Scientific Council 2013 VizieR



Summary

- 1) Contents and usage (Pierre Ocvirk)
- 2) Work accomplished since the last scientific council (Gilles Landais)
- 3) The VizieR Photometry tool (Thomas Boch)

VizieR

Vizier is the service which gives a unified access to a very large collection of astronomical catalogues & associated data:

- Reference catalogues & surveys of astronomical sources in all wavelengths (e.g. SDSS, 2MASS, UCAC, WISE)
- Tables from papers published in the major astronomical journals
- → A large variety of astronomical data: astronomical sources, spectra, polarization data, but also models (evolutionary, populations, synthetic spectra, ...), statistical analyses, compilations, ...

... but with homogenized descriptions (metadata)

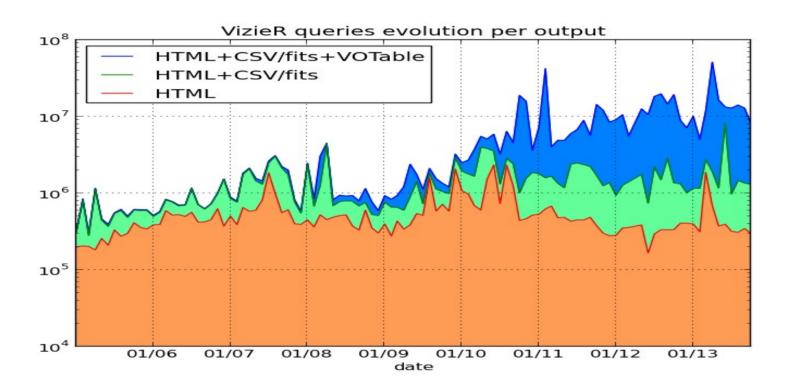
Current data contents

- → VizieR contains 11,573 catalogues
- → The biggest catalogue : GAIA Gums 2,143,475,885 records

	2012	2013
Catalogs	10,357	11,573
Tables	22,285	24,928
Columns	317,202	361,614
Rows with positions(without GAIA Gums and obsoletes)	9.25 G	9.37 G
[obsolete]	+2.05G	+2.5G
GAIA Gums	+2.1G	+2.1G
Rows with positions	13.4	14.1G

VizieR statistics

→ Queries number average per day : ~500,000



VizieR ingestion statistics

- Number of catalogues ingested since the last scientific council: ~1100 (~3 per day)
- → 5 new large catalogues ingested since 01/01/2013:

January:

SPM4 (~987,000 queries)

OGLE BULGE (~82,000 queries)

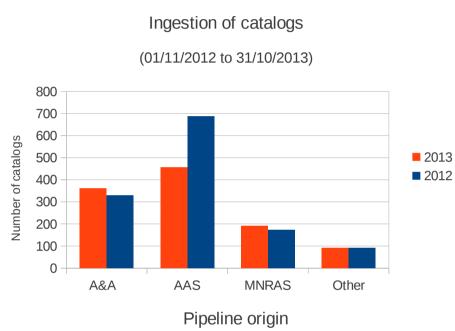
SAGE-Archive (~46,000 queries)

March:

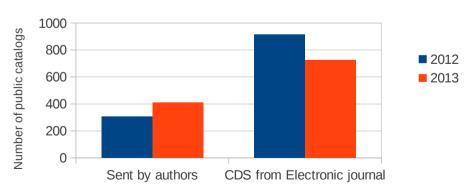
SDSS DR9 (~1,208,000 queries)

May:

UKIDSS(LAS, GCS, DXS) DR9 (~134,000 queries)

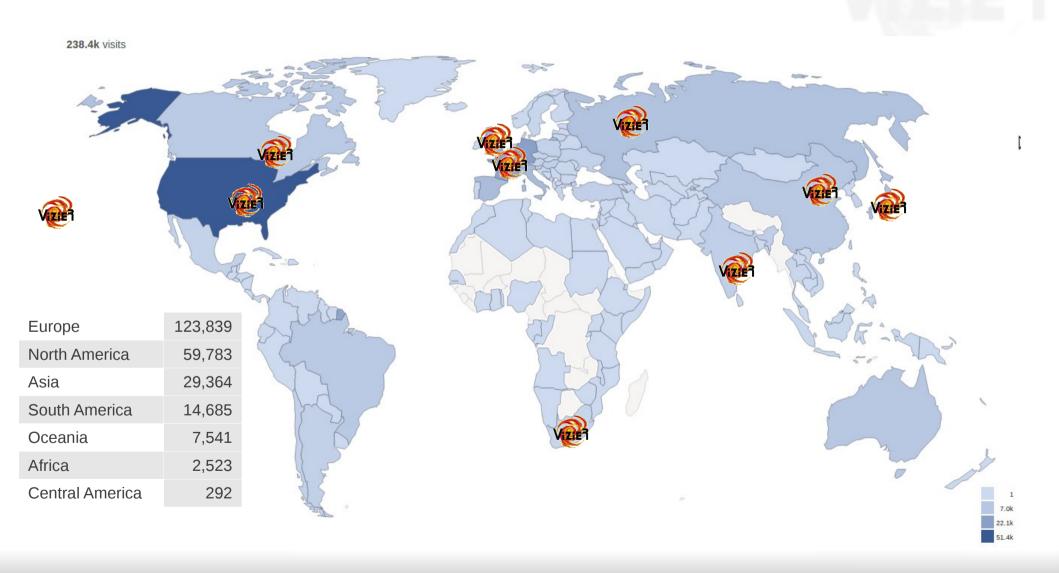






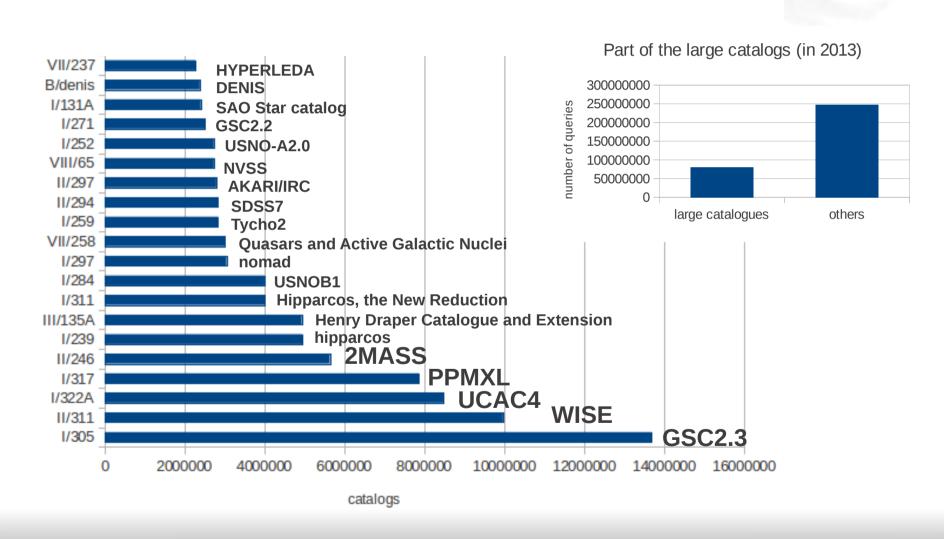
Query repartition (Jan 2013 – Oct 2013)

(coming from the VizieR web pages)



The VizieR catalogues popularity

The VizieR TOP 20 of catalogs (in 2013)



Work accomplished in 2013

- TAPVizieR is available @ http://tapvizier.u-strasbg.fr/adql/
 (poster @ADASS 2012 and talk in the Interop meeting)
 - → Allows SQL-like queries
 - A dedicated database synchronized from the VizieR database
 - → A simple user interface
- Photometry: Photometry computed among 2241 catalogues
 - → Adjustments in the pipeline to detect the filters used according to the columns name, UCD, etc.
 - Photometry plotter (Thomas & Anne-Camille)
- → A new mirror in South Africa (SAAO) is being implemented (collab. S. Barway SAAO)
- And other minor updates and maintenance actions ...

Work accomplished in 2013

Technicals improvements:

- Working with 64-bits integer to store identifiers or flags from large catalogues
- The VizieR main site in CDS uses a PosgreSQL database instead of Sybase
- Improve the service quality
 - with logging (log the database updates)
 - → Improve the supervision (nagios)

Associated data in VizieR (inventory)

Search for associated data in VizieR:

- Different kinds of non-tabular data available in the catalogue, frequently illustrated with plots
- Also: photometric data which can be included in Vizier Photometric viewer



Additional data type		
time series	1067	
spectra	365	
images	115	
cube	42	
SED	2215	

Associated data in VizieR (inventory)

Origin/nature of the associated data:

→ The « added files » are data files which come from the articles. In FITS or ASCII format, these can be dowloaded via FTP or by clicking on links in the VizieR web pages.

Volumetry: ~750,000 FITS files splitted in ~400 catalogues

- → CoRoT ~ 300,000 time series
- → Grids of ATLAS9 Model Atmospheres and MOOG spectra ~ 300,000 spectra
- → Galaxy And Mass Assembly (GAMA) ~60,000 spectra
- The Resources computed from the tabular data themself
- Links to external resources

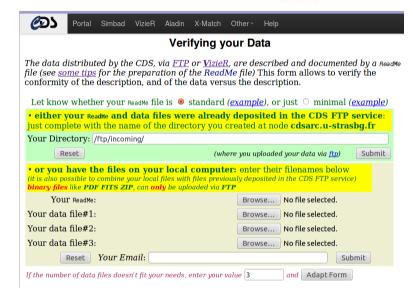


Origin of the associated data types

229**■** ???■ tables

Ongoing actions

- 1) Improve the ingestion pipeline for the plots
- 2) Index the Additional files coming from publications or surveys :
 - spectra, time-series, images (..)
 - Choose the technology (test SAADA in the VizieR context)
 - Update the ingestion pipeline
 - → VO output : SIA (image protocole), SSA (spectra protocol), (time-serie protocol)...
 - Brainstorming including astronomers & developpers
 - Planned meeting at the AAS with the ADS journals and other actors





Future developments to consider

- Add Aladin Lite in the VizieR result page
- Improve the position search speed by using a new VizieR index
- → Add the "Upload your own table" in TAPVizieR (to allow users to perform SQL queries on their tables as well as on VizieR ones)