

A horizontal banner image featuring a sequence of celestial bodies from left to right: a blue planet (Earth), a brown planet (Mars), a brown planet (Mars), a white planet (Jupiter), and a brown planet (Mars). The text "Planetary Data System" is overlaid in white on the right side of the banner.

Planetary Data System

# **Tool Design**

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# Topics

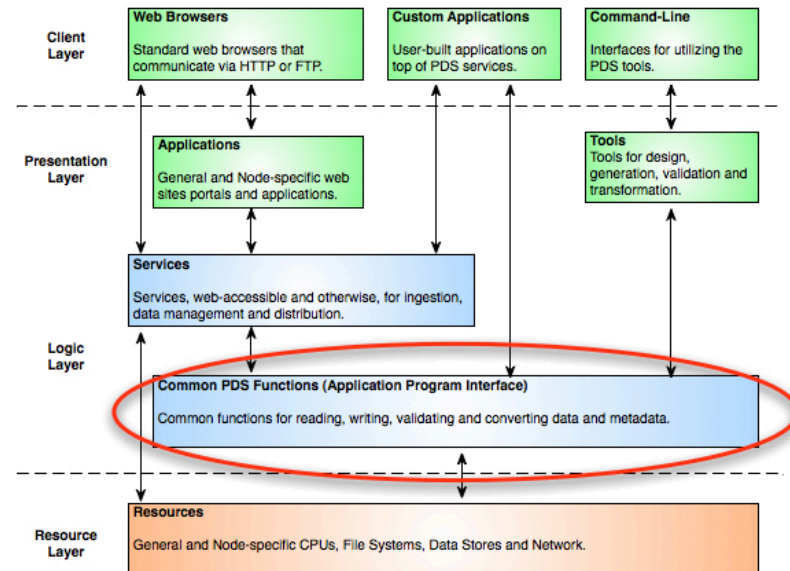
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# Overview

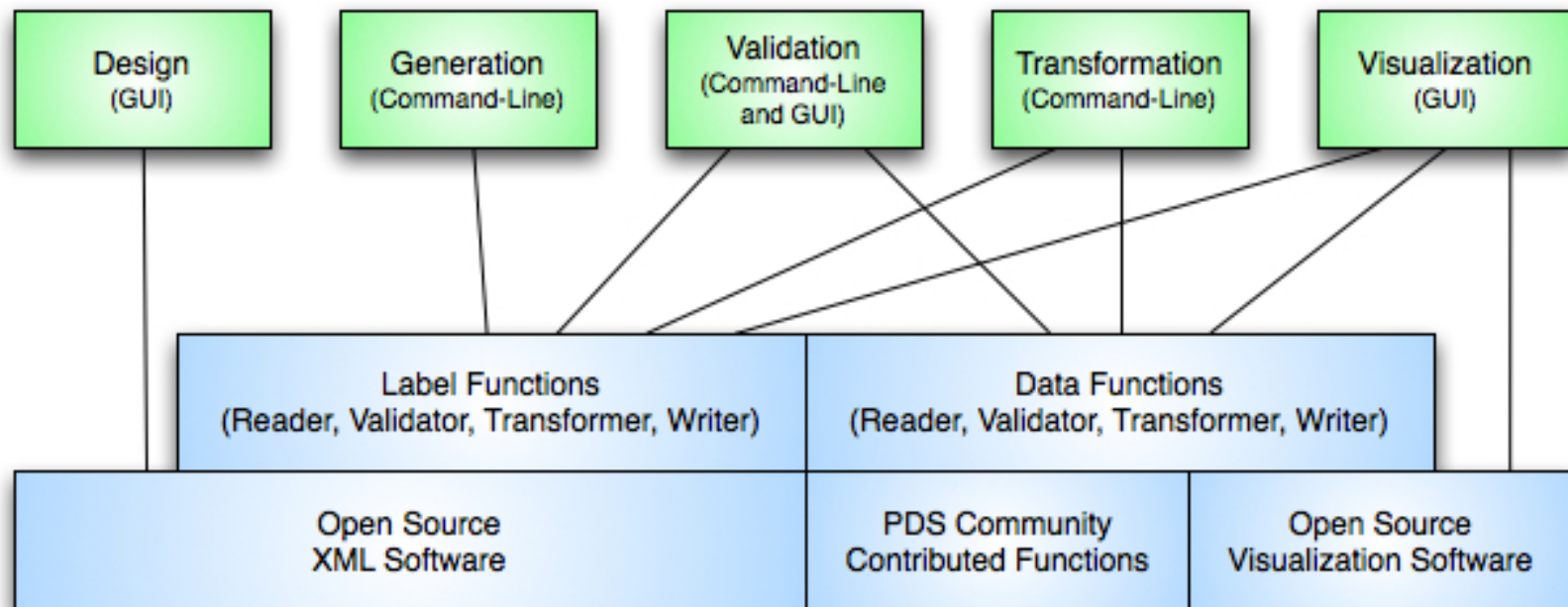
- There are several functions within the PDS system that are well suited for tool-based interfaces:
  - Design, generation, validation, transformation and visualization of PDS products (metadata and data).
- By tool-based interfaces we mean standalone command-line and GUI applications executed on a user's desktop machine.

# Approach

- Develop a common set of functions and make them available in a Java-based library.
- These functions are then available to the tools and services within the system.
- Portions of the library will be open for contributions from the PDS community.



# Architecture (PDS Library Functions)

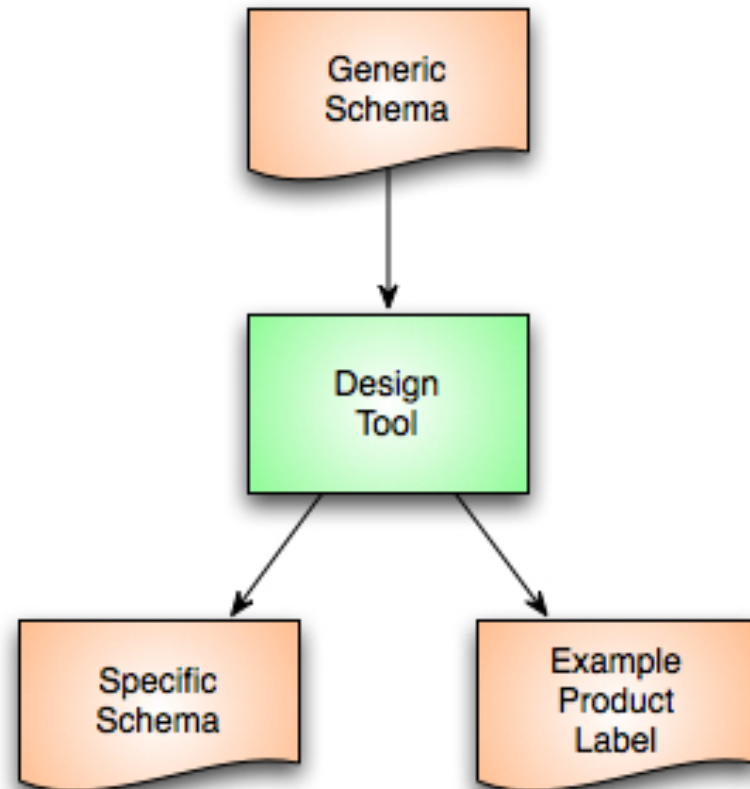


# Design Tool

- This tool provides functionality for designing product label schemas using the XML Schema standard.
- The Data Design WG is currently using off-the-shelf tools (XML Editors) for designing the prototype schemas.
  - The suggested tools are Oxygen and Eclipse, commercial and open source tools, respectively.
- Exploring the possibility of designing and developing a PDS-specific tool.

# Design Tool (cont)

- The tool facilitates manipulation of a generic schema into a specific schema.
- Generates example labels to aide users in schema comprehension.



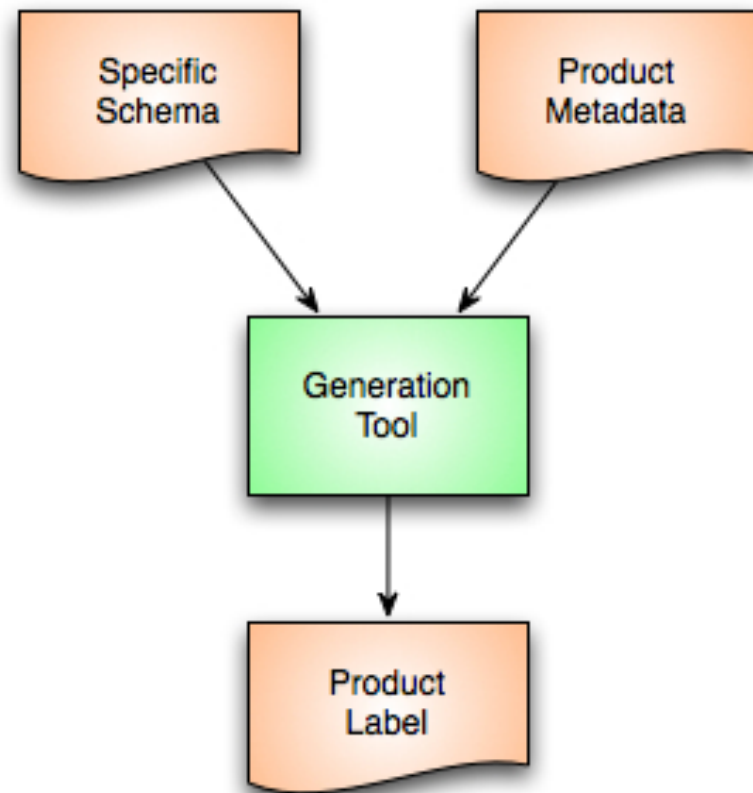
# Generation Tool

- This tool provides functionality for generating product labels.
- Facilitated through the existence of a specific product schema.
- The tool offers a command-line interface but the intent is to provide software that can be incorporated into a mission pipeline for producing labels.



# Generation Tool (cont)

- Accepts a specific schema and product-specific metadata as input.
- Generates a compliant product label as output.

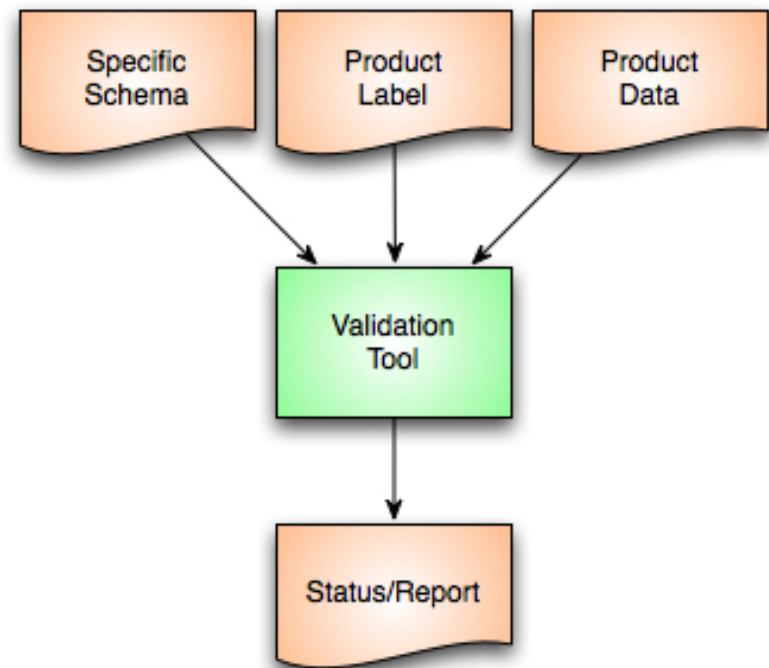


# Validation Tool

- This tool provides functionality for validating product labels and product data.
- The associated specific schema for the product label specifies syntactic and semantic constraints.
- Additional constraints are levied by the PDS Standards Reference.
- Compared to PDS3, implementation is much simpler utilizing open source XML utilities.

# Validation Tool (cont)

- A label is validated against the associated specific schema.
- The data are validated against the associated product label.
- Validation status and a report are produced.

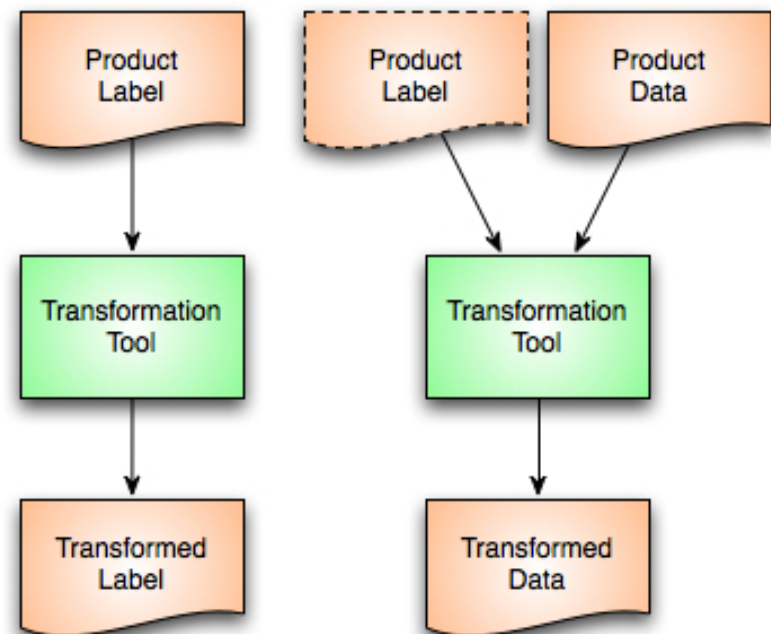


# Transformation Tool

- This tool provides functionality for transforming product labels and data to/from PDS4 formats.
- Designed with a plug-in framework allowing third parties to develop plug-ins for various formats.
- The framework will be available to the PDS community for development of plug-ins outside of the Engineering Node.

# Transformation Tool (cont)

- Product label transformation is stylesheet-based.
- Depending on the desired data transformation, a product label may be required.

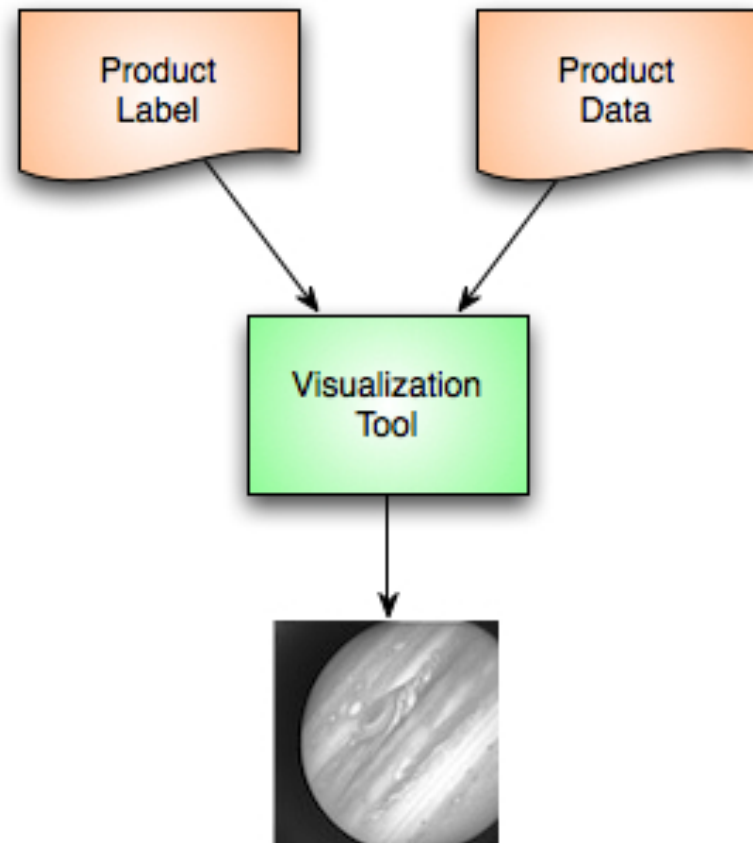


# Transformation Tool (cont)

- The PDS Nodes were surveyed for a list of transformation formats and their priorities for implementation.
- Approximately 40 different data formats and 2 label formats were identified.
- Popular formats include:
  - JPEG, Raw Raster and PNG for Image Data
  - CSV and Flat (fixed) for ASCII Table Data
  - PVL for Product Labels
- The initial release of the tool will include the highest priority transformations.

# Visualization Tool

- This tool provides functionality for inspecting and visualizing PDS products.
- Supports more than image products (e.g., tables, etc.).
- The PDS3 implementation is commonly used during peer reviews for product verification.



# Wrap Up

- Heavy focus on providing reusable capabilities in a published software library.
- Encourages reuse by the PDS Node staff as well as the PDS community as a whole.





# Questions / Comments