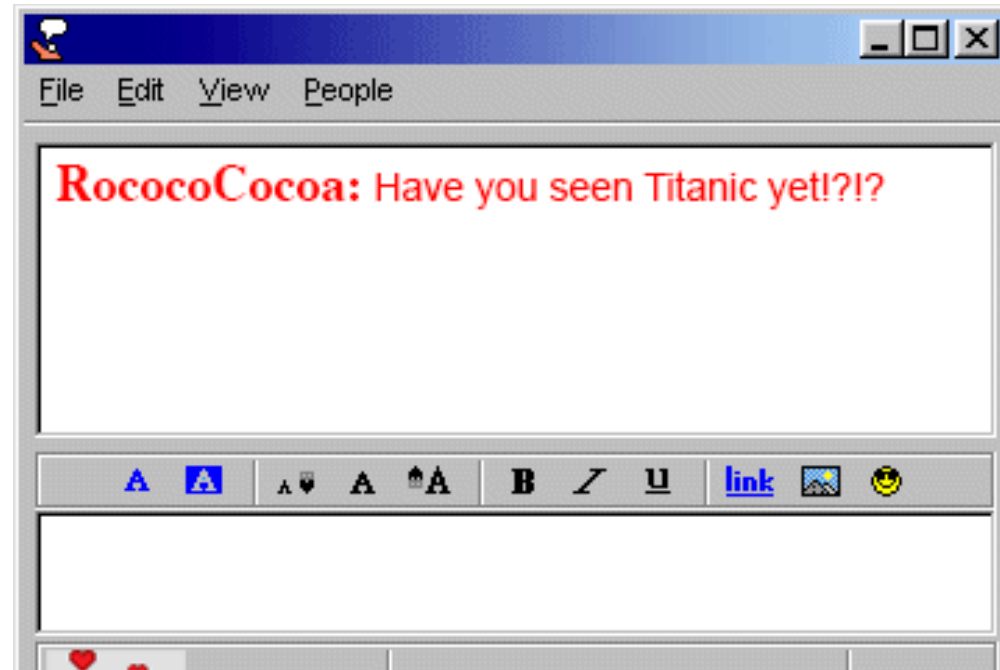


Chatroom

The very first excitement that I felt with internet was the chatroom. At the moment I didn't have my mobile phone or anything else, it was really hard to get in touch with my friend. I had to call their home or had to meet them in person. However, after MSN was introduced to my world it was like whole new world. I could send photos and emojis to express my feeling. There was two version of chat room. One was just the white window that I can text, and the other one is that I can go to digitalized room and pretend that I am meeting someone there and have conversation with like coke studios.



Chatroom with just text and emojis



Chatroom with digitalized room



Connection Struggles

One of the greatest change in internet world I recall is connection. There are several changes.

-Internet connection lines vs Wifi

-slow speed

«21 years ago BT Internet customers got 2.5Mb of web space and used a 33.6Kbps modem. Today, BT customers get up to 100GB online storage with BT Cloud and can enjoy speeds of up to 76Mb with BT Infinity superfast broadband.

-incomplete downloading of images

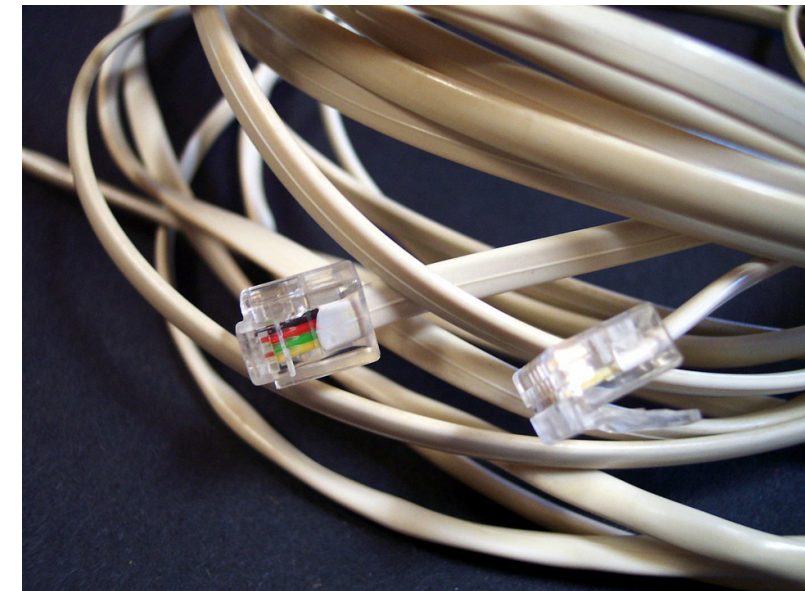
-connecting sound and unable to use it while using phone



slow connection problems



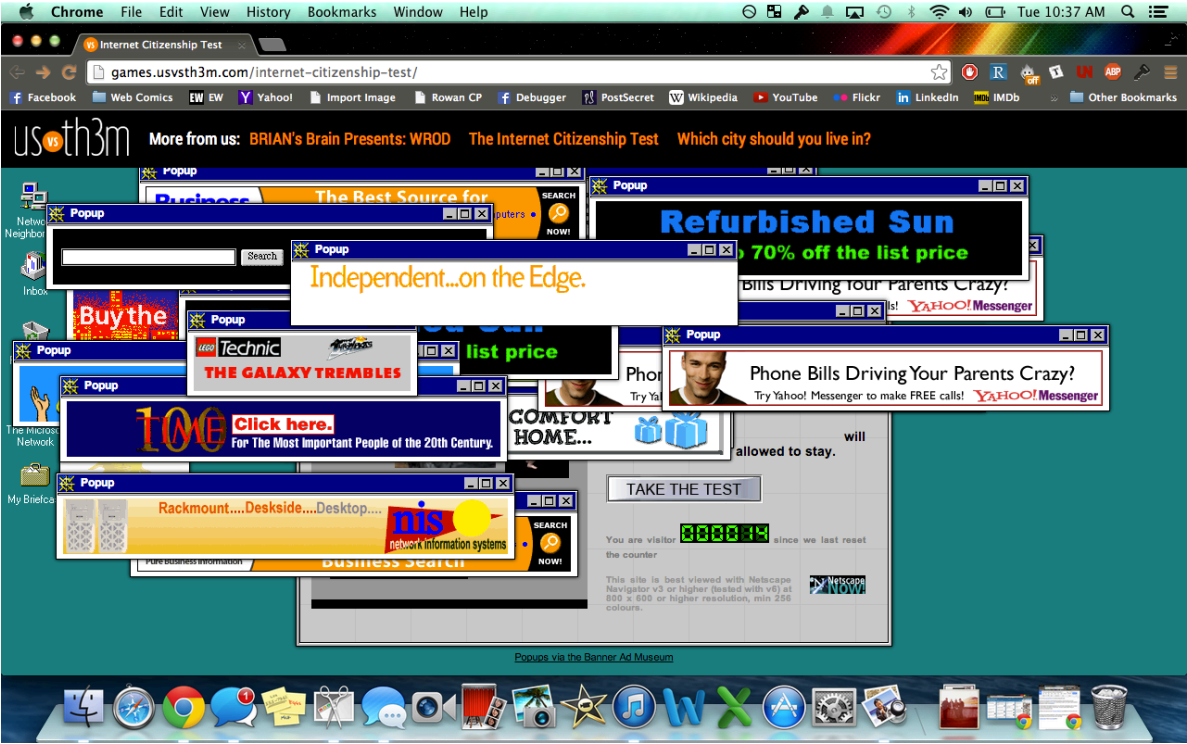
taking times to downloading images and sometimes incomplete



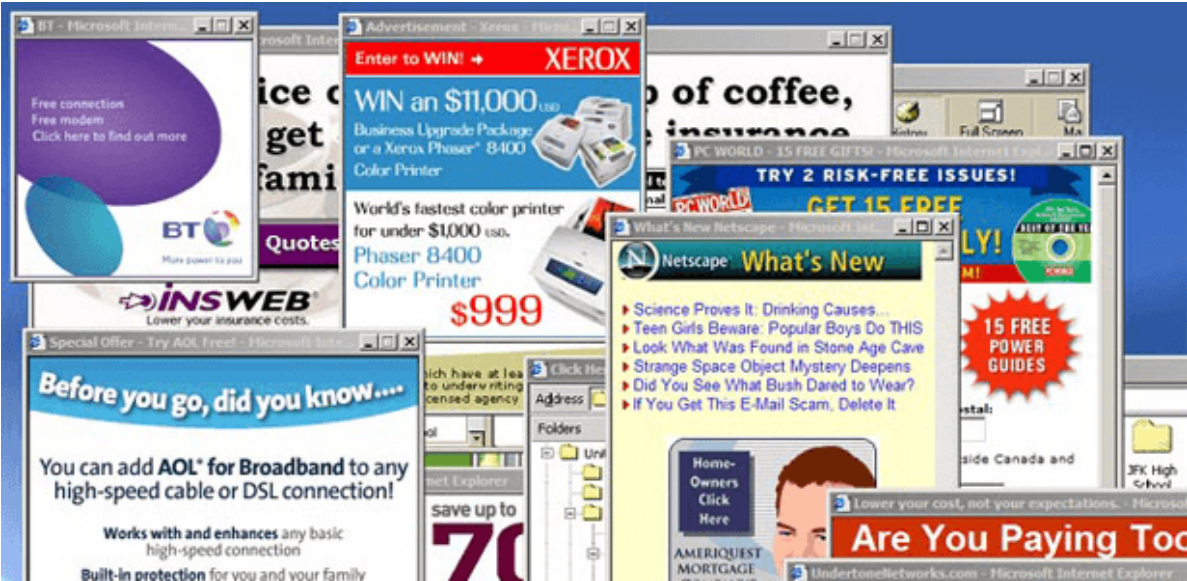
All those wires to connect your laptop to internet

Advertisement pop-ups

Lots of pop-ups that were shown after you clicked into one page was also the feature of 90s internet environment. At the moment there was no such thing as pop-up blocks, so we had to close every window one by one. And at that moment there were also no concept as new tabs. Those bad viruses and pop-ups were the worst fear at the moment when I was using the computer without my mom knowing.



bad pop-ups



bad pop-ups