VVV Survey - ESO Phase 3 - Data Release 3

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Abstract

The VVV Survey data delivered to ESO in the Phase 3 Data Release 2 (DR2) includes the VISTA paw-print and tile images that were processed by the Cambridge Astronomical Survey Unit (CASU). These data files were successfully uploaded via the Phase 3 to the ESO Archive before April 30, 2013. The data are from ESO programme 179.B-2002, with the VIRCAM instrument, using ZYJHKs filters, including multiple epochs in the Ks band, with total sky coverage of 540 sqdeg.

This 3rd batch of the "VVV" collection is a minor addition to DR1 containing 24 VISTA/VIRCAM tile images taken and the 24 associated single band tile catalogues. These data were accidentally excluded from the previously published DR1 data (obtained between Sep 2009 and Sep 2010) due to interruptions in the process of uploading the large data volume to the ESO archive. These 24 tiles are included within the completeness totals provided in the published DR1 and DR2 release descriptions. The data include 1 Y band tile, 10 J band tiles, 2 H band tiles and 11 Ks band tiles.
The 24 tiles and sources lists were added to the ESO archive on 13.03.2014 to complete the data release.

Overview of Observations

This Phase 3 release contains observations up to 31 October 2012 with all the approved data from CASU v1.2 pipeline reduction, including images and merged source catalogs. We call this DR2 for internal consistency. The list for this Phase 3 DR2 has 5327 tile images. If we count these plus associated confidence maps and catalogues they are approximately 22 TB of data.

DR2 includes the multi-wavelength data, i.e. images and cataloges in the 5 broad band filters. Table 1 and 2 contain the number of observations in each of those 5 filters. We note, that although Y,Z,J and H-band were only scheduled to be observed once several of the observations were obtained, due to degrading observing conditions during the execution of a given concatenation of several tiles. This leads to the repetition of the complete concatenation and hence to multiple observations for individual tiles. For further reference we note also that this policy has been changed by ESO to avoid the unnecessary repetition of tiles. On the other hand the quality control by the VVV survey team has rejected numerous data sets, i.e. The DR2 is missing observations in each of the filters, although their

observational status was set to 'Completed' after the execution of the observation. This is in particular true for the Y and Z- band observations, with lower seeing limits and stricter constraints for the angular moon distance. In addition and corresponding to the Survey Management Plan P87 added 13 Ks- band observations to the bulge tiles and 8 Ks-band observations to the disk. P89 focused on the bulge only with up to 55 epochs in the Ks band (total maximum including P85, P87, P89 is 68 epochs). The total number of Ks- epochs included in DR2, independent on whether they were scheduled for P85, P87,or P89 are also given in the Table 1 and 2 (see below). This includes the one additional epoch for each tile from the multi-color observations. Due to the time required to process the data with the CASU data pipeline and the QC the data available in DR2 varies strongly from the number of observations completed by ESO, e.g. Only 10 Ks- band epochs are available for tiles b293 and b294, although those were observed 61 times by the end of P89. We caution that this is the second data release, and even though we checked the data quality, the large data volume implies that the quality control is continuing, and that there would be images that need to be reprocessed or reacquired.

The VVV photometric dataset is divided into different disk and bulge tiles. The tile nomenclature goes from d001 to d152 in the disk, and from b201 to b396 in the bulge. The coordinates of the tile centers are listed in Tables 1 and 2 below, for the bulge and disk, respectively. We list these coordinates because they were not included in the release description of our DR1. These Tables contain the tile ID, Equatorial coordinates RA and DEC (J2000), and Galactic coordinates l and b in degrees, as well as the number of observations in each of the 5 filters available in DR2. The map with the field IDs is shown in Figures 1a and 1b, overlapped on the extinction map of the inner Milky Way from Schlegel et al. 1997.

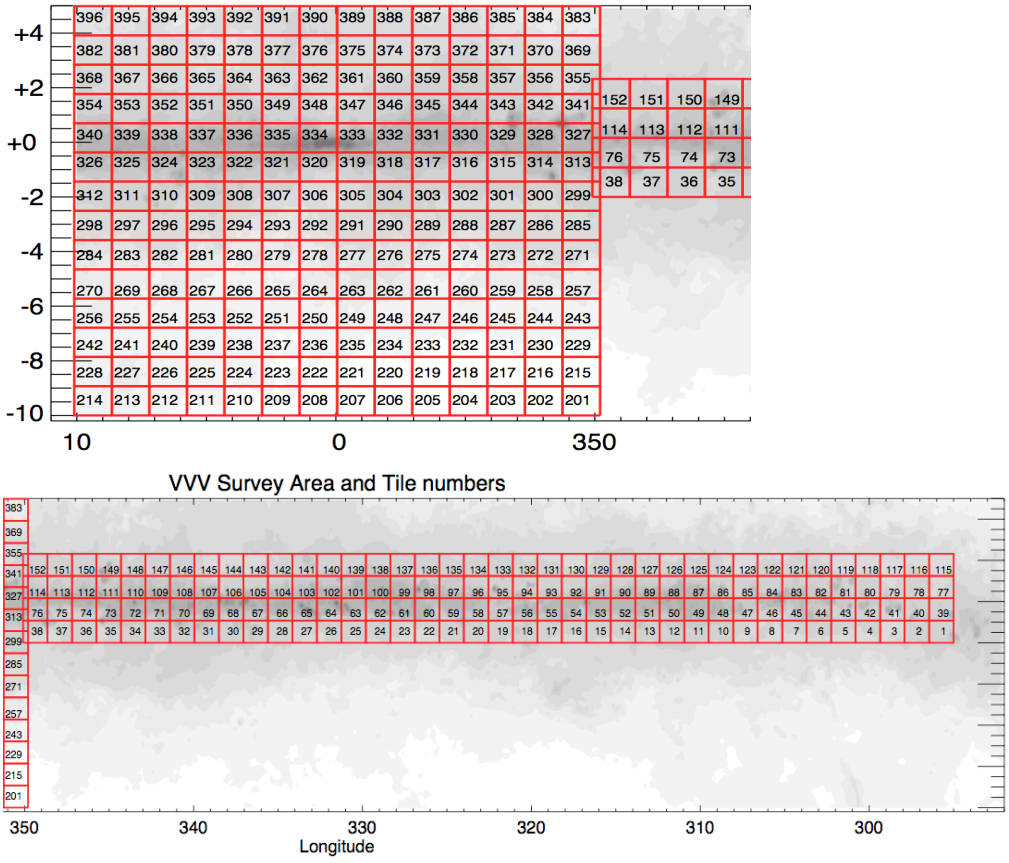

Figure 1. Maps showing the VVV tile numbers for: (a) bulge; and (b) disk.

TABLE 1: Bulge Tiles

ID	RA(J2000.0)	DEC(2000.0)	Longitude	Latitude	Y	Z	J	H	Ks
b201	18 04 24.384	-41 44 53.520	350.74816	-9.68974	1	1	1	1	11
b202	18 08 00.144	-40 27 29.880	352.22619	-9.68971	1	1	1	1	8
b203	18 11 29.496	-39 09 52.920	353.70409	-9.68973	1	1	1	1	10
b204	18 14 52.992	-37 52 03.360	355.18207	-9.68974	1	1	1	1	7
b205	18 18 11.136	-36 34 02.640	356.66012	-9.68976	2	1	1	1	6
b206	18 21 24.360	-35 15 52.200	358.13813	-9.68975	1	1	1	1	8
b207	18 24 33.096	-33 57 33.480	359.61607	-9.68977	1	1	1	1	8
b208	18 27 37.728	-32 39 07.200	1.09399	-9.68974	0	1	1	1	8
b209	18 30 38.640	-31 20 34.080	2.57200	-9.68971	0	1	1	1	9
b210	18 33 36.168	-30 01 55.560	4.04998	-9.68973	1	1	1	1	10
b211	18 36 30.624	-28 43 12.360	5.52796	-9.68978	0	0	1	1	7
b212	18 39 22.272	-27 24 25.200	7.00593	-9.68975	4	4	0	1	9
b213	18 42 11.424	-26 05 34.800	8.48396	-9.68974	4	3	1	1	13
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b227	18 37 42.912	-25 39 56.880	8.42977	-8.59756	4	3	1	1	14
b228	18 40 32.088	-24 21 21.960	9.90350	-8.59757	1	1	2	2	17
b229	17 54 12.456	-40 42 07.560	350.74383	-7.50542	0	0	1	1	8
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TABLE 2: Disk Tiles

ID	RA(J2000.0)	DEC(2000.0)	Longitude	Latitude	Y	Z	J	H	Ks
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d002	11 56 12.576	-63 52 21.000	296.89672	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	15
d003	12 09 17.184	-64 08 46.680	298.35572	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	13
d004	12 22 35.184	-64 20 48.120	299.81470	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	13
d005	12 36 02.640	-64 28 18.840	301.27373	-1.6497	1	2	1	1	13
d006	12 49 35.184	-64 31 14.880	302.73271	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	13
d007	13 03 08.352	-64 29 34.440	304.19170	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	11
d008	13 16 37.632	-64 23 18.240	305.65072	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	11
d009	13 29 58.632	-64 12 30.240	307.10972	-1.6497	6	6	1	1	12
d010	13 43 07.272	-63 57 15.840	308.56873	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	12
d011	13 55 59.856	-63 37 42.600	310.02772	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	12
d012	14 08 33.240	-63 14 00.240	311.48673	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	12
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d015	14 43 42.144	-61 40 33.960	315.83598	-1.6497	1	1	3	3	16
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d018	15 15 11.880	-59 36 30.600	320.21293	-1.6497	3	1	1	1	13
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d020	15 33 59.400	-57 59 54.600	323.13095	-1.6497	1	2	7	7	22
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d022	15 51 06.576	-56 14 02.400	326.04898	-1.6497	1	1	2	2	19
d023	15 59 04.920	-55 18 04.320	327.50799	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	14
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d025	16 13 56.640	-53 20 51.360	330.42599	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	11
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d027	16 27 29.400	-51 17 30.840	333.34393	-1.6497	2	2	3	2	10
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d029	16 39 52.248	-49 08 58.920	336.26199	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	14
d030	16 45 40.128	-48 03 01.800	337.72099	-1.6497	1	1	2	2	15
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d032	16 56 33.720	-45 48 11.160	340.63896	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	9
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d035	17 11 22.032	-42 19 39.720	345.01595	-1.6497	3	3	1	1	11
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d038	17 24 38.352	-38 45 04.320	349.39294	-1.6497	1	1	1	1	6
d039	11 45 52.488	-62 28 17.400	295.43747	-0.5575	1	1	3	3	17
d040	11 58 14.160	-62 48 15.120	296.89617	-0.5575	1	1	1	1	13
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d052	14 29 03.312	-61 14 12.480	314.40014	-0.5576	1	1	1	1	13
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d066	16 28 57.360	-49 28 10.560	334.82153	-0.5575	1	1	2	2	11
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d152	17 11 14.064	-36 49 15.240	349.44260	1.6267	1	1	1	1	8

Release Content

The VVV Survey observations planned for Year 1 (March - October 2010) comprised JHKs maps as first priority, ZY maps as second priority, and 5 epochs in the Ks-band to test for variability, for the entire bulge and disk fields (all 348 tiles covering >540 deg^2). The VVV Survey Year 1 data is now complete in all filters. This means that the multicolor map of the VVV survey region is now available (see references). The Year 2 (March – October 2011) and later observations follow the same pattern, but were acquired only in the Ks-band. The number of epochs observed varies from tile to tile due to the different observational constraints, visibility and of course the results of the final QC. The number of epochs observed varies from tile to tile due to the different observational constraints, visibility and of course the results of the final QC.

The files for this VVV Survey DR2 include images and their respective photometric catalogues that have passed the Quality Control (QC), i.e. only higher quality data are being included in this DR2. For the Phase 3 we defined the list of data files that pass all the quality and calibration checks in order to be released, and at the same time defined a list of deprecated images, or re-reduced/re-calibrated some acceptable files.

These Ks observations were intended to test the variability search techniques, and to provide a long term baseline for stellar variability (e.g. microlensing, long term variable sources), as well as for proper motions. At time of writing this report there are still observations pending from Year 2 (15%) and 3 (50%).

With respect to the observing schedule (Obs submitted including P85, P87 and P89) the various observation have the following completeness:

Bulge:
JHKs: 196 out of 196 fields completed = 100% (in all three filters)
YZ: 196 out of 196 = 100% (in both filters)
VAR: 2413 out of 18*196 (3540) = 68.1% OBs completed

Disk:
JHKs: 152 out of 152 fields completed = 100% (in all three filters)
YZ : 152 out of 152 = 100% (in both filters)
VAR: 760 out of 5x 152 (760) = 100% OBs completed

The total number of epochs observed for each individual tile and available in DR2 is shown in the above tables as well as in Figure 2.

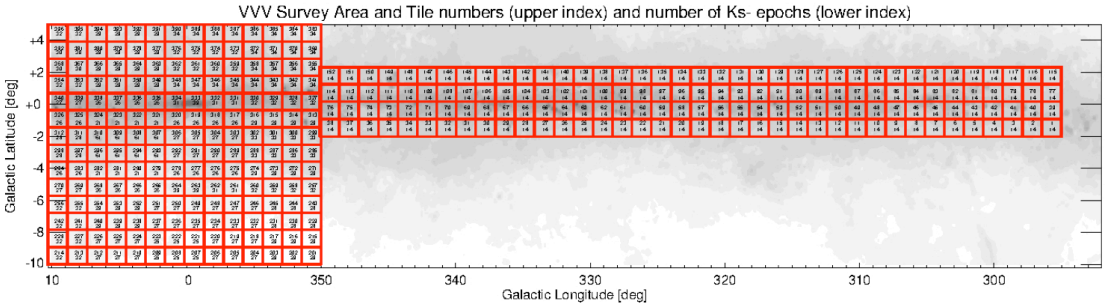

Figure 2: Number of epochs (in Ks) as completed by October 31, 2012. Those observations, combined with the now completed Y,Z,J and H-band data are part of DR2.

Data Quality

The Quality Control is similar to the one described in the previous DR1 document, but is now based on the data reduced with the new CASU pipeline v1.2. The same words of caution as before apply: this intense QC activity is continuing, and even though we checked the images for defects, we are still identifying images that need to be reprocessed or reacquired. We note that DR2 is the last data release based on the CASU pipeline v1.2. The new v1.3 was released in 2013 and will be used in the next data release (details can be found at http://apm49.ast.cam.ac.uk/surveys-projects/vista/data-processing/version-log.

The Quality Control for the Phase 3 data was performed with involvement of ESO and of most of the scientists from the VVV Survey Science Team. We checked image defects, telescope problems, seeing, zero points, magnitude limits, ellipticities, airmass, etc. Algorithmic quality control cuts to remove images with low zero points (after correcting for the seasonal trend), seeing that was significantly outside specification, or high average ellipticity were also applied. There are a number of well known image defects intrinsic to VISTA, many of which are illustrated with pictures in the CASU and VVV web pages (document vvv_defects.pdf).

The limiting magnitudes are similar to the ones for DR1 since we cover the same fields. Maps of limiting magnitudes are given in Saito et al. (2012). In addition, the calibration of the VVV Survey photometry was investigated as function of crowding in the bulge and disk fields, using the overlap regions between some consecutive tiles as described in the DR1 document release.

The VVV saturation limit ranges between Ks=10- 12. mag, with Year 1 disk observations featuring a fainter saturation limit due to the slightly longer exposure time, e.g. DITKs=10s in multi-color observations, as compared for DITKs=4s in variability study. The large spread in saturation limit for the bulge tiles is due to variations in crowding (e.g. in high density fields like the Galactic center (tile b333) the saturation limit is Ks=11 mag) and dust extinction. For brighter magnitudes the 2MASS photometry should be preferred. The photometric limit is typically Ks=17.5mag, but in high density fields like the in the Galactic center region it can be Ks<16 mag (see photometric completeness in Saito et al. 2012).

The photometric source lists contain calibrated aperture photometry, and the limiting magnitudes correspond to the aperture photometry. For some specific scientific purposes it would be more

convenient to obtain psf- photometry, or differential image photometry on the processed paw-print images, which can give better and deeper photometry in the most
crowded regions.

Known Issues

It is important to repeat the warnings: we are finding differences of up to 0.1 mag in some of the photometric calibrations of the disk and bulge fields with respect to 2MASS, which are not surprising. We note that eventually in these regions the VVV would be better calibrated and more homogeneous than 2MASS, because “The 2MASS Survey has no Level 1 Specifications in the Galactic Plane with regard to completeness, reliability, and photometric accuracy”.

We would like to issue proper warnings about these DR2 data. For example, the data of this release are well calibrated nightly and agree with 2MASS (in the cases that it does not we suspect that 2MASS is the problem). Looking at the ZPs, we include the J, H and Ks tiles in the release that are within 0.1 mag of the average (after correcting for the seasonal trend with time). However, the Z and Y calibrations are still imperfect, with their ZPs showing more scatter and in some cases 0.1 mag below the trends. The full global quality checks must wait for the future releases where we can use the overlap regions for every tile, and use sql searches to pick the regions with strange color-magnitude diagrams.

Note that even though the photometric and astrometric calibration is all done relative to 2MASS, with greater uncertainty in the Z and Y bands, these calibrations are field dependent. For example, the limiting magnitude achieved is different depending on the fields and photometric technique used.

Data Format

File Types

The types of files are similar to the previous DR1 from the VVV Survey. They are described in the DR1 document and in the paper by Saito et al. 2012.

Acknowledgments

Please use the following statement in your articles when using these data:
Based on data products from VVV Survey observations made with the VISTA telescope at the ESO Paranal Observatory under programme ID 179.B-2002.

Further Details

More detailed information can be found at:

- the CASU webpages

http://casu.ast.cam.ac.uk/surveys-projects/vista/

- in particular

http://casu.ast.cam.ac.uk/surveys-projects/vista/data-processing/version-log

(to follow-up on the changes between the CASU pipeline v1.2 used in DR2, and v1.3 which will be used henceforth).

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