Cross-calibration status in the 0.5-7 keV

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IACHEC papers

- Galaxy Clusters [Nevalainen et al. 2010, Kettula et al. 2013; Schellenberger et al. 2015]
- G21.5-0.9 [Tsujimoto et al. 2011]
- PKS2155-304/3C273 [Ishida et al. 2011; Madsen et al. 2017]
- 2XMM SOURCES [Read et al. 2014]
- 1E0102-72 [Plucinsky et al. 2017]

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Results







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- History (software/calibration changes from 2010 to 2017)



- Verify the current global status of the effective area cross-calibration in the ~0.5-~7 keV energy band. At which level do IACHEC paper results "tell the same story"?
- disentangling on-axis effective area discrepancies from other effects (→ pure area input to the "concordance project")



Methodology

- 1. Ask the IACHEC Working Groups to reduce spectra with the same version of software and calibrations
- 2. Choose a method (Stacked Residuals Spectra, SRS)
- 3. Choose a reference instrument (EPIC-pn)
- 4. Compare the energy-dependent SRS_{EPIC-pn} produced by each project

Preliminary results are shown here. G21.5-0.9 spectra (and few others) still missing



Stacked Residual Spectra (SRS) method

Longinotti et al., 2008, RMxAC, 32, 62; Read et al., 2014, A&A, 564, 75

[For a given source and astrophysical model ...]

- Choose a reference instrument
- Create the spectrum of the residuals against the best-fit model for the reference instrument
- Create the spectrum of the residuals of each of the other instruments against the reference spectrum best-fit
- Divide the residual spectrum of each instrument by the residual spectrum of the reference spectrum

[Works well as long as there aren't strong gradient in the effective area]



EPIC-pn vs. EPIC-MOS1



Energy (keV)



3C273/PKS2155-304: NuSTAR and XRT

3C273/PKS2155-304 NuSTAR and XRT SRS differ also by ~5%, but *in the opposite direction* to EPIC-MOS*

*[so, it is not EPIC-pn's fault]

XRI



FPMA



EPIC-pn vs. EPIC-MOS2



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In the following plots, the envelope 1E0102-72 SRS *linear best-fit* is shown



SRS: 1E0102-72 vs. smooth continuum sources

Comparison of 1E0102-72 SRS (shadows) with continuum sources



Same energy dependence, 1E0102-72 SRS 5-10% higher



1E0102-72 vs. 3C273 SRS for XIS





Multi-instrument 3C273 SRS



Energy (keV)



Multi-Mission Project (Galaxy clusters, J.Nevalainen)





E>2 keV

Summary SRS (continuum vs. Jukka's MMS)

E<2 keV

- MOS1: flat, ~1.0-1.06
 (1.0-1.05)
- MOS2: flat, ~1.03-1.1
 (1.0-1.05)
- XIS: flat, ~1.00 (0.95-1.05)
- XRT: steep, 0.85 → 1.1 (0.9
 →1.1)

1E0102-72: 5-10% higher than continuum sources

• ACIS: flat (1.1)

- MOS1, moderately steep,
 1.05-1.1 (1.05-1.1)
- MOS2: flat, ~1.05 (1.05)
- NuSTAR: 1.05-1.1 (?)
- XIS: flat: ~1.05 (1.02-1.07)
- XRT: wavy, 1.1-1.2 (1.1)



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- 2. Which sources to use for the concordance project? galaxy clusters (O.K.); 3C273 (O.K.); G21.5-0.9? 3XMM vs. CSC (2XMM, O.K.)? Archival data of scientific coordinated observations?