

# Querying the the ALMA Archive

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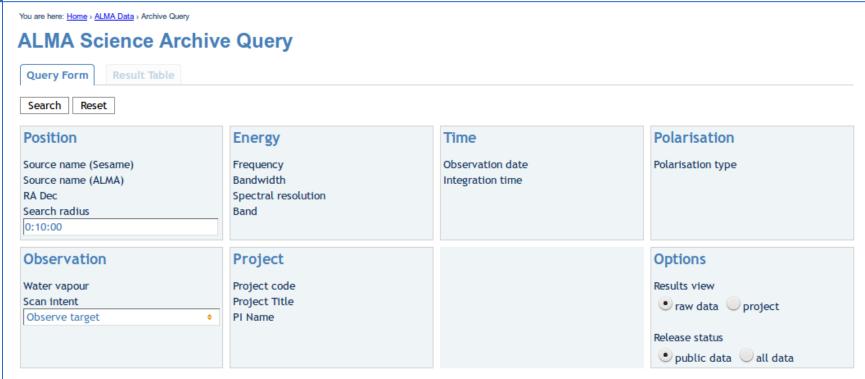


#### What is in the archive?

- All data, as soon as it has has passed the first quality control step (QA0) which is done directly after the observation. I.e.
   proprietary data is explicitly included.
- ◆ So far: only **raw data** is shown, therefore
  - There may be several rows in the result table for the same source with their own integration times.
  - FITS files are only available for parts of the data, i.e. not for all sources and not for the complete frequency range



## What can be queried for?



- http://almascience.eso.org/aq
- Still very limited
- Only most relevant keywords and data shown per default



## How to query?

The values in the fields are AND constraints

◆ Number fields: Single values, >, <, !=, =, ...

String fields: ~, = , !~, !=, \*, ?

See the **tooltips** for examples of the syntax

Proprietary data: "all data"

Calibrator data: "Scan Intent" field

- On the results page:
  - Sort
  - Subfilter
  - Show more (or less) columns, reorder



#### How to download?

- Authenticated download:
  - Required for download of proprietary data
  - Allows to revisit older data requests
- Anonymous download:
  - All public data can be downloaded anonymously
- Download manager:
  - Convenient for download to the desktop (parallel download, pause, resume, retry)
- Download request script:
  - Good for processing environments without webbrowser and/or Java Plugin



## Cycle 0 data: where are the FITS files?

◆ The Cycle 0 packages contain all data together (raw MS, MS, FITS files, scripts). If only parts of the packages are needed:

almascience.org/alma-data/archive/cycle-0-tarfile-content

Going there from the SP:

Data -> Archive -> Delivery List -> content



## Which ALMA publications do exist?

- All publications using ALMA data must reference those data using the official statement (including the data tag)
- For now, publication information is (only) stored in telbib.eso.org
- Searching for ALMA publications:
  - Telescope = "ALMA"
- Search for publications of a specific project:
  - Program ID = "2011.0.01234.S"
- Get the data of an ALMA program referenced in a paper:
  - Project code = "2011.0.01234.S" and "all data"

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# How can I check for duplications?

- Already observed data:
  - Source Name (Resolver) and "all data"
- Cycle 1 accepted sources:
  almascience.org/proposing/call-for-proposals/duplications



#### Where to get Help?

- almascience.org/alma-data/archive
- Tooltips
- ◆ In the very near future: "Query Help" and "Results Help"
- The Helpdesk: help.almascience.org

Any feedback, comments, wishes are welcome!



#### **Caveats**

Data with release date 2099? These are data that have been delivered but later turned out to be bad. Investigations are ongoing, the proprietary period has been set to a data far into the future

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- For Cycle 0 data, the size indicated of the downloads can be higher than what is really required as files might be counted several times in the list. (Each file is only downloaded once, though)
- The Download manager may not work with MacOS 10.7