

Part V

Conclusion

In this section we compare the analog distribution costs of slide libraries to the costs associated with the MESL Project. Because there are serious limitations to direct cost comparisons between these two environments, we first explain those limitations. Then we examine the actual costs and compare them to one another. We then discuss the implications of this study for future digital image distribution schemes. We point to future research that we think needs to be undertaken. Then we make some concluding remarks about the UC Berkeley-Mellon Study.