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& Future Issues**
- 2. ACIS Operations: Controlling the
ACIS FP Temperature**

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Planned Update: CTI Correction for Graded Mode for FI CCDs

- Timed Exposure (TE) Faint mode CTI correction adjusts the PH of each pixel in the 3x3 event island
- In TE Graded mode, only have x, y position of event, grade, and summed PH
- Use grade and summed PH to determine the most likely charge distribution based on ``average'' images
- Use this information in an Graded mode CTI correction

Mn-K flight grade 8 (left split) for S2

Bottom 256 rows



Top 256 rows

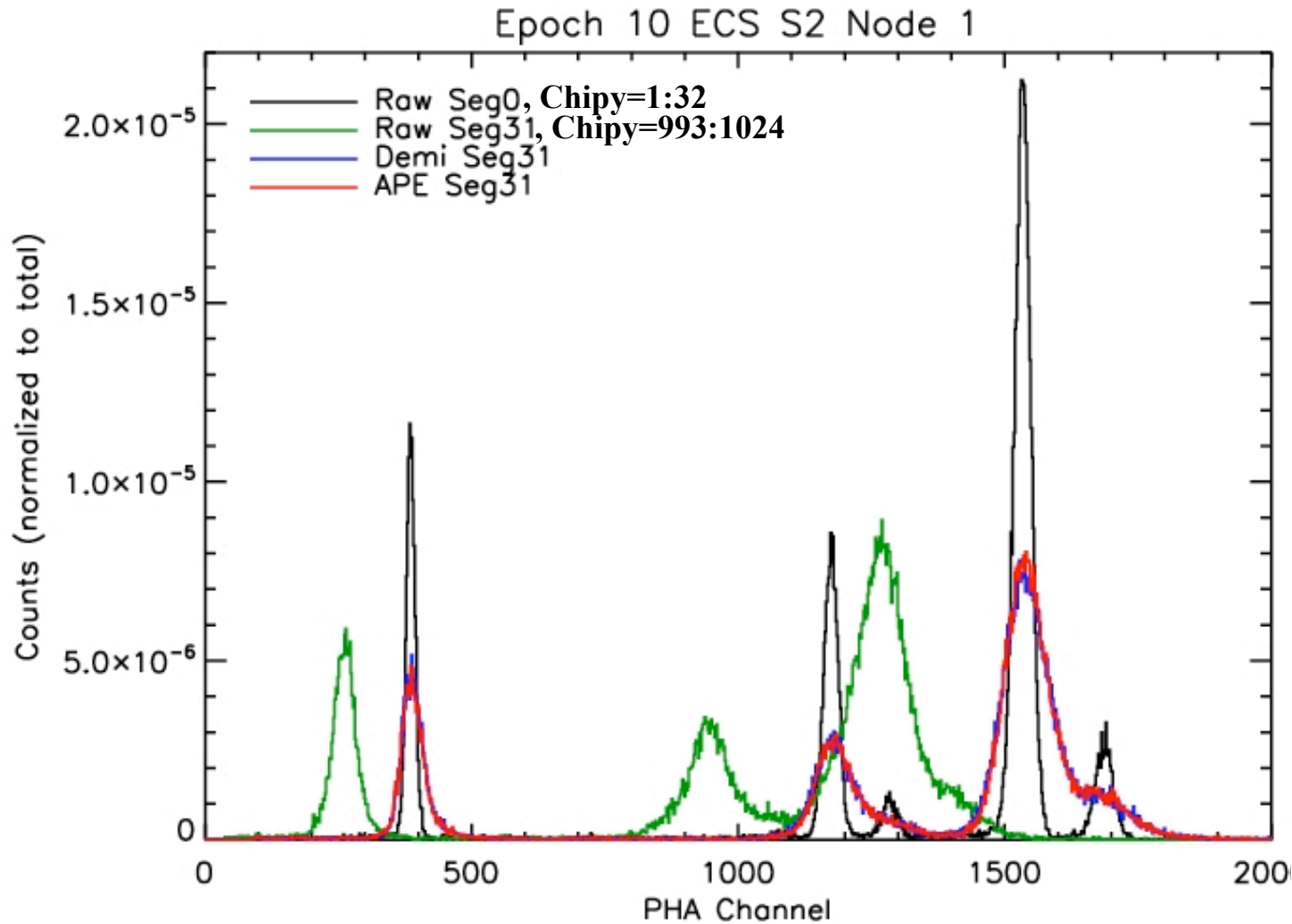


Vikhlinin (SAO)

For FI
CCDs only !



Comparison of Graded Mode and Faint Mode CTI Correction



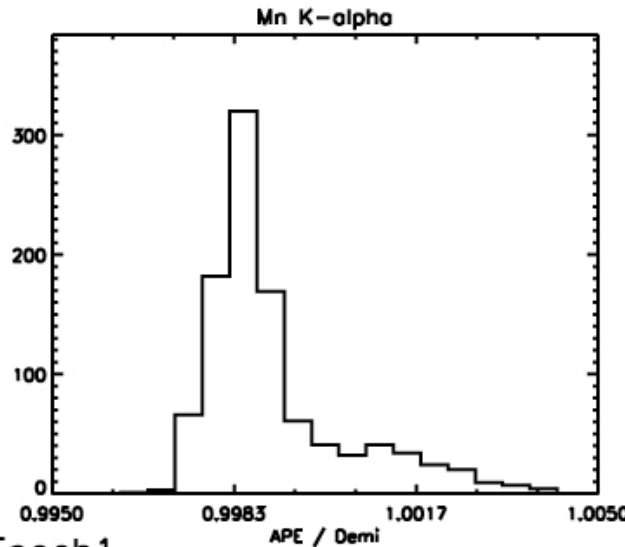
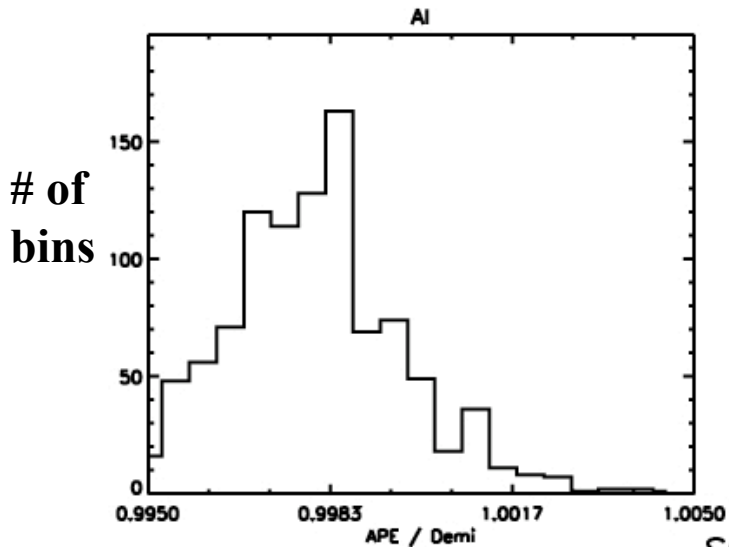
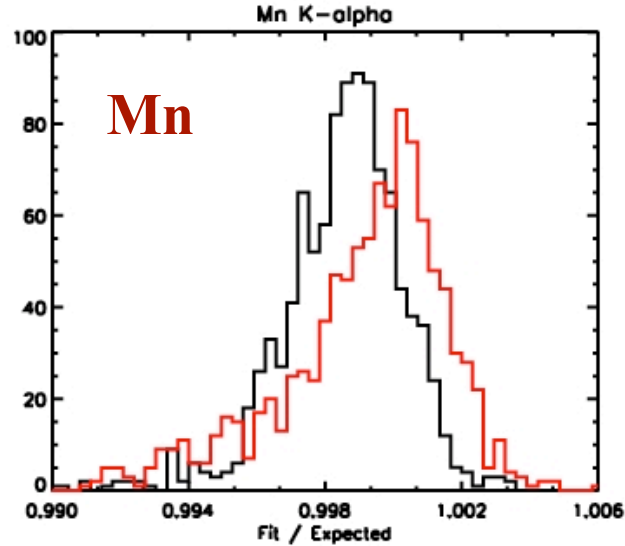
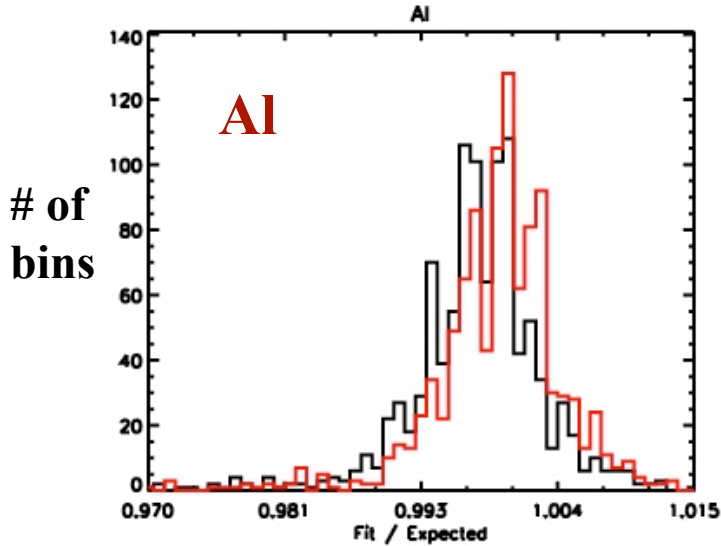
**Posson-
Brown
(SAO)**

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CTI correction
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mode correction**

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Comparison of Graded Mode and Faint Mode Gain Calibration



Posson-Brown (SAO)

Red: Graded
Black: Faint
Fit spectra from 1024 regions

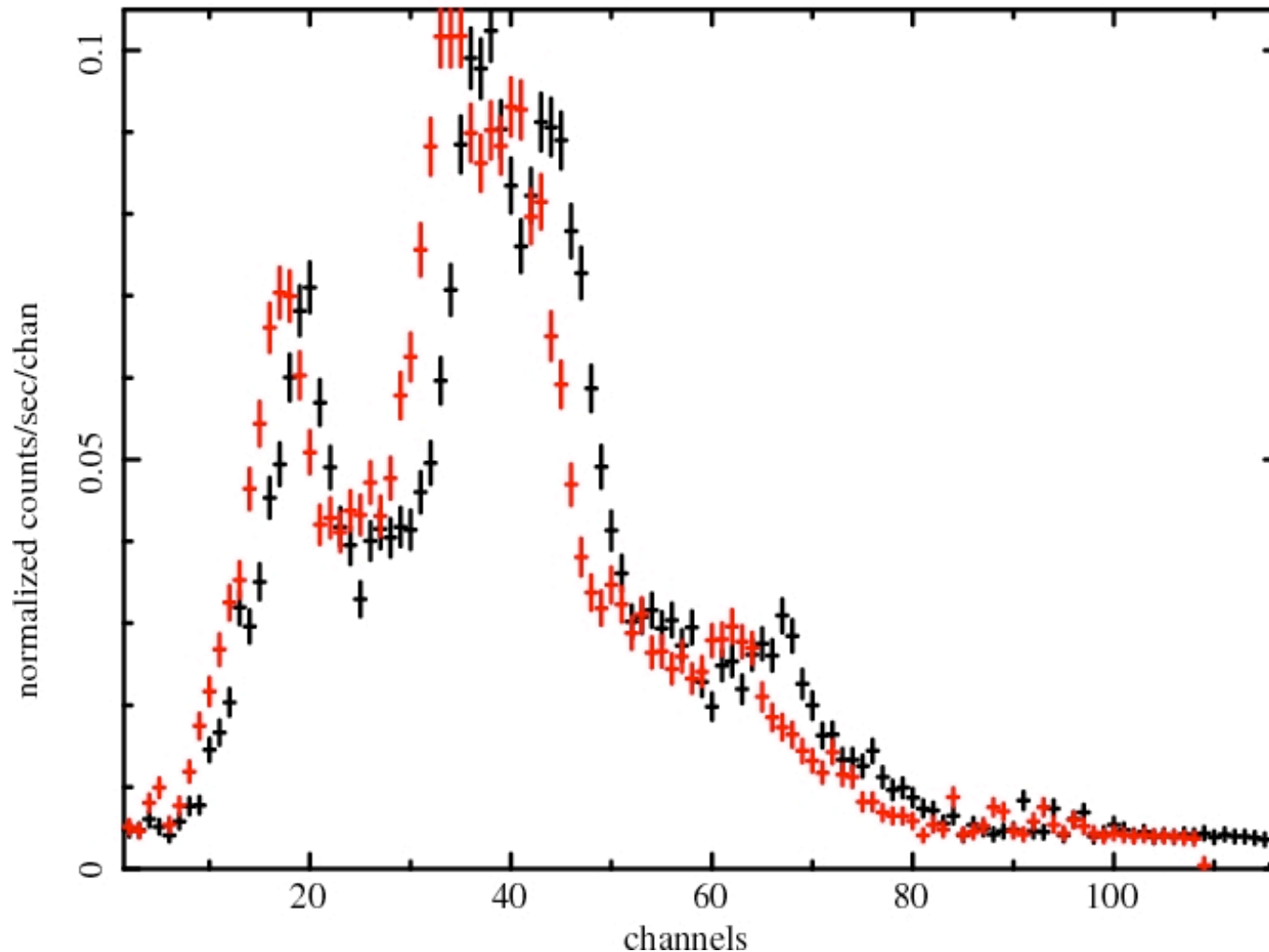
Small gain shift between Faint and Graded mode, typically less than 0.3%, Graded > Faint

For FI CCDs only !



Comparison of Graded Mode and Faint Mode CTI Correction

black: Faint Mode CTI cor | red: Graded Mode no CTI cor



DePasquale
(SAO)

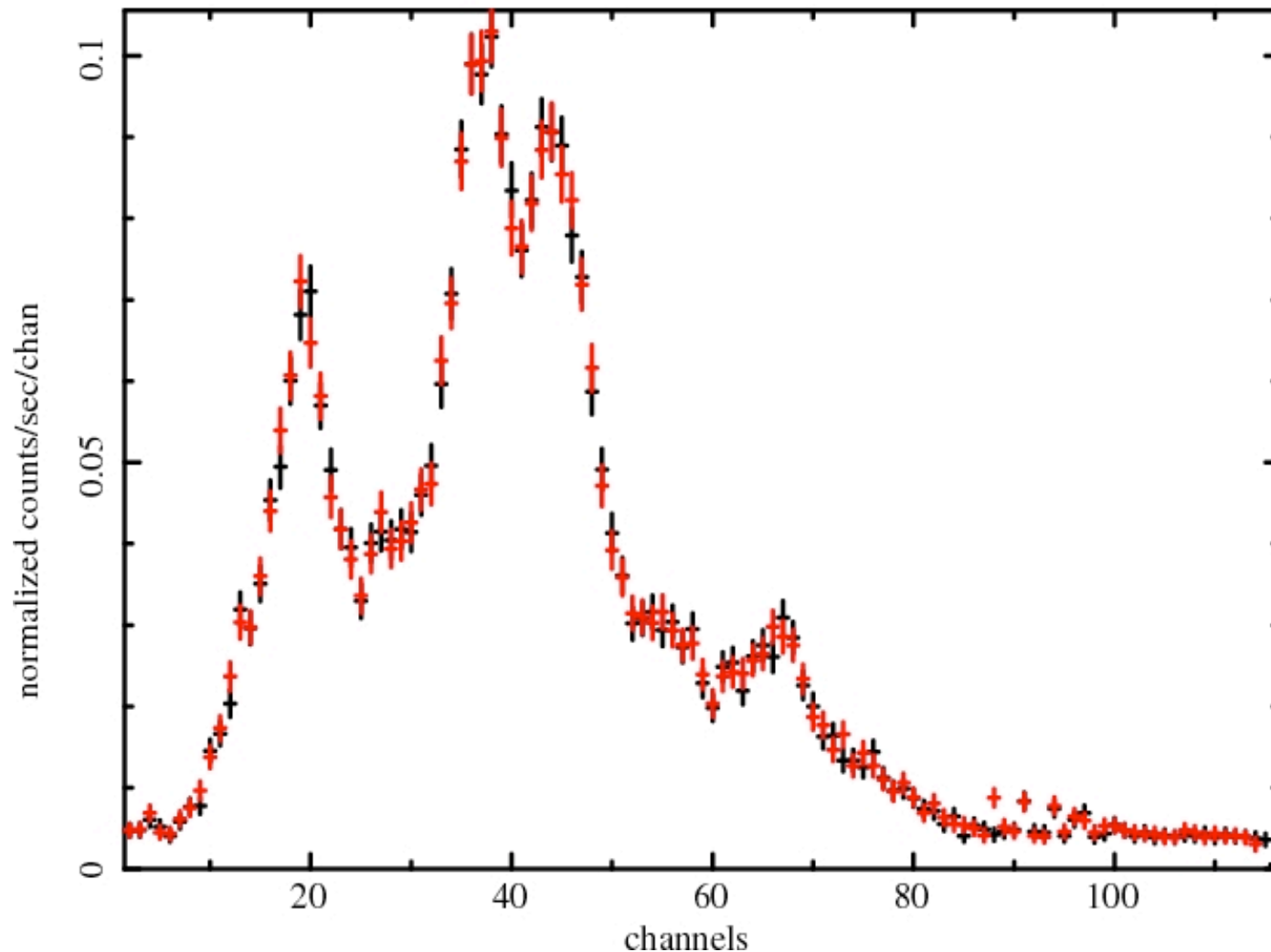
E0102
provides
a test at low
energies

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black: Faint Mode CTI cor | red: Graded Mode CTI cor



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Plan for Implementation

- approved by calibration group for development in next *CIAO* release
- requires a change to **acis_process_events**
- will need to be tested again after **CIAO** implementation
- it is expected to use all other TE Faint mode products, ie: gain, QE, QE uniformity, spectral redistribution function, etc.

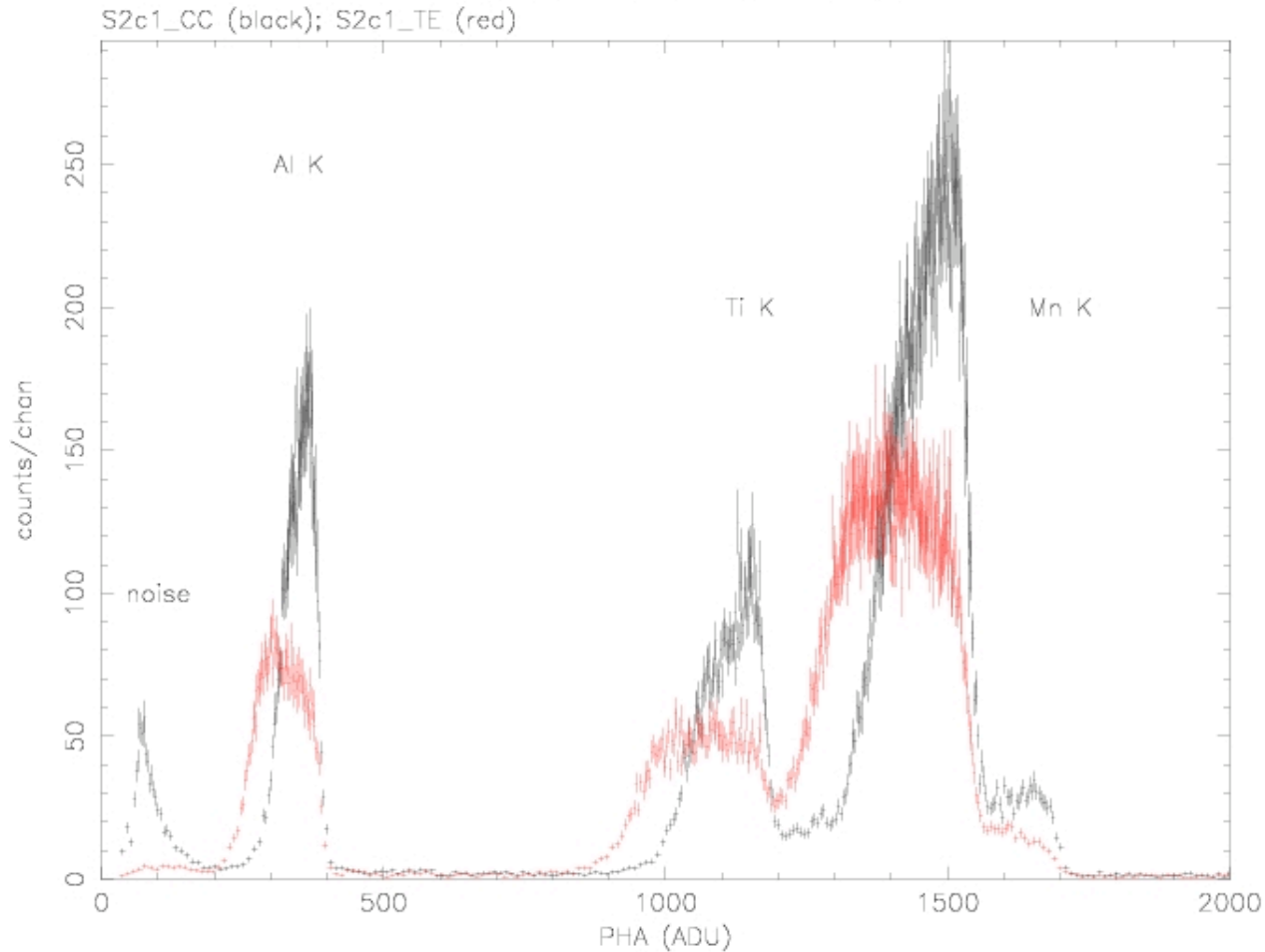


Continuous Clocking vs. Timed Exposure Mode

External Calibration Source: No CTI correction applied

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Uncorrected CC and TE mode data
External Calibration Source, G02346



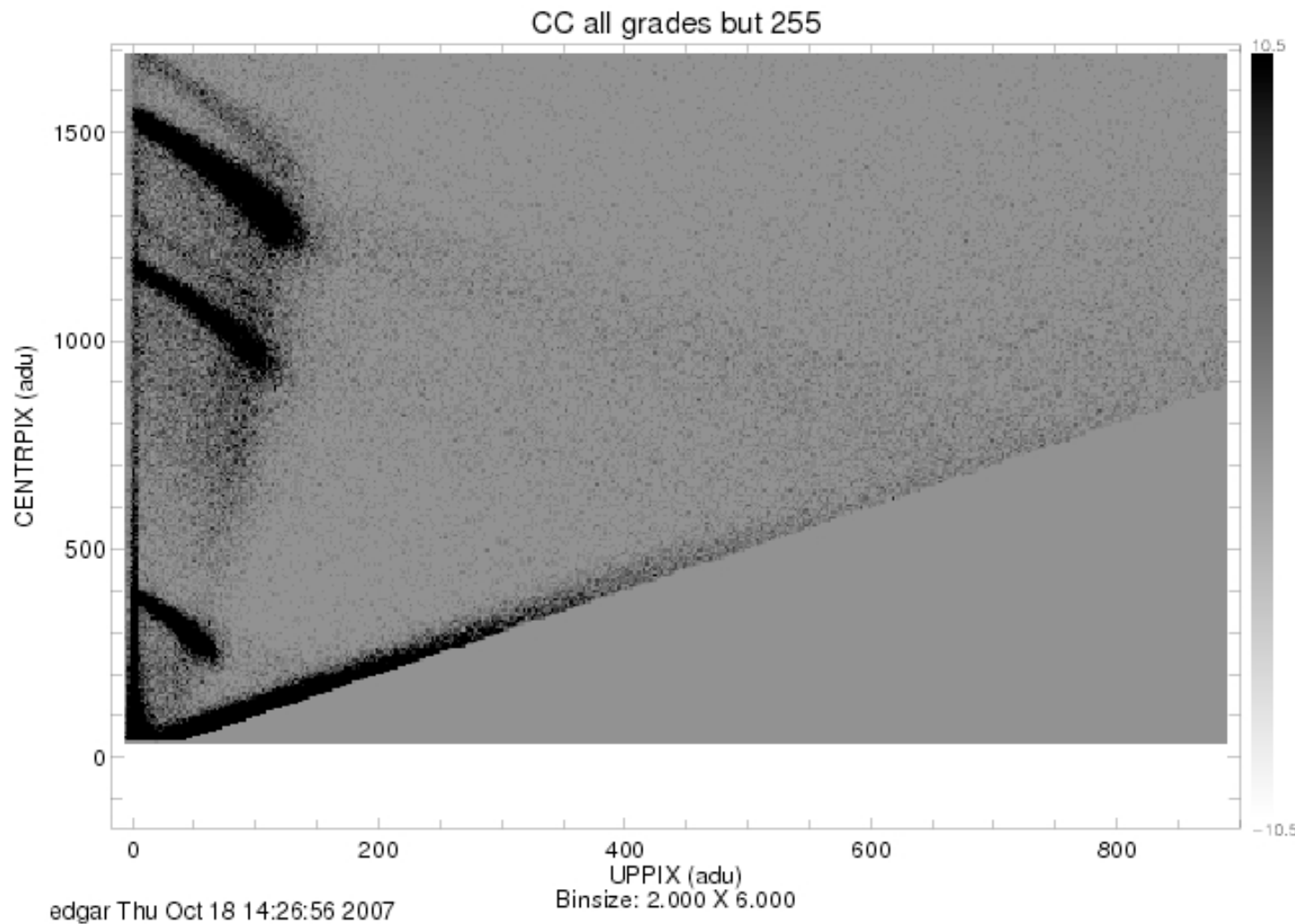
In CC mode:

- row-to-row transfer time is different so the effects of CTI are different (2.85ms vs. 40us)
- resulting spectra are clearly different between the two modes
- don't know the y position of the events, but for some observations you know the y position of the source



Continuous Clocking Mode Charge Distributions

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In CC mode:
-- significantly more charge in the pixel trailing the center of the event
-- some of the traps are re-emitting a large fraction of the charge within 2.85 ms



Continuous Clocking Mode CTI Correction Algorithm

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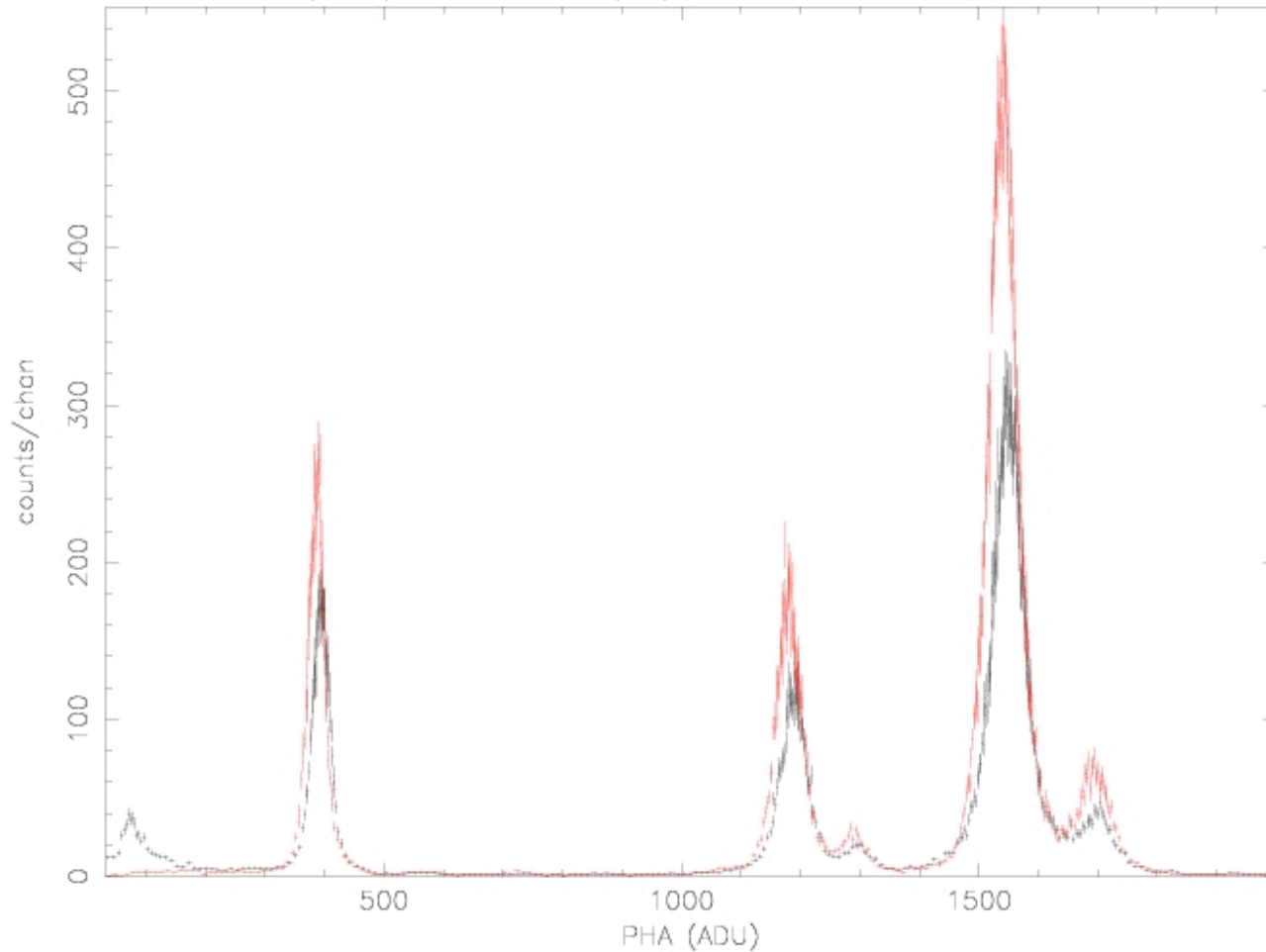
- use the charge in the trailing pixel to estimate how much charge has been lost to CTI
- estimate that for every 1.0 ADUs of charge in trailing pixel that 2.2 ADUs should be added back into the central pixel and 1.0 ADU removed from the trailing pixel
- replace charge up to the maximum of the charge loss (determined by envelope of maximum charge in upper pixel)
- if the trailing pixel is within central pixel - 2X split threshold (26 ADUs) apply no correction
- CC mode has many more flight grade 64 events (vertical splits) and grade 66 events (3 pixels in vertical split)



Continuous Clocking vs. Timed Exposure Mode

Corrected CC and TE mode data
External Calibration Source, G02346

S2c1_CC_corr (black); S2c1_TE_corr (red)



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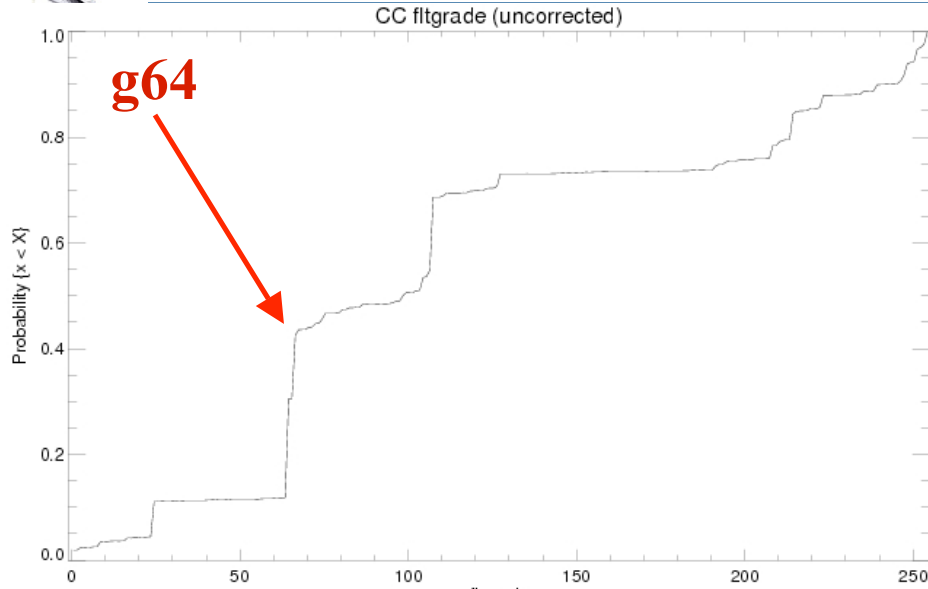
Black - CC mode
with CTI
correction

Red - TE mode
-- small gain shift,
CC > TE
-- resolution looks
comparable



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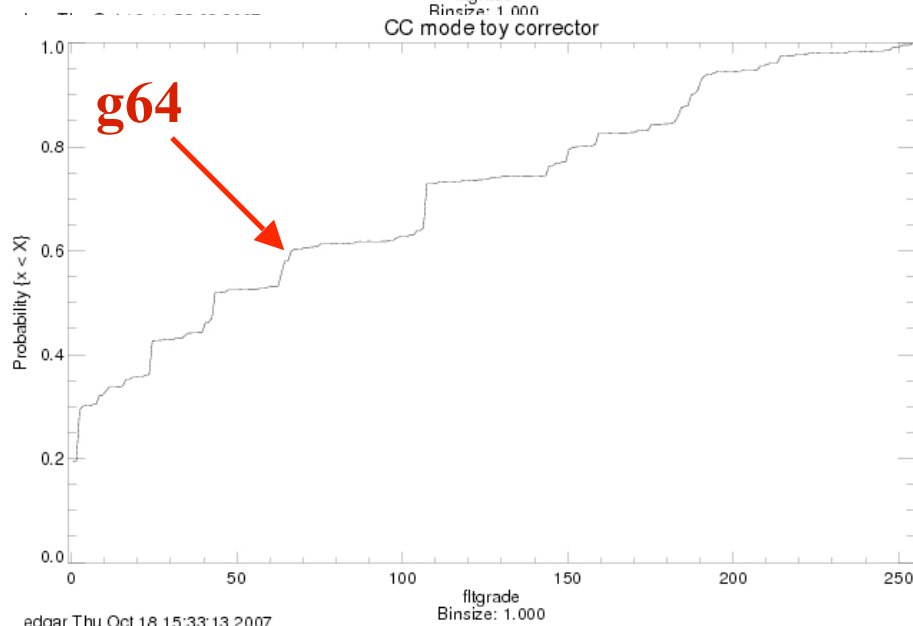
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CC Mode -
Uncorrected,
Large
percentage in
g64 events

Grade
Distributions
in CC Mode

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CC Mode -
CTI
corrected,
Grade
distribution
more similar
to TE mode

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Continuous Clocking Mode Calibration

Open Questions:

- **spectral redistribution function, looks similar to TE mode**
- **gain, small shift needs to be calibrated**
- **QE and QE uniformity**
- **some real X-ray events end up in g66 events which are currently rejected on-board**
- **some “bad” events transform into “good” events**
- **for gratings observations, make use of chipy information from dispersed arms**



Census of ACIS Modes and CTI Correction

<u>Mode</u>	<u>Corrections/Calibrations</u>	
TE Faint	CTI correction for all 10 CCD	} Most commonly used modes
TE Very Faint	CTI correction for all 10 CCD	
TE Graded	Prototype CTI correction for 8 FI CCDs BI CCDs use spatial gain correction	} Used with gratings mostly
CC Faint	Prototype CTI correction for 8 FI CCDs ?? BI CCDs ??	} Timing mode & with gratings
CC Graded	?? Hybrid approach of Vikhlinin graded mode correction and Edgar CC CTI ??	} Used with gratings mostly

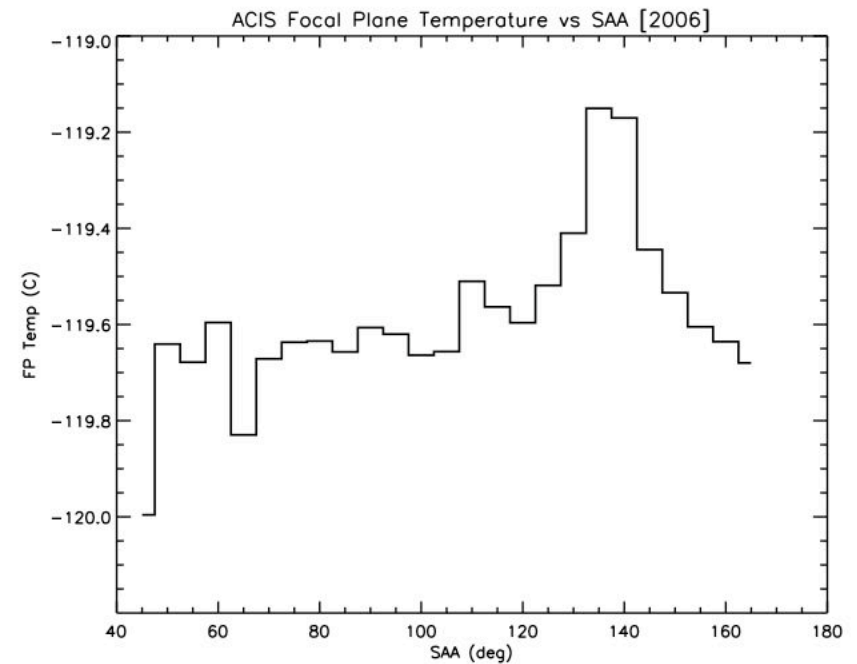
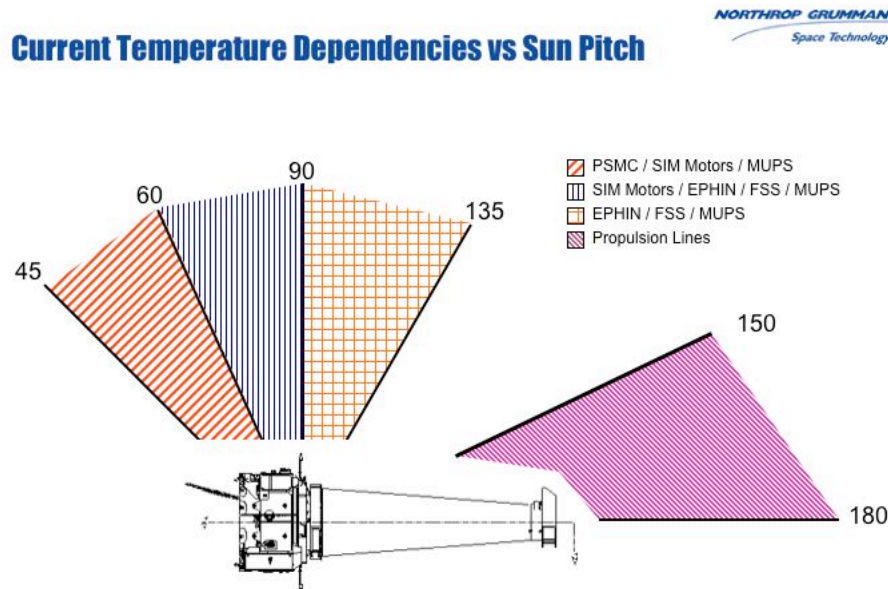


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Focal Plane Operating Temperature

- current operating temperature is -119.7 C
- as the mission has progressed, the frequency and magnitude of deviations from the desired temperature have increased
- it might become necessary to operate at a higher temperature, significant impact for the FI CCDs



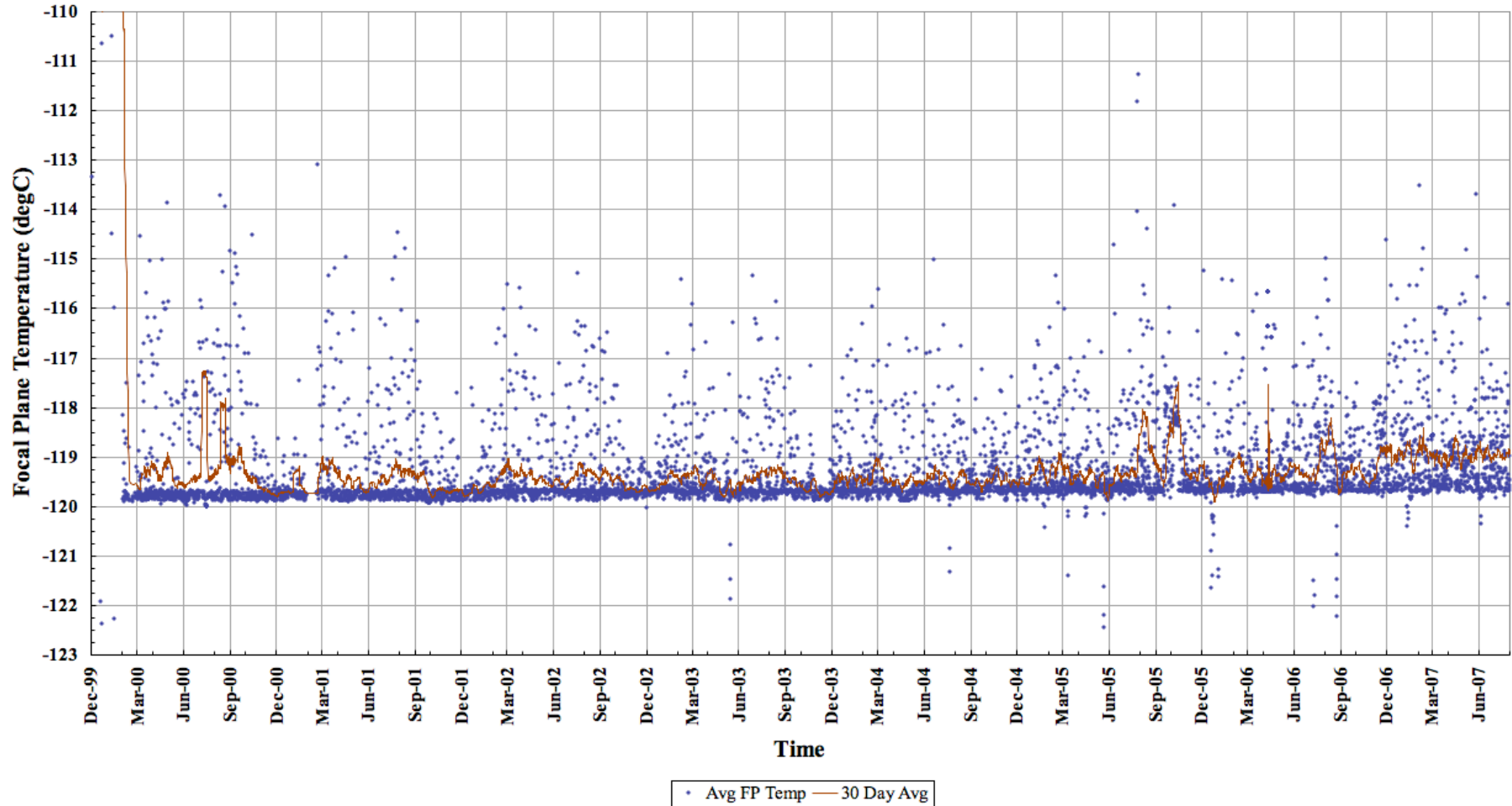


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Focal Plane Temperature Over the Course of the Mission

Blue: 8 hr averages **Red:** 30 day running average **Bissell (NGST)**

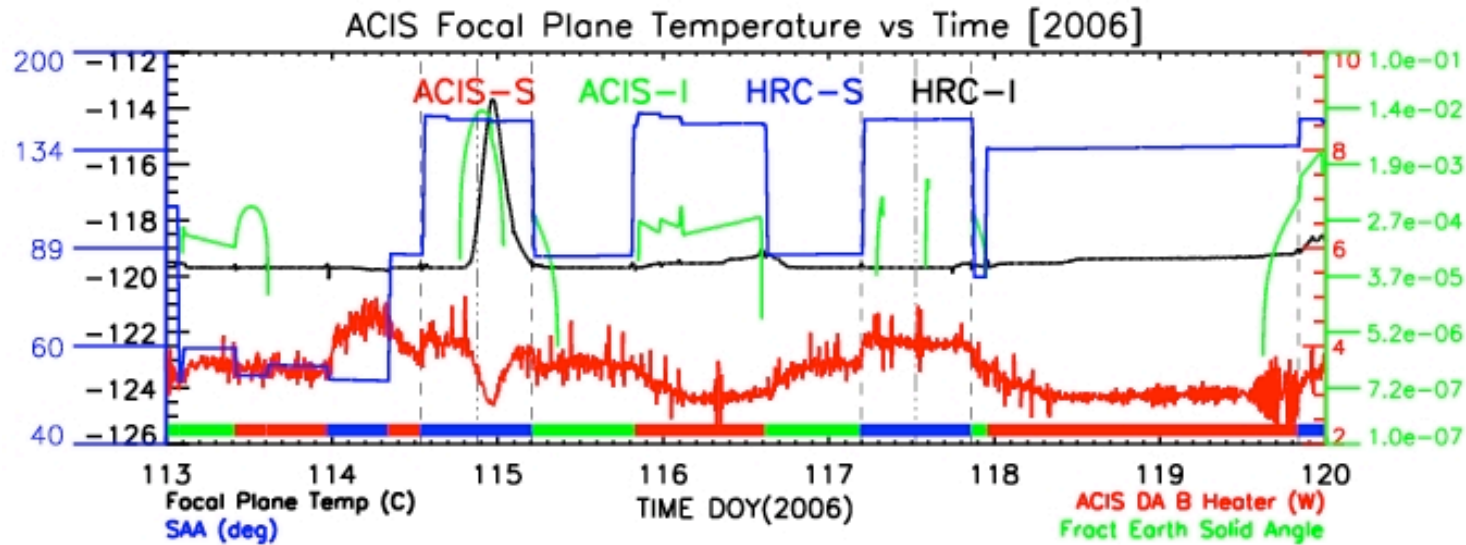




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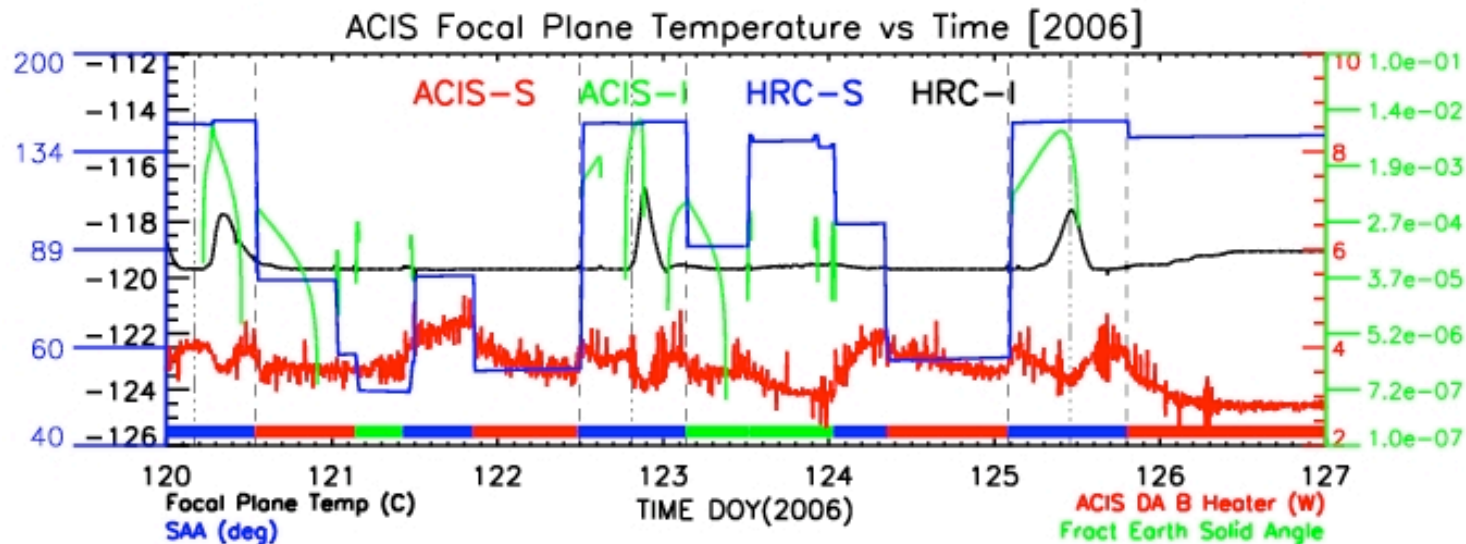
Focal Plane Temperature and Spacecraft Orientation



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Blue: pitch angle

Black: FP temperature



Green: Earth solid angle

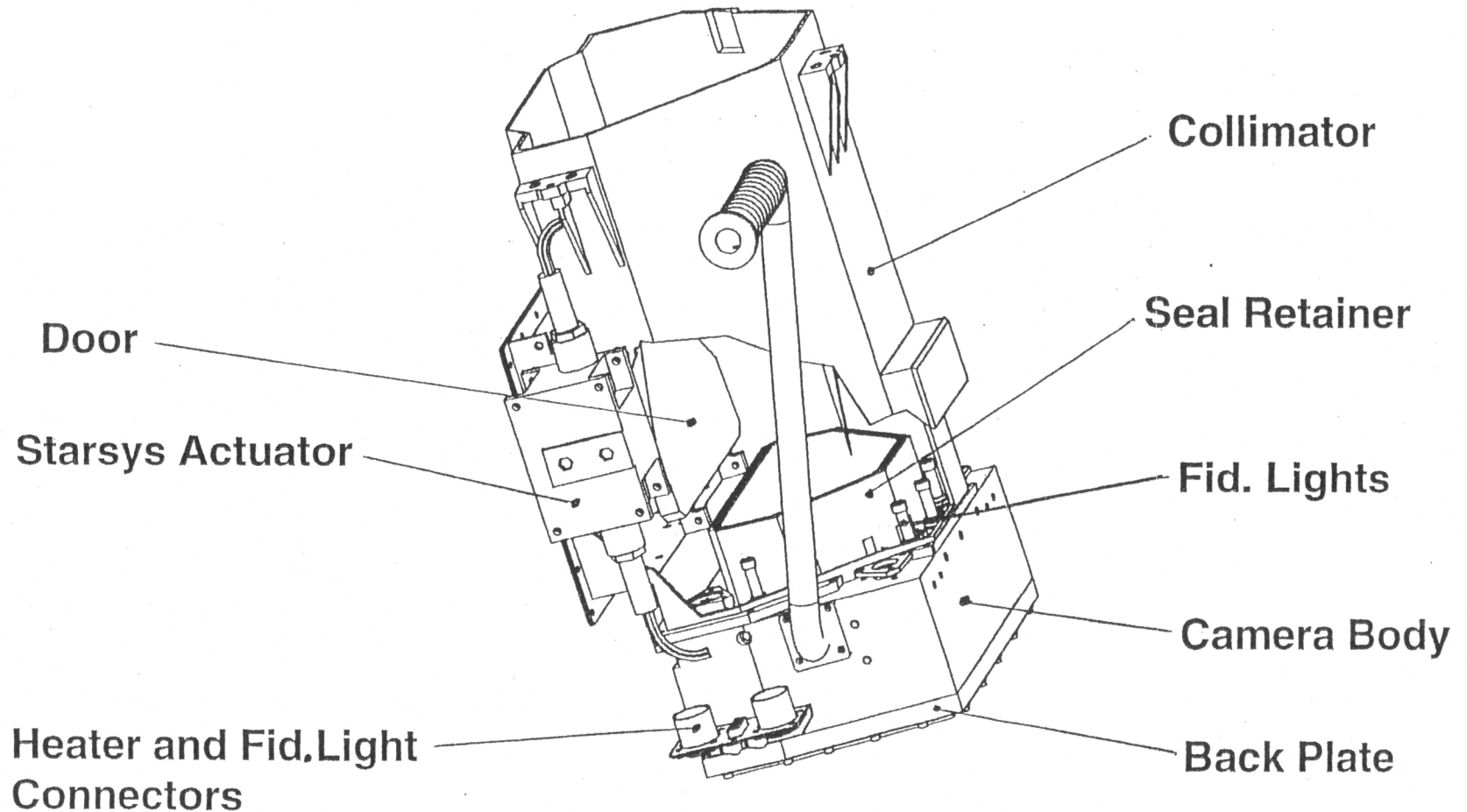
Red: ACIS DH heater power



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ACIS Detector Housing and Camera Body





DH Cooling Tests: Test #1

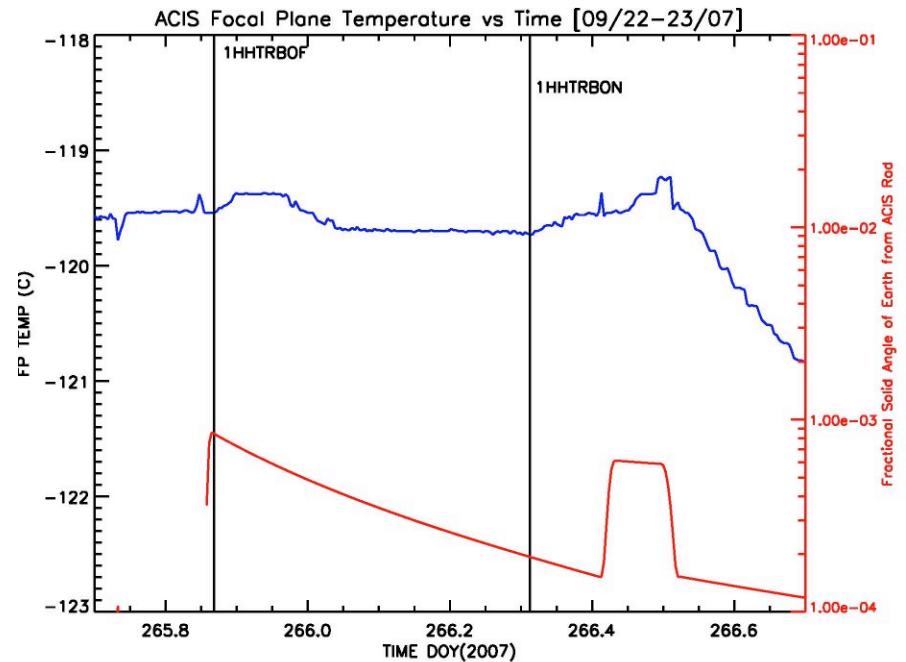
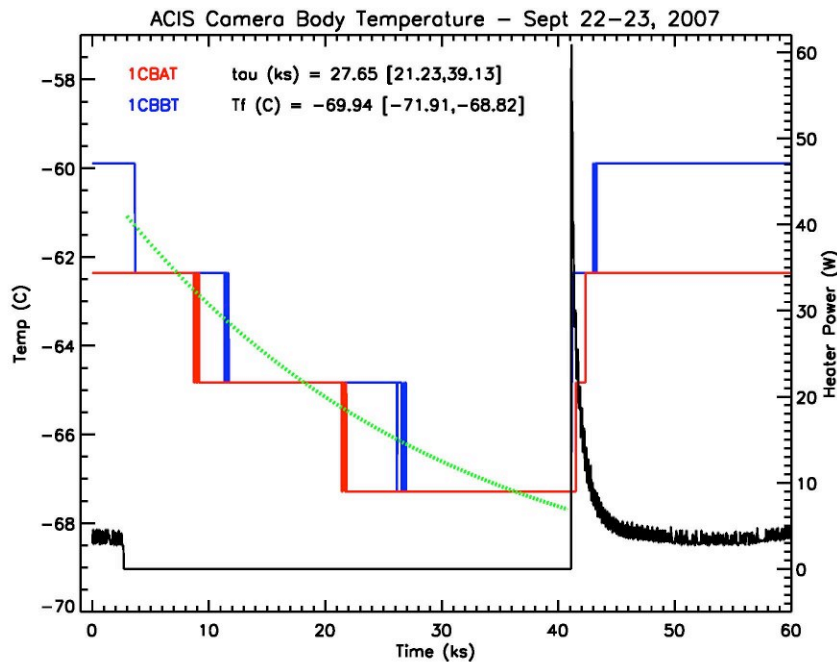
Red: side A Camera Body T

Red: Earth Solid Angle

Blue: side B Camera Body T

Blue: FP Temperature

Black heater power





DH Cooling Tests: Test #2

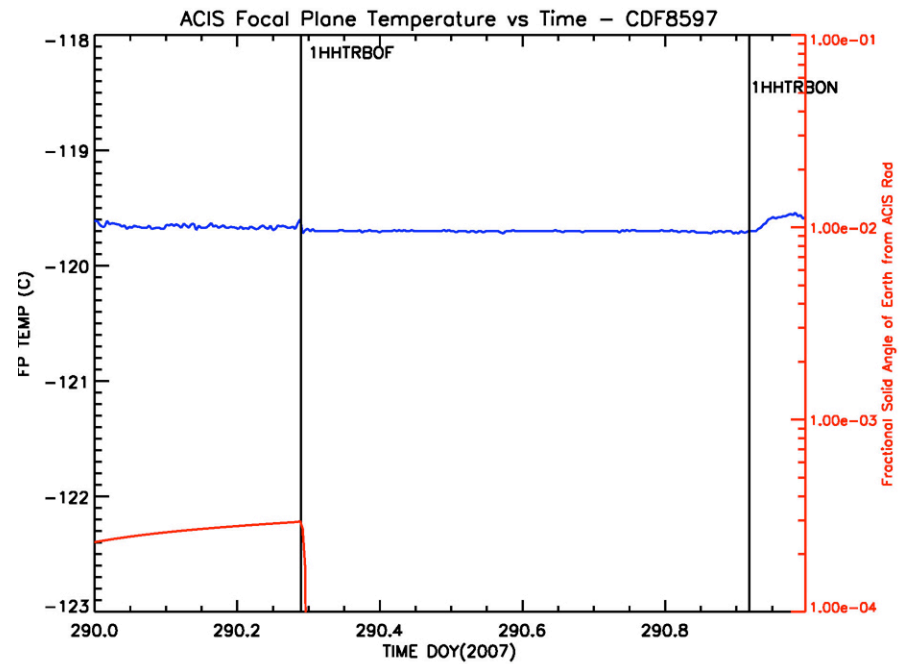
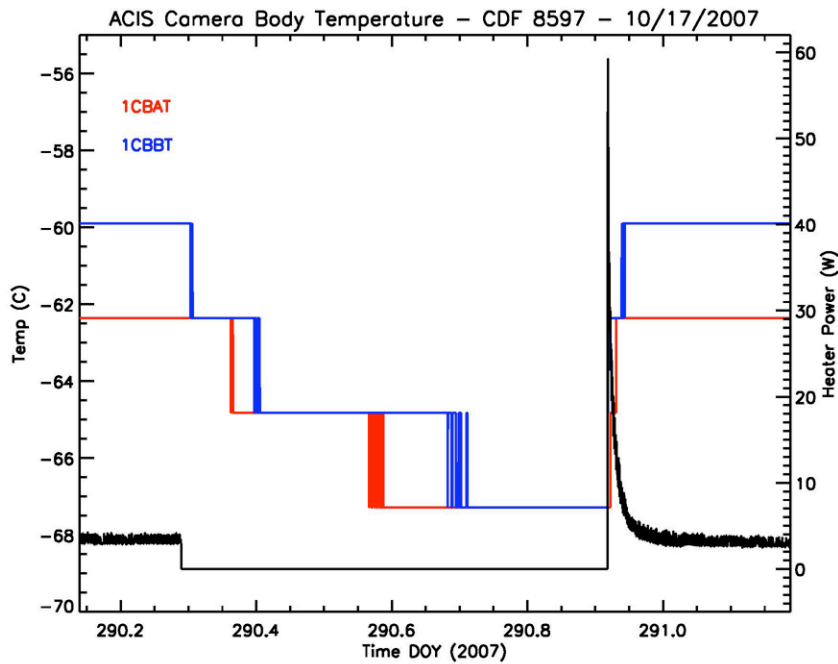
Red: side A Camera Body T

Blue: side B Camera Body T

Black heater power

Red: Earth Solid Angle

Blue: FP Temperature





Motion of Fiducial Lights as the Camera Body T Changes

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**Black -
residuals from
common
motion**

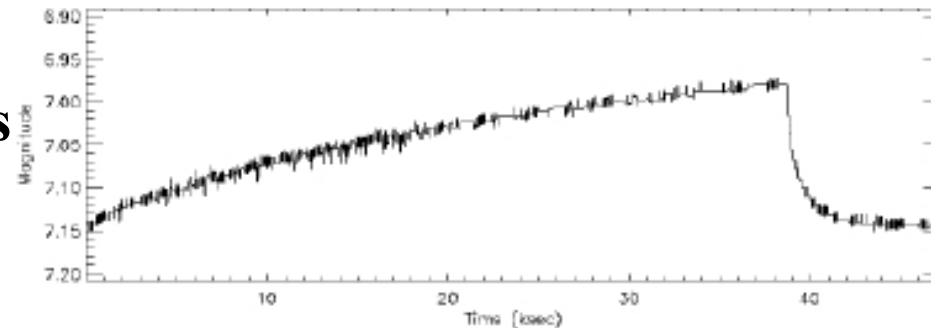
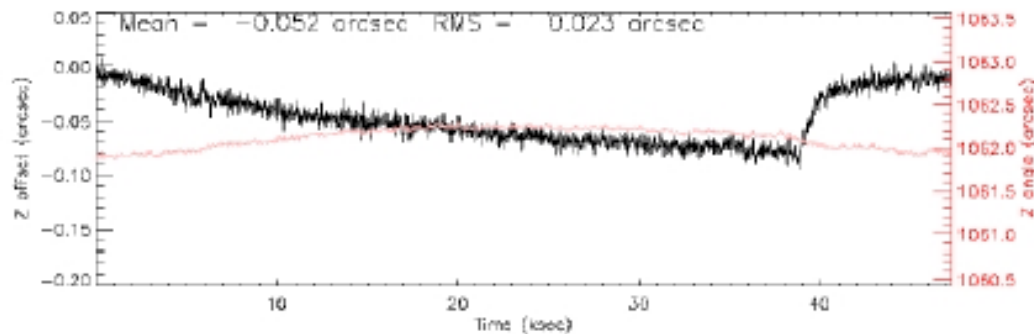
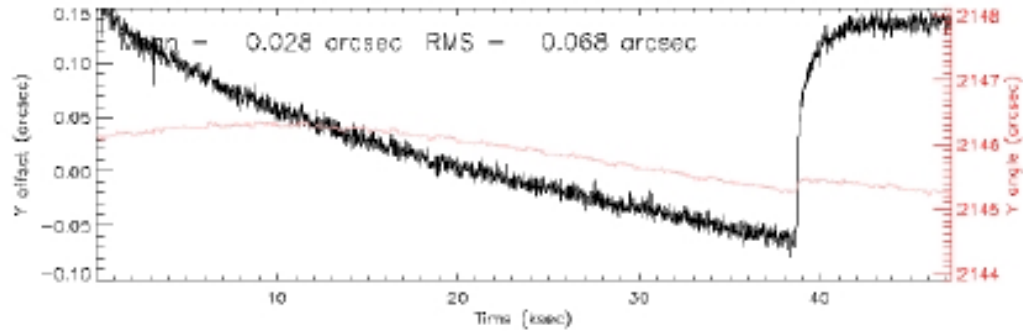
**Red - image
centroids**

Y motion

Z motion

Brightness

***Fid Light
brightness is the
most sensitive
thermometer !***





Focal Plane Operating Temperature: Future Plans

- develop an aspect correction which accounts for motion of Fid Lights during an observation
- implement this correction in the **CIAO** pipelines
- conduct longer tests in colder orientations to determine that the survival heaters turn on as expected and keep ACIS and the Fid Lights in a safe temperature range
- turn off the DH heater for the rest of the mission
- hopefully this will provide many years of a cold (-119.7 C) and stable FP temperature