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# Research Data Management in ELEMENTS

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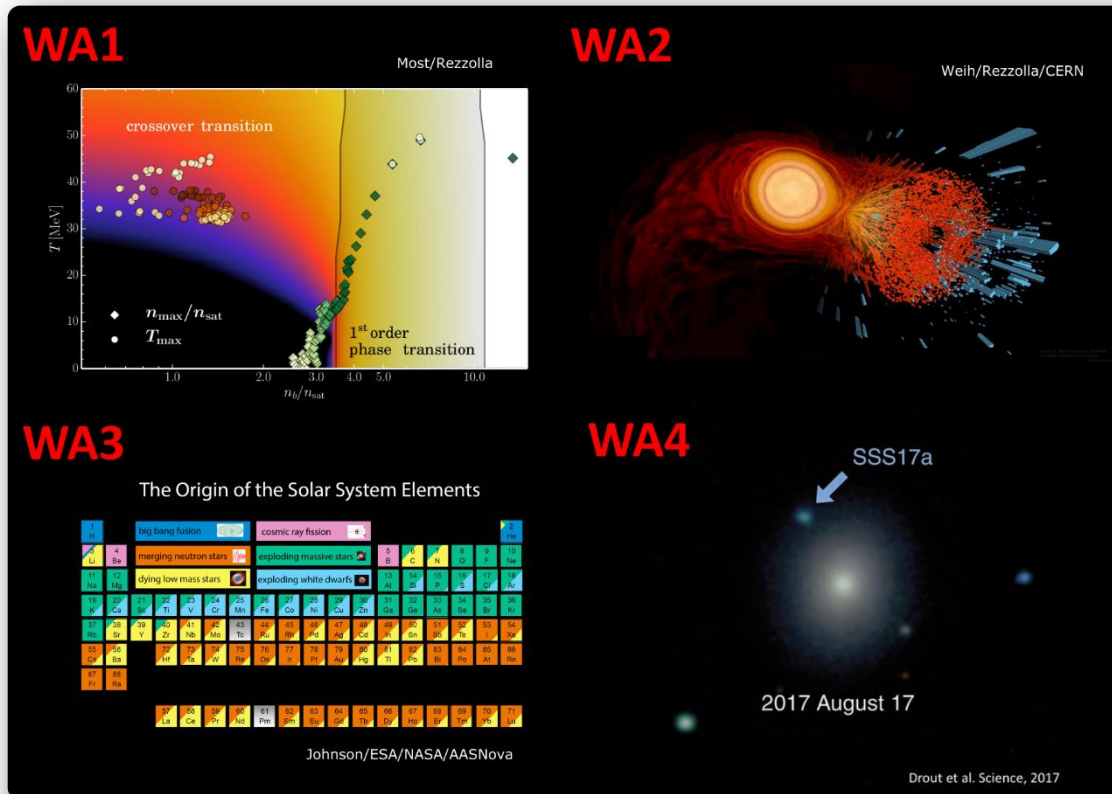
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# Research in ELEMENTS

... addresses the physics of gravity, hadrons, nuclei, and atoms with numerical simulations and accelerator-based experiments.



*From microscopic dynamics  
to the equation of state (EOS)  
of dense nuclear matter*



*From collisions of heavy ions  
to collisions of neutron stars*

*Nucleosynthesis of  
heavy elements*

*Electromagnetic signals  
from compact stars*

# Research in ELEMENTS



## Macrophysics:

- Gravitational waves
- Lightcurves and nucleosynthesis

## Microphysics:

- Matter under extreme conditions
- Nuclear and atomic reactions

## Infrastructure:

- Particle accelerators
  - GSI/FAIR & S-DALINAC

GSI/FAIR



S-DALINAC/TU Darmstadt





# What are research data?



DFG (as of December 21, 2021):

"Research data includes **measurement data**, **laboratory values**, audiovisual information, texts, survey or **observation data**, methodological test procedures and questionnaires. Compilations, **software and simulations** can equally represent a central result of scientific research and are therefore also included under the term research data."



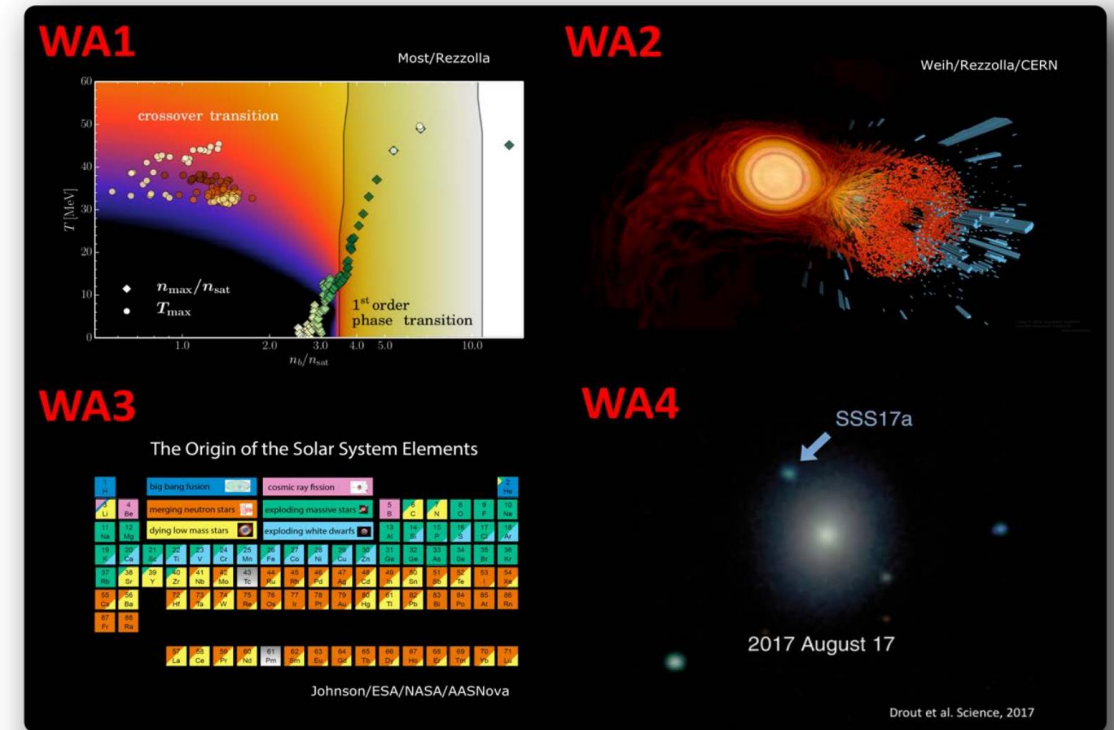
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# Research data in ELEMENTS



## Expected generated data very diverse

- measurement of raw data / signals (experiments with stable & unstable, astronomical observations, ...)
- calculation of observables with different theoretical approaches (chiral EFT, NS EOS, lattice QCD, ...)
- analysis software (Python, C++, ROOT, ...)
- visualization of data (nuclear spectra, EOS, ...)

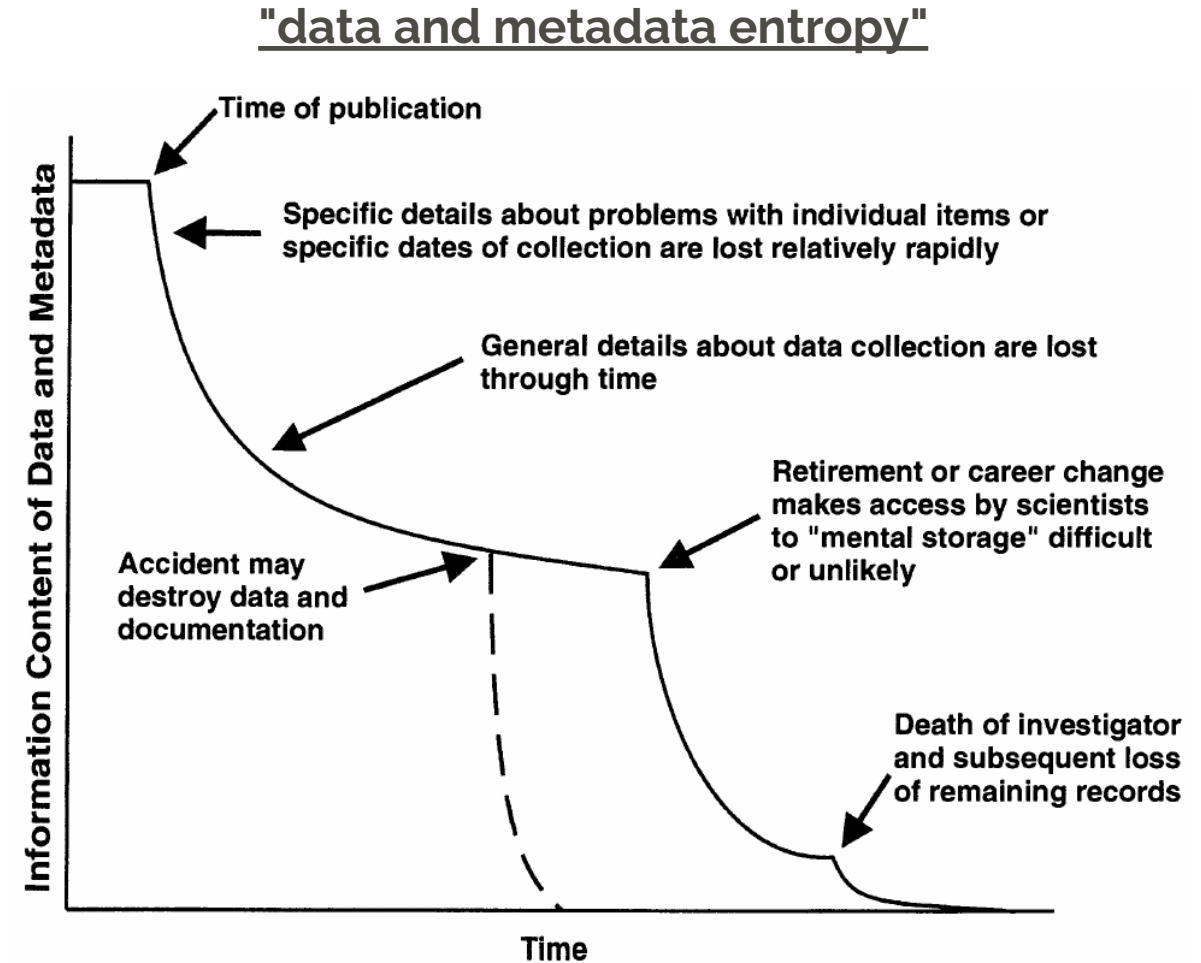


**diverse projects with huge differences in data formats,  
processing, data sizes and storage requirements**

# Why would/should we care about RDM?



- enhance attention & visibility of own research
- accessibility & reproducibility of research results
- interdisciplinary research & meta analyses
- **DFG (as of March 14, 2022): "It will now be mandatory for proposals to include details."**
- "No data set is perfect and self-explanatory"
- good documentation & instructions to specific data and metadata
- crucial to accurately interpret results and their origin (from processing, analysis, and modeling)



W. K. Michener et al., Eco. App. 7 (1997) 330-342.

# FAIR data principles



## Data and metadata should be ...



**F**indable

easy to locate, both by humans and by computer systems



**A**ccessible

archived long-term and made available in such a way that they can be easily retrieved



**I**nteroperable

available in such a format that it can be exchanged, interpreted and combined in a (semi-)automated manner with other data



**R**eusable

well described to ensure that it can be reused and properly cited for future research

M. D. Wilkinson et al., Sci Data **3** (2016) 160018. <https://doi.org/10.1038/sdata.2016.18>



# Data management plan (DMP)



tu dmo

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## TUdmo

- The tool to support the planning and implementation of research data management at TU Darmstadt.

<https://tudmo.ulb.tu-darmstadt.de/>

- systematically deal with your research data from the very beginning!
- important to make your data interpretable and reusable for later time; also for third parties
- similar platform: Goethe-RDMO (<https://rdmo.server.uni-frankfurt.de/>)

- DFG-funded software RDMO
- collaboratively create and maintain a DMP
- numerous export options, e.g., for applications and reports
- being continuously further developed



# Institutional repository of TU Darmstadt



TU | ULB | TUdata



<https://tudatalib.ulb.tu-darmstadt.de/>

- structured storage of research data and descriptive metadata (at least 10 years)
- publication of metadata and files including DOI assignment
- rights and role management

- TUdata provides 2 TB / year (free of charge) for each PI of ELEMENTS
- additional long-term archiving for 250 EUR per TB for 10-years archiving

# Open Access



Universitätsbibliothek  
J.C. Senckenberg **UB**



- Publications in ELEMENTS currently under evaluation by UB Frankfurt and ULB Darmstadt
- Challenge: How and where to publish Open Access? GU Frankfurt, TU Darmstadt, JLU Giessen and GSI?

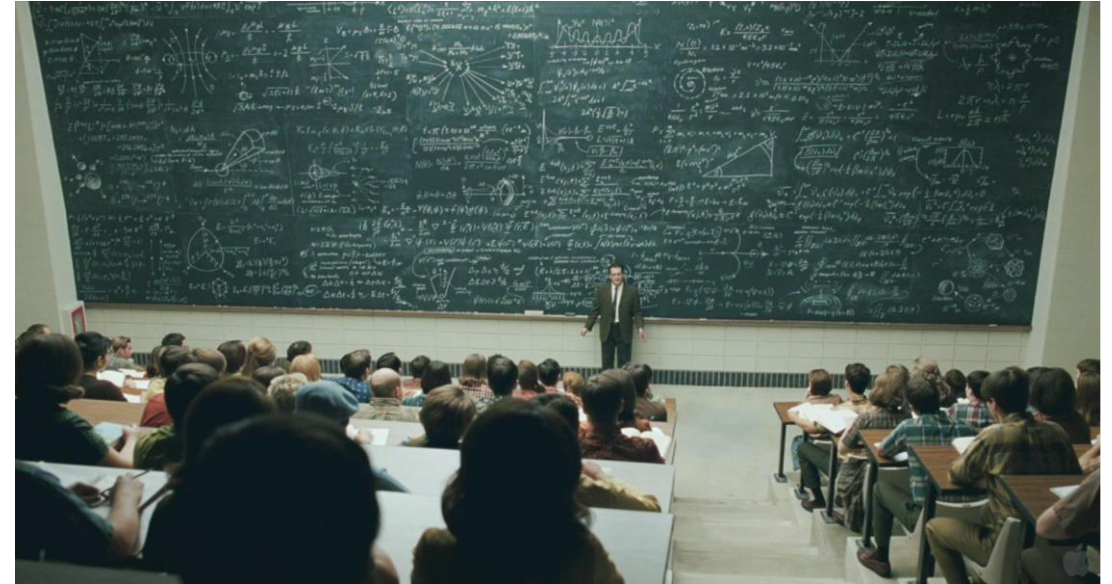


**Coordination between all institutions/universities necessary!**

# Training & education in RDM



- regular training to raise awareness for RDM
- introductory to RDM policy & common RDM tools
- "good RDM from the very beginning..."
- train students in RDM at early stage of their studies
- implement RDM in the curriculum
- theoretical basics and practical application of methods and tools



Screenshot from a scene of "A serious man", 2009.

**Make sustainable RDM common practice!**

# Challenges for RDM in ELEMENTS



## Towards a coherent RDM concept in ELEMENTS for the EXC application

- classify and standardize research data
- define common coherent data structures
- standardize metadata

- discussions within & between individual projects & work areas
- surveys on status and needs



- establish RDM plans and quality measures
- raise awareness for research-data handling
- training of ECRs in RDM policies and tools

- establish collaborations to other RDM projects
- develop training material & courses for ECRs
- implement RDM in curriculum at an early stage



- legal requirements & management
- transfer of research data to repositories

- use of existing platforms and support (tudata, tudatalib, re3data.org, ...)





# Networking with other RDM initiatives in progress



## National research data infrastructures (NFDI)

- DFG initiative to establish (inter)national coordinated network of consortia (currently 19)



NFDI consortium of particle, astro-, astroparticle, hadron and nuclear physics

## Hessian research data infrastructures (HeFDI)

- supports RDM activities at Hessian universities
- partly in collaboration with NFDI consortia



NFDI4Ing represents the engineering community.

## Digital Research Data at TU Darmstadt (TUdata)

- supports all members of the university in RDM



TU data

## Collaboration with Goethe-RDM team and to GSI