



CIAO 2.2.1 Release Notes

Return to: [Version History](#)

This CIAO release includes several new and updated instrument specific tools and data manipulation tools (e.g. `acisreadcorr`, `dmjoin`, `mkrmf` with weighting option, `mkwarf`, `rmfimg`, etc.), plus new and enhanced functionality within the SHERPA ([ahelp/sherpa.html](#)) modeling and fitting application and the CHIPS ([ahelp/chips.html](#)) plotting and imaging application. Editing capabilities have been added to PRISM ([ahelp/prism.html](#)) and the VARMM ([ahelp/varmm.html](#)) interface library has been extended.

Contents:

- Tools
 - Sherpa
 - User Infrastructure
-

Tools

`dmcopy` / `dmlist` / `dmstat`

- Fix for region problems with PIE and SECTOR filtering and some of the area problems.

`mkpsf`

- Fix for autonaming for individually extracted images

`dmextract`

- minor tweaks to `wmap` parameter comment (`det=32`).
- Fix for crash if user supplied stack of background regions.
- Users can now supply an additional filter to `wmap` that is independent of filter applied to input file (eg create `wmap` in a specific energy range).
- Fix for region problems with PIE and SECTOR filtering and area problems.

`dmfilth`

- Fix for bug that gives wrong answers for non-square images

`dmsort` ** UPDATE **

- Completely re-written and available now as a stable stand-alone tool.
- No restriction on the number of input rows as before.
- Fast for files that are 'almost' sorted.

`dmtcalc`

- Fix for bug that prevented creating/updating columns with the same name as existed in input file(s).

`dmmerge`

- Additional checks on the array size and dimensions for input files.

`reproject_events`

- Speed improvements

CIAO Release Notes – CIAO 3.4

psf_project_ray

- Fix to work with recently updated focal length

sso_freeze

- Fix to the TLMIN/TLMAX keywords that prevented the image in object-centered coordinates from being displayed properly in ds9

tgdetect

- Changed default cellsize from 0 to 15 so that celldetect will not use the PSF library to determine cellsize. A fixed cellsize of 15 pixels has been found to be most effective for the majority of data processed.

add_grating_spectra

- Fix for cleaning up temporary files at the end of the script.

psextract

- Minor bug fix to deal with CONTENT header keyword to determine which type of aspect files were provided.

Sherpa

- Background filtering has been improved to allow separate instrument models and independently grouped background data.
- fakeit can now simulate data with a source model only, using the "dataspace" command.
- Several minor plotting improvements have been implemented.

User Infrastructure

DS9

- DS9 v2.0b4: supported in chips, prism, filtwin, and sherpa

Prism

- Fixed several PRISM keyword viewing and editing bugs

ISIS

- ISIS ots upgrade from v0.9.51 to v0.9.61

Documentation

- XML documentation
- server HTML page(s) verified W3C compliant
- corrected problem display of minus/plus in position

mkoif

- Corrected mkoif to disregard +x permission on input files

Setup Scripts

- Improved message for unsupported platforms in ciao.*sh setup scripts

The Chandra X-Ray Center (CXC) is operated for NASA by the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory.
60 Garden Street, Cambridge, MA 02138 USA.
Smithsonian Institution, Copyright © 1998–2006. All rights reserved.

URL:
http://cxc.harvard.edu/ciao3.4/releasenotes/ciao_2.2.1_release.html

Last modified: 11 August 2006