

Using Dataverse Virtual Archive Technology for Research Data Management

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H. W. Odum Institute Archive Services

- The Howard W. Odum Institute was founded in 1924.
- It is the oldest multidisciplinary social science university institute.
- Odum Archive Services is host to one of the largest catalogs of machine-readable data in the U.S.
- The Odum Dataverse Network (DVN) catalog includes polling, census, and other social science and health-related data.

The Problem

- Different needs for archives, data libraries, researchers, journals, funding agencies...

We should
preserve the data

We need
persistent
links

No publications
without data

I need a Data
Management Plan

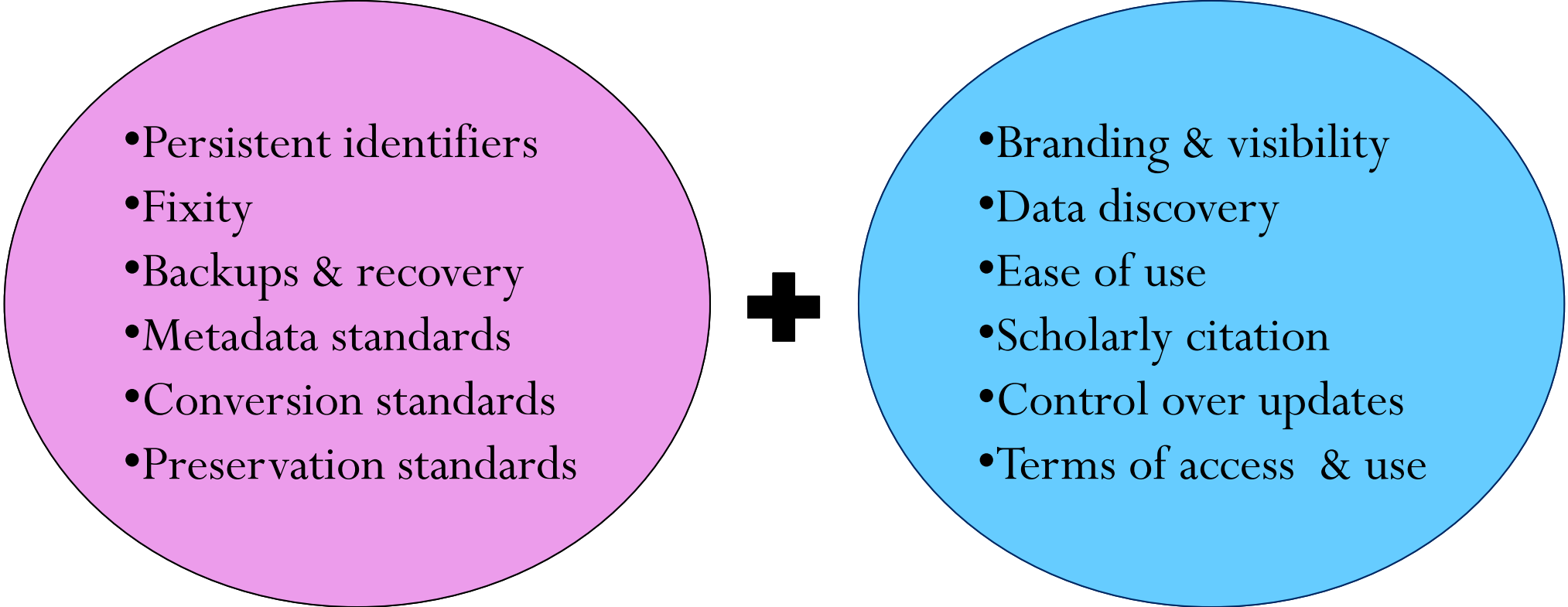
I want credit
for my data



Cross, M. *Why the Dataverse Network?*
Available at: thedata.org

Odum Institute's Solution

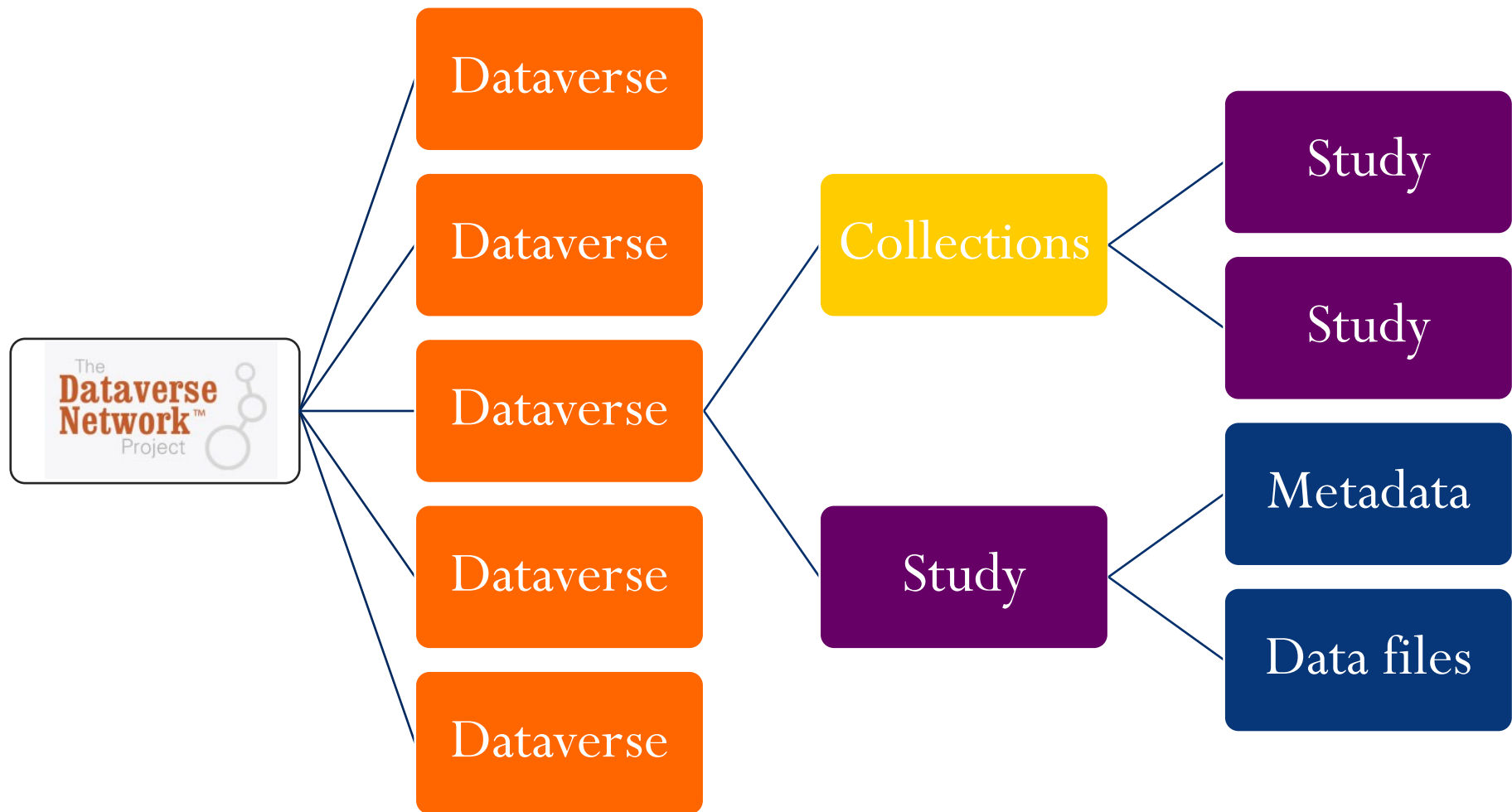
- Dataverse Network: **centralized** professional archiving with **distributed** control and recognition

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- Persistent identifiers
 - Fixity
 - Backups & recovery
 - Metadata standards
 - Conversion standards
 - Preservation standards



- Branding & visibility
- Data discovery
- Ease of use
- Scholarly citation
- Control over updates
- Terms of access & use

How It Works



Supporting Data

Tabular Data:

STATA

SPSS

R

CSV + control card

Tab delimited + DDI

Social Network Data:

GraphML

Other data or relevant files:

All formats are accepted BUT
only tabular files have value
added data support

- Convert to a preservation format (data and metadata)
- Calculate Universal Numerical Fingerprint (UNF)
- Download in multiple formats
- Download a subset of the data
- Generate summary statistics
- Apply Zelig (R) statistical methods
- Visualize time series
- Define Terms of Use and Permission

Creating Data Citations

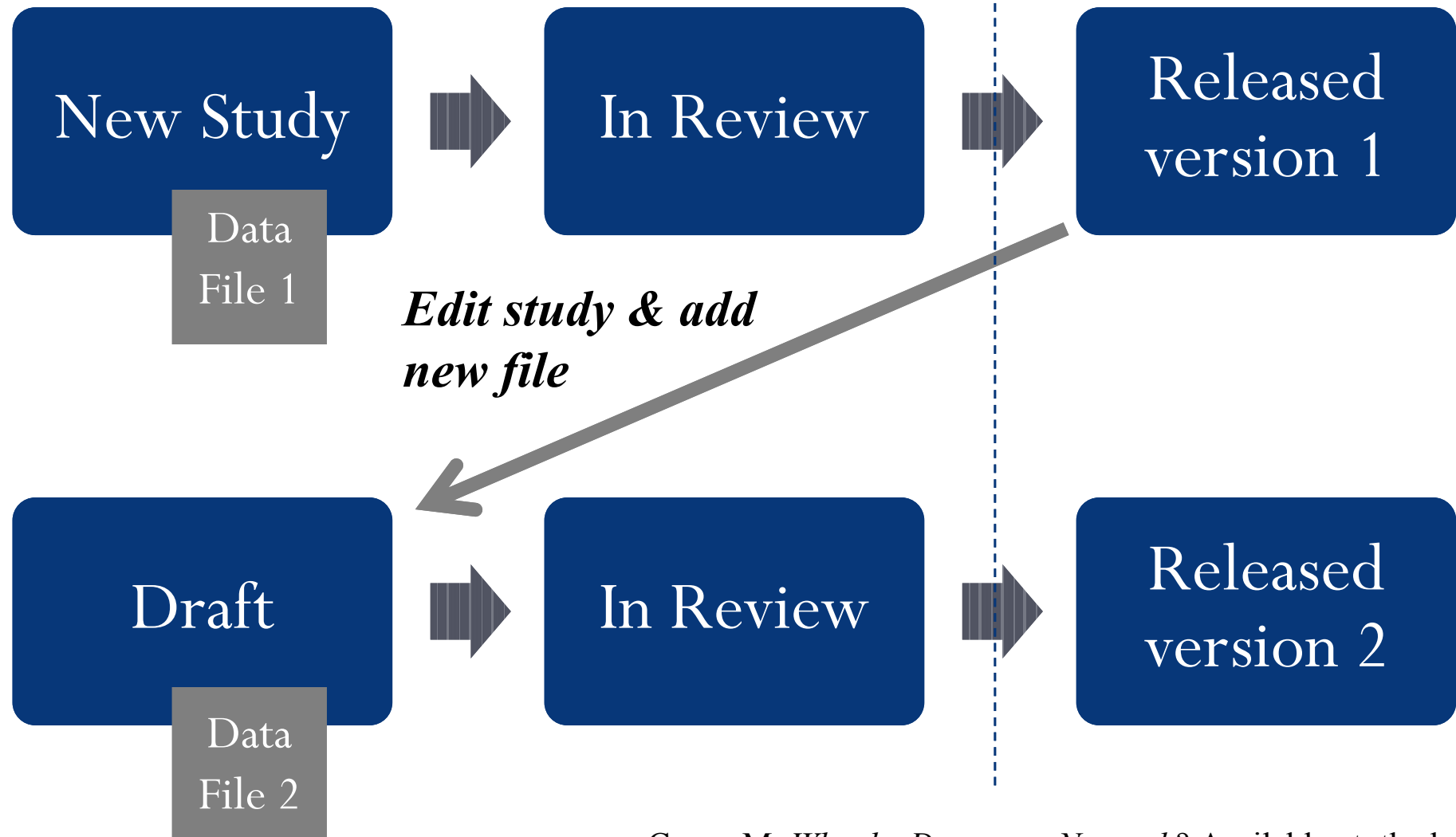
- Author(s)
- Year
- Title
- Persistent URL and ID (DOI coming soon)
- UNF
- Distributor
- Version
- Other optional fields

Louis Harris and Associates, Inc., 1992, "Harris 1984 Female Veterans Survey, study no. 843002", <http://hdl.handle.net/1902.29/H-843002>
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for Research in Social Science [Distributor] V1 [Version]

Managing Data and Versions

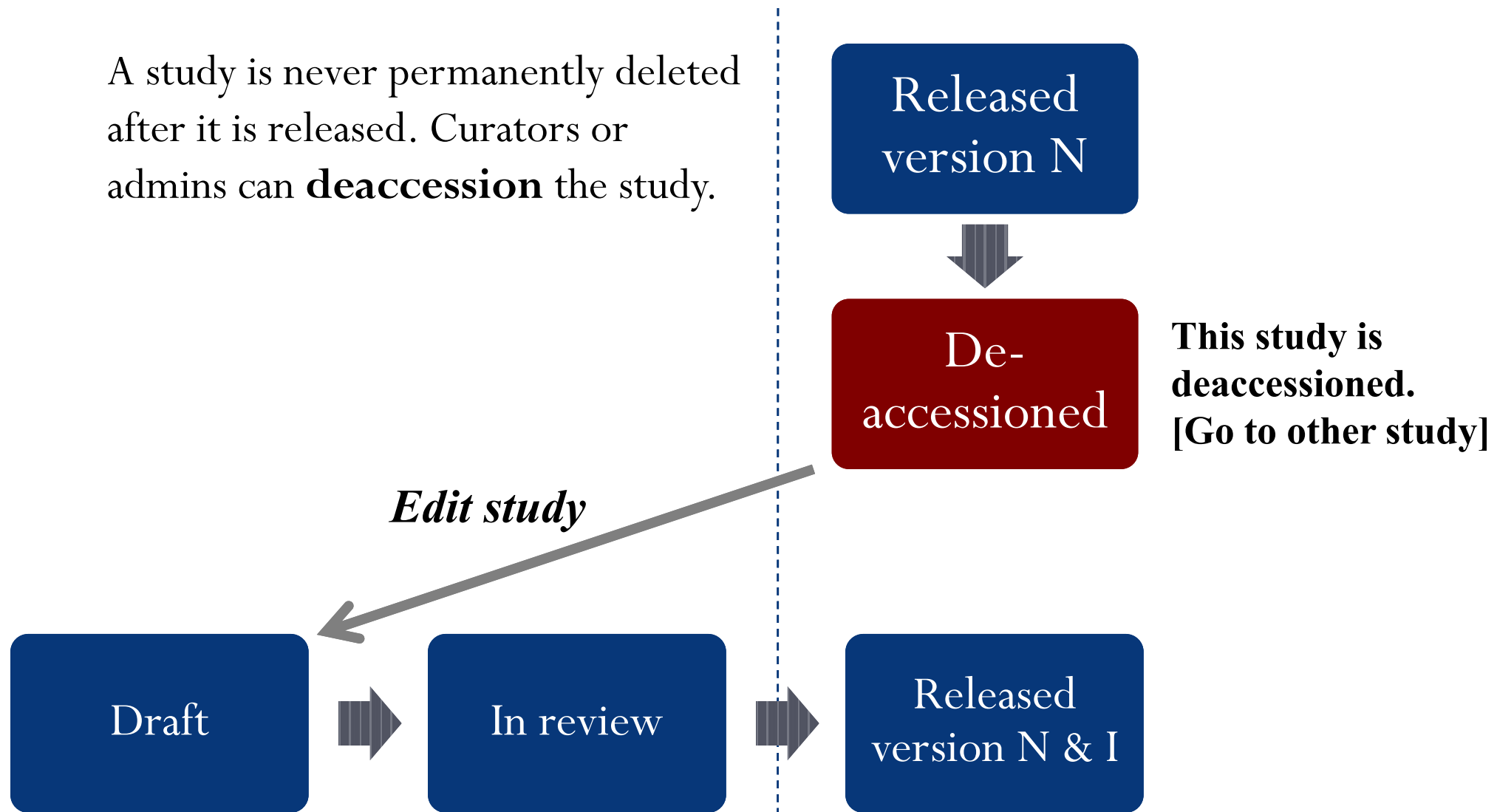
Contributor, curator, admin view

End user view



Data Never Permanently Deleted

A study is never permanently deleted after it is released. Curators or admins can **deaccession** the study.



Supporting Standards

- Study and variable metadata are exported into **XML** (Dublin Core, Data Documentation Initiative – DDI, FGDC) and **MARC**
- **OAI-PMH** for harvesting metadata
- **LOCKSS** for data duplication in multiple locations
- **Z39.50** for distributed search
- **E-Z Proxy** to authenticate for data access

Moving Beyond Social Science

- Dataverse Network is cross-disciplinary
- We are expanding the study metadata and building communities of interested groups:
 - dataverse-community@googlegroups.com



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