

# Designing Storage Architectures for Digital Collections 2018

## Suggested Background Reading

In preparation for the 2018 DSA meeting at the Library of Congress, here are a few recommended background readings. Please note, these items are not intended as exhaustive or prescriptive; they are merely intended to provide useful context related to the meeting topics

### Why Do We Save Stuff?

**NY Times: “What can odd interesting medical case studies teach us?”**

[www.nytimes.com/2018/07/17/magazine/what-can-odd-interesting-medical-case-studies-teach-us.html](http://www.nytimes.com/2018/07/17/magazine/what-can-odd-interesting-medical-case-studies-teach-us.html)

**Vint Cerf: “The Prospect of a Digital Dark Age”**

[www.cbsnews.com/video/vint-cerf-on-the-prospect-of-a-digital-dark-age/](http://www.cbsnews.com/video/vint-cerf-on-the-prospect-of-a-digital-dark-age/)

### Digital Preservation – General

**Library of Congress Designing Storage Architecture Meetings: 2007-2017**

[www.digitalpreservation.gov/meetings/](http://www.digitalpreservation.gov/meetings/)

**Library of Congress: “National Recording Preservation Plan”**

[www.loc.gov/programs/national-recording-preservation-plan/about-this-program/](http://www.loc.gov/programs/national-recording-preservation-plan/about-this-program/)

**International Federation of Library Associations: “Making Digital Durable: IFLA Celebrates First International Digital Preservation Day”**

[www.ifla.org/node/18583](http://www.ifla.org/node/18583)

**OAIS Reference Model (ISO 14721): “The fundamental standard for digital preservation”**

[www.oais.info/](http://www.oais.info/)

**Library of Congress Blog: “What do you mean by archive?”**

[blogs.loc.gov/thesignal/2014/02/what-do-you-mean-by-archive-genres-of-usage-for-digital-preservers/](http://blogs.loc.gov/thesignal/2014/02/what-do-you-mean-by-archive-genres-of-usage-for-digital-preservers/)

**ScienceFriday Series: “File Not Found”**

[www.sciencefriday.com](http://www.sciencefriday.com)

- Ghosts in the Reels – Part 1
- The Librarians Saving the Internet – Part 2
- Data Reawakening – Part 3

**LOCKSS Program: “Keeping Bits Safe: How Hard Can It Be?”**

[lockss.org/locksswiki/files/ACM2010.pdf](http://lockss.org/locksswiki/files/ACM2010.pdf)

**Digital Preservation Coalition: “Digital Preservation Handbook”**

[www.dpconline.org/handbook/organisational-activities/storage](http://www.dpconline.org/handbook/organisational-activities/storage)

**National Digital Stewardship Alliance: “Fixity Survey Report”**

[nds.a.org/documents/Report\\_2017NDSAFixitySurvey.pdf](https://nds.a.org/documents/Report_2017NDSAFixitySurvey.pdf)

**Digital Preservation Storage Criteria**

[osf.io/sjc6u/](https://osf.io/sjc6u/)

## Digital Media

**Robert Fontana and Gary Decad: “Moore’s law realities for recording systems and memory storage components: HDD, tape, NAND, and optical”**

[aip.scitation.org/doi/full/10.1063/1.5007621](https://aip.scitation.org/doi/full/10.1063/1.5007621)

**DSHR’s Blog: “Optical media durability”**

[blog.dshr.org/2018/08/optical-media-durability.html](https://blog.dshr.org/2018/08/optical-media-durability.html)

**DSHR’s Blog: “Flash vs Disk – Again”**

[blog.dshr.org/2018/03/flash-vs-disk-again.html](https://blog.dshr.org/2018/03/flash-vs-disk-again.html)

**IARPA: Molecular Information Storage (MIST) Research Program**

[www.iarpa.gov/index.php/research-programs/mist](http://www.iarpa.gov/index.php/research-programs/mist)

**Wired: “The Rise of DNA Data Storage”**

[www.wired.com/story/the-rise-of-dna-data-storage/](http://www.wired.com/story/the-rise-of-dna-data-storage/)

**Luis Ceze and Karin Strauss: “Storing Data in DNA Brings Nature into the Digital Universe”**

<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/storing-data-in-dna-brings-nature-into-the-digital-universe/>

**Group 47, Inc.: “Future Proof Archiving of Motion Pictures with DOTS”**

[vimeo.com/group47/motion-picture-preservation-with-dots](https://vimeo.com/group47/motion-picture-preservation-with-dots)

**Bernard Marr: “What is Quantum computing?”**

[www.forbes.com/sites/bernardmarr/2017/07/04/what-is-quantum-computing-a-super-easy-explanation-for-anyone/#689e50081d3b](http://www.forbes.com/sites/bernardmarr/2017/07/04/what-is-quantum-computing-a-super-easy-explanation-for-anyone/#689e50081d3b)

**Michael Nielsen: “Quantum Computing for Everyone”**

[michaelnielsen.org/blog/quantum-computing-for-everyone/](http://michaelnielsen.org/blog/quantum-computing-for-everyone/)

**US National Institute of Standards and Technology: “Report on Post-Quantum Cryptography”**

<https://csrc.nist.gov/publications/detail/nistir/8105/final>

## Decentralized, Distributed and Peer-to-Peer Storage

**DSHR’s Blog: “The Four Most Expensive Words in the English Language”**

[blog.dshr.org/2018/06/the-four-most-expensive-words-in.html](https://blog.dshr.org/2018/06/the-four-most-expensive-words-in.html)

**DSHR’s Blog: “Why Decentralize?”**

[blog.dshr.org/2017/12/why-decentralize.html](https://blog.dshr.org/2017/12/why-decentralize.html)

**DSHR's Blog: "Is decentralized storage sustainable?"**

[blog.dshr.org/2017/07/is-decentralized-storage-sustainable.html](http://blog.dshr.org/2017/07/is-decentralized-storage-sustainable.html)

**Vitalik Buterin: "The meaning of decentralization"**

[medium.com/@VitalikButerin/the-meaning-of-decentralization-a0c92b76a274](https://medium.com/@VitalikButerin/the-meaning-of-decentralization-a0c92b76a274)

**LOCKSS Program: Tutorial from IEEE Mass Storage Systems & Technologies Workshop 2018**

[storageconference.us/2018/Presentations/LOCKSS-tutorial-1.pdf](http://storageconference.us/2018/Presentations/LOCKSS-tutorial-1.pdf)