
Subject: Re: Tools to search this group, now that Google has screwed up their search?

Posted by [R.G. Stockwell](#) on Wed, 02 Sep 2009 20:13:20 GMT

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"Ed Hyer" <ejhyer@gmail.com> wrote in message

news:e16b7674-f986-403b-bfc9-f6110c095c10@f20g2000prn.google groups.com...

> This was discussed in a thread a few weeks back, but (haha) I can't

> find it.

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> Google Groups, which I have been using to browse this group for years,

> has recently changed their search options to return only recent

> results. This makes the search basically useless for this group. There

> is an "advanced search" which allows you to search archives, but it's

> complicated and I am lazy. I mean, it's not clickable straight from

> the groups page, it requires you to type in the name of the group, and

> requires 5-6 extra clicks besides. Very un-Google-like.

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> What other tools do people use to search this archive?

great question. I searched for a good search engine, and could not find anything. I did find several that did binary group searches only. (almost like an old fashion bit-torrent). Do not search these if you are at work, lol.

if i find something, i'll post it here.

cheers,

bob

Subject: Re: Tools to search this group, now that Google has screwed up their search?

Posted by [cgguido](#) on Wed, 02 Sep 2009 20:37:26 GMT

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This works in Firefox, and might work in other browsers too.

Go to:

http://groups.google.com/groups/search?as_q=where&as_epq

[=&as_oq=&as_eq=&num=10&lr=&as_sitesearch](http://groups.google.com/groups/search?as_q=where&as_epq=&as_oq=&as_eq=&num=10&lr=&as_sitesearch)

[=&as_qdr=&as_mind=1&as_minm=1&as_miny=2009&a](http://groups.google.com/groups/search?as_q=where&as_epq=&as_oq=&as_eq=&num=10&lr=&as_sitesearch=&as_qdr=&as_mind=1&as_minm=1&as_miny=2009&a)

[mp;as_maxd=1&as_maxm=1&as_maxy=2009&as_ugroup=co](http://groups.google.com/groups/search?as_q=where&as_epq=&as_oq=&as_eq=&num=10&lr=&as_sitesearch=&as_qdr=&as_mind=1&as_minm=1&as_miny=2009&a)

[mp.lang.idl-pvwave&as_usubject=&as_uauthors=&saf e=off](http://groups.google.com/groups/search?as_q=where&as_epq=&as_oq=&as_eq=&num=10&lr=&as_sitesearch=&as_qdr=&as_mind=1&as_minm=1&as_miny=2009&a)

which is searching for where in the group.

Now bookmark this page. Then open the bookmarks organizer and find your bookmark. In the address replace 'where' with '%s' with no quotes. Add a keyword (not a tag, that's different. You may have to expand a little arrow in the bookmark manager window to see the keyword field.) I used the keyword 'gg'.

Now in the address bar of Firefox I can type 'gg histogram' and it returns a search for histogram in the whole group, sorted by relevance.

If it does not make sense, have a look at:

<http://screencast.com/t/CXowWNh4LkEq>

Gianguido

Subject: Re: Tools to search this group, now that Google has screwed up their search?

Posted by [Michael Galloy](#) on Wed, 02 Sep 2009 21:18:35 GMT

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Gianguido wrote:

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Yes, I believe this is the same as a smart keyword. But you can make one by just right clicking on the search box and selecting "Add a keyword for this search".

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