Rant? Ramble?

How can we agree on some product agnostic repository function fundamentals? June 11th, 2014
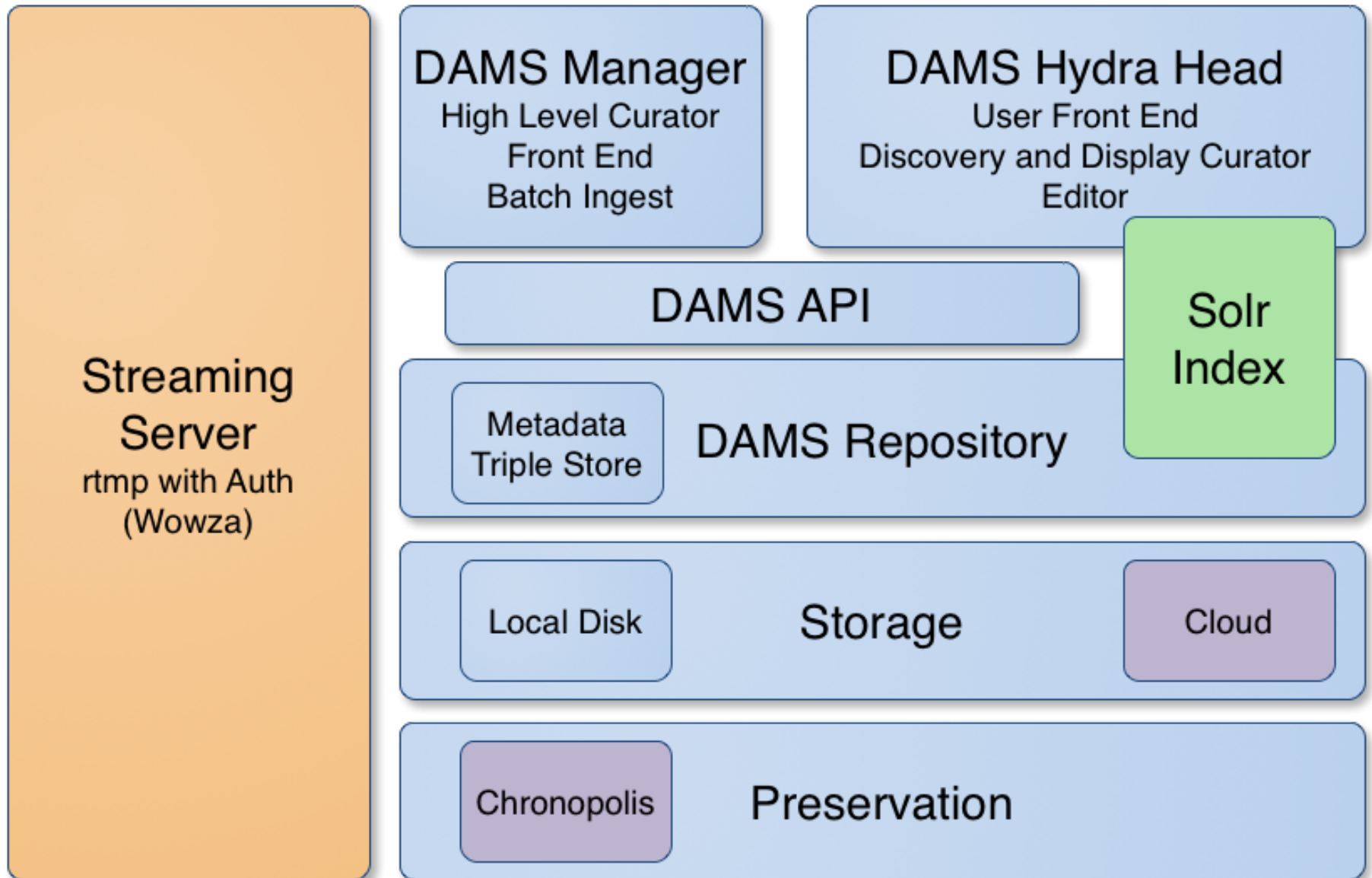
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Pre Rant

- We had a DAMS
  - 10 yrs of custom java code
  - RDF based
  - Super keen AJAX (remember THAT?) front end
- We wanted Hydra
- We weren't ready for Fedora
  - Or it wasn't ready for us?
- Hack Hydra or DAMS?

DAMS Architecture

Streaming Server
rtmp with Auth
(Wowza)

DAMS Manager
High Level Curator
Front End
Batch Ingest

DAMS Hydra Head
User Front End
Discovery and Display Curator
Editor

DAMS API

Solr Index

Metadata Triple Store

DAMS Repository

Local Disk

Storage

Cloud

Chronopolis

Preservation

Fedora REST API for Hydra

Status	Method	REST URI	Description	Use
Working	GET	/describe	Describe repository	Metadata
Not Implemented	GET	/objects	Basic search	Metadata
Working	GET	/objects/**oid**	Object profile	Metadata
Working	POST	/objects/**oid**	Create new object	Metadata
Working	PUT	/objects/**oid**	Update object metadata	Metadata
Working	DELETE	/objects/**oid**	Delete object	Metadata
Working	GET	/objects/**oid**/datastreams	List files	File System
Working	GET	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**	File metadata	Metadata
Working	POST	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**	Create new file	File System
Working	PUT	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**	Update file	File System
Working	DELETE	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**	Delete file	File System
Working	GET	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**/content	Download file	File System
Not Implemented	GET	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**/history	File history	Metadata
Not Implemented	GET	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**/relationships	Relationship metadata	Metadata
Not Implemented	GET	/objects/**oid**/export	Object metadata, with links	Metadata
Not Implemented	GET	/objects/**oid**/objectXML	Object metadata	Metadata
Not Implemented	DELETE	/objects/**oid**/relationships	Delete relationship	Metadata
Not Implemented	POST	/objects/**oid**/relationships/new	Create new relationship	Metadata
Not Implemented	GET	/objects/**oid**/validate	Validate object (checksums?)	File System
Not Implemented	GET	/objects/**oid**/versions	List versions	Metadata
Working	POST	/objects/nextPID	Create new identifier	Metadata

Some Examples

Working	GET	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**	File metadata	Metadata
Working	POST	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**	Create new file	File System
Working	PUT	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**	Update file	File System
Working	DELETE	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**	Delete file	File System
Working	GET	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**/content	Download file	File System
Not Implemented	GET	/objects/**oid**/datastreams/**fid**/history	File history	Metadata

Rant Proper

- Hacking our API was dead easy
  - Mapped metadata calls to the triple store
- Got to leave Hydra as stock
- **Why can't we plug ANYTHING in like this?**
  - Because there are no standards for metadata at the bit level?
    - (And too many at the higher levels…) – different rant
    - Sidecars, bitstreams, triples
  - Because we have different ideas about what an object is?

Ramble

- I pine for resource forks
- FAT32 MUST DIE!
  - Or live forever?
- What will a file system even mean once every researcher has a free terabyte on OneDrive?
  - Dropbox was the gateway drug
- How will we preserve what's "on disk" when we can't even see the disk anymore?
- Promotion from files on disks to library objects