Science Priorities

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IVOA Committee for Science Priorities



IVOA level

- Gathered from Astro community via national projects (in Europe via Euro-VO SAC and Science teams, and VO School feedback)
- current and past priority areas:
 - Time Series
 - Multi-dimensional Data (Radio/mm/IFU/simulation...)
 - Spectral Energy Distributions
 - Query by object classification and lists
 - Query via core observational parameters

current Science Priorities

Multi-dimensional Data

Radio astronomy, Integral Field Spectroscopy, high energy, polarization, simulation, data mining datasets + ...

Time Domain Astronomy

Time Series, light curves, transient event reports, +...

 Need to ensure that these are accessible and useable within the VO

Engagement with data producers

- IVOA Focus Sessions (Heidelberg 2013)
 engaged projects and surveys that produce
 and use multi-d and time domain data
- Invited presentations / Panel Discussions
- Part of IVOA process requirements, use cases, feedback from implementation.
 Follow-up technical WG sessions.

Tuesday	May 14 20	13		
5	09:00- 09:10	gHS	Focus session on multi-dimensional data - Introduction	Mark Allen (Session Chair)
	09:10– 09:30	gHS	CyberSKA	Russ Taylor
	09:30- 09:50	gHS	ALMA, JVLA, VLBA	Brian Glendenning
	09:50– 10:10	gHS	CALIFA	Mariya Lyubenova
	10:10– 10:30	gHS	MUSE	Thomas Martinsson
Wednes	day May 15	2013		
9	09:00– 09:10	gHS	Focus session on time domain astronomy - Introduction	Enrique Solano (Session Chair)
	09:10– 09:30	gHS	CoRoT, Kepler time series	Jonas Debosscher
	09:30- 09:50	gHS	Designs and Requirements for Time Domain Data in LSST	Mario Juric (LSST)
	09:50- 10:10	gHS	ASKAP/VAST	Paul Hancock
	10:10– 10:30	gHS	LOFAR Transients	John Swinbank
	10:30- 11:00	Break		

Goals/Results of Focus Sessions

- Summarize data being produced now
- Identify the metadata needed to discover, access, analyse these data
- Status of VO standards in these areas
- Identify implementation hurdles
- Identify desirable features in standards, services, tools

VO already in use/plans

- ALMA using OpenCADC TAP, voview, will use SAMP, ObsCore, SIAPv2
- CyberSKA VO access option via CADC
- CALIFA data access via TAP and SSA
- MUSE VO publishing via AstroWise
- ASKAP all data through VO protocols
- CoRoT avail from SVO, Kepler avail from MAST
- LOFAR VOEvent broker

 Identify the metadata needed to discover, access, analyse these data

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Radio - commonly 4-6D RA, Dec, freq/vel, pol, (time)
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Event lists: Time stamp, (x,y) -> (ra,dec), energy (freq, wave)
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IFU - 3D: ra, dec, wave

Polarization + auxillary data/models

PSF

IFU footprints - fibre size/pos/filling

Calibration, quality flags

Time

Data count statistics

ephemeris - position

spectral type, classification



period

Multi-d → negotiated minimal requirements for Data Cube Access

- Being pursued by projects. (VAO, Euro-VO [CDS])
- (Japan VO access to ALMA cubes)
- Demonstrations expected at Hawaii interop

• 1. Data Discovery (Query)

I need to be able query a data collection in the following manner: Give me a list of all observations that constraints:

- i. Select on RA,DEC
- ii. Select on Frequency/wavelength
- iii. Select on whether polarization measurements exist
- iv. Select on the spatial size of the observation
- v. Select on angular resolution
- vi. Select on Integration time
- vii. Select on Time of observation

This set of constraints returns a list of observations that satisfy the constraints.

2. Data Access

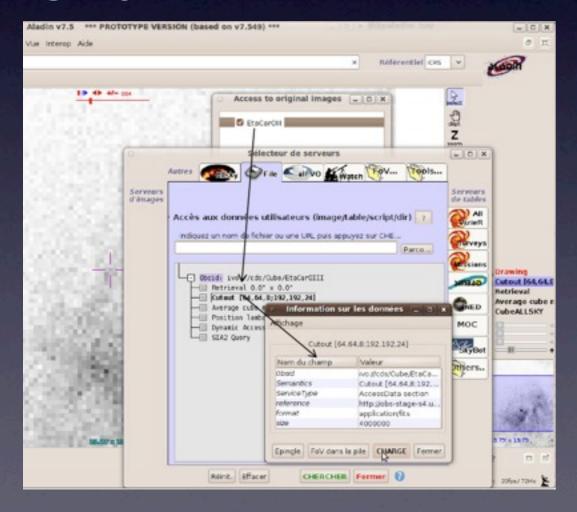
Once I have the list of observations that satisfy the constraints I examine it and I want to download subsets of the data:

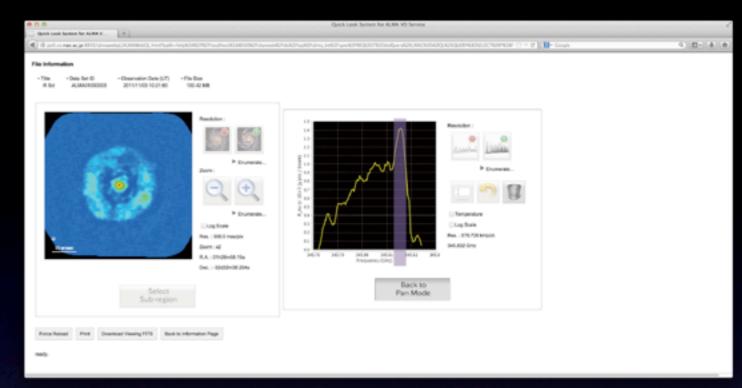
- i. Download all datasets in the returned table
- ii. Manually select a subset of data to download
- iii. **** above represent the MINIMAL requirements
- iv. ***** below are desirable features: they should be added to and prioritized
- v. Cutouts of subsets in any dimension of the data
- vi. Sum along any one or more axes
- vii. Re-bin in one or more axies
- viii. Multiply by a function

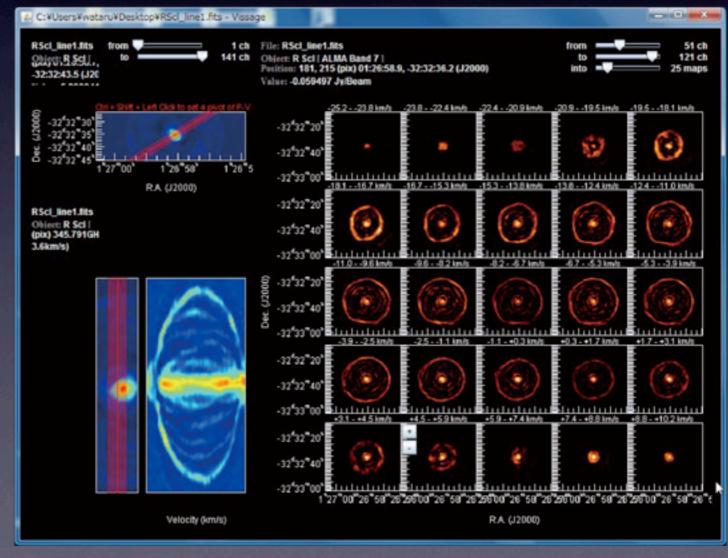


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Time Domain \rightarrow need to discuss near term goals

- Time Domain Interest Group
- Engagement with time domain community e.g. via
 Transient Universe meeting (Nov 2013)
- Need to discuss minimal requirements for Time Series Access

Euro-VO Science

- Good, but affected by reduced effort
- Spanish community has high rate of publishing 'VO' papers
- VO School successful, some tutorials renewed but more updates needed
- Importance recognized via ASTRONET infrastructure roadmap, but maintaining visibility important