

Sumatra as an Open Science tool

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Resources on Sumatra

Website:

neuralensemble.org/sumatra/

Getting started:

packages.python.org/Sumatra/

Repository:

bitbucket.org/apdavison/sumatra/

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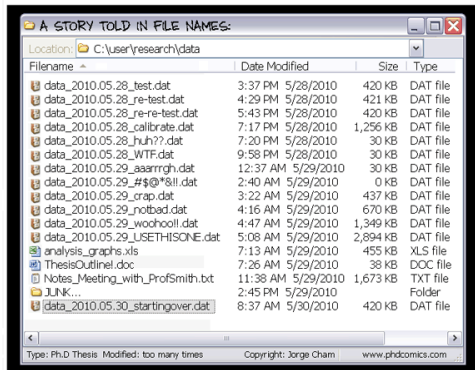
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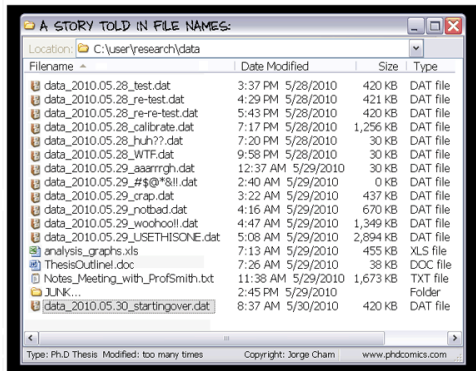
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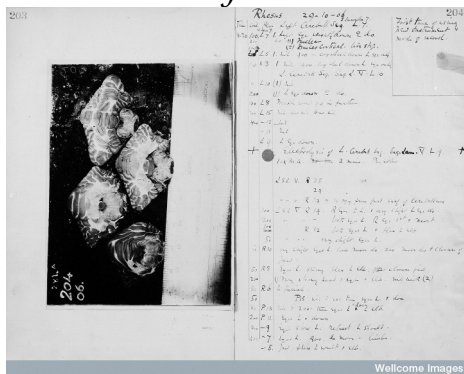
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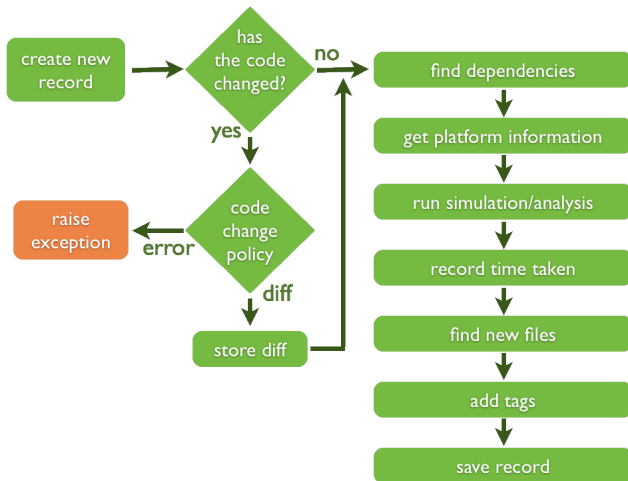
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⇒ capture information about
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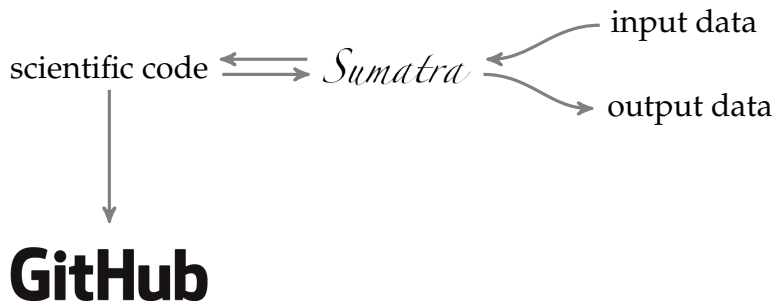
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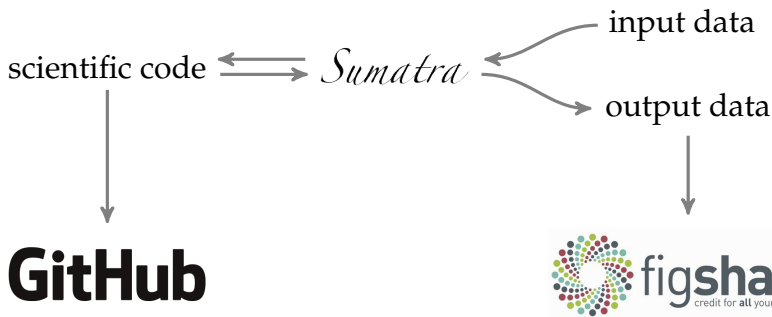
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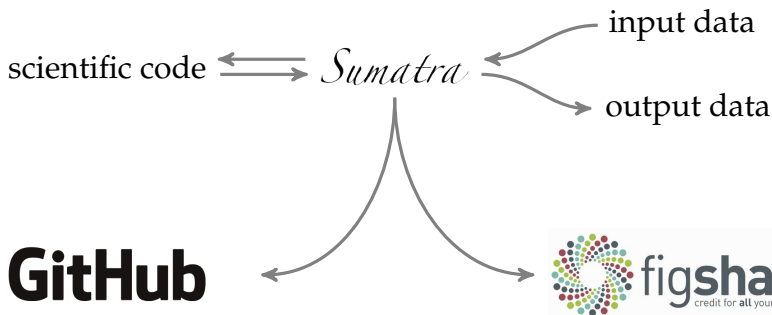
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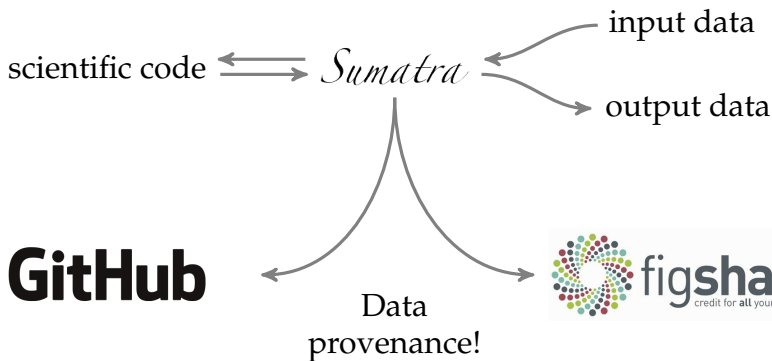
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