



# Community cyberinfrastructure for modeling earth-surface processes

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# CSDMS

*share resources,  
collaborate*



**COMMUNITY  
SUPPORT**

*create, run, test,  
analyze, and apply  
models*



**COMPUTING  
RESOURCES**

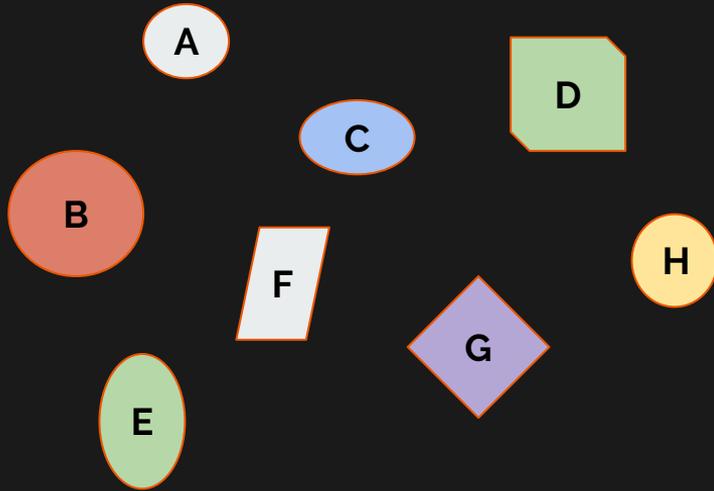
*learn and teach*



**EDUCATION  
OPPORTUNITIES**



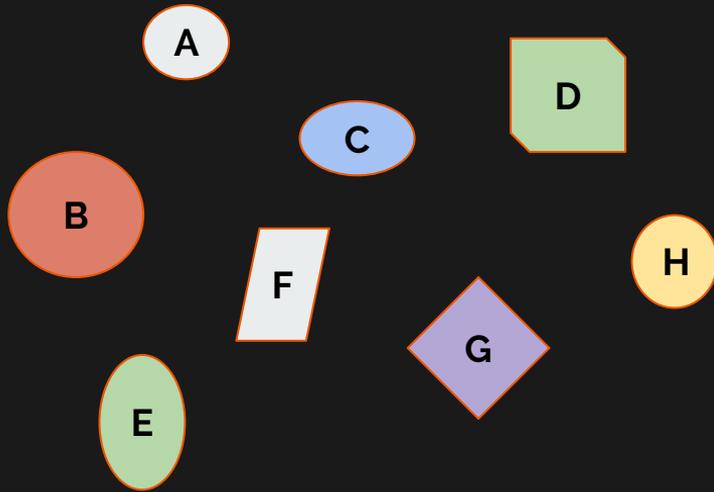
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Step 1: Write models  
Step 2: ???  
Step 3: Science!



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**Step 1: Write models**

**Step 2: CSDMS Modeling Framework**

**Step 3: Science!**

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**Problem:**

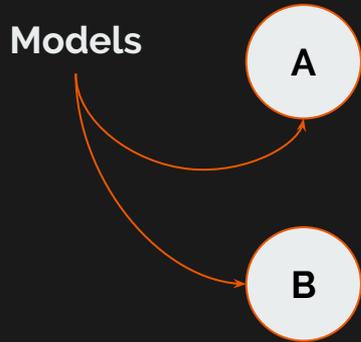
**How can we standardize  
access to models?**

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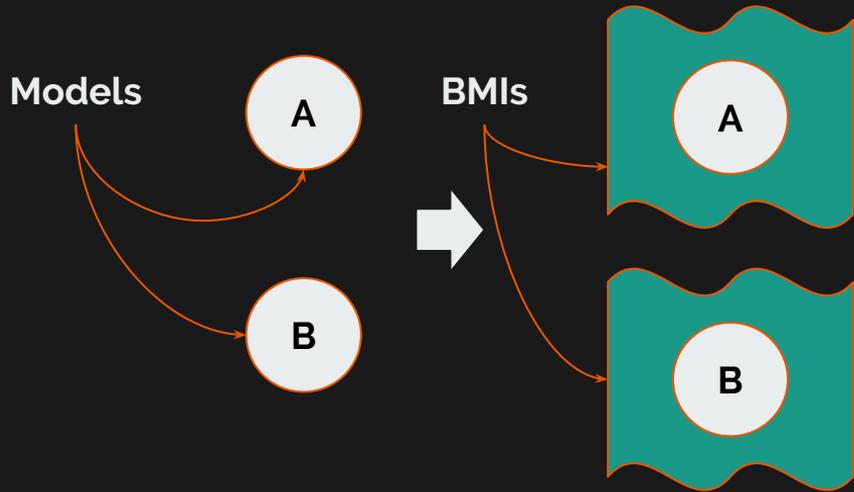
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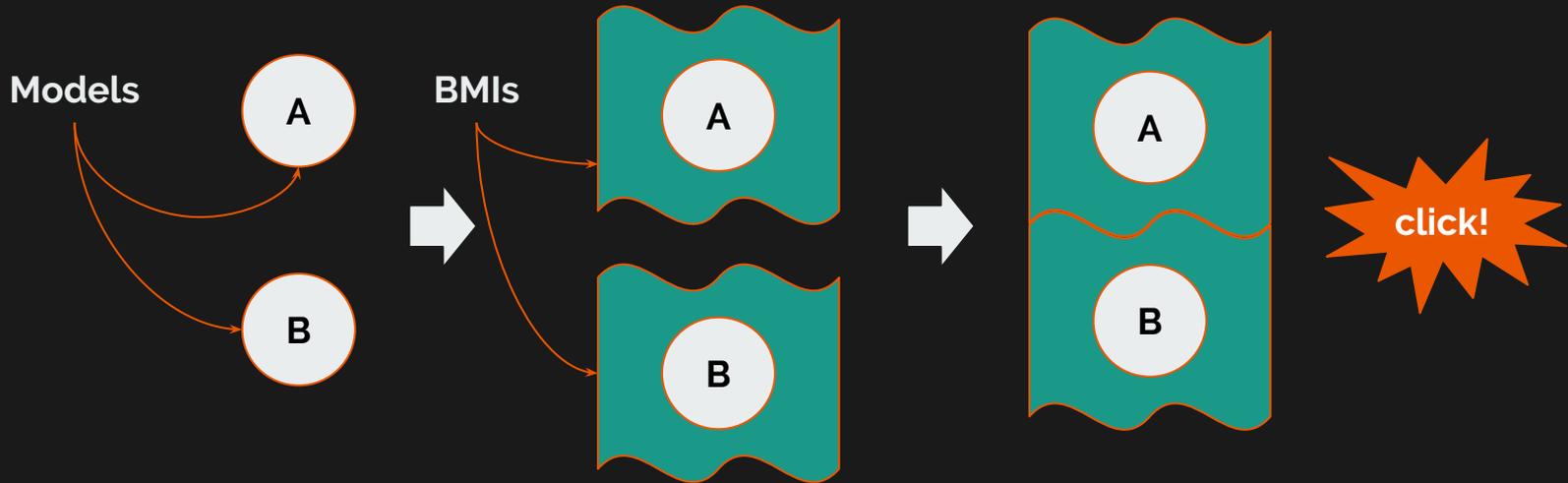
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**Problem:**

**How can we ensure that  
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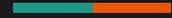
temperature



# CSDMS Standard Names

temperature

surface



# CSDMS Standard Names

dry bulb

**temperature**

surface



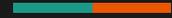
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# CSDMS Standard Names

dry bulb

3 m

**temperature**

10 m

virtual

potential

surface



# CSDMS Standard Names

dry bulb  
3 m  
10 m  
**temperature**  
instantaneous  
virtual  
potential  
surface



# CSDMS Standard Names

dry bulb  
3 m  
diurnal mean  
**temperature**  
10 m  
virtual  
instantaneous  
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# CSDMS Standard Names

dry bulb  
monthly mean  
3 m  
diurnal mean  
**temperature**  
10 m  
virtual  
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surface



# CSDMS Standard Names

object



atmosphere\_bottom\_air



# CSDMS Standard Names

object

atmosphere\_bottom\_air\_..

quantity

temperature



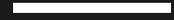
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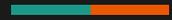
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**Problem:**

**How can we couple models  
written in different  
languages?**

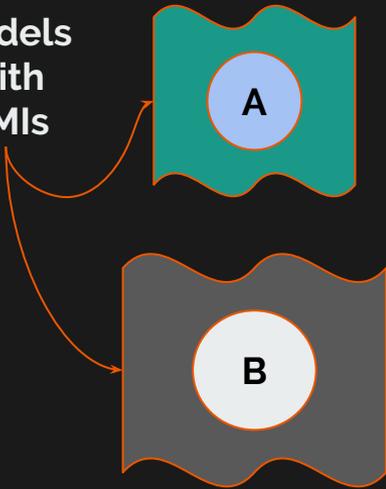


**Babel\***



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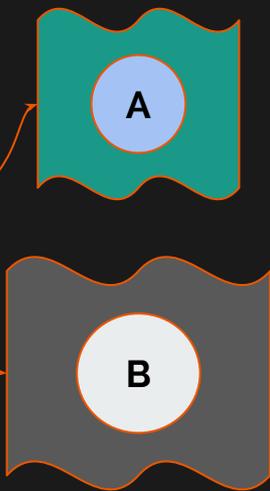
Models  
with  
BMIs



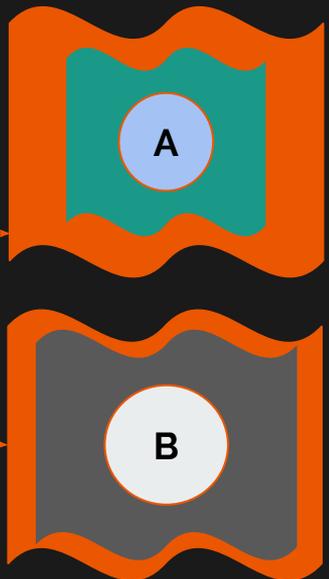


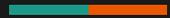
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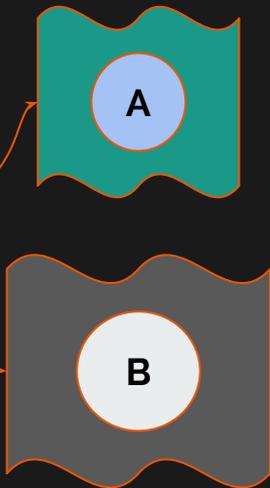
Babelized  
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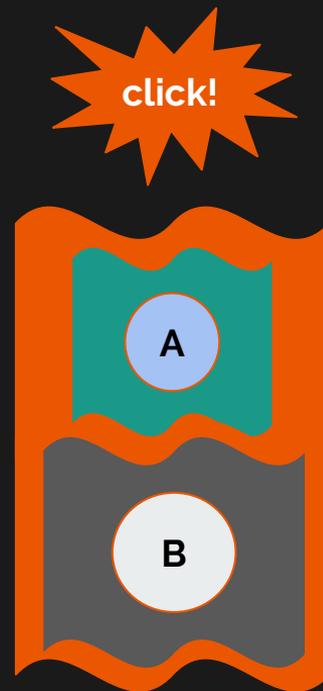
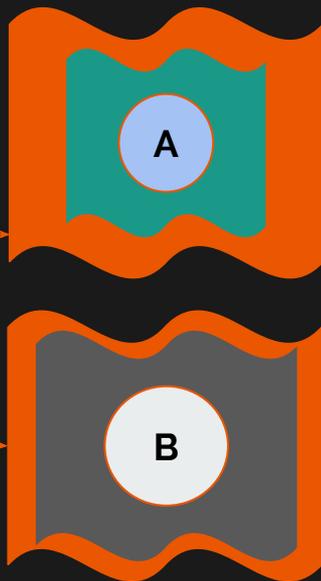


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Models  
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Babelized  
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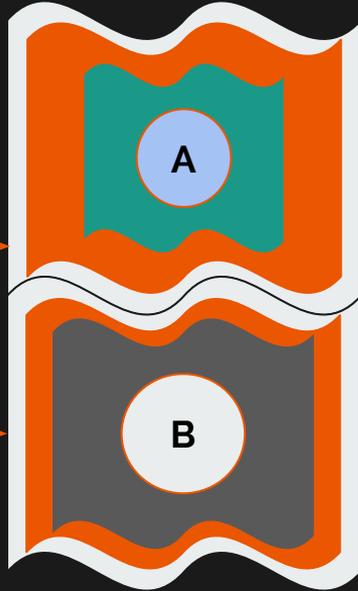
**How can we put all this  
together?**

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# Python Modeling Toolkit (PyMT)

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Babelized  
components  
communicating  
through PyMT



```
from pymt.components import Sedflux3D

model = Sedflux3D()
(fname, initdir) = model.setup()
model.initialize(fname, dir=initdir)
for _ in xrange(10):
    model.update()
model.finalize()
```



# Todo

- Replace Babel
- Coupling with data
- Modeling in a geospatial context
- Decrease time/effort from model → component
- Better documentation and examples



# Links

**CSDMS:** <https://csdms.colorado.edu>

**BMI:** [https://csdms.colorado.edu/wiki/BMI\\_Description](https://csdms.colorado.edu/wiki/BMI_Description)

**Standard Names:** [https://csdms.colorado.edu/wiki/CSDMS\\_Standard\\_Names](https://csdms.colorado.edu/wiki/CSDMS_Standard_Names)

**PyMT:** [https://csdms.colorado.edu/wiki/Tools\\_portal#PyMT](https://csdms.colorado.edu/wiki/Tools_portal#PyMT)



# Summary

**CSDMS cyberinfrastructure supports a bottom-up, community-driven modeling effort that seeks to accelerate the pace of discovery in earth-surface dynamics.**

Thank you!