Convenient data access with ESMValTool

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Introduction to ESMValTool

ESMValTool – collection of recipes for climate data analysis ESMValCore – framework to run those recipes

Tutorial: https://esmvalgroup.github.io/ESMValTool_Tutorial/

Documentation: https://docs.esmvaltool.org

Development: https://github.com/ESMValGroup/

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Current features:

- Variables and models are specified using the convenient recipe format
- Find local data using a Data Reference Syntax (DRS)
- Synda download at runtime:

```
esmvaltool run recipe_example.yml --synda-download
```

Planned features:

- Replace runtime Synda download with esgf-pyclient (#1130)
 - Data can be downloaded
 - Data can be accessed without downloading via OPeNDAP
- Convert an ESMValTool recipe to a Synda/Sproket selection file (#1129)
- Support intake-esm catalogs (#31)
 - Use arbitrary local NetCDF file paths
 - Use OPeNDAP NetCDF URLs
 - Use object store through zarr arrays
- Distributed preprocessing through a Web Processing Service at ESGF (#1128)