

# Appendix-C: OBSW Missionization in the SRDB with the RW's SEDS in the SRDB

This appendix aims to illustrate the conclusion that we obtained for RQ1 regarding our discussion on EDS works. With our SimpleSAT example we show a real-life scenario illustrating the use of data defined in SEDS in the context of SRDBs. This data concerns the reaction wheel of SimpleSAT and we aim to use it to override the generic telemetry provided by the OBSW. The overridden data allows the satellite operator to read the RW **mode** measure carried by the OBSW parameter.

1. We consider that our SRDB defines a product tree -composed of definition system elements- as shown in Figure-1.

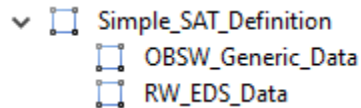
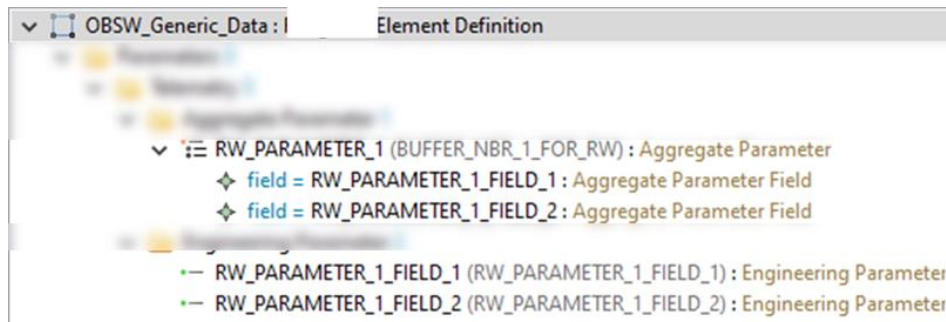


Figure-1: Definition system elements tree

2. The **OBSW\_Generic\_Data** definition system element contains the details of the OBSW parameter that has been defined by the OBSW to report RW data. The interesting details are shown in Figure-2.

In this figure our OBSW parameter is a 16-bit array containing two other 8-bit parameters. These 8-bit parameters aim to carry some measures related to the RW.



Name	RW_PARAMETER_1									
Description	BUFFER_NBR_1_FOR_RW									
Raw Length	16									
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Figure-2: Details of the OBSW generic parameter

At this stage, it is important to highlight that if the onboard value of that parameter is downlinked to the ground, the satellite operator will not be able decode that value as it will be displayed in its raw format. Thus, it is necessary to missionize the generic OBSW parameter.

- In order to missionize the OBSW parameter (RW\_PARAMETER\_1), it is first necessary to import the data that will be used for the missionization. The **RW\_EDS\_Data** definition system element shown in Figure-1 contains the data **imported from the reaction wheel's SEDS** discussed in our paper. We map the content of that SEDS (on the right) with the SRDB content (on the left) in Figure-3.



4. Besides the RW interface definition, if the SAVOIR-EDS that includes the mechanical view is imported into the SRDB, the result will be the comprehensive description of the RW in the SRDB as depicted in Figure-4.

SAVOIR-EDS could include other SEDS files

Mechanical SEDS file



At this stage, the SRDB contains:

- a. the comprehensive definition of the OBSW generic data
  - b. the definition of parameters, interfaces and calibrations contained in the RW EDS.
5. Now, we need to override the OBSW generic data with RW data coming from the EDS. This overriding activity consists mainly in:
- a. Renaming the data following a given naming convention that upholds the constraints of the target data exchange format.
  - b. Replacing the generic OBSW parameters with RW parameters coming from the RW EDS. More specifically, in our example, the overriding consists in replacing the first 8 bits of

the generic parameter OBSW RW\_PARAMETER\_1 with the *mode* parameter defined in the RW SEDS. The same is done with the second 8 bits. The outcome of this overriding activity in the SRDB is shown in Figure-5.

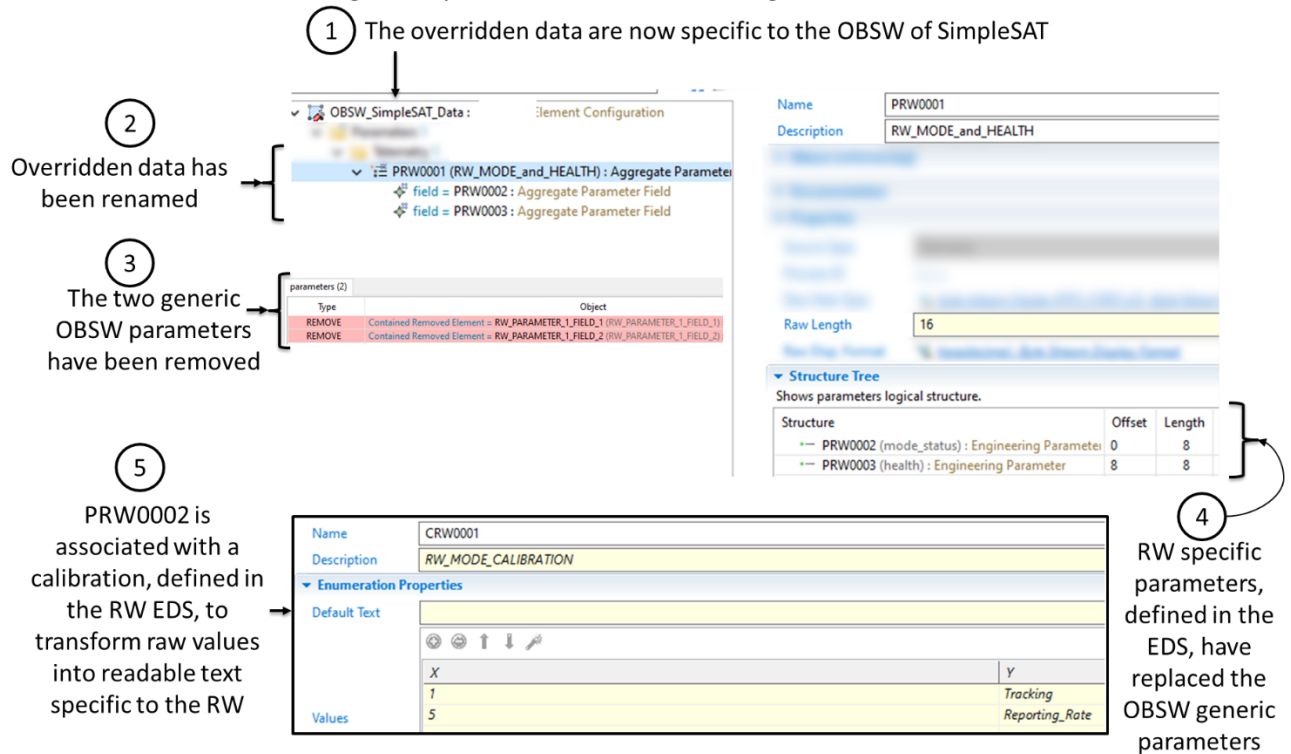


Figure-5: Overriding OBSW generic parameter with RW's SEDS data

With this overriding, when the TM generated by the OBSW is received on the ground, the definition of parameter PRW0002 will be used to decode the raw value of the RW mode. Additionally, thanks to the calibration CRW0001 associated with the parameter PRW0002 as depicted in Figure-5, the incoming telemetry flow will either show **Tracking** or **Reporting\_Rate** instead of 1 or 5.

At this stage, the OBSW data in the SRDB is well missionized with hardware data coming from the RW's SEDS. Now it is possible to export that data into the appropriate formats in order to operate the satellite and decode the incoming telemetry data correctly.