



PSDI

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DATA INFRASTRUCTURE

UK Physical Sciences Data Infrastructure (PSDI) initiative

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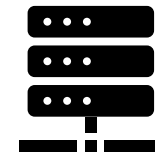
Aim(s) of PSDI

Support Data as a major driver of research in Physical Sciences

PSDI will provide
A data infrastructure that
connects existing
experimental and computational facilities
within Physical Sciences and beyond

Building Bridges

- ▶ Sustaining data resources beyond lifespan of individual research projects



PSDI: filling a Gap in Provision

- ▶ **Other countries** have initiatives underway in this domain, e.g.
 - ▶ USA: Materials Genome Initiative
 - ▶ Japan: NIMS
 - ▶ European data infrastructures, such as E-CAM, MaX and NOMAD
 - ▶ German National Research Data Infrastructure (NFDI)

UK catch up

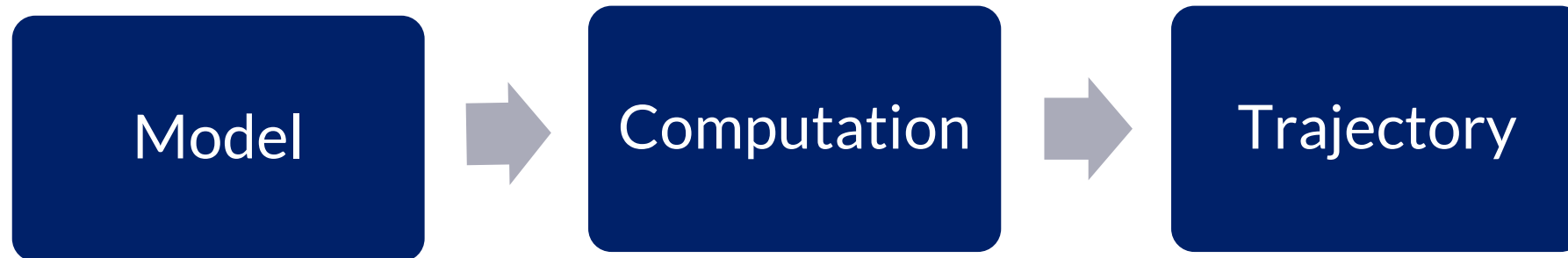
- ▶ **Other domains** have initiatives underway in the UK, e.g.
 - ▶ EBI in Life Sciences
 - ▶ NERC Data centres in Environmental Science
 - ▶ UK Data Archive in Social Science

Physical Sciences
catch up

We are building a UK, Physical Science, Data Infrastructure

- ▶ Supporting Chemistry, Materials and related disciplines
- ▶ Traversing to and interfacing with Life, Medical, Engineering and Environmental Sciences through federated systems

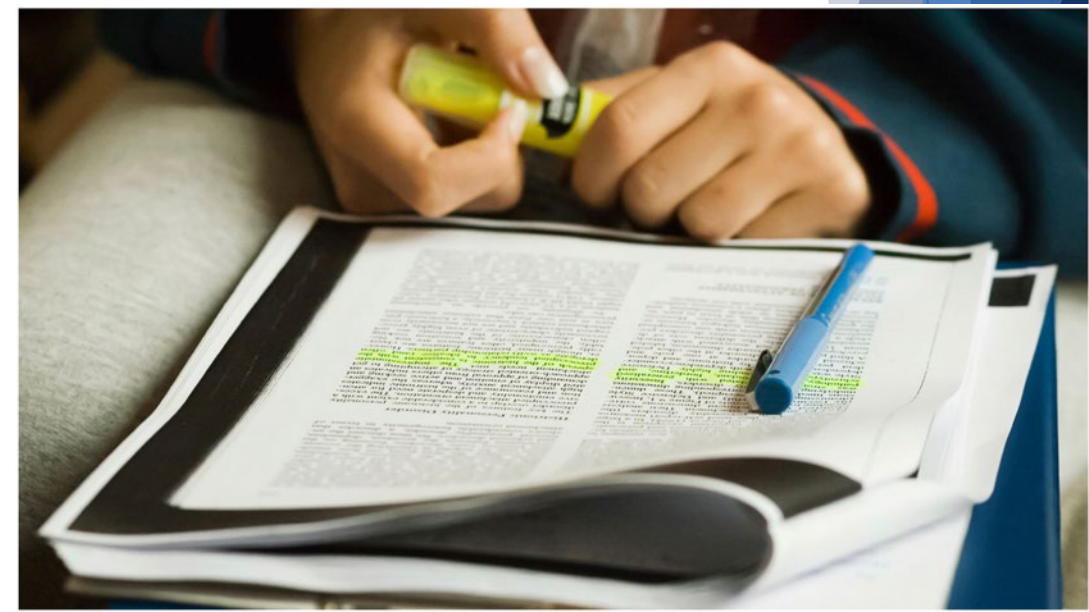
An Example: Biomolecular Simulations



- Run 10s of simulations to generate data
- Apply know-how to extract science from data
- Publish paper

But

- Paper does not include all details needed to **repeat** simulation
- Citations do not give **credit** for *all* resources used



Provenance map of a Single Command in a Simulation

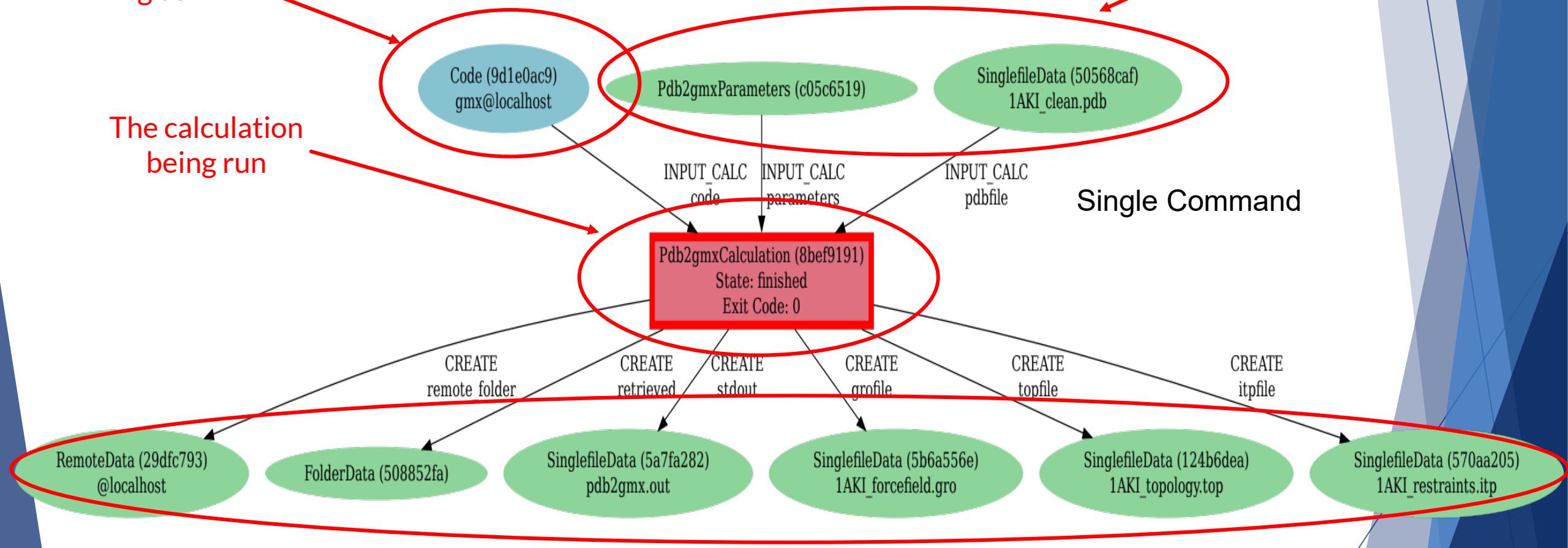
The computer
being used

The inputs

The calculation
being run

Single Command

The outputs

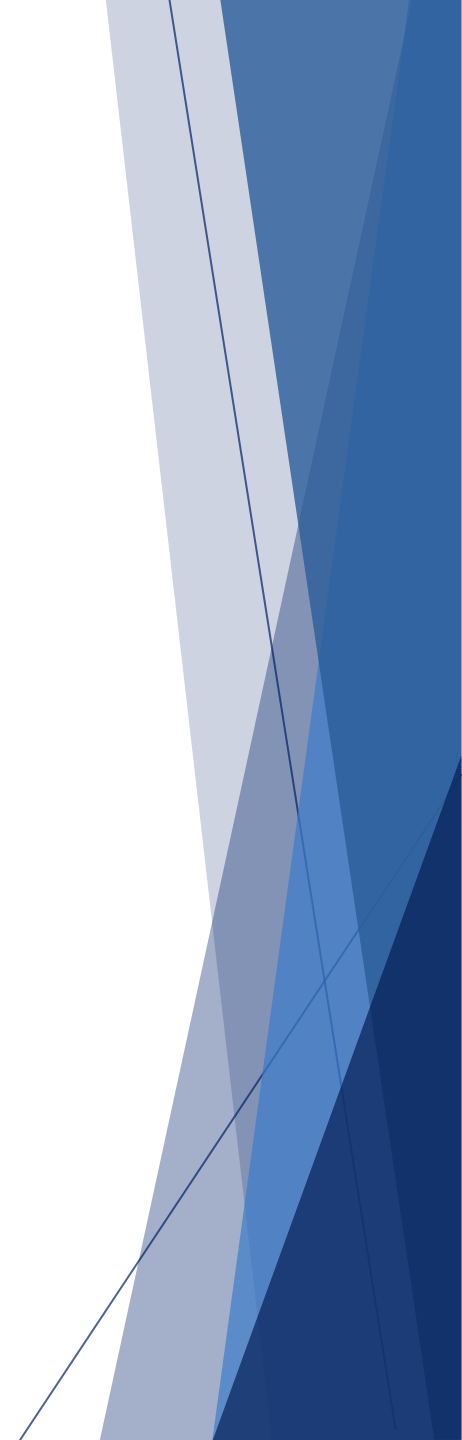
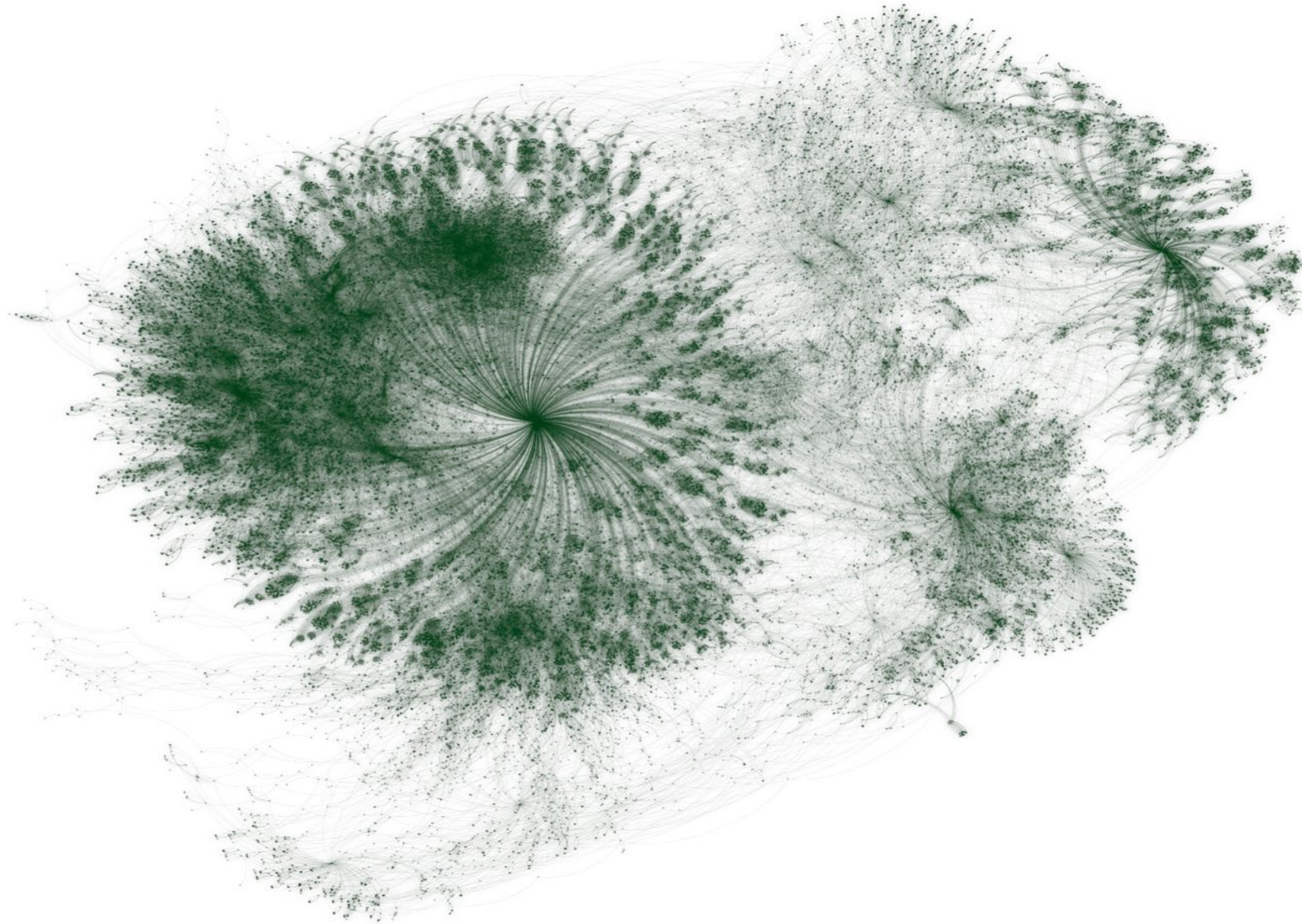




Creating a model... (not yet a simulation)



An Entire Study



PSDI PathFinder on Research Process Orchestration

Main aim is to improve data practices in domain – align with FAIR principles

- ▶ Prototype tools to **capture full data provenance** for model creation, simulation and analytics (FAIR)
- ▶ Prototype infrastructure tools to **store, access, find and share data** (FAIR)
- ▶ **Collect** and Integrate existing small scale, disparate data sources
- ▶ Maintain **compatibility** with other data initiatives (EBI, EU and US)
- ▶ Link **computational and experimental** data sources
- ▶ **“I”** (FAIR) Integrations *not yet in scope* of this pathfinder (excellent projects in CCPBioSim)

James Gebbie & Jas Kalayan

Process Orchestration PathFinder: User Environment Prototype

- Building on GROMACS software (70% of users in UK HPC Biosim Consortium)
- Designed to mimick working with native package (command line driven)
- Simple to install and setup our plugin “`pip install aiida-gromacs`” – available through AiiDA

Normal command:

```
gmx pdb2gmx -f prot.pdb -ff oplsaa -water spce -o prot.gro -p prot.top -i prot.itp
```

Capture provenance with AiiDA:

```
gmx_aiidapdb2gmx -f prot.pdb -ff oplsaa -water spce -o prot.gro -p prot.top -i prot.itp
```

The bigger picture (just in the UK)

Facilities, Institutes & Hubs

Examples:

- Catalysis Hub
- CCFE
- Central Laser Facility
- Diamond
- Future Manufacturing Hub
- ISIS
- Royce Institute
- ATI

National Research Facilities

Examples:

- HarwellXPS
- NXCT
- NCS
- PSDS
- SuperSTEM
- UK High Field Solid-State NMR
- XMaS

Computational Initiatives

Examples:

- CCP5++
- CCP9
- CCP Biosim
- CCP EngSci
- CCPi
- CCP NC
- CCP NTH
- CCP QC
- CCP SAS
- CCP Turbulence
- CCP WSI
- SSI
- UK society of RSE
- HEC Biosim
- HEC Plasma
- MCC
- UKCTRF
- UKCP
- UKTC
- CoSeC
- EPSRC Tier2
- ExCALIBUR
- STFC Hartree Centre
- ARCHER

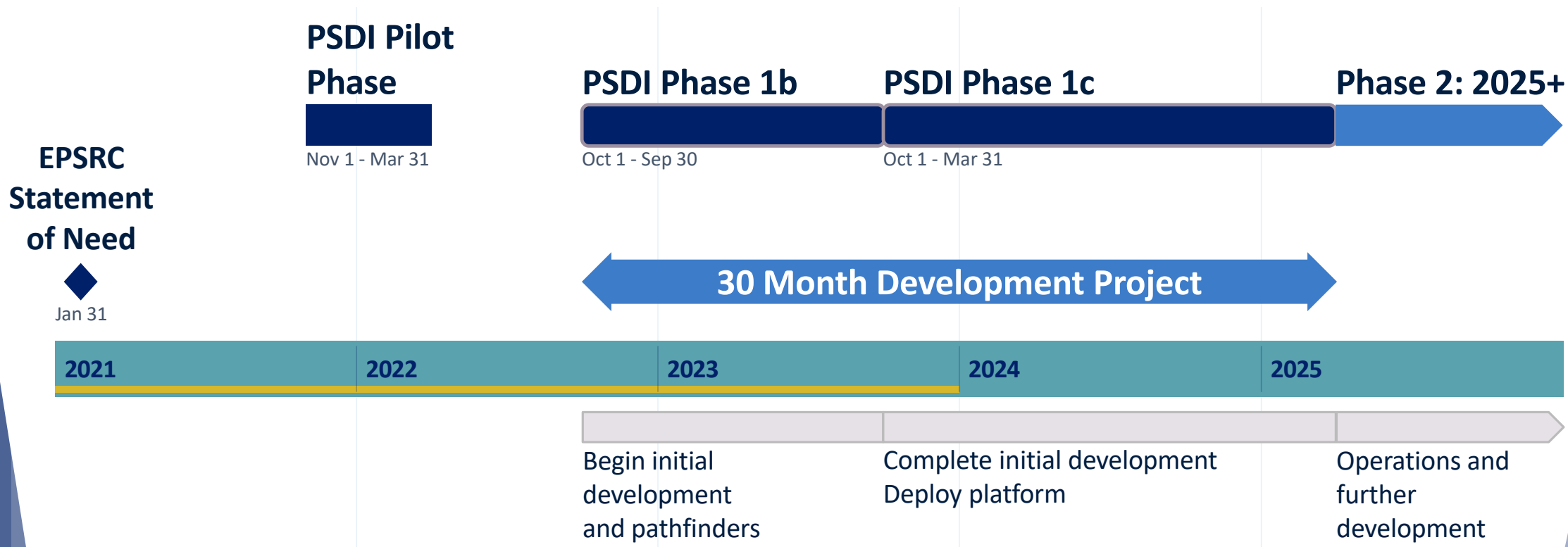
Research Institutions, Groups and Laboratories

Examples:

- Equipment Infrastructures
- Equipment Facilities
- University Labs
- ELNs
- Repositories
- Local Computing Resources

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PSDI: Outline Timeline



Pilot Phase at a Glance



CS1: Data and simulation driven understanding of catalytic activity

CS2: Simulations driven materials discovery

CS3: Combining data sources in Materials Physics

CS4: Spectroscopy data infrastructure

CS5: Data curation and availability at instrument-based facilities

CS6: Process Recording and Electronic Laboratory Notebooks

CS7: Data trust, sharing & preservation

CS8: The role of structure in Physical Sciences data management

Pilot Recommendations

13 recommendations in 4 areas:

Connecting existing infrastructures

3 Recommendations: connecting existing research data services, beyond the lifespan of individual projects, co-operation and co-creation between all stakeholder organisations

Best Use of Data

4 Recommendations: developing a toolkit for publishing, access to provenanced data, tools for reproduceable data processing, support for transforming data to knowledge

Best Use of People

4 Recommendations: co-ordination for community activities and input, community training and support, professionalisation for data roles, governance structure for PSDI

Best Use of Technology

2 Recommendations: services to connect existing provision (data and services), adopt existing technologies

Full recommendations at: <https://www.psd.ac.uk/the-pilot/recommendations>

Outputs available via www.psd.ac.uk and PSDI zenodo community

Current Work – Platform, Pathfinders and Hub

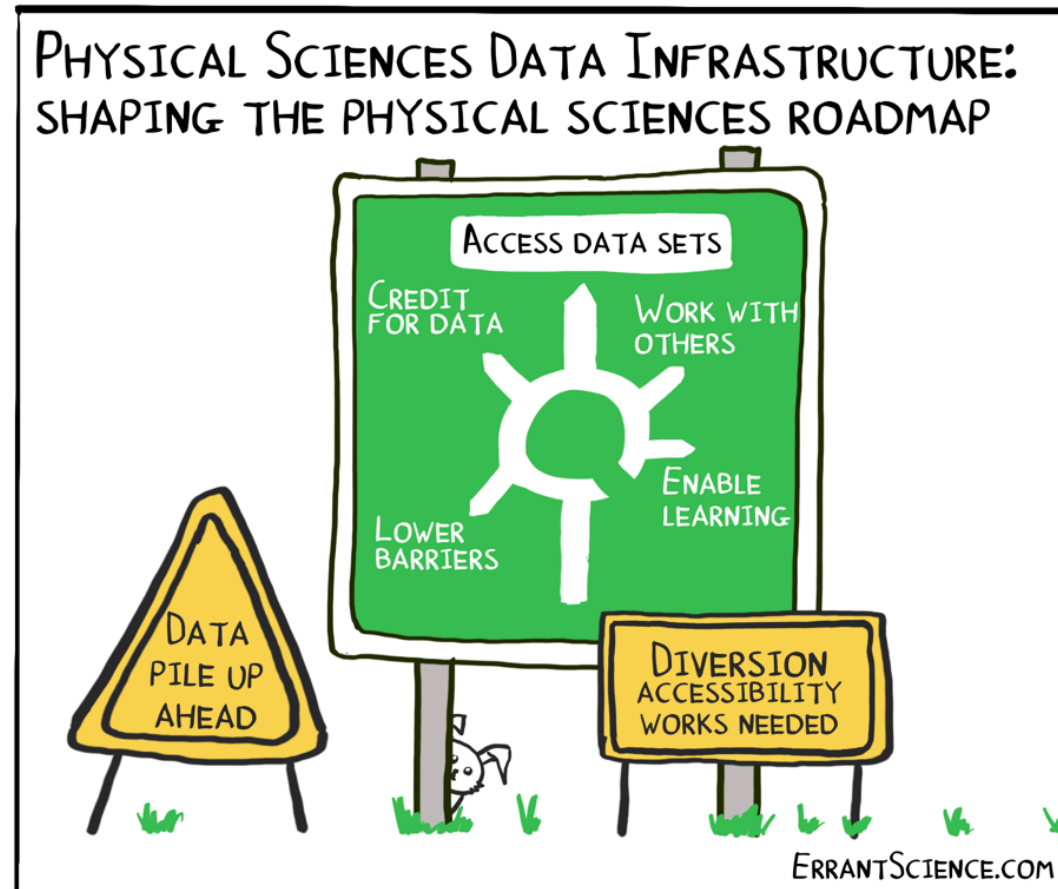
▶ Platform

- ▶ Requirements Analysis
- ▶ Capacity Planning
- ▶ System Architecture design
- ▶ Component testing
- ▶ Beginning Build

▶ “Pathfinders”

- ▶ PF1: Experimental data capture
- ▶ PF2: Process Recording
- ▶ PF3: Building Data Collections
- ▶ PF4: Process Orchestration
- ▶ PF5: Data to Knowledge
- ▶ PF6: CCP-NC Database
- ▶ PF7: Reproducible Computational Workflows

▶ Hub: Communications, Governance, Planning,...



PSDI Hub

Core Activities & Services



Management, Governance & coordination



Core data infrastructure components



Communications and Engagement



Training



Long term vision

Shorter Term Focus (for the moment)

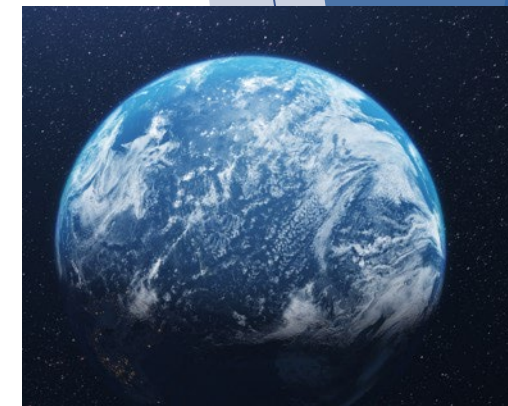
Refining, Release, Renew

PSDI Phase 2

Drive, Deploy, Develop 

Outreach, Engage, Train 

International Collaboration

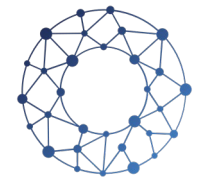


Research and data is
not bounded by
international
borders!

Alignment with
other ongoing and
developing
international
projects

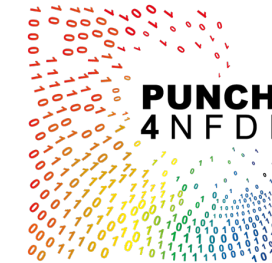
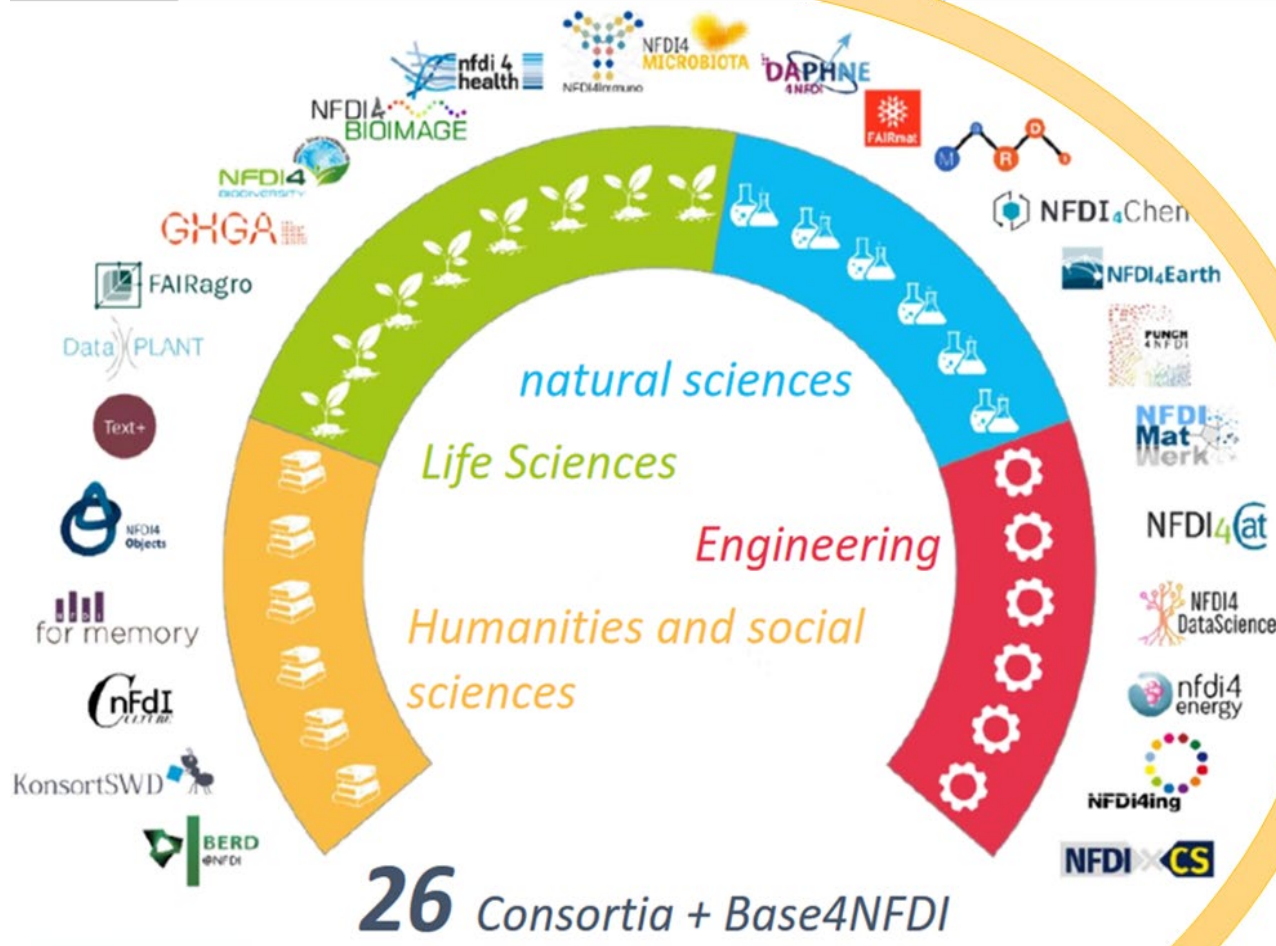
CODATA, RDA,
WorldFAIR
engagement (among
others)

How might we align / collaborate with NFDI?



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Sciences
in nfdi



PF1: Experimental data capture

Lead: Abraham Nieva de la Hidalga

Goal

Improve data publishing practices to promote better use of this valuable resource

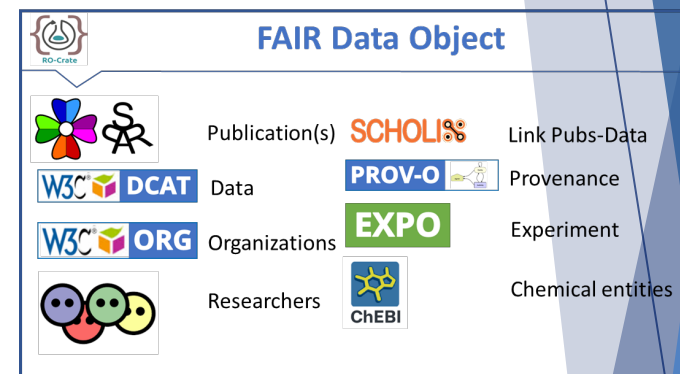
Requirements

- track data provenance
- reference all data used
- link data to results
- generate publish ready data

Proposed approaches

Create FAIR data objects

- Enable reproducibility and replicability
- Promote data reuse



Scientific workflows

- Create custom processing/analysis tools
- Combine tools into workflows
- Share and publish workflows
- Generate FAIR digital objects





PF1 - Opportunities for collaboration



Data management platform



Vocabulary and ontology tools tailored to the needs of a research community



ELN for documenting custom experimental workflows



Automate beamline experiments and accelerate operation

PF2: Process Recording

Lead: Dr Samantha Pearman-Kanza

Investigating routes for recording research process, as well as developing metadata and ontology layers to enable processing and analysis tools

Research focus/service areas:

- ▶ Process recording tools
 - ▶ ELNS & generic notebooks
 - ▶ Investigating the data trail from Lab Notebook to Thesis/Paper to Supplementary Information
- ▶ Exemplars for FAIR data/software/research
- ▶ Data format conversion service
- ▶ Converting paper lab notebooks into machine-readable data using Data Revival
- ▶ Metadata & semantics research

ELN Finder

The ELN Finder helps you to search and select a suitable Electronic Lab Notebook (ELN) for your purposes.

- More than 40 filter criteria available.
- Filter criteria clearly divided into categories.
- Result list of the identified ELN tools displayed in an overview.
- Brief descriptions of the individual tools included.

 Find ELNs



Chemistry File Format Conversion Database

Convert from:
cmf: Chemical Markup Language

Convert to:
pdb: Protein Data Bank

Conversion success:
Open Babel: complete

Converter details:

Open Babel
Comprehensive converter
https://openbabel.org/docs/dev/Command-line_tools/babel.html [Visit website](#)

PF2: Process Recording – Collaborations & NFDI Alignment

Current Collaborations:

- ▶ ELNFinder – enabling scientists to choose between ELNs

NFDI Alignment:

- ▶ NFDI4Chem



- ▶ FAIR data publishing – this aligns with our research for exemplars on FAIR data/software/research
- ▶ Chemotion – opportunities to use Chemotion for case studies – aligns with ELN research
- ▶ Terminology Service – aligns with semantics research
- ▶ FAIRMAT – FAIR data
- ▶ DAPHNE - metadata



PF3: Building Data Collections

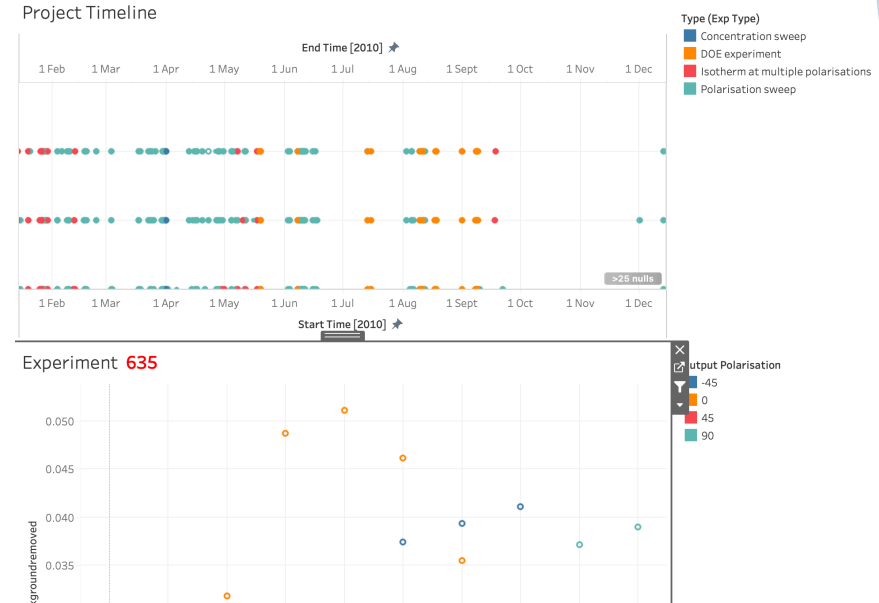
Lead: Professor Jeremy Frey

Explore and develop methods to **build, store, manage** and access collections for types of data, such as:

- ▶ institutional data
- ▶ facilities data
- ▶ legacy data
- ▶ orphaned data

Several use cases are being worked on:

- ▶ Multiple data types (legacy/active/paper/pdf/electronic/structured)
- ▶ How best to manage, curate and store data
- ▶ Working with a range of tools and technologies
- ▶ These use cases will enable us to provide guidelines on data practices e.g.
 - ▶ Database creation
 - ▶ Chemical identifiers
 - ▶ Data publishing
- ▶ Production of high quality curated datasets
- ▶ Investigating the available repositories (institutional and domain based)



Legacy Second Harmonic Generation data now curated and on Tableau

University of Southampton | SharePoint

AMR_sharepoint

molecule_overview

Title	molecule_image	ssa_backbone	counter_jon_1	counter_jon_2	complete_smiles	complete_can...
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AMR data curated from spreadsheets, stored in FAIR database & Sharepoint Site

PF3: Building Data Collections – Collaborations & NFDI Alignment

NFDI Alignment:

- ▶ NFDI4Chem

- ▶ Chemistry repositories – this aligns with our research on available repositories, and guidelines towards data publishing



- ▶ DAPHNE

- ▶ Community repositories



- ▶ NFDI4Cat

- ▶ Data Management in Catalysis – links to guidelines on data



PF4: Biomolecular Simulations

Lead: Dr James Gebbie-Rayet

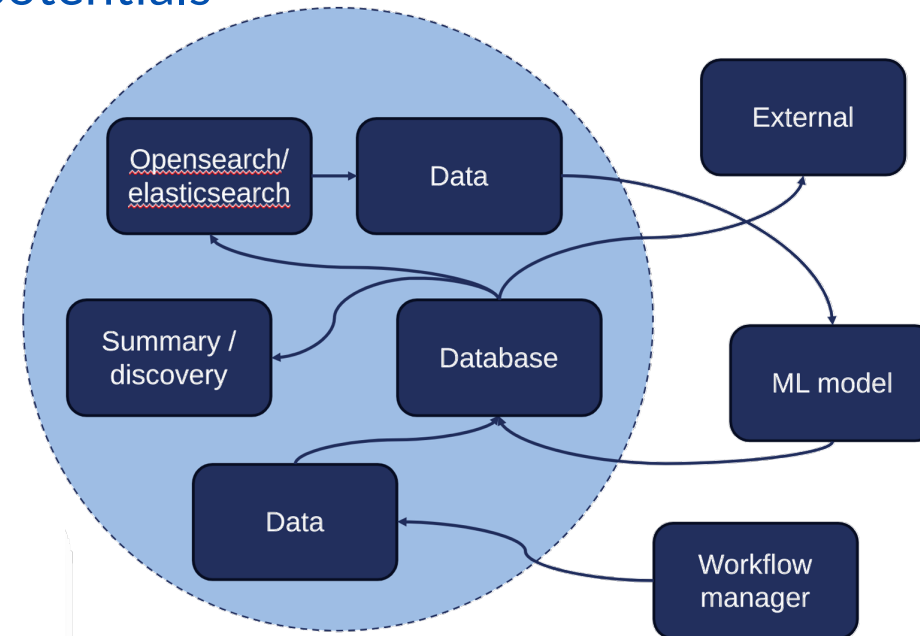
- ▶ Exemplar shown earlier in presentation
- ▶ This pathfinder aims to establish tools and an infrastructure prototype for capturing the full data provenance for biomolecular simulations, starting from experimental input data through to eventual publications.
- ▶ Most closely aligned with **NFDI4Chem** and **FAIRMAT**
- ▶ Will be working with MDDDB (Molecular Dynamics Data Bank) so there will be collaboration through EBI with European partners



PF5: Data to Knowledge

Lead: Dr Alin Marin Elena

- ▶ **Design and deploy hardware infrastructure** to host both training data for machine learnt interatomic potentials and the potentials
- ▶ **Proof of concept database & app:**
 - installable centrally within PSDI
 - blueprints for local installation
 - users can interrogate, download and deposit data
 - API and web interface
- ▶ **Advanced search features:** elastic search techniques
- ▶ **Integrate into ML workflows**



Alin Elena, Elliott Kasoar, Federica Zanca,
collaboration with Gábor Csányi

PF6: CCP-NC Database

Lead: Dr Sathya Sai Seetharaman

Collaborative Computational Project for NMR Crystallography (<https://www.ccpnc.ac.uk/>)

- ▶ Supports the multidisciplinary experimental NMR community with computational tools
- ▶ Recognised by International Union of Crystallography
- ▶ Created .magres file format for unified representation of crystal NMR parameters.

Pathfinder Objectives

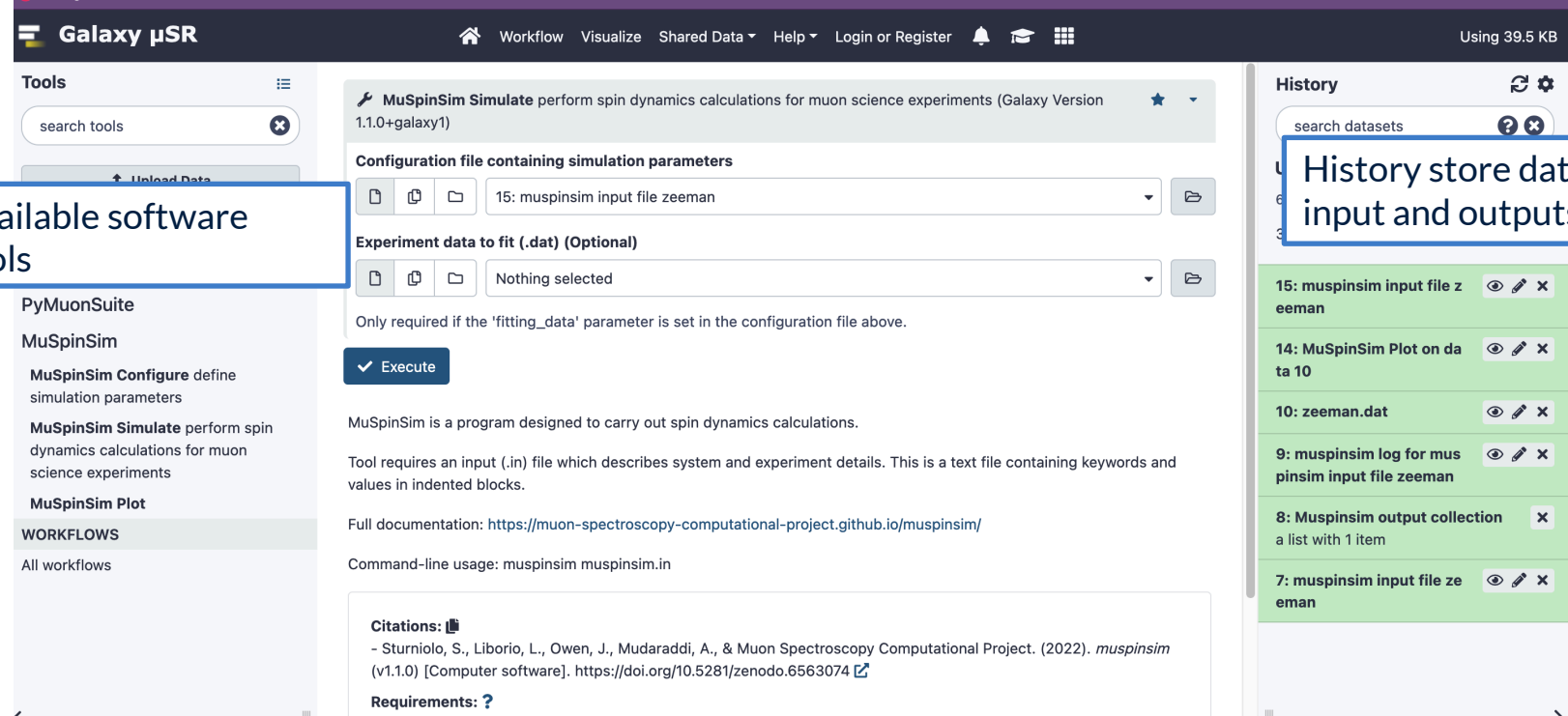
- ▶ Improving the current CCP-NC magres database (<https://www.ccpnc.ac.uk/database/>)
- ▶ Development of a state-of-the art database (version 2)

Productive discussion with NOMAD about potential collaboration:

- ▶ Magres database support
 - ▶ Initial discussions about magres file parser support
 - ▶ Add functionality for QE/CASTEP -> magres workflows
 - ▶ CCP-NC magres database – support to legacy data
- ▶ Adding NMR specific searchability within NOMAD
- ▶ Potential extension of services to NMR experimental community
- ▶ Data visualisation support in-line with CCP-NC tool standards
- ▶ Potential CCP-NC – NOMAD collaborative development



Lead: Dr Leandro Liborio



Available software tools

History store data files: input and outputs



<https://galaxyproject.org/>

Muon Experiments

- Muon experiments are performed at the Rutherford Appleton Lab, STFC, UK.
- Develop software tools for interpretation of those muon experiments.
- Tools based on computing simulations, i.e.: DFT.
- Created associated Galaxy tools and Galaxy instance.
- Use the Galaxy platform to manage the workflows resulting from the tools.

X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy (XAS) Experiments

- XAS experiments are performed at the Rutherford Appleton Lab, STFC, UK. Catalysis-related experiments.
- Software tools for processing experimental data already available.
- Created associated Galaxy tools and Galaxy instance.
- Use the Galaxy platform to manage the workflows resulting from the tools

Potential Collaborations/Alignment Between PF7 and NFDI

NFDI4Cat

- ▶ Present galaxy tools as a complementary method for processing workflows. Currently working with A. Nieva de la Hidalga (Pathfinder 1) on galaxy for catalysis experiments.



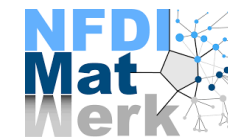
DAPHNE4NFDI

- ▶ Task area 3 from DAPHNE4NFDI refers to “Infrastructure for Data and Software Reuse”. Galaxy is an open, web-based platform for accessible, reproducible, and transparent computational research.
- ▶ We are collaborating with colleagues from Oak Ridge National Lab on Galaxy tools for neutron science.
- ▶ We are working with the Diamond Light Source on Galaxy tools for x-ray experiments.



NFDI MatWerk

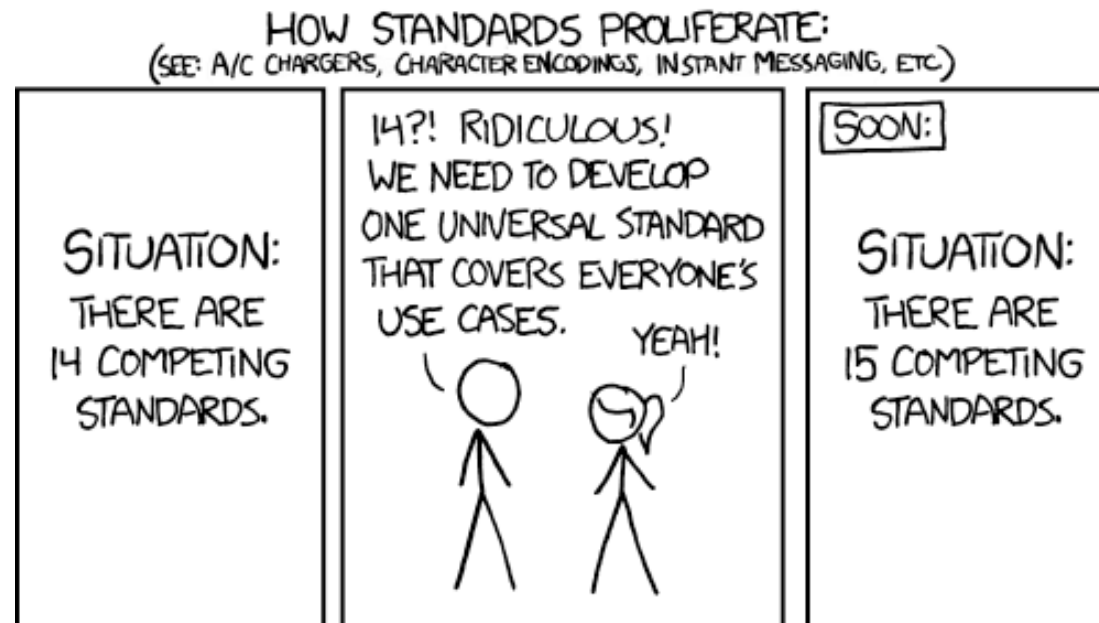
- ▶ IUC05 Digital infrastructure and workflows for labs.
- ▶ PP13 Tomography and Microstructure-based Modelling.



- ▶ *“a workflow for the transfer of tomography data to related multi-scale simulations will be established”.*
- ▶ IUC15 Method- and scale-bridging workflows and data structures for tomography.
“Materials tomography methods and resulting data vary strongly depending on the method used, the experimental approach and the workflow for post-processing. Currently, there is no established protocol which would allow to conduct all necessary steps in a well-defined manner. The resulting data from different methods are therefore not interconnected and workflows are intransparent.”

Cross Project Topics

- ▶ Best practices
- ▶ Skills / Training
- ▶ Standards
 - ▶ Files formats
 - ▶ Metadata
- ▶ Publishing / Sharing
- ▶ Semantics / Ontologies



XKCD – Standards, <https://xkcd.com/927/> -Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial 2.5 License

Physical Sciences Data Infrastructure

An Integrated Data Infrastructure for the Physical Sciences

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Any Questions?



Please do contact our researchers directly

They just love to talk about our work!