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WP3: Data Management



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Objectives of WP3

From the Description of Work:

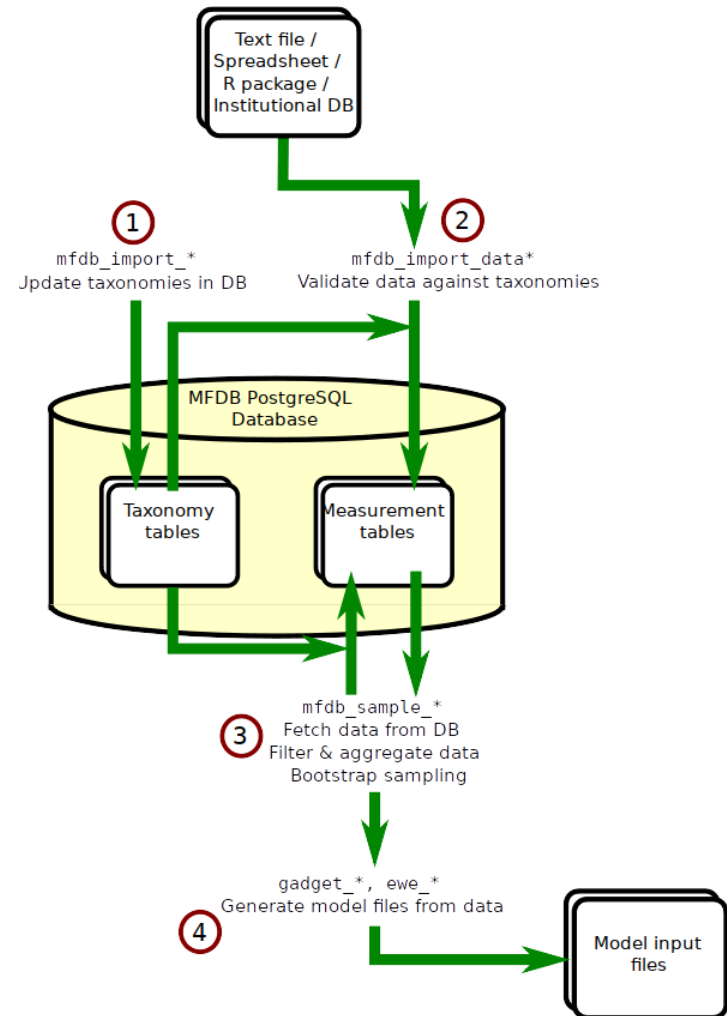
- **Establish the data that will be generated by case studies and model runs, and what data case studies will demand.**
- **Define and set up a database system to serve the needs of other WPs, specifically WP5**
- **Write data extraction routines for models and other existing systems to populate the database.**

...which lead to the MareFrame DataBase toolkit.



MFDB

- **R package, or toolbox, to help you manage a database on your own computer and generate model data within R.**
- **Has functions for...**
 - **Automatic set-up and configuration of a PostgreSQL database**
 - **Ingest data from files/APIs**
 - **Transform/aggregate data, including bootstrap sampling**
 - **Create input files for ecosystem modelling tools, notably GADGET and RPath**



MFDB

- **Now up to version 6.0:**
- **Focus on making a generic tool for the future, rather than being wedded to MareFrame**
- **Enhancements to discard support developed as part of MINOUW twinning**

- **Used my the majority of case studies, in particular:**
- Icelandic CS: All likelihood components in Gadget model
- South Western Waters CS: Anchovy Gadget model
- Baltic CS: Cod/Herring/Sprat Gadget models for all the likelihood components
- Strait of Sicily CS: Hake, White Shrimp and Horse Mackerel model
- North Sea CS: Survey Data in small gadget models, survey data for Orange/Red models
- Black Sea CS: Turbot gadget model



Other WP3 Outputs

- **MFDBAtlantis: Tools to ingest Atlantis data into MFDB**
 - Thus allowing Atlantis to be used as an operating model for **GADGET**
- **MFDB Server: A server hosted by UI for sharing of model data.**
 - MFDB can import / export data, or query the server directly
- **Contributions to RGadget:**
 - Code to manipulate **GADGET** configurations and formulae



Main Challenges

- **Dependencies: RPath was only available late into the project**
 - **Can't add support for something that doesn't exist**
 - **Delays for model development**
 - **Resulted in a delayed D3.3, which needed to demonstrate support for RPath/EwE**



Legacy – What now?

All code is open source, and will continue to be available from the github website.

A core part of the GADGET toolchain:

- **RGadget & MFDB together can now handle all stages of model development within R, allowing for models that are**
 - ...quick to reconfigure
 - ...reproducible
 - ...updatable with future data



Legacy – What now?

Will continue to be a useful tool for MareFrame partners:

- MRI: "We used gadget + rgadget + mfdb to develop two harvest control rules (for tusk and ling in Icelandic waters) and mfdb was fundamental for rapid model development and uncertainty estimation."
- SLU: "mfdb will continue to be the companion of further developments of the Baltic gadget model after MareFrame."
- CISC: "I'm using it every time I need to include new information in the anchovy model"
- NRC: "I suspect that in the future I will use it for Scientific interrogation of the North Sea Survey data."



Publications



- **Source code available for all R packages on Github site:**
 - <https://github.com/mareframe/mfdb>
 - <https://github.com/mareframe/mfdbatlantis>
- **Documentation for all R packages published online:**
 - <https://mareframe.github.io>

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