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Content Storage

- Content is equal to single copy of a digital object and it's associated derivative(s)
- Preservation Copies (currently)
 - Standard Collections two (2) copies distributed across two (2) datacenters
 - Special Collections two (2) different platforms holding two (2) copies distributed across two (2) datacenters
- Presentation Copies
 - Currently single online copy
 - Near future two (2) copies across (2) datacenters
 - Future multiple copies across datacenters and "cloud" providers



Unique File Count: 410M Total Files

Content Growth – Preservation





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Content Growth – Presentation





Migrations Continue

Migration Migration Migration

Consolidating Preservation Storage

- Combining resource to reduce cost
- ➤ Migrating Data Centers
 - Completed migration of presentation storage to new location and system
 - Preparing to replicate data to new data center (2019)
- Migrating Tape Technology
 - Preparing to migrate IBM TS1140 tape to TS1155 tape (2019)







Looking to add Content Abstraction Layer

Content Abstraction Layer (CAL) would provide:

- Manage the procurement of data from multiple sources
- Manage the preservation of content:
 - File fixity checking
 - File validation / usability
- Manage the automation of content processing
- Manage the movement / orchestration of data across multiple
 - Systems
 - Data centers
 - Cloud providers
 - External entities
- Provide a persistent namespace and access method to data











Thank you

