RODA: digital preservation for the portuguese public administration

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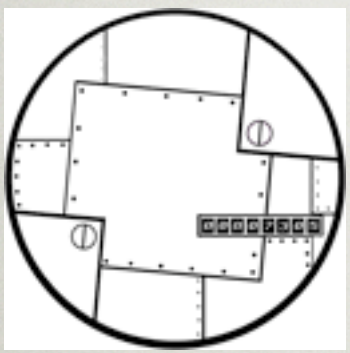

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- digital object management (...)
- digital preservation protocols and policies

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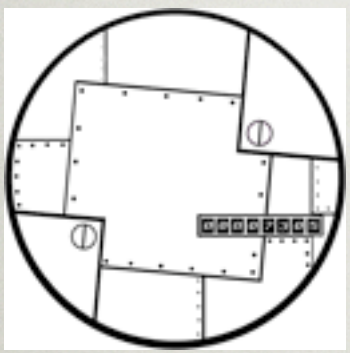

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Partners/Contracters:

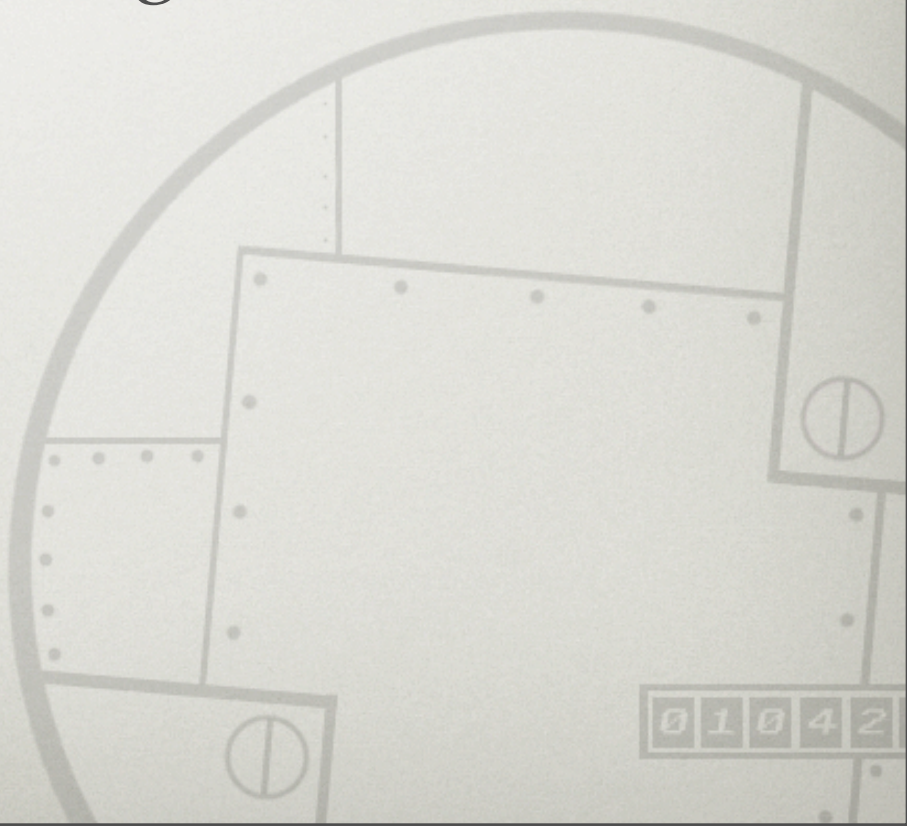
- National Directory Board of Archives
- Photography National Archive
- Oporto's county Archive
- Some city hall archives (can grow exponencially)

RODA: Motivation

- Today History is being made in the digital world;
- Digital Object production grows everyday;
- There are no structures to support incorporation, management and long-term preservation of digital objects;
- We have to preserve the digital memory, heritage and testimonials of public organizations.
    - Example: SGU work

Some Requisites/Questions?

- How do we achieve Authenticity?
- How do we describe and classify DO?
- How can we implement digital preservation?



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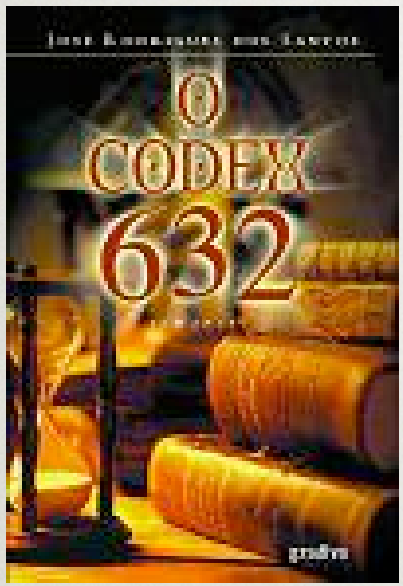

"O Codex 632" by José Rodrigues dos Santos

Subject: Who really was Cristophoros Colombus?

Was he italian? Spanish? Or a portuguese belonging to a jewish family?

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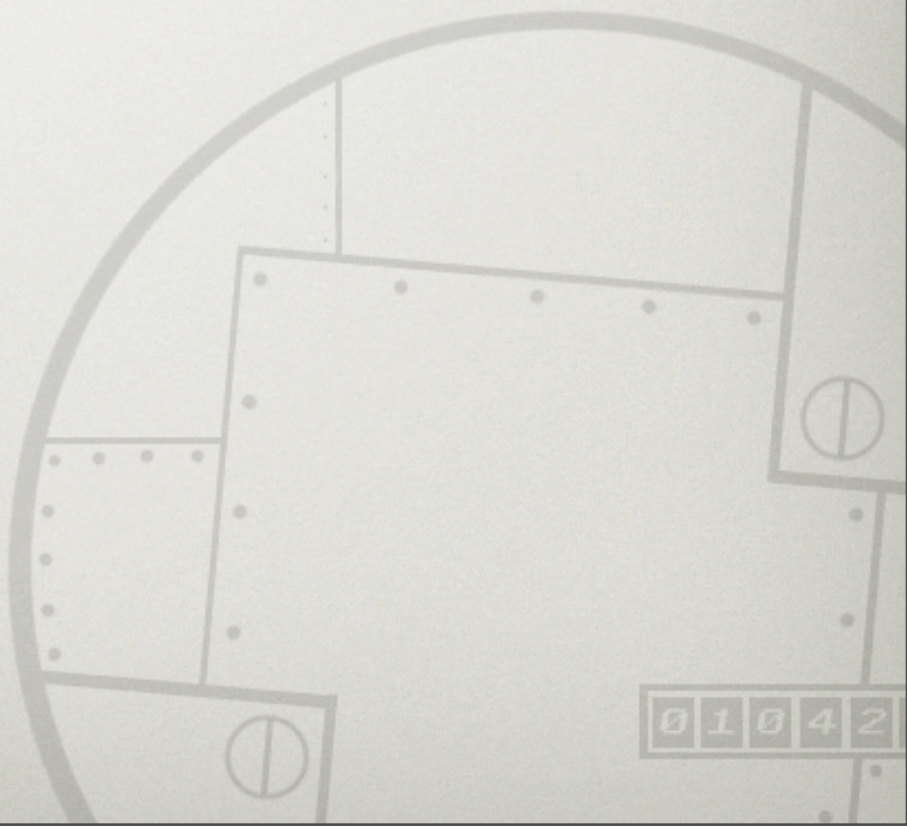

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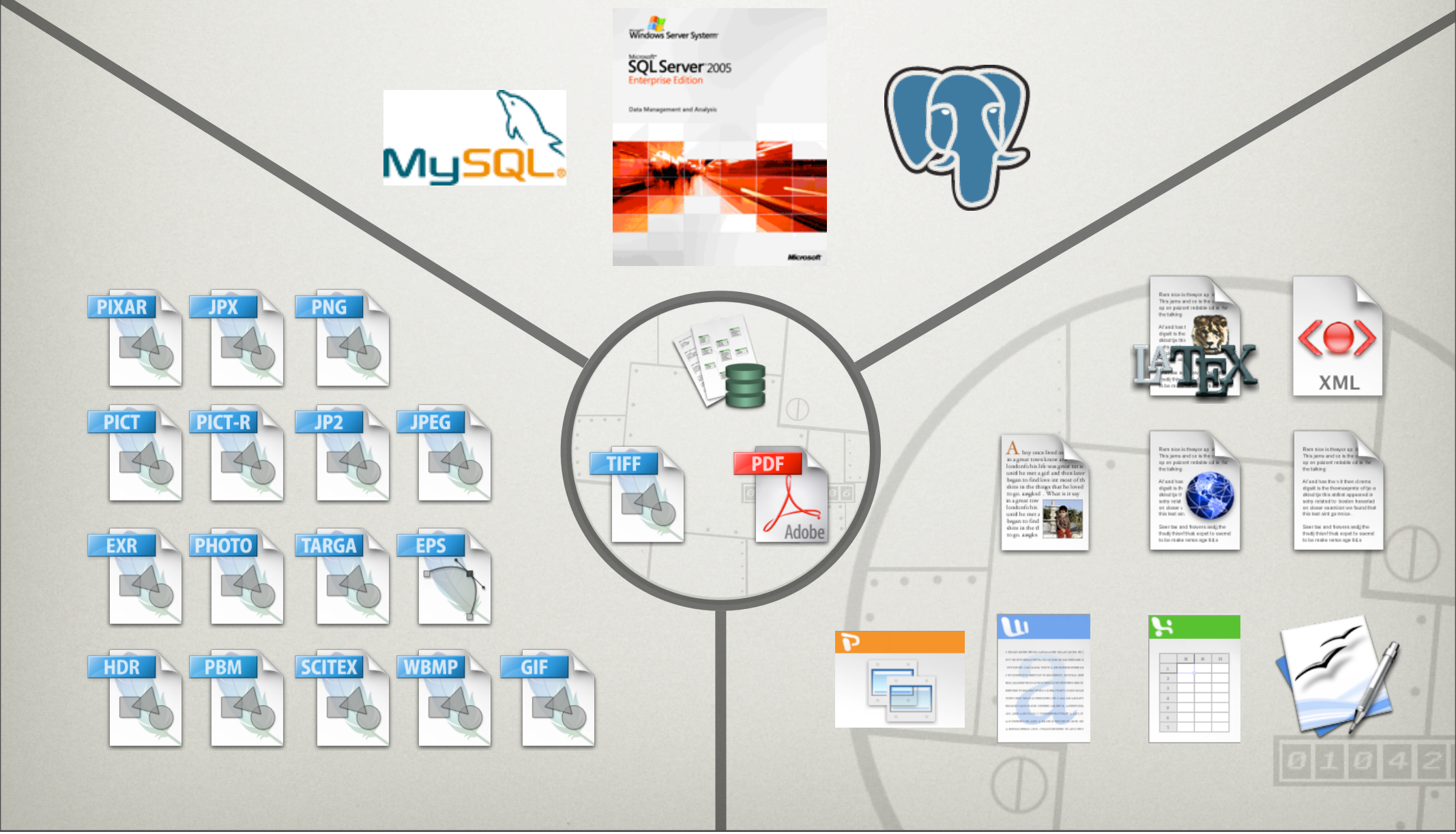
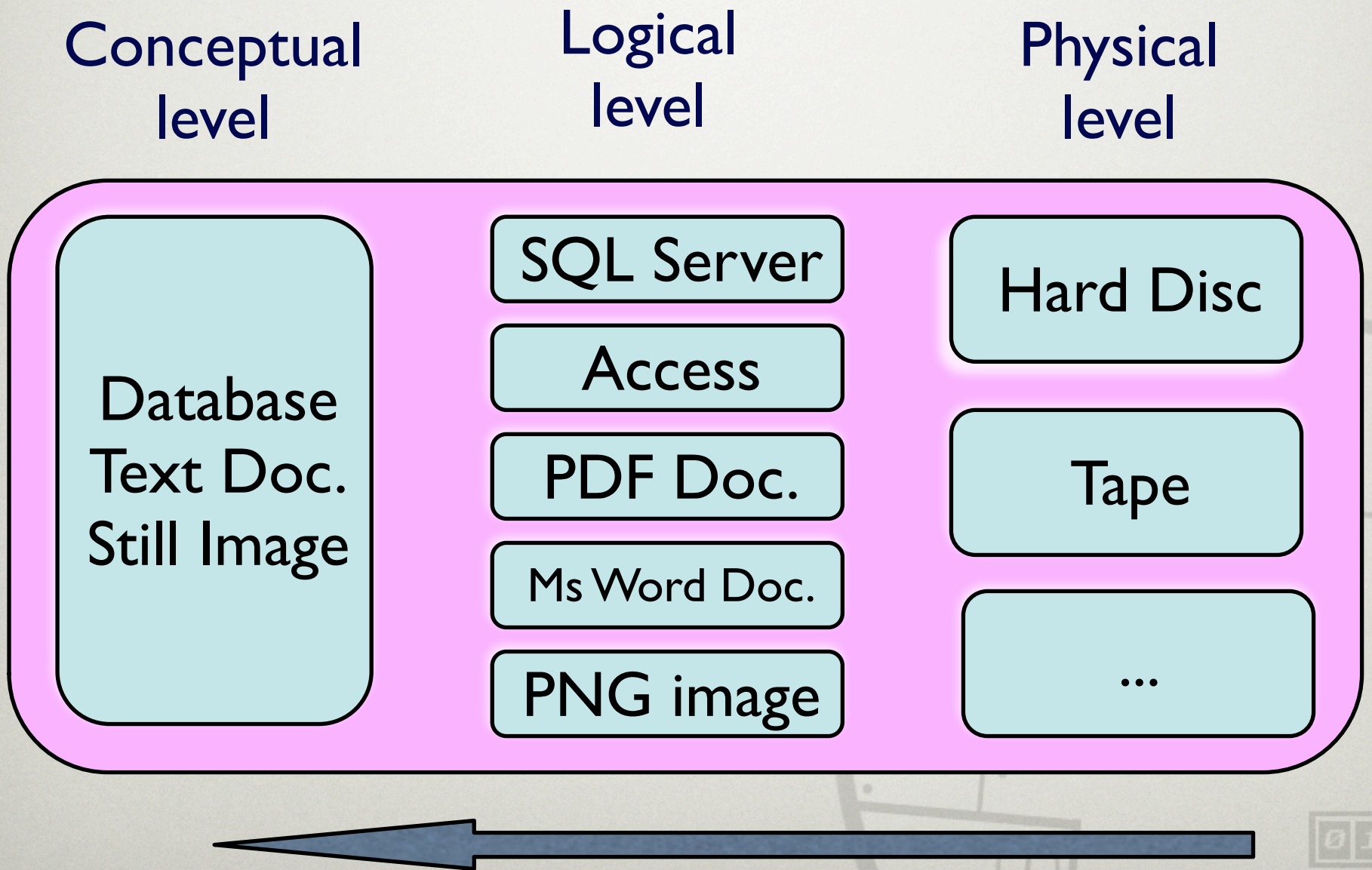
- Reputation
- Documenting every action taken upon DOs

Digital Object Classes



DO Anatomy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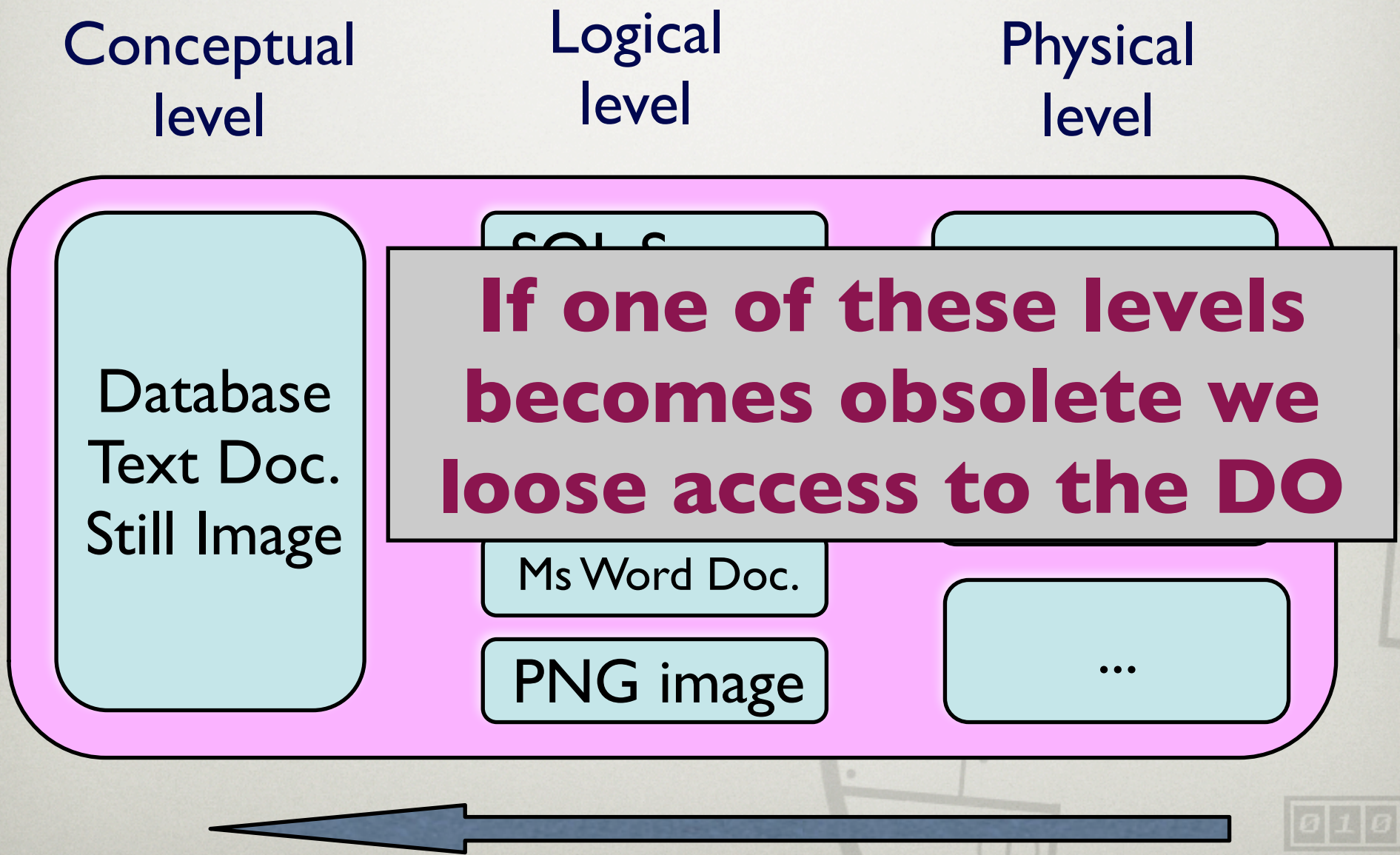
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If one of these levels becomes obsolete we loose access to the DO

DO Preservation Strategies

- Focusing the **physical/logical object**
  - Centered in preserving information in her **logical format** or / and **physical support**
  - Uses original technology associated to these objects to ensure the access to them
  - **Technology preservation**
- Focusing the **conceptual object**
  - Centered in **preserving the object core properties in a way that is independent from hardware** and software
  - **Conceptual object preservation**

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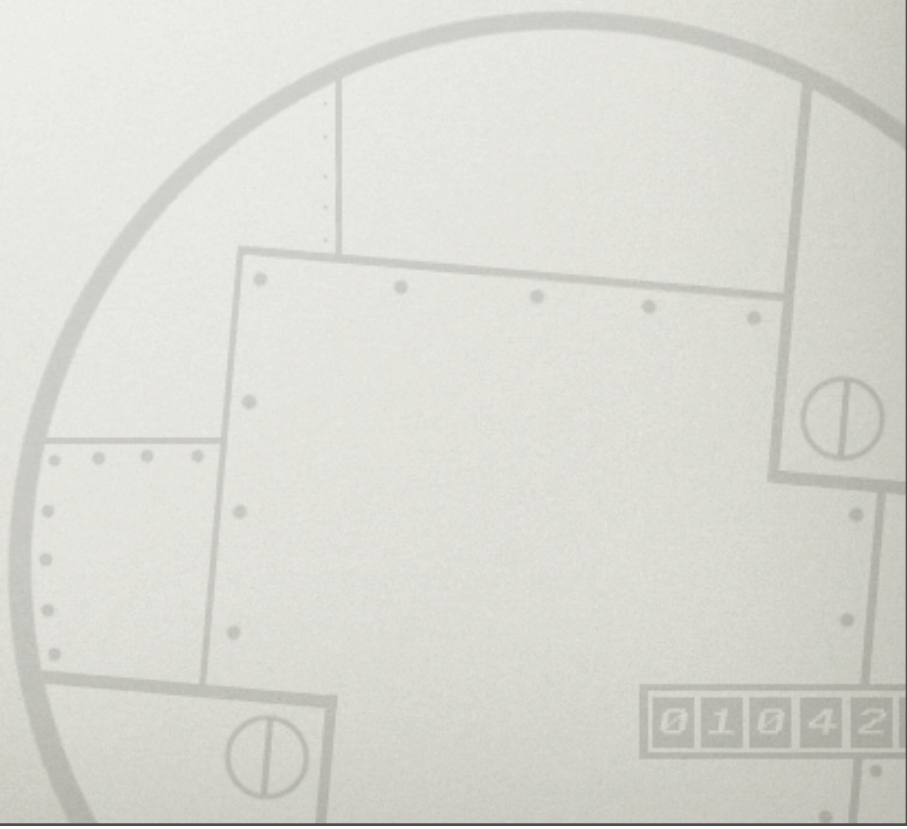

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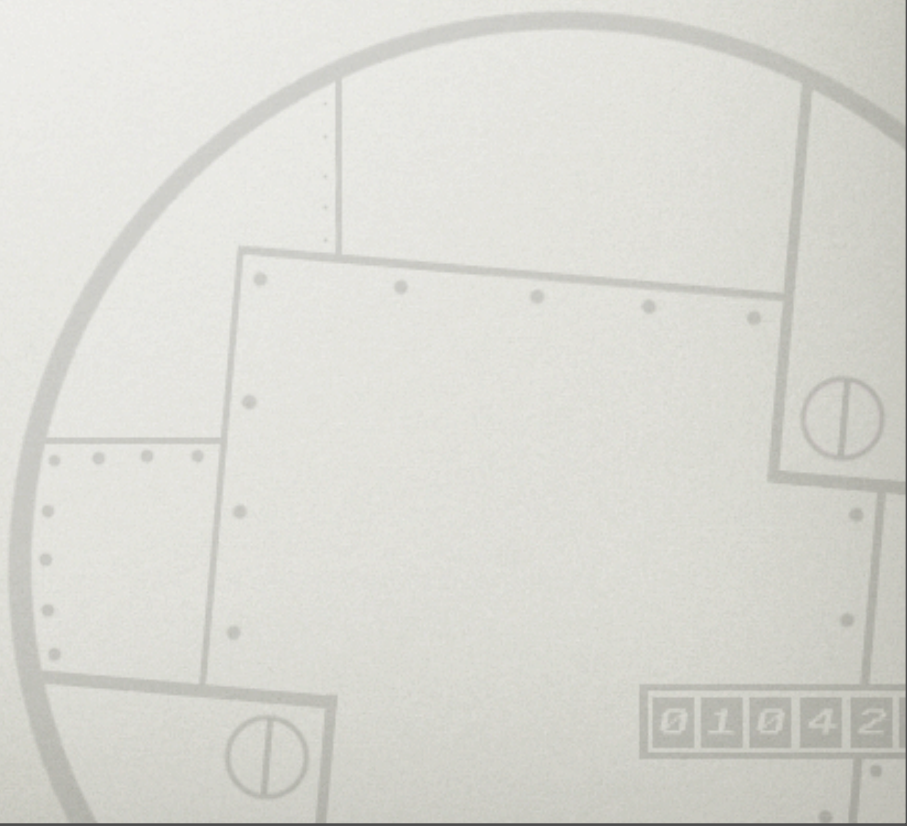

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  - Original technological context recriation
  - Object's ***look & feel*** preservation
- Disadvantages
  - Emulators also become obsolete
  - Users have to operate obsolete systems
  - Creating emulators is a complex task
  - Copyright problems
  - To preserve a complete operating system to be able to visualize a single document may be overwhelming
  - Information reuse in not guaranteed

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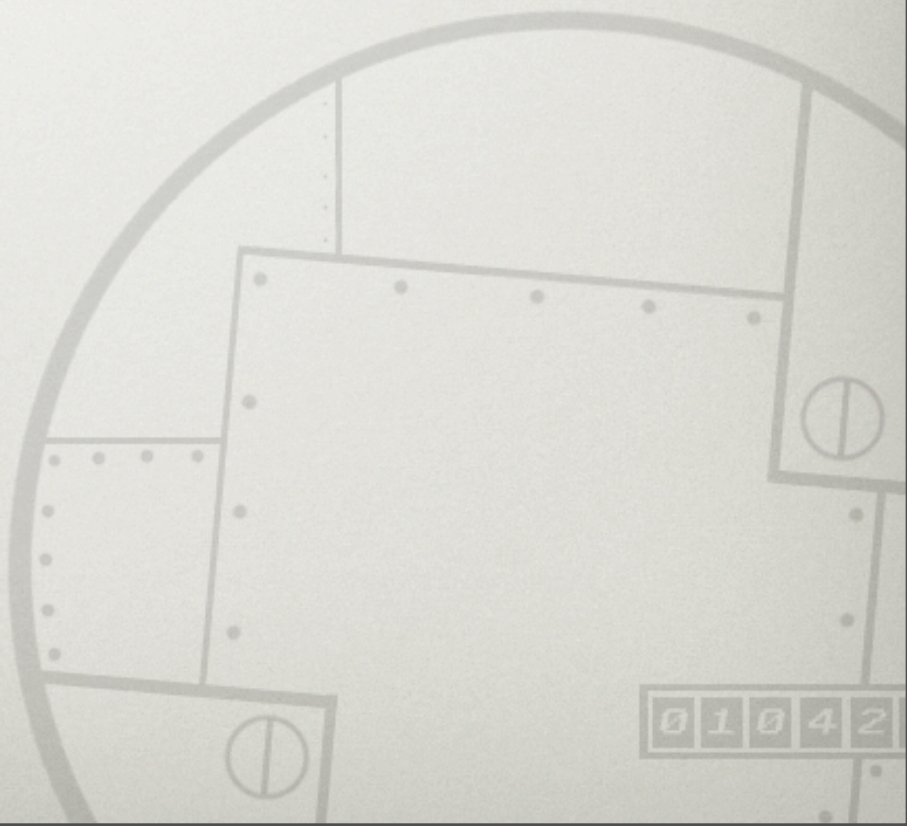

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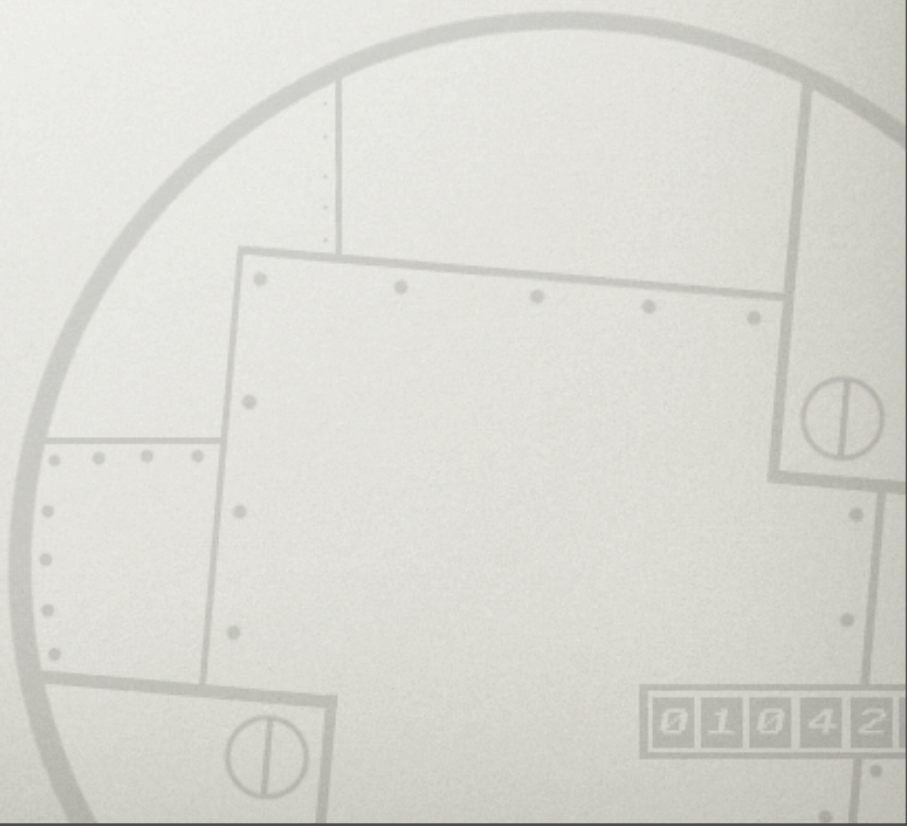

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  - It allows the postponement of preservation **responsibilities**
  - Targeted for objects that will be accessed in a far future
  - **Emulator and visualizer developement is delayed**
- Disadvantages
  - **Complex objects** have **complex specifications**
  - An **incomplete specification** can have nasty effects

Conceptual object preservation

Migration: periodic DO transfer from one hw/sw configuration into an updated one (centered in preserving significant properties other then preserving the original bit stream).

Advantages

- DO are disseminated in formats known to users
- No need to preserve the original hw/sw platform
- Most used strategy and the only that has worked so far

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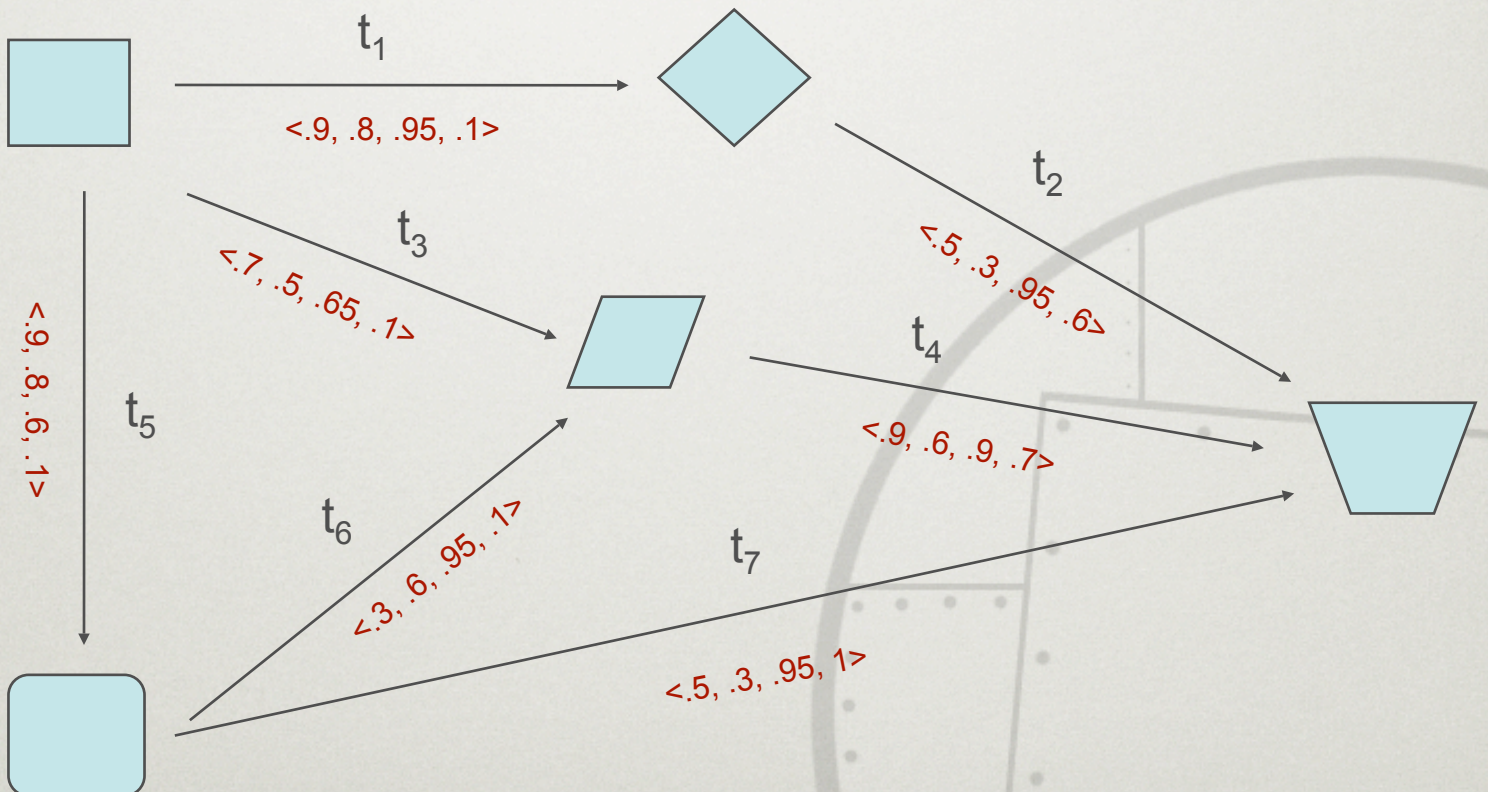
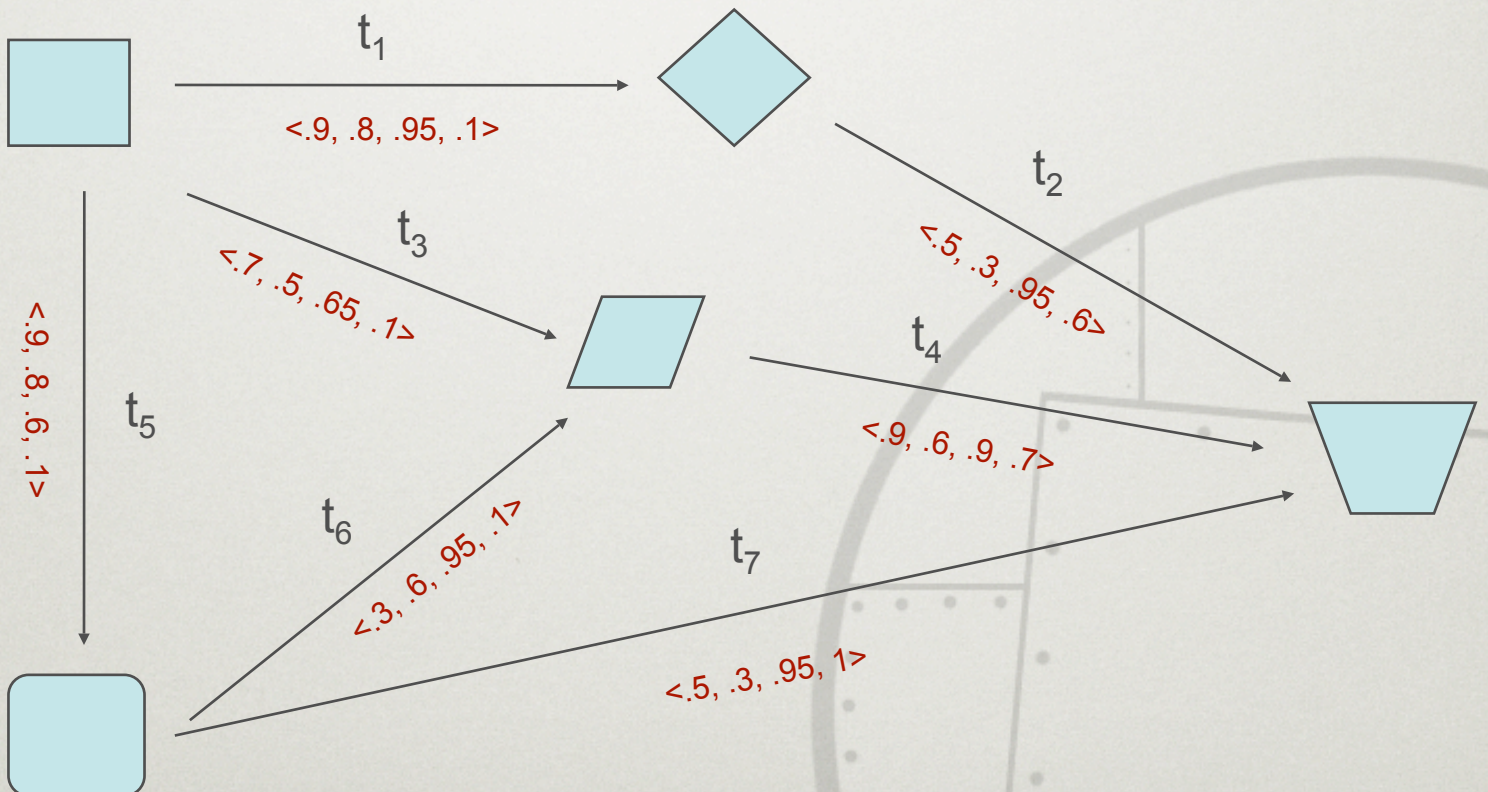


Preservation Services

CRiB project: http://crib.dsi.uminho.pt



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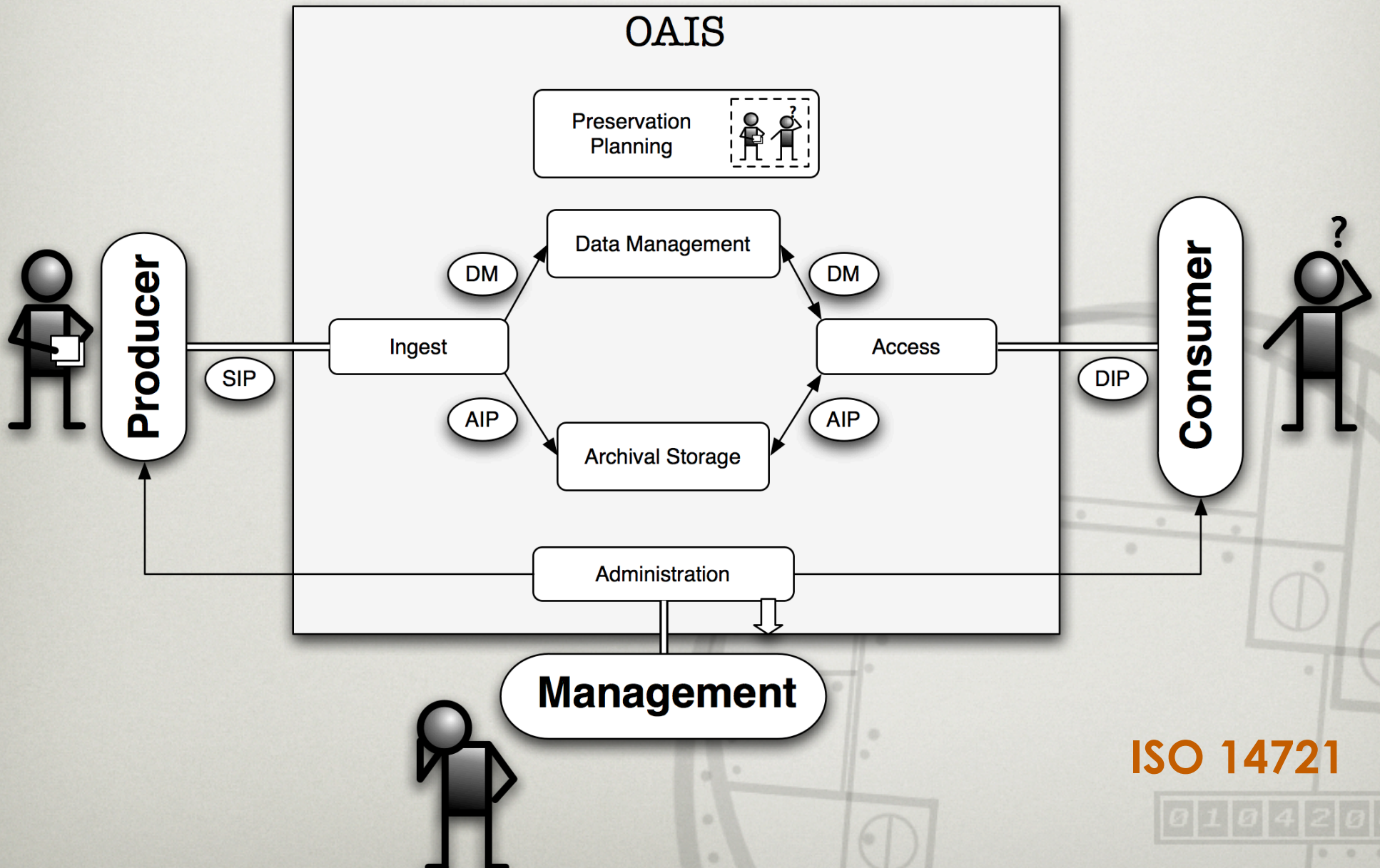

ISO 14721

OAIS (Functional Components)

- Ingestion
  - **Reception, validation, transformation/ normalization**, description of the whole package submitted by the producer
- Storage
  - Ensures information preservation at physical/ logical level (e.g. refreshing, migration, integrity checks, disaster recovery, etc.)
- Metadata management
  - Responsible for the management of stored DOs

OAIS (Information Packages

- Submission Information Package (SIP)
  - **Digital Object**
  - **Metadata created by producer**
    - **too open...**
- Archival Information Package (AIP)
  - **Digital Object to be stored**
  - **Metadata:** enough to ensure DO's preservation and access
    - model defined by PREMIS
- Dissemination Information Package (DIP)
  - DO transformed into the **format** that will be **delivered** to the **consumer**
  - **Metadata**

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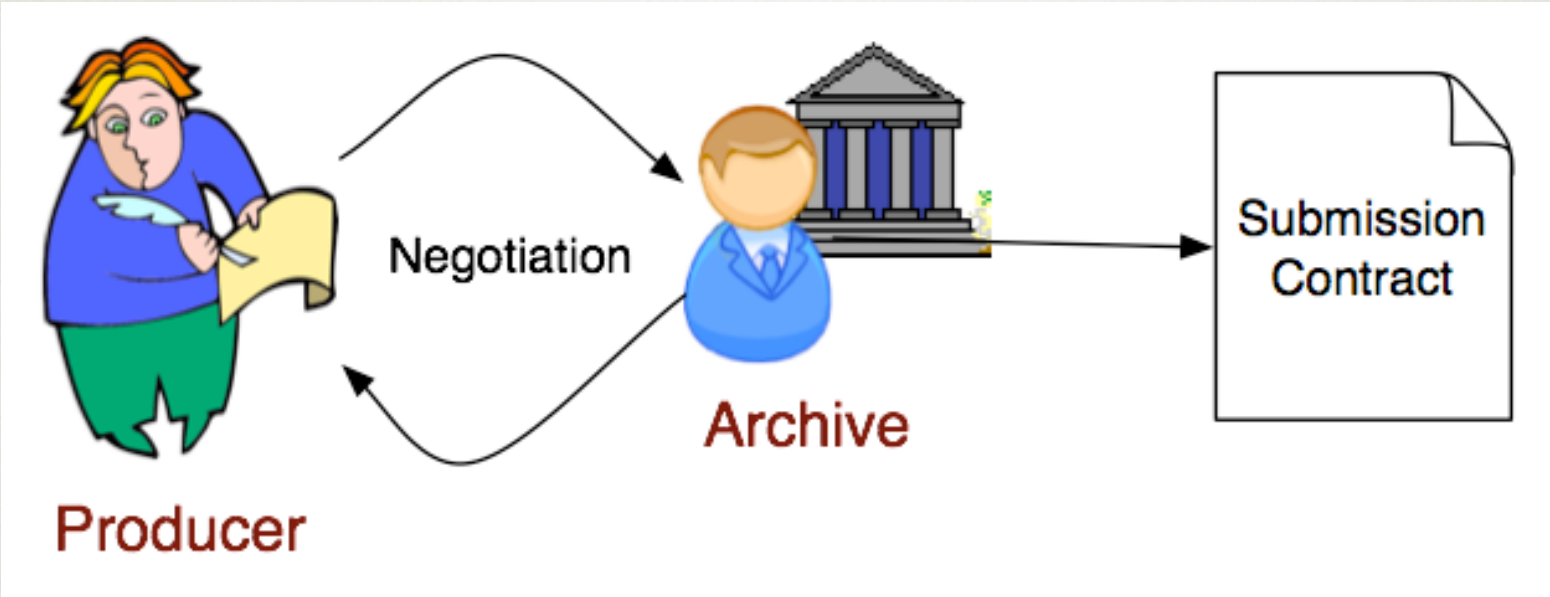

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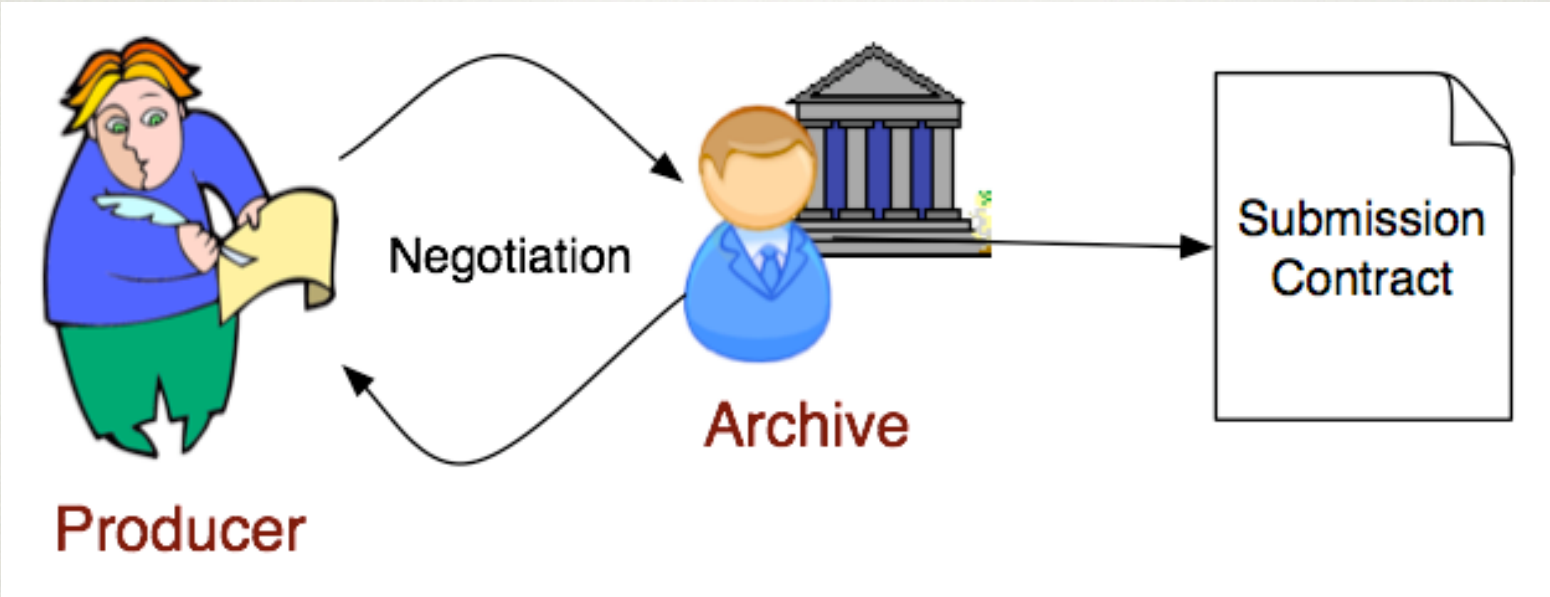

Submission Contract

- SIP specification
- Ingestion workflow specification

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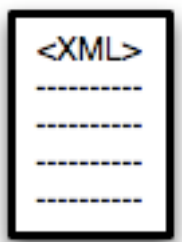

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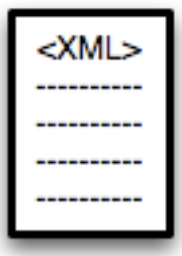

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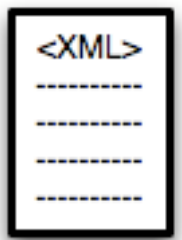

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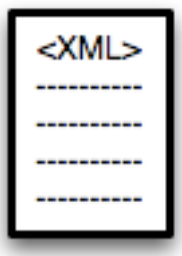

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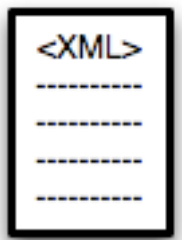

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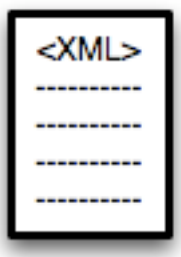

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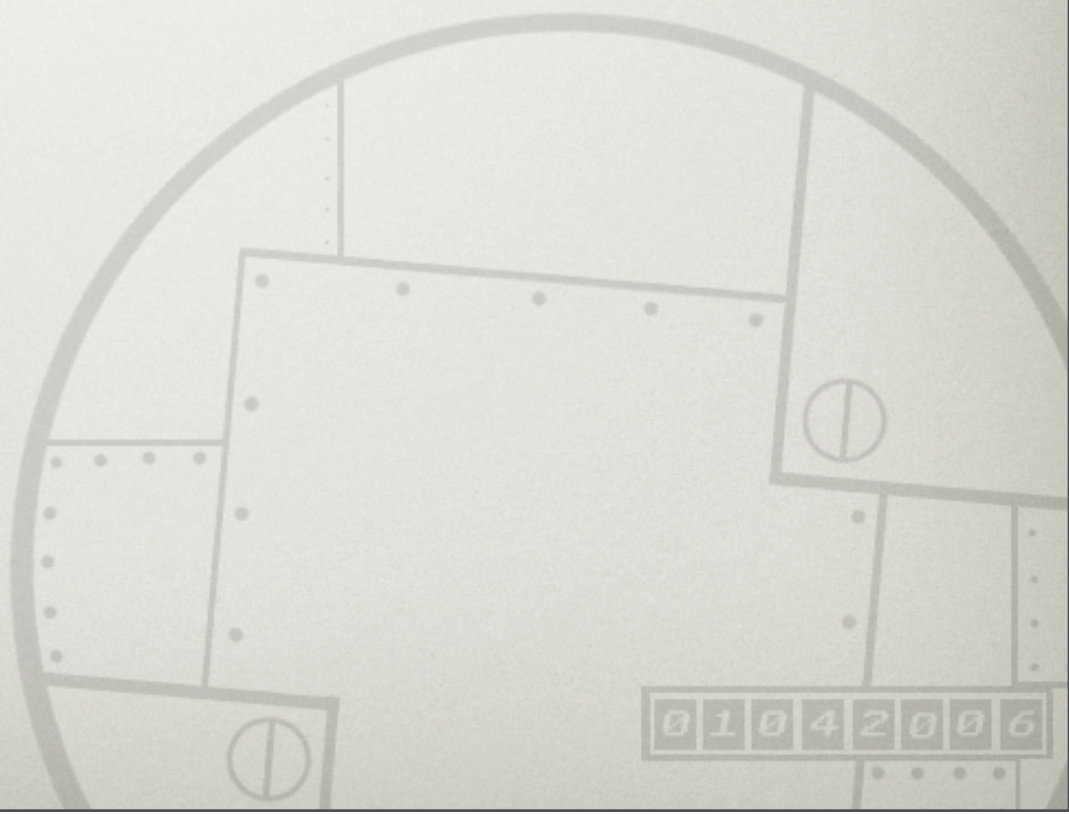

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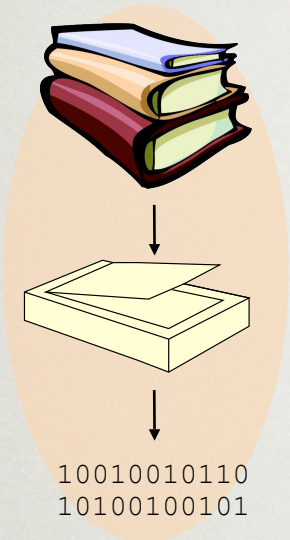

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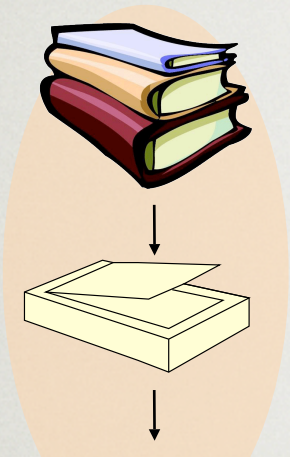

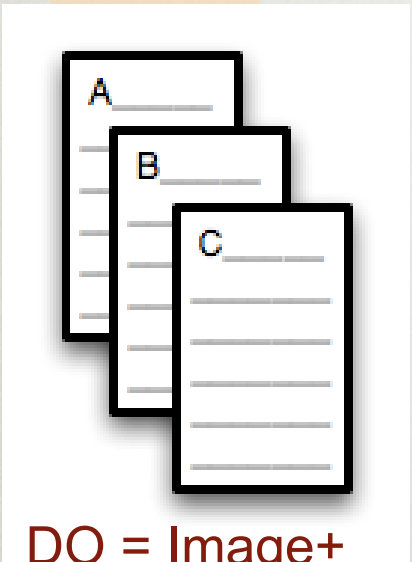

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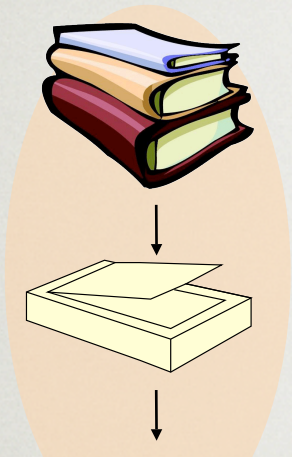

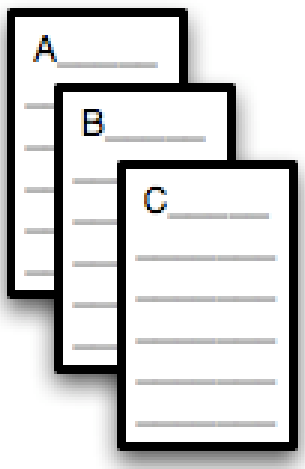

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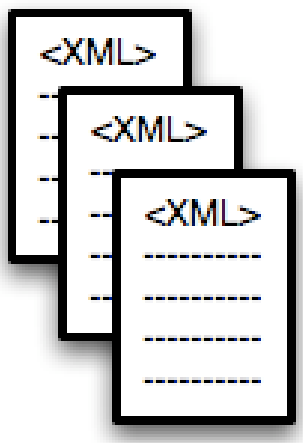

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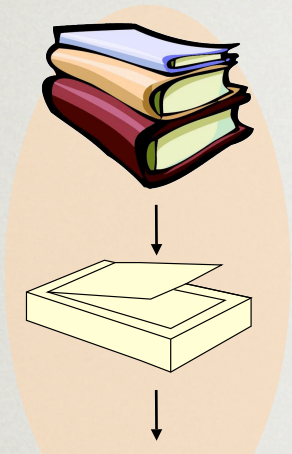

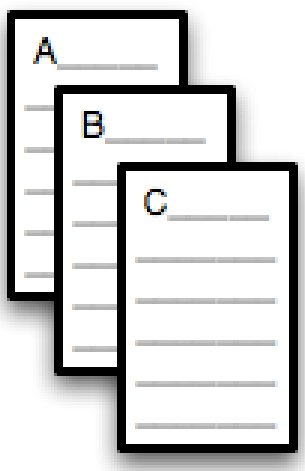

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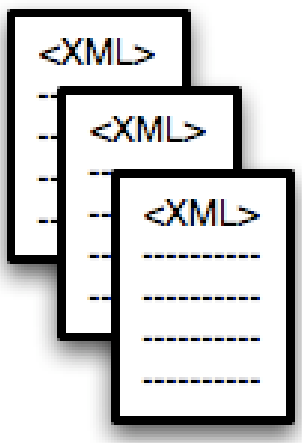

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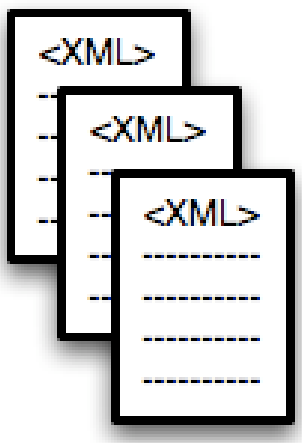

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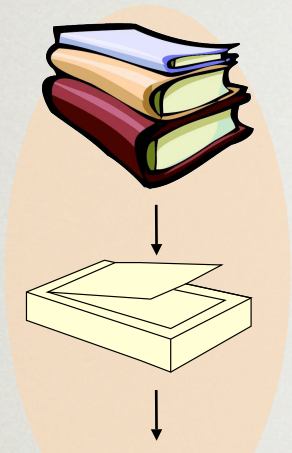

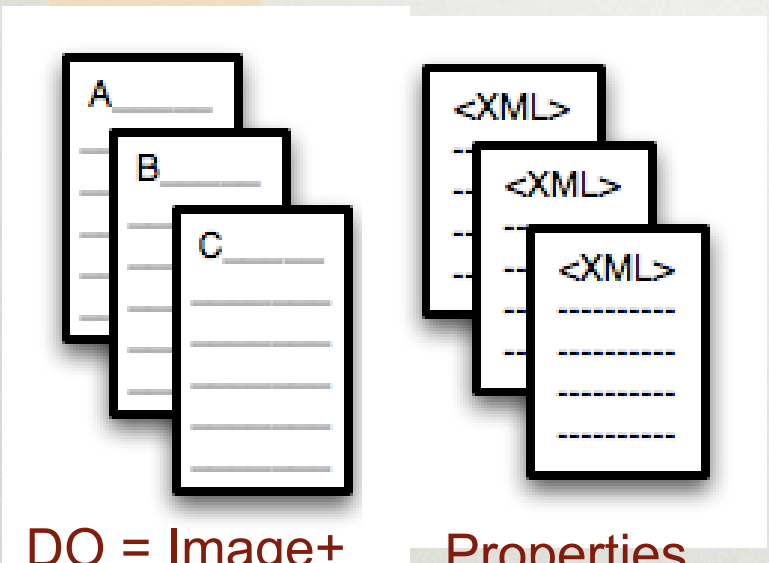

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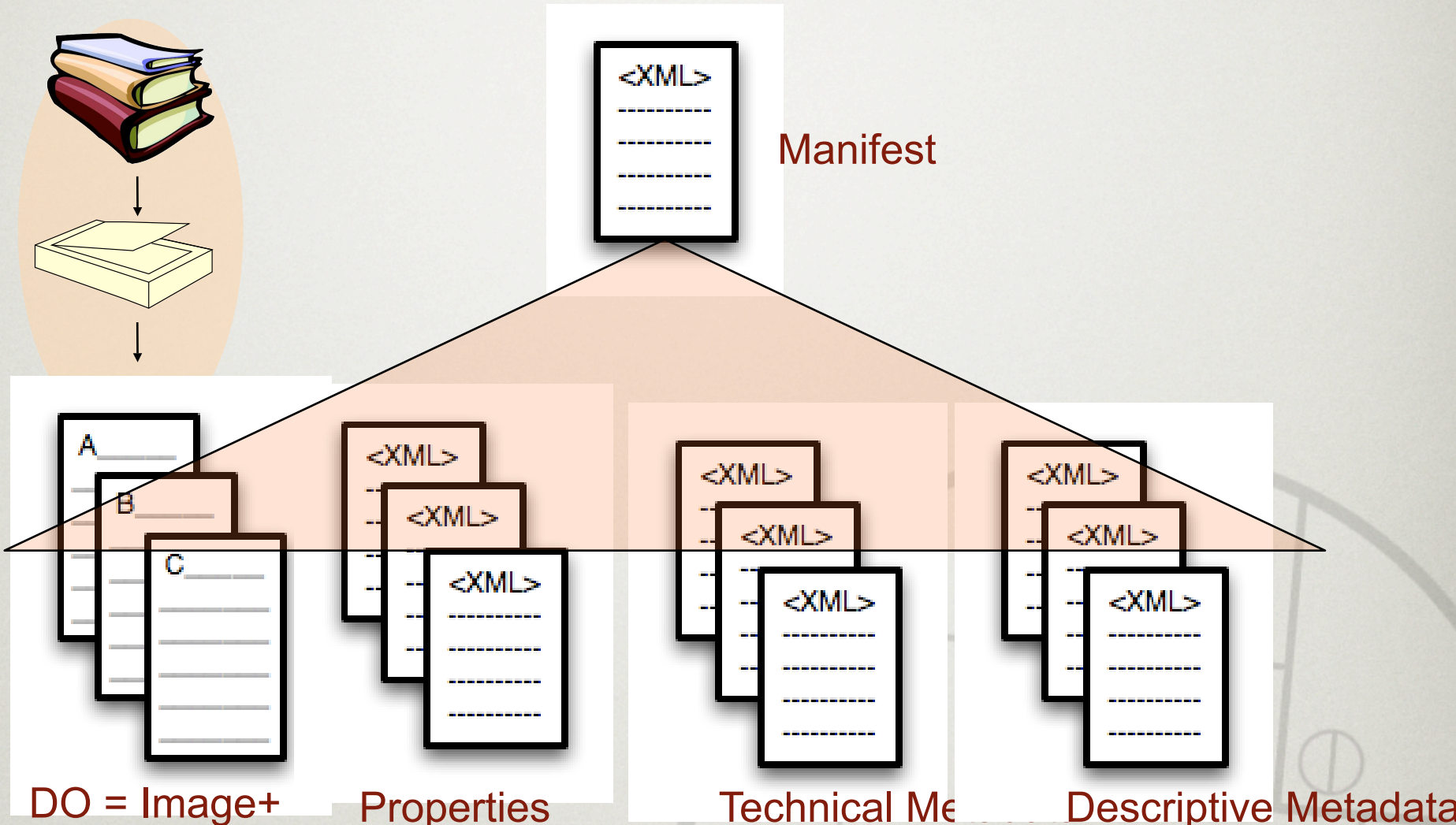

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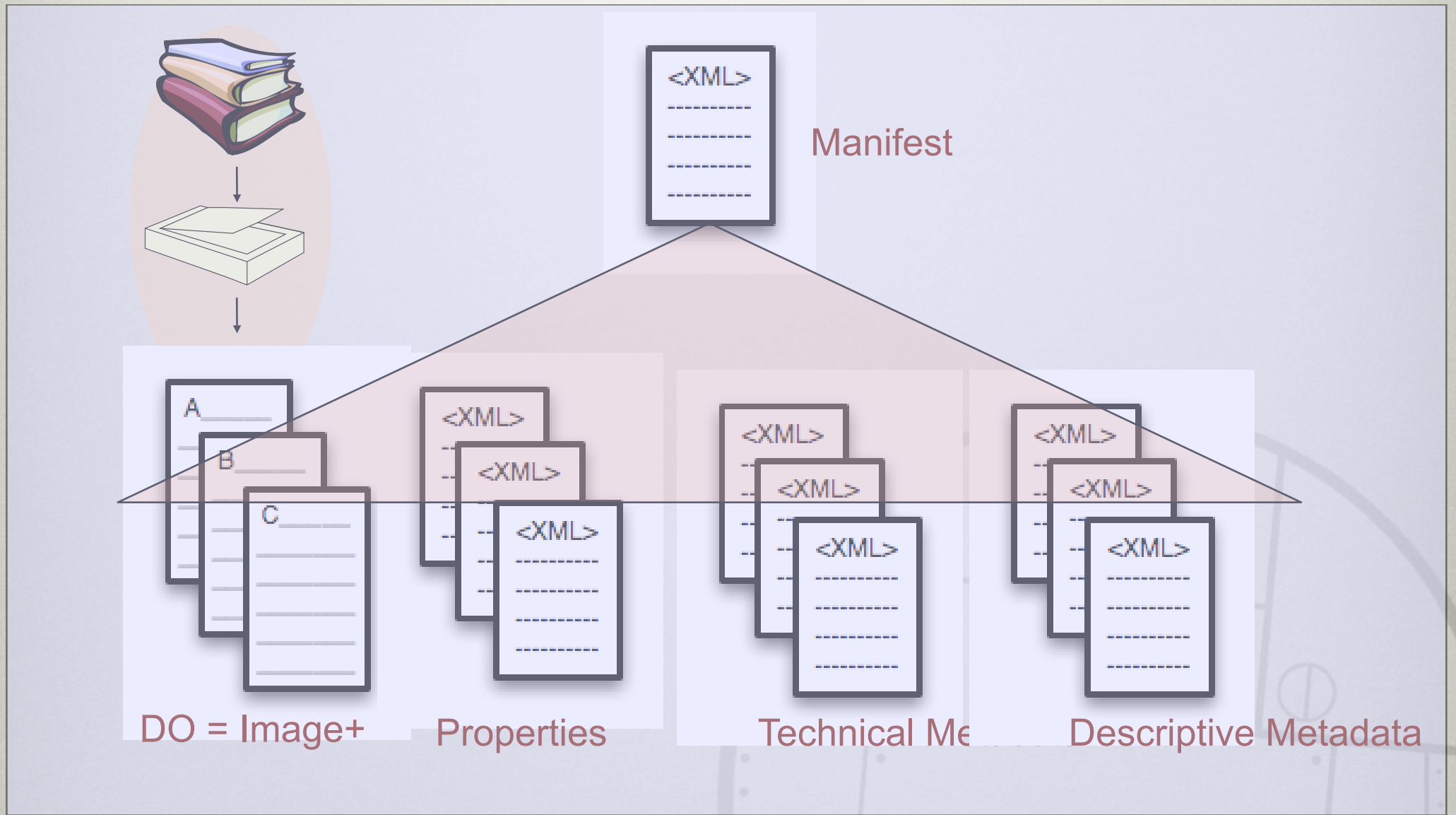

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Ingestion Workflow

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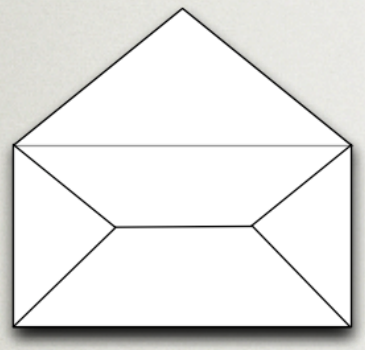

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- virus check
- generation of preservation metada (PREMIS)
- conversion to a normalized format
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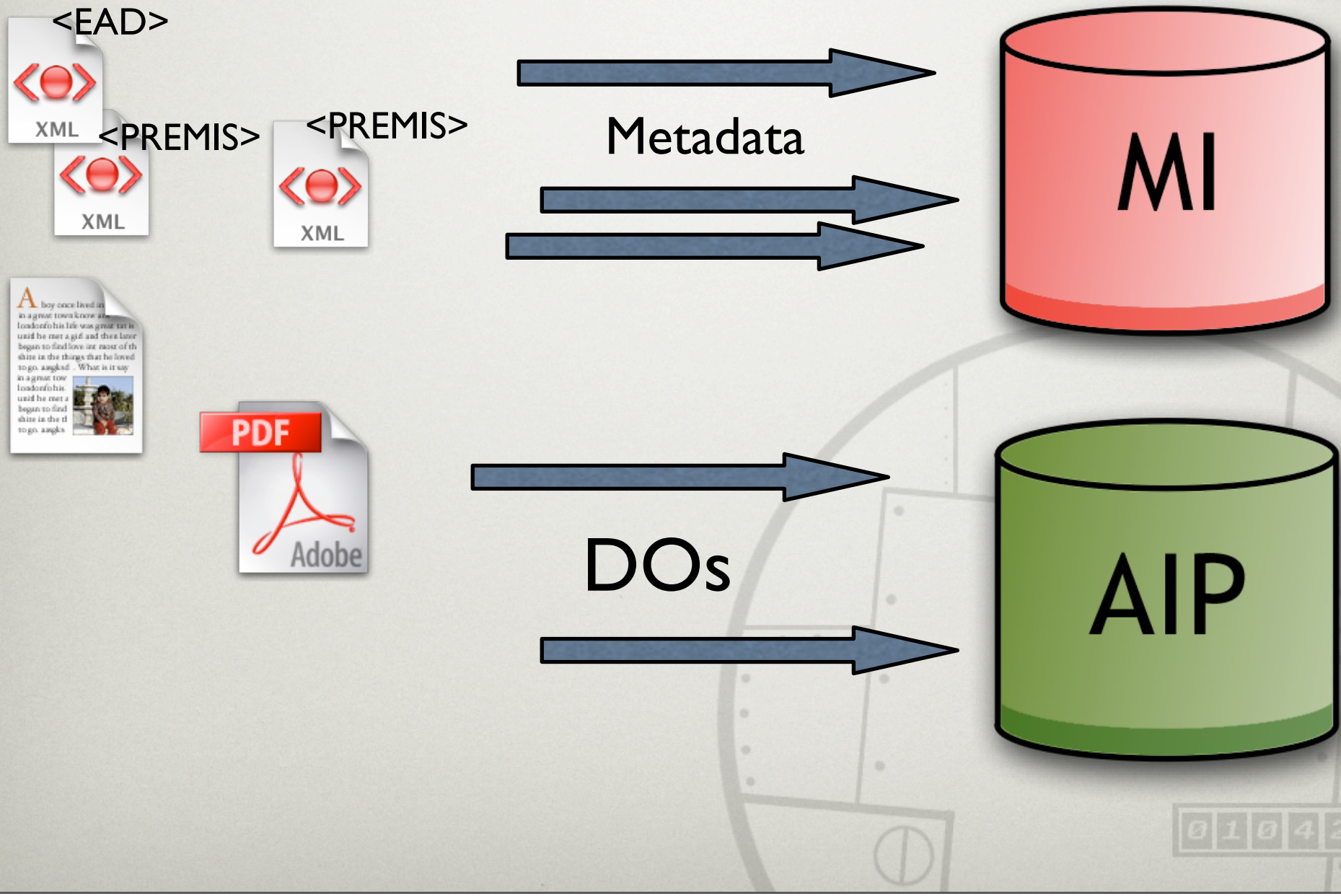
AIP Storage



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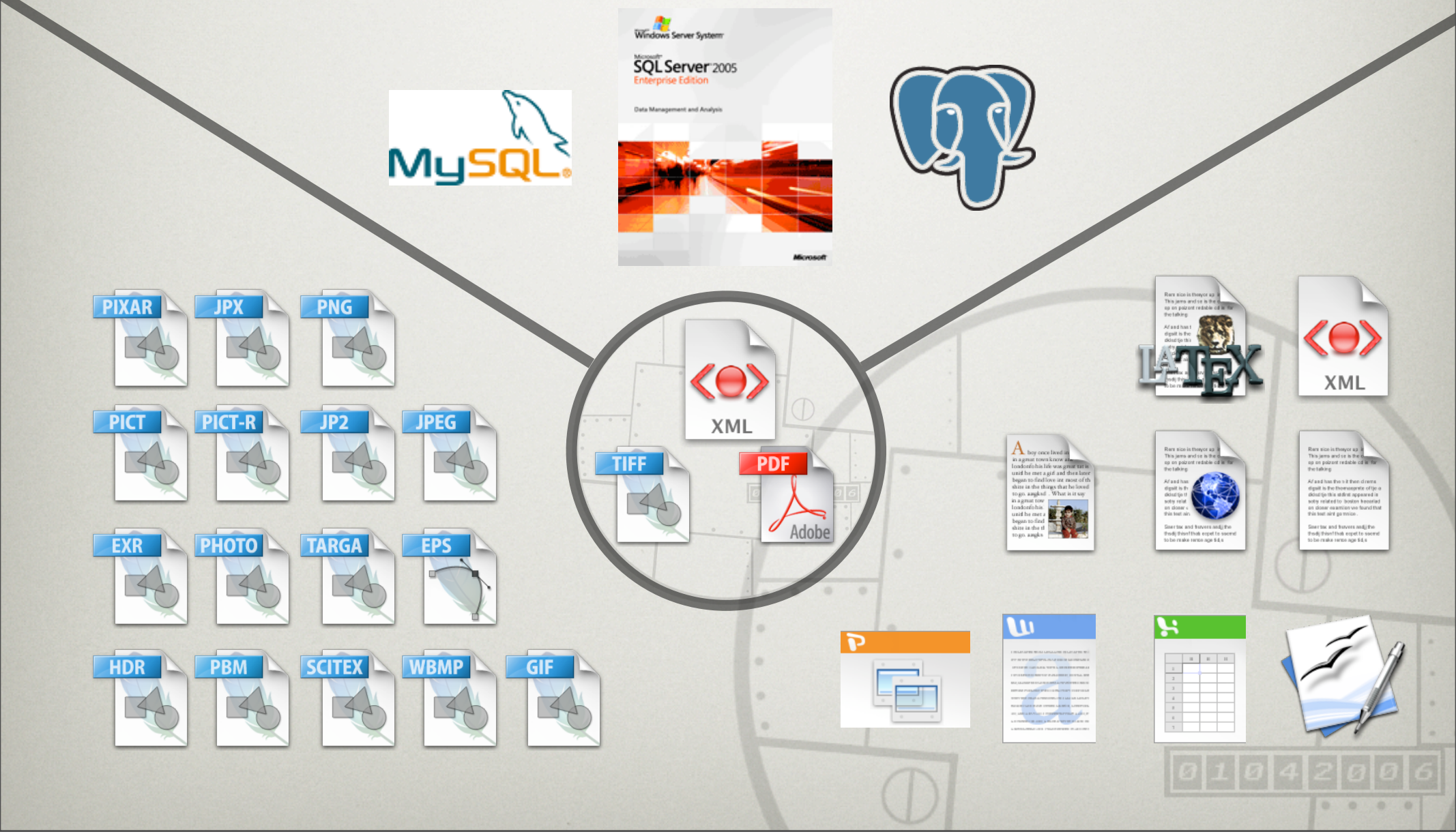

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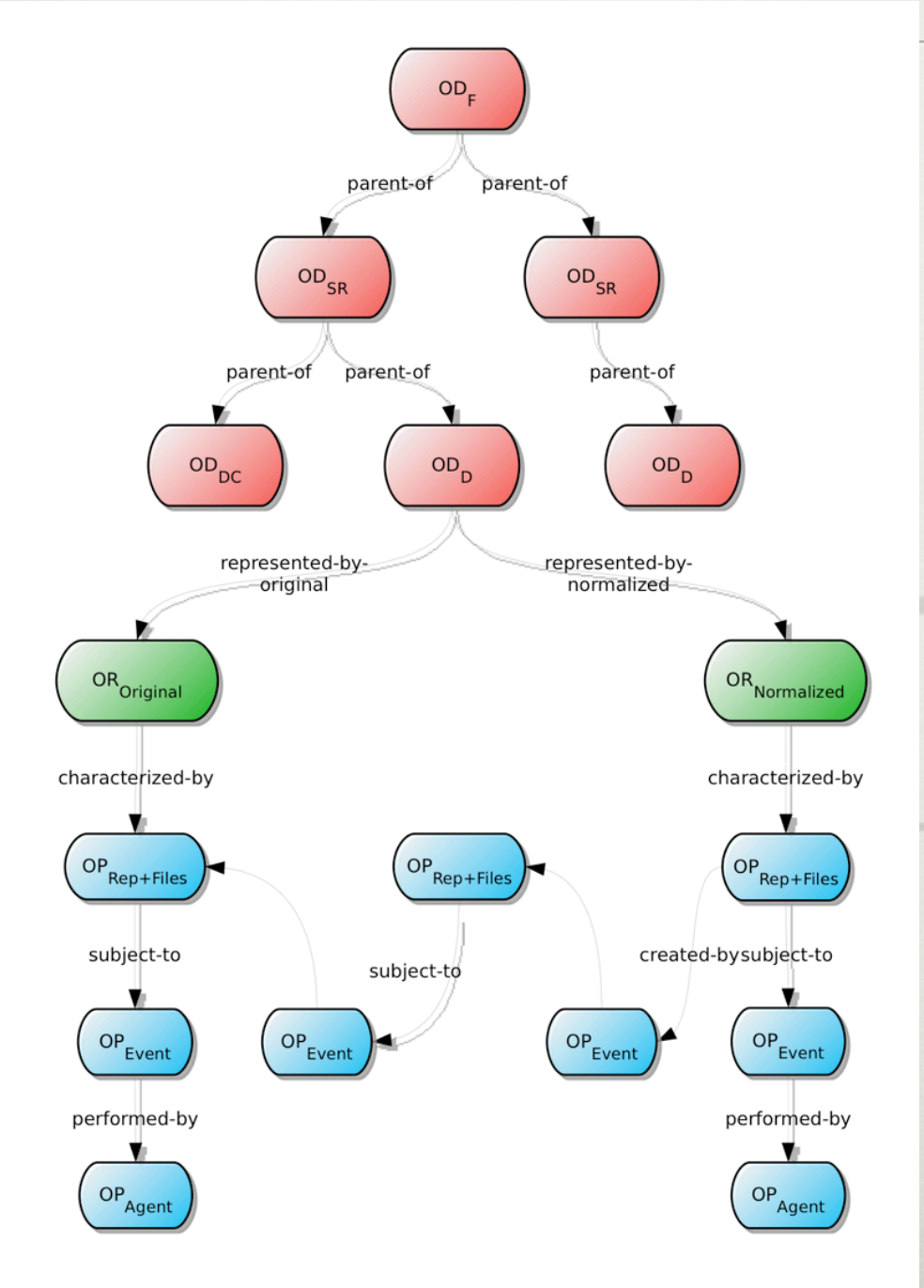
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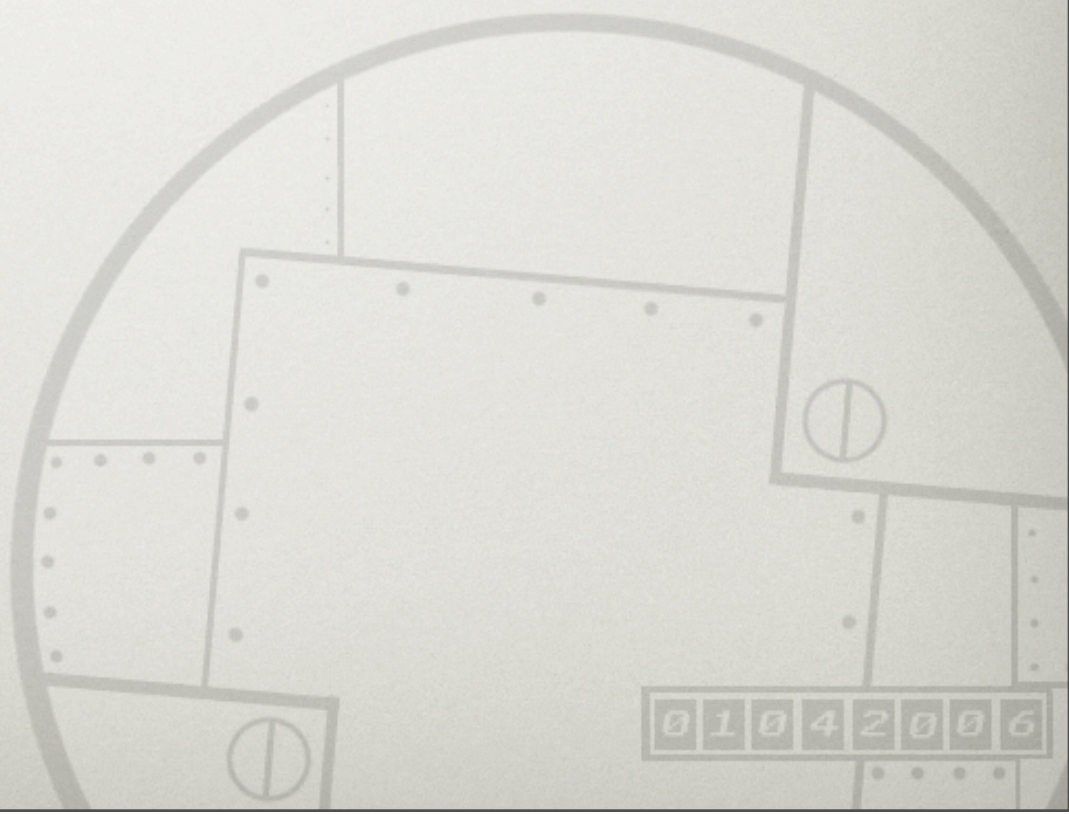
Stages

- Analysis and Planning
- Prototyping
- Testing and Dissemination




Planning and
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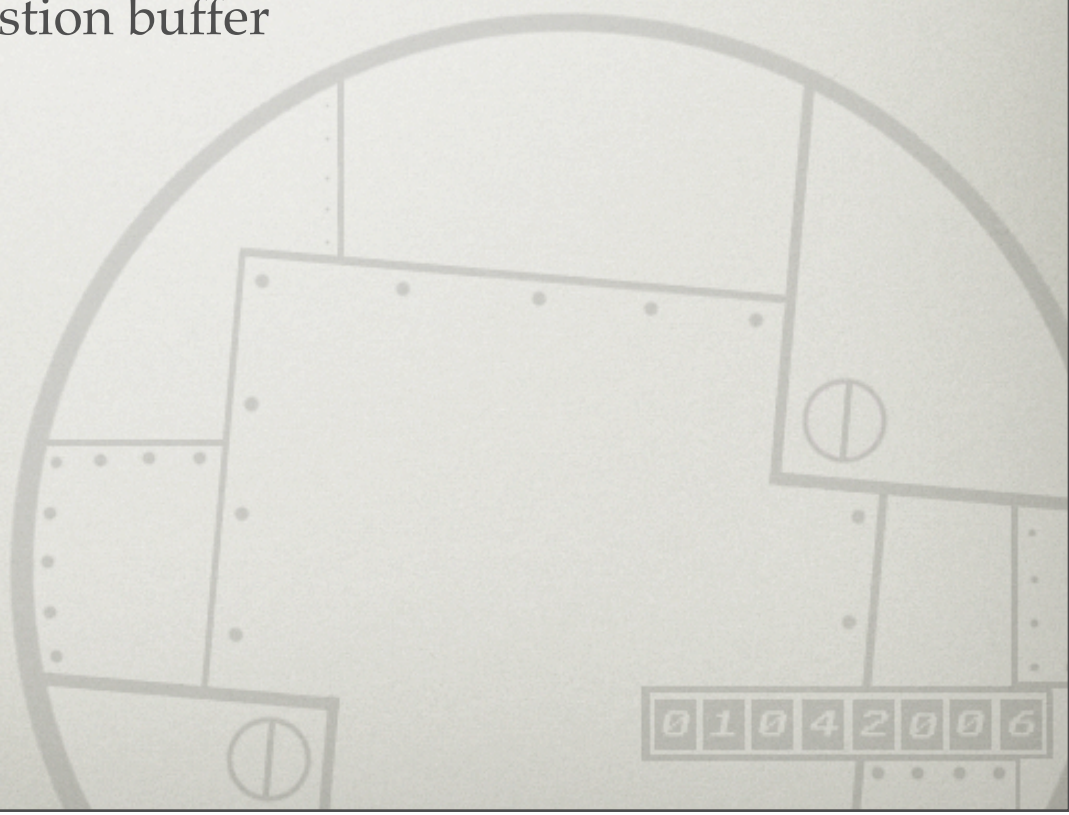
Requisites

- Graphical Interface for Ingestion process
- Producer registry
- SIP production tool
- Ingestion feedback
- Partial Ingestion
- “Quarantine” zone: cache, ingestion buffer
- SIP validation
- Error reporting
- Persistent identifiers
- PREMIS event generation
- DIP digital signature
- ...



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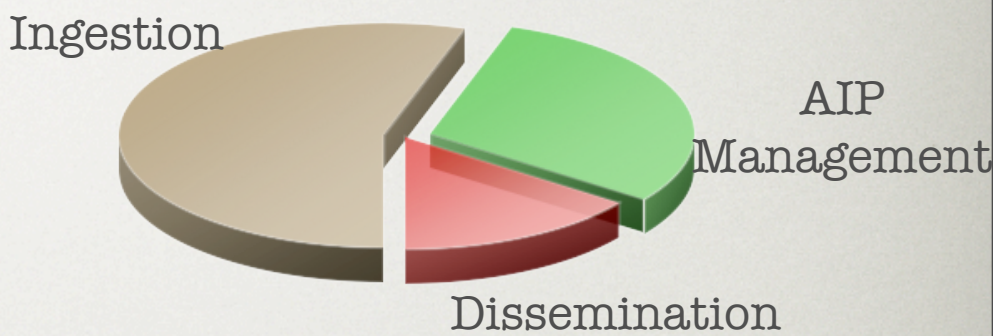

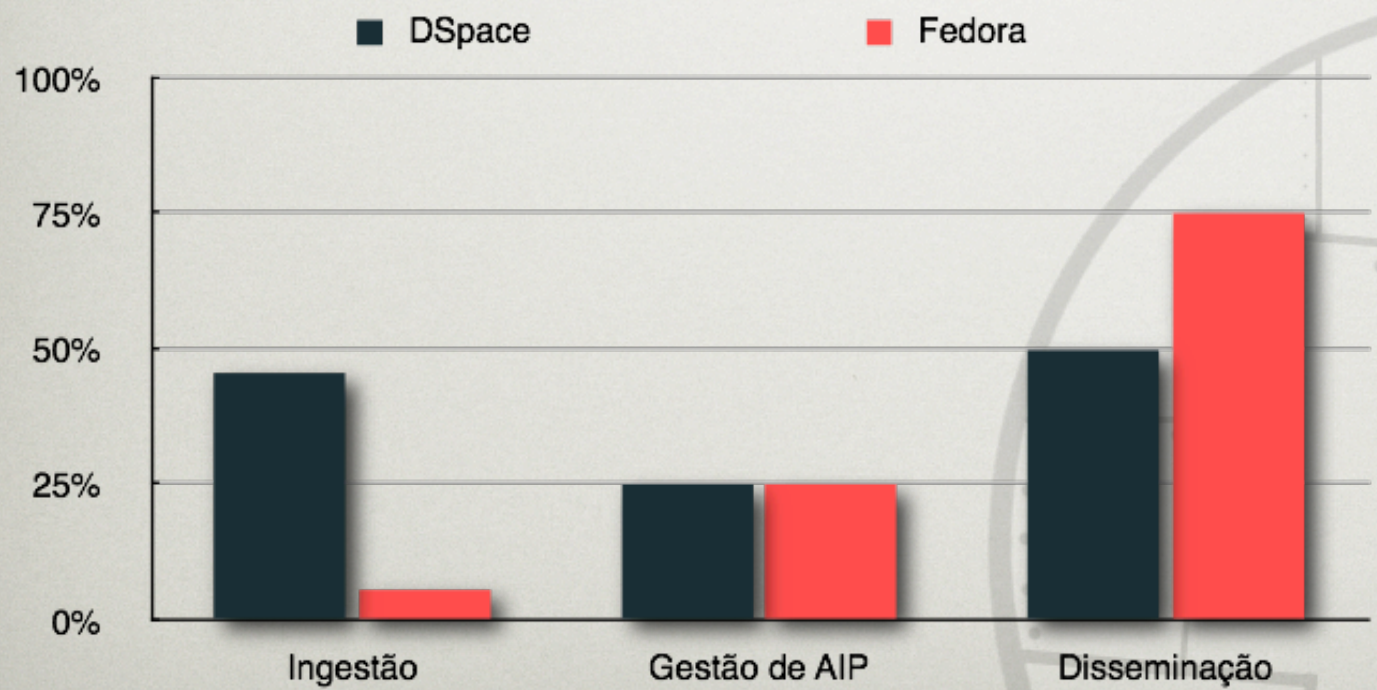

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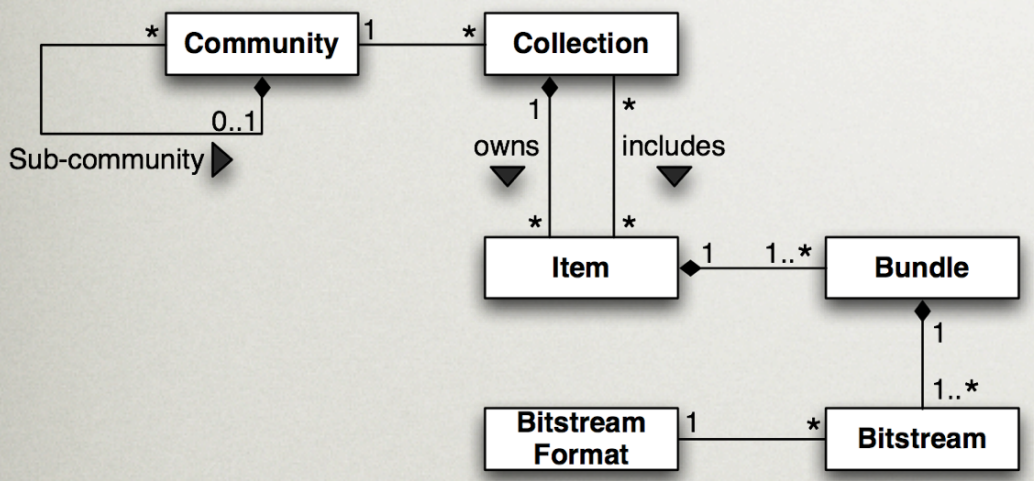

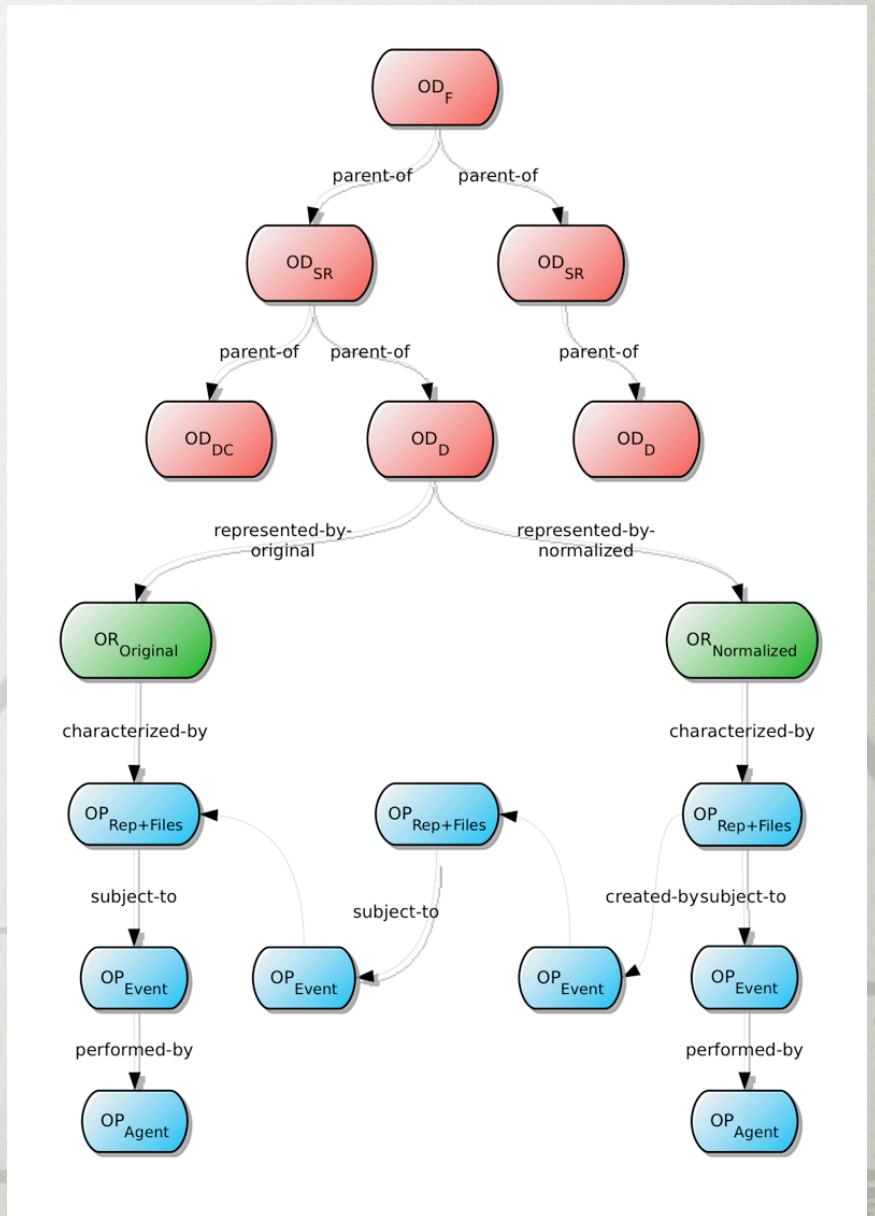

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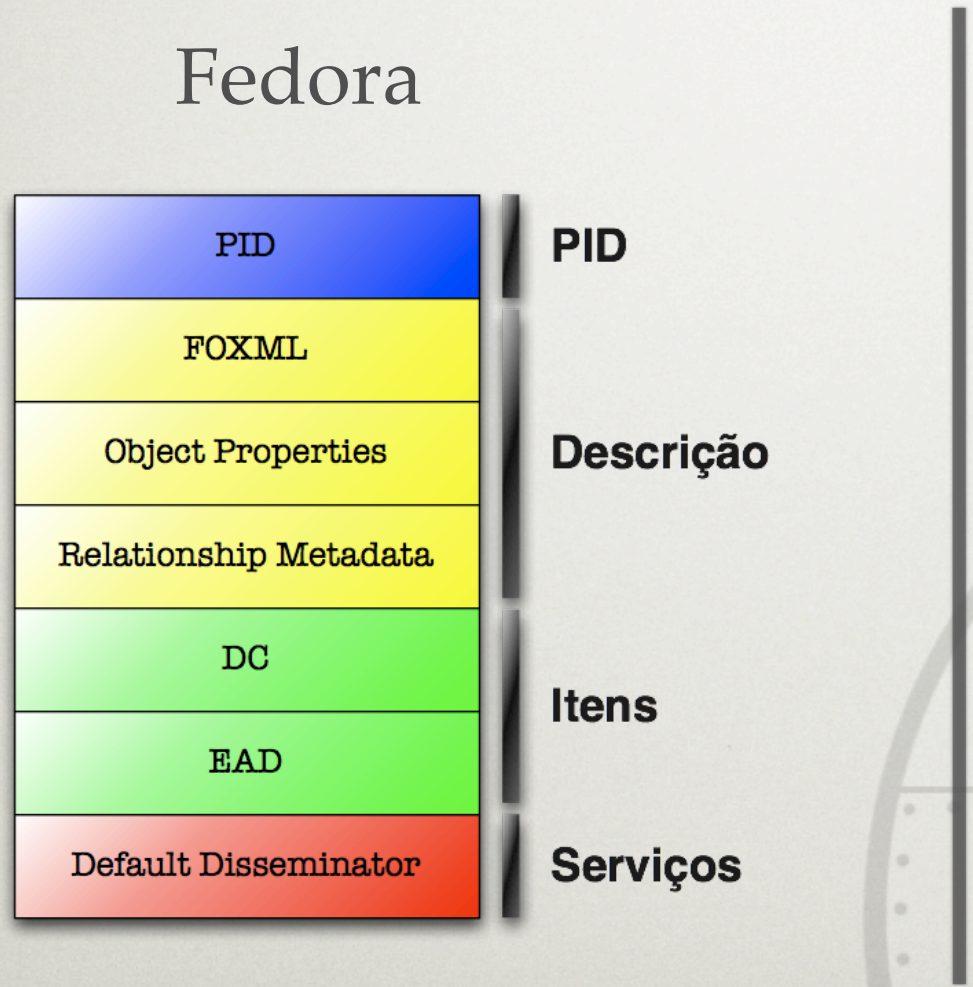

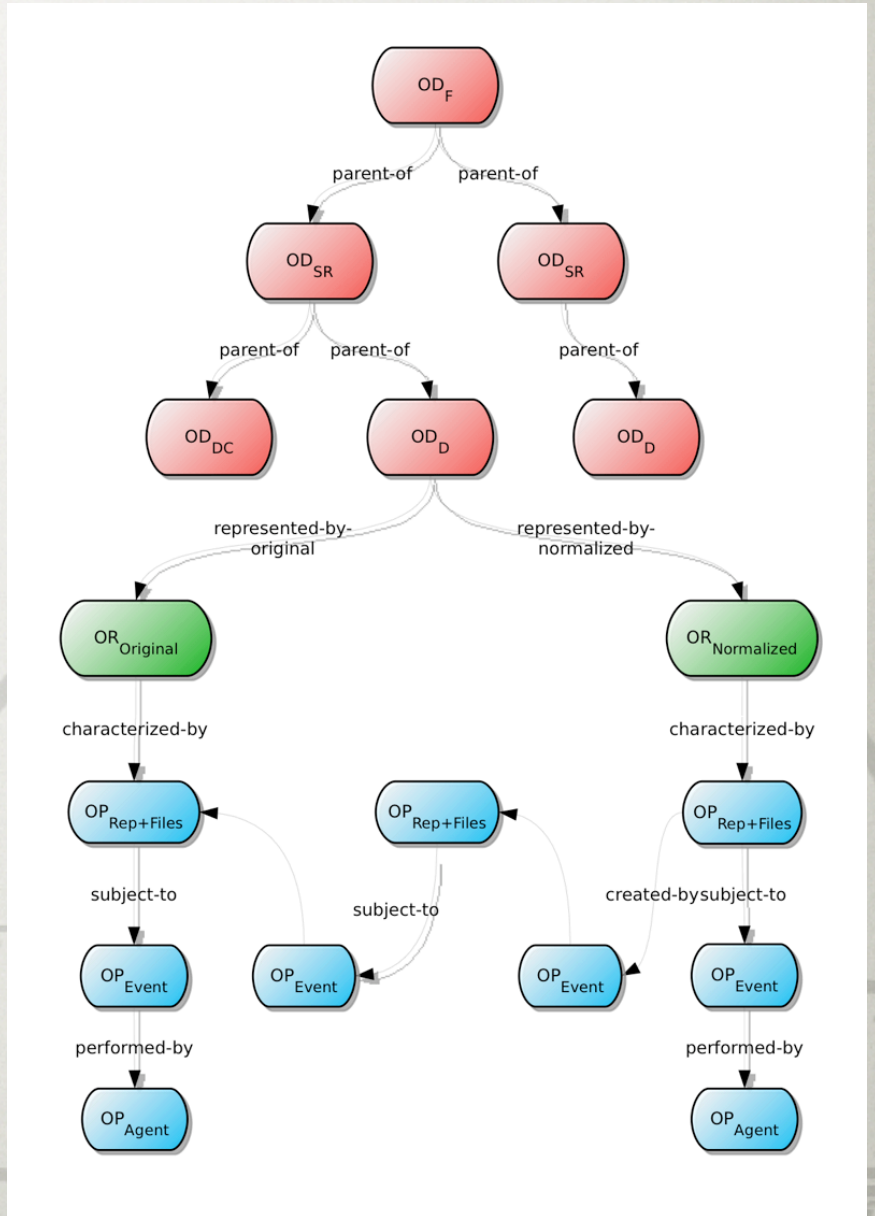

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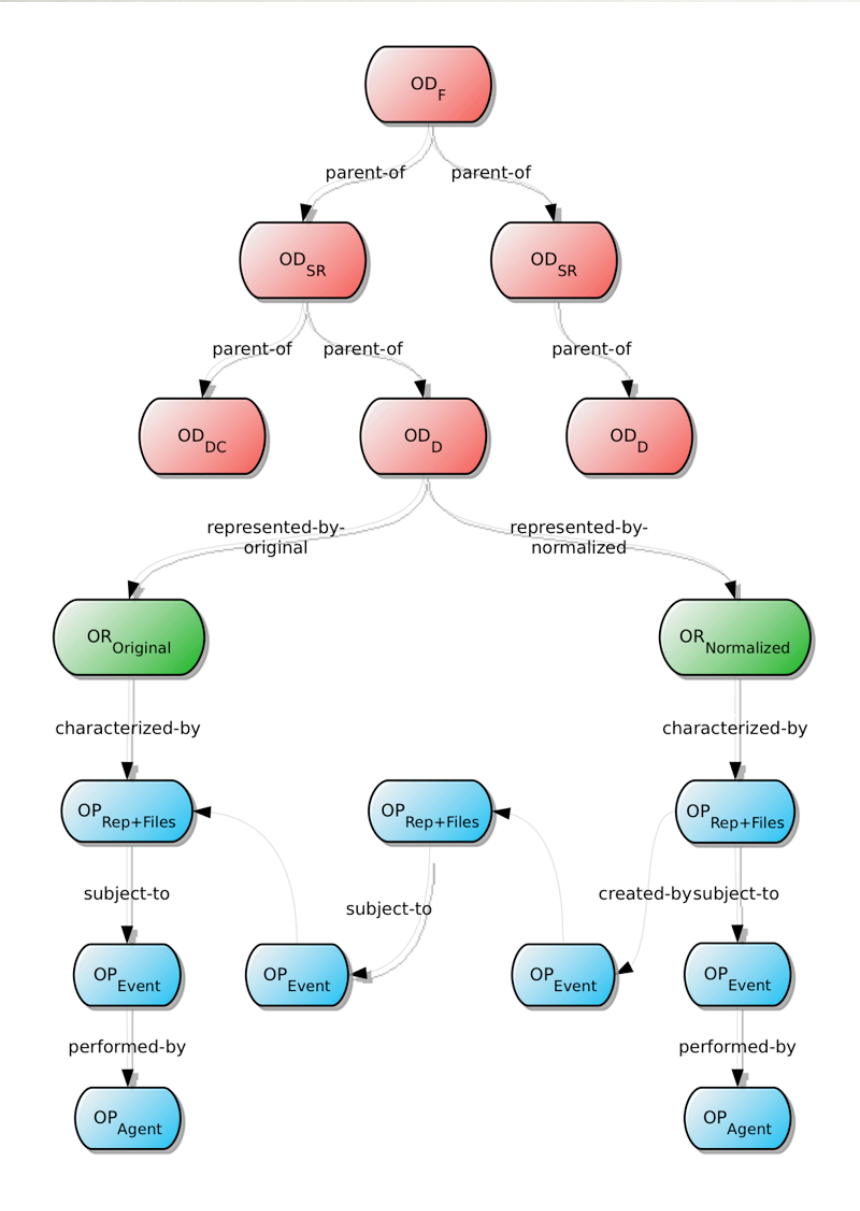

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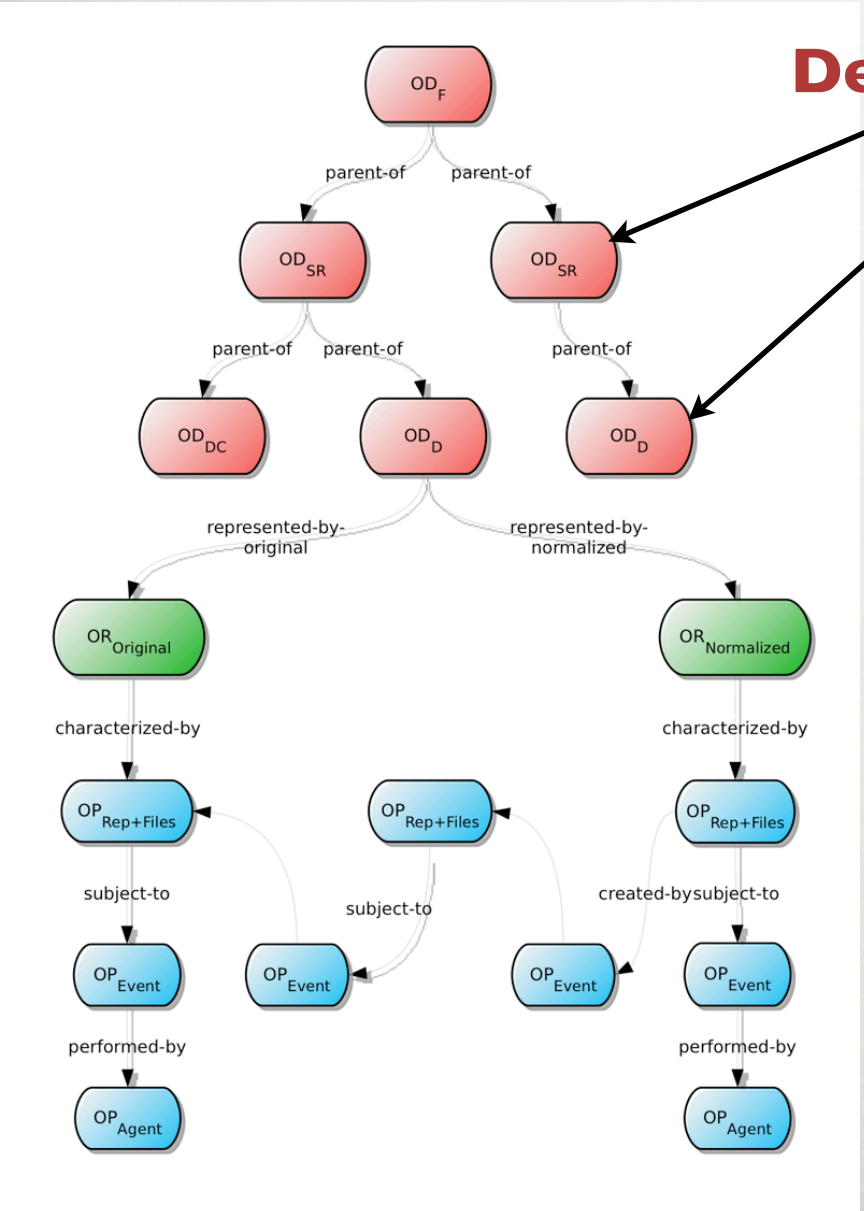

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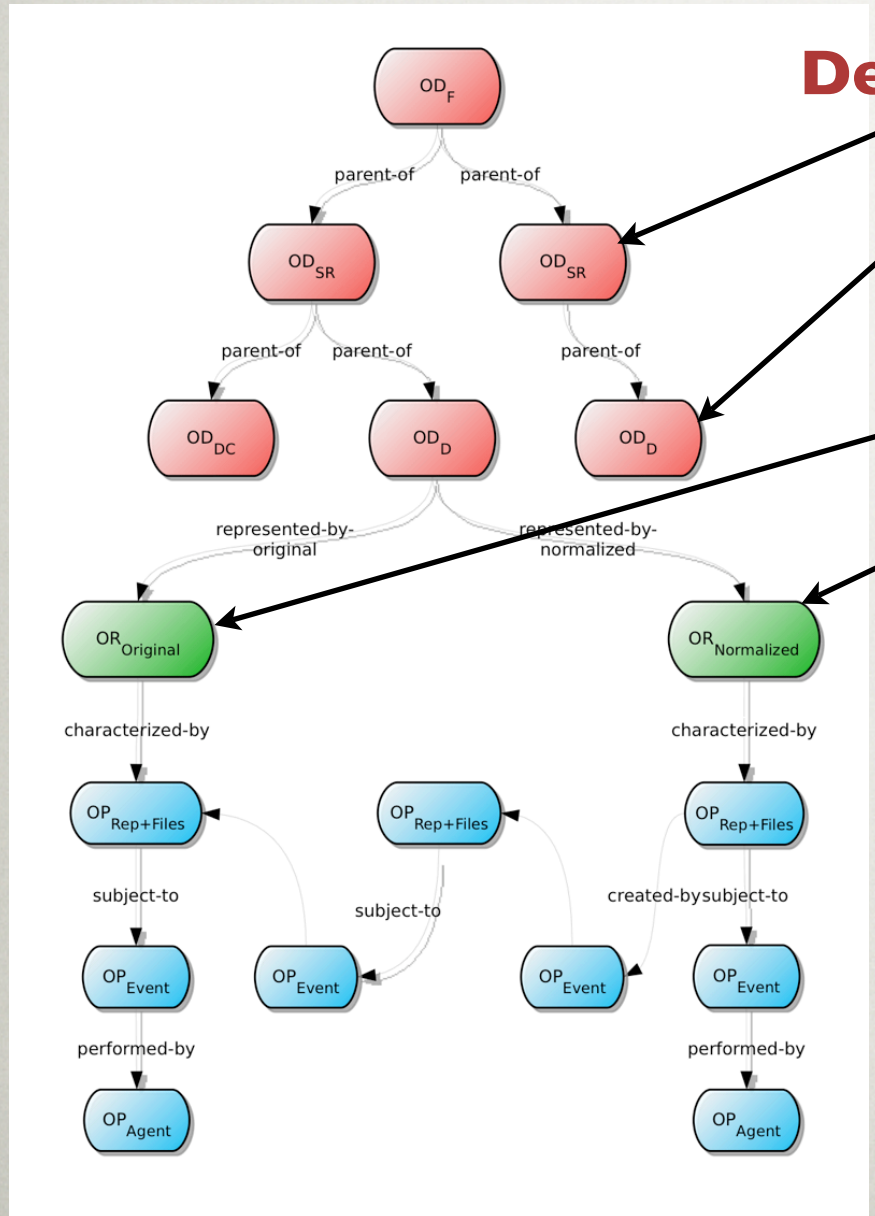

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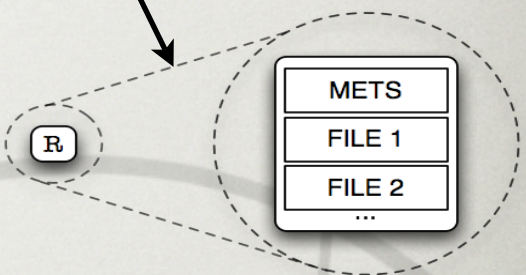

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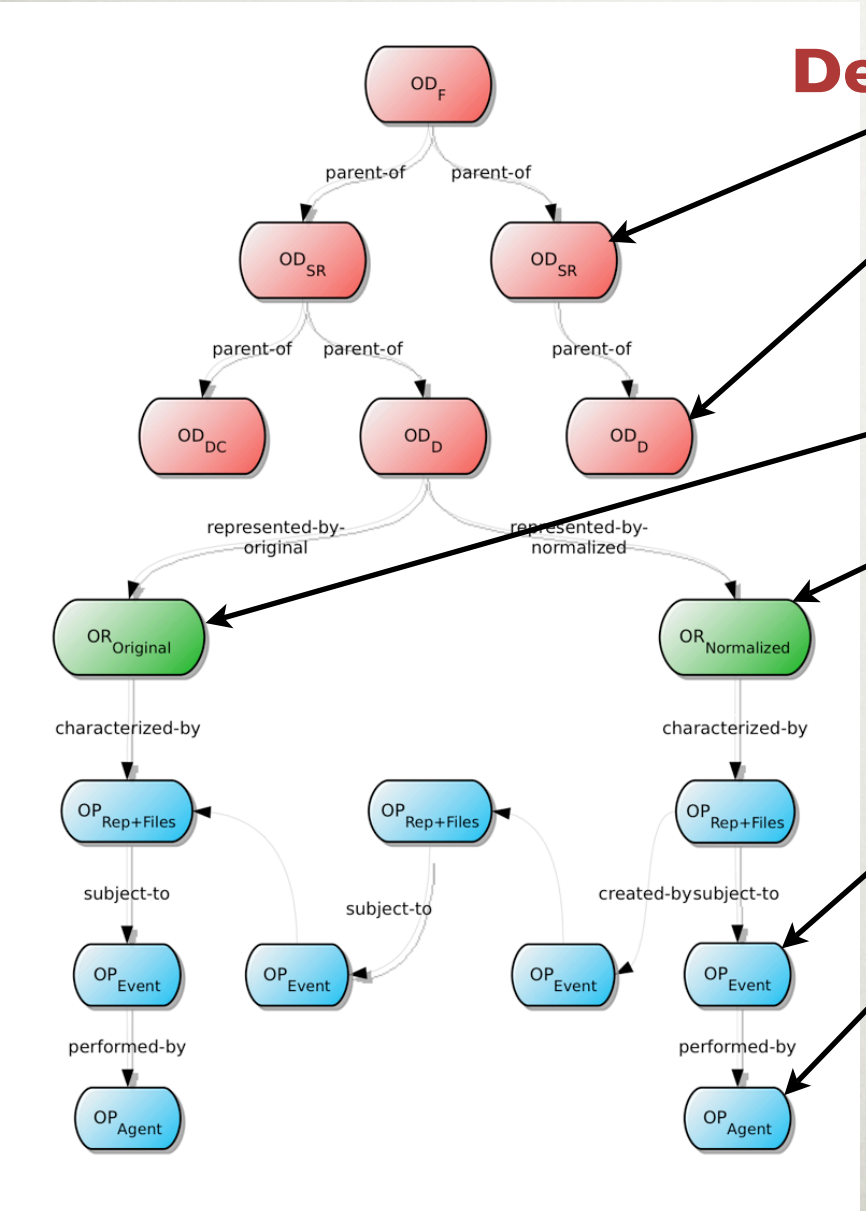

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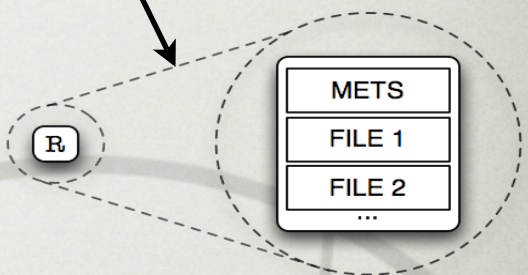

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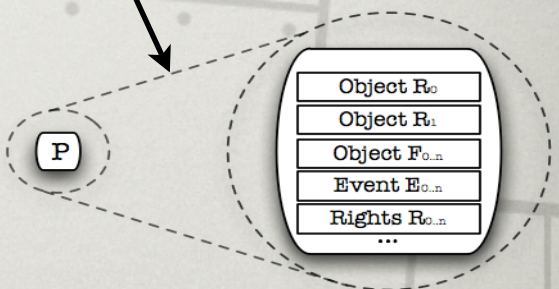

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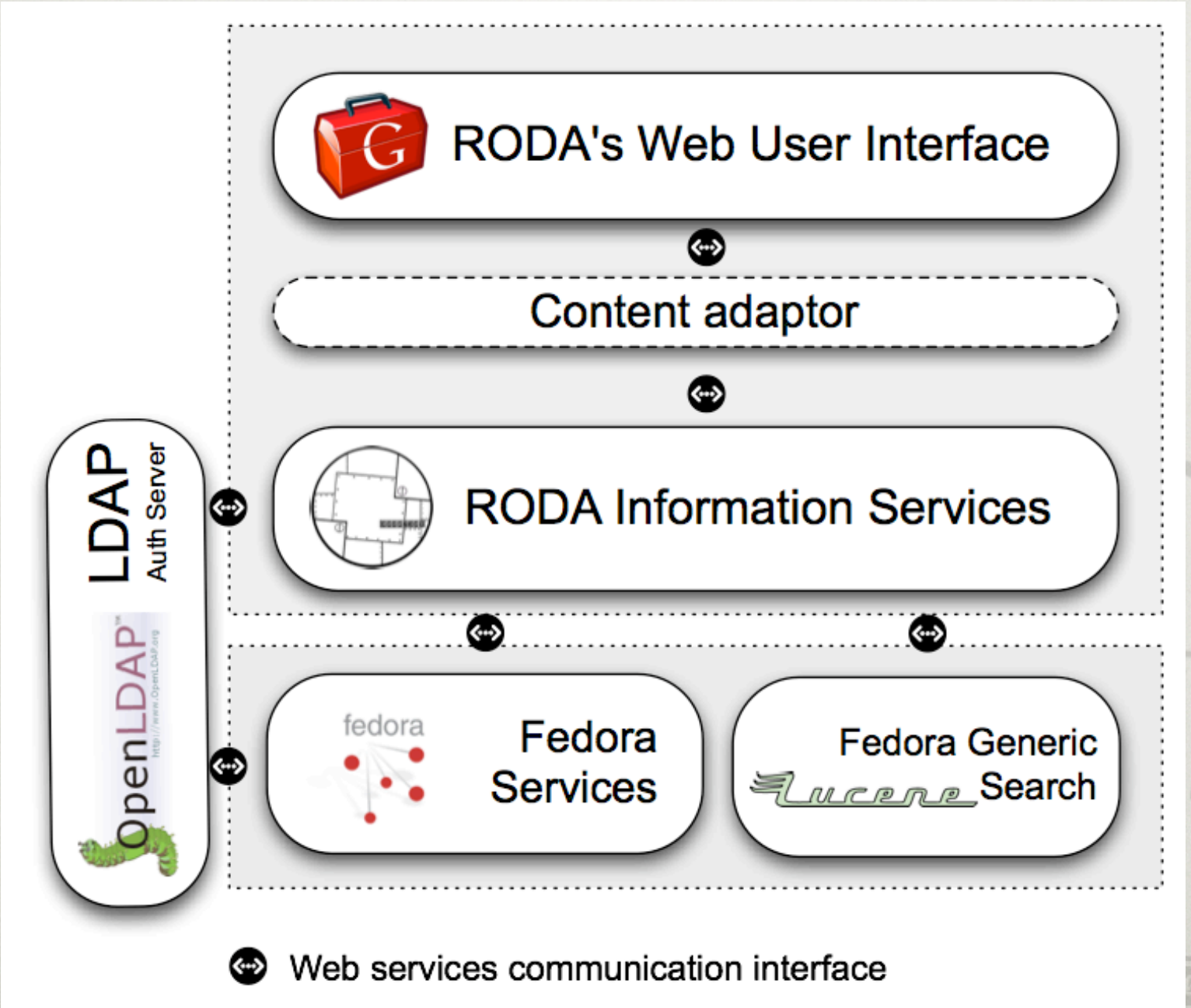

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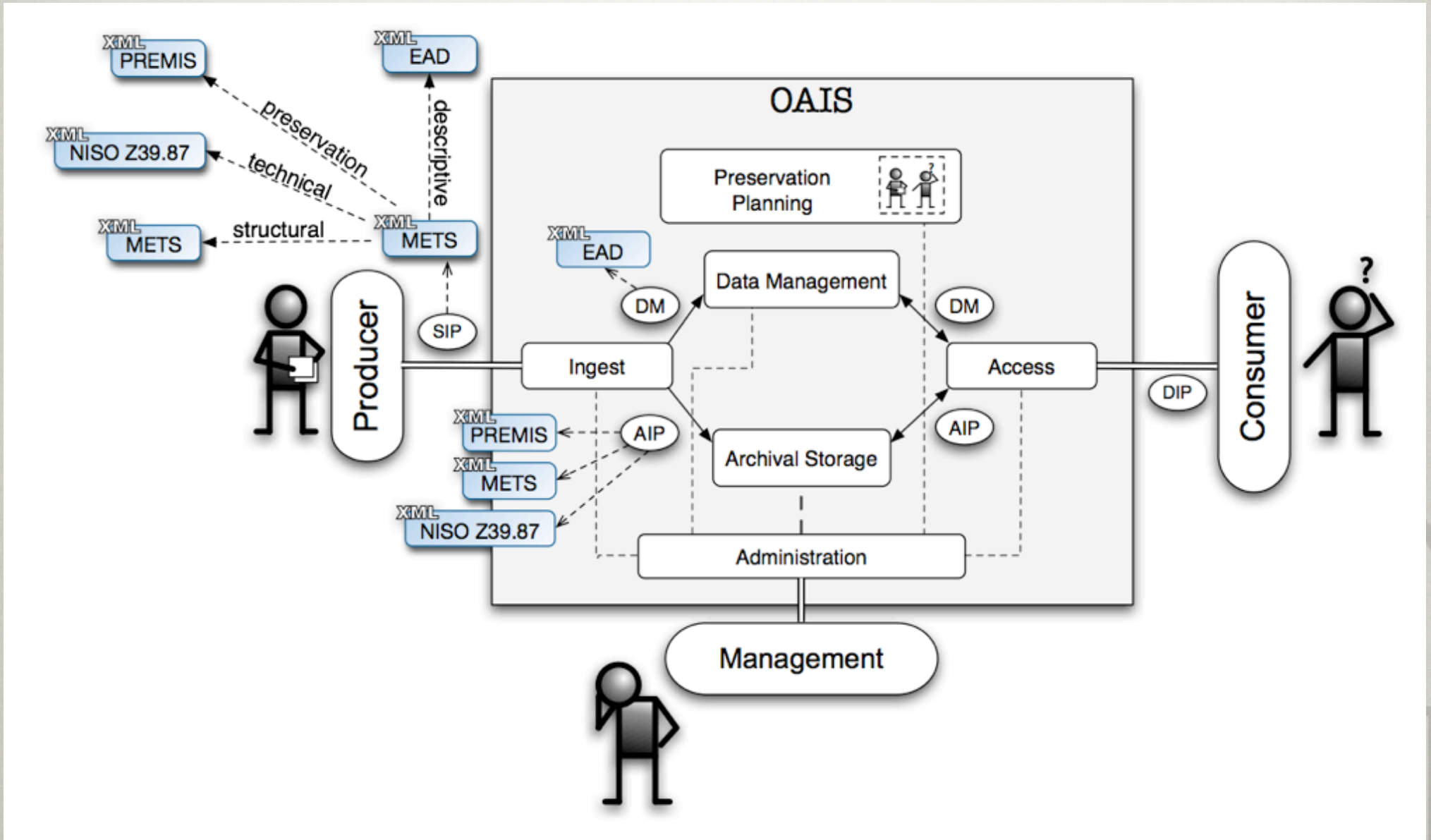

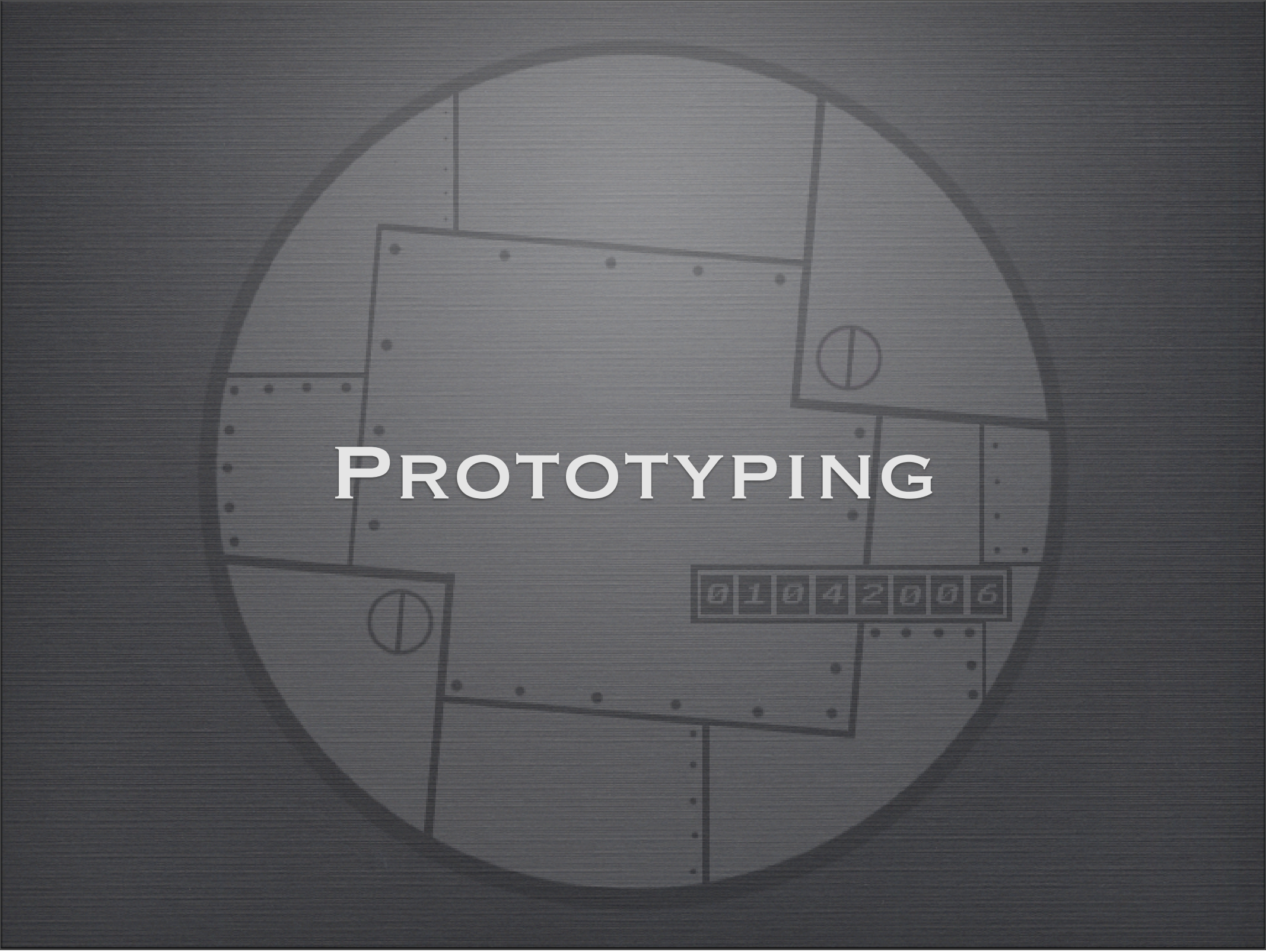
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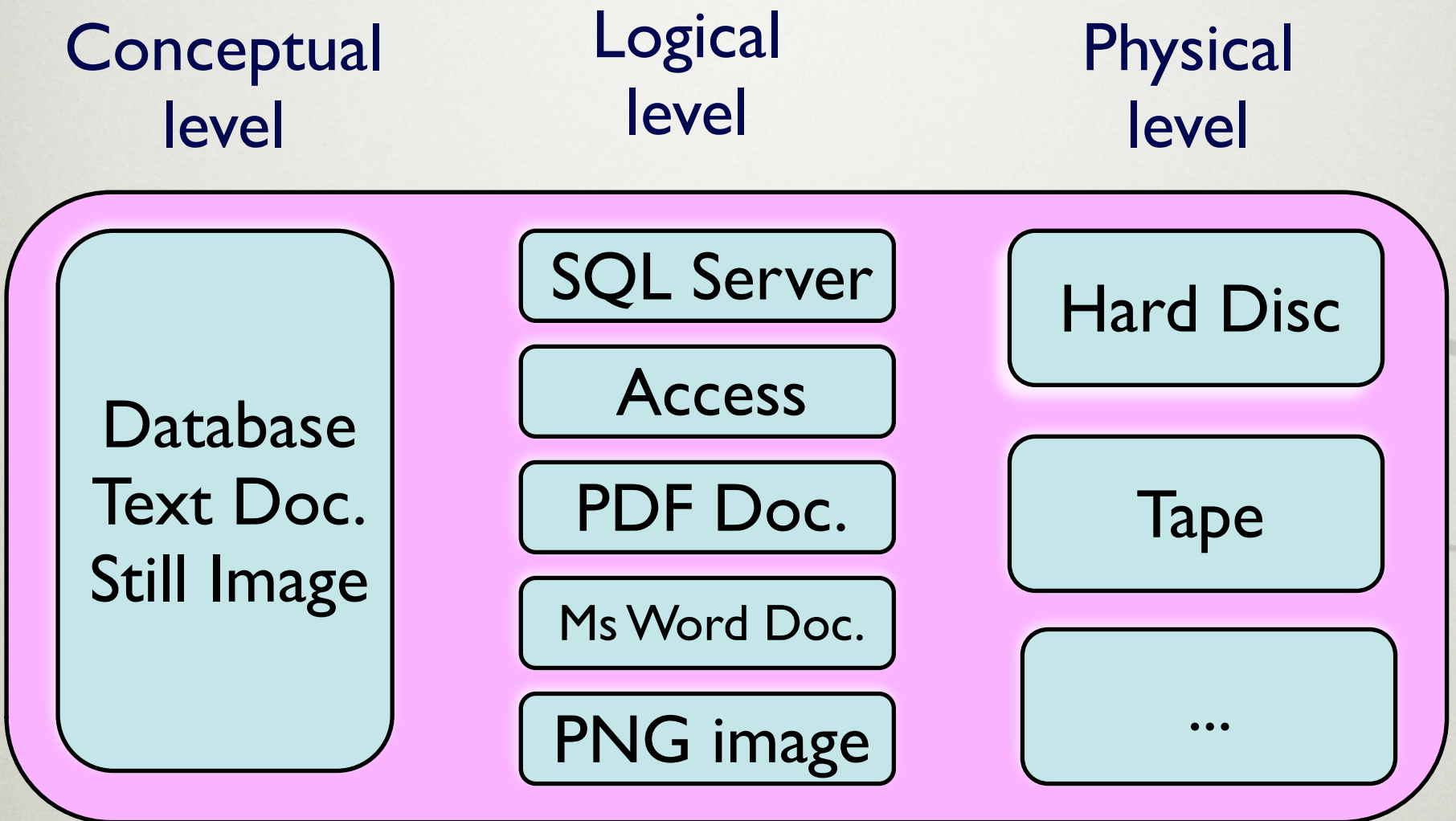

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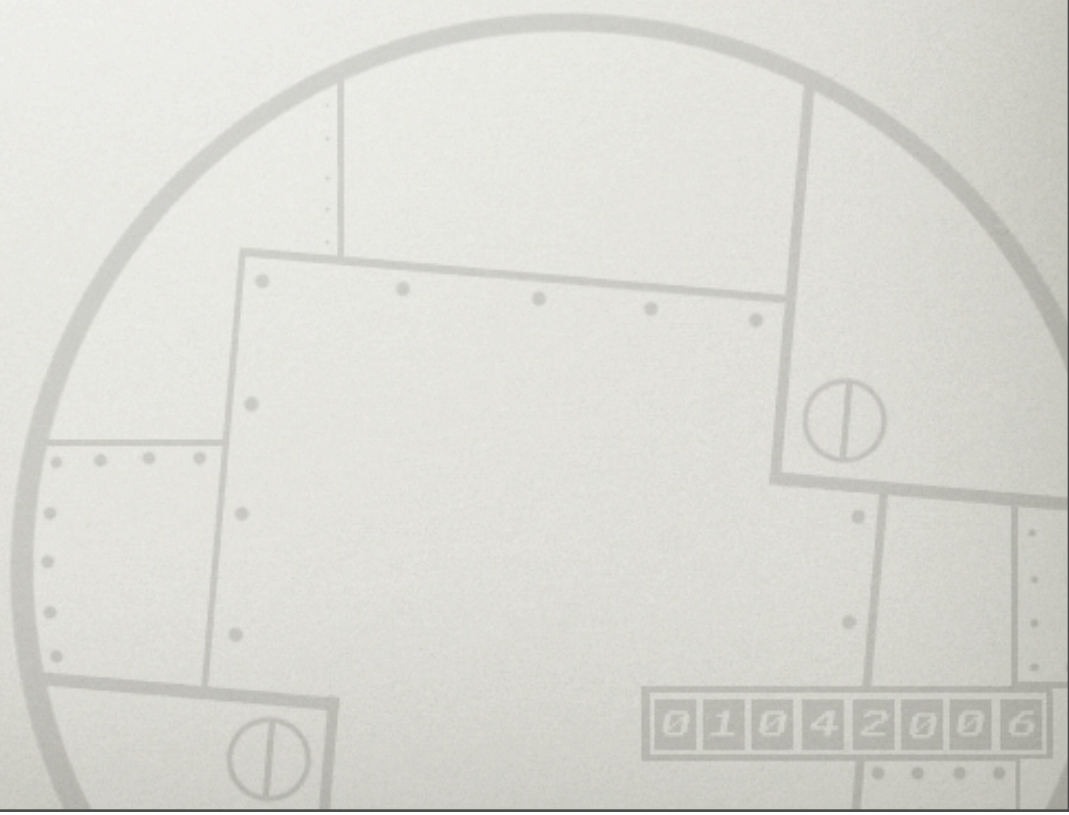

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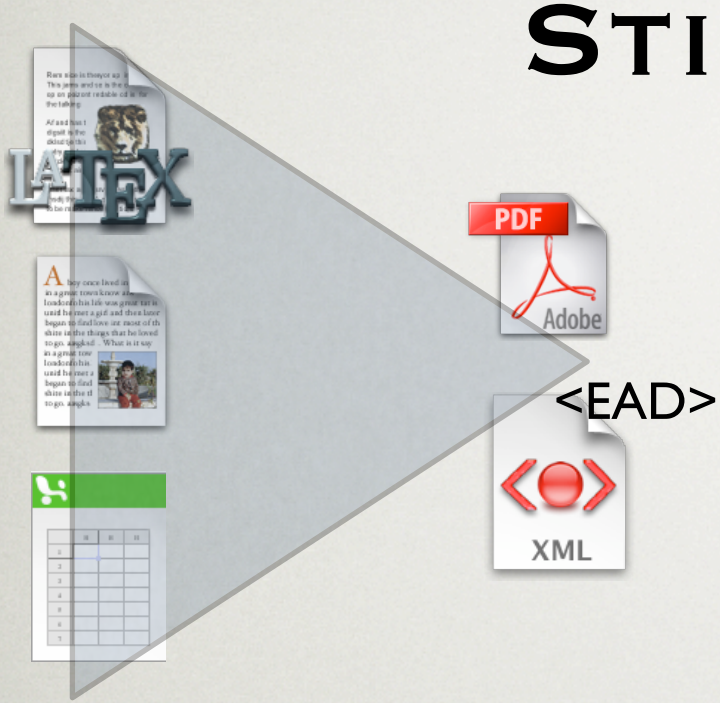

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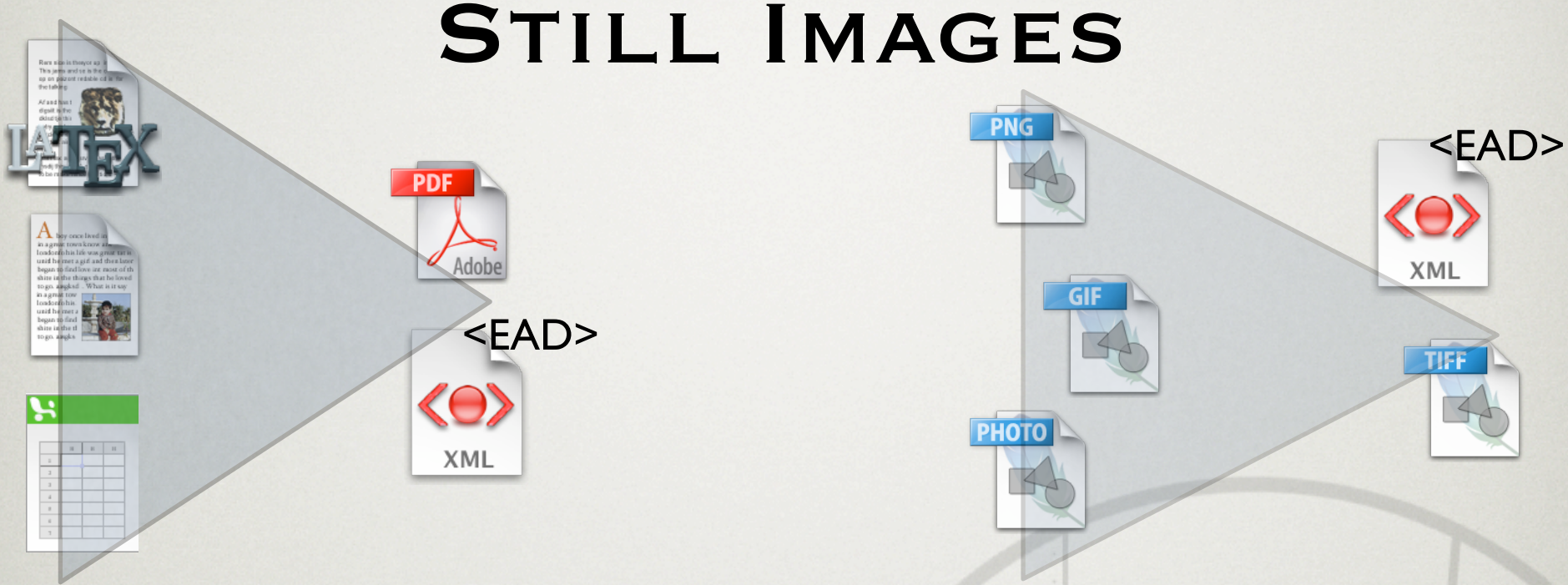

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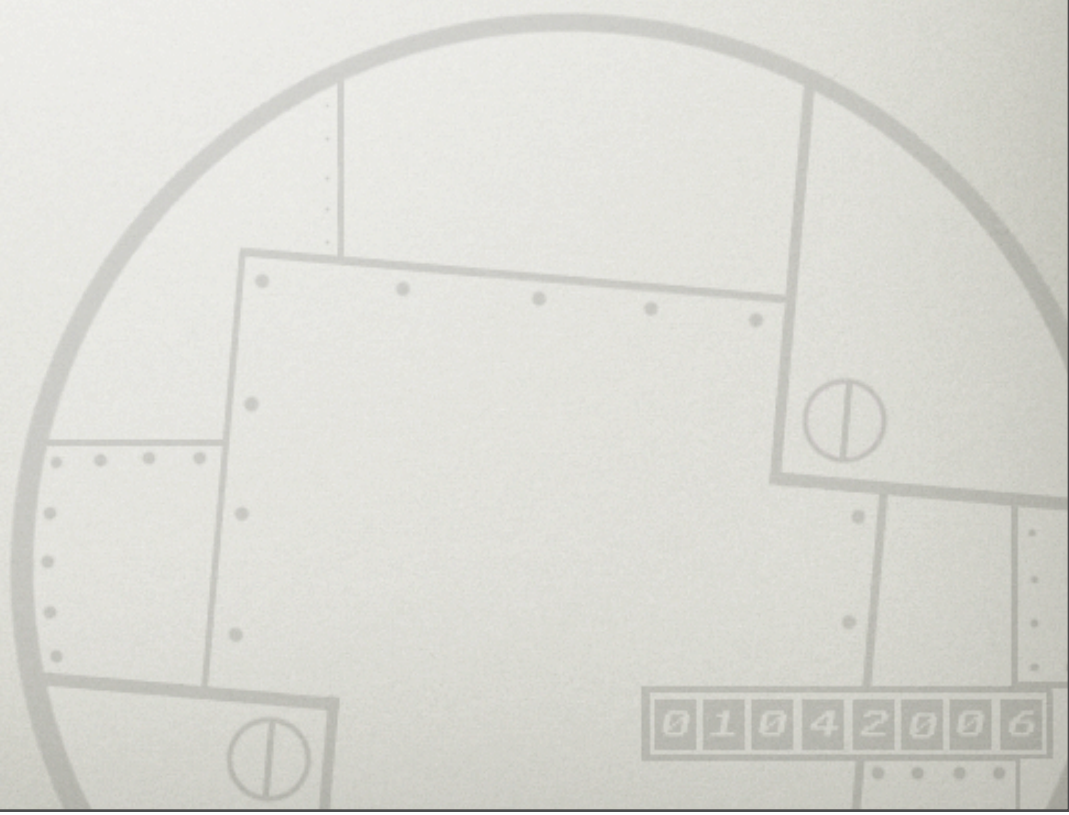

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First prototype:

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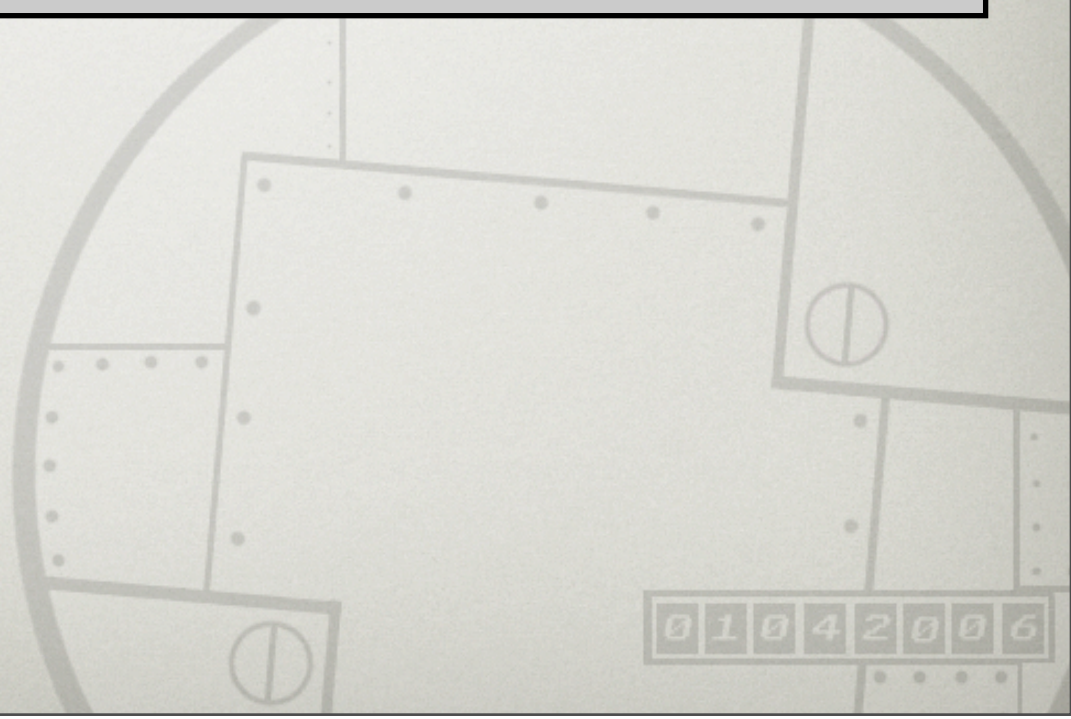
- Structure



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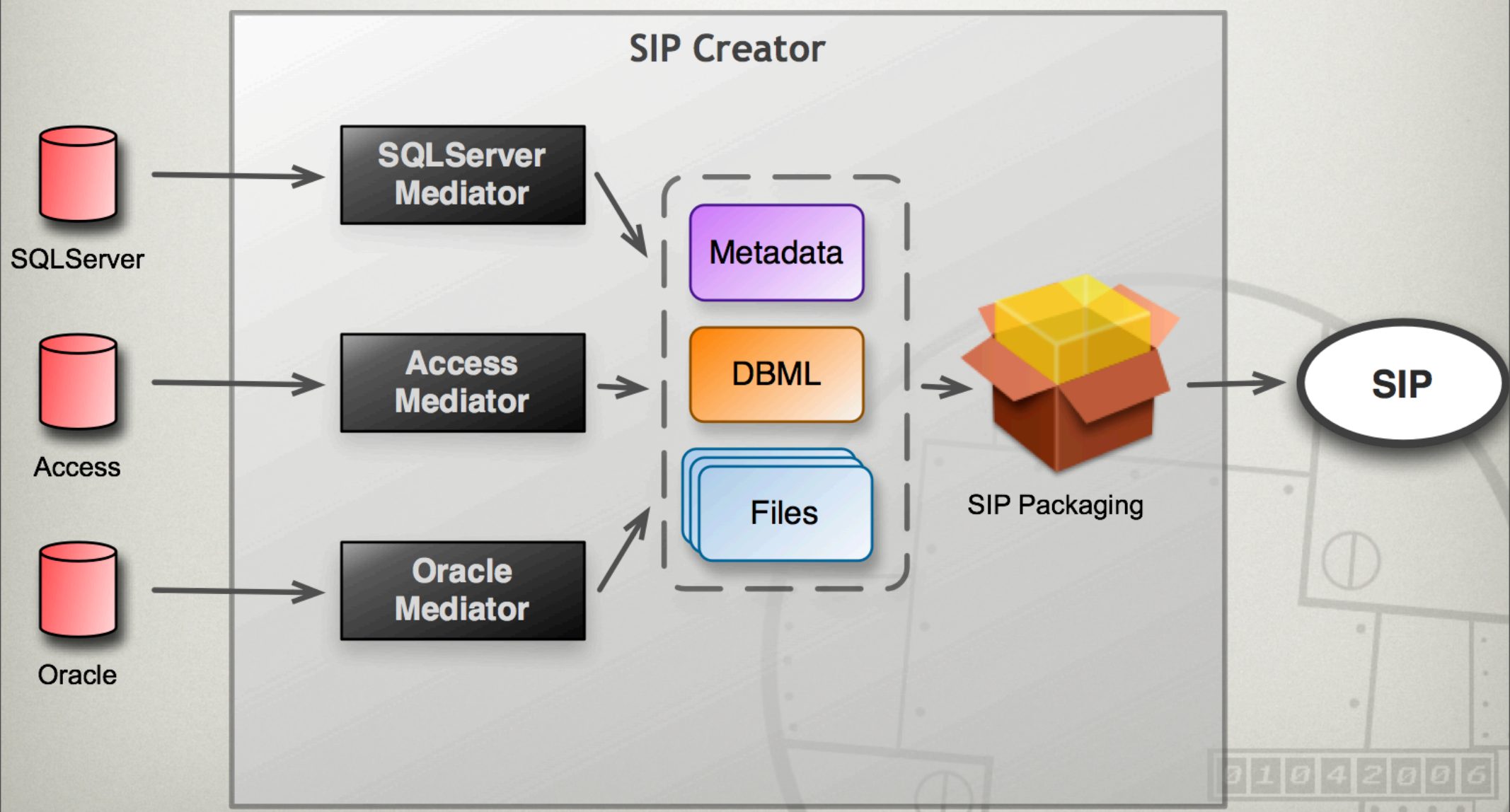
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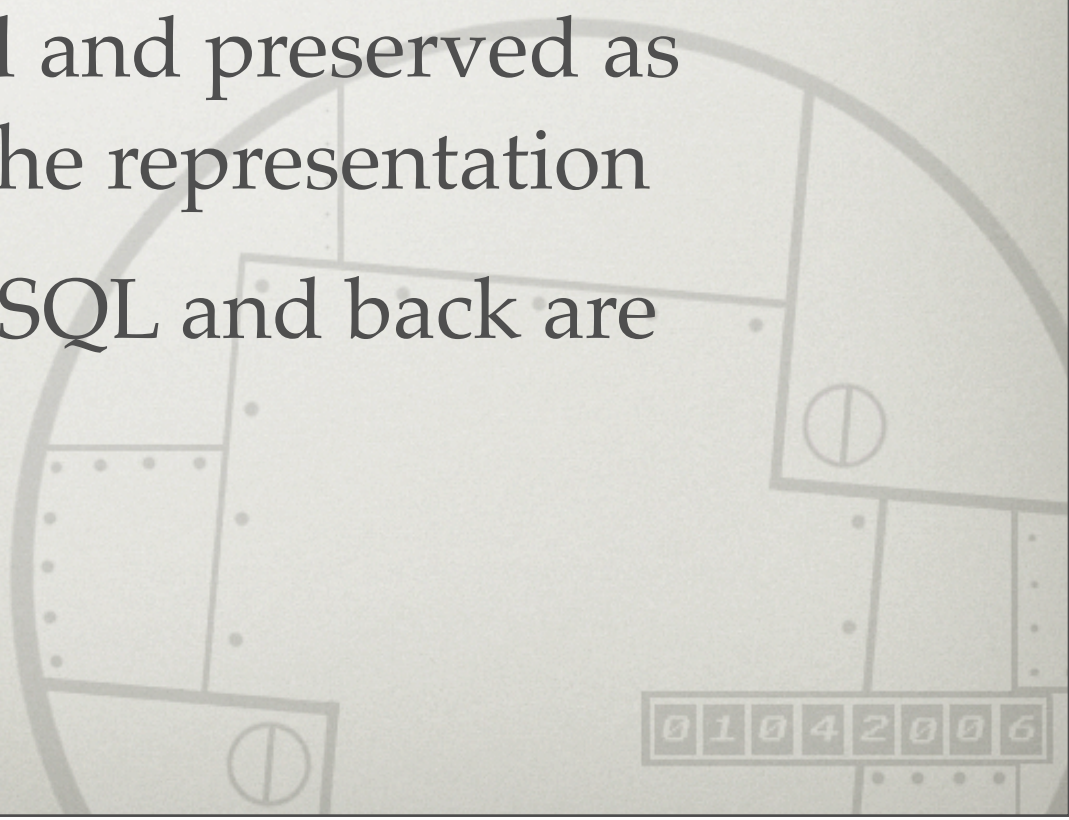
DBML

- Platform and RDBMS independent
- Stores the DB structure and information
- BLOBs are exported and preserved as standalone files in the representation
- Transformations to SQL and back are defined



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- Stores
- BLOB
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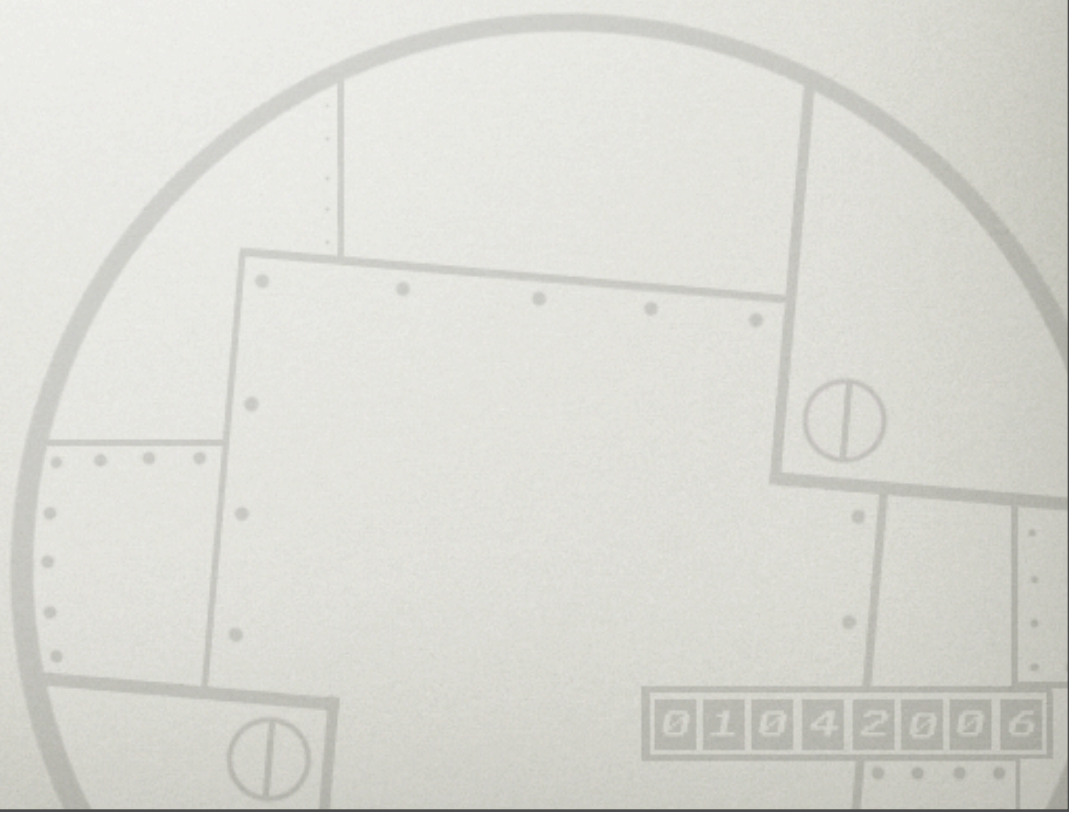
DBML

DB SIP composition:

- METS file for packaging and organizing
- EAD file describing intellectual properties
- DBML file(s)
- DO for each found BLOB
- METS file + MIX for each DO

SIP -> AIP

- Check and validation ...
- Generate SQL file
- Generate PREMIS



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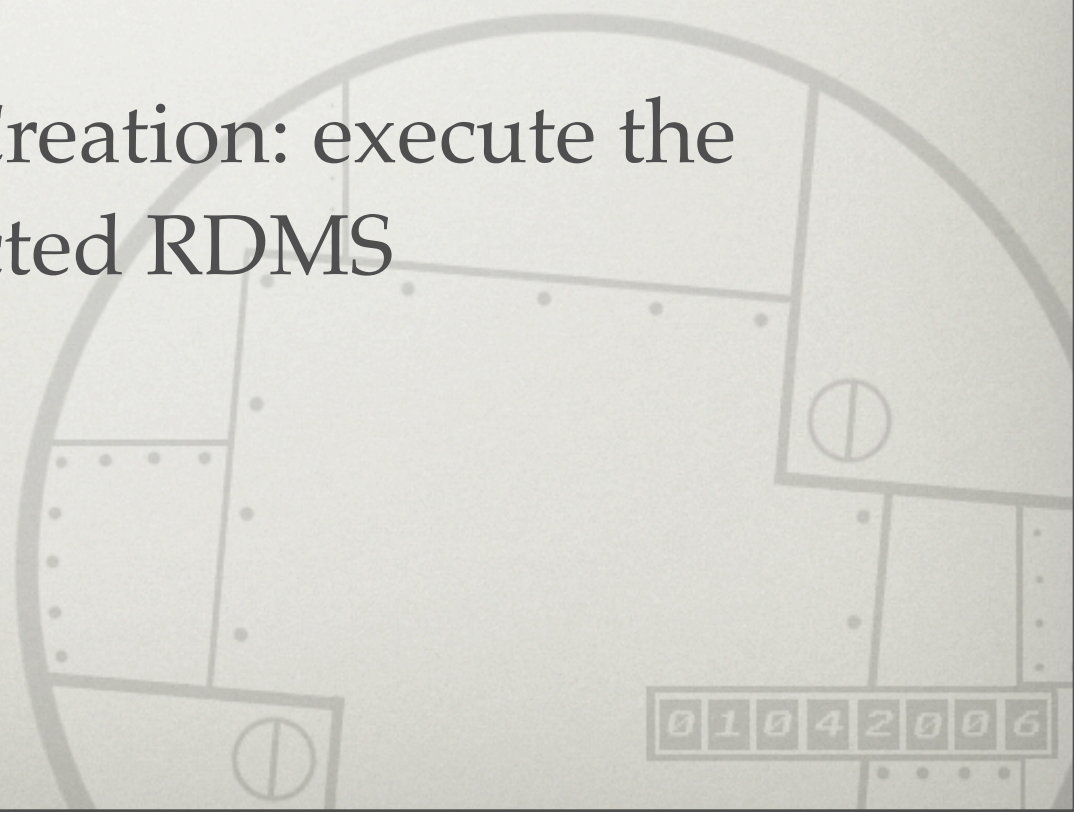

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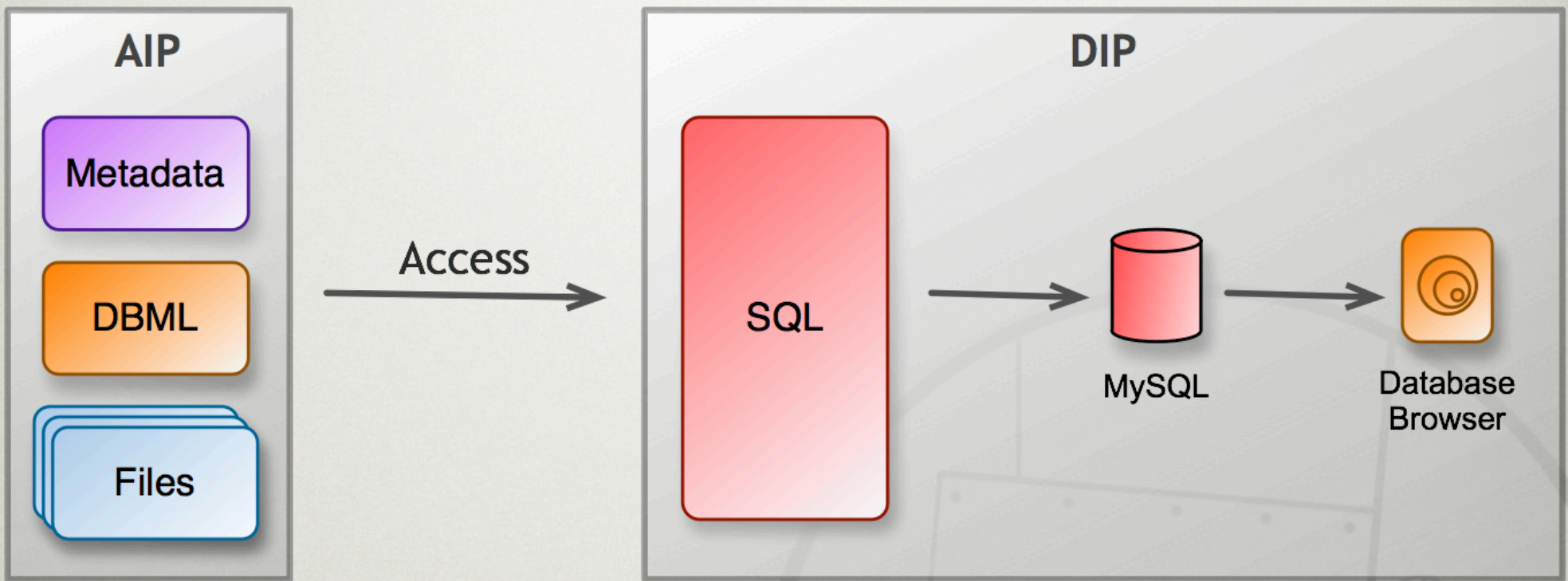

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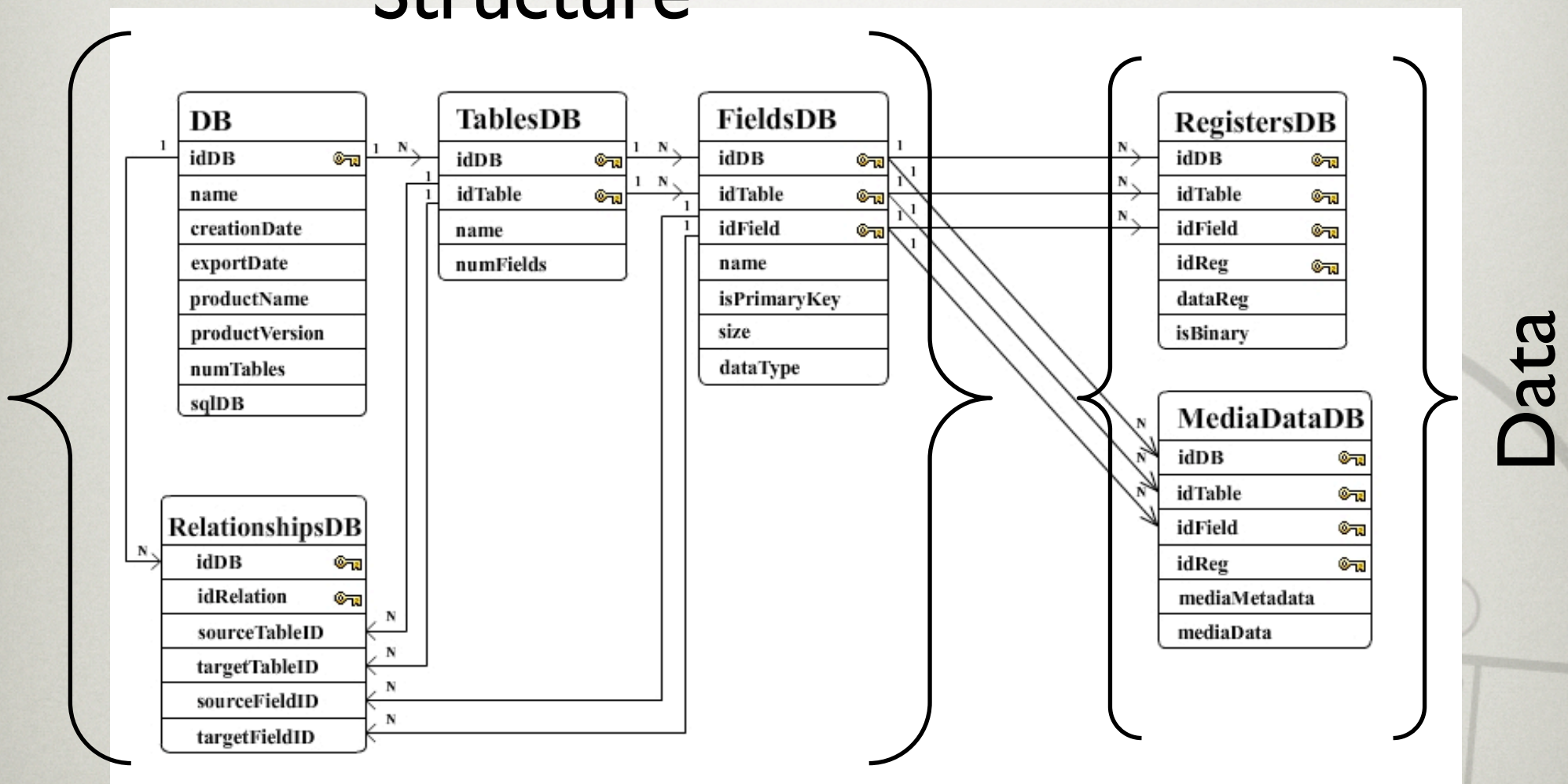

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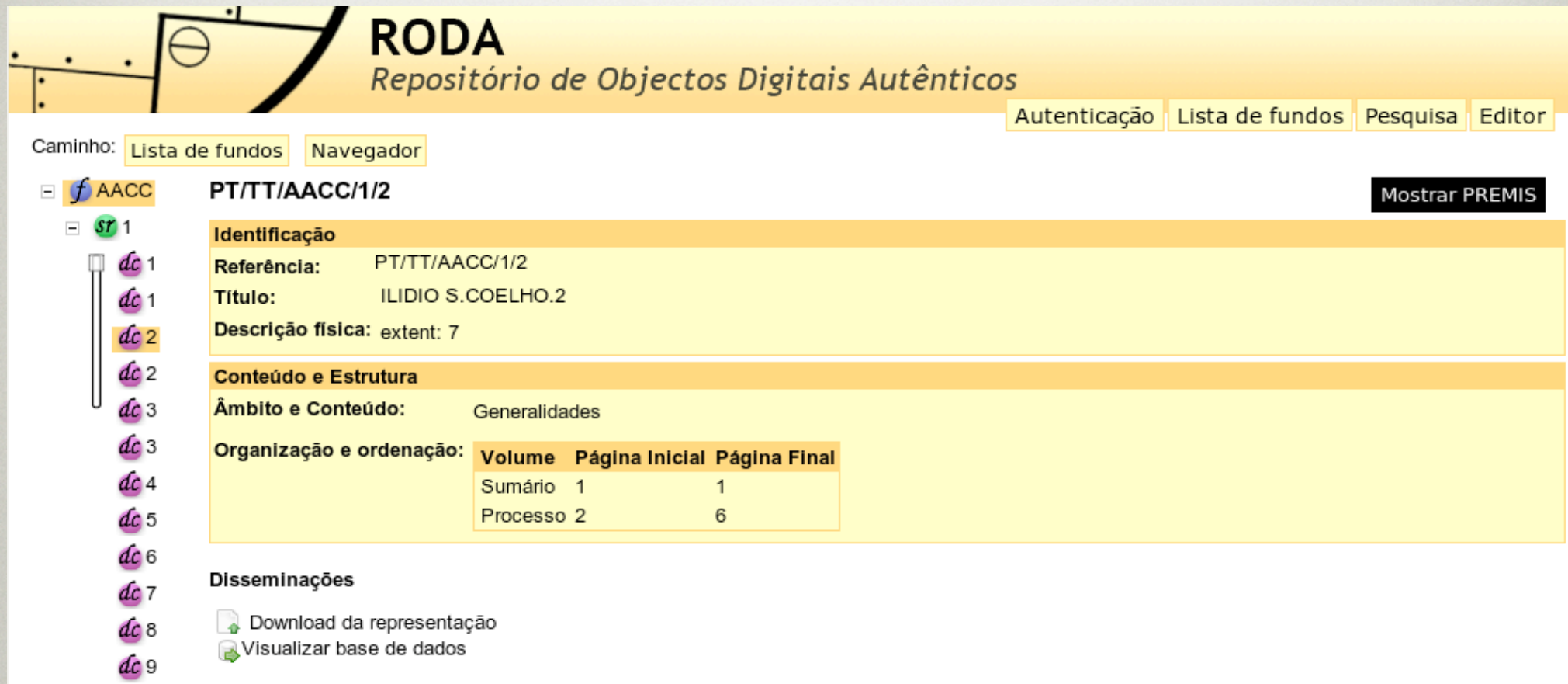
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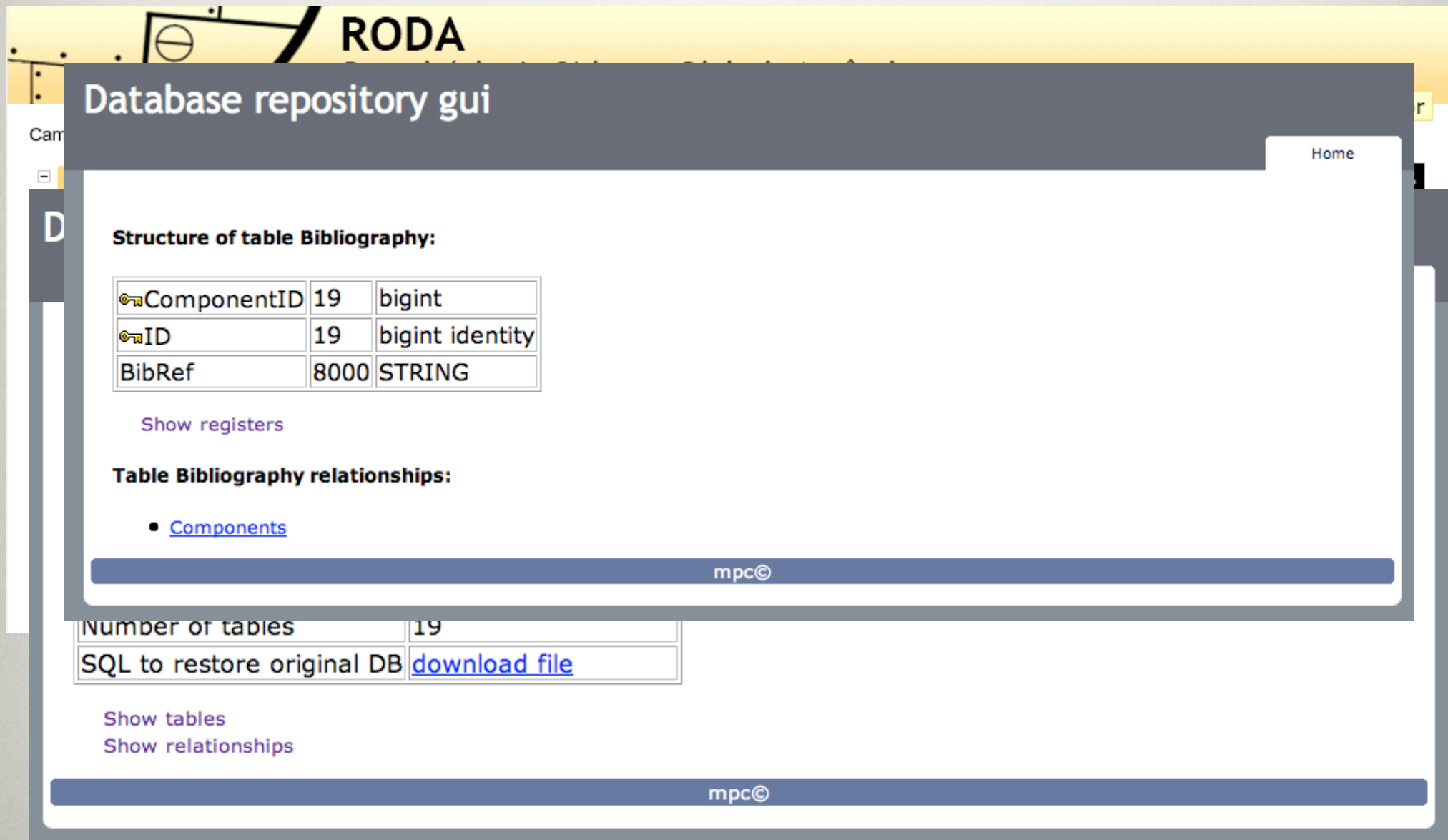
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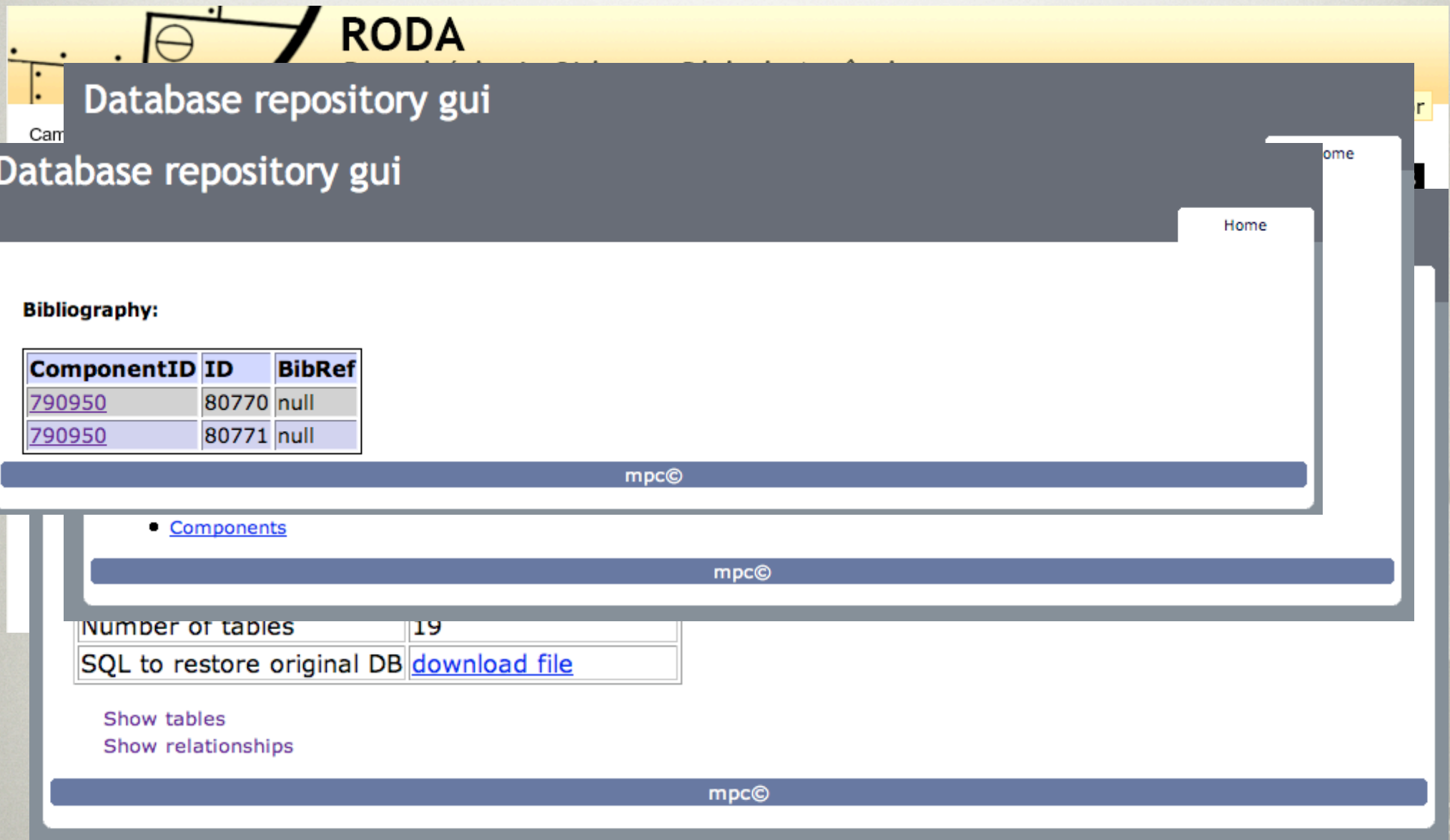
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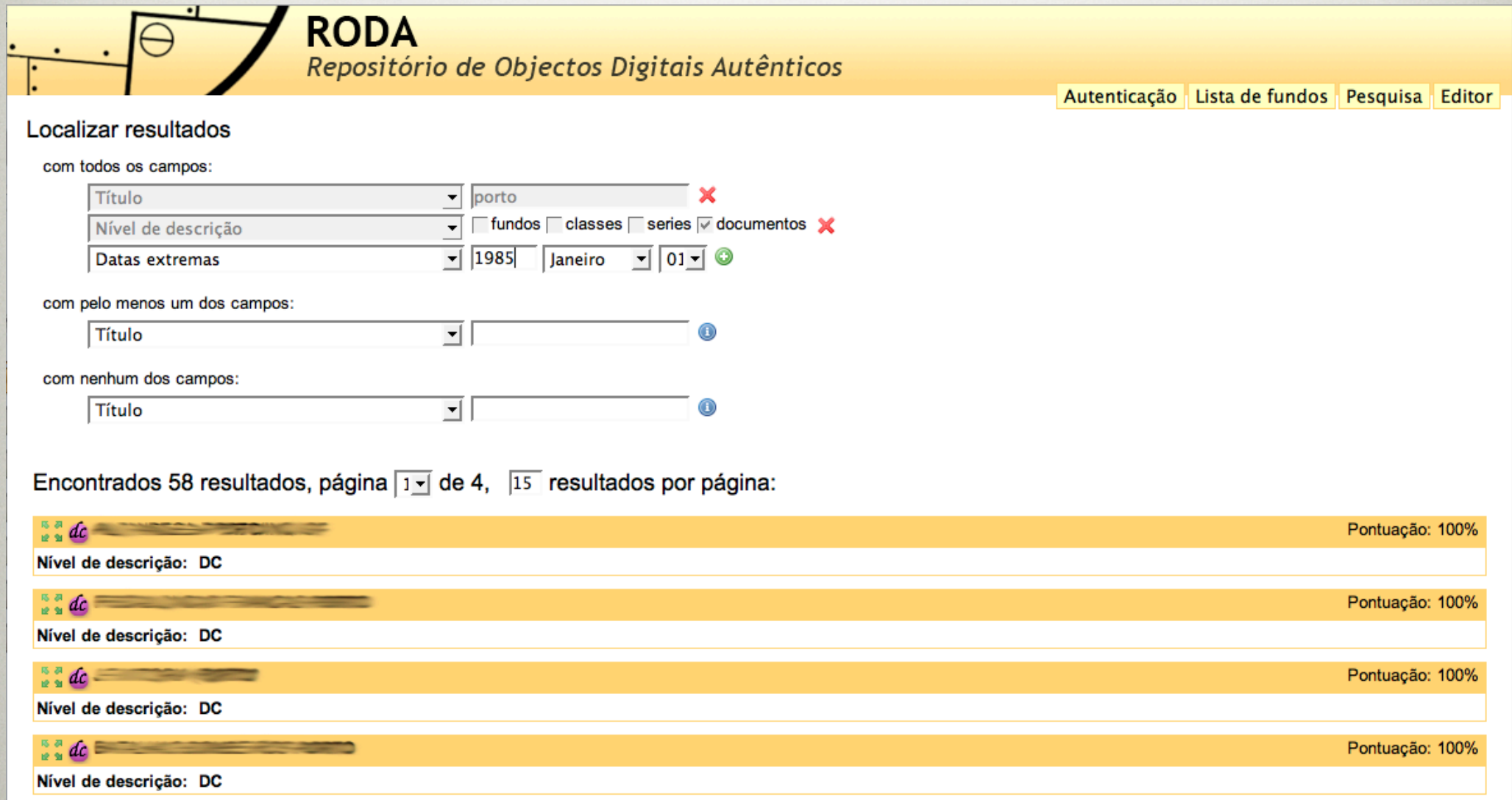

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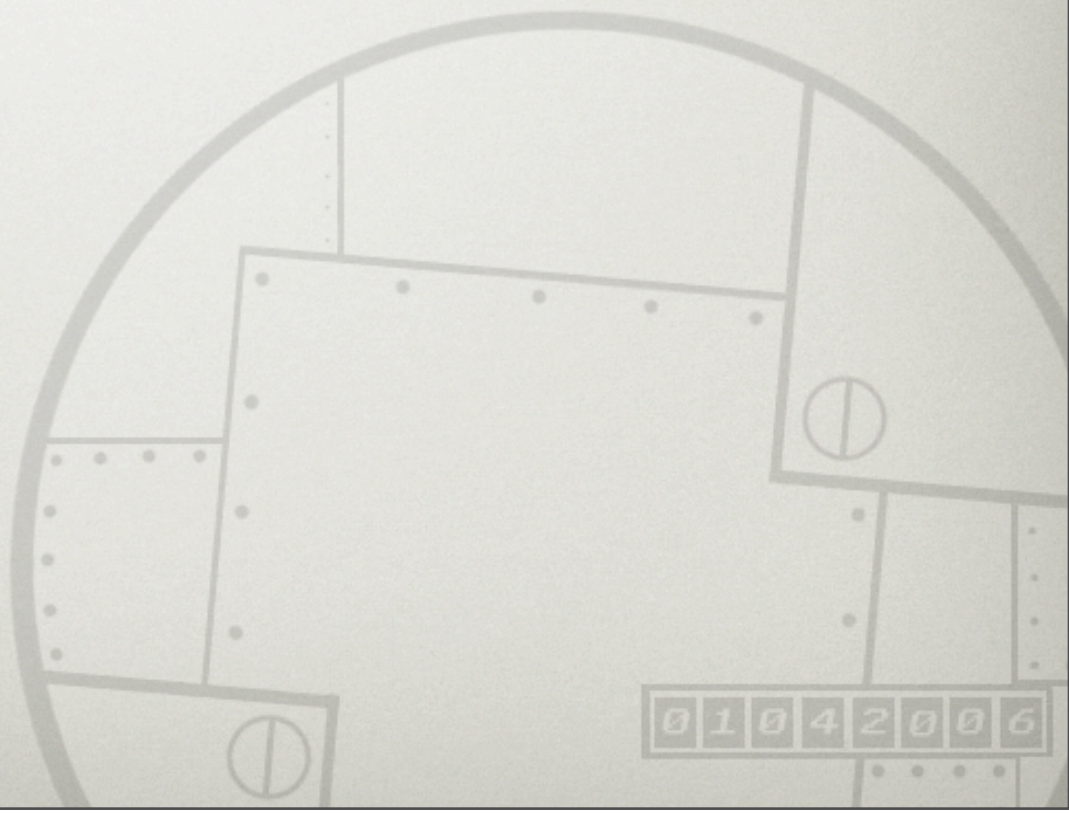

Final thoughts

"Data Preservation is a people problem"
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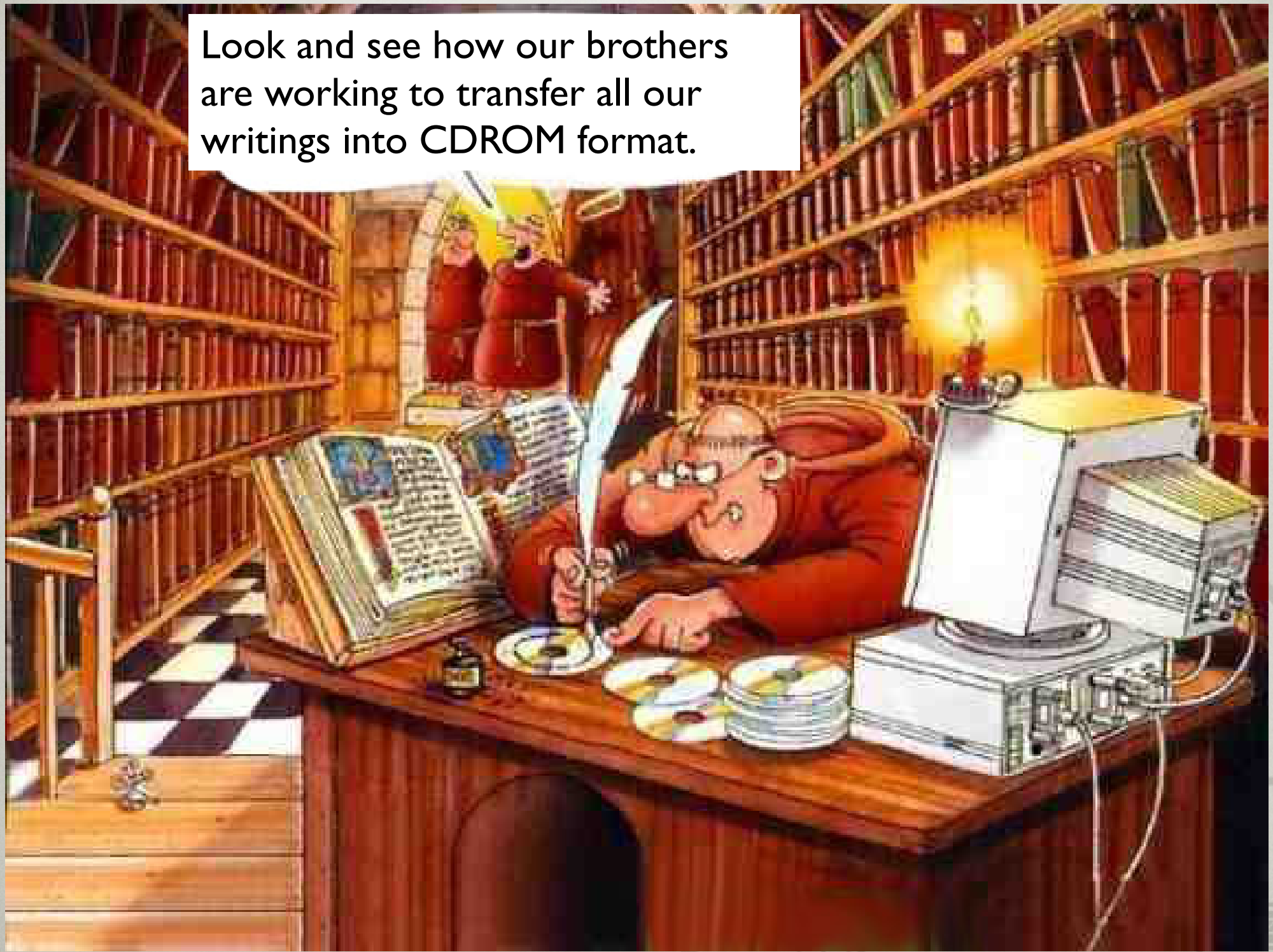
- People need to be trained to save data in a proper way.
- What to preserve? Data, Structure, Semantics...
- Preservation is for future users but only today users vote on budget
- We need to make data collecting people have preservation concerns
- Preservation is fault tolerance. All systems are imperfect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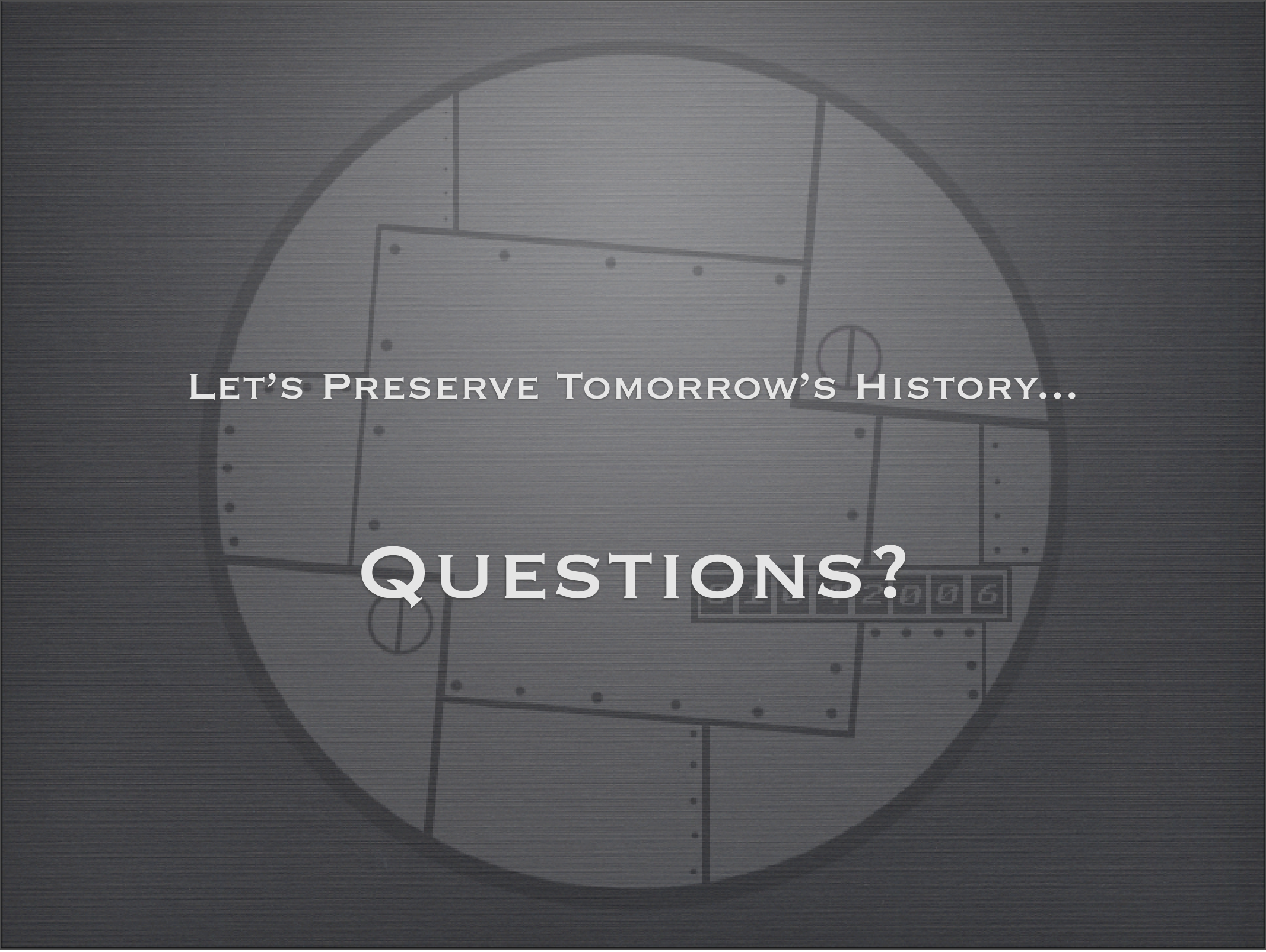
RODA Homepage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