# Building Full Text Indexes of Web Content using Open Source Tools

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- We don't decide what to collect.
- We don't decide when to collect it.
- We build tools to allow curators to make those decisions.

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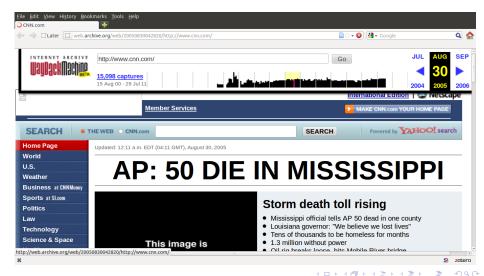
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## How we organize thing

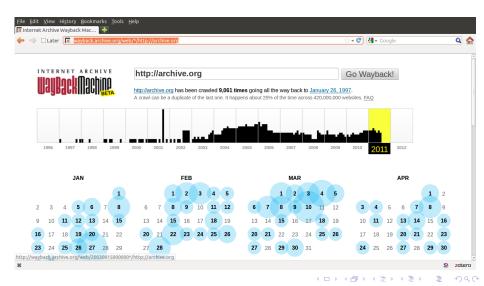
- Each curator creates projects
- Each project contains sites
- Each site contains jobs

### Why do we always see this?



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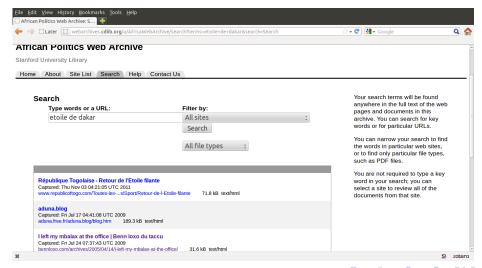
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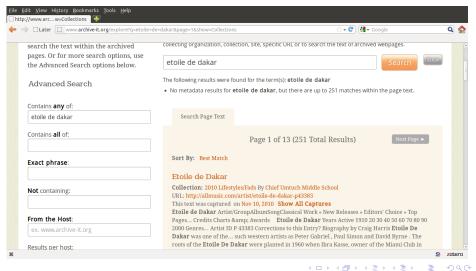
#### **NutchWAX**

- Web Archiving eXtensions for Nutch.
- Nutch is an open source web crawler, with search.
- Web Archiving eXtensions written by Internet Archive.

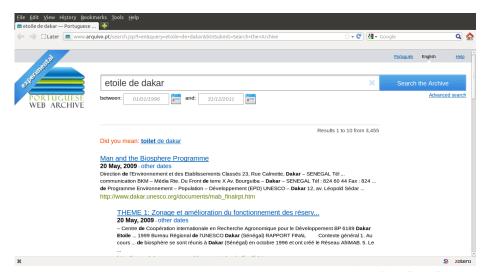
#### **WAS**



### Archive-IT



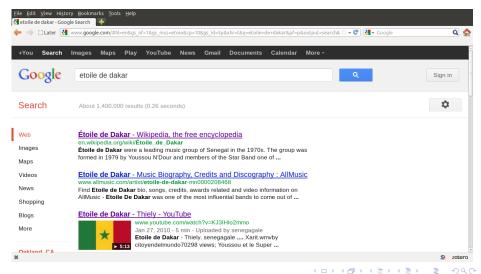
### Portugese Web Archive



### Library of Congress



## Google



### Scale

- IA collections > 2PB
- WAS collections > 50TB

## Temporal search is not easy

[ michael jackson death ]

#### Resources

- Google's 2011 revenue: \$38 bn.
- UC's 2011/12 revenue: \$22 bn.

### Deduplication

- Reduce redundant storage by storing pointers back to identical, previously captured content.
- ... but how to index this?
- Couldn't figure how to make NutchWAX do this.

### Curator-supplied metadata

- Our curators supply metadata (primarily tags) about the sites they capture
- This metadata should be indexed
- Curators should be able to modify this metadata at any time

#### **NutchWAX**

- ... and besides, Nutch is aging.
- Nutch now focused on crawling, not search.
- Our usage of NutchWAX was very slow.

## Temporal web

- ... futhermore, web archive indexing is different.
- We capture the same URLs, again and again.
- It would be nice to build a web search system that takes time into account.

#### weari: a WEb ARchive Indexer

- We began writing a new indexing system
- We want to write as little as possible (see resources, above)
- So we stitched together FOSS tools

### Scala

- Written in the Scala language
- To interact with Pig, Solr, etc.



#### Tika

- We mostly need to parse HTML, but PDFs are very important to our users
- Not to mention Office
- Apache software project
- Wraps parsers for different file types in a uniform interface.
- Parses most common file types.
- Use the same code to parse different types.

### Tika difficulties

- Some files are slow to parse.
- Some files blow up your memory.
- Some file parses never return.

#### Tika solutions

- Don't parse files that are too big (e.g. > 2 MB)
- Fork and monitor process from the outside (Hadoop comes in handy)
- Preparse everything



```
{ "filename"
   "CDL-20070613172954-00002-ingest1.arc.gz",
 "digest"
                     : "DWHNMIQN3OZLG3ZW2PZQCTEUOAWCL5RJ",
 "url"
                     : "http://medlineplus.gov/",
 "date"
                     : 1181755806000,
 "title"
                     : "MedlinePlus Health Information ...",
 "length"
               : 24655,
 "content"
            : "MedlinePlus Health Information ...",
 "suppliedContentType" : { "top" : "text", "sub" : "html" },
 "detectedContentType" : { "top" : "text", "sub" : "html" },
            : [ 623129493561446160, ... ] }
 "outlinks"
```

### What is Pig?

- Platform for data analysis from Apache.
- Based on Hadoop.
  - fault tolerant
  - distributed processing
- Can be used for ad-hoc analysis, without writing Java code.
- Embraced by the Internet Archive.

# Why solr?

- Why not?
- Widely used.
- Takes the 'kitchen sink' approach to features.
- Hathitrust work seems to show that it can scale up to our needs.

#### Solr difficulties

- Cannot modify documents
- Solution: use stored fields, merge
- Need fast check for deduplicated content
- Solution: fetch document IDs, lookup in Bloom Filter

### Thrift

To communicate between our WAS-specific Ruby code and Scala



# Hadoop File System (HDFS)

To store parsed JSON files.



## Original

```
digest : MQXNCI7KA3YBSJUZVHGXY3X2KBS56444
url :
http://www.googlebooksettlement.com/help/bin/answer.py?answer=:
arcname :
CDL-20120530062015-00000-tanager.ucop.edu-00306642.arc.gz
date :
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2012-05-30T06:37:03Z

### New

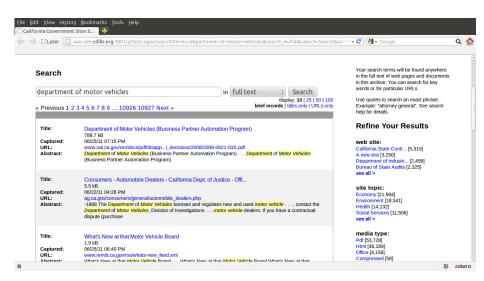
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date :
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# Merged

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CDL-20120530062015-00001-tanager.ucop.edu-00306642.arc.gz
date :
2012-05-30T06:37:03Z
2012-05-30T06:20:50Z
```

### So far

- about 200 m. unique documents
- 4 solr shards
- 2 TBs of index



## Better ranking

- We have not explored ranking very much
- We store a Rabin fingerprint for every URL and its outlinks
- Have done some basic work with Webgraph tools to calculate ranks
- http://webgraph.di.unimi.it/

### Speed improvements

- Currently we index about 3k jobs per day
- A lot of the slowness is related to merging content
- Some of the slowness is probably Solr tuning

### weari: A WEb ARchive Indexer

• Tika + HDFS + Pig + Solr = weari

http://bitbucket.org/cdl/weari

Thanks!

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