

Theory Interest Group at IVOA

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What is the Theory Interest Group?

- We are interested in how to best manage simulations and other theory data
- In particular what can we standardize and how can we follow the FAIR principles in an IVOA compatible way?
- We provide guidance on two standards: SimDM (DM WG) and SimDAL (DAL WG)
- We will run a brainstorming session with GWS on 27 April at 20:00 UT

Brainstorming session with GWS

Goals

We want concrete proposals using at least two science platforms for analysing/disseminating cosmological simulations

- Represent and evolve a volume in 3+1 dimensional space-time, whatever its spatial size
- We want to deploy data and software to the platforms and register their existence in a SimDB

Questions / Considerations

- Availability
 - Which science platform?
 - What kind of security is required?
- Platform types
 - Desktop oriented?
 - Notebook style?
 - Point and click?
- Capabilities
 - Can I deploy my own software/libraries?
 - What about file access or databases?
 - Interactive and/or batch mode

Questions / Considerations

- Data
 - Can you bring your own data? If so, how?
 - Or should data uploading be controlled?
- Software
 - Who has the codes for accessing simulations?
 - Can we use containers?
- Standardisation
 - How to register simulations on a science platform? SimDB?
 - What levels of standardization do we expect?
 - What about interoperability between platforms?