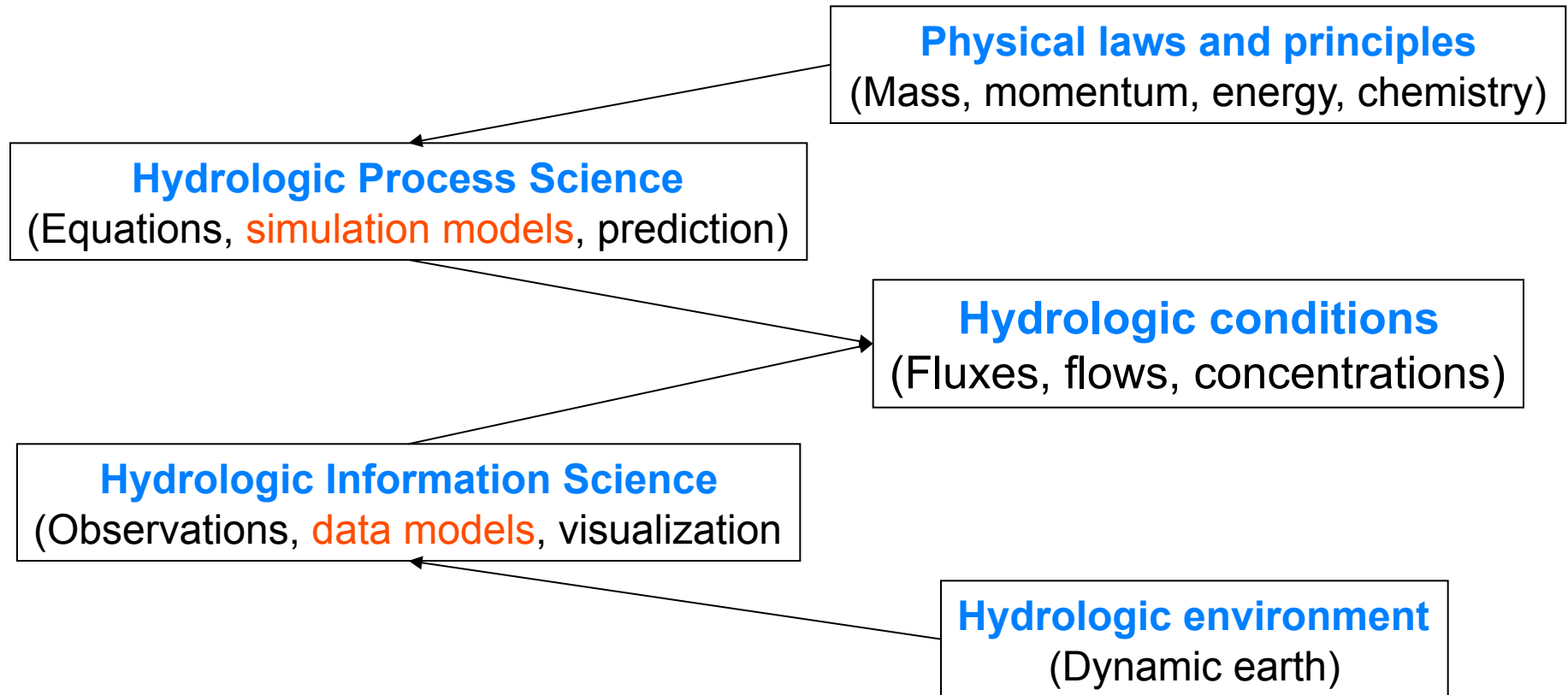


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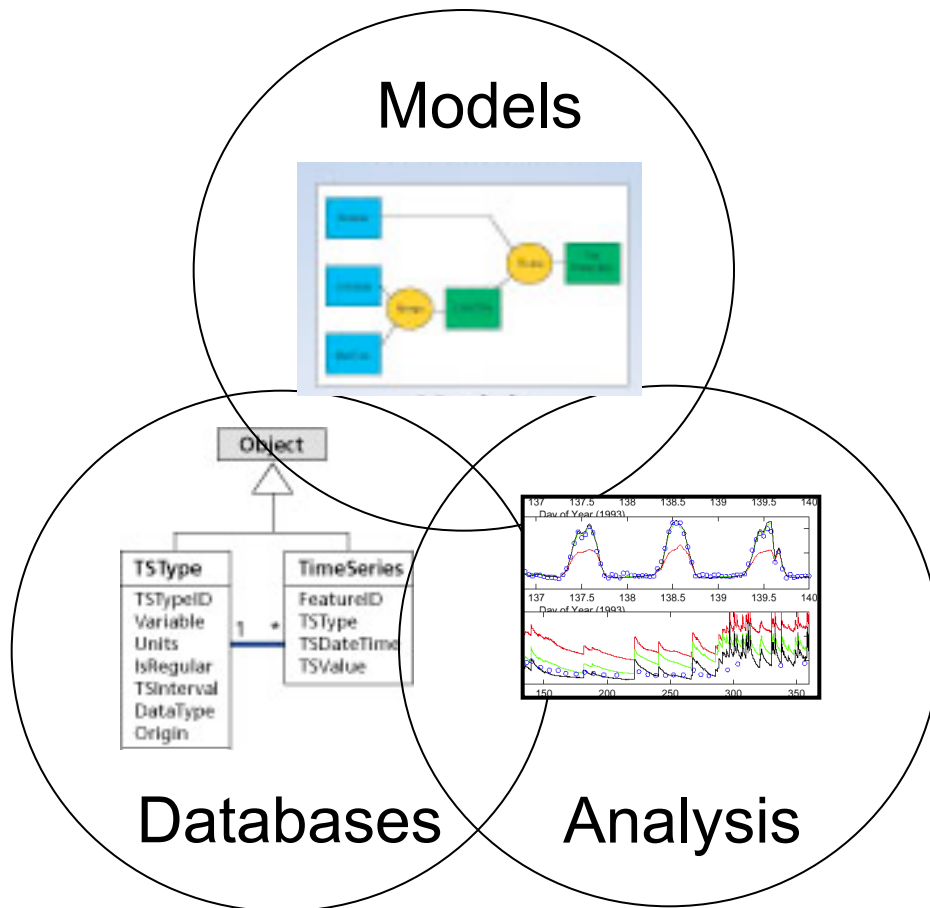
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- **WATERS Network** – Testbed Data Managers
- **HIS Standing Committee**
- **USGS** – Bob Hirsch, David Briar, Scott McFarlane
- **NCDC** – Rich Baldwin

The Need: Hydrologic Information Science

*It is as important to represent **hydrologic environments** precisely with data as it is to represent **hydrologic processes** with equations*



Advancement of **water science** is critically dependent on **integration of water information**



Databases: Structured data sets to facilitate data integrity and effective sharing and analysis.

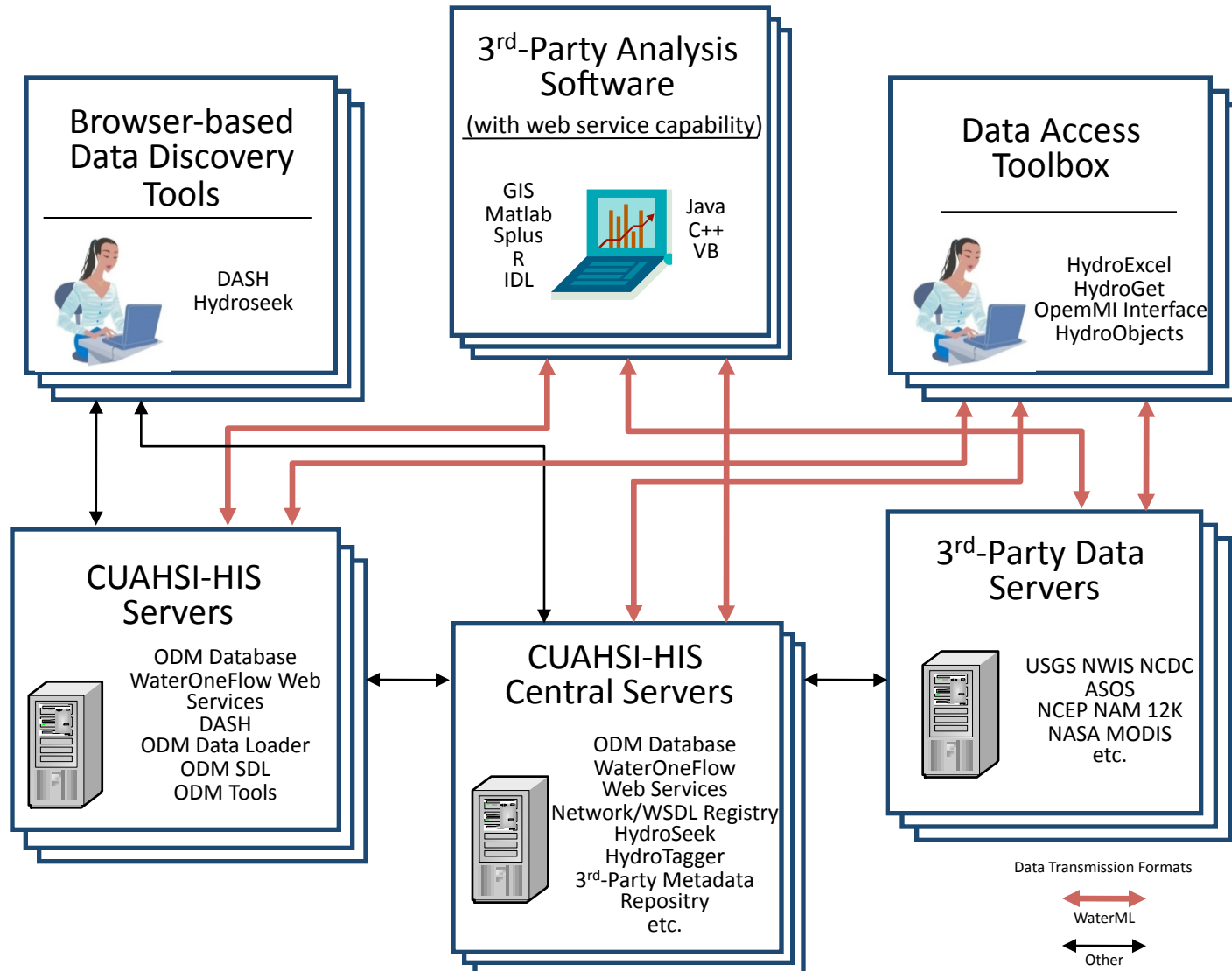
- Standards
 - Metadata
 - Unambiguous interpretation
- ODM**

Analysis: Tools to provide windows into the database to support visualization, queries, analysis, and data driven discovery.

Web Services

Models: Numerical implementations of hydrologic theory to integrate process understanding, test hypotheses and provide hydrologic forecasts.

What is the CUAHSI HIS?



An internet based system to support the sharing of hydrologic data comprising databases connected using the internet through web services as well as software for data discovery, access and publication.

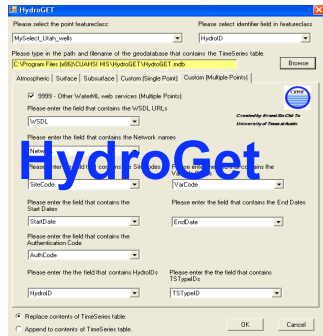
Key HIS components

Clients

HydroSeek



HydroExcel



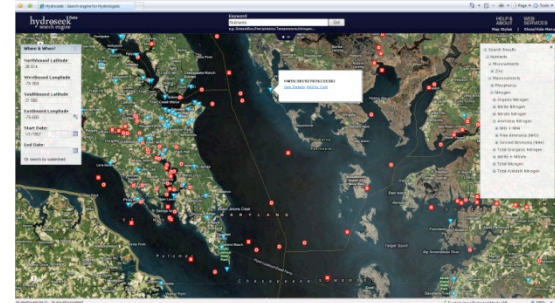
HydroGet

Direct analysis from your favorite analysis environment.
e.g. Matlab

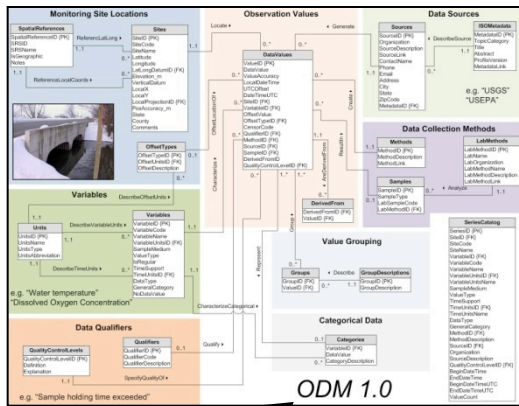
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% create WWS Class and an instance of the class
createClassFromWSDL('http://water.usac.edu/wateroneflow/
WWS/DailyValues.asmx?WWSOCL');
WS = WWSDailyValues;
% GetValues to get the data
startdate='2002-09-30T00:00:00';
enddate='2006-10-16T00:00:00';
variable='WWS:0006D';
valuexml=GetValues(WS, startdate, enddate, variable);
% parse xml to get data
count=1; % 1st yr
count=count+1; % 2nd yr
count=count+1; % 3rd yr
% value count=1478
% value values='A'
% value qualifiers='A'
% value qualifiers='A'
    
```

Matlab



ODM



ODM 1.0

WaterOneFlow

- [GetSiteInfo](#)
- [GetVariableInfo](#)
- [GetValues](#)

WSDL Registry

Ontology



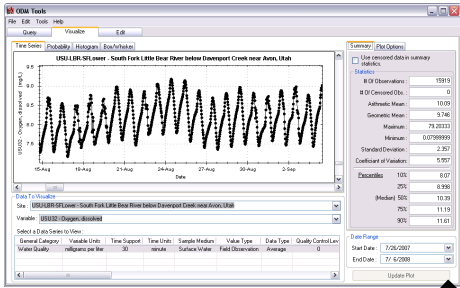
CV Services

ODM Tools

- <http://cbe.cae.drexel.edu/wateroneflow/CIMS.asmx?WSDL>
- http://ccbay.tamucc.edu/CCBayODWS/cuahsi_1_0.asmx?WSDL
- http://ees-his06.ad.ufl.edu/santafe-srgwl/cuahsi_1_0.asmx?WSDL
- http://ferry.ims.unc.edu/modmon/cuahsi_1_0.asmx?WSDL
- http://his02.usu.edu/littlebearriver/cuahsi_1_0.asmx?WSDL

CUAHSI HIS Data Publication System

Query, Visualize, and Edit data using ODM Tools



Analysis

GIS
Matlab
Splius
R
IDL

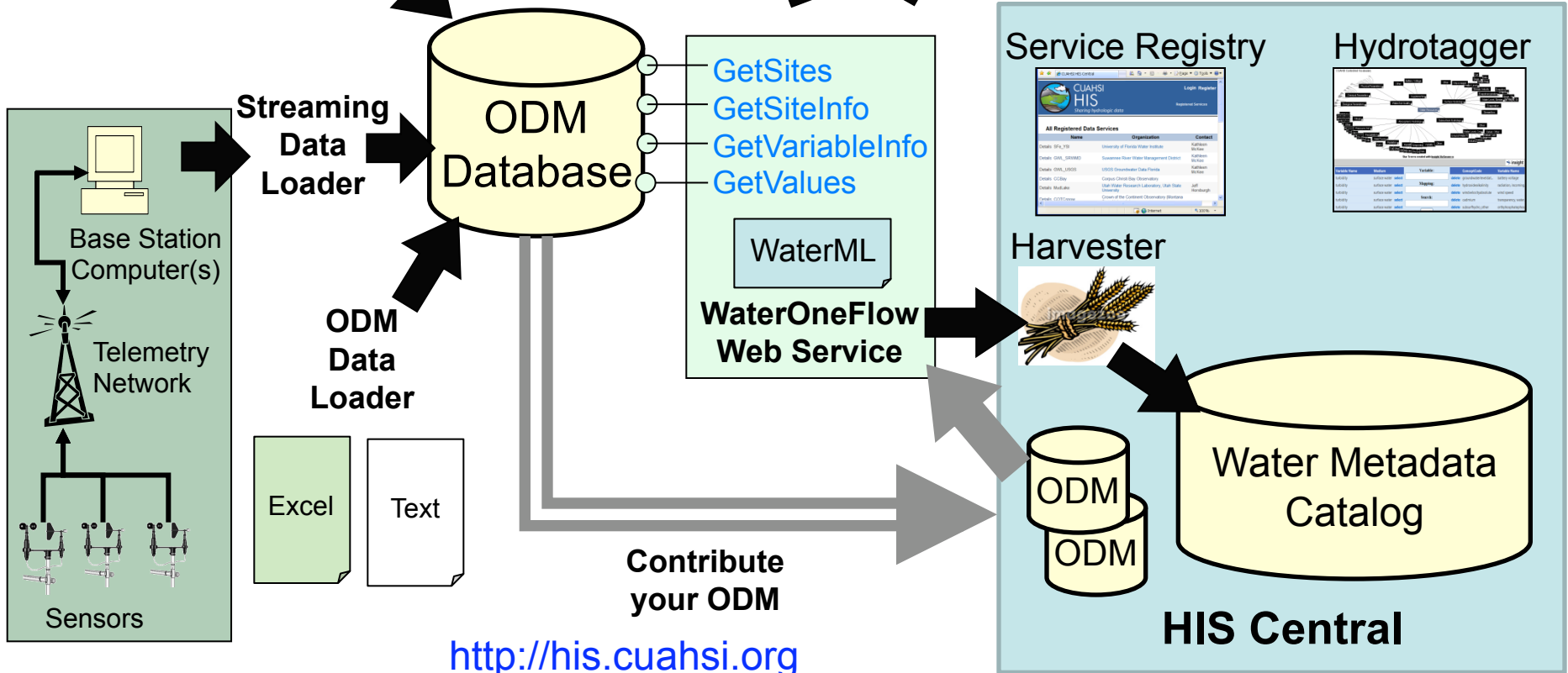
Java
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VB

Access

HydroExcel
HydroGet
HydroLink
HydroObjects

Discovery

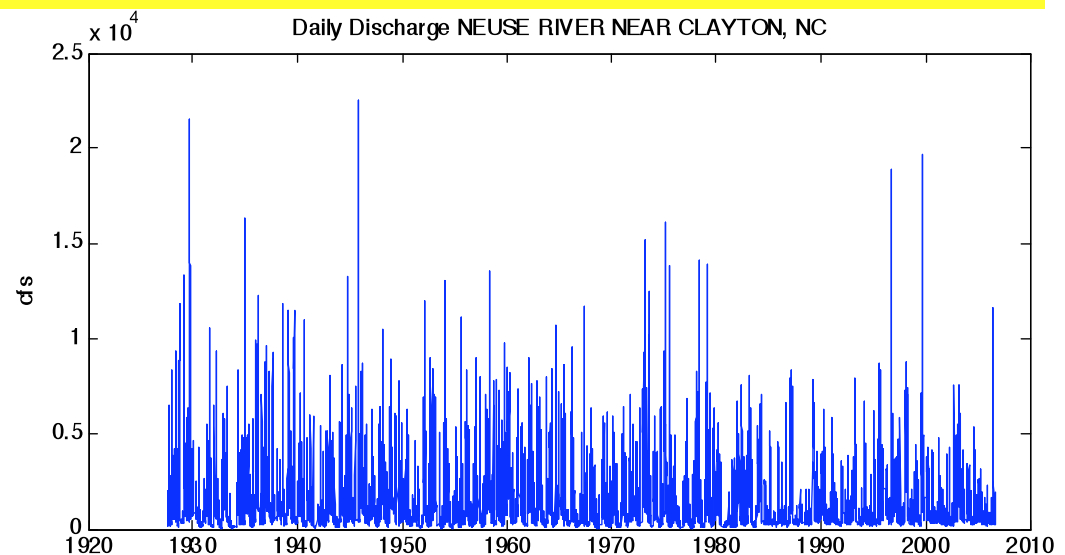
Hydroseek



Direct analysis from your favorite analysis environment. e.g. Matlab

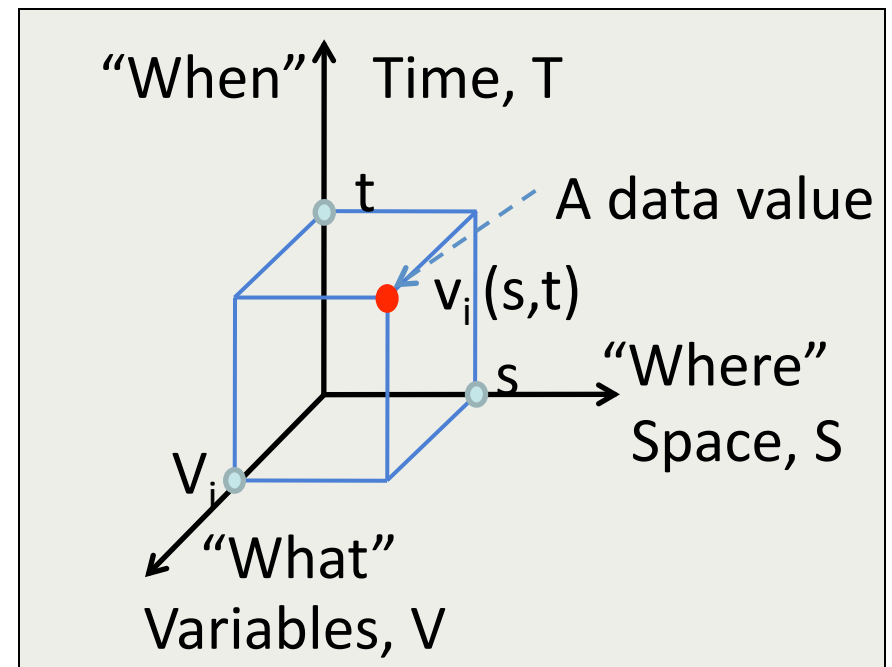
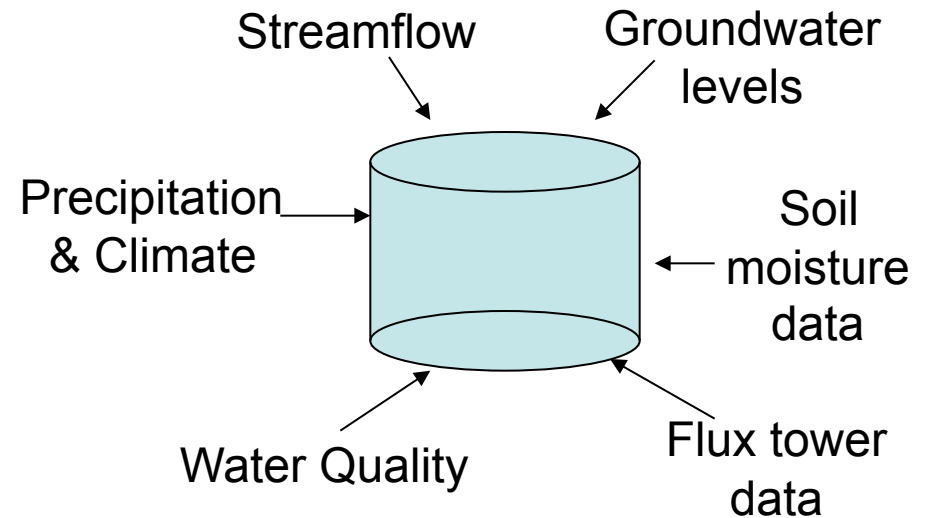
```
% create NWIS Class and an instance of the class
createClassFromWsd1('http://river.sdsc.edu/wateroneflow/
NWIS/DailyValues.asmx?WSDL');
WS = WaterOneFlow;
% GetValues to get the data
siteid='NWIS:02087500';
bdate='2002-09-30T00:00:00';
edate='2006-10-16T00:00:00';
variable='NWIS:00060';
valuesxml=GetValues(WS,siteid,variable,bdate,edate,'');
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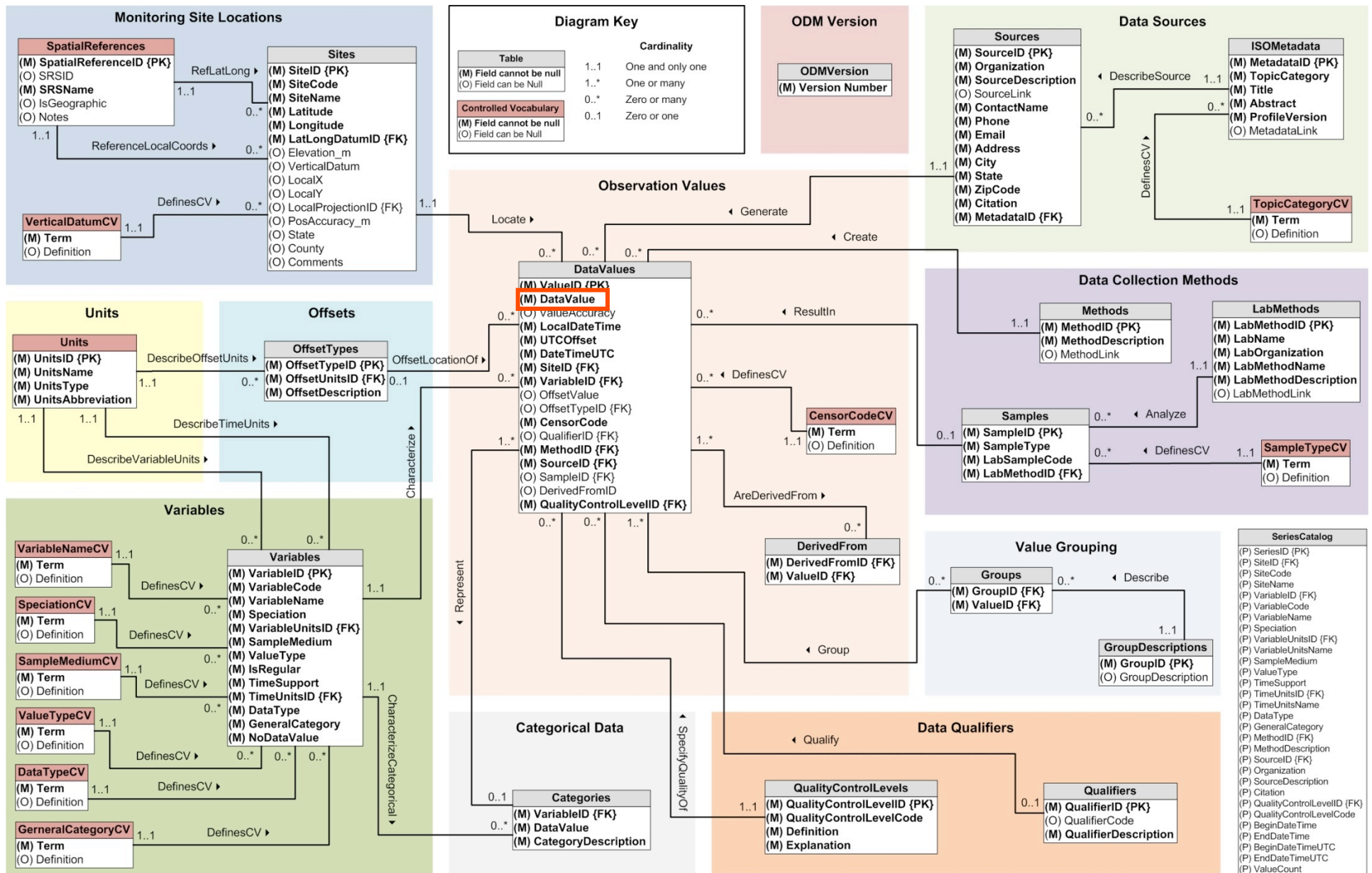
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CUAHSI Observations Data Model

- A **relational database** at the single observation level (atomic model)
- Stores **observation data** made at points
- Metadata for **unambiguous interpretation**
- Traceable heritage from **raw** measurements to **usable** information
- **Standard format** for data sharing
- **Cross dimension** retrieval and analysis





Horsburgh, J. S., D. G. Tarboton, D. R. Maidment and I. Zaslavsky, (2008), A Relational Model for Environmental and Water Resources Data, *Water Resour. Res.*, 44: W05406, doi:10.1029/2007WR006392.

Discharge, Stage, Concentration and Daily Average Example

DataValues : Table

ValueID	DataValue	ValueAccuracy	LocalDateTime	VariableID	MethodID	SourceID
201	4.49		09/04/2003 14:00:00.000	4	4	2
193	722	22.89831642	05/01/2006 0:00:00.000	3	3	1
97	748		05/01/2006 0:00:00.000	2	2	1
1	4.18		05/01/2006 0:00:00.000	1	1	1
98	748		05/01/2006 0:15:00.000	2	2	1
2	4.18		05/01/2006 0:15:00.000	1	1	1

Record: 1 of 415

Variables : Table

VariableID	VariableCode	VariableName	VariableUnitsID	SampleMedium	ValueType	IsRegular	TimeSupport	TimeUnitsID	Data Type
1	NWIS:00065	Gage height	1	Water	Field Observation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15		Continuous
2	NWIS:00060	Discharge	2	Water	Derived Value	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15		Continuous
3	NWIS:00060	Discharge, daily average	2	Water	Derived Value	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	24		Average
4	NWIS:00300	Dissolved oxygen concentration	3	Water	Field Observation	<input type="checkbox"/>	0		Instantaneous

Record: 5 of 7

Units : Table

UnitsID	UnitsName	UnitsType	UnitsAbbreviation
1	Feet	Length	ft
2	Cubic feet per second	Volume Per Time	ft^3/s
3	Milligrams per liter	Mass Per Volume	mg/L

Record: 8 of 8

Methods : Table

MethodID	MethodDescription
1	Gage height measured with continuous data logger
2	Discharge derived from water stage using site specific rating curve
3	Daily average discharge derived from 15 minute continuous discharge values
4	Dissolved oxygen measured with a Hydrolab multiprobe field instrument

Record: 1 of 6

Stage and Streamflow Example

The image displays four database tables with highlighted relationships:

- DataValues Table:** Contains columns ValueID, DataValue, ValueAccuracy, LocalDateTime, UTCOffset, SiteID, VariableID, MethodID, and DerivedFromID. Row 97 is highlighted in yellow.
- DerivedFrom Table:** Contains columns DerivedFromID and ValueID. Row 1 is highlighted in yellow.
- Variables Table:** Contains columns VariableID, VariableCode, VariableName, VariableUnitsID, SampleMedium, ValueType, IsRegular, TimeSupport, TimeUnitsID, DataType, GeneralCategory, and NoDataValue. Row 2 is highlighted in yellow.
- Units Table:** Contains columns UnitsID, UnitsName, UnitsType, and UnitsAbbreviation. Row 2 is highlighted in yellow.
- Methods Table:** Contains columns MethodID and MethodDescription. Row 2 is highlighted in yellow.

Relationships shown by colored lines:

- Orange:** Connects ValueID 1 in DataValues to ValueID 1 in DerivedFrom.
- Blue:** Connects VariableID 2 in DataValues to VariableCode 2 in Variables.
- Green:** Connects MethodID 2 in DataValues to MethodID 2 in Methods.
- Purple:** Connects VariableUnitsID 2 in Variables to UnitsID 2 in Units.

Daily Average Discharge Example

Daily Average Discharge Derived from 15 Minute Discharge Data

The image displays four windows from a data management application, illustrating the relationship between data values, variables, units, and methods.

DataValues : Table

ValueID	DataValue	ValueAccuracy	LocalDateTime	UTCOffset	SiteID	VariableID	MethodID	DerivedFromID
1	4.18		05/01/2006 0:00:00.000	-7	1	1	1	
97	748		05/01/2006 0:00:00.000	-7	1	2	2	
193	722	22.89831642	05/01/2006 0:00:00.000	-7	1	3	3	100
2	4.18		05/01/2006 0:15:00.000	-7	1	1	1	
98	748		05/01/2006 0:15:00.000	-7	1	2	2	
3	4.17		05/01/2006 0:30:00.000	-7	1	1	1	
99	742		05/01/2006 0:30:00.000	-7	1	2	2	
4	4.17		05/01/2006 0:45:00.000	-7	1	1	1	
100	742		05/01/2006 0:45:00.000	-7	1	2	2	
5	4.17		05/01/2006 1:00:00.000	-7	1	1	1	
101	742		05/01/2006 1:00:00.000	-7	1	2	2	
6	4.17		05/01/2006 1:15:00.000	-7	1	1	1	
102	742		05/01/2006 1:15:00.000	-7	1	2	2	

DerivedFrom : Table

DerivedFromID	ValueID
100	97
100	98
100	99
100	100
100	101
100	102
100	103
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100	106
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100	112
100	113

Variables : Table

VariableID	VariableCode	VariableName	VariableUnitsID	SampleMedium	ValueType	IsRegular	TimeSupport	TimeUnitsID	DataType	GeneralCategory	NoDataValue
1	00065	Gage height	1	Water	Field Observation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15	5	Continuous	Hydrologic	-9999
2	00060	Discharge	2	Water	Derived Value	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15	5	Continuous	Hydrologic	-9999
3	00060	Discharge, daily average	2	Water	Derived Value	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	24	6	Average	Hydrologic	-9999
4	00300	Dissolved oxygen concentration	3	Water	Field Observation	<input type="checkbox"/>	0		Instantaneous	Water Quality	-9999

Units : Table

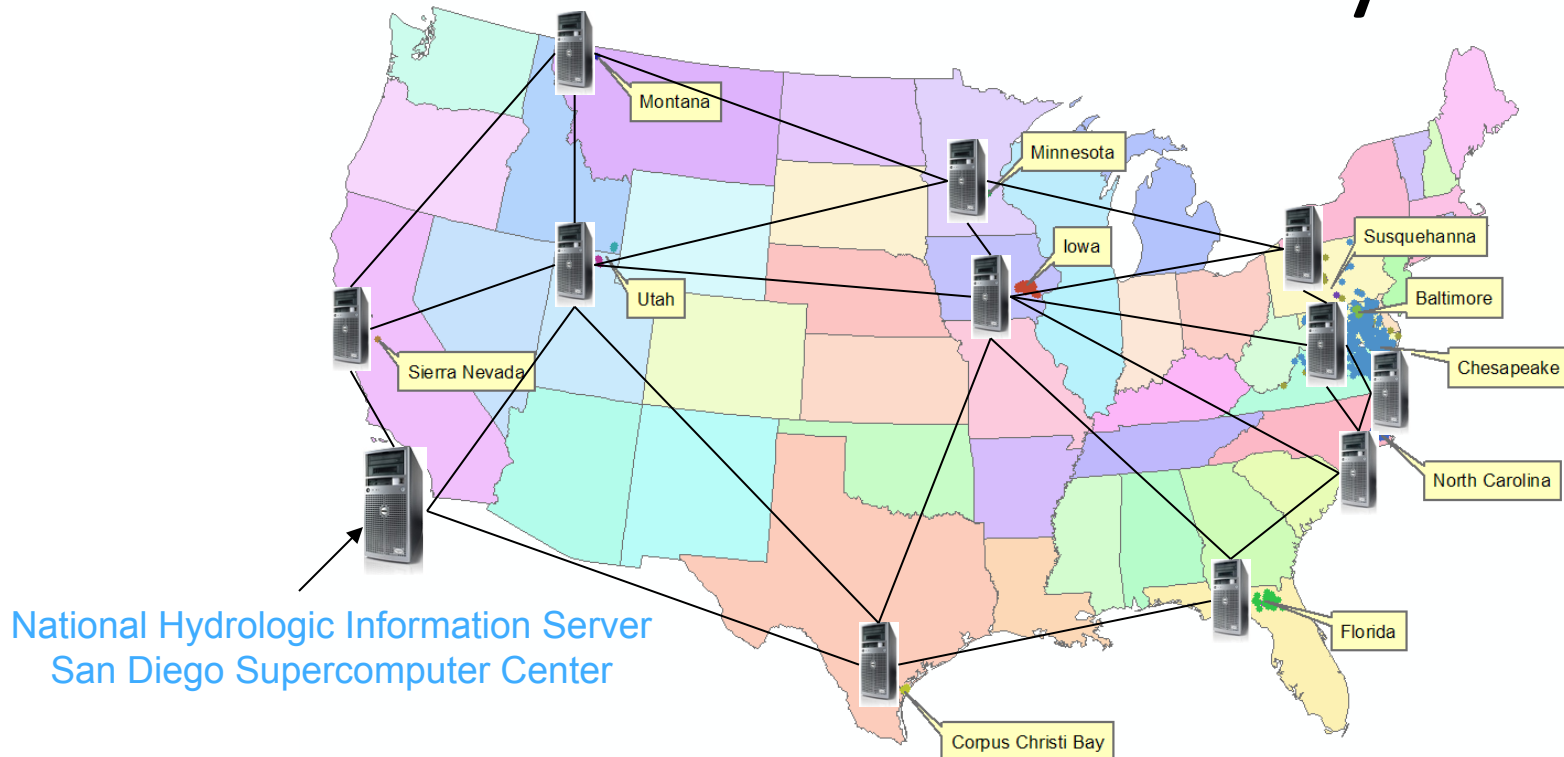
UnitsID	UnitsName	UnitsType	UnitsAbbreviation
1	Feet	Length	ft
2	Cubic feet per second	Flow	ft ³ /s
3	Milligrams per liter	Concentration	mg/L
4	Meters	Length	m
5	Minutes	Time	min
6	Hours	Time	hr

Methods : Table

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Diagrammatic connections: A blue circle highlights VariableID 3 in the DataValues table, with a line pointing to VariableID 3 in the Variables table. A green circle highlights MethodID 3 in the DataValues table, with a line pointing to MethodID 3 in the Methods table. A red circle highlights DerivedFromID 100 in the DataValues table, with a line pointing to the entire DerivedFrom table. A purple circle highlights VariableUnitsID 2 in the Variables table, with a line pointing to UnitsID 2 in the Units table.

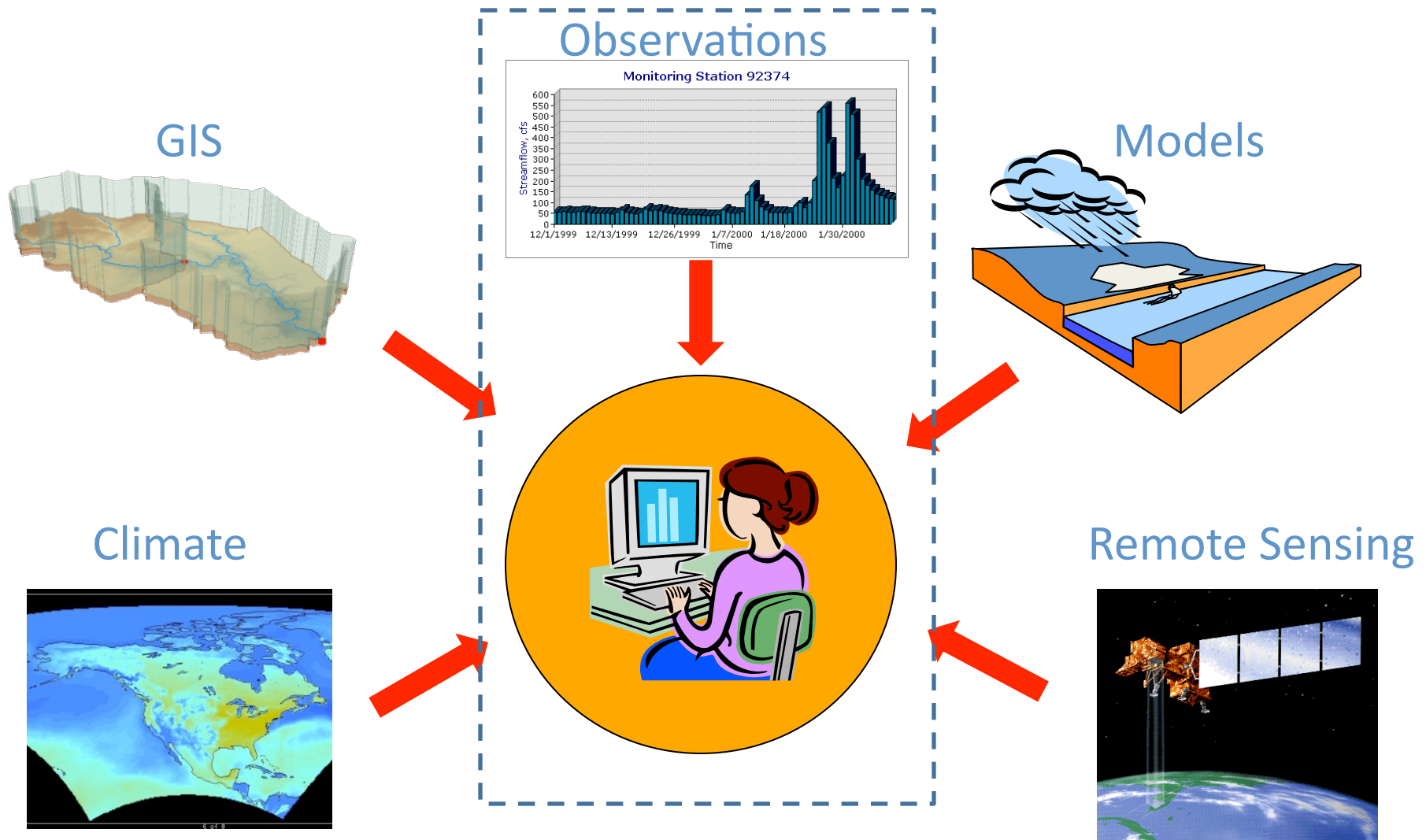
HIS Implementation in WATERS Network Information System



- **11 WATERS Network** test bed projects
- **16 ODM instances** (some test beds have more than one ODM instance)
- Data from **1246 sites**, of these, **167 sites** are operated by WATERS investigators

HIS Desktop (to be developed in 2009)

Harvesting data from web services



HIS Desktop can be rebranded to become **CZO Desktop** if necessary

Critical Zone Observatory Data Discovery

- Each CZO maintains its **own data management system(s)** using the data formats it prefers
- The three CZO's have a **common metadata management system**, expressed in tables, where each table record describes a particular data series or dataset, including its **URL address**
- CZO Metadata tables are published and **accessed through the internet** using **Web Feature Services (WFS)** defined by the Open Geospatial Consortium
- Metadata table records are **linked to geographic features**, also published as Web Feature Services to show data location on a **base map**

CZO Data Types

1. **Regular Time Series** – data measured with automated sensors at a fixed location at regular intervals
2. **Irregular Time Series** – manually collected field samples from a fixed location at irregular intervals

Point Observations Time Series

3. **GIS** coverages and photos
4. **One-Time Collections** – rock and soil samples collected once at known position and depth
5. **Other Data** – LIDAR, land surveys, channel cross-sections, tree surveys, geophysics, snow surveys

Observations Catalog for Waters Network Testbed Project in Corpus Christi Bay

http://129.116.104.172/ArcGIS/services/CCBAY_MySelect/GeoDataServer/WFSServer

displayed over the US Hydrology Base Map from

http://downloads2.esri.com/resources/arcgisdesktop/maps/us_hydrology.mxd

The same metadata structure supports data access through **WaterML**

Layers

- TAMUCC_CCBay_MySelect
- Dams (US Army Corp of Engineers)
- Aquifers (USGS)
- National Hydrological Dataset (USGS)
- Watersheds (USGS)
- Imagery
- Shaded relief

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Records: 1 Show: All Selected Records (8 out of 401 Selected) Options

WSDL address and parameters to obtain observations data using GetValues

Metadata for selected data series at observation point H1

Summary

- Generic method for publishing observational data
 - Supports **many types** of point observational data
 - ODM and WaterML Overcome **syntactic and semantic heterogeneity** using a standard data model and controlled vocabularies
 - Supports a national network of observatory test beds but **can grow!**
- Web services provide programmatic machine access to data
 - Work with the data in your data analysis software of choice
- Internet-based applications provide user interfaces for the data and geographic context for monitoring sites