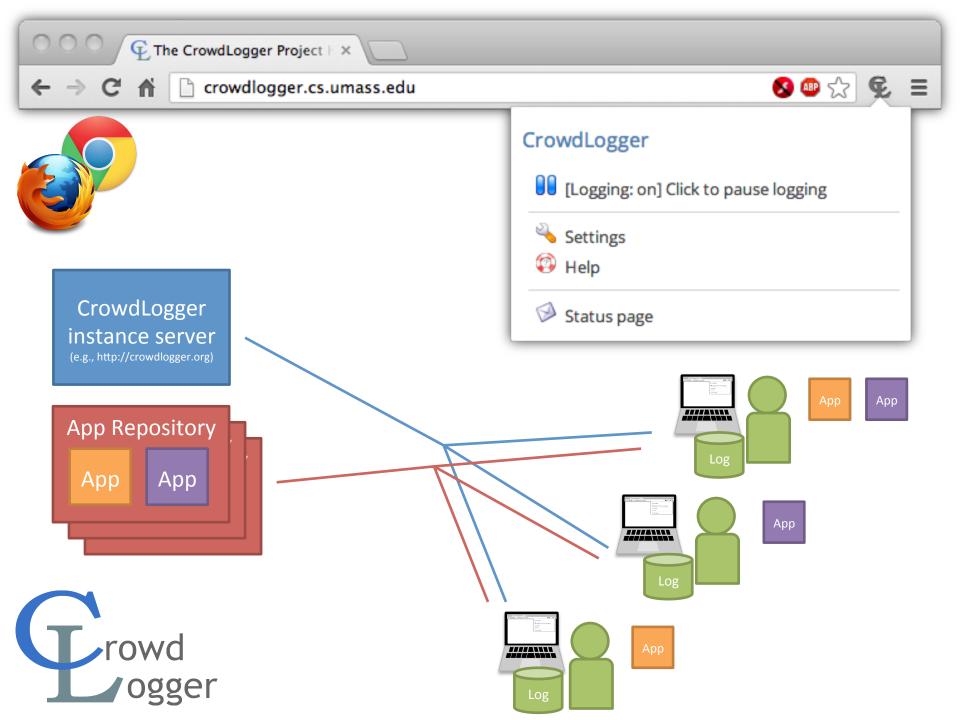
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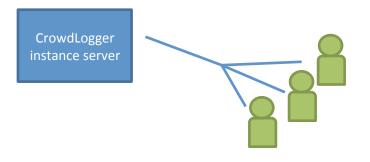




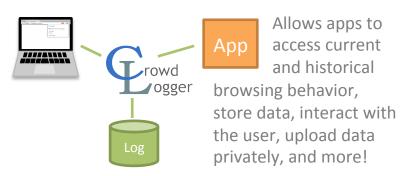


Advantages

User Base = Participant Pool



Rich API



Apps can be developed by anyone



And distributed from a private repository, or a CrowdLogger server instance.

Open Source



The entire code base is available from our Google Project page:

https://code.google.com/p/crowdlogger/

Users' data logged locally



If an app wants to upload data somewhere else, they need permission from the user.

Multiple apps at the same time





CrowdLogger is somewhat akin to a smart phone or tablet—it's an extensible, general-purpose platform with a convenient API.



Status page

Recent Messages

There are <u>no new messages</u> of <u>1</u> total messages. The most recent message is from April 2 ("Welcome to CrowdLogger!").

Click here to see all messages.

Tools

<u>Settings</u>

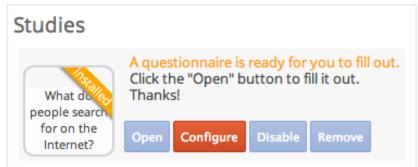
Register

Search histogram

View browsing log

Clear entire log Install apps & studies





Feedback

If you have any comments or suggestions about the CrowdLogger system that you would like to let us know, you can email us at info@crowdlogger.org or leave an anonymous message at this web page.



Settings

There are not many settings just yet. More will show up as we further develop CrowdLogger.

App/Study repositories

Below are listed the repositories currently loaded.

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Add

Developer mode

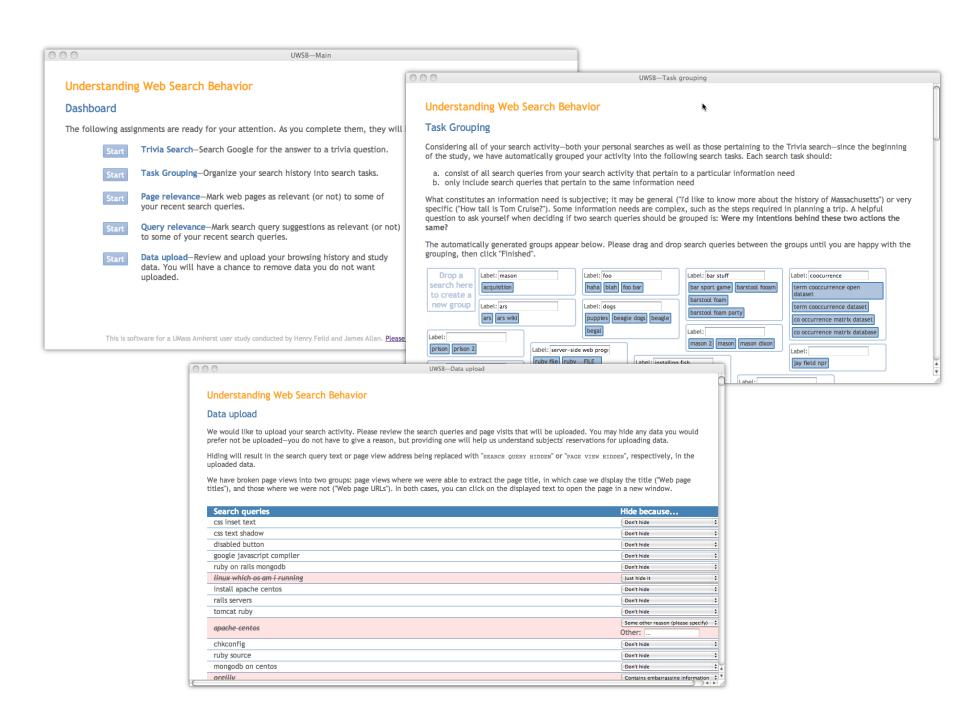
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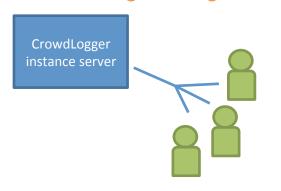
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Save and close



Challenges/Future work

Amassing a large user base



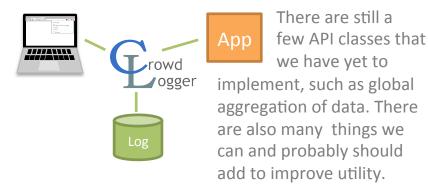
How do we attract and retain users?

Simplifying app development



We'd like to make it easy for research groups with minimal programming skills to build and deploy apps

Complete/Extend API



Attracting developers



It's good for the development process to be overseen by more than one pair of eyes. This will make the code more maintainable and also more secure.

Logging across more browsers



Right now we only support two of the leading browsers. It would be nice to extend CrowdLogger to IE, Safari, Opera, and others.

Handling multi-apps environments





What happens if two studies are running concurrently, and both modify the browsing UI?