



CRETANMATTERWAVES

Optical Beam Steering Technology For Complex Space Missions

BST

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AtomQT



FUTURE & EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES scheme

MatterWave





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3m Telescope of Ritchey-Chrétien type













Echelle Spectrograph



Polarimeter **RoboPol**





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- + A network of big European national laboratories
- Transnational Access
 (4000 days of access)







BEC and MatterWaves at IESL-FORTH



Matter-Wave Interferometry

Guided for Matter-Wave Interferometry for inertial navigation



Ultra-Bright Atom Lasers

BEC in Space: Testing Einstein's Weak equivalence principle

Matter-Wave&Quantum Tools





Very long Baseline Matterwave interferometry







Prec Sion Gravity ?

Gravity Gradiometry Using the Meissner Effect and a Squids





ARK&X A member of



Gabon, 2009

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Grace Monthly Mass Grid







nterferometry



Cretan Matter-Waves Group

The Double Slit





BEC Ketterle Interference



R.Andrews et al. Observation of Interference Between Two Bose Condensates Science 275:5300 637-641 (1997)

Why Matterwaves?





Matter-Wave Interferometry Why???

A Sagnac Gyroscope:

$$\begin{split} \Delta \phi &= \frac{4\pi}{\lambda v} \Omega A \\ \frac{\Delta \phi_{\text{atom}}}{\Delta \phi_{\text{light}}} &= \frac{\lambda_{\text{light}} c_0}{h/m} = 5 \times 10^{10} \end{split}$$





Plus

- + Internal States
- + Gravitation
- + Atom-Atom Interaction
 - +Heisenberg Limited Detection

Matter-Wave Interferometers



Why not?



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Why Space?



Breadboards

GRAVITY LABORATORY

LISA Pathfinder showed that it could measure tiny variations in the distance between two free-falling cubes, paving the way for a full-scale experiment in which the falling masses will reside on different satellites, millions of kilometres apart.

At the heart of Pathfinder are two free-falling metal cubes, shielded from all forces except gravity by their housing. The housing monitors each cube's position and commands the craft to move so that the cube is always at its centre.



Any disturbance to the relative motion of the cubes affects the frequency of the laser bouncing between them. The cubes float in a vacuum, surrounded by instruments that mitigate stray forces.





Requirements LISA vs Atoms

LISA

- 1. Fiber to Free-Space
- 2. Priority: Pointing Stability
- 3. Angular Stability
- 4. Distance Stability
- 5. Low Complexity

ATOMS

- 1. Fiber to Free-Space to Fiber
- 2. Priority: Coupling efficiency
- 3. Active Elements
- 4. High Complexity





STE-QUEST



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NAUS



Solutions Atoms & LISA

MAIUS

LISA

- 1. Hydroxyl Bonding
- 2. All alignment done by machining and polishing
- 3. Only custom components

- 1. Epoxy/UV Bonding
- 2. Complex Mounts

OBST

- 1. Independent of Bonding technology
- 2. Simple Mounts
- 3. Separate Fine Alignment

Aim of the OBST project

To demonstrate

- 1. Novel Beam Steering for Bread boards
- 2. Very High stability (coupling efficiency)
- 3. Reduction in production difficulties/costs
- 4. Simplification of assembly procedures
- 5. Learn how to deal with ESA

Demonstration of Feasibility and Use

Plate and Wedge



Optical Plate

Pair of Wedges

Alignment methods		Prediction*	Typical Sensitivity	Assumptions*
Beam positioning	beam plate rotation	$\Delta h \approx \theta d \frac{n-1}{n}$	19 µm/mrad	d=1 mm n=1.5
Beam pointing (pitch/yaw)	wedge rotation	$\Delta \varphi \approx \! \frac{4}{\pi} (n \! - \! 1) a \theta$	45 µrad/mrad	α=4 deg n=1.5

The Fully Integrated OBST



Comparison of Couplers





LISA Coupler



OBST Coupler



Side View

ALL Mechanical Elements of OBST



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OBST-062	Beam alignment	µrad	< 100	5	< 5	1000%
		μm	< 100	5	< 5	1 300 /0
OBST-061	Positional alignment	μm	< ±100		< 100 µm.	equaled
OBST-052	Operating Temperature Range	°C	10-40		10-40	
OBST-021	Surface polish accuracies	nm	<158		< 63	150%
OBST-053	Temperature stability (Testing environment)	K/ Hz ¹ ⁄2	~ 1x10 ⁻²		< 6x10 ⁻⁴	1500%
OBST-022	Angular tolerances of components	arcm in	5		5	

Assembly: Lens

Zerodur coupler before (left) and after (right) applying the UV adhesive



UV adhesive formed a black ring

Curing with UV light





Side View



Coarse-align and bond in place



Fiber to fiber alignment



The Fully Integrated OBST



Measuring the Coupling Efficiency





Thermal Stability Stable Temperature



Thermal Stability Large temperature *drift*





CE over multiple cycles between 10° and 40°C. Temperature was monitored in air (blue), wedge surface (purple) and breadboard surface (green). Mean value of CE is 88% and is represented by the dashed red line while the black dashed lines correspond to the peak values.

Thermal Stability Origin of the fast fluctuations



Conclusions OBST works:

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- Good to work with ESA !
- How to document
- Deliver on time (workflow)
- We can do it !

Outlook

- Take OBST to the next level
 - Complex setups
 - -Vibration testing
 - Integration of active components
- C-COOL
- Develop a laboratory version (Spinoff?)
- STE-QUEST // Earth observation



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