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The Beauty and Joy of Computing

Lecture #14 Global Impact of Computing II



Rowhammer flips bits in your memory!

Google's researchers have shown a technique for compromising a user's computer using a memory flaw. It flips the bits in adjacent memory rows and the charge that leaks out of those rows makes the middle row flip sometimes!





Computing Enables Innovation

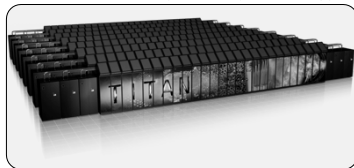
Computing Enables Innovation (in nearly every field) I

- Machine learning and data mining have enabled innovation in medicine, business, and science.
- Scientific computing has enabled innovation in science and business.
- Computing enables innovation by providing the ability to access and share information.
- Open and curated scientific databases have benefited scientific researchers.

IBM Watson (Image by Clockready, Wikipedia)



Titan Supercomputer. Courtesy of Oak Ridge National Laboratory, U.S. Dept. of Energy



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(Cal) Question (thanks to BH)



Music on your portable player: Where do you get it?

- a) I paid to download everything on my iPod
- b) I bought everything, as a download or ripped from CD/DVD
- c) I bought most of my music but there are a few exceptions
- d) I bought a little of my music, but most of it I didn't buy
- e) It's all from Limewire / BitTorrent / friends / etc





Economic, Social, Cultural Contexts

Economic, Social, Cultural Contexts I

- **Computing innovations influence and are influenced by the economic, social, and cultural contexts in which they are designed and used!**

Laptop (Image by Petr Kratochvil,
publicdomainpictures.net)



Economic, Social, Cultural Contexts II

- **Mobile, wireless, and networked computing have an impact on innovation throughout the world.**
- **Networks and infrastructure are supported by both commercial and governmental initiatives.**
- **The innovation and impact of social media and online access varies in different countries and in different socioeconomic groups.**

Arab Spring (Image by Soerfm, *Wikipedia*)

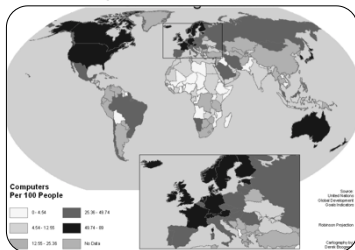




Economic, Social, Cultural Contexts III

- The global distribution of computing resources raises issues of equity, access, and power.
- Groups and individuals are affected by the “digital divide” — differing access to computing and the Internet based on socioeconomic or geographic characteristics.

Global Digital Divide (Public Domain)





(Cal) Question

**The best way to help
with the Digital Divide
is...**

- a) Free iPads for all kids
- b) More computers in libraries
- c) Free wifi for communities
- d) One Laptop Per Child
- e) Old school talking to people
in their houses.





Intellectual Property



Intellectual Property via Copyright

▪ Brian Harvey:

- "We're going to make a bargain with creators. We're going to give you a limited time monopoly to profit from your idea in return for sharing your idea with us. ...
- Congress keeps extending the duration of copyright"

▪ US Constitution, Article I, Section 8:

- "The Congress shall have power... to promote the Progress of Science and useful Arts, by securing for limited Times to Authors and Inventions the exclusive Right to their respective Writings and Discoveries."



Logo for opposition to CTEA

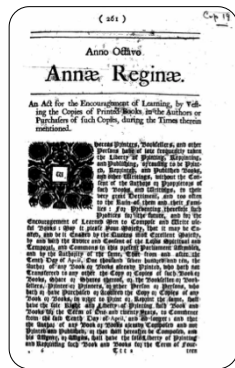




Economic, Social, Cultural Contexts I

- Widespread access to digitized information raises questions about intellectual property.
- Creation of digital audio, video, and textual content by combining existing content has been impacted by copyright concerns.
- The Digital Millennium Copyright Act (DMCA) has been a benefit and a challenge in making copyrighted digital material widely available.

The Statute of Anne, the origin of modern Copyright law, from 1710 (Public Domain)





First Illegal Prime Number

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Economic, Social, Cultural Contexts II







- **Legal and Ethical concerns are raised by**
 - Innovations enabled by computing
 - Authenticated and anonymous access to digital information
 - Commercial and governmental censorship of digital information
 - Open source and licensing of software and content
 - Commercial access to music and movie downloads and streaming
 - Access to digital content via peer-to-peer networks





Creative Commons

- **A GREAT way to share / remix / reuse content**
 - Legal!
 - Set of licenses
 - Website for sharing CC content
- **Open access and Creative Commons have enabled broad access to digital information.**

	BY = Attribution	Share Alike	No Derivs	Non Commercial
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