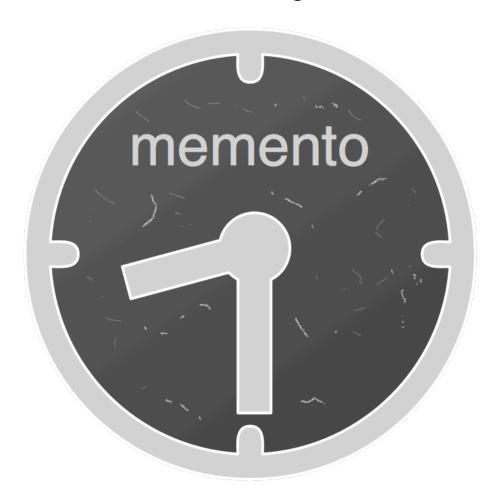
Memento: Versioning Resources to Support HTTP-based Discovery



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Memento wants to make navigating the Web's Past Easy



http://www.mementoweb.org http://groups.google.com/group/memento-dev







Dec 20 2001, 4:51:00 UTC

Archived Resources

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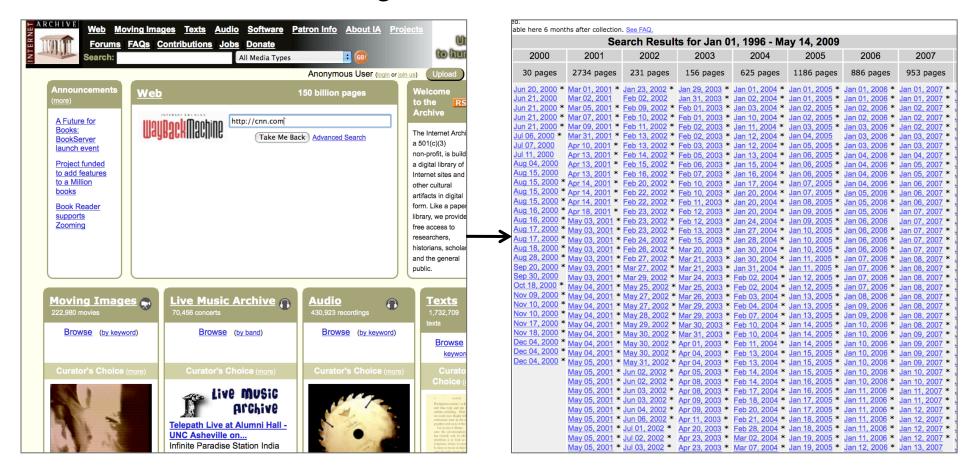








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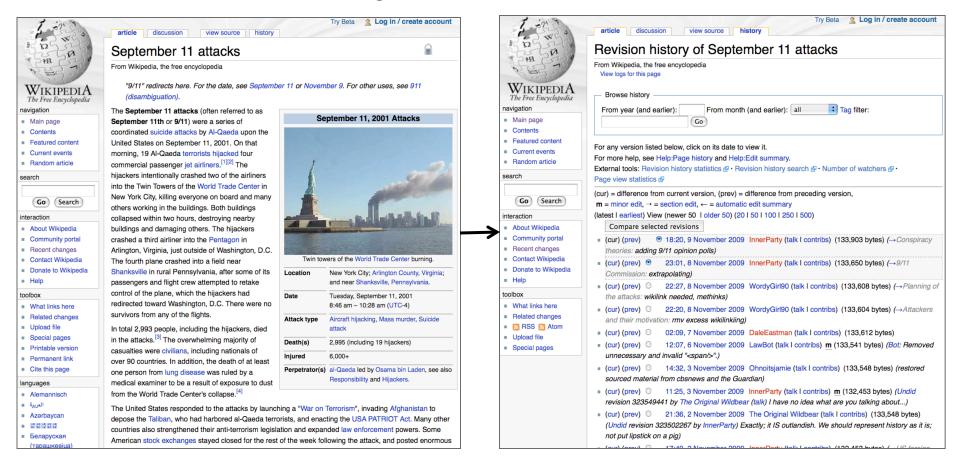
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Finding Archived Resources



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Browse History





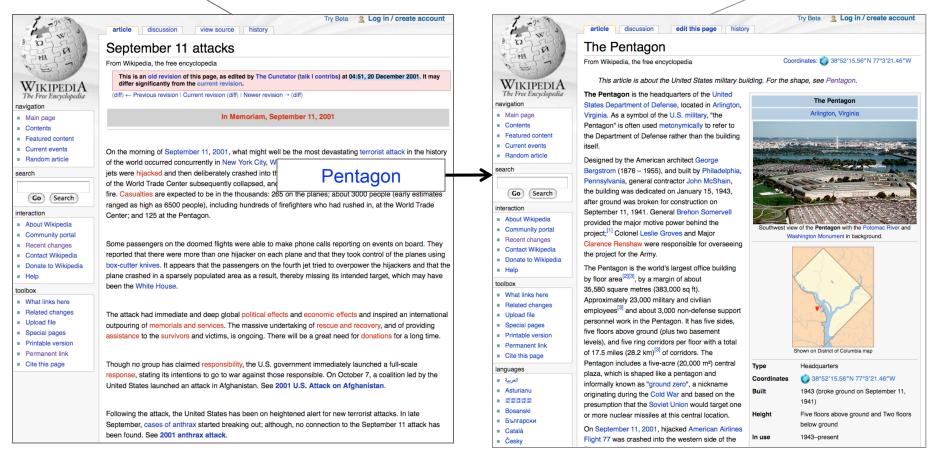






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Navigating Archived Resources



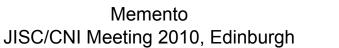
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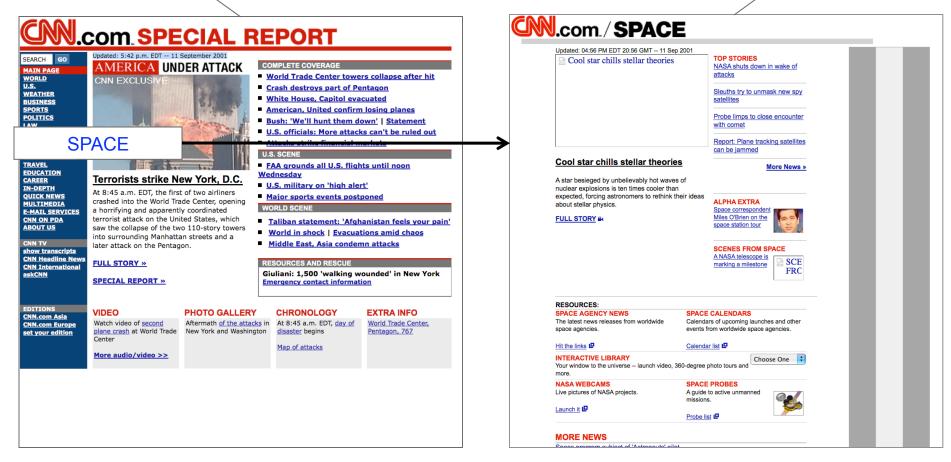








Navigating Archived Resources

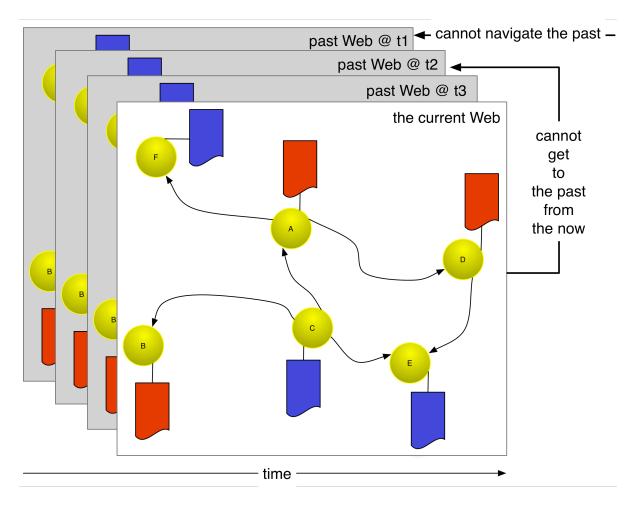


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Current and Past Web are Not Integrated



- Current and Past Web based on same technology.
- But, going from Current to Past Web is a matter of (manual) discovery.
- Memento wants to make going from Current to Past Web a (HTTP) protocol matter.
- Memento wants to integrate the Current And Past Web.







The Memento Approach

HTTP navigation to an archived resource by leveraging:

- The HTTP URI of the original resource;
- HTTP datetime content negotiation.







The Web without a Time Dimension

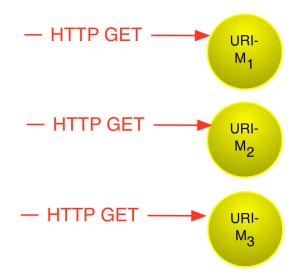


Original resource





The Web without a Time Dimension



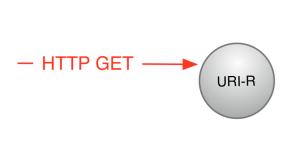
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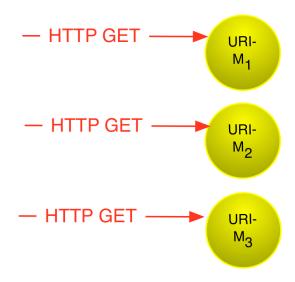






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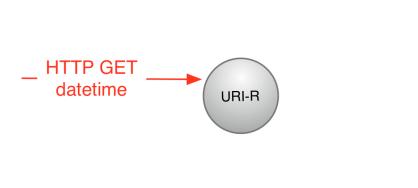
Need to use a different URI to access archived versions of a resource and its current version







The Web with Time Dimension added by Memento



URI-M2
URI-M2

Original resource

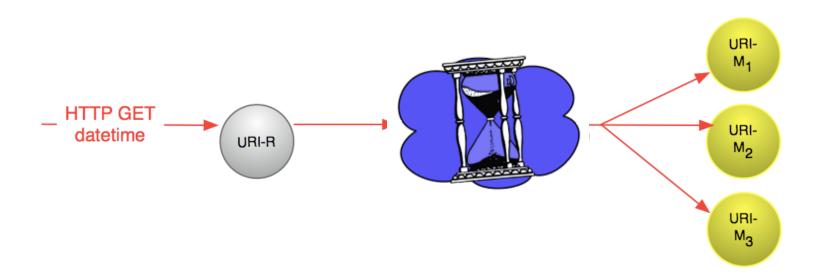
Archived resources

In Memento: use URI of the current version to access archived versions, but qualify it with datetime





The Web with Time Dimension added by Memento



Original resource

Archived resources

... and magically arrive at an archived version





Content Negotiation in the datetime dimension

- Many systems support content negotiation for media type:
 - Your client by default asks for HTML and gets HTML;
 - But it could get PDF via the same URI.
- Memento proposes a new dimension for content negotiation time:
 - Your client by default asks for the current time, and gets it
 - But it could get an older version via the same URI
- Can be accomplished with two new HTTP headers:
 - Request header: Accept-Datetime
 - Conveys datetime of content requested by client
 - Response header: Content-Datetime
 - Conveys datetime of content returned by server







original resource







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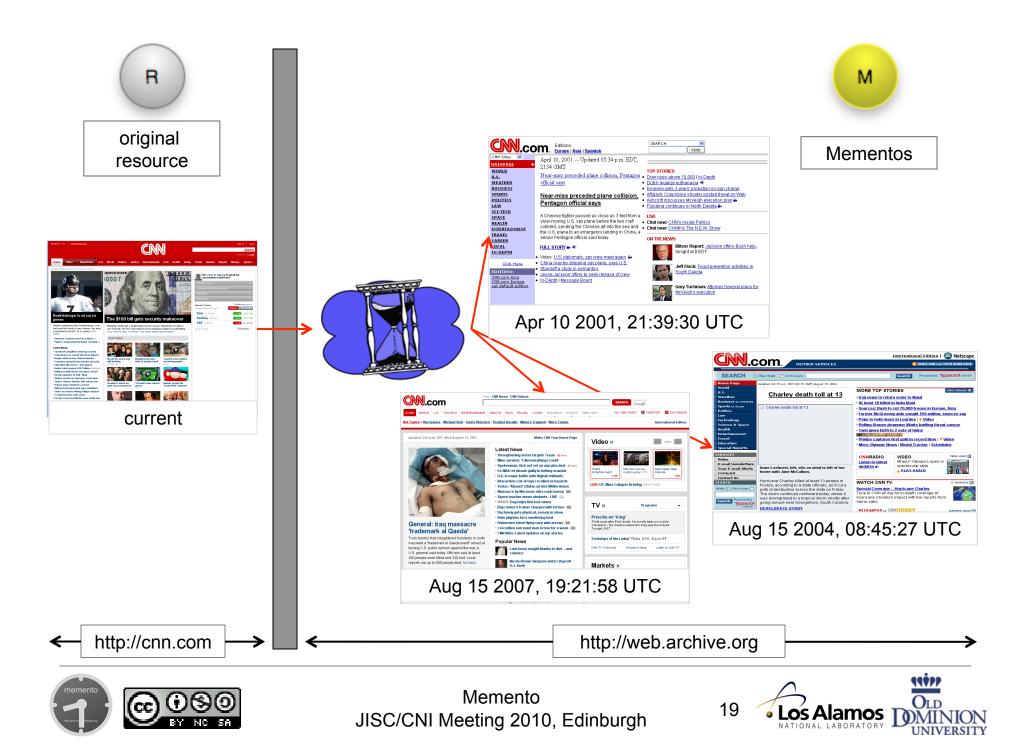


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Memento
JISC/CNI Meeting 2010, Edinburgh









original resource





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TimeGate



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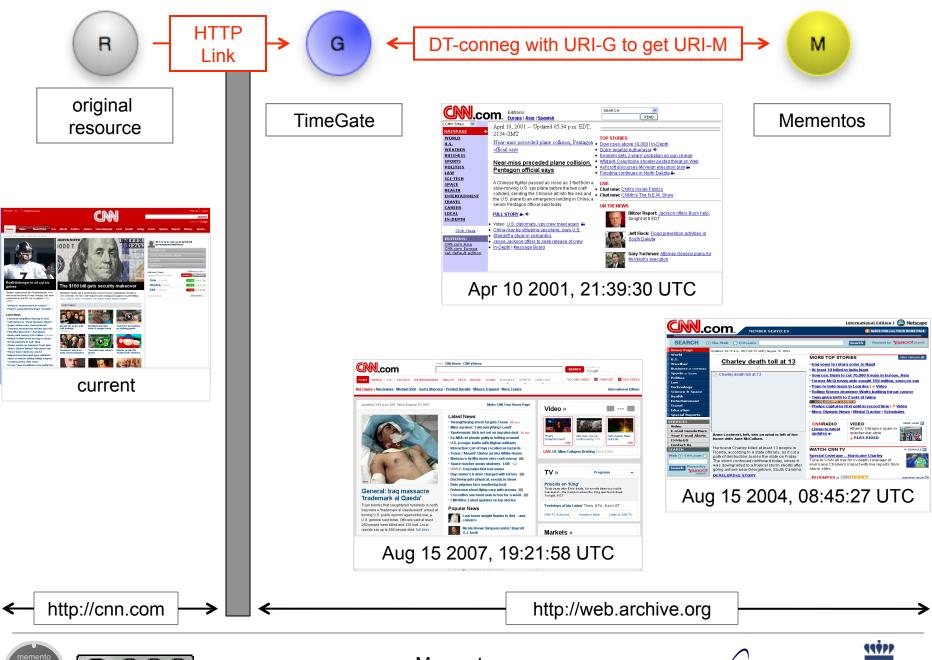
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TimeGate



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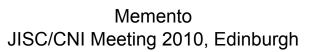
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variant resources

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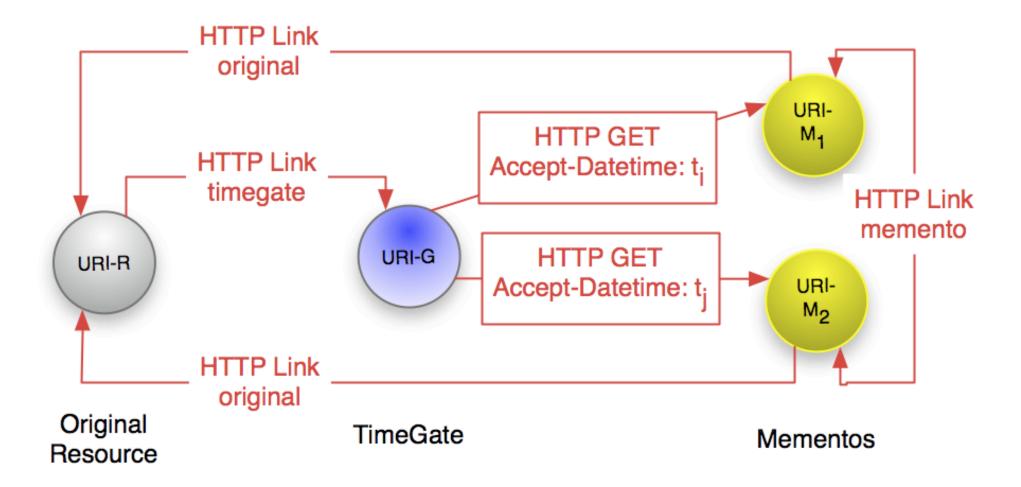








The Memento Framework









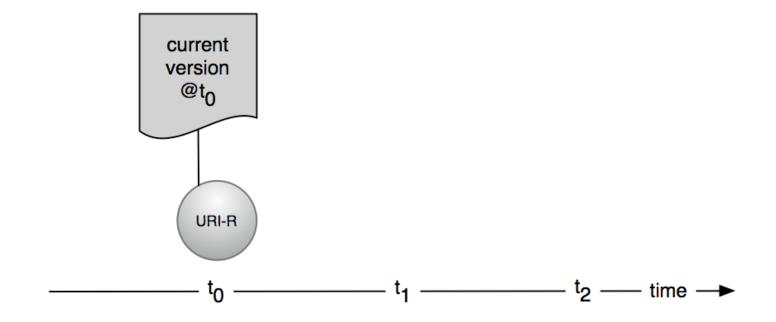
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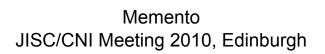






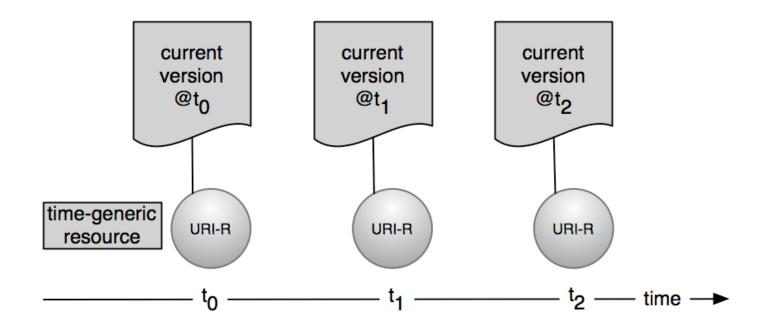








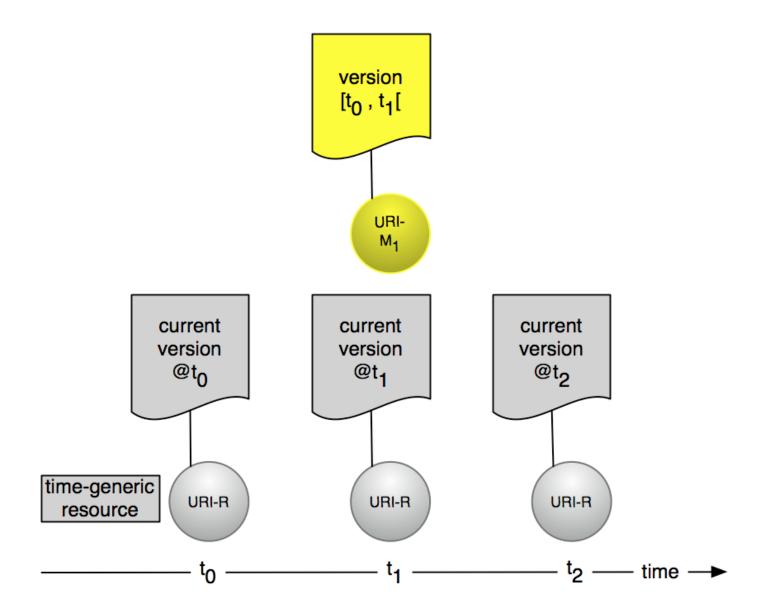








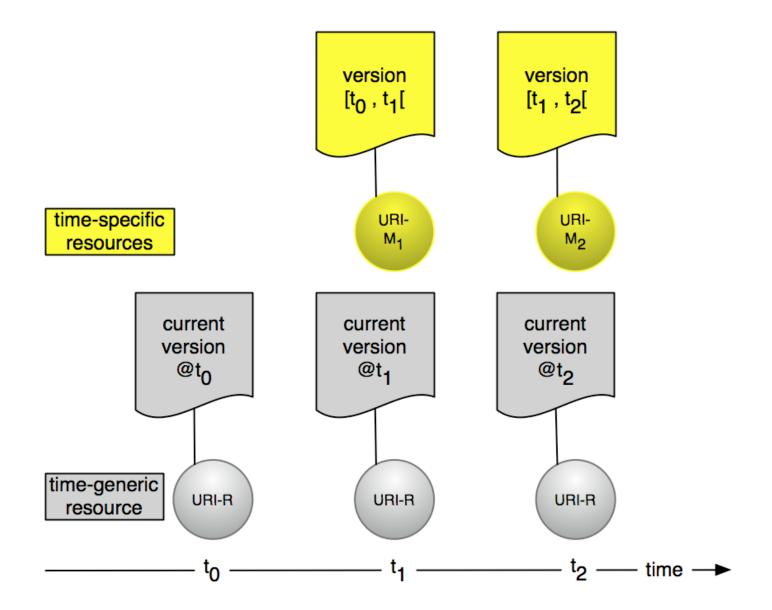






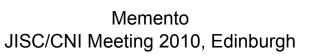






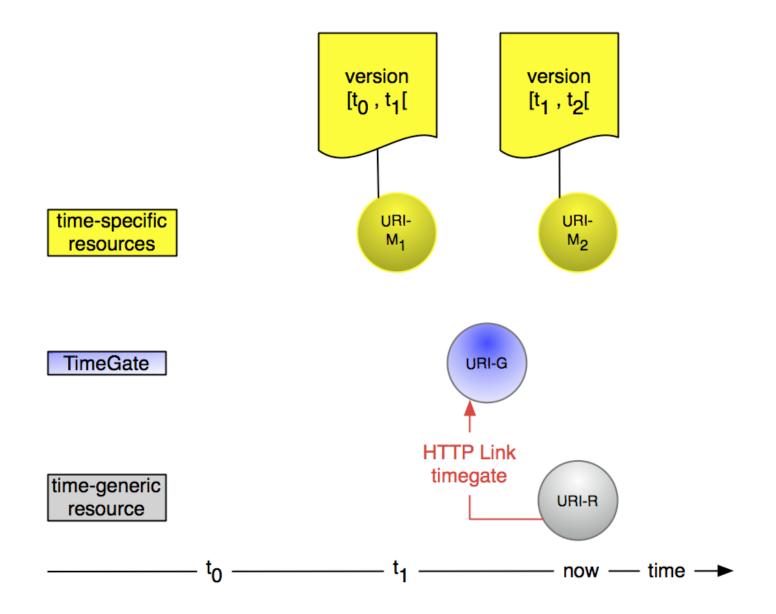








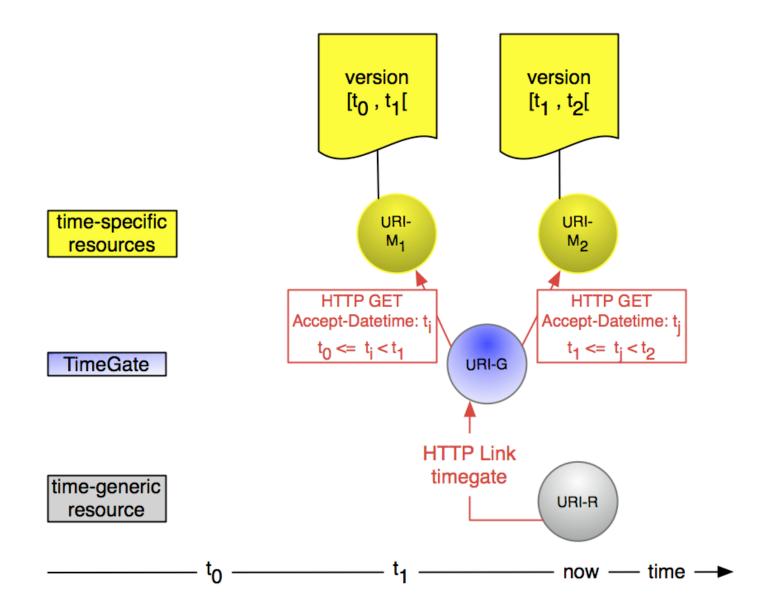






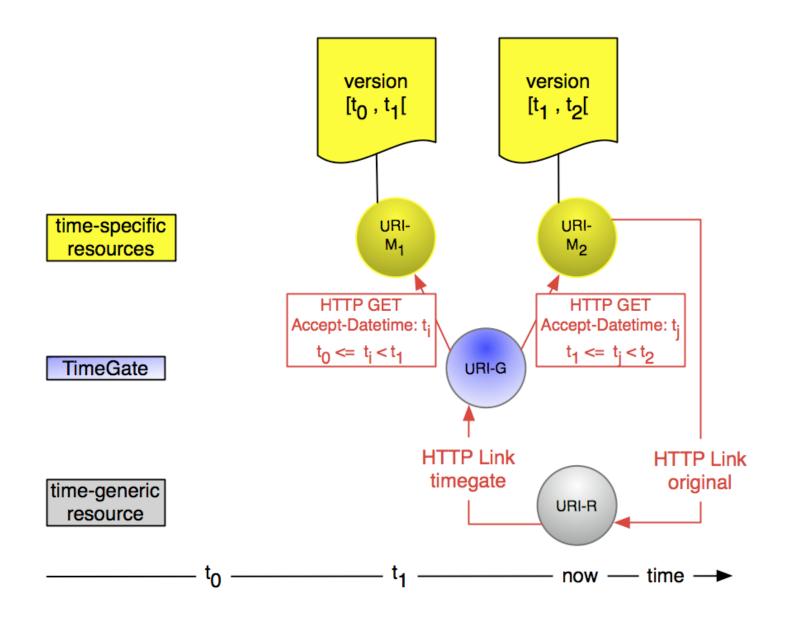








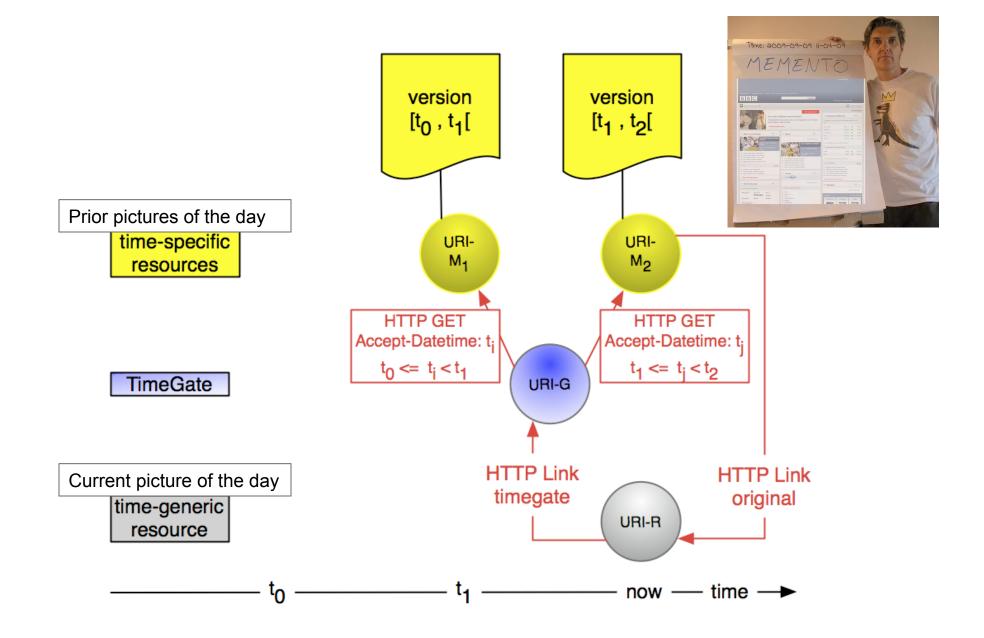
















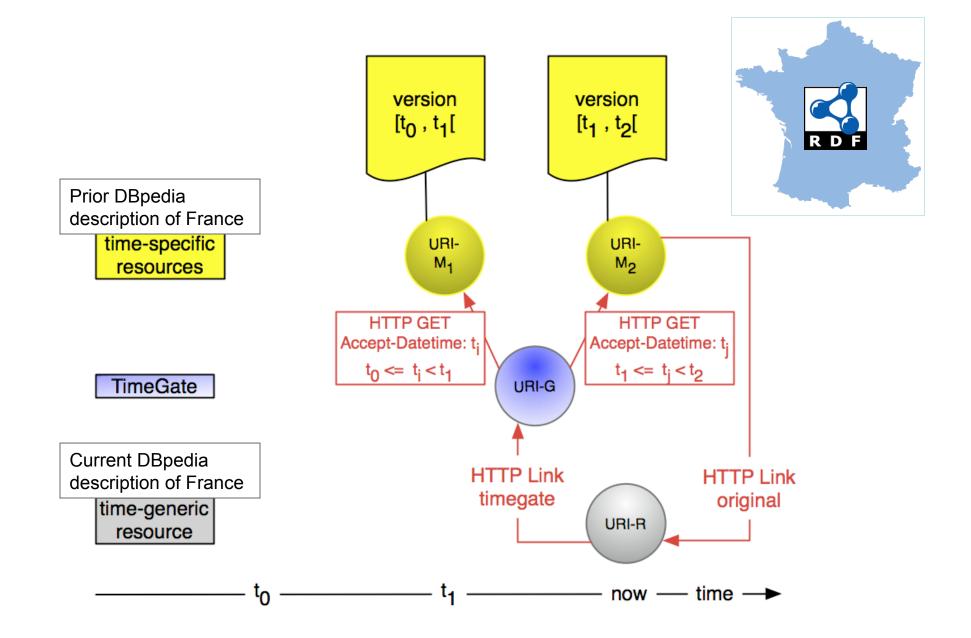
Time Travel across Versions of a Picture of the Day



Data collected through HTTP Navigation









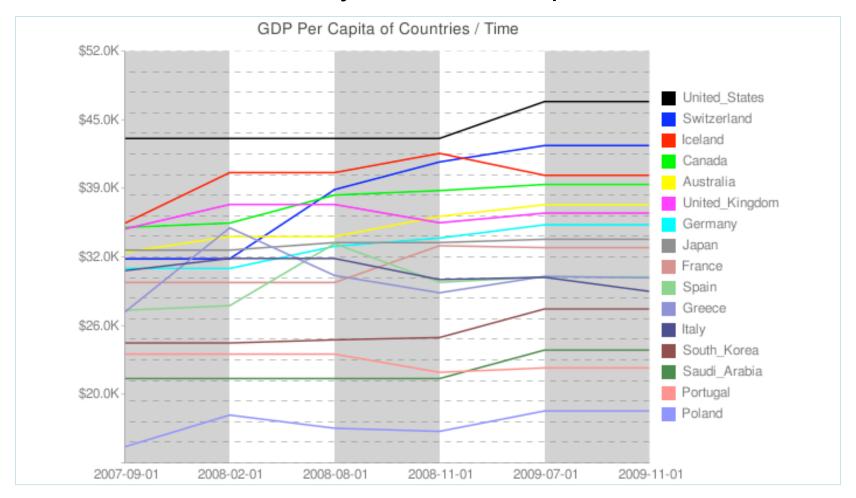








Time-Series Analysis across DBpedia Versions



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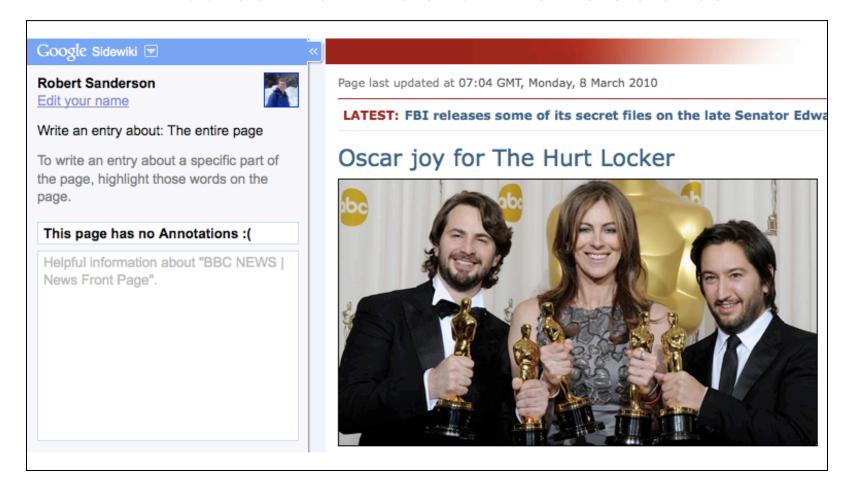
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Web-Centric Annotation: No Persistence



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Web-Centric Annotation: Desired Persistence

Paul Murray - Mar 8, 2010

Lead story this morning.

With a magnitude six
earthquake, attacks around
the word killing hundreds and a
domestic civil servants strike, I find it
very odd that the BBC website should
have chosen to lead with "Oscar triumph
for The Hurt Locker".

In my opinion entertainment awards barely scrape the definition of news let alone trump the many real stories available today. BBC Radio 2 ran the story at the very end of its bulletin.

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Oscar joy for The Hurt Locker







OAC: Open Annotation Collaboration

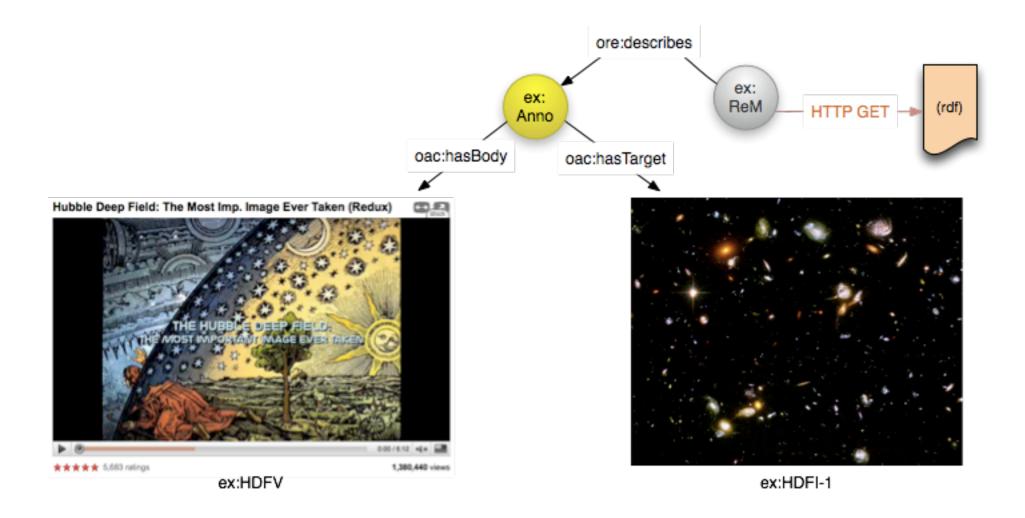
- Focus: Annotation interoperability to enable sharing of annotations across the boundary of collections, clients.
- Foundation: Architecture of the World Wide Web
- Framework: Linked Data Guidelines
- Funding: Mellon Foundation for 18 months







OAC Model: Basics









OAC: Dealing with Web Time

- As regular web resources, Body and Target of an Annotation have representations that can change over time.
- Body and Target can change independently of each other.
- If an Annotation involves resources as they existed at a particular point in time, this needs to be recorded.
- The OAC model provides hooks for doing so:
 - Timeless Annotations;
 - Uniform Time Annotations;
 - Varied Time Annotations.

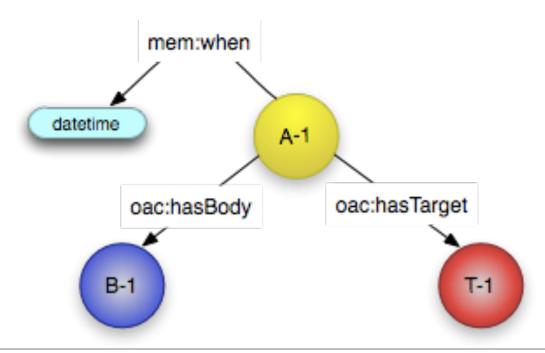






OAC: Uniform Time Annotations

- The Annotation is not always applicable, but pertains to the state of the Body and Target at a single moment in time.
- Add mem: when property to the Annotation.



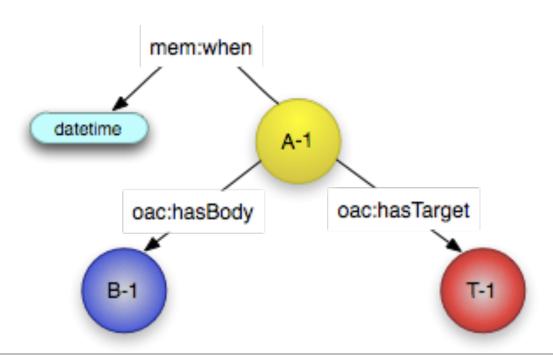






Memento + OAC: Persistent Annotations

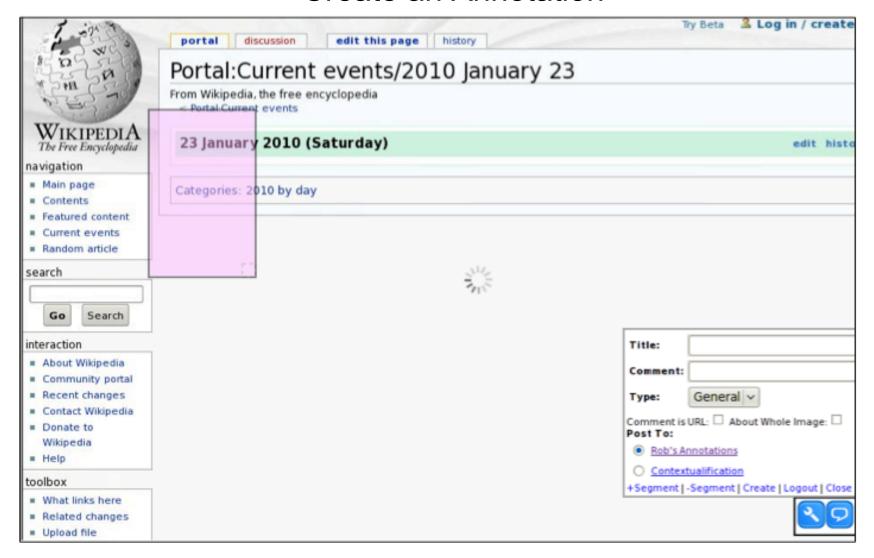
• In order to reconstruct the Annotation as intended: Use Memento to obtain an archived representation of B-1 and T-1 as they existed at the mem: when datetime.







Create an Annotation

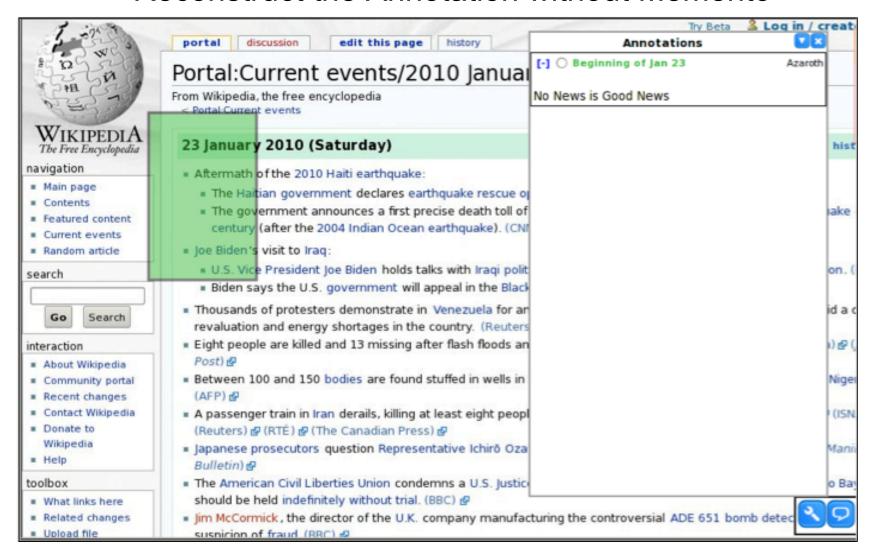








Reconstruct the Annotation without Memento



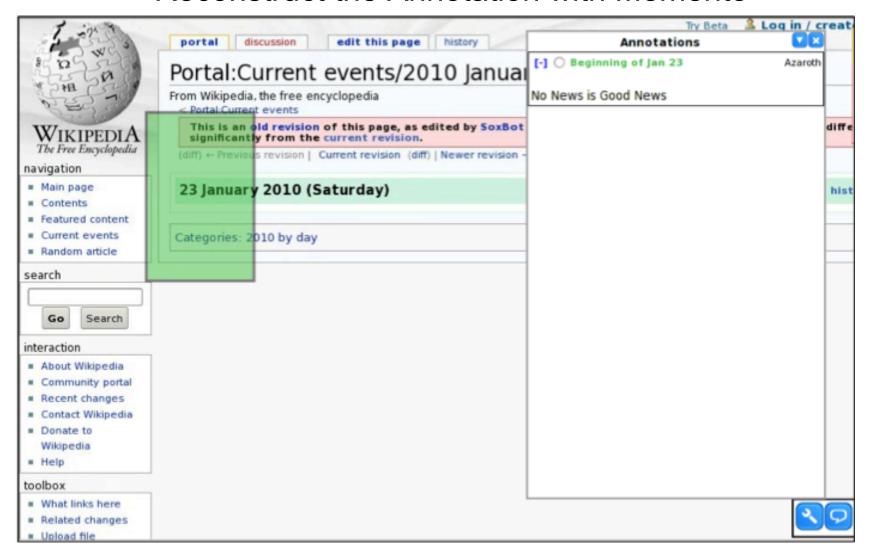








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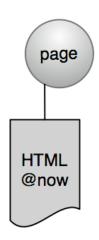






The Value of the URI for Discovery

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URI as access point to page

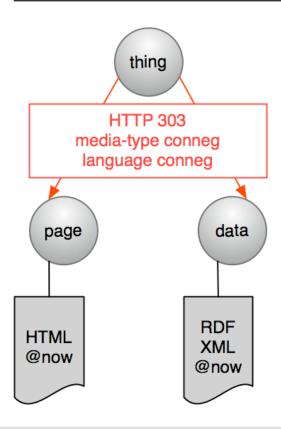






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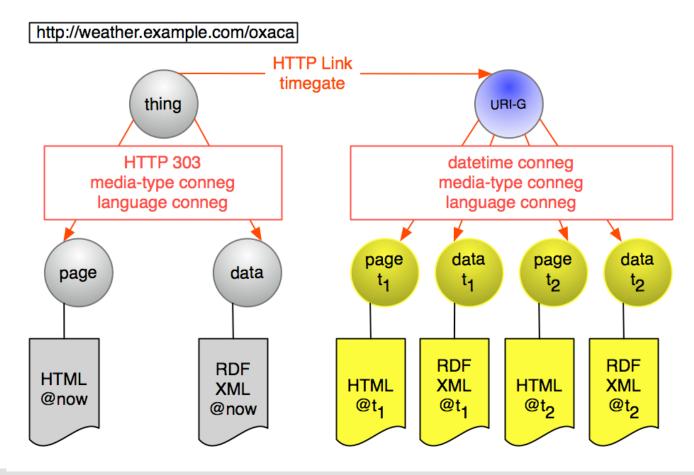


Increased value: URI as access point to page and data





The Value of the URI for Discovery



Increased value: URI as access point to current & historical page and data





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