

V&V Summary Report

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Observation 21048 - L2 Version 1
Chandra X-Ray Center

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V&V Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2018.07.25
V&V Edition	1
V&V Disposition and Status	OK
V&V Charge Time	40.947200610161

Comments

Joint Proposal: NRAO

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The focal plane temperature during the first ~4ksec 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.

seq_num	703599	Sequence number
obs_id	21048	Observation id
title	NGC 3393: Resolving Feedback in the Narrow Line Region on 50-pc Scales	Proposal title
observer	Walter Maksym	Principal investigator
object	NGC 3393	Source name
dtcycle	0	
cycle	P	events from which exps? Prim/Second/Both
ra_targ	162.0975	Observer's specified target RA [deg]
dec_targ	-25.162028	Observer's specified target Dec [deg]
ra_nom	162.0987297554	Nominal RA [deg]
dec_nom	-25.165601794271	Nominal Dec [deg]
roll_nom	223.93395940127	Nominal Roll [deg]
revision	1	Processing version of data
ontime	40947.200610161	Sum of GTIs [s]
livetime	40428.702500591	Livetime [s]
ontime2	40947.200610161	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime3	40943.945183635	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime5	40947.200610161	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime6	40930.995618343	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime7	40947.200610161	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime8	40947.145134091	Sum of GTIs [s]
l2events	515775	Number of level 2 events

