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Arguments against Open Access

- ❑ Expose our poor quality research.
- ❑ More work – duplication of effort.
- ❑ Open Access is not proven beyond a doubt to be better.
- ❑ High quality comes from journals – why waste time with low quality online documents?
- ❑ Paper will last longer.
- ❑ Not everyone is doing it.
- ❑ The system is working already!



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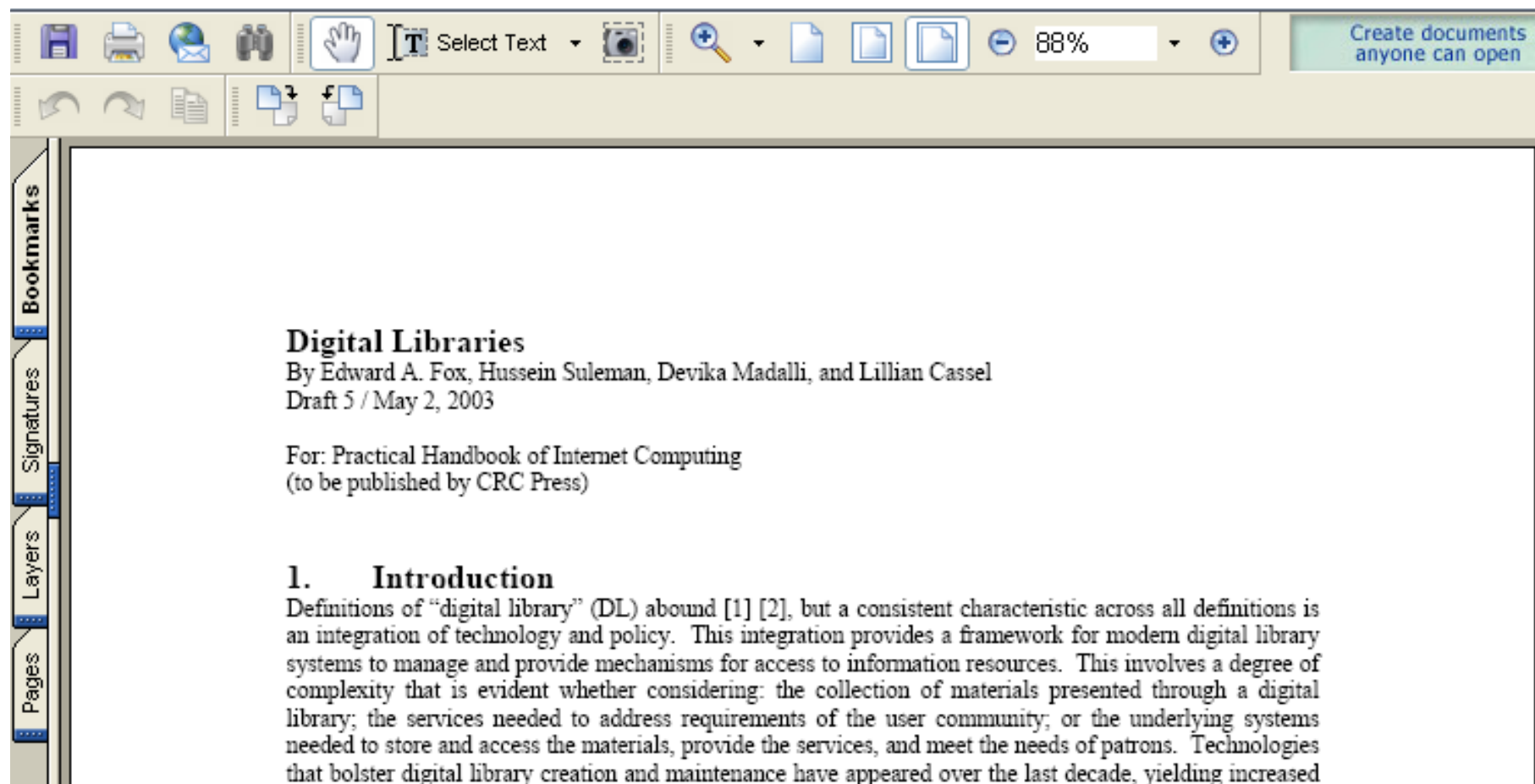
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Digital Libraries
By Edward A. Fox, Hussein Suleman, Devika Madalli, and Lillian Cassel
Draft 5 / May 2, 2003

For: Practical Handbook of Internet Computing
(to be published by CRC Press)

1. Introduction
Definitions of “digital library” (DL) abound [1] [2], but a consistent characteristic across all definitions is an integration of technology and policy. This integration provides a framework for modern digital library systems to manage and provide mechanisms for access to information resources. This involves a degree of complexity that is evident whether considering: the collection of materials presented through a digital library; the services needed to address requirements of the user community; or the underlying systems needed to store and access the materials, provide the services, and meet the needs of patrons. Technologies that bolster digital library creation and maintenance have appeared over the last decade, yielding increased



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H Suleman... - *Journal of Library Administration*, 2002 - Taylor & Francis

Summary The Open Archives Initiative (OAI) is dedicated to solving problems of digital library interoperability. Its focus has been on defining simple protocols, most recently for the exchange of metadata from archives. The OAI evolved out of a need to increase access to ...

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H Suleman - *Proceedings of the 2008 annual research conference ...*, 2008 - dl.acm.org

Abstract Large student numbers often drive teaching staff to consider greater degrees of automation of assessment activities. In introductory Computer Science classes-where submitted programs need to repeatedly be compiled, executed and tested-automation is ...

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[Digital libraries without databases: The bleek and lloyd collection](#)

H Suleman - *Research and Advanced Technology for Digital ...*, 2007 - Springer

Digital library systems are frequently defined with a focus on data collections, traditionally implemented as databases. However, when preservation and widespread access are most critical, some curators are considering how best to build digital library systems without ...

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H Suleman, EA Fox, R Kelapure... - *Online Information ...*, 2003 - emeraldinsight.com

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H Suleman... - *Library Hi Tech*, 2003 - emeraldinsight.com

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Metadata harvesting has become a common technique to transfer a stream of data from one metadata repository or digital library system to another. As collections of metadata, and their associated digital objects, grow in size, the ingest of these items at the destination archive can take a significant amount of time, depending on the type of indexing or post-...

Conference: [International Conference on Asian Digital Libraries - ICADL](#), pp. 81-90, 2006

[Reflections on Three Years of Archiving Research Output](#) View...

Hussein Suleman

While "Open Access" and "institutional repositories" have received some attention in South Africa in recent years, very few tertiary institutions and departments have made a commitment to opening up access to their research. The Department of Computer Science at UCT was one of the first departments in the country to adopt the notion of an institutional repository, albeit localized, because ...

Published in 2006.

[Flexing Digital Library Systems](#) (Citations: 3)

Hussein Suleman, Kevin Feng, Siyabonga Mhlongo, Muammar Omar

Digital library systems with monolithic architectures are rapidly facing extinction as the discipline adopts new practices in software engineering, such as component-based architectures and Web Services. Past projects have attempted to demonstrate and justify the use of components through the construction of systems such as NCSTRL and Schol-Net. This paper describes current work to push the ...

Conference: [International Conference on Asian Digital Libraries - ICADL](#), pp. 33-37, 2005

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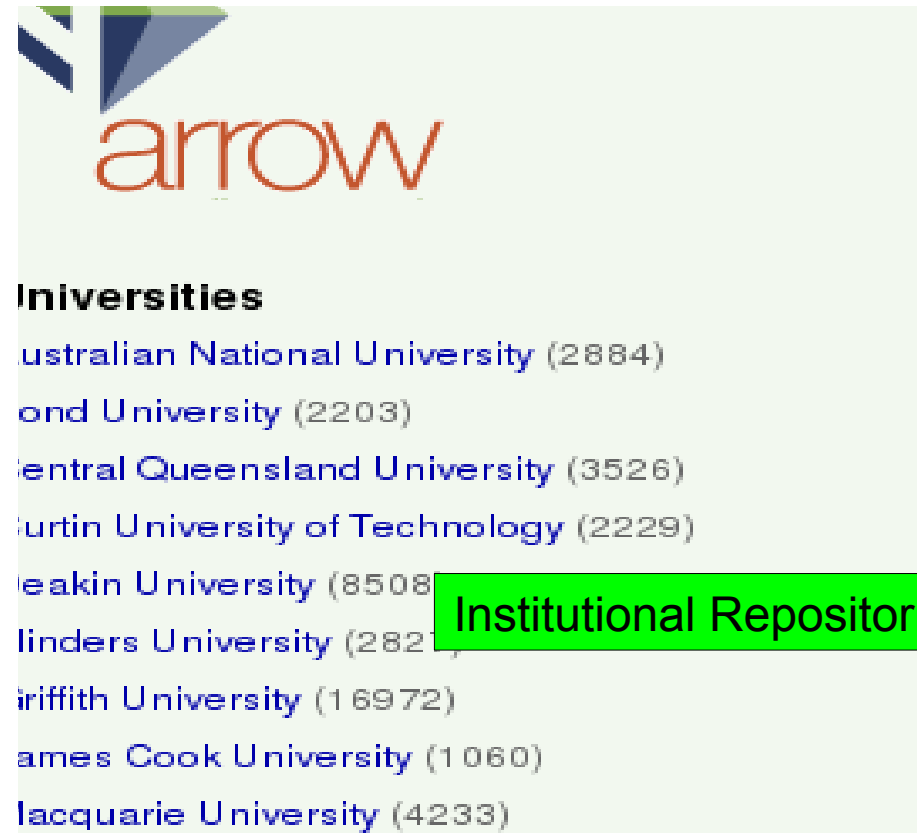
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- 3354 hits directly from Google in February 2009.
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 - <http://www.google.co.za/search?q=questionnaire+uml+sdl>
 - Kritzinger, Pieter, Marshini Chetty, Jesse Landman, Michael Marconi and Oksana Ryndina (2003) ChattaBox: A Case Study in Using UML and SDL for Engineering Concurrent Communicating Software Systems. In Proceedings Southern African Telecommunications Networks and Applications Conference, George, South Africa.



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The repository, launched today, is a one-stop-shop for most of the Bank's research outputs and knowledge products, providing free and unrestricted access to students, libraries, government officials and anyone interested in the Bank's knowledge. Additional material, including foreign language editions and links to datasets, will be added in the coming year.

And, in a bid to promote knowledge-sharing around the world, the Bank has become the first major international organization to require open access under copyright licensing from [Creative Commons](#)—a non-profit organization whose copyright licenses are designed to accommodate the expanded access to information afforded by the Internet.

The repository and Creative Commons licenses are part of a new [open access policy](#) that takes effect on July 1 and will be phased in over the next year. The policy formalizes the Bank's practice of making research outputs and knowledge products freely available online, but now much of that content can be shared and reused freely, if the Bank is credited for the original work.

In addition, the author versions of articles published by commercial publishers and currently available only to journal subscribers will be made freely available via the public repository after embargo periods elapse, though their reuse will be more restricted than [previously published material](#). Articles from 2007-2010 that were not in

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MIT faculty open access to their scholarly articles

March 20, 2009

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., March 20 - In a move aimed at broadening access to MIT's research and scholarship, faculty at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology have voted to make their scholarly articles available to the public for free and open access on the Web.

The new policy, which was approved unanimously at an MIT faculty meeting on Wednesday, March 18 and took immediate effect, emphasizes MIT's commitment to disseminating the fruits of its research and scholarship as widely as possible.

"The vote is a signal to the world that we speak in a unified voice; that what we value is the free flow of ideas," said Bish Sanyal, chair of the MIT Faculty and the Ford International Professor of Urban Development and Planning.

Under the new policy, faculty authors give MIT nonexclusive permission to disseminate their journal articles for open access through DSpace, an open-source software platform developed by the MIT Libraries and Hewlett-Packard and launched in 2002. The policy gives MIT and its

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CRANFIELD	22
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Boston College	509
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PRESS RELEASE: Academy leads the way in Open Access publishing
Unlocking peer-reviewed scholarly works to the benefit of science -
[March 2009]

The Academy of Science of South Africa (ASSAf) is leading the establishment of an Open Access platform for high-quality South African scholarly journals. The plan is supported and funded by Department of Science and Technology.

Led by the Academy's Scholarly Publishing initiative, the proposed platform will enable users worldwide to access a wide range of the top peer-reviewed South African academic journals in full on the internet at no cost. The project is led by Susan Veldsman, a specialist in the field of Open Access, who has been newly appointed as Director of the Scholarly Publishing Unit. She has been working in the information science sector for over twenty years, with a focus on Open Access journals. She has previously been the project coordinator of the South African Site Licensing Initiative and the project

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South African National ETD Project

- Collaboration between CHELSA and NRF
- Aims to get every tertiary institution to archive theses in near future.
- National portal for discovery of ETDs.
- Many institutions already have repositories:
 - Rhodes, Wits, Pretoria, SUN, UWC, DUT, Free State, UJ, UNISA, UNW
- NRF is supporting some institutions without capacity in the short term.
 - Fort Hare, Venda, MEDUNSA



South African National ETD Project

The screenshot shows the National ETD Portal website. The header includes the title "National ETD Portal" and "South African theses and dissertations", along with logos for NRF, National Research Foundation, and CHELSA. The main content area is divided into three sections: "Recent Submissions" with a list of five entries, "Collection Statistics" with a table of university counts, and a left sidebar with navigation and search options.

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1. Towards an understanding of affirmative action (AA)
Thu, 10 May 2012 10:00:40 UTC
2. Ambivalent aspects of the Goddess in selected examples of contemporary South African women???'s art
Thu, 10 May 2012 10:00:36 UTC
3. Modularity, repetition and material choices as strategies in the work of selected South African sculptors
Thu, 10 May 2012 10:00:36 UTC
4. A skills gap analysis of radiographers in management positions
Thu, 10 May 2012 10:00:36 UTC
5. An ecological risk assessment of pesticides using a probabilistic model and its implementation on the Crocodile and Magalies Rivers, South Africa
Thu, 10 May 2012 10:00:36 UTC

Collection Statistics

Collection	Total
Cape Peninsula University of Technology	541
Durban University of Technology	530
North-West University	3545
Rhodes University	2336
Stellenbosch University	5035
UCT Computer Science	57
University of Fort Hare	279
University of Johannesburg	2911
University of Kwazulu-Natal	2785
University of Limpopo	221
University of South Africa	3272
University of Pretoria	7110
University of the Western Cape	1619



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Boloka: Research Repository North-West University	South Africa	6147			+			OAI	DSpace
CSIR Research Space	South Africa	4849		+				OAI	DSpace
Digital Innovation South Africa	South Africa		+	+	+	+	+		[Unknown]
Digital Knowledge	South Africa	383			+	+			Digital Commons
DUT IR	South Africa	589			+				DSpace
Rhodes eResearch Repository	South Africa	2322		+	+			OAI	EPrints
Scientific Electronic Library Online - South Africa	South Africa	207							SciELO
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UCT Computer Science Research Document Archive	South Africa	514	+	+	+	+		OAI	EPrints
UCT Lawspace	South Africa	197		+	+	+	+		DSpace
UJDigispace	South Africa	4134			+			OAI	DSpace
UKZN ResearchSpace	South Africa	5084			+		+		DSpace
Unisa Institutional Repository	South Africa	4752			+	+	+	OAI	DSpace
University of Fort Hare Institutional Repository	South Africa	275			+				DSpace
University of Limpopo	South Africa	218			+				DSpace
University of Pretoria Electronic Theses and Dissertations	South Africa	7063			+			OAI	ETD-db
University of the Free State ETD	South Africa	720			+				ETD-db
University of the Western Cape Research Repository	South Africa	187		+		+		OAI	DSpace
University of Zululand Repository	South Africa	927			+				DSpace
UPSpace at the University of Pretoria	South Africa	15346		+	+		+	OAI	DSpace
UWC Theses and Dissertations	South Africa	1590			+			OAI	[Unknown]
Wits Unstitutional Repository on DSPACE	South Africa	6329			+	+		OAI	DSpace

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- ☑ Author self-submission
- ☑ Checking of submissions
- ☑ Archive-everything!
- ☑ UCT-CS-specific metadata and classification systems
- ☑ Hierarchical browsing
- ☑ Simple and fielded searching
- ☑ OAI-PMH compliance



Why we have a repository

- ❑ It was faster than simply waiting for UCT!
- ❑ CS departments internationally archive technical reports (NCSTRL).
- ❑ Research websites don't last long (enough).
- ❑ UCT did not have an electronic thesis project then...
- ❑ We need to improve ACCESS to our work.
- ❑ We need to preserve our research output.
- ❑ Bureaucracy (UCT, NRF, DoE, etc.) requires tracking publications.
- ❑ We (think we) know what we are doing.



What we archive

- ❑ Books and Book Chapters
- ❑ Conference Paper and Posters
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- ❑ Presentation Slides
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- ❑ Electronic Theses and Dissertations



What did it take?

□ The easy part:

- Hardware: a server somewhere
- Software: Open Source tools
- Ongoing support: very little

□ The hard part:

- Filling the archive: some persuasion, some convincing, official status
- Copyright concerns: answering questions (RoMEO)



Departmental Research Overview

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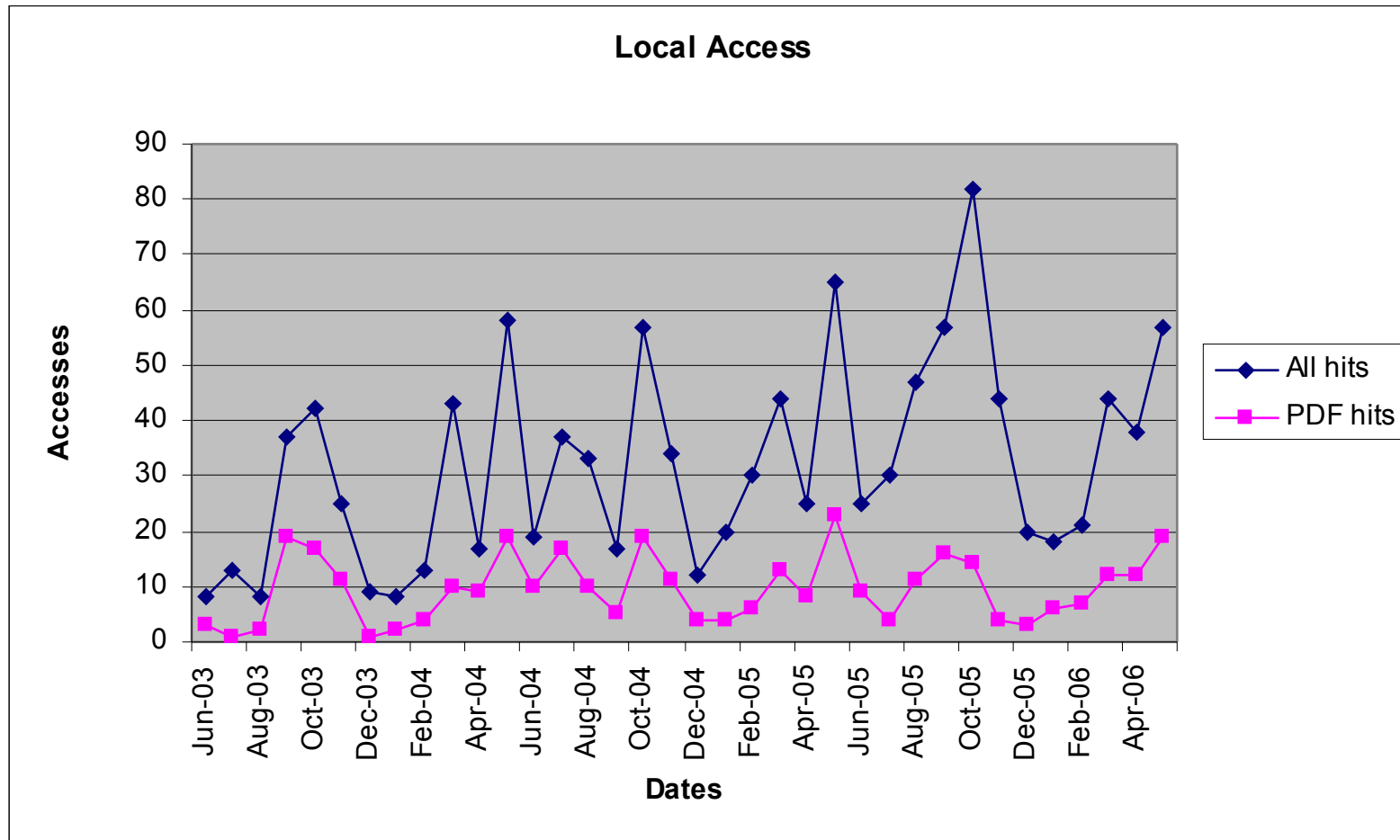
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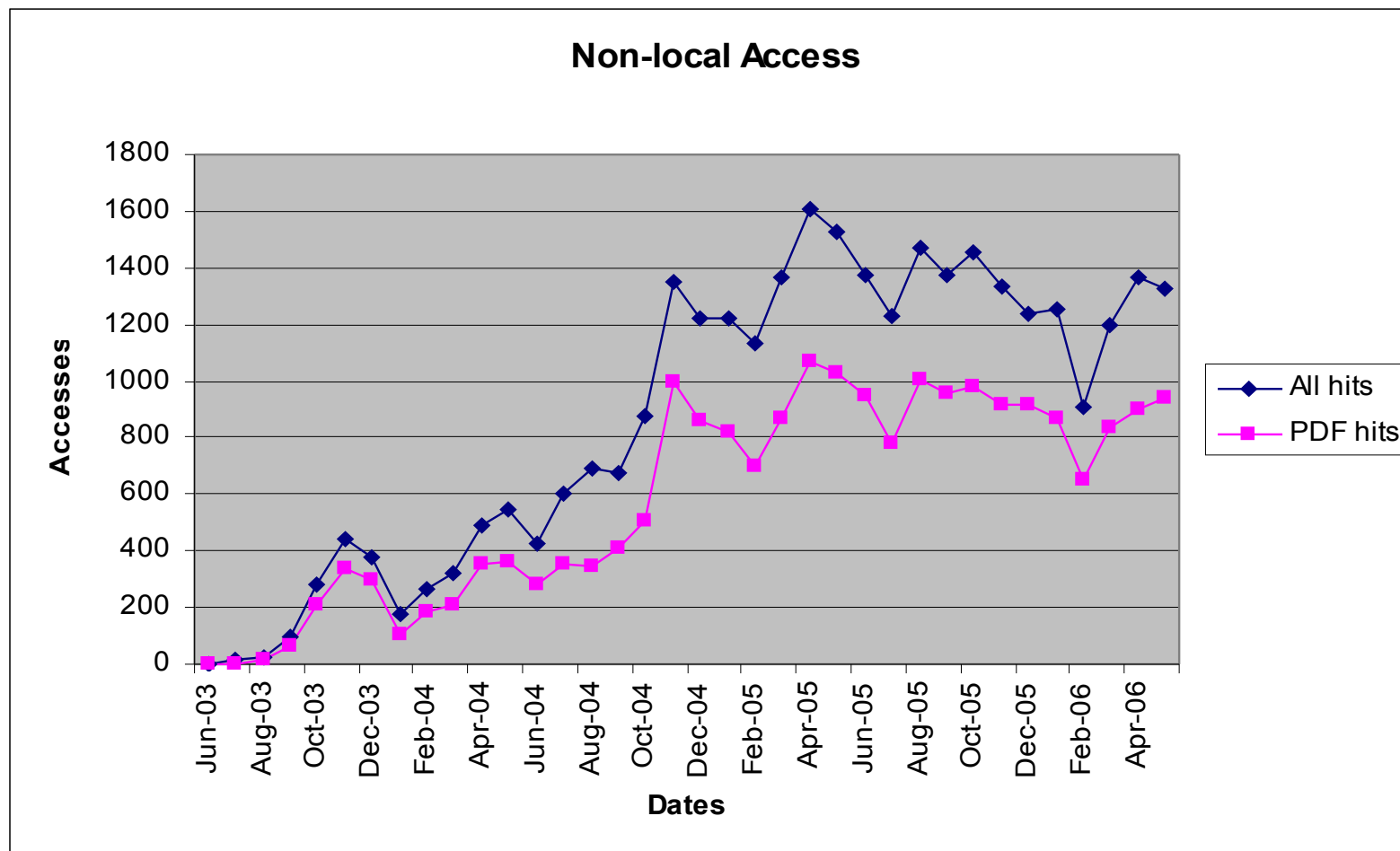
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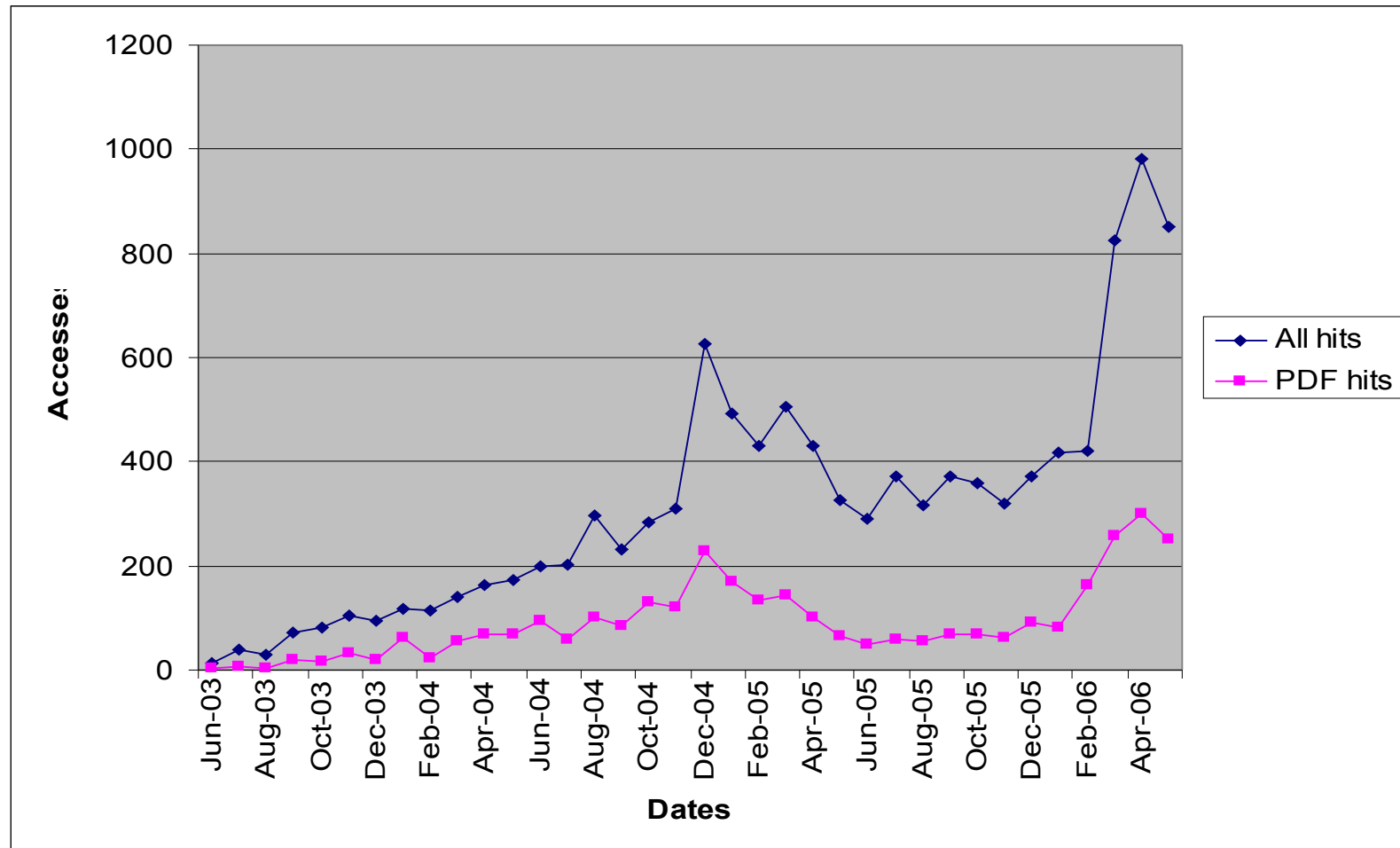
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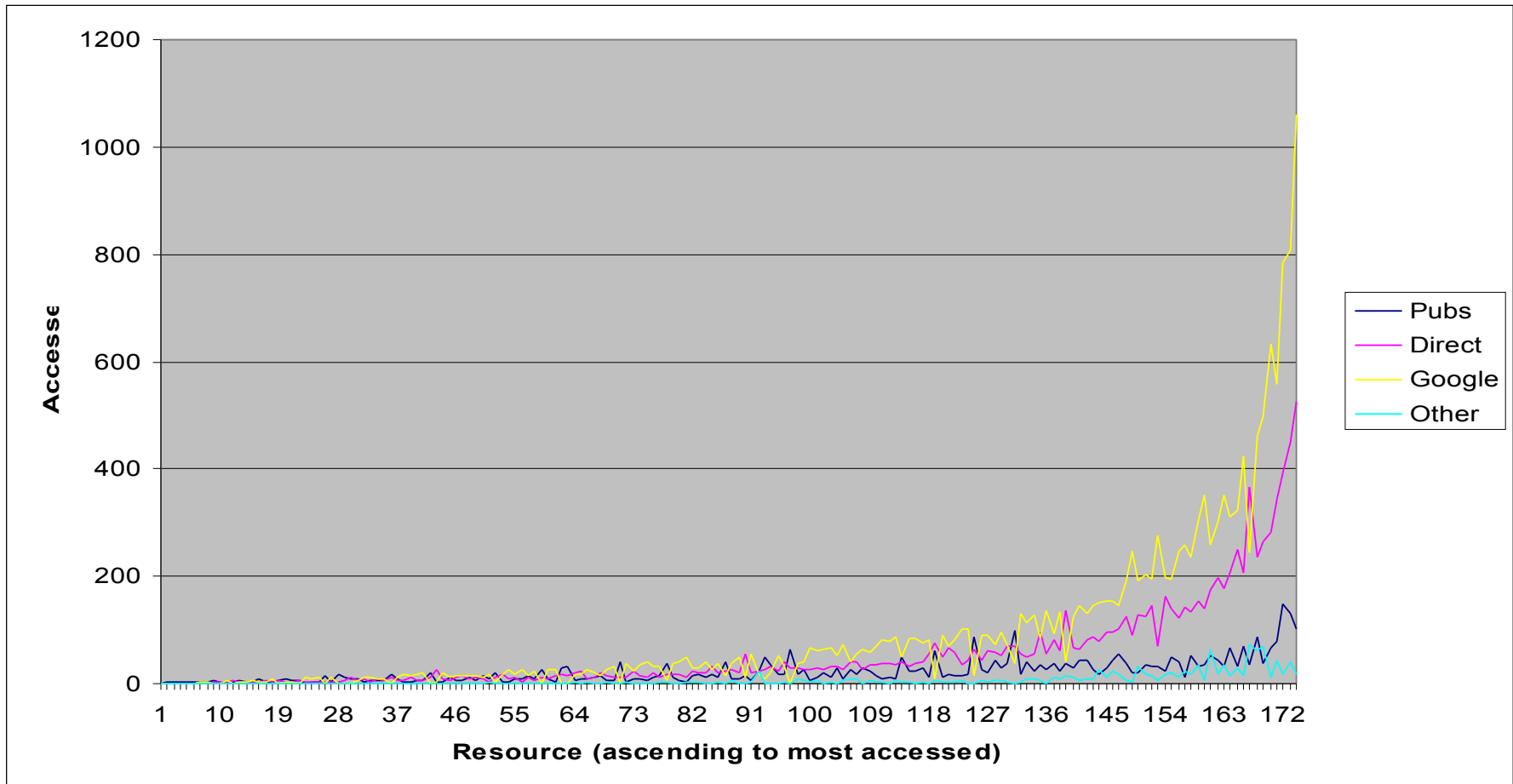
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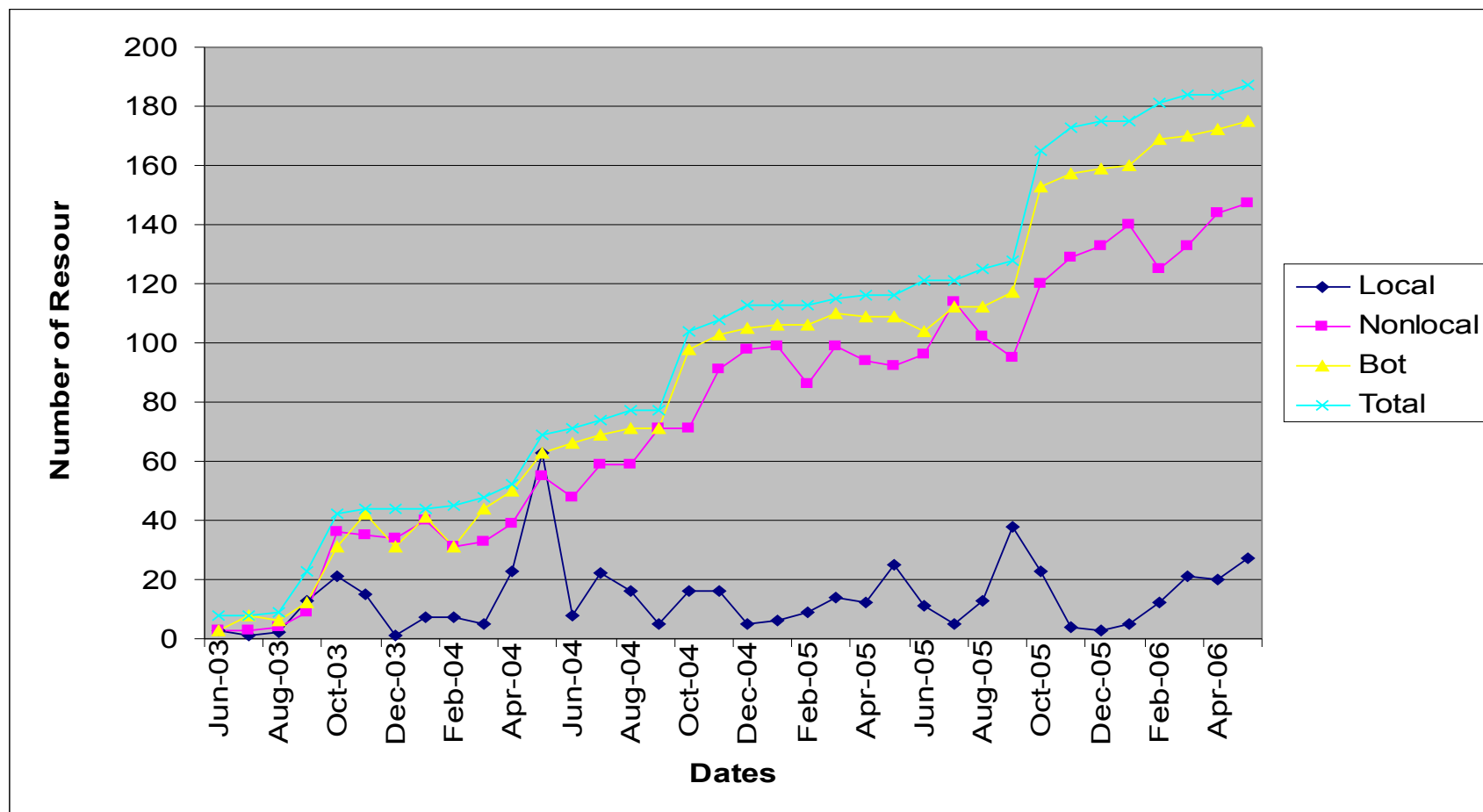
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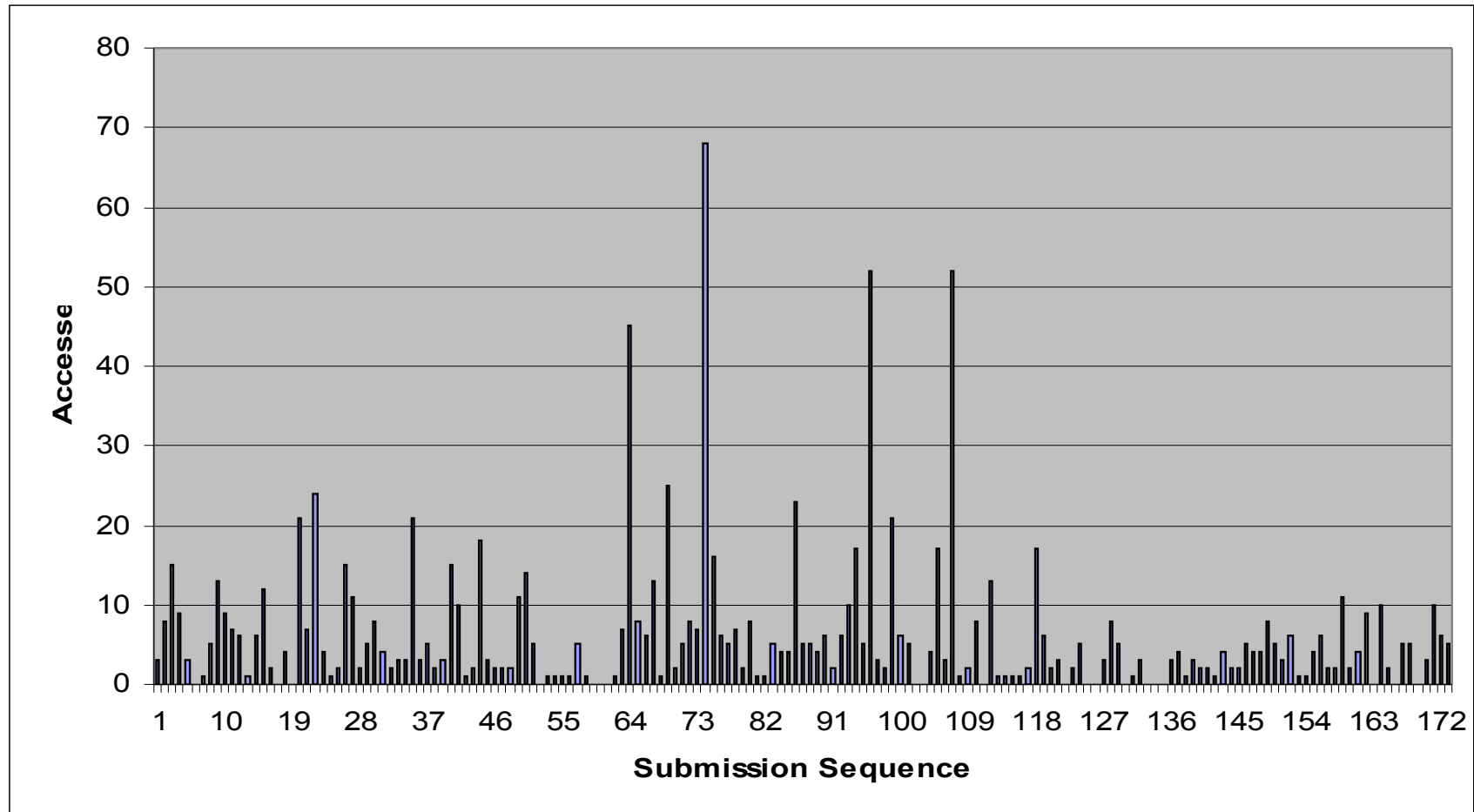
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Which Resources are Accessed



Effect of Submission Sequence



Summary of Statistics

- ❑ The archive is regularly and aggressively indexed by search services.
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- ❑ Most users find their way to resources through Google and other search engines.
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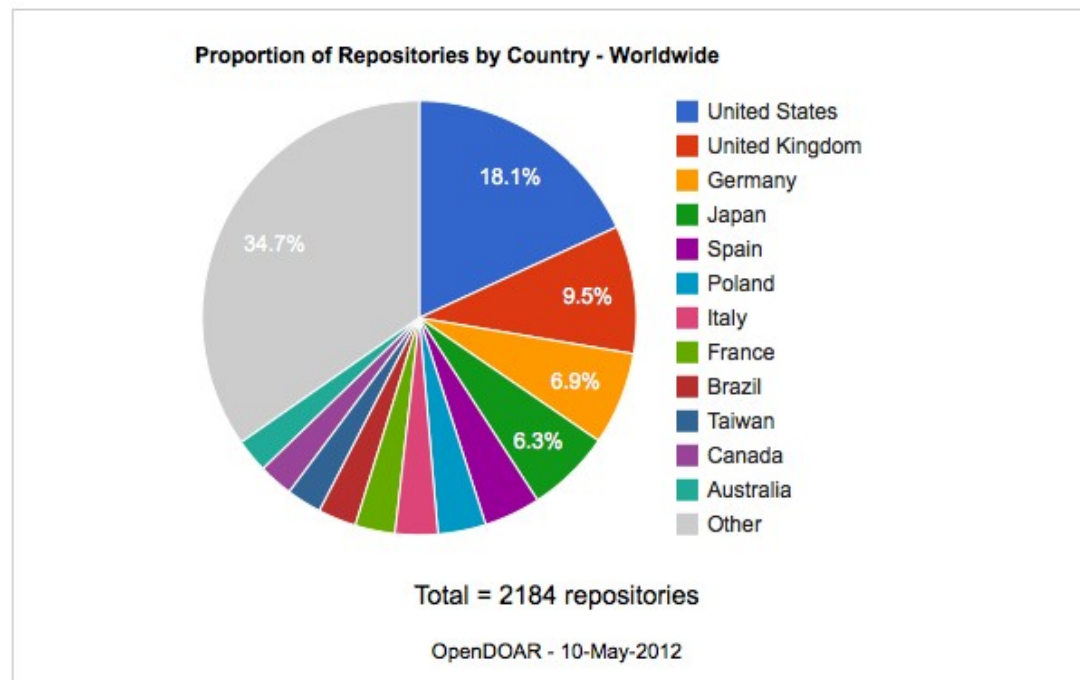
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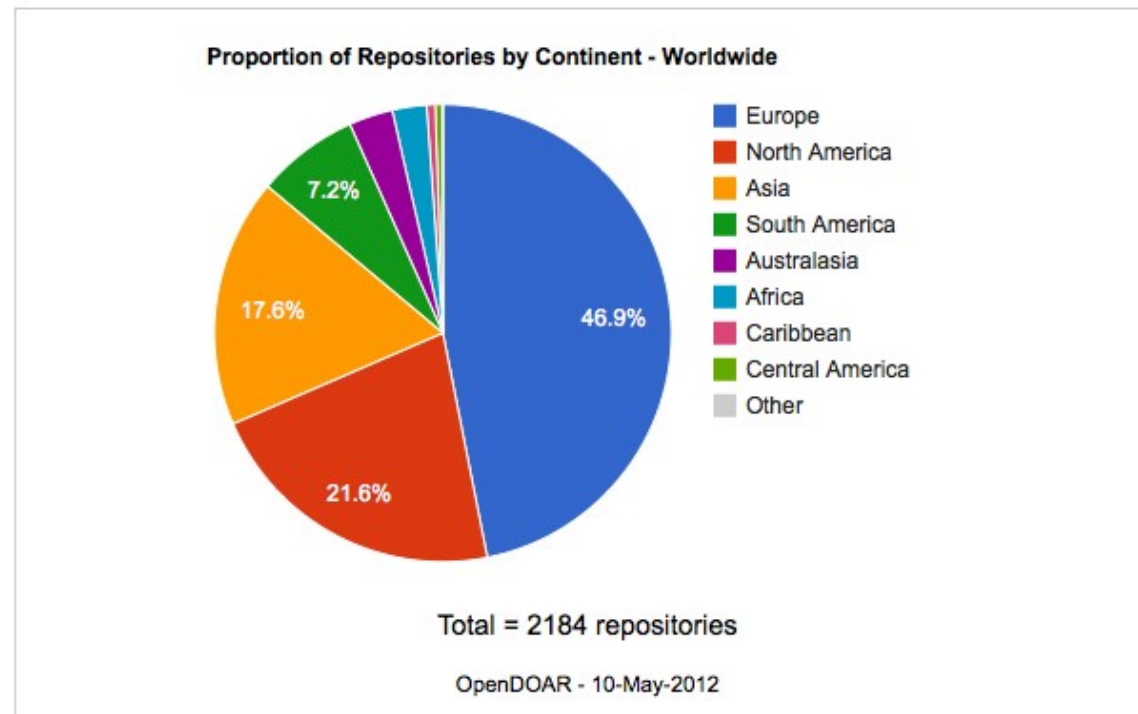
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- *More work – duplication of effort.*
- *Open Access is not proven beyond a doubt to be better.*
- ~~High quality comes from journals – why waste time with low quality online documents?~~
- *Paper will last longer.*
- ~~Not everyone is doing it.~~
- ~~The system is working already!~~



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- Link into national / international networks.
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- Maintain access to published works.
- Preserve research in long term.
- Training resource for new students.
- Share research with community/public.
- Required by government/funding agencies.

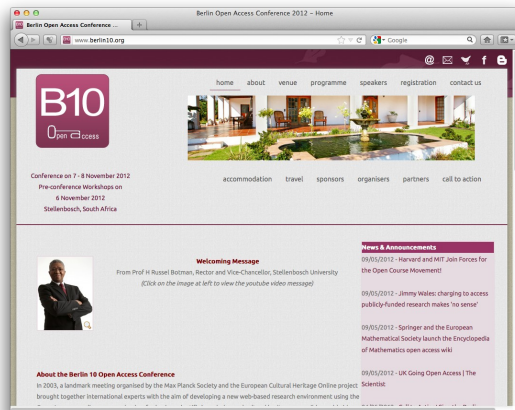


So where to from here?

- ❑ Decide for yourself!
- ❑ Support your local repository.
- ❑ Change your way of thinking – it is not business as usual in academia...
- ❑ OA is only part of a bigger process of the (r)evolution in scholarly communication.



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