



sci-wms

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A brief history

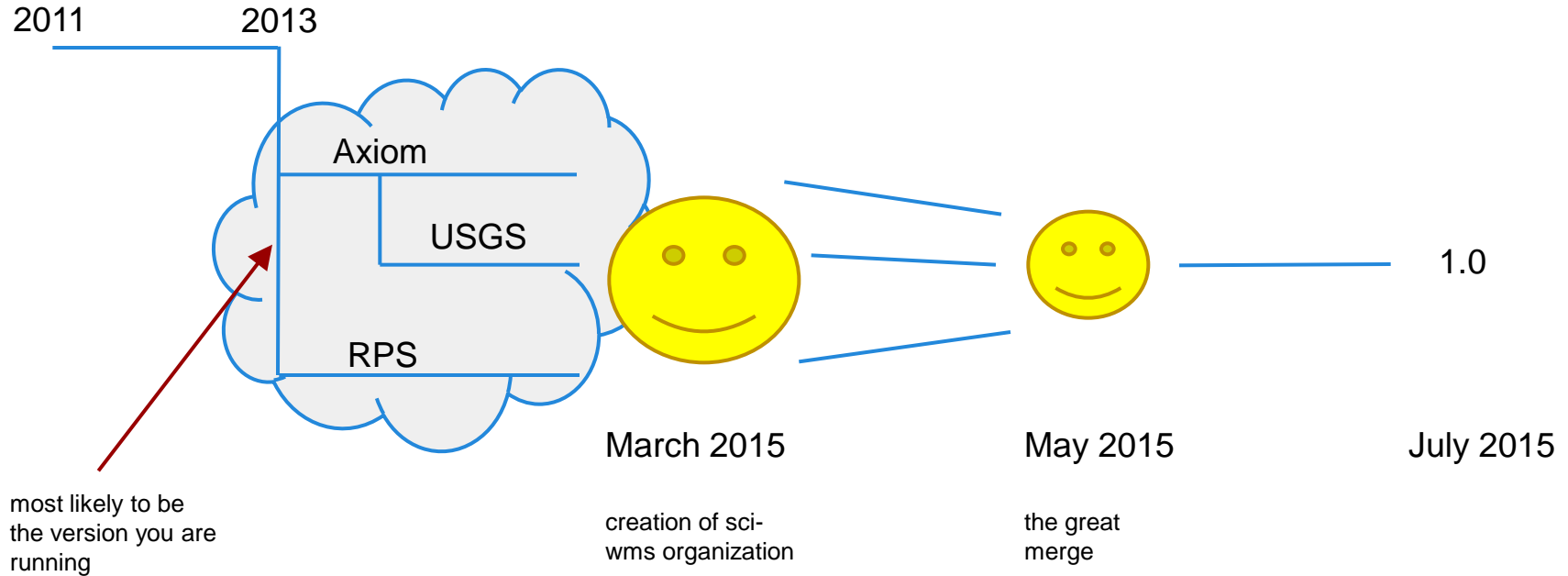
SURA Modeling Testbed

How can we visualize FVCOM/SELFE/ADCIRC (unstructured grid) data?

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Author: unknown <ACrosby@.ASA.local>  
Date: Mon Oct 10 09:28:55 2011 -0400
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Initial Commit of the fvcom unstructured server

A brief history



Improvements from 2013

- Projection support (RPS)
- Friendly interface (RPS/Axiom)
- Quickly add new datasets (RPS)
- Quickly visualize/troubleshoot datasets (RPS)
- REST endpoints to manage datasets (USGS)
- Rendering performance (RPS)
- Integration of access libraries (RPS/USGS)
- Style refactor (Axiom)
 - No more “contours_average_jet_0.13_5.60_None_node”
 - Simply “contours_jet” (similar to ncWMS)
- Easily extendable to new datasets (Axiom)
- Abstraction for easier growth - new visualization types (RPS/Axiom)
- Docker (Axiom)

Dataset Types

- Unstructured grids via [pyugrid](#)
 - fvcom
 - adcirc
 - selfe
 - delft3d
- SGRID via [pysgrid](#) (soon)
 - roms
 - pom
- Regular / rectilinear grids (soon after that)
 - satellite

Implementing a Dataset type

Subclass Dataset and implement required methods:

1. def **getmap**(self, layer, request)
2. def **getlegendgraphic**(self, layer, request)
3. def **getfeatureinfo**(self, layer, request)
4. def **wgs84_bounds**(self, layer)
5. def **depths**(self, layer)
6. def **times**(self, layer)
7. def **has_cache**(self)
8. def **update_cache**(self, force=False)
9. def **clear_cache**(self)
10. def **humanize**(self)

Example UnstructuredGrid dataset class: <http://bit.ly/1LK1bJL>

Visualization types

- Contours / Filled Contours
- Barbs / Vectors
- Rendering every gridcell (soon)
- ?

Implementing a Visualization Type

- Not as easy to add as a Dataset type, but possible!
 - Tied closely with the type of Dataset
1. Implement your visualization [here](#) and return an HttpResponse (image, etc)
 1. Add a case for your new viz type on each DatasetType that you want to support. [Example](#).

Looking forward

- Support ncWMS specific extensions
 - logscale / missing value color / number of contours
 - <http://www.resc.rdg.ac.uk/trac/ncWMS/wiki/WmsExtensions>
- Support ncWMS GetMetadata requests (a la Godiva2)
- Documentation (what's that?)
- Support datasets that are NOT in WGS84 coordinates
- [More](#)