

Building an archive for the future? Is it possible? And how can it be done?

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Sound Archives Swedish Broadcast Resources

- ▶ Record Library > 500 000 records
 - 78:s – vinyl - cd
- ▶ Radio Archive >215 000 programs
 - Open reel analogue tapes, dat, cd
- ▶ TV – another part of the Public Service Group
- ▶ Customers: Public Service

Step One

► Small Pre Studies

- Late 2000
200 tapes were digitized
 - Working group 2,5 plus project leader worked for 3 months
 - Result – buying new equipment (Quadriga)
- 2001-2002
1000 wax cylinders were digitized
A storage for tapes was purchased



Step Two

- ▶ 2002 Ginnungagap
- ▶ Directives set up by the steering group
 - ▶ Managers from different levels, IT competence
 - ▶ Time map - meetings
- ▶ Working group
 - ▶ One project leader – working full time
 - ▶ 4 people with competence from the archives working 25%-50% during the pre study, additional IT competence came in later

Step Two cont.

► Conclusions

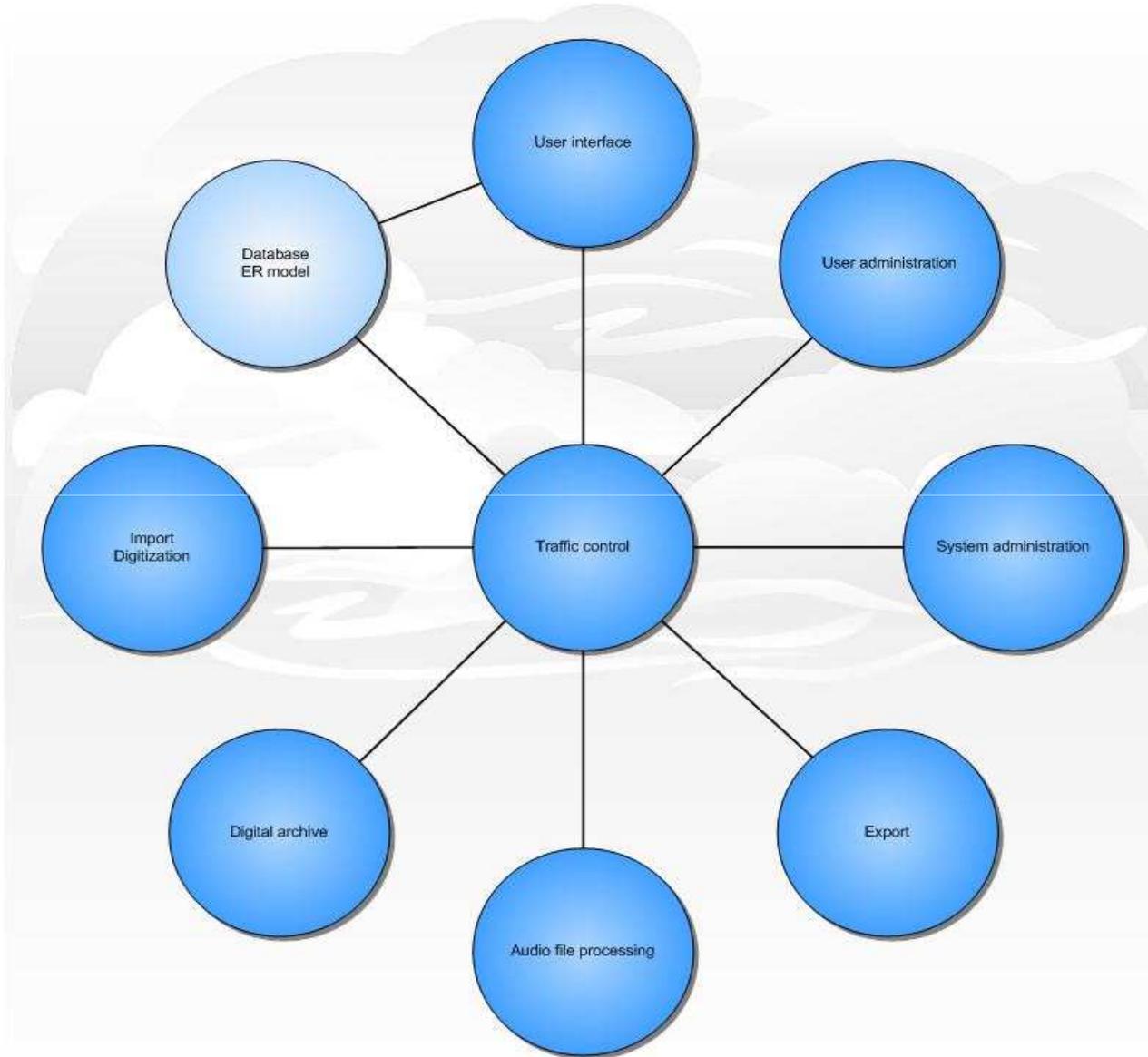
- Report – 3 alternatives:
 - Do almost nothing
 - Do everything
 - Be smart – do something
 - Start migrate DAT tapes
 - Analogue tapes on demand
 - New CDs as they arrive
 - Old CDs when staff is available

Step Three

- ▶ 2003 Tests and pilot projects
 - On demand digitization of tapes for web radio channel SR Minnen
 - Test of digital workflow for new pop music, including migrating parts of existing database.

Step Four

- ▶ March 2004 – June 2005
- ▶ Implementation project group – AGDA
 - Work group for Implementation of a Digital Archive



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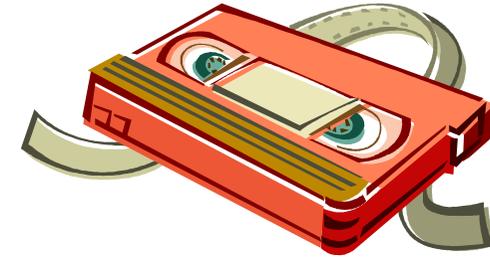
Step Five

- ▶ Further development in production
 - And then it all...



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Why?

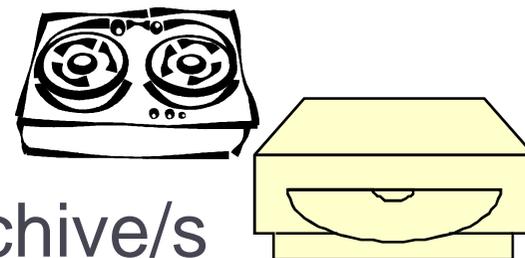


- ▶ A new migration project started
- ▶ Key persons were occupied elsewhere
- ▶ No money for development

Step Six

▶ Still - this was achieved

- Ingest stations – digitize the archive/s



- Database – find your material within the archives



- Dissemination – give access to the material



▶ This is yet to be done

- Catalogueing interface
- Search interface for broadcasters

Step Seven – for ever

- ▶ System administration = How to keep the system alive and well?
 - Administration
 - Draw a line between IT and the functionality of the system
 - Developing – altering
 - How to help your users
 - Investments
 - Migration

Conclusions:

- ▶ Choice of technical platform is not the big issue
- ▶ Planning and running the project ARE
- ▶ Existing workflows and staff will always be effected!
- ▶ Project planning should always include planning of the unknown future!

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