Dreamster

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DREAMSTER IS ABOUT A SOFTWARE DEVELOPED IN A HEAT OF PASSION WHILE OUR INVENTOR IS OUT OF WORK AND LIVING IN AN UNDERGROUND BASEMENT.

TOO BROKE FOR EVEN THE COFFEEHOUSE TODAY, OUR PENNYLESS INVENTOR AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING MASTER CHATS WITH HIS VARIOUS COMPUTER GEEK FRIENDS OVER WEBCAMS.

HUNCHED OVER THE COMPUTER...THE ROOM IS DARKISH, AWASH IN A GREENISH LIGHT, ONLY THE GLOW OF THE COMPUTER WARMS IT. NEARBY IS A SMALL RABBIT, WHICH OUR INVENTOR TAKES TIME TO ALLOW A NIP OFF HIS CARROT BETWEEN BITES.

Yes, penniless, distracted underworld professor type, grappling with theory's, theroms, and a distinct inability to communcate with the "real" world, develops social anxieties, builds robots and has weird habits like quarter flipping to determine what he will be doing, obsessed with the intricacies of the Dream and Enigma machines. Well, just like our inventor really, with a few dimensions and moral dilemmas brought to the surface eventually. Reads romance novels. Is humble and pretentious at the same time. Secretly dreams of a cool mountain top in Switzerland.

So, What is it exactly?

It's a a "screen saver that uses the idle power of millions of computers to analyze the dreams of its users." Based on the same general idea as the SETI@homescreensaver, it uses pattern recognition algorithms in an effort to find common themes among all of the dreams that are entered into it daily. The first version is funded primarily primarily with a variety of unusual and somewhat unsavory small business enterprises, online gambling and the like.

IM and Cam Chats often go like this..

"Well I have to admit the possibilities are quite DREAMSTER -A interesting...

Perhaps this thing can extrapolate computational data from brains in the power of porn, and focus it..

Analyst Type guy comes in with a stack of post it notes..

Finance brainster & negotiator Guy: David

Is busy plotting various (and sometimes unsavory..:) schemes, always messing around with the numbers, making jokes and asking kinda dumb questions, which conceal some of his seemingly accidental occasional brilliant ideas. He pops up here and there, perhaps helps the programmer group to negotiate with the the possible financiers and other local street people.

He coaches Mark before he goes into meeting with the various "investors" (cos./orgs whatever) as to how to approach each new partner. He's done his research, and how..

Inventor: "so how is the search for funding going, any bites

BUSINESS GUY:

Well, you know. I've actually got a couple of calls in already. Apparently, there's a few Homeland Security guys that found out about it and gave us a call. A couple of Russians guys left a voicemail.

And guess what? Coca-Cola called. They are so excited. They havean idea that it can send data back in the dreams in subliminal messages so they can promote "Zero."

INVENTOR:

Wow. Really? Well, I'm guessing the Gov wants in because they think Dreamster can predict a terrorist attack or a world catastrophe.

The Russians? That's odd. They have had this technology for years when they developed Psychic Espionage.

And uh..Coke? Well, I suppose they have a few dollars laying around.Maybe they can rename the software "Cokester." HeHe. I'm very tempted to make them an offer they can't refuse.