

Using the UAT thesaurus to annotate catalogue descriptions in VizieR

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□ VizieR keywords

- Documentalists assign keywords to each VizieR catalogue (in ReadMe)
 - 305 ADC keywords
- These keywords are mapped in DB to a limited list of VizieR terms (76 terms for astronomy)

Abundances	Abundances
Abundances, [Fe/H]	Abundances
Abundances, peculiar	Abundances
Accretion	
Active gal. nuclei	AGN
Associations, stellar	Associations
Asteroids	Planets+Asteroids
Astrographic zones	
Astrometric data	Positional_Data
Atlases	
Atomic physics	Atomic_Data
Attitude determination	
BL Lac objects	BL_Lac_objects
Balmer lines	Photometry:narrow-band
Bibliography	
Binaries, X-ray	Binaries:cataclysmic
Binaries, X-ray	sources
Binaries, cataclysmic	Binaries:cataclysmic

□ VizieR keywords search

- Search by astronomy keyword



Find catalogs among 17294 available

Clear Find...

Expand search

? **Catalog**, author's name, word(s) from title, description, etc.
e.g.: AGN, Veron, I/239, or bibcodes...

► Search for catalogs by column descriptions (UCD) ?

► Search for catalogs containing additional data

Wavelength	Mission	Astronomy
Radio	AKARI	Abundances
IR	ANS	Ages
optical	ASCA	AGN
UV	BeppoSAX	Associations
EUV	CGRO	Asteroseismology
X-ray	Chandra	Atomic_Data
Gamma-ray	COBE	Binaries:cataclysmic


Search by Position across 18615 tables

Target Name (resolved by [Sesame](#)) or Position: Clear

J2000 2 arcmin Go!

Radius Box size



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□ VizieR keywords in Registry

- The VizieR keywords are used in the VOResource <subject> elements

– <content>

<subject>Open_Clusters</subject>

<subject>Spectral_Classification</subject>

<subject>Photometry:wide-band</subject>

- Pro : homogeneous description across all resources
- Con : limited vocabulary

□ UAT : Unified Astronomy Thesaurus

- <http://astrothesaurus.org/> 2018ApJS..236...24F
- See A. Accomazzi's presentation (10/2016)
 - <http://wiki.ivoa.net/internal/IVOA/InteropOct2016Semantics/UAT-Update2016.pdf>
- Current version 2 (January 2017)
 - v3 of thesaurus in preparation (planned 09/2018)
- Usage is broadening
 - Collaboration with AAS, journal editors
 - Classification of HST & JWST proposals
 - Recommended terms for <subject> from VOResource 1.1

□ Vizier to UAT mapping

- Nearly all terms have proper correspondance
- Good idea to change all Vizier catalogue <subject> to UAT terms
 - But keywords could be more precise
- Use UAT terms from the beginning in Vizier ?
 - Need to be integrated into ingestion pipeline
 - Training of Vizier documentalists