

Building a large-scale preservation repository based on aDORe

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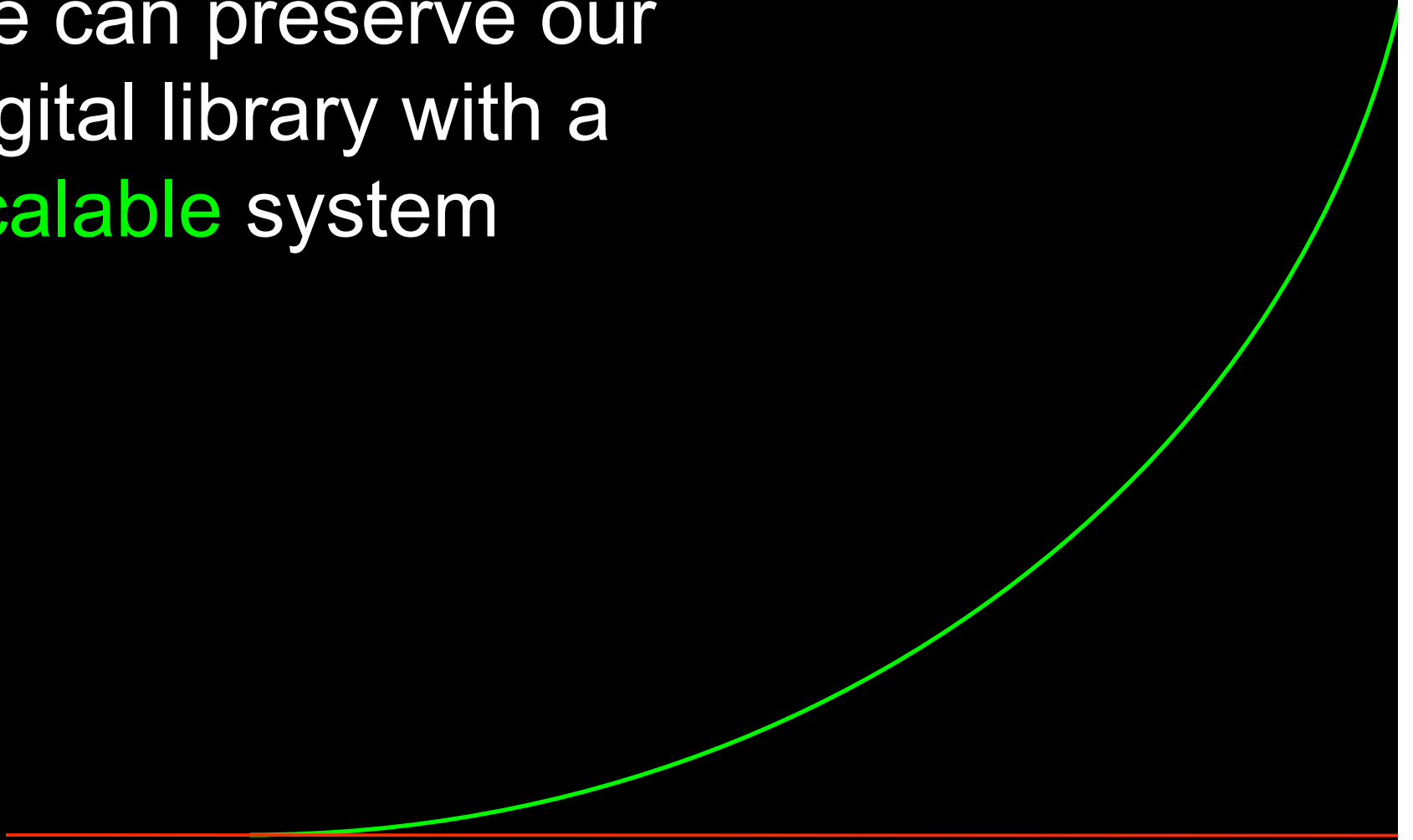
Cornell University Library
needs to preserve
many terabytes of digital assets

anyone building a **large OAIS** faces
problems on a **new scale**

we risk the loss of expensive
assets if we manage millions
of files poorly

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we can preserve our
digital library with a
scalable system



a standards-based system backed
by **aDORe** will do the job



1 book

A 3D rendering of a red book, viewed from a three-quarter angle. The book is closed, showing the front cover and the edges of the pages. The cover is a solid, vibrant red. The pages are white and appear slightly aged or off-white. The text "1 book" is printed in a clean, white, sans-serif font on the front cover. The background is a solid black, which makes the red book stand out prominently.



1600



1 file

(1 pixel)

about 1 million files

(625 books)

how can we manage so many files?

we can bundle them
in an aDORe archive

a METS **wrapper** describes and transports the digital object

storing the metadata



the
XMLtape

storing the datastreams



the
ARCfile

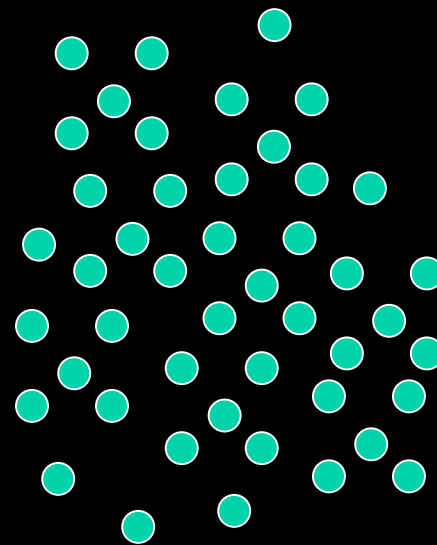
how can we retrieve the files?

with OAI and
OpenURL requests

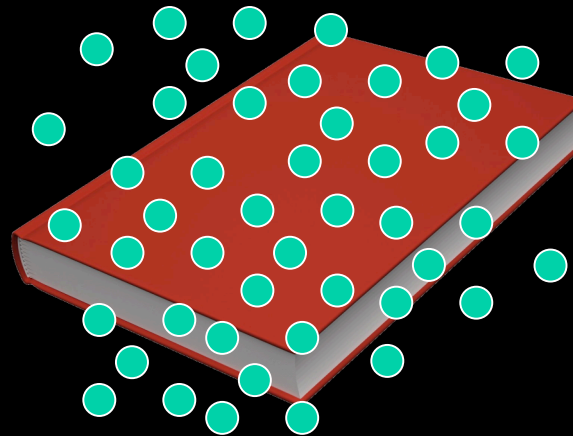
retrieving the metadata

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retrieving individual files



reconstituting the original complex
object



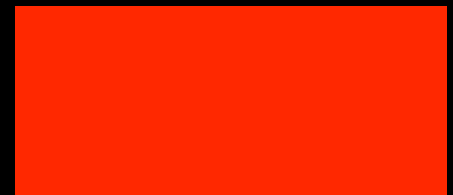
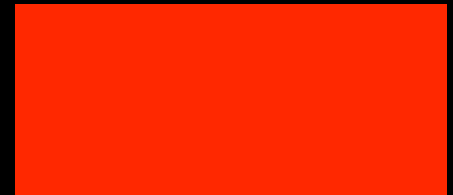
how does the system grow?

by **federating**
multiple
repositories

the aDORe federation software
presents a façade

discovery
and access

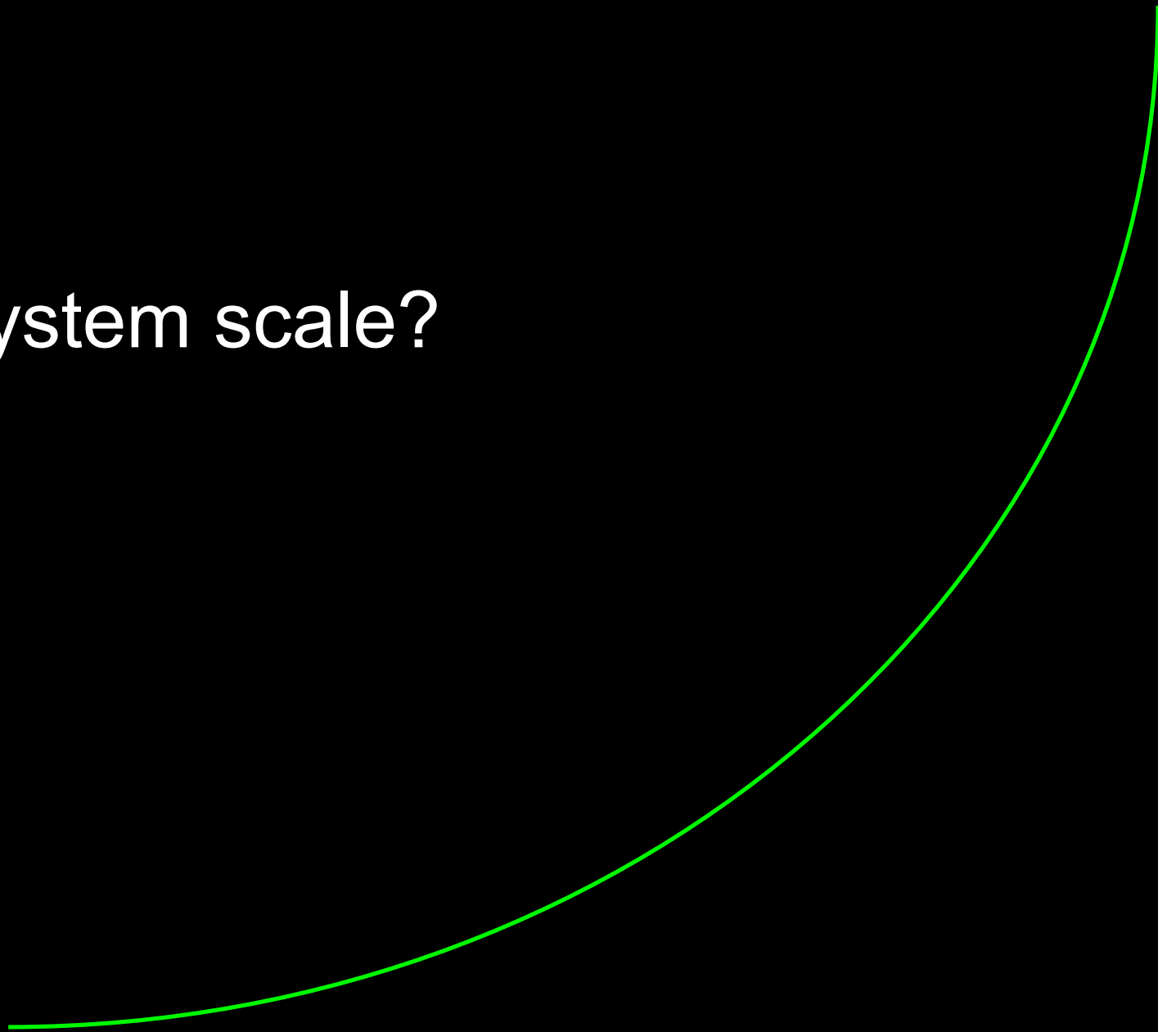
a simple data model for **all**
repositories



finding anything

everything is a
web resource

will the system scale?



we risk the loss of our assets,
our time,
our money,
our reputations,
our self-esteem...

a set of federated aDORe archives
will allow our system to grow huge

the aDORe Federation architecture

a façade
that federates
all repositories?

aDORe at CUL:

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aDORe at LANL:

[http://african.lanl.gov/aDORe/projects/
adoreArchive/](http://african.lanl.gov/aDORe/projects/adoreArchive/)

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adoreFederation/](http://african.lanl.gov/aDORe/projects/adoreFederation/)