V&V Summary Report L2 ASCDS Version: 10.8

Observation 22645 - L2 Version 2 Chandra X-Ray Center

L2 Processing Date : Oct 3 2019

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V&V Scientist	Beth Sundheim
V&V Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2019.10.03
V&V Edition	1
V&V Disposition and Status	OK
V&V Charge Time	49.066123758197

Comments

One optional chip was dropped.

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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).

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The focal plane temperature during the interval 686282122.29 - 686285386.59 (MET s) of this observation was warmer than the upper limit for optimum calibration of the ACIS gain and spectral resolution (i.e., -111.0 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/ACIS_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.

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seq_num		Sequence number
obs_id	22645	Observation id
title	Spiraling into the 'quotation mark' cluster	Proposal title
observer	Ming Sun	Principal investigator
object	MCXC J0157.4-0550	Source name
dtycycle	0	& #160
cycle	P	events from which exps? Prim/Second/Both
ra_targ	29.399917	Observer's specified target RA [deg]
dec_targ	-5.810972	Observer's specified target Dec [deg]
ra_nom	29.403172807678	Nominal RA [deg]
dec_nom	-5.7918332033052	Nominal Dec [deg]
roll_nom	69.156948671416	Nominal Roll [deg]
revision	2	Processing version of data
ontime	49066.123758197	Sum of GTIs [s]
livetime	48425.038729341	Livetime [s]
ontime3	49066.000638247	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime5	49066.082718253	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime6	49066.04167819	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime7	49066.123758197	Sum of GTIs [s]
12events	557543	Number of level 2 events

