

Page 1 of 7

TERMS, DEFINITIONS, ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS AND UNITS FOR CHARGE COUPLED DEVICES ESCC Basic Specification No. 2139020

Issue 3 November 2013



ISSUE 3



LEGAL DISCLAIMER AND COPYRIGHT

European Space Agency, Copyright © 2013. All rights reserved.

The European Space Agency disclaims any liability or responsibility, to any person or entity, with respect to any loss or damage caused, or alleged to be caused, directly or indirectly by the use and application of this ESCC publication.

This publication, without the prior permission of the European Space Agency and provided that it is not used for a commercial purpose, may be:

- copied in whole, in any medium, without alteration or modification.
- copied in part, in any medium, provided that the ESCC document identification, comprising the ESCC symbol, document number and document issue, is removed.



DOCUMENTATION CHANGE NOTICE

No. 2139020

(Refer to https://escies.org for ESCC DCR content)

DCR No.	CHANGE DESCRIPTION
799	Specification upissued to incorporate editorial changes per DCR.



PAGE 4

ISSUE 3

TABLE OF CONTEN	TS
-----------------	----

1	SCOPE	5
2	TERMS, DEFINITIONS AND SYMBOL LETTERS	5



1 SCOPE

This specification forms part of ESCC Basic Specification No. 21300 and covers Charge Coupled Devices.

2 TERMS, DEFINITIONS AND SYMBOL LETTERS

Symbol	Parameter
Α	Pixel Area
a _i	Photoresponse Non-Uniformity or Dark Signal Limit for Number of Photoresponse Non-Uniformity or Dark Signal Defects
$C_{\Phi L, C_{\Phi M}}$ $C_{\Phi P, C_{\Phi R}}$	Electrode Capacitance (for Readout Register, Memory Zone, Image Zone and Reset respectively)
$C_{\Phi L_0, C_{\Phi M_0}}$ $C_{\Phi P_0, C_{\Phi R_0}}$	Electrode Capacitance with Respect to Another Clock (for Readout Register, Memory Zone, Image Zone and Reset respectively)
CTE	Charge Transfer Efficiency
CTF	Contrast Transfer Function
CTI	Charge Transfer Inefficiency
CVF	Charge to Voltage Conversion Factor
DSNU	Dark Signal Non-Uniformity
ΔU _{Ref}	Reference Voltage Error Band
ΔU _{Signal}	Signal Voltage Error Band
Е	Exposure
EB ₁	Reference Level Error Band
EB ₂	Signal Level Error Band
ε	Charge Transfer Inefficiency for One Stage
FI	Image Zone to Memory Zone and Memory Zone to Output Register Frequency
FL	Output Register and Reset Frequency
ФL	Readout Register Clock
Фм	Memory Zone Clock
ФР	Image Zone Clock
Φ _{PS}	Photosite to Shift Register Transfer Clock
ФR	Reset Clock
Фт	Transport Clock
HCTE	Horizontal Charge Transfer Efficiency
HCTI	Horizontal Charge Transfer Inefficiency
I _{DD}	Power Supply Current
I _E	Insulation Leakage Current Between Pins (Input Current)
Ін	Internal Driver Supply Current
IL	Leakage Current on Input Gates
I _{RD}	Signal Current in Reset Bias Electrode
L	Length of Image Plane



Symbol	Parameter
λ	Wavelength
LE	Linearity Error
MTF	Modulation Transfer Function
Ndefi	Number of Photoresponse Non-Uniformity or Dark Signal Defects Beyond ai Limit
NS	Total Smearing Factor
Р	Flatness of Image Area
ρ	Pixel Pitch
PRNU	Photoresponse Non-Uniformity
QE	Quantum Efficiency
R	Responsitivity
R(B _i)	Spectral Responsitivity in Optical Band Bi
SPRNU	Spectral Photoresponse Non-Uniformity
TDi	Timing Diagram i
t _{D-Reset}	Reset Level Setting Time
t _{D-Signal}	Signal Level Setting Time
t _f	Fall Time
th	High Level Time
Ti	Integration/ Exposure Time
TILT	Parallelism between Image Plane and window
tı	Low Level Time
Тор	Operating Temperature
tr	Rise Time
T _{ref}	Reference Temperature
TRIG	Signal for Acquisition Start
T _{sol}	Soldering Temperature
T _{stg}	Storage Temperature Range
Tt	Duration of Vertical Transfer Period
t _{U-Ref}	Reference Level Duration
tu-Signal	Signal Level Duration
Tc	Capture Time Constant or Trapping State in a CCD Buried Channel
Te	Emission Time Constant of Trapping State in a CCD Buried Channel
Θ	Image Plane Orientation (Skew)
Va	Average Output Signal under Illumination
VANTIBLOOMING	Antiblooming Voltage
VCTE	Vertical Charge Transfer Efficiency
VCTI	Vertical Charge Transfer Inefficiency
V _{DD}	Output Amplifier Drain Supply
V _{DS}	Average Dark Signal
V _G S	Register Output Gate Bias

Symbol	Parameter
VINVERSION	Inversion Voltage
V _N	Temporal RMS Noise in Darkness
Voffset	Offset Voltage
Vos	Video Output Signal
Vr	Reference Voltage for Modulation Calculation
V _{RD}	Reset Bias
V _{REF}	DC Output Level
V _{RESET}	Amplitude of Reset Feedthrough
Vs	Signal Voltage
Vsat	Saturation Output Voltage
Vss	Substrate Bias Voltage
V _{Video}	Video Voltage
W	Width of Image Plane
WOC	Spectral Range for Optical Coating on Window
WT	Window Thickness
Х	Position of First Pixel (Horizontal)
Υ	Position of First Pixel (Vertical)
Z	Optical Distance between Image Plane and Window
Zs	Output Impedance