

Centralized vs. decentralized

Centralized

- one central list
- remote apps that sync with central?

Decentralized

- sync to URL(s)?
 - need a network protocol
 - HTTP?
 - SSL?
- group-wise sync?
 - establish master/slaves?
 - easier than coordinated group-update::

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map each URL to synch -> the last time updated.
if (update_period)
  forall URLs: synch
else if (incoming_update)
  forall (URLs older than incoming update): synch
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- synch based on hash of updates?
 - need canonicalizer for text. Use XML?

External Feeds

Item format

- time started
- name/description
- notes
- category?

Pull from

- needs to be optional
- standardized input format
 - easy to parse
 - no errors, false positives
 - restrictive.
- flexible input format
 - matches regex's?
 - map groups to fields

Push to

- optional
- standardized output
 - cannot be flexible to match output medium
- flexible input format
 - choose fields and format values