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## **GUIDE: Grating User Interactive Data Extension**

The GUIDE package assists with the identification of atomic lines in X-ray spectra and in the use of those lines to derive physical quantities, e.g. density, temperature, differential emission measure distributions.

GUIDE is intended for use within <u>Sherpa</u>; see the <u>GUIDE</u>: <u>Fitting and Identifying Spectral Lines</u> thread for an example. It links Sherpa results (stored in an <u>MDL</u> file) to the <u>ATOMDB</u>, enabling the identification of spectral lines, and the use of their properties in further fitting. GUIDE makes heavy use of <u>S-Lang</u>.

Further details are available from the <u>GUIDE</u> ahelp page and the GUIDE manual (see the <u>manuals page</u>).

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