X-ray Imaging

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seriously

your new best friend

dmfiltering

data model filters

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event file

but it could be a fits image, ascii table, etc.

output file

*some **filters** will preserve the event list some will destroy it, **options** can give you more control*

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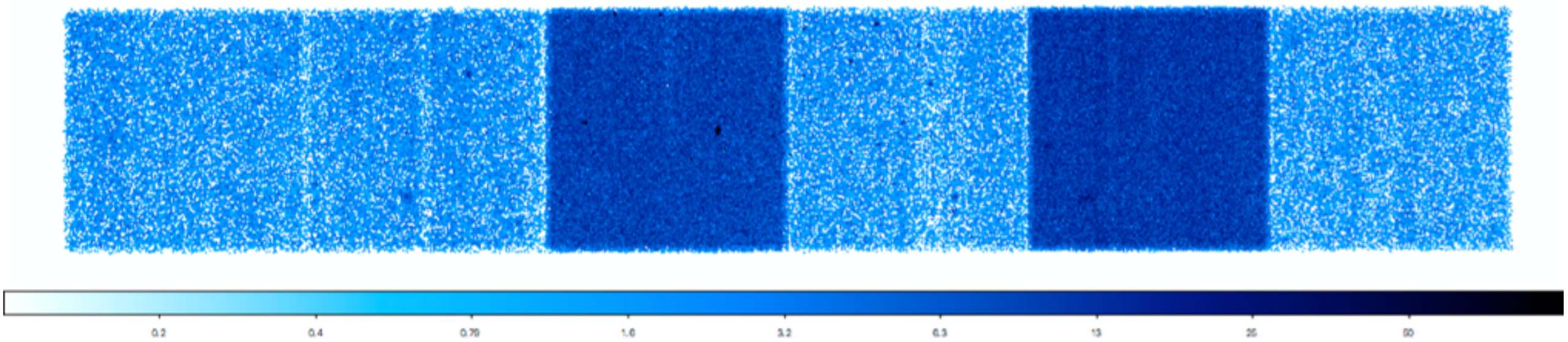

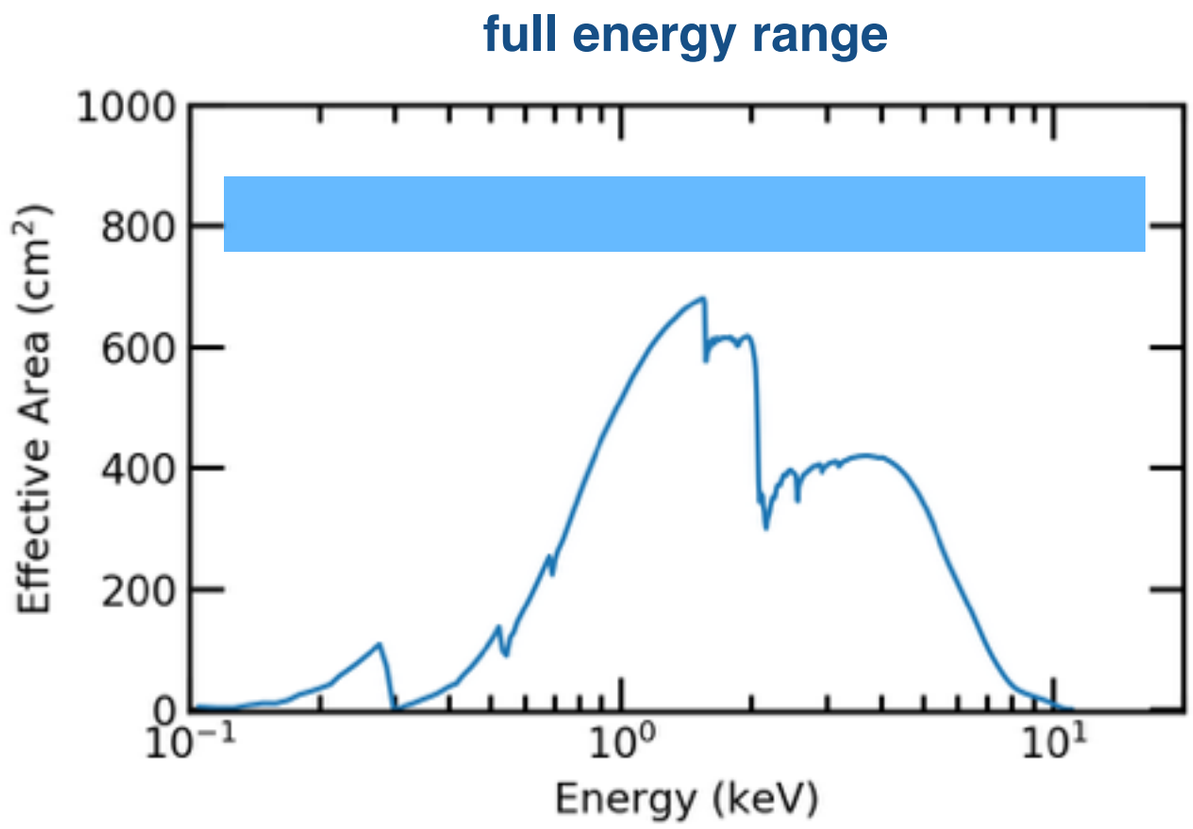

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here is the bin filter used in dmcopy

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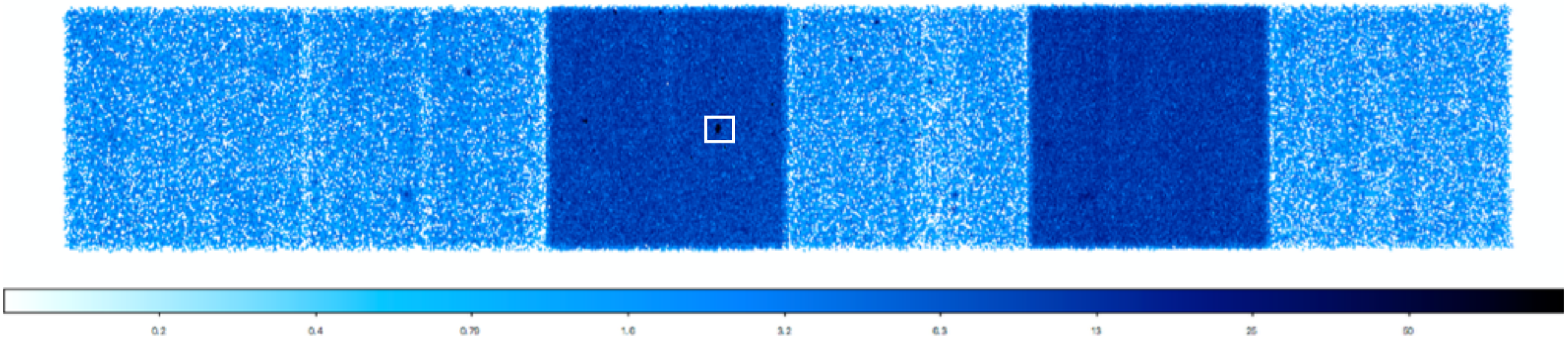

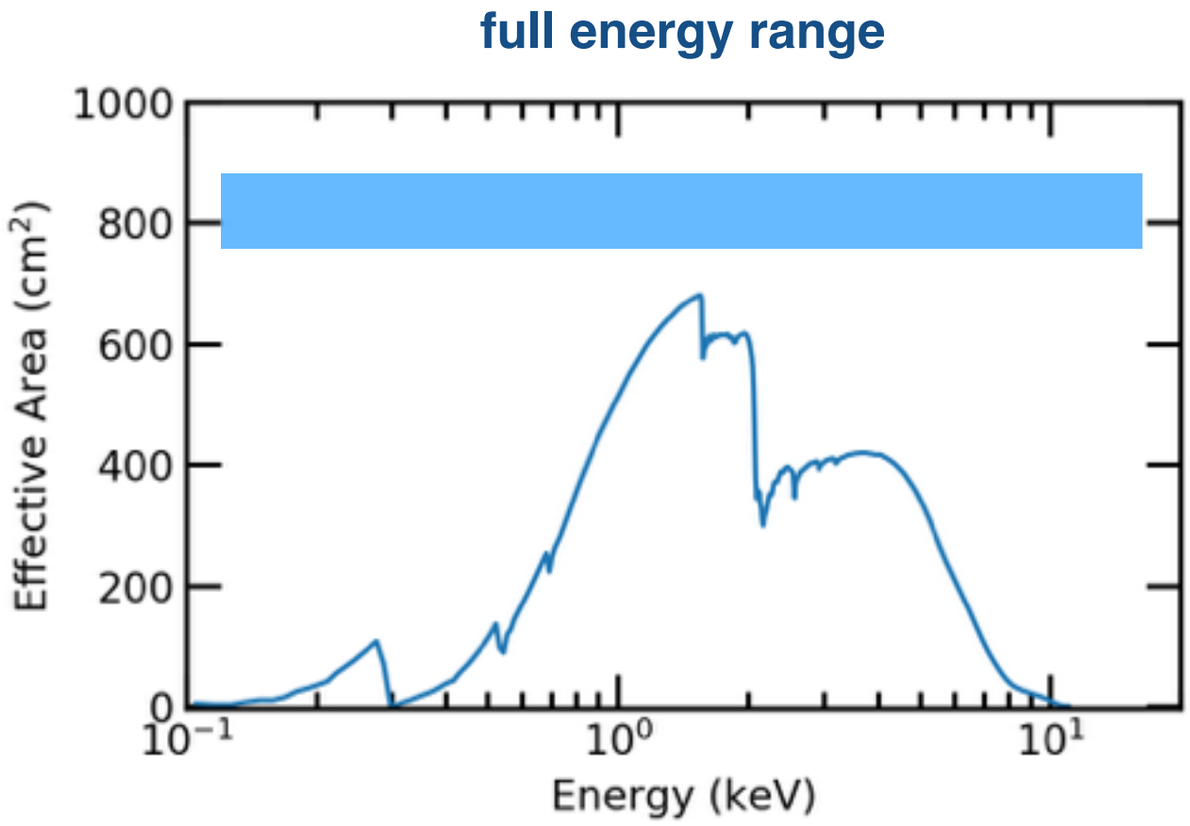

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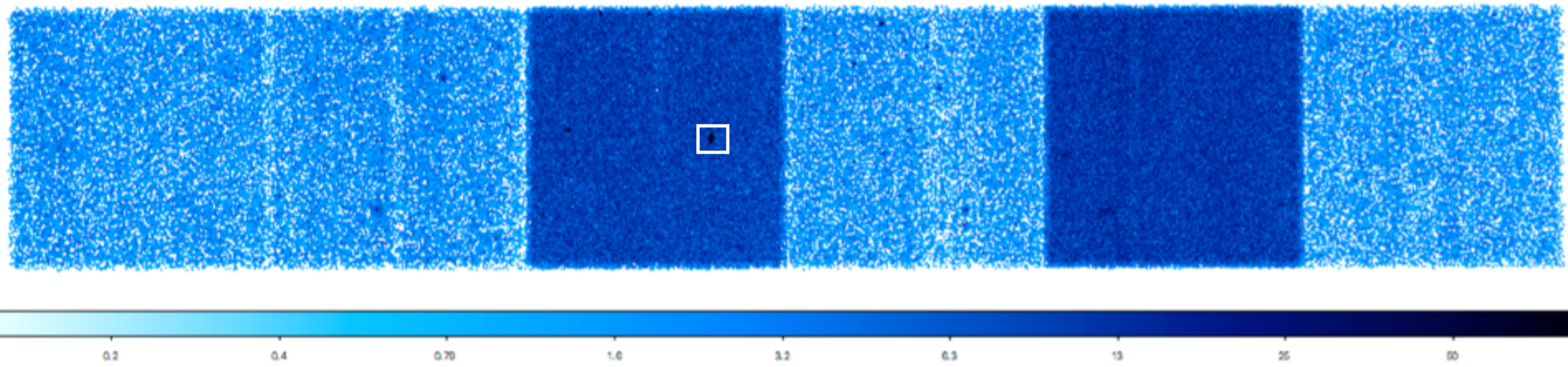

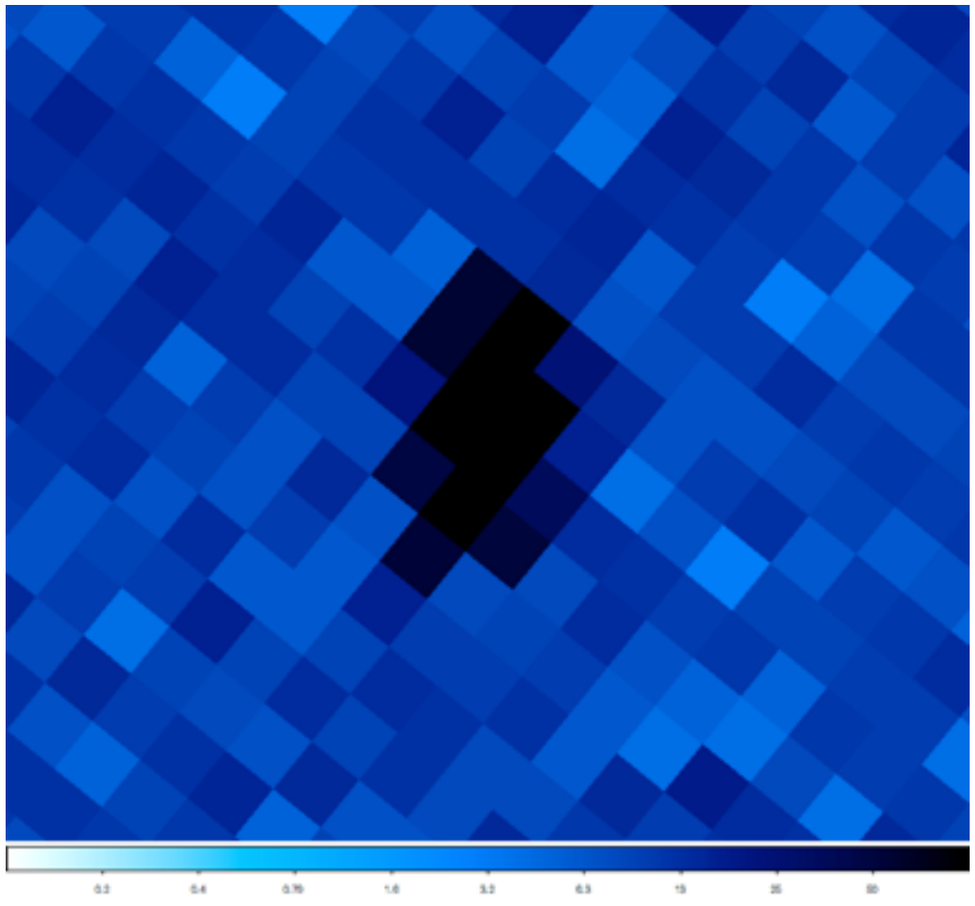

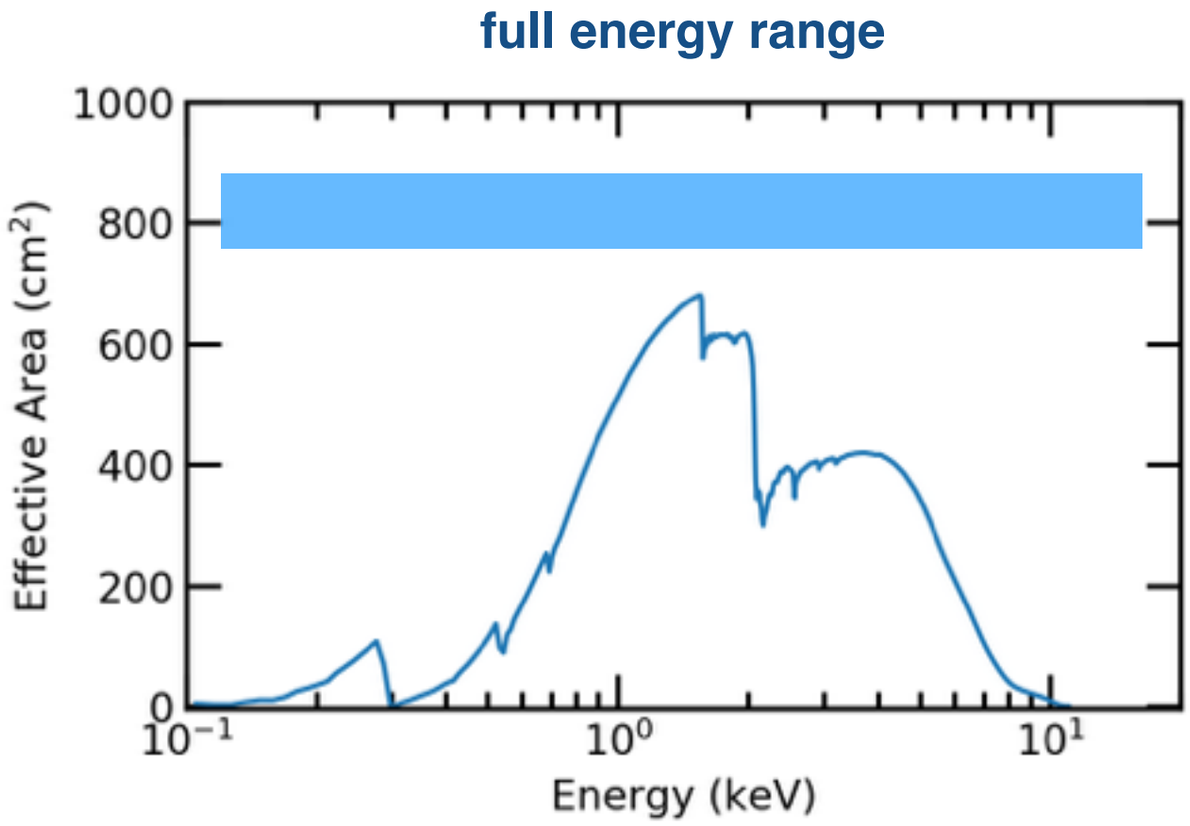

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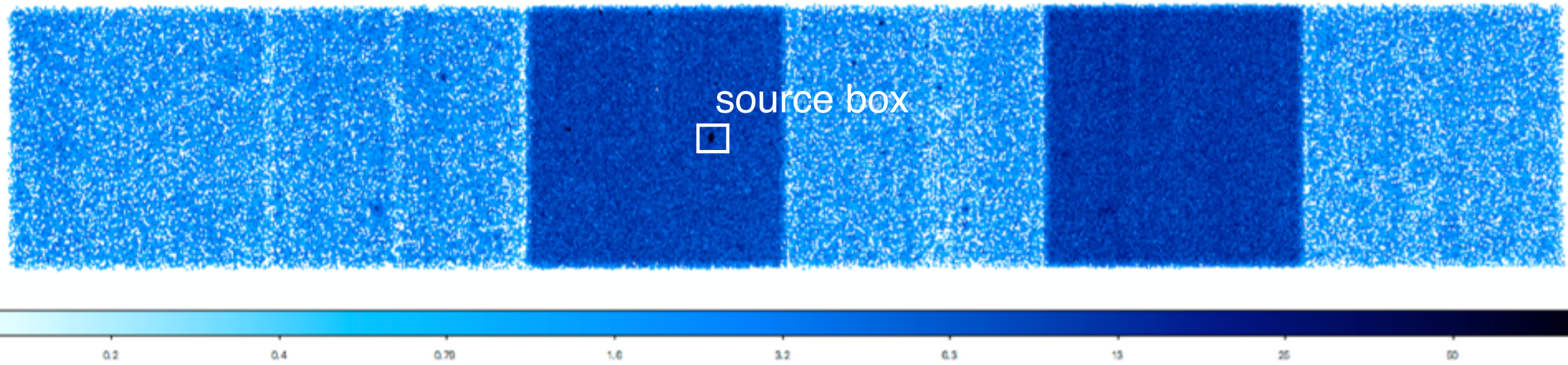

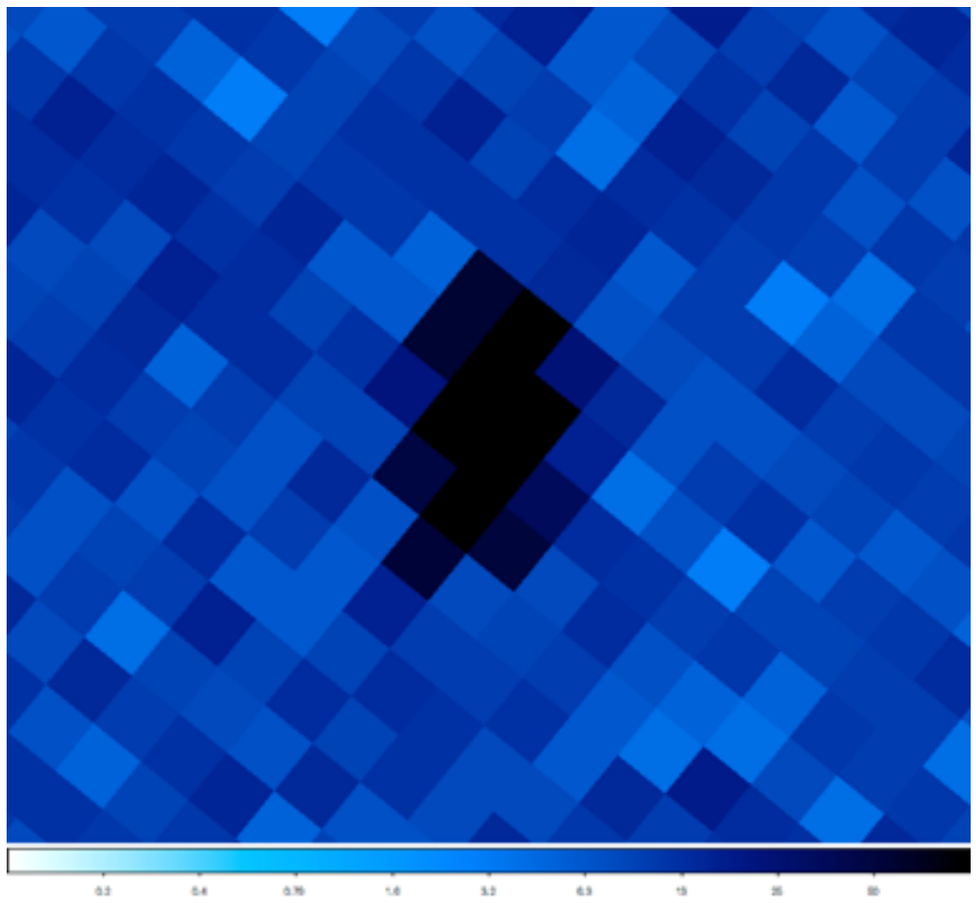

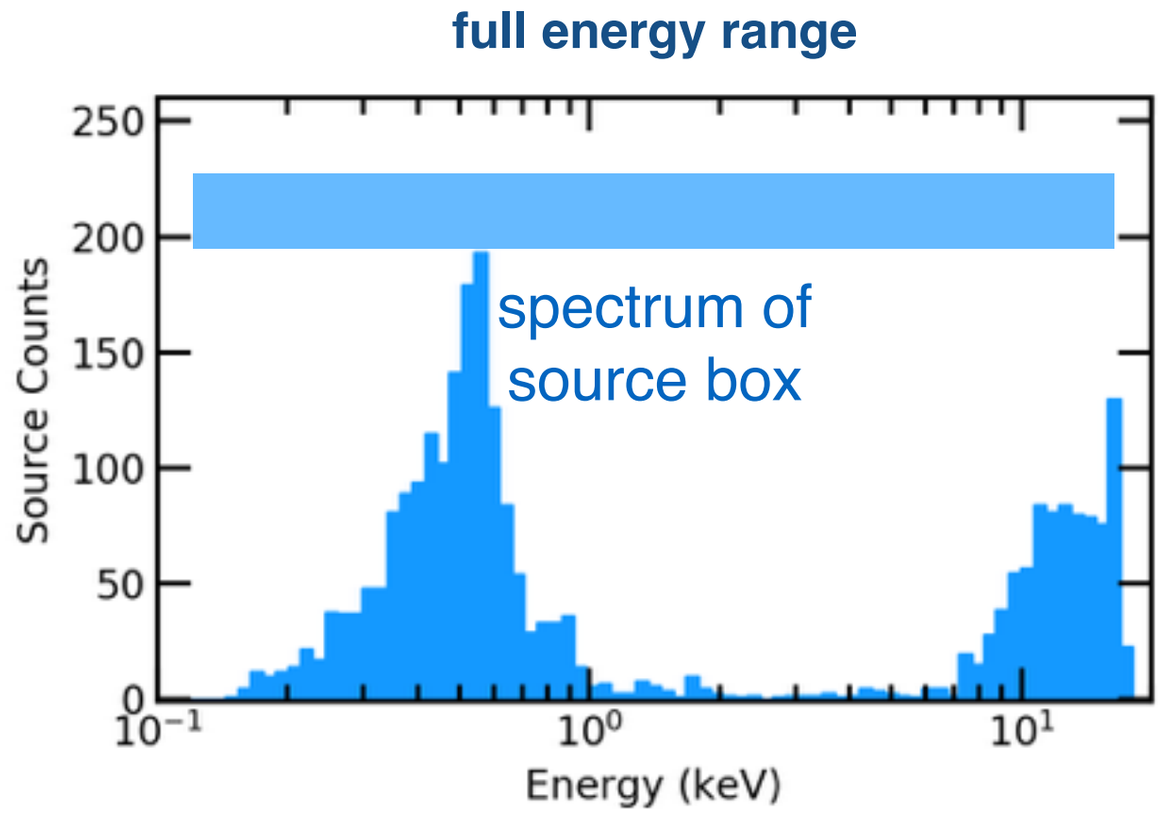

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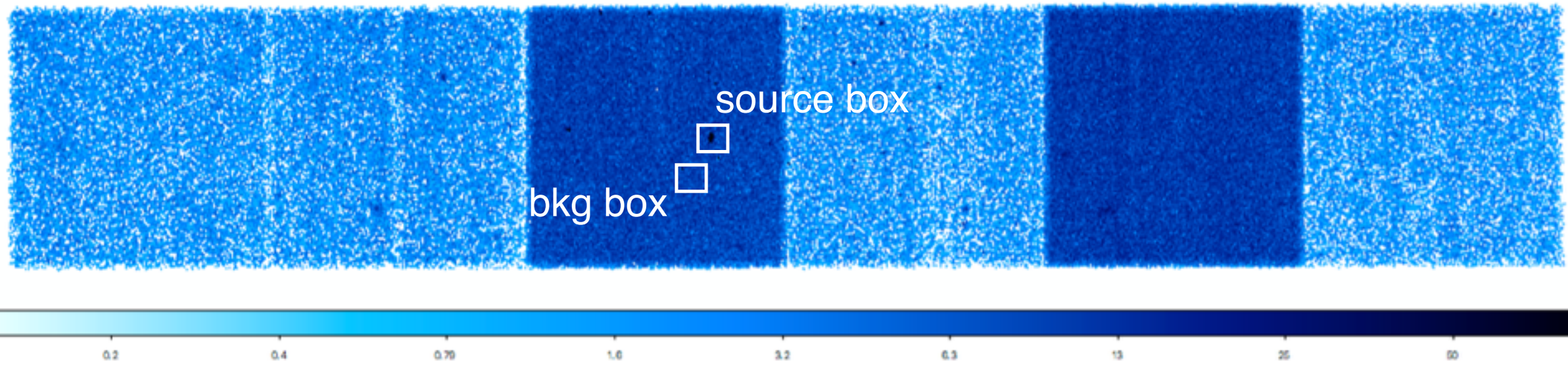

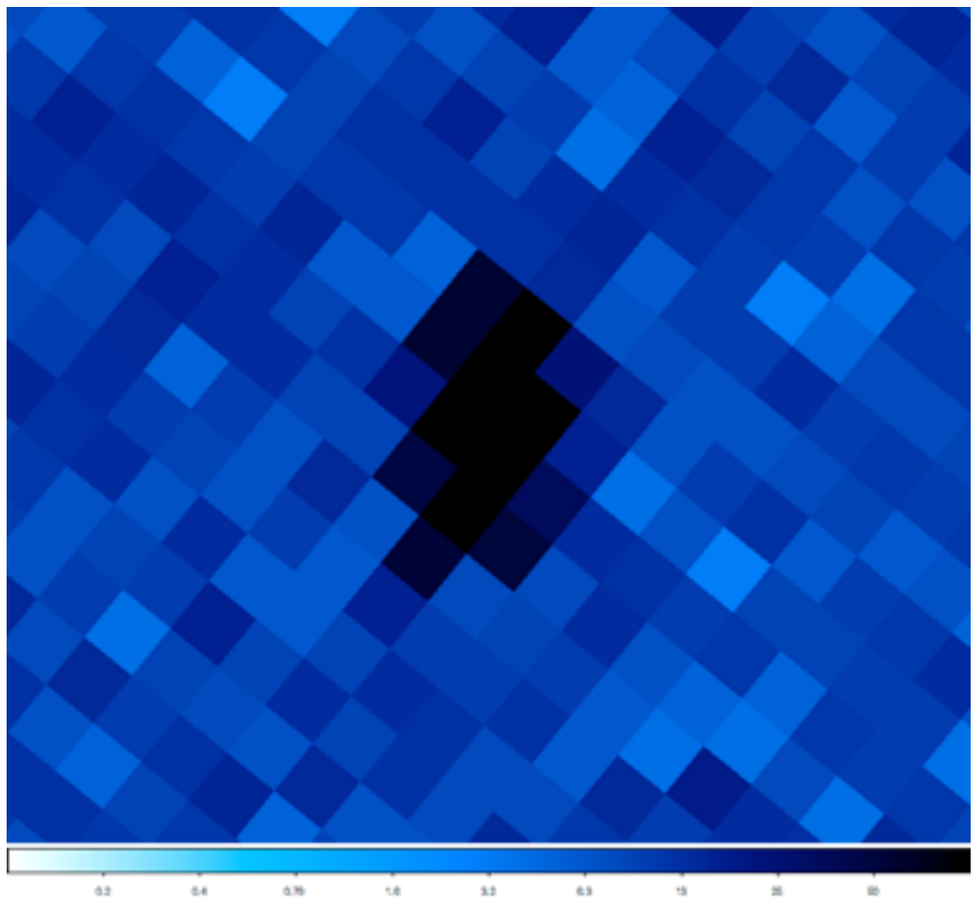

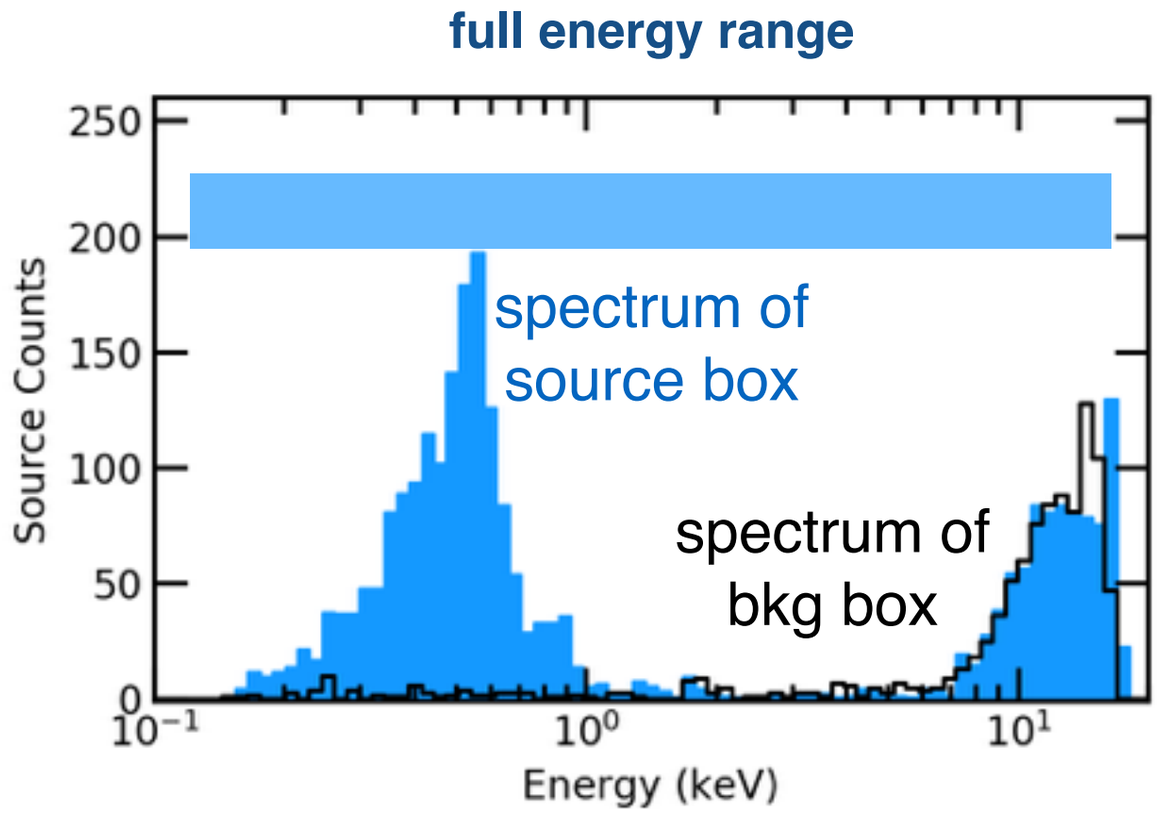

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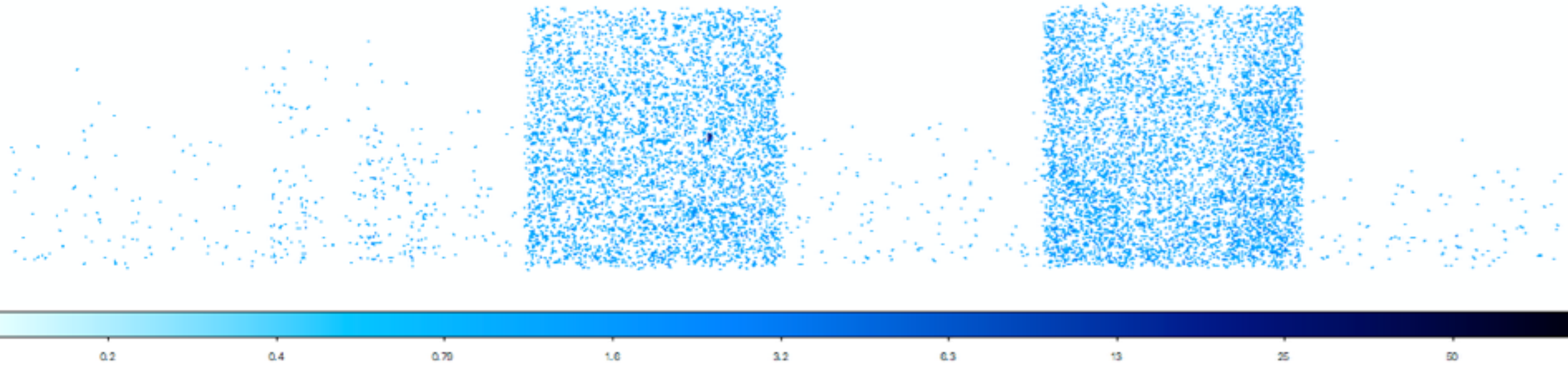

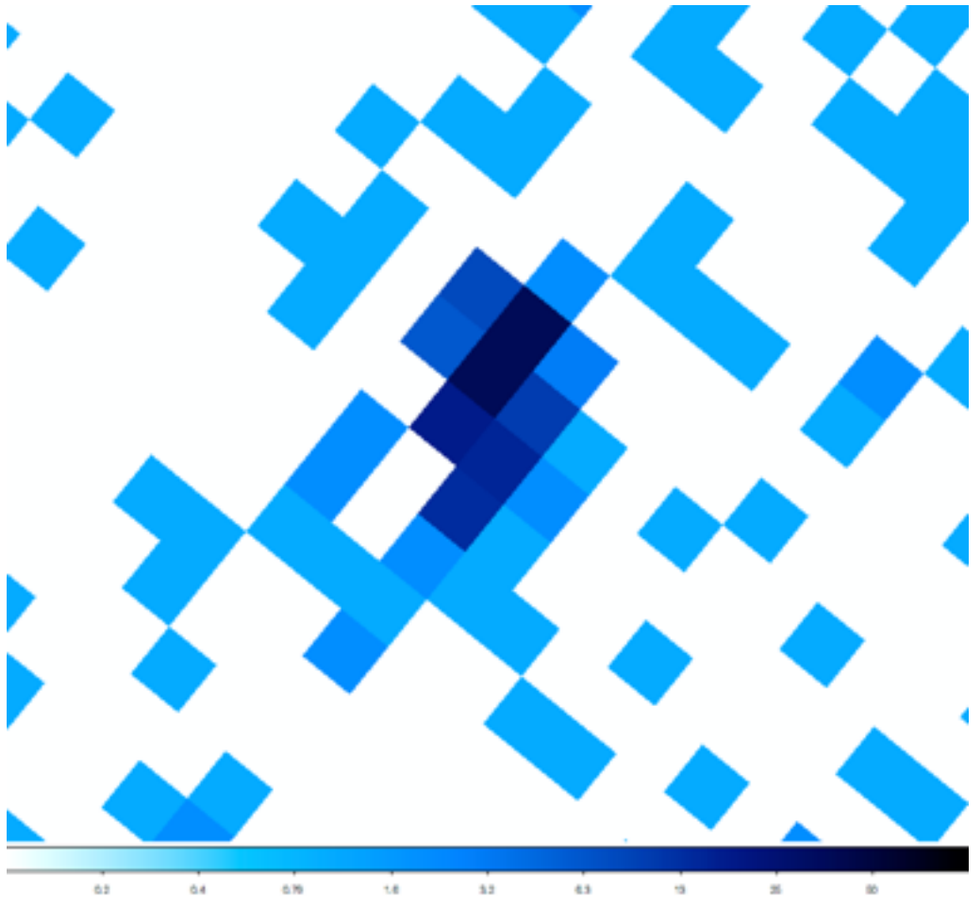

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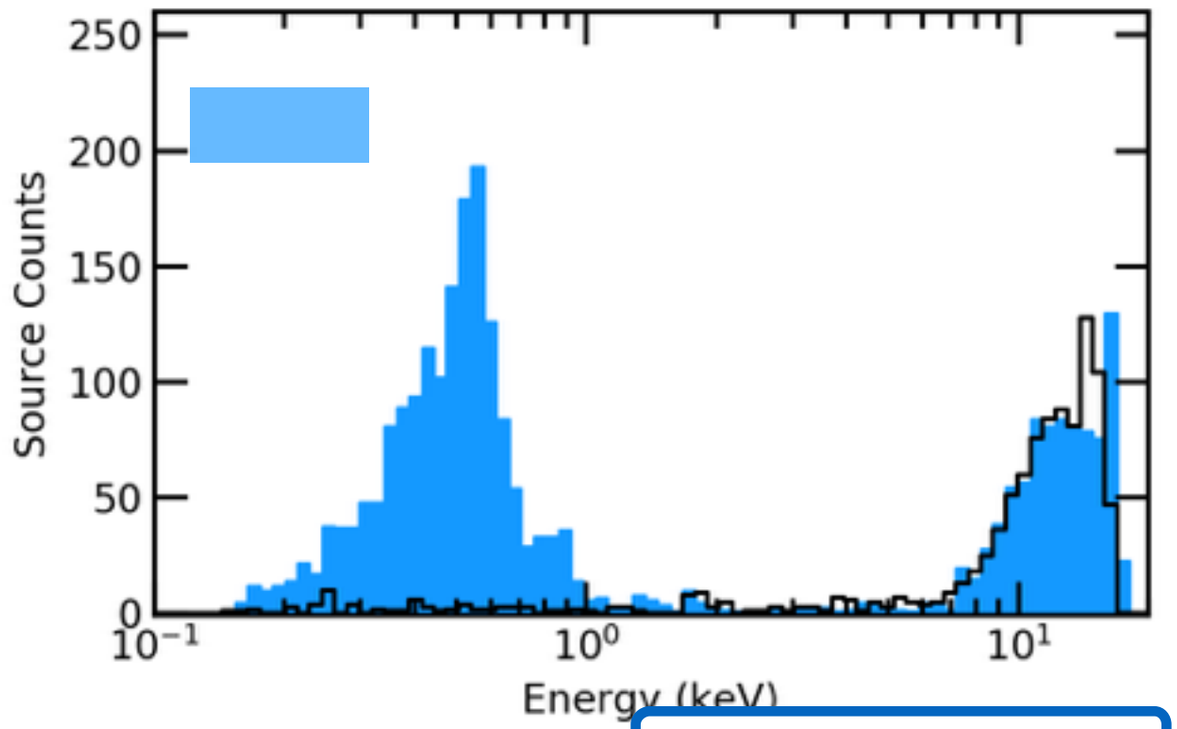
super soft E < 0.3 keV



now filtering on the energy column

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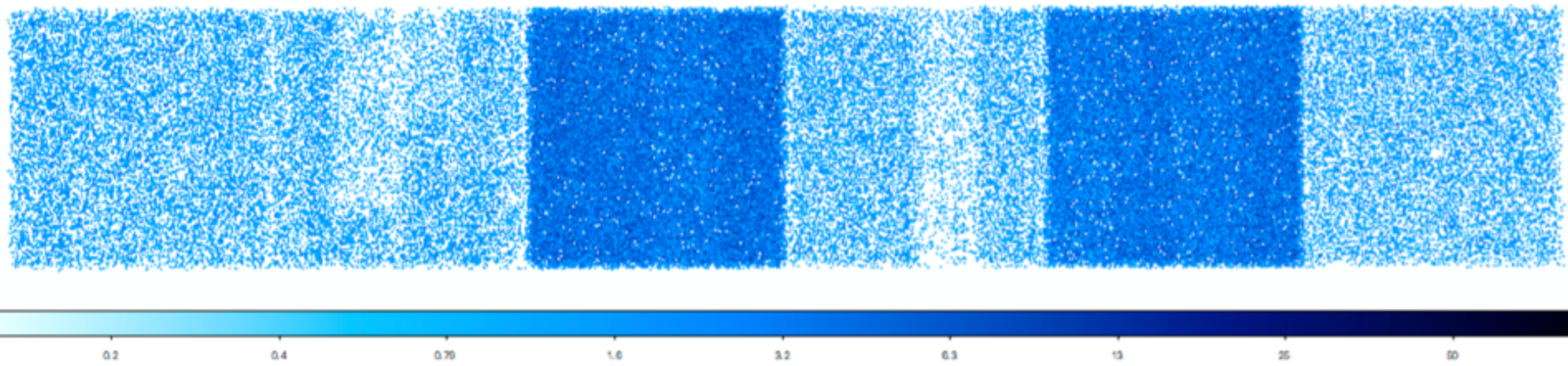
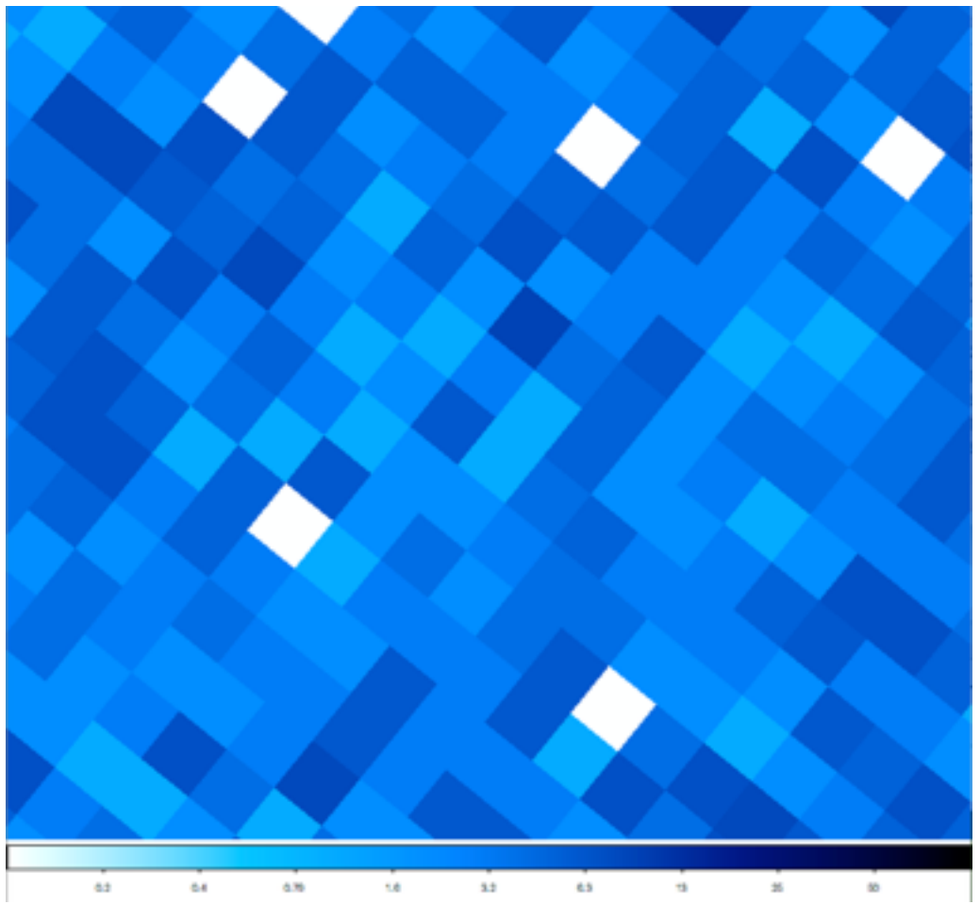
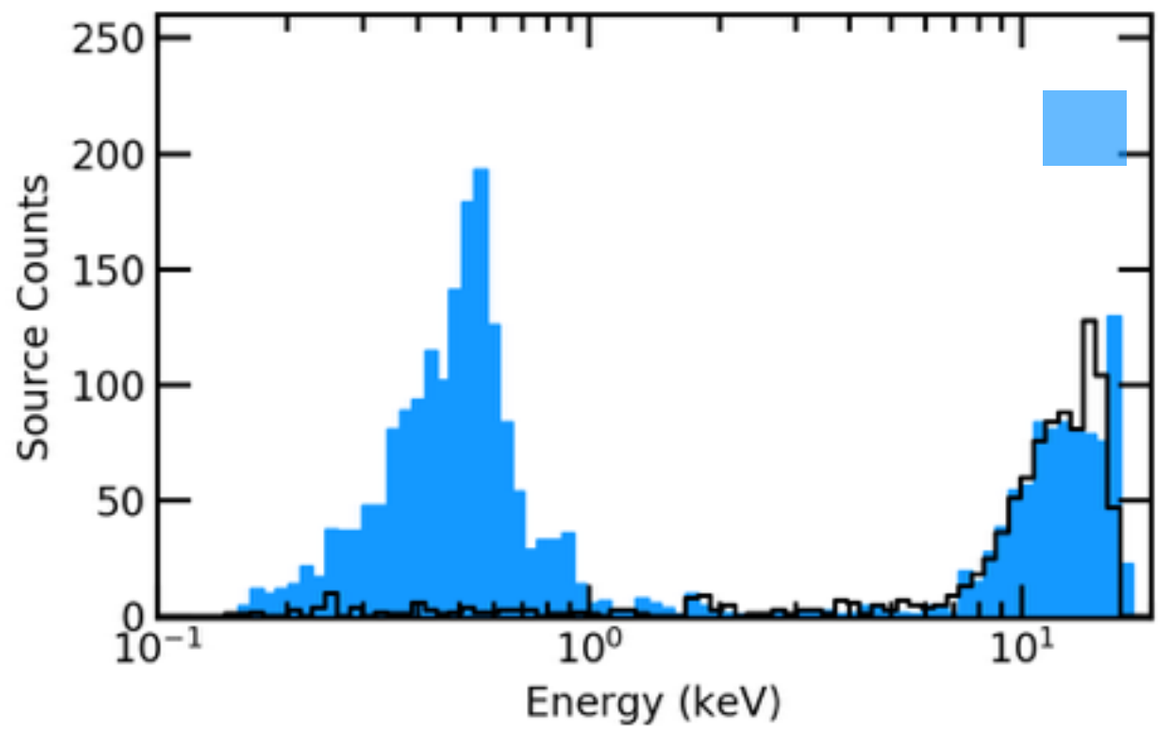




very hard E > 12 keV



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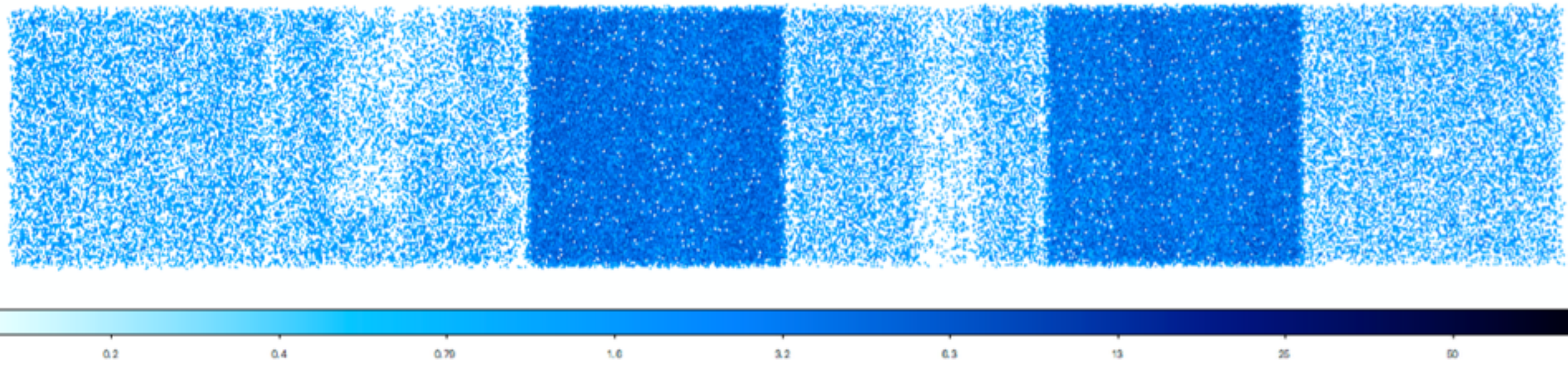

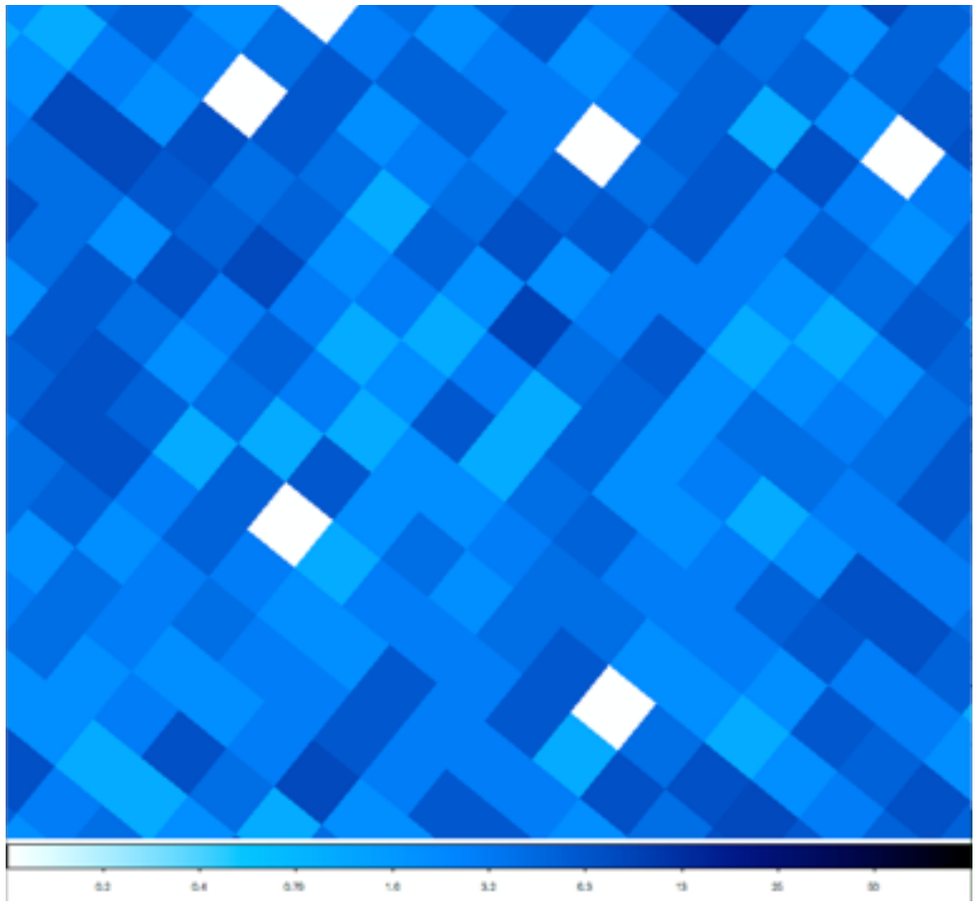

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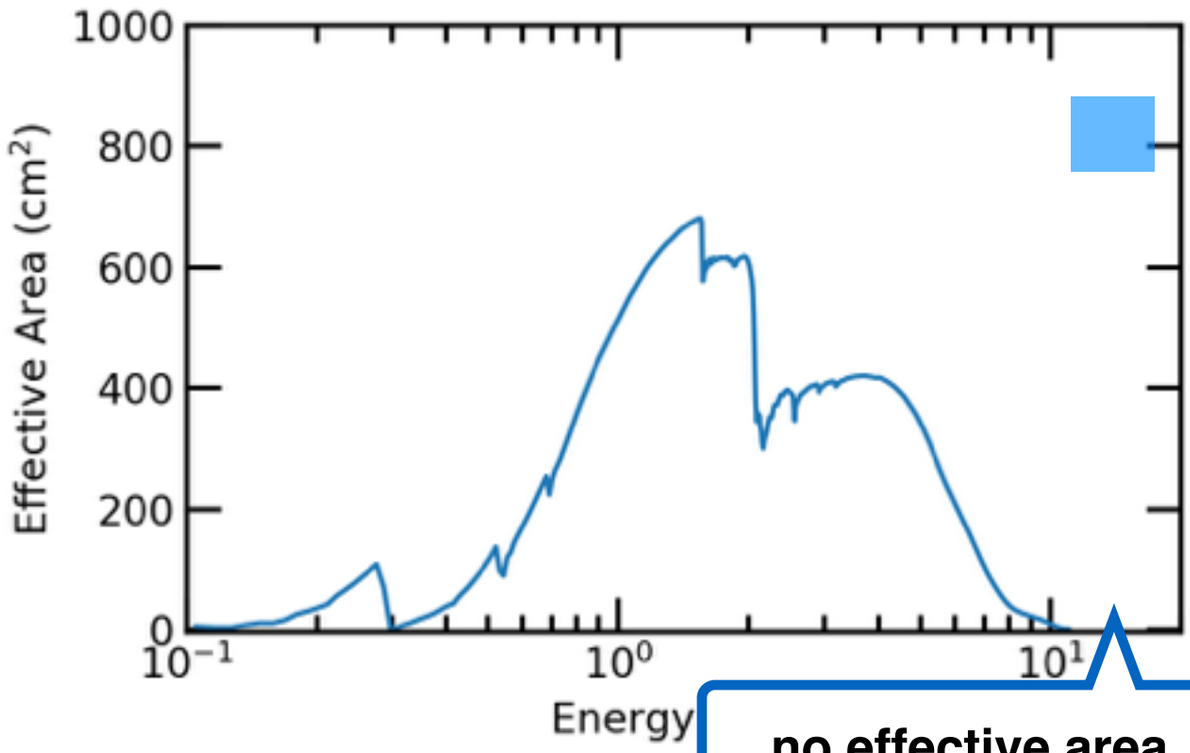

no effective area
just background

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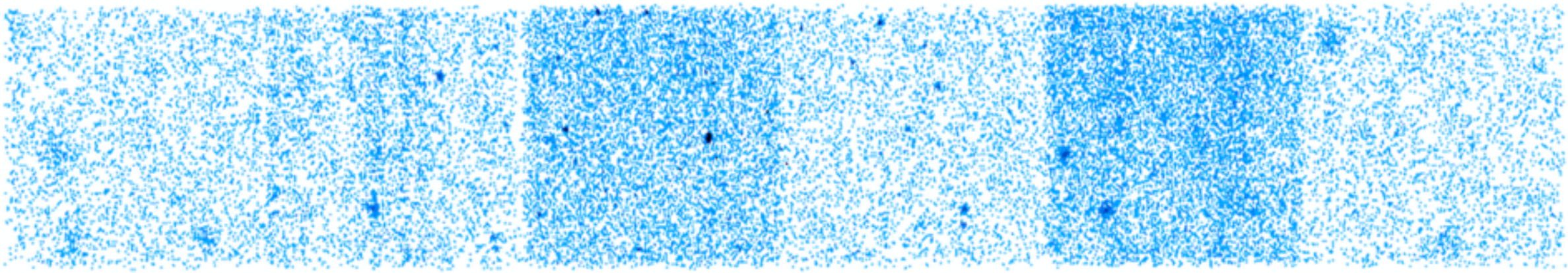

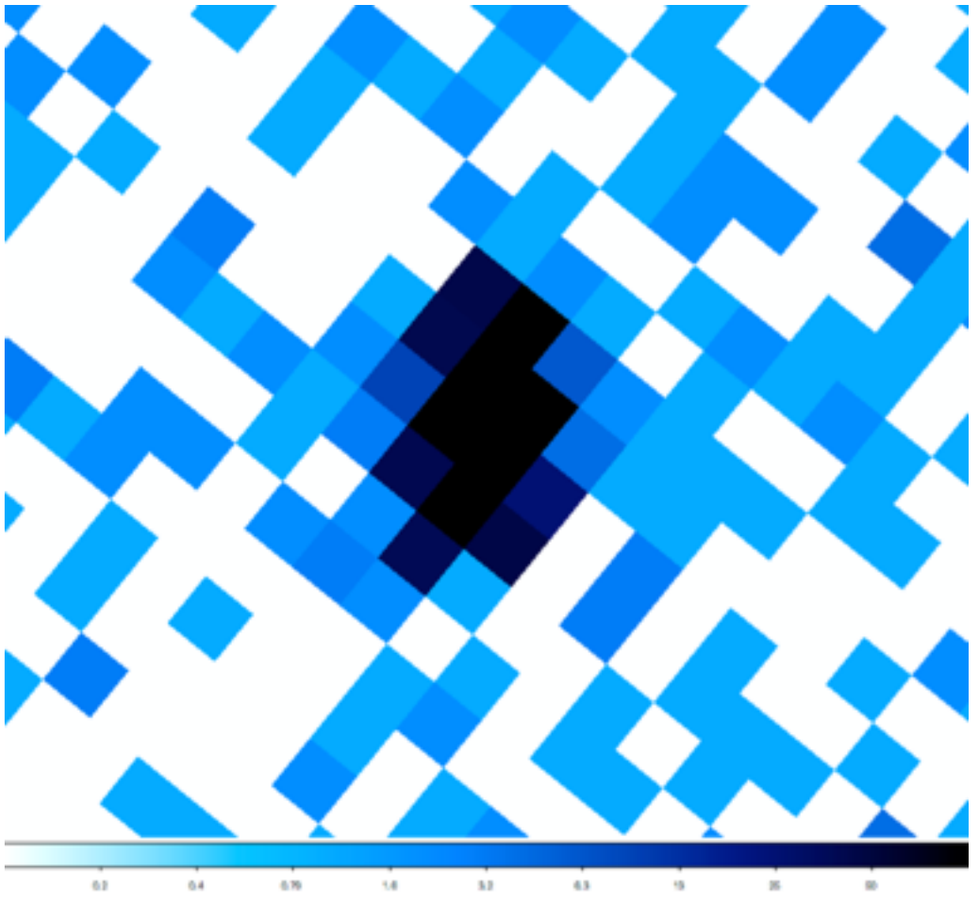

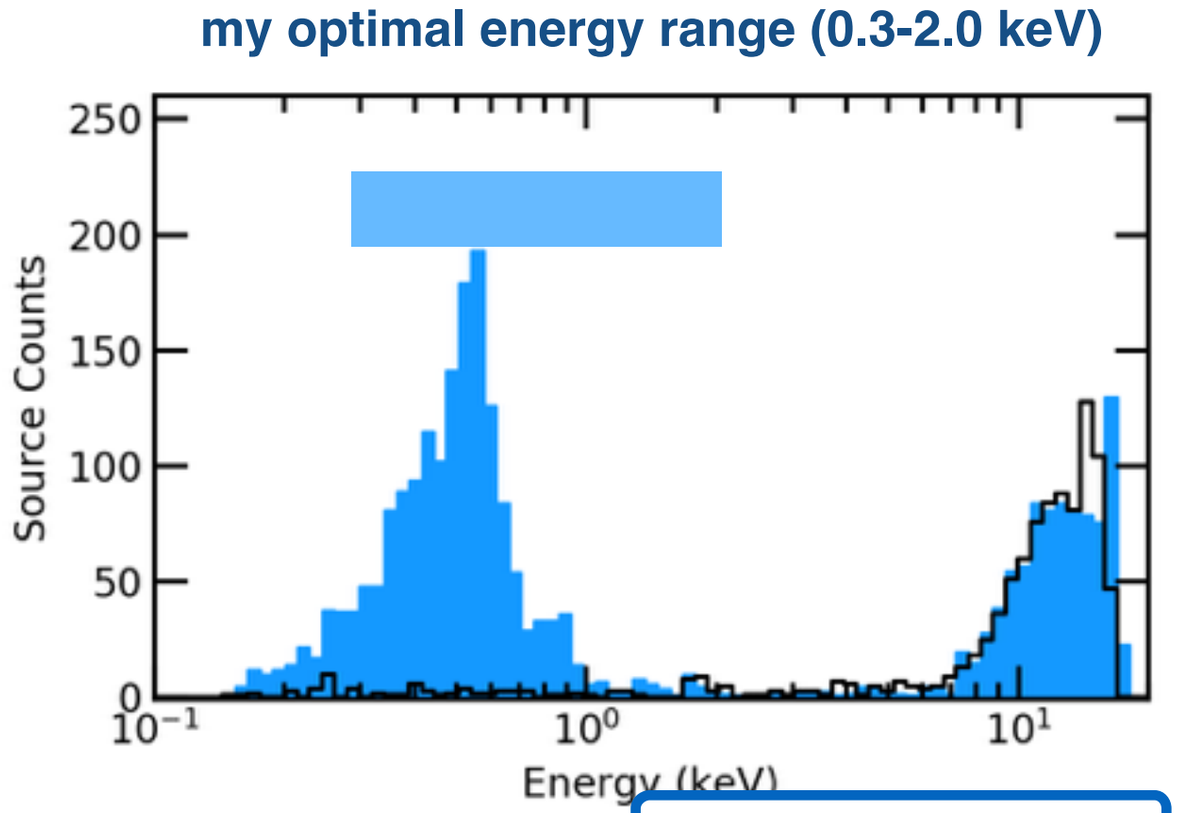

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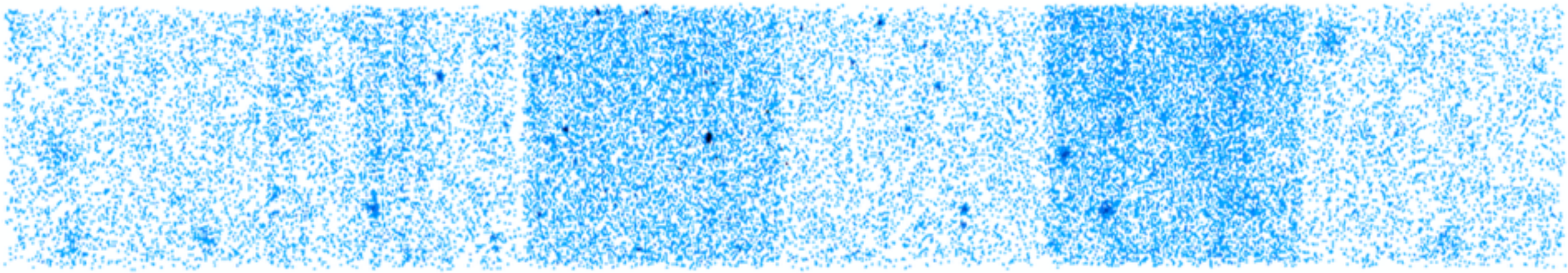

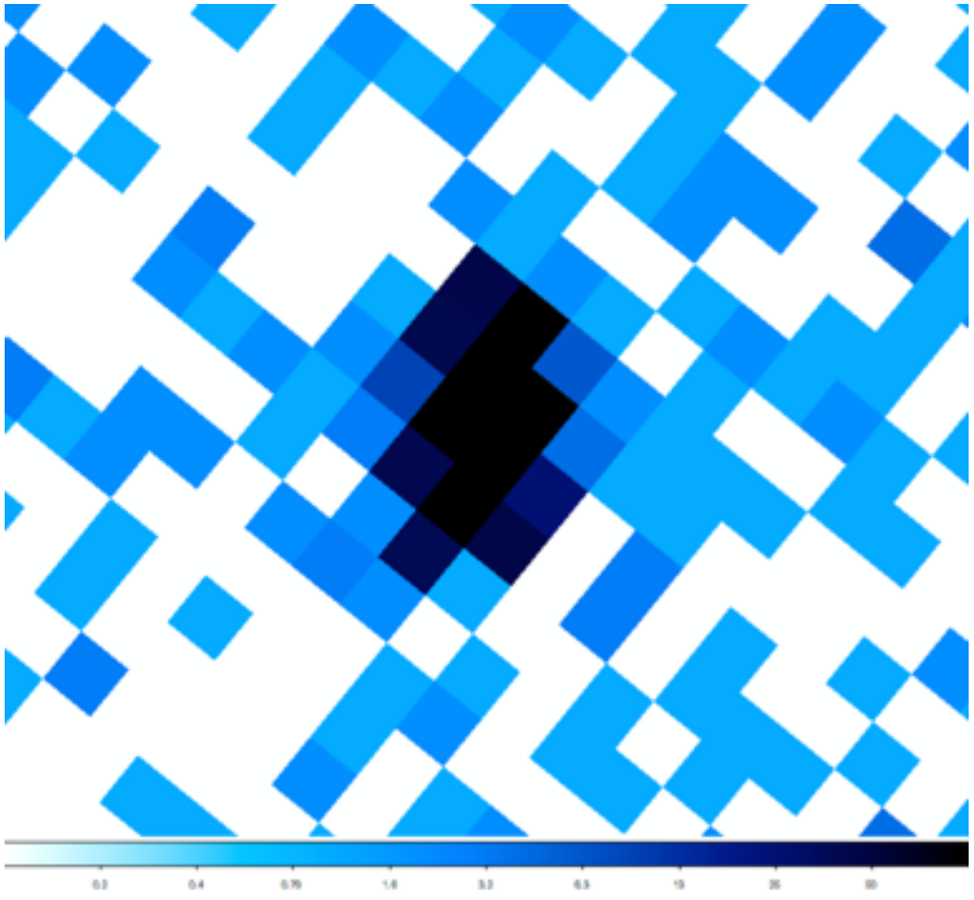

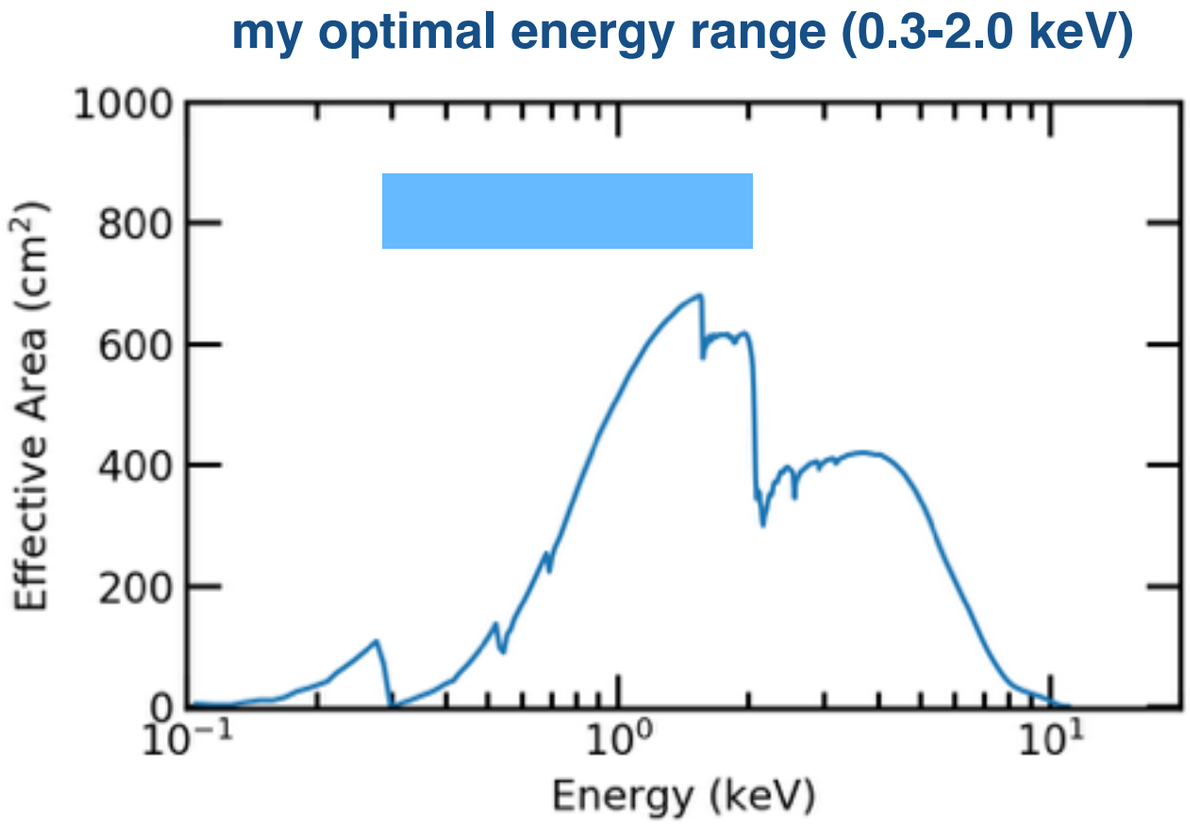

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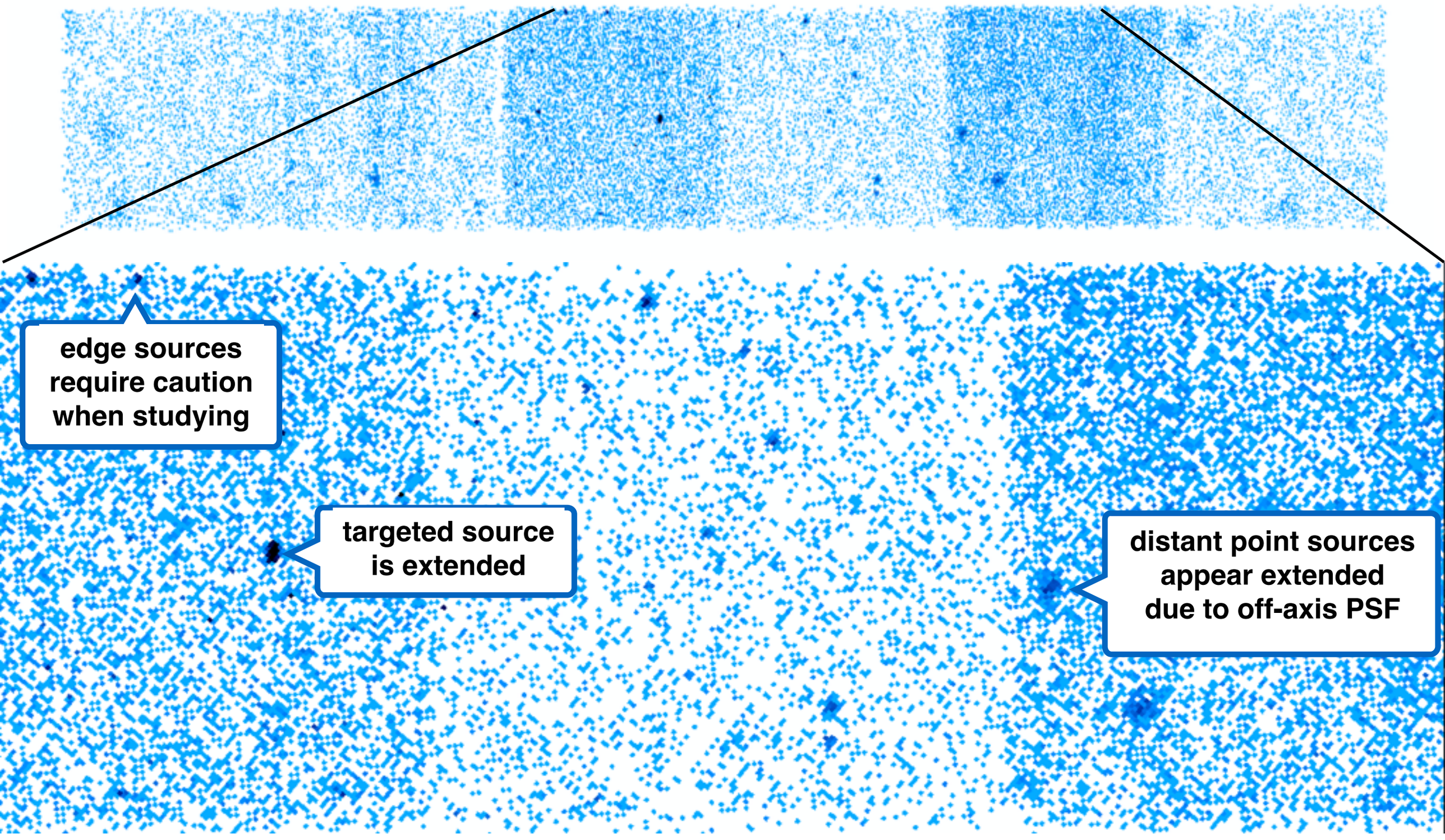

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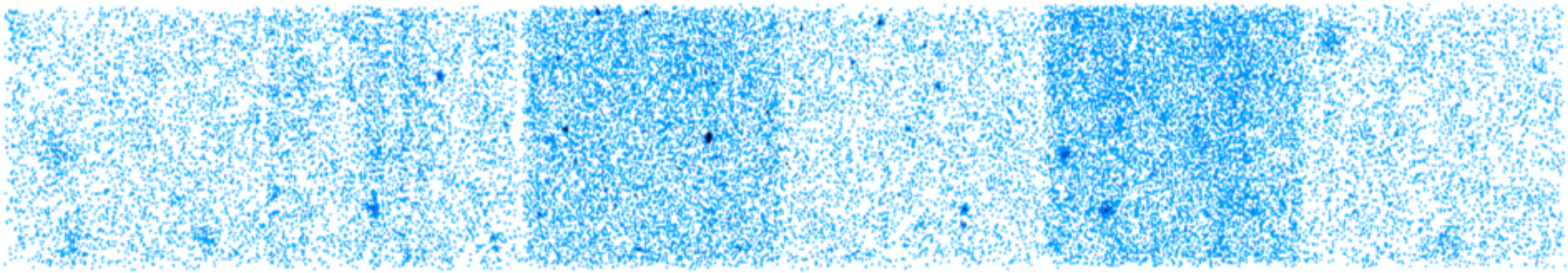

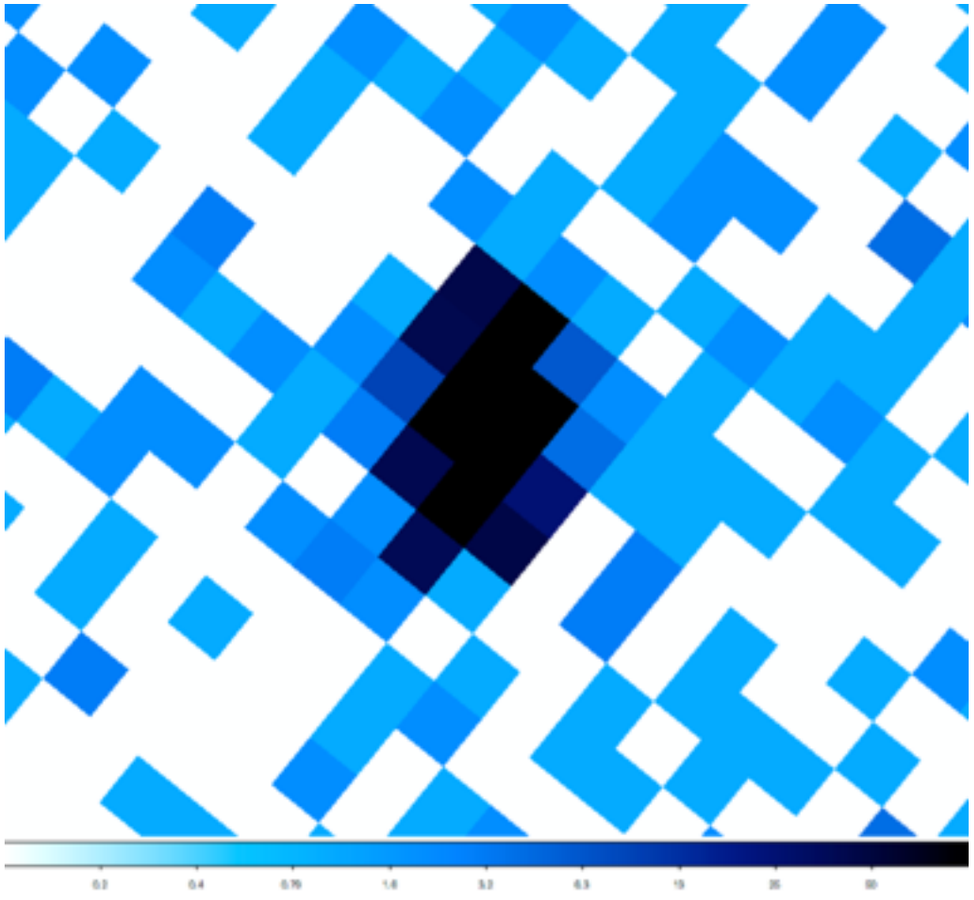

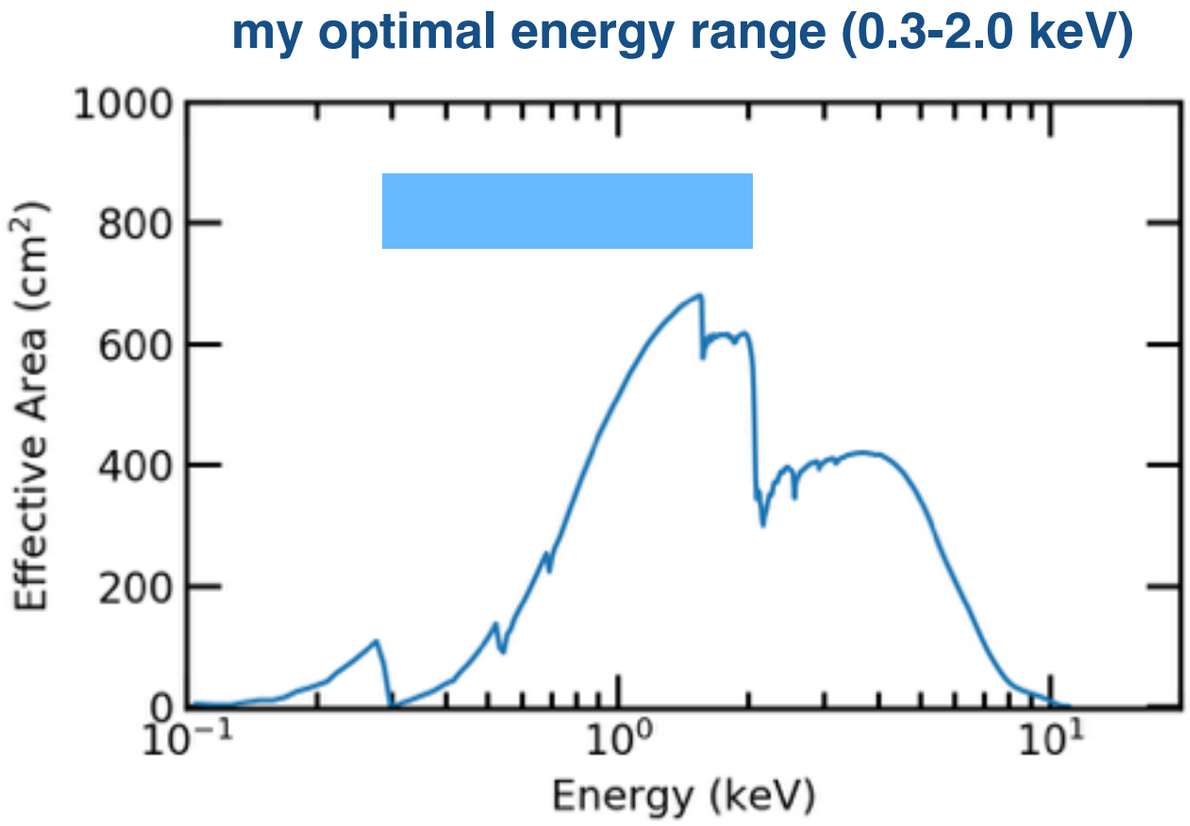

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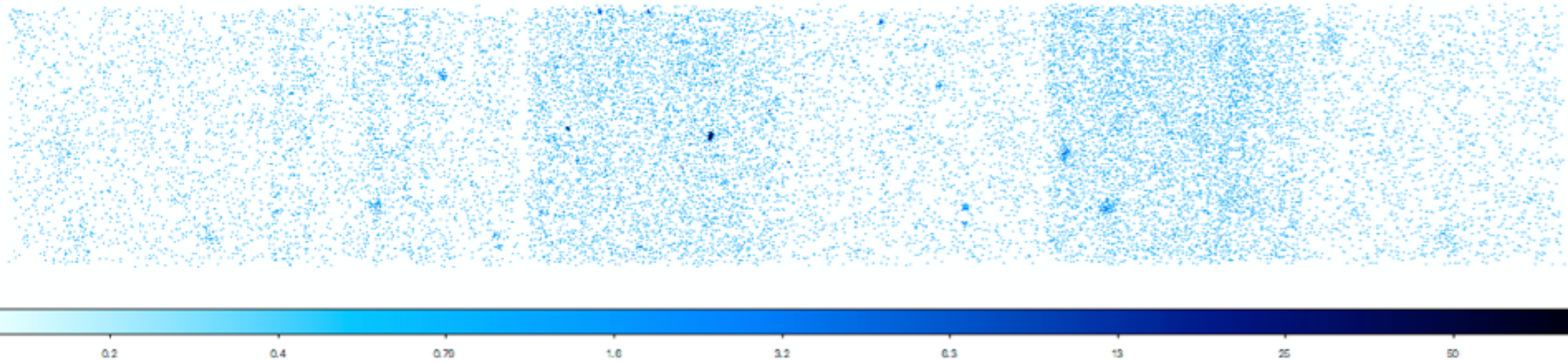

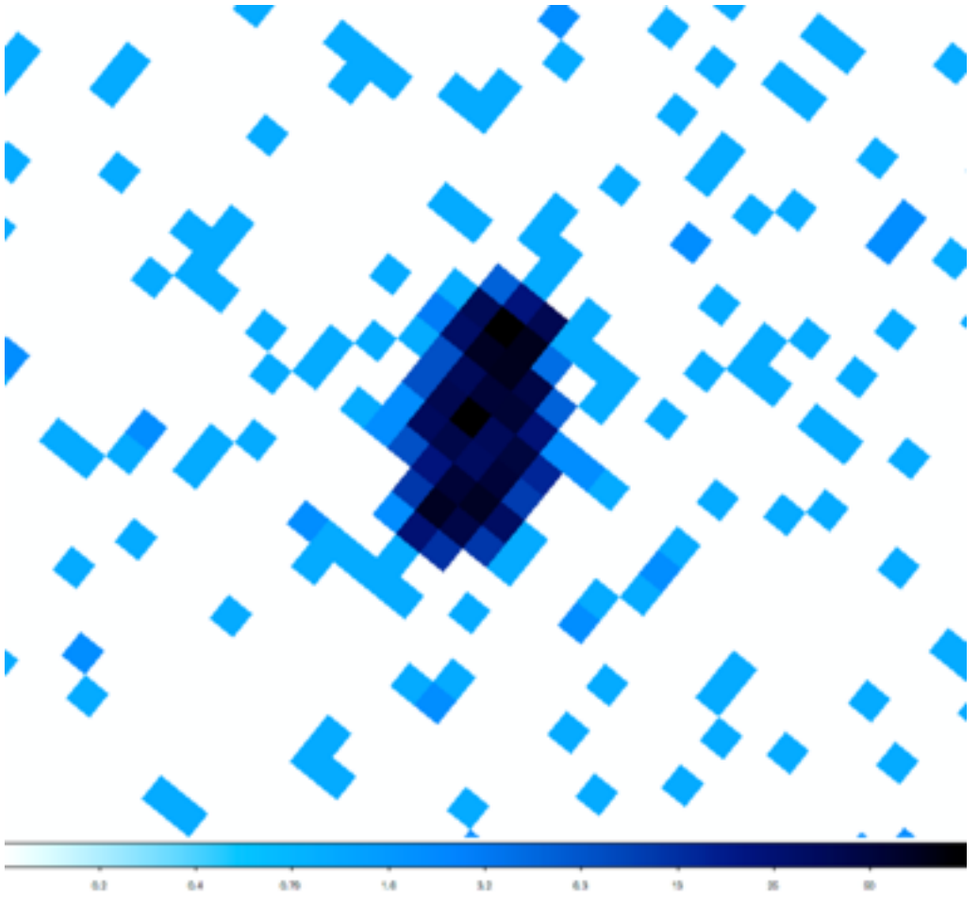

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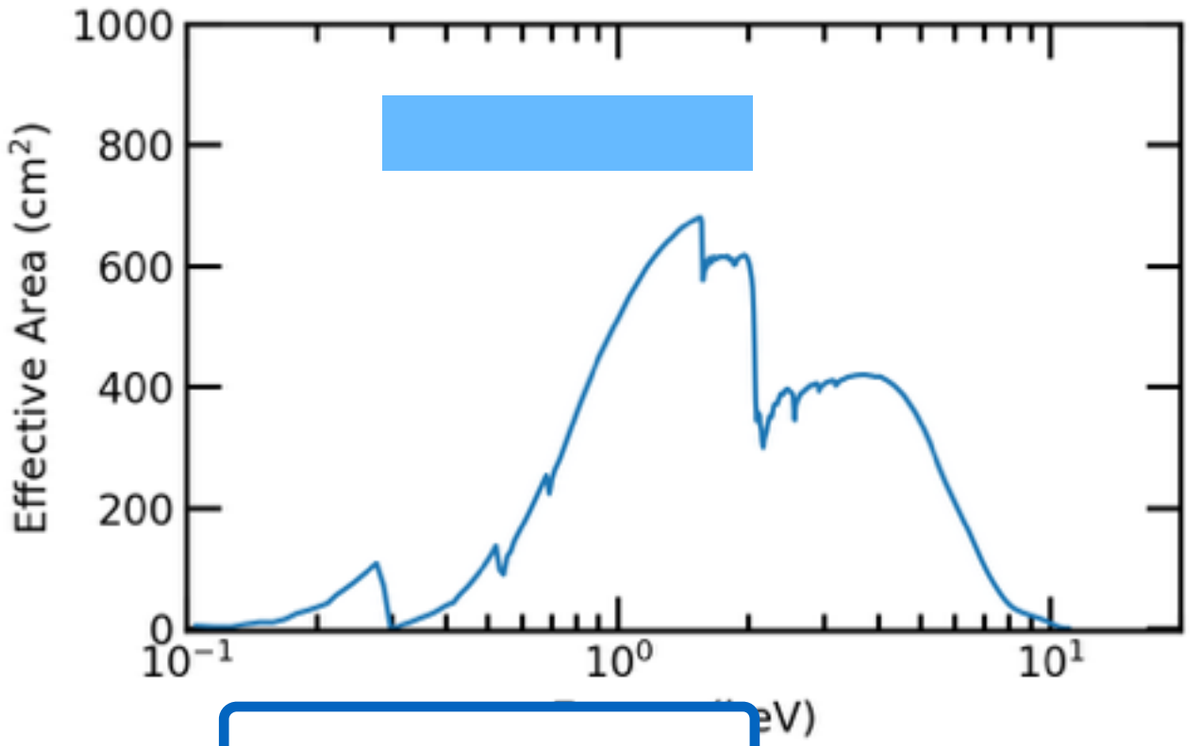
my optimal energy range (0.3-2.0 keV)



changing the binning from 8 to 4

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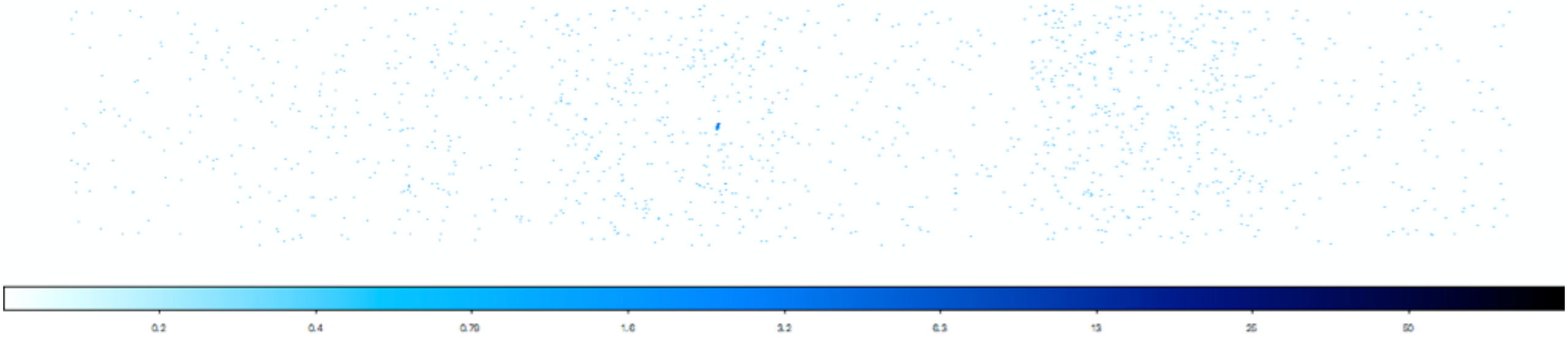

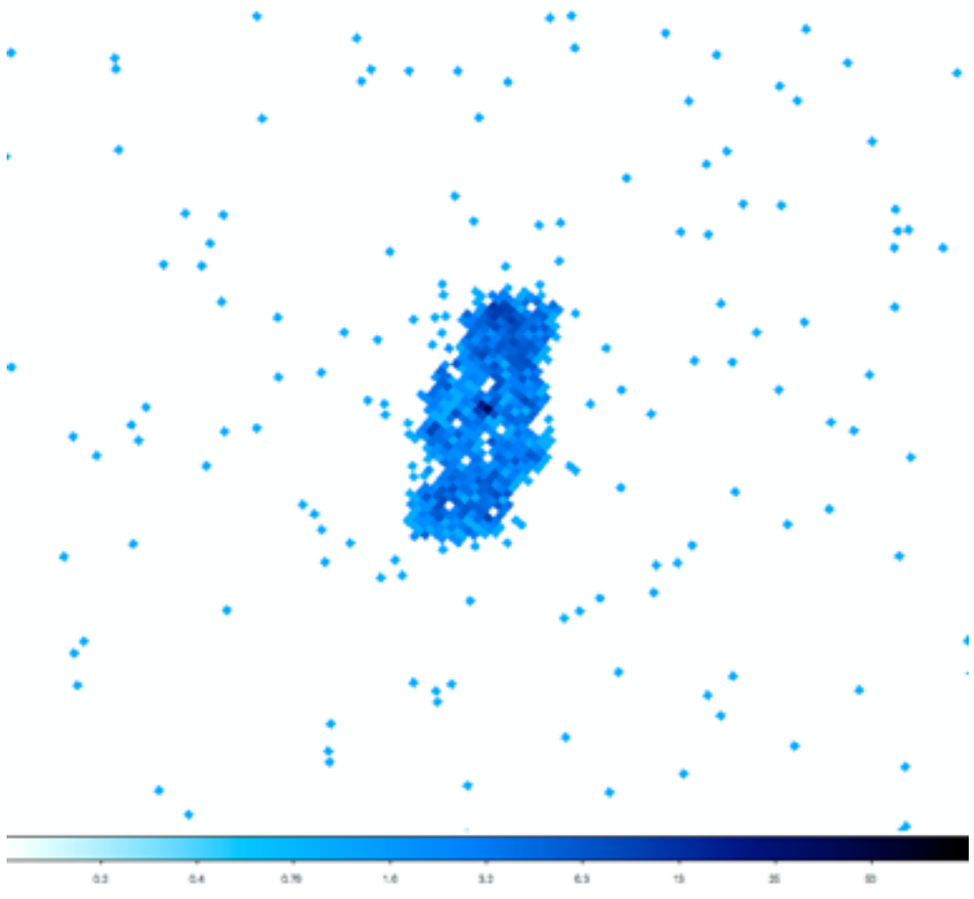

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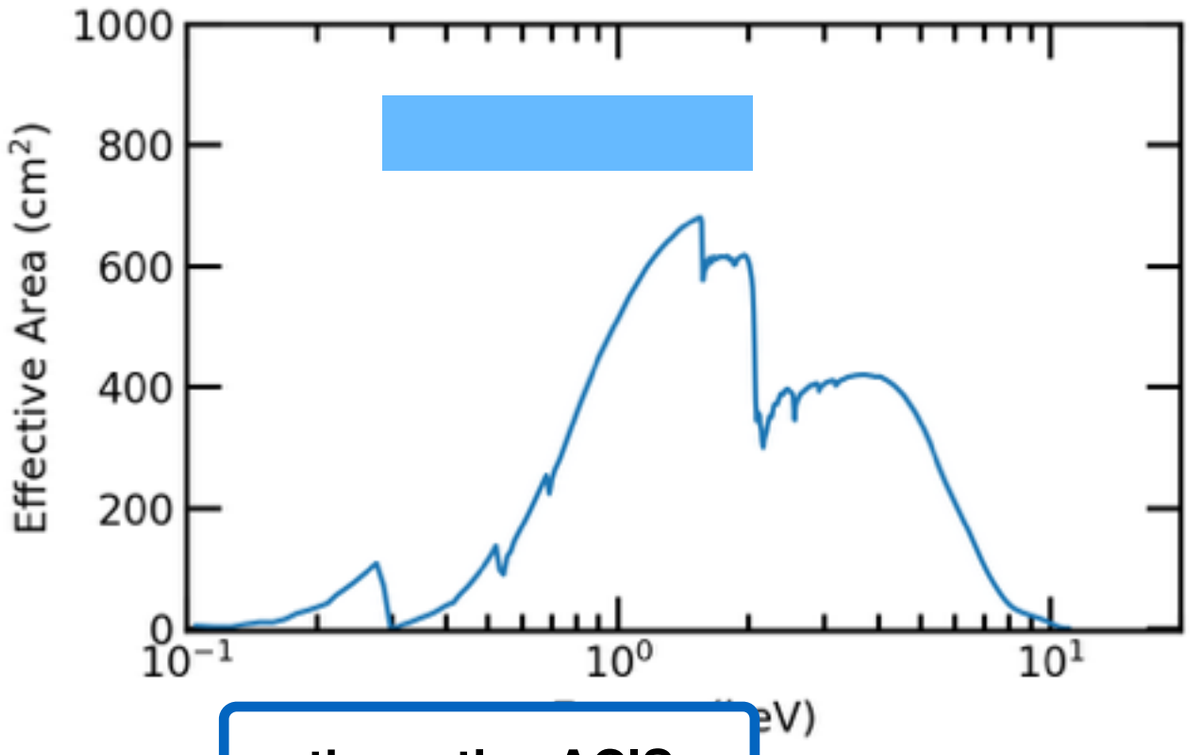

the native ACIS pixel size (0.492”)

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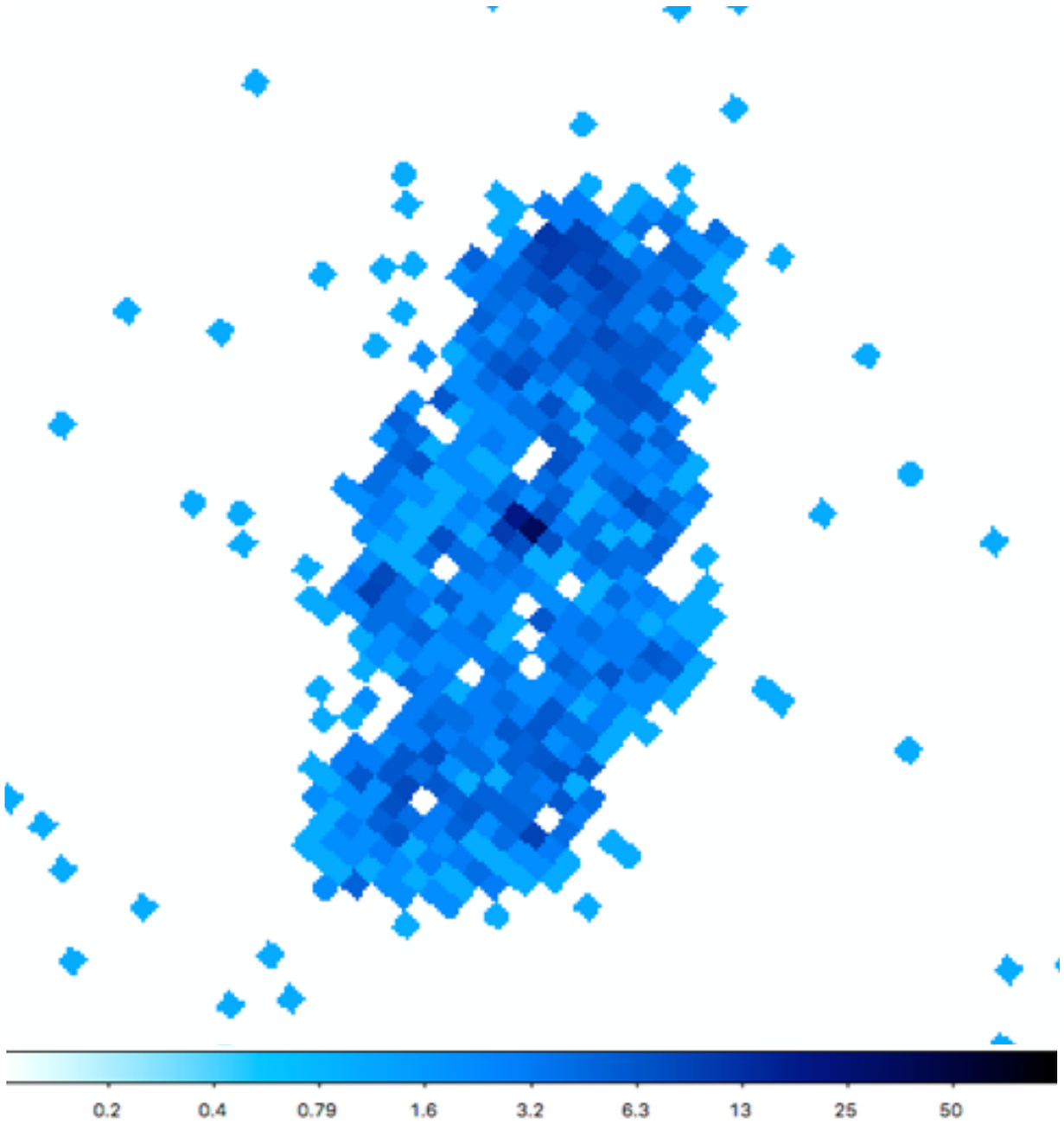

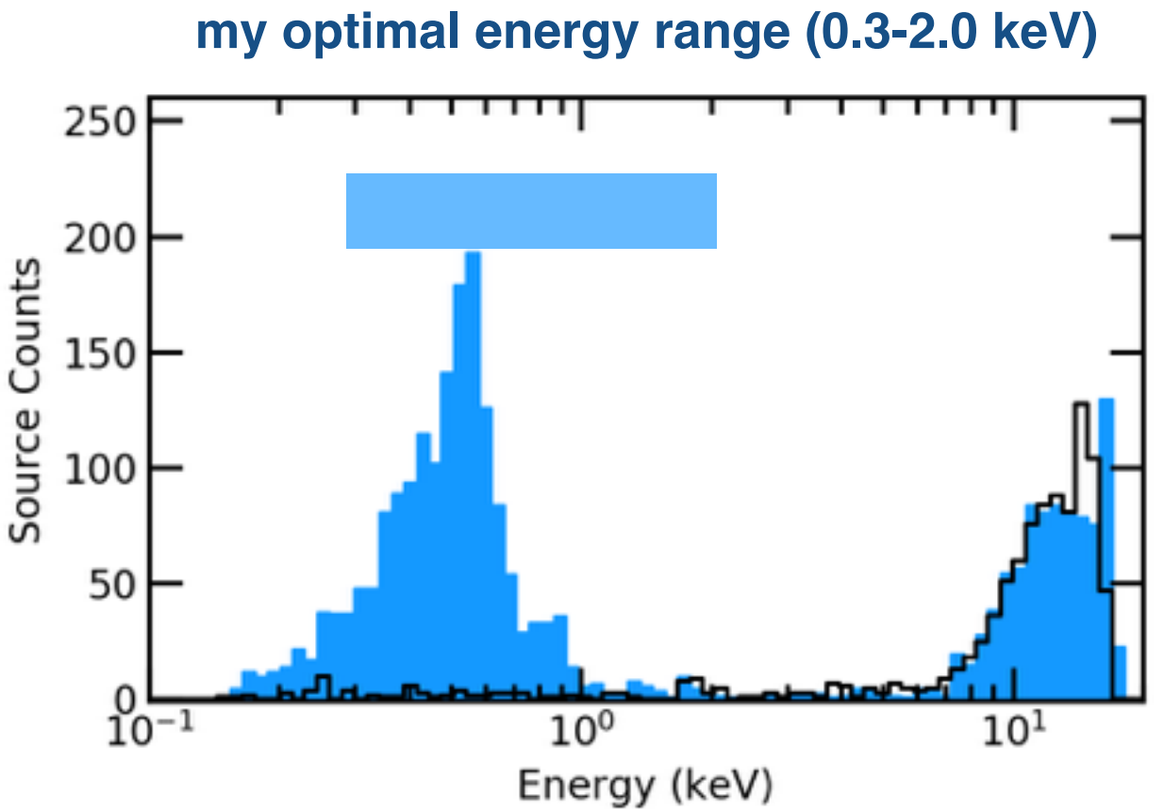

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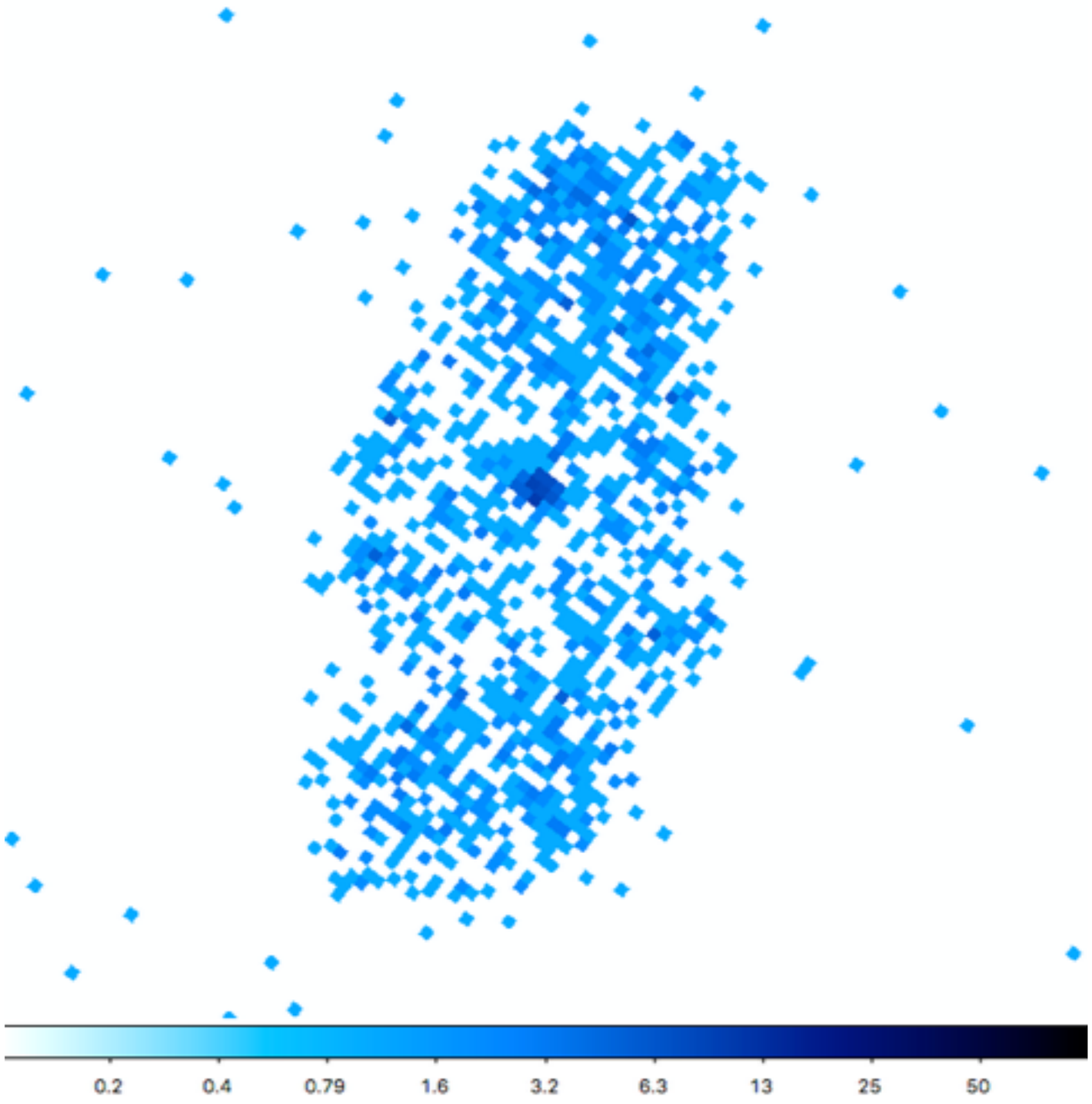

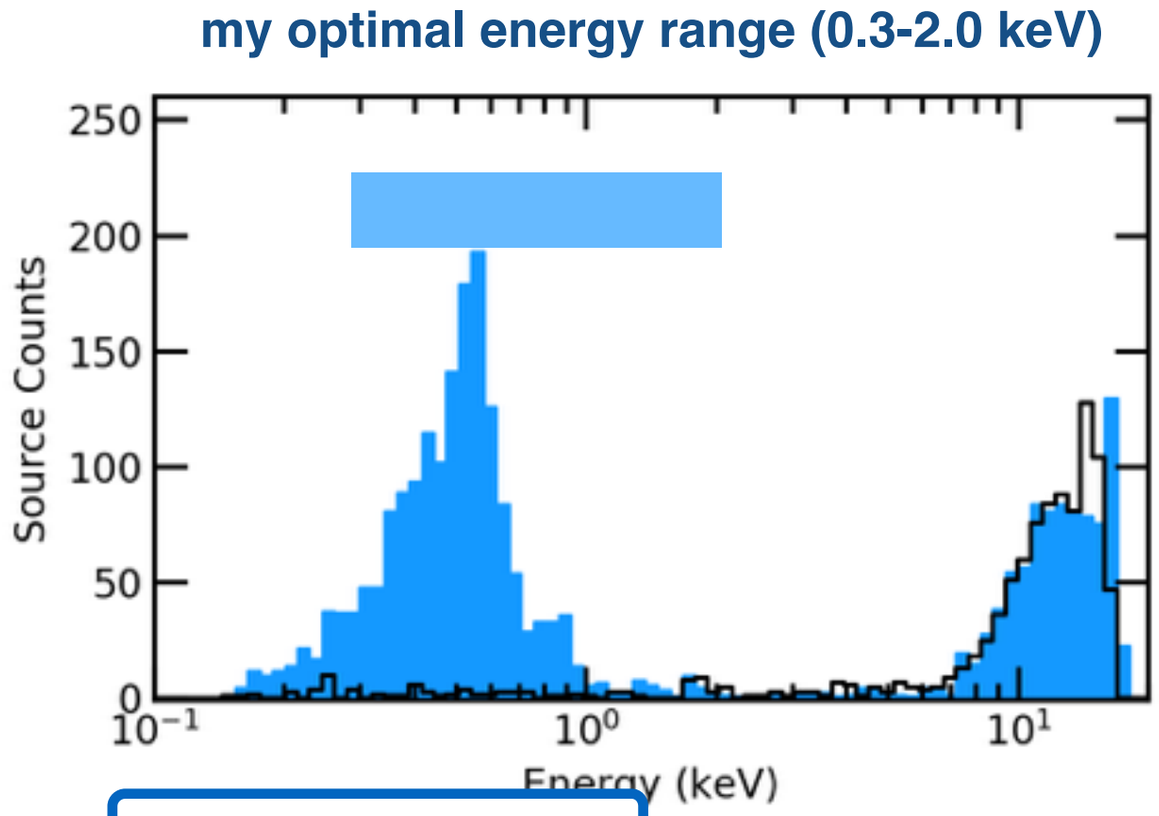

binning to sub pixels (use caution)

X-ray Imaging

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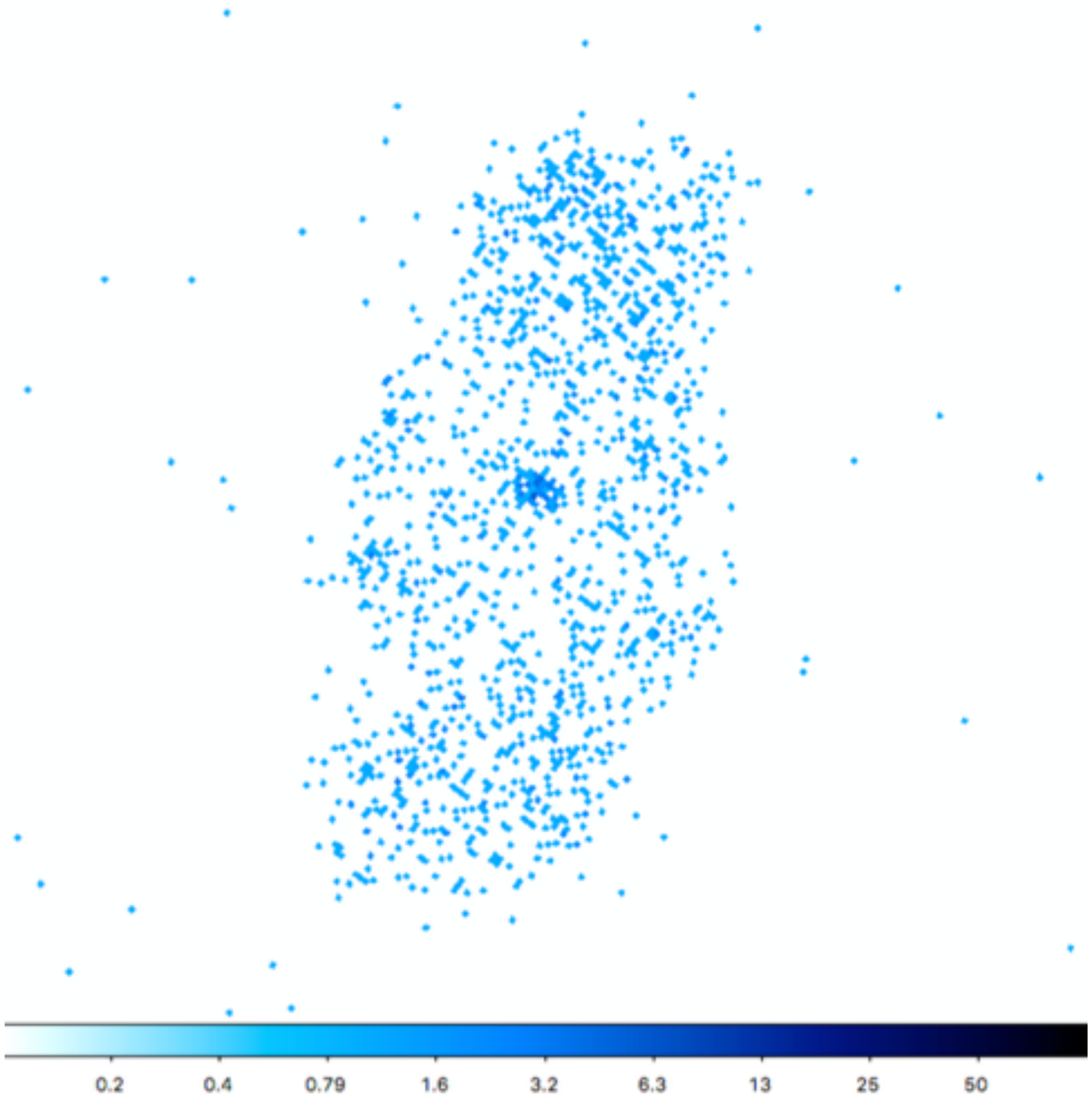

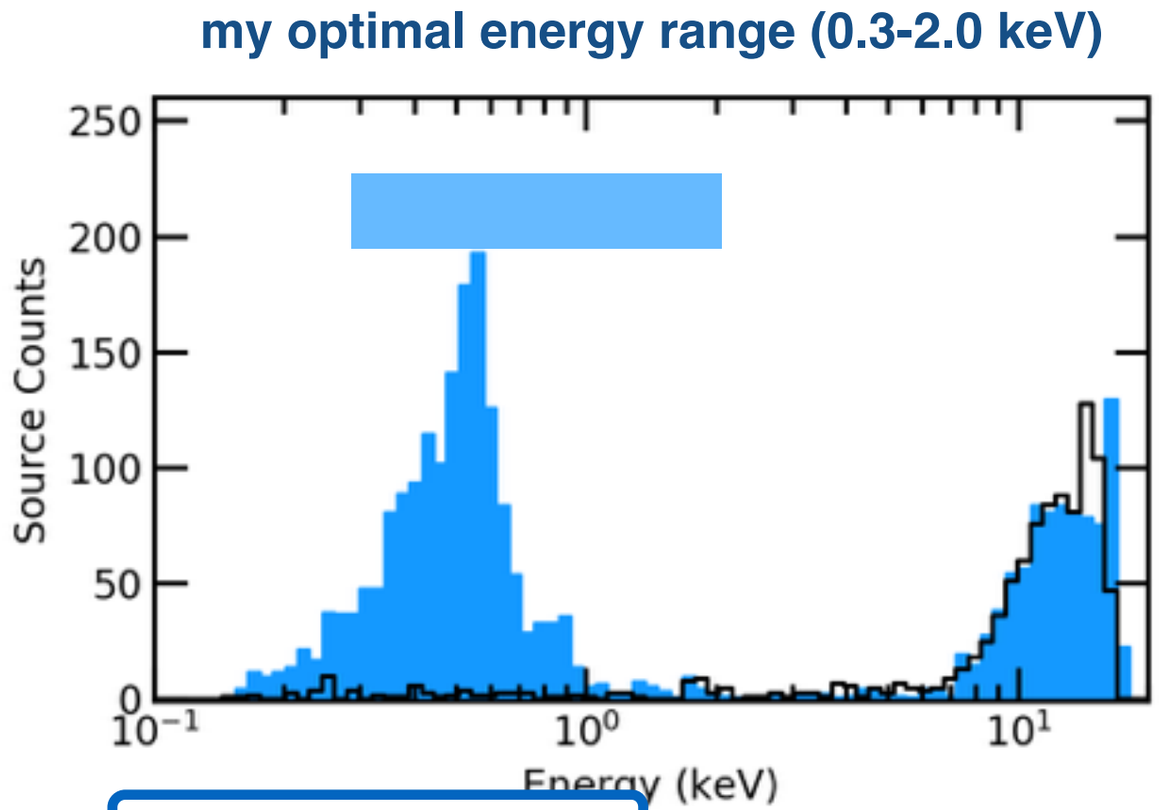

you better know what you are doing

X-ray Imaging

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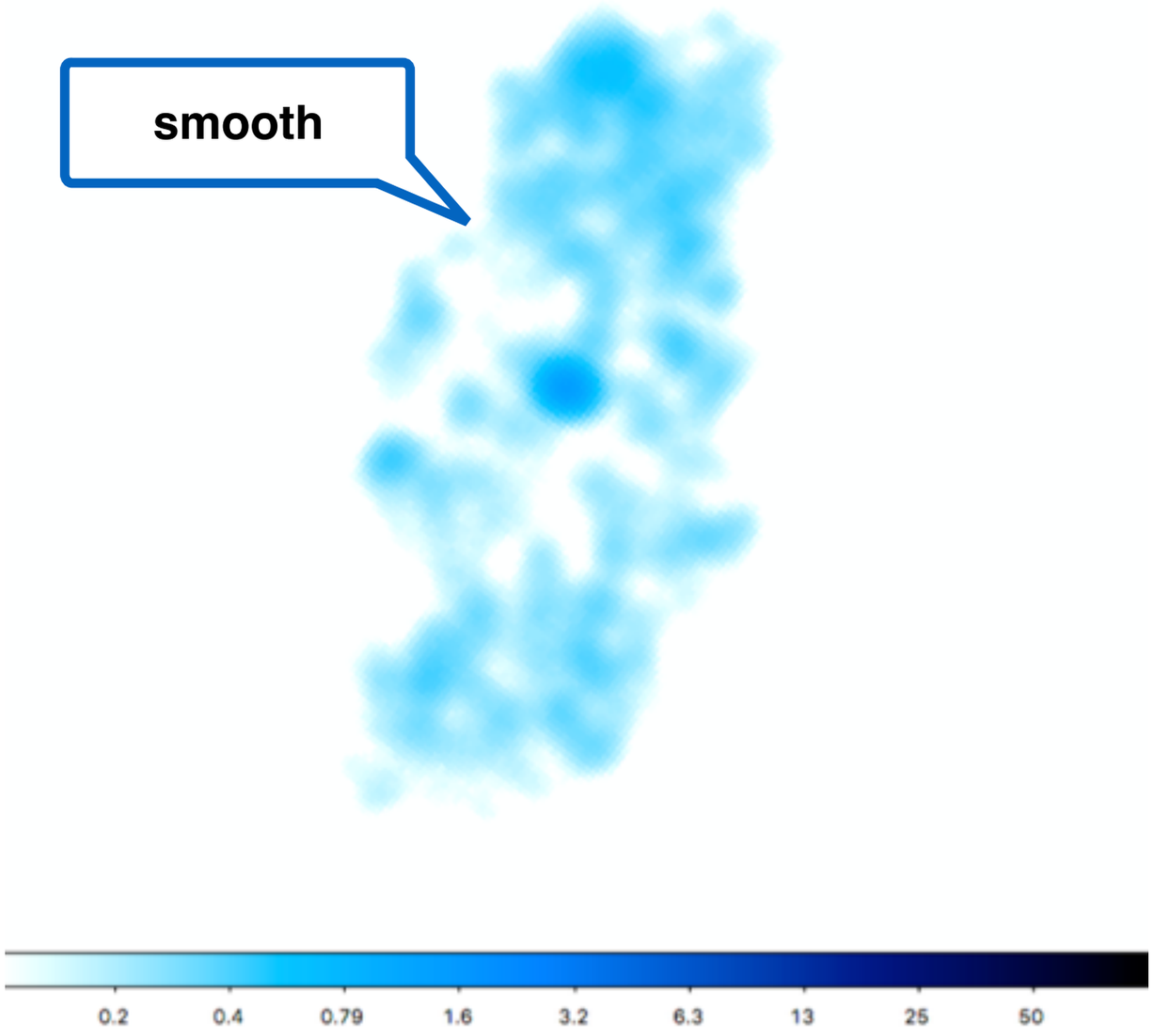

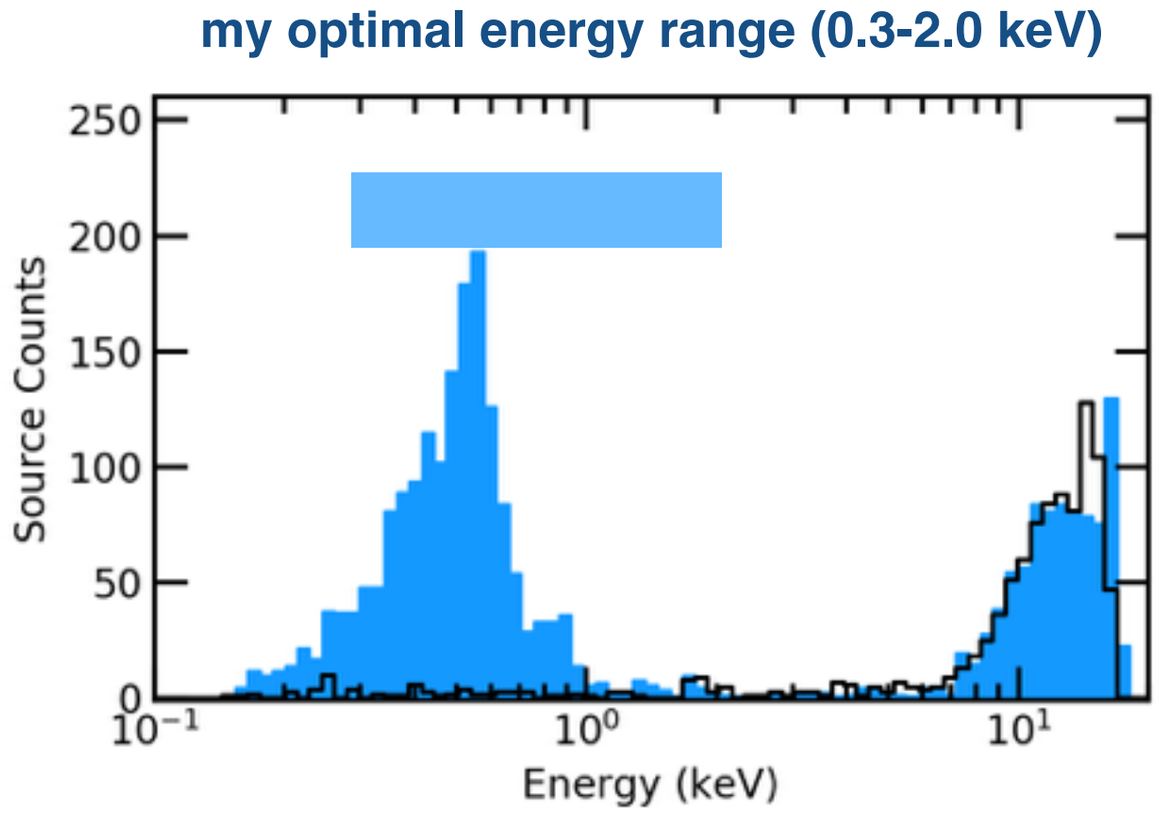

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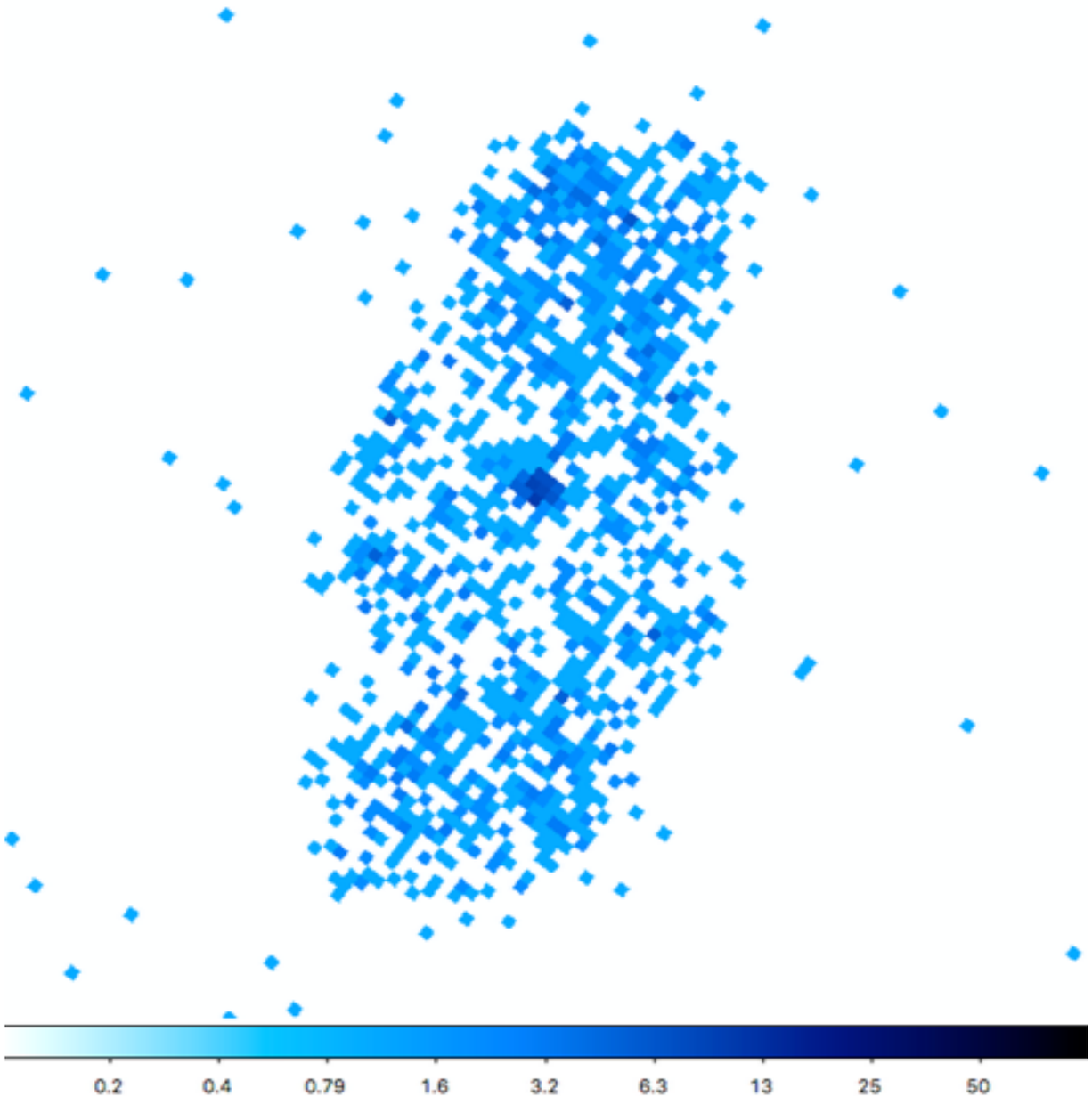

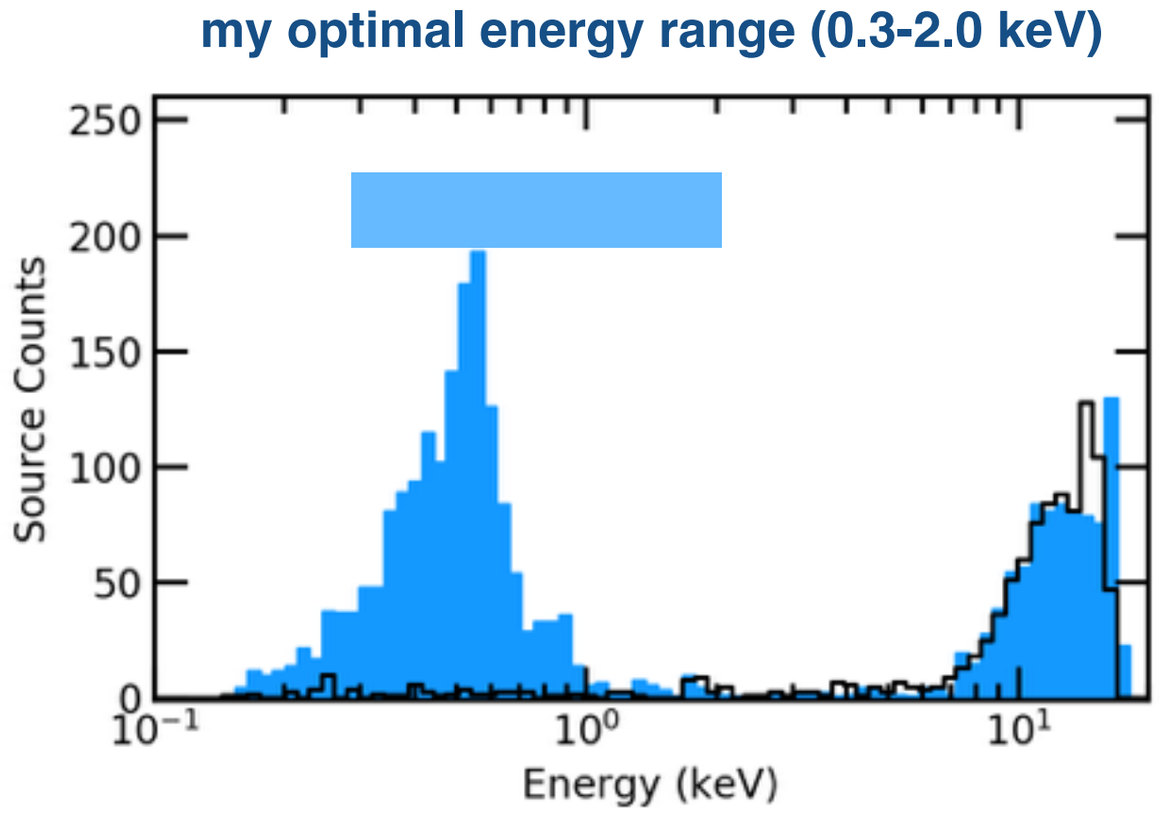

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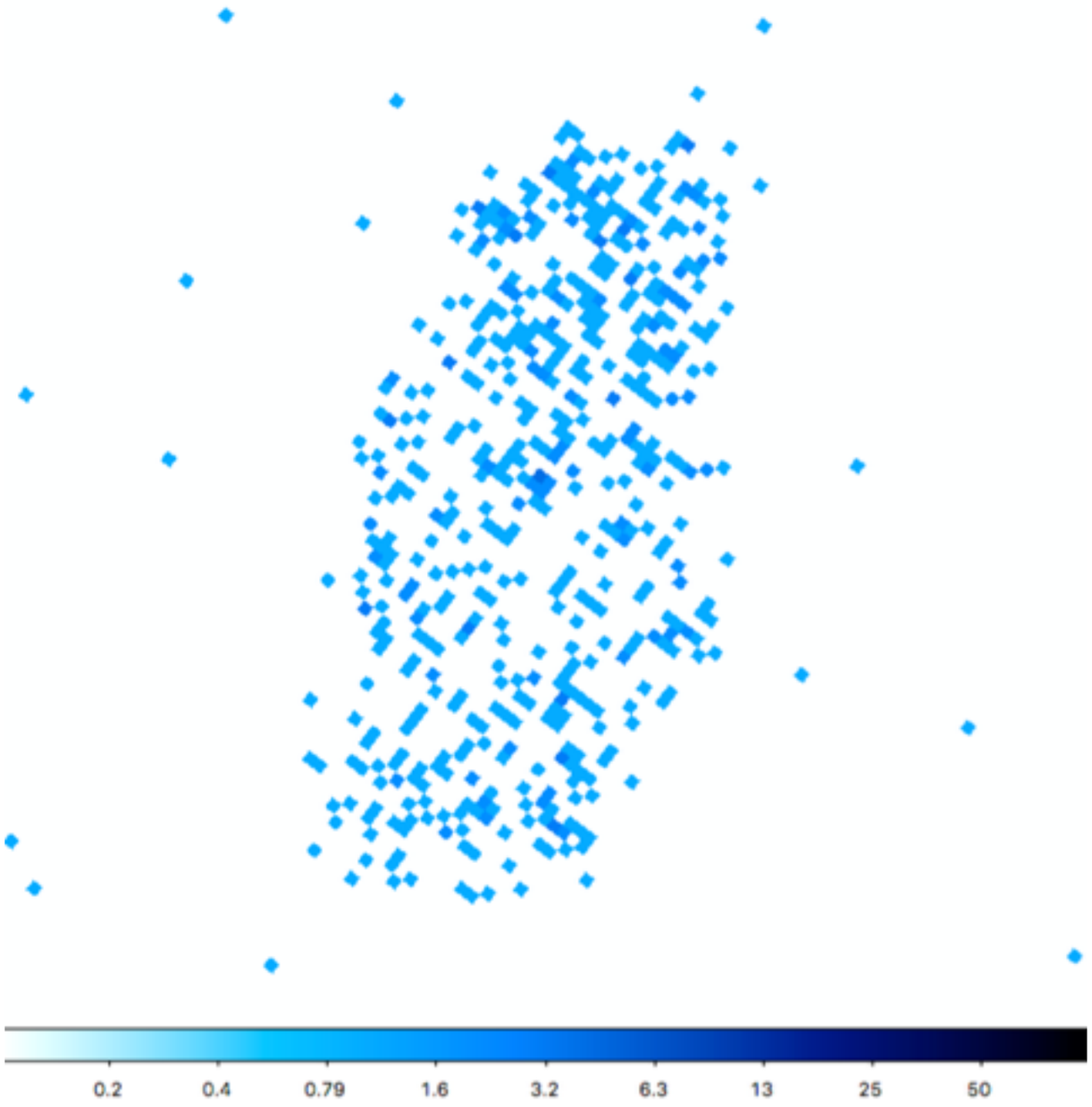
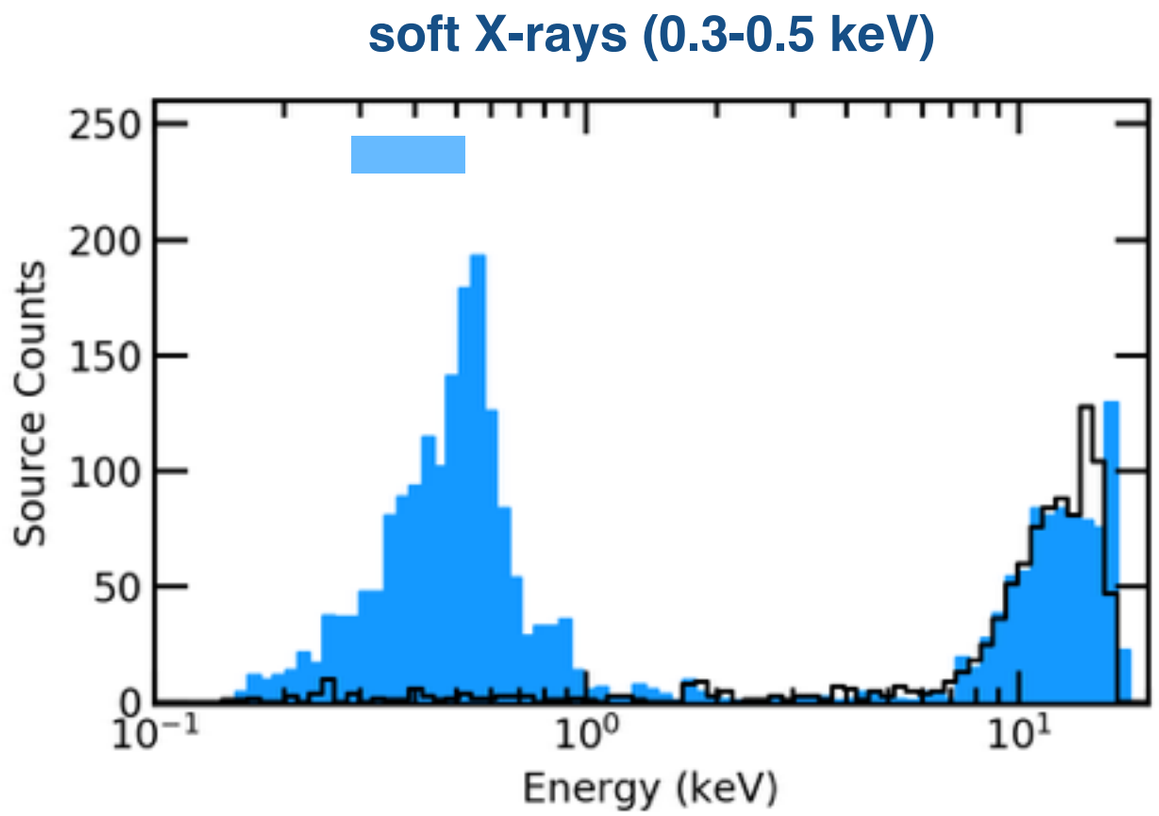
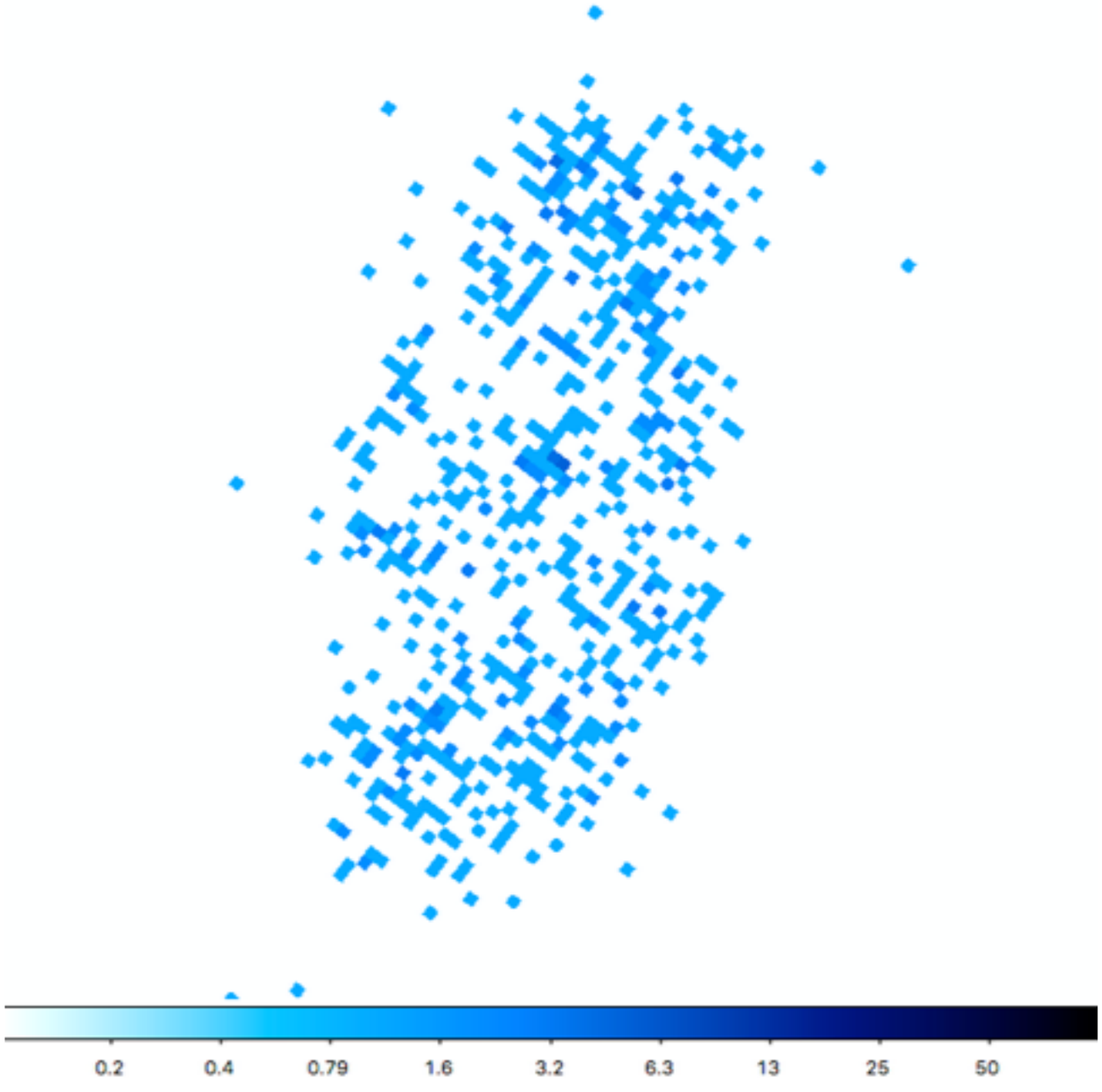
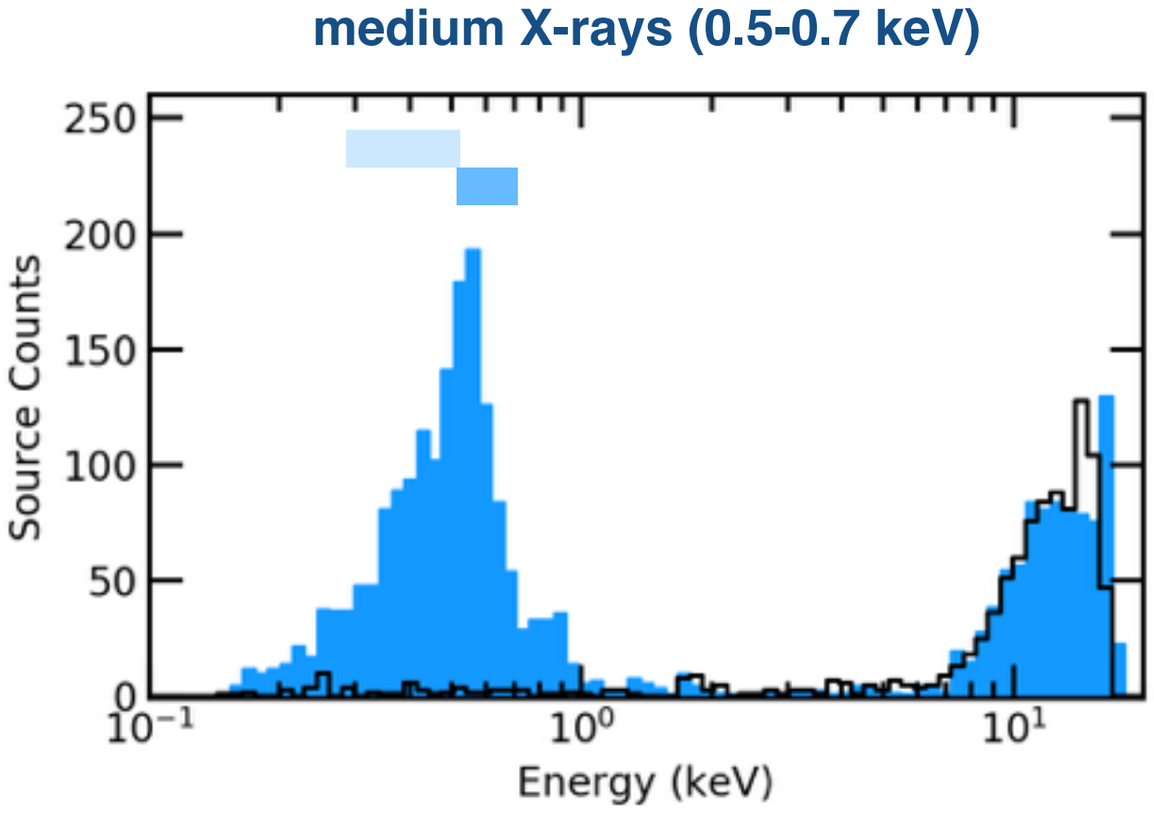




X-ray Imaging

[bin x=::0.5,y=::0.5][energy=300:500]





X-ray Imaging

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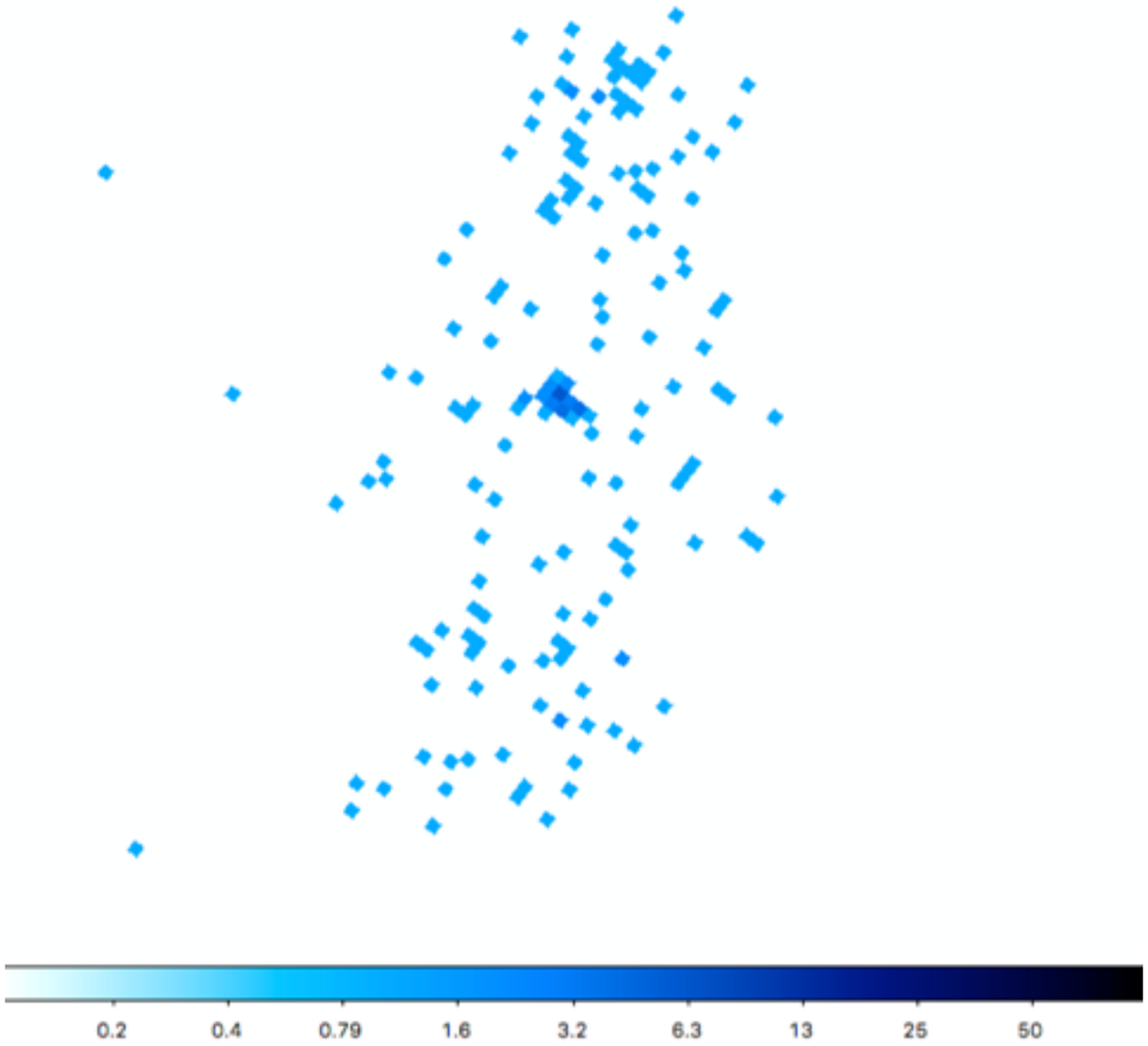

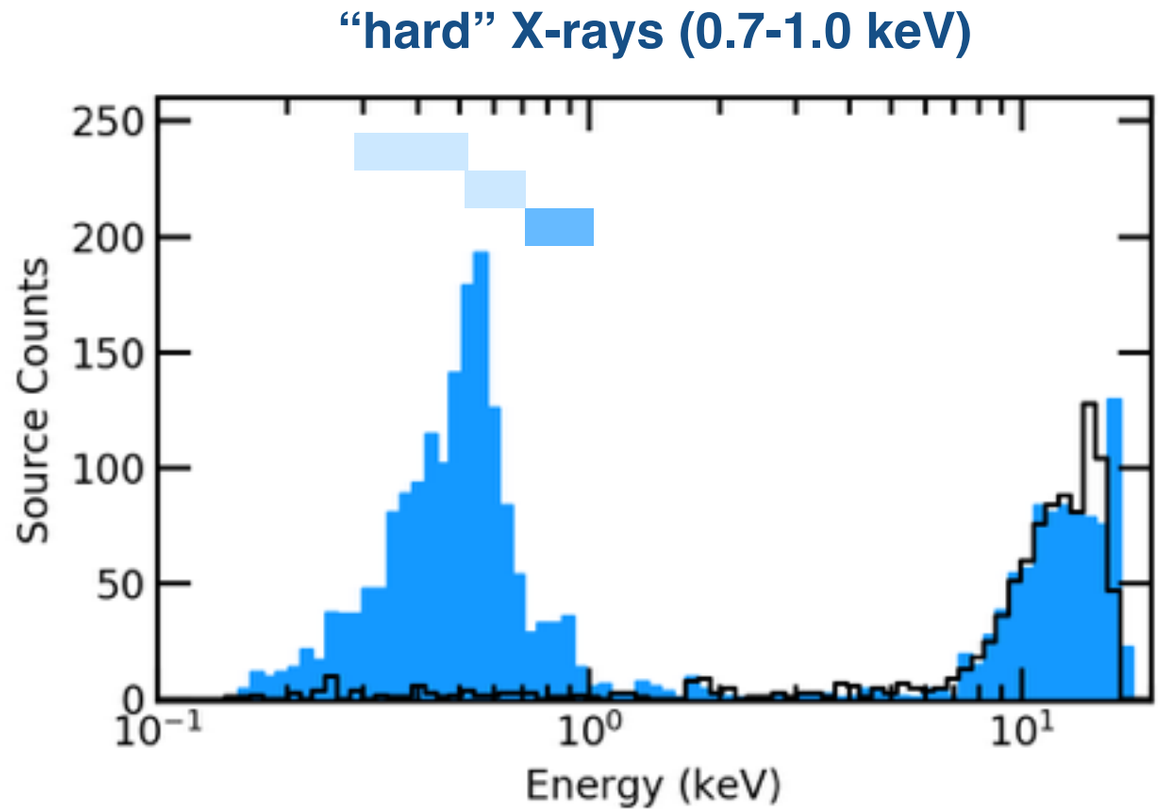

X-ray Imaging

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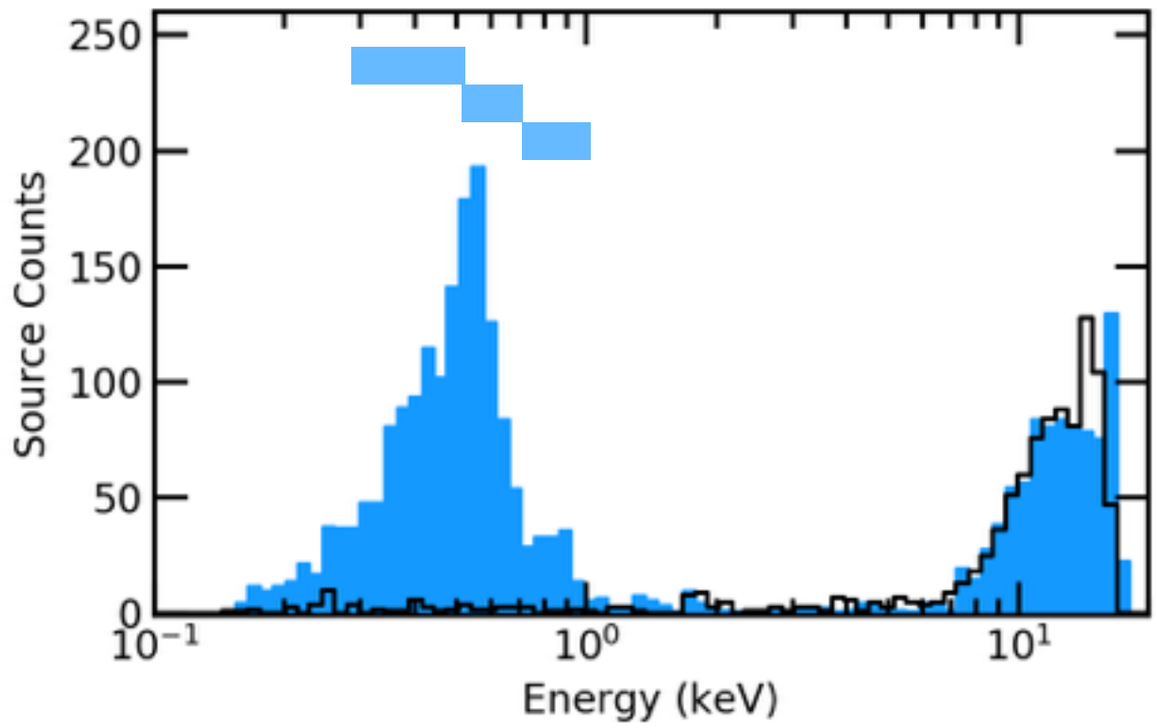
soft X-rays (0.3-0.5 keV)

medium X-rays (0.5-0.7 keV)

“hard” X-rays (0.7-1.0 keV)

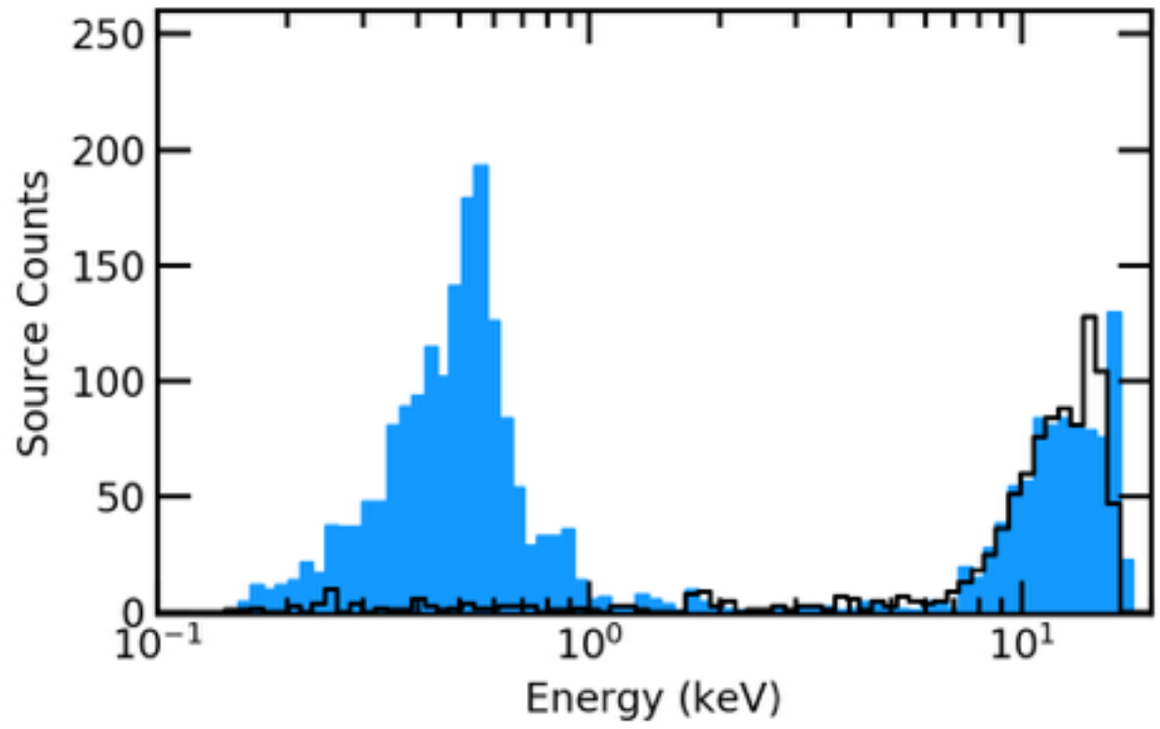


X-ray Imaging

dmcopy energy filtering

Mitigating Background

- Energy Filtering (ciao → *dmcopy*)



Mitigating Background

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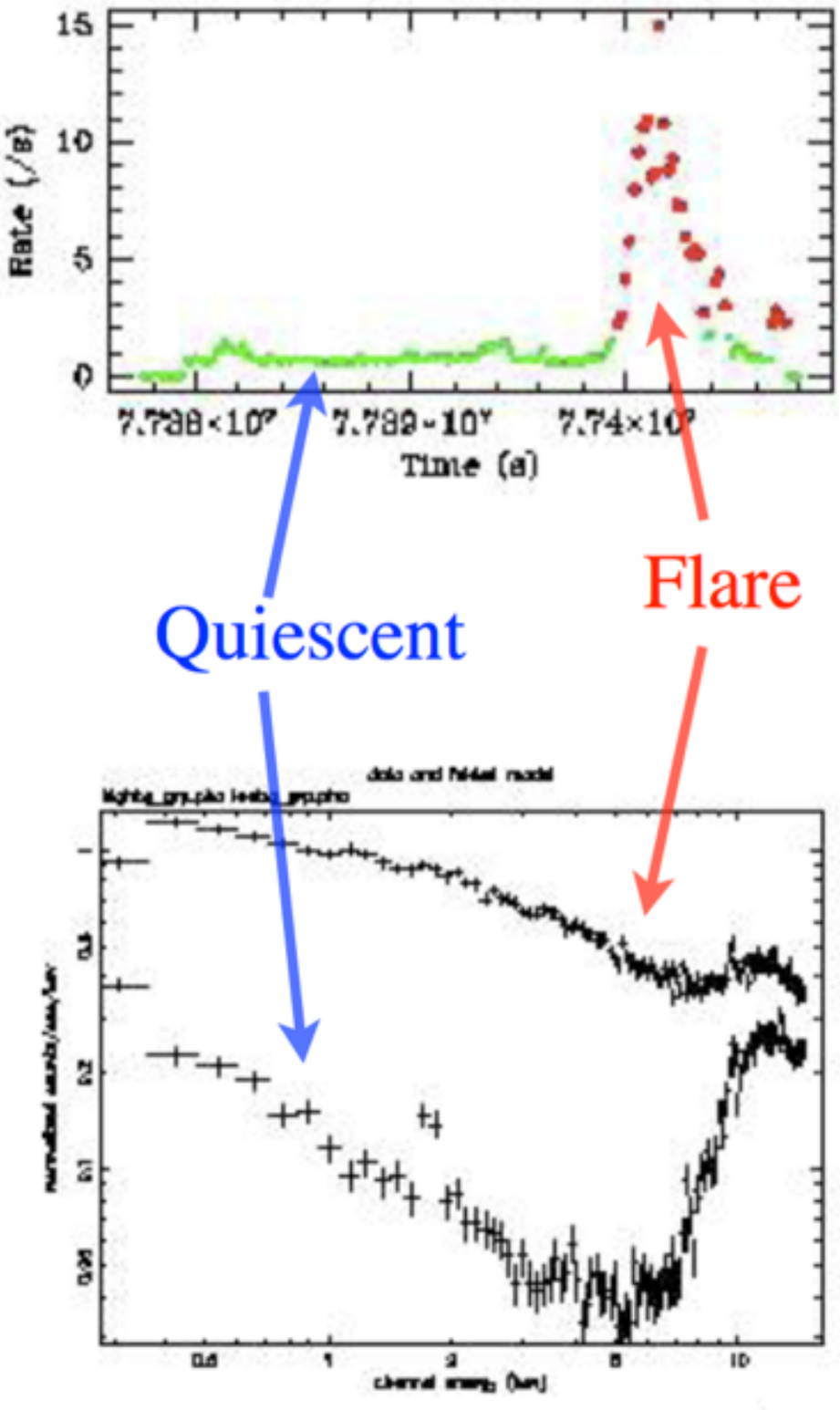

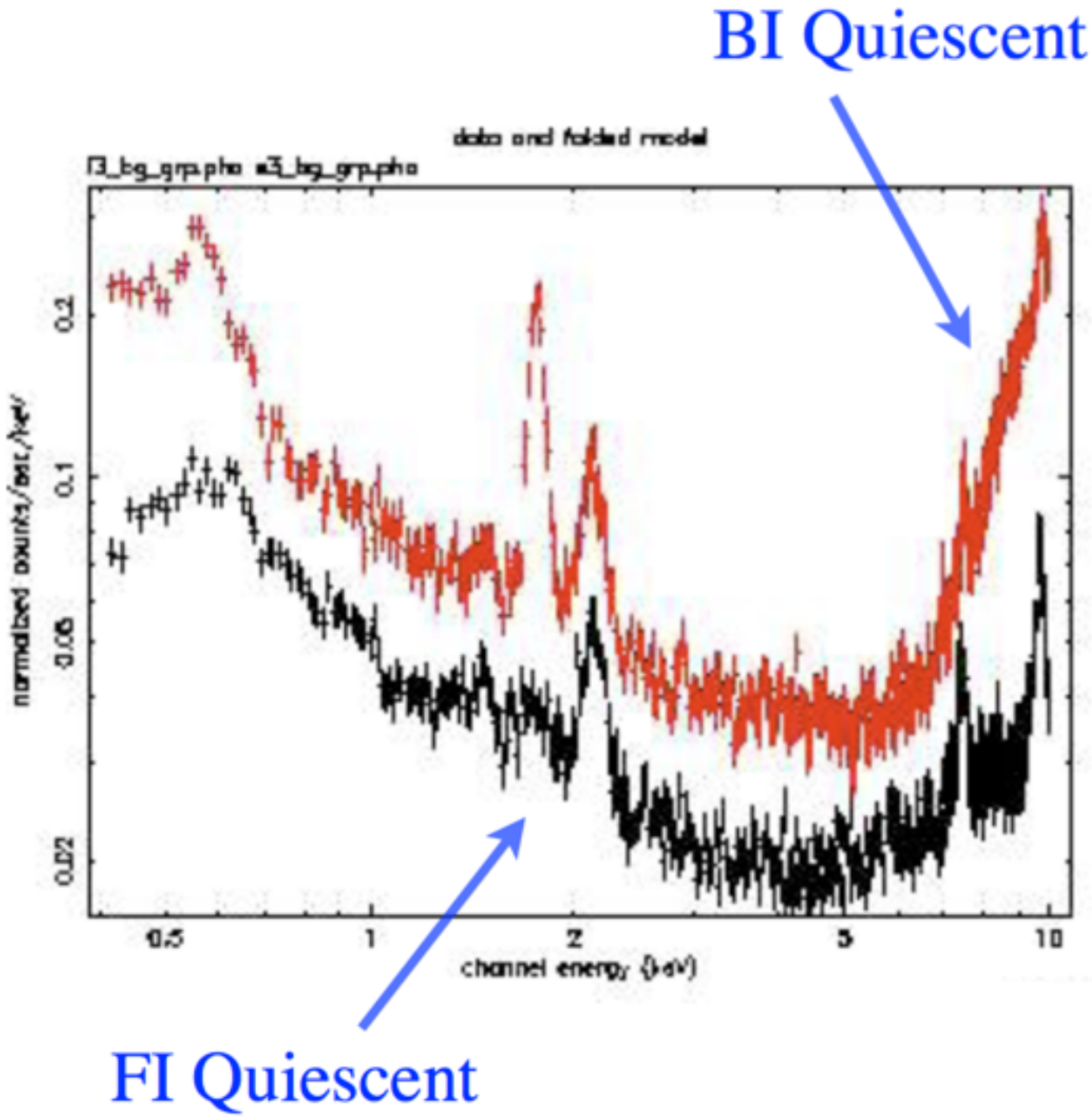

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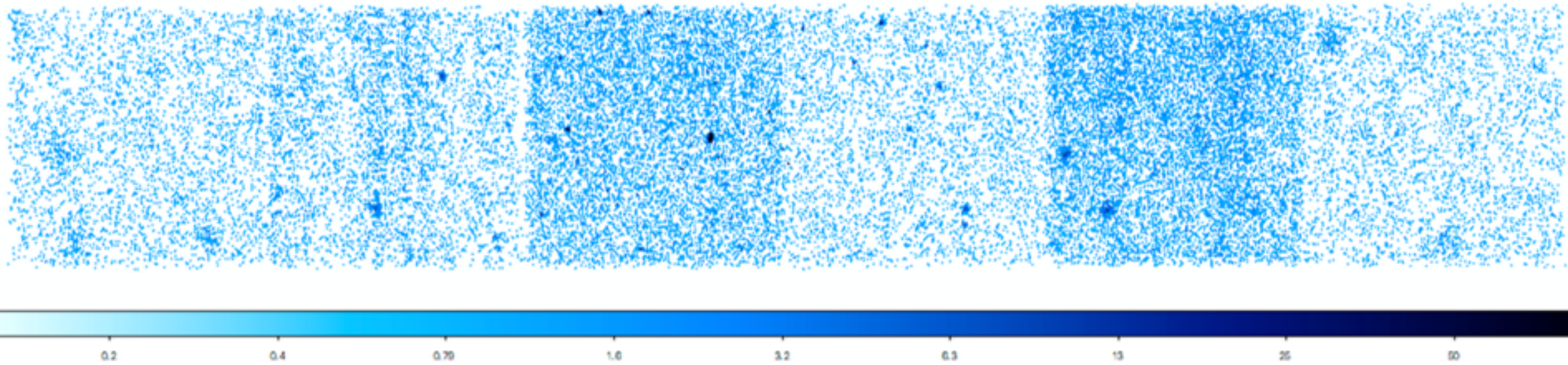
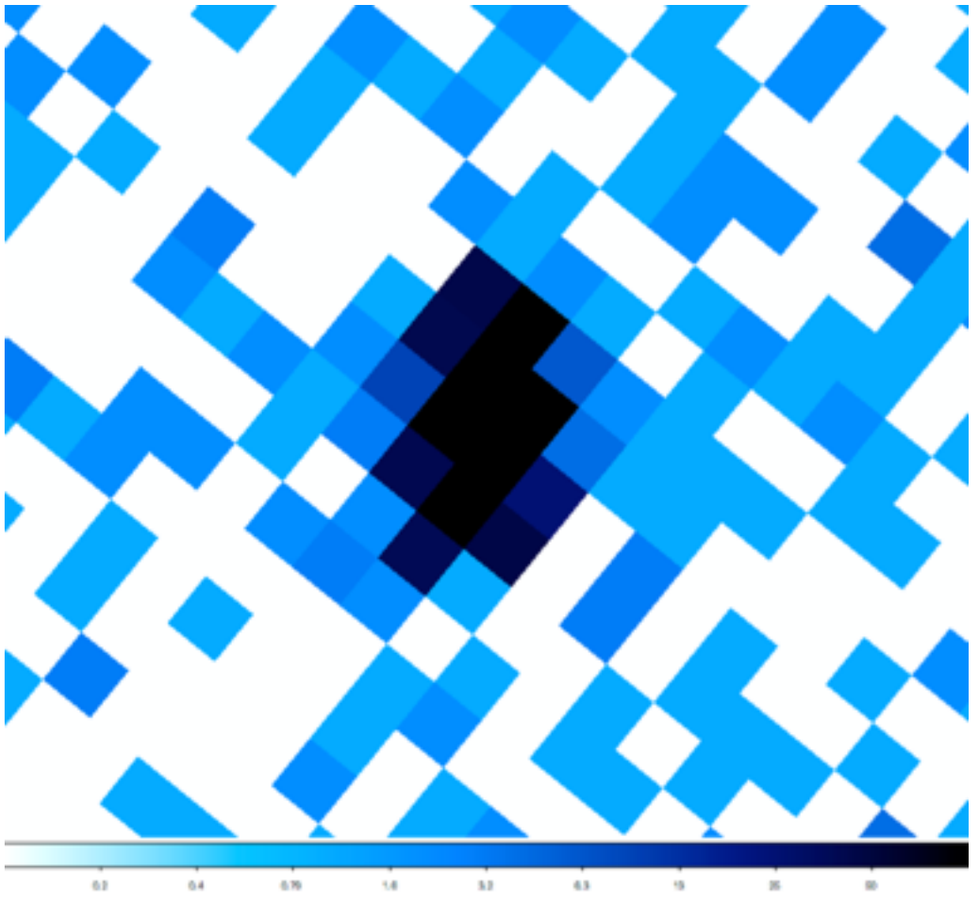
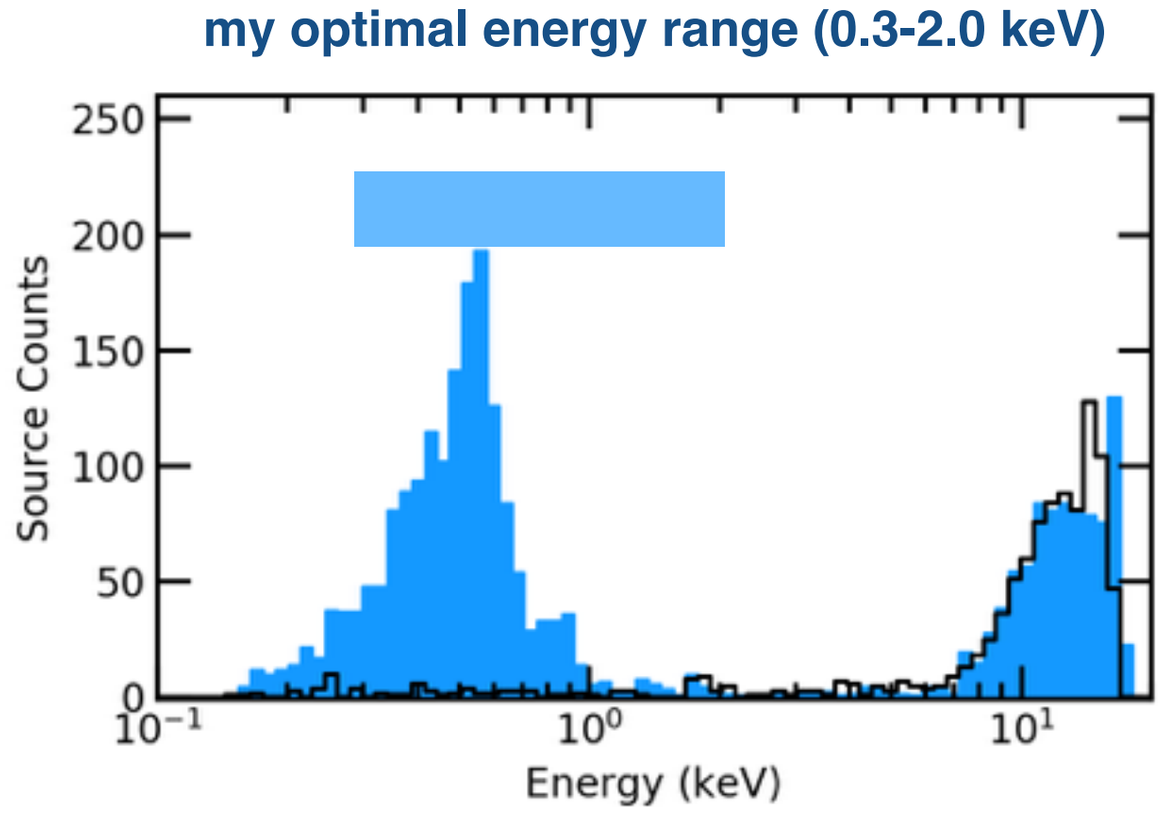
http://cxc.harvard.edu/ciao/threads/acisbackground/







X-ray Imaging

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What’s the Flux?

yesteryear

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   feel good
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   send helpdesk ticket
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   send apologetic helpdesk ticket
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   send frantic helpdesk ticket
5. dmimgcalc (divide counts image by exp map)
   do science

there is better way to do this

What’s the Flux?

fluximage

expmap, fluxed image, etc.

output directory

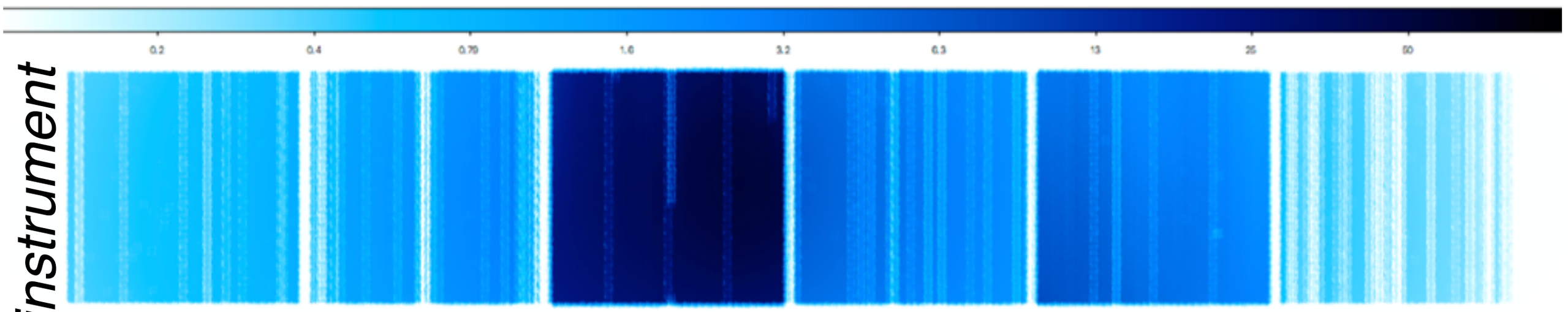
fluximage evt2.fits output/

event file

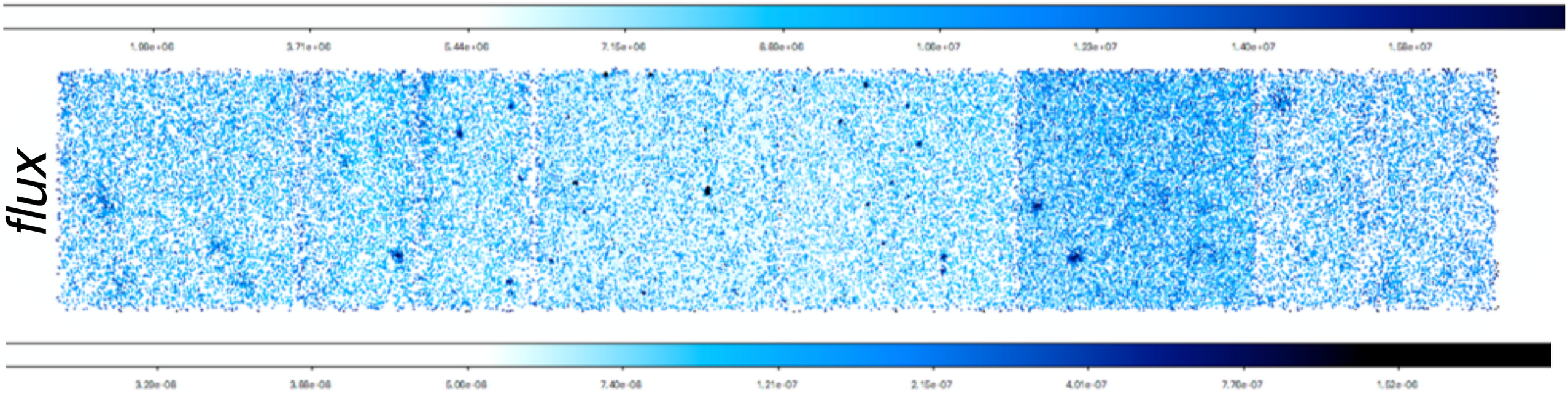
script will locate the
required ancillary files
(asol, bpix, msk, etc.)

Flux Images

counts



instrument



flux

Flux Images

fluximage

What’s the Flux?

srcflux

accuracy is your friend

source coordinates

srcflux evt2.fits “03:29:29.25 +31:18:34.73” output

event file

note

output file

contains parameters, count rates, fluxes, and model flues

Source Fluxes

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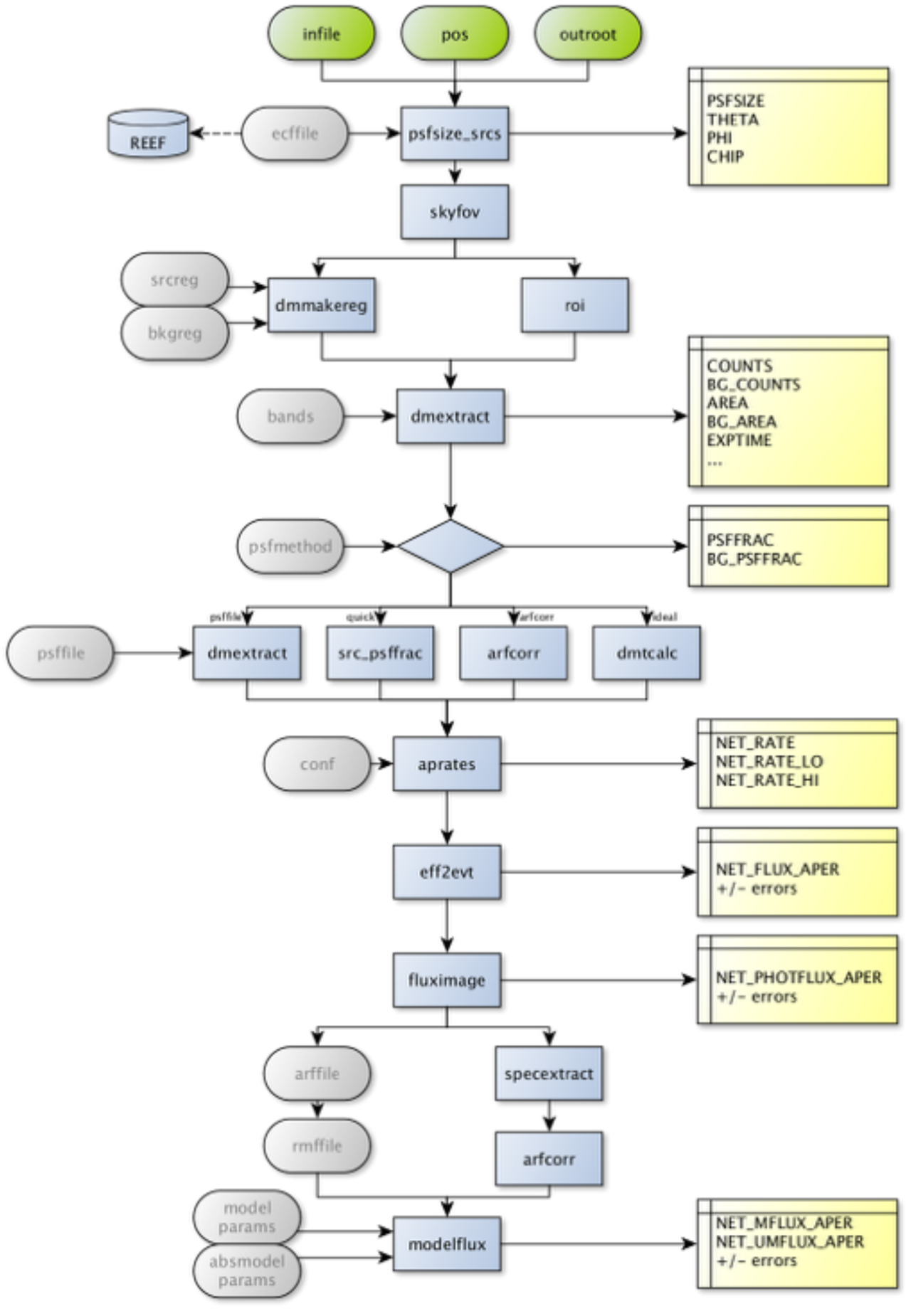
under the hood of srcflux; so much stuff



Source Fluxes

output

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srcflux
          infile = repro/acisf06436_repro_evt2.fits
             pos = 03:29:29.250 +31:18:34.73
         outroot = single/run1
           bands = broad
          srcreg =
          bkgreg =
         bkgresp = yes
       psfmethod = ideal
         psffile =
            conf = 0.9
         rmffile =
         arffile =
           model = xsphabs.abs1*xspowerlaw.pow1
        paramvals = abs1.nH=0.0;pow1.PhoIndex=2.0
        absmodel =
       absparams =
           abund = angr
         fovfile =
        asolfile =
         mskfile =
        bpixfile =
         dtffile =
         ecffile = CALDB
        parallel = yes
           nproc = INDEF
          tmpdir = /tmp
         clobber = no
         verbose = 1
            mode = ql

Extracting counts
Setting Ideal PSF : alpha=1 , beta=0
Getting net rate and confidence limits
Getting model independent fluxes
Getting model fluxes
Getting photon fluxes
Running tasks in parallel with 4 processors.
Running eff2evt for single/run1_broad_0001_src.dat
Running aprates for single/run1_broad0001_rates.par
Running eff2evt for single/run1_broad_0001_bkg.dat
Making response files for single/run1_0001
Running modeflux for region 1
Adding net rates to output
Appending flux results onto output
Appending photflux results onto output
Computing Net fluxes
Adding model fluxes to output
Scaling model flux confidence limits


Summary of source fluxes

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show me the flux!

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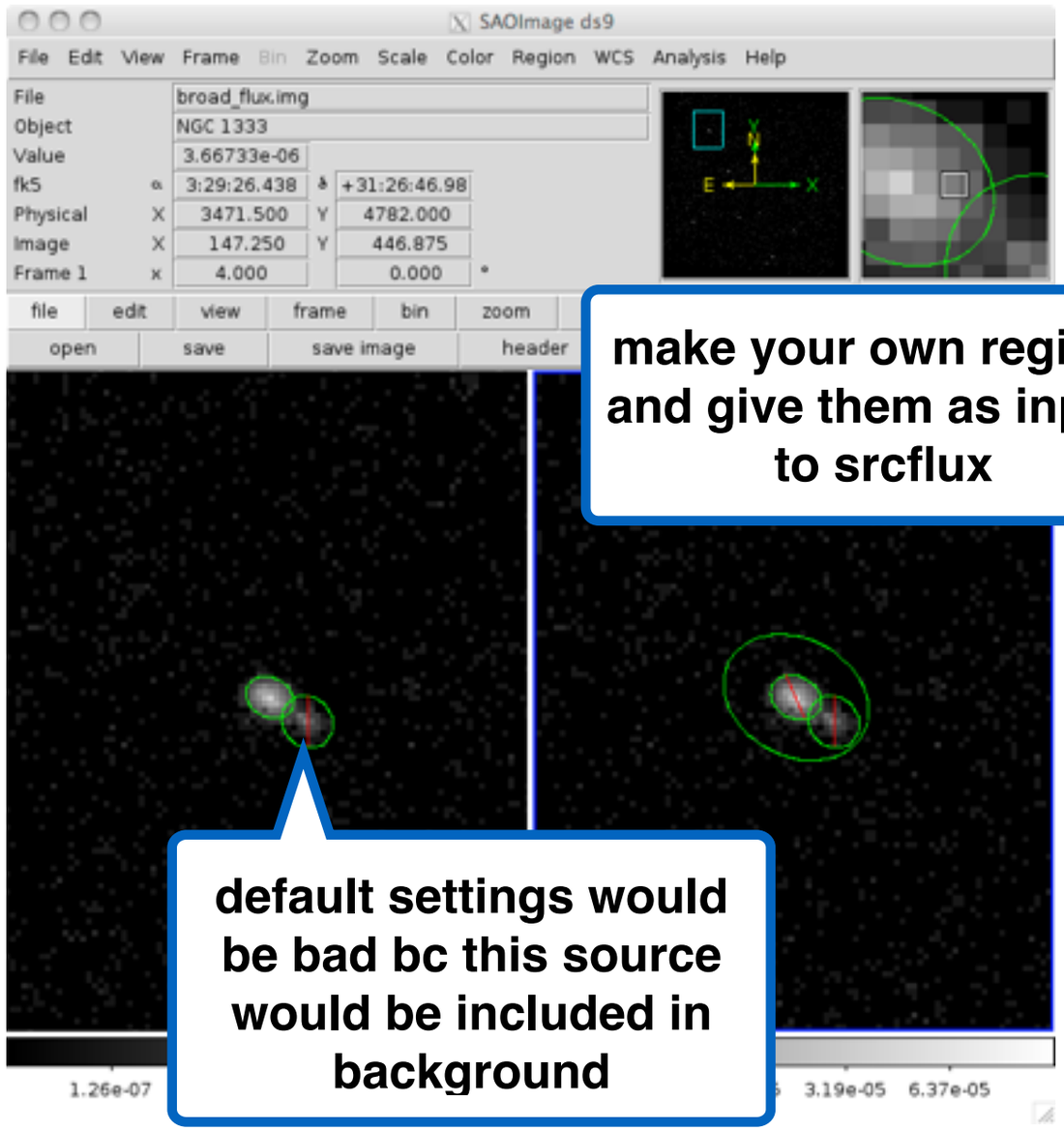
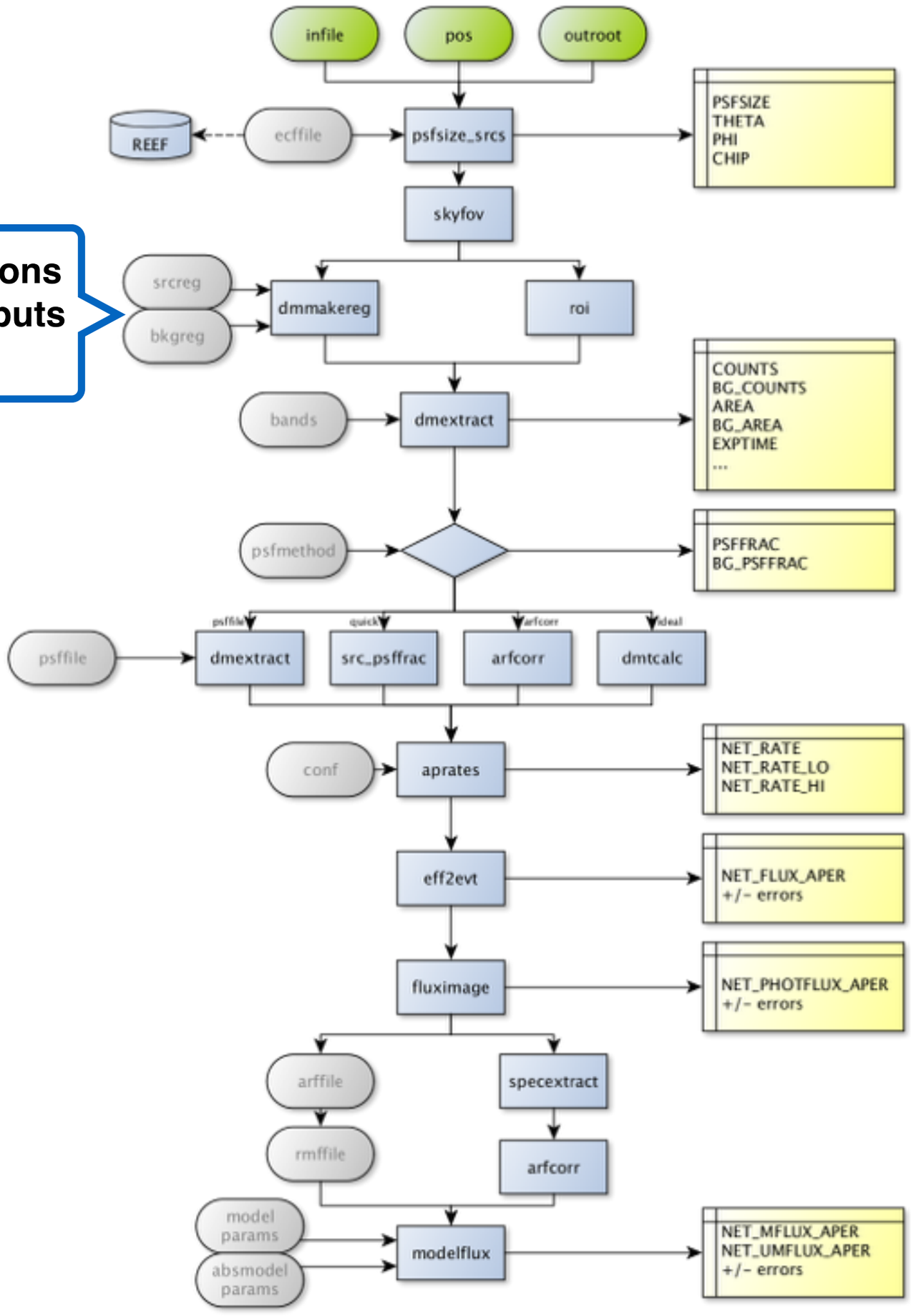


make your own regions and give them as inputs to srcflux

default settings would be bad bc this source would be included in background



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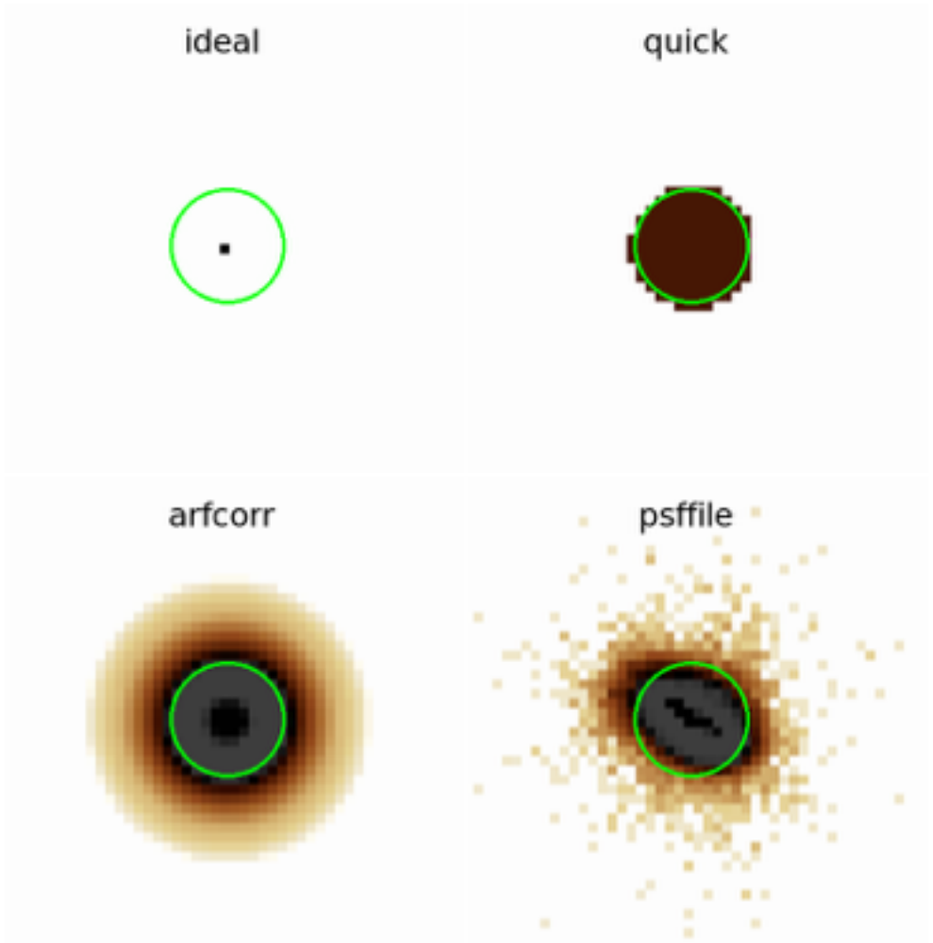

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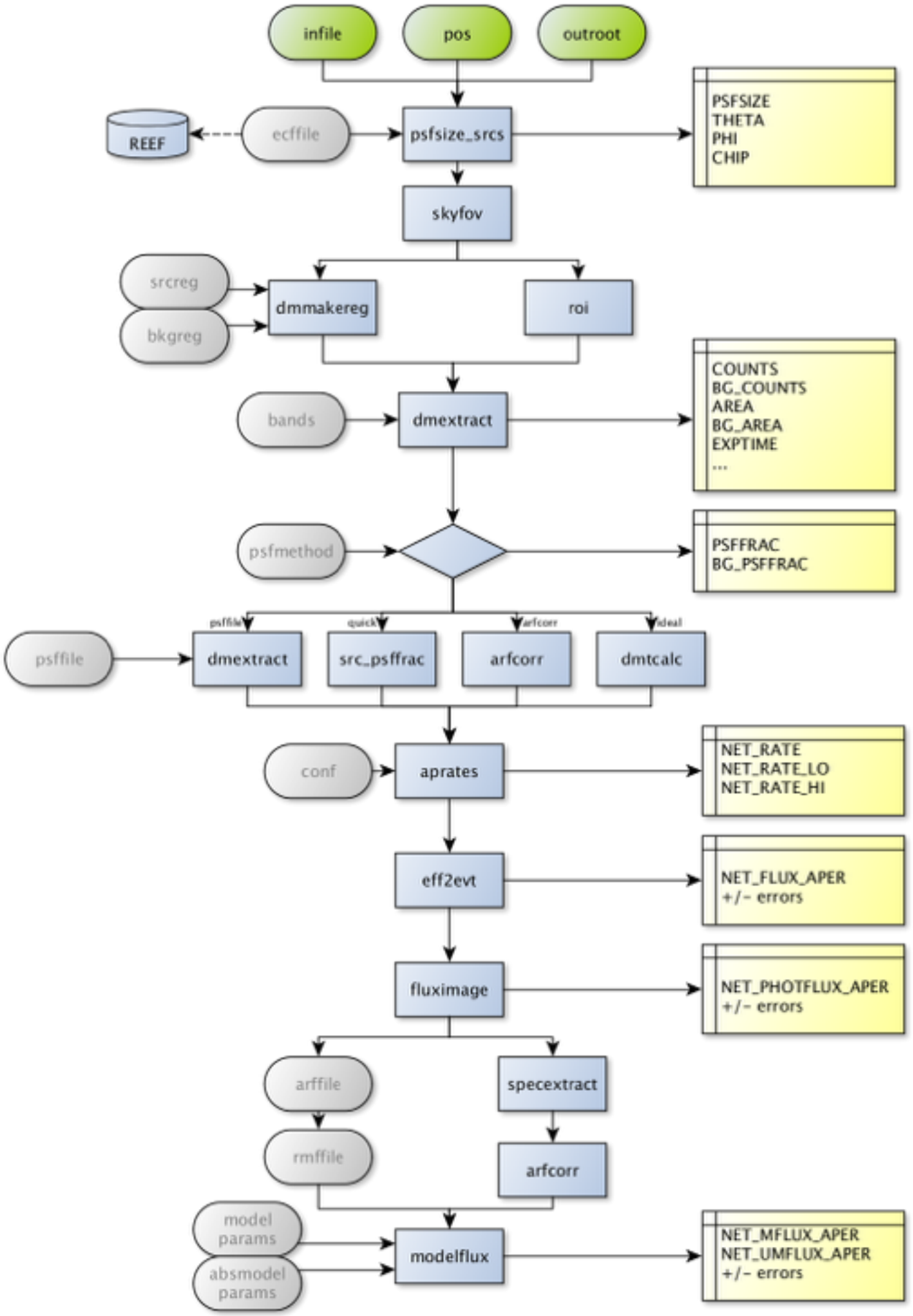

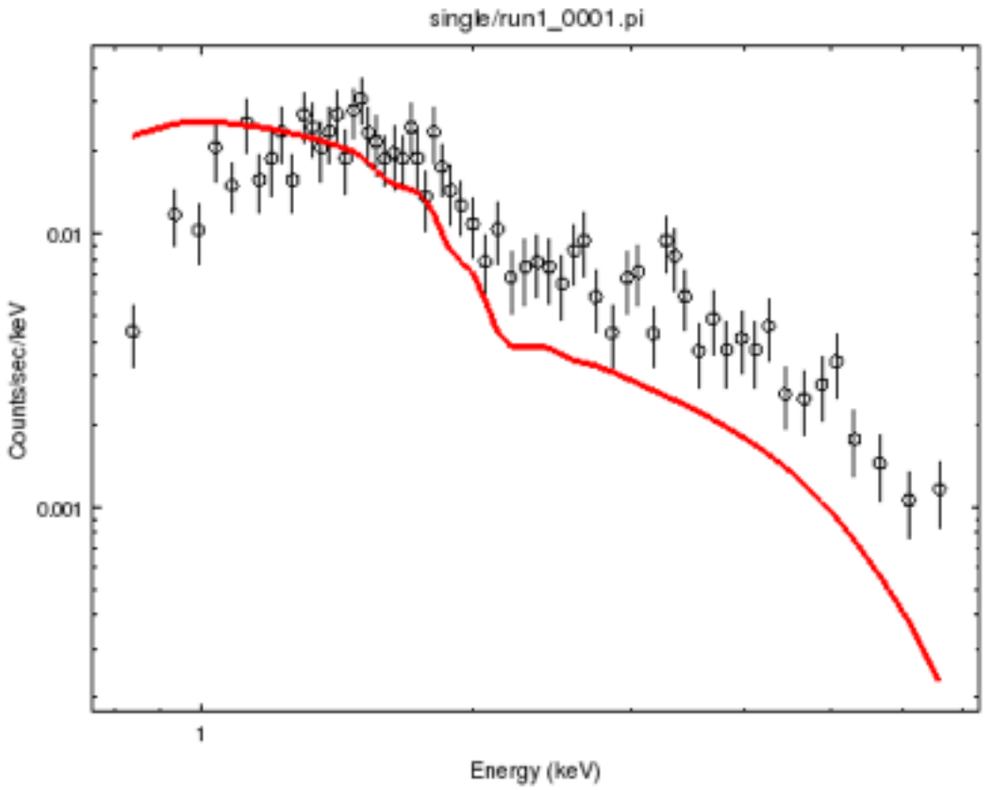

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