AIDA WP4 Input

Service Activities in support of provision of VOenabled services to the science community

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WP4 Input: picked up here and there*

The Most Wanted

- "Undo", "Save", "Record", the three most requested features currently missing from the majority of VO tools and applications
- more scripting!
- suggestion to have an installation script that would allow installing all the VO applications in one step



Queries

- multi-object, multi-resource, one single output: many applications are already implementing the feature
- ▶ query by object type or object properties ("give me all AGN with X-ray detections and Bmag>21"): not there yet ...
- ▶ search within a box, i.e. "return all objects within minmax(RA), minmax(Dec): no tool (?) can do this



Cross-correlations

- need for tools that can perform very large cross-correlations (e.g. 2MASS with SDSS)
- ▶ repeated requests for extending the cross-correlation capabilities beyond positional cross-match

But are any of the two really within the scope of the VO?



Random pick

- ▶ TOPCAT: delete (column or subset)
- ▶ Aladin: Images WCS issues
- ▶ VOSpec: multi-object queries
- ▶ VOSED: more services; documentation!
- ▶ VODesktop: concatenation of output files for a multi-resource query

Full revised list from IST/dev meeting available upon request



- need for a mechanism to provide formal scientific input to the EURO-VO project
- → VO schools and VO days are very good in that respect: great interaction between scientists/real users and developers
- → a full-day AIDA IST/developers meeting took place in November; we need to find a way of having more such meeting even after AIDA is over

