

The MetaArchive of Southern Digital Cultural

<http://www.metaarchive.org>

A Practical, Working and Replicable Approach to Digital Preservation

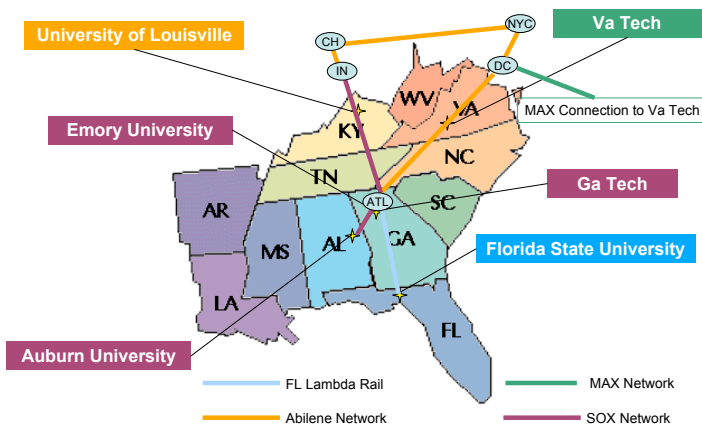
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MetaArchive Project Goals

1. Create a conspectus of digital content within the subject domain held by the partners
2. Harvest a body of most critical content to be preserved
3. Develop a model cooperative charter for collaboration and sustainability
4. LOCKSS-based distributed preservation network infrastructure

MetaArchive NDIIPP Network via Internet2



MetaArchive: Conspectus Plan

- Scoping content
 - Southern, at risk
- Descriptive Schema
 - UKOLN RSLP, IMLS DCC
- Subjects
 - *Encyclopedia of Southern Culture*
- Formats, media, resource types
- http://www.metaarchive.org/pdfs/conspectus_md_2005.html

MetaArchive Content Issues

- Digital collections are not as dead as we thought they were.
- Digital collections are not defined by time.
- Copyright

Current MetaArchive Developments

Testing the Preservation Network: Disaster Recovery

- Crash primary node
- Damage content
- Disable access to plug-ins
- Run routine tests
- Reconstruct primary node, resurrect network, reconstruct content
- Document

Current MetaArchive Developments

New Members

- Contributing Partners
- Sponsored Partners

New Services

- Digital preservation
- Format migration
- Disaster recovery
- Consulting/training
- LOCKSS services

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- Non-profit management entity
- Oversight of MetaArchive Cooperative
- Low cost, low overhead conduit for scholarly communications projects
- Advance cyberinfrastructure

Sustaining the MetaArchive

Cooperative Charter/Memo of Understanding

- Membership
- Duration and cost
- Governance structure
- Conditions of breach
- Liability issues

<http://www.metaarchive.org/pdfs/MetaArchive/Charter0906.pdf>

MetaArchive Digital Sustainability Model

