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1.1 Introduction

This is the software user manual for the Ptolemy On-Board Software. This software is installed in fuse-link PROMs in the Ptolemy flight model experiment on the Rosetta Lander.

1.2 Intended Readership

The intended readership includes those preparing TCs and procedures for the operation of any Ptolemy model, either in flight or in ground tests. An understanding of the operation of the gas chromatograph and ion-trap mass spectrometer is assumed as well as an appreciation of the context of the Ptolemy instrument on the lander.

1.3 Applicability

This manual applies to the FM version of the software dated 06/04/2002 – this is the only release containing both the safe-mode and science-mode software and is the version held in the Ptolemy FM fuse link PROMs.

1.4 Purpose

1.4.1 Of document

The purpose of this document is to provide an overview of the Ptolemy on-board software, bringing together information from the documents listed in 1.5

1.4.2 Of Software

The purpose of the Ptolemy on-board software is to provide control and monitoring of the Ptolemy experiment, executing the required experiment sequences on the comet. Its main functions are listed below:

- Collection of experiment Housekeeping data and monitoring instrument safety
- Collection, collation and compression of measurement data
- Handling and execution of telecommands from the lander
- Generation of science and Housekeeping telemetry and transmission to the lander
- Control and sequencing of the experiment science system, of the ion-trap and of the oven docking system.

1.5 How to use this document

Detailed information on the Ptolemy On-board software is to be found in the documents named in 1.5 This document is intended as an introduction to the sfotware and its related documentation.

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1.6 Related Documents

The following documents contain much of the information required for the operation of the Ptolemy onboard software. References shall be made to sections in these documents where required. Where this is more convenient, information from these documents may be repeated here.

	1	
RD1	RO-LPT-RS-3103/EID B	Experiment Interface Document part B - includes an overview of the instrument as well as a detailed description of Ptolemy TCs and TM formats (section 4)
RD2	RO-LPT-OU-DP-3205	Section 2.8/2.9 give an overview of the Ptolemy electronics and science system.
RD3	RO-LPT-OU-TN-3401	Ptolemy Hardware/Software Interface Document – describes the Ptolemy electronics hardware from the software viewpoint.
RD4	RO-LPT-OU-RS-3401	Modulus Ptolemy Software User Requirements Document – High-level overview of user requirements including instrument context.
RD5	RO-LPT-RAL-RS-3403	Ptolemy Safe Mode Software User Requirements Document – more detailed user requirements analysis for Safe-mode software
RD6	RO-LPT-RAL-RS-3405	Ptolemy Science Mode Software User Requirements Document – more detailed user requirements analysis for Science mode software
RD7	RO-LPT-OU-PL-3101	Ptolemy Operations Plan – includes a brief description of the modes for the experiment
RD8	RO-LPT-RAL-TN-3403	Ptolemy Telecommand and Telemetry Definitions – describes the TC and TM packets in detail – this information is duplicated in RD2 2.8 & 2.9
RD9	RO-LPT-RAL-LI-3404	Ptolemy FM EEPROM Memory Map

1.7 Conventions

Data bits are numbered with bit 0 as the least significant bit (the opposite convention is used in TM/TC documents).

The Ptolemy processor is configured with a "big-endian" architecture; words are stored MS byte first and long words are stored MS word first. Intel processors use the opposite ("little-endian") form.

1.8 Problem reporting

Problem reporting shall be via the same NCR process used for Ptolemy hardware problems

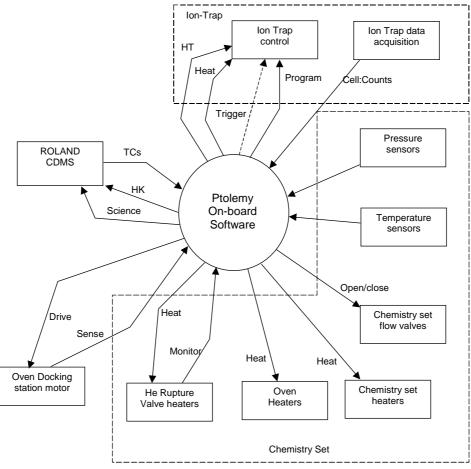
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2 OVERVIEW

2.1 Context

A context diagram for the Ptolemy On Board Software is shown here:



Roland CDMS	Forwards TCs to Ptolemy, acquires HK words and receives science data
	frames from Ptolemy
Oven Docking Station	Software drives motor to dock and undock from oven on carousel
Motor	
He Rupture Valves	Valve is heated to open a Helium tank shortly before start of operations
Oven Heaters	Pulse width modulated by software
Chemistry set Heaters	Various heaters for reactors, pipes etc. PWM by software
Chemistry set flow valves	Used to control flow of gas through chemistry set. Two types: Level
	controlled (Clippard & Injector) and Lindau (controlled by DAC heater)
Temperature sensors	All sensors are thermocouples, AD590 sensor monitors reference junction
Pressure sensors	Used to monitor pressure in pipes, manifolds etc.
Ion Trap data acquisition	Acquires channel:count pairs from Ion Trap and presents them to software
	in a FIFO.
Ion Trap control	Ion trap is controlled by a WGA (waveform generator) which is
	programmed via I2C interface by software. DACs for level settings must
	also be programmed. One of the heaters is applied to the Ion Trap

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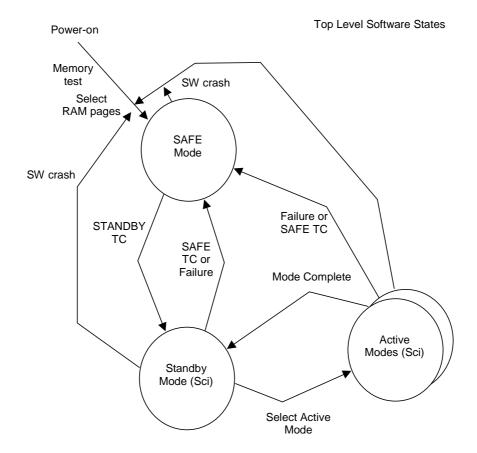
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2.2 Top level structure and control

The Ptolemy On-board software has two major components; the Safe Mode software and the Science Mode software:

Component	Function
Safe Mode	Entered at power-on
	Performs power-on checks; locates page of working RAM
	Responds to HK requests from CDMS
	Science System in safe state with most drives etc. off.
	Allows patch/dump TCs and comanded transition to Science Mode
	(Standby)
Science Mode	Entered by command from Safe mode
	Always starts in Standby
	Responds to HK requests from CDMS
	No patch/dump
	Allows commanded execution of any of the science modes or
	commanded transition to Safe Mode
	Sends science data frames when in on of the active science modes

The top level software states and transitions are shown here:



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Power-on:

At power-on, the software first performs a test of each RAM page (there are 8 of these, pages 8-15, each of size 64k bytes). The first working page of RAM is selected for the SAFE mode working data memory (this will usually be page 8). Safe mode then begins operation.

Safe Mode:

On entering Safe mode, the software generates a "Ptolemy Power-on Start" event packet (RD8 3.6) and then begins normal Safe-mode processing; housekeeping data is provided to the CDMS as requested, filling the 256 word frame with concise HK packets where no event/acknowledge packets need to be transmitted.

The following TCs are accepted:

- CONNECTION TEST (RD8 2.5) responds with an acknowledge packet in HK frame
- DUMP MEMORY (RD8 2.3) produce dumps of PROM, EEPROM or RAM in the Housekeeping frame.
- LOAD MEMORY (RD8 2.2) Allows patching to RAM or EEPROM (any page)
- CHECK MEMORY (RD8 2.4) Responds with checksum over a memory block
- COPY MEMORY (RD8 2.6) allows copying of data between blocks in PROM, EEPROM or RAM

At this stage, the science mode software may be copied from PROM into RAM (by default, to page 9). After this, patches may be loaded directly into RAM or copied from EEPROM. If no patching is required, the science mode software may be executed in PROM, without copying to RAM.

The Science mode software is started, either in PROM or in RAM, by issuing the STANDBY TC. A mode selection event packet (RD8 3.6) shall be generated for inclusion in the next HK frame

Standby Mode:

Standby mode and the active science modes have a separate code page from Safe mode, they share no code but do share the same data structures (in the selected data page). It is in Standby mode that hazardous functions required for subsequent operations must be enabled. From Standby mode, the software may be commanded either back to Safe mode or to one of the 16 active Science modes. TC accepted in Standby are:

- SAFE return to Safe mode
- PARAMETER UPDATE update a parameter in a software table
- HAZARDOUS FUNCTION enable selected hazardous functions
- Select active Science Mode MODE SELECT TC into any of the 16 active Science modes

Each of the 16 active Science modes are started from Standby mode by the MODE SELECT TC. The selected mode runs to completion and autonomously returns to Standby mode

Active Modes:

These active "Science" modes are invoked from Standby mode. For each Science mode, a Mode Event Sequence is defined; a table of Mode Events that determines the sequence of actions (heating, valve operation, ion trap data acquisition etc.) that are to be performed for this mode. Each Mode Event is a high-level instruction to the software, the sequence terminates with a Mode Event that commands the software back to Standby mode. The Mode Event Sequences may be thought of as high-level programs

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that are interpreted by the Ptolemy on-board software. The tables are stored by default in EEPROM, one for each Science mode.

In Science modes, the only TC accepted is SAFE; this allows a return to Safe mode, aborting the current Science mode.

Each Science mode has a separate set of limits for the analogue parameters. Violation of a limit causes the software to re-enter Safe mode.

The nominal completion of an active science mode occurs when the End-of-Mode mode event is encountered and the software returns to Standby model

A detailed description of each Science mode is to be found in RD7.

2.3 Memory Usage:

Type/Page	Address	
	Range	
PROM page 0	00000-0FFFF	SAFE mode code and initialisation for SAFE/SCI data
PROM page 1	10000-1FFFF	SCI modes code, may be executed here or relocated
I/O page 2	20000-2BFFF	Device registers for CPU Card
	2C000-2FFFF	Spacecraft interface (TM/TC)
I/O page 3	30000-33FFF	not used by Ptolemy
	34000-37FFF	RICA (Ion trap control/acquisition ASCI)
	38000-3FFFF	Other peripheral registers
EEPROM page 4	40000-4FFFF	Normal Operating limts, Ion Trap tables and Scan functions for the 16 operating modes
EEPROM page 5	50000-5FFFF	Mode event sequences for the 16 active science modes
EEPROM page 6	60000-6FFFF	Reserved for software updates
EEPROM page 7	70000-7FFFF	Tables of PID constants for Science modes
RAM page 8	80000-8FFFF	Shared data for SAFE and SCI modes
RAM page 9	90000-9FFFF	SCI mode S/W may be relocated here for patching
RAM page 10	A0000-AFFFF	
RAM page 11	B0000-BFFFF	
RAM page 12	C0000-CFFFF	
RAM page 13	D0000-DFFFF	
RAM page 14	E0000-EFFFF	
RAM page 15	F0000-FFFFF	

The current usage and contents of the EEPROM pages are documented in RD9

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3 INSTALLATION

This section is not applicable for the Ptolemy on-board-software as this is an embedded product, installed in fuse-link PROMs on the flight model.

4 USING THE SOFTWARE

This is an embedded, real-time component rather than an interactive software product. The use of the software is generally covered by operations or test procedures as outlined in RD7

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5 REFERENCE

5.1 Mode Events

The mode events can have a length of one to six bytes, depending on the number of parameters. The first and second bytes follow a fixed format:

First byte of Mode Event:

Bit	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00
	Mode Event Type ID						Sense	

Mode Event Type: 18 mode events are defined, each is given a 7 bit type identifier Sense: In some mode events this bit is used to specify e.g dock/undock

Second byte of Mode Event (if present):

Bit	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00
	Device ID							State

Device ID: If required, identifies a device (reactor, valve etc.) to which the mode event refers

State: May be used to specify the sate of the device (e.g open/closed)

Mode Event Types:

The mode event type IDs are listed in the following table. The IDs are numbered so that a single bit change cannot produce another legal ID.

Mode Event	Mode Event	
Type ID	Clinnard Valva Mada Evant	
	Clippard Valve Mode Event	
3	Injector Control Valve Mode Event	
5	Lindau Valve Mode Event	
6	Reactor Mode Event	
9	Mass Spectrometer Operation Mode Event	
10	Heater Mode Event	
12	SMA heater Mode Event	
17	Pressure monitoring Mode Event	
18	Temperature monitoring Mode Event	
20	Auxiliary Data Mode Event	
24	Time Delay Mode Event	
33	Sample Collector Mode Event	
34	Mass Spectrometer Activation Mode Event	
36	WGA Memory check Mode Event	
40	Timer Mode Event	
48	Set Injector Control Valve opening duration Mode Event	
65	RF Frequency Calibration Mode Event	
127	End of Mode Mode Event	

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5.1.1 Clippard Valve Mode Event (ID=0):

Length: 2 bytes

		Bit							
Byte	07 06 05 04 03 02 01						00		
0	0								
1		Valve number							

Valve Number	Number of valve to operate:	0 : V1 1 : V2
	This mode event is used to	2 : V3
	command a Clippard valve	3 : V4
	open or closed	4 : valve deleted
		5 : valve deleted
		6 : V7
		7 : V8
		8 : V9
		9 : V10
		10 : V11
		11 : valve deleted
		12 : V13
		13 : valve deleted
		14 : V15
		15 : V16
Op/Cls	1 for open, 0 for close	

5.1.2 Injector Control Valve Mode Event (ID=3):

Length: 2 bytes

	Bit									
Byte	07	07 06 05 04 03 02 01 00								
0	3									
1	Valve number							Not used		

The indicated injector valve is pulsed open for the duration specified by the Set-injector-control-valve-opening-duration mode event (ID 48).

Valve Numb	er Number of valve to operate:	16 : VA 17 : VB 18 : VC
L S bit	Not used for this mode event	

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5.1.3 Lindau Valve Mode Event (ID=5):

Length: 2 bytes for close, 6 bytes for open

		Bit								
Byte	07	07 06 05 04 03 02 01 00								
0		5 unused								
1	Valve number C							Opn/Cls	Present	
2	Target Pressure (high byte)							Present		
3	Target Pressure (low byte)								only for	
4	Pressure Sensor								Open	
5	Max p	ower							open	

For Close commands, heating of the Lindau valve and monitoring of the pressure are stopped. For Open commands, the software begins heating the Lindau valve, using a PID algorithm to keep the designated pressure sensor reading the target pressure.

		1
Valve Number	Number of valve to operate:	24: LV1
		25: LV2
		26: valve deleted
		27: valve deleted
		28: LV5
		29: LV6
		30: LV7
Opn/Cls	1:open, 0:close	
Target Pressure	The target pressure (in teleme	try counts for sensor)
Pressure Sensor	Designates which pressure	32: G1
	sensor to monitor:	33: G2
		34: G3
		35: G4
		36: G5
Max Power	Maximum Power (in DAC counts)	that PID may demand

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5.1.4 Reactor Mode Event (ID=6):

Length: 2 bytes for end-heating, 6 bytes for start-heating

		Bit									
Byte	07	07 06 05 04 03 02 01 00									
0		6									
1	Reactor number Beg/End								Present		
2	Target Temperature (high byte)								Present		
3	Target Temperature (low byte)							only for			
4	Start of Power Window							Begin			
5	End o	f Power	Window						203111		

For end heating commands, heating of the reactor (or oven) and monitoring of the temperature are stopped. For begin heating commands, the software begins heating the reactor/oven using a PID algorithm to keep the reactor/oven temperature sensor reading the target value.

Reactor Number	heat:	40: R1 41: R2 42: reactor deleted 43: R4 44: R5 45: R6 46: R7 47: R8 48: R9 49-51: no reactors 52: R13 53: R14 54: R15 55: OVEN			
Beg/End	1: Begin heating 0: End hea	ating			
Target Temperature	The target temperature (in	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
Start of power window	In which PWM slot the heating pulse is to start				
End of power window	Latest PWM slot in which he	eating pulse must end			

The power window specifies the range of (1024Hz) time slots in the 4Hz pulse-width-modulation cycle that the PID algorithm may use for switching power to the reactor/oven heater. The PID varies the width of the power pulse by altering the end slot, keeping the start slot the same. The pulse width is limited to that allowed by the specified "Power Window".

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5.1.5 Mass Spectrometer Operation Mode Event (ID=9):

Length: 6 bytes

				В	it					
Byte	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00		
0	9 0									
1	Scan Function Number									
2	Ion Tra	Ion Trap Electrical Characteristics Table Number								
3	Number	of Mass	Spectra (high byte)					
4	Number	of Mass	Spectra (low byte)						
5	Spectru	ım Repeat	Period							

This mode event is used to set up the ion trap and associated electronics for a particular collection mode; operation is started and stopped using the ion-trap activate/deactivate mode event (34)

Scan Function Number	The number (0-7) of the scan function to be				
	started.				
Ion Trap Elec. Char. Table	Number (index) of the table of Ion trap				
Number	set-up values etc. to use				
Number of Mass Spectra	The number of mass spectra to collect				
Spectrum Repeat Period	Period (in seconds) at which spectra are to				
	be acquired				

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5.1.6 Heater Mode Event (ID=10):

Length: 2 bytes for heater off, 5 bytes for heater on (Lindau valve) 6 bytes for heater on (PWM heater).

For Lindau valves:

		Bit									
Byte	07	07 06 05 04 03 02 01 00									
0		10 0									
1	Lindau valve Number On/Off								Present		
2	Target Temperature (high byte)							Present			
3	Target Temperature (low byte)							only			
4	Max p	ower							for On		

For Pulse Width Modulated Heaters:

		Bit									
Byte	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	0.0			
0	10 unused										
1	Heater Number On/Off								Present		
2	Target Temperature (high byte)								Present		
3	Target Temperature (low byte)							only			
4	Start of Power Window							for On			
5	End o	f Power	Window								

Lindau Valve Number	Number of Lindau valve to heat:	24: LV1 25: LV2 26: valve deleted 27: valve deleted 28: LV5 29: LV6 30: LV7			
On/Off	1:Heating on, 0:Heating off				
Target Temperature	The target temperature for h	neater in tlm counts			
Max Power	Maximum Power (in DAC counts) for Lindau valves				
Start Power Window	First 1024Hz slot to use for PWM heaters				
End Power Window	Last 1024Hz slot to use for	PWM heaters			

5.1.7 SMA heater Mode Event (ID=12)

This is a single byte mode event which turns SMA heating on or off:

Bit	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00
				12				On/Off

on/off: 1: Heater on, 0: Heater off

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5.1.8 Pressure Monitoring Mode Event (ID=17):

Length: 6 bytes

	Bit											
Byte	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00				
0	17											
1	Pressure Guage Number											
2	Target Pressure (high byte)											
3	Target	Pressure	(low byt	e)								
4	Timeout period (high byte)											
5	Timeout	Timeout period (low byte)										

This mode event waits until a target pressure is attained. When this pressure is reached, or the wait exceeds the specified timeout period, the mode event completes and the mode event sequence continues

Pressure guage number	Designator for pressure guage to monitor:	32: G1 33: G2 34: G3 35: G4 36: G5				
Target Pressure	Pressure (in tlm counts) above w completes	hich event				
Timout period	Time in seconds after which event completes regardless of pressure reading					

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5.1.9 Temperature Monitoring Mode Event (ID=18):

Length: 6 bytes

	Bit 07 06 05 04 03 02 01 00											
Byte	07											
0	18											
1	Temperature sensor Number											
2	Target Temperature (high byte)											
3	Target	Temperat	ure (low	byte)								
4	Timeout period (high byte)											
5	Timeout period (low byte)											

This mode event waits until a target temperature is attained. When this temperature is reached, or the wait exceeds the specified timeout period, the mode event completes and the mode event sequence continues

Temperature sensor number	Designator for temperature guage to monitor:	24: LV1 25: LV2 26-27: none 28: LV5 29: LV6 30: LV7 40: R1 41: R2 42: reactor deleted 43: R4 44: R5 45: R6 46: R7 47: R8 48: R9 49-51: no reactors 52: R13 53: R14 54: R15 55: OVEN 56: ENCL1 57: ENCL2
		60: ION
Target Pressure	Temperature (in tlm counts) above completes	
Timout period	Time in seconds after which even regardless of temperature reading	

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5.1.10 Auxiliary Data Mode Event (ID=20)

This is a single byte mode event which causes an iterm of auxiliary data to be read and added to the current Aux Data record.

	Bit									
Byte	07	07 06 05 04 03 02 01								
0	20									
1		Aux data channel								

The Aux data channels are as follows:

		T 4 6 6 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7 7
64: tLV1	80: tR1	103: AD590
65: tLV2	81: tR2	104: 5 Volt Rail
68: tLV5	83: tR4	105: 28 Volt Bus
69: tLV6	84: tR5	106: 5 Volt Rail Current
70: tLV7	85: tR6	107: 28 Volt Bus Current
72: pG1	86: tR7	108: Docking Station Potentiomenter
73: pG2	87: tR8	112: Nanotip Drive Current
74: pG3	88: tR9	113: Detector HT Voltage
75: pG4	92: tR13	114: RF Amplitude
76: pG5	93: tR14	
	94: tR15	
	95: toven	
	96: tENC1	
	97: tENC2	
	98: tPIPE	
	99: tGC	
	100:tION	

5.1.11 Time Delay Mode Event (ID=24):

Length: 3 bytes

	Bit										
Byte	07	07 06 05 04 03 02 01 00									
0	24										
1			Ti	me Delay	(high byt	:e)					
2		Time Delay (low byte)									

This mode event causes the mode event sequence to pause for <Time Delay> seconds

5.1.12 Sample Collector Mode Event (ID=33)

This is a single byte mode event which commands the docking or undocking of the sample collector:

Bit	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00
				33				Dck/Und

Dck/Und: 1: Dock 0: Undock

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5.1.13 Mass Spectrometer Activation Mode Event (ID=34)

Length: 2 bytes (activate), 1 byte (de-activate)

		Bit							
Byte	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	0.0	
0		34 Act/Dea							
1	Ion T	Ion Trap Electrical Characteristics Table Number							Act only

Act/Deact	1: Activate Mass Spectrometer					
	0: Deactivate Mass Spectrometer					
Ion Trap Elec. Char. Table	Number (index) of the table of Ion trap					
Number	set-up values etc. to use - present only in					
	activate case					

5.1.14 WGA Memory Check Mode Event (ID=36)

This is a single byte mode event which initiates a WGA memory check – no parameters

Bit	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	0.0
	36							

5.1.15 *Timer Mode Event (ID=40):*

Length: 3 bytes (Start Timer), 1 byte (Wait for Timer)

		Bit								
Byte	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00		
0		40 Strt/Wt								
1	Time Period (high byte)								Start	
2	Time	Period (low byte	:)					Timer	

Strt/Wt	1: Start Timer (using time period)				
	0: Wait for Timer to elapse				
Time Period	Number of seconds for timer				

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5.1.16 Set Injector Control Valve Opening Duration Mode Event (ID=48):

Length: 4 bytes

		Bit						
Byte	07	07 06 05 04 03 02 01					01	00
0		48 unused						unused
1	Pressure Guage Designation unused						unused	
2	Duratio	Duration Constant 1						
3	Duratio	Duration Constant 2						

Sets the duration of the pulse for opening the injector control valves.

Pressure Guage Designation	32: G1 33: G2 34: G3 35: G4 36: G6
Duration Constant 1	Constant in arbitary units
Duration Constant 2	Constant in arbitary units

5.1.17 RF Frequency Calibration Mode Event (ID=65)

This is a single byte mode event initiates an RF frequency calibration:

Bit	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00
	65					unused		

5.1.18 End of Mode Event (ID=65)

This is a single byte mode event marks the end of an active science mode, when this mode event is encountered, the software returns to standby mode.

Bit	07	06	05	04	03	02	01	00
	127						unused	

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5.2 Tables

5.2.1 Scan Function

The scan function table describes a mode of operation of the RICA and WGA for collection of Spectra from the Ion Trap.

The Format of the Scan Function in memory is as follows:-

Field	No bytes	
Number of Bins	2	range 0-1024 set to 65535 if no scan function
Scan Function Duration	4	range 0-4294967295
Transmit Spectrum as Type	1	Full=1, One packet=0
TABLE number	1	range 0-7 set to 255 if no scan function defined
TABLE Start Address (in WGA)	2	01Ch to 1FFh
TABLE data	variable	range 1-484
WAVEs Data	variable	

Wave Data:

Wave table field	No. bytes	
WAVE Number	1	range 0-9. set to 255 for End of Scan Function
WAVE Start Address	2	200h – 5FFh
WAVE Stop Address	2	200h – 5FFh
WAVE Data	variable	8 – 1024 bytes

Wave data:

Each byte represents the Least Significant Byte of the output of the WGA. The onboard software pads out the Most Significant Byte with Zero as this saves memory because this redundant zero is not stored. The total number of states in all 10 WAVES must not exceed 1024. Fewer than 10 WAVES may be specified, this is indicated by placing a byte after the last 'WAVE data' with 255 in it. The format of the bytes that describe the 'WAVE data' is explained in section 2.5.15 of the 'Ptolemy Hardware/Software Interface Document'.

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5.3 Patches

The following patches have been identified for the Ptolemy On-board Software

5.3.1 SAFE mode HK collection patch

Problem

In SAFE mode, the interval at which analogue multiplexer channels are selected for analogue HK collection defaults to a low value (a few μ s). For higher impedance channels, this causes an inaccurate value to be returned because of insufficient settling time.

Resolution

The delay between HK samples is determined by a timing loop. The count for this loop is held in the constant _MaximumConverterDelayCount at address 0DCEH in the data page (nom. page 8). Patching this address to 600H (exact value not critical) eliminates the problem.

Patch:

Patch page 8 address 0DCEH to 0600H

5.3.2 Temperature Servo PID patch

Problem

For large temperature errors, the current temperature servo PID gives no change to the heater output (it remains at 0 and so heating never occurs).

Cause

Examination of the temperature PID implementation revealed that the heater output update was being checked against the physical limits (0-255) after conversion from floating point to integer. For large temperature errors (as expected at the beginning of heating), the calculated heater update is outside the range of a 16 bit integer and the RTX-C run-time system substitutes 0. If the range check were made before conversion to integer, the large heater demands would be limited to 255.0 which would convert successfully to 255.

Resolution

A temporary work-around was to reduce the PID constants to the point at which the integer conversion was successful for the demand encountered. Subsequently a patch was created which converts any heater demands to large to convert to an integer into a number of the same sign with an exponent of 14 and an arbitary mantissa. The exact value of the number is not important as it shall in any case be clipped to the range 0-255.

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Patch

The following patch has been prepared and tested on the Chemistry set simulator:

```
# Patch 1 - patch to fix the Heater PID bug.
# In the science-mode function ManageHeatingMaintainedModeEvent ( in source
# file Co123333.c), the result of the expression ((float)PowerValue)+DeltaP
# is converted to an integer before range checking is performed. If the value
# is too large to fit a 16 bit integer, as may happen if the PID constants # are large and there is a substantial difference between measured and
# demanded temperature, 0 shall be returned, with the result that the PID
# algorithm never starts heating.
\sharp This patch checks the exponent of the above expression and limits it to
# 14 so that any very large demand is reduced to a number in the ranges # -16384 to -8191 or 8192 to 16383. Such numbers are in any case clipped to
# the power limit (a much lower value) subsequently so any number is
# suitable that shall result in a large integer of the correct sign.
# Link: patch 6810h (call d020h) to address 9164h of code page
# org $d020
                # patches start at end of baseline code
patch_1::
  dup
                # copy exponent
                # compare to 14
  0< 0=
                # if it is less than 14
  cj p_1_1
                # skip - is not too big
                # else replace with 14
  drop $e
p_1_1:
  call $cfdc
                # execute the overwritten instruction
                # return to baseline program
# object code shown below
# Disassembler for the RTX 2000 C Cross Compiler
# v1.2a
# COPYRIGHT 1990 HARRIS CORPORATION ALL RIGHTS RESERVED
# 0d020 : a0c0
# 0d022 : b4ce
# 0d020
                        1
                             aub
                        1
                             slit $e -
             a001
# 0d024
                        1
                             0<
             b008
# 0d026
                        1
                             0=
                        1
                             cj $d02e
# 04028
             8817
                                         d02e
# 0d02a
         : ae40
                        1
                             drop
                        1
# 0d02c : be4e
                             slit $e
         : 67ee
                                         cfdc
# 0d02e
                        1
                             call
# 0d030 : a020
                       1 nop ;
```