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Film is Good Stuff

- * more than 100 years old
- * Reliable
- ♣ Good quality
- * Flexible
- ♣ Ubiquitous
- * Simple
- * Continually being upgraded



Film Industy Trends

- ♣ Increasing number of screens, but fewer seats per screen
- ♣ More copies needed of films
- ♣ Need method for faster distribution process
- ♣ Film capture and postproduction becoming Fully Digital
- Better quality control



More Film Industry trends

- International releases are happening sooner
- ♣ International markets now provide more than half of Hollywood's revenue
- Piracy of films estimated as a\$2 billion / year business



Advantages for Film Makers

- ♣ No forced changes to film-making process
- ♣ Better control of presentation quality
- * fits in digital post-production
- * Faster worldwide release
- * Better audio quality
- * Ease of releasing multiple cuts



Advantages for Distributors

- ♣ Easy to increase (or decrease) number of copies
- ♣ Overnight worldwide distribution
- Guaranteed delivery of perfect digital print
- Cryptographic encryption



Advantages for Exhibitors

- Potential for new revenue streams
- ♣ Fits in existing theatre automation and sound systems
- ♣ Smaller theatres become more cost effective



Advantages for the Public

- ♣ Consistent Presentation Quality
- ♣ Live Event Showings Made Possible
- Support for Sight and Hearing Impaired Tracks



♣Image Quality

★Security

*****Cost Effectiveness

*****Reliability

*****Flexibility

★Controllability/Ease of Operation

♣Upgradability



Obstacles for implementation

- * Electronic projection equipment
- Wasn't able to provide good quality images on large screens
- ★ Standardization processes are still underway
- ★ Costs have been unacceptably High
- ♣ High compression rates



Satellite based system

- Expanded capabilities
- simultaneous reliable delivery worldwide
- ★ capability to present live events: concerts, matches, fashion shows, interviews of movie stars, corporate events, distance learning...
- * additional revenues

