

Manakin themes:

Customizing the look and feel of DSpace

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- ▶ Creating a new theme
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- ▶ Complex theme development

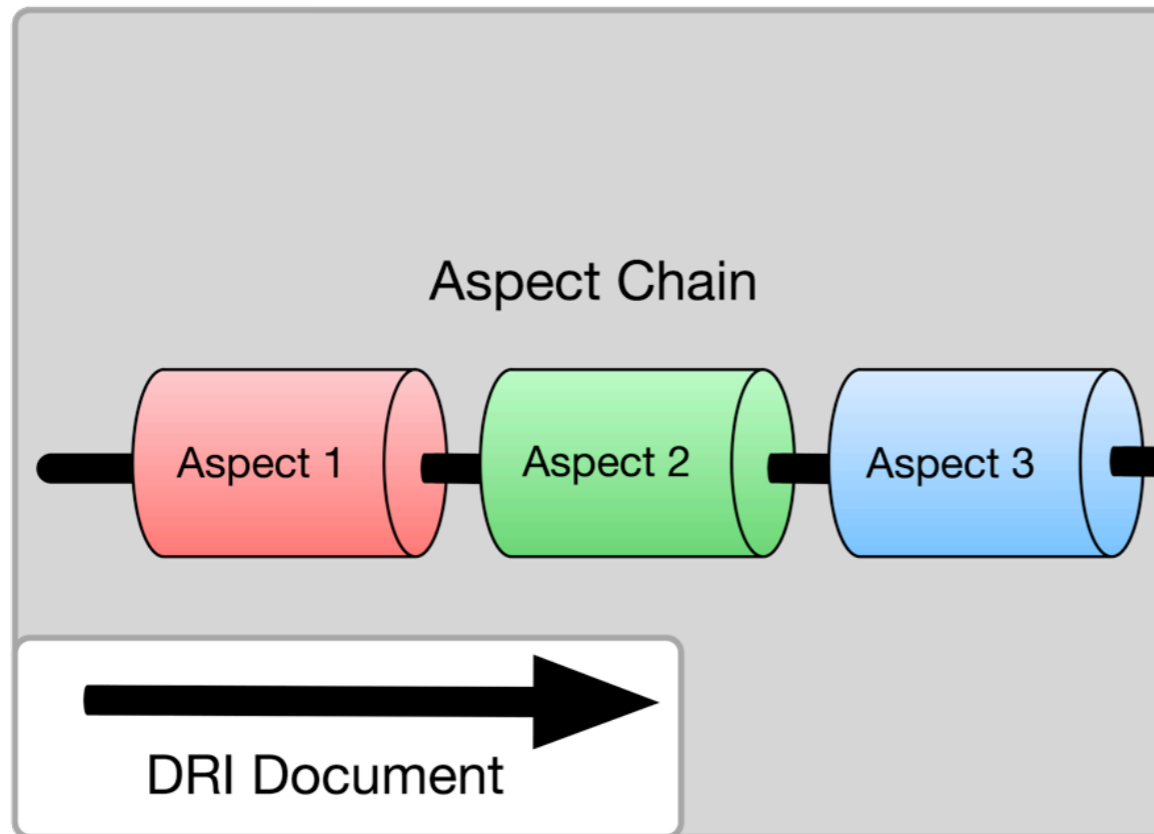
Overview and Theme Components



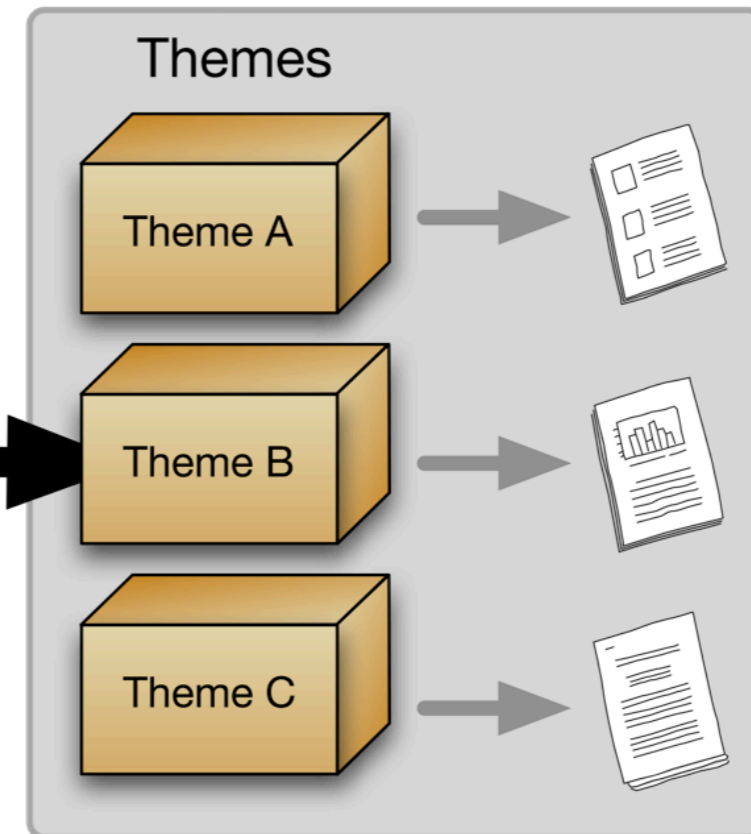
Review

- ▶ What is Manakin?
- ▶ What does Manakin do?
- ▶ How does Manakin do it?

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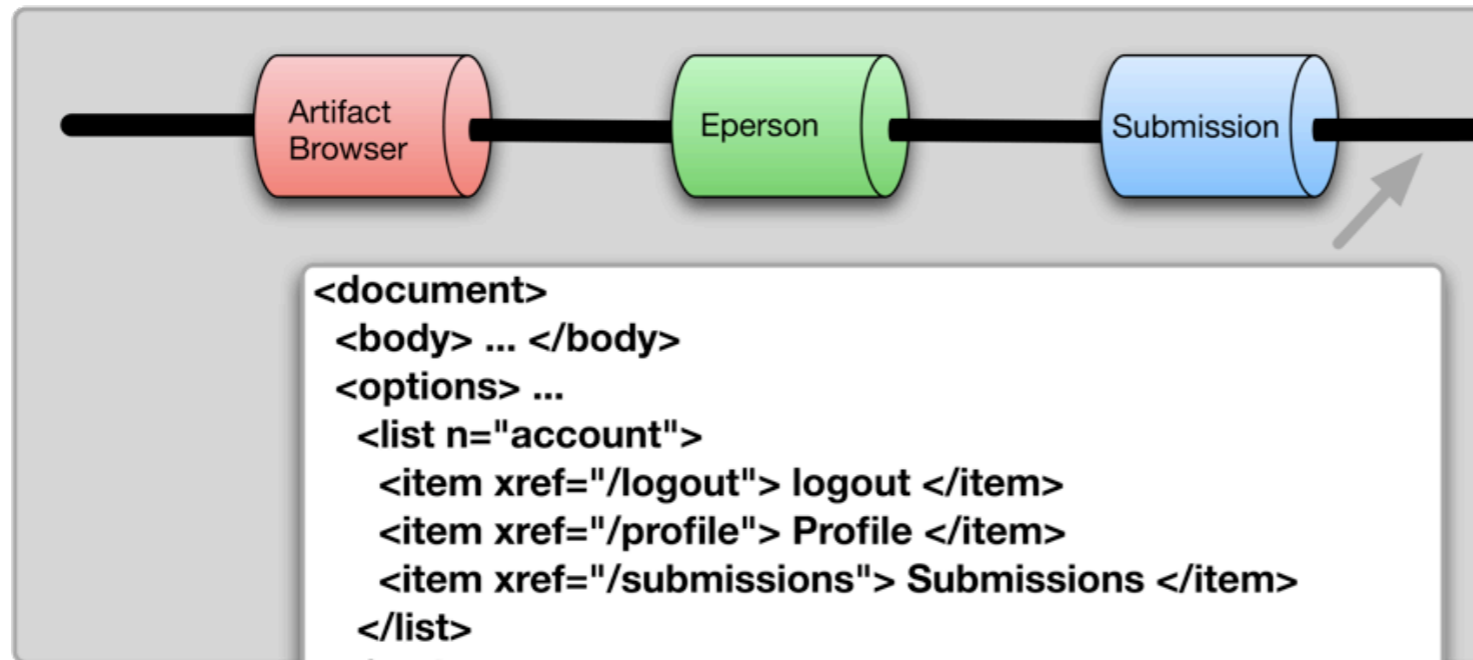


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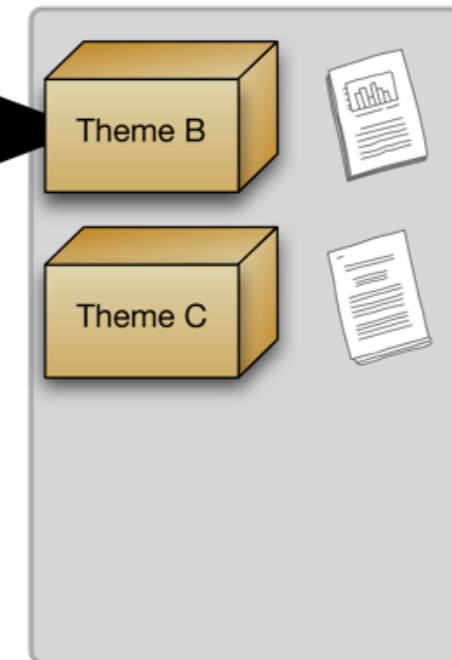
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Content Generation



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    <item xref="/submissions"> Submissions </item>
  </list>
</options>
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  <userMeta> ... </userMeta>
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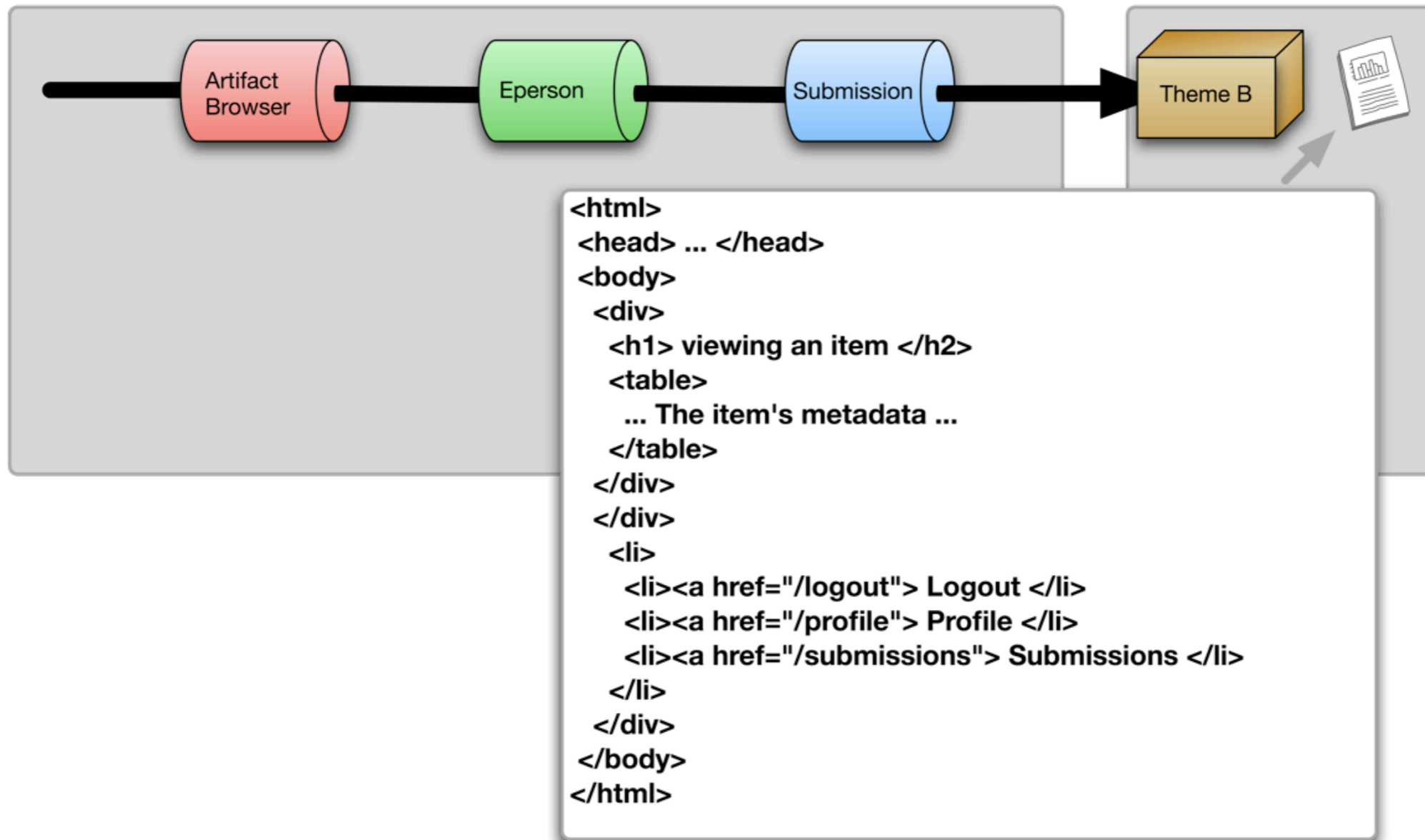
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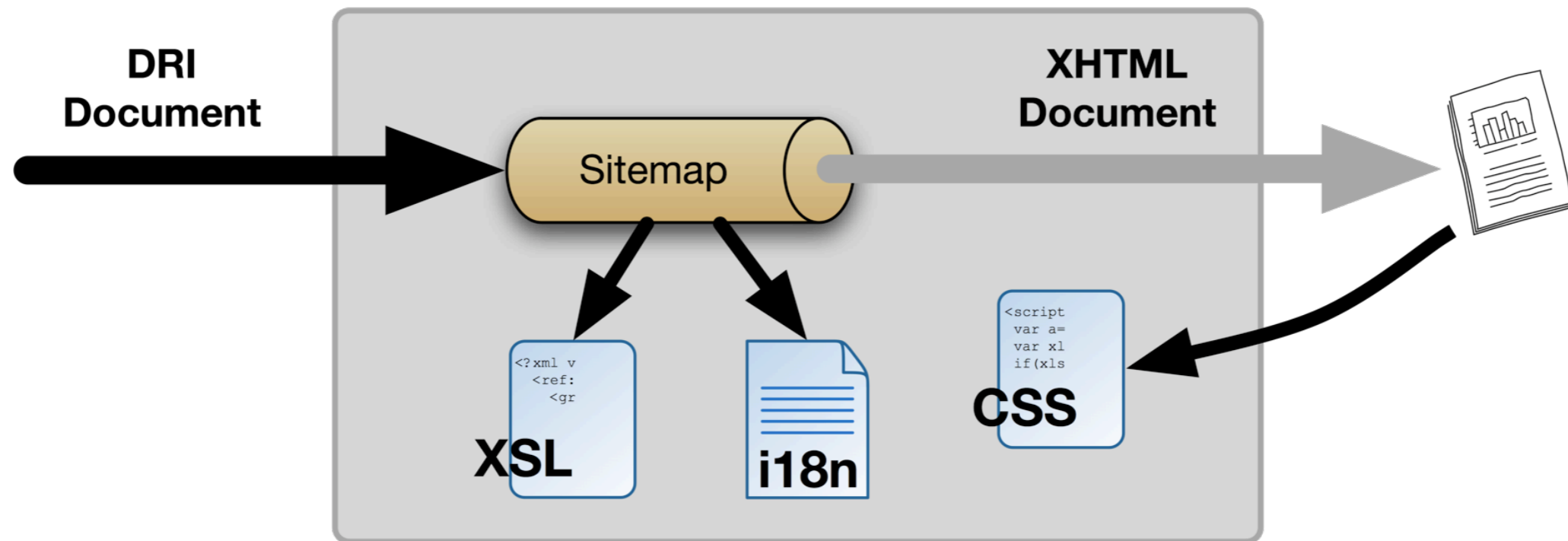
What does a theme do?

- ▶ Convert DRI to a more usable format
- ▶ Style the result

Theme components

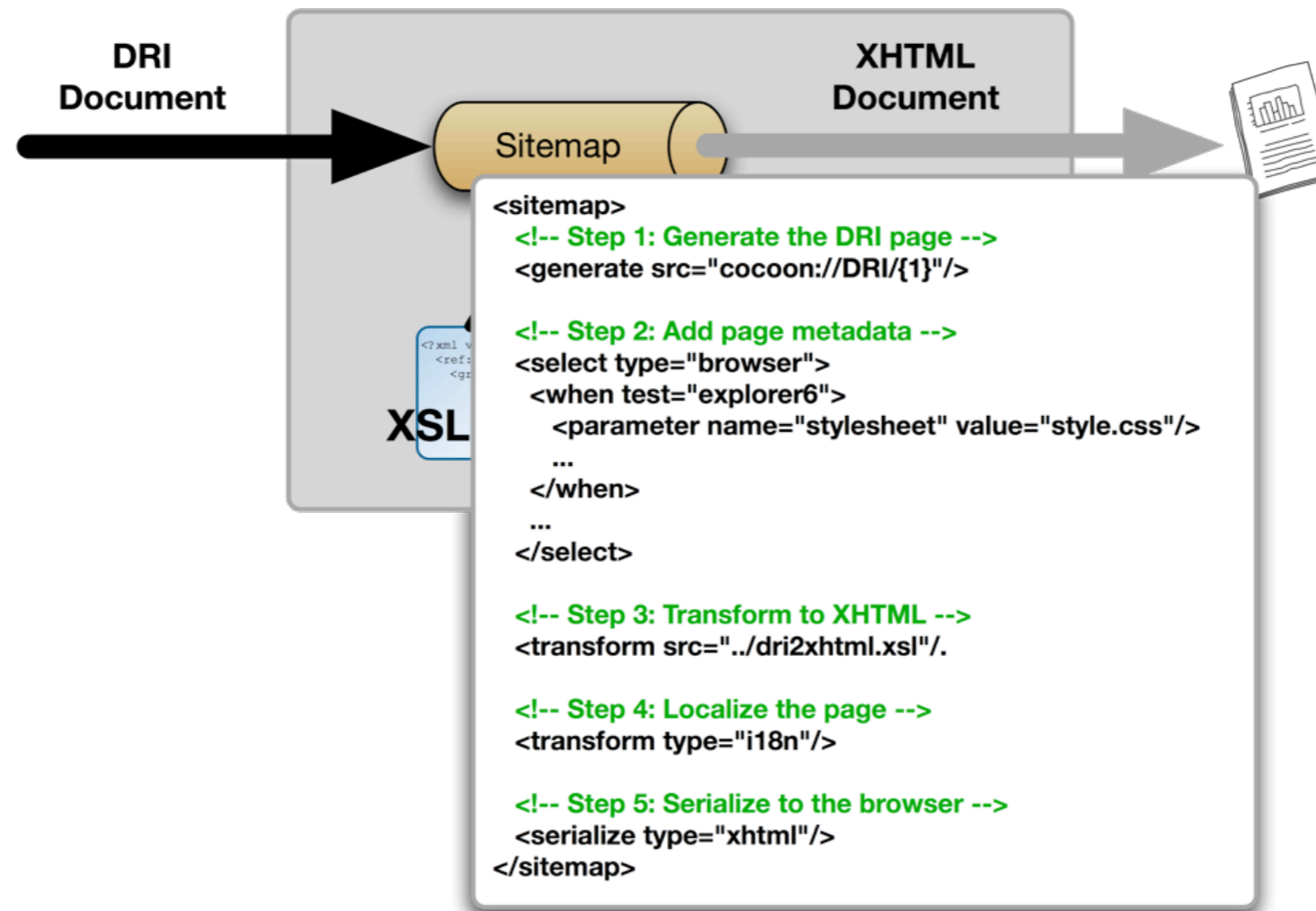
- ▶ Sitemap
 - The heart of a theme
 - A configuration file
 - References other components
- ▶ XSL
 - Converts DRI to HTML
- ▶ CSS
 - Styles the resulting HTML

Your Theme

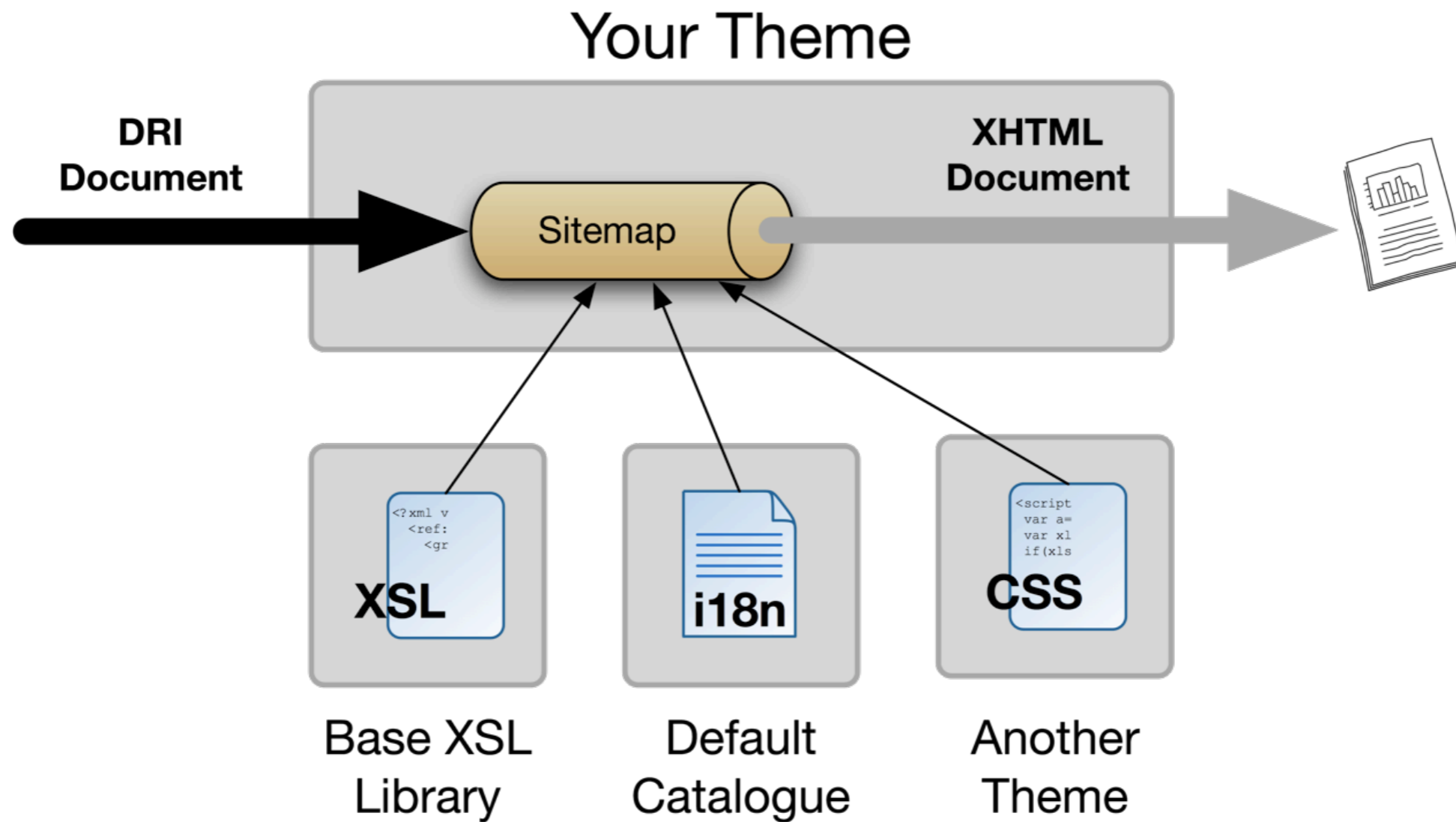


Providing your own components

Your Theme



Providing your own components



Referencing components from elsewhere

So what is a theme?

- ▶ A theme is a tool to convert from a DRI document to a user-readable format
 - *Uses XSL to convert from DRI XML to XHTML*
 - *Styles the result with CSS*
- ▶ The sitemap is the heart of a theme, referencing other components to actually perform the theme's task
 - *Those components are reusable*
 - *Some are provided for you*

Theme Creation

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How do you create a new theme?

- ▶ Create a new directory and sitemap
- ▶ Configure the sitemap and provide the necessary components
- ▶ Install the newly created theme

Create

- ▶ Locate the Themes directory
- ▶ Create the new directory and name it after your new theme
- ▶ Copy the contents of the template into your newly created theme directory

Configure

- ▶ Editing the <theme-path>
- ▶ The default template sitemap is configured to:
 - *use existing XSL*
 - *reference CSS files*
 - *internationalize the result using default settings*

Install

- ▶ The xmlui.xconf configuration file
- ▶ Theme settings
 - *Theme path*
 - *URL matching rules: regex, handle, or both*
 - *Theme name*

Documentation

▶ Theme creation tutorial

- www.di.tamu.edu/projects/xmlui/manakin/resources/ThemeTutorial.pdf
- *Also available from the Manakin source tree*

▶ Internal documentation

- *sitemap.xmap*
- *xmlui.xconf*

Results so far...

- ▶ Theme created and installed
- ▶ Default XSL used
- ▶ No styling applied

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Basic Theme Development

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Tiers review

1. Style Tier

- XHTML + CSS
 - Create simple themes
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2. Theme Tier

- XSL + XHTML + CSS
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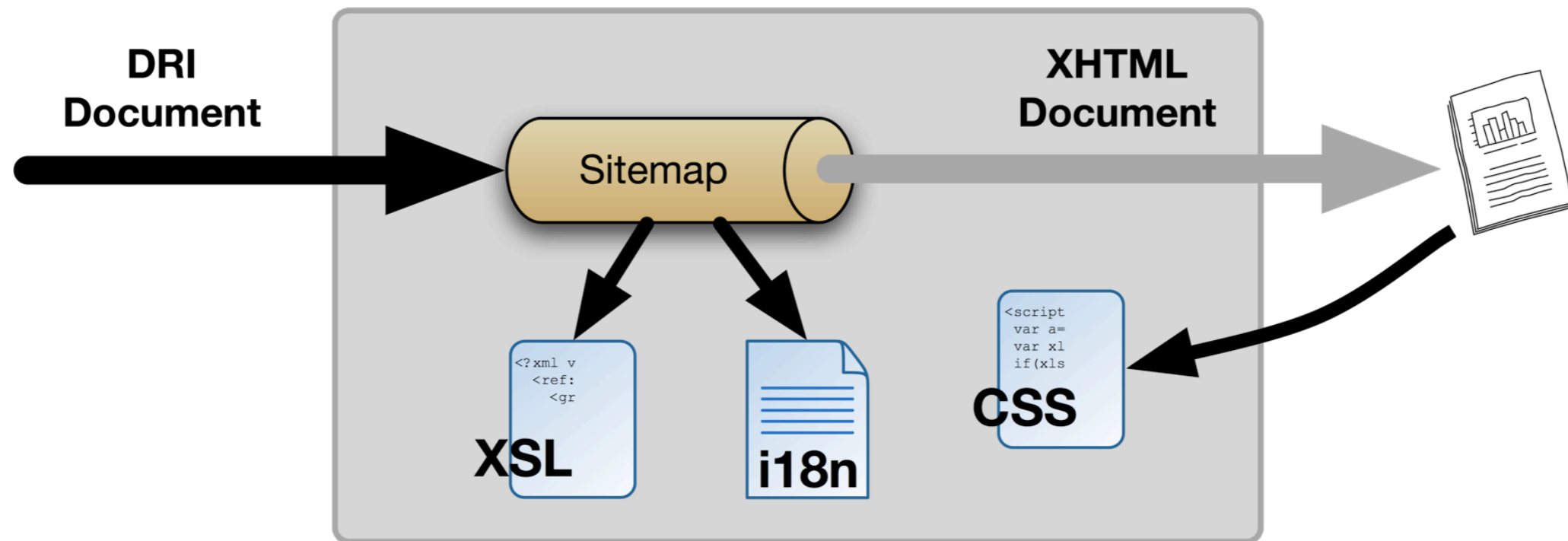
3. Aspect Tier

- Cocoon + Java
- Add new features

Creating a new style

- ▶ Start out with a blank CSS
- ▶ Make sure the theme's sitemap references it
- ▶ Fill it with CSS rules

Your Theme



Style Application Overview

The mechanics of styling

- ▶ The sitemap does not apply the CSS to the XHTML
- ▶ The sitemap adds metadata tags to the pageMeta of the DRI document that point to the CSS
- ▶ Once the XSL builds the head element of the XHTML document, it places the CSS link there

So far...

- ▶ **CSS styles applied**
- ▶ Theme created and installed
- ▶ Default XSL used

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Complex Theme Development

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Tiers review

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How do you make XSL changes?

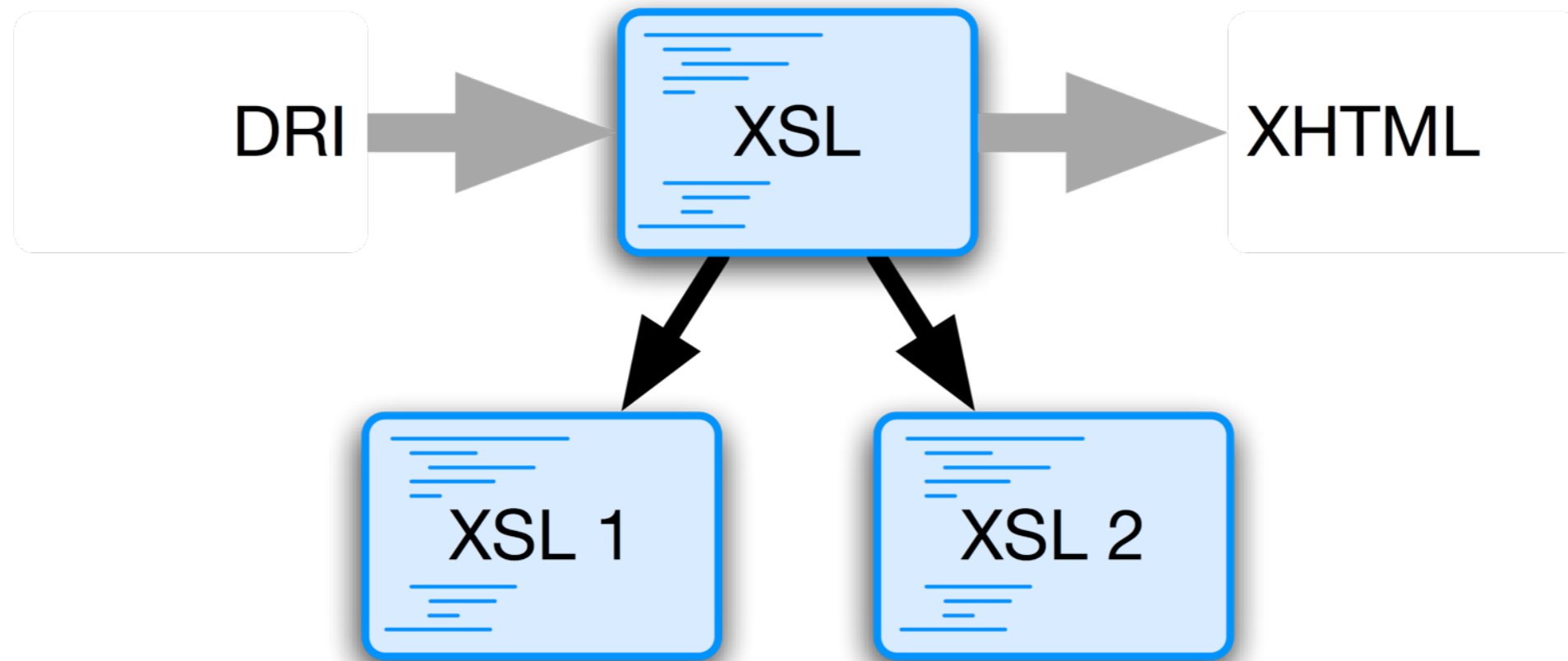
- ▶ Use existing XSL library
- ▶ Override individual templates



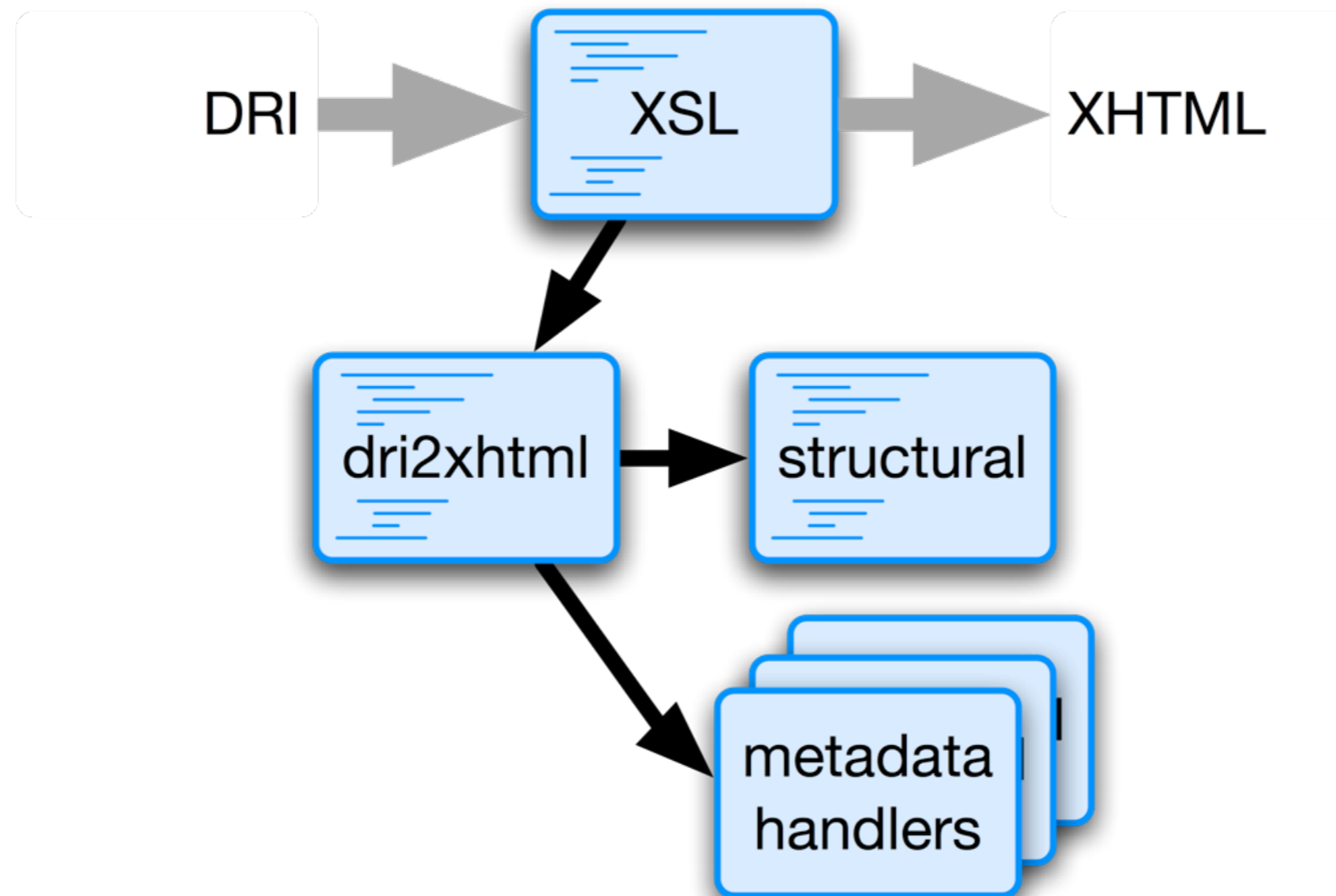
What is XSL?



XSL in Manakin



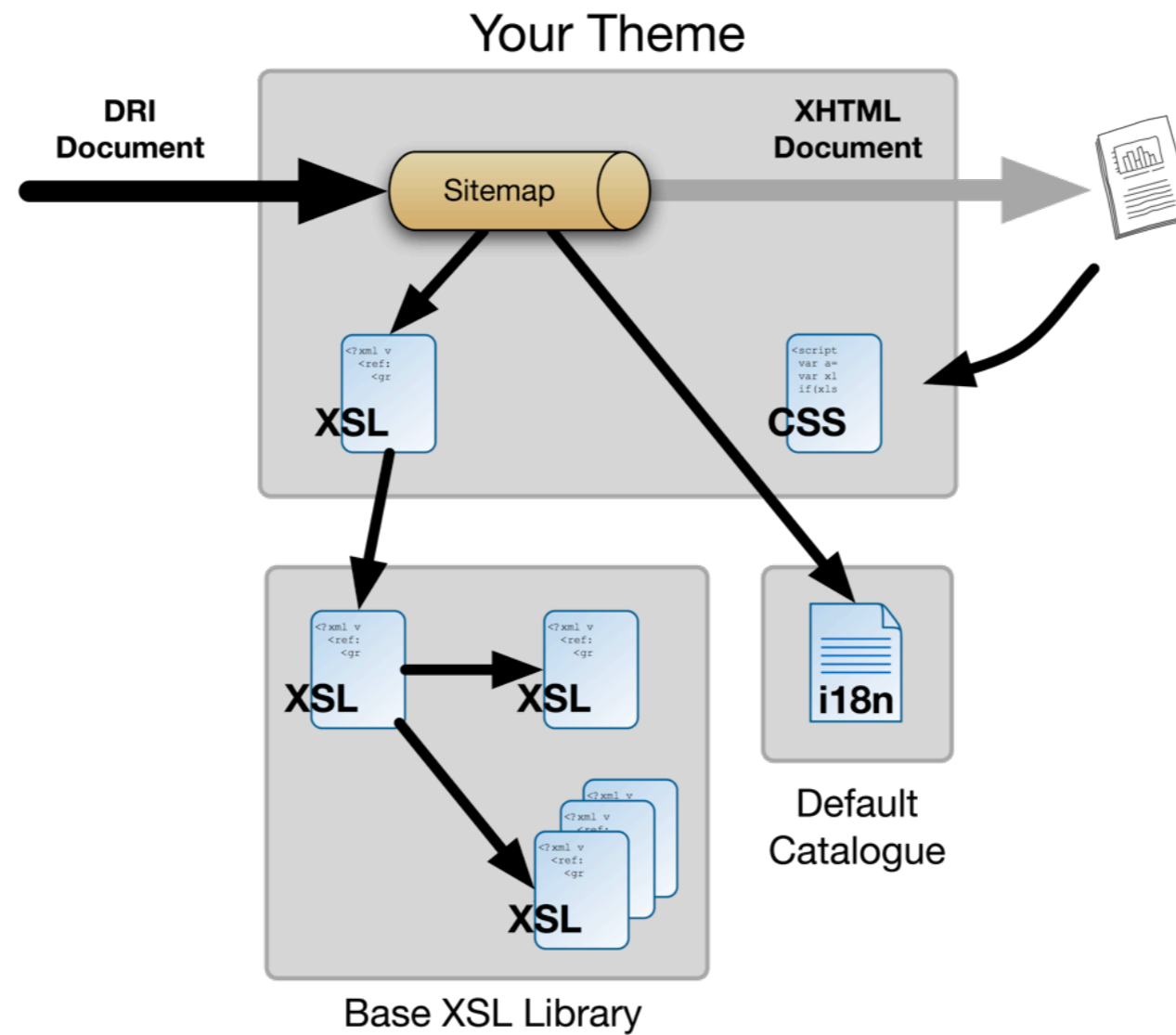
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The specifics of theme XSL imports

- ▶ The theme template also comes with a token XSL file that is by default not used in the sitemap
- ▶ To make your own XSL changes
 - *Modify the sitemap to include the theme's XSL*
 - *Copy the template you want to override from structural.xsl to your theme's XSL*
 - *Any changes made in the theme's XSL will override the template from structural*



Complete picture

So far...

- ▶ Partially overridden XSL used
- ▶ Theme created and installed
- ▶ CSS styles applied



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Advanced Topics

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Some of the advanced topics

- ▶ Metadata handlers
- ▶ Non-HTML output formats
- ▶ Internationalization
- ▶ Static page insertion
- ▶ Non-XSL transformations