

# V&V Summary Report

## L2 ASCDS Version : 7.6.8

Observation 3505 - L2 Version 001  
Chandra X-Ray Center

L2 Processing Date : Aug 25 2006

See axaff03505N001\_VV001\_vvref2.pdf for the full report

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V&V Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2007.06.15
V&V Edition	1
V&V Disposition and Status	OK
V&V Charge Time	16.058

## Comments

Sco X-1 intentionally off-chip; a nominal mapping of source celestial position to virtual chip position was used for zero-order centroid, and is somewhat in error. The sky coordinates used in this processing are  $x=4077.53$ ,  $y=4122.10$ , derived from the position of Sco X-1. Although some minus-order HEG counts are detected in the extraction window, no MEG counts fall in the extraction window. This observation will require some user-iteration to obtain an improved zero order centroid. It is also possible that inaccurate graded-mode gain calibration and/or order-sorting tables, or pileup in the MEG arms, are responsible for the misalignment of the extraction regions with the spectral data.

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The following analysis techniques are recommended:

1. Reprocess with `acis_process_events` to eliminate the CTI correction:  
params  
`apply_cti=no; apply_tgain=yes;gainfile=CALDB`. This will yield sharper, more well-defined orders.

2. Determine position of zeroth order (iteration may be necessary here).

3. To get mask size, determine perpendicular separation of source from counts trace. We calculate 640 pixels.

4. Run `tg_create_mask` with params `use_user_pars=yes`;  
`last_source_toread=A`;  
`sA_zero_x=4077.53 (iterate)`; `sA_zero_y=4122.10 (iterate)`;  
`sA_zero_rad=20`;  
`sA_width_meg=1400 (2*640=1200+200(safety margin)=1400)`.

5. Run `tg_resolve_events` on results above, using the flat order sorting to compensate for the bad gain: `params osipfile=NONE`; `osort_lo=0.2`; `osort_hi=0.5`. The first and second orders of the spectrum should work fine with this setup. For third order and above, the bad gain correction will scale the CCD energy into the next order.

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The charge time is based on `CCD_ID=7 (S3)`, which had no dropped frames and does reflect the requested exposure. Other chips have dropped frames due to telemetry saturation by the dispersed spectra, and their effective exposures range from 8-11.4 ksec. Spectral arms are piled up.

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obs_id	3505
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observer	Prof. Claude Canizares
object	SCO X-1
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l2events	5565408

