



InterPlanetary Wayback

The Next Step Towards Decentralized Web Archiving

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`http://github.com/oduwsdl/ipwb`

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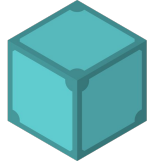


Protocol Labs

Content Addressing



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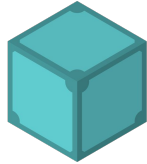
IPFS

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IPFS

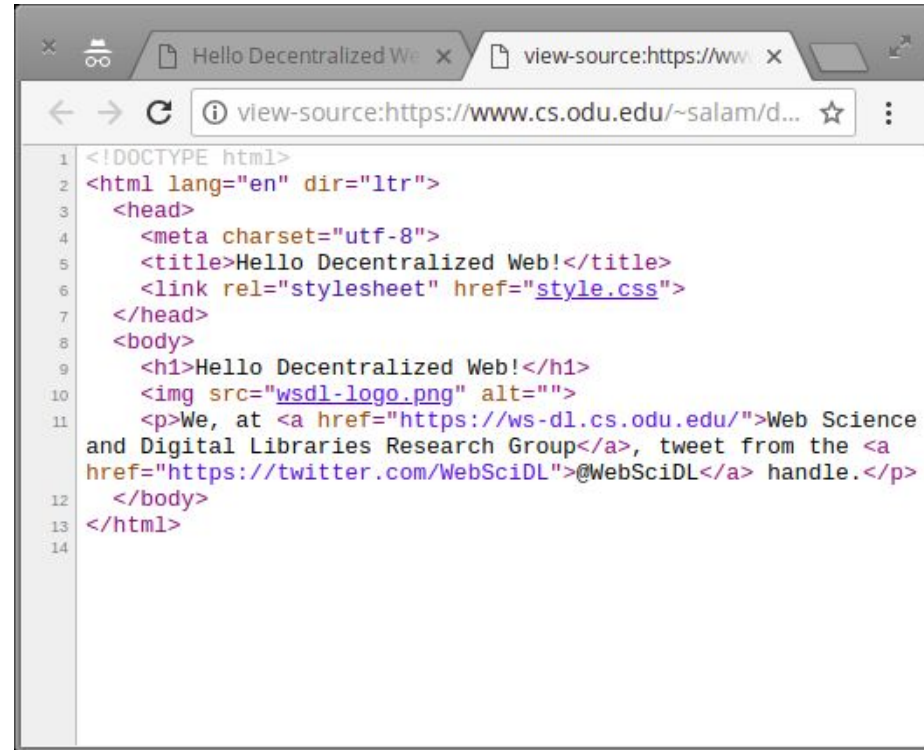
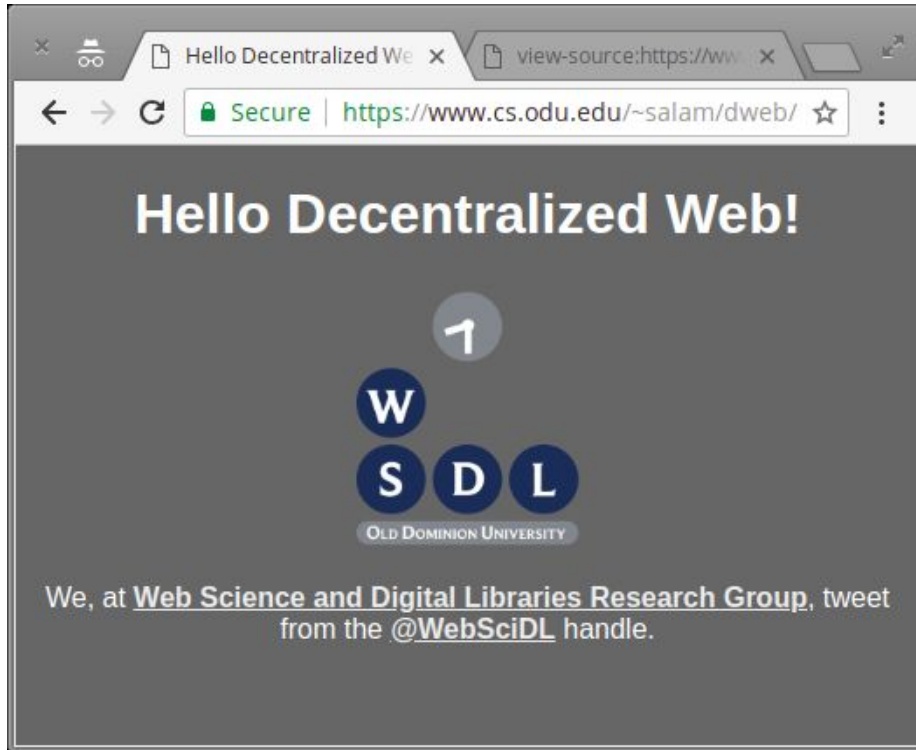
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\$ ipfs cat QmZAD4xeeNeYF3TmwWgBXypLKTiCGwGRMXHW7MtheWKtw4 > doge.jpg



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Rendered HTML vs. Source Code



HTTP Response vs. WARC Record

```
curl -i https://www.cs.odu.edu/~salam/dweb/ 63x25
$ curl -i https://www.cs.odu.edu/~salam/dweb/
HTTP/1.1 200 OK
Server: nginx
Date: Fri, 03 Aug 2018 19:56:33 GMT
Content-Type: text/html
Transfer-Encoding: chunked
Connection: keep-alive
Vary: Accept-Encoding
Front-End-Https: on

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WARC headers

HTTP headers

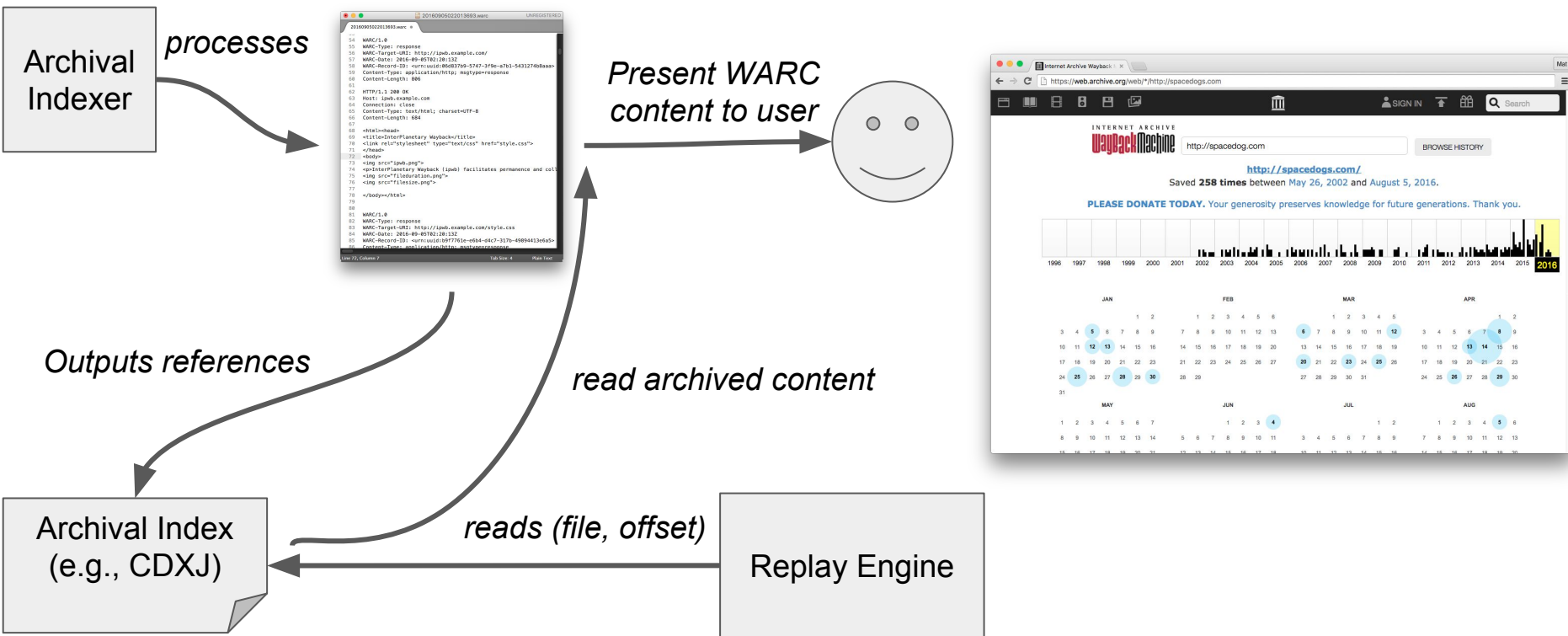
Payload

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WARC-Date: 2018-08-02T15:12:34Z
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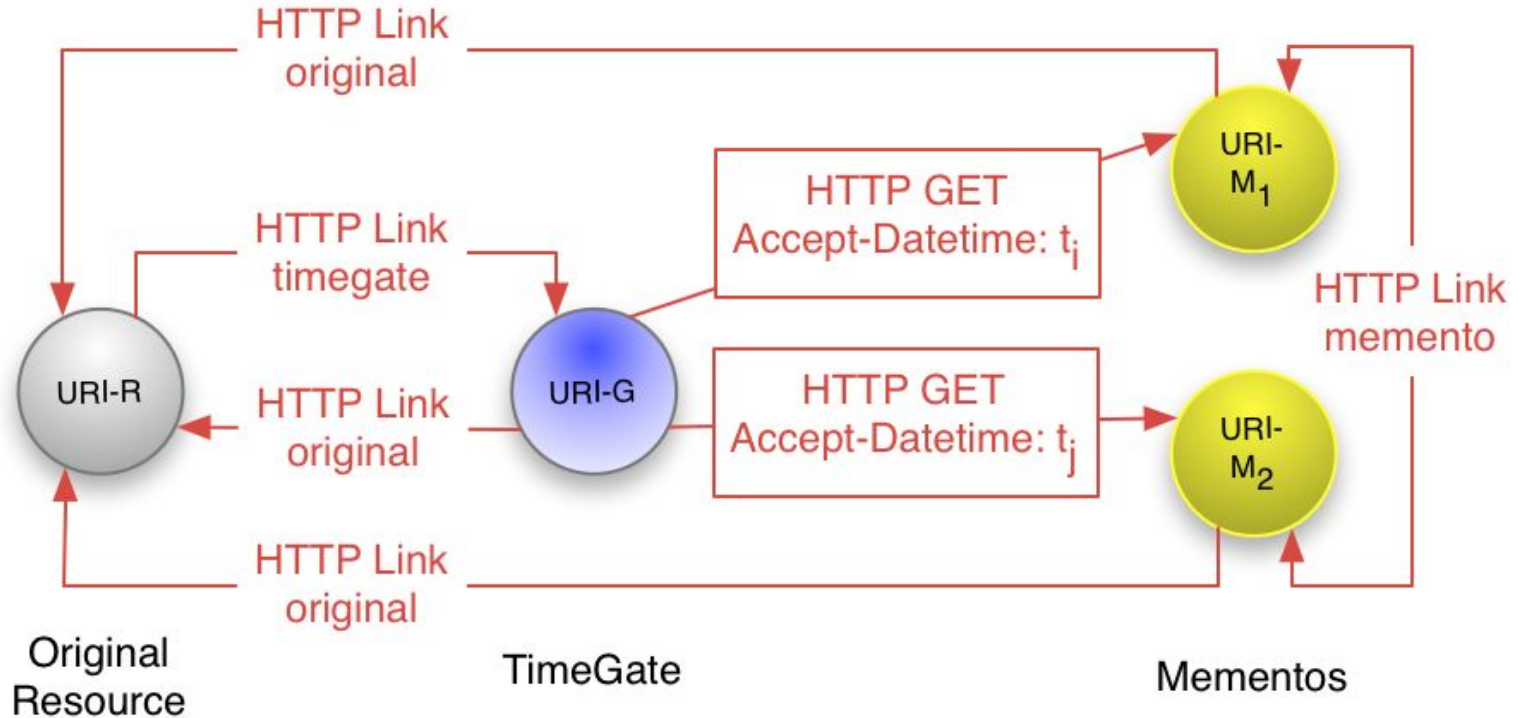
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How Wayback Machine Works?



Memento: Time Dimension to the Web

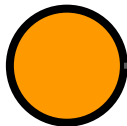


Why IPWB?

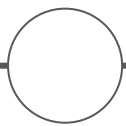


- Persistence of archived web dependent on resilience of organizations
- Availability of data is subject to censorship
- Redundancy in web archive files of exact duplicate content
- Lack of public participation in web archiving
- Discoverability issue of small web archives

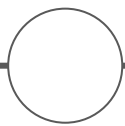
Indexing



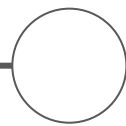
WARC Creation



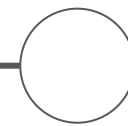
HTTP Header & Payload Extraction



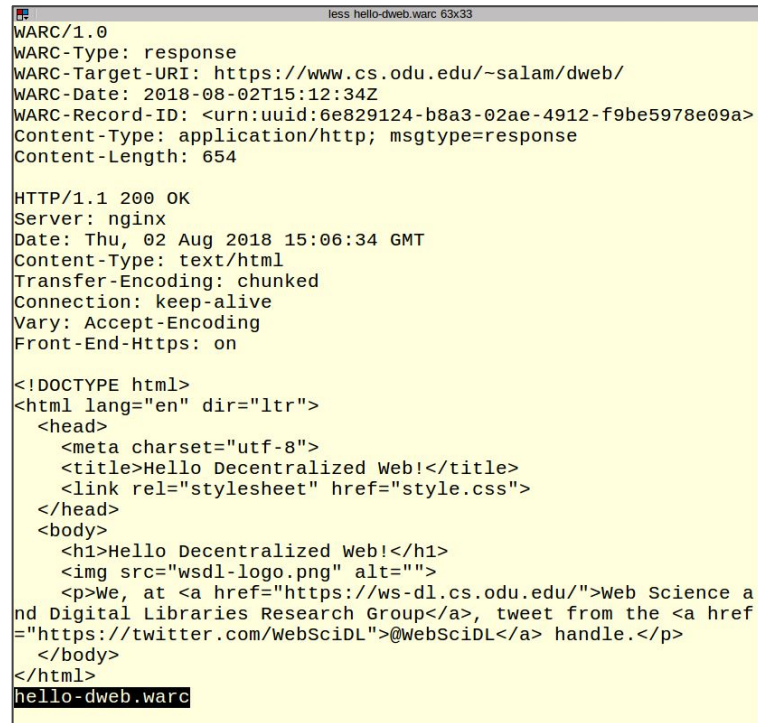
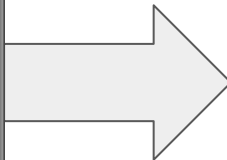
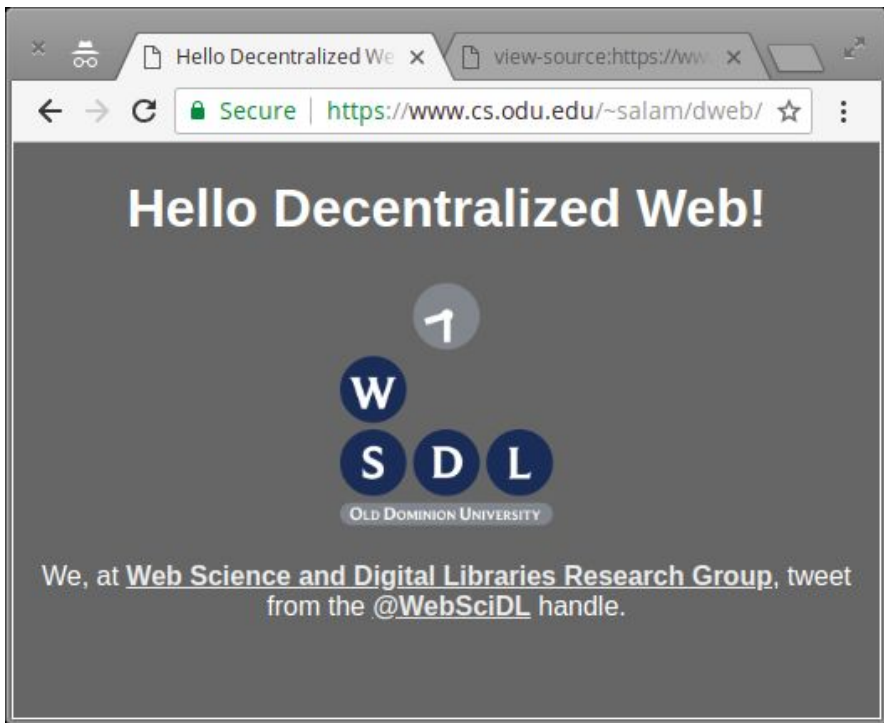
Push to IPFS

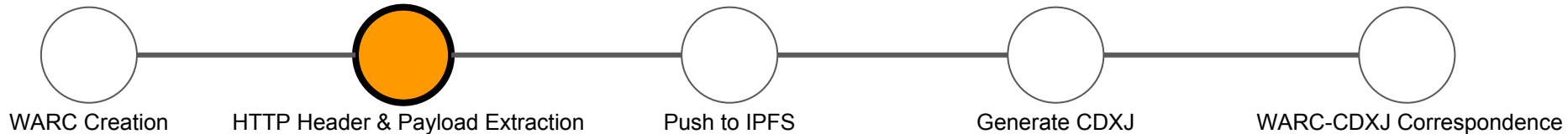


Generate CDXJ



WARC-CDXJ Correspondence





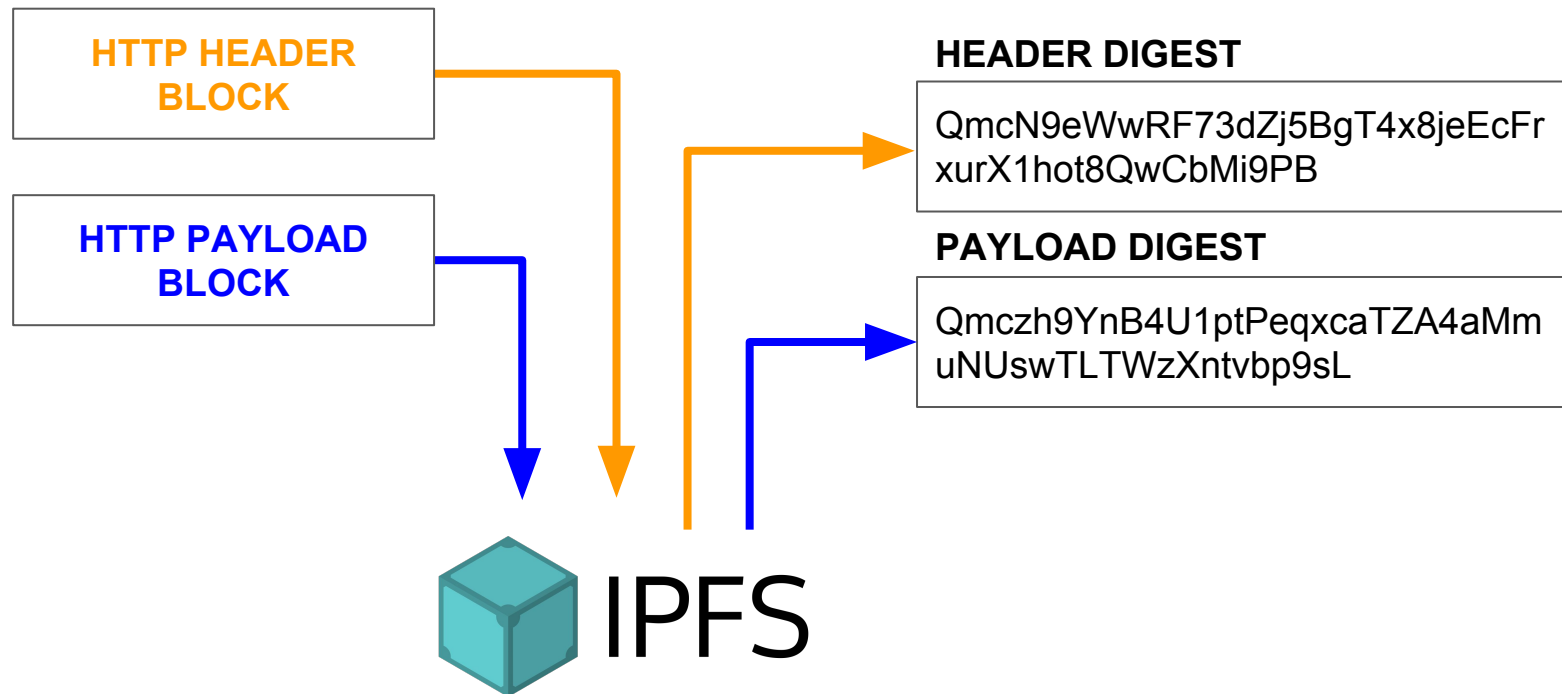
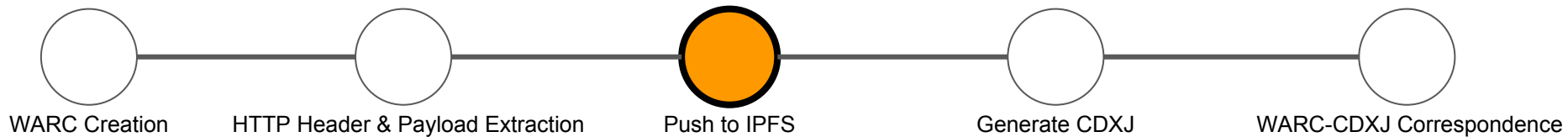
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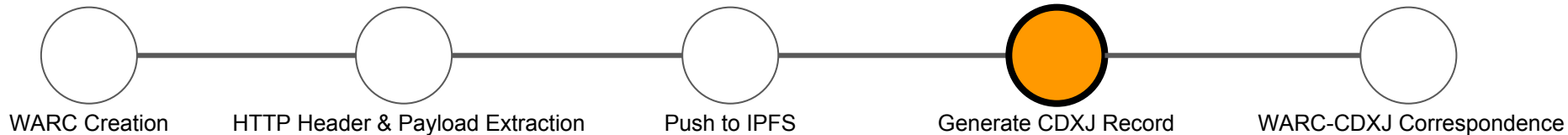
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**HTTP HEADER
BLOCK**

**HTTP PAYLOAD
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HEADER DIGEST

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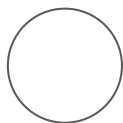
PAYLOAD DIGEST

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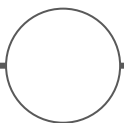
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  "status_code": 200,
  "other_fields": "other values..."
}
```

// * This is a single-line record, line breaks and indentation are added for readability only

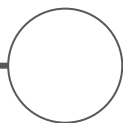
CDXJ: <http://ws-dl.blogspot.com/2015/09/2015-09-10-cdxj-object-resource-stream.html>



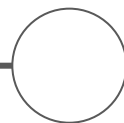
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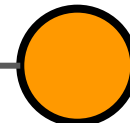
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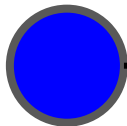
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9 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
10 Server: nginx
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12 Content-Type: text/html
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14 Connection: keep-alive
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16 Front-End-Https: on
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18 <!DOCTYPE html>
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22 <title>Hello Decentralized Web!</title>
23 <link rel="stylesheet" href="style.css">
24 </head>
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28 <p>wsdl, at cs href="https://www.cs.odu.edu/~Web Science and Digital
29 </body>
30 </html>
31
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33 WARC-Type: response
34 WARC-Target-URI: https://www.cs.odu.edu/~salam/dweb/style.css
35 WARC-Date: 2018-08-02T15:12:34Z
36 WARC-Record-ID: urn:uuid:dc4faeb2-0b6d-4209-a607-95c66683f384
37 Content-Type: application/http; msgtype=response
38 Content-Length: 423
39
40 HTTP/1.1 200 OK
41 Server: nginx
42 Date: Thu, 02 Aug 2018 15:12:34 GMT
43 Front-End-Https: on
44 Content-Type: text/css
45 Content-Length: 103
46 Last-Modified: Thu, 02 Aug 2018 15:06:10 GMT
47 ETag: "a1-57275260b6c80"
48 Accept-Ranges: bytes
49 Vary: Accept-Encoding
50
51 html {
52   background: #f0f0f0;
53   text-align: center;
54   color: #fff;
55   font-family: sans-serif;
56 }
57
58 img {
59   width: 150px;
60 }
61
62 a {
63   font-weight: bold;
64   color: #00a000;
65 }
```

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edu.odu.cs)/~salam/dweb/ 20180802012013 {
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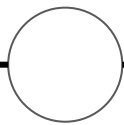
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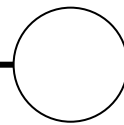
Replay



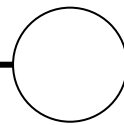
Lookup in CDXJ



Fetch from IPFS



Reconstruct Response



Reroute Resources

<https://www.cs.odu.edu/~salam/dweb/>

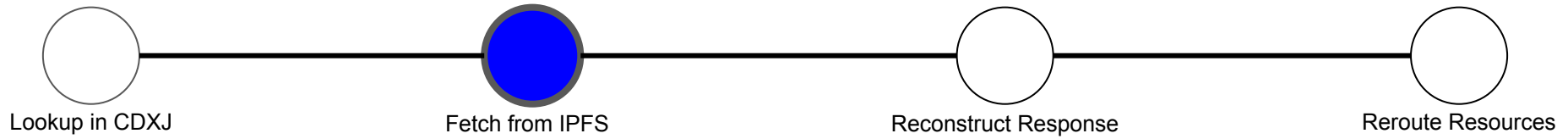
SEP

	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

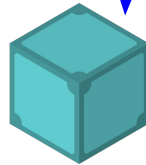
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}
```

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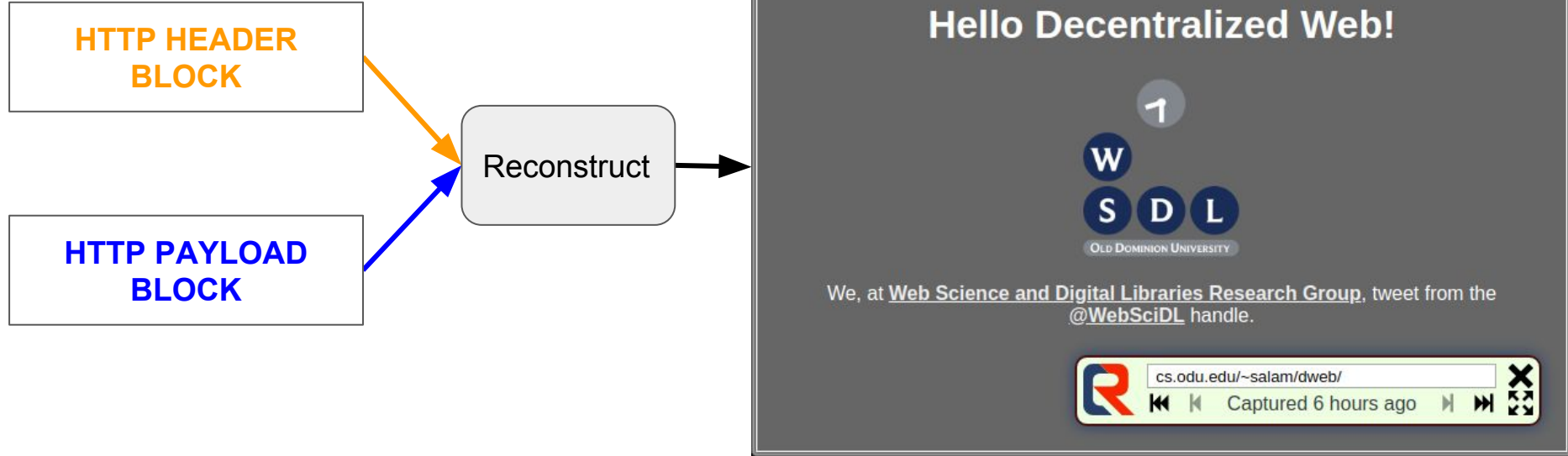
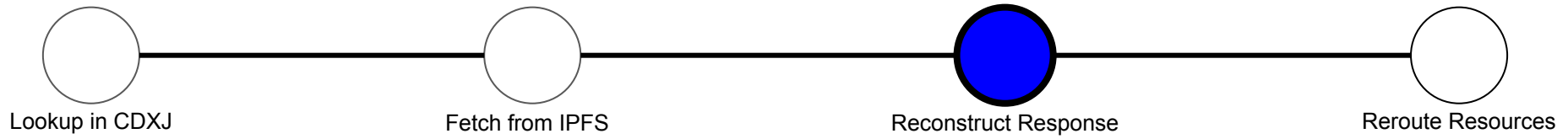
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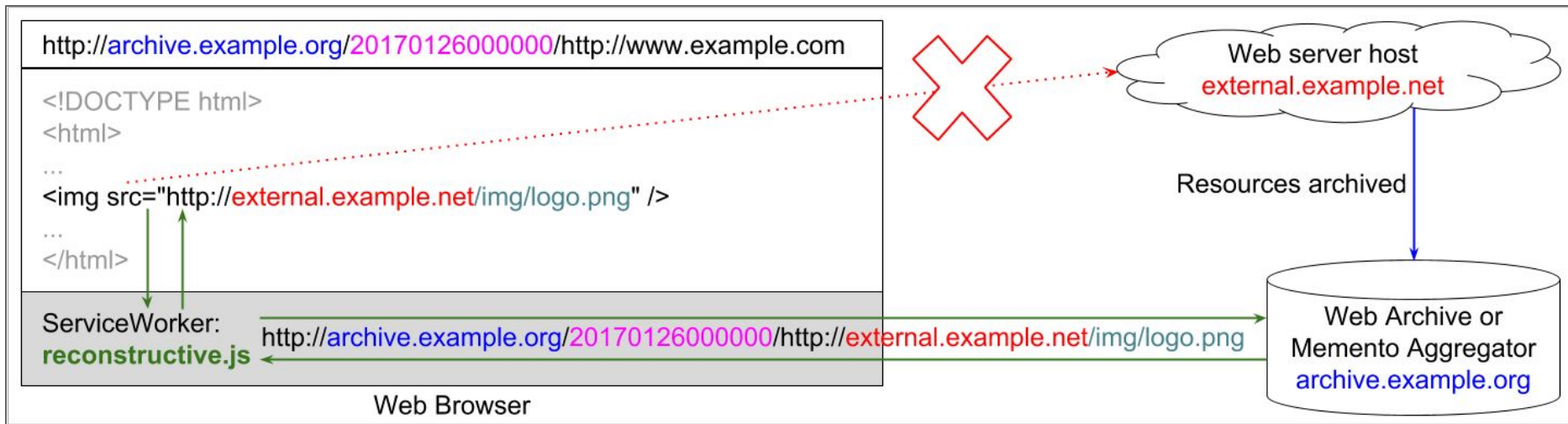
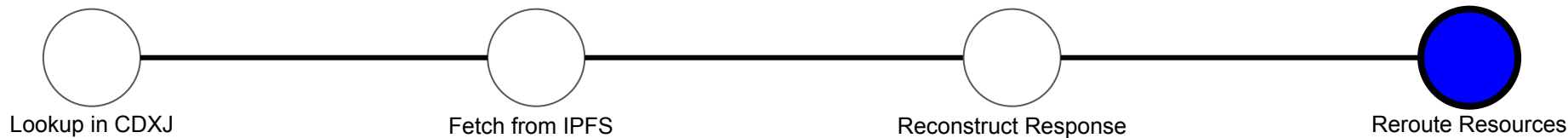


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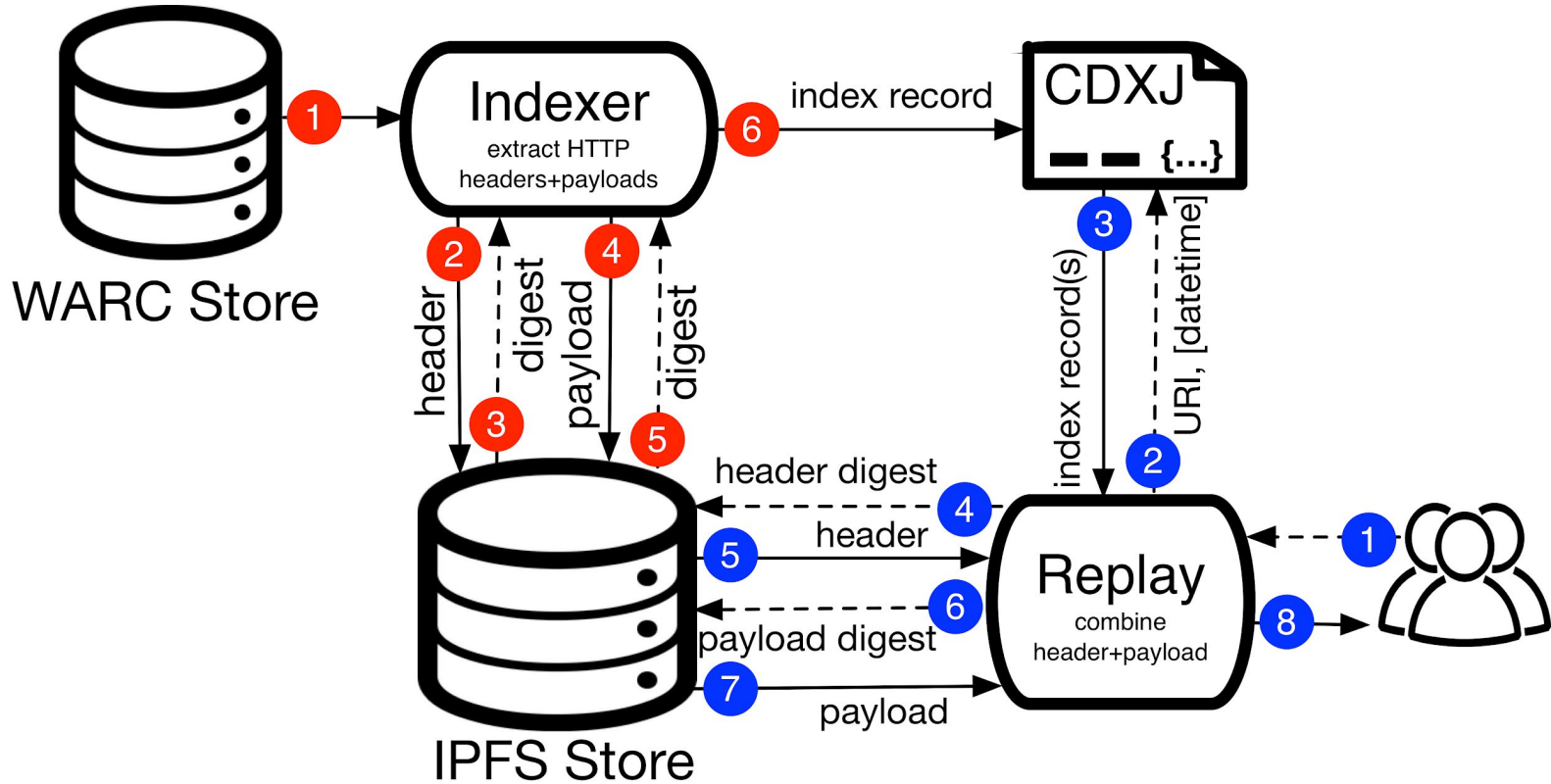


- Avoids zombies (live-leakage)
- Adds an unobtrusive archival banner (Custom HTML Element)

- <https://oduwsdl.github.io/Reconstructive/>
- <http://ws-dl.blogspot.com/2018/01/2018-01-08-introducing-reconstructive.html>

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IPWB Indexing and Replay



Decentralization

Current Issues

- IPFS is permanent, but not persistent
- DHT-based IPNS is history-unaware
- CDXJ index, a critical piece of replay, is centralized

Persistence

- Data persistence is critical for web archiving
- A decentralized storage with sufficient replication is needed
- Memory organizations should contribute storage infrastructure
- Qri, Filecoin, IPFS-Cluster, IPFS-Sync etc. can be helpful

IPNS: InterPlanetary Naming System

URI	IPFS Hash
http://example.org/yuri.jpg	QmZAD4xeeNeYF3TmwWgBXypLKTiCGwGRMXHW7MtheWktw4
http://example.com/style.css	QmbvUAo9U31wSdvARjvbPeVBTawCjN1kyPhQ4ho3n8TAZo
http://example.com/logo.png	QmYMKZbnk53kuPJirahJHGevCCy2afLyePRdX38TukFUwd

How about changes and history?



http://example.com/style.css	QmAAykNAehCjbn43wvUQUd1ovhTPjRo39VvoT8bSA1ZBwP
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IPNS Blockchain

- URI → Latest hash
- URI + DateTime → A historical hash
- URI → List historical hashes with times

IPNS + Blockchain + Memento

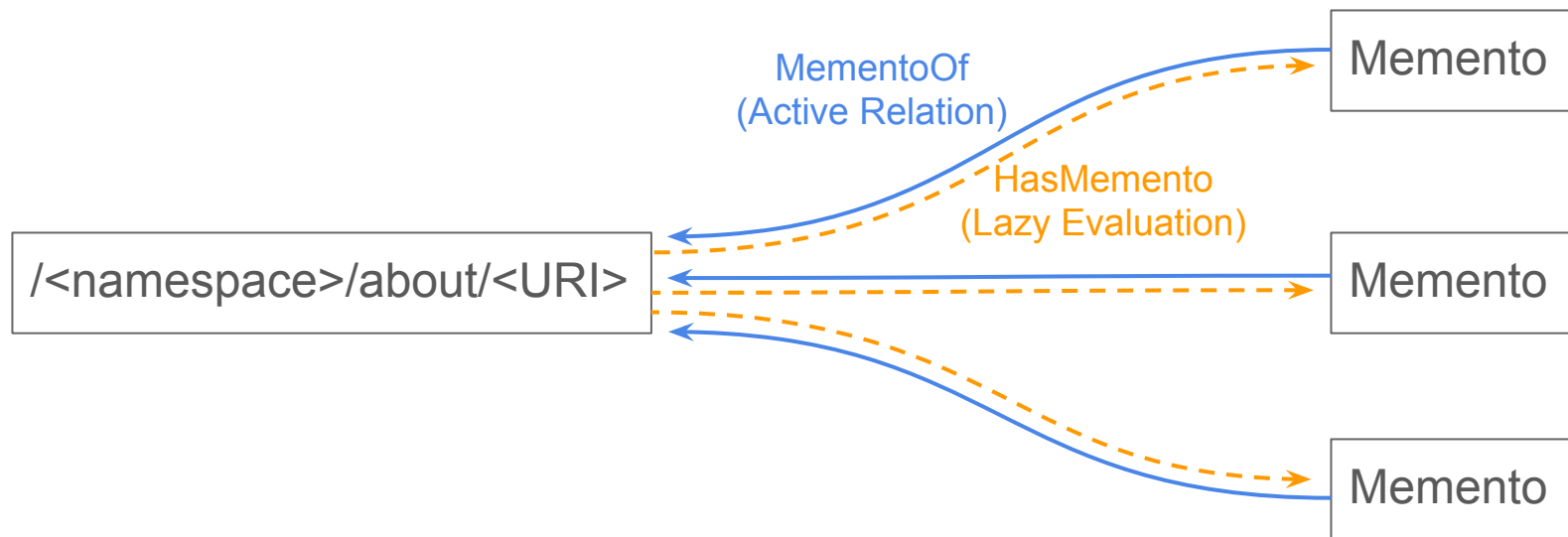
<https://github.com/oduwsdl/IPNS-Blockchain>

Owner	URI	Time	Hash	PrevBlock
Pub K ₁	URI ₁	T ₁	H ₁	1234567...
Pub K ₂	URI ₂	T ₂	H ₂	0000000...
Pub K ₃	URI ₃	T ₃	H ₃	9876543...



Owner	URI	Time	Hash	PrevBlock
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Pub K ₃	URI ₄	T ₅	H ₆	0000000...

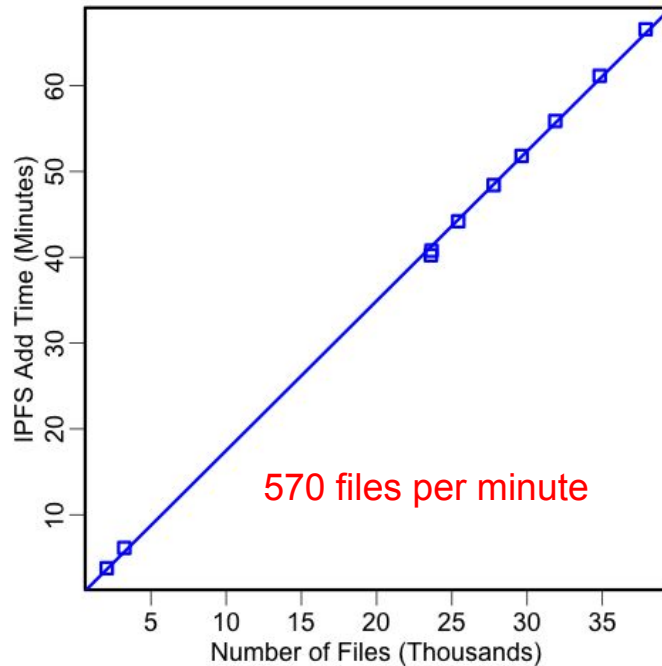
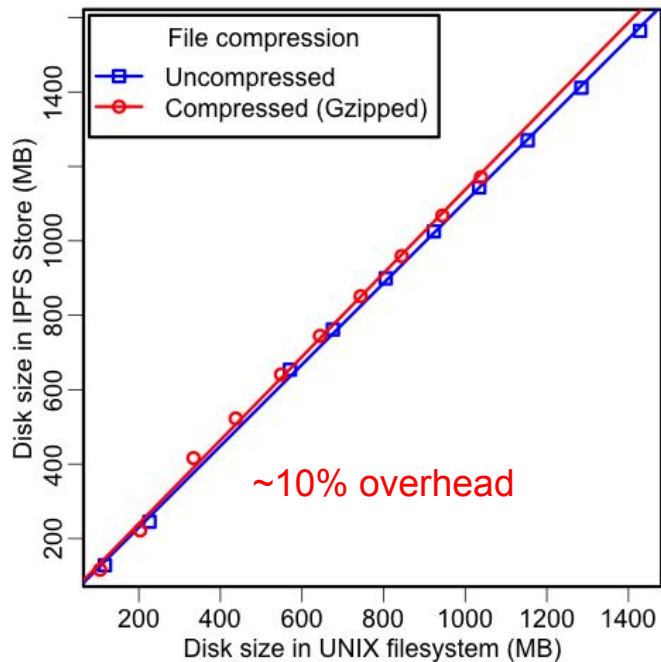
Lazy Relationship Evaluation



IP-LD to the rescue?

Evaluation

Storage Space and Time Overhead



- Reported IPFS slowness <https://github.com/ipfs/go-ipfs/issues/1216>
 - Has since been fixed, but we did not evaluate again

Replay Time

- 600 requests in 222 seconds
- Slower than PyWB (which took 5.26 seconds)
- File vs. rich object based retrieval
- Never expiring cache

<https://github.com/ibnesayeed/ipfsapi-concurrency-test>

Future Works

- Evaluate the improved IPFS on large dataset
- Evaluate deduplication
- Implement an index-free collaborative archiving system
- Utilize IPNS to reference URI-Rs with datetime

Conclusions

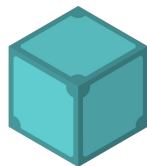
- A proof of concept system to leverage a novel approach to archiving and retrieval
- Storage and time costs evaluation and qualitative analysis
- It can only work for small archives in its current state
- A path to answer “who will archive the archives?”
- More work to be done to make it a truly decentralized archiving system



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