Moscow Interop

Data Models: Plenary-1

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Data Models Status

- Main active work since Victoria Interop:
 - Spectrum data model (top priority)
 - New DM document, minor feedback to incorporate
 - Waiting for SSA Protocol doc
 - Characterization
 - Incorporated feedback since Victoria
 - STC
 - V1.30 schema updated; Arnold still working on doc
 - New 'abstract data model' doc
 - Atomic Line
 - Propose moving to PR now

Moscow Goals

- Spectrum
 - Take final (?) comments, move to PR
- Characterization
 - Review steps to PR
- STC -
 - still waiting for final doc
- Atomic Line
 - No action here; get the doc through the PR process?

Data Models Next Steps

- Working on software implementations
- Reuse small component models
 - Characterization/Coverage
 - Curation
 - Accuracy
 - DataID, Target
- Issue as separate docs?
 - for discussion

STC

- Simple coord transforms added (Bonnarel) consistent with WCS
- Schema hierarchy improved
- Abstract DM document from JCM
- AR nearly finished working draft

Spectrum

- New document version 0.98c
- http://hea-www.harvard.edu/~jcm/vo/docs/spec98/spec98c.pdf
- Changes since last Interop:
 - Made changes agreed in Victoria
 - Major reorganization of document:
 - consistency of nomenclature
 - clarification of characterization vs data
 - consolidated list of utypes
 - overall clarification
 - Minor modifications to XML and FITS serializations
- Doug and I believe this is ready for PR with minor edits
- R. Thompson and A. Richards submitted comments, will incorporate

Spectrum

- Changes that need to be made:
 - Method to identify serialization type (MIME?)
 - MUST/SHOULD/MAY (now only have MUST/MAY)
 - Do we have consensus on allowed units?
 - Some cleanup and clarification for FITS serialization
 - Minor technical details based on feedback

Characterization

- Defined MUST, SHOULD, MAY for each item of metadata
 - Richards, Louys, Bonnarel
 - Helps data providers see what is essential
- Added examples
- New version of document will be released by end of Sep
- New version of XML schema (Bonnarel) with full compatibility with STC
- Reviewing compatibility with Source catalog model (Osuna)