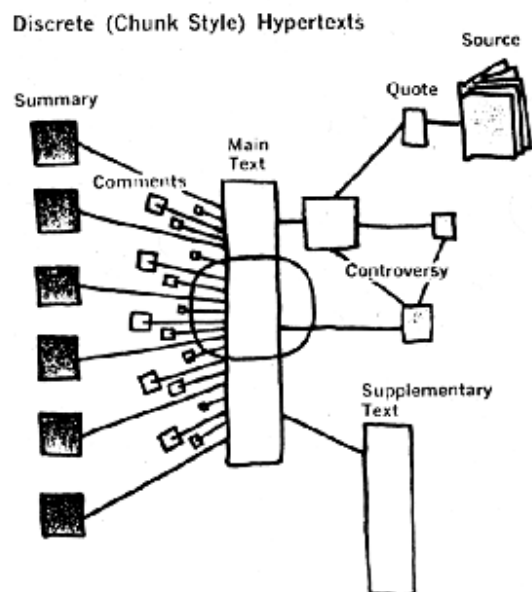


Decentralized Internet Archive

The Decentralized Internet Archive is a site-specific installation designed to exhibit the technical and creative output from the 2018 Decentralized Web Summit, while showcasing our ongoing collaboration with Protocol Labs to move the world's knowledge onto the decentralized web.

The Decentralized Internet Archive installation act both as the hub for all documentation and digitization efforts at the conference and as an improvisational laboratory integrated decentralized tool creation.

By digitizing structured materials produced during workshops and breakout sessions, the Decentralized Internet Archive will invite visitors into the archiving process as collaborators, while simultaneously addressing the most consistent request from attendees in previous years: to make summit documentation more visible and accessible.



The Decentralized Internet Archive will be located in the “Ore Mill” at the San Francisco mint, occupied by the original milling device used to recover gold deposits from raw minerals. The installation setup will extend this visual metaphor with a TT-scribe digitizer, accompanied by a digitization specialist who will encourage visitors to sift through collected writings, diagrams, and shared research materials. After digitization, materials will be assembled into a evolving library and interactive display representing the summit’s networked production.



Once documents are digitized and uploaded to the Internet Archive’s IPFS instance, attendees will also be able to cross-reference materials, together creating a connection meta-layer that completes the feedback loop between knowledge production and documentation.

The Decentralized Internet Archive will use IPFS to form the backbone of a living archive and hub for decentralized protocol integration that envisions and the creation of a Decentralized Internet Archive that’s open and accessible by inviting DWeb summit attendees to participate in that collaborative process.

The Decentralized Internet Archive will be supported by the Internet Archive’s Open Library Team as well as the Cybernetics Library, an artist research collective that facilitates unexpected connections between art, technology, and society.