

Semantics session

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Vocabularies

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Vocabularies in the Virtual Observatory Version 1.19

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Interest/Working Group:

<http://www.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IvoaSemantics>

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Vocabularies

- Currently available vocabularies :
 - IAU Thesaurus 1993
 - A&A journal keywords
 - AOIM
 - UCD
 - IVOAT
- <http://www.ivoa.net/rdf/Vocabularies/>
- Strong need for mapping between vocabularies !
 - <http://explicator.dcs.gla.ac.uk/code/>
 - can be handled by external files



Vocabularies

- Supporting other WGs in developing the vocabularies they need
 - reuse from above
 - extend, create new ones ?
- Need expressed from
 - VOEvent
 - DM for Characterization, ObsTAP
 - Registry : creating/querying VOResources



Dictionaries

- Explain
 - vocabulary words
 - utypes
 - UCDs
- Reference lookup for
 - explanation of terms
 - examples of use, ...
- Host these on IVOA website ?



Semantic annotations

- Annotations sharing
 - SKUA project
- Annotations for the Semantic Web



RDFa for astronomers

<u>1</u>	02 40 01.1-01 36 45	<u>a</u>	<u>A370 Field 2</u>
<u>2</u>	14 49 28.2+26 07 57	<u>b</u>	<u>C1 1447+23</u>
<u>3</u>	00 26 35.6+17 09 43	<u>c</u>	<u>C1 0024+16</u>
<u>4</u>	09 43 02.6+46 58 57	<u>d</u>	<u>C1 0939+47</u>
<u>5</u>	09 43 02.5+46 56 07	<u>e</u>	<u>C1 0939+47 F2</u>
<u>6</u>	03 06 15.9+17 19 17	<u>f</u>	<u>C1 0303+17</u>

- `samp.MType` : `coord.pointAt.sky`
- `samp.params` :
 - `ra`=decimal degrees
 - `dec`=decimal degrees

RDFa for astronomers

- Add semantic annotations to "02 40 01.1-01 36 45"

```
<td   xmlns:ivoa="http://ivoa.net/samp/1.11/"
      about="http://ivoa.net/samp/"
      property="ivoa:pos"
      content="coord.pointAt.sky">

      <span property="ivoa:pos.eq.ra"
            content="040.0046">
        02 40 01.1
      </span>
      <span property="ivoa:pos.eq.dec"
            content="-1.6125">
        -01 36 45
      </span>
</td>
```


Future of Semantics WG

