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TAP protocol and EPN-TAP

- **TAP Table access Protocol is for accessing table in relational database.**
- It come from IVOA**



- **It use an SQL like language called ADQL**
- **It handle polygon intersect and inclusion but using ICRS like coordinate, no projection**
- **It support Synchronous and asynchronous query**
- **All TAP services are registered in IVOA registry and can be discovered in a standard way.**

- **Each row on the table is a define parameter describe in**

<https://voparis-confluence.obspm.fr/display/VES/EPNcore+v2>

- **Vespa use a predifine list of mandatory parameters + a number of otionals**
 - **It allow same queries on all services**
 - **The parameters (metadata) used a common decription and unit.**
 - **It's firstly coverage in time, spectrum, space + standard description of target, instrument, ...**

EPN-TAP implementation

As it's a complex work to implement all IVOA TAP requirement we use DaCHS on of the two implementation framework.

<http://soft.g-vo.org/dachs>

DaCHS have easy install on Linux Debian Stable distribution :

<https://voparis-confluence.obspm.fr/display/VES/Implementing+a+VESPA+service>

<http://docs.g-vo.org/DaCHS/install.html>

- **It allow you to publish a table/view called epn_core using an existing database**

EPN-TAP service implementation

**As you have promote the table in the database,
you must describe the content in DaCHS using a
specific file q.rd (xml syntax)**

https://github.com/epn-vespa/DaCHS-for-VESPA/tree/master/q.rd_examples

See also the DaCHS online documentation

**If you use an existing table or view the syntax to
ingest metadata in DaCHS is
gavo imp -m q.rd**

EPN-TAP service validation

As your service is ready please validate the structure of the output

Go to : <http://voparis-validator.obspm.fr/>

Select EPN-TAP2 and Load

Replace in query : select * from

By : select * from <MySchema>.epn_core

Fill URL of the service to validate

By : <http://<URLofMyservice>/tap>

Validate

**As you want your service to be discovered by all
the VO Clients : Vespa, TapHandle, Topcat ...
You must declare it in the registry.**

Two solutions :

**Use DaCHS facilities, follow the (in construction)
Tutorial :**

<https://voparis-confluence.obspm.fr/display/VES/Registering+your+VESPA+EPN-TAP+Server>

Go to a One of the two open registries

http://registry.euro-vo.org/eurovo/#landing_page

<http://nvo.stsci.edu/vor10/xpublish.aspx>

EPN-TAP Evolution

**To take advantage of facilities given by DaCHS we will describe the mixin procedure to ingest directly in the database the metadata :
From a csv file or directly from the data if data format is standard**