Coordinated Reuse and Deployment for Scientific Software Prototypes with D-UEA-ST

Overview

D-UEA-ST (pronounced due east) is a plugin architecture that enables easy development of scientific software prototypes aimed at supporting software developers. Prototypes are developed as D-UEA-ST plugins that make use of knowledge representation models, reasoners and optimisers, and visualisation APIs.

D-UEA-ST also defines a clear workflow that allows for continuous integration and deployment. This makes it easy for target users to try the tools and for researchers to get rapid feedback.

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Deployment and Usage

D-UEA-ST is itself an Eclipse plugin, which makes distribution of research software easy. Developers who wish to use a software prototype simply download D-UEA-ST as a drop-in or subscribe to an update site.

D-UEA-ST comes with full continuous integration support via Bitbucket and Jenkins, allowing for group based development and rapid deployment.

Research groups can create their own instance of D-UEA-ST and extend its architecture to tailor their reuse and research prototypes delivery.

Development using D-UEA-ST

Researchers developing prototypes based on their research with D-UEA-ST get access to a large range of existing libraries in its architecture that help with knowledge representation, data analysis and visualisation.

The D-UEA-ST architecture defines explicit APIs and plugin communication mechanisms that enables access to functionality of other software prototypes. This mechanism further enhances reuse possibilities while keeping code dependency to a minimum.

The Threadr parallelisation framework allows for easy to use parallel execution of independent analysis tasks, even if the source is not thread-safe. Distributr offers support to run these tasks on any number of remote machines with a direct network connection to the host.

http://seg.cmp.uea.ac.uk/software/dueast/