

Hybrid Methods of Desktop Journal Article Delivery

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The Navy's Corporate Research Capability
Naval Research Laboratory Environment

Main Campus - Washington, D.C.

3,000 Federal Employees [1,500 Scientists & Engineers]

1,000 On-site contractors

130-acre Campus 116 Buildings

Subject Focus

Physics, Chemistry, Electronics, Space Sciences

Other Locations

NRL - Stennis, MS

NRL - Monterey, CA

Parent Organization

Office of Naval Research, Arlington, VA

The 'Web': *A Plethora of useless knowledge?*

End users need help navigating the information jungle

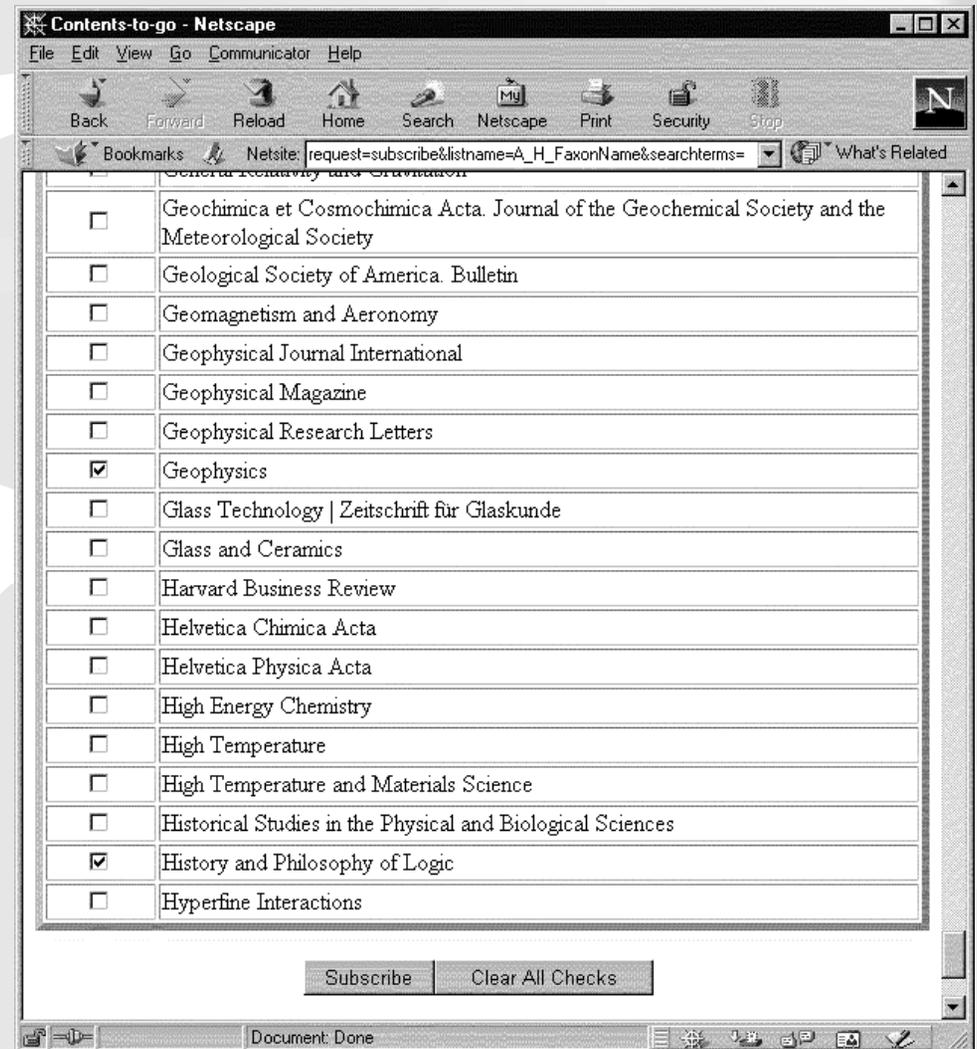
- How do they keep abreast of current research?
- How do they find out what journals are available digitally?
- How do they navigate dozens of publisher web sites?
- How do they get access to the complete article?
- How do they weed out the extraneous info?

Contents-to-Go to the Rescue...

- Contents-to-Go fills in the gap
 - E-mailed journal tables of contents
 - URL's to web sites containing full text
 - Reply e-mail option also available to request snail-mail article delivery

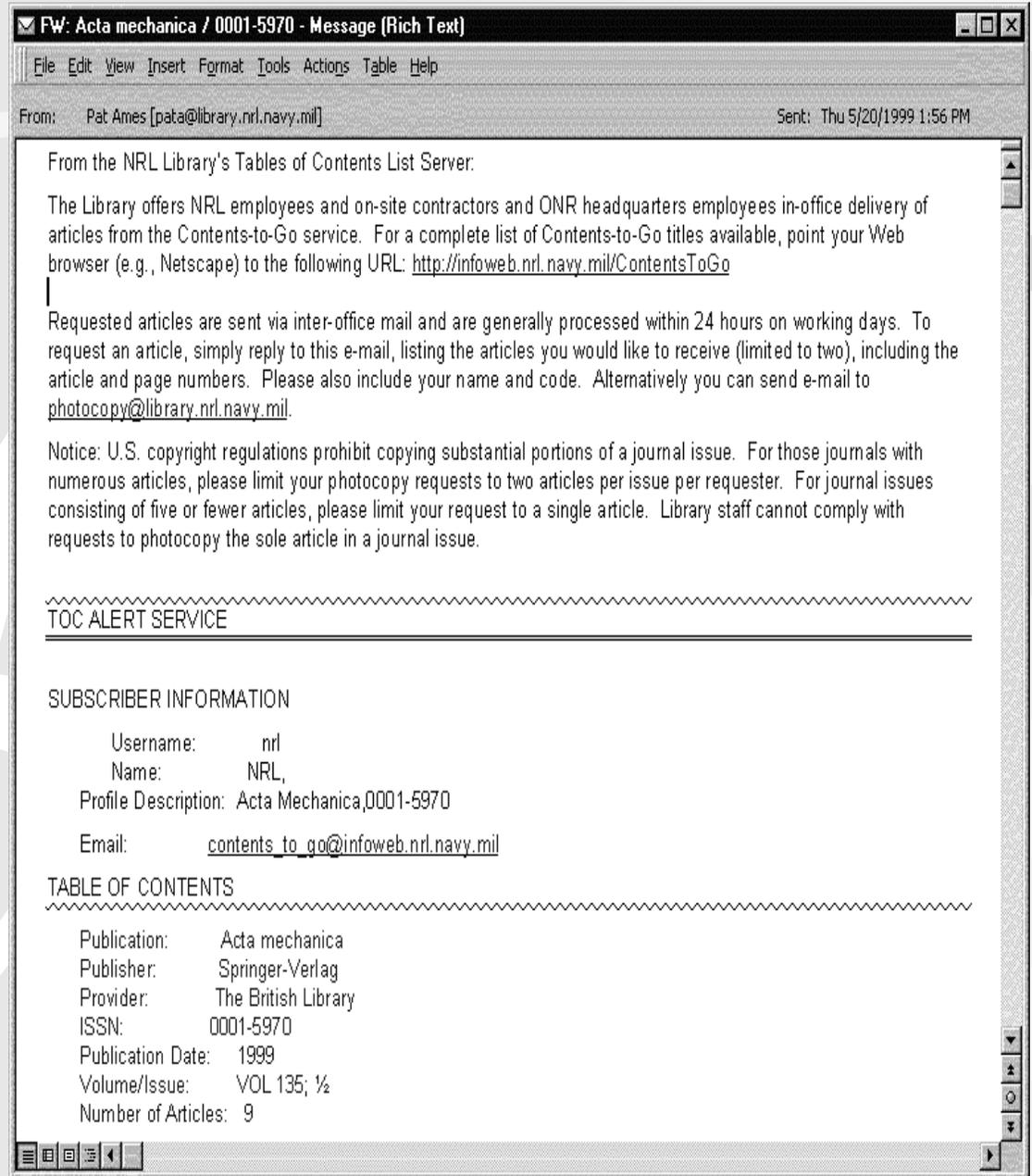
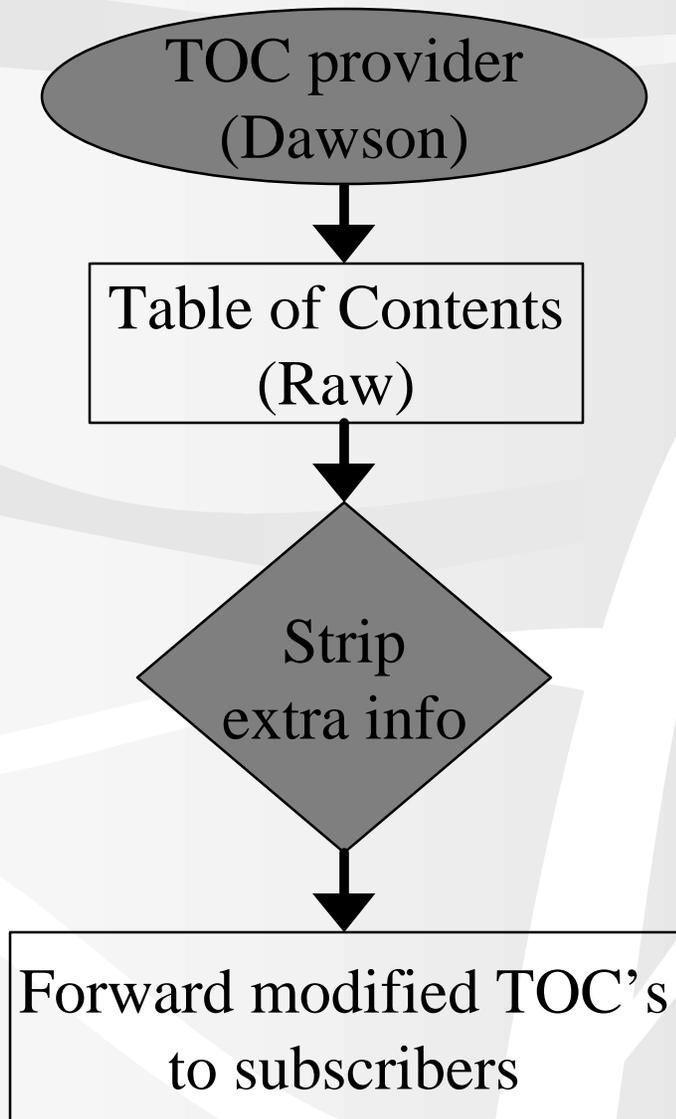
Easy to Join...

NRL Researchers can add or remove titles from their profile via a web-based interface.



How does it work?

- The Contents-to-Go system is really over 1,000 individual mailing lists with a web interface.
- Any mailing list (ListServ) software can be used. - Many now offer web interfaces!
- Contents-to-Go currently runs on a Sun Enterprise 4000, which also serves as our web server.

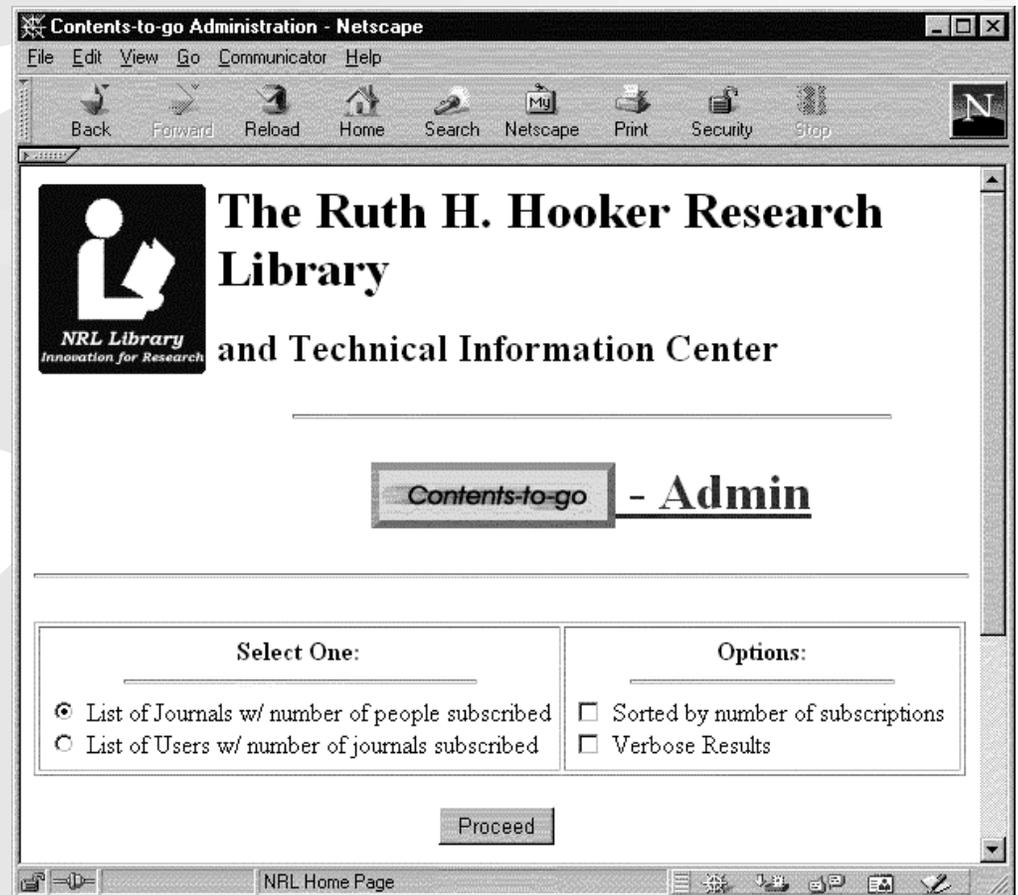


Adding *Content* to Contents-to-Go

- For journals on publisher Web site, table of contents header provides URL link to site
- For journals loaded locally, in TORPEDO *Ultra*, table of contents header provides URL link to journal

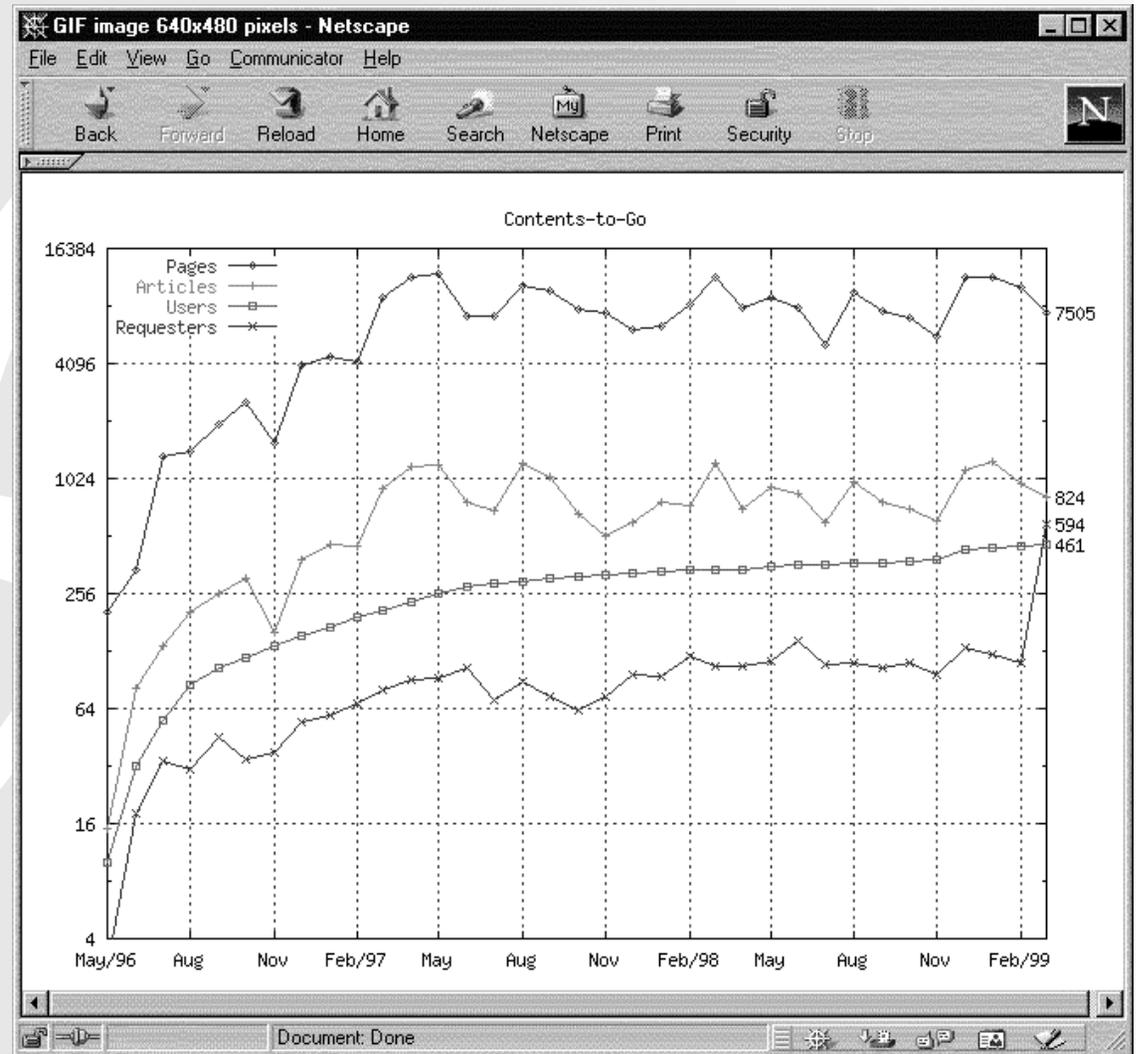
How do you manage it?

- Web-based interface to remove dead e-mail addresses
- Intelligent error messages from system



Is it popular?

- Consistent increase in usage
- Always receive positive feedback



Future Enhancements

- Provide option for HTML mail with link directly to articles.
- Deliver full content where available (i.e. Newsletters)
- Integrate Contents-to-Go list with other journal lists (Holdings list, Library Catalog, E-journal list, etc.)
- Requests for non-digital articles integrated with Document Delivery provider.

