

V&V Summary Report

L2 ASCDS Version : 10.6

Observation 20517 - L2 Version 1
Chandra X-Ray Center

L2 Processing Date : Oct 2 2017

See [axaff20517N001_VV002_vvref2.pdf](#) for the full report

V&V Scientist	Beth Sundheim
V&V Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2018.03.07
V&V Edition	2
V&V Disposition and Status	OK
V&V Charge Time	10.077768400192

Comments

Optional chip S2 not included.

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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.

seq_num	801731	Sequence number
obs_id	20517	Observation id
title	Enabling precision cosmology with optically selected galaxy clusters	
observer	Roger Morris	Principal investigator
object	CIG J225656+244547	Source name
dtcycle	0	
cycle	P	events from which exps? Prim/Second/Both
ra_targ	344.209583	Observer's specified target RA [deg]
dec_targ	24.800944	Observer's specified target Dec [deg]
ra_nom	344.18050530457	Nominal RA [deg]
dec_nom	24.768456460177	Nominal Dec [deg]
roll_nom	225.2209108236	Nominal Roll [deg]
revision	1	Processing version of data
ontime	10077.768400192	Sum of GTIs [s]
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ontime2	10077.727340221	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime3	10077.768400192	Sum of GTIs [s]
l2events	24611	Number of level 2 events

