

Content identification

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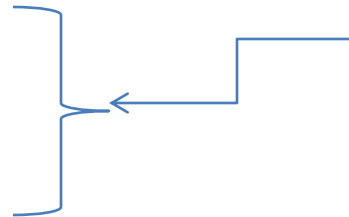
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General

1. Physical Vs. digital goods,
2. Classic DRM
 - a. Before the fact,
 - b. After the fact,
 - (i) Fingerprints,
 - (ii) Traitor tracing,
3. *New DRM.*

Today's talk

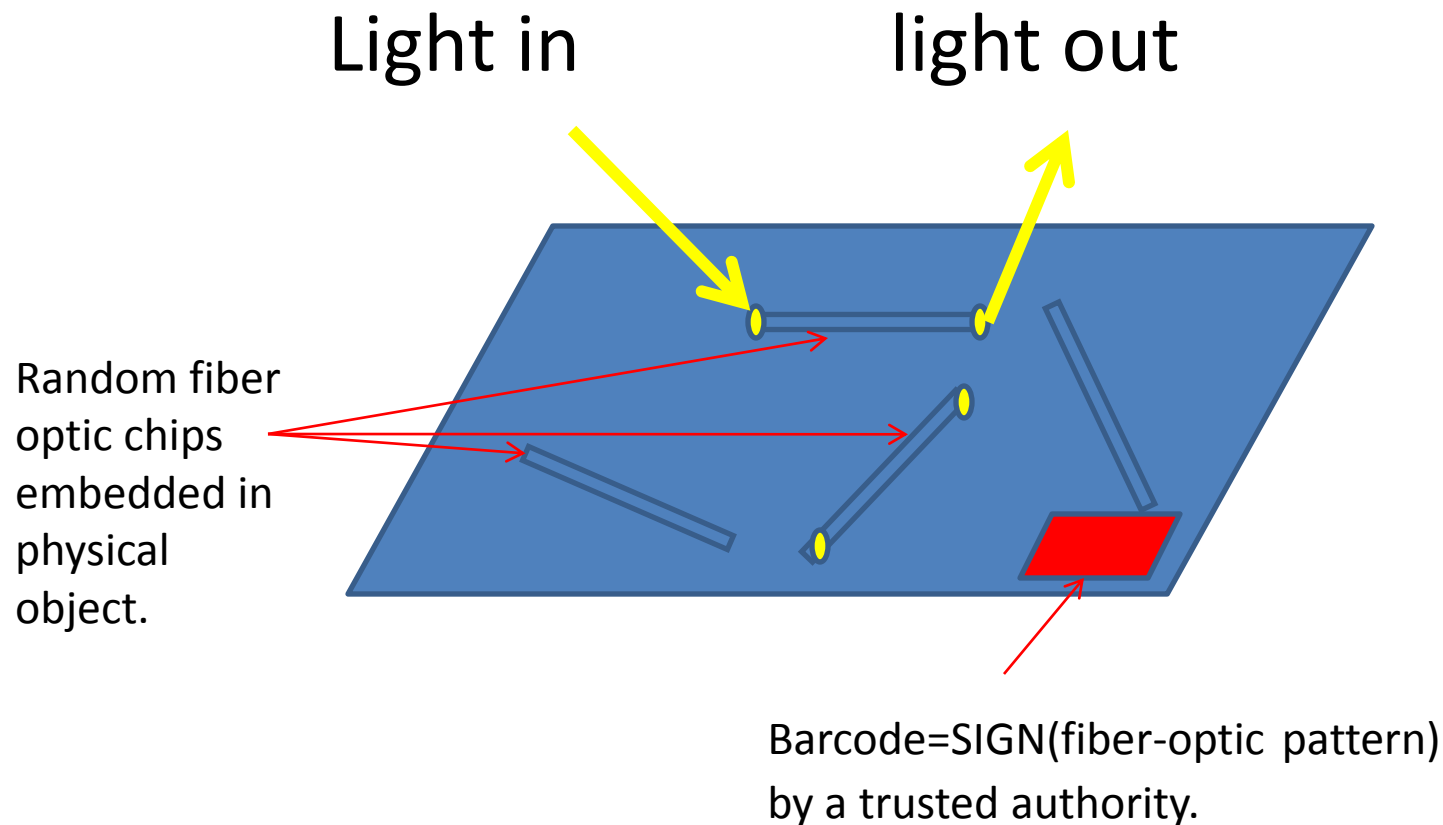
1. Speculate about new DRM,
2. Economics
 - a. Piracy
 - b. *Counterfeiting*



Damage from Counterfeiting

1. World Economic Forum: Damage from counterfeiting went from \$430b in 2004 to \$3t in 2007.
2. Physical counterfeiting (medicine, aviation parts, etc.). Solution: *Don Bauder & Gus Simmons* of Sandia National Labs, SALT agreement, 70's.

Physical counter counterfeiting (Bauder & Simmons)



How good can it possibly get?

(new DRM)

DRM for web hosting (“the new DRM”):

Web-host shares ad-revenues w/producer.
Identify the true producer.

Comparison

- The new DRM problem is easier to solve than the classic one. It enjoys numerous *systemic* advantages.
- In addition, replacing watermark technology with *media-hashing* has *operational*, *computational* complexity, and *robustness* advantages.

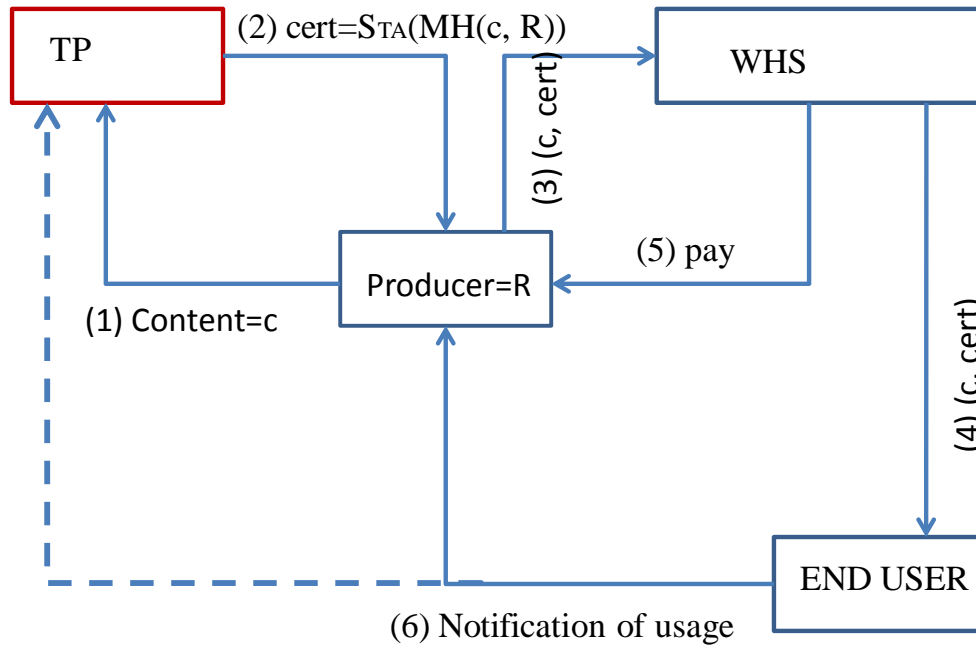
Media hashing

- *Objects* $C_i \cong C_j \rightarrow h(C_i) = h(C_j)$.

[Ref.: M.H. Jakobowski; M. K. Mihcak; R. Venkatesan]

- Creator R created object c .
- A trusted party TP issues a certificate $cert = SIGN_{TP}(h(c), R)$, if it hasn't seen $h(c)$ before.

A possible new DRM system



TP=trusted party,
WHS= Web hosting service,
MH=Media hash,
STA (m)=Signature of TA on m.

Fig. 1: Ad-based revenue generation using media hashing to control fraud.

Systemic advantages of new DRM

- End user is not the enemy;
- Attacker does not know the secret key, and cannot even experiment with the decoder as a black box;
- The assumption that end-user does not modify her player is realistic (since she is not a side in this struggle).

Advantages of hashing over marking

- Operational: Protects the *past*.
- Complexity & Robustness: By def. more efficient & more robust (\in watermarking),
- Example: current image-hash tolerate $\pm 20^0$ rotations. For images, $360/(2*20)=9$ trials are enough. For video, after $\pm 20^0$ rotations it is not valuable, so 1 trial.

How good is good enough?

(classic DRM)

REFERENCES

- Banerjee, D.S., 2003, 2006 (“piracy.”),
- YY & Gideon Yaniv in this proceedings.

Counterfeiting Vs. Piracy

- CF looks like original, costs like original, and counterfeiter competes against legal producer in the same market.

Setting

- **Def.:** q = probability to correctly trace (eg, using sting ops), successfully prosecute, and penalize a counterfeiter.
- **Q:** What is the payoff of improving q ?

Over simplifications

- Counterfeiter mimic original w/out costs,
- Consumers pay full price for counterfeits,
- Everybody is economically rational.

Reasonable Assumptions

1. Once traced & successfully prosecuted there is a fixed proportion $1/\gamma$ between crime and punishment.
2. Audit events are independent,
3. Probability of false positives is negligible (adjust threshold accordingly).

Notations

- x = # illegal copies,
- q = Pr[detection after a single illegal copy],
- $q = \alpha\beta$,
- $\pi(x)$ = Pr[det. after x copies] = $1 - (1 - q)^x$,
- p = price of a copy,
- F = \$ punishment,
- $\gamma = F/xp = \text{punish/crime}$,
- $P(x)$ = gain of the CF,
$$= (1 - \pi(x))px - \pi(x)F$$
- x^* = optimal CF production,
- Lambert : $L(z)e^{L(z)} = z$,
- $\lambda(\gamma) = L\left(e \cdot \frac{\gamma}{1 + \gamma}\right) - 1$.

More precisely

$$x^* = \min\left\{ D(p)/n, \frac{\lambda(\gamma)}{\ln(1-q)} \right\}$$

Market size at price p

Number of independent counterfeiting groups.

Henceforth we ignore boundary conditions, and some other details, assuming $x^* < D(p)/n$, and $q > 0$.

The Counterfeiter

Theorem 1:

$$(i) \quad x^* = \lambda(\gamma) / \ln(1 - q) \approx -\lambda(\gamma) / q,$$

$$(ii) \quad P(x^*) > 0,$$

$$(iii) \quad \pi(x^*) = 1 - e^{\lambda(\gamma)}.$$

i.e. $\pi(x^*)$ is independent of q and p .

It depends only on γ .

Corollary : $\pi(x_w^*) = \pi(x_o^*)$.

The economics of the protection

- $n = \#$ counterfeiters.
- Subscripts w, o denote parameter values w ith and w ithout improvement (technological, or audit rate),
- For $i \in \{w, o\}$ R_i = revenues of legal producer.
- $P_2 = R_w - R_o$ = payoff of legal producer due to improvement.

Payoff of the legal producer

$$R_w = (D(p) - x_w^*)p; \quad R_o = (D(p) - x_o^*)p,$$

$$P_2 = R_w - R_o,$$

For a single counterfeiter :

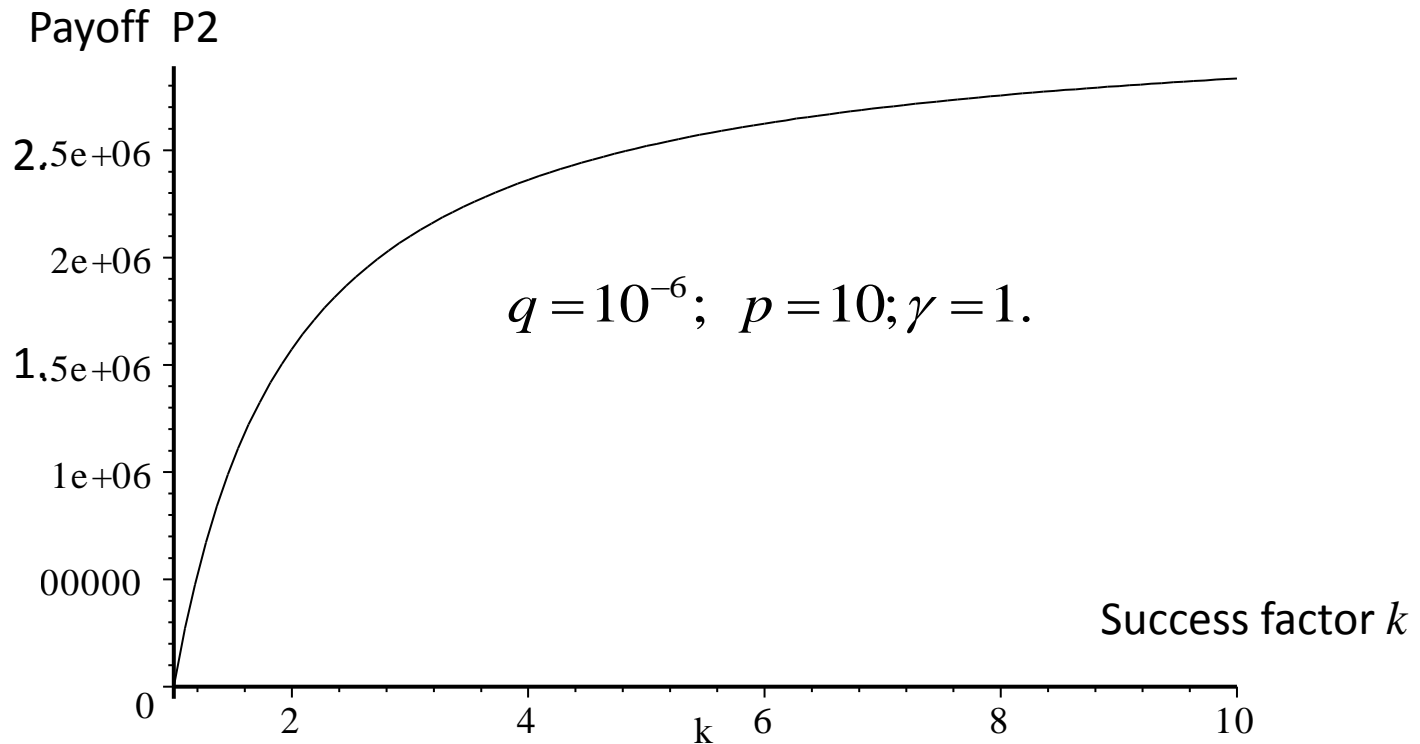
$$P_2 = \lambda(\gamma)p \left(\frac{1}{\ln(1 - q_o)} - \frac{1}{\ln(1 - q_w)} \right),$$

For n counterfeiters :

$$P_2 = \lambda(\gamma)np \left(\frac{1}{\ln(1 - q_o)} - \frac{1}{\ln(1 - q_w)} \right).$$

Success factor $k = q_w / q_o$.

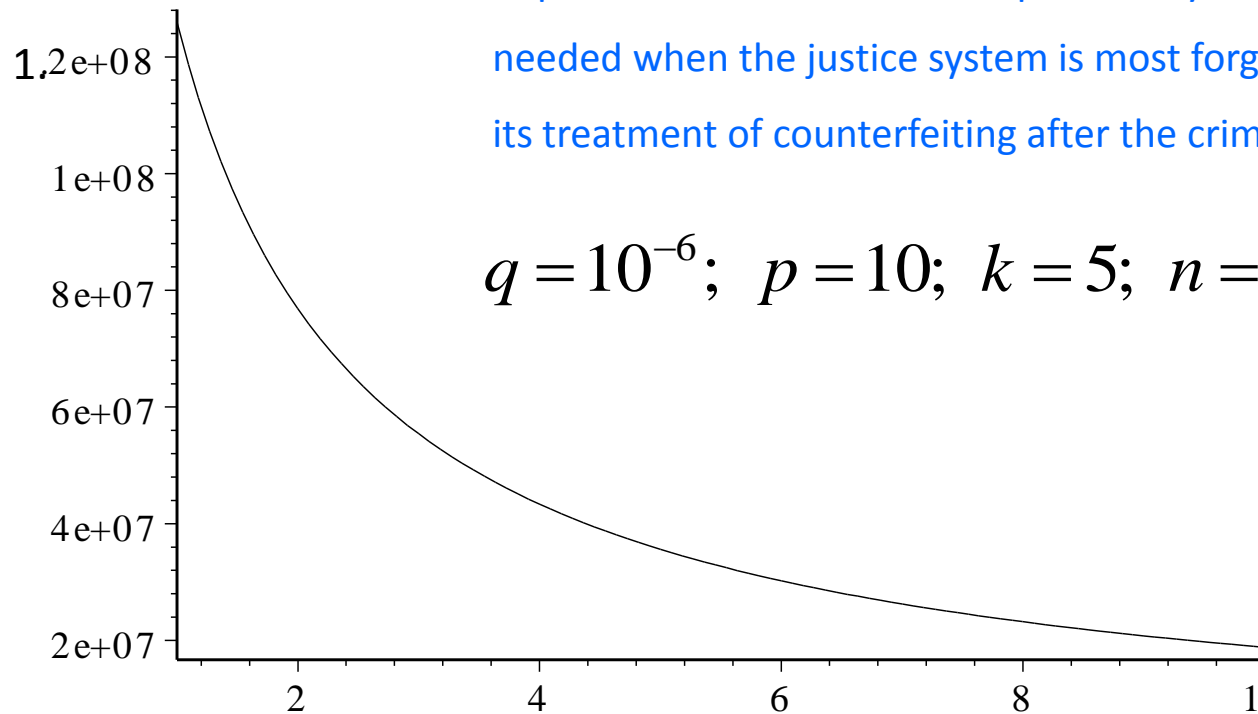
Freeze γ variable k



$K=5$ captures most of the payoff (re, how good is good enough).

Freeze k variable γ

Payoff P2



Improvement in audit success probability is most needed when the justice system is most forgiving in its treatment of counterfeiting after the crime has been proven.

$$q = 10^{-6}; p = 10; k = 5; n = 50$$

Max # counterfeiters

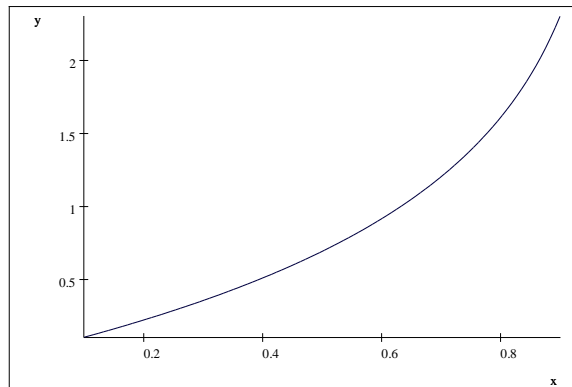
n counterfeiters crowd the market; each gets $x = D(p)/n < x^*$

$$\text{Claim : } n_{\max} = \frac{D(p) \ln(1-q)}{\ln\left(\frac{\gamma}{1+\gamma}\right)}$$

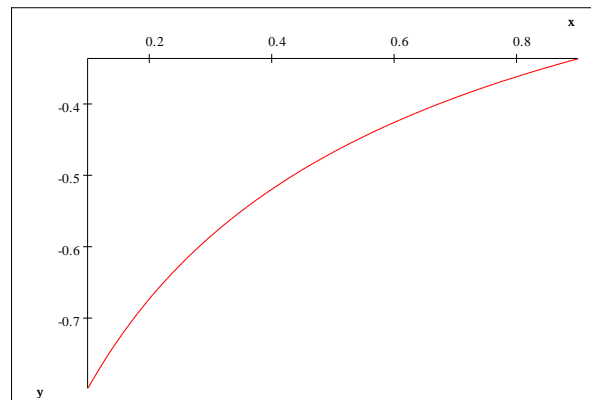
$$\text{Proof : } (1 - \pi(D/n))pD/n - \pi(D/n)F = 0,$$
$$F = \gamma p D / n.$$

APPENDIX

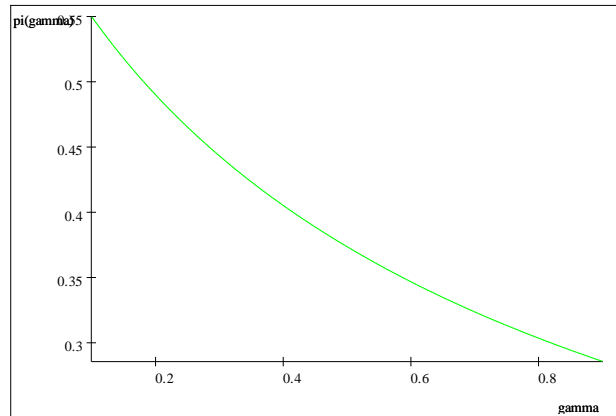
$$-\ln(1 - q)$$



$$\lambda(\gamma) = \text{LambertW}(e * \gamma / (1 + \gamma)) - 1$$



$$\pi(x^*) = 1 - e^{-\lambda(\gamma)}$$



$$\gamma = 1/2$$

$$\frac{n_{\max}}{D} = \frac{\ln(1-q)}{\ln(\gamma/(1+\gamma))}$$

