Five years after the first ALMA call





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ALMA rationale

The design of ALMA is driven by three key science goals:

- The ability to detect spectral line emission from CO or [CII] in a normal galaxy like the Milky Way at a redshift of z=3, in less than 24 hours

-> frequency bands, high sensitivity

-> study of star formation in galaxies up to high redshift, galaxy formation, ...

- The ability to image the gas kinematics in protostars and in protoplanetary disks around young Sun-like stars in the nearest molecular clouds (150 pc)

-> high and low angular resolution, high spectral resolution

-> study of processes of star and planet formation, stellar evolution and structure, astrochemistry, ...

- The ability to provide precise high dynamic range (=|image max/image min|) images at an angular resolution of 0.1 arcsec

-> high angular resolution and sensitivity

-> galaxy dynamics, AGN core mechanisms, imaging of exoplanets, comets, asteroids, ...



ALMA full array

The Atacama Large Millimeter Array is a mm-submm reconfigurable interferometer

- Antennas:
- Baselines length:
- Frequency range:
- Bandwidth:
- Polarimetry:
- Velocity resolution:

- 50x12m main array + 12x7m ACA + 4x12m Total Power
- 15m ->150m-16km + 9m->50m
- **10 bands between 30-900 GHz** (0.3-10 mm)
- 2 GHz x 4 basebands
- Full Stokes capability
- As narrow as 0.008 × (Freq/300GHz) km/s ~0.003 km/s @ 100 GHz, ~0.03 km/s @ 950 GHz





ALMA full array

An interferometer reconstructs an image of the sky at fixed spatial scales (i.e. measures single points in the Fourier domain)

corresponding to the projection of the baselines (i.e. distances among the antennas) on the sky.

Sensitivity

$$S_{\nu} = 2 \, k \, \frac{T_{\rm sys}}{A_{\rm e} \sqrt{2t \, \Delta \nu}}$$

- 6500sqm of effective area and 1225 baselines for the 12m array + Short spacings with ACA

- Excellent instantaneous uv coverage

<0.05mJy @100 GHz in 1 hr

Spatial scales

$$\theta = k \lambda / D$$

Resolution:
 0.2" x (300GHz / freq) x (1km / max_baseline)

- Largest angular scale: 1.4" x (300GHz / freq) x (150m / min_baseline)

- FOV 12m array: FOV 7m array:
- 17" / (300GHz / freq) 29" / (300GHz / freq)



ALMA main array reconfiguration





ALMA array(s)

0

40

50



Main array 1h

Main array 2.5h



Mosaicking

Largest angular scales than that available to the shortest baseline cannot be observed.

Details in the ranges available to the given baselines can be observed on larger region of the sky by mosaicking the region.





mm-VLBI with ALMA

VLBI is a worldwide network of telescopes that matches simultaneous observations in different sites, exploiting the phase information to construct a world-wide interferometer.

At 1 mm and a baseline of 9000 km offers resolution of about 20 microarcseconds ALMA will increase the sensitivity by more than an order of magnitude

This capability will allow the shadow of the event horizon in the black hole at the Galactic Centre , the relativistic jet flows in AGN and the dusty winds near stellar surfaces to be imaged



ALMA organization

ALMA is a world wide collaboration

Contributors share the observing time an host a mirror of the archive

The ALMA Regional Centres (ARCs)

time

- Interface between JAO and users
- 1 ARC per Partner:
 - NRAO for North America
 - NAOJ for East Asia
 - ESO for Europe (split in 7 nodes + 1CoE)
- Operation support
 - Archive replication
 - Astronomer on duty
 - Software tools
- User support
 - Community formation and outreach
 - Phase 1 (proposal preparation)
 - Phase 2 (scheduling block preparation)
 - Data analysis, Archive mining
 - F2F user support, Helpdesk

Enter the ALMA world through the ALMA Science Portal

http://almascience.eso.org/

Early Science Cycles

Early Science observations are conducted on a best effort basis to allows community to observe with incomplete, but already superior array, with priority given to the completion of the full ALMA capabilities

	Cycle 0	Cycle 1	Cycle 2	Cicle 3
	Sep. 2011 -	Jan. 2013 -	Jun. 2014 -	Oct 2015 -
	Jan. 2013	May. 2014	Oct. 2015	Oct 2016
Telescope		•		
Hours dedicated to Science	800	800	2000	2100
Antennas	> 12x12-m	> 32x12m	> 34x12m	> 36x12m
		+9x7m+2TP	+9x7m+2TP	+10x7m+2TP
Receiver bands	3, 6, 7, 9	3, 6, 7, 9	+4, 8	+10
Wavelengths [mm]	3, 1.3, 0.8, 0.45	3, 1.3, 0.8 0.45	+2, 0.7	
Baselines	up to 400 m	up to 1000 m	up to 1500m	up to 10km
Polarisation	single-dual	single dual	full	full
Proposal outcome				
Submitted	917	1133	1381	1578
Highest priority	112	198	354	402
Filler	51	93	159	236
Success rate	12% (18%)	17% (25%)	26% (37%)	25% (40%)
Pressure factor global	8.2	5.8	3.9	3.9
Pressure factor Europe	12.3	9.1	4.9	6.2
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Early Science Cycles in Italy

Table 1: Italian PI and Co-I proposals

		submitted proposals			accepted proposals					
		props	number of unique			PI props		Co-I props		unique
Cycle	Code	PI	\mathbf{PI}	Co-I	$\mathrm{PI}/\mathrm{Co-I}$	top^a	fill^b	top^a	$fill^b$	Co-I
0	2011.0	37	32	136	144	3	1	12	6	32
1	2012.1	38	33	151	158	3	0	16	10	32
2	2013.1	46	42	159	166	6	6	44	22	77
3	2015.1	56	47	171	183	15	8	51	37	117

^a "top" means proposals accepted with highest priority (categories A, B). ^b "fill" means a proposal of grade C, to be observed as "filler" when no higher-priority proposal is available at a certain time.

In Cycle 3 we reaped what we sew!

Table 4: Cycle 3: comparison between countries / ARC-nodes

Selected	PI-proposals				w.r.t. EU-EX totals ^a			
Countries (nodes)	subm	top^b	%	$top+fil^c$	%	% subm	$\% \text{ top}^b$	% top+fil ^c
NL+B (Leiden)	68	14	20.6	19	27.9	10.4	10.5	8.6
S+DK+SU (Onsala)	49	13	26.5	19	38.8	7.5	9.8	8.6
UK (Manchester)	135	20	14.8	44	32.6	20.5	15.0	20.0
I (Bologna)	56	15	26.8	23	41.1	8.5	11.3	10.5
$F+E+D[MPG]^d$ (Grenoble)	205	52	25.4	80	39.0	31.2	39.1	36.4
D^e+A+CH (Bonn-Cologne)	51	9	17.6	16	31.4	7.8	6.8	7.3

^a For the EU executive in Cycle 3: 657 proposals submitted, 133 (20.2%) accepted with top priority, 220 (33.5%) accepted including fillers.

ALMA Cycle 4 (preannounced capabilities)

Proposal submission deadline 21 April 2016

Observing epoch Hours dedicated to Science	Oct 2016 - Oct 2017 3000		
Antennas	> 40x12m +10x7m+3TP		
Receiver bands Wavelengths [mm] Baselines	3,4, 6, 3, 2, 1.3, up to 12.8km,	7, 0.8, 5.3km,	8, 9, 10 0.7, 0.45, 0.35 2.7km
Polarisation	full (with some limitatio	ons)	

News

- ACA standalone
- Large programs (>50hr of observations not splittable in smaller programs)
- mmVLBI (with some restrictions)
- Solar observations

Italian ALMA Proposal Preparation Day April 11-12 2016 Bologna, Osservatorio di Radioastronomia (ARC) Register on www.alma.inaf.it

Publication statistics & Archive usage

No. of papers per year Source: telbib Query: (telescope:"ALMA") and (instrument:ALMA_Bands)

340 papers including ALMA data

General words: ALMA pros for science

Sub(mm) is characterized by dust and rich chemistry.

Dust and moleculae are mostly (but not only) associated with forming structures.

Hence sub(mm) helps studying structure formation.

Higher resolution and sensitivity allows to go farther so to investigate a deeper sky region, getting more sources and more statistics on populations.

Higher spectral resolution allows to detect more narrow lines and more details from broad lines.

and hence investigate chemical compositions, source dynamics and pressure and temperature structures.

Receiver bands: Grades A, B and C projects Cycle 3 projects

Planets & small bodies

Surface studies

- Temperature mapping
- Shaping morphologies

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Ethil Cyanide on Titan (Cordiner et al. 2015)

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Sulphur and water mapping in Venus mesosphere (Moullet et al. 2013)

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High resolution Juno (ALMA Partnership et al. 2015).

- Science Verification Cycle 2
- 3x15min on-source
- Band 6
- 10km baselines:
 res=0.042"=60km @1.97AU
 Diameter =259+-4km

ISM structure and chemical enrichment

The ISM is constituted by 90% of H, 9% of He and traces of other components 80% of H2 is in giant molecular clouds, peaking in the Galactic center. Molecular clouds are highly structured complexes made of clumps (where clusters can form) and cores (where a single or binary star form). The chemical complexity of ISM is still an open question (e.g. aminoacids in ISM)

	Clouds ^a	Clumps ^b	Cores ^c	
Mass (M _☉)	$10^3 - 10^4$	50-500	0.5-5	
Size (pc)	2-15	0.3-3	0.03-0.2	
Mean density (cm ⁻³)	50-500	103-104	104-105	
PDR Undepleted layer abundances	Neutral freeze-out		Heavy element depletion	
co c₂s	N ₂ H+ / N ₂ D		H ₂ D ⁺	Cor
C+ OH CS	DCO+			6 0
н₂о нсо+	NH ₃ / NH ₂ D / NHD	D ₂ H+	nter	
0 1-2 4-8		>1	5-20	
1 1 1	Visual extinction	n (mag)	1	
n ≤ 104 n ≥ 3 x	104	n ≥ :	3 x 10 ⁶ (?)	
	Molecular bydrogen d	ensity (cm-3)	10	

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Star formation

The earliest stages of star formation should be bound prestellar cores of which the mass can be measured via thermal dust emission. High angular resolution can measure the dust fragments down to subsolar masses.

Fragmentation in G28.34 IR dark cloud Arbouring massive star formation (Zhang et al. 2015)

Cycle 0 – 29 antennas

- > 3mm continuum, $CH_3OH(13-12)$, $N_2H^+(1-0)$
- 16 antennas, 11 mosaic points
- Beam = 5.6" x 4.0"
- \blacktriangleright Vel. Resolution = 0.1 km/s
- Continuum rms 0.40 mJy/beam
- Line rms 14 mJy/beam

Massive star loose disc more rapidly than low-mass star of same age. For star masses 0.04<M<10Msun the disk is typically 1% of the star mass.

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IM-Lup:T-Tauri disk (Oeberg et al. 2015)

- Cycle 1 32 antennas
- Band 6
- Angular resolution ~ 0.6"

HL-Tau: young T-Tau star (ALMA Partnership 2015)

- Long Baseline Campaign SV
- Band 3, 6,7 continuum
- Angular resolution ~ 85 x 61 mas, 35 x
 22 mas, and 30 x 19 mas

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Disk around B star (Beltran et al. 2015)

G35.03 + 0.35

CH_CN 19-18

HC N 37-36-

-0.5

0.5

Offset (arcsec)

SO 1011-101

AGB stars

AGB stars (last stages of 0.6-10 Msun stars) are typically long-period variables, and suffer mass loss in the form of a stellar wind.

Thermal pulses produce periods of even higher mass loss and may result in detached shells of circumstellar material.

For an envelope expanding with constant velocity the iso-velocity curves are circles

R-Sculptoris (Maercker et al. 2012, Vlemmings et al. 2013)

- \sim ~15 antennas, ~4 hrs
- Band 7: CO(3-2),
- resolution = 1.3"
 - 45 pointed mosaics (50" x 50" field)

CO(3-2) Velocity Channel Movie

Extragalactic science in (sub)mm

At high redshift the prominent **IR dust thermal bump** (which dominates the SED in starburst galaxies) is shifted into the submm band.

Negative k correction: for 1 < z < 10 galaxy flux density remain constant for $0.8 < \lambda < 2$ mm. High-z galaxies look brighter than low-z & more high_z than low_z in deep fields.

Obscuration is not an issue as in optical bands

Molecular lines

CO is a tracer of H2

[CII]158 μ m and the [OI]63 μ m fine structure lines are the two main coolants of the ISM and are redshifted into the (sub)mm bands at z > 2–4

HCN, HCO+ and other high density tracers are powerful tools to distinguish PDR (associated to SF regions) from XDR (associated to AGN).

In most of the ALMA band more than one line is observable for the higher redshifts.

ALMA observations of NGC1068, a Sy2 @14Mpc (Garcia-Burrillo et al 2014)

Observations in highly obscured galactic cores

(sub)mm galaxy populations

The power in the infrared is comparable to the power in the optical. Locally, the infrared output of galaxies is only one third of the optical output. This implies that infrared galaxies grow more luminous with increasing z faster than optical galaxies. SMGs are the high redshift counterparts of local massive elliptical galaxies (ULIRGs L_FIR>10¹² L_sun), with AGN activity obscured by the high dust content.

An ALMA survey of submm in the Extended Chandra Deep Field South Smail et al. 2015, Hodge et al 2013; Karim et al. 2013; Simpson et al. 2013, Swinbank et al. 2014....)

ALMA Observations of SPT Discovered, Strongly Lensed, Dusty, star-forming Galaxies(Hezaveh et al. 2013, Vieira et al. 2013, Spilker et al. 2014)

Sdp.81 (ALMA Partnership 2015)

Lensed submm galaxy at z=3.042 lensed by an elliptical galaxy at z=0.299

Resolution 60 x 54 mas, 39 x 30 mas and 31 x 23 mas in Bands 4, 6, and 7 (20-80x better than SMA and PdBI) corresponding to few tenth of pc in source plane

Sdp.81 (ALMA Partnership 2015)

Continuum emission

Sdp.81 (ALMA Partnership 2015)

Right Ascension (J2000)

Conclusions

... and many many others....

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