Appendix P

Solar Simulator Testing and Correlation of PHI Heat Rejecting Entrance Window (HREW) of Solar Orbiter

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Abstract

The ESA mission Solar Orbiter will provide a look at the Sun closer than ever before. Among other instruments is the Polarimetric and Helioseismic Imager (PHI) lead by the Max Planck Institute for Solar System Reseach (MPS). PHI instrument will observe the Sun through the Heat Rejecting Entrance Window (HREW) which is an optical filter that has to be placed at the entrance of the instrument acting as a filter rejecting all the radiation coming from the Sun with the exception of a very narrow spectral band around 613.3nm where it is provided a 80% transmission.

A Thermal Balance Test of HREW filter and mounting frame has been held in December 2011 using the Solar Simulator facility of CISAS University of Padova to validate the values of the thermal parameters adopted for the thermal modeling of the HREW window in operative conditions. This paper describes the solar simulator test campaign and the thermal modeling performed in order to compare numerical and experimental results. A thermal mathematical model of the test-bed with all the thermal and mechanical interfaces has been added to the filter model in order to compare the experimental data with the results of the numerical models. Thermal model correlation allow to validate the HREW filter thermal mathematical model providing more reliable prediction of thermal behavior of rejecting window during Solar Orbiter mission.









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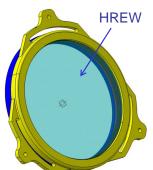


Introduction





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A **Thermal Balance Test** of HREW filter and its mounting frame has been held in December 2011 using the **Solar Simulator** facility of CISAS "G.Colombo" University of Padova in order to validate the values of thermal parameters adopted for the thermal modeling of HREW filter

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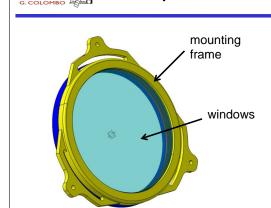
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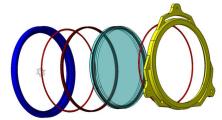
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Description of HREW filter

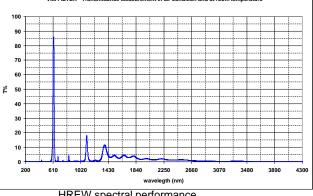
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The Heat Rejection Entrance Window is on optical component that has to be placed at the entrance of PHI instrument acting as a filter rejecting the radiation in the range from 200nm to 5000nm with the exception of a very narrow band at 617,3nm where the transmission is more than the 80%.



HREW filter exploded view



HREW spectral performance

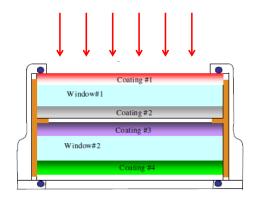


Description of HREW filter



The filter is composed by two quartz windows (diameter = 160 mm, thickness = 10mm) separated by a 3mm gap.

The optical performances are provided by 4 coatings on windows



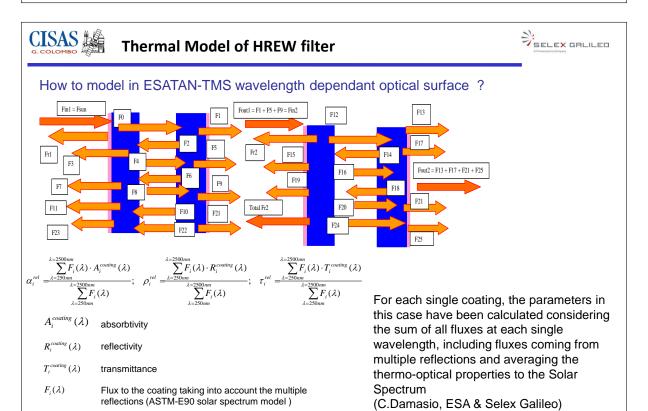
The optical performances are provided by 4 coatings:

- Coating #1: UV Mirror to reflect the UV radiation down to 200 nm
- Coating #2: High-Pass Dichroic to define the cut on the band pass
- Coating #3: Low-Pass Dichroic to define the cut off on the band pass
- Coating #4: IR Shield to reflect the IR radiation up to 4300 nm

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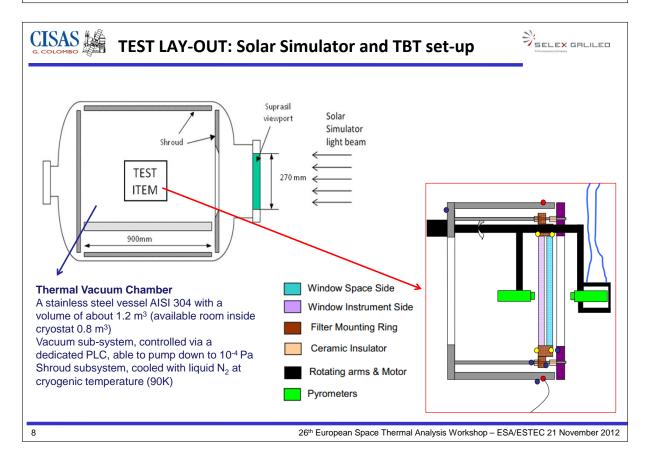






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Placed externally to the TVC, it produces a nearly-collimated (divergence < 30') steady beam with a homogeneous flux distribution (uniformity better than 10%) across an aperture of 300 mm diameter and allows to obtain an irradiance up to 6-7 SC.

The light beam is generated by a 10kW Xenon lamp placed in the focus of an ellipsoid mirror. The optical path is based on a series of multiple reflections onto thermally controlled mirrors to produce a collimated beam towards the TVC



CISAS - Solar Simulator lay-out

CISAS - Solar Simulator Optical bench

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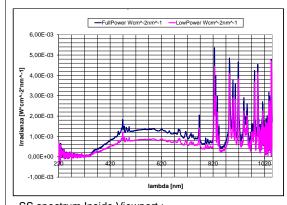
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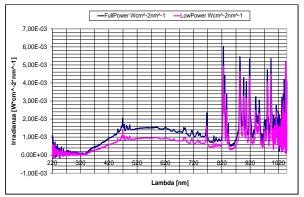
Once aligned and correctly positioned with respect to the thermal vacuum chamber, the solar simulator has been characterized using a spectrometer (both outside and inside the thermal vacuum chamber) and a water cooled Gardon heat flux sensor

The maximum irradiance is of about 9-10 kW/m2





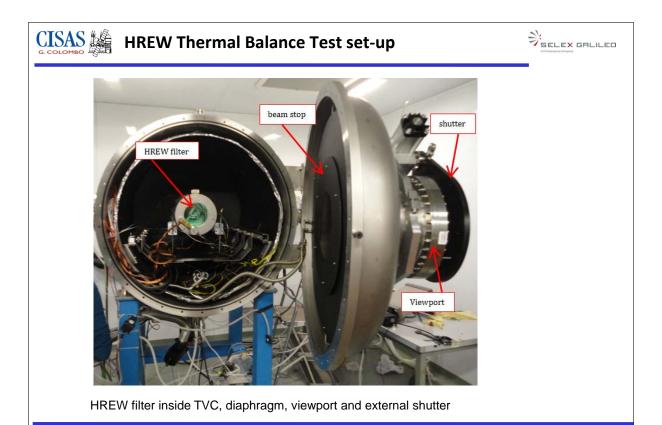
SS spectrum Inside Viewport: maximum and lowered power

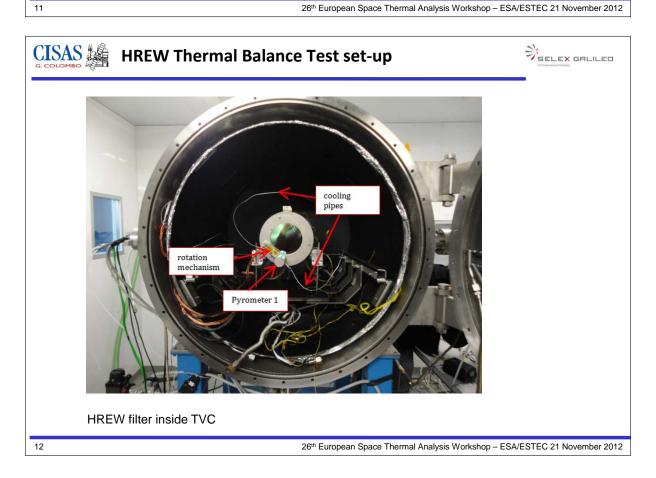


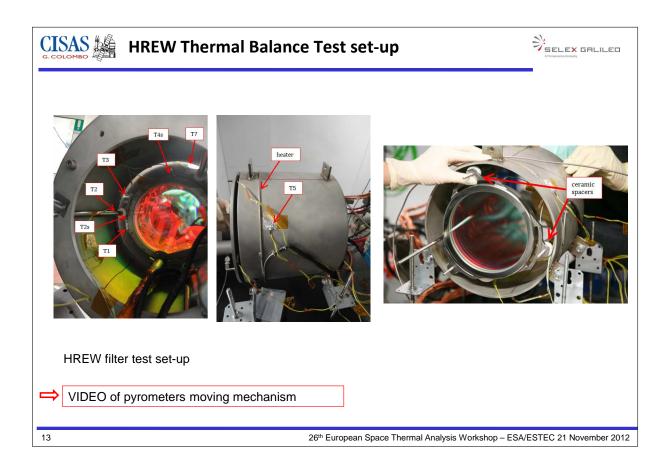
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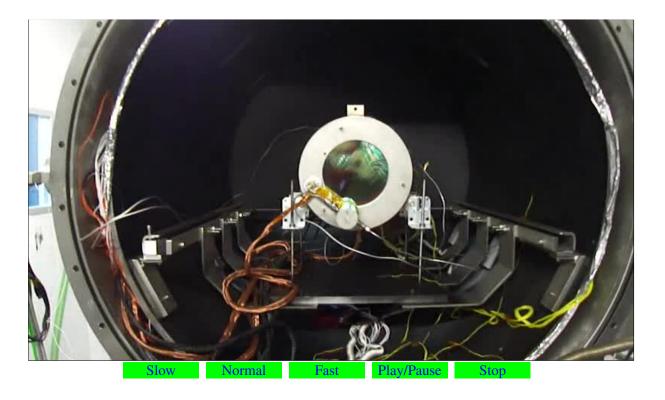
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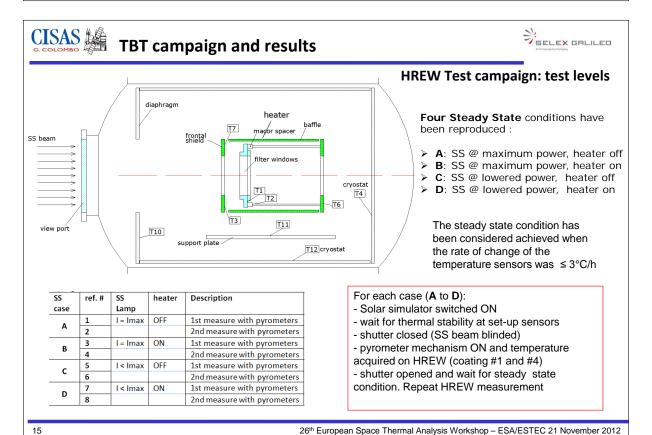


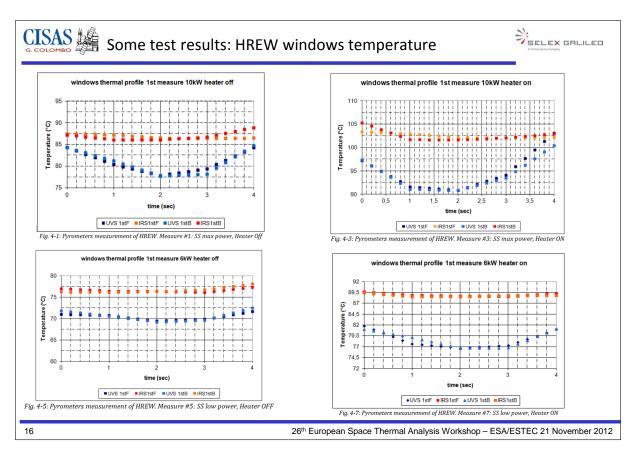


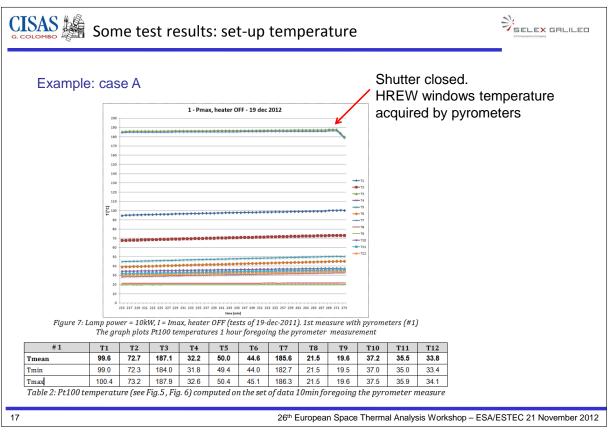
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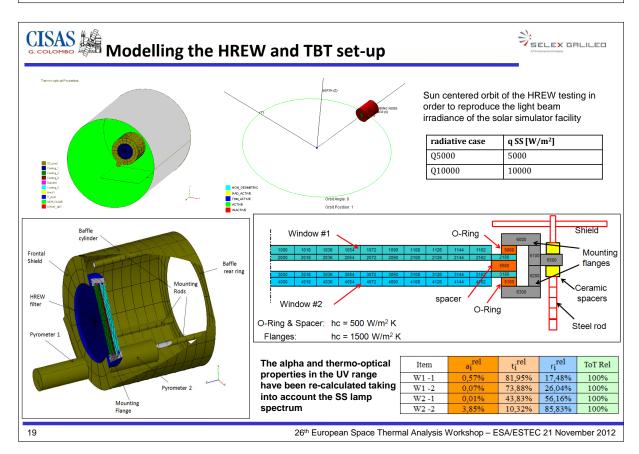


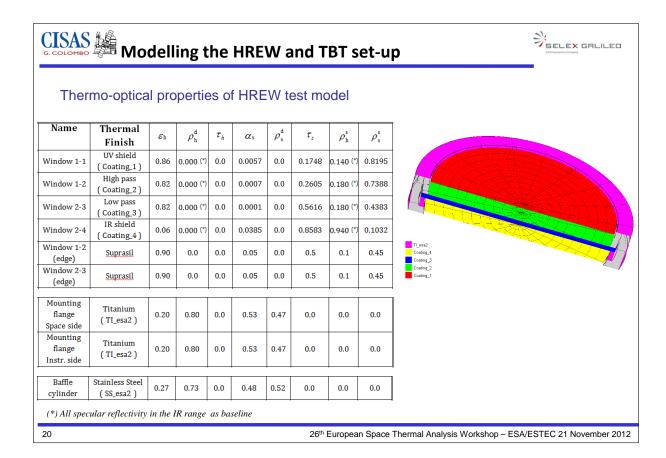


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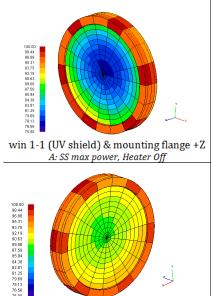


Boundary conditions/nodes used in thermal model correlation

			Analysis / Test case					
		MAX Power, heater OFF	MAX Power, heater ON	Low Power, heater OFF	Low Power, heater ON			
Boundary Nodes	Name	Temp sensor	A (1,2) SB_Q10000	B (3,4) SBH_Q10000	C (5,6) LSB_Q5000	D (7,8) LSBH _Q5000		
B6500, B6600, B6700	Mounting Flange Blades	T1	100	116	88	101		
B8126-B8143	Baffle HEATER	T5	52	93	51	91		
B8300-B8353	Baffle rear ring	Т6	47	72	48	69		
B8409, B8509, B8609	Mounting Rods (IF nodes)	T2	75	97	68	88		
В9000-В9035	Frontal Shield	(T3+T7)/2	187	193	157	161		
B100100	Internal TVC Criostat cylinder	T12	36	52	38	49		
B100200	Internal TVC Criostat end	T4	34	51	38	48		
B100300	Internal TVC <u>Criostat</u> stop	T10	38	49	38	45		
B200100	Internal TVC Base Plate	T11	38	56	42	54		
B999999	Environment	T8, T9	20	20	20	20		

Table 4-2: Boundary conditions used in TBT analysis

HREW windows as diffusive nodes and compared with temperatures acquired by pyrometers



win 2-4 (IR shield) & mounting flange -Z
A: SS max power, Heater Off

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HREW thermal model correlation



A comparison between the temperature range of HREW window obtained durign test campaign and the results of thermal model are summarized in Table

A	model [°C] test [°C]		ΔT [°C]		test [°C]		ΔT [°C]			
А	SB_Q10000		A - measure #1		# 1		A - measure #2		# 2	
	periphery (*)	center (**)	periphery	center	periphery	center	periphery	center	periphery	center
UV shield (ext.)	87	78	84	78	3	<1	86	80	1	-2
IR shield (ext.)	92	89	87	86	5	3	91	90	1	-1
В	model	[°C]	test [°C]		ΔT [°C]		test [°C]		ΔT [°C]	
В	SBH_Q1	0000	B-measure #3		# 3		B - measure #4		# 4	
	periphery (*)	center (**)	periphery	center	periphery	center	periphery	center	periphery	center
UV shield (ext.)	100	90	99	91	1	-1	98	91	2	-1
IR shield (ext.)	106	102	105	102	1	<1	-	-	-	-
С	model	[°C]	test [°C]		ΔΤ [°C]		test [°C]		ΔT [°C]	
	LSB_Q5000 C-measure		ıre #5	# 5		C - measure #6		#6		
	periphery (*)	center (**)	periphery	center	periphery	center	periphery	center	periphery	center
UV shield (ext.)	75	68	72	69	3	-1	76	70	-1	-2
IR shield (ext.)	79	76	77	76	2	<1	80	79	-2	-3
D	model	[°C]	test [°C]		ΔT [°C]		test [°C]		ΔT [°C]	
U	LSBH_Q	5000	D - measure #7		# 7		D - measure #8		#8	
	periphery (*)	center (**)	periphery	center	periphery	center	periphery	center	periphery	center
UV shield (ext.)	85	77	82	77	3	<1	82	77	3	<1
IR shield (ext.)	91	87	91	90	<1	-3	91	90	<1	-3

ΔT between experimental and numerical results is ≤ 3°C

Temperature range: periphery-center of the window:

 $(*) \ mean \ value \ of \ periphery \ rings \ nodes \ of \ the \ window$

(**) mean value of center nodes of the window

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Conclusions

- HREW filter has been tested using a Solar Simulator facility giving an experimental insight of the filter thermal behavior
- Thermal Model of the filter has been correlated to experimental results and the assumptions made on thermal propertied has been validated
- The updated HREW model provided more reliable prediction of thermal behaviour of rejecting windows during Solar Orbiter mission
- Wavelength dependant properties implementation on ESATAN-TMS would be a great advantage for modelling this kind of devices

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