

Cluster Analysis of Open Research Data: a Case for Replication Metadata

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Journal





- A free and open-source software platform to archive, share, and cite research data
- Focus on data sharing and making data available

80 institutions around the globe run Dataverse installations as their official data repository



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Replication Data for: How Political Parties Shape Public Opinion in the Real World

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	react when their party changes its position on a major issue in the real world. We present a rare quasi-experimental panel study of how citizens responded when their political party suddenly		
	reversed its position on two major and salient welfare issues in Denmark. With a five-wave panel		
	survey collected just around these two events, we show that citizens' policy opinions changed immediately and substantially when their party switched its policy positioneven when the new		
	position went against citizens' previously held views. These findings advance the current, largely		
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Subject 😡	Social sciences		
Keyword 🥹	Party cues, Political parties, Elite influence, Motivated reasoning, Polarization, Public opinion, Panel survey		
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	successful execution of code. The verification process was carried out by the Odum Institute for		
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FAIR principles

Findable	Describe data in metadata, assign DOI Metadata record is shared in data repository
Accessible	Accessible but not necessarily open Standard access protocol
Interoperable	File format open or proprietary Description of data elements
Reusable	License and usage rights Data provenance

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Key problems

- 1. Data and software licensing
- 2. Attribution for software contributors
- 3. Support for new types of files (i.e., container and workflow files)
- 4. Facilitating software deposit for computational reproducibility
- 5. Documentation and transparency of research results

Every year we observe higher share of datasets with research code

Research code is code files (or scripts) developed by researchers with a goal of obtaining scientific insights

Percentage of datasets with code per year on the Harvard Dataverse repository



Codemeta

- Specialized metadata schema for research code based on schema.org
- Code attribution for its developers
- Code licensing (different from data licensing)



The CodeMeta Project

Motivation

Research relies heavily on scientific software, and a large and growing fraction of researchers are engaged in developing software as part of their own research (Hannay et al 2009). Despite this, *infrastructure to support the preservation, discovery, reuse, and attribution of software* lags substantially behind that of other research products such as journal articles and research data. This lag is driven not so much by a lack of technology as it is by a lack of unity: existing mechanisms to archive, document, index, share, discover, and cite software contributions are heterogeneous among both disciplines and archives and rarely meet best practices (Howison 2015). Fortunately, a rapidly growing movement to improve preservation, discovery, reuse and attribution of academic software is now underway: a recent NIH report, conferences and working groups of FORCE11, WSSSPE & Software Sustainability



What is the nature of open research data?

Cluster analysis of Dataverse datasets

- The goal is to identify common groups of datasets to inform future developments on metadata
- For instance, we expect to see clusters of:
 - Data & code bundles
 - Code & text files (ie, software)
- Sample size: 45,000 datasets from Harvard Dataverse

Replication dataset

Distribution of dataset sizes



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Number of files per dataset



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Dataset contains documentation (readme, codebook or instructions)?



Input data

	id	year	mime
0	10.7910/DVN/00234	2014.0	application/zip
1	10.7910/DVN/00234	2014.0	application/zip
2	10.7910/DVN/00234	2014.0	text/plain;
3	10.7910/DVN/0049230	2014.0	application/pdf
4	10.7910/DVN/0049230	2014.0	application/vnd.ms-excel

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3	10.7910/DVN/0049230	2014.0	application/pdf
4	10.7910/DVN/0049230	2014.0	application/vnd.ms-excel

DOI: 10.7910/DVN/03823

List of files

text/csv
text/tsv
text/x-python
text/x-python
application/pdf



Dataset representation

DOI	Code	Data	Document	Img.	Text
10.7910/DVN/007GT	0	5	0	0	0
10.7910/DVN/00CIUU	11	9	0	0	0
10.7910/DVN/00IT1L	6	3	1	0	5
10.7910/DVN/00KDYS	0	9	1	0	0
10.7910/DVN/00ROYZ	0	7	0	0	0

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Clustering is a statistical technique where natural grouping within a set are determined, such that the items in each group exhibit more similarly to one another than to items in other groups



Hopkins statistics and the multimodality test

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- Multimodality test shows multimodal pairwise distances in the data generated from multiple clusters (otherwise the distribution is unimodal)
- <u>Outcome</u>: our data is highly clusterable!

Visual assessment of (cluster) tendency

- VAT produces an image matrix that can be used for visual assessment of cluster tendency
- It computes dissimilarity matrix and reorders it so that similar objects are close to each other



Fig. 5. Results of applying the VAT algorithm to Data Set A.

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<u>Outcome</u>:



Most frequent dataset content types and their frequencies



Principal component analysis (PCA)

 An unsupervised learning approach used in exploratory analyses that reduces data from high dimensions to lower dimensions while preserving the covariance in the data.



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Implications

 Flexibility is necessary when describing existing research datasets (potentially with exception of single-type dataset, i.e., only data, or only code)



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Dataset

40% Data

40% Code

20% Document

A GitHub solution



Languages



RO-Crate as replication metadata

- A bag of references
- Provides an integrated view of resources for FAIR & reproducible research
- Captures unique identifiers, metadata and how they link together (could also include physical objects)
- Each of the packages has its own metadata

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ID? Title? Description? Who created this data? What parts does it have? When? When? What is it about? How can it be reused? As part of which project? Who funded it? How was it made?





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