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- Issues of scale few users
- International Gateway bottlenecks
- Licensing fees and duties
- Monopoly carrier (de-facto, often)
- Poor design

And many more reasons...







































Studying ICT4D	
 Nascent discipline High visibility, e.g., WSIS – World Summit on the Information Society Lots of good intentions Lots of Hype 	
 More questions than answers Does technology exacerbate or mitigate existing divides (gender, age, rural/urban, etc.)? Are cell-phones the answer to the digital divide? How to we manage universal service for connectivity? Are sensors for water cost-effective for agriculture? 	
Can be approached from many perspectives (disciplines), using many tools	
 Must be rigorous, scientific, and, hopefully, meaningful Basic AND applied research 	20

















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