1. TAPRegExt

(vgl. Fig. 1)

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(vgl. Fig. 2)

- What’s basically there
- Single key enumeration
- Language features

2. What are we talking about?

TAPRegExt extends VOResource’s capability type to describe TAP services. This is important in (at least) two places:

1. Registry records for TAP services
2. The content of the . . ./capabilities endpoint and the getCapabilities response of a TAP server

It’s already produced by several servers and consumed by TOPCAT.

3. What’s basically there

```xml
<dataModel ivo-id="ivo://ivoa.net/std/ObsCore-1.0">
  <ObsCore 1.0 /></dataModel>

<outputFormat
  ivo-id="ivo://ivoa.net/TAPRegExt#output-votable-binary">
  <mime>application/x-votable+xml</mime>
  <alias>votable</alias>
</outputFormat>

<uploadMethod
  ivo-id="ivo://ivoa.org/TAPRegExt#upload-https" />

<outputLimit>
  <default unit="rows">2000</default>
  <hard unit="rows">2000000</hard>
</outputLimit>

outputFormat now has an optional ivo-id attribute, and the ivo-ids of the upload methods have changed; more on this below.

In the way of limits, there’s also uploadLimit (of which there’s only a hard one), retentionPeriod and executionDuration; those sport default and hard as well, but units are fixed to seconds.

4. Single Key Enumeration

There is now a StandardsRegExt resource record for TAPRegExt containing a StandardKeyEnumeration for all things defined within TAPRegExt (rather than a standalone enumeration for upload methods as before).

Currently, we have keys for

- Upload methods (upload-inline, upload-http, etc.)
- Output formats (output-votable-td, etc., only where a MIME may not be enough)
- Feature types (features-udf, features-adql-geo)

Do we want features-refsystems? Should that enumeration go into the TAP resource record?
5. Language Features

In Napoli, we had a `userDefinedFunction` element as a child of `language`. It turned out we wanted more flexibility. Mark Taylor came up with the concept of the language feature:

```xml
<languageFeatures
  type="ivo://ivoa.net/TAPRegExt#features-udf">
  <feature>
    <form>
      gavo_match(pattern TEXT, string TEXT) -> INTEGER
    </form>
    <description>gavo_match returns 1 if ...</description>
  </feature>
</languageFeatures>
```

Thus, a language feature enumeration has a mandatory type defining what each item is. A feature has a form, which is a “formal”, machine-oriented representation of the feature, and optionally a description targeted at humans.

6. Open Questions

- Do we want to define `features-refsystems`?
- Should the enumeration be in a TAP RR? Or as separate RRs?
- Should we have sample queries?
- Your question here.

And then: RFC?

The document source is maintained within Volute; you’ll find the resource record there, too.