

Documentation

Below is a rough documentaiton of the code. I have only described the files in the folders that i think are necessary to run the code. I have left out the files in folders which i think are not really necessary for the code to work.

Folder: Arrays

The folder contains all the possible ALMA configurations that can be used in the code, but its not necessary as the python code `lego_alma_eso_sid.py` generates its own custom config file everytime the configuration of the lego-telescope is changed. The custom config file is stored as **lego_alma.config** in the folder **arrays_old**.

Folder: arrays_old

The folder contains the custom config file created for our use as **lego_alma.config**.

Folder: image

The folder contains the images we use for lego alma.

Folder: Imports

The folder contains the most important python files **vriCalc.py**. This is the actual python file that needs to be run to calculate the interferometer images. This python file takes in the image, antenna configuration, etc. More details when called.

CSV File: sid_ant_text_latest.csv

contains the antenna coordinates.

lego_alma_eso_sid.py

In the section below, I will be explaining the code in the python file `lego_alma_eso_sid.py`. This python file is how you interact with [vriCalc.py](#).

Importing packages and setting parameter values

```
import serial
import numpy as np
import matplotlib
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import matplotlib.animation as animation
import pandas as pd
from astropy.io import ascii
import time
from Imports.vriCalc import observationManager
from astropy.convolution import Gaussian2DKernel,convolve
from scipy.ndimage import gaussian_filter
import matplotlib.image as mpimg
import pickle
import os
import sys
import pyautogui
import matplotlib.pyplot as pylab
import sys
```

In the code snippet above, I am importing all the necessary packages needed to run the code.

```
# antenna_filename = "/home/kiosk/alma_sid_07_05_2025/Alma_ma
in/sid_ant_text.csv"
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antenna_filename = "sid_ant_text.csv"

# model_logo_filename = "/home/kiosk/alma_sid_07_05_2025/Alma
_main/models/aifa-logo.png"
model_logo_filename = "./models/aifa-logo.png"

imagefile1 = "./image/agb_star.jpg"
imagefile2 = "./image/galaxy_gas.jpg"
imagefile3 = "./image/hltau.jpg"
imagefile4 = "./image/outflow.jpg"

```

The code snippet above is there to import all the antenna positions stored in the variable **antenna_filename**. The code also imports all the necessary images for the plotting the images from the interferometer.

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### below sets all the parameters for use in plotting
LOOP_TIME = 0.1 #seconds.  ## time between each new plot
scale_array = 40.0 ## scaling the distance of antenna position
on board to real life
FREQ = 3e5 #MHz. # frequency of the observation
DEC = -40 #declination. # DEC position of the observation
pixel_scale = 0.0055 #arcseconds #pixel scaling from image pi
xel to arcseconds.

params = {'axes.titlesize':'small'}. # setting the titlesize
of the image
pylab.rcParams.update(params)
colormap = 'inferno'. # sets the colorscale

## dictionary that connects the bitwise position of the butto
ns to its use
bitdict = {'hourangle_m6':      1,

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        'hourangle_0':      2,
        'hourangle_p6':    3,
        'agb_star':        6,
        'galaxy_gas':       5,
        'hltau':           4,
        'outflow':         7}

## dividing the above dictionary into buttons that select position on the sky and the image.
bitdict_config = {'hourangle_m6':      1,
                  'hourangle_0':        2,
                  'hourangle_p6':       3}

bitdict_image = {'agb_star': 3,
                 'galaxy_gas': 1,
                 'hltau': 2,
                 'outflow': 4}

#### some more parameters for plotting

#this is a parameter, for debugging the code when you don't have arduino input.
# if set to False means arduino is connected and vice-versa
NoSerial = False.
webcam = False # parameter to show if webcam connected should always be False
verbose = True # parameter to print out the messages when the code is running.
screenZoom = 0.7
# The zoom value seems to control the fouriertransform image.
Original value 24
# -----
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ZOOM = 15
PLOT = True
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In the code snippet above, we set the parameters. The comments with the code snippet should explain their use.

Defining the functions used in the code

```
def get_antenna_dict(filename=antenna_filename):
    ant_database = pd.read_csv(filename, sep=";", header='infer')
    ant_bits = np.array(ant_database['bit']) +1
    ant_bits_posx = np.array(ant_database['posx'], dtype=float)
    ant_bits_posy = np.array(ant_database['posy'], dtype=float)

    position_array = (np.array([ant_bits_posx, ant_bits_posy]).T)*scale_array
    ant_dict = dict(zip(ant_bits, position_array))

    return ant_dict

ant_dict = get_antenna_dict()
```

The function above imports the antenna coordinates and multiplies them by the **scale_array** to convert it from size on the board to real life size.

```
def getserialinterface(deviceroot="/dev/ttyACM", maxdevice=3,
    baudrate=115200):
    """returns the serial interface"""
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while True:
    count = 0
    while count < maxdevice:
        device = f"{deviceroot}{count}"
        try:
            ser = serial.Serial(device, baudrate=boudrate)
            print(f"Serial interface {device} found!")
            return ser
        except:
            print(f"Serial interface {device} not found!.
Trying the next one ...")
            count += 1
            # for testing, use this line, but uncomment fo
r real runs
            return None

    print("No serial device found. Please plug it in.
...")
    time.sleep(2)

```

The function above converts the output of the arduino into strings so it can be used in the program.

```

def waitforserialchange(ser, bitdict, ant_dict, npadarray=45,
verbose=False):
    """Waits for a change to the serial interface, i.e. any c
hange of a contact.
    Pauses in case there is no contact on one of the hour
angles
    Parameters:
    device (str)
        device to which the serial interface is connected

    npadarray (int)

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        serialbuffer = ser.read(ser.in_waiting).decode("utf-8").strip().split('\n')
        if verbose:
            print(f"Inputs recorded in the last loop {len(serialbuffer)}. Taking the last one")
            serialinput = serialbuffer[-1]
        time.sleep(1)
        # the next two line of code divide the 7+45 length output of the arduino into bits for the buttons pressed and antennas placed
        linein2 = serialinput[npadarray:]
        linein = serialinput[:npadarray]

        print(len(linein))
        print(len(linein2))

        # the condition below is in case there is no antenna's on the board
        count = 0
        while int(linein) == 0:
            print("Waiting for a valid antenna selection ...")
            time.sleep(2)
            serialinput = str(ser.readline().decode("utf-8").strip())
            linein2 = serialinput[npadarray:]
            linein = serialinput[:npadarray]
            print(linein)

        # The array from the controller should have 45 positions for 45 antennas. (npadarray)
        # Antenna list will have a list of antenna numbers and they should start as 1.
        # This is why we add a "0" to the array.

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        # Below we decide which antennas are placed and which
        buttons are connected
        # -----
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        bit_pos1 = np.where(np.array([bit == '1' for bit in
"0"+linein])) == True)[0] # antenna
        bit_pos2 = np.where(np.array([bit == '1' for bit in
"0"+linein2])) == True)[0] # buttons old (i might not be using
this in the code anymore)
        buttons_config = np.where(np.array([bit == '1' for bi
t in "0"+linein2[:2]])) == True)[0] # buttons new for the posi
tion on the horizon
        buttons_image = np.where(np.array([bit == '1' for bit
in "0"+linein2[3:]])) == True)[0] # buttons new for selecting
the image
        if verbose:
            print(serialinput)
            print((len(serialinput)))

            print(f"antennas:    {linein}")
            print(f"buttons:    {linein2}")

            print(f"antenna list:    {bit_pos1}")
            print(f"button list:    {bit_pos2}      ({' '.jo
in([key for key in bitdict if bitdict[key] in bit_pos2])})")

            print(f"buttons_config:    {buttons_config}")
            print(f"buttons_image:    {buttons_image}")

        # Selectinng where antennas are placed
        ant_pos = np.array([np.array(ant_dict[bb]) for bb in
bit_pos1])

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        if len(ant_pos)>0 and (bitdict['hourangle_m6'] in bit
_pos2) or (bitdict['hourangle_0'] in bit_pos2) or (bitdict['h
ourangle_p6'] in bit_pos2):

            xx_antpos, yy_antpos = ant_pos.T
            if len(ant_pos) > 1:
                create_config_file(ant_pos)
                singledish = False
            elif len(ant_pos)==1: #one antenna show a singled
ish image
                singledish = True

            validhaselection = True
        else:
            print('Waiting for valid hourangle selection and
at least one antenna ...')

        # TODO: convert everything into the usage of bit_pos1 and
bit_pos2. Rename bit_pos1 to bit_pos11
        return bit_pos1, bit_pos2, buttons_config,buttons_image,a
nt_pos, xx_antpos, yy_antpos, singledish

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The function above connects the string output from the arduino to the information stored in the **ant_pos**, and **bitdict**. The main job of the function is to figure out how many antennas are placed and where they are placed and also convert the information from the arduino into determining which buttons are pressed.

```

def select_model_and_hourangle(bitdict, bit_pos2,bitdict_conf
ig,bitdict_image,buttons_config,buttons_image, verbose=False):
    """Select the images and return the corresponding pixel s
cale and integration time and hour angle
    """

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webcam = False

pixel_scale = 0.05

# bitdict = {'hourangle_m6':    1,
#            'hourangle_0':    2,
#            'hourangle_p6':    3,
#            'agb_star':        4,
#            'galaxy_gas':       5,
#            'hltau':           6,
#            'outflow':          7}

#load the imagefiles based on the bit values from the box
if len(buttons_image) == 0:
    imagefile = imagefile1
else:
    if bitdict_image['agb_star'] == buttons_image[0]:
        imagefile = imagefile1
    elif bitdict_image['galaxy_gas'] == buttons_image
[0]:
        imagefile = imagefile2
    elif bitdict_image['hltau'] == buttons_image[0]:
        imagefile = imagefile3
        # pixel_scale = 0.1
        # webcam = True
    elif bitdict_image['outflow'] == buttons_image[0]:
        imagefile = imagefile4
    else:
        imagefile = imagefile1
        # pixel_scale = 0.1
        # webcam = True
# print(imagefile)
# if not bitdict['agb_star'] in bit_pos2:

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#     imagefile = imagefile1
# elif not bitdict['galaxy_gas'] in bit_pos2:
#     imagefile = imagefile2
# elif not bitdict['hltau'] in bit_pos2:
#     imagefile = imagefile3
#     pixel_scale = 0.1
#     webcam = True
# elif not bitdict['outflow'] in bit_pos2:
#     imagefile = imagefile4
#     pixel_scale = 0.1
#     webcam = True

# if (not bitdict['sgal'] in bit_pos2) and not (bitdict
['cam'] in bit_pos2) and (not bitdict['m51'] in bit_pos2):
#     imagefile = "models/marilyn-einstein.png"
#     pixel_scale = 0.1

# if bitdict['sgal'] in bit_pos2 and bitdict['m51'] in bi
t_pos2 and bitdict['cam'] in bit_pos2:
#     imagefile= "models/mystery_med.png"

# which hourangle are we observing, is it a full track of
hourangle or only dawn/dusk/meridian
# if bitdict['fulltrk'] in bit_pos2:
integration_time = 6
if bitdict['hourangle_0'] in bit_pos2:
    hourangle = 0
elif bitdict['hourangle_m6'] in bit_pos2:
    hourangle = -5
elif bitdict['hourangle_p6'] in bit_pos2:
    hourangle = +5
# else:
#     integration_time = 12
#     hourangle = 0

hourangle_start = hourangle - integration_time * 0.5

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    hourangle_end    = hourangle + integration_time * 0.5

    if verbose:
        print(imagefile, integration_time, hourangle_start, h
ourangle_end)

    return webcam, imagefile, pixel_scale, integration_time,
hourangle, hourangle_start, hourangle_end
    # return None

```

This function's main job is to select which image needs to be displayed and worked on based on the output of arduino. It also generates the time-period of observation based on the button selected on the kiosk.

```

def write_alma_config_file(filename, antenna_coords):
    filename = './arrays/' +filename
    with open(filename, 'w') as f:
        f.write("#-----
-----#\\n")
        f.write("#
#\\n")
        f.write("# Array definition file for ALMA, Cycle 6, C
onfig 5, 12-m antennas.          #\\n")
        f.write("#
#\\n")
        f.write("#-----
-----#\\n")
        f.write("# Baseline Range: 15m-1.4km\\n\\n")
        f.write("# Name of the telescope\\n")
        f.write("telescope = ALMA\\n\\n")
        f.write("# Name of the configuration\\n")
        f.write("config = Custom-lego-alma\\n\\n")
        f.write("# Latitude of the array centre\\n")
        f.write("latitude_deg = -23.0229\\n\\n")

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        f.write("# Antenna diameter\n")
        f.write("diameter_m = 12.0\n\n")
        f.write("# Antenna coordinates (offset E, offset N)
\n")
        for e, n in antenna_coords:
            f.write(f"{e}, {n}\n")

```

The function above creates the custom config file based on the configuration of the lego antennas on the kiosk

```

if (not NoSerial):
    ser = getserialinterface()
else:
    ser = None

matplotlib.rcParams['toolbar'] = 'None'
plt.style.use('dark_background')

# all images should have the same pixel size. Depending on th
e screen size.
# For example 400x400. This should speed up the processing.

starttime = time.time()
lasttime  = starttime

imglogo=mpimg.imread(model_logo_filename)

print((plt.get_backend()))

# This resizes the figure to the size of the screen
# Comment out lines below to remove.
# The size of the window is controlled by the screenZoom vari
able.

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# screenZoom = 1 is fullscreen. 0< screenZoom <=1
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scrsz = pyautogui.size()
mng = plt.get_current_fig_manager()
# mng.resize(int(scrsize[0]*screenZoom), int(scrsize[1]*screenZoom))
#mng.resize(*mng.window.showMaximized())
#mng.window.showMaximized()
mng.full_screen_toggle()
# KDE: title-bar, right click, set 'apply initially' to remove title, to maximise etc

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##### Start of the main program #####
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#start of main program loop
serialinput="0"
serialinputlast=""
imglogo = mpimg.imread(model_logo_filename)

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The code snippet above starts the plotting process. Its just setting it to have a black background and setting it to fullscreen.

Main program loop

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Flag = True
while True:

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#     Flag = False

    print("-----
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    if verbose:
        starttime = time.time()

        lasttime = starttime
        thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f  %f" %(this
time-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
        #we fiddled with some constants here
        #     hourangle_start = hourangle - 0.5
        #     hourangle_end = hourangle + 0.5
        #     hourangle+=1
        #if hourangle > 6:
        #     hourangle = -6
        #     hourangle_start = -6
        #     hourangle_end = 6
        #FREQ += 1000
        #if FREQ >= 3e4: FREQ = 5e3
        try:
            if verbose:
                thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f  %f" %
(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
                computetimestart=time.time()
                #start the VRI with the latest antenna position confi
g file, which we generate on every loop baased on the
                #bit strings from the boxes.

                ### linein = ser.readline()

            # moved above the serial input. Does not cost time an
ymore.

            thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f  %f" %
(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
            bit_pos1, bit_pos2, buttons_config,buttons_image,ant_

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pos, xx_antpos, yy_antpos, singledish = waitforserialchange(ser, bitdict, ant_dict, verbose=verbose)
    # bit_pos1, bit_pos2, ant_pos, xx_antpos, yy_antpos,
singledish = waitforserialchange(ser, bitdict, ant_dict, verbose=verbose)
    write_alma_config_file("lego_alma.config", ant_pos)
    obsMan = observationManager(verbose=True, debug=True)

    if verbose:
        thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING make observation manager (debugTrue) %f %f" %(thistime-starttime, thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
        obsMan.get_available_arrays()

    if verbose:
        thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING make observation manager read arrays %f %f" %(thistime-starttime, thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
        # bit_pos1, bit_pos2, buttons_config, buttons_image, ant_pos, xx_antpos, yy_antpos, singledish = waitforserialchange(ser, bitdict, ant_dict, verbose=verbose)
        # # bit_pos1, bit_pos2, ant_pos, xx_antpos, yy_antpos, singledish = waitforserialchange(ser, bitdict, ant_dict, verbose=verbose)
        # write_alma_config_file("lego_alma.config", ant_pos)

    for i in range(1,9):
        pp = plt.subplot(2,4,i)
        xmin, xmax = pp.get_xlim()
        ymin, ymax = pp.get_ylim()
        rectangle = matplotlib.patches.Rectangle((xmin,xmin), xmax-xmin, ymax-ymin, color='black', alpha=0.4)
        pp.add_patch(rectangle)
        # webcam, imagefile, pixel_scale, integration_time, hourangle, hourangle_start, hourangle_end = select_model_and_hourangle(bitdict, bit_pos2)

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        print(("TIMING set obs parmss: %f" %(time.time()-
computetimestart)))
        computetimestart=time.time()

    # Calculate the uv-coverage
    obsMan.calc_uvcoverage()
    if verbose:
        print(("TIMING uv coverage: %f" %(time.time()-com
putetimestart)))
        computetimestart=time.time()
        thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f %f" %
(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime

        # XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
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        # XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
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    # if webcam is active do this

    obsMan.load_model_image(imagefile)
    obsMan.set_pixscale(pixel_scale)

    if verbose:
        thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f %f" %
(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
    if PLOT:
        try:
            # Calculate the FFT of the model image
            obsMan.invert_model()

            if verbose:
                thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING in
vert model %f %f" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime)));
lasttime= thistime
                computetimestart=time.time()

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        # if not singledish:
        #     # Grid the uv-coverage onto the same pixels as the FFT as the model image
        #     obsMan.grid_uvcoverage()

        #     if verbose:
        #         thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f %f grid uv_coverage" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime

        #     # Create the beam image
        #     print("obsMan.calc_beam()")
        #     obsMan.calc_beam()

        #     if verbose:
        #         thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f %f calc beam" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime

        #     # Apply the uv-coverage and create observed image
        #     obsMan.invert_observation()

        # Grid the uv-coverage onto the same pixels as the FFT as the model image
        obsMan.grid_uvcoverage()

        if verbose:
            thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f %f grid uv_coverage" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
            # Create the beam image
            print("obsMan.calc_beam()")
            obsMan.calc_beam()

        if verbose:
            thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f %f calc beam" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
            # Apply the uv-coverage and create observed image
            obsMan.invert_observation()

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f %f calc beam" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime)));
lasttime= thistime
        # Apply the uv-coverage and create observed i
mage
        obsMan.invert_observation()

        if verbose:
            thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f
%f invert observations " %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lastt
ime))); lasttime= thistime
            plt.clf()

        if verbose:
            thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f
%f clf" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime=
thistime

        plogo = plt.subplot(111)
        plogo.imshow(imglogo)

        plogo.set_position([0.0,0.0,0.1,0.1],which='b
oth')

        plogo.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        plogo.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)

        #plot antenna position
        p0 = plt.subplot(2,4,1)
        p0.set_title("Single Dish Antenna",fontsize =
15)

        p0.scatter(0,0)
        p0.set_xlim(-250,250)
        p0.set_ylim(-250,250)
        p0.set_xlabel("x (m)")
        p0.set_ylabel("y (m)")
        p0.set_aspect('equal')

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        pp0 = plt.subplot(2,4,5)
        pp0.set_title("ALMA from source (perspectiv
e)", fontsize = 15)
        pp0.text(4.5, -0.3, r"Powered by: Friendly VRI
C.R. Purcell R. Truelove", ha='center', va='center', fontsize =
8, transform=pp0.transAxes)

        hrangle_rad = np.radians(hourangle*15)
        dec_rad = np.radians(DEC)
        xx_earth_cen = -yy_antpos*np.sin(np.radians(-
23.023))

        yy_earth_cen = xx_antpos
        zz_earth_cen = yy_antpos*np.cos(np.radians(-2
3.023))

        xx_antpos_proj = -(xx_earth_cen*np.sin(hrangle
e_rad)+yy_earth_cen*np.cos(hrangle_rad))
        yy_antpos_proj = -xx_earth_cen*np.sin(dec_ra
d)*np.cos(hrangle_rad) + yy_earth_cen*np.sin(dec_rad)*np.sin
(hrangle_rad)+zz_earth_cen*np.cos(dec_rad)

        if hourangle > 0:
            pp0.scatter(yy_antpos_proj, xx_antpos_pro
j)

        elif hourangle < 0:
            pp0.scatter(-yy_antpos_proj, -xx_antpos_pr
oj)

        elif hourangle == 0:
            pp0.scatter(xx_antpos_proj, -yy_antpos_pro
j)

        pp0.set_xlim(-250,250)
        pp0.set_ylim(-250,250)
        pp0.set_aspect('equal')
        pp0.set_xlabel("x (m)")

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pp0.set_ylabel("y (m)")

#plot original image
p1 = plt.subplot(2,4,2)
if imagefile == "/home/kiosk/alma_sid_07_05_2
025/Alma_main/models/mystery_med.png":
    qmarkimg=mpimg.imread('/home/kiosk/alma_s
id_07_05_2025/Alma_main/models/mystery_qmark.png')
    p1.imshow(qmarkimg,cmap = colormap)
else:
    p1.imshow(np.real(obsMan.modelImgArr),ori
gin = 'lower',cmap = colormap)
p1.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
p1.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
p1.set_title("Picture of the source", fontsiz
e = 15)

# print("SINGLEDISH")
p2 = plt.subplot(2,4,3)
sigma = 50
x = np.linspace(-250, 250, 100)
y = np.linspace(-250, 250, 100)
x_grid, y_grid = np.meshgrid(x, y)
single_beam = np.exp(-((x_grid)**2 + (y_grid)
**2)/(2*sigma**2))
p2.imshow(single_beam,origin = 'lower',cmap =
colormap)
p2.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$\otimes$",ha='center', va
='center',fontsize = 25, transform=p2.transAxes)
p2.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
p2.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
p2.set_title("Beam of single dish",fontsize =
15)

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        #plot different final image, no beam
        # with open(imagefile.split(".")[0]+"_SDOUT.p
pickle",'rb') as fin:
        #      simage_sd = pickle.load(fin)
        sgdish_image = gaussian_filter(obsMan.modelIm
gArr,sigma,mode = 'constant')
        p3 = plt.subplot(2,4,4)
        p3.imshow(sgdish_image,origin = 'lower',cmap
= colormap)
        p3.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$=$",ha='center', va='cent
er',fontsize = 25, transform=p3.transAxes)
        p3.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        p3.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
        p3.set_title("Single Dish View",fontsize = 1
5)

```

```

        #fft of original image

        p4 = plt.subplot(2,4,6)
        # mm,ll = np.shape(obsMan.modelFFTarr)
        #p4.imshow(np.log10(abs(obsMan.modelFFTarr)),
cmap = 'gist_heat',interpolation = 'bicubic')
        # p4.imshow(np.log10(abs(obsMan.modelFFTarr)),cmap = 'gist_heat',interpolation = 'bicubic')
        p4.imshow(obsMan.modelImgArr,cmap = colormap,
origin = 'lower')
        # p4.set_xlim(ll/2-ll/ZOOM,ll/2+ll/ZOOM)
        # p4.set_ylim(mm/2-mm/ZOOM,mm/2+mm/ZOOM)
        p4.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        p4.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
        p4.set_title("Picture of the source",fontsize
= 15)

```

```

        if not singledish:
            computetimestart = time.time()
            #plot uvcoverage
            p5 = plt.subplot(2,4,7)
            p5.scatter(obsMan.arrsSelected[0]['uArr_lam'],obsMan.arrsSelected[0]['vArr_lam'],s=1)
            p5.scatter(-1.*obsMan.arrsSelected[0]['uArr_lam'],-1*obsMan.arrsSelected[0]['vArr_lam'],s=1)
            thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f %f uv coverage" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime

            # p5.set_xlim(obsMan.pixScaleFFTX_lam*(-ll/ZOOM),(obsMan.pixScaleFFTX_lam*(+ll/ZOOM)))
            # p5.set_ylim(obsMan.pixScaleFFTY_lam*(-mm/ZOOM),(obsMan.pixScaleFFTY_lam*(+mm/ZOOM)))
            p5.set_aspect(p0.get_aspect())
            p5.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$\otimes$",ha='center', va='center',fontsize = 20, transform=p5.transAxes)
            p5.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
            p5.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
            p5.set_title("Beam of the ALMA interferometer",fontsize = 15)

            #fft of final image
            p6 = plt.subplot(2,4,8)
            # p6.imshow(np.log10(abs(obsMan.obsFFTarget)+1e3)-3,cmap = colormap,interpolation = 'bicubic',origin = 'lower')

            p6.imshow(np.real(obsMan.obsImgArr),origin='lower',cmap=colormap)
            # p6.set_xlim(ll/2-ll/ZOOM,ll/2+ll/ZOOM)
            # p6.set_ylim(mm/2-mm/ZOOM,mm/2+mm/ZOOM)
            p6.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$=$",ha='center', va='center',fontsize = 20, transform=p6.transAxes)
            p6.set_aspect('equal')

```

```

        p6.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        p6.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
        p6.set_title("ALMA view",fontsize = 15)
        computetimestart=time.time()
    else:
        p5 = plt.subplot(2,4,7)
        sigma = 80
        x = np.linspace(-250, 250, 100)
        y = np.linspace(-250, 250, 100)
        x_grid, y_grid = np.meshgrid(x, y)
        single_beam = np.exp(-((x_grid)**2 + (y_g
rid)**2)/(2*sigma**2))
        p5.imshow(single_beam,origin = 'lower',cm
ap = colormap)
        p5.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$\otimes$",ha='cente
r', va='center',fontsize = 25, transform=p2.transAxes)
        p5.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        p5.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
        p5.set_title("Beam of single ALMA antenn
a",fontsize = 15)

        #plot different final image, no beam
        # with open(imagefile.split(".")[0]+"_SD0
UT.pickle",'rb') as fin:
            #      simage_sd = pickle.load(fin)
            sgdish_image = gaussian_filter(obsMan.mod
elImgArr,sigma,mode = 'constant')
            p6 = plt.subplot(2,4,8)
            p6.imshow(sgdish_image,origin = 'lower',c
map = colormap)
            p6.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$=$",ha='center', va
='center',fontsize = 25, transform=p3.transAxes)
            p6.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
            p6.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
            p6.set_title("Single ALMA View",fontsize

```

```
= 15)
```

```
        except Exception as e:
            print(e)
            pass

    else:
        print("Not plotting")
        pass

    if verbose:
        print(ant_pos)
        print(("Time for one loop: %s" % str((time.time()
-starttime))))
        print("Pausing for      ", LOOP_TIME)
        plt.pause(LOOP_TIME)

    #break
    # r=input()
```

```
    except KeyboardInterrupt:
        plt.clf()
        pl = plt.subplot(111)
        pl.imshow(np.real(obsMan.modelImgArr), origin='lower',
cmap='gist_heat')
        pl.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        pl.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
        if False:
            # This is for getting screenshots for debugging.
However in production
            # we do not save any images for reasons of privac
```

```

y in case the images
    # were done with the webcam.
    plt.savefig(imagefile.split(".")[0]+"_almaview_saved"+"."+ imagefile.split(".")[1])

    break
# cam.release()
plt.close()

```

This is the main working part of the code. Now i will divide this into smaller parts to explain them in bit more detail.

Part 1

```

Flag = True
while True:

    #    Flag = False

    print("-----
-----")
    if verbose:
        starttime = time.time()

        lasttime = starttime
        thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f  %f" %(this
time-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime

    try:
        if verbose:
            thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f  %f" %
(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
            computetimestart=time.time()

            thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f  %f" %

```

```
(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
    bit_pos1, bit_pos2, buttons_config,buttons_image,ant_
pos, xx_antpos, yy_antpos, singledish = waitforserialchange(s
er, bitdict, ant_dict, verbose=verbose)
    write_alma_config_file("lego_alma.config", ant_pos)
    obsMan = observationManager(verbose=True, debug=True)

    if verbose:
        thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING make obser
vation manager (debugTrue) %f %f" %(thistime-starttime,thist
ime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
        obsMan.get_available_arrays()

    if verbose:
        thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING make obser
vation manager read arrays %f %f" %(thistime-starttime,thist
ime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
        for i in range(1,9):
            pp = plt.subplot(2,4,i)
            xmin, xmax = pp.get_xlim()
            ymin, ymax = pp.get_ylim()
            rectangle = matplotlib.patches.Rectangle((xmin,xm
in), xmax-xmin, ymax-ymin, color='black', alpha=0.4)
            pp.add_patch(rectangle)
        webcam, imagefile, pixel_scale, integration_time, hou
rangle, hourangle_start, hourangle_end = select_model_and_hou
rangle(bitdict, bit_pos2,bitdict_config,bitdict_image,buttons
_config,buttons_image)
        if verbose:
            print(imagefile, integration_time,hourangle_star
t,hourangle_end,"<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<<")
            print(("TIMING preparations: %f" %(time.time()-co
mputetimestart)))
            computetimestart=time.time()
            thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f %f" %
(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
```

```

# set up the VRI for this specific obs
# Select array configurations and hour-angle ranges.
obsMan.select_array('ALMA_Custom-lego-alma',haStart =
hourangle_start,haEnd = hourangle_end,sampRate_s=300)
obsMan.get_selected_arrays()

if verbose:
    print(("TIMING select arrays: %f" %(time.time()-c
omputetimestart)))
    computetimestart=time.time()
    thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f  %f" %
(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime

# Set the observing frequency (MHz) and source declin
ation (deg).
obsMan.set_obs_parms(FREQ, DEC)

if verbose:
    print(("TIMING set obs parmss: %f" %(time.time()-
computetimestart)))
    computetimestart=time.time()

# Calculate the uv-coverage
obsMan.calc_uvcoverage()
if verbose:
    print(("TIMING uv coverage: %f" %(time.time()-com
putetimestart)))
    computetimestart=time.time()
    thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f  %f" %
(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime

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# XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX
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```

```
# if webcam is active do this

obsMan.load_model_image(imagefile)
obsMan.set_pixscale(pixel_scale)
```

This is the part where you supply the values to **vriCalc.py** for calculation. The class `observationManager` from **vriCalc.py** is called to supply the values for observation, like the picture (model), position of the object in the sky, frequency of observation, duration of the observation, configuration of the antennas, etc.

Here are some important line in the code that do the calculations, rest of it is just plotting.

```
obsMan = observationManager(verbose=True, debug=True) #initia
tes the observation manager
obsMan.get_available_arrays() #gets all the configurations, i
ncluding our custom one
obsMan.select_array('ALMA_Custom-lego-alma',haStart = hourang
le_start,haEnd = hourangle_end,sampRate_s=300) # selects our
custom lego configuration
obsMan.get_selected_arrays() # gets the specifics of our cust
om configuration
obsMan.set_obs_parms(FREQ, DEC) # sets observation parameters
obsMan.calc_uvcoverage() # calculates the UV coverage based o
n the observation parameters and antenna configuration
obsMan.load_model_image(imagefile) # loads our image
obsMan.set_pixscale(pixel_scale) # converts the image size fr
om pixels to arcseconds
```

Part 2

```

        if verbose:
            thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f %f" %
(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime= thistime
        if PLOT:
            try:
                # Calculate the FFT of the model image
                obsMan.invert_model()
                if verbose:
                    thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING in
vert model %f %f" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime)));
                    lasttime= thistime
                    computetimestart=time.time()
                    obsMan.grid_uvcoverage()

                if verbose:
                    thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f
%f grid uv_coverage" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttim
e))); lasttime= thistime
                # Create the beam image
                print("obsMan.calc_beam()")
                obsMan.calc_beam()

                if verbose:
                    thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %
f %f calc beam" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime)));
                    lasttime= thistime
                # Apply the uv-coverage and create observed i
mage

                obsMan.invert_observation()
                if verbose:
                    thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f
%f invert observations " %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lastt
ime))); lasttime= thistime
                plt.clf()
                if verbose:

```

```

        thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f
%f  clf" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); lasttime=
thistime

        plogo = plt.subplot(111)
        plogo.imshow(imglogo)

        plogo.set_position([0.0,0.0,0.1,0.1],which='b
oth')

        plogo.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        plogo.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)

        #plot antenna position
        p0 = plt.subplot(2,4,1)
        p0.set_title("Single Dish Antenna",fontsize =
15)

        p0.scatter(0,0)
        p0.set_xlim(-250,250)
        p0.set_ylim(-250,250)
        p0.set_xlabel("x (m)")
        p0.set_ylabel("y (m)")
        p0.set_aspect('equal')

        pp0 = plt.subplot(2,4,5)
        pp0.set_title("ALMA from source (perspectiv
e)",fontsize = 15)
        pp0.text(4.5,-0.3,r"Powered by: Friendly VRI
C.R. Purcell R. Truelove",ha='center', va='center',fontsize =
8, transform=pp0.transAxes)

        hrangle_rad = np.radians(hourangle*15)
        dec_rad = np.radians(DEC)
        xx_earth_cen = -yy_antpos*np.sin(np.radians(-
23.023))

        yy_earth_cen = xx_antpos
        zz_earth_cen = yy_antpos*np.cos(np.radians(-2
3.023))

```

```

        xx_antpos_proj = -(xx_earth_cen*np.sin(hrangle_rad)+yy_earth_cen*np.cos(hrangle_rad))
        yy_antpos_proj = -xx_earth_cen*np.sin(dec_rad)*np.cos(hrangle_rad) + yy_earth_cen*np.sin(dec_rad)*np.sin(hrangle_rad)+zz_earth_cen*np.cos(dec_rad)

        if hourangle > 0:
            pp0.scatter(yy_antpos_proj,xx_antpos_proj)
        elif hourangle < 0:
            pp0.scatter(-yy_antpos_proj,-xx_antpos_proj)
        elif hourangle == 0:
            pp0.scatter(xx_antpos_proj,-yy_antpos_proj)

        pp0.set_xlim(-250,250)
        pp0.set_ylim(-250,250)
        pp0.set_aspect('equal')
        pp0.set_xlabel("x (m)")
        pp0.set_ylabel("y (m)")

        #plot original image
        p1 = plt.subplot(2,4,2)
        if imagefile == "/home/kiosk/alma_sid_07_05_2025/Alma_main/models/mistery_med.png":
            qmarkimg=mpimg.imread('/home/kiosk/alma_sid_07_05_2025/Alma_main/models/mistery_qmark.png')
            p1.imshow(qmarkimg,cmap = colormap)
        else:
            p1.imshow(np.real(obsMan.modelImgArr),origin = 'lower',cmap = colormap)
            p1.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
            p1.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
            p1.set_title("Picture of the source", fontsize=10)

```

```

e = 15)

    # print("SINGLEDISH")
    p2 = plt.subplot(2,4,3)
    sigma = 50
    x = np.linspace(-250, 250, 100)
    y = np.linspace(-250, 250, 100)
    x_grid, y_grid = np.meshgrid(x, y)
    single_beam = np.exp(-((x_grid)**2 + (y_grid)
**2)/(2*sigma**2))
    p2.imshow(single_beam,origin = 'lower',cmap =
colormap)
    p2.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$\otimes$",ha='center', va
='center',fontsize = 25, transform=p2.transAxes)
    p2.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
    p2.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
    p2.set_title("Beam of single dish",fontsize =
15)

    #plot different final image, no beam
    # with open(imagefile.split(".")[0]+"_SDOUT.p
ickle",'rb') as fin:
    #     simage_sd = pickle.load(fin)
    sgdish_image = gaussian_filter(obsMan.modelIm
gArr,sigma,mode = 'constant')
    p3 = plt.subplot(2,4,4)
    p3.imshow(sgdish_image,origin = 'lower',cmap
= colormap)
    p3.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$=$",ha='center', va='cent
er',fontsize = 25, transform=p3.transAxes)
    p3.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
    p3.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
    p3.set_title("Single Dish View",fontsize = 1
5)

```

```

#fft of original image

p4 = plt.subplot(2,4,6)
# mm,ll = np.shape(obsMan.modelFFTar)
#p4.imshow(np.log10(abs(obsMan.modelFFTar)),
cmap = 'gist_heat',interpolation = 'bicubic')
# p4.imshow(np.log10(abs(obsMan.modelFFTar
r)),cmap = 'gist_heat',interpolation = 'bicubic')
p4.imshow(obsMan.modelImgArr,cmap = colormap,
origin = 'lower')
# p4.set_xlim(ll/2-ll/ZOOM,ll/2+ll/ZOOM)
# p4.set_ylim(mm/2-mm/ZOOM,mm/2+mm/ZOOM)
p4.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
p4.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
p4.set_title("Picture of the source",fontsize
= 15)

if not singledish:
    computetimestart = time.time()
    #plot uvcoverage
    p5 = plt.subplot(2,4,7)
    p5.scatter(obsMan.arrsSelected[0]['uArr_l
am'],obsMan.arrsSelected[0]['vArr_lam'],s=1)
    p5.scatter(-1.*obsMan.arrsSelected[0]['uA
rr_lam'],-1*obsMan.arrsSelected[0]['vArr_lam'],s=1)
    thistime = time.time(); print(("TIMING %f
%f uv coverage" %(thistime-starttime,thistime-lasttime))); la
sttime= thistime
    # p5.set_xlim(obsMan.pixScaleFFTX_lam*(-l
l/ZOOM),(obsMan.pixScaleFFTX_lam*(+ll/ZOOM)))
    # p5.set_ylim(obsMan.pixScaleFFTY_lam*(-m
m/ZOOM),(obsMan.pixScaleFFTY_lam*(+mm/ZOOM)))

```

```

        p5.set_aspect(p0.get_aspect())
        p5.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$\otimes$",ha='center', va='center',fontsize = 20, transform=p5.transAxes)
        p5.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        p5.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
        p5.set_title("Beam of the ALMA interferometer",fontsize = 15)

        #fft of final image
        p6 = plt.subplot(2,4,8)
        # p6.imshow(np.log10(abs(obsMan.obsFFTar
r)+1e3)-3,cmap = colormap,interpolation = 'bicubic',origin =
'lower')

        p6.imshow(np.real(obsMan.obsImgArr),origin='lower',cmap=colormap)
        # p6.set_xlim(ll/2-ll/ZOOM,ll/2+ll/ZOOM)
        # p6.set_ylim(mm/2-mm/ZOOM,mm/2+mm/ZOOM)
        p6.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$=$",ha='center', va='center',fontsize = 20, transform=p6.transAxes)
        p6.set_aspect('equal')
        p6.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        p6.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
        p6.set_title("ALMA view",fontsize = 15)
        computetimestart=time.time()
    else:
        p5 = plt.subplot(2,4,7)
        sigma = 80
        x = np.linspace(-250, 250, 100)
        y = np.linspace(-250, 250, 100)
        x_grid, y_grid = np.meshgrid(x, y)
        single_beam = np.exp(-((x_grid)**2 + (y_grid)**2)/(2*sigma**2))
        p5.imshow(single_beam,origin = 'lower',cmap = colormap)

        p5.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$\otimes$",ha='center', va='center',fontsize = 20, transform=p5.transAxes)

```

```

r', va='center',fontsize = 25, transform=p2.transAxes)
        p5.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        p5.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
        p5.set_title("Beam of single ALMA antenn
a",fontsize = 15)

        #plot different final image, no beam
        # with open(imagefile.split(".")[0]+"_SD0
UT.pickle",'rb') as fin:
        #     simage_sd = pickle.load(fin)
        sgdish_image = gaussian_filter(obsMan.mod
elImgArr,sigma,mode = 'constant')
        p6 = plt.subplot(2,4,8)
        p6.imshow(sgdish_image,origin = 'lower',c
map = colormap)
        p6.text(-0.1,0.5,r"$=$",ha='center', va
='center',fontsize = 25, transform=p3.transAxes)
        p6.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        p6.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
        p6.set_title("Single ALMA View",fontsize
= 15)

    except Exception as e:
        print(e)
        pass

    else:
        print("Not plotting")
        pass

    if verbose:
        print(ant_pos)
        print(("Time for one loop: %s" % str((time.time()
-starttime))))

```

```

        print("Pausing for " ,LOOP_TIME)
        plt.pause(LOOP_TIME)

        #break
        # r=input()

    except KeyboardInterrupt:
        plt.clf()
        pl = plt.subplot(111)
        pl.imshow(np.real(obsMan.modelImgArr),origin='lower',
cmap='gist_heat')
        pl.axes.get_xaxis().set_visible(False)
        pl.axes.get_yaxis().set_visible(False)
        if False:
            # This is for getting screenshots for debugging.
            However in production
            # we do not save any images for reasons of privacy
            y in case the images
            # were done with the webcam.
            plt.savefig(imagefile.split(".")[0]+"_almaview_saved"+"."+ imagefile.split(".")[1])

        break
    # cam.release()
    plt.close()

```

Here are some important line in the code that do the calculations, rest of it is just plotting.

```

obsMan.invert_model() # calculates the fft invert of our image
obsMan.grid_uvcoverage() # gets the grid UV coverage
obsMan.calc_beam() # calculates the beam
obsMan.invert_observation() # applies the UV coverage to create the observed image

```

Rest of the code that just plots rest of the images.