

V&V Summary Report

L2 ASCDS Version : 8.4.3

Observation 12878 - L2 Version 3
Chandra X-Ray Center

L2 Processing Date : Feb 9 2012

See [axaff12878N003_VV001_vvref2.pdf](#) for the full report

V&V Scientist	Beth Sundheim
V&V Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2012.02.13
V&V Edition	1
V&V Disposition and Status	OK
V&V Charge Time	131.95761897433

Comments

The data for this observation have been processed using the 'EDSER' sub-pixel event-repositioning algorithm of Li et al. (2004, ApJ, 610, 1204). Small-scale features should become sharper for sources near the aim point. The improvement will be less noticeable for off-axis sources where the size of the point-spread function is comparable to or larger than the size of an ACIS pixel. To take full advantage of the improvement, images should be binned on spatial scales smaller than the size of an ACIS pixel. Note that, at present, the point-spread function has not been calibrated for data to which the EDSER algorithm has been applied. If dither was disabled for the observation, then the algorithm can introduce artificial aliasing effects on spatial scales smaller than a pixel. If you would prefer to use no sub-pixel adjustment or to apply a coordinate randomization, then use `acis_process_events` to reprocess the data with the parameter `pix_adj=NONE` or `RANDOMIZE`, respectively.

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The guide star in slot 7 was removed from the aspect solution due to poor data quality. The aspect solution is improved by the removal of this guide star from the solution.

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Joint proposal with HST.

seq_num	801017	Sequence number
obs_id	12878	Observation id
title	Extreme Mergers from the Massive Cluster Survey	Proposal title
observer	Dr Roger Morris	Principal investigator
object	MACSJ1226.8+2153	Source name
dtcycle	0	
cycle	P	events from which exps? Prim/Second/Both
ra_targ	186.714583	Observer's specified target RA [deg]
dec_targ	21.854306	Observer's specified target Dec [deg]
ra_nom	186.6783335279	Nominal RA [deg]
dec_nom	21.837110150639	Nominal Dec [deg]
roll_nom	203.59698176947	Nominal Roll [deg]
revision	3	Processing version of data
ontime	131957.61897433	Sum of GTIs [s]
livetime	130233.49553664	Livetime [s]
ontime0	131960.76001447	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime1	131945.05497271	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime2	131941.91390294	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime3	131957.61897433	Sum of GTIs [s]
l2events	335432	Number of level 2 events

