



esensmap

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Abstract

Calculate EPIC sensitivity map

1 Instruments/Modes

Instrument	Mode
EPIC MOS:	IMAGING
EPIC PN:	IMAGING

2 Use

pipeline processing	yes
interactive analysis	yes

3 Description

This task creates a sensitivity map giving point source detection upper limits (vignetting corrected source count rate corresponding to the likelihood of detection as specified in the parameter file) for each image pixel. The task may either be called for individual energy bands or combinations of energy bands and instruments. The upper limits are derived by assuming Poissonian count statistics in each 3×3 pixel detection cell, using the exposure and background values read from the input images. It is assumed that 30% of the PSF fall into the detection cell. Likelihoods are calculated as function of raw source and background counts via the incomplete gamma function as described for **eboxdetect**. This simple upper limit calculation is meant as a reference point for a more detailed assessment of the sensitivity of the detection process to be determined through Monte Carlo simulations.

In the case of multiple input energy bands the upper limits are expressed in units of counts per seconds for the combined band (i.e. they refer to the detection sensitivity which would be achieved by adding up the photons observed in the individual bands). Pixels outside of the detection mask used by the **eboxdetect** detection task as well as pixels with zero exposure time are assigned a sensitivity value of -1.0. This also holds for pixels where – due to a failure of the **esplinemap** background task – zero or negative values occur in the input background maps.



4 Parameters

This section documents the parameters recognized by this task (if any).

Parameter	Mand	Type	Default	Constraints
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detmasksets	yes	filename list	detmask.fits	
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Names of detection masks

expimagesets	yes	filename list	expimage.fits	
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Names of exposure images

bkgimagesets	yes	filename list	bkgimage.fits	
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Names of background maps

sensimageset	yes	filename	sensimage.fits	
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Name of sensitivity image

mlmin	no	float	10.0	[1.0<param<20.0]
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Detection likelihood for which the upper limit of the source counts is calculated. Corresponds to the parameters likemin of **eboxdetect** and mlmin of **emldetect**.

5 Errors

This section documents warnings and errors generated by this task (if any). Note that warnings and errors can also be generated in the SAS infrastructure libraries, in which case they would not be documented here. Refer to the index of all errors and warnings available in the HTML version of the SAS documentation.

WrongInst (*error*)

Unknown instrument ID

MissingParameter (*error*)

Missing input file name

FileMismatch (*error*)

Inconsistent number of input images

FileMismatch (*error*)

Inconsistent instruments or bands

FileMismatch (*error*)

Number of detector masks not equal number of instruments

MissingAttribute (*warning*)

corrective action: Keyword will not be copied to output file



6 Input Files

1. PPS product (from task EEXPMAP): EPIC exposure images (one per instrument)
2. from task ESPLINEMAP: Spline background maps (one per instrument per energy band)
3. from task EMASK: Detection masks (one per instrument)

7 Output Files

1. PPS product : EPIC sensitivity image

8 Algorithm

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subroutine esensmap
  Loop over image pixels:
    Loop over input images:
      IF detection mask == 1
        Accumulate background in 3 x 3 pixel detection cell
        Determine exposure in detection cell
      END IF
    END Loop

    Evaluate cumulative Poissonian distribution
    Subtract background and divide by exposure
    Correct for fraction of PSF outside of the detection cell

    IF exposure in pixel /= 0: Write result to output sensitivity map
  END Loop
end subroutine esensmap
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9 Comments

10 Future developments

References