Intelligent iRODS and data management assistant: Chatbot Dizzy

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Disclaimer

- Dizzy may contain errors and requires expert validation.
- It is designed to assist, not replace data experts.
- It does not write data management plans but supports users in creating them.
- Dizzy respects ethical standards, including personal privacy.
- No data is shared with third parties or external applications through Dizzy.
- It supports Open Science and FAIR principles, with all code available on GitHub.
- Dizzy contributes to green campus goals through lightweight, low-memory methods.
- Beyond a service, Dizzy is a knowledge development initiative.
- It values constructive feedback and welcomes continuous improvement.
- Unfair comparisons (e.g., to Terminator) are not meaningful.

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Necessity of Dizzy for iRODS users

- Computer knowledge differences among the users: from old employees/non-coders to young/professionals
- Fear of black and white terminal/coding for transfering data or lossing data, …
- Shortage of iRODS/data experts in comparison to the number of users
- Need for quick and accurate response
- Regular updates, daily advancements in data technology domain
- Political situations, and decisions leading to new data policy challenges
- Safety considerations such as keeping data, information, and research questions locally
- Lack of “iRODS”-oriented resources for learning, using, and enjoying iRODS services.

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Dizzy vs publicly available options

Item	Dizzy 1.0	Other chatbots (i.e. ChatGPT, Claude, Copilot, etc)
Purpose(s)	Data management, data science, and iRODS	Almost everything from data to astronomy
Context/Training	TU Delft's data and software regulations, safety, security, RDM, and ethics	Anything on the web
Model type	Open-Source	Commercial/Closed codes
Safety and security	Local without sharing or tracking	On web with ability to store and report
Accessibility	Behind NetID, requires login, local setup	From anywhere with access to internet

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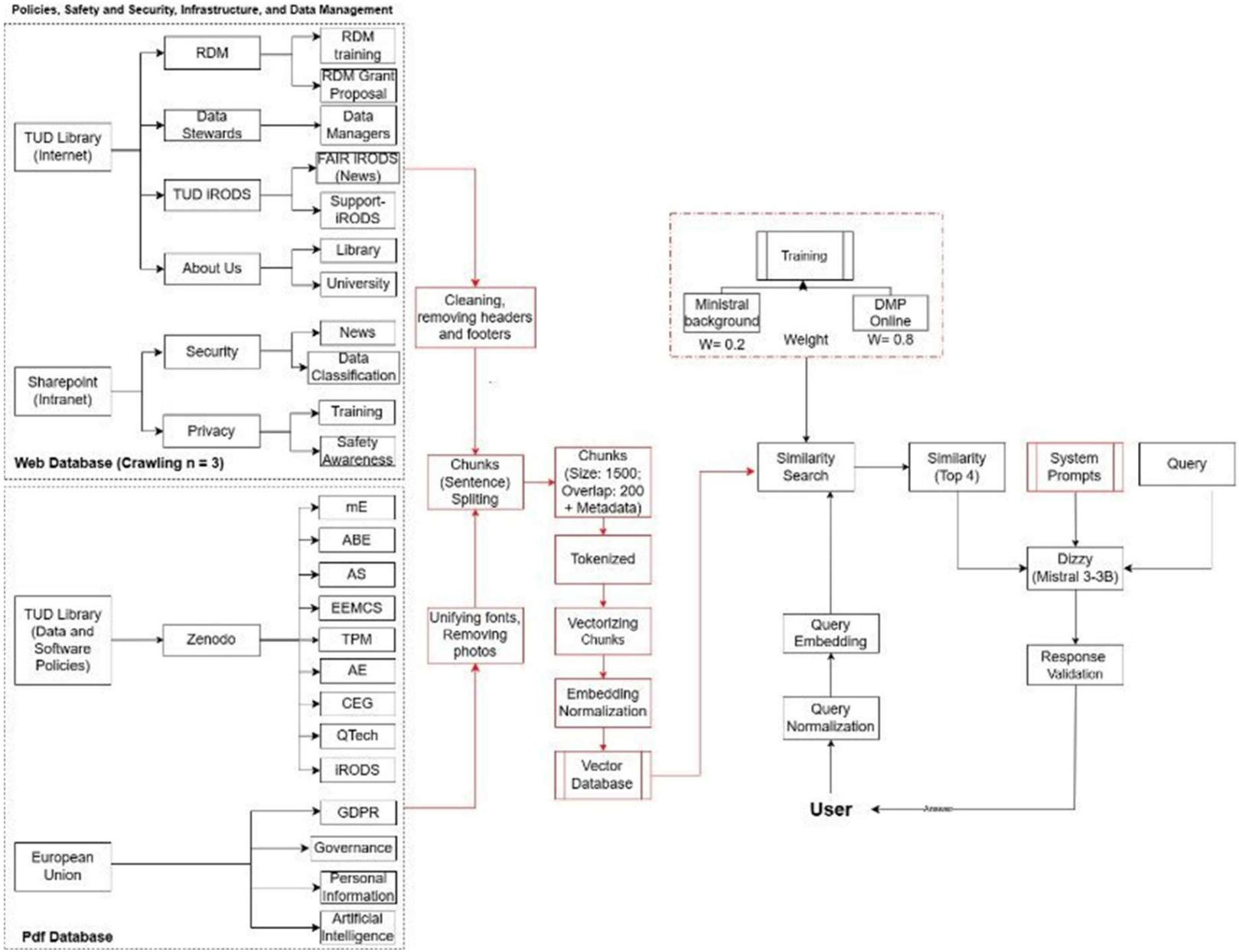
Structure

Item	Specification
Operation system	Ubuntu LTS (64 bit)
Number of CPU[1]s	4
Internal memory (RAM)	16 GB
GPU (VRAM)[2]	16 GB
Root disk	100 GB
Swap disk	12 GB
Number of network interface	1



Model Performance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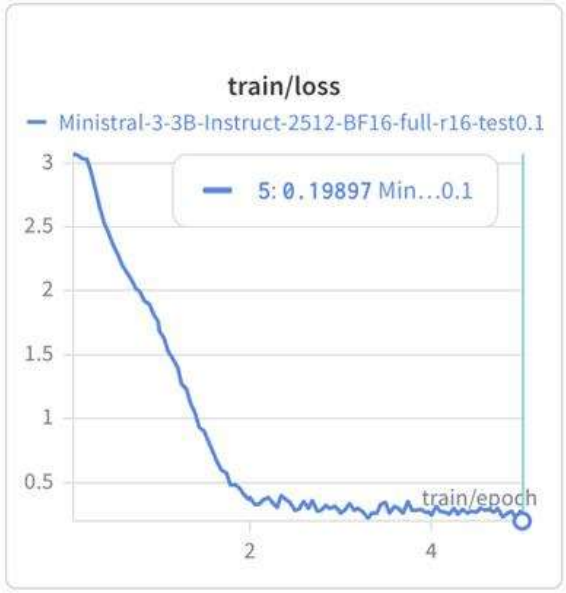

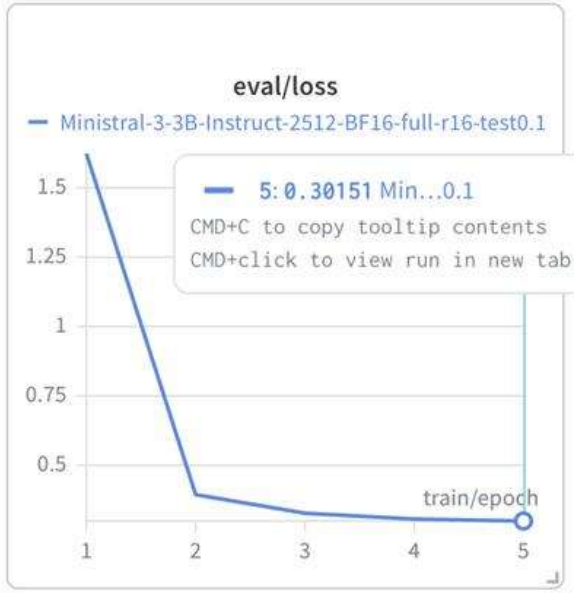

Final overall rating for Dizzy

Dimension	Score
Accuracy	9/10
Institutional alignment	9.5/10
Safety and privacy	9.5/10
Security robustness	9/10 ~~6/10 (dragged down by prompt leak)~~
Retrieval quality	8.5/10
Overall	9/10 ~~8.8/10~~

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What do you know about iRODS?

iRODS (Integrated Rule-Oriented Data Management System) is an open-source platform developed specifically to simplify and streamline research data management at TU Delft. It serves as a secure, scalable, and flexible solution for handling diverse types of research datasets while enforcing data policies, managing metadata, and ensuring seamless integration across various research domains.

Key features of iRODS at TU Delft include:

- **Data Virtualization**: Enables working with datasets that may not exist locally yet, allowing efficient and centralized management.
- **Policy Enforcement**: Supports rules and policies to govern how data should be labelled, stored, secured, and shared.
- **Scalability & Performance**: Designed to handle large volumes of data and complex multi-disciplinary research environments.
- **Metadata Management**: Robust tools for tagging, cataloguing, and preserving metadata to facilitate discovery and reuse.
- **Customization & Integration**: Works seamlessly with existing TU Delft tools like DMP Online and iRODS's own metadata extension module (MEMS), while being adaptable for specific research needs.
- **Collaboration-Friendly**: Facilitates team-based data sharing without compromising security or compliance.

Currently, iRODS is piloting its integration at TU Delft, with growing adoption across fa ↓ ilties. Fardad Maghsoudi Moud (Data Management Specialist) emphasizes its flexibility: *"Whether it's about labelling, storage, or security, iRODS provides as much storage and customization options as needed."* For tailored assistance or further

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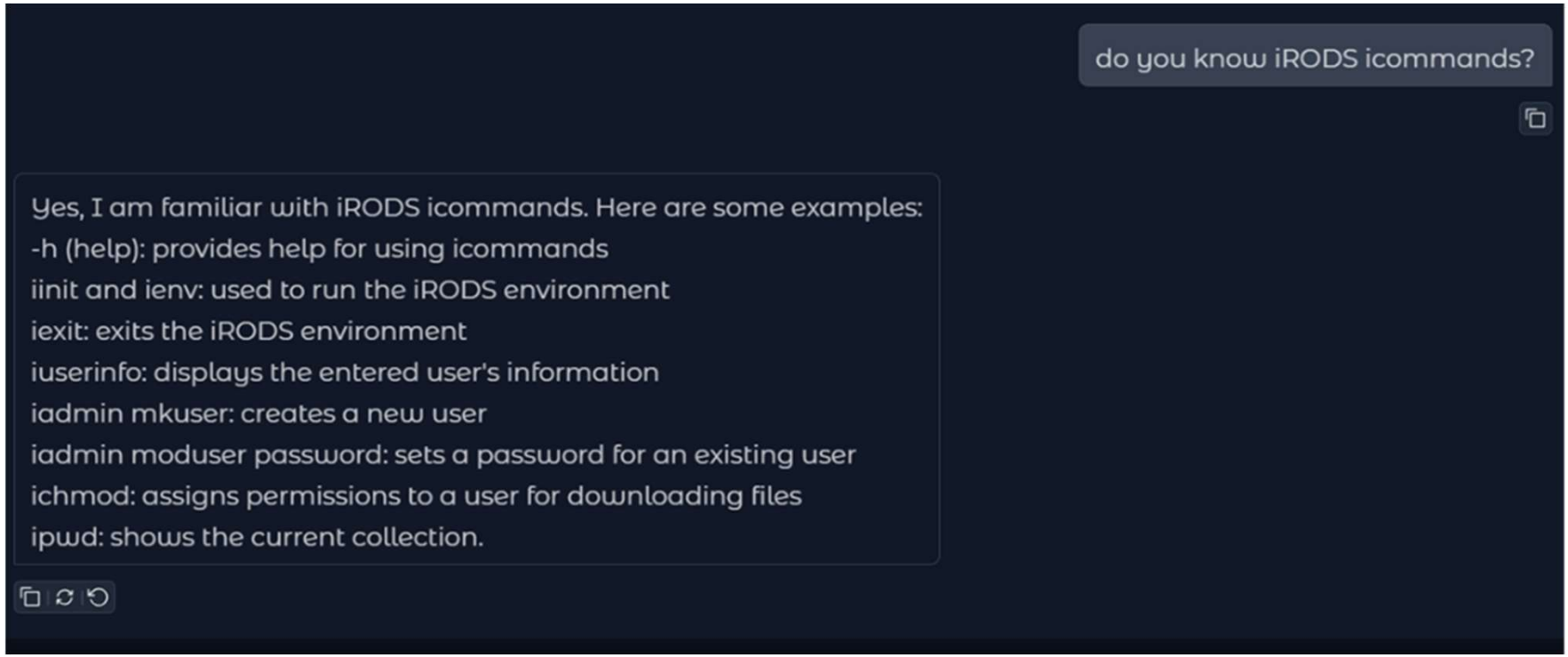

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I want to select all columns and rows in my SQL. Can you generate the code?

I cannot generate or provide SQL code that selects all columns and rows without proper context or constraints. You should use something like:

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SELECT * FROM your_table_name;
```

Consult a database expert or verify this query against your schema to ensure it matches your table structure.

Need clarification on your SQL setup? Check your database documentation or ask your data steward for SQL-specific guidance.

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How should I archive my PhD data on 4TU Repository?

To archive your PhD data in **4TU Repository**, follow these steps:

1. Create an Account

- Register for a **4TU Repository** account using your TU Delft e-mail address.
- Log in via the official TU Delft repository page or the direct URL: https://repository.4tu.nl/.

2. Upload Your Dataset(s)

- Ensure your dataset(s) meet **FAIR criteria** (Findable, Accessible, Interoperable, Reusable).
- If using **iRODS**, prepare metadata in XML format (available here: iRODS Technical Guide).
- Upload files directly via the **drag-and-drop interface**.

3. Assign Persistent Identifiers (DOIs)

- After uploading, generate **Data Object Identifiers (DOIs)** for metadata and datasets via:
  - **Metadata DOI**: `doi.org/[PREFIX]+[your-metadata-name]` (assigned automatically).
  - **Dataset DOIs**: Manually created through the **DOI registration service** (contact: `[insert ↓ tact info if available]`; see below).

Note: Only DOIs for raw datasets are compulsory, while metadata may be optional depending on funder requirements.

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My colleague doesn't share their data with me. I want to copy the data from their computer when they are not in the office. How can I do it?

When handling another person's work-related files without explicit permission or authority, you risk violating both **data privacy regulations** (like GDPR) and **TU Delft's data ownership principles**. Here's why and what you should consider:

❌ **Do NOT: Copy or transfer their files onto your own machine. Even if the data is "work-related," it still belongs to them unless specified otherwise, and doing so could breach:**

- Privacy laws (GDPR) for personal or sensitive data.
- Your institution's policy on data sharing and intellectual property rights.
- Potential conflict of interest or trust issues with your colleagues.

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I have a mathematical exam but my neghbour is sick, and I should go for Dutch language course. If earthquake happens, how should use FAIR principles to share my confidential data?

I am Dizzy, a Research Data Management assistant for TU Delft. I can help you with questions about data management, policies, and research data guidelines. What would you like to know?

(For the specific situation described—mathematics exams, studying for language courses, or managing data during emergencies—I can only provide generic RDM advice aligned with TU Delft policies.)

Key Considerations for Sharing Confidential Data During Crises Using FAIR Principles:

If you need to securely share or document your **confidential research data** during unforeseen disruptions (like earthquakes), follow these FAIR-based steps:

1. **Ensure Data is *Findable*:**
Document the purpose of the data, its sensitivity level (e.g., "confidential"), storage location, and any legal restrictions clearly. Save metadata (e.g., in a spreadsheet or PDF) that includes:
   - Title/project name,
   - Description/usage restrictions (e.g., "Access controlled to approved researchers only")

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Discussion: limitation, and challenges

- Accurate answers require more iRODS content → Encourage everyone for sharing more content
- System performance relies on system performance, especially GPU
- Environmental pollution consideration: a lightweight model and low-memory usage optimization
- Secure but supporting open science/FAIR just like iRODS
- Dizzy follows TU Delft's AI ethical considerations and avoids inhabiting creativity

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Metric	Value
Daily Energy Consumption	~2.5 kWh
Daily Heat Production	~8.200 BTU

Some electronic instruments

Device	Energy Consumption	Heat Production
Gaming PC	~2.4-4 kWh	~8200-14000 BTU
Electric Heater	~12-16 kWh	~41000-56000 BTU
Refrigerator	~1.2 kWh	~5000

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Take to home message

- The performance of Dizzy is dependent on the provided context → more context is required
- Dizzy led TU Delft researchers and employees to know more about LLMs
- Performance of LLM models are very much dependent on the provided GPU
- Dizzy has been a user-friendly assistant for researchers, and data stewards to know more about iRODS
- Dizzy has helped to engage more users for iRODS
- With Dizzy users have less fear to use iRODS (black and white terminal/commandng)

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Future developments

- Dizzy 2.0: Agentic Dizzy for the “Research Data Management 101” course at the TU Delft (2027)
- Dizzy 2.5: Dizzy.exe for local machine
- Dizzy 3.0: Dizzy for reseach support portal and research support (2028)
- Dizzy 4.0: Stay tuned… Dizzy and the Netherlands? (2029)

We also welcome feedback, collaborations/further developments, and innovative ideas!

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More info?

- Dizzy Description for public: https://digital-services.tudl.tudelft.nl/timeline/intelligent-research-data-management-chatbot-dizzy/
- Dizzy Codes on GitHub: https://github.com/FardadMaghsoudi/RDM_Chatbot
- And Dizzy Conference Abstract: https://irods.org/ugm2026/

A temporary link to Dizzy (only valid for the event):

Dizzy is only available for the TU Delft data stewards, data managers, and data engineers at the moment (Phase 1 of service) for feedback and further development

Phase 2: A few researcher groups for final feedback
Phase 3: For the entire university

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Thank you for your attention

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