

Data management in Astrophysics

Data, Policy, standards and tools

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INTERNET,
SCIENCE,
TECHNOLOGIES...

La déferlante des OCTETS



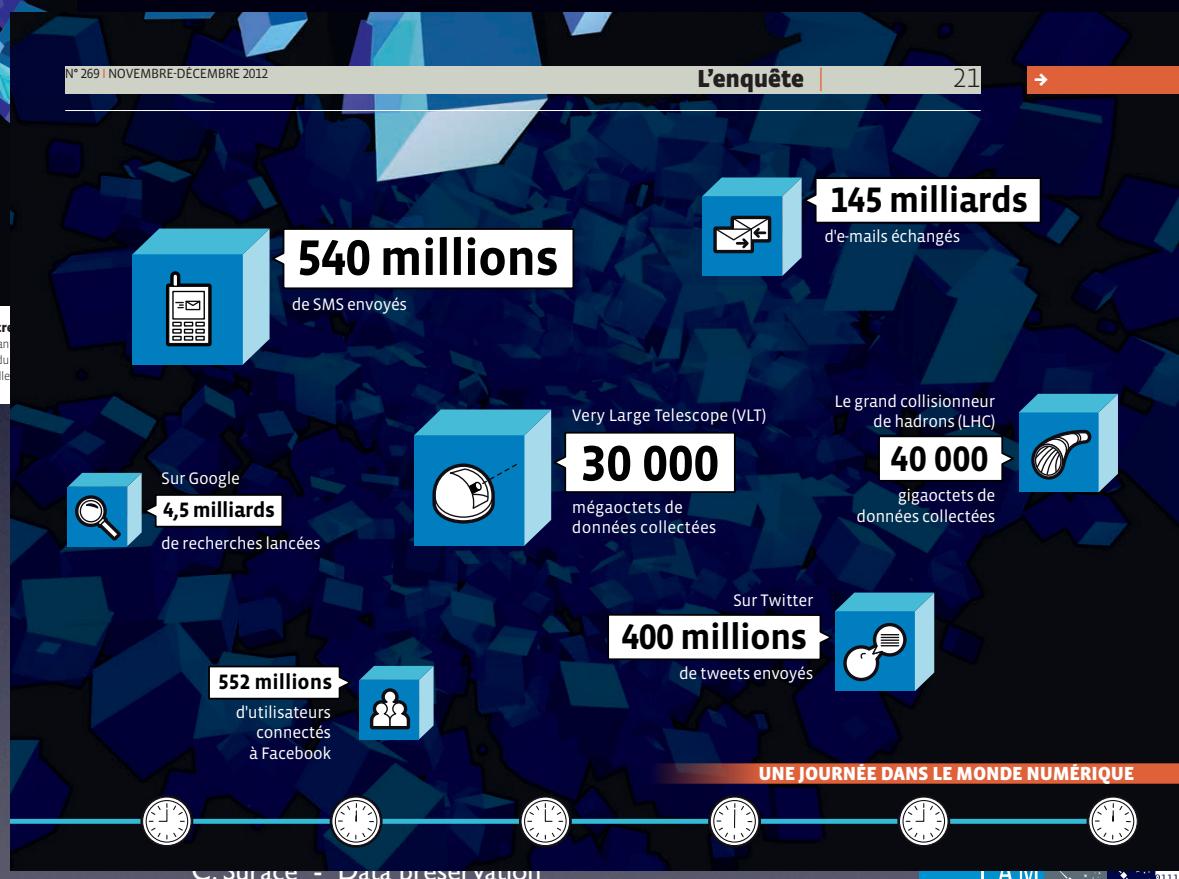
L'événement
Philippe Descola,
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du CNRS 2012

Le grand entre-
Les cinquante ans
du franco-allemand

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L'enquête

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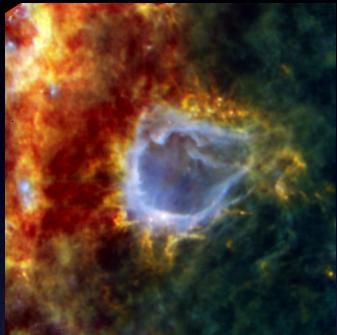
Data Characteristics

- Different providers
 - Simulators, (Millenium,...)
 - Telescopes,
 - Satellites
- Diversity
 - Different kind of products

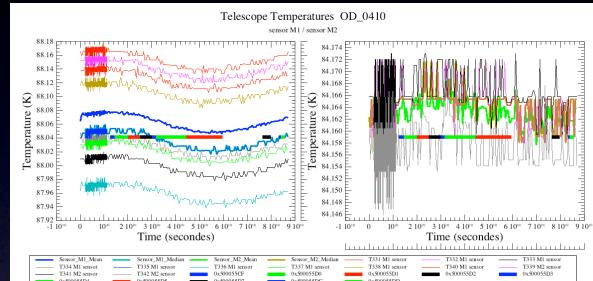


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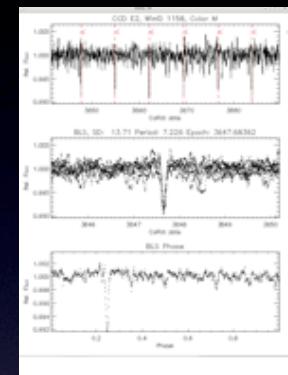
2D Images



Spectra

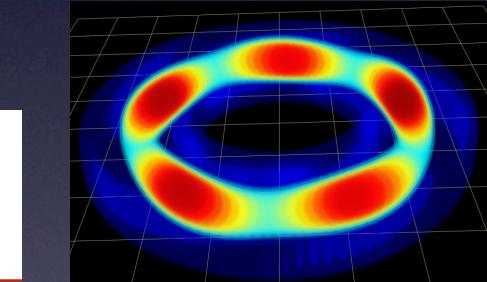


Time series

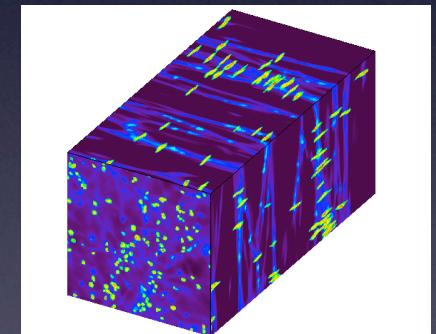


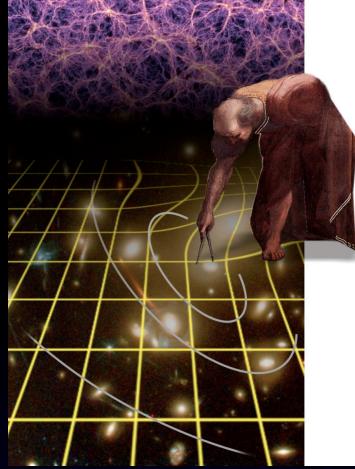
Tabular data

Simulation data

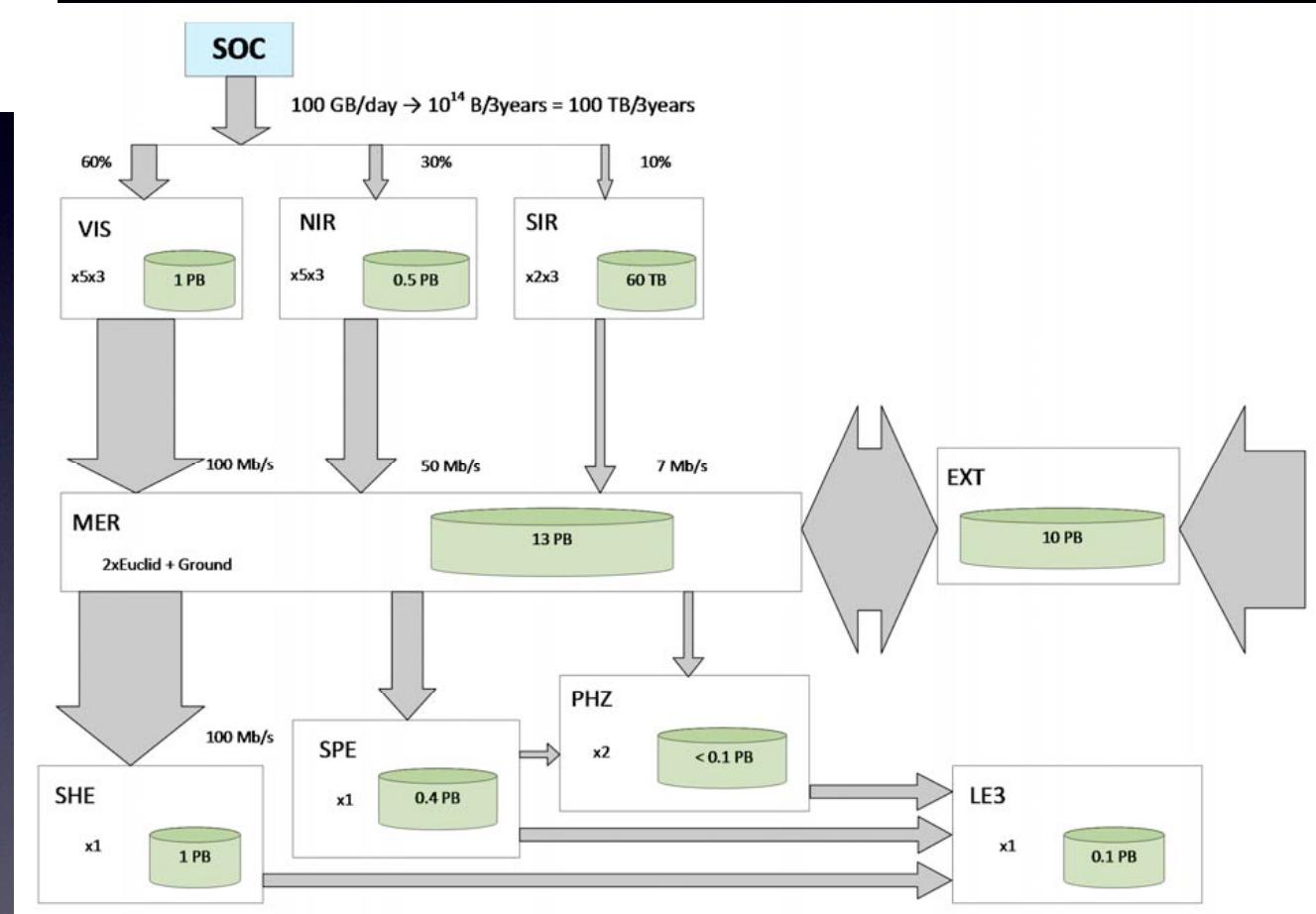


3D Cube data





Euclid



Next data

- LSST (2020) : 3 Billions pixels every 17 seconds.
 - 140 petabytes



LSST : <http://www.lsst.org/lsst/>

Pan-Starrs : <http://pan-starrs.ifa.hawaii.edu/>



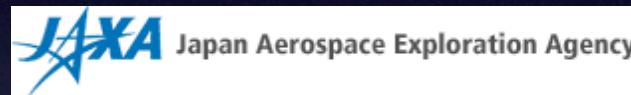
Pan-Starrs : 6,000 deg² per night.

several terabytes per night for the full telescope.
hundreds of Petabytes.

Software techniques are therefore being developed to extract the information

The actors 1

the providers and agencies



 W. M. KECK OBSERVATORY
On the summit of Mauna Kea, Island of Hawai'i

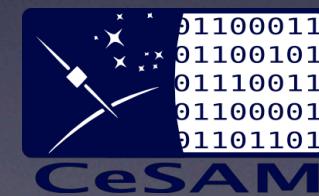
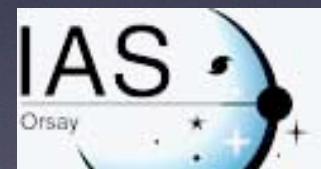


The actors 2

The international and national collaboration



The national organisations the SO-5

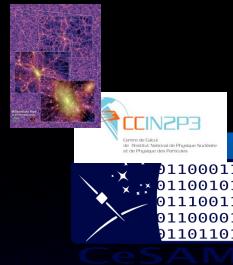


Data Levels

- Sdata - Simulation data
 - Simulated Data
- Level 0 - Raw data
 - Data from telescopes, satellites
 - stored in the Mission Operation Center
- Level 1 data
 - Data corrected from instrument features
- Level 2 data
 - Scientifically calibrated data
- Level 3 data
 - Data cross correlated with ancillary data

N
4N
0.2N
0.2N

Data Flux



Mission
Operation
Center



Sdata

<1 week

L0 data

L1 data

<1 week

L2 data

<1 month

L3 data

<1 year

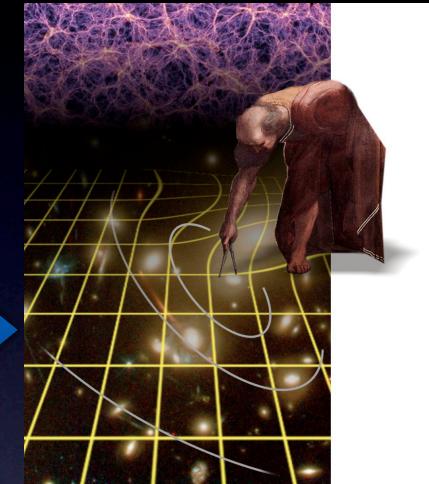
L3 data

Scientific
community

>1 year



Data Center
duration 5 to 10 years



Consortium

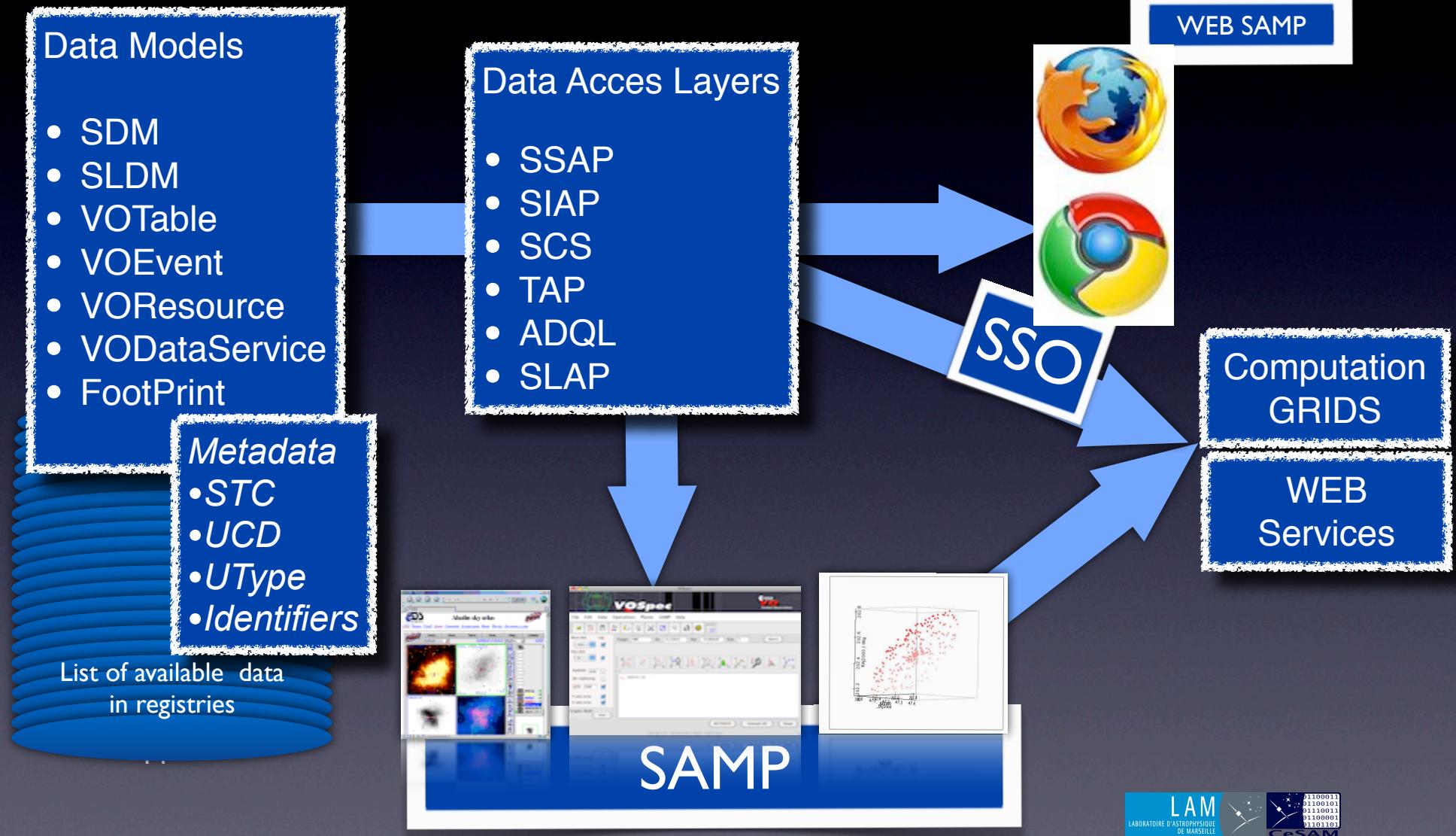
Formats and Archives

- FITS : Flexible Image Transport System
 - Initial release 1981 <http://fits.gsfc.nasa.gov>
- VO Format : Virtual Observatory formats
 - Characterisation of metadata <http://www.ivoa.net>
- Simulation formats
 - GADGET (Octree) - RAMSES (AMR) (HDF5) - GASOLINE (SPH)

VO Standards and access protocols based on XML exchange format

- DataModels
 - STC : Space Time Coordinates
 - Spectrum : describes a spectrum
 - characterisation
- in development :
 - Observation Provenance
 - VOEVENT (will replace GCN)
 - SImulation

VO Standards

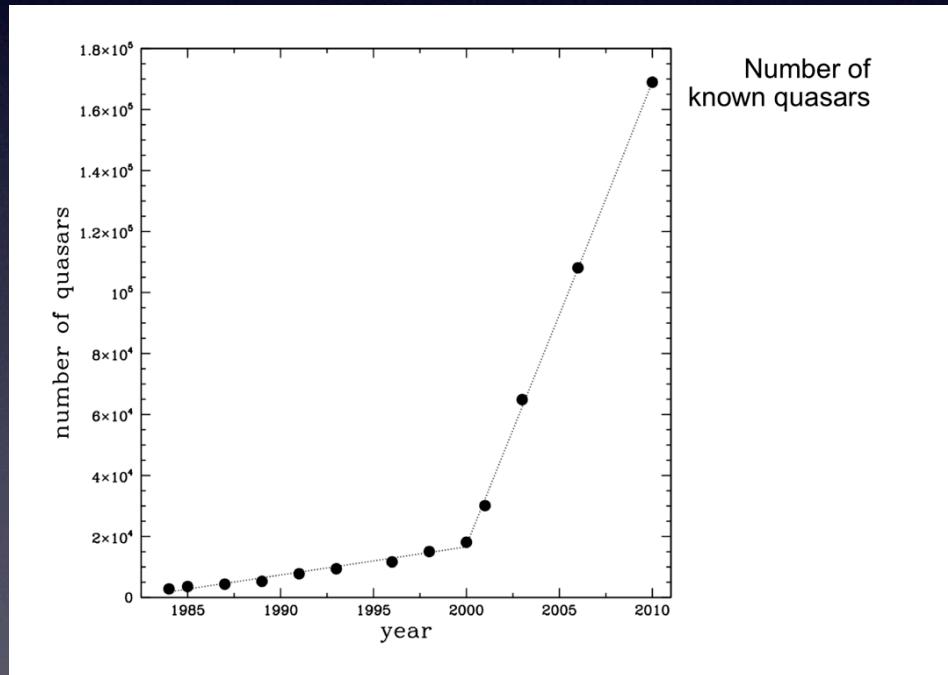


VO - Tools



Goals

- The final goal of the VO is to facilitate and foster astronomical research and astronomers are its ultimate users
- Therefore, scientific requirements should drive the IVOA process



Paolo Padovani interop meeting 2010

A non exhaustive list (from IVOA)

- Portals and queries :
 - NVO Portal Services US
National Virtual Observatory
 - DataScope Broadcast query
 - NOAO NVO Portal NOAO
Image Visualization
Discovery Tool
 - VODesktop A resource-centered desktop client for VO: includes VOExplorer, Query and Task Runner, AstroScope, Myspace Browser
 - Octet CVO Observation Catalog Exploration Tool
 - VOCat - VOIndia A catalog data interface tool
- Tabular DATA Analysis
 - VOPlot - VOIndia A tool for visualizing astronomical data
 - TOPCAT Tool for Operations on Catalogues And Tables
 - STILTS Command-line tools for table/VOTable manipulation
 - Treeview A viewer for hierarchical structures
 - VOStat - VOIndia A tool for statistical analysis of astronomical data

What else

- PRO
 - easier and easier to use
 - more and more data
 - scientific goals drive technical developments
- TO IMPROVE
 - Quality
 - Curation
 - Semantics
 - High performance computing
- TODO :
 - include ALL data
 - easy to use portals (<http://cdsportal.u-strasbg.fr/>)
 - SEDs, Photometry
 - Data Mining (AMADEUS - Mastosdons)
 - ObsTAP
 - Promising cloud computing

Preservation Environment

- preservation of data
 - FITs, VO, GADGET,... and Archives
- preservation of accessibility of data
 - VO, Web Services and tools
- preservation of discovery capabilities
 - Data Mining, Data Visualisation
- preservation of knowledge
 - WF4ever (<http://www.wf4ever-project.org/>) / VO Workflow - Patterns

