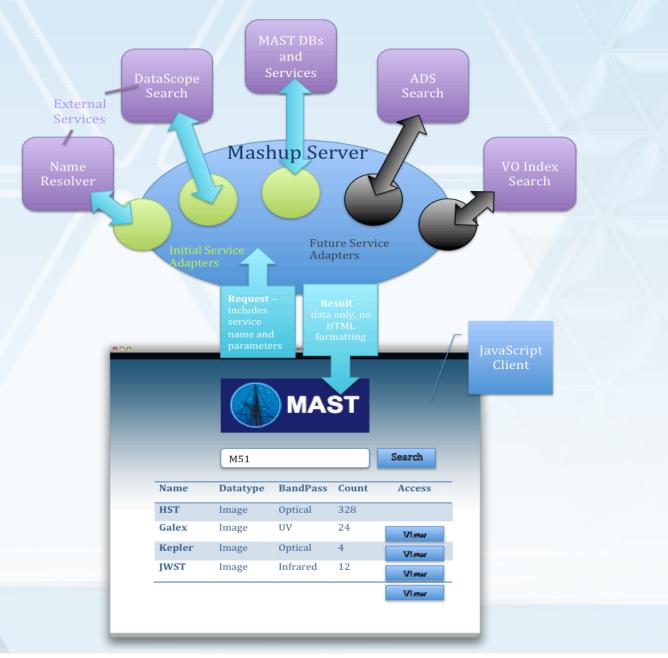


Project Goals

- Unify web access to MAST data and services
 - Data Discovery and Exploration
 - Visualization
 - Download and analysis
 - Mission-specific features
- Share infrastructure between MAST and VAO Portals
 - Efficient use of limited resources
 - Seamless access to VAO data and services
- Extensible and flexible architecture
 - Allow growth to Mobile, Desktop and Script access
 - Allow for the evolution of client and server technologies
 - Allow utilization of existing services

Architecture Overview



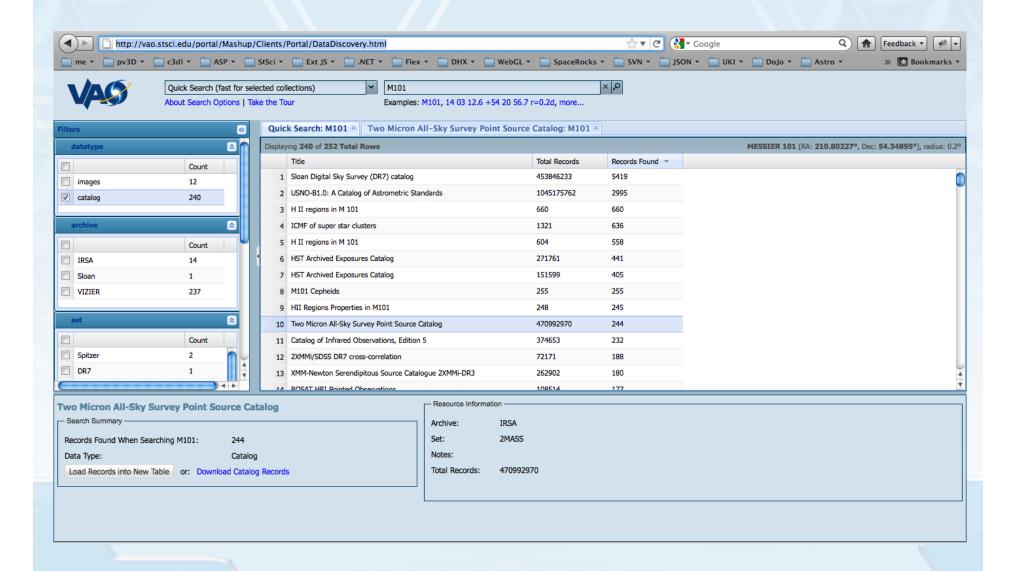
Architecture (Mashup Server)

- Unifies access to variety of data resources
 - MAST databases
 HLA, GALEX, CAOM, HLSP
 - MAST and External VO services
 - Vo Inventory, DataScope, All Cone and SIAP services
 - Other web services
 - MAST Name Resolver
 - Uploaded Data Files
- All queries return only data, not html.
 - Clients decide how to use the data.
- Data available in multiple formats
 - JSON for client use.
 - Csv, xls and VO Table for user download
 - Formatted html, probably for printing
 - Soon: Server-side paging, sorting and filtering

Architecture (Web Client)

- Client GUI written entirely in JavaScript
 - Using Ext JS
 - Runs in all modern web browsers
 - No GUI components are generated by the server
 - GUI can be rearranged/rewritten without changing the server
- Results data stores can be local or proxied to server
- Results displayed in flexible data grids
 - Scrollable, even for thousands of data rows
 - Faceted filtering
 - Column manipulation
 - Sorting, hiding, reordering, resizing
 - Can include graphics such as image thumbnails
- Displayed results downloadable in multiple formats

Demo



Future Plans

- Searches based on observation metadata
- All-Sky image browser with overlay graphics
 - Observation footprints
 - Catalog objects
- Custom image cutouts
- Publication links and searches
- Server-side data storage and workspace
- Define conventions for intercomponent communication (SAMP inside the web page?)