

SURF Data Repository

Long-term preservation of large-scale research data sets



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Data Repository in a nutshell

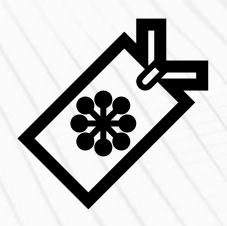
- * B2SHARE-like repository service by SURF, the Netherlands
- * Optimized for large-scale research data sets
- * Domain-agnostic, supports any community

* And:

- * Self-service platform with roles
- * Basket functionality for automated large-scale downloads
- * Proximity with compute and other storage infrastructures
- * Indexation by metadata catalogues, PIDs and DOIs
- * REST API for automation



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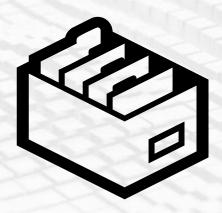
" I want to **publish** my very large dataset in a **trustful** repository"



"I need automated publishing of my data but only to specific people"



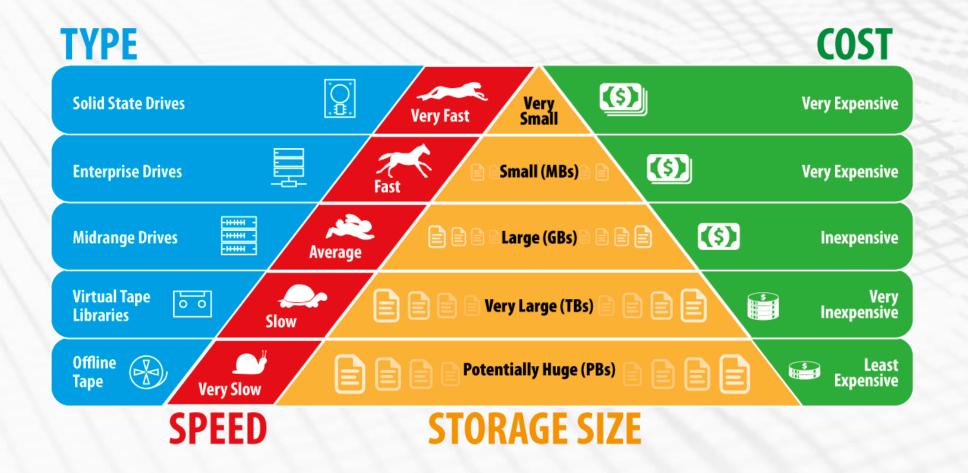
" My dataset should have a **PID** and **metadata** attached, and should be publicly **available** for 10 years"



"I want to **manage** my own collections, schemas and publications"



Storage trade-offs





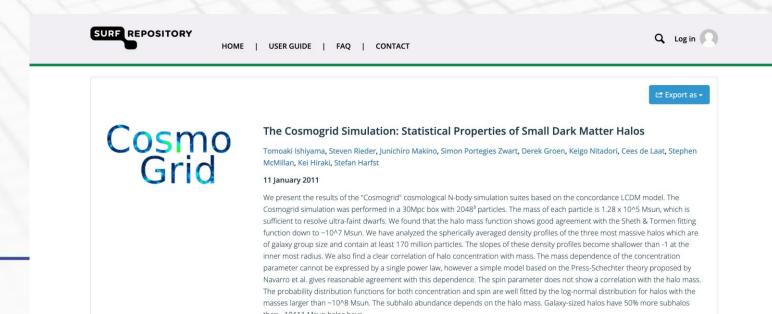
- * Storage on tape-based infrastructure:
 - * Online and offline files => optimized for cost-efficiency
 - * Data not continuously directly available
- * Storage on fast horizontal scaling infrastructure
 - * Data directly available anytime
- * Metadata is <u>always</u> accessible



- * Structured approach: communities with schemas, collections and deposits
- * Community with policies and administrative roles
- * Landing page for every object
- * EPIC PIDs for objects and files
- * DOIs for collections and deposits (if required)

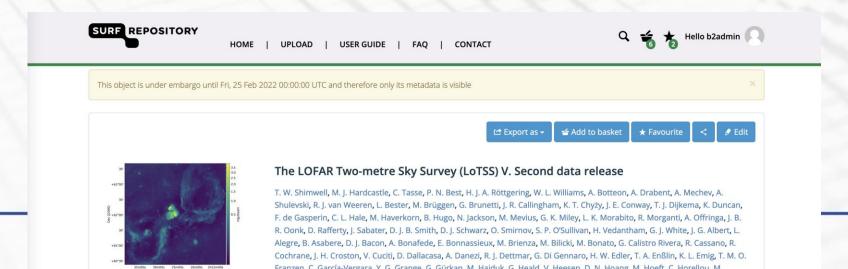


- * Publication of CosmoGrid cosmological simulations (2018)
 - * Data volume of 100 TB, already residing in Data Archive of SURF
 - * Structured using 1 collection containing >700 deposits
 - * Development of community & metadata schema
 - * Close collaboration with researchers





- * Publication of LoTSS-DR2 research data set (2022, under embargo)
 - * Data volume of 150 TB using two storage infrastructures
 - * Structured using 1 collection containing >800 deposits
 - * Development of community & metadata schema
 - * Close collaboration with researchers
 - * Development of new functionality as needed





* Virtual access via DICE until June 30th, 2023

* Subsidized access for Dutch research institutes

* Contractual access for any other research institute



* Storage: bitwise preservation

- * Curation level: basic curation
 - * Secure storage of files and related data
 - * Pre-publication structuring, file format migration and schema building
 - * Annotation and basic checks on metadata
 - * Metadata versioning



- * Data Repository adheres to internal Long-term Preservation (LTP) Policy:
 - * Dual storage of all files
 - * Checksum and fixity checks
 - * Storage medium migration
 - * Continuous monitoring
 - * Data set content curation upon request

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