CUSTOMIZING DSPACE 1.5 WITH BASIC OVERLAYS

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DSpace 1.5 Overview

- Maven Build Architecture
 - DSpace "modules"
 - Application "Overlays"
- XMLUI (aka. Manakin)
- Configurable Submission
- Streamlined Browse System
- SWORD Interface
- LNI (Lightweight Network Interface)



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Introducing Maven...

- Apache Software Foundation
- Java Project Build / Management Tool
- Advantages:
 - Manages dependencies
 - Easier to manage/build many "modules"
 - Allows for basic application customizations via "overlays"
- Disadvantages:
 - Yet Another XML config (many actually...)
 - Somewhat complex, if doing more than basic overlays

Maven v. Ant

DSpace 1.x-1.4 used Ant to build & install DSpace

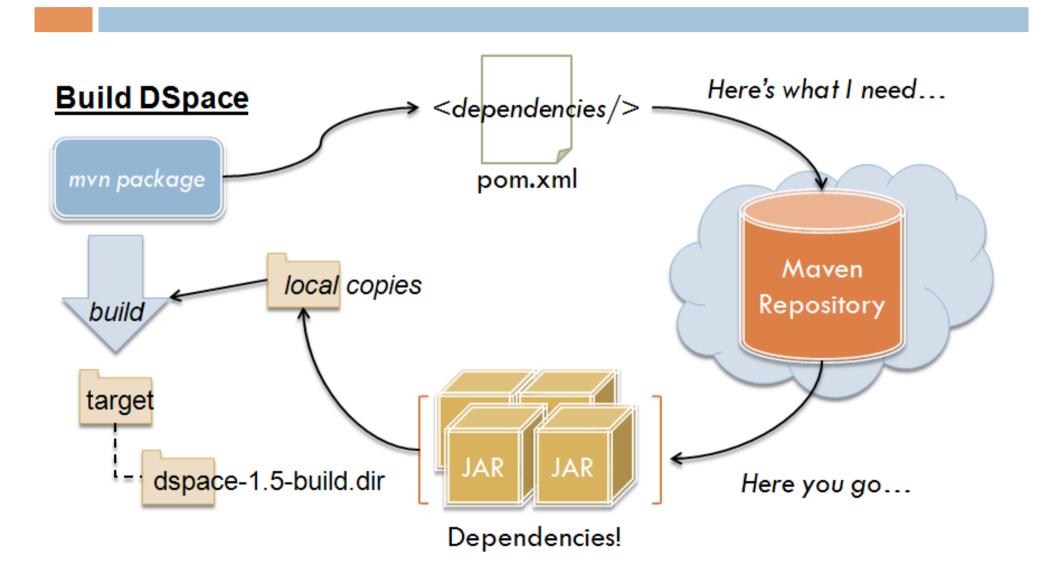
DSpace 1.5 uses both Maven & Ant

Maven – Builds / Assembles DSpace "package"

Includes applying "overlays" and pulling down all the necessary 3rd party dependencies

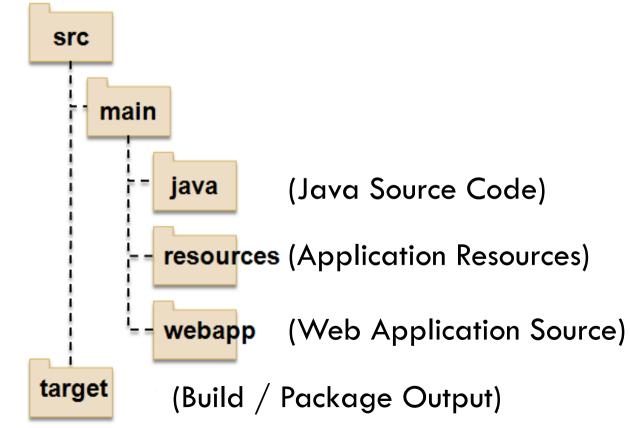
Ant – Installs or Updates your DSpace Installation

Ok, so what really is Maven?

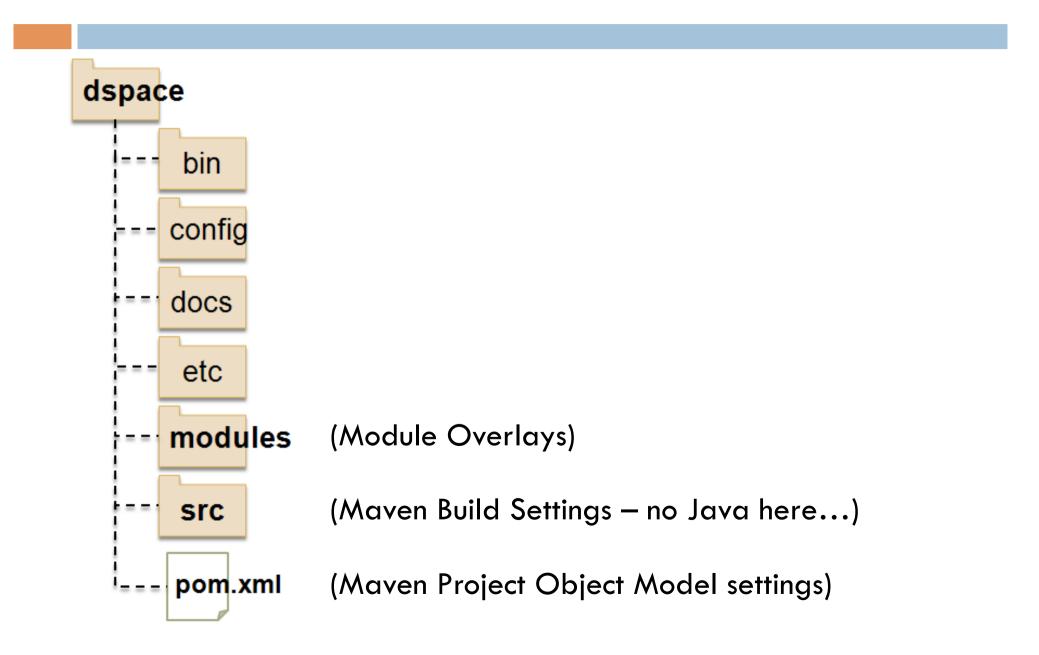


Maven Concepts: An Overview

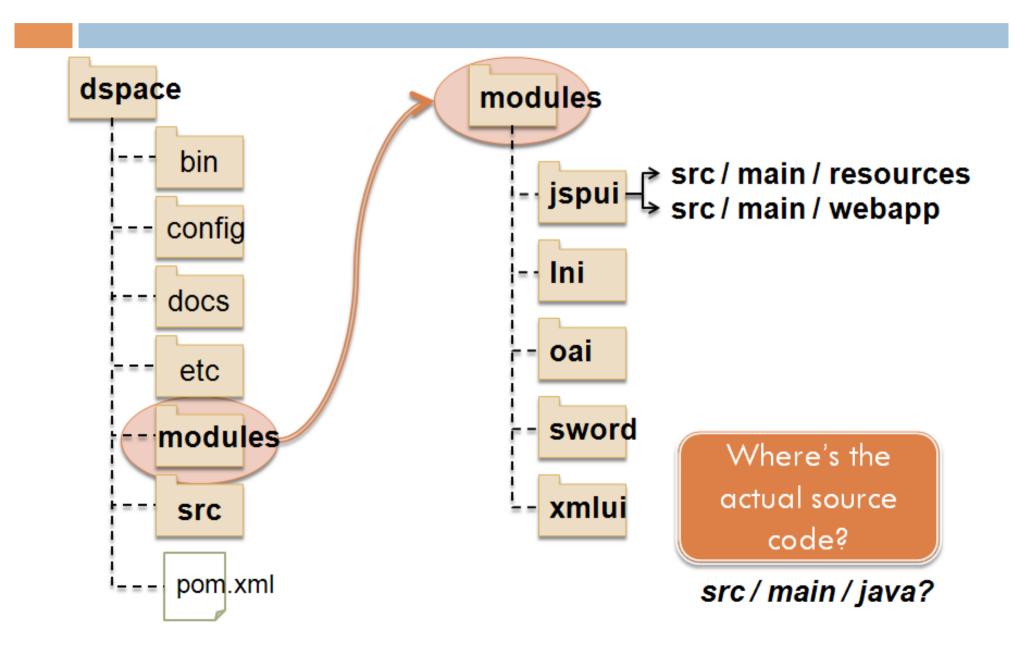
- pom.xml (Project Object Model)
- Standard directory layout



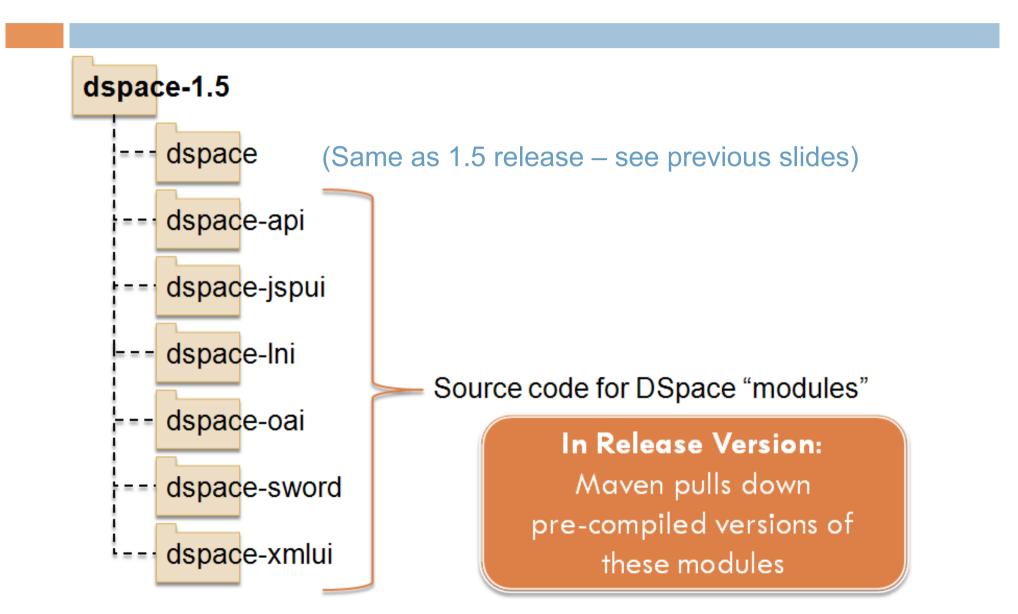
DSpace 1.5 Release



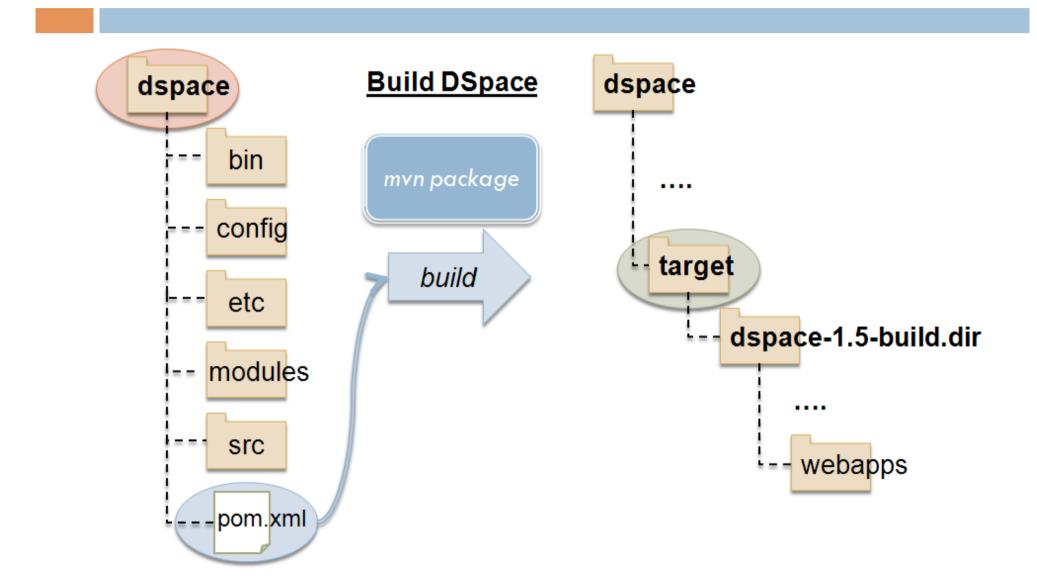
DSpace 1.5 "Modules"



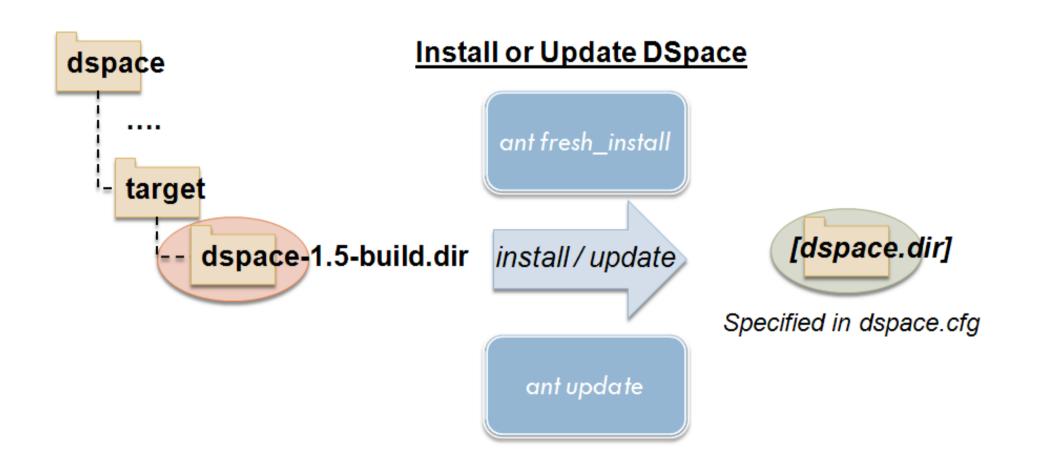
DSpace 1.5 Source (SVN)



Building DSpace 1.5 (Maven)



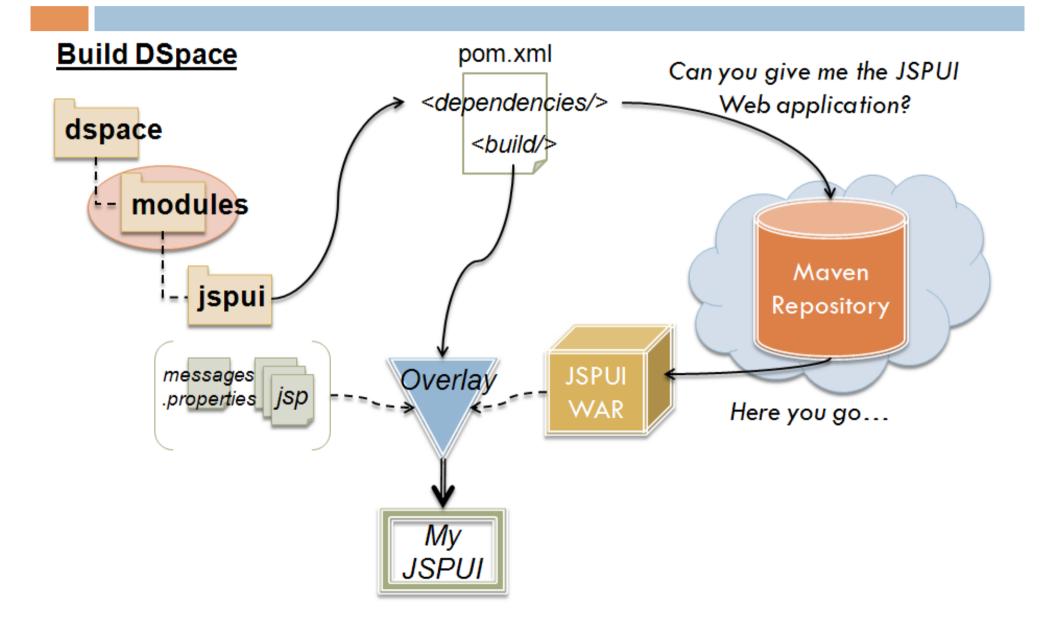
Installing DSpace 1.5 (Ant)



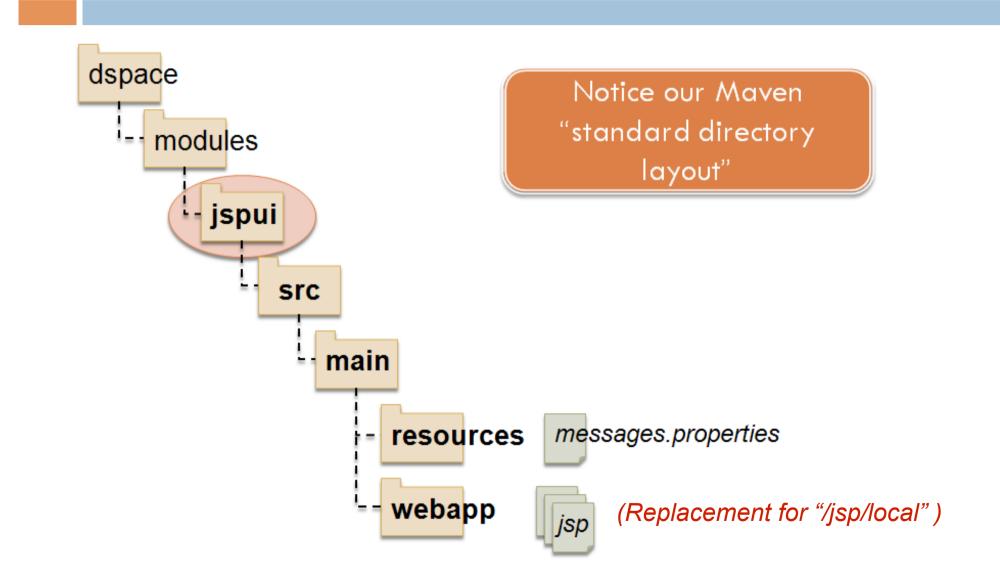
What are Overlays?

- Simple way to "overlay" your own basic customizations and code
- Allow you to more easily manage your customizations separately
- What can you "overlay"?
 - User interface look-and-feel (JSPUI, XMLUI Themes)
 - Language / terminology
 - Java code to add functionality (basic XMLUI Aspect)
 - Although, this may be better built into a custom "module"

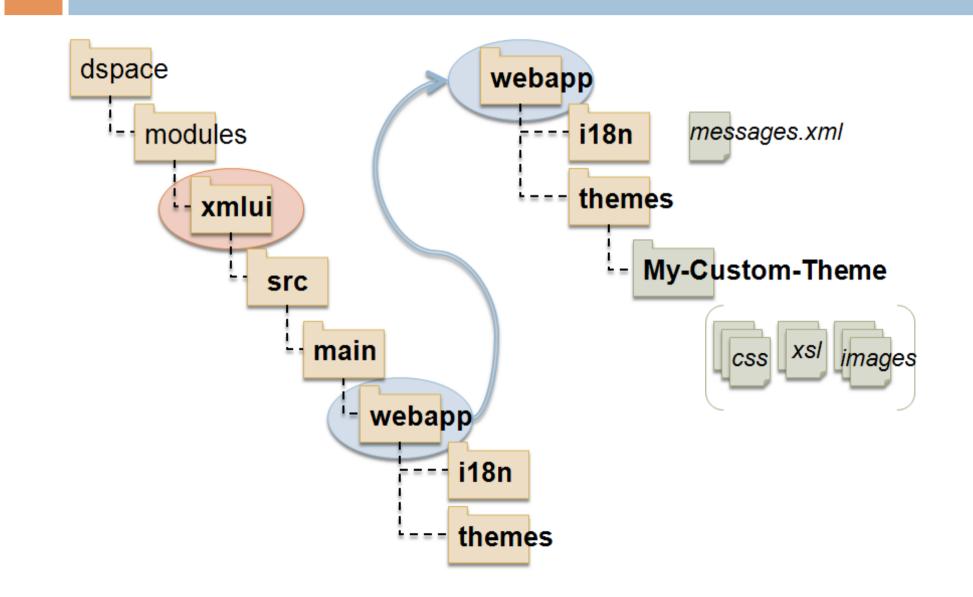
Modules + Maven = Overlays



Creating a Basic Overlay - JSPUI



Creating a Basic Overlay - XMLUI



Building/Installing an Overlay

- Add your files to appropriate "/dspace/modules/" directory (see previous slides)
- Rebuild DSpace: mvn package
 - Builds to [dspace-src]/dspace/target/
- Update DSpace installation: ant update
 - Installs to [dspace.dir] (as specified in dspace.cfg)

Sample Overlays

Custom XMLUI Aspect – Breadcrumb Trail

Configurable Submission – Custom Step

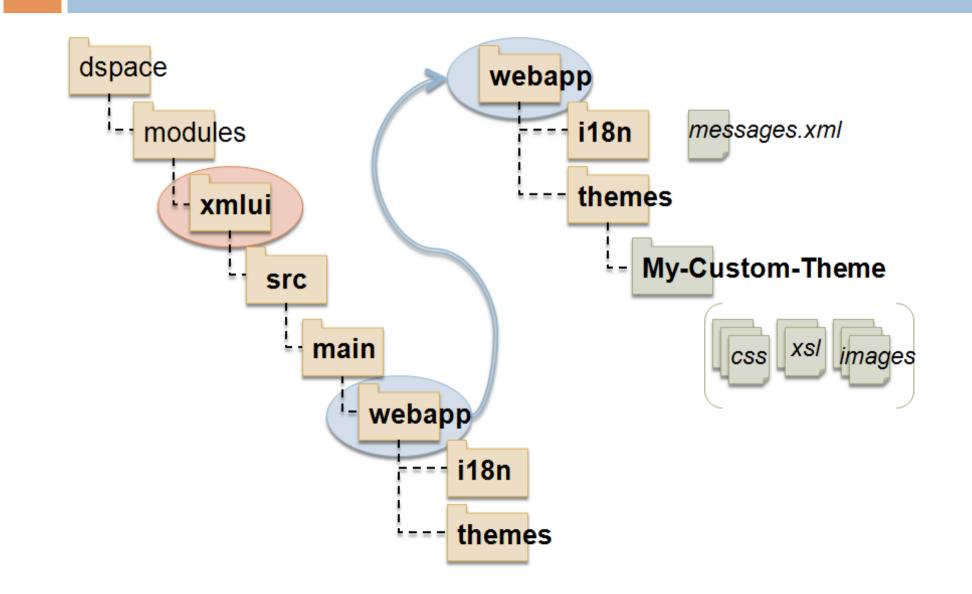
XMLUI Aspect Overlay

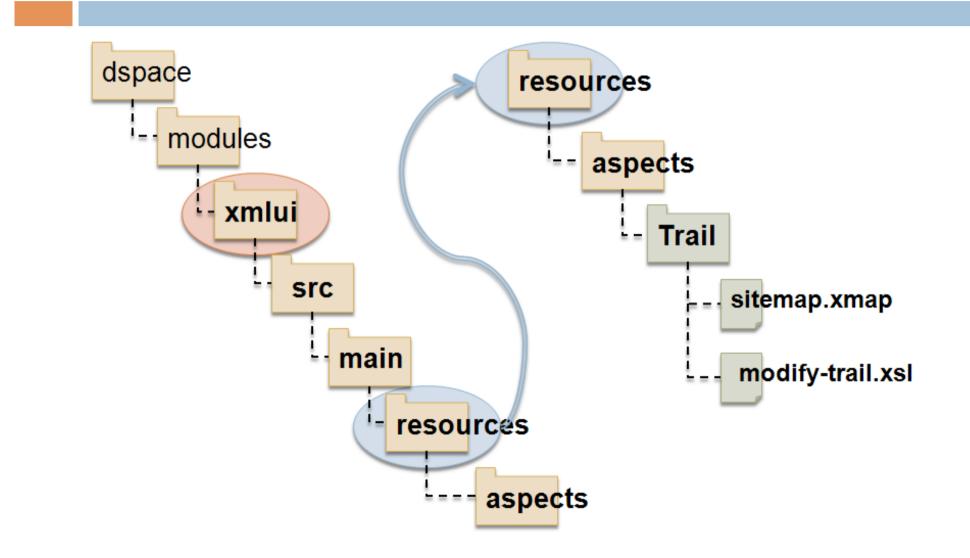
 Modify Breadcrumb Trail to link to our Library's Homepage

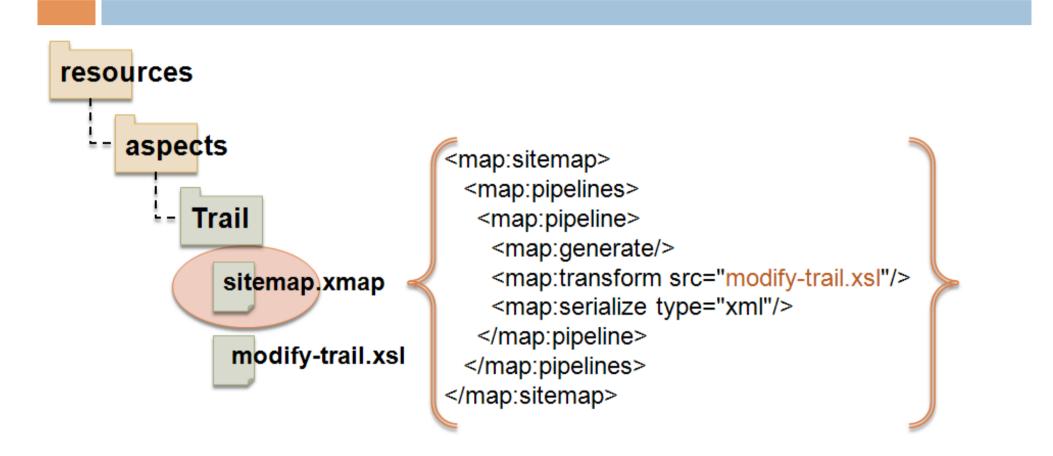
• Do this at the "aspect" level so that it will apply across all of our XMLUI Themes

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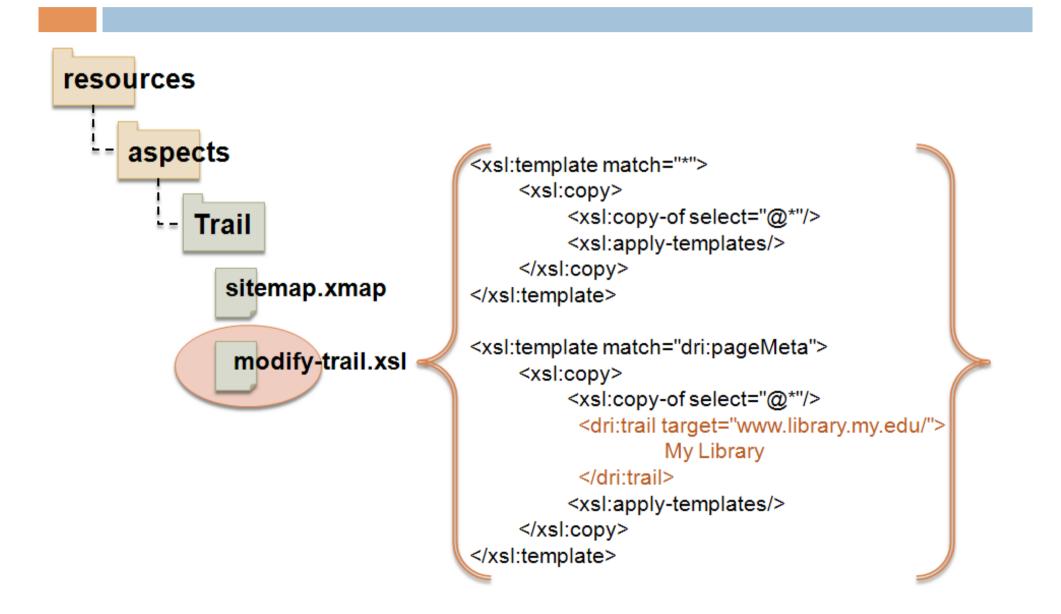
XMLUI Theme Overlay, in Review

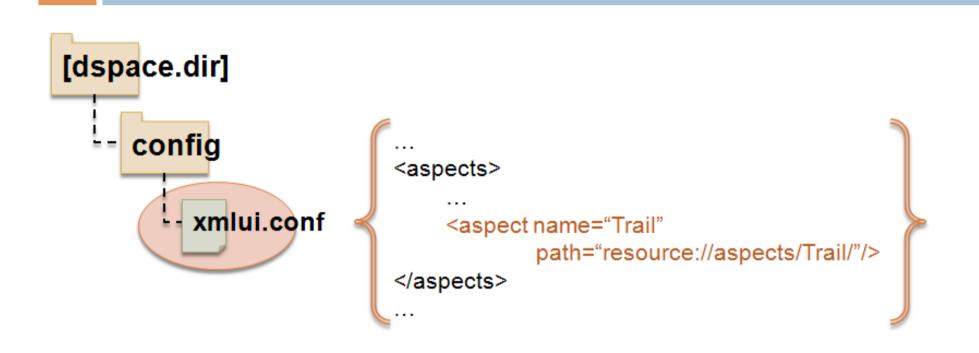




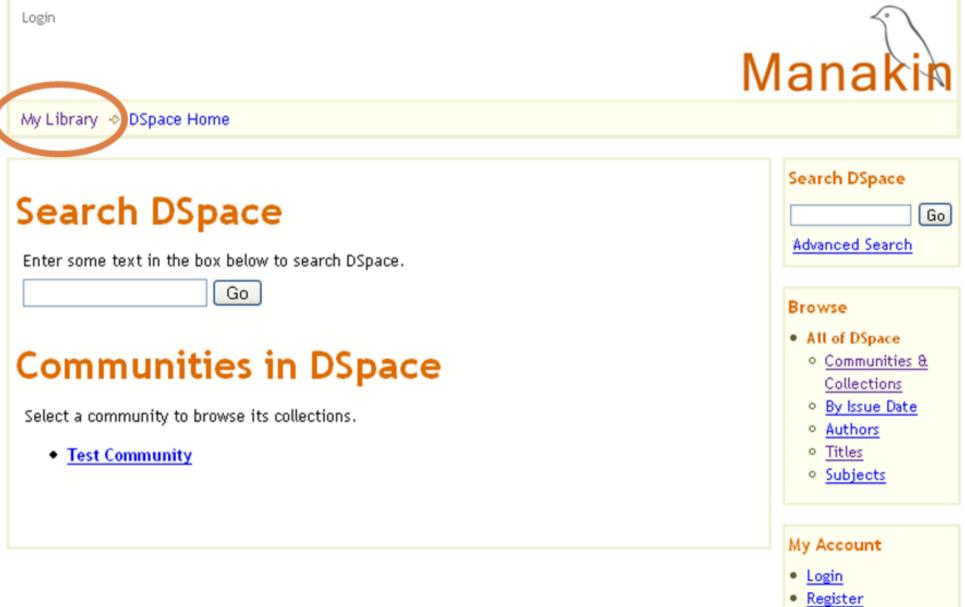


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Not Shown: Re-Building & Updating DSpace 1.5 Installation

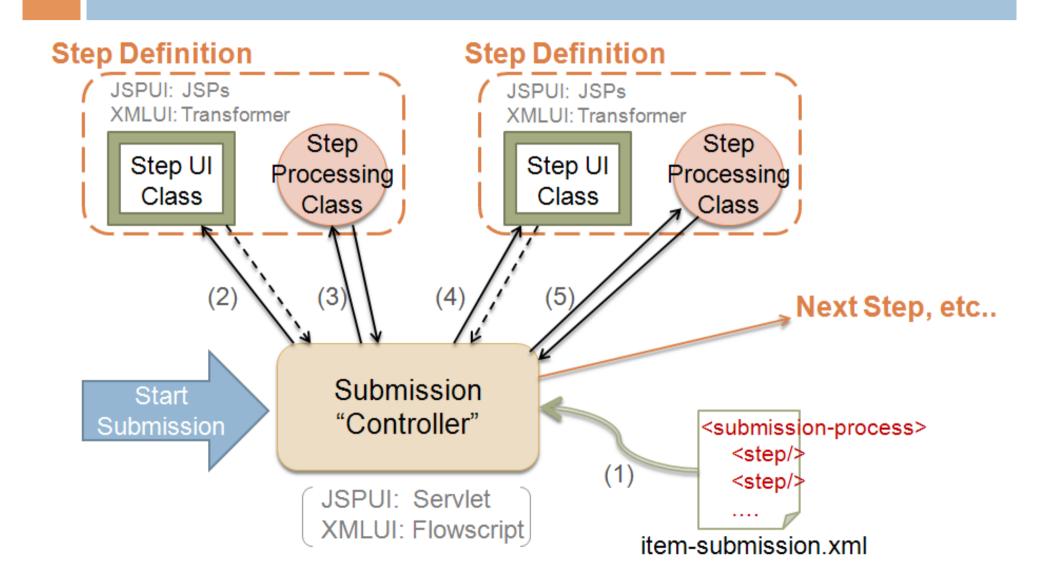


Configurable Submission

- Reorder, remove or add "steps" to Submission
- Different submission processes for different collections

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Configurable Submission



Configurable Submission Overlay

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