

DBS_file_description.txt

The logs are collected by the following search service:

http://www.bildungsserver.de/start_e.html

The "Deutscher Bildungsserver" (Germany edu server) is a clearinghouse or internet directory for educational resources. Internet resources (web sites) are described, checked

for their quality, manually indexed and classified. For more information on the goals of the DBS refer to:

The institution maintaining this service is the DIPF in Frankfurt, Germany:

http://www.dipf.de/en?set_language=en

The logs were collected in the time between September and November of 2009. The logs are server logs in which the searches and the results viewed can be observed.

The logs have been anonymized by partially obscuring the IP addresses of users. The two upper levels of server names or IP addresses have been hashed. This allows the

reconstruction of sessions within the data.

Note that accesses by search engine bots are still within the logs.

The logs allow to observe two types of user queries:

- queries in search engines (in the referrer when DBS files were found using a search engine)
- queries within the DBS (see query parameters in `metasuche/qsuche`)

The logs also allow so observe the browsing behavior within the DBS server structure. The following pages are of most interest:

- the descriptions of the educational web sites within DBS (`mlesen`)
- thematic lists of educational web sites (`zeigen`, `anzeigen`, `fachlist`, `listen`)
- a newspaper documentation on articles about education (`zeitdok`)

The logs allow to access two types of content and compare them to the queries.

- the descriptions of the educational web sites within DBS
- the content of the educational web sites themselves (which might have changed since the logs have been collected) in those cases where the user might have accessed them