

知識基盤としてのデジタルライブラリーの将来 The digital library as the future knowledge infrastructure

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What has changed what in Harvard?

- Blake: Head of Services for Academic Programs, Widener Library => Physical space to digital space
- Mary Lee Kennedy appointed this summer senior associate provost for the Harvard Library =>
- Helen Shenton: executive director appointed last year, coming from British Library
- Comprehensive restructuring probably led by librarians from law school and business school
 - Management
 - Service for faculty and students
 - Is library a place? If yes, a place for what?
 - What is the service for faculty, and for their research?
- Formerly, a good collection was enough but in the digital world, what?
- This is what is going on in one of the most authentic research library in the world in this digital era

Is a digital library possible?

- Assume academic libraries don't have to "own" or "preserve" collections or materials, as they are provided on line and organized in their own
- Assume academic libraries don't have to provide service for patrons as they can educate themselves
- Then an academic digital library is possible but not necessary, and
- There need not be a second academic digital library if one is possible

The digital library is the future knowledge infrastructure

- Or vice versa, ie they are the same
- Consistent with the idea of "cloud computing" (but cynically show long?)
- What "former" librarians are expected to do
 - Provision of research infrastructure as part of the one and only world wide knowledge infrastructure
 - Licensing just in time in place of "collection"
 - Publishing in the sense of public relations
 - Branding by way of open access repositories
 - Strategic copyright management