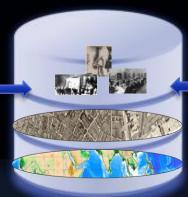
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The Backend Story of Managing Geospatial Information

Toward an Easy Discovery



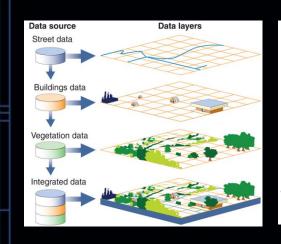


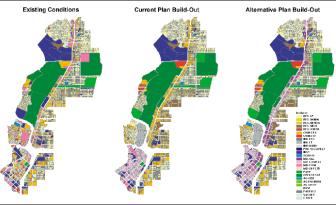


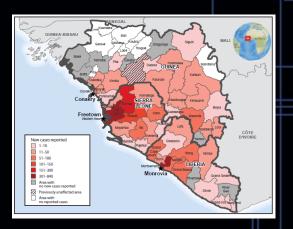
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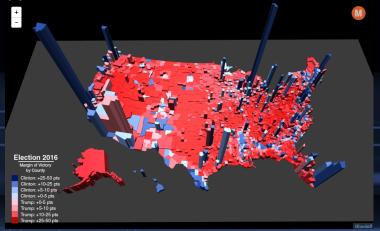
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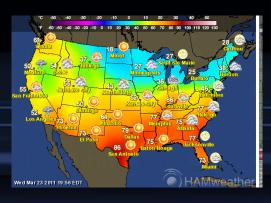
Geospatial data are used across disciplines













Geospatial Data in Libraries





Digital Maps



Public Domain Data

Maps





Research Data



Scanned Historical Maps

Proprietary Data

Geodata Portal

 Geodata portal is a discovery layer which allows users to search various geospatial data, and access the information by:

a web map + data downloading

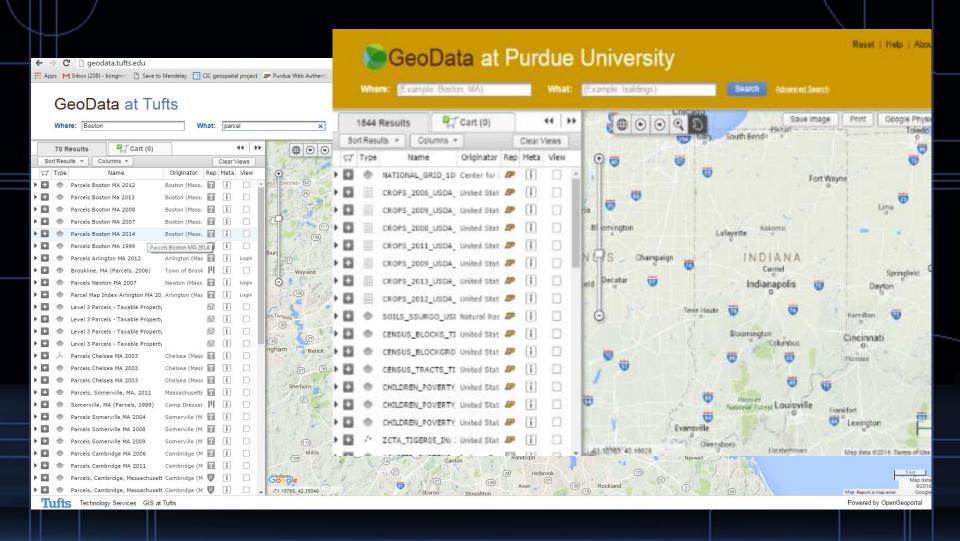


Geodata Portal in Libraries

Existing efforts:

- Different data providing organizations have their own data portal.
- From the library's world:
 - OpenGeoportal
 - GeoBlacklight

Open Geoportal Interface



GeoBlackLight Interface



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geospatial records.

Geoportal Bookmarks (0) Search. Find Maps and Data The Big Ten Academic Alliance Geoportal provides discoverability and facilitates access to geospatial resources. The resources in the portal are selected and curated by librarians and geospatial specialists at nine research institutions in the Big Ten Academic Alliance. The resources include GIS datasets, web services, and digitized historical maps.



Institution

Harvard, Stanford, Tufts, Columbia, Minnesota, MIT, MassGIS, Berkeley, UCLA more »



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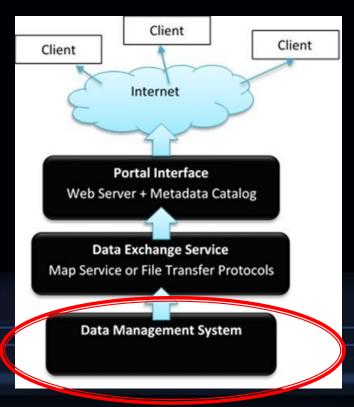
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Challenges of Building A Portal

- Choose and create the cyberinfrastructure
 Software + Hardware
- Organize geospatial metadata
- Manage library's datasets
- Interface design and usability

Research Question

How to manage the ever increasing datasets in the library's environment?



Study Methods

- Project review data management portion or the existing project
 - Non-library setting
 - Academic library approaches
- Metadata review records shared by Open Geoportal community

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Data Management Design

Needs assessment

- Data properties
 - Data formats, data organization, metadata schema, content standard, license agreement, update mechanism.
- Expected functions
 - Data download/visualization/mapping
- Long-term preservation
 - Data repository format registry, right management and contracts, metadata documentation, collection management

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Spatial Data Management Options

Various options to deliver data via Internet

- OGC (Open Geospatial Consortium) web services
- Spatial DBMS (Database Management System)
 - Oracle 10g Spatial
 - Esri enterprise geodatabase
 - PostGIS
 - Other FOSS: MySQL spatial extension, SQLite
- Other: FTP, HTTP protocols.

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Solutions in Non-Library Projects

- File management system
 - Implemented by a metadata inventory
 - File could be accessed by FTP, ODBC, HTTP.
- Spatial DBMS
 - PostGIS + Geoserver
 - ➤ Esri ArcGIS Server + SQL database
- Data management system
 - > Fedora

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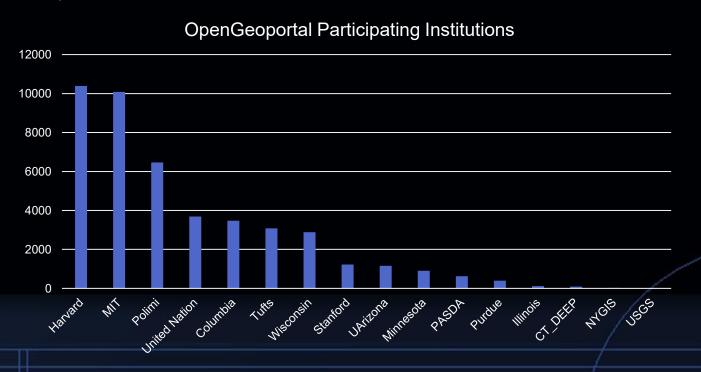
Solutions in Library Projects

- Spatial DBMS + OGC services
 - OpenGeoportal community
 - ➤ Or, direct data download
- Physical map collection can be integrated into geoportal
- Data repository
 - More choice of data formats, data management solutions.
 - GeoHydra

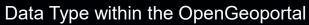
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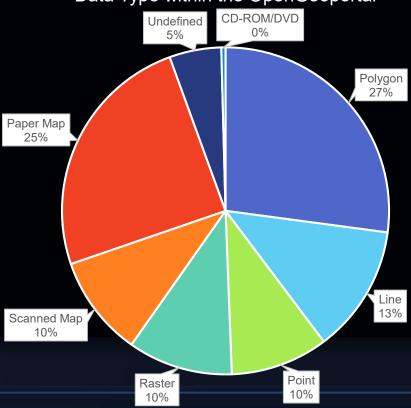
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- Metadata shared by OpenGeoportal community.
- 44,603 records with online link information.

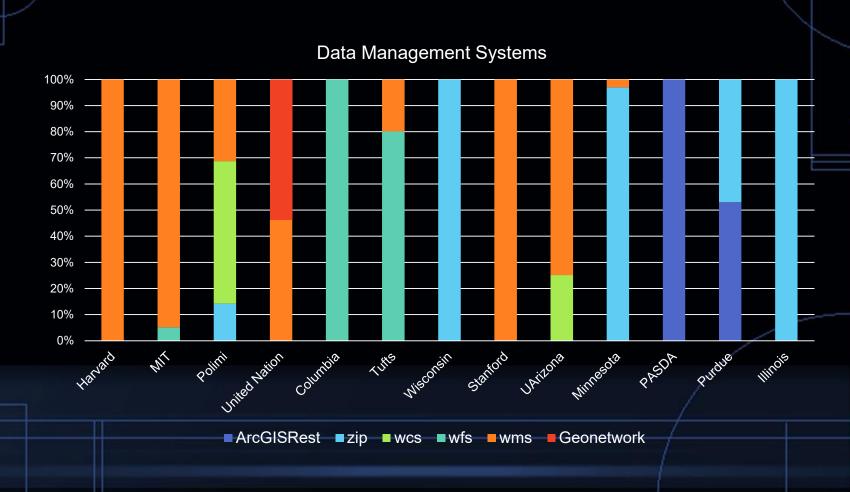


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Discussion

- A well-designed data management system along with good metadata practices are essential for academic libraries to manage the great variety of geospaital datasets.
- Not every library data repositories was designed for geospatial data.
- ➤ It will need a long-term discussion and effort between librarians in order to preserve geospaital datasets