# Introduction to Data Management in Exact Sciences

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- Advice on data management
- Training (data, reproducibility, identifiers)
- Support for data management plans
- Curation of the Univ-Rennes collection on Recherche Data Gouv



ARDoISE data hub

1. Research Data,What Are WeTalking About?

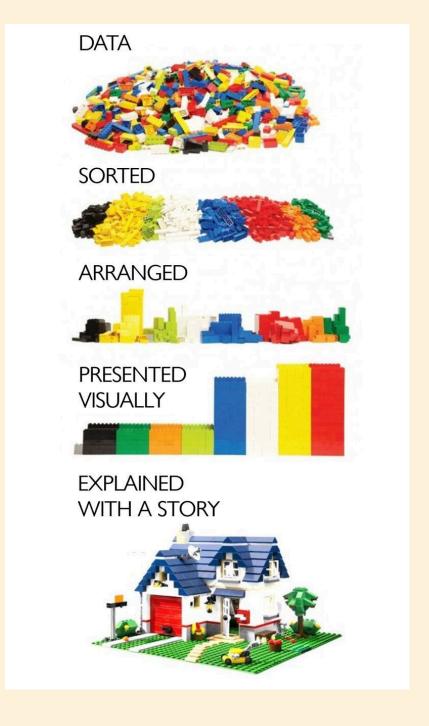


Figure 1: données brutes, données raffinées

## Which Files Are Important to Make Available?

#### Answers

- raw\_data\_fish\_counter.csv
- intermediate data.xls
- filter1.py
- first\_draft\_submission.pdf
- kick\_off\_report.docx
- filter2.py
- notebook\_experiment.ipynb

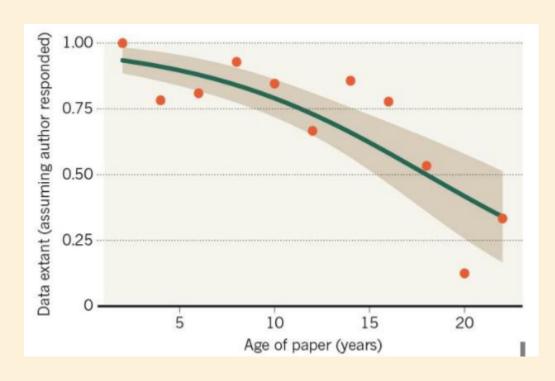
- final\_data\_fish\_counter.xls
- project\_presentation\_funders.p
- final data.csv
- study\_draft.qmd
- fish\_counter\_calibration.md
   january\_meeting\_partners.docx
  - fish\_counter\_instructions\_for\_u
  - gantt\_calendar.xlsx

2. Towards
Cumulative,
Reliable, and
Reproducible
Science?



Figure 2: static data to linked data

#### Permanence of Data Access

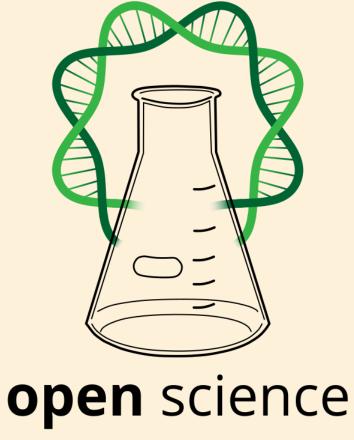


Gibney & Van Noorden

(2013)

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#### 3. A Challenge of Open Science



#### **FAIR Principles**



Figure 3: principes FAIR

#### openness / closure

- "as open as possible, as closed as necessary"
- Default openness
- Closure to justify:
  - personal data
  - intellectual property

#### Making Your Data Findable

#### Quality of a directory:

- reputation
- sustainability (institutional support)
- open license
- persistent identifier
- richness of metadata
- curation

discipline	repository
images (SHS)	MediHal
code	Software Heritage via HAL
Bioinformatics	GenOuest
Humanities	Nakala
Mathematics	no repository, see with the RNBM group
environment, hydrology	Data Indores
Earth Sciences	data terra
Marine Sciences data	ifremer, seanoe
medical sciences	INSERM repository on RDG

discipline	repository
Ecology, Environment, and	InDoRES and Cat.InDoRES
Society Data	

#### Recherche Data Gouv

- richness of metadata
- curation
- national reference (supported by the Ministry)
- persistent identifier
- significant volume
- free of charge
- simplified generation of datapapers
- RDG sandbox

#### Are Data Accessible?

In 93% of cases no response or negative response without justification Gabelica et al. (2022)



Figure 4: "data available upon request"

#### Are Data Interoperable?

Which identifiers to use for copper telluride?

registry	identifier
CAS number	12019-52-2
PubChem CID number	6914517
PubChem SID number	24879035
openSMILES identifier	CuCu.CuCu.TeTe
InChI identifier	InChI=1/2Cu.Te
MDL number	MFCD00049727

#### **Transparent Formats?**



Figure 5: CSV vs XLS

Ziemann et al. (2023)

#### **Documenting the Data**

- Documentation is the glue that binds a data science project together Ziemann et al. (2023)
- Carefully describe the data and the context of its acquisition (production, collection)
- literate programming
- describe the data using ontologies

#### **Documenting to Avoid Context Errors**

Be precise in describing the context of data production

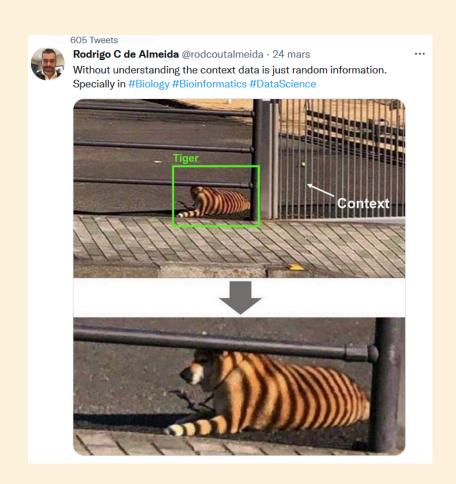


Figure 6: the importance of data context

#### Ontologies

discipline	thesaurus
biodiversity	INRAE
environment	GEMET
Biology, Health	MeSH
Mental Health	ascodopsy

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#### Reusable Data?

- Creative Commons (CC:by)
- a license written by a law firm expert in intellectual property that provides for a variety of authorized or prohibited use cases
- ODBL
- Etalab
- no license, do whatever you want with my dataset
- CC0
- CC:by for everyone except for fossil industries, arms sellers, and Google ( Thomas (2023)) text available here.

#### Data Management Plan

- The DMP summarizes all the choices made for data management
- Submit an initial version of a DMP 6 months after signing a contract (ANR, European projects)
- DMP OPIDOR

## 4. Let's Get Practical



Figure 7: Silurus Glanis

#### fictional data (ChatGPT)

	Day	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October
1	1	5	3	8	4	2	10	11	12	9	7
2	2	3	7	2	5	4	8	1	6	11	10
3	3	6	4	9	7	11	3	8	5#	2	1
4	4	8	1	0	3	0	9	4#	7	5	2
5	5	2	10	7	12	8	4	11	1	6	3
6	6	4	0	3	1	5	7	2	10	0	12
7	7	7	5	1	9	10	2	6	3	4	11
8	8	11	0 *	6	2	3	1	7	9	12	* *
9	9	1	9*	4	11	7*	5	10	2#	3	* *
10	10	9	2*	10	6	1*	11	3#	8	7	* *
11	11	7	6*	5	1	9*	2#	4#	11	8	* *
12	12	4	11*	1	8	5*	6	9	7	10	* *
13	13	12	7*	2	4	11*	3	5	6	9	* *
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#### Dear Prof. Armand,

proper conduct of the study.

I'm enclosing the data collected this year by our various sensors installed on the Tydale as part of your study "Growth of glane silure catfish \*silurus glanis\* in european river, the case of the Tydale river".

Funds from the Royal Fisheries Corporation (RFC) enabled the purchase of 8 underwater sensors along the Tydale, which, when properly parameterized, were able to count only fish weighing over 10 kg. Thanks to the camera's artificial intelligence, catfish were counted with a margin of error of around 3%. We have noted certain incidents in the data obtained that could affect the

In February and May, we noted that some sensors were no longer working properly and had to be repaired. In October, the centralized results collection system broke down for 11 days, causing us to lose data. In addition, we pointed out that boating activities on the Tyndale River on

### Figures

figure	credits
Figure 1	Maricx
Figure 2	Tim Berners-Lee
?@fig-perte	Gibney, Van Noorden
Figure 3	Willkinson, Dumontier et al.
Figure 4	Sergio Uribe
Figure 5	meme dont l'origine se perd dans la nuit des temps
Figure 6	Ralph Aboujaoude Diaz
Figure 7	Dieter Florian

## Software Used for the Presentation

Except for its translation from french to english, which was made with the help of ChatGPT, the presentation was created with free software (thank you Richard M. Stallman), including the following software:

the text editor is VScode. VScode makes using Quarto easier (Quarto is a software without a graphical interface, as is Pandoc, which is integrated into Quarto). VScode also allows encapsulation of R chunks (if R is loaded on the machine with the corresponding packages)

The session info package in R allows showing how data manipulation code can be automatically documented to produce a figure from a dataset, for example. Code reproducibility is an essential issue related to data access.

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