily’s bank sends an NPP credit transfer in real-time to PayLater’s account at their bank. Confirmation of the payment outcome is sent back to Fast Payments.
- PayLater’s bank processes the payment and credits the payment to PayLater’s account.
- PayLater receives confirmation from Fast Payments that Lily’s first installment has been paid.
- Lily can see in her banking app and in the PayLater app that her first installment has been paid.

Source: NPPA
Request to Pay UK operational scheme

1. Billers will be able to send regular bills and one-off requests for money using request to pay. A biller can be a company, organisation or individual.

2. Payers can choose from five different options:
   - Pay all
   - Pay part
   - Request extension
   - Decline
   - Send a message

3. Billers can then either:
   - Choose whether to grant an extension
   - Discuss further
   - Close request once full payment received

Source: Pay.UK

*Please note: Request to pay does not change the payer’s legal obligations*
ISO20022 has >1,400 data fields available in the clearing message, allowing additional data to be carried end-to-end together with the payment for uses such as e-invoicing, reconciliations, reporting and financial crime prevention.

Source: NPPA
Issues to consider in P2B/G (bill) payments

• Payment gateways are often connected to payment systems
  • Government payment: Tanzania, Jordan, FAWATEER.com
  • Bill payment: India, Australia, Ghana

• Commercial implications - moving from billers and utilities having multiple banking relationships to one (bank or payment gateway), scheme economics to allow for reasonable revenue sharing.

• Customer service implications - more burden on businesses and governments to provide call centers and open APIs.
G/B2P payments via bulk file processing

From submitting multiple individual payment orders through the instant payment system

To submitting a bulk payment file to the instant payment system to process the individual transfers
G2P programs are increasingly designed to offer customer choice

Governments have historically relied on a single financial institution to disburse G2P funds in cash. Two disruptions have changed G2P over the last decade – firstly Digitalization and secondly Choice.

- **G2P 1.0**
  - Single Program to Single Provider
  - Cash Based/Semi Digital

- **G2P 2.0**
  - Single Program to Single Provider
  - Digital

- **Disruption 1**

- **G2P 2.1**
  - Multiple Programs to Multiple Providers
  - Digital

- **G2P 3.0**
  - Single Program to Multiple Providers
  - Digital

- **Disruption 2**

- **G2P 4.0**
  - Multiple Programs to Multiple Providers
  - Digital

- **Choice**

- **No Choice for recipient**

- **Choice for recipient**

- **Account-Based => Access to formal Financial Services**
Governments are leveraging new digital infrastructures to enable choice.
G2P payments via Instant Payment Systems

- **Government agency**
- **G2P Program’s Bank**
- **Instant Payment System**
- **Recipient’s account holder**
- **Recipient**

**Flow of funds**
- Transfer instructions
- Flow of funds

**Transfers to individual accounts**
This model is found in markets with large closed loop providers, e.g., mobile money providers.
CICO – Agent Network Managers (ANM)

Selcom Paypoint Agents in Tanzania
CICO – Agent Interoperability through an Instant Payment System

Agent Banking Company (ABC) in Uganda

PIX Withdraw in Brasil
CICO – ANMs can join the IPS

Shared Agent Network Expansion Facilities (SANEF) in Nigeria – connected to NIBSS
IMT providers connected to National Instant Payment Systems

NPP Australia [roadmap](#) item to be launched in December 2023.

This is not the same as regional instant payment schemes such as found in the Southern African Development Community (SADC) and in the Single Euro Payments Area (SEPA), or the P27 payment system in the Nordics.
Each new use case brings new elements

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Some closing thoughts

There are several new use cases which can fill an innovation roadmap, but it is important to embed the foundational use cases and infrastructure which will still bring 80% of the volumes.

Implementing overlay services is more than just changing a few flows in the Instant Payment System – new messaging standards are needed (e.g., TPP, RTP), new infrastructure may be needed (e.g., Mandate services, Mappers) and customer interfaces must be updated (e.g., TPP, P2B, CICO).

New use cases can disrupt existing business models and the scheme economics should be updated to ensure incentives are balanced and customers receive the service they need.
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