E-ELT The European Extremely Large Telescope

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- ESO is the European Organisation for Astronomical Research in the Southern Hemisphere
- It was created in 1962
- > ESO headquarters are in Germany, in Garching, near Munich
- ESO currently operates telescopes at three different sites in Chile





ESO observatory sites in Chile

- <u>Paranal</u> (2600 m)
- <u>La Silla</u> (2400 m)
- <u>Chajnantor</u> (5000 m)





E-ELT

- A 40m-class adaptive telescope the largest optical/ IR telescope in the World!
- Enables spectacular new science, complements other flagship facilities
- Construction started in 2012, with first light ~ 2021
- Construction cost: Telescope + First generation
 - instruments: \geq 1 Billion euro
 - Operations: 50 Million/yr

Other International ELT projects

TMT

30m telescope U. California, Caltech, Canada (+ Japan + China) Construction proposal complete First light ~ 2020

GMT

24m (7x 8m segments) Collaboration of private US universities, Australia (ANU + AAL) + Korea First light ~ 2020





Why ELTs?



Why ELTs?

✓ We need sensitivity (∝D²) and
 resolution (∝ λ/D)
 ✓ We need to combine observations at
 different wavelengths

Synergies with Large Facilities

- ✓ JWST
- ✓ ALMA
- ✓ IXO, Far-IR mission
- SKA / SKA Pathfinders
- ✓ LSST
- √GAIA













Hubble Space telescope





VLT + adaptive optics



E-ELT with adaptive optics!



ISAAC e VLT: Seeing ~ 0.6" MAD e VLT Seeing ≤ 0.1 "







Credits: J. Liske

E-ELT Point source sensitivity - imaging

Band	λ/D (mas)	E-ELT - LTAO (5 mas pixels)	E-ELT GLAO (50 mas pixels)
V	2.7	27.5	29.0
R	3.1	28.5	29.0
I	3.9	29.5	28.5
J	6.1	28.5	26.0
Н	8.1	28.0	25.0
К	10.6	27.5	24.5

> 5σ in 1hr, Vega magnitudes rounded to nearest 0.5 mag. Calculated with E-ELT exposure time calculator

The European ELT

- > Base ~ 80 m
- > Height ~ 60 m
- > Dome ~ 100 m



E-ELT Top Level Requirements

• D = 39m, Area ~ 1000 m²

- Alt-Azimuth mount, fully steerable (0-360,0-90). Operational for
 zd = 0 70
- Adaptive Telescope
- Ground Layer Adaptive Optics correction (GLAO, for FoV ≥ 5 arcmin, for 80% of the observing time)
 - better than 2x FWHM improvement for median seeing conditions
- Post-focal corrections: SCAO, MCAO, LTAO, ExAO, ...
- Science field of view:
- 10 arcmin. Diffraction limited by design
- Wavelenght range: 0.3 24 µm (ultraviolet mid infrared)

E-ELT Top Level Requirements

- Transmission at Nasmyth focus:
- > 50% at >0.35 μm, > 60 % at > 0.4 μm, > 70% at 0.7 μm, > 80% at > 1 μm

Total transmission: T = (1 mirror reflectivity = R) R^5

- Focal Stations:
- Two Nasmyth foci
- At least one Coudé
- Fixed Instrumentation (fast switching: < 10 min same focus,
 - < 20 otherwise)





Credits: I. Hook

Mirrors

M1 798 segments of ~1.45m!!



Earthquakes!!

Glass mirrors coated with Aluminium or Silver/ Aluminium-> different reflectivity



M2: 4.2m/100mm M3: 4m



Credit:s R. Gilmozzi



Mirrors



Adaptive Optics IN the telescope!! (Ground Layer Adaptive Optics)



M4, 2.6m, adaptive with 6000-8000 actuators







M5 :2.4m, flat, tip-tilt

The dome



- About 3500 tons of steel!
- Equipped with airconditioning and shielded from wind





Phase A instrument studies





CODEX



Type of istruments Acronym Near-Infrared (NIR) wide field spectrograph with **EAGLE** Adaptive Optics (MOAO) Camera for imaging and spectroscopy of extra-solar **EPICS** planets with extreme adaptive optic (ExAO) **MICADO Diffraction limit NIR Camera with AO** HARMONI Wide field NIR spectrograph with AO CODEX High-resolution, high stability visual spectrograph **METIS** Mid-IR Camera & Spectrograph with AO High-resolution wide filed visual spectrograph **OPTIMOS SIMPLE** High-resolution NIR spectrograph with AO





MICADO

E-ELT instrumentation plan

- **Two instruments** selected for first light:
 - ELT-CAM : Diffraction-limited NIR camera
 - ELT-IFU : wideband IFU spectrograph
 - Both with associated AO system(s)
- Specifications subject to change
- Other instruments remain in pool
- Construction proposal includes budget for 4-5 instruments





Tested telescope sites

Commission: site selection advisory commette (SSAC)







Site selected in April 2010







Cerro Armazones

Selection criteria: impact on science, outstanding atmosphere, logistics (roads, water, electricity, nearby cities ...)

The chilean site Cerro Armazones, very close to Cerro Paranal, the VLT site, was selected in April 2010 This is the right compromise between the atmospheric conditions, political stability of the hosting country, infrastructures and management of the site.







Operations

Service mode (fully flexible time allocation -> is expected to take most observing time at E-ELT)

Visitor mode (non-flexible time allocation -> contact between community and observatory, complex strategies, visitor instruments...)

Remote mode (user available at short notice, having access to suitable computing and communications infrastructures. Real-time interaction and flexible schedule)

E-ELT Science

The Science Case resides on three pillars:

Contemporary science cases:

European Astronomy Community via:

- Design Reference Mission (DRM)
- Design Reference Science Plan (DRSP)

Instrument teams

Synergy with other facilities

8m-class telescopes, interferometry, ALMA, JWST, LSST, IXO, SKA...

Discovery potential

A new unique parameter space (sensitivity, resolution) be prepared for the unexpected...

Design Reference Mission


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E-ELT DRM Simulations

Exo-planets

- Direct detection
- Radial velocity detection
- Initial Mass Function in stellar clusters
- Stellar disks

Resolved Stellar Populations

- Color-magnitude diagrams
- Abundances
- Detailed abundances and kinematics

Black Holes

The physics of galaxies

- Metallicity of the low-density IGM The highest red-shift galaxies
- Dynamical measurement of the Universal expansion

Wavelength (8)







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<u>http://www.eso.org/sci/facilities/eelt/science/drm/drm_report.pdf</u>



Design Reference Science Plan

- Input provided by the community via web form
 - science cases & requirements
 - broader science input than DRM
 - provides further input to design choices
 - Instrumentation
 - Operations modes
- Closed 5th June 2009
- 188 responses, report in ESO messenger



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Extra-solar planets

✓ When E-ELT will have first light (2021) many other extrasolar planets will be discovered (some of them being earth-like)

Most interesting selected and observed with E-ELT

High-contrast images with NIR ExAO (planet/star -> 10⁻⁸, 10⁻⁹) -> direct detection

High resolution NIR spectroscopy of transiting planets (atmospheric composition)

> Detection (radial velocities) of earth-like planets





> How were galaxies billions of years ago?

> How did they form?

Spectroscopic observations: direct kinematics of first stars

and gas in the most distant galaxies





👔 Distinguish via velocity maps

M83



Rotating disk simulations (M. Puech)



Stellar populations

Chemical composition and age of stars in distant galaxies (up to the Virgo cluster,

~ 17 Mpc)

-> History of galaxy





1 arcsecond

Simulations by J. Liske





Photometry

Cen A (4Mpc): horizontal branch (HB) with an accuracy of 0.05 mag down to 0.3 effective radii (Re)
 M87 (Virgo): tip of the red giant branch (RGB)

with 0.05 mag accuracy down to 0.5 Re

Medium-resolution spectroscopy of red-giants



Targets: MR RGB at tip (black) and 0.5 mag below tip (orange) (I = 24.4 mag)

Assumes LTAO, 5h exposure time, Paranal-like, Ag/Al coating

Black holes

E-ELT will allow us to test the Theory of General Relativity measuring positions (50/100 μ as) and velocities (1 km/s) of stars orbiting the MW central black hole up to 0.01 pc (~ 100 Rs) where v ~ 0.1c 10⁹M BHs up to 100M

Only a few black holes have accurate mass measurements

- How common are they?
- Why do their masses relate to that of the host galaxy bulges?



Simulations of gas rotating around a black hole (A. Küpcü Yoldaş)

10⁹M BHs up to 100Mpc

10⁶M BHs up to Virgo distance



Black hole

Watching the Universe accelerate in real time

- What is the Dark Energy?
- E-ELT will measure the acceleration directly, in real time
- Weak signal: ~ 1 cm/s/yr. Requires:
- E-ELT (collecting area)
- 20 year monitoring campaign



• Ultra-high stability, high-resolution spectrograph (e.g. CODEX)



Young stellar clusters

A. Calamida & F. Comeron





- How did brown dwarfs
 (BDs) form?
- Which are their characteristics?

Star forming regions in LMC Sub-stellar luminosity function in MW (~ solar-metallicity): Planetary Mass Objects (PMOs) with M \leq 13 M_{Jup} detected in σ **Orionis (Zapatero-Osorio et al. 2000,** Caballero et al. 2007) N $\Delta N / \Delta M$ 10 0.100 0.050 0.020 0.010 0.005 M (M_{sol}) Low-metallicity Brown Dwarfs (BDs) and PMOs are almost invisible now in MW but accessible in LMC (a 5 MJup PMO of t = 1 Myr \rightarrow K ~ 28 mag)

Measurement goals

Evolution of low-mass cut-off of IMF with metallicity

> What do low-mass, low metallicity BDs look like?

> How does the opacity limit depends on metallicity?





> coexistence of main targets with much brighter stars (18 < K ≤ 30 mag)</p>

> very small sizes of star forming regions (~ 2" at the distance of LMC)

> crowding (~ 20 star/arcsec²)

Need good on-axis AO correction

Images

LTAO simulated PSFs (DRM technical database):

D = 42m, 6 LGS, seeing = 0.8" at 0.5 µm, zd = 0 , 30, 60

K, H, J-band

 t_{exp} (tot) = 60 h

Sky = 13 (K), 14 (H), 16 (J) mag/ arcsec²

Pixel scale = 3.5 (K), 2.6 (H), 2 (J) mas

 $M = 10 M_{Jup}$ 2 arcseconds

Completeness



We reach J, K ~ 29-28.5 mag (~17-24 MJup, 90% completeness) and 29.5 mag (~ 9-16 MJup, 50% completeness) with 5 ≤ 5/N ≤ 10 in Ttot = 60h+overheads

With E-ELT we will observe:
Nearly complete sample of young BDs above the deuterium-burning limit (M~13 MJup) in LMC and possibly in other stellar systems (up to d~50 Kpc)
PMOs (M ≤ 10 MJup) in the LMC in favorable conditions
See Calemida et al. (2011). arXiv1109.6235

(Magellanic Clouds Newsletter # 113)

The centres of dense young clusters

A. Calamida & H. Zinneker



✓ What did these clusters
 look like when they were
 still deeply embedded in
 their proto-cluster
 parent cloud?

Challenges

- We need to penetrate 100-200 mag (N_{H2} = 3 · 10²³ cm⁻²) of visual extinction!!!
 - K-band: $A_{\rm K} = 0.11 \cdot A_{\rm V}$

Even better: $A_{L} = 0.06 \cdot A_{V} \& A_{M} = 0.02 \cdot A_{V}$

> We need to resolve crowded fields (compact clusters)

=> diffraction limit in K-band is 10 mas for D = 42 m

Some measurement goals

- number density of massive stars to investigate if collisions are likely
- Mass segregation: high mass stars in centre.
 Is this the case from the very beginning?

Simulations

- 1) Uniform reddening distribution: $A_v = 50$, 100, 150, 200 mag
- 2) Gaussian reddening distribution: peak of $A_v = 150$ mag, and FWHM = 6"
- 3) Clumpy reddening distribution: clumps with scale of 0.25" and peaks of 50 A_v on top of a uniform extinction of 50 or 150 A_v
 - >K, L, M-band LTAO PSFs
 - > Pixel scales: 3.5 mas (K), 5.6 mas (L), 7.7 mas (M)
 - > Sky brightness (mag/arcsec²): 13 (K), 5.3 (L) and 1.3 (M)
 - > FoV = ~ 6" × 6" (0.2pc × 0.2pc at distances ~ 7 Kpc)

Uniform reddening distribution: Av = 200 mag



Faintest star: K ~ 38 mag L ~ 27 mag M ~ 18 mag

Clumpy reddening



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576 clumps of 50 Av on a top of 150 Av uniform reddening distribution

Gaussian reddening distribution



Faintest star: K ~ 29 mag L ~ 22 mag M ~ 16 mag

Peak = 150 Av FWHM = 6"

Color-Magnitude Diagrams



Color-Magnitude Diagrams



With E-ELT we will observe:

> Nearly complete sample of massive stars (M > 8 M₀) in young dense embedded clusters up to Av ~150 mag (for DMo=14 mag, GC) in K,L,M-band (number density, infrared excess, mass segregation)

Nearly complete sample of massive stars in young dense embedded clusters up to Av ~ 200 mag only in the M-band (only number density)

What happened the last 2 years?

- Phase B completed in Sep 2010
 - Passed an external review (report available online)
- Delta Phase B completed in June 2011
 - Goal: reduce risk to ESO program overall
- Sep 2011: Cost review -> approved
- Construction could partially start (road, M4,..)

Only option to reduce total cost substantially was:

> Smaller M1 (39.3 m, outer 2 segment rings removed)

Smaller instrument platforms (→ smaller dome, smaller Armazones platform)

➤ Removal of gravity invariant focus (→ simpler structure)

> M2 < 4.2m: more suppliers, simpler polishing (further reduction of telescope length and width)

Outlook

- Brazil parliament must ratify the joining of ESO
- June 2012: Construction proposal to ESO Council for final approval of the programme
- 2021: First light
 - Schedule driven by spending profile
 - First science 6-9 months later





- Public web-page: <u>http://www.eso.org/public/astronomy/projects/e-elt.html</u>
- In Italiano: <u>http://www.eso.org/public/italy/index.html</u>
- Science users web-page: <u>http://www.eso.org/sci/facilities/eelt/</u>
- Brochures, Posters, etc: <u>http://www.eso.org/public/outreach/products/publ/brochures/</u> <u>index.html</u>
- Gallery: <u>http://www.eso.org/gallery/v/ESOPIA/EELT</u>


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L'oggetto osservato si trova distante dalla stella guida

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