Digital Objects Management

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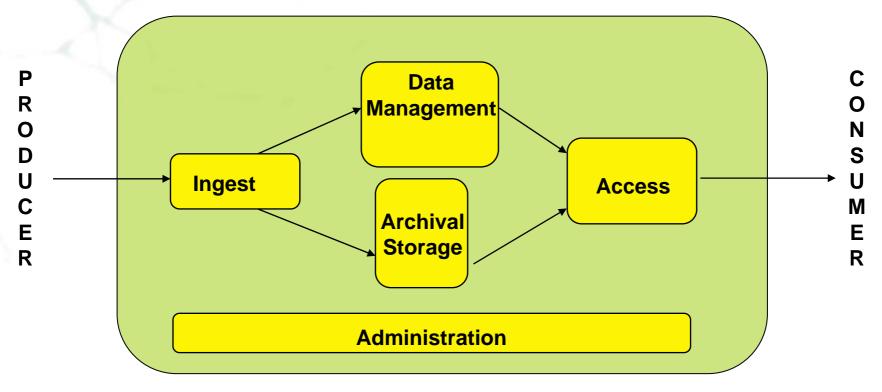
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Outline

- Needs for digital object management
- Case: Open Access
- Role of the National Library

What is digital object management

 Curation of digital collections that are owned, stored and managed by the library



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Types of Digital Collections

(In an typical institution of HE or research)

- Electronic Theses and Dissertations
- Institutional Repositories / Parallel publication
- Original Publications (journals, series)
- Reseach Data
- Digitized collections

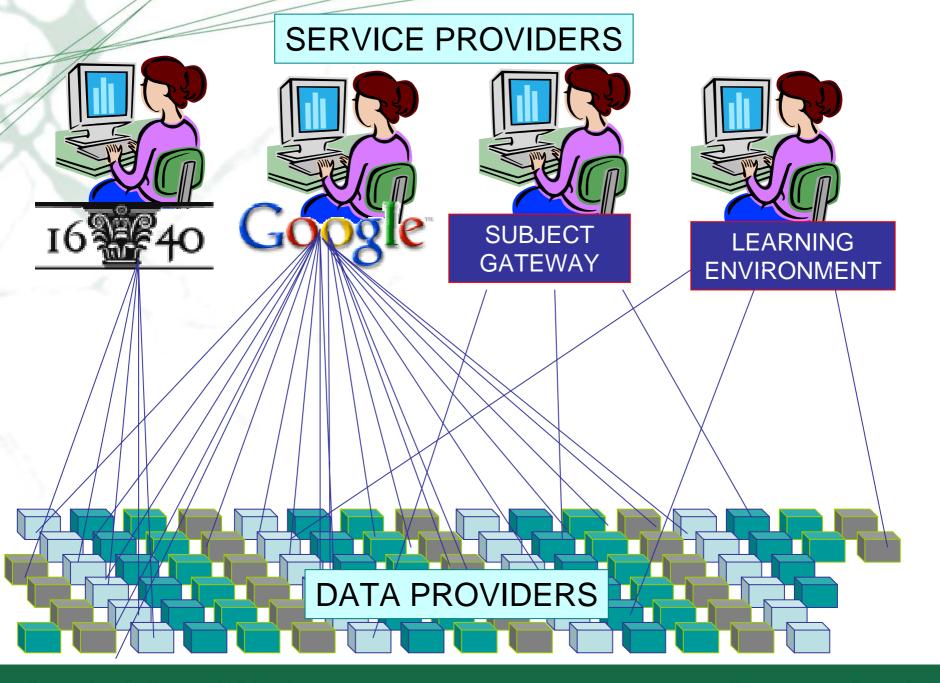
Digital Collections in the National Library of Finland

- Electronic Legal Deposit
 - Deposited E-books etc.
 - Web harvesting
- Digitized Cultural Heritage
 - Newspapers, Ephemera (http://digi.lib.helsinki.fi)
 - Sound recordings (<u>http://www.doria.fi/raita</u>)
 - Rescued Books

(http://www.rahasto.kansalliskirjasto.fi/pelastakirja/)

Insitutional Repositories & ETD Archives

- Principle of Open Access
- Part of the wider "Open" ideology: open content, open data, open source, etc.
- Endorsed by the Finnish Ministry of Education, & Council of University Rectors
- Focus on *open* and *scientific* documents
 - But sometimes just "as open as possible"; and "relating to science"
- OAI-PMH: metadata open for exploitation
- data providers for service providers



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NLF Repository Platform Service

- Developed byt the NLF
- Similar approaches, e.g.
 - Texas Digital Library (<u>http://repositories.tdl.org/</u>)
 - Bibsys Brage in Norway (29 HE institutions)
- Based on DSpace (<u>http://www.dspace.org</u>)
- NLF provides the platform, libraries provide the contents
- http://oa.doria.fi

Interoperability is important

- Accessed through the Nelli Portal
- Links in the Library Catalogue, when appropriate
- Persistent Identifiers (Handle, URN)
- Indexed by Google etc.

- NLF recommendations for metadata format
- Nordic coöperation in standardization & interoperability

In the (near) Future

- More Service Provider services
 - E.g. an index of all dissertations on a subject
 - Customized services to different kinds of patrons
- More parallel publishing
 - Reseachers need education, incentive, and sanctions