### Enhancing Services to Preserve New Forms of Scholarship

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# Project Goals

Led by NYU Libraries and funded by the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation, the project is a collaboration of libraries, preservation organizations, and university presses with 2 goals:

Goal 1: Given samples of the works the preservation service providers will identify what aspects can be preserved, and how scalable/resource-intensive the service would be.

**Goal 2:** Based on results, and on feedback from publishers and experts in preservation, copyright, and scholarly communications, develop guidelines and best practices that publishers and authors can use to improve preservability of the monographs.



# New Forms of Scholarship

... push the boundaries of how scholars communicate and publishers publish.

... include **dynamic features** that cannot be represented in print such as:

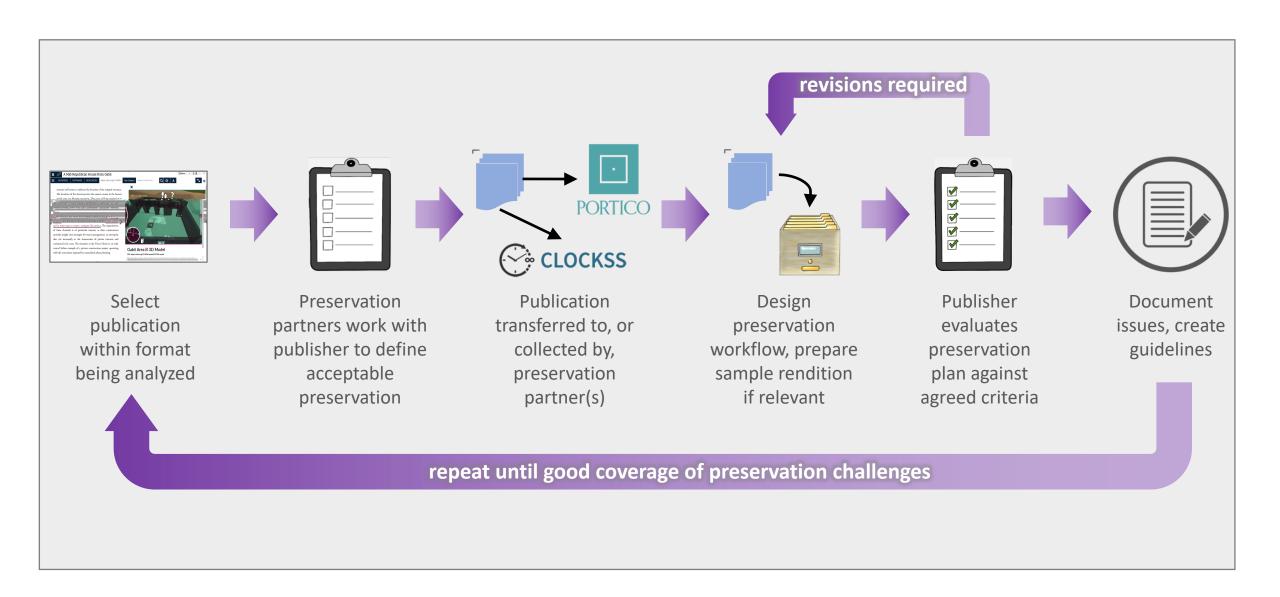
- embedded audio / video / high-resolution images
- non-linear navigation
- data visualizations
- interactive maps
- supporting software, code, data
- annotations and highlights

... are created using flexible formats such as EPUB3 and HTML5. Each depend on web languages.

... are a **preservation challenge**!



### Workflow

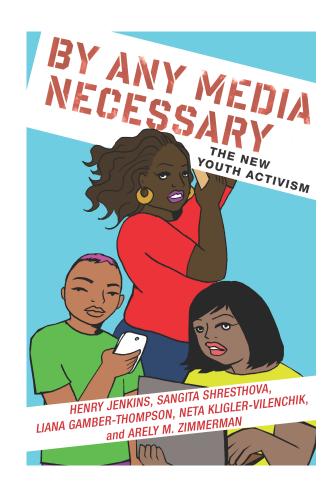


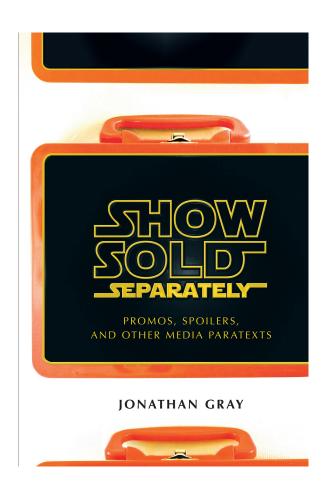
# Open Square

- In-house platform for OA books
- Enhanced Ebooks (in collaboration with NYU Digital Library Technology Services)
- Readium browser-based EPUB reader
- New features and design for a rebuilt Readium reader to come

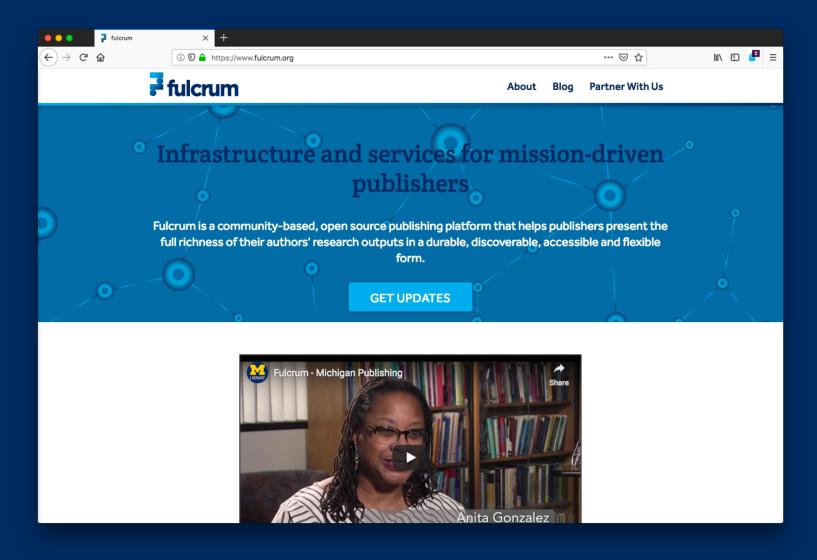


### Enhanced Ebooks from NYU Press









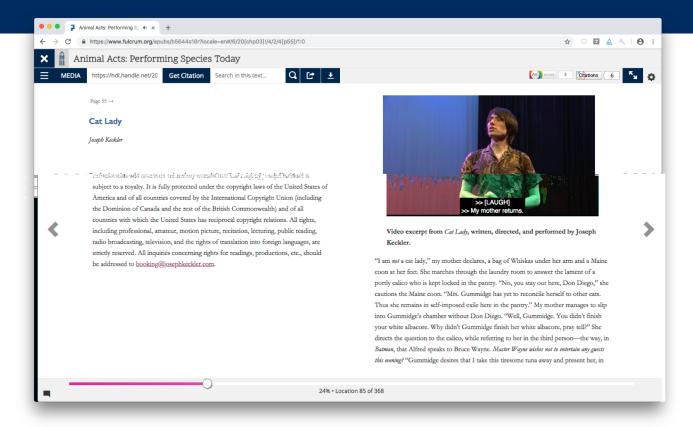
#### Four design principles

- 1. Flexible
- 2. Durable
- 3. Accessible
- 4. Discoverable



Fulcrum is an open source publishing platform for long-form digital scholarship. It responds particularly to the increasing need humanists have to integrate their "data" into their "narratives."

### "Enhanced Ebook"



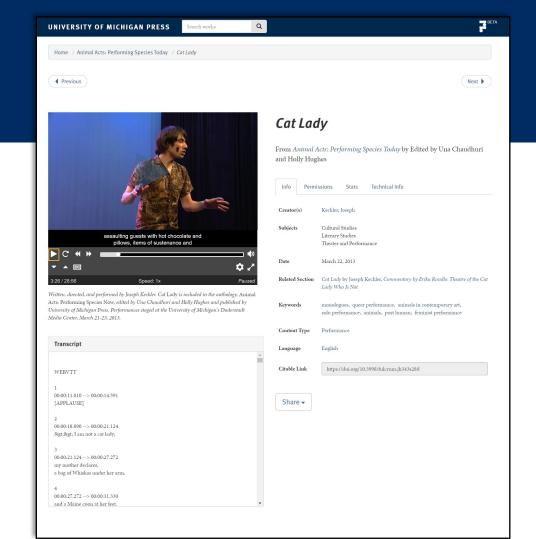
#### Reading layer:

- EPUB3 opened in EPUB.js reader
- Embedded AblePlayer renders video resource

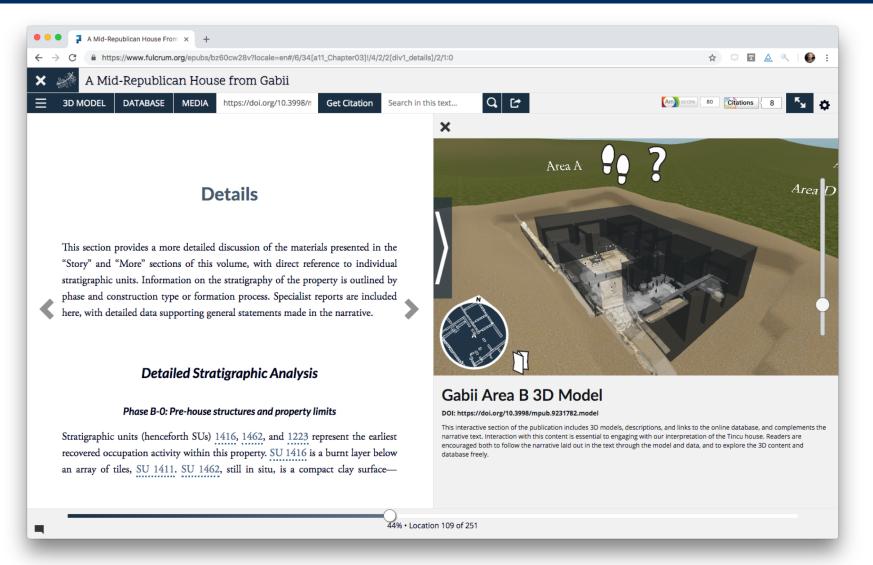
#### Repository layer:

- Resource managed in Hyrax repository
- Comprehensive metadata and accessibility
- Preservation pathways for EPUBs/PDFs (to CLOCKSS) and all resources (to APTrust)





# "Interactive scholarly work"



- EPUB3 in EPUB.js
- Unity 3D Model in WebGL
- Media resources managed in Hyrax
- Link out to SQLite database
- Deep two-way linking

Stewardship commitment from U-M Library.
Components can be preserved, but preserving interactivity between them is challenging.

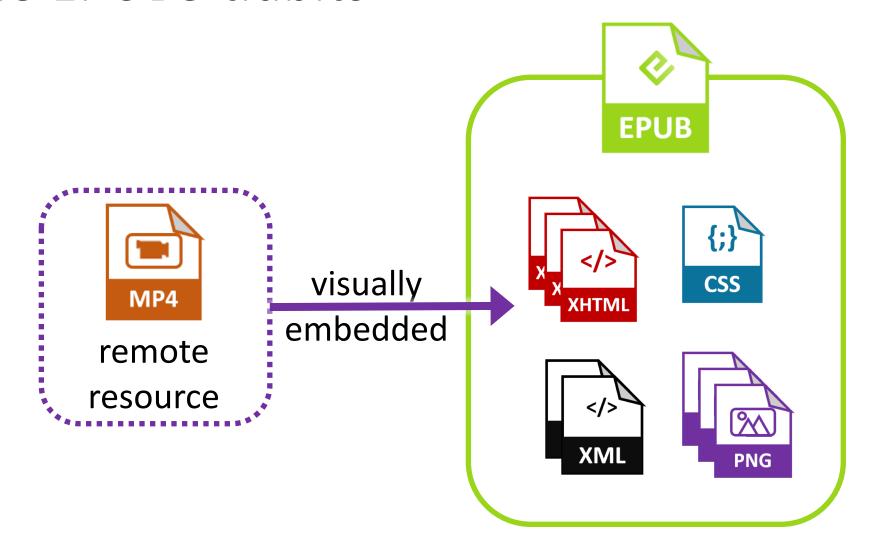


### What is Portico?

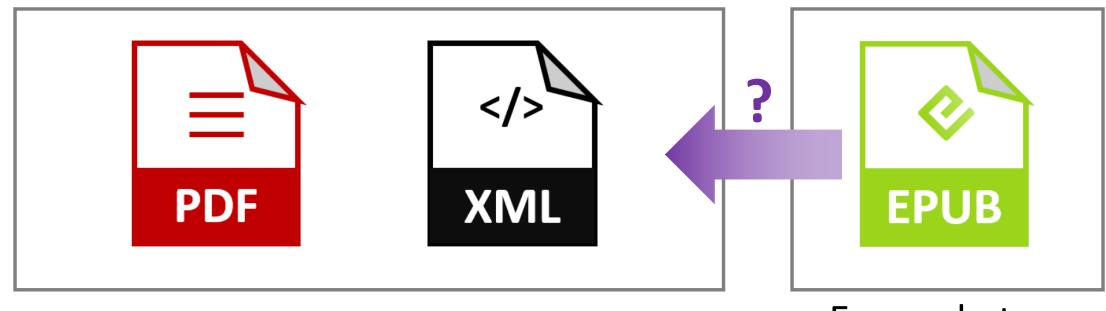
- Community-supported digital preservation archive
- Preserves scholarly publications
- If content no longer hosted online, it becomes available through Portico



### Some EPUB3 tidbits



### E-books in Portico



If valid, keep accessible

Ensure bytes don't change

### New EPUB JHOVE module



### **EPUB** rendition



#### UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN PRESS FULCRUM E-BOOKS

UMP Fulcrum E-Books(01 September 2019)

Animal Acts: Performing Species Today
Una Chaudhuri and Holly Hughes (2014)

ISBN: 9780472029532

DOI: 10.3998/mpub.5633302

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Publisher University of Michigan Press

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# Examples of EPUB challenges

### Challenge 1: Embedded YouTube videos







BY ANY MEDIA NECESSARY

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The video starts with a quote from Haymitch, who advises Katniss and Peeta, contestants in the fictional Hunger Games: "From now on, your job is to be a distraction, so people forget what the real problems are." The video then shows some of the marketing efforts for *Catching Fire*, highlighting the "hot guys" in the cast, only to interrupt the scene with static and a disruptive black-and-white "rebel message." Lauren Bird, the spokesperson for the HPA, dressed in an austere black outfit like that of a rebel leader in the film, proclaims:

Enough with the distraction, the Hunger Games are real.

Check it out: In The Hunger Games a small portion of the population controls a majority of the wealth. People have full time jobs and still go hungry.

Think it's fiction? Think again.

While the audio details the economic disparities in Hunger Games' dystopian country of Panem, the visual shows statistics of real-world economic inequality. For example, the death of Katniss' father in a mining accident is linked to the decline of unionization in the United States; the corrupt justice system in Panem is connected to the fact that African Americans are incarcerated at six times the rate of whites in the U.S. Bird concludes:

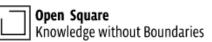
Does the Hunger Games have hot guys in it? Big fucking deal. It also has something else. Us. People who want justice. President Snows of the world, your reign is coming







### Approach 1: Keep the EPUB as-is







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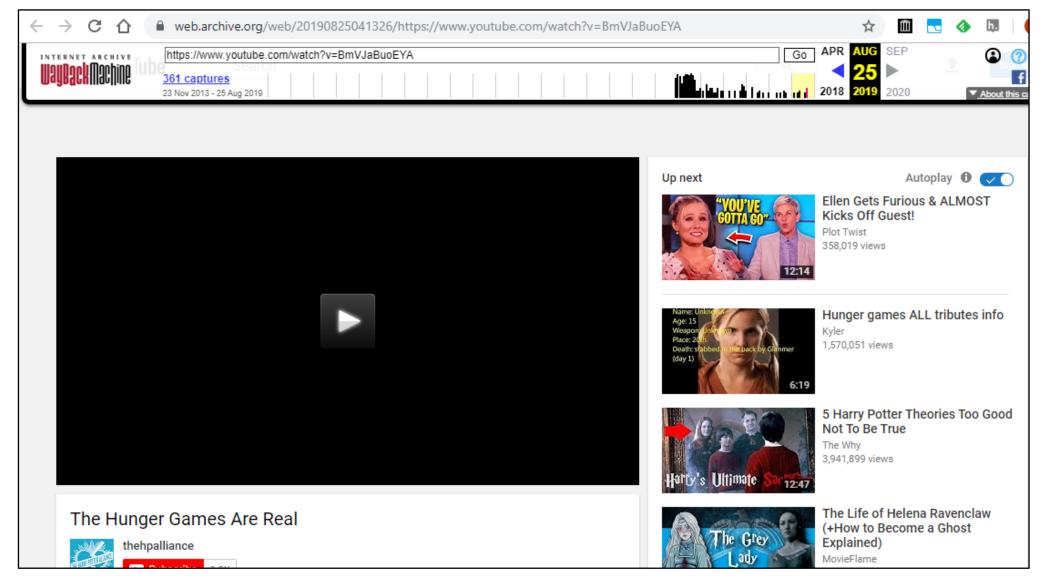




# Approach 2: Automatically save video and link



# Copy of video in the Wayback Machine



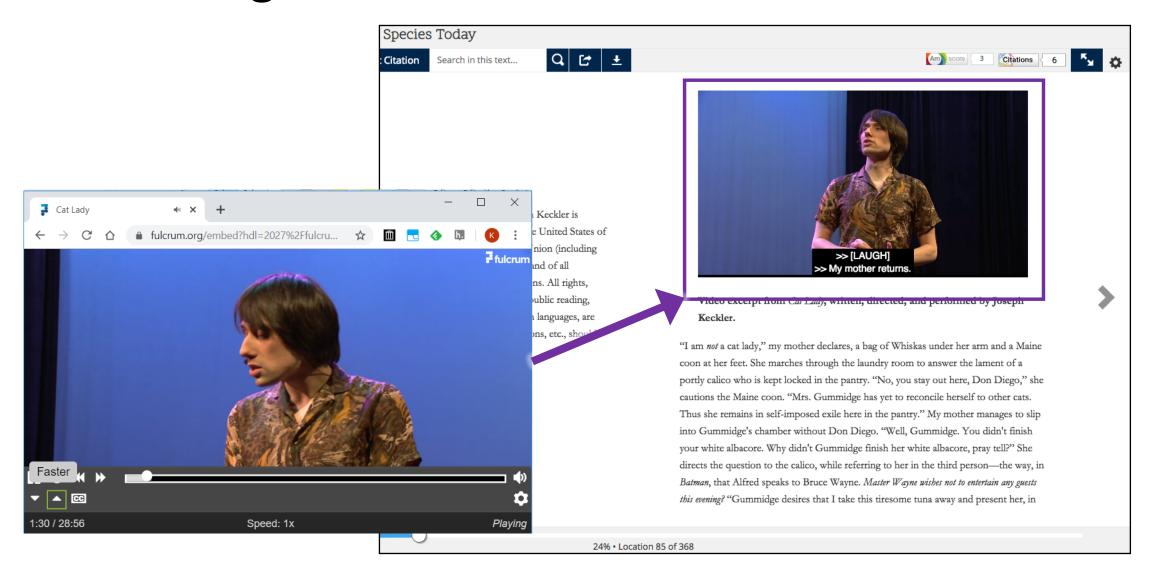
# Problems with *Portico* taking this approach

- Video may already be gone
- Not always successful, ideally there would be manual QC
- Prefer not to modify content we receive

Ideally this would take place during production of the e-book



# Challenge 2: Embedded multimedia viewers



# Challenge 2: Embedded multimedia widgets



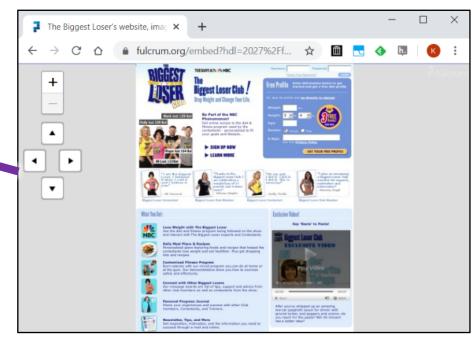
#### The Extra Texts, Bonus Texts, and Ideal Texts of DVDs

If paratexts can brand and recode reality, fictional universes prove an even easier target for branding and recoding. And while fictional films and television shows frequently boast many of the same types of paratexts that makeover shows have, a particularly strong paratext has been the DVD, complete with

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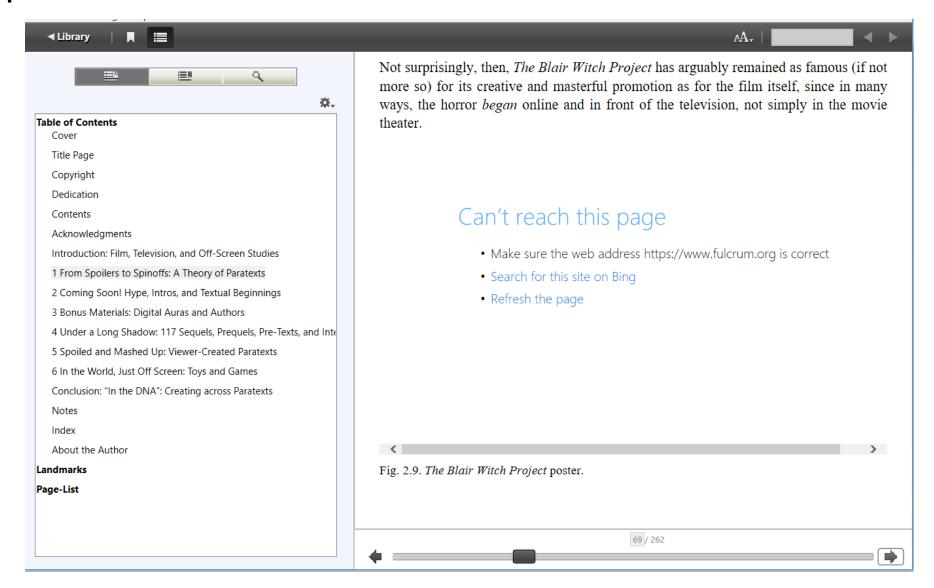


### Fulcrum package received by Portico

- The EPUB3 (with remote multimedia viewers)
- Multimedia files, separate from EPUB
- Metadata, including mapping between file names and fulcrum.org web page displayed in EPUB

File Name	Link	Embed Code	Title	Resource Type
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### Approach 1: Leave EPUB as is

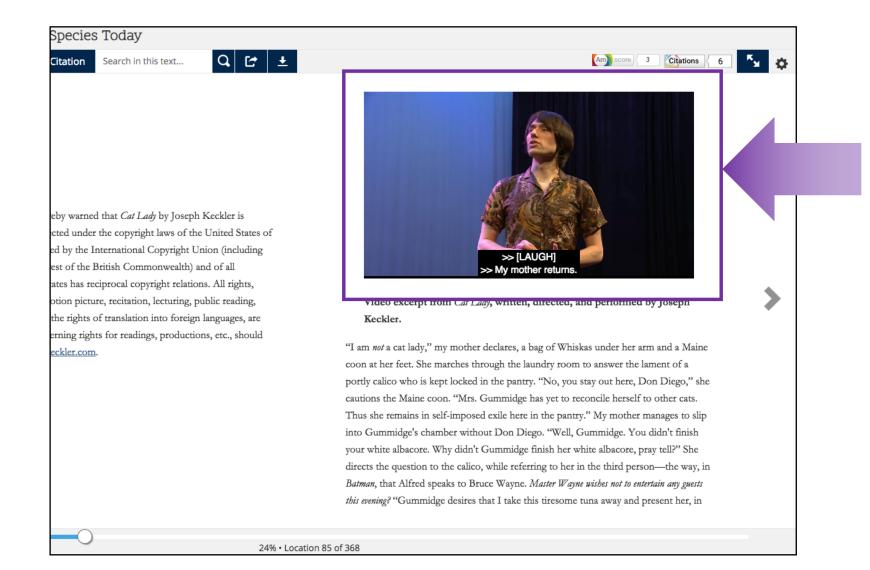


# Leaving as-is would require user assembly



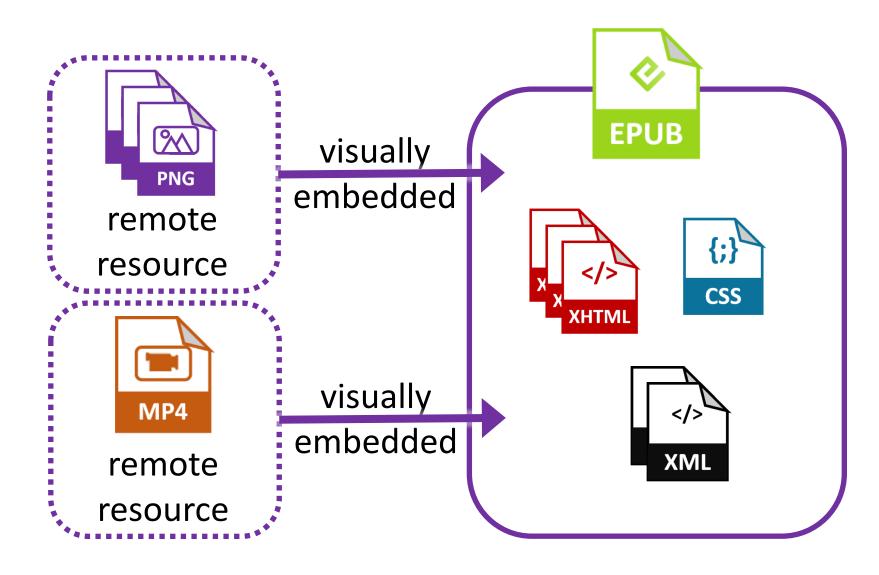
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# Approach 2: Create a large self-contained EPUB

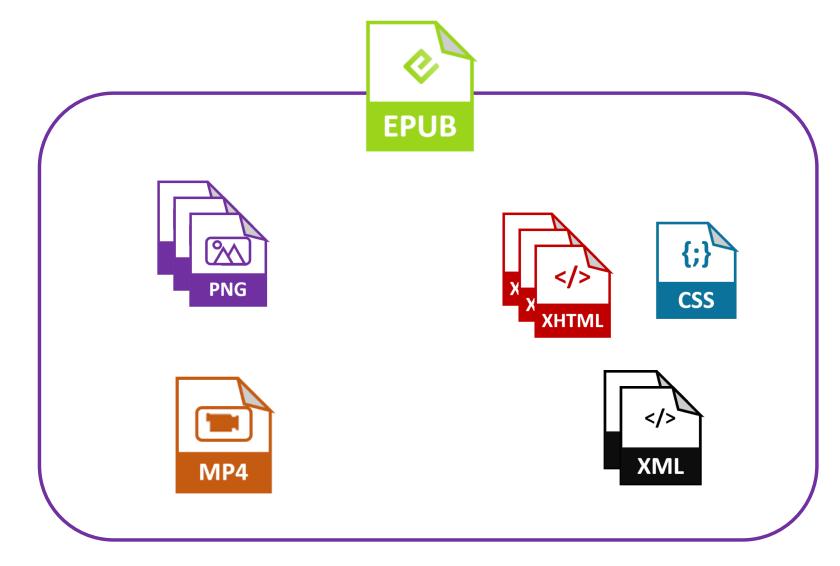


Move remote resources inside EPUB

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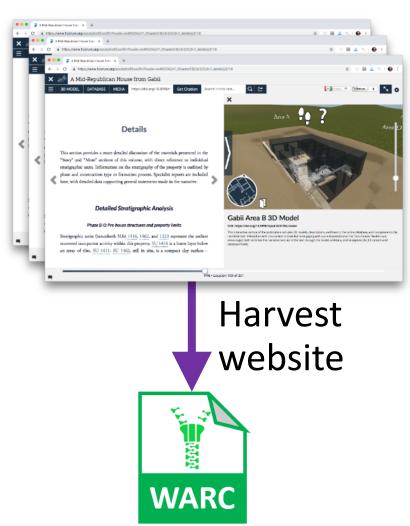


Approach 3: It's behaving like a website, preserve it as a website?

 Would preserve Fulcrum look and feel, including accessibility features

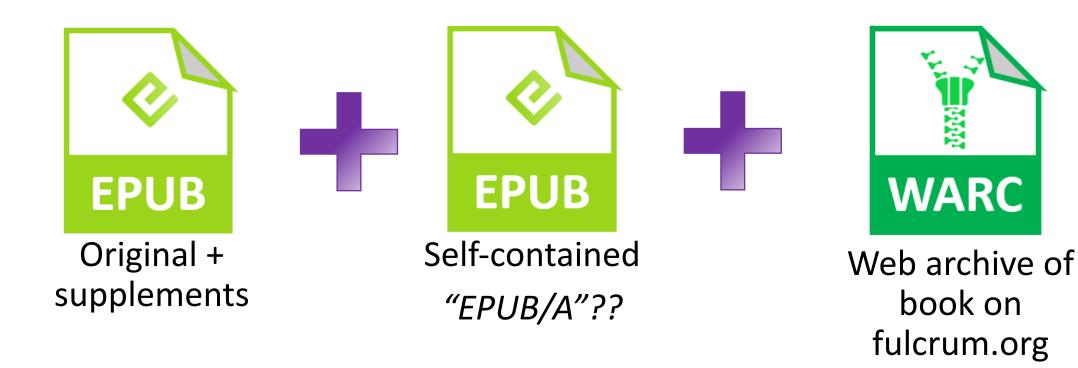
### BUT

- It's not an EPUB any more!
- Playback may be more challenging



(web archive file)

# All 3 approaches combined?



### Introducing Manifold

Manifold is an intuitive, collaborative, open source web platform for scholarly publishing. With iterative texts, powerful annotation tools, rich media support, and robust community dialogue, Manifold seeks to transform scholarly publications into living digital works.

# preservation Format:

#### EPUB3

ePub is a standard and there is interest in building preservation specifications into the future versions

ePub can contain most of/all of the elements of a Manifold project

Groups that are unable to produce ePub would be able to create them with Manifold (and potentially sell them)

This is potentially a mechanism to serve a complete Manifold edition for an offline reading experience

### REUSE Your Metadata!

- Metadata created for Accessibility is useful for Preservation:
  - Long descriptions
  - Keywords
  - alt-text
  - abstracts

# But wAit! There's MOre!

What about projects that do not export neatly into ePub?

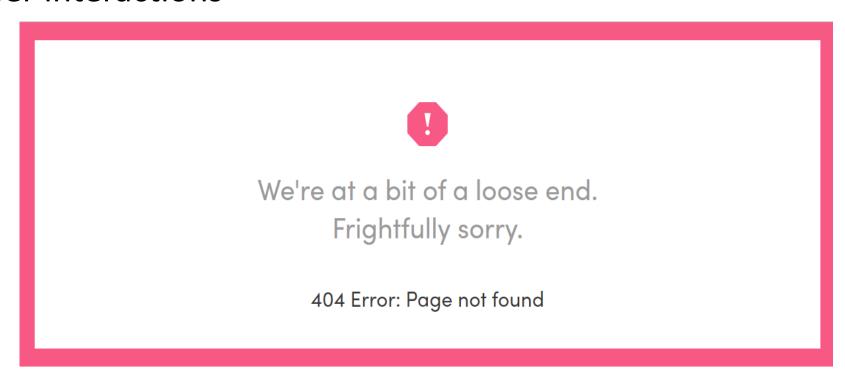
Cut/Copy/Paste: Fragments of History by Whitney Treitten

https://manifold.umn.edu/projects/cut-copy-paste

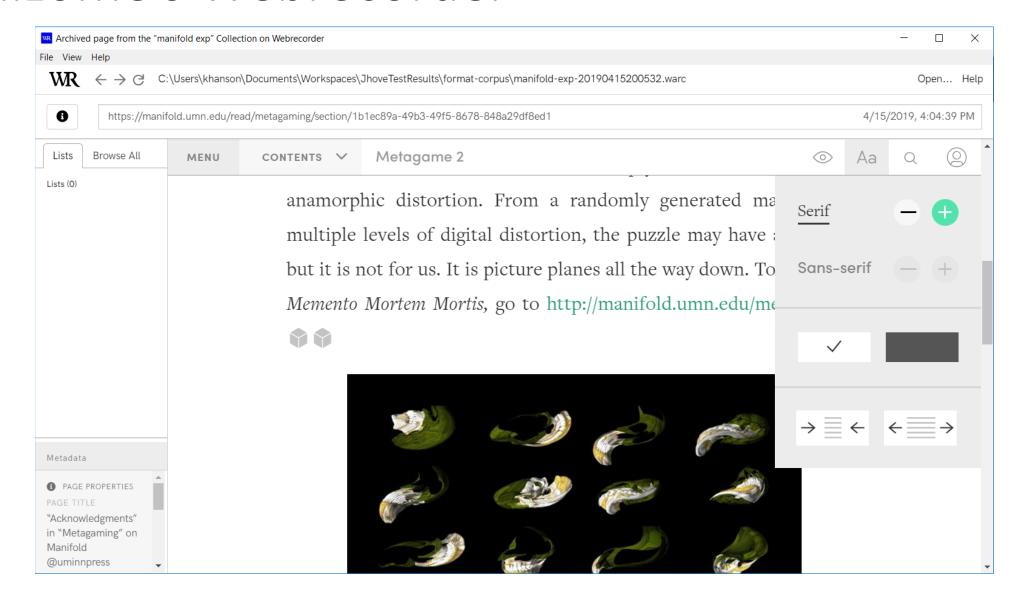
# Website preservation approaches

### Standard website harvester

- Good for simpler websites.
- May struggle with sites that interact frequently with the server based on user interactions

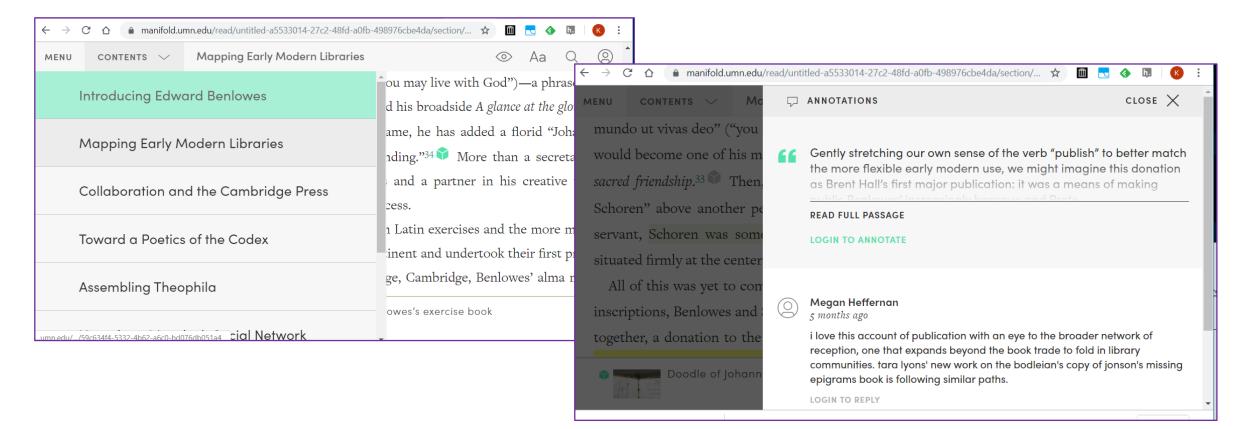


### Rhizome's Webrecorder

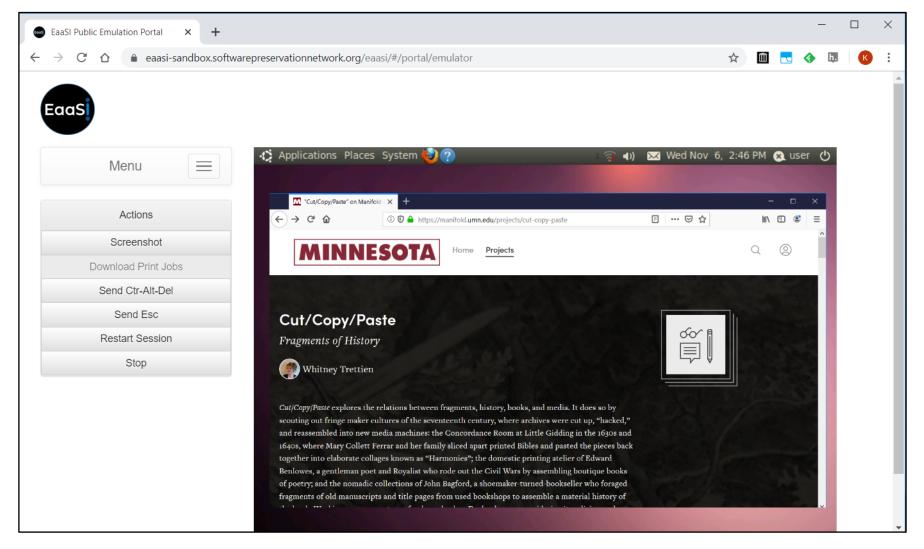


# Something in-between?

- Webrecorder Autopilot (Rhizome)
- Memento Tracer (Los Alamos National Lab)

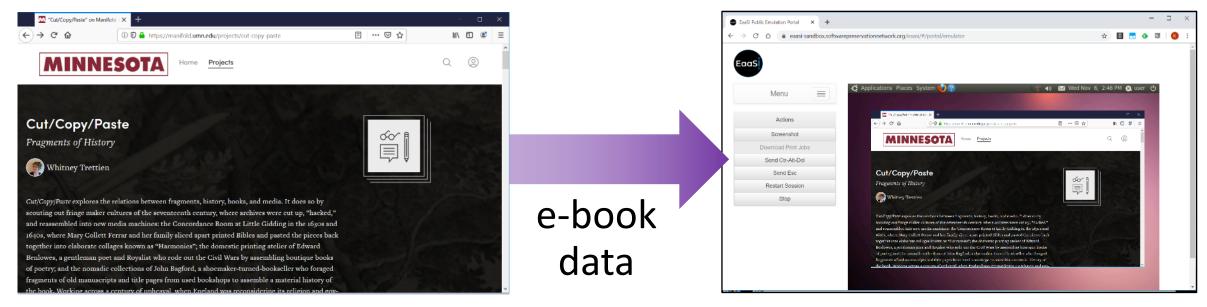


# Emulation as a Service Infrastructure (EaaSI)



https://www.softwarepreservationnetwork.org/eaasi/

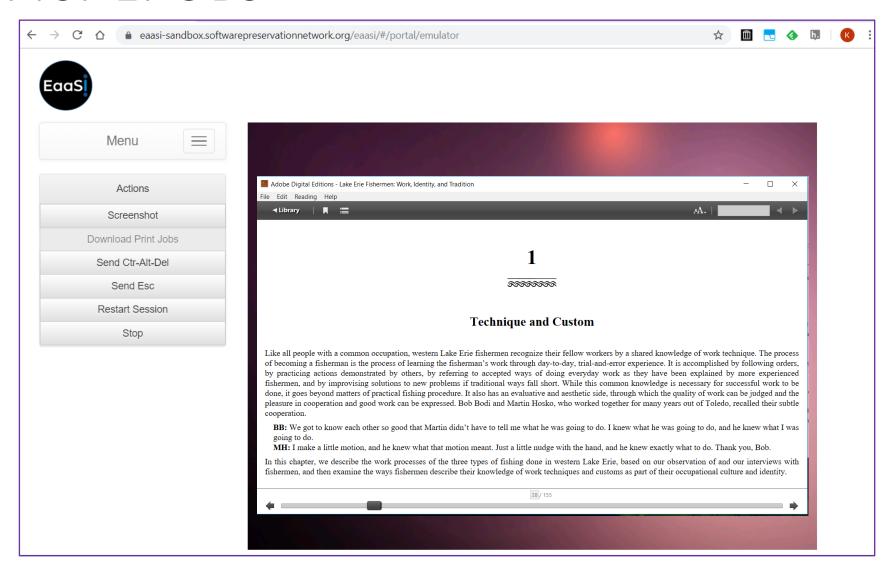
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Emulated Manifold using EaaSI

### EaaSI for EPUBs



# Thank You & Questions