

Cruciale per il buon fine della missione

un effettiva comprensione del comportamento del payload,
del suo impatto sulla qualità delle misure elementari
ed eventuali conseguenze sulla qualità scientifica dei dati distribuiti

Sono considerati aspetti chiave:

- la distribuzione dell'errore random sul piano focale,
- i termini di errore sistematico dovuti ai diversi tipi spettrali, quale la cromaticità,
- le calibrazioni in volo e a terra durante il processamento.



Overview of the Gaia Processing chain



Gaia's astrometric payload









Angular coordinates

$$\omega t = \phi(t)$$
 $(\omega + \Delta \omega)t = \phi(t) + \Delta \phi$

 $\xi + BA = \phi$ $\delta \xi + \delta BA = \delta \phi$

 $\xi = y/EFL$

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 $\begin{aligned} \eta(2) &= y \cdot os(2; x, y) + BA \\ \xi(2) &= x \cdot os(2; x, y) \end{aligned}$

 $\delta BA(x,y)=\eta(2)-\eta(1)=y\cdot[os(2;x,y)-os(1;x,y)]$

BA

The Focal Plane Assembly Layout

Gaia is designed to perform angular position measurements in their sensitive directions by centroiding their diffraction-limited images

Astrometric Accuracy goal: few ten µas corresponding to 10⁻⁴ pixel size





A fundamental limit to the location process is given by the Cramer-Rao bound



$$\sigma_x = \frac{\alpha \,\lambda}{4\pi \, X \, SNR}$$

$$SNR \le \sqrt{N}$$

 $X = L/\sqrt{12}$ for a rectangular pupil of size L in the x direction

$$\sigma_x = 0.8660 \frac{\lambda}{\pi L \sqrt{N}}$$

 σ : Standard deviation of image location

λ: Effective wavelength of observationX: The root-mean-square (rms) extension of the telescope entrance pupil in the high-resolution direction

N: Number of photons collected (noiseless detection, no background, ...)

α>1: Instrumental factor of degradation (image quality, sampling resolution, location algorithm, ...)

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Quantity	Hipparcos	Gaia
photon flux	$10^4 (10 \text{ mag})$	$10^2 (15 \text{ mag})$
aperture size, D_x	0.25 m	1.4 m
aperture area	0.03 m^2	0.7 m^2
EBW	4 nm	300 nm
total time on object	500 s	3000 s
no. of photons, N	$6 imes 10^5$	$6 imes 10^7$
	0.2 mas	3 μ as

End-of.mission parallax standard error of order of 10 μ as for G< 10 and 30 μ as for G2V star of G=15. Stringent constraint on the accuracy of the location estimation on the CCD for each observation: **0.3 mas** \longrightarrow **0.005 pixels** for a G2V star at G=15



Electro-optical response variation

Impact of ideal CCD on monochromatic PSF:



Busonero et al. A&A 2006 Busonero et al. SPIE 2010



PSF in field position #3 @ λ =630 nm







AIM goals/ concepts

Overview of the AIM scientific SW modules

Briefing of the work in progress

Busonero SPIE 2012 Busonero te al. SPIE 2010

AVU/AIM

Processing of the raw data coming from AF area of the focal plane in order to monitor and analyse the Gaia Astro instruments response (Astro1, Astro2 telescopes + FPA/AF area) and the astrometric data quality over the mission lifetime.

Fundamental:

•AIM implement and perform an instrument response monitoring and diagnostics independent of the baseline processing, so to compare the two results, and to report on possible alerts (daily and weekly reports).

•Different approach for assessing the astrometric instrument response during in-flight operations and image profile calibration procedure

AIM system - Why

Verification of the performance of specific parts identified as being critical to the astrometric error budget, of the IDT pipeline (i.e., psf modeling, location estimation, radiation damage..)

Instrument monitoring during operation and diagnostic;

Calibrations of the AF part of the focal plane;

Understanding the parameter degeneration of the relation linking the observations to the instrumental behavior, and optimize the estimation process at the CCD and field-of-view crossing level.

✓ Critical for the system is the definition and maintenance of a physical instrument model fitting the science data, and able to accommodate non nominal configurations.

Busonero, Loreggia, Riva 8449-57 SPIE 2012

 \checkmark Precise modeling of the astrometric response is required for optimal definition of the data reduction and calibration algorithms, and to ensure highest possible sensitivity to both the instrument and the astrophysical sources.



PCA approach: 75 coefficients each function

Parent function for generation of the monochromatic basis functions AIM image profile modeling:

•for calibration •and image parameter determination

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Higher order functions: parent function and its derivatives

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$$\psi_{0}^{m}(x) = sinc^{2}\rho = \left[\frac{\sin\rho}{\rho}\right]^{2}, \ \rho = \pi \frac{xL_{\xi}}{\lambda F}, \qquad \psi_{n}^{m}(x) = \frac{d}{dx}\psi_{n-1}^{m}(x) = \left(\frac{d}{dx}\right)^{n}\psi_{0}^{m}(x),$$

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AVU/AIM scientific modules



AVU/BAM

The Basic Angle Monitoring (AVU/BAM) is the software in charge of processing the BAM Observations in order to monitor and analyse the BA behaviour, estimating the BA variation over the mission timeline

The Bam device produces a fringes set for each Line Of Sight The variation of Base angle is proportional to the variation of the two fringes position

AVU/BAM scientific modules

Fringe profile template calculationFringes parameters extractionsBA Variation determination

Raw Data Processing

Monitoring and analysis on short and medium term

Infrastructure (workflow)

DPCT Repository

Operation Rehearsals

- DPAC level tests *on daily processing*
- To test DPC procedures and to verify that the relevant DPCs are ready for
- *Commissioning* and Operations.
- To verify that relevant daily processing systems are ready for Commissioning.
- To verify the interfaces between DPCs needed for daily processing *during Commissioning*.
- Also used to define and test DPAC communication channels needed for
- Commissioning.
 - 4 ORs are planned, with a possible post-launch OR#5 *only if absolutely necessary*.
 - OR#4 may also test nominal operations procedures.
 - No cyclic processing systems are involved.
 - Uses several days of simulated telemetry, *with problems introduced* to test robustness of the procedures.
 - AVU systems involved: **AIM and BAM**

From Dec 4 through Dec 14 2012, DPCT and the relevant AVU systems (AIM & BAM) successfully participated in OR#2, the first commissioning-like data processing exercise scheduled by DPAC under the supervision of the OCT. The test demonstrated readiness and consistency in routine processing of AstroObs and BamObs and ability to adapt to test conditions different from what anticipated (e.g., 'continuous' transmission mode from DPCE). Reports assessing quality of results prepared and issued whenever possible throughout the test period.

OR2 @ DPCT (ALTEC, Turin) - Dec 4 - 14 2012







AIM

- Able to operate all of integrated modules including the daily LSF calibration module;
- Results were consistent with quality of IDT data transferred





Results for daily LSF calibrations: left, calib. LSF for FOV1 S4R6, W709nm; right, failed calib. In FOV1, S4R7, W641nm (due to undetected anomalous intensity distribution in original pixels as shown by follow-up investigations).





variations of LOS 0 (left) and LOS 1 (right) with time (≈34h of data)

FIGURE 1: FOV 1 fringe position plot

Sudden 'jump' of 7µas after the first 12h into Day 90. The same discontinuity, but in the opposite direction (-7µas), appears at the end of Day 90.



AIM, BAM and the mission timeline



The legacy of AIM and BAM

Full exploitation of the scientific potential of an astrometric experiment by identification and removal of systematic errors, either from astrophysical or instrumental origin, thus ensuring the science quality of delivered data.

The experience suggests to us that a number of tools could be properly
 defined and deployed since the early design phase of future astrometric experiments, making the measurement concept intrinsically more robust.

Development of conceptual and software tools for advanced calibration
 of future astrometric experiments, and specific subsets could be verified e.g. on the data from early Gaia operation

The development of AIM and BAM is a scientific effort that is involving the expertise of several people:

AIM Team

BAM Team

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ALTEC: Rosario Messineo, Enrico Pigozzi, Angelo Mulone

Skills and expertise: location algorithm theory, advanced calibration for correcting the instrumental and astrophysical effects on astrometric signals, high level instrument response modelization, monitoring and diagnostic tools for instrument response, numerical algorithms, Java programming and system engineering

5 INAF people, for a total of 2.6 INAF FTEs 5 INAF people, for a total of 2.7 INAF FTEs