V&V Summary Report L2 ASCDS Version: 10.8

Observation 21694 - L2 Version 1 Chandra X-Ray Center

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V&V Scientist	Melania Nynka
V&V Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2019.08.14
V&V Edition	1
V&V Disposition and Status	OK
V&V Charge Time	61.298326992273

Comments

Comment for FP temp violation

The focal plane temperature during the interval 681708341.50 - 681711490.30 (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:nhttp://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 $30~{\rm eV}$ near row $512~{\rm and}$ by up to $70~{\rm eV}$ 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	703822	Sequence number
obs_id	21694	Observation id
title	Capturing the disk wind in NGC 5548 with Chandra	Proposal title
observer	Jelle Kaastra	Principal investigator
object	NGC 5548	Source name
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cycle	P	events from which exps? Prim/Second/Both
ra_targ	214.497917	Observer's specified target RA [deg]
dec_targ	25.136833	Observer's specified target Dec [deg]
ra_nom	214.50170762435	Nominal RA [deg]
dec_nom	25.133869271261	Nominal Dec [deg]
roll_nom	261.6550257062	Nominal Roll [deg]
revision	1	Processing version of data
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livetime	60522.130666476	Livetime [s]
ontime4	61295.127061844	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime5	61298.28595221	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime6	61298.244912267	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime7	61298.326992273	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime8	61298.203872204	Sum of GTIs [s]
ontime9	61298.16283226	Sum of GTIs [s]
12events	826860	Number of level 2 events

