

HERMES: RESEARCH SOFTWARE ON WINGS

Automating software publication with rich metadata



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OVERVIEW

- Software publication
- Project details



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SOFTWARE PUBLICATION

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Software publication

enables

Sustainability

enables

Reproducibility

enables

Academic credit

enables



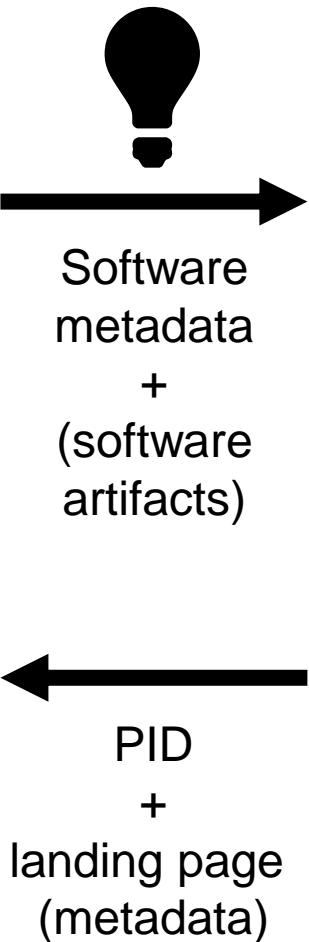
SOFTWARE PUBLICATION: STATE OF THE ART

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model = getattr(spectra, spectrum_dict["type"])

if norm.unit in (u.Unit("erg"), u.Unit("erg cm-3")) and norm_type != "integral":
    raise NameError(
        "Normalisation different than 'integral' available only for 'spectrum_norm' in cm-3"
    )

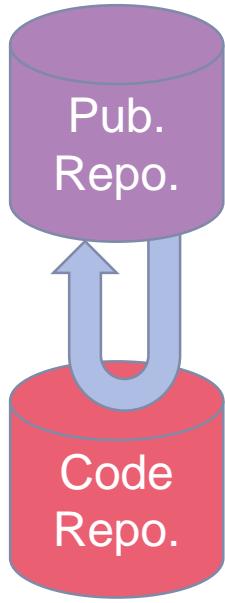
# check the units of the normalisation
# cm-3 is the only one allowing more than one normalisation type
if norm.unit == u.Unit("cm-3"):
    if norm_type == "differential":
        final_model = model(norm, **spectrum_dict["parameters"])
    elif norm_type == "gamma=1":
        final_model = model.from_norm_at_gamma_1(
            *model.norm_at_gamma_1(*norm)
        )
    else:
        raise NameError(
            "Normalisation different than 'integral' available only for 'spectrum_norm' in cm-3"
        )

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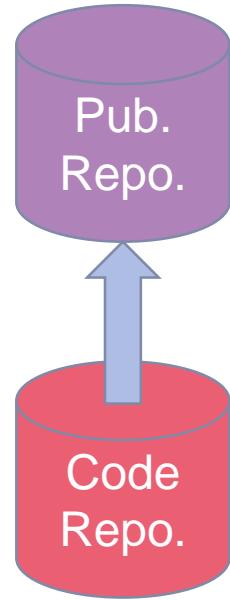
The screenshot shows a detailed view of a software publication page. At the top, it displays the title "agnpy" and the date "January 31, 2022". Below this, there is a "Software" and "Open Access" button. To the right, there are statistics: "768 views" and "157 downloads". A "See more details..." link is also present. The main content area shows the file structure of the software distribution, including files like "agnpy-v0.1.8.zip" and "cosimoNigro-agnpy-6abdf22". Below this, a table lists files with their sizes. Further down, there is a "Citations" section showing three publications related to the software, each with links to ADS, ARXIV, and DOI. At the bottom, there is a "Versions" section listing "Version 0.1.8" and "Version 0.1.7".

SOFTWARE PUBLICATION: STATE OF THE ART II



Pull-based workflows

- Code & metadata must be accessible
- Less control over extracted metadata
- Zenodo (and SWH) most prominent



Push-based workflows

- Works for all sw. types (CSS, ISS & OSS)
- Complete control over metadata
- Central service and/or decentral scripting



PROJECT DETAILS

HERMES: PROJECT



- 07/2021 – 06/2023
- Aim: Support RSEs in automatedly publishing their software with rich metadata

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Software publications with rich metadata
State of the art, automated workflows and HERMES concept

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Abstract

To satisfy the principles of FAIR software, software sustainability and software citation, research software must be formally published. Publication repositories make this possible and provide published software versions with unique and persistent identifiers. However, software publication is still a tedious, mostly manual process.

To streamline software publication, HERMES, a project funded by the Helmholtz Metadata Collaboration, develops automated workflows to publish research software with rich metadata. The tooling developed by the project utilizes continuous integration solutions to retrieve, collate, and process existing metadata in source repositories, and publish them on publication repositories, including checks against existing metadata requirements. To accompany the tooling and enable researchers to easily reuse it, the project also provides comprehensive documentation and templates for widely used CI solutions. In this paper, we outline the concept for these workflows, and describe how our solution advance the state of the art in research software publication.

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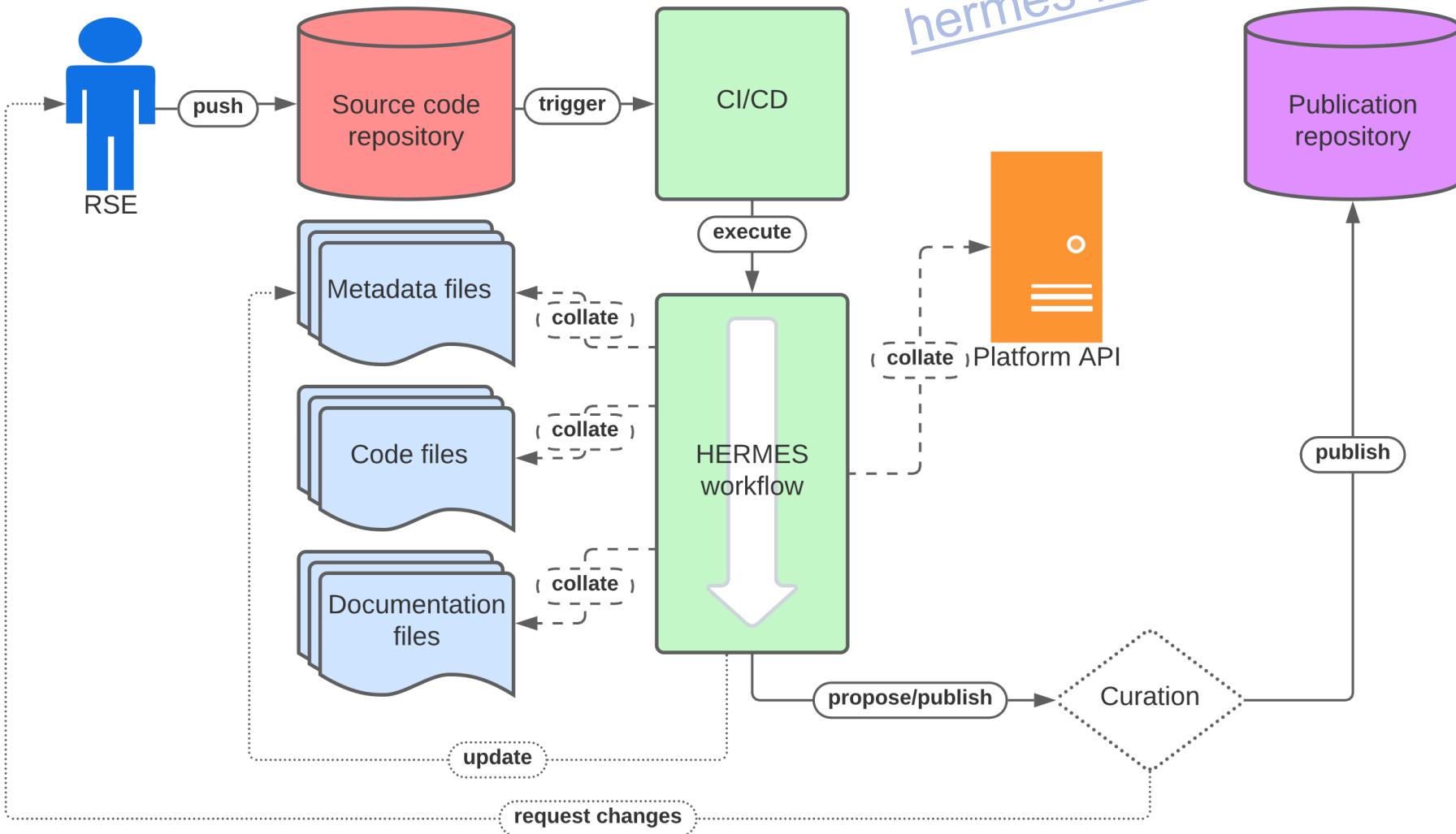
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HERMES: OUTPUTS (FOR THIS ITERATION)

- **Software**
 - Software for software publication workflow automation (workflow runner + modular pipelines)
- **CI templates**
 - GitLab CI, GitHub Actions, Jenkins, [Travis CI]
- **Improved research software-readiness in publication repositories**
 - Position paper “research software-ready repositories”
 - Respective contributions to Dataverse + InvenioRDM (data models, UI)
- **Training materials**
 - Adaption of open Helmholtz training materials (HIFIS) to include workflow usage
- **Project website**
 - One-stop shop for information and documentation
- **Policy proposals**
 - Proposals for updates to policies/guidelines at Helmholtz and cross-institutional

HERMES: CONCEPT I

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[hermes-hmc/workflow](https://github.com/hermes-hmc/workflow)

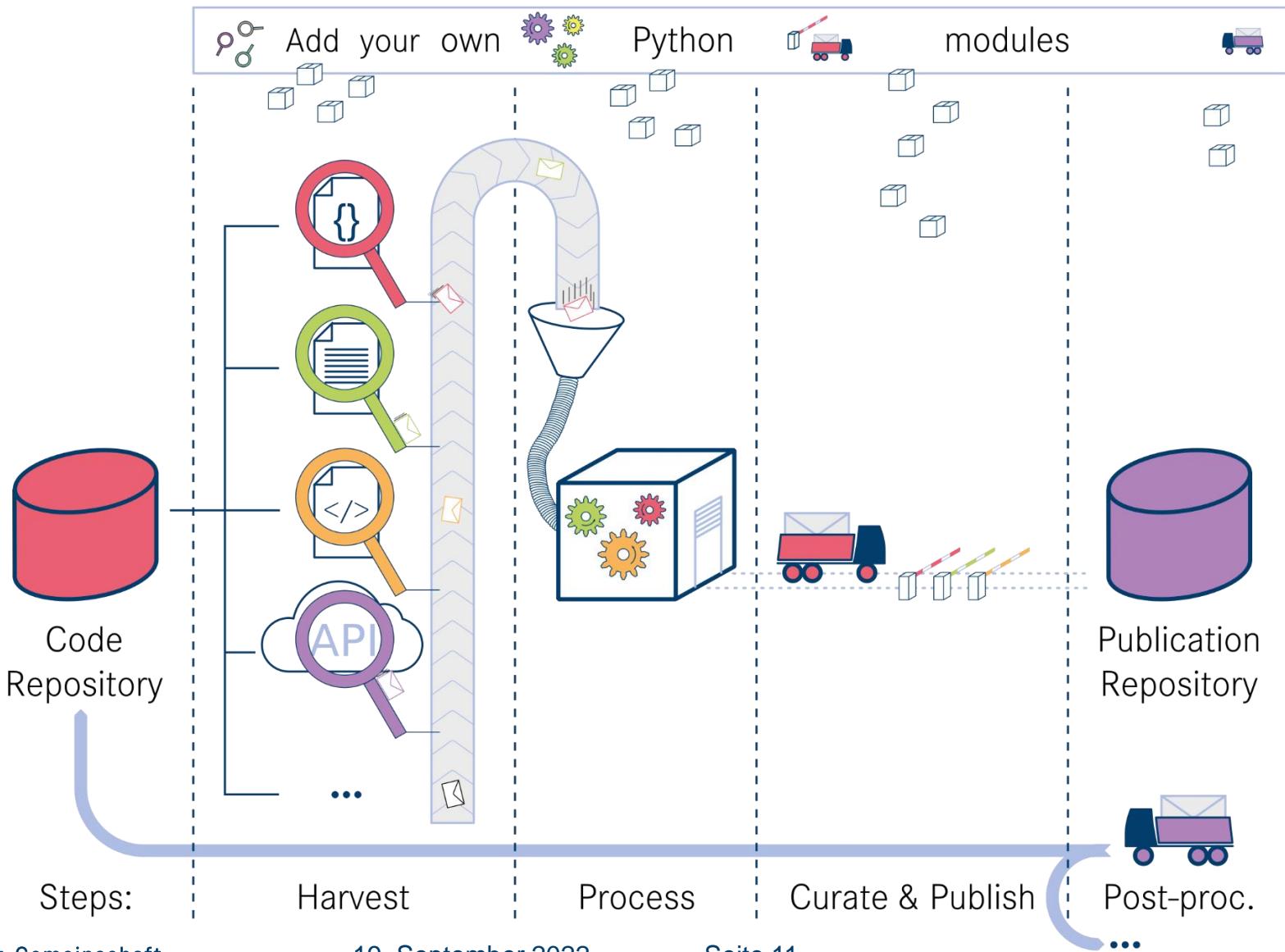


Where we are:

- Harvesting:
Citation File Format,
CodeMeta, Git metadata
- Processing:
#TODO (unified data model)
- Curation/Deposition:
#TODO
(user feedback via logs)
- Post-processing:
#TODO (CodeMeta files)

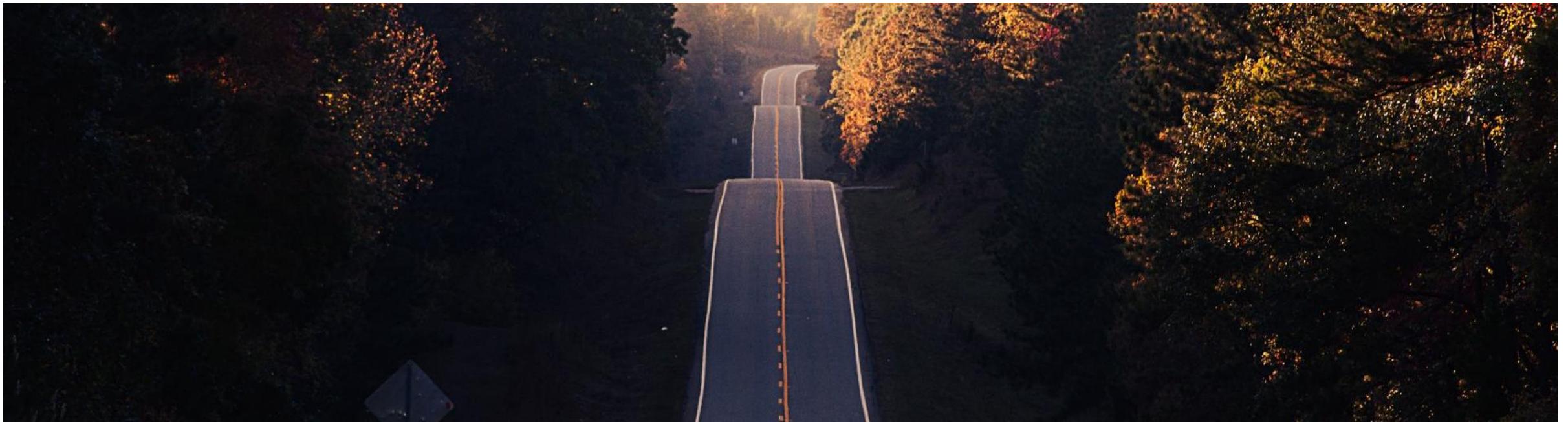
HERMES: CONCEPT II

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HERMES: OUTLOOK

- **Project ends:**
 - Automated research software publication with rich metadata
- **Potential future work:**
 - New target repositories:
 - SURESOFT (TU Braunschweig)!
 - Helmholtz research software directory?
 - NFDI publication repositories?
 - New metadata types via extended metadata mining
 - Curation UI?
 - Support for research software KPIs



THANK YOU

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HERMES: METADATA

- **Metadata**
 - Differences in generation, scope, mode, aspects
 - Generic software metadata vs. software-specific metadata
- **Metadata formats**
 - Metadata files, snippets, third-party systems, API responses
 - Structured vs. unstructured
- **Sources**
 - Collectable structured metadata
 - (Metadata from minable structured data)
 - (Metadata from minable unstructured data)