



Digital Science

Reproducibility and Visibility in Astronomy

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Advanced Workflow Preservation Technologies for Enhanced Science

2011 - 2013



1. Intelligent Software Components (ISOCO, Spain)
2. University of Manchester (UNIMAN, UK)
3. Universidad Politécnica de Madrid (UPM, Spain)
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Reproducible
Science



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Astronomy Research Lifecycle

Astronomy research lifecycle is **entirely digital**

- » Observation proposals 
- » Data reduction pipelines
- » Analysis of science ready data
- » Catalogs of objects and data archives
- » Publish process
 - › Final data results 
 - › Experiment in DL
ADS/arXiv

Reproducible research is still not possible in a digital world

A rich infrastructure of data is not efficiently used

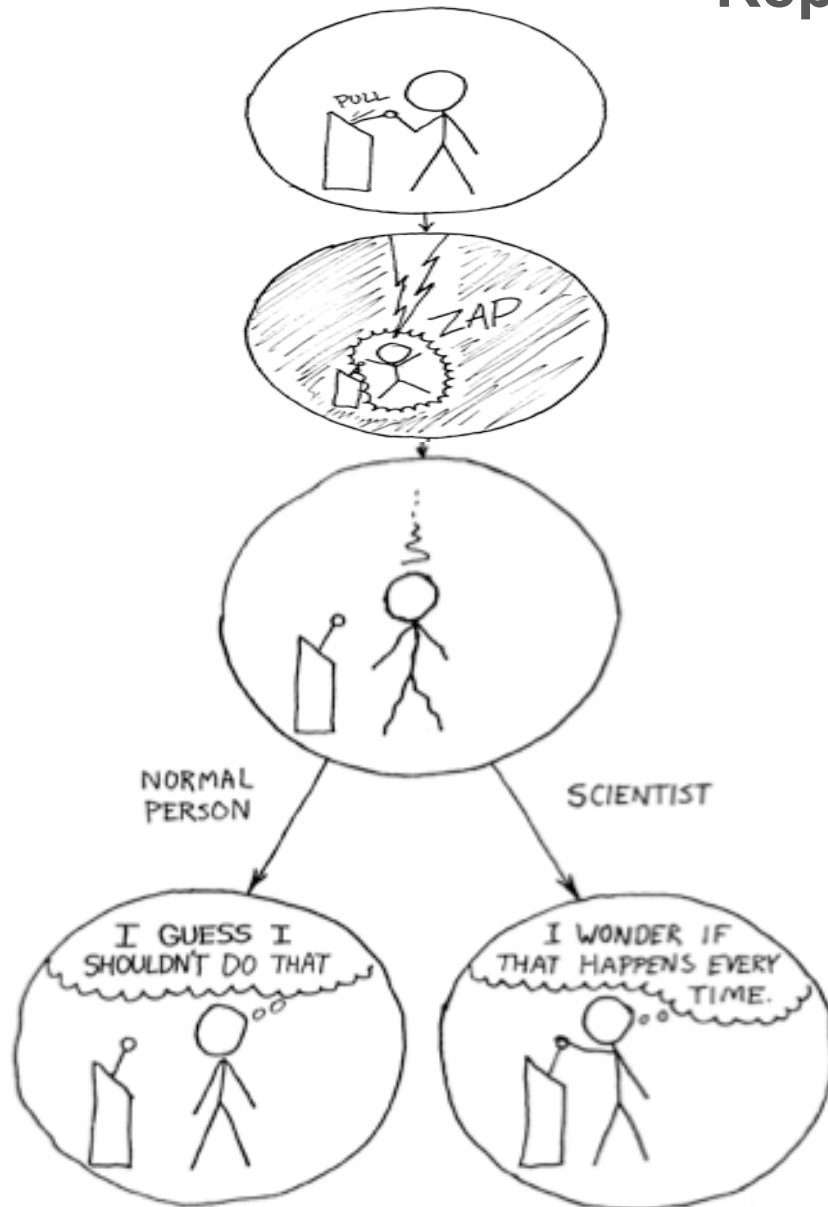


A normalized preservation of methodology is needed

Tools

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Reproducibility and The Scientific Method



<http://xkcd.com/242/>

Benefits

- » Publishing knowledge, **not advertising**
- » The author, the referee, the re-user
- » Reputation, prestige and respect
- » **Higher quality of publications**
 - › Authors will be more careful
 - › Many eyes to check results

Challenges

- » Hard and time consuming
- » Need incentives – **not rewarded** now

Barriers to Data and Code Sharing in Computational Science

Survey of Machi

I don't know how

(en, 2010):

Code		Data
77%	Time to document and clean up	54%
52%	Dealing with questions from users	34%
44%	Not receiving attribution	42%
40%	Possibility of patents	-
34%	Legal Barriers (ie. copyright)	41%
-	Time to verify release with admin	38%
30%	Potential loss of future publications	35%
30%	Competitors may get an advantage	33%
20%	Web/disk space limitations	29%

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Visibility, Efficiency and Reuse

Optimize return on investments made on big facilities

- » Avoid duplication of efforts and reinvention
- » How to discover and not duplicate ?
- » How to re-use and not duplicate ?
- » How to make use of best practices ?
- » How to use the rich infrastructure of data ?
- » **Intellectual contribs are encoded in software**

More data in archives does not imply more knowledge

- » Expose **complete scientific record**, not the story
- » Allow easy **discovery** of methods and tools



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Visibility and Social Discovery

Paper discovery: the social dimension

The image is a collage of various digital science and social discovery tools and platforms. The tools shown include:

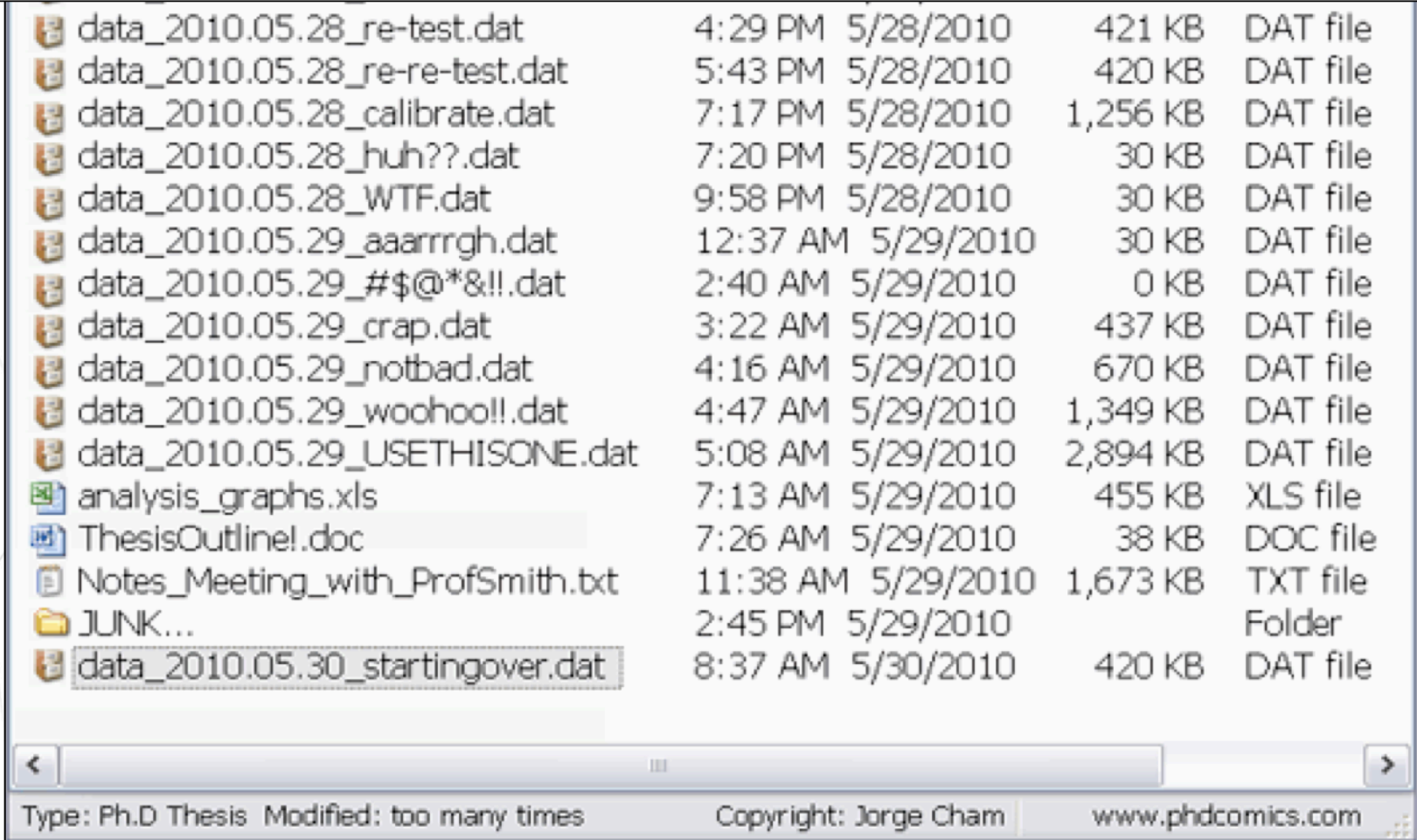
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- klænk**: Spread your research results
- delicious**: social bookmarking
- slideshare**: BETA
- AstroBetter**: Tips and Tricks for Professional Astronomers
- Collabgraph!**: Collaborating in your field of research. Just [input field] or upload a bibtex file, containing your [input field] graph will create a fancy graph showing [input field]
- zotero**

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The Executable Paper

Time has come to go **beyond the PDF**



Going beyond automation Organization



A screenshot of a Windows file explorer window showing a directory listing of files and folders. The files are listed in a table with columns for file name, date and time, size, and file type. The file 'data_2010.05.30_startingover.dat' is selected.

data_2010.05.28_re-test.dat	4:29 PM 5/28/2010	421 KB	DAT file
data_2010.05.28_re-re-test.dat	5:43 PM 5/28/2010	420 KB	DAT file
data_2010.05.28_calibrate.dat	7:17 PM 5/28/2010	1,256 KB	DAT file
data_2010.05.28_huh??.dat	7:20 PM 5/28/2010	30 KB	DAT file
data_2010.05.28_WTF.dat	9:58 PM 5/28/2010	30 KB	DAT file
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data_2010.05.29_#\$@*&!!.dat	2:40 AM 5/29/2010	0 KB	DAT file
data_2010.05.29_crap.dat	3:22 AM 5/29/2010	437 KB	DAT file
data_2010.05.29_notbad.dat	4:16 AM 5/29/2010	670 KB	DAT file
data_2010.05.29_woohoo!!.dat	4:47 AM 5/29/2010	1,349 KB	DAT file
data_2010.05.29_USETHISONE.dat	5:08 AM 5/29/2010	2,894 KB	DAT file
analysis_graphs.xls	7:13 AM 5/29/2010	455 KB	XLS file
ThesisOutline!.doc	7:26 AM 5/29/2010	38 KB	DOC file
Notes_Meeting_with_ProfSmith.txt	11:38 AM 5/29/2010	1,673 KB	TXT file
JUNK...	2:45 PM 5/29/2010		Folder
data_2010.05.30_startingover.dat	8:37 AM 5/30/2010	420 KB	DAT file

Type: Ph.D Thesis Modified: too many times Copyright: Jorge Cham www.phdcomics.com

Workflows to Access and Massage VO Data Digital Astronomy in the Local Desktop

**Capture
Actions, Tasks, Dependencies, Provenance**

**Improve
Clarity and Reproducibility**

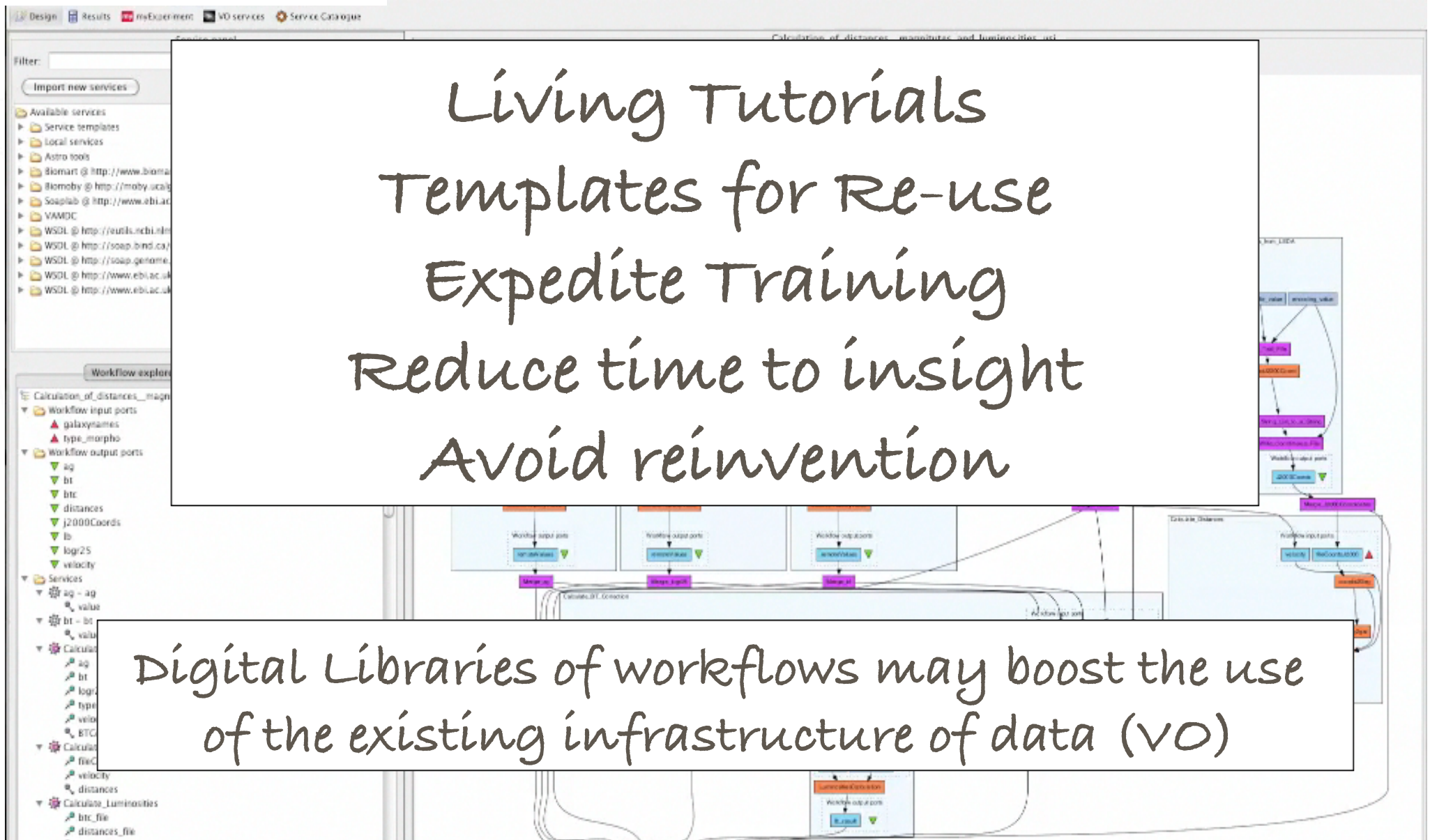
FORTRAN

The collage features several key astronomical data portals and tools: **VAO** (Virtual Astronomy Observing) showing a table of objects and image thumbnails; the **NASA/IPAC Extragalactic Database** with a table of objects and a 'News & Feature Updates' section; the **CDS** (Centre for Data Services) search interface; and the **Image Reduction and Analysis Facility** (IRAF) with a 'Pfam: Search DNA vs. Pfam' form. Handwritten text in a white box and a 'FORTRAN' logo are overlaid on the central part of the collage, with red arrows pointing to various elements.

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Living Tutorials
Templates for Re-use
Expedite Training
Reduce time to insight
Avoid reinvention

Digital Libraries of workflows may boost the use of the existing infrastructure of data (VO)



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Related Initiatives

- › ER-Flow
- › VAMDC
- › **HELIO**
- › Cyber-SKA
- › IceCore
- › Montage
- › **Astro-WISE**
- › AstroGrid

Software

- › **Taverna**
- › Kepler
- › Pegasus
- › Triana
- › **ESO Reflex**

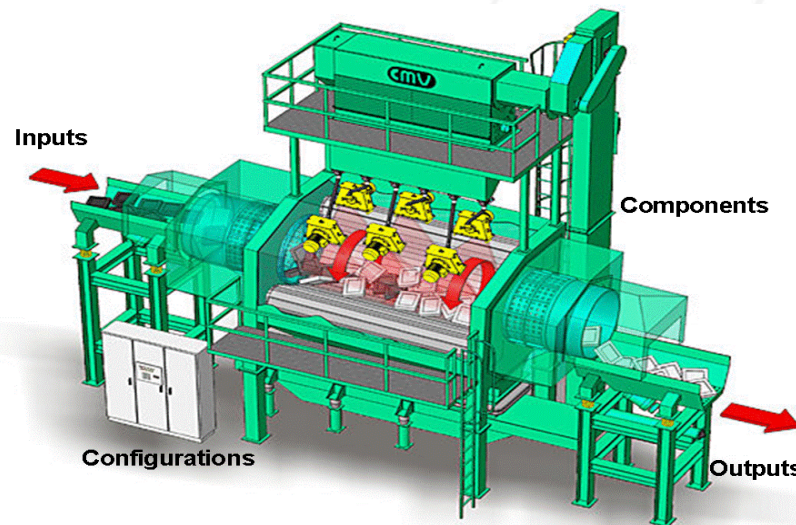
IVOA



- › AstroGrid
- › Grid&WS WG
- › VO France Wf WG

Self descriptive WS

- › **PDL**
- › SimDAL, S3

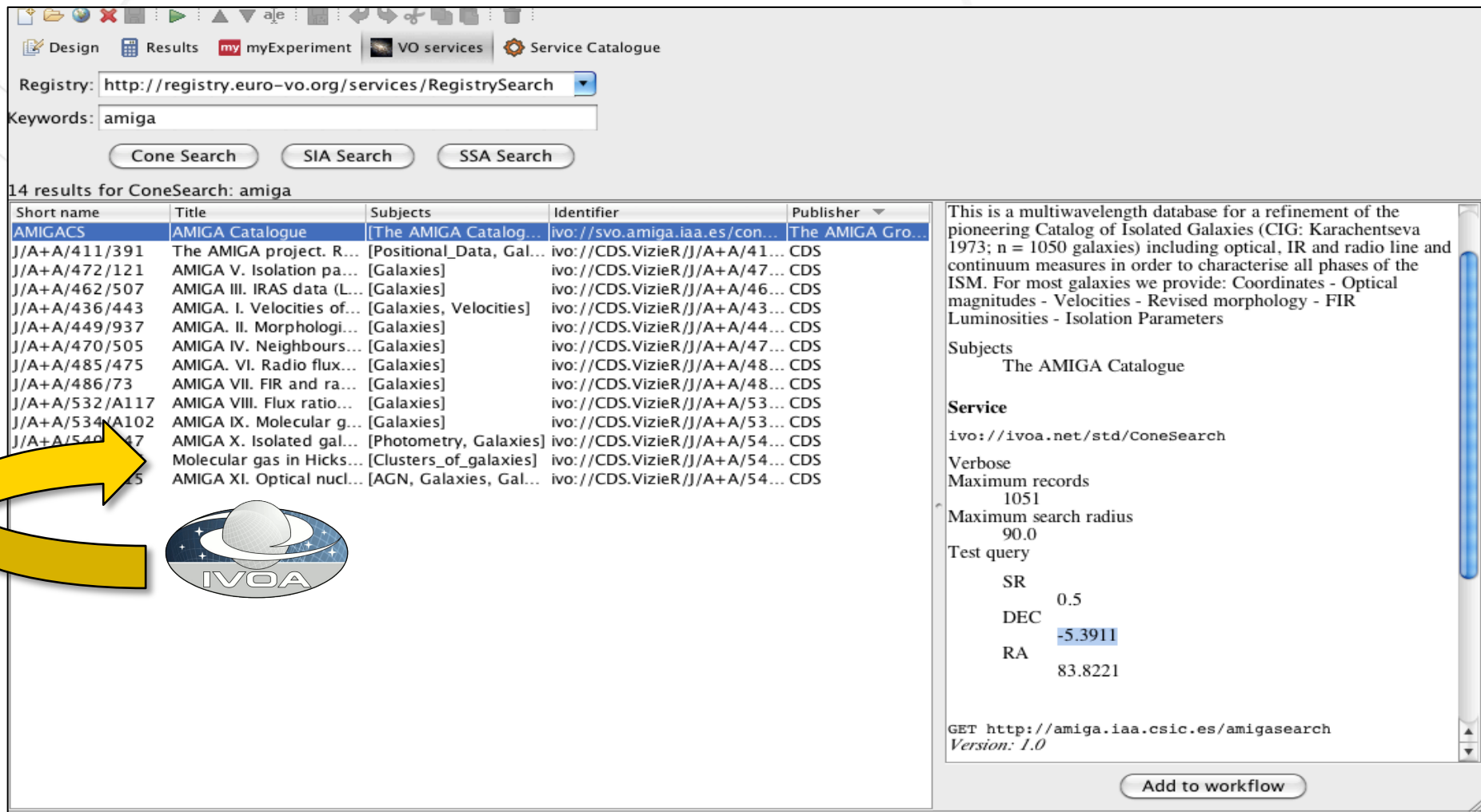


Interoperability
Standards

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Astronomical Research Objects in Action

AstroTaverna: Create, annotate and run a workflow



Registry: <http://registry.euro-vo.org/services/RegistrySearch>

Keywords: amiga

Cone Search SIA Search SSA Search

14 results for ConeSearch: amiga

Short name	Title	Subjects	Identifier	Publisher
AMIGACS	AMIGA Catalogue	[The AMIGA Catalog...	ivo://svo.amiga.iaa.es/con...	The AMIGA Gro...
J/A+A/411/391	The AMIGA project. R...	[Positional_Data, Gal...	ivo://CDS.VizieR/J/A+A/41...	CDS
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J/A+A/540/47	AMIGA XI. Optical nucl...	[AGN, Galaxies, Gal...	ivo://CDS.VizieR/J/A+A/54...	CDS

This is a multiwavelength database for a refinement of the pioneering Catalog of Isolated Galaxies (CIG: Karachentseva 1973; n = 1050 galaxies) including optical, IR and radio line and continuum measures in order to characterise all phases of the ISM. For most galaxies we provide: Coordinates - Optical magnitudes - Velocities - Revised morphology - FIR Luminosities - Isolation Parameters

Subjects
The AMIGA Catalogue

Service
ivo://ivoa.net/std/ConeSearch

Verbose
Maximum records
1051
Maximum search radius
90.0
Test query
SR
DEC 0.5
RA -5.3911
83.8221

GET <http://amiga.iaa.csic.es/amigasearch>
Version: 1.0

Add to workflow



<http://amiga.iaa.es/p/290-astrotaverna.htm>

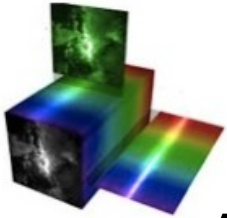
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Astronomical Research Objects in Action

AstroTaverna: Create, annotate and run a workflow

The screenshot displays the AstroTaverna interface. On the left, the 'Service panel' shows a list of services under 'Astro tools', with 'List from column - Get list from column in a votable' highlighted. A yellow arrow points from this service to the workflow diagram on the right. The workflow diagram, titled 'Querying_SDSS_DR8_to from /Users/julian/Documents/interop...', illustrates the data flow. It starts with 'Workflow input ports' (column_DEC, votable, column_RA) feeding into a 'ColumnName' step, which produces 'DEC_list' and 'RA_list'. These feed into a 'filter' step, which produces 'filter_value' and 'value'. The 'filter' step feeds into a 'Select_columns' step, which produces 'outputTable' and 'report'. The 'Select_columns' step feeds into a 'Cat_n-tables' step, which produces 'votableList' and 'report'. Finally, the 'Cat_n-tables' step feeds into 'Workflow output ports' (votable). The IVOA logo is visible in the bottom right corner of the interface.

<http://amiga.iaa.es/p/290-astrotaverna.htm>



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The next generation of archives

ASKAP Datacubes

	Low Res		High Res		Extreme Res	
Number	4 Bytes	4B	4 Bytes	4B	4 Bytes	4B
Resolution	2,048 x 2,048	16MB	8,192 x 8,192	268MB	12,288 x 12,288	603MB
Channels	16,384	0.27TB	16,384	4.39TB	16,384	9.8TB
Stokes & Weighting	1	0.27TB	1	4.39TB	4 + 1	49.5TB



SKA Datacubes



Spectral Line Datacube

- Dish
 - Assume 30,000 channels
 - $27,000 \times 27,000 \times 30,000 \times 4$
 - $\approx 80\text{TB}$
- AA
 - Assume 40,000 channels
 - $28,000 \times 28,000 \times 40,000 \times 4$
 - $\approx 125\text{TB}$
- Stokes parameters and Weighting Map
 - Multiple by 5
 - Dish $\approx 400\text{TB}$
 - AA $\approx 625\text{TB}$

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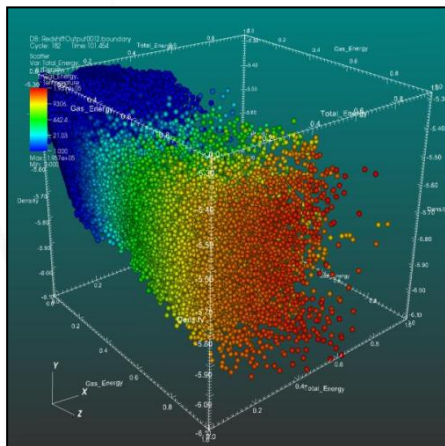
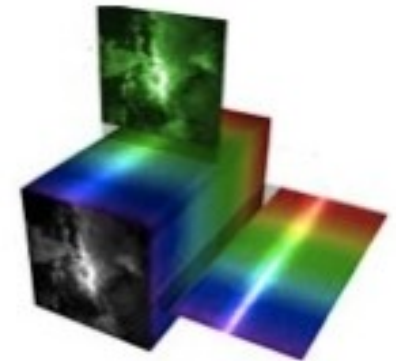
The next generation of archives

Much wider FoV and spectral coverage

- » Large volumes for a single observed dataset

Automated surveys

- » Huge amounts of tabular data



Extraction of scientifically relevant info from a multiD param. space

- » Exploration services
- » Anomaly detection
- » Cross-matching data
- » Dimensionality reduction

Detailed inspection and subset

- » Filtering
- » Extraction
- » Re-Projection
- » Analysis services

We are moving into a world where

- » computing and storage are cheap
- » **data movement is death**

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The next generation of archives

The *move computing to data* paradigm

- » A cloud of Web Services

Archives should evolve from *data* into

- » Virtual Data providers
- » Software Tasks

- » Archives speaking *Web Services*

Astronomy *observatories/facilities/wavelength*

Interconnected *interoperable* archives

- » *observatory*
- » *tasks*

Web Services based
Scientific Workflows

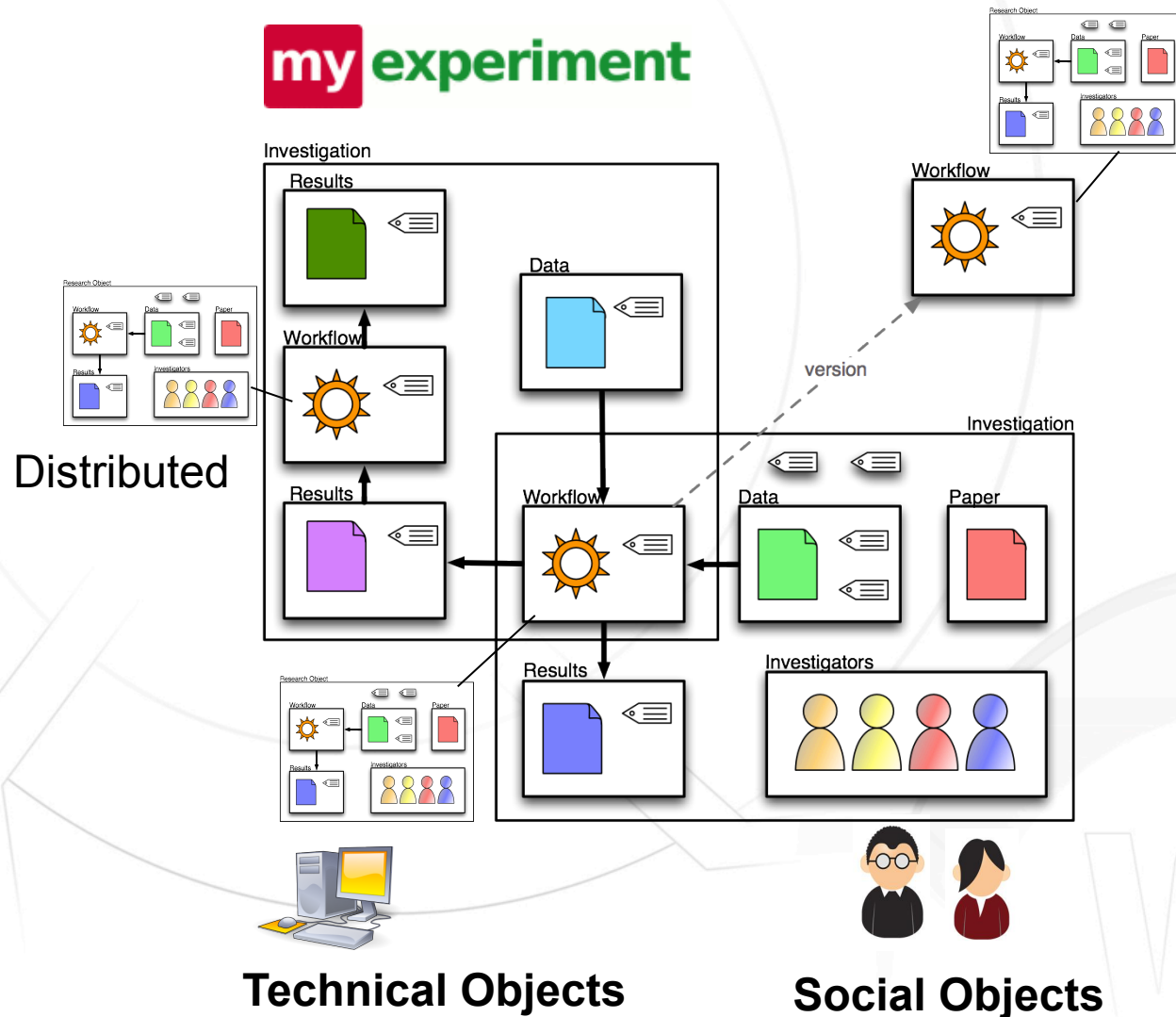
Preservation

Process should benefit of the same privileges acquired by data

Preserving the method ensures replication of final results at any moment

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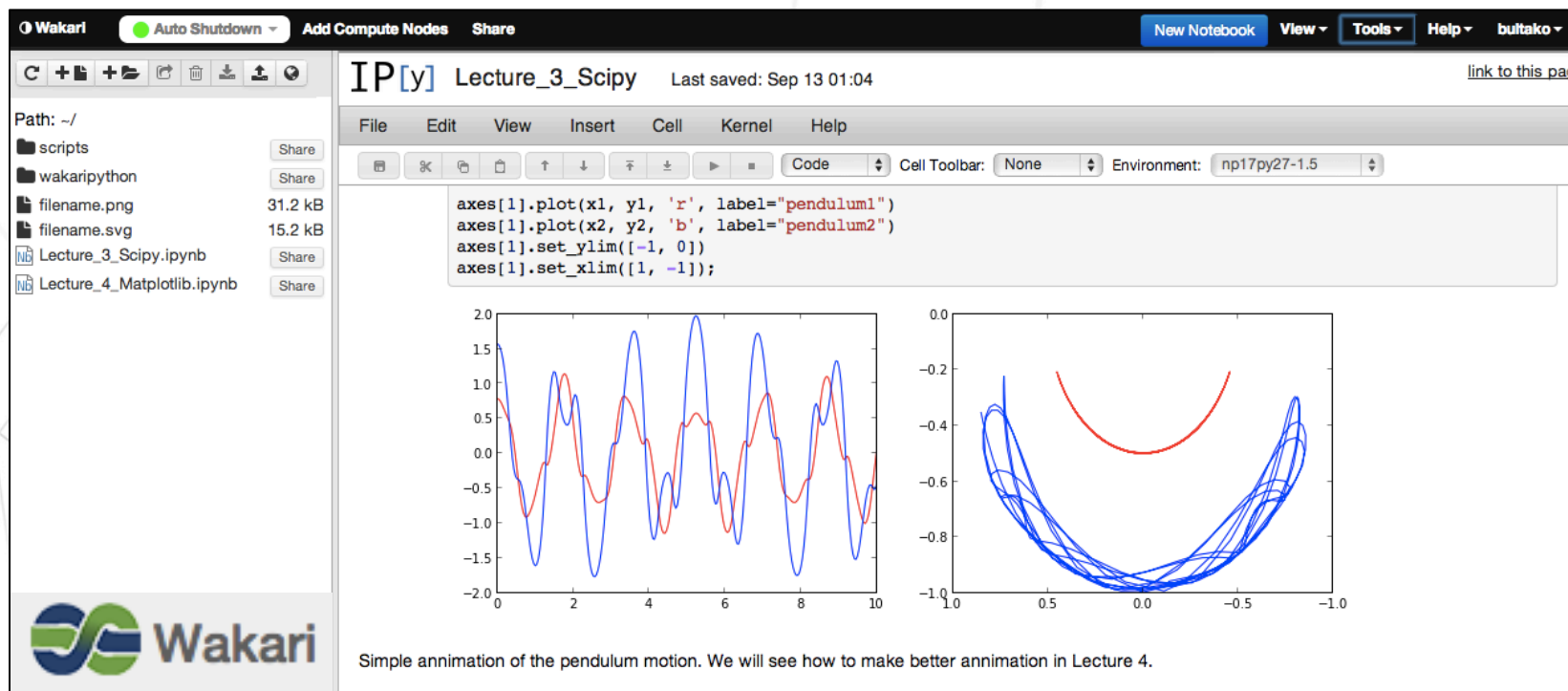
Expose **experimental context** in a structured way in order to be **understood**



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IPython Notebook solutions

- » **Web-browser** as the working desktop
- » Python code, plots and data, living with **rich-text documentation**
- » Cloud-based adaptive **scalable computing environment**
- » Fully shareable, re-usable and **executable wikis**
- » **Social** platform and Git **versioning**



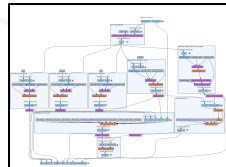
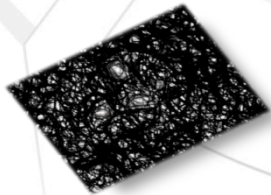
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Similar Initiative to ESO Telbib

ADSLabs

ADO Linked Components

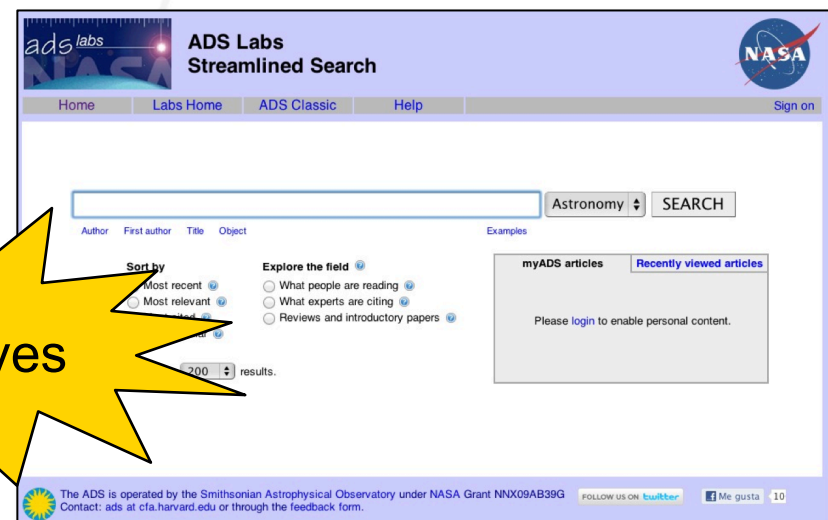
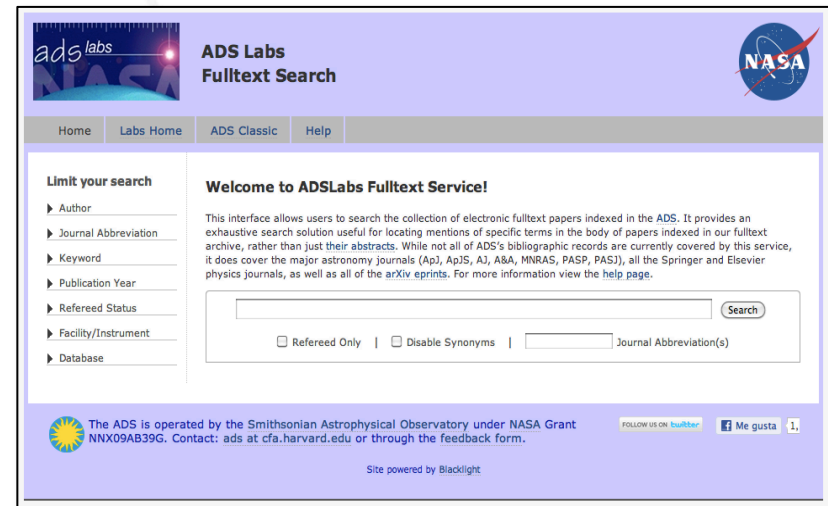
- » Authors
- » Publications
- » Journals
- » Objects SIMBAD
- » Tabular data behind the plots CDS
- » ASCL reference of used software
- » Observing time Proposals
- » Used facilities, surveys or missions



Incentives



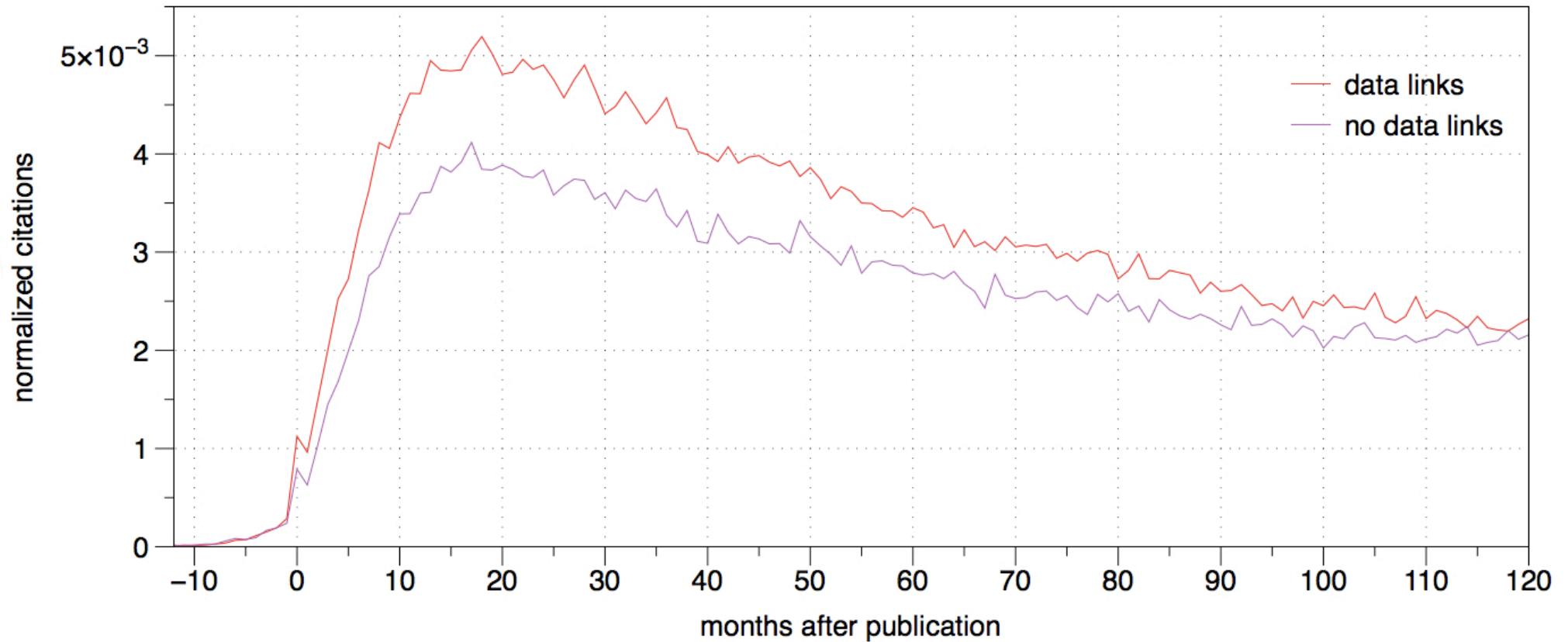
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The Incentive

Papers with data links are cited more than those without

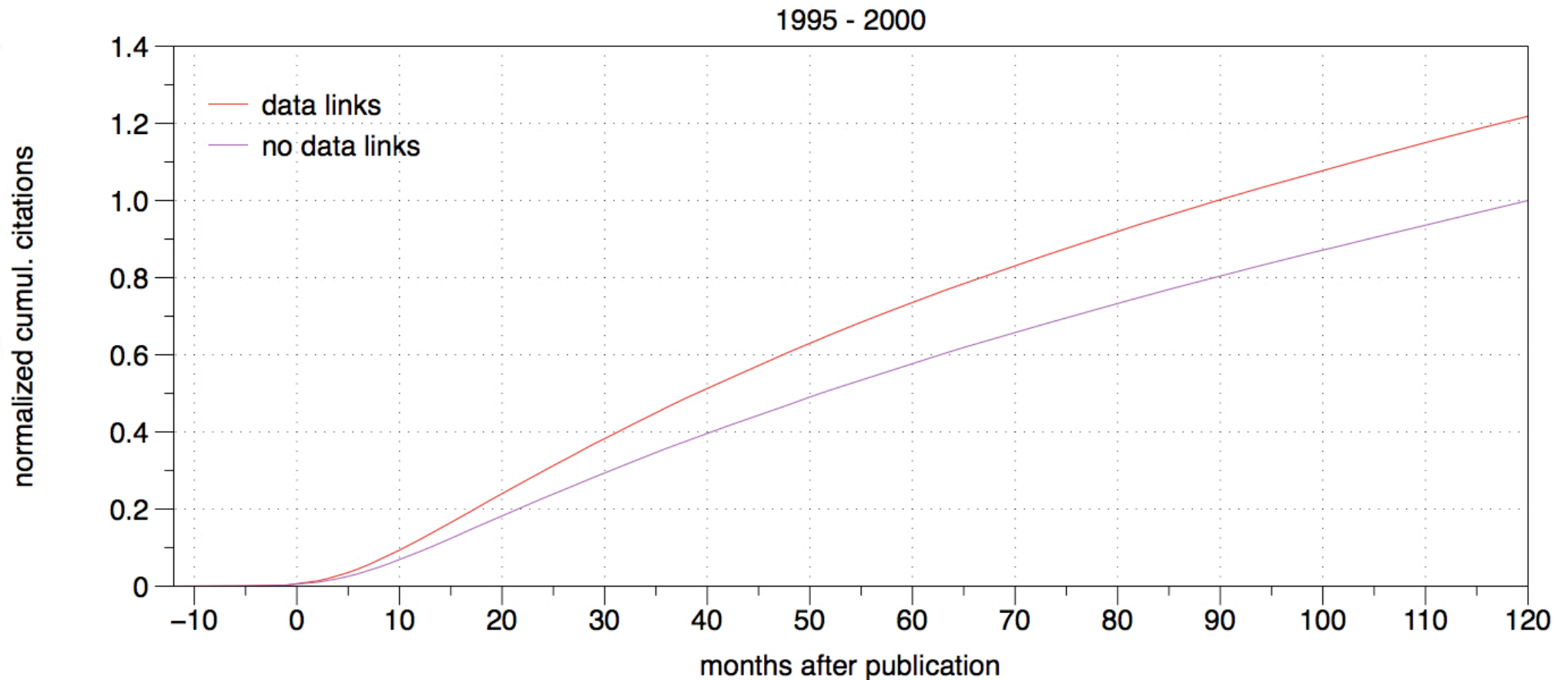
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Conclusions

- » **Reproducibility** is at the very heart of the scientific method
- » Improving **visibility** is key in order to avoid reinvention
- » Social **dimension of science** stressed in the discovery process
- » Highly specialized science needs **re-use** to achieve efficiency
- » In a digital world, publish decomposable **executable papers**
- » Capture provenance and structure in the **local desktop**
- » Scientific workflows **go beyond automation**: provide clarity and structure
- » **Transfer rate** is more than an issue for next generation of archives
- » The **move computing to data paradigm** -> back to old terminals
- » **Process** should benefit of the same privileges acquired by data
- » Digital libraries of **web-services-based workflows**
- » The distributed digital workflow-centric **Research Object**
- » **Preserving knowledge** - not only data or advertising