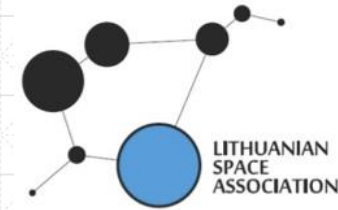


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PIEZO-ACTIVE SUSPENSION SYSTEM FOR SPACE INTERFEROMETRY AND BROADBAND COMMUNICATIONS

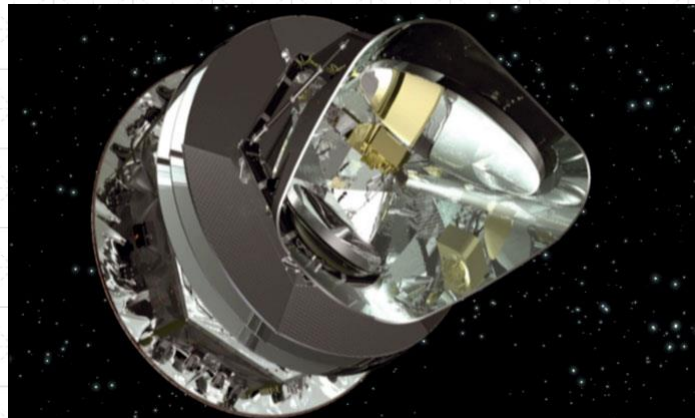
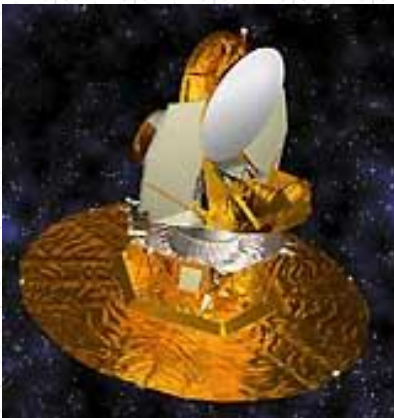
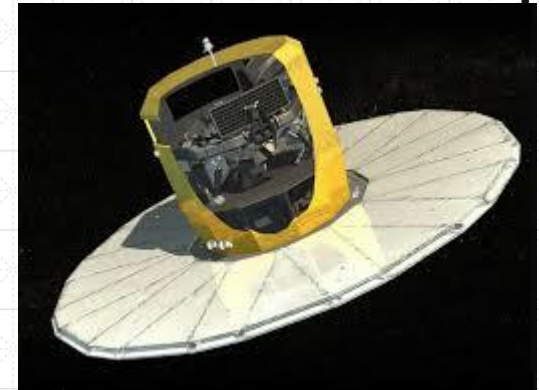
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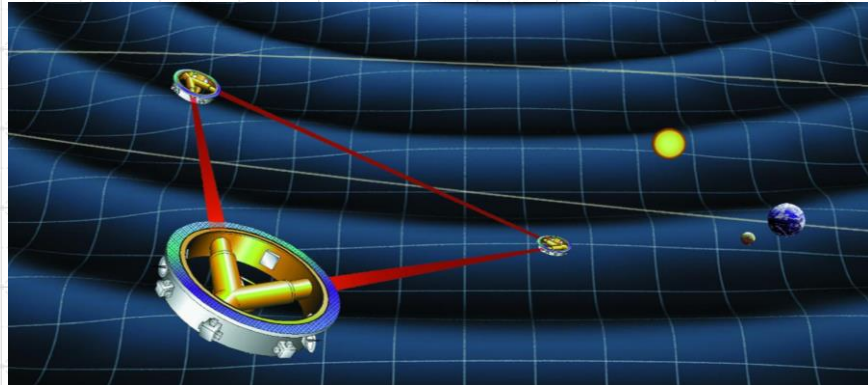
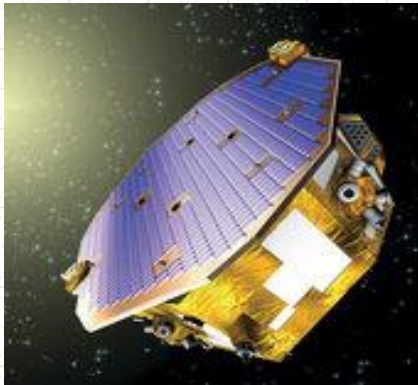
INTRODUCTION (HERITAGE)

- Wilkinson Microwave Anisotropy Probe
- ESA Planck mission
- Infrared Herschel mission
- Gaia space telescope



TARGET MISSIONS

- Future ESA Laser Interferometer Space Antenna (LISA) in 2034.
- Japanese DECI-Hertz Interferometer Gravitational wave Observatory (DECIGO) in 2027.

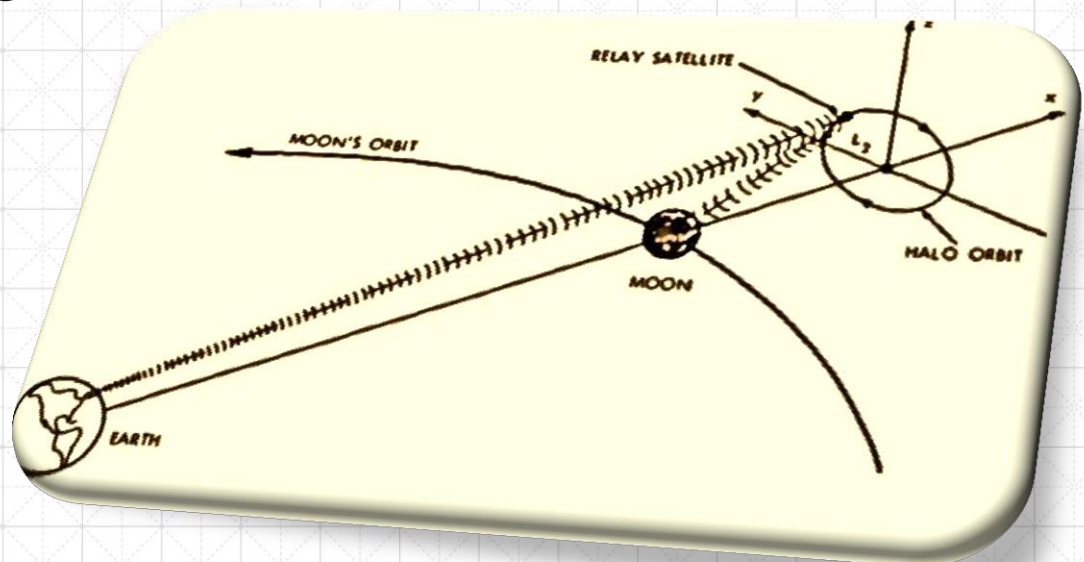


MISSION GOALS

- Increase the accuracy of the measurement and communication pointing systems
- Compensate the vibrations of the satellite platform by means of piezo –active suspension to less than $<10^{-12}$ rad
- Establish Duplex 1.55 μm Laser link between the Spacecraft and Ground terminal
- Test the accuracy of Attitude control of the Spacecraft provided by Field–emission electric propulsion (FEEP) or Colloid thrusters

MISSION CONCEPT

- Size < 50 kg
- Intermediate orbit ~ 200 km LEO or GTO
- With additional propulsion module to Halo
EML-2 / HEO



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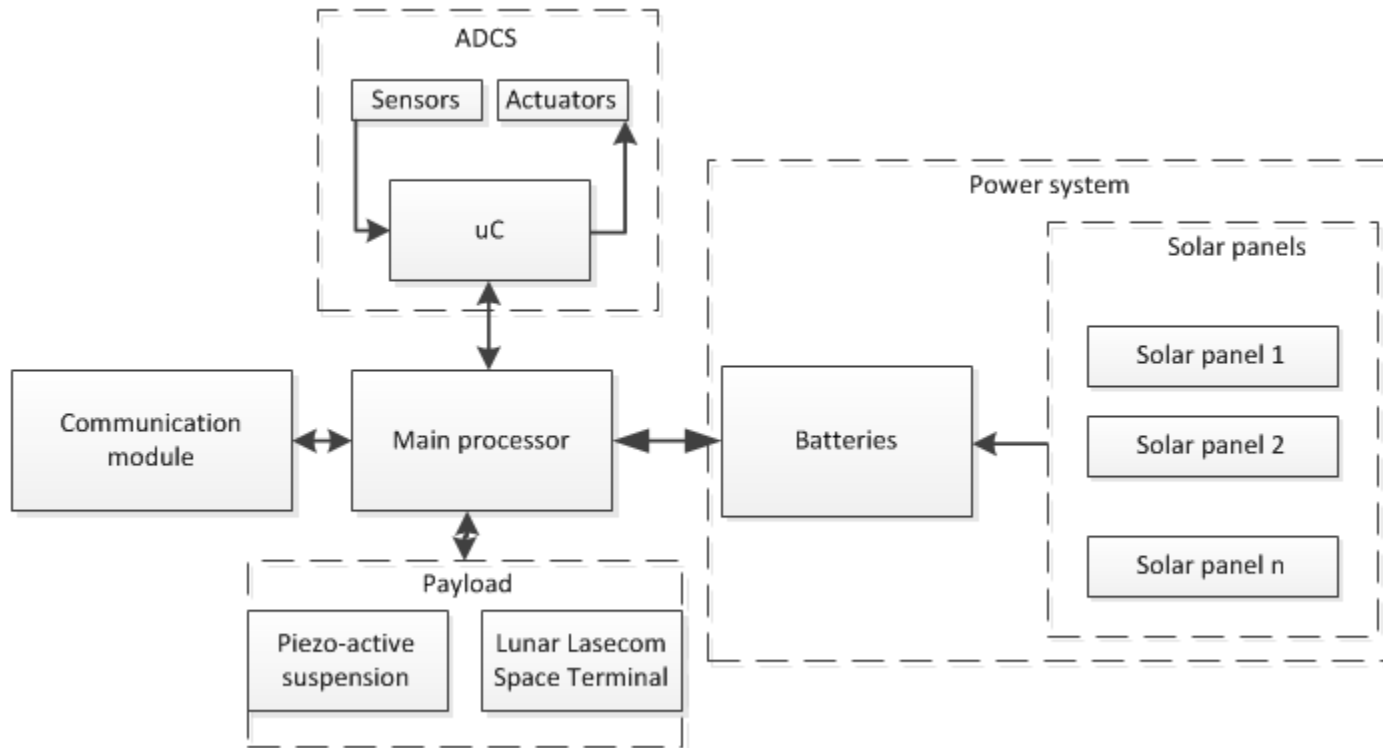
- S-band TT&C
- The pointing accuracy and optical communication through output will be measured by 1.55 μm Laser duplex system
- Joint operation of Piezo-active suspension system with Field-emission electric propulsion (FEEP)/Colloid thrusters

TARGET PARAMETERS

- Gaia mission achieved is in the range of 24 μ arcsec corresponding 1.2×10^{-10} rad.

	Distance from Earth, 10^9 m	Wavelength, 10^{-6} m	Resolution angle θ , rad 10^{-15}	Actuator resolution*, 10^{-15} m	Delta V from LEO, km/s**
Earth – Sun L2	1.5	1	0.33	0.033	3.4/7.4
Earth – Sun L2	1.5	1 000	330	33	3.4/7.4
Earth – Moon L2	0.45	1	1.1	0.11	3.0/7.0
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SPACE SEGMENT DESCRIPTION

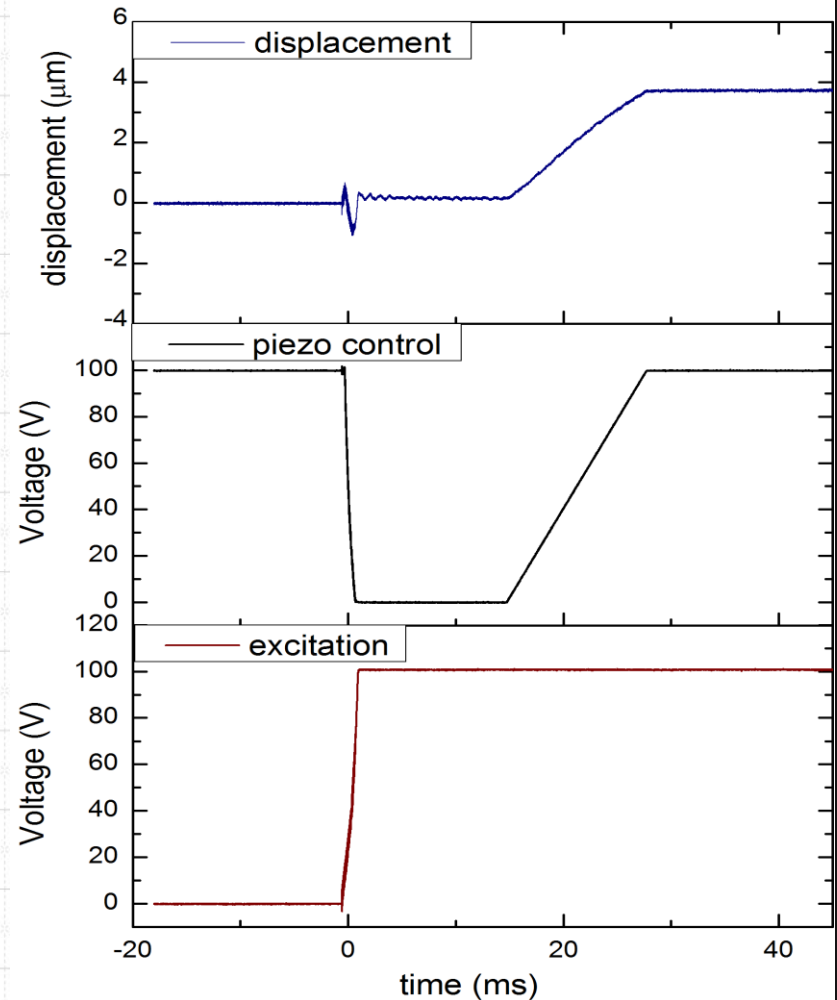


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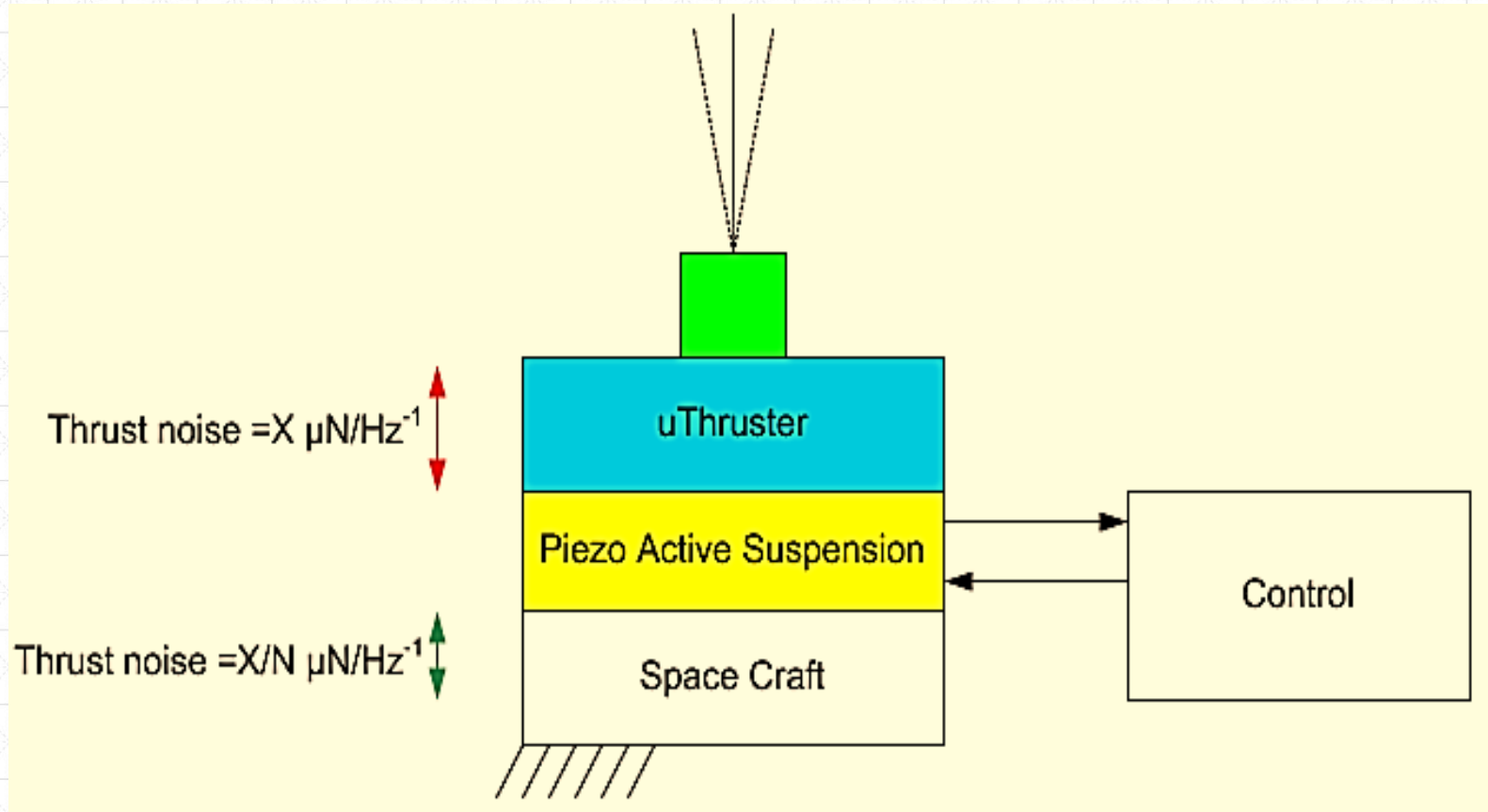
- Piezo-active suspension
- Lunar Laser-communication Space terminal

PIEZO-ACTIVE SUSPENSION

- Passive (semi-passive) energy dissipation experiments
- Implement a soft thruster response control
- Test the suspension system

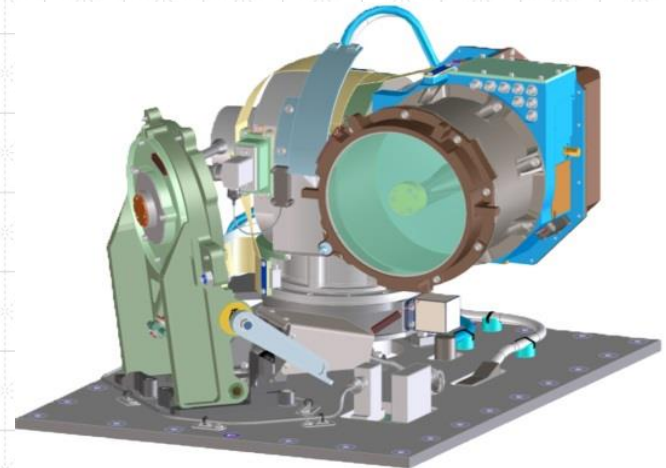


PIEZO-ACTIVE SUSPENSION



LASER COMMUNICATION

- Lunar Laser Communication Demonstration (LLCD) 2013
- Lasercom space terminal
- Downlink: 40–622 Mbit/s
- Interferometry



GROUND TERMINAL

- For the satellites laser communication ground terminal it is planned to use the existing infrastructure and collaborate with the related three ground telescopes based in New Mexico, California or Spain.

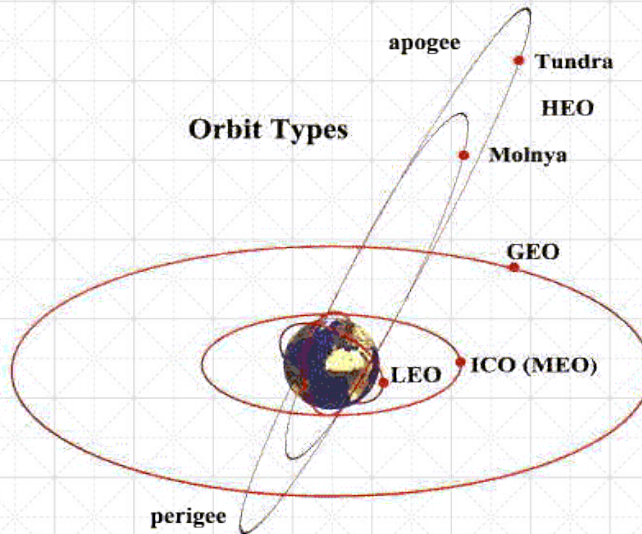
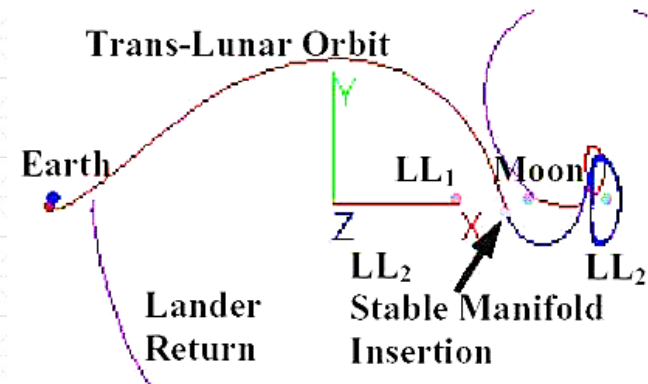


OPERATION

For the spacecraft telemetry and payload downlink and uplink communication the S-Band Transmitter of 4W will be combined with a 10W patch antenna . The expected data rate is 100–200bps. After establishing the laser communication additionally broadband laser data communication channel could be used.

ORBITS

- **EML-2:** $\Delta v = 1700 \text{ m/s}$,
365 days.
- $\Delta v_1 = 3122 \text{ m/s}$, $\Delta v_2 = 570 \text{ m/s}$, $\Delta t = 11$ days.
- **HEO:** $\Delta V = \sim 3.64 \text{ km/s}$



TOP RISKS

- Development of piezoelectric closed control loop positioning system for 1– and 3–axis piezoelectric actuators at subnanometer level;
- Testing of positioning system in 1g gravitational environment will not allow to reproduce the microgravity conditions in full scale;
- Optical communication module is planned to be provided by subcontractor;
- The success of the mission depends on launch or ridesharing availability;
- Insertion into the Moon–Earth Lagrange point raising special requirements for launcher.