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CIAO 3.4.1 and 3.4.1.1 Release Notes

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(29 Jan 2007) CIAO 3.4 for Mac OS X 10.4 on PowerPC has been patched to 3.4.1. CIAO 3.4 for Mac OS X 10.4 on Intel has been patched to 3.4.1.1.

Solaris and Linux platforms are not affected by these patches.

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- CIAO 3.4.1: Mac OS X 10.4 on PowerPC
- CIAO 3.4.1.1: Mac OS X 10.4 on Intel

CIAO 3.4.1: Mac OS X 10.4 on PowerPC

• The CIAO 3.4.1 patch fixes problems running prism and filtwin under *Mac OS X 10.4 on PowerPC*. This patch has no effect when installed under Mac OS X 10.2 or 10.3 on PowerPC. The patch file upgrades CIAO 3.4 to CIAO 3.4.1.

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CIAO 3.4.1.1: Mac OS X 10.4 on Intel

• The CIAO 3.4.1.1 patch makes it possible to run all tools and UI (e.g. Sherpa and ChIPS) under *Mac OS X* 10.4 on *Intel*. Intel Mac users do not need to install the CIAO 3.4.1 patch; the CIAO 3.4.1.1 patch file is a direct upgrade to CIAO 3.4.

The CIAO software for Intel runs under Apple's Rosetta software [http://www.apple.com/rosetta/], which is included in Mac OS X for Intel machines. A native Intel build of CIAO will be released in 2007.

There are some <u>performance test results</u> of running CIAO on Intel Mac under Rosetta at the end of these release notes.

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Sherpa: user models

• The Sherpa user-model package (sherpa_user.tar.gz) has been updated to support the CIAO 3.4.1.1 release. The OS X Makefiles have been changed to allow building on Intel Mac systems.

Performance Tests

• The results of this brief performance testing gives users an idea of how running CIAO on an Intel Mac under Rosetta compares to other platforms.

The machines used in test 1 and 2 are:

- Sun Ultra 80 running Solaris 8 with 4 GB memory
- ♦ Sun Java W2100Z running RHEL-4 with 8 GB memory
- ♦ MacBook Pro Core 2 Duo 2.33 GHz with 2 GB memory, running CIAO under Rosetta

Test 1: binning up a 1.9 million events HRC event list using dmcopy and a [bin x=::8, y=::8] specification.

Test 2: running hrc_process_events on	a 2.9 million events HRC file.
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Machine	Test 1 (dmcopy)		Test 2 (hrc_process_events)	
	Total CPU	Elapsed Time	Total CPU	Elapsed Time
Sun Ultra	39.58 sec	47.46 sec	939.70 sec	1026.27 sec

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Sun Java	8.709 sec	21.22 sec	143.135 sec	225.05 sec
MacBook Pro	10.785 sec	13.021 sec	246.935 sec	256.463 sec

• The machines used in test 3 are:

- ♦ Macbook Pro laptop with a 2.16 Ghz Intel Core Duo processor, running CIAO under Rosetta
- ◆ Mac PowerPC 1.8 Ghz PPC G5 (single core)
- ♦ Linux running RHEL-4 with 2 GB memory
- Sun Blade 150 running Solaris 8 with 2.5 GB memory

Test 3: running a 2D fit and projection in *Sherpa* on a 1256² image with the beta2d model using cash statistics.

Elapsed time has been rounded to the nearest 15 sec.

Machine	Elapsed Time
Macbook Pro	21:00 min
Mac PowerPC	18:30 min
Linux	17:00 min
Sun Blade	56:15 min

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