

V&V Summary Report

L2 ASCDS Version : 7.6.10

Observation 1701 - L2 Version 6
Chandra X-Ray Center

L2 Processing Date : Sep 22 2007

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V&V Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2007.09.24
V&V Edition	1
V&V Disposition and Status	OK
V&V Charge Time	27.83

Comments

ACIS was commanded to make timed exposures of 0.1 and 0.7 seconds with a 1:9 duty cycle. Since 6 CCDs were used, the 0.1 second exposures violated a minimum exposure time constraint -- 'e >= 0.04104*(n-1)' -- where 'e' is the primary or secondary exposure time and 'n' the number of CCDs. The flight s/w reacts to a violation of the rule by setting the appropriate exposure time to zero. The effect, in the case of OBSID 1701, was to reduce the events in the 0.1 second exposure frames to those few that were collected during the 0.04104-sec-per-frame smear interval. There is no usable dispersed spectral data in the primary exposure (e1).=====

Zeroth order piled up. Standard data processing software did not correctly locate the zeroth order due to pileup of the secondary exposure set. Manual intervention was used

to input the correct sky coordinates (x=4032.91, y=4135.49) into the *src1a.fits file table. These corrected coordinates were determined using a software tool developed by CXC called findzero, which is expected to be released in CIAO (currently in ISIS). The tool calculates the point of intersection of the readout streak and the meg arm (preferred position), or the readout streak and the heg arm. The zeroth order source position determined by the standard pipeline processing using the tool tgdetect was not used in this processing. The same zeroth order position was used in the processing of both the primary and secondary datasets, although the primary dataset has no dispersed spectral data or zeroth order. Note that these corrected coordinates of the zeroth order cannot be reproduced by running tgdetect on the data.

seq_num	400110
obs_id	1701
title	CHANDRA ACIS/LETG OBSERVATIONS OF THE LEAST ABSORBED X-RAY NOVA: XTE J1118+48
observer	Dr. Jeffrey McClintock
object	XTE J1118+48
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l2events	2467

