

Glossary

TLA Three Letter Acronym

ETLA Extended Three Letter
Acronym

DETLA Double Extended Three
Letter Acronym

an internet Some networks that are
joined together.

the Internet The large internet
spanning much of the world.

InternetTM A media cyber culture
experience thingy yoke.

Machine Just another word for
computer.

Where did it come From ?

DARPA Defence Advanced Research
Projects Agency (1957).

DARPANET Their nuclear bomb
proof network (1969).

TCP/IP New protocol (1982).

NSFnet Backbone connecting 5
colleges (1986).

End of ARPANET NSFnet takes
over (1990).

News - The ultimate Letters Page?

news.answers, soc.culture.irish, ie.jobs,
rec.humour(.funny), sci.math,
soc.feminism

Kremvax

From: moskvax!kremvax!chernenko

Well, today, 840401, this is at
last the Socialist Union of
Soviet Republics joining the
Usenet network and saying hallo
to everybody.

Internet Worm

In 1988 a virus wriggled through thousands of machines on the Internet.

Written by Robert T. Morris Jr.

- Used the Internet to propagate itself.
- Possible due to a bug in the finger program in Unix.
- People still write programs with the same bug today!
- Wasted time, but didn't do any real damage.

1993 Internet Boom

1983 ZX Spectrum: 16KB

Memory, 4MHz Z80, 16 colours.

1991 NSF lift non-profit restriction.

1993 Amiga: 4MB of Memory, a
40MHz 68040, thousands of colours.

Modems From 300 to 28800 — also
100 times faster.

Material Public interest stuff became
available on the net.

Gopher Menu system for the net —
quickly replaced.

Web Mosaic — “Killer App”.

Web - What's out there ?

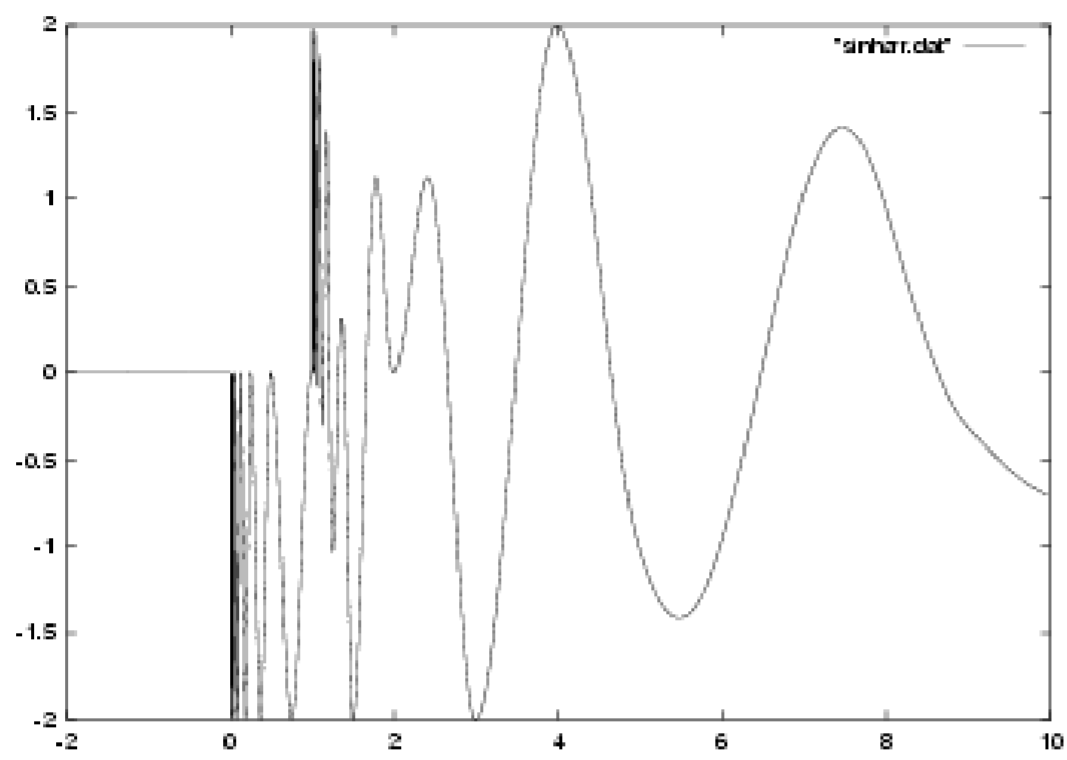
- Info about Technology, Science and Computers.
- Entertainment, News & weather.
- Search engines & robots.
- Advertising.
- On line business.
- More junk than you could shake a stick at.
- Everything?

Problems with the net

- Informal and undisciplined.
- People say and do things they wouldn't in the 'real' world.
- Import/Export — no borders.
- Copyright, Privacy, Freedom and Authenticity.
- SPAM: Global + People + Easy Copying = Advertising.
- Lots of people, Lots of noise.

You have to look for 'It'

On the web you have to search for some time to find anything you want.



The innocent aren't interested in nudity — it's embarrassing. Those who want to find nudity always will!