VIRTUALIZING THE CIC FLOPPY DISK PROJECT: AN EXPERIMENT IN PRESERVATION USING EMULATION

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CIC Floppy Disk Project

The CIC Floppy Disk Project is a partnership between the U.S. Government Printing Office and the Indiana University, Bloomington Libraries on behalf of the Committee on Institutional Cooperation (CIC), making publications that were Desktop distributed to federal depository libraries on floppy disk available via FTP over the Internet. The site is designed to provide a central location through which Federal Data, made available on floppy diskettes, can be identified, located and University of downloaded. While the project provides the information as it was originally presented on the floppy disks, it cannot Chicago provide software which might be needed to fully operate the disk. Records provided within the FDP inform the user about University of the specifications and may refer users to "read me" files. Consultation with local computer administrators may be required. With the ever-increasing number of products being released by the Government Printing Office, FDP enables libraries to either fill in gaps to their collections, or provide an immediate access point for patrons. While the collection represents over 200 entries, our collection is not complete. We would welcome contributions from your library's holdings University or suggested titles. University of

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3. Once the file is downloaded, double click on it to "explode" the compressed files and directories (the files will be extracted within the directory where the compressed file resides).

Every effort has been made to maintain the original file/directory structure of the diskettes. Please let us know if you have any problems or suggestions.

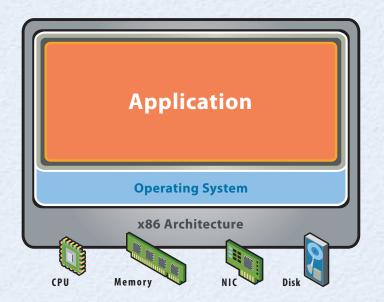
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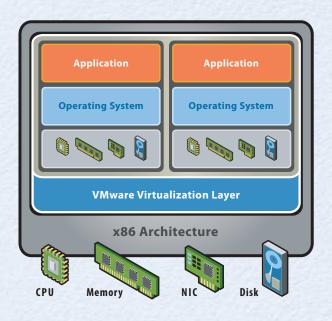
- Documents in FDP (for example) require obsolete applications and operating systems
- Installing documents to access them requires specialized expertise
- These problems generalize to SUDOC documents on CD-ROM

VIRTUALIZATION



Before Virtualization:

- Single OS image per machine
- Software and hardware tightly coupled
- Running multiple applications on same machine
 often creates conflict
- Underutilized resources
- Inflexible and costly infrastructure



After Virtualization:

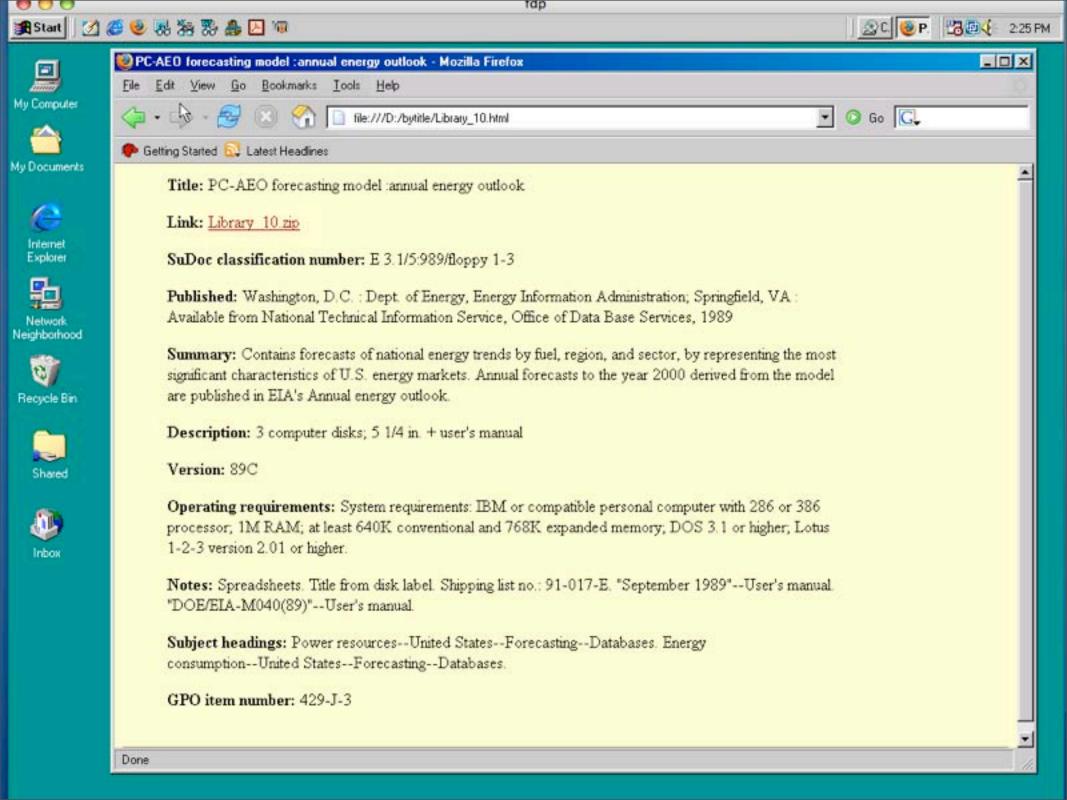
- Hardware-independence of operating system and applications
- Virtual machines can be provisioned to any system
- Can manage OS and application as a single unit by encapsulating them into virtual machines

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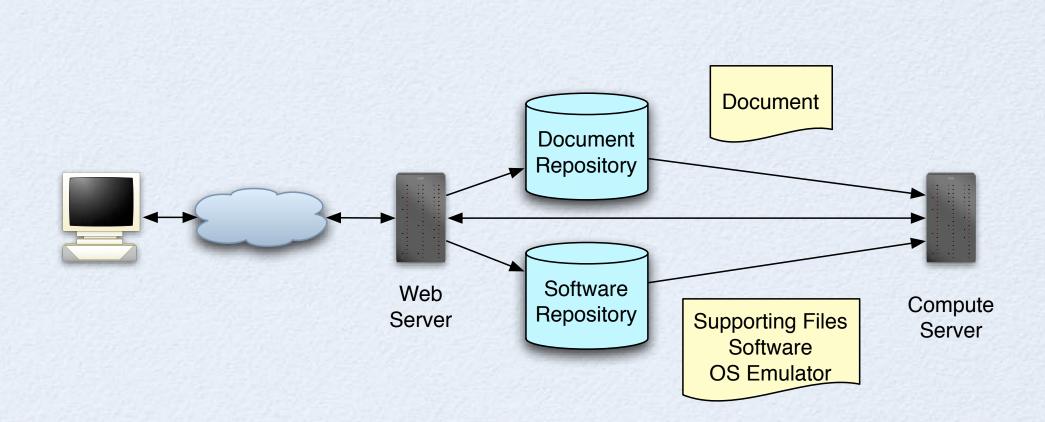
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MODELARCHITECTURE



ACTIONS IN RESPONSE TO PATRON REQUEST

- A pre-configured emulator is allocated
- Emulator is customized
 - Document file system mounted
 - Document specific installation executed
 - Shared file directories created for patron use
- Link to emulator and web accessible file system provided through patron browser
- Emulator executes remotely under patron control

PREPARATION FOR VIRTUALIZATION

- Analyze software requirements of document collections
- Build software images (OS, applications)
- Build and test customization scripts

EXAMPLE -- FLOPPY DISK REQUIREMENTS

Library 2.zip: Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract INSTALL.EXE: MS-DOS executable (EXE) INSTALL.DAT: ASCII C program text, with CRLF line terminators DISK.ID: ASCII text, with CRLF line terminators DDB.001: data Library 4.zip: Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract UMINSTR.DOS: (Corel/WP) UMINSTR.WIN: (Corel/WP) UMWP51.DOS: (Corel/WP) UMWP61.WIN: (Corel/WP) VOCED.EXE: MS-DOS executable (EXE), PKLITE compressed vl help.dbf: DBase 3 data file (209 records) vl.exe: MS-DOS executable (EXE) vl descr.ndx: DBase 3 index file vl keycd.ndx: DBase 3 data file (12 records) vl keywd.dbf: DBase 3 data file with memo(s) (219 records) vl keywd.dbt: data vl keywd.ndx: data vl opmen.dbf: DBase 3 data file (3 records) vl projc.dbf: DBase 3 data file with memo(s) (22 records) vl projc.dbt: data vl rcstr.dbf: DBase 3 data file with memo(s) (no records) vl rcstr.dbt: data vl rwcol.dbf: DBase 3 data file with memo(s) (57 records) vl rwcol.dbt: data vl tdesc.dbf: DBase 3 data file with memo(s) (21 records) vl tdesc.dbt: data p016n.dbf: DBase 3 data file (900 records) p016r.dbf: DBase 3 data file (115 records) p017c.dbf: DBase 3 data file (80 records) p017n.dbf: DBase 3 data file (270 records) p017r.dbf: DBase 3 data file (30 records) p018c.dbf: DBase 3 data file (34 records) p018n.dbf: DBase 3 data file (45 records) p018r.dbf: DBase 3 data file (43 records) p019c.dbf: DBase 3 data file (78 records) p019n.dbf: DBase 3 data file (232 records) nollar dhf. DRaco 3 data filo (51 records)

UNIX FILE

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NAME

file – determine file type

SYNOPSIS

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file [ -bciknsvzL ] [ -f namefile ] [ -m magicfiles ] file
file -C [ -m magicfile ]
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DESCRIPTION

This manual page documents version 3.39 of the file command.

File tests each argument in an attempt to classify it. There are three sets of tests, performed in this order: filesystem tests, magic number tests, and language tests. The *first* test that succeeds causes the file type to be printed.

UNIX FILE -- EXAMPLE

-bash-2.05b\$ file ddd.JPG Debug.pdf lab2.tex print.c

ddd.JPG: JPEG image data, JFIF standard 1.01, resolution (DPI), 96 x 96 Debug.pdf: PDF document, version 1.2 lab2.tex: LaTeX 2e document text print.c: ASCII C program text

PERL SCRIPT TO AUTOMATE

```
sub fileinfo()
   my @allfiles;
   my $file;
   my \ f = \ [0];
   my \ d = cwd();
   my $tmpdir;
   printf "@tabs";
    open FH, "file \"$f\"|";
   my $info = <FH>;
    close FH;
    printf "$info";
    if (-d $f) # recurse
    {
        $tmpdir = $f;
    elsif ($info =~ m/Zip/)
    {
        $tmpdir = tempdir( CLEANUP => 1 );
        system("unzip $f -d $tmpdir > /dev/null");
    elsif ($info =~ m/ARC archive/)
    {
        $tmpdir = tempdir( CLEANUP => 1 );
        pushdir($tmpdir);
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        system("arc x \) dev/null"):
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INTERESTING RULE

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elsif ($info =~ m/SFX | PKLITE/)
{
    $tmpdir = tempdir( CLEANUP => 1 );
    pushdir($tmpdir);
    system("cp\"$d/$f\".");
    system("dosemu -dumb $f >> /nfs/troy/home/digarchive/doserrs");
    system("rm $f");
    popdir();
}
```

TOP 20 FILE TYPES

- 2323 data (ASCII)
- 858 Lotus 1-2-3 wk1 document data
- 851 ASCII text, with CRLF line terminators
- 551 data (binary)
- 532 ASCII English text, with CRLF line terminators
- 508 DBase 3 data file
- 361 Zip archive data, at least v2.0 to extract
- 228 binary Computer Graphics Metafile
- 206 MS-DOS executable, MZ for MS-DOS
- 166 Zip archive data, at least v1.0 to extract
- 166 MS Compress archive data
- 119 VMS Alpha executable
- 118 directory
- 101 MS-DOS executable, NE for MS Windows 3.x (driver)
- 86 Lotus 1-2-3 wk3 document data
- 82 MS-DOS executable, NE for MS Windows 3.x
- 78 ARC archive data, dynamic LZW
- 64 Lotus 1-2-3
- 57 (Corel/WP)
- 47 Non-ISO extended-ASCII English text, with CRLF line terminators

SOFTWARE REQUIRED FOR FDP

- Windows 98 (most disks were for msdos, win 3.1)
- DBase III -- (dbfviewer2000)
- WordPerfect
- Lotus 1-2-3 (smartsuite, smartsuite viewer)
- Microsoft Word (we use free msword viewer)
- Various Archive Tools
- Browser (we use Firefox)
- Generic Postscript Printer Driver
- Software we didn't install -- pascal, fortran, sas, arcinfo

PRACTICAL ISSUES

- Printing -- we print postscript to files
- File transfer -- windows sharing from guest to host
- Security

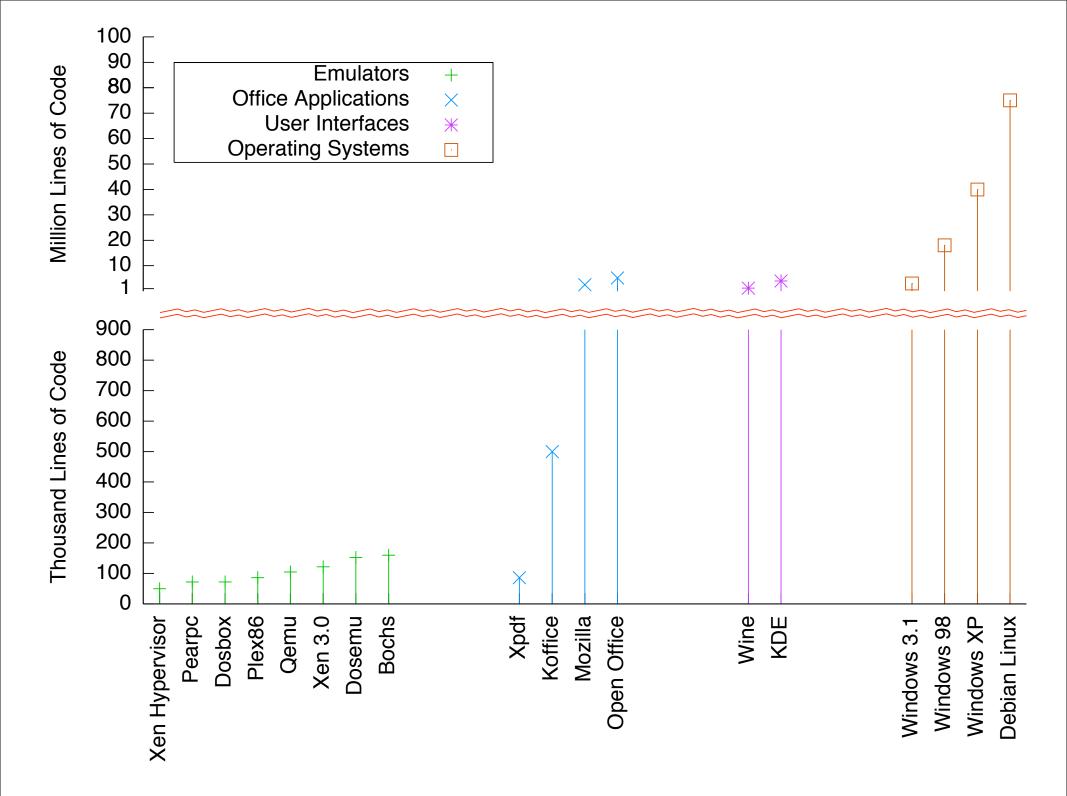
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Adequate Testing
Customization Scripts
Web Delivery

PHILOSOPHICAL ISSUES

• Who Preserves the Emulator ?

• Why Not Just Migration ?



WHY NOT JUST MIGRATION

- Loss of information -- e.g. word edits
- Loss of fidelity -- e.g. WordPerfect to Word isn't very good
- Loss of authenticity -- users of migrated document need access to original to verify authenticity
- Not always possible -- closed proprietary formats
- Not always feasible -- costs may be too high
- Emulation may necessary to enable migration

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When news started circulating in Italy that a heavily censored Pentagon report into the death of secret agent Nicola Calipari had been decrypted, many thought it must be the work of some top-notch hacker.

In fact, it turned out that the

top-secret details - such as the

name of the soldier who fired the deadly rounds of ammunition - could be made readable with two simple clicks of your computer mouse.

A few hours after the Pentagon published the report on its website, a few Italian readers found they could make the blacked-out paragraphs reappear by cutting and pasting them from the site into a Word document.

Salvatore Schifani, a 30-year-old IT worker, spotted the document at about 0300 local time (0100 GMT) on Saturday night.

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NEW YORK -In the year since pharmaceutical giant Merck withdrew its arthritis drug Vioxx from shelves, the company has been hit with 7,000 personal injury lawsuits--one of which already cost the company \$253 million. But it could be a frequently misused feature of Microsoft Word that turns out to be the straw that broke Merck's back.

SUDOCVIRTUALIZATION PROJECT

- Approximately 2500 SUDOC CD-ROMs in IU Library
- We've done preliminary analysis on 150 CD-ROMs

• We are currently creating electronic copies of approximately 1000 CD-ROMs (skipping A, C3.278/2, C3.278/3, C21/5/6, E, HE, N, T, X, Y)



- Deliver key SUDOC collections through virtualization
 - Develop web delivery techniques
 - Improve our software analysis tools
 - Develop image customization techniques (e.g. perform software install on the fly)

HOW THIS WORK MIGHT BE USED

- Libraries share pool of software images and licenses
- Libraries share expertise in supporting various document collections
- Libraries collaborate to provide redundancy
- Patrons access from anywhere without needing to obtain or install special software

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Statistics on SUDOC usage
- Collaborate on building tools/infrastructure

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