P2P File Sharing

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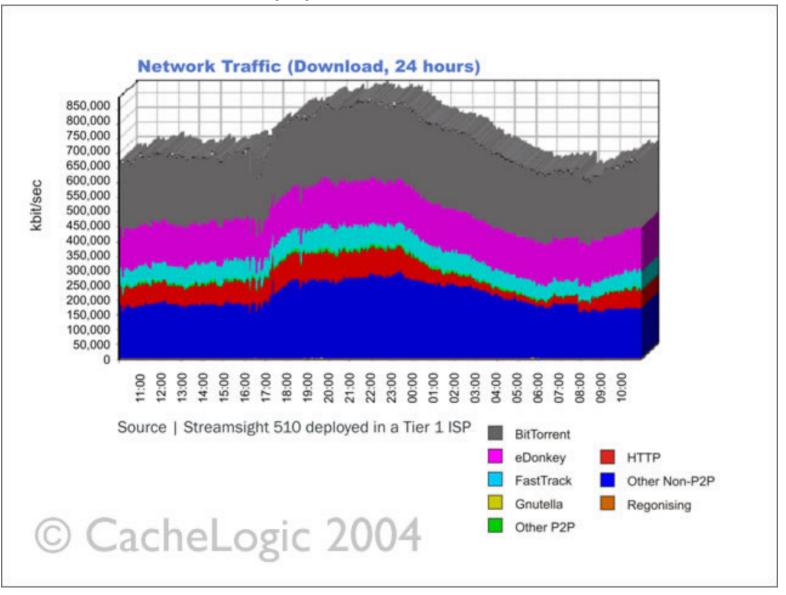
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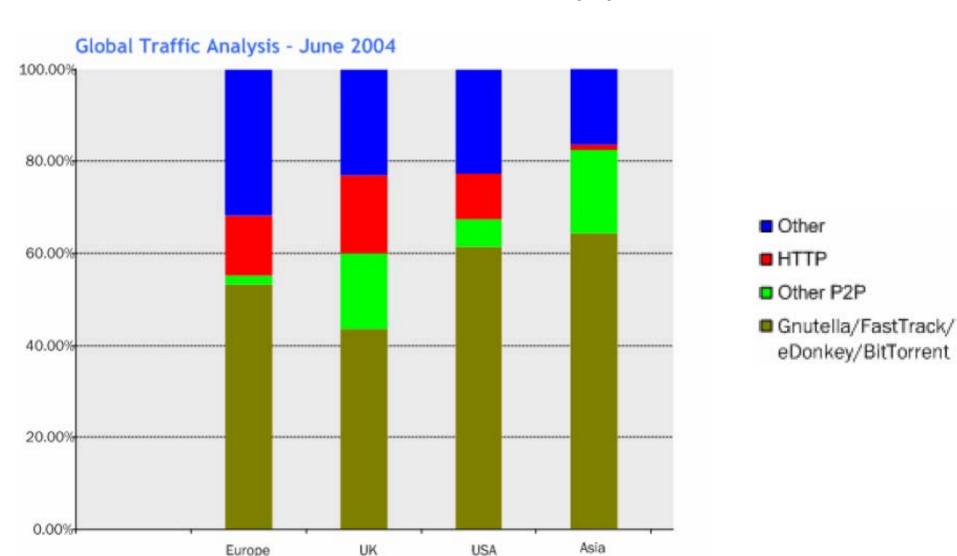
Outline

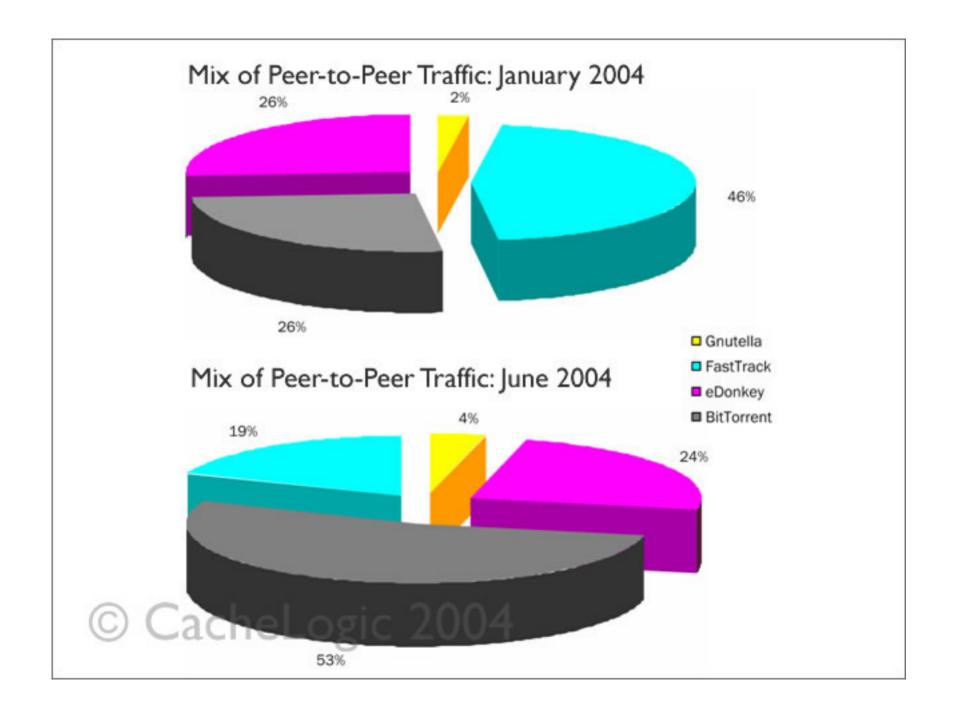
- P2P Landscape
- Overview of
 - Napster
 - FastTrack
 - BitTorrent
- Pollution in File Sharing
- The Untapped Resources

Traffic Volumes



Global Traffic

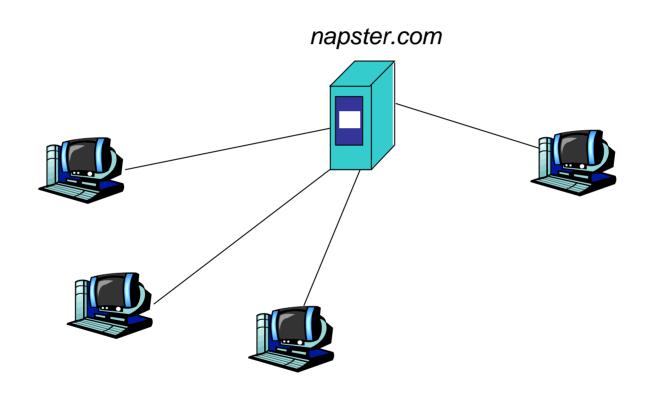




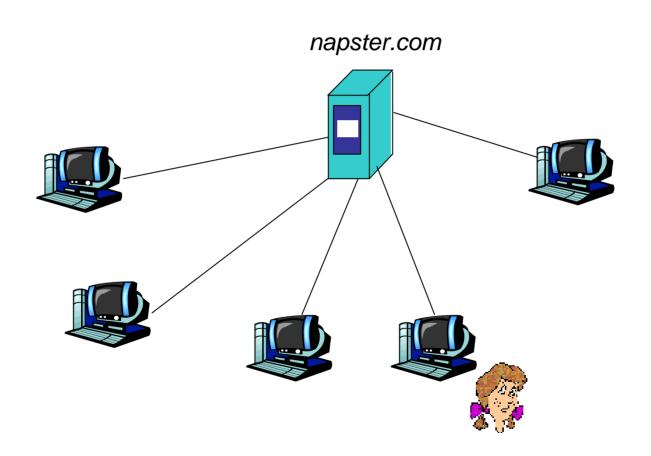
Napster

circa 2000

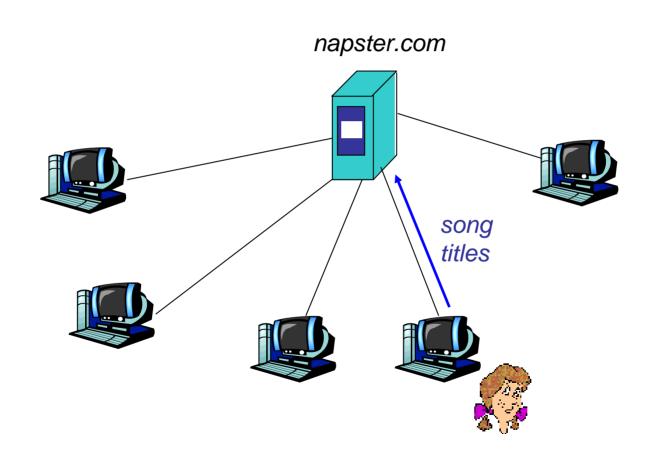
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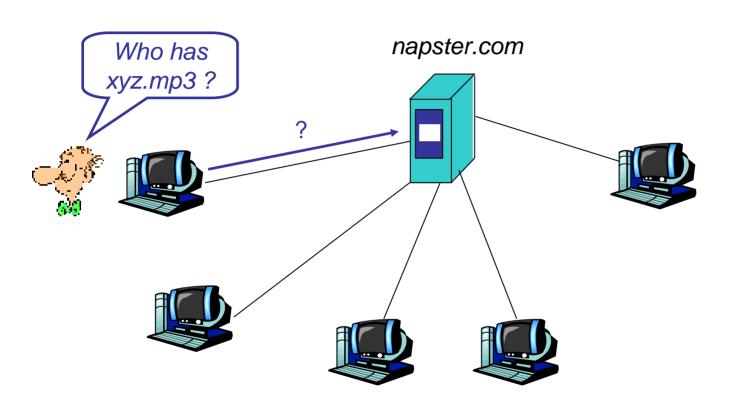
2. Alice Joins



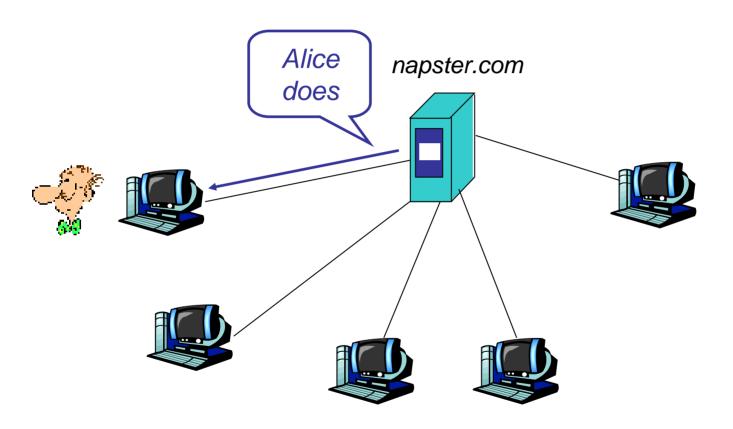
3. Alice provides her titles



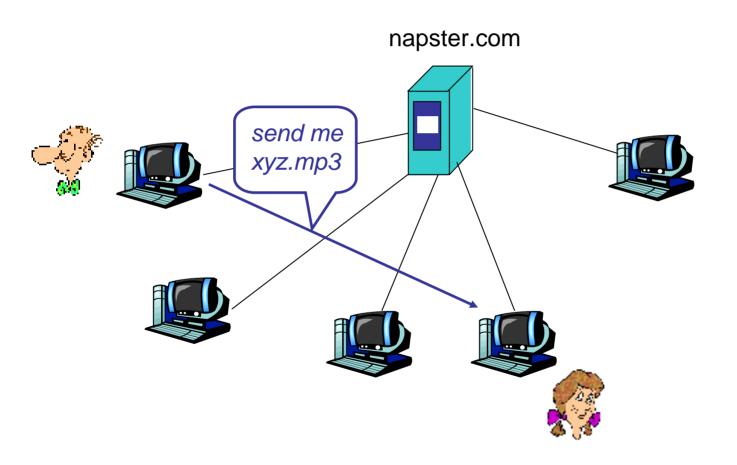
4. Bob Queries



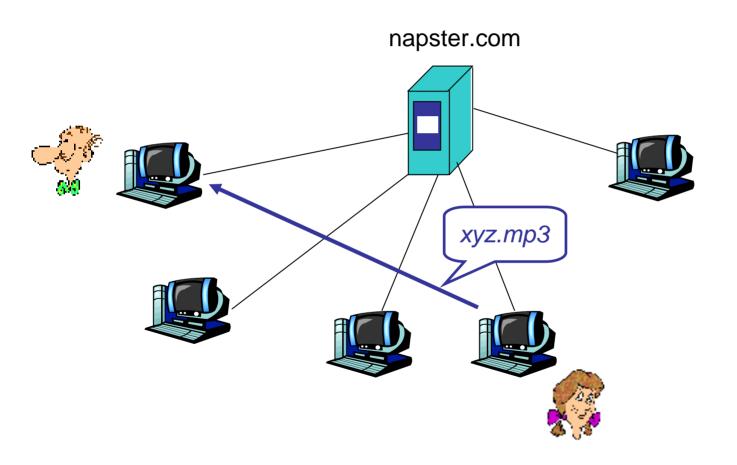
5. Server Responds



6. Bob requests file



7. Alice provides file



FastTrack Network

Supports many user programs:

- · Kazaa (Sharman)
- Grokster
- iMesh
- · kazaa-lite

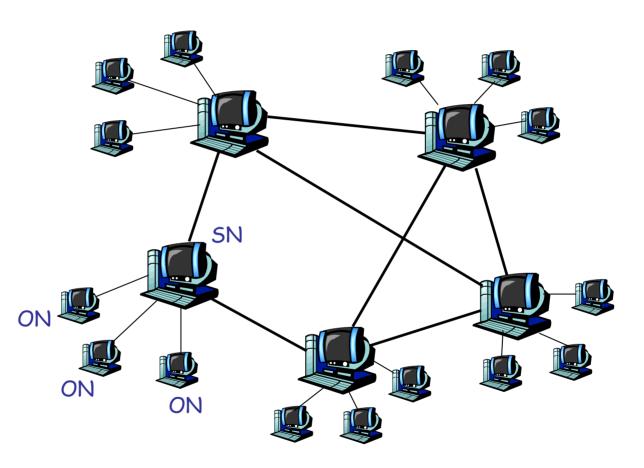
Supports arbitrary file types:

 audio, video, documents, games, software

FastTrack Overlay

ON = ordinary node

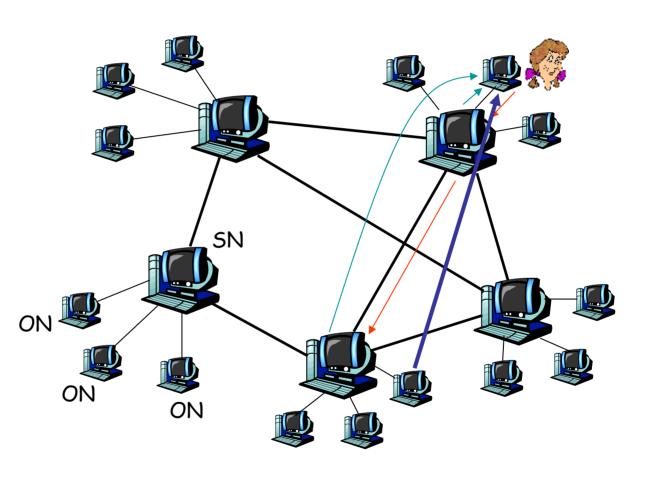
SN = super node



FastTrack Operation

ON = ordinary node

SN = super node



What is P2P File Sharing?

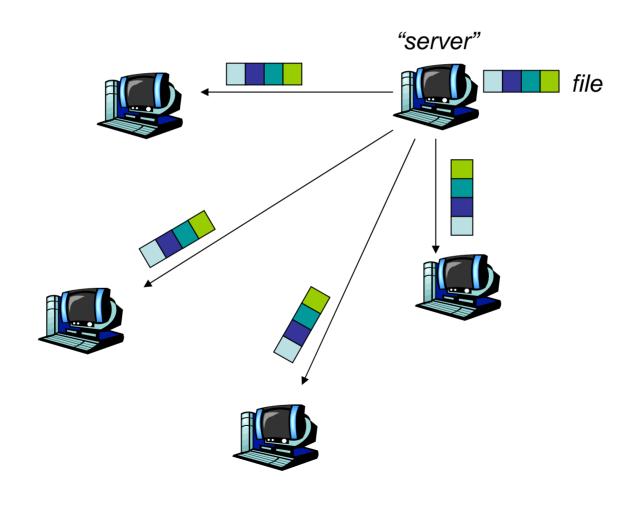
- Distributed software application
 - running in users' computers (peers)
- Allowing a group of users to pool their files
 - distributed pool
- Allowing users in group search the pooled files
 - with keywords
- Allowing users in group to download discovered files
 - from peer to peer

BitTorrent

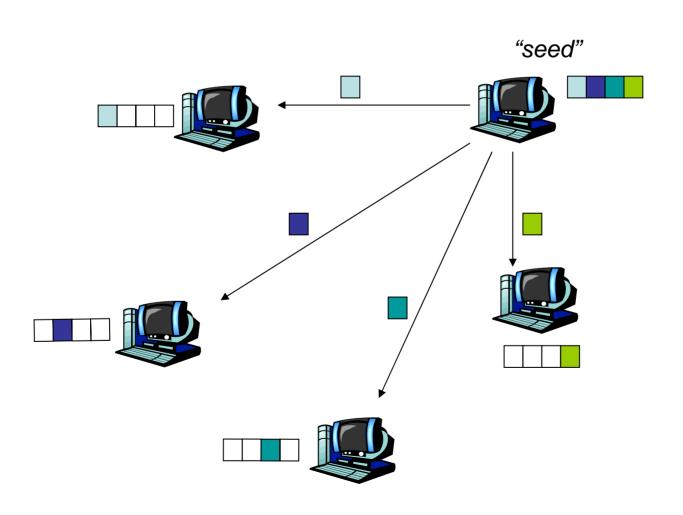
circa now

- Not sharing files
- Instead peers helping one other obtain a particular file

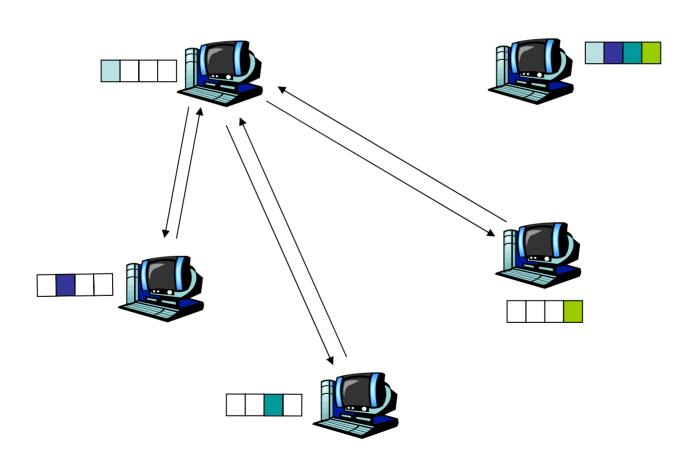
Client-Server File Distribution



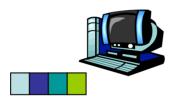
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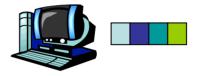


2. BT File Distribution

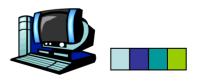


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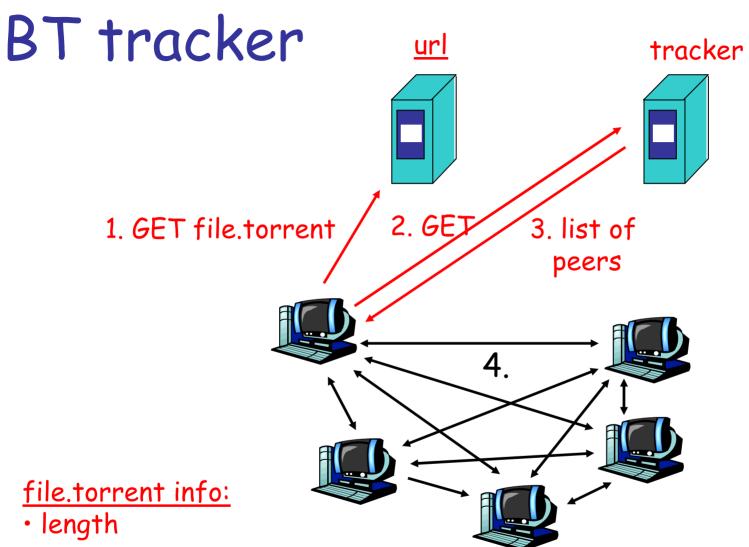












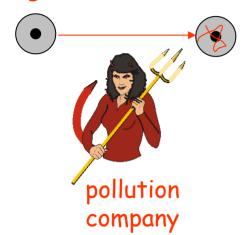
- · name
- · hash
- · url of tracker



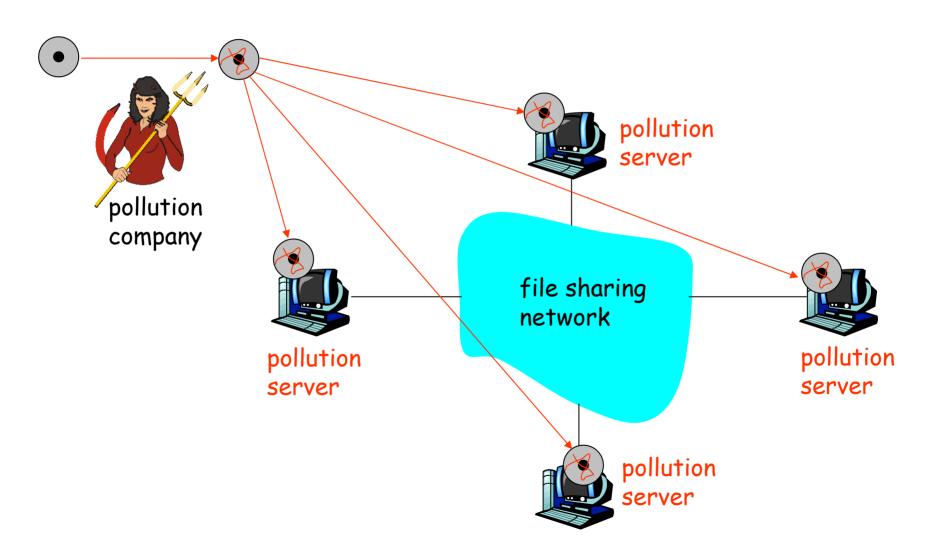
Pollution in P2P File Sharing Systems

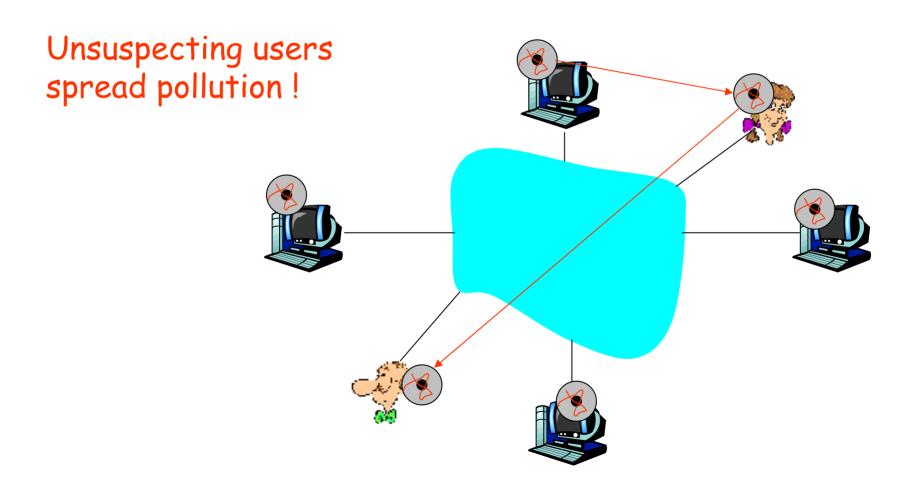
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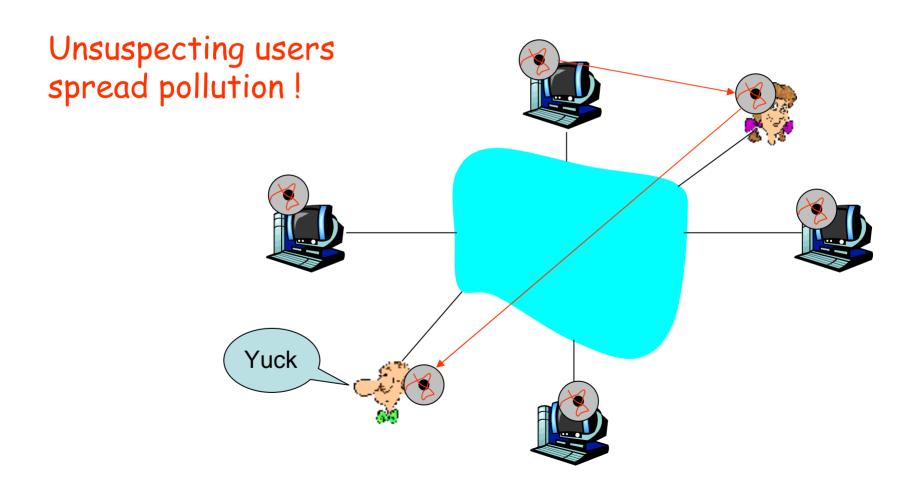
original content



polluted content



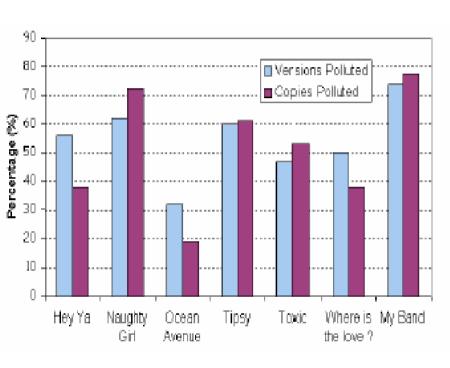




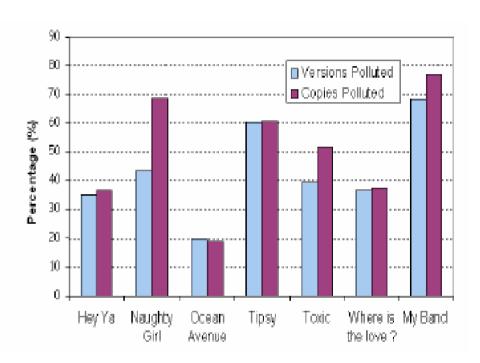
Results for 7 test songs

SONG TITLE	NUMBER OF VERSIONS	NUMBER OF COPIES	α
Naughty Girl	26,715	631,387	0.80672
Ocean Avenue	8,000	174,106	0.80339
Where is the Love?	48,613	448,987	1.0215
Hey Ya	46,926	734,108	0.86035
Toxic	38,992	650,529	0.86135
Tipsy	32,893	853,688	0.77721
My Band	49,447	1,816,663	0.82019

Pollution Results



top 100 versions



top 500 versions

The Untapped Resources

- · All those computers in homes & offices
 - With gigabytes of unused storage
 - With gigahertz of unused CPU
 - With megabits/sec of unused bandwidth



An Observation

- Microsoft could bundle in its next release a P2P application,
- allowing communities of users to form and
 - pool their files
 - search through those files
 - download those files
- But they won't in the current judicial/legislative climate.

The Untapped Resources



File sharing is the first step!