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## About **Electricsheep** (screen-saver) and **Opera** (web browser) as P2P software

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We would like students to know that some kinds of software use a P2P (peer-to-peer) protocol, though they do not seem so.

For example, **Electricsheep**, a **screen-saver**, is one of such software. It transfers data using a P2P client. Hence **the use of Electricsheep is forbidden** on any computer which is connected to the university network.

Please make it sure that the software which you are going to install actually does not use a P2P protocol before the installation, if it can transfer data via the network.

A web browser is one of the applications that transfer data via the network. Please note that **Opera**, a web browser, **has the P2P function**. We suggest that students should not use Opera in Okayama University, because even the case of short term use or that by accident leads to the violation of the rule.