

V&V Summary Report

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Observation 18934 - L2 Version 1
Chandra X-Ray Center

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V&V Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2018.03.07
V&V Edition	3
V&V Disposition and Status	OK
V&V Charge Time	80.078457620263

Comments

A spatial region of the original bias map for CCD = 0 suffered from anomalously high data values. Pixels in the event data that were bias-corrected by one of the original affected bias pixels may have an apparent energy shift. While the change in energy is expected to be small (~20 eV), it depends on many parameters that have not yet been fully explored for this bias anomaly. In this case, the bias map for CCD=0 could not be improved because no suitable data at a compatible temperature and time range are available to use as replacement values. The bias map used in this processing is the original bias map telemetered with the observation.

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The focal plane temperature during part of this observation was warmer than the upper limit for optimum calibration of the ACIS gain and spectral resolution (i.e., -114.0 C for ACIS-I and -112.0 C for ACIS-S).

The Chandra calibration team calibrates the ACIS gain and spectral resolution using data from the external calibration source (ECS). ECS data show that the frontside-illuminated (FI) CCDs are more temperature sensitive than the backside-illuminated (BI) CCDs.

A summary of the current calibration status of the ACIS gain and spectral resolution can be found at:

The main points are:

- 1) The gain on BI chips remains within 0.3% (i.e., the systematic uncertainty in the ACIS gain quoted on the Chandra Calibration Status Summary web page) at all measured temperatures.
 - 2) The gain on FI chips remains within 0.3% below row 600 at all measured temperatures.
 - 3) The gain on FI chips above row 600 can be underestimated by as much as 1% for focal plane temperatures exceeding -116 C.
 - 4) The spectral resolution (i.e., FWHM) on BI chips is insensitive to the focal plane temperature.
 - 5) Warmer focal plane temperatures increase the FWHM on FI chips by up to 30 eV near row 512 and by up to 70 eV near the top of the chips.
- In summary, the user should be cautious in the spectral analysis of high S/N emission lines detected on the top half of FI chips in this observation. Default processing with the current version of the CALDB will underestimate photon energies by up to 1% and broaden emission lines by up to 70 eV.

seq_num	201127	Sequence number
obs_id	18934	Observation id
title	Chandra/ACIS-I observations of W3-AFGL333: Studying Feedback from Massive stars on Circumstellar Disk Evolution	Proposal title
observer	Jinyoung Kim	Principal investigator
object	AFGL333	Source name
dtcycle	0	
cycle	P	events from which exps? Prim/Second/Both
ra_targ	37.103333	Observer's specified target RA [deg]
dec_targ	61.525361	Observer's specified target Dec [deg]
ra_nom	37.092659793251	Nominal RA [deg]
dec_nom	61.516634296997	Nominal Dec [deg]
roll_nom	212.89422648111	Nominal Roll [deg]
revision	1	Processing version of data
ontime	80078.457620263	Sum of GTIs [s]
livetime	79032.173618552	Livetime [s]
ontime0	80072.05246985	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime1	80078.375540257	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime2	80078.416580319	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime3	80078.457620263	Sum of GTIs [s]
l2events	218573	Number of level 2 events

