

# MARS

## Mason Archival Repository Service





Over many years, research libraries have developed and optimized a series of “best-practices” for managing information.



For most of that time,  
there has been a rough  
balance between  
content creation  
(publishing) and the  
capacity of libraries to  
manage the  
information flow

But the pace and the nature  
of content creation is changing...



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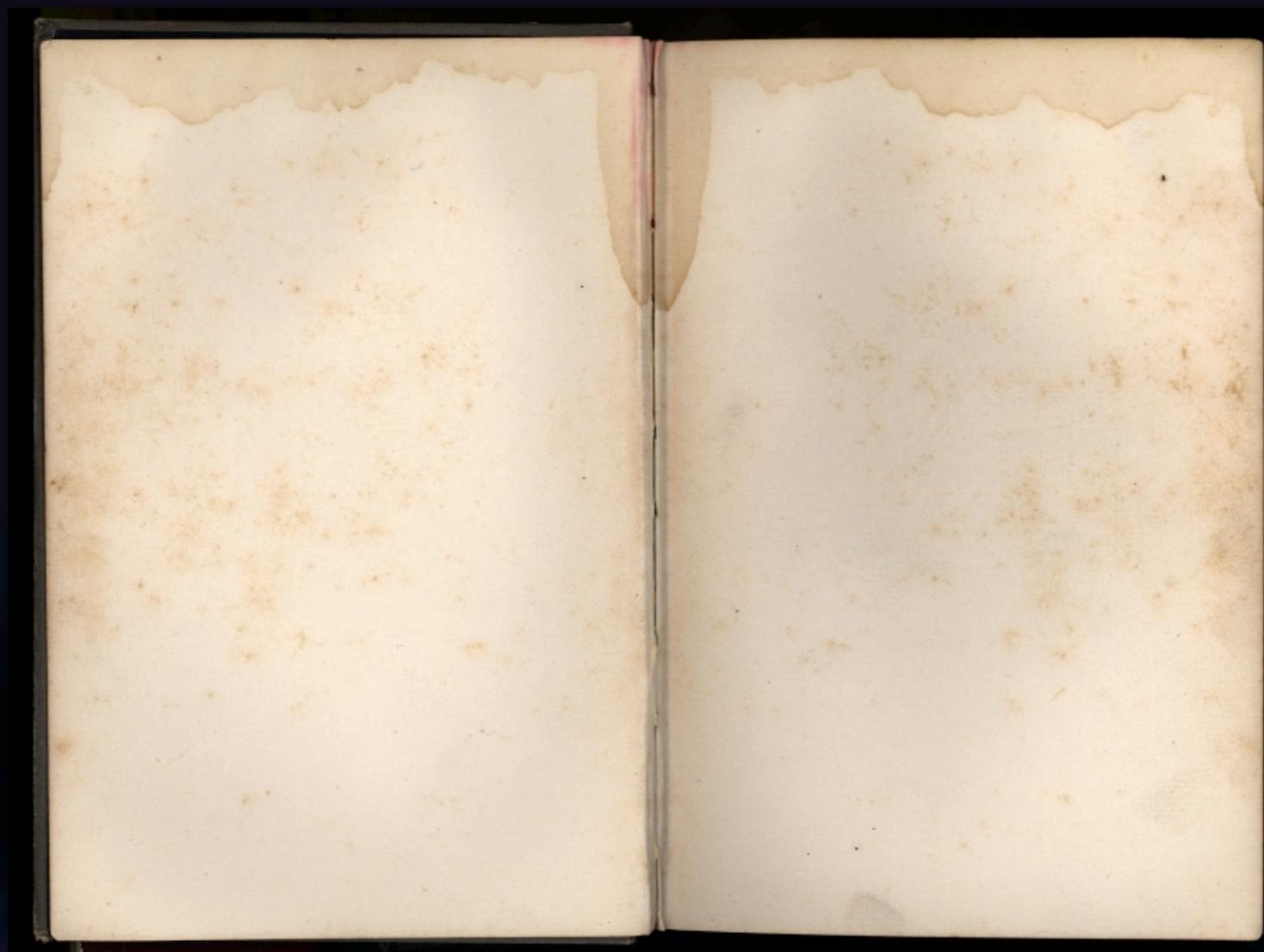
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A close-up, slightly angled view of a row of old, worn books. The spines are in various colors: light blue, yellow, red, grey, dark green, dark red, and yellow. The books have embossed titles and decorative patterns. The text 'We're moving from a world where everything existed in physical form to...' is overlaid in white on the left side of the image.

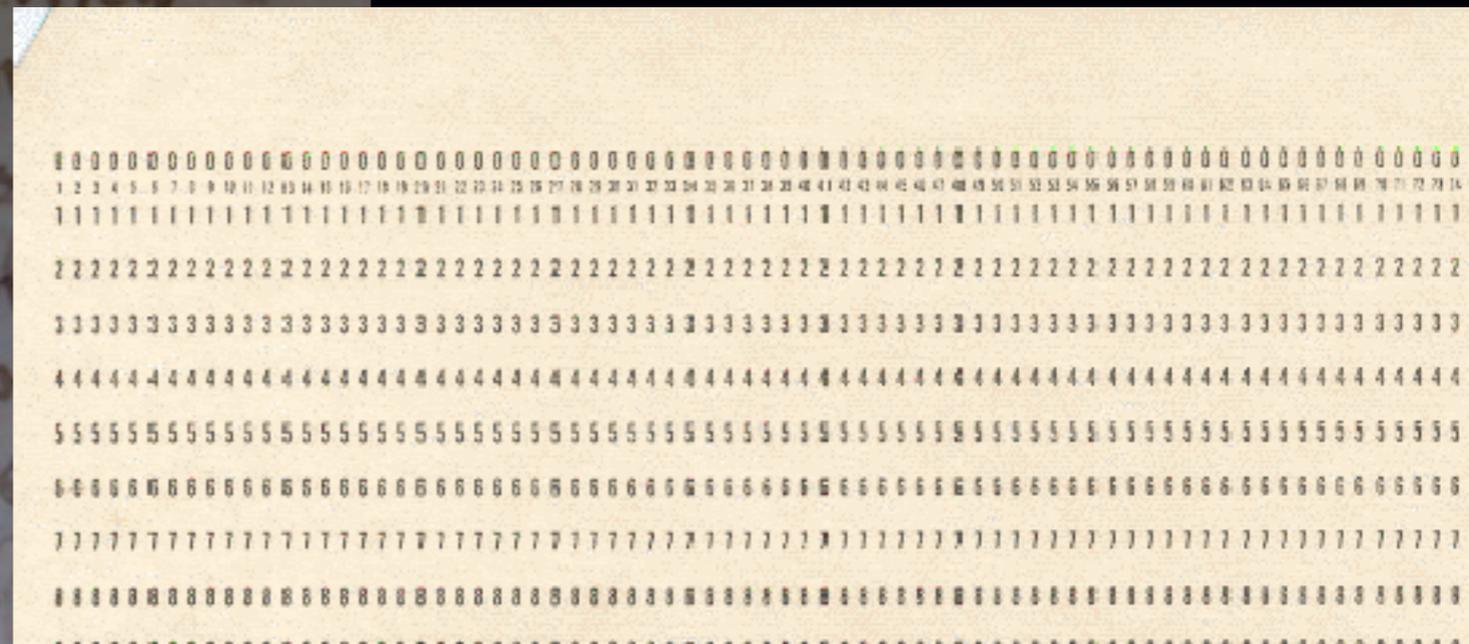
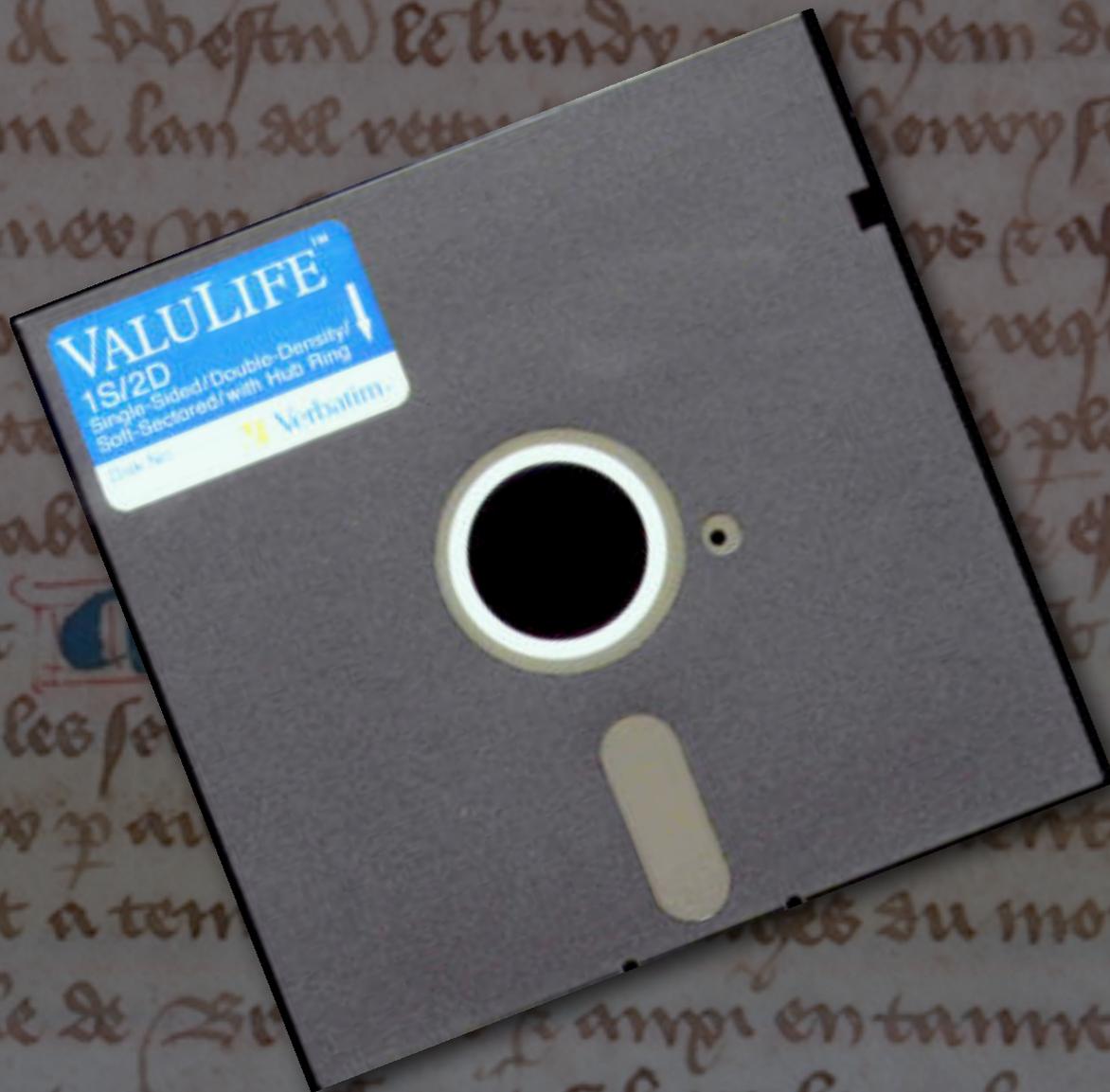
We're moving from a world where everything existed in physical form to...

“...if it’s not online it might as well not exist.”



Scholars poring over medieval manuscripts or ancient stone tablets can still read what scribes set down a thousand years ago.

Today, we're generating billions of bits of digital data that could become indecipherable in just a few years.





# A Library is a Memory Organization

Our core mission is  
to **archive**,  
**preserve** and  
provide **access**  
to information

# A Library is a Memory Organization

In the **digital** realm, this mission **does not change**

An important measure of a research library today is its ability to **archive, preserve** and provide **access** to information in **digital** formats in perpetuity.

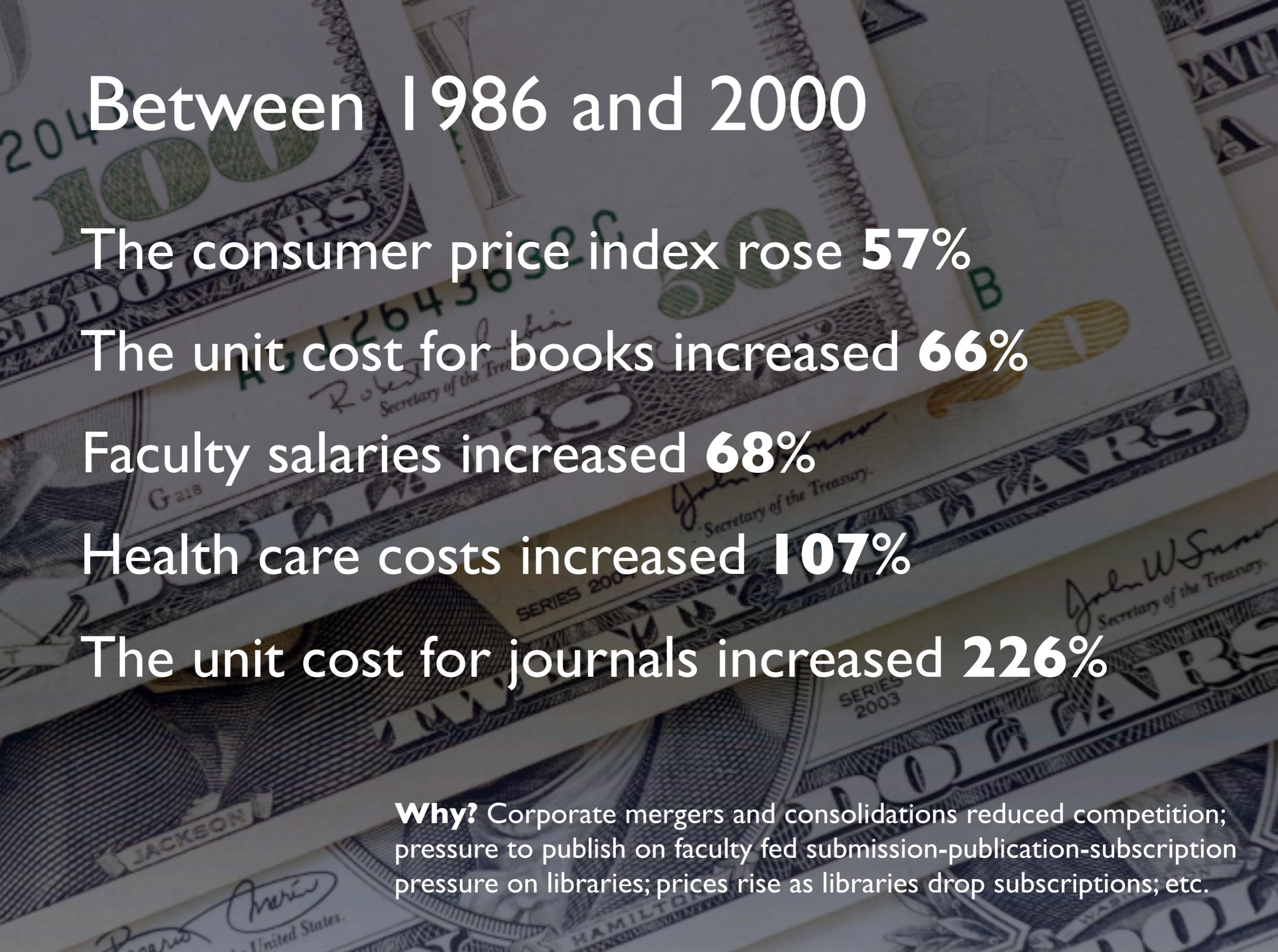
As the environment changes, we must anticipate new demands and re-engineer our services to meet them

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# Scholarly Journals



An important transition is underway

The background of the slide is a collage of various US dollar bills, including \$100, \$20, and \$10 bills, arranged in a slightly overlapping and angled manner. The text is overlaid on this background.

# Between 1986 and 2000

The consumer price index rose **57%**

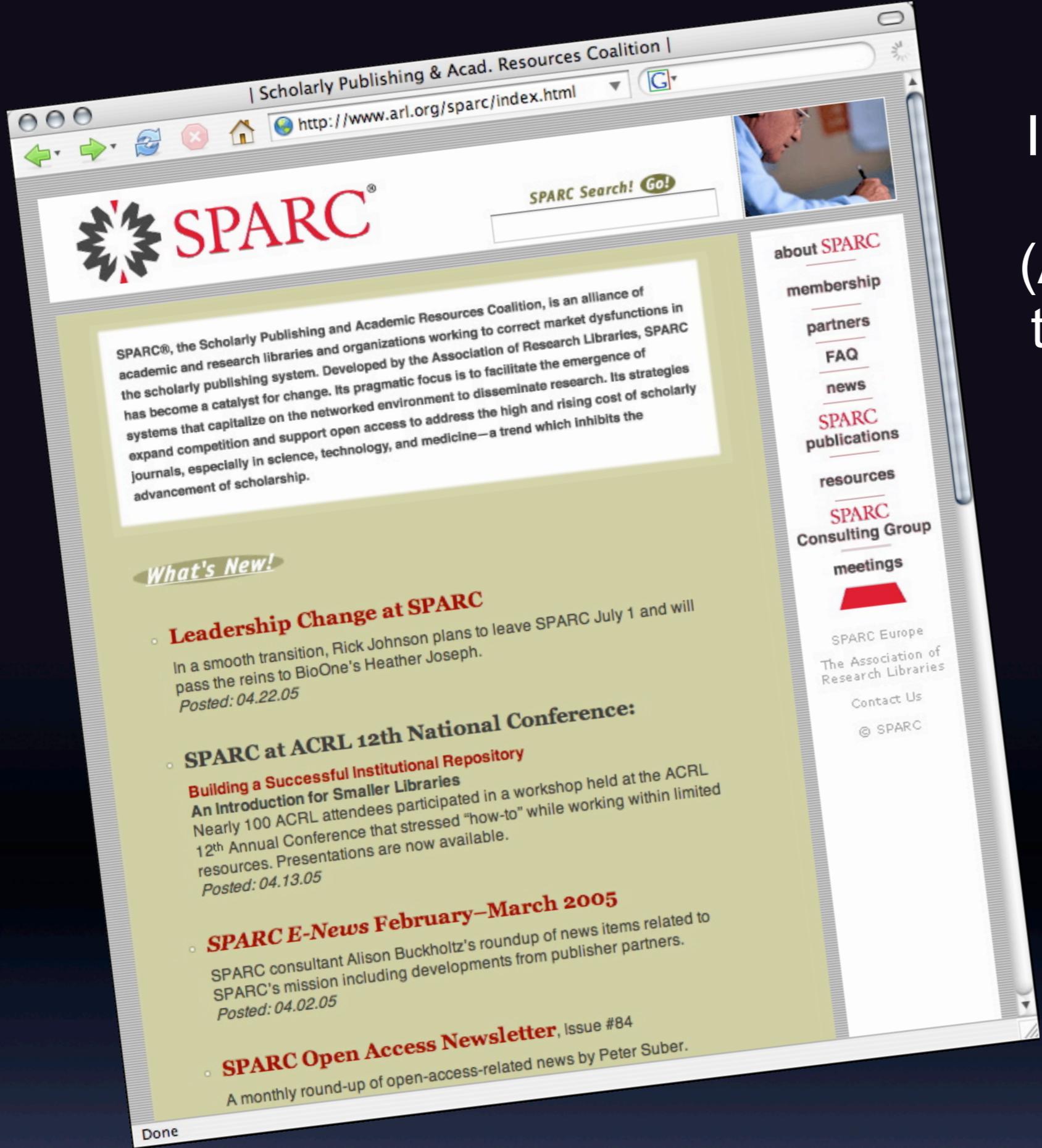
The unit cost for books increased **66%**

Faculty salaries increased **68%**

Health care costs increased **107%**

The unit cost for journals increased **226%**

**Why?** Corporate mergers and consolidations reduced competition; pressure to publish on faculty fed submission-publication-subscription pressure on libraries; prices rise as libraries drop subscriptions; etc.



In 1997, the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) founded SPARC\* to begin addressing the growing dysfunction in the economics of scholarly publishing

\* Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition



Mason is a member of SPARC

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## Budapest Open Access Initiative

### Open Access?

Open access journals use a funding model that does not charge readers or their institutions for access.

"By 'open access', we mean its free availability on the public internet, permitting any users to read, download, copy, distribute, print, search, or link to the full texts of these articles, ... without financial, legal, or technical barriers other than those inseparable from gaining access to the internet.

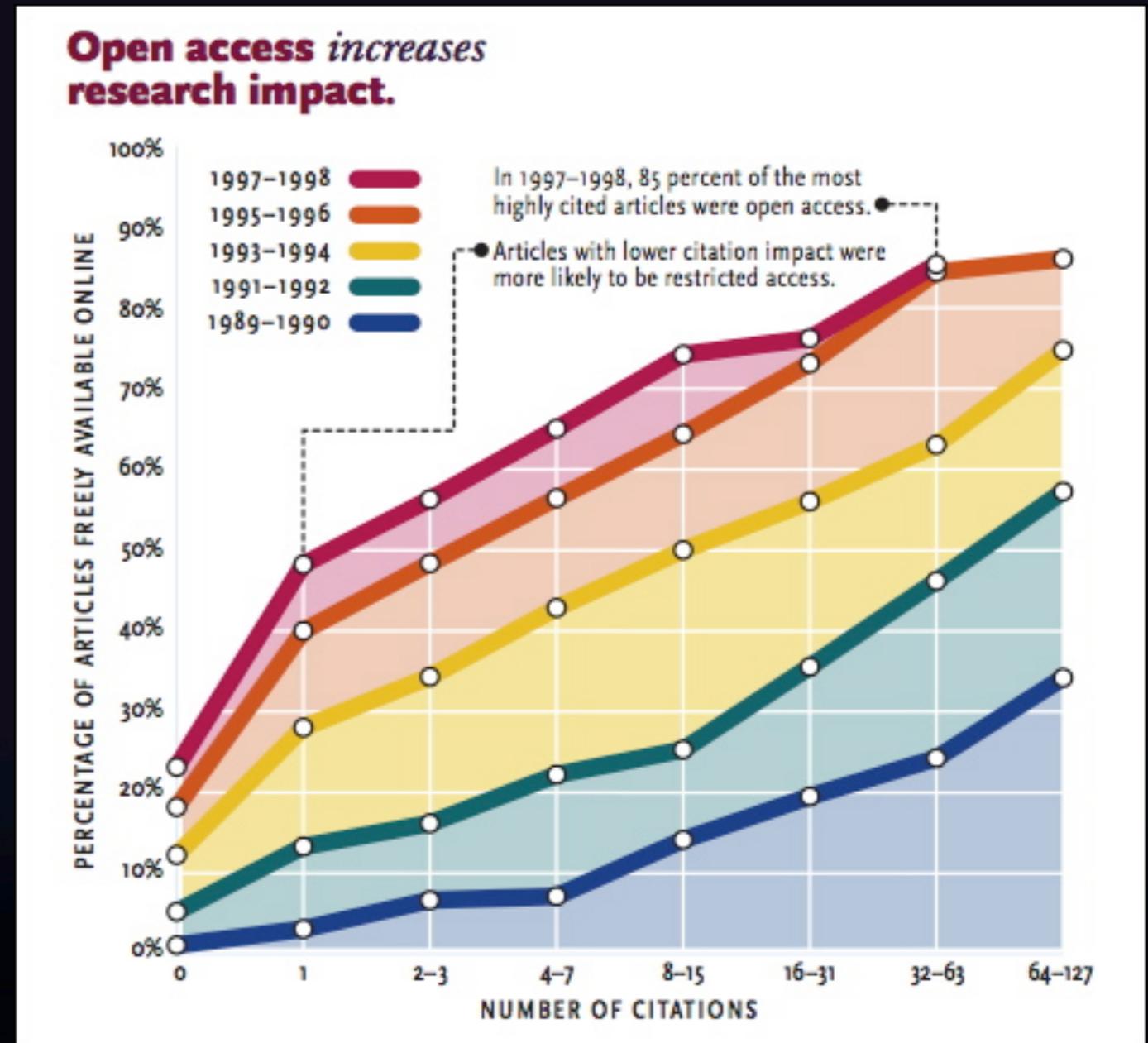
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An old tradition and a new technology have converged to make possible an unprecedented public good. The old tradition is the willingness of scientists and scholars to publish their research in scholarly journals without payment, good they make possible to the world with electronic distribution of the peer-reviewed journal literature and completely free and unrestricted access to it by all scientists, scholars, teachers, students, and other curious minds. Removing access barriers to this literature will accelerate research, enrich education, share the learning of the rich with the poor and the poor with the rich, and lay the foundation for a new era of and quest for knowledge. For various reasons, this kind of free and unrestricted online availability, which we will call **open access**, has so far been limited to small portions of the journal literature. Even in these limited collections, many difficulties and barriers have shown that open access is economically feasible, that it gives readers extraordinary power to find and make use of relevant literature, and that it gives authors and institutions **measurable** new **visibility**, **readership**, and **impact**. To secure these benefits for all, we call on interested institutions and individuals to help open up access to the rest of this literature and remove the barriers, especially the price barriers, that stand in the way. We have begun the effort to advance this cause, and we will all enjoy the benefits of open access. The literature that should be freely accessible online is that which scholars give to the world without expectation of payment. Primarily, this category includes preprints that they might wish to put online for comment or to alert colleagues to important research findings. There are many degrees and kinds of wider and easier access to this literature. By "open access" to this literature, we mean its free availability on the public internet, permitting any users to read, download, copy, distribute, print, search, and link to these articles, crawl them for indexing, pass them as data to other databases, and use them without financial, legal, or

Open Access publications are transforming scholarly communication in fields like computer science, biology, mathematics and chemistry



Steve Lawrence, a scientist at NEC Research Institute, analyzed nearly 120,000 computer science articles cited in a standard disciplinary bibliography. When he looked at articles with successively higher levels of impact or citations, he found successively higher percentages of open-access articles, and vice versa. He found the strength of this correlation steadily increased over a decade.

# Implementation of Policy on Enhancing Public Access to Archived Publications Resulting from NIH-Funded Research

**Notice Number:** NOT-OD-05-045

## Key Dates

Release Date: April 29, 2005  
Effective Date: May 2, 2005

## Issued by

National Institutes of Health (NIH), (<http://www.nih.gov>)

The National Institutes of Health (NIH) published its Public Access Policy (Policy) in the February 3, 2005, and in the *Federal Register* on February 9, 2005. These announcements including Questions and Answers regarding copyright and other concerns, are available at <http://www.nih.gov/about/publicaccess/>.

The purpose of this Notice is to provide a summary of the Policy and to furnish guidance regarding the submission of manuscripts.

## Summary of the Policy

The Policy becomes effective May 2, 2005. The Policy requests and strongly encourages peer-reviewed author's final manuscripts available to other researchers and the public through PubMed Central (PMC) [see <http://www.pubmedcentral.nih.gov>] immediately after submission, authors are given the option to release their manuscripts at a later time for publication. NIH expects that only in limited cases will authors deem it necessary to withhold their manuscripts from PMC.

The Policy applies to all research grant and career development award mechanisms and Individual Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Awards, as well as to peer-reviewed, original research publications that have been supported in whole or in part by NIH. The Policy does not apply to book chapters, editorials, reviews, or conference proceedings. NIH expects that only in limited cases will authors deem it necessary to withhold their manuscripts from PMC. Publications resulting from research projects or 2) previously-supplied manuscripts accepted for publication on or after May 2, 2005. Publications resulting from research projects submitted. We welcome comments and suggestions about the submission process.

## The NIH Manuscript Submission System

The password-protected, Web-based, NIH Manuscript Submission (NIHMS) system is designed to facilitate the submission process. This system allows easy identification of intramural project numbers by associating them with the corresponding extramural project numbers. Currently, manuscript files from NIH Intramural PIs can be submitted to the NIHMS system by either the extramural PI or a third party on the PI's behalf (e.g., librarians, publishers, etc.).

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### ***Technology and library users, an ongoing discussion***

Technology experts who are members of the Library and Information Technology Association (LITA), a division of the American Library Association, met for a managed discussion in Orlando, FL on June 27th, 2004 to discuss what they feel are the top technology issues and trends in today's libraries.

**Experts in attendance** included : Joan Frye Williams, Clifford Lynch, Walt Crawford, Milton Wolf, Tom Wilson, Roy Tennant, Eric Lease Morgan, and Marshall Breeding.

#### **THE TOP TRENDS**

- **ISSUE 1: Institutional Repositories**
- **ISSUE 2: Open Access**
- **ISSUE 3: Web Services**
- **ISSUE 4: Personal Search Software**
- **ISSUE 5: RSS (Really Simple Syndication)**
- **ISSUE 6: Biometrics**
- **ISSUE 7: E-Resource Management**
- **ISSUE 8: JPEG 2000**

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#### **ISSUE #1: Institutional Repositories**

##### **The Case for Institutional Repositories: A SPARC Position Paper**

<http://www.arl.org/sparc/IR/ir.html>

This position paper from the Scholarly Publishing and Academic Resources Coalition states that institutional repositories "provide a critical component in reforming the system of scholarly communication" by reasserting control over scholarship by academics, as well as bring economic relief to the academy."



# ARL Bimonthly Report 226 February 2003

## Institutional Repositories: Essential Infrastructure in the Digital Age

by Clifford A. Lynch, Executive Director, Coalition for Networked Information

### Introduction

In the fall of 2002, something extraordinary occurred in the evolution of disciplinary scholarly practices. The development of a new strategy that allows universities to apply serious, systematic leverage to accelerating beyond their historic relatively passive role of supporting established publishers in modernizing scholarly publishing through the licensing of digital content, and also scaling up beyond ad-hoc alliances, partnerships, and support arrangements with a few select faculty pioneers exploring more transformative new uses of the digital medium.

Many technology trends and development efforts came together to make this strategy possible. Online storage costs have dropped significantly; repositories are now affordable. Standards like the open archives metadata harvesting protocol are now in place; some progress has also been made on the standards for the underlying metadata itself. The thinking about digital preservation over the past five years has advanced to the point where the needs are widely recognized and well defined, the technical approaches at least superficially mapped out, and the need for action is now clear. The development of accessible journal article collections in disciplines such as high-energy physics has demonstrated the development of a series of extraordinary digital services specifically for the digital medium to

An **institutional repository** is a set of **services** that a university offers to the members of its community for the **management** and **dissemination** of digital materials **created by the institution** and its community members.

-- Clifford Lynch, CNI



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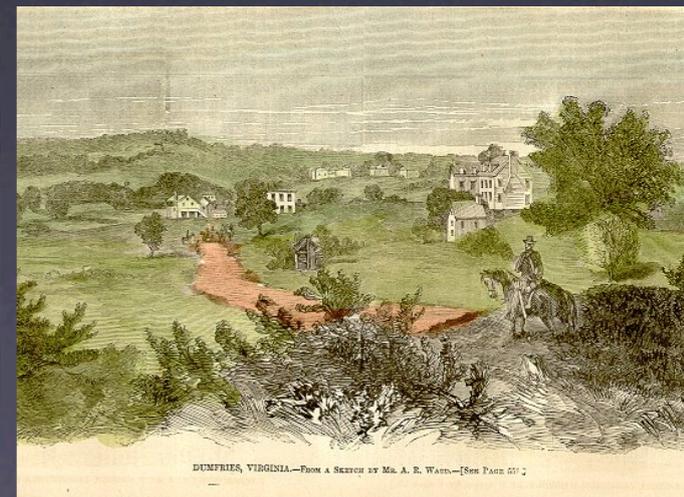
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early publishing  
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improve over time.

Further, they  
build on a  
growing  
grassroots  
faculty practice  
of self-posting  
research online.

But the underlying technology offers additional benefits...

University Libraries also needs a digital archiving solution for our growing collection of photo, video and audio objects as well as other digital resources (digitized or born digital).



And ideally, the solution would be **web-based**, support recognized **metadata standards**, be **interoperable** with other archival systems, **support format migration**, and **expose our collections** to users worldwide via popular search engines...

# The Digital Archiving, Preservation & Access Task Force

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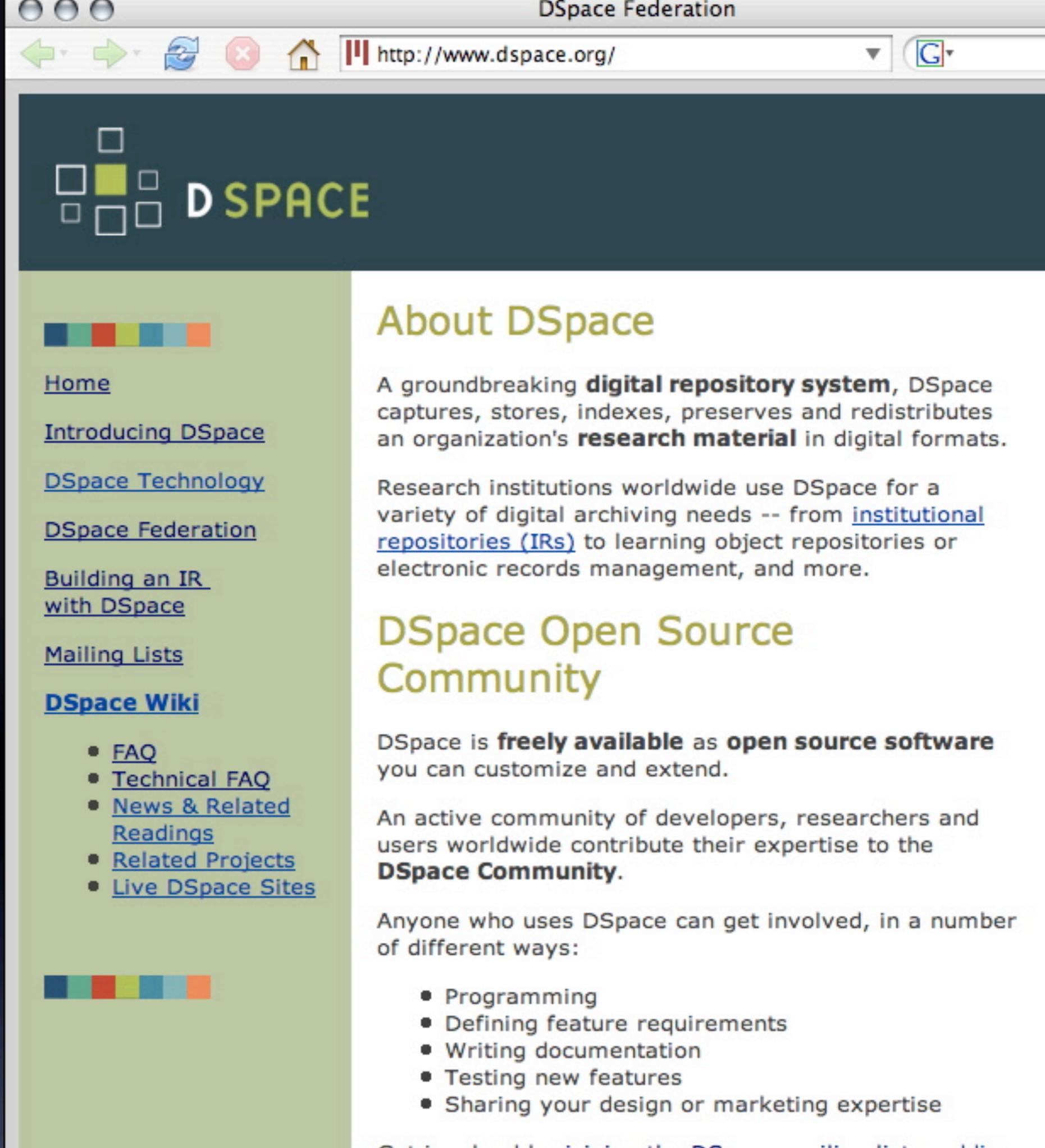
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*Academic Year 2003-2004*

We are building  
an Archival  
Repository  
System, using  
DSpace software



The screenshot shows the DSpace website homepage. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the DSpace logo (a cluster of squares) and the text "DSpace". Below the logo, there is a list of links: Home, Introducing DSpace, DSpace Technology, DSpace Federation, Building an IR with DSpace, Mailing Lists, and DSpace Wiki. The DSpace Wiki section includes a list of links: FAQ, Technical FAQ, News & Related Readings, Related Projects, and Live DSpace Sites. On the right side of the page, there is a section titled "About DSpace" which describes the system as a groundbreaking digital repository system that captures, stores, indexes, preserves, and redistributes research material. Below this, there is a section titled "DSpace Open Source Community" which states that DSpace is freely available as open source software and that an active community of developers, researchers, and users contribute their expertise to the DSpace Community. At the bottom of the page, there is a list of ways to get involved: Programming, Defining feature requirements, Writing documentation, Testing new features, and Sharing your design or marketing expertise.

It will provide IR  
services and  
also serve as a  
digital archiving  
system

## Services we'll provide:

- **Accession and Data Storage** – governed by submission agreements negotiated between the Library and object provider.
- **Digital Object Integrity and Migration** – create policies and procedures to ensure the physical and intellectual integrity of objects in the repository. Work with contributor of object (if possible) to perform transformative migration where required
- **Discovery and Access** – Support the identification and retrieval of repository objects. Provide OAI-compliant metadata for objects in the repository to “expose” these objects to users worldwide (subject to access and retrieval limitations negotiated with object contributors)
- **Education and Outreach Services** – Promote importance of digital preservation, explain policies of digital repository, and provide expert consultation on digital preservation issues.

# Tiers of Service

- **Archived** - Materials of significant and widespread value; complex, normalized metadata; commitment to periodic migration.
- **Preserved** – Materials have enduring value, but not enough to merit significant investment currently; basic metadata, supplied by content submitters; commitment to preserve in current format, but not migrate. The bulk of the repository's content will merit this level of service.
- **Stored** - Materials not owned or managed by Mason, but which have long term value to Mason scholarship; mirrors of e-journals, other web sites, datasets, working papers, learning objects and so on. No commitment to migrate or preserve.

## So what does MARS mean to Mason?

A reliable, professionally managed, persistent archive of scholarly digital objects of enduring value to the university

A means to share with the broader scholarly community the research work produced by Mason faculty

Improved visibility in virtual collections built via metadata exchange (e.g., OAlster, Google Scholar, Yahoo, etc.)

Visible support for the open access movement which benefits the library and the university.

# Organizational Structure

## Faculty Advisory Committee

Advisory to Office of the University Librarian

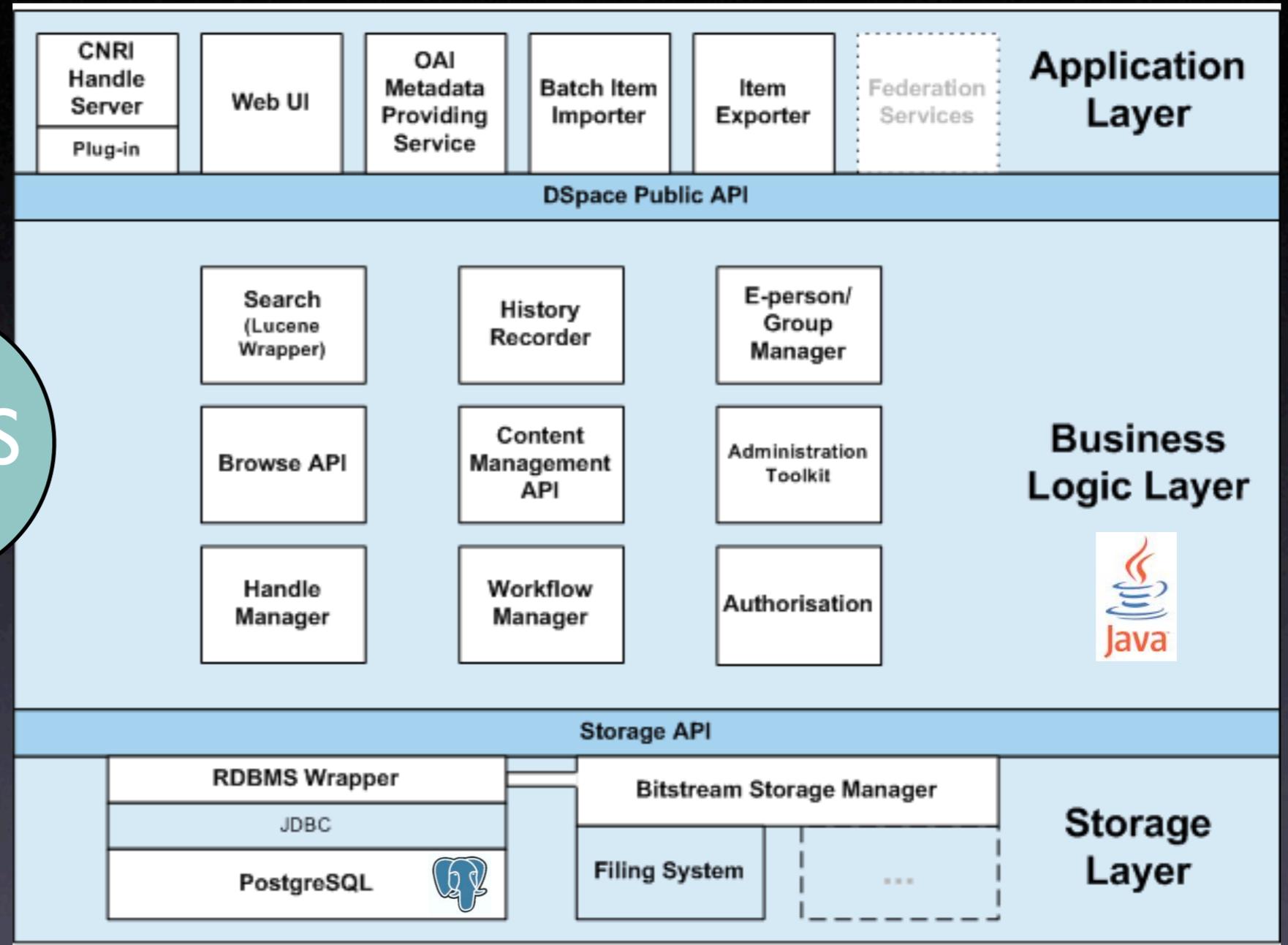
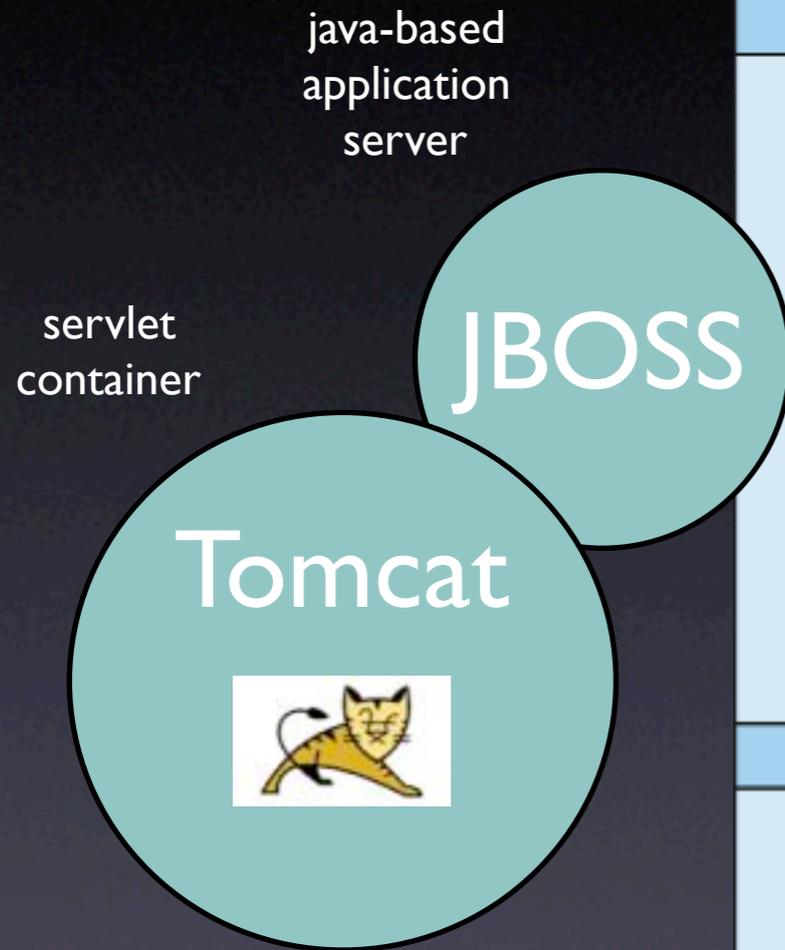
## Digital Repository Service

Based in Library Systems Office, managed by DRS Librarian

## DRS Group

Representatives from: Library and general IT; archives; cataloging (metadata); library liaison program

# MARS architecture



Mac OS X Server

All software open-source





# Apple X-Serve G5

Dual 2 GHz CPUs



# Apple X-Serve RAID

MARS currently has a 3.3 TB RAID 5 capacity but could expand to 5.5 by fully populating existing enclosures

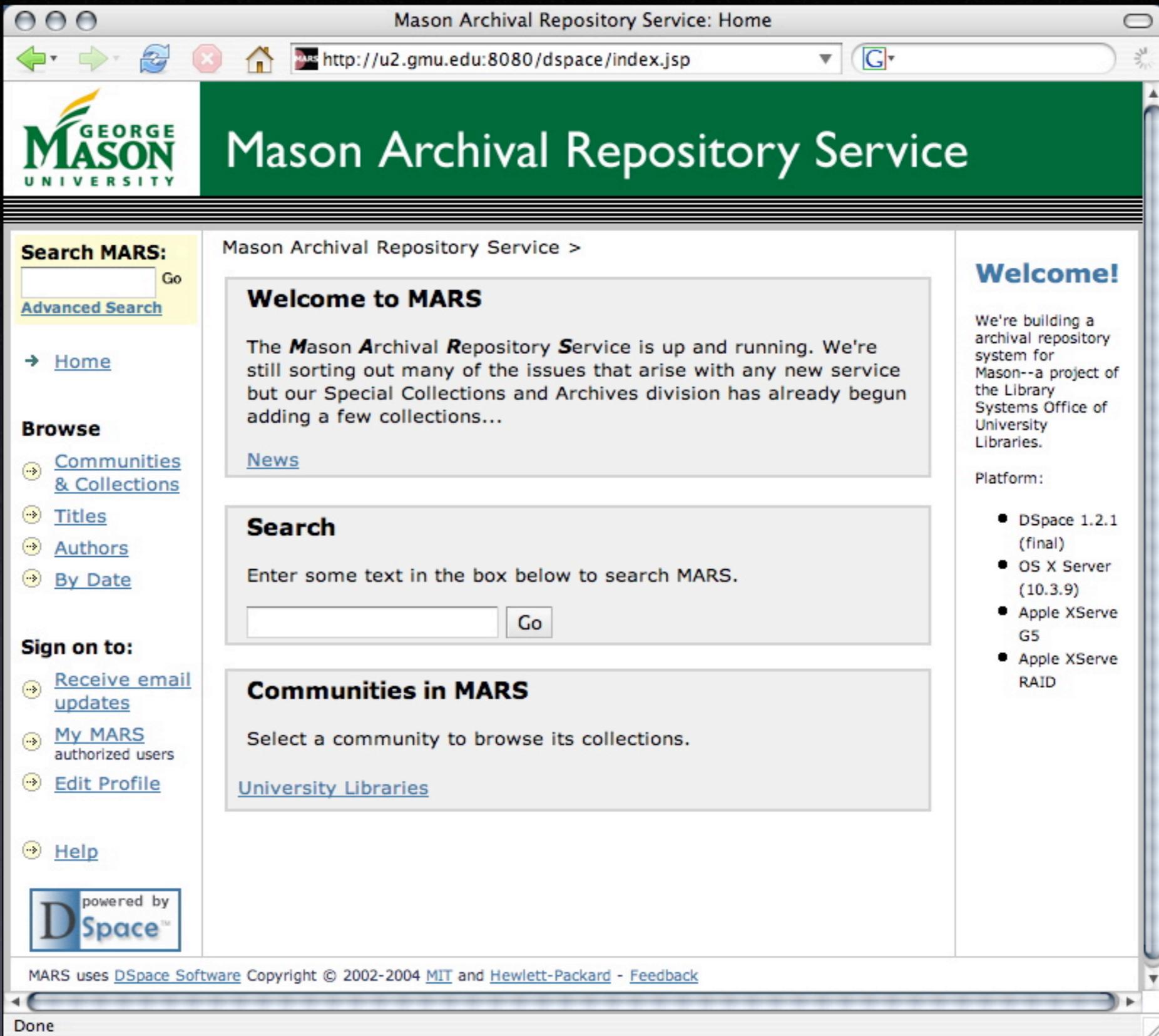


X-Serve RAID uses inexpensive ATA drives, 512K cache per channel, battery backup for cache, and dual 2Gb fibre channel link





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## Welcome to MARS

The **M**ason **A**rchival **R**epository **S**ervice is up and running. We're still sorting out many of the issues that arise with any new service but our Special Collections and Archives division has already begun adding a few collections...

[News](#)

## Search

Enter some text in the box below to search MARS.

## Communities in MARS

Select a community to browse its collections.

[University Libraries](#)

## Welcome!

We're building a archival repository system for Mason--a project of the Library Systems Office of University Libraries.

Platform:

- DSpace 1.2.1 (final)
- OS X Server (10.3.9)
- Apple XServe G5
- Apple XServe RAID