Class Topic: Physical places, Online Spaces and Digital Identity

- Between physical place and digital space is the socio-legal environment

- One server in Chicago may be deemed to be "in" Moscow

  - Closed Community; Gated Community; Cross-Enterprise; Globally Open

  - Choice of law, enforcement of judgments

  - International cooperation and local autonomy

  - The great jurisdiction wars

- Fusing the layers, articulating the semantics

  - Domain Names

    § The latent promise of the domain name: dot-kids as the camels nose

    § Municipal zoning approach to top level domain names

    § Knowing "where you are" and "how to act"

  - Assigned Names and Numbers: IP Address, GPS Coordinates, User Name, CPU cycles, Transactions and the notion of "Minimal Contacts" and "Nexus"

    § Existing at the same time in many places

    § Existing at many times from the same point source

- What if and why not revisited:

  - The Digital Embassy – nah-nah, you can't touch me?

  - The Diplomatic Digital Pouch

  - Never touching the ground

  - Breaking through the Matrix