

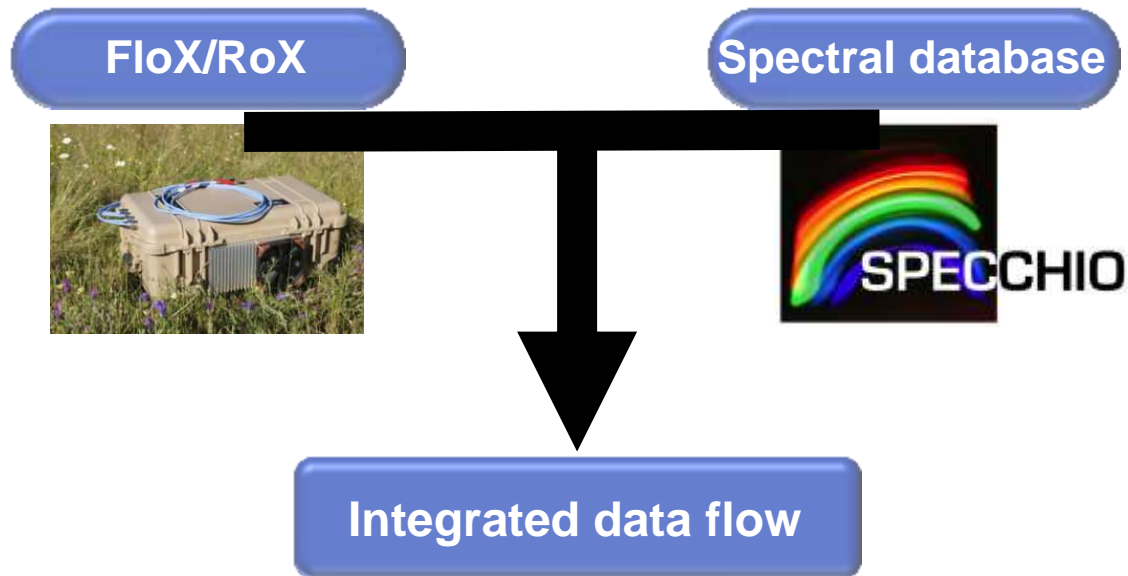


FloX integrated data flow: from tower to database

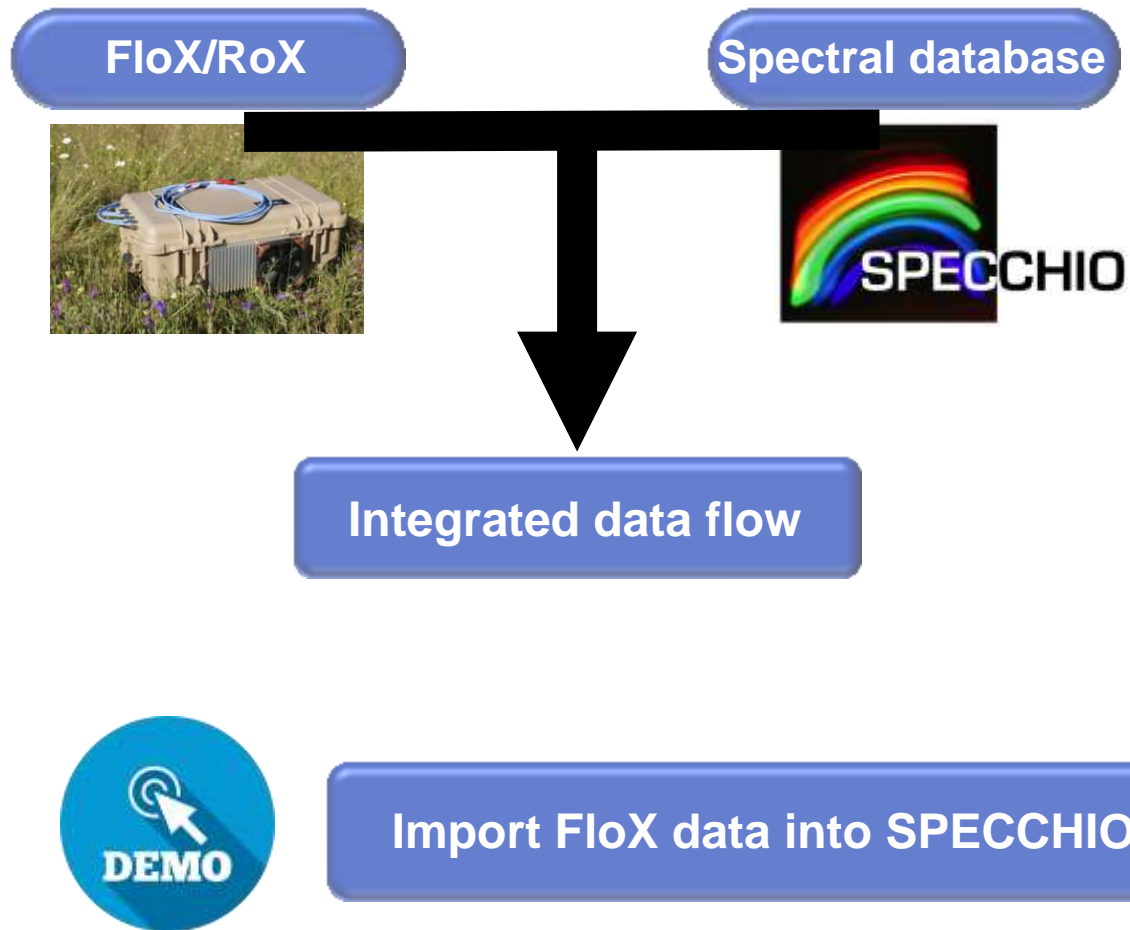
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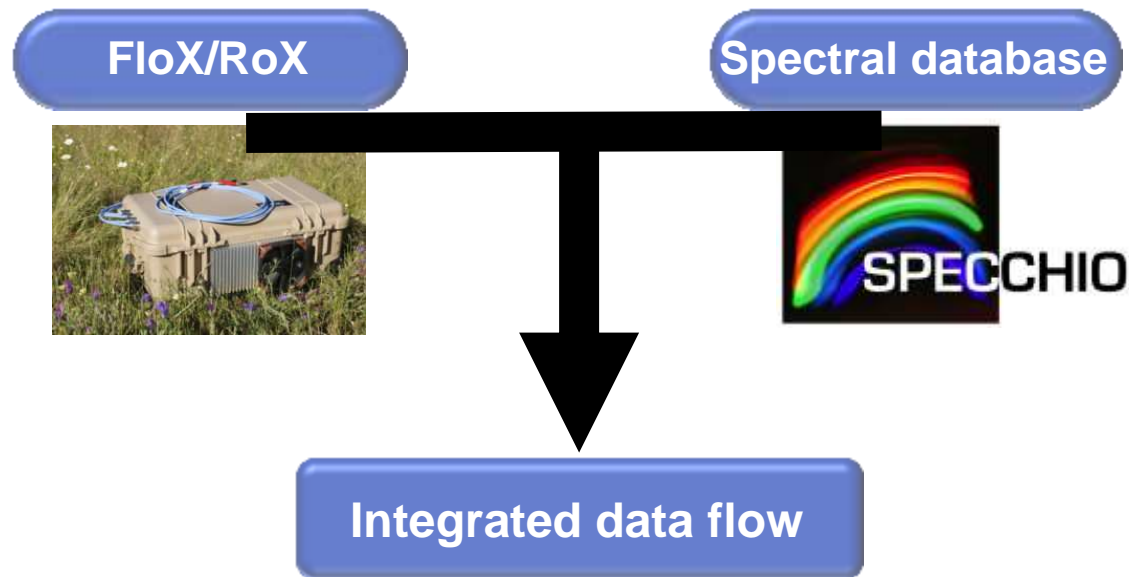
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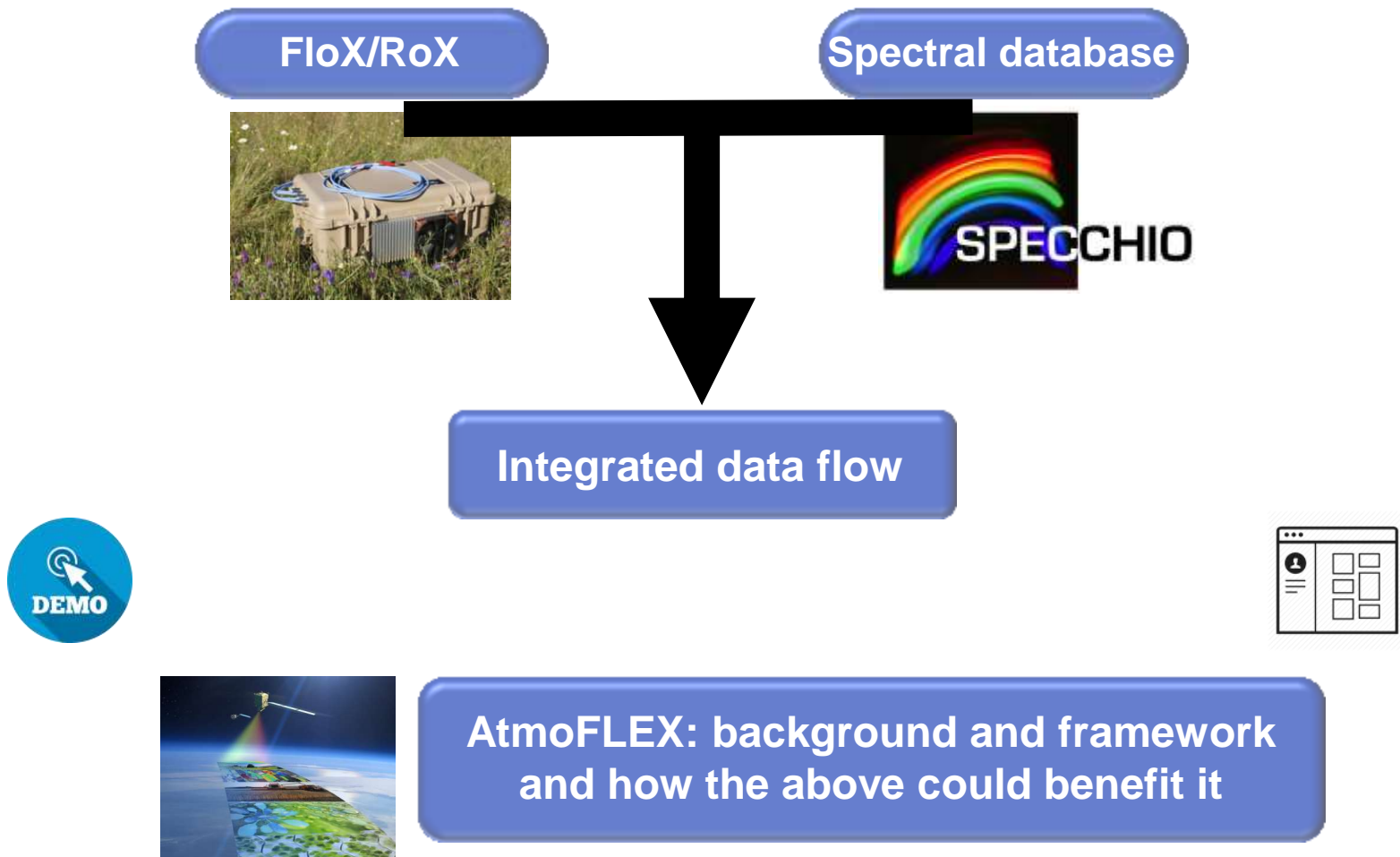


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**Streamlined graphical user interfaces:
Java application to interface with FloX/RoX**

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Spectral Database SPECCHIO

Rationale: improve long-term usability and data sharing (A. Hueni *et al.*, 2009)

➡ Repository for spectroradiometer data and associated metadata

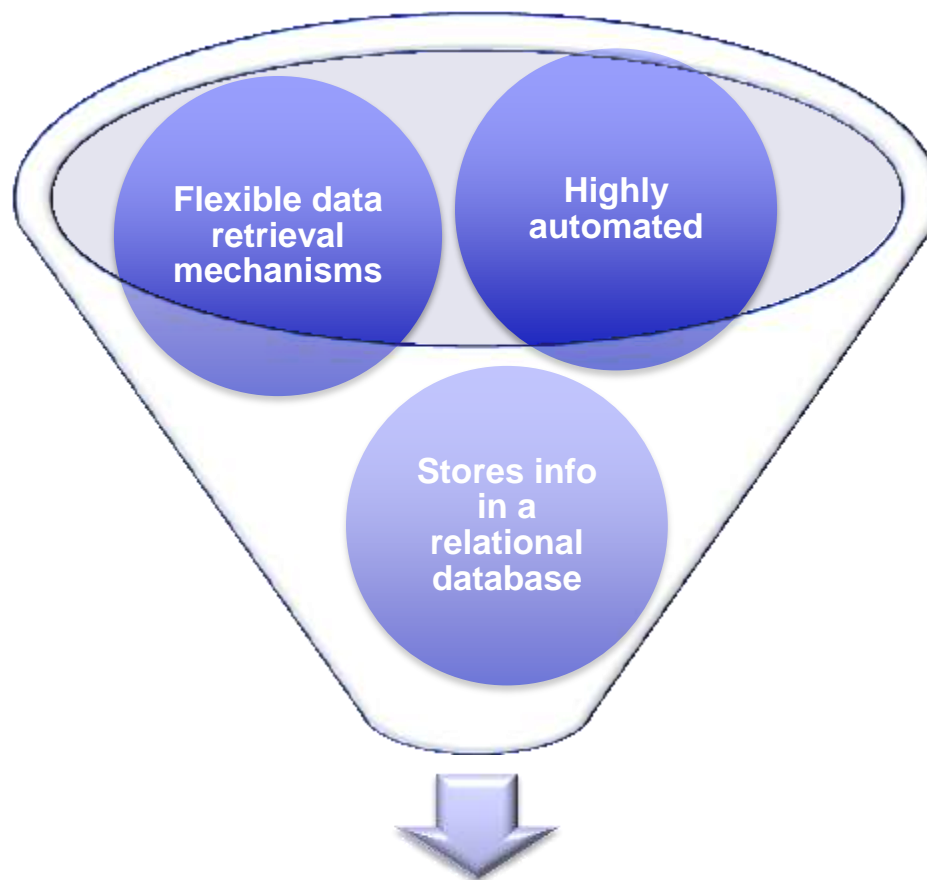
➡ Java-based application – keeps it independent of OS



➡ Runs on any machine with Java Virtual Machine, connects to database via TCP/IP on a configurable port (hence via Web).

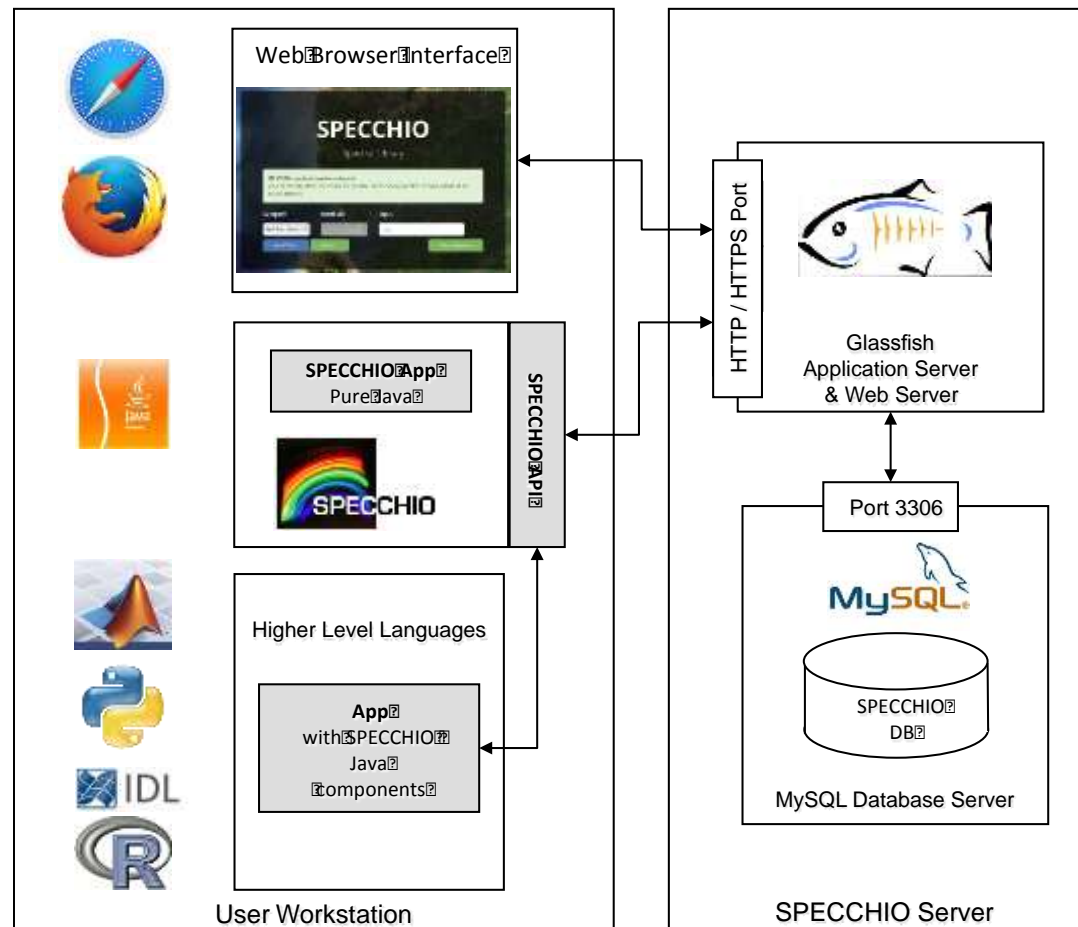
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Main characteristics:



Spectral database with efficient data import, automated metadata generation, editing and retrieval via a Java app

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Development History

Version 0: 2003 - In-house only



Version 1: 2006 - Java based + Online database. Available to community

Version 2: 2009 - First generic metadata support

Version 3: 2014 - Australian National Data Service project (SPECCHIO Australia). Full generic metadata support. Open Source

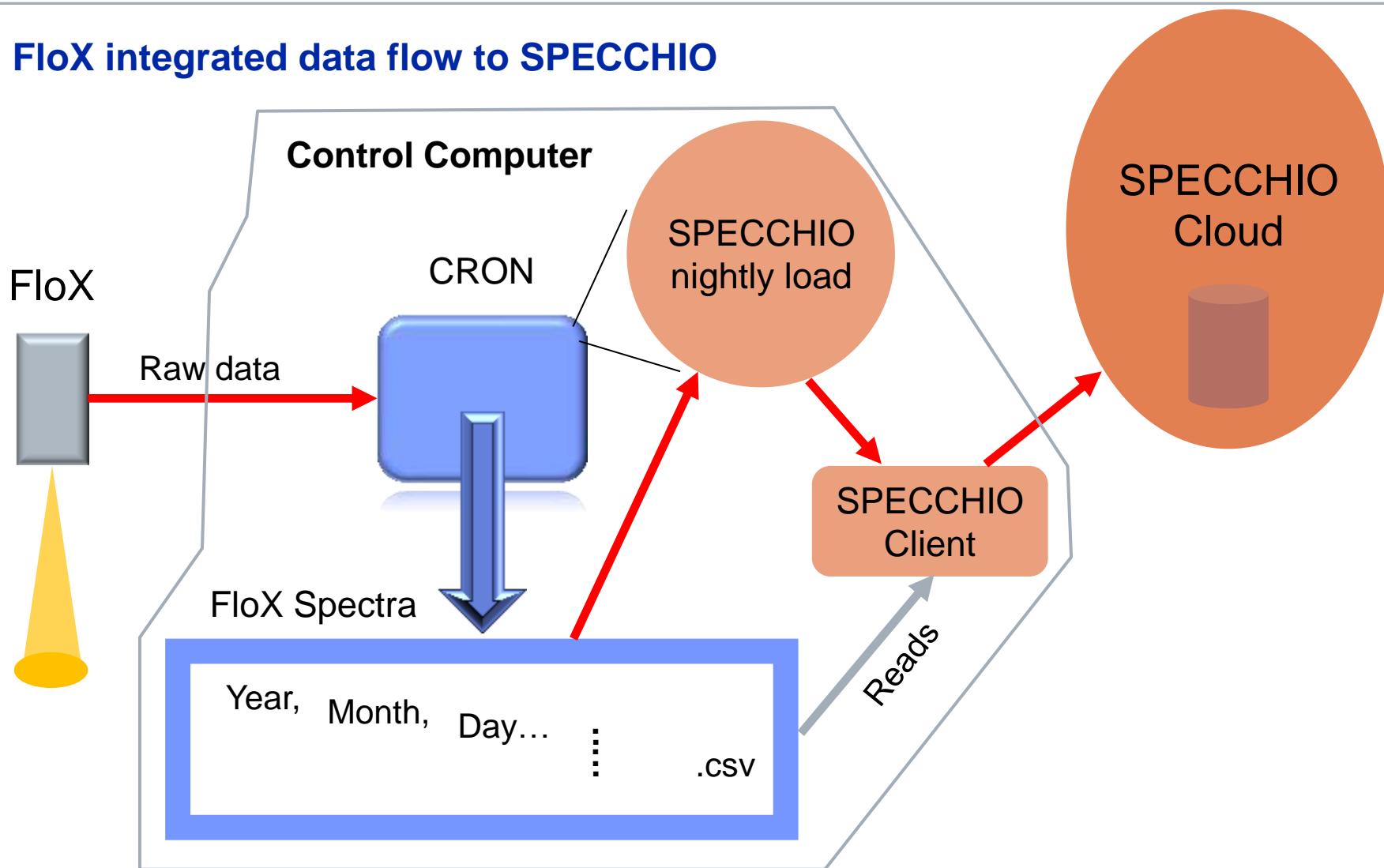


Version 3.3: 2018 - Hosting of SPECCHIO for Australia by Geoscience Australia (GA). Optimised metadata storage at hierarchy levels

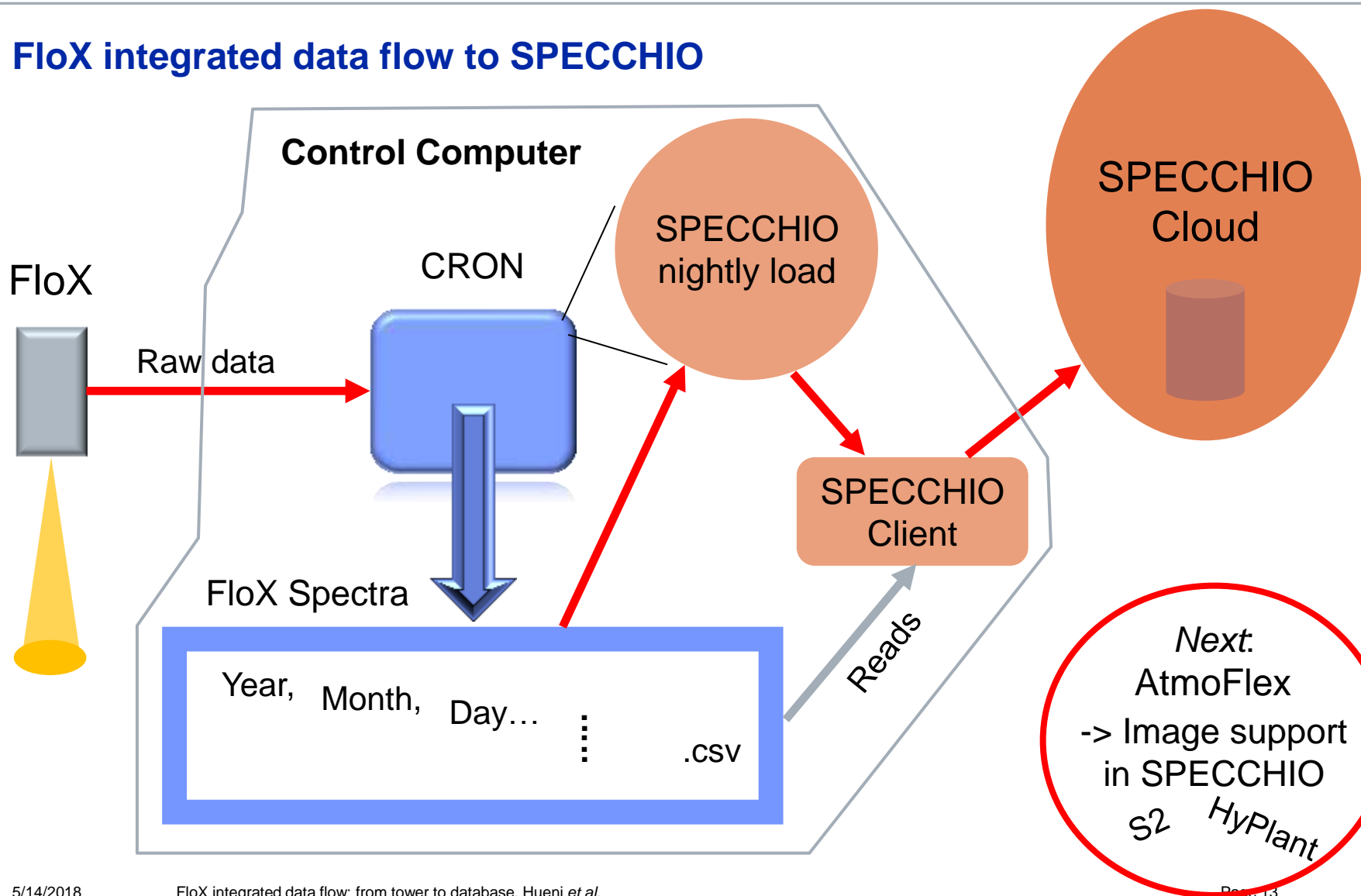


Longest development record of any public spectral database in the remote sensing community

FloX integrated data flow to SPECCHIO

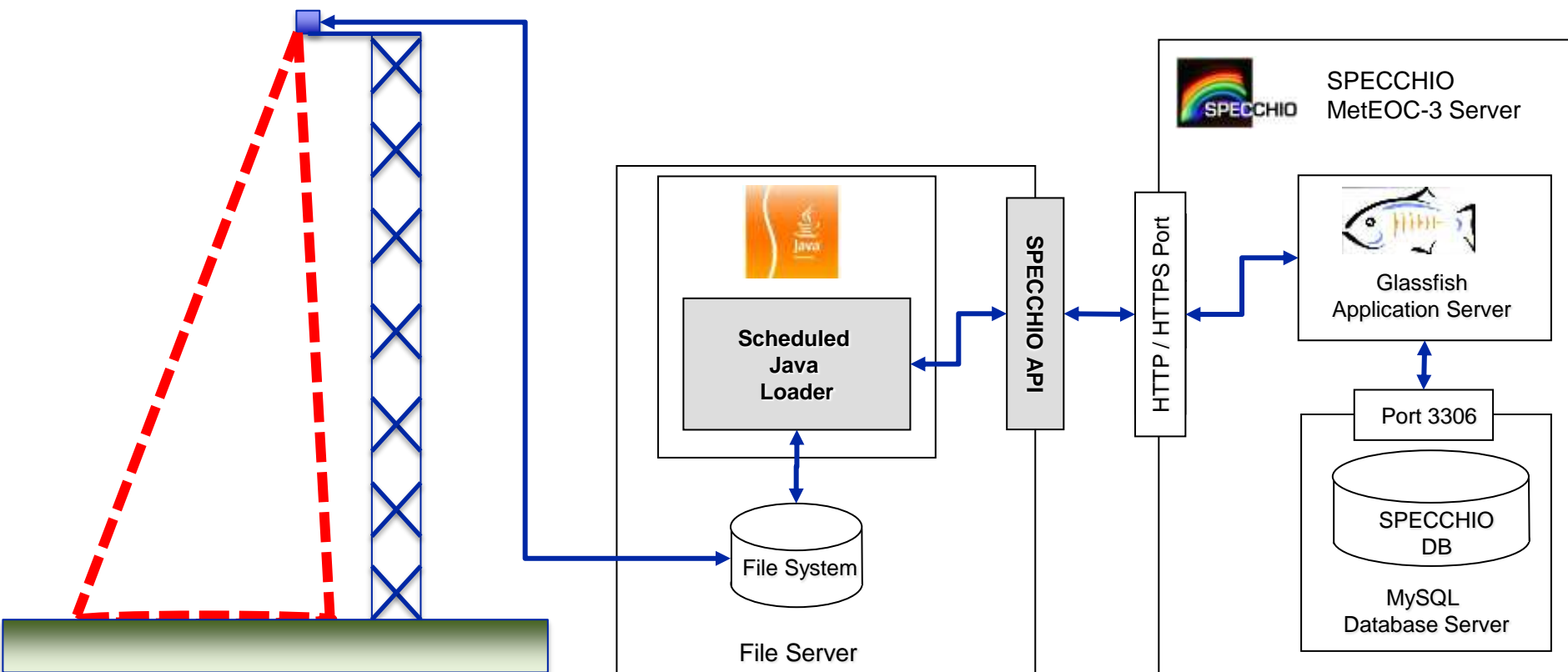


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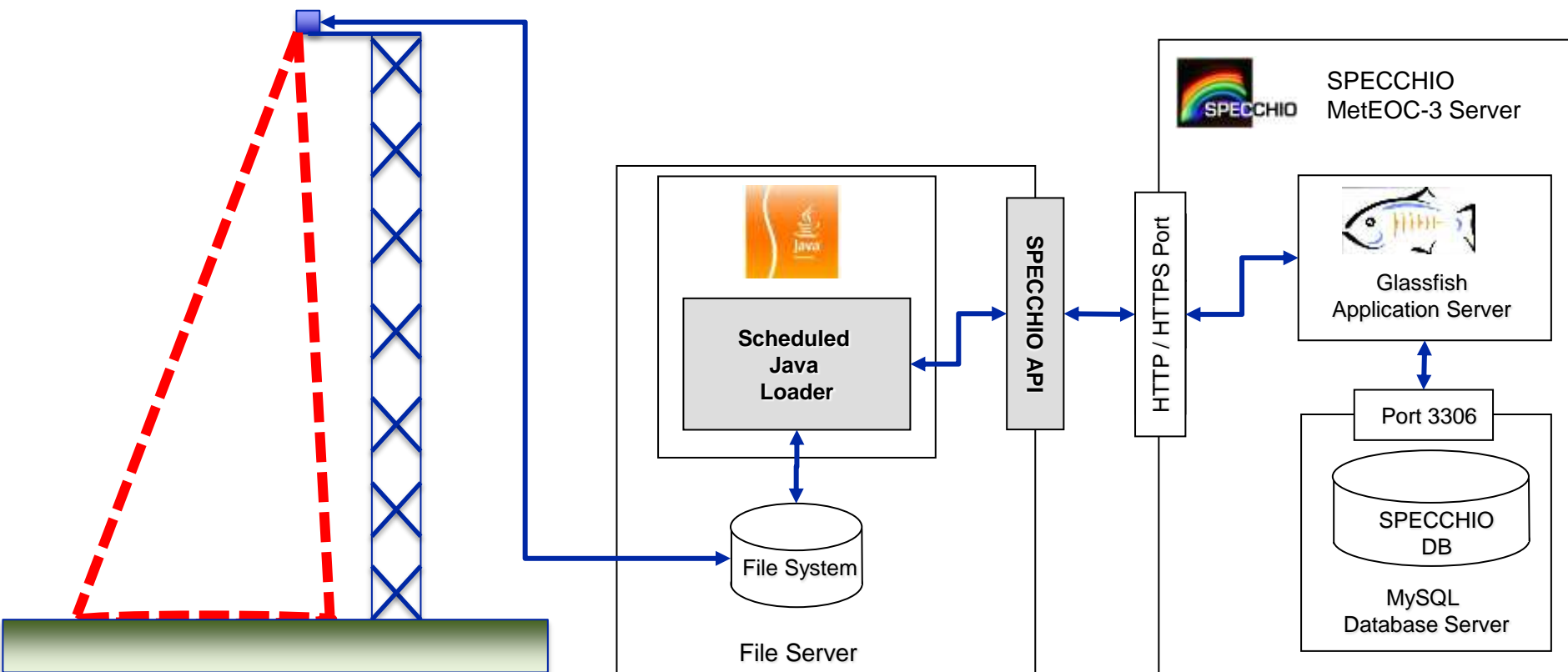
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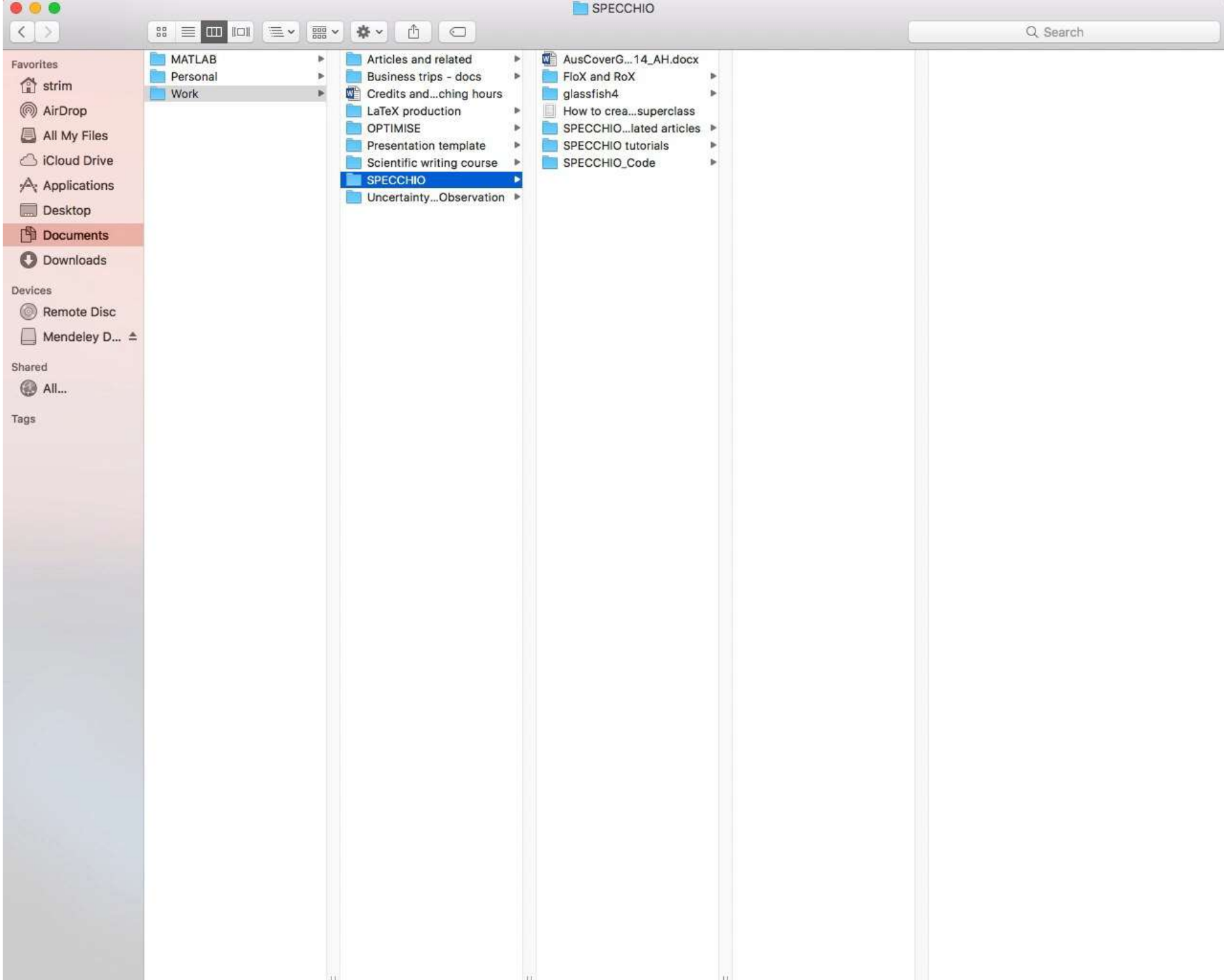
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Use case for the scheduled data loading is online: http://specchio.ch/API_Examples.php



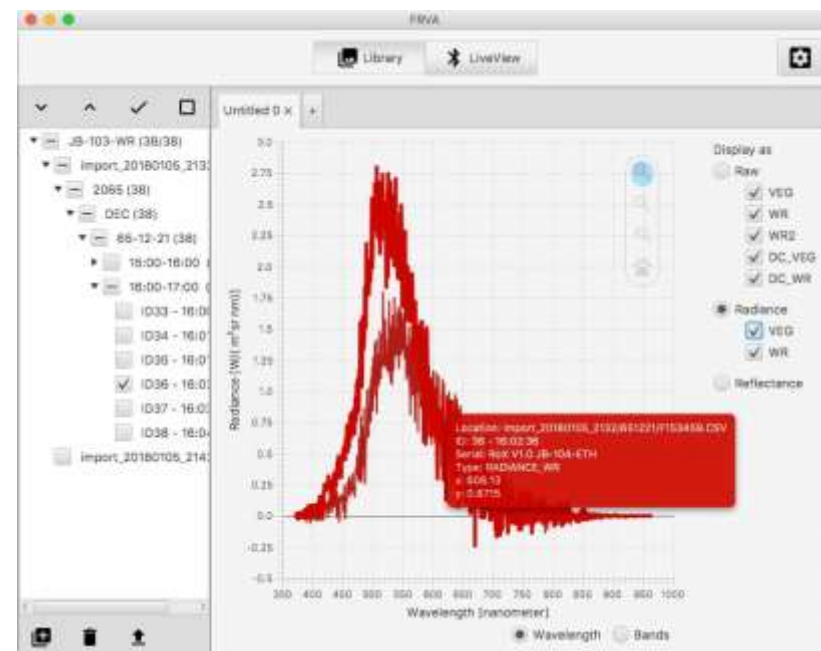
Demonstration: Importing FloX data into SPECCHIO



Further case study: User-friendly FloX interface (RSL, University of Applied Sciences and Arts Northwestern Switzerland)

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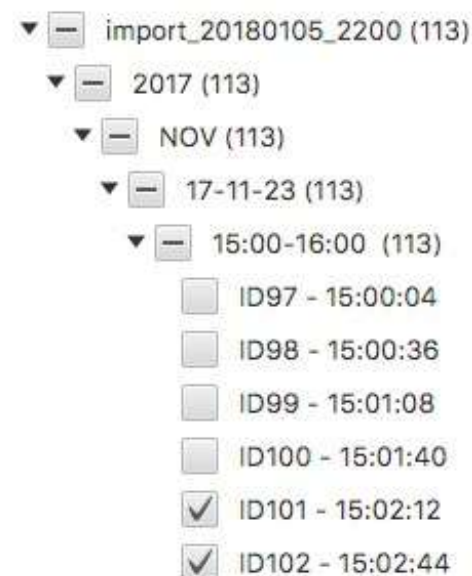


FRVA showing stored radiance values of upward and downward looking channels acquired under low light conditions (A. Hueni *et al.*, 2018)

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Example of a hierarchy as shown by the FRVA (A. Hueni et al., 2018)


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Code and compiled binaries are freely available on GitHub:

<https://github.com/jpduloch/frva>



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FLEX: Background

Main challenge for calibration/validation

Lab and Field
vegetation fluorescence
measurement techniques

adapt into

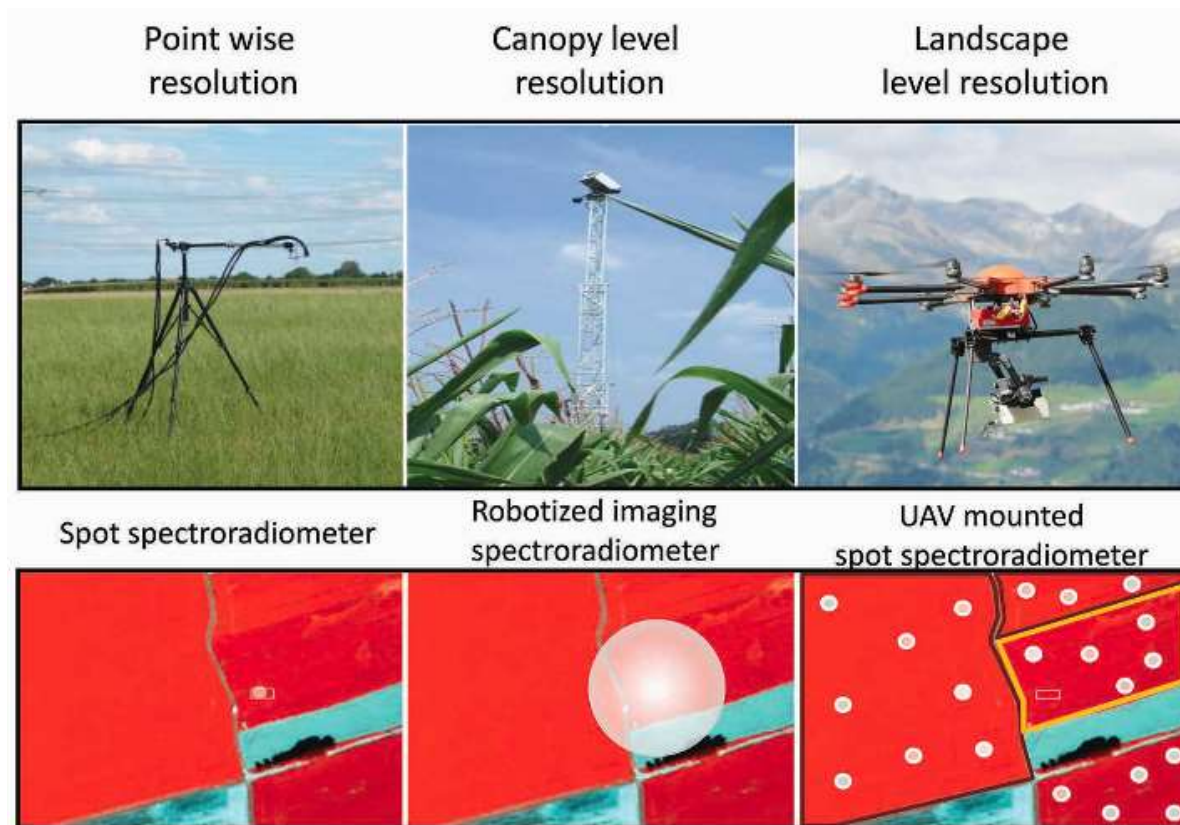


Remote sensing systems
operated from aircraft
and satellites

New ability:
mapping of photosynthetic efficiencies over large geographical areas
(ultimately global scale)

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Any EO mission requires land-based and airborne measurements to validate satellite data



ESA, SP-1330/2 (Figure 6.7, June 2015)

AtmoFLEX: Framework and Goals

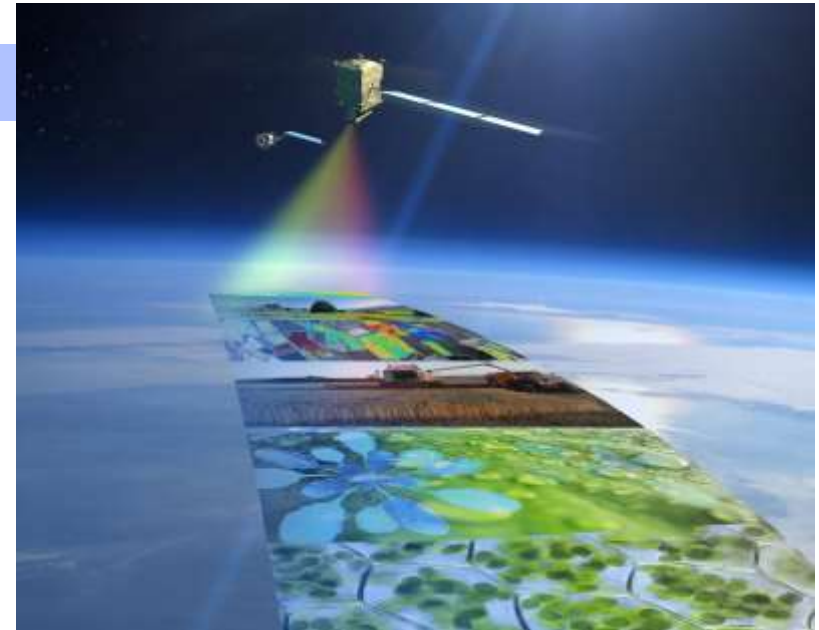
FLEX: FLuorescence EXplorer

ESA's 8th Earth Explorer mission

AtmoFLEX campaign



Supporting science study
for FLEX



ESA

- ➡ Use **FloX** instruments to make a **reference network** of equally-equipped sites
- ➡ Establish a **reference database for FLEX-related projects** (incl. Sentinel-3)

Recap and Outlook

- ➡ As of now, one can already import FloX/RoX .csv files into SPECCHIO
- ➡ Remaining tasks for automated data flow: generate time-structured folders to copy over daily data from tower sites, calibration data + remaining metadata parameters
- ➡ FLEX challenge: like every EO mission, combine in situ ground data (here: FloX) with satellite products for calibration and validation
- ➡ This database might be interesting for AtmoFlex!
- ➡ Not covered: processing of the data to radiance or fluorescence
BUT option to integrate the processing module within SPECCHIO in the future



Thank you for your attention

SPECCHIO website: www.specchio.ch



FLEX: Background

General interest in developing new abilities to acquire further insight into Earth-system processes...

... including photosynthesis



Most information about terrestrial vegetation obtained from reflectance alone



BUT emitted radiation (spectral fluorescence) can be used to identify the dynamical status of vegetation (stress)

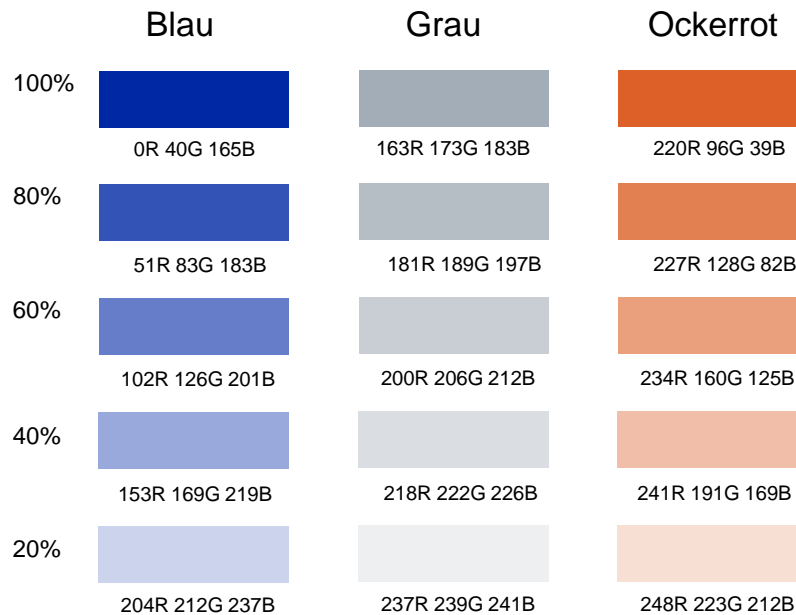
Fluorescence: the most directly measurable indicator for photosynthetic efficiency



Interest in remote sensing of fluorescence



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