

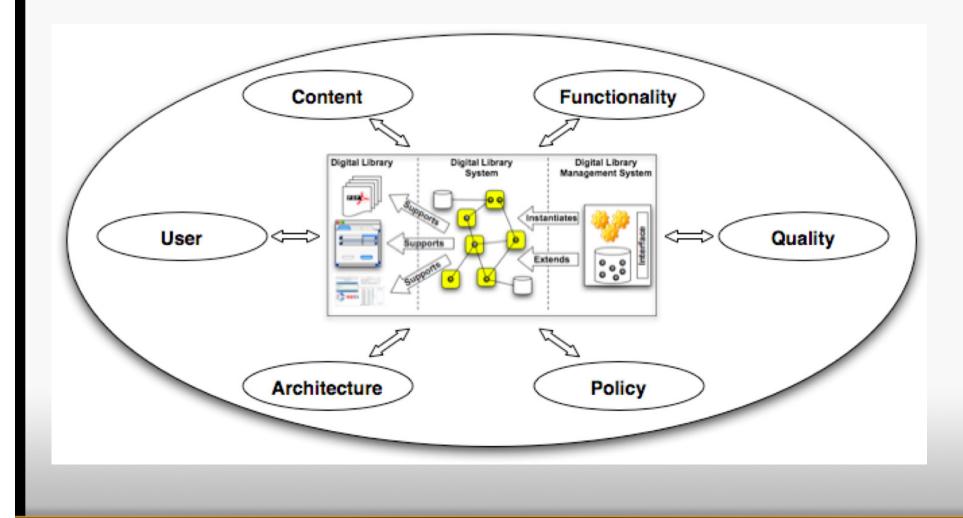
The DL.org Functionality & Content Concepts.

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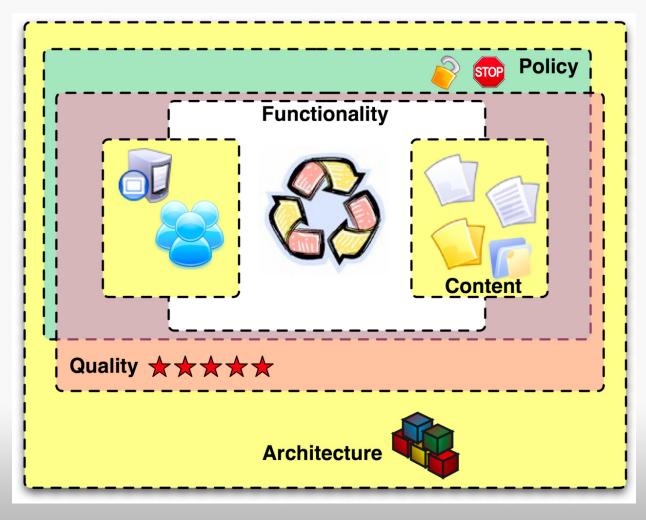


Reference Model





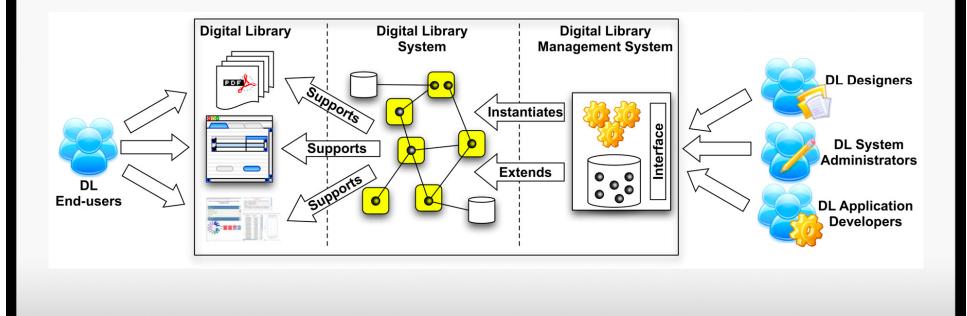
Functionality is the core





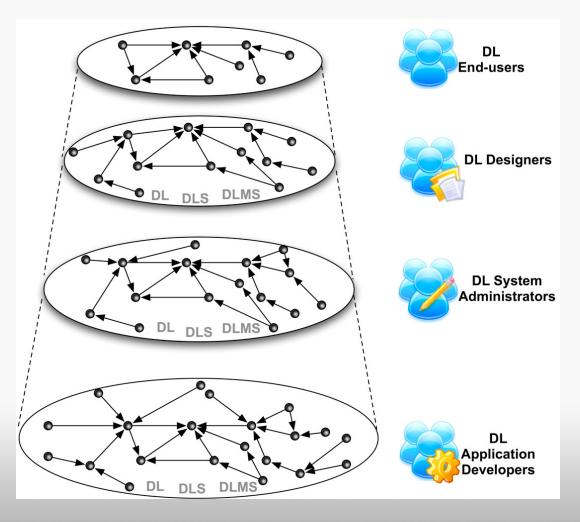
Functionality for ?

• Actors who use the DL functionality:





Relationships among users



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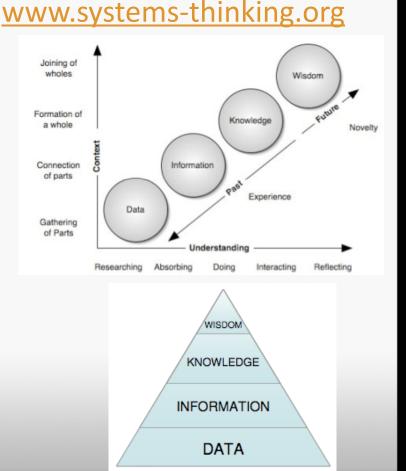
What is [the "Digital Library"] Content?

- Digital Libraries support intellectual activity across logical, conceptual, physical, temporal or personal borders
 - From a content-centric system to a person-centric system
 - From static storage and retrieval of information to facilitation of communication, collaboration and other forms of interaction among scholars, scientists, researchers or the general public
 - From handling mostly centrally located text to synthesising distributed multimedia document collections, sensor data, mobile information and pervasive computing services



From data to wisdom a.k.a. the DIKW hierarchy

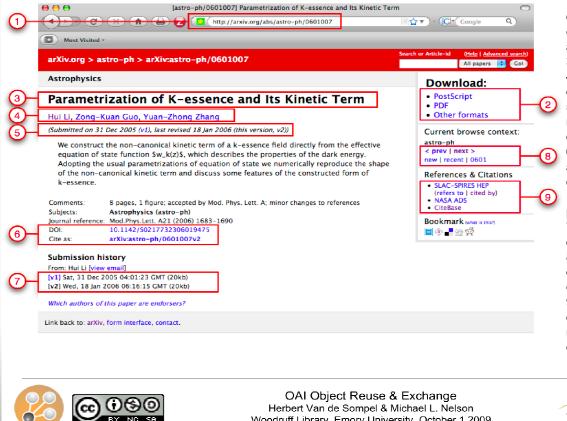
- **data** = raw facts
- information = processed data, connected data
- knowledge = application of information, appropriate collection of information
- wisdom = processed knowledge





"Papers" today

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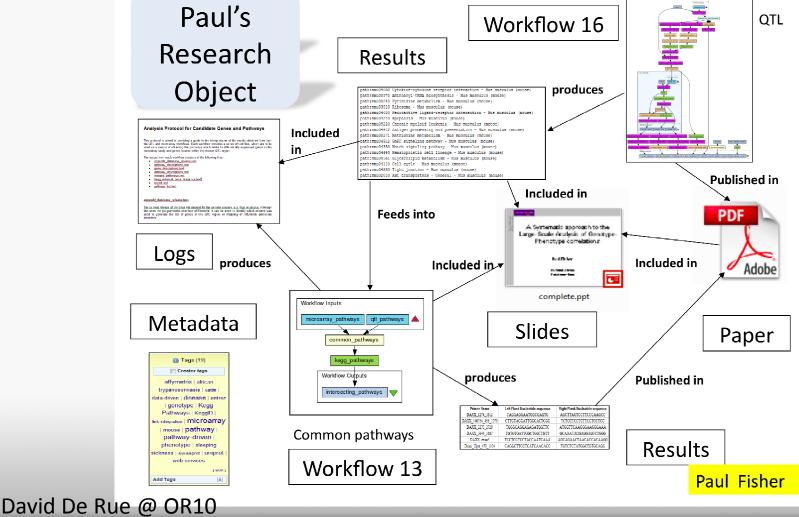


Woodruff Library, Emory University, October 1 2009

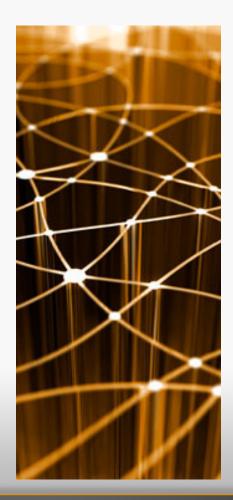




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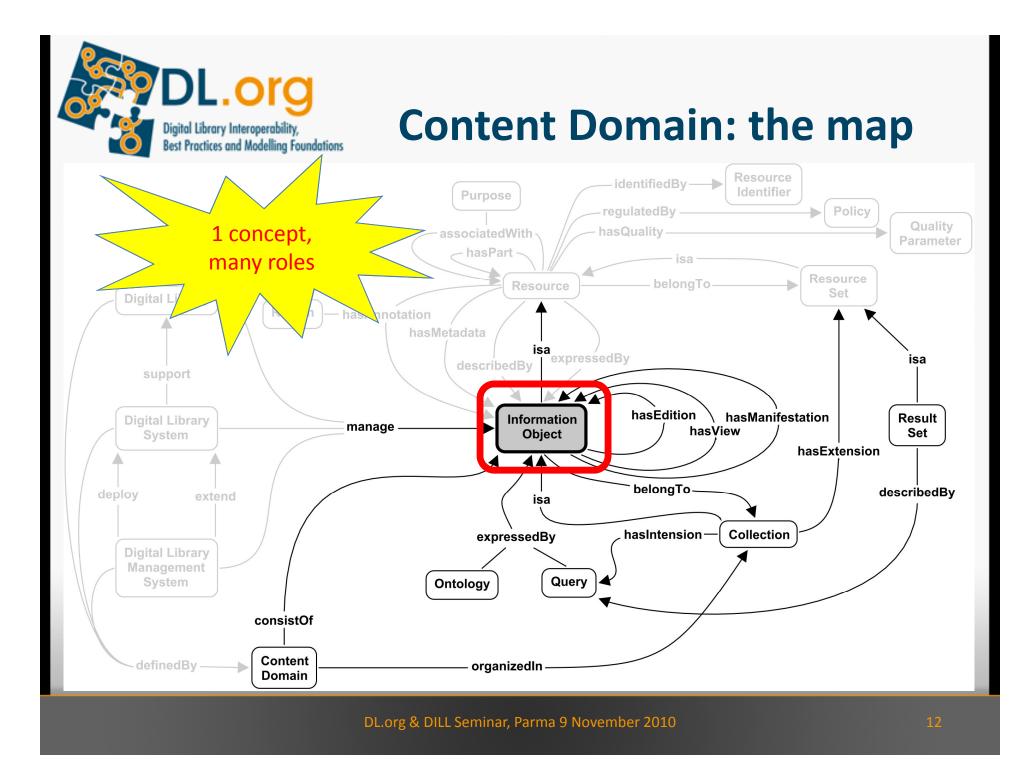
Content Domain: the Reference Model



Content Domain

One of the six main concepts characterising the Digital Library universe. It represents the various aspects related to the modelling of information managed in the Digital Library universe to serve the information needs of the *Actors*.

- Encompasses the data and information that the Digital Library handles and makes available to its users
- Encompasses the diverse range of information objects, including such resources as objects, annotations and metadata
- It is composed of a set of information objects organised in collections





Information Object

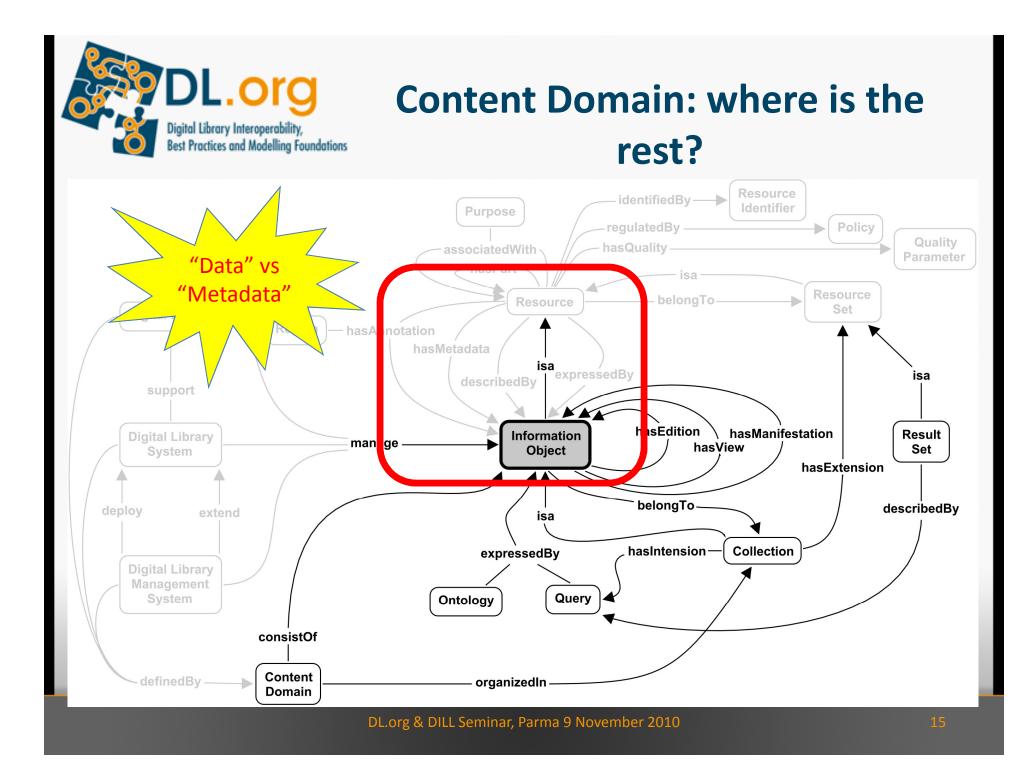
The main *Resource* of the *Content Domain*. An *Information Object* is a *Resource* identified by a *Resource Identifier*. It may have *Metadata*, *Annotations* and multiple *Editions, Views, Manifestations,* which are also represented as *Information Objects*. In addition, it may have *Quality Parameters* and *Policies*.

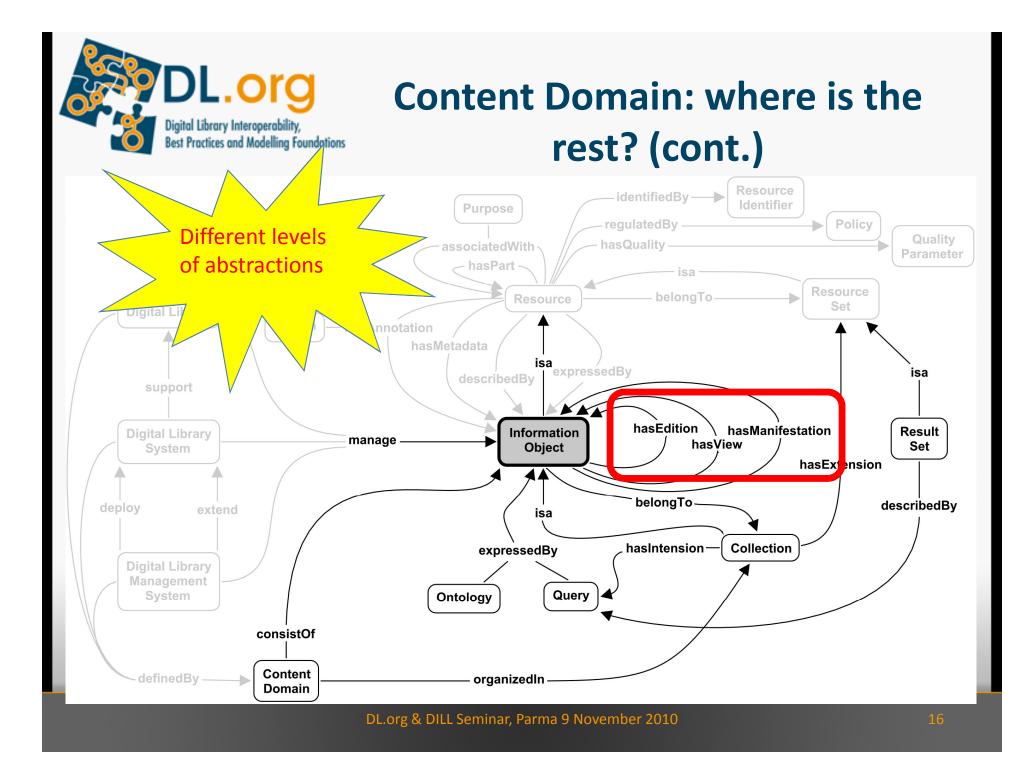


Information Object (cont.)

As an *Information Object* is a *Resource*, it inherits all its features

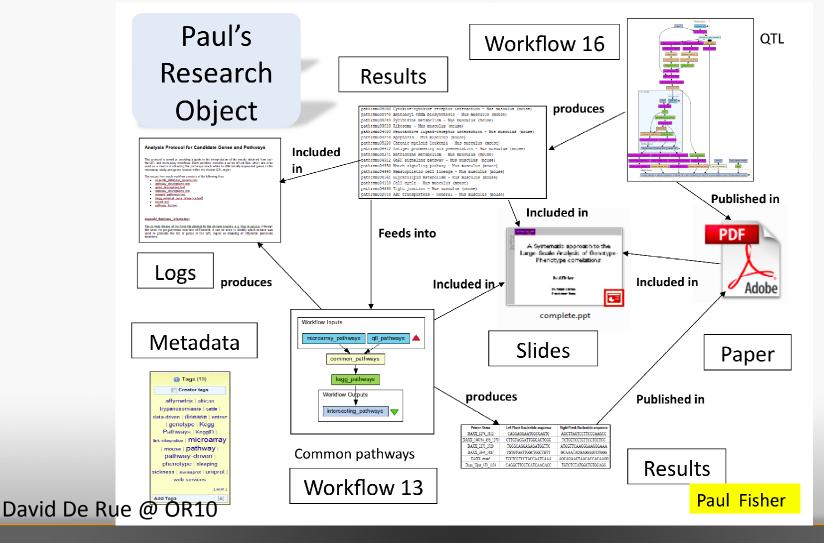
- has a unique identifier (Resource Identifier) also known as the information object identifier;
- is arranged according to a format (*Resource Format*) also known as the document model;
- can arbitrarily be composed (<hasPart> and <associatedWith>) to capture compound artefacts;
- is characterised by various *Quality Parameters* each capturing different object quality facets (<<u>hasQuality</u>>);
- is regulated by *Policies* (<*regulatedBy*>) governing every aspect of its lifetime; and
- can be described or augmented by *Metadata* (<*hasMetadata*>) and *Annotations* (<*hasAnnotation*>)





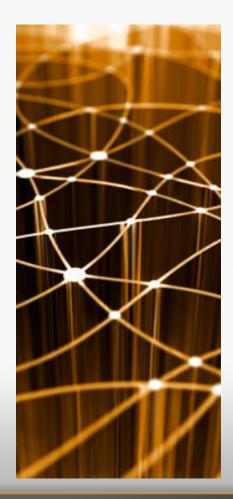


Do we have enough constructs?



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Functionality Domain: the Reference Model



The Functionality Domain

Captures all services that are offered on *Resources* and activities that can be observed by *Actors* in a Digital Library





Wikipedia (Oct. 4, 2010, 11:12:56 CET)

- In the abstract set-theoretic approach, a function is a relation between the domain and the codomain that associates each element in the domain with exactly one element in the codomain.
- An example of a function with domain {1,2,3} and codomain {2,3,4} associates 1 with 2, 2 with 3, and 3 with 4.



A special kind of function

Réponse nº 1 Domaine peinture Type d'objet tableau Titre PORTRAIT DE MONA LISA (1479-1528) ; DITE LA JOCONDE Auteur/exécutant LEONARDO DI SER PIERO DA VINCI ; VINCI Léonard de (dit) Précision auteur/exécutant Vinci, 1452 ; Amboise, 1519 Ecole Italie Période création/exécution 1er guart 16e siècle Millésime création/exécution 1503 entre : 1506 et Genèse oeuvre en rapport ; reproduit en gravure Historique commandé par le florentin Francesco del Giocondo, époux de Mona Lisa entre 1503 et 1506 nombreuses copies dont une conservée au Louvre ; gravé par Fauchery, par Filhol, par Landon Matériaux/techniques peinture à l'huile ; bois Mesures 77 H ; 53 L Sujet représenté portrait (Mona Lisa, femme, à mi-corps, de trois-guarts, assis, accoudé, loggia, Italien) ; fond de paysage (montagne, rocher, cours d'eau, pont, plaine, route) Date sujet représenté 1479-1528 Lieu de conservation Paris : musée du Louvre département des Peintures Musée de France au sens de la loi n° 2002-5 du 4 janvier 2002 Statut juridique propriété de l'Etat ; musée du Louvre département des Peintures Anciennes appartenances François ler ; Couronne de France Numéro d'inventaire INV 779 Commentaires légère diminution du tableau sur les côtés (environ 7 mm) ; acheté vraisemblablement vers 1519, après la mort de l'artiste Bibliographie HEYDENRICH 6 : OTTINO DELLA CHIESA 31 : VILLOT I 484 : HAUTECOEUR 1601 : C.S.I. 1981, P 192 Copyright notice C Musée du Louvre, C Direction des Musées de France, 1999 Crédits photographiques © Réunion des musées nationaux ; © Hervé Lewandowski ; © Thierry Le Mage commande reproduction et/ou conditions d'utilisation renseignements sur le musée 000PE025604



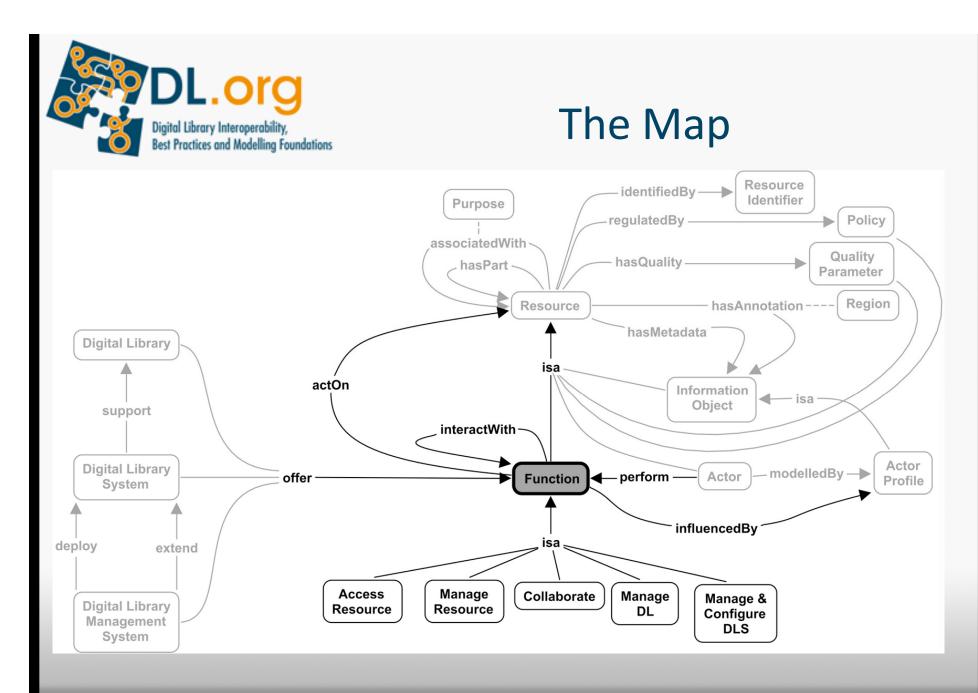
In Computer Science

- A function is a (logical) machine that performs a specific task.
 - In a DL, there are a number of such machines, ready to be used by the (authorized) user
- In order to use a function, the function must be applied
 - i.e. the machine must be started
 - push a button on a GUI
 - enter a URL is a browser
 - type some text in a terminal window



In Computer Science

- When applied, a function becomes a process:
 - has input parameters
 - has output parameters
 - may change the DL
- Querying
- Inserting an object
- but there is a lot more ...



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A Function is-a Resource

- it has a unique identifier (Resource Identifier)
 - is it an information resource or a non-information resource?
- it has structure:
 - can be atomic
 - composed of no other functions
 - the composition of simpler functions, which results in an arbitrarily structured workflow:
 - <hasPart> A function has functions as its parts
 - <associatedWith> A function is associated with a function for a Purpose



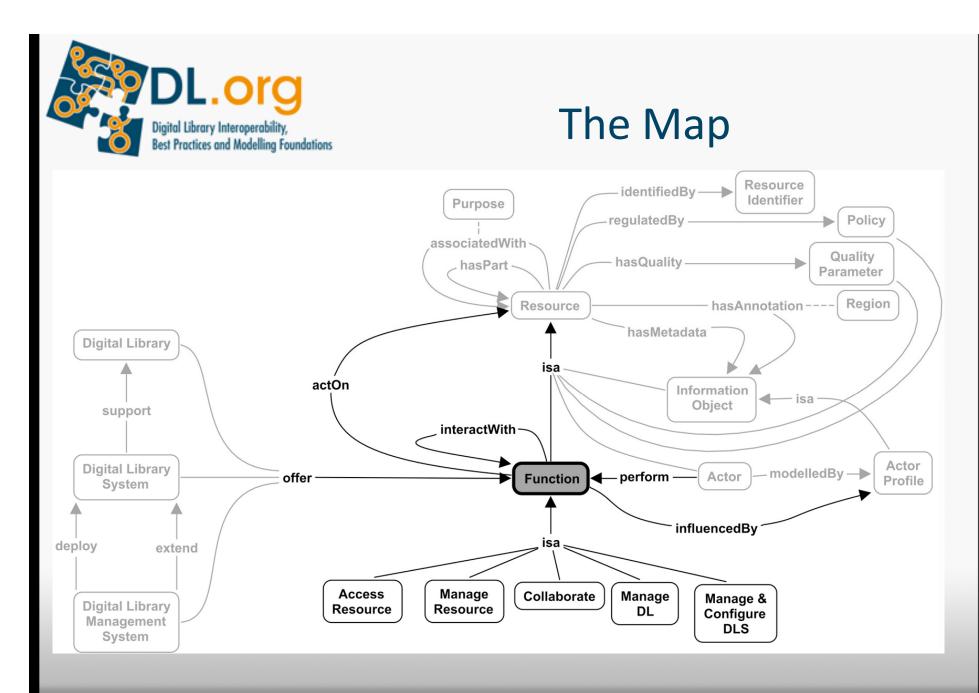
A Function is-a Resource

- it is characterised by various Quality Parameters covering various quality aspects (<hasQuality>)
 - synchronous vs. asynchronous
 - efficient
 - robust
 - state-full vs state-less
 - CPU-bound vs I/O-bound
- its lifetime and behaviour are regulated by Policies (<regulatedBy>)
 - which Actors are allowed to perform the Function in a certain context
 - which billing schema applies to the Function
- it can be enriched with Metadata (<hasMetadata>)
 - there are many languages for describing functions, from technically-oriented ones (such as WSDL) to more semantically-oriented ones (DAML-S)
 - Functions are searchable, like any other resource



A Function is-a Resource

- it can be enriched with Annotation (<hasAnnotation>)
 - pre-formalization
 - helping the interpretation
 - social activity



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A Function is a Function

- A Function acts on Resources (<actOn>)
 - Resources means not only Information Objects but also Functions, Actor profiles, Policies, etc.
- A Function interacts with other Functions (<interactWith>)
 - Orders functions within a workflow



How is a Function born?

The result of a complex process/chain.

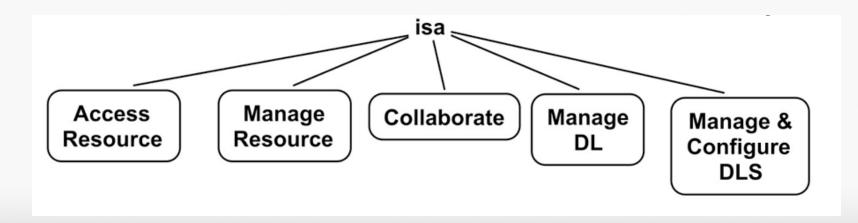
A simplified waterfall picture (largely inspired by the process in Europeana):

- Business sees a new opportunity and defines a need
- Potential users elaborate the need in form of a (system of) requirement(s)
- Conceptual modellers turn requirements into a functional specification
- Developers turn the functional specification into a technical specification
- Business performs cost/benefit analysis on the technical specification and (sometimes) signs it off for implementation
- Developers turn the technical specification into software
- Quality controllers test the software to check whether it meets quality parameters
- Users tests the software to check whether it meets the initial requirements
- System administrators deploy the software into the architecture, and subsequently make sure the software operates correctly as the context around the DL evolves.



What Functions in a DL?

- Each Digital Library may have its own set of *Functions* depending on its underlying business models.
- *Function* is specialised into five other concepts that still represent quite general classes of activities.





Access

Access Functions help in identifying and obtaining Resources.

Access Resource encompasses all machines related to

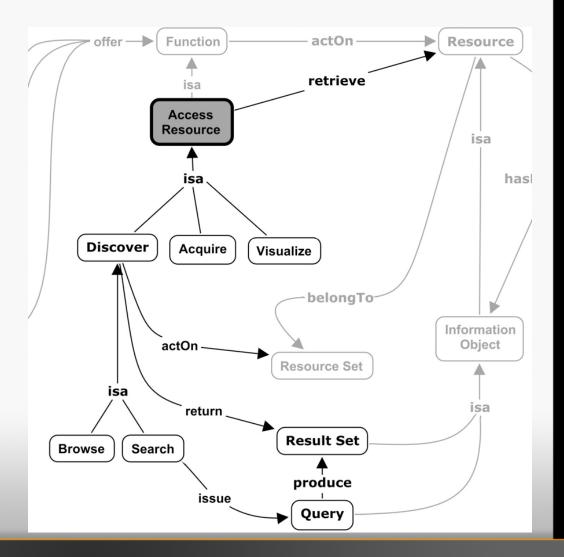
- requesting
- locating
- retrieving
- transforming
- representing in a 'material form'
- a Resource

Access Functions do not modify the DL



Access functions

C32 Access Resource C33 Discover C34 Browse C35 Search C36 Acquire C37 Visualise



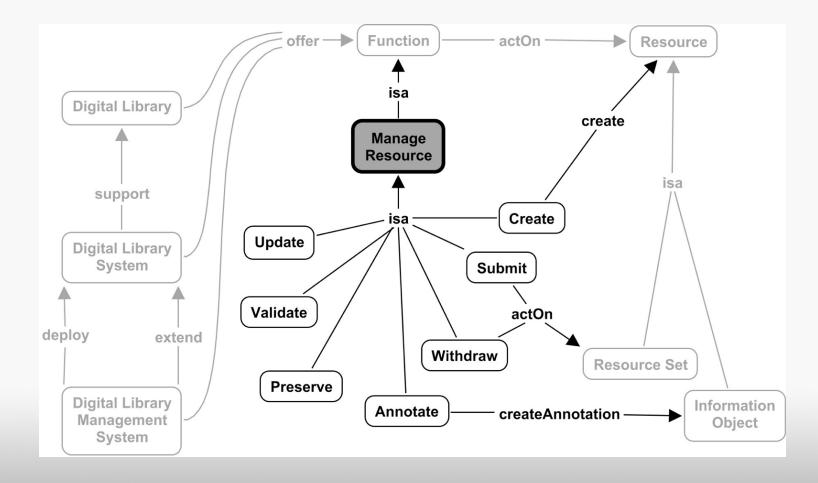


Manage Resource

- includes all machines for
 - creating new Resources
 - inserting them into the DL
 - deleting old Resources
 - updating existing Resources,
 - converting or transformating existing Resources.

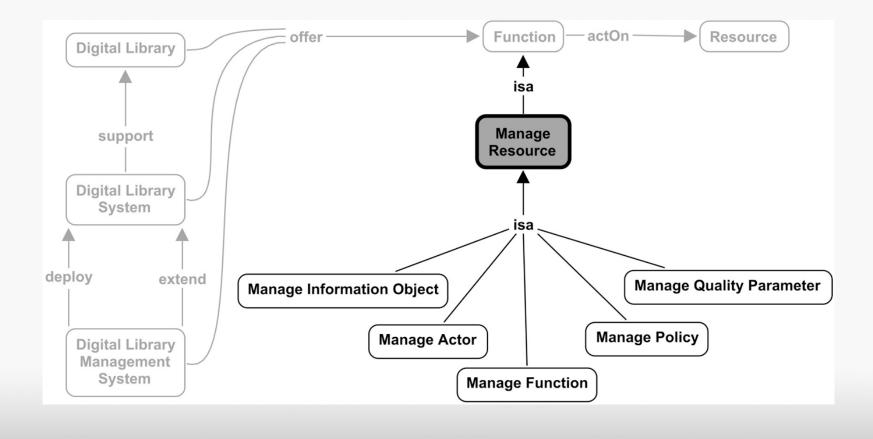


Manage Resource for all Resources



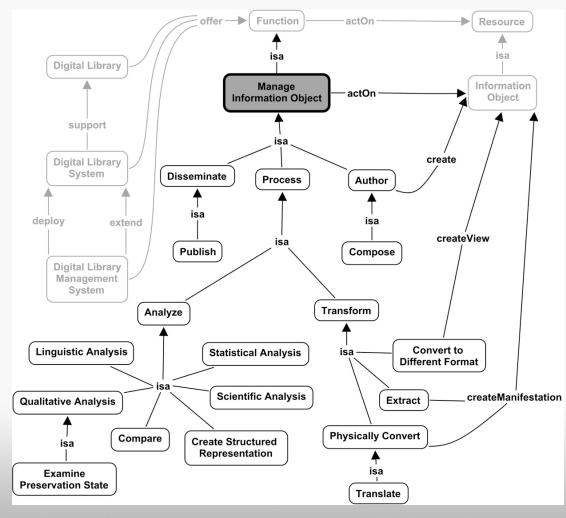


Manage Resource per Resource Type



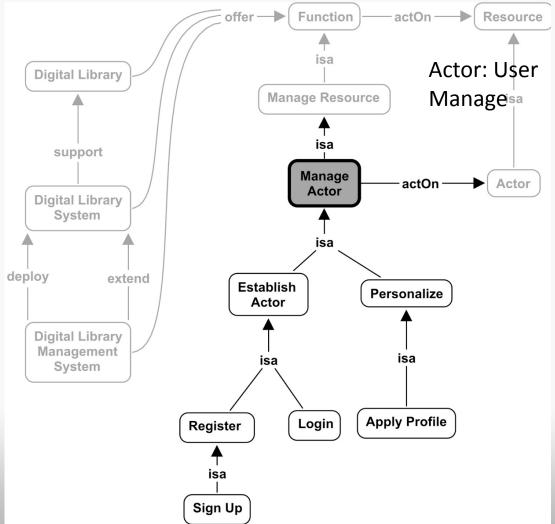


Manage Information Object



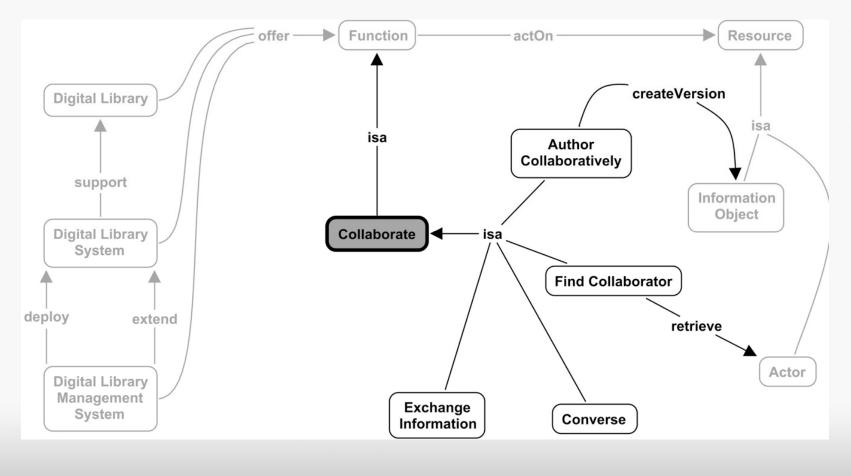


Manage Actor



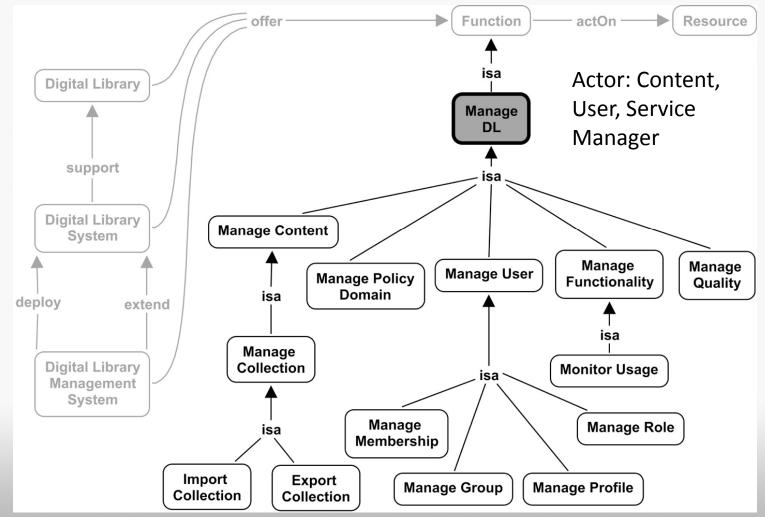


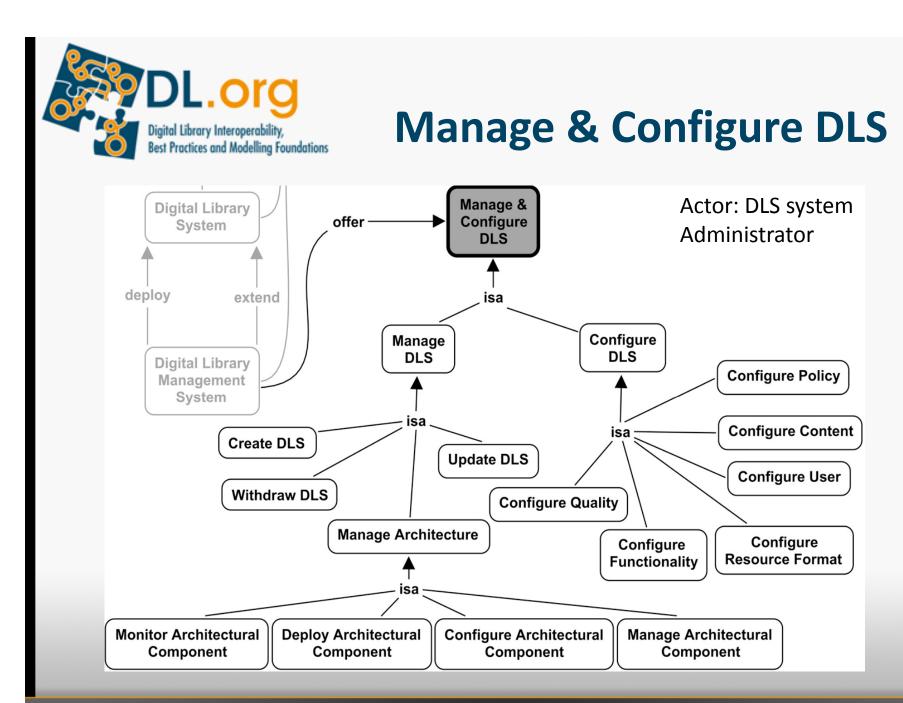
Collaborate





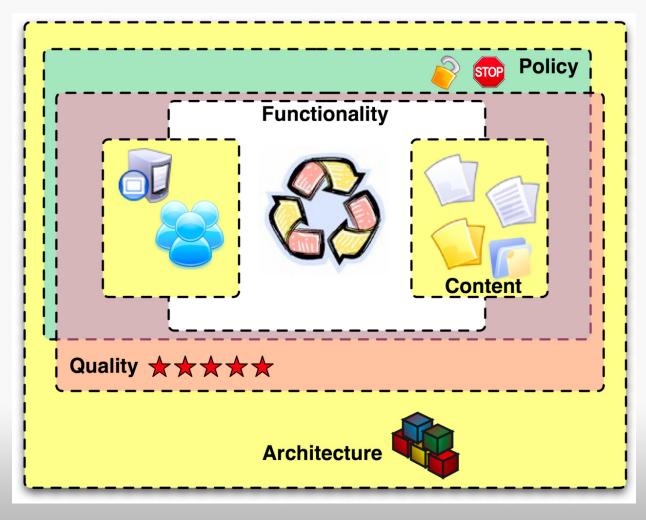
Manage DL



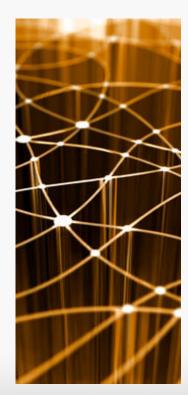




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