

Re: timing downloads late at night

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"Leonard Grey" <l.grey@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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For those who are <ahem> younger than me: An acoustic coupler was a forerunner of the modem. It used a regular telephone. You put the handset into a specially designed cradle, and a series of beeps and bops transferred data between computers.

Oh yeah, kicking ass at 1200 Bd!! First communications job I had, we used a coupler to transmit data from our stores in Baltimore to our headquarters in Detroit. Punched out a tape first, then called Detroit and ran the tape back. One hitch in the tape, or dropped connection– start all over. I do NOT miss those days!

SC Tom

If I lived in a place without broadband I would look for service from my wireless (cell phone) company. Today's 3G networks can do up to about 2 Mbps, real-world. (Next year's 4G networks will do better.) Wireless 3G is more expensive than wired broadband, and there are monthly download caps, but it's still better than satellite service.

If I lived in a place without broadband and without cell phones...well, everyone lives with their choices.

Leonard Grey
Errare humanum est

Bookman wrote:

Since the OP is getting SCREWED on bandwidth and pricing, I did a little googling for him. He might want to look into this. <http://getright.com/>

If the program does what it says it does, it should be just what the OP

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needs.

"VanguardLH" <V@xxxxxxxx> wrote in message
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Leonard Grey wrote:

prahatx wrote:

Hughesnet will cut my
speed from 900 kps to 9kps
if I down load too
much
stuff during peak hours..
How can I be sure all
downloads are down
between 4
and 6 am EST?

Don't download stuff at other times.

I didn't know that 900 kps service was still
available, since that was
the typical speed in the early 1970's. Are you
still using an acoustic
coupler?

Satellite service isn't great for bandwidth. See their plans at:

<http://go.gethughesnet.com/plans.cfm>

The OP is probably on the "Home" plan. Just look at their
super-high
prices for what low bandwidth they give you. Their highest
speed plan
is a third the speed of my cable broadband and at 5 times the
cost.
Could be satellite is the only option out on the farm (i.e., no
cable,
too far for DSL). Being that far out means we don't hear
them screaming
when the vise is closed on their genitals.

The OP should start Googling for a download manager (with
scheduling
features).

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