

# THE MATERIALS DATA CURATION SYSTEM

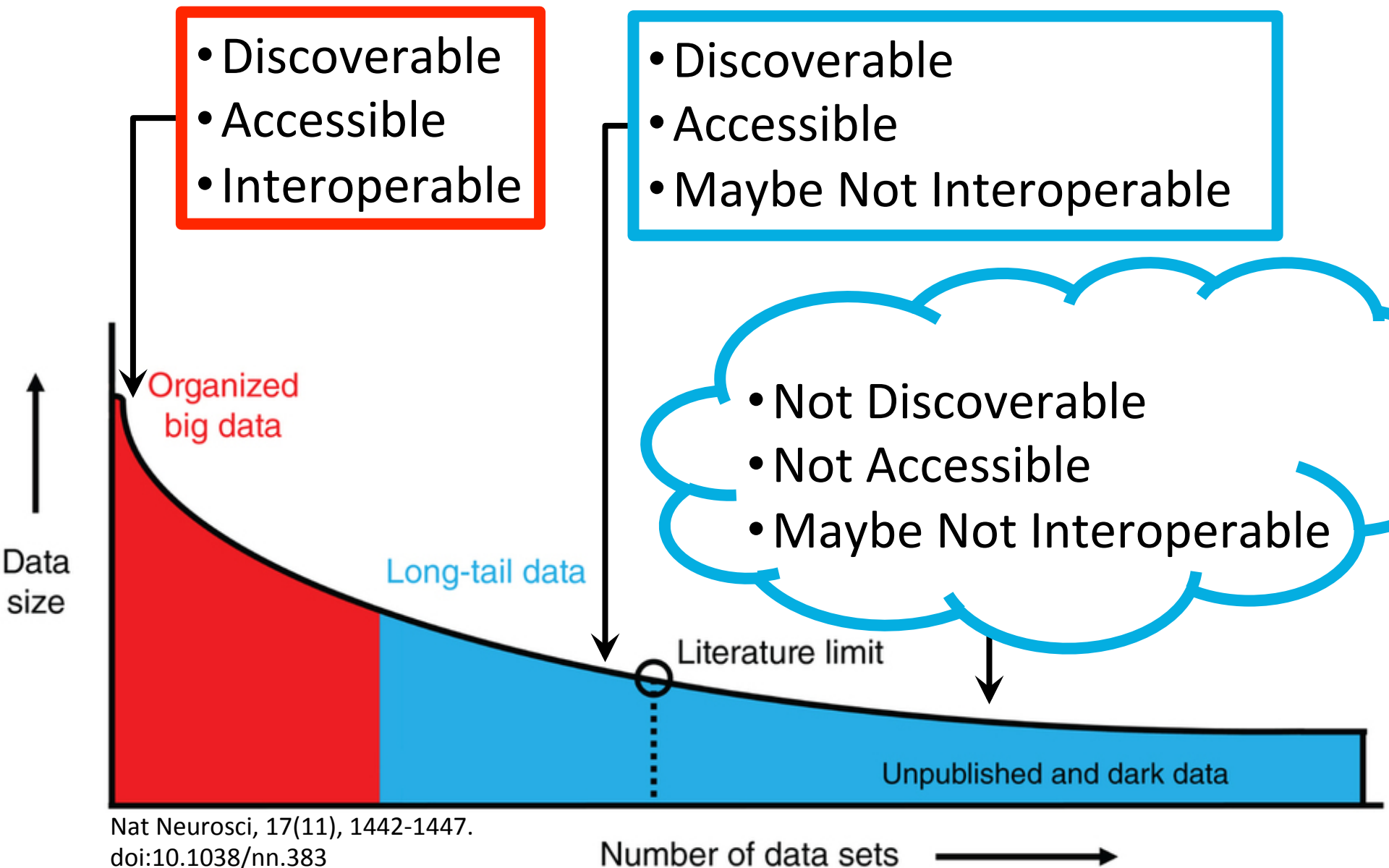
A PRACTICAL APPROACH TO THE LONG  
TAIL OF MATERIALS DATA AND METADATA

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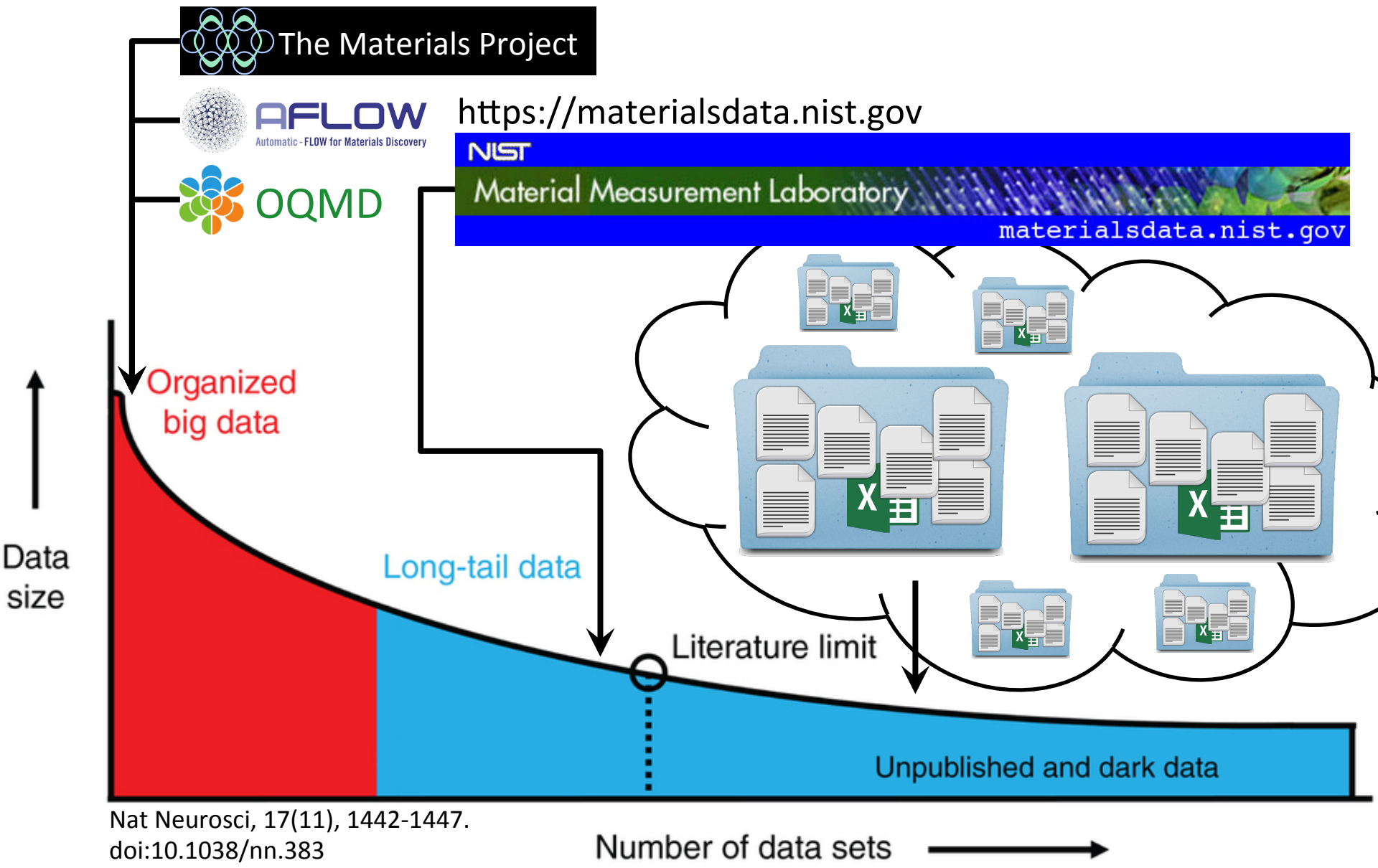
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# Materials Data



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# Materials Data Curation System

## Configurable Interface

### Data Management & Search Engine



Structured  
Data

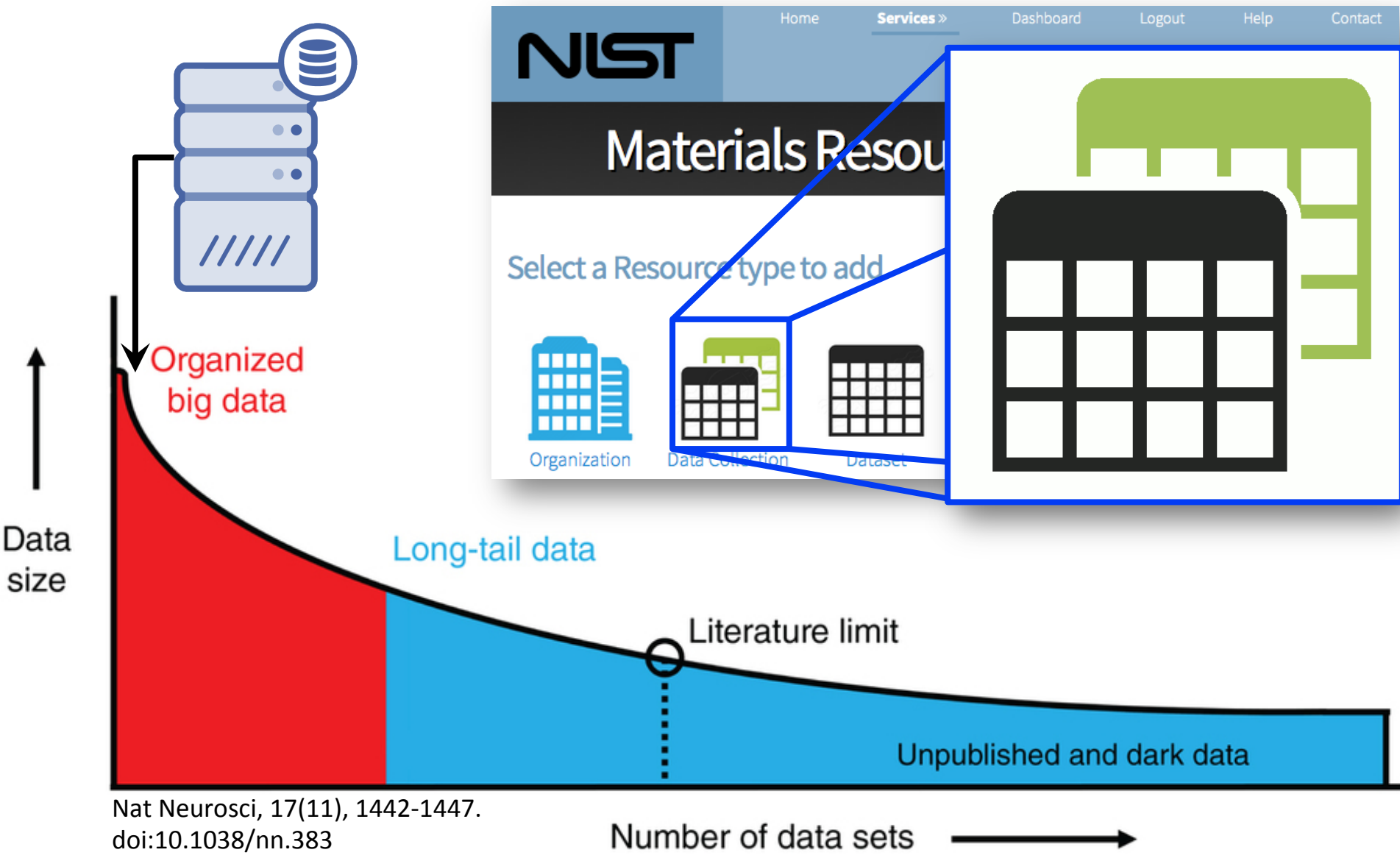


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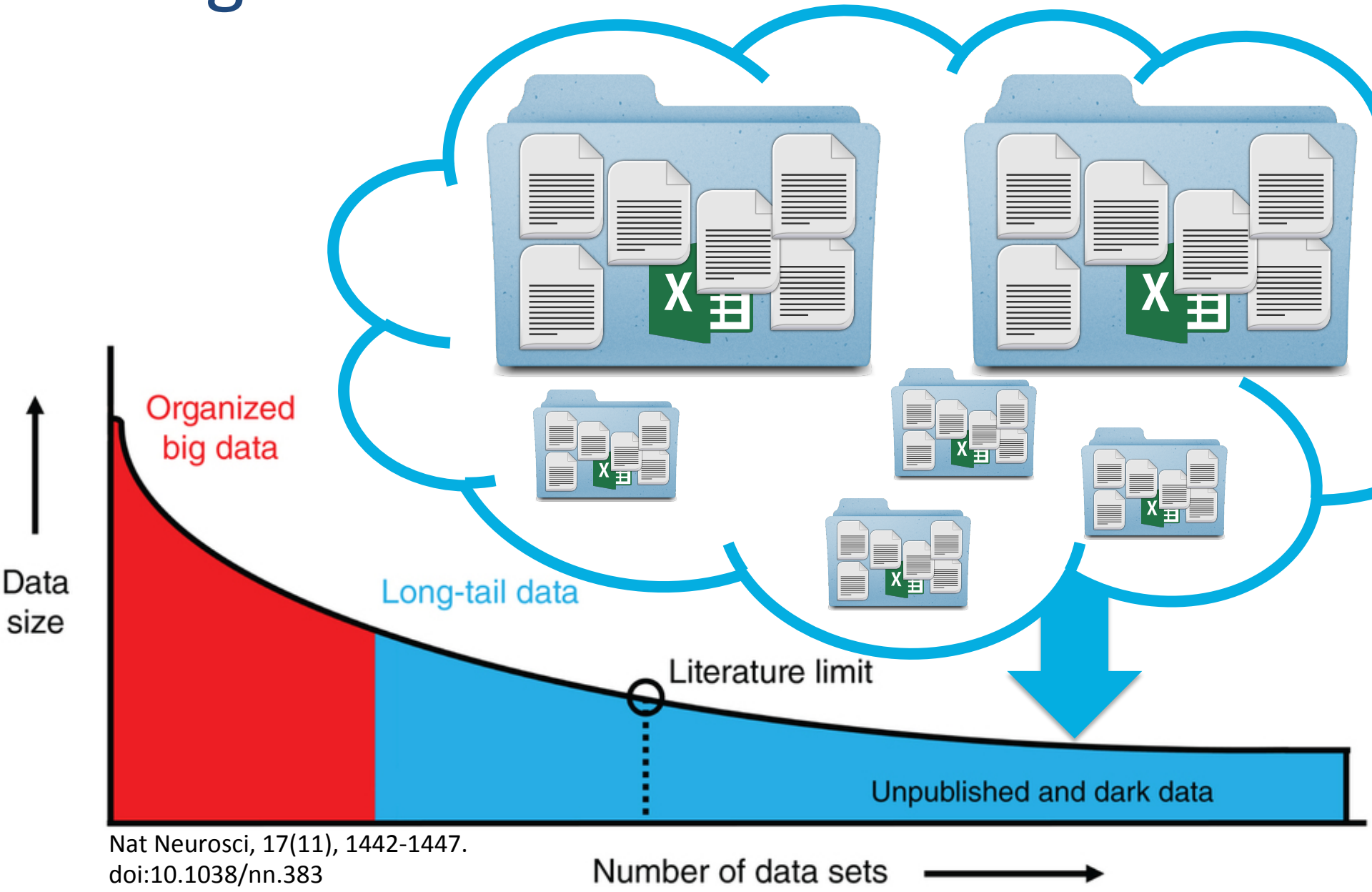




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# Long Tail

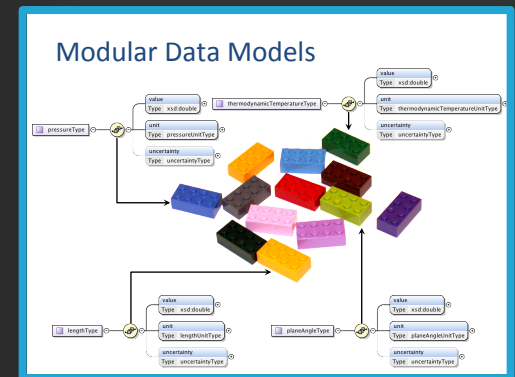
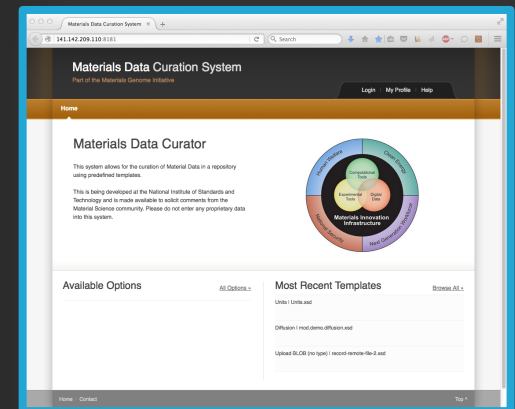
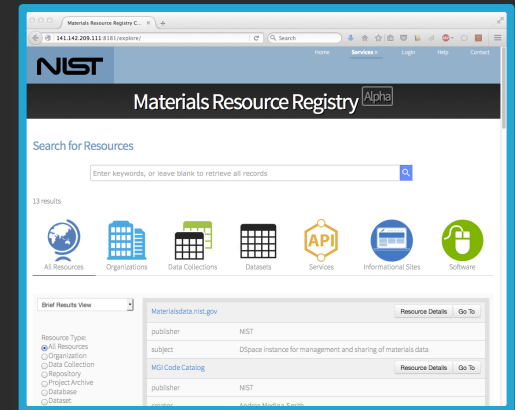


# NIST MGI APPROACH TO LONG TAIL DATA

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(via the Registry)  
<https://mgi.nist.gov/Zkp>

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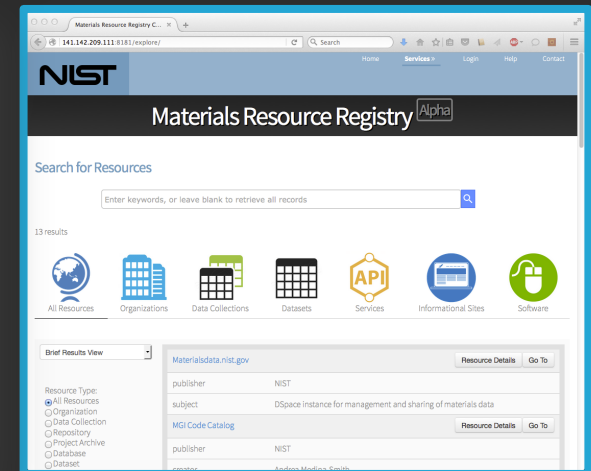
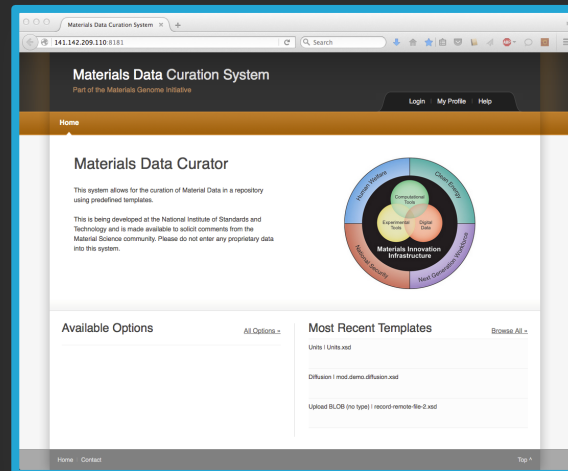
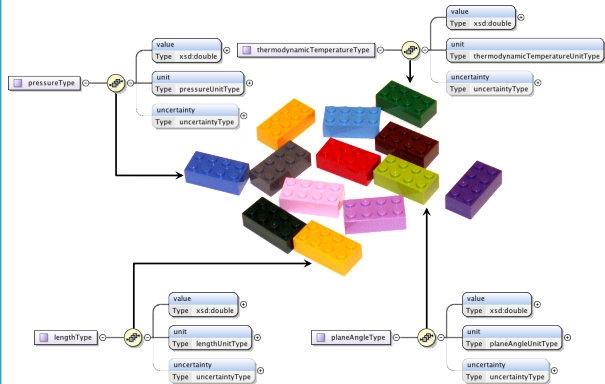
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► Come Talk to Us

► Organize a Domain Workshops:

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## Modular Data Models



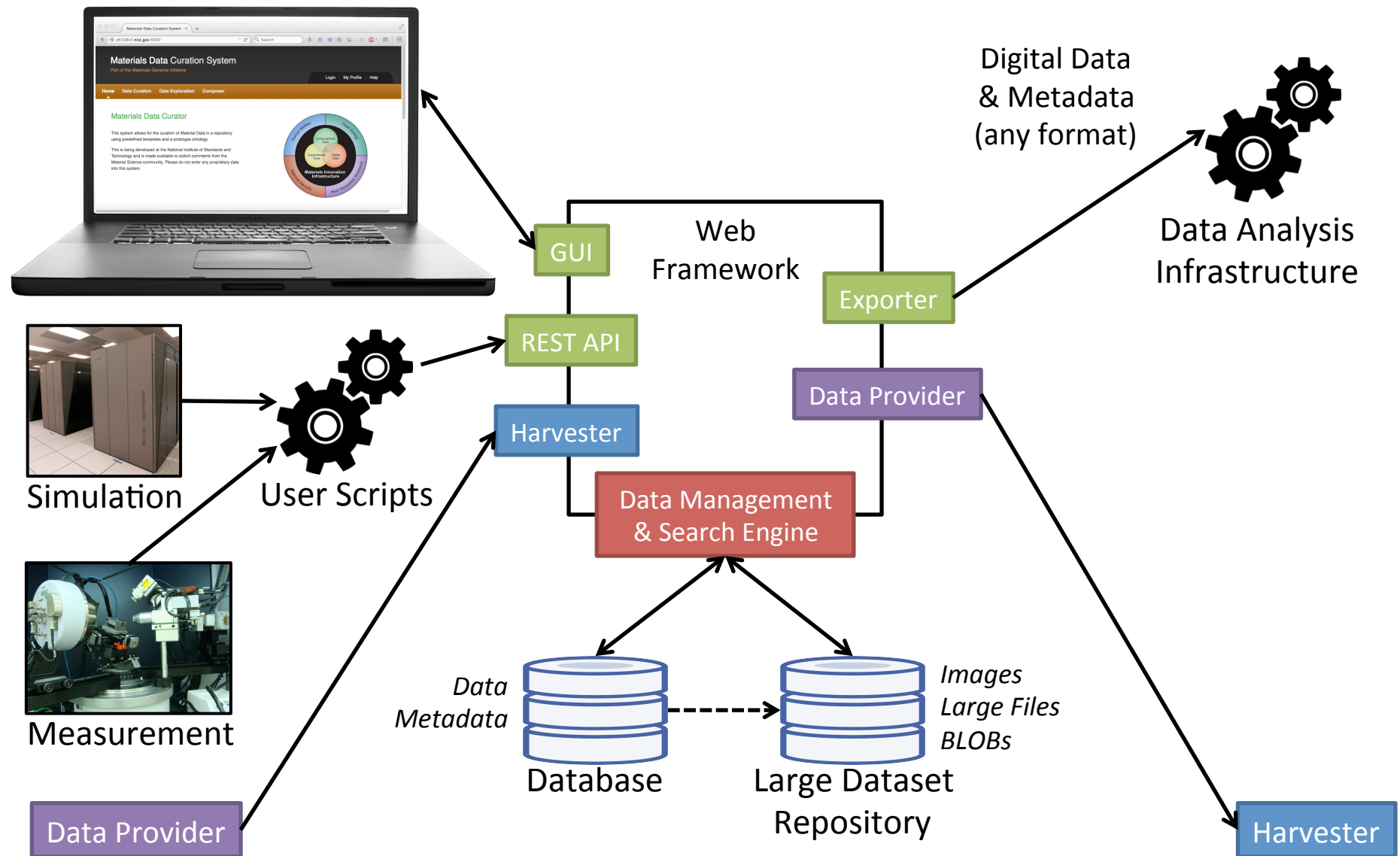
# DESIGN OF THE CURATOR

# REQUIREMENT #1

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Materials researchers require a platform for interoperable exchange of materials data and metadata, which supports an approach of modular community-developed data standards.

# Overall Design



# Web Interface

Summer  
Undergraduate  
Researcher



Credit: <http://www.jeolusa.com>

• quantity-unit mole fraction

• composition

Select Elements

Element	Quantity
Ni	.75
Al	.25

core

material

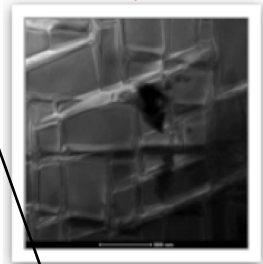
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Al	.25	.999	0.05

Sample 3?



Sample-3.jpg














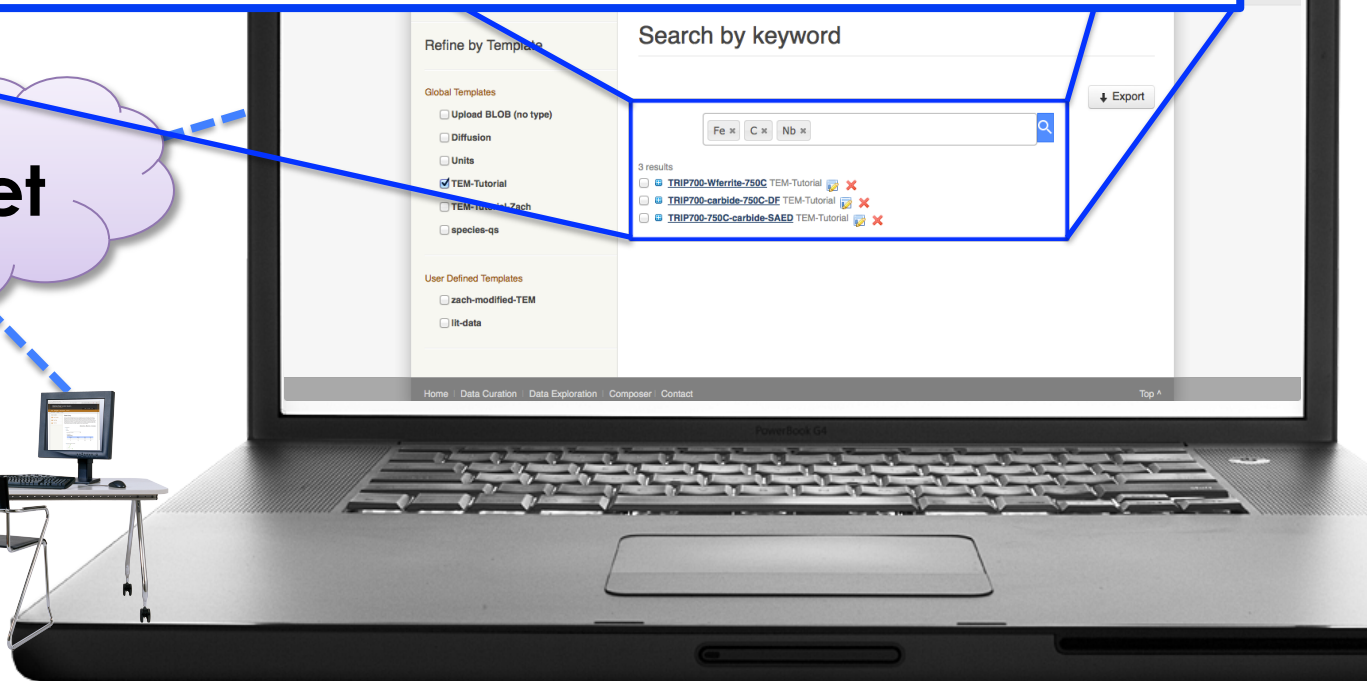
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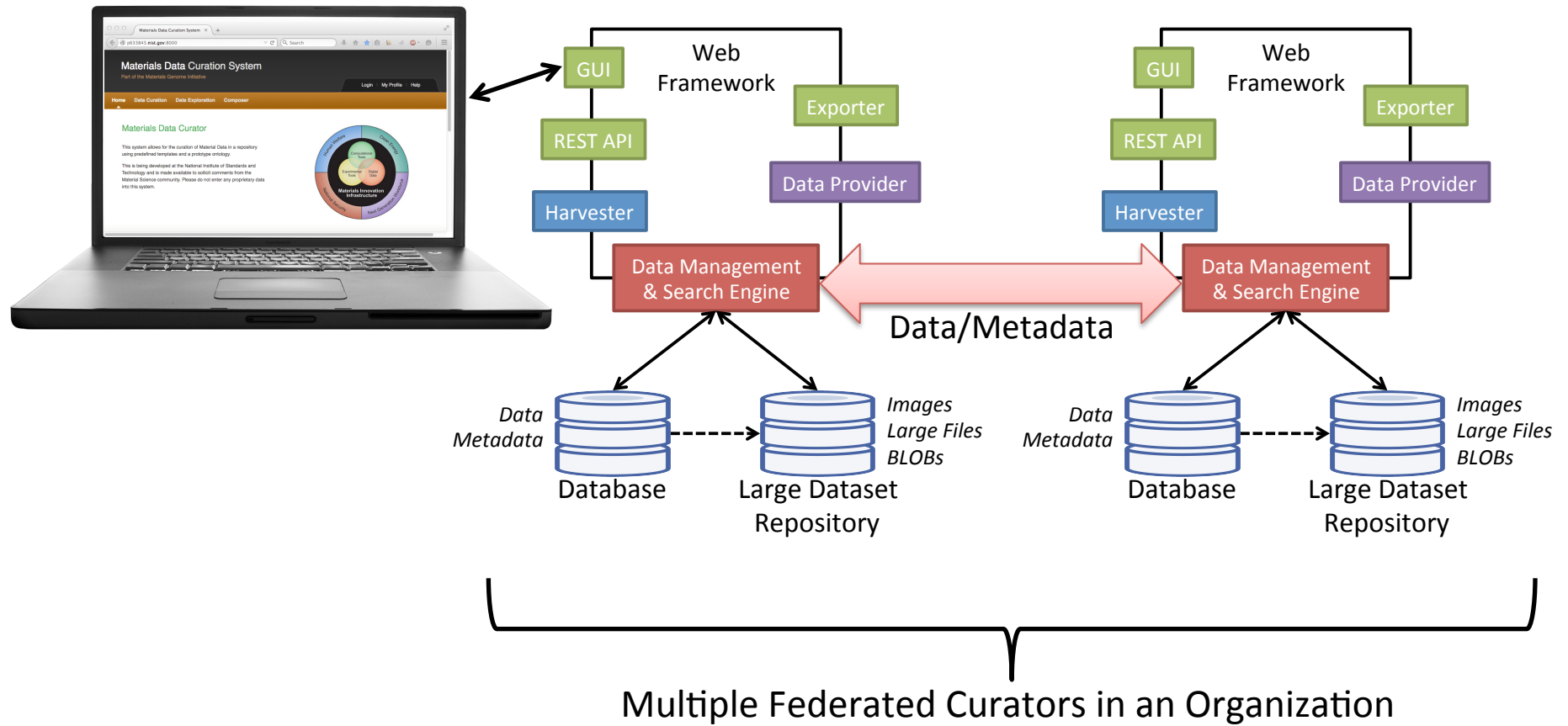
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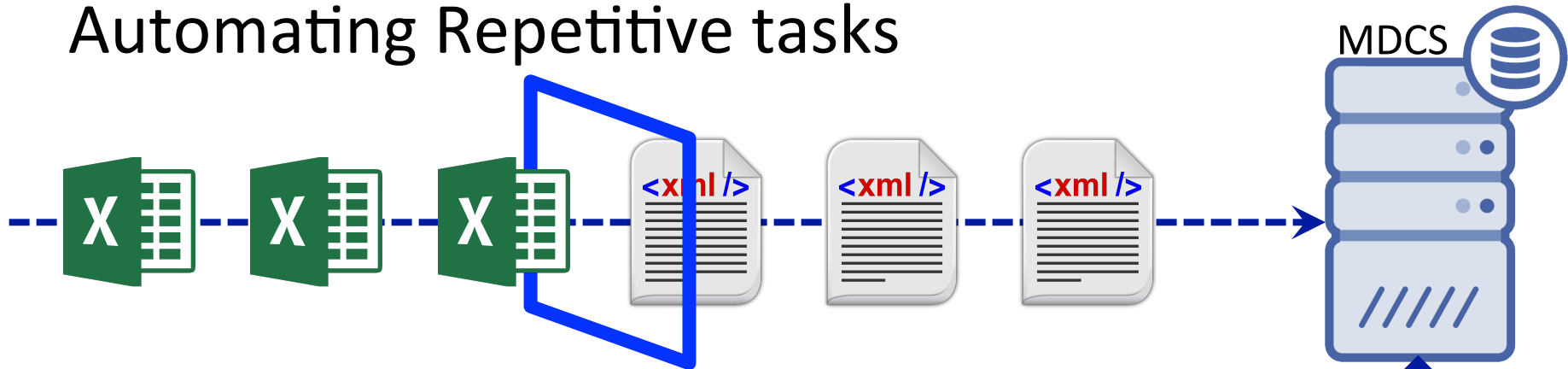


# Federated Search



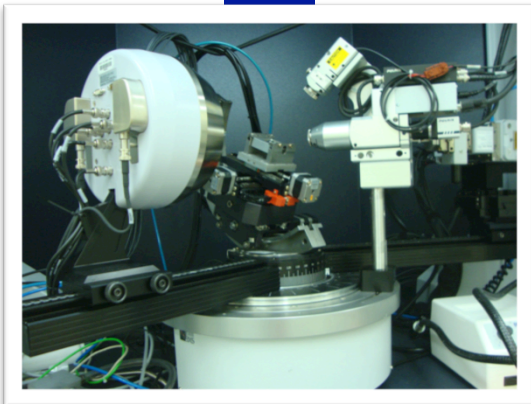
# Application Programming Interface

Automating Repetitive tasks



Integration with equipment

Automated Capture



# Complement Community Standards

**Community could develop a schema and deploy:**

- Repository for microstructure HDF5 Files

DREAM.3D

- Repository for electron microscopy HDF5 Files

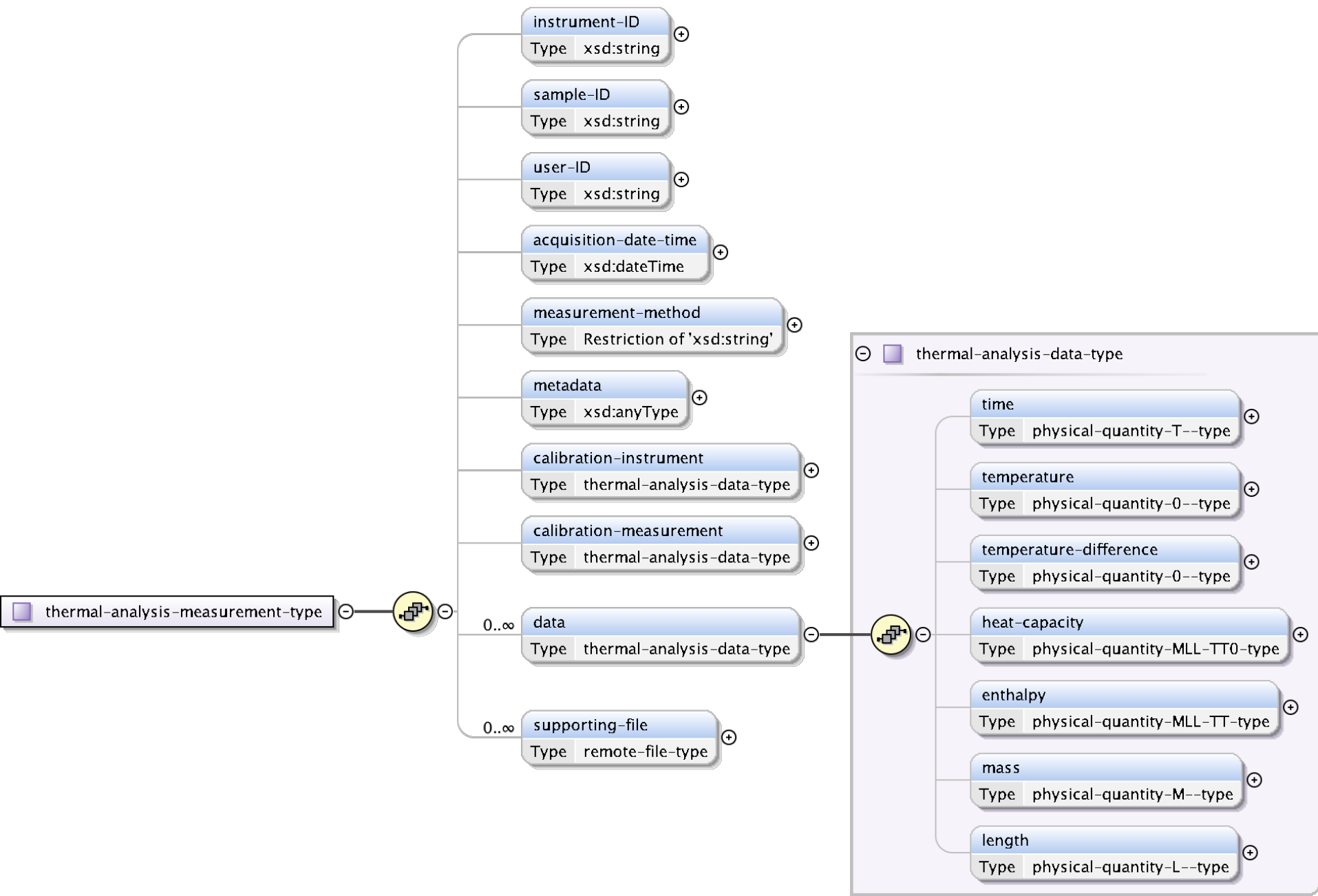


- Repository for diffraction files HDF5 Files

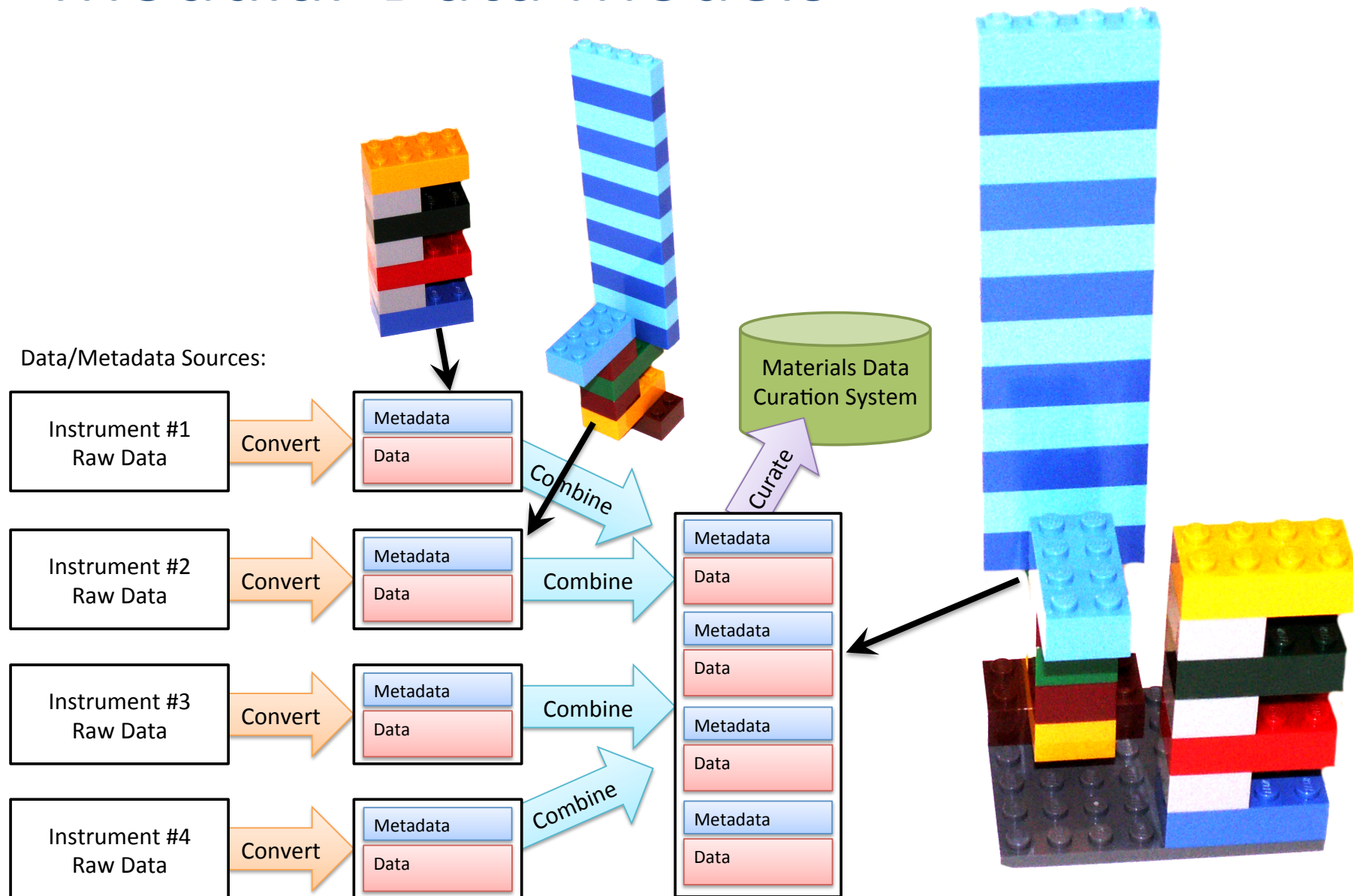
**Enable Discovery and Access of Data  
in Existing Standardized Formats**

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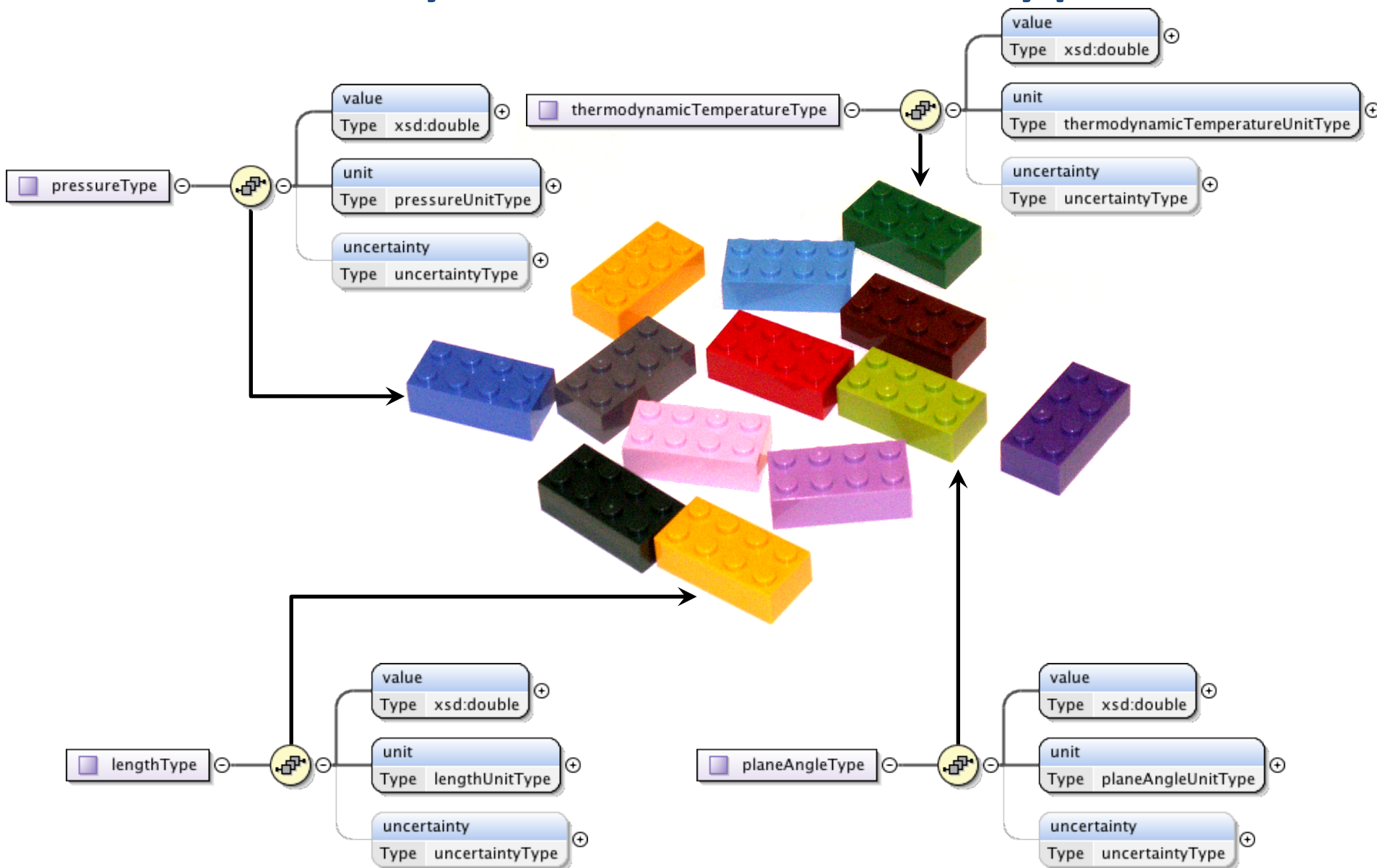
# Development of New Community Standards



# Modular Data Models

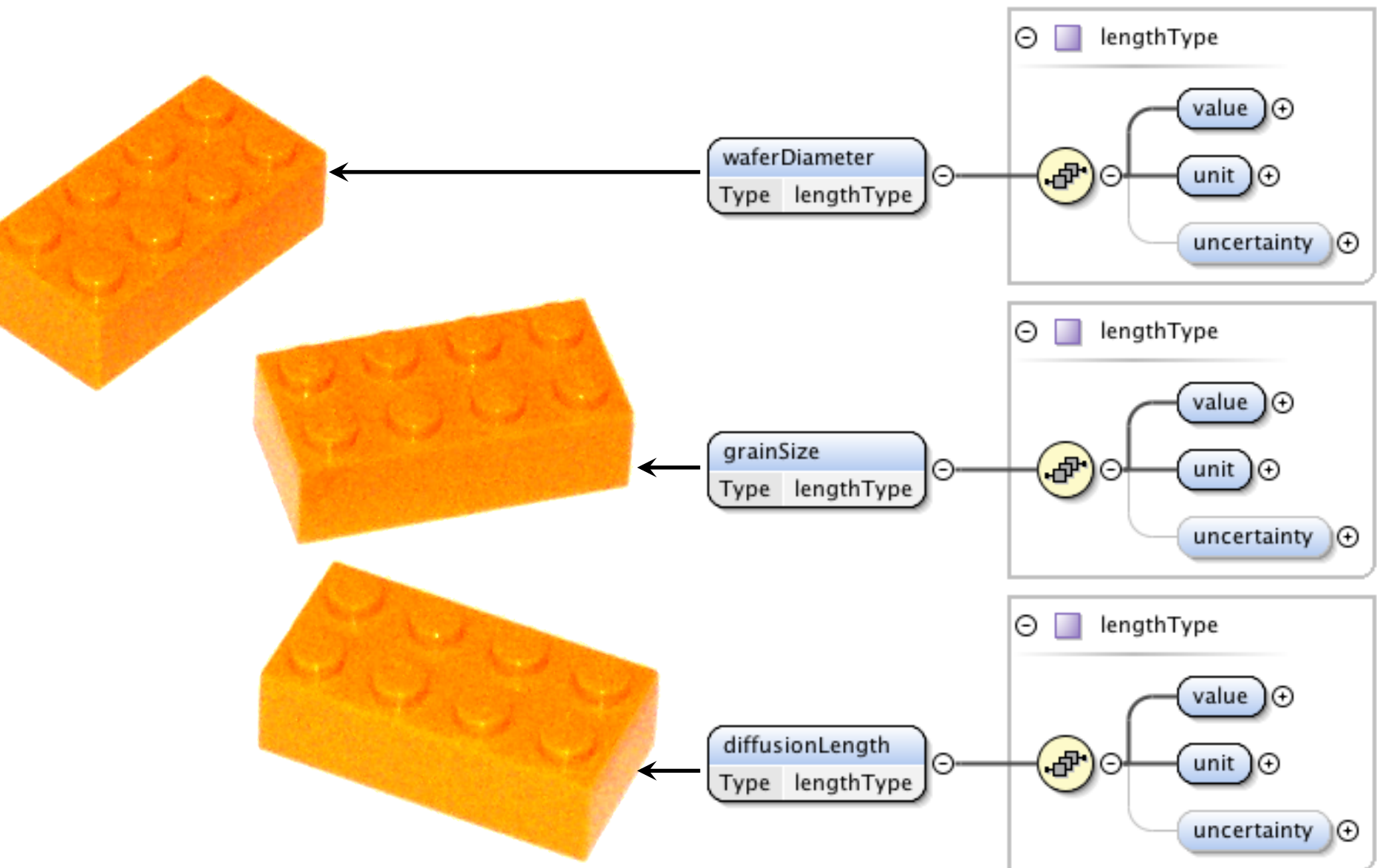


# Modularity: Foundational Types





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# Coming Soon: Schema Repository and Registry

- Discover existing schemas
- Register and describe currently accessible schemas
- Upload, register, and describe new schemas
- Scope?
  - XSD, JSON-LD, JSON Schema
  - How to do this with HDF5 formats?
  - Capture and link to vocabularies and ontologies?

# Free and Open-Source Software

README.md

## Materials Data Curation System

The NIST Materials Data Curation System (MDCS) provides a means for capturing, sharing, and transforming materials data into a structured format that is XML based amenable to transformation to other formats. The data are organized using user-selected templates encoded in XML Schema. These templates are used to create data entry forms. The documents are saved in a non-relational (NoSQL) database, namely MongoDB. The data can be searched and retrieved via several means: by a

<https://github.com/usnistgov/MDCS>

## Installation

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- Recommended Internet Browser: Mozilla Firefox.

# REQUIREMENT #2

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Materials researchers need a decentralized infrastructure to enable finding and sharing of materials resources.

# Materials Resource Registry Alpha

Part of the Materials Genome Initiative

[SEARCH FOR RESOURCES](#)[ADD YOUR RESOURCE](#)

## Find Materials Data

This system allows for the registration of materials resources, bridging the gap between existing resources and the end users. The Materials Resource Registry functions as a centrally located service, making the registered information available for research to the materials community.

This is being developed at the National Institute of Standards and Technology and is made available to solicit comments from the Material Science community. Please do not enter any proprietary data into this system.

### Home Page

[Services](#)[Search for resources](#)[Add your resource](#)[Login](#)[Help](#)[Contact](#)

# Materials Resource Registry Alpha

## Search for Resources



13 results



All Resources



Organizations



Data Collections



Datasets



Services



Informational Sites



Software

Brief Results View

Resource Type:

- ☒ All Resources
- ☐ Organization
- ☐ Data Collection
- ☐ Repository
- ☐ Project Archive
- ☐ Database
- ☐ Dataset
- ☐ Service

[Materialsdata.nist.gov](#)

Resource Details

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subject DSpace instance for management and sharing of materials data

[MGI Code Catalog](#)

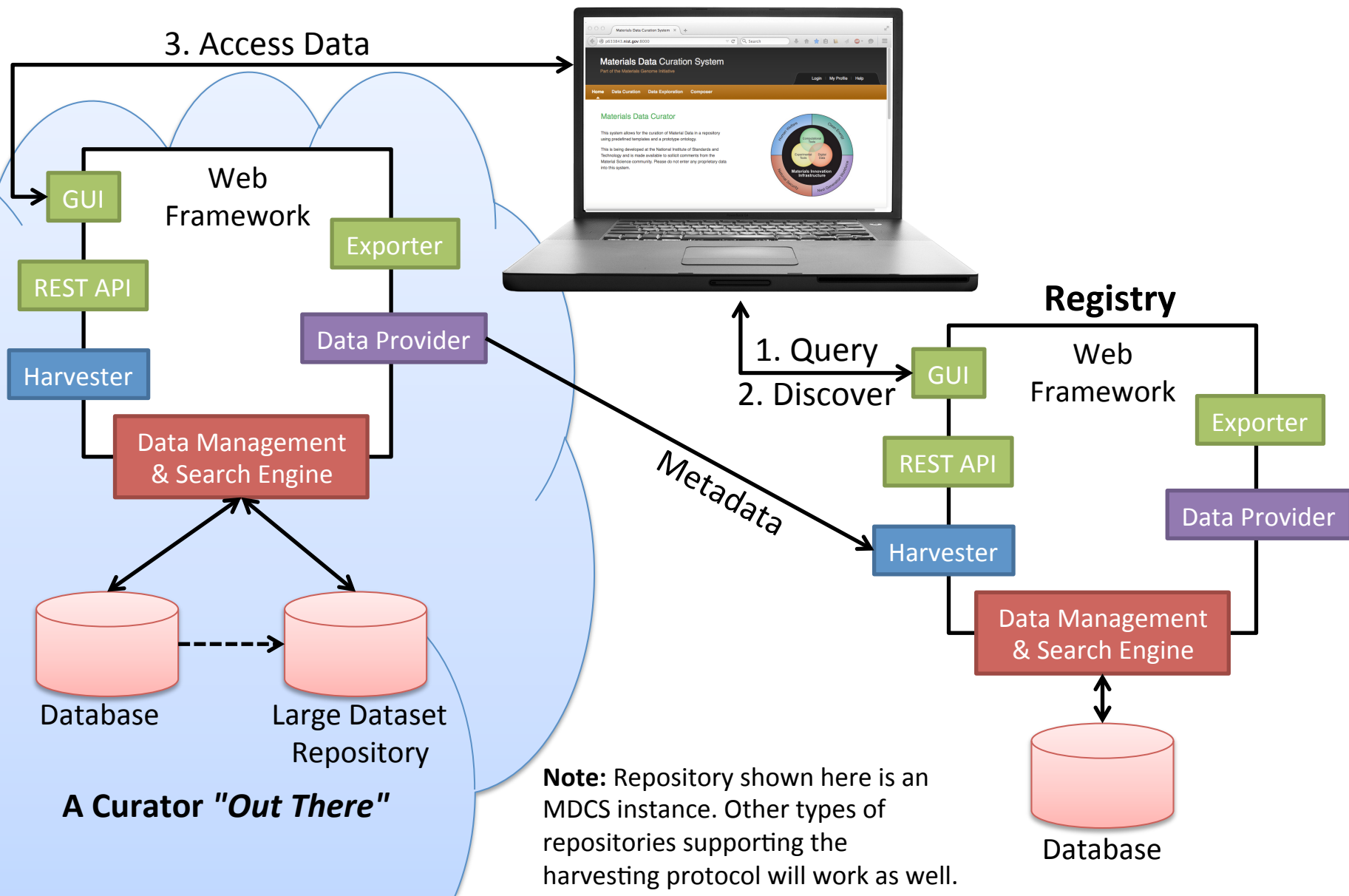
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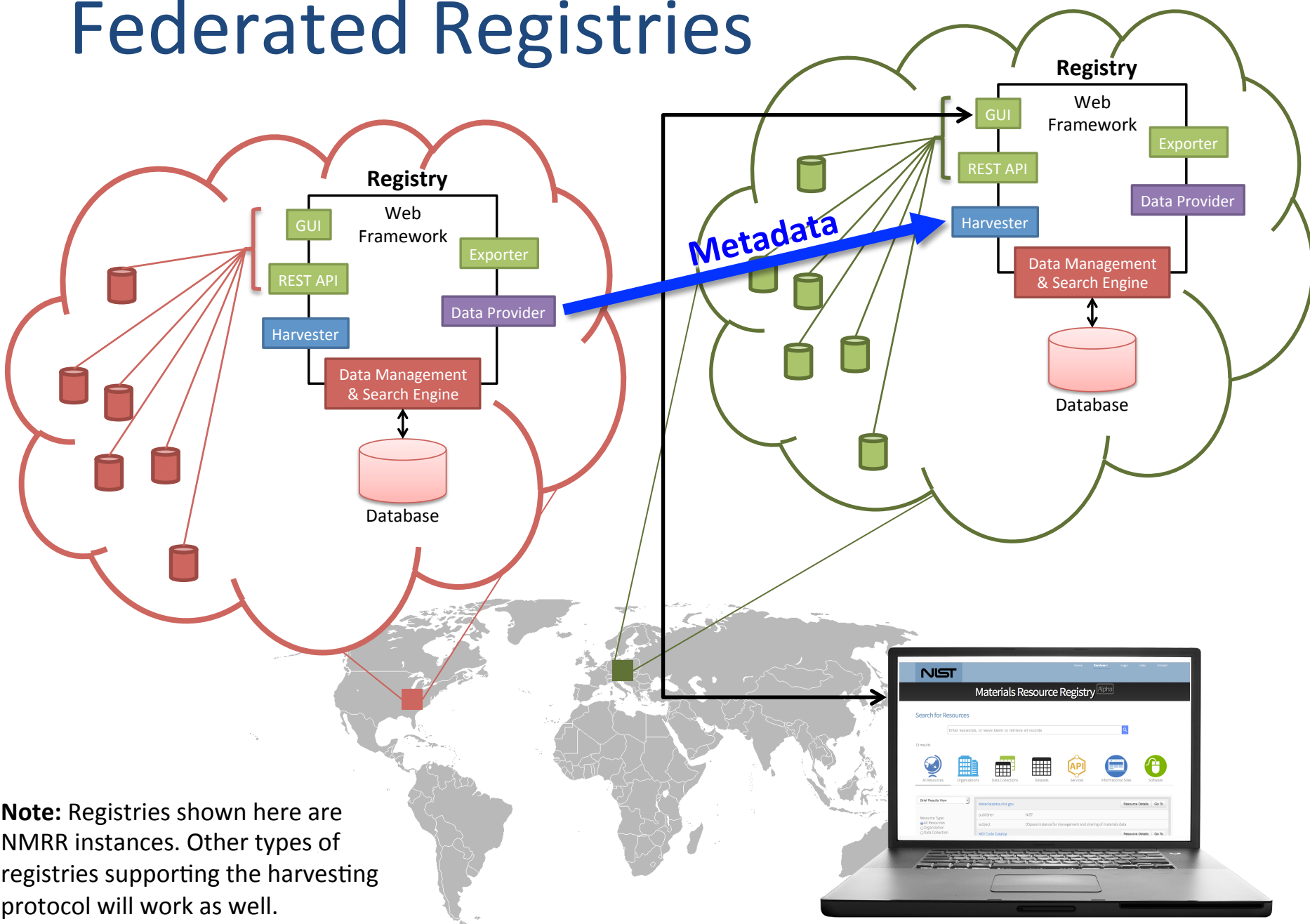
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creator Andrea Medina-Smith

# Registry-Enabled Data Discovery



# Federated Registries



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## Materials Resource Registry

Access to scientific data and resources across the materials community is limited and fragmented. Local resource providers are frequently populated with new resources but the larger community is often unaware that these potentially interesting resources are available. The NIST Materials Resource Registry (MRR) bridges the gap between existing resources and the end users by registering the resources and their metadata for search and discovery.

<https://github.com/usnistgov/MaterialsResourceRegistry>

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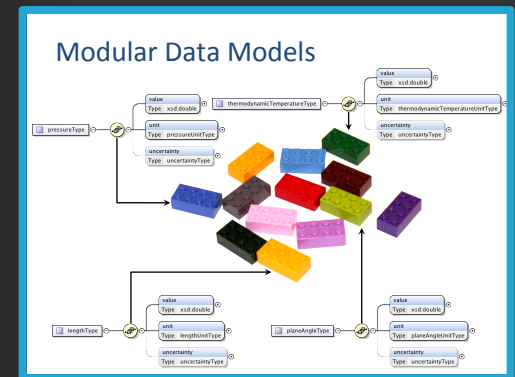
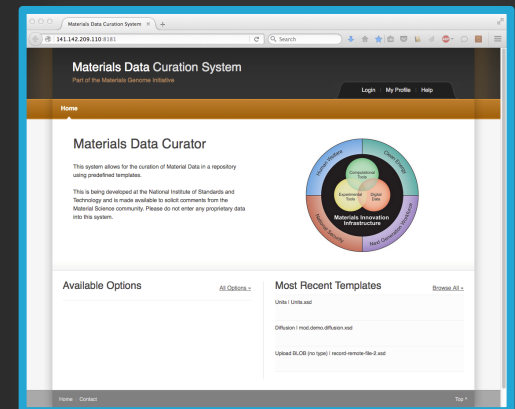
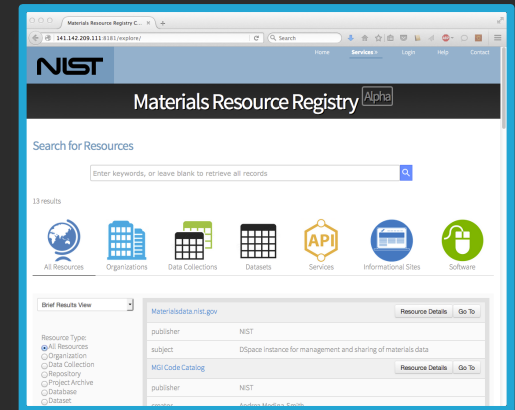


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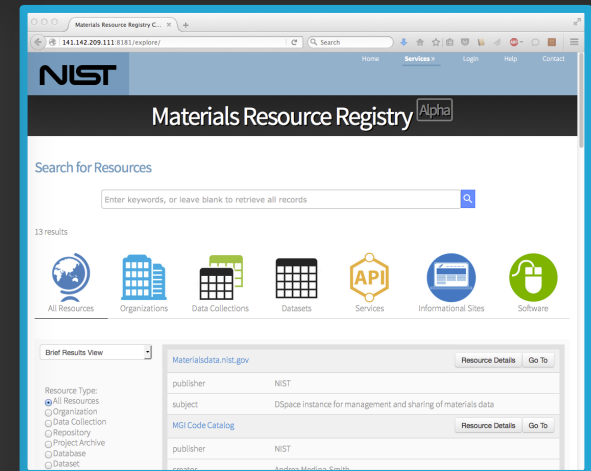
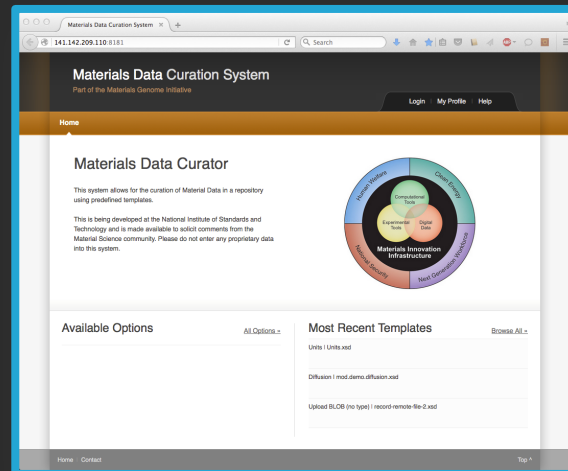
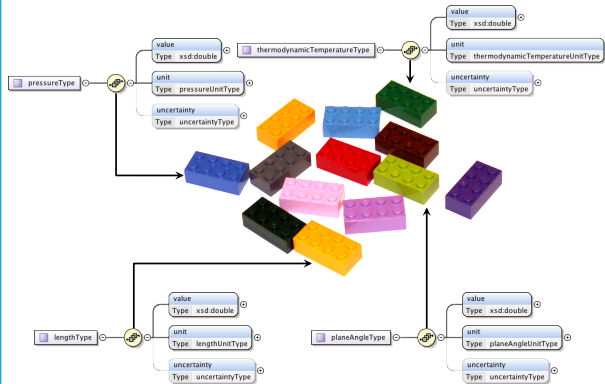
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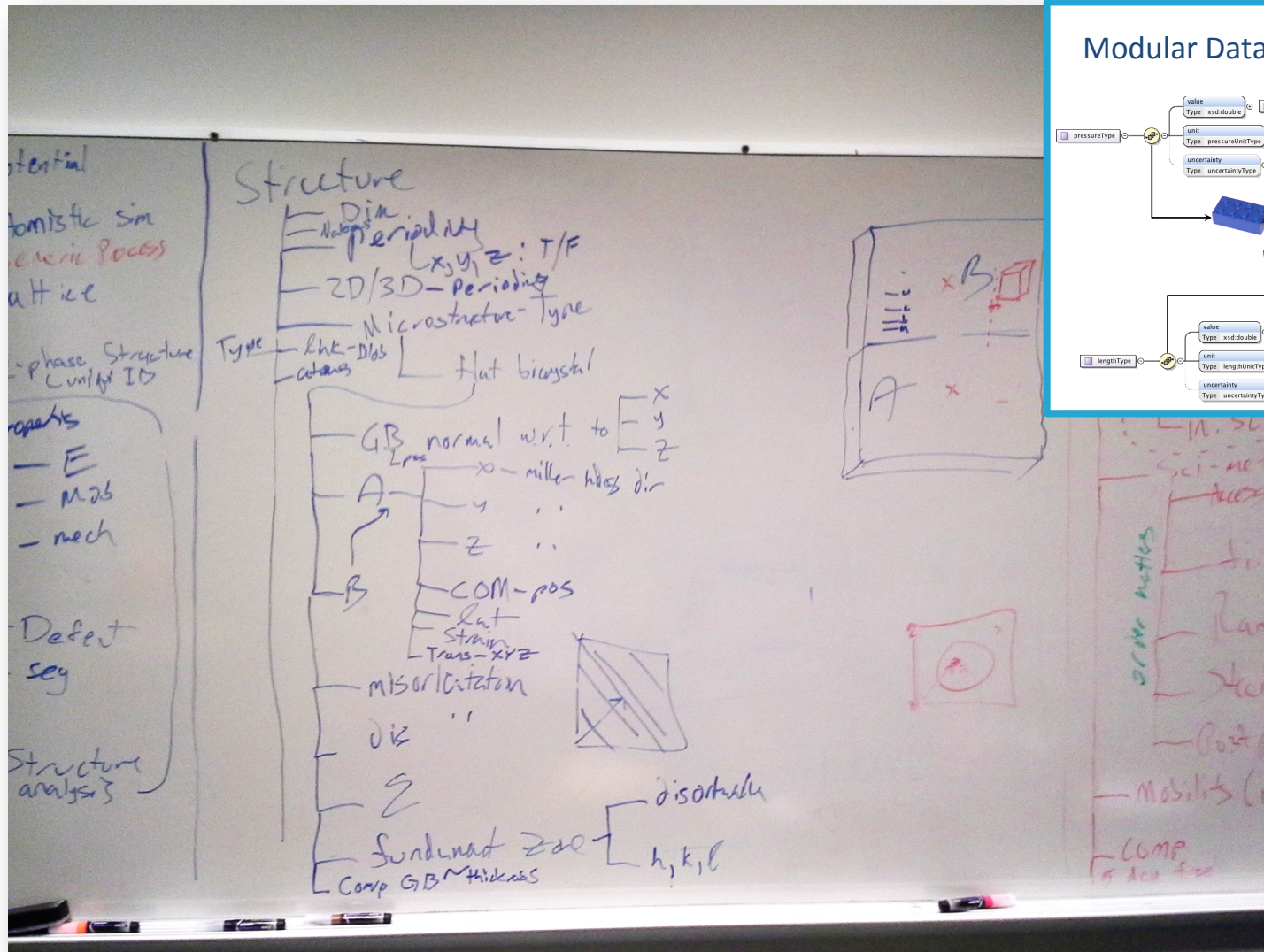
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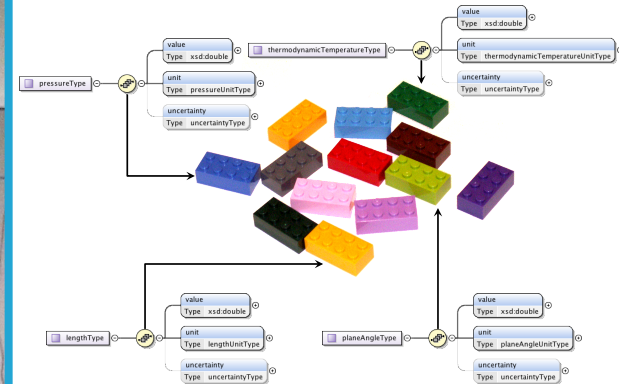
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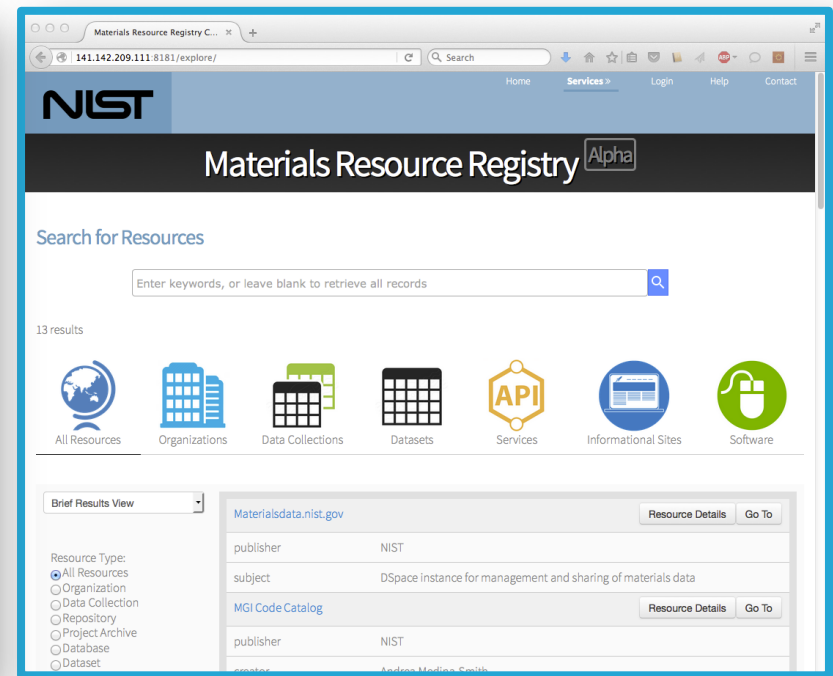
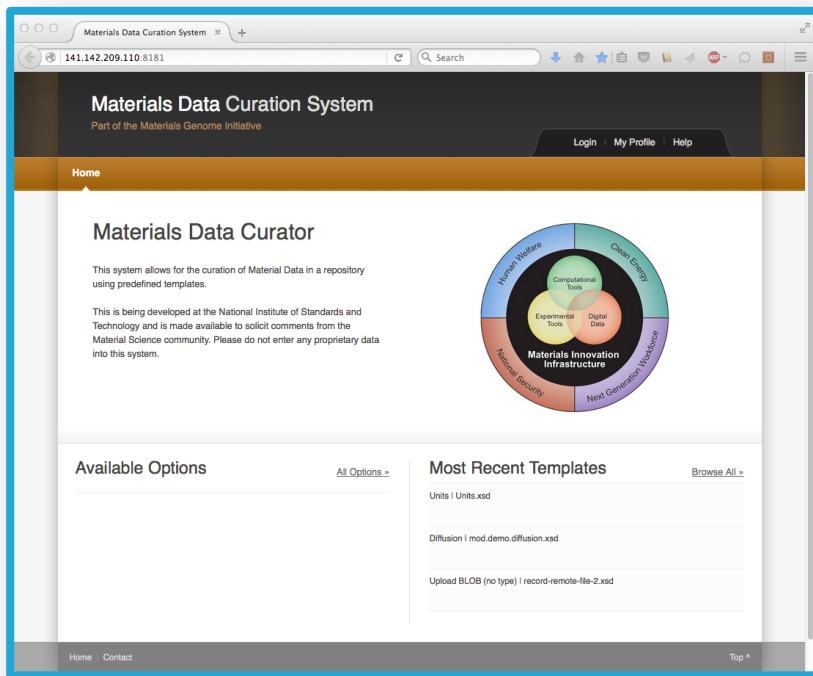
# Workshop Part 1: Data Models



## Modular Data Models



# Workshop Part 2: Integration



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