Unified Content Descriptor (UCD) Status

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Status

- UCDList1.5 has been approved as an Endorsed Note (Jan 2023)
- Validation of ucd terms in documents can be done
 - using **ucidy** library (from G. Mantelet) https://github.com/gmantele/ucidy
 - using taplint from STILTS and TopCAT (M.Taylor) https://www.star.bris.ac.uk/~mbt/stilts/sun256/taplint-usage.html
- CDS has tools to combine terms to build UCD string (update for 1.5 to be completed)

https://cds.unistra.fr//UCD/cgi-bin/descr2ucd

update on these are currently discussed in the Semantics working group and on the UCD request for modification page : UCDList_1-6_RFM





UCD update loop

- New terms and new modifications have been proposed for the next iteration of UCDList 1.6
- From A. Micol, ESO archive, describing the ambient parameters at the ESO VLT telescope.
- From Pierre Chanial, APC Paris, for LIGO/Virgo data sets
- From J. Berthier, IMCCE, for Solar system Objects
- Proposals are currently discussed in the Semantics working group and listed on the UCD request for modification page : UCDList 1-6 RFM
- Each term is then described in its context and in a <u>VEP-UCD</u> document
- Discussed in the Semantics group and UCD Board.



UCD update feedback

- New terms are necessary but:
- Clear context and definition is needed
- UCD tree must stay consistent
- <u>Avoid</u> redundancy to warrant effective search
 - one ucd class one category of concept

Thanks

Questions ?



