



AHELP for CIAO 3.4

## grids

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## Synopsis

Adds grid lines to a drawing area and/or changes grid attributes.

## Syntax

```
chips> [D #] GRIDS [<gridtype>] <color>
chips> [D #] GRIDS [<gridtype>] [<coord>] <boolean>
chips> [D #] GRIDS [<gridtype>] <linestyle>
```

## Description

```
Argument: <boolean>
Description: drawing area grids on or off
Options: {ON | OFF}
Default: ON
```

```
Argument: <color>
Description: axes color
Options: BLACK, BLUE, CYAN, DEFAULT, GREEN, MAGENTA, RED, WHITE, YELLOW
Default: DEFAULT (appears in ChIPS window as white; prints as black)
```

```
Argument: <coord>
Description: axis coordinates
Options: X, Y
Default: both X and Y
```

```
Argument: D #
Description: drawing area number designation
Options: integer numbers
Default: current drawing area
```

See the D command for more information about this argument.

```
Argument: <gridtype>
Description: type of grid markings
Options: MAJ - grid lines along major tick marks
         MIN - grid lines along minor tick marks
Default: both MAJ and MIN
```

```
Argument: <linestyle>
Description: style for lines
Options: SOLID, DOT, DASH, LONGDASH, DOTDASH, DOTLONGDASH,
         DASHLONGDASH
Default: SOLID
```

CIAO allows some plot attributes to be changed using the ChIPS state object and resource file. See "ahelp

chips" for further details.

## Example 1

```
chips> CURVE data/example.dat  
chips> GRIDS ON
```

A curve is plotted, then the grid lines are turned on.

## Example 2

```
chips> GRIDS MAJ Y ON  
chips> GRIDS MIN X ON
```

Grid lines along the major Y-axis tick marks are turned on, while the lines along the minor X-axis tick marks are turned on.

## Example 3

```
chips> GRIDS MAJ BLUE  
chips> GRIDS MIN CYAN  
chips> GRIDS LONGDASH
```

The major tick marks are changed to the color blue, and the minor tick marks are changed to the color cyan. Finally, all grid line styles are changed from a solid line to a long dash.

## Bugs

See the [bugs page for ChIPS](#) on the CIAO website for an up-to-date listing of known bugs.

## See Also

*chips*

[axes](#), [drawarea](#), [errs](#), [font](#), [label](#), [levels](#), [limits](#), [line](#), [linear](#), [location](#), [log](#), [relativesize](#), [split](#), [symbol](#),  
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