

I am listed as an author on [US Patent # 09883064](#) for peer to peer file sharing which we developed at Flycode where I was CTO.

There were two key innovations - the first was to use file hashing so that files could be found even when named differently on different peers.

The other key innovation - which wasn't covered very well in the patent - was a technique for swarming based on splitting the file up and accessing parts from different servers - this is essentially what BitTorrent does now.

The patent was acquired when Flycode went under, and I'm not sure who owns it now.