

# Dr2xml Training

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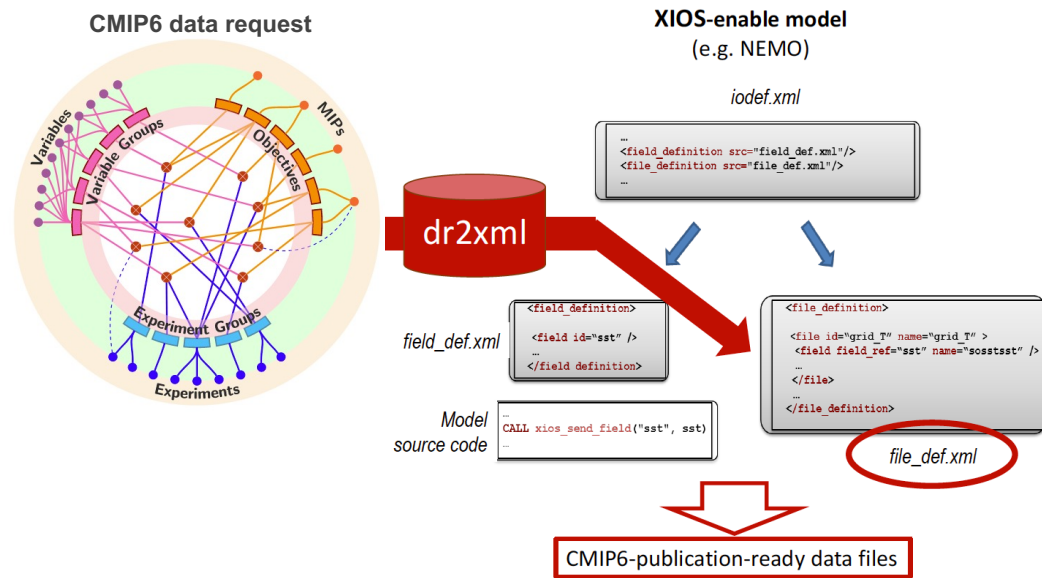
## 3. Usage

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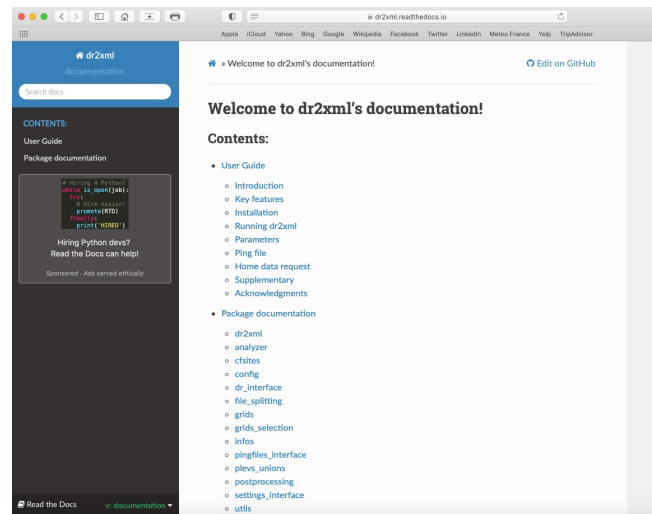
## 4. Functionalities

- Basic functions
- Customisation
- Extended usage

- Python tool
- XIOS file-def XML writer
  - Automatic NetCDF file handling (naming, time-splitting, metadata, append write...)
  - fields and attributes (« variable » in XIOS vocab) in file
  - Automatic implementation of XIOS spatial & temporal filters
- Useful for :
  - XIOS-enabled models (output management)
  - large number of fields to output
  - standard data (format and content)
  - adding a lot of mandatory attributes in the netCDF output files
- CMIP6 production
  - Systematic production of CMIP6 compliant CF-netCDF files
  - Satisfying the CMIP6 Data Request



- Born with CMIP6 (Data Request)
- Development started in sept. 2016 (S. S n si, CNRM + M.P Moine, Cerfacs)
- Now developed & maintained by G. Rigoudy, CNRM
- Developed in close collaboration with the XIOS-dev Team (a lot of functionalities introduced in XIOS for CMIP6/dr2xml needs)
- Used at IPSL and CNRM-CERFACS for climate models doing CMIP6
  - At CNRM-CERFACS: embedded in the modelling workflow (ECLIS)
  - At IPSL : used upstream of the modelling workflow (LibGCM)
- All along the dev period, phasing with:
  - The CMIP6 Data Request versions
  - The CMIP6 Controlled vocabulary
- Stabilized version in July 2018 for CMIP6 (v1.13)
- Last evolutions:
  - Code modularization
  - New functionalities
  - Python 3 - PEP8
- Sources on Github: <https://github.com/rigoudyg/dr2xml>
- ReadtheDocs documentation : <https://dr2xml.readthedocs.io/en/documentation/> (not yet finalized)



- Big picture :
  - Developed for CMIP6 by Martin Jukes since 2016 to...
  - Meet the challenge of model/MIP objectives/experiment design complexity and exposing number/diversity of diagnosis requested by each MIP
  - Fully enable the intercomparison :

« The thousands of diagnostics generated at each centre from hundreds of simulations should be produced and documented in a consistent manner to facilitate meaningful comparisons across models. Hence, for each experiment the MIPs have requested specific output to be archived and shared via the Earth System Grid Federation (ESGF), and the CMIP6 organisers have imposed requirements on file format and metadata »

- Concretely :
  - Is a data base with:
    - a python API (facilitates automated interrogation of the data base)
    - a browsable html interface
  - That gives, for each CMIP6 simulation:
    - the variables that should be output (according to the selected priority)
    - on which grid/domain/levels
    - over which time period
    - at which frequency
    - with which netCDF attributes...
  - CMIP6 DR python API is used by dr2xml

## The CMIP6 Data Request (version 01.00.31)

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**Abstract.** The data request of the Coupled Model Intercomparison Project Phase 6 (CMIP6) defines all the quantities from CMIP6 simulations that should be archived. This includes both quantities of general interest needed from most of the CMIP6-endorsed Model Intercomparison Projects (MIPs) and quantities that are more specialised and only of interest to a single endorsed MIP. The complexity of the data request has increased from the early days of model intercomparisons, as has the

**CMIP6 Data Request**  
<http://clipc-services.ceda.ac.uk/dreq/index.html>

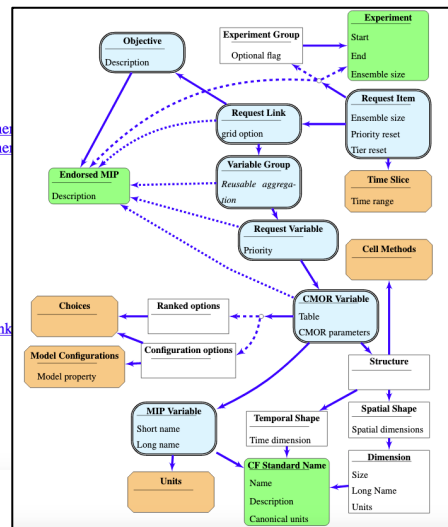
## Data Request [01.00.31]

### Overview tables and search

- [Overview: all variables and experiments](#)
- [Overview: priority 1 variables, tier 1 experiment](#)
- [Overview: priority 1 variables, tier 1 experiment](#)
- [Search for variables](#)
- [Search for experiments](#)

### Sections of the data request

- [1.1 Model Intercomparison Project \[mip\]](#)
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- [1.3 CMOR Variable \[CMORvar\]](#)
- [1.4 Request variable \(carrying priority and link\)](#)
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- [1.7 Specification of dimensions \[grids\]](#)
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- [2.2 Temporal dimension \[temporalShape\]](#)

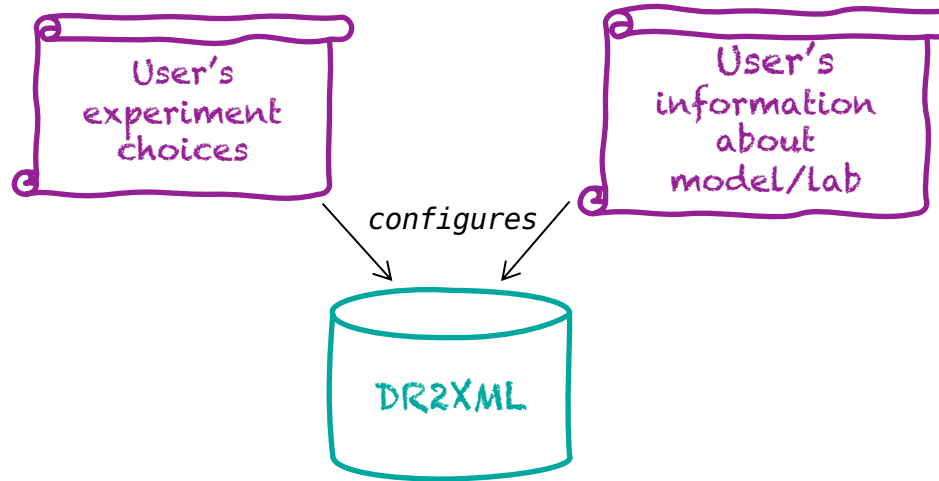


- Management of complex and various outputs, supporting:
  - all physical field shapes (*1D, 2D, 3D, 4D, time-varying or constant*)
  - all output frequencies (*yearly, monthly, daily, 6-hourly, 3-hourly, 1-hourly, sub-hour*)
  - choice of sampling period
  - on the fly diagnostic computation (*ex. zonal means, interpolation on pressure levels, on observation sites...*)
  - allows multivariate diagnostics (computing a diagnostics depending on 2 or more model native variables)
- Avoids time-consuming post-processing steps:
  - no need to use CMOR
  - nor any other offline post-processing steps (even for diagnostic computation)
  - formatting/standardisation directly ensured (file names, global and local attributes, temporal axis)
- Reduced risk of errors
  - “all included” and integrated ~~post~~-processing
  - one tool does all : **XIOS !**
  - homogeneity, coherence, reliability, robustness

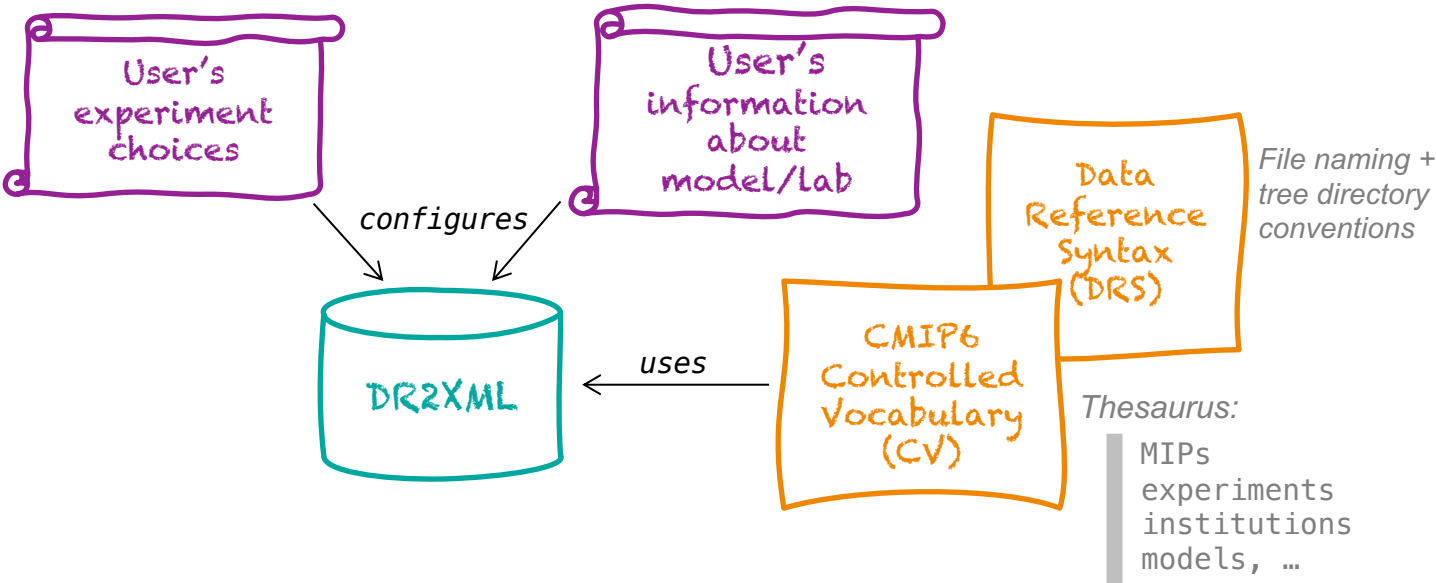
- One shot ! which means...
  - no safety net once the production started
  - *all requested variables* and *variables you need* must be there !
- Before running the whole simulation:
  - Dr2xml configuration must be carefully checked (a *verbose log file* enables to visualize the planned output variables)
  - It is highly recommended to perform a short test run and control/validate the output netCDF files, for e.g. with *NCTIME* and potentially *PrePARE* (if the simulation is a CMIP6 one)

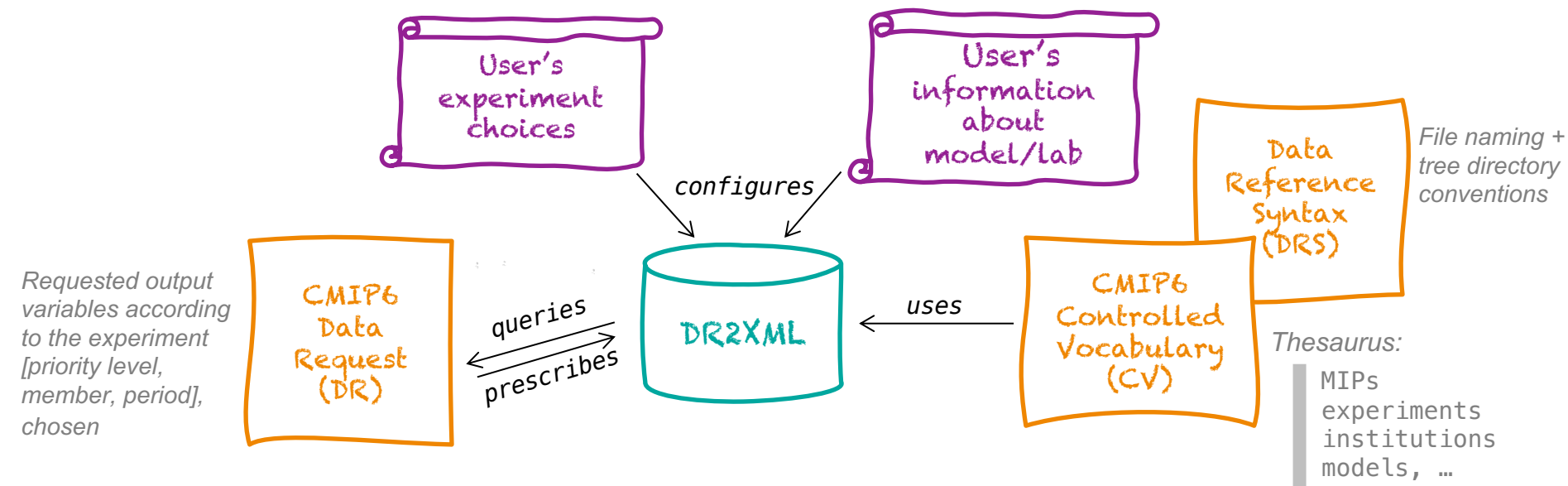






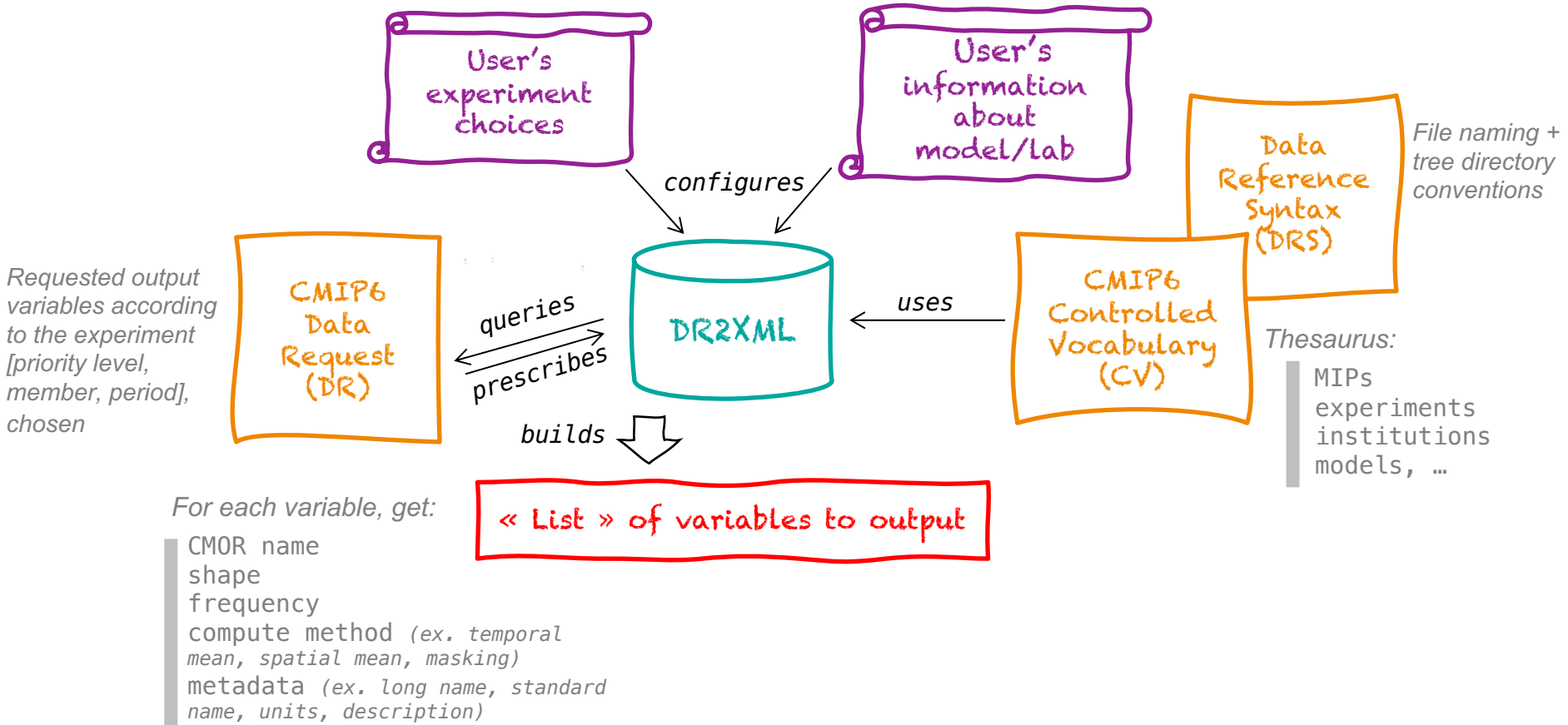
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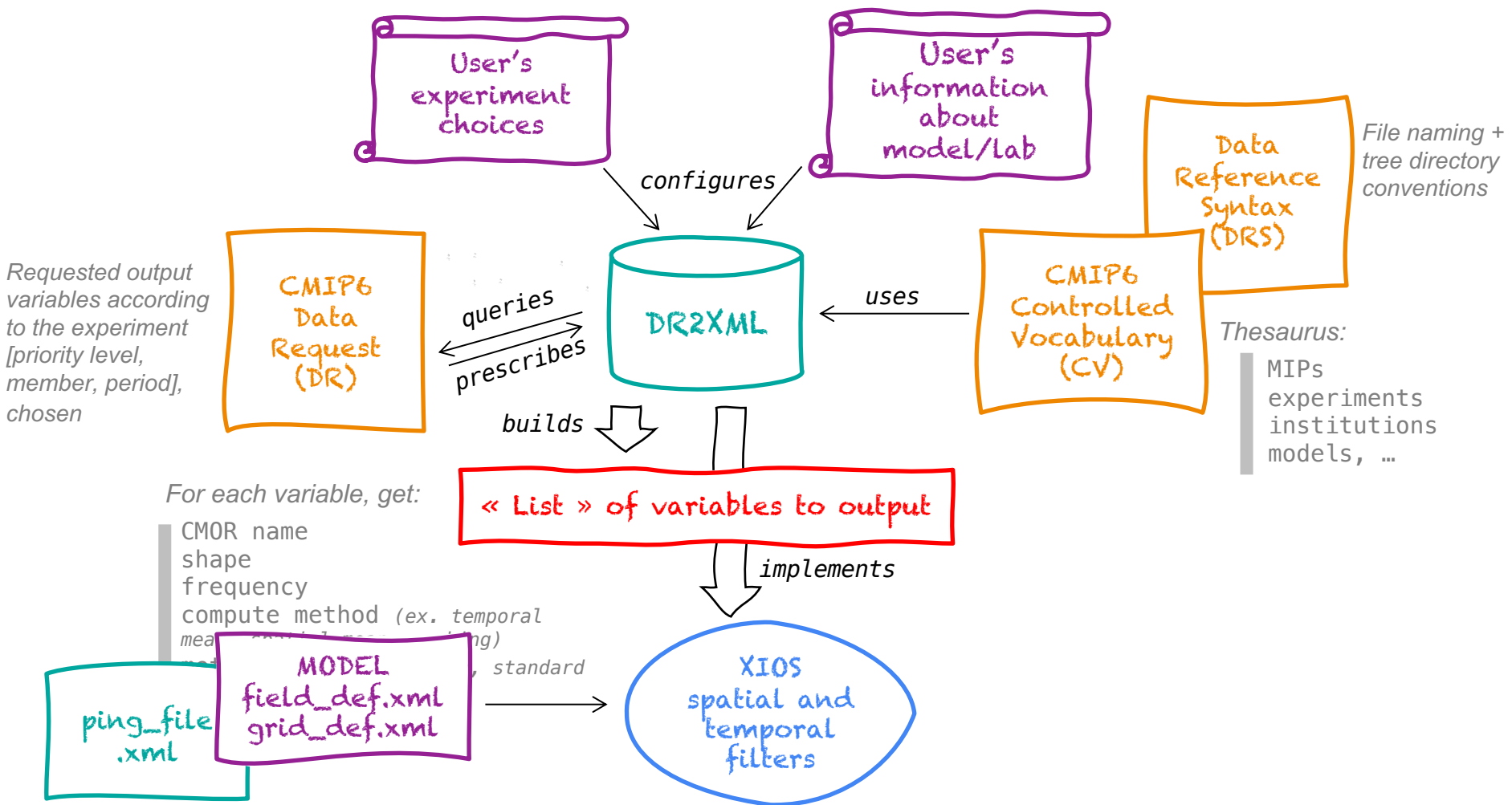


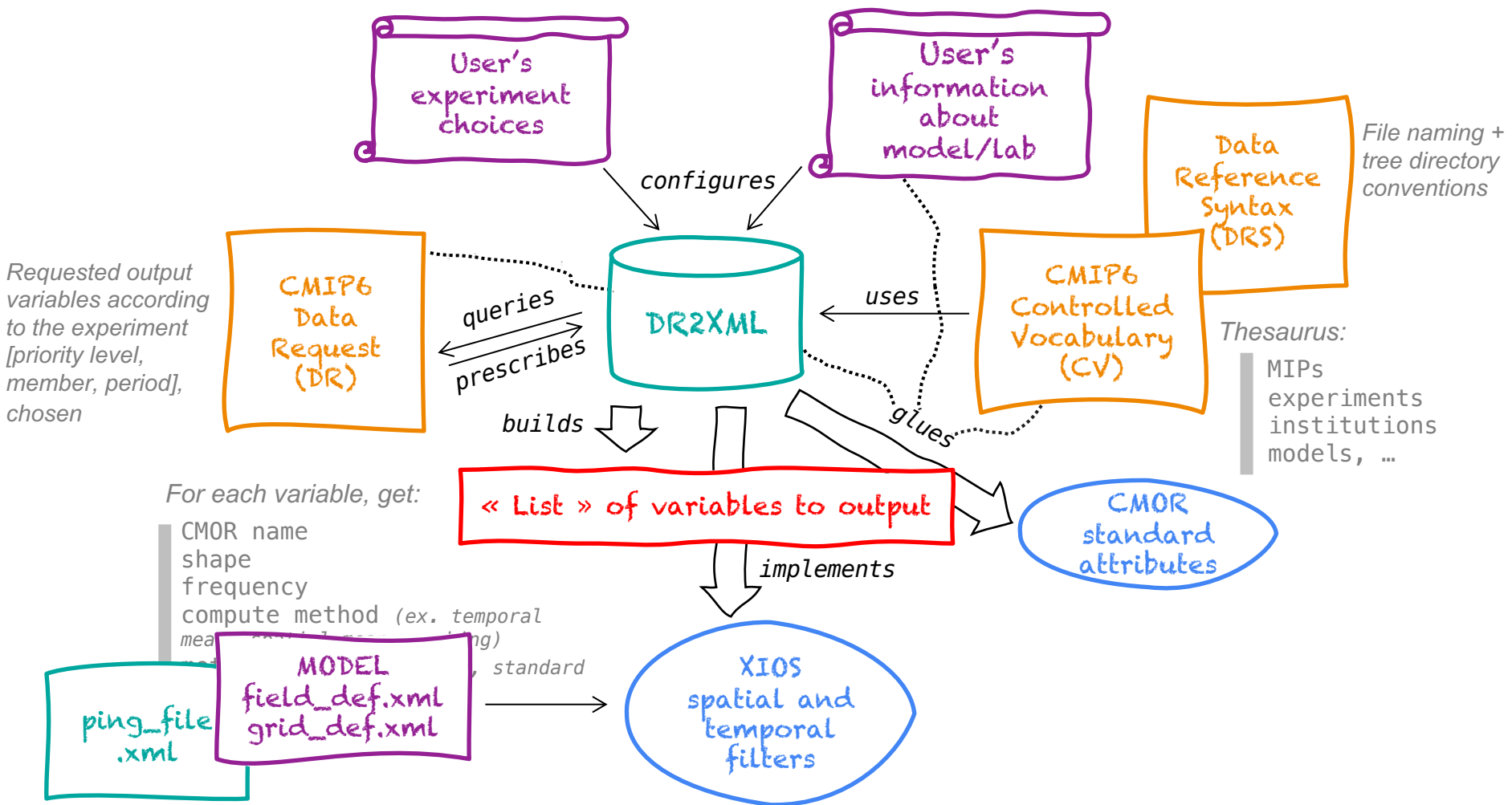


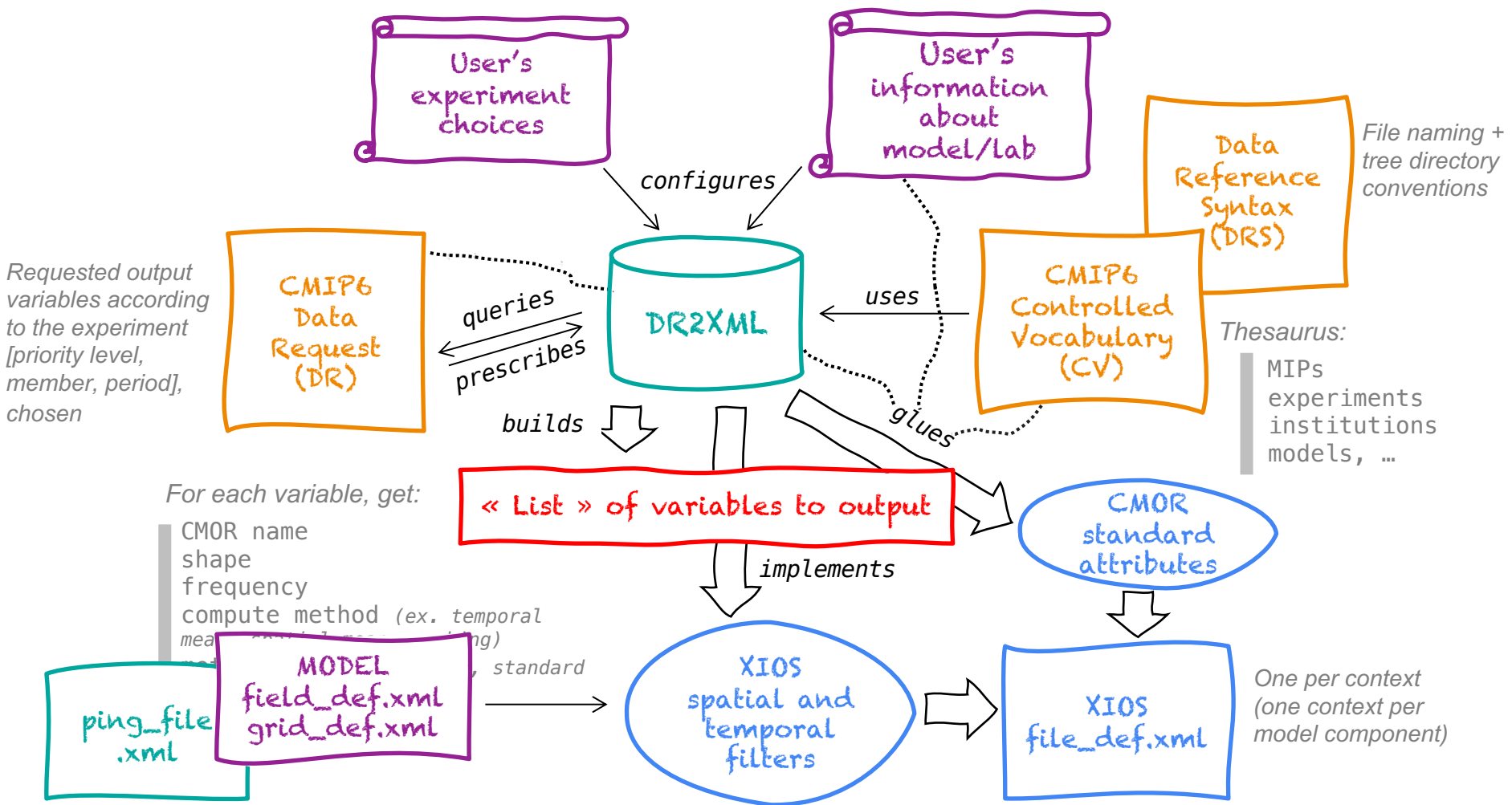
2. General features

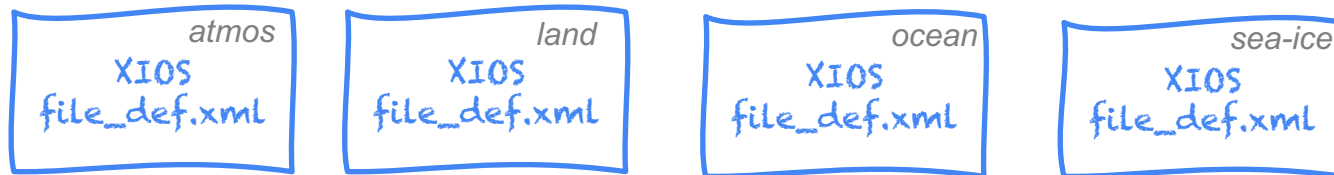
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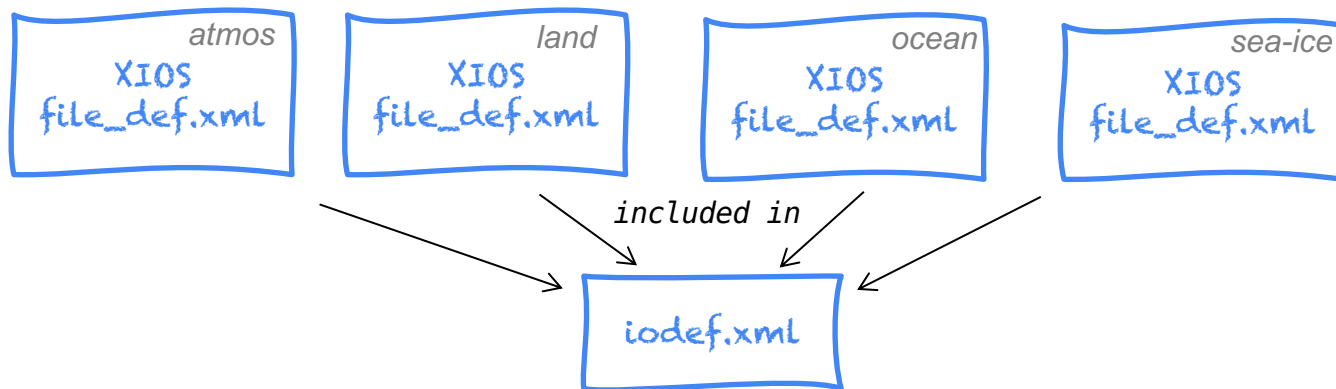


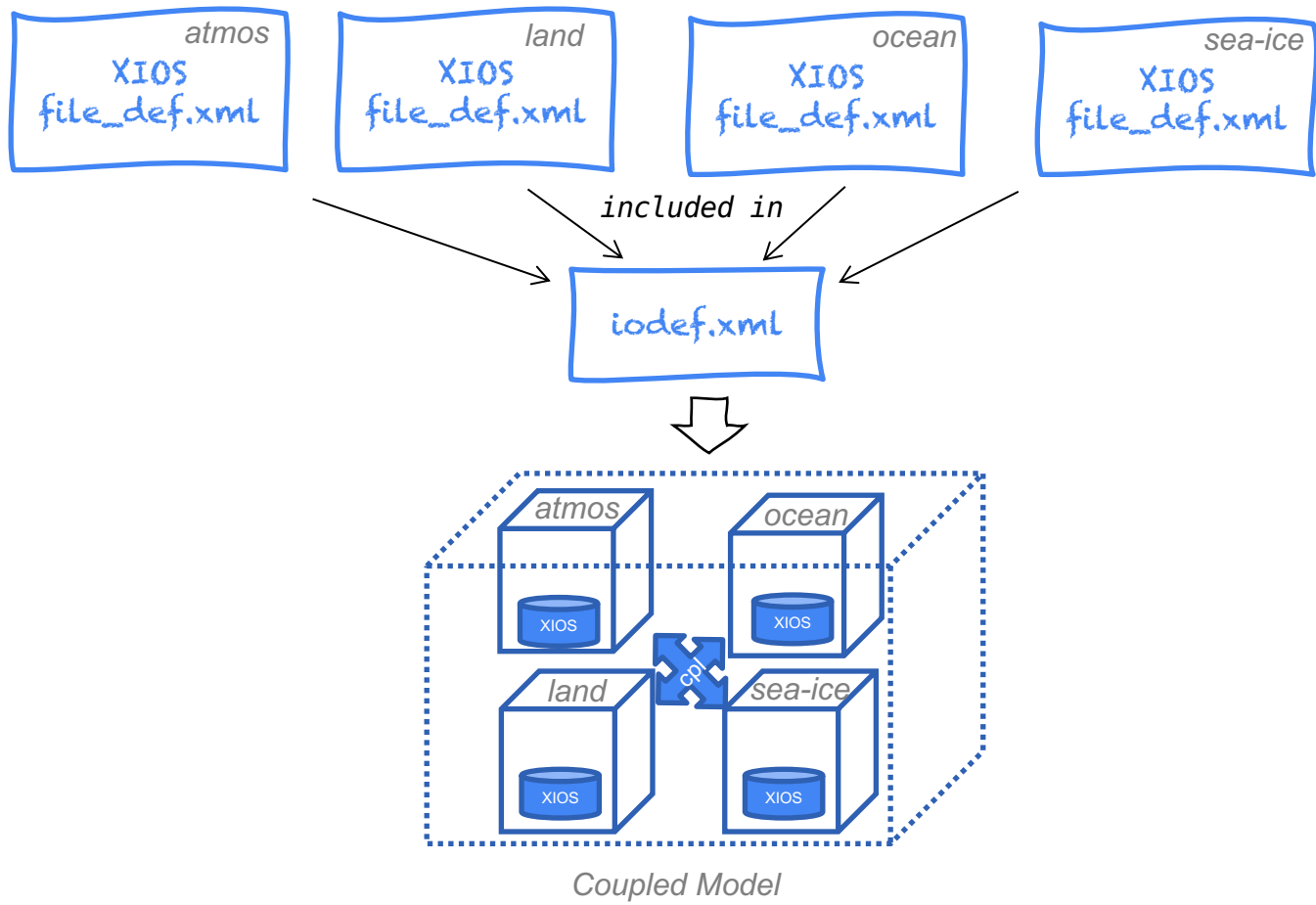


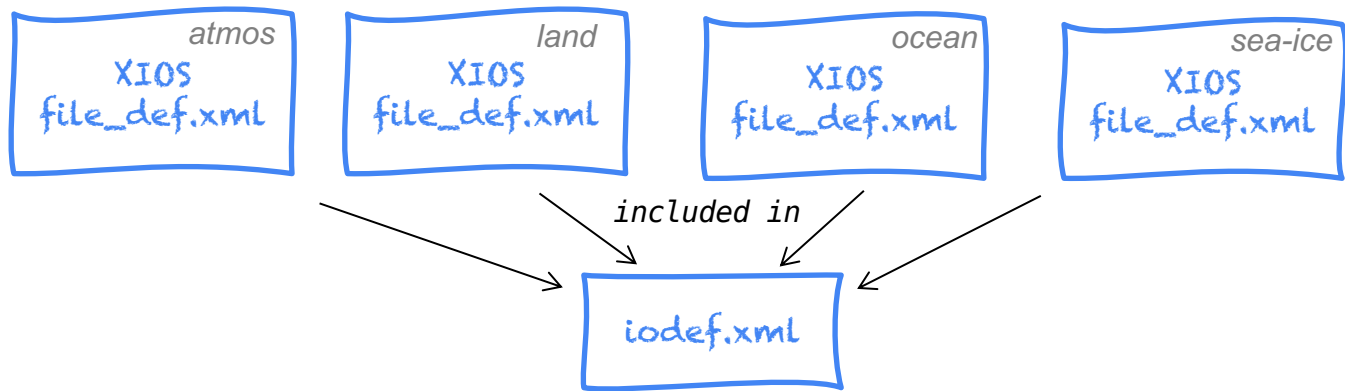








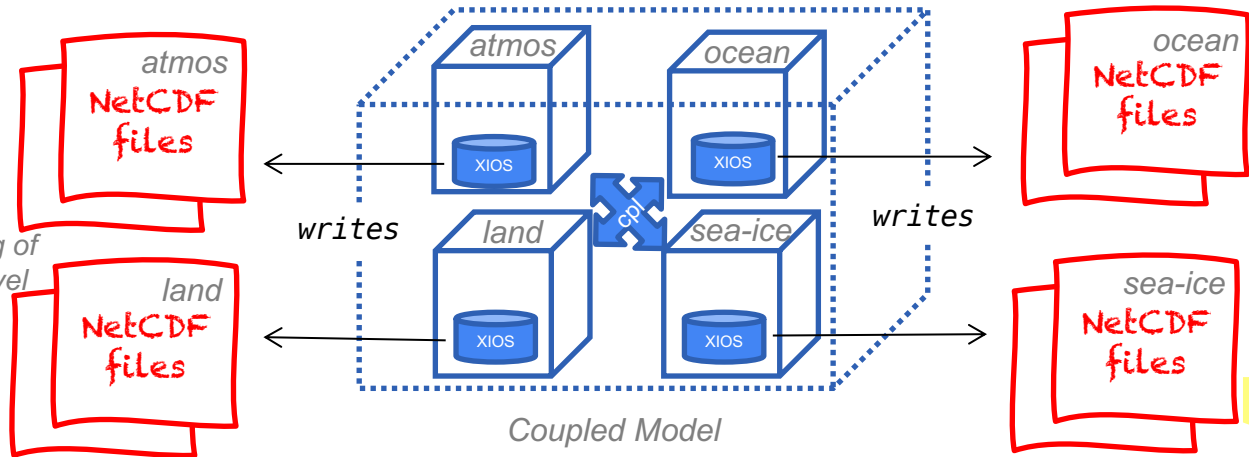




one file per physical field

append write  
(-> split\_freq)

Simultaneous writing of  
netCDF files (2<sup>nd</sup> level  
XIOS servers)

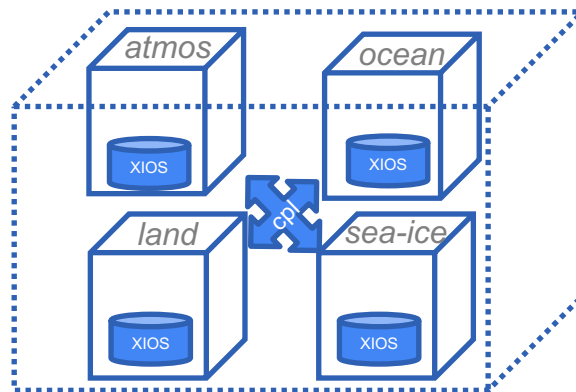


Ready to be  
published on ESGF.

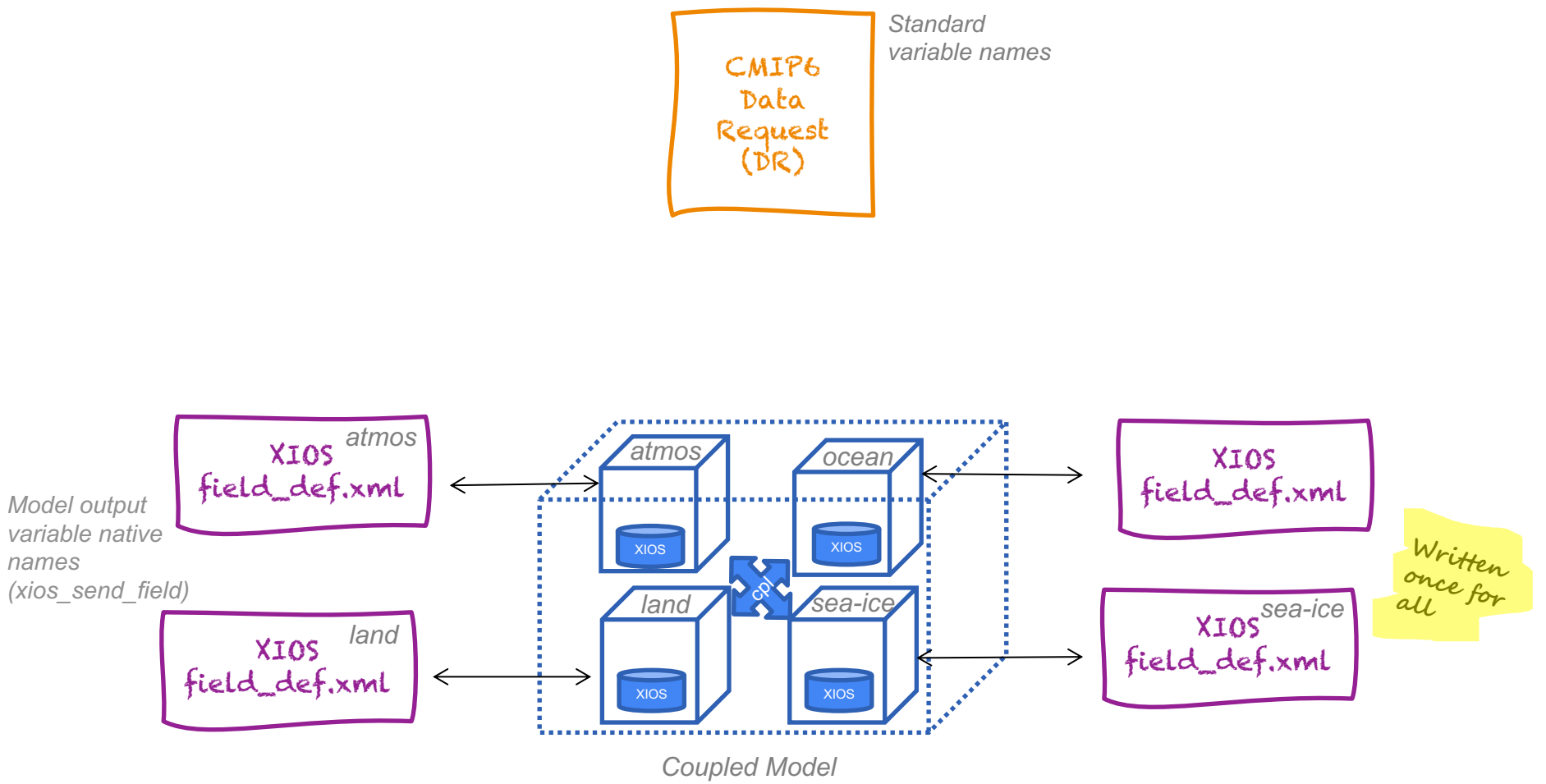
### d) the ping files

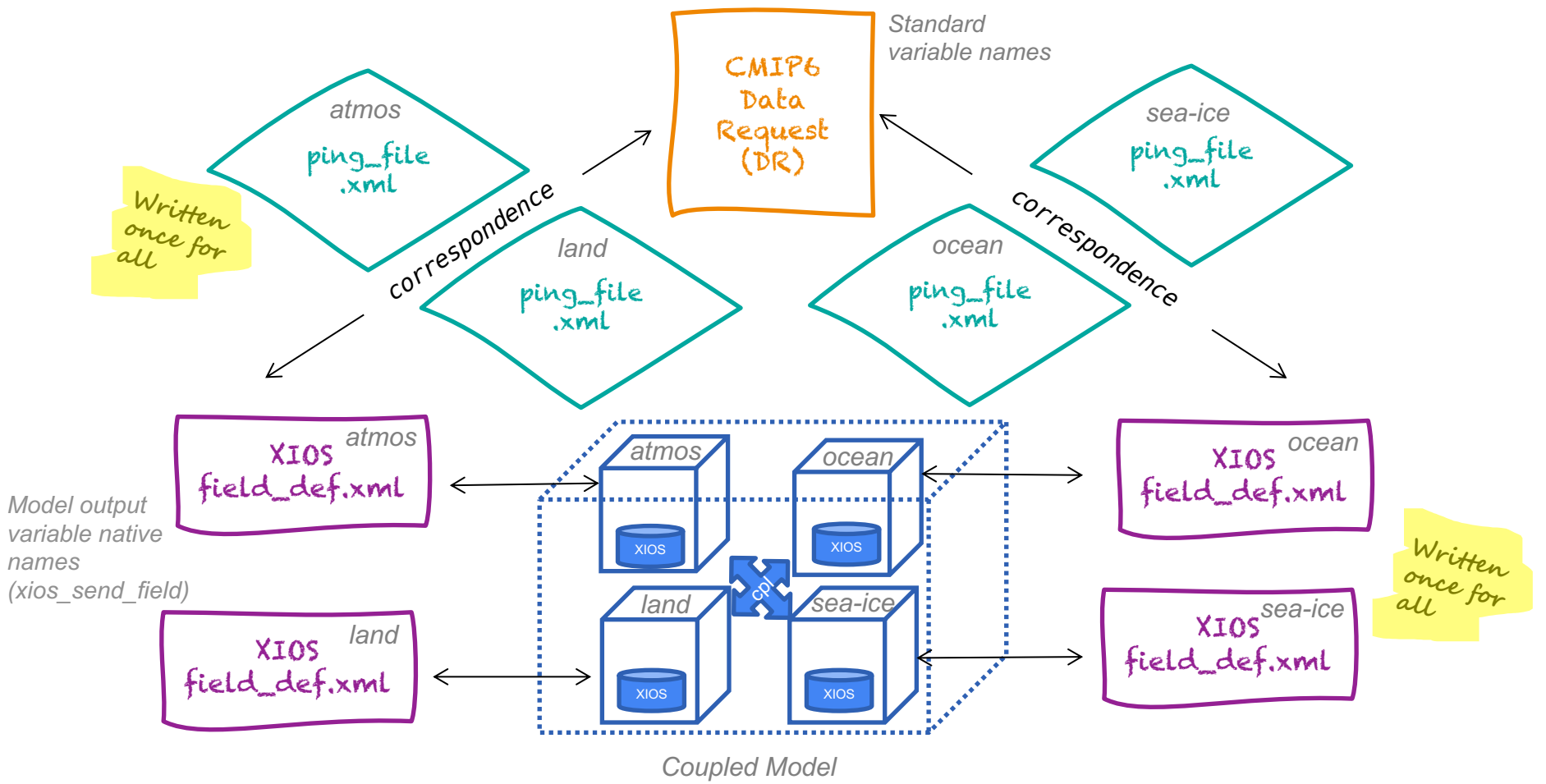


*Standard  
variable names*



*Coupled Model*





1.3 CMOR Variable: [sos] Sea Surface Salinity

- label : sos
- vid : [var] sos [74a9891bcab2667dbcb66574c6370c86]
- title : Sea Surface Salinity
- defaultPriority : 1
- modeling\_realm : ocean
- type : real
- 2.3 Dimensions and related information [stdid]: Temporal mean, Global field (single level) [XY-na] [amse-tmn] [str-a098]
- processing : Report on native horizontal grid as well as on a spherical latitude/longitude grid.
- frequency : mon
- rowIndex : 22
- mipTable : Omon
- description : Sea water salinity is the salt content of sea water, often on the Practical Salinity Scale of 1978. However, the unqualified term 'salinity' is generic and does not necessarily imply any particular method of calculation. The units of salinity are dimensionless and the units attribute should normally be given as 1e-3 or 0.001 i.e. parts per thousand.
- [...]

1.2 MIP Variable: [sos] Sea Surface Salinity

- label : sos
- prov mip : [mip] OMIP [OMIP]
- prov : OMIP.day
- units : 0.001
- title : Sea Surface Salinity
- uid : 74a9891bcab2667dbcb66574c6370c86
- procnote : ("")
- procComment :
- 1.8 CF Standard Names [sn] : SeaSurfaceSalinity
- description : [...]

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- units : 1e-3
- label : SeaSurfaceSalinity
- title : Sea Surface Salinity
- uid : sea\_surface\_salinity
- description : [...]

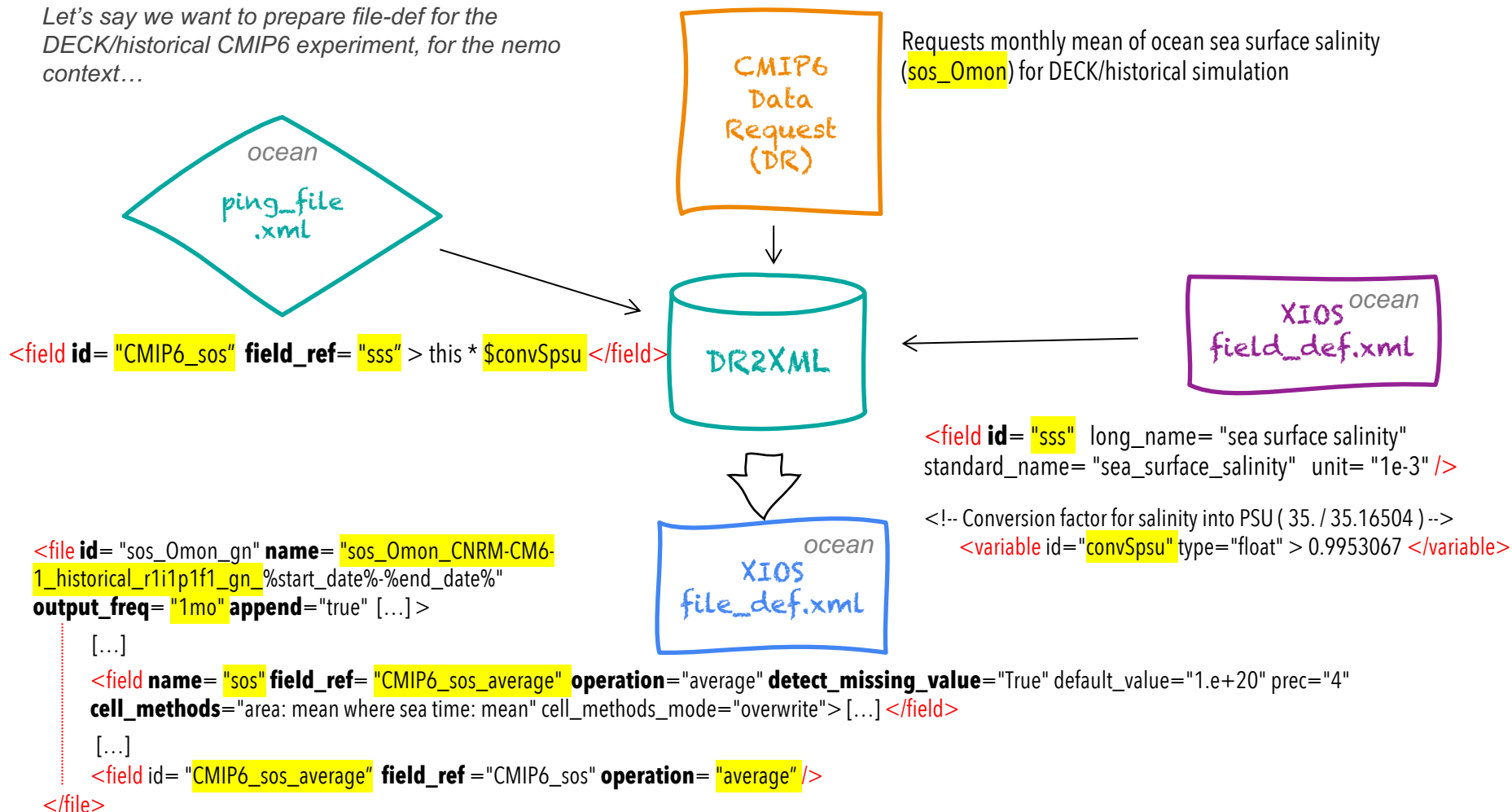
2.3 Dimensions and related information: [str-a098] Temporal mean, Global field (single level) [XY-na] [amse-tmn]

- label : str-a098
- spid : [spatialShape] XY-na [a656047a-8883-11e5-b571-ac72891c3257]
- title : Temporal mean, Global field (single level) [XY-na] [amse-tmn]
- cell\_methods : area: mean where sea time: mean
- cell\_measures : area: areacello
- description : For time mean fields, it may be useful to add information about the sampling interval in the cell\_methods string. The syntax is to append, in brackets, 'interval: \*amount\* \*units\*', for example 'area: time: mean (interval: 1 hr)'. The units must be valid UDUNITS, e.g. day or hr.
- [...]

## 2. General features

### e) “sos\_Omon” example (ping file)

Let's say we want to prepare file-def for the DECK/historical CMIP6 experiment, for the nemo context...





ocean  
XIOS  
file\_def.xml

dr2xml\_nemo.xml

```
<file id="sos_Omon_gn" name="sos_Omon_CNRM-CM6-1_historical_rl1p1f1_gn_%start_date%-end_date%" output_freq="1mo" append="
true" output_level="10" compression_level="4" split_freq="500y" split_freq_format="%y%mo" split_last_date="2014- 00:00:00"
time_units="days" time_counter_name="time" time_counter="exclusive" time_stamp_name="creation_date" time_stamp_format="
%Y-%m-%dT%H:%M:%SZ" uuid_name="tracking_id" uuid_format="hdl:None/%uuid%" convention_str="CF-1.7 CMIP-6.2">
  <variable name="activity_id" type="string"> CMIP </variable>
  <variable name="data_specs_version" type="string"> 01.00.32 </variable>
  <variable name="dr2xml_version" type="string"> 2.2 </variable>
  <variable name="experiment_id" type="string"> historical </variable>
  <variable name="description" type="string"> CMIP6 historical </variable>
  <variable name="title" type="string"> CMIP6 historical </variable>
  <variable name="experiment" type="string"> all-forcing simulation of the recent past </variable>
  <variable name="external_variables" type="string"> <variable name="source_id" type="string"> CNRM-CM6-1 </variable>
  <variable name="forcing_index" type="string"> <variable name="source_type" type="string"> AOGCM </variable>
  <variable name="frequency" type="string"> <variable name="sub_experiment_id" type="string"> none </variable>
  <variable name="further_info_url" type="string"> <variable name="sub_experiment" type="string"> none </variable>
  <variable name="grid" type="string"> <variable name="table_id" type="string"> Omon </variable>
  <variable name="grid_label" type="string"> <variable name="title" type="string"> CNRM-CM6-1 model output prepared for CMIP6 / CMIP historical </variable>
  <variable name="nominal_resolution" type="string"> <variable name="variable_id" type="string"> sos </variable>
  <variable name="history" type="string"> <variable name="variant_info" type="string"> none </variable>
  <variable name="initialization_index" type="string"> <variable name="variant_label" type="string"> rl1p1f1 </variable>
  <variable name="institution_id" type="string"> <field name="sos" field_ref="CMIP6_sos_average" operation="average" detect_missing_value="True" default_value="1.e+20"
  <variable name="institution" type="string"> CERFACS (Centre Europeen de Recher </field>
  <variable name="license" type="string"> Attribution-NonCommercial-ShareAlike </variable>
  <variable name="mip_era" type="string"> <variable name="standard_name" type="string"> sea_surface_salinity </variable>
  <variable name="parent_experiment_id" type="string"> <variable name="description" type="string"> Sea water salinity is the salt content of sea water, often on the
  <variable name="parent_mip_era" type="string"> <variable name="long_name" type="string"> Sea Surface Salinity </variable>
  <variable name="parent_activity_id" type="string"> <variable name="history" type="string"> none </variable>
  <variable name="parent_source_id" type="string"> <variable name="units" type="string"> 0.001 </variable>
  <variable name="parent_time_units" type="string"> <variable name="cell_methods" type="string"> area: mean where sea time: mean </variable>
  <variable name="parent_variant_label" type="string"> <variable name="cell_measures" type="string"> area: areacello </variable>
  <variable name="branch_method" type="string"> <variable name="interval_operation" type="string"> 1800 s </variable>
  <variable name="branch_time_in_child" type="string"> </file>
  <variable name="physics_index" type="string"> </file>
  <variable name="product" type="string"> </file>
  <variable name="realization_index" type="string"> </file>
  <variable name="real" type="string"> ocean </variable>
  <variable name="source" type="string"> CNRM-CM6-1 (2017):
aerosol: prescribed monthly fields computed by TACTIC v2 scheme
atmos: Arpege 6.3 (T127; Gaussian Reduced with 24572 grid points in total distributed over 128 latitude circles (with 256 grid points
per latitude circle between 30degN and 30degS reducing to 20 grid points per latitude circle at 88.9degN and 88.9degS); 91 levels;
top level 78.4 km)
atmosChem: OZL_v2
land: Surfex 8.0c
ocean: Nemo 3.6 (eORCA1, tripolar primarily 1deg; 362 x 294 longitude/latitude; 75 levels; top grid cell 0-1 m)
seaIce: Gelato 6.1 </variable>
```

CNRM-CM6  
coupled model

Arpege/Surfex: 28 758 lines !  
Nemo/Gelato: 14 840 lines !  
Trip: 383 lines

- *Dr2xml* (+ Xlsxwriter, six)

```
$ git clone https://github.com/rigoudyg/dr2xml.git
```

- *dreqPy* (the CMIP6 Data Request)

```
$ pip install --upgrade [--user] dreqPy==01.00.32
```

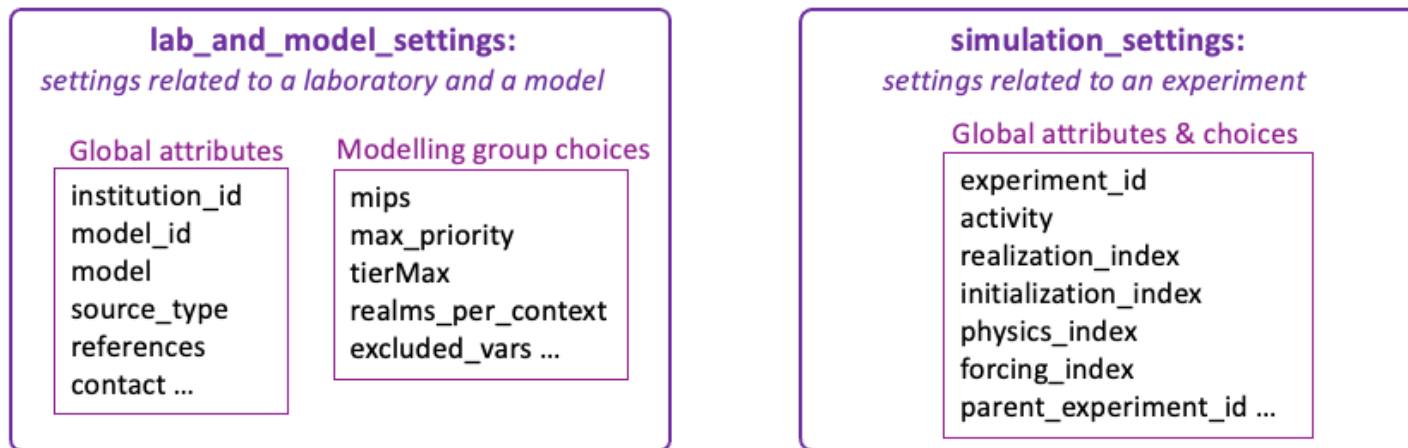
or:

```
$ svn co http://proj.badc.rl.ac.uk/svn/exarch/CMIP6dreq/tags/01.00.32
```

- *CMIP6\_CVs*

```
$ git clone https://github.com/WCRP-CMIP/CMIP6_CVs
```

- 2 files of dr2xml settings (python dictionaries)



- a set of model related XML files for XIOS : *context, domains, field\_defs*
- additional XML files, the so-called "*ping\_files*" (one per context)

```
from dr2xml import generate_file_defs # -----> Import dr2xml
my_cvs_path='/home/user/CMIP6_CVs/' # -----> Path to CMIP6 CVs (json files)
my_outdir='/home/user/dr2xml_output/' # -----> Path for dr2xml output
generate_file_defs(lab_and_model_settings, simulation_settings,
                  year="2000", enddate="2100",
                  context='nemo', pingfiles='nemo_pingfile.xml',
                  printout=True, cvs_path=my_cvpath,
                  dummies='skip', dirname=my_outdir)
```



Skipped variables (i.e. whose alias is not present in the pingfile):

```
>>> TABLE:      0fx 03/09 ----> sftof(1) ugrid(1) volcello(1)
>>> TABLE:      SImon 01/20 ----> sirdgconc(1)
>>> TABLE:      Omon 03/37 ----> msftmz(1) msftmzmpa(1) vsf(1)
```

Some Statistics on actually written variables per frequency+shape...

```

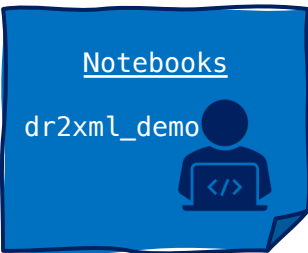
                EmonZ P1   1 : ['sltbasin']
                Omon P1   1 : ['hfbasin']
                Omon P2   2 : ['htovgyre', 'htovovrt']
mon      YB-na  ----- ---  4
                Omon P1  10 : ['bigthetao', 'so', 'thetao', 'thkcello',
                                'umo', 'uo', 'vmo', 'vo', 'wmo', 'wo']
mon      XY-0   ----- ---  10
                Prim0day P1  1 : [u'so']
day      XY-0   ----- ---  1
```

Some Statistics on actually written variables per variable...

```
-----
--- VARNAME: bigthetao : Sea Water Conservative Temperature
-----
      * mon_Omon_XY-0_1

-----
--- VARNAME: so : Sea Water Salinity
-----
      * mon_Omon_XY-0_1
      * day_Prim0day_XY-0_1.0
```

- 2 user-friendly views in dr2xml log file
- ...That does not exempt from looking carefully at the generated file-def !



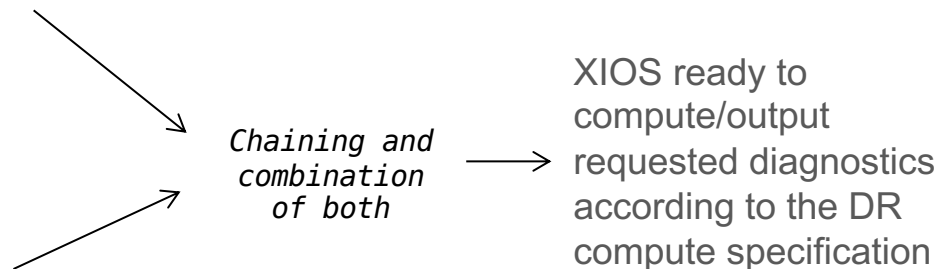
“basic functions” : ordinated and optimised combination of **XIOS filters**  
 automatically implemented according to the specifications  
 of the data request.

- Spatial:

- remapping on different grids
- regridding on pressure levels
- regridding on height levels (*new !*)
- interpolation at observation sites
- meridional/zonal means

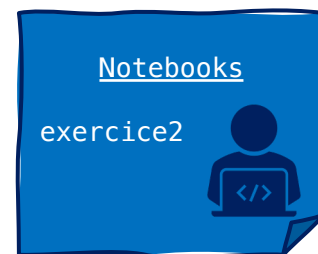
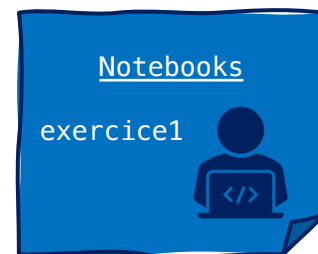
- Temporal:

- sampling period
- time mean / time point
- diurnal cycle

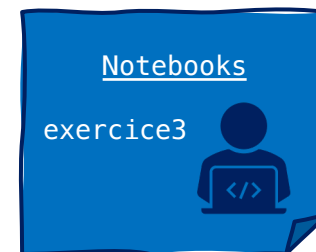


- Filtering options :

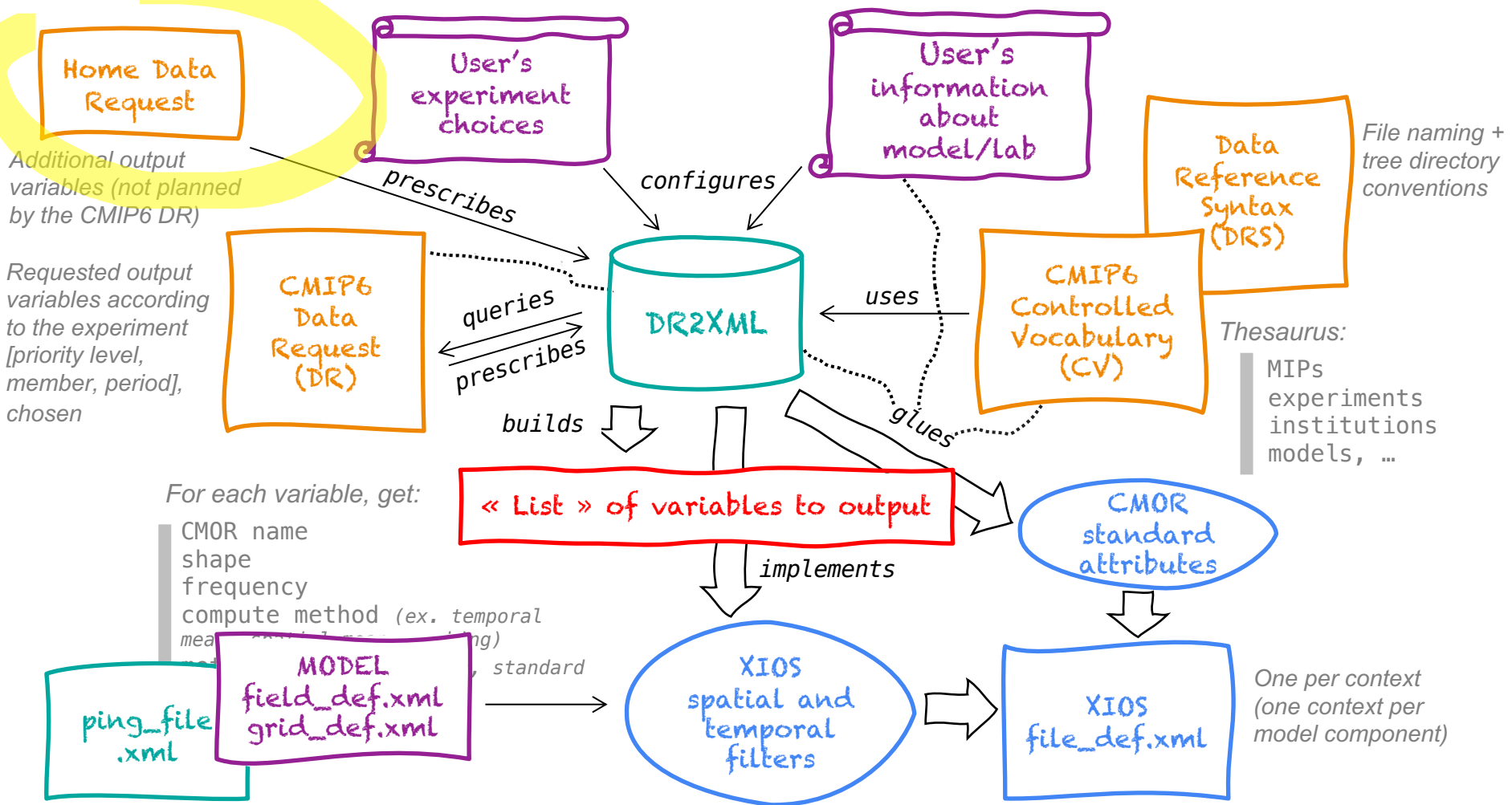
- **curation** : can filter out variables that are requested twice
- **selection** :
  - filtering on experiment, on simulated year, or both
  - choosing the maximum priority level of variables to output
- **exclusion/inclusion** : user can also provide lists of excluded/included...
  - variables (var)
  - tables (tbl)
  - pairs (var,tbl)
  - spatial shapes
- **metadata filtering** : user can take the control on attributes to write in the NetCDF files



- Add methods :
  - dr2xml allows **to output additional variables** = the so-called “home data request”
    - “cmor” variables : to output a variable that is defined in the CMIP6 Data Request but not requested for this experiment
    - “extra” variables : to output non ‘cmor’ variables but with all standards attributes ; variables are defined through additional table(s)
    - “perso” variables : to quickly output a model native variable, without caring about naming nor attributes (*‘perso’ var. don’t need to be defined in the ping file*)
    - “dev” variables : a flexible way to output variables with a minimal set of attributes, possibly on a different grid, customised on the fly ; useful during the model development phase (*dev var don’t need to be defined in the field\_def xml nor in the ping file*)
  - The “home data request” was used during CMIP6 production as a “safety net” to compensate DR potential lacks







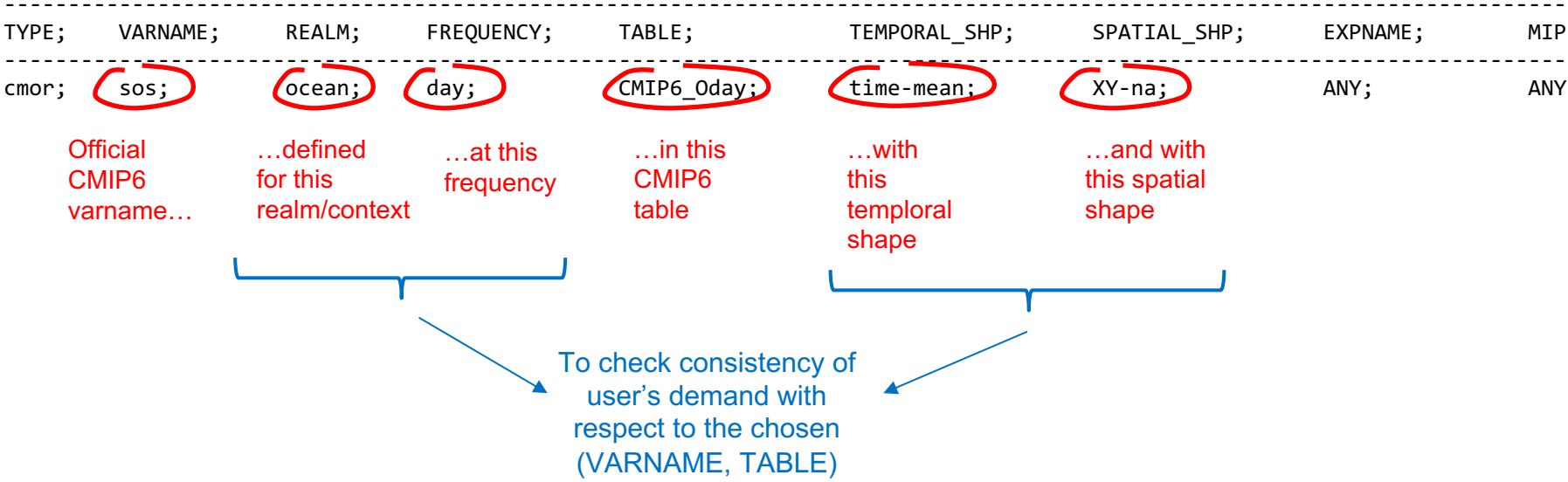
# b) “home data request”

- The “home data request” , brief user guide:
  - a simple text file
  - 3 header lines
  - one line per home variable
  - 9 [+5] columns, one per home variable parameter/attribute
  - parameter values are separated by ','
  - no empty trailing lines

#	#TYPE;	VARNAME;	REALM;	FREQUENCY;	TABLE;	TEMPORAL_SHP;	SPATIAL_SHP;	EXPNAME;	MIP	
#										
	cmor;	huss;	atmos;	day;	CMIP6_day;	time-mean;	XY-na;	ANY;	ANY	
	extra;	wap;	atmos;	6hrPt;	TRAINING_6hrPtExe3;	ANY;	ANY;	ANY;	ANY	
	perso;	pblh;	atmos;	mon;	NONE;	time-mean;	XY-na;	ANY;	ANY	
#										
#										
#	#TYPE;	VARNAME;	REALM;	FREQUENCY;	TABLE;	TEMPORAL_SHP;	SPATIAL_SHP;	EXPNAME;	MIP	[...]
#										
	dev;	wg_patch1;	atmos;	day;	CNRM_day;	time-mean;	XY-na;	ANY;	ANY;	
#										
			[...]	UNITS;	LONG_NAME;		STD_NAME;	SOURCE_GRID;	TARGET_H_GRID	
				m3 m-3;	Soil Liquid Water Content By Patch;		soil_liquid_water;	NATURE;	NATURE_grid	



Example 1 : adding a CMIP6 variable with all of its CMOR standard attributes





Example 1 : addir

-----	TYPE;	VARNAME;
-----	cmor;	sos;

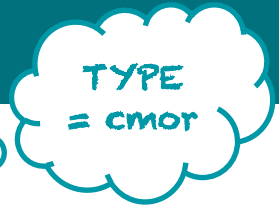
Most of this information is mirrored in the CMIP6 Data Request

```
"Header": {
  "data_specs_version": "01.00.30",
  "cmor_version": "3.4",
  "table_id": "Table Oday",
  "realm": "ocnBgchem",
  "table_date": "09 May 2019",
  "missing_value": "1e20",
  "int_missing_value": "-999",
  "product": "model-output",
  "approx_interval": "1.00000",
  "generic_levels": "olevel",
  "mip_era": "CMIP6",
  "Conventions": "CF-1.7 CMIP-6.2"
},
"variable_entry": {
  "sos": {
    "frequency": "day",
    "modeling_realm": "ocean",
    "standard_name": "sea_surface_salinity",
    "units": "0.001",
    "cell_methods": "area: mean where sea time: mean",
    "cell_measures": "area: areacello",
    "long_name": "Sea Surface Salinity",
    "comment": "Sea water salinity is the salt content of sea water, often on the Practical Salinity Scale of 1978 [...]",
    "dimensions": "longitude latitude time",
    "out_name": "sos",
    "type": "real",
    "positive": "",
    "valid_min": "",
    "valid_max": "",
    "ok_min_mean_abs": "",
    "ok_max_mean_abs": ""
  }
},
```

CMI6 Oday.json

a CMIP6/CMOR official table (json file) containing several variables.

-----	EXPNAME;	MIP
-----	ANY;	ANY



Example 1 : adding a CMIP6 variable with all of its CMOR standard attributes

TYPE;	VARNAME;	REALM;	FREQUENCY;	TABLE;	TEMPORAL_SHP;	SPATIAL_SHP;	EXPNAME;	MIP
cmor;	sos;	ocean;	day;	CMIP6_Oday;	time-mean;	XY-na;	ANY;	ANY

official  
CMIP6  
varname...

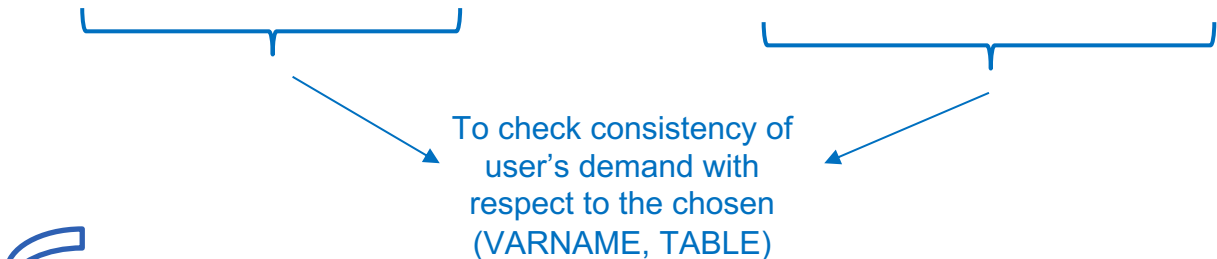
...defined  
for this model  
component

...at this  
frequency

...in this  
CMIP6  
table

...with this  
temporal  
shape

...and with  
this spatial  
shape



‘sos\_Oday’ is well taken into account by dr2xml :

```
>>> TABLE          Oday 01 ----> sos(1)
```

Example 2 : adding all variables included in a user-defined external Table with CMOR-like attributes

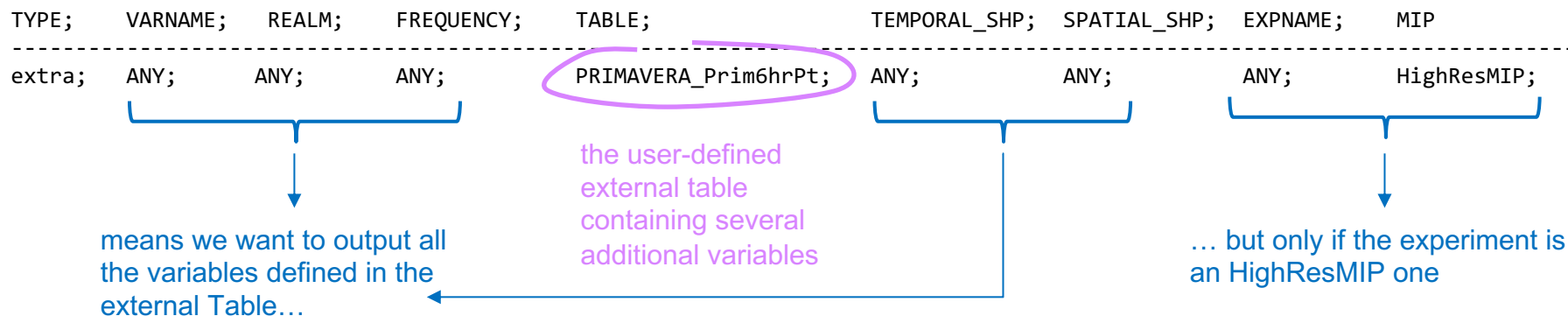
```
"Header": {
  "data_specs_version": "01.00.13",
  "table_id": "Table Prim6hrPt",
  "realm": "land atmos ocean",
  "cmor_version": "3.2",
  "table_date": "12 July 2017",
  "missing_value": "1e20",
  "product": "model-output",
  "approx_interval": "0.250000",
  "generic_levels": "",
  "mip_era": "PRIMAVERA",
  "Conventions": "CF-1.7 CMIP-6.0"
},
"variable_entry": {
  "thetapv2": {
    "frequency": "6hr",
    "modeling_realm": "atmos",
    "standard_name": "theta_on_pv2_surface",
    "units": "K",
    "cell_methods": "time: point",
    "cell_measures": "area: areacella",
    "long_name": "Theta on PV +/- 2 Surface",
    "comment": "",
    "dimensions": "longitude latitude time1",
    "out_name": "thetapv2",
    "type": "real",
    "positive": "",
    "valid_min": "",
    "valid_max": "",
    "ok_min_mean_abs": "",
    "ok_max_mean_abs": "",
    "primavera_priority": "1"
  },
}
```

PRIMAVERA Prim6hrPt.json

*a user-defined external table (json file) containing several additional variables.*

CMIP6 (CMOR) like attributes used by dr2xml to build XIOS instructions (output\_freq, operation, ...) and to set XIOS variables (i.e. netCDF attributes)

Example 2 : adding all variables included in a user-defined external Table with CMOR-like attributes



All variables defined as a *variable\_entry* in `PRIMAVERA_Prim6hrPt.json` are added by dr2xml (provided they are defined in the ping file) :

```
>>> TABLE      Prim6hrPt 07 ----> ps(1.0) hus1000(1.0) thetapv2(1.0)
                                     clt(1.0) va1000(1.0) ua1000(1.0) tslsi(1.0)
```

TYPE  
= perso

Example 3 : adding a non-CMIP6 (model native) variable without any specific attributes. The variable has not to be defined in field\_def XML file but not in the ping file (keep the original name)

TYPE;	VARNAME;	REALM;	FREQUENCY;	TABLE;	TEMPORAL_SHP;	SPATIAL_SHP;	EXPNAME;	MIP
perso;	sst;	ocean;	day;	CNRM_cnrmDay;	time-mean;	XY-na;	ANY;	ANY

native variable name in the model (not a CMIP6/CMOR name) ; no need to be defined in the ping file.

sent by this model component

no json table associated in this case ; only here to set the <table> facet in the file name



‘sst’ is well taken into account by dr2xml (without being defined in the ping file, only in the field\_def XML) :

>>> TABLE

cnrmDay 01 --> **sst(1)**



TYPE = dev

Example 4 : adding a non-CMIP6 (model native) variable, defining “on the fly” the target grid and its attributes (units, standard name...). Avoid to have this variable defined in XIOS field\_def XML file and/or to write an extra json table. Can be seen as an hybrid of the ‘perso’ and ‘extra’ type (for devel. purpose only)

```
#-----  
#TYPE; VARNAME; REALM; FREQUENCY; TABLE; TEMPORAL_SHP; SPATIAL_SHP; EXPNAME; MIP; UNITS; LONG_NAME; STD_NAME; SOURCE_GRID; TARGET_H_GRID  
#-----  
dev; hmv4; ocean; day; CNRM_day; time-mean; XY-perso; ANY; ANY; hmv4_units; hmv4 name; hmv4_name; complete_klev; FULL
```

like the “perso” case

- means a 3D field with a user defined shape :
- ❖ an **horizontal domain** eventually to be remapped on TARGET\_H\_GRID (otherwise keep hmv4 on the SOURCE\_GRID domain)
- ❖ a **customised vertical axis** given by an additional dictionary in the simulation settings

attributes of hmv4      means domain regridding : “complete” → “FULL”



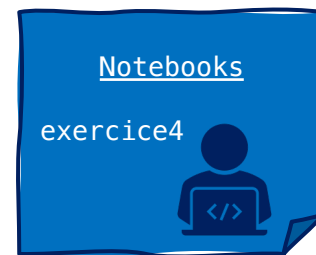
‘hm4’ is well taken into account by dr2xml (without being defined in any XML file):

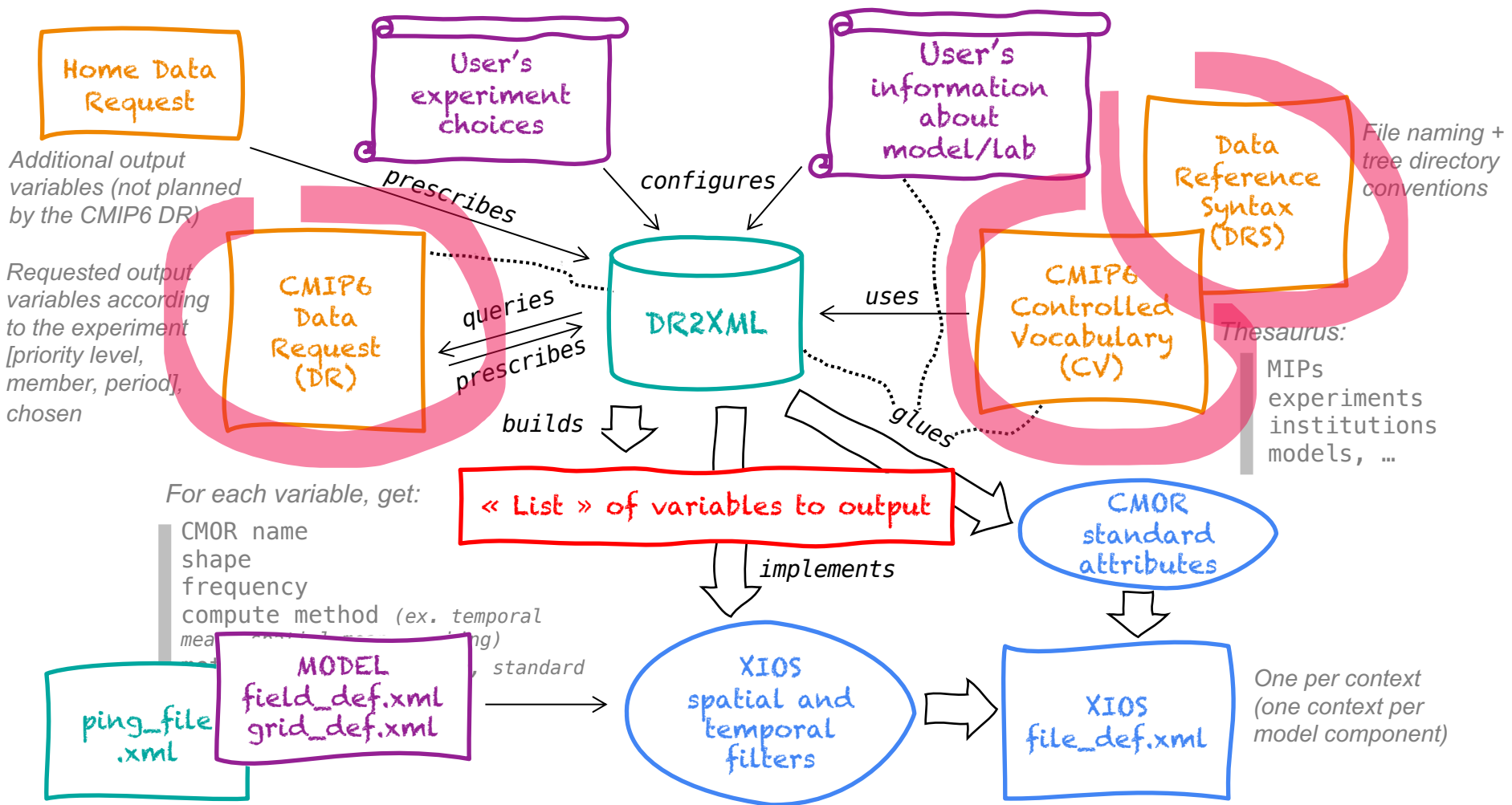
```
sset['perso_sdims_description'] = {  
  'hm4':{  
    'my_dimension':{  
      'stdname': 'altitude',  
      'long_name': 'my_long_name',  
      'positive': True,  
      'requested': '',  
      'value': '30 50 60',  
      'requested': '30 50 60',  
      'units': 'my_units',  
      'type': 'float',  
      'axis': 'Z' } } }
```

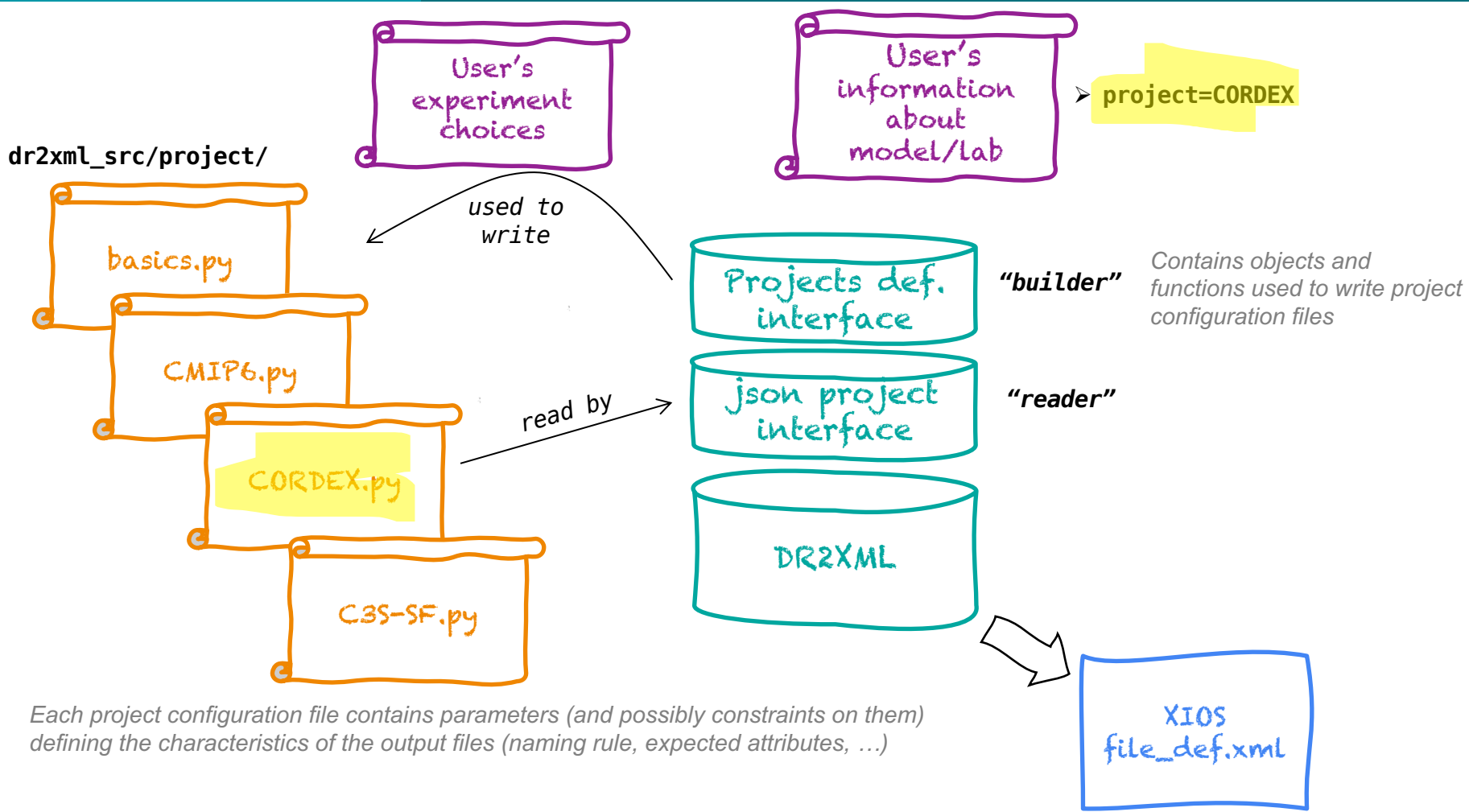
>>> TABLE

day 01 --> hmv4 (1)

- Dr2xml for daily research production
  - *discipline* : Adopt the good practices using the CMOR/CMIP6 standards, even for non CMIP6 production
  - *flexibility* : The user can free somewhat or a great from the DR, choosing to :
    - make a new simulation with the same output variables as in a given CMIP6 experiment
    - ignore all of from the CMIP6 DR and only specify its own outputs via the "home data request"
  
- Adaptation to other projects (like CORDEX)
  - new functionalities implemented (*e.g. interpolation to altitude level*)
  - code cleaning to remove all CMIP6 hard-coded elements
  - code restructured to externalise everything that depends on the project
  - a new interface to define projects (*CMIP6, CORDEX, etc.*)
  - A new interface to avoid calling the CMIP6 Data Request







Each project configuration file contains parameters (and possibly constraints on them) defining the characteristics of the output files (naming rule, expected attributes, ...)

- **DR-dr2xml-XIOS pipeline** is designed to facilitate the configuration of **XIOS-enabled** climate models contributing to CMIP exercises
- Is the best way to conform (as far as we can) to a data request as complex as the CMIP6 one
- Scraps the nightmare of a “by hand” model output configuration
- Dynamic analyse of the simulated period and adaptation of output configuration consequently
- Files written by XIOS configured by dr2xml are **CMIP6-compliant**
- Avoid the CMORisation step in the data production workflow
- Can be used as well for daily research simulations, benefitting (or not...) from the **CMIP6 standards**
- Has evolved to be used widely beyond CMIP6 and to integrate any project constraints (ex. CORDEX)

*Without CMIP6 and the Data Request dr2xml won't have existed, even less without XIOS, but now we've got it, sounds there is a life (for it) after CMIP6 ! 😊*

# The End



Any questions ?



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PCform

LOGIN : stageXX

PASSWD: stageXX

- Before starting the hands-on, please **update the dr2xml\_training sources**:

```
cd $HOME/dr2xml_training ; git pull
```

- **Launch** `jupyter-notebook`
- Start with the **dr2xml\_demo notebook** and next the **exercises (1 to 4)**
- There is nothing to seek by yourself, the solution is in, and the notebook cells are commented
- The objective is that you **execute the cells step by step and understand what is done**
- In order to have all onboard, the content of the two dr2xml setting files are imported in the notebooks and modified on the fly though notebook cells (python dictionary updating) and 'grep' are done on the log files to popup the result in the notebook ; but **you are encouraged to look at the two dr2xml settings files beforehand** to get familiar with their content and navigate into the input/output directories to see what dr2xml uses/produces concretely.

**Dr2xml\_demo notebook**

**Purpose:** Training notebook for a first contact with dr2xml: how to configure? how to run?

**Exercise 1: Change the general configuration**

**Objective:** Configure so as to run dr2xml for another:

- (a) context/realm
- (b) CMIP6 experiment
- (c) model version

**Exercise 2: Customize the outputs (simple way)**

**Objective:** Try various simple methods to customize the outputs by using the **excluded/included** keys:

- (a) exclude one table
- (b) exclude pairs of variable/table
- (c) include only one variable from one table

**Exercise 3: Customize the output (more flexible ways)**

**Objective:** Try a more sophisticated method to customize the outputs: the so-called "**home\_data\_request**"

- (a) requesting additional CMIP6 standard variables, already existing in a CMIP6 Table
- (b) requesting a CMIP6 standard variable but that do not exist in the predefined CMIP6 Table for the frequency we want
- (c) requesting a CMIP6 standard variable but that do not exist in the predefined CMIP6 Table for the shape we want
- (d) requesting a totally new variable, that is not defined in the CMIP6 standards (2 ways)
- (e)-(h) a flexible way to add variables for development purpose

**Exercise 4: Run a non CMIP6 experiment**

**Objective:** configure dr2xml for a non-cmip6 experiment

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