COURSE SUMMARY Introduction to Information Retrieval CS 150 Donald J. Patterson

- We covered 11 chapters in our textbook
 - 19) Web search basics
 - 20) Web crawling and indices
 - 4) Index construction
 - 6) Scoring, term weighting and the vector space model
 - 7) Computing scores in a complete search system
 - 18) Matrix decompositions and latent semantic indexing
 - 21) Link analysis
 - 8) Evaluation in information retrieval
 - 9) Relevance feedback and query expansion
 - 10) XML Retrieval

- You read some research papers
 - Wikipedia on Vannevar Bush
 - As We May Think
 - Simple Proven Approaches to Text Retrieval
 - The Web As A Graph
 - The Anatomy of a Large-Scale Hypertextual Web Search Engine
 - The Anatomy of a Social Search Engine
 - Sourcerer: Source Code Search



- Out of the text book we covered
 - Google Contributor
 - XML
 - Question Answering
 - Spark
 - Pubsubhubbub
 - some fun videos



- We looked at other search engines
 - Calvin and Hobbes Search
 - Cuil
- Thought about
 - 3D Search Engine/Roomba Search



- We took a field trip
 - Google
 - Downtown Venice Beach
 - Dr. Judy Chen



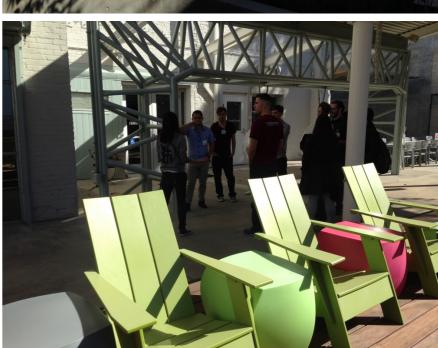






























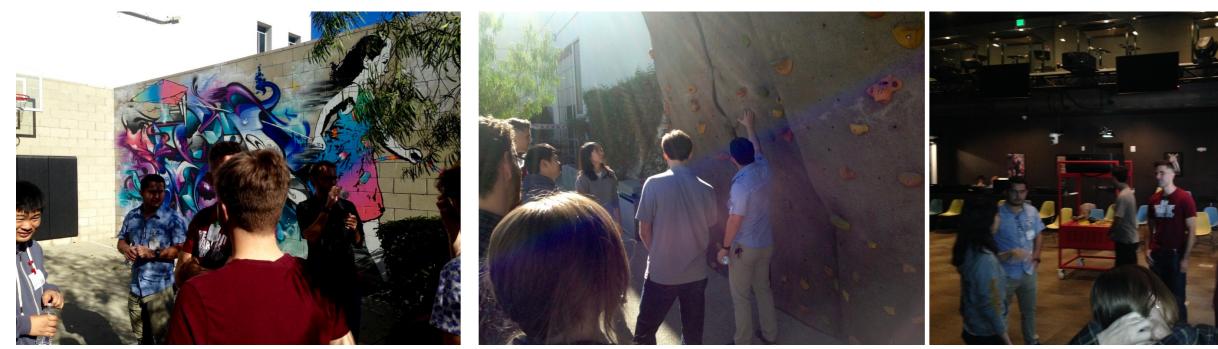














- We developed or worked with some software
 - Crawler4j
 - Map/Reduce
 - Matlab / LSA



- We worked on some skills
 - working with Linux systems
 - working with clusters
 - working with HDFS/Hadoop
 - working with ssh



- Assessments
 - A bunch of participation grades
 - 11 quizzes
 - 7 Assignments
 - A SEARCH ENGINE!!!!

- As an instructor I learned
 - About Westmont CS students
 - Engaged, prepared, professional, respectful, ambitious, intentional
 - About computing resources at Westmont
 - About how Westmont does student evals
 - About what faith and learning can be like
 - About what a semester feels like

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