

Data Access Layer Working Group

Closing Plenary

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DAL @ Paris Interop



- 2 WG sessions
- 1 joint session on authentication
 - Included/fostered by TAP-1.1
- 1 splinter session on DataLink
- 2 talks in DM sessions
 - SSLDM & ProvenanceDM dependency
- The usual coffee/lunch break chats to clarify issue levels





ObjVisSAP/ObsLocTAP



- Richard reported on the documents status
 - Implementations are already in place (Chandra, XMM Newton, Integral, Gaia)
 - Also a client prototype exists (ESA) that can be used to validate/prove interoperability
- Menelaos reported on the Chandra implemetation for both protocols
 - Including details on changes made while the specification progressed
- Plans are to reach WD 1.0 status by next Interop and PR in early 2020
 - Though some more interaction with ground base facilities would be a nice addition
- Some issues arisen
 - ObsLocTAP looks like a model, maybe better to have a name change
 - Though the scenario of expressing tabular data via TAP hasn't been really explored
 - "visibility" is used in other contexts already, maybe we should prefix it





SIAP & SODA



- François reported potential revision topics/features for SIAP-2.0 & SODA-1.0
- Virtual Dataset access played a major role
 - Use cases exist
 - Care as to be taken not to create confusion on the provider side
 - Possibly a revised description of the ObsCore → SIAP → SODA framework can help
 - SODA descriptor in the SIAP response should suffice
- SODA next features may be various
 - Finer FITS/dataset access; regridding/rebinning
 - be careful on the computation requirements, not invading the "code to data" efforts
- Kenny presented the LSST SODA implementation
 - Python, designed for scalability & performance; held a (Jupyter demo)
 - steep step approaching the VO standards
 - feedback on getting the specification from the repository





DAL



- Pat reviewed the features from the DALI-Next page
 - Mainly xtypes additions: e.g. for MOC (uncontentious)
 - Solution for EPN requirement replacing the deprecating COOSYS proposed
 - But hasn't been discussed
 - xtypes for complex morphologies, disjoint shapes need further discussion
 - But time lacked (also to have a splinter on this REC revision)
 - Follow up on mailing list...





ProvTAP / SLAP



- Both presented in DM sessions
- Nicolas attached SLAP-2.0 status in SSLDM-2.0 talk
 - SSLDM-2.0 should soon reach WD
 - SLAP-2.0 will follow its model PR/RFC roadmap
- François reported ProvTAP in Provenance session
 - No specific issue
 - Does ObsLocTAP "model" issue applies also to this protocol?





TAP-1.1 & Authentication



- Full joint session, fostered by TAP-1.1 authenticated endpoints
 - DAL / GWS / Apps / Registry
- Brian gave a nice summary of what the session was meant for
- Pat over-viewed all changes from v.1.0 to v1.1 including current authenticated endpoints solution
- Mark T. reported history since College Park and TOPCAT/STILTS developments WRT authenticated endpoints
- Markus gave a summary overview from the Registry perspective
- TAP-1.1 seems to be ready to be voted by TCG
 - pending some text clarification on single/multiple Interfaces per Capability
 - Implementations in place (maybe more coming up)
 - Validator to be updated
- Authentication Server/Client scenario yet not complete
 - More on this in the GWS WG closing remarks





Some more TAP



- Bruce: TAP implementation for the NASA Exoplanet
 Science Institute
 - Lightweight python, DBMS agnostic
 - The difficult part? ADQL!
- Gregory reported in the plans for VOLLT
 - includes what was TAP lib, ADQL lib, UWS lib with more libraries to join this framework

• (same session – off topic) Marco reported on the issues with IA2 DC dealing with few resources in a changing VO scenario (suggestion to share DC experiences in DAL, not only at operational level)





ADQL-2.1 & PEG grammar



Gregory plans on ADQL 2.1 implementation

- Some fixes on the BNF grammar and features
- Agreement on UDF functions (IVOA Note by Jon)

Jon ADQL-2.1 compliant PEG grammar

- And python parser ready
- Requires some more testing
- If ready it can go in an ADQL-2.2 revision
 - But 1 more parser needed & more validation queries

Dave ADQL-2.1 status report

- Continue on issue fixing
- No new changes
- The document is now available in GitHub





DataLink



- François presented the list of changes to be discussed for inclusion in v.1.1 revision
 - As per his talk in College Park
 - Discussion notes will be attached to the DAL schedule of this Interop
 - Debated points:
 - #fragments in access_url
 - ReST templating for service descriptor
 - Registry/capability section in the document
 - DataLink will be ported in ivoatex in GitHub for revision





Roadmap to Groningen





- 163 hours walk
- 103-146 days available
- ~1-1½ hours per day

Mostly summertime.





Roadmap to Groningen



- TAP-1.1 expected REC in summer
- ADQL-2.1 waiting 2nd implementation to enter RFC (fall?)
- DataLink 1.1 revision (internal WD)
- DALI 1.2 revision, pending some discussion
- ObjVisSAP / ObsLocTAP 1.0 WD before Groningen, PR in 2020
 - Some "format" discussion, content to stay as is
- SLAP-2.0 & ProvTAP, dependencies on DM





Thank you to all participants!



Keep discussions alive!

DAL collaborative pages

https://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IvoaDAL

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