



# The Distributed Library: OAI for Digital Library Aggregation

UIUC's Role:

Registry of OAI Data Providers

<http://gita.grainger.uiuc.edu/registry>

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# Catalyst for the Registry

- Various OAI Related Projects at UIUC
  - Mellon Funded Gateway to Cultural Heritage Material
  - IMLS Digital Collections and Content
  - NSDL Digital Mathematics Resources
  - CIC OAI Metadata Harvesting Service
  - OAI Portal to Engineering, Physics, and Computer Science

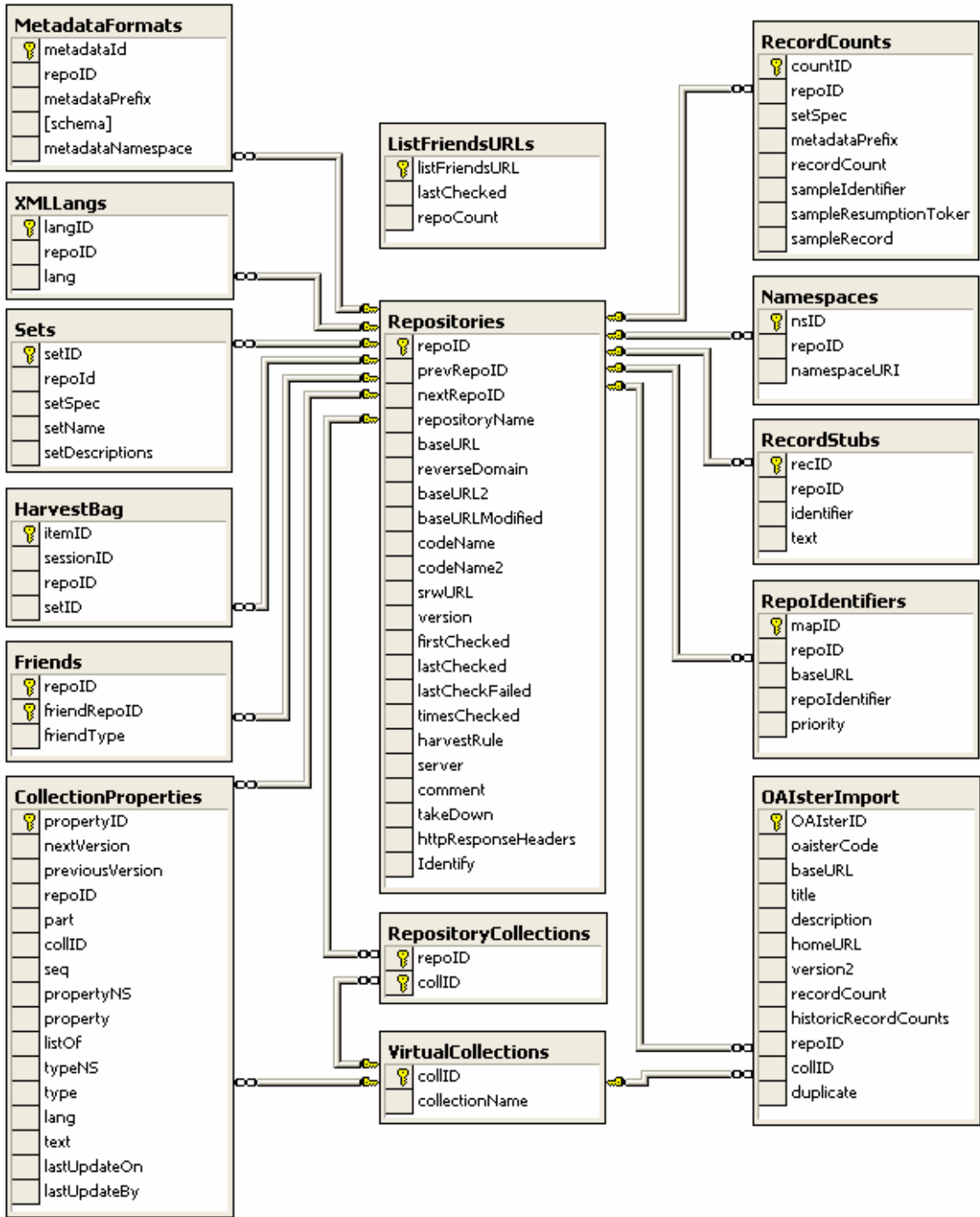


# Why Another OAI Registry

- Difficulty finding relevant OAI repositories to harvest, especially in selecting individual sets within a repository
- Other questions:
  - Which repositories are aggregating other repositories?
  - How big are individual repositories?
  - How to find new repositories as they come online?
  - What is the state of the OAI world?
- Enable other meta services



# Relational Database





# Sources

- Various other registries:
  - <http://celestial.eprints.org/cgi-bin/ListFriends.pl>
  - <http://oaisrv.nsdl.cornell.edu/Register/ListFriends.pl>
  - [http://www.language-archives.org/register/archive\\_list.php4](http://www.language-archives.org/register/archive_list.php4)
  - <http://www.mds.rmit.edu.au/~ajk/oai/interop/targets.xml>
  - <http://www.openarchives.org/OAI/RejectedSites>
  - <http://www.openarchives.org/Register/ListFriends.pl>
- Google ([allinurl:verb=Identify](#))
- [friends](#)
- [provenance](#)



# Features

- Many ways to Search and Browse
- Web Interface
- Harvestable via OAI
- RSS
- SRU
- Many ways to customize repository lists
- Many misc. reports and lists
- Harvest Bag (still in work)



# Features added for the DLF Distributed Library Project

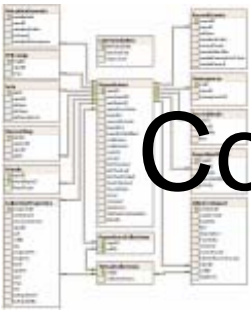
- Collection-level Description
  - Imported from OAIster
  - Detailed Manual Cataloging for DLF-Member Repositories
    - Sets can be Described as Sub-collections
    - Includes: GEM & LC Subject Heading, Item Types, Temporal & Spatial Coverage, Audience, Etc.
    - 33 Repositories, 155 Sets, 6853 Properties
  - Schema Conforms to the IMLS DCC Profile
    - <http://imlsdcc.grainger.uiuc.edu/about.htm#documentation>



# How to Access the Collection Descriptions

- Web Interface (Browse and Search)
- OAI <http://gita.grainger.uiuc.edu/registry/pxtest/oai.asp>
  - Each OAI repository is represented by one item
  - oai\_dc and imlsdcc metadata formats
- OAI gateway that exposes DLF-member repositories from one base URL  
<http://gita.grainger.uiuc.edu/registry/dlfgatewayplus/oai.aspx>
  - Each repository and set becomes a set in the gateway with the rich description contained in the <setDescription>





# Collection Description Next Steps

- Finish manual cataloging
- Explore automated enhancements
  - Harvest and analyze records and resources to embellish collection description
  - Also to embellish item-level search
  - Investigating Emory's MetaCombine Web Services to automatically cluster OAI metadata records
    - The clusters could be used to describe the collection?
    - Emory's command-line interface
    - We have also developed a simple web interface:
      - <http://gita.grainger.uiuc.edu/registry/cluster/doit.aspx>



# CollectionProperties

repoID	set	propertyNS	property	listOf	typeNS	type	lang	text
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848	NULL	http://purl.org/dc/terms/	abstract	0	NULL	NULL	NULL	The CDL Collection contains Coun...
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# Other Recent Enhancements

- [Browse By Subject Headings](#)
- [Lists of Related Repositories](#)
  - Including a couple summary reports



# More enhancements to come

- Advanced search
- Adding OAI Service Providers to the Registry
  - Which service providers are utilizing which repositories
- Self-service



# Questions