

# A New Registry Interface Proposal **VO-Paris**



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# Registry: current interface

- ◆ All resources are defined by a xml schema
  - Search method on defined fields
  - Keyword search on (identifier, content/  
description, title, @xsi:type, content/subject)
- Both methods use complex ADQL-1 language over SOAP
- Difficulty to query, not all registry respond, very slow
- In fact some full searchable registries use Xpath,  
others use an internal protocol

# The Evolution proposed

**Only define the service behavior, not the implementation.  
Looks like open search**

◆ REST access using **SEARCH** method

`http://<my_url>/search?q=text [&text]`

**Plain text search in the list of fields**

**Example**

`http://voparis-registry.obspm.fr/registry/_search?q=infrared`

**REST access using serach by field**

`http://<my_url>/search?q=field:text1[&field2:text2]`

**search on specific field**

**Example**

`voparis-registry.obspm.fr/registry/_search?q=standardid:  
"ivo://ivoa.net/std/ConeSearch"&q=description:"infrared"&  
default_operator=AND`

# The Evolution proposed

**Focus of search operation:** (All theses fields can be put in the query)

- subjects
- title
- shortname
- description
- type
- referenceurl
- publisher
- contactname
- capabilities[accessurl, standardid]
- identifier
- registryid
- updated
- created
- status

**NB: Even if capability is a table, a search can be done on that field**

[http://voparis-registry.obspm.fr/registry/\\_search?q=standardid:"conesearch"](http://voparis-registry.obspm.fr/registry/_search?q=standardid:"conesearch")

# The Evolution proposed

**Returns all the parameters + access URLs of the VOResource**

**The return format is only JSON for now**

**If the interface is accepted, a XML list of embedded VOResources could be added**

**The implementation can directly handle geographical queries using a geojson description of the resource**

**The registry should contain MOC information and a separate service can handle this capability**

# Implementation for validation

→ All classical services CS, SSA, SIA have been ingested in a no-sql database couchdb, with the field of research (capabilities, description, identifier, subject, type).

- + easy to modify because its structure is not fixed
- + easy to maintain
- + easy to ingest new resources (indexed on the fly)

For implementing the search method, the search engine ElasticSearch (build on top of Apache Lucene) has been used.

- + Really powerful, quick and adapted to text search.
- + Can face increase of resources.
- + Scalable

# Example to play

I want to have all TAP services

`http://voparis-registry.obspm.fr/registry/_search?  
q=standardid:"ivo://ivoa.net/std/TAP"`

or simply

`http://voparis-registry.obspm.fr/registry/_search?  
q="ivo://ivoa.net/std/TAP"`