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# Behind the scenes of AIP IVOA data services

Providing DOI within the Datalink protocol and operations report - Django Daiquiri and dockerized DevOp environment

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# Outline - Behind the scenes of AIP IVOA data services

- IVOA compliant data archives at AIP
- Providing DOI within the Datalink protocol
- Operations report – Django Daiquiri and Dockerized DevOp environment

# Data services at AIP – data.aip.de

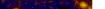


### Gaia

Gaia Data from the Gaia satellite, observation of stars in the Milky Way

**Categories** Astrometry, Photometry  
**Projects** Gaia, Daquiri  
**Website** <https://gaia.aip.de>

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### CosmoSim

Cosmological simulations, database

**Categories** Simulation data  
**Projects** CosmoSim, Daquiri  
**Website** <https://www.cosmosim.org>

[Query](#) [Metadata](#)



### APPLAUSE

APPLAUSE Archive of digitized photographic plates

**Categories** Astrometry, Spectroscopy, Light curves, Photometry  
**Projects** Applause, Daquiri  
**Website** <https://www.plate-archive.org>

[Query](#) [Metadata](#)



### CARS

CARS Close AGN Reference Survey (CARS) data release

**Categories** Spectroscopy  
**Projects** CARS, Daquiri  
**Website** <https://cars.aip.de/>

[Query](#) [Gallery](#)

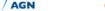


### RAVE

RAVE Results of the RAdial VElocity Survey (2003 - 2013)

**Categories** Spectroscopy, Photometry  
**Projects** RAVE, Daquiri  
**Website** <https://www.rave-survey.org>

[Query](#) [Metadata](#)



### XMMSSC

Data release of the XMM-Newton Survey Science Centre (SSC)

**Projects** XMM-Newton SSC, Daquiri  
**Website** <https://xmmsc.aip.de>

[Query](#) [Catalogues](#)



### MUSE-Wide

The MUSE-Wide project data release

**Projects** MUSE, Daquiri  
**Website** <https://musewide.aip.de>

[Query](#) [Metadata](#)



### Publication data

Various data collections for scientific papers or test data for pipelines.

**Projects** various AIP publications, Gaia, StarHorse, PEPSI, MUSE, Daquiri  
**Website** <https://data.aip.de/projects>



### AIP Cepheids database

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**Website** <https://cepheids.aip.de>



### Historical Sky

Discovering astronomical photographic plates

**Website** <https://public.aip.de/historical-sky/en/>



### VERLUST der NACHT

Loss of the night How bright is the night?

**Website** <https://verlustdernacht.aip.de>

# data.aip.de

# Data services at AIP powered by Django Daiquiri framework

## IVOA interfaces

- ADQL query interface
- TAP protocol
- IVOA Simple Cone Search
- VO endpoints for IVOA registry of registries
- Datalink protocol

Supports further interfaces:

- Metadata management backend incl. DOI and UCD
- OAI-PMH2 endpoint

As providers, we have to handle metadata for different protocols, each of the metadata schemas have diverse structures. Our goal is to re-use the information already given in the archive and to avoid duplicating it.

# Providing DOI within the Datalink protocol

An example from the APPLAUSE archive (H. Enke et al. 2024)

- DOIs exist for schema and tables.
- Furthermore, DOIs exist for objects such as plates, previews, envelopes, logbooks.
- Instead of providing DOI via the science data base or an individual solution, we store the DOI information in the Datalink table.
- DOI was added as extension to the Datalink-core dictionary as DOI is not (yet?) part of the Datalink-core dictionary.

If a DOI is present, the Datalink tables are generated from already existing metadata either per script or on the fly (dynamic Datalink).

- Daiquiri framework automatically generates basic Datalink entries for schemas and tables which are present in each archive from the existing metadata.
- For other objects, our archives expect the DOI to be included directly in the Datalink tables.

# APPLAUSE

Archives of Photographic PLates for Astronomical USE



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## Datalinks for applause\_dr4.plate

### Data Links

access_url	description	semantics	content_type	content_length
<a href="https://doi.org/10.17876/plate/dr.4">https://doi.org/10.17876/plate/dr.4</a>	The applause_dr4.plate table is part of the linked resource.	#auxiliary	application/html	None
<a href="https://www.plate-archive.org/metadata/applause_dr4/plate/">https://www.plate-archive.org/metadata/applause_dr4/plate/</a>	Documentation for the applause_dr4.plate table	#documentation	application/html	None
<a href="https://doi.org/10.17876/plate/dr.4/">https://doi.org/10.17876/plate/dr.4/</a>	Photographic plates as physical objects	#doi	application/html	None

[https://www.plate-archive.org/datalink/applause\\_dr4.plate/](https://www.plate-archive.org/datalink/applause_dr4.plate/)

## applause\_dr4.plate table

[https://www.plate-archive.org/datalink/plates/1\\_19928/](https://www.plate-archive.org/datalink/plates/1_19928/)

## Datalinks for plates/1\_19928

### Data Links

access_url	description	semantics	content_type	content_length
<a href="https://www.plate-archive.org/files/DR3/scans/POT015/POT015_000001.hdr">https://www.plate-archive.org/files/DR3/scans/POT015/POT015_000001.hdr</a>	Header for the scan of the plate 19928 in archive 1 from APPLAUSE DR3	#detached-header	text/plain	14.8 KB
<a href="https://doi.org/10.17876/plate/dr.3/plates/1_19928">https://doi.org/10.17876/plate/dr.3/plates/1_19928</a>	Plate 19928 in archive 1 from APPLAUSE DR3	#doi	application/html	None
<a href="https://www.plate-archive.org/objects/dr.3/plates/1_19928">https://www.plate-archive.org/objects/dr.3/plates/1_19928</a>	Object viewer for the plate 19928 in archive 1 from APPLAUSE DR3	#preview	application/html	None
<a href="https://www.plate-archive.org/files/DR4/scans/POT015/POT015_000001.fits">https://www.plate-archive.org/files/DR4/scans/POT015/POT015_000001.fits</a>	File for the scan of the plate 19928 in archive 1 from APPLAUSE DR3	#this	application/fits	677.9 MB

<https://www.plate-archive.org/datalink/semantics#doi>

## The extension to the Datalink-core dictionary

Term	Description
<a href="https://www.plate-archive.org/datalink/semantics#doi">https://www.plate-archive.org/datalink/semantics#doi</a>	The access_url points to the Digital Object Identifier (DOI) of the object.

## DOI Datalink dictionary extension

# Use of Datalink tables in OAI PMH protocol

The Open Archives Initiative Protocol for Metadata Harvesting (OAI-PMH) is a low-barrier mechanism for repository interoperability.

- DOI and the DOI landing page information come from the Datalink table
- Files for the object in OAI protocol also come from Datalink table
- OAI interface uses the „alternate identifier“ tag for an object to use with Datalink protocol

Plate 1\_19928 object

```
▼<alternateIdentifiers>
  <alternateIdentifier alternateIdentifierType="datalink">plates/1_19928</alternateIdentifier>
  <alternateIdentifier alternateIdentifierType="DOI Landing Page">https://www.plate-archive.org/objects/dr.3/plates/1\_19928</alternateIdentifier>
</alternateIdentifiers>
```

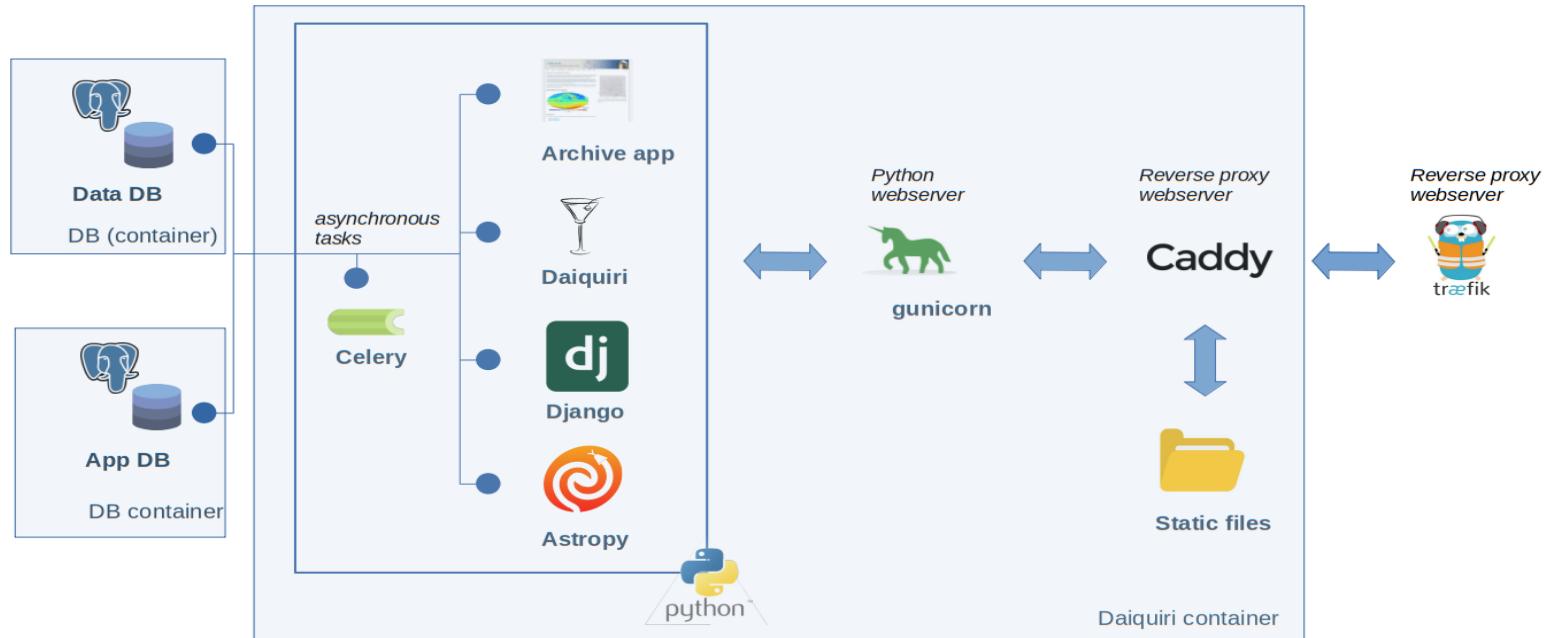
[https://www.plate-archive.org/oai/?verb=GetRecord&metadataPrefix=datacite&identifier=oai:www.plate-archive.org:plates/1\\_19928](https://www.plate-archive.org/oai/?verb=GetRecord&metadataPrefix=datacite&identifier=oai:www.plate-archive.org:plates/1_19928)

# Building a dockerized DevOp environment - from development to operation



Ideally, a developer has the exact same environment as on the production instance.

# Building a dockerized DevOp environment - an archive instance



## The highs...

- The setup is reproducible. So are the bugs.
- Development, test and deployment setups are the same environment.
- Less downtime
- No more „changing configs“ on the productive instances.
- As many as dev or test instances as needed.
- Additional features for maintenance can be built into the setup – data volumes, custom installs for the app, cron jobs, etc.

Docker is a very fast developing technology – continuous updates are needed, more difficult to deploy on older OS. Same goes for web services.

With docker any updates or combinations of packages and features are possible and can be tested beforehand, as many dev or test instances as needed.

## ... and the lows ;)

Containerization does not mean simplicity. A lot of expertise is needed, but it is completely scripted / documented now.

# Questions?

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[github.com/django-daiquiri](https://github.com/django-daiquiri)