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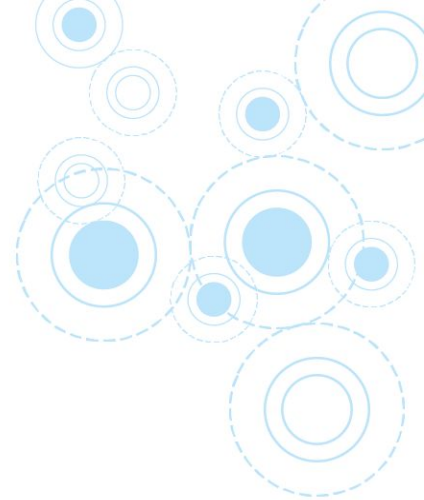
iRODS Labels: A Proposal for a Complementary Labeling Mechanism in iRODS

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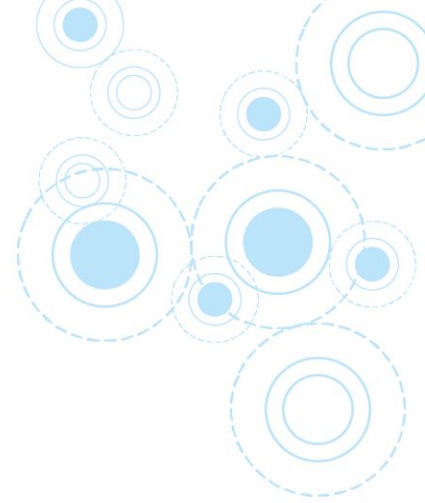
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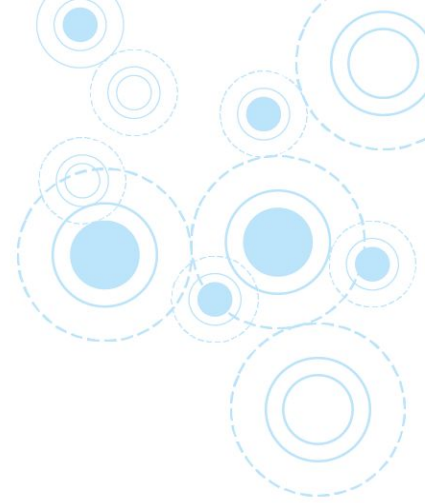
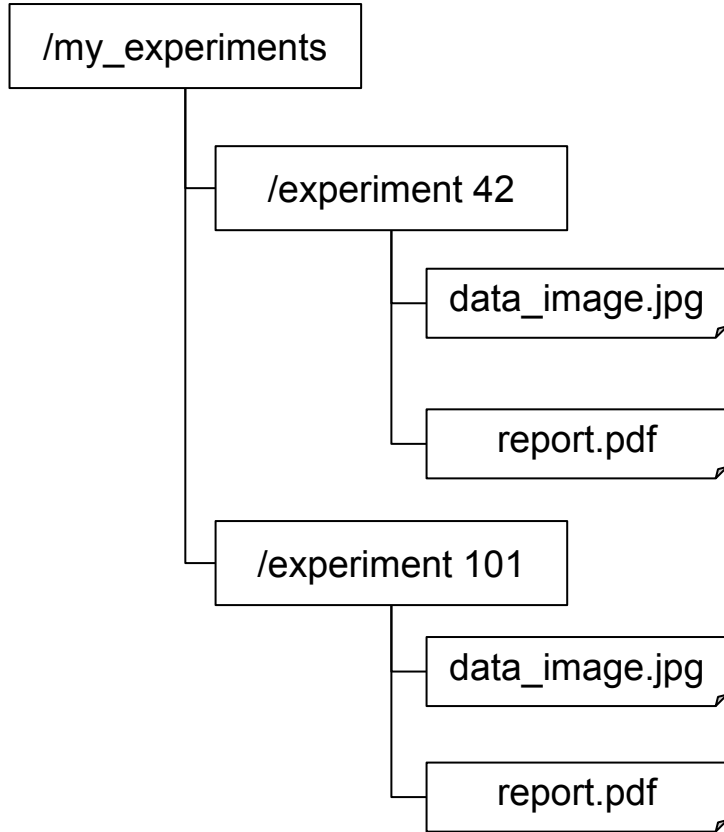
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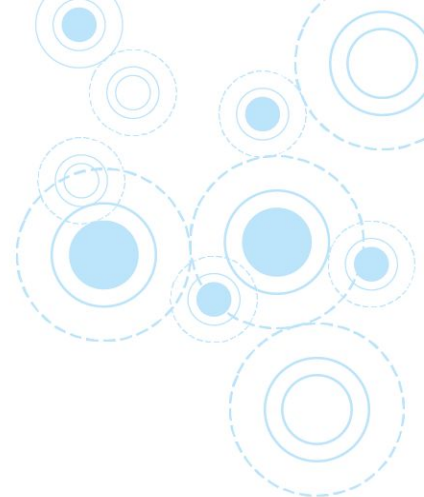
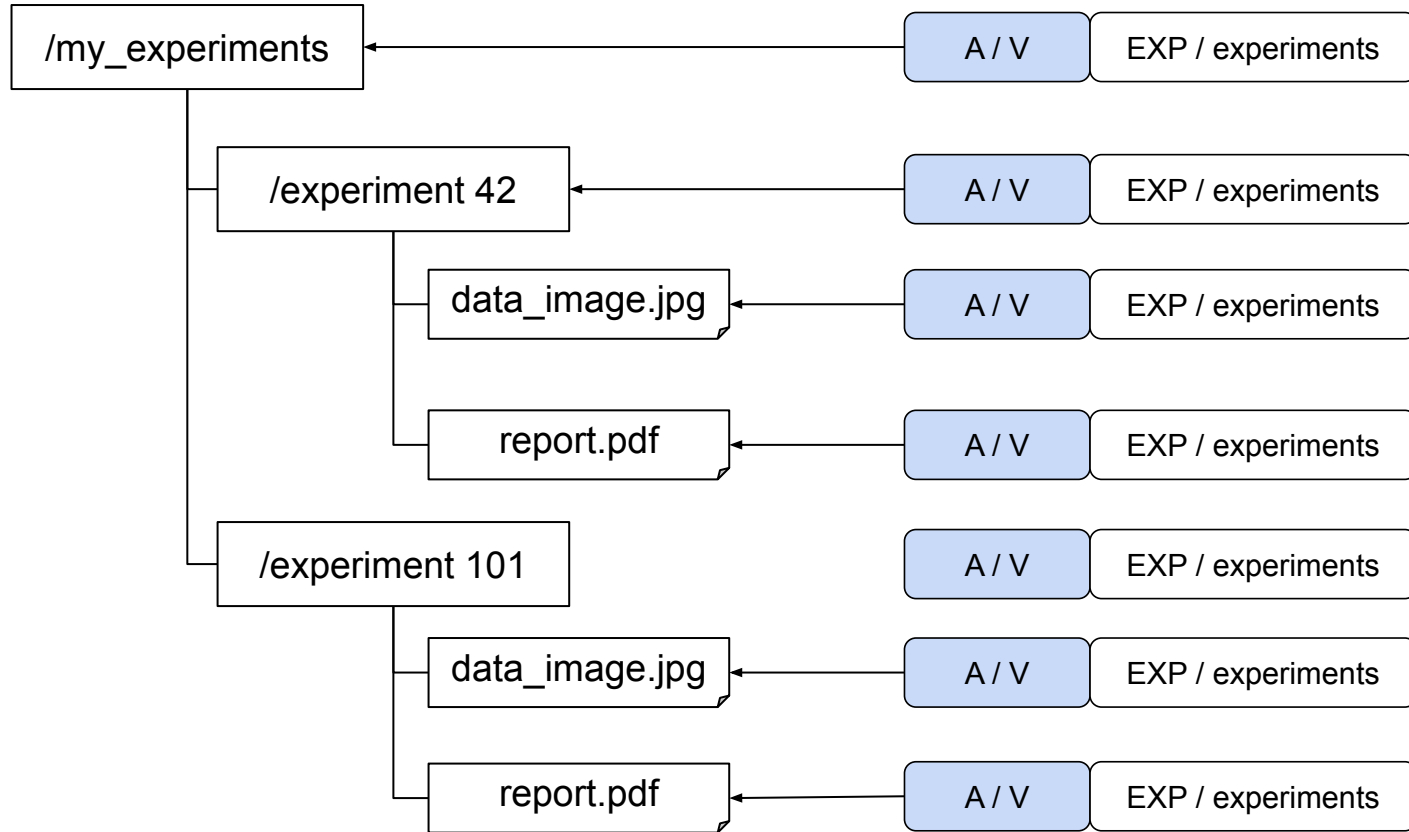
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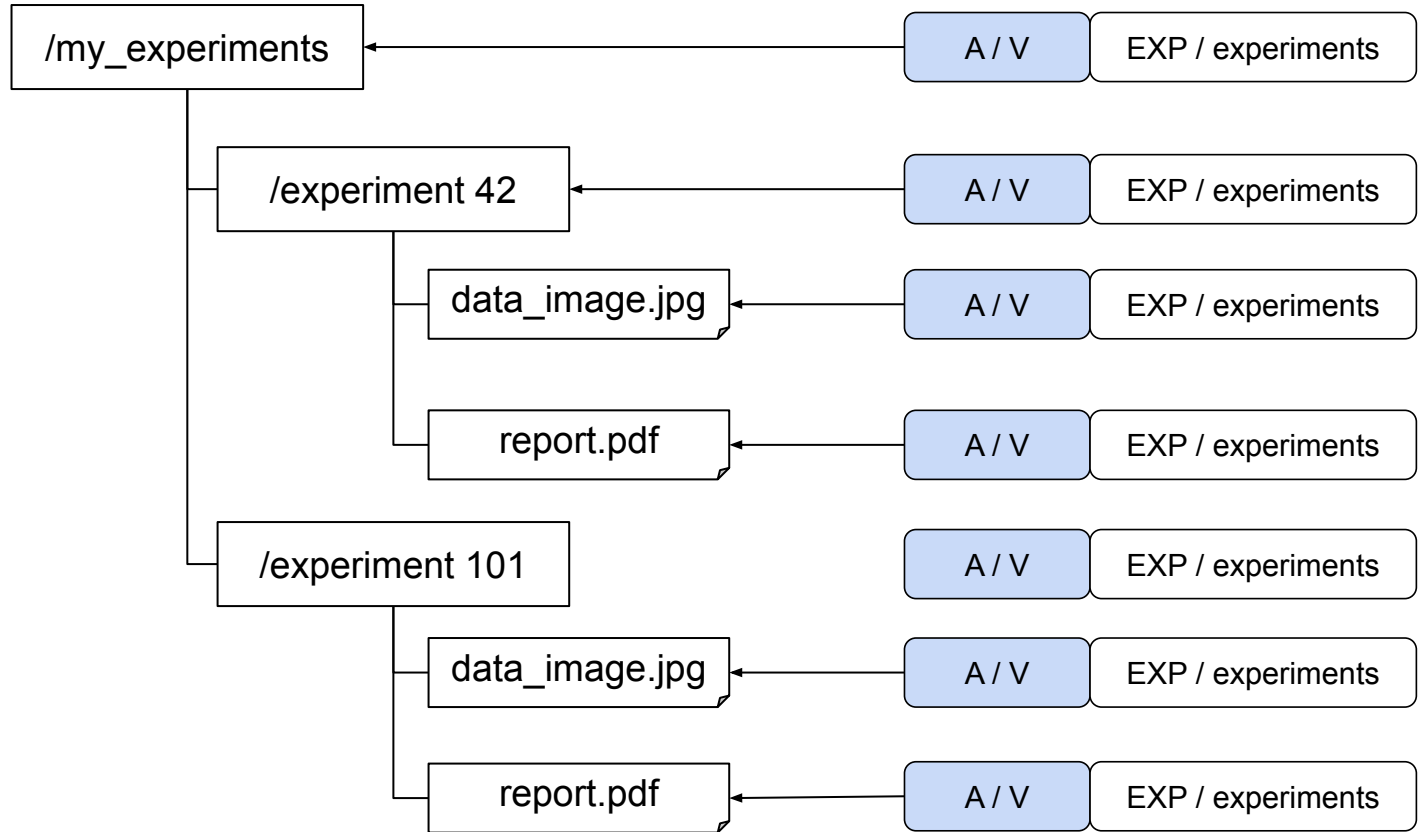
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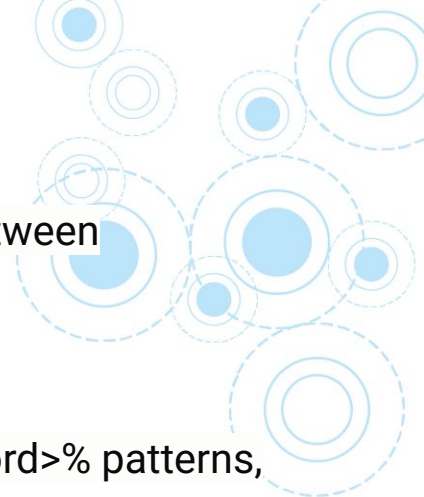
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Introduction: iRODS AVUs



Duplication of the metadata keys / values

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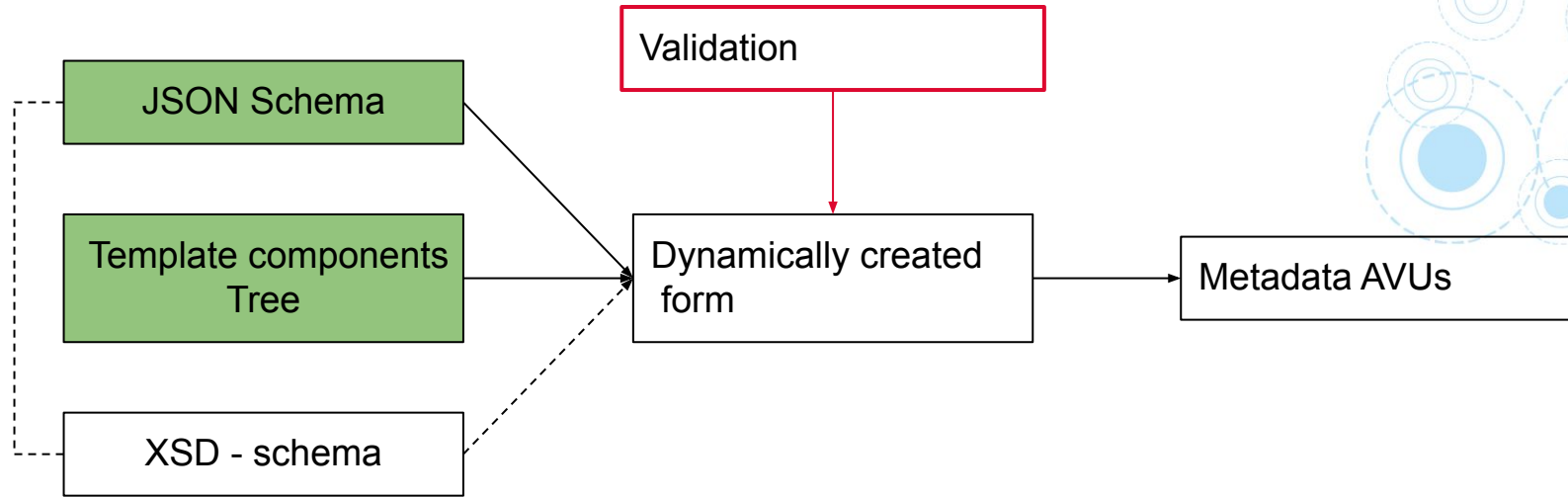
- AVUs (attribute-value-unit) are flat — no hierarchy, no relationships between metadata entries
- Object AVUs relation is 1-to-1
- No schema validation — values are untyped free text
- Searches across many collections /data objects especially with %<word>% patterns, are slow
- Problem of the metadata template for large collections:
 - data duplication when tagging all sub-collections and data objects
 - a single metadata change must be propagated to every object that carries that key



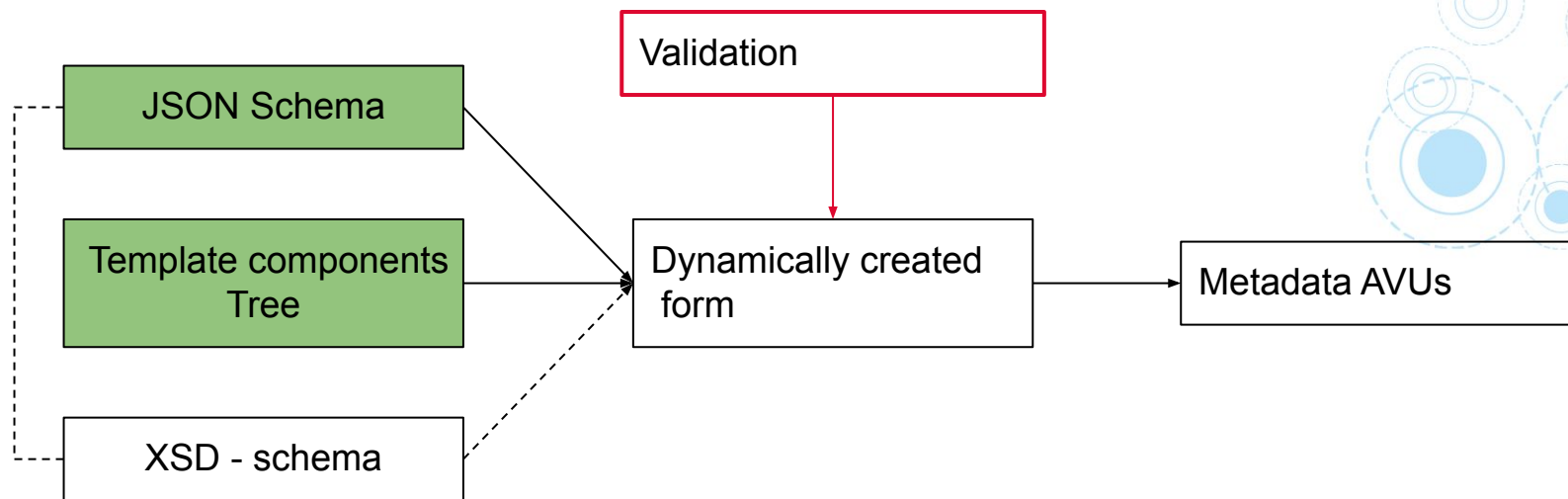
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If template AVUs are on collections, then each sub-collection and data object is logically tagged with template metadata.

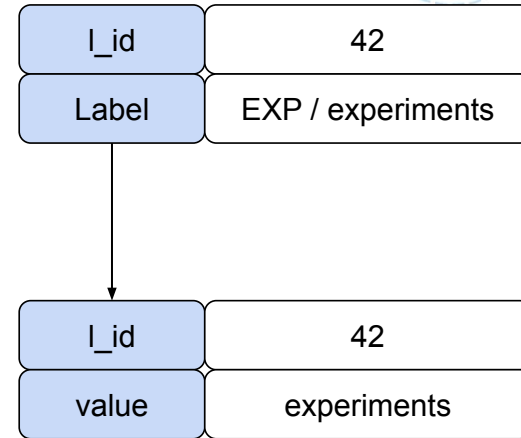
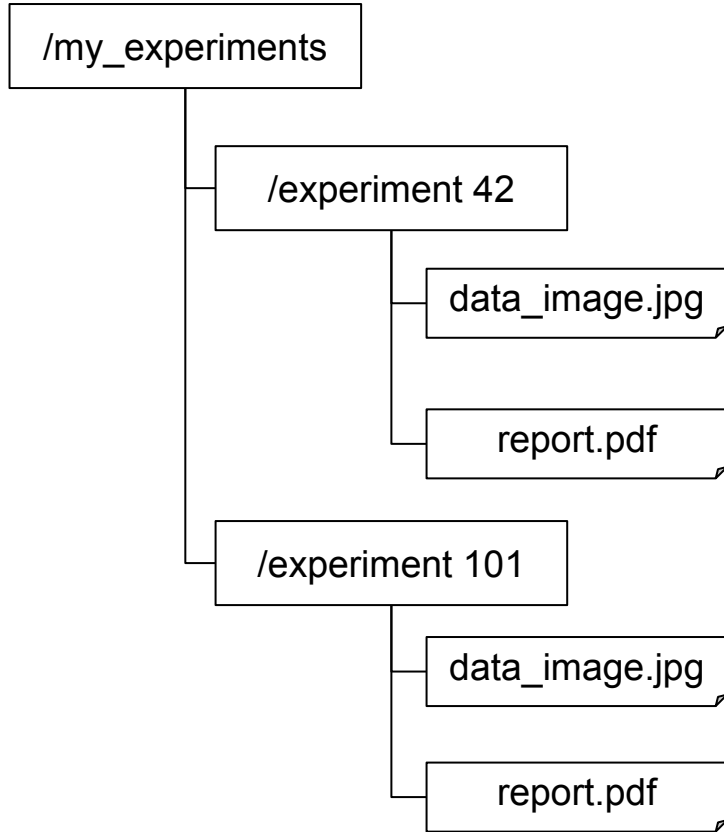
GUI data search processes this with a special call, but CLI tools and iRODS clients cannot do this automatically



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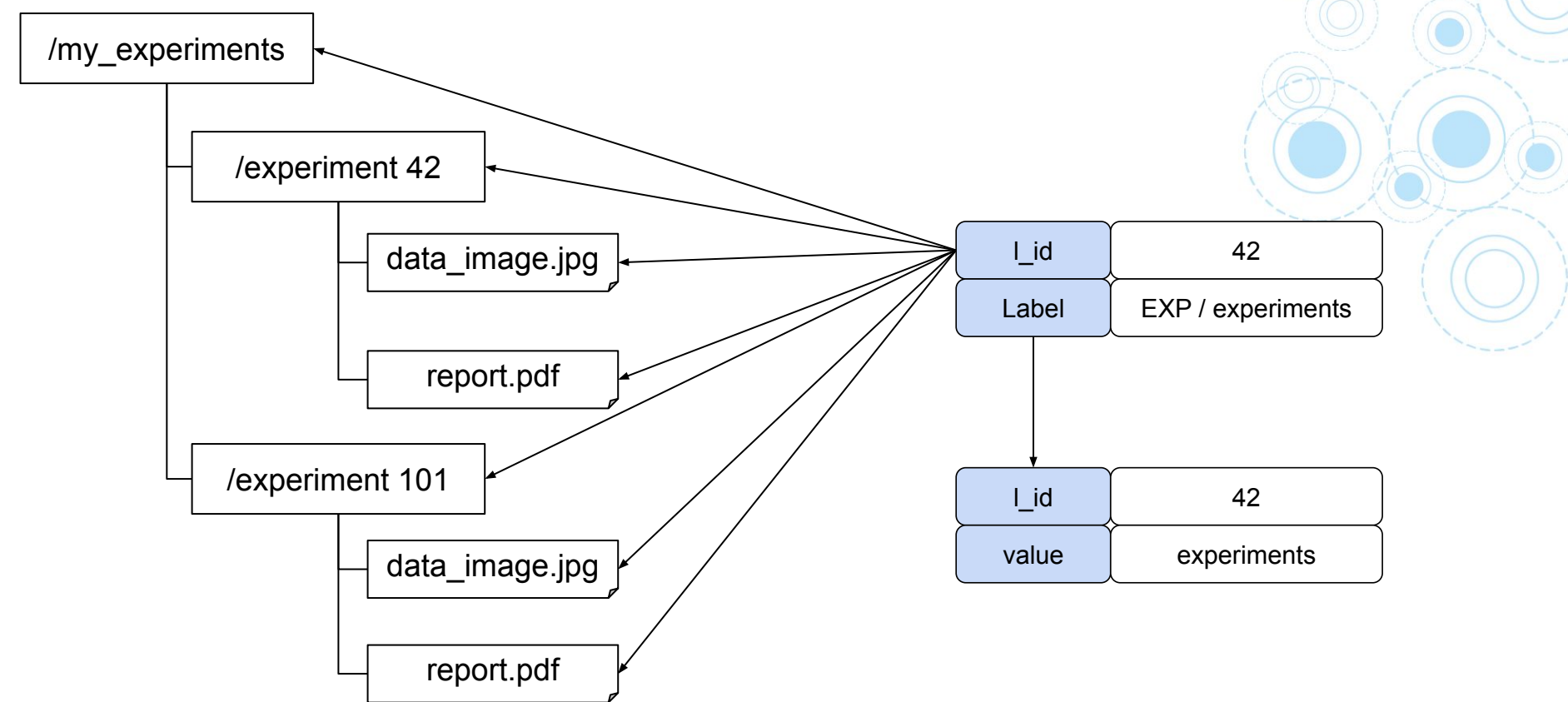
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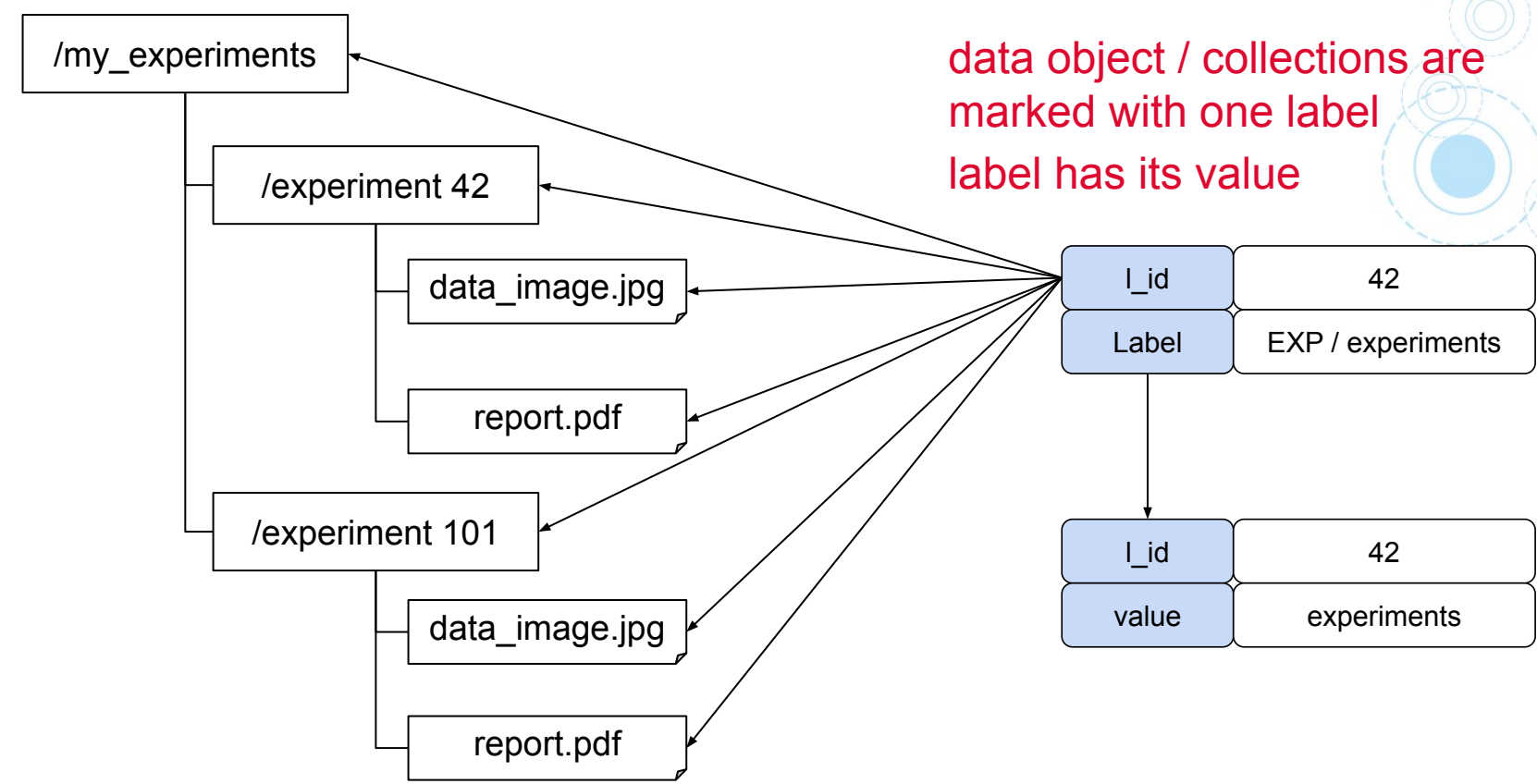
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iRODS Labels Architecture & Implementation



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iRODS Labels Architecture & Implementation



- Labels are a new metadata type that lives alongside AVUs
- A label has a name, optional description, and an optional value for validation
- Labels can build a tree — every label can have a parent label
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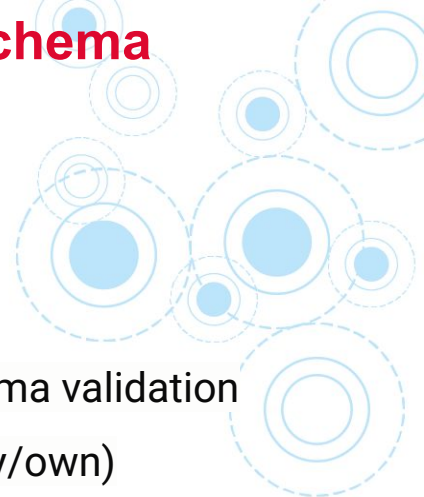
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-  **Claude AI**, Model: Sonnet 4.6 - project assistant



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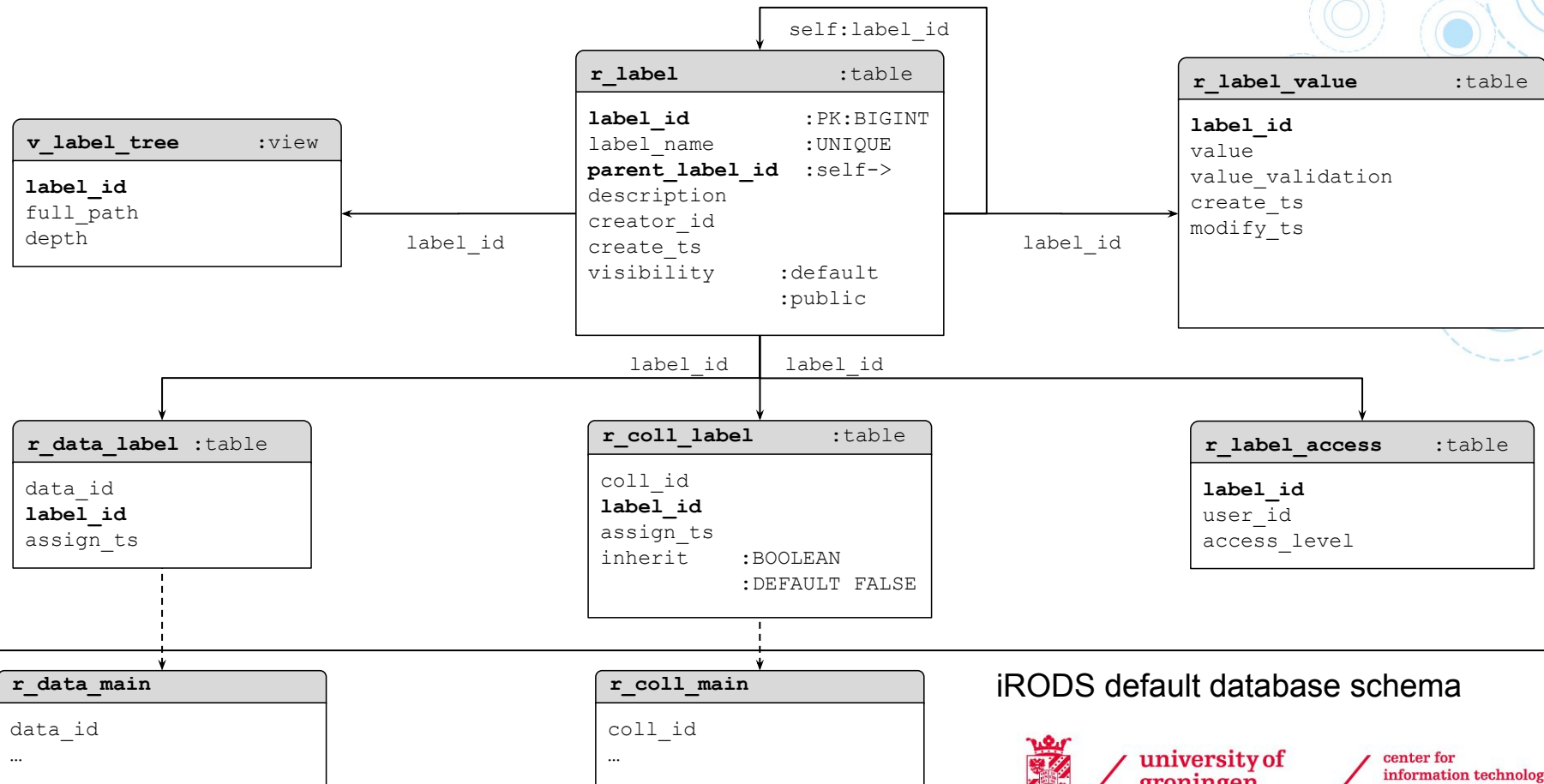
iRODS Labels Architecture & Implementation: Database Schema



- New tables in the iRODS catalog (ICAT_DB):
 - r_label — label definitions; name, parent, **visibility**
 - r_label_value — one value payload per label; optional JSON Schema validation
 - **r_label_access** — per-label ACL; user + access level (read/modify/own)
 - r_data_label — attaches labels to data objects
 - r_coll_label — attaches labels to collections; includes inherit flag
- No foreign keys by design — consistency maintained by explicit hooks in **db_plugin.cpp (!!!)**, following the iRODS catalog convention.



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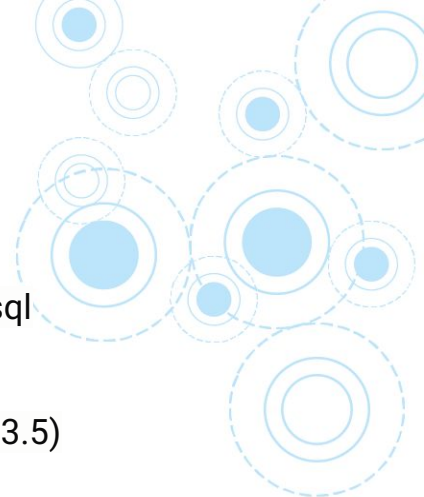
iRODS default database schema



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iRODS Labels Architecture & Implementation: Software



- **Platform**
 - OS Ubuntu 22.04 LTS (jammy)
 - VM **Vagrant** + VirtualBox (ubuntu/jammy64)
 - Database PostgreSQL 14 (system package) · ODBC via odbc-postgresql
- **iRODS**
 - Version **4.3.5** — compiled from source (github.com/irods/irods, tag 4.3.5)
 - Build dir /opt/irods-src → /opt/irods-build
 - Plugin build /opt/irods-labels-build
- **Compiler & Build Tool**
 - Compiler Clang 13.0.1 (from irods-externals, not system clang)
 - C++ standard C++20
 - CMake 3.21.4 (from irods-externals)
 - All compilation uses the irods-externals toolchain to guarantee ABI compatibility with libirods_client.so and libirods_server.so.



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Dependencies (all from `irods-externals`)

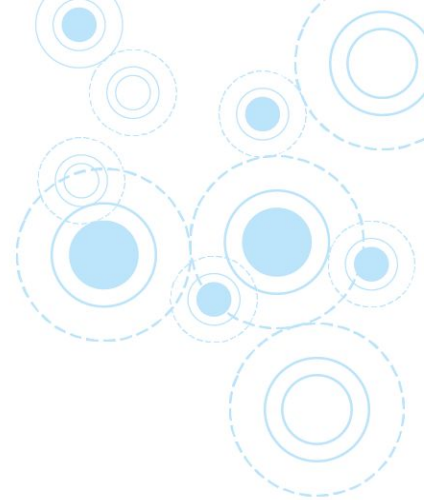
Library	Version	Role
Boost	1.81.0	Filesystem, program_options, thread
fmt	8.1.1	String formatting
nlohmann/json	3.10.4	JSON transport payload
nanodbc	2.13.0	C++ ODBC wrapper for catalog SQL
spdlog	1.9.2	Logging
ZeroMQ	4.1.8	iRODS message bus
cppzmq	4.8.1	ZeroMQ C++ bindings
Avro	1.11.0	iRODS serialisation
Catch2	2.13.8	Unit testing framework
Clang RT	13.0.1	Runtime library (<code>libc++</code>)



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iRODS Labels Architecture & Implementation: Software



Python Client

- Runtime : Python 3.10 (Ubuntu 22.04 system)
- iRODS binding : python-irodsclient (latest via pip)
- Schema validation : python3-jsonschema
- DB introspection : python3-pyodbc

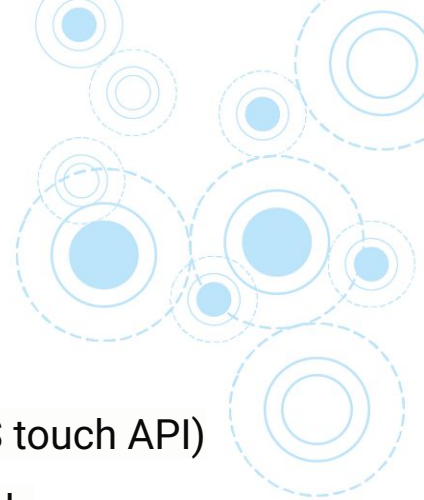
Docker image/container build that re-uses Vagrant configuration scripts to build the iRODS Labels test container



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- Implemented as an iRODS server plugin
- Plugin registered as API number 20100
- Transport layer: JSON over bytesBuf_t (same pattern as built-in iRODS touch API)
- All SQL executes server-side via nanodbc – clients make RPC calls only
- The iRODS source is patched to extend GenQuery with label columns and lifecycle hooks

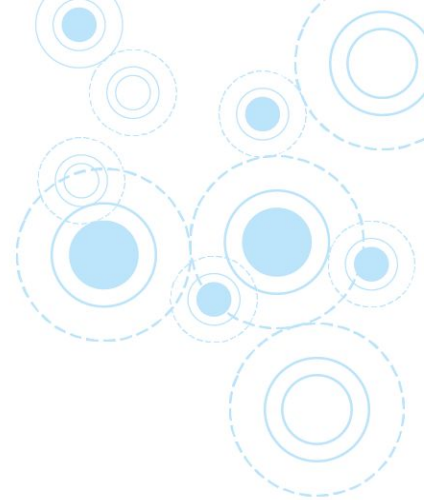


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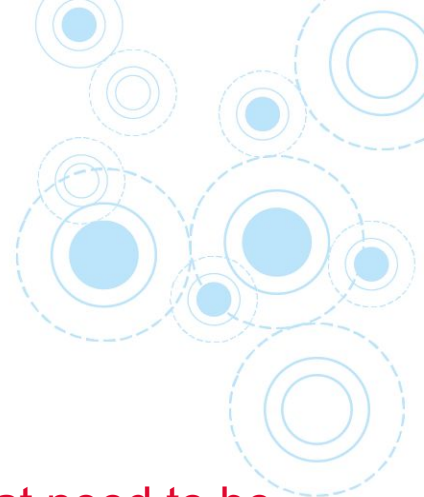
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iRODS core files that need to be modified for the iRODS Labels plugin



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```

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  ▼ ilabel
    CMakeLists.txt
    ilabel.cpp
    irods_label_api_plugin.cpp
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    label_ops.h
    labels_server.cpp
    labels_server.hpp
  ▼ python
    irods_labels.py
    irods_labels_native.py
  ▼ sql
    50_create_labels.sql
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iRODS Labels custom files
including ilabel cli tool



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API Registration

`plugins/api/include/irods/plugins/api/api_plugin_number_data.h`

Registers API slot #20100 for the label RPC

GenQuery v1 (iquest)

`lib/core/include/irods/rodsGenQueryNames.h`

Adds LABEL_* column name string constants

`plugins/database/src/general_query_setup.cpp`

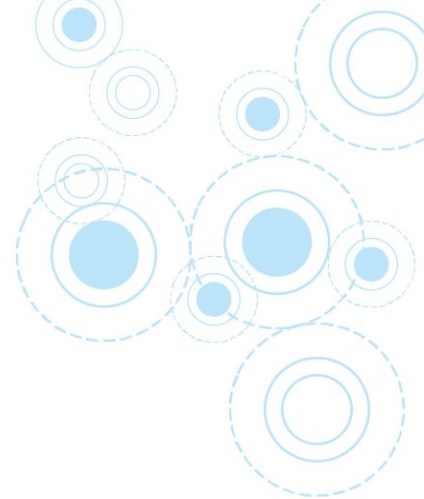
Registers sTable / sColumn / sFklink entries for label tables

`plugins/database/src/general_query.cpp`

genqAppendAccessCheck() ~L1649: injects visibility ACL WHERE clause for private labels on every label-touching query

`server/icat/src/icatGeneralQuerySetup.cpp`

Wires label columns into the iCAT query engine setup



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GenQuery v2 (iquery)

`server/genquery2/include/irods/private/genquery2_table_column_mappings.hpp`

Maps label column IDs 11000–11032 to table.column

`server/genquery2/src/genquery2_sql.cpp`

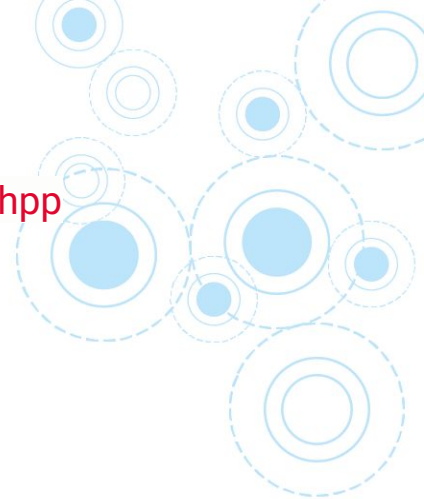
Adds r_label join logic for v2 SQL generation*

Catalog Lifecycle Hooks

`plugins/database/src/db_plugin.cpp`

Handles major data consistency intervention across the object lifecycle

(create / delete / update).



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plugins/database/src/general_query_setup.cpp

```
/* Labels plugin - table registrations */  
sTable( "R_LABEL",          "R_LABEL",          0 );  
sTable( "R_LABEL_VALUE",    "R_LABEL_VALUE", 0 );  
sTable( "R_DATA_LABEL",     "R_DATA_LABEL",  0 );  sTable( "R_COLL_LABEL",    "R_COLL_LABEL",  0 );
```

```
/* Labels plugin - column mappings (COL_LABEL * defined in irods/label_ops.h) */  
sColumn( COL_LABEL_ID,          "R_LABEL",          "label_id" );  
sColumn( COL_LABEL_NAME,       "R_LABEL",          "label_name" );  
sColumn( COL_LABEL_DESCRIPTION, "R_LABEL",          "label_description" );  
sColumn( COL_LABEL_CREATOR_ID,  "R_LABEL",          "creator_id" );  
sColumn( COL_LABEL_CREATE_TS,   "R_LABEL",          "create_ts" );  
sColumn( COL_LABEL_PARENT_ID,   "R_LABEL",          "parent_label_id" );  
  
sColumn( COL_LABEL_VALUE,       "R_LABEL_VALUE",    "value" );  
sColumn( COL_LABEL_VALUE_MODIFY_TS, "R_LABEL_VALUE",    "modify_ts" );  
  
sColumn( COL_DATA_LABEL_DATA_ID, "R_DATA_LABEL",     "data_id" );  
sColumn( COL_DATA_LABEL_LABEL_ID, "R_DATA_LABEL",     "label_id" );  
sColumn( COL_DATA_LABEL_ASSIGN_TS, "R_DATA_LABEL",     "assign_ts" );  
  
sColumn( COL_COLL_LABEL_COLL_ID, "R_COLL_LABEL",     "coll_id" );  
sColumn( COL_COLL_LABEL_LABEL_ID, "R_COLL_LABEL",     "label_id" );  
sColumn( COL_COLL_LABEL_ASSIGN_TS, "R_COLL_LABEL",     "assign_ts" );
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[irods-src/lib/core/include/irods/rodsGenQueryNames.h](#)

```
{ COL_LABEL_ID,           "LABEL_ID"           },
{ COL_LABEL_NAME,         "LABEL_NAME"         },
{ COL_LABEL_DESCRIPTION,  "LABEL_DESCRIPTION"   },
{ COL_LABEL_CREATOR_ID,   "LABEL_CREATOR_ID"   },
{ COL_LABEL_CREATE_TS,    "LABEL_CREATE_TS"    },
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{ COL_DATA_LABEL_LABEL_ID, "DATA_LABEL_LABEL_ID" },
{ COL_DATA_LABEL_ASSIGN_TS, "DATA_LABEL_ASSIGN_TS",
{ COL_COLL_LABEL_COLL_ID,  "COLL_LABEL_COLL_ID" },
{ COL_COLL_LABEL_LABEL_ID, "COLL_LABEL_LABEL_ID" },
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```



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irods-src/server/genquery2/src/genquery2_sql.cpp

```
// Labels plugin tables (irods labels_plugin)
```

```
"R_LABEL",                // 20
"R_LABEL_VALUE",          // 21
"R_DATA_LABEL",           // 22
"R_COLL_LABEL",           // 23
```

```
// Labels plugin FK edges (irods labels_plugin)
```

```
{to_index("R_LABEL"),      to_index("R_LABEL_VALUE")},
{to_index("R_LABEL"),      to_index("R_DATA_LABEL")},
{to_index("R_LABEL"),      to_index("R_COLL_LABEL")},
{to_index("R_DATA_LABEL"), to_index("R_DATA_MAIN")},
{to_index("R_COLL_LABEL"), to_index("R_COLL_MAIN")},
```

```
// Labels plugin join conditions (irods labels_plugin)
```

```
{"{}.label_id = {}.label_id", 20}, // R_LABEL <-> R_LABEL_VALUE
{"{}.label_id = {}.label_id", 21}, // R_LABEL <-> R_DATA_LABEL
{"{}.label_id = {}.label_id", 22}, // R_LABEL <-> R_COLL_LABEL
{"{}.data_id = {}.data_id", 23},  // R_DATA_LABEL <-> R_DATA_MAIN
{"{}.coll_id = {}.coll_id", 24},  // R_COLL_LABEL <-> R_COLL_MAIN
```



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There is a key architectural question on how to implement consistency when a label is set with inherit=TRUE.

Actions:

- new data objects/collections are added under the folder with the label + inheritance=True. Thus, a label should be added into r_coll_label/r_data_label
- data objects/collections are removed from the collection.

There are two options:

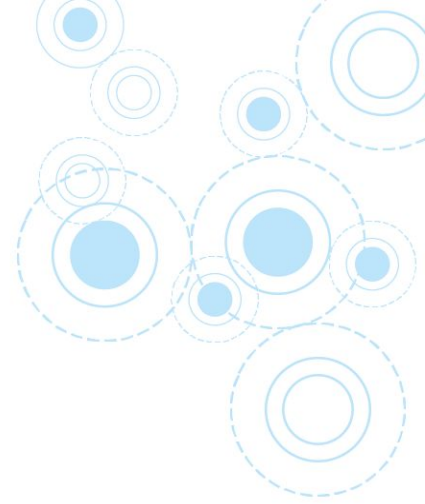
1. use the same logic as currently in iRODS, then db_plugin needs to be patched
2. ON DELETE CASCADE at the database level, with foreign keys



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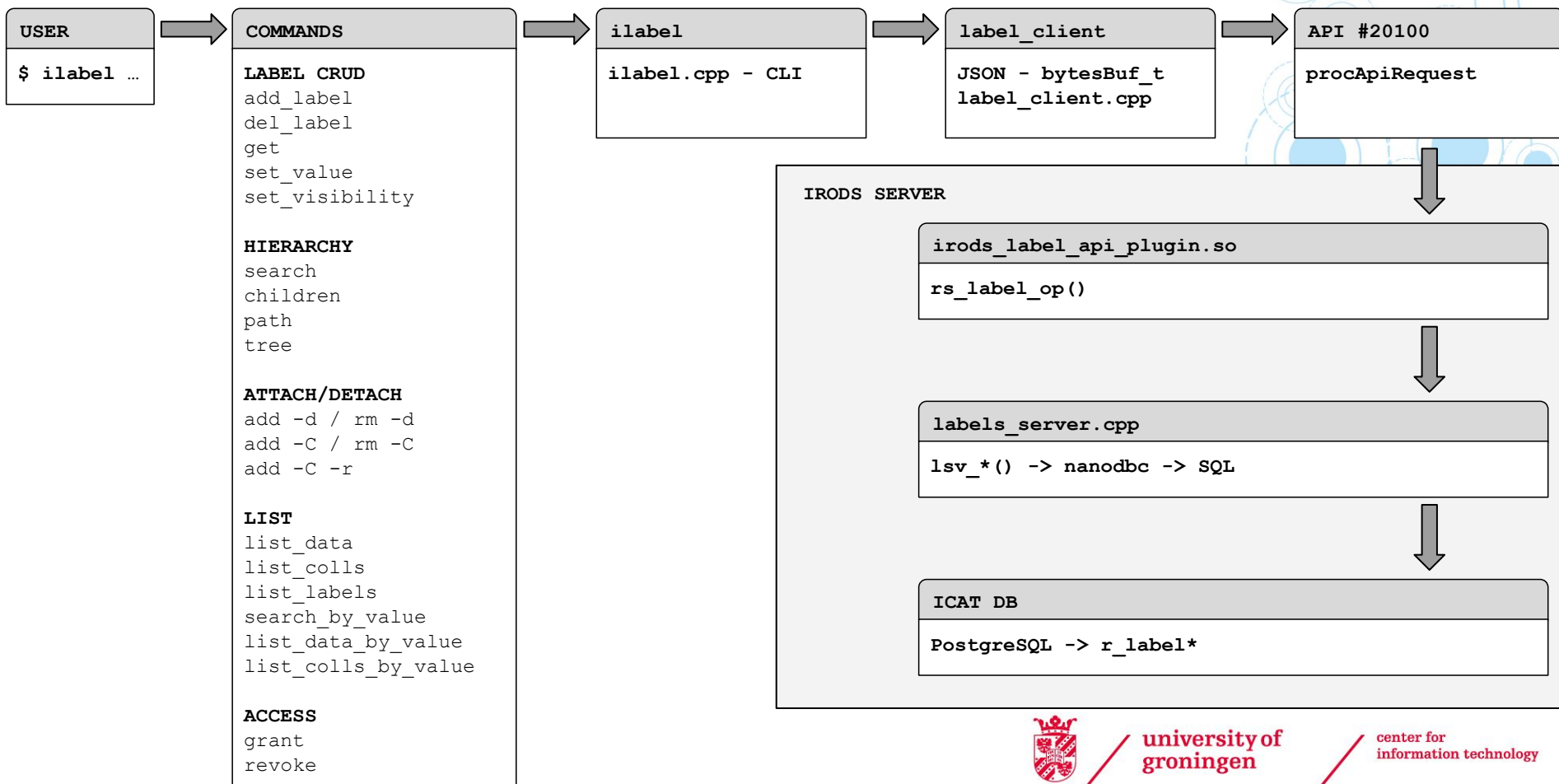


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- **ilabel** is an extra icommand tool similar to the standard iRODS icommands – it is designed to be installed alongside iput, iget, imeta, and other built-in tools. It follows iRODS conventions: reads ~/.irods/irods_environment.json, uses the current iRODS session, and exits with standard return codes.
- Design: zero SQL – every operation is an RPC call to API #20100 on the server. The only client-side logic is resolving iRODS paths to object IDs via GenQuery before dispatching.





ilabel: commands

Create

```
ilabel add_label project/2026 "Q1 experiment data"
ilabel add_label --parent project/2026 project/2026/raw "raw files"
ilabel add_label myLabel --visibility private
```

Inspect

<i>ilabel get</i>	<i>project/2026</i>	<i># name, description, value, schema, timestamps</i>
<i>ilabel search</i>	<i>project/</i>	<i># all labels matching prefix</i>
<i>ilabel children</i>	<i>project/2026</i>	<i># direct children in the hierarchy</i>
<i>ilabel path</i>	<i>project/2026/raw</i>	<i># full path from root</i>
<i>ilabel tree</i>	<i>project/</i>	<i># entire subtree</i>

Mutate

```
ilabel set_visibility project/2026 private
ilabel set_value project/2026 '{"status":"active"}' --validation '{"type":"object"}'
ilabel del_label project/2026          # cascade-deletes all attachments and ACL rows
```



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ilabel: commands

What objects carry a given label?

```
ilabel list_data project/2026          # data objects
ilabel list_colls project/2026         # collections
ilabel list_data_by_value %active%     # data objects by value fragment
ilabel list_colls_by_value %active%    # collections by value fragment
```

What labels are on a given object?

```
ilabel list_labels -d /zone/home/user/data.csv
ilabel list_labels -C /zone/home/user/experiments
ilabel search_by_value %active%        # labels whose value matches fragment
```

Access control

```
ilabel grant project/2026 alice tempZone read
ilabel grant project/2026 alice tempZone write
ilabel grant project/2026 alice tempZone own
ilabel revoke project/2026 alice tempZone
```



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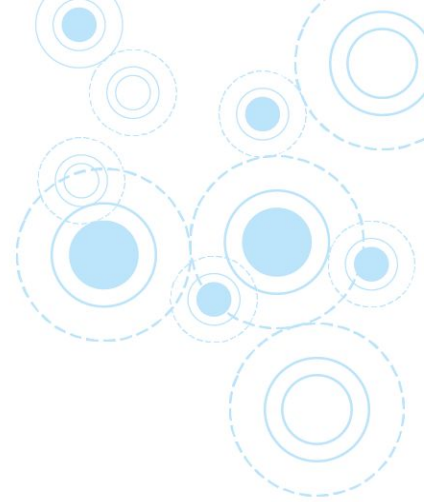
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ilabel: commands

Flag	Applies to	Meaning
<code>--visibility private public</code>	<code>add_label</code>	Controls name discovery via GenQuery
<code>--parent <name></code>	<code>add_label</code>	Places label in the hierarchy
<code>--validation <json></code>	<code>set_value</code>	Stores a JSON Schema alongside the value
<code>-d</code>	<code>add, rm, list_labels</code>	Target is a data object
<code>-C</code>	<code>add, rm, list_labels</code>	Target is a collection
<code>-r</code>	<code>add -C, rm -C</code>	Recursive — sets <code>inherit=TRUE</code> on <code>r_coll_label</code>



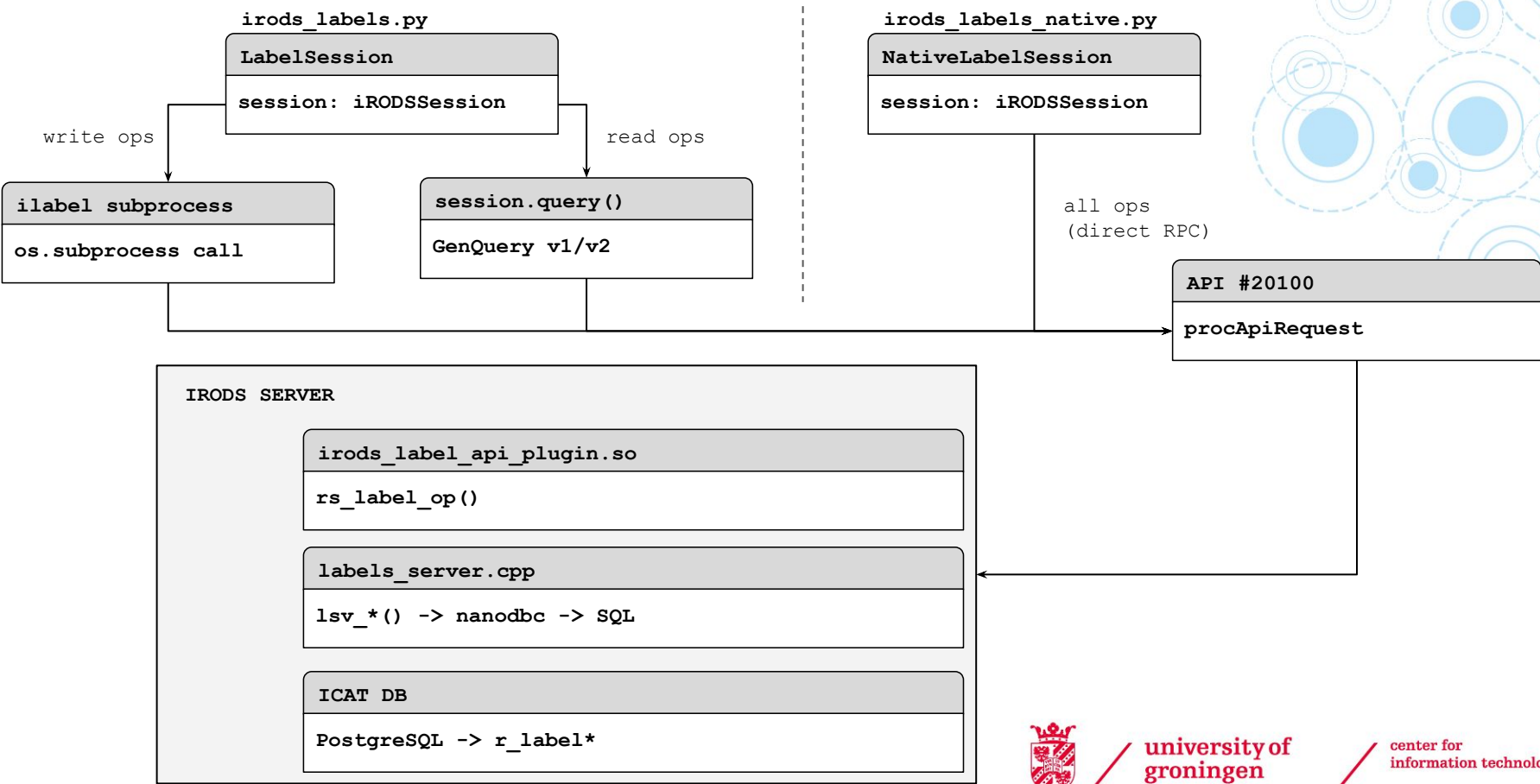
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Two implementations, identical public API

LabelSession – irods_labels.py:

- Write ops → ilabel subprocess → API #20100 → labels_server.cpp SQL
- Read ops → session.query() → GenQuery v1/v2 → ICAT_DB

NativeLabelSession – irods_labels_native.py

- All ops → API #20100 directly → labels_server.cpp SQL
- No subprocess, no GenQuery, no ilabel binary required on the client
- Path → ID resolution uses one lightweight session.query() call before attach/detach ops

```
from irods_labels import LabelSession
with LabelSession(session) as ls:
/
from irods_labels_native import NativeLabelSession
with NativeLabelSession(session) as ls:

    ls.add_label(
        "project/2026"
        , "Experiment data for Q1")
    ls.attach to data(
        "project/2026",
        "/zone/home/user/data.csv")
    ls.grant(
        "project/2026",
        "alice",
        "tempZone",
        "read")
    results = ls.list_data_by_label("project/2026")
```



iRODS Labels results and future suggestion

Result

- A new plugin that compiles successfully within iRODS core
- Labels provide additional functionality for tagging and data management within iRODS
- iRODS Labels is not a replacement but rather an addition to the existing AVUs mechanism that has its own great value and purpose

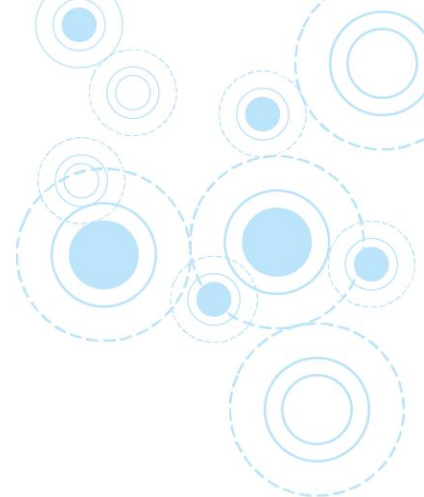
Future

- Integration into the iRODS core to avoid custom compilation?
- Adding MySQL and Oracle databases support
- db_plugin verification for locks or FK integration instead
- Cross-tree references - one label with multiple parent labels
- Label value versioning: very useful to preserve the history of template changes



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Example



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```
[vagrant@irods-labels-dev:~$ bash /vagrant/tests/demo_publication_label.sh
```

— Step 1: Create dataset: paper + presentation + src/ with plugin —

```
$ imkdir /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026
$ imkdir /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src
$ iput paper.pdf /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/
$ iput presentation.pptx /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/
$ iput plugin.tar.gz /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src/
✓ Created: /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/{paper.pdf, presentation.pptx, src/plugin.tar.gz}
```

— Step 2: Create publication label —

```
$ ilabel add_label publication/irods-labels-ugm2026 'Publication metadata – DataCite minimal schema'
✓ Label 'publication/irods-labels-ugm2026' created
```



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— Step 3: Set JSON value (DataCite metadata) + JSON Schema validation —

```
$ ilabel set_value publication/irods-labels-ugm2026 '<value>' --validation '<schema>'
```

Value:

```
{
  "title": "iRODS Labels: A Proposal for a Complementary Labeling Mechanism in iRODS",
  "creator": "A. Tsyganov",
  "resourceType": "Software",
  "publicationYear": "2026",
  "rights": "CC-BY-4.0",
  "subject": "iRODS, metadata, labels, data management, iRODS UGM 2026"
}
```

Validation schema:

```
{
  "type": "object",
  "required": ["title", "creator", "resourceType", "publicationYear", "rights"],
  "properties": {
    "title": { "type": "string" },
    "creator": { "type": "string" },
    "resourceType": { "type": "string", "enum": ["Dataset", "Software", "Collection"] },
    "publicationYear": { "type": "string", "pattern": "^[0-9]{4}$" },
    "rights": { "type": "string", "enum": ["CC-BY-4.0", "CC0-1.0", "CC-BY-SA-4.0"] },
    "subject": { "type": "string" }
  },
  "additionalProperties": false
}
```

✓ Metadata and validation schema stored on label 'publication/irods-labels-ugm2026'



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— Step 4: Attach label to dataset collection recursively (inherit=TRUE) —

```
$ ilabel add -C -r publication/irods-labels-ugm2026 /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026
✓ Label attached to /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026 and all children with inherit=TRUE
```

— Step 5: List all objects tagged with this label —

```
$ ilabel list_data publication/irods-labels-ugm2026
Data objects:
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/paper.pdf
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/presentation.pptx
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src/plugin.tar.gz
$ ilabel list_colls publication/irods-labels-ugm2026
Collections:
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src
```



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— Step 6: Inspect label – title, rights, validation schema —

```
$ ilabel get publication/irods-labels-ugm2026
name: publication/irods-labels-ugm2026
description: Publication metadata – DataCite minimal schema
creator_id: 10002
parent_id: 0
value: {
  "title":          "iRODS Labels: A Proposal for a Complementary Labeling Mechanism in iRODS",
  "creator":        "A. Tsyganov",
  "resourceType":   "Software",
  "publicationYear": "2026",
  "rights":         "CC-BY-4.0",
  "subject":        "iRODS, metadata, labels, data management, iRODS UGM 2026"
}
value_validation: {
  "type": "object",
  "required": ["title", "creator", "resourceType", "publicationYear", "rights"],
  "properties": {
    "title":      { "type": "string" },
    "creator":    { "type": "string" },
    "resourceType": { "type": "string", "enum": ["Dataset", "Software", "Collection"] },
    "publicationYear": { "type": "string", "pattern": "^[0-9]{4}$" },
    "rights":     { "type": "string", "enum": ["CC-BY-4.0", "CC0-1.0", "CC-BY-SA-4.0"] },
    "subject":    { "type": "string" }
  },
  "additionalProperties": false
}
create_ts: 0
modify_ts: 1782768132
```



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— Step 7: Search by value fragment: find all objects with rights=CC-BY-4.0 —

--- ilabel (CLI) ---

\$ ilabel list_data_by_value %CC-BY-4.0%

Data objects:

- /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/paper.pdf
- /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/presentation.pptx
- /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src/plugin.tar.gz

\$ ilabel list_colls_by_value %CC-BY-4.0%

Collections:

- /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026
- /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src

--- Python client (NativeLabelSession) ---

\$ python3 /vagrant/tests/search_by_label_value.py %CC-BY-4.0%

Data objects (value matches '%CC-BY-4.0%'):

- /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/paper.pdf
- /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/presentation.pptx
- /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src/plugin.tar.gz

Collections (value matches '%CC-BY-4.0%'):

- /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026
- /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src

Total: 3 data object(s), 2 collection(s)



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— Step 8: Update license: CC-BY-4.0 → CC0-1.0 (ONE command – all objects) —

```
$ ilabel set_value publication/irods-labels-ugm2026 '<updated: rights=CC0-1.0>'
✓ License updated – no per-file changes needed
```

— Step 9: Search again: all objects now found under CC0-1.0 —

--- ilabel (CLI) ---

```
$ ilabel list_data_by_value %CC0-1.0%
```

Data objects:

```
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/paper.pdf
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/presentation.pptx
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src/plugin.tar.gz
```

```
$ ilabel list_colls_by_value %CC0-1.0%
```

Collections:

```
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src
```

--- Python client (NativeLabelSession) ---

```
$ python3 /vagrant/tests/search_by_label_value.py %CC0-1.0%
```

Data objects (value matches '%CC0-1.0%'):

```
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/paper.pdf
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/presentation.pptx
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src/plugin.tar.gz
```

Collections (value matches '%CC0-1.0%'):

```
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026
/tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src
```

Total: 3 data object(s), 2 collection(s)

✓ Same objects found under CC0-1.0 – updated with a single 'ilabel set_value' command



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— Step 10: Add new file + new sub-collection – both inherit the label automatically —

```
$ iput tests.tar.gz /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src/
$ mkdir /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/docs
$ iput changelog.txt /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/docs/
$ ilabel list_labels -d /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src/tests.tar.gz
Labels on tests.tar.gz:
  publication/irods-labels-ugm2026 - Publication metadata - DataCite minimal schema
$ ilabel list_labels -C /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/docs
Labels on docs/:
  publication/irods-labels-ugm2026 - Publication metadata - DataCite minimal schema
✓ New file and collection inherited 'publication/irods-labels-ugm2026' automatically – no manual tagging needed
```

— Step 11: List by value again – new file and collection appear in results —

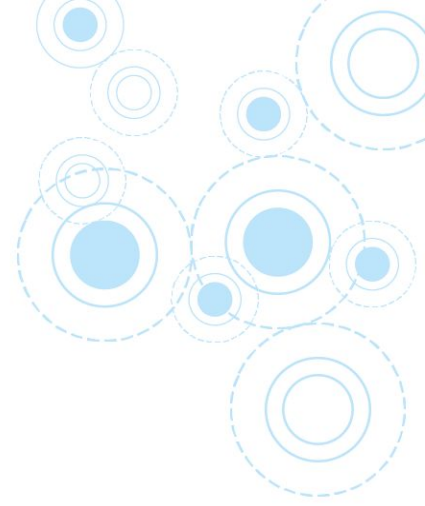
```
$ ilabel list_data_by_value %CC0-1.0%
Data objects (now includes tests.tar.gz and changelog.txt):
  /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src/tests.tar.gz
  /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src/plugin.tar.gz
  /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/paper.pdf
  /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/presentation.pptx
  /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/docs/changelog.txt
$ ilabel list_colls_by_value %CC0-1.0%
Collections (now includes docs/):
  /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/src
  /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026
  /tempZone/home/rods/irods-labels-ugm2026/docs
✓ All objects – including newly added ones – found via value search
```



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