# Source/Catalog Focused Session

# Sources: One Big Paradox in the VO

- Studying sources covers most of research activities in astrophysics
  - A source is something in the sky which emits signals we can detect.
- Lots of astrophysical data are source-related
  - A good deal for the VO!
- However:
  - No VO source model, nor DAL protocol based on sources
  - We have models orbiting the sources but none capable of landing.
    - Spectral, Time Series, photDM

## What has been done right now

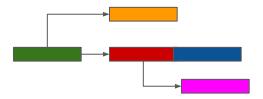
### Some earlier proposals.

- 2006 Catalog data model P. Osuna et al.
  - https://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IVAODMCatalogsWP
- 2016 Source DM G. Lemson et al.,
  - https://volute.g-vo.org/svn/trunk/projects/dm/SourceDM
- 2016 Source DM J. Salgado et al.
  - https://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/SourceDataModel
- 2018 Hack-a-Thon VODML DMWG
  - https://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/InterOpMay2018VODML
- 2018 Large survey poll LM FB
  - https://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/SourceDM

## 2 Approaches

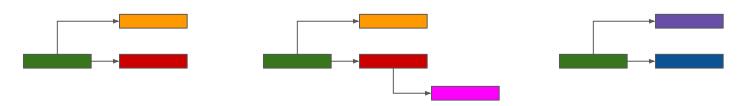
#### A classical model

- Based some use cases
- Likely not optimum to support a large variety of data



## A core model extendable with quantities

- Just need to modelize all desirable quantities (STC Meas)
- Can fit with various domain-specific requirements





## Some Open Questions

#### Issues

- Which common template to model quantities?
- How to annotate those quantities in VOTable, in AstorPy?
- How could clients discover available quantities?
- Is it possible to annotate TAP responses?
- Is data annotation affordable for catalog archives?
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#### Method

- Getting scientific requirements
- Getting clients requirements
- Getting curator requirements
- Iterating on those requirements
  to converge on a complete workflow

