

Introduction to File Sharing Services

An IT-Forensic Examination of P2P Clients





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What is File Sharing – P2P?

The expression peer-to-peer is especially used within the field of data communication to describe communication or the direct exchange of data between equal units of a communication network, without involving a central computer. The expression “P2P” or file sharing is used for the same form of communication as well.

Apart from the above-mentioned, it may be added, that the users of file sharing programmes are connected to each other in a larger network, that works more or less autonomously. As a consequence of this, it is not possible immediately afterwards to carry out an investigation in this environment, since the communication lines are interrupted at log-out of the programme and the connection is disconnected. This again means, that no log-outs are generated elsewhere, but only between the involved parties. There are, however, several file sharing programmes that contain internal log files, which may give information about files downloaded earlier and which files have been available for sharing and so on.

The programmes work in such a way that you, during installation, define a folder as being “shared” with other users of file sharing services (it is not necessary to make use of the same file sharing programme – as long as the programme is active in the same network – typically Gnutella Network, eD2k Network or Fast Track Network). The content of this shared folder is available to all the other users, just as they are able to run searches of the content. In some programmes it is possible to “switch off” the file sharing function, which means that files cannot be downloaded from the computer.

In order to explain the functionality of file sharing programmes, you have to metaphorically compare a film file to a jigsaw, for example. All the users of the file sharing programmes place a number of “jigsaws” at the disposal of all the other users of the file sharing service/network (the files in their shared folders).

When a user searches the network for a certain file – the film “Titanic”, for instance – the user will be told which users have the file in question. Our user may click on a file corresponding to his wish and then start downloading the file. He is not restricted to one single user, but can download from several different users that have the desired file. The programme now gets pieces for the complete jigsaw from several other users at the same time and the final result will be gathered



together at our user's computer. This functionality ensures, that the individual users' bandwidth is not burdened too much, just as the user is not immediately affected when individual remote users shut down and close their connection.

The History of File Sharing – in Short

Ever since the infancy of computers, there has been a need for exchanging files between several computers and users. In the beginning no actual storage medias existed, which meant that if any information should be transferred from one computer to another, everything had to be typed in manually. Later on, the first magnetic storage medias arrived and these could contain data, but were very difficult to move around. Later on, the punch card was a reality and you were suddenly able to print cards that could be read into another computer – a difficult, but usable method.

By the introduction of the floppy disk and the magnetic tape unit, the sharing of files became much easier, but the spreading of files still went very slowly, since the files had to be moved physically from one place to another.

With the rising popularity of the Internet in the beginning of the nineties, the ordinary user quickly figured out that it was possible to download and send files to each other through the network, **even though you were both sitting on each side of the Earth.**

USENET was the first network in which you could actually share files with many other unknown users; in everyday speech this is referred to as newsgroups. Here it became possible to post smaller files that other users then could download. Newsgroups are still being used, but not quite to such an extent as they have been.

In the start of the nineties it also became very popular to set up FTP servers. By using an ordinary FTP client, you could log on a server and download the content that was available. The FTP server's popularity soon fell, because different intellectual property rights holders could easily identify the owner of the server and thus claim large sums in compensation from him. Today, FTP servers are seldom seen.

At the same time as the FTP servers appeared, the IRC also started gaining ground. Especially the client mIRC became very popular, as it was possible to develop script extensions for the programme, by which you could set up the so-called file server (F server), a bit like the FTP servers. mIRC is still being used for file sharing.



In the end nineties, the first modern file sharing programme, Napster, came into existence. This service worked in such a way, that a number of central indexing servers registered the content of all users in the network and their files. However, in 2001, the service was sued by, amongst others, Lars Ulrich from the band Metallica. The legal actions lead to the closure of Napster.

Same year, the next generation of file sharing services appeared. This generation was no longer dependent on central servers, but was a so-called distributed system, in which all requests went through other clients connected to the network, without involving central servers.

The first distributed client was KaZaA. Through KaZaA it now became possible to share other things than music files and it was very easy to make use of. The programme became a huge success and you quickly had up to several million users in the network at the same time. In the time after, a number of different clients were developed.

In 2002, the client eMule saw the light of day. eMule was a further development of the client eDonkey 2000, which was made by a group of programmers getting tired of the client eDonkey2000. eMule became an open-source programme and many people could now participate in the improvement of the client.

Since then, many new versions of eMule and other file sharing clients have been developed.



Networks

The different file sharing services often make use of their own network protocols, which is why you sometimes have to have specific clients in order to act in a specific network. However, many clients have started to become so-called multi-network-clients, which means that they can operate in different networks at the same time. That way the user gets more search options and search hits.

Many different networks exist, a number of them are listed below:

eD2K
KAD
Gnutella
FastTrack
BitTorrent
Freenet
I2P
AntsP2P

and many more...

The first 5 networks mentioned on the list are open and unencrypted, whereas the last 3 are encrypted networks.

As mentioned earlier, many clients are written to operate in several networks. eMule, for instance, is able to connect to eD2K, KAD, Gnutella and BitTorrent.

As it appears, encrypted networks also exist. These are not that popular, since the clients are not as straight forward to use as the unencrypted clients and the network is very slow, just as there are not nearly as many files available in these networks.

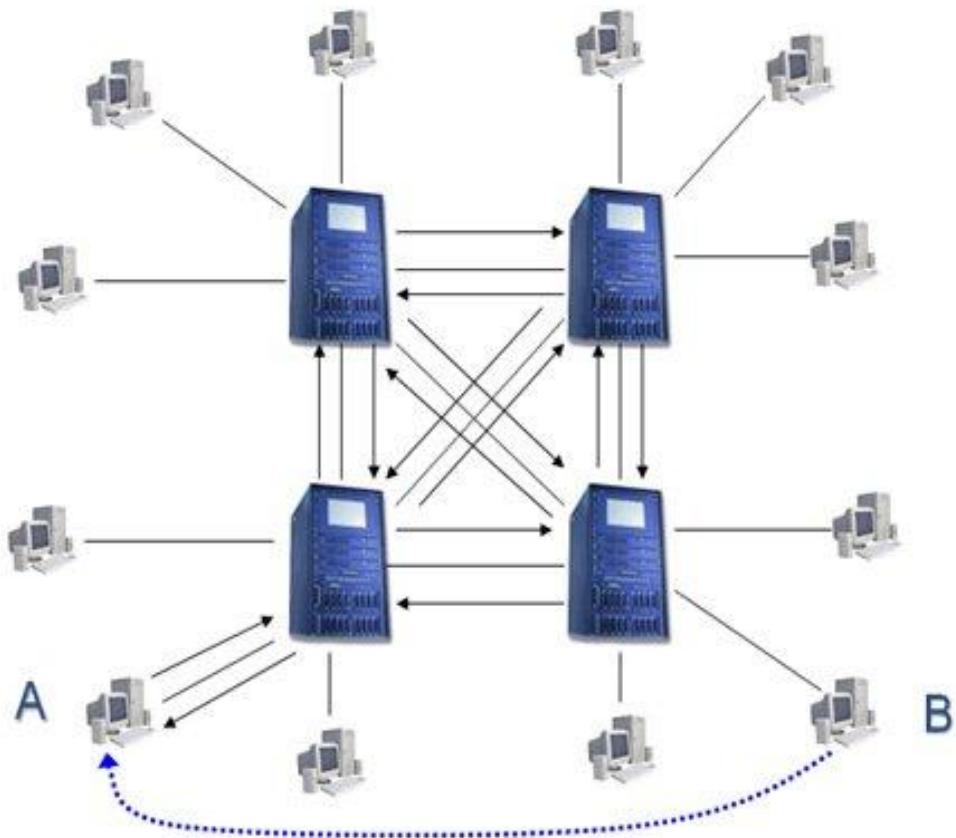
The individual networks, of course, have different topologies and these will be described in the next paragraph.

Network Topologies

First-generation networks

Centralized networks (Napster, for instance).

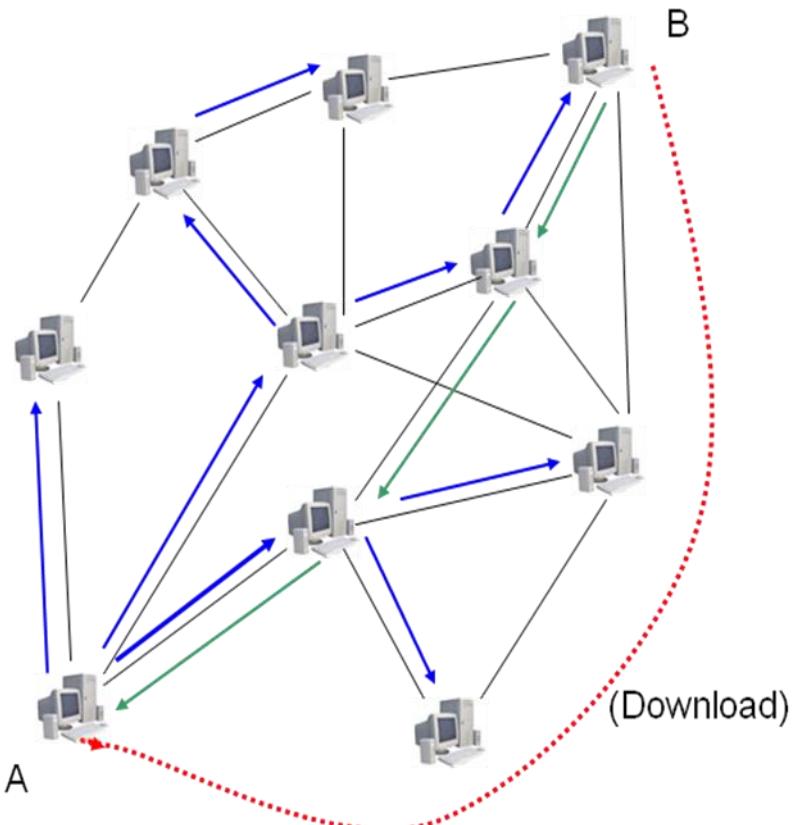
First-generation network architecture was based on a number of centralized indexing servers, which kept up a data base on all clients logged in and their shared files. The database was updated every time a client logged on to the network.



Second-generation networks

Decentralized networks (KaZaA, for instance).

Second-generation networks implemented a fully decentralized and distributed network-structure. Instead of central servers, the individual user's PC now formed an integral part of the network, since it acted, and still acts, both as an indexing server, carries out local searches and carries out routings of requests between the different clients.



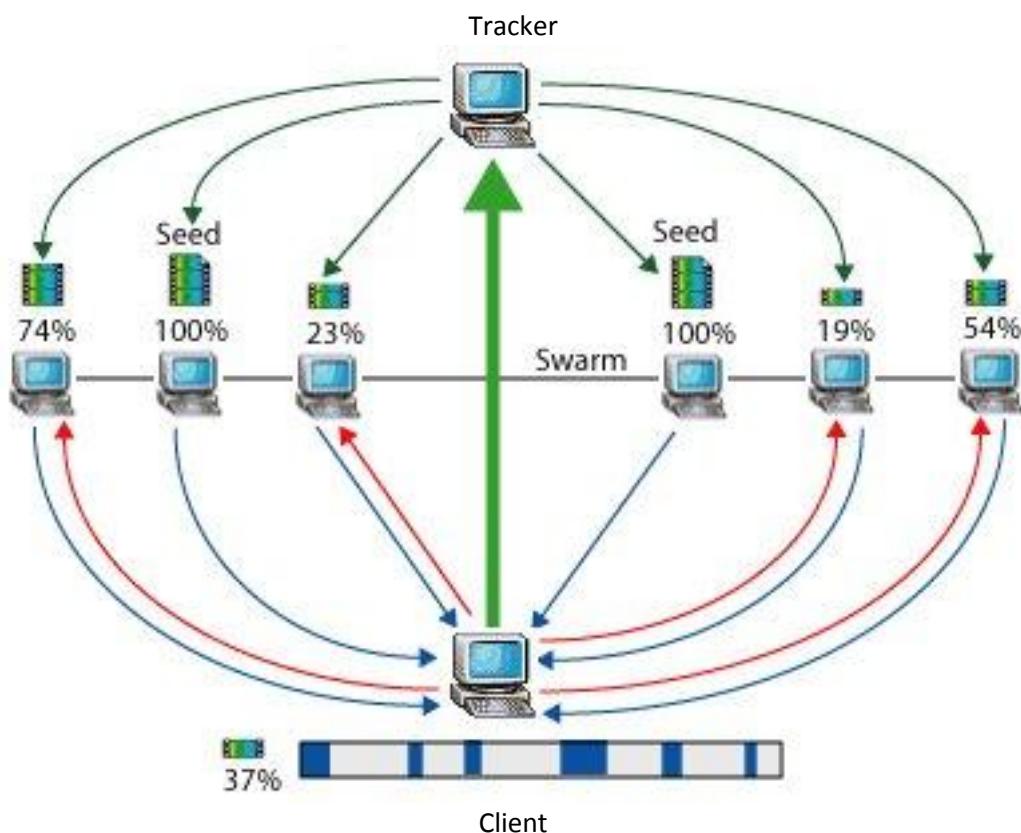
Third- generation networks

Encrypted networks (Ants, for instance).

These networks are based on the same topology as second-generation networks, but are encrypted.

Fourth-generation networks

The BitTorrent network is based on a “partly decentralized network”, in the way that you download a so-called “.torrent” file through a homepage. Through your client you are then connected to a “tracker”, which is a server keeping track of the different files that are available. Files found complete, are called “seeds” and the tracker sends information about where you can download the file. Downloading takes place from the complete seeds, whereas the parts missing in the incomplete files are being uploaded to the clients at the same time. BitTorrent is based on the principle of “tit-for-tat” and it is impossible to disconnect this “share” function.





Clients

In the following paragraphs, I will go through the different file sharing clients.

Below there is a list of clients, which at present form a part of this material:

- **eMule**
- **LimeWire**



eMule

The text given below has been taken directly from eMule's official homepage on www.emule-project.org.

What is eMule?

At dawn of May 13th, 2002, a guy called Merkur was dissatisfied with the original eDonkey2000 client and was convinced he could do better. So he did. He gathered other developers around him, and eMule project was born. Their aim was to put the client back on track where eDonkey had been famous before, adding tons of new features and a nice GUI. They couldn't imagine what impact this decision would have...

As of today, eMule is one of the biggest and most reliable peer-to-peer file sharing clients around the world. Thanks to its open source policy, many developers are able to contribute to the project, making the network more efficient with each release.

What does eMule mean?

The name "eMule" comes from an animal called "Mule", which is somehow similar to a donkey. ;-)

How often is eMule updated?

eMule is not updated regularly, but at the moment the frequencies are between 1 and 3 months. Don't take this for guaranteed.

A short list of eMule's features

Clients use several networks to create one reliable network (ED2K, Source Exchange, Kad).

Kad has now been implemented and versions 0.48 onwards connect automatically to Kad.

eMule's "Queue and Credit" system helps to ensure that everyone will get the file he wants by promoting those that upload back to the network.



eMule is completely free. eMule is also completely free of any Adware, Spyware and etc. We do this for fun and knowledge, not for money.

Each file is checked for corruptions while downloading to ensure an error free file

The eMules Intelligent Corruption Control helps to speed up the correction of corrupted parts.

Auto priorities and Source management allows you to start many downloads without having to monitor them.

The Preview function allows you to look at your videos and archives (zip, rar and so on) before they are completed. For video previewing, we recommend the Video Lan Client (VLC).

The eMule features web services and a web server that allows you to have quick access to and from the Internet.

You can create categories for your downloads to organize them.

To find the file you want, eMule offers a wide range of search possibilities which include: Servers (local and global), web based (Jigle and Filedonkey) and Kad (still in Alpha).

eMule also allows you to use very complex Boolean searches that make the searches much more flexible.

With the messaging and friend system, you can send messages to other clients and add them as friends. In your friend list, you can always see if a friend is online.

With the built-in IRC client, you can chat with other downloaders and chatters around the globe.

The files used in eMule

While eMule is performed a large number of files are being used. If they do not exist already, they will be made the first time eMule is started. Most of the files will be found in eMule's "Config" folder, whereas the rest will be found either in eMule's "Temp" folder or in the installation folder.

Known.met

The "Known.met" file contains information about all files eMule has downloaded. Information about size, file name, hash sets, hash values and some statistics are saved for each file.



Known2_64.met

The “Known2_64.met” file saves information about hash values for each file in connection with eMule’s AICH (Advanced Intelligent Corruption Handler).

Clients.met

This file saves all users, which have credit at your eMule.

Clients.met.bak

This file contains a backup of the above-mentioned file.

Server.met

Contains all known servers.

Webservices.dat

In this file you have the possibility to build in functionality in eMule, in relation to homepages. The file can be opened by a text editor such as Notepad and contains an explanation about the functionality.

Statistics.ini

This file contains all statistics shown in eMule’s statistics window.

Emfriends.met

If there are any users added to eMule’s friend list, they are being saved in this file.

Preferences.ini

All settings made in eMule’s “Settings” are saved here, just as information about the user interface, such as width of columns etc.

Fileinfo.ini

Comments or evaluations of your own shared files.

Category.ini

Saves the settings for your categories such as name, comments and choice of colour.

Ipfilter.dat

This file contains IP areas as well as access levels that have to be filtered by eMule. You can find more information about IP filtration on <http://www.emuleguides.dk/support.php?id=18>

Onlinesig.dat

The online signature is a small file containing the server eMule is connected to, as well as statistics on uploads and downloads. It can be used in IRC scripts and pictures for signatures.



Preferences.dat

The user hash is saved here. It is a value that is computed the first time eMule is started up and it is used to identify the client on the network. It is used for the credit system and for friends.

Sharedir.dat

Contains the paths for all shared files.

cancelled.met

Contains information about the files you have cancelled.

Staticservers.dat

Static servers never change IP address and are, in theory, always online on the network. By right-clicking on a server, you may add servers to this list.

Addresses.dat

eMule updates its server list when the programme starts up, if the file contains correct addresses for “server.met” files. In eMule’s “Settings -> Servers”, there is a button that gives you the option to edit this list and change the settings for updating at start up. The file can contain several addresses (one for each line), but only the first line that has a correct address to a “server.met” file will be used.

AC_SearchStrings.dat

Each search expression used in eMule is saved in this file

AC_ServerMetURLs.dat

The same principles as the above-mentioned file, except that this file saves typed addresses for “server.met” files.

AC_BootstrapIPs

The same principles as the above-mentioned file, except that this file saves typed IP addresses for the use of bootstrap in the Kad network.

Cryptkey.dat

Contains the unique 384bit private RSA key for your eMule client.

eMule.tpl

The files with the extension “.tpl” are necessary if you want to make use of eMule’s web interface. They define layout and settings of the shown pages.

xxx.part

The files with the extension “.part” are downloads in eMule that are not yet finished. eMule downloads from more than one user at a time, which means that the “.part” files always have the



size of the final download. The missing parts are zerofilled. In the newer versions, and when using the NTFS file system, you have the option to share your incomplete downloads as “sparse”. This counteracts the mentioned process and therefore saves space on your hard disk.

xxx.part.met

Each “.part” file has a “.part.met” file belonging to it. In order to identify downloads on the network and check for errors all downloads are divided into parts of 9,28MB (9500 bytes). For each part a so-called hash value is computed. After that a new hash value is computed for all the hash value parts. This information, together with file name and status of all the different hash'es, is saved in “.part.met” files.

xxx.part.met.BAK

A backup of each “.part.met” file is generated and saved, since it is critical if these files become corrupt by a mistake.

eMule.log

The log, you can see in the server window, is saved here if the window is activated in eMule’s “Settings -> Advanced”.

eMule_Debug.log

The debug_log, you can see in the server window, is saved here if the window is activated in eMule’s “Settings -> Advanced”.

Information about file sharing

From the “FAQ” on the official homepage, the following appears about sharing files and folders:

How can I delete / unshare files

eMule shares files as soon as:

- a download's part (chunk) has been completed and checked for errors
- they are in the folder for *Incoming Files* or are marked as shared in *Preferences -> Directories -> Shared Directories*

To remove a share you must move the files out of your incoming or folders marked as shared. In the main windows Shared files you can also delete files by using right mouse button -> *Delete*. Sharing current downloads cannot be disabled.

Notice that the share function cannot be switched off, as regards the folders created by the system!!!

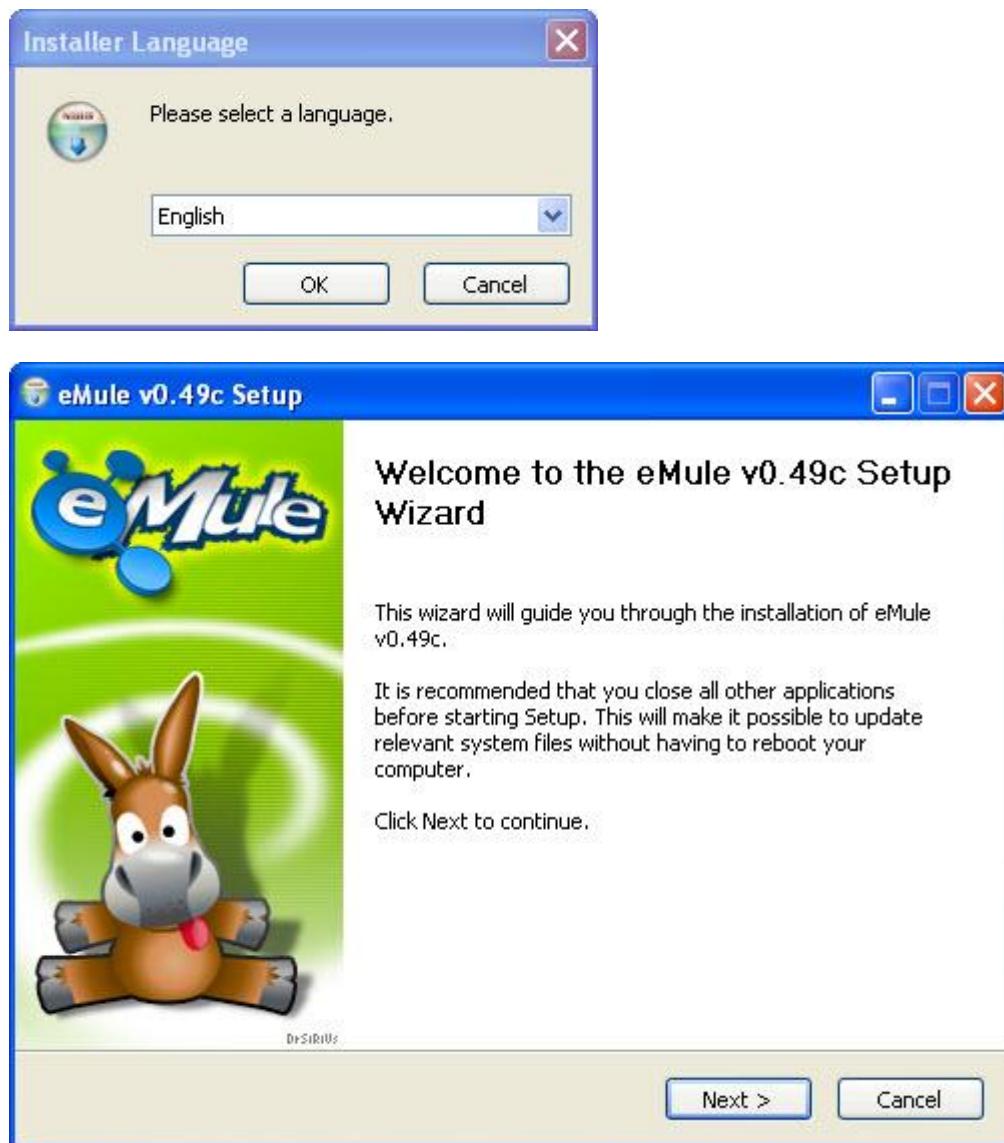
(http://www.emule-project.net/home/perl/help.cgi?l=1&rm=show_topic&topic_id=311#unshare)



The Installation of eMule

The actual installation file for the newest eMule client is found on the official homepage www.emule-project.org, where the page has been set up in several languages – including Danish. As of today, version 0.49c (June, 2009) is the latest addition.

Below you can see all displays from a standard installation of version 0.49c:





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eMule v0.49c Setup

License Agreement

Please review the license terms before installing eMule v0.49c.

Press Page Down to see the rest of the agreement.

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Version 2, June 1991

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Preamble
The licenses for most software are designed to take away your freedom to share and

If you accept the terms of the agreement, click I Agree to continue. You must accept the
agreement to install eMule v0.49c.

eMule Installation

< Back I Agree Cancel

eMule v0.49c Setup

Choose Components

Choose which features of eMule v0.49c you want to install.

Check the components you want to install and uncheck the components you don't want to
install. Click Next to continue.

Select components to install:

Program Files
 Take Ed2k-Links

Description
Position your mouse
over a component to
see its description.

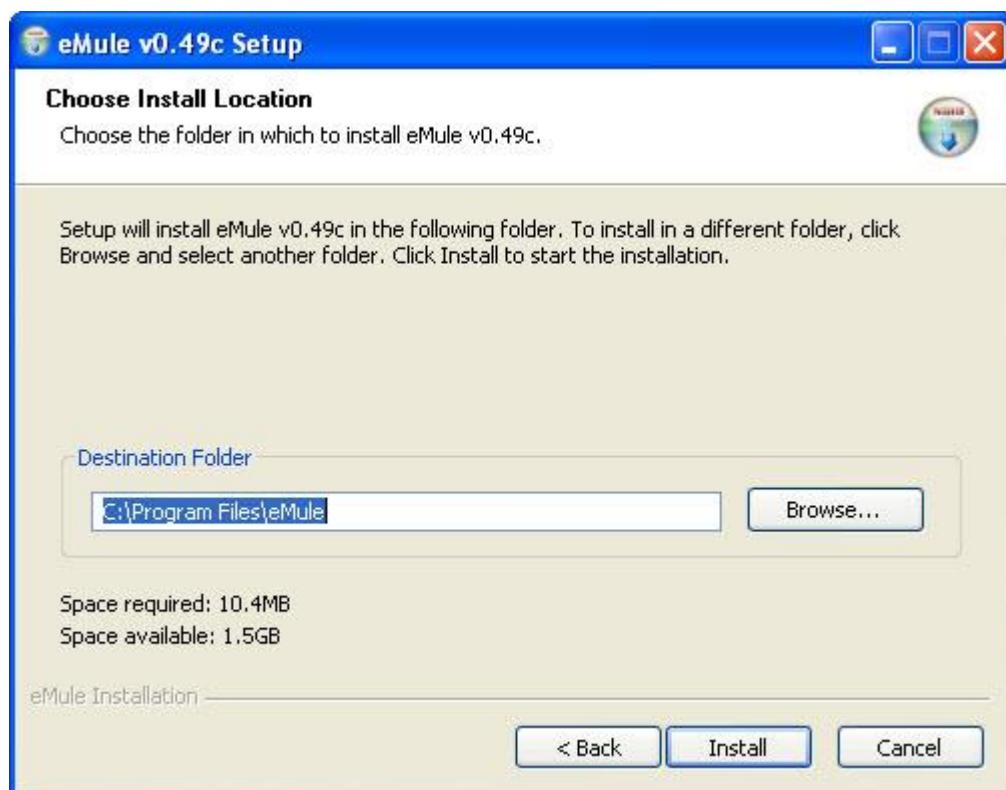
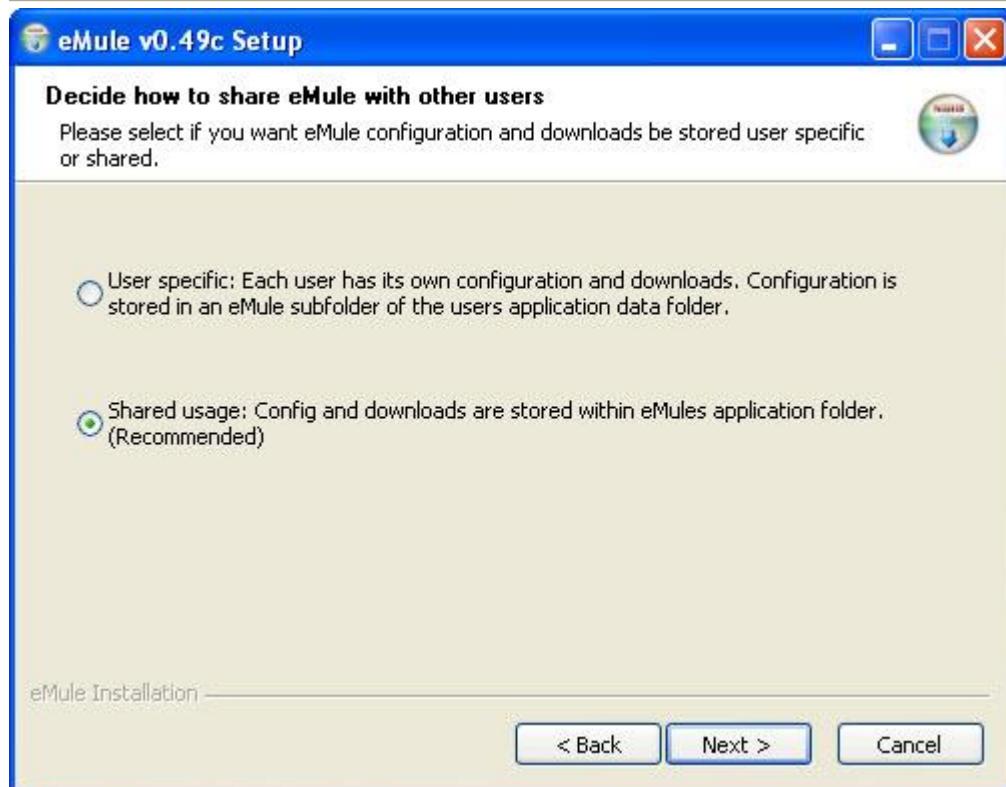
Space required: 10.4MB

eMule Installation

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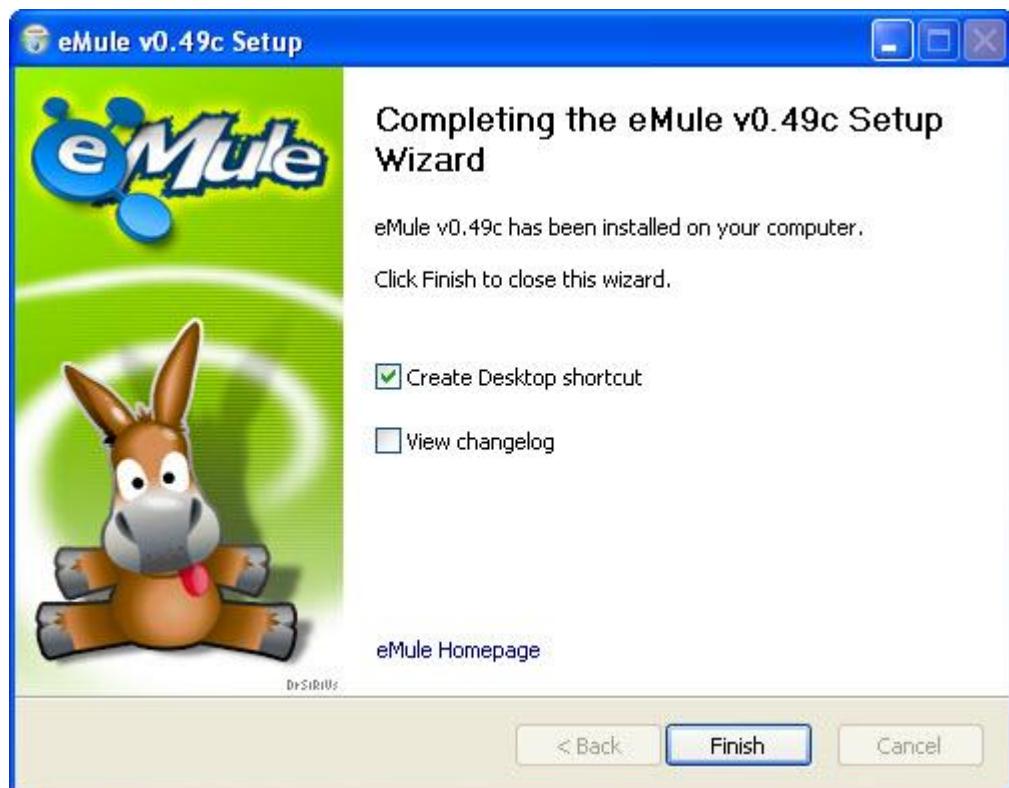
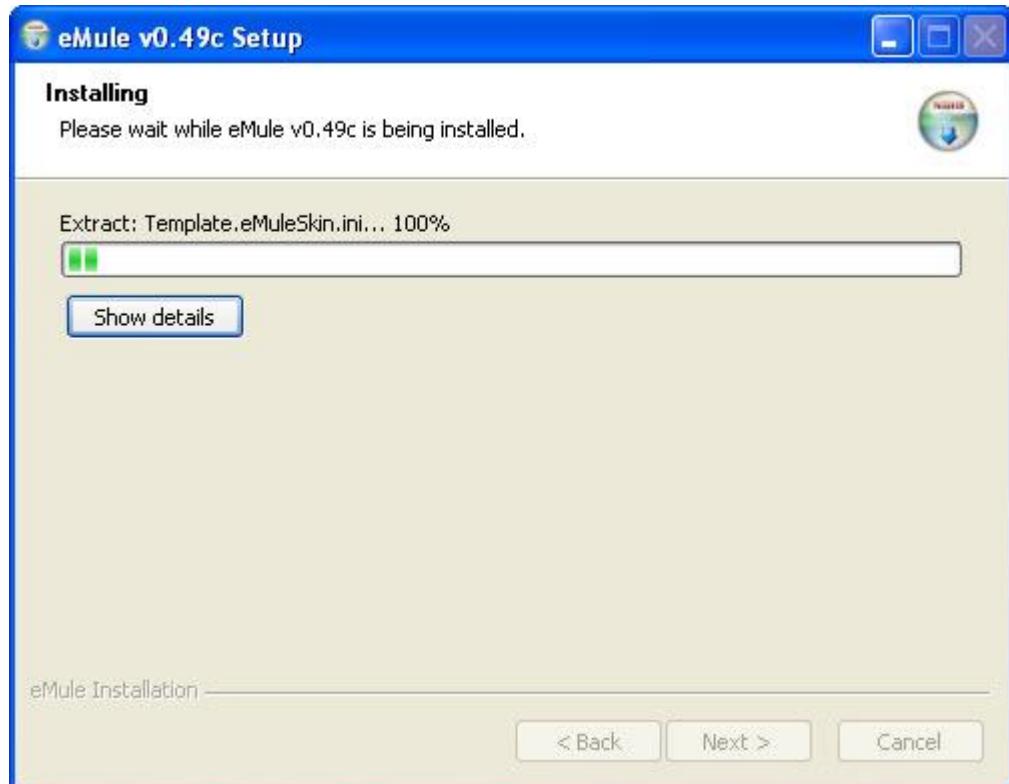


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The first part of the installation stops here. The user now has to start the application manually, by using one of the shortcuts to the programme.

When the programme has started up, the set up of the programme continues.





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eMule First Runtime Wizard

General

User Name 

Please enter your user name:

Enable this so that eMule will run when you start windows.
 Enable this option if you want eMule to connect at startup.

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eMule First Runtime Wizard

Ports and Connection

Connection 

eMule uses two ports for communication with servers and clients. These ports must be free and available for remote clients. The TCP port must be available to ensure the main functionality of eMule. The UDP port is used for Kad (serverless network) and to reduce network usage (Overhead).

You can change the ports here while no network activities have started.

TCP: UDP: Disable

Connection Test
Here you can test, if your TCP and UDP port can be connected to from remote. This success of this test is required for servers and clients to connect you. The TCP port have to succeed!

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eMule First Runtime Wizard

Download / Upload

Priority



Enable this option if you want eMule to manage your download priorities.

Turning this on will allow eMule to make sure downloads with a lot of sources do not interfere with downloads that have few sources. This option will only affect future downloads.

Enable this option if you want eMule to manage your upload priorities.

Turning this on will allow eMule to boost rare files meaning popular files will be harder for other people to get. Turning this off will allow eMule to upload popular files more often meaning rare files will be harder for other people to get. This option will only affect future shared files.

< Back Next > Cancel Help

eMule First Runtime Wizard

Security

Obfuscation



Enable this option if you want to use protocol obfuscation

If your ISP tries throttle or block eMule, enabling obfuscation will help to circumvent such restrictions.

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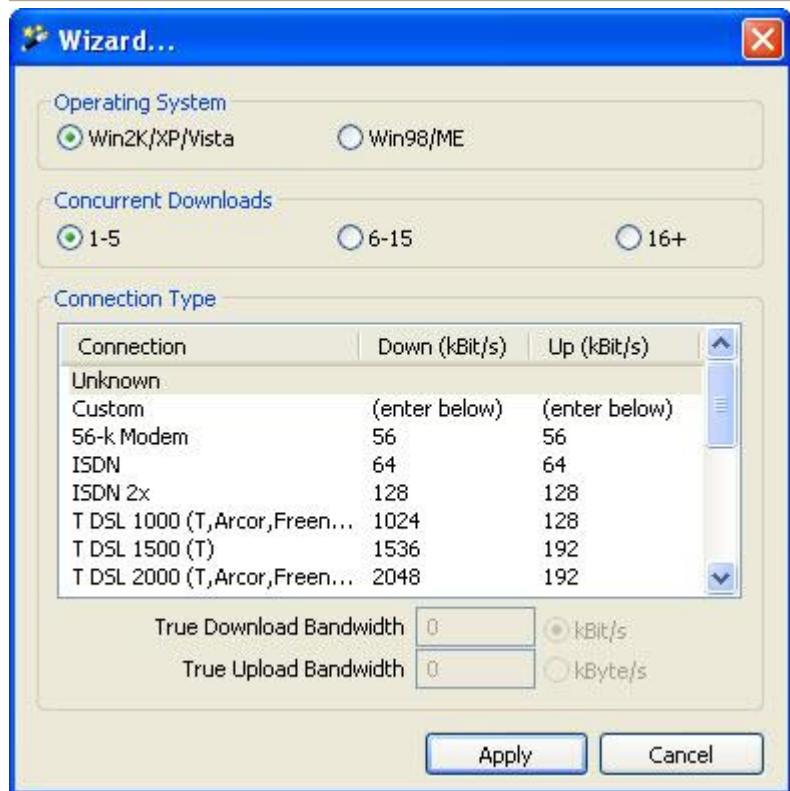




When you click on “Finish”, the programme starts up. Yet another set-up box appears:



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When choices have been made in the box above, the start display appears:



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The screenshot shows the eMule v0.49c application interface. The menu bar includes Connect, Kad, Servers, Transfers, Search, Shared Files, Messages, IRC, Statistics, Options, Tools, and Help. The main window displays a list of 8 servers with columns for Server Name, IP, Description, Ping, Users, and Max U... . The servers listed are:

Server Name	IP	Description
eDonkeyServer No2	212.63.206.35 : 4242	www.eDonkey.to
PEERATES.NET	88.191.81.111 : 1111	http://edk.peerates.net
Sharing Kingdom 1	89.248.172.54 : 4500	www.StormSex.net Dual ...
Sharing Kingdom 2	89.248.172.50 : 4500	www.StormSex.net Dual ...
Sharing Kingdom 3	89.248.172.86 : 4500	www.StormSex.net Dual ...
Sharing Kingdom 4	89.248.172.90 : 4500	www.StormSex.net Dual ...
TVU DonkeyServer No1...	89.248.174.84 : 6543	TV Underground (http://t...)
TVU DonkeyServer No2	194.107.122.72 : 6543	TV Underground (http://t...)

On the right side, there are sections for "New Server" (IP or Address: 4661, Name: Add to list), "Update server.met from URL" (Update button), "My Info" (eD2K Network: Disconnected, Kad Network: Disconnected, Web Interface: Disabled), and "Server Info" (eMule v0.49c, Click here to check if a new version is available). The bottom status bar shows: No new eMule ver., Users:0|Files:0, Up: 0.0 | Down: 0.0, eD2K:Not Connected|Kad:Not Connected|Preparing... .

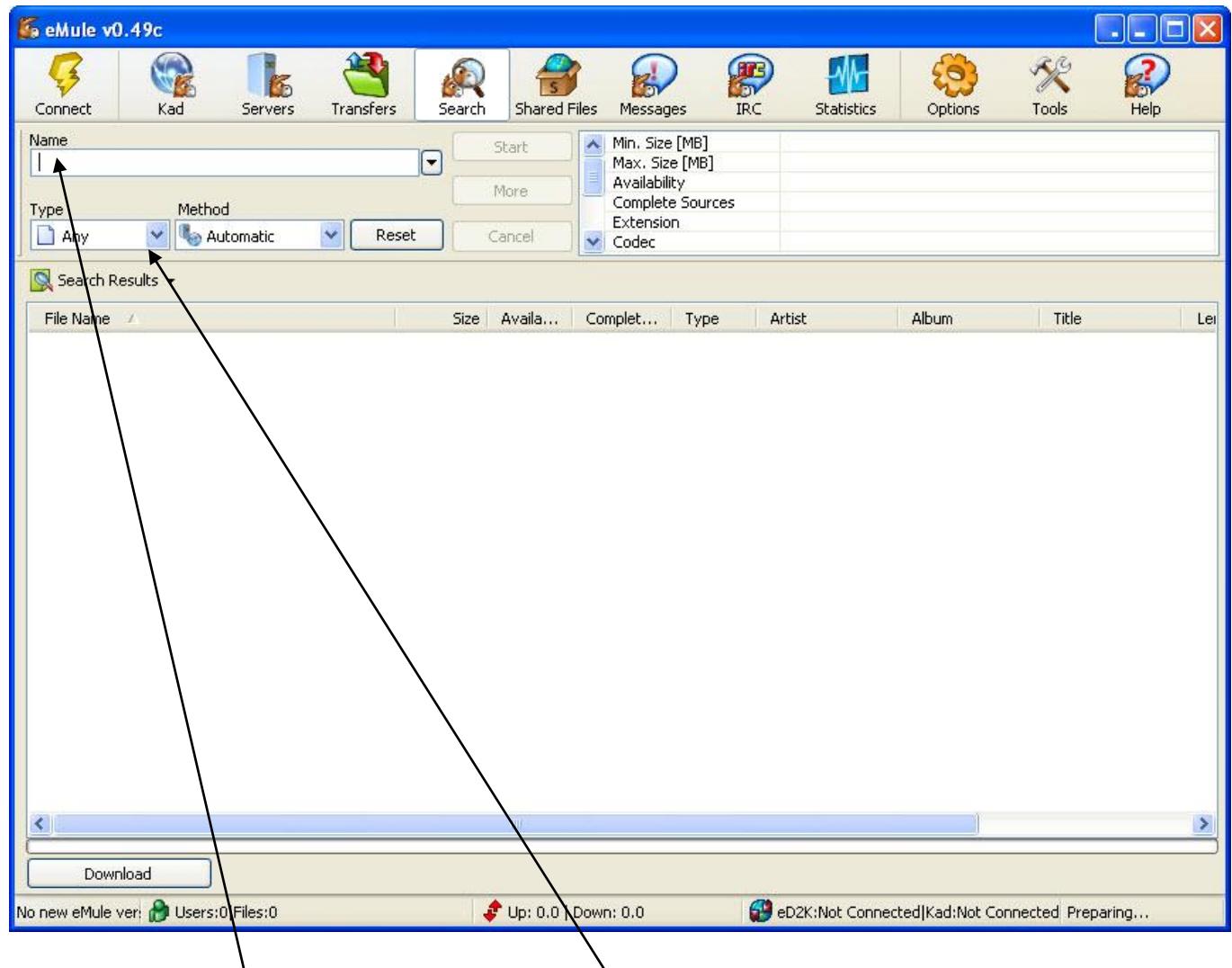
By clicking on "Connect" the programme will go online.

By clicking on the icons in the menu bar, we see the following pages:



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Search function:



The search word is typed in the search field and a possible file type is chosen in the drop-down box.



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Shared files

File Name	Size	R...	Accepte...	Transferred Data	Shared parts	Folder	Compl...	Shared ed2k Kad...
!(Film Porno)! Video Xxx P...	36.07 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Temp	7	
[0] djd- noche vieja 2006...	17.89 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Temp	1	
Adult Celebrity Sex Video...	207.91 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Temp	0	
Moi PARIS HILTON MON F...	35.38 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Temp	0	
Xxx Diva Tera Patrick 138...	17.89 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Temp	0	
- Super video porno avec ...	6.05 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
! WILDA FAIT! Jour AW...	62.29 KB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
!Best Farrah Fawcett! Nu...	72.03 KB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
[0] Oops - (3)Britney Spe...	7.50 MB	J...	0 (3)	0 Bytes (720.00 KB)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
VIDEO PORNO _Gon...	2.68 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
09 Sex Babes Sky Lopez ...	3.19 MB	J...	0 (2)	0 Bytes (360.00 KB)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
14Yo Niece Flash New Tit...	354.35 KB	J...	0 (1)	0 Bytes (50.00 KB)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
Alabama Teen Young Sex...	42.20 KB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
anita rinaldi en defonce a...	134.02 KB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
Anna Kournikova Brisbo N...	174.53 KB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
le meilleur de clara morga...	36.07 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
Moi PARIS HILTON MON F...	100.87 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
Paris Hilton 08 Oops Nack...	4.36 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
Paris.Hilton.Ibiza.2-mpxx...	4.61 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)		C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	

(Here an example from a client that has been running for a while).

Notice the five files marked as being placed in the “Temp” folder. From these files sufficient material has been downloaded to share (“chunks larger than 9500 kb”).

From the same display, you can see how many requests the network has sent for the individual shared files, how many requests have been accepted, and how many bytes material has been uploaded. All this information can be found in the file “known.met”.



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Downloads:

The screenshot shows the eMule v0.49c interface. The top menu bar includes options like Disconnect, Kad, Servers, Transfers, Search, Shared Files, Messages, IRC, Statistics, Options, Tools, and Help. Below the menu is a toolbar with icons for disconnect, Kad, servers, transfers, search, shared files, messages, IRC, statistics, options, tools, and help. The main window displays a list of download tasks in a grid format. The columns include File Name, Size, Comple..., Speed, Progress, Sources, Priority, and Status. The progress bar indicates the download status for each file. The 'Downloads' section shows 29 tasks, with many files from 'Paris Hilton' and 'Britney Spears'. The 'Uploading' section shows 0 tasks. At the bottom, there's a status bar with information about clients on queue, finished downloads, upload/download speeds, and network status.

File Name	Size	Comple...	Speed	Progress	Sources	Priority	Status
[0] Oops - (3)Britney Spears Without Panties 5...	7.50 MB	7.50 MB			Auto [Lo]	Complete	
14Yo Niece Flash New Tits Qsh Tina Pass Paris ...	354.35 KB	354.35 KB			Auto [Hi]	Complete	
anita rinaldi en defonce anale bianca dark don...	134.02 KB	134.02 KB			Auto [Hi]	Complete	
Paris Hilton 08 Oops Nackt Maxim Playboy Wall...	4.36 MB	4.36 MB			Auto [Hi]	Complete	
Three Naked Teens Posing In The Water 10Nu...	3.19 MB	2.66 MB			81/84 Auto [No]	Waiting	
!Best Farrah Fawcett! Nude For Best Porn ...	72.03 KB	30.87 KB	1.92 KB/s		4/5 (1) Auto [Hi]	Download...	
[XXX] Paris hilton sexy webcam sexe porno st...	65.35 KB	0 Bytes			0 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
Chenoa Desnuda Webcam Culo Teta CoÃ±o ...	162.66 KB	0 Bytes			0 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
Pamela Anderson Celebrity Female In Naked ...	84.24 KB	0 Bytes			0 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
- PARIS HILTON - FRAU - PROMI - SEX - PORN...	64.90 KB	0 Bytes			2 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
! [XXX] Paris hilton - sexy webcam sexe porno ...	93.78 KB	0 Bytes			1 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
I(WILDA FAIT)! Jouir AVEC vibromasseur fluo ...	62.29 KB	0 Bytes			0/1 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
08 Sex Babes Sky Lopez Porn Stars Fetish Man...	92.47 KB	0 Bytes			4 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
09 Sex Babes Sky Lopez Porn Stars Fetish Man...	3.19 MB	0 Bytes			3/5 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
1018-Sky-Lopez-Ass-Cover-Dvd-Picture-Teen-...	54.42 KB	0 Bytes			1 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
14Yo Niece Flash New Tits Qsh Tina Pass Paris ...	284.65 KB	0 Bytes			0/1 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
ADULT Hilton - paris hilton.jpg	208.28 KB	0 Bytes			1 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
Alabama Teen Young Sexy Lolita From Tina Pa...	42.20 KB	0 Bytes	0 B/s		11/12 (1) Auto [Hi]	Download...	
ANASTASIA KA55 se fait lecher par une petite ...	130.01 KB	0 Bytes			0 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
anita rinaldi defonce anale bianca dark donna ...	63.58 KB	0 Bytes			0 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
Anna Kournikova Brisbo Nikki Cox Paris Hilton P...	174.53 KB	0 Bytes			2 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	
BRITNEY SPEARS - foto senza mutande, serat...	646.29 KB	0 Bytes			12 Auto [Hi]	Waiting	

Up Uploading (0)

User Name	File	Speed	Transfe...	Waited	Upload Time	Status	Obtained P...

Clients on queue: 0 (3 banned)

Finished download: 36.0 M(508) | Files: 3.9 G(78.7 k) | Up: 0.9 | Down: 1.9 | eD2K:Connected | Kad:Connected | Waiting...



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KAD:

The screenshot shows the eMule v0.49c interface with the Kad tab selected. The main window displays a list of contacts with their IDs, types, and distances. A chart on the right shows the Kad Network contact count over time. Below the contacts is a table of current searches. The status bar at the bottom indicates download progress and network status.

Contacts (187)

ID	Type	Distance
02C6DB0E42D8098735E936C3EFC83AC6	3(8)	0101100010111100011100011100101101011010111100011
02D8BFB182788293206E8740D91649F2	3(5)	010110001010000010111000100110100101100001110011
02DD2CC3A373ADD07738CC4DE31E671	3(5)	01011000101001011100111100101111010101111001010011010
081987071E46F233952F91864A4AD444	3(4)	01010010011000010110010011110111000101000100010100
08693EC82E5B5035E39DC69820D9E131	3(8)	0101001000010001110110100110010110100011111001
089815C9CD8093A41EB51445383B3928	3(8)	0101001011000001111010001101010101100111010011111001
08D133F2095343434CF707C0D97DD555	3(4)	01010010101010011101000000011101001110100110111001
09664EF74EAD0779FB0F8446028659A8	3(2)	01010010000111010101010000101110101010100100101011
098598A2FDFF6FF63415C74F6F6084E	3(8)	010100111111010111010101111001010011001101110001
09B2399366390832A56BE77B59E01777	3(4)	01010011110010101010100110111111001000101101011
10977F422A996BCB76B321C46FD7P881	2(4)	01001010110111100101110101011110101111101011111000
10D681E1112B36A860F48BC651824343	3(8)	01001010101011100110001000011101100001010100111010
12AE3106B158B6B6B50DE320DE3DC23D	3(5)	01001000110101101010111101000100010110110000101010011100110
140286981E759732F6054A645C9A03BA	3(8)	010011100111101001100101100100100001000111110101111100111
147586ED5DBAC94EBDB6E9250B86B4A3	3(0)	010011100001101011001000100011100100111011110101
149537DE0ACEB74A943021BBF80941BF	3(8)	0100111011010111010100001000100101001110101010110
1572687C540A809FD23B374ABAEB368C	3(8)	01001110000101010001011100000001100000001101110110

Current Searches (7)

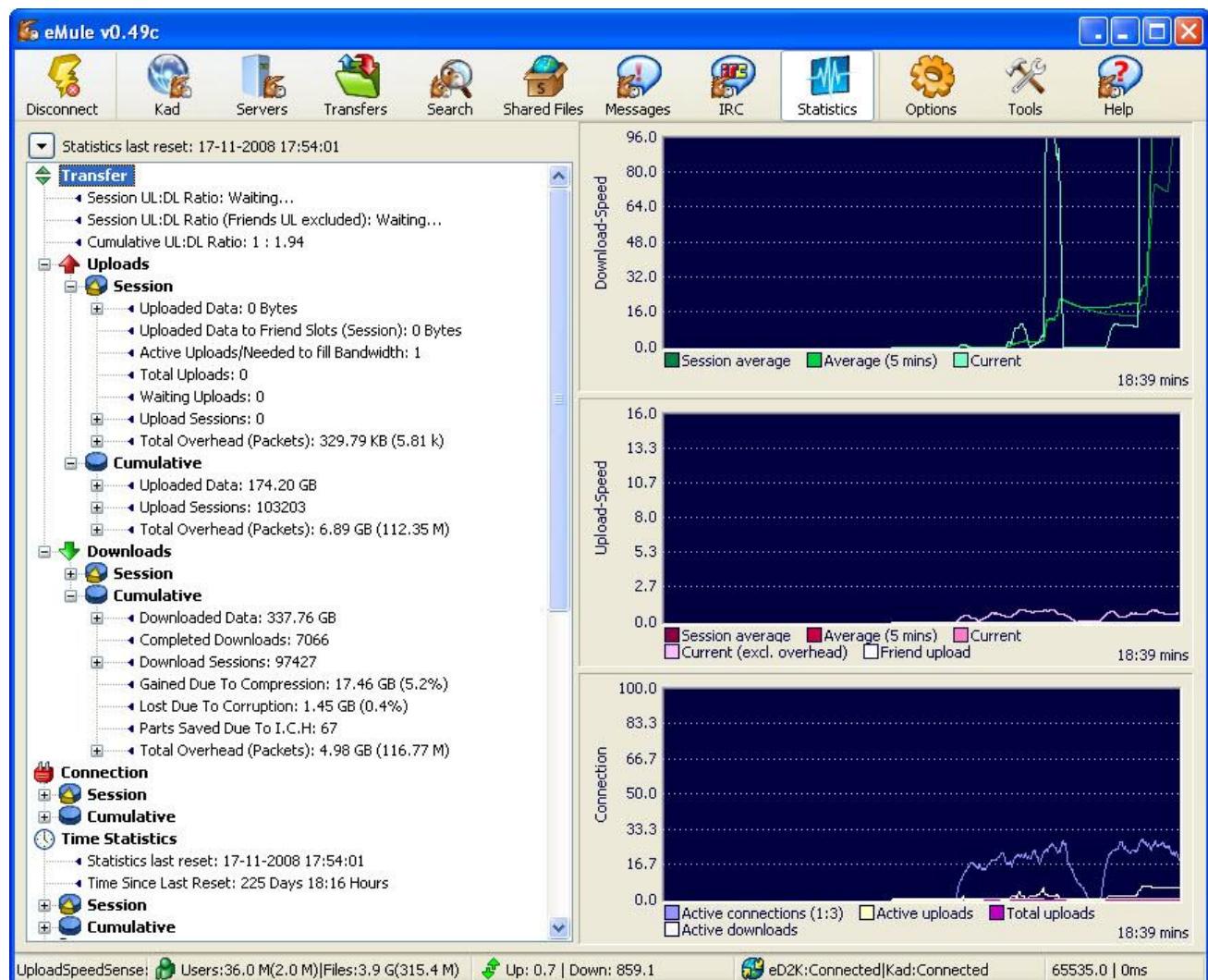
Nu...	Key	Type	Name	Status	Load
13	02C38B1121571B1A2382130F6B46BA5A	Search Sources	anita rinaldi defonce anale bianca dark donna ma...	Stopping	0 (0 0)
14	06DC910F42AA5C445E457928D3D96D89	Search Sources	BRITNEY SPEARS - foto senza mutande, serata c...	Stopping	0 (0 0)
16	031302A7AF621110BE50C385A17F8477	Search Sources	Britney Spears Pussy Shots Nicepussy Paris Hilton...	Stopping	0 (0 0)
17	07491BFFCD0FF16A7C1B70294DDAEB42	Search Sources	08 Sex Babes Sky Lopez Porn Stars Fetish Manga...	Active	0 (0 0)
-1	B425E45C468CA0CF1AD9E8D328189DF3	Node Lookup		Stopping	0 (0 0)
-1	41FE13971F36B11442E3AB8FDC095C61	Node Lookup		Stopping	0 (0 0)
-1	4DEFFF01121892A563E7733EEDB1B3E0	Node Lookup		Stopping	0 (0 0)

Finished downloaddir | Users:36.0 M(187)|Files:3.9 G(29.0 k) | Up: 0.9 | Down: 6.5 | eD2K:Connected|Kad:Connected | Waiting...

Shows the actual connection to the KAD network.



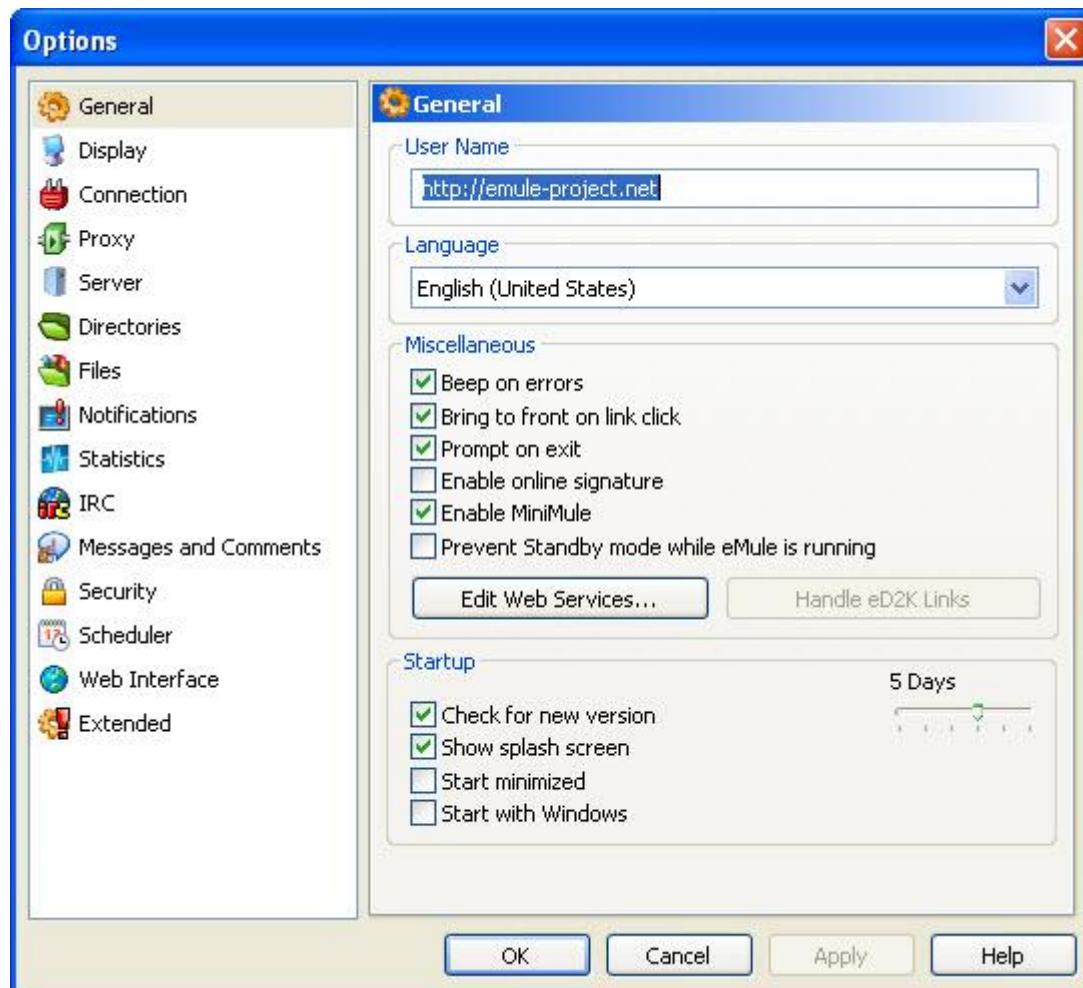
Statistics:



From the statistics picture, you can see the active traffic, accumulated data for downloads, uptime and so on. The content is constructed from the file "statistics.ini" – the page is just a graphic presentation of these data.



Settings:



Under “Settings”, there are a number of possibilities, in which you can set up your client. It will, however, take too long to cover all functions.

Under “Directories” , it will be shown, which folders the user actively has chosen to share.

Under “Extended” it will be indicated, whether the user has chosen to log traffic.



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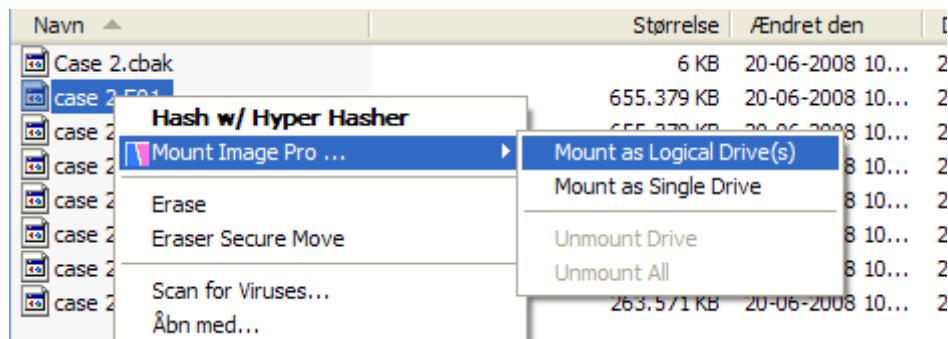
The Mounting of an Installed eMule Client

In connection with the examination of an installed client, it is possible to get the client running/started by mounting the evidence file containing the disk from the installed client.

You can mount the Evidence file in different ways – either by mounting it directly from EnCase or by using Mount Image Pro (which I recommend).

Mounting via Mount Image Pro takes place this way:

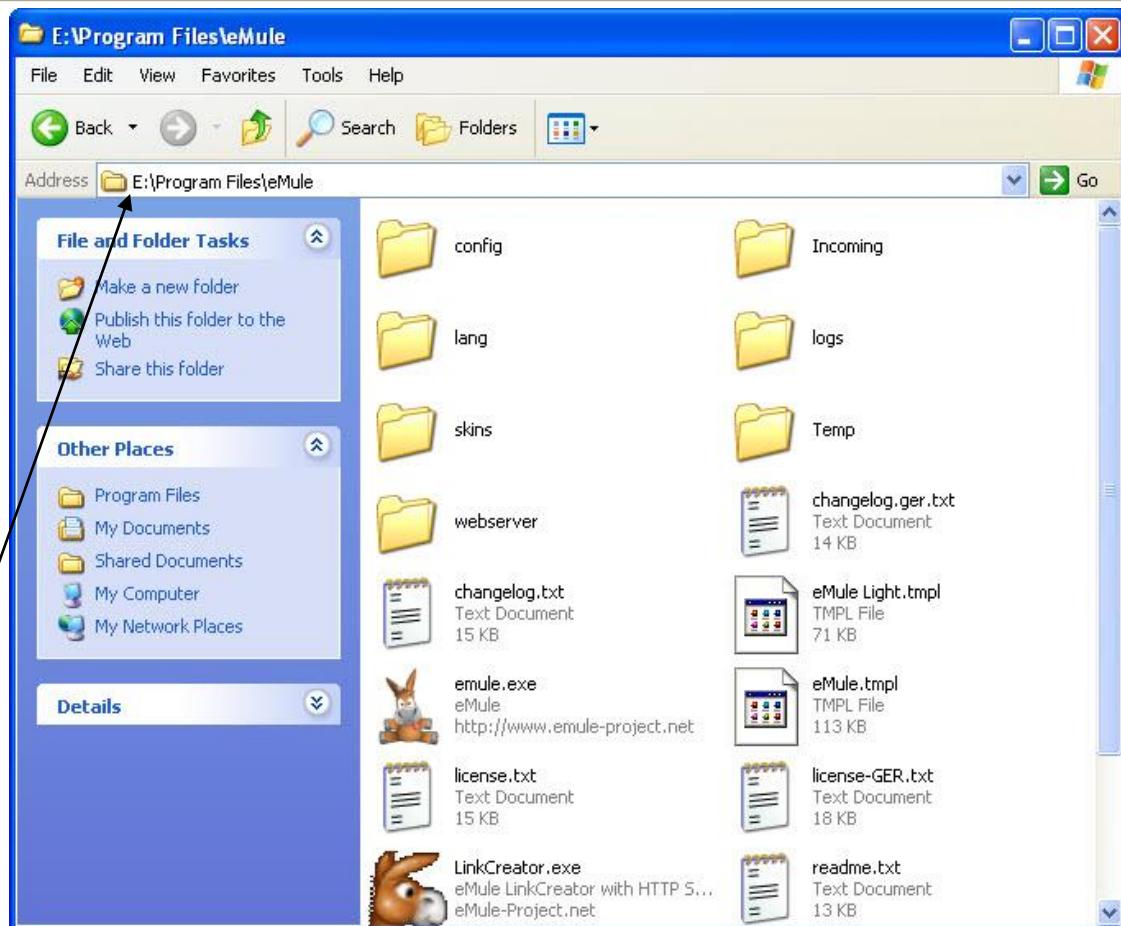
1. Open the folder containing the Evidence file that is to be mounted.
2. Right-click on the "*.E01" file and choose "Mount Image Pro ->Mount as Logical Drive(s)".



3. The drive will now be available in "Denne Computer" (This computer).
4. It is now possible to browse to the "eMule mappen" (eMule folder) on the mounted drive.

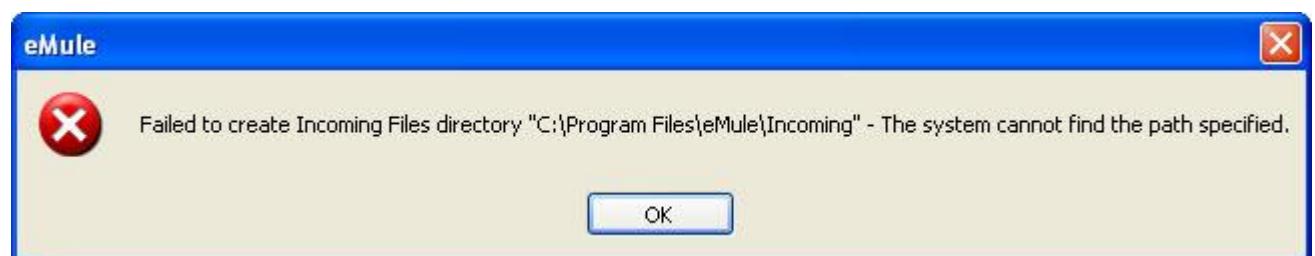


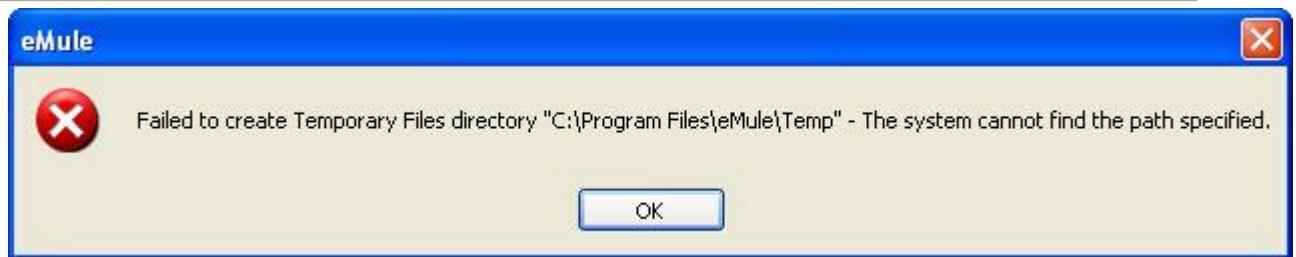
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Notice, that the drive has got another drive letter. Originally, it would have had "C" as drive name.

5. Double-click on "emule.exe".
6. At start up of the programme, an error message will appear telling you that the folders "C:\Programmer\eMule\incoming" and "C:\Programmer\eMule\Temp" are not to be found.



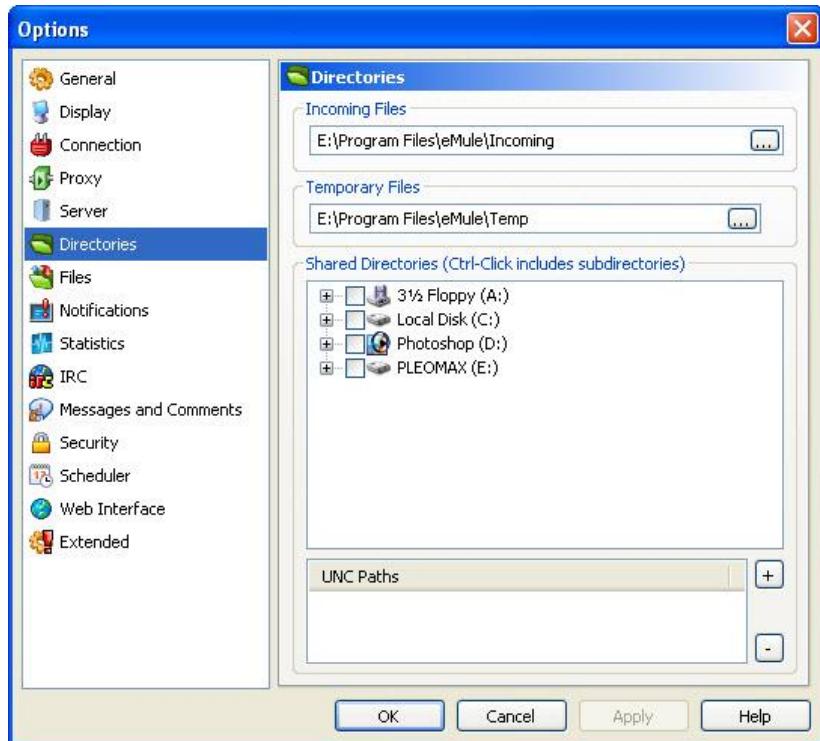


As can be seen, the programme is unable to find the folders on the path. The path has to be corrected subsequently in the programme itself.

7. Click on “OK” for both error messages and open the programme’s user interface.
8. Go to “\eMule\Config\shareddir.dat” and open this via Notepad. Read which possible folders have been shared by the user (notice that possible subfolders are not automatically shared).
9. Return to eMule’s user interface and choose the menu item “Options” and the submenu “Directories” . Correct the drive name to the drive letter, that the disk is mounted with, and mark possible user made folders as shared (the folders that are mentioned in “shareddir.dat”).



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10. Click “OK”.

11. Shut down and restart eMule.

12. It is now possible to see all shared files – including possible files that are about to be downloaded and where sufficient data has been downloaded for sharing.

File Name	Size	R..	Accepte...	Transferred Data	Shared parts	Folder	Compl...	Shared eD2K Kad
!(Film Porno)! Video Xxx P...	36.07 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: blue;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Temp	7	
[0] djd- noche vieja 2006...	17.89 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: blue;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Temp	1	
Adult Celebrity Sex Video...	207.91 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Temp	0	
Moi PARIS HILTON MON F...	35.38 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Temp	0	
Xxx Diva Tera Patrick 138...	17.89 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Temp	0	
Super video porno avec ...	6.05 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
! (WILDA FAIT) Jour AV...	62.29 KB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
!Best Farrah Fawcett! Nu...	72.03 KB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
[0] Oops - (3)Britney Spe...	7.50 MB	J...	0 (3)	0 Bytes (720.00 KB)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
__ VIDEO PORNO __ Gon...	2.68 MB	J...	0 (0)	0 Bytes (0 Bytes)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	
09 Sex Babes Sky Lopez ...	3.19 MB	J...	0 (2)	0 Bytes (360.00 KB)	<div style="width: 20%; height: 10px; background-color: black;"></div>	C:\Program Files\emule\Inco...	1	

13. In connection with this exercise, it is a good idea to document your discoveries with screen dumps. These pictures often say more than words and show how the user has seen his interface.



It is completely safe to use this method as the Evidence file is write protected, which means that possible changes only take place in RAM.

This method is relatively simple to carry out. Of course, you may also start the mounted disk through LiveView and VirtualMachine. This is, however, only possible if all shared folders are placed on the same physical hard disk, as it is not immediately possible to mount several disks at the same time and run them through LiveView.

By making use of the above-mentioned method, it is possible to mount a random number of disks and get the installation running across various disks.



Forensic Examination of eMule

Standard installation

The standard installation of eMule is found on "C:\Programmers\emule". The installation automatically sets up the folders "C:\Programmer\emule\incoming" and "C:\Programmer\emule\Temp" as shared with other users. As mentioned earlier, this "share" function cannot be switched off.

In EnCase it looks like this:

The screenshot shows the EnCase Law Enforcement interface. On the left, there's a tree view of the file system under the 'Cases' tab, showing various folders like 'Programmer', 'eMule', 'EnCase4', etc. On the right, a detailed table lists 20 files and folders from the 'emule' directory. The columns in the table are: Name, Filter, In Report, File Ext, File Type, File Category, Signature, and Description. The data is as follows:

Name	Filter	In Report	File Ext	File Type	File Category	Signature	Description
1 config							Folder
2 Incoming							Folder
3 lang							Folder
4 skins							Folder
5 Temp							Folder
6 webserver							Folder
7 emule.exe			exe	Windows Executable	Code Executable		File, Archive
8 LinkCreator.exe			exe	Windows Executable	Code Executable		File, Archive
9 changelog.txt			txt	Text	Document		File, Archive
10 changelog.ger.txt			txt	Text	Document		File, Archive
11 license.txt			txt	Text	Document		File, Archive
12 license-GER.txt			txt	Text	Document		File, Archive
13 readme.txt			txt	Text	Document		File, Archive
14 Template.eMuleSkin...			ini	Initialization	Windows		File, Archive
15 Template.Notifier.ini			ini	Initialization	Windows		File, Archive
16 eMule.Light.tmpl			tmpl				File, Archive
17 eMule.tmpl			tmpl				File, Archive
18 Uninstall.exe			exe	Windows Executable	Code Executable		File, Archive
19 downloads.txt			txt	Text	Document		File, Archive
20 downloads.bak			bak	Backup	Document		File, Archive

Windows registry

We find no information of any interest in the registry.

Information about shared folders/files

In the file "C:\Programmer\emule\config\sharedir.dat", we find information about shared folders (apart from "Incoming" and "Temp"). The files can be opened by Notepad.



Other Files of Interest

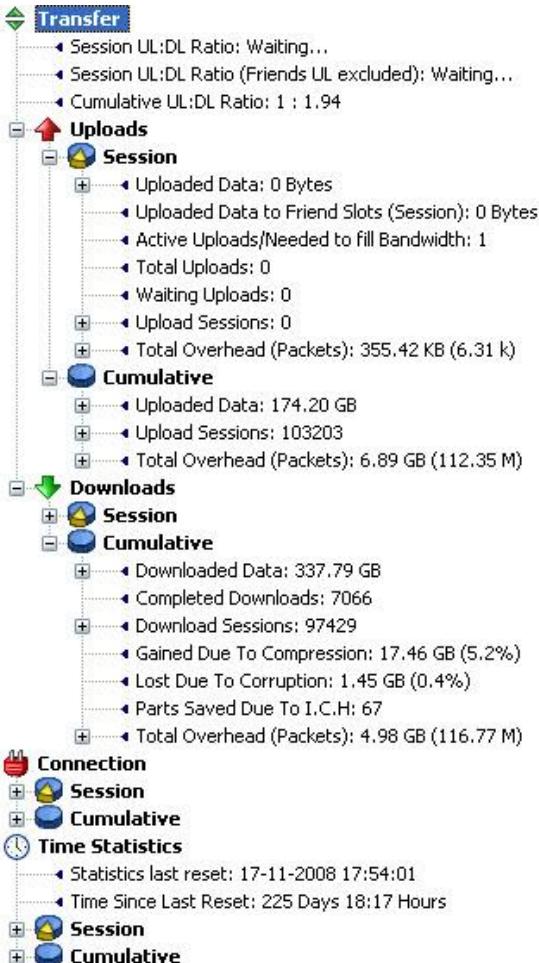
The files listed below are worth examining closer:

14. preferences.ini (Contains information about accumulated up-/download, among other things)
15. downloads.txt (Contains information about ongoing downloads)
16. AC_Searchstring.dat (Contains the last typed search words)
17. known.met (Information about files that have been shared – both present and former)

preferences.ini

The file is found in the folder "C:\Programmer\eMule\config".

The content of "preferences.ini" can be documented with advantage, by activating the client and having the content visually presented:



downloads.txt

The file is found in the folder "C:\Programmer\eMule\".

This file contains information about the files that are being downloaded at present – that is the same information which is shown under the tab “Overførsler” (Transfer).

The content is readable in Notepad and will look like this:



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Date: 13-06-2008 09:34:13
Directory: C:\Programmer\emule\Temp

Part file      ed2k link
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010.part      ed2k://file|13%20or%2014%20yr%20Teen%20Girl%20Masturbates%20In%20Front%20of%20webcam,%20Hairless%20
013.part      ed2k://file|paris_hilton_1.jpg|113903|02375E7B2BB138DCE2A71C89F0A0A750|
005.part      ed2k://file|1.Night.In.Paris.-%20Paris%20Hilton%20sex%20Tape%20DVD.mpg|659753388|3D123CD985F08F2A76
009.part      ed2k://file|14yo%2015yo%2017yo%2018yo%20masturbation%20squirt%20party%20girls%20blasen%20sex%20vide
017.part      ed2k://file|Sex%20video%20in%20zest%20perm%20Porno%20Teen%20Paris%20Hilton%20tochter%20Asian%20Dildo%
004.part      ed2k://file|Porno%20Paris%20Hilton%20original%20private%20Fuck-video.avi|1035611381|52E969B2A0722728
011.part      ed2k://file|Paris%20Hilton%20Drunk%20After%20A%20Big%20Party%20-%20And%20Showing,%20upskirt,%20Pedo%
002.part      ed2k://file|Paris%20Hilton%20Full%20version.avi|143304704|FDD1FDEA21C62AF8B7560FD53CEE449F|
014.part      ed2k://file|DESKTOP%20PC-Girls%20291%20-%20Paris%20Hilton%20-%20(%20nude%20actress,%20celeb,%20porn%
006.part      ed2k://file|Celebrity%20Giving%20Head%20Compilation%20-%20Pamela%20Anderson,Chloe%20Sevigny,Gena%20
001.part      ed2k://file|XXXX%20-%20Night%20In%20Paris-%20Paris%20Hilton%20sex%20Tape%20WD.mpg|659753388|4EC
018.part      ed2k://file|Paris%20Hilton%20s4%20v1%20ok%20128x160%20maneirasso%20raro.jar|64213|C5FAF2D3B4A2AD15
003.part      ed2k://file|2.%20Paris%20Hilton%20-%205econd%20sex%20Tape%20(Teenie).avi|352850232|E85BAB1CA9C77EC
008.part      ed2k://file|Britney%20Spears%20And%20Kevin%20Federline's%20New%20sex%20Tape%20real!!!%20'better%20T
019.part      ed2k://file|Madonna%20-%20Music%202008%20(%20virtual%20Groove%20Dub%20Remix)%20-%20onbekend%20-%20M
```

A line in “downloads.txt” could look something like this:

013.part ed2k://|file|paris_hilton_1.jpg|113903|02375E7B2BB138DCE2A71C89F0A0A750|/

↑ ↑ ↑ ↑
“.part” number File name File size in bytes eD2K hash value

The line above is a fully valid eD2K link that can be copied directly into a browser, which then automatically opens an eMule and starts downloading this specific file.

[AC_SearchStrings.dat](#)

The file is found in the folder “C:\Programmer\emule\config”.

The file contains information about the search words last used. The words are given in Unicode. In EnCase, “Text Styles” may with advantage be set to Unicode:



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The screenshot shows the EnCase Forensic software interface. On the left, there is a tree view of the file system, with the 'eMule' folder expanded, showing subfolders like 'config', 'Incoming', 'lang', 'skins', 'Temp', and 'webserver'. To the right of the tree view is a table displaying file details:

4	cryptkey.dat			dat	Data ASCII & Binary	Code\Library
5	known2_64.met			met		
6	statistics.ini			ini	Initialization	Windows
7	addresses.dat			dat	Data ASCII & Binary	Code\Library
8	staticservers.dat			dat	Data ASCII & Binary	Code\Library
9	webservices.dat			dat	Data ASCII & Binary	Code\Library
10	preferences.ini			ini	Initialization	Windows
11	cancelled.met			met		
12	clients.met			met		
13	clients.met.bak			bak	Backup	Document
14	emfriends.met			met		
15	AC_SearchStrings.dat			dat	Data ASCII & Binary	Code\Library
16	AC_ServerMetURLs...			dat	Data ASCII & Binary	Code\Library
17	AC_BootstrapIPs.dat			dat	Data ASCII & Binary	Code\Library
18	SearchSpam.met			met		

Below the table, there is a search results pane showing three entries: '00metallica', '24madonna', and '42paris hilton'. An arrow points from the text '42paris hilton' to the 'Unicode' section of the bottom right pane, which lists various Unicode encoding options.

In this example, the user has run searches on "metallica", "madonna" and "paris hilton".

known.met

The file is found in the folder "C:\Programmer\eMule\config".

"Known.met" is a virtual gold mine of data. The file contains information about all files that have been downloaded through the programme – or have been placed at the disposal of other clients by our user. It is possible to read out the data listed below:

- File name
- File size
- eD2K hash value
- When the date has last been changed
- Number of requests for the file from the network



- Number of requests accepted
 - Number of bytes that have been uploaded
 - The file's upload priority
 - “Last seen finished” date – that is, when has the file last been posted as available on the network from this installation (from version 0.48a).
I will go into details with this later on.

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An analysis of "known.met"

When eMule is installed, the file "known.met" will not be created before connection has been made to the network. The first time eMule is shut down, the file will be created. If no material has been downloaded, the file will only contain 5 bytes of data. In HEX the file will look this way:

OE 00 00 00 00

The first byte (offset 0) contains the value 0E (NOTE: in newer versions it can be 0F), which is the file's signature byte. Offset 1-4 contains information about the number of records in "known.met" and as can be seen above, no files have been downloaded.

If the first 5 bytes in "known.met" contain the following data:

OE FF 00 00 00

You may deduce from this, that there are 256 entries in all, in this “known.met”, since the decimal value for “FF” is 256.

When examining "known.met", you can open it in Notepad, for instance, but the information is not very usable. It is only possible to deduce file name and type.

As can be seen, there are many “holes” in the data that can be read in text view.



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In order to get more out of the data, you have to change to HEX View. The same posting looks this way:

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B662F44724D40E45A7BACD73F1562804889AE4CF0200FDEB1FBE1591C6D7BA6B86AC11C38CD272C2  
1F83EBFCE609D36CCFA4FCDABEF2100000000201000125004D61646F6E6E61202D2048756E672055  
702028416C62756D2056657273696F6E292E6D7033030100028050CE0003010050CDB45900030100  
540000000030100510F000000030100520F0000000301001905000000201002720004F51334B56  
475057364A504C4E325A46594E434D53423749494855574D504A4D030100210FFFF5470301002201  
0000000201001208003134382E70617274030100D35101000030100D440010000020100D2170048  
756E672055702028416C62756D2056657273696F6E29020100D10D00416C62756D2056657273696F  
6E020100D007004D61646F6E6E61
```

It is possible to interpret the data with EnCase, but an actual HEX viewer such as WinHEX is much more usable for the analysis. In WinHEX it is possible to interpret data up to 64 bytes onwards and give information, whether there are any possible time and date stamps and so on.

See the example below on the use of WinHEX.

Offset	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
000000000	B6	62	F4	47	24	D4	0E	45	A7	BA	CD	73	F1	56	28	04	ibôGsÔ ES²ÍsñW(
000000016	88	9A	E4	CF	02	00	FD	EB	1F	BE	15	91	C6	D7	BA	6B	ÍäI ýë % 'Ex²k
000000032	86	AC	11	C3	8C	D2	72	C2	1F	83	EB	FC	E6	09	D3	6C	- ÄlOrÅ Íeüæ Ó1
000000048	CF	A4	FC	DA	BE	F2	10	00	00	00	02	01	00	01	25	00	ÍøuÜ%ó %
000000064	4D	E1	64	6F	6E	6E	61	20	2D	20	48	75	6E	67	20	55	Madonna - Hung U
000000080	70	20	28	41	6C	62	75	6D	20	56	65	72	73	69	6F	6E	p (Album Version
000000096	29	2E	6D	70	33	03	01	00	02	80	50	CE	00	03	01	00).mp3 PI
000000112	50	CD	E4	59	00	03	01	00	54	00	00	00	00	03	01	00	PÍ'Y T
000000128	51	0F	00	00	00	03	01	00	52	0F	00	00	00	00	03	01	Q R
000000144	19	05	00	00	00	02	01	00	27	20	00	4F	51	33	4B	56	' OQ3KV
000000160	47	50	57	36	4A	50	4C	4E	32	5A	46	59	4E	43	4D	53	GPW6JPLN2ZFYNCMS
000000176	42	37	49	49	48	55	57	4D	50	4A	4D	03	01	00	21	0F	B7IIHUWMPJM !
000000192	FF	F5	47	03	01	00	22	01	00	00	00	02	01	00	12	08	yðG "
000000208	00	31	34	38	2E	70	61	72	74	03	01	00	D3	51	01	00	148.part OQ
000000224	00	03	01	00	D4	40	01	00	00	02	01	00	D2	17	00	48	Ô@ Ô H
000000240	75	6E	67	20	55	70	20	28	41	6C	62	75	6D	20	56	65	ung Up (Album Ve
000000256	72	73	69	6F	6E	29	02	01	00	D1	0D	00	41	6C	62	75	rsion) Ñ Albu
000000272	6D	20	56	65	72	73	69	6F	6E	02	01	00	D0	07	00	4D	m Version Ñ M
000000288	61	64	6F	6E	6E	61											adonna

Data Interpreter

- 8 Bit (+): 182
- 16 Bit (+): 25270
- 32 Bit (+): 1207198390
- C Date: 03-04-2008
- 04:53:10

Be aware of that the "Data Interpreter" interprets the data both as numbers and dates – for



instance in this case where the 32 bits are interpreted both as numbers and UNIX date. You have to be aware of, that the interpretation is made from the existing data, which means that “false positives” could occur in relation to datings and so on. As a consequence of this, it is important to look at the data structures when analyzing in WinHEX.

What do the different data mean?

In the example below, the meaning of the different data can be read out:

Offset	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	
000000000	B6	62	F4	47	24	D4	0E	45	A7	BA	CD	73	F1	56	28	04	0
000000016	88	9A	E4	CF	02	00	FD	EB	1F	BE	15	91	C6	D7	BA	6B	Madonna - Hung U
000000032	86	AC	11	C3	8C	D2	72	C2	1F	83	EB	FC	E6	09	D3	6C	p (Album Version
000000048	CF	A4	FC	DA	BE	F2	10	00	00	00	02	01	00	01	25	00).mp3
000000064	4D	61	64	6F	6E	6E	61	20	2D	20	48	75	6E	67	20	55	IFI
000000080	70	20	28	41	6C	62	75	6D	20	56	65	72	73	69	6F	6E	PI
000000096	29	2E	6D	70	33	03	01	00	02	80	50	CE	00	03	01	00	Y
000000112	50	CD	B4	59	00	03	01	00	54	00	00	00	00	03	01	00	T
000000128	51	0F	00	00	00	03	01	00	52	0F	00	00	00	03	01	00	R
000000144	19	05	00	00	00	02	01	00	27	20	00	4F	51	33	4B	56	003KV
000000160	47	50	57	36	4A	50	4C	4E	32	5A	46	59	4E	43	4D	53	GPW6JPLN2ZFVN CMS
000000176	42	37	49	49	48	55	57	4D	50	4A	4D	03	01	00	21	0F	B7IIHUWMPJM !
000000192	FF	F5	47	03	01	00	22	01	00	00	00	02	01	00	12	06	y8G "
000000208	00	31	34	38	2E	70	61	72	74	03	01	00	D3	51	01	00	148 part 0Q
000000224	00	03	01	00	D4	40	01	00	00	02	01	00	D2	17	00	48	0@ 0 H
000000240	75	6E	67	20	55	70	20	28	41	6C	62	75	6D	20	56	65	ung Up (Album Ve
000000256	72	73	69	6F	6E	29	02	01	00	D1	0D	00	41	6C	62	75	rsion) N Albu
000000272	6D	20	56	65	72	73	69	6F	6E	02	01	00	D0	07	00	4D	m Version E M
000000288	61	64	6F	6E	6E	61											adonna

Below here, you see the meaning of the individual markings.

#	Offset	Tag (HEX)	Meaning of data
1	00-03		Last written
2	04-19		eD2K hash
3	20-21		Number of partial hashes
4	22-53		partial hashes (2 x 16 bytes)
5	54-57		Number of META tags
6	58-61	02 01 00 01	TAG:Filename
7	62-63		Length of filename
8	64-100		Filename
9	101-104	03 01 00 02	TAG:Filesize in bytes
10	105-108		Filesize



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11	109-112	03 01 00 50	TAG:Transferred amount of data (total upload)
12	113-116		Transferred amount of data (in bytes)
13	117-120	03 01 00 54	TAG:currently unknown
14	121-124		Currently unknown
15	125-128	03 01 00 51	TAG:Number of requests from network
16	129-132		Number of requests from network
17	133-136	03 01 00 52	TAG:Number of accepted requests
18	137-140		Number of requests
19	141-144	03 01 00 19	TAG:Upload priority
20	145-148		Upload priority
21	149-152	02 01 00 27	TAG:AICH hash
22	153-154		Length of AICH hash
23	155-186		AICH hash
24	187-190	03 01 00 21	TAG:DATE/TIME when file last has been posted on the KAD network as present for sharing
25	191-194		DATE/TIME when file last has been posted on the KAD network as present for sharing
26	195-198	03 01 00 22	TAG:Currently unknown (possibly a mp3 tag)
27	199-202		Currently unknown (possibly a mp3 tag (value 01 00 00 00))
28	203-206	02 01 00 12	TAG:name of .part file (temp file)
29	207-208		Length of tempfile name
30	209-216		Name of .part file (temp file)
31	217-220	03 01 00 D3	TAG:playing length of file in sec.
32	221-224		Playing length of file in sec.
33	225-228	03 01 00 D4	TAG:Bitrate of file
34	229-232		Bitrate
35	233-236	02 01 00 D2	TAG>Title
36	237-238		Length of title
37	239-263		Title
38	262-265	02 01 00 D1	TAG:Album title
39	266-267		Length of Album title
40	268-280		Album name
41	281-284	02 01 00 D0	TAG:Artist name
42	285-286		Length of artist name
43	287-293		Artist name

Every record may contain a number of different META-tags and all tags are not always represented. Moreover, it has not been possible to interpret all tags completely.



In general, META-tags can be divided into two groups:

- Strings
- Numerical values

Strings:

The META-tag for strings has the format “02 01 00 xx”, in which “xx” represents the “value” of the tag. Immediately after the tag, the 2 bytes are placed that contain the length of the string.

Numerical values:

The META-tag for numerical values has the format “03 01 00 xx”, in which “xx” represents the “value” of the tag. The subsequent 4 bytes contain the numerical value or a date/time value (UNIX/C-date).

Examples of different META-tags.

TAG	Meaning
02 01 00 01	File name
02 01 00 12	Temp file name (.part)
02 01 00 27	AICH hash *)
02 01 00 D0	Artist name
02 01 00 D1	Album
02 01 00 D2	Title
03 01 00 02	File size
03 01 00 19	Upload priority **)
03 01 00 21	File dating (date/time when file has last been posted on KAD ***)
03 01 00 22	Currently unknown (possibly a mp3 tag)
03 01 00 50	Transferred amount of data (total upload)
03 01 00 D3	Playing length of file in sec.
03 01 00 51	Number of requests from network
03 01 00 52	Number of accepted requests
03 01 00 D4	Bit rate
03 01 00 54	Currently unknown

*) This hash value is an Advanced Intelligent Corruption Handler hash value. It helps you



determine whether parts (“chunks”) of downloaded data are corrupt. Each “chunk” is divided into 53 (52x 180KB and 1x 140KB (9500 KB)) and each of these parts is hashed with SHA1. Each of these hashes is called a “block hash”. By combining a couple of “block hashes” – each part with the part next to it, for instance – eMule gets a complete “tree” of hash values. This “hash tree” of “block hashes” is called the AICH hash set.

**) The upload priority is automatically set to the value “05” (Auto), but it can be changed by the user. This is done in the window “Shared Files”, wherein each file can be set manually to the desired value.

Upload priority:

00 00 00 00: Low

01 00 00 00: Normal

02 00 00 00: High

03 00 00 00: Release

04 00 00 00: Very Low

05 00 00 00: Auto

***) This time and date stamp is rather special and demands an explanation:

When eMule connects to the network, the programme checks whether the individual file is still in the shared folders. If the file is present, eMule will try to post the file on the KAD network. If the file in question has insufficient sources, the file will be posted and the actual date/time (in GMT) will be updated. On the other hand, if there are insufficient sources on the KAD network, the file will not be posted (in order to prevent flooding). Instead the file is given a time and date stamp (“reposting time”) which is actual time + 5 hours (GMT). When the new time comes, the process will be repeated. If there is a shortage of sources, the file is posted with the actual time (GMT) or else the file will get a new “reposting time”, which again is actual time + 5 hours.

This means that when examining “known.met” it is possible to determine for how long time the individual file has been shared (+/- 5hours) – even if the file has been removed or deleted from the shared folders. You can work out the period in which the file has been shared by deducting the posting time from “last changed” time (Notice that this is ONLY when the file has been downloaded through eMule – more about this later on).



How do we determine whether a file has been downloaded via eMule or the user has placed it at the disposal of the network?

In the file "C:\Programmer\emule\config\shareddir.dat" paths are found to the current shared folders ("incoming" and "Temp" are not mentioned here).

If other folders have been shared, all files in the folders will be added to "known.met", but the individual files will not have references to a ".part" file. This means that NO tag exists for this information (02 01 00 12) in this record.

A quick way to check this is to read out the number of records in "known.met" (offset 1-4), and then carry out a search on the HEX values 02 01 00 12 and compare them with the number of records that have been read out earlier. If there is a difference, single files will have been shared by the user (NOTE: If the user chooses to delete the old program before installing a new – or the known.met file has been deleted/corrupted - there will be no reference to the ".part" file – even if the file had been downloaded by the previous program installation. Do a thorough examination on this prior to saying, that the user has set the files shared by him self)

The content of the "Temp" folder

When examining the folder "C:\Programmer\emule\Temp", we see that this folder contains the partly downloaded files.

During download, a file is divided into 3 separate files:

- "xx.part" file
- "xx.part.met" file
- "xx.part.met.bak" file

"xx.part" file contains the actual file data. The file has the same size as the complete file (possible missing file parts are being marked with "00").

"xx.part.met" contains "meta-data" for the file, such as file name, file size, data chunks downloaded, AICH hash of chunks downloaded and so on.



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"xx.part.met.bak" is a backup of "xx.part.met".

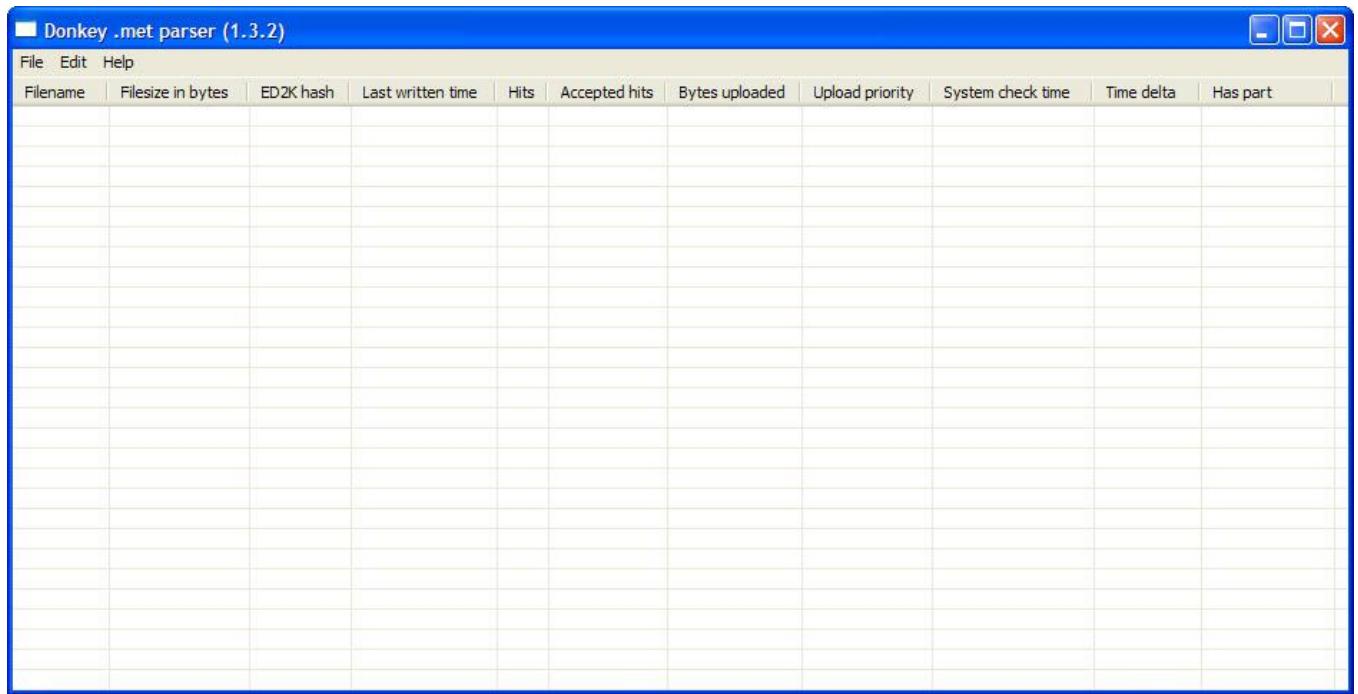
If a partly downloaded file contains a video sequence, you can often play it in MediaPlayer or in VirtualDub, for instance.



Analysis tool for "known.met"

Instructions on using "DonkeyMetParser v. 1.3.3"

The GUI of the the parser:



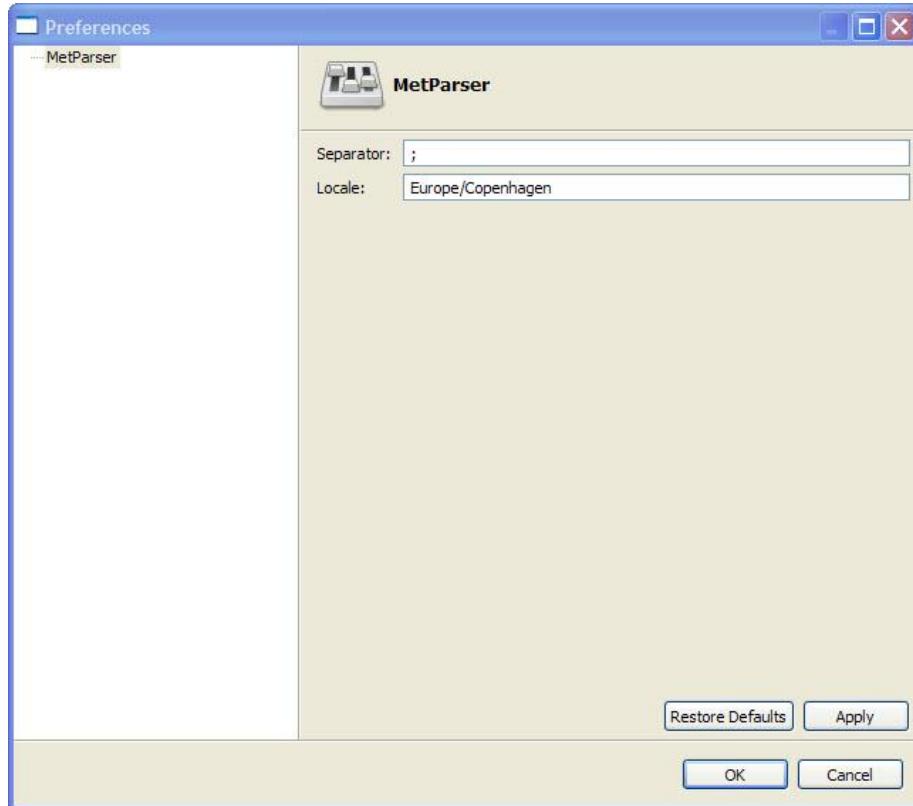
How to use:

Prior to the first use, you have to update the program with your current timezone:

1. Open <Edit> -> <Preferences>



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2. Fill in the desired separator for the CSV file (";" is the default separator in Excel (Europe)) - this way you can directly open the file in Excel just by double-clicking it
3. Fill in your locale time zone (find the right time zone table below. By filling in the right zone instead of the GMT offset, you'll have the right change of DST (Daylight saving time))
4. Click Apply
5. Go to <File> -> <Open> to browse to the desired "known.met" file and click "Open"
6. The parsed data will be shown in the grid



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Donkey .met parser (1.3.2)													
File	Edit	Help	Filename	Filesize in bytes	ED2K hash	Last written...	Hits	Accepted hits	Bytes uploaded	Upload priority	System c...	Time delta	Has part
New! Pedro 9Yo Tor...	262223208	71ca38be0db2ef9bb...	12. septe...	3760	328	91491728	1	12. septe...	0	true			
xxx Layla Jade - E...	39857624	165367310e61273b...	10. novem...	73	7	20544461	1	11. nove...	13	true			
Hot Young School ...	12394824	716dac5c0bf20272b...	14. septe...	141	18	12892036	1	5. oktobe...	508	true			
Junkmail - Viimeinen...	5688954	f0ababed3d3a792f0...	1. februar ...	18	4	20753262	1	17. marts ...	1085	true			
(XDVD)-Brotherhood...	103147524	cbea8ba6b919362...	7. novemb...	356	139	702327541	1	30. janua...	2016	true			
Illegal cute 12 year...	40424840	1aea05faa946f8447...	25. oktobe...	140	0	0	1	18. septe...	25	true			
Eurovision 1988 (S...	1258616832	bb4544e25006e2e6...	17. septe...	170	72	425462369	1	14. augus...	1504	false			
My Sister On Webcam...	11093374	d6fbaf1f98efb7bdfcf...	10. novem...	116	7	0	1	14. nove...	86	true			
Eppu Normaali-Sadan...	94086263	73876ced91b894adc...	27. februa...	3	2	0	1	5. marts 2...	168	true			
Stargate SG-1 9x20 Cam...	427022336	f6a3c9813974310ad...	14. septe...	5503	1285	39355961	1	8. oktobe...	584	true			
Elokuva - Lasten - ...	244066416	5004101746762b53...	23. novem...	26	17	22504909	1	30. nove...	165	true			
The Suite Life Of Z...	186340682	397e1be56eaab76a...	12. juni 20...	416	217	1134685396	5	14. augus...	1504	false			
!!!! Bb1,2 Incomplete Zad...	49787152	c56407b1bef228e8f...	1. oktober...	496	23	1886539	1	5. oktobe...	105	true			
R Ygold 6Yo With D...	272384000	f0c387d826f28cd45...	30. novem...	70	17	58958452	1	30. nove...	16	true			
Jope.Ruonansuu...-Washir...	52921773	4cc206e8b3093e61...	1. marts 2...	64	54	181569799	1	17. marts ...	400	true			
Irwin Goodman - R...	41902825	52cf4312b8491131...	4. oktober...	14	2	5457920	1	8. oktobe...	97	true			
Jukka Poika ja Jenk...	7146859	f7fb09840aab20fc...	3. august ...	0	0	0	1	14. augus...	264	true			
Prison Break 2x13 ...	375108000	9b3f60185ed5fd0f7...	3. juli 200...	9	5	1125508320	5	5. oktobe...	2246	false			
Stargate SG-1.10x...	366485504	9708861d8440250e...	4. septem...	127	43	72256532	1	5. septem...	32	true			
Purchase.url	82	f20c73666f3e04b5b...	26. juli 20...	0	0	0	1	5. septem...	18506	false			
Finnish - Karraoake ...	96155648	a69616edabaf208...	7. oktober...	0	0	0	1	8. oktobe...	32	true			
Olipa Kerran Avaru...	179378176	ef68e7348c2d4dde3...	24. decem...	117	59	485346674	1	30. janua...	882	true			
Jukka-Poika ja Jenk...	8550515	18a019c37a3216a1...	3. august ...	1	0	0	1	14. augus...	264	true			
Stargate SG-1.10x...	353208310	bdb7c7b762ee27d8...	4. septem...	260	92	293293104	1	7. septem...	50	true			
Bridge Builder 3 - P...	23453617	f83cf5ab42b403486...	29. august ...	15	1	0	1	5. septem...	166	true			
shemale dick licked ...	20340	c74cd17a7fb9f1547...	15. septe...	0	0	0	1						
PCM.db	40960	65d097e456555ab2...	25. maj 20...	0	0	0	5	30. janua...	6006	false			
Brotherhood of Ma...	77119656	4e54342a3265e2e8...	10. februa...	56	45	419946925	1	17. marts ...	876	true			
1957 The Eurovisio...	637764900	4f5ce7102e8cb7637...	27. septe...	200	80	145083663	1	5. oktobe...	198	true			

7. Choose <File> -> <Export> - Select filename and path, and click "Save"

8. Double click the new CSV file and view the data

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	
1	Filename	Filesize in bytes	ED2K hash	Last written time	Hits	Accepted	Bytes uplc	Upload pr	System check time	Time delta	Has part
2	New! Pedro 9Yo Tori 006 Ls...	262223208	71ca38be0db2ef9bb...	12-09-2007 05:32	3760	328	91491728	1	12-09-2007 05:21	-638000	true
3	xxx Layla Jade - Extreme A...	39857624	165367310e61273b...	10-11-2007 09:55	73	7	20544461	1	11-11-2007 00:49	53626000	true
4	Hot Young School Girls [eu...	12394824	716dac5c0bf20272b...	14-09-2007 04:26	141	18	12892036	1	05-10-2007 09:58	1834327000	true
5	Junkmail - Viimeinen Puh...	5688954	f0ababed3d3a792f0...	01-02-2008 15:07	18	4	20753262	1	17-03-2008 21:30	3910965000	true
6	(XDVD)-Brotherhood Of N...	103147524	cbea8ba6b919362...	07-11-2007 14:11	356	139	7,02E+08	1	30-01-2008 15:22	7261822000	true
7	Illegal cute 12 year old be...	40424840	1aea05faa946f8447...	25-10-2007 19:52	140	0	0	1		null	true
8	Eurovision 1988 (Sslo actu...	1258616832	bb4544e25006e2e6...	17-09-2007 10:21	170	72	4,25E+08	1	18-09-2007 12:21	93607000	true
9	My Sister On Webcam Nal...	11093374	d6fbaf1f98efb7bdfcf...	10-11-2007 17:29	116	7	0	1	14-11-2007 09:21	316318000	true
10	Eppu Normaali-Sadan Vu...	94086263	73876ced91b894adc...	27-02-2008 18:06	3	2	0	1	05-03-2008 19:32	609976000	true
11	Stargate SG-1 9x20 Camel...	427022336	f6a3c9813974310ad...	14-09-2007 01:59	5503	1285	39355961	1	08-10-2007 11:08	2106517000	true
12	Elokuva - Lasten - Tintti Ja...	244066416	5004101746762b53...	23-11-2007 21:44	26	17	22504909	1	30-11-2007 20:30	600326000	true
13	The Suite Life Of Zack Anc...	186340682	397e1be56eaab76a...	12-06-2007 19:35	416	217	1,13E+09	5	14-08-2007 13:10	5420065000	false
14	!!!! Bb1,2 Incomplete Zad...	49787152	c56407b1bef228e8f...	30-09-2007 23:42	496	23	1886539	1	05-10-2007 10:42	385168000	true
15	R Ygold 6Yo With Dad Ince...	272384000	f0c387d826f28cd45...	30-11-2007 01:54	70	17	58958452	1	30-11-2007 19:18	62648000	true
16	Jope.Ruonansuu...-Washir...	52921773	4cc206e8b...	01-03-2008 04:12	64	54	1,82E+08	1	17-03-2008 21:31	1444755000	true
17	Irwin Goodman - Reeteesti...	41902825	52cfa4312...	04-10-2007 09:12	14	2	5457920	1	08-10-2007 11:17	353082000	true
18	Jukka Poika ja Jenkkarekk...	7146859	f7fb09840aab20fc...	03-08-2007 13:56	0	0	0	1	14-08-2007 15:46	957009000	true
19	Prison Break 2x13 Money...	375108000	9b3f60185...	03-07-2007 18:59	9	5	1,13E+09	5	05-10-2007 10:01	8089294000	false

Please notice that the parser shows the "TimeDelta" in minutes - while Excell shows the same time in seconds (this due to an internal calculation mode within Excell)



Explanation to the different fields

Fieldname	Meaning	Notes
Filename	The name of the file, that the user has clicked on when searching	
File size in bytes	Size of file in bytes	
eD2K Hash value	The eDonkey hash value of the file	For files smaller than 9500 bytes, this value is the same as the MD4 hash value of the file
Last Written	The time when the file was fully downloaded	If the file has been shared "manually" by the user, will this time/date be the original "Last Written" timestamp - see further under the "Has Part" part later on
Hits	The number of hits on the file from the eD2K/KAD network	
Accepted hits	Number of accepted hits, where the eDonkey client "grants" access to download data from the desired file	
Bytes uploadet	The accumulated (total) upload from this specific file	
Upload priority	The upload priority of the file (05 - Auto is default)	00 00 00 00: Low 01 00 00 00: Normal 02 00 00 00: High 03 00 00 00: Release 04 00 00 00: Very Low 05 00 00 00: Auto



		If the Upload priority has been changed from Auto, it shows, that the user has done this manually to the file (in the "Shared files" pane he has selected the file, right-clicked it and changed the priority)
SystemCheckTime	<p>When eMule connects to the network, the program checks whether the individual file is still in the shared folders. If the file is present, eMule will try to post the file on the KAD network. If the file in question has insufficient sources, the file will be posted and the actual date/time (in GMT) will be updated. On the other hand, if there are insufficient sources on the KAD network, the file will not be posted (in order to prevent flooding). Instead the file is given a time and date stamp ("reposting time") which is actual time + 5 hours (GMT).</p> <p>When the new time comes, the process will be repeated. If there is a shortage of sources, the file is posted with the actual time (GMT) or else the file will get a new "reposting time", which again is actual time + 5 hours.</p> <p>This means that when examining "known.met" it is possible to determine for how long time the individual file has been shared (+/- 5 hours) – even if the file has been removed or deleted from the shared folders.</p>	
TimeDelta	The amount of time, that the file has been shared	When transferring the data from the parser to the CSV file, and opening it, the shown amount of time will change from minutes to seconds. In rare cases you will get a negative amount of time - see note further down



Has Part	When a file is downloaded through eMule, the entry in "known.met" will contain a reference to the temporary ".part" file. If this entry is not present, the file has not been downloaded through eMule (at least not the present installation)	True/false indicates whether there is a reference to the ".part" file
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Ocurrence of "negative TimeDelta"

In rare cases occurrences of negative values will appear, when parsing af "known.met" file. This happens when a larger file is being downloaded. When sufficient data is available ("chunks") they are shared on the network in the same way as full downloaded files. The available "chunks" gets a "SystemCheckTime" stamp, while the "LastWritten" timestamp NOT is present in the "known.met" file until the full file has been downloaded.

Scenario:

The user selects a 500 Mb file for download at 13:00 GMT present day. During the download he obtains several full "data chunks" that are set as shared. Every time the file gets a "SystemCheckTime" timestamp. At 15:30 GMT present day the file gets the last "SystemCheckTime", and at 16:00 GMT the file is fully downloaded. The entry in the "known.met" file is created with "Last Written" as 16:00 GMT present day. The user removes the file from the shared folder before next "SystemCheckTime" is stamped into the file.

When parsing this file the "TimeDelta" will be negative as it is calculated as a subtraction of the "LastWritten" from "SystemCheckTime".

Even if you have a negative "TimeDelta" you can have a large amount of hits, accepted hits and upload of data

Finding data of interest in unallocated clusters

When you are making an examination - try to use the following GREP search (EnCase version)



\x03\x01\x00\x51.{4,4}\x03\x01\x00\x52

This GREP searches for parts of the entries in "known.met"

This search is specifically searching for the "Number of hits from the network" (the tag 03010051) - then followed by the actual number of hits - which is stated in the next 4 bytes (unknown data) and then followed by the "Number of accepted hits" (the tag 03010052)

When you have finished this search, you might get a lot of hits (as each entry in the known.met file has these tags).

How to analyze data found in unallocated clusters

Using EnCase you might get searchhits like below when using the GREP search shown above:



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Same data shown in WinHEX - the GREP search is here shown in red/yellow/green



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Offset	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
00000000	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	
00000016	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	
00000032	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	00	02	E9	01	45	06	03	
00000048	01	00	50	00	40	0B	00	03	01	00	54	00	00	00	03	
00000064	01	00	51	B2	00	00	00	03	01	00	52	02	00	00	03	
00000080	01	00	19	05	00	00	00	02	01	00	27	20	00	47	58	
00000096	4E	55	4C	4C	49	57	53	41	57	49	50	44	57	53	4A	
00000112	44	43	32	49	34	5A	59	53	47	49	4F	51	58	03	01	
00000128	21	ED	A0	F5	49	02	01	00	12	08	00	30	35	36	2E	
00000144	61	72	74	4C	9F	F0	49	83	0D	98	7C	D7	C7	9A	5F	
00000160	17	16	3F	2D	4A	7C	6E	06	00	ED	52	EA	77	DE	A3	
UNIXTimestamps "Last Written"	76	2A	8A	E5	DB	57	69	17	CF	EC	B7	BF	EB	1A	8B	
	92	CA	F7	E8	0D	02	8A	11	1B	C0	18	06	F8	48	BC	
	98	BC	2D	11	FD	EA	AE	1A	E0	FD	86	CB	94	0E	D5	
Reference to .partfile	00000224	DA	BF	99	EA	78	24	34	03	0A	F7	AB	6A	12	08	
	00000240	61	3E	A4	61	E9	1C	52	F6	FA	9B	D0	BC	E1	10	
	00000256	11	4E	E1	DF	AF	06	61	1E	2E	0A	00	00	02	01	
	00000320	01	54	00	46	64	73	61	37	2D	20	31	30	59	6F	
	00000336	73	79	66	61	6E	20	4C	6F	6C	69	74	61	67	75	
	00000352	4C	73	6D	20	50	74	68	63	20	42	61	62	79	68	
	00000368	76	69	64	2E	77	6D	76	03	01	00	02	1C	E0	E7	
	00000384	01	00	50	93	1E	4F	00	03	01	00	54	00	00	00	
	00000400	01	00	19	05	00	00	00	02	01	00	27	20	00	53	
	00000416	48	50	37	58	56	43	36	42	51	33	4A	51	34	34	
	00000432	59	48	96	45	48	58	53	4C	54	43	46	41	36	03	
	00000448	21	55	9B	E5	49	02	01	00	12	08	00	30	39	32	
	00000464	61	72	74	7B	C9	F0	49	6F	D3	A8	62	01	56	60	
	00000480	CB	8E	95	3B	89	0F	F2	00	00	0E	00	00	02	01	
	00000496	01	49	00	5B	62	6F	79	2B	6D	61	6E	5D	20	53	
	00000512	57	20	4D	4F	54	49	4F	4E	20	21	20	52	65	61	
	00000528	79	20	48	4F	54	20	21	20	2D	20	53	65	72	65	
	00000544	52	75	73	73	69	61	6E	20	31	30	79	6F	20	4C	
	00000560	6B	20	61	20	44	69	63	6B	2E	61	76	69	03	01	
	00000576	EE	D2	33	00	03	01	00	50	00	D0	02	00	03	01	
	00000592	00	00	00	00	03	01	00	51	3F	00	00	00	03	01	
	00000608	01	00	00	00	03	01	00	19	05	00	00	00	02	01	
	00000624	20	00	5A	56	43	57	53	4F	95	4C	34	55	48	42	
	00000640	36	4C	49	51	57	44	53	50	40	52	49	58	42	57	
	00000656	57	52	03	01	00	21	86	A0	F5	49	03	01	00	22	
	00000672	00	00	02	01	00	12	08	00	30	36	33	2E	70	61	
	00000688	03	01	00	D3	1A	00	00	00	02	01	00	D5	04	00	
	00000704	35	30	03	01	00	D4	ED	03	00	00	0A	6E	F1	49	
	00000720	17	44	3A	D0	BE	49	D6	1E	0E	AD	98	74	7B	E6	
	00000736	10	8E	0D	A6	DA	D3	99	5B	27	A5	21	67	C0	A6	
	00000752	7A	8A	8C	57	6C	C6	B3	D1	A1	5B	9F	E2	18	1E	

NOTE: Both String and Numeric META-Tags
(and belonging data) after the "part file" reference

UNIX Timestamps
"Last Written" – start of new entry



Which data to copy out?

Offset	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15	
000000000	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	
000000016	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	
000000032	00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 02 E9 01 45 06 03	
000000048	01 00 50 00 40 0B 00 03 01 00 54 00 00 00 00 00 03	
000000064	01 00 51 B2 00 00 00 03 01 00 52 02 00 00 00 00 03	
Start the copying 5 bytes prior to the UNIX "last Written" timestamp		00 00 00 02 01 00 27 20 00 47 47 58
		57 53 41 57 49 50 44 57 53 4A 4A
		4 5A 59 53 47 49 4F 51 58 03 01 00
		02 01 00 12 08 00 30 35 36 2E 70
00000144	61 72 74 4C 9F F0 49 83 0D 98 7C D7 C7 9A 5F B3	
00000160	17 16 3F 2D 4A 7C 6E 06 00 ED 52 EA 77 DE A3 4D	
00000176	2A 8A E5 DB 57 69 17 CF EC B7 BF EB 1A 8B B1 8E	
UNIX "last Written" timestamp start byte		CA F7 E8 0D 02 8A 11 1B C0 18 06 F8 48 BC 53 75
		BC 2D 11 FD EA AE 1A E0 FD 86 CB 94 0E D5 E5 46
		DA BF 99 EA 78 24 34 03 0A F7 AB 6A 12 08 5C F0
		61 3E A4 61 E9 1C 52 F6 FA 9B D0 BC E1 10 47 C5
00000256	11 4E E1 DF AF 06 61 1E 2E 0A 00 00 00 02 01 00	NáB" a
00000272	01 54 00 46 64 73 61 37 2D 20 31 30 59 6F 20 47	T.Fdsat- 10Yo G
00000288	69 72 6C 20 41 6E 64 20 36 59 6F 20 42 6F 79 20	irl And 6Yo Boy
00000304	50 65 64 6F 20 52 40 59 67 6F 6C 64 20 48 75 73	Pedo R@Ygold Hus
00000320	73 79 66 61 6E 20 4C 6F 6C 69 74 61 67 75 79 20	syfan Lolitaquy
00000336	4C 73 6D 20 50 74 68 63 20 42 61 62 79 73 68 69	Lsm Pthc Babyshi
00000352	76 69 64 2E 77 6D 76 03 01 00 02 1C E0 E7 02 03	vid.wmv äc
00000368	01 00 50 93 1E 4F 00 03 01 00 54 00 00 00 00 00 03	P! O T
00000384	01 00 51 90 03 00 00 03 01 00 52 03 00 00 00 00 03	Q! R
00000400	01 00 19 05 00 00 00 02 01 00 27 20 00 53 55 36	' SU6
00000416	48 50 37 58 56 43 36 42 51 33 4A 51 34 34 34 53	HP7XVC6BQ3JQ444S
00000432	59 48 56 45 48 58 53 4C 54 43 46 41 36 03 01 00	YHVEHXSLTCFA6
00000448	21 55 9E F5 49 02 01 00 12 08 00 30 39 32 2E 70	!U!SI 092 p
00000464	61 72 74 7B C9 F0 49 6F D3 A8 62 01 56 60 7F 15	art(E8IoÓ b V!)
00000480	CB 8E 95 3B 89 0F F2 00 00 0E 00 00 00 02 01 00	E!..! ö
00000496	01 49 00 5B 62 6F 79 2B 6D 61 6E 5D 20 53 4C 4F	I [boy+man] SLO
00000512	57 20 4D 4F 54 49 4F 4E 20 21 20 52 65 61 6C 60	W MOTION ! Reall
00000528	79 20 48 4F 54 20 21 20 2D 20 53 65 72 67 65 20	y HOT ! - Serge
00000544	52 75 73 73 69 61 6E 20 31 30 79 6F 20 4C 69 63	Russian 10yo Lic
00000560	6B 20 61 20 44 69 63 6B 2E 61 76 69 03 01 00 02	k a Dick avi
00000576	EE D2 33 00 03 01 00 50 00 D0 02 00 03 01 00 54	iO3 P D T
00000592	00 00 00 00 03 01 00 51 3F 00 00 00 03 01 00 52	... Q? R
00000608	01 00 00 00 03 01 00 19 05 00 00 00 02 01 00 27	'
00000624	20 00 5A 56 43 57 53 4F 55 4C 34 55 48 42 48 52	ZVCWSOUL4UHBHR
00000640	36 4C 49 51 57 44 53 50 4C 52 49 58 42 57 52 36	6LIQWDSPRLIXBWR6
00000656	57 52 03 01 00 21 86 A0 F5 49 03 01 00 22 01 00	WR ! ! SI "
00000672	00 00 02 01 00 12 08 00 30 36 33 2E 70 61 72 74	... 063.part
00000688	03 01 00 D3 1A 00 00 00 02 01 00 D5 04 00 64 78	_0_0_dx
00000704	35 30 03 01 00 D4 ED 03 00 00 OA 6E F1 49 CA 66	50_0i_nñlEf
00000720	17 44 3A D0 BF 49 D6 1E 0E AD 98 74 7B E6 0A 00	.D:ĐčIÖ..-It{æ..
00000736	10 8E 0D A6 DA D3 99 5B 27 A5 21 67 C0 A6 F9 5F	.!..!Ó!['*!gÀ!ù_
00000752	7A 8A 8C 57 6C C6 B3 D1 A1 5B 9F E2 18 1E 03 97	z!!W1g!Nir!a...!

Stop copying prior the last found UNIX "last written" timestamp. Right before this timestamp you either find a reference to a ".part" file – or data belonging to a META-tag (in this case the META tag is "030100D4" and the belonging data is "ED030000")



How to export the data into a new file

The screenshot shows a hex editor interface with a large amount of binary data on the right. A specific range of bytes is selected, highlighted in red. On the left, an 'Export' dialog box is open, containing the following settings:

- Selection:**
 - Entire Logical View (radio button)
 - Entire Physical View
 - Custom Range (radio button, selected)
- Output:**
 - Exact Binary Image (radio button)
 - As shown on screen
- Output File:** Unallocated.met
- Append to existing file:** (checkbox)

The 'Start' field is set to 142 and the 'Length' field is set to 572.

Below the dialog box, the selected data is shown in the hex editor's main pane, starting at address 142 and ending at address 199.

Right-click the selected data and choose "Export"

Choose the Output file and path (somthing.met) and click "ok"

The data will now be exported into a ".met" file.

Open DonkeyMet Parser, and parse the new file



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Donkey .met parser (1.3.2)											
Filename	Filesize in bytes	ED2K hash	Last writ...	Hits	Accepted hits	Bytes uploaded	U...	System ch...	Time delta	Has part	
Fdsa7- 10Yo Girl And 6Yo Boy Pedo ...	48750620	830d987cd...	23. april ...	912	3	5185171	5	27. april 2...	92	true	
[boy+man] SLOW MOTION ! Really ...	3396334	6fd3a8620...	23. april ...	63	1	184320	5	27. april 2...	90	true	

This is how to parse data found in unallocated clusters

It's possible to use other tools to extract the binary data - find your own way to use these tools :-)



LimeWire

What version of LimeWire is examined?

The following information is based on examination of LimWire v. 5.1.3 – basic version. This is the current newest version of LimeWire (june 2009) – and it has some significant changes compared to the 4.x versions. The differences to earlier versions will not be mentioned.

LimeWire is a P2P client connecting to the Gnutella network.

The client comes in 2 different versions:

- LimeWire Basic
- LimeWire Pro

The “Basic version” is free, while the “Pro version” costs aprox. 35 UD\$ a year

The text given below has been taken directly from the official homepage of LimeWire on www.limewire.com

About LimeWire

LimeWire is the world's most popular peer-to-peer file-sharing program. With over 70 million unique monthly users, the software is downloaded hundreds of thousands of times every day and boasts millions of active users at any given moment. LimeWire uses the BitTorrent protocol and the Gnutella network to provide an unparalleled searches and download speed to the user. As always, LimeWire takes the security of its users very seriously and will never bundle spyware, adware, or viruses

The Company

Founded in 2000 by CEO Mark Gorton, Lime Wire is a leader of innovative peer-to-peer software development and solutions in the file sharing industry. We develop powerful, sophisticated software offering an unparalleled user experience. Our signature products, LimeWire BASIC and



LimeWire PRO, run on the decentralized Gnutella Network and are among the world's most popular peer-to-peer file sharing applications. More recently we've launched the LimeWire Store, a digital media store, and are working on a number of projects to help further connect Lime Wire's peer-to-peer community. Interested in joining Lime Wire? Read about our open positions here.

What is LimeWire?

LimeWire is a peer-to-peer file sharing program that connects to the Gnutella network and enables users to search for and download files from other users. It is not a web site or a service, and Lime Wire does not provide any of the content found on the network. LimeWire enables you to share your files with millions of other LimeWire users, and vice versa, so there is always a diverse selection of files available.

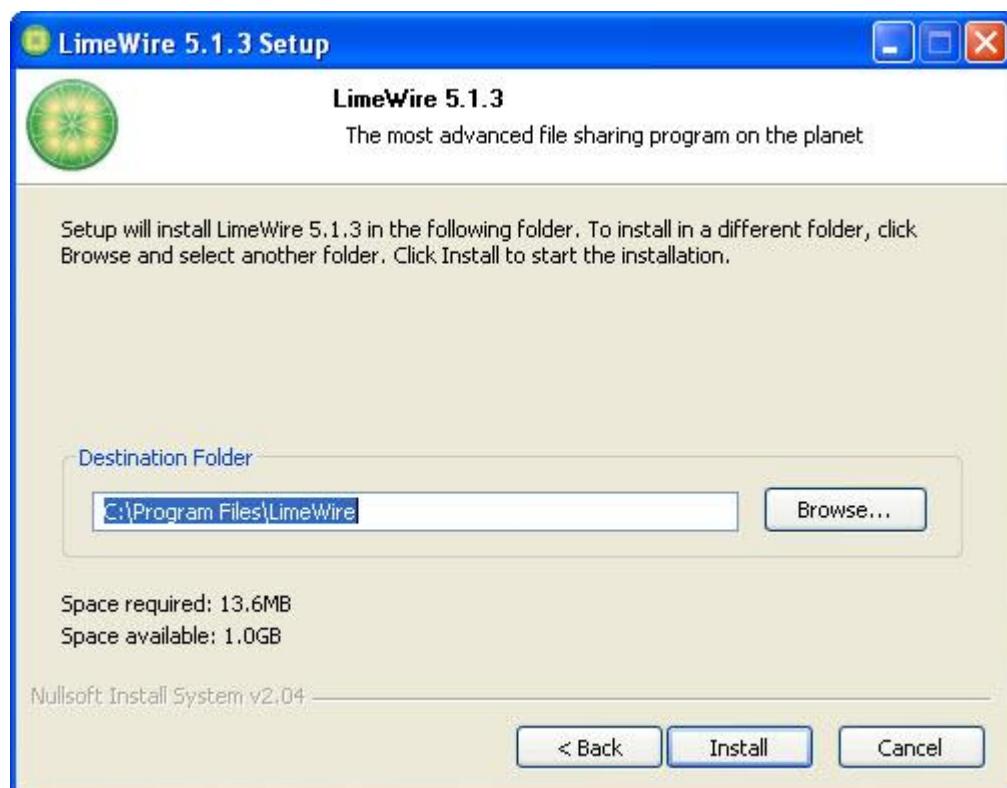
Installation

The following screenshots shows a standard installation of LimeWire 5.1.3 Basic version (free)



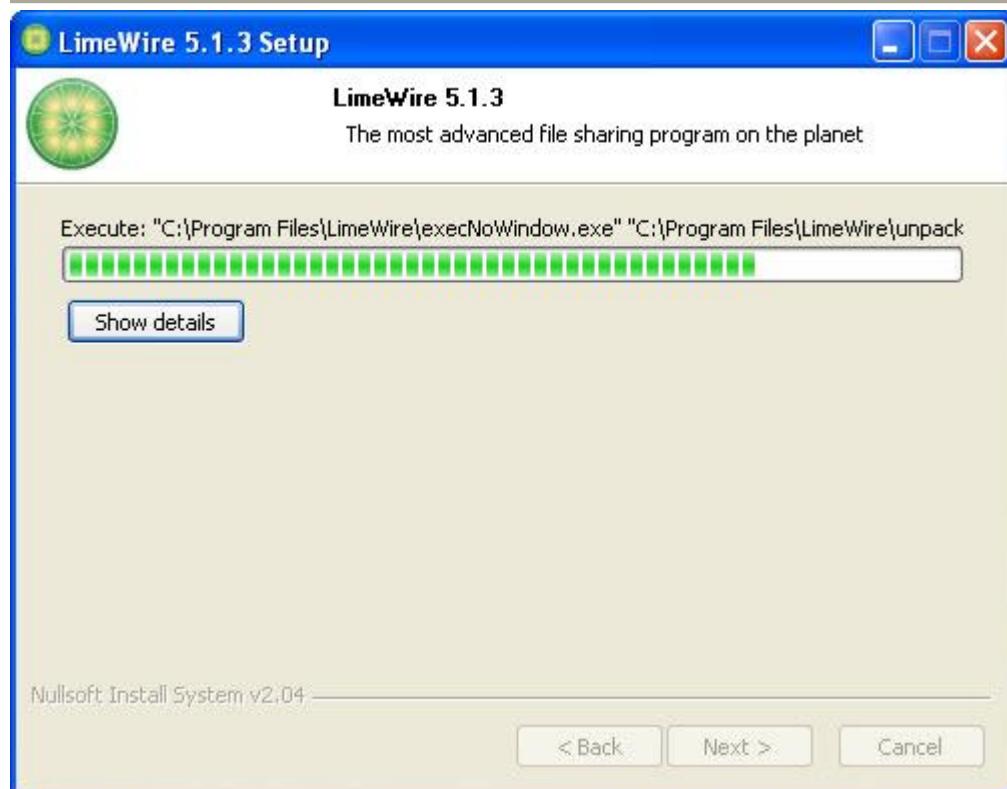


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Setup - step 1 of 2

Please take a minute to configure these options before moving on.

Content Filters

- Don't let me download or upload files copyright owners request not be shared.
[Learn more](#)

File Associations and Startup

- Associate .magnet and .torrent files with LimeWire
 Launch LimeWire at Startup

Continue



Setup - step 2 of 2

My Library is where you view, share and unshare your files.

Automatically add files to My Library, but don't share any files

Have LimeWire automatically add files from My Documents and the Desktop to My Library.

Manually add files to My Library, but don't share any files

Select the folders and categories LimeWire automatically adds to My Library.

You can change this later from Tools > Options

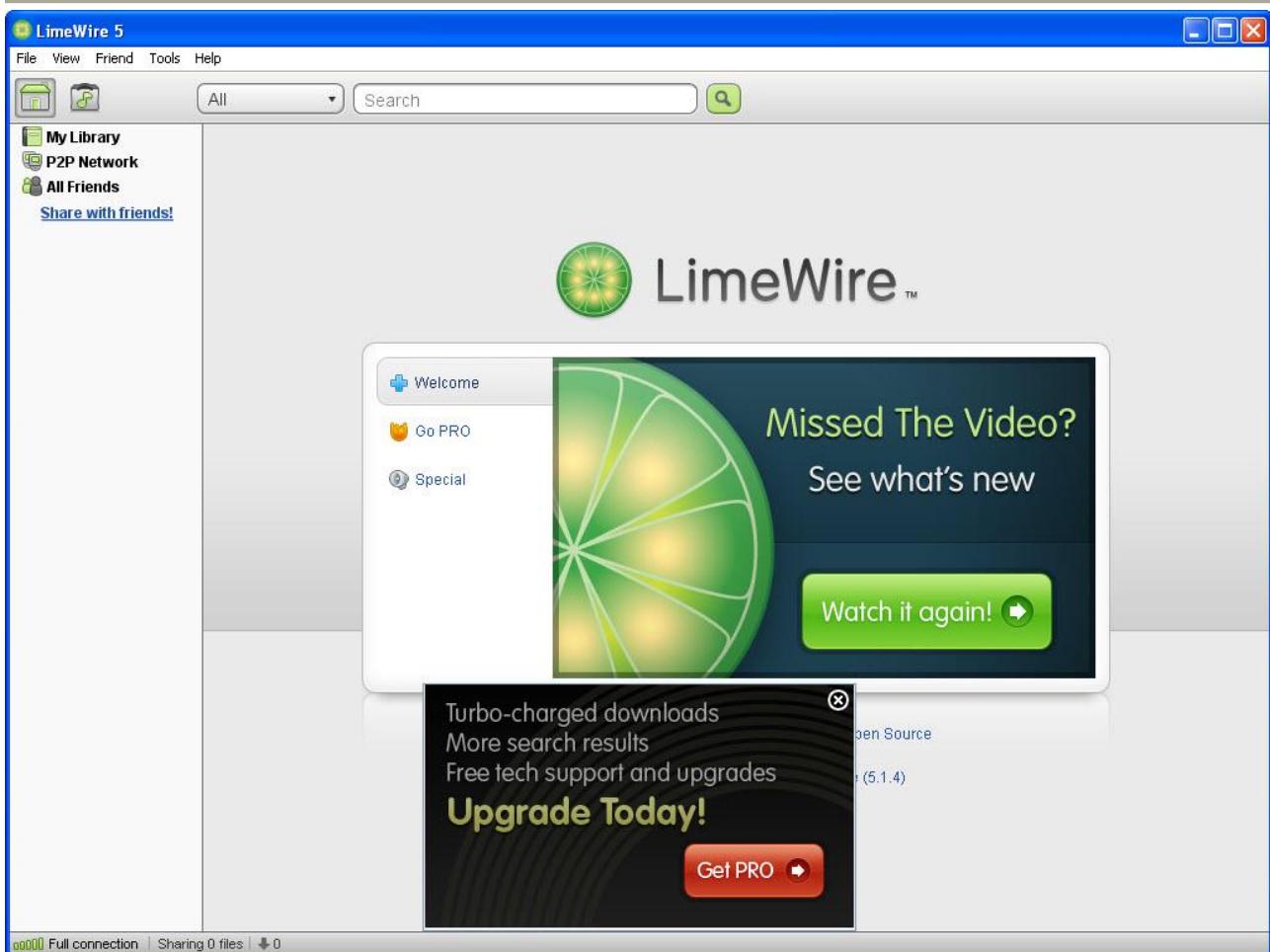
[Go back](#)

[Finish](#)

NOTE: Files downloaded with LimeWire are automatically shared on the P2P network – in spite of the setting shown !!

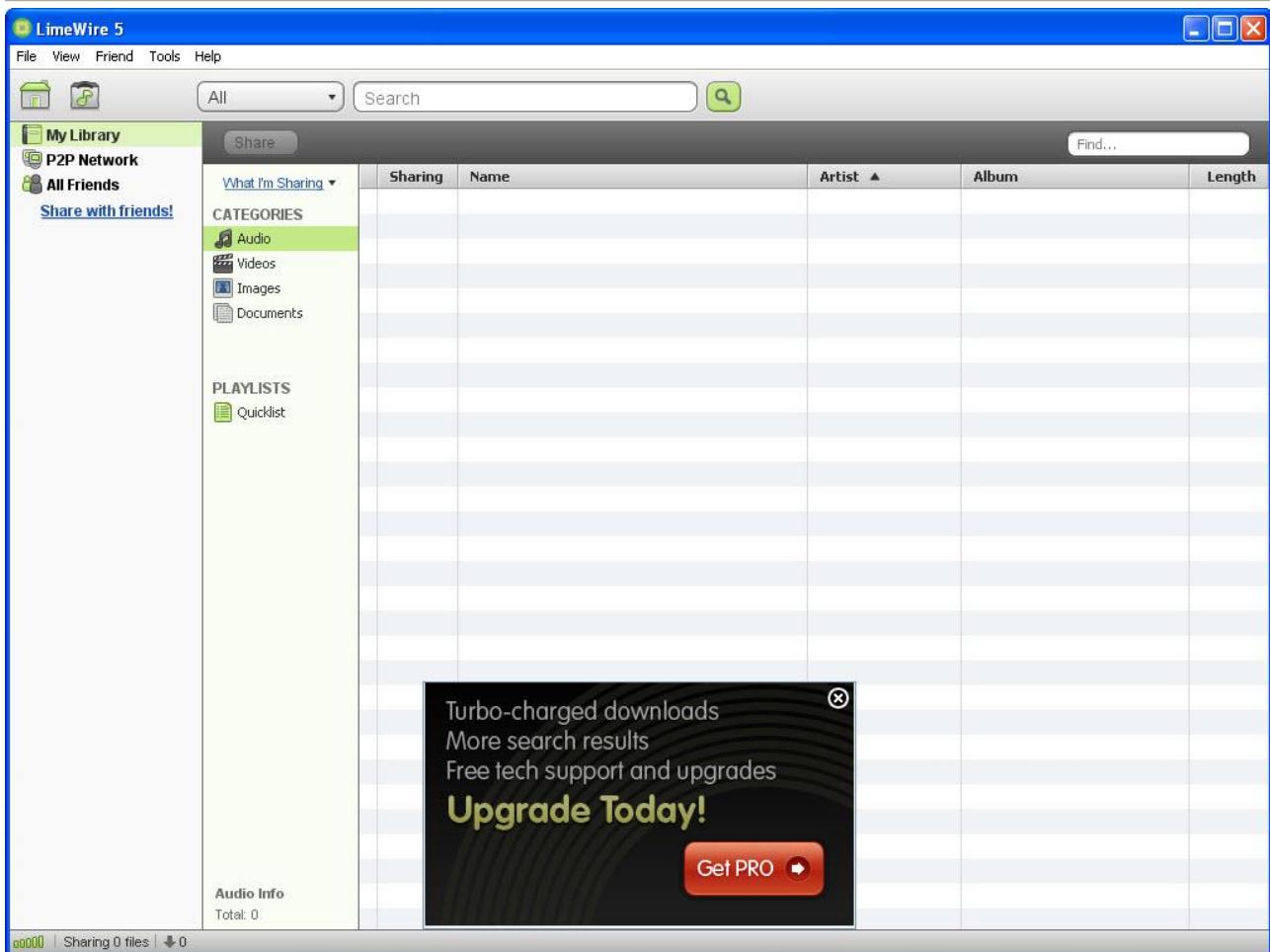


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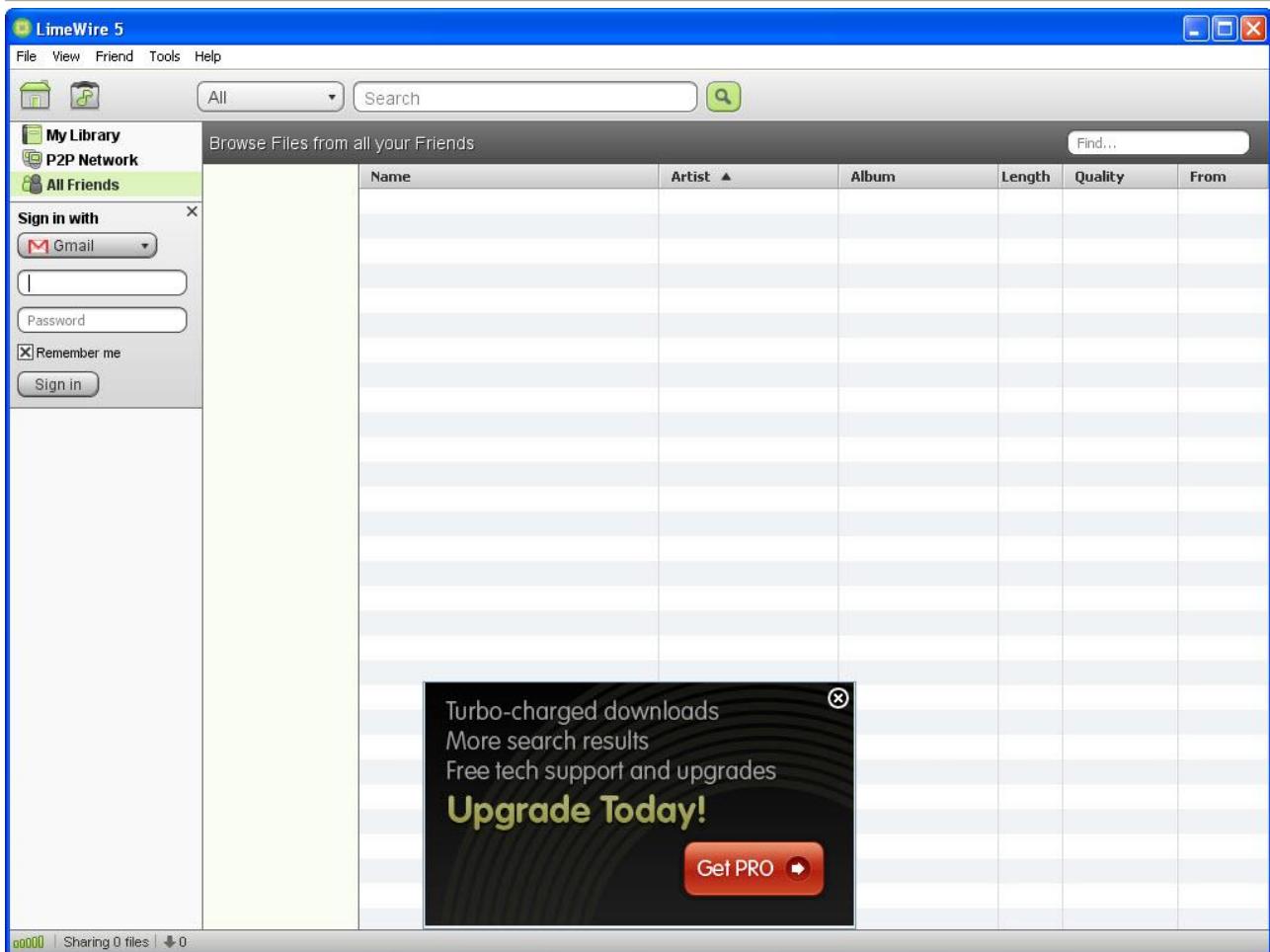


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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 application window. The menu bar includes File, View, Friend, Tools, and Help. The toolbar has icons for Home, Library, and Search. The left sidebar shows 'My Library' (selected), 'P2P Network' (highlighted in green), and 'All Friends'. A 'Share' button and a search bar are at the top. The main area displays a table titled 'What I'm Sharing With P2P Network' with columns for Categories, Sharing, Name, Artist, Album, and Length. A message bubble says 'No files shared with the P2P Network' and 'Show All Files'. A central advertisement box for 'Upgrade Today!' offers 'Turbo-charged downloads', 'More search results', and 'Free tech support and upgrades'. It features a 'Get PRO' button.



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WIKI information from the LimeWire website

The following information is taken from the LimeWire WIKI
(http://wiki.limewire.org/index.php?title=Main_Page)

Browse files is a way to see all the files someone who appears in a search result is sharing. Click the down arrow next to '1 P2P User', '# P2P Users', 'Friend' or even 'People' to browse which files are shared.

'Friend' appears if you are using Friends and a contact has a file which matches your search. On the other hand, 'People' might appear if a friend and other people on the P2P Network are sharing the file.



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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 application window. The menu bar includes File, View, Friend, Tools, and Help. The toolbar has icons for My Library, P2P Network, and All Friends, along with a Share with friends! link. The search bar at the top right contains the text 'LimeWire'. The main area displays a list of search results titled 'Program results (24)'. Each result row contains a thumbnail icon, the file name, its size, the number of P2P users sharing it, and a link to the file. A green callout box highlights a result for 'LimeWireWin4.18.8.exe' with the text 'View Files of LongDove27-197'.

File Name	Size	Share Count	Link
LimeWireWin4.18.8.exe	4.67 MB	78	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.16.6.exe	4.30 MB	24	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.18.6.exe	4.67 MB	11	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.14.8.exe	3.22 MB	7	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.18.3.exe	4.67 MB	7	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.14.10.exe	3.22 MB	6	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.16.7.exe	4.29 MB	4	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.12.6.exe	2.92 MB	3	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.18.2.exe	4.67 MB	3	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.18.5.exe	4.67 MB	3	P2P Users
LimeWire.exe	144 KB	2	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.12.11.exe	2.95 MB	2	P2P Users
LimeWireWin4.14.12.exe	3.22 MB	2	P2P Users

or with the Classic View



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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 application window. The menu bar includes File, View, Friend, Tools, and Help. The toolbar has icons for My Library, P2P Network, and All Friends. A sidebar on the left lists 'My Library', 'P2P Network', and 'All Friends'. Below the sidebar is a link 'Share with friends!'. The main area is titled 'Program results (24)' and contains a table with columns: From, Name, Size, Extension, and C... (partially visible). The table lists various file entries from different users, such as 'LimeWireWin4.18.8' and 'limewire'. A context menu is open over a row for 'View Files of LongDove27-197', showing options like 'View Files of LongDove27-197' and 'View Files of MidnightElephant143-128'. The status bar at the bottom shows 'Sharing 0 files' and '0'.

Then when you select a person to browse, the library is shown on the Sidebar under On LimeWire:

Download

Download a search result through LimeWire by clicking on the file name.

Downloads from the P2P Network are automatically shared, as specified in your Options. On the other hand, downloads from Friends are not shared automatically.



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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 interface. The search bar at the top contains the query "Monkey on a skateboard". Below the search bar, the results are displayed under the heading "Image results (14)". Each result is a thumbnail with the file name, download date, and a "P2P User" status indicator. The results include various images of monkeys and skateboards.

File Name	Download Date	Status
Monkey business.jpg	8/27/2008	P2P User
Monkey climbing a tree.bmp	12/8/1993	P2P User
Monkey don't make good programmers.jpg	4/28/1992	P2P User
Monkey eating a banana.jpg	12/8/1992	P2P User
Monkey in outer space.bmp	12/8/2003	P2P User
Monkey in the middle.gif	12/28/2003	P2P User
Monkey Madness.png	1/28/2008	P2P User
Monkey making a mess.jpg	12/28/1992	P2P User
monkey near a skateboard.jpg	5/28/1995	P2P User
Monkey on a skateboard.bmp	4/28/2003	P2P User
Monkey wrench to the head.jpg	2/28/2003	P2P User
skateboard half-pipe.bmp	4/28/1995	P2P User
skateboard jumping over a monkey.bmp	4/28/1994	P2P User

When you click a search result to download, the search results shows an arrow and adds "Downloading" to the search result. At the bottom of the screen is the status of your last few downloads.



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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 interface. The search bar at the top contains the query "Monkey on a skateboard". Below the search bar, the results are displayed under the heading "Image results (14)". The results list various files found on P2P users, each with a thumbnail preview, file name, date, and a "P2P User" status indicator. One file, "monkey near a skateboard.jpg", is currently being downloaded, indicated by a green progress bar at the bottom left. At the bottom right, there is a link to "Show all".

When the file finishes downloading, the down arrow becomes a book icon to show it's in My Library. If you double-click the book icon or single-click the underlined 'My Library', LimeWire takes you to My Library and selects the file.

[Monkey on a skateboard.bmp](#) is in [My Library](#).

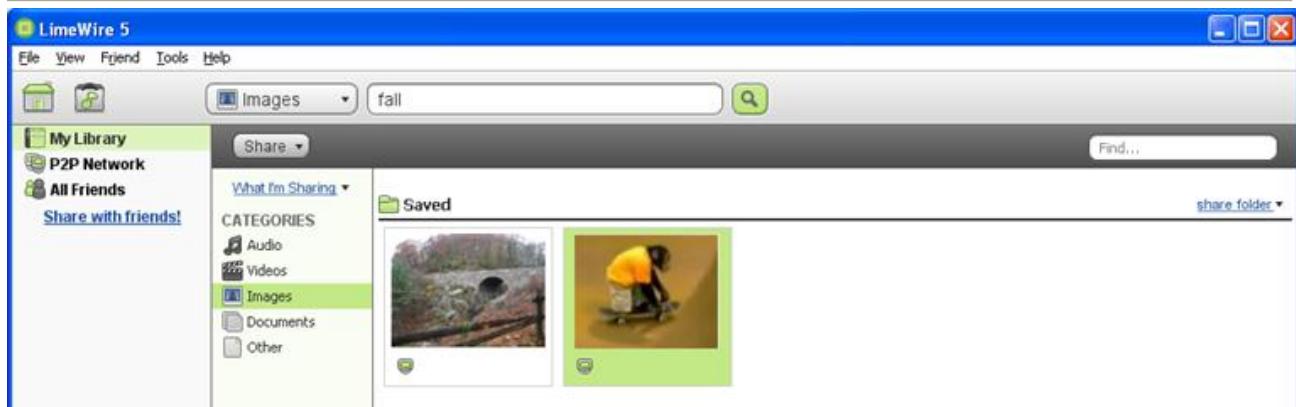
Additionally, you can click Show all from the search results to see all your downloads along with more detailed information:

The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 interface with the "Downloads" tab selected. It displays a list of files currently being downloaded, including "Monkey on a skateboard.bmp". Each download entry includes a thumbnail, the file name, a progress bar, and download statistics. A "Clear Finished" button is visible at the top right of the download list.

Here's a thumbnail view of the monkey image in My Library:



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Here's a list of Downloads with different progress:

File Name	Status	Progress	Time Left	Actions
Monkey on ice skates	Downloading	200 bytes of 4 KB (56 KB/s)	1:14 left	Pause, Stop
Psychology 101 Lecture 3	Downloading	260 bytes of 446 bytes (56 KB/s)	0:03 left	Pause, Stop
New England Foliage.bmp	Done	-	-	Launch, Stop
Psychology 101 Lecture 2.avi	Waiting	- Starting in 2:46:39	-	Stop
Psychology 101 Lecture 1	Warning	Unable to download: There is a disk problem	-	Remove, Stop
Psychology 102 Lecture 1	Connecting	-	-	Stop
Cancun.bmp	Stalled	111 KB of 227 KB (48%)	-	Try Again, Stop

- Monkey on ice skates - Downloading
- Psychology 101 Lecture 3 - Downloading
- New England Foliage.bmp - Done. You can launch the file to check it out.
- Psychology 101 Lecture 2.avi - Waiting. LimeWire will attempt to download the file after a time period. You might receive this message if the computer who is sharing the file has a limit



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on how many people can download at once so you have to wait your turn. Also, you might have reached a limit of how many downloads you can start at once.

- Psychology 101 Lecture 1 - Unable to download. Remove it and try searching again. The file you are trying to download might have a problem.
- Psychology 102 Lecture 1 - Connecting. Your computer is attempting to connect to the computer that has this file. If your computer can't connect, the download becomes Stalled.
- Cancun.bmp - Stalled. You should click Try again so your computer will again attempt to connect to a computer with the file. Between starting and finishing the download, the computer sharing the file might have shut down. You can either cancel the download (clicking on the x), try again or wait.

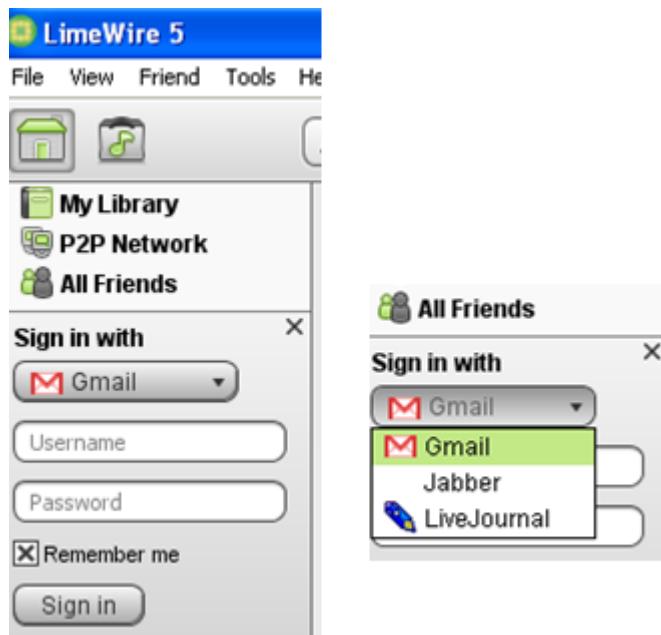
The Friends feature is a way for you to use an account to get a list of contacts who you can share files from My Library and, or chat.

The accounts use an open standard (XMPP) which maintains lists of contacts per account.

Note: Signing in with an account and password through LimeWire doesn't give you, nor anyone else access to your email or your account information. Signing in with the email account only lets you see your contacts who you can then either share files with, or download files your friends are sharing with you.

You can add a friend to your contact two ways:

1. send and receive an email from a friend with your email account
2. add the friend's account through LimeWire. Then your friend must accept you as a friend through his account or through LimeWire. Similarly, you would need to accept a friend through LimeWire or your email account if he added you as a friend.





Browse Files from a friend

Here Abby shared an image, 'Quabbin Reservoir MA 2.JPG' which you downloaded as shown by the book icon:

Browse files from Abby

Images	Name
	Quabbin Reservoir MA 2.JPG

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All Search Find...

My Library P2P Network All Friends LimeBuddyChris@gmail.c... Options Sign Out On LimeWire Abby Offline Dan

Browse files from Abby

Images	Name	Extension	Size
	Quabbin Reservoir MA 2.JPG	JPG	451 KB

Images Info Total: 1

Sharing 4 files | 0 Chat

LimeWire PRO comes with FREE tech support.

You can get a list of all the files your friends are currently sharing with you through All Friends:



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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 application window. The left sidebar includes 'My Library', 'P2P Network', 'All Friends' (which is selected), and sections for 'limebuddychris@gmail.com', 'Options', and 'Sign Out'. The main area is titled 'Browse Files from all your Friends' and shows a table of shared files. The table has columns for 'Name', 'Extension', 'Size', and 'From'. Two files are listed: '42ndSubwaystatue.JPG' (JPG, 1.92 MB, 1 Friend) and 'Quabbin Reservoir MA 2.JPG' (JPG, 451 KB, 1 Friend). At the bottom left, it says 'Images Info Total: 2'. The bottom status bar shows 'Sharing 4 files' and '00000'.

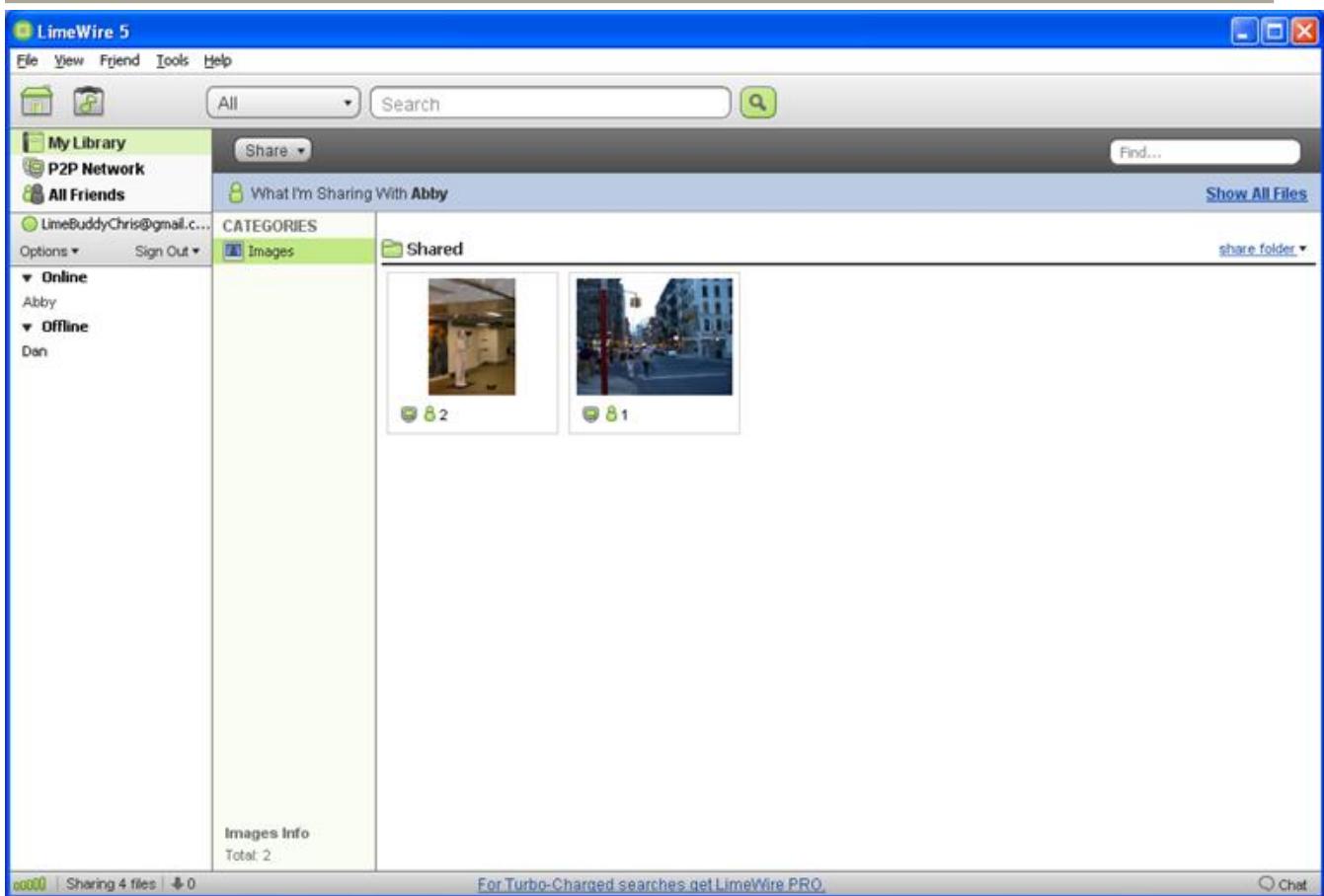
Images	Name	Extension	Size	From
	42ndSubwaystatue.JPG	JPG	1.92 MB	1 Friend ▾
	Quabbin Reservoir MA 2.JPG	JPG	451 KB	1 Friend ▾

What I'm Sharing With

Here you can see you decided to share a picture of a man posing as a statue and a night scene at the Feast of San Gennaro with Abby.



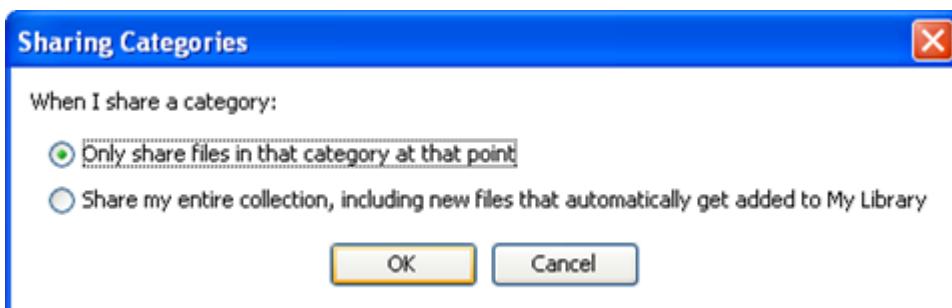
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Sharing Categories

You can share all the files in a category, either current snapshot of files, or the current snapshot plus future files. Through Options, you can select how to share all the files in your audio, images, video or documents categories.

Note: Changing your Sharing Categories setting makes all previous category shares with friends a snapshot share.

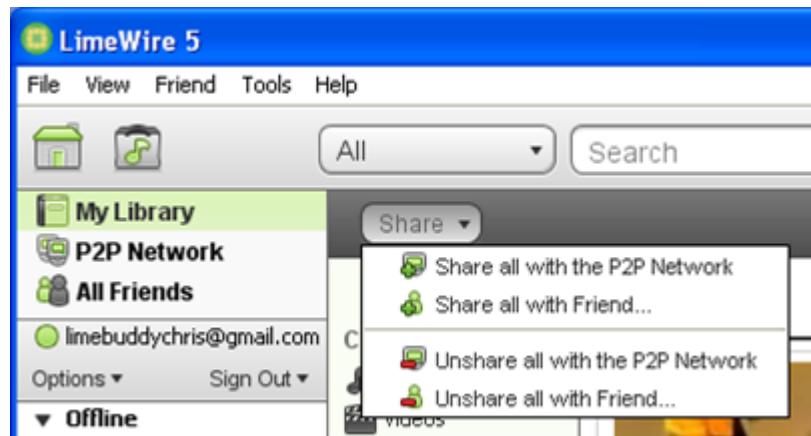




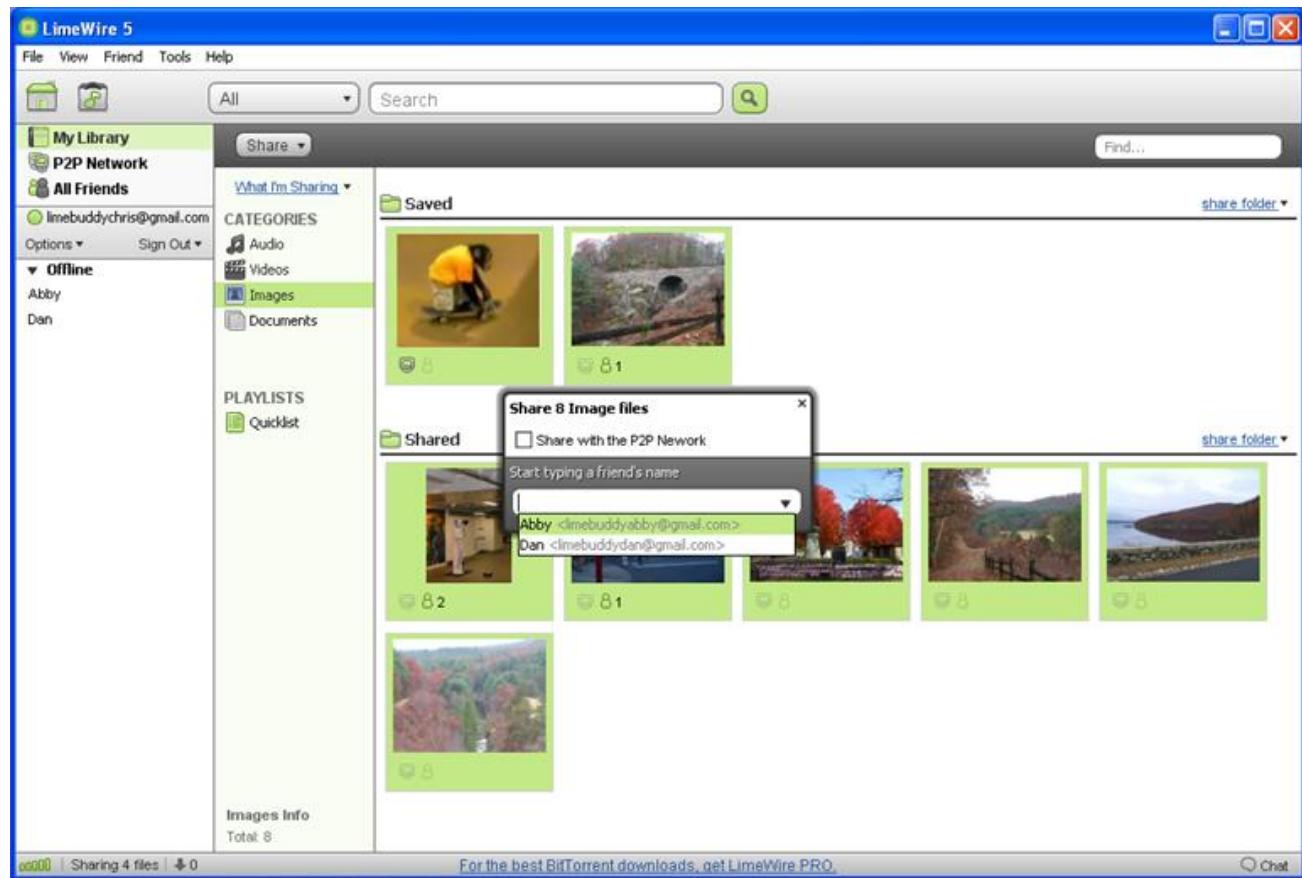
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Snapshot

From My Library, select a file category (either Audio, Videos, Images or Documents), then click 'Share' and select 'Share all with Friend...'.



Then all the files in your image category are selected and the Share Widget appears to add friends:



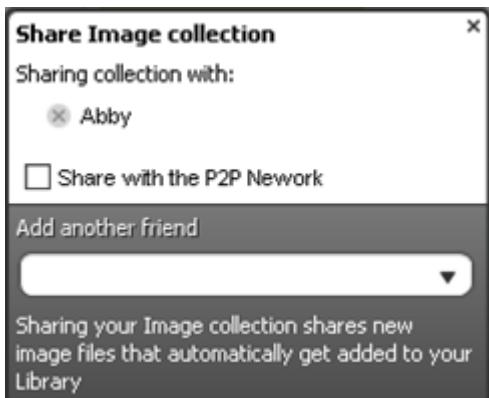


Snapshot plus future files

Additionally, you can share the current and future files you add to My Library in your audio, image or video category with your friends.

For example, you decide to share your image category with Abby, along with future downloads. After you find and download another image of the Quabbin, whether from a friend or the P2P Network, that file is automatically shared with Abby.

To share all files in a category including new files, you need to make a change in the Tools > Options. Then from My Library, highlight a file category, then click 'Share' and select 'Share all with a Friend...' to get the collection share widget:



To show you are sharing future files, My Library states 'Sharing Collection: 1':



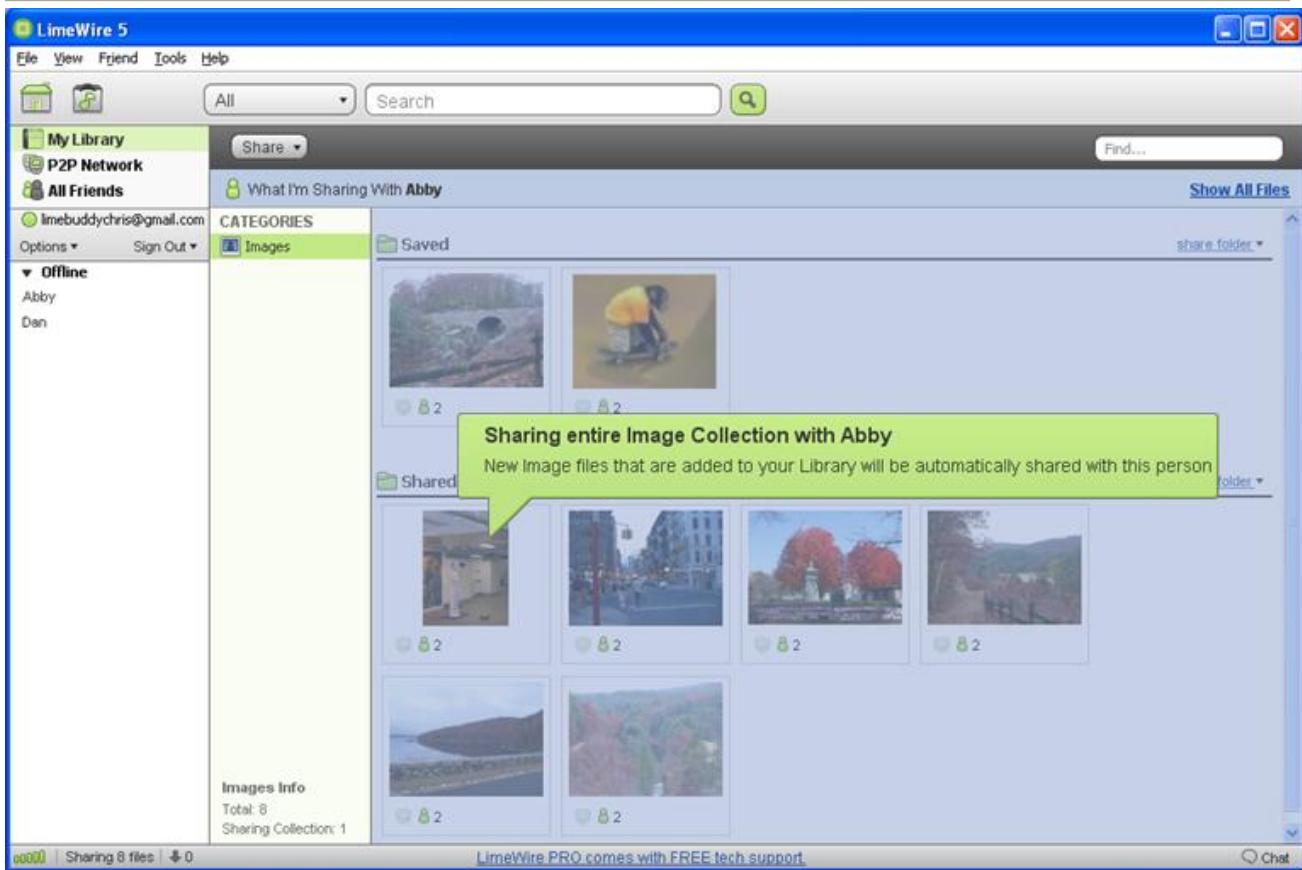
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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with 'My Library' (highlighted), 'P2P Network', 'All Friends', and account info ('limebuddychris@gmail.com'). It also shows 'Offline' users Abby and Dan. The main area has a 'Share' dropdown and a search bar. Below it, 'What I'm Sharing' is selected. Under 'Saved', there are two items: a person on a skateboard and a bridge over water. Under 'Shared', there are five items: a hallway, a city street, autumn trees, a landscape, and another landscape. A red box highlights the 'Images Info' section at the bottom left, which says 'Total: 8' and 'Sharing Collection: 1'. The status bar at the bottom shows 'Sharing 8 files'.

Also, if you see 'What I'm Sharing' with a friend through My Library, you get a notification you are sharing future files:



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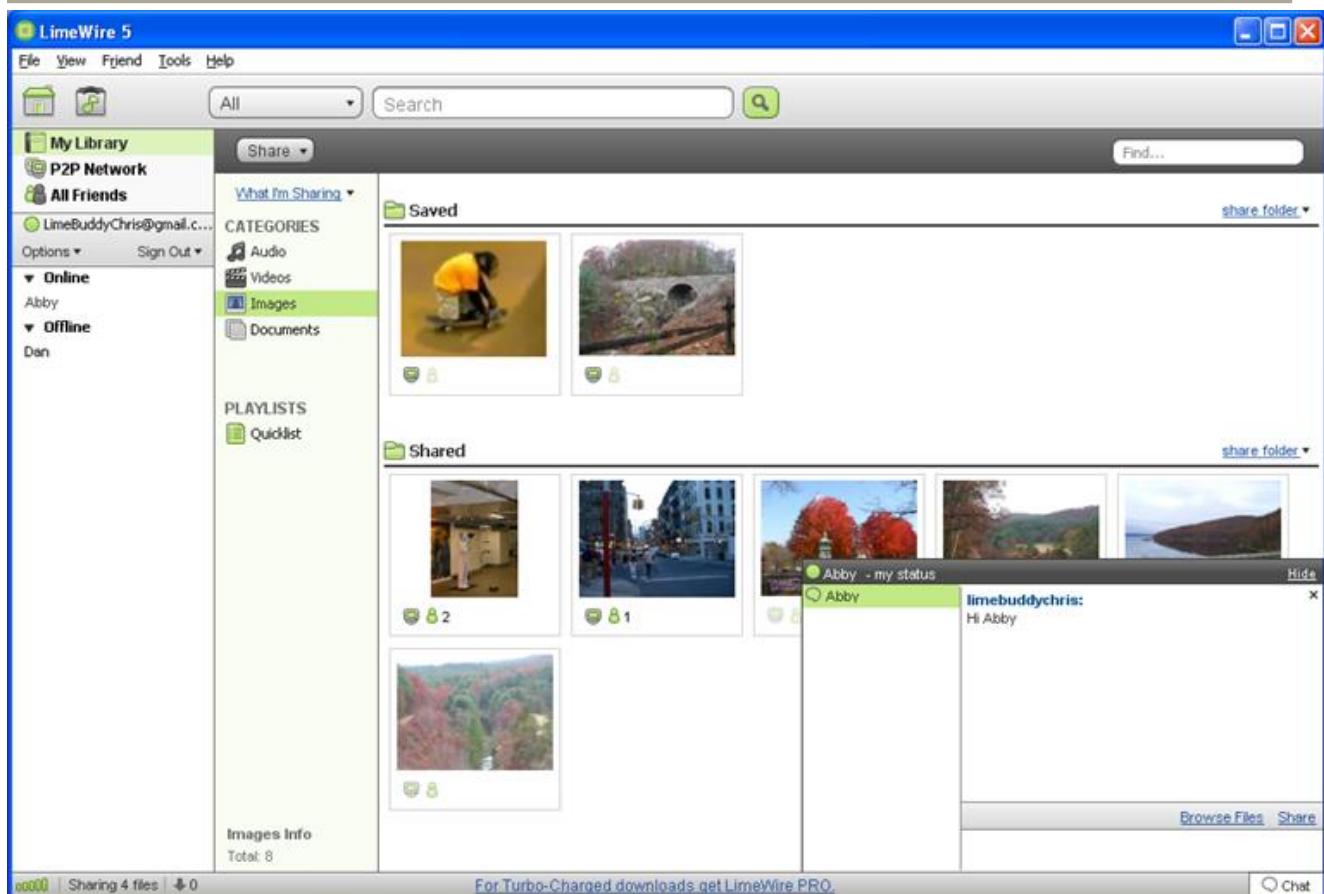
Chat

You can chat with friends whether they are 'On LimeWire' or 'Online'. A friend could be signed into their account, for example checking their email, without being 'On LimeWire'. You can use LimeWire to chat with your friend even if he isn't 'On LimeWire'.

Highlight a friend from the Sidebar, right click (control click) and select 'Chat':



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Supported accounts

LimeWire supports the following accounts:

Google's Gmail(tm)* webmail service

Hot-Chilli

Jabber.ru (r),

JabberES

Jabberim

LiveJournal (r)

MacJabber.de

Domain names

For the active list of Jabber serices, see <http://www.jabber.org/web/Services>

Enter the following in the Domain name depending on your account:

- binaryfreedom.info
- darkdna.net
- im.apinc.org
- im.flosoft.biz



- im.thiessen.it
- jabber.ccc.de
- jabber.hot-chilli.net
- jabber.org
- jabber.rootbash.com
- jabber.se
- jabberes.org
- jabster.pl
- macjabber.de
- programmer-art.org
- swissjabber.ch

My Library

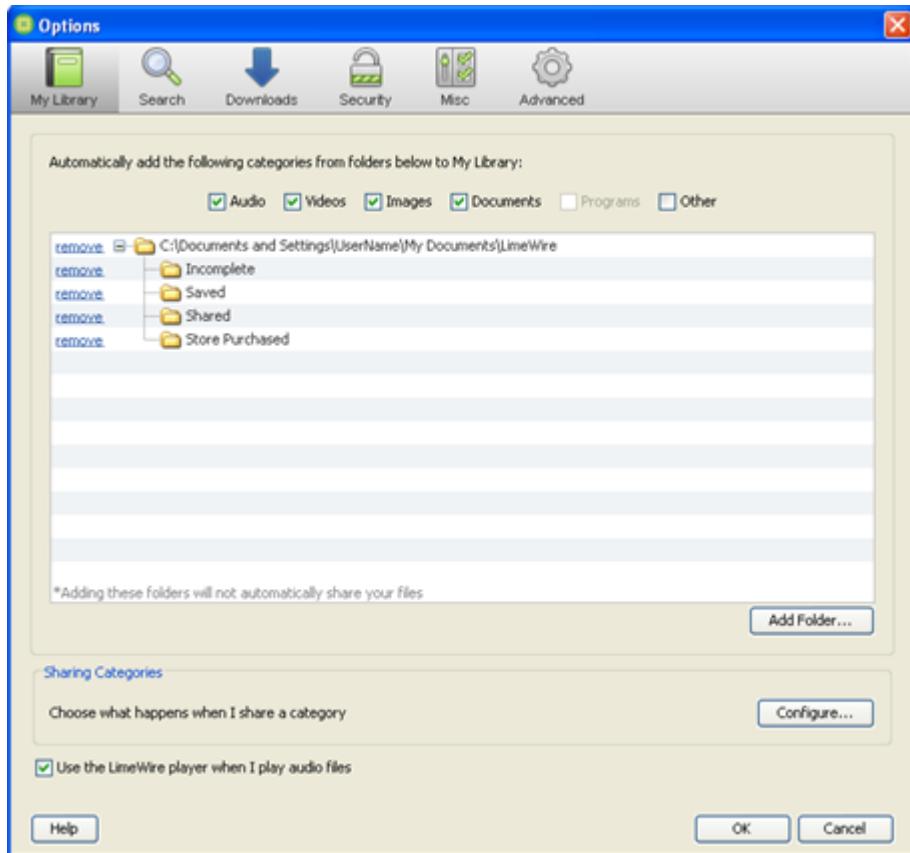
My Library is the central location to view or share files with LimeWire. These are files you either told LimeWire to watch, or downloaded from the P2P Network or the LimeWire Store. Files and folders you add to My Library aren't automatically shared with the P2P Network unless you previously shared them.

You can add files or folders to My Library if you select File > 'Add File to Library...' or 'Add Folder to Library...' in LimeWire.

Click on Tools > Options (Preferences > Options), My Library to see which files and folders you want LimeWire to manage:



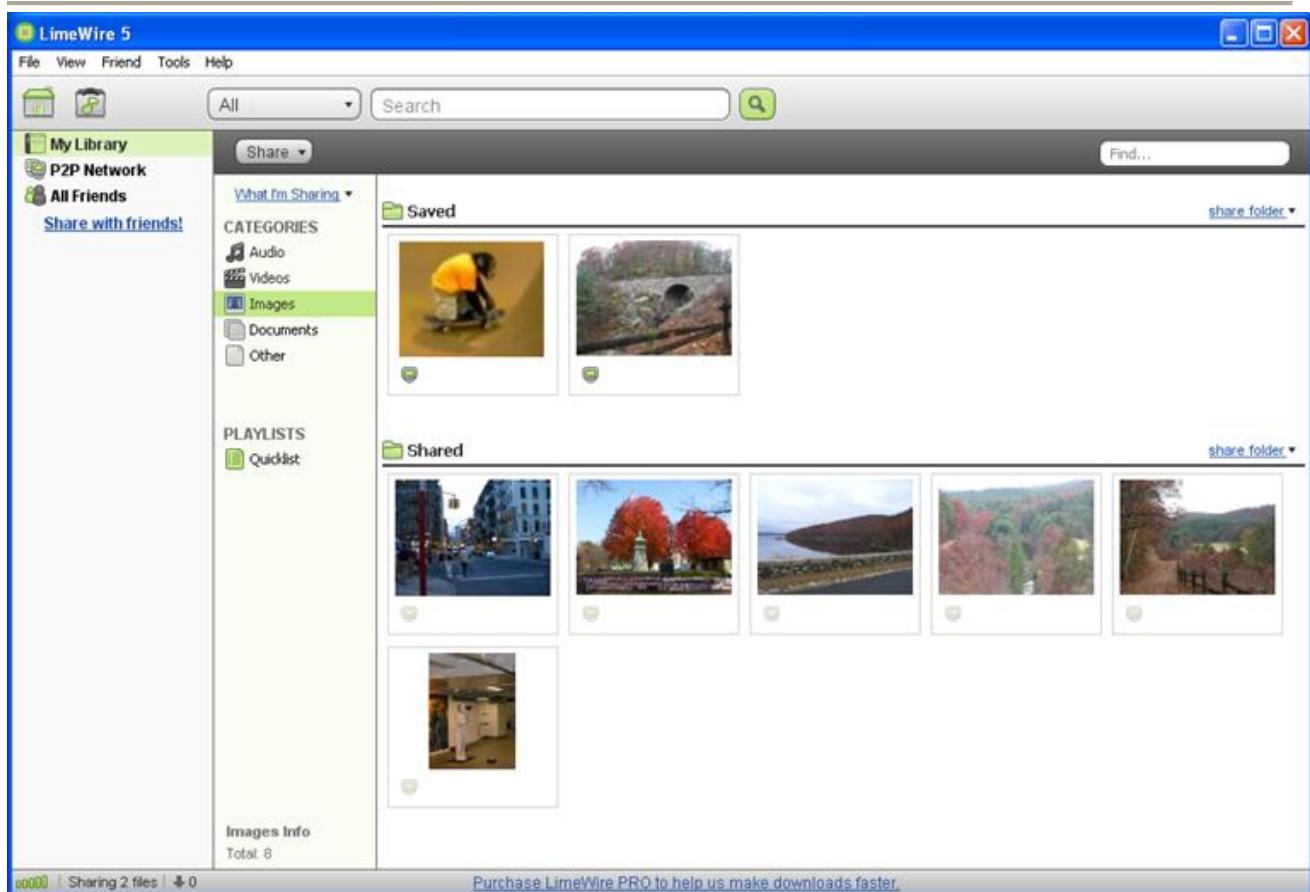
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Here are files in the Images category of My Library:



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If you right-click (Control-click) you can get more options:



Here's the Videos category of My Library:



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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 application window. The left sidebar has links for 'My Library' (highlighted in green), 'P2P Network', 'All Friends', and 'Share with friends!'. A dropdown menu 'What I'm Sharing' is open, showing 'Categories' like Audio, Videos (highlighted in green), Images, Documents, and Other. Below that is a 'PLAYLISTS' section with 'Quicklist'. The main area is a table titled 'Sharing' with columns for 'Name' and 'Length'. One file, 'MarathonRunner.mov', is listed. At the bottom left, it says 'Videos Info Total: 1'. The status bar at the bottom shows 'Sharing 2 files' and a download count of '0000'. A watermark 'Purchase LimeWire PRO to help us make downloads faster.' is visible.

Here are audio files in My Library:



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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 application window. On the left, there's a sidebar with icons for 'My Library' (selected), 'P2P Network', 'All Friends', and 'Share with friends!'. Below these are sections for 'What I'm Sharing' (with a dropdown menu), 'CATEGORIES' (Audio, Videos, Images, Documents, Other), and 'PLAYLISTS' (Quicklist). At the bottom of the sidebar, it says 'Audio Info' and 'Total: 10'. The main area is a table titled 'Sharing' with columns for 'Sharing', 'Name', 'Artist', 'Album', and 'Length'. The table lists 10 audio files. The first file is 'Hot Topic' by Le Tigre from the 'Limewire Store + CMJ present ...' album at 3:44. The last file listed is 'Conjur' by School of Seven Bells from the same album at 4:40.

Sharing	Name	Artist	Album	Length
	Hot Topic	Le Tigre	Limewire Store + CMJ present ...	3:44
	I Love You, But Goodbye	Langhorne Slim	Live at Lime with Langhorne Slim	2:55
	I Wanna (Live at Lime)	Matt & Kim	Grand	1:38
	The Sun Song	La Strada	NYC BANDS YOU NEED TO HE...	3:21
	Gorgeous Behavior	Marching Band	Limewire Store + CMJ present ...	4:30
	War and Peace	Ryuichi Sakamoto	Limewire Store + CMJ present ...	5:31
	Brackish Water	The Lisps	Limewire and L Magazine pres...	3:26
	Evident Utensil	Chairlift	Limewire Store + CMJ present ...	2:55
	Life Before Aesthetics	Denison Witmer	Limewire Store + CMJ present ...	3:16
	Conjur	School of Seven Bells	Limewire Store + CMJ present ...	4:40

You can narrow down files shown in My Library to display only files in My Library which match the filter. The filter searches information known about the files, including information listed in 'View More Info...'.

For example, filtering for 'CMJ' shows:



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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 application window. The menu bar includes File, View, Friend, Tools, and Help. The toolbar has icons for My Library, P2P Network, and All Friends. A search bar with a dropdown set to 'All' and a search button is present. On the left, a sidebar has 'My Library' selected, followed by 'P2P Network' and 'All Friends'. Below these are 'Share with friends!', 'What I'm Sharing' (with a dropdown), 'CATEGORIES' (with 'Audio' selected), 'PLAYLISTS' (with 'Quicklist'), and 'Audio Info' (Total: 10). The main pane displays a table of shared files:

Sharing	Name	Artist	Album	Length
Hot Topic	Le Tigre	LimeWire Store + CMJ present ...	3:44	
Gorgeous Behavior	Marching Band	LimeWire Store + CMJ present ...	4:30	
War and Peace	Ryuichi Sakamoto	LimeWire Store + CMJ present ...	5:31	
Evident Utensil	Chairlift	LimeWire Store + CMJ present ...	2:55	
Life Before Aesthetics	Denison Witmer	LimeWire Store + CMJ present ...	3:16	
Connjur	School of Seven Bells	LimeWire Store + CMJ present ...	4:40	

At the bottom, status bars show 'Sharing 2 files' and 'For Turbo-Charged downloads get LimeWire PRO.'

Options

The Options dialog box has tabs for 'My Library', 'Search', 'Downloads', 'Security', 'Misc', and 'Advanced'. The 'My Library' tab is currently selected.

My Library



Use My Library to set which folders you want LimeWire to look for files to manage.

Note: Files in My Library aren't shared automatically.

Once LimeWire adds a file to My Library, you have a central location to find files on your computer. Here you can share files with the Person to Person (P2P) Network your Friends, or both.

Click Add Folder to add folders to scan.



Additionally, you can control which file categories LimeWire adds to My Library.

File category

LimeWire groups files into categories based on the files' extensions. The categories are:

- audio (may only have sound)
- documents (may have words, numbers, images and sometimes sounds and videos)
- images (may have pictures)
- programs (may have computer instructions; for example LimeWire is a program)
- other (Since there are thousands of file extensions used with computers, it's impossible for LimeWire to group every file extension into a type. This category includes extensions LimeWire isn't sure where to put.)
- video (may have sound, pictures and video)

For example, 'sailboat.JPG' is the name of an image file. The file extension, 'JPG', is a common extension for files with pictures so LimeWire puts all files with the extension 'JPG' (and 'jpg') into the image file category.

You can click Manage in the Tools > Options > Advanced > Files option to see the file categories for each file extension.

File extension

The file extension is the letters and, or numbers after the dot in a file name. For example, the file extension for the file name 'sailboat.JPG' is 'JPG'.

File extensions help you figure out what category the file is (audio, document, image, program or videos).

Sharing Categories

You can share a category of files in My Library (Audio, Images or Videos) in two ways:

- Snapshot
- Snapshot plus future files in that category

A snapshot are all the files you currently have in that category. This is a quick way to share all files of a particular category in all folders in My Library.

On the other hand, a snapshot also includes any files you may add to My Library in the future. For example, when share your image collection with a friend, then all images which LimeWire lists in My Library are shared with him. Then if you download an image of a 'Monkey on a skateboard', then the monkey file is automatically shared with that friend. Also, if you add an image of a cute cat to My Library, then it too is shared with your friend who you shared the image collection.



LimeWire player

You can either use the LimeWire player when you launch audio files from LimeWire, or use another player on your computer.

Search



Search bar

You can set which file category to search. For example, if you only want to search for images, you can set that here.

Also, you can Group similar search results together. Based on the available data, LimeWire groups search results that appear to be similar. For example, if the network has two files, Simon_Short_Story.txt and Simon.txt (both have similar content, like they are the same size and the same file extension), then when you search for "Simon Short Story", both results are grouped.

For example, the search result for 'LimeWire' returned:

limewire(5).props1 1 KB	2 People ▾	
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When you click on the plus sign, you see two additional files which are similar.

limewire(5).props1 1 KB	2 People ▾	
limewire.props 22 bytes	1 People ▾	
limewire(3).props 1 KB	1 People ▾	

Downloads





Saving

Before LimeWire starts downloading a file, it checks if there is a file already with the same name. Checking this option tells LimeWire to add a number to avoid replacing the existing file with the new file.

For example, instead of replacing 'sailboat.JPG', LimeWire saves the download file as 'sailboat(1).JPG'.

Share files downloaded from the P2P Network with the P2P Network

This option gives other people the chance to download files you downloaded from the P2P Network. When you search using LimeWire you are actually searching the Gnutella network of computers. These computers create a person to person (P2P) connection of computers to allow you to share files.

Another download option is having LimeWire update your iTunes Library.

Also, LimeWire keeps a list of your recent downloads in File > Recent Downloads.

Security



Warning Messages

Unsafe Categories

In order to protect users from unknowingly downloading potentially harmful programs, LimeWire doesn't let you search for, or share programs by default. Known programs, like 'LimeWire' can be safe to download, however many times virus hide inside programs. Therefore, we recommend you don't download programs.

Additionally, to protect your personal information, LimeWire doesn't share Documents by default with the P2P Network. However, you can share documents with Friends. (See Manage Extensions for a list of document file extensions.)

Filtering

Don't show adult content in search results

Select this option to prevent common adult search results from appearing.

Additionally, you can add terms to Filter Keywords... to further restrict search results. For example, if you added 'ime' to the Filter Keywords... and then searched for 'limewire', you wouldn't see any search results with the letters 'ime'.



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The Filter File Extensions... prevents showing results with file extensions which could include viruses or cause harm to your computer.

Misc



You can set which language you'd like to see LimeWire's text use.

Notifications

A notification includes a dialog box that appears in the lower right corner of your monitor when you receive a chat message from a friend.

Friends and Chat

Like Google's Gmail(tm)* webmail service LimeWire uses the XMPP open standard for the Friends feature.

The Friends feature lets you send text messages to your friends, or to share files directly with friends. Your email account and messages are not accessible through the Friends feature and the password is encrypted to protect your privacy.

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Files

File Extensions

Here you can see how LimeWire groups file extensions into categories. For example, LimeWire puts all files with the file extension 'txt' into the Documents category.

Also, you can control what file extensions LimeWire recognizes for loading into My Library. If, for example, you decide to exclude MS Word documents from loading into your library, then remove the check.

Setting file extensions is a great way to control what files you share. For example, if you have sensitive information in MS Excel files, you might want to restrict sharing 'xls' and 'xlsx' extensions.



Download Folders

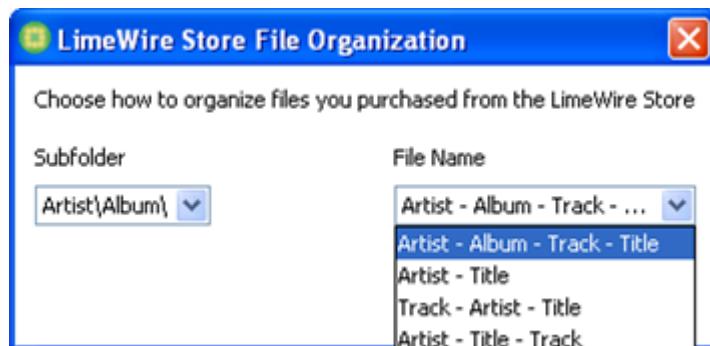
You can set where downloaded files are stored on your computer for Audio, Documents, Images, Programs, Other, or Video.

LimeWire Store

Configure file naming

You can decide how files purchased from the LimeWire Store are saved onto your computer. LimeWire could create a folder structure with the name of the artist and, or the album, and various file name possibilities (artist/album/title/track number, etc.).

For example, if you set:



Then when you use LimeWire to download "Connjur" by the artist "School of Seven Bells" through the LimeWire Store (from the album "LimeWire Store + CMJ present CMJ08: 28 Years, 28 Tracks"), the file is saved:

... \Store Purchased\School of Seven Bells\LimeWire Store + CMJ present CMJ08_ 28 Years, 28 Tracks\School of Seven Bells - LimeWire Store + CMJ present CMJ08_ 28 Years, 28 Tracks - 01 - Connjur.mp3

iTunes

Transfers

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Uploads

An upload is a file on your computer another person is downloading.

The upload bandwidth is how much data you want to allow someone to download from you. Like adjusting how wide a window is open to control how much air goes out, the greater you increase the upload bandwidth, you give others more opportunity to download data. Older and, or slow Internet connection computers might want to decrease the upload bandwidth to improve computer performance.



Connection Speed

Setting your network connection speed is critical to allow fast searches and downloads from the P2P Network.

A Broadband connection typically means you have a fast Internet connection. On the other hand, a Dial-up connection is typically a slower connection where your modem makes a call through the telephone lines into an Internet service provider (ISP).

System

File Associations

You can tell your computer to use LimeWire to open .magnet or .torrent files when using the Windows operating system.

Startup and Shutdown

Here you can tell LimeWire to run when your computer starts. Also, you can set if you want to minimize LimeWire to the System Tray when you hit X (the 'Close' button in the upper right of the program), or to exit.



Bugs

Bug reports list areas in the code where a problem traveled and helps software developers fix mistakes.

Tell me about Beta updates

Here you set if you want LimeWire to notify you about Beta updates. Beta versions of LimeWire are work-in-progress releases of the software with the latest features and bug fixes. The goal of a beta release is for a small sample of users to find bugs, or to report what they like or don't like. LimeWire uses the beta feedback to improve the next wide release.

Super Really Advanced

These settings are quite technical and difficult to explain to a broad audience without some confusion. Therefore, since we expect only people already familiar with these options to make changes here, we won't document.

Firewall

Proxy



Network Interface

Performance

BitTorrent

Filtering

Spam

Share

Sharing files is what makes the P2P Network. The more shares, the bigger the network. The bottom left corner of LimeWire lists the number of files you are sharing:



My Library is the central location to manage files and folders. You can add folders to My Library using Tools > Options, My Library.

Note: Once you add files or folders to My Library, the files aren't automatically shared. You can use the Share Widget to select which files to share. Additionally, you can use the Share Widget to stop sharing a file.

Click on My Library and then 'What I'm Sharing'.



Here is a list of the videos category of what you are sharing with the P2P Network:



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All yellow Find...

My Library P2P Network All Friends Share with friends!

Share What I'm Sharing With P2P Network Show All Files

CATEGORIES	Sharing	Name	Length
Videos	Sharing	MarathonRunner.mov	
Images			

Here is a thumbnail view of the images category of what you are sharing with the P2P Network:

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All yellow Find...

My Library P2P Network All Friends Share with friends!

Share What I'm Sharing With P2P Network Show All Files

Saved share folder ▾

Shared share folder ▾

Images Info Total: 7

0000 | Sharing 8 files | 0 Purchase LimeWire PRO to help us make downloads faster.

Friends

If you are signed into Friends, you additionally see the friends icon (👤) and your list of friends.



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Click on My Library and then 'What I'm Sharing'.



Then select either 'P2P Network' or a friend to see which files you are sharing:



A file is shared if the share icon is enabled. The share icon can either be:

- disabled; the file is not shared with the P2P Network
- enabled; the file is shared with the P2P Network
- disabled; the file is not shared with any friends
- enabled; the file is shared with one friend

You could for example, share a file with the P2P Network and not a friend. Here you are sharing a Creative Commons audio file with the P2P Network but not with any friends:



Here you are sharing a video of you running your first marathon:



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The screenshot shows the LimeWire 5 interface. On the left, there's a sidebar with icons for My Library, P2P Network, and All Friends. The P2P Network tab is selected. Below it, there's a list of offline users: Abby and Dan. The main area is titled "What I'm Sharing With P2P Network". It has a search bar and a "Find..." button. A table lists files by category: Audio, Videos, and Images. Under "Videos", there is one entry: "MarathonRunner.mov". The interface has a blue header and a white body with some green and grey accents.

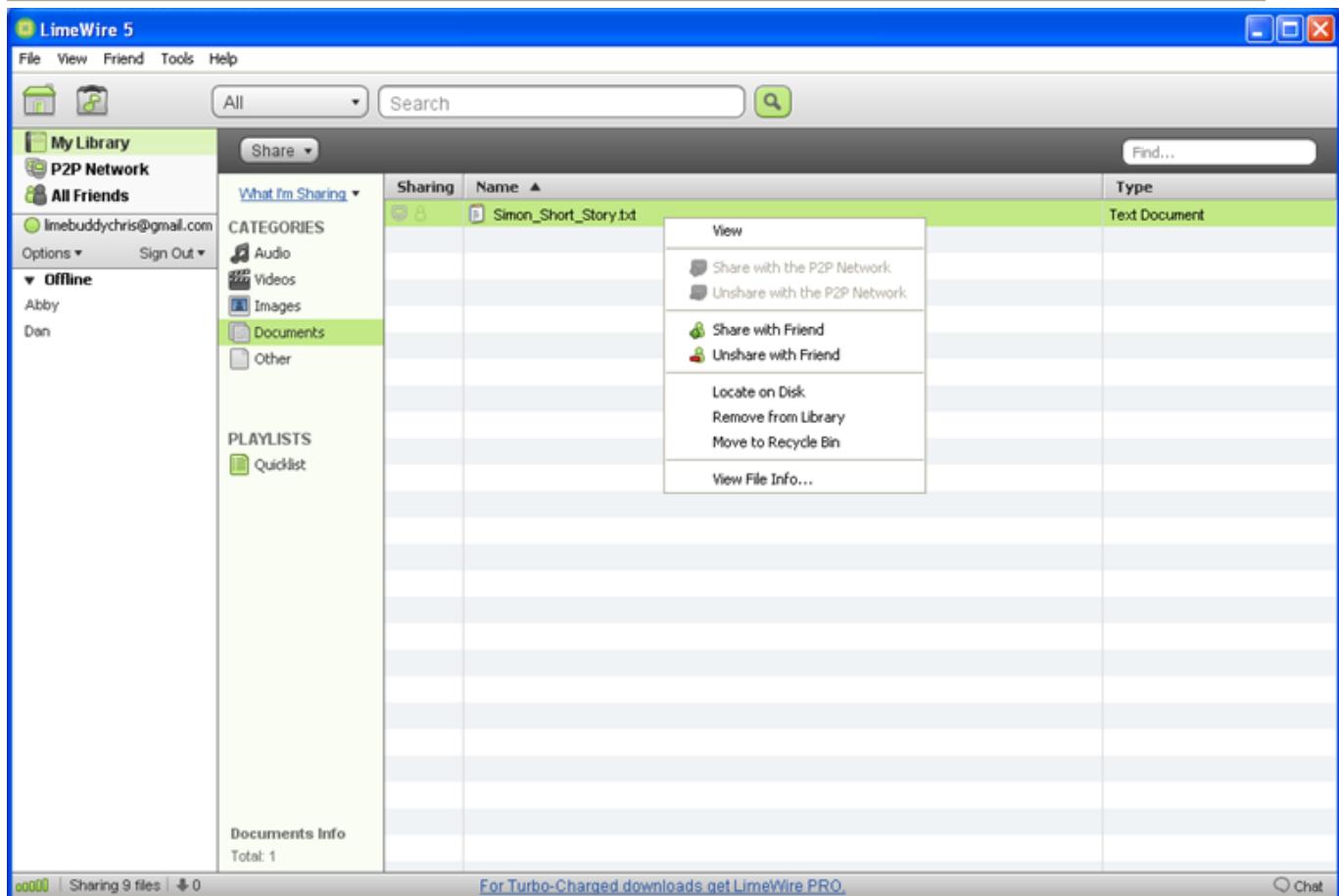
Here you are sharing images. In the first case you are sharing with only the P2P Network and in the second case you are sharing with both the P2P Network and a friend.

This screenshot shows the same LimeWire 5 interface as above, but with a different view of shared files. The "Shared" section is now visible, showing five images that have been shared. Each image thumbnail has a red box around its status icon. The images include a person running, a landscape, a city street, autumn trees, and an office interior. The interface includes a search bar, a "Find..." button, and a "share folder" dropdown menu. At the bottom, there's a status bar showing "Sharing 9 files" and "For Turbo-Charged downloads get LimeWire PRO.", along with a "Chat" link.

Documents are not shared by default:

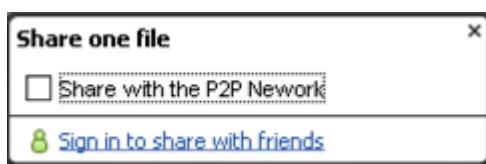


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Share Widget

The Share Widget lets you control if a file is shared with the P2P Network and, or with friends.



The P2P Network is a group of person to person users who create the Gnutella Network. When you are searching the network, you are searching for files hosted by users like you on the P2P Network.

You can access the Share Widget through the file's share icon which can either be:

- disabled; the file is not shared
- enabled; the file is shared

Here is the share icon as seen in the videos category of My Library:



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Sharing	Name
MarathonRunner.mov	

Click the share icon to show the Share Widget:

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All Search Find...

My Library P2P Network All Friends Share with friends!

CATEGORIES Audio Videos Images Documents

PLAYLISTS Quicklist

Saved

Shared

Share one file

Share with the P2P Network

Sign in to share with friends

Images Info Total: 8

Sharing 2 files 0 For Turbo-Charged searches get LimeWire PRO.

Once you share a file, the share icon is enabled as shown for the subway statue file.



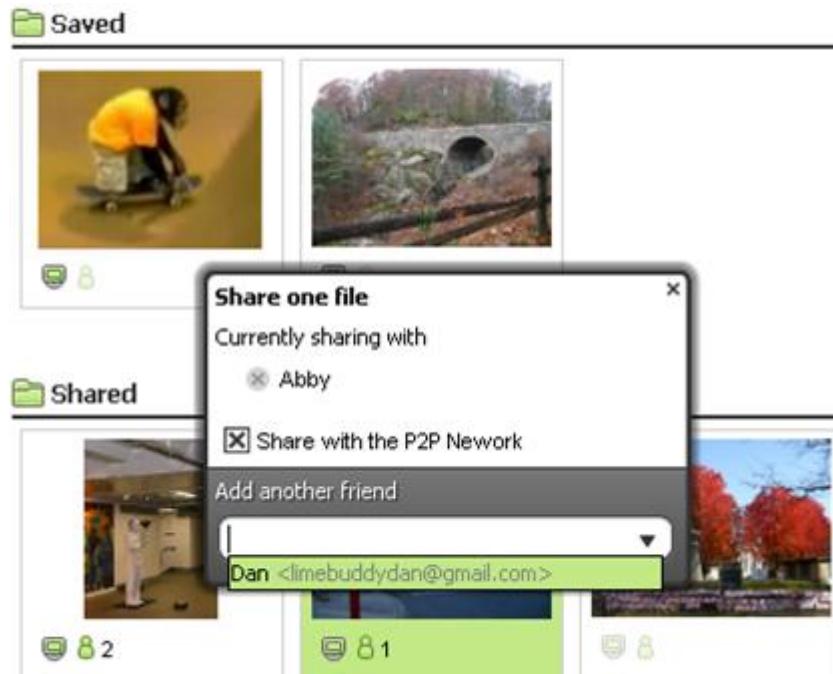
Friends

When using the Friends feature, the Friend share icon appears near the file and means:

- - not shared with any friends
- - shared with one friend
- - shared with multiple friends

Note: the number lists the number of friends you are sharing with so it can grow beyond two.

When you click on either the P2P Network or Friends share icons, you get the Share Widget to manage sharing with both the P2P Network and, or friends. Here, you are sharing an image with the P2P Network and Abby, and haven't yet shared it with Dan:



Forensic examination of LimeWire 5.1.3

Default installation path (WindowsXP)

LimeWire is by default installed at "C:\Program Files\LimeWire". In this folder, you find the program "core files".



The files containing the settings is found at "C:\Documents and Settings\ <USER>\Application Data\LimeWire". (It's among these data you find what you want :-))

In this folder you - among other files - find the following files of interest:

- limewire.props
- downloads.dat
- version.props
- library5.dat
- fileurns.cache

limewire.props

The “limewire.props” file contains the “properties” of the system. There is a lot of good information in this file, e.g.

- RECENT_DOWNLOADS=
Shows the recent downloaded files and their paths
- HARD_MAX_UPLOADS=
This entry is ONLY present, if the user has changed the number of “upload slots”. If the entry is “0”, then sharing is disabled
- UPLOAD_SPEED=
This entry is ONLY present, if the user has changed the uploadspeed
- DIRECTORY_FOR_SAVING_FILES=
Contains the path to the folder used for saving downloaded files. This file will often contain the files that automatically are shared
- CLIENT_ID=
Contains a unique SHA1 value to identify the user
- TOTAL_UPTIME=
Total uptime of the client in seconds



- LAST_SHUTDOWN_TIME=
UNIX time/date stamp
- TOTAL_CONNECTION_TIME=
Total connectiontime to the network in miliseconds
- LAST_UPDATE_TIMESTAMP=
UNIX time/date stamp
- LAST_SHUTDOWN_TIME=
UNIX time/date stamp

“limewire.props” is constantly overwritten, and it’s possible to search for information in unallocated clusters for old versions of the file. If you search unallocated clusters for information it’s a “must” to search for “HARD_MAX_UPLOADS=” as this is crucial information regarding proving past sharing of files.

The limitation of upload speed/simultaneous uploads is found in the <Tools>-><Options>-><Advanced>-><Transfers> tab

The default setting for "Uploads" is 20 connections and no limitation in bandwidth.

If the "box" is ticked, then the slider appears – otherwise it is hidden

Downloads
Don't allow more than downloads at once
 Limit your download bandwidth

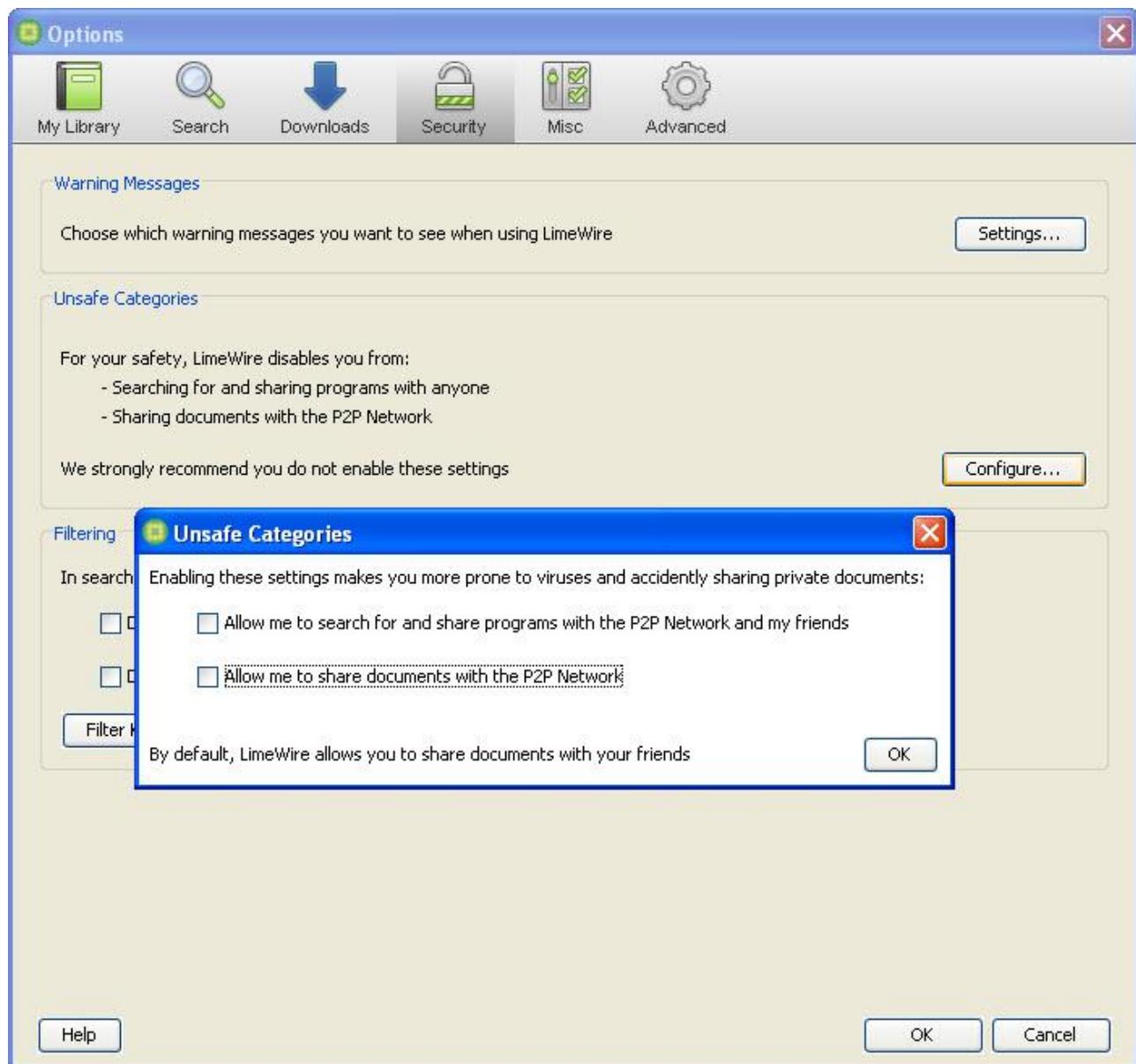
Uploads
Don't allow more than uploads at once
 Limit your upload bandwidth
 Clear uploads from list when finished

Connection Speed
Set your connection speed
 Broadband
 Dial-up



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By default LimeWire only allows search and sharing of music-, video- and image files. To allow search for other filetypes – click <Tools>-><Options>-><Security> - Unsafe Categories



If these settings are applied the “limewire.props” file is added the lines

DOCUMENT_SHARING_ENABLED=true

PROGRAMS_ALLOWED=true



downloads.dat

Downloads.dat contains information on the current downloads. The file is rewritten constantly, so there is a good possibility to find information in unallocated clusters, pagefile.sys etc.

To see what currently is being downloaded – look in the “Temp-folder” – the temporary files shows there with name. An example is seen below:

T-5395563-Madonna - Hey Mr. DJ.mp3.

The “T-5395563-“ is added in front of the filename here – “T” for temporary – and the number sequence is the filesize in bytes.

The adding of the “prefix” does not indicate, that the temporary file has been played/viewed

Version. Props

Version.props contains information on what version of LimeWire is installed

5.1.3=true

Version 5.1.3 is installed

Library5.dat

As shared files in Limewire v.5.x are not shared on “folder basis”, but on file level, the information on which files are shared has to be stored somewhere – and in this case the information is stored in the file “library5.dat”. In the previous version the shared files were mentioned in “library.dat”.

The content of the file looks like this:

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~í·sr·java.util.HashMap·ÚÁÃ·Ñ·F·  
loadFactorI·  
    thresholdxp?@.....w.....t·USER_EXTENSIONSsr·java.util.HashSetoD???·4··xpw.....  
?@.....xt·MANAGED_DIRECTORIESsq·~·w.....?@.....sr·java.io.File··xE·  
ää·L·path·Ljava/lang/String;xpt·C:\Documents and Settings\USER\My  
Documents\LimeWire\Savedw·\xsq·~·t·+C:\Documents and Settings\USER\My  
Documentsw·\xsq·~·t·DC:\Documents and Settings\USER\My Documents\LimeWire\Store  
Purchasedw·\xsq·~·t·&C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktopw·\xxt·
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EXCLUDE_FILESq~w.....?@.....xt..USER_REMOVEDsq~w.....?@.....t..mnyt..xlst..xlsxt..docmt..qdft..dott..dotmt..xlsmt..qdbt..xlsbt..dotxt..qsdt..xlamt..xltxt..bakt..qelt..qtxt..qift..datt..xltmt..flvt..mbft..docxt..csvt..qphxt..

DO_NOT_MANAGERsq~w.....?@.....xt..

SHARE_DATAsq~?@.....w.....sq~t..VC:\Documents and Settings\USER\My Documents\LimeWire\Saved\Madonna - Like A Prayer.mp3w..\xsr=com.limegroup.gnutella.library.LibraryFileData\$FileProperties

¥D^Cg®...Z..gnutellaL..friendst..Ljava/util/Set;xp::psq~t..XC:\Documents and Settings\USER\My Documents\LimeWire\Saved\Metallica - Enter Sandman.mp3w..\xsq~4::pxx

As seen, there is a lot of “not human readable data” in the file. To interpret the data, you have to look at it in HEX mode. The data then looks like this:

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AC ED 00 05 73 72 00 11 6A 61 76 61 2E 75 74 69 6C 2E 48 61 73 68 4D 61 70 05 07 DA C1 C3 16  
60 D1 03 00 02 46 00 0A 6C 6F 61 64 46 61 63 74 6F 72 49 00 09 74 68 72 65 73 68 6F 6C 64 78 70  
3F 40 00 00 00 00 00 0C 77 08 00 00 00 10 00 00 00 06 74 00 0F 55 5345 52 5F 45 58 54 45 4E 53  
49 4F 4E 53 73 72 00 11 6A 61 76 61 2E 75 74 69 6C 2E 48 61 73 68 53 65 74 BA 44 85 95 96 B8 B7  
34 03 00 00 78 70 77 0C 00 00 00 10 3F 40 00 00 00 00 00 00 78 74 00 13 4D 41 4E 41 47 45 44 5F  
44 49 52 45 43 54 4F 52 49 45 53 73 71 00 7E 00 03 77 0C 00 00 00 10 3F 40 00 00 00 00 00 04 73  
72 00 0C 6A 61 76 61 2E 69 6F 2E 46 69 6C 65 04 2D A4 45 0E 0D E4 FF 03 00 01 4C 00 04 70 61 74  
68 74 00 12 4C 6A 61 76 61 2F 6C 61 6E 67 2F 53 74 72 69 6E 67 3B 78 70 74 00 3A 43 3A 5C 44 6F  
63 75 6D65 6E 74 73 20 61 6E 64 20 53 65 74 74 69 6E 67 73 5C 55 53 45 52 5C 4D 79 20 44 6F 63  
75 6D 65 6E 74 73 5C 4C 69 6D 65 57 69 7265 5C 53 61 76 65 64 77 02 00 5C 78 73 71 00 7E 00 07  
74 00 2B 43 3A 5C 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73 77 02 00 5C 78 73 71 00 7E 00 07 74 00 44 43 3A 5C 44  
6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73 20 61 6E 64 20 53 65 74 74 69 6E 67 73 5C 55 53 45 52 5C 4D 79 20 44 6F  
63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73 5C 4C 69 6D 65 57 69 72 65 5C 53 74 6F 72 65 20 50 75 72 63 68 61 73 65 64  
77 02 00 5C 78 73 71 00 7E 00 07 74 00 26 43 3A 5C 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73 20 61 6E 64 20 53  
65 74 74 69 6E 67 73 5C 55 53 45 52 5C 44 65 73 6B 74 6F 70 77 02 00 5C 78 78 74 00 0D 45 58 43  
4C 55 44 45 5F 46 49 4C 45 53 73 71 00 7E 00 03 77 0C 00 00 00 10 3F 40 00 00 00 00 00 00 78 74  
00 0C 55 53 45 52 5F 52 45 4D 4F 56 45 44 73 71 00 7E 00 03 77 0C 00 00 00 40 3F 40 00 00 00 00  
00 19 74 00 03 6D 6E 79 74 00 03 78 6C 73 74 00 04 78 6C 73 78 74 00 04 64 6F 63 6D 74 00 03 71  
64 66 74 00 03 64 6F 74 74 00 04 64 6F 74 6D 74 00 04 78 6C 73 6D 74 00 03 71 64 62 74 00 04 78  
6C 73 62 74 00 04 64 6F 74 78 74 00 03 71 73 64 74 00 04 78 6C 61 6D 74 00 04 78 6C 74 78 74 00  
03 62 61 6B 74 00 03 71 65 6C 74 00 03 71 74 78 74 00 03 71 69 66 74 00 03 64 61 74 74 00 04 78  
6C 74 6D 74 00 03 66 6C 76 74 00 03 6D 62 66 74 00 04 64 6F 63 78 74 00 03 63 73 76 74 00 03 71
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70 68 78 74 00 0D 44 4F 5F 4E 4F 54 5F 4D 41 4E 41 47 45 73 71 00 7E 00 03 77 0C 00 00 00 10 3F  
40 00 00 00 00 00 78 74 00 0A 53 48 41 52 45 5F 44 41 54 41 73 71 00 7E 00 00 3F 40 00 00 00  
00 00 0C 77 08 00 00 00 10 00 00 00 02 73 71 00 7E 00 07 74 00 56 43 3A 5C 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E  
74 73 20 61 6E 64 20 53 65 74 74 69 6E 67 73 5C 55 53 45 52 5C 4D 79 20 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74  
73 5C 4C 69 6D 65 57 69 72 65 5C 53 61 76 65 64 5C 4D 61 64 6F 6E 6E 61 20 2D 20 4C 69 6B 65  
20 41 20 50 72 61 79 65 72 2E 6D 70 33 77 02 00 5C 78 73 72 00 3D 63 6F 6D 2E 6C 69 6D 65 67  
72 6F 75 70 2E 67 6E 75 74 65 6C 6C 61 2E 6C 69 62 72 61 72 79 2E 4C 69 62 72 61 72 79 46 69 6C  
65 44 61 74 61 24 46 69 6C 65 50 72 6F 70 65 72 74 69 65 73 0A A5 D0 5E 43 67 AA AE 02 00 02  
5A 00 08 67 6E 75 74 65 6C 6C 61 4C 00 07 66 72 69 65 6E 64 73 74 00 0F 4C 6A 61 76 61 2F 75 74  
69 6C 2F 53 65 74 3B 78 70 01 70 73 71 00 7E 00 07 74 00 58 43 3A 5C 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73  
20 61 6E 64 20 53 65 74 74 69 6E 67 73 5C 55 53 45 52 5C 4D 79 20 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73 5C  
4C 69 6D 65 57 69 72 65 5C 53 61 76 65 64 5C 4D 65 74 61 6C 6C 69 63 61 20 2D 20 45 6E 74 65  
72 20 53 61 6E 64 6D 61 6E 2E 6D 70 33 77 02 00 5C 78 73 71 00 7E 00 34 00 70 78 78
```

As seen, there is a lot of data to interpret. In this “library5.dat” file, there is information on 2 files – but only 1 of them are shared – how can you determine which files are shared.

The information on sharing is stored in one byte attached to the fileentry.

When comparing 2 “library5.dat” files – one where files are shared, and one where the files have been unshared, it shows, that the “sharing byte” is at the end of each entry

When looking at the picture below, you can see, that one file is shared (green byte) and one file is unshared (red byte)



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00000768	00 00 00 00 00 00 78 74	00 0A 53 48 41 52 45 5F	xt SHARE_
00000784	44 41 54 41 73 71 00 7E	00 00 3F 40 00 00 00 00	DATAsq ~ ?@
00000800	00 0C 77 08 00 00 00 10	00 00 00 02 73 71 00 7E	w sq ~
00000816	00 07 74 00 56 43 3A 5C	44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74	t VC:\Document
00000832	73 20 61 6E 64 20 53 65	74 74 69 6E 67 73 5C 55	s and Settings\U
00000848	53 45 52 5C 4D 79 20 44	6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73	SER\My Documents
00000864	5C 4C 69 6D 65 57 69 72	65 5C 53 61 76 65 64 5C	\LimeWire\Saved\
00000880	4D 61 64 6F 6E 61 20	2D 20 4C 69 6B 65 20 41	Madonna - Like A
00000896	20 50 72 61 79 65 72 2E	6D 70 33 77 02 00 5C 78	Prayer.mp3w \x
00000912	73 72 00 3D 63 6F 6D 2E	6C 69 6D 65 67 72 6F 75	sr =com.limegrou
00000928	70 2E 67 6E 75 74 65 6C	6C 61 2E 6C 69 62 72 61	p.gnutella.libra
00000944	72 79 2E 4C 69 62 72 61	72 79 46 69 6C 65 44 61	ry.LibraryFileDa
00000960	74 61 24 46 69 6C 65 50	72 6F 70 65 72 74 69 65	ta\$FileProperti
00000976	73 0A A5 D0 5E 43 67 AA	AE 02 00 02 5A 00 08 67	e \$#D^Cg@® Z g
00000992	6E 75 74 65 6C 61 4C	00 07 66 72 69 65 6E 64	nutellaL friend
00001008	73 74 00 0F 4C 6A 61 76	61 2F 75 74 69 6C 2F 53	st Ijava/util/S
00001024	65 74 3B 78 70 01 70 73	71 00 7E 00 07 74 00 58	et:xp!psq ~ t X
00001040	43 3A 5C 44 6F 63 75 6D	65 6E 74 73 20 61 6E 64	C:\Documents and
00001056	20 53 65 74 74 69 6E 67	73 5C 55 53 45 52 5C 4D	Settings\USER\M
00001072	79 20 44 6F 63 75 6D 65	6E 74 73 5C 4C 69 6D 65	y Documents\Lime
00001088	57 69 72 65 5C 53 61 76	65 64 5C 4D 65 74 61 6C	Wire\Saved\Metal
00001104	6C 69 63 61 20 2D 20 45	6E 74 65 72 20 53 61 6E	lica - Enter San
00001120	64 6D 61 6E 2E 6D 70 33	77 02 00 5C 78 73 71 00	dman.mp3w \xsq
00001136	7E 00 34 00 70 78 78		~ 4 pxx

As seen, the “header” for the sharing byte is not the same, and other variations can occur. The GREP search (EnCase style GREP) below will extract the sharing state of the files within the “library5.dat” file

(\x78\x70[\x00\x01]) | (\x7E\x00.[\x00\x01])

The search hits will by the last byte show, whether the file is shared or not

00 : Unshared

01: Shared

To extract filename, path and share-byte use one of the following GREP-searches:

If the first GREP shows that all files are shared use this new GREP-search:

\x73\x71\x00\x7E\x00\x07\x74\x00.{0,255}(\x78\x70\x01)|(\x7E\x00.\x01)

NOTE: If the total string length of path and filename exceeds 255 characters no hits will be returned. It is however possible to bookmark these files individually

If the first GREP shows that some files are unshared, you have to run the GREP above and the following:



\x73\x71\x00\x7E\x00\x07\x74\x00.{0,255}(\x78\x70\x00)|(\x7E\x00.\x00)

NOTE: If the total string length of path and filename exceeds 255 characters no hits will be returned. It is however possible to bookmark these files individually

By running the 2 GREP's separately, you can create 2 tables with these data for later comparison with the entries in "fileurns.cache"

When files are deleted from the "library", their entry in "library5.dat" is deleted. It is however possible to search for deleted "library5.dat" files, by searching for the "footer" of the file. The following GREP-search, will find the footer (including the share setting of the last file entry)

((\x78\x70[\x00\x01])|(\x7E\x00[\x30\x34][\x00\x01]))\x70\x78\x78

From hits on this search, you have to go backwards and save as much of the deleted file as possible

HINT (EnCase): Export the found entries into a binary file, add the file to the case and use the GREP-search that extracts the filename, paths and share-bit

As this file doesn't contain any hash values, you need to compare the findings with entries from "fileurns.cache"

Fileurns.cache

Fileurns.cache contains information on the files that are in the LimeWire "library".

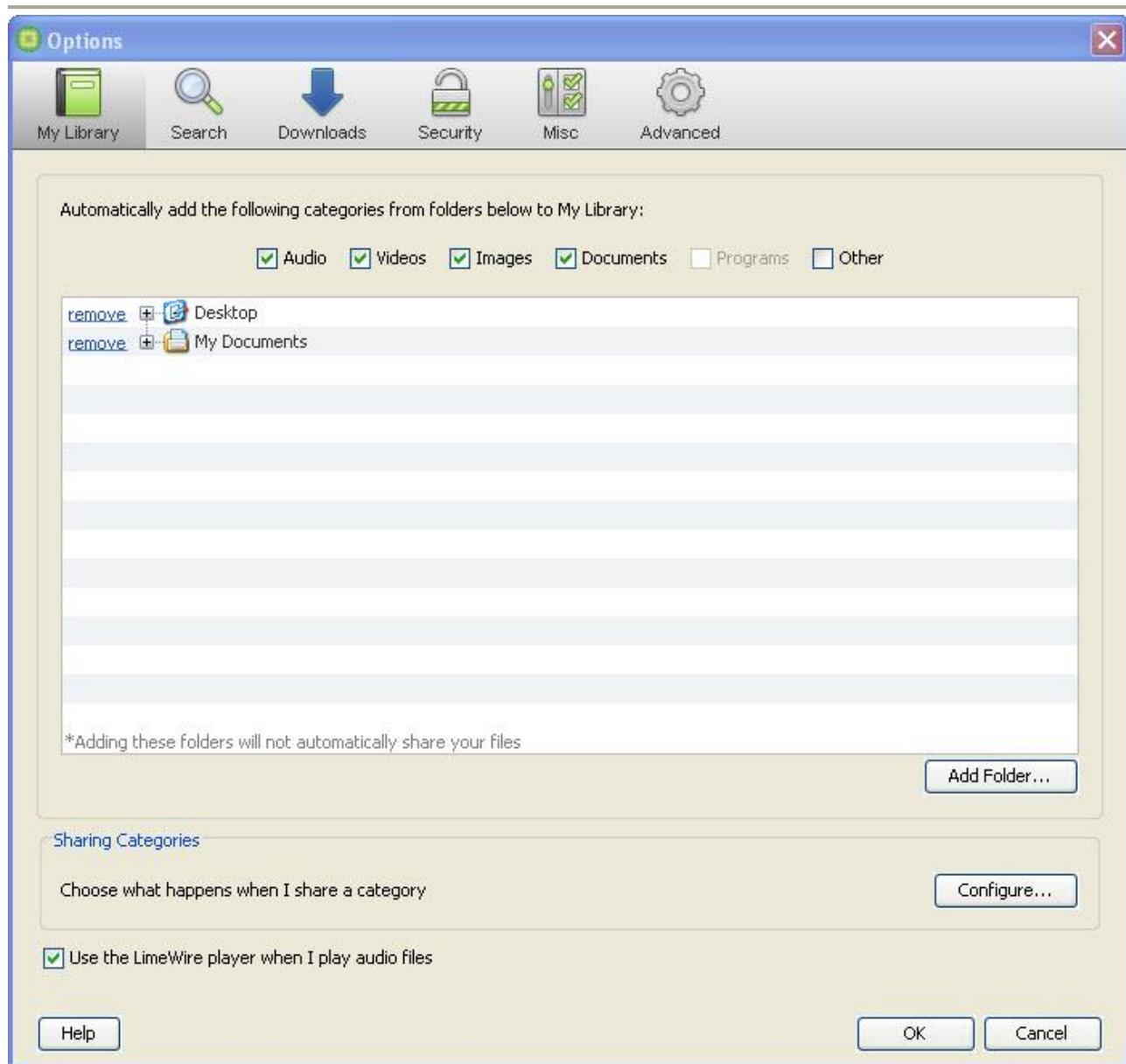
Each entry consists of Filename, storage path, LastModified date, SHA1_base32 hashvalue and TigerTree_base32 hashvalue of the file

When a file is deleted, the entry is also deleted in "fileurns.cache"

The files in "fileurns.cache" does not have to have been downloaded by LimeWire – they only have to be in one of the folders, that are mentioned in the library. By default the "Documents" and the "Desktop" (both with subfolders) are in the library (only certain filetypes – see picture below)



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This setting means, that if you download a file from eg. Internet Explorer, ad place it on the desktop, the file will be mentioned in “fileurns.cache” – but you have to set the files as shared manually.

This means that the bare presence of a fileentry in “fileurns.cache” is not an evidence of sharing – but it’s an evidence of possession of the file.

When searching unallocated clusters for deleted “fileurns.cache” files”, it’s possible to find the SHA1 or TTH hashvalues of the deleted files, and hereby prove the earlier possession of certain files (If you have a database of illegal files, it’s possible to compare the hashvalues from the database and the hashvalues from the case and hereby prove earlier possession of these files)



How does an entry in “fileurns.cache” look like?

If you open the “fileurns.cache” in a HEX-editor, an entry could look like the picture below. In this picture, there are 2 entries. An entry starts with 73 (71 00)

<p>00000832</p> <p>“system entry” - Note the “70” after the “78” – End Tag</p>	<p>00000960</p> <p>00000976</p> <p>00000992</p> <p>00001008</p> <p>00001024</p> <p>00001040</p> <p>00001056</p> <p>00001072</p> <p>00001088</p> <p>00001104</p> <p>00001120</p> <p>00001136</p>	<p>00001264</p>	<p>00 10 78 70 73 71 00 7E 00 02 77 08 00 00 01 22 BE E0 AB 06 74 00 64 43 3A 5C 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73 20 61 6E 64 20 53 65 74 74 69 6E 67 73 5C 55 53 45 52 5C 44 65 73 6B 74 6F 70 5C 4C 69 6D 65 57 69 72 65 5C 62 72 6F 77 73 65 72 5C 78 75 6C 72 75 6E 6E 65 72 5C 72 65 73 5C 74 61 62 6C 65 2D 61 64 64 2D 72 6F 77 2D 61 66 74 65 72 2D 61 63 74 69 76 65 2E 67 69 66 78 73 71 00 7E 01 05 73 71 00 7E 00 09 73 71 00 7E 00 0C 77 2B 00 29 75 72 6E 3A 73 68 61 31 3A 52 55 51 46 49 47 57 55 4F 54 58 50 36 51 53 52 4C 5A 33 36 51 47 35 35 53 48 53 37 5A 50 55 49 71 00 7E 00 10 78 70 73 71 00 7E 00 02 77 08 00 00 01 22 4E A2 DS 6B 74 00 56 43 3A 5C 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73 20 61 6E 64 20 53 65 74 74 69 6E 67 73 5C 55 53 46 52 5C 4D 79 20 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73 5C 4C 69 6D 65 57 69 72 65 5C 53 61 76 65 64 5C 4D 61 64 6F 6E 6E 61 20 2D 20 4C 69 6B 65 20 41 20 50 72 61 79 65 72 2E 6D 70 33 78 73 71 00 7E 01 05 73 71 00 7E 00 09 73 71 00 7E 00 0C 77 2B 00 29 75 72 6E 3A 73 68 61 31 3A 37 37 53 59 43 47 46 4A 50 50 34 37 56 51 35 34 54 53 4E 42 43 F4 4A 4C 56 58 47 41 58 32 58 37 71 00 7E 00 10 78 73 71 00 7E 00 DC 77 54 00 32 75 72 6E 3A 74 74 72 6F 6F 74 3A 44 43 55 36 35 44 5A 4A 4B 4A 34 53 34 49 4D 41 55 5A 4F 49 57 43 59 53 44 54 56 33 43 54 52 49 51 32 52 5A 5A 44 41 7E 71 00 7E 00 0E 74 00 06 54 54 52 4F 4F 54 78 73 71 00 </p>	xpsq ~ w xact dC:\Documents and Settings\nUSER\Desktop\Limewire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-add-row-after-active.gif xpsq ~ sq ~ sq ~ w+ urn:sha1:RUQFI GWUOTXF6QSRLZ360 G55SHS7ZPUIq xpsq ~ "Ne Cxt VC:\Documents and Settings\USER\My Documents\LimeWire\Saved\Madonna - Like A Prayer.mp3 xpsq ~ sq ~ w+ urn:sha1:77SYC GFJPP47VQ54TSNBO TJLWXGAX2X7q xpsq ~ w+ 2urn:troot DCU65DZJKJ 454IMAUZOIWCYSDT V3CTRIO2RZZDA~q ~ t TTROOT xpsq
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TAG	Meaning	Notes
02 (77 08)	Java Timestamp	“Last Written of file” – time when file was fully downloaded
0C (77 xx)	URN	
2B	SHA1 URN	



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34	TTH URN	
70	End “system entry”	Follows entries, where the system has added the data. Note: This tag is not found right after files downloaded via LimeWire
71	Currently unknown	Followed by 1 byte – meaning currently unknown
72	Java String	Followed by 2 bytes telling length of string
73	Start of entry	
74	Path	Followed by 2 bytes telling length of string
77	Text string	Followed by 2 bytes telling length of string
7E	Currently unknown	
78	End of entry	

How to extract filenames, paths, dates and SHA1_base32 value from “fileurns.cache”

When using EnCase the following GREP-search can extract the desired information *)

```
\x73\x71\x00\x7E.{0,8}\x77\x08.{8,8}\x74\x00.{0,255}\x78\x73\x71.{0,30}\x2B\x00\x29urn\:sha1\
:[A-Z0-9]{32,32}\x71
```

*) the GREP will return a string of max 255 caracters – see explanation later

Looking at one of the entries on the previous page, the search will find the following data:



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0000003F0	47 35 35 53 48 53 37 5A 50 55 49 71 00 7E 00 10	G55SHS7ZPUIq.^..
000000400	78 70 73 71 00 7E 00 02 77 08 00 00 01 22 4E A2	xpsq.^..w...."No
000000410	D5 6B 74 00 56 43 3A 5C 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74	Okt.VC:\Documents
000000420	73 20 61 6E 64 20 53 65 74 74 69 6E 67 73 5C 55	s and Settings\U
000000430	53 45 52 5C 4D 79 20 44 6F 63 75 6D 65 6E 74 73	SER\My Documents
000000440	5C 4C 69 6D 65 57 69 72 65 5C 53 61 76 65 64 5C	\LimeWire\Saved\
000000450	4D 61 64 6F 6E 6E 61 20 2D 20 4C 69 6B 65 20 41	Madonna - Like A
000000460	20 50 72 61 79 65 72 2E 6D 70 33 78 73 71 00 7E	Prayer.mp3xsq.^..
000000470	00 05 73 71 00 7E 00 09 73 71 00 7E 00 0C 77 2B	.sq.^..sq.^..w+.
000000480	00 29 75 72 6E 3A 73 68 61 31 3A 37 37 53 59 43	urn:sha1:77SYC
000000490	47 46 4A 50 50 34 37 56 51 35 34 54 53 4E 42 43	GEJPP47VQ54TSNBO
0000004A0	54 4A 4C 56 58 47 41 58 32 58 37 71 00 7E 00 10	TJLWXGAX2X7q.^..
0000004B0	78 73 71 00 7E 00 0C 77 34 00 32 75 72 6E 3A 74	xsq.^..w4.2urn:t
0000004C0	74 72 6F 6F 74 3A 44 43 55 36 35 44 5A 4A 4B 4A	troot:DCH165D7.IK1

Note that the GREP not returns the TTH value

There is a flaw to this method. EnCase GREP only allows to search and return strings of maximum 255 characters.

Look at the 2 examples below:

String below 255 carachters:



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    user\reshtable-add-column-before.gifxsq~
    'sq~'~ sq~'~'w+~)urn:sha1:2B2HEK34PA7WFBBM0
    /SLSDSWPPPCPPCYq~'~ xpsq~'~'w~'~>à;Øt·LC:
    \Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWi
    re\browser\xulrunner\README.txttxsq~'~'sq~'~
    'sq~'~'w+~)urn:sha1:Q6V57D75YZORPI7SPXBCCN6
    DJKQFKJZLq~'~ xpsq~'~'w~'~>à;t·hC:\Docum

```

Note that the full entry is extracted

String above 255 caracters

When the strings get long, it's often due too extremely long filenames or storage paths

	Name	Preview	Hit Text	Entry Selected	File Offset	Length	Filter	In Report	File Ext
8	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w "">>< C:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	sq ~ w ">< C:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	1995	180		cache	
9	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w "">>< C:\	sq ~ w ">< C:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	2530	180		cache	
10	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w "">>< C:\	sq ~ w ">< C:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	2716	181		cache	
11	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w "">>< C:\	sq ~ w ">< C:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	2903	160		cache	
12	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w "">>< C:\	sq ~ w ">< C:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	3069	255		cache	
13	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w "">>< C:\	sq ~ w ">< C:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	3402	174		cache	
14	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w "">>< C:\	sq ~ w ">< C:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	3582	184		cache	
15	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w "">>< C:\	sq ~ w ">< C:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	3772	181		cache	
16	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w ">< C:\	sq ~ w "\$@t MC:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	3959	161		cache	
17	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w ">< C:\	sq ~ w "N@f\$t XC:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	4475	172		cache	
18	fileurns.cache	sq ~ w ">< C:\	sq ~ w ">< C:\Documents and Settings\USER\l	.	4718	177		cache	
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Case 1\0\Documents and Settings\USER\Application Data\LimeWire\fileurns.cache



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When you go through your search hits note the length of these (sort them on length to see which ones exceed 255 characters) and manually bookmark these entries in their full length.

Comparing data from “library5.dat” and “fileurns.cache”

By using the above mentioned GREP searches, you should now have text documents containing the search hits.

To compare these data, you can use Microsoft Access. Before comparison you need to “clean up the data, and remove the “tag code”

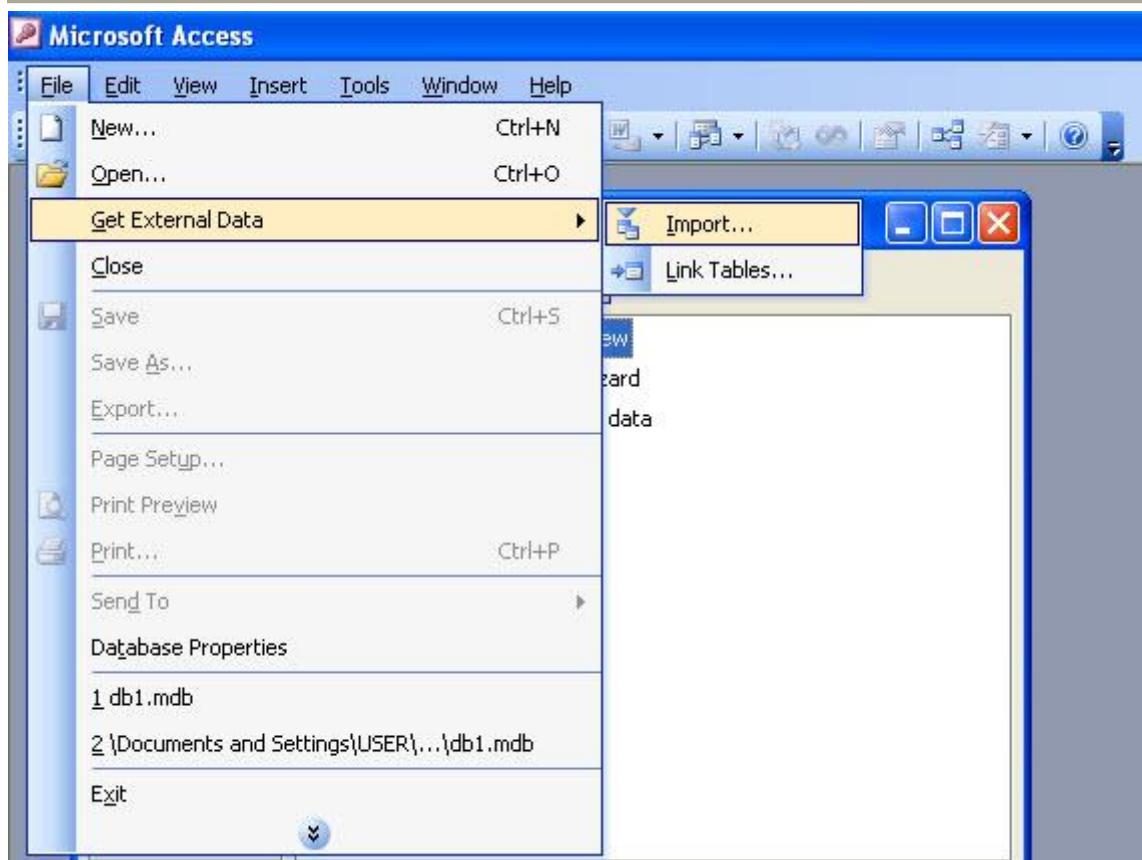
This procedure is a little tricky, but as soon a direct parser is made for the files – this is a way to get around the problem. To get the described procedures to work, you need to follow the naming of the fields and tables (unless you already is an Acces Ace ☺)

Open Access and create an empty database

Select <File> -> <Get External data> -> <Import>



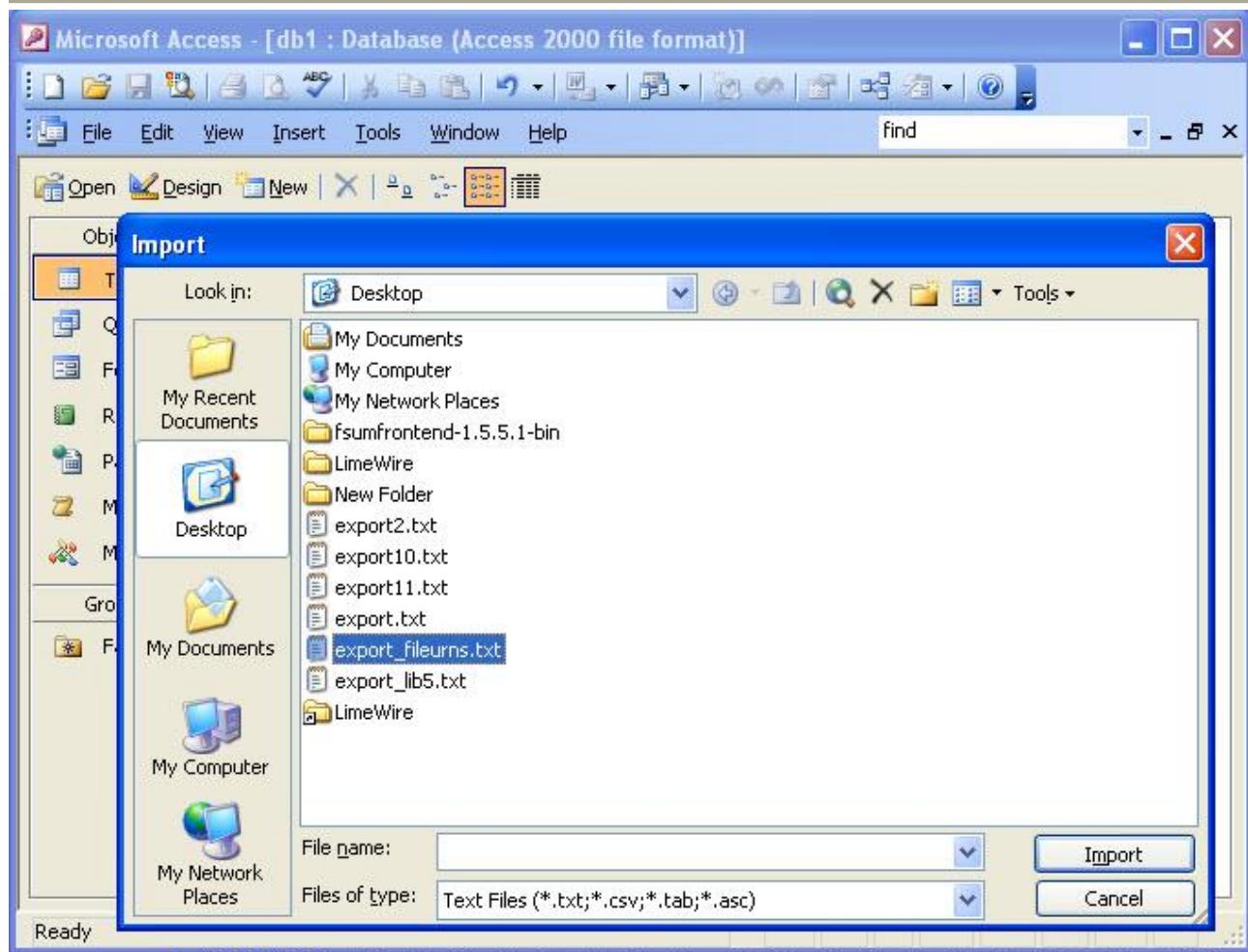
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Browse to the exported data from “fileurns.cache”



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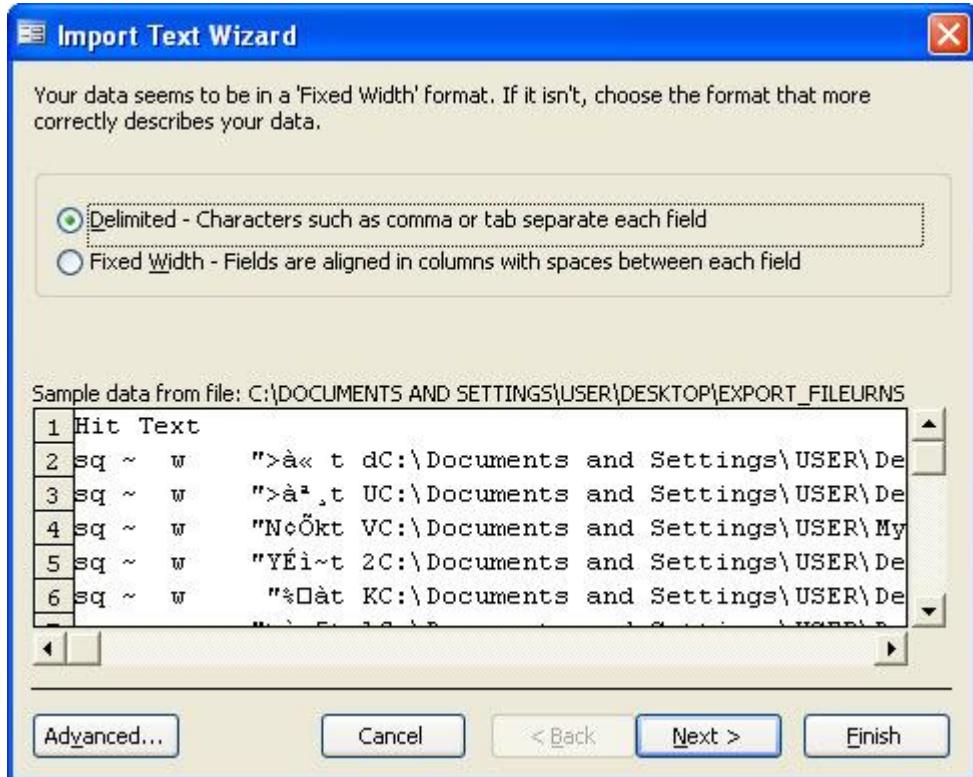


Click <Import>

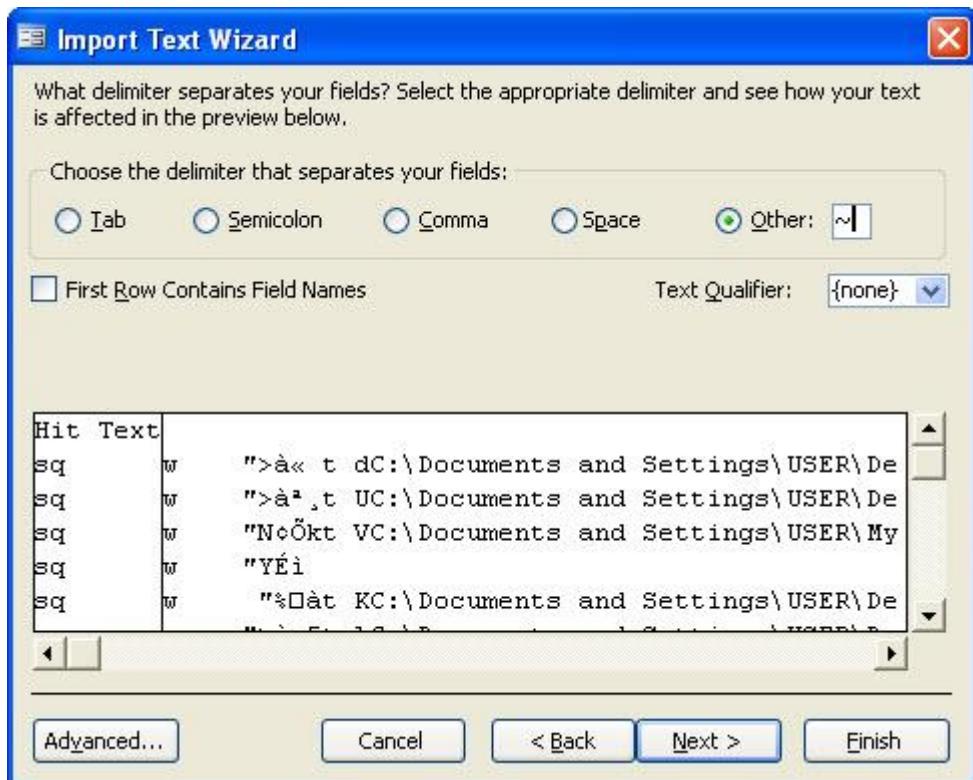
You will now get the opportunity to import the data into the database.



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Select <Delimited> import – click <Next>

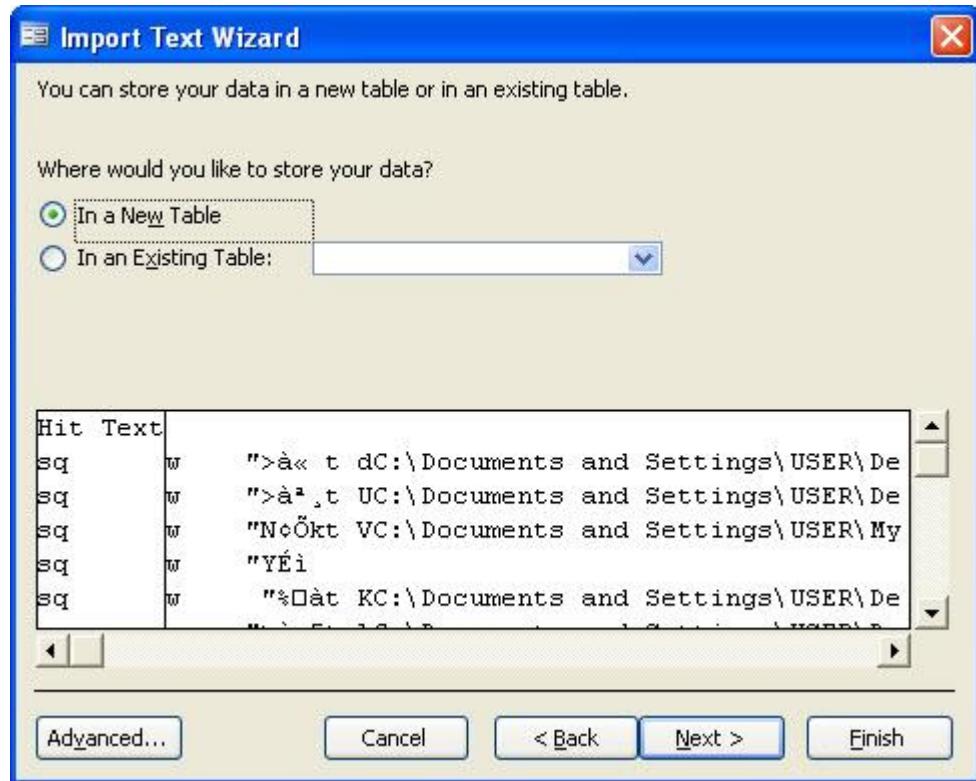


Choose the “~” (tilde) as your separator

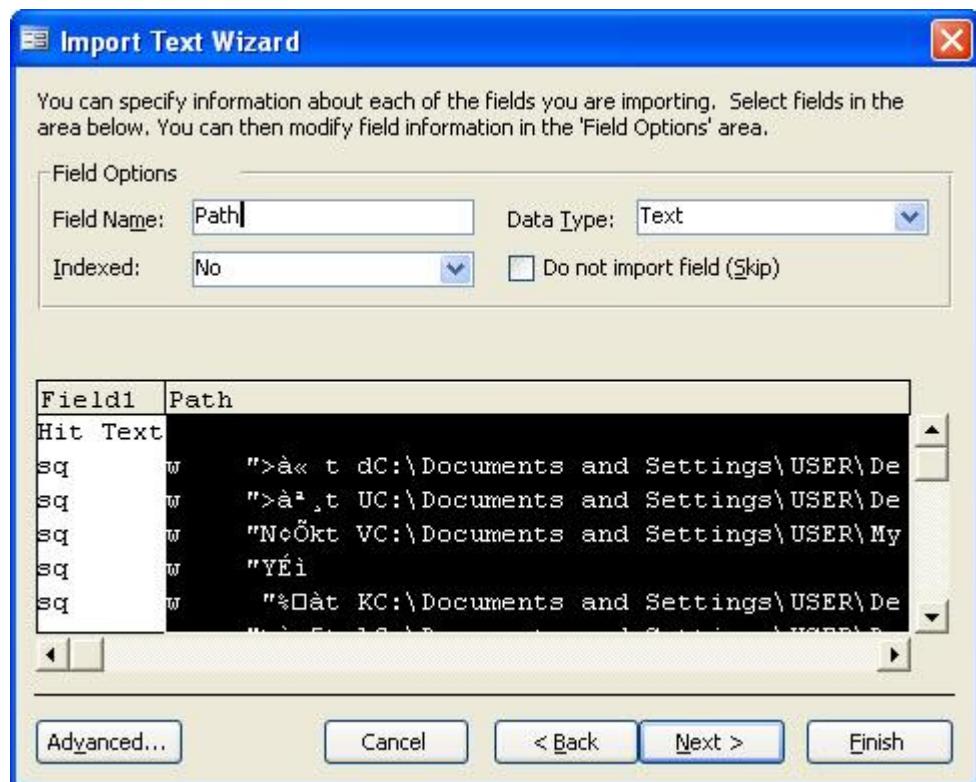


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Click <Next>



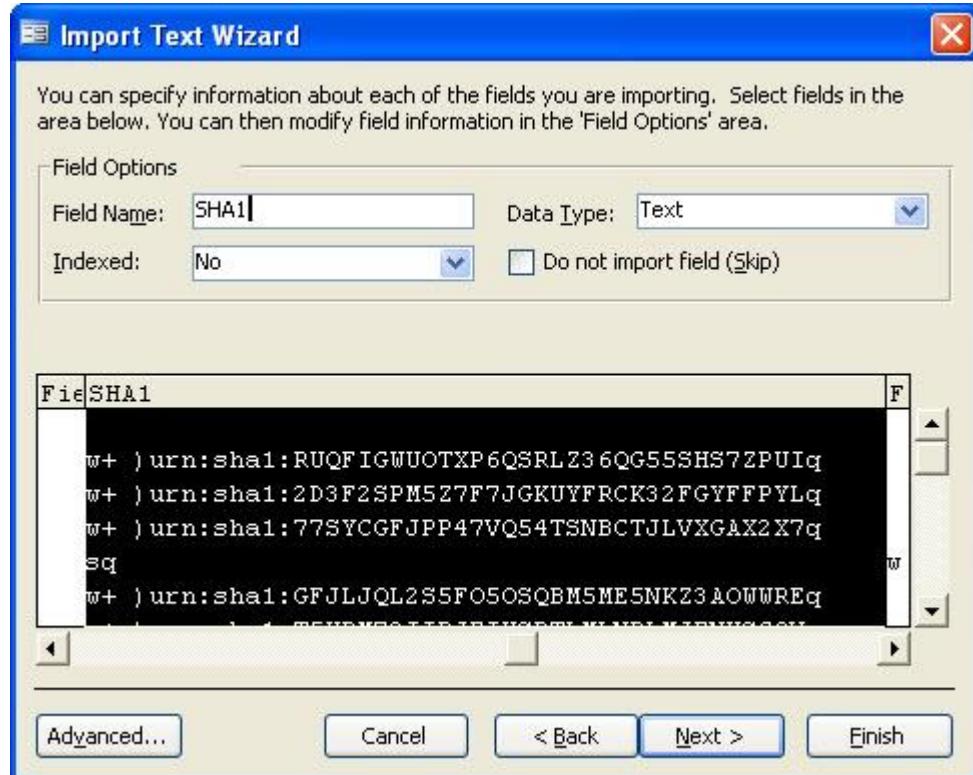
Select <In a new table> - click <Next>





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In the next window you get the opportunity to name the single fields in the table. In Field1 you rename it to "Path"

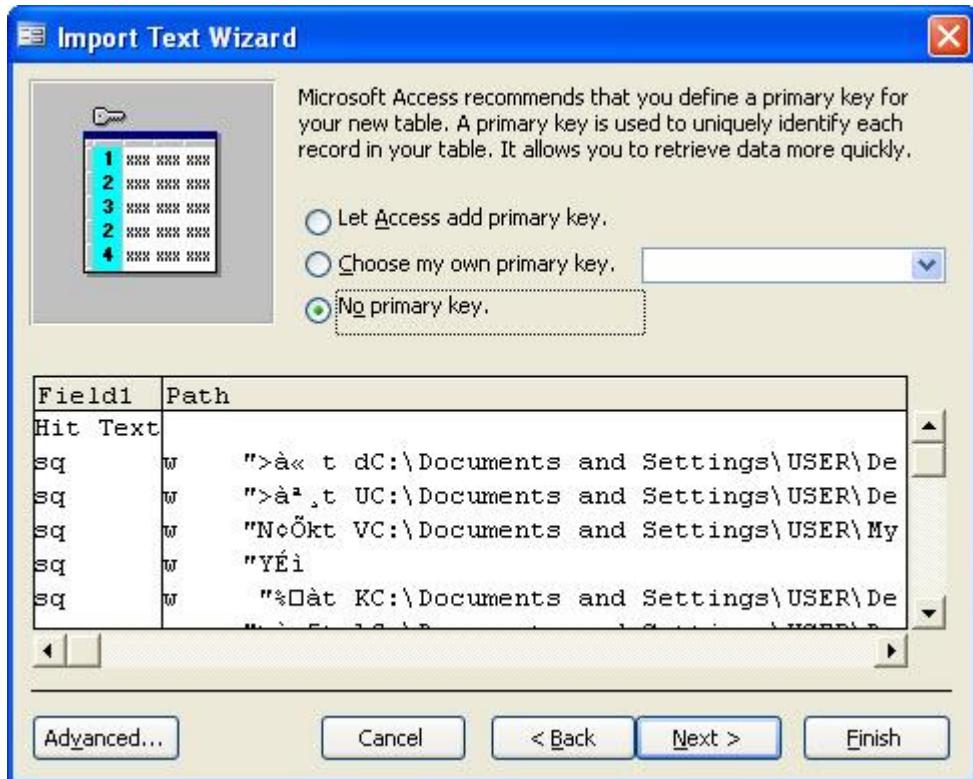


Field5 you rename to "SHA1"

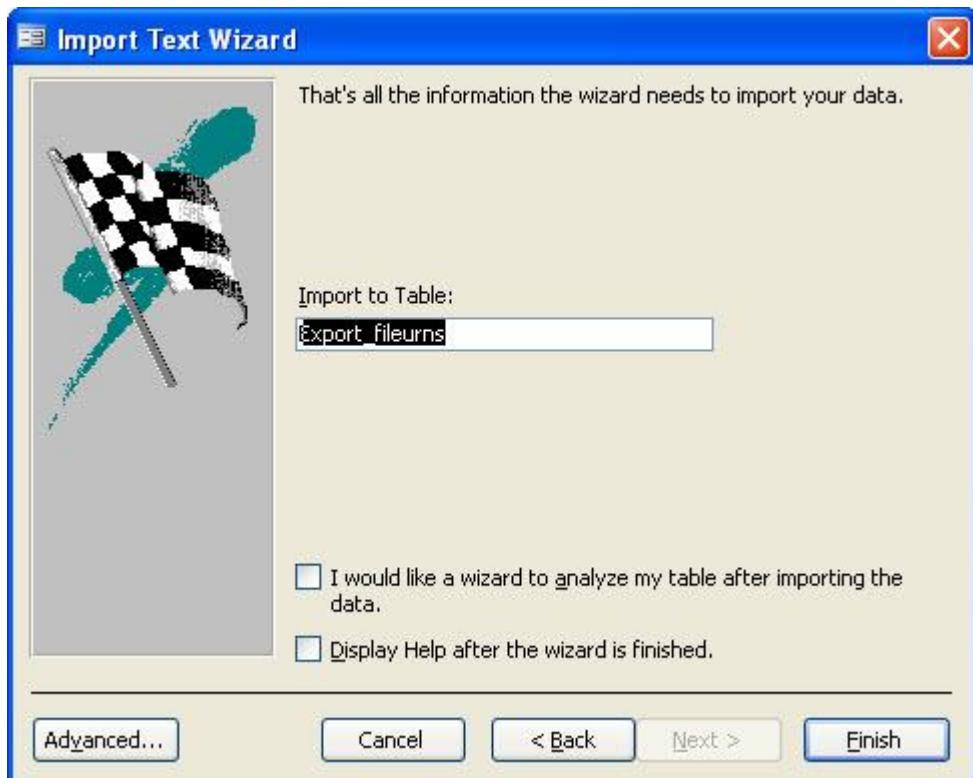
Click <Next>



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Select <No primary key> - Click <Next>



You have now imported the data. Click <Finish>



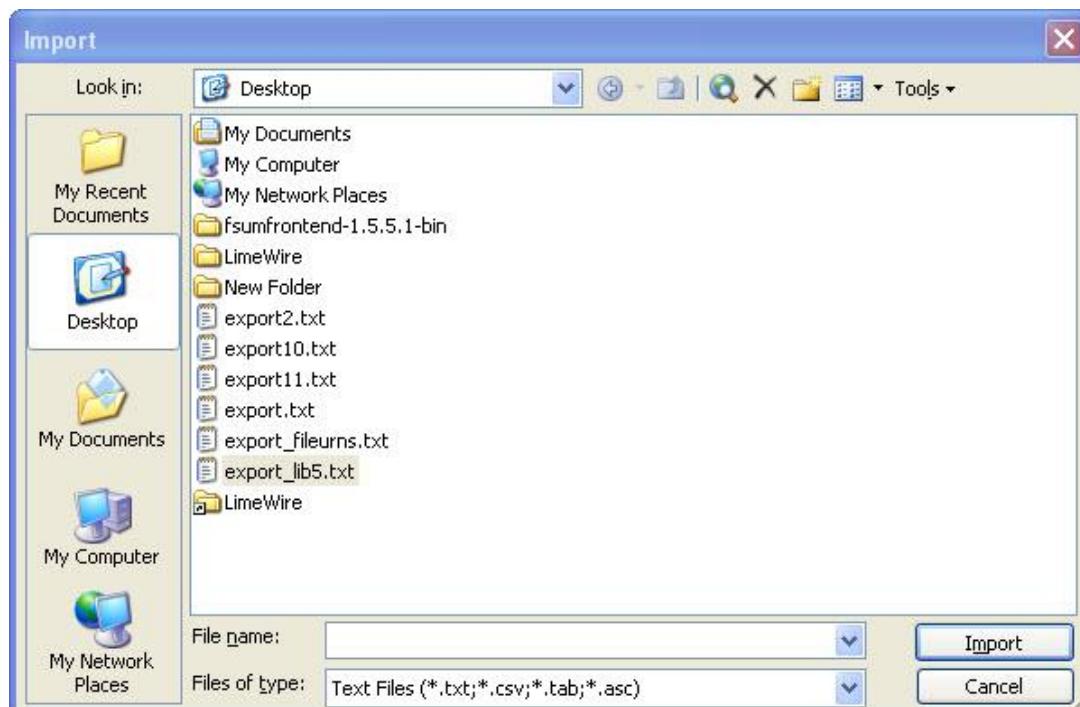
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Field1	Path	Field3	Field4	SHA1
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sq	w ">à t UC:\Documents sq	sq	sq	w+)urn:sha1:2D3F2SPM5Z7F7JKUYFRCK32FGYFFPYLq
sq	w "NéOkt VC:\Document: sq	sq	sq	w+)urn:sha1:77SYCFGJPP47VQ54TSNBCTJLVXGAX2X7q
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Go to the main window and open the table and see the imported data. As you can see, there are data, which needs to be removed

We now need to import the data from the “Libray5.dat” file

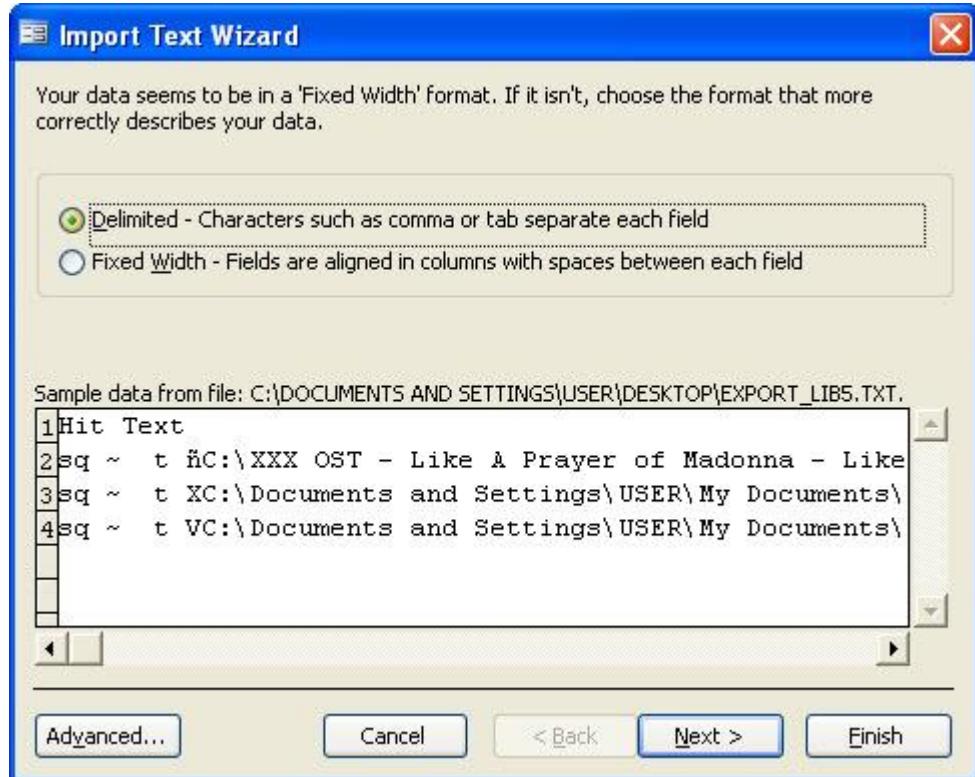
Go to <File> -> <Get External data> -> <Import>





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Click <Import>

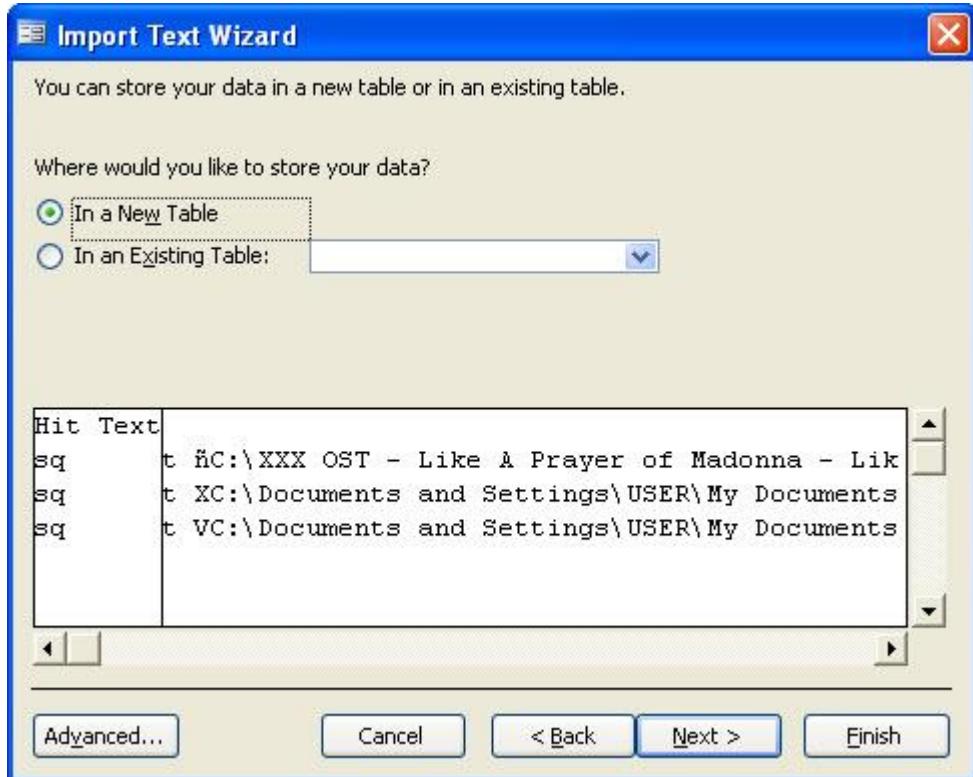


Like previous import – select <Delimited> import – Click <Next>

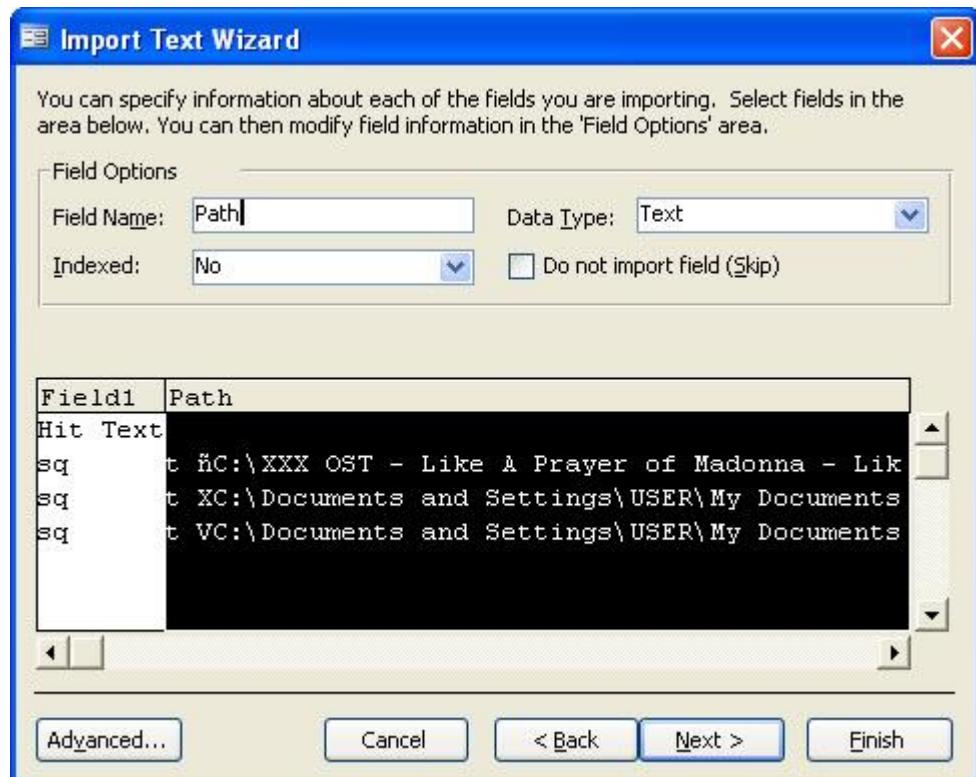




Again – choose the “~” as your separator – Click <Next>



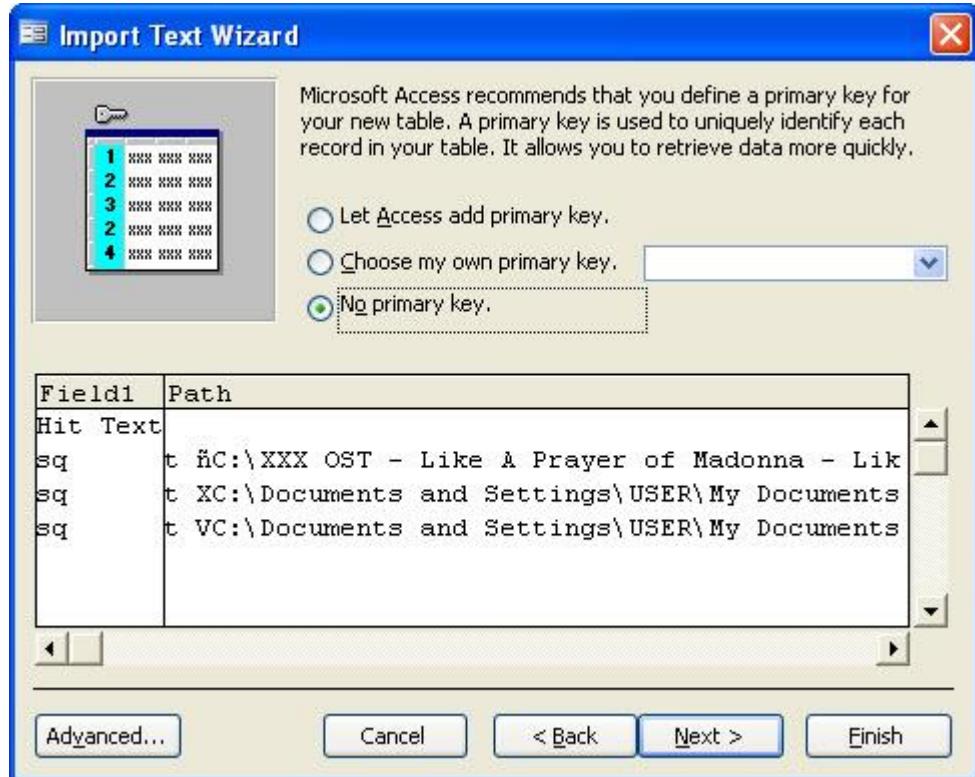
Select <In a new table> and create a new table for the data Click <Next>



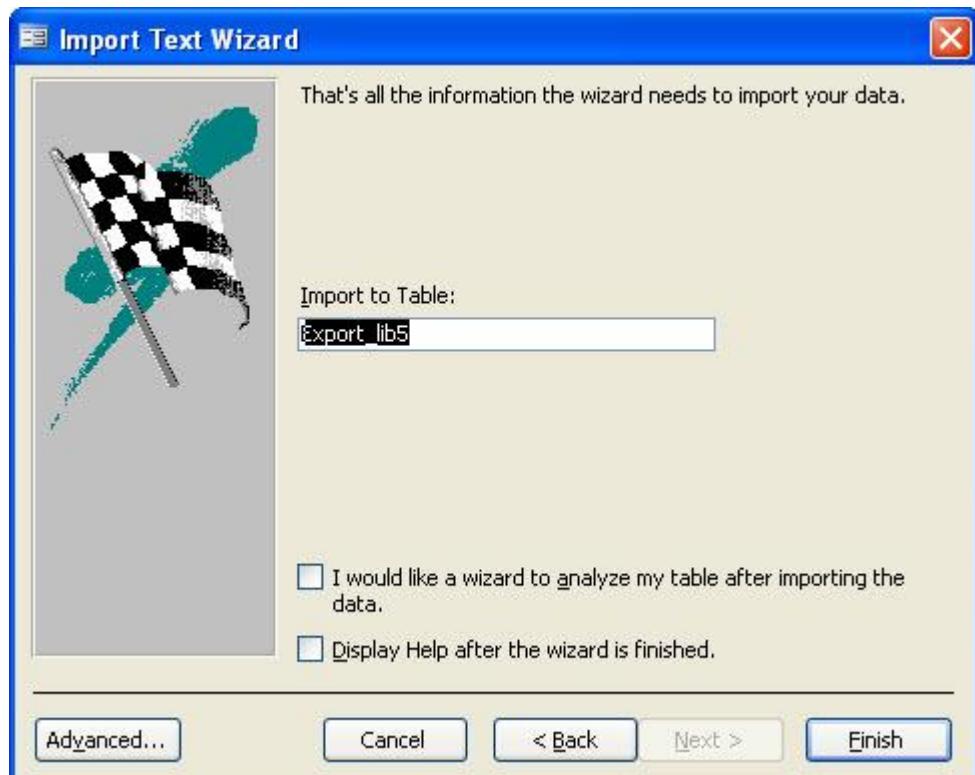


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Rename "Field2" to "Path" – click <Next>



Choose <No primary key> - Click <Next>

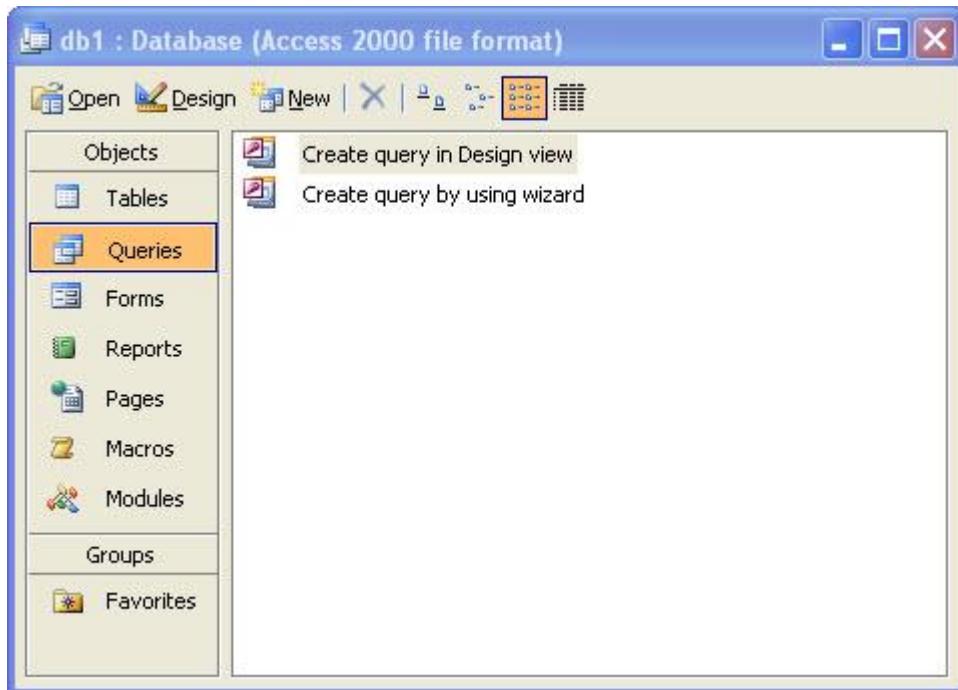




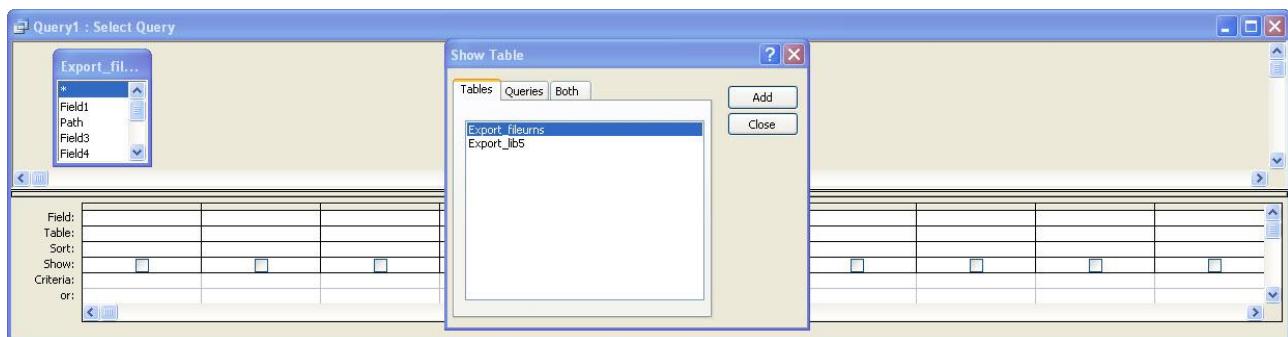
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You have now imported the data into the new table.

To clean out some of the data use the queries shown below



Select <Queries> -> <Create a query in Design view>



Doubleclick the “Export_fileurns” table and click <Close>



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Query1 : Select Query

Export_fileurns

*	
Field1	
Path	
Field3	
Field4	
SHA1	
Field6	
Field7	

Field: Path SHA1
Table: Export_fileurns Export_fileurns
Sort:
Show:
Criteria: or:

Drag the fields “Path” and “SHA1” to the “Field box”

File Edit View Insert Query Tools Window Help

Design View
Datasheet View
SQL View
PivotTable View
PivotChart View

(Access 2000 file format)

Query

Export_fileurns

*	
Field1	
Path	
Field3	
Field4	
SHA1	
Field6	
Field7	

Field: Path SHA1
Table: Export_fileurns Export_fileurns
Sort:
Show:
Criteria: or:

Click the arrow next to the “View button” and select <SQL View>



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The screenshot shows the Microsoft Access Query1 window. The title bar says "Query1 : Select Query". The SQL code in the query window is:

```
SELECT Mid(Export_fileurns.Path,14) AS Path, Mid(Export_fileurns.SHA1,14,32) AS SHA1 INTO Cleaned_data
FROM Export_fileurns;
```

Paste the following text in to the query window

```
SELECT Mid(Export_fileurns.Path,14) AS Path, Mid(Export_fileurns.SHA1,14,32) AS SHA1 INTO
Cleaned_data FROM Export_fileurns;
```

Click the read Exclamation mark on the top menu to run the query



Select <Yes>



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Path	SHA1
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-add-row-after-active.gif	RUQFIGWUOTXP6QSRLZ36QG6
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\html\folder.pngxsq	2D3F2SPM5Z7F7JGKUYFRCK3
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\My Documents\LimeWire\Saved\Madonna - Like A Prayer.mp3xsq	77SYCGFJPP47VQ54TSNBCTJL
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\fsumfrontend-1.5.5.1-bin\INSTALL.txtxsq	GFJLJQL2S5F050SQBM5ME5M
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-add-row-after.gifxsq	T5KRM72IIPJFIUSBTMLNBLMJ
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-add-column-before-how	NKTV7L20TV6OBR2D3HYBJUJ
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-remove-row-hover.gifxs	HCO2626NBOUEUQJ5ZZFP6AV
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-add-column-before.gifx	2B2HEKK4PA7VFBBMOJ5L5DS
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C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\README.txtxsq	Q6V57D75YZORPI75PXBCCN6C
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-add-row-before-hover.gi	EJVSHTKFKF3DIDEMOLZBJAO
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-remove-row.gifxsq	REOJMPFTYJTCRXFRRW2WKF
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-remove-row-active.gifxs	M7ALXLUKY30RFS3GMIPKOF
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\fsumfrontend-1.5.5.1-bin\changelog.txtxsq	EUEJXQKG6SUYC66D62JPWNF
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\My Documents\LimeWire\Saved\Metallica - Enter Sandman.mp3xsq	TJTGY16WE2D5EPC3QWY7LIN
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-remove-column.gifxsq	REOJMPFTYJTCRXFRRW2WKF
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-remove-column-hover.g	HCO2626NBOUEUQJ5ZZFP6AV
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\arrowd.gifxsq	3S6CXYYXBUV2BZJU6DWJOFDE
C:\XXX OST - Like A Prayer of Madonna - Like A Prayer Copy of Mador	
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\hiddenWindow.htmlxsq	4M2F7MCZXYFBP7WJ6IJPS7VN
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\fsumfrontend-1.5.5.1-bin\readme.txtxsq	K4D43ZMOFIZOAF3WDUNIWBF
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-add-row-after-hover.gifx	NTLWVEMLKABB605PPUHVG

You have now cleaned out most of the “clutter” in both fields – but you still need to remove some data from the “Path” column

File	Edit	View	Insert	Format	Records	Tools	Window	Help
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	Cut	Ctrl+X						
	Copy	Ctrl+C						
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	Paste	Ctrl+V						
	Paste Special...							
	Paste as Hyperlink							
	Paste Append							
	Delete	Del						
	Delete Record							
	Delete Column							
	Select Record							
	Select All Records	Ctrl+A						
	Find...	Ctrl+F						
	Replace...	Ctrl+H						
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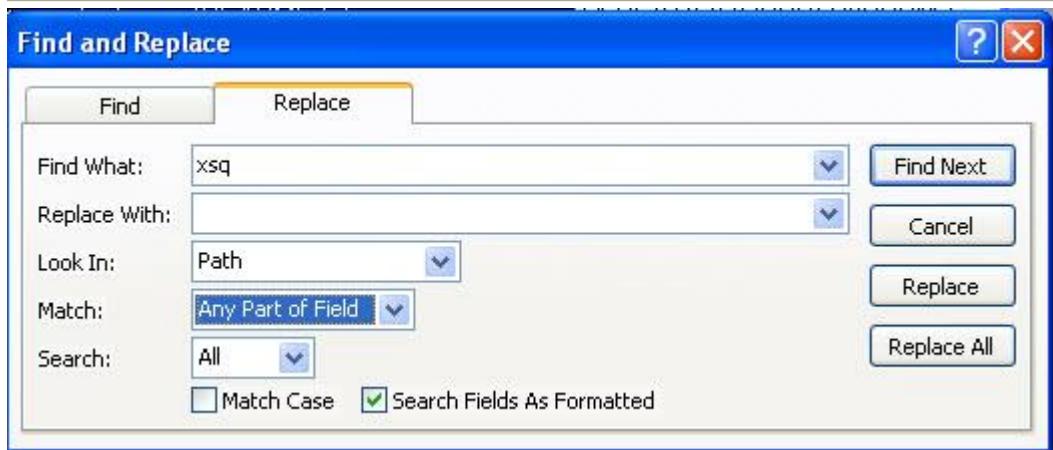
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\My Documents\LimeWire\Saved\Metallica - Enter Sandman.mp3xsq

Path	SHA1
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ISER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\html\folder.pngxsq	2D3F2SPM5Z7F7JGKUYFRCK3
ISER\My Documents\LimeWire\Saved\Madonna - Like A Prayer.mp3xsq	77SYCGFJPP47VQ54TSNBCTJL
ISER\Desktop\fsumfrontend-1.5.5.1-bin\INSTALL.txtxsq	GFJLJQL2S5F050SQBM5ME5M
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ISER\Desktop\LimeWire\browser\xulrunner\res\table-remove-row.gifxsq	REOJMPFTYJTCRXFRRW2WKF
ISER\Desktop\fsumfrontend-1.5.5.1-bin\changelog.txtxsq	M7ALXLUKY30RFS3GMIPKOF
ISER\Desktop\fsumfrontend-1.5.5.1-bin\changelog.txtxsq	EUEJXQKG6SUYC66D62JPWNF
ISER\My Documents\LimeWire\Saved\Metallica - Enter Sandman.mp3xsq	TJTGY16WE2D5EPC3QWY7LIN

Highlight the “Path” column – Click <Edit> -> <Replace>



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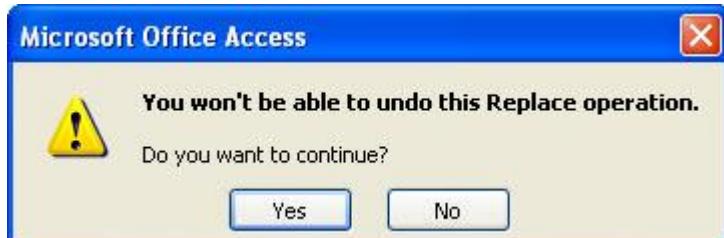


Type "xsq" in the "Find What" field

Leave "Replace With" empty

Choose "Any part of field" under "Match"

Click "Replace All"



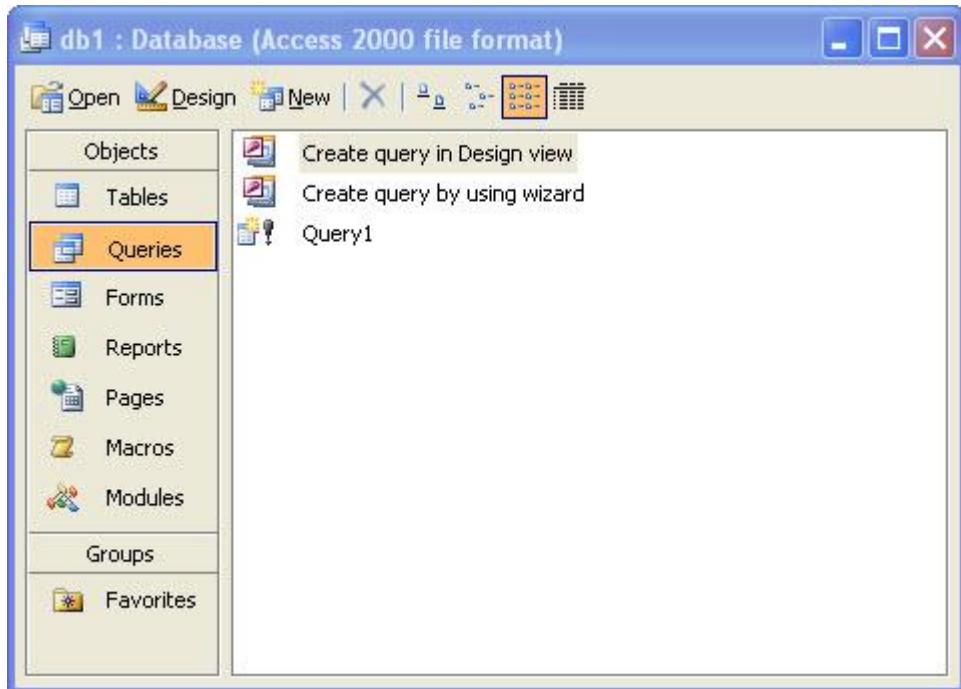
Click <Yes>

The "clutter data" has now been removed from the table.

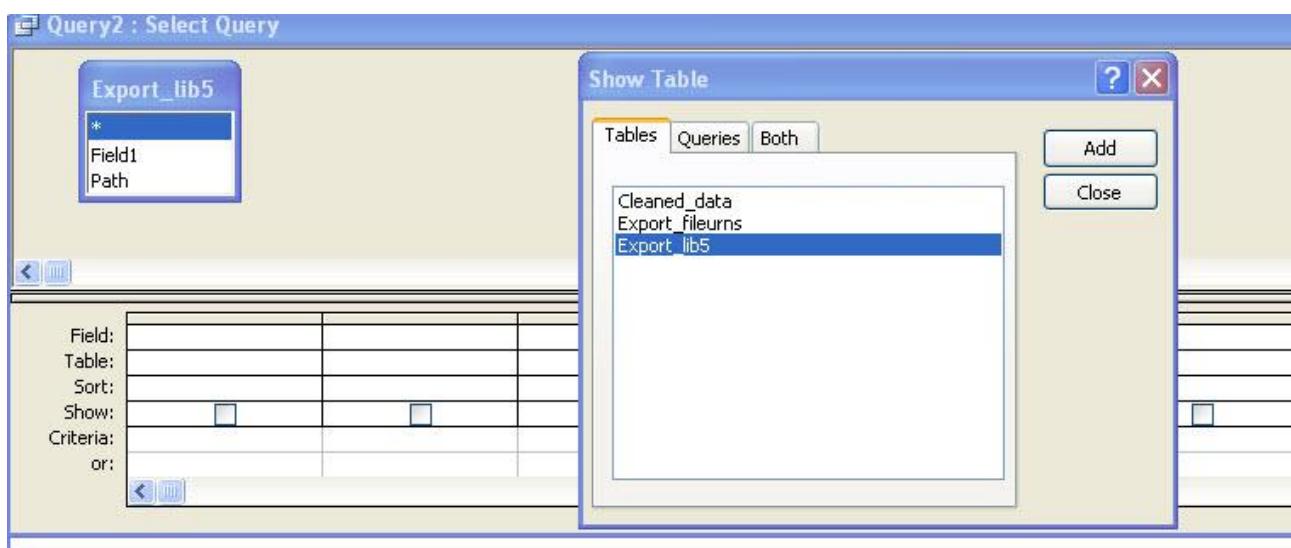
You now need to repeat the process to clean out clutter from the "library5.dat" file.



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Select <Queries>-><Create query in Design view>



Choose the “Export_lib5” table – click <Close>



```
Query2 : Make Table Query
SELECT Mid(Export_lib5.Path,4) AS Path INTO Cleaned_lib5
FROM Export_lib5;
```

Click the “View button” to get to the <SQL view>

Paste the following into the query

```
SELECT Mid(Export_lib5.Path,4) AS Path INTO Cleaned_lib5 FROM Export_lib5;
```

Click the red exclamation mark in the menu and run the query



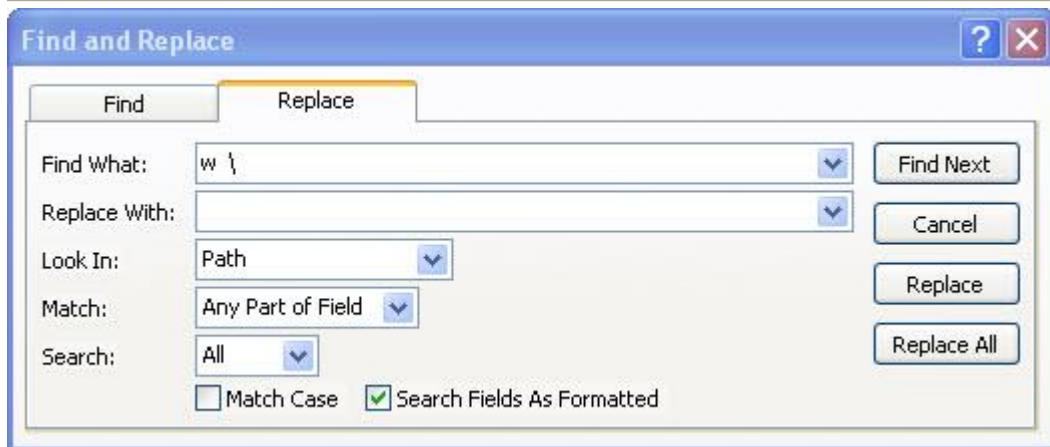
Click <Yes>

Open the new table. Highlight the “path” column

Click <Edit> -><Replace>



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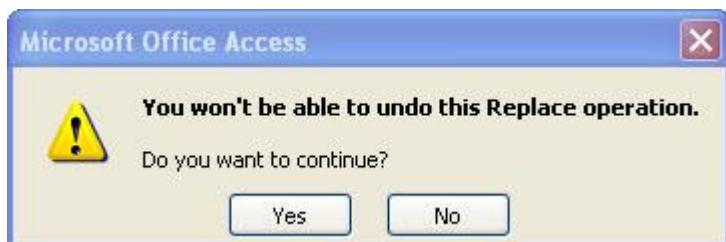


Type in “w \” in the “Find What” field

Choose “Path” in the “Look in” field

“Any part of Field” in “Match”

Click <Replace All>



Click <Yes>

To compare the data you need to create a new query

Select <Queries>-><Create query in Design view> and create a new query



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The screenshot shows the 'Query3 : Select Query' interface. On the left, there are two tables: 'Cleaned_data' and 'Cleaned_lib5'. The 'Cleaned_data' table has fields: * (selected), Path, and SHA1. The 'Cleaned_lib5' table has fields: * (selected) and Path. Below the tables is a query builder grid with columns for Field, Table, Sort, Show, Criteria, and or. On the right, a 'Show Table' dialog box is open, showing a list of tables: Cleaned_data, Cleaned_lib5, Export_fileurns, and Export_lib5. There are 'Tables', 'Queries', and 'Both' tabs at the top of the dialog.

Select the two tables “Cleaned_data” and “Cleaned_lib5”

You have to create a relationship between the two tables. The data you want to “match” is the “Path” column in both tables. You create the relationship by selecting the “Path” field from one column and drag it on to the “Path” field in the other column. The relationship is created, and is shown by a line between the two fields

The screenshot shows the 'Query3 : Select Query' interface after establishing a relationship. A line connects the 'Path' field in the 'Cleaned_data' table to the 'Path' field in the 'Cleaned_lib5' table. The query builder grid below shows the 'Path' field selected in the 'Field' column for both tables. The 'Table' column lists 'Cleaned_data' for both rows. The 'Criteria' row shows checkboxes for the first two columns, with the first one checked.

From the “Cleaned_data” you select both fields and drag them on to the “Field” field. You have now created the query. Click the red exclamation mark and run the query. You will now get a result like below.



Query3 : Select Query	
Path	SHA1
D:\Documents and Settings\USER\My Documents\LimeWire\Saved\Metallica - Enter Sandman.mp3	TJTGYI6WE2D5EPC3QWY7LINXBINTYZ35
C:\Documents and Settings\USER\My Documents\LimeWire\Saved\Madonna - Like A Prayer.mp3	77SYCGFJPP47VQ54TSNBCTJLVXGAX2X7

In this query you have now established the connection between the data in “fileurns.cache” and “library5.dat” and shown what files are shared (If you had chosen to only select files that had the share bit set to sharing)

Searching for data in unallocated clusters

The mentioned GREP searches can be used in unallocated clusters to find information on deleted files, previous downloads etc. The search hits can be extracted and “parsed” in the same way as mentioned above. This gives the possibility to prove earlier possession of the files (if you have a database of illegal material to compare with).

To prove the sharing of these files is not 100% possible/sure. This relies on the fact, that the user previously could have changed his “number of uploads at once” to “0”. As mentioned under “limewire.props” this will result in the creation of the line “HARD_MAX_UPLOADS=0”. It’s possible to make a GREP search for this line. If you don’t get any hits on this search, it’s quite possible, that the sharing not has been disabled by turning down the number of uploads – but you can not be absolutely sure (it depends on the situation, amount of data, size of unallocated clusters etc). The presence of SHA1 values in “fileurns.cache” entries from unallocated clusters will though constitute the evidence of, that this particular file previously has been in the “library” and therefore in possession of the user

As the development of clients is ever growing, this is only a “snapshot” in time of what is possible to find. Some information might not be present in this version, but will be in the next.

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