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Part I: History / Context

trusted repositories?

- University Libraries / Reuther Library relationship
- Parallel systems
- Impact on development cycle



"union" archives

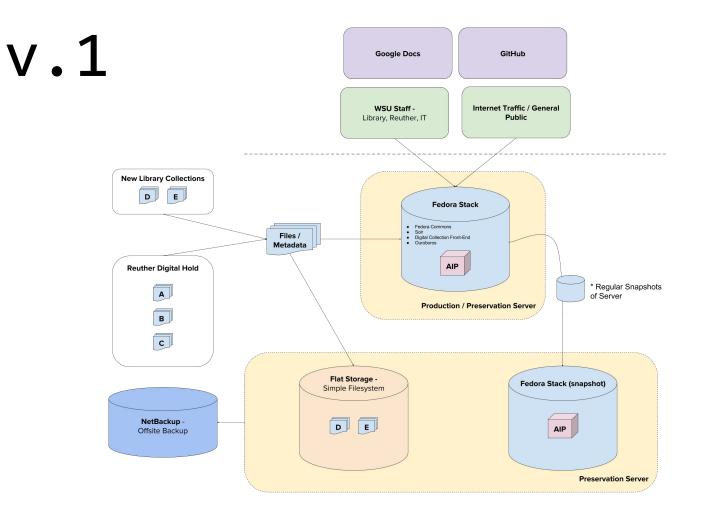
- Times change
- Sharing systems
- Impact on development cycle



Part II: Distributed Infrastructure for Preservation

"Here are 60TB of collections for your trustworthy digital object repository."

love, the archives



sketch a new infrastructure

What does "Trustworthy" digital preservation infrastructure include?

Research...discuss...research...discuss...

Sketch out theoretical arrangement...

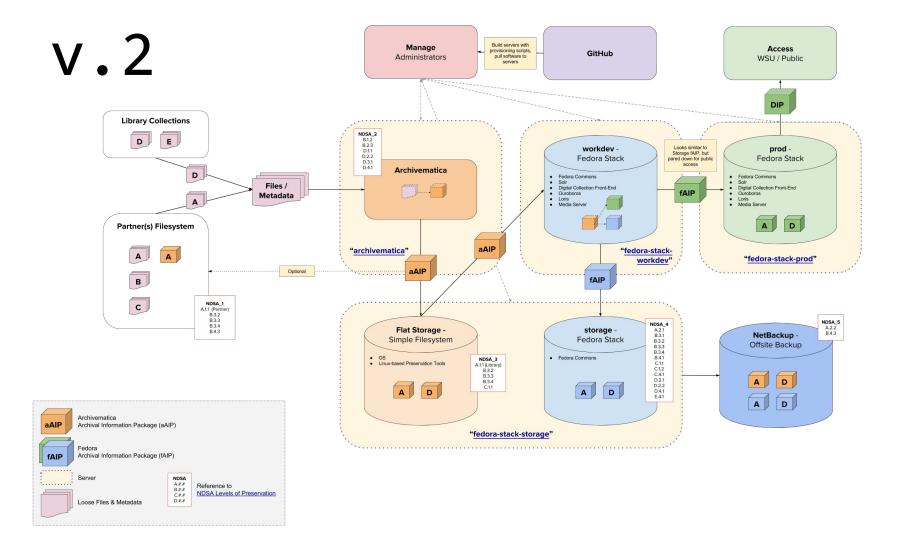
we were going to need more servers...

- storage redundancy
- separation of concerns
 - development / production
 - storage / access
- focused on

National Digital Stewardship Alliance (NDSA) Levels of Preservation

> "NICHOLS, MR. & MRS. IVAN; HILLSDALE COUNTY. PARENTS OF TRIPLETS & THREE SETS OF TWINS."





create working prototype

- need a working, moving prototype
 - primary change was multiple servers
 - simulating multiple servers interacting was critical to dev.
 - inspire confidence in ourselves and others
- 80 / 20 rule
 - 80% would be straight-forward, take 20% of our time
 - 20% reveal unforeseen complexity, require unknown time



Part III: Server Swarm on a Budget with Vagrant



making infrastructure a reality



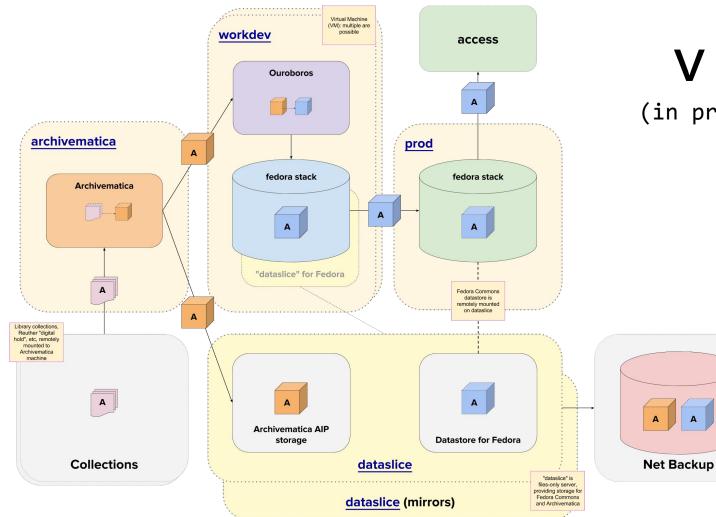
getting things done with very little

Processed 1.5TB collection

With small Virtual Machines running on our local Mac Desktops

VMs had 3GB of Memory/40GB hard drives

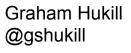




V.3 (in progress)

questions?

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