

**Perspectives on
the Internet Version of the
Language and Culture Atlas of
Ashkenazic Jewry**

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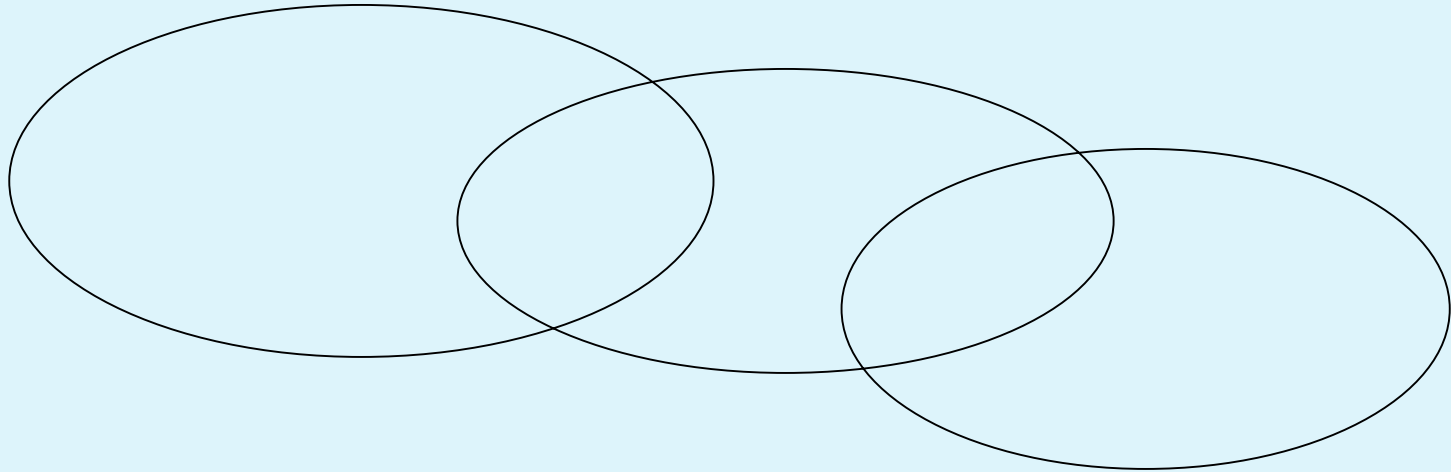
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A Decade of Consequences

- A critical juncture
- The role of serendipity

The Center for Research on Information Access (CRIA) at the Columbia University Libraries



On Selecting Contributions to the Libraries

- **Distinguished Faculty**
- **Many manuscripts**
- **Limited space**
- **High cost**

- **The LCAAJ Collection at the Columbia University Libraries**
- **The making of this decision**

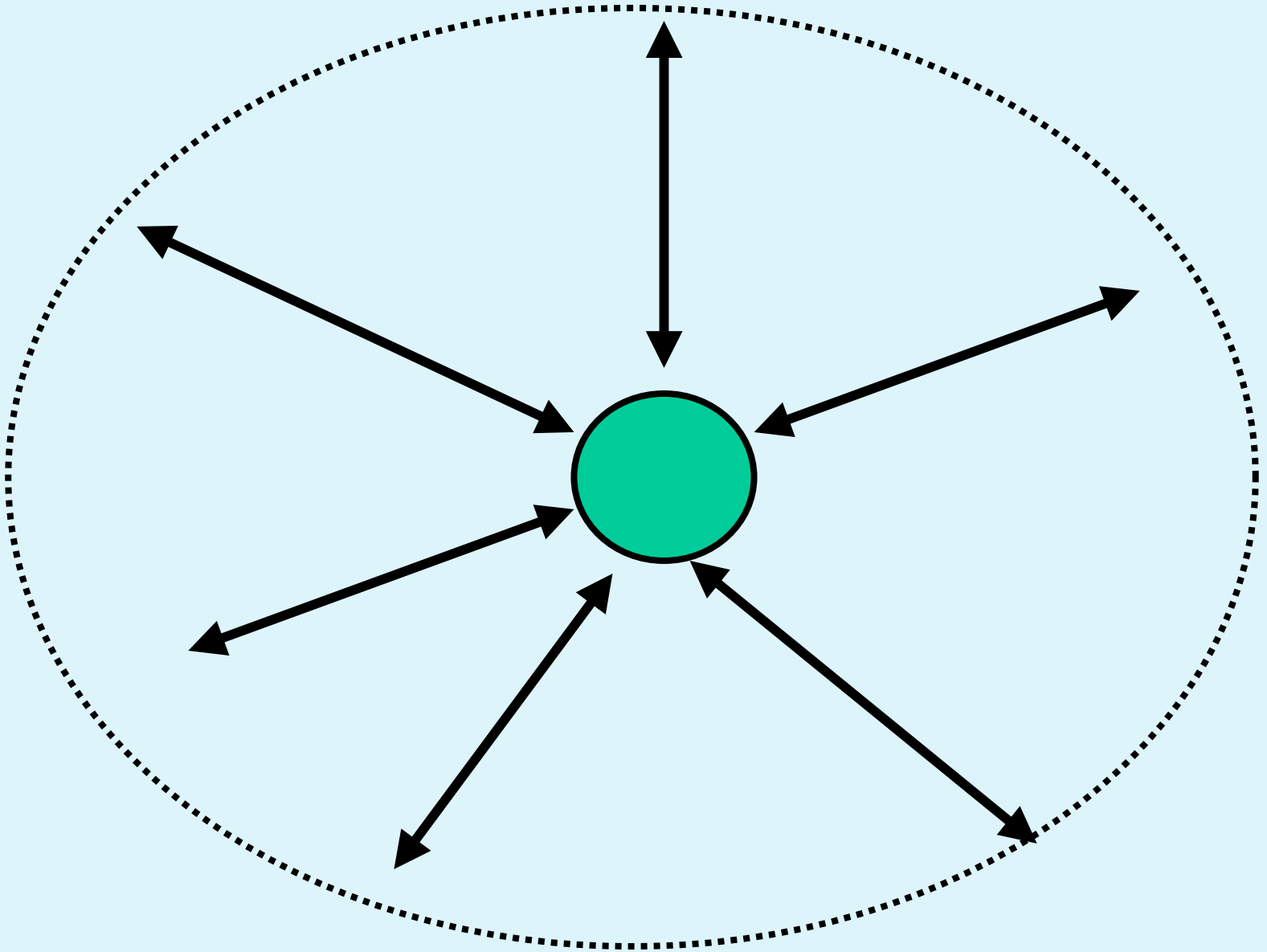
A Vision of Internet Access

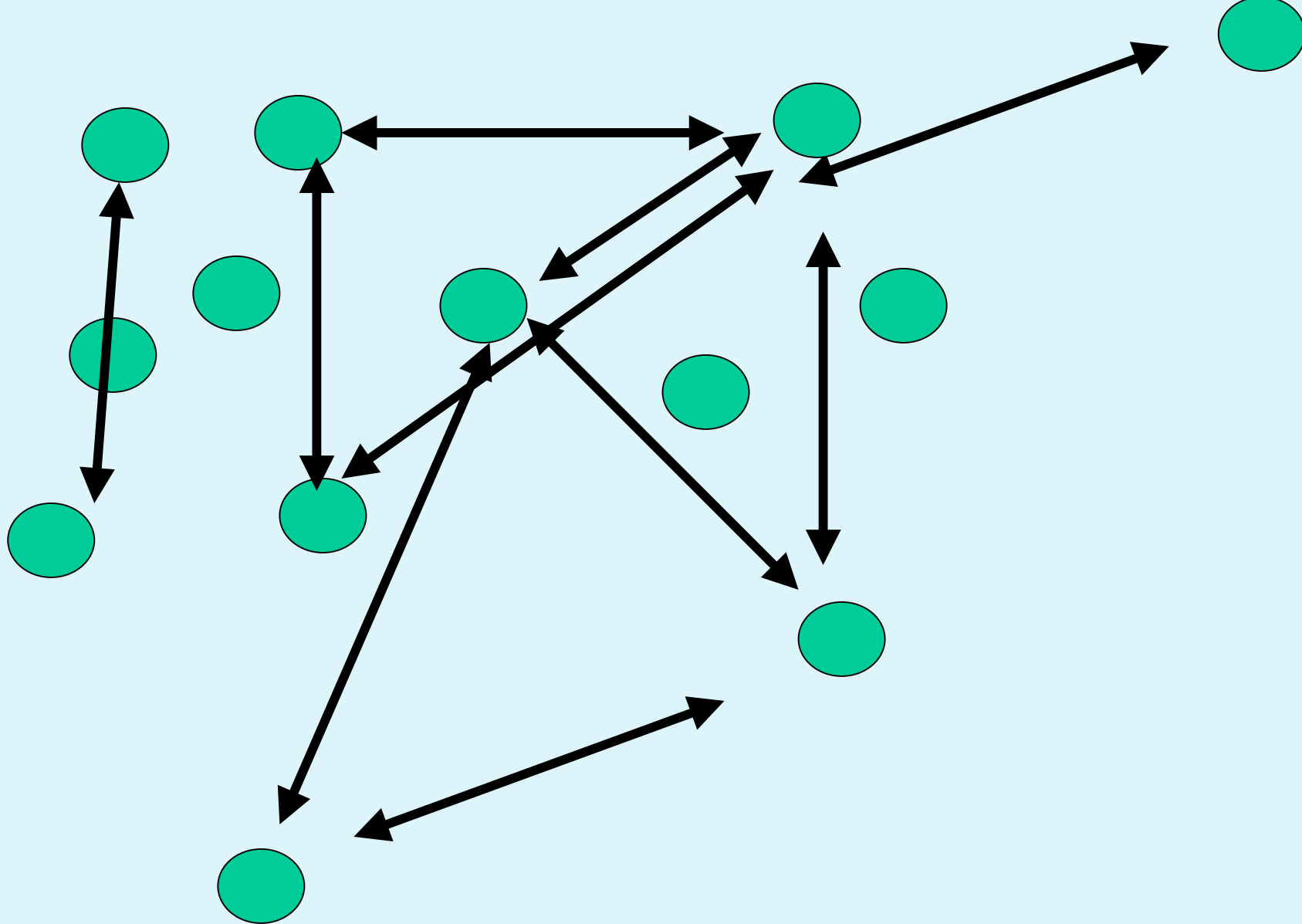
- **Preservation came first**
- **Then access**

- **Ready for additional uses**

Broad and Enduring Impact

- **Across Fields**
- **Across Languages**





Broad and Enduring Impact

- **Creating new knowledge**
- **Contributing to many fields**

Next Steps ?