

Simulation Output in the VO MODEL

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- Currently, observers usually request simulations directly from theorists (and vice versa) for comparison.
- Ideally, published simulations would be immediately available to anyone. The VO could be a host for simulation output, just as it is for observations.

Observation - Theory Comparison

- Star Formation Taste-Testing:
<http://www.cfa.harvard.edu/~agoodman/tastetests/>
- Cosmological Simulations:
<http://governator.ucsc.edu/simulations/>
- Others: Millennium (<http://www.mpa-garching.mpg.de/millennium/>)
Galmerg: (<http://galmer.obspm.fr/>)

Star Formation Taste-Tests

- Site where comparisons between observations and simulations of star formation regions can be discussed.
- Possibly linked with CADAC: <http://cadac.sdsc.edu/>, where simulations will be hosted and tools are provided for analysis (Padoan, Norman, UCSD)
- Also, statistical tools used in analyses will be available (and discussed) here. e.g. Dendrograms (Goodman et al. 2009, Nature, 457, 7225, 63)

Cosmological Simulations

- Galaxy interactions and evolution (Cox, Hernquist, et al.)
- Comparison of SEDs, morphology, etc... (<http://governator.ucsc.edu/simulations/>)

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- Websites/repositories are now providing access to some simulations. However, no standard format yet exists.
- Enter the VO?