



From Code Repositories to Knowledge Graphs of Research Software Metadata

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Challenge 1: Lack of structured (machine-readable) documentation



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In [1] we tried to reproduce an effort from **one** year before.

- All data were available online
- All tools were available online (except one, but authors had a replacement)
- > 250 hrs to full reproducibility
- > 100 hrs to get familiar with the tools and their I/O



[1] Garijo, D., Kinnings, S., Xie, L., Xie, L., Zhang, Y., Bourne, P. E., & Gil, Y. (2013). Quantifying reproducibility in computational biology: the case of the tuberculosis drugome. *PloS one*, *8*(11), e80278.

Challenge 3: Comparing against existing tools

Millions of open-source repositories are updated/created every year



[Hucka et al]: Scientists still rely on three main methods for searching new software:

- Survey
- Recommendation from a colleague
- Search engine

M. Hucka and M. J. Graham, "Software search is not a science, even among scientists: A survey of how scientists and engineers find software," Journal of Systems and Software, vol. 141, pp. 171–191, 2018.

- 1. Structured representation
- 2. Reuse
- 3. Compare
- 4. Search



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Knowledge Graphs

Creating KGs of Research Software metadata: Representing RS at different levels of abstraction



- Search
- Compare



ORCIDs not available



https://w3id.org/okn/o/sd https://w3id.org/software-types/

Software and versions



Why is it needed?

- Credit
- Trust



21B (Kappa) 21D (Eta)



Describing inputs and outputs



Dependencies



- Security



install_requires = ["bs4==0.0.1", "Click==7.0", "click-option-group==0.5.3", \prec "markdown==3.3.6", "matplotlib==3.5.0", "nltk==3.6.6", "numpy==1.22.0", "pandas==1.3.4", "rdflib==6.0.2", "rdflib-jsonld==0.6.2", . . . "requests>=2.22.0", "scikit-learn==1.0", "textblob==0.17.1", "validators==0.18.2", "xgboost==1.5.0"

Software images are created from configuration files (e.g., Dockerfiles)



Fig. by Jhon Toledo

Initial effort transforming part of DockerHub: https://dockerpedia.inf.utfsm.cl/

Osorio, M., Buil-Aranda, C., Santana-Perez, I., & Garijo, D. (2022). DockerPedia: A Knowledge Graph of Software Images and Their Metadata. International Journal of Software Engineering and Knowledge Engineering, 32(01), 71-89.

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Why is it needed?

Reuse Security

Creating KGs of Research Software metadata: Knowledge extraction

Research Software metadata is not abundant machine readable



Documentation

- Text classification
- Named entity recognition and relation extraction

Code

• Static code analysis

	docs	update doc	13 days ago
	experiments	Added pipeline missed in previous version of create_models	8 months ago
	notebook	Fix #180	15 months ago
	src/somef	update version	13 days ago
Ľ	.gitignore	Fix test and added env to gitignore	29 days ago
۵	.readthedocs.yml	documentation	2 years ago
۵	CITATION.cff	Add citation file	4 months ago
Ľ	Dockerfile	updating Docker image	4 months ago
Ľ	LICENSE	initial cleanup	2 years ago
۵	README.md	update doc	13 days ago
۵	config.json	Created script to generate models and updated python version to 3.9	8 months ago
Ľ	mkdocs.yml	Fix #178	15 months ago
D	pyproject.toml	minor package changes	4 months ago
C	setup.py	Fix #437	28 days ago

Text classification: Software Metadata Extraction Framework

https://github.com/KnowledgeCaptureAndDiscovery/somef/



8	dgarijo Merge pull request #17	74 from KnowledgeCaptureAndDiscovery/dev
	docs	Typos
	experiments	Improved header analysis. Fix #166
	notebook	Fix #96
	src	Typos
D	.gitignore	Fix #147 and working towards automatic corpus va
D	.readthedocs.yml	documentation
D	Dockerfile	Fix #113 creating a Dockerfile
D	LICENSE	initial cleanup
D	README.md	Typos
ß	config.json	Provide Fix for issues - 12, 35,36
C	mkdocs.yml	typos and reorganization
ß	setup.py	Fix #113 creating a Dockerfile



- Readme Analysis
 - Supervised classification
 - Regular expressions
 - Header analysis
- File exploration
 - o Notebooks
 - o **Dockerfiles**
 - o Documentation
- GitHub API



Results (Metadata)







Kelley, A., & Garijo, D. (2021). A framework for creating knowledge graphs of scientific software metadata. Quantitative Science Studies, 1-37.

SOMEF: Recognizing Metadata Categories

- Name (GA)
- Full title (RE)
- Description (SC, HA)
- Citation (SC, RE, HA)
- Installation instructions (SC, HA)
- Invocation (SC)
- Usage examples (HA)
- Documentation (HA, FE)
- Requirements (HA)
- Contributors (HA)
- FAQ (HA)
- Support (HA)
- License (GA, HA, FE)
- Stars (GA)

Method used (provenance):

- Supervised Classification (SC)
- Header Analysis and Synset comparison (HA)
- File Exploration (FE)
- Regular Expressions (RE)
- GitHub API (GA)

- Contact (HA)
- Download URL (HA, GA)
- DOI (RE)
- DockerFile (FE)
- Notebooks (FE)
- Executable notebooks (Binder, Collab) (RE)
- Owner: (GA)
- Keywords (GA)
- Source code (GA)
- Releases (GA)
- Changelog (GA)
- Issue tracker (GA)
- Programming languages (GA)
- Acknowledgements (HA)
- Logos (RE)
- Images (RE)
- Shell scripts (FE)
- Code of conduct (FE)
- Repository status (RE)
- Arxiv links (RE)
- Support channels (RE)
- Software category (SC) (Work in progress)
- ...



https://osoc-es.github.io/c2t/website/

Creating KGs of Research Software metadata: Benefits

Early result: Automated software catalogs



Alpha available at: <u>https://software.oeg.fi.upm.es/</u> Github: <u>https://github.com/oeg-upm/soca</u>

A software repository at a glance



Extracting KGs from thousands of Open Source repositories

- Zenodo software (> 12000)
- Measuring best practices based on metadata



Summing up

Research software is a critical asset for **Open Science**

- Access information in structured, homogeneous manner
- Reusability
- Comparison
- Search



Pending Challenges:

- Automated metadata extraction from existing sources
- Curation
- Reconciliation of entities (through KGs like Wikidata)
- Representing all levels of granularity

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Questions?



Let's create machine-actionable software metadata to promote Open Science!