



Cheap and FAIR:

Building a Serverless Research Data Repository

Identifiers & Landing Pages

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Identifiers...*hoo boy*

- Identifiers can be a contentious topic
- It's all about namespaces and resolvers
- Identifiers don't need to be semantically meaningful
- Datasets can have multiple identifiers
 - E.g., You can start with a local identifier and then add a DOI
- URLs are challenging
 - Using a URL for an identifier means the identifier “owns” a URL

Identifiers: Some Reasonable Terms

identifier: a chain of characters used to refer to an entity

locally unique identifier: an identifier which is unique to a given context but which may clash if moved out of this specific context

globally unique identifier: an identifier which is produced such that the probability of the exact same string is extremely low (but not null), hence global—AKA a universally unique identifier (UUID)

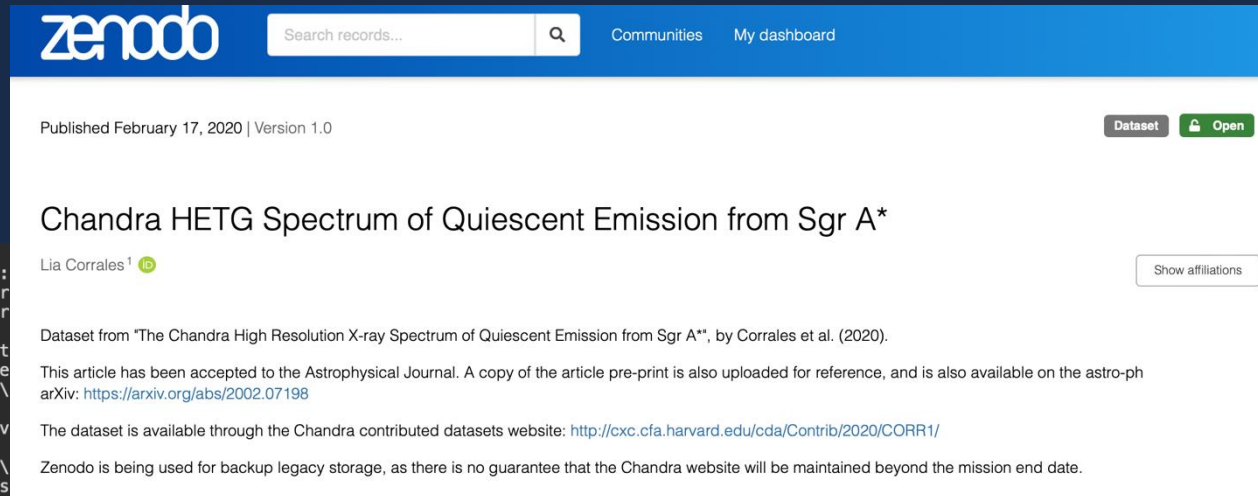
persistent identifier: an identifier which provides a long-lasting reference to a digital resource—needs a resolution service (e.g., DOI)

identifier resolution service: software infrastructure that can return a URL (i.e., a *landing page*) for an identifier (e.g., DataCite)

<https://nih-cfde.github.io/the-fair-cookbook/content/recipes/Identification/identifiers.html>

Landing Pages

A **landing page** is the web page that describes a dataset. It provides the metadata about the dataset in **human & machine-readable** formats.



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Details

DOI

DOI [10.5281/zenodo.3671413](https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.3671413)

Resource type

Dataset


Publisher

Zenodo

Languages

English

Rights

 Creative Commons Attribution 4.0 International

Citation

Lia Corrales. (2020). Chandra HETG Spectrum of Quiescent Emission from Sgr A* (1.0) [Data set]. Zenodo.
<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.3671413>

Two Metadata Standards to Know

DataCite

Schema.org

Used for DOIs Used for Google Dataset Search

- Use clearest terms on your landing pages (human-readable)
- Use Schema.org to generate JSON-LD embedded in your landing pages (machine-readable)

Citation metadata crosswalk

The required fields for citation.

DataCite XML	schema.org
identifier	@id
title	name
creator	author
publisher	publisher
publicationYear	datePublished
version	version
resourceTypeGeneral	@type

Recommended Practices

- Assign every dataset an identifier unique to your repository
- Use this identifier in your metadata
- Ensure that every dataset landing page
 - has the minimum DataCite and Schema.org fields
 - in both JSON-LD and human-readable formats
- Landing pages are public even when the data is not
- Use a Creative Commons or OSI license if possible
- If you assign a DOI to your dataset, be diligent about maintaining the landing page
- Landing pages need to stay even if the data is gone