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## SPP Spacecraft Autonomy

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# Spacecraft Autonomy Agenda



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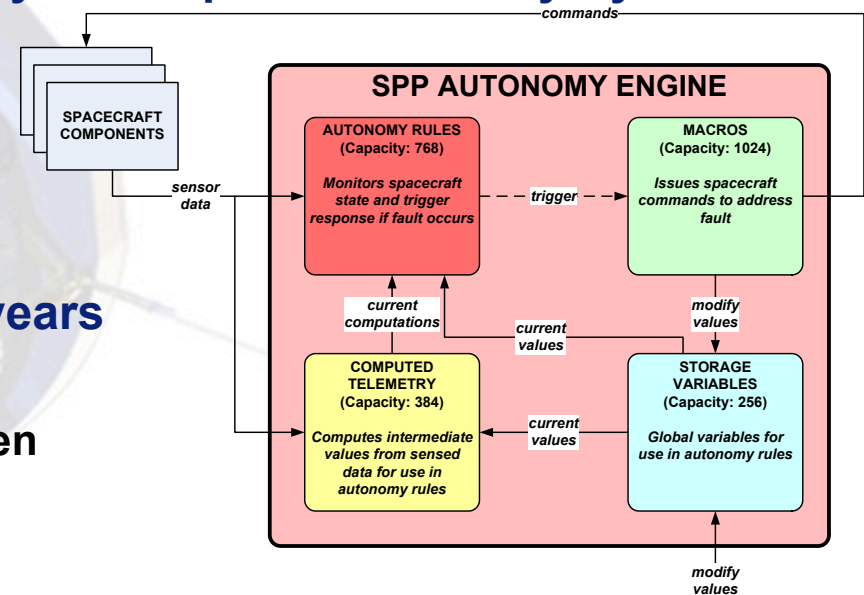




# Spacecraft Autonomy System Overview



- The SPP Autonomy System is a **Monitor→Response** system where faults are detected and corrective actions are taken in response to the fault
  - All **Monitors** are evaluated at a 1 Hz rate
- The SPP C&DH Flight Software provides an on-board **Autonomy Engine** to facilitate the development of the Autonomy System. The Autonomy Engine supports four types of uploadable constructs that allow the Autonomy Engineer to independently develop the Autonomy System:
  - **Autonomy Rules**
  - **Macros**
  - **Storage Variables**
  - **Computed Telemetry**
- The **Autonomy Engine** has over 15 years of heritage.
  - Incremental enhancements have been made to the engine over the years



# Spacecraft Autonomy System: Attributes Overview



## ▪ Autonomy Rules

- Autonomy rules specify the fault condition to be monitored. The fault condition (*autonomy rule expression*) may be a combination of any engineering telemetry and common arithmetic and logical operators
  - Example expression: ( `SC_MODE == OPERATIONAL` ) && ( `BUS_VOLTAGE * BUS_CURRENT < 350.0` )
- Rule Attributes
  - Persistence: How long a fault must persist (*M of N seconds*)
  - Maximum Fire Count: How many times an autonomy rule can fire
  - Priority: Priority of the autonomy rule's response macro when running concurrently with other macros
  - Initial State: Whether the autonomy rule is enabled or disabled by default

## ▪ Macros

- Macros specify a list of spacecraft commands designed to address a fault. They are invoked in response to the firing of an autonomy rule.
- Macros may call other macros (like invoking a subroutine). This allows a level of modularity to be applied to the macro design. Also, in the spirit of modularity, multiple autonomy rules may trigger the same macro

# Spacecraft Autonomy System: Attributes Overview



## ■ Computed Telemetry

- Computed Telemetry allow intermediate calculations to be defined from engineering telemetry (*i.e.*, *derived telemetry*). The calculation results can then be used in autonomy rule expressions. Like autonomy rules, the expressions may be a combination of any on-board telemetry and common arithmetic and logical operators
  - Example computed telemetry definition to calculate spacecraft power: `BUS_VOLTAGE * BUS_CURRENT`
  - The resulting calculation can now be used in other autonomy rules

## ■ Storage Variables

- Storage Variables are global variables for the exclusive use of the Autonomy System. The values of the storage variables are typically used in the premise of autonomy rules.
- Commands are available to modify storage variables. Storage variables can be:
  - Set to specific value (Ex: `STOR_VAR_X = 13`)
  - Incremented and decremented (Ex: `INCREMENT STOR_VAR_X`)
  - Assigned to existing value of telemetry point (Ex: `STOR_VAR_X = BUS_CURRENT`)
- Commands to modify storage variables are used in autonomy macros and by MOPS ground command



# Instrument Autonomy Requirements & Documentation



- Autonomy requirements applicable to all teams are captured in the General Instrument ICD, 7434-9066, rev B
- Instrument specific requirements are captured in the ISIS to Spacecraft ICD, 7434-9058, rev B
- All autonomy requirements are captured in the SPP Level 4 Autonomy Systems Requirements Document, 7434-9072, rev A
  - Specific limits (current, temperature, power, etc.) are captured in a separate document known as the SPP Autonomy Engineering Limits Specification, 7434-9116
  - All spacecraft and instrument subsystems that own any limits in the Autonomy System will be approvers on the document

**2. ENGINEERING LIMITS**

**2.1 EXCESS POWER CONSUMPTION MONITOR**  
 The Autonomy System monitors the power consumption of selected spacecraft loads and takes a corrective action if the load power exceeds an engineering limit for a specified number of seconds (persistence). The engineering limits and persistence for each of the monitors is provided in Table 3. The table also includes the approximate resolution of power consumption reading (i.e., the engineering value that corresponds to one row count). The corrective action is also included for reference.

Load	Power Consumption Limit (Watts)	Persistence (Seconds)	Autonomous Corrective Action	Responsible Subsystem
Transceiver	6.40 (resolution: 0.20)	10	Off/Idle	RF
SDPA	28.20 (resolution: 0.20)	10	Power of SDPA	RF
Battery Management Electronics (BME)	11.44 (resolution: 0.01)	10	Disconnect from battery and power off BME	POS
PSE Interface Card (includes LSI)	16.92 (resolution: 0.01)	10	Power of PSE Current Controller and PSE Interface	POS
REFT	8.00 (resolution: 0.01)	10	Power of REFT	Payload
ISOPS	27.90 (resolution: 0.01)	10	Power of ISOPS	Payload
EMIDDS Digital Electronics	11.32 (resolution: 0.01)	10	Power of EMIDDS Analog and Digital Electronics	Payload
EMIDDS Analog Electronics	6.00 (resolution: 0.01)	10	Power of EMIDDS Analog and Digital Electronics	Payload
EMIDDS Thorpe Mag Heater	7.81 (resolution: 0.01)	10	Power of EMIDDS Thorpe Mag Heater	Payload
EFW	21.00 (resolution: 0.01)	10	Terminate beam deployment and power off EFW beam deployment	Payload
EFW Axial Boom Deployment Unit	87.00 (resolution: 0.01)	10	Terminate EFW beam deployment	Payload
EFW Spin Plane Boom Deployment Unit	See Note 2			
REDPCE	2.69 (resolution: 0.01)	10	Power of REDPCE	Payload

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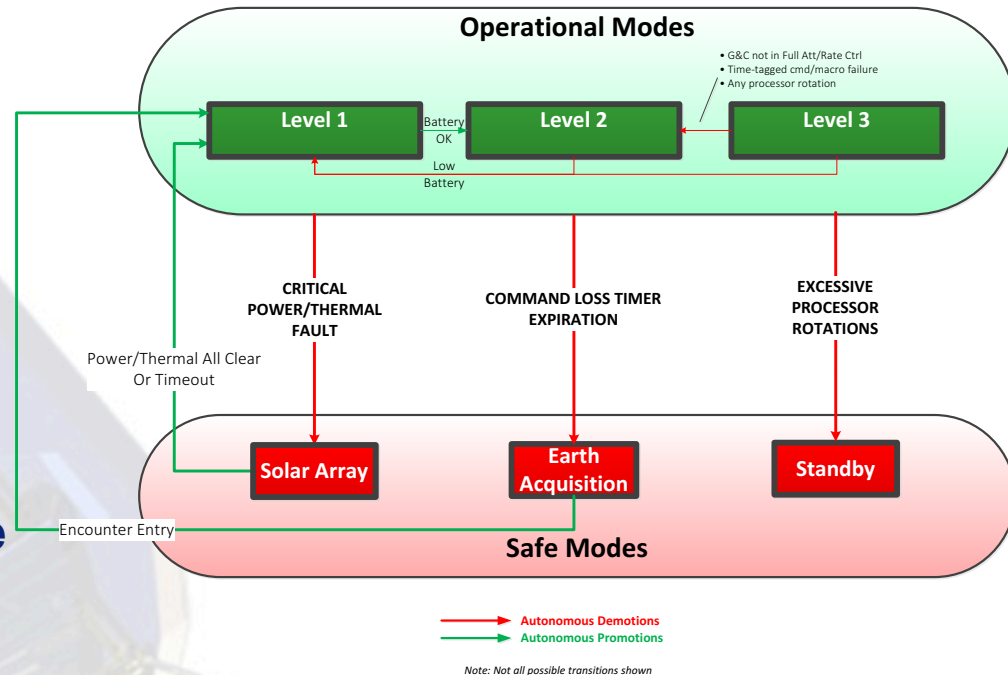
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# Spacecraft Modes



- There are six main spacecraft modes:
  - Operational Mode – Level 3
  - Operational Mode – Level 2
  - Operational Mode – Level 1
  - Safe Mode – Solar Array
  - Safe Mode – Earth Acquisition
  - Safe Mode - Standby
- SPP allows both autonomous mode demotions and promotions
- The intent of this overview is to provide simple definitions for the spacecraft modes since some autonomy rules are contingent upon mode



# Operational Modes



- **There are three Spacecraft Operational Modes**

- **Operational Mode - Level 3**: Highest mode of operation. All spacecraft operations allowed. **Full science achievable**.
- **Operational Mode - Level 2**: Demotion to this mode if G&C indicates less than full attitude and rate control, there is a command failure in a MOPS time-tagged sequence or there is a processor rotation. MOPS time-tagged sequences inhibited in this mode. Autonomy ensures **full science still achievable** (e.g., powering on instruments inside of 0.25 AU). TCMs, G&C Off Pointing and HGA downlink are not allowed.
- **Operational Mode - Level 1**: Demotion to this mode if there is a low battery state of charge. Instruments are powered off. **Science not achievable**.
  - Autonomous promotion to **Operational Mode - Level 2** once battery state of charge is nominal (science operations would then resume)



# Safe Modes



## ■ There are three Spacecraft Safe Modes

- **Safe Mode – Solar Array:** Demotion to this mode for critical power/thermal fault. **Instruments are powered off. Science not achievable in this mode.**
  - Autonomous promotion to *Operational Mode - Level 1* when power/thermal fault has cleared (or 10 minutes have elapsed). If battery state of charge returns to nominal levels, promotion would continue to *Operational Mode – Level 2* (science operations would then resume)
- **Safe Mode – Earth Acquisition:** Demotion to this mode if Command Loss Timer expires outside of 0.25 AU. **Instruments are powered off. Science not achievable in this mode.**
  - Autonomous promotion to *Operational Mode - Level 1* if spacecraft crosses 0.25 AU inbound while in this mode. If battery state of charge is nominal promotion would continue to *Operational Mode – Level 2* (science operations would then initiate)
- **Safe Mode – Standby:** Demotion to this mode if there are excessive processor rotations. **Instruments are powered off. Science is not achievable in this mode.**
  - No avenue to autonomously promote from this mode

# Spacecraft Mode Capabilities



## Spacecraft Modes

### SPP Spacecraft Modes Capability

Spacecraft Modes	SPP Spacecraft Modes Capability						
	Autonomy Initiated Processor Rotations	X-band Downlink	Instrument Ops	Time-tags Cmds	Ka Band (HGA) Downlink	$\Delta V$ Maneuvers	G & C Off-Pointing
Operational Mode - Level 3	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Operational Mode - Level 2	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
Operational Mode - Level 1	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Safe Mode - Solar Array	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No
Safe Mode - Earth Acquisition	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Safe Mode - Standby	No	Yes	No	No	No	No	No

# Instrument Autonomy Overview



- **The Spacecraft Autonomy System provides overarching protection which can either:**
  - **Power On an instrument**
  - **Power Off an instrument**
  - **Power Cycle an instrument**
    - i.e., power instrument off for predefined number of seconds and then power it back on
- **Each instrument has its own internal safing**
  - **Discussed in following presentations**



# Design Overview (1 of 3)



- **Each instrument sends Interface Transfer Frames (ITFs) to the Prime CDH at a 1 Hz (or higher) rate.**
  - **Each ITF contains an 8-bit sequence counter that is incremented by the instrument. The Prime CDH Flight Software monitors the sequence counter and declares a failed aliveness if the sequence counter fails to increment or if the ITFs are not valid.**
    - This provides a mechanism for the Autonomy System to monitor instrument aliveness.
  - **Each ITF also contains a pair of bits so that each instrument can self-request a power off or power cycle of the instrument.**
    - A power off request trumps a power cycle request if both bits are asserted.
- **Autonomy can send an individual instrument a shutdown warning prior to removing power from the instrument**
  - **In general, Autonomy will provide an instrument a 60-second shutdown warning if the power-down is not urgent**

# Design Overview (2 of 3)



- For each instrument the Autonomy System provides the following protection:
  - **Self-Power Down Request:** Power off an instrument that requests it
  - **Self-Power Cycle Request:** Power cycle an instrument that requests it
  - **Instrument Stale Aliveness:** Power off an instrument whose aliveness fails
  - **Instrument Excessive Power Consumption:** Power off an instrument if its power consumption exceeds limits
  - **Instrument LVDS Over-Voltage:** Power off an instrument if it applies LVDS over-voltage

# Design Overview (3 of 3)



- Because of the mission criticality of keeping the instruments operating, the Autonomy System includes provisions for powering on instruments in Operational Mode – Level 2 or 3.
  - Instruments are powered on at 0.25 AU Inbound
  - “Second-chance” power-on after specific power-downs
- The Second-chance power-on in Operational Mode – Level 2 or 3 is selectively performed based on solar distance and based on the manner in which the instrument had been powered down.

		SECOND CHANCE INSTRUMENT POWER-ON	
		<i>Inside 0.25 AU</i>	<i>Outside 0.25 AU</i>
Instrument Power-Down Cause	<i>Stale Aliveness</i>	POWER BACK ON ONCE	POWER BACK ON ONCE
	<i>Excess Power</i>	POWER BACK ON ONCE	POWER BACK ON ONCE
	<i>LVDS Over-Voltage</i>	POWER BACK ON ONCE	POWER BACK ON ONCE
	<i>Power-Down Request</i>	LEAVE POWERED OFF	LEAVE POWERED OFF
	<i>Circuit Breaker Trip</i>	LEAVE POWERED OFF	LEAVE POWERED OFF
	<i>MOPS Command</i>	LEAVE POWERED OFF	LEAVE POWERED OFF
	<i>S/C Mode Demotion</i>	POWER BACK ON ONCE †	LEAVE POWERED OFF
		† - upon promotion to Op Level 2	



# ISIS EPI-Lo Requirements



AUT-21	Autonomy shall power off the EPI-Lo instrument if it is powered on and its flight software is not producing valid ITFs with incrementing sequence counts.
AUT-29	Autonomy shall power off the EPI-Lo instrument if the instrument requests to be powered down.
AUT-36	Autonomy shall power cycle the EPI-Lo instrument if the instrument requests to be power-cycled and is not simultaneously requesting to be powered down.
AUT-43	Autonomy shall power off the EPI-Lo instrument if its power consumption is above a pre-defined limit.
<del>AUT-210</del>	<del>Autonomy shall power off the EPI-Lo instrument if its temperature is above a pre-defined limit.</del>
AUT-337	Autonomy shall power off the EPI-Lo instrument if the voltage applied to an LVDS device is above 4.0V
AUT-467	Autonomy shall power on the EPI-Lo instrument when the spacecraft transitions inside 0.25 AU of the Sun (inbound) if the instrument is powered off and the spacecraft is in Operational Mode - Level 2 or Operational Mode - Level 3.
AUT-655	Autonomy shall provide the capability to autonomously restore power to the EPI-Lo instrument if was powered off due to a fault and its temperature is below a pre-defined value and the spacecraft is in Operational Mode - Level 2 or Operational Mode - Level 3.
AUT-171	Autonomy shall provide an EPI-Lo power-on macro that performs the following actions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Power on the EPI-Lo survival/warm-up heaters</li> <li>* Indicate that EPI-Lo is being warmed-up for power-on</li> <li>* Wait until EPI-Lo's temperature is above a programmable low limit for power-on</li> <li>* Power on EPI-Lo</li> <li>* Indicate that EPI-Lo is no longer being warmed-up for power-on</li> </ul>

# EPI-Lo Power-On Sequence



- Before powering on EPI-Lo, the instrument must be warmed up using its survival/warm-up heaters to a temperature suitable for power-on
- The Autonomy System provides a macro that can be used by Mission Operations and Autonomy to perform the EPI-Lo power-on sequence
  - Power on the EPI-Lo survival/warm-up heaters
  - Wait until EPI-Lo's temperature is suitable for power-on
  - Power on EPI-Lo (into reduced-power mode)
  - Wait for EPI-Lo to promote itself into full-power mode
  - Power off the EPI-Lo survival/warm-up heaters

# EPI-Lo Design

## Instrument - ISIS EPI-Lo

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**REINITIALIZE EPI-LO AUTONOMY [M069]**  
☐ Clear local rule fire counts  
☐ SET EPI-Lo Second Chance Event Count [SV111] to 0

**DETECT EPI-LO POWERED OFF WITH SECOND CHANCE ACTIVE [R080]**  
 If EPI-Lo is powered off and EPI-Lo Second Chance Event Count [SV111] is = 1 and the spacecraft is in Operational Mode - Level 2 or 3 and both Ka-band TWTAs are powered off (persistence  $\geq 1$  minute)

**POWER ON EPI-LO USING SECOND CHANCE [M065]**  
 // Increment event count to deactivate second chance  
☐ INCREMENT EPI-Lo Second Chance Event Count [SV111]  
 // Power on instrument  
☐ CALL POWER ON EPI-LO

**POWER ON EPI-LO [M060]**  
☐ Power on EPI-Lo survival/warm-up heater service  
☐ SET EPI-Lo in Warm-up Mode [SV105] to TRUE

setting flag will cause rule to trip (unless flag is cleared)

**DETECT EPI-LO READY FOR POWER-ON [R088]**  
 If EPI-Lo is powered off and EPI-Lo in Warm-up Mode [SV105] is TRUE and EPI-Lo temperature is above EPI-Lo Minimum Temp for Power-On [SV045]

**POWER ON EPI-LO - PART 2 [M064]**  
 // Power on EPI-Lo in reduced-power mode  
☐ Power on EPI-Lo  
☐ SET EPI-Lo in Warm-up Mode [SV105] to FALSE

**DETECT EPI-LO EXCESS POWER [R082]**  
 If EPI-Lo power exceeds high limit

**DETECT EPI-LO LVDS OVER-VOLTAGE [R084]**  
 If the voltage applied to EPI-Lo LVDS driver is above 4.0V

**POWER OFF EPI-LO WITHOUT SHUTDOWN WARNING [M061]**  
 // Cancel any in-progress power on  
☐ SET EPI-Lo in Warm-up Mode [SV105] to FALSE  
 // Increment event count to allow second chance power on  
☐ INCREMENT EPI-Lo Second Chance Event Count [SV111]  
☐ CALL SHUTDOWN EPI-LO

**DETECT EPI-LO POWER-DOWN REQUEST [R083]**  
 If EPI-Lo requests to be powered down

**DETECT EPI-LO STALE ALIVENESS [R085]**  
 If EPI-Lo is powered on and is not producing valid ITFs with incrementing sequence counts and the primary REM is healthy

**POWER OFF EPI-LO WITH SHUTDOWN WARNING [M062]**  
 // Cancel any in-progress power on  
☐ SET EPI-Lo in Warm-up Mode [SV105] to FALSE  
 // Provide one minute shutdown warning  
☐ Issue EPI-Lo shutdown warning  
☐ Sleep 60 seconds  
☐ Clear EPI-Lo shutdown warning  
 // Increment event count to allow second chance power on  
☐ INCREMENT EPI-Lo Second Chance Event Count [SV111]  
☐ CALL SHUTDOWN EPI-LO

**DETECT EPI-LO POWER-CYCLE REQUEST [R087]**  
 If EPI-Lo requests to be power-cycled and is not requesting to be powered down

**POWER-CYCLE EPI-LO [M063]**  
☐ Power off EPI-Lo  
☐ Sleep 10 seconds  
☐ Power on EPI-Lo

**SHUTDOWN EPI-LO [M068]**  
☐ Power off EPI-Lo  
☐ Power on EPI-Lo survival/warm-up heater service

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# Payload Design Overview



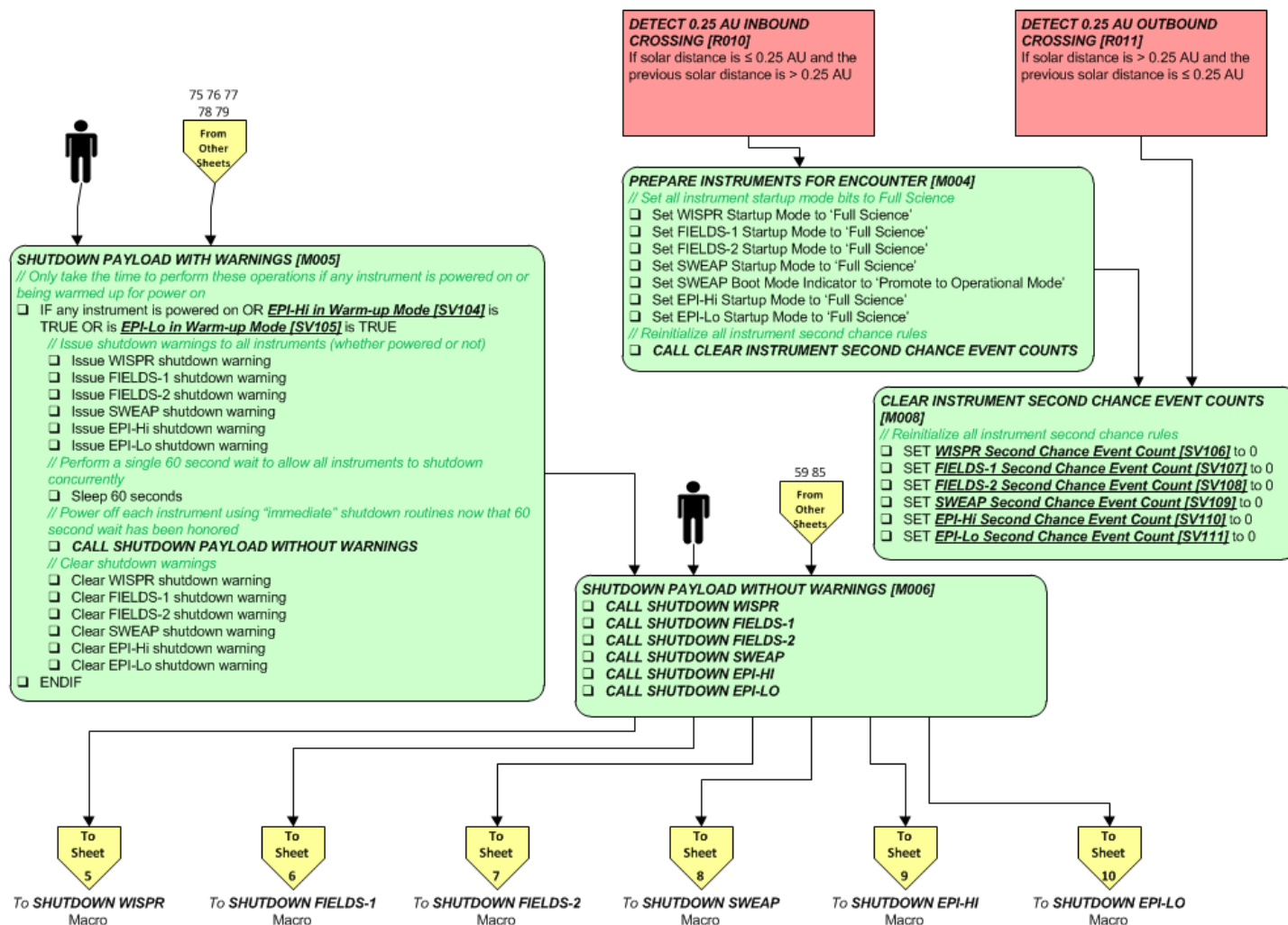
- **Autonomy powers down the entire payload with shutdown warnings when configuring for the following spacecraft modes**
  - Operational Mode – Level 2 (outside 0.25 AU)
  - Operational Mode – Level 1
  - Safe Mode – Standby
  - Safe Mode – Earth Acquisition
  - Safe Mode – Standby + Earth Acquisition
- **Autonomy powers down the entire payload without shutdown warnings when**
  - an instrument is powered on outside 0.25 AU while Ka-band TWTA is on
- **Autonomy powers on the entire payload when configuring for the following spacecraft modes**
  - Operational Mode – Level 3 (inside 0.25 AU)
  - Operational Mode – Level 2 (inside 0.25 AU)
- ***Note: Flight Software will directly shutdown payload without warning on a demotion into Safe Mode – Solar Array***

# Payload Design (1 of 2)



## Instrument Payload - Shutdown

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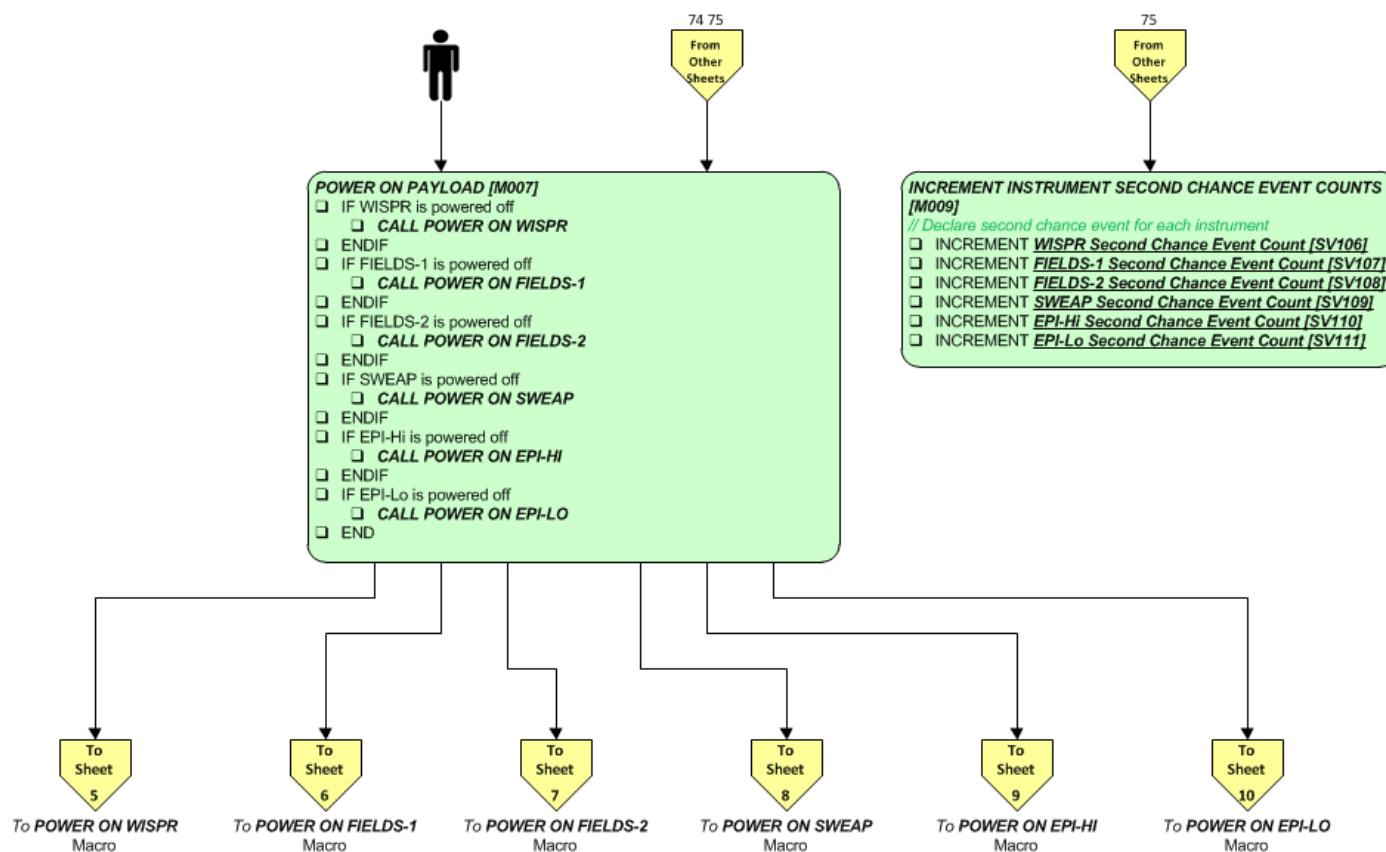


# Payload Design (2 of 2)



## Instrument Payload – Power On

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# Instrument Heaters Overview



- Instrument heaters are single string
- EPI-Lo survival and warm-up heaters are software controlled
  - EPI-Lo does not have operational heaters
- Autonomy also enforces instrument heater ground rules (individually negotiated with each instrument team)
  - Instrument heater over-conductance rules eliminated post-Autonomy CDR with agreement from all instrument teams

Instrument Heater Service	INSTRUMENT ON		INSTRUMENT OFF	
	Inside 0.25 AU	Outside 0.25 AU	Inside 0.25 AU	Outside 0.25 AU
FIELDS 1 Op & Survival Heaters	ON ►►►			
FIELDS 2 Op & Survival Heaters	ON ►►►			
WISPR Survival Heaters	ON ►►►			
SWEAP SPAN A+ & B Survival Heaters	OFF	ON ►►►		
SWEAP SPC Survival Heater	OFF	ON	OFF	ON
ISIS EPI-Hi Survival and Warm-up Heaters	OFF ►►►		{Autonomy Thermostat}	
ISIS EPI-Lo Survival and Warm-up Heaters	OFF ►►►		{Autonomy Thermostat}	
ISIS EPI-Hi Operational Heaters	ON ►►►		OFF ►►►	
WISPR Operational Heaters	ON ►►►		OFF ►►►	

# Instrument Heater Requirements



AUT-169	Autonomy shall power on the EPI-Lo survival/warm-up heaters if the heaters are powered off and any of the following conditions are true: 1. EPI-Lo is powered off and EPI-Lo's temperature is below a programmable powered-off low limit -OR- 2. EPI-Lo is powered on in reduced-power mode and its temperature is below a programmable reduced-power/warm-up low limit
AUT-170	Autonomy shall power off the EPI-Lo survival/warm-up heaters if the heaters are powered on and any of the following conditions are true: 1. EPI-Lo is powered off and is not being warmed-up for power-on and its temperature is above a programmable powered-off high limit -OR- 2. EPI-Lo is powered on in reduced-power mode and its temperature is above a programmable reduced-power high limit -OR- 3. EPI-Lo is powered on in full-power mode

# EPI-Lo Heater Power-On Sequence Details



## ■ EPI-Lo (*differences from EPI-Hi shown in purple*)

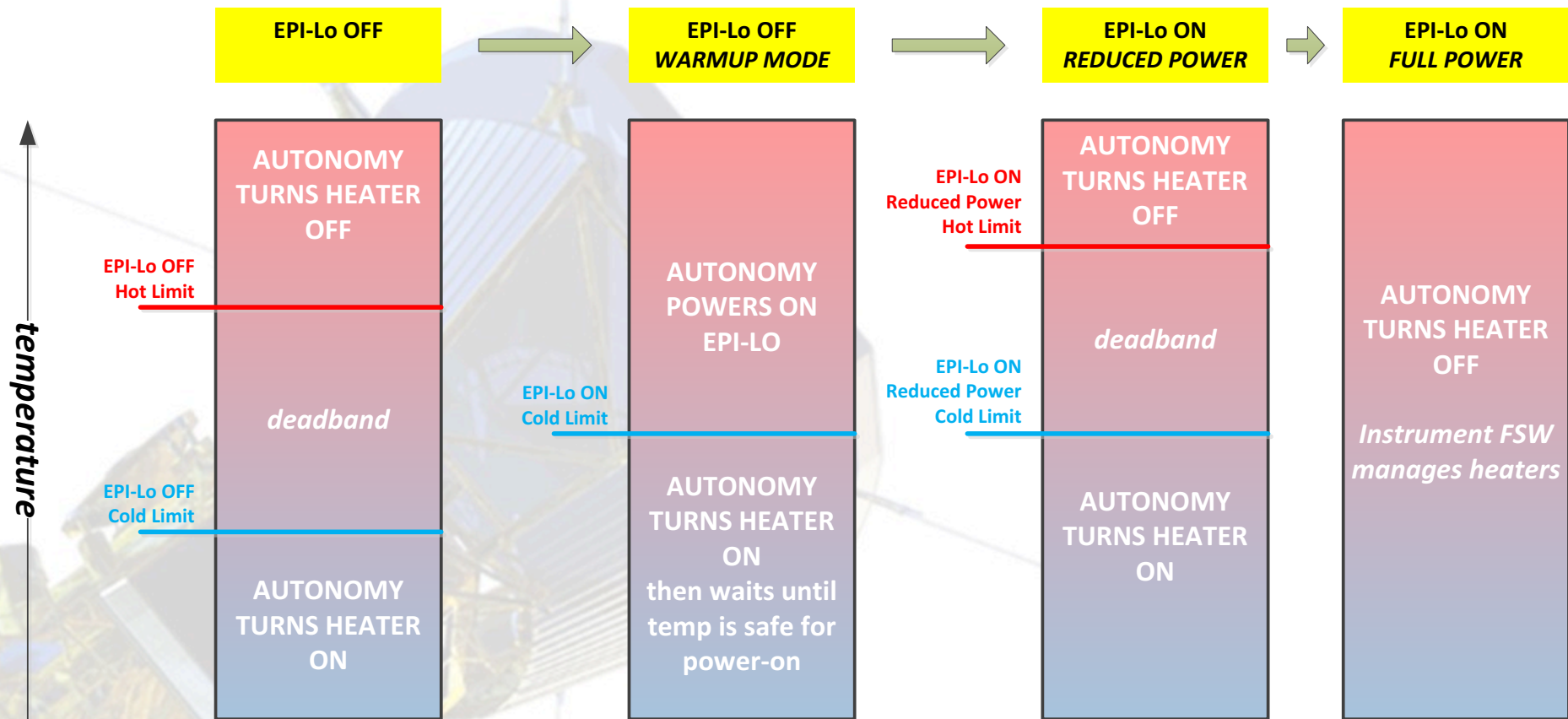
- When the instrument is off Autonomy operates the survival/warm-up heater service as a “software thermostat” between two programmable thresholds
- When the instrument is in Warm-up mode, Autonomy turns the heaters on and drives up the temperature
- Autonomy then waits until the instrument’s temperature is safe for power-on before applying power to the instrument
  - *When the instrument is powered it will start in Low Power mode*
- *Autonomy will continue to operate the survival/warm-up heater as a “software thermostat” between two different programmable thresholds while the instrument is in Low Power Mode*
  - *The instrument will autonomously transition itself into Full Power Mode*
- When the instrument is powered *in Full Power Mode*, Autonomy powers off the survival/warm-up heaters (instrument’s FSW will manage internal heaters)
- *Note: Although the EPI-Lo survival/warm-up heater service includes a thermostat, it is only used only as a backup mechanism to mitigate a PDU failure. The primary temperature control is via Autonomy.*



# EPI-Lo Power-On Sequence Diagram



## EPI-Lo Power On Sequence

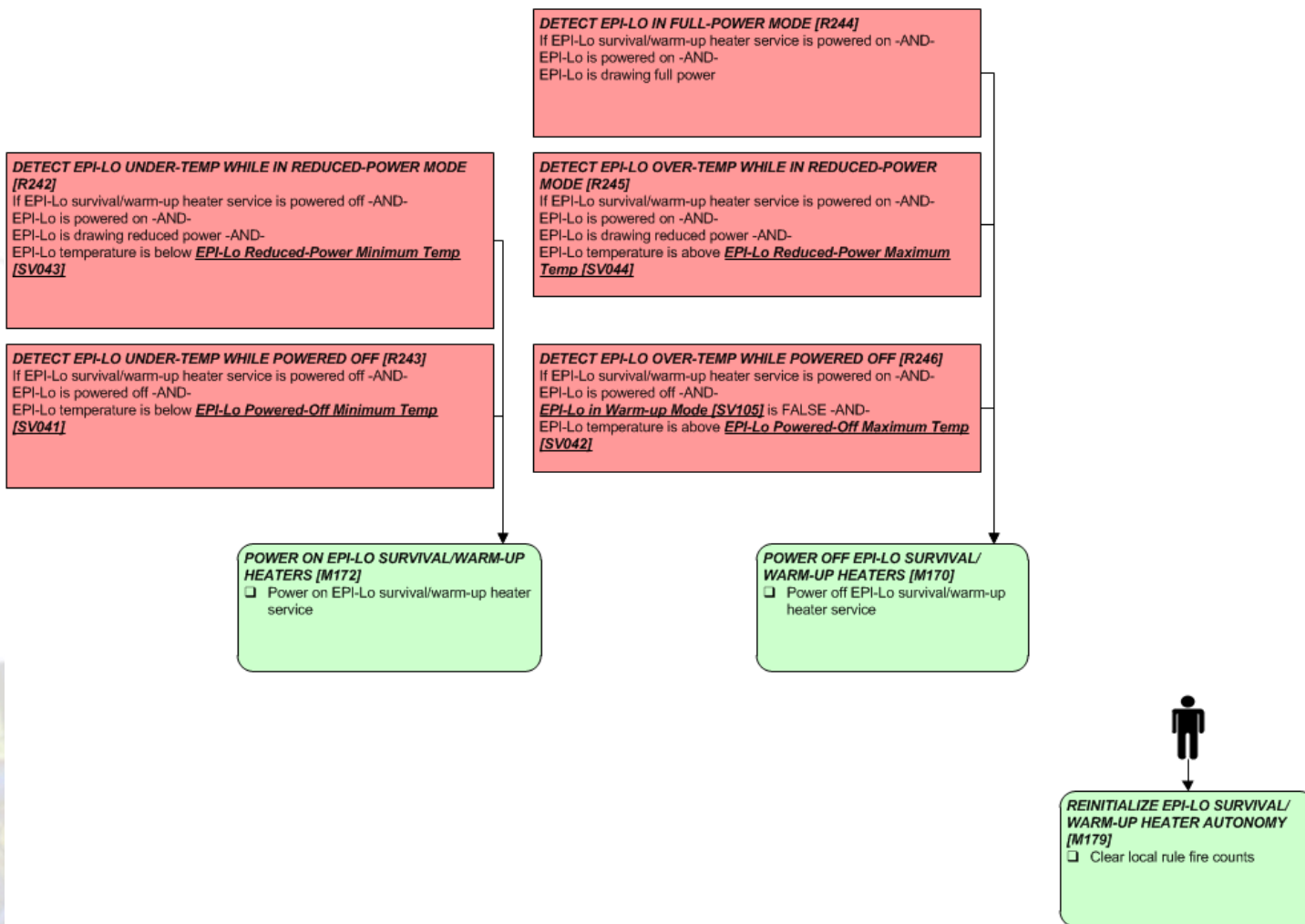


# EPI-Lo Design



## Instrument Heaters – EPI-Lo Survival/Warm-up

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# Summary



- **Instrument autonomy needs are well understood**
- **Spacecraft autonomy team is staffed and ready to start rule development**
- **Key Milestones:**
  - **June 2015      FSW Build 1 Delivered and Available**
    - Includes Autonomy Engine and FSW interfaces to components
    - Autonomy implementation and testing can proceed in earnest
  - **January 2016      FSW Build 2 Delivered and Available**
    - Includes most planned FSW functionality
    - Autonomy implementation and testing continues
  - **July 2016      FSW Build 3 Delivered and Available**
    - Includes all planned FSW functionality
  - **August 2016      Delivery of Autonomy System to Spacecraft I&T**
    - Autonomy implementation and unit testing should be complete
    - Start of autonomy testing on spacecraft and high fidelity simulators
    - Fault Management testing begins on spacecraft and simulators