

The E-TEST Prototype

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Partners



Objectives

- Large mirror (100 Kg)
- Cryogenic temperature (20 K)
- Radiative cooling
- Isolated at low frequency (0.1-10 Hz)
- Compact suspension (4.5 meters)



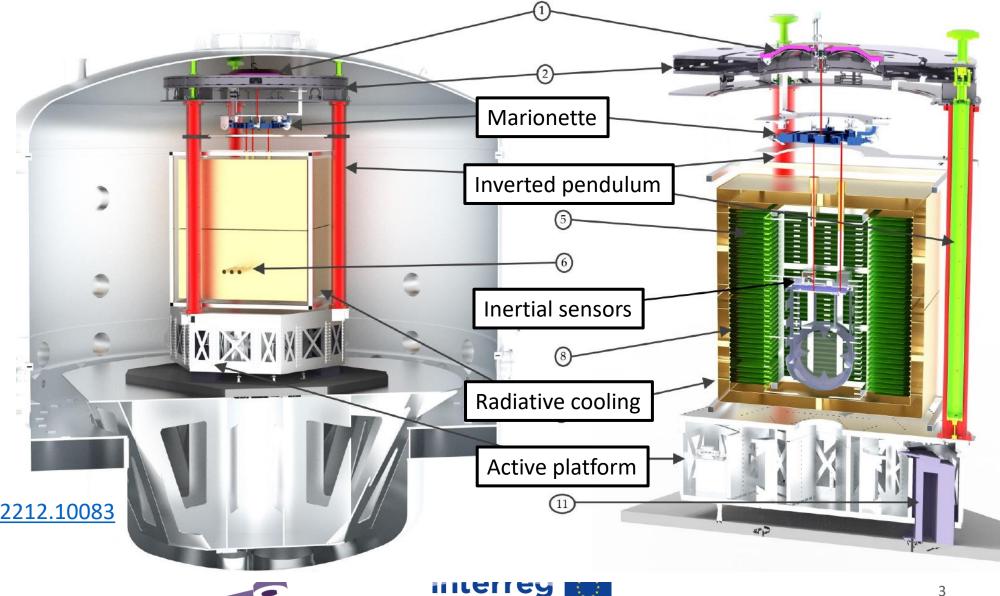


Conceptual design



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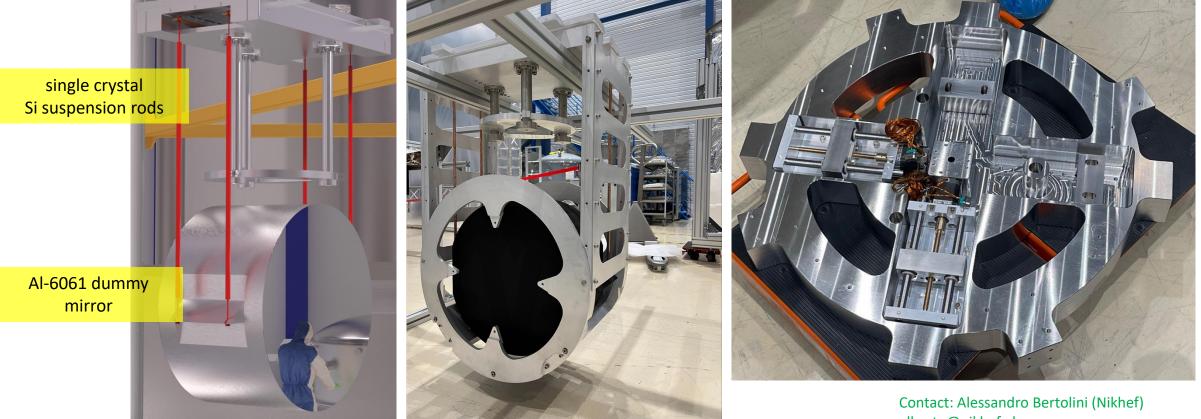
European Regional Development Fund

EST Einstein Telescope EMR Site & Technology

100 kg test mass & suspension

- Crucial technology aspect for ET: no proven solution exists ٠
- Four machined samples delivered •
- Silicon mirror ordered (delivery end of 2024) ٠

Marionette













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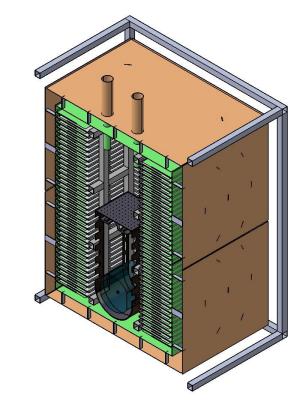
Cryostat development



✓ overall dimensions: 1.8 x 1.6 x 2 m³

✓ conventional radiator design with horizontal fins (25K)

✓ three 30-mm diameter optical feedthroughs towards the mirror



Outer cryostat: 80K LN2 shield (brown) 25K GHe panels (green)





Inner cryostat suspended and conductively linked to the silicon mirror

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Laser Development at Fraunhofer ILT

- Goal: Development of high stability lasers at 2 μm wavelength
- Successful demonstration of critical laser parameters for NPRO and multi-stage fiber amplifier
- Ho:YAG NPRO
 - 400 mW output power with excellent beam quality and linear degree of polarization
- Holmium-doped fiber amplifier
 - >10 W output power with excellent beam quality, narrow linewidth, linear degree of polarization
 - Relative intensity noise (RIN) analysis performed
 → Good results without stabilization
 → RIN @ 100 Hz approx. 10⁻⁵ 1/Hz^{0.5}







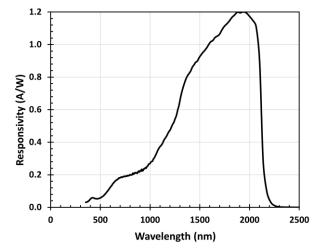


Photodiode developments

- Desktop detection system successfully setup
 - InGaAs diode (Noise equivalent power 1⁻¹³ W/Hz⁻²
 - Suitable for detection at 2.1 micron using lock-in detection
- Setup successfully extended to homodyne detection (based on a principle used at LIGO)
- Novel setup for suppression of back-action noise proposed and theoretically modelled
 - Principle: Compensation of two mirror movement using negative radiation pressure
- Next step: Assembly of final functional desktop system to be integrated with E-Test prototype













Cryogenic test bench



- Closed-cycle cryostat with up to 1W cooling power at 10K
- Vacuum level: better than 10⁻⁹ mbar
- Usable volume: cylindrical 15x15cm
- Fast turnaround and low running costs
- Useful for testing materials, components and assemblies

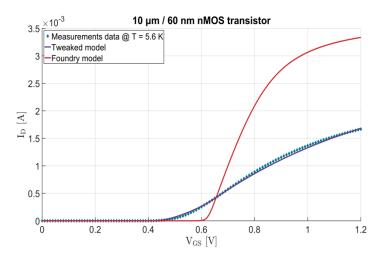
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Custom CMOS chips for sensor signal conditioning at low temperature



- Major achievement in cryogenic CMOS structures modeling: faithful representation over the full range of gate-channel geometries
- Custom Au-plated parts for photodiode test setup received

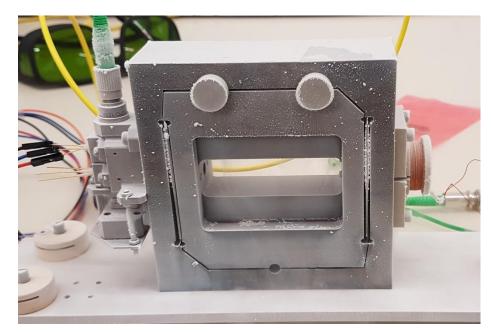


OUR CRYO-MODEL (SO FAR) Error* < 5.7 %

*Maximum current error in saturation and linear region of operation

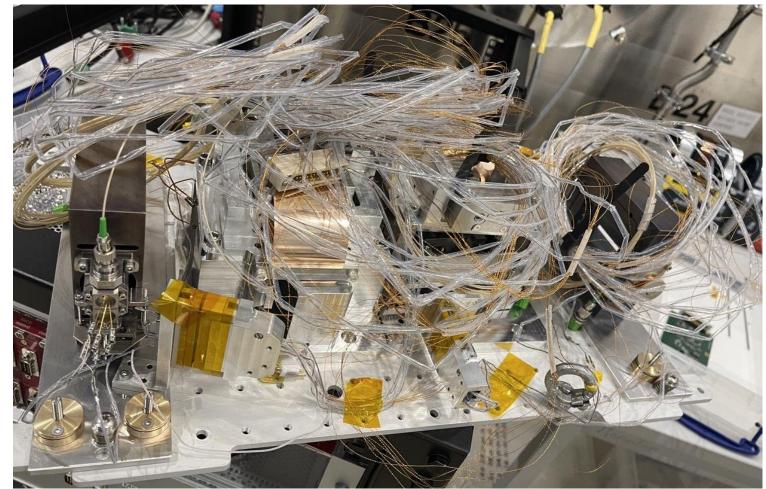


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Cryogenic inertial sensors





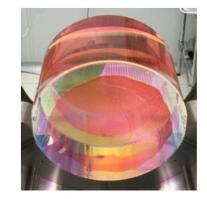




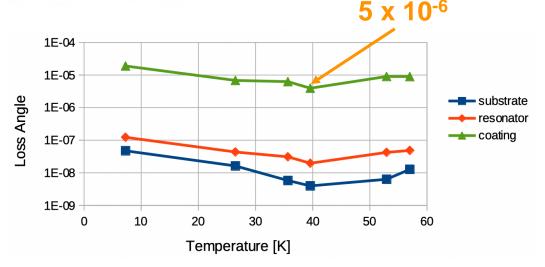


Silicon Mirror Coating

- Phase 1: Selection of appropriate materials
 - Challenge: Reduce mirror coating noise
- Phase 2: Molecular beam epitaxy
 - Production and analysis of 500 nm Cr_2O_3 / Al_2O_3
- Phase 3: Record low mechanical losses
 - Achieved 5 x 10⁻⁶ loss angle at 40 K
 - Dilution factor = 0.0034
- Phase 4: Next steps
 - Optimize Cr₂O₃ / Al₂O₃
 - Start with Ga₂O₃ / Al₂O₃
 - Assemble 300 mm tool



Approach: Single-crystal oxide coating



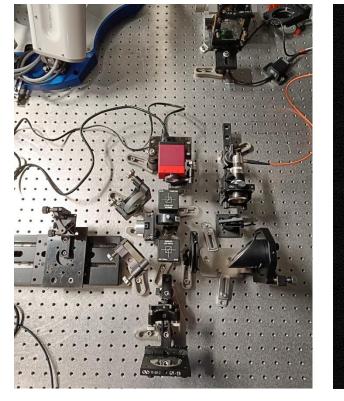


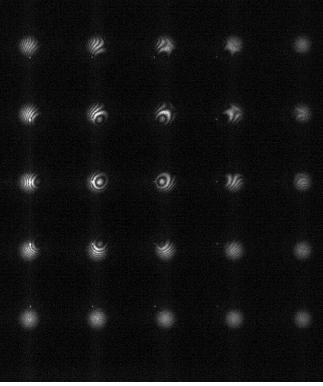


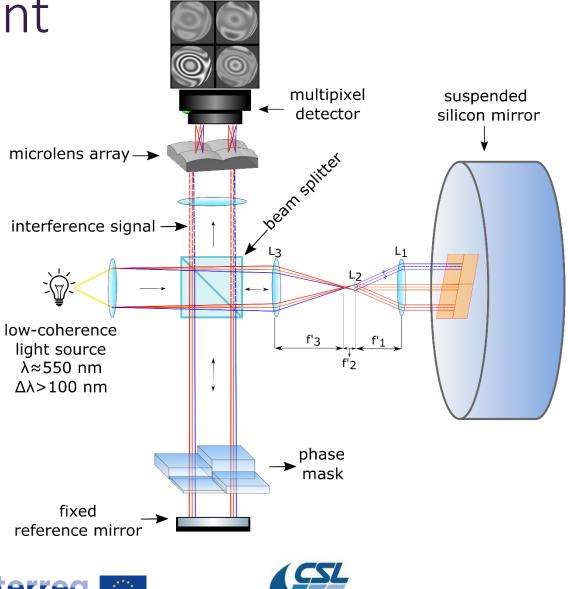


Silicon mirror measurement

Objective : Measurement of local values of vibration and topology change with white light interferometry







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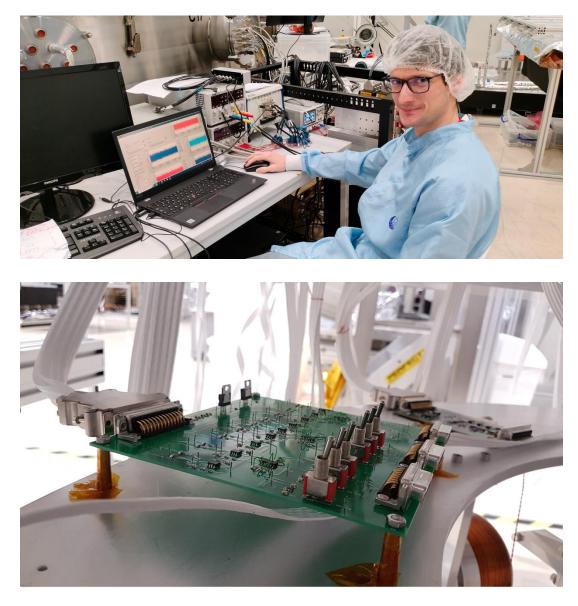




Electronics and control











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Assembly of the prototype









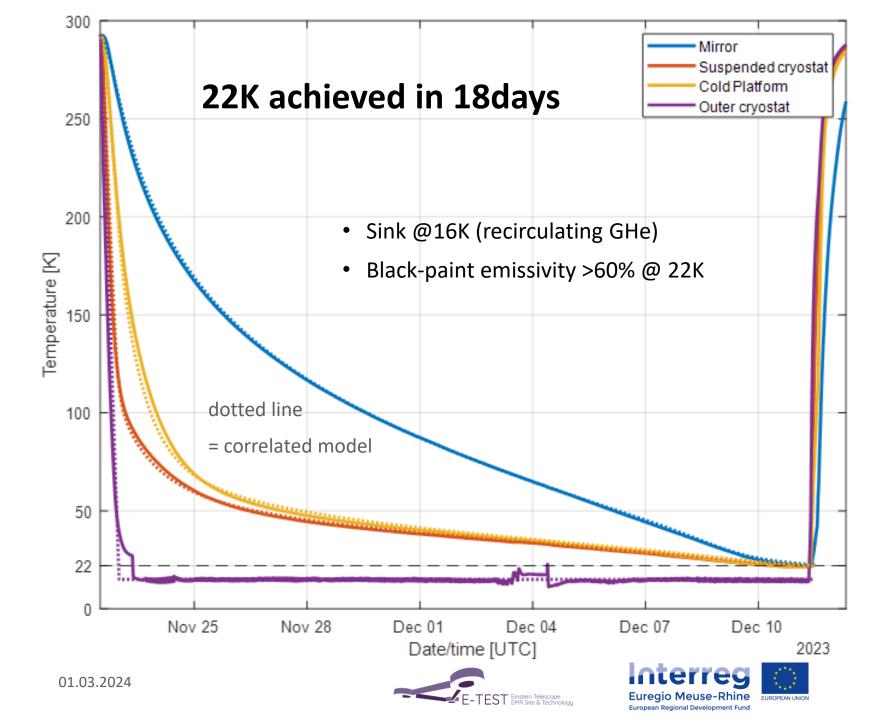






Final installation at CSL





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After integration of outer cryostat including LN₂ shield and GHe panels



Summary @ plan

- Fully assembled prototype combining :
 - 100 kg test mass
 - Low frequency seismic isolation
 - Radiative cooling strategy
- Innovative techologies developed: Laser, photodiodes, coating, interferometry, inertial sensors, heavy suspensions, electronics.
- 1st run in focal 6.5: 11/2023
- 2nd run in the new chamber: 12/2024

E-TEST becomes CRISTAL



