What's the difference between freespeech and Skype?

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The main difference between freespeech and Skype is that Skype uses a non-standard method for it's communications, freespeech uses SIP which is the worlds most popular standard for VOIP (Voice Over IP).

There some advantages and disadvantages when comparing Skype to freespeech.

- 1. Skype is better at getting across firewalls and NAT's
- 2. Skype users can only call other Skype users for free Freespeech users can call any other SIP provider for free (if the other provider permits it).
- 3. If you buy hardware with freespeech it can be re-used with any other broadband phone company using SIP.
- 4. Freespeech has more competitive call rates when dialling out to PSTN.
- 5. Freespeech is more suitable as a home phone replacement/supplement.
- 6. The voice quality with freespeech is typically better (this is dependant on codec and conditions).
- 7. A FREE freespeech account can be reached from traditional phone lines.