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Topics

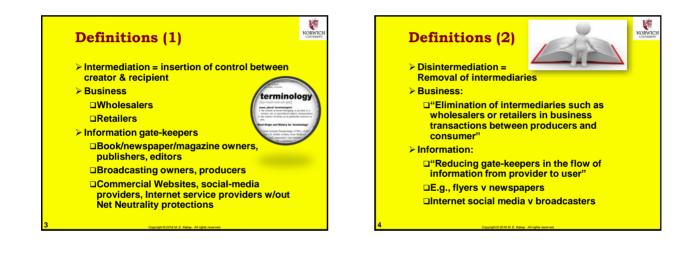
- Definitions
- Examples of Intermediated Communications
- Disintermediated Communications
- Re-Intermediation
- Discussion
- For Further Reading



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Note on Sources:

Much of the historical information used in these notes is based on encyclopedia entries using *Encarta & Wikipedia*.





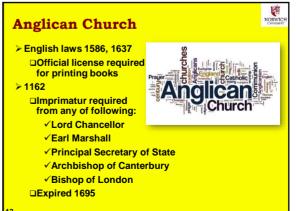
✓ E.g., how we identify ourselves in normal life

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Gutenberg

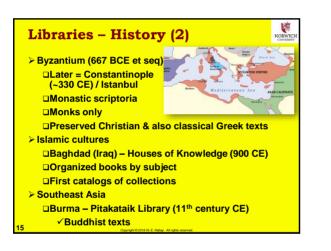
- > Before printing presses, copies only by hand
- > Non-moveable printing required carving each page (usually wood)
- > Gutenberg (~1400-1468) □Invented moveable type □Allowed mass production of printed materials
- Effects of wide available of print □Trans-border communications □Ideas challenging status quo □Increase in literacy

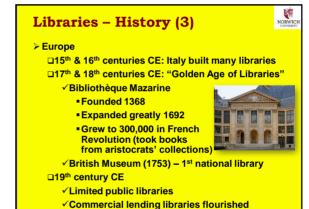
Breaking control of power structure

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- Libraries
- > Collections of information media □Reference
- □Borrowing > Physical or digital
- > History (1)

□Sumerian clay tablets with cuneiform (c 2600 BCE) □Papyrus collections of Egypt (c 1900 BCE et seq) □Mesopotamia clay tablets at Nineveh (700 BCE) □Alexandria (Egypt) – Ptolomy dynasty (300 BCE) ✓ Destroyed by fire (48 BCE) & war (270 CE) □Rome: public libraries – (40 BCE et seq) – 28 total







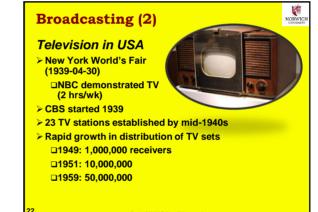
Flyers > ="Leaflets," "circulars," "handbills", "pamphlets".... > Various sizes but usually single page Invented after printing press Enormously popular in 15th – 16th centuries CE Especially for politics ✓ Occasionally banned by rulers □Also fiction, criticism.... > Used during time of English Civil Wars (1642-1651 CE) > Important during & after American Revolutionary War □Thomas Paine, Federalist Papers.... French Revolution (1787-1799) □Voltaire, Rousseau, Montesquieu, Diderot....

Carnegie Library Endowment (1883-1929): >2,000 public libraries

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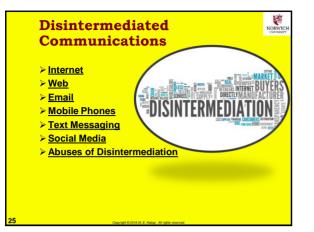


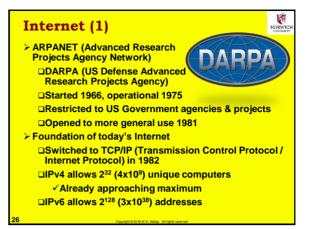


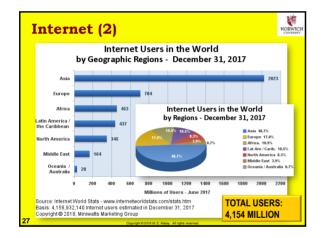


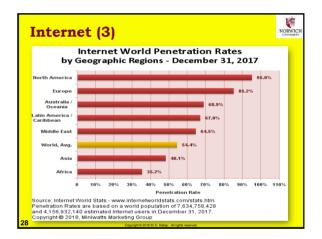


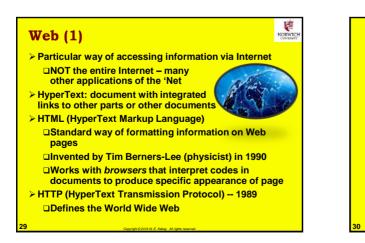




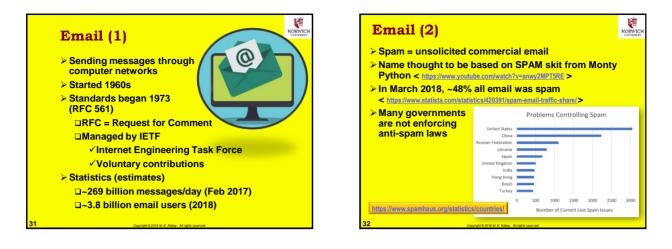




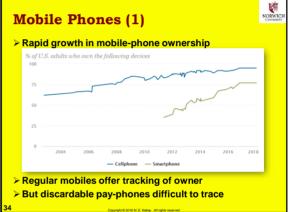






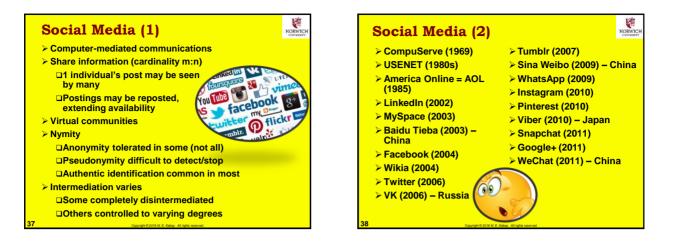


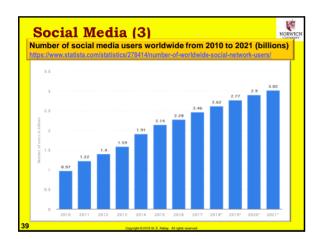


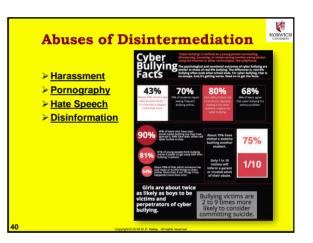












Harassment

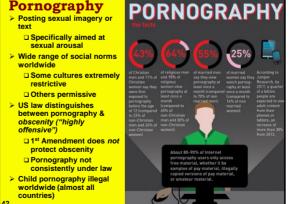
- > Cyberbullying: general term for online intimidation
- Cyberstalking follow victim, threaten
- Trolling provoke reactions online
- Doxing publishing private information online
- Swatting calling police w/ false warning of violence in progress
- Revenge Porn posting embarrassing pictures (usually nude or nearly so) of victim



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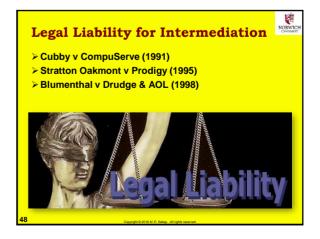
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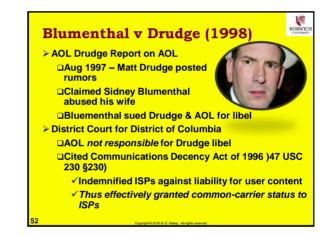


Cubby v CompuServe (1991) [1] CompuServe Provided thousands of discussion groups Disclaimed all responsibility for content posted by users System operators (SYSOPS) governed their own discussion groups (forums) Journalism Forum Established by Cameron Communications Rumorville = newsletter in Journalism Forum Created by Don Fitzpatrick Associates

 Published nasty comments about Skuttlebut newsletter (from Cubby Inc. & Robert Blanchard)

had no legal liability for that content.

Stratton Oakmont v Prodigy (1995)prodigy Prodigy provided bulletin boards > MoneyTalk board run by Charles Epstein Posted anonymous claims □Stratton Oakmont & president Daniel Porus involved in criminal fraud Stratton Oakmont sued Prodigy & poster STRATTON OAKMONT INC for libel Supreme Court, Nassau County, NY ruling (May 1995) DProdigy advertised its editorial control over content Therefore this provider was responsible for libel











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