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Executive Summary

FISPACT-II is an inventory code capable of performing modelling of activation, transmutations and depletion induced by neutron, proton, alpha, deuteron or gamma particles incident on matter. It is a 21st century code that has been substantially extended to provide many advanced and unique capabilities.

FISPACT-II is written in object-style fortran and has full dynamic memory allocation. It has improved algorithms for the ODE solver, pathways, uncertainty and sensitivity calculations. All these can be used in multi-pulse irradiation calculations, including those where the flux spectrum changes from pulse to pulse. It reads the modern, ENDF-format data libraries, as well as certain legacy libraries such as EAF, and the present version uses the latest TALYS-based TENDL evaluated nuclear data libraries, the latest GEFY fission yields and high-energy residual product data from the latest intra-nuclear cascade and de-excitation INCL++/ABLA codes. Together with probability table data from CALENDF for including self-shielding in the calculations. These libraries allow additional projectiles and nuclides to be included, and make possible additional kerma, emitted spectra, dpa and appm diagnostics.

This document is the User Manual for Version 4.0. It provides installation and containerisation instructions, a 'getting started' tutorial suite, a comprehensive description of all inputs and outputs (including a new JSON output format), a description of the suite of test cases used in the continuous-integration regression tests, information on supported systems and details of utility programs.

Several appendices are provided; the first describes the physical and mathematical models implemented in the code. The second provides details of some example particle spectra suitable for various applications that can be used to simulate the response of materials. A section on nuclear data libraries provides details of those libraries distributed with the code, including the latest versions of several international libraries: TENDL-2017, GEFY-6.1, HEIR-0.1, ENDF/B-VIII.0, JEFF-3.3, JENDL-4.0 and CENDL-3.1.

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1 General information

This document contains guidance and reference material for users of FISPACT-II.

FISPACT-II is an inventory code originally designed to be a functional replacement for FISPACT-2007 [1]. It is written in object-style Fortran 95 [2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7], and has extended physical models and improved numerical algorithms compared to the old code. Users familiar with the old code will be able for most cases to use the new code with their existing control input files. The differences between FISPACT-II and FISPACT-2007 that are relevant to the user are listed in Appendix D.

This version of the user manual refers to the Version 4.0 release of FISPACT-II. There have been five major versions of the code:

Version 0 was a direct functional replacement for FISPACT-2007. It differed in that it used improved algorithms and was written in object Fortran 95. The data encapsulation, together with full dynamic memory allocation provided a robust and flexible platform for the new capabilities introduced in the later versions to be built on.

It used the same user input files and was designed to use the European Activation File (EAF-2007 [8, 9, 10] and EAF-2010 [11, 12, 13]) data sets for cross-section, decay, fission, and radiological quantities and was extensively validated and cross-checked against FISPACT-2007. Discrepancies in the results from the two codes have been shown to arise from the increased number of reactions and improved numerical methods employed in the new code.

Version 1 began the process of extending the activation-transmutation prediction capability whilst maintaining the validation heritage of FISPACT-2007. New pathways and new monte-carlo sensitivity capabilities were introduced to extend both pathways and sensitivity calculations to multi-pulse irradiation cases. The reading and processing of CALENDF [14] probability table data was introduced in the calculation of cross-section collapse to include self-shielding effects in the inventory calculations.

Version 2 The major change introduced in Release 2.0 of FISPACT-II was the addition of the reading and processing of alternative ENDF-format library data sets to meet the needs of the enhanced capabilities. This caused a major overhaul of the data input parts of the software and a huge expansion of the number of nuclides and reactions that can be treated; better fission yield data and cross-section data in more energy groups up to higher energies can now be used (see Appendix A.1 on page 174). This version can also handle more irradiating projectiles (γ , n, p, d, α) and provides additional diagnostic outputs (kerma, dpa and gas appm rates) if the ENDF-format library contains the required input data.

Features added in Release 2.10 are self-shielding using the universal sigmoid curve approximation (c.f., Appendix C.4.4), processing of covariances between differ-

ent reactions, extended pathways analysis features, handling additional isomeric states and the capability to use the TENDL library data.

Version 3 This version marked the change to ENDF-format [15] libraries as the default format for the nuclear data libraries. Energy-dependant fission yield processing was been updated, spontaneous fission yields were included, and the user could select either cumulative or instantaneous fission yield data. A POWER keyword was introduced to allow fission power to be used to define the irradiating flux. The processing of variance-covariance, uncertainty quantification and propagation was also improved.

This release upgraded the nuclear data to TENDL-2015, -2014, ENDFB-VII.1, JEFF 3.2, JENDL 4.0u and CENDL-3.1. It added a nuclear data compression utility to allow faster collapse calculations. The code could handle n, p, d, α and γ irradiation.

Version 4 The current version of FISPACT-II has added covariances and uncertainty propagation for non-neutron irradiation, high-energy nuclear data extensions up to 1 GeV (including a bespoke INCL++/ABLA library), upgrades to TENDL-2017, ENDF/B-VIII, JEFF-3.3 and GEFY-6.1, a new JSON output format, helion- and triton-induced cross sections and a large number of bug-fixes.

The code is, for the first time, rigorously tested, using a continuous-integration framework. This covers a large suite of automatic Docker containers, summarised on http://fispact.ukaea.uk/wiki/Docker_images. Code results are precisely reproducible on these systems, including 16 Linux distributions, macOS and Windows10. Reference results for all systems are provided within distributed system test outputs. Statically compiled binaries are provided with Intel and GNU fortran on all systems, which have been demonstrated to pass tests on over 100 operating system versions.

The online FISPACT-II resources have been expanded to provide more detailed information and distribution of utilities, including a python package `pyfpack`, SPECTRA-PKA and nuclear data through the FISPACT-II website. From version 4.0, FISPACT-II documentation and data dissemination has been shifted primarily through the various online resources.

1.1 What FISPACT-II Does

FISPACT-II is a practical activation-transmutation engineering prediction tool. The four principal tasks that it undertakes are

1. extraction, reduction and storage of nuclear and radiological data from the ENDF library files;
2. construction and solution of the rate equations to determine the time evolution of the inventory in response to different irradiation scenarios. These scenarios include

- (a) a cooling-only calculation;
 - (b) a single irradiation pulse followed by cooling;
 - (c) multiple irradiation pulses where only flux amplitudes change, followed by cooling;
 - (d) multi-step irradiation where flux amplitude, flux spectra and cross-sections may change, followed by cooling.
 - (e) multi-projectile simulation
3. computation and output of derived radiological quantities;
 4. subsidiary calculations to identify the key reactions and decays, and to assess the quality of the predictions. The four main subsidiary items are
 - (a) pathways analysis;
 - (b) uncertainty calculations from pathways;
 - (c) reduced model calculations;
 - (d) monte-carlo sensitivity and uncertainty calculations.

These items are described further in the following subsections.

1.1.1 Library Data Preparation

The library preparation task comprises reading and ‘collapsing’ the cross-section data, reading, ‘condensing’ and storing the decay data and fission data, and storing the regulatory radiological data (potential biological hazards, clearance data and legal transport data).

FISPACT-II constructs ‘effective’ cross-sections by ‘collapsing’ the energy dependent cross-sections in the recommended ENDF libraries, i.e., taking the weighted average over energy of the cross-section weighted by the irradiating projectile flux (Equation (11) on page 217), where the projectiles may be neutrons, protons, deuterons, alpha particles or gamma rays. The collapse process differs slightly depending on the data libraries used, with the default being ENDF 6 format:

ENDF The cross-section data in the TENDL data sources come in three universal fine group structures, the CCFE(709), UKAEA(1102) group schemes for neutron induced cross-sections and the CCFE(162) group scheme for p, d, α , γ , t, and h-induced reactions. The cross-sections are collapsed in the same manner as is used for the legacy data, but the cross-section uncertainties are found using the ENDF-6 [15] LB=5 covariance data in the manner described in Appendix C.2. This data also benefits from a body of verification and validation work, for both the neutron-induced reaction files and simulations based on them (see, for example, [16, 17, 18, 19]).

Also note that a preliminary ENDF data compression step can be used (c.f., Section 7.1) to provide a binary version of the ENDF data that gives a much faster collapse calculation.

EAF The legacy EAF-2010 nuclear data libraries are also included with FISPACT-II in nine different energy group structures. Due to the considerable difference in the quality of the V&V, as well as the continuous development of modern TENDL data, and lack of development of the EAF, users are strongly encouraged to upgrade to a modern library. Many code features are not available for EAF libraries, large parts of the data are out-of-date or erroneous (e.g. fission yields), group microflux weightings are not generally applicable, thresholds are incorrectly described, and more.

The effect of self-shielding on collapsed cross-sections may be introduced using either the probability table method or the universal sigmoid curve method.

In the ‘condensing’ task, decay constants, branching ratios and discrete decay spectra are read from the ENDF (Appendix A.1.4) decay data files. The γ and X-ray lines are used to construct 24-group spectra for use in computing gamma doses from the inventories. In cases where the γ spectrum data are not available, then approximate spectra may be constructed for the purpose of estimating gamma doses (see the **SPEK** keyword and Appendix C.7.3).

Extensive fission yield data for many nuclides are available in the TENDL data in the ENDF library and so the fission association and surrogate daughter schemes used previously are not used anymore

The twenty-four decay types, ten spectrum types and ninety reaction types recognised by FISPACT-II when reading the ENDF and EAF library data are summarised in Tables 19, 20 and 21 in Appendix C. The additional seven MT values for total cross-sections for gas production, eight for kerma and four for dpa that may appear in the TENDL data sets are listed in Table 22. Other MT values that are recognised by the code but are silently ignored are listed in Table 23. The mapping of reaction MT numbers to the CALENDF group MT numbers implemented in FISPACT-II are summarised in Table 24.

Printed summaries of the related library data may be output using the **PRINTLIB** keyword (see page 94).

1.1.2 Inventory Calculation

Library data preparation provides the cross-sections and decay constants needed to construct the coefficients for the rate equations. The rate equations describe the transmutation of the initial inventory by nuclear reactions induced by the projectiles and

by spontaneous radioactive decay (see Appendix C). The inventory calculation then proceeds by

1. setting the physical initial conditions of the target;
2. setting the output selections;
3. specifying the subsidiary calculations;
4. computing the irradiation steps;
5. performing the subsidiary calculations;
6. computing the cooling steps;
7. computing summary data.

Output is written as it becomes available at each step.

The sequence of steps performed in the calculation follows the sequence of steps specified in the user's input file controlling the run. The duration of a step is specified by the user, and typically ranges from fractions of a second to many years. During each step, the irradiating flux amplitude, cross-sections and decay rates are kept constant. Also, it is assumed that the imposed projectile flux is not modified by the reactions and decays in the target material. In consequence, the rate equations are linear and have constant coefficients for each step. The material is homogeneous, infinite and infinitely dilute (but in some circumstances, self-shielding can be accommodated in the model) and the description of the evolution of the nuclide numbers is reduced to a stiff set of ordinary differential equations (see Appendix C.1 on page 216). Unlike FISPACT-2007 [1], FISPACT-II does not use the equilibrium approximation for short-lived nuclides and includes the evolution of actinide sources in the rate equations. The core engine of the FISPACT-II stiff-ODE solver is the LSODES package [20].

If the inventory calculation includes irradiation, then the first step must have a non-zero irradiating flux amplitude. The rate equation coefficients in subsequent steps may be changed in one or more of the following ways

- changing the flux amplitude;
- changing the library cross-section data (e.g., to take account of temperature effects);
- changing the flux spectrum;

The end of the irradiation (heating) phase is signalled by the **ZERO** keyword in the user input file, and it is this keyword that triggers the subsidiary pathways and sensitivity calculations as well as resetting the elapsed time to zero.

The cooling phase is a sequence of steps the same as the irradiation phase, although the projectile flux amplitude is usually, but not necessarily, set to zero and must be zero for the first cooling step (The purpose of cooling steps with irradiation is to provide flexibility in the range of applicability of pathways analysis and graphical output).

The principal output of an inventory calculation step is the inventory of nuclides at the end of the step.

Secondary outputs are derived from the inventory, the choice of which is controlled by a number of the keywords described later in this manual (see Section 4 and Appendix C).

1.1.3 Subsidiary Calculations

A standard inventory calculation employing the latest version of the TENDL library data uses all 3873 nuclides and the many 10s of thousands of reactions that are catalogued in these libraries. The dominant nuclides at the end of a sequence of irradiation pulses can be readily identified from lists of nuclides ordered by various radiological quantities derived from the inventory. These lists do not show which dominant nuclide arose from which initial target nuclide, and by what path.

The subsidiary calculations in FISPACT-II provide tools for the user to probe the reactions and decays in detail. Unlike FISPACT-2007, pathways and sensitivity analyses can be undertaken for a series of irradiation pulses rather than for just a single irradiation pulse. Pathways calculations can be to arbitrary depths, and automatically identify loops that make significant differences to the contribution of the paths on which they lie.

The pathways calculation identifies how much of the inventory of each of the dominant nuclides came from which initial nuclide, and by what chains (and loops) of reactions and decays. Specific routes and paths can be probed independently from the dominant nuclide lists, and specific cross-sections and decay rates can be changed to assess their effects.

A reduced list of nuclides can be generated from the pathways information and full inventory calculations can be undertaken on the reduced set of nuclides and reactions to check whether all important reactions and decays are included.

Uncertainty estimates can be made by combining the pathways information with uncertainty data for cross-sections and decay rates.

Sensitivity calculations provide a complementary method of identifying important reactions, providing uncertainty estimates and for quantifying how the uncertainty in the final amount of a nuclide depends on the uncertainty of specific reactions.

1.2 Structure of the Document

Section 1 contains general information on the version history of FISPACT-II, what it does, and the structure of this document.

Section 2 provides guidance on installing FISPACT-II, running basic tests and running FISPACT-II on one of the supported Docker images.

Section 3 provides an introductory guide to the new user by walking through some example simulations with FISPACT-II. The folders within the `getting_started` subdirectory of the test data tree provided with the code contain all of the required input files, as well as scripts for automatic execution and plotting of results. It provides a useful reference for various kinds of simulations as well as some new features.

Section 4 contains a summary of all the keywords that users may use in the run control files.

A guide to interpreting the output from FISPACT-II is given in Section 5.

The description of the `system_tests` used for testing of FISPACT-II, both by users and within the UKAEA continuous-integration framework, is provided in Section 6.

Section 7 describes the other codes provided for compression of nuclear data, extraction of reaction rate information, production of nuclide indices, output parsing (with a Python package) and generation of emitted particle spectra.

A set of appendices cover the nuclear data used by the code (Appendix A), a suite of reference incident particle spectra for simulation (Appendix B), the detailed description of the models used in FISPACT-II (Appendix C), and the various differences between the modern FISPACT-II and legacy FISPACT-2007 (Appendix D).

2 Installation

2.1 Prerequisites

FISPACT-II binaries having been tested on most mainstream derivations of Linux, macOS and Windows operating systems. The extensive list of supported operating systems are shown in Table 1, using a suite of Docker images. See the FISPACT-II website for details:

https://fispact.ukaea.uk/wiki/Docker_images

FISPACT-II has been compiled with both `gfortran` and `ifort18` with binaries provided for both compilers on almost all supported systems. There are some exceptions, in which `ifort18` is excluded, due to lack of compiler support. It is recommended to

use ifort18 compiled binaries as performance can be improved for all cases tested. Additionally, ifort18 has no dependency on the libquadmath library, which is required for some gfortran compiled binaries. Libquadmath is readily available on most package management systems.

Table 1: Operating systems tested with FISPACT-II using default Docker images (left) and the binaries compiled on various systems with different compilers (right).

OS-version	Tested binaries
Windows-7	Windows-10_win32_Intel-2018 Windows-10_x64_Intel-2018 (32 and 64 bit)
Windows-10	Windows-10_win32_Intel-2018 Windows-10_x64_Intel-2018 (32 and 64 bit)
macOS-10.12 (Sierra)	macOS-10.12.6_Intel-2018 macOS-10.12.6_gfortran_5 macOS-10.12.6_gfortran_6 macOS-10.12.6_gfortran_7
macOS-10.13 (High Sierra)	macOS-10.13.3_Intel-2018 macOS-10.13.3_gfortran_5 macOS-10.13.3_gfortran_6 macOS-10.13.3_gfortran_7
Ubuntu-latest	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-xenial	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-16.04	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-trusty	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-14.04	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-devel	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-bionic	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-18.04	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-rolling	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7

Ubuntu-artful	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-zesty	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-17.04	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-17.10	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Ubuntu-12.04	Ubuntu-16.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-5 Ubuntu-16.04_GNU-7 Ubuntu-17.10_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-17.10_GNU-7 Ubuntu-18.04_Intel-2018 Ubuntu-18.04_GNU-7
Alpine-latest	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
Alpine-edge	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
Alpine-3.7	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
Alpine-3.6	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
Alpine-3.5	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
Alpine-3.4	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
Alpine-3.3	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
Alpine-3.2	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
Alpine-3.1	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
Alpine-2.7	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
Alpine-2.6	Alpine-3.6_Intel-2018 Alpine-3.6_GNU-6
openSUSE-latest	openSUSE-42.3_Intel-2018 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-5 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-7
openSUSE-leap	openSUSE-42.3_Intel-2018 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-5 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-7
openSUSE-tumbleweed	openSUSE-42.3_Intel-2018 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-5 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-7
openSUSE-42.3	openSUSE-42.3_Intel-2018 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-5 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-7
openSUSE-42.2	openSUSE-42.3_Intel-2018 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-5 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-7
openSUSE-42.1	openSUSE-42.3_Intel-2018 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-5 openSUSE-42.3_GNU-7
CentOS-latest	CentOS-6.9_Intel-2018 CentOS-6.9_GNU-6 CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
CentOS-6	CentOS-6.9_Intel-2018 CentOS-6.9_GNU-6 CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
CentOS-7	CentOS-6.9_Intel-2018 CentOS-6.9_GNU-6 CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
CentOS-6.9	CentOS-6.9_Intel-2018 CentOS-6.9_GNU-6 CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
CentOS-6.8	CentOS-6.9_Intel-2018 CentOS-6.9_GNU-6 CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6

CentOS-6.7	CentOS-6.9_Intel-2018 CentOS-6.9_GNU-6 CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
CentOS-6.6	CentOS-6.9_Intel-2018 CentOS-6.9_GNU-6 CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
CentOS-7.0.1406	CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
CentOS-7.1.1503	CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
CentOS-7.2.1511	CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
CentOS-7.3.1611	CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
CentOS-7.4.1708	CentOS-7.4_Intel-2018 CentOS-7.4_GNU-6
Fedora-latest	Fedora-26_Intel-2018 Fedora-26_GNU-7 Fedora-27_GNU-7
Fedora-rawhide	Fedora-26_Intel-2018 Fedora-26_GNU-7 Fedora-27_GNU-7
Fedora-27	Fedora-26_Intel-2018 Fedora-26_GNU-7 Fedora-27_GNU-7
Fedora-26	Fedora-26_Intel-2018 Fedora-26_GNU-7 Fedora-27_GNU-7
Fedora-25	Fedora-26_Intel-2018 Fedora-26_GNU-7 Fedora-27_GNU-7
Fedora-24	Fedora-26_Intel-2018 Fedora-26_GNU-7 Fedora-27_GNU-7
Fedora-23	Fedora-26_Intel-2018 Fedora-26_GNU-7 Fedora-27_GNU-7
Fedora-22	Fedora-26_Intel-2018 Fedora-26_GNU-7 Fedora-27_GNU-7
Fedora-21	Fedora-26_Intel-2018 Fedora-26_GNU-7 Fedora-27_GNU-7
Debian-latest	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-rc-buggy	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-experimental	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-7-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-7.11-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-wheezy-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-wheezy-backports	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-7	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-7.11	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-wheezy	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-unstable-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-testing-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-testing	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-9-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-9.3-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-stretch	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-stretch-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-9	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-9.3	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-stable	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-sid	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-sid-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-oldstable	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-oldstable-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-8	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-8-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-8.10-slim	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-8.10	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
Debian-jessie	Debian-9_Intel-2018 Debian-9_GNU-7
LinuxMint-latest	LinuxMint-18_Intel-2018 LinuxMint-18_GNU-5
LinuxMint-18.0	LinuxMint-18_Intel-2018 LinuxMint-18_GNU-5
LinuxMint-18.1	LinuxMint-18_Intel-2018 LinuxMint-18_GNU-5
LinuxMint-18.2	LinuxMint-18_Intel-2018 LinuxMint-18_GNU-5
LinuxMint-18	LinuxMint-18_Intel-2018 LinuxMint-18_GNU-5
LinuxMint-17.3	LinuxMint-18_Intel-2018 LinuxMint-18_GNU-5

LinuxMint-17	LinuxMint-18_Intel-2018 LinuxMint-18_GNU-5
OracleLinux-latest	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6 OracleLinux-7.4_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-7.4_GNU-6
OracleLinux-7.4	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6 OracleLinux-7.4_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-7.4_GNU-6
OracleLinux-7.3	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6 OracleLinux-7.4_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-7.4_GNU-6
OracleLinux-7.2	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6 OracleLinux-7.4_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-7.4_GNU-6
OracleLinux-7.1	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6 OracleLinux-7.4_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-7.4_GNU-6
OracleLinux-7.0	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6 OracleLinux-7.4_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-7.4_GNU-6
OracleLinux-7	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6 OracleLinux-7.4_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-7.4_GNU-6
OracleLinux-7-slim	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6 OracleLinux-7.4_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-7.4_GNU-6
OracleLinux-6.7	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6
OracleLinux-6.8	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6
OracleLinux-6.9	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6
OracleLinux-6	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6
OracleLinux-6-slim	OracleLinux-6.9_Intel-2018 OracleLinux-6.9_GNU-6
ScientificLinux-latest	ScientificLinux-6_Intel-2018 ScientificLinux-6_GNU-6 ScientificLinux-7_Intel-2018 ScientificLinux-7_GNU-6
ScientificLinux-7	ScientificLinux-6_Intel-2018 ScientificLinux-6_GNU-6 ScientificLinux-7_Intel-2018 ScientificLinux-7_GNU-6
ScientificLinux-6	ScientificLinux-6_Intel-2018 ScientificLinux-6_GNU-6

Certain operating systems have been completely statically linked, removing any dependency on external libraries. These systems are:

- Ubuntu
- Alpine (ifort18 not supported)
- Debian
- Linux Mint

For others that are not complete static binaries, there is a dependency on the GNU C Library (glibc) version. Older systems may not have the correct versions of glibc and as a result FISPACT-II binaries may not run. In these circumstances contact the developers for assistance.

Windows binaries are exempt from the dependencies above, with the exception of the kernel32.dll and imagehelp.dll libraries, which are expected to be present on all default installations of Windows. Both 32 and 64 bit versions are included.

The tar command line tool, or similar, is required for decompressing nuclear data libraries and system tests, since they are delivered as compressed .tar.bz2 files.

2.2 Install Binaries

The installation of FISPACT-II is a relatively simple procedure, provided that you meet the prerequisites. If your operating system is not supported, or there is an issue with dependencies, an alternative is to use Docker – see Section 2.7 for more on this. However, if Docker is not an option, then please contact the FISPACT-II team at <http://fispact.ukaea.uk/contact/> for guidance.

In the FISPACT-II directory the top level contents are as below:

```
bin      system_tests      nuclear_data      getting_started
```

FISPACT-II binaries are located in bin directory. The structure of the sub directories abides by the following schema:

```
bin\<<operating_system>\<version>\<compiler>
```

where <compiler> is either ifort18 or gfortran. Exceptions to this are Alpine, Arch Linux and Fedora 27, which only support gfortran and Windows, which only supports ifort18 (but for both 32 and 64 bit versions). For Windows <compiler> is then either ifort18_win32 or ifort18_x64.

At the lowest level, the bin directories should contain eight files in total - four binary files, and four matching symbolic links.

```
compress_xs_endf -> compress_xs_endf-4.0.0
compress_xs_endf-4.0.0
extract_xs_endf -> extract_xs_endf-4.0.0
extract_xs_endf-4.0.0
fispact -> fispact-4.0.0
fispact-4.0.0
listreactions -> listreactions-4.0.0
listreactions-4.0.0
```

An additional program is shipped in the ifort18 compiler directory, namely the makenuclideindex program. This is an ifort18 specific program and hence it is not included with the gfortran binaries. In the ifort18 case, there should be a total of ten files - five binary files, and five matching symbolic links.

```
compress_xs_endf -> compress_xs_endf-4.0.0
compress_xs_endf-4.0.0
extract_xs_endf -> extract_xs_endf-4.0.0
extract_xs_endf-4.0.0
fispact -> fispact-4.0.0
fispact-4.0.0
listreactions -> listreactions-4.0.0
listreactions-4.0.0
```

```
makenuclideindex -> makenuclideindex-4.0.0  
makenuclideindex-4.0.0
```

To install, simply copy all binaries and symbolic link files to your desired binary installation directory.

2.3 Install Nuclear Data

The nuclear data for FISPACT-II is rather large and each data library is therefore compressed into a `.tar.bz2` file. The compressed libraries can be found in the `nuclear_data` directory. To decompress each library, using the `tar` command line tool, can be performed with the following command:

```
tar xvjf <filename>.tar.bz2
```

To decompress all at once use the following command

```
for file in *.tar.bz2; do tar xvjf $file; done
```

Note that this will only work for Linux/Mac systems. Some Windows machines do come with the `tar` command, but the above command will not work on Windows, since it is bash syntax. For Windows users to decompress `.tar.bz2` file, we recommend 7zip.

Once all nuclear data libraries have been decompressed it is vital to preserve the folder hierarchy and structure within the parent `nuclear_data` directory. All system tests and getting started examples make references to these nuclear data libraries, assuming the compressed folder structure. Where you choose to put the parent `nuclear_data` directory is then a matter of personal preference, since there is no dependency on the FISPACT-II binary location.

2.4 Setup

It is advisable to set an environment variable for the `fispact` binary. To run the system tests and the getting started examples, it is a requirement for them to run correctly. The variable `FISPACT` must point to the absolute path of the `fispact` executable. To set it on Linux/Mac systems:

```
export FISPACT=/path/to/...../fispact/bin/fispact
```

and on Windows:

```
set FISPACT=C:\path\to\.....\fispact\bin\fispact.exe
```

2.5 Running System Tests

Running the system tests is optional but advisable, as it indicates if your installation of FISPACT-II is successful. If you want to ignore the system tests then please skip this section.

The system tests which are used for FISPACT-II development and verification are also shipped for users to test. Containing 46 test suites, with 419 test cases in all, bash (*.sh) and windows batch (*.bat) scripts are provided for users to run, after installing FISPACT-II.

The system tests can be found in the `system_tests` directory, and are compressed into a `.tar.bz2` file. Upon extracting the tests, they must be copied to the same parent directory as the `nuclear_data` directory. As mentioned in the previous section, these test cases refer to the nuclear data libraries, using relative paths, to maintain system independence. Thus, the acceptable installation of `nuclear_data` and `system_tests` folders is as follows:

```
/path/to/fispact/installation/nuclear_data  
/path/to/fispact/installation/system_tests
```

Any other combination will result in test failures for all system tests. For example, the below installation paths **will not work**:

```
/path/to/nuclear_data  
/path/to/something/else/system_tests
```

A `runall.sh` (Linux/Mac) and `runall.bat` (Windows) script file is provided at the top level inside the `system_tests` directory. This script must be run within the `system_tests` directory.

To run on Linux/Mac systems:

```
cd path/to/fispact/installation/system_tests  
bash runall.sh
```

To run on Windows systems:

```
cd C:\path\to\fispact\installation\system_tests  
runall.bat
```

Running this script will run all 46 test suites, containing all 419 test cases. This may take some time, depending on the system, but it is not unexpected to take in excess of an hour to run all.

It is expected that all 419 cases succeed, no cases are expected to fail. A summary is printed at the end of the test run, which should be as below:

```

=====
Tests ran without errors: 419
Tests ran with fatal errors: 0
=====

```

If you experience any failures, this can be a sign on an incorrect installation or that the system is unsupported. Please check that the nuclear data and code have been installed correctly and contact support for assistance if you still encounter errors.

2.6 Advisory Notes

We recommend that users create an installation directory namely FISPACT-II or fispact which preserves the delivered hierarchy. For example, as below:

```

/path/to/...../FISPACT-II/bin           # all binaries here - fispact,...
/path/to/...../FISPACT-II/nuclear_data  # all nuclear data libraries here
/path/to/...../FISPACT-II/system_tests  # all system test files here
/path/to/...../FISPACT-II/getting_started # all getting started files here

```

with the environment variable FISPACT set (on Linux):

```
export FISPACT=/path/to/...../FISPACT-II/bin/fispact
```

and as on Windows:

```
set FISPACT=C:\path\to\.....\FISPACT-II\bin\fispact.exe
```

2.7 Docker

If your system is unsupported, or installation has been unsuccessful, then it may be possible to make use of Docker to run fispact. Docker is a software technology providing operating-system-level virtualization, otherwise known as containers. It is widely supported on many operating systems and may help on legacy and/or unsupported systems.

There are a number of official FISPACT-II Docker images on the Docker hub at <https://hub.docker.com/u/fispact/>. Amongst the various different flavours of images, some incorporate the nuclear data in binary format, embedded in the image. Whilst removing the need to install the nuclear data, it also substantially improves calculation performance by using binary data files generated with the `compress_xs_endf` tool – see Section 7.1. The Docker images do not contain FISPACT-II binaries and they must be mounted in at run time, using the volume mount argument `"-v"`.

All images come with a gfortran compiler and all FISPACT-II dependencies. Additionally they have installations of Python3, with the FISPACT-II `pypact` package in-

cluded. The recommended image is `fispact/ubuntu:16.04_gfortran_5_data`, which is an Ubuntu 16.04 image with gfortran 5 installed, containing the full nuclear data libraries in binary format. To get this image execute these commands from a terminal:

```
docker pull fispact/ubuntu:16.04_gfortran_5_data
```

To run the image interactively with your FISPACT-II binaries:

```
docker run -it \  
-v /path/to/fispact/installation/bin/ubuntu/16.04/ifort18:/fispact \  
fispact/ubuntu:16.04_gfortran_5_data bash
```

While inside the running container you should find the FISPACT-II binaries in the `/fispact` directory.

3 Getting Started

This section provides a simple step-by-step guide to running FISPACT-II for new users. The inputs required and code executions are described through an example simulation in Sections 3.2-3.6. It is recommended that new users read through this example before moving on to the others which explore different capabilities of the code, nuclear data capabilities and utilities.

The user interface of FISPACT-II differs from that of FISPACT-2007 primarily in the use of command line arguments in running the program and the availability of more user-friendly mnemonics and comments in the `files` file. Users of FISPACT-2007 will need to make a few changes to their input files in order to take advantage of the superior capabilities of FISPACT-II.

For those who have legacy input files employing EAF nuclear data, Section 3.8 provides all of the required steps to translate outdated input files and perform simulations with ENDF-format data.

3.1 Install Getting Started

The getting started examples are introduced solely for the benefit of the user to become accustomed to FISPACT-II. Similar to the system tests, as described in Section 2.5, a bash (`*.sh`) and windows batch (`*.bat`) script are provided for users to run after installing FISPACT-II.

The getting started examples can be found in the `getting_started` directory. Unlike the system tests, they are uncompressed. However, a similar procedure to system test installation must occur for the getting started examples. They must be copied to the same parent directory as the `nuclear_data` directory. Once again, these test cases refer

to the nuclear data libraries using relative paths to maintain system independence. The acceptable installation of `nuclear_data` and `getting_started` folders is as follows:

```
/path/to/fispact/installation/nuclear_data  
/path/to/fispact/installation/system_tests  
/path/to/fispact/installation/getting_started
```

Any other combination will result in test failures for all getting started examples. For example, the below installation paths **will not work**:

```
/path/to/nuclear_data  
/path/to/system_tests  
/path/to/something/else/getting_started
```

3.2 Introduction

FISPACT-II possesses many features but the most common simulations are performed with time-dependent inventories, observables and emitted particle data. The code operates in four stages:

1. process the library data;
 - collapse cross-section data with incident particle spectra
 - condense decay and fission yield data
 - print summary of library and simulation-specific data
2. set initial conditions;
3. run irradiation (heating) phases;
4. run cooling phases;

All of these stages can be undertaken in a single run of FISPACT-II, but the library data processing produces intermediate binary files that can be reused for many inventory calculations. In this introduction we shall separate the parts of the library processing (item 1) from the inventory calculation (items 2-4).

To run FISPACT-II for the first time, find the `getting_started` directory which came with the code. Within it should be several folders with different example simulations. We provide detailed instructions for the `FNS_Inconel` example in the following sections, followed by summary information on the others. Within the `FNS_Inconel/` folder of `getting_started/` there are six files:

```
collapse.i      condense.i      files          fluxes  
inventory.i     print_lib.i
```

All those with the <fileroot>.i extension reference specific parts of the simulation and contain FISPACT-II keywords which specify what sort of simulation is to be performed. The fluxes file contains the data summarising the incident particle spectra. The files file contains a mapping of physical directories and files to the input and channels for all inputs that FISPACT-II will require for the simulation. Output channels that are not mapped in the files file have their names automatically generated from the <fileroot> name.

Before continuing with the use of the code, we must briefly outline the anatomy of the files file, since this must correctly point to the required data in order to proceed. Within files we find:

```
# index of nuclides to be included
ind_nuc ../../nuclear_data/TENDL2017data/tendl17_decay12_index

# Library cross section data
xs_endf ../../nuclear_data/TENDL2017data/tal2017-n/gxs-709

# Library probability tables for self-shielding
prob_tab ../../nuclear_data/TENDL2017data/tal2017-n/tp-709-294

#fluxes
fluxes fluxes

# Library decay data
dk_endf ../../nuclear_data/decay/decay_2012

# Library fission data
fy_endf ../../nuclear_data/GEFY61data/gefy61_nfy
sf_endf ../../nuclear_data/GEFY61data/gefy61_sfy

# Library regulatory data
hazards ../../nuclear_data/decay/hazards_2012
clear ../../nuclear_data/decay/clear_2012
a2data ../../nuclear_data/decay/a2_2012

# gamma attenuation data
absorp ../../nuclear_data/decay/abs_2012

# collapsed cross section data (in and out)
collapxi COLLAPX
collapxo COLLAPX

# condensed decay and fission data (in and out)
arrayx ARRAYX
```

The hashed comments provide intuitive descriptions, and are followed by two-column entries which give a FISPACT-II file keyword followed by either a directory or file location. For example, the first entry ind_nuc provides the file location for the list of nuclides to be included in the simulation index, the xs_endf points to the directory

containing all of the ENDF-formatted cross section data, *etc.* Summaries of the unit names for FISPACT-II data inputs are provided in Tables 2, 3 and 4. Before continuing with the example simulation, ensure that the paths within your files file correctly point to the data in your installation.

Table 2: Mapping of internal unit names to external CALENDF and ENDF directories of library files.

unit name	unit number	Library directory (CALENDF or ENDF)
prob_tab	51	Probability table data
xs_endf	52	Resonance, cross-section and covariance data
dk_endf	53	Decay and its uncertainty data
fy_endf	54	Induced fission yield data
sf_endf	54	Spontaneous fission yield data
xs_endfb	55	Binary compressed cross-section and covariance data

Table 3: Mapping of internal unit names to external flux files and to intermediate cross-section and decay files.

unit name	unit number	description of file
arb_flux	3	Energy group structure, projectile spectrum and wall loading for arbitrary group structure.
fluxes	20	Projectile spectrum and wall loading for a standard group structure.
arrayx	13	Input and output condensed decay library.
collapxi	12	Input collapsed cross-section library.
collapxo	17	Output collapsed cross-section library.

Table 4: Mapping of internal unit names to other external library files.

unit name	unit number	Library files
absorp	39	Element gamma absorption data
ind_nuc	18	Index of materials included in run
ind_nuco	49	Output file for reduced index of materials from pathways
a2data	11	A2 transport data
clear	40	Clearance data
hazards	14	Biological hazards data

Once the appropriate executable has been installed on the user's path, FISPACT-II can be simply run with one of the the commands:

```
fispact <fileroot>
fispact <fileroot> <files>
```


<fileroot> is the name root of all the user input and output files for a run of the code. The input file has the name <fileroot>.i, and the output files have names <fileroot>.<ext>, where the list extensions is given in Table 5. If an alternative to the default output streams are wanted, then extra lines may be added to files to direct output from the appropriate unit name. For example, to send graphical output to file mygraph.out rather than <fileroot>.gra add the following to files:

```
# route graphical output to mygraph.out
graph mygraph.out
```

If an alternative to the default files is being used, it must be included in the command after the input file name. For example, if the input file is called example.i, then the run

```
fispact example
```

would read from files, generate the output file example.out, the log file example.log, and any other requested outputs. If an alternative files_new file is required, the following command will read from the alternative files file:

```
fispact example files_new
```

We will continue in the following sections with the example simulation of an FNS_Inconel irradiation, explaining the purpose of, and instructing the user in, every part of the code execution.

Table 5: Filename extensions for user input and output files.

extension	unit name	description
.i	input	The run control file
.out	output	The main output file
.log	runlog	The logging and error output file
.gra	graph	The graphical data output file
.plt	gnuplot	The gnuplot plot command file
.sens	sens	The raw sensitivity data output file
.tab1	tab1	Number of atoms and grams of each nuclide table
.tab2	tab2	Activity and dose rate of each nuclide table
.tab3	tab3	Ingestion and inhalation dose of each nuclide table
.tab4	tab4	Gamma spectrum table

3.3 Cross-section Collapse

The ENDF libraries contain cross-sections as functions of the energy of the incoming projectile. For the example we are considering here (TENDL2017data/ta12017-n) the

incoming projectile is the neutron; this is the default, but other projectiles may be selected using the **PROJECTILE** keyword. FISPACT-II reduces each cross-section to a single value by taking the energy-dependent integral with the provided spectrum of the incoming projectile flux ('collapsing', see Equation (25) on page 223). The input file in the `getting_started` directory that instructs FISPACT-II to collapse the cross-sections and the cross-section uncertainties is `collapse.i`:

```
<< -----collapse cross section data----- >>
CLOBBER
GETXS 1 709
FISPACT
* COLLAPSE tal2017-n/gxs-709 decay12 index
PRINTLIB 4
END
* END OF RUN
```

The details of each input keyword can be found within the manual. In this case the **CLOBBER** command allows FISPACT-II to overwrite output files if they already exist with the same name.

The first argument (1) of the **GETXS** keyword tells the program to collapse cross-sections from the ENDF library files within the `xs_endf` directory specified in `files` and write the collapsed values to the file specified by `collapxo`. Substituting a 0 in the first argument instructs FISPACT-II to read from a pre-collapsed `collapxo` file. The second argument specifies that the 709 group energy multi-group should be used. For all TENDL neutron data the data is provided in a 709 group structure.

The ENDF-format libraries contain internal information about the projectile and energy group boundaries and will perform a consistency check when the collapse is initialised.

The **FISPACT** keyword enters a labelling line and marks the end of the library preparation section of the input control file. The **PRINTLIB 4** line causes a summary of the collapsed cross-sections to be printed. Other options for **PRINTLIB** can be used to output different data or a limited subset to minimise disk-space requirements. The **END** keyword marks the end of the input. Note that although the comments which begin with `*` can be filled with arbitrary text, they are *required* for the inputs. The added comments within `<< -----comment----- >>` which appear throughout the examples can be inserted at liberty.

To perform the collapse, type

```
fispact collapse
```

You should see the output

```
collapse: cpu time = 38.2      secs.      2 errors/warnings, for details
```

see runlog file, collapse.log

where the cpu time will be changed to that appropriate to your computer. Note that the TENDL data contains complete covariance treatment that generally requires non-negligible cpu time within the collapse.

You will find that new files `collapse.log`, `collapse.out` and `COLLAPX` have appeared in the present working directory. The first two are text files, and the third is a binary file of data that can be used as input for later runs.

The log file contains a summary of the files linked to the program, monitoring echo of the keywords and actions, a list of the files used, a summary of the cpu times and a list of all warning and errors encountered. The output file contains the header summary, the collapsed cross-sections and uncertainties, run identification information and a summary of the files used.

Many warnings are triggered when FISPACT-II attempts to extract information which is not available in the nuclear data libraries, due to incompleteness of the files produced by evaluators. These warnings should not be interpreted as a failure of the code, but prevent users from being ignorant of the holes which exist in the major nuclear data libraries.

Figure 1 shows the input and output files used in a collapse run, where the file unit names are mapped to physical files according to the specifications in the `files` file and `<fileroot>`. In cases where self-shielding using the probability table method is included, there are additional inputs through the `prob_tab` file unit.

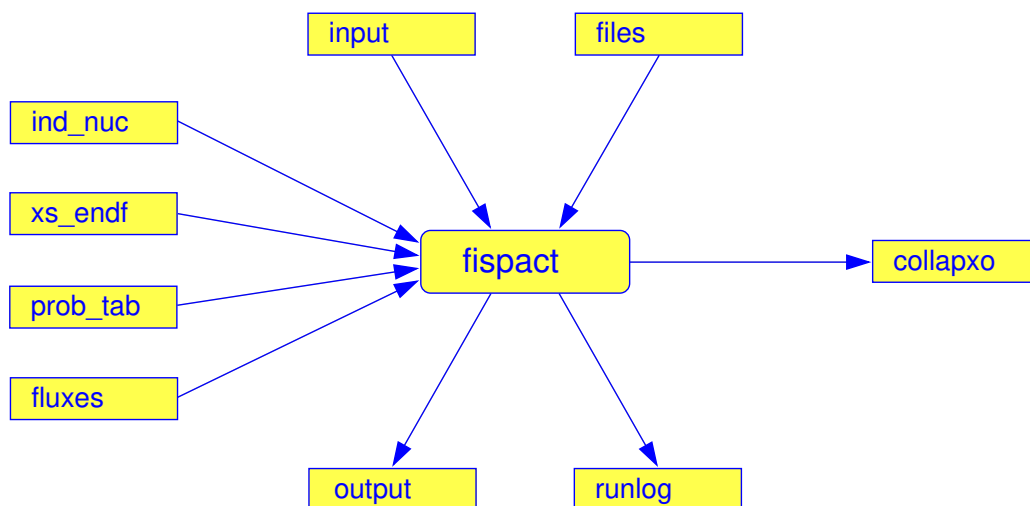


Figure 1: The files used by FISPACT-II in the cross-section collapse run example. The `files` file maps the internal file names shown in the figure to the actual files used by the run.

3.4 Decay Data Condense

The next stage is to condense the decay and fission data. The input file for this is `condense.i`:

```
<< -----condense decay data----- >>
CLOBBER
SPEK
GETDECAY 1
FISPACT
* CONDENSE dec_2012, tal2017-n/GEF61-nFY
END
* END OF RUN
```

The **CLOBBER** keyword is used again to allow overwriting of existing output files. **SPEK** causes approximate γ -spectra to be generated for nuclides in the decay library that have no spectral data. **GETDECAY 1** causes the decay data to be read from the decay library files connected to `dk_endf` by the `files` file. The **FISPACT** keyword marks the end of the library processing section of the input and **END** marks the end of input.

To do the run to condense the decay data, type

```
fispact condense
```

and you should get at the terminal window a message of the form

```
condense: cpu time = 7.67      secs.    1 error/warning, for details
          see runlog file, condense.log
```

and the program will have generated ascii output files `condense.log`, `condense.out` and binary file `ARRAYX`.

Figure 2 shows the input and output files used in the condense run example, where the file unit names are mapped to real files according to the specifications in the `files` file. Note that a summary of the files used and their mapping is written to the output and log files for all runs to provide a quality record.

3.5 Library Summary Printing

The library summary print example `print_lib` uses the binary files containing cross-section and decay data generated by the collapse and condense runs above:

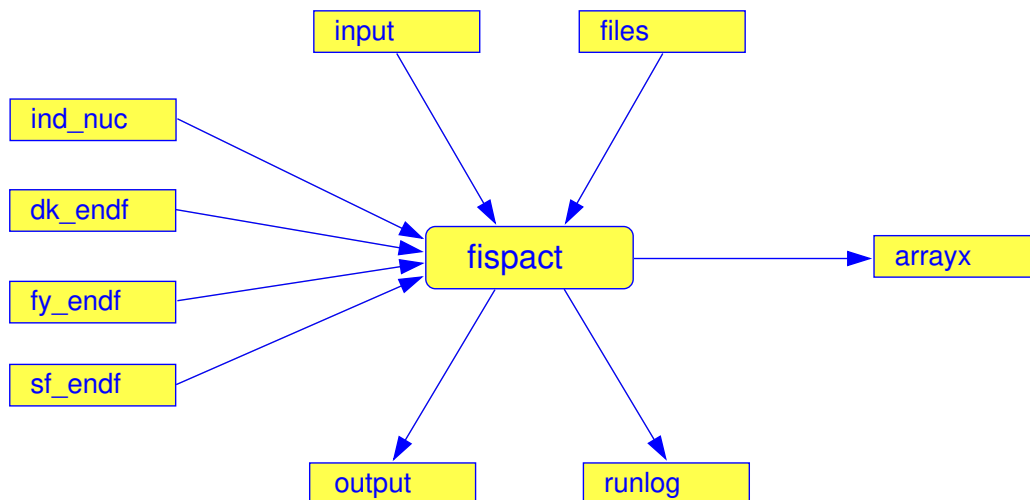


Figure 2: The files used by FISPACT-II in the decay and fission data condense run example.

```
<< print library data summary >>
CLOBBER
<< read condensed and collapsed data >>
GETXS 0
GETDECAY 0
FISPACT
* PRINTLIB for FNS tal2017-n/gxs-709 dec2012/gef61
PRINTLIB 0
END
* END OF PRINTLIB
```

The keywords **GETXS** and **GETDECAY** with 0 arguments instruct FISPACT-II to read cross-section and decay data from the binary files mapped to collapxi and arrayx, respectively. See the definition of **PRINTLIB** on page 94 for details of the tables printed.

To generate print_lib.out, run

```
fispact print_lib
```

3.6 Inventory Calculation

At this point the fluxes and nuclear data have been used to calculate all of the effective cross sections and prepare the decay data for time-dependent simulations. Now we must provide the initial conditions and typically then simulate some irradiation and cooling phases. FISPACT-II will then return various quantities such as activity,

(spectroscopic) heat, dose rates, emitted spectra and various other quantities.

The example file for the inventory calculation is `inventory.i`. We break the input into four sections in order to easily understand the simulation. The first part reads in the collapsed and condensed data just as in the `print_lib` example:

```
<< -----set initial switches and get nuclear data----- >>
CLOBBER
GETXS 0
GETDECAY 0
FISPACT
* FNS 5 Minutes Inconel-600
```

The second part specifies the initial conditions. In this case the **MASS** keyword specifies 1g of four elements (the constituents of Inconel-600) and the mass percent of each. The density is given by **DENSITY** in g cm^{-3} and the natural isotopic abundances are computed from internal tables.

```
<< -----set initial conditions----- >>
DENSITY 8.42
MASS 1.0E-3 4
NI 75.82
MN 0.39
FE 7.82
CR 15.97
MIND 1E3
GRAPH 5 2 1 1 2 3 4 5
UNCERTAINTY 2
HALF
HAZARDS
```

The next two keywords are output selectors. The **MIND** keyword gives the threshold inventory (in atoms) for a nuclide to be displayed in the output tables. The **GRAPH** keyword causes the generation of a gnuplot data and gnuplot command file for plotting total activity and ingestion dose during the cooling period. The various printing options are described in Section 4.58.

The **UNCERTAINTY** keyword causes pathways analysis to be undertaken for the irradiation period, and for uncertainties to be output. The remaining two keywords are output selectors to control the output printed for each time interval of the calculation. In this case the selections are: output of ingestion and inhalation doses (**HAZARDS**) and half lives (**HALF**).

Now that the nuclear data inputs, initial conditions and printing options have been selected, the irradiation and cooling must be specified. At any given time of interest,

the keyword **ATOMS** will cause FISPACT-II to output the inventory with various observables and when included before any time-steps, it will cause the initial state to be printed to the output file.

The **FLUX** keyword specifies the energy integrated neutron flux in $\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$. In this example, an irradiation phase of 5 minutes is specified with the **TIME** keyword, followed by another call of **ATOMS** to give the new inventory.

```
<< -----irradiation phase----- >>  
FLUX 1.116E+10  
ATOMS  
TIME 5.0 MINS  
ATOMS
```

The cooling phase is started by the **ZERO** keyword. This resets the time origin, causes the pathways analysis to be performed over all the steps preceding it, and initiates the saving of data for the graphs. **NOTE:** *there must be at least **two** cooling steps for the graph output to be plotted.*

```
<< -----cooling phase----- >>  
FLUX 0.  
ZERO  
TIME 36 ATOMS  
TIME 15 ATOMS  
TIME 16 ATOMS  
TIME 15 ATOMS  
TIME 15 ATOMS  
TIME 26 ATOMS  
TIME 33 ATOMS  
TIME 36 ATOMS  
TIME 53 ATOMS  
TIME 66 ATOMS  
TIME 66 ATOMS  
TIME 97 ATOMS  
TIME 127 ATOMS  
TIME 126 ATOMS  
TIME 187 ATOMS  
TIME 246 ATOMS  
TIME 244 ATOMS  
TIME 246 ATOMS  
TIME 428 ATOMS  
TIME 606 ATOMS  
TIME 607 ATOMS  
END  
* END  
/*
```

Each of the **TIME** keywords is followed by a time (whose default units are seconds) which steps the simulation forward. For this simulation, the 5 minute irradiation is

followed by 36 seconds of cooling, then another 15 seconds then another 16, *etc.* These time-steps have been chosen to fit the experimental results from the FNS Inconel-600 irradiation.

To run the inventory calculation, type:

```
fispact inventory
```

This should cause the output shown below to appear at the terminal window.

```
inventory:cpu time = 1.44      secs.    5 errors/warnings, for details
                see runlog file, inventory.log
```

The files `inventory.log`, `inventory.out`, `inventory.gra` and `inventory.plt` are also created by this run. If the user has `gnuplot` installed on their path, to plot the data contained within the `inventory.gra` file to a postscript output file, type

```
gnuplot inventory.plt
```

Other plotting outputs are available with different options for the **GRAPH** keyword, and the options selected in this case plot the sample heat with uncertainty, as shown in Figure 3. We will revisit this example with other nuclear data libraries and compare against the experimental data in the following examples.

Figure 4 shows the input and output files used in the inventory run example, where the file unit names are mapped to real files according to the specifications in the `files` file.

3.7 Example simulations

The following subsections describe realistic example simulations with complete FISPACT-II inputs, execution instructions and outputs. These both form a mini-tutorial for new users and a set of templates for typical simulations. While most of the outputs are intuitive, any queries should be directed to the ‘interpretation of outputs’ Section 5.

3.7.1 Using different nuclear data

FISPACT-II is distributed with numerous processed nuclear data libraries. While these libraries may be effectively interchangeable (indeed many files are actually copies from one library) for some specific simulations, such as reactor criticality, they are generally quite different. Particularly with activation calculations, many reaction channels included in some files are omitted in those from other libraries. The completeness of

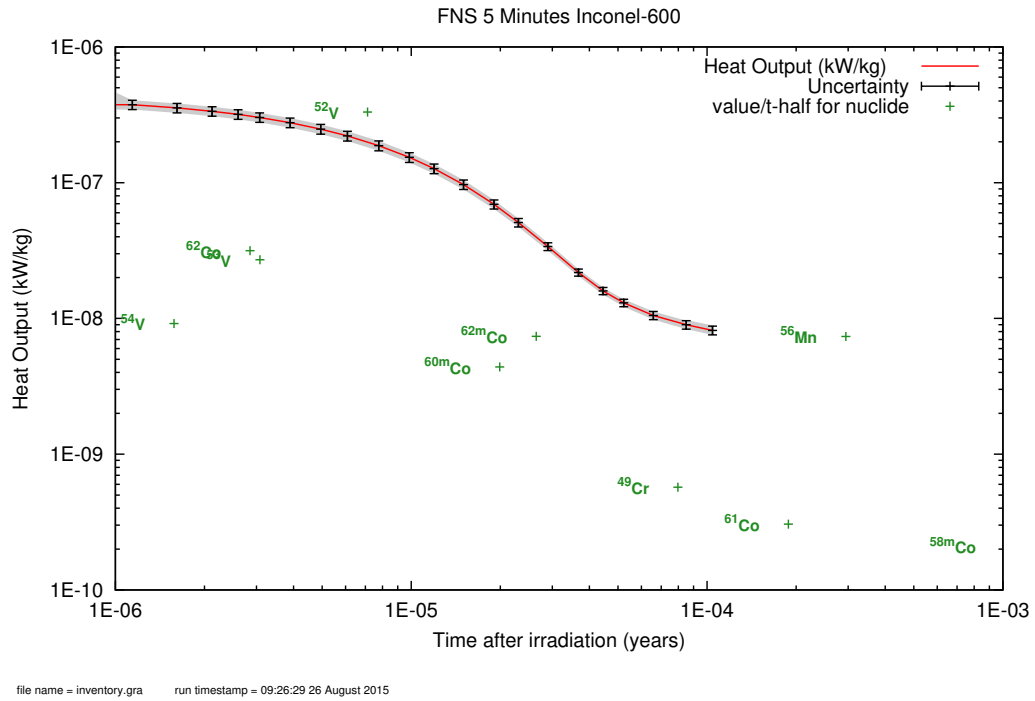


Figure 3: The total heat graph produced by the inventory run.

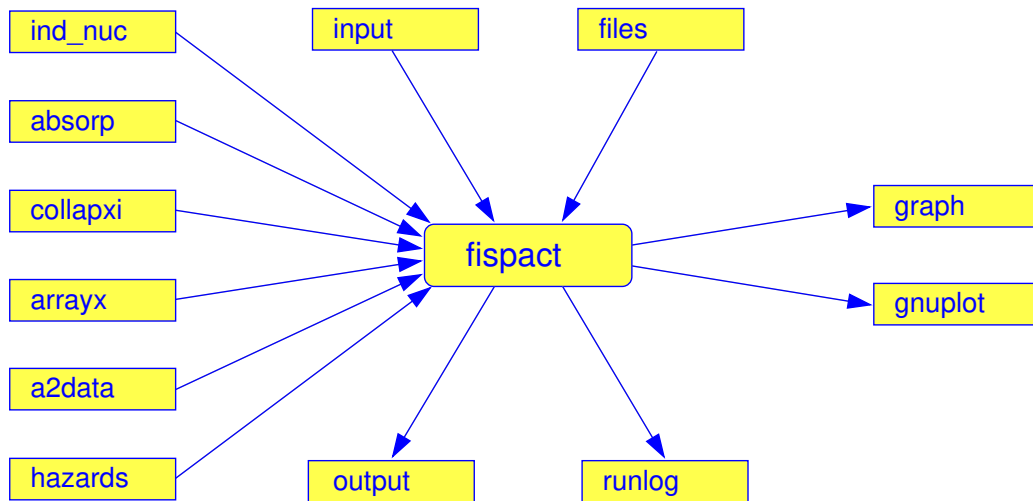


Figure 4: The files used by FISPACT-II in the inventory run example.

TENDL ensures that this issue does not occur, but for others erroneous simulations can occur without warnings regarding the missing data.

The FNS 5-minute irradiation of Inconel-600 simulated in the above example can be easily done with different nuclear data using FISPACT-II. To do this, only the `files` file must be modified so that it points instead to the provided data. For this exercise find the `Compare_libraries` folder within `getting_started`. This should have five folders and one script:

```
ENDFB-7.1/      JEFF-3.2/      JENDL-4.0/      TENDL-17/
plot/          fisprun
```

Within the `plot/` folder, the `compare.plt` file contains a gnuplot script which can be run after all of the simulations are performed and `FNS_2000_5min_Inconel.dat` holds the experimental results from the FNS decay heat measurements from the 5 minute irradiation of an Inconel-600 sample. Each of the other folders contain all of the files required to perform the simulation with different nuclear data libraries. Before running the `fisprun` script, compare the `files` file within the `ENDFB-7.1` and `TENDL-17` folders. A simple diff check will return:

```
Compare_libraries/ > diff TENDL-17/files ENDFB-7.1/files
2c2
< ind_nuc ../../../../ENDFdata/TENDL2017data/tendl17_decay12_index
---
> ind_nuc ../../../../ENDFdata/ENDFB71data/endfb71_index
5c5
< xs_endf ../../../../ENDFdata/TENDL2017data/tal2017-n/gxs-709
---
> xs_endf ../../../../ENDFdata/ENDFB71data/endfb71-n/gxs-709
```

The only differences are in the `ind_nuc` and `xs_endf` pointers, which have been altered to run over a different set of nuclides and draw particle-induced reaction data from a different folder. Similar modifications will be made in other parts of the `files` file in other examples. Now either run all of the inputs in each folder or run `fisprun` to obtain the simulation results. You should find outputs such as:

```
Running FNS-5min Inconel-600 with TENDL-2017
collapse: cpu time = 39.9      secs.    2 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
condense: cpu time = 0.983    secs.    1 error/warning, for details see runlog
print_lib:cpu time = 0.430    secs.    No errors/warnings
inventory:cpu time = 1.30     secs.    5 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
Running FNS-5min Inconel-600 with ENDF/B-VII.1
collapse: cpu time = 4.24     secs.    11 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
condense: cpu time = 0.941    secs.    20 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
print_lib:cpu time = 0.758E-01 secs.    No errors/warnings
inventory:cpu time = 0.702    secs.    4 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
Running FNS-5min Inconel-600 with JENDL-4.0
```

```
collapse: cpu time = 5.02      secs.    7 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
condense: cpu time = 0.947     secs.    1 error/warning, for details see runlog
print_lib:cpu time = 0.775E-01 secs.    No errors/warnings
inventory:cpu time = 0.719     secs.    No errors/warnings
Running FNS-5min Inconel-600 with JEFF3.2
collapse: cpu time = 4.77      secs.    9 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
condense: cpu time = 0.944     secs.    1 error/warning, for details see runlog
print_lib:cpu time = 0.866E-01 secs.    No errors/warnings
inventory:cpu time = 0.718     secs.    3 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
```

Note that while the condense takes approximately the same time in each run, the collapse for TENDL takes about 10× the cpu time. This is due to the much larger nuclide index, as well as the full covariance data which is processed and collapsed by FISPACT-II. Each of the folders should now contain various .out files including inventory.out, as well as the graph data file inventory.gra. The data can be easily visualised using the provided plot script:

```
gnuplot compare.plt
```

which should generate an encapsulated postscript file compare.eps. This should match with Figure 5, which shows the decay heat curves with all simulations, the experimental results and all dominant nuclides at (x,y) positions which are their half-lives and end-of-irradiation heat contributions. In this simulation all libraries agree (within the TENDL uncertainty) on the reaction rates which produce ^{52}V and ^{56}Mn , but all libraries except TENDL miss the isomer production reactions and underestimate heat production around 300-3000 s. The original experimental data can be found in [21] and the validation report for FISPACT-II fusion decay heat simulations [18].

3.7.2 Fission decay heat experiments

Besides the incident-neutron nuclear data libraries, FISPACT-II is also distributed with multiple decay and neutron-induced fission yield libraries. All of these can be processed by FISPACT-II to perform time-evolving fission simulations.

One of the standards for fission response is the fission decay heat experiment. These have been performed numerous times with different nuclides, neutron spectra and with measurements ranging from sub-second to over a year. There are two example simulations provided in the getting_started folder. The fission_U235_2E4s one will be a 20,000 second thermal fission irradiation of ^{235}U which can be compared with the LANL experimental results of Yarnell & Bendt [22, 23]. A second set of simulations are also included in fission_Pu239_pulse which deals with fission pulse experiments on ^{239}Pu . Multiple simulations performed with different decay and fission yield libraries will be performed and compared with the Tobias statistical meta-analysis data [24] and the ORNL results of Dickens [25].

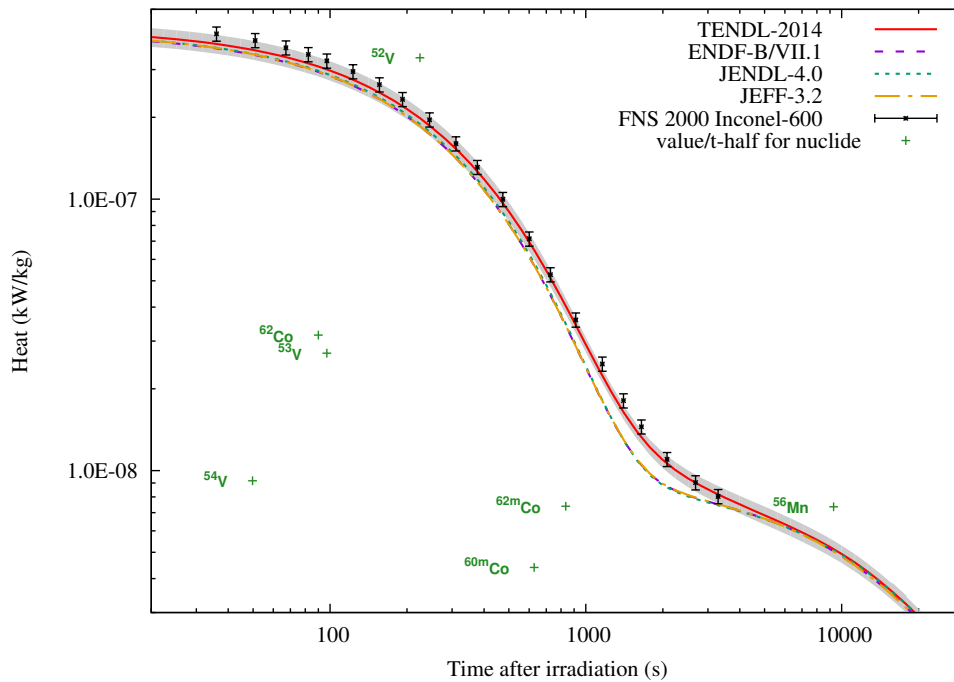


Figure 5: Comparison of the total heat simulations produced using different nuclear data libraries distributed with FISPACT-II.

Inclusion of fission yields in FISPACT-II simulations is not the default and a few keywords may be added in order to access the fission data distributed with FISPACT-II. The files files already used in previous examples have referenced the neutron-induced and spontaneous fission yield files, but those simulations did not draw upon them.

First let us consider the 2E4s irradiation of ^{235}U . Within the `fission_U235_2E4s` folder are the six now-familiar files:

```
collapse.i      files          fluxes          plot
condense.i     fisprun        inventory.i     print_lib.i
```

as well as a `plot/` folder and script `fisprun`. The `fluxes` file is quite different in this case since we will be simulating *only* thermal neutron fission in ^{235}U . It has one bin populated for 0.0253 eV neutrons and all entries zero. The `inventory.i` file contains a few new options:

```
<< -----add fission events to simulation----- >>
USEFISSION
FISYIELD 1 U235
FUEL 1
  U235 1.0E+24
FISCHOOSE 1 U235
```

```
DENSITY 19.0
```

The fission-specific keywords are required for this simulation, including the **USEFISSION** keyword which allows fission processes, **FISYIELD** which specifies which fission yield files should be read and **FISCHOOSE** which specifies which nuclides should be fissioned. The **FUEL** keyword allows material specification by nuclide rather than by natural element. Run FISPACT-II on the inputs sequentially or using the script, which should give the output:

```
collapse: cpu time = 4.15      secs.  11 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
condense: cpu time = 1.20      secs.  No errors/warnings
print_lib:cpu time = 0.567E-01 secs.  No errors/warnings
inventory:cpu time = 1.58      secs.  No errors/warnings
```

Now the `inventory.gra` file is populated with multiple responses including activity, heat and doses. Within the `plot/` folder are experimental results `YarnellU235t2E4.dat` and a plotting script which can be run using:

```
gnuplot U235_2E4s.plt
```

and which generates an encapsulated postscript `U235_2E4s.eps` which should match Figure 6. Note that several conversions are required to obtain the same units, MeV/fission/s, which includes a direct reference to the fission rate as calculated by FISPACT-II.

Now we are going to consider a similar type of experiment which is based on the theoretical reconstruction of decay heat from an individual fission event. While the units of the 2E4s irradiation were also MeV/fission/s, the pulse experiment does not allow decay *during* the irradiation. To simulate this we use a 1 ns pulse of $1E22$ neutrons $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$.

Exiting the previous simulation and entering the `fission_Pu239_pulse` folder, there are four folders and one script:

```
ENDFB-7.1/      JEFF-3.2/      JENDL-4.0/      fisprun      plot/
```

Each of the library-named folders contains the files for a ^{239}Pu fission pulse experiment with different decay and fission yield data pointed at within the `files` files. Running `diff` on the ENDF/B-VII.1 and JENDL-4.0 files:

```
fission_Pu239_pulse/ > diff ENDFB-7.1/files JENDL-4.0/files
2c2
< ind_nuc  ../../../../ENDFdata/ENDFB71data/endfb71_index
---
> ind_nuc  ../../../../ENDFdata/JENDL4data/jendl4_decay12_index
```

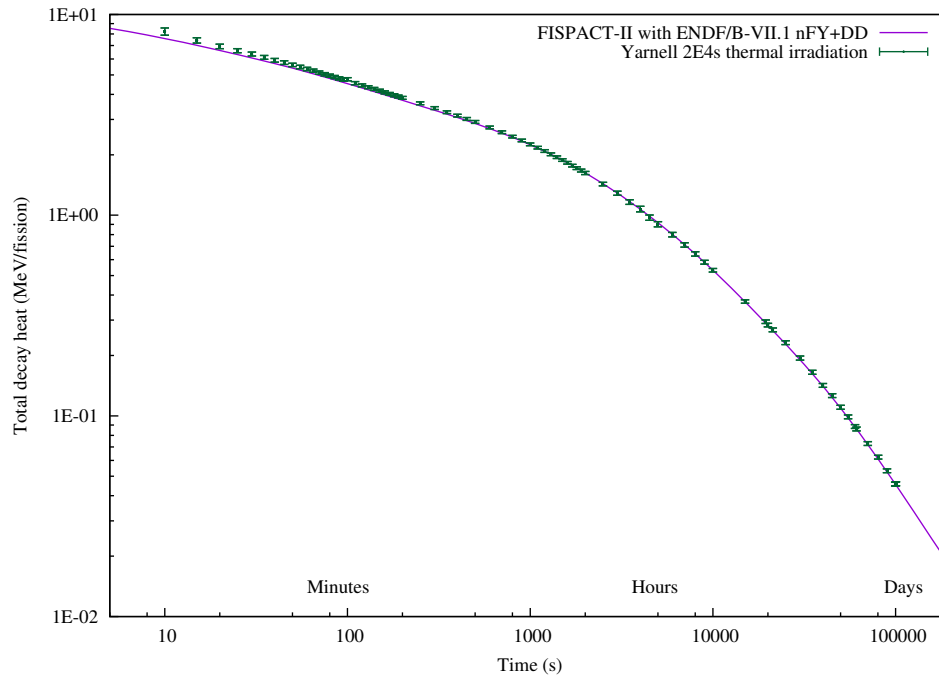


Figure 6: Simulation of $2.0E+04s$ thermal fission of ^{235}U using ENDF/B-VII.1 decay and nFY data, against experimental calorimetric results.

```

14c14
< dk_endf ../../ENDFdata/ENDFB71data/decay
---
> dk_endf ../../ENDFdata/JENDL4data/decay
17,18c17,18
< fy_endf ../../ENDFdata/ENDFB71data/endfb71-n/endfb71nfy
< sf_endf ../../ENDFdata/ENDFB71data/endfb71-n/endfb71sfy
---
> fy_endf ../../ENDFdata/JENDL4data/jendl4-n/jendl4nfy
> sf_endf ../../ENDFdata/JENDL4data/jendl4-n/jendl4sfy

```

we see that the indices, decay and fission yield files have been re-directed for the different libraries, but the neutron-induced reaction files are the same in each case, since the data will be normalised to fission rate.

The `inventory.i` files contain fission keywords similar to the 2E4s irradiation above, but to remove any competition from natural decay and capture events, the following lines are added:

```

<< -----remove capture and parent decay----- >>
OVER Pu239
ACROSS Pu240 0.0

```

```
OVER Pu239  
ALAM 1E30 5
```

The **OVER** keyword allows the user to overwrite values which are collapsed or condensed from the nuclear data. In many cases this may be due to transport calculation results being preferred, but here we may effectively ‘turn-off’ certain decays and reaction channels. The **ACROSS** keyword allows us to set the total cross section from ^{239}Pu to ^{240}Pu , while the **ALAM** is used to set the ^{239}Pu half-life to 1E30 years. Now run the `fisprun` script which should return:

```
Running Pu239 thermal fission pulse with ENDF/B-VII.1  
collapse: cpu time = 4.24 secs. 11 errors/warnings, for details see runlog  
condense: cpu time = 1.28 secs. No errors/warnings  
print_lib:cpu time = 0.551E-01 secs. No errors/warnings  
inventory:cpu time = 2.23 secs. No errors/warnings  
Running Pu239 thermal fission pulse with JENDL-4.0  
collapse: cpu time = 4.26 secs. 11 errors/warnings, for details see runlog  
condense: cpu time = 0.508 secs. 2629 errors/warnings, for details see runlog  
print_lib:cpu time = 0.496E-01 secs. No errors/warnings  
inventory:cpu time = 2.13 secs. No errors/warnings  
Running Pu239 thermal fission pulse with JEFF-3.2  
collapse: cpu time = 4.31 secs. 11 errors/warnings, for details see runlog  
condense: cpu time = 0.844 secs. 24 errors/warnings, for details see runlog  
print_lib:cpu time = 0.528E-01 secs. No errors/warnings  
inventory:cpu time = 2.35 secs. 36 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
```

After running all of the simulations, the results can be visualised with the plot script contained in `plots/` by running

```
gnuplot Pu239_pulse.plt
```

which will generate an encapsulated postscript `Pu239_pulse.eps` as shown in Figure 7. Partial gamma and beta decay heat values are also calculated by FISPACT-II and can be easily extracted with simple scripts. For example,

```
grep "TOTAL BETA HEAT" inventory.out | awk '{print $5}'  
grep "TOTAL GAMMA HEAT" inventory.out | awk '{print $5}'
```

will return all of the beta and gamma heating values (in kW) over each of the time-steps (including the initialising $t = 0$). As a simple exercise for the user, consider taking the beta heat values extracted in this way and plot them against the experimental beta heat values which are also provided in the `.dat` files. This should also require a minor modification to remove the kg correction in the plotting script provided.

FISPACT-II can generate numerous outputs for inventories and various observables which can be easily extracted with scripts and used for analysis. An extensive study

of fission decay heat with nuclear data comparison has been made in a FISPACT-II validation report [17].

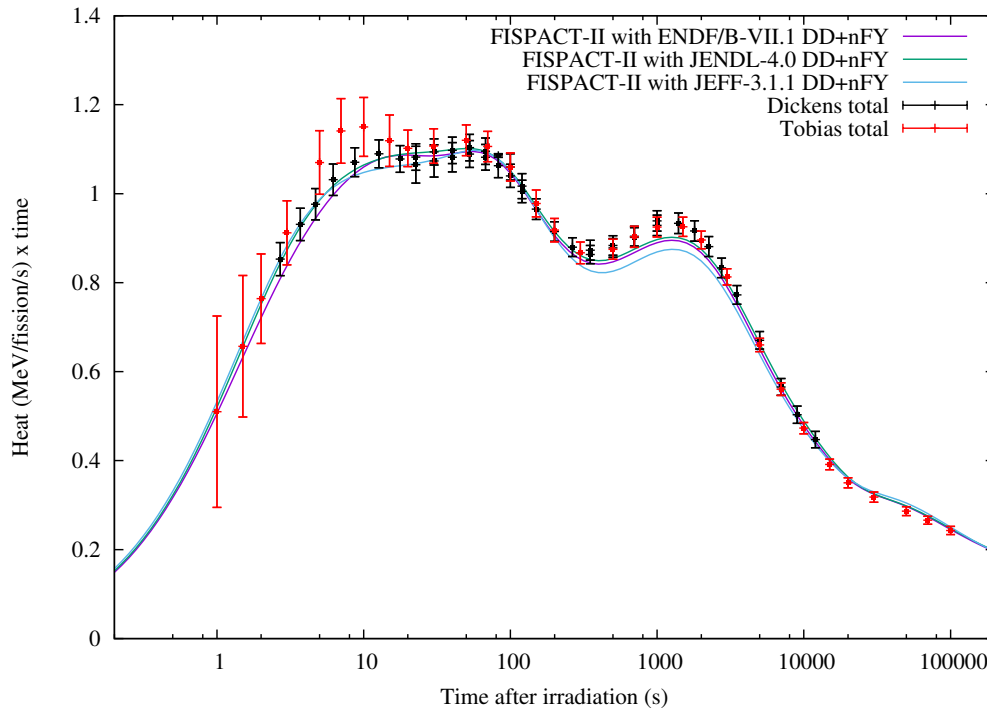


Figure 7: Simulation of thermal fission pulse on ^{239}Pu using variety of decay and nFY data, against experimental and statistical meta-analysis results.

3.7.3 Reactor power simulations

As an alternative to the use of **FLUX** to determine reaction rates, the user may employ the **POWER** keyword with a volumetric power and the kerma mt number(s) responsible for the heat. In most cases this should be the total kerma value $\text{mt}=301$. Note that the **POWER** keyword may only be used for those libraries containing the relevant kerma cross-section data.

A set of example cases have been put in the `reactor_power` folder of `getting_started`. The `fluxes` file contains an example PWR spectrum and the `files` file is similar to those from the fission pulse examples with the exception of the temperature-dependence of the cross sections, which is given by:

```
# Library cross section data
xs_endf ../../nuclear_data/TENDL2017data/ta12017-n/gxs-709-600
```


The temperature is given in the last three characters – in this case 600 K. Now open the 150Wcc_1.i input which contains several familiar lines, but with **FLUX** replaced by **POWER**:

```
POWER 150.0 1 301
ATOMS
<< -----irradiation phase----- >>
TIME 1 YEARS
ATOMS
<< -----cooling phase----- >>
```

POWER comes in this case with three arguments which are the volumetric power of 150 W cm^{-3} , the number of channels and total kerma mt. This input will simulate a one year irradiation at this power density, but without any reaction rate updates. In reality, reaction rates vary during operation and must be renormalised with some regularity. To update the reaction rates, we can add additional **POWER** keywords, for example in 150Wcc_2.i:

```
POWER 150.0 1 301
ATOMS
<< -----irradiation phase----- >>
TIME 0.5 YEARS
ATOMS
POWER 150.0 1 301
TIME 0.5 YEARS
ATOMS
<< -----cooling phase----- >>
```

This amounts to a renormalisation every 6 months. There are a total of eight simulation inputs labelled as 150Wcc_X.i, where X is the number of updates per year. Run FISPACT-II with the fisprun script and you should see the messages:

```
Running collapse/condense with TENDL-2017 709-xs, ENDF/B-VII.1 nFY+DD
collapse: cpu time = 40.5 secs. 2 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
condense: cpu time = 1.59 secs. 76 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
Running 150 W/cm3 with varying POWER updates
150Wcc_1: cpu time = 2.03 secs. No errors/warnings
150Wcc_2: cpu time = 2.23 secs. No errors/warnings
150Wcc_4: cpu time = 2.50 secs. No errors/warnings
150Wcc_12:cpu time = 3.83 secs. No errors/warnings
150Wcc_26:cpu time = 5.82 secs. No errors/warnings
150Wcc_52:cpu time = 10.0 secs. No errors/warnings
150Wcc_183cpu time = 28.0 secs. No errors/warnings
150Wcc_365cpu time = 53.1 secs. No errors/warnings
Running various W/cm3 simulations with 1 week POWER updates
50Wcc_52: cpu time = 9.63 secs. No errors/warnings
60Wcc_52: cpu time = 9.32 secs. No errors/warnings
```

```

80Wcc_52:cpu time = 9.80      secs.  No errors/warnings
100Wcc_52:cpu time = 9.91      secs.  No errors/warnings
125Wcc_52:cpu time = 9.89      secs.  No errors/warnings
150Wcc_52:cpu time = 9.95      secs.  No errors/warnings
200Wcc_52:cpu time = 10.2      secs.  No errors/warnings
250Wcc_52:cpu time = 10.3      secs.  No errors/warnings
300Wcc_52:cpu time = 10.0      secs.  No errors/warnings

```

Note that this script also performs the simulations for the next study in this example. Each of the 150 W cm^{-3} simulations will produce a .gra file which can be plotted with the vary_re-simulate.plt gnuplot script in the plot/ folder. This should generate the plot shown in Figure 8. The y-axis is the volumetric decay power times the cooling time, which provides more visually discernible patterns. The first ‘bump’ is due to several nuclides with ^{95}Zr the most dominant. The second peak is due to ^{137}Cs and ^{90}Sr . The simulation without any reaction rate updates can under-estimate by nearly 20% and convergence is adequately reached with approximately 2 week intervals between renormalisations.

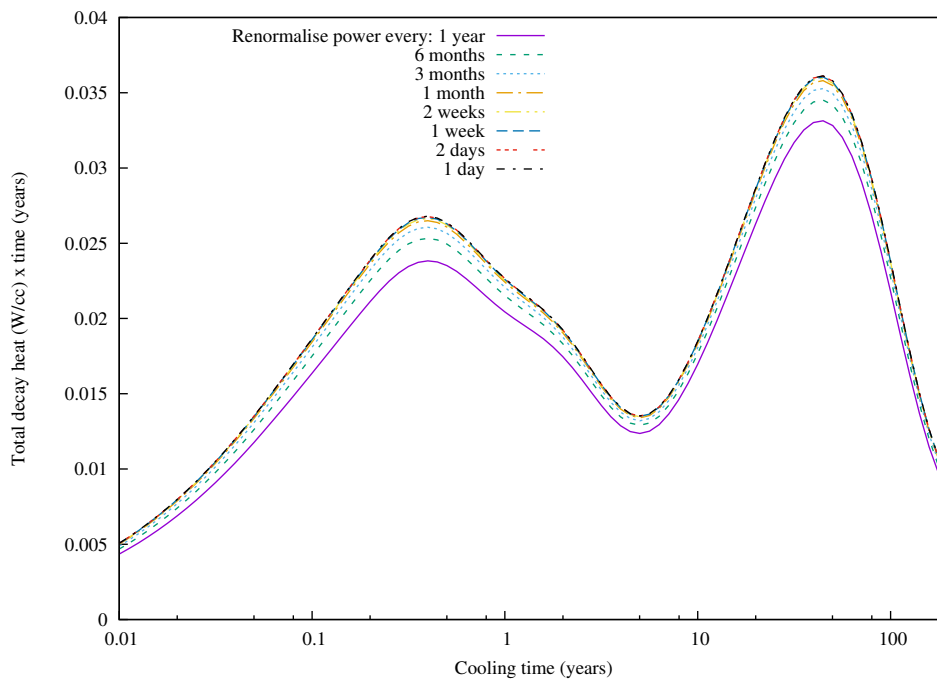


Figure 8: Comparison of the decay heat following a 1 year irradiation of LWR fuel with various periods for reaction rate re-calculation. The y-axis is given in W/cm^3 times the cooling time in years.

Now lets consider the other inputs which were run with fisprun. These include several different volumetric power simulations with the same 1 week between power renormalisations, making this error negligible. The different power densities equate to different burn-up values for the same fuel. To compare the results for each simulation with

different fission rates and power outputs, we should examine the % of full power after shut-down, which we multiply by time to obtain the data of Figure 9. The plotting script to generate this figure is provided in the `plot/` folder. In cooling times less than 100 years the % of full power heat is approximately equal between simulations, as we can see in the $^{137}\text{Cs}/^{90}\text{Sr}$ peak. However, the plutonium composition is expected to vary depending on the burn-up of the fuel. To demonstrate the difference, partial heat curves for the dominant plutonium isotopes are shown for the two extreme values of 50 and 300 W cm^{-3} . The lower burn-up results in a higher relative ^{239}Pu concentration and lower ^{240}Pu , which gives a lower decay heat between 100-2000 years and a higher heat after 10,000 years.

While these are not physically complete simulations with full irradiation history, density, initial inventory, *etc* inputs, this simple example demonstrates the code capabilities and with complete input data a user may easily probe inventory and observable quantities.

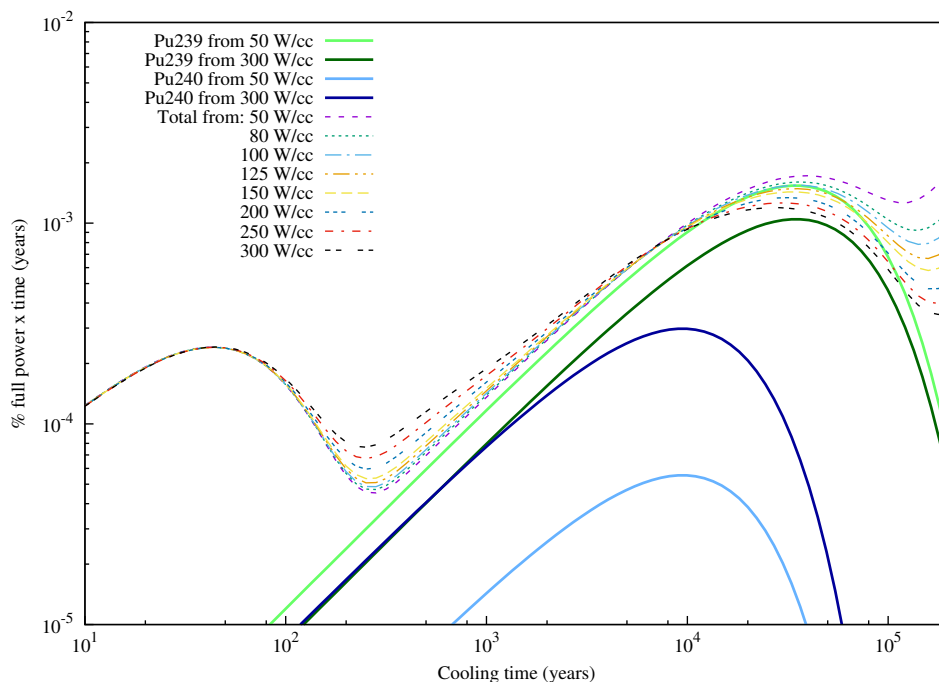


Figure 9: Comparison of the % of full power decay heat following a 1 year irradiation of LWR fuel with various volumetric power densities. The partial heat contributions from ^{239}Pu and ^{240}Pu are shown for the 50 and 300 W cm^{-3} simulations where they generally diverge.

3.7.4 Solver convergence

FISPACT-II uses the iterative stiff-ode solver LSODES. Default tolerances for the solver give good accuracy for the numbers of atoms of the major constituents of the inventory, but may give poor results for minor constituents. This may lead to inaccurate predictions of radiological quantities when minor constituents are dominant in radiological activity.

It is good practice to repeat some calculations using tighter tolerances (using the **TOLERANCE** keyword described in Section 4.85) to establish that the inventory is calculated accurately enough for relevant radiological outputs to have converged. If the ? flag is set in the inventory table output (c.f., Section 5.1.2 on page 120) for nuclides that appear in the dominant nuclide table (c.f., Section 5.1.7), then radiological predictions should be treated with caution until convergence studies have been performed.

An example which illustrates this is provided in the `tolerance_test/` folder within `getting_started/`. To underline the importance of solver tolerances, we simulate the nickel foil irradiation performed at the Frascati Neutron Generator facility which has been re-analysed using FISPACT-II [16]. A high-purity foil was irradiated for 10 minutes with a D-T generator, producing approximately $6.0\text{E}+08 \text{ n cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$. The folder contains the standard `collapse.i`, `condense.i`, `files`, `fluxes` and `print_lib.i` files, as well as several copies of the same inventory simulation which are labelled `ni_X_Y.i`, where X and Y refer to the absolute and relative tolerance settings employed by the LSODES solver. To manually edit the tolerance settings in the simulation, the **TOLERANCE** keyword is added:

```
<< -----tolerance settings----- >>
TOLERANCE 0 1.0E+00 1.0E-07
```

where these values appear in the `ni_1E0_1E-7.i` simulation. The `fisprun` script will run all of the inputs in order and return:

```
Simulation of FNG nickel foil irradiation using TENDL-2017
collapse: cpu time = 42.9      secs.    2 errors/warnings, for details see runlog
condense: cpu time = 8.79     secs.    1 error/warning, for details see runlog
print_lib:cpu time = 1.25     secs.    No errors/warnings
Running over TOLERANCE settings:
  atol=1E+4  rtol=1E-3
ni_1E4_1E-cpu time = 1.74     secs.    No errors/warnings
  atol=1E+3  rtol=1E-4
ni_1E3_1E-cpu time = 1.62     secs.    No errors/warnings
  atol=1E+2  rtol=1E-5
ni_1E2_1E-cpu time = 1.57     secs.    No errors/warnings
  atol=1E+1  rtol=1E-6
```

```

ni_1E1_1E-cpu time = 1.87      secs.  No errors/warnings
  atol=1E+0  rtol=1E-7
ni_1E0_1E-cpu time = 1.92      secs.  No errors/warnings
  atol=1E-1  rtol=1E-8
ni_1E-1_1Ecpu time = 1.70      secs.  No errors/warnings
  atol=1E-2  rtol=1E-9
ni_1E-2_1Ecpu time = 1.67      secs.  No errors/warnings
  
```

Each of the ni_X.Y.gra outputs contains a summary of the total decay heat, which can be visualised using the plotting script in the plot/ folder:

```
gnuplot tolerance_test.plt
```

generating tolerance_test.eps which is shown in Figure 10. Note that the collapse and condense is the same for all simulations – *ie* all cross sections and decay constants are identical. The only difference is in the numerical solver settings. This figure shows all of the decay heat curves labelled by their tolerance settings, as well as the ratio between the tightest and default¹ tolerance results. The experimental results from FNG are also presented. Note that all simulations and the experimental values lie within the uncertainty due to the nuclear reaction data around the fully-converged result.

The solver fluctuation around 10 seconds after irradiation can be traced directly to differences in nuclide inventories which are provided in the FISPACT-II output files. Within the ni_1E-2_1E-9.out file search for the output from the first cooling time at ELAPSED TIME IS 10.000 s. Underneath the DOMINANT NUCLIDES heading are the dominant nuclides for various responses including activity, total heat *etc.* In this output we find:

NUCLIDE	ACTIVITY (Bq)	PERCENT ACTIVITY	NUCLIDE	HEAT (kW)	PERCENT HEAT	NUCLIDE
Total	4.0604E+03		Total	2.4877E-13		Total
1 Co 60m	3.1721E+03	78.12E+00	Co 62	1.4080E-13	56.60E+00	Co 62
2 Co 58m	4.4542E+02	10.97E+00	Co 62m	5.6563E-14	22.74E+00	Co 62m
3 Co 62	2.7123E+02	66.80E-01	Co 60m	3.1752E-14	12.76E+00	Ni 57
4 Co 62m	9.5179E+01	23.44E-01	Ni 57	9.6207E-15	38.67E-01	Fe 61
5 Co 61	2.8820E+01	70.98E-02	Fe 61	5.0350E-15	20.24E-01	Co 60m

and when searching for the same data within ni_1E4_1E-3.out we find:

NUCLIDE	ACTIVITY (Bq)	PERCENT ACTIVITY	NUCLIDE	HEAT (kW)	PERCENT HEAT	NUCLIDE
Total	4.1331E+03		Total	2.7119E-13		Total
1 Co 60m	3.2022E+03	77.48E+00	Co 62	1.6249E-13	59.92E+00	Co 62
2 Co 58m	4.4535E+02	10.78E+00	Co 62m	5.6818E-14	20.95E+00	Co 62m

¹The current default tolerance settings are *atol*=1E+4 and *rtol*=2E-3, similar to the first example.

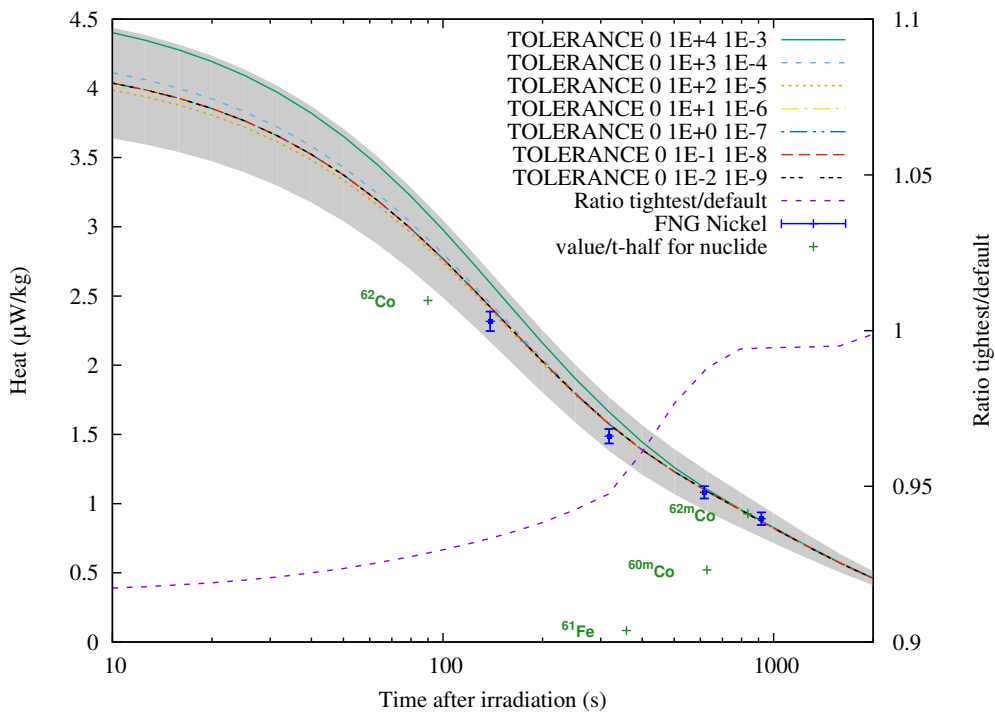


Figure 10: Simulation of nickel foil irradiation in D-T spectrum using a variety of solver tolerance settings to demonstrate convergence. The ratio of heat values between the largest and smallest tolerance simulations is presented alongside the experimental results from FNG and the dominant nuclides at x,y positions given by EOI heat and half-life. The gray band represents the nuclear data uncertainty.

```
3 Co 62 3.1302E+02 75.74E-01 Co 60m 3.2053E-14 11.82E+00 Ni 57
4 Co 62m 9.5609E+01 23.13E-01 Ni 57 9.6203E-15 35.48E-01 Fe 61
5 Co 61 2.8776E+01 69.62E-02 Fe 61 5.1868E-15 19.13E-01 Co 60m
```

While there are some small differences in other nuclides, the ^{62}Co heat value is responsible for the majority of the discrepancy. The output for each time begins with a complete nuclide inventory, which shows the number of atoms for each nuclide. In this simulation with approximately $6.0\text{E}+20$ atoms, the number of ^{62}Co atoms 10 s after irradiation in the `ni_1E4_1E-3` and `ni_1E-2_1E-9` simulations are $4.06\text{E}+4$ and $3.52\text{E}+4$, respectively. ^{62}Co gives off an average of 3.24 MeV per decay with a half-life of 9 seconds, making these relatively few atoms particularly potent around this cooling time.

In order to avoid solver convergence issues of this kind, is it *strongly* recommended that users verify convergence or use stricter tolerance settings. For this simulation the cpu cost is not detectable but in more complex simulations with many nuclides such strict tolerances may give some slow-down. However, those are precisely the simulations where relatively small inventory contributions are likely to influence results. While it is uncommon to find such challenging simulations, it is generally easier to guarantee convergence with tight tolerances than to vigilantly verify convergence through tolerance studies.

3.7.5 High-energy calculations

As of version 4.0, the **USESPALLATION** keyword may be used to splice ‘high’-energy residual product libraries, typically generated using an intra-nuclear cascade model, with a lower-energy evaluation, such as the TENDL data.

The `proton_HEIR` example provides a simple simulation for a 1 GeV irradiation of Pb, using the HEIR-0.1 library and TENDL-2017. Looking within the example directory, we find:

```
collapse_pb.i  files          fluxes          inventory.i
```

as well as the `fisprun` scripts and an empty directory `xs_extra`. Within the `files` file, there are two new entries:

```
# Library of spallation cross-section data
sp_endf ../nuclear_data/HEIR01data/heir01-p/gxs-162

# Additional cross section data
xs_extra ./xs_extra
```

which point to the `sp_endf` 'spallation' ENDF files and the `xs_extra` directory where spliced files will be written to and saved. In the `collapse_pb.i` file, the standard **GETXS** is used, but accompanied by the **USESPALLATION** keyword, with arguments of *100.0* MeV for the switch between TENDL-2017 and HEIR-0.1, and an index (*4*), followed by a list of the four stable lead isotopes.

When the user executes

```
$FISPACT collapse_pb
```

the `xs_extra` directory should now be populated with four groupwise cross section files

```
Pb204g.asc      Pb206g.asc      Pb207g.asc      Pb208g.asc
```

echo of which contains a mixture of both TENDL-2017 and HEIR-0.1 data. The MF=1 section of the files should contain this information as:

```

82-Pb-208  IAEA      EVAL-OCT17 A.J. Koning      8237 1451  5
TENDL-2017      DIST-      REV1-      8237 1451  6
----TENDL-2017      Material 8237      REVISION 1      8237 1451  7
-----Incident proton  data      8237 1451  8
-----ENDF-6 Format      8237 1451  9
      8237 1451 10
TENDL-2017 (TALYS Evaluated Nuclear Data Library)      8237 1451 11
      8237 1451 12
Pb208 proton general purpose library      8237 1451 13
      8237 1451 14
Author: A.J. Koning, IAEA      8237 1451 15
      8237 1451 16
*****8237 1451  1
**** Above file merged with MF10 MT5 data from the below file ****8237 1451  2
**** Cutoff energy set by user at 1.00000E+08 eV      ****8237 1451  3
*****8237 1451  4
82-Pb-208  UKAEA      EVAL-DEC17 M.J.FLEMING      8237 1451  5
      DIST-DEC17      8237 1451  6
----UK-HEIR-0.1      MATERIAL 8237      8237 1451  7
-----PROTON-INDUCED RESIDUAL PRODUCT YIELDS      8237 1451  8
-----ENDF-6 FORMAT      8237 1451  9

```

As the file indicates, the MF=10 residual products data has been spliced at 100 MeV, taking HEIR-0.1 data above and TENDL-2017 below. Next, run the `inventory.i` simulation and look at the output `inventory.out` data after the first irradiation step. The original material was purely lead isotopes, and now every element from hydrogen to lead is populated due to the INC-based nuclear data files. As an exercise, the user may run another simulation *without* the **USESPALLATION** keyword and compare the residual product list.

3.8 Conversion for other group structures

Many users are familiar with legacy versions of FISPACT-2007 and would like to take advantage of the improved nuclear data, solver and functionalities of FISPACT-II. While this manual and the test cases provide many templates for simulations, updating old input data can also be performed with a few simple steps.

Legacy EAF data was provided in several multi-group formats including micro-flux weightings which varied depending on the group and application. Besides the benefits of using ENDF-format data and the TENDL data in particular, the use of coarse groups and application-specific group weightings is a serious handicap for many simulations. Still, many users employ group structures such as the Vitamin-J 175 group due to memory limitations and/or difficulty converging complex Monte-Carlo transport runs. To modify such a flux spectrum, FISPACT-II has a **GRPCONVERT** keyword which can be used to re-bin an arbitrary flux spectrum. The `flux_convert/` folder within `getting_started` has an example using a spectrum from a hafnium foil irradiation at FNG. For this conversion only these three files are required: `arb_flux` provides a list of energy boundaries for the original group structure, `convert.i` contains the simple input

```
<< convert flux to 709 group structure>>
GRPCONVERT 175 709
FISPACT
* SPECTRAL MODIFICATION
END
* END
```

and the `files.convert` file only must contain `ind_nuc`, a pointer to the `arb_flux` and an output `fluxes` file. This `fluxes` file can then be used in simulations which collapse with the provided TENDL libraries. Note that the 175 group structure contains one group from 1.0E-5 to 1.0E-1 eV. Converting this massive bin will result in an extrapolated, flat spectrum to 1.0E-5 eV in the 709 group which will be collapsed with a $1/v$ cross section and yield unphysical results. In general, groups with such coarse structure cannot be reasonably used to model multiple regions where the specific flux weighting used to process the data will not be valid – and a flat weighted coarse structure will result in useless simulations.

While it is not possible to solve this problem completely, since whatever generated the spectrum should have been employed to deliver more detailed information, it is possible to avoid ruinous errors by ‘clipping’ the spectrum at a physically justifiable energy. For thermal Maxwellian distributions at 293 K, the vast majority of the collapsed cross section comes from energies above 1.0E-2 eV and setting the lowest energy in the arbitrary group structure to this value prevents gross overestimation. It is still a rough approximation for non-threshold reactions, but nothing more than an approximate

value is possible with a multigroup as poorly defined for the thermal region as the Vitamin-J 175.

The example can be run with the command

```
fispact convert files.convert
```

where the specific files file has been specified. The equal-lethargy spectra before and after conversion are shown in Figure 11. Note that the clipped lower energy boundary of 1.0E-2 eV has been used. For every one of the finer energy groups which is completely contained within one of the coarser groups the data is precisely the same, but in regions which overlap the coarse group boundaries an interpolation scheme is used.

It must be *strongly* stressed that group conversion cannot add new physical information and whatever limitations of the broad spectrum will remain. This tool may be justifiably used for legacy results which cannot be improved, but whenever possible a multi-group with an appropriate bin density should be employed in the calculation which yields the spectrum.

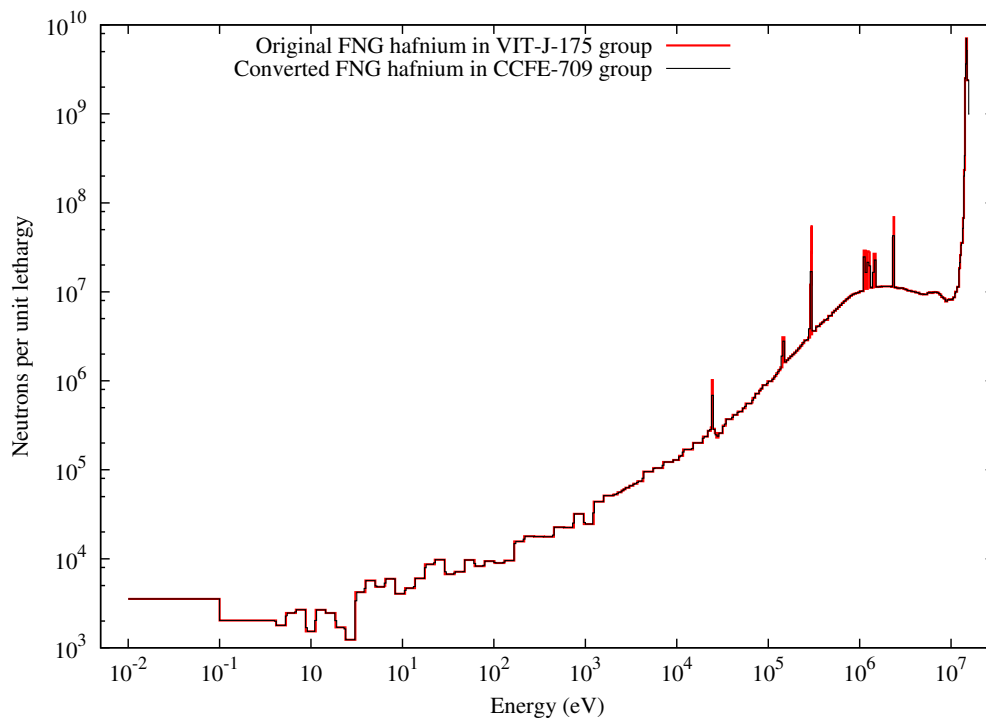


Figure 11: The original 175 group spectrum from a FNG hafnium irradiation and the **GRPCONVERT** output in 709 group.

While some keywords have been replaced from FISPACT-2007 and updated from more recent versions of FISPACT-II, warning and/or error messages should provide clear

guidance on how to update input files. Note that ENDF-format data has become the default and `files` files will require more modification. In particular, these unit names have been modified, added or made obsolete:

- `xs_endf` replaces legacy `crossec`
- `dk_endf` replaces legacy `decay`
- `fy_endf` replaces legacy `fissyld`
- `sf_endf` adds new spontaneous fission yield reading
- `prob_tab` adds new probability table self-shielding
- `crossunc` obsolete with full covariance treatment in TENDL
- `asscfy` obsolete with actual fission yields provided by GEFY-6.1

These differences represent significant improvement in the code with complete covariance uncertainty, self-shielding, full fission yields and all of the capabilities of the ENDF-6 format.

Users familiar with previous versions are encouraged to take the `getting_started` examples as templates rather than modify legacy input files, although with these minimal updates to `files` and a few keywords legacy simulations can be reproduced and improved.

4 Control File Keywords

A run of FISPACT-II is controlled by a sequence of commands given in a user-supplied input file as illustrated in the previous section. Each command is introduced by a keyword which may be followed by integer, real or character-string parameters. Some commands require further data to be supplied in records of the file following the keyword, while other commands are followed by subordinate keywords which cannot be used independently of their parent keyword.

The keywords belong to one of two classes distinguished by their effect on the calculation. Some keywords provide settings such as logical flags and numerical values, while others cause FISPACT-II to perform actions. Depending on the context, the effect of an action keyword may be immediate, or its action may be added to a queue and its execution deferred.

The input file is divided into three sections:

1. library data preparation—reading and processing the physical and regulatory data supplied in a library of files;

2. initial conditions—specifying physical, numerical and housekeeping conditions for a calculation;
3. inventory calculation phase—specifying a sequence of timesteps including one or more irradiation steps optionally separated by cooling steps, with further cooling steps optionally following the final irradiation step.

The first section is terminated by the **FISPACT** keyword and this triggers the execution of the library data preparation actions which have been queued prior to the occurrence of the **FISPACT** keyword. The actions are queued in the correct order to ensure that any dependences between them are respected.

The initial conditions section of the input file is terminated by the first occurrence of the **TIME** keyword, or exceptionally the **END** keyword for a run that does not involve any inventory calculations. FISPACT-II requires that all initial condition settings are declared before the inventory calculation is started and so there are more restrictions on the placing of keywords in the input file than in FISPACT-2007. Consequently, some older files may need minor editing before they can be reused.

The final inventory calculation section of the input file is terminated by the **END** keyword; any further content in the file is ignored. FISPACT-II attaches more significance to the **ZERO** keyword than did FISPACT-2007. **ZERO** may now occur at most once and it triggers the calculation of pathways, routes, sensitivities and uncertainties. As result, the execution of FISPACT-II may sometimes appear to stall at this point (when using the **MONITOR** keyword), but this entirely normal since the uncertainty analysis is computationally demanding.

Some keywords are used in more than one of these sections, and in some cases their actions differ depending on the section. Each keyword description begins with an indicating of the sections that it may be used in.

The relevant keywords for each section of the control input file are presented in alphabetical order in the following section. The table of contents gives a complete list of the keywords together with the pages on which they are defined.

The notation used in the sub-subsection headings defining the keywords is as follows:

1. keywords are displayed in bold font;
2. arguments are in lower case italics;
3. default values of arguments assumed by the program if the keyword is not used are displayed in curly brackets {...};
4. arguments that are present only for certain values of earlier arguments are displayed in angle brackets <...>.

4.1 ALLDISPEN *energy*

Library phase

This keyword sets the displacement energies for all elements to the specified *energy* in eV. These are then used in the calculation of total displacement rates, which are generated in the summary outputs. Note that the **ALLDISPEN** keyword is used to write all displacement energies for all elements and **ATDISPEN** overwrites any values irrespective of its order in the input file.

4.2 ATDISPEN *num <element_name(i), energy(i), i=1,num >*

Library phase

This keyword sets the displacement energies for the specified elements as provided in the user input, in units of eV. These are then used in the calculation of total displacement rates, which are generated in the summary outputs. Note that the **ALLDISPEN** keyword is used to write all displacement energies for all elements and **ATDISPEN** overwrites any values irrespective of its order in the input file.

For example, to set the default displacement energy at 30 eV and set specific values for carbon, magnesium and beryllium, one would use:

```
GETXS 1 709
GETDECAY 1
ALLDISPEN 30
ATDISPEN 3
  C 34.0
  Mg 24.5
  Be 35.0
FISPACT
* Title of the simulation
...
```

4.3 ATOMS

Initial phase

When it is used in the initial conditions section of the input file, this keyword causes the initial inventory to be printed to the output file.

Inventory phase

This keyword starts the solution of the inventory equations over the time interval specified and causes the results (isotopic, elemental, spectral) to be output. After the **ZERO** keyword, it also causes pathways and uncertainty results to be output. It is the standard method of producing output; other options are **SPECTRUM** and **RESULT**. The time step is set to zero after the completion of the output, and so **must** be reset in subsequent steps using the **TIME** keyword.

4.4 ATWO

Initial phase

This keyword causes data on the legal limits of activity for transport of radioactive material to be read, the calculations to include these data to be performed and the results for individual nuclides and summed values to be output for all timesteps.

4.5 BREMSSTRAHLUNG *iarg* *nuclb(j) j=1, iarg*

Initial phase

This keyword allows the input of the number, *iarg* of nuclides and the identifiers, *nuclb(j)* for each of the nuclides. The identifier should be specified using the format 'Te129m'. When the output is generated, this keyword causes the bremsstrahlung dose rate of each specified nuclide to be printed at the end of each time interval.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
BREM 4  
CL36 AR39 AR42 K42
```

In this case the bremsstrahlung contributions of ^{36}Cl , ^{39}Ar , ^{42}Ar and ^{42}K are calculated and output at the end of each time interval.

4.6 CLEAR

Initial phase

This keyword causes information on the clearance data of radionuclides to be input, the calculations to include these data to be performed and the results for individual nuclides and summed clearance indices to be output at all timesteps.

4.7 CLOBBER

Library phase

In order to prevent accidental loss of data, the default action of FISPACT-II is to terminate with a fatal error if output files of the same names as specified in the current run already exist in the present working directory. This keyword allows existing output files to be overwritten without any error messages from the program.

4.8 CNVTYPE {0}

Library phase

This keyword specifies the method of incident-particle spectrum conversion using the **GRPCONVERT** keyword. The default 0 value uses an equal-lethargy per bin approximation to convert flux values over bin boundaries while using 1 causes the conversion to use an equal-energy approximation.

4.9 COVARIANCE

Library phase

If this keyword is present, a collapse run will compute collapsed covariances between different reactions if covariance data are available in the reaction data files. Tables of the collapsed covariances and correlations may be printed using the *print* = 4 option with the **PRINTLIB** keyword.

4.10 CULTAB

Initial phase

This keyword inserts additional lines at the beginning and end of the `tab` files, so that the files can be processed more easily by other computer programs. The data written are unchanged by the use of this keyword, which is retained for consistency with earlier FISPACT versions.

4.11 CUMFYLD

Library phase

By default, FISPACT-II uses the `mt=454` independent yield fission data. Including this keyword in a condense run causes the `mt=459` cumulative fission yield data to be used instead.

4.12 DENSITY *density*

Initial phase

This keyword enables the input of the density of the material undergoing irradiation. The parameter *density* should be given in units of g cm^{-3} . If this keyword is used, then the total activity will also be output in units of Ci cm^{-3} in addition to the standard output in Bq kg^{-1} . If **FUEL** is used to specify the input material for a run in which an inventory is calculated then the density **must** be specified.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
DENSITY 8.96
```

The density of the material specified by **MASS** or **FUEL** is 8.96 g cm^{-3} .

4.13 DEPLETION *ndepl <sym(i), i = 1,ndepl>*

Initial phase

This keyword causes the code to write the depletion and depletion error for each of the specified nuclides *sym(i)* at the end of each summary output. The outputs will include three sets of data:

- The specific depletion rates and uncertainties at the initial time-point of the output summary
- The integrated depletion with uncertainty bands for the summarised step
- The cumulative depletion with uncertainty bands for the full, cumulative irradiation so far simulated at the point of the summary output

As an example output for these values would be:

```
U 235 : depletion rate = 1.19660E+13 atoms/sec, specific rate = 1.27092E-08/sec +- 3.608%...
step depletion = 2.80004E+18 upper= 2.81014E+18 lower= 2.78993E+18 atoms
cumulative depletion = 2.80004E+18 upper= 2.81014E+18 lower= 2.78993E+18 atoms
```

The keyword can be added for both nuclides in the initial inventory and nuclides without a starting concentration - e.g. plutonium in a fresh fission reactor fuel. Note that the pathways-based **UNCERTAINTY** methods will determine the total production uncertainty for some nuclide while this uncertainty adds a functionality for the depletion of an initial or built-up nuclide.

4.14 DOSE *ndose* {1} <*dist*> {0}

Initial phase

Dose rates are calculated for a semi-infinite slab of the material. This is the default if the keyword is not used or if *ndose* = 1, but if *ndose* = 2 then the calculations are done for a point source of 1 g of material at a distance of *dist* metres. *dist* is not used for the semi-infinite slab as the contact dose rate is always assumed. The minimum distance is 0.3 m; if a smaller value is specified then *dist* is set to 0.3 m and a message to this effect is printed.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
DOSE 2 1.0
```

In this case the dose due to a point source (1 g) of the irradiated material at a distance of 1 m is calculated.

The **DOSE** keyword **must not** appear more than once in an input file.

4.15 END

** Title*

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword terminates the input of data for a particular run. It is the final keyword that is read from the input file and the remainder of the file is ignored. The text used in *Title* is arbitrary and must be preceded by the ***.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
END
*END of Fe run
```

4.16 ENDPULSE

Inventory phase

This keyword terminates a “loop” construct that was started by **PULSE**. The actions for all keywords between **PULSE** and **ENDPULSE** are repeated *npulse* times, where *npulse* is the parameter following **PULSE**.

4.17 ERROR *nerror*

parent(i) daughter(i) ermat(i) i=1, nerror

Initial phase

This keyword inputs the number *nerror* of reactions and the identifiers of the parent and daughter of each reaction and (optionally) the fractional error of the reaction cross-section. In versions of FISPACT prior to 3.0, the user had to input a value of the fractional error, but this is now available from the EAF or ENDF uncertainty files.

If data from the uncertainty file are to be used then *ermat* **must** be set to -1 . If the keyword is absent, then all *ermat* values default to -1 .

Note that if no uncertainty data exist in the library then the fractional error **must** be input; using -1 will cause an error message to be printed.

This keyword should only be used following the keyword **SENSITIVITY** to give the error in the number of atoms of a nuclide due to the specified reactions; for routine calculations the uncertainty calculations are automatically performed by a simplified method. Parent-daughter pairs listed must also appear in the **SENSITIVITY** list.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
ERROR 2
Li7 Li8 -1.0
Be9 He6 -1.0
```

Line 2 specifies that the reaction ${}^7\text{Li}(n,\gamma){}^8\text{Li}$ is to be considered. Line 3 specifies that the reaction ${}^9\text{Be}(n,\alpha){}^6\text{He}$ is to be considered. The uncertainty for both reactions is obtained from the uncertainty file.

4.18 FISCHOOSE *ncho fischo(i) i = 1, ncho*

Initial phase

FISCHOOSE affects the choice of actinides included in the pathways analysis, *not* the actinides included in the activation calculation. **USEFISSION** and **FISYIELD** are the keywords to use to alter the treatment of actinides in the activation calculation.

When actinides are included as trace elements in a material then dominant nuclides that can be formed as a result of the fission of an actinide will be considered in the calculation of pathway information. Although uranium and thorium may have been the only actinides input, neutron-induced reactions and decay will create many other fissionable actinides and the user may wish to specify which of these actinides are considered as possible parents when calculating the pathways. By default all actinides are considered, but by setting *ncho* and specifying the identifiers of the actinides the user can limit the nuclides to be included.

In most cases minor actinides are unlikely to have significant impact on the total radiological quantities and so are unlikely to be part of the important pathways. Also this keyword only affects the calculation of pathways, all actinides are considered during the calculation of inventories (unless the use of other keywords indicates otherwise).

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
FISCHOOSE 4 U238 Pu239 Pu240 Pu242
```

In this case any pathways containing a fission reaction can have only one of the four actinides ${}^{238}\text{U}$, ${}^{239}\text{Pu}$, ${}^{240}\text{Pu}$ and ${}^{242}\text{Pu}$ as parent.

4.19 FISPACT

** Title*

Library phase

This keyword reads a 72 character title (beginning with an ‘*’) containing information about the particular run. This title is also used to label the graphs, but for the graph title only the first 40 characters are used.

Note that the keyword is the divider that separates the library input from the initial conditions and irradiation sequence details. It is the action keyword that triggers the execution of the queued actions from the library data preparation section of the input file.

4.20 FISYIELD *nyld* <*symb*(*i*) *i*=1,|*nyld*|>

Initial phase

When actinides are included in the list of input elements and **USEFISSION** is specified, then by default only U235, U238 and Pu239 will produce fission products when they undergo fission. If *nyld* = 0 then no fission products are produced from any of the actinides. If *nyld* is a positive integer then only the actinides that are specified in the list of identifiers *symb* (e.g. ‘Am242m’) produce fission products. If *nyld* is a negative integer then all actinides except those that are specified in the list of identifiers *symb* (e.g. ‘Am242m’) produce fission products.

This facility is included so that information on the irradiated actinides alone can be obtained. Also when investigating the properties of various actinides it may be useful to be able to restrict which of these produce fission products.

Note that fissionable isotopes that have no fission yield data in the selected library do *not* undergo fission.

Examples of the use of this keyword are

```
FISYIELD 0
```

None of the actinides will produce any fission products when fissioned.

```
FISYIELD 2 U235 Pu239
```

Only ^{235}U and ^{239}Pu will produce any fission products when they undergo fission.

```
FISYIELD -2 U238 Am241
```

All actinides except ^{238}U and ^{241}Am will produce fission products when they undergo fission.

4.21 FLUX *flux2*

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword enables the total energy-integrated projectile flux (in $\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$) to be specified for a particular time interval.

Note if several consecutive time intervals require the same flux value then it need be entered only once for these intervals.

Setting the total flux to zero gives a decay time-step.

The flux **must** be set to a strictly positive value before the first irradiation step.

The flux **must** be set to zero before using the keyword **ZERO**.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
FLUX 1.5E15
```

For the next time interval a total flux of $1.5 \times 10^{15} \text{ n cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ will be used and this will also be used for subsequent time intervals until countermanded by a further **FLUX** keyword.

4.22 FUEL *n1* *is(j) atoms(j) j=1, n1*

Initial phase

This keyword allows the input of the number, *n1* of nuclides and the name, *is(j)* and the number of atoms, *atoms(j)* for each nuclide. The name is specified using the format 'Te129m'.

The specification of nuclides is essential if the materials to be irradiated do not have the natural isotopic abundance. If different values are required then **FUEL** should be used.

The total mass of input material is calculated from the amounts of the nuclides input.

Note that **FUEL** and **MASS must not** both be used in a particular case. If **FUEL** is used for a run in which an inventory is calculated then the density of the material **must** be specified using **DENSITY**.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
FUEL 2
Li6 8.5E24
Li7 1.5E24
```

In this case lithium highly enriched in the ${}^6\text{Li}$ isotope is to be irradiated.

4.23 FULLXS

Any phase

This keyword causes the full, energy-dependent group cross-sections to be stored when the cross-section library data are being collapsed. For it to be effective it must be specified before the cross-section libraries are collapsed, i.e., before the **GETXS** keyword with arguments *1 ebins*.

4.24 GENERIC *igener* {1}

Initial phase

In addition to the normal output of pathway data, there is a section showing generic pathway data. A generic pathway is one in which all instances of a link of type 'Nuclide[isomer state m or n](IT)Nuclide[state g]' is replaced by 'Nuclide[state g]'. All pathways that when simplified in this fashion have the same form belong to the same generic pathway and the contributions of all the pathways are added to give the contribution of the generic pathway. The default is always to print the generic information, but it can be switched off by setting *igener* to 0.

4.25 GETDECAY *libdecay*

Library phase

This keyword has one integer parameter *libdecay* which is set to zero to read decay data from an existing condensed decay library (*arrayx* file), or to one to condense decay and fission data from the EAF or ENDF library files specified in the *files* file.

For example, to get cross-section data from a collapsed library and decay data from a condensed library:

```
GETXS 0
GETDECAY 0
FISPACT
* Irradiation of SS316 steel
...
```

4.26 GETXS *libxs* <*ebins*>

Any phase

This keyword has two integer parameters. If the first parameter *libxs* is set to zero, then the second parameter should be omitted, and cross-section data are read from the existing collapsed library (*collapx* file) specified in the *files* file. If *libxs* is 1, then the second parameter *ebins* gives the number of energy bins to be used in collapsing the cross-section data from the ENDF or EAF library files and *fluxes* or *arb_flux* files specified in the *files* file. If *libxs* is -1, then the ENDF data are read from the compressed binary version of the ENDF data stored in the file specified by *xs_endfb* in the *files* file. The value *libxs* = -1 is not valid for EAF libraries. For information on the preparation of the compressed binary ENDF data files see Section 7.1.

The **GETXS** keyword may also be used in the initial conditions and inventory calculation phases for handling time-dependent projectile spectra and temperature changes in cross-sections. When this keyword is used in the initial conditions section of the input file, its actions are performed immediately, so all settings that are to apply to the reading of new cross-sections **must** be declared before the use of **GETXS**.

The number of energy groups *ebins* **must** be consistent with the number of groups in the supplied library file. The permitted numbers of groups for cross-section data are currently

EAF-2010	66	69	100	172	175	211	315	351	616
ENDF	162	586	616	709	1102				

Each set of energy-dependent cross-sections is then combined in a weighted sum with the supplied projectile spectrum to produce a one-group effective cross-section library which is used directly in subsequent runs.

Note that if no uncertainty data are supplied in the library (as for the deuteron and proton induced reactions) then the keyword **NOERROR** *must* be used.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
GETXS 1 709
FISPACT
* Collapsing TENDL-2017
...
```

If *ebins* equals 1, then the user can specify an arbitrary energy bin structure via the *enbins* input file. This file should give a description of the energy bin structure, followed by the number of groups (i.e. the actual *ebins* to be used), and then a list of comma-separated *ebins*+1 energy boundaries in decreasing eV order. An example of such a file for the 175-group "Vitamin-J" structure is:

```
'VITAMIN-J '
175
1.96403E7, 1.73325E7, 1.69046E7, 1.64872E7, 1.56831E7, 1.49182E7, 1.45499E7,
1.41907E7, 1.38403E7, 1.34986E7, 1.28403E7, 1.25232E7, 1.22140E7, 1.16183E7,
1.10517E7, 1.05127E7, 1.00000E7, 9.51229E6, 9.04837E6, 8.60708E6, 8.18731E6,
7.78801E6, 7.40818E6, 7.04688E6, 6.70320E6, 6.59241E6, 6.37628E6, 6.06531E6,
5.76950E6, 5.48812E6, 5.22046E6, 4.96585E6, 4.72367E6, 4.49329E6, 4.06570E6,
3.67879E6, 3.32871E6, 3.16637E6, 3.01194E6, 2.86505E6, 2.72532E6, 2.59240E6,
2.46597E6, 2.38513E6, 2.36533E6, 2.34570E6, 2.30693E6, 2.23130E6, 2.12248E6,
2.01897E6, 1.92050E6, 1.82684E6, 1.73774E6, 1.65299E6, 1.57237E6, 1.49569E6,
1.42274E6, 1.35335E6, 1.28735E6, 1.22456E6, 1.16484E6, 1.10803E6, 1.00259E6,
9.61672E5, 9.07180E5, 8.62936E5, 8.20850E5, 7.80817E5, 7.42736E5, 7.06512E5,
6.72055E5, 6.39279E5, 6.08101E5, 5.78443E5, 5.50232E5, 5.23397E5, 4.97871E5,
4.50492E5, 4.07622E5, 3.87742E5, 3.68832E5, 3.33733E5, 3.01974E5, 2.98491E5,
2.97211E5, 2.94518E5, 2.87246E5, 2.73237E5, 2.47235E5, 2.35177E5, 2.23708E5,
2.12797E5, 2.02419E5, 1.92547E5, 1.83156E5, 1.74224E5, 1.65727E5, 1.57644E5,
1.49956E5, 1.42642E5, 1.35686E5, 1.29068E5, 1.22773E5, 1.16786E5, 1.11090E5,
9.80365E4, 8.65170E4, 8.25034E4, 7.94987E4, 7.20245E4, 6.73795E4, 5.65622E4,
5.24752E4, 4.63092E4, 4.08677E4, 3.43067E4, 3.18278E4, 2.85011E4, 2.70001E4,
2.60584E4, 2.47875E4, 2.41755E4, 2.35786E4, 2.18749E4, 1.93045E4, 1.50344E4,
1.17088E4, 1.05946E4, 9.11882E3, 7.10174E3, 5.53084E3, 4.30742E3, 3.70744E3,
3.35463E3, 3.03539E3, 2.74654E3, 2.61259E3, 2.48517E3, 2.24867E3, 2.03468E3,
1.58461E3, 1.23410E3, 9.61117E2, 7.48518E2, 5.82947E2, 4.53999E2, 3.53575E2,
2.75364E2, 2.14454E2, 1.67017E2, 1.30073E2, 1.01301E2, 7.88932E1, 6.14421E1,
4.78512E1, 3.72665E1, 2.90232E1, 2.26033E1, 1.76035E1, 1.37096E1, 1.06770E1,
8.31529 , 6.47595 , 5.04348 , 3.92786 , 3.05902 , 2.38237 , 1.85539 ,
1.44498 , 1.12535 , 8.76425E-1, 6.82560E-1, 5.31579E-1, 4.13994E-1, 1.00001E-1,
1.0E-5
```


Note that the user is responsible for linking to (and if necessary creating) nuclear data files in the specified group format.

Warning: For advanced users only. The standard solution to the common problem of having a flux spectrum in a non-standard energy group structure is to apply GRPCONVERT and convert the flux spectrum into one of the standard group formats listed above.

It may be also used in the inventory calculation phase to compute new collapsed cross-sections where the projectile spectrum changes significantly during the course of an irradiation, or where the dependence of cross-sections on energy changes significantly due to temperature changes.

When **GETXS** is used in the inventory calculation section of the input file, its actions are performed immediately, so all settings that are to apply to the reading of new cross-sections **must** be declared before the use of **GETXS**.

If the projectile spectra at a series of irradiation times are known, then it is possible to prepare the corresponding collapx files prior to the inventory calculation. An input file that would achieve this is

```
GETXS 1 709 << first collapse >>
SPEK
GETDECAY 1 << condense decay data >>
FISPACT
* THREE COLLAPSES AND CONDENSE
GETXS 1 709 << second collapse >>
GETXS 1 709 << third collapse >>
END
* END OF COLLAPSE
```

The cross-section files and flux files for each of these collapses are specified in the order in which they are used in the files file:

```
...
# first collapse
#input
fluxes FLUXES.01
xs_endf ../../ENDFdata/TENDL2014data/tal2014-n/gxs_709
prob_tab ../../ENDFdata/TENDL2014data/tal2014-n/tp-709-294
#output
collapxo COLLAPX.01

# second collapse
#input
fluxes FLUXES.02
xs_endf ../../ENDFdata/TENDL2014data/tal2014-n/gxs_709
prob_tab ../../ENDFdata/TENDL2014data/tal2014-n/tp-709-294
```

```
#output
collapxo COLLAPX.02

# third collapse
#input
fluxes FLUXES.03
xs_endf ../../ENDFdata/TENDL2014data/tal2014-n/gxs_709
prob_tab ../../ENDFdata/TENDL2014data/tal2014-n/tp-709-294
#output
collapxo COLLAPX.03
...
```

The inventory run using these collapsed cross-sections uses **GETXS** in the input file to replace the collapsed cross-sections as required:

```
<< physical data from condensed library >>
GETXS 0 << get cross section from first COLLAPX.01 file in files >>
GETDECAY 0 << get decay data from ARRAYX >>
FISPACT
...
<< first part using COLLAPX.01 >>
TIME 6.109E-06 DAYS
SPECTRUM

<< second part using COLLAPX.02 >>
GETXS 0
FLUX 2.64634E+14
TIME 6.108994E0 DAYS
SPECTRUM

<< third part using COLLAPX.03 >>
GETXS 0
FLUX 2.66930E+14
TIME 2.44410E+01 DAYS
ATOMS
...
```

where now the files file contains the queue of collapsed cross-section files, with one collapxi for each **GETXS 0** in the input file:

```
# collapsed cross-sections queue
collapxi COLLAPX.01
collapxi COLLAPX.02
collapxi COLLAPX.03
```

Note that the format of the EAF-2010 and earlier cross-section libraries does not embed the number of energy groups or the group boundaries in the library file, so it

is not possible to confirm the consistency of the specified *ebins* with the cross-sections being used. If they are not consistent, erroneous results may be calculated without any warning from FISPACT-II.

4.27 GRAPH *numg grshow guncrt nopt(i) i=1, numg*

Initial phase

This keyword specifies what information is stored in the file graph for subsequent post-processing. The number of graphs required (*numg*) is input, and for each graph an option number (*nopt(i)*) is read. Allowable values for the options are

- 1 Total Activity
- 2 Total γ dose rate
- 3 Total heat output
- 4 Ingestion dose
- 5 Inhalation dose

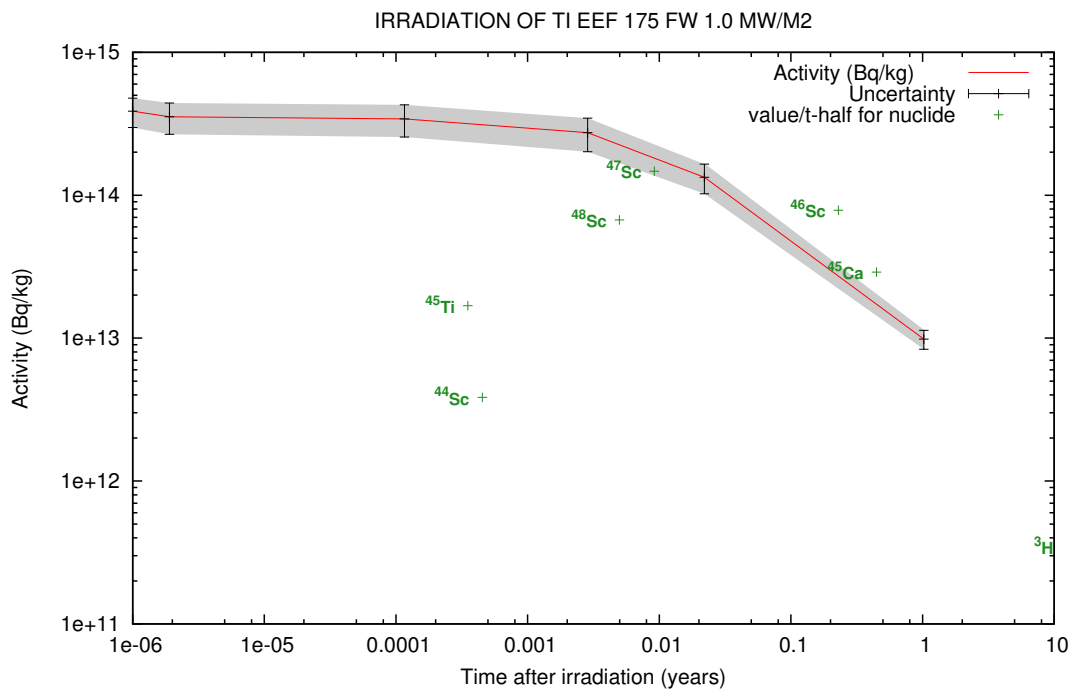
The parameter *grshow* allows slightly different versions of the data file to be constructed. If *grshow* = 0 then an output suitable for PC post-processing is obtained; if *grshow* = 1 then the output might be more suitable for other platforms. If *grshow* = 2 then a *.gra* file is written in a form suitable for gnuplot and a *.plt* file containing gnuplot commands to plot the graphs is also written. For example, issuing the command

```
gnuplot test81.plt
```

will create the file *test81.gra.ps* from *test81.gra*. An example of an activity output graph produced by this command on a Linux workstation is shown in Fig. 12.

The third parameter *guncrt* allows the user to specify if uncertainty data should be (1) or should not be (0) written to the graph file. If the uncertainty data are written then the plotting routines can display the uncertainties on all five types of plots.

The axes are scaled automatically in the gnuplot *.plt* file. The minimum time is set to the start of the logarithmic decade in which the first cooling step is displayed. The value of the radiological quantity at the start of the cooling time ($t = 0$) is plotted on the ordinate of this graph. The graph command will fail if there is not at least one cooling step.



file name = test61.gra run timestamp = 17:43:11 10 May 2013

Figure 12: Graphical output produced using the gnuplot visualisation package.

If different display options are required, then the user may edit the *.plt files to match their preferences.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
GRAPH 3 0 1  
1 2 4
```

In this case data on activity, γ dose-rate and ingestion dose are written to a file in standard format with uncertainty data included. From this file three graphs can subsequently be plotted.

4.28 GROUP *igamgp* {0}

Initial phase

This keyword specifies the binning of the discrete photon spectral lines into histograms for use in the γ -dose computations and **PRINTLIB** output. The same bins are used for the approximate γ spectra generated when the **SPEK** keyword is used in the condense phase of the library data processing.

The default (*igamgp* = 0) means that the γ -spectrum data are output in a 24-energy group structure.

However, if *igamgp* = 1 then the output is in the 22-group ‘Steiner’ energy structure.

Note that the structure determined by *igamgp* is also used when **TAB4** is specified to produce a file of the γ -spectrum data.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
GROUP 1
```

In this case data will be output in 22 energy groups.

Table 6 summarises the energy group structures for the 24- and 22-group formats.

Table 6: The Gamma spectrum energy group structures for the 24- and 22-group formats.

24 Group		22 Group	
Group number	Energy range (MeV)	Group number	Energy range (MeV)
1	0.00 - 0.01	1	0.00 - 0.01
2	0.01 - 0.02	2	0.01- 0.10
3	0.02 - 0.05	3	0.10 - 0.20
4	0.05 - 0.10	4	0.20 - 0.40
5	0.10 - 0.20	5	0.40 - 1.00
6	0.20 - 0.30	6	1.00 - 1.50
7	0.30 - 0.40	7	1.50 - 2.00
8	0.40 - 0.60	8	2.00 - 2.50
9	0.60 - 0.80	9	2.50 - 3.00
10	0.80 - 1.00	10	3.00 - 3.50
11	1.00 - 1.22	11	3.50 - 4.00
12	1.22 - 1.44	12	4.00 - 4.50
13	1.44 - 1.66	13	4.50 - 5.00
14	1.66 - 2.00	14	5.00 - 5.50
15	2.00 - 2.50	15	5.50 - 6.00
16	2.50 - 3.00	16	6.00 - 6.50
17	3.00 - 4.00	17	6.50 - 7.00
18	4.00 - 5.00	18	7.00 - 7.50
19	5.00 - 6.50	19	7.50 - 8.00
20	6.50 - 8.00	20	8.00 - 10.00
21	8.00 - 10.00	21	10.00 - 12.00
22	10.00 - 12.00	22	12.00 - 14.00
23	12.00 - 14.00		
24	14.00 →		

4.29 GRPCONVERT *nestrc ndstrc*

Any phase

This keyword allows the user to read a neutron (or other projectile) spectrum in an arbitrary number of groups (*nestrc*) and instruct FISPACT-II to convert it into one of the presently-allowed eleven standard structures. *ndstrc* **must** therefore be 66, 69, 100, 162, 172, 175, 211, 315, 351, 586, 616, 709 or 1102; using any other value will result in an error message. The user must prepare a file containing the following data and connect it to the `arb_flux` input stream in the `files` file:

- *nestrc*+1 values representing the arbitrary energy boundaries starting with the highest energy.
- *nestrc* values representing the flux values ($\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) in each group starting with the high-energy group.
- First wall loading (MW m^{-2})
- Text string (maximum of 100 characters) identifying the spectrum.

Note that each of the above groups of items should start on a new line in the file, but there should be no blank lines separating them.

The output file will contain information about the conversion: what fraction of the input groups are included in each output group and details of the input and the output spectra.

The converted spectrum is written to the file connected to the `fluxes` stream named in the `files` file; this contains the standard information for a `fluxes` file:

- *ndstrc* values representing the flux values ($\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$) in each group starting with the high-energy group.
- First wall loading (MW m^{-2})
- Text string (maximum of 100 characters) identifying the spectrum.

Note that although the text string can contain 100 characters only the first 22 will be used as the spectrum identifier, so these should provide an unambiguous description.

The conversion is done on an equal flux per unit lethargy basis; e.g. if one of the input groups is split into two or more groups in the converted spectrum then the fraction of particles in each output group is determined by the ratio of each lethargy interval of the output structure to the total lethargy interval of the input structure.

There is a restriction on the number of arbitrary energy groups; this **must** be greater than 2.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
GRP_CONVERT 99 172
```

In this case a spectrum in 99 groups is converted into the XMAS (172) group structure.

4.30 HALF

Initial phase

This keyword causes the half-life of each nuclide to be printed in the output at all timesteps. The units are seconds, but if the nuclide is stable then the word 'Stable' is printed. If this keyword is not used then an indication of the stable nuclides in the output can be seen in the 'flags' section to the right of the nuclide identifier.

4.31 HAZARDS

Initial phase

This keyword causes data on potential ingestion and inhalation doses to be read and the dose due to individual nuclides to be printed in the output at all timesteps.

4.32 INDEXPATH

Initial phase

This keyword causes the index of nuclides that lie on the significant pathways to be written to the `ind_nuco` channel if a pathways calculation is selected (see also Section 4.86 on the **UNCERTAINTY** keyword).

4.33 IRON

Initial phase

This keyword should be used only for calculations where small quantities of impurities in an iron matrix are to be irradiated. In a run without this keyword the activity of the

impurities would probably be masked by the activity of the iron. In order to remove the “background” this keyword causes the iron matrix to be replaced by a matrix of a fictitious stable nuclide with no induced reactions so that the printed inventories and dose rates refer only to the impurities.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
IRON
MASS 1.0 2
Fe 99.9999
Ag 1.0E-4
```

In this run, corresponding to the irradiation of 1 ppm of silver impurity in iron, the output will be due only to the reactions on silver. However, the γ dose-rate will represent decays of silver isotopes in an iron matrix rather than in solid silver.

4.34 JSON

Library phase

Introduced in version 4.0, this keyword causes FISPACT-II to produce an additional output file `<fileroot>.json`, which is in a JSON format. This allows users to easily parse the outputs using standard packages in many languages.

For more details on the sections of the legacy output that are supported in the JSON output, see Section 5.6.

4.35 LIBVERSION *nlibv* {1}

Any phase

This keyword is used to select the format of the nuclear data libraries to be read. It is not needed if ENDF-format libraries are to be used. *nlibv* is an integer indicating the library version. If *nlibv* is set to 0, then EAF library formats are assumed, and the EAF unit mapping keywords must appear in the `files` file.

LIBVERSION must be used before the **FISPACT** keyword as it determines which input streams from the `files` file are used to read the nuclear data.

This keyword may also be used in the initial conditions and inventory calculation sections of the input file if the cross-sections or decay rates are to be changed during the course of a run.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
LIBVERSION 1
NOERROR
PROJ 2
GETXS 1 162
FISPACT
* TENDL-2015 gxs-162: deuteron 1 MeV - 200 MeV
```

The 162-group ENDF format cross-section library for a deuteron projectile is to be read.

4.36 LIMGRP *Emin Emax*

Library phase

This keyword is used with the spectra conversion feature with the **GRPCONVERT** keyword. It causes the flux values below the *Emin* to be removed and added to the first energy group above *Emin*, as well as the flux values above *Emax* to be added to the last group below *Emax*. Note that while both energies are required, they can be ignored by setting numbers outside the input incident-particle spectrum, e.g. *Emin* as 1.0E-5 eV.

4.37 LOGLEVEL *level* {2}

Any phase

The error logging module in FISPACT-II provides error messages identifying the point in the code from which the message is issued, together with information identifying its severity and its nature. In some cases, values are output before the error message for further clarification.

Six error severities are defined by the value of *level*:

- 0 fatal error
- 1 serious error
- 2 error warning
- 3 error information
- 4 debug information
- 5 logging info

The default is to write messages for severity 2 (error warning) and higher. The **LOGLEVEL** keyword allows the amount of information written to the runlog file to be varied. For example

```
LOGLEVEL 4
```

will cause extra information to be output that may help identify the cause of problems.

LOGLEVEL may appear repeatedly throughout the input file to increase or decrease the amount of diagnostic information as required.

4.38 LOOKAHEAD

Initial phase

This keyword is used for fine-tuning of the pathways and uncertainty calculations. If it is present then the pathways and uncertainty calculations do a look-ahead over the entire cooling phase and add any dominant nuclides that appear in the late-time dominant nuclide lists to the list of target nuclides created at the **ZERO** time for use in the pathways calculation.

This keyword should be used with care as it may lead to slow calculations or even code failure through heap exhaustion because of large numbers of target nuclides in the pathways calculation. If this is a problem then the keyword **PATHRESET** provides an alternative approach. For further discussion on this see the **UNCERTAINTY** keyword on page 112.

4.39 MASS *totm indx2* *sym(i) xp(i) i=1, indx2*

Initial phase

This keyword allows the input of the total mass *totm* (kg) and the number (*indx2*) of elements in the material to be irradiated. For each element the chemical symbol *sym(i)*, e.g. 'Fe', and the percentage by weight, *xp(i)*, are then read. This keyword enables elements to be input with the number of atoms of each isotope calculated by FISPACT-II using natural abundance data that are stored internally. If an element whose natural abundances are not known is selected, then FISPACT-II will issue a fatal error message. Computations for these cases **must** use the **FUEL** keyword.

The **MASS** keyword is the recommended method of inputting materials, unless special isotopic compositions are required.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
MASS 1.0 7
Fe 65.255
Cr 18.0
Ni 12.015
Mo 2.4
Mn 1.8
Si 0.5
C 0.03
```

In this case the composition of a stainless steel (ignoring impurities and minor elements) is specified. 1 kg of the steel containing the seven listed elements is to be irradiated.

Note that **FUEL** and **MASS** **must not** both be used in the same case in the input file.

Note it is not essential that the total of all elements is exactly 100%, however if the total was say 80% and 1 kg was specified for *totm*, then only 800 g of material would be considered in the calculation. It is recommended that the user ensures that the total percentage of all elements equals 100%.

4.40 MCSAMPLE *distrib* {1} *nsamples* {10} *lb* {-3.0} *ub* {3.0}

Initial phase

This keyword is used in conjunction with the **SENSITIVITY** keyword to change the sampling used in the Monte-Carlo calculation. In the Monte-Carlo calculation, values of cross-sections are randomly selected from a distribution with a mean and standard deviation given by the value and uncertainty specified. The first argument, *distrib*, is an integer that specifies the distribution to be used:

- 1 log-normal
- 2 normal
- 3 uniform
- 4 log-uniform

nsamples is the number of Monte-Carlo samples per parent-daughter pair specified by **SENSITIVITY**. *lb* and *ub* give the cutoffs for the log-normal and normal distributions. For the log-normal distribution, these define the range in multiples of the standard deviation from the logarithm of the mean at which the logarithm of the sample is accepted. For the normal distribution, they define the range in multiples of the

standard deviation from the mean at which the sample is accepted. *lb* and *ub* are not used for the uniform and log-uniform distributions.

4.41 MIND *mind* {1}

Initial phase

This keyword allows the input of a parameter indicating the minimum number of atoms which are regarded as significant for the output of the inventory. It is usually not important to consider a few atoms of a nuclide. The default value is 1, but this means that inventory tables with an extremely large number of unimportant nuclides will be output, and it is recommended that a value such as 10^5 be used for the *mind* parameter. It is possible to use a parameter value less than 1 if information on a wide range of nuclides is required.

Note that the value of *mind* corresponds to the amount of material specified; it does not refer to number of atoms for a unit mass.

A request for a small *mind* will produce meaningful results only if the *atol* parameter of the **TOLERANCE** keyword is also set to a suitable small value, less than the value of *mind*.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
MIND 1.0E5
```

In this case all nuclides with numbers of atoms $< 10^5$ are omitted from the inventory output.

4.42 MONITOR *monit* {0}

Library phase

The progress of a FISPACT-II run can be monitored by printing the various keywords as they are read in the input file and reporting the actions they initiate to the standard output. The default is not to print this information, but it can be switched on by setting *monit* to 1. For both settings of *monit*, the keywords and their actions are written to the runlog file.

An example of the use of this keyword is

MONITOR 1

In this case the keywords in the input are echoed to standard output.

4.43 NOCOMP

Initial phase

This keyword causes the table of elemental compositions to be omitted from the inventory printout.

4.44 NOERROR

Library phase

This keyword stops uncertainty information from being used. It should be used if a cross-section library with no uncertainty component is being collapsed, or if such a collapsed library is used with the **UNCERTAINTY** keyword. (This keyword can still be used so long as only pathway data are required.)

Note that if this keyword is used with the **ERROR** keyword then the user **must** supply values of the fractional error (*ermat*).

If output of the data libraries is requested with the **PRINTLIB** keyword, and no uncertainty data exist, then **NOERROR must** be used.

In all cases the keyword **must** come near the top of the input file, before the keyword **FISPACT**.

4.45 NOFISS

Library phase

This keyword stops the fission yield data from being input and processed during the preparation of the arrayx file. It causes substantial speedup of the calculation, but will cause errors in the inventory predictions if fission is important. It is advisable not to use this keyword if the initial inventory contains actinides.

4.46 NOSORT

Initial phase

The default output includes a sorted list of the dominant nuclides where a maximum of *topx* {10} nuclides is shown. The nuclides are sorted by activity, heat, γ dose rate, ingestion dose, inhalation dose, β heat, γ heat and clearance index. The list can be removed by the use of this keyword to reduce running time, although including the list typically increases the running time by only a few percent.

Note that removing the dominant nuclide list also disables the output of pathways and uncertainty estimates that might have been requested by the **UNCERTAINTY** keyword.

4.47 NOSTABLE

Initial and Inventory phases

Use of this keyword inhibits the printing of any stable nuclides in the inventory and is useful when the inventory is large and it is required to save space. This keyword may also be used in the inventory calculation section of the input file.

4.48 NOT1

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword switches off the output to the external file that was switched on by the **TAB1** keyword. Both **TAB1** and **NOT1** may be used several times during a run to restrict the output as required.

4.49 NOT2

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword switches off the output to the external file that was switched on by the **TAB2** keyword. Both **TAB2** and **NOT2** may be used several times during a run to restrict the output as required.

4.50 NOT3

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword switches off the output to the external file that was switched on by the **TAB3** keyword. Both **TAB3** and **NOT3** may be used several times during a run to restrict the output as required.

4.51 NOT4

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword switches off the output to the external file that was switched on by the **TAB4** keyword. Both **TAB4** and **NOT4** may be used several times during a run to restrict the output as required.

4.52 NUCGRAPH *numg floor uncert nopt(i), i=1,numg*

Initial phase

This keyword creates data output files as <fileroot>.grn and <fileroot>.pln that contain the data and gnuplot plotting instructions for the total and dominant nuclide contributions for a set of output functions including:

1. specific activity
2. specific total heat
3. gamma dose rate
4. specific gamma heat
5. specific beta heat
6. specific ingestion
7. specific inhalation

The *topx* and *topxx* inputs from the **SORTDOMINANT** keyword may be used to limit or expand the number of dominant contributions considered. The *floor* argument specifies the cutoff for a dominant contribution to be plotted. Only those curves that contribute more than the *floor* percentage of the total value are included in the graph data.

The *uncert* argument allows the user to plot the **UNCERTAINTY** pathways-based uncertainty data (for the total response only) using *uncert=1* or the uncertainty may be ignored using *uncert=0*.

This keyword requires the user to specify a gnuplot style file as *ng_style* within the *files* file to generate the full plot script, which may be plotted using

```
gnuplot <fileroot>.pln
```

The default *<fileroot>.pln* created by this keyword should be treated as a guiding template only - the user should modify it to produce visually acceptable output. Example usage of the keyword:

```
...
FISPACT
* Title of the simulation
< -- Initial phase -- >
...
NUCGRAPH 7 0.01 1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
...
< -- Inventory phase -- >
...
```

4.53 OVER *ja*

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword enables library data to be modified for a particular case. It can be called several times during an irradiation if required. *ja* specifies the nuclide that is to have data changed. The identifier can be specified using the format 'Te129m'².

The **OVER** keyword is followed by one of four keyword options:

ACROSS *jb*

sig(n) n=1, ngr

jb is the daughter of the reaction and *sig(n)* is the new cross-section (barns) for the *n*-th energy group. For all existing EAF and ENDF libraries *ngr* = 1. (*ngr* is used to retain backward compatibility.) *jb* is specified in the same manner as *ja* above.

Note that if a fission reaction is required then *jb* should be either `Fission` or `0`.

²Note that the nuclide name specification is not case conscious, so Te129m or TE129M or te129m or tE129M, etc. could equally well be used.

ALAM *thalf units*

thalf is the new half-life of the nuclide and *units* specifies the time unit:

SECS	1	seconds
MINS	2	minutes
HOURS	3	hours
DAYS	4	days
YEARS	5	years

The units are specified either by name (SECS, MINS, etc.) or by number (1, 2, etc)

ADCROSS *jb*

errfcx

jb is the daughter of the reaction and *errfcx* is the new error factor for the cross-section.

ADLAM *dthalf*

dthalf is the new error factor for the half-life.

Examples of the uses of the **OVER** keyword are:

```
OVER BE9
ACROSS HE6 1.05490E-2
```

Here the 1-group cross-section for the reaction ${}^9\text{Be}(n,\alpha){}^6\text{He}$ is given the value 10.549 mb for all subsequent calculations in the run.

```
OVER C14
ALAM 3000.0 5
```

Here the half-life of ${}^{14}\text{C}$ is given the value 3000.0 years for all subsequent calculations in the run.

```
OVER C14
ADCROSS C13 1.10
```

Here the error factor for the $^{14}\text{C}(n,2n)^{13}\text{C}$ reaction is set to 1.10 for all subsequent calculations in the run.

Note that the `arrayx` and `collapx` files are not altered, so that in subsequent runs the cross-section, half-life or error factor will revert to its original value.

Note that the **OVER** keyword **must** occur after the **GETXS** and **GETDECAY** keywords that obtain the library data to be modified.

4.54 **PARTITION** *npart* *sym(n) xpart(n) n=1, npart*

Inventory phase

This keyword allows the material to be split or partitioned into two streams during an irradiation or cooling. The part that continues to be considered by the code consists of all elements not specified (*npart* elements are specified) and the fractions *xpart(n)* of the specified elements *sym(n)*. The stream containing the remainder is lost and cannot be followed any further by the code.

Typical uses of this keyword might be to model recycling of irradiated material or the loss by diffusion of tritium from a material. In the first case **PARTITION** would be used after irradiation and cooling and would model the loss of volatile elements during re-fabrication. In the second case the irradiation might be split into several intervals and **PARTITION** used in each interval to model the loss of tritium.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
PARTITION 2  
Ar 0.01  
K 0.20
```

In this case all elements except argon and potassium remain unmodified, all argon isotopes are reduced by a factor of 100 and all potassium isotopes are reduced to a fifth of their values before the keyword was used.

4.55 **PATH** *nlink* *indxp(i) i = 1, nlink+1*

Initial phase

This keyword allows a particular pathway consisting of *nlink* reactions and decays to be specified. The (*nlink*+1) nuclides in the pathway are input using their identifiers

(e.g. 'Te129m'). For backwards compatibility the 'R' and 'D' have been retained, but are not used. Any character (e.g., 'X') could be used instead. All reactions and decays between a given parent and daughter nuclide are retained, and the path calculation gives a breakdown of the percentage of the inventory of the daughter due to each reaction and decay that leads to it from the specified parent.

This keyword is necessary only if a special investigation of pathway information is needed. Pathway data can be generated automatically for all the dominant nuclides by using the **UNCERTAINTY** keyword. **PATH** might be used for a particularly complicated pathway not generated automatically or to investigate nuclides only formed in small amounts.

Path inventories are calculated over all the timesteps until the **ZERO** keyword is encountered.

It is possible when using this keyword to produce first a standard inventory and then the numbers of atoms of the daughters are specified in subsequent runs using the **RESULT** keyword. No inventory then needs to be calculated for these runs investigating the pathways.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
PATH 3
Ti46 R Ti45 D Sc45 R Sc44m
```

This generated the output

```
Target nuclide Sc 44m      5.060% of inventory given by 1 path
-----
path 1  5.060% Ti 46 ---(R)--- Ti 45 ---(b)--- Sc 45 ---(R)--- Sc 44m---(S)---
          100.00% (n,2n)   100.00% (b+)    100.00% (n,2n)
                          0.00% (n,p)
```

i.e., 5.06% of the daughter nuclide ^{44m}Sc was formed from ^{46}Ti along the path $^{46}\text{Ti}(n,2n)^{45}\text{Ti}(\beta^+)^{45}\text{Sc}(n,2n)^{44m}\text{Sc}$.

A very small percentage ($< 0.005\%$) of ^{45}Ti was transmuted to ^{45}Sc by the (n,p) reaction (MT=103).

4.56 PATHRESET *showpathways*

Initial and Inventory phases

For inventory calculations with long cooling times, the dominant nuclides at late times may not be significant at the end of the irradiation phase, and this leads to poor estimates for the uncertainties. One remedy for this is to use the **LOOKAHEAD** keyword. In some instances, particularly where there are actinides in the source material, the look-ahead approach may lead to excessively large numbers of target nuclides in the pathways calculations.

The **PATHRESET** keyword provides an alternative means of including late-time dominant nuclides. Its inclusion leads to the pathways calculation being repeated in the cooling phase and this causes the late time dominant nuclides to be included in the uncertainty calculations. There are three values for the *showpathways* argument:

- 1 display pathways for a target nuclide for which pathways have not been displayed at earlier times;
- 0 do not display pathways, but use the pathways in uncertainty estimates;
- 1 display pathways for all dominant nuclides at each pathways reset.

If the **PATHRESET** keyword is included in the initial conditions section of the input file, then pathways are recalculated at each step where there are new target nuclides, and all occurrences of the **PATHRESET** keyword in the inventory calculation phase are ignored. The recommended usage of this keyword is to use it where required in the cooling phase of the inventory calculation.

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The **PATHRESET** keyword provides an alternative means of including late-time dominant nuclides. Its inclusion after the **ZERO** keyword leads to the pathways calculation being repeated at the cooling step immediately before its occurrence. It can be included as often as required. This causes the late-time dominant nuclides to be included in the uncertainty calculations. There are three values for the *showpathways* argument:

- 1 display pathways for a target nuclide for which pathways have not been displayed at earlier times;

- 0 do not display pathways, but use the pathways in uncertainty estimates;
- 1 display pathways for all dominant nuclides at each pathways reset.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
TIME 6.8E10 ATOMS
PATHRESET 0
TIME 2.2E11 ATOMS
```

For further discussion on this see the **UNCERTAINTY** keyword on page 112.

4.57 POWER *power_level no_mt* *mt(i) i=1,no_mt*

Initial and Inventory phases

POWER causes the flux to be adjusted to give the *power_level* (W/cm³) given by the first argument, where the power is computed from the sum of the *no_mt* kerma powers given by the collapsed kerma cross-sections with mt values mt(1), mt(2), ... mt(no_mt).

POWER is an alternative to FLUX. If the kerma data are not available, for the mt values given, then a fatal error will be issued. If the mt are outside the range for kerma, a fatal error will be issued. At present kerma data are available for the TENDL data.

POWER causes a line of the form shown below to be written to the output stream every time it is called:

```
flux amplitude changed using POWER keyword: old value = 0.32500E+15
new value = 0.32513E+15 cm{-2} s{-1}
```

An example of the use of the keyword is

```
POWER 1.3E0+2 1 301
```

This sets the flux to a level that gives a power of 130 W/cm³ from the kerma total for the initial inventory. Allowed kerma mt values are given in Table 22 on page 226.

The power level is set based on the inventory at the start of the integration interval over which the flux amplitude is fixed. In general, the power will evolve, and so it may

be necessary to break a long irradiation phase into sub-steps and reset the flux at each sub-step. This may be achieved using **STEP** and the **PULSE-ENDPULSE** loop structure. For example, a one year irradiation may have four silent intervals followed by a last one that produces inventory output:

```
...  
PULSE 4  
POWER 100.0 1 301  
TIME 0.2 YEARS STEP  
ENDPULSE  
POWER 100.0 1 301  
TIME 0.2 YEARS ATOMS  
...
```

4.58 PRINTLIB *print*

Initial phase

This keyword causes the printing of the data libraries in a readable form. The output consists of ten blocks of data, the contents of which are:

1. decay data, including fission yields if appropriate, for each nuclide
2. the branching ratios of decays for each radionuclide
3. the cross-section data (including uncertainties) for each reaction in the specified projectile spectrum
4. nuclides which will give a bremsstrahlung contribution to the γ dose rate
5. the projectile spectrum used to collapse the cross-section library
6. the photon and particle decay spectral lines energy and intensity for unstable nuclides
7. a list giving the library source of the ENDF cross-section data file for each nuclide (ENDF library input only).
8. a list giving the library source of the ENDF decay data file for each nuclide (ENDF library input only).
9. a compact summary of the decay data, including parent nuclide state, half life, decay modes and decay fractions.
10. a summary of element standard densities and isotope natural abundances used in the code.

The value of the parameter *print* determines which blocks are output.

- 0 Blocks 1-5
- 1 Block 1 only
- 2 Blocks 2, 3, 4 and 5
- 3 Block 5 only
- 4 Block 3 to extra significant figures in two-column format, with the collapsed dpa and kerma cross-sections added
- 5 Block 6
- 6 Block 7
- 7 Block 8
- 8 Block 9
- 9 Block 10

Note that if no uncertainty data exist in the library then the keyword **NOERROR** **must** be used before **PRINTLIB**.

Note that it is recommended that a separate FISPACT-II run, giving a library output and no inventory, be done for each decay data library and kept for reference.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
PRINTLIB 1
```

The library data for decays (half-lives, average energies, γ -spectra and fission yields) are output.

4.59 PROBTABLE *multxs* {0} *usepar* {1}

Any phase

This keyword causes the probability tables to be read for the nuclides specified by the elements listed by the **SSFCHOOSE** keyword.

The self-shielding is applied to the existing cross-section value as a multiplicative factor if *multxs* is set to 1. If it is set to zero, then the cross-section values in the energy groups for which there are probability table data are replaced by values which are derived directly from the probability tables.

The second argument defines the way in which the self-shielding factors (SSF) are computed:

***usepar* = 0** use the total cross-section to calculate one SSF for each nuclide and apply this factor to all relevant cross-sections;

***usepar* = 1** use macro-partial cross-sections to calculate a separate SSF for each macro-partial and apply it to relevant reactions contributing to that macro-partial.

If the 616-group infinitely-dilute cross-sections in the EAF data library and the CAL-ENDF probability table data were fully consistent, these two methods of calculation would give the same answers. However, the EAF data do not contain the elastic scattering cross-sections, and so cannot give the correct total cross-section. The CAL-ENDF probability tables do give the correct total cross-sections, but only provide cross-sections for sets of macro-partials, and so have to use the EAF data to apportion the cross-sections when they are used to replace EAF values when self-shielding is included. The replacement option is the recommended one, but both options are included so that the user can assess the uncertainty of the effective collapsed self-shielding factor. An expert mode that allows fine-tuning of the dilution factors is provided using the **SSFDILUTION** keyword.

See Appendix C.4.3 for a more detailed explanation of the alternative calculations performed, and Section 5.4 for an illustration of including self-shielding in the computation of the effective collapsed cross-section data.

At present, the probability table data are available only for the 616 and 709 energy group structures for neutrons. Attempts to use this keyword with other projectiles or cross-section datasets with other than the 586, 616, 709 or 1102 energy group structure will cause FISPACT-II to terminate with a fatal error.

The TENDL 709 group data for neutron projectiles do contain elastic scattering cross-section data, and so both choices of *multxs* should give very similar results if these are used in conjunction with probability table data.

4.60 PROJECTILE *nproj* {1}

Library phase

This keyword defines the incoming particle for the activation calculations. This keyword **must** be used if a library other than a neutron-activation one is used.

At present, cross-section uncertainty data are known only for neutron-induced reactions, so if *nproj* is not 1, then the **NOERROR** keyword **must** also be used.

For a gamma library *nproj* should be set to '5', for a deuteron library *nproj* should be set to '2', for a proton library *nproj* should be set to '3' and for an alpha library *nproj* should be set to '4'. A neutron library uses the default value of '1'.

From FISPACT-II version 4.0, the **PROJECTILE** keyword now accepts *np* arguments of ‘6’ for triton-induced reactions and ‘7’ for helion-induced reactions. These are intended to be used with the TENDL-2017 libraries.

An example of the use of this keyword in the collapse of a deuteron library is

```
MONITOR 1
PROJ 2
NOERROR
GETXS 1 162
FISPACT
* COLLAPSE TENDL-2017 tal-p
END
* END OF RUN
```

4.61 PULSE *npulse*

Inventory phase

This keyword is used to start the “loop” construct in the input file. *npulse* is the number of times that the keywords between **PULSE** and **ENDPULSE** are repeated. Using FISPACT-II it is possible to nest this pair of keywords to an arbitrary depth, and there is now no limit on *npulse* for any loop.

This facility is included so that a series of identical pulses (off time and on time) can be represented easily in the input file.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
PULSE 5
FLUX 0.0
TIME 1.0 HOURS SPECTRUM
FLUX 1.0E15
TIME 1.0 HOURS SPECTRUM
ENDPULSE
FLUX 0.0
TIME 1.0 HOURS SPECTRUM
FLUX 1.0E15
TIME 1.0 HOURS ATOMS
```

At the end of the irradiation it is wished to include six hour-long pulses. Five of these are specified in the loop using **SPECTRUM** so that no detailed inventory is produced. The final pulse (the end of the irradiation) has a detailed inventory since **ATOMS** is used.

4.62 READGG

Library phase

This keyword specifies the binning of the discrete photon spectral lines into histograms for use in the decay γ source spectrum. In order to use this feature, three things are required:

- Add the keyword within the library preparation section of the input file(s)
- Include a file with the requested gamma group structure
- Add the gamma group file in the `files` file as `ggbins`

To add the keyword within the library preparation section of the input file, place the keyword before the `GETDECAY` keyword:

```
...  
READGG  
GETDECAY 1  
FISPACT  
* Title of the simulation  
...
```

The format of the group file is:

```
[N number of groups]  
Energy 0  
Energy 1  
...  
Energy N
```

with $N + 1$ energies in ascending order and with units of eV. Note that zero is not allowable as a first energy. An example would be:

```
5  
1.0  
1.0E+05  
5.0E+05  
1.0E+06  
2.0E+06  
1.0E+07
```

The location of this file must be added with the `ggbins` path in the `files` file:

```
# gamma spectrum group energy bins
ggbins /path/to/gamma_group_file
```

Alternatively, **READGG** can be placed in a stand-alone condense input, for example the various `arrayx.i` of the `fispQA/Tst_ggs/`. Note that if this is done, all calculations which employ the condensed `ARRAYX` data will use that gamma group structure specified in the condense.

4.63 READSF

Library phase

This keyword causes the ENDF spontaneous fission yield data to be read, and has no effect for EAF data libraries. The directory containing the spontaneous fission yield data is specified by the keyword `sf_endf` in the `files` file.

4.64 SAVELINES

This keyword causes the spectral line energies and intensities to be stored when the decay library data are being condensed.

Note that the spectral lines output option chosen with the **PRINTLIB 5** command will produce spectral line output only if the **SAVELINES** command is used as described above.

4.65 RESULT *nresu* *sym(i) x(i) i = 1, nresu*

Inventory phase

This keyword is used when calculating pathways. The pathway output includes the percentage of the total amount of the daughter nuclide produced by a particular pathway. One way to obtain this total amount is to perform an inventory run prior to the pathway calculation. However, it is much easier to be able to get the inventory from a separate run and then manually to use results from that inventory and input them into the pathway calculation.

nresu nuclides are specified and for each, the identifier *sym(i)* (e.g. 'Te129m') and the number of atoms $x(i)$ are specified.

If **ATOMS** or **SPECTRUM** is not present, then **RESULT** is necessary to start the pathway calculation and so **must** follow the keyword **PATH** or **ROUTES**.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
RESULT 3
C14 1.356E19
N14 8.560E17
N15 7.568E12
```

The numbers of atoms of ^{14}C , ^{14}N and ^{15}N obtained from a standard inventory run are specified.

4.66 ROUTES *par dau path_floor loop_floor max_depth*

Initial phase

As an alternative to specifying a particular pathway with the keyword **PATH**, the keyword **ROUTES** can be used. This will search for all pathways from the parent nuclide (*par*) to the daughter nuclide (*dau*) that contribute more than the cutoffs specified by *path_floor*, *loop_floor* and *max_depth*.

The definitions of *path_floor*, *loop_floor* and *max_depth* are as described in Section 4.86 on page 112.

Note that backward compatibility is not preserved by this command, in that its arguments are different from those used by FISPACT-2007.

The **ZERO** or **RESULT** keyword initiates the calculation of the routes over all the time intervals before its occurrence.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
...
LOOKAHEAD
ROUTES A127 H3 1.0e-4 1.0e-2 25
FLUX 1.0E+15
TIME 2 YEARS ATOMS
...
```

The output for a run using these commands gave:

```

          R O U T E S   A N A L Y S I S   F O R   I R R A D I A T I O N   P H A S E
          =====

no of steps      =      1
irradiation time = 6.31152E+07 secs
flux            = 1.00000E+15 n/cm**2/s
path floor      = 1.00000E-02% of target inventory
loop floor      = 1.00000E+00% of path inventory
max depth       = 25 (maximum number of edges between source and target)

Source Nuclides
Al 27

Target Nuclides
H 3

Target nuclide H 3 99.743% of inventory given by 3 paths
-----

path 1 99.338% Al 27 ---(R)--- H 3 ---(L)---
          100.00%(n,t)

path 2 0.319% Al 27 ---(R)--- Al 26 ---(R)--- H 3 ---(L)---
          100.00%(n,2n) 100.00%(n,t)

path 3 0.086% Al 27 ---(R)--- Na 23 ---(R)--- H 3 ---(L)---
          100.00%(n,na) 100.00%(n,t)

```

For an interpretation of the output, see page 131.

4.67 SAVELINES

Library phase

This keyword causes the spectral line energies and intensities to be stored when the decay library data are being condensed.

Note that the spectral lines output option chosen with the **PRINTLIB 5** command will produce spectral line output only if the **SAVELINES** command is used as described above.

4.68 SENSITIVITY *xsens xsen1 insen3 insen4* *parent(i) daughter(i) i=1, insen3* *nuclide(j) j=1, insen4*

Initial phase

This keyword allows sensitivity calculations to be performed. The sensitivity Monte-Carlo calculation is undertaken over all the irradiation steps and is initiated by the **ZERO** keyword. Time dependent flux amplitude, flux spectra and cross-sections are permitted in sensitivity runs.

If *xsens* = *LAMBDA* then the sensitivity coefficients with respect to decay constant are calculated. If *xsens* = *SIGMA* then the sensitivity coefficients with respect to cross-section are calculated. However, only one of these options can be specified for a case, the keyword **must not** be input twice. In the current version the *LAMBDA* option is not available.

The cut-off value *xsen1* is the magnitude of the correlation coefficient (≤ 1.0) value below which results are not printed. A typical value may be 0.8.

The independent variables for the monte-carlo calculations are the reactions defined by *insen3* parent-daughter pairs. To include fission use the name `Fission` or number 0 for the daughter nuclide name.

For each of the *insen4* nuclides specified the sensitivity of that nuclide to each of the *insen3* cross-sections or decay constants is calculated.

If *insens4* is set to zero, then the merged list of dominant nuclides (i.e., all nuclides that appear on any of the dominant lists) is used as the nuclide list.

See Appendix C.8 on page 241 for further details of the sensitivity method, and Section 5.1.9 on page 129 for a description of the output produced.

Example

```
SENSITIVITY SIGMA 0.8 2 1
Ti48 Sc48
Ti49 Sc48
Sc48
```

Parameters for the Monte-Carlo calculation may be reset using the **MCSAMPLE** and **MCSEED** keywords. If *insens4*=0, then the number of nuclides displayed may be controlled by the **SORTDOMINANT** keyword.

4.69 SORTDOMINANT *topxx* {20} *topx* {20}

Initial phase

This keyword controls the uncertainty calculations and their display in the output file. *topxx* nuclides are included in the dominant list used for uncertainty calculations and *topx* of them are displayed in the output file. *topx* **must** be less than or equal to *topxx*.

4.70 SPECTRUM

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword is an alternative to **ATOMS**. It suppresses the inventory output, so that only the γ spectrum and total values are printed. When it is used in the initial conditions section of the input file, this summary applies to the initial inventory.

4.71 SPEK

Library phase

This keyword causes the calculation of an approximate γ spectrum for nuclides in the decay library which have no spectral data. These nuclides are flagged by an '&' in the inventory output and in the output of library data produced in a run with the keyword **PRINTLIB**.

4.72 SPLIT *isplit* {0}

Initial phase

This keyword allows the display of an additional summary table at the end of the run. This summary table contains separate information on the heat production by beta and gamma radiation at each time interval and is output after the existing summary table. By default this new summary table is not printed, but it can be displayed if *isplit* is set to 1. Note that if the new summary table is required then the keyword **HAZARDS** **must** be used to ensure that uncertainties are correctly printed.

4.73 SSFCHOOSE *ncho* {0} *nprint* {0} *sym(j), j=1, ncho*

Any phase

This keyword is used to specify the nuclides for which the self-shielding factors are computed using the probability table data (see Appendix C.4.3 on page 227).

ncho gives the number of element or nuclide names that follow the keyword. The symbols *sym* may either be element names (e.g., Ti) or nuclide names (e.g., W182). If an element name is given, then all the naturally occurring isotopes of that element are included in the list of nuclides to which the self-shielding correction is to be applied.

nprint is by default 0, in which case it prints the list of probability table data files and the nuclide mixture. If it is set to 1, then it additionally prints total and partial cross-sections and dilutions versus energy bin for all the nuclides to which self-shielding is being applied.

The following is an example of a collapse run where probability table corrections are included for isotopes of tungsten.

```
GETXS 1 709
PROBTAB 1 0
SSFCHOOSE 4 0
W182 W183 W184 W186
SSFFUEL 4
W182 1.34834187E+22
W183 7.27597094E+21
W184 1.55899050E+22
W186 1.44654079E+22
FISPACT
* COLLAPSE tal-n/gxs-709 with tp-709-294
END
* END OF RUN
```

Within the initial and inventory phases, this keyword is applied to the next **GETXS** command to collapse cross sections.

4.74 SSFDILUTION *nnuc*
nucname(j) num(j)
grp(i,j) dilution(i,j), i=1,num(j), j=1, nnuc

Any phase

This keyword adds further user control to that provided by the **SSFCHOOSE** keyword.

If **SSFCHOOSE** is used with argument *nprint* set to 1, then the computed dilutions versus energy bin are printed for each nuclide. These dilutions are computed using the formulae given in Appendix C.4.3. If the user wishes to override these values, then he may do so using the **SSFDILUTION** keyword.

The first argument *nnuc* lists the number of nuclides for which dilution values are to be specified. For each nuclide *j*, the nuclide name *nucname(j)* and the number of table entries *num(j)* are given, followed by a list of *num(j)* pairs of energy group indices *grp* and dilution cross-section values *dilution* in barns.

In this example the dilution for ¹⁸²W is set to 100 and 80 barns respectively in energy groups 300 and 301, and the dilution for ¹⁸⁴W is set to 2.5 and 10 barns in groups 194 and 200.

```
SSFDILUTION 2
W182 2
300 100.0 301 80.0
W184 2
194 2.5
200 10.0
```

Within the initial and inventory phases, this keyword is applied to the next **GETXS** command to collapse cross sections.

4.75 SSFFUEL *n1*
is(j) atoms(j) j=1, n1

Any phase

This keyword allows the input of the number, *n1* of nuclides and the identifier, *is(j)* and the number of atoms, *atoms(j)* for each nuclide that is to be used in the self-shielding calculation. The identifier should be a nuclide name with the format of a chemical symbol followed by an atomic mass number, e.g. 'W184'.

The specification of nuclides is essential if the materials specified do not have the natural isotopic abundance. If different values are required then **SSFFUEL** should be used.

Note that **SSFFUEL** and **SSFMASS** **must not** both be used in a particular case.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
SSFFUEL 4
W182 1.34834187E+22
W183 7.27597094E+21
W184 1.55899050E+22
W186 1.44654079E+22
```

In this case tungsten with the ^{180}W isotope removed is to be used in the self-shielding calculation.

The **SSFFUEL** keyword in this section applies to the collapse calculation initiated by the **FISPACT** keyword. Within the initial and inventory phases, this keyword is applied to the next **GETXS** command to collapse cross sections.

4.76 SSFGEOMETRY *type length1 <length2 >*

Any phase

This keyword introduces the use of the “universal sigmoid curve” model of self-shielding [26, 27, 28] to account approximately for the reduction of the neutron flux by cross-section resonances.

The first integer parameter *type* defines the type of target geometry and the following one or two real parameters specify the size of the target, in units of cm. Permitted values of *type* are 1–4, with interpretations as follows

<i>type</i>	Target shape	<i>length1</i>	<i>length2</i>
1	foil	thickness	<i>(not used)</i>
2	wire	radius	<i>(not used)</i>
3	sphere	radius	<i>(not used)</i>
4	cylinder	radius	height

where foil targets are taken to be of infinite transverse extent and wires are taken to be infinitely long.

The self-shielding factors are calculated using the resolved resonances of the nuclides specified with the **SSFFUEL** keyword, or indirectly using the **SSFMASS** keyword.

In the latter case, the natural abundance data stored internally in FISPACT-II are used to calculate the numbers of atoms of the individual nuclides.

For foil (*type* = 1) or wire (*type* = 2) targets, the numbers of atoms specified are interpreted as being per unit area or length, respectively.

Note that **SSFGEOMETRY** and **PROBTABLE** **must not** both be used in a particular case.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
SSFMASS 0.000193 1
W 100.0
SSFGEOMETRY 1 0.01
```

In this case pure tungsten is specified. A foil 0.1 mm thick containing 0.193 gcm^{-2} of tungsten with the five stable isotopes in their natural abundances is to be used in the self-shielding calculation.

The **SSFGEOMETRY** keyword in this section applies to the collapse calculation initiated by the **FISPACT** keyword. Within the initial and inventory phases, this keyword is applied to the next **GETXS** command to collapse cross sections.

4.77 SSFMASS *totm indx2* *sym(i) xp(i) i=1, indx2*

Any phase

This keyword allows the input of the total mass *totm* (kg) and the number (*indx2*) of elements in the material to be used in the self-shielding calculation. For each element the chemical symbol *sym(i)*, e.g. 'W', and the percentage by weight, *xp(i)*, are then read. This keyword enables elements to be input with the number of atoms of each isotope calculated by FISPACT-II using natural abundance data that are stored internally. If an element whose natural abundances are not known is selected, then FISPACT-II will issue a fatal error message. Computations for these cases **must** use the **SSFUEL** keyword.

The **SSFMASS** keyword is the recommended method of inputting materials, unless special isotopic compositions are required.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
SSFMASS 1.0 1
W 100.0
```

In this case pure tungsten is specified. 1 kg of tungsten containing the five stable isotopes in their natural abundances is to be used in the self-shielding calculation.

Note that **SSFFUEL** and **SSFMASS** **must not** both be used in the same case in the input file.

It is not essential that the total of all elements is exactly 100%. However, it is recommended that the user ensures that the total percentage of all elements equals 100%.

The **SSFMASS** keyword in this section applies to the collapse calculation initiated by the **FISPACT** keyword. Within the initial and inventory phases, this keyword is applied to the next **GETXS** command to collapse cross sections.

4.78 **SSFFUEL** *n1* *is(j) atoms(j) j=1, n1*

Any phase

This keyword allows the input of the number, *n1* of nuclides and the identifier, *is(j)* and the number of atoms, *atoms(j)* for each nuclide that is to be used in the self-shielding calculation. The identifier should be a nuclide name with the format of a chemical symbol followed by an atomic mass number, e.g. 'W184'.

The specification of nuclides is essential if the materials specified do not have the natural isotopic abundance. If different values are required then **SSFFUEL** should be used.

Note that **SSFFUEL** and **SSFMASS** **must not** both be used in a particular case.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
SSFFUEL 4
W182 1.34834187E+22
W183 7.27597094E+21
W184 1.55899050E+22
W186 1.44654079E+22
```

In this case tungsten with the ¹⁸⁰W isotope removed is to be used in the self-shielding calculation.

The **SSFFUEL** keyword in this section applies to the collapse calculation initiated by the **FISPACT** keyword. Within the initial and inventory phases, this keyword is applied to the next **GETXS** command to collapse cross sections.

4.79 STEP

Inventory phase

This keyword starts the solution of the inventory equations over the time interval specified. It differs from the **ATOMS** keyword (see page 60) in that it generates only a single time line for each time interval. Its primary use is in multiple step irradiation phases. An example of this use is when the irradiating flux is repeatedly adjusted to maintain a constant power level:

```
<< -----irradiation phase----- >>
PULSE 9
POWER 120.0 1 301
TIME 0.1 YEARS STEP
ENDPULSE
POWER 120.0 1 301
TIME 0.1 YEARS ATOMS
```

Here the flux is adjusted every tenth of a year to maintain a power level computed from the total Kerma of 120 W/cm³, with output only at the end of one year.

4.80 TAB1 *ia*

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword causes the inventory data in columns 1 and 2, the number of atoms and grams of each nuclide, to be written to an external file (TAB1). Note that the stream number *ia* is now ignored. Both **NOT1** and **TAB1** may be used several times during a run to restrict and restore the output as required.

4.81 TAB2 *ib*

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword causes the inventory data in columns 3 and 7, the activity (Bq) and dose rate (Sv h⁻¹) of each nuclide, to be written to an external file (TAB2). Note that the stream number *ib* is now ignored. Both **NOT2** and **TAB2** may be used several times during a run to restrict and restore the output as required.

4.82 **TAB3** *ic*

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword causes the inventory data in columns 8 and 9, the ingestion and inhalation dose (Sv) of each nuclide, to be written to an external file (TAB3). Note that the stream number *ic* is now ignored. Both **NOT3** and **TAB3** may be used several times during a run to restrict and restore the output as required.

4.83 **TAB4** *id*

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword causes the gamma-ray spectrum (in MeV s^{-1}) in the 24-energy group format (or 22-group format if the **GROUP** parameter is 1) to be written to an external file (TAB4). In addition a second column showing the number of gammas per group is also given in TAB4. Note that the stream number *id* is now ignored. Both **NOT4** and **TAB4** may be used several times during a run to restrict and restore the output as required.

4.84 **TIME** *t*

Initial and Inventory phases

When used in the initial conditions section of the input file, this keyword sets the first time interval *t* for the inventory calculation, terminates the initial conditions section and triggers the processing of any keyword actions that may have been queued. The time interval is specified in seconds by default, but the value of the time may be followed by one of the following keywords

SECS, MINS, HOURS, DAYS or **YEARS**

so that time units other than seconds may be used.

Note that it is important when inputting times that it is the interval time, not the total elapsed time that is specified. Thus for cooling steps the time printed on the inventory is the sum of all the previous cooling time intervals after the keyword **ZERO**.

Examples of the use of this keyword are

```
ZERO
TIME 2.5 YEARS
ATOMS
```

```
TIME 7.5 YEARS  
ATOMS
```

Following irradiation the start of cooling is specified by the keyword **ZERO**. Inventories at the elapsed times of 2.5 and 10 years are output.

4.85 TOLERANCE *itol atol* { 10^4 } *rtol* { 2×10^{-3} }

Initial phase

This keyword is used to set absolute (*atol*) and relative (*rtol*) tolerances that are passed to the LSODES solver to control the convergence of the solution. If *itol* = 0 the tolerances are applied to the main inventory calculation and if *itol* = 1 they are applied to pathways calculations. The keyword may be used twice to adjust both pairs of tolerances. If the keyword is used twice or more for a given *itol*, then the last values specified will be used.

The *atol* parameter is significant in relaxing the accuracy requirement on the results for the minor constituents of an inventory and to avoid excessive demands on the solver. If accurate results *are* required for minor constituents of the inventory, indicated by the setting of a small *mind* parameter, then *atol* should be reduced as well.

It is an important part of any numerical study to establish that the significant radiological output quantities are converged. Repeating calculations with *itol*=0 and smaller *atol* and (*rtol*, and comparing results must be part of any serious investigation. One indication that radiological predictions should be treated with caution until convergence studies have been performed is if the ? flag is set in the inventory table output (c.f., Section 5.1.2 on page 120) for nuclides that appear in the dominant nuclide table (c.f., Section 5.1.7).

Another indication of poor convergence is that is the total inventory in a pathway calculation (c.f., Section 5.1.11 on page 131) adds up to more than 100%. If this occurs, then warning messages will be issued in the runlog file. The pathways calculations use the LSODE solver on the subset of nuclides appearing in a pathway, and are likely to give better predictions for minor constituents than the main solver where convergence of main constituents dominate, so first try reducing the tolerances for *itol*=0, and then for *itol*=1 until convergence is achieved.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
TOLERANCE 0 5.0E3 2.0E-6
```


In this case the absolute tolerance is reduced by a factor of two and the relative tolerance is reduced by 1000 compared with the default values for the main inventory calculation. See Appendix C.11.4 for more information.

4.86 UNCERTAINTY *iuncer* {0} <*path_floor* {0.005} *loop_floor* ↘
→{0.01} *max_depth* {10} *iuncer* >

Initial phase

This keyword allows user control of the uncertainty estimates and pathway information that are calculated and output for each time interval. This is primarily specified by the parameter *iuncer* {0}. The allowed values are:

- 1 resets default values for a particular run and permits other values to be specified by the following parameters, which can be present only for this value of *iuncer*.
- 0 no pathways or estimates of uncertainty are calculated or output;
- 1 only estimates of uncertainty are output (although all the pathway information is calculated);
- 2 both estimates of uncertainty and the pathway information are output;
- 3 only the pathway information is output;
- 4 now generates a fatal error message.

path_floor {0.005} All pathways contributing more than the *path_floor* fraction of the inventory of the final (target) nuclide are retained.

loop_floor {0.01} All loops that increase the inventory contribution of the path they are on by a fraction greater than the *loop_floor* are retained.

max_depth {10} is the maximum number of links in a path from a source nuclide to a target nuclide.

iuncer following all the other parameters allows values 0, 1, 2 or 3 to be input again so that after resetting the default values an actual calculation with the new values can be done.

Note any use of the keyword **UNCERTAINTY** to change the default settings for the pathways calculation **must** precede the first occurrence of the keywords **ATOMS** or **SPECTRUM**.

Note that if no uncertainty data exist in the cross-section library then the valid values of *iuncer* are only -1, 0 or 3.

Omitting the keyword will ensure that only inventory calculations are carried out, and should be done if a fast scoping run is required.

Examples of the use of this keyword are

```
UNCERT 2
```

This will ensure that in addition to the inventory calculations, the pathways to form the dominant nuclides and the uncertainty estimates are output. This is the standard use of the keyword for a full investigation of activation.

```
UNCERT -1 0.001 0.005 10 2
```

This resets the default values and then carries out a full calculation.

The target nuclides included in a pathways calculation are by default selected by merging the dominant nuclide lists at the end of the irradiation phase. The number of nuclides included in the merged list is controlled by the *topxx* argument of the **SORTDOMINANT** keyword (see page 103).

The number of nuclides selected by the default *topxx*, and the pruning of the pathways search tree caused by the default *path_floor*, *loop_floor* and *max_depth* values usually lead to a quick and accurate pathways and uncertainty calculation. However, even the pruned tree search is subject to combinatorial growth, and so in some cases computational times may become excessive or the available heap storage may become exhausted. Balanced against this is the need to keep sufficient pathways to ensure that important reaction and decay chains are identified and included. If excessive time for pathways calculations is encountered, then try using larger *path_floor* and *loop_floor* values and smaller *max_depth* and *topxx* values to get faster calculations, and then use different values to assess convergence.

Inventory calculations which have long cooling times pose a particular problem, in that dominant nuclide in late cooling times may be insignificant at the end of the irradiation phase. A symptom of this problem are uncertainties that drop to zero at late times because the pathways to the late-time dominant nuclides are not included in the uncertainty calculation. If the loss of accuracy is due to only a few late-time dominant nuclides, then the **LOOKAHEAD** (Section 4.38) keyword provides a simple means of including all the late-time dominant nuclides. In some cases, particularly when there are actinides in the material, then **LOOKAHEAD** leads to a slow computation because too many nuclides get included in the pathways calculation. The **PATHRESET** (Section 4.56) keyword provides an alternative in these cases. This keyword causes the pathways calculation to be redone for the dominant nuclides at the

time interval preceding the keyword, and by reducing *topxx* and increasing the number of occurrences of **PATHRESET** combinatorial growth can be avoided whilst retaining important pathways at each time step. Uncertainty estimates that are printed for both the old and new set of pathways at the points where **PATHRESET** are used indicate whether the reset is needed to achieve convergence of the error estimate.

A description and examples of the uncertainty and pathways output generated by using this keyword may be found in Sections 5.1.10, 5.1.11 and 5.1.12. Appendices C.9 and C.10 outline the methods of calculation.

4.87 UNCTYPE *iuncty* {1}

Initial phase

This keyword allows the user to specify the type of uncertainty contributions to include when calculating the uncertainties of the radiological quantities. If *iuncty* is set to 1, or if the keyword is not used, then only the cross-section uncertainties are used in the calculation of uncertainties.

If *iuncty* = 2 then only the half-life uncertainties taken from the decay data library are used in the calculation of uncertainties.

If *iuncty* = 3 then both cross-section and half-life uncertainties are used.

Examples of the use of this keyword are

```
UNCERT 2
UNCTYPE 2
```

Uncertainty calculations will be done, but only using the half-life uncertainties. Cross-sections are assumed to have no uncertainties. Such a calculation is useful to isolate the contribution (generally small) of half-life uncertainties.

```
UNCERT 2
UNCTYPE 3
```

Uncertainty calculations will be done, but using both the cross-section and half-life uncertainties.

4.88 USEFISSION

Initial phase

This keyword causes fission reactions for which fission yield data are stored in the fission yield library to be self-consistently included in the matrix describing the inventory equations. It should be used in conjunction with **FISYIELD** whenever actinides (or other heavy elements that are transmuted to actinides) are specified in the target material. When it is absent, all fission reactions are omitted from the inventory equations, leading to much faster calculations which remain accurate when there are no actinides in the initial inventory and none is produced.

If there are actinides in the initial inventory and the **USEFISSION** keyword has not been used, then warning messages are written to both the output and runlog files.

4.89 USESPALLATION *cutoff-energy nnuc* *nuc(i) i=1, nnuc*

Library phase

This keyword merges data from the cross-section library on stream `xs_endf` with the spallation cross-section data on stream `sp_endf`. The merged cross-section data files are stored in the directory mapped to stream `xs_extra`.

The *cutoff-energy* is given in MeV and specifies the energy at which the use of `xs_endf` is switched to `sp_endf`. The *nnuc* value specifies the number of isotopes that are to be spliced. If 0 is set for *nnuc*, the keyword causes *all* isotopes to be spliced for which there is both a file in `xs_endf` and `sp_endf`. Following these options, the user must specify the *nnuc* number of isotopes.

An example of the use of this keyword is

```
PROJ 3
USESPALLATION 100.0 4
Pb204
Pb206
Pb207
Pb208
GETXS 1 162
```

In this case the set of stable lead isotopes are spliced for proton-induced reactions. Note that the HEIR-0.1 library, released with FISPACT-II version 4.0, provides proton-induced reaction data for 2096 isotopes, typically with over 1000 residual products per file. This can introduce several million entries to the rate equation matrix, requiring

significantly more computer resources. An example calculation is provided in the `getting_started` Section 3.7.5.

The library merging only needs to be done once for a given cutoff energy. Subsequent collapse runs may be performed using the **USEXSEXTRA** keyword. NOTE that the library files from previous runs will be used if they remain in the `xs_extra` directory. It is recommended that the contents of the `xs_extra` directory be removed before subsequent runs using the **USESPALLATION** are performed.

4.90 USEXSEXTRA

Library phase

The **USEXSEXTRA** keyword instructs the collapse step to use the cross section data from the `xs_extra` stream in preference to data in the `xs_endf` stream. It is only implemented in the read library keywords phase and so cannot be changed for subsequent collapses in the inventory phase. The keyword has no effect for EAF data.

USEXSEXTRA requires that the stream `xs_extra` is defined in the `files` file, otherwise a fatal error message will be issued:

```
Log : directory unit name = xs_extra
00001: Fatal : files_m:files_open:27:
        no directory name in filename queue
        check you are using the correct LIBVERSION.

FATAL ERROR - run terminated
```

To add the `xs_extra` stream add the lines to the `files` file:

```
# Extra cross section data
xs_extra ./xs_extra
```

where the second argument is the path to the directory containing the replacement cross section files.

4.91 WALL *wall*

Initial and Inventory phases

This keyword allows the input of the total neutron first wall loading *wall* in units of MW m^{-2} for a fusion device. This is converted to a flux value by using data read from the neutron spectrum file. The neutron spectrum file (`fluxes`) contains a value of the first wall loading, e.g. 4.15 MW m^{-2} . The energy integrated flux, e.g. $1.80 \times 10^{15} \text{ n cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$, which is approximated by the sum of neutrons in all the groups, is calculated and equated to the wall loading during library processing.

Note that it is the user's responsibility to ensure that this wall loading is correct when the spectrum file is constructed. If a wall loading of 2.0 MW m^{-2} was input then a flux value of $(2.0/4.15) \times 1.80 \times 10^{15} \text{ n cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ would be used in the calculations.

WALL is a convenient alternative to using **FLUX** for the irradiation of first wall materials, but great care must be exercised if it used for irradiations with other than first wall spectra. (In these cases the flux specified for the region must be that which would be present if the first wall loading shown in the file was present on the first wall.) It is recommended that **FLUX** is always used in preference to **WALL** unless the user has a run that makes its use essential.

It should be noted that the wall loading describes the power that impinges on the first wall, *not* what is actually absorbed by it. In this sense the wall loading represents a convenient, but not fundamental, parameter. The power carried by the neutron flux impinging upon the first wall is related to the 14 MeV neutron current not flux. If one works out the heating power of 14 MeV neutrons it is found that a current C , of $4.44 \times 10^{13} \text{ n cm}^{-2} \text{ s}^{-1}$ is equivalent to 1 MW m^{-2} . The relationship between 14 MeV neutron current and flux depends upon the source and first wall geometry and will vary from plant to plant.

4.92 XSTHRESHOLD *xs_thresh 1.0E-12*

Library phase

This keyword specifies minimum cross section for inclusion within the pathways-based uncertainty analysis. The default is $1.0\text{E-}12$ barns but this can be set at other values to reduce the computational expense of a simulation (for other options see **UNCERTAINTY**) or to probe small cross sections. A value of 0 forces all cross sections to be used.

4.93 ZERO

Inventory phase

This keyword is used to reset the time value to zero after an irradiation. After **ZERO** the output will show “COOLING TIME” rather than “TIME” in the title for the interval. It also sets the flux to zero, but the **FLUX** keyword should also be used.

This keyword **must** be used after an irradiation if the keyword **GRAPH** is also used in the input file.

This keyword initiates the calculation and output of pathways (as specified by the **UNCERTAINTY**, **ROUTES** or **PATH** keyword in the initialisation phase). If neither **ZERO** nor **RESULT** keywords are present, then no pathways information will be output.

NOTE: Irradiation steps can be specified after the **ZERO** keyword has been specified if so desired. This allows one to investigate pathways for a subset of the irradiation steps or to get graphical output for irradiation steps.

4.94 <<comment >>

Comments may be included anywhere (apart from within the text input lines beginning with *) enclosed by double angle brackets (<< >>). These comments may cover several lines of the input file.

An example of the use of this construction is

```
ATOMS
<< -----irradiation phase----- >>
TIME 2.5 YEARS
```

5 Interpretation of Output

All FISPACT-II runs have two main output files; output containing the physical results of the calculation and runlog containing error reporting and logging information.

5.1 The Inventory Run output File

The layout of output has been designed to follow closely that of FISPACT-2007. Unless stated otherwise, the following excerpts are taken from the inventory run described in

Section 3.6.

5.1.1 Header and run information

The output file always begins with a header identifying the version of the code and the CVS repository export Tag for the Release version.

```
=====
|
| _____/____|_/\_/\_/_/_/_____|_||_____|_|| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| |__|_|_|\_____\|_|_|_|_/_/_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|
| |_|_|_|_||_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|
|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|_|
|
|                               F I S P A C T - I I
|                               -----
|
|               Transmutation-Activation Inventory Code
|               United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority
|
|                   Release 4.0 January 2018
|           Copyright (c) 2009-18, UK Atomic Energy Authority
|
|=====
```

Printed after the header information is the box containing unique identifying information for the run.

```
-----
|
|                               RUN IDENTIFICATION INFORMATION
|
| INITIAL CROSS SECTION DATA
| Collapsed library timestamp: 15:56:33 24 August 2015
| EAF source library label:
| FLUX file label:           Position #3 Normalization Factor
|
| DECAY DATA
| Condensed library timestamp: 15:36:26 24 August 2015
| EAF source library label:  Decay input from separate files
|
| THIS RUN
| timestamp:                 09:26:29 26 August 2015
| fileroot :                 inventory
| name of FILES file:        files
| FISPACT title:             * FNS 5 Minutes Inconel-600
|
| See the inventory.log file
| and summary details at the end of this file for further information on files used by this run
|
|=====
```


Note that only the initial cross-section data are identified. For runs where the cross-section data change, further information on data and flux files is displayed at the end of the output file. There are no platform-specific messages, as FISPACT-II is written in standard-conforming Fortran, and the same source is used for Unix, Linux, Mac-OS and Windows versions.

Occurrences of the **ATOMS** keyword in the input file cause the output at the end of the step of

1. table keys (first **ATOMS** only);
2. the time line;
3. iron information (if the **IRON** keyword used, see fispQA Tst_709 test117.i for an example);
4. the inventory, comprising
 - (a) the heading line;
 - (b) a line for each nuclide with non-negligible inventory (see **MIND** keyword);
 - (c) nuclide table totals;
 - (d) inventory summary.
5. inventory by element (if **NOCOMP** is not used);
6. gamma spectra;
7. gamma-dose totals;
8. dominant nuclides (if **NOSORT** is not used);
9. Bremsstrahlung corrections (if the **BREMSSTRAHLUNG** keyword is used, see fispQA2010 test4 for an example);

5.1.2 Table key

Prior to the first inventory tables output initiated by the **ATOMS** keyword the following key is printed:

```
-----  
| NB: IN FOLLOWING TABLES                                     |  
| ? MEANS CONVERGENCE NOT REACHED FOR NUCLIDE              |  
| & MEANS GAMMA SPECTRUM IS APPROXIMATELY CALCULATED       |  
| # MEANS NUCLIDE IS STABLE                                 |  
| > MEANS NUCLIDE WAS PRESENT BEFORE IRRADIATION           |  
-----  
|                                                           |
```

V	V

This key lists four single character flags that are printed immediately following each nuclide identifier. (Note that the * that was present in FISPACT-2007 output has been dropped, as the equilibrium approximation is not used in the FISPACT-II solver.)

? is the convergence flag whose presence indicates a nuclide with larger uncertainty in its inventory. It is set if the error for the nuclide is greater than 1.5 times the rms norm error set by the `rtol` and `atol` flags (see Appendix C.11). If this flag is set for nuclides that appear in the dominant nuclide table (c.f., Section 5.1.7 below), then results should be treated with caution until convergence studies have been performed;

& indicates that no γ -spectral data were present in the decay data library and that the keyword **SPEK** was used to calculate a spectrum approximately (see Appendix C.7.3). If most of the γ dose-rate is produced from nuclides with this flag then the result should be treated with great caution;

indicates that the nuclide is stable;

> indicates that this nuclide was present in the material input, specified by the **MASS** or **FUEL** keyword.

5.1.3 Time line and nuclide inventory

The time line is printed at the start of the output produced at the end of an integration step initiated by the **ATOMS** or **SPECTRUM** keyword. It displays the time interval number, the step length and the total elapsed time. The **ZERO** keyword causes the elapsed time counter to be reset to zero, and the word **COOLING** to be added to the time line.

NUCLIDE	TIME INTERVAL	2	TIME IS	3.0000E+02 SECS OR	5.0000E+00 MINS	ELAPSED TIME IS	5.000 m	FLUX A				
	ATOMS	GRAMS	Bq	b-Energy	a-Energy	g-Energy	DOSE RATE	INGESTION				
				kW	kW	kW	Sv/hr	DOSE (Sv)				
								INHALATION				
								DOSE (Sv)				
								HALF LIFE				
								second				
H	1	#	2.04274E+10	3.419E-14	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	Stable	
H	2	#	3.37468E+08	1.129E-15	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	Stable	
H	3	#	6.30806E+05	3.159E-18	1.124E-03	1.028E-21	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	4.720E-14	2.922E-13	3.891E+08
He	3	#	1.49099E+05	7.467E-19	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	Stable
He	4	#	3.00423E+09	1.997E-14	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	Stable
Ti	46	#	2.97170E+05	2.268E-17	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	Stable
Ti	47	#	2.20319E+07	1.718E-15	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	Stable
Ti	48	#	8.25936E+05	6.576E-17	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	Stable

The inventory contains up to eleven columns of data (excluding the nuclide identifier and flags) giving values at the end of the step indicated by the time line. The first seven of these are always printed, and their contents are defined in Table 7. In that

table

$A_{r,i}$ = atomic weight of isotope i (amu)
 N_A = Avogadro constant (mol^{-1})
 $E_{\beta,i}$ = β decay energy for isotope i (eV)
 $E_{\alpha,i}$ = α decay energy for isotope i (eV)
 $E_{\gamma,i}$ = γ decay energy for isotope i (eV)
 C_1 = conversion from eV to kJ ($= 10^{-3}e$)

Note that the atomic weights read from the eaf_decay file are in units of neutron masses, but these are converted and stored internally in amu. Note also that the column headings b-Energy, a-Energy and g-Energy used by FISPACT-2007 are retained, despite the fact that the columns contain powers (kW).

Table 7: Entries in columns 1-7 of the inventory output table.

column	description	value	units
1	number of atoms	N_i	
2	mass	$N_i A_{r,i} / N_A$	g
3	activity	$A_i = N_i \lambda_i$	Bq
4	β -power	$A_i E_{\beta,i} C_1$	kW
5	α -power	$A_i E_{\alpha,i} C_1$	kW
6	γ -power	$A_i E_{\gamma,i} C_1$	kW
7	dose rate	Eq.(60) or Eq.(63)	Sv h^{-1}

The remaining four columns are specified by using the **HAZARDS**, **CLEAR**, **ATWO** and **HALF** keywords. The contents of these columns are defined in Table 8. Note that the clearance index is defined as a dimensionless quantity in FISPACT-II rather than as a quantity of dimension mass (kg) as used in FISPACT-2007 so different results will be seen for input masses different from 1 kg. In that table

e_i^{ing}, e_i^{inh} = factors to convert activity of an ingested or inhaled nuclide into the dose (in Sv) received by an average person over 50 years. These factors are tabulated in eaf_hazards.

L_i = specific activity (in Bq kg^{-1}) below which a material is given clearance for disposal. Values of L_i are tabulated in eaf_clear.

m_{tot} = total mass of material (kg)

$A_{2,i}$ = activity level for safe transport. Values of $A_{2,i}$ in TBq are tabulated in eaf_a2.

C_2 = conversion factor from TBq to Bq ($= 10^{12}$)

See Appendix A.7.4 and References[13, 29] for more details on the hazards, clearance and transport (A2) data.

Table 8: Keywords and the entries that they cause to be printed in columns 8-11 of the inventory output table.

keyword	description	value	units
HAZARDS	ingestion dose	$A_i e_i^{ing}$	Sv
	inhalation dose	$A_i e_i^{inh}$	Sv
CLEAR	clearance index	$A_i / (m_{tot} L_i)$	
ATWO	transport index	$A_i / (A_{2,i} C_2)$	
HALF	half-life	$\lambda_i^{-1} \log_e 2$ or 'Stable'	s

5.1.4 Inventory step summary

The step summary appears after the table of values for individual nuclides. The first line contains the number of nuclides N_n printed in the preceding table and the remaining lines give sums over nuclides of various diagnostic quantities. The first three of these lines contain

1. the total activity in curies

$$\text{TOTAL CURIES} = C_3 \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} A_i$$

where $C_3 = 1/(3.7 \times 10^{10})$ is the conversion factor from Bq to Ci.

2. the total alpha power in Ci-MeV

$$\text{TOTAL ALPHA} = 10^{-6} C_3 \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} A_i E_{\alpha,i}$$

where the 10^{-6} is the conversion factor from eV to MeV

3. the total beta power in Ci-MeV

$$\text{TOTAL BETA} = 10^{-6} C_3 \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} A_i E_{\beta,i}$$

4. the total gamma power in Ci-MeV

$$\text{TOTAL GAMMA} = 10^{-6} C_3 \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} A_i E_{\gamma,i}$$

```
TOTAL NUMBER OF NUCLIDES PRINTED IN INVENTORY = 62
```

```
TOTAL CURIES    TOTAL ALPHA    TOTAL BETA    TOTAL GAMMA
CURIE-MeV      CURIE-MeV      CURIE-MeV      CURIE-MeV
4.16621E-05    0.00000E+00    3.17526E-05    4.06607E-05
```

The next line splits the total activity into parts associated with α , β and γ decays according to their decay type (c.f., Table 19 on page 221). Activity from decays with type IRT = 4 is assigned to the ALPHA BECQUERELS total, activity from those with IRT = 1, 11, 16, 17, 20, 2, 14, 19 is assigned to the BETA BECQUERELS total and from those with IRT = 3 to GAMMA BECQUERELS. Activity from decays with IRT = 12 or 13 is split between the α and β totals, and activity from decays with IRT = 15 is split between the α and γ totals.

ALPHA BECQUERELS = 0.000000E+00		BETA BECQUERELS = 8.730359E+05		GAMMA BECQUERELS = 4.686934E+05	
TOTAL ACTIVITY FOR ALL MATERIALS	1.34173E+06 Bq				
	3.05334E-07 Ci/cc	DENSITY	8.42E+00 gm/cc		
TOTAL ACTIVITY EXCLUDING TRITIUM	1.34173E+06 Bq				
	3.05334E-07 Ci/cc				
TOTAL ALPHA HEAT PRODUCTION	0.00000E+00 kW				
TOTAL BETA HEAT PRODUCTION	1.54269E-10 kW				
TOTAL GAMMA HEAT PRODUCTION	2.01236E-10 kW	TOTAL HEAT PRODUCTION	3.55505E-10 kW		
INITIAL TOTAL MASS OF MATERIAL	1.00000E-03 kg	TOTAL HEAT EX TRITIUM	3.55505E-10 kW		
TOTAL MASS OF MATERIAL	1.00000E-03 kg				
NEUTRON FLUX DURING INTERVAL	0.00000E+00 n/cm**2/s				
NUMBER OF FISSIONS	0.00000E+00	BURN-UP OF ACTINIDES	0.00000E+00 %		
INGESTION HAZARD FOR ALL MATERIALS	2.35608E-04 Sv/kg				
INHALATION HAZARD FOR ALL MATERIALS	1.90525E-04 Sv/kg				
INGESTION HAZARD EXCLUDING TRITIUM	2.35608E-04 Sv/kg				
INHALATION HAZARD EXCLUDING TRITIUM	1.90525E-04 Sv/kg				

The TOTAL ACTIVITY FOR ALL MATERIALS item gives total activity in Bq, and the TOTAL ACTIVITY EXCLUDING TRITIUM is the total with tritium activity excluded. The HEAT PRODUCTION items are the sums over all materials of the respective α -, β - and γ -powers, the total of these three powers, and the total with the contribution of tritium decay excluded.

The NUMBER OF FISSIONS is a count of the change of the number of nuclides that may undergo fission from the number in the the initial inventory. These nuclides are identified as those with the MT = 18 reaction on their list of reactions (c.f., Table 21 on page 223). BURN-UP OF ACTINIDES gives the percentage of the initial number of fissionable nuclides that have been burnt up.

Note that NUMBER OF FISSIONS may become negative if, for example, there are no nuclides with MT=18 initially but ones are created by irradiation of the initial inventory. All nuclides with MT=18 reactions are counted, even if their reactions are excluded because **USEFISSION** is absent, or reactions are excluded by the **FISYIELD** keyword or reactions are excluded because their fission yield data are not available.

The remaining items in the summary list depend upon the use of the **ATWO**, **CLEAR** and **HAZARDS** keywords, and on whether the **DENSITY** keyword was used.

If the **ATWO** keyword is used in the input file, then table items TOTAL Bq/A2 RATIO

and EFFECTIVE A2 are displayed, where

$$\text{TOTAL Bq/A2 RATIO} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} \left(\frac{A_i}{A_{2,i} C_2} \right)$$

and EFFECTIVE A2 is the ratio of the total activity to (TOTAL Bq/A2 RATIO).

If the **CLEAR** keyword is used in the input file, then the A2 values are replaced by

$$\text{CLEARANCE INDEX} = \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} \left(\frac{A_i}{M_{tot} L_i} \right)$$

The **HAZARDS** keyword causes the total ingestion and inhalation doses, and the total doses excluding the contribution from tritium to be printed.

The **DENSITY** keyword causes the density (in g cm^{-3}) to be printed.

The following output fragment is from Tst_709/test120 using TENDL data that contains kerma, dpa and appm cross-sections (see Table 22). These output appear at this point in the output only for irradiation steps where there is a non-zero flux amplitude.

```
Total Displacement Rate (n, Ddiss) = 6.99657E+10 Displacements/sec = 6.65387E-12 Disp. Per Atom/sec = 2.09980E-04 DPA/year
Total Displacement Rate (n, Dinel) = 5.07841E+10 Displacements/sec = 4.82966E-12 Disp. Per Atom/sec = 1.52412E-04 DPA/year
Total Displacement Rate (n, Del ) = 6.16000E+10 Displacements/sec = 5.85827E-12 Disp. Per Atom/sec = 1.84873E-04 DPA/year
Total Displacement Rate (n, Dtot ) = 2.87985E+11 Displacements/sec = 2.73879E-11 Disp. Per Atom/sec = 8.64295E-04 DPA/year

KERMA RATE (n, Kktot) = 1.09945E+15 eV/sec = 1.76152E-04 kW/kg = 1.48320E-06 kW/cm^3
KERMA RATE (n, Kphot) = 6.01012E+14 eV/sec = 9.62927E-05 kW/kg = 8.10785E-07 kW/cm^3
KERMA RATE (n, Kfiss) = 0.00000E+00 eV/sec = 0.00000E+00 kW/kg = 0.00000E+00 kW/cm^3
KERMA RATE (n, Kinel) = 4.21677E+14 eV/sec = 6.75601E-05 kW/kg = 5.68856E-07 kW/cm^3
KERMA RATE (n, Knone) = 1.15177E+15 eV/sec = 1.84534E-04 kW/kg = 1.55378E-06 kW/cm^3
KERMA RATE (n, Kel ) = 1.20019E+13 eV/sec = 1.92292E-06 kW/kg = 1.61909E-08 kW/cm^3
KERMA RATE (n, Ktot ) = 1.16377E+15 eV/sec = 1.86457E-04 kW/kg = 1.56997E-06 kW/cm^3

GAS RATE (n, Xa ) = 1.00141E+07 atoms per sec = 9.52359E-10 appm/sec
GAS RATE (n, Xh ) = 4.96996E+02 atoms per sec = 4.72652E-14 appm/sec
GAS RATE (n, Xt ) = 2.10269E+03 atoms per sec = 1.99969E-13 appm/sec
GAS RATE (n, Xd ) = 1.12489E+06 atoms per sec = 1.06979E-10 appm/sec
GAS RATE (n, Xp ) = 6.80919E+07 atoms per sec = 6.47566E-09 appm/sec
```

The displacements per atom (DPA) for a single element is given by [30, Eq.(90)]. For mixtures of elements with different lattice displacement energies, the total displacements rate, D_{tot} may be estimated using the ratio of the mean total available energy to the mean displacement energy:

$$D_{tot} = e_d \phi \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} N_i \bar{d}_i / 2 \bar{E}_d \quad (1)$$

where ϕ is the flux amplitude in $\text{cm}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$, N_i is the number of atoms of nuclide i and \bar{d}_i is the collapsed dpa reaction cross-section in eV-cm^2 . The constant e_d is the DPA efficiency factor and is set to 80% [30, p. 2757]. A list of the dpa cross-sections recognised by FISPACT-II is given in Table 22.

Table 9: Atomic displacement energies used to compute DPA. E_d is 25 eV for all other elements.

Element	E_d in eV	Element	E_d in eV
Be	31	Co	40
C	31	Ni	40
Mg	25	Cu	40
Al	27	Zr	40
Si	25	Nb	40
Ca	40	Mo	60
Ti	40	Ag	60
V	40	Ta	90
Cr	40	W	55
Mn	40	Au	30
Fe	40	Pb	25

The mean atomic displacement energy \bar{E}_d is given by

$$\bar{E}_d = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_n} N_i E_d(Z_i)}{\sum_{i=1}^{N_n} N_i} \quad (2)$$

Z_i is the atomic number of nuclide i and E_d are atomic displacement energies (in eV) taken from Table II of Reference[30], with the exception of the value 55 eV used for tungsten (see Table 9), which is taken from [31].

Alternatively, the displacement rate may be estimated using the mean of the displacement rates of the constituents:

$$D_{tot} = e_d \phi \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} N_i \bar{d}_i / 2E_d(Z_i) \quad (3)$$

Both options have been evaluated and have been shown to give similar results. Equation (3) is used in the present version of FISPACT-II.

The displacements per atom is given by dividing this by the total number of atoms:

$$\text{DPA RATE} = D_{tot} / \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} N_i \quad (4)$$

The kinetic energy released in materials rates are given by

$$\text{KERMA RATE} = \phi \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} N_i \bar{\kappa}_i \quad (5)$$

where $\bar{\kappa}_i$ is the collapsed kerma cross-section for one of the kerma cross-sections listed in Table 22. Specific values of this energy per kilogram and per cm^3 are obtained by scaling the total kerma using the initial mass and density.

Gas production rates (in s^{-1}) are given by

$$\text{GAS RATE} = \phi \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} N_i \bar{\sigma}_i^{gas} \quad (6)$$

where $\bar{\sigma}_i^{gas}$ is the collapsed total gas production cross-section in cm^2 . A list of the total gas production cross-sections recognised by the code is given in Table 22 on page 226. If there is gas production from decays, then there will be corresponding rates (e.g., GAS RATE (a decay)) printed.

If any of the kerma, dpa or gas appm rates are zero, then their production rates are not printed.

The final part of the summary output table is the gas atoms parts per million for the five secondary gas nuclides:

```

APPM OF He 4 = 2.8571E-07
APPM OF He 3 = 1.4180E-11
APPM OF H 3 = 5.9991E-11
APPM OF H 2 = 3.2094E-08
APPM OF H 1 = 1.9427E-06

```

5.1.5 Elemental inventory

The composition of material by element is the next table displayed. The column headings for this are: number of atoms of the element, number of gram-atoms, number of grams, β power output (Curie-MeV and kW), γ power output (Curie-MeV and kW) and α power output (Curie-MeV and kW).

COMPOSITION OF MATERIAL BY ELEMENT										
		ATOMS	GRAM-ATOMS	GRAMS	BETA CURIES-MeV kW		GAMMA CURIES-MeV kW		ALPHA CURIES-MeV kW	
1	H	2.0766E+10	3.4482E-14	3.5318E-14	1.7334E-16	1.0276E-21	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00
2	He	3.0044E+09	4.9889E-15	1.9968E-14	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00
22	Ti	2.1825E+08	3.6241E-16	1.7711E-14	6.2424E-08	3.7005E-13	2.6189E-08	1.5525E-13	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00
23	V	9.4118E+08	1.5629E-15	7.9552E-14	2.6319E-05	1.5602E-10	3.5726E-05	2.1178E-10	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00
24	Cr	1.8496E+21	3.0714E-03	1.5970E-01	2.8493E-07	1.6891E-12	6.2813E-08	3.7236E-13	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00
25	Mn	4.2751E+19	7.0989E-05	3.9000E-03	7.1260E-07	4.2243E-12	8.8035E-07	5.2187E-12	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00
26	Fe	8.4328E+20	1.4003E-03	7.8200E-02	1.0757E-07	6.3770E-13	1.2886E-07	7.6389E-13	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00
27	Co	1.7758E+10	2.9488E-14	1.6949E-12	4.2516E-06	2.5204E-11	3.6646E-06	2.1724E-11	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00
28	Ni	7.7794E+21	1.2918E-02	7.5820E-01	1.4220E-08	8.4299E-14	1.7238E-07	1.0219E-12	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00
29	Cu	3.0080E+03	4.9950E-21	3.2431E-19	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00	0.0000E+00

5.1.6 Gamma spectrum

In this section the total powers ($MeV s^{-1}$) from α , β and γ radiations and the total number of spontaneous fission neutrons are listed followed by two columns giving the γ spectrum ($MeV s^{-1}$ per group) and number of gammas per group ($cm^{-3} s^{-1}$) in either a 24- or 22-group form, depending on the parameter used for **GROUP**.

GAMMA SPECTRUM AND ENERGIES/SECOND			
EUTRONS PER SECOND ARISING FROM SPONTANEOUS FISSION	0.00000E+00	Entered density (g/cc)	8.42
POWER FROM ALPHA PARTICLES (MeV per Second)	0.00000E+00		
POWER FROM BETA PARTICLES (MeV per Second)	1.17485E+06		
TOTAL GAMMA POWER FROM ACTIVATION (MeV per Second)	1.50445E+06	Total gammas (per cc per s)	1.16192E+07
GAMMA RAY POWER FROM ACTIVATION DECAY MeV/s	(0.00- 0.01 MeV) 1.06093E+03	Gammas per group (per cc per s)	1.78661E+06
	(0.01- 0.02 MeV) 1.42317E+01		7.98872E+03
	(0.02- 0.05 MeV) 4.70931E-01		1.13292E+02
	(0.05- 0.10 MeV) 8.70788E+02		9.77604E+04
	(0.10- 0.20 MeV) 4.05257E+02		2.27484E+04
	(0.20- 0.30 MeV) 3.46709E+02		1.16772E+04
	...		
	(10.00-12.00 MeV) 0.00000E+00		0.00000E+00
	(12.00-14.00 MeV) 0.00000E+00		0.00000E+00
	(14.00-20.00 MeV) 0.00000E+00		0.00000E+00

The total dose rate is then given in one of two forms depending on the **DOSE** parameter; these two outputs are for contact dose from a semi-infinite slab of the material (PLANE SOURCE, see Equation (60) on page 237)) and for the dose from a point source at a specified distance (POINT SOURCE, see Equation (63) on page 238).

SE RATE (PLANE SOURCE) FROM GAMMAS WITH ENERGY 0-20 MeV IS	4.30402E-01 Sieverts/hour (4.30402E+01 Rems/hour)
--	--

If most of the dose rate is produced by nuclides with approximate γ -spectra then the following warning message will be given:

*** WARNING : >20% OF DOSE FROM NUCLIDES WITH NO SPECTRAL DATA. TREAT
 DOSE AND GAMMA SPECTRUM WITH CAUTION ***

5.1.7 Dominant nuclides

At each step the inventory is sorted into descending order of radiological quantities and tables of nuclides at the tops of these lists are printed (see, **SORTDOMINANT** keyword). In all cases, dominant nuclides, as measured by activity, total heat production, dose rate, gamma heating and beta heating are displayed. If the **HAZARDS** keyword is used, nuclides are also sorted by ingestion and inhalation dose, and **CLEAR** adds columns with sorting by clearance index.

DOMINANT NUCLIDES												
	NUCLIDE	ACTIVITY	PERCENT	NUCLIDE	HEAT	PERCENT	NUCLIDE	DOSE RATE	PERCENT	NUCLIDE	INGESTION	PERCENT
		(Bq)	ACTIVITY		(kW)	HEAT		(Sv/hr)	DOSE RATE		(Sv)	INGESTION
	Total	1.2507E+14		Total	3.6006E-02		Total	5.6310E+04		Total	1.3853E+05	
1	Sc 48	4.3656E+13	34.91E+00	Sc 48	2.4964E-02	69.33E+00	Sc 48	4.1357E+04	73.45E+00	Sc 48	7.4216E+04	53.57E+00
2	Sc 46	2.4682E+13	19.73E+00	Sc 46	8.3894E-03	23.30E+00	Sc 46	1.3625E+04	24.20E+00	Sc 46	3.7023E+04	26.73E+00
3	Ca 45	1.9657E+13	15.72E+00	Sc 47	8.4082E-04	23.35E-01	Sc 50	5.4522E+02	96.83E-02	Ca 45	1.3956E+04	10.07E+00
4	Sc 47	1.9369E+13	15.49E+00	Sc 50	4.6108E-04	12.81E-01	Ti 45	3.2266E+02	57.30E-02	Sc 47	1.0459E+04	75.50E-01

5.1.8 Bremsstrahlung correction

If the **BREMSSTRAHLUNG** keyword is used, then the Bremsstrahlung correction to the gamma dose is calculated using either plane or point source formulae (see Appendix C.7.4 for details) and are printed as shown below for fispQA test116 within the Tst_709 folder.

```

--- THE BREMSSTRAHLUNG CORRECTIONS ARE CALCULATED FOR AN INFINITE PLANE SOURCE ---

Bremsstrahlung dose rate from Ar 39 is 8.68701E-08 Sv/h ( 8.68701E-06 Rems/h). This is 1.50849E-10% of the total dose rate.
Bremsstrahlung dose rate from Ar 42 is 1.99365E-06 Sv/h ( 1.99365E-04 Rems/h). This is 3.46196E-09% of the total dose rate.
Bremsstrahlung dose rate from K 42 is 1.17442E-01 Sv/h ( 1.17442E+01 Rems/h). This is 2.03937E-04% of the total dose rate.
Bremsstrahlung dose rate from Cl 38 is 3.41852E-06 Sv/h ( 3.41852E-04 Rems/h). This is 5.93623E-09% of the total dose rate.

```

5.1.9 Sensitivity output

The **SENSITIVITY** keyword causes the generation of summary sensitivity output in the output file and full details are sent to the sens output file to allow further post-processing. The summary output for fispQA Tst_709mc test106 is shown below.

The first part of the sensitivity output summarises the irradiation steps over which the sensitivity calculation is performed (i.e., all steps before the **ZERO** keyword in the input file.) In the summary output for test106 shown below, there is only one irradiation step, but more generally a table of the steps is displayed (c.f., pathways output below). This is followed by a summary of the number of sample calculations, the number of parent-daughter pairs, the number of nuclides to be output and the type of analysis.

```

S E N S I T I V I T Y   A N A L Y S I S   F O R   I R R A D I A T I O N   P H A S E
=====
no of steps      =      1
irradiation time = 7.88940E+07 secs
flux             = 7.12111E+14 n/cm**2/s

Number of samples =      50
Number of pd edges =      5
Number of nuclides =      5
Sensitivity to cross-section errors

```

Next are tables of the parent-daughter pair properties, a list of the nuclides whose sensitivities are being evaluated and the type of distribution (and distribution cutoff) assumed for the Monte-Carlo calculations.

```

Base cross section data
index      parent          daughter          sigma      sigma_unc
  i  zai  nuc_no  name  i  zai  nuc_no  name  cm**2
1  922380  3561  U 238      0   -1  Fission  0.52172E-24  0.20000
2  922350  3557  U 235      0   -1  Fission  0.14328E-23  0.58665E-02

```

```

3 260540 525 Fe 54 250540 495 Mn 54 0.13939E-24 0.77634E-01
4 260560 527 Fe 56 250540 495 Mn 54 0.39888E-26 0.19064
5 260560 527 Fe 56 250560 497 Mn 56 0.18619E-25 0.66015E-01

Output nuclides
j zai nuc_no name
1 250560 497 Mn 56
2 250540 495 Mn 54
3 240510 465 Cr 51
4 501291 1567 Sn129m
5 541330 1750 Xe133

Lognormal, with log(x) cutoff = [ -3.0000 , 3.0000 ] std dev

```

The summary output tables give the input and output mean and fractional standard deviations of reaction (or decay) rates and the resulting output inventory means and fractional uncertainties. The final summary output tables give values of the Pearson correlation coefficients that are above the threshold specified by the keyword argument *xnsens1* (See also Appendix C.8 on page 241).

```

i parent daughter sigma_base sigma_unc_base sigma_mean sigma_unc
1 U 238 Fission 5.21717E-25 2.00000E-01 5.39449E-25 2.07907E-01
2 U 235 Fission 1.43283E-24 5.86653E-03 1.43297E-24 5.41233E-03
3 Fe 54 Mn 54 1.39385E-25 7.76336E-02 1.38684E-25 8.71147E-02
4 Fe 56 Mn 54 3.98877E-27 1.90637E-01 3.91842E-27 1.78820E-01
5 Fe 56 Mn 56 1.86190E-26 6.60151E-02 1.86837E-26 7.06533E-02

j nuclide atoms_base atoms_mean atoms_unc error_atoms
1 Mn 56 1.77184E+18 1.77791E+18 6.96795E-02 1.23884E+17
2 Mn 54 3.09116E+21 3.06396E+21 6.95873E-02 2.13212E+20
3 Cr 51 3.19776E+19 3.19785E+19 4.85764E-04 1.55340E+16
4 Sn129m 3.66807E+09 3.76614E+09 1.81444E-01 6.83344E+08
5 Xe133 4.07428E+13 4.18455E+13 1.83225E-01 7.66712E+12

Correlation coefficients
j\i 1 2 3 4 5
1 - - - - - - - - - - - - - 1.00000E+00
2 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
3 - - - - - - - - - - -9.99646E-01 - - - - -
4 9.99836E-01 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -
5 9.99842E-01 - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - - -

```

5.1.10 Uncertainty estimates

Sensitivity analysis provides uncertainties from an ensemble of calculations. A faster approach is to use a sum of squares estimate from the errors in reactions on the pathways from the initial inventory to the dominant nuclides at the end of the irradiation phase (see Appendix C.10). The uncertainty estimates of the form shown in the next output extract are computed from pathways for an **UNCERTAINTY** keyword parameter of 1 or 3. Presented first for each of the dominant nuclide categories are total values and their uncertainties:

```

                                UNCERTAINTY ESTIMATES (cross sections only)
                                -----
Uncertainty estimates are based on pathway analysis for the irradiation phase
Total Activity is      1.54150E+06 +/- 1.31E+05 Bq.      Error is 8.51E+00 % of the total.
Total Heat Production is 4.29270E-10 +/- 3.34E-11 kW.      Error is 7.78E+00 % of the total.
Total Gamma Dose Rate is 4.30402E-01 +/- 3.45E-02 Sv/hr.      Error is 8.02E+00 % of the total.

```

```

Total Ingestion Dose is 3.33217E-04 +/- 4.27E-05 Sv.      Error is 1.28E+01 % of the total.
Total Inhalation Dose is 2.70603E-04 +/- 3.52E-05 Sv.    Error is 1.30E+01 % of the total.
Total Gamma Heat Prod is 2.41039E-10 +/- 1.92E-11 kW.   Error is 7.97E+00 % of the total.
Total Beta Heat Prod is 1.88231E-10 +/- 1.43E-11 kW.    Error is 7.60E+00 % of the total.

```

This is followed by a table showing values and uncertainties for the dominant nuclides:

Nuclide	Atoms	E(Atoms)	Activity	E(Activity)	Heat	E(Heat)	Dose Rate	E(Dose Rate)	Ingest	E(Ingest)	Inhale	...
V 52	2.66983E+08	2.64E+07	8.236E+05	8.15E+04	3.316E-10	3.28E-11	3.433E-01	3.40E-02	1.153E-05	1.14E-06	7.577E-06	...
Co 62	7.89610E+06	1.09E+06	6.081E+04	8.37E+03	3.157E-11	4.34E-12	2.794E-02	3.85E-03	3.101E-04	4.27E-05	2.554E-04	...
V 53	1.15796E+07	7.55E+05	8.258E+04	5.38E+03	2.708E-11	1.76E-12	2.350E-02	1.53E-03	4.046E-07	2.64E-08	2.973E-07	...
Mn 56	2.43338E+08	2.39E+07	1.814E+04	1.78E+03	7.358E-12	7.22E-13	8.878E-03	8.71E-04	4.536E-06	4.45E-07	2.177E-06	...
Co 60m	3.98237E+08	9.24E+07	4.394E+05	1.02E+05	4.398E-12	1.02E-12	5.739E-04	1.33E-04	7.470E-07	1.73E-07	6.152E-07	...

Note that uncertainties that drop to zero are usually indicate that important pathways are being ignored. The **SORTDOMINANT**, **LOOKAHEAD** and **PATHRESET** keywords can be used to deal with this problem (c.f., Section 4.86).

5.1.11 Pathways

Pathways analysis is initiated by the **UNCERTAINTY** keyword, and is performed over all steps preceding the **ZERO** keyword (the irradiation phase). The initial pathways output summarises the steps over which the pathways calculations are performed, and the criteria used in pruning the tree search for paths. The example below (from `test65`) shows three irradiation steps, each with a different time interval, flux amplitude and neutron spectrum (as indicated by the `rateeq` number). In examples where the flux amplitudes vary but the same collapsed cross-sections are used throughout (e.g., `test18`), the `rateeq` number remains unchanged:

```

          PATHWAY ANALYSIS FOR IRRADIATION PHASE
          -----
number of steps = 3
irradiation time = 2.63952E+06 secs

step   start   end      delta-t   flux   rateeq
number sec     sec      sec      n/cm^2/s number
  2  0.00000E+00 5.27818E-01 5.27818E-01 2.59032E+14 1
  3  5.27818E-01 5.27818E+05 5.27817E+05 2.64634E+14 2
  4  5.27818E+05 2.63952E+06 2.11170E+06 2.66930E+14 3

path floor = 5.00000E-01% of target inventory
loop floor = 1.00000E+00% of path inventory
max depth  = 10 (maximum number of edges between source and target)

```

Pathways are given in order of decreasing dominance of target nuclide as ordered in the dominant nuclide tables above. Pathways are retained if they contribute more than the `path floor` percentage of the number of target atoms given by the full rate equation solution for the time interval. Loops are retained in a pathway if they contribute

more than the loop floor percentage of the number of target atoms created along the pathway. The max depth is the maximum number of parent-daughter pairs (edges) that are considered in a path. Pathways are analysed between the nuclides of the initial material being irradiated (source nuclides) and the target nuclides. The target nuclides are those on the merged dominant nuclides list at the end of the irradiation. If the LOOKAHEAD keyword is used, then nuclides that appear on the merged dominant nuclide list at later steps in the cooling phase are added to the list. The number of target nuclides included in the calculation may be altered by changing the value of topxx using the SORTDOMINANT keyword.

Source Nuclides									
Cr 50	Cr 52	Cr 53	Cr 54	Mn 55	Fe 54	Fe 56	Fe 57	Fe 58	Ni 58
Ni 60	Ni 61	Ni 62	Ni 64						
Target Nuclides									
V 52	Co 62	V 53	Mn 56	Co 60m	Co 62m	V 54	Ni 57	Co 64	Co 58m
Cr 49	Mn 57	Co 61	Fe 61	Ti 51	Fe 53	Co 58	Cr 55	Co 63	Co 57
Mn 58	Mn 58m	Cr 51	Co 60	Fe 55	Fe 59				

The pathways calculation prints lists of all significant paths and loops ordered by target nuclide. The first line for each target nuclide gives the nuclide name and the percentage of the total number of atoms given by the number of significant paths shown. The first line for each pathway identifies a path or loop, gives its number and its respective percentage contribution to the target nuclide inventory. The remainder of the line gives the nuclides on the path (or loop) from source to target, and the type of graph edge joining them. Edge types (r,R), (d,D) and (b,B) respectively denote reaction, decay and combined reaction and decay edges from short (lower case) and long lived (upper case) parents. L and S denote short and long lived target nuclides. Short-lived nuclides have half lives less than the time interval and long-lived have half lives greater.

```

Target nuclide Co 61      99.991% of inventory given by 3 paths
-----
path 1  77.158% Ni 61 ---(R)--- Co 61 ---(L)---
                100.00%(n,p)

path 2  21.779% Ni 62 ---(R)--- Co 61 ---(L)---
                68.57%(n,np)
                31.43%(n,d)

path 3  1.053% Ni 64 ---(R)--- Fe 61 ---(D)--- Co 61 ---(L)---
                100.00%(n,a)   100.00%(b-)
  
```

Shown below each edge is a list giving the percentage contributions that each reaction and decay make towards the total rate for the edge for primary products. If the edge daughter is a secondary then the isomeric state of the primary product of the reaction or decay is also displayed. Significant loops are displayed directly after their path, with the percentages of their part of the total path percentage.

5.1.12 Generic pathways

All pathways differing only by an isomeric decay (IT) edge are regarded as the same generic pathway and are shown in the generic pathways list. Individual pathways with details of the reactions and decays on each edge may be found by referring to the individual pathways. The generic pathway (path) displays a path number, the percentage of the target nuclide atoms generated along the pathway and the source to target edges. Below each path is a statement of the number of individual pathways combined to create the generic pathway.

```

Target nuclide Sc 46      97.564% of inventory given by  3 paths
-----
path 1  87.893% Ti 46 ---(R)--- Sc 46 ---(S)---
This generic pathway is the sum of  2 pathways

path 2   9.124% Ti 47 ---(R)--- Sc 46 ---(S)---
This generic pathway is the sum of  2 pathways

```

5.1.13 Run summary

At the end of a run, tables are printed containing the total values for each time interval. The intervals are listed as 'Irradiation Phase' or 'Cooling Phase' in the most appropriate unit (sec, min, days) and cumulatively in years. Six columns present Activity (Bq), Dose rate (Sv/h), Heat output (kW), Ingestion dose (Sv), Inhalation dose (Sv) and Tritium activity (Bq). For all except the latter the estimated uncertainty is also given.

If the **SPLIT** keyword is used with parameter 1, then a second summary table containing Beta Heat (kW), Gamma Heat (kW), Mean Beta Energy (MeV), and Mean Gamma Energy (MeV) is printed. For all quantities the estimated uncertainty is also given.

Time (step)	Cumulative (Years)	Activity (Bq)	Dose rate (Sv/h)	Heat output (kW)	Ingestion dose (Sv)	...
-----Irradiation Phase-----...						
Irradn 5.000 m	9.51E-06	1.54E+06 +/-	8.5%	4.30E-01 +/-	8.0%	4.29E-10 +/- 7.8% 3.33E-04 +/- 12.8% ...
-----Cooling Phase-----...						
Cooling 36.000 s	1.14E-06	1.40E+06 +/-	8.8%	3.79E-01 +/-	8.1%	3.75E-10 +/- 7.9% 2.62E-04 +/- 12.6% ...
Cooling 15.000 s	1.62E-06	1.34E+06 +/-	8.9%	3.59E-01 +/-	8.2%	3.56E-10 +/- 8.0% 2.36E-04 +/- 12.5% ...
Cooling 16.000 s	2.12E-06	1.29E+06 +/-	9.0%	3.40E-01 +/-	8.2%	3.36E-10 +/- 8.1% 2.10E-04 +/- 12.4% ...
Cooling 15.000 s	2.60E-06	1.24E+06 +/-	9.1%	3.22E-01 +/-	8.3%	3.19E-10 +/- 8.1% 1.89E-04 +/- 12.3% ...
...						
Cooling 7.133 m	6.58E-05	1.23E+05 +/-	9.1%	1.20E-02 +/-	7.2%	1.05E-11 +/- 6.9% 8.89E-06 +/- 5.7% ...
Cooling 10.100 m	8.51E-05	9.79E+04 +/-	7.1%	1.04E-02 +/-	7.4%	8.98E-12 +/- 7.2% 8.52E-06 +/- 5.8% ...
Cooling 10.117 m	1.04E-04	8.47E+04 +/-	6.1%	9.58E-03 +/-	7.5%	8.17E-12 +/- 7.4% 8.24E-06 +/- 5.8% ...
Mass of material input = 1.0000E-03 kg. Material density = 8.42 g/cc						
Total irradiation time = 3.000000E+02 s						
Total fluence = 3.348000E+12 n/cm2						
Mean flux = 1.116000E+10 n/cm2/s						
Number of on-times = 1						
fispact run time= 1.3953 secs						

The final section of the output file contains QA information that displays a list of all the external files used during the run, and run timestamps.

```
-----  
Files that have been opened during this run.  
-----  
The numbers after the unit names are the internal unit numbers.  
  
input( 5)      inventory.i  
graph(10)     inventory.gra  
collapxi(12)  COLLAPX  
arrayx(13)    ARRAYX  
hazards(14)   ../../ENDFdata/decay/hazards_2012  
gnuplot(15)   inventory.plt  
ind_nuc(18)   ../../ENDFdata/TENDL2014data/tendl14_decay12_index  
output(38)    inventory.out  
absorp(39)    ../../ENDFdata/abs_2012  
runlog(48)    inventory.log  
-----  
  
Run timestamp:09:26:29 26 August 2015  
Current time: 09:26:30 26 August 2015
```

5.2 The Inventory Run `runlog` File

The `runlog` file contains the run monitoring and error logging data from a FISPACT-II run. The first part gives the name of the log file, the run timestamp, the files file name, the fileroot and a list of the file mappings specified in the files file.

```
LOG FILE: inventory.log  
  
09:26:29 26 August 2015  
  
Log  : FILES file = files  
Log  : fileroot   = inventory  
  
-----  
Files specified by the FILES file and fileroot for this run.  
-----  
The numbers after the unit names are the internal unit numbers.  
  
input( 5)      inventory.i  
graph(10)     inventory.gra  
a2data(11)    ../../ENDFdata/decay/a2_2012  
collapxi(12)  COLLAPX  
arrayx(13)    ARRAYX  
...  
...  
...
```

A copy of the run monitoring information (see **MONITOR** keyword) is written to the `runlog`. Settings keywords are simply echoed, and action keywords (e.g., **ATOMS**) are followed by summary messages for the actions they initiate.

```
CLOBBER
GETXS 0
GETDECAY 0
FISPACT
* FNS 5 Minutes Inconel-600
  load cross-sections
  load decay data
  collapse fission yields
  run reset cross-section
DENSITY 8.42
MASS 1.0E-3 4
NI 75.82
MN 0.39
FE 7.82
CR 15.97
MIND 1E3
GRAPH 1 2 1
3
UNCERTAINTY 2
HALF
HAZARDS
  load hazards data
FLUX 1.116E+10
ATOMS
  load initial values
  run output inventory
TIME 5.0
  fill rate equation matrix for cooling
  fill rate equation matrix for irradiation
  start pathstep recording
  initialise dominant analysis
  test for gas, kerma and dpa data
MINS
ATOMS
  run add rateeq for pathways
  run irradiation init
  run irradiation step
  run add pathstep
  run output inventory
FLUX 0.
ZERO
TIME 36
ATOMS
  run pathways initialisation
  run pathways uncertainty
Log : Target nuclide = Co 62
Log :      inventory contribution = 1.00943845E+02 %
00001: Warning: pathways_m:pathways_output: 1:
      inventory sum from paths > 100% inventory from full rate equation
      reduce main or path TOLERANCE parameters for better accuracy
  run cooling step
  run add pathstep
  run output inventory
  run pathways uncertainty
TIME 15
```



```
ATOMS
  run cooling step
  run add pathstep
  run output inventory
  run pathways uncertainty
TIME 16
ATOMS
  run cooling step
  run add pathstep
  run output inventory
  run pathways uncertainty
...
TIME 246
ATOMS
  run cooling step
  run add pathstep
  run output inventory
  run pathways uncertainty
TIME 428
ATOMS
  run cooling step
  run add pathstep
  run output inventory
  run pathways uncertainty
TIME 606
ATOMS
  run cooling step
  run add pathstep
  run output inventory
  run pathways uncertainty
TIME 607
ATOMS
  run cooling step
  run add pathstep
  run output inventory
  run pathways uncertainty
END
* END
  run output summary
  run closedown
  deallocate and closedown
```

The runlog will also comment on tolerance issues within the pathway calculations. While these do not affect the convergence of the overall inventory simulation, a lack of convergence in pathway analysis manifests as total % contributions above 100%, which for this simulation is triggered on the ^{62}Co .

The QA information on files used that was written to the output file is also written for cross-reference to the runlog file, followed by a cpu timing summary of the major program components:

```
Log :                fispact run time =  1.3953      secs
```

```

Log :          rateeq_init_flux = 0.35100E-03 secs
Log :          rateeq_irrad_step = 0.36636      secs
Log :          rateeq_cool_step  = 0.59174E-01 secs
Log :          output_inventory_step = 0.74564E-01 secs
Log :          pathways_step     = 0.63360E-02 secs
Log :          sensitivity_step   = 0.0000      secs

```

Error Summary

```

-----
total number of errors/warnings =      5
number of serious errors/warnings =     0
09:26:30 26 August 2015

END OF LOG FILE

```

In runs where errors are flagged, output of the following form (taken from test10) is displayed

```

00001: Warning: output_m: output_inventory: 1:
      >20% of dose from nuclides with no spectral data

```

The first line is the error message identifier. It comprises five fields, each terminated by a colon. These fields are

- 1 error number
- 2 error severity
- 3 module
- 4 subprogram
- 5 point

There are six error severities, only three of which are of concern to users:

Fatal	Close down immediately
Serious	Close down if 10 or more serious errors
Warning	Flag information to user

The module, subprogram and point identifiers uniquely identify the line in the code from which the error message was issued. Each error message has between one and three lines of descriptive information.

In some cases, values relevant to error messages are output in the lines preceding the error message. These take the form Log : name = value:

```

Log : projectile =          2
00001: Fatal   : rundata_m:read_lib_keys: 7:

```

```

NOERROR keyword needed for projectile /=1

FATAL ERROR - run terminated
  
```

5.3 The Printlib Run output File

The printlib output consists of the six blocks of data illustrated below. These are selected by the **PRINTLIB** keyword as described in Section 4.58 on page 94.

5.3.1 Decay data

The summary of the decay data for each nuclide is printed with thirteen nuclides listed per page. For each nuclide its internal identifier number, the decay constant λ (s^{-1}) and the half-life in appropriate units (for stable nuclides ***** is printed) are given, followed by the number of spontaneous fission neutrons per second and the number of neutrons from (α ,n) reactions. The average energies for α , β and γ decays (shown as <ALPHA>, <BETA> and <GAMMA>) in MeV and the γ energy (MeV) in each of the 24 groups follow. The independent fission yield (%) from each of the fissionable nuclides is then given.

IMAT. NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	...
ISOTOPE	H 1	H 2	H 3	H 4	H 5	H 6	...
LAMBDA	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	1.781E-09	4.987E+21	7.617E+20	2.390E+21	...
OHALF-LIFE	*****	*****	12.330 y	0.000ps	0.000ps	0.000ps	...
...							
SP.FISS n/s	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
(a,n) n	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
<ALPHA>	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	2.879E+00	1.798E+00	1.797E+00	...
<BETA>	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	5.707E-03	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
<GAMMA>	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
GAMMA GROUP 1	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
GAMMA GROUP 2	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
.....							
GAMMA GROUP 23	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
GAMMA GROUP 24	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
...							
Ac222mFIS YIELD	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
Ac229 FIS YIELD	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
Ac230 FIS YIELD	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...
Ac231 FIS YIELD	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	0.000E+00	...

5.3.2 Branching ratios

The second block gives percentage branching ratios for each decay mode of the radionuclides. The parent and daughter nuclides are given with a code representing the decay between them. These codes are summarised in Table 19 on page 221.

PERCENTAGE BRANCHING RATIOS									
H 3 (b-)	He 3	1.000E+02	H 4 (n)	H 3	1.000E+02	H 5 (2n)	...		
H 6 (3n)	H 3	5.000E+01	H 7 (2n)	H 5	1.000E+02	He 5 (n)	...		
He 7 (n)	He 6	1.000E+02	He 8 (b-)	Li 8	8.800E+01	He 8 (b-n)	...		
He 10 (2n)	He 8	1.000E+02	Li 4 (p)	He 3	1.000E+02	Li 5 (p)	...		
Li 9 (b-)	Be 9	5.050E+01	Li 9 (b-n)	Be 8	4.950E+01	Li 10 (n)	...		
Li 11 (b-n)	Be 10	8.490E+01	Li 11 (b-2n)	Be 9	4.100E+00	Li 11 (b-3n)	...		
Be 5 (p)	Li 4	1.000E+02	Be 6 (pp)	He 4	1.000E+02	Be 7 (b+)	...		
Be 10 (b-)	B 10	1.000E+02	Be 11 (b-)	B 11	9.700E+01	Be 11 (b-a)	...		
...									
...									

5.3.3 Cross-sections

The third section gives the effective cross-section obtained by collapsing with the neutron spectrum followed by the percentage error obtained by collapsing the cross-section uncertainties. Note that if there are no uncertainty data in the library then the keyword **NOERROR** switches the output in this section to include only the cross-section. The parent and daughter nuclides are given with a code representing the reaction between them. The cross-section codes are listed in Table 21 on page 223 and the diagnostic cross-section codes are given in Table 22 on page 226.

CROSS SECTIONS IN BARNS									
The cross section for the specified reaction is given in barns, followed by the error in percent.									
H 1 (n,Xd)	6.382E-05+-0.0E+00	H 1 (n,total)	1.041E+00+-0.0E+00	H 1 (n,E)	H 1 ...				
H 2 (n,Xp)	1.531E-01+-0.0E+00	H 2 (n,Xt)	9.160E-06+-0.0E+00	H 2 (n,total)	...				
H 2 (n,2n)	H 1 1.531E-01+-0.0E+00	H 2 (n,E)	H 2 7.863E-01+-3.7E+00	H 2 (n,g)	H 3 ...				
H 3 (n,total)	1.035E+00+-0.0E+00	H 3 (n,2n)	H 2 4.319E-02+-0.0E+00	H 3 (n,E)	H 3 ...				
He 3 (n,Xd)	1.386E-01+-0.0E+00	He 3 (n,Xt)	7.054E-01+-0.0E+00	He 3 (n,Xa)	...				
He 3 (n,d)	H 2 6.932E-02+-0.0E+00	He 3 (n,p)	H 3 7.054E-01+-0.0E+00	He 3 (n,E)	He 3 ...				
He 4 (n,total)	1.212E+00+-0.0E+00	He 4 (n,E)	He 4 1.212E+00+-2.7E-01	Li 6 (n,Xp)	...				
Li 6 (n,Xt)	1.783E-01+-0.0E+00	Li 6 (n,Xa)	1.783E-01+-0.0E+00	Li 6 (n,total)	...				
Li 6 (n,a)	H 3 3.905E-02+-8.4E+00	Li 6 (n,t)	He 4 1.390E-01+-4.6E+00	Li 6 (n,d)	He 5 ...				
...									
...									

5.3.4 Bremsstrahlung candidates

The fourth section contains the table of Bremsstrahlung candidates using the criteria described in Appendix C.7.4. The user may select nuclides from this table for input with the **BREMSSTRAHLUNG** keyword.

BREMSSTRAHLUNG CANDIDATES							
NUCLIDE	AV BETA (MeV)	AV GAMMA (MeV)	NUCLIDE	AV BETA (MeV)	AV GAMMA (MeV)	NUCLIDE	AV BETA (MeV) ...

```

HALF LIFE < 1 DAY...
He 6 1.5613E+00 5.6441E-03 He 8 4.4486E+00 8.8497E-01 Li 8 6.2046E+00 ...
Li 9 5.6963E+00 2.9896E-02 Be 11 4.6473E+00 1.4188E+00 Be 12 5.6150E+00 ...
B 12 6.3084E+00 9.0564E-02 B 13 6.2783E+00 3.1353E-01 B 14 7.0847E+00 ...
N 12 7.7285E+00 1.1906E+00 N 17 1.6978E+00 4.4508E-02 O 19 1.7096E+00 ...
O 20 1.1974E+00 1.0574E+00 F 20 2.4673E+00 1.6447E+00 F 21 2.3418E+00 ...
...
...
  
```

5.3.5 Projectile spectrum

This table shows the energy bin boundaries and the flux in each bin for the neutron spectrum used to collapse the cross section library. The available energy groups are tabulated in Appendix A.8.

NEUTRON SPECTRUM							
Group index	Upper energy	Lower energy	Flux	Group index	Upper energy	Lower energy	Flux
1	1.000000E+09	9.600000E+08	0.000000E+00	356	1.202264E+02	1.148154E+02	1.01490E+05
2	9.600000E+08	9.200000E+08	0.000000E+00	357	1.148154E+02	1.096478E+02	1.01500E+05
3	9.200000E+08	8.800000E+08	0.000000E+00	358	1.096478E+02	1.047129E+02	1.01490E+05
4	8.800000E+08	8.400000E+08	0.000000E+00	359	1.047129E+02	1.000000E+02	9.59280E+04
5	8.400000E+08	8.000000E+08	0.000000E+00	360	1.000000E+02	9.549926E+01	8.16560E+04
6	8.000000E+08	7.600000E+08	0.000000E+00	361	9.549926E+01	9.120108E+01	8.16570E+04
7	7.600000E+08	7.200000E+08	0.000000E+00	362	9.120108E+01	8.709636E+01	8.16560E+04
8	7.200000E+08	6.800000E+08	0.000000E+00	363	8.709636E+01	8.317638E+01	8.16560E+04
9	6.800000E+08	6.400000E+08	0.000000E+00	364	8.317638E+01	7.943282E+01	8.16560E+04
10	6.400000E+08	6.000000E+08	0.000000E+00	365	7.943282E+01	7.585776E+01	9.29510E+04
...							
350	1.584893E+02	1.513561E+02	1.14350E+05	705	1.258925E-05	1.202264E-05	0.000000E+00
351	1.513561E+02	1.445440E+02	1.14350E+05	706	1.202264E-05	1.148154E-05	0.000000E+00
352	1.445440E+02	1.380384E+02	1.14350E+05	707	1.148154E-05	1.096478E-05	0.000000E+00
353	1.380384E+02	1.318257E+02	1.14350E+05	708	1.096478E-05	1.047129E-05	0.000000E+00
354	1.318257E+02	1.258925E+02	1.05230E+05	709	1.047129E-05	1.000000E-05	0.000000E+00
355	1.258925E+02	1.202264E+02	1.01500E+05				

Spectrum type is CCFE-709
 flux spectrum_identifier is Position #3 Normalization Factor 3.042e+11 TOT=1.11679E+10

5.3.6 Decay spectral lines

Decay spectral lines are listed for unstable nuclides. The decay type (Table 19 on page 221) and spectrum type (Table 20 on page 222), line energy and line intensity for all unstable nuclides are displayed where data are available (now available with the **PRINTLIB** option 5). For unstable nuclides without data, the text no spectral data is displayed.

DECAY RADIATION DISCRETE SPECTRA AVERAGES							
Nuclide Name	Nuclide ZAI	Nuclide Number	Spectrum Type	Number of Lines	Mean Energy+Uncertainty (eV)	FC (eV)	++ Delta FC
H 3	10030	3	beta	1	5.70740E+03+- 1.84397E+00	1.00000E+00+- 0.00000E+00	
...							
He 5	20050	10	no spectral data				
He 6	20060	11	beta	1	1.56131E+06+- 1.78723E+03	1.00000E+00+- 0.00000E+00	
He 7	20070	12	no spectral data				
He 8	20080	13	gamma	1	8.63104E+05+- 9.80839E+03	8.80000E-01+- 0.00000E+00	
He 8	20080	13	beta	2	4.44862E+06+- 5.83679E+04	1.00000E+00+- 0.00000E+00	

```
He 8 20080 13 n 1 1.41370E+05+- 1.03697E+04 1.00000E+00+- 0.00000E+00
...
```

5.4 Probability Table Collapse Run

The cross-section collapse with probability table data to compute the self-shielding factor and the effective collapsed cross-sections differs from the standard collapse (c.f., Section 3.3) in that

1. a mapping for the probability table data directory must be added to the files file:

```
# Library probability tables for self-shielding
prob_tab ../../PTdata/tp294
```

2. the reading of the probability table data must be activated by including the **PROBTABLE** keyword in the library preparation section of the input file.
3. the set of parent nuclides (or elements) to which the self-shielding factor is to be applied is specified by the **SSFCHOOSE** keyword.
4. the mixture of nuclides to be included in the dilution computation must be specified using either the **SSFMAS** or **SSFFUEL** keywords. Note that the values specified for these may be different from the **MASS** or **FUEL** mixtures specified in the inventory run. This gives the user the flexibility to manipulate the dilutions, but in general, one should specify the same mixture for the inventory run as is used for the collapse run. If subsequent collapses are requested by **GETXS** keywords then additional **SSFFUEL** or **SSFMAS** keywords will be needed for them.

To illustrate the usage, we consider the following input file for a cross-section collapse calculation using probability table data:

```
GETXS 1 616
PROBTAB 1 1
SSFCHOOSE 4 0
W182 W183 W184 W186
SSFFUEL 4
W182 1.34834187E+22
W183 7.27597094E+21
W184 1.55899050E+22
W186 1.44654079E+22
FISPACT
* COLLAPSE EAF_616_FLT with PT for W
END
* END OF RUN
```

The first keyword specifies collapse of the 616 energy group EAF cross-section data (the EAF group structure for which probability table data are presently available). The second activates the reading of probability table data to compute self-shielding factors and the use of partial cross-sections to compute self-shielding factors with the infinite dilution values in the EAF library being replaced rather than scaled.

The **SSFCHOOSE** keyword specifies 4 entries on the list and suppresses detailed printing (0). The subsequent line (or lines) list the elements or nuclides. In this case they are four isotopes of tungsten.

The **SSFFUEL** keyword specifies the mixture. In this case all the nuclides in the mixture are in the apply list of **SSFCHOOSE**, but in general the apply list will contain a subset of the nuclides in the mixture.

The output from a run using this dataset has the labelling and heading information, followed by the probability table data initialisation output that specifies the method of calculation chosen and the source data directory for the probability table data:

```
PROBABILITY TABLE INITIALISATION
=====

Self shielding factors are computed using partial cross-sections

Library infinite dilution values are replaced by self-shielded probability table values

Probability table data directory: ../../PTdata/tp294/

Temperature = 294K
```

Printed next is a list of the parent nuclides to which the self-shielding factor correction is applied and the name of the files containing the probability table data used:

```
Probability Table Application List
-----
Nuclide    Data File
W 182      W182-294.tpe
W 183      W183-294.tpe
W 184      W184-294.tpe
W 186      W186-294.tpe
```

and then a summary of the material mixture used in the dilution calculation:

```
Material Mixture List
-----
Nuclide    Percentage
W 182      26.534
W 183      14.319
```

W 184	30.680
W 186	28.467

A full list of collapsed cross-sections can be obtained using **PRINTLIB**. The collapse run simply summarises the reactions whose cross-sections are changed by self-shielding. The table for this example is as follows:

```

PROBABILITY TABLE CHANGES TO CROSS-SECTIONS
=====

The TENDL infinitely dilute values (old sigma) are replaced by the probability
table effective cross-section (new sigma).
The effective self-shielding factor is the ratio of new to old value

parent      daughter      mt cal-mt      old sigma      new sigma      self shielding
nuclide     nuclide
W 182      W 183          102  101      2.10385E+00    4.99375E-01     23.74
W 182      W 183m         102  101      3.14997E-01    7.52384E-02     23.89
W 182      Hf179          107  101      7.26039E-05    7.25547E-05     99.93
W 182      Hf179m         107  101      7.78139E-06    7.76192E-06     99.75
W 182      Hf179n         107  101      2.85923E-07    2.85918E-07    100.00
W 183      W 184          102  101      3.41600E+00    1.06712E+00     31.24
W 183      Hf180          107  101      8.04463E-05    7.73309E-05     96.13
W 183      Hf180m         107  101      3.92752E-06    3.92574E-06     99.95
W 184      W 185          102  101      4.42228E-01    1.35932E-01     30.74
W 184      W 185m         102  101      9.81381E-04    6.06302E-04     61.78
W 184      Hf181          107  101      5.28951E-05    5.28901E-05     99.99
W 186      W 187          102  101      3.12173E+00    1.68884E+00     54.10
W 186      Hf183          107  101      3.14859E-05    3.14858E-05    100.00

```

For fission (MT=18) and other (MT=5), the daughter nuclide names are respectively replaced by 'fission' and 'other'.

5.5 Universal Curve Self-Shielding Collapse Run

The cross-section collapse using the universal sigmoid curve approximation to compute the self-shielding factor and the effective collapsed cross-sections differs from the standard collapse (c.f., Section 3.3) in that:

1. The files file must specify an ENDF-format cross-section library that includes MF = 2 resolved resonance range data.
2. The **SSFGEOMETRY** keyword must be added to the input file to trigger the use of this self-shielding model.

3. The target shape and size must be specified with arguments to **SSFGEOMETRY**.
4. The mixture of nuclides whose resonances are to be included in the calculation of the self-shielding factors must be specified using either the **SSFMAS** or **SSFFUEL** keywords. Note that the values specified for these may be different from the **MASS** or **FUEL** mixtures specified in the inventory run. This gives the user the flexibility to manipulate the self-shielding factors, but in general, one should specify the same mixture for the inventory run as is used for the collapse run. If subsequent collapses are requested by **GETXS** keywords then additional **SSFFUEL** or **SSFMAS** keywords will be needed for them.

To illustrate the usage, we consider the following input file for a cross-section collapse calculation using probability table data:

```
GETXS 1 709
SSFGEOMETRY 1 0.8
SSFFUEL 4
W182 1.34834187E+22
W183 7.27597094E+21
W184 1.55899050E+22
W186 1.44654079E+22
FISPACT
* COLLAPSE tal2011-n/gxs-709 with universal curve SSF for a foil
END
* END OF RUN
```

The first keyword specifies that an ENDF-format cross-section library is to be read from the directory indicated by `xs_endf` in the `files` file and the second keyword specifies collapse of the 709 energy group cross-section data. The **SSFGEOMETRY** keyword activates the universal sigmoid curve self-shielding approximation and indicates that a foil target 8 mm thick is to be irradiated. The **SSFFUEL** keyword specifies the mixture of nuclides whose resonances are to be used to calculate the self-shielding factors.

The output from a run using this dataset has the labelling and heading information for this self-shielding approximation, followed by the list of the parent nuclides that provide resonances for the calculation of the self-shielding factors:

```
SIGMOID CURVE SELF SHIELDING CHANGES TO CROSS-SECTIONS
-----
Target geometry set by the SSFGEOMETRY keyword: foil with thickness 8.00000E-01 cm
Target mass and inventory numbers of atoms refer to unit foil area.

The self shielding factors are calculated from the resonances of the materials specified with the SSFFUEL or SSFMAS keywords.

Material Mixture List
-----
```

```

Nuclide    Atoms percent
W 182      26.534
W 183      14.319
W 184      30.680
W 186      28.467

```

A full list of collapsed cross-sections can be obtained using **PRINTLIB**. The collapse run simply summarises the reactions whose cross-sections are changed significantly by self-shielding (reduced to less than 90% of their infinitely-dilute values.) The table for this example starts as follows:

```

The EAF/TENDL infinitely dilute values (old sigma) are replaced by the sigmoid curve effective cross-sections (new sigma).
The effective self-shielding factor is the ratio of new to old values. Factors greater than 90.00% are omitted from the table.

```

parent nuclide	daughter nuclide	mt	old sigma barns	new sigma barns	self shielding factor (%)	parent nuclide	daughter nuclide	mt	old sigma barns	new sigma barns	self shielding factor (%)
Na 22	Na 22	2	1.51796E+00	1.20106E+00	79.12	Cl 36	Cl 37	102	2.96858E-03	1.87209E-03	63.06
Ar 37	Ar 38	102	2.77255E-03	2.29233E-03	82.68	K 37	K 38	102	9.93047E-04	8.05455E-04	81.11
K 37	K 38m	102	2.13898E-03	1.71960E-03	80.39	K 38	K 39	102	3.26196E-03	2.71234E-03	83.15
K 42	K 43	102	6.93336E-03	5.29917E-03	76.43	K 43	K 44	102	3.77911E-03	3.36584E-03	89.06
K 44	K 45	102	3.63969E-03	3.14525E-03	86.42	Sc 42m	Sc 43	102	6.13298E-03	5.04557E-03	82.27
Sc 43	Sc 44	102	9.22430E-03	5.78151E-03	62.68	Sc 43	Sc 44m	102	7.72141E-04	5.84122E-04	75.65
Sc 44	Sc 45	102	4.83744E-03	3.01304E-03	62.29	Sc 44	Sc 45m	102	6.10641E-03	3.57961E-03	58.62
Sc 44m	Sc 45	102	1.27846E-02	7.33443E-03	57.37	Sc 44m	Sc 45m	102	8.44849E-04	5.33646E-04	63.16
Sc 46	Sc 47	102	1.25279E-02	9.22951E-03	73.67	Sc 46m	Sc 47	102	1.62702E-02	1.10540E-02	67.94
Sc 47	Sc 48	102	4.77165E-03	4.16265E-03	87.24	Ti 45	Ti 46	102	1.07775E-02	7.33420E-03	68.05
V 47	V 48	102	7.30012E-03	5.35352E-03	73.33	V 48	V 49	102	8.70205E-03	6.86722E-03	78.91
V 49	V 50	102	9.25513E-03	7.54519E-03	81.52	V 50	V 51	102	3.84027E-02	3.28603E-02	85.57
Cr 49	Cr 50	102	6.73542E-03	5.26221E-03	78.13	Mn 50m	Mn 51	102	6.84192E-03	5.66382E-03	82.78
Mn 51	Mn 52	102	1.29548E-03	1.10514E-03	85.31	Mn 51	Mn 52m	102	5.71788E-03	4.56122E-03	79.77
Mn 55	Mn 56	102	1.10650E-02	9.75274E-03	88.14	Mn 56	Mn 57	102	7.37615E-03	6.27235E-03	85.04
Mn 57	Mn 58	102	1.05890E-03	9.27035E-04	87.55	Mn 58	Mn 59	102	6.04988E-03	5.28837E-03	87.41
Mn 58m	Mn 59	102	9.83010E-03	8.05237E-03	81.92	Mn 59	Mn 60	102	1.84688E-03	1.62945E-03	88.23
Mn 59	Mn 60m	102	6.33656E-03	5.70209E-03	89.99	Fe 53	Fe 54	102	4.97518E-03	4.19275E-03	84.27
Fe 53m	Fe 54	102	4.70607E-03	3.83581E-03	81.51	Co 54m	Co 55	102	4.58414E-03	4.06991E-03	88.78
...

5.6 The .json Output File

JavaScript Object Notation (JSON) is a language independent data format, which uses human-readable text to store data. It is an open-standard file format, that uses the extension .json. A simple example of JSON data is shown below:

```

{
  "string1": "fispact",
  "string2": "UKAEA",
  "boolean": true,
  "integer": 27,
  "object": {
    "double": 3.14,
    "anotherinteger": 12,
    "anotherstring": "hello"
  },
  "integerlist": [ 2, 0, 1, 8 ],
  "emptylist": [],

```

```
"nullobject": null
}
```

When the JSON keyword (see Section 4.34) is used, FISPACT-II produces a JSON output file. Not all standard FISPACT-II outputs are included in the JSON format and it only currently supports the inventory data output, which is produced per time step. The schema for the JSON output is below:

```
{
  "type": "object",
  "properties": {
    "run_data": {
      "type": "object",
      "required": [],
      "properties": {
        "timestamp": {
          "type": "string",
          "unit": ""
        },
        "run_name": {
          "type": "string",
          "unit": ""
        },
        "flux_name": {
          "type": "string",
          "unit": ""
        }
      }
    },
    "inventory_data": {
      "type": "array",
      "items": {
        "type": "object",
        "properties": {
          "irradiation_time": {
            "type": "number",
            "unit": "s"
          },
          "cooling_time": {
            "type": "number",
            "unit": "s"
          },
          "flux": {
            "type": "number",
            "unit": "cm-2 s-1"
          }
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```
"total_heat": {
  "type": "number",
  "unit": "kW"
},
"alpha_heat": {
  "type": "number",
  "unit": "kW"
},
"beta_heat": {
  "type": "number",
  "unit": "kW"
},
"gamma_heat": {
  "type": "number",
  "unit": "kW"
},
"ingestion_dose": {
  "type": "number",
  "unit": "Sv kg-1"
},
"inhalation_dose": {
  "type": "number",
  "unit": "Sv kg-1"
},
"dose_rate": {
  "type": "object",
  "properties": {
    "type": {
      "type": "string",
      "unit": ""
    },
    "distance": {
      "type": "string",
      "unit": "m"
    },
    "mass": {
      "type": "string",
      "unit": "kg"
    },
    "dose": {
      "type": "string",
      "unit": "Sv hr-1"
    }
  }
},
```

```
"nuclides": {
  "type": "array",
  "items": {
    "type": "object",
    "properties": {
      "element": {
        "type": "string",
        "unit": ""
      },
      "isotope": {
        "type": "number",
        "unit": ""
      },
      "state": {
        "type": "string",
        "unit": ""
      },
      "half_life": {
        "type": "number",
        "unit": "s"
      },
      "grams": {
        "type": "number",
        "unit": "g"
      },
      "activity": {
        "type": "number",
        "unit": "Bq"
      },
      "heat": {
        "type": "number",
        "unit": "kW"
      },
      "alpha_heat": {
        "type": "number",
        "unit": "kW"
      },
      "beta_heat": {
        "type": "number",
        "unit": "kW"
      },
      "gamma_heat": {
        "type": "number",
        "unit": "kW"
      }
    }
  }
}
```

```
        "dose": {
          "type": "number",
          "unit": "Sv hr-1"
        },
        "ingestion": {
          "type": "number",
          "unit": "Sv"
        },
        "inhalation": {
          "type": "number",
          "unit": "Sv"
        }
      }
    }
  }
}
```

A simple example JSON matching this schema is given below, where only 1 time step is shown, with 4 nuclides.

```
{
  "run_data": {
    "timestamp": "12:34:57 13 January 2018",
    "run_name": "* IRRADIATION OF TI P IFMIF",
    "flux_name": "IFMIF 40MeV p on Cu tot=8.90979E"
  },
  "inventory_data": [
    {
      "irradiation_time": 0.315576E+8,
      "cooling_time": 0.0E+0,
      "flux": 0.1E+14,
      "total_heat": 0.1223030110134804E-1,
      "alpha_heat": 0.16005895688597252E-8,
      "beta_heat": 0.24007381232789512E-2,
      "gamma_heat": 0.98295613774795204E-2,
      "ingestion_dose": 0.3397684856973774E+5,
      "inhalation_dose": 0.47494685040731056E+5,
      "dose_rate": {
        "type": "Plane source",
        "distance": 0.0E+0,
        "mass": 0.0E+0,
        "dose": 0.15600638158759622E+5
      }
    }
  ]
}
```

```
},
"nuclides": [
  {
    "element": "H",
    "isotope": 1,
    "state": "",
    "half_life": 0.0E+0,
    "grams": 0.41304862830196295E-2,
    "activity": 0.0E+0,
    "heat": 0.0E+0,
    "alpha_heat": 0.0E+0,
    "beta_heat": 0.0E+0,
    "gamma_heat": 0.0E+0,
    "dose": 0.0E+0,
    "ingestion": 0.0E+0,
    "inhalation": 0.0E+0
  },
  {
    "element": "H",
    "isotope": 2,
    "state": "",
    "half_life": 0.0E+0,
    "grams": 0.42774759130508549E-3,
    "activity": 0.0E+0,
    "heat": 0.0E+0,
    "alpha_heat": 0.0E+0,
    "beta_heat": 0.0E+0,
    "gamma_heat": 0.0E+0,
    "dose": 0.0E+0,
    "ingestion": 0.0E+0,
    "inhalation": 0.0E+0
  },
  {
    "element": "H",
    "isotope": 3,
    "state": "",
    "half_life": 0.389105E+9,
    "grams": 0.2701470181329697E-4,
    "activity": 0.96088492732138062E+10,
    "heat": 0.87865834688739239E-8,
    "alpha_heat": 0.0E+0,
    "beta_heat": 0.87865834688739239E-8,
    "gamma_heat": 0.0E+0,
    "dose": 0.0E+0,
    "ingestion": 0.40357167619673529E+0,
  }
]
```

```

        "inhalation": 0.2498300751046783E+1
    },
    {
        "element": "He",
        "isotope": 3,
        "state": "",
        "half_life": 0.0E+0,
        "grams": 0.76926120856869517E-4,
        "activity": 0.0E+0,
        "heat": 0.0E+0,
        "alpha_heat": 0.0E+0,
        "beta_heat": 0.0E+0,
        "gamma_heat": 0.0E+0,
        "dose": 0.0E+0,
        "ingestion": 0.0E+0,
        "inhalation": 0.0E+0
    }
]
}
]
}

```

JSON is a widely used format, with many parsers available in most programming languages, including Fortran, Python and C++. This makes it a widely accessible file format, and makes reading the FISPACT-II output trivial. For example to read the time stamp from the output this can be done in Python as:

```

#!/usr/bin/env python3
import json

with open("fispactrun.json", "rt") as f:
    data = json.loads(f.read())

print(data['run_data']['timestamp'])

```

Another example is to get the total heat for each nuclide at a given timestep.

```

#!/usr/bin/env python3
import json

with open("fispactrun.json", "rt") as f:
    data = json.loads(f.read())

timestep_index = 3
for t in data['inventory_data'][timestep_index]['nuclides']:
    print(t['heat'])      # total heat is in kW

```


The above code is language specific, but Python is used to highlight the simplicity of parsing JSON files, as opposed to the standard FISPACT-II output.

Additionally, an open source Python package exists, namely `pypact`, which can parse both the FISPACT-II standard output file and the JSON file format, in a simple, easy way. It can also be used as a tool to convert the FISPACT-II standard output file (*.out) to JSON format (*.json). For more details and information on `pypact`, see the FISPACT-II GitHub page at - <https://github.com/fispact/pypact>.

6 Test Cases: `system_tests`

Supplied with version 4.0 of the FISPACT-II software are 402 test input files separated into 46 test suites. The tests cover the range of ENDF nuclear data files in the release, all keywords listed in Section 4 and legacy EAF nuclear data. Reference outputs are provided for the all systems for which FISPACT-II has been compiled and distributed, using the GNU Fortran compilers. See the FISPACT-II wiki for details:

https://fispact.ukaea.uk/wiki/Docker_images

The full suite of output files are provided for a subset of the systems, including Ubuntu-16.04, macOS 10.12 and Windows10.

In addition to providing a useful guide to using FISPACT-II these test cases provide a check on whether your installation is working correctly. A `runall.sh` (Linux/Mac) and `runall.bat` (Windows) script file is provided at the top level inside the `system_tests` directory. This script must be run within the `system_tests` directory.

To run on Linux/Mac systems:

```
cd path/to/fispact/installation/system_tests
bash runall.sh
```

To run on Windows systems:

```
cd C:\path\to\fispact\installation\system_tests
runall.bat
```

Running this script will run all 46 test suites, containing all 402 test cases. This may take some time, depending on the system, but it is not unexpected to take in excess of an hour to run all.

It is expected that all 402 cases succeed, no cases are expected to fail. A summary is printed at the end of the test run, which should be as below:

```
=====
Tests ran without errors: 402
```

Tests ran with fatal errors: 0
=====

If you experience any failures, this can be a sign on an incorrect installation or that the system is unsupported. Please check that the nuclear data and code have been installed correctly (see Section 2) and contact support for assistance if you still encounter errors.

One can then go to the relevant test directory, e.g., `Tst_nfy_with_json` and view the input files, for example, `files` and `test100.i`, to see the context of the use of the keyword, and then view what the result of running that case is by looking in the `Tst_nfy_with_json/testresults` directory for the output file `test100.out`.

Test input cases for standard collapse, condense and inventory runs including pathways and uncertainties are covered in the ‘Getting Started’ section (page 28).

The subdirectories of directory `system_tests` illustrate features of FISPACT-II and use of different libraries, as summarised in Table 10.

Table 10: System tests provided in FISPACT-II release 4.0. The columns refer to: **(JSON)** whether a set of outputs with the **JSON** keyword are included, **(Core)** indicates test results are provided for the ‘core’ systems: macOS 10.12, Ubuntu 16.04 and Windows 10, **(All)** indicates test results are provided for all supported systems, **(ENDF)** labels cases where ENDF-6 data is used and **(EAF)** labels cases where deprecated, EAF-format data is used.

Test folder	JSON	Core	All	ENDF	EAF	Description
Tst_162alph	✓	✓	✓	✓		TENDL-2017 alpha irradiation
Tst_162deut	✓	✓		✓		TENDL-2017 deuteron irradiation
Tst_162gamm	✓	✓	✓	✓		TENDL-2017 gamma irradiation
Tst_162prot	✓	✓		✓		TENDL-2017 proton irradiation
Tst_709fns	✓	✓		✓		TENDL-2017 simulations of D-T neutron irradiation from FNS decay heat experiments
Tst_709lib	✓	✓		✓		Comparison of fission calculations using ENDF/B-VII.1, TENDL-2017, JEFF-3.2 and JENDL-4.0
Tst_709mc	✓	✓		✓		Monte-Carlo sensitivity-uncertainty calculations
Tst_709pt	✓	✓	✓	✓		TENDL-2017 probability table self-shielding examples
Tst_709uc	✓	✓		✓		TENDL-2017 geometry self-shielding examples using universal sigmoid model
Tst_conv	✓	✓	✓	✓		Spectrum conversion into group structures matching nuclear data libraries
Tst_ggs	✓	✓		✓		Example calculations with different gamma group structures for decay spectra
Tst_mat	✓	✓	✓	✓		Fusion wall loading example with nucgraph plots

Tst_multispec	✓	✓		✓		Multiple irradiation steps with updated spectra for different steps
Tst_nfy	✓	✓	✓	✓		Energy-dependent fission yield handling with the GEFY fission yield library
Tst_162trit		✓	✓	✓		TENDL-2017 triton (H3) irradiation
Tst_162heli		✓	✓	✓		TENDL-2017 helion (He3) irradiation
Tst_prot_he		✓	✓	✓		1 GeV simulation splicing TENDL-2017 and HEIR-0.1 residual product library data
Tst_066		✓			✓	EAF calculations using 66 group data
Tst_069		✓			✓	EAF calculations using 69 group data
Tst_100		✓			✓	EAF calculations using 100 group data
Tst_172v		✓			✓	EAF calculations using 172 group (fission micro-flux weighting) data
Tst_172w		✓			✓	EAF calculations using 172 group (fusion micro-flux weighting) data
Tst_175		✓	✓		✓	EAF calculations using 175 group data
Tst_211		✓			✓	EAF calculations using 211 group data
Tst_315		✓			✓	EAF calculations using 315 group data
Tst_351		✓	✓		✓	EAF calculations using 351 group data
Tst_616		✓			✓	EAF calculations using 616 (LANL) group data
Tst_616pt		✓	✓		✓	EAF calculations using 616 (LANL) group data and probability table self-shielding
Tst_burn		✓	✓		✓	EAF calculations using 69 group data and multiple spectra during burn-up steps
Tst_deut		✓			✓	EAF calculations using EAF deuteron-induced reaction data
Tst_prot		✓			✓	EAF calculations using EAF proton-induced reaction data
Tst_spec		✓	✓		✓	EAF calculations using spectrum convert into 172 group (fission micro-flux weighting) data

A user looking for more information on the use of a keyword described in Section 4 may easily find an example input file using `grep`. For example, a user looking for inputs including the **POWER** keyword could try the following command

```
grep "POWER" system_tests/Tst*/*.i
```

which will search through the test cases and return all of those containing the keyword:

```
system_tests/Tst_nfy/test099.i:<< POWER 1.29537E0+2 1 301 >>  
system_tests/Tst_nfy/test100.i:POWER 3.99018E+02 1 301  
system_tests/Tst_nfy_with_json/test099.i:<< POWER 1.29537E0+2 1 301 >>  
system_tests/Tst_nfy_with_json/test100.i:POWER 3.99018E+02 1 301
```

7 Utilities

7.1 Nuclear data compression: **compress_xs_endf**

The TENDL nuclear data libraries are large – they contain many gigabytes of data. If a sequence of FISPACT-II runs uses the same incident particle spectrum, then the time for a single collapse run may be spread over many runs by using a preliminary collapse run (c.f., Section 3.3). However, if the sequence of runs uses different flux spectra in each run, then the computational time for the collapses becomes significant, particularly if data are accessed across a network. To speed up calculations in these cases, three capabilities have been added to FISPACT-II. The first, and easiest, is to preprocess the ENDF libraries and store only those data needed by FISPACT-II in a single compressed binary file.

A separate executable `compress_xs_endf` is used to convert the ASCII ENDF libraries into a compressed binary file. It has up to five arguments, in the following order:

1. the fileroot name used to construct binary output and log file names (default `compress_xs_endf`);
2. the projectile – a letter that denotes the projectile used for the reaction data. Valid values are n, p, d, a, g (default n);
3. the bin-size: number of energy bins in cross-section data. For the present TENDL data this make take values 709 or 162 (default 709);
4. the save type: This takes a value 0-5 that specifies what data are to be saved (default 1);
5. the name of files file (default `files`).

The save types are

- 0 cross-section only
- 1 cross-section and variance
- 2 cross-section, variance and covariance

- 3 resonances and cross-section
- 4 resonances, cross-section and variance
- 5 resonances, cross-section, variance and covariance

Any other value defaults to 1. For most applications cross-sections only or cross-sections and variance (neutron irradiation) are sufficient. Covariance data are only available for neutron irradiation and are only needed if the **COVARIANCE** keyword is being used. The resonance data are only used if the **SSFGEOMETRY** keyword is to be used.

An example of the use of `compress_xs_endf` that creates a binary compressed library `tal2017-n.bin` containing 709-group cross-sections, variance and covariance data for neutron irradiating flux using the TENDL2017 library is as follows:

```
compress_xs_endf tal2017-n n 709 2
```

The fifth argument is not present and so will take its default value `files`. This file must contain the mappings for `ind_nuc` and for `xs_endf`. For example:

```
# index of nuclides to be included
ind_nuc ../../nuclear_data/TENDL2017data/tendl17_decay12_index

# Library cross section data
xs_endf ../../nuclear_data/TENDL2017data/tal2017-n/gxs-709
```

Only those nuclides listed in the `ind_nuc` file are included in the compressed library.

The input files for collapse calculations using the compressed ENDF libraries differ from those using the full ASCII libraries only in that the **GETXS** has first argument -1 rather than 1, and the `files` file contains a mapping for the compressed library:

```
# Compressed library cross-section data
xs_endfb tal2017-n.bin
```

Typically, the compressed library is about one quarter of the size of the full ASCII library, and collapse calculations are typically a factor four faster. Further reductions in file size and execution times can be realised using a reduced nuclide index.

7.2 Nuclear reaction extract: `extract_xs_endf`

FISPACT-II comes with an energy-dependent reaction extraction tool, `extract_xs_endf`, which read an ENDF cross-section file and a flux file and prints an 8 column table containing:

1. En-low = lower energy of the group
2. En-high = higher energy of the group
3. flux = group flux(i), as in the flux file
4. flux-unc = 0.000000E+00
5. gxs = group cross section, as in the TENDL file
6. gxs_unc = mapped variance one sigma of the group cross section, in %
7. greac-rate= flux(i)*gxs(i)/flux(1:709)
8. cum-rate = incremental sum of the greaction-rates, in %

The present version assumes that the cross-section threshold takes its default value of 1.0e-12 barns.

```
extract_xs_endf fileroot projectile bin_size parent mt daughter [files]
```

The first argument gives the fileroot of the log and output files. For example, if fileroot is set to test1, then the run will generate files test1.log and test1.out

The projectile is a letter that denotes the projectile used for the reaction data. Valid values are n, p, d, a, g, t or h.

The bin_size is the number of energy bins used in the cross-section data file. For example, 162 or 709. The parent is the parent nuclide name, e.g., Zr90. mt is the reaction mt, e.g. 103. The daughter is the daughter nuclide name, e.g., Y90m. The final optional files argument gives the name of the files file if it is different from files.

An example use of this utility would be:

```
./extract_xs_endf test1 n 709 Zr090 103 Y90m
```

To determine which {p,mt,d} sets are available, you can use the listreactions (see Section 7.3 utility or consult the printlib output from FISPACT-II.

To output cross section special cases, where there is no pre-defined product, use the following values of mt and the product zai is set to the value shown. For these special cases the product name may be omitted from the call:

```
reaction  mt product
total      1  -5
nonelastic 3  -4
other      5  -2
fission    18 -1
```

7.3 List nuclear reactions: **listreactions**

`listreactions` reads an ENDF cross-section file and prints the list of reactions and daughters for the specified nuclide.

`listreactions` writes, to standard output, the name and ZAI of the parent nuclide, and a table containing, for each reaction encountered in the cross-section data file, the reaction, the daughter product, the ZAI of the daughter, and the value of mat, mf, mt and ns at the start of the table of cross-section values.

General usage of the program is:

```
./listreactions projectile filename [EAF]
```

`listreactions` requires two mandatory arguments and one optional argument. The first mandatory argument is a letter that denotes the projectile used for the reaction data. Valid values are n, p, d, a, g, t, and h. The second mandatory argument is the file name of the file containing the reaction data. Relative or absolute paths may be used instead of filename.

The third optional argument, if present, must be EAF. This is used to fix the difference in the usage of LFS in the EAF-2010 data converted to ENDF format and in the TENDL data. An example use of this program is:

```
./listreactions n /path/to/nuclear_data/TENDL2017data/ta12017-n/gxs-709/Zr090g.asc
```

The tables are generated using the FISPACT-II ENDF reader. For reactions that are not included in the rate equation matrix, negative daughter ZAI values are returned. The following values are used:

```
zai = -1  for fission reaction
zai = -2  for other reaction
zai = -3  for unknown reaction
zai = -4  for noneleastic
```

```

zai = -5  for total xs
zai = -20 for gas production totals
zai = -30 for kerma
zai = -40 for dpa

```

If the MT values are not known to FISPACT-II, then the message

```
unknown mt value
```

is returned for the reaction, daughter and zai_d values.

For MF=3 reactions, the daughter ZAI is computed from the parent ZAI and the ΔZ and ΔA of the reaction type MT.

For MF=8 and MF=10 reactions, the daughter ZAI is computed from the tabulated daughter ZA value in the ENDF file and the isomeric state of the daughter. The isomeric state of the daughter is determined differently, depending on whether the ENDF dataset is EAF-2010 or TENDL data. For TENDL, isomeric states of a given daughter ZA are assumed to be tabulated without gaps from the ground state upwards. So the first record is ground, the second is m, the third is n, etc. For EAF-2010, the isomeric state is taken to be the LFS.

7.4 Make matrix index: **makenuclideindex**

FISPACT-II requires a nuclide index to determine the dimensions of the rate equation matrix and identify the correct ENDF-6 mat numbers within the decay and cross section files. This index may be produced for any pair of suitably processed decay and group-wise ENDF-6 nuclear data files. The utility program makenuclideindex generates this full nuclide master index. It writes:

1. to standard output error messages and the number of nuclide decay files found
2. the log file makenuclideindex.log
3. the list of filenames, decaylist, and
4. the nuclide index index-file.

Each row of this index contains:

```
nuclide name, index, zai, dk_mat, xs_mat
```


where `dk_mat` and `xs_mat` are, respectively, the `mat` values extracted from the decay and cross section data files.

Error messages are output if the `zai` in the decay file does not correspond to the nuclide name of the file, and if the `zai` in the decay and cross-section files differ.

It is typically used with a command:

```
makenuclideindex decay_directory_path cross-section_directory_path ostype
```

The first, mandatory, argument is the path to the decay data directory. The second, mandatory, argument is the path to the cross-section data directory.

The third argument determines the form of the system `ls` command used, and has two valid values: `'mac'` for macOS systems and `'linux'` for Linux systems. An example usage of the program would be:

```
./makenuclideindex /path/to/nuclear_data/decay/decay_2012 /path/to/nuclear_data/TENDL2017data/tal2017-n/gxs-
```

7.5 Output parsing: `pypact`

`Pypact` is an open source Python 3 package, that is developed and maintained by the UKAEA. `Pypact` is made available on the official FISPACT-II GitHub repository at <https://github.com/fispact/pypact>. The main aim of `pypact` is to make the FISPACT-II output file easy to parse, to simplify the whole interrogation process, bundled in one package.

As mentioned in Section 5.6 `pypact` provides a tool to convert FISPACT-II output files to JSON format, but it can also be used to analyze output data.

7.5.1 Install `Pypact`

`Pypact` is available for Python, and only supports version 3 onward, since version 2 is being deprecated. To install `pypact` it is available via `pip`, using the following:

```
pip install pypact
```

7.5.2 Command Line Tool

The command line tool is a Python 3 script which uses the `pypact` modules to parse a FISPACT-II output file into memory. It then serializes this to a more digestible and

usable output JSON format.

To use the tool a valid FISPACT-II output file is required to be deserialized, and upon running produces a corresponding JSON output file. The FISPACT-II output file must exist, otherwise the tool will fail and no JSON will be produced.

The paths should be relative to the current directory but the tool can be ran from any location, since it should be in your `$PYTHONPATH`.

A simple example is shown below using a FISPACT-II output file 'test91.out'. This can be found on the git repository in the reference directory.

```
$pwd
    /testdir/example
$ls
    test91.out
$fispactconverter.py test91.out test91.json
$ls
    test91.out test91.json
```

Note that you must specify the extension for the JSON file, otherwise the file will have no extension but it will still be in JSON format. Additionally, the JSON file name does not have to match the FISPACT-II output file name, as the below example shows.

```
$pwd
    /testdir/example
$ls
    test91.out
$fispactconverter.py test91.out call_me_anything.json
$ls
    test91.out call_me_anything.json
```

7.5.3 Module Import

A much better way to use the package is to import the modules directly into your existing python code and make new scripts using it.

A simple example of how to read the output into memory is given below.

```
from pypact.reader.reader import Reader
from pypact.output.output import Output

filename = "fispact_ii_run_output_file.out"

reader = Reader()
output = reader(filename)
```

```
# do your analysis here  
...
```

Some basic examples are given on how to interrogate the output.

Run Name

```
from pypact.reader.reader import Reader  
from pypact.output.output import Output  
  
filename = "fispact_ii_run_output_file.out"  
  
reader = Reader()  
output = reader(filename)  
  
rd = output.run_data  
  
print(rd.run_name)
```

Time Step Iteration

```
from pypact.reader.reader import Reader  
from pypact.output.output import Output  
  
filename = "fispact_ii_run_output_file.out"  
  
reader = Reader()  
output = reader(filename)  
  
timesteps = output.inventory_data  
  
for t in timesteps:  
    print(t.irradiation_time)  
    print(t.flux)  
    print(t.ingestion_dose)  
    ....
```

Number of Nuclides

```
from pypact.reader.reader import Reader  
from pypact.output.output import Output
```

```
filename = "fispact_ii_run_output_file.out"

reader = Reader()
output = reader(filename)

timesteps = output.inventory_data

for t in timesteps:
    print(len(t.nuclides.nuclides))
```

JSON Serialize

The package is written such that every data object can be JSON serialized and deserialized, as well as FISPACT-II deserialized. Whether it be the whole output object or just a dose at a given time step, it can be parsed and written to JSON.

An example showing this for the dose rate is given below.

```
from pypact.reader.filerecord import FileRecord
from pypact.output.doserate import DoseRate

filename = "fispact_ii_run_output_file.out"

fr = FileRecord(filename)

dr = DoseRate()
dr.fispact_deserialize(fr, interval=2)

# print JSON format to standard output
print(dr.json_serialize())
```

This should print to screen the following output:

```
{
  "type": "PLANE SOURCE",
  "distance": 0.0,
  "mass": 0.0,
  "dose": 22946.0
}
```

7.5.4 Additional Information

For more information or examples on how to use pypact, please visit our GitHub page at <https://github.com/fispact/pypact>.

7.6 Recoil spectra: **SPECTRA-PKA**

SPECTRA-PKA [32] is a command-line driven programme for calculating the expected primary knock-on atom (PKA) spectra for a given target nuclide under neutron or charged particle irradiation. NJOY-processed recoil matrices must be provided as the input nuclear data for each nuclide and reaction channel of interest. SPECTRA-PKA will read the nuclear data and collapse the data for each reaction channel in a file with a user-defined energy spectrum of incident particles.

SPECTRA-PKA outputs the resulting PKA spectra for each reaction channel read-in, as well as summed PKA distributions for each different recoiling nuclide or element, including both the typically heavy residuals and the secondary-emitted light gas particles. Crucially, SPECTRA-PKA has the ability to process data, in a single run, for a complex material containing many different target species. The user must specify the atomic percentage for each target and the appropriate recoil cross section file, but then SPECTRA-PKA will automatically read-in and process each file and create global average (including as a function of isotope and element) PKA distributions. This feature, in particular, is a significant advancement over what was possible before (such as with SPECTER [33] from ANL), where typically PKA distributions were only provided for single elements (and not separated by reaction channel) and based on only one nuclear data library (ENDF/B-V in the case of SPECTER). It allows, for example, the user to investigate the variation in PKA distributions as a function of time under irradiation, where a materials composition may change due to transmutation.

Furthermore, SPECTRA-PKA will also compute the displacement per atom (dpa) rate for each reaction channel (as opposed to the approach in FISPACT-II that uses total displacement kerma cross sections) by applying standard conversion formulas to calculate damage energies from PKA energies and then compute the NRT [34] dpa rate.

SPECTRA-PKA is available from the FISPACT-II GitHub. Please visit:

<https://github.com/fispact/SPECTRA-PKA>

for more information, example inputs and the source code for the program.

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APPENDICES

A Nuclear Data

FISPACT-II requires connection to several nuclear data libraries and forms before it can be used to calculate inventories. While any libraries in the correct ENDF-6 format could be used (c.f, Appendices A.4-A.6 below) , the development of FISPACT-II over the last few years has run in parallel with the development of the TALYS-based Evaluated Nuclear Data Library TENDL project and those European libraries are the recommended source of cross section data forms. Together, FISPACT-II and TENDL's nuclear data forms make up the complete package tailored for all application needs: nuclear fission and fusion, the nuclear fuel cycle, accelerator physics, isotope production, material characterisation, post-irradiation storage and life cycle, earth exploration, astrophysics, homeland security and more. The following data libraries are required:

1. Cross section data for neutron, proton, deuteron, alpha and gamma-induced reactions;
2. Fission yields data for neutron, proton, deuteron, alpha and gamma-induced reactions;
3. Variance-covariance data for neutron-induced reactions;
4. Probability tables data for neutron-induced reactions in the resonance energy ranges;
5. Decay data;
6. Radiological data:
 - Biological hazard data;
 - Legal transport data;
 - Clearance data.

To streamline, simplify and control any feature of all the nuclear data assimilation processes, the code development philosophy has been to follow in all aspects as much as possible the format described in the ENDF-6 format manual [15]. Three processing codes are used in sequence and in parallel to produce, process, check, and compare the nuclear data forms: NJOY16, PREPRO-2017 and CALENDF-2010. All the processing steps cannot be handled by only one or even two of those unique processing codes, a combination of the three is needed to extract the data forms that are the most useful in all applications.

Further details of the data assimilation processes and its history can be found in [35]. TENDL processed data forms differ in some respects [36, 37]. This is due to

enhancements made in the original ENDF-6 compliant TENDL data format and the way the files are processed. This is particularly noticeable in the partials kerma and dpa outputted from the latest TENDL-2017 and the more complete usage made of the variance-covariance information contained in this library.

FISPACT-II has been engineered to accommodate all of the latest nuclear data files from all working groups, notably including the most recent evaluations of TENDL, ENDF/B, JEFF, JENDL, CENDL and GEFY. As the original EAF-reading code, it retains the capability to utilise EAF-format files, including the last evaluation of EAF-2010. Descriptions for the various libraries distributed with the code are provided in the following sections.

The FISPACT-II website hosts the most recent, processed versions of all libraries. These may be found at:

<http://fispect.ukaea.uk/nuclear-data/downloads>.

A.1 TENDL Library Data

A.1.1 Cross-section Data

The principal sources of cross-section data are the different generations of the TALYS-based Evaluated Nuclear Data Libraries. The latest TENDL-2017 [38] is the recommended evaluated data source for use in any type of nuclear technology applications. The principal advances of this new library are in the unique target coverage, 2804 nuclides; the upper energy range, 200 MeV; variance-covariance information for all nuclides; and the extension to cover all important projectiles: neutron, proton, deuteron, alpha and gamma, and last but not least the proven capacity of this type of library to transfer regularly to technology the feedbacks of extensive validation, verification and benchmark activities from one release to the next. TENDL-2017 is the ninth generation of such a library and as such has benefited from the previous releases since TENDL-2008, as well as modern V&V [18, 17, 16, 39] and also from the EAF-2007, and EAF-2010 V&V processes [40, 41].

The cross-section data are provided adequately in two universal group structures: a CCFE (709) scheme for the neutron-induced cross-sections and a CCFE (162) scheme for the non-resonant p, d, α and γ -induced cross-sections. The data format used is fully compliant with the ENDF-6 manual specification handled on an isotopic basis and so allows many existing utility codes further to manipulate, visualise or check any aspects of the pre-processed files. The data files are produced using a complex but robust, complementary sequence of modules of the processing codes NJOY16 and PREPRO-2017 [42]. During the processing outputs from verification and validation steps are regularly taken in order to establish the validity of all computed derived data. To be able to account for Doppler broadening effects the processed files are given at three

Table 11: Non TENDL evaluations in TENDL-2017

nuclide	source	date	evaluators
1-H-1	LANL	JUL16	G.M.Hale
1-H-2	LANL	FEB97	P.G.Young, G.M.Hale, M.B.Chadwick
1-H-3	LANL	NOV01	G.M.Hale
2-He-3	LANL	MAY90	G.Hale, D.Dodder, P.Young
2-He-4	LANL	SEP10	G.Hale
3-Li-6	LANL	JAN17	G.M.Hale
3-Li-7	LANL	AUG88	P.G.Young
4-Be-9	LLNL, LANL	OCT09	G.Hale, Perkins et al, Frankle
5-B-10	LANL	FEB17	G.M.Hale
5-B-11	LANL	MAY89	P.G.Young
6-C-12	LANL	AUG15	G.M. Hale, P.G. Young, C.Y. Fu
6-C-13	LANL	AUG15	G.M. Hale, M.W. Paris
7-N-14	LANL	JUN97	M.B.Chadwick, P.G.Young
7-N-15	LANL	SEP83	E.Arthur, P.Young, G.Hale
8-O-16	LANL	MAR16	Hale, Paris, Young, Chadwick
9-F-19	CNDC, ORNL	OCT03	Z.X.Zhao, C.Y.Fu, D .C.Larson, Leal+

reactor temperatures: 293.6, 600 and 900 degree Kelvin. Special libraries processed for other temperatures are available on the FISPACT-II website.

Data for a small number of nuclides are taken from ENDF/B-VIII evaluations. Table 11 lists those nuclides from different sources in the TENDL-2017 library.

A.1.2 Variance and Covariance

Above the upper energy of the resolved resonance range, for each of the 2804 isotopes a Monte Carlo method in which the covariance data come from uncertainties of the nuclear model calculations is used. A complete description of the procedure is given in Reference [43]. For all isotopes, the initial “best” set of results is produced by a TALYS-1.9 [44] calculation with an adjusted input parameter set. This set of results is stored in ENDF ‘files’ MF-3 to MF-10. Next, for each isotope, many TALYS runs with random nuclear model parameters are performed, which are used to generate uncertainties and correlations. As well as correlation within the same reaction channels, correlation between reaction channels is included. All information on cross-section covariance is stored in the MF-33 format, starting at the end of the resonance range up to 200 MeV. Short-range, self-scaling variance components are also specified for each MT type.

The data format used to store the variance-covariance information has been made fully compliant with the ENDF-6 format description and the files are read directly by FISPACT-II without any further processing.

Note that as of TENDL-2017, proton- and deuteron-induced reaction evaluations now benefit from full covariance data that FISPACT-II processes and utilises for uncertainty propagation.

A.1.3 Probability Tables

The CALENDF nuclear data processing system is used to convert the evaluation defining the cross-sections in ENDF-6 format (i.e., the resonance parameters, both resolved and unresolved) into forms useful for applications. Those forms used to describe neutron cross-section fluctuations correspond to “cross-section probability tables”, based on Gauss quadratures and effective cross-sections. The CALENDF-2010 [14] code provides those probability tables in the energy range from 0.1 eV up to the end of the resolved or the unresolved resonance range. Probability table data in 709 (or 616) group formats are provided for the majority of isotopes of the TENDL library. These data are used to model dilution effects from channel, isotopic or elemental interferences. To account for Doppler broadening effects the tables are given at three temperatures: 293.6, 600 and 900 degree Kelvin.

A.1.4 Decay Data

In addition to cross-sections the other basic quantities required by an inventory code are information on the decay properties (such as half-life) of all the nuclides considered. These data are available in a handful of evaluated decay data libraries. FISPACT-II is able to read the data directly in ENDF-6 format; it requires no pre-processing to be done. The eaf_dec_2010 library, based primarily on the JEFF-3.1.1 and JEF-2.2 radioactive decay data libraries with additional data from the latest UK evaluations UKPADD6.10, contain 2233 nuclides. However, to handle the extension in incident particle type, energy range and number of targets, many more are needed. A new 3875-nuclide decay library UKDD-12 has been assembled from eaf_dec_2010 complemented with all of JEFF-3.1.1, a handful of ENDF/B-VII.1 and other decay files to cover the range of daughters of TENDL and short lived fission products.

There remain compatibility issues between the isomer definitions arising from the cross-section library, through the RIPL-3 database and the newly assembled decay library. Historical incompatibilities in isomeric state number (g, m, n, o, ...) and energy levels between radionuclide daughter products of reactions and the associated decay data files will need to be addressed in a future release.

A.1.5 Radiological Data

The radiological data for the increased number of nuclides present in the TENDL data are computed in the same manner as described for the EAF data (see Appendix A.7.4

on page 185). The new hazards, clearance and transport data are respectively for 3647, 3873 and 3872 nuclides, compared to 2006, 2233 and 2233 for the EAF data.

A.2 GEFY-6.1 fission yields

GEF-based fission-fragment yield libraries in ENDF-6 format are also provided. GEFY-6.1 [45, 46, 47], as independent and cumulative fission-fragment yields with multi-chance fission, include 160 neutron-induced files and 212 spontaneous fission yield files. This includes uncertainties that reflect the uncertainties of the model, determined from calculations with perturbed model parameters.

This repository contains the GEFY-6.1.2 neutron-induced and spontaneous fission yields with $1.0\text{E}+6$ events per incident energy. Isotopes with GEFY-6.1.1 files calculated with $1.0\text{E}+8$ events per incident energy are selected over the $1.0\text{E}+6$ files of 6.1.2.

Legacy version of the GEFY-5.2 and GEFY-4.2 fission yield libraries are also provided on the FISPACT-II website - see:

<http://fispact.ukaea.uk/nuclear-data/downloads>

Film visualisations of the energy-dependent fission yields are also available at:

<http://fispact.ukaea.uk/nuclear-data/fission-yields>

A.3 HEIR-0.1 Library Data

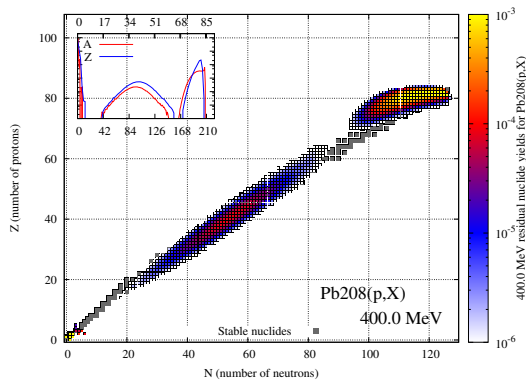
With the development of the **USESPALLATION** keyword in version 4.0, FISPACT-II now can splice the residual products ($MF=10$) of a 'high'-energy nuclear data file at a user-supplied energy. This allows the user to produce the full range of isotopes from a spallation reaction around GeV incident energy, including some 1000+ residuals.

The HEIR-0.1 library [48] is a fully ENDF-6 format library containing residual production cross sections, generated using the INCL++5.3.1 [49] and ABLAV3 [50] physics built into Geant4 [51, 52]. These are run for 1,000,000 incident particles of each energy on the 162-group grid from 30 MeV to 1 GeV.

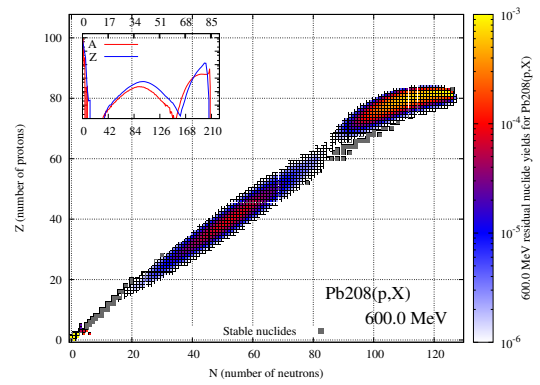
Example data for Pb208 with incident proton energies of 400, 600, 800 and 1000 MeV are shown in Figure 13.

For more details, visit: <http://fispact.ukaea.uk/nuclear-data>.

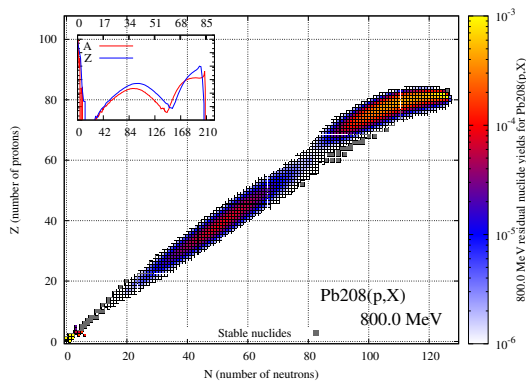
An additional set of HEAD-2009 nuclear data files for proton- and neutron-induced residual production cross sections from 150 MeV to 1 GeV are also included [53].



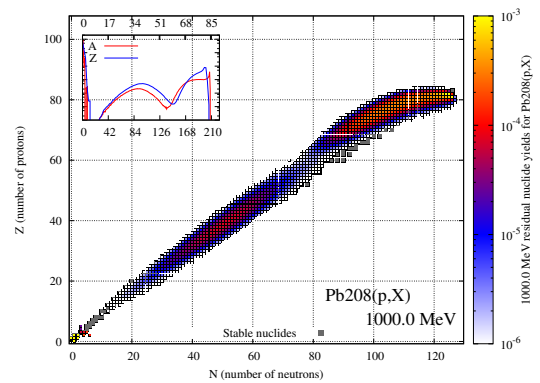
(13.1) 400 MeV



(13.2) 600 MeV



(13.3) 800 MeV



(13.4) 1 GeV

Figure 13: HEIR-0.1 proton induced residual cross sections for incident energies 400 MeV, 600 MeV, 800 MeV and 1 GeV.

A.4 ENDF-B.VII.1 Library Data

The Cross Section Evaluation Working Group (CSEWG) released the ENDF/B-VII.1 library [54] on 22 December 2011. The ENDF/B-VII.1 library is the US latest recommended evaluated nuclear data file for use in nuclear science and technology applications, and incorporates advances made in the five years since the release of ENDF/B-VII.0, including: many new evaluation in the neutron sublibrary (423 in all) and over 190 of these contain covariances, new fission product yields for 31 isotopes and a greatly expanded decay data sublibrary for 3817 radionuclides.

For more details, visit <http://www.nndc.bnl.gov/endl/b7.1/>.

On February 2, 2018, the ENDF/VIII.0 library was released [55] on the Brookhaven National Laboratory GForge: <https://ndclx4.bnl.gov/gf/project/endl/>. This includes numerous improvements in the neutron-induced cross sections, notably including the CIELO evaluations for major actinides, iron and oxygen, as well as various other upgrades. The decay data has also benefited from several updates.

A.5 JENDL-4.0 Library Data

The purpose of JENDL-4.0 [56] is to provide a Japanese standard library for fast breeder reactors, thermal reactors, fusion neutronics and shielding calculations, and other applications. The data libraries used have been updated to the JENDL-4.0u level of August 2013 for both the neutron reaction and fission yields sublibrary. JENDL FP Decay Data File 2011 [57] contains decay data of 1284 FP nuclides (of which 142 nuclides are stable) that includes recent TAGS (Total Absorption Gamma-ray Spectroscopy) information.

A 2015 update to the JENDL decay library has been added in the release 4.0, which includes a set of 3237 decay files for use with FISPACT-II. This is the recommended decay data for JENDL-based calculations.

For more details, visit <http://wwwndc.jaea.go.jp/jendl/j40/j40.html>.

A.6 JEFF-3.3 Library Data

The Joint Evaluated Fission and Fusion File is an evaluated library produced via an international collaboration of Data Bank member countries co-ordinated by the JEFF Scientific Co-ordination Group, under the auspices of the NEA Data Bank.

The new JEFF-3.3 general purpose library has been released in November 2017 and has been fully processed for FISPACT-II calculations. This library contains a set of neutron-incident group cross sections, as well as new fission yield and decay data evaluations.

For more details, visit <https://www.oecd-nea.org/dbdata/JEFF33/>.

The previous JEFF-3.2 general purpose library was released in March 2014 and is included in the distribution, as well. This comes with the JEFF-3.1.1 decay and fission yield evaluations.

For more details, visit https://www.oecd-nea.org/dbforms/data/eva/evatapes/jeff_32/.

A.7 EAF Library Data

The recommended library format for FISPACT-II version 3.0 and above is ENDF [15], but the code will still work for the format used by the older European Activation File (EAF) libraries. If the **LIBVERSION** keyword is set to zero, then following libraries are required by FISPACT-II:

- Cross-section data for projectile-induced reactions, where the projectile defaults to neutron, or may be one of the other four options given using the **PROJECTILE** keyword, and the energy group structure is one of those listed in Appendix A.8
- Uncertainty data for neutron-induced reactions
- Projectile spectrum data. These may be one of the ‘standard’ fluxes files provided with the library (see Appendix B), or may be a user-generated one (see page 78).
- Decay data
- Fission yield data for projectile-induced reactions, where the projectile may be neutron, deuteron or proton
- Biological hazard data
- Legal transport data
- Clearance data
- Gamma absorption data

The libraries are described in more detail below. It is a user’s choice to select from the 2003, 2005, 2007 or 2010 library versions, but only the 2010 library is distributed with Release 4.0 of FISPACT-II.

The EAF libraries are mapped to the input channels of FISPACT-II by using the unit names listed in Table 12 in a `files` file. The collapse and condense processes for EAF data corresponding to those shown in Figures 1 and 2 for ENDF data are given respectively in Figures 14 and 15.

Table 12: Mapping of internal unit names to external EAF library files.

unit name	unit number	EAF library file
absorp	39	Element gamma absorption data
ind_nuc	18	Index of materials included in run
ind_nuco	49	Output file for reduced index of materials from pathways
crossec	19	Cross-section library
crossunc	7	Cross-section fractional uncertainties library
decay	16	Decay data
fissyld	9	Fission yield data
asscfy	8	Links between fissionable nuclides and fission yields
a2data	11	A2 transport data
clear	40	Clearance data
hazards	14	Biological hazards data

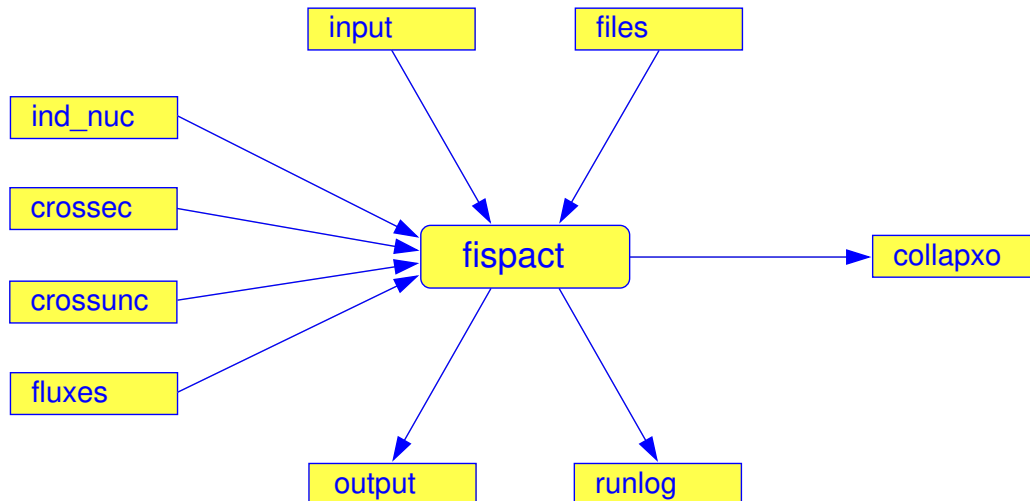


Figure 14: Files used in an EAF cross-section collapse run.

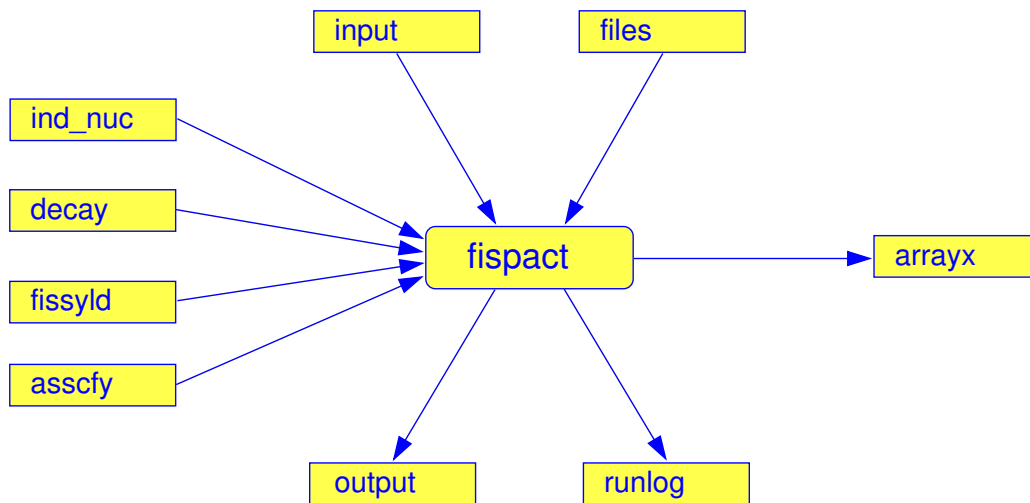


Figure 15: Files used in an EAF condense run.

A.7.1 Cross-section Data

This section gives a brief summary of the cross-section libraries. For more information, see References [8, 9, 11].

Groupwise neutron induced: eaf_n_gxs

Many group cross-section libraries in EAF format are available for the neutron-induced library that can be used as input to FISPACT-II. The group boundaries of the LANL (66), WIMS (69), GAM-II (100), CCFE (142), XMAS (172), VITAMIN-J (175), VITAMIN-J+ (211), TRIPOLI (315), TRIPOLI+ (351), LLNL (616) and CCFE (709) formats are listed in Appendix A.8, where details of the micro-flux weighting spectra are also given. Note that three choices of weighting spectra are available for the most general formats. This is necessary because of the very different neutron spectra found in pure fission or fusion applications; in addition a flat-weighting library is available for the other applications. The group boundaries of the LANL (66), WIMS (69), XMAS (172) and TRIPOLI (315) structures are appropriate for fission applications. The group boundaries of the GAM-II (100), VITAMIN-J (175) and TRIPOLI (315) structures are appropriate for fusion applications. The VITAMIN-J+ (211) and TRIPOLI+ (351) group structures cater for applications where the neutron flux may extend to 55 MeV. The LLNL (616), up to 20 MeV, and CCFE (709), up to 1 GeV, group structures cover all applications and energy ranges. The CCFE (162) group structure caters for all the charged particle (deuteron, proton, alpha) and gamma libraries up to 1 GeV.

Probability tables

The LLNL (616) and CCFE (709) neutron-induced cross-section libraries are also provided with a set of probability tables that cover the resolved and unresolved resonance ranges of any evaluations that contain a resonance parameters file. The CALENDF-2010 [14] code provides those probability tables in the energy range from 0.1 eV up to the end of the unresolved resonance range.

Groupwise deuteron induced: eaf_d_gxs

The deuteron-induced cross-section library is available in two group structures that can be used as input to FISPACT-II. These are the VITAMIN-J+ (211) and CCFE (162) formats, the group boundaries of which are listed in Tables 16 and 13. Only flat-weighting libraries are available, which are suitable for most applications.

Groupwise proton induced: eaf_p_gxs

The proton-induced cross-section library is available in two group structures that can be used as input to FISPACT-II. These are the VITAMIN-J+ (211) and CCFE (162) formats, the group boundaries of which are listed in Tables 16 and 13. Only flat-weighting libraries are available, which are suitable for most applications.

Uncertainty: eaf_un

A unique feature among activation libraries is the inclusion of an uncertainty file, eaf_un, containing data for all neutron-induced cross-sections. Reference [58] describes the uncertainty data for EAF 3.1 while reference [12] describes the modifications made for EAF-2010. The uncertainty data are greatly simplified but complete; no covariance information is provided. However the file enables FISPACT-II to give broad-brush estimates of uncertainties.

A.7.2 Decay Data: eaf_dec

In addition to cross-sections the other basic quantities required by an inventory code are data on the decay properties (such as half-life) of all the nuclides considered. These data are available in the various evaluated decay data libraries. FISPACT-II is able to read the data directly in ENDF-6 format; it requires no pre-processing to be done, although file debugging has always been found necessary. eaf_dec_20100 is based primarily on the JEFF-3.1.1 [59] and JEFF-2.2 [60] radioactive decay data libraries, with additional data from the most recent UK evaluations. However, not all of the

2233 nuclides that are needed are included in such sources. For these nuclides data are taken from sources such as Brown and Firestone [61] and ENDF-6 format files have been constructed. Reference [12] documents the `eaf_dec_20100` library.

Care has been taken to ensure that `eaf_xs` and `eaf_dec` are compatible. All nuclides (including isomeric states) that can be formed from the various reactions in `eaf_xs` are included so long as their half-lives are greater than 1 second. Some nuclides with shorter half-lives are included where it is felt that they are of particular importance. Short-lived (<1 s) isomers which return to the ground state by an isomeric transition usually have no impact on activation calculations and most of these have been ignored.

A.7.3 Fission Yield Data

Neutron: `eaf_n_fis` and `eaf_n_asscfy`

FISPACT-II requires fission yield data if actinides are included in the input materials. `eaf_n_fis` is taken completely from the JEFF-3.1.1 [59] fission yield library and FISPACT-II reads the file in ENDF-6 format with no pre-processing. Only 19 of the 102 nuclides in `eaf_n_xs` which have fission cross-sections have any fission yield data in JEFF-3.1.1 at relevant energies. For the remainder a neighbouring fission yield is used. For the EAF-2010 library, the file `eaf_n_asscfy_20100` connected to the stream `asscfy` contains these associations.

Deuteron: `eaf_d_fis` and `eaf_d_asscfy`

`eaf_d_fis` is taken completely from the UKFY-4.0 fission yield library [62] and FISPACT-II reads the file in ENDF-6 format with no pre-processing. Only 19 of the 90 nuclides in `eaf_d_xs` which have fission cross-sections have any fission yield data in UKFY-4.0 at relevant energies. For the remainder a neighbouring fission yield is used. For the EAF-2010 library, the file `eaf_d_asscfy_20100` connected to the stream `asscfy` contains these associations.

Proton: `eaf_p_fis` and `eaf_p_asscfy`

`eaf_p_fis` is taken completely from the UKFY-4.0 fission yield library and FISPACT-II reads the file in ENDF/B-VI format with no pre-processing. Only 19 of the 90 nuclides in `eaf_p_xs` which have fission cross-sections have any fission yield data in UKFY-4.0 at relevant energies. For the remainder a neighbouring fission yield is used. For the EAF-2010 library, the file `eaf_p_asscfy_20100` connected to the stream `asscfy` contains these associations.

A.7.4 Radiological Data

Biological hazard index: eaf_haz

Activity is one quantity used to judge the potential hazard of an irradiated material. However, activity takes no account of the biological impact on human beings. To enable FISPACT-II to give some indication of the potential biological hazard of irradiated materials, a library of dose coefficients has been assembled which determine the dose received by a man over his lifetime (50 years) following the ingestion or inhalation of 1 Bq of activity of a particular radionuclide.

The basic sources for these data are reports published by the ICRP [63, 64] and the NRPB [65, 66]. However, these sources primarily cover radionuclides generated by the fission power producing community and consequently only cover some of the nuclides that can arise in fusion applications. In order to extend the range of nuclides to all those in the EAF decay library it has been necessary to use an approximate method. Reference [67] describes how available data for an element are used with decay data for a nuclide to derive Committed Effective Doses per unit uptake for ingestion and inhalation for the nuclides with no data. In total 1209 nuclides have had data calculated approximately. References [13, 29] document the eaf_haz library.

Legal transport index: eaf_a2

Transport of radioactive material from place to place is governed by regulations set up by the IAEA. Reference [68] gives details of A2 values for certain radionuclides. Using these values it is possible to work out how much of a particular mixture of radioactive materials can be packed into a type of container and safely transported. Data from this reference for the nuclides listed are transferred to eaf_a2, with the default prescription given in reference [29] used for all radionuclides not explicitly listed. References [13, 29] document the eaf_a2 libraries. FISPACT-II can use these data to show the A2 limit for individual nuclides and the effective A2 value for the irradiated material.

Clearance index: eaf_clear

Disposal of radioactive material in special repositories is expensive. Regulations exist which determine activity levels for nuclides such that materials can be ‘cleared’ or disposed of as if they are not radioactive. Clearance data are being investigated by the IAEA and recommendations are available. Reference [69] gives details of suggested clearance values for certain radionuclides, while an earlier report (reference [70]) gives a formula that allows values for other nuclides to be calculated. Data from these references for the nuclides listed are transferred to eaf_clear, with the default prescription used for all radionuclides not explicitly listed. References [13, 29] document

the `eaf_clear` libraries. FISPACT-II can use these data to show the clearance index for individual nuclides and for the irradiated material.

A.7.5 Absorption Data: `eaf_abs`

The photon mass attenuation coefficient μ/ρ , and the mass energy-absorption coefficient μ_{en}/ρ for all elements with $Z = 1 - 100$ have been produced using the XGAM program from the National Institute of Standards and Technology [71]. The database covers energies of photons (X-ray, γ ray and bremsstrahlung) from 1 keV to 100 GeV and has been processed into a 24-group structure (1 keV - 20 MeV) identical to the FISPACT-II γ group structure. The present compilation follows that used in FISPACT-2007, and is an extension of the calculations of Seltzer [72]. It replaces the values given in Hubble [73] which were used in earlier FISPACT versions.

The present data differ from the Hubble set in the following respects:

1. The first 100 elements are included compared to the 40 selected elements previously covered;
2. All edge energies are included and identified and values of μ/ρ and μ_{en}/ρ are given just above and below each discontinuity to facilitate accurate interpolation.
3. Somewhat different values for the atomic photoeffect cross-section have been used for $Z = 2 - 54$;
4. For compounds and mixtures, values for μ/ρ can now be obtained by simple addition, i.e. combining values for the elements according to their proportions by weight. Radiative losses are now included;
5. The total cross-section per atom (σ_{tot}) which is related to μ/ρ can be written as the sum over contributions from the principal photon interactions:

$$\sigma_{tot} = \sigma_{pe} + \sigma_{coh} + \sigma_{incoh} + \sigma_{pair} + \sigma_{trip} + \sigma_{phn} \quad (7)$$

where σ_{pe} is the atomic photoeffect cross-section, σ_{coh} and σ_{incoh} are the coherent (Rayleigh) and incoherent (Compton) scattering cross-sections respectively, σ_{pair} and σ_{trip} are the cross-sections for electron-positron production in the fields of the nucleus and the atomic electrons respectively and σ_{phn} is the photonuclear cross-section. However, the latter contribution has been neglected as well as other less probable photon-atom interactions.

The `eaf_abs` file contains the photon mass energy attenuation coefficient (μ/ρ) for all the elements $Z = 1 - 100$ in increasing Z order. The attenuation coefficient (μ) and energy absorption coefficient (μ_{en}/ρ) for air are also listed. All data are stored in the same 24-group energy structure as shown in Table 6 on page 77.

A.8 Cross-section Group Structure

There are two standard group structures in the ENDF format used for the TENDL, ENDF-B.VII.1 (section A.4), JENDL-4.0 (A.5), and JEFF-3.3 (A.6) nuclear libraries. Data in these structures can be read into FISPACT-II. Other groups may be available on the FISPACT-II website or may be made available upon request.

Compared to EAF group structures, they have a finer energy grid, an increased an upper energy bound of 1 GeV, which allows the addition of α and γ -induced reactions and provides for more precise modelling of reaction thresholds and the resonance ranges. These groups are:

Name	Number of groups
CCFE	162
CCFE	709

The method of presentation in Table 13 and Table 14, below, is designed to make clear in which energy ranges particular structures have most groups and will therefore give a good representation of the cross-sections. Each group energy displayed (in eV) is the maximum energy of the group, with the minimum being given by the upper energy of the next group. The final entries are the minimum energy of the final group.

The CCFE (162) structure was introduced for studies of charged-particle projectiles and γ -induced activation and transmutation. The CCFE (709) group structure is an extension of the LLNL (616) structure. It has 50 tally bins per energy decade, equally spaced in the logarithm of the energy between 10^{-5} eV and 10 MeV, and thereafter bins with appropriately chosen equally-spaced boundaries in energy up to 1 GeV.

Table 13: Energy group boundaries for the CCFE 162 group structure.

CCFE 162 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
1	1.0000E+9	42	2.0000E+7	83	3.8750E+6	123	5.7500E+5
2	9.6000E+8	43	1.9000E+7	84	3.7500E+6	124	5.5000E+5
3	9.2000E+8	44	1.8000E+7	85	3.6250E+6	125	5.2500E+5
4	8.8000E+8	45	1.7000E+7	86	3.5000E+6	126	5.0000E+5
5	8.4000E+8	46	1.6000E+7	87	3.3750E+6	127	4.7500E+5
6	8.0000E+8	47	1.5000E+7	88	3.2500E+6	128	4.5000E+5
7	7.6000E+8	48	1.4000E+7	89	3.1250E+6	129	4.2500E+5
8	7.2000E+8	49	1.3000E+7	90	3.0000E+6	130	4.0000E+5
9	6.8000E+8	50	1.2000E+7	91	2.8750E+6	131	3.7500E+5
10	6.4000E+8	51	1.1000E+7	92	2.7500E+6	132	3.5000E+5
11	6.0000E+8	52	1.0000E+7	93	2.6250E+6	133	3.2500E+5
12	5.6000E+8	53	9.8000E+6	94	2.5000E+6	134	3.0000E+5
13	5.2000E+8	54	9.6000E+6	95	2.3750E+6	135	2.8000E+5
14	4.8000E+8	55	9.4000E+6	96	2.2500E+6	136	2.6000E+5
15	4.4000E+8	56	9.2000E+6	97	2.1250E+6	137	2.4000E+5
16	4.0000E+8	57	9.0000E+6	98	2.0000E+6	138	2.2000E+5

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CCFE 162 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
17	3.6000E+8	58	8.8000E+6	99	1.8750E+6	139	2.0000E+5
18	3.2000E+8	59	8.6000E+6	100	1.7500E+6	140	1.8000E+5
19	2.8000E+8	60	8.4000E+6	101	1.6250E+6	141	1.6000E+5
20	2.4000E+8	61	8.2000E+6	102	1.5000E+6	142	1.4000E+5
21	2.0000E+8	62	8.0000E+6	103	1.3750E+6	143	1.2000E+5
22	1.8000E+8	63	7.8000E+6	104	1.2500E+6	144	1.0000E+5
23	1.6000E+8	64	7.6000E+6	105	1.1250E+6	145	9.5000E+4
24	1.4000E+8	65	7.4000E+6	106	1.0000E+6	146	9.0000E+4
25	1.2000E+8	66	7.2000E+6	107	9.7500E+5	147	8.5000E+4
26	1.0000E+8	67	7.0000E+6	108	9.5000E+5	148	8.0000E+4
27	9.0000E+7	68	6.8000E+6	109	9.2500E+5	149	7.5000E+4
28	8.0000E+7	69	6.6000E+6	110	9.0000E+5	150	7.0000E+4
29	7.0000E+7	70	6.4000E+6	111	8.7500E+5	151	6.5000E+4
30	6.0000E+7	71	6.2000E+6	112	8.5000E+5	152	6.0000E+4
31	5.5000E+7	72	6.0000E+6	113	8.2500E+5	153	5.5000E+4
32	5.4000E+7	73	5.8000E+6	114	8.0000E+5	154	5.0000E+4
33	5.0000E+7	74	5.6000E+6	115	7.7500E+5	155	4.5000E+4
34	4.5000E+7	75	5.4000E+6	116	7.5000E+5	156	4.0000E+4
35	4.0000E+7	76	5.2000E+6	117	7.2500E+5	157	3.5000E+4
36	3.5000E+7	77	5.0000E+6	118	7.0000E+5	158	3.0000E+4
37	3.0000E+7	78	4.8000E+6	119	6.7500E+5	159	2.5000E+4
38	2.8000E+7	79	4.6000E+6	120	6.5000E+5	160	2.0000E+4
39	2.6000E+7	80	4.4000E+6	121	6.2500E+5	161	1.5000E+4
40	2.4000E+7	81	4.2000E+6	122	6.0000E+5	162	1.0000E+4
41	2.2000E+7	82	4.0000E+6				

Table 14: Energy group boundaries for the CCFE 709 group structure.

CCFE 709 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
1	1.0000E+9	179	4.1687E+5	357	1.1482E+2	535	3.1623E-2
2	9.6000E+8	180	3.9811E+5	358	1.0965E+2	536	3.0200E-2
3	9.2000E+8	181	3.8019E+5	359	1.0471E+2	537	2.8840E-2
4	8.8000E+8	182	3.6308E+5	360	1.0000E+2	538	2.7542E-2
5	8.4000E+8	183	3.4674E+5	361	9.5499E+1	539	2.6303E-2
6	8.0000E+8	184	3.3113E+5	362	9.1201E+1	540	2.5119E-2
7	7.6000E+8	185	3.1623E+5	363	8.7096E+1	541	2.3988E-2
8	7.2000E+8	186	3.0200E+5	364	8.3176E+1	542	2.2909E-2
9	6.8000E+8	187	2.8840E+5	365	7.9433E+1	543	2.1878E-2
10	6.4000E+8	188	2.7542E+5	366	7.5858E+1	544	2.0893E-2
11	6.0000E+8	189	2.6303E+5	367	7.2444E+1	545	1.9953E-2
12	5.6000E+8	190	2.5119E+5	368	6.9183E+1	546	1.9055E-2
13	5.2000E+8	191	2.3988E+5	369	6.6069E+1	547	1.8197E-2
14	4.8000E+8	192	2.2909E+5	370	6.3096E+1	548	1.7378E-2
15	4.4000E+8	193	2.1878E+5	371	6.0256E+1	549	1.6596E-2
16	4.0000E+8	194	2.0893E+5	372	5.7544E+1	550	1.5849E-2
17	3.6000E+8	195	1.9953E+5	373	5.4954E+1	551	1.5136E-2
18	3.2000E+8	196	1.9055E+5	374	5.2481E+1	552	1.4454E-2
19	2.8000E+8	197	1.8197E+5	375	5.0119E+1	553	1.3804E-2
20	2.4000E+8	198	1.7378E+5	376	4.7863E+1	554	1.3183E-2
21	2.0000E+8	199	1.6596E+5	377	4.5709E+1	555	1.2589E-2

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CCFE 709 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
22	1.8000E+8	200	1.5849E+5	378	4.3652E+1	556	1.2023E-2
23	1.6000E+8	201	1.5136E+5	379	4.1687E+1	557	1.1482E-2
24	1.5000E+8	202	1.4454E+5	380	3.9811E+1	558	1.0965E-2
25	1.4000E+8	203	1.3804E+5	381	3.8019E+1	559	1.0471E-2
26	1.3000E+8	204	1.3183E+5	382	3.6308E+1	560	1.0000E-2
27	1.2000E+8	205	1.2589E+5	383	3.4674E+1	561	9.5499E-3
28	1.1000E+8	206	1.2023E+5	384	3.3113E+1	562	9.1201E-3
29	1.0000E+8	207	1.1482E+5	385	3.1623E+1	563	8.7096E-3
30	9.0000E+7	208	1.0965E+5	386	3.0200E+1	564	8.3176E-3
31	8.0000E+7	209	1.0471E+5	387	2.8840E+1	565	7.9433E-3
32	7.5000E+7	210	1.0000E+5	388	2.7542E+1	566	7.5858E-3
33	7.0000E+7	211	9.5499E+4	389	2.6303E+1	567	7.2444E-3
34	6.5000E+7	212	9.1201E+4	390	2.5119E+1	568	6.9183E-3
35	6.0000E+7	213	8.7096E+4	391	2.3988E+1	569	6.6069E-3
36	5.8000E+7	214	8.3176E+4	392	2.2909E+1	570	6.3096E-3
37	5.6000E+7	215	7.9433E+4	393	2.1878E+1	571	6.0256E-3
38	5.4000E+7	216	7.5858E+4	394	2.0893E+1	572	5.7544E-3
39	5.2000E+7	217	7.2444E+4	395	1.9953E+1	573	5.4954E-3
40	5.0000E+7	218	6.9183E+4	396	1.9055E+1	574	5.2481E-3
41	4.8000E+7	219	6.6069E+4	397	1.8197E+1	575	5.0119E-3
42	4.6000E+7	220	6.3096E+4	398	1.7378E+1	576	4.7863E-3
43	4.4000E+7	221	6.0256E+4	399	1.6596E+1	577	4.5709E-3
44	4.2000E+7	222	5.7544E+4	400	1.5849E+1	578	4.3652E-3
45	4.0000E+7	223	5.4954E+4	401	1.5136E+1	579	4.1687E-3
46	3.8000E+7	224	5.2481E+4	402	1.4454E+1	580	3.9811E-3
47	3.6000E+7	225	5.0119E+4	403	1.3804E+1	581	3.8019E-3
48	3.4000E+7	226	4.7863E+4	404	1.3183E+1	582	3.6308E-3
49	3.2000E+7	227	4.5709E+4	405	1.2589E+1	583	3.4674E-3
50	3.0000E+7	228	4.3652E+4	406	1.2023E+1	584	3.3113E-3
51	2.9000E+7	229	4.1687E+4	407	1.1482E+1	585	3.1623E-3
52	2.8000E+7	230	3.9811E+4	408	1.0965E+1	586	3.0200E-3
53	2.7000E+7	231	3.8019E+4	409	1.0471E+1	587	2.8840E-3
54	2.6000E+7	232	3.6308E+4	410	1.0000E+1	588	2.7542E-3
55	2.5000E+7	233	3.4674E+4	411	9.5499E+0	589	2.6303E-3
56	2.4000E+7	234	3.3113E+4	412	9.1201E+0	590	2.5119E-3
57	2.3000E+7	235	3.1623E+4	413	8.7096E+0	591	2.3988E-3
58	2.2000E+7	236	3.0200E+4	414	8.3176E+0	592	2.2909E-3
59	2.1000E+7	237	2.8840E+4	415	7.9433E+0	593	2.1878E-3
60	2.0000E+7	238	2.7542E+4	416	7.5858E+0	594	2.0893E-3
61	1.9800E+7	239	2.6303E+4	417	7.2444E+0	595	1.9953E-3
62	1.9600E+7	240	2.5119E+4	418	6.9183E+0	596	1.9055E-3
63	1.9400E+7	241	2.3988E+4	419	6.6069E+0	597	1.8197E-3
64	1.9200E+7	242	2.2909E+4	420	6.3096E+0	598	1.7378E-3
65	1.9000E+7	243	2.1878E+4	421	6.0256E+0	599	1.6596E-3
66	1.8800E+7	244	2.0893E+4	422	5.7544E+0	600	1.5849E-3
67	1.8600E+7	245	1.9953E+4	423	5.4954E+0	601	1.5136E-3
68	1.8400E+7	246	1.9055E+4	424	5.2481E+0	602	1.4454E-3
69	1.8200E+7	247	1.8197E+4	425	5.0119E+0	603	1.3804E-3
70	1.8000E+7	248	1.7378E+4	426	4.7863E+0	604	1.3183E-3
71	1.7800E+7	249	1.6596E+4	427	4.5709E+0	605	1.2589E-3
72	1.7600E+7	250	1.5849E+4	428	4.3652E+0	606	1.2023E-3
73	1.7400E+7	251	1.5136E+4	429	4.1687E+0	607	1.1482E-3

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CCFE 709 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
74	1.7200E+7	252	1.4454E+4	430	3.9811E+0	608	1.0965E-3
75	1.7000E+7	253	1.3804E+4	431	3.8019E+0	609	1.0471E-3
76	1.6800E+7	254	1.3183E+4	432	3.6308E+0	610	1.0000E-3
77	1.6600E+7	255	1.2589E+4	433	3.4674E+0	611	9.5499E-4
78	1.6400E+7	256	1.2023E+4	434	3.3113E+0	612	9.1201E-4
79	1.6200E+7	257	1.1482E+4	435	3.1623E+0	613	8.7096E-4
80	1.6000E+7	258	1.0965E+4	436	3.0200E+0	614	8.3176E-4
81	1.5800E+7	259	1.0471E+4	437	2.8840E+0	615	7.9433E-4
82	1.5600E+7	260	1.0000E+4	438	2.7542E+0	616	7.5858E-4
83	1.5400E+7	261	9.5499E+3	439	2.6303E+0	617	7.2444E-4
84	1.5200E+7	262	9.1201E+3	440	2.5119E+0	618	6.9183E-4
85	1.5000E+7	263	8.7096E+3	441	2.3988E+0	619	6.6069E-4
86	1.4800E+7	264	8.3176E+3	442	2.2909E+0	620	6.3096E-4
87	1.4600E+7	265	7.9433E+3	443	2.1878E+0	621	6.0256E-4
88	1.4400E+7	266	7.5858E+3	444	2.0893E+0	622	5.7544E-4
89	1.4200E+7	267	7.2444E+3	445	1.9953E+0	623	5.4954E-4
90	1.4000E+7	268	6.9183E+3	446	1.9055E+0	624	5.2481E-4
91	1.3800E+7	269	6.6069E+3	447	1.8197E+0	625	5.0119E-4
92	1.3600E+7	270	6.3096E+3	448	1.7378E+0	626	4.7863E-4
93	1.3400E+7	271	6.0256E+3	449	1.6596E+0	627	4.5709E-4
94	1.3200E+7	272	5.7544E+3	450	1.5849E+0	628	4.3652E-4
95	1.3000E+7	273	5.4954E+3	451	1.5136E+0	629	4.1687E-4
96	1.2800E+7	274	5.2481E+3	452	1.4454E+0	630	3.9811E-4
97	1.2600E+7	275	5.0119E+3	453	1.3804E+0	631	3.8019E-4
98	1.2400E+7	276	4.7863E+3	454	1.3183E+0	632	3.6308E-4
99	1.2200E+7	277	4.5709E+3	455	1.2589E+0	633	3.4674E-4
100	1.2000E+7	278	4.3652E+3	456	1.2023E+0	634	3.3113E-4
101	1.1800E+7	279	4.1687E+3	457	1.1482E+0	635	3.1623E-4
102	1.1600E+7	280	3.9811E+3	458	1.0965E+0	636	3.0200E-4
103	1.1400E+7	281	3.8019E+3	459	1.0471E+0	637	2.8840E-4
104	1.1200E+7	282	3.6308E+3	460	1.0000E+0	638	2.7542E-4
105	1.1000E+7	283	3.4674E+3	461	9.5499E-1	639	2.6303E-4
106	1.0800E+7	284	3.3113E+3	462	9.1201E-1	640	2.5119E-4
107	1.0600E+7	285	3.1623E+3	463	8.7096E-1	641	2.3988E-4
108	1.0400E+7	286	3.0200E+3	464	8.3176E-1	642	2.2909E-4
109	1.0200E+7	287	2.8840E+3	465	7.9433E-1	643	2.1878E-4
110	1.0000E+7	288	2.7542E+3	466	7.5858E-1	644	2.0893E-4
111	9.5499E+6	289	2.6303E+3	467	7.2444E-1	645	1.9953E-4
112	9.1201E+6	290	2.5119E+3	468	6.9183E-1	646	1.9055E-4
113	8.7096E+6	291	2.3988E+3	469	6.6069E-1	647	1.8197E-4
114	8.3176E+6	292	2.2909E+3	470	6.3096E-1	648	1.7378E-4
115	7.9433E+6	293	2.1878E+3	471	6.0256E-1	649	1.6596E-4
116	7.5858E+6	294	2.0893E+3	472	5.7544E-1	650	1.5849E-4
117	7.2444E+6	295	1.9953E+3	473	5.4954E-1	651	1.5136E-4
118	6.9183E+6	296	1.9055E+3	474	5.2481E-1	652	1.4454E-4
119	6.6069E+6	297	1.8197E+3	475	5.0119E-1	653	1.3804E-4
120	6.3096E+6	298	1.7378E+3	476	4.7863E-1	654	1.3183E-4
121	6.0256E+6	299	1.6596E+3	477	4.5709E-1	655	1.2589E-4
122	5.7544E+6	300	1.5849E+3	478	4.3652E-1	656	1.2023E-4
123	5.4954E+6	301	1.5136E+3	479	4.1687E-1	657	1.1482E-4
124	5.2481E+6	302	1.4454E+3	480	3.9811E-1	658	1.0965E-4
125	5.0119E+6	303	1.3804E+3	481	3.8019E-1	659	1.0471E-4

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CCFE 709 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
126	4.7863E+6	304	1.3183E+3	482	3.6308E-1	660	1.0000E-4
127	4.5709E+6	305	1.2589E+3	483	3.4674E-1	661	9.5499E-5
128	4.3652E+6	306	1.2023E+3	484	3.3113E-1	662	9.1201E-5
129	4.1687E+6	307	1.1482E+3	485	3.1623E-1	663	8.7096E-5
130	3.9811E+6	308	1.0965E+3	486	3.0200E-1	664	8.3176E-5
131	3.8019E+6	309	1.0471E+3	487	2.8840E-1	665	7.9433E-5
132	3.6308E+6	310	1.0000E+3	488	2.7542E-1	666	7.5858E-5
133	3.4674E+6	311	9.5499E+2	489	2.6303E-1	667	7.2444E-5
134	3.3113E+6	312	9.1201E+2	490	2.5119E-1	668	6.9183E-5
135	3.1623E+6	313	8.7096E+2	491	2.3988E-1	669	6.6069E-5
136	3.0200E+6	314	8.3176E+2	492	2.2909E-1	670	6.3096E-5
137	2.8840E+6	315	7.9433E+2	493	2.1878E-1	671	6.0256E-5
138	2.7542E+6	316	7.5858E+2	494	2.0893E-1	672	5.7544E-5
139	2.6303E+6	317	7.2444E+2	495	1.9953E-1	673	5.4954E-5
140	2.5119E+6	318	6.9183E+2	496	1.9055E-1	674	5.2481E-5
141	2.3988E+6	319	6.6069E+2	497	1.8197E-1	675	5.0119E-5
142	2.2909E+6	320	6.3096E+2	498	1.7378E-1	676	4.7863E-5
143	2.1878E+6	321	6.0256E+2	499	1.6596E-1	677	4.5709E-5
144	2.0893E+6	322	5.7544E+2	500	1.5849E-1	678	4.3652E-5
145	1.9953E+6	323	5.4954E+2	501	1.5136E-1	679	4.1687E-5
146	1.9055E+6	324	5.2481E+2	502	1.4454E-1	680	3.9811E-5
147	1.8197E+6	325	5.0119E+2	503	1.3804E-1	681	3.8019E-5
148	1.7378E+6	326	4.7863E+2	504	1.3183E-1	682	3.6308E-5
149	1.6596E+6	327	4.5709E+2	505	1.2589E-1	683	3.4674E-5
150	1.5849E+6	328	4.3652E+2	506	1.2023E-1	684	3.3113E-5
151	1.5136E+6	329	4.1687E+2	507	1.1482E-1	685	3.1623E-5
152	1.4454E+6	330	3.9811E+2	508	1.0965E-1	686	3.0200E-5
153	1.3804E+6	331	3.8019E+2	509	1.0471E-1	687	2.8840E-5
154	1.3183E+6	332	3.6308E+2	510	1.0000E-1	688	2.7542E-5
155	1.2589E+6	333	3.4674E+2	511	9.5499E-2	689	2.6303E-5
156	1.2023E+6	334	3.3113E+2	512	9.1201E-2	690	2.5119E-5
157	1.1482E+6	335	3.1623E+2	513	8.7096E-2	691	2.3988E-5
158	1.0965E+6	336	3.0200E+2	514	8.3176E-2	692	2.2909E-5
159	1.0471E+6	337	2.8840E+2	515	7.9433E-2	693	2.1878E-5
160	1.0000E+6	338	2.7542E+2	516	7.5858E-2	694	2.0893E-5
161	9.5499E+5	339	2.6303E+2	517	7.2444E-2	695	1.9953E-5
162	9.1201E+5	340	2.5119E+2	518	6.9183E-2	696	1.9055E-5
163	8.7096E+5	341	2.3988E+2	519	6.6069E-2	697	1.8197E-5
164	8.3176E+5	342	2.2909E+2	520	6.3096E-2	698	1.7378E-5
165	7.9433E+5	343	2.1878E+2	521	6.0256E-2	699	1.6596E-5
166	7.5858E+5	344	2.0893E+2	522	5.7544E-2	700	1.5849E-5
167	7.2444E+5	345	1.9953E+2	523	5.4954E-2	701	1.5136E-5
168	6.9183E+5	346	1.9055E+2	524	5.2481E-2	702	1.4454E-5
169	6.6069E+5	347	1.8197E+2	525	5.0119E-2	703	1.3804E-5
170	6.3096E+5	348	1.7378E+2	526	4.7863E-2	704	1.3183E-5
171	6.0256E+5	349	1.6596E+2	527	4.5709E-2	705	1.2589E-5
172	5.7544E+5	350	1.5849E+2	528	4.3652E-2	706	1.2023E-5
173	5.4954E+5	351	1.5136E+2	529	4.1687E-2	707	1.1482E-5
174	5.2481E+5	352	1.4454E+2	530	3.9811E-2	708	1.0965E-5
175	5.0119E+5	353	1.3804E+2	531	3.8019E-2	709	1.0471E-5
176	4.7863E+5	354	1.3183E+2	532	3.6308E-2		
177	4.5709E+5	355	1.2589E+2	533	3.4674E-2		

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CCFE 709 group structure					
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
178	4.3652E+5	356	1.2023E+2	534	3.3113E-2

EAF Cross-section Group Structures

There are nine standard group structures are used for the European Activation File; data in all these structures can be read into FISPACT-II.

Table 15 lists the group structures for the five original cases with upper energy limits of 20 MeV:

Name	Number of groups
WIMS	69
GAM-II	100
XMAS	172
VITAMIN-J	175
TRIPOLI	315

The method of presentation in Table 15 is designed to make clear in which energy ranges particular structures have most groups and will therefore give a good representation of the cross-sections. Each group energy displayed (in eV) is the maximum energy of the group, with the minimum being given by the upper energy of the next group. The final entries are the minimum energy of the final group.

Table 16 lists the two original high-energy structures: VITAMIN-J+ (211 groups) and TRIPOLI+ (351 groups), which are still limited to 55 MeV and below. Table 16 omits the lower-energy groups below 20 MeV which are the same as the VITAMIN-J and TRIPOLI groups.

A further two group structures have been added to provide for more precise modelling of reaction thresholds and the resonance ranges. These additional groups are:

Name	Number of groups
LANL	66
LLNL	616

Table 15: Energy group boundaries for the five low-energy standard structures.

TRIPOLI (315)		VITAMIN-J (175)		GAMM-II (100)		XMAS (172)		WIMS (69)	
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
1	1.9640E+7	1	1.9640E+7			1	1.9640E+7		
2	1.7330E+7	2	1.7333E+7			2	1.7333E+7		
3	1.6910E+7	3	1.6905E+7						

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TRIPOLI (315)		VITAMIN-J (175)		GAMM-II (100)		XMAS (172)		WIMS (69)	
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
4	1.6490E+7	4	1.6487E+7						
5	1.5680E+7	5	1.5683E+7						
6	1.4920E+7	6	1.4918E+7	1	1.4918E+7	3	1.4918E+7		
7	1.4550E+7	7	1.4550E+7						
8	1.4190E+7	8	1.4191E+7						
9	1.3840E+7	9	1.3840E+7			4	1.3840E+7		
10	1.3500E+7	10	1.3499E+7	2	1.3498E+7				
11	1.2840E+7	11	1.2840E+7						
		12	1.2523E+7						
12	1.2210E+7	13	1.2214E+7	3	1.2214E+7				
13	1.1620E+7	14	1.1618E+7			5	1.1618E+7		
14	1.1050E+7	15	1.1052E+7	4	1.1052E+7				
15	1.0510E+7	16	1.0513E+7						
16	1.0000E+7	17	1.0000E+7	5	9.9998E+6	6	1.0000E+7	1	1.0000E+7
17	9.5120E+6	18	9.5123E+6						
18	9.0480E+6	19	9.0484E+6	6	9.0482E+6				
19	8.6070E+6	20	8.6071E+6						
20	8.1870E+6	21	8.1873E+6	7	8.1872E+6	7	8.1873E+6		
21	7.7880E+6	22	7.7880E+6						
22	7.4080E+6	23	7.4082E+6	8	7.4081E+6				
23	7.0470E+6	24	7.0469E+6						
24	6.7030E+6	25	6.7032E+6	9	6.7031E+6	8	6.7032E+6		
25	6.5920E+6	26	6.5924E+6						
26	6.3760E+6	27	6.3763E+6						
27	6.0650E+6	28	6.0653E+6	10	6.0652E+6	9	6.0653E+6	2	6.0660E+6
28	5.7690E+6	29	5.7695E+6						
29	5.4880E+6	30	5.4881E+6	11	5.4880E+6	10	5.4881E+6		
30	5.2200E+6	31	5.2205E+6						
31	4.9660E+6	32	4.9659E+6	12	4.9658E+6				
32	4.7240E+6	33	4.7237E+6						
33	4.4930E+6	34	4.4933E+6	13	4.4932E+6	11	4.4933E+6		
34	4.0660E+6	35	4.0657E+6	14	4.0656E+6				
35	3.6790E+6	36	3.6788E+6	15	3.6787E+6	12	3.6788E+6	3	3.6790E+6
36	3.3290E+6	37	3.3287E+6	16	3.3287E+6				
37	3.1660E+6	38	3.1664E+6						
38	3.0120E+6	39	3.0119E+6	17	3.0119E+6	13	3.0119E+6		
39	2.8650E+6	40	2.8651E+6						
40	2.7250E+6	41	2.7253E+6	18	2.7253E+6				
41	2.5920E+6	42	2.5924E+6						
42	2.4660E+6	43	2.4660E+6	19	2.4659E+6	14	2.4660E+6		
43	2.3850E+6	44	2.3851E+6						
44	2.3650E+6	45	2.3653E+6						
45	2.3460E+6	46	2.3457E+6						
46	2.3070E+6	47	2.3069E+6						
47	2.2310E+6	48	2.2313E+6	20	2.2313E+6	15	2.2313E+6	4	2.2310E+6
48	2.1220E+6	49	2.1225E+6						
49	2.0190E+6	50	2.0190E+6	21	2.0189E+6	16	2.0190E+6		
50	1.9210E+6	51	1.9205E+6						
51	1.8270E+6	52	1.8268E+6	22	1.8268E+6				
52	1.7380E+6	53	1.7377E+6						
53	1.6530E+6	54	1.6530E+6	23	1.6530E+6	17	1.6530E+6		
54	1.5720E+6	55	1.5724E+6						

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TRIPOLI (315)		VITAMIN-J (175)		GAMM-II (100)		XMAS (172)		WIMS (69)	
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
55	1.4960E+6	56	1.4957E+6	24	1.4957E+6				
56	1.4230E+6	57	1.4227E+6						
57	1.3530E+6	58	1.3534E+6	25	1.3533E+6	18	1.3534E+6	5	1.3530E+6
58	1.2870E+6	59	1.2874E+6						
59	1.2250E+6	60	1.2246E+6	26	1.2245E+6	19	1.2246E+6		
60	1.1650E+6	61	1.1648E+6						
61	1.1080E+6	62	1.1080E+6	27	1.1080E+6	20	1.1080E+6		
62	1.0030E+6	63	1.0026E+6	28	1.0026E+6	21	1.0026E+6		
63	9.6160E+5	64	9.6167E+5						
64	9.0720E+5	65	9.0718E+5	29	9.0716E+5	22	9.0718E+5		
65	8.6290E+5	66	8.6294E+5						
66	8.2090E+5	67	8.2085E+5	30	8.2084E+5	23	8.2085E+5	6	8.2100E+5
67	7.8080E+5	68	7.8082E+5						
68	7.4270E+5	69	7.4274E+5	31	7.4272E+5				
69	7.0650E+5	70	7.0651E+5						
70	6.7210E+5	71	6.7206E+5	32	6.7204E+5				
71	6.3930E+5	72	6.3928E+5						
72	6.0810E+5	73	6.0810E+5	33	6.0809E+5	24	6.0810E+5		
73	5.7840E+5	74	5.7844E+5						
74	5.5020E+5	75	5.5023E+5	34	5.5022E+5	25	5.5023E+5	7	5.0000E+5
75	5.2340E+5	76	5.2340E+5						
		77	4.9787E+5	35	4.9786E+5	26	4.9787E+5		
76	4.5050E+5	78	4.5049E+5	36	4.5048E+5	27	4.5049E+5		
77	4.0760E+5	79	4.0762E+5	37	4.0762E+5	28	4.0762E+5		
78	3.8770E+5	80	3.8774E+5						
79	3.6880E+5	81	3.6883E+5	38	3.6883E+5				
80	3.3370E+5	82	3.3373E+5	39	3.3373E+5				
81	3.0200E+5	83	3.0197E+5	40	3.0197E+5	29	3.0197E+5	8	3.0250E+5
82	2.9850E+5	84	2.9849E+5						
83	2.9720E+5	85	2.9721E+5						
84	2.9450E+5	86	2.9452E+5						
85	2.8730E+5	87	2.8725E+5						
86	2.7320E+5	88	2.7324E+5	41	2.7323E+5	30	2.7324E+5		
87	2.4720E+5	89	2.4724E+5	42	2.4723E+5	31	2.4724E+5		
88	2.3520E+5	90	2.3518E+5						
89	2.2370E+5	91	2.2371E+5	43	2.2370E+5				
90	2.1280E+5	92	2.1280E+5						
91	2.0240E+5	93	2.0242E+5	44	2.0242E+5				
92	1.9250E+5	94	1.9255E+5						
93	1.8320E+5	95	1.8316E+5	45	1.8315E+5	32	1.8316E+5	9	1.8300E+5
94	1.7420E+5	96	1.7422E+5						
95	1.6570E+5	97	1.6573E+5	46	1.6572E+5				
96	1.5760E+5	98	1.5764E+5						
97	1.5000E+5	99	1.4996E+5	47	1.4995E+5				
98	1.4260E+5	100	1.4264E+5						
99	1.3570E+5	101	1.3569E+5	48	1.3568E+5				
100	1.2910E+5	102	1.2907E+5						
101	1.2280E+5	103	1.2277E+5	49	1.2277E+5	33	1.2277E+5		
102	1.1680E+5	104	1.1679E+5						
103	1.1110E+5	105	1.1109E+5	50	1.1109E+5	34	1.1109E+5	10	1.1100E+5
104	9.8040E+4	106	9.8037E+4						
105	8.6520E+4	107	8.6517E+4	51	8.6516E+4				

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TRIPOLI (315)		VITAMIN-J (175)		GAMM-II (100)		XMAS (172)		WIMS (69)	
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
106	8.2500E+4	108	8.2503E+4						
107	8.2300E+4					35	8.2298E+4		
108	7.9500E+4	109	7.9499E+4						
109	7.4990E+4								
110	7.2000E+4	110	7.2025E+4						
111	6.7380E+4	111	6.7380E+4	52	6.7378E+4	36	6.7380E+4	11	6.7340E+4
112	6.1730E+4								
113	5.6560E+4	112	5.6562E+4						
114	5.5170E+4					37	5.5166E+4		
115	5.2480E+4	113	5.2475E+4	53	5.2474E+4				
116	4.9390E+4								
117	4.6310E+4	114	4.6309E+4						
118	4.3590E+4								
119	4.0870E+4	115	4.0868E+4	54	4.0867E+4	38	4.0868E+4	12	4.0850E+4
120	3.6980E+4					39	3.6979E+4		
121	3.4310E+4	116	3.4307E+4						
122	3.1830E+4	117	3.1828E+4	55	3.1827E+4				
123	3.1620E+4								
124	3.0730E+4								
125	2.9850E+4								
126	2.9010E+4					40	2.9283E+4		
127	2.8500E+4	118	2.8501E+4						
128	2.8180E+4								
129	2.7380E+4					41	2.7394E+4		
130	2.7000E+4	119	2.7000E+4						
131	2.6610E+4								
132	2.6060E+4	120	2.6058E+4						
133	2.5850E+4								
134	2.5120E+4								
135	2.4790E+4	121	2.4788E+4	56	2.4787E+4	42	2.4788E+4	13	2.4780E+4
136	2.4410E+4								
137	2.4180E+4	122	2.4176E+4						
138	2.3580E+4	123	2.3579E+4						
139	2.3040E+4								
140	2.2390E+4								
141	2.1870E+4	124	2.1875E+4						
142	2.1130E+4								
143	2.0540E+4								
144	1.9950E+4								
145	1.9310E+4	125	1.9305E+4	57	1.9304E+4				
146	1.7780E+4								
147	1.6620E+4					43	1.6616E+4		
148	1.5850E+4								
149	1.5030E+4	126	1.5034E+4	58	1.5034E+4	44	1.5034E+4	14	1.5030E+4
150	1.3830E+4								
151	1.2730E+4								
152	1.1710E+4	127	1.1709E+4	59	1.1709E+4				
153	1.1140E+4					45	1.1138E+4		
		128	1.0595E+4						
154	1.0080E+4								
155	9.1190E+3	129	9.1188E+3	60	9.1187E+3	46	9.1188E+3	15	9.1180E+3
156	8.2510E+3								

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TRIPOLI (315)		VITAMIN-J (175)		GAMM-II (100)		XMAS (172)		WIMS (69)	
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
157	7.4660E+3					47	7.4659E+3		
158	7.1020E+3	130	7.1017E+3	61	7.1016E+3				
159	6.2670E+3								
160	5.5310E+3	131	5.5308E+3	62	5.5308E+3	48	5.5308E+3	16	5.5300E+3
161	5.0040E+3					49	5.0045E+3		
162	4.6430E+3								
163	4.3070E+3	132	4.3074E+3	63	4.3074E+3				
164	3.9810E+3								
165	3.7070E+3	133	3.7074E+3						
166	3.5480E+3					50	3.5266E+3	17	3.5190E+3
167	3.3550E+3	134	3.3546E+3	64	3.3546E+3	51	3.3546E+3		
168	3.1620E+3								
169	3.0350E+3	135	3.0354E+3						
170	2.8180E+3								
171	2.7470E+3	136	2.7465E+3						
172	2.6610E+3								
173	2.6130E+3	137	2.6126E+3	65	2.6125E+3				
174	2.4850E+3	138	2.4852E+3						
175	2.3710E+3								
176	2.2490E+3	139	2.2487E+3			52	2.2487E+3	18	2.2390E+3
177	2.1130E+3								
178	2.0350E+3	140	2.0347E+3	66	2.0347E+3	53	2.0347E+3		
179	1.7960E+3								
180	1.5850E+3	141	1.5846E+3	67	1.5846E+3				
181	1.5070E+3					54	1.5073E+3		
						55	1.4338E+3	19	1.4250E+3
182	1.3640E+3								
183	1.2340E+3	142	1.2341E+3	68	1.2341E+3	56	1.2341E+3		
184	1.1170E+3								
185	1.0100E+3					57	1.0104E+3		
186	9.6110E+2	143	9.6112E+2	69	9.6110E+2				
						58	9.1424E+2	20	9.0690E+2
187	8.4820E+2								
188	7.4850E+2	144	7.4852E+2	70	7.4851E+2	59	7.4852E+2		
189	7.0790E+2								
190	6.7730E+2					60	6.7729E+2		
191	6.3100E+2								
192	5.8300E+2	145	5.8295E+2	71	5.8294E+2				
193	5.1450E+2								
194	4.5400E+2	146	4.5400E+2	72	4.5399E+2	61	4.5400E+2		
195	3.9810E+2								
						62	3.7170E+2	21	3.6730E+2
196	3.5360E+2	147	3.5358E+2	73	3.5357E+2				
197	3.0430E+2					63	3.0433E+2		
198	2.7540E+2	148	2.7536E+2	74	2.7536E+2				
199	2.4300E+2								
200	2.1450E+2	149	2.1445E+2	75	2.1445E+2				
201	2.0400E+2					64	2.0400E+2		
202	1.7780E+2								
203	1.6700E+2	150	1.6702E+2	76	1.6701E+2				
204	1.5850E+2								
						65	1.4863E+2	22	1.4870E+2

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TRIPOLI (315)		VITAMIN-J (175)		GAMM-II (100)		XMAS (172)		WIMS (69)	
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
205	1.3670E+2					66	1.3674E+2		
206	1.3010E+2	151	1.3007E+2	77	1.3007E+2				
207	1.1220E+2								
208	1.0130E+2	152	1.0130E+2	78	1.0130E+2				
209	9.1660E+1					67	9.1661E+1		
210	8.5280E+1								
211	7.8890E+1	153	7.8893E+1	79	7.8892E+1				
						68	7.5674E+1	23	7.5500E+1
212	7.0790E+1								
213	6.7900E+1					69	6.7904E+1		
214	6.3100E+1								
215	6.1440E+1	154	6.1442E+1	80	6.1441E+1				
216	5.5590E+1					70	5.5595E+1		
						71	5.1578E+1		
217	5.0120E+1								
						72	4.8252E+1	24	4.8050E+1
218	4.7850E+1	155	4.7851E+1	81	4.7850E+1				
219	4.5520E+1					73	4.5517E+1		
220	3.9810E+1					74	4.0169E+1		
221	3.7270E+1	156	3.7267E+1	82	3.7266E+1	75	3.7267E+1		
222	3.3890E+1					76	3.3720E+1		
223	3.0510E+1					77	3.0511E+1		
224	2.9200E+1	157	2.9023E+1	83	2.9023E+1				
225	2.7920E+1					78	2.7608E+1	25	2.7700E+1
226	2.4980E+1					79	2.4981E+1		
227	2.2600E+1	158	2.2603E+1	84	2.2603E+1	80	2.2603E+1		
228	2.0450E+1								
229	1.9030E+1					81	1.9455E+1		
230	1.7600E+1	159	1.7604E+1	85	1.7603E+1				
231	1.6740E+1								
						82	1.5928E+1	26	1.5970E+1
232	1.5230E+1								
233	1.3710E+1	160	1.3710E+1	86	1.3709E+1	83	1.3710E+1		
234	1.2590E+1								
235	1.1220E+1					84	1.1225E+1		
236	1.0680E+1	161	1.0677E+1	87	1.0677E+1				
237	1.0000E+1					85	9.9056E+0	27	9.8770E+0
238	9.1900E+0					86	9.1898E+0		
239	8.9130E+0								
240	8.3150E+0	162	8.3153E+0	88	8.3152E+0	87	8.3153E+0		
241	7.9430E+0								
242	7.5240E+0					88	7.5240E+0		
243	7.0790E+0								
244	6.4760E+0	163	6.4760E+0	89	6.4758E+0				
245	6.1600E+0					89	6.1601E+0		
246	5.6230E+0					90	5.3464E+0		
247	5.0430E+0	164	5.0435E+0	90	5.0434E+0	91	5.0435E+0		
248	4.6700E+0								
249	4.4700E+0								
250	4.1290E+0					92	4.1293E+0		
						93	4.0000E+0	28	4.0000E+0
251	3.9280E+0	165	3.9279E+0	91	3.9278E+0				

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TRIPOLI (315)		VITAMIN-J (175)		GAMM-II (100)		XMAS (172)		WIMS (69)	
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
252	3.3810E+0					94	3.3808E+0		
						95	3.3000E+0	29	3.3000E+0
253	3.0590E+0	166	3.0590E+0	92	3.0590E+0				
254	2.7680E+0					96	2.7679E+0		
						97	2.7200E+0		
						98	2.6000E+0	30	2.6000E+0
						99	2.5500E+0		
255	2.3720E+0	167	2.3824E+0	93	2.3823E+0				
256	2.3600E+0					100	2.3600E+0		
257	2.1300E+0					101	2.1300E+0		
						102	2.1000E+0	31	2.1000E+0
						103	2.0200E+0		
258	2.0200E+0					104	1.9300E+0		
259	1.9300E+0								
260	1.8550E+0	168	1.8554E+0	94	1.8554E+0				
261	1.8400E+0					105	1.8400E+0		
262	1.7550E+0					106	1.7550E+0		
263	1.6700E+0					107	1.6700E+0		
264	1.5900E+0					108	1.5900E+0		
265	1.5100E+0					109	1.5000E+0	32	1.5000E+0
						110	1.4750E+0		
266	1.4450E+0	169	1.4450E+0	95	1.4450E+0	111	1.4450E+0		
267	1.4400E+0								
268	1.3700E+0					112	1.3700E+0		
						113	1.3375E+0		
269	1.3050E+0					114	1.3000E+0	33	1.3000E+0
270	1.2350E+0					115	1.2350E+0		
271	1.1700E+0					116	1.1700E+0		
						117	1.1500E+0	34	1.1500E+0
272	1.1250E+0	170	1.1254E+0	96	1.1253E+0	118	1.1254E+0	35	1.1230E+0
273	1.1100E+0					119	1.1100E+0		
						120	1.0970E+0	36	1.0970E+0
274	1.0900E+0								
275	1.0800E+0								
276	1.0700E+0					121	1.0710E+0	37	1.0710E+0
						122	1.0450E+0	38	1.0450E+0
277	1.0350E+0					123	1.0350E+0		
						124	1.0200E+0	39	1.0200E+0
278	1.0100E+0								
						125	9.9600E-1	40	9.9600E-1
279	9.8600E-1					126	9.8600E-1		
						127	9.7200E-1	41	9.7200E-1
						128	9.5000E-1	42	9.5000E-1
280	9.3000E-1					129	9.3000E-1		
						130	9.1000E-1	43	9.1000E-1
281	8.7640E-1	171	8.7643E-1	97	8.7641E-1				
282	8.6000E-1					131	8.6000E-1		
						132	8.5000E-1	44	8.5000E-1
283	7.9000E-1					133	7.9000E-1		
						134	7.8000E-1	45	7.8000E-1
284	7.0500E-1					135	7.0500E-1		
285	6.8260E-1	172	6.8256E-1	98	6.8255E-1				
286	6.2500E-1					136	6.2500E-1	46	6.2500E-1

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TRIPOLI (315)		VITAMIN-J (175)		GAMM-II (100)		XMAS (172)		WIMS (69)	
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
287	5.4000E-1					137	5.4000E-1		
288	5.3160E-1	173	5.3158E-1	99	5.3157E-1	138	5.0000E-1	47	5.0000E-1
289	4.8500E-1					139	4.8500E-1		
290	4.3300E-1					140	4.3300E-1		
291	4.1400E-1	174	4.1399E-1	100	4.1399E-1	141	4.0000E-1	48	4.0000E-1
292	3.9100E-1					142	3.9100E-1		
293	3.5200E-1					143	3.5000E-1	49	3.5000E-1
294	3.1450E-1					144	3.2000E-1	50	3.2000E-1
295	2.8250E-1					145	3.1450E-1		
296	2.4800E-1					146	3.0000E-1	51	3.0000E-1
297	2.2000E-1					147	2.8000E-1	52	2.8000E-1
298	1.8900E-1					148	2.4800E-1	53	2.5000E-1
299	1.6000E-1					149	2.2000E-1	54	2.2000E-1
300	1.3400E-1					150	1.8900E-1		
301	1.1500E-1					151	1.8000E-1	55	1.8000E-1
302	1.0000E-1	175	1.0000E-1			152	1.6000E-1		
303	9.5000E-2					153	1.4000E-1	56	1.4000E-1
304	7.7000E-2					154	1.3400E-1		
305	5.9000E-2					155	1.1500E-1		
306	4.3000E-2					156	1.0000E-1	57	1.0000E-1
307	3.2380E-2					157	9.5000E-2		
308	3.2000E-2					158	8.0000E-2	58	8.0000E-2
309	3.0000E-2					159	7.7000E-2		
310	2.0000E-2					160	6.7000E-2	59	6.7000E-2
311	1.5000E-2					161	5.8000E-2	60	5.8000E-2
312	1.0000E-2					162	5.0000E-2	61	5.0000E-2
313	5.5000E-3					163	4.2000E-2	62	4.2000E-2
314	3.0000E-3					164	3.5000E-2	63	3.5000E-2
315	1.1000E-4					165	3.0000E-2	64	3.0000E-2
316	1.0000E-5	176	1.0000E-5	101	1.0000E-5	166	2.5000E-2	65	2.5000E-2
						167	2.0000E-2	66	2.0000E-2
						168	1.5000E-2	67	1.5000E-2
						169	1.0000E-2	68	1.0000E-2
						170	6.9000E-3		
						171	5.0000E-3	69	5.0000E-3
						172	3.0000E-3		
						173	1.0000E-5	70	1.0000E-5

Table 16: Energy group boundaries for the two 55 MeV high-energy standard structures.

TRIPOLI+ (351)		TRIPOLI (315)		VITAMIN-J+ (211)		VITAMIN-J (175)	
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
1	5.5000E+7			1	5.5000E+7		
2	5.4000E+7			2	5.4000E+7		
3	5.3000E+7			3	5.3000E+7		
4	5.2000E+7			4	5.2000E+7		
5	5.1000E+7			5	5.1000E+7		
6	5.0000E+7			6	5.0000E+7		
7	4.9000E+7			7	4.9000E+7		
8	4.8000E+7			8	4.8000E+7		
9	4.7000E+7			9	4.7000E+7		
10	4.6000E+7			10	4.6000E+7		
11	4.5000E+7			11	4.5000E+7		
12	4.4000E+7			12	4.4000E+7		
13	4.3000E+7			13	4.3000E+7		
14	4.2000E+7			14	4.2000E+7		
15	4.1000E+7			15	4.1000E+7		
16	4.0000E+7			16	4.0000E+7		
17	3.9000E+7			17	3.9000E+7		
18	3.8000E+7			18	3.8000E+7		
19	3.7000E+7			19	3.7000E+7		
20	3.6000E+7			20	3.6000E+7		
21	3.5000E+7			21	3.5000E+7		
22	3.4000E+7			22	3.4000E+7		
23	3.3000E+7			23	3.3000E+7		
24	3.2000E+7			24	3.2000E+7		
25	3.1000E+7			25	3.1000E+7		
26	3.0000E+7			26	3.0000E+7		
27	2.9000E+7			27	2.9000E+7		
28	2.8000E+7			28	2.8000E+7		
29	2.7000E+7			29	2.7000E+7		
30	2.6000E+7			30	2.6000E+7		
31	2.5000E+7			31	2.5000E+7		
32	2.4000E+7			32	2.4000E+7		
33	2.3000E+7			33	2.3000E+7		
34	2.2000E+7			34	2.2000E+7		
35	2.1000E+7			35	2.1000E+7		
36	2.0000E+7			36	2.0000E+7		
37	1.9640E+7	1	1.9640E+7	37	1.9640E+7	1	1.9640E+7
38	1.7330E+7	2	1.7330E+7	38	1.7330E+7	2	1.7330E+7
$n + 36$...	n	...	$n + 36$...	n	...
338	1.0000E-1	302	1.0000E-1	211	1.0000E-1	175	1.0000E-1
$n + 36$...	n	...				
351	1.1000E-4	315	1.1000E-4				
352	1.0000E-5	316	1.0000E-5	212	1.0000E-5	176	1.0000E-5

Table 17: Energy group boundaries for the LANL 66 group structure.

LANL 66 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
1	2.5000E+7	18	3.0200E+5	35	2.7540E+2	52	8.0000E-2

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LANL 66 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
2	2.0000E+7	19	1.8320E+5	36	1.6700E+2	53	6.7000E-2
3	1.6905E+7	20	1.1110E+5	37	1.0130E+2	54	5.8000E-2
4	1.4918E+7	21	6.7380E+4	38	6.1440E+1	55	5.0000E-2
5	1.0000E+7	22	4.0870E+4	39	3.7270E+1	56	4.2000E-2
6	6.0650E+6	23	2.5540E+4	40	2.2600E+1	57	3.5000E-2
7	4.9658E+6	24	1.9890E+4	41	1.3710E+1	58	3.0000E-2
8	3.6788E+6	25	1.5030E+4	42	8.3150E+0	59	2.5000E-2
9	2.8650E+6	26	9.1190E+3	43	5.0430E+0	60	2.0000E-2
10	2.2313E+6	27	5.5310E+3	44	3.0590E+0	61	1.5000E-2
11	1.7377E+6	28	3.3550E+3	45	1.8550E+0	62	1.0000E-2
12	1.3534E+6	29	2.8400E+3	46	1.1250E+0	63	5.0000E-3
13	1.1080E+6	30	2.4040E+3	47	6.8300E-1	64	2.0000E-3
14	8.2085E+5	31	2.0350E+3	48	4.1400E-1	65	1.0000E-3
15	6.3928E+5	32	1.2340E+3	49	2.5100E-1	66	5.0000E-4
16	4.9790E+5	33	7.4850E+2	50	1.5200E-1	67	1.0000E-5
17	3.8870E+5	34	4.5400E+2	51	1.0000E-1		

Table 18: Energy group boundaries for the LLNL 616 group structure.

LLNL 616 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
1	2.0000E+7	155	1.7378E+4	309	1.4454E+1	463	1.2023E-2
2	1.9953E+7	156	1.6596E+4	310	1.3804E+1	464	1.1482E-2
3	1.9055E+7	157	1.5849E+4	311	1.3183E+1	465	1.0965E-2
4	1.8197E+7	158	1.5136E+4	312	1.2589E+1	466	1.0471E-2
5	1.7378E+7	159	1.4454E+4	313	1.2023E+1	467	1.0000E-2
6	1.6596E+7	160	1.3804E+4	314	1.1482E+1	468	9.5499E-3
7	1.5849E+7	161	1.3183E+4	315	1.0965E+1	469	9.1201E-3
8	1.5136E+7	162	1.2589E+4	316	1.0471E+1	470	8.7096E-3
9	1.4454E+7	163	1.2023E+4	317	1.0000E+1	471	8.3176E-3
10	1.3804E+7	164	1.1482E+4	318	9.5499E+0	472	7.9433E-3
11	1.3183E+7	165	1.0965E+4	319	9.1201E+0	473	7.5858E-3
12	1.2589E+7	166	1.0471E+4	320	8.7096E+0	474	7.2444E-3
13	1.2023E+7	167	1.0000E+4	321	8.3176E+0	475	6.9183E-3
14	1.1482E+7	168	9.5499E+3	322	7.9433E+0	476	6.6069E-3
15	1.0965E+7	169	9.1201E+3	323	7.5858E+0	477	6.3096E-3
16	1.0471E+7	170	8.7096E+3	324	7.2444E+0	478	6.0256E-3
17	1.0000E+7	171	8.3176E+3	325	6.9183E+0	479	5.7544E-3
18	9.5499E+6	172	7.9433E+3	326	6.6069E+0	480	5.4954E-3
19	9.1201E+6	173	7.5858E+3	327	6.3096E+0	481	5.2481E-3
20	8.7096E+6	174	7.2444E+3	328	6.0256E+0	482	5.0119E-3
21	8.3176E+6	175	6.9183E+3	329	5.7544E+0	483	4.7863E-3
22	7.9433E+6	176	6.6069E+3	330	5.4954E+0	484	4.5709E-3
23	7.5858E+6	177	6.3096E+3	331	5.2481E+0	485	4.3652E-3
24	7.2444E+6	178	6.0256E+3	332	5.0119E+0	486	4.1687E-3
25	6.9183E+6	179	5.7544E+3	333	4.7863E+0	487	3.9811E-3
26	6.6069E+6	180	5.4954E+3	334	4.5709E+0	488	3.8019E-3
27	6.3096E+6	181	5.2481E+3	335	4.3652E+0	489	3.6308E-3
28	6.0256E+6	182	5.0119E+3	336	4.1687E+0	490	3.4674E-3
29	5.7544E+6	183	4.7863E+3	337	3.9811E+0	491	3.3113E-3
30	5.4954E+6	184	4.5709E+3	338	3.8019E+0	492	3.1623E-3

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LLNL 616 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
31	5.2481E+6	185	4.3652E+3	339	3.6308E+0	493	3.0200E-3
32	5.0119E+6	186	4.1687E+3	340	3.4674E+0	494	2.8840E-3
33	4.7863E+6	187	3.9811E+3	341	3.3113E+0	495	2.7542E-3
34	4.5709E+6	188	3.8019E+3	342	3.1623E+0	496	2.6303E-3
35	4.3652E+6	189	3.6308E+3	343	3.0200E+0	497	2.5119E-3
36	4.1687E+6	190	3.4674E+3	344	2.8840E+0	498	2.3988E-3
37	3.9811E+6	191	3.3113E+3	345	2.7542E+0	499	2.2909E-3
38	3.8019E+6	192	3.1623E+3	346	2.6303E+0	500	2.1878E-3
39	3.6308E+6	193	3.0200E+3	347	2.5119E+0	501	2.0893E-3
40	3.4674E+6	194	2.8840E+3	348	2.3988E+0	502	1.9953E-3
41	3.3113E+6	195	2.7542E+3	349	2.2909E+0	503	1.9055E-3
42	3.1623E+6	196	2.6303E+3	350	2.1878E+0	504	1.8197E-3
43	3.0200E+6	197	2.5119E+3	351	2.0893E+0	505	1.7378E-3
44	2.8840E+6	198	2.3988E+3	352	1.9953E+0	506	1.6596E-3
45	2.7542E+6	199	2.2909E+3	353	1.9055E+0	507	1.5849E-3
46	2.6303E+6	200	2.1878E+3	354	1.8197E+0	508	1.5136E-3
47	2.5119E+6	201	2.0893E+3	355	1.7378E+0	509	1.4454E-3
48	2.3988E+6	202	1.9953E+3	356	1.6596E+0	510	1.3804E-3
49	2.2909E+6	203	1.9055E+3	357	1.5849E+0	511	1.3183E-3
50	2.1878E+6	204	1.8197E+3	358	1.5136E+0	512	1.2589E-3
51	2.0893E+6	205	1.7378E+3	359	1.4454E+0	513	1.2023E-3
52	1.9953E+6	206	1.6596E+3	360	1.3804E+0	514	1.1482E-3
53	1.9055E+6	207	1.5849E+3	361	1.3183E+0	515	1.0965E-3
54	1.8197E+6	208	1.5136E+3	362	1.2589E+0	516	1.0471E-3
55	1.7378E+6	209	1.4454E+3	363	1.2023E+0	517	1.0000E-3
56	1.6596E+6	210	1.3804E+3	364	1.1482E+0	518	9.5499E-4
57	1.5849E+6	211	1.3183E+3	365	1.0965E+0	519	9.1201E-4
58	1.5136E+6	212	1.2589E+3	366	1.0471E+0	520	8.7096E-4
59	1.4454E+6	213	1.2023E+3	367	1.0000E+0	521	8.3176E-4
60	1.3804E+6	214	1.1482E+3	368	9.5499E-1	522	7.9433E-4
61	1.3183E+6	215	1.0965E+3	369	9.1201E-1	523	7.5858E-4
62	1.2589E+6	216	1.0471E+3	370	8.7096E-1	524	7.2444E-4
63	1.2023E+6	217	1.0000E+3	371	8.3176E-1	525	6.9183E-4
64	1.1482E+6	218	9.5499E+2	372	7.9433E-1	526	6.6069E-4
65	1.0965E+6	219	9.1201E+2	373	7.5858E-1	527	6.3096E-4
66	1.0471E+6	220	8.7096E+2	374	7.2444E-1	528	6.0256E-4
67	1.0000E+6	221	8.3176E+2	375	6.9183E-1	529	5.7544E-4
68	9.5499E+5	222	7.9433E+2	376	6.6069E-1	530	5.4954E-4
69	9.1201E+5	223	7.5858E+2	377	6.3096E-1	531	5.2481E-4
70	8.7096E+5	224	7.2444E+2	378	6.0256E-1	532	5.0119E-4
71	8.3176E+5	225	6.9183E+2	379	5.7544E-1	533	4.7863E-4
72	7.9433E+5	226	6.6069E+2	380	5.4954E-1	534	4.5709E-4
73	7.5858E+5	227	6.3096E+2	381	5.2481E-1	535	4.3652E-4
74	7.2444E+5	228	6.0256E+2	382	5.0119E-1	536	4.1687E-4
75	6.9183E+5	229	5.7544E+2	383	4.7863E-1	537	3.9811E-4
76	6.6069E+5	230	5.4954E+2	384	4.5709E-1	538	3.8019E-4
77	6.3096E+5	231	5.2481E+2	385	4.3652E-1	539	3.6308E-4
78	6.0256E+5	232	5.0119E+2	386	4.1687E-1	540	3.4674E-4
79	5.7544E+5	233	4.7863E+2	387	3.9811E-1	541	3.3113E-4
80	5.4954E+5	234	4.5709E+2	388	3.8019E-1	542	3.1623E-4
81	5.2481E+5	235	4.3652E+2	389	3.6308E-1	543	3.0200E-4
82	5.0119E+5	236	4.1687E+2	390	3.4674E-1	544	2.8840E-4

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LLNL 616 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
83	4.7863E+5	237	3.9811E+2	391	3.3113E-1	545	2.7542E-4
84	4.5709E+5	238	3.8019E+2	392	3.1623E-1	546	2.6303E-4
85	4.3652E+5	239	3.6308E+2	393	3.0200E-1	547	2.5119E-4
86	4.1687E+5	240	3.4674E+2	394	2.8840E-1	548	2.3988E-4
87	3.9811E+5	241	3.3113E+2	395	2.7542E-1	549	2.2909E-4
88	3.8019E+5	242	3.1623E+2	396	2.6303E-1	550	2.1878E-4
89	3.6308E+5	243	3.0200E+2	397	2.5119E-1	551	2.0893E-4
90	3.4674E+5	244	2.8840E+2	398	2.3988E-1	552	1.9953E-4
91	3.3113E+5	245	2.7542E+2	399	2.2909E-1	553	1.9055E-4
92	3.1623E+5	246	2.6303E+2	400	2.1878E-1	554	1.8197E-4
93	3.0200E+5	247	2.5119E+2	401	2.0893E-1	555	1.7378E-4
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96	2.6303E+5	250	2.1878E+2	404	1.8197E-1	558	1.5136E-4
97	2.5119E+5	251	2.0893E+2	405	1.7378E-1	559	1.4454E-4
98	2.3988E+5	252	1.9953E+2	406	1.6596E-1	560	1.3804E-4
99	2.2909E+5	253	1.9055E+2	407	1.5849E-1	561	1.3183E-4
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101	2.0893E+5	255	1.7378E+2	409	1.4454E-1	563	1.2023E-4
102	1.9953E+5	256	1.6596E+2	410	1.3804E-1	564	1.1482E-4
103	1.9055E+5	257	1.5849E+2	411	1.3183E-1	565	1.0965E-4
104	1.8197E+5	258	1.5136E+2	412	1.2589E-1	566	1.0471E-4
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106	1.6596E+5	260	1.3804E+2	414	1.1482E-1	568	9.5499E-5
107	1.5849E+5	261	1.3183E+2	415	1.0965E-1	569	9.1201E-5
108	1.5136E+5	262	1.2589E+2	416	1.0471E-1	570	8.7096E-5
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115	1.0965E+5	269	9.1201E+1	423	7.5858E-2	577	6.3096E-5
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131	5.2481E+4	285	4.3652E+1	439	3.6308E-2	593	3.0200E-5
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133	4.7863E+4	287	3.9811E+1	441	3.3113E-2	595	2.7542E-5
134	4.5709E+4	288	3.8019E+1	442	3.1623E-2	596	2.6303E-5

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LLNL 616 group structure							
grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)	grp	energy(eV)
135	4.3652E+4	289	3.6308E+1	443	3.0200E-2	597	2.5119E-5
136	4.1687E+4	290	3.4674E+1	444	2.8840E-2	598	2.3988E-5
137	3.9811E+4	291	3.3113E+1	445	2.7542E-2	599	2.2909E-5
138	3.8019E+4	292	3.1623E+1	446	2.6303E-2	600	2.1878E-5
139	3.6308E+4	293	3.0200E+1	447	2.5119E-2	601	2.0893E-5
140	3.4674E+4	294	2.8840E+1	448	2.3988E-2	602	1.9953E-5
141	3.3113E+4	295	2.7542E+1	449	2.2909E-2	603	1.9055E-5
142	3.1623E+4	296	2.6303E+1	450	2.1878E-2	604	1.8197E-5
143	3.0200E+4	297	2.5119E+1	451	2.0893E-2	605	1.7378E-5
144	2.8840E+4	298	2.3988E+1	452	1.9953E-2	606	1.6596E-5
145	2.7542E+4	299	2.2909E+1	453	1.9055E-2	607	1.5849E-5
146	2.6303E+4	300	2.1878E+1	454	1.8197E-2	608	1.5136E-5
147	2.5119E+4	301	2.0893E+1	455	1.7378E-2	609	1.4454E-5
148	2.3988E+4	302	1.9953E+1	456	1.6596E-2	610	1.3804E-5
149	2.2909E+4	303	1.9055E+1	457	1.5849E-2	611	1.3183E-5
150	2.1878E+4	304	1.8197E+1	458	1.5136E-2	612	1.2589E-5
151	2.0893E+4	305	1.7378E+1	459	1.4454E-2	613	1.2023E-5
152	1.9953E+4	306	1.6596E+1	460	1.3804E-2	614	1.1482E-5
153	1.9055E+4	307	1.5849E+1	461	1.3183E-2	615	1.0965E-5
154	1.8197E+4	308	1.5136E+1	462	1.2589E-2	616	1.0471E-5
						617	1.0000E-5

Weighting spectra

Different micro-flux weighting spectra are used depending upon which group structure is required and for which application the calculation needs to be performed. The weighting spectra are usually generated at a temperature of 294 K, however higher temperatures, 574 K and 824 K have also been prepared.

The weighting spectra used to generate fission-relevant libraries in the WIMS, XMAS and TRIPOLI group format from EAF point-wise data are as follows:

Energy range	Micro-flux weighting spectrum
$1.0 \times 10^{-5} - 0.2 \text{ eV}$	Maxwellian ($T = 0.0253 \text{ eV}$)
$0.2 \text{ eV} - 0.82085 \text{ MeV}$	$1/E$
$0.82085 \text{ MeV} - E_{max}$	Maxwellian fission spectrum ($T = 1.3539 \text{ MeV}$)

It is important not to have any fusion peak in order not to bias the high-threshold reactions such as (n, Xn) . One may also keep in mind that the fission spectrum has a tail that extends well above 10 MeV.

The weighting spectra used to generate fusion-relevant libraries in the VITAMIN-J, GAM-II and TRIPOLI group format from EAF point-wise data are as follows:

Energy range	Micro-flux weighting spectrum
$1.0 \times 10^{-5} - 0.414 \text{ eV}$	Maxwellian ($T = 0.0253 \text{ eV}$)
$0.414 \text{ eV} - 12.52 \text{ MeV}$	$1/E$
$12.52 \text{ MeV} - 15.68 \text{ MeV}$	Velocity exponential fusion peak ($E_f = 14.07 \text{ MeV}$, $kT_f = 0.025 \text{ MeV}$)
$15.68 \text{ MeV} - 19.64 \text{ MeV}$	$1/E$

A flat weighting spectrum is used to generate multi-purpose libraries from EAF point-wise data in the various group formats, and in these cases the finer the structure the better. Such libraries could be used to model cases where the neutron field is not similar to one described above, for example, from accelerator beam-target interactions (e.g. IFMIF) or experimental devices. Such libraries also allow group-wise data to be plotted without weighting.

It is the user's responsibility to select the appropriate group-wise library depending on the type of activation-transmutation calculations that will be made. The micro-flux weighting process can have a significant impact on the cross-sections.

B Neutron Flux Sample Data

The collapsed cross-sections depend strongly on the nature of the projectile spectra, and so it is important to use the appropriate spectrum together with the appropriately-weighted cross-section data.

The majority of neutron-application spectra stem from light-water assemblies, mock-ups or reactors where the integral responses are strongly, if not solely, influenced by the energy ranges of the fission spectra and thermal maxwellian. Fusion spectra that have been obtained from magnetic confinement (MCF) or inertial confinement fusion (ICF) present typical D-D 2.5 MeV, or D-T 14 MeV peaks sometimes accompanied by a higher-energy tail, but also showing rather different slowing-down profiles. Accelerator-driven beam spectra are important in their role in nuclear data acquisition and materials research, but also for medical therapeutic and diagnostic applications.

In essence, the particle spectrum profile, through the collapsing process, emphasises the energy region of most importance for each application. Transferring data from one application or energy range to another should be done with great care as it can easily lead to misleading and inappropriate numerical results.

A suite of referenc input spectra, including the original, arbitrary-group spectra, are provided on the FISPACT-II website:

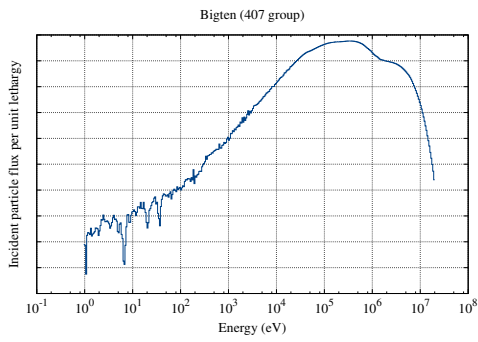
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Illustrations of typical spectral profiles are provided in the following Figures 16(16.1)–16(16.48), which show plots of the spectra for the following systems:

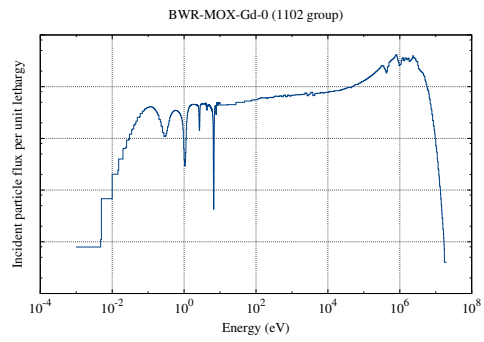
1. International Criticality Safety Benchmark Experiment, Bigten (Figure 16(16.1))
2. BWR MOX fuel with Gd, 0 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.2))
3. BWR MOX fuel with Gd, 15 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.3))
4. BWR MOX fuel with Gd, 40 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.4))
5. Boiling water reactor, 1/4 Thickness reactor pressure vessel (Figure 16(16.5))
6. BWR UO₂ fuel with Gd, 0 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.6))
7. BWR UO₂ fuel with Gd, 15 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.7))
8. BWR UO₂ fuel with Gd, 40 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.8))
9. CERN H4IRRAD experiment (Figure 16(16.9))
10. Californium-252 spontaneous fission source (Figure 16(16.10))
11. DEMO fusion concept He-cooled pebble bed, backplate (Figure 16(16.11))
12. DEMO fusion concept He-cooled pebble bed, first wall (Figure 16(16.12))
13. DEMO fusion concept He-cooled pebble bed, vacuum vessel (Figure 16(16.13))
14. ENEA Frascati Neutron Generator D-T (Figure 16(16.14))
15. D-T fusion reactor He-cooled LiPb, first wall (Figure 16(16.15))
16. D-T fusion reactor He-cooled LiPb, vacuum vessel (Figure 16(16.16))
17. D-T fusion reactor He-cooled pebble bed, first wall (Figure 16(16.17))
18. D-T fusion reactor He-cooled pebble bed, vacuum vessel (Figure 16(16.18))
19. Material test reactor, Oak Ridge HFIR midplane (Figure 16(16.19))
20. Material test reactor, Oak Ridge HFIR midplane (Figure 16(16.20))
21. Material test reactor, Oak Ridge HFIR midplane-VXF3-AD (Figure 16(16.21))
22. Material test reactor, Petten HFR high (Figure 16(16.22))
23. Material test reactor, Petten HFR low (Figure 16(16.23))
24. IFMIF D-Li neutron source (Figure 16(16.24))
25. Magnetic confinement fusion, ITER D-D (Figure 16(16.25))
26. Magnetic confinement fusion, ITER D-T (Figure 16(16.26))
27. JAEA Fusion Neutron Source D-T (Figure 16(16.27))
28. Joint European Torus, first wall vacuum vessel (Figure 16(16.28))

29. Laser Mégajoule gamma spectra (Figure 16(16.29))
30. Inertial confinement fusion, NIF ignited (Figure 16(16.30))
31. Paluel light water reactor (Figure 16(16.31))
32. Fast breeder reactor, Phénix (Figure 16(16.32))
33. PWR MOX fuel with Gd, 0 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.33))
34. PWR MOX fuel with Gd, 15 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.34))
35. PWR MOX fuel with Gd, 40 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.35))
36. Pressurized water reactor, 1/4 Thickness reactor pressure vessel (Figure 16(16.36))
37. PWR UO₂ fuel, 0 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.37))
38. PWR UO₂ fuel, 15 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.38))
39. PWR UO₂ fuel, 40 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.39))
40. PWR UO₂ fuel with Gd, 0 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.40))
41. PWR UO₂ fuel with Gd, 15 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.41))
42. PWR UO₂ fuel with Gd, 40 GWd/THM (Figure 16(16.42))
43. Fast breeder reactor, Superphénix (Figure 16(16.43))
44. TU Dresden fusion neutron source D-T (Figure 16(16.44))
45. D-T fusion water-cooled ceramic breeder, first wall (Figure 16(16.45))
46. D-T fusion water-cooled ceramic breeder, vacuum vessel (Figure 16(16.46))
47. D-T fusion water-cooled LiPb, first wall (Figure 16(16.47))
48. D-T fusion water-cooled LiPb, vacuum vessel (Figure 16(16.48))

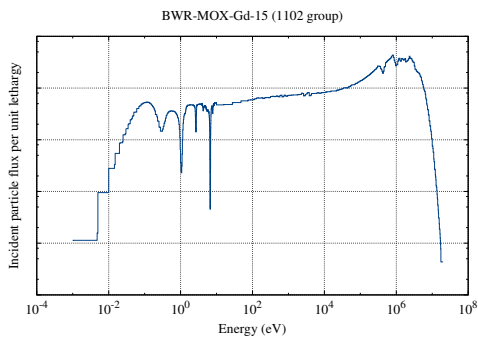
It is clear that in each of these typical spectra the integral responses are most influenced by the energy region where the profile peaks. However it is important not to overlook the upper or lower tails. For instance, there is more neutron flux above 15 MeV in a fission environment, due to the high-energy tail of the fission spectrum, than in a pure MCF D-T fusion-only environment.



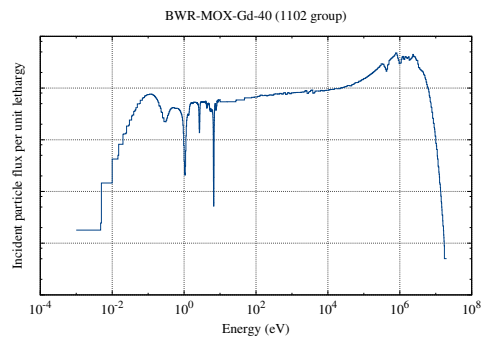
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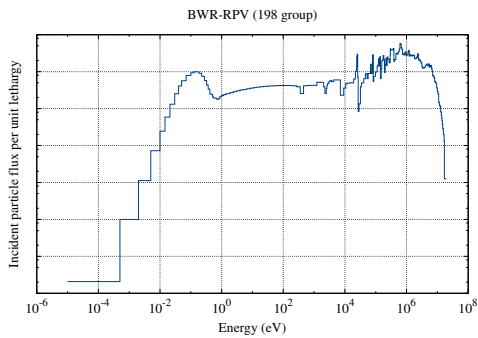
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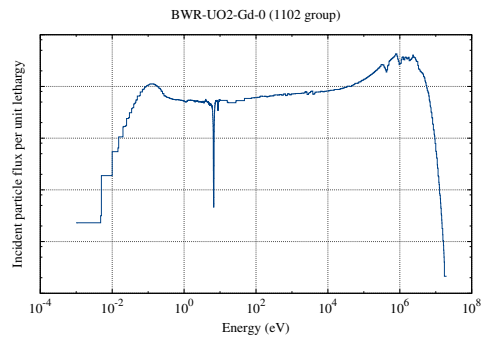
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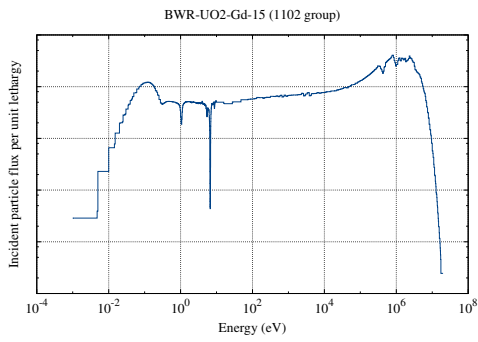
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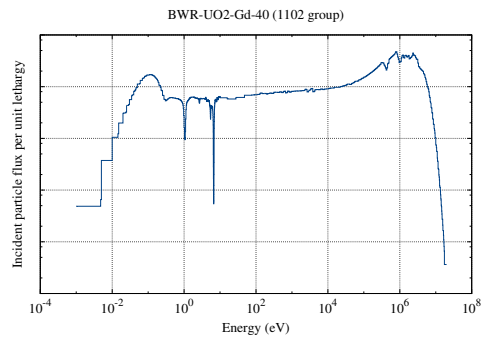
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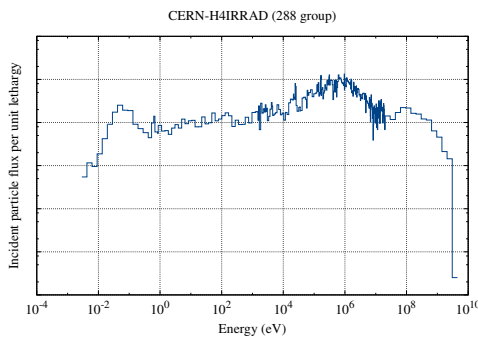
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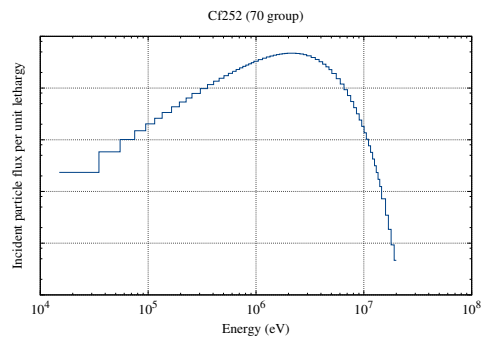
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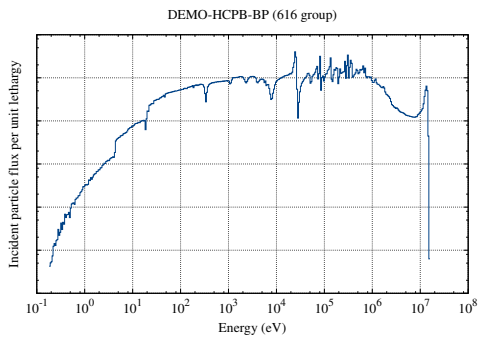
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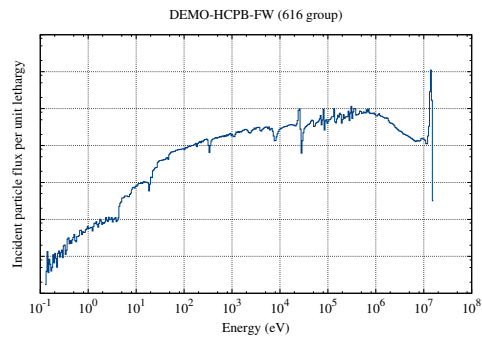
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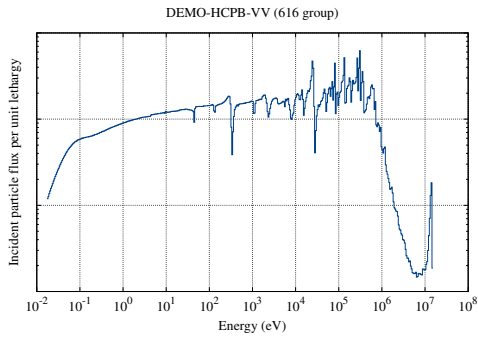
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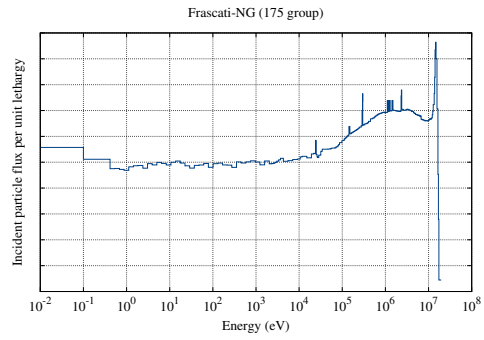
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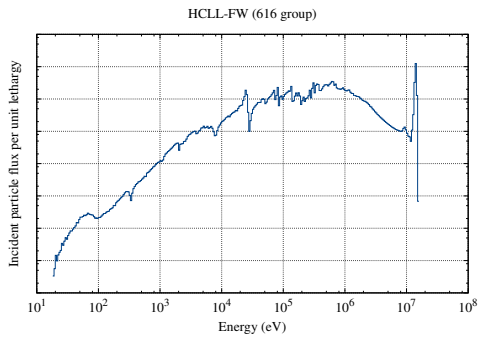
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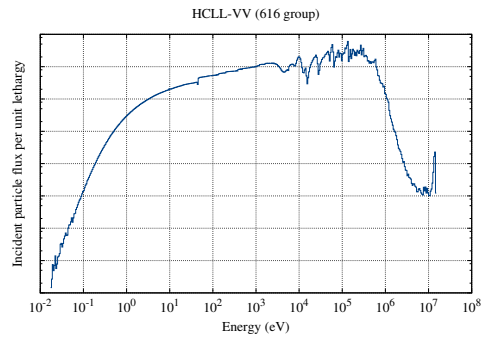
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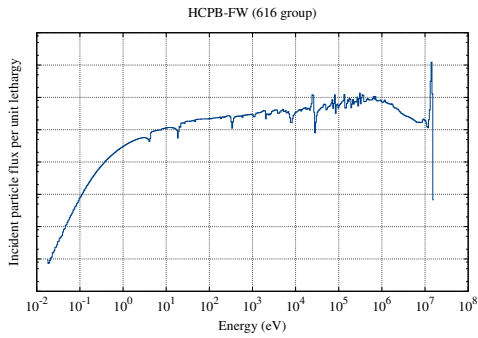
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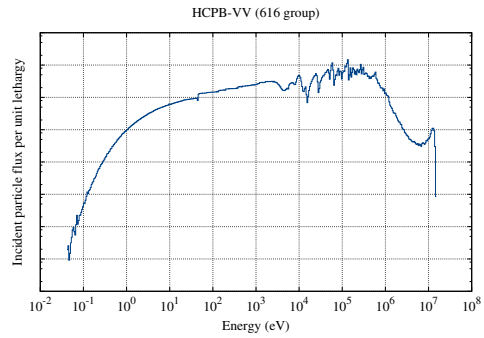
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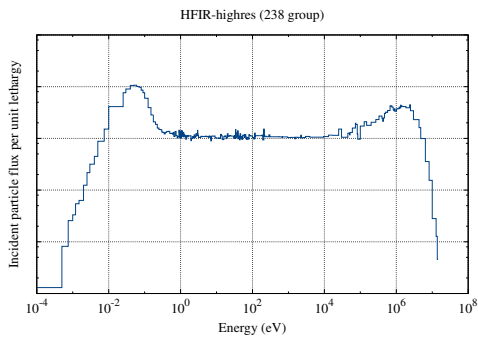
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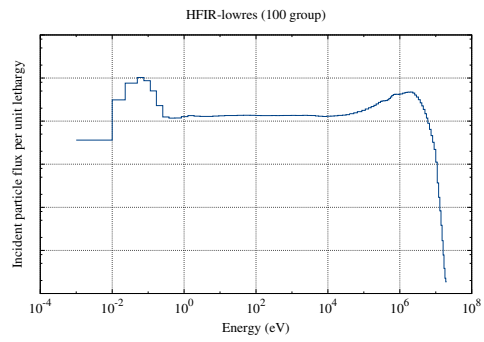
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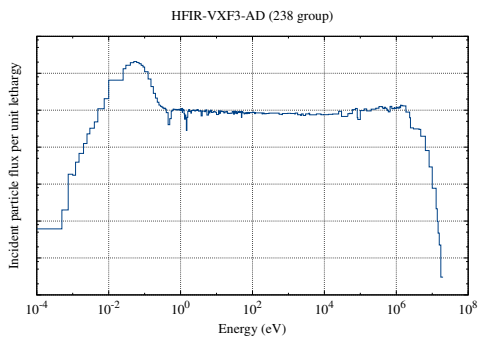
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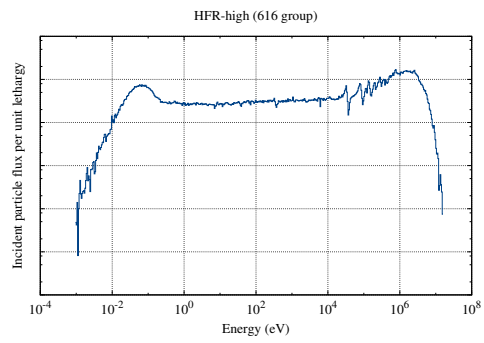
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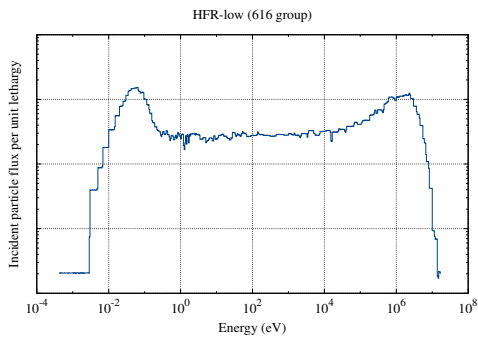
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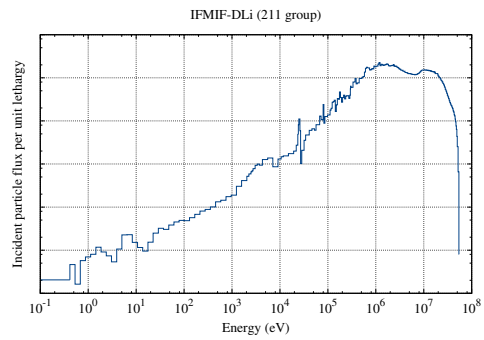
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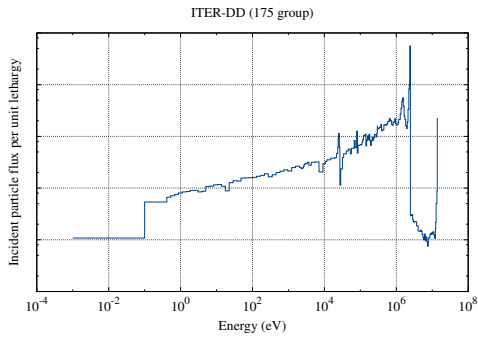
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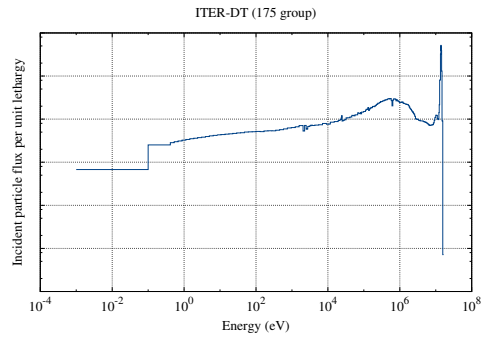
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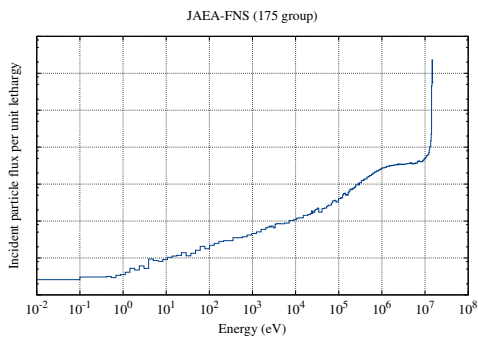
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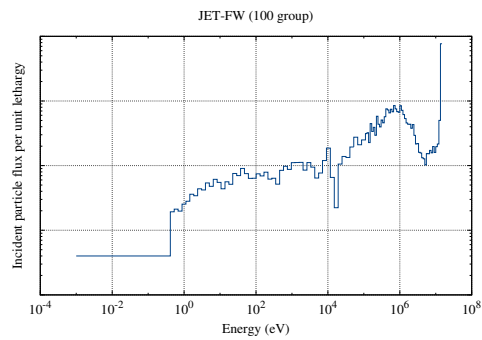
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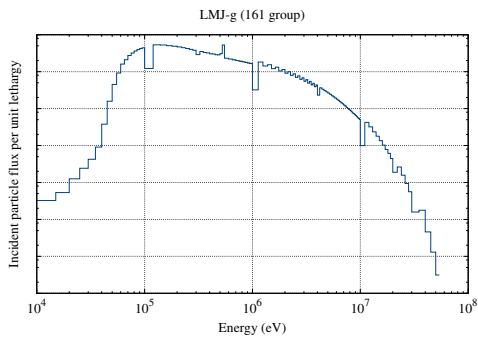
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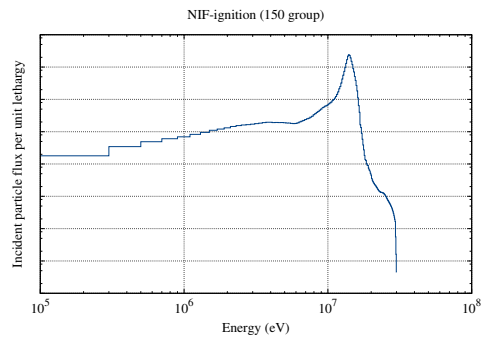
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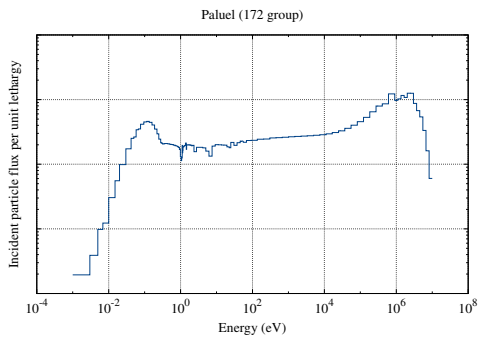
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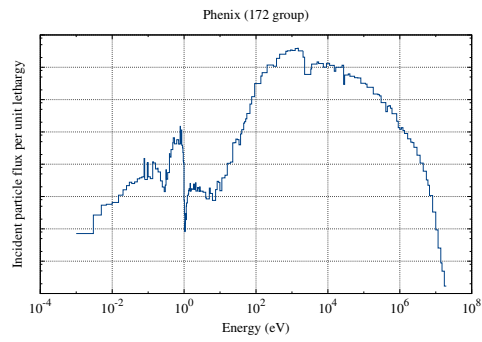
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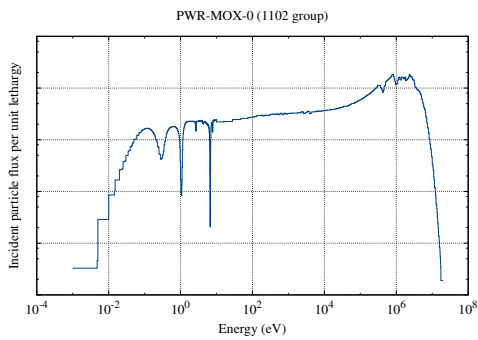
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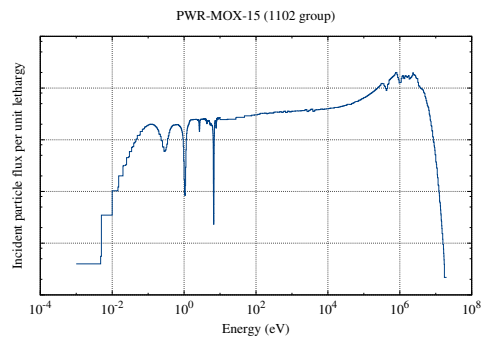
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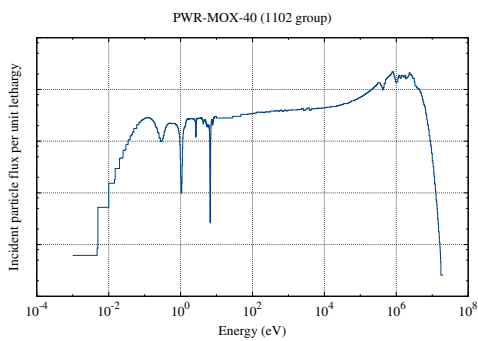
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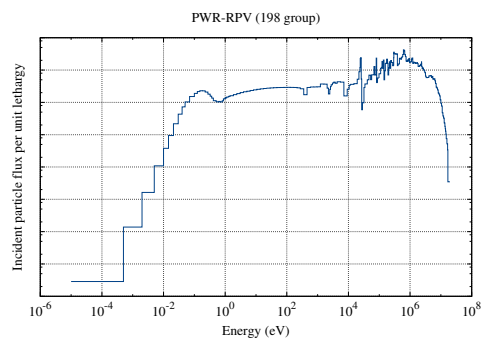
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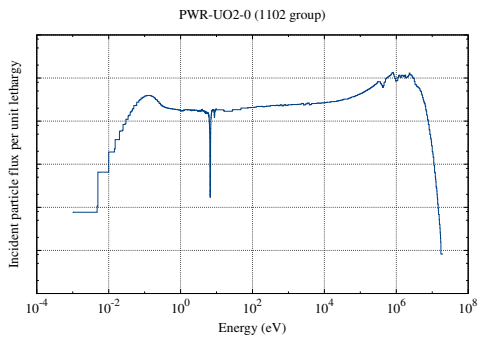
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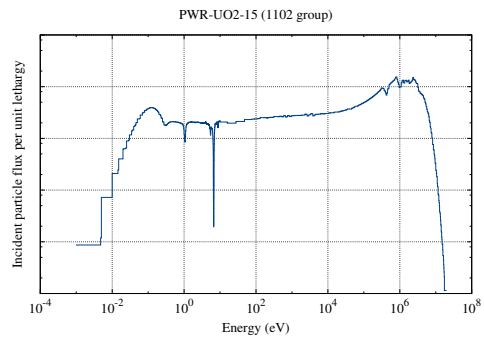
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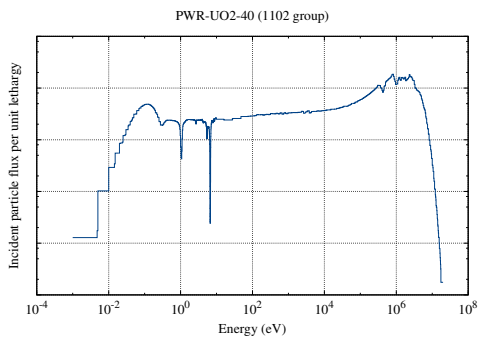
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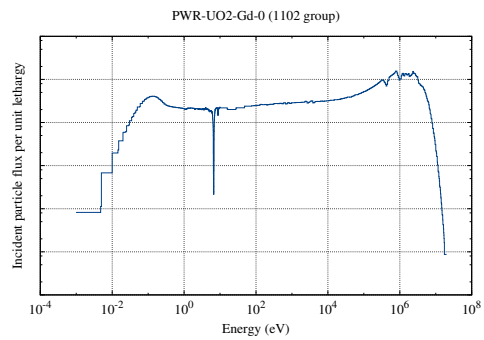
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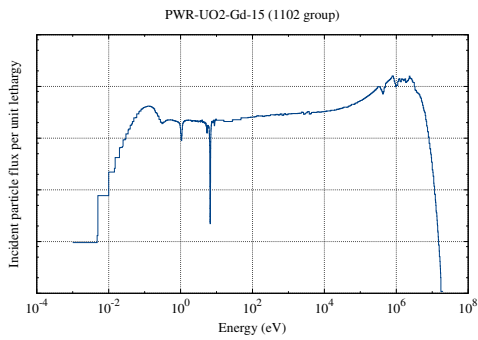
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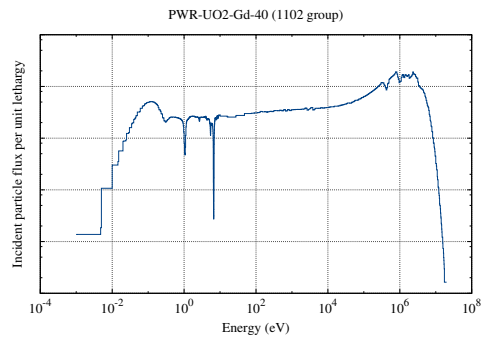
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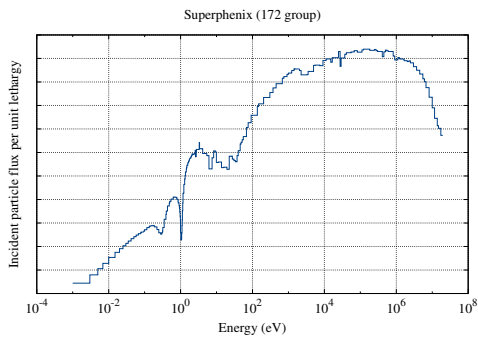
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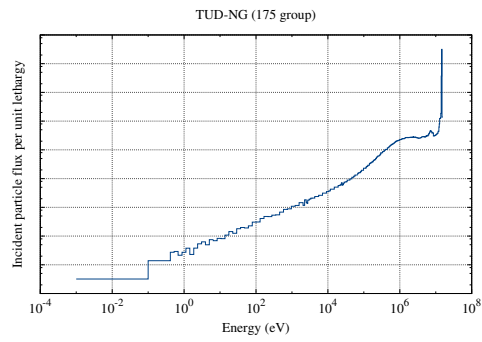
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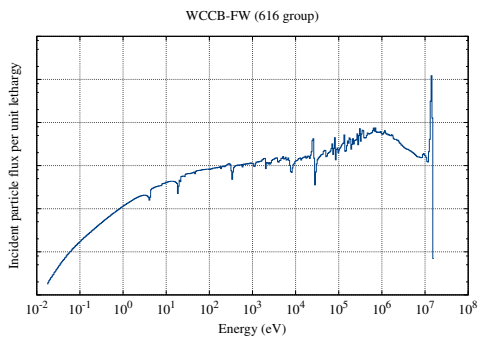
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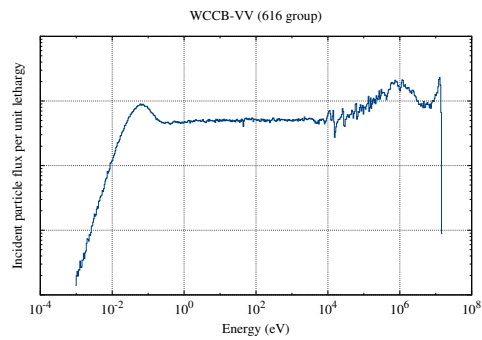
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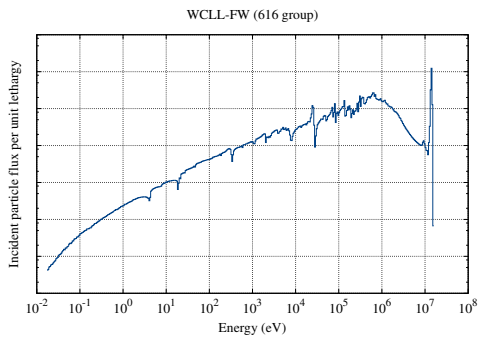
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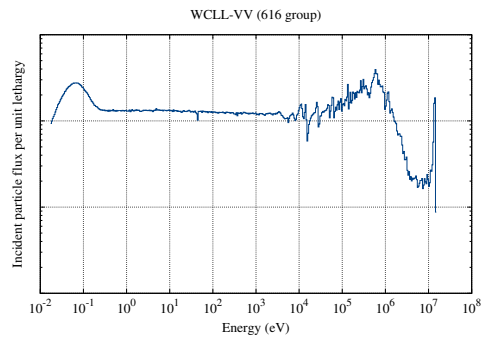
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C The Model

C.1 The Rate Equations

FISPACT-II follows the evolution of the inventory of nuclides in a target material that is irradiated by a time-dependent projectile flux, where the projectiles may be neutrons, protons, deuterons, α -particles or γ -rays. The material is homogeneous, infinite and infinitely dilute and the description of the evolution of the nuclide numbers is reduced to the stiff-ode set of rate equations [74]:

$$\frac{dN_i}{dt} = \sum_j (\lambda_i^j + \sigma_i^j \phi^{int}(t)) N_j \quad (8)$$

where

N_i = number of nuclide i at time t

ϕ^{int} = projectile flux ($\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$)

for $j \neq i$:

λ_i^j = decay constant of nuclide j producing i (s^{-1})

σ_i^j = reaction cross-section for reactions on j producing i (cm^2)

for $j = i$:

$-\lambda_j^j$ = total decay constant of nuclide j (s^{-1})

$-\sigma_j^j$ = total cross-section for reactions on j (cm^2)

The processes described by Equation (8) may be interpreted in terms of a directed graph, with vertices corresponding to nuclides and edges giving the flow from parent to daughter nuclides via a decay process or an induced reaction. Figure 16 schematically presents a fragment of this graph. Graph theoretic methods are used to construct pathways (see Section C.9 on page 242).

The total flow out from vertex j by decay is equal to the total flow into other vertices i :

$$\lambda^j = -\lambda_j^j = \sum_{i \neq j} \lambda_i^j \quad (9)$$

Similarly, the balances of the flows by projectile-induced reactions give

$$\sigma^j = -\sigma_j^j = \sum_{i \neq j} \sigma_i^j \quad (10)$$

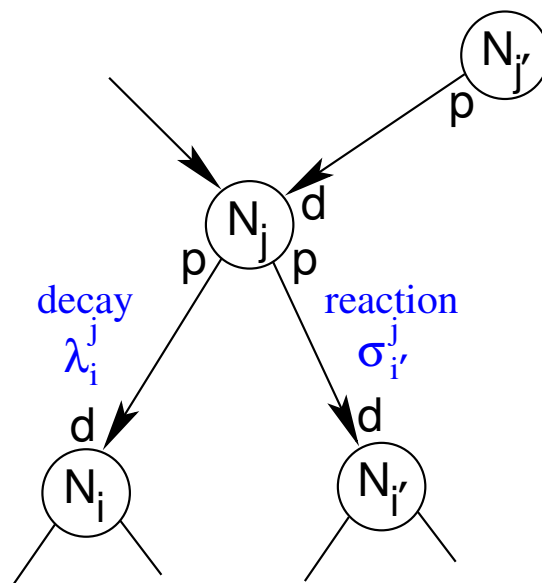


Figure 16: Directed graph representation of reactions and decays: The flow from the parent nuclide at vertex j to the daughter nuclide at vertex i along the directed edge ji is given by the sum of decay and reaction flows.

To maintain correct accounting, decays or reactions leading to daughter nuclides not included in the set being considered are assigned to a fictitious ‘sink’ nuclide, and secondary decay products are assigned to the appropriate gas nuclides.

Reaction cross-sections depend on the projectile energy, and the source data for cross-sections give values for a set of energy groups. In the code, an effective (‘collapsed’) cross-section is computed as an average cross-section weighted by projectile fluxes in each energy group:

$$\sigma_i^j = \sum_k \tilde{\sigma}_i^j(E_k) \phi_n(E_k) / \sum_k \phi_n(E_k) \quad (11)$$

where $\tilde{\sigma}_i^j(E_k)$ is the cross-section at projectile energy group k , $\phi_n(E_k)$ is the integrated projectile flux in energy group k , and the sums are over all energy groups k .

A consequence of the modelling assumptions underlying FISPACT-II is that the imposed projectile flux is not modified by the reactions and decays in the target material. Then the decay rates and cross-sections appearing in Equation (8) are all independent of the nuclide numbers N_j and the equation can be rewritten compactly as

$$\frac{d\mathbf{N}}{dt} = \mathbf{A}\mathbf{N} \quad (12)$$

where the matrix \mathbf{A} is independent of the inventory \mathbf{N} . In FISPACT-II the projectile flux is constant during each time interval, so that \mathbf{A} is also piecewise-constant in time.

Furthermore, the matrix \mathbf{A} is sparse. Its sparsity pattern gives the adjacency matrix and its components give weighting factors for constructing the digraphs used for

pathways analysis. The `ind.nuc` file in the EAF-2010 library contains 2233 distinct nuclides, so A has a size of 2234×2234 , including the ‘sink’ nuclide. However, there are only approximately 120 000 non-zero elements in A . If actinides are not relevant to a calculation, the fission reactions can be omitted and about 42 000 elements of A remain non-zero. This number drops to less than 5 000 during cooling periods when only decays are required. These properties of the system matrix are relevant to the method of solution described in Section C.11 below.

C.2 Data Collapse

The reaction data input to FISPACT-II are the projectile flux spectrum, cross-sections, induced fission yields and covariances tabulated in energy groups, where in general the cross-section data are tabulated at much smaller energy intervals than the fission yield or covariance data. These data are ‘collapsed’ using flux spectrum weighting into energy independent values for use in the inventory calculations.

Consider the collapsed cross-section \bar{X} and its uncertainty Δ that are used in FISPACT-II. The input data for \bar{X} are cross-sections X_i and the projectile flux ${}^3\phi_i$ in energy groups $i \in [1, N]$.

ϕ_i is the flux ($\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$) in energy range E_i to E_{i+1} , and we use it to define the weight for group i as

$$W_i = \phi_i / \sum_{i=1}^N \phi_i \quad (13)$$

The collapsed cross-section (c.f., Eq. (11)) \bar{X} is given by

$$\bar{X} = \sum_{i=1}^N W_i X_i \quad (14)$$

Covariances for cross-sections X_i and Y_j grouped in energy bins $i \in [1, N_X]$, $j \in [1, N_Y]$ are $Cov(X_i, Y_j)$. The collapsed covariance arising from these is given by

$$Cov(\bar{X}, \bar{Y}) = \sum_{i=1}^{N_X} \sum_{j=1}^{N_Y} W_i W_j Cov(X_i, Y_j) \quad (15)$$

$Cov(\bar{X}, \bar{Y})$ is not presently used in FISPACT-II, but is planned to be used in future in the monte-carlo sensitivity calculations. The case of interest at present is that where reactions X and Y are the same, and then the collapsed variance is given by

$$var = Cov(\bar{X}, \bar{X}) = \sum_{i,j=1}^N W_i W_j Cov(X_i, X_j) \quad (16)$$

³If fluxes are in different energy groups, then the **GRPCONVERT** keyword can be used to remap them to the appropriate groups (c.f., Section 4.29on page 78).

For EAF data, the uncertainty is defined at the three standard deviation point:

$$\Delta = 3\sqrt{\text{var}/\bar{X}} \quad (17)$$

and for the TENDL data, it is defined as

$$\Delta = \sqrt{\text{var}/\bar{X}} \quad (18)$$

The covariance data are less complete than the cross-section data. Each covariance data energy group contains several cross-section energy groups, and in some cases the data in different energy groups are assumed to be uncorrelated.

The covariance data in the EAF and TENDL libraries that FISPACT-II recognises are the ENDF [15] NI-type data with LB=1, 5, 6 or 8. The projection operator S_i^k maps cross-section energy bins to covariance energy bins as illustrated in Figure 17.

$$S_i^k = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{bin } i \text{ in bin } k \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases} \quad (19)$$

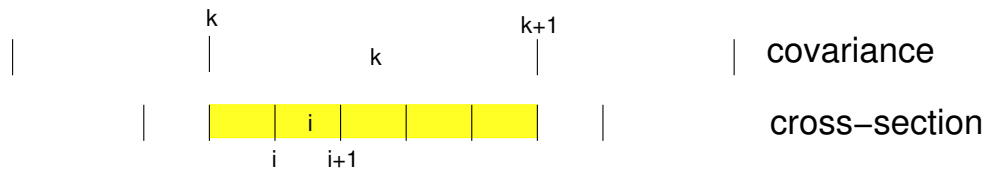


Figure 17: Projection operator S_i^k maps cross-section energy bins to covariance energy bins. The shaded energy bins have $S_i^k = 1$, and all others have $S_i^k = 0$

Using S_i^k , the formula used to construct estimates of the covariance matrix from the library data are as follows:

$$LB = 1 : \quad \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = \sum_{k=1}^M S_i^k S_j^k F_k X_i X_j \quad (20)$$

$$LB = 5 : \quad \text{Cov}(X_i, Y_j) = \sum_{k=1}^M \sum_{k'=1}^M S_i^k S_j^{k'} F_{kk'} X_i Y_j \quad (21)$$

$$LB = 6 : \quad \text{Cov}(X_i, Y_j) = \sum_{k=1}^M \sum_{k'=1}^{M'} S_i^k S_j^{k'} F_{kk'} X_i Y_j \quad (22)$$

$$LB = 8 : \quad \text{Cov}(X_i, X_j) = \sum_{k=1}^M S_i^k S_j^k 1000 F_k \quad (\text{Koning}) \quad (23)$$

$$(\text{or} = \sum_{k=1}^M S_i^k \delta_{ij} 1000 F_k) \quad (24)$$

The LB=1 case (Equation (20)) is the one that applies to the computation of Δ for the EAF data. Covariances are described by a fraction for each k bin and the different k bins are assumed to be uncorrelated.

The LB = 5, 6, and 8 cases appear in the TENDL libraries. The LB = 5 data for X and Y referring to the same reaction are used to compute Δ , and are assumed to have LS=0. The LB = 6 data give cross-correlations between collapsed cross-sections. These are read but not used in the present version of the code. The LB = 8 data are produced from the same source as the LB = 5 data for $X = Y$, with some of the cross-correlations discarded and use definitions different from those in the ENDF manual [15]. FISPACT-II reads and discards these data.

C.3 Decay Modes

The code will allow 27 decay modes by which the parent nuclide j can decay to daughter nuclide i . These are listed in Table 19. The index IRT is the index used in the code. The index RTYP is the ENDF-6 reaction type code used for reaction product code MT = 457 [15, Sec. 8.3, page 8.5]. (The table also includes two unused IRT codes and another to indicate an unknown decay mode, so the maximum IRT is 26.) The decay constant λ_i^j appearing in Equation (8) is the sum of the decay constants for the transmutation of nuclide j to i . In terms of the directed graph, the edge shown in Figure 16 corresponds to the combination of a subset of 23 possible decay edges from j to i .

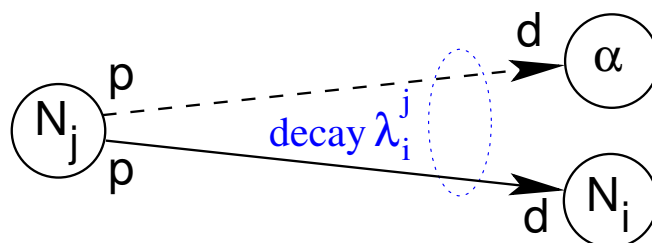


Figure 18: Decay processes (e.g., α -decay) may produce secondary gas nuclides that are included in the inventory calculation.

Some of the decay modes listed in Table 19 have secondary gas nuclides that are included in the inventory calculation, and the number of these is NSEC and their names are included in the right hand column of the table. This is illustrated in Figure 18. The primary reaction leads to a secondary edge in the directed graph, and other products from these decays are regarded as debris that is ignored. When there are gas nuclide secondaries, then a secondary edge from nuclide j to the gas nuclide is associated with the decay from j to i . There may be 0, 1 or 2 secondaries associated with a decay type; see Table 19 for details.

Table 19: Decay Types (MT=457) recognised by the code. The column labelled ‘Code’ is the description used in output from FISPACT-II, NSEC is the number of secondaries and ‘Secs’ is an abbreviation for ‘Secondaries’.

IRT	RTYP	Description	ΔZ	ΔA	Code	NSEC	Secs
1	1	β^- decay	1	0	b-	0	
2	2	β^+ decay or electron capture	-1	0	b+	0	
3	3	isomeric transition (IT)	0	0	IT	0	
4	4	α decay	-2	-4	a	1	^4He
5	5	neutron emission	0	-1	n	0	
6	6	spontaneous fission (SF)	-999	-999	SF	0	
7	7	proton emission	-1	-1	p	1	^1H
8	8	not used	0	0	0		
9	9	not used	0	0	0		
10	10	unknown	0	0	0		
11	1.5	β^- decay + neutron emission	1	-1	b-n	0	
12	1.4	β^- decay + α emission	-1	-4	b-a	1	^4He
13	2.4	β^+ decay + α emission	-3	-4	b+a	1	^4He
14	2.7	β^+ decay + proton emission	-2	-1	b+p	1	^1H
15	3.4	IT followed by α emission	-2	-4	IT+a	1	^4He
16	1.1	double β^- decay	2	0	b-b-	0	
17	1.6	β^- decay followed by SF	-999	-999	b-SF	0	
18	7.7	double proton emission	-2	-2	pp	2	$^1\text{H } ^1\text{H}$
19	2.2	double β^+ or electron capture	-2	0	b+b+	0	
20	1.55	β^- and double neutron emission	1	-2	b-2n	0	
21	1.555	β^- and triple neutron emission	1	-3	b-3n	0	
22	1.5555	β^- and quadruple neutron emission	1	-4	b-4n	0	
23	5.5	double neutron emission	0	-2	2n	0	
24	5.55	triple neutron emission	0	-3	3n	0	
25	2.77	β^+ decay + double proton emission	-3	-2	b+2p	2	$^1\text{H } ^1\text{H}$
26	2.777	β^+ decay + triple proton emission	-4	-3	b+3p	3	$^1\text{H } ^1\text{H } ^1\text{H}$
27	2.6	β^+ decay followed by SF	-999	-999	b+SF	0	

Table 20: Decay Radiation Types (MT=457) recognised by FISPACT-II The column headed ‘Code’ is the description used in output from FISPACT-II.

STYP	Radiation Type		Code
0	γ	gamma rays	gamma
1	β^-	beta rays	beta
2	ec, (β^+)	electron capture and/or positron emission	ec, beta+
3		not known	not known
4	α	alpha particles	alpha
5	n	neutrons	n
6	SF	spontaneous fission fragments	SF
7	p	protons	p
8	e^-	“discrete electrons”	e-
9	x	X-rays and annihilation radiation	x

C.3.1 Heating

Heating from decay is computed using the average decay energies for light particles, electromagnetic radiation and heavy particles that are included in the data in the decay file.

C.3.2 Gamma spectrum

A 22- or 24-group histogram is generated by nearest grid point binning of the intensities of discrete gamma and X-ray lines (STYP= 0 or 9) contained in the data from the decay file.

C.3.3 Neutron yield

The spontaneous fission neutron yield (STYP=5) is accumulated using the decay yields contained in the decay file.

C.4 Neutron Reactions

The main application of the code is to neutron activation calculations. In these the transmutation of a nuclide j to another nuclide i (and in some cases additional secondaries) may result from:

1. one of the decay processes listed in Table 19
2. one of the neutron-induced reactions listed in Table 21

The output for the induced reaction produced by FISPACT-II uses the code n for the neutron projectile and g, n, p, d, t, h, a respectively for products γ, N, T, h, α when printing output.

Decay processes are described in Section C.3 above. There are three special cases in the list of neutron-induced reactions:

Elastic scattering (MT=2 in Table 21). This special case is where the projectile z elastically scatters from the target nuclide and is designated (z, E) ;

Other reactions (MT=5 in Table 21). The set of reactions labelled as “other reactions” is a special case and is designated (z, O) for projectile z ;

Fission (MT=18 in Table 21). The neutron-induced fission reaction (n, F) is a special case, and is treated below in Section C.5.

The total effective cross-section σ_i^j used in Equation (8) is obtained by summing the contributions from the different reactions.

$$\sigma_i^j = \sum_{mt} \left(\sigma_i^j((n, \{prod\})_{mt}) + \sum_{k \neq i} s_i \sigma_k^j((n, \{s_i i, \dots\})_{mt}) \right) \quad (25)$$

where $\sigma_i^j((n, \{prod\})_{mt})$ is the cross-section for the production of nuclide i from nuclide j through the neutron induced-reaction with code mt as summarised in Table 21; these data are tabulated in file `crosssec`. The second sum in Equation (25) is the production of secondary gas nuclide i from the reaction producing nuclide k from j , where s_i is the number of secondaries of nuclide i per reaction.

Table 21: Neutron induced reactions recognised by the code.

Projectile	Products	MT	ΔZ	ΔA	NSEC	Secondaries
n	total	1	0	0	0	
n	E	2	0	0	0	
n	nonel	3	0	0	0	
n	n	4	0	0	0	
n	O	5			0	
n	2nd	11	-1	-3	1	² H
n	2n	16	0	-1	0	
n	3n	17	0	-2	0	
n	F	18			0	
n	n α	22	-2	-4	1	⁴ He
n	n3 α	23	-6	-12	3	⁴ He ⁴ He ⁴ He
n	2n α	24	-2	-5	1	⁴ He
n	3n α	25	-2	-6	1	⁴ He
n	np	28	-1	-1	1	¹ H

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Projectile	Products	MT	ΔZ	ΔA	NSEC	Secondaries
n	n2 α	29	-4	-8	2	⁴ He ⁴ He
n	2n2 α	30	-4	-9	2	⁴ He ⁴ He
n	nd	32	-1	-2	1	² H
n	nt	33	-1	-3	1	³ H
n	nh	34	-2	-3	1	³ He
n	nd2 α	35	-5	-10	3	² H ⁴ He ⁴ He
n	nt2 α	36	-5	-11	3	³ H ⁴ He ⁴ He
n	4n	37	0	-3	0	
n	2np	41	-1	-2	1	¹ H
n	3np	42	-1	-3	1	¹ H
n	n2p	44	-2	-2	2	¹ H ¹ H
n	np α	45	-3	-5	2	¹ H ⁴ He
n	γ	102	0	1	0	
n	p	103	-1	0	1	¹ H
n	d	104	-1	-1	1	² H
n	t	105	-1	-2	1	³ H
n	h	106	-2	-2	1	³ He
n	α	107	-2	-3	1	⁴ He
n	2 α	108	-4	-7	2	⁴ He ⁴ He
n	3 α	109	-6	-11	3	⁴ He ⁴ He ⁴ He
n	2p	111	-2	-1	2	¹ H ¹ H
n	p α	112	-3	-4	2	¹ H ⁴ He
n	t2 α	113	-5	-10	3	³ H ⁴ He ⁴ He
n	d2 α	114	-5	-9	3	² H ⁴ He ⁴ He
n	pd	115	-2	-2	2	¹ H ² H
n	pt	116	-2	-3	2	¹ H ³ H
n	d α	117	-3	-5	2	² H ⁴ He
n	5n	152	0	-4	0	
n	6n	153	0	-5	0	
n	2nt	154	-1	-4	1	³ H
n	t α	155	-3	-6	2	³ H ⁴ He
n	4np	156	-1	-4	1	¹ H
n	3nd	157	-1	-4	1	² H
n	nd α	158	-3	-6	2	² H ⁴ He
n	2np α	159	-3	-6	2	¹ H ⁴ He
n	7n	160	0	-6	0	
n	8n	161	0	-7	0	
n	5np	162	-1	-5	1	¹ H
n	6np	163	-1	-6	1	¹ H
n	7np	164	-1	-7	1	¹ H
n	4n α	165	-2	-7	1	⁴ He
n	5n α	166	-2	-8	1	⁴ He

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Projectile	Products	MT	ΔZ	ΔA	NSEC	Secondaries
n	6n α	167	-2	-9	1	⁴ He
n	7n α	168	-2	-10	1	⁴ He
n	4nd	169	-1	-5	1	² H
n	5nd	170	-1	-6	1	² H
n	6nd	171	-1	-7	1	² H
n	3nt	172	-1	-5	1	³ H
n	4nt	173	-1	-6	1	³ H
n	5nt	174	-1	-7	1	³ H
n	6nt	175	-1	-8	1	³ H
n	2nh	176	-2	-4	1	³ He
n	3nh	177	-2	-5	1	³ He
n	4nh	178	-2	-6	1	³ He
n	3n2p	179	-2	-4	2	¹ H ¹ H
n	3n2 α	180	-4	-10	2	⁴ He ⁴ He
n	3np α	181	-3	-7	2	¹ H ⁴ He
n	dt	182	-2	-4	2	² H ³ H
n	npd	183	-2	-3	2	¹ H ² H
n	npt	184	-2	-4	2	¹ H ³ H
n	ndt	185	-2	-5	2	² H ³ H
n	nph	186	-3	-4	2	¹ H ³ He
n	ndh	187	-3	-5	2	² H ³ He
n	nth	188	-3	-6	2	³ H ³ He
n	nt α	189	-3	-7	2	³ H ⁴ He
n	2n2p	190	-2	-3	2	¹ H ¹ H
n	ph	191	-3	-3	2	¹ H ³ He
n	dh	192	-3	-4	2	² H ³ He
n	h α	193	-4	-6	2	³ He ⁴ He
n	4n2p	194	-2	-5	2	¹ H ¹ H
n	4n2 α	195	-4	-11	2	⁴ He ⁴ He
n	4np α	196	-3	-8	2	¹ H ⁴ He
n	3p	197	-3	-2	3	¹ H ¹ H ¹ H
n	n3p	198	-3	-3	3	¹ H ¹ H ¹ H
n	3n2p α	199	-4	-8	3	¹ H ¹ H ⁴ He
n	5n2p	200	-2	-6	2	¹ H ¹ H

C.4.1 Other reactions: gas, heat and damage

The neutron induced cross-section set of Table 21 has been extended and complemented by a further set of diagnostic reactions of technological importance in the design and assessment of nuclear power systems. These are listed in Table 22. For MT = {201–207}, the z denotes any projectile (γ , n, d, p, α) and X is a positive integer. There may be other products from the reaction but these are not displayed. Data for these

reactions are included in the new TENDL libraries, and are summarised in the printlib cross-section output tables.

Table 22: Additional MT numbers for Gas production, Dpa and Kerma assessment.

MT	Description
201	(z,Xn) Total neutron production
202	(z,X γ) Total gamma production
203	(z,Xp) Total proton production
204	(z,Xd) Total deuteron production
205	(z,Xt) Total triton production
206	(z,Xh) Total helion (^3He) production
207	(z,X α) Total alpha particle production
301	Kerma total (eV-barns)
302	Kerma elastic
303	Kerma non-elastic (all but MT=2)
304	Kerma inelastic (MT={51-91})
318	Kerma fission (MT=18 or MT= {19, 20, 21, 38})
401	Kerma disappearance (MT={102-120})
403	Kerma for protons
407	Kerma for alphas
442	Total photon (eV-barns)
443	Total kinematic kerma (high limit)
444	Dpa total (eV-barns)
445	Dpa elastic (MT=2)
446	Dpa inelastic (MT={51-91})
447	Dpa disappearance (MT={102-120})

The NJOY [30] modules GASPR and HEATR can be used on a properly filled evaluation to generate gas production reactions, heat production cross-sections and radiation damage energy production. Heating is described by the Kerma (Kinetic Energy Release in Materials) coefficient and the damage caused by irradiation is described by Dpa (displacements per atom). The resulting dataset can be defined in terms of an MT number, and may be read into FISPACT-II and used in subsidiary calculations during inventory runs to quantify the damage to materials caused by neutron irradiation. See the end of Section 5.1.4 for a description of the output of kerma, dpa and appm rates.

C.4.2 Ignored reactions

The new ENDF style libraries of cross-section data may contain MT values not included in Tables 21 and 22. Data for the MT numbers shown in Table 23 are silently ignored. Data for any other MT encountered cause warning messages to be issued.

Table 23: Additional MT numbers for reactions that are silently ignored.

MT	Description
19	(n,f) First chance fission reaction
20	(n,nf) Second chance fission reaction
21	(n,2nf) Third chance fission reaction
38	(n,3nf) Fourth chance fission reaction
46–101	(z,n _i) Neutron production with residuals in excited states
110	Unassigned
118–150	Various p, d, t, α reactions
221	unassigned
251-253	scattering of neutron
402	energy release parameter
600–849	Various proton production reactions
851–859	Lumped reaction covariances
875–891	Various double neutron productions

C.4.3 Self-shielding of resonant channels using probability tables

The probability tables keyword in FISPACT-II (see Section 4.59) allows probability table data generated by CALENDF [75, 14] to be used to model dilution effects in the computation of the collapsed effective cross-sections. CALENDF provides data in five sets of macro-partial cross-sections: The CALENDF set MT numbers (cal-mt) are defined in Table 24. The sum of these macro-partial cross-sections gives the total cross-section in each energy group over the resonance regions covered.

Table 24: CALENDF MT number.

cal-mt	description	MT in set
2	elastic scattering	2
101	absorption (no outgoing neutron)	102 103 107
18	fission total	18
4	inelastic scattering (emitting one neutron)	4 11
15	multiple neutron production (excluding fission)	5 16 17 37

The data provided by CALENDF are cross-section and probability values depending on four parameters:

$$\sigma(x, n) \equiv \sigma(p, g, x, n) \quad (26)$$

$$P(x, n) \equiv P(p, g, x, n) \quad (27)$$

where

p = parent nuclide number,

g = energy group number,

x = macro-partial (or total) index,
 n = quadrature index,

In the expressions below, we suppress the explicit display of dependence of cross-section on the parent nuclide p and energy group g except in the formulae for dilution. The infinite dilution ($d = \infty$) cross-section for a given parent, energy group and component is

$$\sigma(x, d = \infty) = \frac{1}{E_{max} - E_{min}} \int_{E_{min}}^{E_{max}} \sigma(E) dE = \sum_{n=1}^N P(x, n) \sigma(x, n) \quad (28)$$

When a nuclide is a part of a homogenous mixture of nuclides, then the effective cross-sections in the resonance regions are reduced, and are parameterised using the dilution cross-section d [76, 77, 78, 75]:

$$\sigma(x, d) = \frac{\sum_{n=1}^N P(x, n) \sigma(x, n) / (\sigma_t(n) + d)}{\sum_{n=1}^N P(x, n) / (\sigma_t(n) + d)} \quad (29)$$

where the total cross-section is given by the sum of the macro-partial:

$$\sigma_t(n) = \sum_{x=1}^X \sigma(x, n) \quad (30)$$

The total cross-section for nuclide p in energy group g at dilution d is given by

$$\sigma^{tot}(d) = \sum_{x=1}^X \sigma(x, d_p) \quad (31)$$

The probability table data from CALENDF are used in conjunction with the 616 energy group cross-section data in the EAF library or the 709 group data in the TENDL library. In the following discussion, we use the term ‘library’ or ‘LIB’ to refer to either the EAF or TENDL cross-section data as appropriate. The dilution computed using the CALENDF data is applied either as scaling factors to the library cross-section data or as replacements over the energy ranges for which the probability table data are available. (This is selected using the *multxs* argument to the **PROBTABLE** keyword). If the CALENDF and library data were fully self-consistent, then the same self-shielding would be obtained for both choices of *multxs*, but the absence of elastic scattering cross-section in the EAF data lead to some differences. For either choice of *multxs*, either partial or total scaling may be applied.

Scaling applied to LIB data: Scaling is applied to the library data in one of two ways depending on the *usepar* argument to the **PROBTABLE** keyword (see Section 4.59 on page 95).

If the partial self-shielding scaling factor option is chosen, then the cross-section for nuclide p in energy group g and for MT value y belonging to the macro-partial group x

is scaled according to

$$\sigma^{new}(y, d) = \sigma^{LIB}(y) \left(\frac{\sigma(x, d)}{\sigma(x, d = \infty)} \right) \quad (32)$$

and for the total scaling factor

$$\sigma^{new}(y, d) = \sigma^{LIB}(y) \left(\frac{\sigma^{tot}(d)}{\sigma^{tot}(d = \infty)} \right) \quad (33)$$

The dilution $d(p, g)$ for a given nuclide p and energy group g is computed using a weighted sum over all the nuclides, $q = 1, Q$ in the mixture. The fraction f_q of the mixture is nuclide q . Nuclides in the mixture may or may not be included in the list of nuclides to which the self-shielding correction is to be applied. Nuclides to which self-shielding corrections are applied must be in the mixture list. The first approximation is given using the total cross-sections from the cross-section library:

$$d^{(0)}(p, g) = \sum_{\substack{q=1 \\ p \neq q}}^Q \frac{f_q \sigma^{LIB-tot}(q, g)}{f_p} \quad (34)$$

where

$$\sigma^{LIB-tot}(p, g) = \sum_{y=1}^Y \sigma^{LIB}(p, g, y) \quad (35)$$

Over the energy range for which the probability table data are available for those nuclides in the mixture for which self-shielding corrections are being applied, the approximation given by Eq. (34) is iteratively refined using

$$S^{(i)}(g) = \sum_{q=1}^Q f_q \sigma^{LIB-tot}(q, g) \left(\frac{\sigma^{tot}(q, g, d^{(i)}(q, g))}{\sigma^{tot}(q, g, \infty)} \right) \quad (36)$$

$$d^{(i+1)}(p, g) = \frac{S^{(i)}(g)}{f_p} - \sigma^{LIB-tot}(p, g) \left(\frac{\sigma^{tot}(p, g, d^{(i)}(p, g))}{\sigma^{tot}(p, g, \infty)} \right) \quad (37)$$

Replacement of LIB data: If there is only one reaction MT in the CALENDF macro-partial group, then the replacement formulae would be given by replacing the σ^{LIB} values in the above equations by the infinite dilution cross-sections obtained from the CALENDF data. When there is more than one reaction in the macro-partial set, then the dilution effect has to be apportioned according to the LIB reaction cross-sections.

If the partial self-shielding scaling factor option is chosen, then the cross-section for nuclide p in energy group g and for MT value y belonging to the macro-partial group x is given by

$$\sigma^{new}(y, d_p) = \sigma(x, d_p) \left(\frac{\sigma^{LIB}(y)}{\sum_{y' \in x} \sigma^{LIB}(y')} \right) \quad (38)$$

and for the total scaling factor

$$\sigma^{new}(y, d_p) = \sigma(x, \infty) \left(\frac{\sigma^{LIB}(y)}{\sum_{y' \in x} \sigma^{LIB}(y')} \right) \left(\frac{\sigma^{tot}(d_p)}{\sigma^{tot}(\infty)} \right) \quad (39)$$

The initial values of the dilutions are given by Equations (34) and (35) and the iterative refinements where CALENDF probability table data are available are given by

$$S^{(i)}(g) = \sum_{q=1}^Q f_q \sigma^{tot}(q, g, d^{(i)}(q, g)) \quad (40)$$

$$d^{(i+1)}(p, g) = \frac{S^{(i)}(g)}{f_p} - \sigma^{tot}(p, g, d_p^{(i)}) \quad (41)$$

The set of nuclides for which the self-shielding correction is calculated is specified by the **SSFCHOOSE** keyword. The set of nuclides included in the mixture for computing the dilution cross-section is specified by either the **SSFMASS** or **SSFFUEL** keyword. Nuclides included in the **SSFCHOOSE** keyword list that are not included in the in mixture will cause a fatal error message to be issued by the program.

The values of dilution given by Equation (37) or (41) may be overridden using the **SSFDILUTION** keyword (Section 4.74).

Tables of the energies, cross-sections, dilutions and self-shielding factors are printed for each of the nuclides to which the self-shielding correction is applied.

The final diagnostic table gives the collapsed cross-sections with ($\sigma^{new}(p, y)$) and without ($\sigma^{LIB}(p, y)$) the self-shielding correction. Also printed is the effective self-shielding factor for the collapsed cross-section:

$$ssf(p, y) = \frac{\sigma^{new}(p, y)}{\sigma^{LIB}(p, y)} \quad (42)$$

C.4.4 Self-shielding of resonant channels, using the universal curve model

Starting from Release 2.10, FISPACT-II provides a second method of accounting for self shielding in thick targets with a variety of geometries. This can be used as an alternative to the probability table method described in the previous section; it is not possible to use both descriptions of self shielding simultaneously.

In a series of papers [26, 27, 28], the authors Martinho, Gonçalves and Salgado described a “universal sigmoid curve” model of self shielding to account for the reduction of the neutron flux by cross-section resonances in the context of neutron activation analysis. They based their development on earlier experimental and theoretical work by Baumann [79].

The Martinho et al [26] model initially described the effect of a single resonance peak in a pure target consisting of a single nuclide. The self-shielding factor G_{res} is approximated as a simple function of a single dimensionless length parameter that depends on the physical size and shape of the target as well as the peak cross-section at the resonance and the resonance widths for elastic scattering and radiative capture.

The final form of the model [28] accommodates a group of isolated resonances of a pure target, and the target geometry could be a foil, wire, sphere or cylinder of finite height.

This model has been generalised further and applied to the mixture of nuclides required for a FISPACT-II calculation.

The FISPACT-II user invokes this model of self shielding by using the **SSFGEOMETRY** keyword to define the type and dimensions of the target, as detailed in Table 25.

Table 25: The types of target geometry recognised by FISPACT-II.

Identifier	Type	Dimension(s)	Effective length (y)
1	foil	thickness (t)	$y = 1.5t$
2	wire	radius (r)	$y = 2r$
3	sphere	radius (r)	$y = r$
4	cylinder	radius (r), height (h)	$y = 1.65rh/(r + h)$

In more detail, the initial form of the model [26] that accounts for the effect of a single resonance in a pure target containing a single nuclide defines a dimensionless parameter

$$z = \Sigma_{tot}(E_{res})y\sqrt{\frac{\Gamma_{\gamma}}{\Gamma}} \quad (43)$$

that depends on the physical length y , the macroscopic cross-section $\Sigma_{tot}(E_{res})$ at the energy E_{res} of the resonance peak, the resonance width Γ_{γ} for radiative capture and the total resonance width Γ . Then the self-shielding factor is

$$G_{res}(z) = \frac{A_1 - A_2}{1 + (z/z_0)^p} + A_2 \quad (44)$$

where the parameters defining this “universal sigmoid curve” are

$$A_1 = 1.000 \pm 0.005 \quad (45)$$

$$A_2 = 0.060 \pm 0.011 \quad (46)$$

$$z_0 = 2.70 \pm 0.09 \quad (47)$$

$$p = 0.82 \pm 0.02 \quad (48)$$

These parameters were determined empirically by Martinho et al [26] by fitting to a set of points generated by performing Monte-Carlo simulations with the MCNP code for a variety of targets of different shapes, sizes and compositions. Six nuclides that exhibit strong resonances were used individually, not as mixtures.

The model was then extended by Martinho et al [27], who defined an effective length y for cylinders of finite height, but a more significant extension was provided by Salgado et al [28], who defined an average $\langle G_{res} \rangle$ by assigning weights to each resonance and forming an average of the individual G_{res} factors calculated for each resonance individually. The weight of resonance i is

$$w_i = \left(\frac{\Gamma_\gamma}{E_{res}^2} \cdot \frac{g\Gamma_n}{\Gamma} \right)_i \quad (49)$$

where

Γ_n is the neutron scattering width;

g is the statistical factor, $(2J + 1)/(2(2I + 1))$;

J is the spin of the resonance state;

I is the spin of the target nucleus.

Then the effective self-shielding factor is

$$\langle G_{res} \rangle = \frac{\sum_i w_i G_{res}(z_i)}{\sum_i w_i} \quad (50)$$

where each z_i is calculated from Eq. (43) using the effective length of the target, y and the resonance parameters for resonance i .

This model has been generalised further in two ways to make it suitable for application in FISPACT-II.

First, the average self-shielding factor is computed from the resonance parameters given in the resolved resonance range defined in the ENDF File 2 data for a subset of the nuclides specified with the **SSFFUEL** or **SSFMASS** keywords. It is assumed that the resonances for the mixture of nuclides are separated in energy sufficiently for them not to overlap significantly.

Note that TENDL-2017 uses a unique approach to create parameters for resolved statistical resonances for a large number of isotopes that did not have any. This method invokes global average parameters from the different systematics and from the TALYS reaction code [36]. These parameters are then used by either the CALENDF code or by the R-matrix code AVEFIT. Statistical resonance parameters are then obtained from zero up to the first excited level, reflecting the average resonance parameters coming from compound model calculations. Above the first inelastic level, grouped inelastic cross sections with local fluctuations are obtained. This method complements the measured resonance parameters, or provides a resolved resonance range when measurements do not exist. In between these two cases, statistical resonance parameters are adjusted to integral measurements when available. This method, which has been

successfully applied to all isotopes living longer than one second, has been used to populate resonance range of the TENDL libraries [37].

The cross-section at a resonance peak is not supplied in the ENDF data. The simple expression provided by Fröhner [Eq. (186)][80] is used to supply this information.

Secondly, $\langle G_{res} \rangle$ is made energy dependent by taking averages separately for each energy bin used for the group-wise cross-sections, including only those resonances with peaks in the relevant energy bin. Then this array of energy-dependent self-shielding factors is applied to each energy-dependent cross-section before the cross-section collapse.

The principle underlying this model of self shielding is that the resonances perturb the spectrum of the applied neutron flux. Consequently, the self shielding factors should modify the cross-sections for all reactions. However, the effect of self shielding varies from reaction to reaction because of the differing energy dependencies of the cross-sections.

C.4.5 Flux specified by Power

FISPACT-II integrates the evolution of the inventory over a given time interval for a specified input flux. In reactor applications, it is often more convenient to integrate for fixed output power levels. The kerma data provided with the TENDL libraries makes this possible.

If we let κ_i^{mt} be the kinetic energy releases in the material by process mt for nuclide io , then the total power P released per unit volume is given by

$$P = \frac{\phi}{V} \sum_{i=1}^{N_n} N_i \sum m = 1^{mt} \kappa_i^{mt} \quad (51)$$

where ϕ is the incident projectile flux ($\text{cm}^{-2}\text{s}^{-1}$), N_i is the number of nuclide i and V is the volume (cm^3). If κ_i^{mt} is in units J cm^{-2} , then P is in W cm^{-3} .

The keyword **POWER** uses the input power in W cm^{-3} to set the flux according to Equation (51), using the inventory at the start of the time interval. The power will evolve as the inventory evolves, and so it may be necessary to break long irradiation phases into sub-steps that adjust the flux at each sub-step to maintain the desired output power level.

C.5 Fission

The EAF libraries have very little induced fission yield data and relatively few nuclides. At most, the fission yield data is in three energy ranges, and an extrapolation procedure

is used to fill in missing data. To assess the effects of fission of actinides without fission yield data, fission associations were defined using the `asscfy` data stream so that actinides without fission yield data use the data of a nuclide with similar properties. Surrogate daughters were introduced to fill in where daughter nuclides are not included. Subsection C.5.2 describes these.

The new GEF ENDF style libraries have fission yield data for many more nuclides, and these data are tabulated in energy bins in the same manner as for cross-sections and covariances. With data available for many more nuclides, the fission association and surrogate daughter algorithms are not applied. The new treatment of fission yield is described below in Subsection C.5.1

C.5.1 ENDF data

The induced and spontaneous fission yield data, like the covariance data, are on coarser energy grids than the flux and cross-sections. To collapse the fission yield, the weights are calculated using

$$W_k = \sum_{i=1}^N S_i^k \phi_i \sigma_{i,fission} / \sum_{i=1}^N \phi_i \sigma_{i,fission} \quad (52)$$

where there are $k \in [1, K]$ fission yield energy groups. Note that, unlike the legacy EAF fission energy-dependence, the ENDF fission yields are correctly weighted by the reaction rate and not the spectrum. This historical error has not been corrected in the EAF data handling, which is described in the following section. Users employing spectra that are not mono-energetic must be wary, since the legacy fission yield handling is completely erroneous.

The ENDF yields are collapsed using

$$Y = \sum_{k=1}^K W_k Y_k \quad (53)$$

The variance of the collapsed fission yield is given by

$$var = \sum_{k=1}^K (W_k F_k)^2 \quad (54)$$

where F_k are the tabulated 1σ errors in the ENDF file. The fractional uncertainty is $\Delta = \sqrt{var}/Y$. In the present version of the FISPACT-II the fission yield uncertainty is not used. For true, correlated uncertainty propagation with all covariances between yields, users are advised to employ Total Monte-Carlo methods using perturbed files. See [81].

C.5.2 EAF data

Projectile-induced fission yield data are available in three projectile energy ranges:

thermal	under 200 keV
fast	between 200 keV and 5 MeV
high	over 5 MeV

The boundary energies are $E_{hf} = 5$ MeV and $E_{ft} = 200$ keV. It is assumed that there is a maximum of one fission yield fraction in each of these energy ranges for a given projectile, parent and daughter fragment.

The algorithm for infilling unknown values is:

- If yields for the thermal, fast and high energy projectiles, Y_t , Y_f and Y_h are known then these are used.
- If only one value Y is known, then set $Y_t = Y_f = Y_h = Y$.
- If only Y_t and Y_h are known, set $Y_f = (Y_t + Y_h)/2$, and if values for Y_t or Y_h are unknown, then set them to Y_f .

A single fission yield factor for use in the inventory equations is obtained by collapsing the available data in a manner similar to that used for cross-sections (Equation (11)). Fluxes in the thermal, fast and high energy groups are found by summing fluxes in the narrower groups used for the cross-sections.

A simple nearest-grid-point algorithm for this is as follows. Let ϕ_i be the flux in the cross-section energy group that lies between energies E_i and E_{i+1} (data are in decreasing energy order, and $1 \leq i < i_{max}$), then the group energy is $\bar{E}_i = (E_i + E_{i+1})/2$. Let i_{hf} and i_{ft} be the largest i for which $\bar{E}_i \geq E_{hf}$ and $\bar{E}_i \geq E_{ft}$, respectively, then

$$\phi_h = \sum_{i=1}^{i_{hf}-1} \phi(E_i) \quad (55)$$

$$\phi_f = \sum_{i=i_{hf}}^{i_{ft}-1} \phi(E_i) \quad (56)$$

$$\phi_t = \sum_{i=i_{ft}}^{i_{max}} \phi(E_i) \quad (57)$$

$$\phi^{int} = \phi_h + \phi_f + \phi_t \quad (58)$$

and the collapsed fission yield is given by

$$Y = (\phi_h Y_h + \phi_f Y_f + \phi_t Y_t) / \phi^{int} \quad (59)$$

Note that this method is highly erroneous, since it applies *spectrum weighting* instead of reaction rate weighting, and also applies a crude (but common) three energy group method. No effort has been made to correct this, as far superior methods are available using ENDF fission yield files, including the GEFY evaluations. Users are strongly encouraged to upgrade their methods if employing fission yields.

Before the advent of much more sophisticated methods, associated fission yields were employed by assuming yields to be approximately similar to those of neighboring fissionable nuclides with some evaluated data. The algorithm works as follows:

- If the daughter fission product is in the list of nuclides known to the program, then assign the fission yield to that daughter.
- If the daughter is not listed, then assign its yield to the first nuclide encountered in the list of nuclides with the same A , and the same or larger Z .
- If neither of the above cases is satisfied, then assign the yield to the ‘sink’ nuclide.

C.6 Non-neutron Reactions

C.6.1 Gamma Reactions

The set of reactions allowed for gamma activation is identical to the set of 90 reactions for neutron activation. The table for these reactions can be obtained by replacing the projectile n by γ , and decreasing all the values of ΔA by 1 in Table 21.

C.6.2 Proton Reactions

The set of reactions allowed for proton activation is identical to the set of 90 reactions for neutron activation. The table for these reactions can be obtained by replacing the projectile n by p , and increasing all the values of ΔZ by 1 in Table 21.

C.6.3 Deuteron Reactions

The set of reactions allowed for deuteron activation is identical to the set of 90 reactions for neutron activation. The table for these reactions can be obtained by replacing the projectile n by d , and increasing all the values of ΔZ by 1 and all the values of ΔA by 1 in Table 21.

C.6.4 Alpha Reactions

The set of reactions allowed for alpha particle activation is identical to the set of 90 reactions for neutron activation. The table for these reactions can be obtained by replacing the projectile n by α , and increasing all the values of ΔZ by 2 and all the values of ΔA by 3 in Table 21.

C.6.5 Triton Reactions

The set of reactions allowed for triton particle activation is identical to the set of 90 reactions for neutron activation. The table for these reactions can be obtained by replacing the projectile n by t, and increasing all the values of ΔZ by 1 and all the values of ΔA by 2 in Table 21.

C.6.6 Helion Reactions

The set of reactions allowed for helion particle activation is identical to the set of 90 reactions for neutron activation. The table for these reactions can be obtained by replacing the projectile n by h, and increasing all the values of ΔZ by 2 and all the values of ΔA by 2 in Table 21.

C.7 Gamma Radiation

In addition to the activity of irradiated materials, another measure of acceptability is the dose rate from emitted γ rays. FISPACT-II uses two approximate estimates of the γ dose rate due to irradiation by neutrons: contact dose from the surface of a semi-infinite slab or dose at a given distance from a point source. For both measures, the contribution of high-energy β -particle bremsstrahlung to the total dose rate can be significant, and this may be output using the **BREMSSTRAHLUNG** keyword. The formulae used for these are discussed in the following sub-subsections.

C.7.1 Contact gamma-dose rate

Equation (60) shows the formula used to calculate the γ dose rate at the surface of a semi-infinite slab of material, it is taken from Jaeger [82]:

$$D = C \frac{B}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{N_{\gamma}} \frac{\mu_a(E_i)}{\mu_m(E_i)} S_{\gamma}(E_i) \quad (60)$$

where

D = surface γ dose rate (Sv h⁻¹)

N_γ = number of energy groups in the γ spectrum histogram
 E_i = mean energy of the i -th energy group (c.f., Table 6 on page 77)
 μ_a = mass energy absorption coefficient (μ_{en}/ρ) of air ($\text{m}^2 \text{kg}^{-1}$)
 μ_m = mass energy attenuation coefficient (μ/ρ) of the material ($\text{m}^2 \text{kg}^{-1}$)
 B = build up factor (= 2)
 S_γ = rate of γ emission ($\text{MeV kg}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$)
 $C = 3.6 \times 10^9 |e|$ converts ($\text{MeV kg}^{-1} \text{s}^{-1}$) to (Sv h^{-1})

The EAF library file `absorp` (see Section A.7.5) contains μ/ρ [$\text{cm}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$] for all elements in increasing Z order, μ [m^{-1}] and μ_{en}/ρ [$\text{cm}^2 \text{g}^{-1}$] for air and the mean energies of the 24-group structure.

The value of μ_m for the material is calculated from the elemental values μ_{mj} provided by the `absorp` data file using

$$\mu_m = \sum_j f_j \mu_{mj} \quad (61)$$

where $f_j = (\text{mass of element } j)/(\text{total mass})$.

The value of the emission rate S_γ is calculated using

$$S_\gamma(E_i) = I_i A(t) \quad (62)$$

where I_i is the intensity of energy group i (MeV) and $A(t)$ is the specific activity of material at time t (Bq kg^{-1}). If discrete spectral line data are available, then I_i is obtained by summing the contributions from spectral lines in energy group i read from the decay data files. If data are not available, then an approximate value may be computed as described below in Section C.7.3.

C.7.2 Gamma dose rate from point source

Equation (63) shows the standard formula (taken from Reference[82]) for calculation of the dose rate from a point source in air.

$$D = C \sum_{i=1}^{N_\gamma} \frac{\mu_a}{4\pi r^2} e^{-\mu(E_i)r} m_s S_\gamma(E_i) \quad (63)$$

where C , N_γ , μ_a , S_γ are as defined above for Equation (60), and
 m_s = mass of source (kg)
 r = distance from source (m)
 $\mu(E_i)$ = energy attenuation coefficient of air (m^{-1})

Both Equations (60) and (63) are approximations suitable for FISPACT-II calculations, but it is noted that they may not be adequate for specific health physics problems.

C.7.3 Approximate gamma spectrum

Wherever possible decay data from JEFF-3.1 files [59] have been used to construct the decay data library (decay – see Appendix A.7.2) used with FISPACT-II. Intensity in a spectrum energy group is computed from the sum of intensities of discrete spectral lines lying in the energy group. However, for 254 unstable nuclides the file contains only the average γ energy - no data for the γ spectrum are available. Without the γ spectrum FISPACT-II is unable to calculate the γ dose rate contribution for these nuclides. In order to check if any of these nuclides are likely to contribute significantly to the total dose rate, the following method is used to calculate an approximate spectrum (see **SPEK** keyword on page 103).

The maximum γ energies (E_m) for decays assumed in the method are given in Table 26.

Table 26: Maximum γ energies for various decay modes.

Decay mode	E_m
β^-	$2\langle\beta\rangle$
β^+	5 MeV
α	0
Isomeric transition	$\langle\gamma\rangle$

The intensity in the i -th group (I_i) is given by

$$I_i = \frac{a\langle\gamma\rangle}{E_m} \left(\frac{e^{-a\eta_{i-1}} - e^{-a\eta_i}}{1 - (1+a)e^{-a}} \right) \quad (64)$$

where $a = 14$ (arbitrary constant)

$$\eta_i = E_i/E_m$$

Gamma doses for approximate spectra are found using the intensity from Equation (64) to find the emission rate (Equation (62)), and then using this rate in Equation (60) or (63) as appropriate.

C.7.4 Bremsstrahlung corrections

The contribution of high-energy β -particle bremsstrahlung to the total γ dose rate can be significant in cases where the γ emission is small. FISPACT-II uses a similar approach to Jarvis [83] who considers γ emission from a mono-energetic electron.

The energy distribution of γ rays emitted by a mono-energetic electron in a matrix of charge Z is given by

$$dN = \begin{cases} aZ \left(\frac{E_0 - E}{E} \right) dE & 0 \leq E < E_0 \\ 0 & E \geq E_0 \end{cases} \quad (65)$$

where

dN = number of γ -rays with energy E (keV)

E_0 = energy of electron (keV)

$a = 2.76 \times 10^{-6}$ (keV $^{-1}$)

Integrating Equation (65) over the energy bins give the number of γ -rays associated with that bin. There are three cases:

$$N(i) = \begin{cases} aZ[E_0 \log(E_{i+1}/E_i) - (E_{i+1} - E_i)] & E_0 \geq E_{i+1} \\ aZ[E_0 \log(E_0/E_i) - (E_0 - E_i)] & E_{i+1} > E_0 > E_i \\ 0 & E_0 \leq E_i \end{cases} \quad (66)$$

where E_i and E_{i+1} are the lower and upper energy bounds of group i . The intensity for group i is given by

$$I_i = N(i)(E_i + E_{i+1})/2 \quad (67)$$

The bremsstrahlung corrections to gamma doses are found using the intensity from this equation to find the emission rate (Equation (62)), and then using this rate in Equation (60) or (63) as appropriate.

The above discussion is valid only for mono-energetic electrons, but it is assumed that the same expressions are valid for the emission of β particles which have a continuous energy distribution if the mean β energy is used for E_0 .

The value of Z used in Equation (66) is calculated from

$$Z = \sum_j Z_j f_j \quad (68)$$

where Z_j = atomic number of the j -th element and f_j = atomic fraction of the j -th element (i.e., number of atoms of j / total number of atoms).

C.7.5 Bremsstrahlung candidates

Only a subset of all the nuclides in the decay library needs to be considered for bremsstrahlung production. Nuclides may make a contribution to the γ dose rate because of bremsstrahlung emission from energetic β particles.

The following criteria are applied by the code to the EAF decay library (Appendix A.7.2) to give the nuclides displayed by the **PRINTLIB 4** keyword option:

- the nuclide is radioactive with a half-life ≥ 0.1 years or in the case of a short-lived nuclide, the half-life of the parent ≥ 0.1 years;
- the nuclide is radioactive with a half-life $\leq 5.0 \times 10^{16}$ years;
- the nuclide has an average β -energy $>$ average γ -energy;
- the nuclide has an average β -energy > 0.145 MeV.

C.8 Monte-Carlo Sensitivity Estimation

FISPACT-II uses a Monte-Carlo approach to sensitivity analysis. A series S of inventory calculations is performed with the set of I independent variables $\{X_i^s; i = 1, \dots, I; s = 1, \dots, S\}$ chosen from distributions with means $\langle X_i \rangle$ and standard deviations $\langle \Delta X_i \rangle$. These runs produce a set of J dependent variables $\{Y_j^s; j = 1, \dots, J; s = 1, \dots, S\}$. In the present context, the independent variables are cross-sections and their uncertainties or decay constants and their uncertainties. The dependent variables are the numbers of atoms of nuclides j or some related radiological quantity.

The implementation of this scheme uses the **SENSITIVITY** keyword to initialise the collecting of data within the main inventory calculation. The keyword **ZERO** causes the series of S runs with different independent variables to be undertaken to compute, process and output the set $\{Y_j^s\}$. The default distribution is taken to be log-normal, but other options are possible. (See keyword **MCSAMPLE** on page 83). Any sequence of irradiation pulses, changes in cross-section, etc. that are possible with FISPACT-II can be used in the sensitivity calculations. The code performs the base calculation with full output, then repeats S times the sequence of steps with different sets $\{X_i^s\}$. The results of the base calculation are not included in the sensitivity calculation.

Sensitivity calculations provide both uncertainty and sensitivity output. Summary uncertainty output of means \bar{X}_i and \bar{Y}_j and standard deviations ΔX_i and ΔY_j are sent to the output file:

$$\bar{X}_i = \frac{1}{S} \sum_{s=1}^S X_i^s \quad (69)$$

$$\Delta X_i = \sqrt{\frac{1}{S-1} \sum_{s=1}^S [(X_i^s)^2 - \bar{X}_i^2]} \quad (70)$$

$$\bar{Y}_j = \frac{1}{S} \sum_{s=1}^S Y_j^s \quad (71)$$

$$\Delta Y_j = \sqrt{\frac{1}{S-1} \sum_{s=1}^S [(Y_j^s)^2 - \bar{Y}_j^2]} \quad (72)$$

Differences $(\bar{X}_i - \langle X_i \rangle)$ and $(\Delta X_i - \langle \Delta X_i \rangle)$ give a measure as to how well the sample set matches the distribution, and as S increases these two differences should tend to zero⁴. Similarly \bar{Y}_j should tend to the value of the base calculation, and ΔY_j gives the uncertainty in the dependent variable resulting from uncertainties in the independent variables.

⁴This is not strictly true; the sample standard deviation will be systematically smaller than the input value because of the truncation of the tails of the distributions for normal and log-normal distributions.

The sensitivity of dependent quantity Y_j on independent variable X_i is assessed using the Pearson product-moment correlation coefficient

$$r_{ij} = \frac{\sum_s X_i^s Y_j^s - S \bar{X}_i \bar{Y}_j}{(S-1) \Delta X_i \Delta Y_j} \quad (73)$$

The magnitude of r_{ij} is less than one, and a magnitude close to one indicates strong linear correlation. Values of r_{ij} close to +1 will be found for reactions or decays on principal pathways leading to nuclide j , and values close to -1 are expected for reactions or decays acting as sinks on pathways.

The best-fit line relating Y_j to X_i is given by

$$\frac{Y_j - \bar{Y}_j}{\Delta Y_j} = r_{ij} \left(\frac{X_i - \bar{X}_i}{\Delta X_i} \right) \quad (74)$$

FISPACT-II writes tables of means, standard deviations and correlation coefficients to output, and writes the raw data $\{X_i^s, Y_j^s; i = 1, \dots, I; j = 1, \dots, J; s = 1, \dots, S\}$ to file `sens` for post-processing by the user.

C.9 Pathways

The reaction network illustrated in Figure 16 may be described either by the rate equations (Eq. (8)) or as the sum of paths and loops, which we refer to as pathways. The inventory of a given nuclide computed using the rate equations can equivalently be found by a linear superposition of contributions of flows along the pathways to that nuclide.

Pathways are used in FISPACT-II to aid interpretation and to estimate uncertainties. If we know the inventory at the start and end of an irradiation (or cooling) period, then pathways analysis may be used to identify the most significant chains of reactions and decays in transmuting the initial inventory to the dominant nuclides in the final inventory of the step.

Key aspects of pathways analysis are methods for searching directed graphs (or *digraphs*) of the form illustrated in Figure 16 to identify routes from a parent to a chosen descendant, and the assembly and solution of rate equations for chosen subsets of nuclides on the pathway to get the flow along the pathway.

In the directed graph, nuclides correspond to the vertices of the graph. A parent nuclide is connected to a daughter nuclide by a graph edge. Associated with the edge is a flow rate given by the sum of the rates of all reactions and the decay that take the parent to the daughter. This flow rate is given by the off-diagonal elements of the rate equation matrix. The flow rate from parent j to daughter i is given by the element A_i^j in row i and column j of matrix A of Equation (12).

We use the following definitions:

path A path is a chain of *different* nuclides connecting the source nuclide to the target nuclide;

loop A loop is a closed chain of *different* nuclides connecting a nuclide to itself. Loops formed by the cyclic permutation of the nuclides in the loop are considered to be the same loop;

pathway A pathway is the combination of a *single* path with zero or more loops.

These are illustrated in Figure 19.

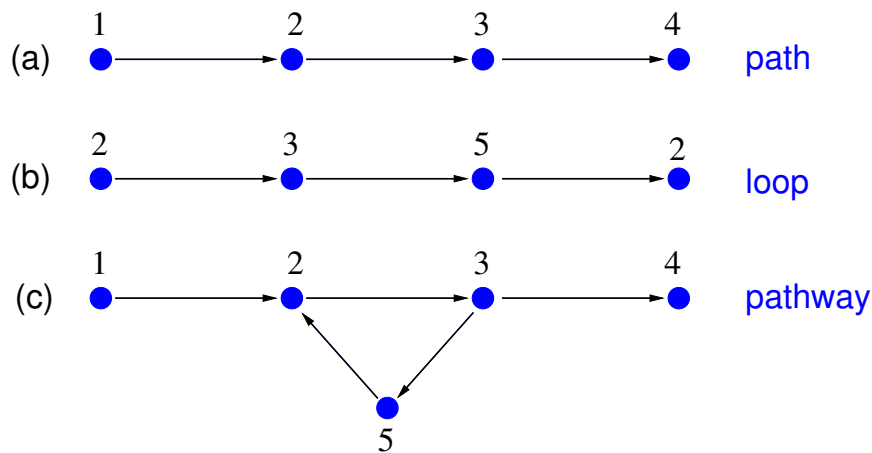


Figure 19: (a) A path is a linear chain of nuclides connected by edges, (b) a loop is a cyclic chain of nuclides and (c) a pathway is the combination of a single path with zero or more loops.

The full directed graph has one vertex per nuclide, and one edge for each off-diagonal term in the rate equations. The EAF-2010 data have 2233 vertices (nuclides) and approximately 120 000 edges (non-zero elements in A). If fission can be omitted this reduces to about 42 000, and for a cooling period this drops to less than 5 000 (c.f., Section C.1). The brute-force approach to finding paths by examining all the paths to descendants of a given source nuclide for these numbers of edges rapidly becomes impracticable because of the combinatorial explosion of the number of alternatives to be examined as path lengths increase. FISPACT-II uses a much faster technique based on iteration on a single-visit tree, where the tree is pruned using edge weighting to reduce the number of graph edges to be retained in the search for significant pathways [84].

The weights are computed using coefficients of the rate equation matrix A , and are used to eliminate paths and loops as follows:

- Each edge on a path has weight ≤ 1 . If the product of the weights along a path falls below the path threshold, then the path is discarded.

- Each edge on a loop has weight ≤ 1 . The weight of the loop, W_l is the product of the edge weights around the loop. If $W_l/(1 - W_l)$ falls below the loop threshold, then the loop is discarded.

The retained paths are significant paths, and the retained loops are significant loops. Significant paths and significant loops are combined to give pathways. Loops are added to paths according to the following criteria:

1. the loop has one or more nuclides in common with the path;
2. when the loop is added to the path, it does not create a second path to the target (this is to avoid double counting of paths);
3. when the loop is added to the path, the fractional increase in the target inventory due to the path is greater than the loop floor.

The resulting pathway is discarded as not significant if the fraction of the target inventory due to the pathway (i.e., the path and its loops) is below the path floor.

The pruning weights are computed from the coefficients of the rate equation matrix. The formulae used for single and for multiple pulse irradiation are those derived in [84].

C.9.1 Algorithm

Pathways are calculated from a single source nuclide to multiple target nuclides, and then they are sorted into target nuclide order for output.

For each source nuclide, lists of paths and loops ordered in decreasing importance are found. Parent to daughter rather than daughter to parent data ordering is used to simplify the extraction of adjacency information and of reaction rates from the compact storage structure used to store the rate equation matrix coefficients.

The computation of the significant paths and loops for a given source nuclide uses a five step process designed to prune unnecessary searches and thereby reduce computational effort:

Step 1: build a breadth-first search (BFS) tree representation of the digraph that visits as parents only once all significant nuclides that are descendants of the source nuclide. Significant nuclides are ones that are descendants of the source nuclide that may be reached by a path whose weight is above the `path_floor` threshold.

Step 2: repeatedly search the BFS tree of Step 1 to find all graph edges that lie on paths from the source nuclide to the target nuclide, or lie on loops that intersect these paths.

Step 3: build a ‘brute force’ BFS tree using those edges that survive step 2 and extract from this paths and loops that have one or more nuclides on one of the paths to the targets. A branch of the tree is terminated when

- a loop is found
- the weight of the path is below `path_floor`
- the length of the path reaches `max_depth`

Building of the tree terminates when there are no more parent nuclides in the digraph queue.

Step 4: prune loops, retaining only those loops where the weight of the loop is above `loop_floor` and the combination of loops and path give a single candidate pathway whose weight bound is above `path_floor`.

Step 5: integrate the rate equations for candidate pathways to get the actual weight of the path, storing pathways above the `path_floor` threshold in decreasing weight order, and discarding those pathways below the threshold.

C.10 Uncertainty Estimates

The pathways analysis is used to identify the pathways from the initial inventory nuclides to the (target) dominant nuclides at the end of the irradiation phase, together with the number of atoms created at target nuclide t due to the reaction and decay chain along path p to that nuclide. These, together with uncertainties in the reaction cross-sections and decay half lives associated with the edges of the pathways are used in FISPACT-II to provide estimates of the uncertainties.

Given a set of target nuclides S_t , then the uncertainty in some radiological quantity Q , where

$$Q = \sum_{t \in S_t} q_t \quad (75)$$

is given by ΔQ , where

$$(\Delta Q)^2 = \sum_{t \in S_t} \left(\frac{\Delta N_t}{N_t} \right)^2 q_t^2 \quad (76)$$

and N_t is the number of atoms of target nuclide t formed from the initial inventory, and ΔN_t is the error in N_t .

ΔN_t will be computed from the pathways inventories and the fractional squared error Δ_{tp}^2 in the number of atoms of target nuclide t formed along pathway p to that target. If we let the set of pathways to target t be S_p , then we may write

$$S_p = (\cup_{a \in S_{sa}} S_a) \cup S_o \quad (77)$$

where S_p is the set of pathways leading to target t , S_a is the subset of these pathways where the pathway starts from the fission of actinide source nuclide a and S_o is the set

of other pathways. S_{sa} is the subset of set S_s of source nuclides that are actinides. The reason for the split in Eq. (77) is that the pathways arising from the fission of source actinide a are treated as correlated, and other pathways are treated as uncorrelated. The formula used to compute ΔN_t is

$$(\Delta N_t)^2 = \sum_{p \in S_o} \Delta_{tp}^2 N_{tp}^2 + \sum_{a \in S_{sa}} \left(\sum_{p \in S_a} |\Delta_{tp}| N_{tp} \right)^2 \quad (78)$$

where N_{tp} is the number of atoms of target t formed along path p to that target. Δ_{tp}^2 is given by

$$\Delta_{tp}^2 = \sum_{e \in S_e} \sum_{r \in S_r} \left[\frac{R_r (\Delta \sigma_r / \sigma_r)}{R_e} \right]^2 + \sum_{e \in D_e} \left[\frac{\Delta \tau_e}{\tau_e} \right]^2 \quad (79)$$

where

S_e is the set of edges on pathway p ;

S_r is the set of reactions on edge e ;

R_r is the pulse averaged reaction rate of reaction r ;

R_e is the total pulse averaged reaction rate on edge e ;

$\Delta \sigma_r / \sigma_r$ is the fractional uncertainty in the cross-section for reaction r ;

D_e is the set of edges on pathway p where the parent nuclide is long-lived or where the parent is short-lived and the daughter nuclide is the target nuclide of the path. A short lived nuclide is one whose half life is less than the time interval of the irradiation pulse sequences;

$\Delta \tau_e / \tau_e$ is the fractional uncertainty in the half life of the parent nuclide on the edge.

The total reaction rate for the edge is the sum of the reaction rates for the parent-daughter nuclides on the edge:

$$R_e = \sum_{r \in S_r} R_r \quad (80)$$

Let there be J time intervals in the irradiation phase, and let the time of interval $j \in [1, J]$ be Δt_j and the flux amplitude be ϕ_j . In addition, assume that there are I different collapsed cross-sections, with cross-section $i \in [1, I]$ being the value used for pulses $j = J_i \dots J_{i+1}$ ($J_1 = 1$ and $J_{I+1} = J$), then

$$R_r = \left(\sum_{i=1}^I \sigma_r^i \sum_{j=J_i}^{J_{i+1}} \phi_j \Delta t_j \right) / T_J \quad (81)$$

where

$$T_J = \sum_{j=1}^J \Delta t_j \quad (82)$$

In the case of fission reactions, σ_r^i is replaced by $\sigma_r^i f_r$, where f_r is the fission yield for the reaction product corresponding to the daughter nuclide on the edge.

C.11 Method of Solution of Rate Equations

The rate equations (12) and subsets of the rate equations used for pathway calculations are all specific examples of first-order systems of ODEs with the general form

$$\frac{dy_i}{dt} = F_i(\{y_j\}, t) \quad (83)$$

with initial conditions

$$y_i(t = 0) = y_{i,0} \text{ given} \quad (84)$$

for $1 \leq i, j \leq N$. These initial value problems can be solved to give $\{y_i(t)\}$ using numerical methods.

C.11.1 Properties of the equations

The rate equations (12) are linear because at the level of approximation used in FISPACT-II the reaction rates and decay constants are independent of the current inventory, being determined purely by intrinsic physical properties of the nuclides and also the imposed external projectile flux is assumed not to be modified by the presence of the target material.

Each reaction or decay typically produces a single principal daughter nuclide and a few secondary products, although fission reactions are an exception. Even with fissions included, less than 3% of the matrix elements of the system matrix A in Equation (12) are non-zero. Without fissions this proportion drops to about 0.8%. This sparsity is very significant for numerical approaches to the solution.

In principle, Equation (12) can be solved in closed form for each time interval during which A is constant. Introduce a matrix S to define a similarity transformation which diagonalises A and rewrite Equation (12) as

$$\frac{d(\mathbf{SN})}{dt} = (\mathbf{SAS}^{-1})(\mathbf{SN}) \quad (85)$$

where

$$\mathbf{SAS}^{-1} = \text{diag}(\mu_1, \mu_2, \dots, \mu_n) \quad (86)$$

and μ_i are the eigenvalues of A .

Note that the probability of A having repeated eigenvalues is vanishingly small since the elements of A are derived from physical data. Hence A is diagonalisable, the matrix S exists and the additional complexity of the Jordan normal form is not required.

Then the solution is

$$\mathbf{SN}(t) = \text{diag}[\exp(\mu_1 t), \exp(\mu_2 t), \dots, \exp(\mu_n t)] \mathbf{SN}(0) \quad (87)$$

Table 27: The largest decay rates in the EAF library.

Range of λ (s^{-1})	Nuclides
$21 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 22$	${}^5\text{Li}$, ${}^{11}\text{N}$, ${}^{15}\text{F}$
$20 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 21$	${}^6\text{Be}$
$19 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 20$	${}^{16}\text{F}$
$18 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 19$	none
$17 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 18$	${}^9\text{B}$
$16 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 17$	none
$15 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 16$	${}^8\text{Be}$
$10 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 15$	none
$9 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 10$	${}^{13}\text{Be}$
$7 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 9$	none
$6 \leq \log_{10} \lambda < 7$	${}^{212}\text{Po}$, ${}^{213}\text{At}$, ${}^{214}\text{At}$, ${}^{214}\text{Rn}$

for $t \in [0, T]$, a time interval during which A is constant. The extension to piecewise-constant A can be found in the obvious way by evaluating S and the eigenvalues for each interval and concatenating intervals with a rotation of the solution vector after the endpoint of each interval.

Unfortunately, this analysis does not represent a practical method of solution because the process of calculating the eigenvalues is numerically intensive, destroys the sparsity structure of the matrix, and is subject to the possibility of extreme ill-conditioning. However, the eigenvalues are useful in identifying the properties of the matrix A , as now described.

A study was performed by extracting the matrix A from FISPACT-II and using it in a testbed program which did perform the eigenvalue calculation by employing the library routine GEEVX from the LAPACK library. A cooling step provides information on the decays in isolation, whereas an irradiation step with unit flux provides the sum of the decay-rate matrix and the cross-section matrix.

The eigenvalue analysis of the decay-rate matrix highlights the presence in the EAF library of a few nuclides with very rapid decays, as listed in Table 27.

These very large decay rates ensure that all practical FISPACT-II calculations with the full inventory for many applications are always stiff. This remark applies as much to laser fusion applications with nanosecond irradiation pulses as it does to magnetic confinement applications with irradiation times of years.

However, when subsets of the nuclides are used in pathways calculations the reduced set of equations may not be stiff.

C.11.2 The choice of solver

It can be seen from the previous section that the key characteristics of the system of inventory equations are that they are linear, stiff and sparse.

A web search reveals several suitable solvers, but it appears that only one can be obtained with built-in efficient handling of sparse systems. This is the package LSODE [20, 85, 86] written at Lawrence Livermore Laboratory.

The variant of LSODE usually used in FISPACT-II is the double-precision version with efficient handling of sparse Jacobian matrices, called DLSODES, although on some platforms the single-precision version SLSODES may provide sufficient accuracy. This software is presented as a set of Fortran 77 library routines with an interface defined by the subroutine argument list of the top-level driver routine. The present development treats DLSODES and SLSODES as “black boxes” and no significant modifications to their internal details have been made. In the following, these two variants of the solver will be referred to collectively as ‘LSODES’.

The use by the solver of the sparsity structure of the matrix describing the rate equations is very significant practically since it yields a reduction in running time by a large factor because during the calculation LSODE performs many solutions of linear systems of equations derived from the matrix, which for general matrices requires $\mathcal{O}(N^3)$ arithmetic operations.

The stiffness of the system of equations limits the choice of numerical method. LSODES uses the backward differentiation formula method, also known as Gear’s method. When the equations are not stiff, other methods are feasible and LSODES uses an implicit Adams method. For simplicity of implementation, FISPACT-II always calls on LSODES to apply Gear’s method; there is no easy, rapid way of determining whether or not a system of equations is stiff, so an automatic selection of method does not seem to be possible. A limited number of tests reveals that LSODES still performs well on a small non-stiff reaction network typical of a pathway calculation. The automatic error control (see Section C.11.4 below) ensures that the results of Gear’s method remain accurate, although LSODES may well be more efficient, using fewer internal timesteps, if the Adams method had been used instead.

LSODES performs the solution of stiff systems of equations without recourse to the equilibrium approximation that was used in earlier versions of FISPACT. All nuclides are followed dynamically and those with a rapid transient response automatically adjust to have near-equilibrium inventories.

C.11.3 The interface to the solver

Some of the complexity of the interface to LSODES arises because of the limitations in Fortran 77 concerning fixed-size arrays which must be defined at compile time.

These limitations can be overcome with the dynamic memory allocation features now available in Fortran 95. The present development provides a Fortran 95 wrapper for the old Fortran 77 code with a simplified interface and automatic circumvention of LSODES error reports caused only by inadequately-sized workspace arrays.

Most of the details concerning the operation of LSODES can be encapsulated in a way that is consistent with the object-oriented approach adopted for the present development. However, it is necessary to provide a description of the sparsity structure of the system matrix A in a specific manner tailored to the requirements of LSODES. Also, the user program needs to provide subprograms that give LSODES values of the driving function $\{F_i(\{y_j\}, t)\}$ and its Jacobian $J_{ij} = \partial F_i / \partial y_j$. The subroutine argument lists of these user-supplied routines are defined by the internal details of LSODES and cannot be changed.

LSODES was written at a time when computers had much smaller main memories than present machines and the code improves memory efficiency by overlaying floating-point and integer workspace. Correct operation of the code requires knowledge of the ratio of the sizes of the storage units for floating-point numbers and integers. The authors of LSODES expected their users to be aware of this ratio on their computing platforms and this number is hard-wired into the code (as supplied) in two places. Users had to edit the source before using the code.

FISPACT-II improves the portability of the solver by automatically determining the required ratio of floating-point to integer storage sizes, using standard Fortran 95 intrinsic functions. The argument list of the driving routine for LSODES has been extended to pass this ratio to the relevant points in the solver and the hard-wired data statements have been removed.

The precision of the floating-point computations in FISPACT-II is controlled by using a specific real kind in all declarations to achieve a floating-point precision of 15 decimal places.⁵

This approach to floating-point precision is not compatible with the Fortran 77 code of LSODES which uses default REAL and DOUBLE PRECISION declarations in the single and double-precision versions, respectively.

FISPACT-II uses Fortran 95 intrinsic functions to determine the precision provided by default REAL and DOUBLE PRECISION floating-point variables and chooses the one that provides 15 decimal places. Unusually, a platform may achieve this precision with default REAL and on such a platform FISPACT-II would automatically use SLSODES rather than DLSODES.

⁵ This is usually double precision on byte-oriented platforms. Exceptionally, if a specific platform cannot achieve 15 decimal places of precision, FISPACT-II will not compile.

C.11.4 Error estimation and step control

The LSODES solver controls the accuracy of its calculations by refining its internal timesteps to satisfy a criterion placed on its estimate of the error. Estimates are produced separately for each component of the solution vector, but these are combined into a single measure of the error using a root-mean-square norm.

The acceptance criterion is based on the sum of relative and absolute tolerances, so that for the dominant nuclides in a FISPACT-II calculation the error is determined by the chosen `rtol` parameter, while for the minor nuclides the tolerance is relaxed by the addition of the `atol` parameter. This avoids the problems that would occur for a pure relative error estimate in the case of zero or very small inventories.

The solver returns the error estimates of the individual components of the solution vector to its calling program. This information is used in FISPACT-II to flag the nuclides with larger than usual error estimates. The criterion for flagging outlying nuclides is that the estimate should exceed the specified tolerance by a factor of more than the dimensionless parameter `err_factor` which is set in the code to 1.5.

The solver sets an array of logical convergence flags which are used by the output module to place ‘?’ markers in the inventory output. This provides the equivalent of the markers used in the output from FISPACT-2007.

Specifically, LSODES computes a vector

$$w_i = rtol y_i + atol \quad (88)$$

from the solution vector, where the parameters `rtol` and `atol` are provided by the user through the **TOLERANCE** keyword. The weights w_i are used with the local estimates of the component-wise errors, e_i to compute

$$D = \left[\frac{1}{N} \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{e_i}{w_i} \right]^{1/2} \quad (89)$$

D is used as a single measure of acceptability; if $D > 1$ then LSODES refines its internal timesteps until a satisfactory D is obtained.

Users should be aware that LSODES works with local errors. Estimation of the global error is much harder and in common with many numerical methods, LSODES does not attempt this error estimation. Consequently, users should set `rtol` and `atol` cautiously.

C.11.5 Runtime error reporting

FISPACT-II traps any error returns from LSODES and reports them to the user with the same error logging system used elsewhere in the code. Extensive testing of FISPACT-II demonstrates that LSODES is robust and no abnormal returns from it should be expected.

Table 28: The abnormal error returns from LSODES.

ISTATE	Brief explanation	User action
-7	sparse solver problem (should not happen)	Report error to developers
-6	zero variable with pure relative error control	rerun with $atol \neq 0$
-5	repeated convergence failures (bad Jacobian?)	Report error to developers
-4	repeated error test failures (bad input?)	Report error to developers
-3	illegal input	Report error to developers
-2	requested accuracy too great	rerun with larger $rtol$ and/or $atol$
-1	excessive work (too many internal steps)	rerun with larger $rtol$ and/or $atol$

Exceptionally, the abnormal error returns that may be encountered are listed in Table 28.

A fuller explanation of the meanings of these error returns may be found in the extensive comments at the head of the source files `dlsodes.f` and `slsodes.f`.

D Differences from FISPACT-2007

Many keywords in the FISPACT-2007 control input file have been retained in FISPACT-II to provide a substantial degree of backwards compatibility. In many cases the new code will run with existing control input files. Some new keywords have been added to deal with the new capabilities of FISPACT-II, and some of the old keywords have become obsolete. Where a keyword no longer works as before, the new code will issue a warning or fatal error message.

D.1 New Features

The new and extended features of FISPACT-II are:

Additional projectiles: seven projectiles may now be used ($n, p, d, \alpha, \gamma, t, h$);

Additional reactions: 90 reaction types are now recognised;

Additional nuclides and elements Elements up to $Z=111$ are recognised, and the new libraries contain 3873 nuclides;

ENDF format data libraries Capability to read and process TENDL cross-section, uncertainty, decay and fission yield libraries;

Self-shielding: Probability table data generated by CALENDF can now be used in conjunction with the 616 energy group EAF and the 709 energy group TENDL cross-section data for neutron induced reactions to model dilution effects in the computation of collapsed cross-sections (c.f., Appendix C.4.3). Alternatively, The universal sigmoid curve method for approximating self-shielding can be employed using the $MF = 2$ data in the TENDL files (c.f., Appendix C.4.4);

High-energy reactions: New high-energy residual product cross sections have been added with the HEIR-0.1 and HEAD-2009 nuclear data libraries, which may be spliced with lower-energy evaluations using the **USESPALLATION** keyword;

Additional decay types: a total of 24 decay types are now recognised; 7 single decay and 17 multiple particle decay modes;

Input file syntax checking: Checking of the correctness of the input file and detailed error reporting has been added to aid the development and testing of new input control files

JSON output format: A new JSON output format has been implemented for users that script the parsing of inventory outputs. See Section 5.6 for details.

Python parsing package: A new Python3 package for parsing FISPACT-II outputs, `pycompact`, has been developed and is available through the FISPACT-II GitHub and the PyPy distribution service.

Additional PRINTLIB output: There are several new output options, see Section 4.58 on page 94.

Kerma, dpa and gas appm Additional cross-section data in the TENDL cross-section data files are read and processed to permit the output of derived rates of kinetic energy release, displacements per atom and generation rates of gas atoms;

New stiff-ode solver: the solution of the inventory equations is now based on the LSODES package. There is no equilibrium approximation and the time dependence of actinide inventories is treated in full;

New pathways analysis: graph-theory-based tree-searching methods are now used to identify significant pathways, removing the restrictions of the previous methods. All loops and paths are automatically included if their contribution is above the user-specified thresholds, and searches can be made to arbitrary depths. Pathways analysis works for single and multi-pulse irradiation phases and changing cross-sections. Information on all reactions between a given parent and daughter is available and is displayed by pathways output;

Covariance data Reaction cross-section data for different reactions can be read from the TENDL files and used to produce collapsed covariances and correlations for all incident particles;

New sensitivity analysis: the local derivative sensitivity analysis calculation implemented in FISPACT-2007 that was only applicable for single irradiation pulses has been replaced by a Monte-Carlo sensitivity calculation that works for single and multi-pulse irradiation phases and changing cross-sections;

New reduced nuclide set: runs with subsets of the nuclides in the EAF or ENDF libraries can be undertaken;

Encapsulated data: FISPACT-II is written using an object-based modular code design, including built-in error-logging and code-timing objects. Consequently, the user will observe some differences in the output, particularly the improved reporting of errors and warnings.

Dynamical memory allocation is used throughout, so the same code works for all the data sets irrespective of their sizes.

files file changes: Filename mnemonics can be used as an alternative to unit numbers to link external filenames to FISPACT-II input and output streams, and comments can be included in the `files` file. Repeated entries for the same stream name are read into a queue of external filenames, which are used in sequence. (See the **GETXS** keyword below.)

A summary of the physical models and algorithms is given in Appendix C. A more complete treatment of the model, algorithms, architectural design and software specification is given in References [3, 4, 5, 87, 88, 89].

D.2 Obsolete Features

There is very little reliable data for the treatment of sequential charged particle reactions and so this feature has been disabled in the new code to simplify the user interface.

The new algorithms for integrating the rate equations and for computing pathways have led to a number of related keywords (e.g., **LEVEL**, **CONV**, **DOMINANT**, **LOOPS**) becoming redundant. See the following section for details.

D.3 Keyword Changes

All the FISPACT-2007 keywords are recognised by the new program, but where their use has changed error and warning messages are written to the log file. Most obsolete keywords can be ignored by the new code or are replaced with their new equivalents, so that runs of FISPACT-II can still be conducted with historical input files.

Note that the new keyword reader will recognise a truncated keyword if three or more leading letters of the keyword given uniquely identify it. The reader will *not* recognise keywords that have extra letters at the end (e.g., **NOFISSION** will not be recognised as **NOFISS**). The following list gives a summary of the changes in keywords.

CLOBBER is a new keyword that allows existing output files to be overwritten. By default, FISPACT-II terminates with a fatal error rather than overwriting an existing output file.

COLLAPSE still works, but is deprecated; use **GETXS** instead.

CONV is now obsolete and its use generates a warning message instructing users to use **TOLERANCE** instead.

COVARIANCE is a new keyword used to instruct FISPACT-II to read and condense covariances between different reactions.

CUMFYLD is a new keyword that allows cumulative fission yield data rather than the independent fission yield data to be used.

DOMINANT is now obsolete; use **UNCERTAINTY** and **SORTDOMINANT** instead to control dominant nuclide output.

EAFVERSION is now obsolete and has no effect.

ENFA still works, but is deprecated; use **GETDECAY** instead.

ERROR The **ERROR** sub-keyword of keyword **OVER** has been replaced by **AD-CROSS** to avoid conflict with the keyword **ERROR** used in sensitivity calculations.

GETDECAY is a replacement for **ENFA** and its subordinate keywords **TAPA**, **ARRAY** and **LINA**.

GETXS is a replacement for the **COLLAPSE** and **NEWFILE** keywords.

GRAPH now has an additional option to write output suitable for gnuplot.

INDEXPATH has been added to allow the user to create a reduced nuclide index file containing only those nuclides that lie on pathways from the initial inventory nuclides to the dominant nuclides at the end of the irradiation phase.

LIBVERSION This replaces the **EAFVERSION** keyword, and the default library type has been changed from EAF to ENDF. Argument 0 or less is used for EAF and 1 or above for ENDF.

LOGLEVEL is a new keyword that allows the user to change the level of error logging.

LOOPS is now obsolete and its use generates a warning message to use the updated **UNCERTAINTY** keyword instead.

LOOKAHEAD is a new keyword used to fine-tune pathways calculations.

MCSAMPLE has been added to control parameters for the Monte-Carlo sampling used in sensitivity calculations.

MCSEED has been added to allow users to specify the pseudo-random number sequence for sensitivity calculations.

MIND now affects only the inventory output, not the calculation.

NEWFILE is now obsolete and is ignored, apart from generating a warning message. Its functionality has been implemented with the **GETXS** keyword in association with multiple cross-section files in the `files` file.

NOHEAD has been replaced by **NOHEADER**.

NOHEADER is now obsolete and has no effect.

NOSTAB has been replaced by **NOSTABLE**.

OVER now accepts an alternative name of **ADCROSS** for the subordinate keyword **ERROR** and a new subordinate keyword **ADLAM** for the input of a new error factor for the half-life.

PATHRESET is a new keyword that allows pathways calculations to be repeated at times after the initial pathways calculation at the end of the irradiation phase.

POWER is a new keyword that allows the irradiating flux to be adjusted to a given power level.

PROBTABLE is a new keyword that causes the probability table data to be read and used for the nuclides specified by the **SSFCHOOSE** keyword.

READSF is a new keyword that causes spontaneous fission yield data to be read and used (ENDF data libraries only).

ROUTES has been modified to be consistent with the new pathways search parameters used by the **UNCERTAINTY** keyword, and is no longer consistent with the FISPACT-2007 usage.

SAVELINES is a new keyword that causes spectral lines to be read from the decay file and stored. It is needed if the new **PRINTLIB** 5 option to print decay lines is used.

SEQNUMBER has no effect apart from generating a warning message.

SEQUENTIAL has no effect apart from generating a warning message.

SORTDOMINANT is a new keyword to control the uncertainty calculations and their display in the output file.

SSFCHOOSE is a new keyword used to specify the nuclides for which the self-shielding factors are computed.

SSFDILUTION is a new keyword to provide expert control of dilution values used in applying the self-shielding corrections.

SSFFUEL is a new keyword used to specify directly the mixture of nuclides to be used in the self-shielding calculations.

SSFGEOMETRY is a new keyword that allows thin and thick target geometry information to be input for use in conjunction with the universal sigmoid curve approximation for self-shielding.

SSFMASS is a new keyword used to specify indirectly the mixture of nuclides to be used in the self-shielding calculations.

STEP is a new keyword that causes the same calculation step to be undertaken as for the **ATOMS** keyword, but suppresses output.

TABn now accepts arbitrary Fortran unit numbers, which are ignored. The unit numbers actually used are chosen internally and are reported in the log file.

TIME now accepts an optional keyword **SECS** for the time units.

TOLERANCE is a new keyword used to introduce convergence parameters for the LSODES solver used to compute the inventories.

UNCERTAINTY has a changed option to set numerical parameters relevant to the improved pathways calculation. The new option is introduced by a value of -1 for the first parameter and use of the previous value of 4 for this parameter

now generates a fatal error message. (The meanings of values 0–3 for the first parameter are unchanged.)

USEFISSION is a new keyword that causes fission reactions specified by the **FISYIELD** keyword and for which yield data are available to be self-consistently included in the matrix describing the inventory equations. It should be used whenever actinides (or other heavy elements that are transmuted to actinides) are specified in the target material. Its absence leads to a much faster calculation which remains accurate when actinides are not present or produced.

E Third-party Code

FISPACT-II makes use of open-source code for the following:

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