

*AHELP for CIAO 3.4*

# dataspace

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## Synopsis

Creates a data grid on which models may be evaluated.

## Syntax

```
sherpa> DATASPACE [#] (<range> [, <range>, ...]) [HISTOGRAM]
```

where # specifies the number of the dataset to be associated with the dataspace (default dataset number is 1); <range> is defined below; and HISTOGRAM tells Sherpa to define bins (with lower and upper boundaries) rather than single gridpoints.

## Description

<range> = <start>:<stop>:<delta>, where

### Input Arguments for DATASPACE

Argument	Definition
<start>	The start (minimum) value for the grid.
<stop>	The stop (maximum) value for the grid.
<delta>	The step size between gridpoints.

If HISTOGRAM is specified, the models will be evaluated by integrating over bins of width <delta>; otherwise, models will be evaluated at points on the specified grid.

Note: HISTOGRAM must be specified in order to evaluate XSPEC models additive models (e.g., xsbremss).

A dataspace may also be defined using the Sherpa/S-Lang module functions set\_axes and set\_baxes. (In CIAO 3.0, set\_baxes is the only means by which background dataspaces may be defined.)

## Example 1

Set a 1-D value range on which a source model may be evaluated:

```
sherpa> DATASPACE (1:5:1)
```

This command sets the value range, from values 1 through 5, with a step-size of 1, over which a source model may be evaluated.

## Example 2

Set a 2-D value range on which a source model may be evaluated:

```
sherpa> DATASPACE (1:5:1,1:2:1)
```

This command sets the value ranges, for two dimensions, over which a source model may be evaluated.

## Example 3

Set a 1-D value range on which a source model may be evaluated, for dataset number 2:

```
sherpa> DATASPACE 2 (1:10:1)
```

This command sets the value range, from values 1 through 10, with a step-size of 1, over which a source model may be evaluated, for dataset number 2.

## Bugs

See the [Sherpa bug pages](#) online for an up-to-date listing of known bugs.

## See Also

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[autoest](#), [back](#), [berrors](#), [bsyerrors](#), [bye](#), [calc](#), [kcorr](#), [coord](#), [data](#), [dcounts](#), [dollarsign](#), [echo](#), [eflux](#), [eqwidth](#), [erase](#), [fakeit](#), [feffile](#), [flux](#), [get](#), [get dcounts sum](#), [get dir](#), [get eflux](#), [get eqwidth](#), [get filename](#), [get flux2d](#), [get flux str](#), [get lfactorial](#), [get mcounts sum](#), [get pflux](#), [get source components](#), [get verbose](#), [group](#), [groupbycounts](#), [guess](#), [is](#), [is subtracted](#), [journal](#), [list](#), [list par](#), [load](#), [load arf](#), [load ascii](#), [load back from](#), [load backset](#), [load dataset](#), [load fitsbin](#), [load image](#), [load inst](#), [load inst from](#), [load pha](#), [load pha2](#), [load rmf](#), [mcounts](#), [numbersign](#), [paramest](#), [plot eprof](#), [plot rprof](#), [prompt](#), [read](#), [reset](#), [run](#), [set](#), [set analysis](#), [set axes](#), [set backscale](#), [set coord](#), [set data](#), [set dataspace](#), [set dir](#), [set exptime](#), [set subtract](#), [set verbose](#), [set weights](#), [setback](#), [setdata](#), [setplot](#), [sherpa-module](#), [sherpa plotfns](#), [sherpa utils](#), [show](#), [simspec](#), [subtract](#), [ungroup](#), [unsubtract](#), [use](#), [version](#)

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