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VOSpace Standards and Implementation Notes

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Simple Sharable VOSpace download URL

The problem:

- VOSpace is a complex protocol that requires a smart client to do transfer negotiation
- Users want to share simple download URLs to give to collaborator
- Must be compatible with browsers, curl, wget
- Must be referenceable in publications, DOIs





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Protocol URI (and documentation!)

http://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/VOSpacePublicShare



VOSpacePublicShare

VOSpace public share protocol

This wiki page serves as the definition for a VOSpace transfer protocol for sharing node content.

The target use case is to enable users to get a simple URL that provides access to the node content using a simple HTTP GET request.

If a client includes the URI for this protocol in a PullFromVOSpace transfer request, then the endpoint URL in the VOSpace server response will contain a simple URL that provides HTTP GET access to the node content.

Basic requirements

- The endpoint URL MUST work with a simple HTTP GET request.
- The endpoint URL SHOULD be suitable for listing in a published paper.
- The endpoint URL SHOULD be suitable for sending to someone in an email.
- The endpoint URL MUST be able to be used multiple times by multiple clients.



VOSpacePublicShare (2)

Technical details

- The URL of this wiki page serves as the URI for this transfer protocol.
- This protocol SHOULD only valid for a PullFromVOSpace transfer request.
- The UWS transfer job will complete immediately.
- The endpoint URL MUST continue to be valid after the transfer job has completed.
- The endpoint URL path MUST end with a valid file name based on the node name.
- The header fields of a HTTP response to a HTTP GET requests MUST contain a valid file name based on the node name.
- The header fields of a HTTP response to a HTTP GET requests MUST an appropriate mime-type based on the node content.



VOSpacePublicShare (3)

Technical issues

Things that need to be discussed..

- What if the transfer request contains more than one protocol do the others remain valid even if this one has completed ?
- What happens if the node content changes ?
- Do we want to define a ZippedArchive view that can be used in combination with this protocol to download the contents of a ContainerNode as a zipfile ?

Things that probably go in a separate ProtectedShare protocol ...

- Do we want to add a property to control the URL lifetime ?
- Do we want to add a property to control the number of downloads allowed ?
- Do we want to add a property to control access ?



Using OpenCADC to implement VOSpace 2.1

http://www.github.com/opencadc

- Giuliano Taffoni, Sara Bertocco and INAF / OATS team have created a successful implementation of the OpenCADC VOSpace

OpenCADC VOSpace:

- Provides all metadata support in a relational database
- Provides all transfer negotiation support over UWS





cadc-vos: data model classes and client

cadc-vos-server: RESTful vospace interface for:

- /nodes node metadata
- /transfer /synctrans transfer negotiations
- /capabilities /availability /views /properties /protocols

cadc-test-vos: set of server integration and conformance tests



Newly ported to gradle

No more ant!

> gradle build

- Auto retrieval of dependencies
- Compile, compile test, run unit tests
- Integration testing manual



gradle build - runs automatically on pull requests

Pull request will fail if test fails

To support integration tests in github, we'll need auto deployment to a container running the VOSpace service



Supported Transfers

File Downloads (pullFromVoSpace):

- Public read access (anonymous)
- Owner
- Group protected read via GMS

File Uploads (pushToVoSpace):

- Owner
- Group protected writes via GMS



Transfer Generator Interface

When transfer requests are made, the cadc-vos code will call your transfer generator implementation to get the list of URLs for the pullFromVoSpace or pushToVoSpace request.

List<URL> getURLs(VOSURI target, Protocol protocol, View view, Job job, List<Parameter> additionalParams) throws FileNotFoundException, TransientException;



When the download or upload is complete, a call needs to be made to change the transfer job phase from EXECUTING to COMPLETE (or ERROR).

We will likely be changing the transfer generation behaviour so that the job is considered complete when the transfer details (URLs) have been generated.



We would like to switch to a plain Java servlet implementation

We found that RESTlet is difficult to configure and hides too many aspects of the HTTP request





There are too many ways to configure the VOSpace service implementation.



pullToVoSpace, pushFromVoSpace

Uploads and downloads directly from one VOSpace to another



Users and Contributions Welcome!

We would be happy to hold your hand in getting a VOSpace implementation running.





Some thoughts on how VOSpace can provide a nice interface to this problem...



Code To At Data - Node Views for FITS files

- view=cutout cutout=[2][1:100,1:100] [1]
- view=fhead [1]
- view=wcs (STC-S -> WCS) [2] [3]

[1] CFITSIO - http://heasarc.gsfc.nasa.gov/fitsio/fitsio.html
[2] fits2wcs - https://github.com/opencadc/wcs/tree/master/cadc-wcs
[3] WCS - http://www.atnf.csiro.au/people/mcalabre/WCS/



Code To At Data - Using capabilities

One may also use VOSpace capabilities to perform an operation on a file.

This differs from views in that the operation is performed immediately on file retrieval and only the result is saved on the Node.

Use cases: data reduction, metadata extraction



Dynamic code to data using views

http://server.example.com/vospace/nodes/myvospace/myData? view=codeToData& container=vos://example.com~vospace/myvospace/myDocker



Other code-to-data ideas?



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