

# Archive Ingest and Handling Test: ODU's Perspective

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# Fortress Model

## Five Easy Steps for Preservation:

1. Get a lot of \$
2. Buy a lot of disks, machines, tapes, etc.
3. Hire an army of staff
4. Load a small amount of data
5. “Look upon my archive ye Mighty, and despair!”



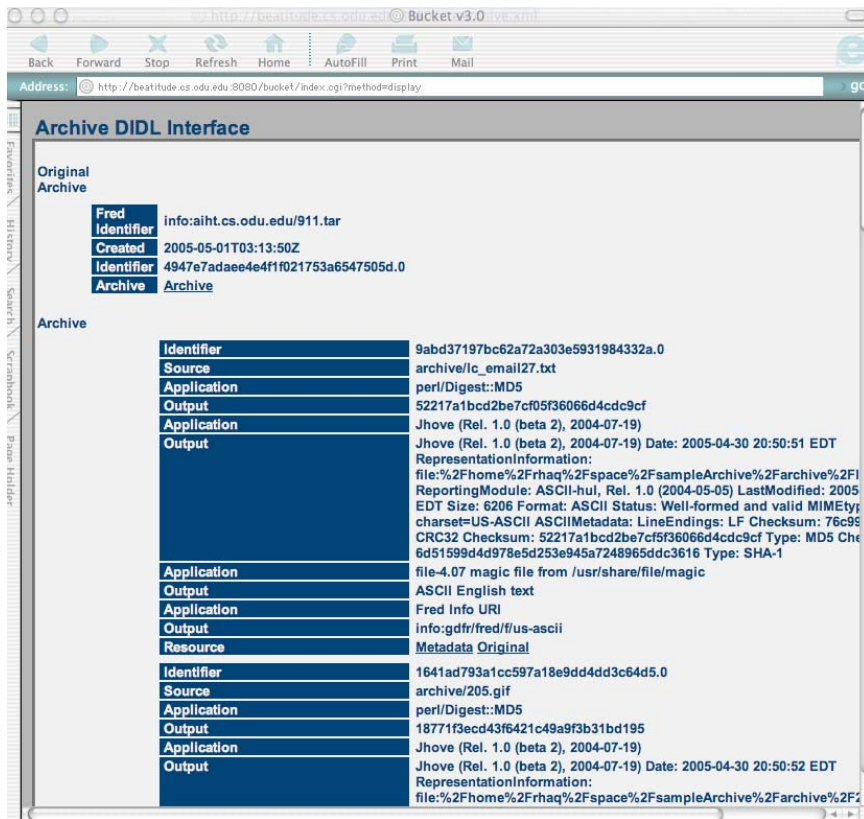
# ODU's Research Goals

- We're in the CS department, not the library
  - Less infrastructure (bad)
  - More freedom (good)
- Interested in repository/object interaction
  - Long-range vision: repositories fade away; objects are responsible for their own preservation
  - Could we accomplish this with our “bucket” technology?
    - Significant questions about archive granularity
    - Transition to MPEG-21 Digital Item Declaration Language (DIDL) based buckets
- New models for digital preservation?

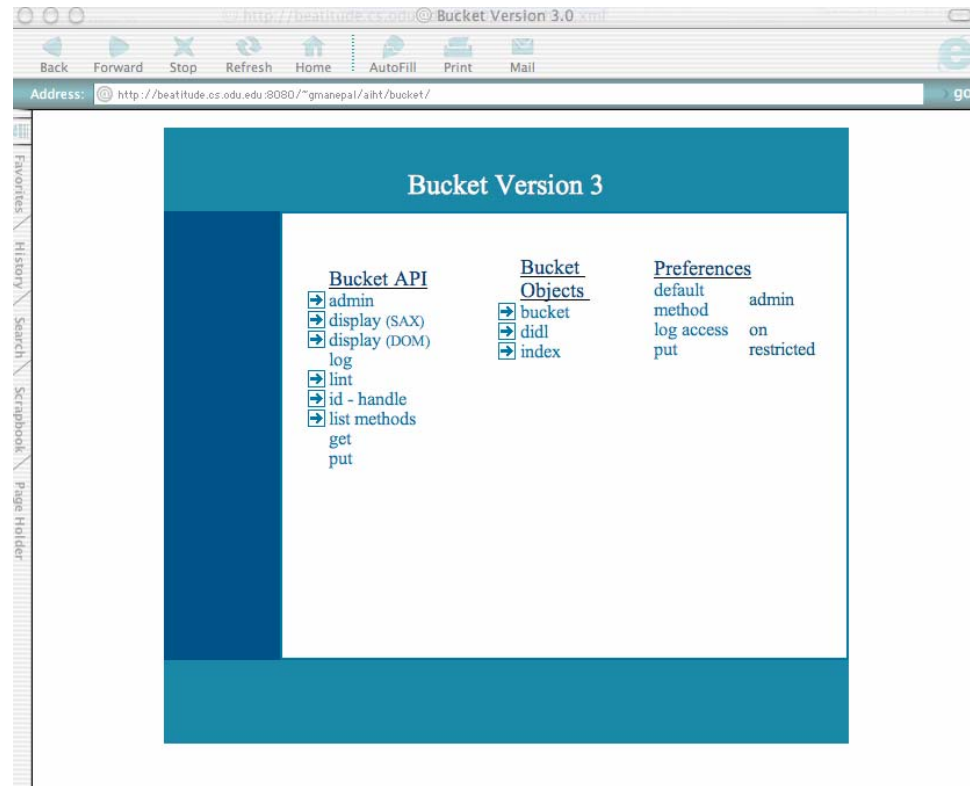
# Buckets

- Buckets: self-contained, web-accessible objects
  - Grew out of research for serving NASA documents, esp. NACA Reports
    - <http://naca.larc.nasa.gov/>
    - <http://doi.acm.org/10.1145/374308.374342>
  - implicit assumptions:
    - 1 bucket = 1 logical item (N physical items)
    - Display is for human use
    - Bucket contents are DOM-parsable

# Which Interface?



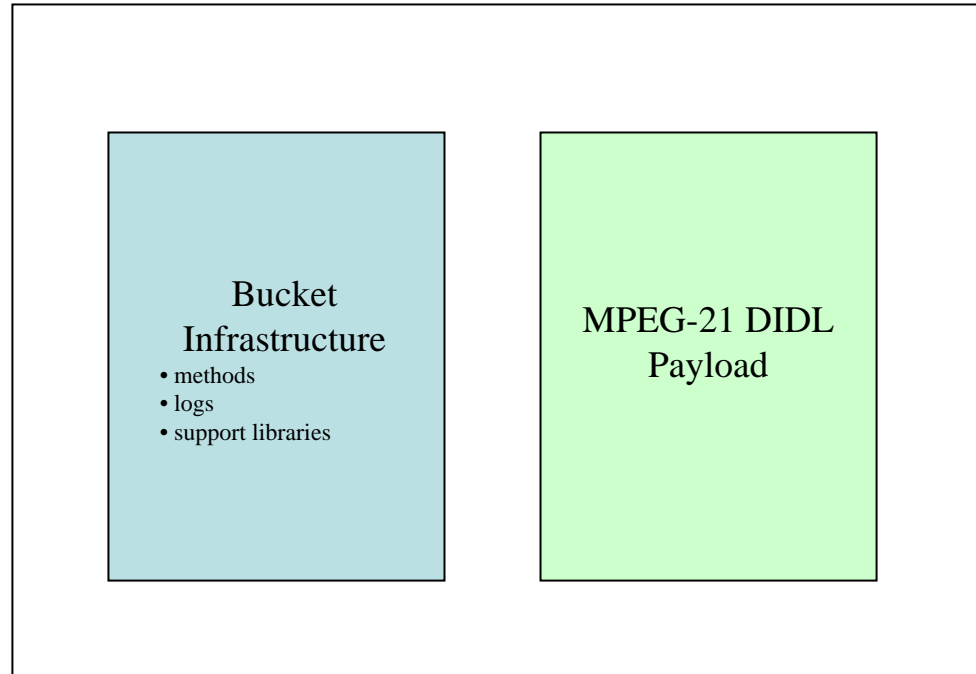
Display based on web use



Display based on archival use

# Bucket / MPEG-21 Model

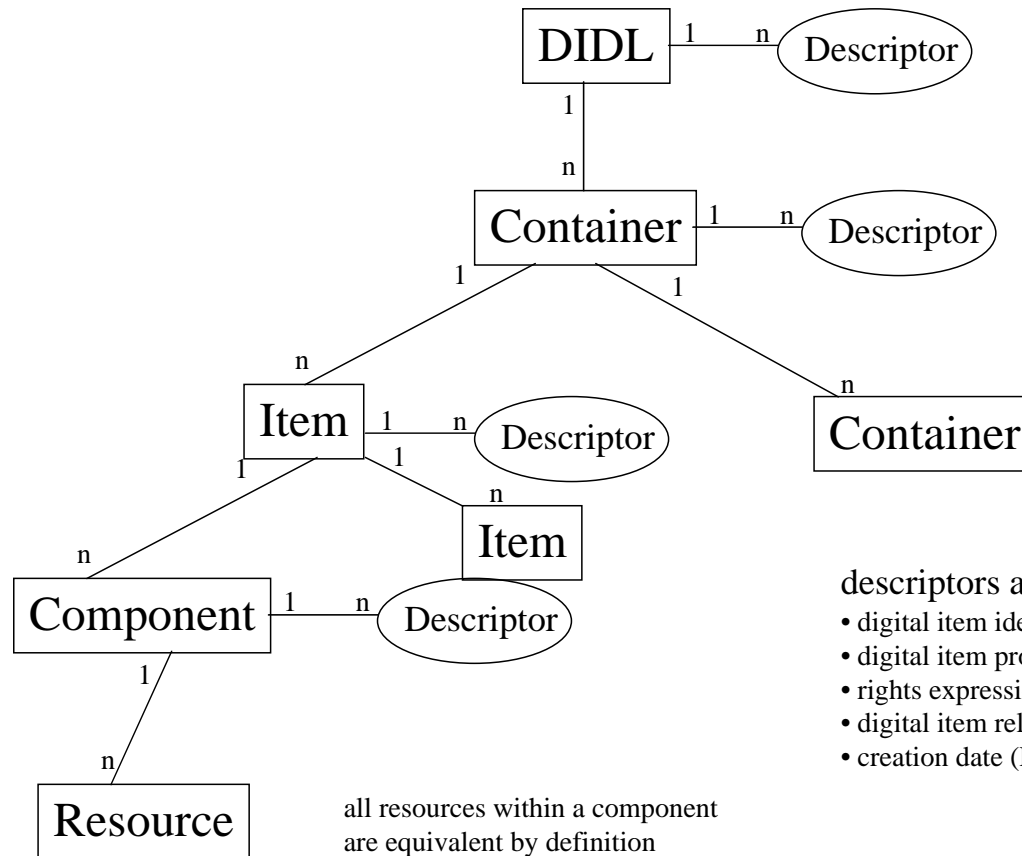
<http://beatitude.cs.odu.edu:8080/bucket/>



# MPEG-21 DIDL

- A generic, powerful complex object metadata format
  - Based on an abstract data model
  - Semantics separated from syntax
    - i.e. the tags don't mean anything -- a little disconcerting at first glance
  - Digital library use championed by LANL
    - <http://www.dlib.org/dlib/november03/bekaert/11bekaert.html>
    - <http://www.dlib.org/dlib/february04/bekaert/02bekaert.html>
    - <http://arxiv.org/abs/cs.DL/0502028>

# MPEG-21 DIDL Data Model



How to encode Archive?

- 1 file = 1 DID
- 1 archive = 1 container
- 1 archive = 1 component
- 1 file = 1 component

descriptors are used to convey:

- digital item identification (DII)
- digital item processing (DIP)
- rights expression language (REL)
- digital item relations (DIR)
- creation date (DIDT)



# 1 File = 1 Component

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<!-- archive.xml -->
- <didl:DIDL xmlns:didl="urn:mpeg:mpeg21:2002:01-DIDL-NS">
- <didl:Container>
    <!-- Original Archive Identifier -->
+ <didl:Descriptor>
    <!-- Creation Date of this XML representation -->
+ <didl:Descriptor>
    <!-- Archive -->
- <didl:Item>
    <!-- Original Archive -->
+ <didl:Item>
    <!-- Item File Name Mapping -->
+ <didl:Item>
    <!-- Archive Contents -->
+ <didl:Item>
    </didl:Item>
</didl:Container>
</didl:DIDL>
```

8 file archive for demo purposes...

<http://www.cs.odu.edu/~mln/aiht/>

# Looking Inside the Archive

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<!-- archive.xml -->
- <didl:DIDL xmlns:didl="urn:mpeg:mpeg21:2002:01-DIDL-NS">
- <didl:Container>
  <!-- Original Archive Identifier -->
+ <didl:Descriptor>
  <!-- Creation Date of this XML representation -->
+ <didl:Descriptor>
  <!-- Archive -->
- <didl:Item>
  <!-- Original Archive -->
+ <didl:Item>
  <!-- Item File Name Mapping -->
+ <didl:Item>
  <!-- Archive Contents -->
- <didl:Item>
  + <didl:Component>
  + <didl:Component>
  + <didl:Component>
  + <didl:Component>
  + <didl:Component>
  + <didl:Component>
  + <didl:Component>
  + <didl:Component>
  </didl:Item>
</didl:Item>
</didl:Container>
</didl:DIDL>
```

# Looking at a Single File...

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8" ?>
<!-- archive.xml -->
- <didl:DIDL xmlns:didl="urn:mpeg:mpeg21:2002:01-DIDL-NS">
- <didl:Container>
  <!-- Original Archive Identifier -->
+ <didl:Descriptor>
  <!-- Creation Date of this XML representation -->
+ <didl:Descriptor>
  <!-- Archive -->
- <didl:Item>
  <!-- Original Archive -->
+ <didl:Item>
  <!-- Item File Name Mapping -->
+ <didl:Item>
  <!-- Archive Contents -->
- <didl:Item>
  - <didl:Component>
    <!-- File Identifier -->
    + <didl:Descriptor>
    <!-- MD5 Checksum of the File Contents -->
    + <didl:Descriptor>
    <!-- Output of Jhove -->
    + <didl:Descriptor>
    <!-- Output of file -->
    + <didl:Descriptor>
    <!-- Fred URI -->
    + <didl:Descriptor>
    <!-- File Resource -->
    <didl:Resource mimeType="text/plain" ref="repository/9abd37197bc62a72a303e5931984332a.0" />
  </didl:Component>
+ <didl:Component>
+ <didl:Component>
+ <didl:Component>
+ <didl:Component>
+ <didl:Component>
+ <didl:Component>
+ <didl:Component>
  </didl:Item>
```

# Design Decisions: File Storage

- Store each file as a <Component>
  - Big: each file is base64'd into the DIDL
  - Small: each file is ref'd from the DIDL to a directory
    - Filename = MD5 hash of the original file name (not contents!) + a version number
    - Example:

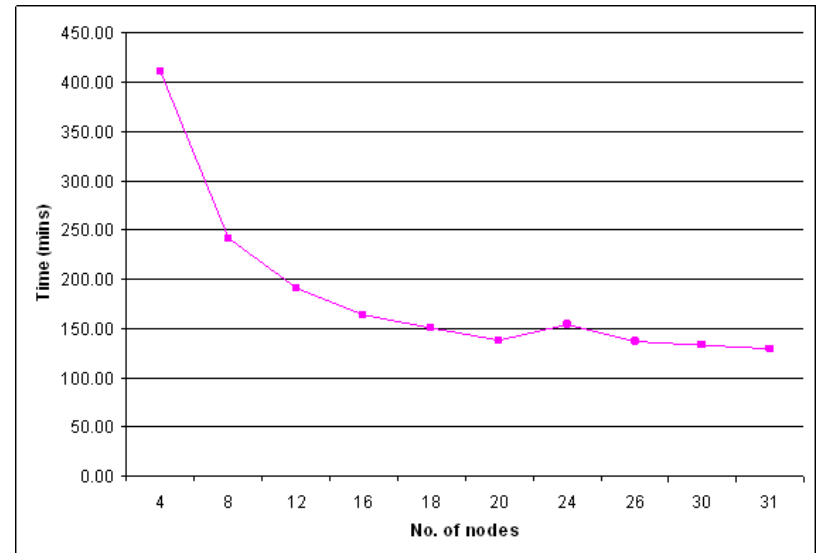
```
<didl:Resource mimeType="image/gif"ref="repository/1641ad793a1cc597a18e9dd4dd3c64d5.0" />
```

# Archive Sizes

Name	XML File Size (bytes)	Notes
DIDL.xml	15382712841 (15 GB)	By-Value. This first upload did not contain the files "outside" of the original tar file.
DIDL2.xml	35633037513 (35 GB)	By-Value. This upload contained all files (tar file + database files)
DIDL3.xml	322653621 (322 MB)	By-Reference. All files. File size does not include tar file (26 GB).
DIDL4.xml	407093487 (407 MB)	By-Reference. Harvard Import. File size does not include tar file (24 GB).

# Design Decisions: Ingestion

- For every program/process to apply to a file, create a corresponding <Descriptor>
  - Jhove
  - Unix “file”
  - Fred URI
  - MD5 of file contents
- Expandable, scriptable list of metadata extraction / analysis programs
- Ingestion is parallelized over a workstation cluster



# Example Output: MD5

```
<didl:Descriptor>
<didl:Statement mimeType="text/xml; charset=UTF-8">
  <dc:creator xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/"
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xsi:schemaLocation="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/
http://dublincore.org/schemas/xmls/simpledc20021212.xsd">perl/Digest::M
D5</dc:creator>
  <dc:description xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/"
xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
xsi:schemaLocation="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/
http://dublincore.org/schemas/xmls/simpledc20021212.xsd">52217a1bcd2b
e7cf05f36066d4cdc9cf</dc:description>
</didl:Statement>
</didl:Descriptor>
```

# Conversion: AVI -> VOB

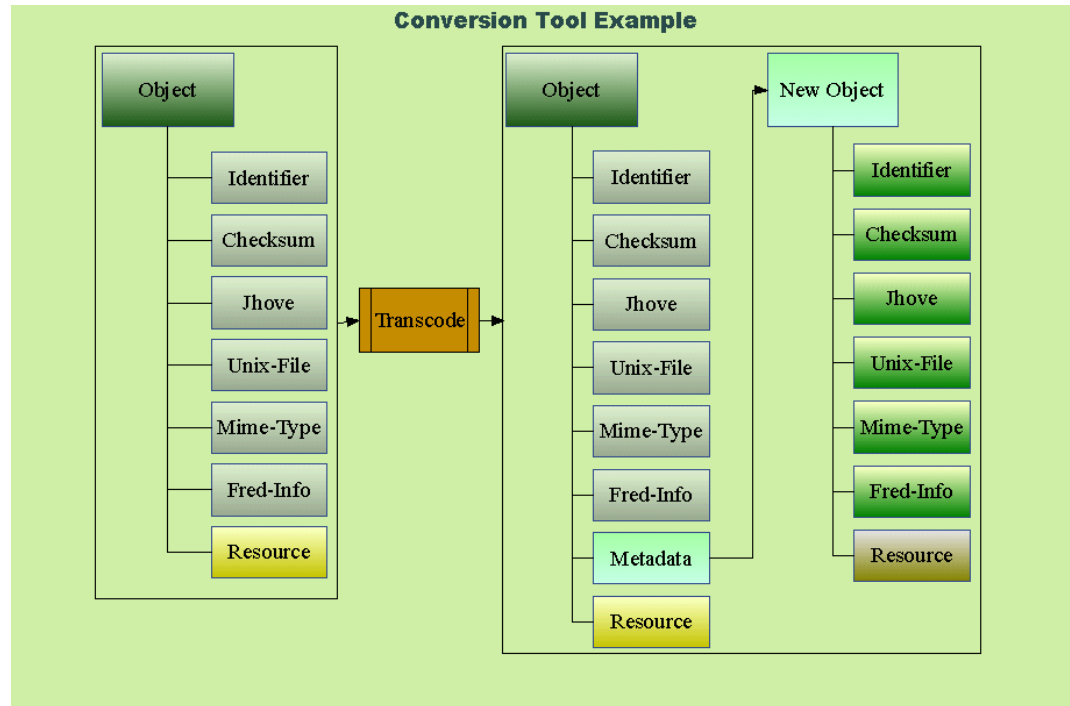
- Investigated PDF -> SVG, but tools were not mature
- Selected “transcode” for AVI -> VOB conversion
  - <http://www.transcoding.org/>
- Also implemented ImageMagick based rules for standard graphics conversion

AVI - MPEG 2 Conversion Report			
AVI	Done ?	Error Report	VOB
001-01	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	001-01
001	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	001
002-01	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	002-01
002	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	002
003-01	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	003-01
003	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	003
004-01	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	004-01
004	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	004
2nd-tower-goes-down-2	Yes		2nd-tower-goes-down-2
2nd-tower-goes-down	Yes		2nd-tower-goes-down
actual-crash	Yes		actual-crash
another-explosion-again	Yes		another-explosion-again
another-explosion	Yes		another-explosion
BUSH01	Yes		BUSH01
capitol-rumor	Yes		capitol-rumor
cnn-actual-crash	Yes		cnn-actual-crash
explosion-live	Yes		explosion-live
krash	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	krash
NY_from_far	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	NY_from_far
Pantagon_001	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	Pantagon_001
pentagon-fire	Yes		pentagon-fire
pentagon-fire-confirmed	Yes		pentagon-fire-confirmed
ras	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	ras
toren2	Yes		toren2
tower-on-smoke	Yes		tower-on-smoke
twc_towers_collapse[1]	Yes		twc_towers_collapse[1]
wtc	No	Video Stream Conversion Failure	wtc
wtc_divx	No	Audio Stream Conversion Failure	wtc_divx
Detailed Output Report <a href="#">output.log</a>			
Detailed Error Report <a href="#">error.log</a>			

<http://beatitude.cs.odu.edu:8080/~gmanepal/Transcode.html>



# Conversion: Linking Old to New



If the previous version of the Resource was specified as:  
`<didl:Resource mimeType="image/jpeg"  
ref="repository/9abd37197bc62a72a303e5931984332a.0" />`  
then the new version of the resource is specified as:  
`<didl:Resource mimeType="image/png"  
ref="repository/9abd37197bc62a72a303e5931984332a.1" />`

# Harvard Ingest

- Harvard's model was the most similar to our MPEG-21 model
- Ingesting from another archive is (roughly) the same as initial ingest
  - Save any metadata that was delivered in the original METS file as a <Descriptor>
    - We don't trust it, but it might be useful for future forensics
  - Re-ingest in the normal way
- Our export is part of the bucket API:
  - <http://beatitude.cs.odu.edu:8080/bucket/?method=get&id=didl>

```
<didl:Descriptor>
<didl:Statement mimeType="text/xml; charset=UTF-8">
  <dc:creator xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/
      http://dublincore.org/schemas/xmls/simpledc20021212.xsd">External Metadata</dc:creator>
  <dc:description xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xmlns:aes="http://www.aes.org/audioObject"
    xmlns:app="http://hul.harvard.edu/ois/xml/ns/drs/app" xmlns:mix="http://www.loc.gov/mix/"
    xmlns:tcf="http://www.aes.org/tcf" xmlns:txt="http://www.loc.gov/METS/text/"
    xmlns:xlink="http://www.w3.org/TR/xlink" xsi:schemaLocation="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/
      http://dublincore.org/schemas/xmls/simpledc20021212.xsd">
    <file ID="F1" MIMETYPE="image/jpeg" SEQ="1" SIZE="194914" ADMID="T1"
      CHECKSUM="a7969810684c468525313b8282501405" CHECKSUMTYPE="MD5"
      OWNERID="aiht/websites/chnm/september11/REPOSITORY/CONTRIBUTORS/1199_photos/
        wtc_web/wetc5.jpg">
      <FLocat LOCTYPE="URL" xlink:type="simple"
        xlink:href="file:///aiht/data/2004/12/17/0/122.jpg" />
    </file>
    <mix:mix>
    <mix:BasicImageParameters>
    <mix:Format>
      <mix:MIMETYPE>image/jpeg</mix:MIMETYPE>
    </mix:Format>
    <mix:Compression>
      <mix:CompressionType>6</mix:CompressionType>
    </mix:Compression>
    <mix:PhotometricInterpretation>
      <mix:ColorSpace>6</mix:ColorSpace>
    </mix:PhotometricInterpretation>
    <mix:File>
      <mix:Orientation>1</mix:Orientation>
    </mix:File>
    </mix:BasicImageParameters>
    <mix:ImageCreation>
    <mix:DigitalCameraCapture>
      <mix:DigitalCameraModel>Canon Canon EOS D30</mix:DigitalCameraModel>
    </mix:DigitalCameraCapture>
    </mix:ImageCreation>
    <mix:ImagingPerformanceAssessment>
    <mix:SpatialMetrics>
      <mix:SamplingFrequencyUnit>2</mix:SamplingFrequencyUnit>
      <mix:ImageWidth>540</mix:ImageWidth>
      <mix:ImageLength>360</mix:ImageLength>
    </mix:SpatialMetrics>
    <mix:Energetics>
      <mix:BitsPerSample>8 8 8</mix:BitsPerSample>
    </mix:Energetics>
    </mix:ImagingPerformanceAssessment>
    </mix:mix>
  </dc:description>
</didl:Statement>
</didl:Descriptor>
```

# “In Vivo” Preservation

- As part of the ingest process, we looked for copies of the ingested web page in the “living web”
  - Idea: find all replicated / similar pages and maintain pointers to them
  - Problem: We could find related documents, but finding copies was difficult
    - Term Frequency (TF) – easy to compute
    - Inverse Document Frequency (IDF) – difficult to compute
    - Solution: lexical signatures, Phelps & Wilensky:
      - <http://www.dlib.org/dlib/july00/wilensky/07wilensky.html>
  - Spinoff research:
    - Terry Harrison’s MS thesis
    - Frank McCown’s Ph.D. dissertation
    - Joan Smith’s Ph.D. dissertation
    - NSF proposal on “in vivo” preservation

# The DIP is the TMD\*

- Using METS or MPEG-21, there is no need for a separate transfer metadata format
- METS & MPEG-21 can be the lumps of XML exchanged between harvesters & repositories
  - <http://www.dlib.org/dlib/december04/vandesompel/12vandesompel.html>
- Web servers can be made to automatically expose their contents via OAI-PMH
  - <http://www.modoi.org/>

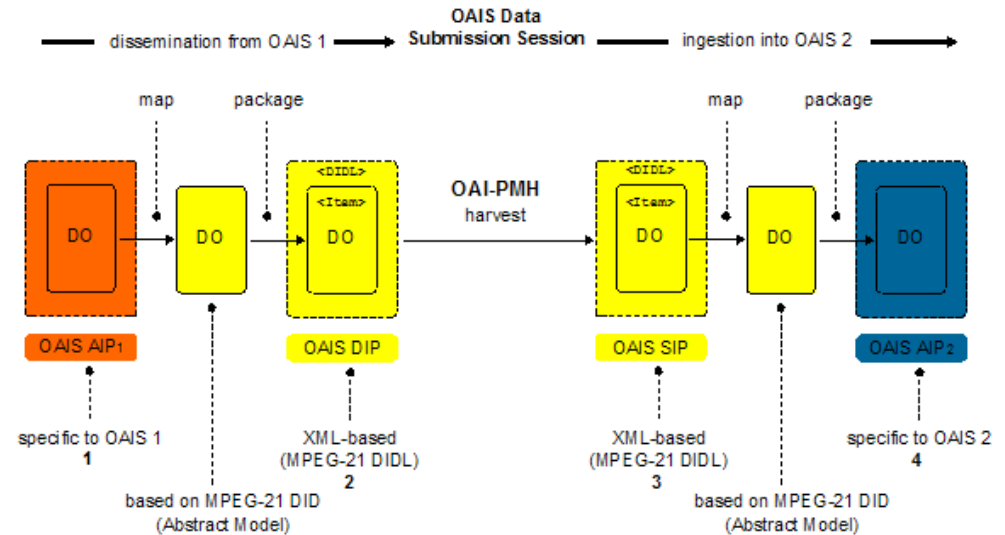


Figure 1, Bekaert & Van de Sompel  
<http://www.dlib.org/dlib/june05/bekaert/06bekaert.html>