## Rich data management and publishing on websites



Share...

Manage...

Search...

Visualize...

...data, as never before!

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### Motivation



#### **Data creation**

By individuals has been increasing steadily By teams has been rising at a rapid pace

### Data use/reuse

By individuals has been increasing Within teams has been increasing Outside team has been increasing

#### Research teams

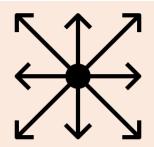
Much larger Heterogeneous with specialists Geographically spread Utilize diverse array of tools and platforms

#### **Trends**

- Data doubling every year
- Sprawling data governance issues
- Open data and FAIR data mandates by Government & Sponsors

Lack of powerful and rich data management solutions





### Information dispersion

- Scattered data and its context leads to content fragmentation and poor information/knowledge retention
- Painful to maintain and enforce qualitative controls



### Weak presentation

Data presented without context makes its consumption difficult (Imagine Youtube as list of files/folders)



#### Dark data

- Lack of context makes data harder to search/find, its essentially lost from a practical standpoint
- Most people cannot find their own data

## Usual stumbling blocks

Access control

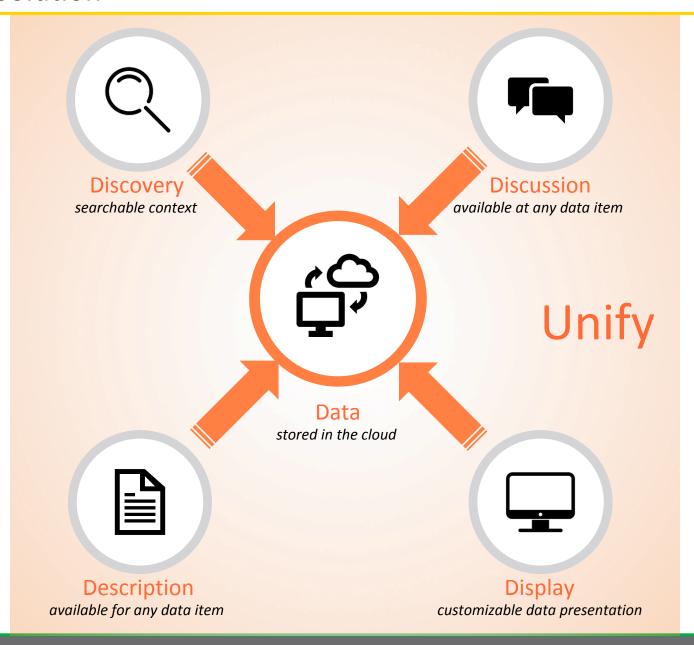
Collaboration

Storage

Transfer

Automation





Provide rich data organization and management to overcome scattering of data, discussion, and description while presenting it with rich display in a consumable form.



## SeedMe: Stream, Encode, Explore and Disseminate My Experiments

Share, manage, search and visualize data, as never before

### Powerful data handling

- New content centric file system
- Effective data organization, management & sharing

#### Make data consumable

- Expressive presentation
  - Flexible layouts
  - Automatic visualizations to make data useful at a glance
- Rich collaboration
  - Share, describe, and discuss any data item
  - Enable easier discovery
- Versatile accessibility: Mobile to Desktop to Supercomputers

#### Extensible platform

- Add custom metadata fields to the file system
- Add full website capability
- Scriptable automation

### **Features**



#### **Designed for researchers**

Streamline and make your data more valuable. Accelerate your research with improved efficiency.

#### **Organize and Share data**

Organize data as familiar folders/files and easily share it privately with collaborators or make it public

#### **Deep context**

Add context to any data item and discuss it via a simple commenting system, which serves as excellent resource when writing research articles.

#### Rich metadata

Add relevant fields along with your data for quick review, filtering and search

#### Visualize and present

Present your data in a consumable form via automatic visualizations, rich formatted text that supports scientific notation

#### **Extend your brand**

Add distinction to your brand and data by including a custom domain name, logo, layout and even use it a website

#### Integrate

Automate your data flow with our API

#### Versatile access

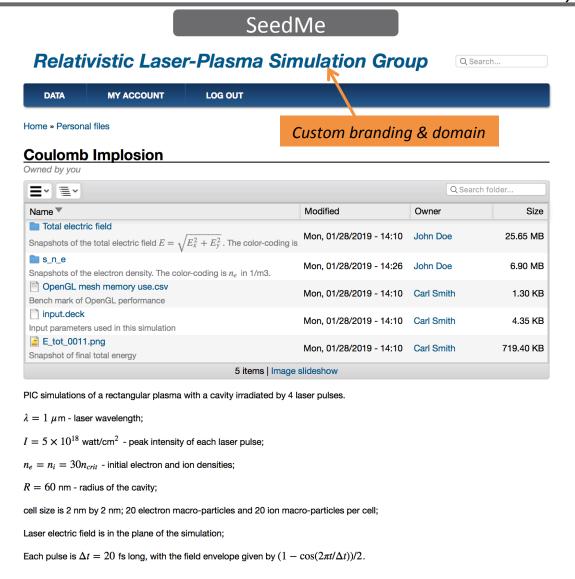
Access your data on phone, desktop or an a supercomputer

#### **Open source**

SeedMe is open source and built on the popular Drupal content management system.



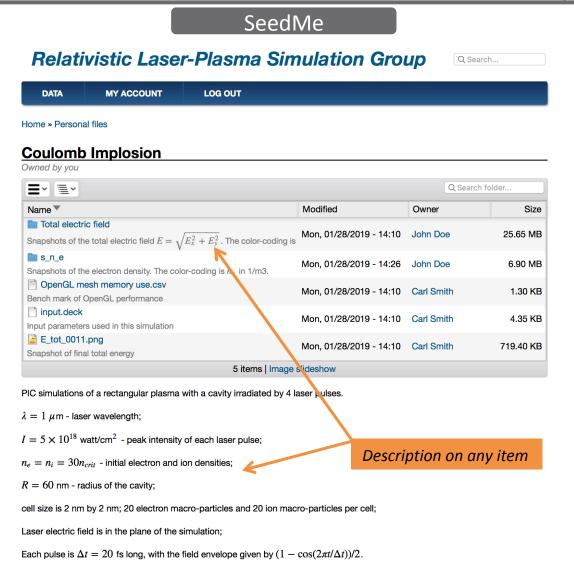
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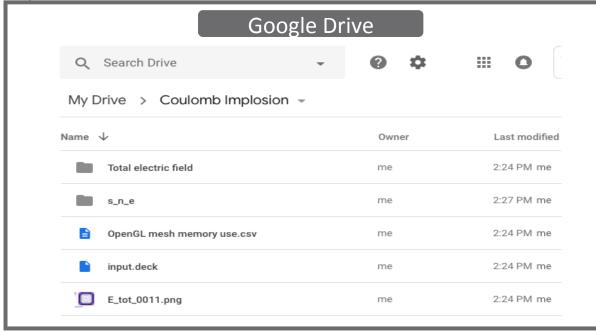


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Side-by-Side Comparison







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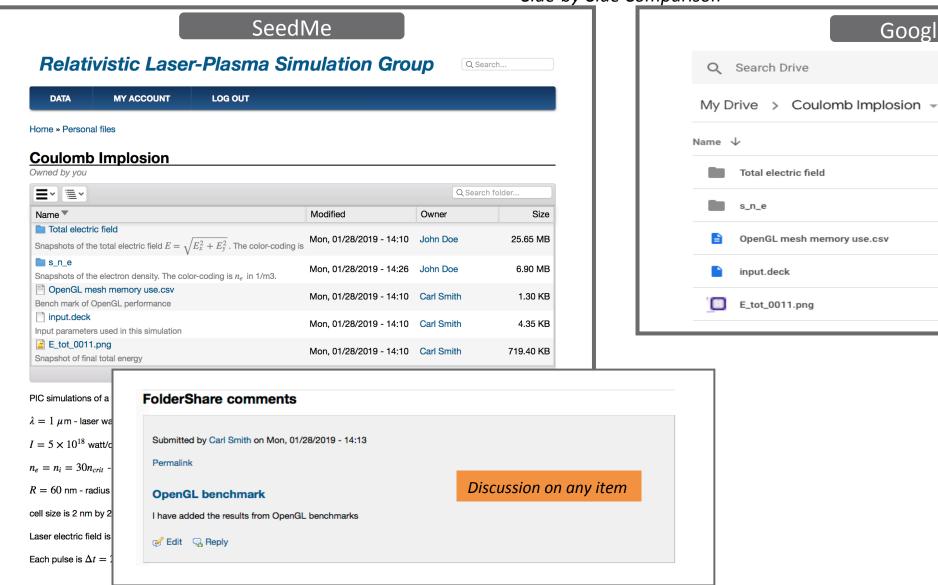
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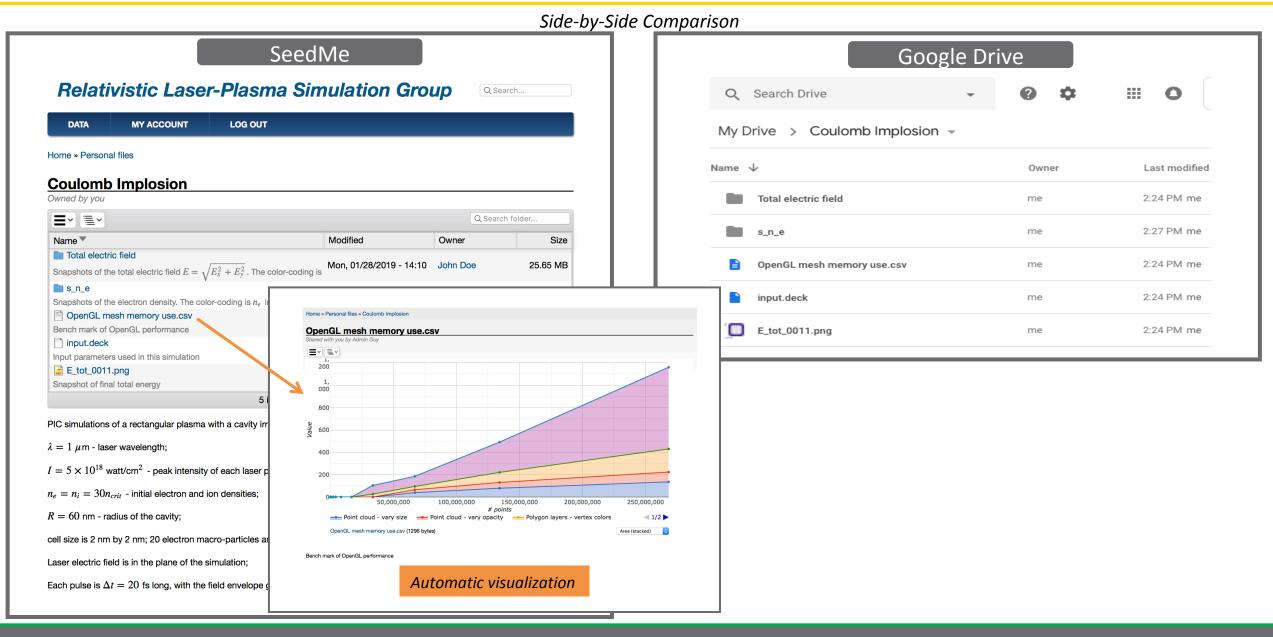
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## **Product**





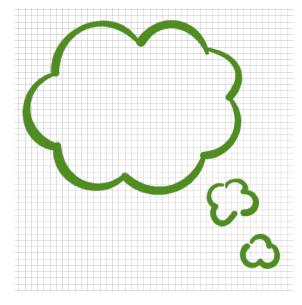
## **Testimonials**



"My inbox is decongested (100 less emails per week), I am able to provide swift and actionable feedback to my students and Post-docs rapidly. All data from my group is in one place, making it easy when writing research papers." - Professor at UCSD

"With SeedMe we save approximately 30 minutes daily by easily sharing data with my Professor and research group. With faster feedback my research productivity pace has significantly increased." - Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Researcher at UCSD

"Storing metadata will provide future context to research results" – Graduate Student at UCSD



# Target users/Use cases (Academic)

#### Researchers

- Use as collaboration hub
- Use for data management plan

#### Project repositories

- Project specific customization, store, document, discuss and search contributed content
- Use for data management plan (Combine website and data sharing)

#### Developers

- Integrate scientific applications to share demonstration data, test datasets and highlighted content
- Make it available for user contribution

#### Science gateways

- Provide shared data repositories related to computation
- Data publishing

## • CyberInfrastructure providers

Offer SeedMe building blocks to your user base

## SeedMe Architecture

PHP

StructuredData API

Javascript libraries
Google charts

Google charts nglviewer

**Drupal 8** 

#### **SeedMe Modules**

- FolderShare
- Chart Suite
- Formatter Suite
- CILogon SSO
- Gateway auth + keyauth

Database (MySQL)

SeedMe building blocks

Webserver (Apache + PHP)

User Interaction

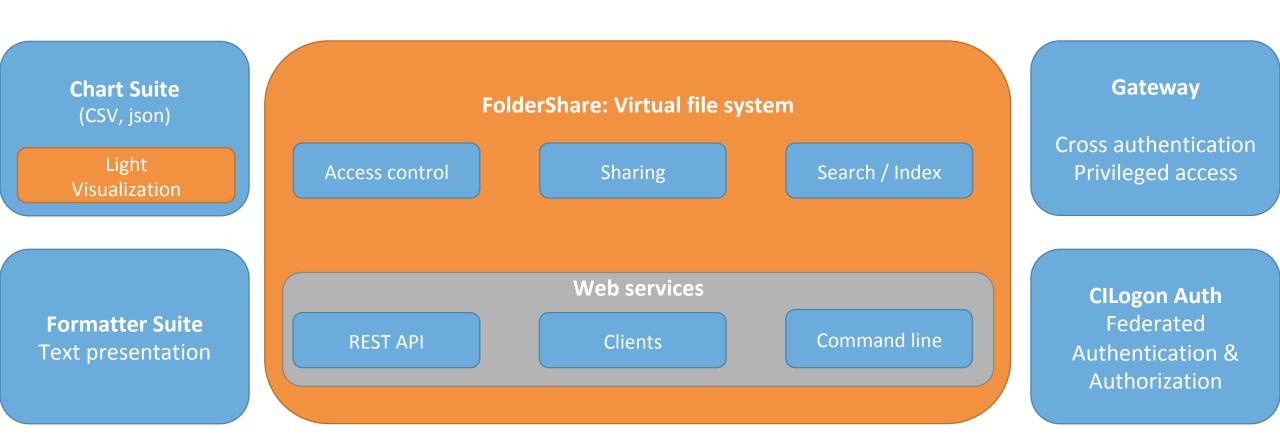
Web browser

FolderShare command line

FolderShare REST clients

Third-party tools

# Drupal modules



## FOLDERSHARE module

## Virtual file system (fieldable)

- Entity data model & access controls
- File management & security
- Display using Views
- UI & Command plugins
- Search
- Web services

## Configurable by sites

- Add new fields e.g. Keywords, comments, flags, DOIs
- Customize data display

## Extensible by developers

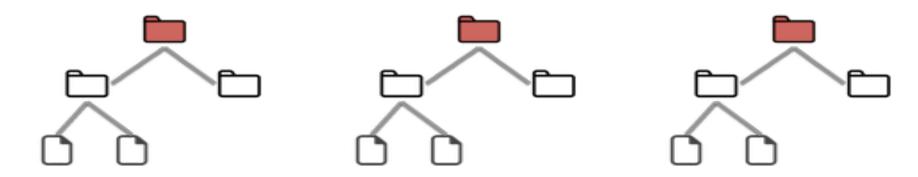
- Develop custom plugins
- Explore API at http://api.try.seedme.org

# FolderShare: Data sharing 🚚

User may grant following privileges

- None (default)
- View (read only)
- Author (read, write and delete)
- Public (readable by anyone visiting the site)

## Data sharing is supported from top-level files/folders



## FolderShare: Trivia

Lines of code (excluding comments and blank lines)

Drupal 8.6.13 core (831k) + vendor (165k)

### **Top Drupal-8.6.13 core modules**

- 1. Drupal migrate (106k)
- 2. Views (73k)
- 3. System (49k)
- 4. FolderShare (32k) + Client (3k) -> 6 major, 16 minor versions during development
- 5. Node (22k)



Automatically generates visualizations of text data in CSV & JSON formats

• Configurable with FolderShare or as a standalone Drupal module

#### Uses

- Structured Data API (parses and writes table, trees & graphs)
- Google Charts JavaScript library



## Provides 17 additional field/file formatters for Drupal 8 core

- Numbers in scientific notation
- Image with embeded data URL

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## CILogon Auth module

Single SignOn (SSO) from academic institutions (2,500 + world wide) Uses CILogon service that provides free authentication

- Avoids hassle with Shibboleth, SAML, etc
- Override site wide registration/activation issues
- Set Role for users logging in via SSO
- Generate better usernames
- Store organization info for user
- Integrates with User Restriction module for further customization

# **Demonstration**



Culmination of 4.5 years of R&D

Try at http://dibbs.seedme.org

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