A simple SAMP Applet

"the SAMPplet"

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Applet Goals

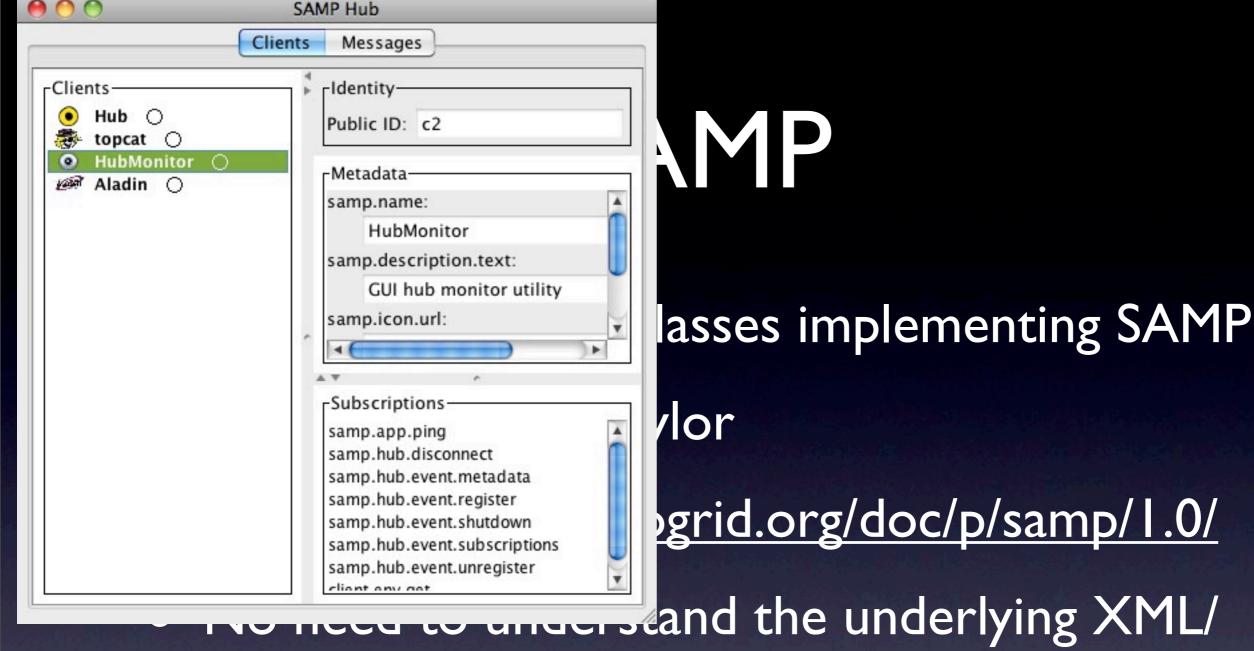
- Idea: Build a quick-look feature for web portals...
- ... by dispatching data to SAMP applications from a web page
- ...to target applications that run locally
- Tested with Aladin, Splat, TOPCAT, DS9, VoSpec
- Trick: since all SAMP clients need to access
 \$HOME/.samp, the applet must be signed by the developer then trusted by the user
- Written in Java => use library JSAMP by Mark Taylor

SAMP

- Simple Application Messaging Protocol
- IVOA Recommendation since 21 April 2009 (v1.11)
- Already widely used => success for the IVOA
- Application interoperability using XML/RPC messages and subscriptions
- Communication happens through a hub
- Support for Java, Perl, Python, C?

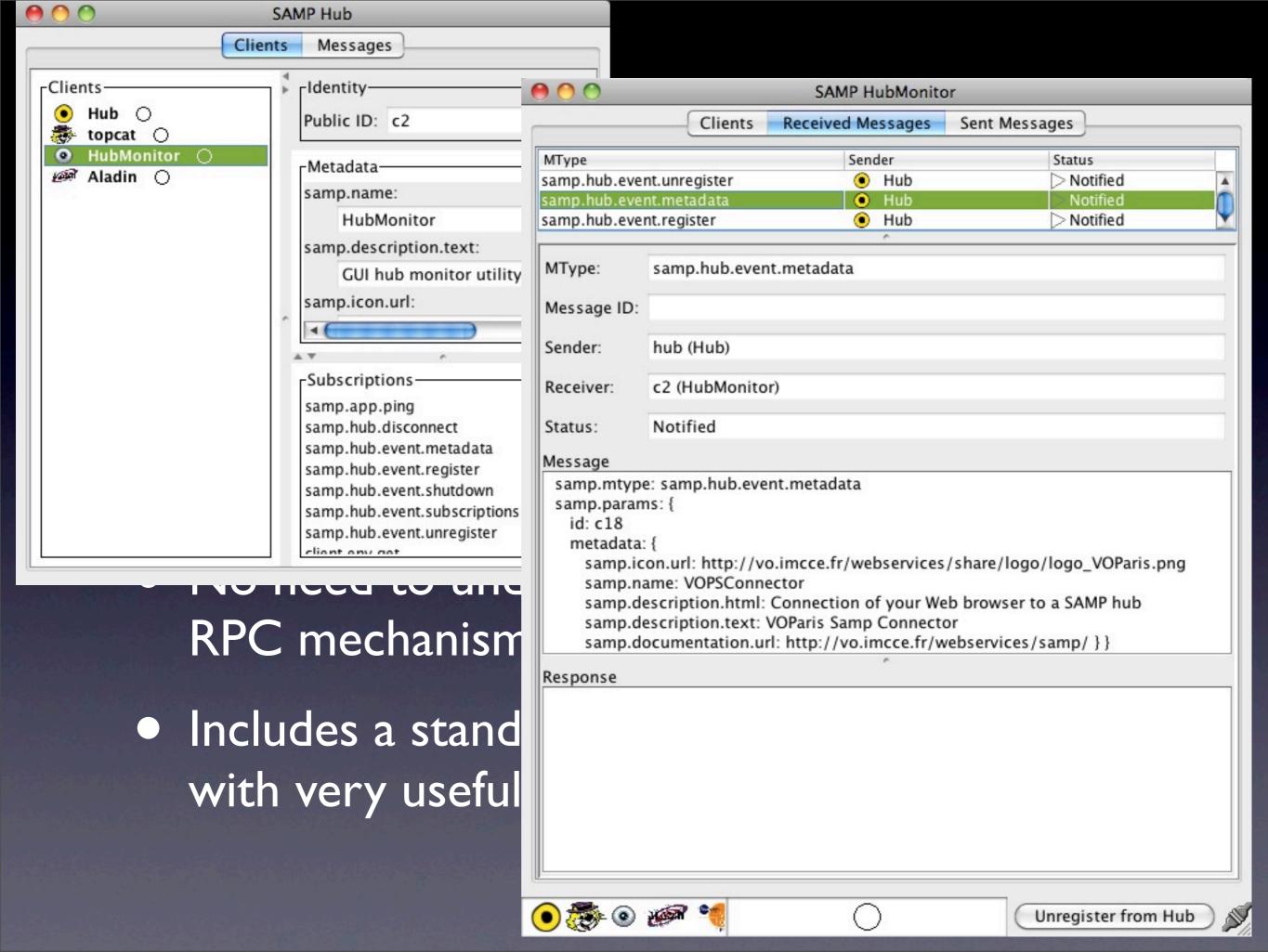
JSAMP

- API = a set of Java classes implementing SAMP
- Written by Mark Taylor
- http://software.astrogrid.org/doc/p/samp/1.0/
- No need to understand the underlying XML/ RPC mechanism (except for debugging)
- Includes a standalone SAMP hub and monitor with very useful GUIs



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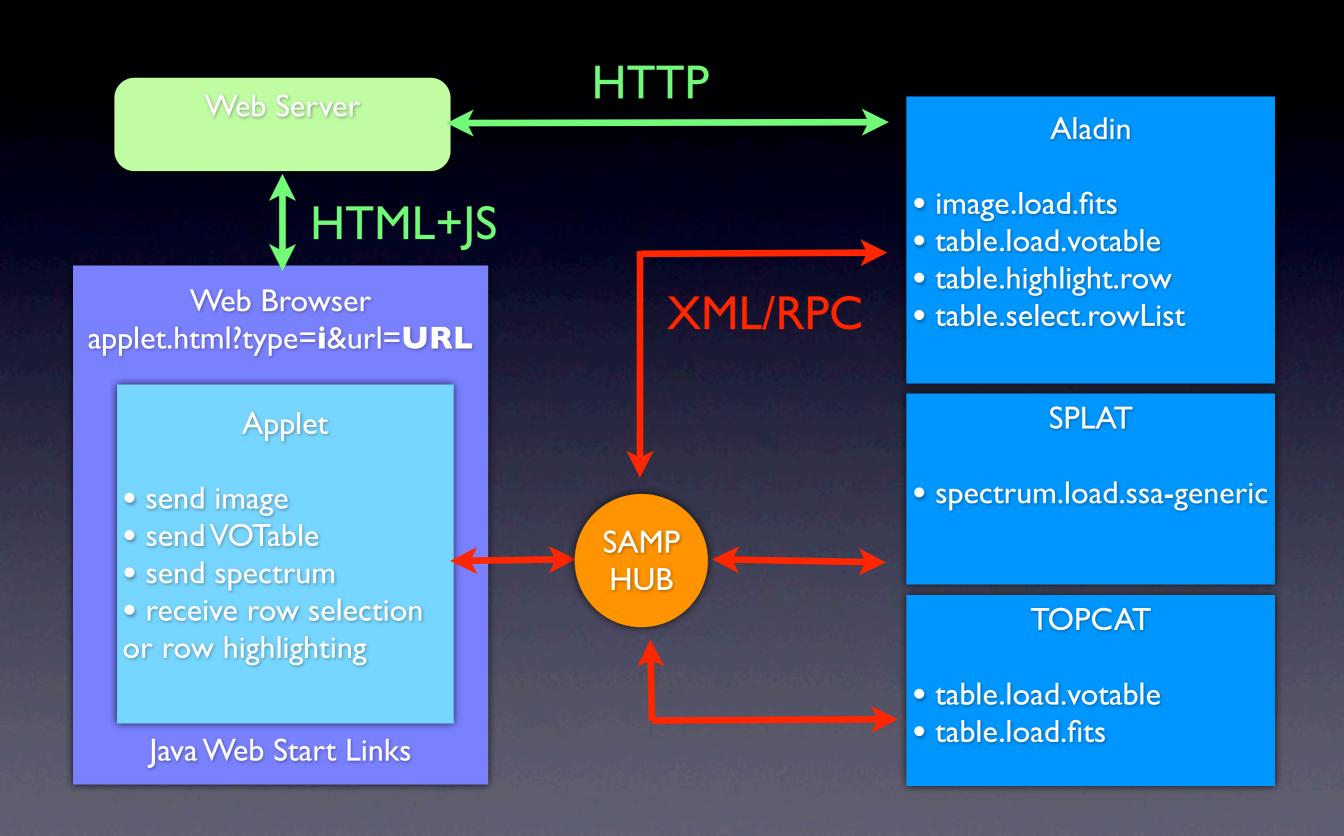
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Applet Development

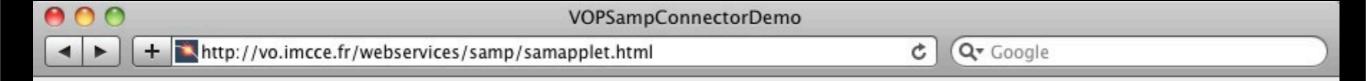
- Almost like making a standalone Java program...
- Except... all libraries (JSAMP, FITS,...) are embedded in ONE jar file
- ... and the jar file must be signed (cf HOWTO)
- The browser needs to be Java-compatible: Firefox, Safari, IE, Opera
- The web page embbeds the applet: nothing to launch by the user. Pop-up window for trusting

Architecture



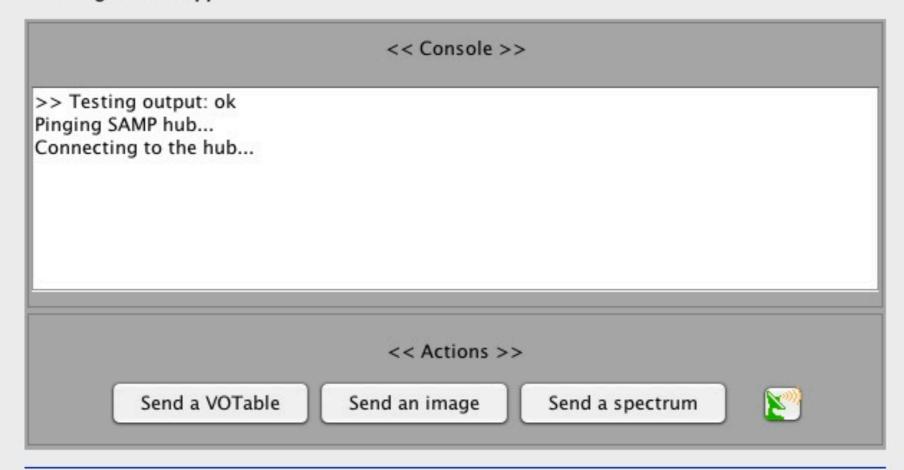
Demo

- WebSAMPConnector
- Available from VO-PDC
- Download it from http://vo.obspm.fr/tool.php
- Two ways to use the applet: visible (testing/interactive) or invisible (transparent)



VOPSampConnector Demonstrator

... through a Java applet:



... through a hidden Java applet and Javascript onclick event

Applet org.voparis.VOPSampConnectorDemo started

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Broadcast a **VOTable**

Broadcast a FITS image

Broadcast a Spectrum

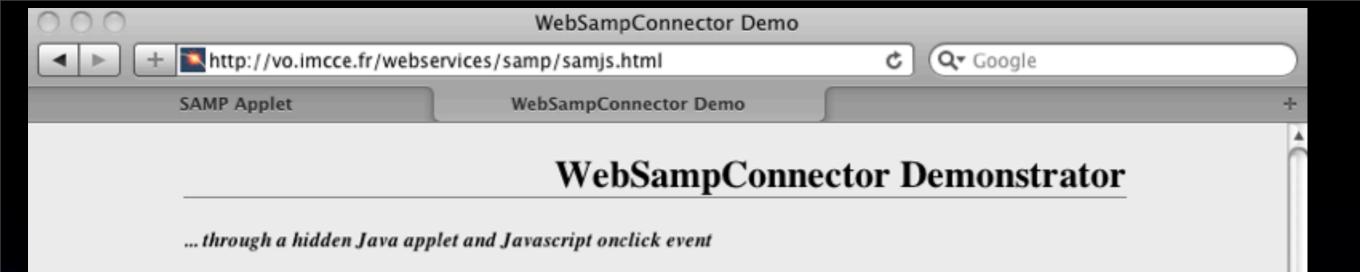
Tips:

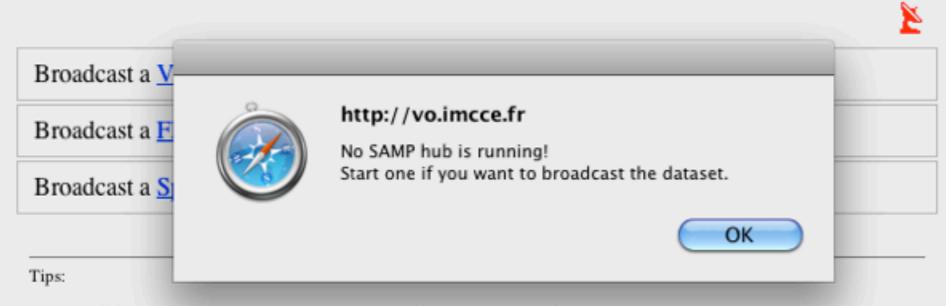
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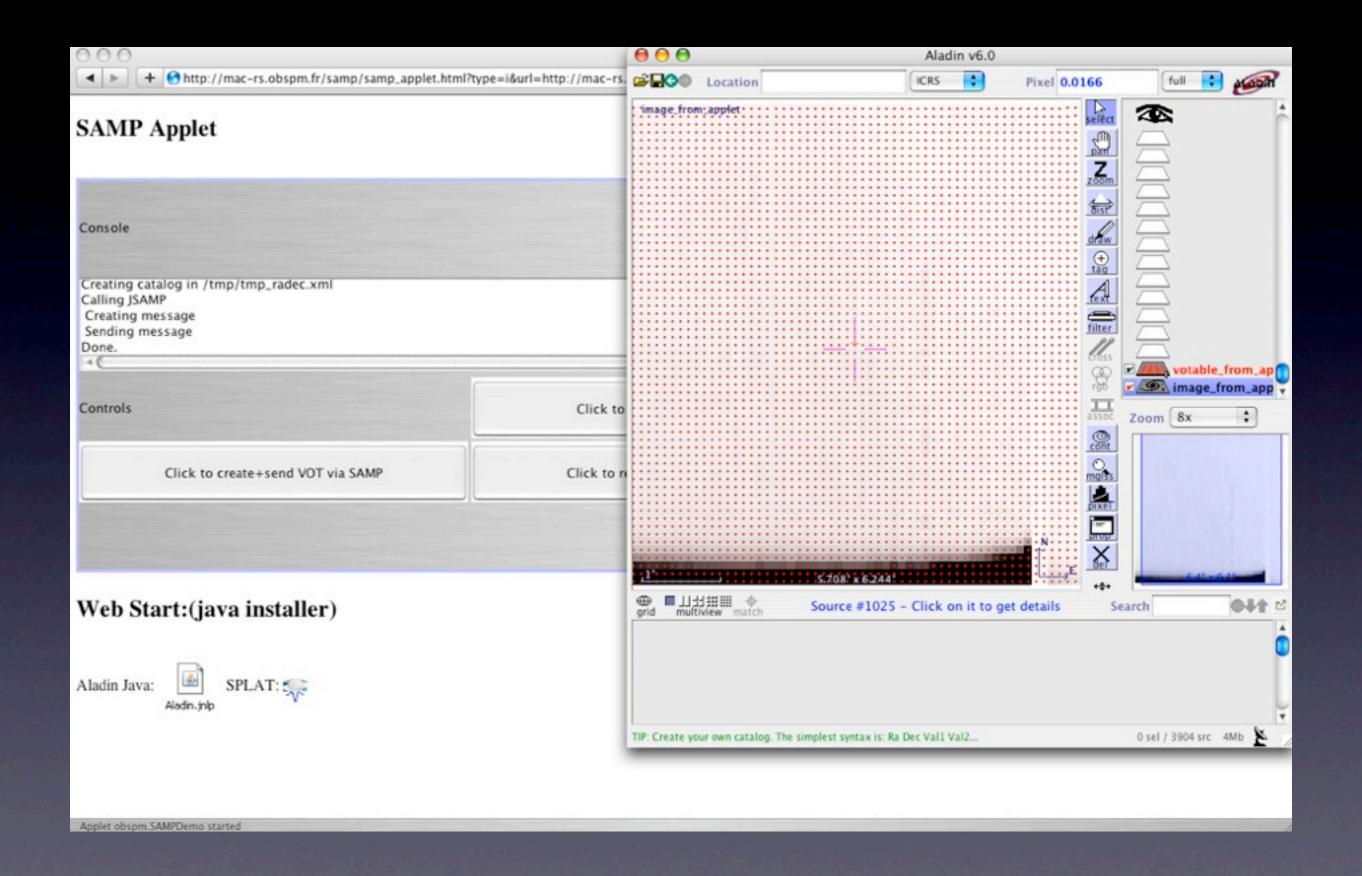
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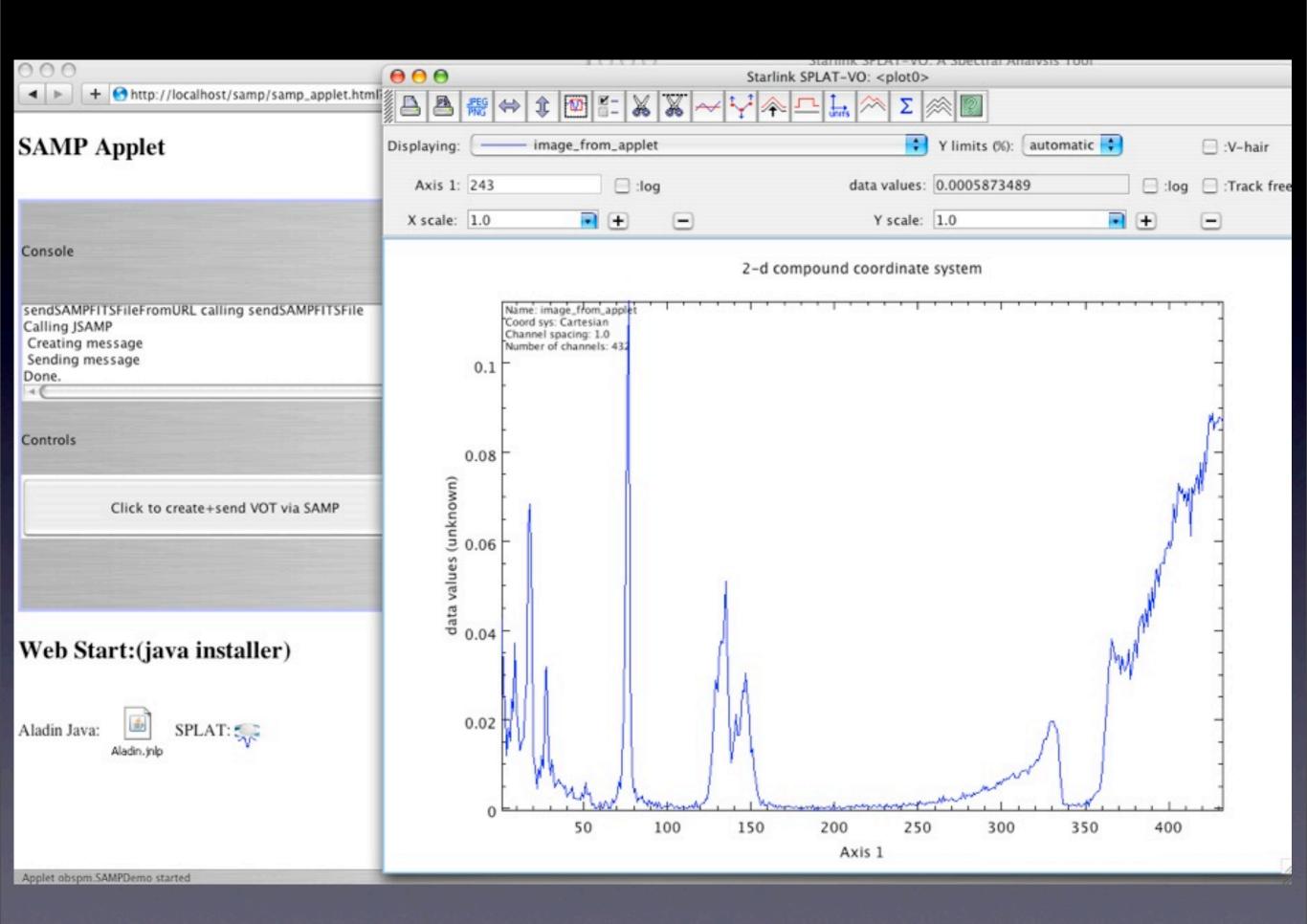
Run script "void(0)"



Example 2: PDS

- VIRTIS=Visible and Infrared Thermal Imaging Spectrometer aboard Venus-Express, produces data cube (lambda, x, y)
- Storage format: PDS=Planetary Data System
- Use of PDS library lecturePDS by S. Erard, written for IDL (porting to GDL in progress)
- Note: for planetary images used here, the WCS is arbitrary, the aim is only to superimpose a catalog





Perspectives

- The applet can be embedded with HTML/JS in any portal, e.g. VizieR
- Think of direct data transfer in SAMP to avoid tmp files (~image.load.data)?
- Ability for SPLAT to load a spectrum in place of existing one ("overwrite")
- Unrelated: A WCS for planetary usage? (Aladin has a solar referential that we have tried, does not work for tables/catalogs)

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