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Onboard Processing Characteristics

- Science Image Data
 - 1280x256 CCD pixels are readout
 - Optional Region of Interest mapping performed
 - Optional Flat Fielding performed
 - Optional data binning performed
 - Optional rice compression performed
 - Data broken into 256 word blocks
 - 8 words of error correction codes calculated
 - Completed image data packet queued for transmission over X-band
- Instrument State of Health Data
 - Status information sampled in 32 word packet
 - Packets have a common-format block header
 - Header contains packet type, checksum and timestamp
 - SoH is sent over both X-band and S-band
 - A packet scheduler decides when to insert SoH into the downlink streams.
- Data Binning
 - Data is binned into 1x1, 2x2 or 4x4 samples.
 - The 16 most significant bits of a sample are used in the image data packets.

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SMEI Concept Data Flow

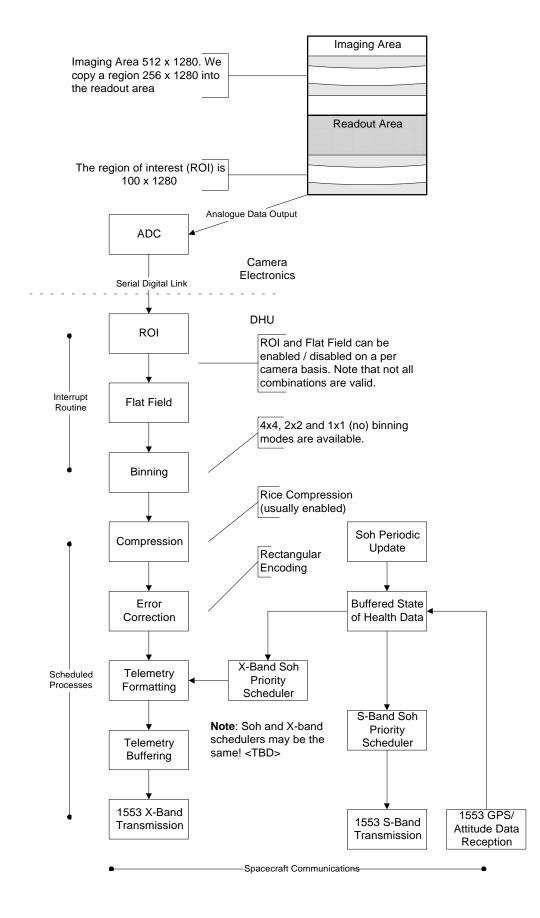


- Science Data Flow
 - Data Received Over 1Mhz Serial Line From Each Camera
 - FPGA Converts Serial Streams To 16-bit Pixel Values
 - Pixels Are Buffered In a 7 Entry FIFO
 - Processor Interrupt Every 4 Pixels
 - ROI, Flat Fielding and 4 x 1 Binning In Interrupt Routine
 - 4 x 1 Cells Loaded Into A Ring Buffer
 - Second Stage Binning To 4 x 4 Bins
 - Binned Data Is Compressed Using The Lossless Rice Compressor
 - Compressed Data Is Error Correction Encoded With A Rectangular Encoding Scheme
 - Complete Frames Of Data Are Buffered
 - Frames Are Transmitted As Contiguous Units
 - Science-Critical Housekeeping Interleaved Between Frames
- Housekeeping Data Flow
 - Samples updated at 1Hz Rate
 - Attitude Solution Received From Spacecraft at 5Hz
 - Stored In A Pool Of Swing Buffers
 - Transmitted Over State Of Health and Science Channels
- Commanding
 - Move SMEI Between Major Modes Of Operation
 - Handle Emergency Shutdown Conditions
 - Update Main E²PROM
 - Change Observing Parameters
 - Door Openning

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SMEI Onboard Data Overview



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Observation Modes



Engineering Mode A

- Only 1 Camera
- No Flat Fielding
- No ROI Mapping (1264 x 256 pixel readout)
- No Binning
- 323584 uncompressed words per frame
- 128,000 bps Telemetry
- 992 kwords of DHU memory for a frame buffer

Assuming 2:1 compression, data is produced at 632 kbps, or a duty cycle of 19% We can buffer 6 complete frames of data in the available DHU memory store.

Engineering Mode B

- Only 1 Camera
- No Flat Fielding
- ROI Mapping (1264 x 100 pixel readout)
- No Binning
- 126400 uncompressed words per frame
- 128,00 bps Telemetry
- 992 kwords of DHU memory for a frame buffer

Assuming 2:1 compression, data is produced at 247 kbps, or a duty cycle of 50% We can buffer 16 complete frames of data in the available DHU memory store.

Hi Resolution Mode

- Only 1 Camera
- Flat Fielding
- ROI Mapping (1264 x 100 pixel readout)
- 2x2 Binning
- 31600 uncompressed words per frame
- 64,000 bps Telemetry
- 247 kwords of DHU memory for flat fielding tables
- 745 kwords of DHU memory for a frame buffer

Assuming 2:1 compression, data is produced at 62 kbps, or a duty cycle of 100%, with a housekeeping and formatting channel of 0.5 kbps.. We can buffer 48 complete frames of data in the available DHU memory store.

Standard Observing Mode

- 3 Cameras
- Flat Fielding
- ROI Mapping (3 x 1264 x 100 pixel readout)
- 4x4 Binning
- 7900 uncompressed words per frame (23700 in total)
- 64,000 kbps Telemetry
- 741 kwords of DHU memory for flat fielding tables
- 251 kwords of DHU memory for a frame buffer

Assuming 2:1 compression, data is produced at 47 kbps, or a duty cycle of 100%, with a housekeeping and formatting channel of 15 kbps. We can buffer 21 complete frames of data in the available DHU memory store, ie 7 per camera.



S-Band Telemetry Format Summary

- Defined in SMEI Instrument Telemetry Format Specification (SMEI/BU/SPE/003)
- Fixed size packets (32 words)
- Data multiplexed using a type field
- Packets time-stamped with UTC seconds LSW field
- Packet checksum but no error correction codes





- Defined in SMEI Instrument Telemetry Format Specification (SMEI/BU/SPE/003)
- Variable size packet format
 - Synchronisation Headers (2 words)
 - Image Data Packets (264 or variable words)
 - State Of Health Packets (32 words)
- Synchronisation Header
 - Type of the following data (SoH / Image)
 - Source Camera for image data
 - Image Frame data continuation marker
 - Number of words until the next sync header
- Image Data Packet
 - 8 words of rectangular error correction
 - Upto 256 words of image data
- State Of Heath Packets
 - As defined for S-band

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Rectangular Error Correction Coding

- A Parity Based Encoder
 - Data bits arranged in a rectangular array
 - Parity calculated for every row and column
- Low Processor Overhead
 - Calculating parity is easy
 - Approximately 20% of the overhead of Reed-Solomon
- Properties
 - All single bit errors in the data bits are correctable
 - All dual bit errors in the data bits are detectable
 - Single bit errors in the parity bits are detectable
 - Many multiple bit errors are detectable
 - 3.2% overhead using an array of 64 x 64 bits

Downlink BER	1E-06		Packet Error Rate is calculated using the binomial distribution					
Frame Size	63200	Bits	P(error) gives the probability of a single bit error in a packet					
			Overhead = ECC bits / Data bits					
	RECT 64x16bit		RECT 64x32bit		RECT 64x64bit		RECT 64x128bit	
Packet Data Bits	1024		2048		4096		8192	
Packet Data Bytes	128		256		512		1024	
ECC Bits	80		96		128		192	
Overhead	7.81%		4.69%		3.13%		2.34%	
Packets Per Frame	62		31		16		8	
Packet Error Rate								
# Errors	P(error)	1/P(error)	P(error)	1/P(error)	P(error)	1/P(error)	P(error)	1/P(error)
1	1.1E-03	906	2.1E-03	466	4.2E-03	237	8.4E-03	119
2	6.1E-07	1640937	2.3E-06	435091	8.9E-06	112094	3.5E-05	28453
3	2.2E-10	4459067331	1.6E-09	608803173	1.3E-08	79612181	9.8E-08	10181164
As we can only corre P(uncorrectable fram						n 1 error.		
					- ()		- ()	
	P(uncorr)	1/P(uncorr)	P(uncorr)	1/P(uncorr)	P(uncorr)	1/P(uncorr)	P(uncorr)	1/P(uncorr)
		26467	7.1E-05	14035	1.4E-04	7006	2.8E-04	3557
	3.8E-05	20407	7.12-03	14033	1.42 04	7000	2.02 01	0001

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SMEI X-Band Data Reconstruction

- Locate Synchronisation Header
 - This allows decoding of the X-band stream
- Locate camera observation parameters housekeeping
 - Camera configuration
 - Observation mode
 - Frame exposure and readout times
 - Compression settings
- Locate Start of Image Data Synchronisation Header
 - Header flag shows 'image data'
 - Header flag does not show continuation marker
- Extract image data
 - Perform error correction checks
 - Use the SH_SIZE field from the header to read all the image data packets in this chunk
 - If the next synchronisation header is a 'continuation' chunk, read image data packets from the next chunk too.
- Decompress the image data
 - At this point, and dual bit errors can potentially be fixed by doing trial decompressions until the right number of image samples are received.
- Reconstruct the image structure
 - This is based on the current ROI for the camera



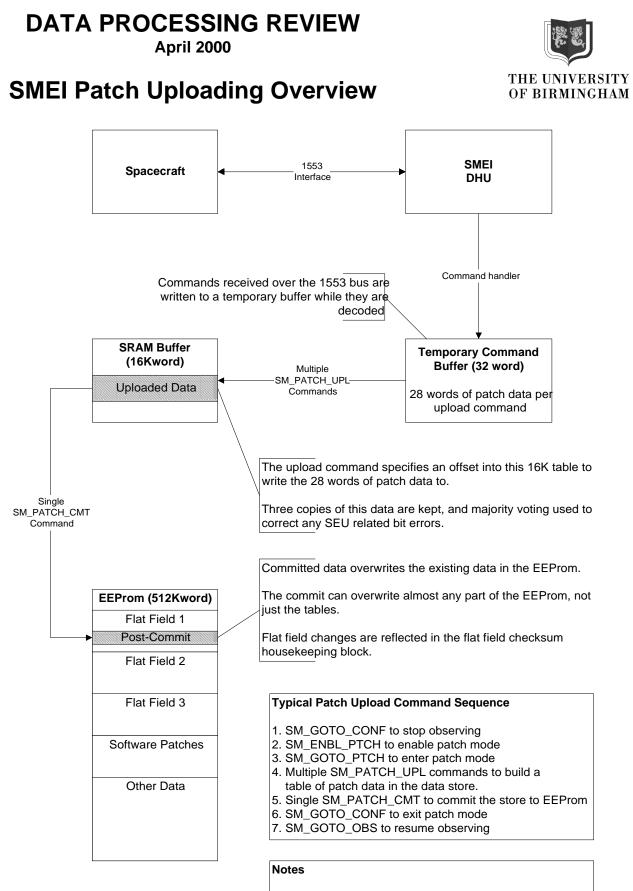
SMEI Onboard Commanding Overview

- SMEI Instrument Commanding Protocol (SMEI/BU/SPE/001)
- SMEI Instrument Commanding Specification (SMEI/BU/SPE/002)
- Fixed length command packets
 - 32 words
 - Unused words filled with 0
- Command Format
 - 16 bit checksum (CRC-16)
 - Sequence number
- Protected Commands
 - Important commands require an enabling command to immediately precede them.
- Sequence Numbers
 - Commands only accepted if sequence = 255 or sequence is 1 more than previous command
 - Used to protect sequences of commands which must be received in-order. (Eg, mode changes, patching)



SMEI Patch Uploading Overview

- Command SMEI to Patch Mode
 - Halt observing (SMEI in configuration mode)
 - Issue Patch Mode Enable
 - Issue Goto Patch Mode
- Upload Patch Data
 - Issue 1 or more Patch Upload commands
 - These build a copy of the patch in SMEI SRAM
- Commit Patch Data to E²PROM
 - Issue Patch Commit to store the uploaded data
- Software Patching
 - For software patching, the uploaded patch can be disabled or enabled using the appropriate command
 - Software patches are not enabled until a DHU restart
- Leave Patch Mode
 - Issue Goto Configuration Mode command



SMEI science data stream is filled with telemetry in patch mode, as there is no science data. This telemetry is mostly memory dump, and can be used to verify the SRAM and EEProm.