

Abstract Submitted
for the DAMOP20 Meeting of
The American Physical Society

MAIUS-B: Towards dual species matter wave interferometry in space¹ BAPTIST PIEST, WOLFGANG BARTOSCH, JONAS BHM, MAIKE LACHMANN, MAGDALENA MISLISCH, VERA VOLLENKEMPER, THIJS WENDRICH, ERNST RASEL, Univ Hannover, QUANTUS TEAM — After the successful launch of the MAIUS-1 mission and the first demonstration of Bose-Einstein condensation and coherent matter wave manipulation in space [1] we aim for two-species atom interferometers on the sounding rocket missions MAIUS-2 and -3. The new system contains, in addition to Rb-87, K-41 as a second species and will utilize Raman double-diffraction enhanced beam splitters. As part of our flight preparations we have set up a test bed including the original physics package and a ground-based laser and electronics system which closely resembles the flight configuration. In our ground-based experiments we succeeded in generating Bose-Einstein condensates containing more than $3 \cdot 10^5$ Rb-87 atoms and $5 \cdot 10^4$ K-41 atoms in less than 2.5 s. Recently developed laser cooling schemes like sub-Doppler cooling of K-41 on the D1-line [2] and blue-detuned magneto-optical trapping of Rb-87 [3] have been proven to work efficiently on our atom chip setup giving perspectives for future space missions using compact setups. Here, we give an overview of the planned sounding rocket missions and present the current status of the ongoing experiments. [1] D. Becker et al., Nature **562**, 391–395 (2018) [2] H. Chen et al., PRA **94**, 033408 (2016) [3] K. N. Jarvis et al. PRL **120**, 083201 (2018)

¹MAIUS B: Towards dual species matter wave interferometry in space

Baptist Piest
Univ Hannover

Date submitted: 31 Jan 2020

Electronic form version 1.4