Spanish contribution to LISA

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LISA - LASER INTERFEROMETER SPACE ANTENNA





Earth

Sun

* Changes in distances travelled by the laser beams are not to scale and extremely exaggerated

2.5

million km

Powerful events such as **colliding black holes** shake the fabric of spacetime and cause gravitational waves







Free-floating

golden cubes



Scientific Payload

AEI (DE), UTN (IT), CNES (FR), IEEC (ES)

Mission Specific Hardware needed to meet the Scientific Objectives.

Platform/ Spacecraft

Prime

All the other elements needed to support the mission as the platform, solar panels, OBC, etc.



Payload Mounted Within the Platform





Images from LISA Pathfinder.



SDS Overview

1. Characterize and monitor:

- a. MOSA thermal environment [DDS.FUN.00040]
- TM magnetic environment in low frequency and audio frequency [DDS.FUN.00060, DDS.FUN.00070]
- c. TM radiation environment [DDS.FUN.00100]
- 2. Generate science data information during science mode (time series for the temperatures and magnetometers and histograms for coils and RM) [DDS.FUN.00140]



Ground Segment

- Each member state that participates in the mission is expected to develop a DCC where the scientific process to produce L2 data from L1 data will take place.
- It is also expected that each DCC will participate in the system engineering of the design and implementation of the LDPG (under French responsibility).
- LISA Data Challenges (LDC) working group where training exercises with synthetic LISA data is developing the algorithms that will become part of the LISA data analysis pipelines.











First LISA Spain meeting held Oct. 2023. Forthcoming planned for **Oct. 2024. Please join if interested in contributing to LISA**

Product Tree





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To be ready for the **Co-Engineering** Phase with the Prime the following milestones are being set:

Q1 2024	Q2 2024	Q3 2024	Q4 2024	Q1 2025	Q2 2025
<i>Mission Adoption IRD Definition DIL Definition ITT Released</i>	LISA Payload Meeting #2	<i>CPPA Kick-Off Prime Selection</i> IRD V2 Definition DIL Approval	IRD V2 Definition Negotiation with Prime <i>LISA Payload</i> <i>Meeting #3 (TBC)</i>	Co-Engineering Phase	Co-Engineering Phase
		IDS PDR	GRS PDR		SDS PDR

PDR pf the SDS will be in June 2025, and all systems must meet the design requirements to successfully pass the review.



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IRD Definition DIL Definition ITT Released	LISA Payload Meeting #2 Schedule Update Model Philosophy Verification Strategy Procurement of EBBM Components	Updated DCLs IRD V2 Definition In detail definition of Interfaces MTM EBBM Model RM EBBM Model	Definition of Interfaces: - EICD, MICD, Mass Budgets, data budgets, etc. - Qualification of not qualified components.	Co-Engineering Phase Integration Procedures Documentation for PDR EM/QM Thermal Sensors 1 st delivery	DACU PDR SDS PDR DACU EBBM Testing



Temperature sensors — motivation

- Temperature gradients across the test mass induce forces in the test mass
 - Effects: radiation pressure, radiometer, outgassing
 - Dominant contribution (gradient) tends to ~20 pm/s²/K (LPF)
- Temperature variations in **optical elements** can lead to pathlength (eg. **optical window**, the only non-bonded optical element)
 - Thermal gradients can induce stress on the glass or changes in the refr. index
 - Modeling and experiment on-ground characterised the opto-thermoelastic coupling ~5nm/K
- The MSS (struts in LPF) holds the experiment inside the thermal shield. Hence, are natural thermal links to the MOSA.
 - Effects: Thermal gradients can induce mechanical stress in the structure.
 - Experiment on-ground (LPF) characterised the thermo-elastic contribution to ~1nm/K



L Carbone et al. Phys. Rev. D 76 (2007)



M Nofrarias et al. Class. Quantum Grav. 24 (2007)



F Gibert et al. Class. Quantum Grav. 32 (2015)



Temperature sensors/Heaters

Usage of NTCs on most locations (most sensitive sensors) and Platinum RTDs on magnetic sensitive locations (GRSH-EH).

Heater equivalent to the LPF design:

- 2 two logical (4 physical) heaters for each GRSH-EH (i.e. each DACU), connected to two different DACU boards.
- Heaters are resistors with a nominal resistance of 100 Ωand without magnetic material, where each physical heater shall be able to dissipated up to 45 mW.





Roma-Dollase, D., Gualani, V., et al. & Nofrarias, M. (2023). Resistive-Based Micro-Kelvin Temperature Resolution for Ultra-Stable Space Experiments. Sensors, 23(1), 145.



Magnetometers — motivation

• The test mass acts as a magnetic dipole. Magnetic field and magnetic field gradients can induce **forces in the test mass**

$$\mathbf{F} = \left\langle \left[\left(\mathbf{M} + \frac{\chi}{\mu_0} \, \mathbf{B} \right) \cdot \nabla \right] \mathbf{B} \right\rangle V$$

• The dominant contribution couples **local gradients** with **interplanetary fluctuations**

 $\langle S_B \cdot \nabla B_{DC} \rangle$

- Magnetometers on-board must monitor **two components**:
 - *S_B*: low frequency fluctuations are dominated by the interplanetary contribution
 - strong variability with solar wind! (LPF)
 - 150-750 nT/Hz^{1/2} at 20 uHz
 - ∇B_{DC} : magnetic field gradient in the TM position is unknown
 - the TMs surrounded by sources, magnetometers are far away
 - our best estimate of \(\nabla B_{DC,x}\) was during the coils experiments (derived parameter): -3700 nT/m (other dof are unknown)



Magnetometers

Developed some AMR and we are working to upgrade all designs to flight quality and do representative EBBM for the PDR.



manufacture them and perform the transfer of the know-how.

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Continued analysis of magnetic contribution to force noise in LISA Pathfinder.

Armano et al. Submitted for publication



Radiation Monitor

Preliminary concept of radiation monitor, studies and discussion still open regarding the final structure.

- Current baseline is based on four plastic scintillators and silicon photomultipliers separated by three absorbers of different size
- The BETA ASIC, designed for the HERD mission, can amplify, shape and digitize up to 64 photodiodes output.
- An **FPGA** will interface with the BETA ASIC to provide coincidence event and/or individual trigger rates in form of histograms.

Low-energy (LE) shield prevents particles with energies below 70 MeV from reaching them, similar to the expected effect of the GRSH-EH.





Radiation Monitor

The Radiation monitor first EBBM needs to be upgraded to flight quality and do representative EBBM for the PDR.

Commercial components that meet the performance and help us characterize the MTM.



Flight components that withstand the radiation, thermal and mechanical environment of launch.





DACU Design will be consolidated and an EBBM of the DACU will be developed within the PRODEX contract 2024-25 (SENER Aerospacial/IEEC) in the framework of the SDS PRD.



Item	Total Mass (Kg)	Maturity Margin (%)	Maturity Margin (kg)	Mass with margin (kg)
DACU Structure (225 (h) x 280 (w) x 250 (l) mm) Thickness [3mm]	4,505	20	0,901	5,406
Screwing	0,296	20	0,0592	0,355
PCBs + Connectors + Internal Screwing	2,165	20	0,433	2,598
EEE Parts (w/o Connectors)	0,635	20	0,127	0,762
Total DACU Mass	7,601	-	-	9,121

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shapes and digitizes.

WGMRs are widely used in the field of optics fulfilling different purposes, the most common being:

- Ultra stable frequency reference sources: "Optical clocks" •
- Non linear crystal: Second Harmonics Generator (SHG), third... and • frequency combs.
- High sensitivity sensors. •

Uses of optical clocks/combs in space involve:

Navigation 0

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- Fundamental physics experimentation
- Interferometry
 - Astronomical scanning Others... Spectroscopy 0

Our primary goal is to in-house know-how on optomechanical resonators and optoelectronic systems, with potential application in different fields of precision measurement, both from ground and in space.























Magnetometers — motivation

- In LISA Pathfinder, we used coils to estimate this contribution. This experiments are not foreseen in LISA.
- Acceleration noise estimate is ~ 3.7 fm/s/Hz^{1/2} at 0.1 mHz (LISA performance model assumes 4 fm/s/Hz^{1/2} at 0.1 mHz)



Diagnostics – Low-frequency magnetometer

Requirement: $100 \text{ nT}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}} @ 0.1 \text{ mHz}$ Noise performance: $< 50 \text{ nT}/\sqrt{\text{Hz}} @ 0.1 \text{ mHz}$

Conditions:

- 3 layers of mu-metal
- Inside the ATCU
- WB fed at 2 V
- Power consumption below 20 mW



Diagnostics – Radiation Monitor

Main objectives:

- To have ~1% statistical uncertainties on the integral cosmic ray flux in ~ 1 hour
- To achieve some energy resolution at a few hundred MeVs

Simulations (with Geant4) have been performed to establish which may be the necessary sizes of absorbers to provide useful data for LISA test mass charging.

Mass budget is the main limiting factor for the RM and directly impacts the event rate (larger scintillator area increases event rate) and energy resolution (larger absorbers allows energy resolutions of higher energies): *LISA-IEEC-MAG-TN-002 BETA Radiation Monitor: notes on the mass budget*





Audio band magnetic sensor — motivation

- LPF found excess noise in the low frequency band. A potential source was identified as coming from:
 - " high-frequency (> 10 Hz) magnetic fields "down-converting" into the LPF band by the V(B²) dependence of the magnetic force. These could be tested in the future by audio-range magnetometers, which were not available on board LPF ". From Armano et al. a Phys Rev, Lett. 120, 061101 (2018)
- High frequency magnetic fields were characterized during on-ground integration. Notice they are highly dependent on S/C operations/configuration
 - LPF S/C magnetic test report (S2-ASU-TR-2028)
 - Studied by Fertin & Trougnou (2009), established a req. on amplitude peaks assuming 20% amp. modulation.
- Current baseline in LISA is to use the coil as high frequency magnetic sensor.
 - Use the coil as it is. No impact in GRS design, only in the frontend, which need to add a read-out.







Radiation monitor — motivation

 High energy environment responsible for test-mass charging a potential source of acceleration noise

$$F_x(q) = -\frac{q}{C_{\rm T}} \left| \frac{\partial C_x}{\partial x} \right| \Delta_x,$$

- Two main mechanics that needs monitoring
 - Galactic Cosmic Rays (GCR)
 - nearly constant low-level charging rate
 - flux modulation: interaction isotropic flux at heliosphere boundary and solar wind (inducing 27d, 13.5d, 9d periodicities)
 - Solar Event Particles (SEP)
 - can last for days, increasing TM charging orders of magnitude. Not measured and unavoidable in LISA.



Armano et al. (LPF collaboration) Astroparticle Physics 98 (2018)



Armano et al. (LPF collaboration) The Astrophysical Journal, 854 (2013)

RM Work Breakdown





MTM Work Breakdown



