

# V&V Summary Report

## L2 ASCDS Version : 10

Observation 1456 - L2 Version 6  
Chandra X-Ray Center

L2 Processing Date : Jul 19 2013

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V&V Scientist	Joy Nichols
V&V Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2013.07.23
V&V Edition	1
V&V Disposition and Status	OK
V&V Charge Time	20.803

## Comments

WARNING: This is a multi-obi gratings observation which will require special handling by the investigator. While the Level 2 data products for each of the two obi's have been combined in this processing, this is not the best method for pursuing analysis. Each obi should be treated as a separate observation so that the responses are appropriate for each observation. TGCat intends to provide these separate products in the near future.

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For the data products associated with this current processing: ===(1.) roll\_nom will be the same for both obi's. If analysis software is used on these products that uses roll\_nom in calculations, the investigator needs to modify the obi=2 roll\_nom value either manually or with a header correction, ===(2.) Ideally, each obi should be considered a separate observation and processed separately from Level 1.5. The responses will be different for the 2 obi's, and additionally (and more importantly) the object was in different states for these 2 obi's. The dispersed spectral data should only be combined after extracting the spectra individually from level 1 and deriving individual arfs and rmfs. If the 2 obi's are treated as separate observations and run through Level 2 in CIAO separately, (1) above does not apply. ===(3.) Both obis are piled up in the zeroth

order and have significant readout streaks. The zeroth order for obi=0 was found successfully with the tool tg\_findzo, which calculates the point of intersection of the readout streak and the meg arm. However, because tg\_findzo uses the keyword roll\_nom, it failed to find the correct zeroth order for obi=2. Nevertheless, if one uses the same coordinates for the zeroth order as obi=0, the zeroth order position for obi=2 is within the tolerance. ===(4.) The evt2 and pha2 were merged over obis in this processing. Generation of responses, necessary for analysis, will require use of the individual OBI files. OBI 0 and OBI 2 should be processed with zeroth order sky coordinates of (x=4073.015, y=4131.956) manually inserted in the processing.

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Note: Spectral arms are also piled up at the hard X-ray region.

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In this version of the processing, the Special Processing Comment in the gratings L1.5 log gives the incorrect zeroth order coordinates. The coordinates stated in this V&V report are accurate for this processing.

seq_num	400014	Sequence number
obs_id	1456	Observation id
title	OBSERVATIONS OF ACTIVE, COMPACT, LOW-MASS X-RAY BINARIES WITH LETGS	&#160
observer	DR. ALBERT BRINKMAN	Principal investigator
object	CYG X-3	Source name
dtcycle	0	&#160
cycle	P	events from which exps? Prim/Second/Both
ra_targ	308.10625	Observer's specified target RA [deg]
dec_targ	40.957694	Observer's specified target Dec [deg]
ra_nom	308.103107	Nominal RA [deg]
dec_nom	40.952866	Nominal Dec [deg]
roll_nom	268.821531	Nominal Roll [deg]
revision	6	Processing version of data
ontime	20796.800019369	Sum of GTIs [s]
livetime	20533.458415194	Livetime [s]
ontime5	20796.800019369	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime6	20796.800019369	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime7	20796.800019369	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime8	20796.800019369	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime9	20796.800019369	Sum of GTIs [s]
l2events	663768	Number of level 2 events

