



 AHELP for CIAO 3.4

xsvnei

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Synopsis

Non-equilibrium ionization collisional plasma model with variable abundances. XSpec model.

Description

Non-equilibrium ionization collisional plasma model. This assumes a constant temperature and single ionization parameter. It provides a characterisation of the spectrum but is not a physical model. The references for this model can be found in the help file for the xsequil model ("ahelp xsequil").

xsvnei Parameters

Number	Name	Description
1	kT	plasma temperature in keV
2	H	hydrogen density in cm^{-3}
3–13	(element)	abundances for He, C, N, O, Ne, Mg, Si, S, Ca, Fe, Ni with respect to Solar. Abundances are set by the xspecabundan command.
14	Tau	ionization timescale in units of s/cm^3
15	redshift	redshift, z
16	norm	$10^{-14} / (4 \pi (D_A(1+z))^2) \int n_e n_H dV$, where D_A is the angular size distance to the source (cm), n_e is the electron density (cm^{-3}), and n_H is the hydrogen density (cm^{-3})

This information is taken from the [XSpec User's Guide](#). Version 11.3.1 of the XSpec models is supplied with CIAO 3.2.

Bugs

For a list of known bugs and issues with the XSPEC models, please visit the [XSPEC bugs page](#).

See Also

sherpa

