UnitDB

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Unit.Iternet.edu

Browse interface: http://unit.lternet.edu/unitregistry/

- View usage of units by other sites
- View REST-request
- Export STMML markup for EML

Management interface: http://unit.lternet.edu/unitregistry/secure/login.php

- Add, drop units
- Edit,deprecate
- Export STMML markup for EML

Overview

Data model layer: MySQL 5.5

Abstraction Layer, Service Layer: PHP 5

Web Interface (http://unit.lternet.edu): PHP 5, JavaScript

Documentation

Technical:

http://im.lternet.edu/news/committees/working_groups/unit_dictionary/technical_documents

Technical specs (update, ERD)

Developer guide (using REST)

Best Practices:

Unit Dictionary practice and content documents: http://im.lternet.edu/node/572

Usage of the registry itself

Unit construction

Use cases

Integration with site information system via web web service Example: compare quantities of two units, eg, for a plot.

Verification for units entered to a local system, manually (web interface), preset machine-readable query

Example: check examines/compares to registry, and alerts if deprecated

Mechanism for the usage to be tracked within and across a the community Example: Group 2 adopts unit of group 1, and together manage its definition

Goal for today

Understand how UnitsDB is currently used

- Machine connections?
- Manual usage?