Kosmické projekty a aktivity v oblasti astrofyziky vysokých energií



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1969 irst considerations started 1990 First micromirror (apertura less than 1 mm) 1970 First X-ray mirror **HISTORY OF** (Wolter 1; 50 mm) **Development before 1987** GRAZING 1993 Collaboration with SAO, USA, WF Xcompletely independent ray optics started All of the X-ray without any contact to other imaging telescopes **INCIDENCE X**groups and without access to onboard Soviet relevant literature and/or 1996 spacecrafts were meetings and workshops First Lobster Eye (Schmidt) **RAY OPTICS IN** equipped with the 1976 Wolter 1: 115 mm AUOS-S-IK Czech X-ray optics THE CZECH 1999 Lobster Eye (Angel) REPUBLIC First mirrors flown in Space 2000 Soller Slit 1979 (2xtwo Wolter 50 mm) 2001 Multifoil optic VERTIKAL8 and 9 981 Salyut 7 orbital station RT-2002 Micromirror with multilayers 4M (Wolter 240 mm nested) Hudec, R "History of grazing *incidence x-ray optics in the* Glass foil mirrors Czech Republic, "Proc. SPIE 1985 Applications for plasma physics. 7360, EUV and X-Ray Optics: 2006 Si wafer mirrors EH 17 mm, PP 20 mm *Synergy between Laboratory* 2007 Micromirror – test at HASYLAB and Space, 73600D (30 April FOBOS 1 Mars probe, TEREK 2010-20: LE optics, KB optics, novel 1988 2009); doi: 10.1117/12.820356 X-ray Telescope Wolter 80 mm technologies, miniature telescopes, 1989 KORONAS I, Wolter 80 mm active optics

Total number of X-ray mirrors produced: more than 50Total spacecrafts with Czech X-ray optics: 4 (5)Total number of mirrors flown in space: 8 (10)Total number of space experiments with Czech X-ray optics onboard: 8



X-ray Telescopes long CZ history 1970 -





TEREK Phobos 1 1988



Two identical mirrors (large hyperbolas) of the RT-4M mirror array (Ni surfaces), 1981.

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The four mandrel used for the manufacture of X-ray mirror nested array for the RT-4M soft X-ray telescope (Glass ceramics Sital). Flown onboard the space station Salyut 7 in 1981.



Replicated Wolter - 1 X-ray mirrors of the KORONAS satellite (aperture 80 mm), 1989

ESA ATHENA: alternative optics in KB arrangements. Kirkpatrick Baez modules in PANTER X-ray test facility



The ESA INTEGRAL Mission



Gamma-ray observatory with concurrent X-ray and optical monitoring.

INTEGRAL is the ESA Science Programme's mission launched on October 17, 2002. Still in operation.

ESA led mission in collaboration with Russia, United States, Czech Rep. and Poland

Czech participation based on Agreement

CR – ESA (from 2009 full ESA member)

Czech participation: OMC onboard camera, ISDC Science Data Centre, Scientific Analyses, cons membership



Optical Monitoring Camera (OMC)



- 500 600 nm wavelength range
- CCD (2048 x 1024 pixels)
- 5 x 5 degree FOV, 20" imaging
- Optical monitoring of highenergy sources
- 17 kg
- Sensitivity: 18.2 mag in 1000 s
- Czech participation: onboard software, ISOC and ISDC software, simulators, test camera, tests, science





OMC Pointing Software OMC PS

- Developed by Věra Hudcová at Al Ondřejov, still in use
- Part of ISOC Integral Science Operation Centre
- Generates telecommands sent to the satellite Controlls the OMC
- Selects objects observed. Transfer of up to 100 objects



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SMILE and THESEUS

- Both ESA missions with Czech participation on main consortium level and payload contribution
- Both mission with SXI soft X ray telescope with Lobster Eye type wide field optics



SMILE: ESA-CAS (China)

Solar wind Magnetosphere Ionosphere Link Explorer

- Small spacecraft (<300 kg) and payload (<60 kg)
- SMILE formally selected by ESA SPC in early November 2015



Solar Wind Charge eXchange (SWCX) X-ray imaging of the dayside magnetosheath and the cusp

Investigate the dynamic response of the Earth's magnetosphere to the solar wind impact in a unique and global manner



SMILE Soft X-ray Imager (SXI)

CCD Detector Plane

Photon counting

High QE in soft X-rays ~80% at 250 eV

Medium energy resolution ~50 eV FWHM at 500 eV













Many bright X-ray sources

Many well-known calibration sources & IACHEC¹ standard candles (1ES0102, N132D, PKS2155, Zeta Puppis, AB Dor, LMC-X2, LMC X-3, Vela Pulsar...)

Analysis of all RASS sources >2 cps (237) over full year of SXI observations (m05, S8, a0):

- Only occurrences of 6+ sources in the SXI FOV when observing the LMC...

SXI Sky exposure

1: IACHEC: International Astronomical Consortium for High-Energy Calibration

Cosmic sources passing through the SXI FOV

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RASS catalogue PSPC count rate > 1 cps Bright Star catalogue V mag brighter than 4th mag TD1 catalogue 1565Å flux > 2e-10 cgs

MOVIE SHOWING UV STARS AND PLASMASPHERE



Red + Green (>2x10⁻⁹ ergs s⁻¹ cm⁻² Å⁻¹) circles are UV (B stars) from TD1 catalogue

R_E sphere around Earth represents plasmasphere (4 R_E radius within SXI FOV ~23% of SXI on-time)

Detection of cosmic sources with SXI/SMILE

SXI: Large Magellanic Cloud (LMC) Region, 20.0 ks Exposure



LMC X-3 in the field of view of SXI/SMILE



1-day means, integration time: ~30 min per day

ISS / MAXI data (2 – 3 keV) Simulation of observing with SXI/SMILE

Perspective of analysis of cycles of complex longterm activity

Expected limit for 1000 s of int. time of SXI/SMILE

Secondary Science: X-ray binaries for SXI/SMILE

High-mass X-ray binary in the Magellanic cloud
Black hole + lobe-filling B-type mass-donating star
Orbital period of 1.7 day, but X-ray variations
occur on super-orbital time scale (often weeks)

SMC X-1: superorbital X-ray modulation, persistent accretion disk (neutron star+B0 supergiant)

- LMC X-2: low-mass X-ray binary, neutron star accretor, Z-source
- LMC X-3: high-mass X-ray binary, black hole
- SMC X-2: transient X-ray pulsar, neutron star+Be binary
- SMC X-3: transient X-ray source, neutron star+Be
- CAL 83: thermonuclear accretion on the white dwarf

Lanna Nov 12, 202 CAL 87: thermonuclear accretion on the white dwarf

ESA THESEUS mission: ESA M5 call

Transient High Energy Sources and Early Universe Surveyor

Soft X-ray Imager (SXI): a set of four sensitive lobster-eye telescopes observing in 0.3 - 5 keV band, total FOV of ~1sr with source location accuracy 0.5-1';
X-Gamma rays Imaging Spectrometer
InfraRed Telescope (IRT):

performing an unprecedented deep survey of the soft X-ray transient Universe



In final competition not selected, but consortium will try to submit again



Prompt downlink

THESEUS, Cataclysmic Variables and Supersoft X-ray sources: our scientific contribution

- Search for spectral variations
- A very important role of the spectral region of the X-ray monitor – the soft X-ray activity (e.g. ASM, MAXI) of a given object can be very different from that in the hard X-ray band (BAT).
- Transitions between the states of activity: large differences between the light curves in various X-ray bands (structural changes of the emitting regions).



ESA Gaia

- Participation in Gaia Photometric Science Alerts system by providing follow-up by our robotic telescopes
- With emphasis on microlensing events, blazars and cataclysmic variables, mostly new and with very large amplitudes
- Use of Gaia data with emphasis on RP,BP for study of HE sources:
- Color-color analyses and LDS

Examples of Gaia photometric alerts observed by our RTs

Recently 3 RTs: BART, D50, SBT

Ground-based support for satellite projects, observing campaigns etc.

Ground based support: robotic telescopes

- More than 50 targets in the list for continuous monitoring, mostly INTEGRAL HE sources, blazars, CVs, and newly detected Gaia alert sources. Automated data pipeline developed by M. Jelinek.
- Satellite observing campaigns. GRBs alerts follow-up.

Gaia18cnz by D50 (id 01144)

Gaia16aye by D50 (id 01111)

Gaia18cmy by D50 (id 01145)

KR Aur by D50 (id 01104)

Organization of international conferences

- IBWS INTEGRAL/BART workshop from 2002, annual
- AXRO International Workshop on Astronomical Xray Optics from 2008, annual
- SPIE Conference EUV and X Ray Optics Synergy between Laboratory and Space bi-annual since 2009

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Thanks for your attention

