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ILIADA: In-orbit LISA Diagnostics Demonstrator

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SDS Overview

1. Characterize and monitor:

- a. MOSA thermal environment [DDS.FUN.00040]
- b. 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]

Diagnostics motivation in LISA

- **Temperature variations** induce forces and path length variations
	- **Forces applied to the TM: radiation pressure,** radiometer, outgassing
	- **Temperature variations in optical elements** can lead to pathlength changes
	- Thermal gradients can induce **mechanical stress** in the structure.
- **Magnetic field and magnetic field gradients** can induce forces in the test mass, the test mass acts as a magnetic dipole.
	- The dominant contribution couples **local gradients** with **interplanetary fluctuations** $\langle S_B \cdot \nabla B_{DC} \rangle$
- **High energy particles environment** responsible for test-mass charging. Two main mechanics that needs monitoring
	- **Galactic Cosmic Rays (GCR)**: nearly constant low-level charging rate
	- **Solar Event Particles (SEP)**: can last for days, increasing TM charging orders of magnitude.

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LISA Pathfinder Diagnostics Subsystem (DDS)

- **- 24 NTC temperature sensors**
- **- 4 Fluxgate magnetometers**
- **- 1 Radiation monitor (Si PIN)**
- **- 16 Heaters**
- **- 2 Coils**

ILIADA is an in-orbit demonstrator (2U) for the LISA Science Diagnostics Subsystem (SDS).

In the framework of the Generalitat de Catalunya NewSpace Strategy.

New Space strategy

The *Generalitat de Catalunya* (Catalan government) started in 2020 the Catalan *New Space* strategy to boost the local ecosystem related to space missions and services with two missions:

- **2021** Launch of GENIOT (*Enxaneta*). 3U telecommunications satellite to provide IoT service. Included an IOD.
- **2022** Launch of GENEO (*Menut*): 6U Earth observation satellite to provide high-frequency multispectral images (Sentinel, Copernicus)
- **2023** published a tender for an Earth Observation mission (GENEO-02). **Includes an In-Orbit Demonstrator**

GENEO-02 will be a Sun-Synchronous Orbit with a high above 540 km and have communications both at S (TT&C and IOD data) and X (EO data) band. IOD requirements:

- Maximum **volume of 2U**, maximum **mass of 2.66 kg**
- Nominal power consumption **below 6 W**, 8 W peak.
- CubeSat Space Protocol interface with OBC over CAN or serial port.
- IOD shall not interfere with the main payload.
- **FM IOD delivery Q1 2025**.

ILIADA (proposal) concept

LIMAG: magnetometer based on **Anisotropic Magnetoresistive sensors** (AMR). Reaching 50 nT/ \sqrt{Hz} @ 0.1 mHz.

TEMP: **NTC temperature sensors** reaching . Reaching $1 uK/\sqrt{Hz}$ @ 1 mHz.

ICU: IEEC heritage from GENEO mission. Based in the C3SatP computer (**IEEC heritage**).

MELISA: magnetometer based **on Tunnel Magnetoresistive sensors (TMR)** modulated by a **MEMS cantilever**. Reaching 20 nT/ \sqrt{Hz} @ 0.1 mHz.

RADIATION MONITOR: four plastic **scintillators** and **silicon photomultipliers**. separated by three absorbers of different size. **BETA ASIC** amplifies, shapes and digitizes.

ILIADA current concept

• GENEO-02 platform expected to be a **micro-sat**. Adapted the ILIADA mechanical interface.

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• Splitted the 2U volume into a main unit (HOMER) and three unit hosting magnetometers (AMRs and MEMs)

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Anderson, B. J., et al. (2014), Development of large-scale Birkeland currents determined from the Active Magnetosphere and Planetary Electrodynamics Response Experiment, Geophys. Res. Lett., 41,3017–3025

LIMAG (LISA Magnetometers)

2-axis magnetometer based on **Anisotropic Magnetoresistive sensors** (AMR) in a full Wheatstone bridge disposition with a high-sensitivity (~60-20 V/T).

- Includes *flipping electronics* to modulate the output signals and overcome 1/f noise.
- Low power consumption $($ ~100 mW).
- Mass below 140 g.
- Noise below 50 nT/ \sqrt{Hz} @ 0.1 mHz

MELISA

1-axis magnetometer based on **Tunnel Magnetoresistive sensors** (TMR) modulated by a **MEMS cantilever** with a flux concentrator material at the tip. Placed in a Wheatstone bridge disposition with a high-sensitivity (~70 V/T).

- Low power consumption $(2 m)$.
- Mass below 140 g.
- Noise below 20 nT/ \sqrt{Hz} @ 0.1 mHz
- High temperature coefficient

Manyosa, X. et al. MEMS miniaturized low-noise magnetic field sensor for the observation of sub-millihertz magnetic fluctuations in space exploration. Measurement 230, 114489 (2024)

LETS (LISA Enhanced Temperature System)

ILIADA temperature subsystem implements the **LISA temperature subsystem baseline**, able to reach a stability of \sim 1 μ K/ \sqrt{Hz} at the mHz. Read-out based on an AC powered Wheatstone bridge.

NTCs sensors together with **Platinum (non-magnetic)** sensors, latter provides better accuracy.

An adapted version of the **LISA SDS read- out** for temperature and magnetics will be used for all of them.

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

Radiation Monitor

Radiation monitor will be a reduced version of the LISA baseline, based on

- **Four plastic scintillators and Silicon photomultipliers** separated by three absorbers of different size
- The **BETA ASIC**, originally 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.

Flight heritage from the previous GENEO mission (IEEC heritage).

- Based on a **SAMv71 microcontroller**.
- Includes Flash memory card.
- External interfaces like CAN, UART, SPI, …
- Running a FreeRTOS with CSP libraries.
- Will be communicating with the OBC, packing the RM data and modulating/demodulating temperature/magnetic sensors.

- KOM March 2024
- Platform changed from cubesat to micro-sat. Redefined interfaces.
- Mechanical structure fixed and procurement started. PCB detailed designed undergoing.
- PDR currently scheduled for November. Expected delivery to Prime Q2 2025. Launch Q1 2026.

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