



A Framework for Understanding S+DI

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Characteristics of a (S)DI



- Group of loosely affiliated organizations coming together to pursue a shared interest
- Benefits and costs are spread unevenly across parties
- No central point of control or authority
- Observations
 - The infrastructure has little value without broad, sustained *participation*
 - Need a platform that allows middle-out participation
 - Do a better job of matching up risk with rewards (costs & benefits)

An SDI Taxonomy



type	capability	examples
file transfer	<i>read</i>	file sharing, FTP, Web download
file transfer with search	<i>read/search</i>	portals, such as GEOSS GEO Portal, Geospatial One-Stop
data infrastructure	<i>read/write/search</i>	Google MyMaps (plus Maps Data API)
spatial data infrastructure	<i>distributed read/write/search/spatial search</i>	GeoConnections Canada(?)
spatial compute cloud	<i>distributed read/write/search/spatial search/spatial processing</i>	?

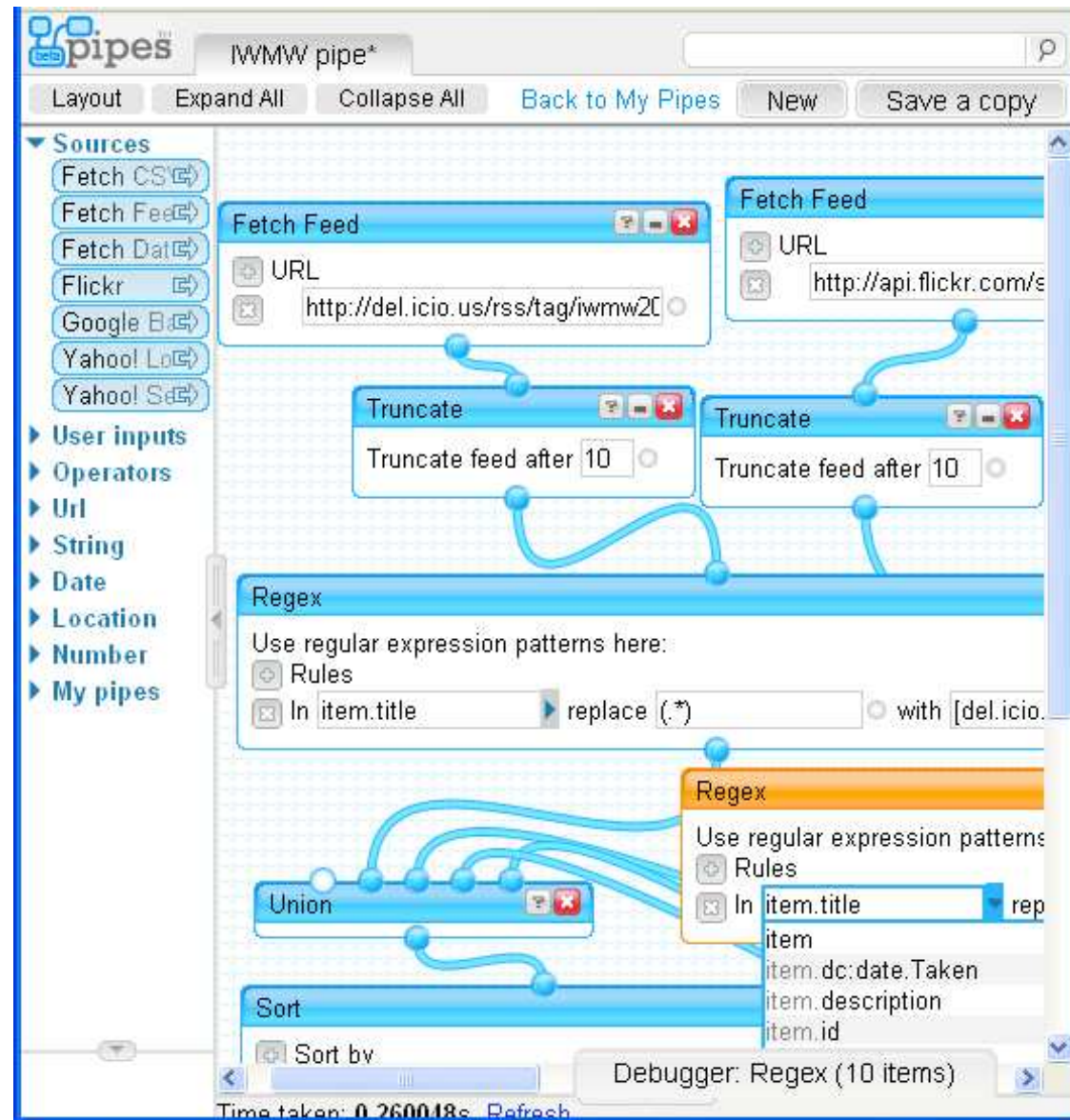
OGC Service Match with SDI Taxonomy



type	capability	examples
file transfer	<i>read</i>	WFS, WCS
file transfer with search	<i>read/search</i>	add CSW
data infrastructure	<i>read/write/search</i>	add WFS-T (no WCS-T), GeoRM
spatial data infrastructure	<i>distributed read/write/search/spatial search</i>	add Cascading WFS, Geo-Synchronization
spatial compute cloud	<i>distributed read/write/search/spatial search/spatial processing</i>	add distributed WPS

WCS: Web Coverage Service
WFS: Web Feature Service
WFS-T: Web Feature Service – Transactional
CSW: Catalog Services for the Web
WPS: Web Processing Service
GeoRM: Geospatial Rights Management

Distributed Data Processing: Yahoo! Pipes



Read-Write GeoWeb: MyMaps Editor by Google



- With this application you can create, edit, share, and view personalized maps on your Android powered phone synchronized with the My Maps tab on Google Maps. Create a map on your desktop computer using Google Maps and then take it with you on the go and update it on location.

