

A photograph of a rocky cliff face with a cave entrance. The rock is light brown and has many small holes or pockmarks. The cave entrance is dark and rectangular, with some wooden sticks or branches visible inside. The sky is blue.

Provenance, Workflows, and Reproducibility - *Cui Bono?*

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What's up on Day 1? *(evolving)*

- On DataONE (Bill M)
- On Provenance (yours truly)
- Status/overview of provenance tools (Matt J)
- Goals, agenda check (Dave V, Amber, Kyle B)
- *Break*
- Introductions come first (sort of)
- *Lunch*
- Tool demos & tutorials (hands-on!)
- ... *Day 2* ...

<https://github.com/DataONEorg/provathon-2017>

[#prov-a-thon](https://dataoneorg.slack.com)

A quick *Tour de Provenance*

- **Provenance**
 - ... *by whom, for whom, for what, how-to*
 - **Prospective** provenance (\approx scientific workflows)
 - **Retrospective** provenance (\approx runtime events, traces)
 - ➔ **Hybrid** provenance ...
- **Reproducibility & Transparency**
 - ... *of what and for what?*
- ... **projects**: DataONE, Whole Tale, SKOPE, ...
- ... **and tools**: recordR, YesWorkflow, WT
- My provenance:
CS/DB@{KIT,Freiburg} .. SDSC .. UC Davis ... {iSchool,NCSA,CS}@UIUC



Provenance: The Million \$\$\$ Question ..



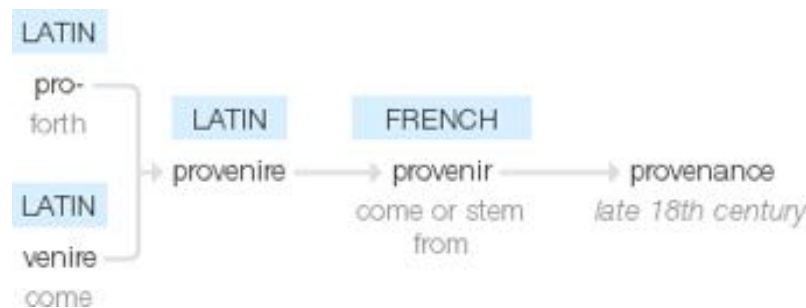
- One of these is has been sold for nearly \$180 million.
- The other *could* be worth as much or more.
- Which is which?
- What is the difference?

Provenance defined ...

- **Oxford English Dictionary**

- The **place of origin** or earliest **known history** of something:
 - *an orange rug of Iranian **provenance***
- The **beginning** of something's existence; its **origin**:
 - *they try to understand the whole universe, its **provenance** and fate*
- A **record of ownership** of a work of art or an antique, used as a guide to **authenticity** or **quality**:
 - *the manuscript has a distinguished **provenance***

- **Similar but different: *Provenience***



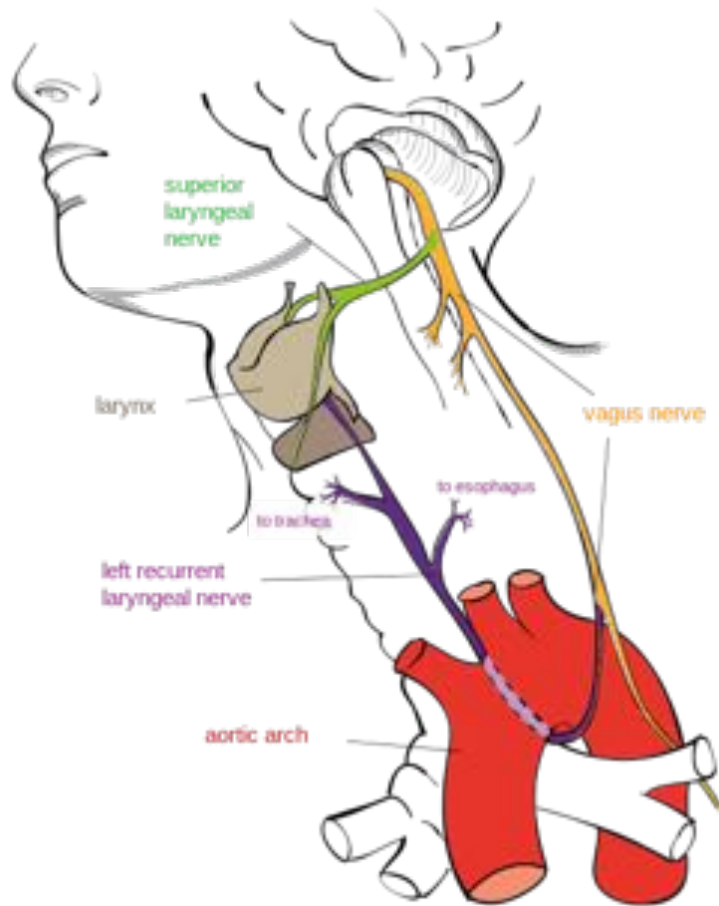
Provenance in the Science Sciences



- Can you “see provenance” in this image?
- Grand Canyon’s rock layers are a record of the early **geologic history** of North America. The ancestral puebloan granaries at Nankoweap Creek tell archaeologists about more recent **human history**. (By Drenaline, licensed under CC BY-SA 3.0)

Science Science: Biology & Natural History

*Provenance = **Understanding** what happened...*



Author: Jkwchui (Based on drawing by Truth-seeker2004)

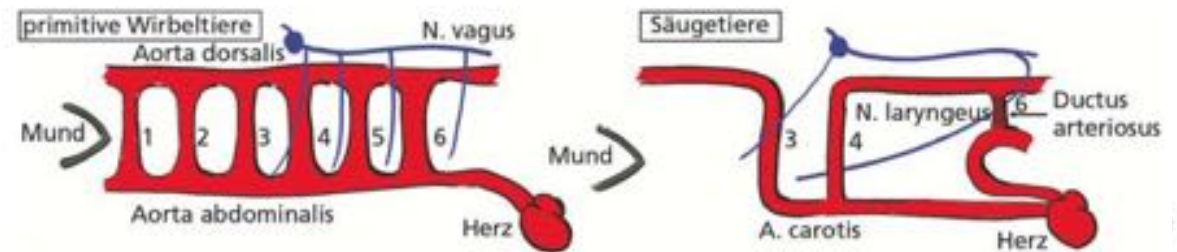
Zrzavý, Jan, David Storch, and Stanislav Mihulka. *Evolution: Ein Lese-Lehrbuch*. Springer-Verlag, 2009.



5.17 Suboptimale evolutionäre Konstruktionslösung:

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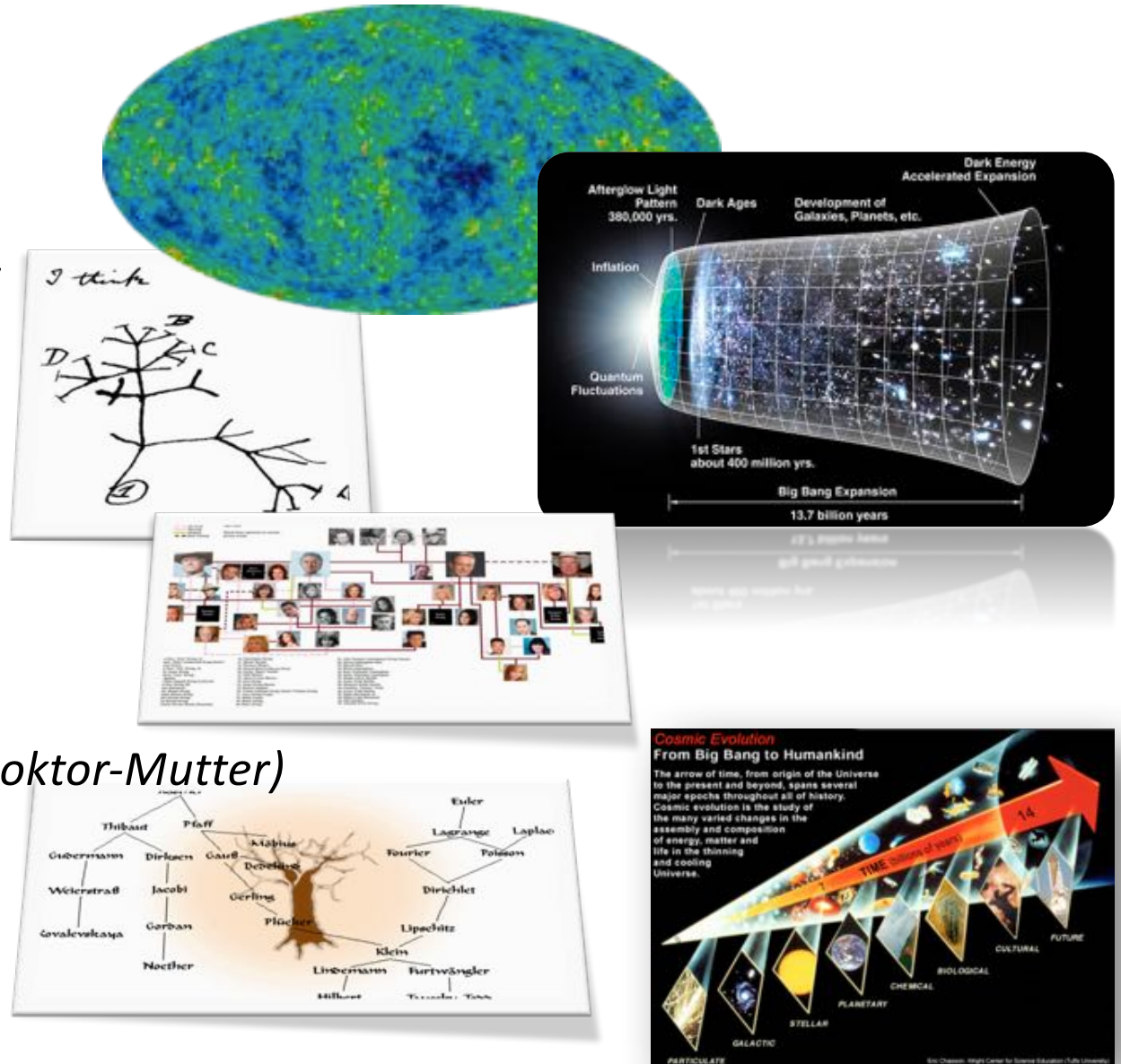
5 Adaptation



5.16 Evolution der Schleife des rückläufigen Kehlkopfnerve (Nervus laryngeus recurrens) der Wirbeltiere. Dieser Nerv stellt den vierten Ast des Nervus vagus dar. Bei ursprünglichen Wassertieren sandte der Vagusnerv seine Äste zu den Kiemenarterien, die die Bauch- und die Rückenaorta verbanden. Während der Phylogenese der Wirbeltiere haben sich allerdings die Kiemenbögen und mit ihnen auch die Kiemenarterien verändert und das Herz wurde nach kaudal verschoben. Aus der sechsten Arterie wurde bei den Säugetieren der Ductus arteriosus; der vierte Ast des Vagus, der heute den Kehlkopf (Larynx) innerviert, liegt stets *hinter* der ehemaligen sechsten Arterie, also hinter dem Ductus arteriosus. Daher führt dieser Nerv vom Gehirn aus nach hinten, windet sich unter dem Ductus hindurch und kehrt nach vorne zurück, um den Larynx zu innervieren.

Provenance in Science- Sciences Palooza

- What are those?
- *Cosmology*
- *Geology, Stratigraphy*
- *Phylogeny*
 - the *Tree of Life*
- *Genealogy*
 - your family: literally
- *Academic Pedigree*
 - “Doktorvater” (oder Doktor-Mutter)
- *Etymology*
- *Chain of custody*
 - of art(ifacts)
- Yes: all about **origins** and **history** ...



All Science is ...

- ... physics or stamp collecting
- ... ~~physics or stamp collecting~~ **provenance!**
- **Provenance as ...**
 - *evidence* (in science ... computational science...)
 - *explanation* (in science ... computational science ..)
- As we discuss, work with tools, ask ...
 - ... is this for provenance *recording*?
 - ... is this for (method, ...) *explaining*?
 - ... *by* whom?
 - ... *for* whom?

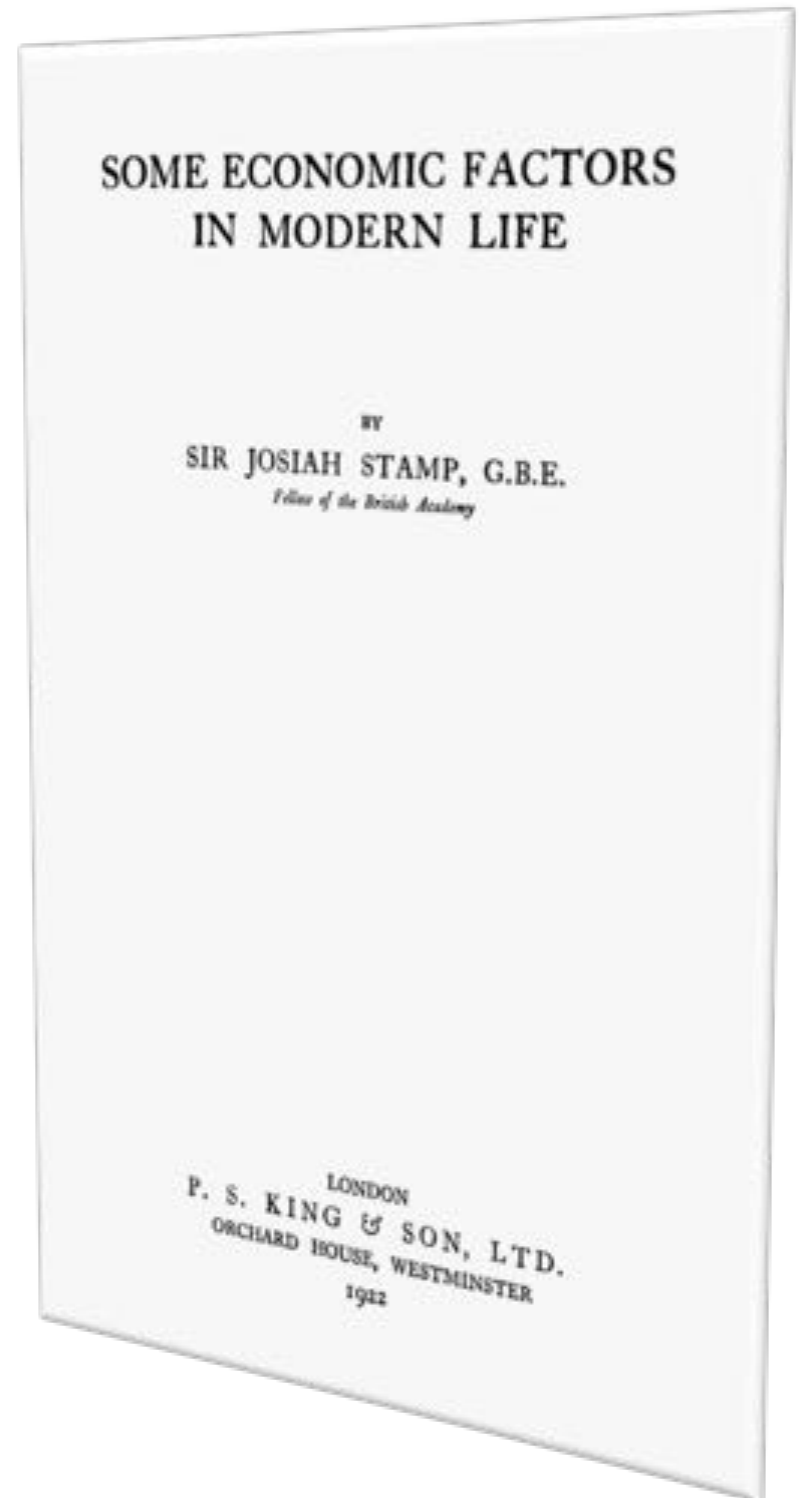
Why provenance?

- ... to *document* what happened
- ... to *understand* what happened
- ... to *explain* what happened
- ... to *anticipate* what (might/will) happen?



... never forget ...

- *"The government are very keen on amassing statistics. They collect them, add them, raise them to the n^{th} power, take the cube root and prepare wonderful diagrams. But you must never forget that every one of these figures comes in the first instance from the village watchman, who just puts down what he damn pleases."*

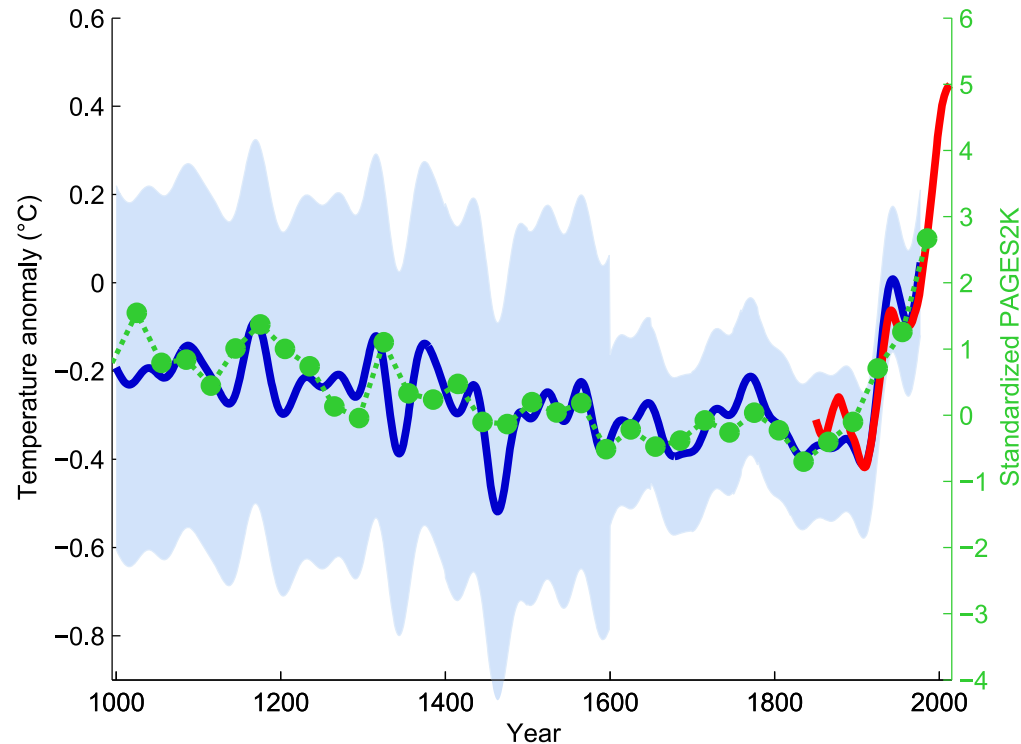


Computational Provenance defined ...

- **Origin and processing history of an artifact**
 - usually: **data (products)**, figures, ...
 - sometimes: **workflow** (and script) evolution ...
- Different sub-communities:
 - Provenance in **(scientific) workflows** ...
 - Provenance in **databases** ...
 - ... and of course there is more:
 - ... programming languages, systems/security, ...
 - ... information science, archival science, diplomatics
 - ... **science science!**

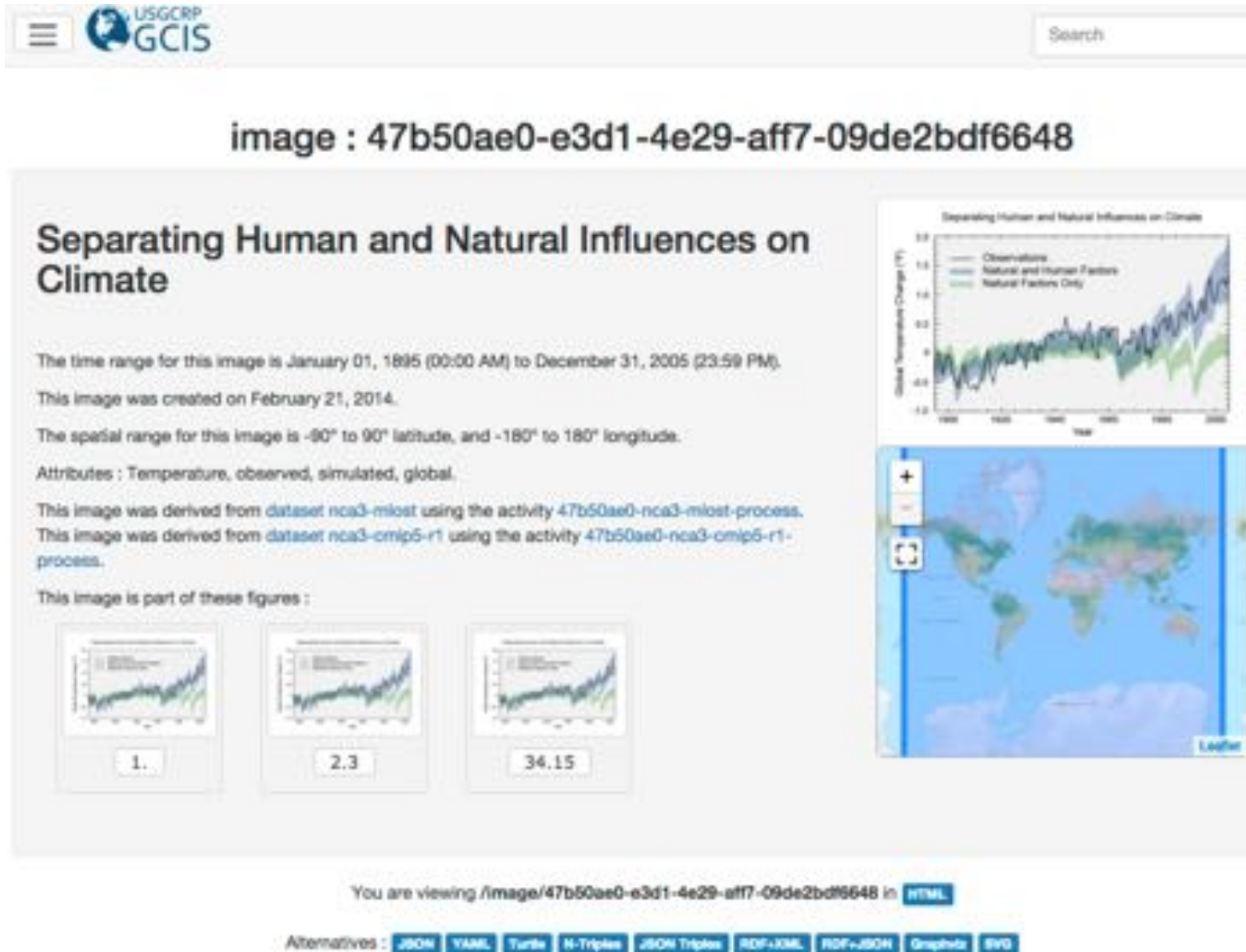
Using Provenance for Transparency, Reproducibility

- What **input data** went into this study?
- What **methods** were used?
- ... with what **parameter** settings, **calibrations**, ...?
- Can we **trust** the data and methods?



- **Provenance** (*lineage*): track **origin** and **processing history** of data → trust, data quality ~ audit trail for attribution, credit
- **Discovery** of data, methodologies, experiments

Climate Change: Whodunnit?



Tracing the sources (data, code)

Texas Summer 2011: Record Heat and Drought

Cooperative Institute for Climate and Satellites - NC

Laura Stevens

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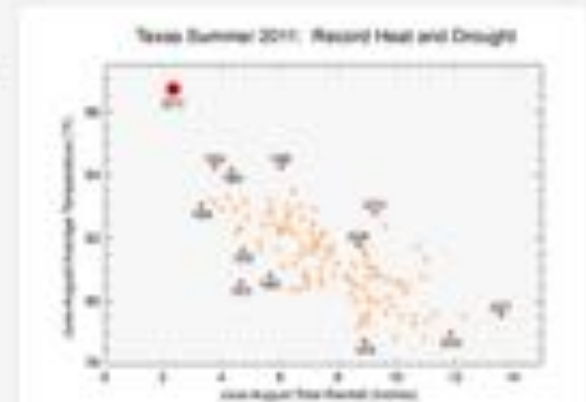
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The spatial range for this image is 25.83° to 36.50° latitude, and -106.66° to -93.52° longitude.

Attributes : Temperature, precipitation, observed, Texas.

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data and "code" / method linked

alt formats

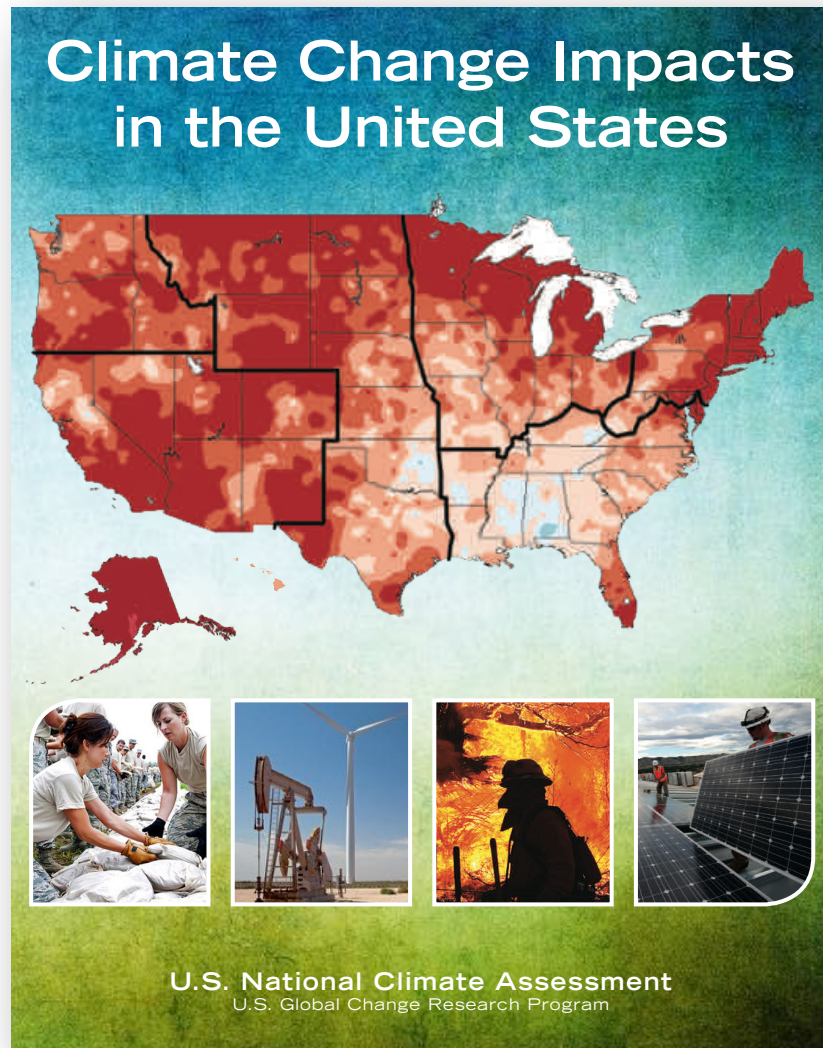
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Alternatives : [JSON](#) [YAML](#) [Turtle](#) [N-Triples](#) [JSON-Triples](#) [RDF/XML](#) [RDF/JSON](#) [Graphviz](#) [SVG](#)



GlobalChange.gov

Provenance today: **Important but *hard***



“This report is the result of a **three-year** analytical effort by a team of **over 300 experts**, overseen by a broadly constituted Federal Advisory Committee of **60 members**. It was developed from information and analyses gathered in over 70 workshops and listening sessions held across the country.”

➔ many research projects, groups conduct R&D on provenance methods, tools, ...

Example: **DataONE**

A scientific data federation: **DataONE** **Data** Observation **N**etwork for **E**arth

The screenshot displays the DataONE Search web application. The top navigation bar includes links for About, News, Participate, Resources, Education, and Data. Below this is a search bar with the text "DataONE SEARCH" and a "Search" button. To the right of the search bar are links for "Summary", "Jump to: DOI or ID", and "Go". Further right are "Sign in" and "Sign up" buttons.

The main content area is divided into two columns. The left column contains a "Filter by:" section with various filters: "Data attribute", "Data files", "Member Node", "Cornell Lab of Ornithology - a...", "Dryad Digital Repository", "EDAC Gator Repository", "ESA Data Registry", "Show 28 more", "Creator", "Year", "Identifier", "Taxon", and "Location".

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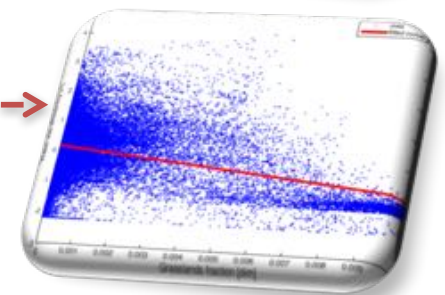
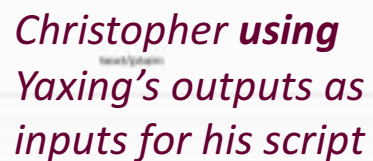
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Provenance in Action: Benefits & Impact

The screenshot shows a DataONE search interface. At the top, there is a search bar with the text "Search phrase" and a magnifying glass icon. To the right of the search bar is a "Sort by" dropdown menu set to "Most recent". Below the search bar is a "My Search" section with a search term "grass" and a close button. To the left of the search results is a "Filter by:" section with several filter options: "Data attribute", "Data files", "Member Node", "Creator", and "Year". The search results are displayed in a list. The first result is by Christopher Schwalm, 2016, titled "Grassland Water Use Efficiency (WUE) Analysis: Run of GrasslandWUE.m on 20160317T154050. MN Demo 2. metadata_07277c1f-b2c2-467c-8aa2-792863524a21.xml". The second result is by Yaxing Wei, 2016, titled "MsTMIP: C3 C4 soil map processing: Run of C3_C4_map_present_NA_with_comments.m on 20160311T181011. MN Demo 2. metadata_e859d2dd-c5e6-4ec6-892f-1b00bb6f8f65.xml". Both results have a red circle around the provenance icon (a stylized 'P' with a branch) and a red dashed arrow pointing to it.

A DataONE search (here: “grass”) yields different packages with provenance

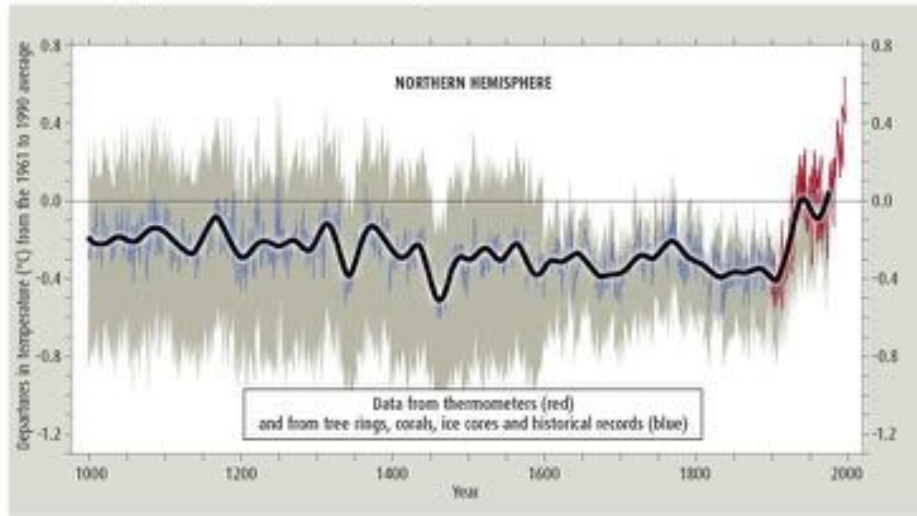
DataONE
On Provenance



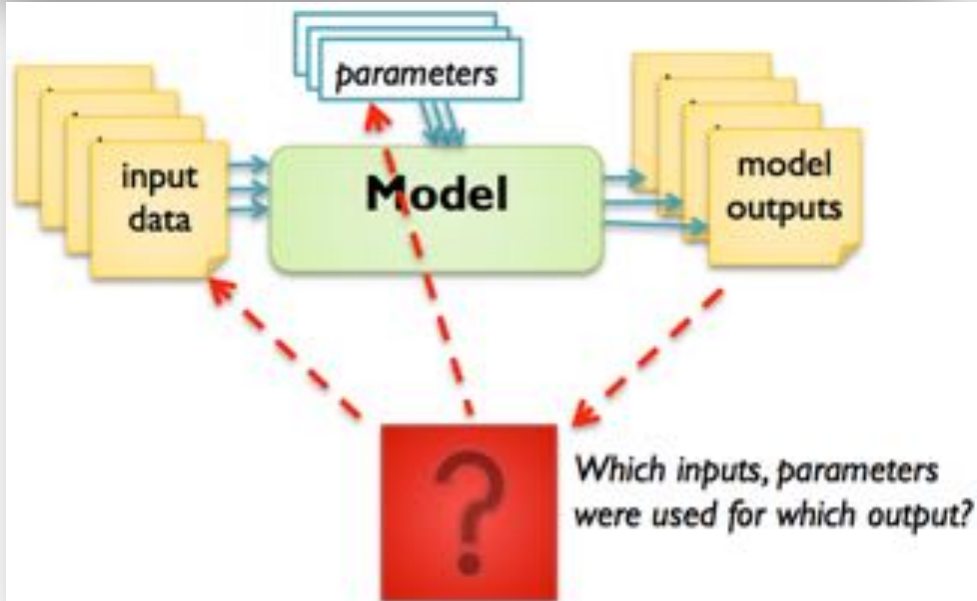
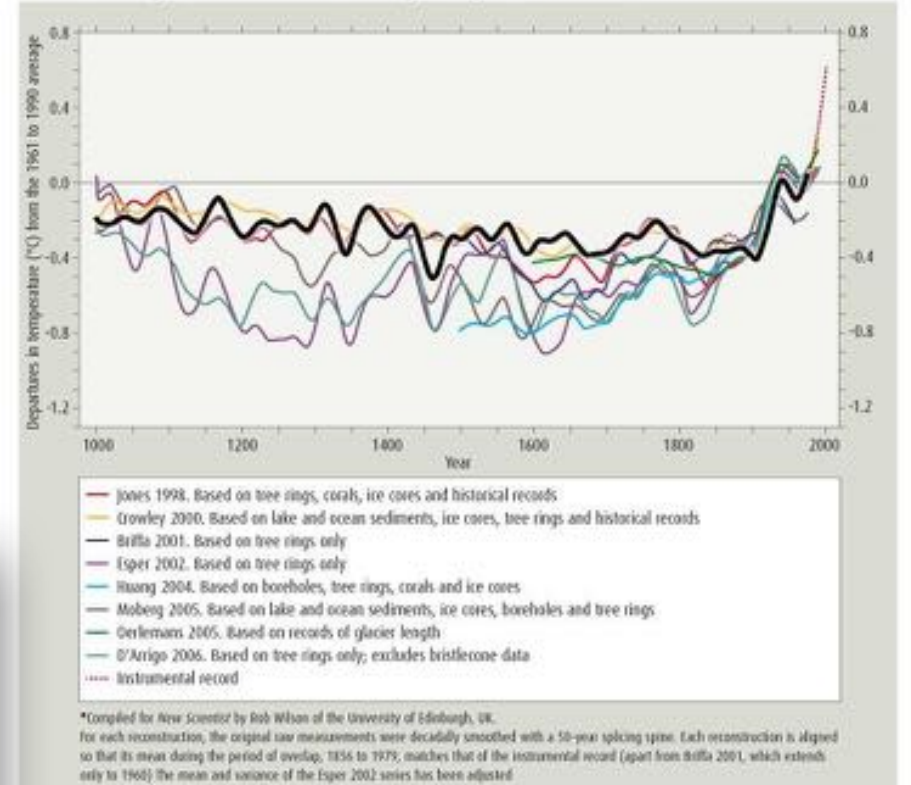
REWIND: From Provenance to Reproducible Science ...

THE HOCKEY STICK: THE ORIGINAL AND LATER VERSIONS

The 2001 IPCC version: "Variations of the Earth's surface temperature over the past 1000 years"
The error bars (in grey) show the 95 per cent confidence range

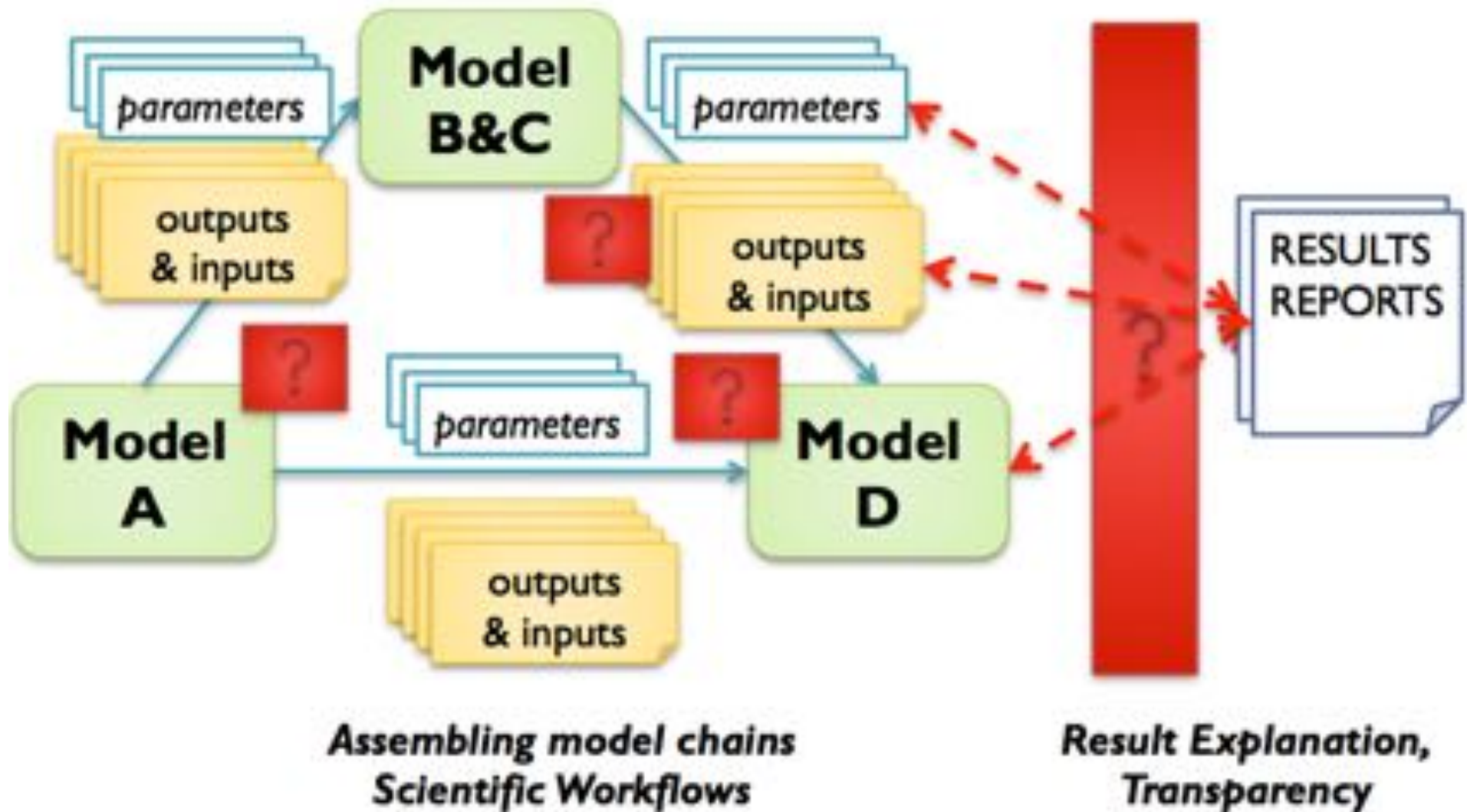


The IPCC version compared with some other northern hemisphere temperature reconstructions*



Capturing **provenance** is crucial for
transparency, interpretation, debugging, ...
=> *repeatable experiments*,
=> *reproducible science*
=> *need workflow-system agnostic model*

... via scientific workflows (... and scripts)



Tour Stop: Scientific Workflows: **ASAP**

- **Automation**

- wfs to **automate** computational aspects of science

- **Scaling** (exploit and optimize *machine* cycles)

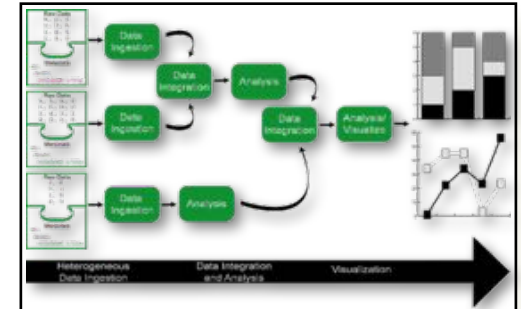
- wfs should make use of **parallel compute resources**
- wfs should be able handle **large data**

- **Abstraction, Evolution, Reuse** (*human* cycles)

- wfs should be easy to (re-)use, evolve, share

- **Provenance**

- wfs should capture **processing history, data lineage**
- ➔ traceable data- and wf-evolution
- ➔ **Reproducible Science**

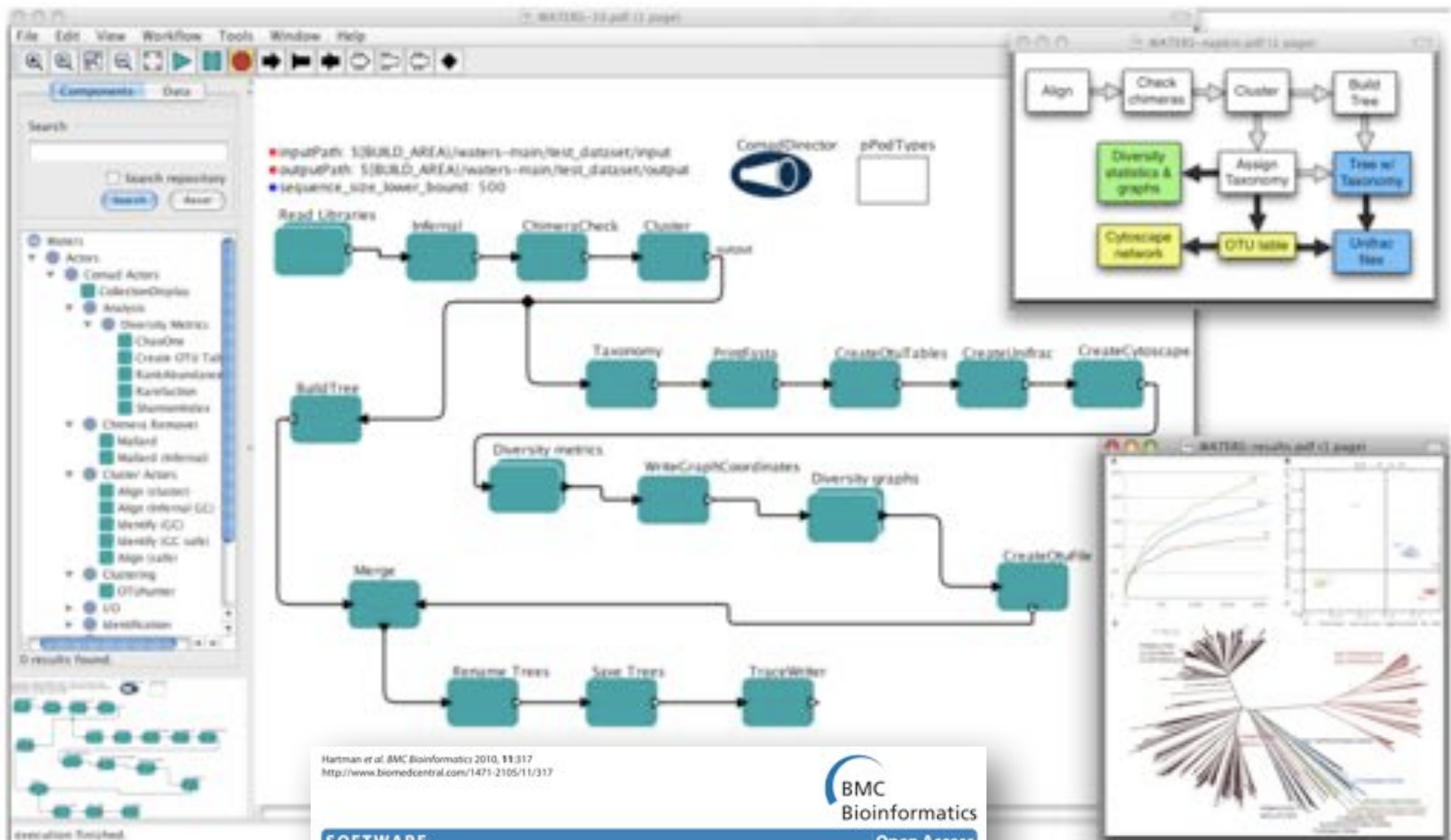


WINGS



Trident
Workbench
Es war einmal ...

Executable WATERS Workflow in Kepler



Hartman et al. BMC Bioinformatics 2010, 11:317
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2105/11/317>

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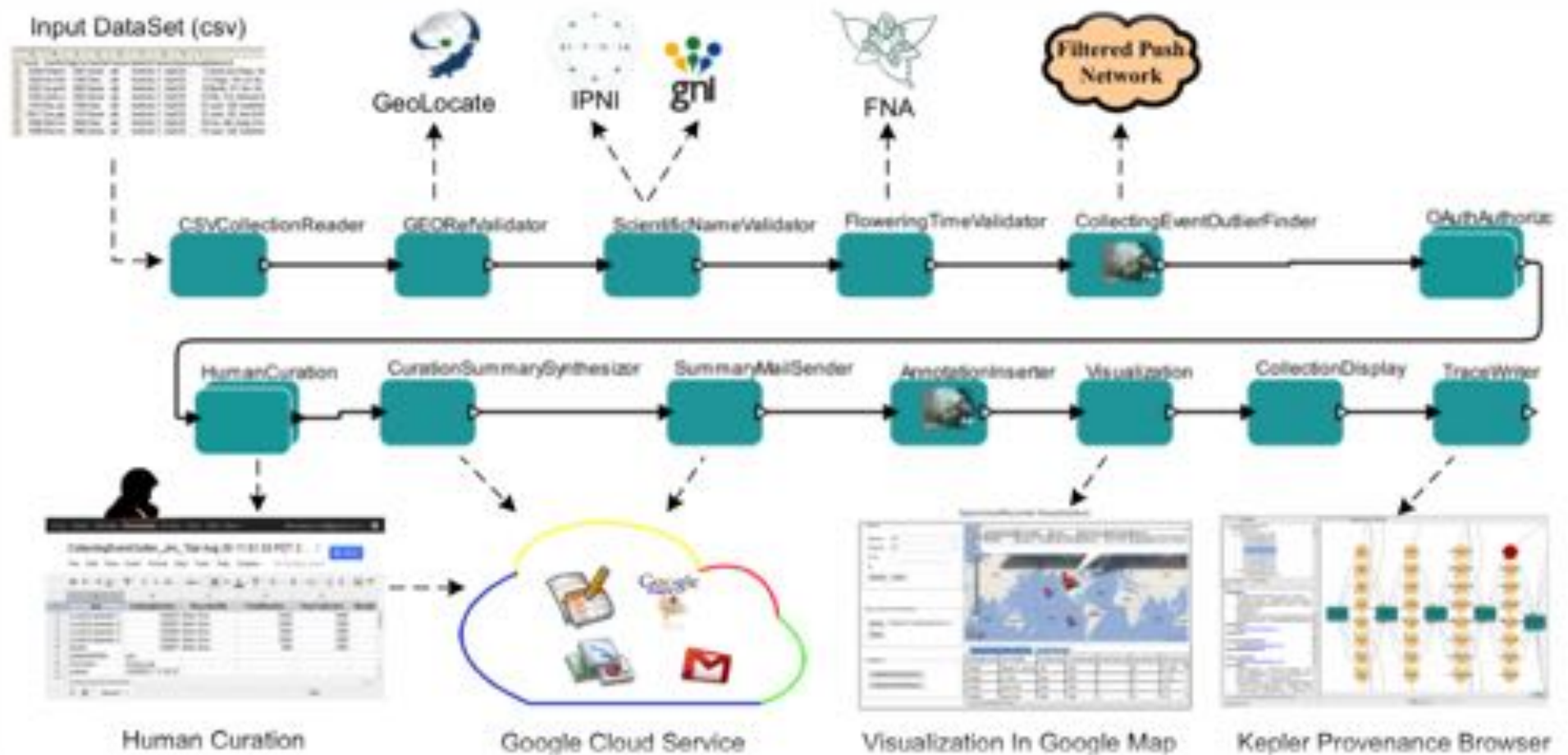
SOFTWARE

Introducing W.A.T.E.R.S.: a Workflow for the Alignment, Taxonomy, and Ecology of Ribosomal Sequences

Amber L. Hartman^{1,3}, Sean Riddle^{1,2}, Timothy McPhillips², Bertram Ludäscher² and Jonathan A. Eisen^{*1}

Data Curation Workflows

(Filtered-Push ... Kepler ... Kurator projects)



MUSEUM OF COMPARATIVE ZOOLOGY



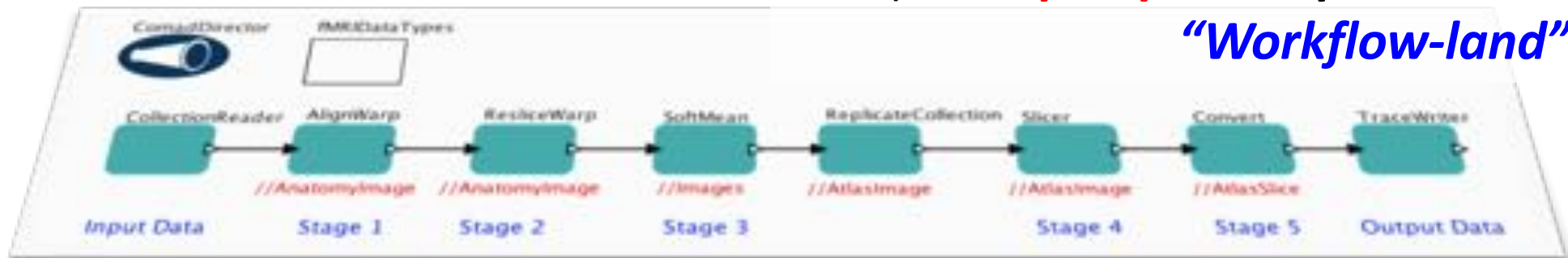
HARVARD UNIVERSITY On Provenance



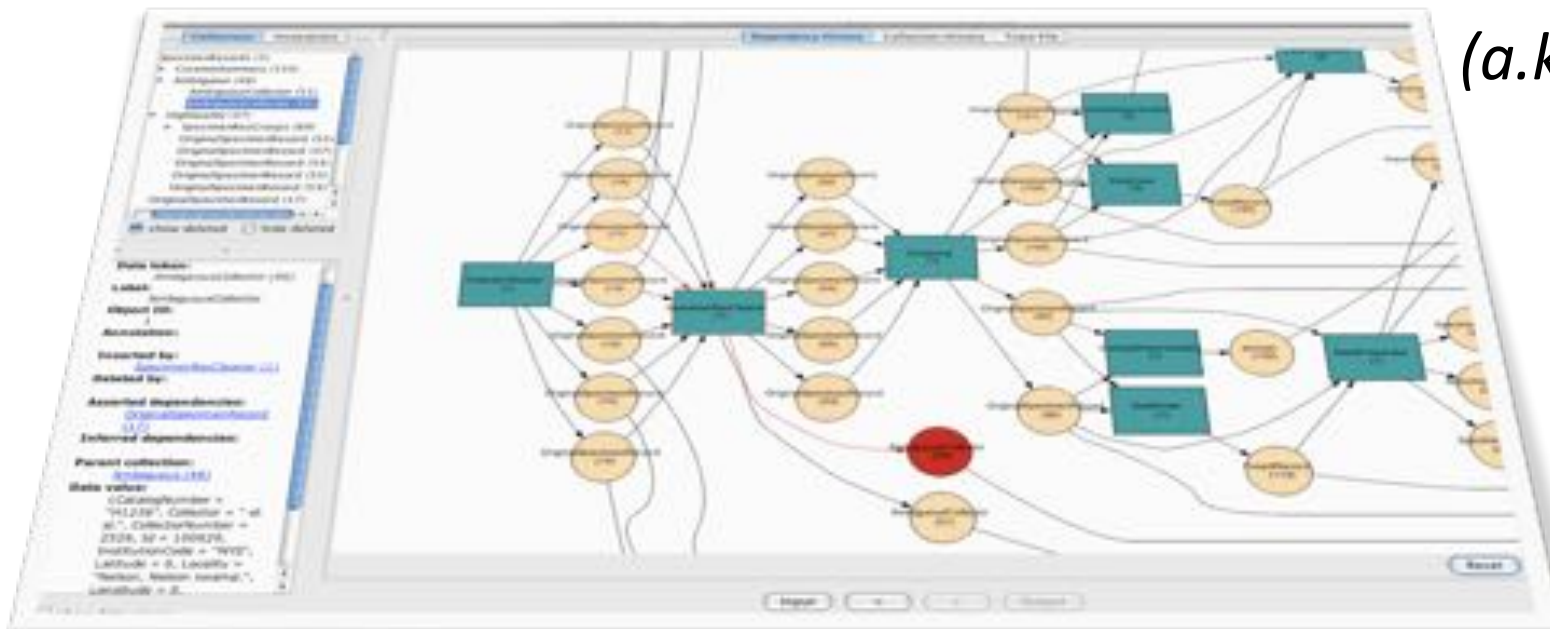
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Provenance ⇔ Workflows

Workflow Modeling & Design
(a.k.a. **prospective** provenance
“Workflow-land”)



Runtime Provenance
(a.k.a. traces, logs,
retrospective
provenance,
“Trace-land”)



(Transfer station to any of several other “standard extensions”)

“Trace-Land” (retrospective provenance)

The diagram shows a complex set of relationships between classes. Key classes include User, Execution, «Entity», «Collections», «Associations», «Usage», «Generations», Controller, Program, Port, Workflow, and Channel. Relationships are defined with roles and cardinalities, such as «wasAssociatedWith» between User and Execution, «wasGeneratedBy» between Execution and «Entity», and «qualifiedUsage» between Execution and «Usage».

“Data-Land”

“Workflow-Land” (prospective prov.)

“Workflow-Land” (prospective prov.)

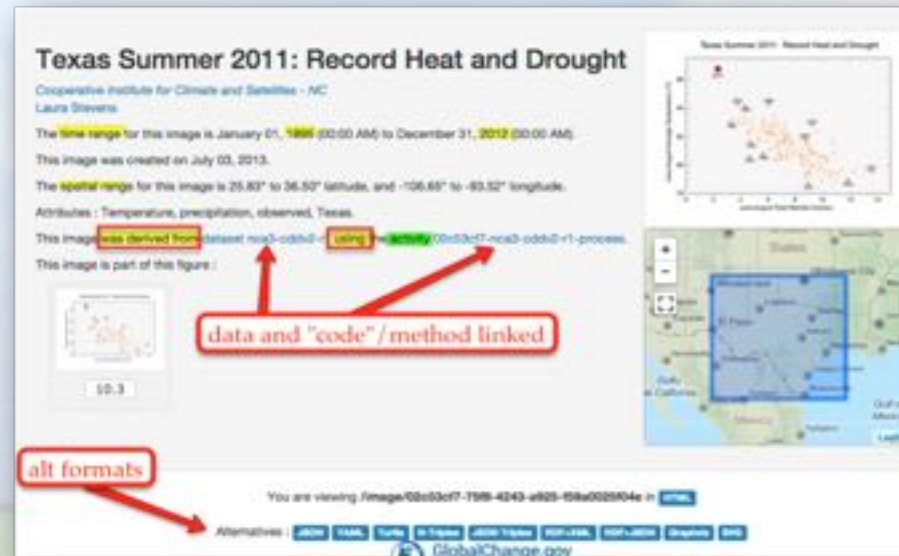
Also: OPM-W (G & G et al), others

But ... how to prime the provenance pump??

Must support “**Provenance for Self**” !



**Provenance
for Self?!**



**Provenance
for Others**

- ✓ Provenance **capture** (Matlab, R, Python, ... scientific workflow systems)
- ✓ Uploading, **sharing, linking** provenance through various provenance tools
- ✗ Tools for scientists to **exploit** (\neq capture, share, link) **provenance for their own day-to-day work.**
- ➔ Prime the provenance pump and **increase provenance generation**
- ➔ Scientists **accelerate their work via new, active uses of provenance.**

From Workflows & Provenance to Provenance for Script-based Workflows ...

- What workflow tools are (most) scientists using?
 - Workflow systems
 - ... vs scripts (Python, R, MATLAB, ...)
- What provenance tools are their?
 - Workflow system support
 - Tools for “workflow” scripts!?

SKOPE: Synthesized Knowledge Of Past Environments

Bocinsky, Kohler *et al.* study rain-fed maize of **Anasazi**

- Four Corners; AD 600–1500. **Climate change** influenced **Mesa Verde Migrations**; late 13th century AD. Uses **network of tree-ring chronologies** to **reconstruct a spatio-temporal climate** field at a fairly high resolution (~800 m) from AD 1–2000. Algorithm estimates joint information in tree-rings and a climate signal to identify “best” tree-ring chronologies for climate reconstructing.

K. Bocinsky, T. Kohler, A 2000-year reconstruction of the rain-fed maize agricultural niche in the US Southwest. *Nature Communications*. doi:10.1038/ncomms6618

```
203 # Gene Ontology Statistics are Calculated Here.
204
205 # Gene Ontology Categories that were shown to be relatively higher (more expressed) in the Experimental Condition.
206 gostatshigher <- higheridlinkedtogenes[1]
207 higherstatsfilename <- paste(outputDirectory, "/", runName, "_", conditions[1], "_GOSTatshigher_", mytestcond[1], ".")
208 write.table(gostatshigher, file=higherstatsfilename, row.names=FALSE, col.names=FALSE, quote=FALSE, sep="\t")
209 genelisthigherCHR <- gostatshigher$SYMBOL
210 genelisthigherlinkedtoEntrezIds <- select(hg133plus2.db, keys= genelisthigherCHR, "ENTREZID", "SYMBOL")
211 GOSTatsGenesH <- genelisthigherlinkedtoEntrezIds[,2]
212
213 x <- org.Hs.egACCNUM
214 mapped_genes <- mappedkeys(x)
215 xx <- as.list(x[mapped_genes])
216 geneUniverse <- (unique(names(xx)))
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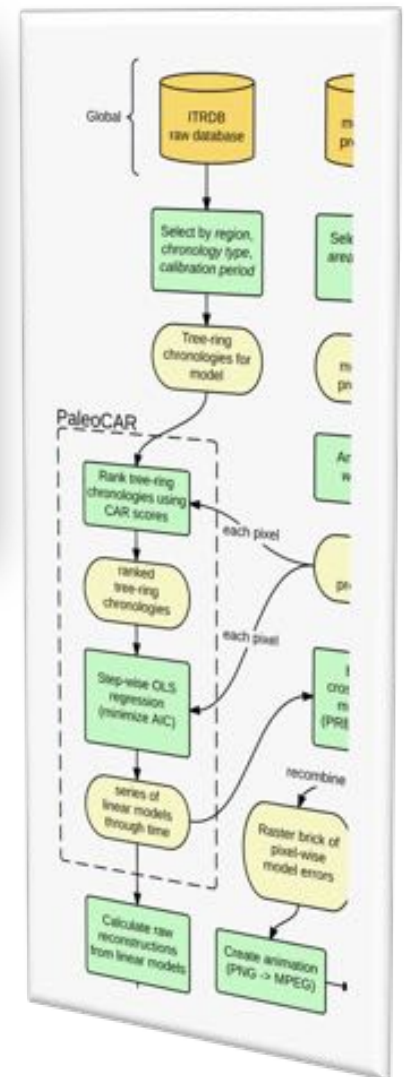
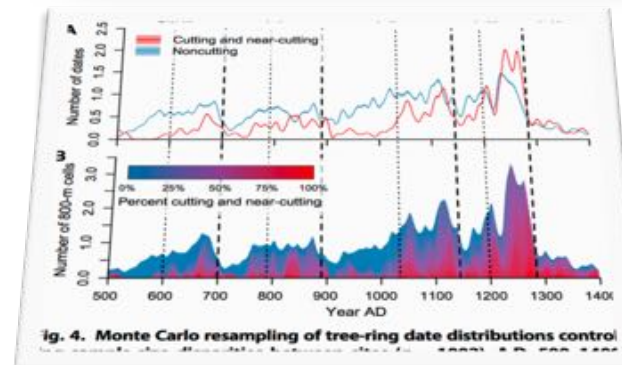
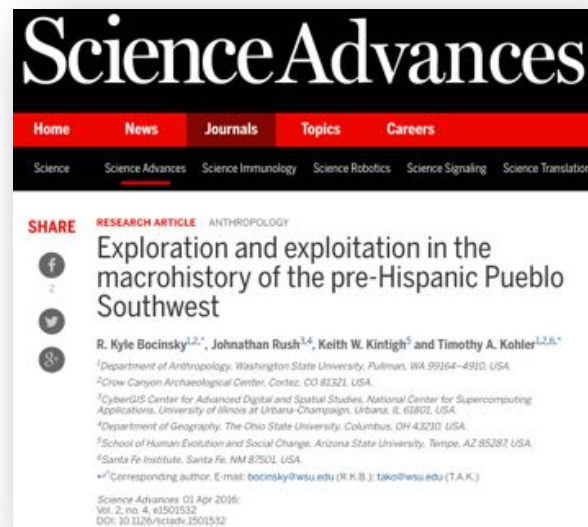
... implemented as an R Script ...

Provenance Support for Reproducible Science

Example: Paleoclimate Reconstruction

Science paper (OA) uses:

- open source code:
 - R, PaleoCAR, ...
- Is that all we need?
- What was the “workflow”?
- Is there prospective and/or retrospective provenance?



YesWorkflow:

Yes, scripts are workflows, too!



• **Script** vs Workflows/**ASAP**:

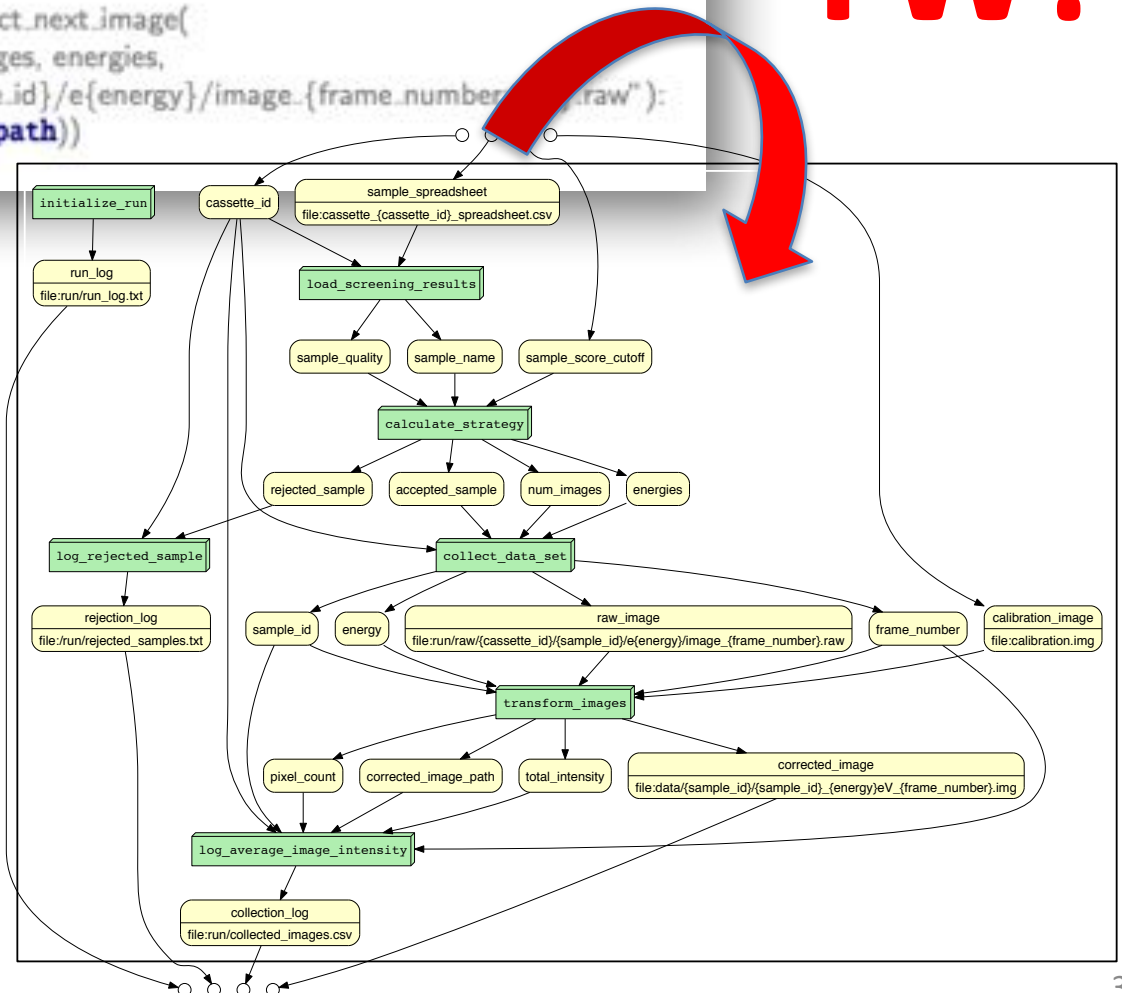
- **A**utomation: *****
- **S**caling: **
- **A**bstraction: *
- **P**rovenance: **

YesWorkflow: Prospective & Retrospective Provenance ... (almost) for free!

```
# @BEGIN collect_data_set
# @PARAM cassette_id @PARAM accepted_sample @PARAM num_images @PARAM energies
# @OUT sample_id @OUT energy @OUT frame_number
# @OUT raw_image_path @AS raw_image
# @URI file:run/raw/{cassette_id}/{sample_id}/e{energy}/image_{frame_number}.raw
run_log.write("Collecting data set for sample {0}".format(accepted_sample))
sample_id = accepted_sample
for energy, frame_number, intensity, raw_image_path in collect_next_image(
    cassette_id, sample_id, num_images, energies,
    "run/raw/{cassette_id}/{sample_id}/e{energy}/image_{frame_number}.raw"):
    run_log.write("Collecting image {0}".format(raw_image_path))
# @END collect_data_set
```

YW!

- YW annotations in the script (R, Python, Matlab) are used to **recreate the workflow view** from the script ...



Paleoclimate Reconstruction (openSKOPE.org)

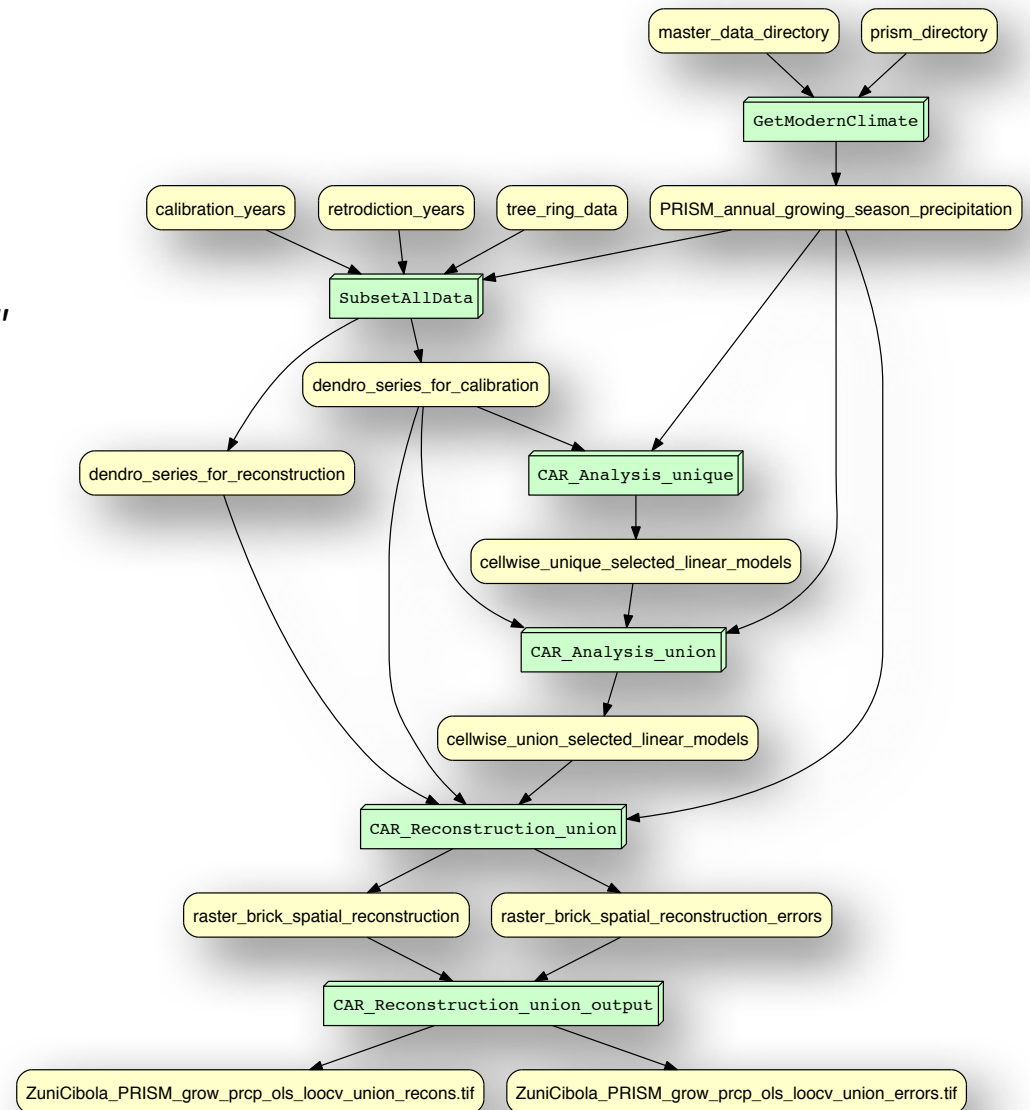
- ... explained using **YesWorkflow!**

Kyle B., (computational) archaeologist:
"It took me about 20 minutes to comment. Less than an hour to learn and YW-annotate, all-told."



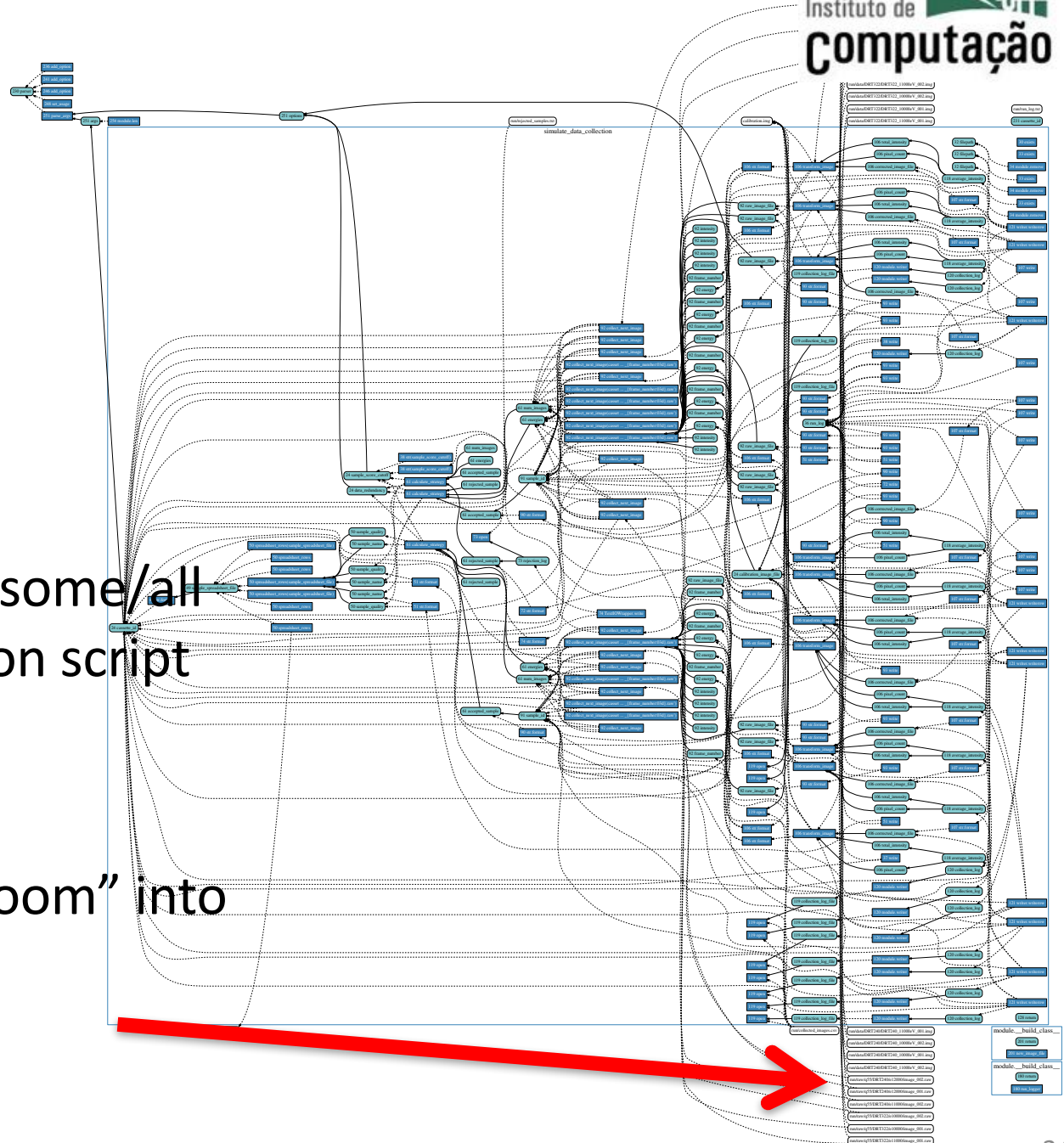
SKOPE + **Kurator**
+ **DataONE**
Data Observation Network for Earth

=> **YesWorkflow.org**
On Provenance

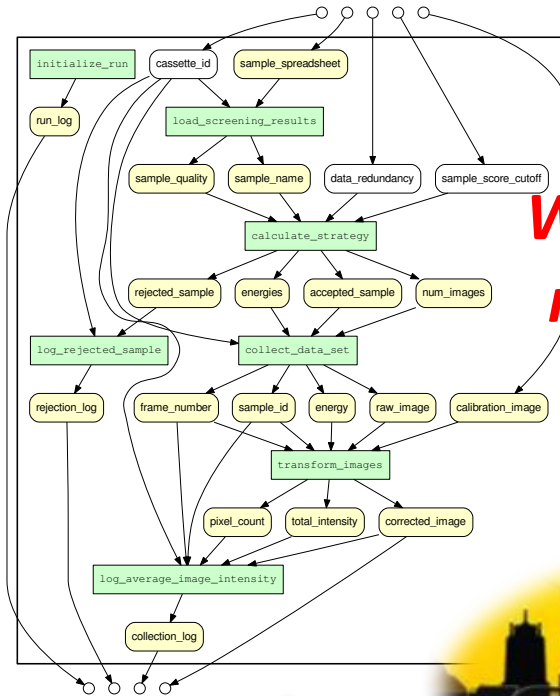


noWorkflow: not only Workflow!

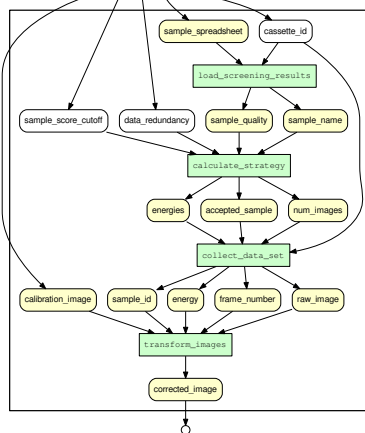
- **Transparently** capture some/all provenance from Python script runs.
- Use filter **queries** to “zoom” into relevant parts ..



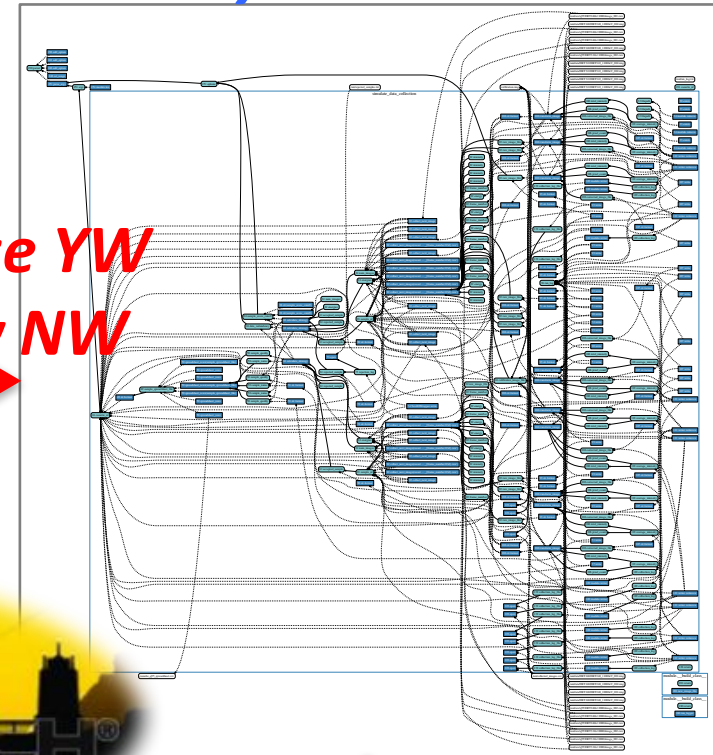
YesWorkflow: Conceptual workflow model



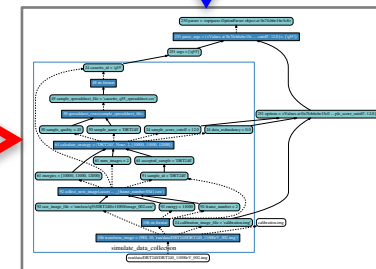
lineage query



noWorkflow: Python trace model



lineage query



Would like to use YW
model to query NW
data!

But how do we
bridge this gap???

Habemus Pons!

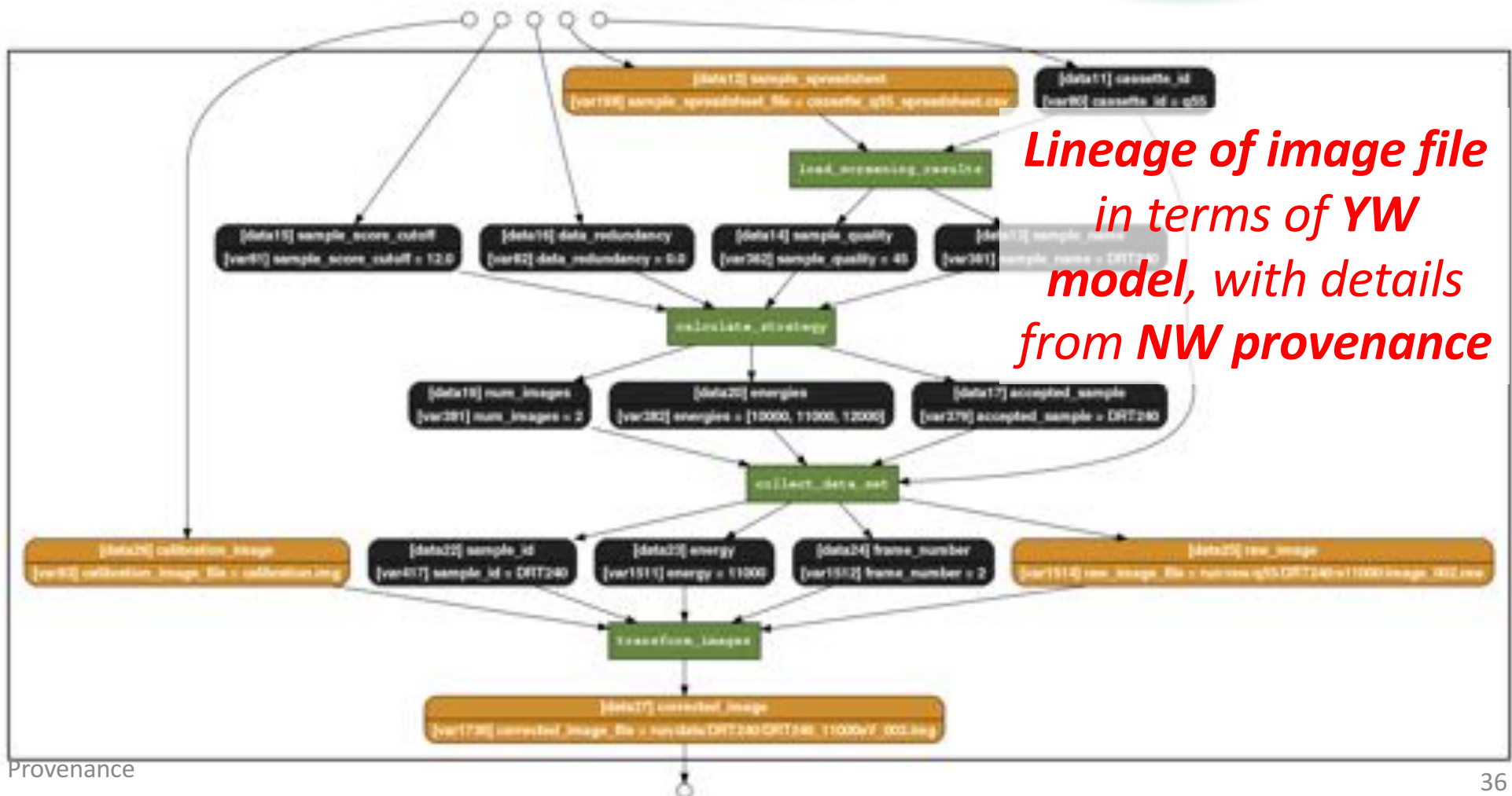
We've got the Bridge!

The bridge is the journey..

(The journey is the destination)

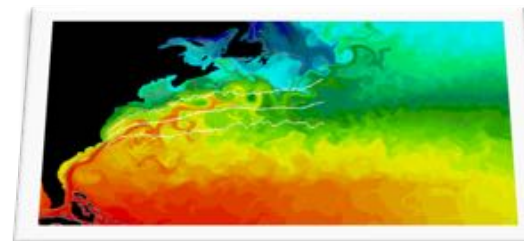
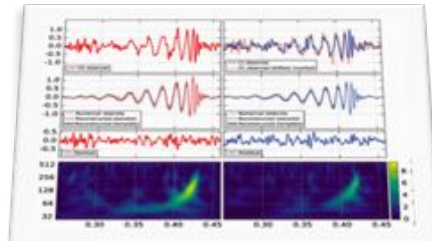
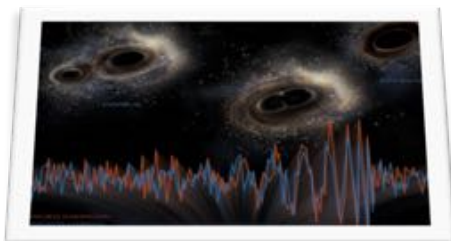


*Lineage of image file
in terms of YW
model, with details
from NW provenance*

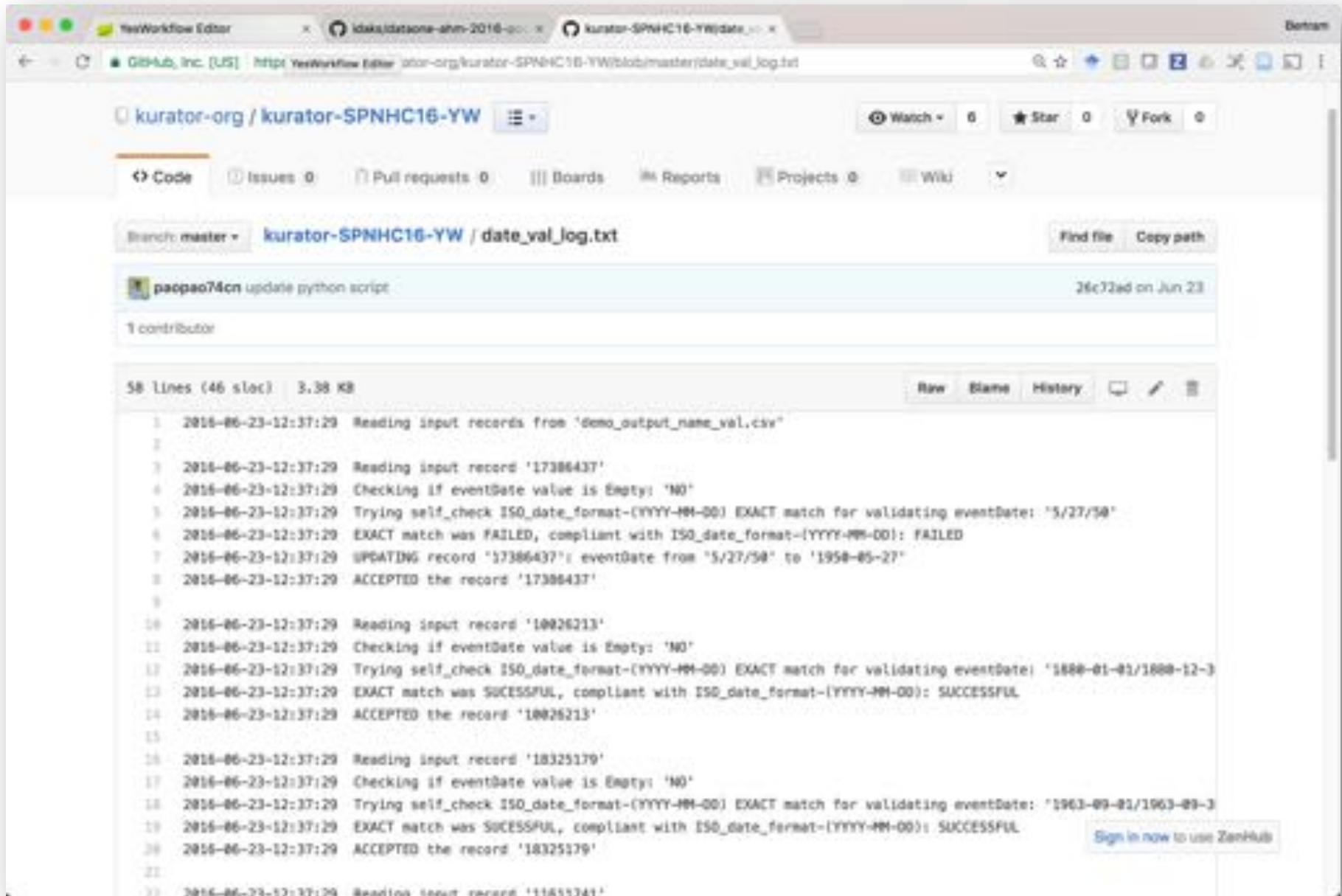


YW-IDCC'17 Demo Use Cases

Domain	Use case	Programming language	Provenance methods
Climate science	C3C4	MATLAB	YW + MATLAB RunManager
Astrophysics	LIGO	Python	YW + NW (code-level)
Protein crystal samples	Simulate data collection	Python	YW + NW (code-level)
Biodiversity data curation	kurator-SPNHC	Python	YW-recon + YW-logging
Social network analysis	Twitter	Python	YW + NW (file-level)
Oceanography	OHIBC Howe Sound (multi-run multi-script)	R	YW + R RunManager



Finer-grained Provenance: User Log Files!



The screenshot shows a web browser displaying a GitHub repository page for `kurator-SPNHC16-YW`. The file `date_val_log.txt` is selected, showing its commit history and content. The log file contains a series of timestamped entries (all from 2016-06-23 12:37:29) detailing the processing of input records. Each entry includes a record ID, a check for an empty eventDate, a validation attempt using `self_check ISO_date_format`, and the final outcome (ACCEPTED or FAILED).

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58 Lines (46 slocl) 3.38 KB
1 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Reading input records from 'demo_output_name_val.csv'
2
3 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Reading input record '17386437'
4 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Checking if eventDate value is Empty: 'NO'
5 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Trying self_check ISO_date_format-(YYYY-MM-DD) EXACT match for validating eventDate: '5/27/58'
6 2016-06-23-12:37:29 EXACT match was FAILED, compliant with ISO_date_format-(YYYY-MM-DD): FAILED
7 2016-06-23-12:37:29 UPDATING record '17386437': eventDate from '5/27/58' to '1958-05-27'
8 2016-06-23-12:37:29 ACCEPTED the record '17386437'
9
10 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Reading input record '10026213'
11 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Checking if eventDate value is Empty: 'NO'
12 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Trying self_check ISO_date_format-(YYYY-MM-DD) EXACT match for validating eventDate: '1888-01-01/1888-12-3'
13 2016-06-23-12:37:29 EXACT match was SUCCESSFUL, compliant with ISO_date_format-(YYYY-MM-DD): SUCCESSFUL
14 2016-06-23-12:37:29 ACCEPTED the record '10026213'
15
16 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Reading input record '18325179'
17 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Checking if eventDate value is Empty: 'NO'
18 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Trying self_check ISO_date_format-(YYYY-MM-DD) EXACT match for validating eventDate: '1963-09-01/1963-09-3'
19 2016-06-23-12:37:29 EXACT match was SUCCESSFUL, compliant with ISO_date_format-(YYYY-MM-DD): SUCCESSFUL
20 2016-06-23-12:37:29 ACCEPTED the record '18325179'
21
22 2016-06-23-12:37:29 Reading input record '11651241'
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Reproducibility: (yesterday's discussion cont'd)

- What **questions** should we ask?
 - What **queries** should we enable?
 - **Cui bono?** (others, publishers, ... ?)
 - **Provenance-for-Self** vs Provenance-for-others
 - **Reproducibility-for-Self** vs Reproducibility-for-others
 - For key terms, e.g., Carole's
 - ... rerun, repeat, replicate, reproduce, reuse, ...
 - .. ask “**what information/insight do I gain from reproducing, repeating, replicating... ?**”
 - *What is fixed and what does the study vary?*
- => **R**esearch **O**bjective, **M**ethod/Algorithm, **I**mplementation,
Platform/Environment, **A**ctors/People, input **D**ata (params, raw data)

Reproducibility Crisis (*reprised*)

- **Successful** reproducibility study:
 - increases trust in prior study 😊
 - ... but **no surprises** 😞
- **Failed** reproducibility study :
 - decreases trust (or *falsifies*) prior study 😞
 - ... but **surprising** failure yields **new info/knowledge** 😊
- Learning from failures!
 - Not really a new, revolutionary idea..
 - What is a positive vs negative result anyways?
 - ... *fail early, fail often* ...

PRIMAD (*what have you “primed”?*)

6.1.2 The PRIMAD Model

As a starting point, we defined a preliminary list of “variables” that could potentially be changed:

- (R) or (O) Research Objectives / Goals
- (M) Methods / Algorithms
- (I) Implementation / Code / Source-Code
- (P) Platform / Execution Environment / Context
- (A) Actors / Persons
- (D) Data (input data and parameter values)

This spells: OMIPAD. Rearranging the letters that we use to represent the several aspects that can be changed, it can be remembered as PRIMAD: (P)latform, (R)esearch Goal, (I)mplementation, (M)ethod, (A)ctor, (D)ata (both input and parameter data), which allows us to ask: What variables have you “primed” in your reproducibility study?

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Outputs = Exec(M,I,P,D) | RO, A

- M = parsimony/bootstrap/..
- I = package XYZ
- P = MacOS ..
- D = (Params, Files)

PRIMAD *(what have you “primed”?)*

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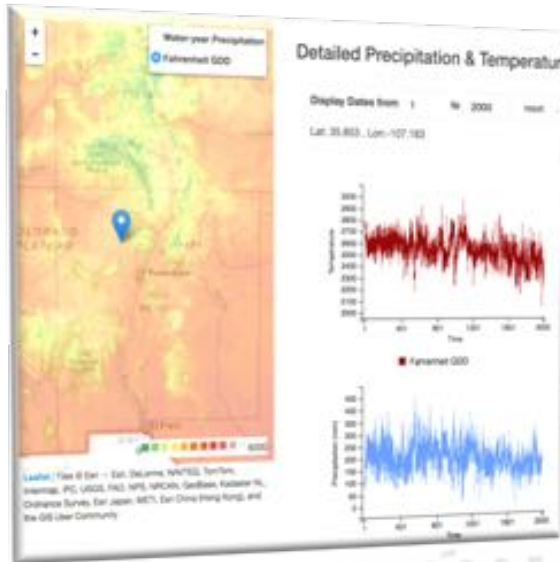
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Label	Data		Platform / Stack	Implementation	Method	Research Objective	Actor	Gain
	Parameters	Raw Data						
Repeat	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Determinism
Param. Sweep	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	Robustness / Sensitivity
Generalize	(x)	x	-	-	-	-	-	Applicability across different settings
Port	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	Portability across platforms, flexibility
Re-code	-	-	(x)	x	-	-	-	Correctness of implementation, flexibility, adoption, efficiency
Validate	(x)	(x)	(x)	(x)	x	-	-	Correctness of hypothesis, validation via different approach
Re-use	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	Apply code in different settings, Re-purpose
Independent x (orthogonal)							x	Sufficiency of information, independent verification

■ **Figure 1** PRIMAD Model: Categorizing the various types of reproducibility by varying the (P)latform, (R)esearch Objective, (I)mplementation, (M)ethod, (A)ctor and (D)ata, analyzing the gain they bring to computational experiments. x denotes the variable primed i.e. changed, (x) a variable that may need to be changed as a consequence, whereas - denotes no change.

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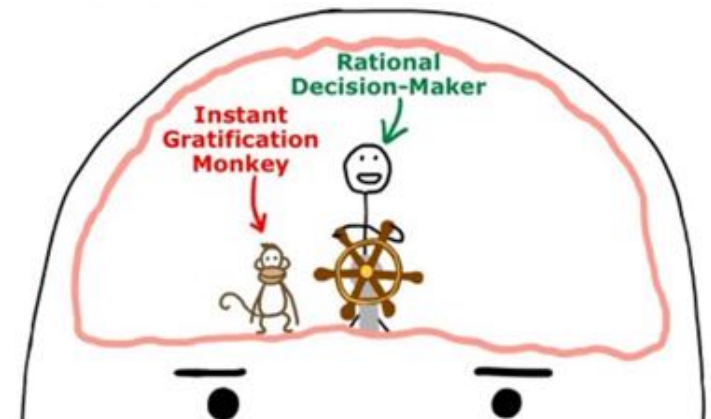
Some related Projects ..



- **DataONE:** ...
 - ➔ **Posters** by Linh Hoang & Hui Lyu, Xiaoliang Jiang
- **SKOPE:** system and tools to discover, access, analyze, visualize **paleoenvironmental data**
 - unprecedented ability to explore provenance (detailed, comprehensible record of computational derivation of results)
 - for researchers, tinkerers, and modelers
 - ➔ **WT /SKOPE poster** by Pratik Shrivastava
- **Whole Tale:**
 - **leverage & contribute to existing CI** to support the whole tale (“living paper”), from workflow run to scholarly publication
 - integrate tools & CI (DataONE, Globus, iRODS, NDS, ...) to **simplify use and promote best practices.**
 - **driven by science WGs** (Archaeology/SKOPE, materials science, astro, bio ..)

Preliminary Conclusions

- **Goal:** allow researchers (+*tinkers*, +*modelers*) to tell the whole tale of a science study, transparently and reproducibly.
- **Provenance** ...
 - ... is key to transparency, reproducibility, comprehensibility
 - ... comes in many (hybrid) forms (*workflow graphs, log files, trace events, ...*)
 - ... is metadata (=> “*a love note to the future*”)
 - ... should be *actionable today* (feed both, your IGM & RDM)
- **Provenance-for-Self** ...
 - ... asks: *how does provenance help me get my work done today?*
 - ... is what provenance technologists and tool builders could/should do more of!



*Inside the mind of a master procrastinator
(TED Talk by Tim Urban)*

Truth or Consequences ... (ice breaker)

- Which of these are true/false?
- As a high-school student I ...
 - ... worked at a nuclear power plant
 - ... worked at a historic Roman bath
 - ... migrated code from FORTRAN to Pascal
- Later in life I ...
 - ... toured the backwaters from Cochin to Alleppey
 - ... toured the Isle of Skye on motorbike
 - ... toured Sri Lanka on motorbike
 - ... became a national master in chess
 - ... discovered game provenance, invented provenance games