

Due electronically by 9:15am on Monday 26 April 2010

**Grading: Total of 150 points, allocated as
15 points for Social & Ethical Issues, 10 points for Professional Practices,
and 125 points for writing**

Re-read Section 4.3.4 Copyrights in the class textbook, especially the section on copyright creep. Read the Wikipedia article on the Copyright Term Extension Act (CTEA) of 1998, also known as the Sony Bono Copyright Term Extension Act, which is online at:

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Copyright_Term_Extension_Act

Read any supplemental material that you like from other sources, including the web. However, your reference list must include at least three references beyond the two mentioned above, and must include at least one non-web source.

Write an essay of 5-6 pages, not including your reference list, which should:

1. Summarize the motivation for CTEA, and the arguments for and against it. Limit this summary to at most 3 pages of your text.
2. Describe the special provisions in CTEA that apply to libraries.
3. Analyze whether or not similar special provisions should apply to the Internet.

Type your summary into a word processor such as Microsoft Word, Open Office, or Google Docs. Format the essay as follows: use a 12 point font, double-space your text, do not add an extra line between paragraphs, and indent the first line of each paragraph. Include a list of references, and properly cite each reference as it is used in your essay.

Save your essay in .DOC, .DOCX, or .PDF format. Use **your last name** and “**Homework7**” as the file name. Mail the file to me to me electronically, via email to walker@cs.kent.edu or rawalke1@kent.edu with “**Homework 7**” as the subject of the email. As always, I will reply to your email to confirm the receipt of your assignment.