

Neutron background studies for CDMS (**Shielding** physics list)

- High rate of $^{65}\text{Cu}(n, \alpha)^{62}\text{Co}$ (should be zero)
- Missing $^{10}\text{B}(n, \alpha)^7\text{Li}$ (should be few percent)

In Shielding builder, cross-section datasets were registered as

```
BGGxsNeutron=new G4BGGNucleonInelasticXS(G4Neutron::Neutron());  
FindInelasticProcess(G4Neutron::Neutron()->AddDataSet(BGGxsNeutron);  
  
NeutronHPJENDLHEInelastic=new G4NeutronHPJENDLHEInelasticData;  
FindInelasticProcess(G4Neutron::Neutron()->AddDataSet(NeutronHPJENDLHEInelastic);
```

Intention was that BGG cross sections were valid for 3–91 GeV, HP cross-sections below 3 GeV

In fact, first registered dataset took precedence everywhere, even where JENDL was valid

G4VCrossSectionDataSet has interface to specify validity range

```
public: // Without Description
    inline void SetMinKinEnergy(G4double value);
    inline void SetMaxKinEnergy(G4double value);
```

In practice, this seems to be ignored

- Physics lists and builders don't specify energy ranges
- CSDS themselves don't specify energy ranges in ctor (as models do)
- First registered dataset is used exclusively

Should cross-section registry inquire and respect validity ranges?

Should data sets themselves set a “known” or “best” validity range in constructor?

Physics lists/builders could override default where appropriate

Registry could arbitrate as is done for overlapping models