

OpenMC demonstration

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The purpose of this notebook is to give a brief introduction to some of the functionality of OpenMC and its python API in JupyterLab environment through a very simple test case. This exercise is not at all intended as a comprehensive guide or tutorial, however it can provide some basic experience regarding the structure of an OpenMC input script.

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OpenMC is an open source Monte Carlo neutron and photon transport simulation code.

It is capable of performing fixed source, k-eigenvalue, and subcritical multiplication calculations on models built using either a constructive solid geometry or CAD representation. OpenMC supports both continuous-energy and multigroup transport.

With OpenMC, you can calculate reaction rates, flux distribution in 3D, etc. in a detailed geometry.

Reference:

Paul K. Romano, Nicholas E. Horelik, Bryan R. Herman, Adam G. Nelson, Benoit Forget, and Kord Smith, "OpenMC: A State-of-the-Art Monte Carlo Code for Research and Development," Ann. Nucl. Energy, 82, 90–97 (2015).

Useful links:

[OpenMC online documentation](#)

[OpenMC source code on GitHub](#)

[Example Jupyter Notebooks](#)

[Zolt Elter; Markus Preston; Erik Branger: Reactor Physics with Python \(2021 edition\)](#)

Part I - Uranium sphere

STEP 0 - Initialize necessary python modules

```
In [1]: # 'numpy' for arrays and some other stuff
import numpy as np

# 'matplotlib.pyplot' for plotting
from matplotlib import pyplot as plt

# 'os' for issuing system commands
import os

# OpenMC python API
import openmc
```

STEP 1 - Defining materials for the geometry

Different types of materials can be created with the `openmc.Material()` class.

The material objects contain information about e.g.:

- composition: `.add_nuclide()` and `.add_element()`,
- density: `set_density()`,
- S(a,b) treatment: `add_s_alpha_beta()`,
- ...

The materials use in the model are bundled together in the `openmc.Materials()` object

This will be converted into an `.xml` file for the openmc application.

```
In [2]: materials = openmc.Materials([])

# water
MAT_water=openmc.Material()
MAT_water.add_nuclide('H1', 0.6672, 'ao') # adding isotope
MAT_water.add_nuclide('O16', 0.3328, 'ao')
MAT_water.set_density('g/cm3', 9.978e-01)
MAT_water.add_s_alpha_beta('c_H_in_H2O')
materials.append(MAT_water)

# U fuel
MAT_fuel=openmc.Material()
MAT_fuel.add_nuclide('U235', 0.27, 'wo')
MAT_fuel.add_nuclide('U238', 0.73, 'wo')
MAT_fuel.set_density('g/cm3', 19.1)
materials.append(MAT_fuel)

# graphite
MAT_graphite=openmc.Material()
MAT_graphite.add_element('C', 1, 'ao') # adding element
MAT_graphite.set_density('g/cm3', 1.7)
MAT_graphite.add_s_alpha_beta('c_Graphite')
materials.append(MAT_graphite)

# Export materials to xml format file which will be used by openmc
materials.export_to_xml()
```

Tip: Examine 'materials.xml' in the file browser.

STEP 2 - Defining the geometry

In OpenMC, complex arbitrary 3D geometrical regions are defined using **Constructive Solid Geometry (CSG)**. The geometry of a region is defined along the following steps:

- simple surfaces (planes, spheres, etc.) are defined,
- then half-spaces are defined using these surfaces,
- then complex regions are defined by doing boolean operations with the half-spaces

The different regions are described by **Cell** objects. Besides the region, these objects may store information about more complex sub-geometry (eg. in the form of a Universe, see below) and/or material properties.

Cells are bundled together into **Universe** objects. As mentioned previously, universes can be filled into cells.

```
In [3]: # The final structure of the geometry needs to be a single universe.
root=openmc.Universe()

# Outer boundary of the problem
s_boundary_x1=openmc.XPlane(x0=-40, boundary_type='vacuum')
s_boundary_x2=openmc.XPlane(x0= 40, boundary_type='vacuum')
s_boundary_y1=openmc.YPlane(y0=-40, boundary_type='vacuum')
s_boundary_y2=openmc.YPlane(y0= 40, boundary_type='vacuum')
s_boundary_z1=openmc.ZPlane(z0=-40, boundary_type='vacuum')
s_boundary_z2=openmc.ZPlane(z0= 40, boundary_type='vacuum')

region_boundary = +s_boundary_x1 & -s_boundary_x2 & +s_boundary_y1 & -s_boundary_y2 & +s_boundary_z1 & -s_boundary_z2

# U sphere
sphere_1_radius=12
s_sphere_1=openmc.Sphere(r=sphere_1_radius)
cell_fuel=openmc.Cell(region=(-s_sphere_1))
cell_fuel.fill=MAT_fuel
root.add_cell(cell_fuel)

# reflector shell
sphere_2_radius=22
s_sphere_2=openmc.Sphere(r=sphere_2_radius)
cell_reflector=openmc.Cell(region=(-s_sphere_2 & +s_sphere_1))
cell_reflector.fill=MAT_graphite
root.add_cell(cell_reflector)

# some water
cell_workspace=openmc.Cell(region=(+s_sphere_2 & region_boundary ))
cell_workspace.fill=MAT_water
root.add_cell(cell_workspace)

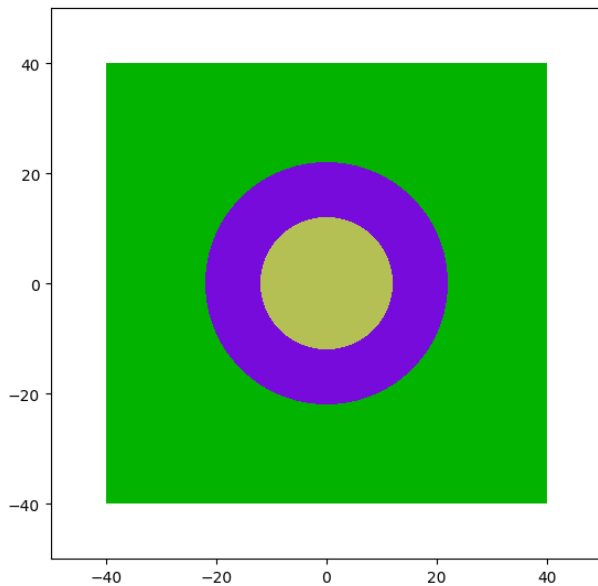
# The geometry needs to be exported into a xml file.
geometry = openmc.Geometry(root)
geometry.export_to_xml()
```

Tip: Examine 'geometry.xml' in the file browser.

Tip: The geometry can be visualized for example using the `openmc.Universe.plot()` member, as seen below:

```
In [4]: root.plot(
        basis = 'xz',
        width = (100, 100),
        pixels = (500, 500)
        )
```

Out[4]: <matplotlib.image.AxesImage at 0x7fe83277d2e0>



STEP 3 - Defining the source

```
In [5]: # Isotropic point source
source_n=openmc.Source(space=openmc.stats.Point((0,0,0)))
source_n.particle='neutron' # optional, as 'neutron' is the default
```

STEP 4 - Setting parameters of the simulation

```
In [6]: settings = openmc.Settings()

# Criticality calculation
settings.batches = 600
settings.inactive = 100
settings.particles = 5000

# Source
settings.source = source_n

# Exporting the settings into a xml file.
settings.export_to_xml()
```

Tip: Examine 'settings.xml' in the file browser.

STEP 5 - Defining tallies ("optional")

Generally speaking, a Monte Carlo code is more than happy to run a simulation without calculating and outputting any quantities.

In case of OpenMC, a series of filters can be defined (energy, space, angle, isotope, etc.), through which it will collect contributions to the desired quantity.

```
In [7]: # Without getting into the details of each object, let's define a tally to calculate the spatial distribution of the thermal neutron flux along y=0 plane

# Defining a spatial filter
x_min=-40
x_max=40
y_min=x_min
y_max=x_max
resolution=160
myMesh_xz=openmc.RegularMesh()
myMesh_xz.dimension=[resolution,1,resolution]
myMesh_xz.lower_left=[x_min,-2,y_min]
myMesh_xz.upper_right=[x_max,2,y_max]
meshfilter_xz=openmc.MeshFilter(myMesh_xz)

# ...and an energy filter for thermal energies
energybins_th=np.array([0., 0.625])
energy_filter_th = openmc.EnergyFilter(values=energybins_th)

# Defining the tally
tally_xz=openmc.Tally(name='thermal_flux')
tally_xz.filters = [meshfilter_xz,energy_filter_th]
tally_xz.scores = ['flux']

# Exporting the tally information into a xml file.
tallies=openmc.Tallies()
tallies.append(tally_xz)
tallies.export_to_xml()
```

Tip: Examine 'tallies.xml' in the file browser.

STEP 6 - Run the simulation

An OpenMC simulation can be initiated in a number of ways, for example by entering the `openmc` command in a system terminal, or by using the `openmc.run()` member inside the API. **Note** that the program will use the data defined in the '.xml' files, and it is independent from the Jupyter Lab or python environment. It is therefore important to make sure that any desired changes are registered in the '.xml' files.

```
In [8]: option=2
if option==1 :
    !openmc
else:
    openmc.run()
```


53/1	0.99489	
54/1	0.99484	
55/1	0.98983	
56/1	1.00777	
57/1	0.98348	
58/1	1.01840	
59/1	1.01630	
60/1	0.99120	
61/1	1.01262	
62/1	1.00231	
63/1	0.99081	
64/1	1.03419	
65/1	1.00590	
66/1	1.03320	
67/1	0.99098	
68/1	0.97685	
69/1	1.00113	
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97/1	0.97761	
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100/1	0.97563	
101/1	0.99641	
102/1	1.00898	1.00269 +/- 0.00629
103/1	1.02244	1.00928 +/- 0.00752
104/1	0.98590	1.00343 +/- 0.00790
105/1	1.00932	1.00461 +/- 0.00623
106/1	0.99302	1.00268 +/- 0.00544
107/1	1.01274	1.00411 +/- 0.00482
108/1	0.97590	1.00059 +/- 0.00546
109/1	0.97519	0.99777 +/- 0.00558
110/1	1.02875	1.00086 +/- 0.00588
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117/1	0.98252	1.00160 +/- 0.00423
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131/1	0.99728	0.99899 +/- 0.00299
132/1	0.98648	0.99860 +/- 0.00292
133/1	1.02982	0.99955 +/- 0.00298
134/1	1.00303	0.99965 +/- 0.00289
135/1	0.98273	0.99917 +/- 0.00285
136/1	1.01050	0.99948 +/- 0.00279
137/1	1.01351	0.99986 +/- 0.00274
138/1	1.02055	1.00041 +/- 0.00272
139/1	1.03465	1.00128 +/- 0.00279
140/1	0.99833	1.00121 +/- 0.00272
141/1	1.01919	1.00165 +/- 0.00269
142/1	0.99061	1.00139 +/- 0.00264
143/1	1.01537	1.00171 +/- 0.00260
144/1	1.02426	1.00222 +/- 0.00259
145/1	0.98826	1.00191 +/- 0.00255
146/1	1.00030	1.00188 +/- 0.00249
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350/1	1.02895	1.00115 +/- 0.00111
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352/1	1.00393	1.00107 +/- 0.00110
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360/1	1.01133	1.00121 +/- 0.00107
361/1	0.99298	1.00118 +/- 0.00107
362/1	0.99107	1.00114 +/- 0.00107
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364/1	1.00038	1.00112 +/- 0.00106
365/1	1.00622	1.00114 +/- 0.00106
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379/1	1.00669	1.00130 +/- 0.00103

380/1	0.98801	1.00125 +/- 0.00102
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435/1	0.98930	1.00103 +/- 0.00092
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455/1	0.99955	1.00108 +/- 0.00090
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457/1	1.00095	1.00111 +/- 0.00089
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459/1	0.96317	1.00097 +/- 0.00089
460/1	0.99292	1.00094 +/- 0.00089
461/1	1.02262	1.00100 +/- 0.00089
462/1	0.99369	1.00098 +/- 0.00089
463/1	0.99005	1.00095 +/- 0.00089
464/1	1.00909	1.00098 +/- 0.00088
465/1	0.97296	1.00090 +/- 0.00089
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468/1	1.03335	1.00098 +/- 0.00088
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496/1	0.98869	1.00097 +/- 0.00086
497/1	1.03204	1.00104 +/- 0.00086
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509/1	1.00373	1.00102 +/- 0.00084
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520/1	1.02459	1.00115 +/- 0.00083
521/1	1.00459	1.00115 +/- 0.00083
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549/1	1.01183	1.00108 +/- 0.00081
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581/1	0.97883	1.00082 +/- 0.00078
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584/1	0.99532	1.00081 +/- 0.00078
585/1	1.01923	1.00085 +/- 0.00078
586/1	1.02183	1.00090 +/- 0.00078
587/1	1.02864	1.00095 +/- 0.00078
588/1	1.03545	1.00102 +/- 0.00078
589/1	1.00669	1.00104 +/- 0.00078
590/1	1.02018	1.00107 +/- 0.00078
591/1	1.01906	1.00111 +/- 0.00078
592/1	1.00958	1.00113 +/- 0.00078
593/1	0.99834	1.00112 +/- 0.00077
594/1	0.97846	1.00108 +/- 0.00077
595/1	1.00409	1.00108 +/- 0.00077
596/1	0.99519	1.00107 +/- 0.00077
597/1	0.99994	1.00107 +/- 0.00077

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598/1 1.02981 1.00113 +/- 0.00077
599/1 1.01100 1.00115 +/- 0.00077
600/1 0.99017 1.00112 +/- 0.00077
Creating state point statepoint.600.h5...
```

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=====> TIMING STATISTICS <=====
Total time for initialization = 2.7232e-01 seconds
  Reading cross sections     = 2.4004e-01 seconds
Total time in simulation    = 3.5674e+01 seconds
  Time in transport only    = 3.5333e+01 seconds
  Time in inactive batches  = 4.7086e+00 seconds
  Time in active batches   = 3.0966e+01 seconds
  Time synchronizing fission bank = 1.9422e-01 seconds
    Sampling source sites   = 1.6838e-01 seconds
    SEND/RECV source sites = 2.4077e-02 seconds
  Time accumulating tallies = 2.6337e-02 seconds
  Time writing statepoints   = 8.4221e-03 seconds
Total time for finalization = 5.3142e-02 seconds
Total time elapsed         = 3.6005e+01 seconds
Calculation Rate (inactive) = 106189 particles/second
Calculation Rate (active)  = 80734.6 particles/second

=====> RESULTS <=====
k-effective (Collision) = 1.00096 +/- 0.00067
k-effective (Track-length) = 1.00112 +/- 0.00077
k-effective (Absorption) = 1.00176 +/- 0.00069
Combined k-effective = 1.00137 +/- 0.00054
Leakage Fraction = 0.01085 +/- 0.00007
```

STEP 7 - Post processing

Some information is displayed during simulation as well as at the end of the calculation regarding the criticality calculation, but everything else needs to be extracted from the output files.

We are going to use the `statepoint.*.h5` binary file, which contains all results, but the tally outputs can be found also in the 'tallies.out' file.

Tip: Examine the contents 'tallies.out' file in the file browser.

In [9]: `160*160`

Out[9]: `25600`

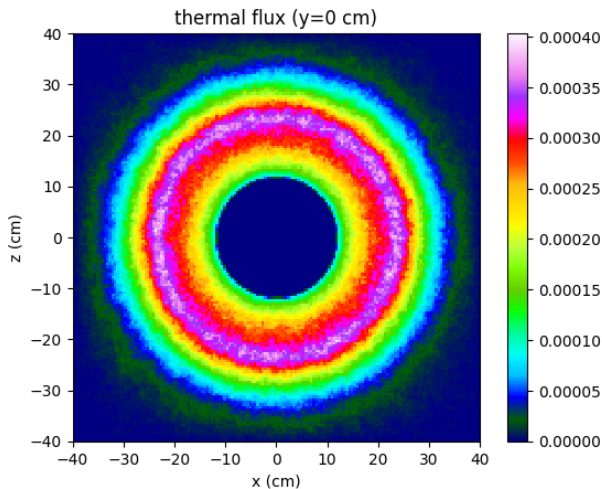
```
In [10]: # Extracting data...
with openmc.StatePoint('statepoint.'+str(settings.batches)+'.h5') as sp:
    tally_flux_xz = sp.get_tally(name='thermal_flux')
    keff=sp.keff
    print("total run time :",int(np.round(sp.runtime['total'])), 's')
sp.close()
print('k_eff = ',np.round(keff.n,5), ' +/- ', np.round(keff.s,5))

# Processing data...
dataframe_xz=tally_flux_xz.get_pandas_dataframe()
tally_mean_values_xz=dataframe_xz['mean'].values.reshape((resolution,resolution))

# Displaying data...
plt.imshow(tally_mean_values_xz, interpolation='nearest', extent=[x_min,x_max,y_max,y_min]) # NOTE: 'extent' parameter is "visual", it doesn't affect the data
plt.gca().invert_yaxis() # tally data order is different than drawing direction
plt.title('thermal flux (y=0 cm)')
plt.set_cmap('gist_ncar') # prism, gist_ncar
plt.xlabel('x (cm)')
plt.ylabel('z (cm)')
plt.colorbar()
```

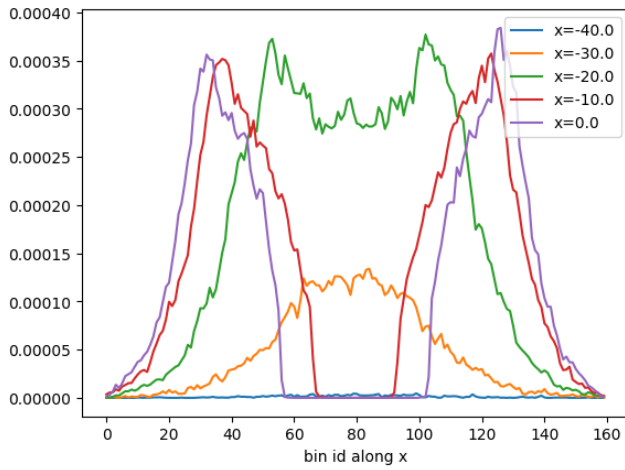
```
total run time : 36 s
k_eff = 1.00137 +/- 0.00054
```

Out[10]: `<matplotlib.colorbar.Colorbar at 0x7fe8754aeb0>`



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In [37]: for i in range(1,101,20):
df=dataframe_xz[dataframe_xz['mesh 1', 'z']==i]
datax=df['mean'].values.reshape((resolution))
plt.plot(datax,label='x='+str(i/2-40.5))

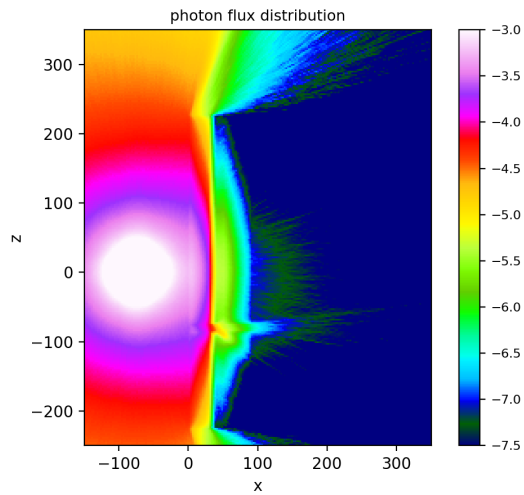
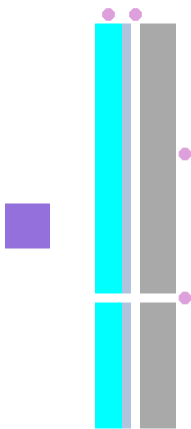
plt.xlabel('bin id along x')
plt.legend()
plt.show()
```

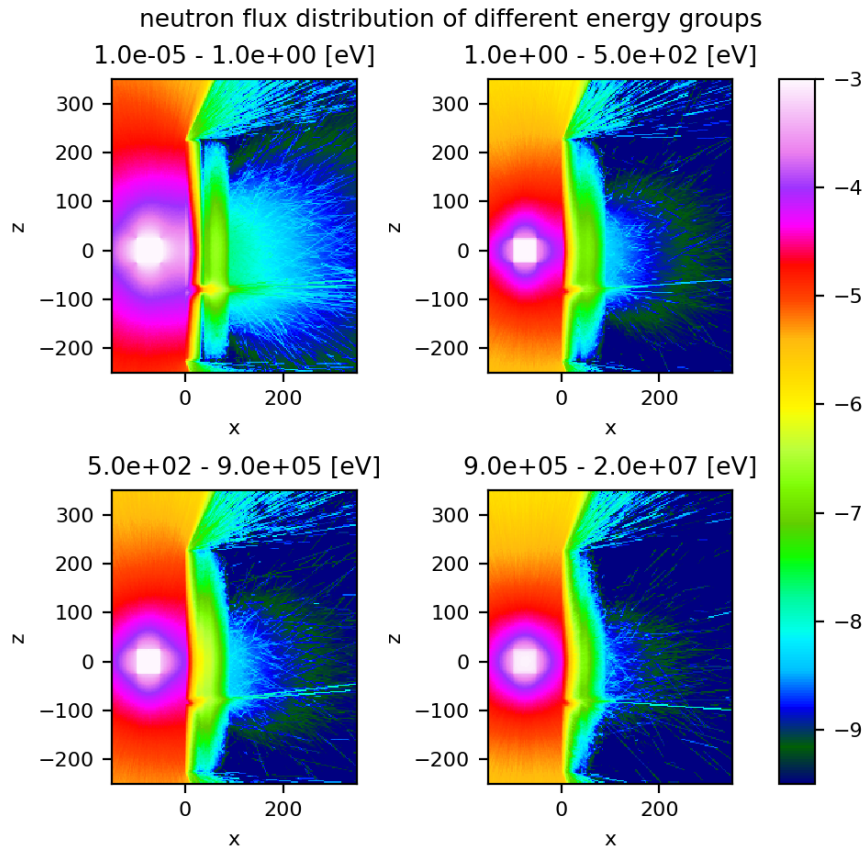


Part II - shielding example

One of the advantages of the Monte Carlo method is that small details can be included in the model. The effect of eg. a small gap/tunnel (like a tube for wires) would be extremely difficult to estimate with deterministic methods.

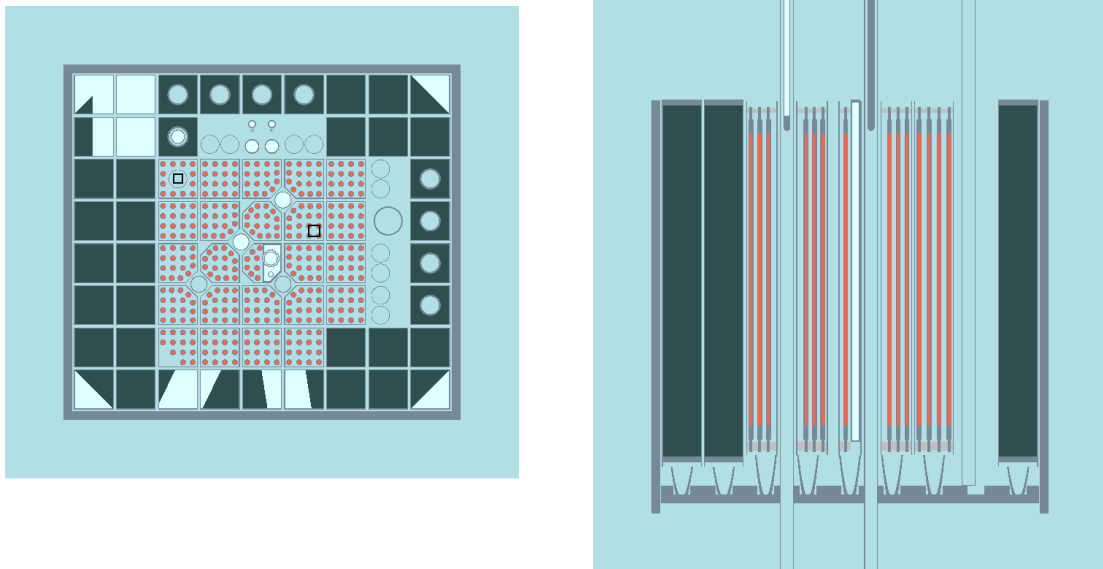
In this example, instead of k-eigenvalue calculation, a fixed source calculation was performed in a geometry with shielding materials, and photon- and neutron flux distributions were calculated, as seen below:



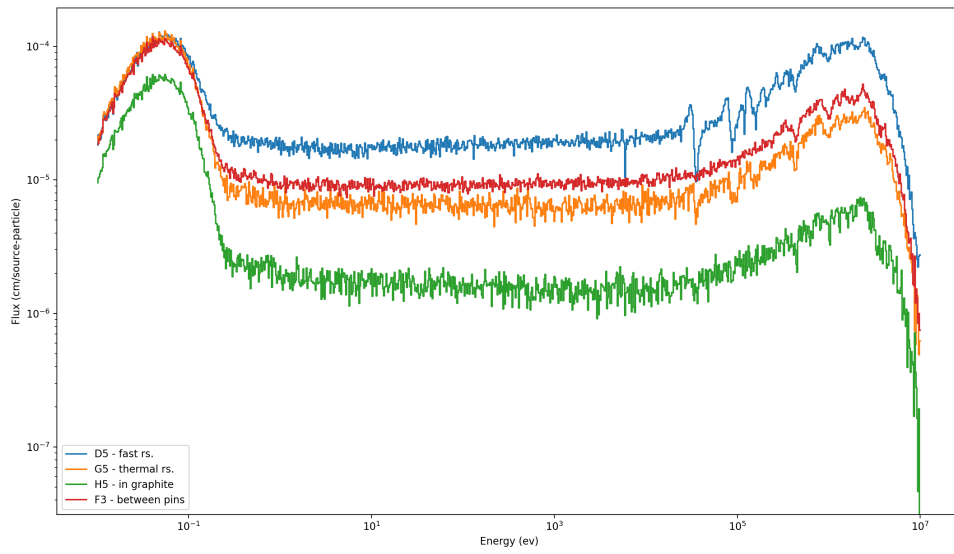
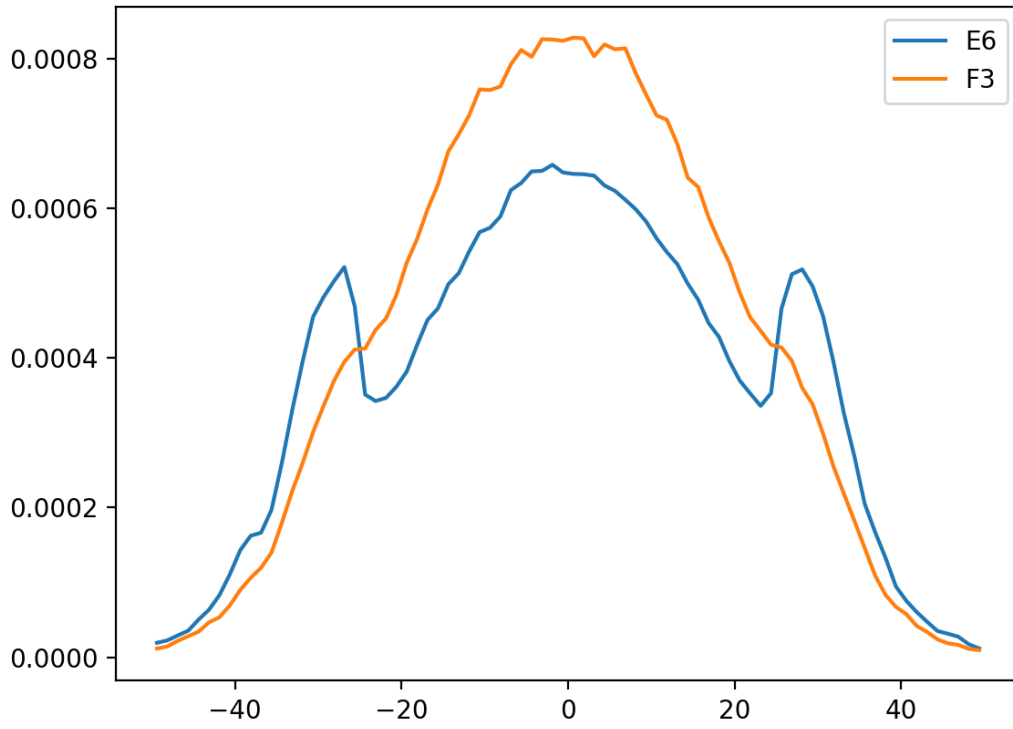


Part II - BME Training Reactor

In this example, the active core of the BME Training Reactor was modelled with all rods withdrawn, and flux distributions were estimated in different measurement positions inside the fuel assemblies:



And the results:



In []: