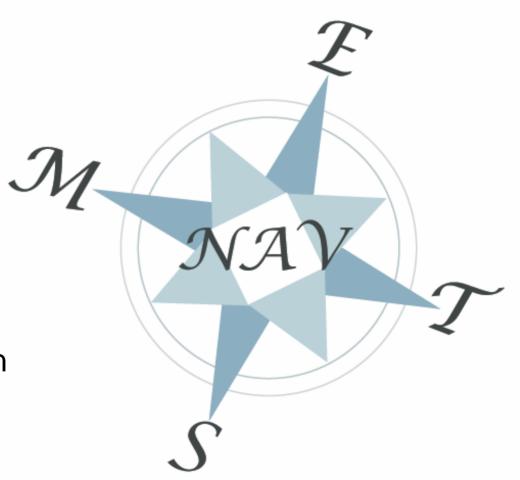
## **METS Navigator**

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### **Outline**

- Overview and history
- Demonstration
- Use of METS
- Technological overview
- Future development and release plans

# Overview: What is METS Navigator?

METS Navigator is a METS-based system for displaying and navigating sets of page images or other multi-image digital objects.

#### Previous page-turning implementations at IU

- DLXS Text Class
  - For text collections
  - Since 2000 (Wright American Fiction)
  - Integrates TEI-encoded texts with page images
- Custom-built
  - For <u>IU Sheet Music</u> project
  - Relies on images present in a certain structure on the file system
- Neither option extensible enough for future collections

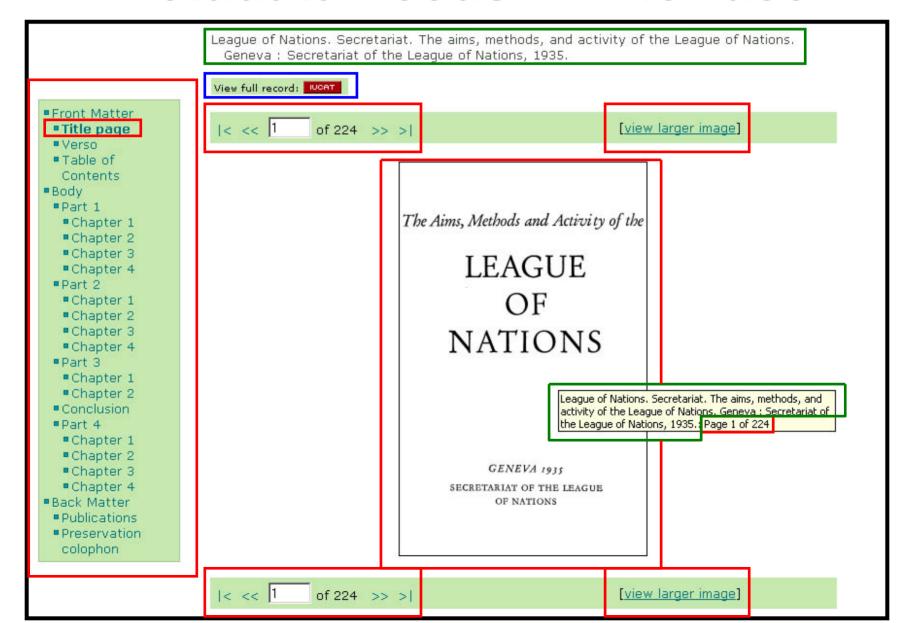
## Why a new page-turner?

- METS Navigator was built initially to provide access to brittle books digitized by Indiana University Libraries' Preservation Lab
- Recognizing the need for such a tool page-turning tool across digital library projects, METS Navigator was built to be extendible and configurable.

#### Demo

- <u>Default Collection</u> (sample brittle books)
- Jane Johnson Collection
- Chymistry of Isaac Newton

#### Metadata needs in interface



## Why choose METS?

- Can wrap the structural, descriptive, and administrative metadata necessary for the interface together in one place
- Flexibility in choice of descriptive metadata schema
- Format neutral
- Frequently used for SIPs

# Purposes of our METS documents

- Now: Provide metadata needed by page turner
- Later: Long term management of digital library objects in a repository

# METS sections for page turning

- <fileSec><fileGrp USE="screen">
- <fileSec><fileGrp USE="full">
- <structMap TYPE="physical">
- <structMap TYPE="logical">

### METS <div TYPE="">

#### Now

- Show/hide nodes in a structure
- Flag illustrations within a book
- Mark blank pages

#### Future

- Indicate a group of objects to be displayed together
- Specify the scope of navigation
- Indicate where to find an ID for linking into another application
- Provide scope for searching?

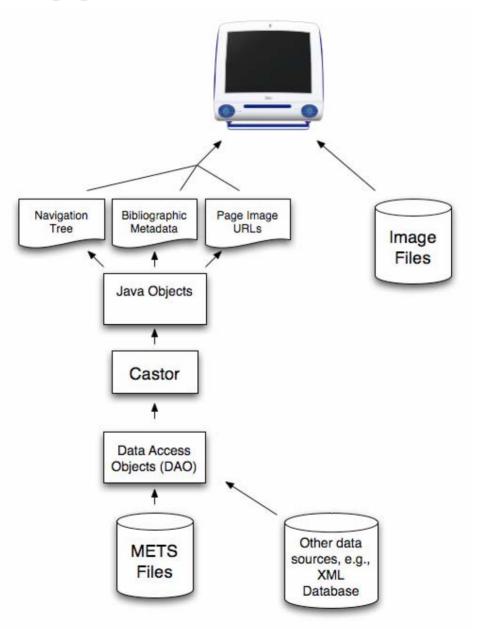
# Next steps: Metadata for digital object management

- <metsHdr>
- <fileSec><fileGrp USE="archive">
- <dmdSec>
- Others
  - techMD
  - rightsMD
  - sourceMD
  - digiprovMD

#### **Technological Overview**

- Programming Language: Java (<a href="http://java.sun.com/">http://java.sun.com/</a>)
- Web Application Framework: Struts (http://struts.apache.org/)
- Java & XML Data Binding: Castor (http://www.castor.org/)
- Build & Deployment Platforms: Ant (<u>http://ant.apache.org/</u>) & Tomcat (<u>http://jakarta.apache.org/tomcat/</u>)

### **Application Structure**



### metsnav-config.xml

metsnav-config.xml

#### **Release and Distribution Plans**

- METS Navigator will be released as an open source project under an IU "BSDlike" license and available from SourceForge
- Distribution will include small, sample collection and multiple display configurations
- Distribution will include both .war Web application and .jar library
- Anticipated release date: May 31, 2005

## **Future plans**

- User testing
  - For end-users
  - For implementers
- More flexible display of descriptive metadata
- Increased configurability of layouts
- Development of "METS Builder" tools
- Based on user feedback and emerging best practices, continue to revise METS requirements and expectations

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