Understanding law and licensing collecting, using and publishing data

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Overview

- Consumer
 - Collecting
 - Using
- Producer
 - Publishing

Scope

Not today: Copyright, for example in:

- images
- sounds
- text (eg user comments)

data

Database Directive (96/9/EC)

a collection of independent works, data or other materials which (a) are arranged in a systematic or methodical way, and (b) are individually accessible by electronic or other means

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Database Right

- substantial investment
- ► in:
 - obtaining
 - verifying
 - presenting
- rewards investment
- "substantial" can be qualitative as well as quantitative

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Football

- ► Fixtures lists /it Arsenal v Man City 12:45 (13 September 2014)
- ► Football data
 - when goals were scored
 - who was "man of the match"
 - **.**..

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Football II

- Fixtures lists
 - ► No database right (Fixtures Marketing C-444/02)
 - No independent investment in obtaining, verifying or presenting
 - Big shock. What does it mean?
- Football data
 - Database right (Football Dataco v Stan James Court of Appeal)
 - Not tested in Europe

Infringement

For all IP rights - infringement tells you the extent of the right. For database right:

- Extraction (of a substantial part)
 - i.e. copying
 - occurs if a substantial part of the data appears elsewhere
 - can be done by hand, need not end up with same schema
- Re-utilization (of a substantial part)
 - i.e. making available to the public
 - generally: publishing on the web
 - meta search engine (Innoweb v Wegener C-202/12)
- repeated and systematic insubstantial extraction and/or re-utilisation
 - conflicts with normal exploitation of database
 - or unreasonably prejudice's maker's legitimate interests

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Database Copyright

- An instance of copyright
- author's own intellectual creation in:
 - selection
 - arrangement
- ► Not football fixtures lists (Football Dataco v Yahoo!)

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Example: German Poems

- 100 most important poems in German literature between 1730 and 1900
 - significant data mining effort given to
 - German Professor for final decision
- used as inspiration for another list
 - infringement of database right by extraction (Directmedia Publishing v Albert-Ludwigs-Universitt Freiburg C-304/07)
 - infringement of database copyright (German court)

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Access Rights

- scraping
- using robots

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