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WHAT TOOLS AND METHODS DO WE NEED TO ENABLE SECONDARY USE OF ROUTINE DATA?

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Socioeconomic and health care routine data in Brazil

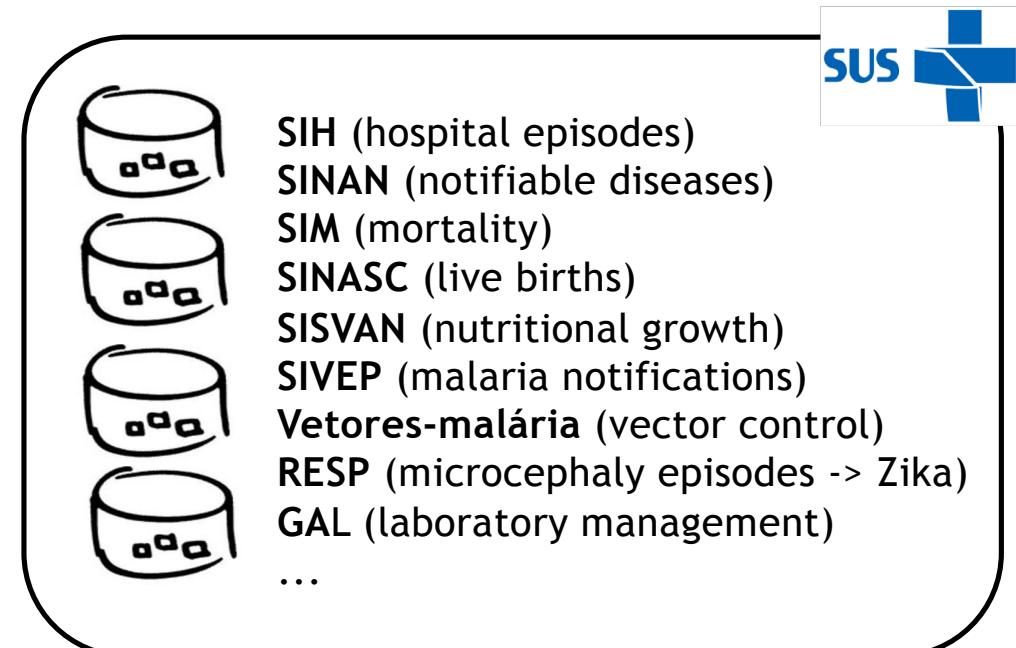
Social programmes

- ✓ Targeted to poor and extremely poor families.
- ✓ Cadastro Único: central registrar for all programmes.



Public health system (SUS)

- ✓ Big and complex public health system.
 - from primary care to specialised transplantations.
- ✓ Used by approximately 77% of the Brazilian population (164 million people).



Existing research platforms using these data

✓ The 100 Million Cohort



- ✓ Baseline: CadastroÚnico, 2001-2015, **114 million individuals** x 367 attributes.
- ✓ Cohort: baseline + Bolsa Família (cash transfers) + Housing (MCMV), 2001 – 2015, **400 million records**, 3,000 attributes.
- ✓ Used by +20 projects assessing the effects of social programmes on health outcomes.



✓ Zika surveillance (+ microcephaly)



- ✓ Birth cohort, 2001 – 2030, $\cong 80$ million records.
- ✓ Morbidity, mortality, socioeconomic and service data.
- ✓ Focus on the triple epidemic (Zika, Dengue and Chikungunya) and health/educational outcomes related to microcephaly.

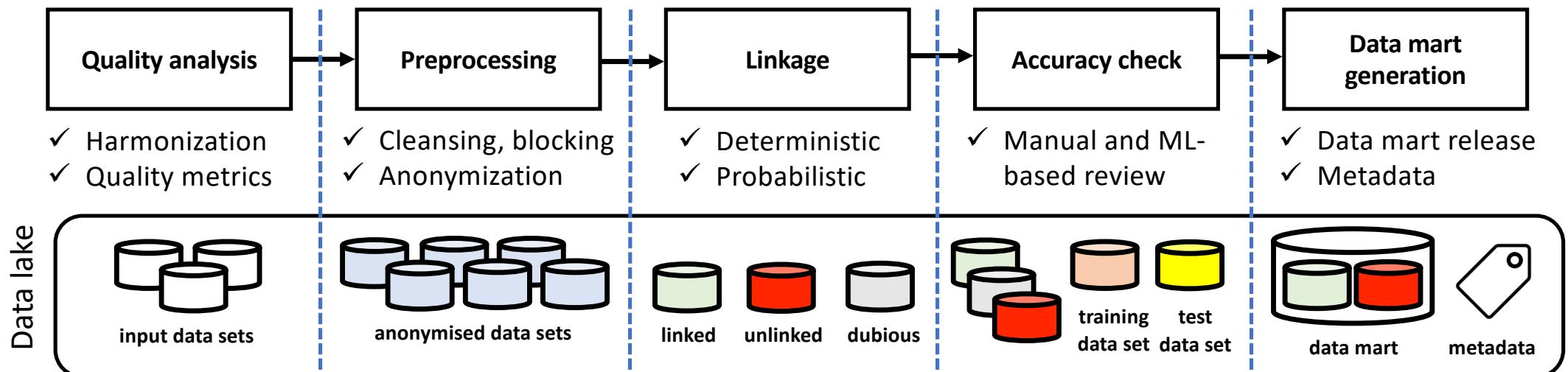
✓ Malaria linkage & analytics



- ✓ Malaria episodes (>5 million records) + mortality + socioeconomic + climate data, 2000 – 2018.
- ✓ Focus on i) data aggregation and ii) epidemic forecasting.



AtyImo – Data linkage platform



- ✓ Harmonization
- ✓ Data imputation
- ✓ Deep + Machine learning
- ✓ Statistical tools
- ✓ Visual modelling, storyboards
- ✓ Geospatial data



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Data analytics pipeline

Example results



Exploring hybrid parallel systems for probabilistic record linkage

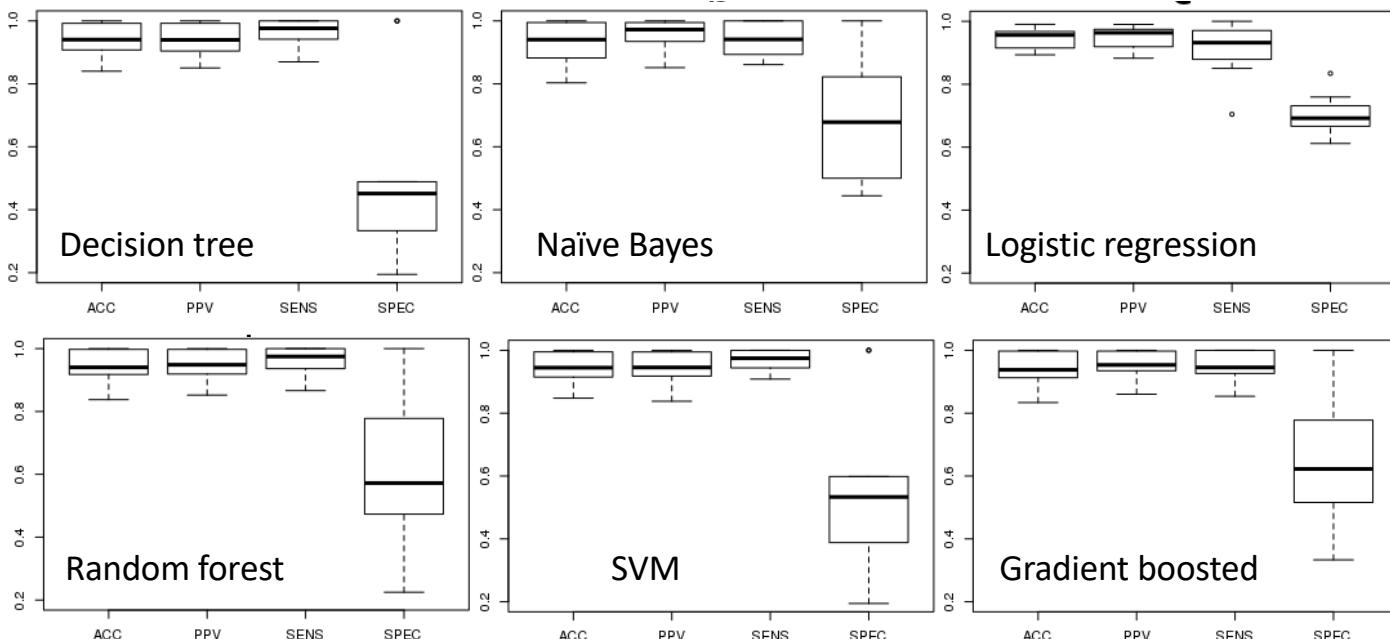
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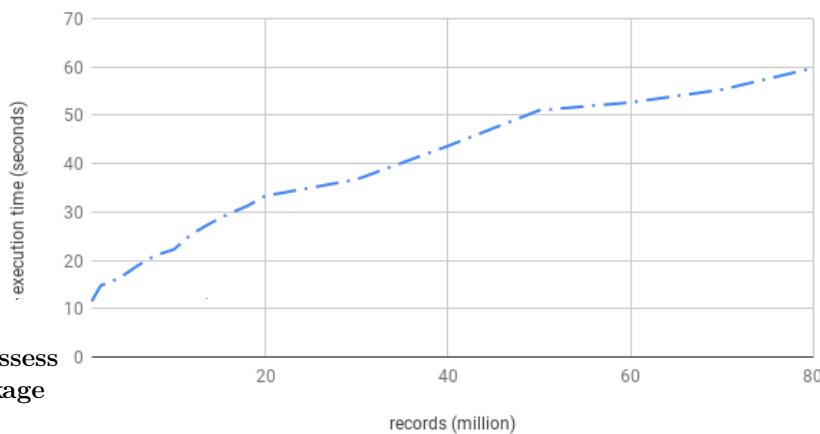
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A Machine Learning Trainable Model to Assess the Accuracy of Probabilistic Record Linkage

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Hybrid Execution Time



Biggest challenges

✓ Technical:

- i) Large volumes of data hinder validation.
- ii) Data heterogeneity hinders the adoption of generalizable machine learning methods.

✓ Behavioural:

- ✓ How to conciliate domain expertise (human) and powerful (but black-boxed) methods (machine) into accessible and effective analytics platforms to support routine research and policy-making over linked health care data?



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