



VIRTUAL ASTRONOMICAL OBSERVATORY

Current status

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Standards update

- **Credential Delegation Protocol (CDP)**
 - IVOA Recommendation 18 February 2010
- **Universal Worker Service (UWS)**
 - RFC: 10/05/2009 – 11/05/2009
 - TCG Review: 02/17/2010 – 03/19/2010
 - Still awaiting (dis)approval from 6 WGs (05/16/2010)
 - Typos and minor corrections
- **VO Support Interface (VOSI)**
 - RFC: 04/09/2010 – 05/14/2010
 - Some clarification and restructuring required
- **WS Basic Profile**
 - RFC: 03/24/2010 – 04/28/2010
 - One set of comments so far – clarification and restructuring required



"Our standards are very high. We even have high double standards."



VOSpace 2.0: changes

- New Working Draft 03/23/2010
- Changes since last version (discussions and agreements from Strasbourg and Garching):
 - Corrected identifier resolution to HTTP endpoint
 - Sibling resources: properties, views, protocols, searches, nodes, transfers
 - Transfer representations include target URI
 - All data transfers – pushTo/pushFrom/pullTo/pullFromVoSpace, move and copy – now involve UWS
 - Added HTTP GET for a direct transfer (view = data): redirect allowed
 - Searches now involve UWS
 - Listings now a HTTP GET to a node (no more listings resource)



VOSpace 2.0: issues

- Added vos:group attribute to UWS Job representation:
 - When multiple protocols are specified, we may need to associate a particular *protocolEndpoint* parameter with its respective *protocol* parameter (pushFromVoSpace) but in UWS these are all uws:parameters (UWS cannot handle complex input structures):

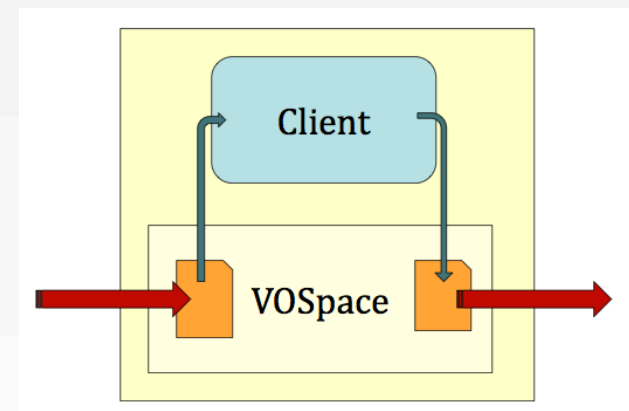

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<uws:parameters>
  <uws:parameter id="protocol">ivo://ivoa.net/vospace/core#httpput</uws:parameter>
  <uws:parameter id="protocolEndpoint">http://some.server.com/put/the/data/here</uws:parameter>
  <uws:parameter id="protocol">ivo://ivoa.net/vospace/core#ftpput</uws:parameter>
  <uws:parameter id="protocolEndpoint">ftp://some.other.server.com/put/the/data/here</uws:parameter>
</uws:parameters>
```
 - The attribute should appear on both parameters and have the same value for a particular *protocol - protocolEndpoint* pairing.


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<uws:parameters>
  <uws:parameter id="protocol" vos:group="protocol1">ivo://ivoa.net/vospace/core#httpput</uws:parameter>
  <uws:parameter id="protocolEndpoint" vos:group="protocol1">http://some.server.com/put/the/data/here</uws:parameter>
  <uws:parameter id="protocol" vos:group="protocol2">ivo://ivoa.net/vospace/core#ftpput</uws:parameter>
  <uws:parameter id="protocolEndpoint" vos:group="protocol2">ftp://some.other.server.com/put/the/data/here</uws:parameter>
</uws:parameters>
```
 - For an internal data transfer, this parameter is not required.
- Missing node hierarchy diagram
- Schema bugs
- WSDL (2.0)/WADL?



VOPipe

- Motivation:
 - Stream data efficiently using VOSpaces
 - Like async messaging but with performance
 - Chain VOSpaces into data-flows
 - Easy dynamic setup for specific tasks
- Simple interface
 - CreatePipe (src, dest)
 - DestroyPipe (pipe)
 - WriteChunk (pipe, name)
 - ReadChunks (pipe, timeout, state)
- Model as UWS
 - Add /pipes resource to VOspace





What's next

- Address RFC comments on UWS, VOSI and WSBP
- Registry extension schema for VOSpace
- VOpipe
- VOSpace + Provenance DM
- VOSpace + SAMP
- VOSpaceProxy
- UWS-PA
- SAWSDL?

