

PRESENTATION CONTENTS

- Point Ahead Angle Mechanism
 - Main Function is to correct angle between Rx and Tx beams
 - > Place in the system: on the OB in the IFM path
 - Simple mechanism, but extreme requirements
- > Design & performances
 - > PAAM 1.0
 - Update to PAAM 2.0 (supported by NSO)
- > Experimental campaign
- Conclusions
 - > Development is well underway



Optical Bench overview (old from 2013, by UGL)

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PAAM 1 DEVELOPMENT Design and operation OPD after environmental testing, gate time 1 sec 10 OPD at -412 murad Rotation guided by elastic hinge: Non-magnetic, no OPD at 0 murad 10 OPD at 412 murad contamination, stable, no friction [m / rt Hz] OPD specification Bonded isostatic mirror mount 10 Monolithic structure (TiAIV): High yield stress & High Angular jitter after environmental testing, gate time 1 sec dimensional stability Angular iitter at -412 murac Angular iitter at 0 murad 10 Angular jitter at 412 murad Feedback-controlled on internal extremely accurate rad / rt Hz] Angular litter specification capacitive sensor Performance and environmental tests: Both angular and OPD jitter compliant with extreme 10 requirements (tested at AEI-Hannover)

- Thermal cycling between +80 °C and -10 °C (Tested at Airbus Defence and Space Netherlands)
- > 20g RMS random vibration testing



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PAAM 2.0 DESIGN UPDATES



- Increased stiffness of structure
- Further optimized mechanism
 - Increased symmetry structure
- > Added sensor redundancy
- Increased sensor accuracy
- Reduced volume for integration
- > Improved load handling
- Collaborate with SRON for electronics development



EXPERIMENTAL CAMPAIGN

- Integration and Sample tests
 - > Adhesive interface strength and loads
 - Sensor, actuator and control
- Running test on EBB
 - > IFM angle alignment and operation
 - > Thermal cycling in vacuum chamber
- Next step
 - Operational load testing









PAAM CONCLUSIONS

- > Already in 2008 a mechanism was designed, realised and tested that
 - Provides the angular adjustment over the ±412µrad angular range
 - > While having less than 1pm/ $\sqrt{Hz} \cdot n(f)$ OPD jitter and
 - > Less than 10nrad/ $\sqrt{Hz} \cdot n(f)$ angular jitter
 - Capable of withstanding environmental loads of 20g RMS and thermal cycling -10°C to +80°C
- In 2019/2020 the design was updated to accommodate updated needs/requirements
 - > Provide redundancy and higher resolution on the angular measurement
 - > Increased stiffness of the structure
 - Require less volume for integration/removal
 - Currently the PAAM 2.0 Elegant Breadboard testing is ongoing: 1st results EBB are promising
- > Development well underway for integration on the Optical Bench!

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