Information Retrieval

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Paper: SEO

- What is search engine optimization?
- 200 attributes and 1000s of machines?
- Why "V7ndotcom Elursrebmem"?
- Web site vs. Web page?
- Why different results from different data centres?
- Size of sites, Pagerank, in-links, domain age, dmoz, yahoo?, del.icio.us
- What about localization?
- Other SEO techniques?

Paper: CBIR

- What is CBIR?
- What are features of digital objects?
- Textual Annotation vs. Visual features?
- What goes into a feature vector?
- What problems are encountered with features?
- What problems are there in implementing CBIR systems?
- Possible applications?

Paper: Brin&Page

- What were the primary concerns of Google?
- Web directory vs. search engine?

Specifics:

- What is the "random surfer"?
- How is anchor text handled?
- Why is the vector space model deemed poor?
- What problems occur in Web-scale crawlers?
- In general ... what was interesting about this paper?