



# An Architecture for Logging Text and Searching Chat Messages

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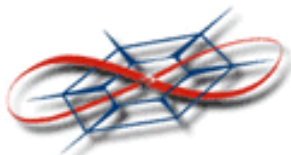
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# Organization

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- Motivation
- Objectives
- Architecture
- Testing
- Evaluation
- Future Work





# Motivation

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- Instant Messaging
  - Chat Rooms
  - Instant Messengers
- Growing Popularity
  - People of nearly different age groups participate
  - All conceivable topics discussed
- Reach of Instant Messenger Services
  - Corporate users
  - Home users
  - US Marines





## Motivation (cont'd)

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- So what is the problem ?
  - Parental Controls
  - Need for message archiving
  - Search Feature
  - Scalability Issues





# Related Works

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- Chat Track Project
- Commercial Systems (Archiving capability)
  - lambigbrother (Keyword search)
  - Net Nanny
  - Cyber-Scoop
  - Desktop Snooper
  - I-Spy Now





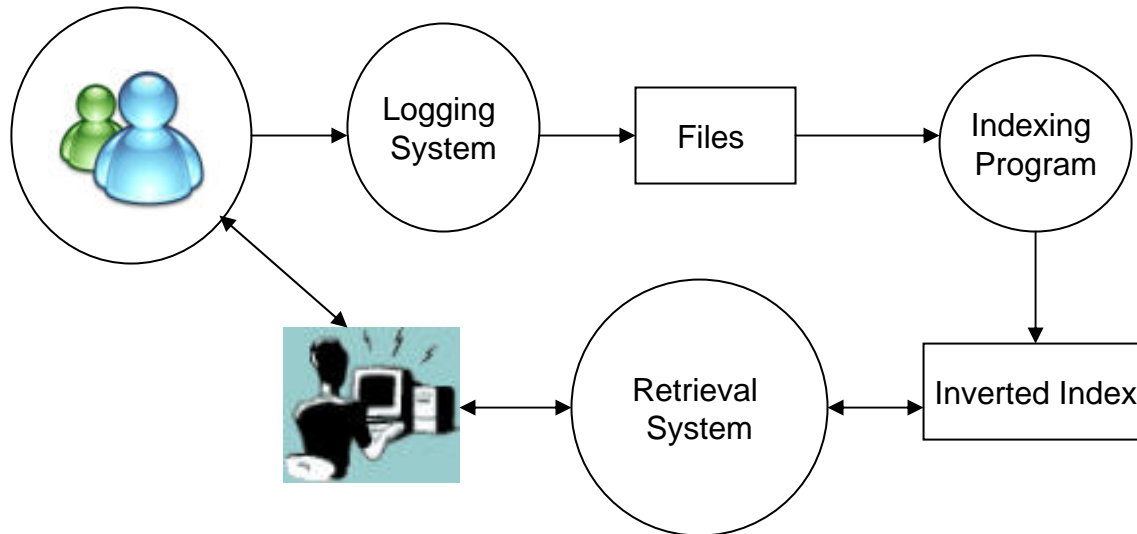
# Objective

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- To create a system that can log text from Microsoft MSN Messenger
- Index the text frequently
- Support variety of queries

# Architecture

- Message Logging system for MSN Messenger
- Indexing System
- Retrieval System





# Message Logging System

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- Stand Alone Application
- Actions
  - Identify new/existing conversation window
  - Check for new message
  - Log both incoming and outgoing messages
  - Log the sign-in name of the speaker of the message
  - Keep track of entering/leaving users of a conversation window
  - Log administrative messages
  - Detect Window Closing





## Message Logging System (cont'd)

- Conversation window monitoring based on Window Handles
  - Each window will have a unique window handle
  - Any MSN messenger window will have “ – Instant Message” or “ – Conversation “ in the title bar





## Message Logging System (cont'd)

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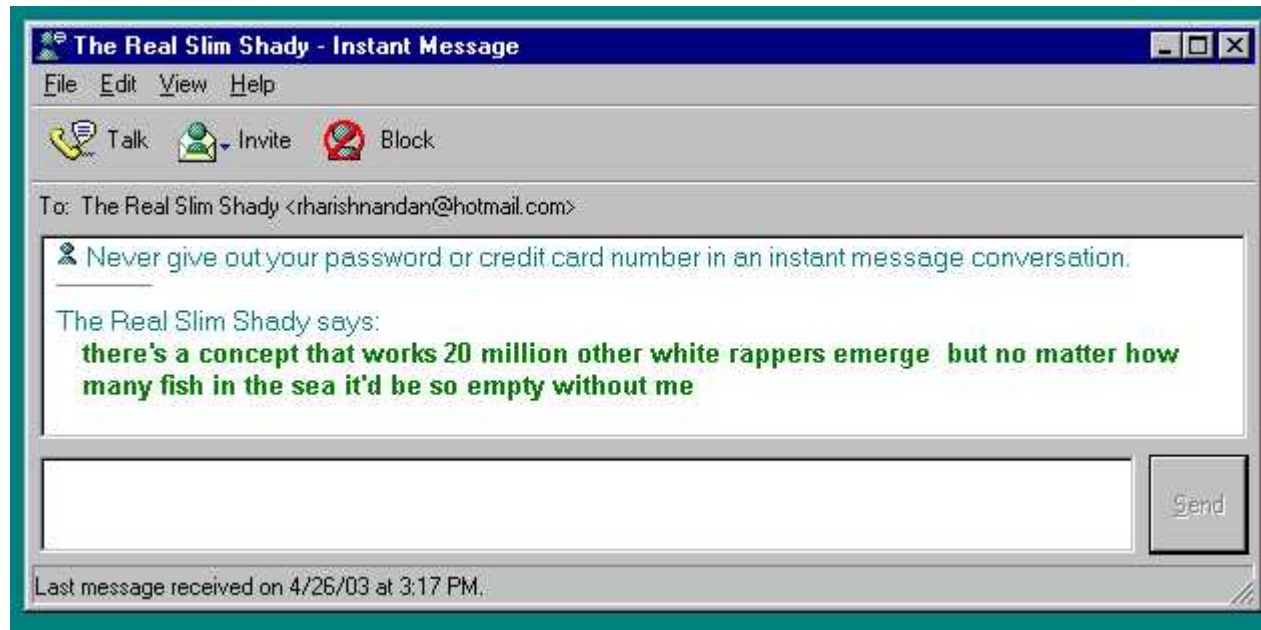
- Logs messages approximately every 1 second
- Writes message file, speaker id file and listener id file
- Adding messages is an incremental process
  - If (current message length > previous message length)
    - If Administrative Message
      - Log the event;
    - else if User Message
      - Log Message, Speaker Id, Listener Id(s), Add File name to “to be indexed list”;
    - else
      - continue;
- Monitors administrative messages
  - Logs them as said by user ‘none’
  - This helps in playing back the conversation as it happened



# Message Logging System (cont'd)

Example.,

Assume Window Handle 41157726; date 04.26.2003; time 15:17 PM





## Message Logging System (cont'd)

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Message File : session000041157726/2003/04/26/151754866.mesg

Speaker Id File : session000041157726/2003/04/26/151754866.uid

Listener Id File :

session000041157726/2003/04/26/151754866.receiver

### File Contents:

Message File: “there's a concept that works 20 million other white rappers emerge but no matter how many fish in the sea it'd be so empty without me”

Speaker Id File: “rharishnandan”

Listener Id File : “rharishnandan”

File to Index list: session000041157726 2003 04 26 151754866





## Message Logging System (cont'd)

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- Current system monitors 100 conversation windows
  - Practical number might be around 10 conversation windows
- Calls the indexing program periodically
  - If (Files to Index)
    - Call Indexer;
  - else
    - continue;





# Indexing System

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## ➤ Indexing

### ➤ Creation of Inverted Index from the raw files.

#### - Dictionary File

- Contains one record for each unique word in the collection

Words, number of documents in which the word is present, total frequency of the word in the collection, inverse document frequency, pointer to postings record

#### - Postings File

- Each record Information contains information about the word occurrence in a document.

Frequency of the word in a document, weight of the word in a document, document id for the document, pointer to next postings record.

### ➤ Example

Word 'prozac' occurs in 100 documents and total number of documents 200 and occurs 120 times in total.

One dictionary record { 'prozac', 100,120,  $\text{idf} = \log_2(200/100)$ , pointer to postings }

Postings File { 100 postings record ( 100 documents),

weight in document  $j = \text{idf}_i * \text{frequency of 'prozac' in document } j$ ;

document id = unique for a document;

pointer to next postings record; }





## Indexing System (cont'd)

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- Indexing
  - Batch Indexing
  - Incremental Indexing
- Creates Two sets of Inverted Index
  - One for Keyword ( kyDictionary, kyPostings and kyDocuments)
  - One for Speaker Id ( spDictionary, spPostings and spDocuments)



# Retrieve Application

RetrieveDialog Application

Query

Speaker Id

Date Filter

Year Month Date Hour Minute

From

Year Month Date Hour Minute

To

Sort By  Date  Speaker Name

Display Preferences

Number of lines before/after match

Show me Who heard  User

Number of Results Per Page

Display Page

**ChatTrack project. Archival and Retrieval System for client side chat system ( MSN Messenger).**

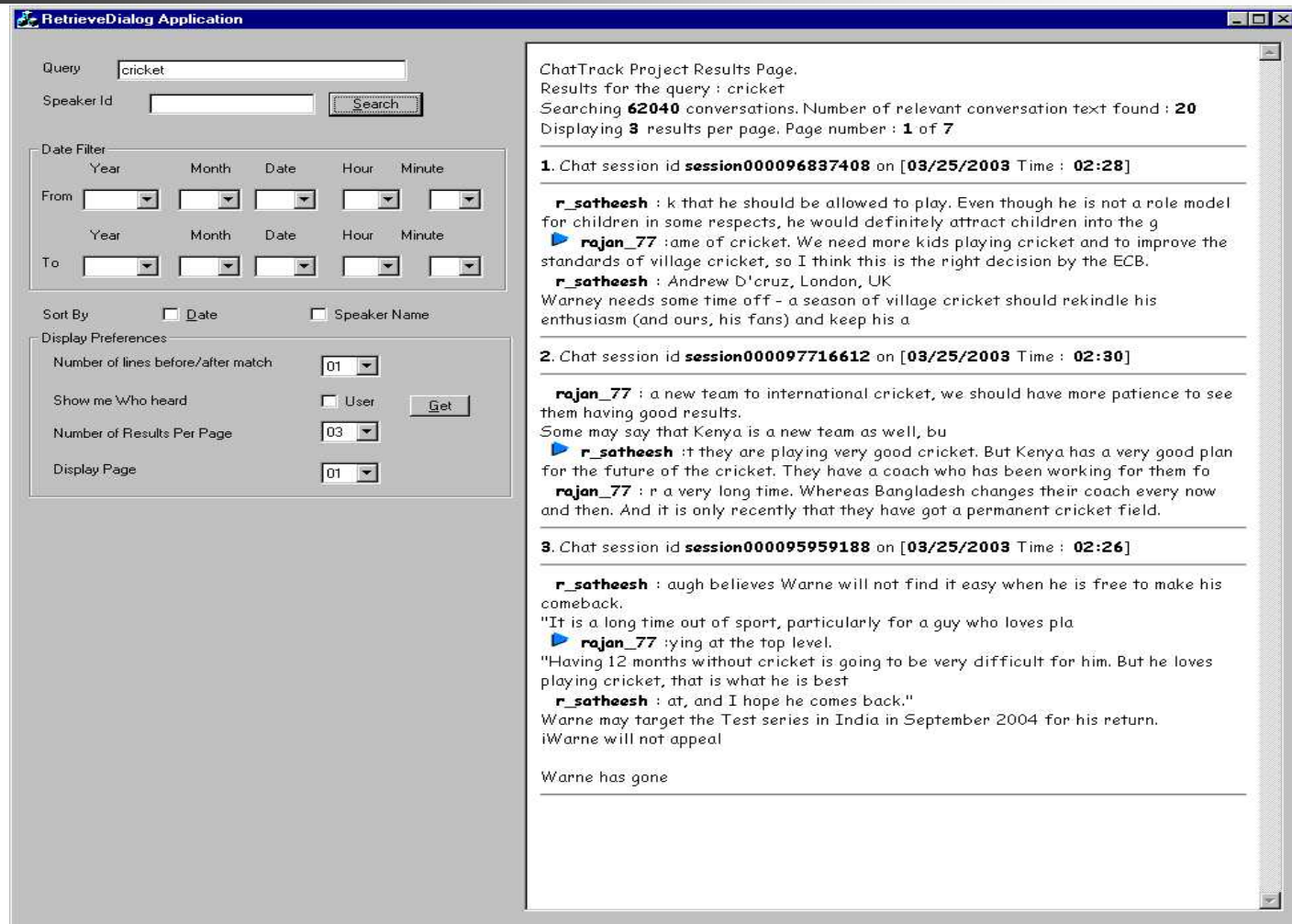
This is the ChatTrack project undertaken by Dr.Susan E Gauch. This system has been intended particularly to archive messages from chat systems. The client side system under usage is Microsoft MSN Messenger but the over all project deals providing features for both server side (IRC Chat) and client side chat systems.

This system captures the chat messages and builds/updates an Inverted Index of the chat messages. Indexing is done every 20 seconds. Retrieval system supports a variety of queries.





# Scenario 1: "keyword" query



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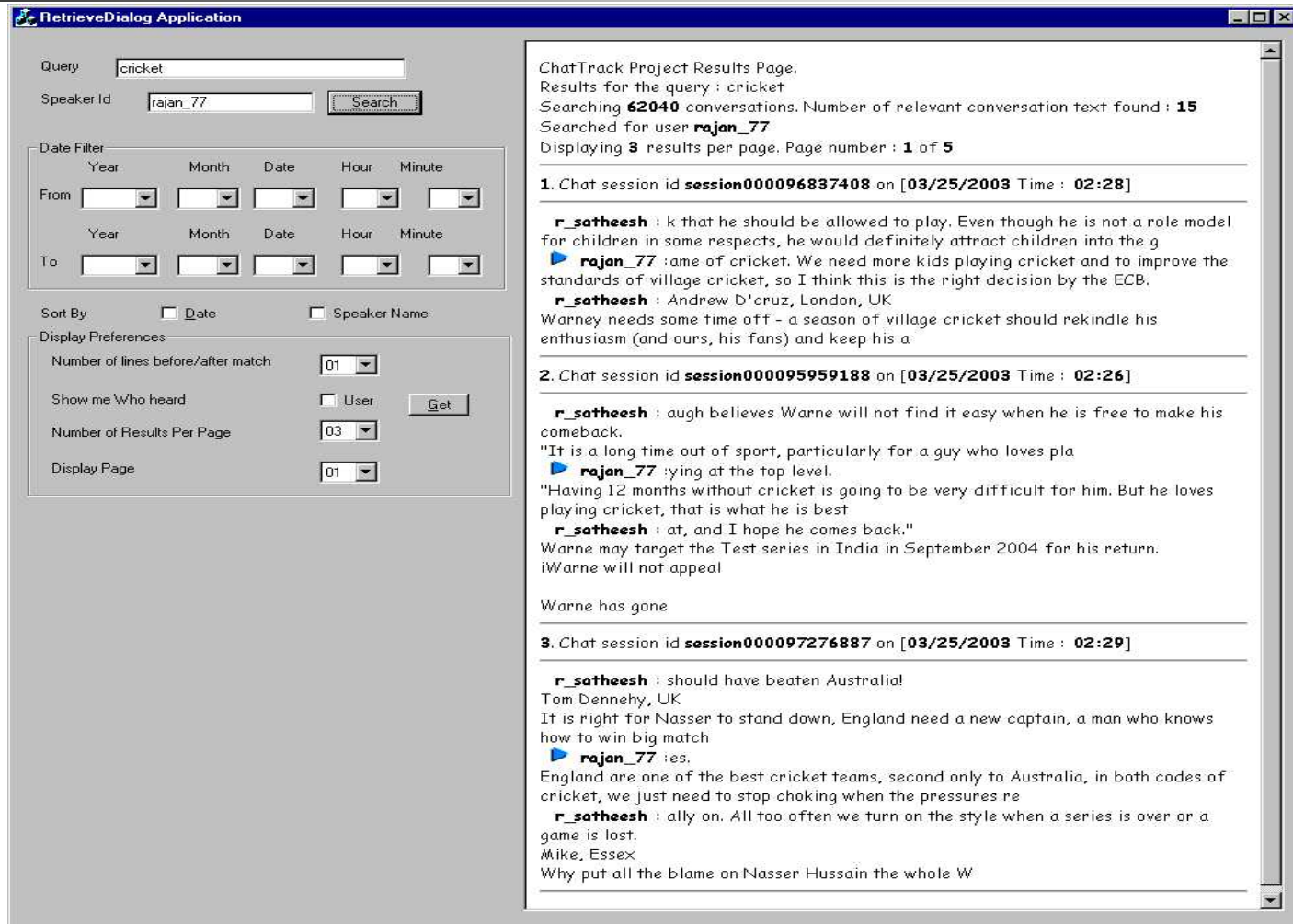
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## Scenario 2: "key word + user name" query



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- Speaker Id: rajan\_77
- Date Filter: From and To fields with Year, Month, Date, Hour, and Minute dropdowns.
- Sort By:  Date,  Speaker Name
- Display Preferences: Number of lines before/after match (01), Show me Who heard (User), Number of Results Per Page (03), Display Page (01).

The main content area shows the search results:

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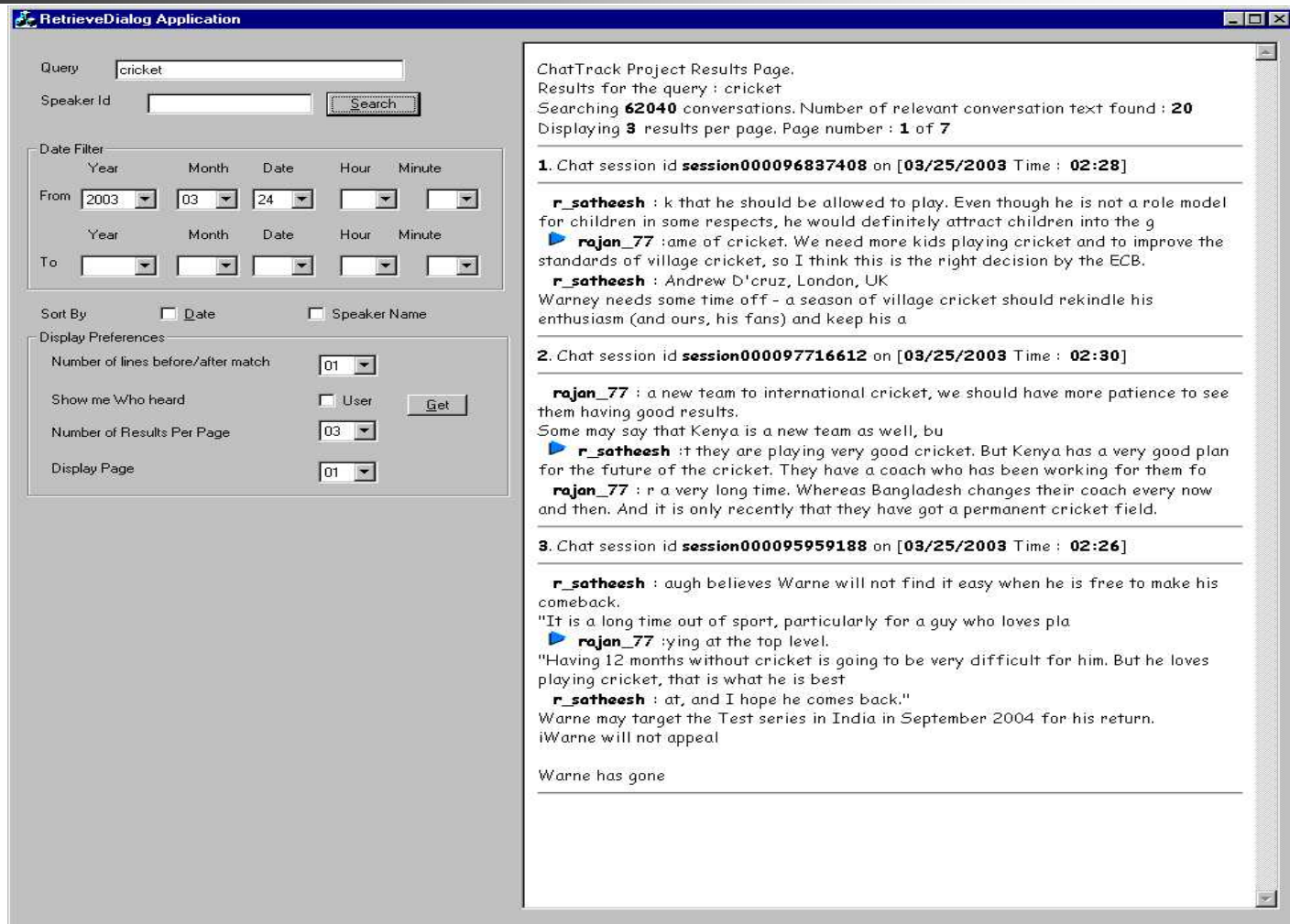
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**3. Chat session id session000097276887 on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:29]**

**r\_satheesh** : should have beaten Australia!  
Tom Dennehy, UK  
It is right for Nasser to stand down, England need a new captain, a man who knows how to win big match  
**rajan\_77** : es.  
England are one of the best cricket teams, second only to Australia, in both codes of cricket, we just need to stop choking when the pressures re  
**r\_satheesh** : ally on. All too often we turn on the style when a series is over or a game is lost.  
Mike, Essex  
Why put all the blame on Nasser Hussain the whole W



# Scenario 3: “key word + date query” specifying “from” option



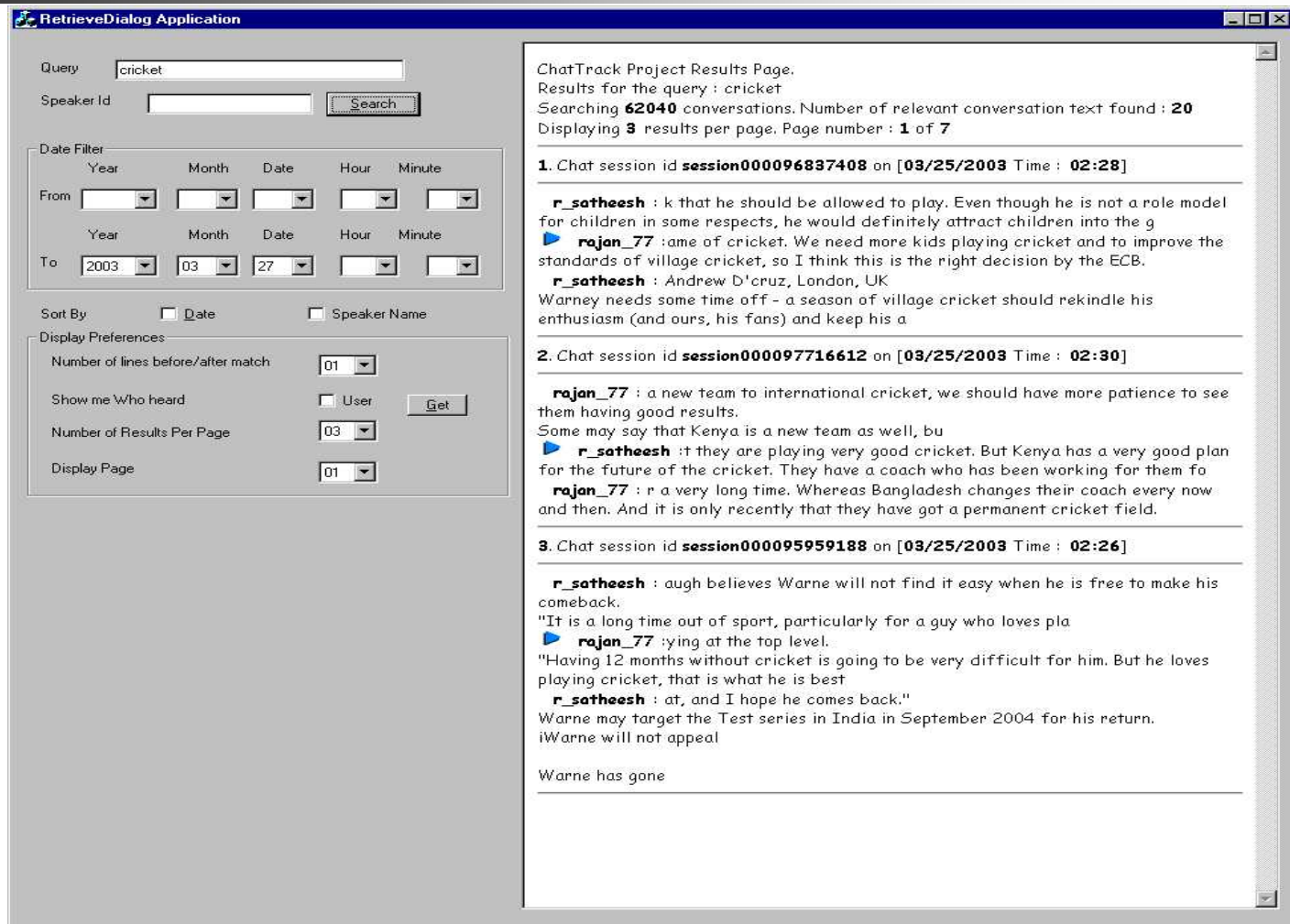
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# Scenario 4: “key word + date query” specifying “to” option



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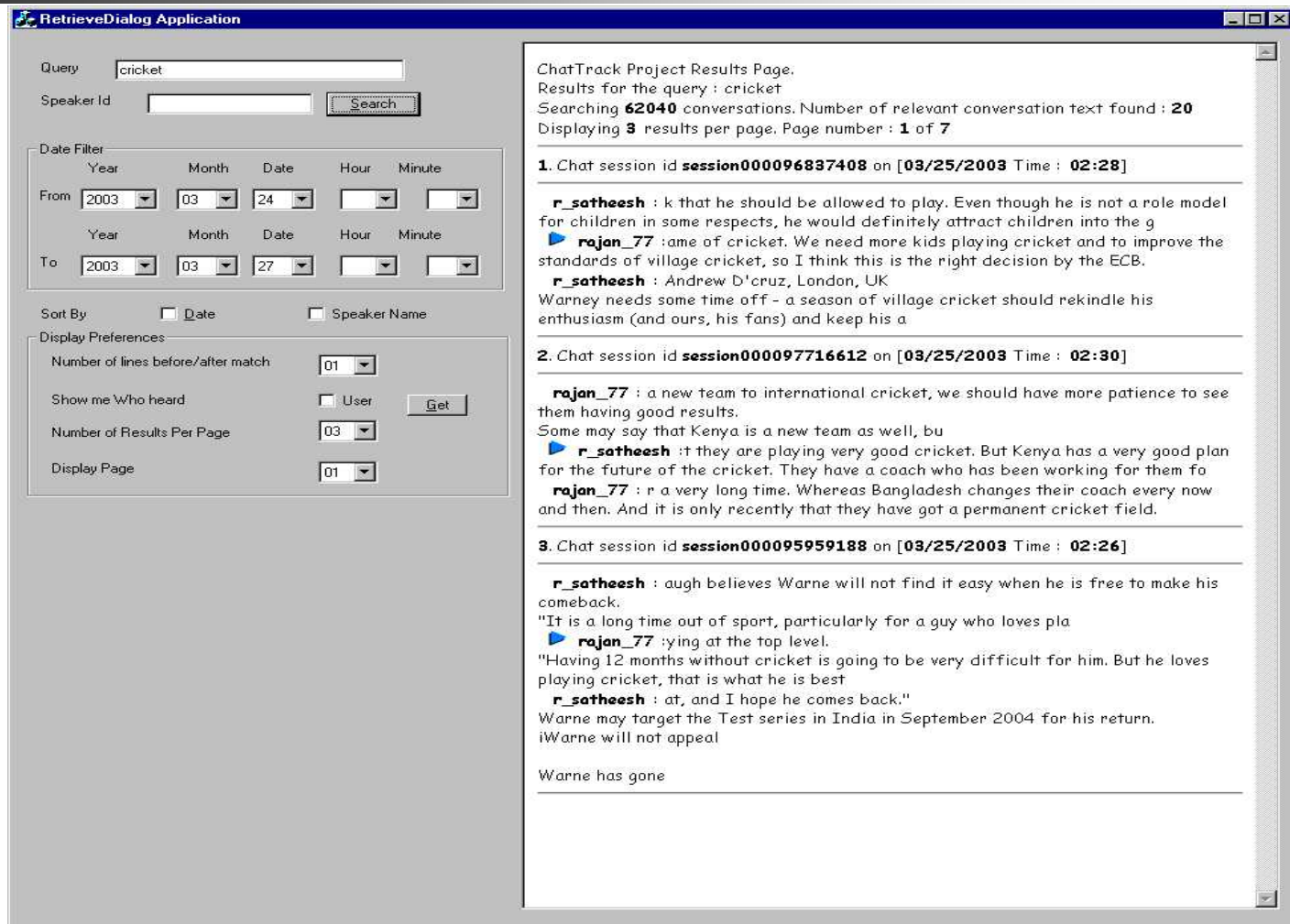
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# Scenario 5: “key word + date query” specifying “from” & “to” options



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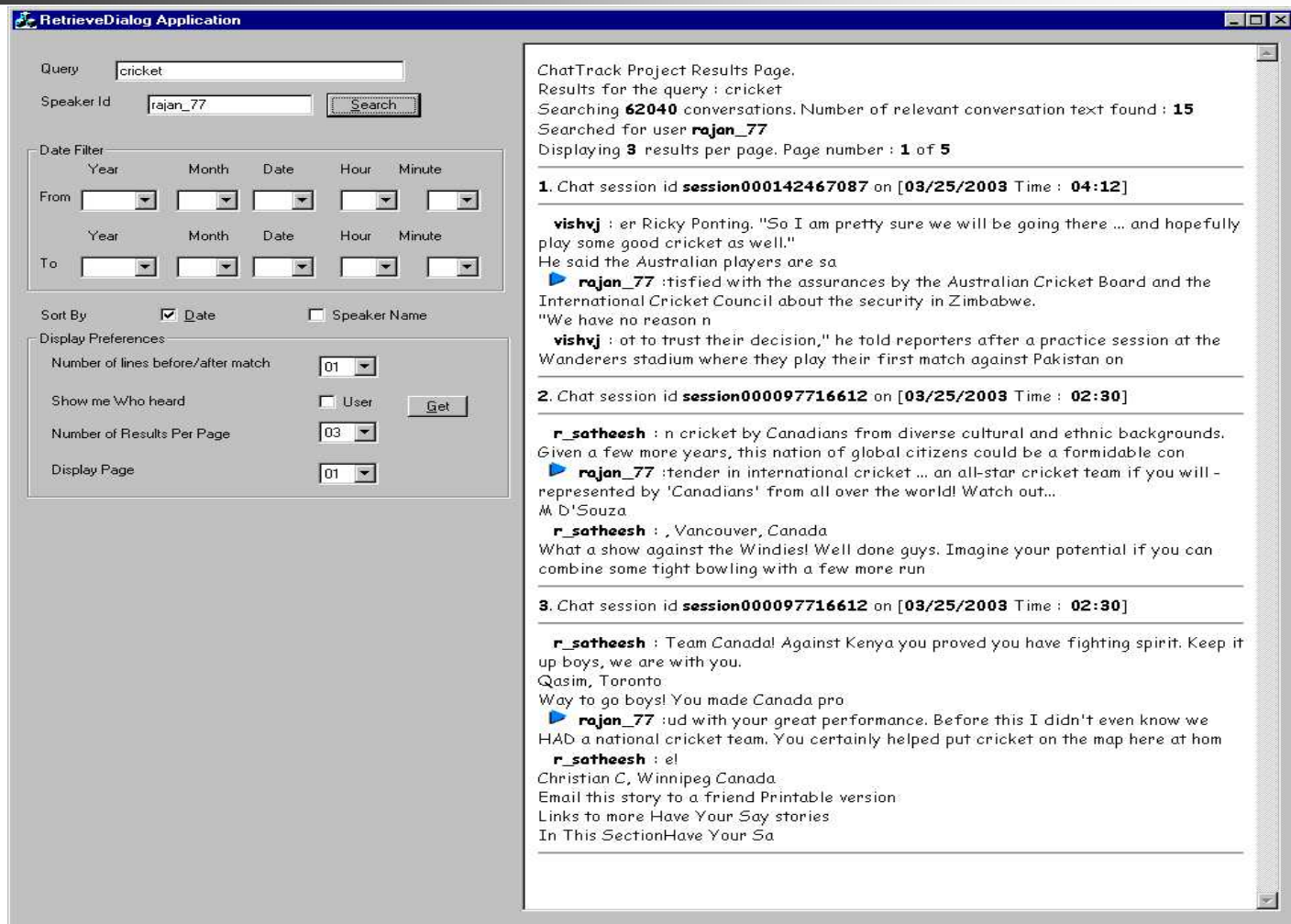
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# Scenario 6: "key word + Speaker Id + date sorted"



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**1. Chat session id session000142467087 on [03/25/2003 Time : 04:12]**

**vishvj** : er Ricky Ponting. "So I am pretty sure we will be going there ... and hopefully play some good cricket as well."  
He said the Australian players are sa  
**▶ rajan\_77** : tisfied with the assurances by the Australian Cricket Board and the International Cricket Council about the security in Zimbabwe.  
"We have no reason n  
**vishvj** : ot to trust their decision," he told reporters after a practice session at the Wanderers stadium where they play their first match against Pakistan on

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**2. Chat session id session000097716612 on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:30]**

**r\_satheesh** : n cricket by Canadians from diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds. Given a few more years, this nation of global citizens could be a formidable con  
**▶ rajan\_77** : tender in international cricket ... an all-star cricket team if you will - represented by 'Canadians' from all over the world! Watch out...  
M D'Souza  
**r\_satheesh** : , Vancouver, Canada  
What a show against the Windies! Well done guys. Imagine your potential if you can combine some tight bowling with a few more run

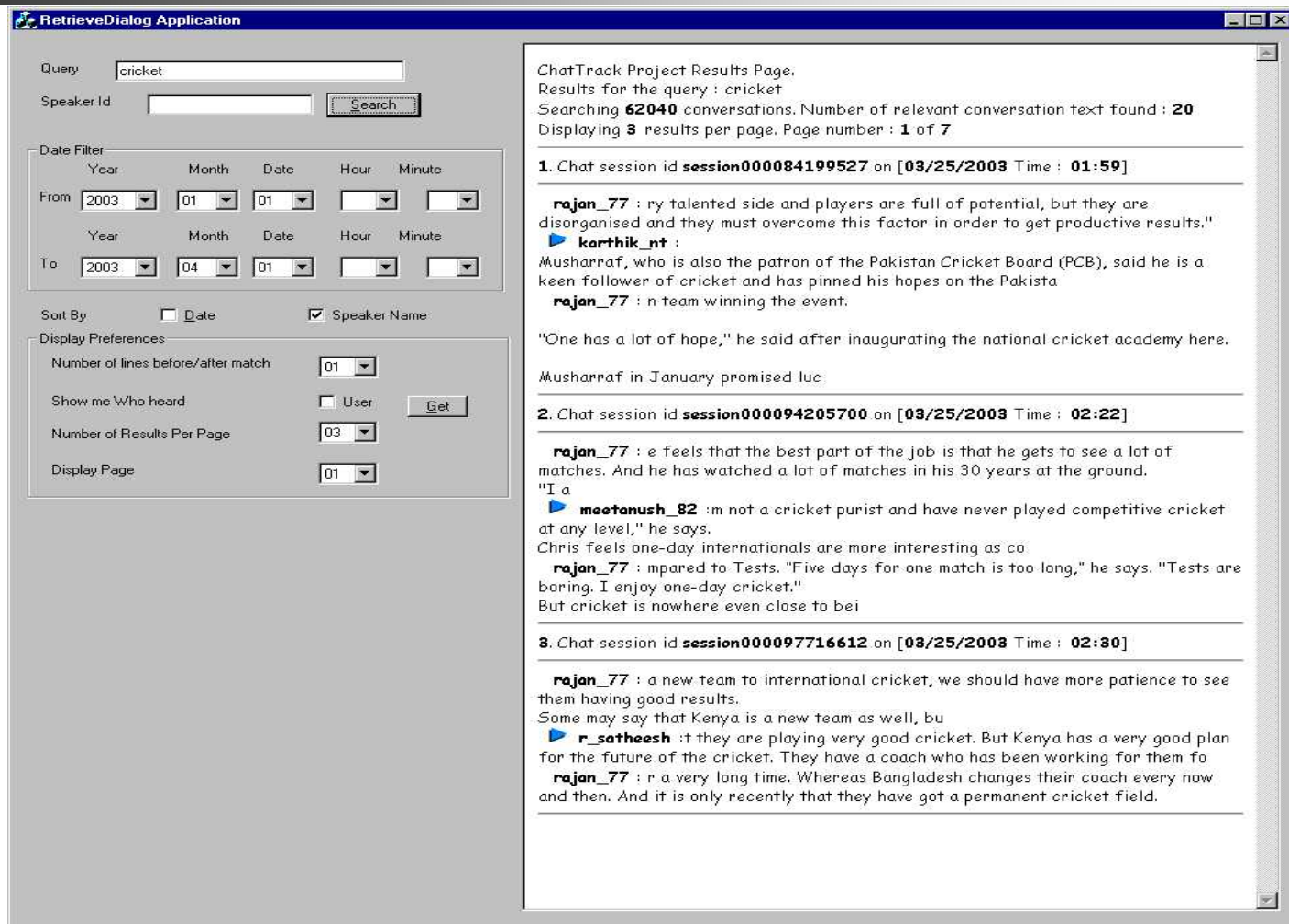
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**r\_satheesh** : Team Canada! Against Kenya you proved you have fighting spirit. Keep it up boys, we are with you.  
Qasim, Toronto  
Way to go boys! You made Canada pro  
**▶ rajan\_77** : ud with your great performance. Before this I didn't even know we HAD a national cricket team. You certainly helped put cricket on the map here at hom  
**r\_satheesh** : el  
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# Scenario 7: "key word + date + Speaker id sorted"



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RetrieveDialog Application

Query:

Speaker Id:

Date Filter

Year Month Date Hour Minute

From: 2003 01 01

Year Month Date Hour Minute

To: 2003 04 01

Sort By:  Date  Speaker Name

Display Preferences

Number of lines before/after match: 01

Show me Who heard:  User

Number of Results Per Page: 03

Display Page: 01

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1. Chat session id **session000084199527** on [03/25/2003 Time : 01:59]

**rajan\_77** : ry talented side and players are full of potential, but they are disorganised and they must overcome this factor in order to get productive results."  
**karthik\_nt** :  
Musharraf, who is also the patron of the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB), said he is a keen follower of cricket and has pinned his hopes on the Pakista  
**rajan\_77** : n team winning the event.

"One has a lot of hope," he said after inaugurating the national cricket academy here.

Musharraf in January promised luc

2. Chat session id **session000094205700** on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:22]

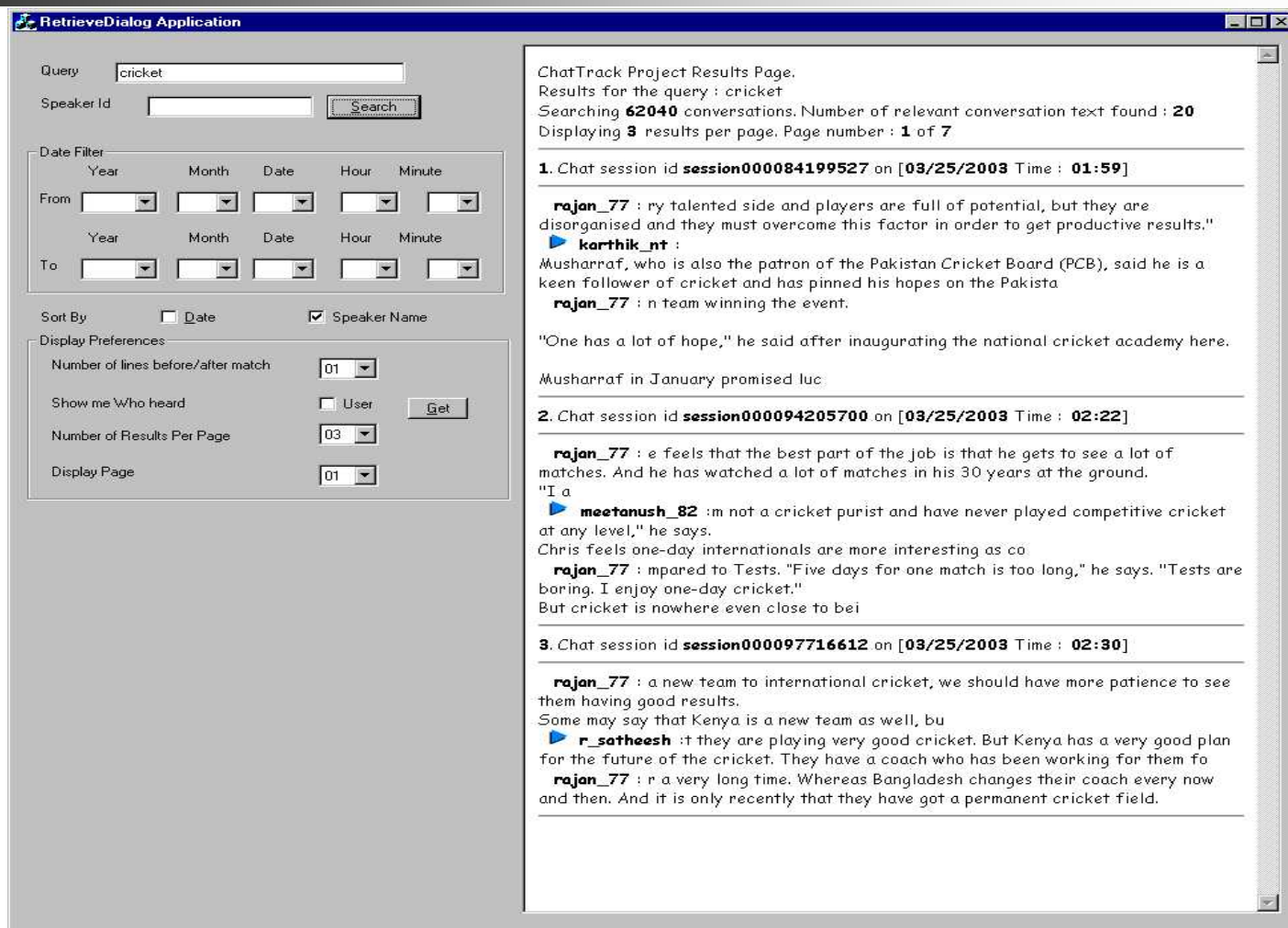
**rajan\_77** : e feels that the best part of the job is that he gets to see a lot of matches. And he has watched a lot of matches in his 30 years at the ground.  
"I a  
**meetanush\_82** :m not a cricket purist and have never played competitive cricket at any level," he says.  
Chris feels one-day internationals are more interesting as co  
**rajan\_77** : mpared to Tests. "Five days for one match is too long," he says. "Tests are boring. I enjoy one-day cricket."  
But cricket is nowhere even close to bei

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# Scenario 8: "key word + Speaker id sorted"



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▶ **karthik\_nt** : Musharraf, who is also the patron of the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB), said he is a keen follower of cricket and has pinned his hopes on the Pakista  
**rajan\_77** : n team winning the event.

"One has a lot of hope," he said after inaugurating the national cricket academy here.

Musharraf in January promised luc

**2. Chat session id session000094205700 on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:22]**

**rajan\_77** : e feels that the best part of the job is that he gets to see a lot of matches. And he has watched a lot of matches in his 30 years at the ground.  
"I a  
▶ **meetanush\_82** : m not a cricket purist and have never played competitive cricket at any level," he says.  
Chris feels one-day internationals are more interesting as co  
**rajan\_77** : mpared to Tests. "Five days for one match is too long," he says. "Tests are boring. I enjoy one-day cricket."  
But cricket is nowhere even close to bei

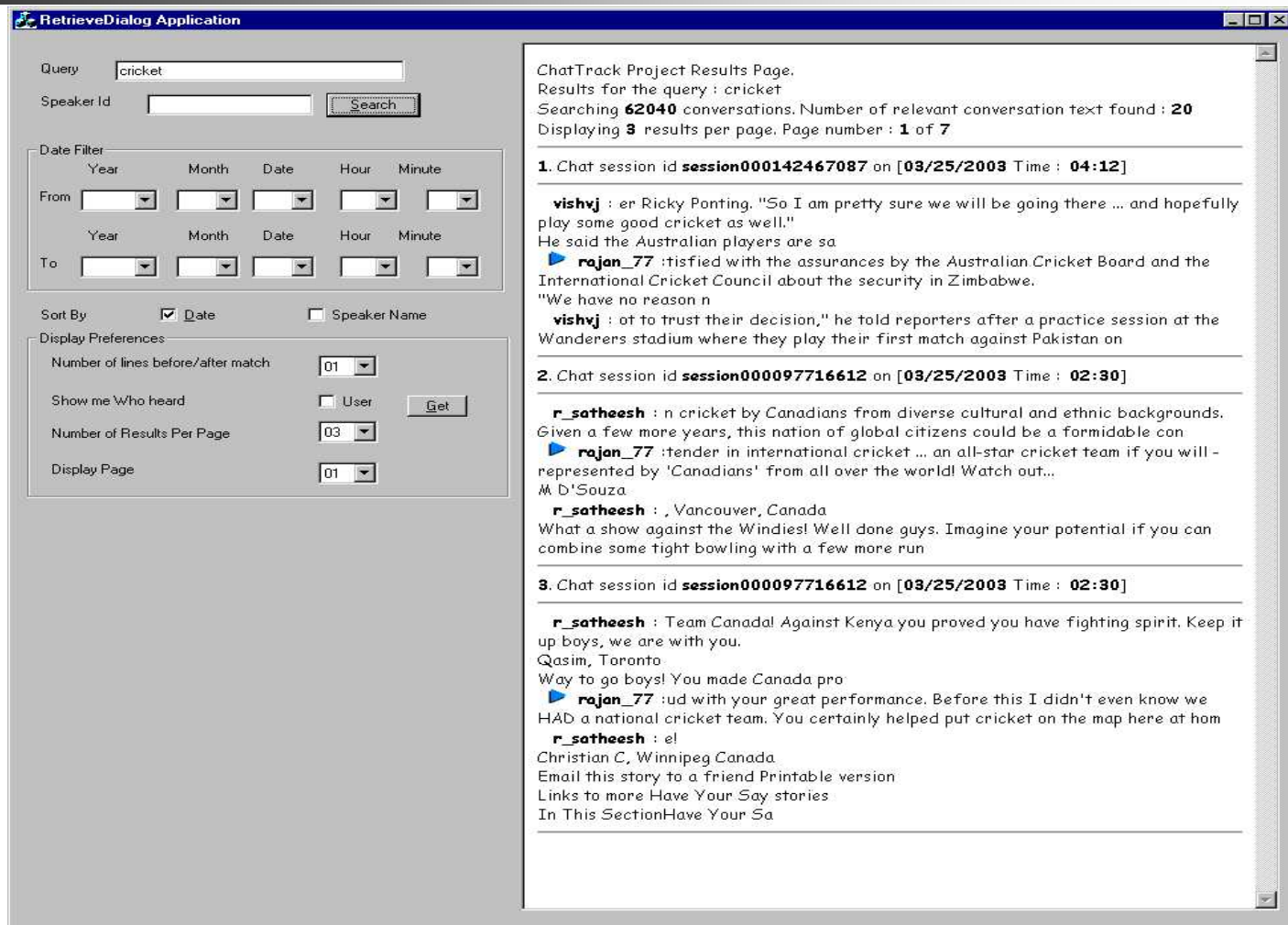
**3. Chat session id session000097716612 on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:30]**

**rajan\_77** : a new team to international cricket, we should have more patience to see them having good results.  
Some may say that Kenya is a new team as well, bu  
▶ **r\_satheesh** : t they are playing very good cricket. But Kenya has a very good plan for the future of the cricket. They have a coach who has been working for them fo  
**rajan\_77** : r a very long time. Whereas Bangladesh changes their coach every now and then. And it is only recently that they have got a permanent cricket field.





# Scenario 9: "key word + date sorted"



The screenshot shows a web application window titled "RetrieveDialog Application". The interface includes a search bar with the query "cricket", a "Search" button, and a "Speaker Id" field. Below the search bar is a "Date Filter" section with two rows of dropdown menus for "From" and "To" dates, each with fields for Year, Month, Date, Hour, and Minute. The "Sort By" section has radio buttons for "Date" (selected) and "Speaker Name". The "Display Preferences" section includes a "Number of lines before/after match" dropdown set to "01", a "Show me Who heard" section with a "User" checkbox and a "Get" button, a "Number of Results Per Page" dropdown set to "03", and a "Display Page" dropdown set to "01".

The main content area displays the following results:

ChatTrack Project Results Page.  
Results for the query : cricket  
Searching 62040 conversations. Number of relevant conversation text found : 20  
Displaying 3 results per page. Page number : 1 of 7

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**1. Chat session id session000142467087 on [03/25/2003 Time : 04:12]**

**vishvj** : er Ricky Ponting. "So I am pretty sure we will be going there ... and hopefully play some good cricket as well."  
He said the Australian players are sa  
**▶ rajan\_77** :tisfied with the assurances by the Australian Cricket Board and the International Cricket Council about the security in Zimbabwe.  
"We have no reason n  
**vishvj** : ot to trust their decision," he told reporters after a practice session at the Wanderers stadium where they play their first match against Pakistan on

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**2. Chat session id session000097716612 on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:30]**

**r\_satheesh** : n cricket by Canadians from diverse cultural and ethnic backgrounds. Given a few more years, this nation of global citizens could be a formidable con  
**▶ rajan\_77** :tender in international cricket ... an all-star cricket team if you will - represented by 'Canadians' from all over the world! Watch out...  
M D'Souza  
**r\_satheesh** : , Vancouver, Canada  
What a show against the Windies! Well done guys. Imagine your potential if you can combine some tight bowling with a few more run

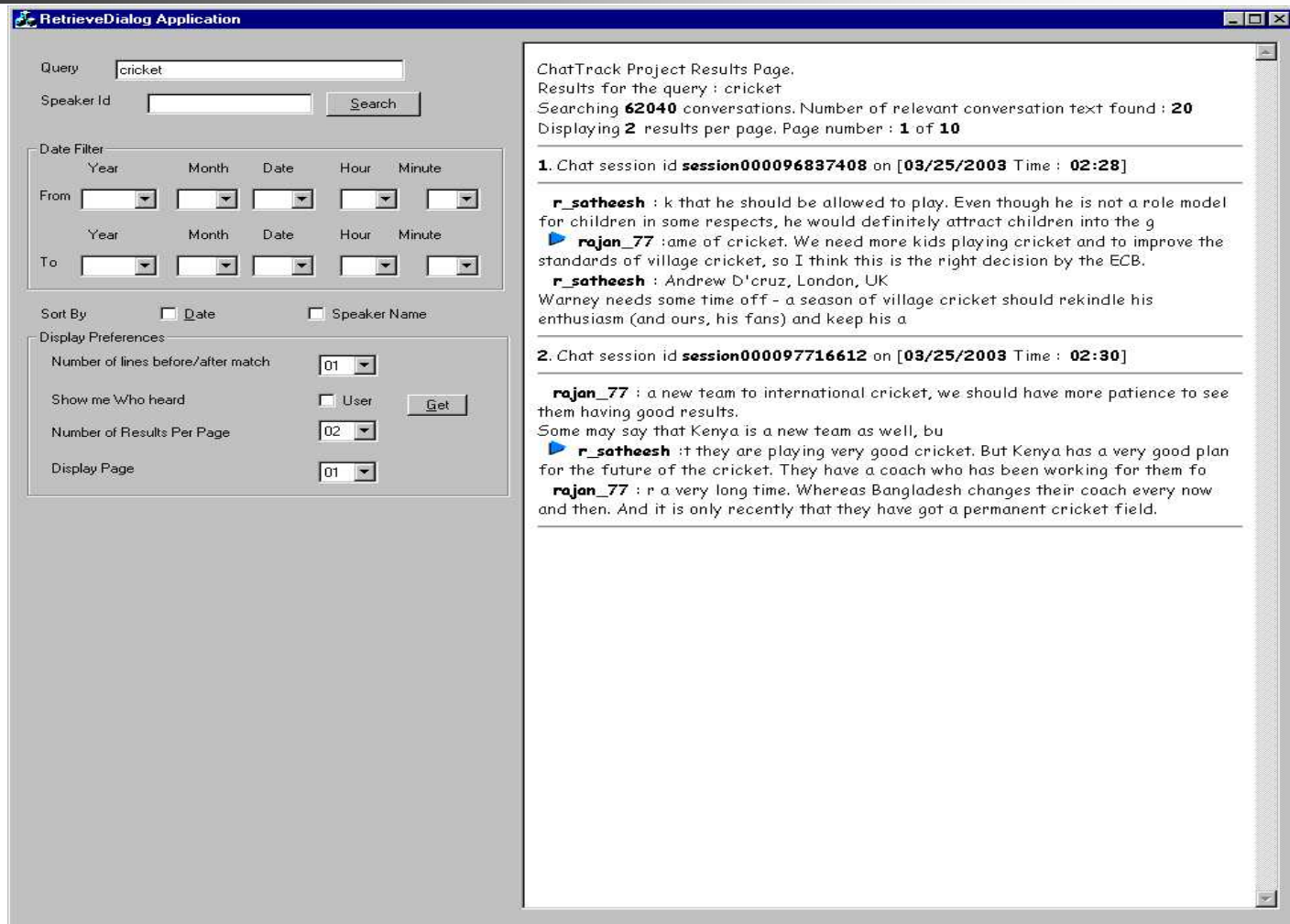
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**3. Chat session id session000097716612 on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:30]**

**r\_satheesh** : Team Canada! Against Kenya you proved you have fighting spirit. Keep it up boys, we are with you.  
Qasim, Toronto  
Way to go boys! You made Canada pro  
**▶ rajan\_77** :ud with your great performance. Before this I didn't even know we HAD a national cricket team. You certainly helped put cricket on the map here at hom  
**r\_satheesh** : el  
Christian C, Winnipeg Canada  
Email this story to a friend Printable version  
Links to more Have Your Say stories  
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# Scenario 10: “key word + two results per page option”



The screenshot displays the 'RetrieveDialog Application' window. On the left, there is a search interface with a 'Query' field containing 'cricket', a 'Speaker Id' field, and a 'Search' button. Below this is a 'Date Filter' section with 'From' and 'To' date pickers. Further down are 'Sort By' options for 'Date' and 'Speaker Name', and a 'Display Preferences' section with dropdowns for 'Number of lines before/after match' (01), 'Number of Results Per Page' (02), and 'Display Page' (01). A 'Get' button is also present.

The main content area on the right shows the search results:

ChatTrack Project Results Page.  
Results for the query : cricket  
Searching **62040** conversations. Number of relevant conversation text found : **20**  
Displaying **2** results per page. Page number : **1** of **10**

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**1. Chat session id `session000096837408` on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:28]**

**r\_satheesh** : k that he should be allowed to play. Even though he is not a role model for children in some respects, he would definitely attract children into the game  
**▶ rajan\_77** : game of cricket. We need more kids playing cricket and to improve the standards of village cricket, so I think this is the right decision by the ECB.  
**r\_satheesh** : Andrew D'cruz, London, UK  
Warney needs some time off - a season of village cricket should rekindle his enthusiasm (and ours, his fans) and keep his a

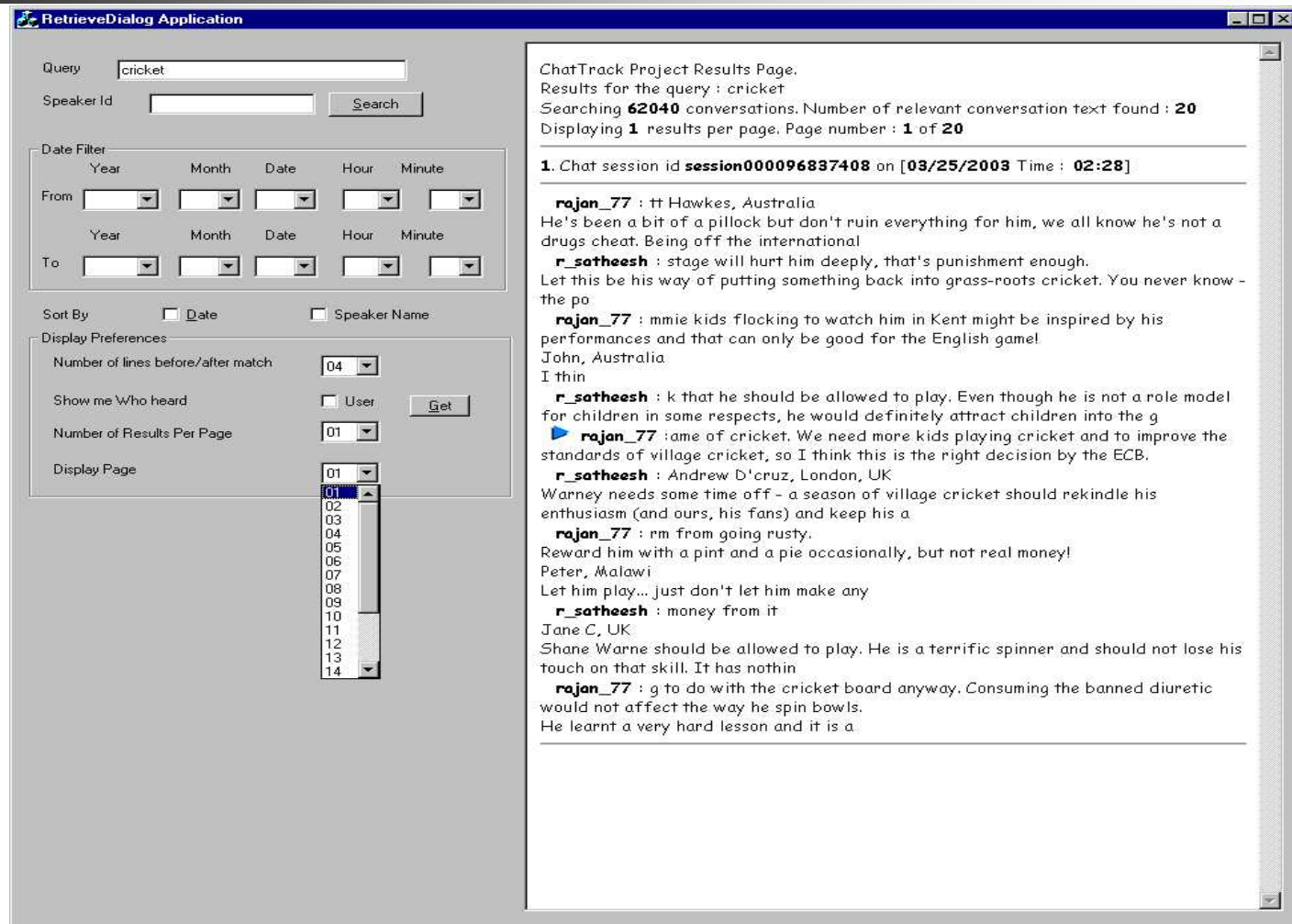
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**2. Chat session id `session000097716612` on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:30]**

**▶ rajan\_77** : a new team to international cricket, we should have more patience to see them having good results.  
Some may say that Kenya is a new team as well, but  
**▶ r\_satheesh** : it they are playing very good cricket. But Kenya has a very good plan for the future of the cricket. They have a coach who has been working for them for  
**▶ rajan\_77** : for a very long time. Whereas Bangladesh changes their coach every now and then. And it is only recently that they have got a permanent cricket field.



# Scenario 11: “key word + 4 lines before/after match”



The screenshot shows a web application window titled "RetrieveDialog Application". On the left is a search control panel with the following fields and options:

- Query:
- Speaker Id:  Search
- Date Filter: From [Year: ] [Month: ] [Date: ] [Hour: ] [Minute: ] To [Year: ] [Month: ] [Date: ] [Hour: ] [Minute: ]
- Sort By:  Date  Speaker Name
- Display Preferences:
  - Number of lines before/after match: 04
  - Show me Who heard:  User Get
  - Number of Results Per Page: 01
  - Display Page: 01 (with a list of options from 01 to 14)

The main content area displays the following text:

ChatTrack Project Results Page.  
Results for the query : cricket  
Searching 62040 conversations. Number of relevant conversation text found : 20  
Displaying 1 results per page. Page number : 1 of 20

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1. Chat session id **session000096837408** on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:28]

**rajan\_77** : tt Hawkes, Australia  
He's been a bit of a pillock but don't ruin everything for him, we all know he's not a drugs cheat. Being off the international

**r\_satheesh** : stage will hurt him deeply, that's punishment enough.  
Let this be his way of putting something back into grass-roots cricket. You never know - the po

**rajan\_77** : mmie kids flocking to watch him in Kent might be inspired by his performances and that can only be good for the English game!  
John, Australia  
I thin

**r\_satheesh** : k that he should be allowed to play. Even though he is not a role model for children in some respects, he would definitely attract children into the g

**rajan\_77** : ame of cricket. We need more kids playing cricket and to improve the standards of village cricket, so I think this is the right decision by the ECB.

**r\_satheesh** : Andrew D'cruz, London, UK  
Warney needs some time off - a season of village cricket should rekindle his enthusiasm (and ours, his fans) and keep his a

**rajan\_77** : rm from going rusty.  
Reward him with a pint and a pie occasionally, but not real money!  
Peter, Malawi  
Let him play... just don't let him make any

**r\_satheesh** : money from it  
Jane C, UK  
Shane Warne should be allowed to play. He is a terrific spinner and should not lose his touch on that skill. It has nothin

**rajan\_77** : g to do with the cricket board anyway. Consuming the banned diuretic would not affect the way he spin bowls.  
He learnt a very hard lesson and it is a



# Scenario 12: "key word + show who listened"

RetrieveDialog Application

Query:

Speaker Id:

Date Filter

Year Month Date Hour Minute

From:

Year Month Date Hour Minute

To:

Sort By  Date  Speaker Name

Display Preferences

Number of lines before/after match:

Show me Who heard:  User

Number of Results Per Page:

Display Page:

ChatTrack Project Results Page.  
Results for the query : cricket  
Searching 62040 conversations. Number of relevant conversation text found : 20  
Displaying 3 results per page. Page number : 1 of 7

1. Chat session id **session000096837408** on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:28]

**r\_satheesh** : k that he should be allowed to play. Even though he is not a role model for children in some respects, he would definitely attract children into the g  
Showing who heard : r\_satheesh

**▶ rajan\_77** : ame of cricket. We need more kids playing cricket and to improve the standards of village cricket, so I think this is the right decision by the ECB.  
Showing who heard : r\_satheesh

**r\_satheesh** : Andrew D'cruz, London, UK  
Warney needs some time off - a season of village cricket should rekindle his enthusiasm (and ours, his fans) and keep his a  
Showing who heard : r\_satheesh

2. Chat session id **session000097716612** on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:30]

**rajan\_77** : a new team to international cricket, we should have more patience to see them having good results.  
Some may say that Kenya is a new team as well, bu  
Showing who heard : r\_satheesh

**▶ r\_satheesh** : it they are playing very good cricket. But Kenya has a very good plan for the future of the cricket. They have a coach who has been working for them fo  
Showing who heard : r\_satheesh

**rajan\_77** : r a very long time. Whereas Bangladesh changes their coach every now and then. And it is only recently that they have got a permanent cricket field.  
Showing who heard : r\_satheesh

3. Chat session id **session000095959188** on [03/25/2003 Time : 02:26]

**r\_satheesh** : augh believes Warne will not find it easy when he is free to make his comeback.  
"It is a long time out of sport, particularly for a guy who loves pla  
Showing who heard : r\_satheesh

**▶ rajan\_77** :ying at the top level.  
"Having 12 months without cricket is going to be very difficult for him. But he loves playing cricket, that is what he is best  
Showing who heard : r\_satheesh

**r\_satheesh** : at, and I hope he comes back."  
Warne may target the Test series in India in September 2004 for his return.  
iWarne will not appeal  
  
Warne has gone  
Showing who heard : r\_satheesh





# Summary of queries supported

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- Keywords
- Keyword + Speaker Id
- Keyword + Date based filtering of results
- Keyword + Speaker Id + Date based filtering of results
- Keyword + Speaker Id + Date based sorting of results
- Keyword + Date based Filtering + sorting results by speaker id
- Keyword + sorting results based on Speaker id
- Keyword + sorting results based on dates
- Varying number of results per page
- Showing text around the exact document match
- Showing who (all) listened





# Latest Additions

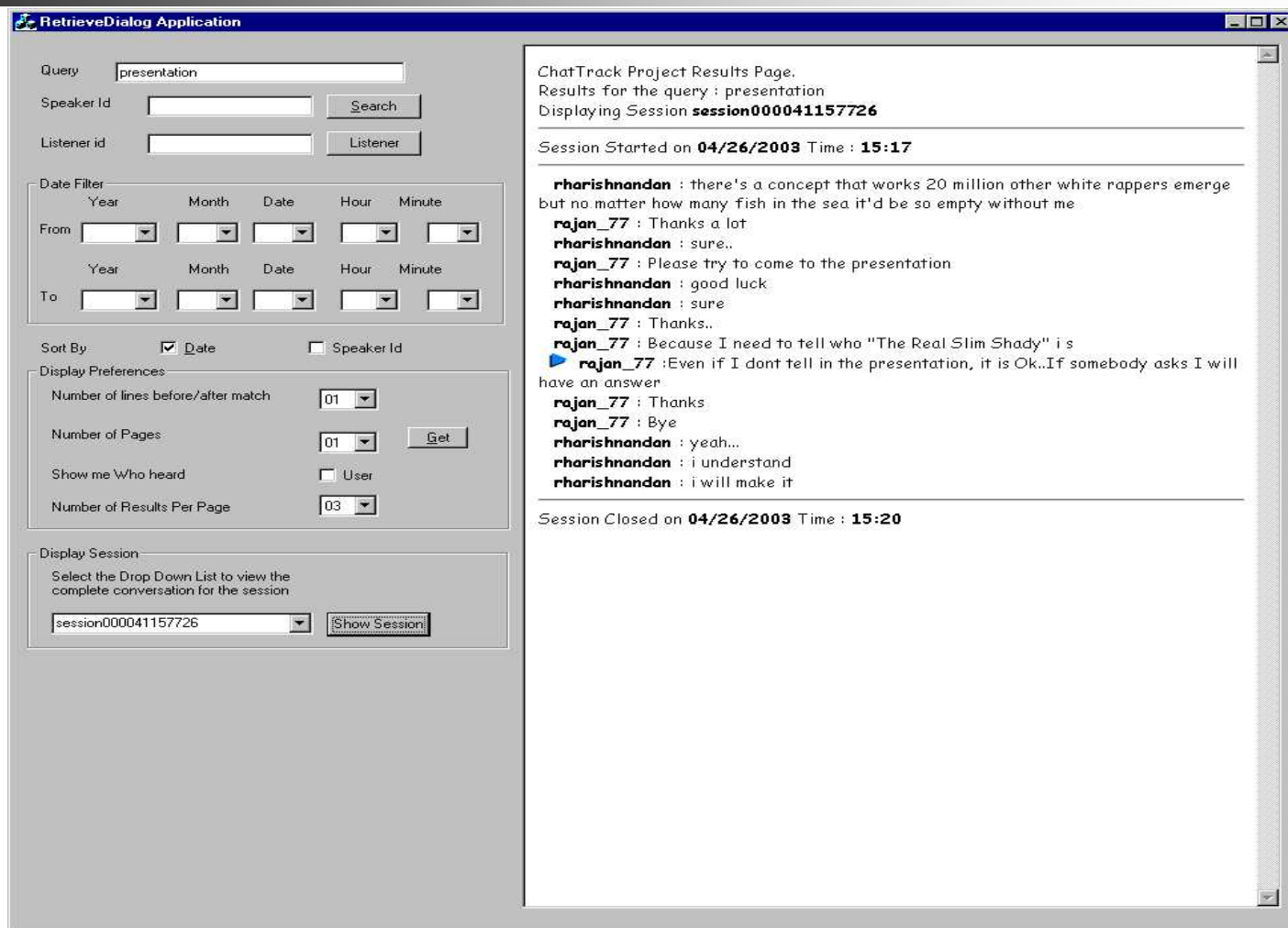
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- *Queries based on Dates, Returns session ids*
- *Queries based on Listener Id, Returns session ids*
- *Displaying complete session as it happened*





# Screen Shot Showing the complete session



The screenshot displays the 'RetrieveDialog Application' window. On the left, there are search filters: a 'Query' field with 'presentation', 'Speaker Id' and 'Listener id' fields with 'Search' and 'Listener' buttons, and a 'Date Filter' section with 'From' and 'To' date pickers. Below these are 'Sort By' options (Date checked, Speaker Id unchecked), 'Display Preferences' (Number of lines before/after match: 01, Number of Pages: 01, Show me Who heard: User unchecked, Number of Results Per Page: 03), and a 'Display Session' section with a dropdown menu showing 'session00041157726' and a 'Show Session' button.

The main content area on the right shows the chat session transcript:

ChatTrack Project Results Page.  
Results for the query : presentation  
Displaying Session **session00041157726**

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Session Started on **04/26/2003** Time : **15:17**

**rharishnandan** : there's a concept that works 20 million other white rappers emerge but no matter how many fish in the sea it'd be so empty without me  
**rajan\_77** : Thanks a lot  
**rharishnandan** : sure..  
**rajan\_77** : Please try to come to the presentation  
**rharishnandan** : good luck  
**rharishnandan** : sure  
**rajan\_77** : Thanks..  
**rajan\_77** : Because I need to tell who "The Real Slim Shady" is  
▶ **rajan\_77** :Even if I dont tell in the presentation, it is Ok..If somebody asks I will have an answer  
**rajan\_77** : Thanks  
**rajan\_77** : Bye  
**rharishnandan** : yeah..  
**rharishnandan** : i understand  
**rharishnandan** : i will make it

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Session Closed on **04/26/2003** Time : **15:20**





# Scalability Issues

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## ➤ Issues

### ➤ Number of Files

- Assuming a user chats 1 hour a day, creating 12 message files/minute

In a day, 720 message files. (Total files = 2,160)

In a month, 21,600 message files. ( Total files = 64,800)

In a year, the total will be 259,200 files (Total files = 777,600)

Windows allows up  $2^{32}-1$  Files = 4,294,967,295 files.

### ➤ Disk usage for files

- Assuming each message file with 150 Bytes of data

39 MB of Message data + 7 MB for storing user information per year

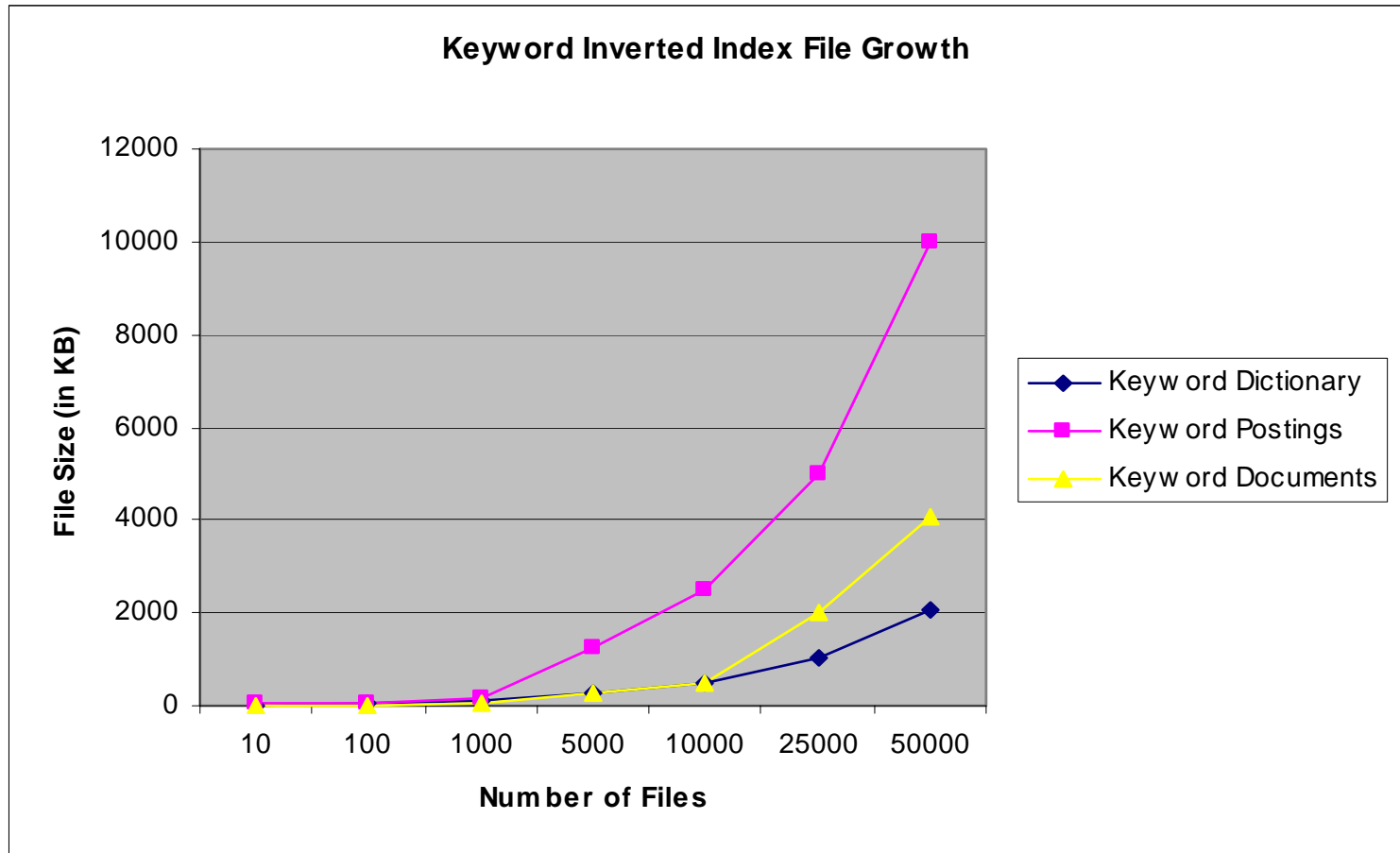
### ➤ Size of inverted index

### ➤ Time for retrieve

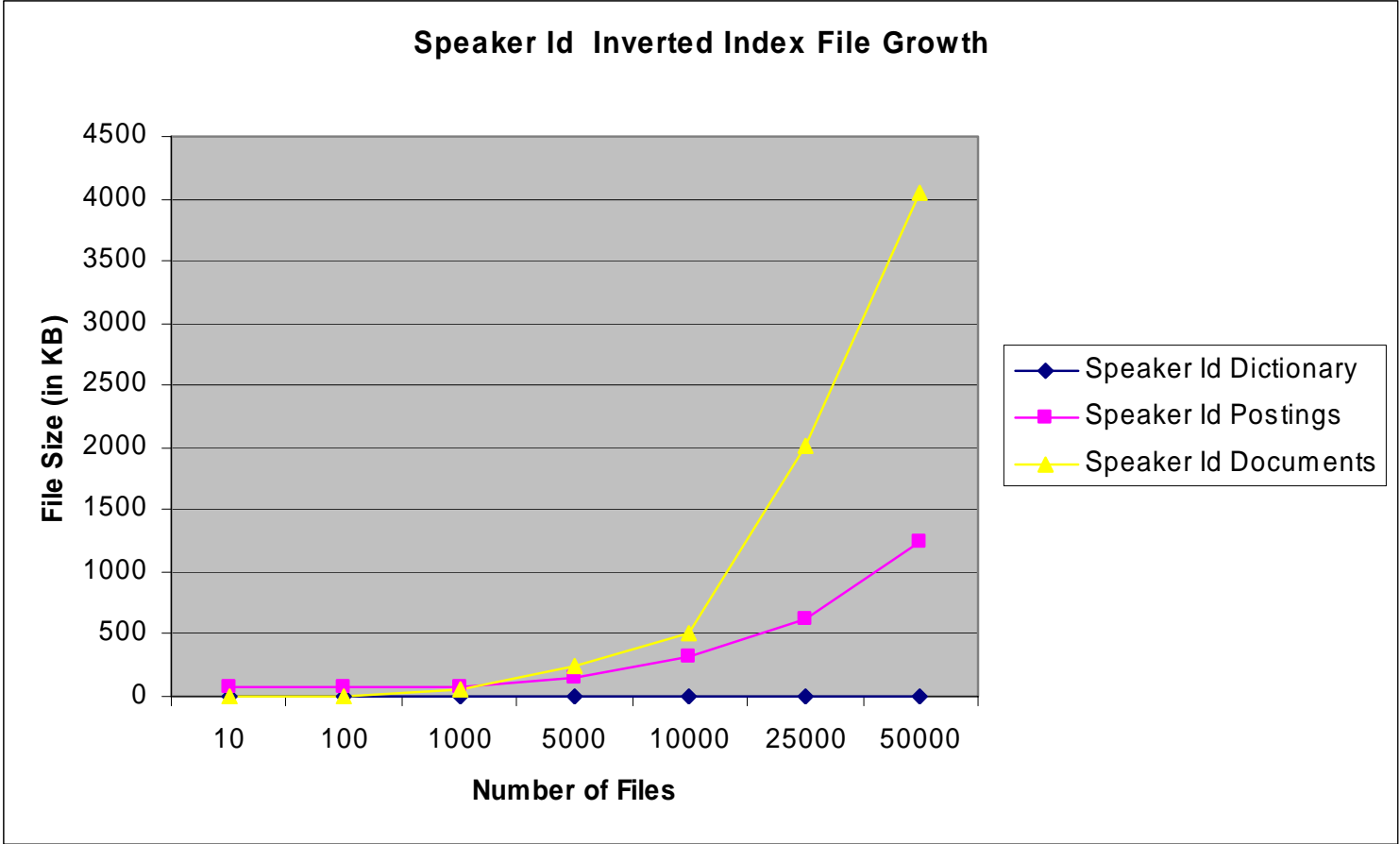




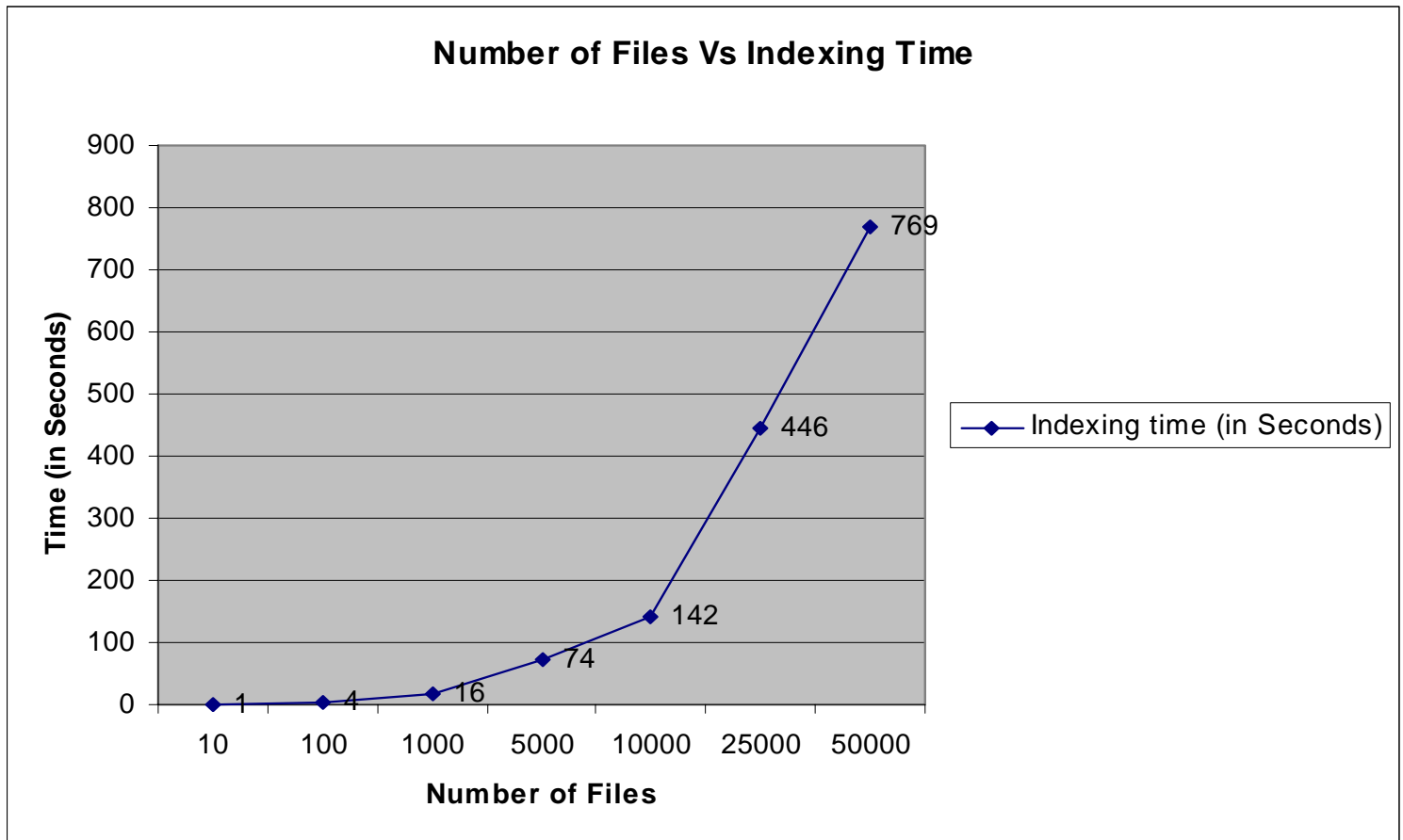
# Key Word Inverted Index File Growth



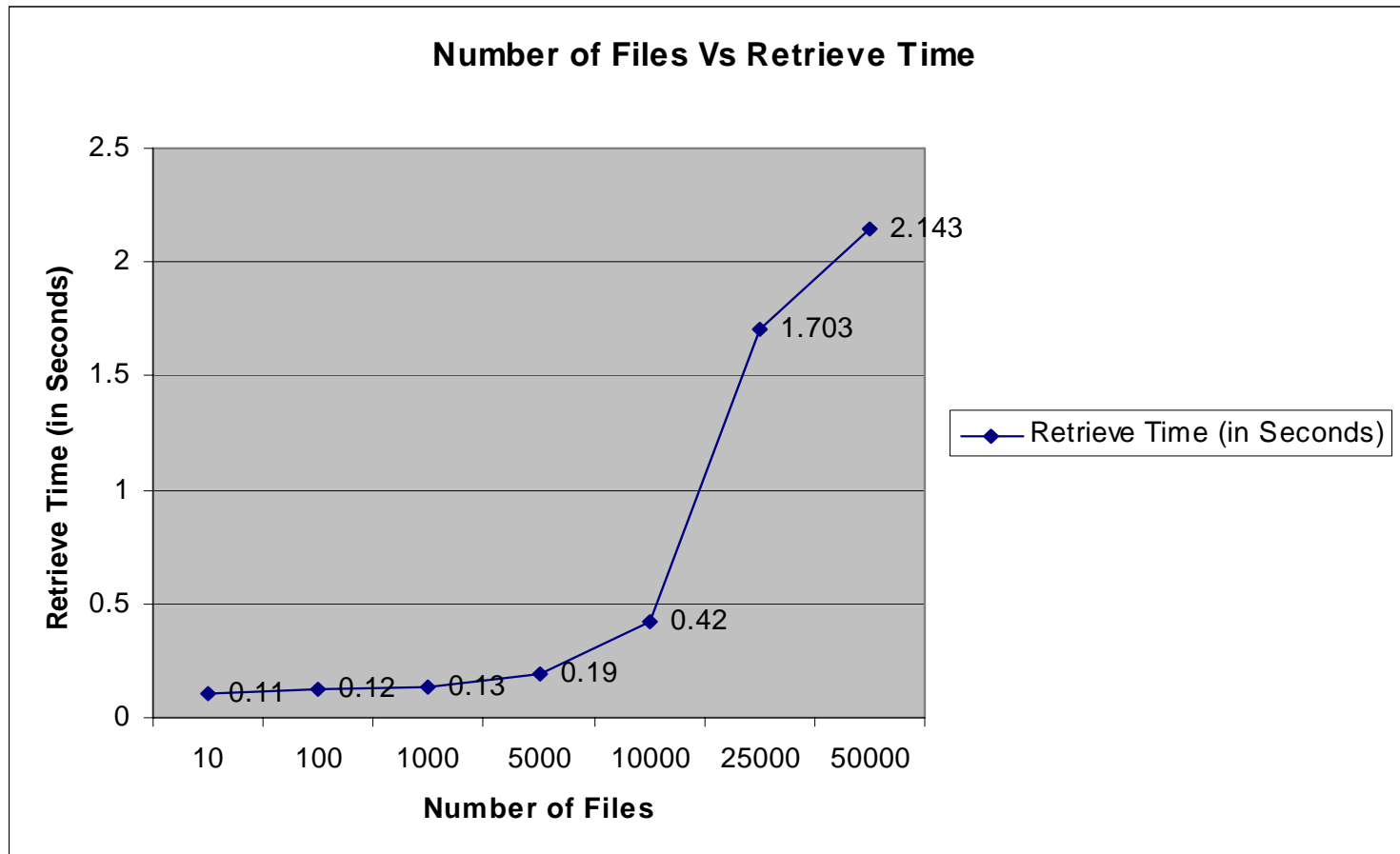
# Speaker Id Inverted Index File Growth



# Number of Files Vs Indexing Time



# Number of Files Vs Retrieval Time





# System Features

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- Environments
  - Windows NT
  - Windows 2000 Professional
- MSN Messenger Versions
  - 5.0 and earlier





# Future work

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- XML
  - Able to be used by chat servers open architecture
- Building User Profiles
- Topic Detection and Tracking
- Segmentation
- Text Summarization





# Conclusions

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- An architecture for logging text, index and retrieve information in an efficient way
- First academic system to do research with chat data
- Shares code with server-based version





# Special Acknowledgements

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➤ The 5 Ss







# Questions ??

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