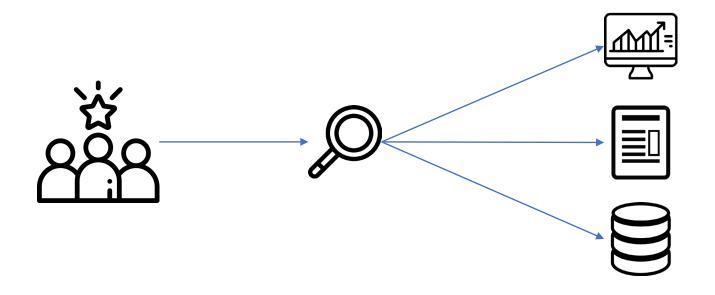




Darwin Core



State of the art: Data is scattered



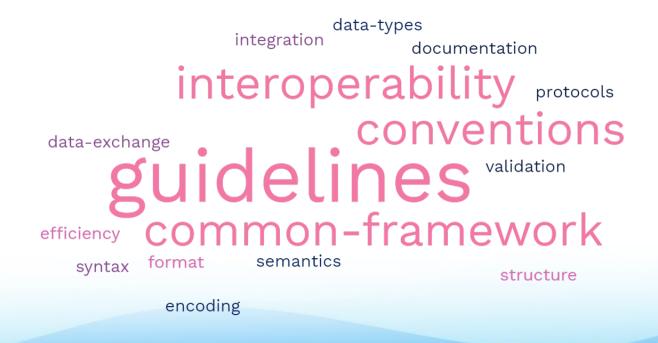
under the current system. Students in PhD programmes spend up to 80% of their time on 'data munging', fixing formatting and minor mistakes to make data suitable for analysis – wasting time and talent. With 400 such students, that would amount to a monetary waste equivalent to the salaries of 200 full-time employees, at minimum. So, hiring 20 professional data stewards to cut time lost to data wrangling would boost effective research capacity. Many top

More than 70% of researchers have tried and failed to reproduce another scientist's experiments, and more than half have failed to reproduce their own experiments. Those are some of the telling figures that emerged from *Nature*'s survey of 1,576 researchers who took a brief online questionnaire on reproducibility in research.



FAIR data: Data standards

"Set of guidelines or rules that specify how data should be structured, formatted, and represented to ensure consistency, interoperability, and efficient data exchange"





FAIR data: Data standards





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Fitch, Marie	(876)546-8165	June 15, 72	US
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Darwin Core: The scope



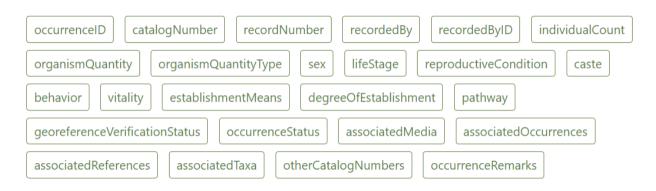
Darwin Core is a standard maintained by the Darwin Core Maintenance Interest Group. It includes a glossary of terms (in other contexts these might be called properties, elements, fields, columns, attributes, or concepts) intended to facilitate the sharing of information about biological diversity by providing identifiers, labels, and definitions. Darwin Core is primarily based on taxa, their occurrence in nature as documented by observations, specimens, samples, and related information.



Darwin Core: The terms

List of terms

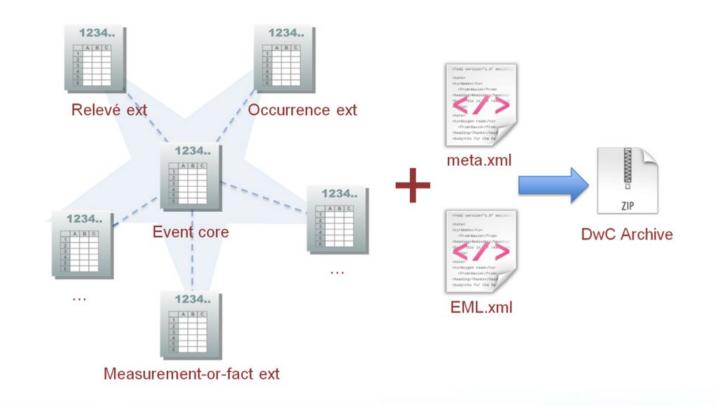
- Standardized
- Maintained



basisOfRecord	
Identifier	http://rs.tdwg.org/dwc/terms/basisOfRecord
Definition	The specific nature of the data record.
Comments	Recommended best practice is to use a controlled vocabulary such as the set of local names of the identifiers for classes in Darwin Core.
Examples	MaterialEntity PreservedSpecimen
	FossilSpecimen

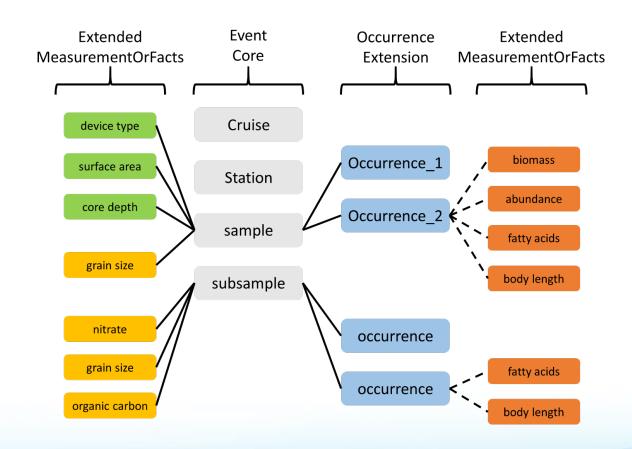


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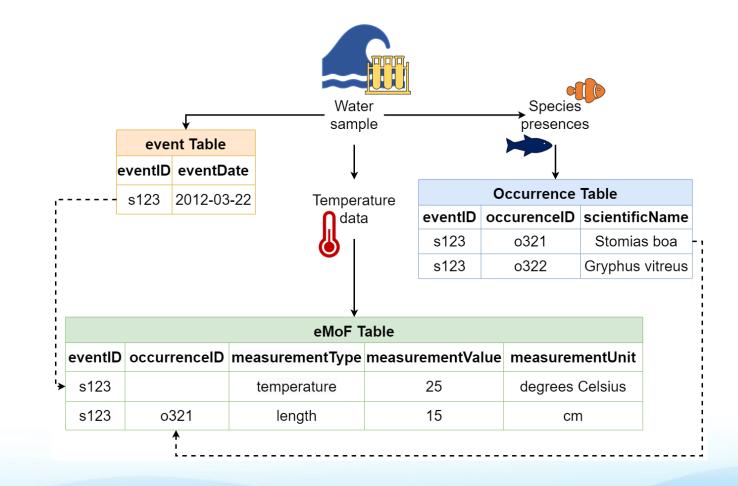


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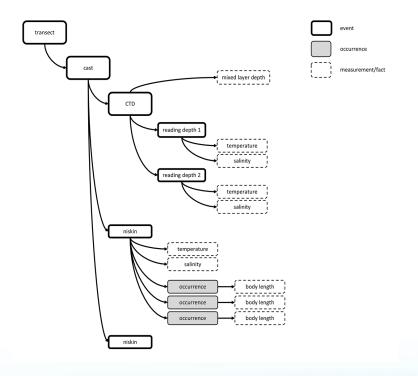
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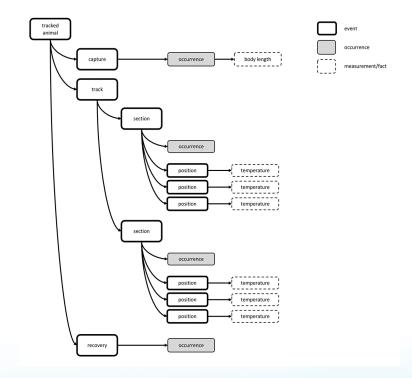


Darwin Core Archives: Choosing the structure

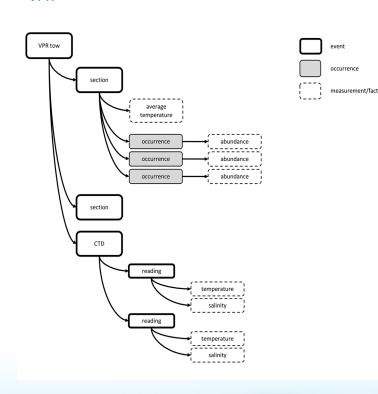
CTD measurements



Tagged animals



VPR

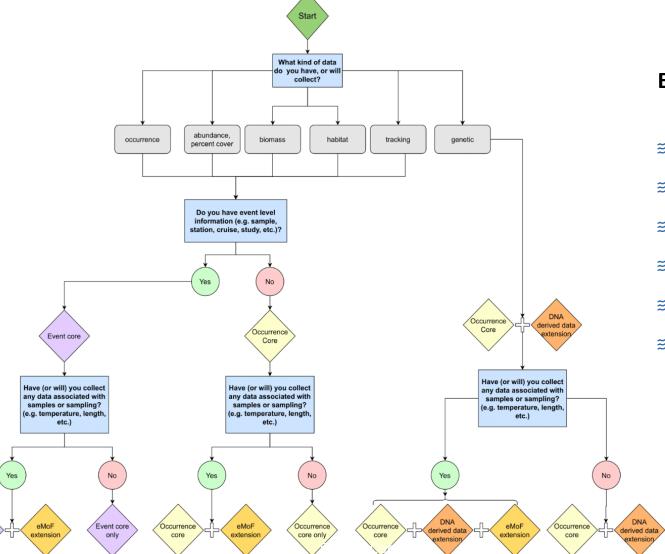




Darwin Core Archives: Choosing the structure

Cores

- **Event**
- Occurrence



Extensions

- Occurrence
- **Extended Measurement Or Facts**
- Resource Relationships
- DNA derived data
- **≅** ...



OBIS ENV Data format

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extended measurements or facts

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Measurement or Fact:

A known characteristic of something



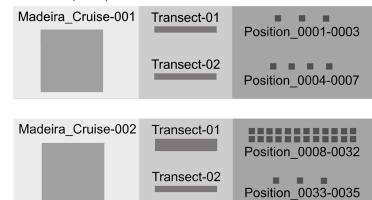
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Madeira (route)



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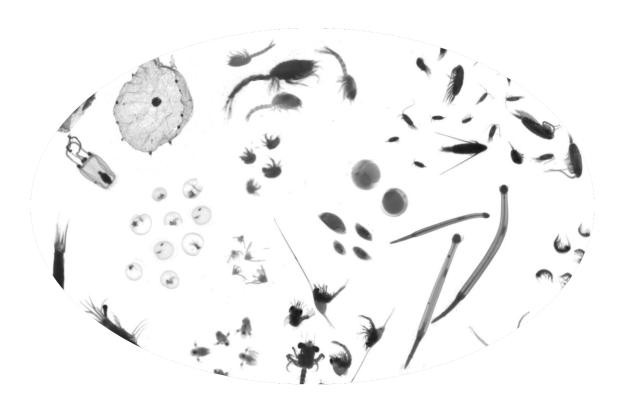
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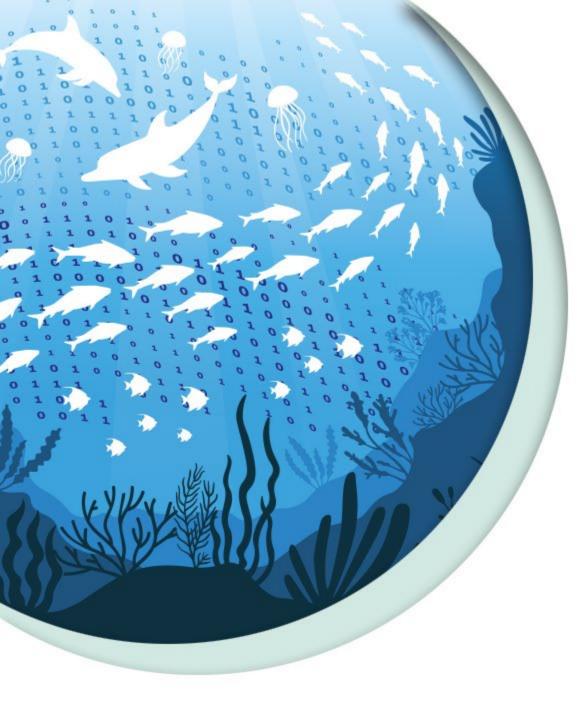
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Relevant sources

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