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Data Mining of Network Logs

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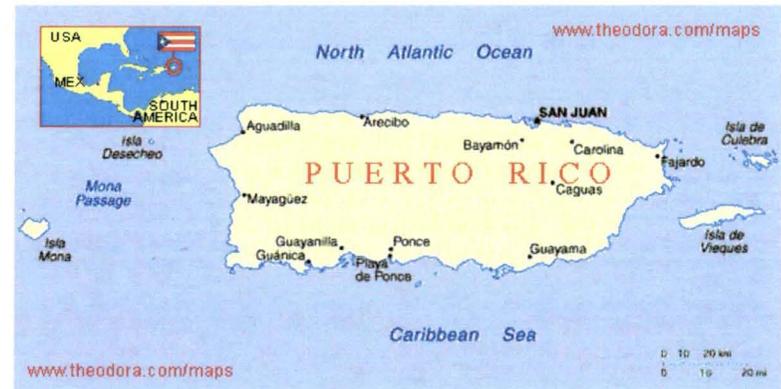




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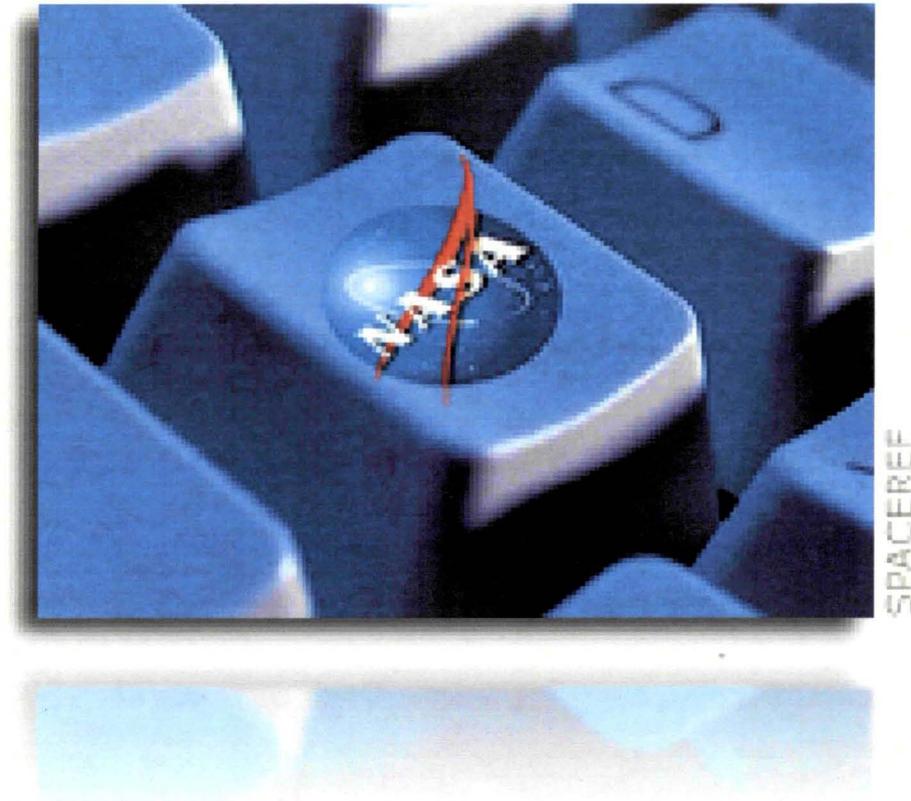




Project Description



My mission this summer in the Information Security Office (IT-B) was to develop a program which would separate the information in the network logs.





Purpose of the Project



The network logs were getting longer and longer as the advertisements made their way to the most visited web pages. The purpose of this project was to simplify the view of the networks logs (data reduction) so that it would be easier to analyze the information.

The screenshot shows the homepage of **elnuevodia.com**. At the top, there is a red banner with the text "Cámbiate ya con tu mismo número" and "y disfruta la poderosa velocidad". Below this, a green box offers "10% de descuento de tu pag hasta el 1 de agos". The website header includes the logo "el nuevo dia elnuevodia.com", a "Login Únete" button, a "f Ingresá con facebook" button, a search bar with "Buscar", and "El Nuevo Día".

The main content area features a "Portada" section with the date "Lunes 18 Julio 2011", a temperature of "80°F", and an "AVISO 10:06 AM" banner. The main headline is "SIGUE LA COBERTURA ESPECIAL SOBRE LA CONVENCION". Below this, there are three columns: "NOTICIAS", "FOTOS Y VÍDEOS", and "BACK TO SCHOOL".

The "NOTICIAS" column has a sub-header "Última Hora" and a "Clasificados clasificados.pr" link. It lists categories: "Vehículos", "Bienes raíces", "Empleos", "Shoppers SKOP PR", "Noticias", "Política", and "Obama en Puerto Rico".

The "FOTOS Y VÍDEOS" column features a photo of a man in a suit and the headline "Política 'El camino no será fácil'". The sub-headline reads: "García Padilla se aferra a la definición de ELA que hizo Hernández Colón. Fotos y videos".

The "BACK TO SCHOOL" column has a photo of a person in a dark jacket with "NIE" on it and the headline "Vive sangrienta pesadilla un agente del NIE". The sub-headline reads: "Mató a dos asaltantes". Below this is another photo of a man and the headline "Muere el padre Nelson López". The sub-headline reads: "Se destacó en las".

On the right side, there are social media icons for Facebook and Twitter, and a "Triple-S D" logo.



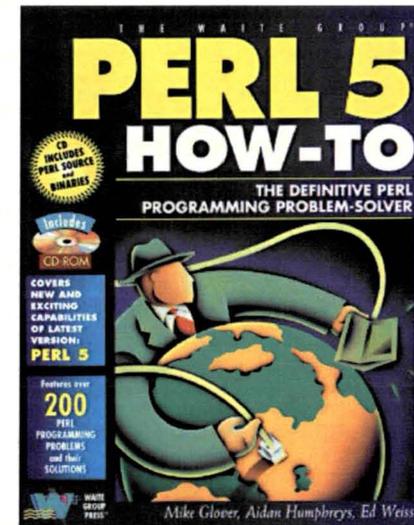
Research Techniques



Step 1: Take a look at Uniform Resource Locator(URL) logs.



Step 2: Learn about PERL and it's characteristics.





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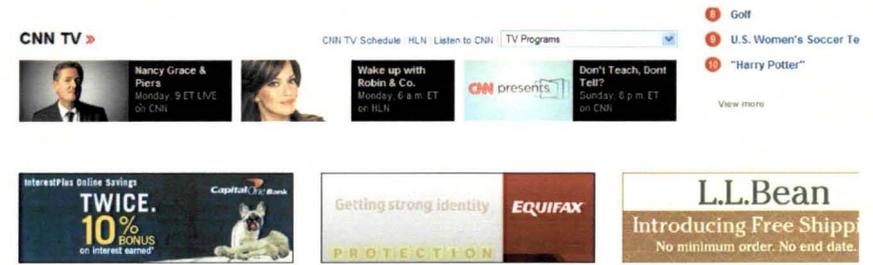


Step 3: Research web page content (including advertisements) and how it works.

Step 4: Get familiar with PERL code.

Step 5: Determine if a link is actual content or an advertisement.

Step 6: Write a software program which separated the content from the ads.



```
#!/usr/bin/perl

print "Content-type: text/html \n\n"; #HTTP HEADER

$somenum = 4;
$myname = "some string";
@array = ("value00", "value01", "value02");
%hash = ("Quarter", 25, "Dime", 10, "Nickle", 5);
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Perl Script Example



```
example_get_url_fields1.txt - Notepad
File Edit Format View Help
#!/perl
#
# 07-jul-2011 Carlimar Collazo
#Use perl to read a url log delimited with a tab
#
$tab = "\t";
$input_file = @ARGV[0] ;
$output_file = "output.txt";
open (OUT, "> $output_file") || die "unable to open $output_file: $!\n";
open (IN, "$input_file") || die "unable to open $input_file: $!\n";
#
while (<IN>) {
    chop;
    $curr_line = $_;
    ($ip, $date, $action, $w4) = split(/$tab/, $curr_line);
    ($url, $remainder) = split(/\/$/, $w4);
    ($d1, $d2, $domain) = split(/\/$/, $url);
#    print (OUT "$ip$tab$date$tab$action$tab$w4\n");
    print (OUT "ip = $ip\n");
    print (OUT "date = $date\n");
    print (OUT "action = $action\n");
    print (OUT "url = $url\n");
#    print (OUT "remainder = $remainder\n");
#    print (OUT "domain = $domain\n");
#    print (OUT "$domain\n");
    print (OUT " \n");
}
close(OUT);
close(IN);
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Experience with Mentor and Co-workers



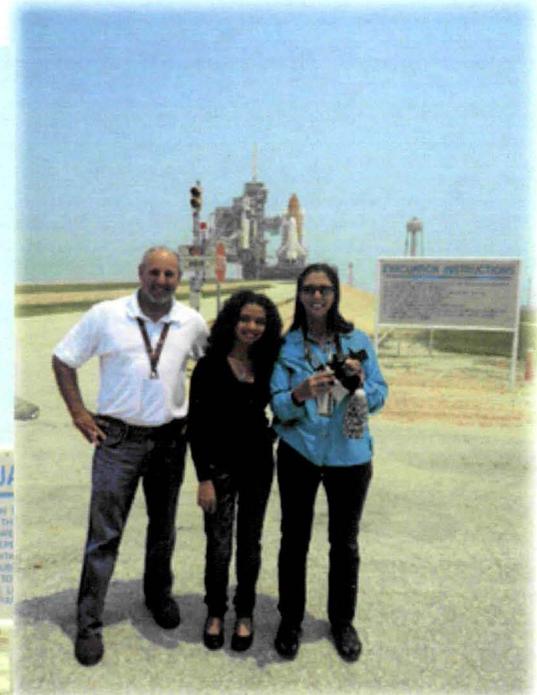
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My experience with my mentor was awesome. He explained things in a way I could understand. He had confidence in my abilities. This helped me and encouraged me to work hard until I reached the expected goal. My co-workers were always willing to help, explain and respond questions.





Experience with Mentor and Co-workers Information and Technology Security (IT-B)



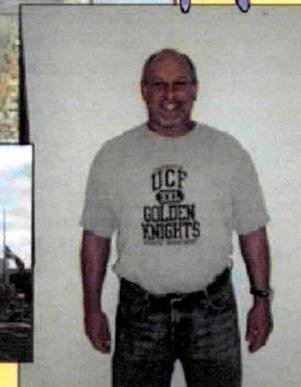
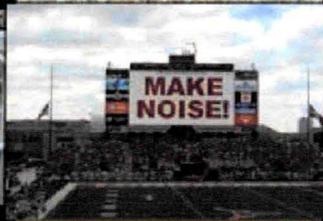
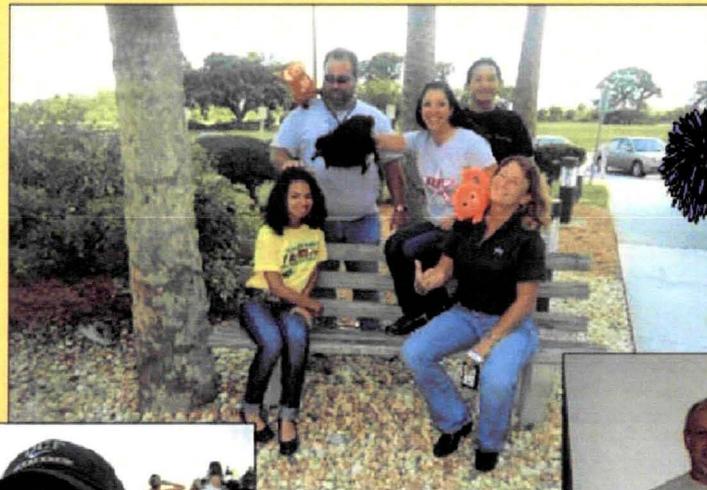


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We have spirit, yes we do
We have spirit, how 'bout you?!





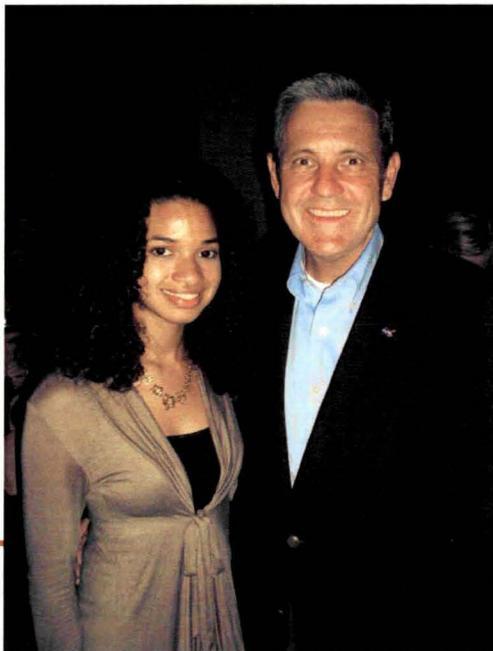
Knowledge Gained



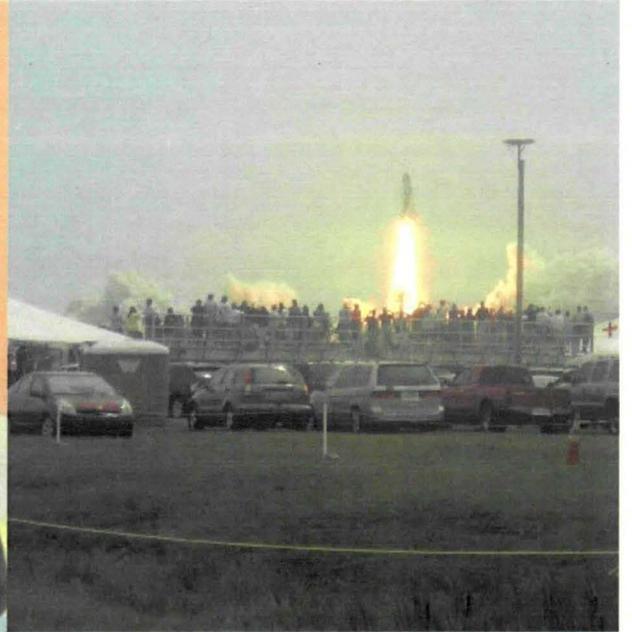
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```
C:\WINNT\system32\cmd.exe
Microsoft Windows XP [Version 5.1.2600]
(C) Copyright 1985-2001 Microsoft Corp.

D:\Documents and Settings\ccollazi>cd Desktop
D:\Documents and Settings\ccollazi\Desktop>cd "Perl commands"
D:\Documents and Settings\ccollazi\Desktop\Perl commands>cd ARGU
D:\Documents and Settings\ccollazi\Desktop\Perl commands\ARGU> example_get_url_f
ields1.pl urls_201.txt
D:\Documents and Settings\ccollazi\Desktop\Perl commands\ARGU>example_get_url_fi
elds1.pl url_128.217.135.57_20110707.txt
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The statement of purpose is to analyze network monitoring logs to support the computer incident response team. Specifically, gain a clear understanding of the Uniform Resource Locator (URL) and its structure, and provide a way to breakdown a URL based on protocol, host name domain name, path, and other attributes. Finally, provide a method to perform data reduction by identifying the different types of advertisements shown on a webpage for incident data analysis.

The procedures used for analysis and data reduction will be a computer program which would analyze the URL and identify and advertisement links from the actual content links.

My method of data collection will be based on research about known the advertisement sites and understand the way they are written. In addition, a large part of the data collection will be relying on statistical analysis of the actual log data in order to identify additional advertisement sites.

This project is going to be a big learning experience; the program is going to help the Information Technology Security Office identify the ads that may clutter the actual content data. This would make the process simpler because you would have a program which recognizes the ads right away.

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