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Briefly.....

- What can researchers do to retain rights and maximise dissemination??
 - Issues
 - Policy
 - ©
 - Licensing
 - Repository
 - Patent
 - Anything else *you* think of?

Some ferment in research

- PRO's *traditional v new* role?
- What do researchers seek?
- Who cares about IP?
- Which route to follow?

Universities (& PROs)

- Traditionally
 - Public good
 - Public conscience
 - Academic freedom
 - Open dissemination (open science)
- Trend
 - Commercialisation – agencies want technology implementations
 - Service (student=consumer)
 - Fetters

What researchers want

- Resources
 - ie funding & good students
- All the crass incentive stuff:
 - Fame and fortune;
 - Promotion....etc etc
- Projects driven by their ideas and imagination

Nature of IPRs

- Creation of scarcity
- Allocation of scarcity
- Balancing between public and private interests
 - Reward
 - Incentive
 - **Disseminate**
 - (inherent)

??

1. What are we trying to achieve with University (PRO) research?
2. What is a realistic model for university research today?
3. What do computer science faculty expect from the university to support their research?

In short

- Trend in PROs to get IPRs on everything
- Research is a fundamental tool for societal advancement
- Do we, as a research community, want IPR lockup?

©

- Original works... author gets rights automatically, but...
- But but we have a collective agreement
 - (with exceptions faculty keeps)
- Publishers that want everything?
- Better publishers (green publishers)
- Gold standard publishers ([doaj](#))

An example

- IEEE policies



- IEEE shas more than 2 million documents in the IEEE/IET Electronic Library

IEEE © policy

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Good example

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 - <http://www.irwinlaw.com/pages/content-commons/rights-management-information---mark-perry>
- **Creative Commons Legal Code Attribution-NonCommercial-NoDerivs 2.0 Canada**

Solutions

- Negotiate (it would be good if UWO did this on our behalf)
- Read © policy of journal/publisher before submitting
- Local server e-dissemination
- For the future, other means of ‘publication’

Think about!

- <http://www.oaklaw.qut.edu.au/>
 - Look at this site, if you do nothing else
- Can Web 2.0 change everything?
 - If it can it will be slow
- Use UWO servers to disseminate
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