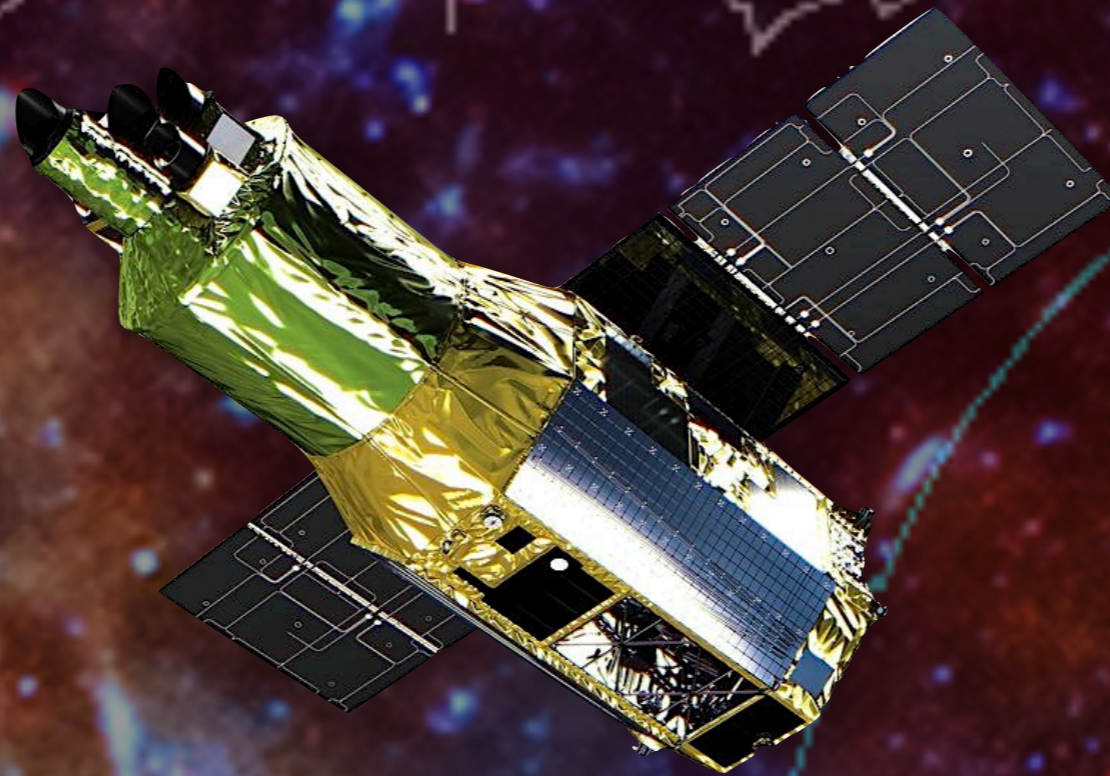


# Make your own XRISM responses

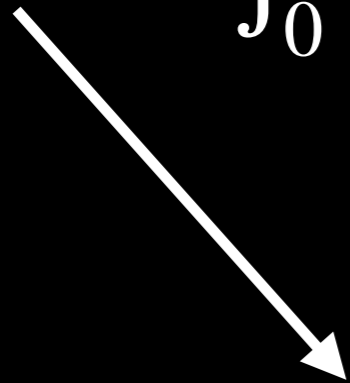
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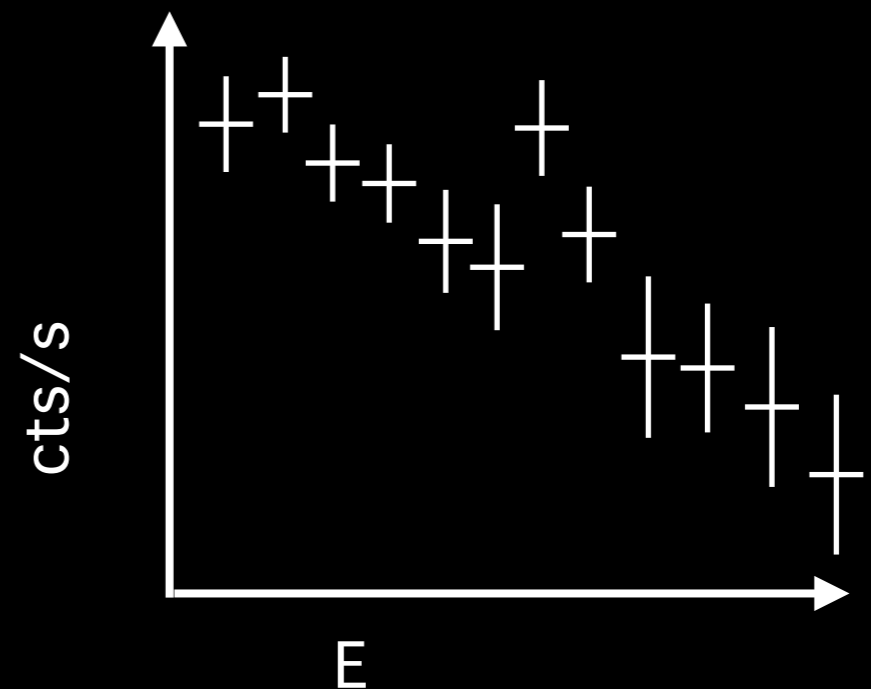
# Reminder

$$C(k) = \int_0^{\infty} \sum_i A_i(E) R_i(k, E) S_i(E) dE dT + B_i(k)$$



**Spec =**

- ✓ **Spec** = observed **spectrum**
- ✓ **Mod** = **spectral model**
- ✓ **RMF** = **response matrix**
- ✓ **ARF** = **effective area**



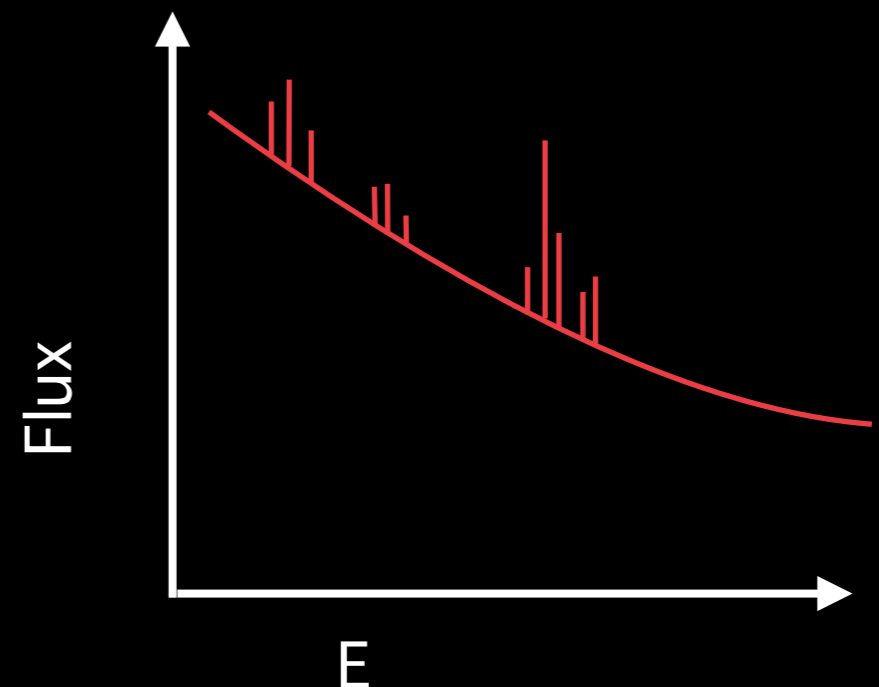
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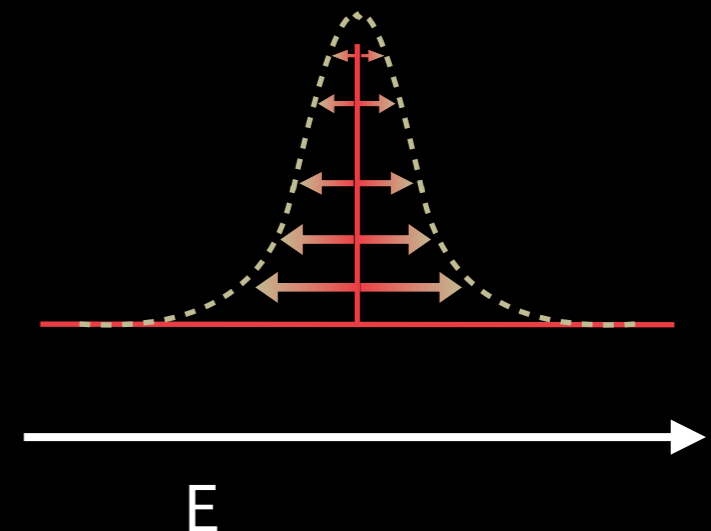


# Reminder

$$C(k) = \int_0^{\infty} \sum_i A_i(E) R_i(k, E) S_i(E) dE dT + B_i(k)$$

**Spec** = { **RMF** \* **Mod** }

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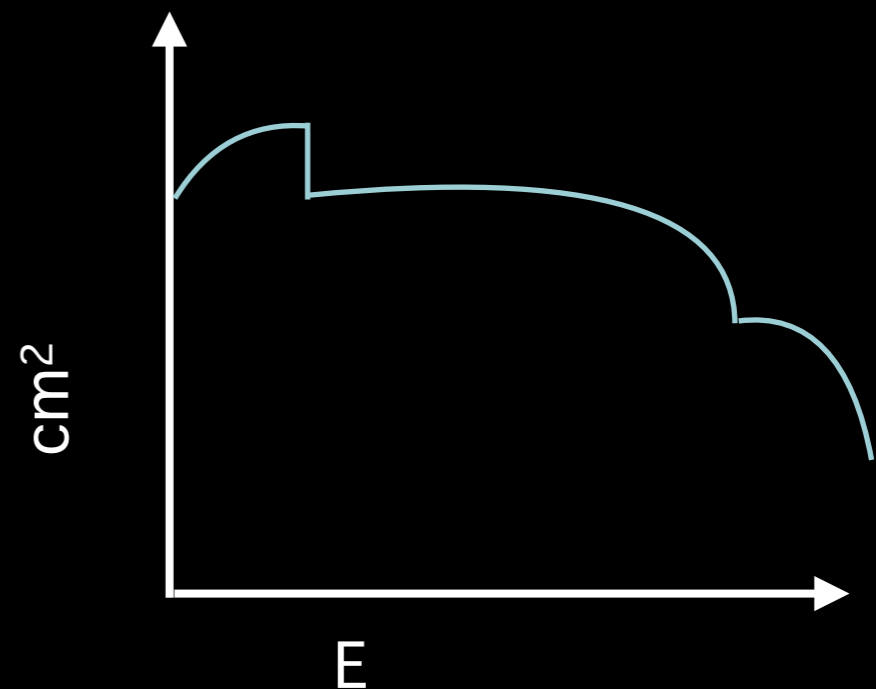


# Reminder

$$C(k) = \int_0^{\infty} \sum_i A_i(E) R_i(k, E) S_i(E) dE dT + B_i(k)$$

**Spec = ARF \* { RMF \* Mod }**

- ✓ **Spec** = observed *spectrum*
- ✓ **Mod** = *spectral model*
- ✓ **RMF** = *response matrix*
- ✓ **ARF** = *effective area*



# Reminder

## Resolve

### RMFs

- ✓ rsl\_Hp\_5eV.rmf
- ✓ rsl\_Mp\_6eV.rmf
- ✓ rsl\_Lp\_18eV.rmf

### ARFs (GV closed)

- ✓ rsl\_standard\_GVclosed.arf
- ✓ rsl\_pointsource\_fwBe\_GVclosed.arf
- ✓ rsl\_pointsource\_fwND\_GVclosed.arf
- ✓ rsl\_pointsource\_off\_GVclosed.arf
- ✓ rsl\_extflat\_GVclosed.arf
- ✓ rsl\_extbeta\_GVclosed.arf

## Xtend

### RMFs

- ✓ xtd\_standard.rmf

### ARFs

- ✓ xtd\_standard.arf
- ✓ xtd\_extflat.arf

# Reminder

## Resolve

“I want an **RMF** for Hp events at pixel 27 exactly.”

“I want an **RMF** for Hp events at pixel 27 with electron loss continuum.”

“I want an **ARF** for a point source located exactly on the detector’s upper right corner.”

“I want an **ARF** for a beta extended source with other parameters than provided.”

## Xtend

“I want an **ARF** for a circular source with 1 arcmin radius and 2 arcmin off-axis.”

The solution...

Make RMFs (and ARFs) from real data! 😊

...But we are only at Cycle 1. No data is available yet!

Fair point... (Then let's dig into the XRISM software and CALDB.)

**Warning:** we encourage you to make your own responses **ONLY** if you have a good reason to do so!

(Remember, canned responses are provided too...)



# Generating Resolve responses

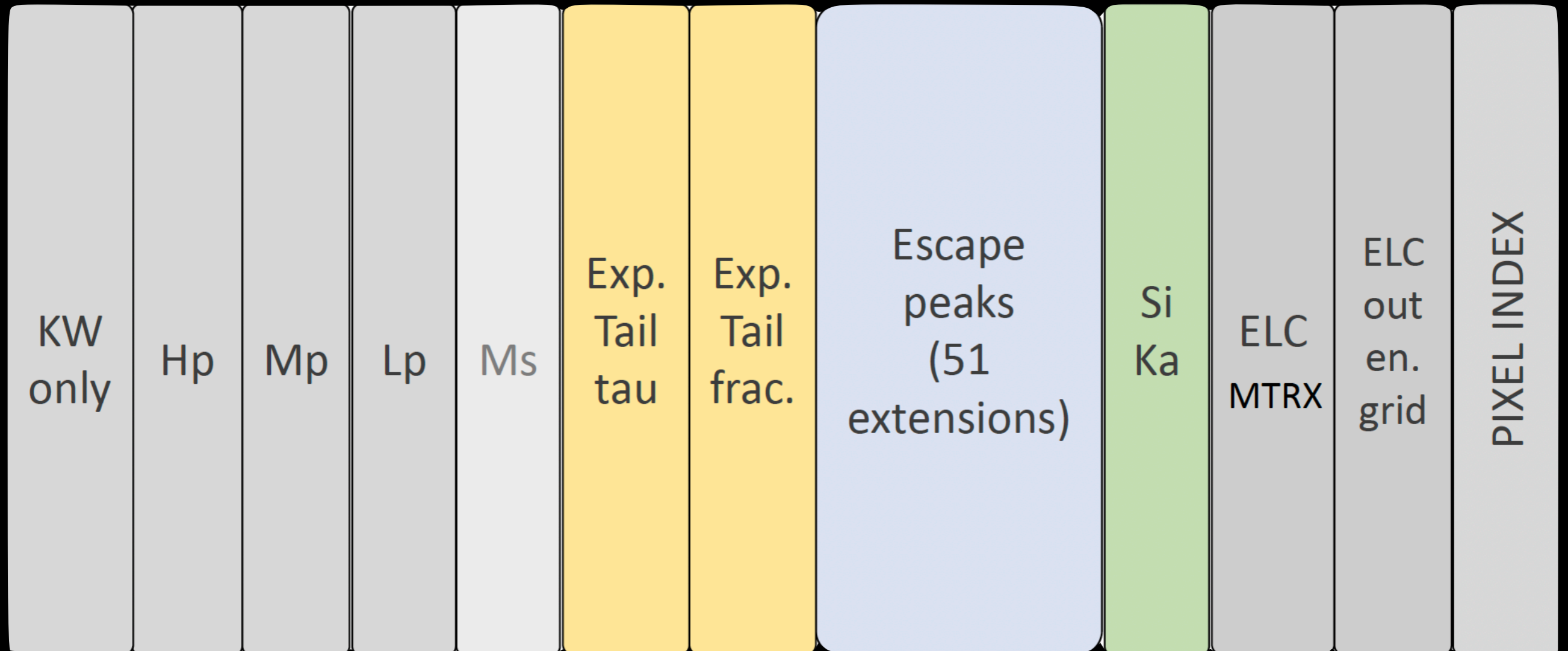
## What you need:

- ✓ **rmfparam file:** File containing basic **RMF** parameters. (Available in CALDB)
- ✓ **rsl\_1att\_b7optaxis.expo:** Dummy exposure map file for making Resolve non-observation **ARFs**. OPEN filter, gate valve OPEN. (Provided separately)
- ✓ **rsl\_35pix\_det.reg:** Resolve region file for all pixels, in DET coordinates, used to make non-observation **ARFs**. (Provided separately)
- ✓ **rsl\_onaxisfile\_0p3to18kev.fits:** Energy grid file needed for raytracing to make canned **ARFs**. (Provided separately)

# Generating Resolve RMFs

## Anatomy of the rmfparam file

(e.g. /path/to/CALDB/data/xrism/resolve/bcf/response/xa\_rsl\_rmfparam\_20190101v005.fits.gz)



Ext. [0]  
(Only critical keywords)

Ext. [1], [2], [3]  
GAUSFWHM

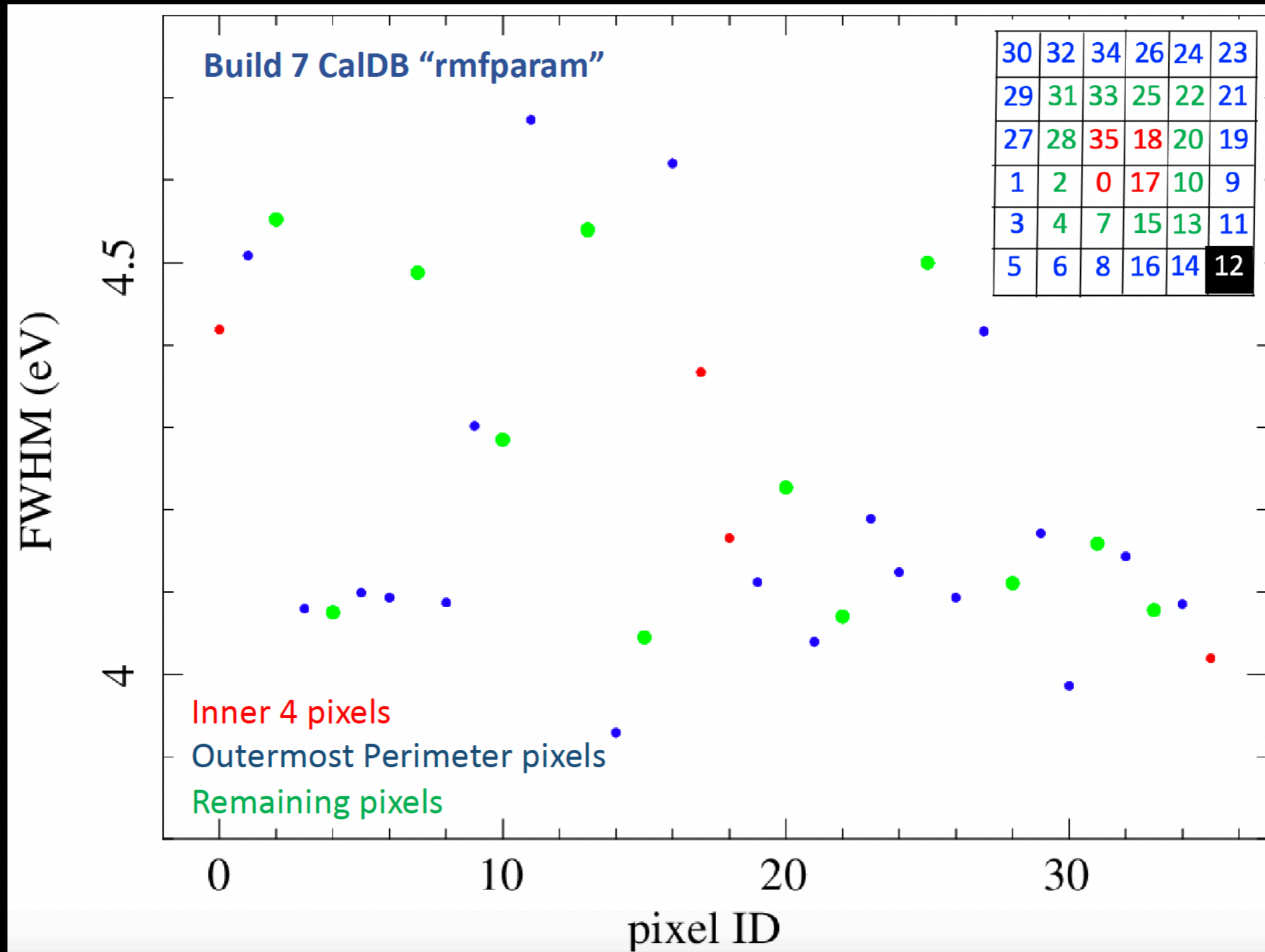
Not available yet!

Credits: T. Yaqoob

# Generating Resolve RMFs

## Anatomy of the rmfparam file

(e.g. /path/to/CALDB/data/xrism/resolve/bcf/response/xa\_rsl\_rmfparam\_20190101v005.fits.gz)

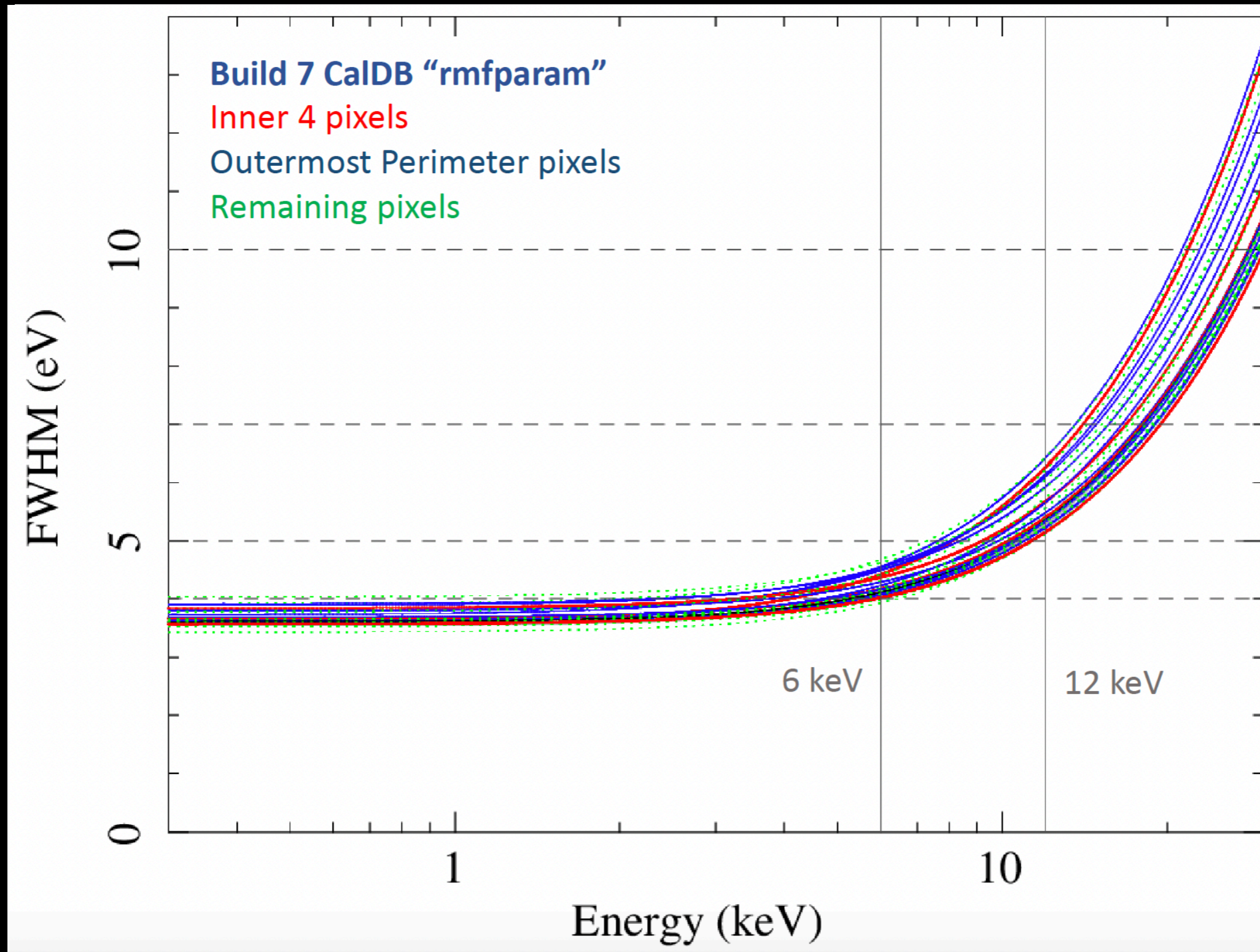


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# Generating Resolve RMFs

## Anatomy of the rmfparam file

(e.g. /path/to/CALDB/data/xrism/resolve/bcf/response/xa\_rsl\_rmfparam\_20190101v005.fits.gz)



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# Generating Resolve RMFs

I want an RMF for Hp events at pixel 27 exactly.

```
$ fhelptools rslrmf
```

Set to NONE to select a pixel value directly

```
$ rslrmf infile=NONE outfile="rsl_Hp_pix27" pixel=27  
resol=Hp rmfparamfile="CALDB"
```

Either Hp (= GAUSFWHM1),  
Mp (= GAUSFWHM2),  
or Lp (= GAUSFWHM3)

If set to CALDB, the RMF will take info from  
the latest rmfparamfile in the CALDB directory

Name of my output file (.rmf  
extension added automatically)

I want an RMF with a resolution of 10 eV exactly.

```
$ rslrmf infile=NONE outfile="rsl_10eV" pixel=27  
resol=Hp rmfparamfile="my_edited_rmparam_file.fits"
```

Modified rmfparam file with all values of all pixel  
columns (or, at the very least, pixel 27) in  
GAUSFWHM1 are set to 10 (using ftcalc, python,...)

# Generating Resolve RMFs

I want an RMF for Hp events at pixel 27 with electron loss continuum.

```
$ rs1rmf infile=NONE outfile="rs1_Hp_pix27_XL" pixel=27  
resol=Hp rmfparamfile="CALDB" whichrmf=X splitrmf=yes  
elcbinfac=32
```

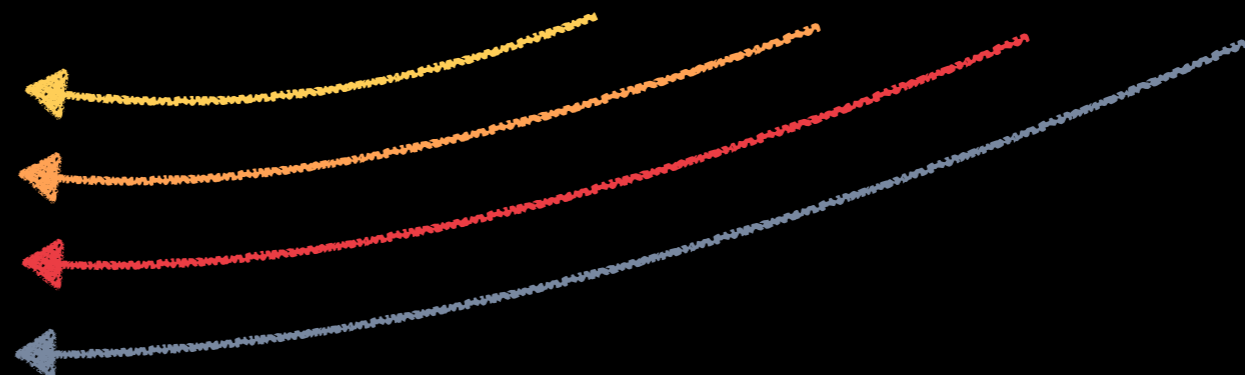
Coarser bin on the ELC part  
of the matrix

Creates an Xtra Large RMF  
that includes ELC

Splits the RMF into two files (necessary to  
avoid a >2 GB size)

Gaussian core ...  
... + exponential tail ...  
... + escape peaks + Si Ka ...  
... + electron loss continuum

whichrmf=S / M / L / X



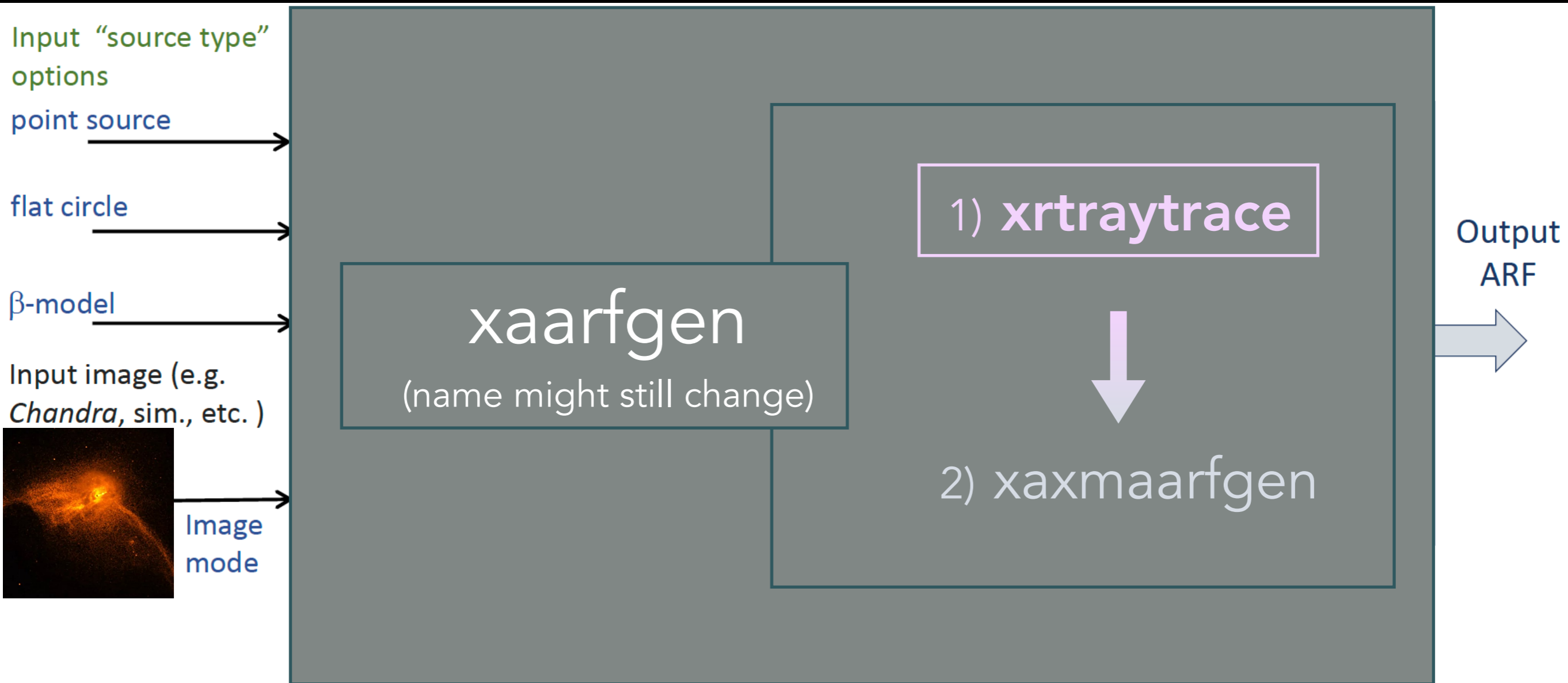
# Caveats (RMFs)

- ✓ These RMFs do **NOT** account for **branching ratios**! (i.e. they assume only the values given at energies and pixels from the rmfparam file)
- ✓ Can **NOT** be representative of the **entire detector** (including all pixels) because the sum of Gaussians is **NOT** a Gaussian!

Then how do I do to get a super realistic RMF?

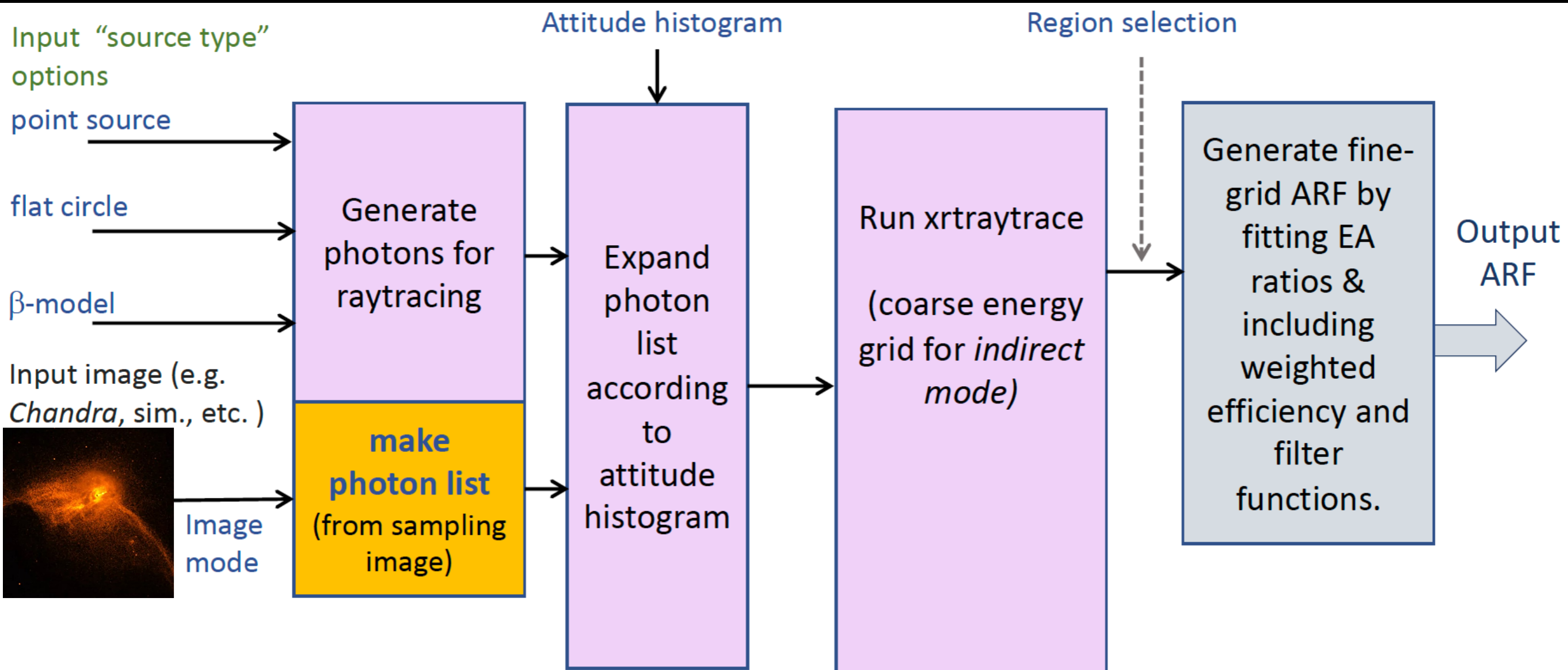
Make RMFs (and ARFs) from real data! 🤔

# Generating Resolve ARFs





# Generating Resolve ARFs



# Generating Resolve ARFs

I want an ARF for a point source located exactly on the detector's upper right corner.

## Step 1: Run `xrtraytrace`

```
$ fhhelp xrtraytrace
```

Number of photons injected in the ray-tracing simulation

```
$ xrtraytrace telescop="XRISM" instrume="RESOLVE"  
energy="rsl_onaxiscf_0p3to18kev.fits[1]" numphoton=600000  
fastmode=yes offaxis=2.317 roll=49.744 source="POINT"  
outphistfile="rsl_pointsource_uppercorner_phist.fits"  
outeafile="rsl_pointsource_uppercorner_ea.fits"  
outpsffile="rsl_pointsource_uppercorner_psf.fits"  
logfile="rsl_pointsource_uppercorner_log.log"  
mirrorfile="CALDB" obstructfile="CALDB" frontreffile="CALDB"  
backreffile="CALDB" pcolreffile="CALDB" scatterfile="CALDB"  
transmode="ALL" scattermode="ALL" psfpars="1 100 0.25"  
resplaneonly=yes phisttype=BRIEF
```

The most important!  
(See next slide)

Output files (photon events list, effective area, PSF, log)

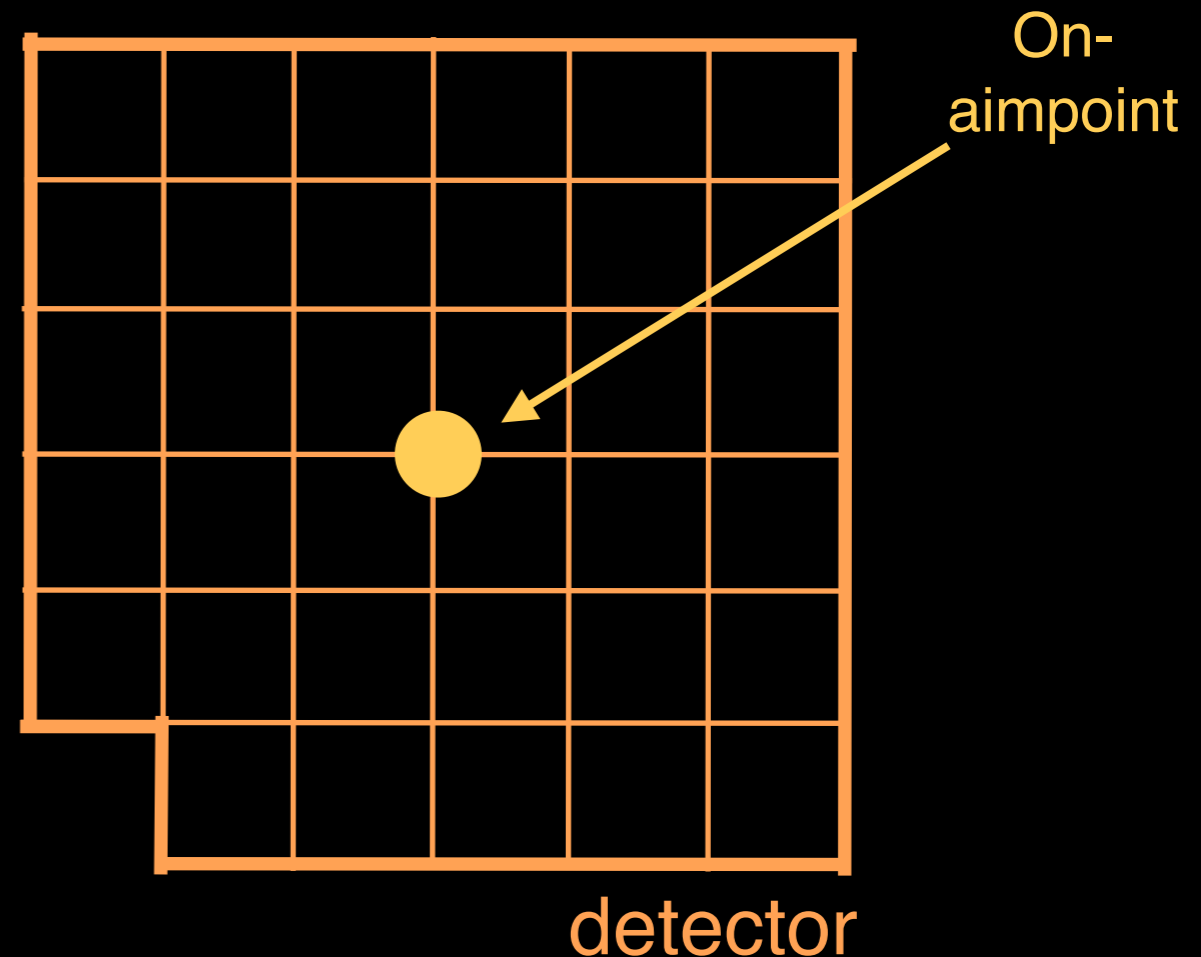
Energy grid (can also be entered manually)

# Generating Resolve ARFs

I want an ARF for a point source located exactly on the detector's upper right corner.

Step 1: Run `xrtraytrace`

- ✓ `offaxis`: offset from the **TELESCOPE optical axis** (**NOT** the detector!)
- ✓ `roll`: rotation angle from DETX (**NOT** the roll angle!)

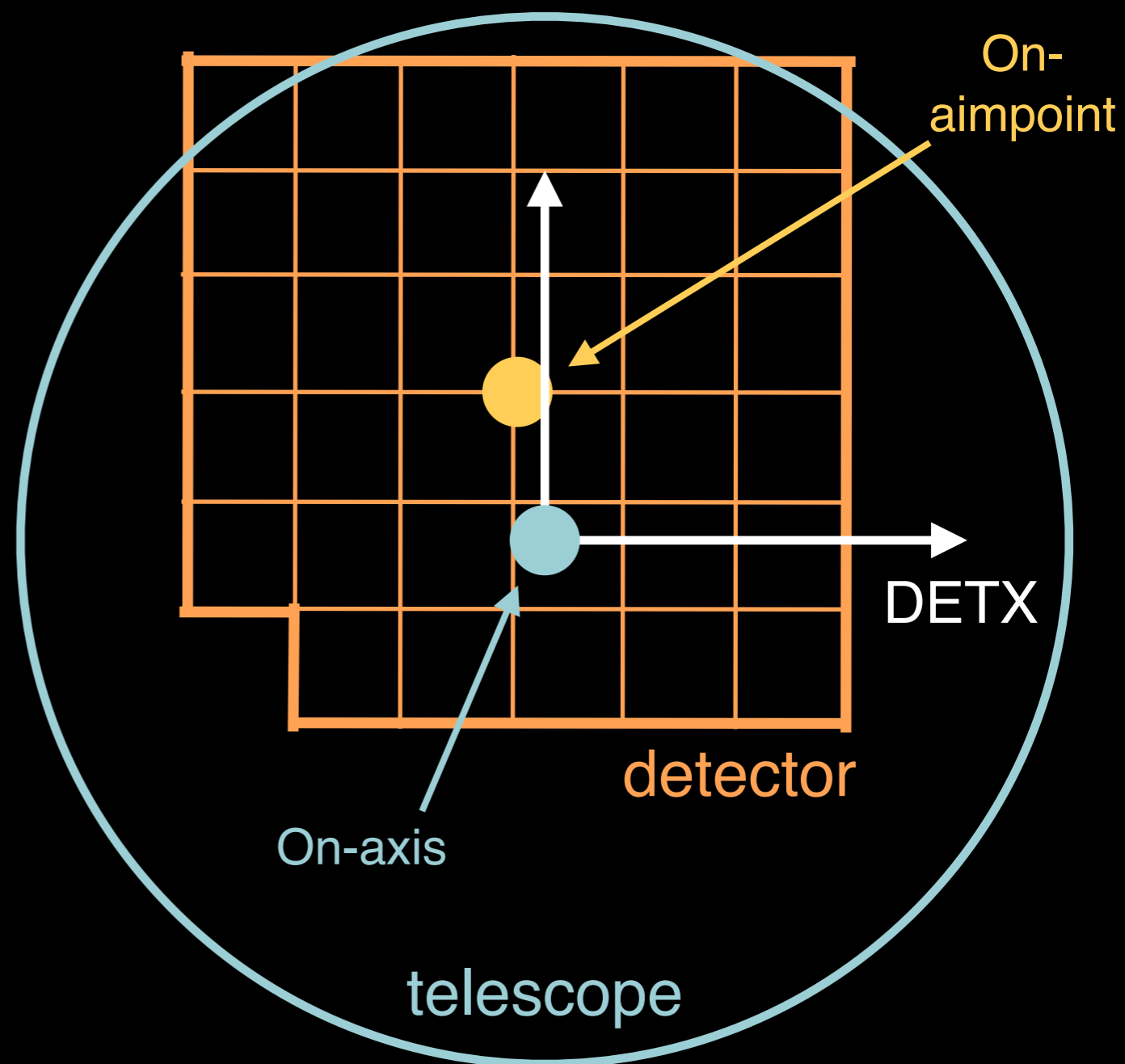


# Generating Resolve ARFs

I want an ARF for a point source located exactly on the detector's upper right corner.

Step 1: Run `xrtraytrace`

- ✓ `offaxis`: offset from the **TELESCOPE optical axis** (**NOT** the detector!)
- ✓ `roll`: rotation angle from DETX (**NOT** the roll angle!)



# Generating Resolve ARFs

I want an ARF for a point source located exactly on the detector's upper right corner.

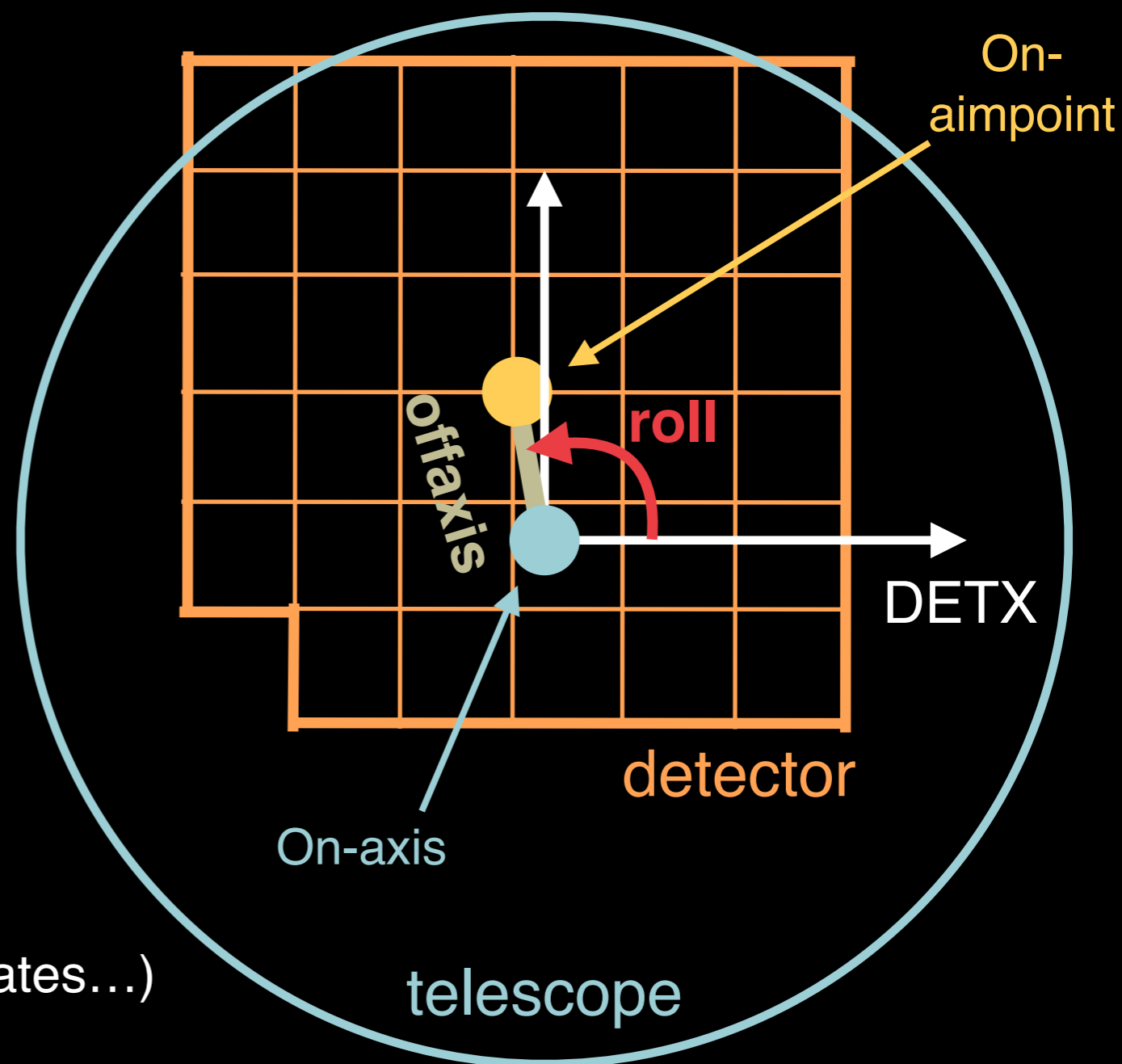
Step 1: Run `xrtraytrace`

- ✓ `offaxis`: offset from the TELESCOPE optical axis (NOT the detector!)
- ✓ `roll`: rotation angle from DETX (NOT the roll angle!)

At **detector aimpoint**:

`offaxis=0.245` `roll=96.577`

(could change with in-flight calibration updates...)



# Generating Resolve ARFs

I want an ARF for a point source located exactly on the detector's upper right corner.

Step 1: Run **xrtraytrace**

```
$ fhelpt xrtraytrace
```

**Warning:** can take a long time! (Depending on the energy grid...)

Step 2: If necessary, change the FILTER and GATEVALV keywords in the (dummy) **exposure map** file

```
$ fthedit "rs1_1att_b7optaxis.expo[1]" FILTER add OPEN  
comment="Filter state"
```

```
$ fthedit "rs1_1att_b7optaxis.expo[1]" GATEVALV add CLOSED  
comment="Gatevalve state"
```

# Generating Resolve ARFs

I want an ARF for a point source located exactly on the detector's upper right corner.

Step 3: Run **xaxmaarfgen** (with the simulated event list as input file)

Exposure map used only for partial pixel exp. fractions (and FILTER and GATEVALVE keywords)

```
$ xaxmaarfgen telescope="XRISM" instrume="RESOLVE"  
emapfile="rsl_1att_b7optaxis.expo"  
rmffile="rsl_Hp_5eV.rmf"  
onaxiscfile="rsl_onaxiscfile_0p3to18kev.fits[1]"  
outfile="rsl_pointsource_uppercorner.arf"  
regionfile="rsl_35pix_det.reg"  
xrtevtfile="rsl_pointsource_uppercorner_phist.fits"  
qefile="CALDB" contamifile="CALDB"  
gatevalvefile="CALDB" onaxisffile="CALDB"
```

Detector region (on which the ARF is extracted). In DET coordinates!

Input event list (simulated from xrtraytrace)

# Generating Resolve ARFs

I want an ARF for a beta extended source with other parameters than provided.

## Step 1: Run `xrtraytrace`

```
$ fhelpt xrtraytrace
```

*Center of the source is on-aimpoint*

*The source is now a beta model!*

```
$ xrtraytrace telescope="XRISM" instrume="RESOLVE"  
energy="rsl_onaxisfile_0p3to18kev.fits[1]" numphoton=600000  
fastmode=yes offaxis=0.245 roll=96.577  
source="BETAMODEL" betapars="1.26 0.53 5.7"  
outphistfile="rsl_extbeta_phist.fits"  
outeafile="rsl_extbeta_ea.fits"  
outpsffile="rsl_extbeta_psf.fits"  
logfile="rsl_extbeta_log.log" mirrorfile="CALDB"  
obstructfile="CALDB" frontreffile="CALDB" backreffile="CALDB"  
pcolreffile="CALDB" scatterfile="CALDB" transmode="ALL"  
scattermode="ALL" psfpars="1 100 0.25" resplaneonly=yes  
phisttype=BRIEF
```

*Parameters to change  
(see next slide)*



# Generating Resolve ARFs

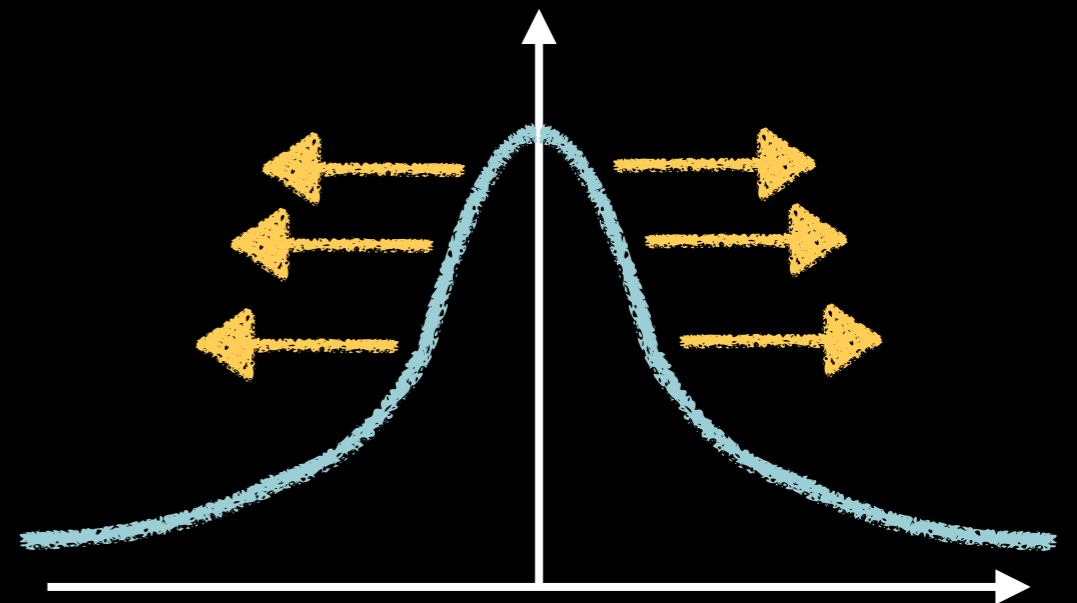
I want an ARF for a beta extended source with other parameters than provided.

Step 1: Run `xrtraytrace`

```
$ fhelpt xrtraytrace
```

```
betapars="1.26 0.53 5.7"
```

$$N(r) = C [1 + (r/r_c)^2]^{(1.5-3\beta)}$$



# Generating Resolve ARFs

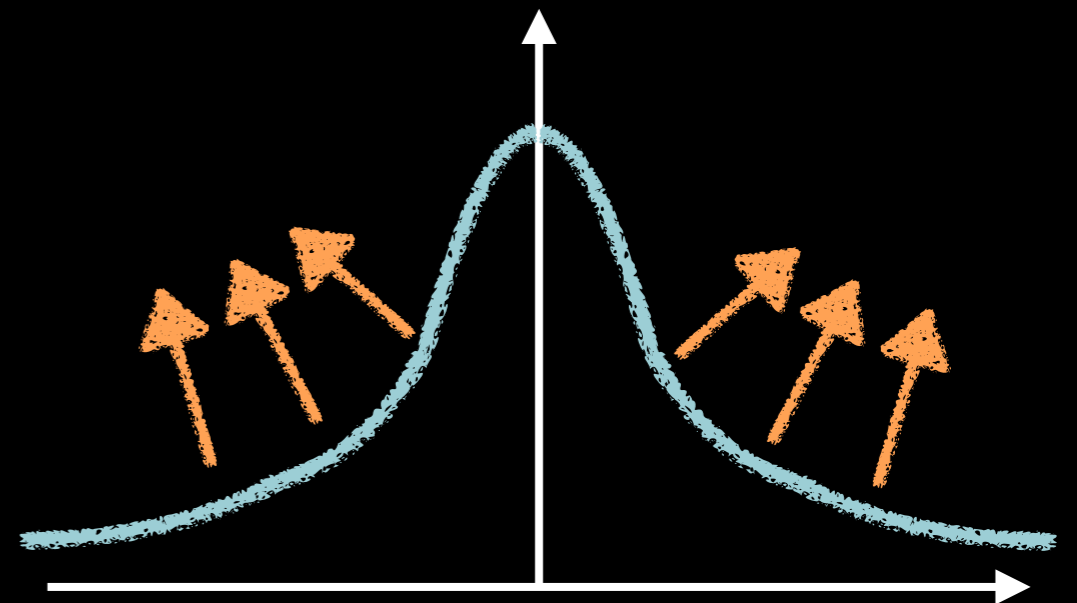
I want an ARF for a beta extended source with other parameters than provided.

Step 1: Run `xrtraytrace`

```
$ fhelpr xrtraytrace
```

```
betapars="1.26 0.53 5.7"
```

$$N(r) = C [1 + (r/r_c)^2]^{(1.5-3\beta)}$$



# Generating Resolve ARFs

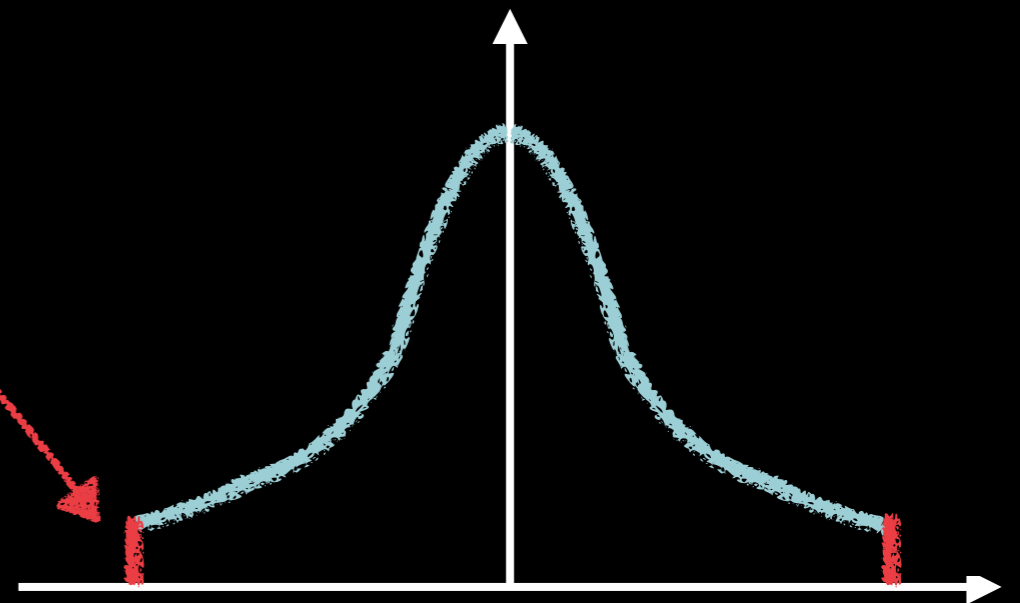
I want an ARF for a beta extended source with other parameters than provided.

Step 1: Run `xrtraytrace`

```
$ fhelpt xrtraytrace
```

```
betapars="1.26 0.53 5.7"
```

$$N(r) = C [1 + (r/r_c)^2]^{(1.5-3\beta)}$$



Step 2 & 3: As before

# Generating Xtend responses

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## What you need:

- ✓ **xtd\_1att\_nobadpix\_b7optaxis.expo:** Dummy exposure map file for making Xtend non-observation ARFs. OPEN filter, gate valve OPEN. (Provided separately)
- ✓ **xtd\_det\_r2p50\_b7optaxis.reg:** Xtend 2.5' radius circle region file in DET coordinates, centered on the optical axis position, used to make non-observation ARFs. (Provided separately)
- ✓ **xtd\_onaxisfile\_0p3to18kev.fits:** Energy grid file needed for raytracing to make canned ARFs. (Provided separately)

# Generating Xtend ARFs

I want an ARF for a circular source with 1 arcmin radius and 2 arcmin off-axis.

Step 1: Run `xrtraytrace`

```
$ fhelpt xrtraytrace
```

The source is now a flat circle

Now using Xtend (also in input and output files)

```
$ xrtraytrace telescope="XRISM" instrume="XTEND"
energy="xtd_onaxisfile_0p3to18kev.fits[1]" numphoton=600000
fastmode=yes offaxis=2.0 roll=0.0 source="FLATCIRCLE"
flatradius=1.0 outphistfile="xtd_extflatoff_phist.fits"
outeafile="xtd_extflatoff_ea.fits"
outpsffile="xtd_extflatoff_psf.fits"
logfile="xtd_extflatoff_log.log" mirrorfile="CALDB"
obstructfile="CALDB" frontreffile="CALDB"
backreffile="CALDB" pcolreffile="CALDB" scatterfile="CALDB"
transmode="ALL" scattermode="ALL" psfpars="1 100 0.25"
resplaneonly=yes phisttype=BRIEF
```

Radius of the flat circular source is set to 1 arcmin

# Generating Xtend ARFs

I want an ARF for a circular source with 1 arcmin radius and 2 arcmin off-axis.

Step 1: Run `xrtraytrace`

```
$ fhelpt xrtraytrace
```

✓ In the case of Xtend, the on-aimpoint (i.e. center of the detector) almost coincides with the on-axis (i.e. center of the telescope)!

At detector aimpoint:

```
offaxis=0.0 roll=0 is a good approximation
```

Step 2 & 3: As before

# Caveats (ARFs) and Takeaways

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- ✓ Generating accurate ray-tracing events at many energies can take a long time!
- ✓ Try to find the best compromise between science case accuracy vs. computing cost
- ✓ **Remember**: this is an advanced tutorial! It is **VERY** likely that your science justification can reasonably be done with the responses already available online (provided by the GOF)