CZTI calibration data processing

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History

This document describes the steps used in analysis of CZTI ground calibration data, and is intended to be a quickstart manual for intermediate / advanced users.

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 $V\!ersion~2$ Incremental updates after CZTI meeting (10 March 2015)

 $V\!ersion~3$ Added some sections, first complete draft

Version~4~ First circulation–ready version

Part 1 Overview

This document is a summary of the steps used in processing the ground calibration data for the Cadmium Zinc Telluride Imager (CZTI) on board the *Astrosat* satellite. This is not a complete manual for all the software used in this process, and is not meant to be a guide for beginners. Instead, this document is a quick reference point for users who are familiar with the overall scheme, and are interested in specifics of commands.

We start with a overview of the steps in this part. In Part 2 we discuss data reduction, viz. conversion of the raw binary data to FITS files. Part 3 describes conversion of those files into several health and monitoring data products, as well as creation of calibration products. Part 4 provides consolidated information about location and nature of key data products. Finally, Part 5 gives short descriptions of some codes that were not discussed in detail elsewhere in this document.

Commands and filenames are listed in typewriter text in this document. Code snippets or long commands are denoted in code blocks:

sample_command infilename outfilename

Data and code locations are specified in all sections, marked in blue:

All data are located at /data2/cztidata/ on the rohini server.

1.1 Background

The Cadmium Zinc Telluride Imager (CZTI) is a coded aperture mask imaging instrument on board *Astrosat*. It consists of four identical quadrants, each with sixteen CZT modules (detectors). Each of these 64 detectors is a 39.06 mm wide square divided into a 16×16 array of pixels. The central 14 pixels are 2.46 mm wide, while the side pixels are only 2.31 mm.

These detectors underwent extensive ground calibration and testing for characterizing their spectral and imaging response. Calibration data were primarily acquired in TIFR¹ and VSSC². The TIFR data were used for shortlisting modules (detectors) to populate six test quadrants. These modules were then tested further at VSSC to select the final 64 flight modules. Flight modules were calibrated using various radioactive sources (²⁴¹Am, ¹³³Ba, ¹⁰⁹Cd, ⁵⁷Co) at multiple temperatures. They were also subjected to thermal cycling, and compared in a before/after performance analysis. In this document, we restrict ourselves to the data reduction and analysis of these final 64 modules. The results of these calibrations are documented elsewhere.

1.2 Data flow

Raw data is saved in a binary format in the laboratory. This data is uploaded to the rohini server at IUCAA through the garuda network, or through another NKN³ conduit. The raw data is copied to two places: a working directory, and a backup directory. At the time of this writing, final calibration backups are stored in /data2/cztidata/vssc_tar_files on rohini. Redundant backups of the raw as well as processed data are also performed on a separate NAS server at /czti_backup/archive and /czti_backup/vssc_raw_files respectively. A separate document, "Astrosat / CZTI lab data structure" (or filestructure.pdf) describes the convention adopted for file and directory names. For now, it is important to note that file and directory names contain a timestamp. All data processing and analysis leaves the base name of the file untouched, so that it is easy to locate the parent data set for any data product. Attempts are made to keep relevant metadata within data products wherever feasible (eg. Appendix B).

Each contiguous data acquisition without changing operation conditions (temperature, radioactive source, etc) is called a "run". The data set from each run is saved in a separate

¹Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, http://web.tifr.res.in/~daa/XRay.html

²Vikram Sarabhai Space Center, http://www.vssc.gov.in/internet/

³National Knowledge Network

directory. The binary data consists of two types of files: LBT (Low Bitrate Telemmetry) and HBT (High Bitrate Telemetry). These data are first processed by a set of c codes and bash scripts and converted into a standard FITS format (see Part 2, data reduction). The FITS files created in this step are event files (.evt), similar to those used by ftools. These scripts also create various auxillary files, including the .dph (Detector Pulse Histogram) files used for imaging. The data are then processed by a suite of IDL scripts and programs (see Part 3, data analysis). These programs create some machine-readable products (like lists of dead and noisy pixels, fits file with spectra of all pixels in a quadrant, etc) and some human-readable products (PDF plots of module spectra, count maps, etc.). Wherever feasible, key human-readable files are compiled into a reports and saved in another directory. After running the usual scripts, a typical directory structure is as follows:

```
[czti@rohini /data2/cztidata/vssc/FQ0/20140116_FQ0_Am3_20C_4hrs]$ ls -1
alphaveto - Event files for the veto spectrum, and
            allspec.fits.gz files with pixelwise spectra for the full quadrant
          - Main data in event format (.evt)
events
log
          - Logs of test setup and automated processing
          - Plots produced by various analysis codes
plots
          - Intermediate products produced by analysis codes
proc
          - Raw HBT and LBT files saved in laboratory
raw
reports
          - Concise collections of plots produced in batch processing
sci
          - Auxiliary files produced by data reduction software
```

Calibration data are located at /data2/cztidata/vssc on the rohini server.

All codes are under version control on a SVN server running on rohini. Within the IUCAA network, they can be checked out from svn://192.168.11.35/czti.

Part 2 Data reduction

Data reduction is streamlined into a single script, proc_raw2evt. In this part, we first introduce the commands required for processing (§2.1). In practice, the user simply has to cd into the appropriate directory and run the shell script as described in §2.2.

2.1 Basic codes

Conversion of raw data to event files is handled by two programs: rawtolevel1 and scitoevt. rawtolevel1 takes the HBT and LBT files as input, along with "command" and "comment" files. The latter two files are not present in typical lab data, and dummy files are used instead. The code produces a science file (.sci), a housekeeping file (.hk), a time calibration table file (.tct) and updates a log file. In short, this code takes the raw data stream and separates the various functional components from it into separate files. Then, scitoevt is run to convert the separated data frames into fits files. This code creates event files (.evt) for the CZT X-ray data as well as the veto spectra. It also adds headers with Module IDs for all modules present.

c codes for data reduction are under version control at \$SVN/trunk/code/level1.

2.2 proc_raw2evt

To simplify processing, these codes are wrapped into a bash script called proc_raw2evt. This script utilizes the standard filenames and directory structures to call both rawtolevel1 and scitoevt. This script creates output directories as required. The syntax for running this script is simply:

proc_raw2evt

The script is to be executed in the base directory for any data run. It expects that raw data (.HBT and .LBT files) is present in ./raw, and configuration files are present in ./log. In particular, the script checks that the ./log directory contains exactly one testrecords.log file (Appendix A), and exactly one file ending in .config.ini. If these conditions are not met, the script aborts with an appropriate message saved in ./log/proc_raw2evt.log. The script also logs exact commands spawned and their output in the same log file. Another important task for the script is to give read and write permissions to the czti group, which is necessary for cztuser on the algol server to further analyze the data.

The bash scripts for data reduction are under version control at \$SVN/trunk/code/autoproc.

Part 3 Data analysis

The fits files created in data reduction are further analyzed with IDL codes. Typical data analysis for a single quadrant for a single run is done by an IDL command basicproducts. This code internally calls various codes in order to create a allspec.fits.gz file with pixel wise spectra, and various plots and text files with count maps, module and pixel spectra, noisy and dead pixel flagging, pixel-wise count rate plots etc. For processing datasets with multiple quadrant data, similar functionality is provided by the quadprod command. The splitproc code attempted to automatically separate data sets, but was not used in practice due to some issues. Use of that code is now deprecated. In some cases, the operator manually copied the raw data into multiple locations (for example, in the FQO/ and FQ2 directories) and then processed it with basicproducts.

The IDL codes for data reduction are under version control at \$SVN/trunk/code/analysis.

The details of running both codes follow:

3.1 basicproducts

The **basicproducts** command is simple:

basicproducts, '/path/to/directory', fitsext=fitsext

Let us consider data in /data2/cztidata/vssc/FQ0/20140116_FQ0_Am3_20C_4hrs as an example. As the folder name suggests, this has data for FQ0: Flight Quadrant 0. By convention, this data is stored in fits extension 1. In general, data for Quadrant N is stored in fits extension N+1. After going to the directory, the user should start IDL and give the command,

basicproducts, '/data2/cztidata/vssc/FQ0/20140116_FQ0_Am3_20C_4hrs', fitsext=1

First, the code examines the testrecords.log file for determining which detectors are to be analyzed from which files. This is useful for cases where users do not care about data for all modules. In testrecords.log, files may labeled as 'ALL' or 'BG' in order to process all detectors. Then, basicproducts runs the following codes in order:

- 1. alphaveto to convert the event file to pixel-wise spectra. This file is stored as a fits image rather than a binary table, and can be read significantly faster by other codes.
- 2. countmap to create text files that list the counts in each pixel of each module. It also creates PDF plots showing physical distribution and histogram of counts in the module.
- 3. countrate to generate plots showing the count rate of each pixel in the module as a function of time
- 4. noisydead to create text files listing dead and noisy pixels. It also creates a plot showing location of the dead and noisy pixels.
- 5. modspec to generate the spectrum of the entire module. *Note that no gain-offset correction is applied at this stage!* Both: a text file containing the spectrum and a PDF plot of the spectrum are created.
- 6. pixspec to create a PDF showing plots of pixel-wise spectra, 16 pixels per page.

All the plots are saved in the plots/ subdirectory, while all text files are saved in the proc/ subdirectory. The base name of the input raw file is retained, and extensions like .counts00.pdf or .spec13.txt are added. The text files have comments at the top which describe the necessary metadata regarding input files and any free parameters used in the code (Appendix B). Comment lines begin with a #. After all this processing is complete for all modules, basicproducts spawns a shell command to combine related PDFs into a single PDF in the reports/ subdirectory. A separate report is produced for each file which has 'ALL' or 'BG' as its testrecords.log entry. All the support codes called by basicproducts are under version control at \$SVN/trunk/code/analysis.

3.2 quadprod

Most of calibration data sets consist of combined data for multiple quadrants. However, each quadrant usually had a different radioactive source, so that data analysis should still be done on a per-quadrant basis. The usual command thus excludes the fits extension:

```
quadprod, '/path/to/directory'
```

This functionality is provided by quadprod, short for quadrant products. Functionally, quadprod is similar to basicproducts — it runs several standard processing steps for each quadrant in the data file. First, the code checks for the presence of a ./log/testrecords.log file, although contents of that file are not used in further processing. A short logfile is created at ./log/quadprod.log. The following codes are then run for each of the four quadrants:

- 1. alphaveto to convert the event file to pixel-wise spectra. This file is stored as a fits image rather than a binary table, and can be read significantly faster by other codes.
- 2. countmap to create text files that list the counts in each pixel of each module. It also creates PDF plots showing physical distribution and histogram of counts in the module.
- 3. modspec to generate the spectrum of the entire module. Note that no gain-offset correction is applied at this stage! Both: a text file containing the spectrum and a PDF plot of the spectrum are created.
- 4. **procpix** to fit a line to each pixel spectrum, log the best fit parameters, and plot pixel-wise spectra with line fit overlaid.

Unlike basicproducts, quadprod does not run countrate and noisydead. This decision was taken as four-quadrant data were usually obtained as shorter integrations and noisier operating conditions. Manual inspection of count rate plots was infeasible due to high data volume, and noisy/dead flags were unreliable due to the operating conditions.

The other difference is that pixspec is replaced by the more advanced procpix program. Here, quadprod tries to parse the input filename to figure out if the source is one of ²⁴¹Am, ¹³³Ba, ¹⁰⁹Cd, or ⁵⁷Co. If none of the source names matches, then quadprod instructs procpix to search for the strongest line⁴ above channel 800 (~ 39 keV), with $\sigma \approx 45$ channels (≈ 2.2 keV, FWHM ≈ 5.2 keV).

The user can override these defaults. For example, the command to search for lines above channel 400, with $\sigma \approx 30$ channels is:

```
quadprod, '/path/to/directory', linepos= -400, linesig=30
```

If linepos is positive (eg linepos=1200), then procpix searches for a line centered at that channel.

As with basicproducts, all the plots are saved in the plots/ subdirectory, while all text files are saved in the proc/ subdirectory. The base name of the input raw file is retained, and extensions like .Qo.counts00.pdf or .Q3.spec13.txt are added. Note that the extensions now contain a quadrant ID too. The text files have comments at the top which describe the necessary metadata regarding input files and any free parameters used in the code. Comment lines begin with a #. After all this processing is complete for all modules, quadprod spawns a shell command to combine related PDFs into a quadrant-wise PDFs in the reports/ subdirectory.

The support codes called by quadprod are under version control at \$SVN/trunk/code/analysis.

⁴Specifically, the code looks for the channel with maximum counts.

Part 4 Data products

In this section, we discuss more advanced data products, usually those that are made by combining data from several runs.

4.1 Dead-noisy lists

For each individual run, a list of dead and noisy pixels is created by **basicproducts** (Section 3.1). Dead pixels are defined as pixels with zero counts, and noisy pixels are 5- σ outliers to the distribution of counts in pixels. These lists calculated for individual runs were all collated and compared to produce master lists. The processing is done using two IDL codes, dead_list and noisy_list, as described below.

4.1A Dead lists

Dead pixel lists are collated by running dead_list as follows:

dead_list, dirfile='filelist.txt', fm='FM2'

Here, dirfile is simply a list of directories (runs) to be processed. Each line in dirfile should be the top level directory of a run (Section 1.2), with subdirectories like log and proc where the dead and noisy pixel lists reside.

```
Master lists of dead pixels are saved at /data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/dead_lists on the rohini server.
```

The output file lists all pixels which were dead in every single test of that module.

4.1B Noisy lists

Noisy pixel lists can be generated in a similar format by running noisy_list.pro⁵. However, this process was superseded by the noisy_props code. nosiy_props accepts contextual inputs like quadrant name and temperature to locate all files satisfying those conditions. If the temperature is not specified, noisy_props collates data from all temperatures. In addition, wildcard-like data types can be specified to narrow down the data selection: for example, specifying dtype='hr' will select only folders like 20140118_FQ0_Cd_20C_4hrs but not 20140118_FQ0_Cd_20C_stabilization or 20140118_FQ0_Cd_20C_warmup. These keywords eliminate the need for first creating a text file listing the directories to be processed.

```
Master lists of noisy pixels are saved on the rohini server at
/data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/noisystats/codebased/allquad and
/data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/noisystats/codebased/FQ*.
```

noisy_props generates several subdirectories in the directory which it is run. Each temperature and quadrant combination gets a subdirectory of the type ./FQ0/15C or ./FQ2/alltemp. Each subdirectory contain various files:

```
: List of pixels which were noisy in all files
alltime noisv.txt
                        : Pixels noisy > 75% of the
frequently_noisy.txt
                                                     time
occassionally_noisy.txt : Noisy in 25% - 75% cases
often_noisy.txt
                        : Noisy in < 25% cases
once_noisy.txt
                        : Noisy only once
                        : Summary of number of noisy pixels in all modules
histogram.txt
noisystats_??.pdf
                        : Plot of how often individual pixels were noisy
noisystats_??.txt
                        : List of how often individual pixels were noisy
```

 $^{^{5}}$ Results from this processing are saved on the **rohini** server in the directory

[/]data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/noisystats/codebased/all_time_noisy. Note that these are superseded by noisy_props data products.

Detailed help can be obtained by typing "noisy_props, /help". A typical noisy_props command is of the form.

noisy_props,basedir='/data2/cztidata/vssc/',quadname='FQ0',temp='20C'

4.2 Flickering pixels

Flickering pixels were identified by visual inspection of diagnostic plots produced by the IDL program countrate. Machine-readable lists of these flickering pixels have the following format:

```
#Module no, no of noisy pixels, pixel list
#Q0:
00,5,0,31,64,143,176
01,0
02,1,16
03,1,14
04,3,1,2,16
05,4,48,80,143,208
06,0
07,1,239
08,1,128
09,7,64,94,126,141,205,207,223
10,1,227
11,2,175,241
12,5,79,173,189,206,244
13,14,9,30,34,36,50,61,63,155,171,224,228,235,251,252
14,7,5,111,156,171,186,187,250
15,12,1,30,46,47,62,63,93,169,171,190,237,242
#01:
00,3,49,55,185
01,0
```

For example, the line for FQ0 Module 2 is 02,1,16, which says that only 1 pixel is flickering, and that is pixel number 16. On the other hand, the line 01,0 means that module 1 did not have any flickering pixels.

Two lists of flickering pixels, before and after the thermovac tests are saved on the rohini server at /data2/cztidata/vssc/thermovac/stability/flickering_list_20140611.txt and flickering_list_20150116.txt.

These files were used in stability comparisons with plotrates.pro located in the same directory, and referred to in Section 4.6.

4.3 Spectroscopically bad pixels

Secondly, pixel-wise spectra were visually inspected for a large number of data sets, and any peculiarities were noted. These include noise at low energies, missing lines, etc. Detailed reports of this inspection are saved in PDF reports with names of the form FQ1_vispix.pdf.

```
Detailed reports of visual pixel inspection are saved on the rohini server at
/data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/vispix/FQn/FQn_vispix.pdf. Machine-readable lists of pixel
quality are saved with files named of the form
/data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/vispix/FQ1/15C/FQ1_mod02_15C.vispix.txt.
```

A sample machine-readable pixel report file, FQ1_modO2_15C.vispix.txt, is reproduced here:

```
# visual inspection list
# FQ1 Det02 15C
sometimes_weird
sometimes_sup_peak
```

```
sometimes_bad_en_resol 12 112
sometimes_low_en_noise 14
sometimes_noisy
weird 11
sup_peak
bad_en_resol
low_en_noise 0 1 8 9 15
noisy
```

The same directories also contain PDF maps showing the characteristics of each pixel at each temperature. We caution that some characteristics of pixels may not be reproducible even at the same temperature.

4.4 Gain-offset calculation

Gain and offset calculations are done in two steps. In the first step, we calculate an approximate value of gain and offset with the gainoffset code, using 241 Am (59.54 keV) and 57 Co (122.06 keV) lines. These values are then refined by fitting to all usable data sets with the linearity.

4.4A gainoffset

The gainoffset code finds the strongest peak above a certain channel number in ²⁴¹Am and ⁵⁷Co data, fits Gaussian line profiles (with a fitline-like procedure, see Section 5.3) and calculates gain and offset from these peaks. Gain and offset relate energy to channels by Equation 1:

$$Energy = Channels \times Gain + Offset$$
(1)

A typical gainoffset command is:

```
gainoffset, detid=2, $
fitsfile1="file1-Am-allspec.fits.gz", line1=59.54, chcut1=-700, lwidth1=40.9, $
fitsfile2="file2-Co-allspec.fits.gz", line2=122.06, chcut2=-1600, lwidth2=45.6, $
gainfile="gainfile-gainoffset.txt", plotgain="plotgain-gainoffset.pdf"
```

where the code will look for a line1 = 59.54 keV (²⁴¹Am) line above |chcut1|, viz above channel 700. It expects the nominal σ of the line to be 40.9 channels — this value is used to select the fitting region as well as the starting guess for the fit. Similar parameters are specified for the ⁵⁷Co file. Outputs are saved as a text file in gainfile-gainoffset.txt, with plots saved to plotgain-gainoffset.pdf.

In practice, a user will usually want to run gain-offset calculations for all temperature data for an entire quadrant in one shot. This is facilitated by the IDL routine goAmCo. To process FQ3 data, the command is:

goAmCo, quad=3

This routine outputs data products in the default location given below:

First pass calculations of gain and offset are saved in /data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/go_AmCo on the rohini server. NOTE: most users should not need to access these files, see Section 4.4B about

NOIL: most users should not need to access these files, see Section 4.4B about linearity calculations.

4.4B linearity

Calibration data has been acquired for several sources: 241 Am (59.54 keV), 57 Co (122.06 keV, 136.47 keV), 109 Cd (21.0 keV, 88.06 keV) and 133 Ba (30.97 keV, 81.0 keV). We use the two-point gain and offset values calculated in Section 4.4A as starting point to fit a straight line through all known lines in all available data sets for every module at every temperature. Apart

from calculating refined gain and offset values, linearity produces several useful by-products including plots of fits for each pixel, residuals for each pixel, maximum non-linearities for each pixel, etc. Since several input files are used, linearity requires a filelist in a text file, specifying the following parameters:

<pre># This file is called filelist_sample.txt</pre>							
# filename	module_num	energy(kev)	<pre>1sigma_linewidth(channels)</pre>				
file_am.Q2.allspec.fits.gz	06	59.56	60.0				
file_co.Q1.allspec.fits.gz	05	122.0	120.0				
<pre>file_co.Q1.allspec.fits.gz</pre>	05	136.0	130.0				

Note that module number is required on each line as some modules were relocated during final assembly. In the example above, we are calculating data for a module which was mounted in Quadrant 2 at position 6 while acquiring ²⁴¹Am data, but moved to FQ1 position 5 while acquiring ⁵⁷Co data. linearity checks module IDs wherever available⁶ to ensure that data for the same module are being used throughout the calculation. A minimal call to linearity would be of the form,

```
linearity, /allspec, filelist='filelist_sample.txt', $
gainfile='twopoint_gainoffset.txt', outgainfile='new_gainoffset.txt'
```

linearity has several other options, which can be found by typing "linearity, /help". This code carries out extensive computation and can take a while to run. This can be a serious handicap for processing data of all 64 flight modules at six temperatures each. This task is simplified by the wrapper routine, linearity_run. This routine runs linearity calculations for a given quadrant at all temperatures. Using this code needs that filelists for all modules are already present at predefined default locations. A typical call is of the form,

linearity_run, quadrant=1

Final values of gain and offset are saved in /data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/gainoffset on the rohini server.

4.5 Gain–offset corrected spectra

A useful data product for any further analysis is gain-offset corrected spectra. The IDL code modspec⁷ can be used to generate such spectra on demand. modspec has several useful options like applying pixel-wise gain-offset corrections, selecting the pixels with best energy resolution etc. A typical data product needed for further analysis is a spectrum for each {Module, Source, Temperature} combination. As these are intended for spectroscopic analyses rather than imaging, we select only the best 90% of the pixels in each module⁸ for making a combined spectrum. Such spectra were produced for all test sources (²⁴¹Am, ¹³³Ba, ¹⁰⁹Cd and ⁵⁷Co) by using the go_corr_mod.pro routine in \$SVN/trunk/code/analysis. The spectra are saved as text files with comment lines (#) containing metadata, followed by two space-separated columns listing energy and counts.

Text files and plots containing gain-offset corrected spectra for calibration data are saved at /data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/go_corr_spec on the rohini server. It contains subdirectories of the form FQ?/??C/, containing individual spectral files with names like FQ0_mod01_ID05051_00C_Cd.go_corr_spec.txt.

⁶For instance, all .allspec.fits files have module IDs in their headers.

⁷Some details about modspec are given in Section 5.8.

 $^{^{8}}$ We define the best pixels as ones having the sharpest 241 Am lines at that temperature.

4.6 Module stability tests

We examined pre- and post-thermovac data for all quadrants to look for change in the number of dead/noisy pixels, and found a marginal increase in their numbers. We also compared module-level spectra in these two data sets, and found that the spectral characteristics do not vary significantly (Figure 1). Note that more detailed comparisons were performed using perfcom, discussed in detail in Section 5.7.



Figure 1: Comparison of pre- and post-thermovac spectral characteristics with tvac_prepost_spec.

The IDL code for comparing noisy/dead pixels is plotrates.pro. The code and data products are both located at /data2/cztidata/vssc/thermovac/stability on the rohini server. The code for spectral comparisons is located at \$\$VN/trunk/users/varunb/tvac_prepost_spec.pro

Part 5 Codes

Some of the IDL codes used in data analysis are listed above. A complete listing of IDL codes is given in Appendix C. Help for most of the codes can be obtained by simply calling them with a /help flag, like:

countmap, /help

Here, we describe some of the codes which have not already been touched upon in Part 3.

5.1 alphaveto

The alphaveto code reads event files, and converts them into pixel-wise spectra. The spectra are saved as 4096×4096 FITS images, with one row per pixel denoting the 4096 spectral channels. Output files are named as *.allspec.fits, and are usually compressed with gzip if alphaveto was called by basicproducts. These *.allspec.fits files have 4 extensions, corresponding to values of the alpha flag and the veto level in data. The four extensions are described in the help below:

```
alphaveto.pro, Varun Bhalerao, 2015-01-23
                1.40000
Version :
SVN Revision : $Rev: 464 $
----- Documentation for ./alphaveto.pro -----
pro alphaveto
   INPUTS:
                        : (string) input .evt file
        infile
                                   FITS extension number to read. Default=1
        fitsext
                         : (int)
                         : (string) REQUIRED name of output fits file
        alphaveto
                           containing pixel-wise spectra as follows:
                           Ext 0 : full spectra
                           Ext 1 : alpha = 1, any veto
                          Ext 2 : alpha = 0, veto > vth
                          Ext 3 : alpha = 0, veto <= vth
                                    Threshold for veto
        vth
                          (int)
                           Default: 50.
        /help
                         : display this message and exit
        pixid = module_id * 256 + pixel_number
```

5.2 apixmap

apixmap is the generic code that produces all the pixel maps seen in CZTI analysis products. It can be run in two ways: *list* mode and *counts* mode.

5.2A List mode

apixmap is run in list mode to show graphically different types of pixels, like dead and noisy pixels. It is called with a $3 \times N$ array that denotes types of the pixels, and a legend with names of each type. A sample output is shown in Figure 2.

The essential command for generating output like Figure 2 is as follows:

```
apixmap, [[0,0,0], [11,0,0], [13,9,0], [2,12,0], [1,15,0], [11,11,1]], $
legend=['Dead', 'Noisy'], colors=[64,252], filename='sample.pdf', $
title='Dead/noisy pixels in detector 0 in somefile', $
subtitle='5 Dead pixels (5.0-sigma), 1 Noisy pixels (5.0-sigma)'
```

Colours are taken from the rainbow colortable, loaded with loadct, 13. Other documentation for list mode is:



Figure 2: List mode output of apixmap.

```
apixmap.pro, Varun Bhalerao, 2013-10-03
Version :
              1.13000
SVN Revision : $Rev: 405 $
----- Documentation for ./apixmap.pro -----
aim: take pixel list with colours, and make a plot.
make a table on the right with titles and the actual list
 plot type:
 0,0
   _ _
   1
     R
                         R
                   1
       R
                         3, 1
                         5, 2
                         G
                          6,13
          G
   1
                15,15
 Usage:
 pixelmap, pixlist, legend=legend, colors=colors, noaxes=noaxes, $
                filename=filename, title=title, subtitle=subtitle
        pixlist: 3*n array, with entries of type [[col,row,type], [col,row,type]]
                type must be from 0 to some number K
                pixlist need not be sorted in any order
                for int array, pixlist = transpose([[intarr mod 16], [intarr/16],
     [replicate(0, n_elements(intarr))]])
        /shortlegend: Only give legend names, don't list pixels in the table
        colors: K element array, with color indices from the RAINBOW color table
                default colors are alloted if this is not specified
        /noaxes:do not overlay a light grid of pixels
        title : string to be displayed at top of plot
subtitle: string to be displayed at bottom of plot
        footer : string to be put in lower right corner in smaller font
                (usually for program name, version etc)
        filename: '/path/to/output.pdf'
        /help: display this message
```

5.2B Counts mode

When called in *counts mode*, apixmap produces a pixel map on the left, and a histogram of counts on the right. This mode has relevant keywords to control the data limits of the histogram and so on. To demonstrate counts mode, we create an array of 256 random numbers (mean=0, sigma=1) and plot it to 'sample.pdf'.

```
apixmap, counts=randomn(seed, 256), dtype='Random number', $
countmin=-2, countmax=2, /saturate, filename='sample.pdf'
```

The result is shown in Figure 3. Note how the histogram is limited to the range [-2, 2]. Pixels like B12 which had < 2 counts are shown white. Pixels with > 2 (> countmax) counts are shown with black hashing due to the /saturate flag.



Figure 3: Counts mode output of apixmap.

The title, subtitle etc can be specified as in *list mode*. The granularity of the histogram can be controlled by numbin and binsize keywords, where binsize overrides the former.

5.3 fitline

This code fits a Gaussian to a line seen in spectra. The input spectrum is usually specified as a space-separated two-column text file with channel_number and counts, like the files produced by modspec. Alternately, the input file may be a .evt file—in which case fitline extracts the spectrum of a user-specified pixel in a user-specified detector. The fitting proceeds as follows:

- 1. User specifies a nominal line energy (linepos) and nominal one-sigma resolution (linesig).
- 2. fitline selects a spectrum in the range [linepos-3×linesig, linepos+3×linesig].
- 3. The centroid (calculated by centroid.pro) of this part of the spectrum is used as the starting guess for line center.
- 4. Only data within -1σ to $+2\sigma$ of this starting guess is used for fitting a Gaussian line profile. This final fitting range can be controlled by the fitlow and fithigh parameters. The default values -1 and +2 were selected on the basis of testing various ranges, to utilize

maximum counts for fitting the profile without being contaminated by the background or X-ray tailing.

fitline returns the line center, sigma and area; with corresponding uncertainties. It can also produce a PDF plot in a user-specified file. Detailed parameters for fitline are:

```
fitline.pro, Varun Bhalerao, Nilkanth V. 2015-02-06
                1.40000
Version :
SVN Revision : $Rev: 471 $
----- Documentation for ./fitline.pro -----
pro fitline
   INPUTS: Specfiy either specfile, or the next four inputs
                        : (string) Name of text spectrum (output by modspec etc)
        specfile
                          Two column file listing energy, counts
        fitsfile
                        : (string) input .evt file
        fitsext
                        : (int)
                                   FITS extension number to read. Default=1
        detid
                        : (int)
                                   Id of detector for which spectrum should be
                         produced. Default=0
                        : (int)
                                   Id of pixel for which spectrum should be
        pixid
                          produced. Default=0
   OUTPUTS:
        sigma
                        : (float)
                                   Returned gaussian sigma of line
        err_sigma
                        : (float)
                                   Error in returned gaussian sigma of line
        center
                        : (float)
                                   Returned centroid of line
        err_center
                        : (float)
                                   Error in returned centroid of line
                        : (float)
                                   Returned value of counts in line
        linecounts
        err_linecounts : (float) Error in returned value of counts in line
                        : (string) optional name of the output pdf plot of
        plotspec
                          the spectrum for each pixel
   OPTIONAL INPUTS:
                        : (float) Gain in keV / channel. Default 0.0488
        gain
        offset
                        : (float) Offset in keV. Default 0
                          [Energy] = [Channels] * gain + offset
                        : nominal position of line in {\tt keV}
        linepos
        linesig
                        : nominal sigma of line in keV
        fitlow
                        : lower side range for line fit (in units of linesig)
                          Default: 1.
                        : higher side range for line fit (in units of linesig)
        fithigh
                          Default: 2.
        rebin
                        : (float array*3) Optional rebinning parameters
                          rebin=[startenergy, stopenergy, binsize]
                        : (string) Name of output PDF plot
        plotspec
                        : Lower end of plot, in appropriate units
        plotmin
        plotmax
                        : Higher end of plot, in appropriate units
                        : (bool) whether to allow as additive base in the
        /base
                          gaussian fit for a line
                        : display this message and exit
        /help
```

5.4 peakfind

peakfind is a *function* that finds a local maxima. Given arrays y and x and a starting index value, it first selects a region of interest till the first inflexion points on either sides of the start point. Then, it returns the position of the highest point within this region of interest. If there are multiple points with the highest value (possible only with a flat top), then **peakfind** returns the lowest x coordinate from such values.

Note: the start point is specified as an index of the x array, but the returned value is a x coordinate rather than an array index.

```
IDL> print, peakfind(/help)
answer = peakfind(x, y, start, smoothval=smoothval)
Returns the x-coordinate of the local maximum around start
Optionally smooths the data by smoothval
NOTE: start is an index, not an x value
```

5.5 rcspec

rcspec is particularly useful when looking for module–induced systematic effects in spectra, with low SNR data. It processes a .evt file and produces plots spectra of each pixel row and each pixel column.

```
rcspec.pro, Varun Bhalerao, 2013-05-14
                1.00000
Version :
SVN Revision : $Rev: 183 $
----- Documentation for ./rcspec.pro -----
 PRO RCSPEC
        Make row-wise and column-wise module level spectra
 Inputs:
        infile
                 : (string) input events file
        fitsext : (int) FITS extension number to read. Default=1
                 : (int) Id of detector for which count map should be
        detid
                   produced. Default=0
        binsize
                 : (int) binsize of output spectrum (in channels)
                 : default = 16
        plotrange: (2-element float array)
                   Range of output plot in channels. Default = auto
        /help
                 : Show this help text
 Outputs:
        plotspec : (string) Name of pdf file to save combined spectrum to
```

5.6 groupspec

The modspec code mentioned in 3.1 creates spectra of an entire module. groupspec is a similar code that can combine spectra of a select list of pixels from a single module. If a gain-offset file is specified, then pixelwise corrections are applied before combining data. This facilitates pixel grouping, which is used for comparing mask data with uniform illumination data (Section 5.7), or for combining pixels with similar gain-offset values. A slight drawback is that groupspec v2.3 works only with .evt files, but not with .allspec.fits files. This makes the code execution slower.

For facilitating easy import of spectra into other software (eg Xspec), the default output of groupspec does not have any comments or metadata. Metadata can be added by specifying the /longtext flag.

Similar functionality can also be achieved from modspec, using the "ignorepix" input parameter. An example of this can be found in the source code for perfcomp (Section 5.7).

```
groupspec.pro, Varun Bhalerao, 2013-07-17
Version :
                2.30000
SVN Revision : $Rev: 371 $
----- Documentation for ./groupspec.pro -----
 PRO GROUPSPEC
        Make module level spectra
 Inputs (required):
                 : (string) input events file
        infile
        pixlist
                : (int array) list of pixels for making combined spectrum
        gainfile : (string) name of file with gains and offsets
                   if gainfile is not specified, make a combined
                   spectrum without any shifts.
                   [Energy] = [Channels] * gain + offset
 Inputs (optional):
        fitsext : (int)
                            FITS extension number to read. Default=1
                            Id of detector for which count map should be
        detid
                 : (int)
                   produced. Default=0
                : (float) binsize of output spectrum (in keV) Default=0.1
        binsize
        erange
                 : (2-element float array)
                   Range of output spectrum in keV. Default = [0,200]
        /longtext: Produce a text spectrum with comments
                : Default is no comments, the channels are in binsize units
```

```
/help : Show this help text
Outputs:
    plotspec : (string) Name of pdf file to save combined spectrum to
    specfile : (string) Name of text file to save combined spectrum to
```

5.7 perfcomp

perfcomp is used for *comp*aring the *perf* ormance of the CZTI modules. For a given data file (eg: post-thermovac data), perfcomp locates the corresponding archival calibration ("old") data set. Pixels in the new data set are sorted by counts, and grouped into numgroups groups. Data for the same pixel groups are also extracted from the archival data set. Then gaussian profiles are fit to the new and archival data sets with fitline (Section 5.3). The code then writes text files with a table stating the following quantities for each pixel group: counts in pixel group, counts in line, old counts in group, old counts in line, new energy, new sigma, old energy, old sigma. It also generates PDFs for each pixel group (Figure 4), showing the new and old spectra and the line fits to them. Individual group plots are finally merged into a single .perfcompare.pdf file.



Figure 4: Comparing post-thermovac Am data for Quadrant 0, Module 5 with archival data.

These outputs can be further summarized by running the perfcomp_summary code. The perfcomp code supports following parameters:

```
: (int) FITS extension number to read. Default=1
     fitsext
                  Ignored for .allspec.fits files
                : Quadrant number of the detector (0-3)
     quad
                  Required for locating correct reference data set
     detid
                : (int) Id of detector for which count map should be produced
                : Range 0 -- 15, default 0
     temp
                : Temperature (e.g. '05C')
                : Source (e.g. 'Am2' / 'Am')
     source
     linepos
                : nominal position of line in {\tt keV}
                : nominal sigma of line in keV
     linesig
     numgroups : Number of pixel groups to create (Default: 8)
     clip_perc : Percentile point for clipping (0.5 = median, 1.0 = maximum)
                  Counts at this percentile are used as reference
                : Multiplying factor for maximum allowed counts
     cliplim
                  For example, clip_perc = 0.5 and cliplim = 10 means pixels
                  with count rate above 10 times median are ignored
                  If clip_perc=1.0 and cliplim > 1 then no pixels are ignored
     /help
                : print this message
OUTPUTS PARAMETERS:
               : (string) base name and path to be prepended to output files
     outbase
     binsize
                : (float) binsize of output spectrum (in keV)
               : (2-element float array)
     plotrange
                  Range of output plot in keV. Default = auto
```

5.8 threshold

This program calculates threshold values (Lower Level Discriminator; LLD) by fitting an error function (ERF⁹) to module spectra. The best-fit value and width (ERF sigma) are returned in the parameters threshold and tsig. The threshold code uses modspec as the backend, hence all modspec inputs are supported. Additionally, threshold can be given an input guess threshold value and a range for fitting to data. Input and output parameters specific to threshold.pro are:

```
IDL> threshold, /help
threshold.pro, Varun Bhalerao, 2014-05-07
                1.20000
Version :
SVN Revision : $Rev: 401 $
----- Documentation for ./threshold.pro -----
 PRO THRESHOLD
        Calculate module thresholds
 Inputs (required):
       All inputs are of the same format as modspec
 Inputs (optional):
        threshold
                  : (float) Initial guess threshold value (keV)
                     Default: first non-zero element
                   : Range in which to fit for exact threshold
        fitrange
                      (2 element float array)
                     Default: threshold +- 40 keV
 Other flags:
                   : Plot the fitrange and best-fit plots (in X server)
        show
 Outputs:
                   : (float) Final fit threshold value (keV)
        threshold
                     Will overwrite any input variable that was set
                     (float) Gaussian sigma of threshold fitting
        tsig
                     This is the sigma of the "Error Function" fit
                     in fitrange.
```

Internally, this code calls modspec for creating spectra from the input files. All modspec parameters are supported:

⁹ERF or Error Function is the integral of a Gaussian function.

Documentation for ./modspec.pro								
PRO MODSPEC								
	level spectra							
Inputs	(required)		1					
1	infile	:	(string) input events file or allspec.fits file					
	/allspec		Set /allspec to specify that input is a allspec fits file					
	, allopoo	·	containing spectra of all pixels in that guadrant					
	fitsext	:	(int) FITS extension number to read. Default=1					
	1100000	·	Ignored if input is allspec					
	detid		(int) Id of detector for which count man should be					
	uoviu	·	produced Default=0					
	gainfile		(string) name of file with gains and offsets					
	guiniiio	·	if gainfile is not specified make a combined					
			spectrum without any shifts					
			[Fnergy] = [Chennels] * gein + offset					
	sidfile		(string) name of file which has nivel energy					
	SIGIILE	•	(string) name of file which has pixel energy					
	ignoroniv		(int array) list of nivels to be ignored					
	ignorepix	•	(int allay) list of pixels to be ignored					
	ignoro tyt		(atring) File containing list of doad nivels					
	ignore_txt	÷	(string) file containing fist of dead pixels					
		·	produced by norsydead.pro					
	top	:	(float) fraction of pixels to coadd for spectrum					
	•		default = 1.0					
	binsize	:	(float) binsize of output spectrum (in keV)					
	mincounts	:	(int) minimum counts in a pixel for calculating its					
			spectrum. Default = 10					
	plotrange	:	(2-element float array)					
			Range of output plot in keV. Default = auto					
	/help	:	Show this help text					
Outputs	3:							
-	plotspec	:	(string) Name of pdf file to save combined spectrum to					
	specfile	:	(string) Name of text file to save combined spectrum to					
	energy	:	(double array) Optional output, x-axis (energies) of					
	01		the combined spectrum					
	spectrum	:	(double array) Optional output, y-axis (counts) of					
			the combined spectrum					

Part 6 Appendix

A Sample testrecords.log file

```
# lines starting with # are ignored
# blank lines are also ignored
# initial trial files
# to be ignored
        raw/20110027_102600_UNKNO_UNKNO_UNKNO_UNKNO_UNKNO_200sec_N+D_DATA.raw
-1
-1
        raw/20110027_102900_UNKNO_UNKNO_UNKNO_UNKNO_UNKNO_400sec_N+D_DATA.raw
        raw/20110027_104900_UNKNO_UNKNO_UNKNO_UNKNO_UNKNO_200sec_N+D_DATA.raw
-1
-1
        raw/20110402_181400_UNKNO_Am0_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
-1
        raw/20110402_181900_UNKNO_Am0_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
-1
        raw/20110402_182300_UNKNO_Am0_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
-1
        raw/20110402_182800_UNKNO_Am0_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
-1
        raw/20110402_183300_UNKNO_Am0_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
-1
        raw/20110402_183800_UNKNO_Am0_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
-1
        raw/20110402_184300_UNKNO_Am0_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
        raw/20110402_185200_UNKN0_Am0_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
-1
-1
        raw/20110402_185700_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
# actual data begins
        raw/20110402_190300_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
8
9
        raw/20110402_190800_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
10
        raw/20110402_191300_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
        raw/20110402_191700_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
11
12
        raw/20110402_192100_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
        raw/20110402_192500_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
13
14
        raw/20110402_192900_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
15
        raw/20110402_193300_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
0
        raw/20110402_193800_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
1
        raw/20110402_194200_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
2
        raw/20110402_194600_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60kev_200.raw
3
        raw/20110402_195000_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60kev_200.raw
5
        raw/20110702_110300_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
6
        raw/20110702_110700_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
7
        raw/20110702_111200_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
4
        raw/20110702_111800_UNKNO_Am_600V_010C_60keV_200.raw
# no background files in this run
```

B Sample metadata in text files

Text files created by most data analysis codes have metadata at the top, commented out with the **#** symbol. A sample of metadata and the first few data rows for a gain-offset file created by the linearity IDL code for FQ1, Module 6 at 5°C is given below. For the purpose of this document, some long lines have been continued on a lower line. These are demarcated with \cdots , and appear as a single line in the actual file (FQ1_mod06_ID17285_05C.gain.txt).

```
# Gain / Offsets file
# Created by : linearity.pro, Varun Bhalerao, 2014-06-09
# Version : 3.20000
# SVN Revision : $Rev: 425 $
# Module ID : 17285
# Fits Extension : 1
# Data sets: /data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/gainoffset/filelist/...
.....FQ1modid_17285_pos_06_05C_lin.files.lst
# filename energy(kev) 1sigma_linewidth(channels)
# /data2/cztidata/vssc/FQ4/20140131_FQ4_Co2_05C_4hrs/alphaveto/...
.....20140131_999999_MULTI_Cd+Co2_600_05C_10keV.regular.allspec.fits.gz 122.06 45.0
# /data2/cztidata/vssc/FQ4/20140204_FQ4_Cd_05C_4hrs/alphaveto/...
.....20140204_115525_MULTI_Am3+Cd_600_05C_10keV.regular.allspec.fits.gz 88.16 44.0
# /data2/cztidata/vssc/allquad/20140316_MULTI_Ba_cal401_05C_2.5hrs/alphaveto/...
```

```
······20140316_120041_MULTI_Ba_600_05C_10keV_regular.Q1.allspec.fits.gz 81.00 43.0
# /data2/cztidata/vssc/allquad/20140316_MULTI_Co2_cal401_05C_1hrs/alphaveto/.
  ···20140316_171357_MULTI_Co2_600_05C_10keV_regular.Q1.allspec.fits.gz 122.06 45.0
# /data2/cztidata/vssc/allquad/20140317_MULTI_Am3_cal401_05C_2.5hrs/alphaveto/
   ···20140317_120001_MULTI_Am3_600_05C_10keV_regular.Q1.allspec.fits.gz 59.54 41.0
# /data2/cztidata/vssc/allquad/20140318_MULTI_Cd_cal401_05C_2.5hrs/alphaveto/...
    ·20140318_071400_MULTI_Cd_600_05C_10keV_regular.Q1.allspec.fits.gz 88.16 44.0
# /data2/cztidata/vssc/FQ4/20140131_FQ4_Co2_05C_4hrs/alphaveto/.
   ··20140131_999999_MULTI_Cd+Co2_600_05C_10keV_regular.allspec.fits.gz 136.47 48.0
# /data2/cztidata/vssc/FQ4/20140131_FQ4_Co2_05C_4hrs/alphaveto/
    ·20140131_999999_MULTI_Cd+Co2_600_05C_10keV_regular.allspec.fits.gz 22.16 60.0
# /data2/cztidata/vssc/allquad/20140316_MULTI_Co2_cal401_05C_1hrs/alphaveto/.
  ···20140316_171357_MULTI_Co2_600_05C_10keV_regular.Q1.allspec.fits.gz 136.47 48.0
# /data2/cztidata/vssc/allquad/20140316_MULTI_Co2_cal401_05C_1hrs/alphaveto/
······20140316_171357_MULTI_Co2_600_05C_10keV_regular.Q1.allspec.fits.gz 22.16 60.0
# Input gain-offset file:/data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/go_AmCo/FQ1/05C/···
   ··FQ1_modid_17285_G0_AmCo_05C_allquad.txt
# Output gain-offset file (this file):/data2/cztidata/vssc/analysis/gainoffset/FQ1/05C/...
 FQ1_mod06_ID17285_05C.gain.txt
# Input gain/offset parameters:
# Mean gain (keV / channel) : 0.05589
# Variation in gain : 0.00123
# Mean offset : 4.67
# Variation in offset : 1.17
# Revised output gain/offset parameters:
# Mean gain (keV / channel) : 0.05644
# Variation in gain : 0.00124
# Mean offset : 4.18
# Variation in offset : 1.08
# [Energy] = [Channels] * gain + offset
# Good fits could not be obtained for 9 pixels
# Their gains and offsets were replaced by mean gain-offset values
# Their error bars were set to zero
# The 9 pixels are: 4 36 48 50 61 182 194 226 244
# Gain Gain Err Offset Offset Err
0.05754 0.00050 2.312 0.812
0.05648 0.00047 2.923 0.728
0.05704 0.00025 2.902 0.354
0.05626 0.00026 4.358 0.409
0.05646 0.00000 4.171 0.000
```

C List of all IDL codes

alphaspec_ctmap.pro alphaspec.pro alphastats.pro alphaveto.pro apixmap.pro background_analysis.pro backspace.pro basicproducts.pro centbox.pro centroid.pro checkmod_centfile.pro countmap.pro countrate.pro data_search.pro dead_list.pro dead_props.pro ene_res.pro ene_res_txtfile.pro fitline.pro fitline_run.pro gainoffset.pro

gainplots.pro ${\tt getmod.pro}$ goAmCo.pro go_cluster ${\tt go_cluster.r}$ go_corr_mod.pro groupspec.pro inside.pro linearity.pro linearity_run.pro lineprof.pro $\verb"lin_quadrant.pro"$ logup.pro modid.pro modres.pro modspec.pro noisydead.pro noisy_list.pro noisy_props.pro parsefilename.pro peakfind.pro ${\tt perfcomp.pro}$ ${\tt perfcomp_summary.pro}$ perf_energy.pro pixgroup.pro pixsep.pro pixspec.pro plotvispix.pro procpix.pro $ps2pdf_idl.sh$ $\tt qe_calch.pro$ ${\tt qe_calc.pro}$ quadprod.pro rcspec.pro redist.pro rmserror.pro rms.pro spec_plots.pro splitproc.pro stats.pro temp_res.pro temp_res_txtfile.pro $\texttt{temp_res_txt.pro}$ threshold.pro totvetospec.pro