

PN treatment in ESAS - SAS validation - Calibration files and Configuration Control

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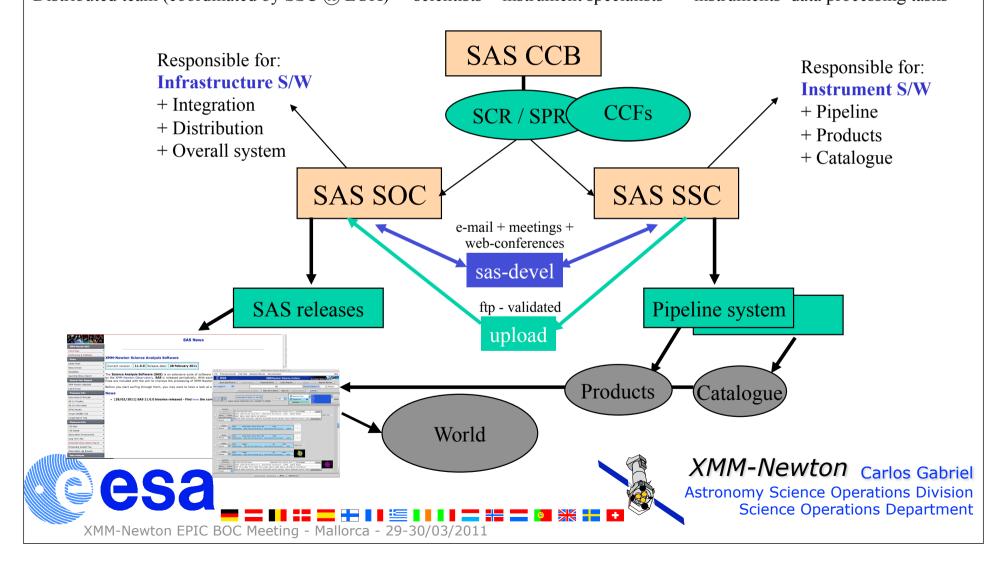
SAS development overall structure



SAS development team:

Central team (@ ESA's SOC) = scientists + S/W engineers >> all infrastructure tasks, incl. data and cal access layers

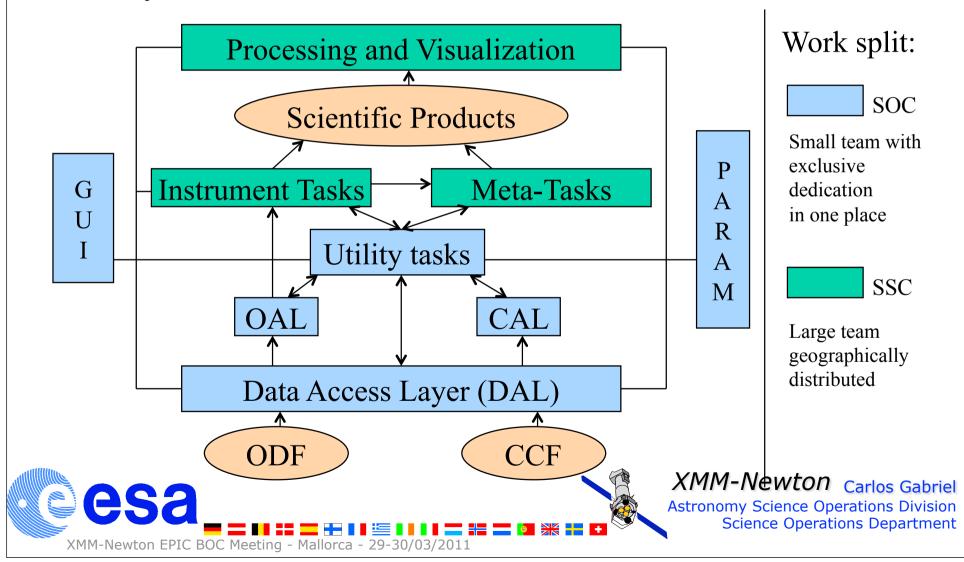
Distributed team (coordinated by SSC @ LUX) = scientists + instrument specialists >> instruments' data processing tasks



A fully distributed development



SAS Subsystem Scheme



SAS CCB - SAS WG



- SAS Configuration Control Board (SAS-CCB): SCRs + important SPRs + CCF releases
 y general SAS and PPS development
 using SPR / SCR system + CCF system centralized at SOC
- frequent SAS Working Group (SAS-WG) web-conferencing
 - > maintaining the cohesion of the SAS developers / maintainers
 - > helping to solve problems faster than just using SPR / SCR system
 - > finding areas with less / almost no support

8 SAS WG web-conferences in 2010 + 1 meeting (@SSC Cons.)

In addition, dedicated WG >> 2D PSF working group

- shortcomings due to other priorities by SSC institutes with SAS maintenance
 shadow maintenance done with Saclay for a year, intended with MPE now
- preparing the pipeline transfer to SOC due to the "managed withdrawal" of UK-STFC support to XMM

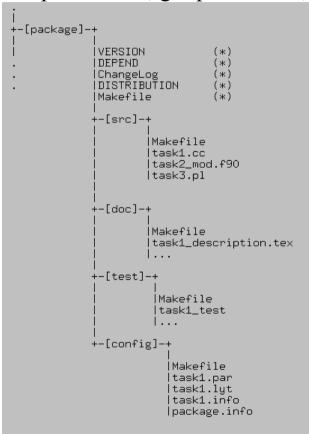


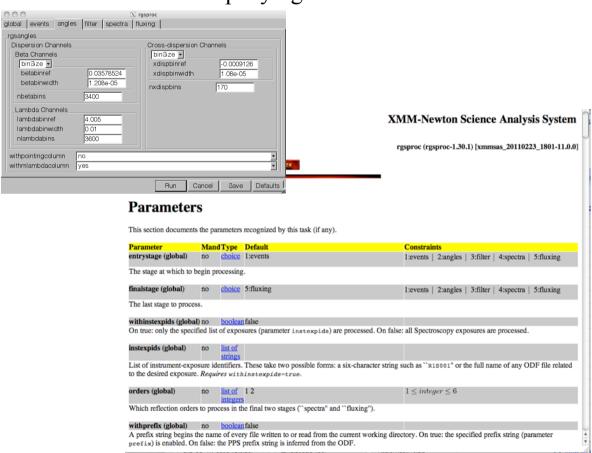


SAS package standard structure



Each package is created with a standard structure, including source, documentation, dependencies, gui parameters, test harnesses and accompanying data:









Daily SAS builds

Distributed development in heterogeneou

- + interdependencies + servicing large con
- + large use of many external libraries + ...
- >> A) Chaos
- >> B) Continuous integration systems to S/W integrity

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ESAS in SAS is special



ESAS is a special package written (and maintained!) by SS @ GOF composed out of:

- 11 Perl scripts
- 19 F77 routines
 - "SASified" through F90 wrappers + C++ modules for I/F, GUI, etc

& using own Calibration Files (in ESAS-CALDB) as opposed to normal CCFs

* 1st release with SAS 9 for EPIC MOS >> upgrade in SAS 10 >> upgrade in SAS 11 including PN

Main points

- + standardized analysis for extended sources using best knowledge in field
- + fully (?) documented through "Cookbook" as analysis guide with some depth
- no central control of CCFs > changes at least problematic (but rsync'ed anyway)
- no automatic testing (no harness tests on different platforms) > validation cumbersome
- no use of CAL & probably lot of room for improving performance





SAS scientific validation



SAS validation exercise including of her elements:

3.1 Validation schedule

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Revision

14 January 2011

The schedule for the validation foresees a period of 4 weeks for performing the different tasks. This is the projected schedule with the different milestones:

- SAS into release track mode 15 December 2010
- · SAS builds on different platforms 10 January 2011
- SAS 11 binaries (at least 1 platform) 14 January [EO]
- Processing of all the standard datasets (32 bit + 64 bit subsets finished 14 January
- Communication to validators about success and data location 17 January [CG]
- Installation of SAS 11 binary in XCal grid 18 January [EO]
- Preparation of testing pipeline finished 21 January [SR+DLG]
- Processing of standard datasets by testing pipeline 24 January [DLG]
- Processing of XCal archive from 19 January to 21 January [MG]
- First evaluation of XCal to be ready by 28 January [MG]
- first I/A analysis of standard data to be ready by 28 January [MG, AP, AT, PR, RG, AI, RDS, CG, ...]
- · Dedicated analysis to be ready by 11 February:
 - 64-bit vs 32-bit data products comparison [CG]
 - 2. EPIC 2D-PSF handling [RDS]
 - MOS redistribution [MG]
 - 4. RGS Small Window mode [AP]
 - 5. xmmextractor [JUN]
 - 6. Upgraded ESAS (incl. PN) [IdC]
- * all standard sets through "procs"-based scripts
 Summary reports due on 15 February [AII]

 - + PPS testing + xmmextractor Release notes + SAS 11 web pages contents ready 16 February [CG]
- * whole cross-calibration DB processed 11 distribution tarfiles ready 16 February [EO] SAS 11 release - 17 February
- * slews processed
- * special observations added

Revision number Date

XMM-Newton Science Analysis

- Final SV individual reports 3 March [All]
- Final SV Report compilation 10 March [CG]
- Validation results
- Conclusions

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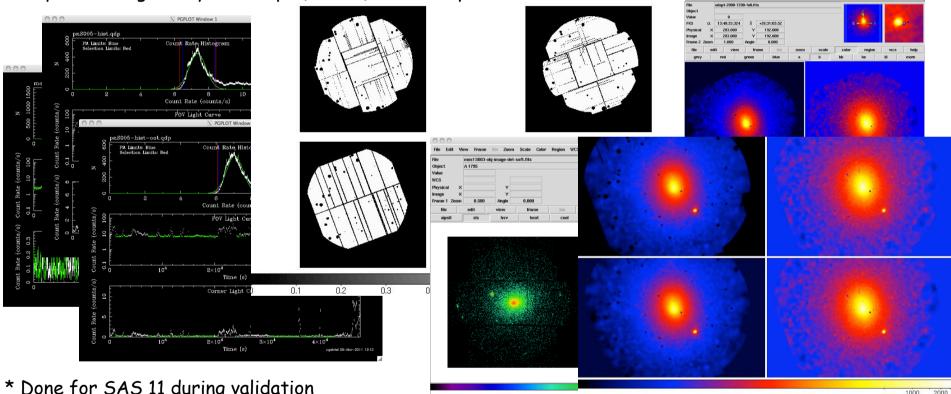
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SAS-ESAS scientific validation



FSAS is tested

* using a standard observation, follow all the steps as proposed in the "Cookbook for Analysis Procedures..."

+ special "image analysis" script (A1795) written by SS used for data reduction of the second


* Done for SAS 11 during validation

but "Last minute" change on emask was not sufficiently tested using ESAS software



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SAS-ESAS validation 2.0



- >> change of emask discovered to break ESAS software after SAS 11 release (by SS)
- >> ESAS upgraded promptly by SS + esas-caldb upgraded at same time (no public info on this)
- » after re-validation testing (on Linux machine) SAS 11.0.1 patch released

... a week after >> tests on MacOS (Snow Leopard) show problems with ESAS-swcx (seg faults) (I recall: SAS 11.0 = binaries for 15 platforms + 2 VMs!)

My conclusions:

- we need to make ESAS tasks MORE "SAS conform", including harness testing >> re-writing everything in C++/F90? BP announced in Santander to be working on this
- big effort by KK (+ others at GOF?) for a reduction of calibration files (122 » 25 !!, 2.8 GB » 1.4 GB !!) » should be followed by **real conversion to CCFs**, to be put under Configuration Control of SAS CCB » use of DAL / CAL?
- need of a "thread" (SS on it)

But: SOC is manpower limited - priorities in other areas (see CG on SAS tomorrow) + taking over more and more tasks (natural evolution)