V&V Summary Report L2 ASCDS Version : 10.7.1

Observation 22176 - L2 Version 2 Chandra X-Ray Center

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V&V Scientist	Beth Sundheim
V&V Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2019.04.17
V&V Edition	1
V&V Disposition and Status	OK
V&V Charge Time	52.066730508447

Comments

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To compensate for a few bad pixels not marked as bad that were not removed in the Level 2 processing, a custom bad pixel file with additional bad pixels at (chipx, chipy) = (232:234,322:339) in S1 was added in this processing. As a result, the user will NOT find a relatively bright square of pixels on the S1 chip for level 2 data caused by the application of the dither algorithm to the bad pixels in question, as opposed to previous processing(s).

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:

http://asc.harvard.edu/cal/Acis/Cal_prods/Gain_and_Spectral_Resolution/A
CIS_response_summary.html

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. ==

Two optional chips were dropped.

seq_num	801753	Sequence number
obs_id	22176	Observation id
title	Fuelling and self-regulation of AGN feedback at the Bondi radius of M84	Proposal title
observer	Helen Russell	Principal investigator
object	M84	Source name
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cycle	Р	events from which exps? Prim/Second/Both
ra_targ	186.265833	Observer's specified target RA [deg]
dec_targ	12.886944	Observer's specified target Dec [deg]
ra_nom	186.2525937019	Nominal RA [deg]
dec_nom	12.875024253355	Nominal Dec [deg]
roll_nom	213.15957954716	Nominal Roll [deg]
revision	2	Processing version of data
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livetime	51386.440343384	Livetime [s]
ontime3	52063.46631825	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime5	52066.689468503	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime6	52057.225147486	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime7	52066.730508447	Sum of GTIs [s]
l2events	609892	Number of level 2 events

