

# Creating response matrices for extended regions

What we need :

- A screened events file
- The distribution of Alexey Vikhlinin's tools available from <http://hea-www.harvard.edu/jcm/asc/dist/av/av103.tar>

## The thread step by step

1. Define the region to extract the spectrum.
2. Extract a PI spectrum.

```
dmextract "evt.fits[sky=region(src.reg)][bin pi]" pi.fits
```

3. Create the weighting map used to weight the different FEFs. This is a binned image in detector coordinates.

```
dmcopy "evt.fits[sky=region(src.reg),energy=500:2000]  
[bin det=8]" wmap.fits
```

4. Find the temperature of the CCD during the observation.

```
dmlist "evt.fits" header | grep FP_TEMP
```

5. Update the parameter file
6. Generate the response matrix (rmf).

```
calcrmf -phafile pi.fits -wmap wmap.fits -o rmf.fits @par.file
```

7. Generate the ancillary response matrix (arf).

```
calcarf -phafile pi.fits -wmap wmap.fits -o arf.fits @par.file
```

8. Now you can fit the spectrum with SHERPA or XSPEC.

## The parameter file

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#####  
##### DATA FILES #####
```

```
evtfile = evt.fits /  
# The events file for the spectrum extraction is specified in the  
# command line _before_ @par.file; the evtfile parameter here  
# is used by calcarf and calcrmf as a place to find the pixlib  
# keywords
```

```
# gtifile = evt_proc_pi.fits[gti] / GTI file; ASSUME THAT GTI  
/filtering is done
```

```
fptemp=-110 # Focal plane temperature
```

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#####  
##### EXTRACT SPECTRUM PARAMETERS #####
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```
specbin = 1 / bin output spectrum by N; this job is better left for grpp  
bindetmap=8 / binning factor for Wmap in the PHA primary header by N  
ecol = PI / use PI/PHA channels to make the spectrum
```

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#####  
##### CALIBRATION DATA #####
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```
CALDIR = /soft/ciao/CALDB/data/chandra/  
hrma_onaxis_area = ../caldata/hrmaD1999-07-22axeffaN0004.fits  
hrma_vignetting = ../caldata/hrmaD1999-07-22vignetN0003.fits  
ccd_qe = ../caldata/acisD1997-04-17qeN0002.fits  
ccd_qeu = ../caldata/acisD1999-09-16qeuN0002.fits  
correct_qeu=yes
```

IN-FLIGHT FEFS:

```
fefdir=\$CALDIR/acis/cpf/feefs/FP-110/  
fefaffix=_D1999-09-16fef_piN0002.fits
```

ref\_pi\_rmf=../avdata/ref.rmf / ref\_pi\_rmf is needed to  
/ define the energy grid  
/ in the ARF and RMF

#####  
##### MISC #####

xcol = X / X and Y column names for "sky" coordinates  
ycol = Y /

xdetcol = DETX / X and Y column names for detector coordinates  
ydetcol = DETY /

timename = TIME / Time column name

gtiname = GTI / GTI extension name  
eventsname = EVENTS / Events

# NUCLEAR SPECTRUM

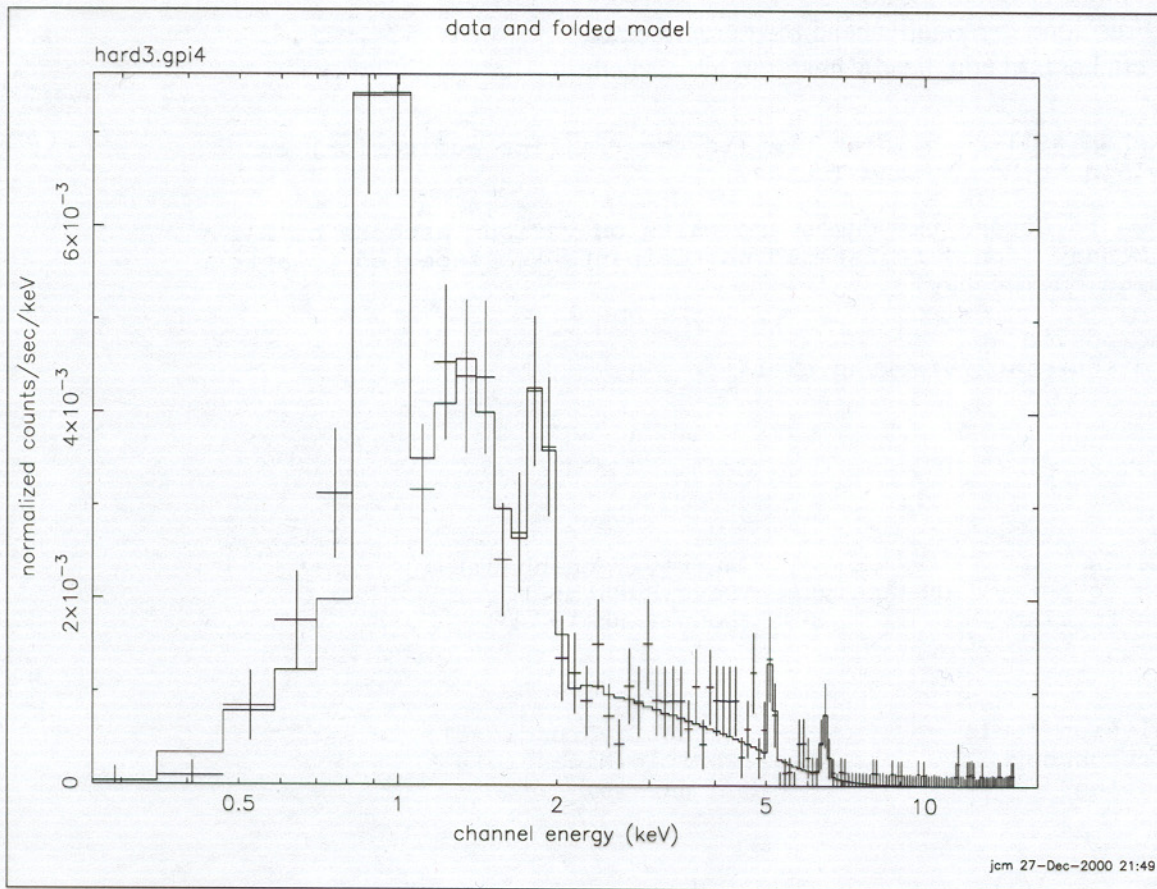


Figure 9: A preliminary analysis of the spectrum of the nuclear region shows contributions from thermal plasma at several temperatures and from a hard source. The luminosity of the power law component (see talk by Clements) is about  $4 \times 10^{40}$  erg/s, either a weak AGN or a super-Eddington binary.

$$N(p) = \int \text{ARF}(E) \text{RMF}(E, p) f(E) dE$$

$$N(p) = \iiint \text{ARF}(E, \theta, \phi, x, y) \text{RMF}(E, p; x, y) f(E) dE dx dy$$

- off axis angle ( $\theta$  azimuth)
- chip  $x$  location on chip

## A few more things ...

- Weighting by counts or by area ? It depends
- QEU correction
- The pixlib : Make sure to use the correct pixlib for your data
- The “dummy” rmf

