

# Simdal

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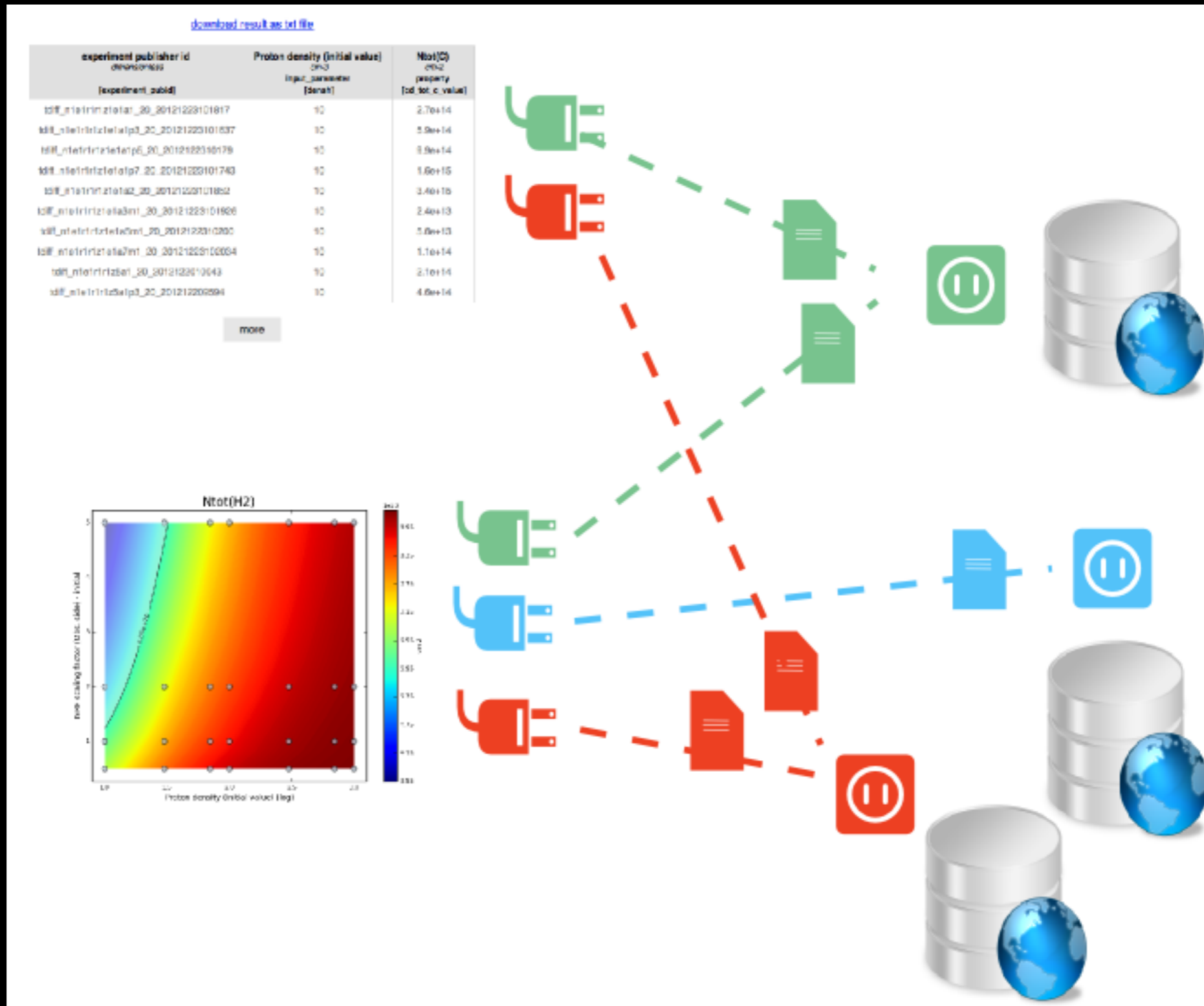
A numerical model  
exists for your  
observation.

Ask SimDAL

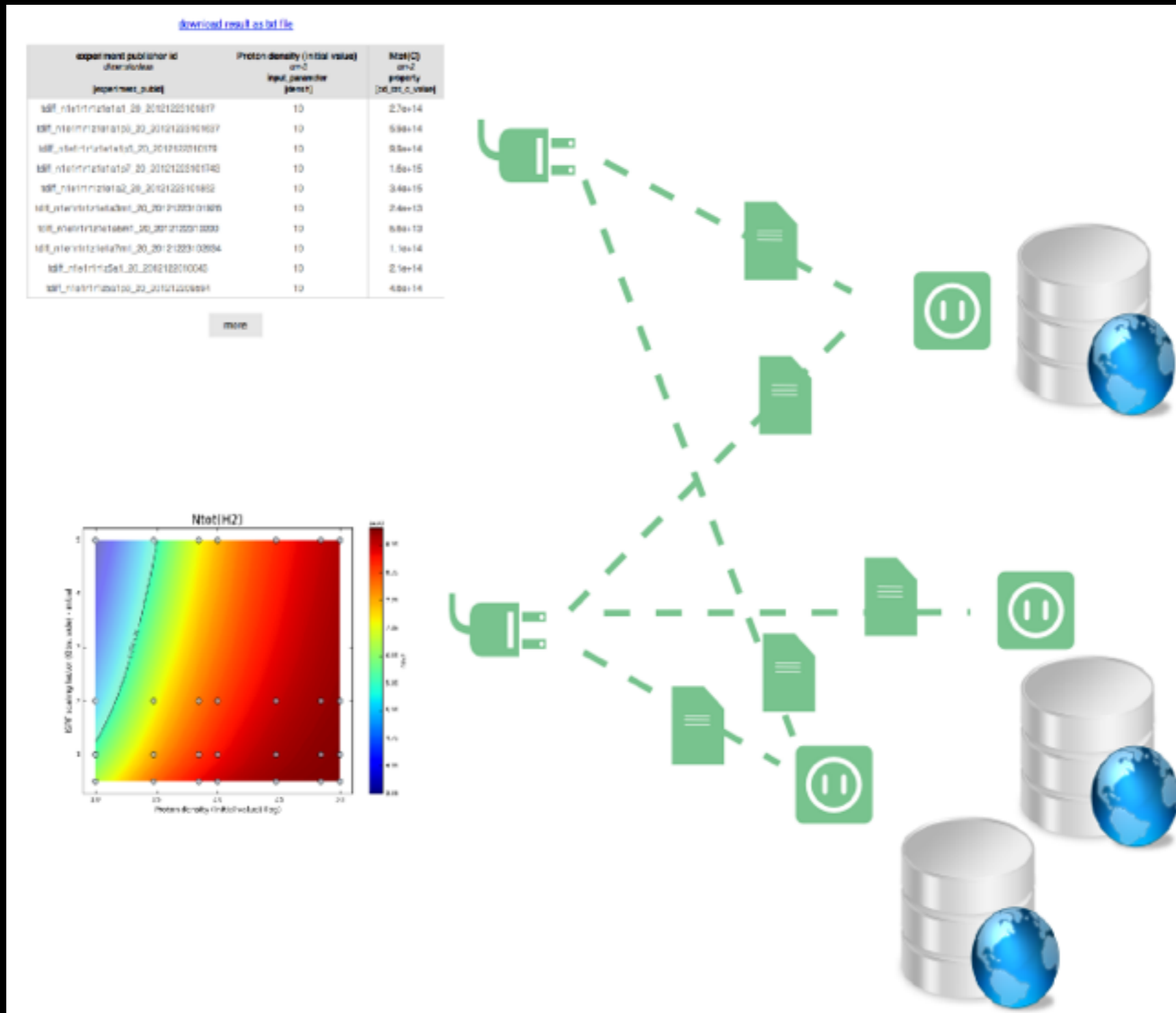
# You need help

- Help me to find **what I want to search for**
  - Simulation Registry (~SimDB / VO Registry)
- Help me to **search for & get the values**
  - Simulation Search
- Help me to get **the model raw data**
  - Simulation Data Access / Cutout

# But why ?



# Because you want to understand what I tell you



# Simulations Registry

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- Where **you find what you want to search for**
  - astronomical object : *halos, cloud, star*
  - simulation code : *ramses, gadget, pdr*
  - physical quantity : *mass, proton density*
  - scientist : *Gerard Lemson, Einstein*

# How does Registry help ?

- **FullText search** on Project / Service / Protocol

**Think Google bar**

- Provides **SimDM XML serialisations**
  - **pivot format**
  - with / without nested (large) collections
  - **streaming access** to nested collections



# API example

`/search?q=proton density&results=20`

`/services?project=pdr-grid-201403`

`/projects?authority=ism.obspm`

`/protocols?project=par-grid-201403`

`/input_parameters?protocol=pdr161`

`/properties?protocol=pdr161&object=cloud`

# Simulations Search

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- Help you **get / constraint the values**
- Help you **identify a dataset to cutout**
- **Provide** the SimDM **Experiment XML serialisation**

# How does Search help ?

- **Defines a virtual (flat, big) table**
  - input parameters, statistical summaries, ... as “columns”
- **Describes the columns** (values, ranges, ...)
- **Defines a way to query the columns**

# Why a virtual table ?

- The **end user doesn't necessarily know SimDM**
- Just present him a (virtual) **table with columns.**
- Whatever they are SimDM input parameter, property...

# From table to Nd cube

**A flat table is actually a coord system**

table -> coord system

column -> axis

row -> point / vector

# Why not a standard table ?

- We need to define a **standard NOT COUPLED with implementations details**
- Which let us scale in the future

NO TAP (adql => RDBMS)

but **virtual columns ~ parameters ~ axis**

**Interop** Napoli (2011), Pune (2011), Heidelberg (2013)

# Describe axis

- What ?
  - basic **values meta** (ranges, etc..., votable like)
  - pointers towards **SimDM protocol file** for more meta ( ~ virtual TAP\_SCHEMA )

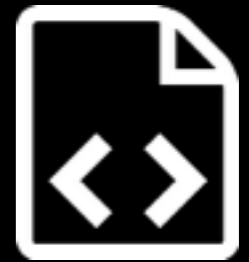


# Describe axis

- How ?
  - self description **/axis-metadata** endpoint
    - S3 like self-description
  - pointer towards **SimDM protocol file** for more meta ( ~ **virtual TAP\_SCHEMA** )

# /axis-metadata

protocol publisherDID



protocol.xml

```
<PARAM ID="temp" name="INPUT:temp" unit="Gyr"
  utype="simdm://resources/protocol/input_parameter.publisherDID"/>
<DESCRIPTION>Age</DESCRIPTION>
<LINK content-role="OPERATORS" value="0_LT_EQ"/>
<VALUES type="actual">
  <OPTION value="0.001"/>
  <OPTION value="0.002"/>
  <OPTION value="0.005"/>
  <OPTION value="0.006"/>
</VALUES>
</PARAM>
```

# Discuss

- self description
- standard votable output
- utype towards protocol.xml

# How to query ?

- Think in **tables**, they are easy to understand
- **close to VO semantic** (adql / tap / votable)
- **conceptual subset of SQL for single flat tables** “simple SQL”

***select*** <columns> ***where*** <filters>

***select temp where temp = 0.005***

```
<PARAM ID="temp" name="INPUT:temp" unit="Gyr"  
  utype="simdm://resources/protocol/input_parameter.publisherDID"/>  
<DESCRIPTION>Age</DESCRIPTION>  
<LINK content-role="OPERATORS" value="0_LT_EQ"/>  
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</VALUES>  
</PARAM>
```

# available operators

```
<      : O_LT
>      : O_GT
=      : O_EQ
< & = : O_LT_EQ
> & = : O_GT_EQ
< & > : O_LT_GT
~      : O_REGEX (for string axis)
```

because we don't always have enough information  
to filter < AND > (ex: min/max stats only)

# Query request example

- `/query?select=p1,p4&filters=p7<2e23,p5~"density*"`

- POST

```
{
  "select" : ["p1", "p4"],
  "filters" : [
    {"axis" : "p7", "op" : "<", "value" : "2e23"},
    {"axis" : "p5", "op" : "~", "value" : "density*"}
  ]
}
```

# Query response example

- votable
- groups used to define input parameters and property statistics

```
<GROUP ID="group_temp" utype="simdm:resource/experiment/parameter_setting">  
  <PARAM name=""  
    utype="simdm:/resource/experiment/parameter_setting.input_parameter"  
    value="densh"/>  
  <FIELDRef ref="temp_numeric_value"/>  
</GROUP>  
  
<FIELD name="" ID="temp_numeric_value" ucd=""  
  ref="group_temp"  
  utype="simdm:/resource/experiment/parameter_setting.numeric_value.value"  
  datatype="float" unit="d"/>
```



# Optional languages

- ADQL (back compatibility with existing TAP services)
- Simple SQL with **arithmetic**
  - `/query?select=p4&filters=(p2 + p7)<2e23"`

# Discuss

- how to pass parameters to /query ?
  - query language
  - post / get

# API examples

`/experiments?protocol=pdr161`

`/parameter_settings?experiment=tdiff_2e3&results=5&page=2`

`/output_datasets?experiment=tdiff_2e3`

`/statistical_summaries?output_dataset=tdiff_2e3_d1`

Data Access - Cutout

# Data Access

- (repeat) **tables are too specific**, let's generalise
  - (virtual) tables -> coord system
  - columns -> axis
- **SSD & Data Access can be defined the same way**

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# An unique API remains

- /axis-metadata
- /query

# Query operations

- axis based service allows **composite filters**

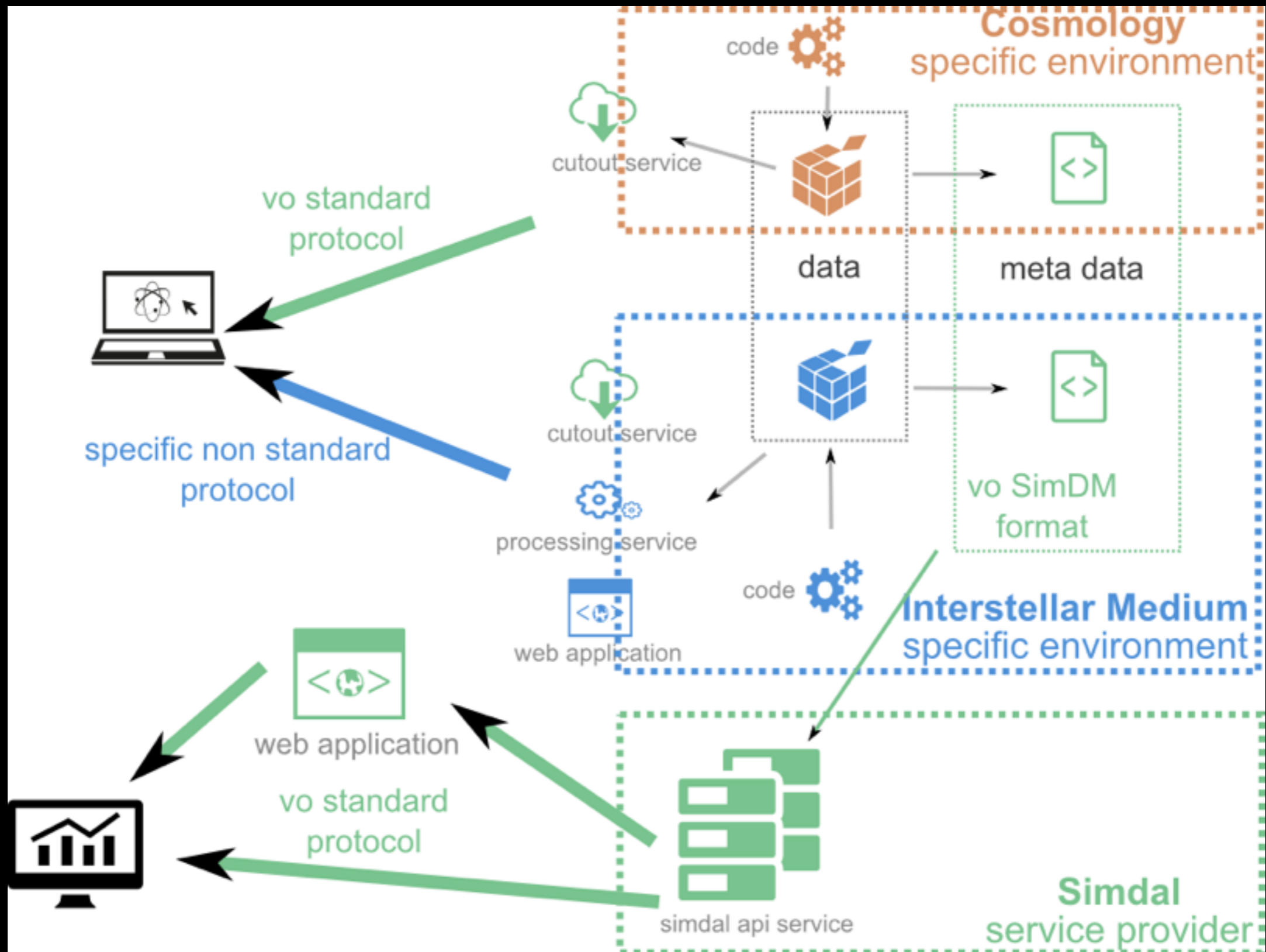
$$\text{axis1} / (\text{axis1} + \text{axis2}) < 3\text{e}12$$

# What goes where ?

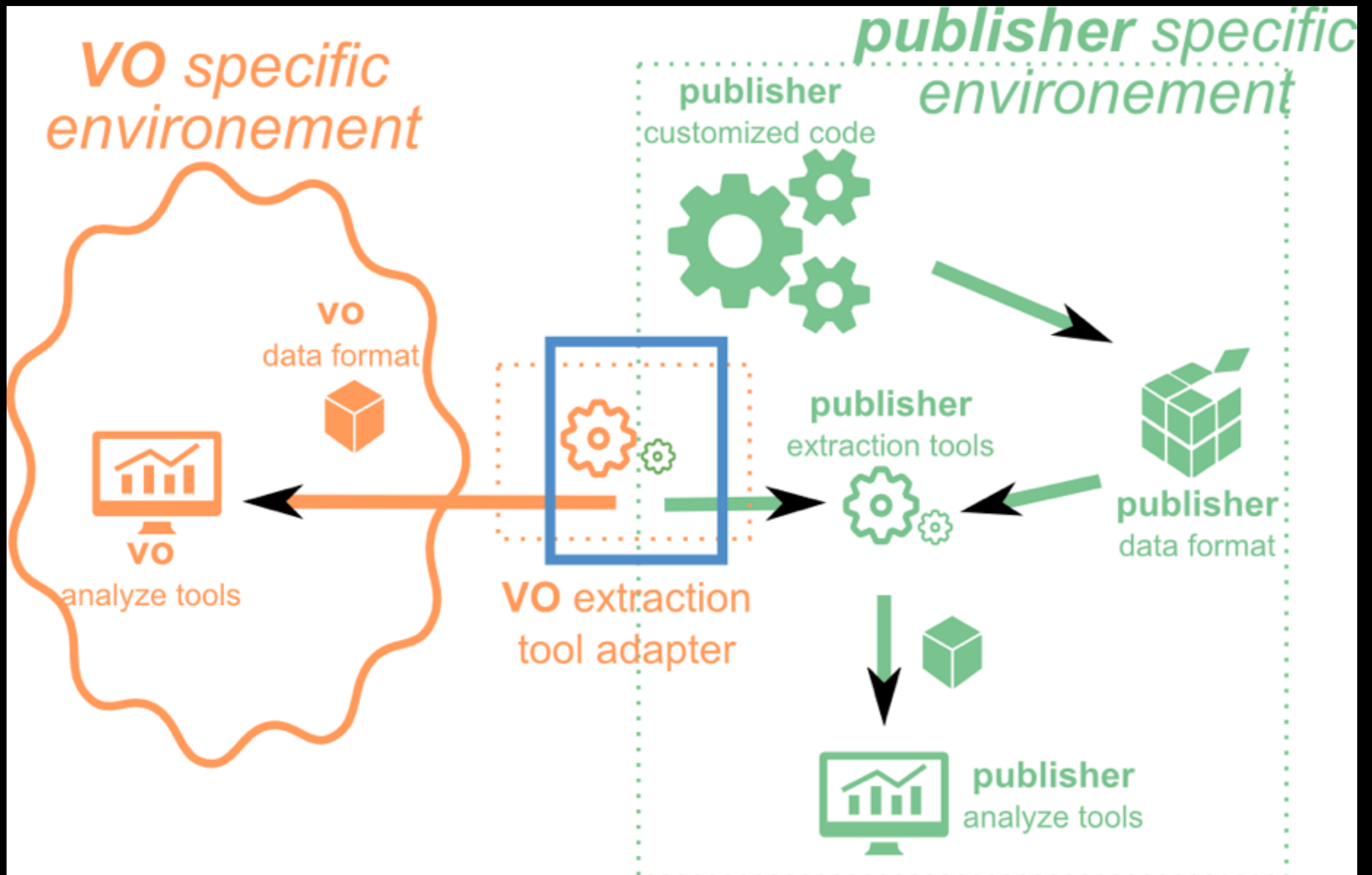
- Registry
  - Centralized : Simulation Repository/Registry
- Search and Discovery
  - Centralized OR publisher managed
- Cutout
  - REST Api wrapper on top of publisher software



# Ok, here is the sugar



# How much work for publisher ?



# Discuss

- Who goes where ?

# Take-out

- Simulation **Registry** ( Centralized Registry )
  - Help me find what I want to search for
- Simulation **Search** (Centralized / Distributed)
  - Help me search for the values
- Simulation **Data Access / Cutout** ( Publisher service )
  - Help me access the raw data