

NLM Repository Migration Considerations

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NLM Digital Repository

- 9M objects, 70 TB
- Historical and present-day books, images, film, video, audio, manuscripts, archival material, born-digital, citations, court cases, software, maps
- Fedora 3.8.1, Solr, GSearch, MySQL, CentOS
- Blacklight, IIF Loris, content-specific viewers
- Java, JavaScript, Ruby, bash



Open Source Tools



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Logical System Components

User Interface

Web Servers

Blacklight

Book Reader

Video Player

Image Viewer

Application Services

Tomcat, Python Servers

Solr
(Search)

Fedora
Repository

Loris
(IIF)

GSearch
(Transform)

Fedora Data

Netapp Fileservers

Preservation
Masters

Objects

Lucene
(Index)

Berkeley
XML DB

Database servers

MySQL

Data
Files

Datastreams

Resource
Index

policies

File locations
Basic metadata



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Fedora Migration

- Fedora 6 pilot partner
- Initial migration tests from Feb. 2020
 - 4.6M objects (books, pages) migrated in 7 days from F3 legacy to F6 pairtree
 - 3.8M objects (XML citations) migrated in 5 days from F3 akubra to F6 truncated
 - Initial issues resolved, ongoing issues with large inodes (current 500M limit), lengthy migration times
- Current work – deploy realistic target architecture
 - CentOS 7, Tomcat, MySQL 8
- Future: JMeter load tests, ingest, access



Target Architecture

- Public web layer in cloud
- AWS/GCP, Kubernetes, Docker. Cloud agnostic
- Digitization hardware on-site, CentOS VMs
- Back-end applications can be in cloud or on-premises
 - Fedora / OCFL on-premises or in-cloud? TBD
- Identify workflow step where content is moved to cloud
- 3 copy LOCKSS including cloud, on-premises



Design Considerations

- External Content
 - Leave files, migrate links in F6
 - Migrate to OCFL separately from F6 OCFL
 - Migrate to F6 managed OCFL
- Metadata in RDF.
- RDF/LDP concerns. Use our own URIs as subjects.
- Typically ingest using side-loading for performance in moving large files, prebuilt FOXML
- Clustering for availability
- Revisit Preservation requirements



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