

# MCNPX Overview

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- **MCNPX Summary and Development History**
- **User Base, Web Site, Development Philosophy**
- **Physics and Capability Details**
- **Select 2.5.0 Features**
- **Future Development**



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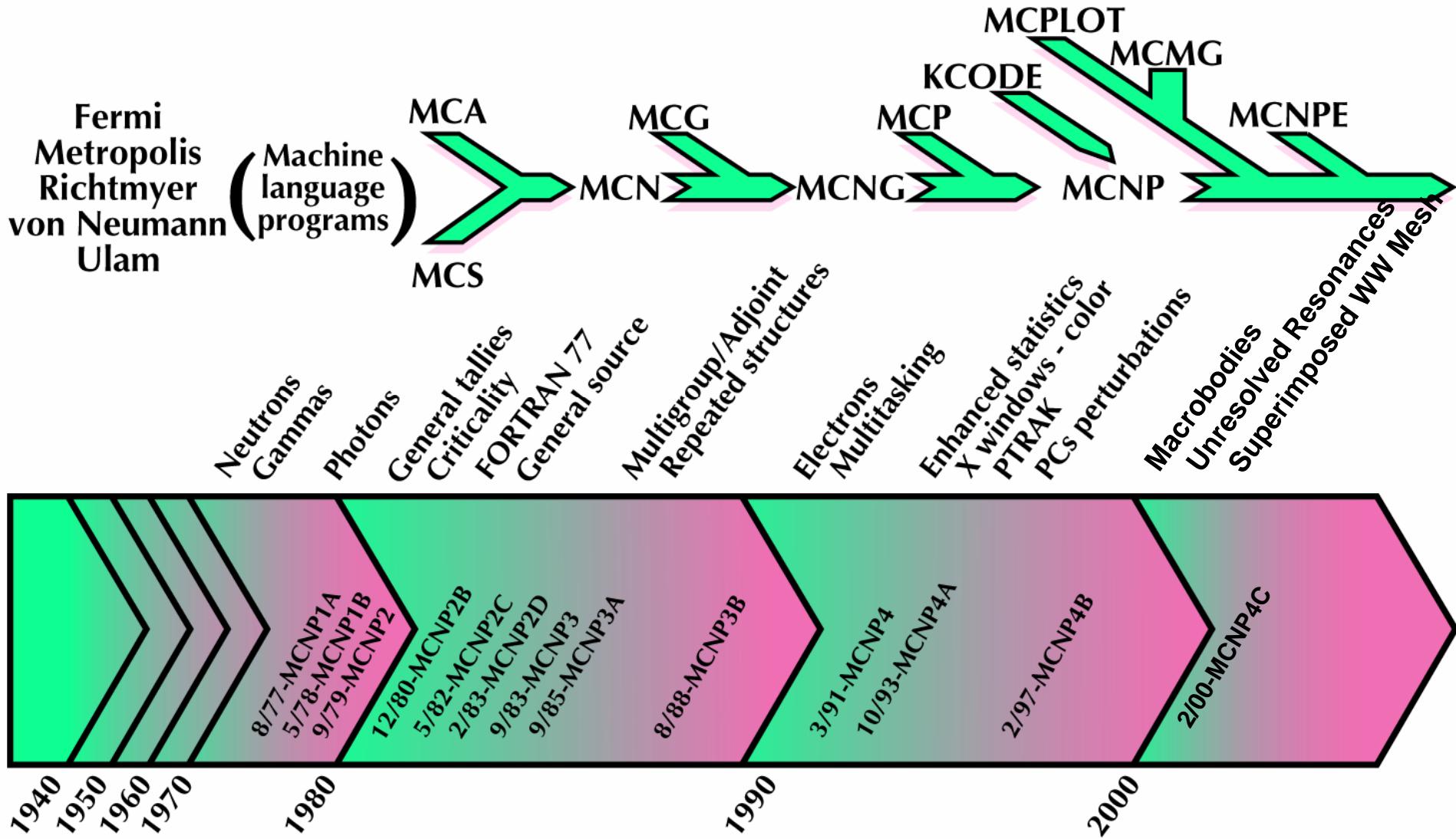


# MCNPX Summary

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- **Monte Carlo radiation transport code**
  - Extends MCNP 4C to virtually all particles and energies
  - 34 particle types (n,p,e,5 Leptons,11 Baryons,11 Mesons, 4 LI)
  - Continuous energy (roughly 0-100 GeV)
  - Data **libraries** below ~ 150 MeV (n,p,e,h) and **models** otherwise
- **General 3-D geometry**
  - 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> degree surfaces, tori, 10 macrobodies, lattices
- **General sources and tallies**
  - Interdependent source variables, 7 tally types, many modifiers
- **Supported on virtually all computer platforms**
  - Unix, Linux, Windows, OS X (parallel with PVM or MPI)

# HISTORY OF MCNP DEVELOPMENT



# Development History

- MCNP & LAHET Merger Project 1995
  - Version 2.1.5 November 14, 1999
    - HISTP/HTAPE3X, Mesh & radiography tallies, CEM
  - Version 2.3.0 April 27, 2002
    - Proton libraries
  - Version 2.4.0 August 1, 2002
    - Update to MCNP 4C, Fortran 90, Windows PC support
  - Version 2.5.0 March 21, 2005
    - Twenty-eight features



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# Development History

- **Version 2.6.A** December 5, 2005
    - Eigenfunction convergence, Burnup, Long file names
  - **Version 2.6.B** June 1, 2006
    - CEM 03, Updated PHTLIB, Burnup predictor-corrector
  - **Version 2.6.C** ~November, 2006
    - Activation n+ $\gamma$ , Spherical WW, Photon tally tagging
  - **Version 2.6.D** ~February, 2006
    - Radioactive sources, PN improvements, LAQGSM
  - **Version 2.6.0** ~Fall, 2007



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# User Base

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- **~2500 users world wide**
  - Provide 6-8 workshops per year (4-6 US, ~2 international)
  - 150 workshop participants per year
  - Access to RSICC/NEA released versions only
    - <http://rsicc.ornl.gov>
  - Limited access to MCNPX web site
    - <http://mcnpx.lanl.gov> (some documentation)
- **~2000 registered Beta Testers**
  - Full access to MCNPX web site
  - Access to intermediate versions
  - Increased user support



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<b>Application</b>	<b># Groups</b>	<b>Percent</b>
Medical (BNCT, proton therapy, etc.)	63	16
Spacecraft, Cosmic Rays, SEE, propulsion	56	14
Detectors, experiments, Threat Reduction	55	14
Accelerator Shielding and Health Physics	43	11
Fuel cycles, beginning to end, including storage	40	10
ATW, ADS, Energy Amplifiers	38	9
Theoretical Physics	25	6
Neutron Production for Scattering	23	6
Isotope Production	14	3
Radiography	14	3
MCNPX/MCNP code development	12	3
Materials studies (IFMIF)	6	1
Radioactive Ion Beams	5	1
Irradiation Facilities	5	1
Neutrino Targets	4	1
Light Sources, electron machines	3	1



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## Welcome to the home of the MCNPX code!

MCNPX is a general-purpose Monte Carlo radiation transport code for modeling the interaction of radiation with everything. MCNPX stands for Monte Carlo N-Particle eXtended. It extends the capabilities of MCNP4C3 to nearly all particle types, to nearly all energies, and to nearly all applications without additional computational time penalty. MCNPX is fully three-dimensional and time dependent. It utilizes the latest nuclear cross section libraries and uses physics models for particle types and energies where tabular data are not available. Applications range from outer space (the discovery of water on Mars) to deep underground (where radiation is used to search for oil.) MCNPX is used for nuclear medicine, nuclear safeguards, accelerator applications, nuclear criticality, and much more.

MCNPX is available (source code, executables, data) from [the Radiation Safety](#)



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**This is the place to find copies of the code.**

### **General Release**

MCNPX version 2.5.0 is currently available from [RSICC](#), The Radiation Safety Information Computational Center at Laboratory. It will soon be available from [OECD/NEA](#), The European Community Organization for Economic Coope Nuclear Energy Agency.

For code access, contact RSICC or OECD/NEA for copies.

### **Beta Release**

MCNPX is under active development and newer versions are available to beta testers under a beta test agreement. The beta testing program should contact [the MCNPX team](#), [mcnpx@lanl.gov](mailto:mcnpx@lanl.gov), for information.

Beta testers can access the code by using [Beta Release access](#).

### **Developer Release**

For sponsors and MCNPX developers, intermediate developmental versions are available. Developers can access the [Developer access](#).



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## Reports and Papers

Gregg W. McKinney et al., "MCNPX Overview", [LA-UR-06-????](#) (278 KB), Proceedings of the 2006 HSSW, FNAL 2006.

Gregg W. McKinney et al., "MCNPX 2.5.0 - New Features Demonstrated", [LA-UR-04-8695](#) (278 KB), Proceedings of the MCNPX Conference, Chattanooga, Tennessee, April 17-21, 2005.

John S. Hendricks, "MCNPX Model/Table Comparison," [LA-14030](#) (March 2003) (3.3 MB), is a 50-page report demonstrating the mix-and-match capability and assessing the ability to use neutron physics models below 20-MeV.

The following papers describe the CEM03 physics model: [LA-UR-06-1764 cover page](#) (.05 MB), [LA-UR-06-1764](#) (.8 MB).

The following papers describe the INCL4 physics model (IntraNuclear Cascade Liege - Cugnon) and ABLA physics model (GSI): [NuclPhys620\\_475](#) (1.5 MB), [NuclPhys625\\_729](#) (1.2 MB), [NuclPhys628\\_458](#) (1.0 MB), [NuclPhys629\\_459](#) (1.0 MB), [PhysRevC33\\_2039](#) (3.1 MB), [PhysRevC66\\_44615](#) (.5 MB).

The following papers describe the MCNP5 photon Doppler broadening capability which is now available in MCNPX: [LA-UR-04-0488.pdf](#). These are LANL memoranda by Avneet Sood, "Doppler Energy Broadening for Incoherent Scatter: X-5:AS-02-16, July 31, 2002, 11 pages, .164 MB) and Part 2 (X-5:AS-02-17, July 31, 2002, 23 pages, .158 MB).

## Installation Notes:

# Development Philosophy

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- **Quality**
  - Active Beta Testers (~2000)
  - Bug rewards (\$4 for old bugs, \$20 new bugs)
  - Extensive test suite (~300 problems, ~75% coverage)
- **Value**
  - Thorough documentation (manual, web site)
  - Users forum
  - Three levels of workshops (intro, intermediate, advanced)
- **Features**
  - Beta release ~3 months
  - Public release ~2 years
  - Average ~1 feature/month



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<b>General</b>	<b>MCNPX</b>	<b>GEANT4</b>	<b>FLUKA</b>	<b>MARS</b>	<b>PHITS</b>
<b>Version</b>	2.5.0	8.0 p1	2005	15	2.09
<b>Lab. Affiliation</b>	LANL	CERN IN2P3 INFN KEK SLAC TRIUMF ESA	CERN INFN	FNAL	JAEA RIST GSI Chalmers Univ.
<b>Language</b>	Fortran 90/C	C++	Fortran 77	Fortran 95/C	Fortran 77
<b>Cost</b>	Free	Free	Free	Free	Free
<b>Release Format</b>	Source & binary	Source & binary	Source & binary	Binary	Source & binary
<b>User Manual</b>	470 pages	280 pages	387 pages	150 pages	176 pages
<b>Users</b>	2500	~2000	~1000	220	220
<b>Web Site</b>	mcnpx.lanl.gov	cern.ch/geant4	www.fluka.org	www-ap.fnal.gov/MARS	Under const.
<b>Workshops</b>	~7/year	~4/year	~1/year	~2/year	~1/year
<b>Input Format</b>	Free	C++ main Fixed geometry	Fixed or free	Free	Free
<b>Input Cards</b>	~120	N/A	~85	~100	~100
<b>Parallel Execution</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

<b>Geometry</b>	<b>MCNPX</b>	<b>GEANT4</b>	<b>FLUKA</b>	<b>MARS</b>	<b>PHITS</b>
<b>Description</b>	MCNP-based	STEP Solids (Boolean CSG)	MORSE-based	Solids MCNP-based User defined	MCNP-based MORSE-based
<b>Extensions</b>					
Twisted	No	Yes	No	No	No
Nested	Yes (universes)	Yes (logical vol.)	No	Yes	Yes (universes)
Repeated	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Voxel	Lattice (rec, hex)	Yes (rec, cyl)	Yes	Yes	Lattice (rec, hex)
<b>Reflections</b>	3 types	Yes	Yes	Yes	Neutron albedo
<b>Viewer Debugger</b>	Built-in: 2-D Interactive X-Windows External: Vised Moritz	Built-in: 3-D Interactive OpenGL OpenInventor RayTracer External: WIRED VRML DAWN	Built-in: None External: Custom (X11) Others?	Built-in: 2-D Interactive Tcl/Tl 3-D Interactive OpenGL External: Custom	Built-in: 2,3-D Command PS via Angel External: Angel PS
<b>Setup GUI</b>	Vised Moritz	GGE	No	Tcl/Tl	No
<b>CAD</b>	STEP via GUI	STEP	No	No	No
<b>Fields (E/B)</b>	<b>2.6.0</b>	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Moving</b>	<b>2.6.0</b>	Yes	Yes	No	Yes

<b>Source</b>	<b>MCNPX</b>	<b>GEANT4</b>	<b>FLUKA</b>	<b>MARS</b>	<b>PHITS</b>
<b>Fixed</b>					
General					
Explicit	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Distribution	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Dep. Dist.	Yes	GPS	No	Yes	Yes
External	SSW/SSR	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
User Sub.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Eigenvalue</b>	Yes	No	No	No	No
<b>Burnup</b>	Yes (2.6.A)	No	No	No	No

<b>Physics</b>	<b>MCNPX</b>	<b>GEANT4</b>	<b>FLUKA</b>	<b>MARS</b>	<b>PHITS</b>
<b>Particles</b>	34	68	68	41	38
<b>Charged particles</b>	CSDA	CSDA	CSDA	CSDA	CSDA
Energy loss	Bethe-Bloch	Bethe-Bloch	Bethe-Bloch	Bethe-Bloch	Bethe-Bloch
Scatter	Rossi	Lewis	Moliere	Moliere*	Moliere
Straggling	Vavilov	Urban	Custom	Custom	Vavilov
XTR/Cherenkov	No	Yes	No/yes	No	No
<b>Baryons</b>					
Neutron					
Low	Cont. (ENDF)	Cont. (ENDF)	Multigroup(72)	Cont. (ENDF)	Cont. (ENDF)
High	Models	Models	Models	Models	Models
Proton					
Low	Cont. (ENDF)	Models	Models	Models	Models
High	Models	Models	Models	Models	Models
Other	Model List: Bertini ISABEL CEM INCL FLUKA89>3 GeV <b>LAQGSM (2.6.D)</b>	Model list: Hadron-nucleous GHEISHA* INUCL(Bertini) BIC CHIPS QGS/FTF>8 GeV	Model list: PEANUT(GINC) DPM+Glauber > 5 GeV	Model list: Custom CEM LAQGSM DPMJET	Model list: Bertini JAM>3 GeV
<b>Leptons</b>					
Electrons	ITS 3.0	EEDL, EADL	Custom	Custom	ITS 3.0
Muon	CSDA/decay	Models	Models	Models	CSDA/decay
Neutrino	Production	Production	Models	Models	Models
Other	Decay	Decay	Decay	Models	Models

<b>Physics</b>	<b>MCNPX</b>	<b>GEANT4</b>	<b>FLUKA</b>	<b>MARS</b>	<b>PHITS</b>
<b>Mesons</b>	Models	Models	Models	Models	Models
<b>Photons</b> Optical x-ray/ $\gamma$ Photonuclear	No ITS 3.0 Libraries (IAEA) CEM	Yes EPDL97, EADL CHIPS	Yes Custom+EPDL97 PEANUT VMDM	No Custom Custom CEM	No ITS 3.0 No
<b>Ions</b>	ISABEL <b>LAQGSM (2.6.D)</b>	AAM EDM BLIC	RQMD-2.4 DPMJET-3	LAQGSM	JQMD JAMQMD > 3 GeV/u
<b>Delayed</b>	<b>n,<math>\gamma</math> (2.6.C)</b>	$\alpha, \beta, \gamma$	$\beta, \gamma$	$\gamma$	n

Tallies	MCNPX	GEANT4	FLUKA	MARS	PHITS
<b>Standard</b>					
Flux					
Volume	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Surface	Yes	Limited	Yes	Yes	Yes
Point/ring	Yes	No	No	Yes (neutrons)	No
Current	Yes	Limited	Yes	Yes	Yes
Charge	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Kinetic energy	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Particle density	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Reaction rates	Yes	No	Star (inelastic)	Yes	Yes
Energy deposition	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rapidity	No	Yes	Yes	Yes.	No
DPA	HTAPE3X	??	Some	Yes	Yes
Momentum	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Pulse-height	Yes	User input	Yes	No	Yes
Termination	Partial	??	Yes	Partial	Yes
Modifiers	9	2	2	2	2
<b>Special</b>					
Mesh	rec, cyl, sph	rec, cyl	rec, cyl	rec, cyl, sph	rec,cyl
Coincidence	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Residuals	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Activation	2.5.D	??	Yes	Yes	No
Event logs	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Convergence Tests</b>	10	Error	Error	Error	Error

Tallies	MCNPX	GEANT4	FLUKA	MARS	PHITS
<b>Viewer</b>	Built-in: 1-D, 2-D Custom X-Windows External: IDL Tecplot GNUplot PAW	Built-in: No External: JAS PI Open Scientist	Built-in: None External: Custom (X11) GNUplot PAW ROOT	Built-in: Custom External: PAW	Built-in: Angel External: Angel
<b>Variance Reduction</b>					
<b>Population control</b>					
Region biasing	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Weight cutoff	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Weight window mesh	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Energy biasing	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Modified sampling</b>					
Source biasing	Yes	RDM	Yes	Yes	Yes
Implicit capture	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Exp. transform	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No
Production biasing	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Angular bias	Via DXTRAN	??	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>DXTRAN</b>	Yes	No	No	No	No
<b>Viewer</b>	2-D contour	No	No	No	No

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# Select 2.5.0 Features

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- **User-interface enhancements (15)**
  - 5 new source options
  - 4 new tally options
  - 3 new graphics options
  - 3 other miscellaneous improvements
- **Physics enhancements (9)**
  - 4 new model physics features
  - 2 new neutron physics features
  - 3 new photon physics features
- **Infrastructure enhancements (4)**



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# User-Interface Enhancements

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- **Five new source options**
  - Positron sources
  - Spontaneous fission sources
  - **Multiple source particles**
  - Default VEC for cylindrical sources
  - **Extension of the TR keyword**



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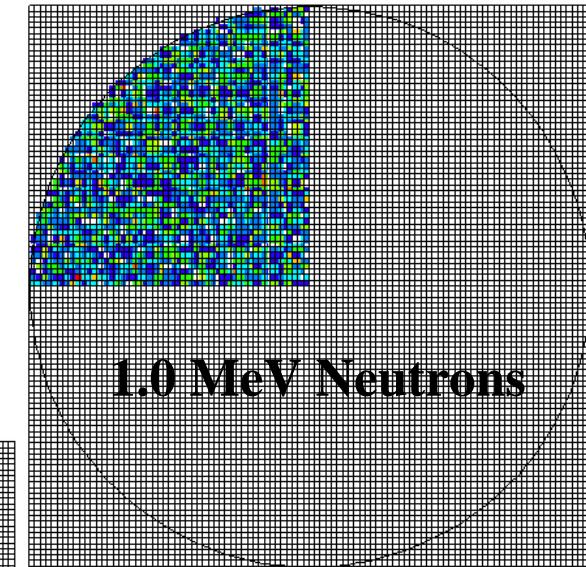
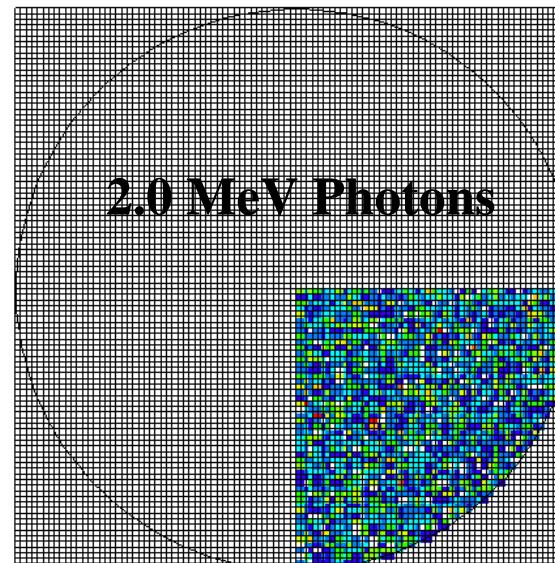


# Multiple Source Particles / TR Extension

```
Distribution for PAR and TR Keywords
1 0    -1    imp:n=1
2 0     1    imp:n=0

1 SPH 0 0 0 100

mode n p
sdef par=d1 erg=fpar=d2 tr=fpar=d3
      x=d4 y=d5 z=0 cell=1
s1 L n   p
sp1 1 1
ds2 L 1.0 2.0
ds3 L 1 2
si4 -50 50
sp4 0 1
si5 -50 50
sp5 0 1
tr1 -50 50 0
tr2 50 -50 0
nps 10000
tmesh
rmesh2 n p
cora2 -100 99i 100
corb2 -100 99i 100
corc2 -1 1
endmd
```



1.0 MeV Neutrons

# User-Interface Enhancements

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- **Four new tally options**
  - Lattice tally speedup
  - Anticoincidence pulse-height tally
  - Coincidence capture pulse-height tally
  - Residual nuclei pulse-height tally



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# Anticoincidence Pulse-Height Tally

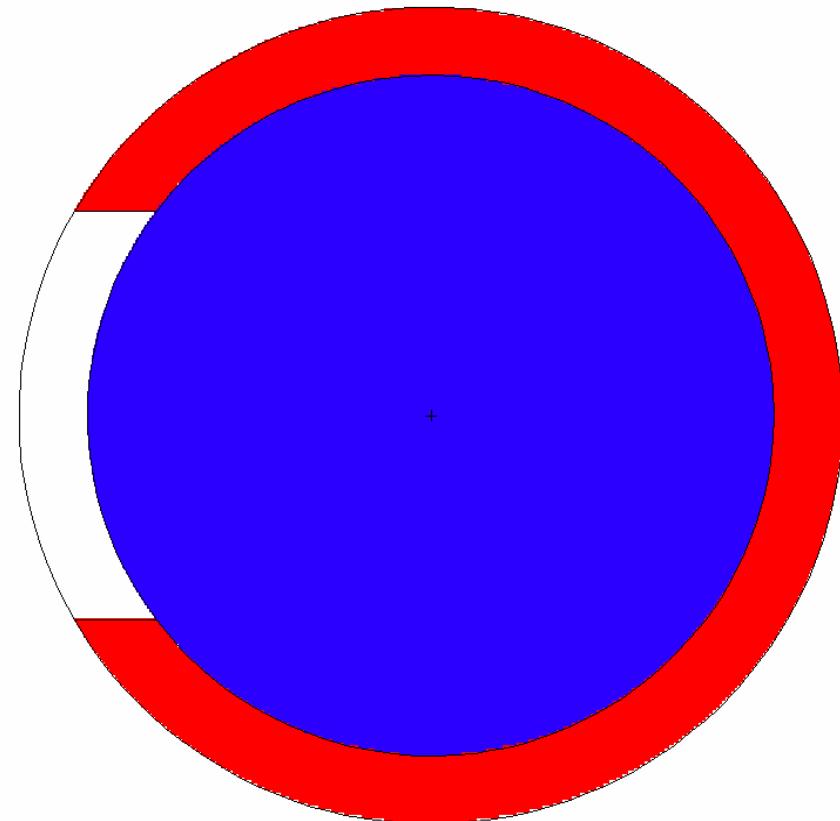
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```
Anticoincidence PHT 1 MeV Photons => Plastic/BGO
```

```
1 1 -7.130 -1      imp:p=1  
2 2 -1.032  1 -2  3 imp:p=1  
3 0          1 -2 -3 imp:p=1  
4 0          2      imp:p=0
```

```
1 SPH 0 0 0 5.0  
2 SPH 0 0 0 6.0  
3 RCC -7 0 0 4 0 0 3.0
```

```
mode p e  
sdef sur=2 nrm=-1 par=p erg=1.0  
nps 100000  
m1  83000 -0.671 32000 -0.175 8000 -0.154  
m2  6000 -0.9153 1000 -0.0847  
f26:e 2           $ Plastic energy dep  
ft26  GEB 0 0.1098 0  
sd26  1  
f36:e 1           $ BGO energy dep.  
ft36  GEB 0 0.1098 0  
sd36  1  
f18:e 1           $ Plastic/BGO PHT  
e18   0. 1.0  
fu18  0. 99i 1.0  
ft18  phl 1 26 1 1 36 1  
fq18  u e
```



# Anticoincidence Pulse-Height Tally

```
tally 18      nps = 100000
+
          ACS/BGO Pulse Height Response - all particles
tally type 8      pulse height distribution.      units      number
particle(s): photon      electron
this tally is modified by      ft      phl
```

cell 1		energy:	0.0000E+00	1.0000E+00	total	←	Plastic
user bin							
0.0000E+00	1.30000E-04	0.2773	8.84300E-02	0.0102	8.85600E-02	0.0101	B
1.0000E-02	6.80000E-04	0.1212	4.40000E-04	0.1507	1.12000E-03	0.0944	G
2.0000E-02	7.90000E-04	0.1125	3.70000E-04	0.1644	1.16000E-03	0.0928	O
3.0000E-02	6.90000E-04	0.1203	5.90000E-04	0.1302	1.28000E-03	0.0883	
4.0000E-02	8.70000E-04	0.1072	4.60000E-04	0.1474	1.33000E-03	0.0867	
5.0000E-02	7.80000E-04	0.1132	3.30000E-04	0.1740	1.11000E-03	0.0949	
6.0000E-02	8.40000E-04	0.1091	3.20000E-04	0.1767	1.16000E-03	0.0928	
7.0000E-02	9.30000E-04	0.1036	3.60000E-04	0.1666	1.29000E-03	0.0880	
8.0000E-02	7.60000E-04	0.1147	4.60000E-04	0.1474	1.22000E-03	0.0905	
9.0000E-02	8.00000E-04	0.1118	4.30000E-04	0.1525	1.23000E-03	0.0901	
1.0000E-01	9.20000E-04	0.1042	4.20000E-04	0.1543	1.34000E-03	0.0863	
1.1000E-01	9.80000E-04	0.1010	3.80000E-04	0.1622	1.36000E-03	0.0857	
1.2000E-01	8.60000E-04	0.1078	4.60000E-04	0.1474	1.32000E-03	0.0870	
1.3000E-01	8.70000E-04	0.1072	4.60000E-04	0.1474	1.33000E-03	0.0867	
1.4000E-01	9.30000E-04	0.1036	5.20000E-04	0.1386	1.45000E-03	0.0830	
1.5000E-01	9.30000E-04	0.1036	4.30000E-04	0.1525	1.36000E-03	0.0857	
1.6000E-01	8.40000E-04	0.1091	5.90000E-04	0.1302	1.43000E-03	0.0836	
1.7000E-01	9.50000E-04	0.1025	5.90000E-04	0.1302	1.54000E-03	0.0805	
1.8000E-01	1.08000E-03	0.0962	6.70000E-04	0.1221	1.75000E-03	0.0755	
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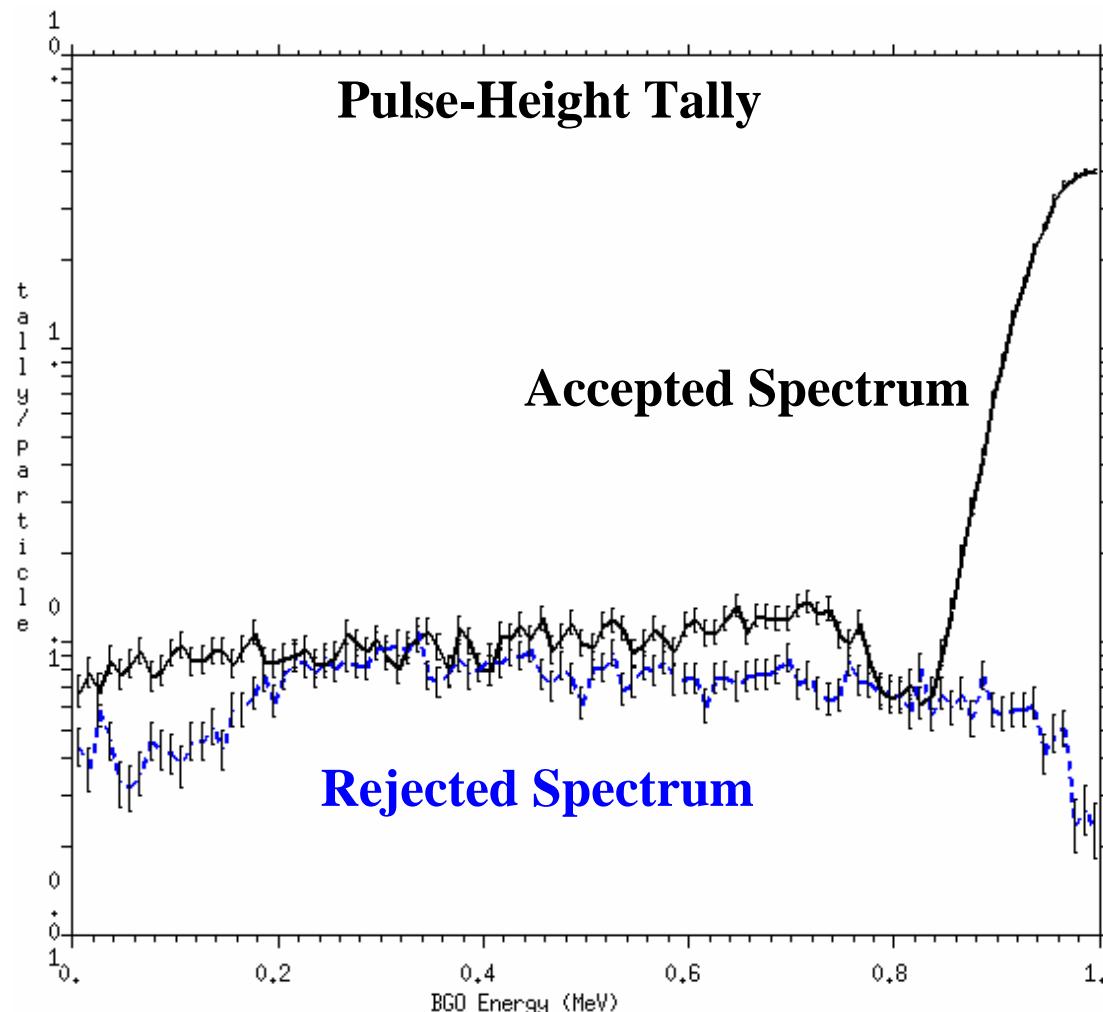


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# Anticoincidence Pulse-Height Tally

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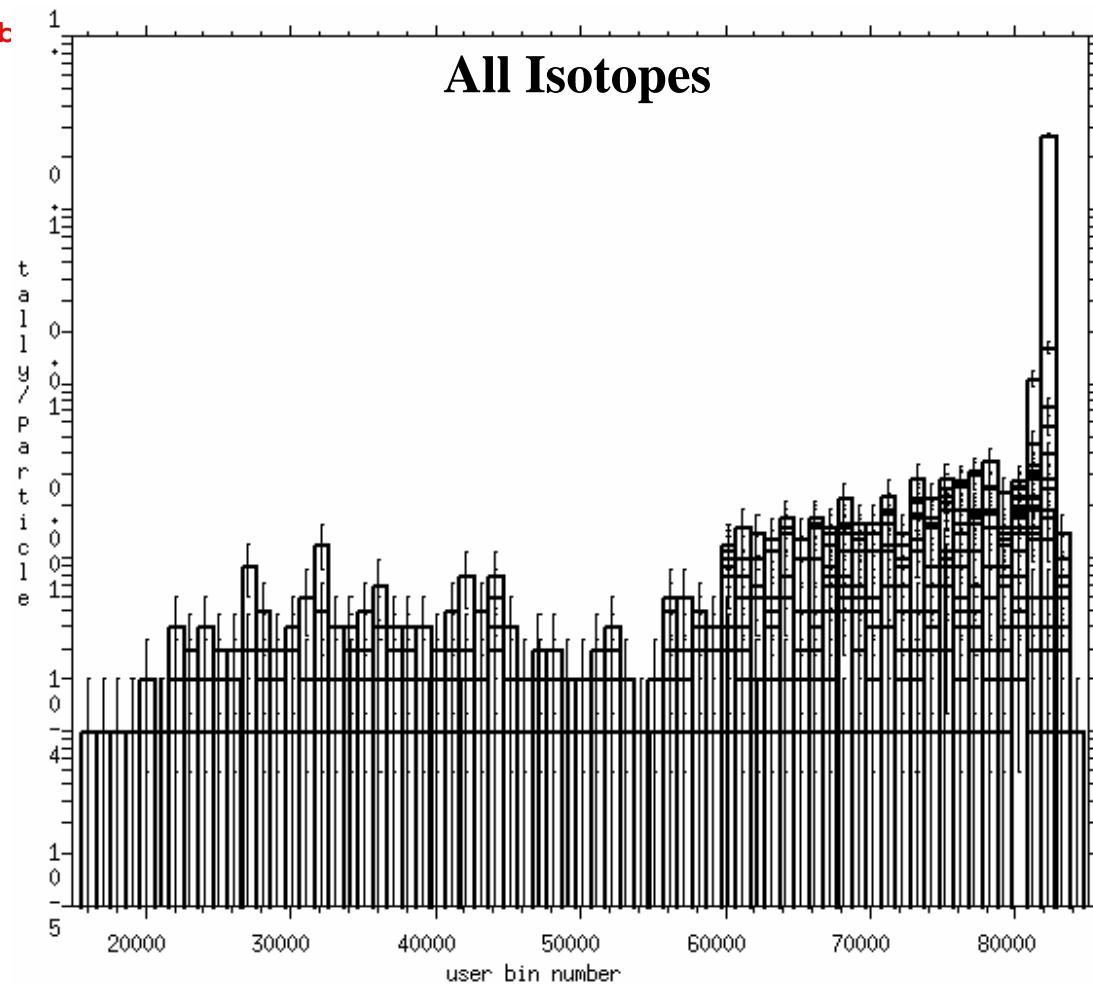


# Residual Nuclei Pulse-Height Tally

```
Residuals for 1.2 GeV Protons => Pb
1 1 -11. -1 imp:h 1
2 0           1 imp:h 0

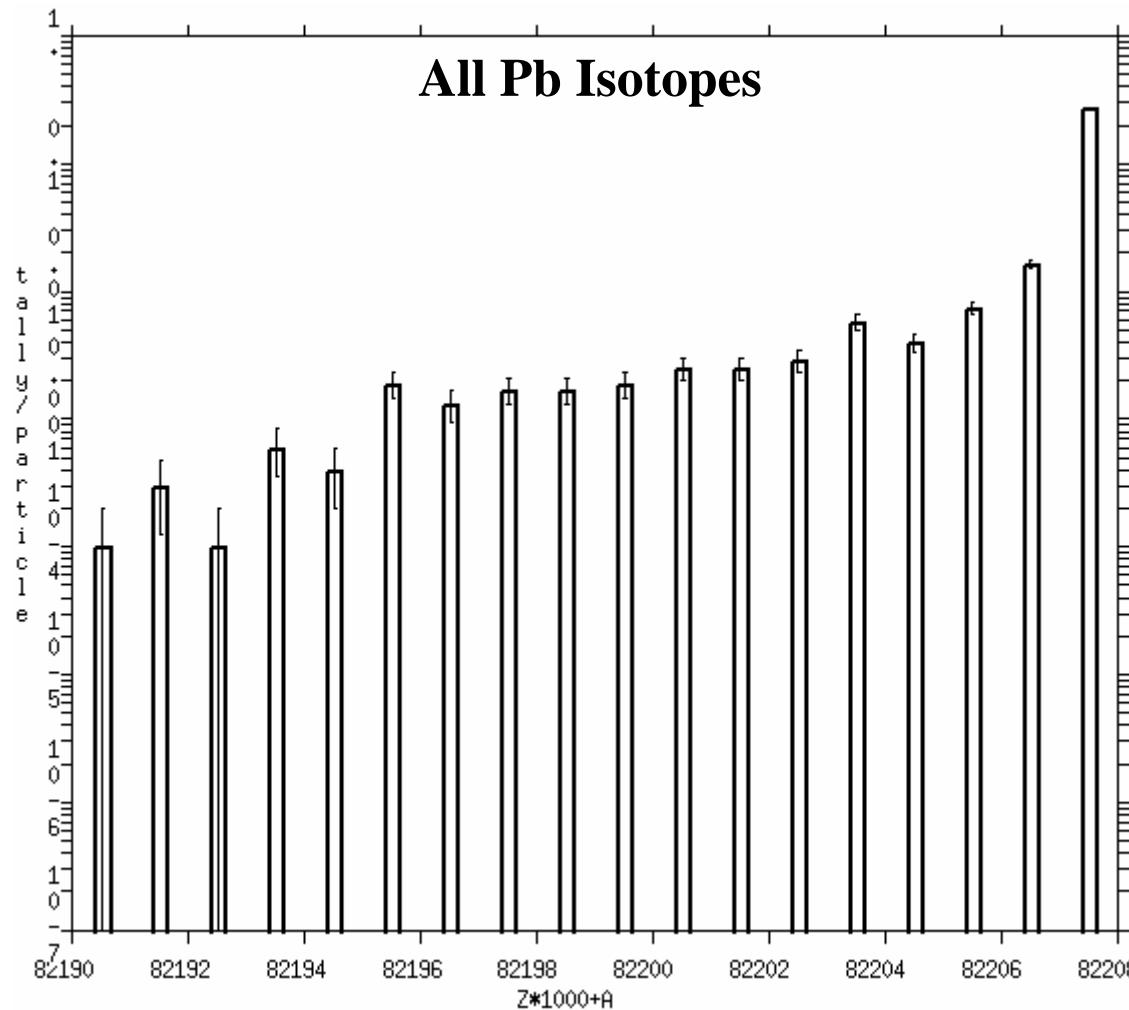
1 so .01

mode h n
sdef par h erg=1200
    vec 0 0 1 dir 1
m1 82208 1
phys:h 1300 j 0
phys:n 1300 3j 0
nps 10000
f8:h 1
ft8 RES 1 99
lca 7j -2 0
```



# Residual Nuclei Pulse-Height Tally

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# User-Interface Enhancements

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- **Three new graphics options**
  - Lattice index labeling
  - WWG superimposed mesh plots
  - Color contour and mesh tally plots



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# WWG Superimposed Mesh Plots

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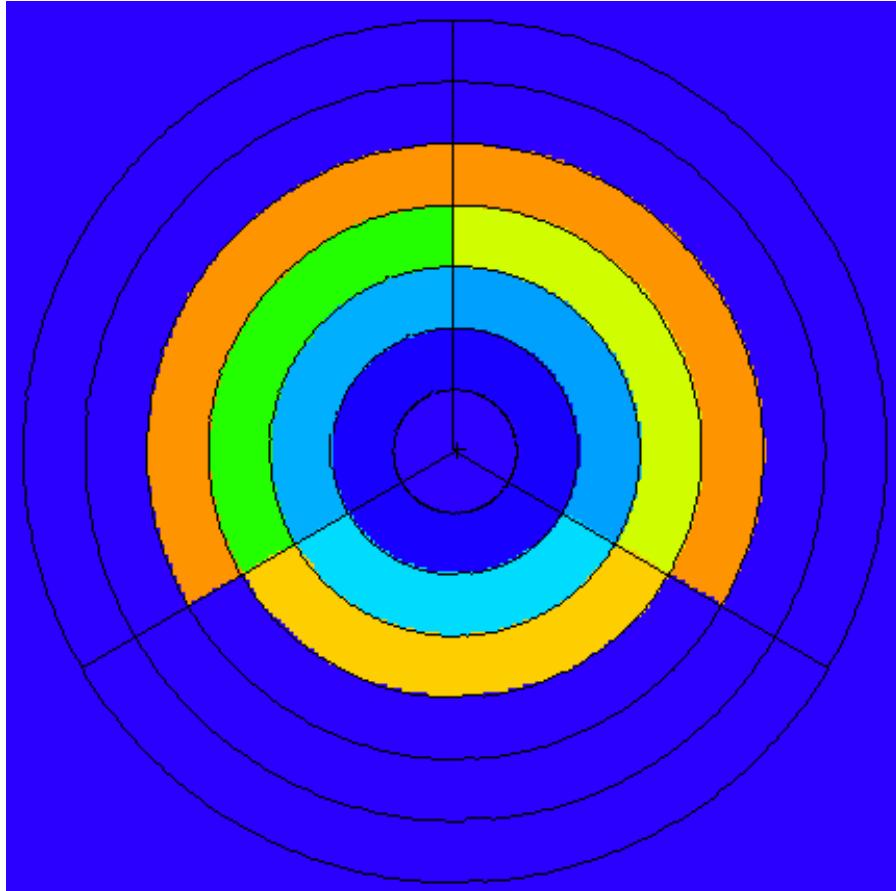
```
Cylindrical WW Mesh-3 MeV Photons => H2O
1 1 1.0 -1 imp:p 1
2 0 1 imp:p 0
1 rcc 0 0 0 0 10 0 5
mode p
sdef sur=1.3 vec=0 1 0 dir=1 erg=3
m1 1001 2 8016 1
nps 1000000
f1:p 1.2
wwg 1 0
mesh geom=cyl origin=0 -1 0 ref=0 .1 0
axs=0 1 0 vec=1 0 0
imesh 6 iints 7
jmesh 12 jints 7
kmesh 1 kints 3
```

```
Cylindrical WW Mesh-3 MeV Photons => H2O
1 1 1.0 -1 imp:p 1
2 0 1 imp:p 0
1 rcc 0 0 0 0 10 0 5
mode p
sdef sur=1.3 vec=0 1 0 dir=1 erg=3
m1 1001 2 8016 1
nps 1000000
f1:p 1.2
wwg 1 0
mesh geom=cyl origin=0 -1 0 ref=0 .1 0
axs=0 1 0 vec=1 0 0
imesh 6 iints 14
jmesh 12 jints 14
kmesh 1 kints 6
wwp:p 4j -1
```



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0	0	0	0	0	0	0
0	0	516.41	45.919	6.7298	.76013	.11743
0	798.41	115.65	12.151	2.0073	.29556	.078563
0	581.18	38.573	5.2054	.88906	.19987	.071571
0	152.11	11.927	1.9159	.51562	.16321	.067986
726.62	20.198	2.9409	.86014	.33905	.13782	.06476
4.3259	2.3747	1.0308	.48888	.24705	.12071	.062738
.5	.43165	.27975	.17564	.11279	.075209	.05309
729.93	20.787	2.9729	.88216	.33416	.13752	.064937
852.48	174.14	12.803	1.9784	.50913	.16225	.067529
971.61	365.37	65.745	5.6809	.89001	.20115	.071058
0	803.01	163.67	16.657	2.0451	.29261	.077905
0	0	255.6	64.384	7.2241	.69127	.11582
0	0	0	0	0	0	0



# Color Contour and Mesh Tally Plots

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```
HEU Cans in a Hex Lattice
1 1 -8.4      -1        u=1      imp:n=1
2 0           -2        u=1      imp:n=1
3 2 -2.7      -3 1 2   u=1      imp:n=1
4 3 -.001     3        u=1      imp:n=1
10 3 -.001    -6 lat=2 u=2    imp:n=1 fill=-2:2 -2:2 0:0
          2 2 2 2 2 2 1 1 2 2 1 1 1 2 2 1 1 2 2 2 2 2 2 2
11 0           -8        u=1      imp:n=1 fill=2
50 0           8        u=1      imp:n=0

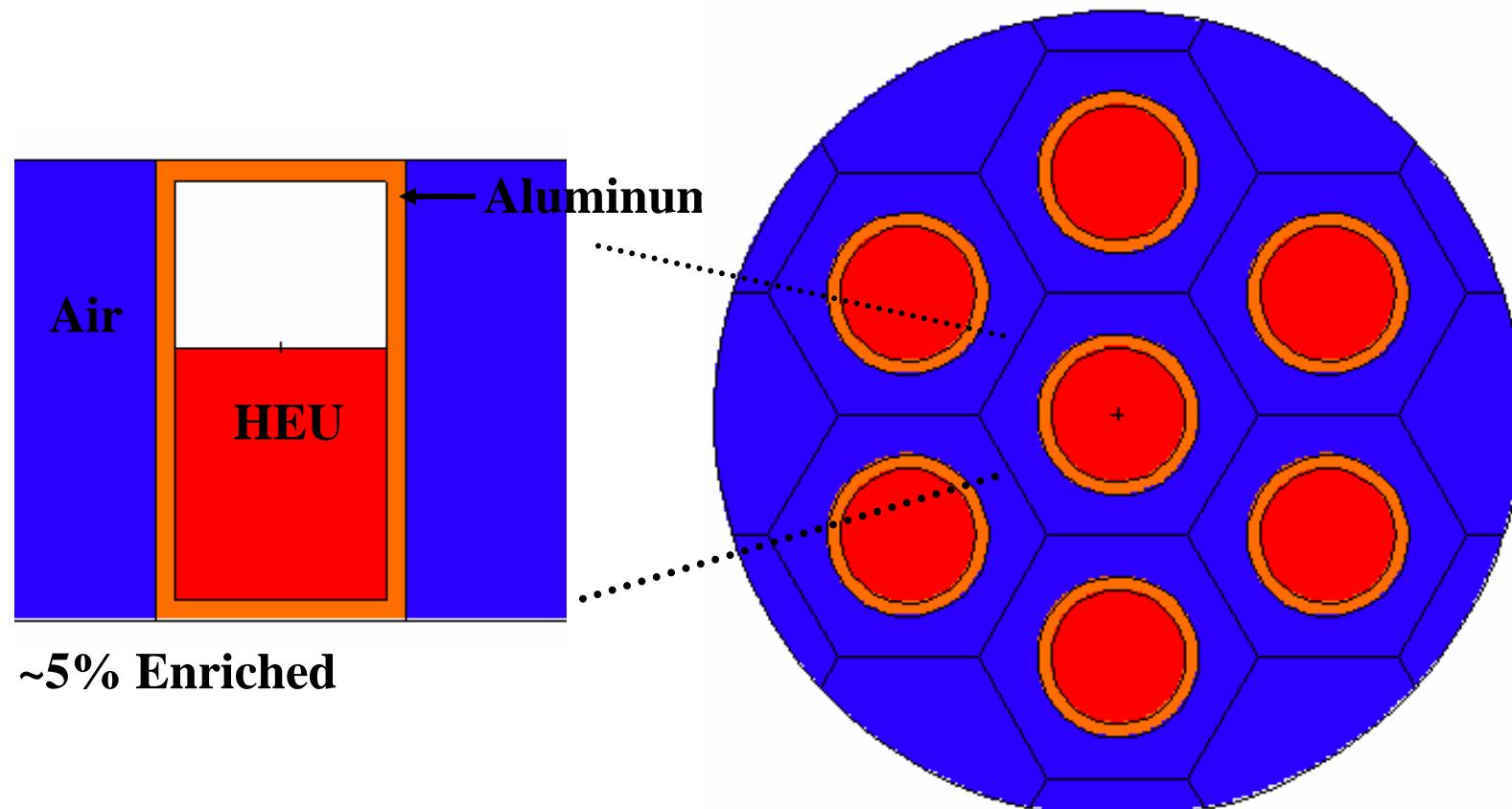
1 rcc 0  0  0  0 12  0  5
2 rcc 0 12  0  0  8  0  5
3 rcc 0 -1  0  0 22  0  6
6 rhp 0 -1  0  0 22  0  9  0  0
8 rcc 0 -1  0  0 22  0  30

m1    1001 5.7058e-2 8016 3.2929e-2 92238 2.0909e-3 92235 1.0889e-4
m2    13027 1
m3    7014 .8 8016 .2
kcode 10000 1 10 40
ksrc 0 6 0    18 6 0    -18 6 0    9 6 15    -9 6 15    9 6 -15    -9 6 -15
tmesh
rmesh12
coral2 -30. 53i 30.
corb12 0. 12.
corc12 -30. 35i 30.
endmd
```



# Color Contour and Mesh Tally Plots

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04/12/05 15:41:44  
cylinders containing critical  
fluid in macrobody hex lattice

probid = 04/11/05 16:42:09  
basist: XZ  
( 1.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000)  
( 0.000000, 0.000000, 1.000000)  
origin:  
( -0.00, 5.00, 0.00)  
extent = ( -40.00, 40.00)

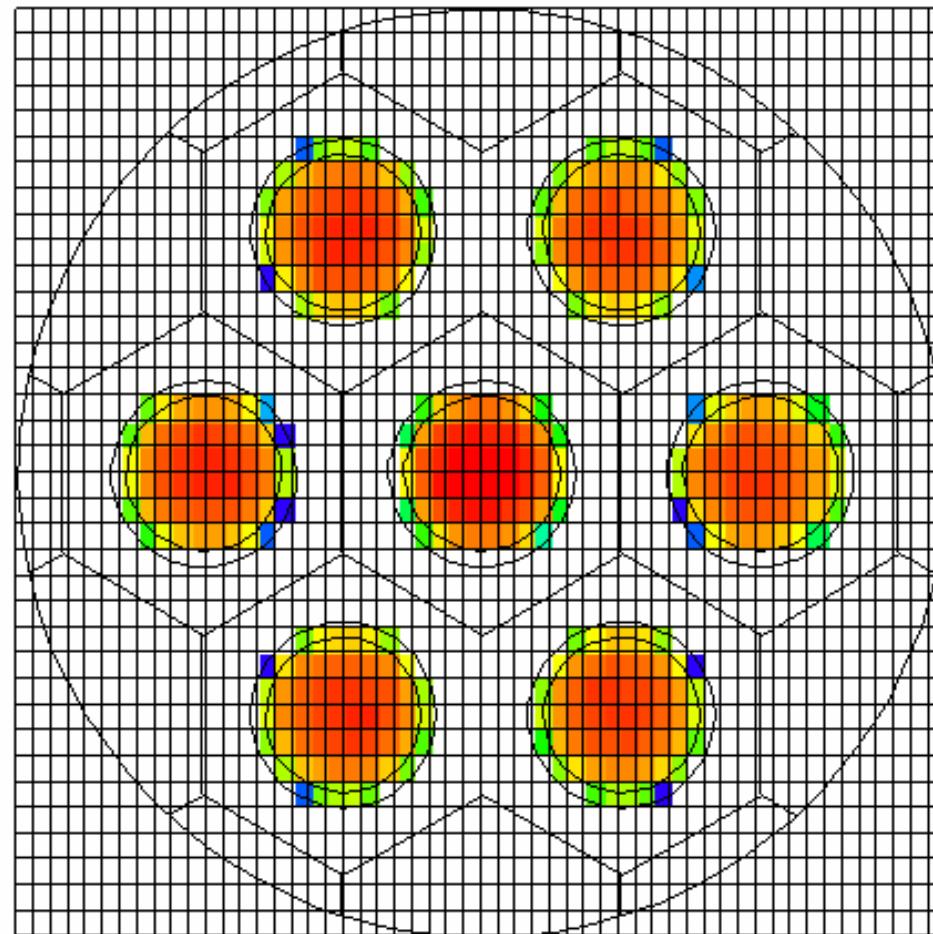
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Edit cel 1  
Cell 1  
xyz = 0.00, 5.00, 0.00  
CURSOR SCALES 0 MT+Cell  
PostScript ROTATE  
COLOR tal12 LEVEL  
XY YZ ZX  
LABEL off off  
MBODY on

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UP RT DN LF Origin .1 .2 Zoom 5.

10 cel  
imp rho den  
vol fcl mas  
put mat  
tmp wwn ext  
pd dxc u  
lat fill ijk  
nonu pac tal  
PAR N



Redraw

Plot>

End

# User-Interface Enhancements

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- Three other miscellaneous improvements
  - READ card
  - HISTP card extension
  - DXTRAN/Detector underflow control



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# User-Interface Enhancements

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```
HEU Cans in a Hex Lattice
READ FILE=cells NOECHO
READ FILE=surfaces
m1    1001 5.7058e-2    8016 3.2929e-2
      92238 2.0909e-3  92235 1.0889e-4
m2    13027 1
m3    7014 .8 8016 .2
kcode 10000 1 10 40
ksrc   0 6 0    18 6 0    -18 6 0     9 6 15
      -9 6 15   9 6 -15   -9 6 -15
tmesh
rmesh12
cora12 -30. 53i 30.
corb12 0. 12.
corc12 -30. 35i 30.
endmd

File "cells"
1 1 -8.4      -1       u=1      imp:n=1
2 0            -2       u=1      imp:n=1
3 2 -2.7      -3 1 2   u=1      imp:n=1
4 3 -.001      3       u=1      imp:n=1
10 3 -.001     -6 lat=2 u=2      imp:n=1
fill=-2:2 -2:2 0:0
2 2 2 2 2
2 2 1 1 2
2 1 1 1 2
2 1 1 2 2
2 2 2 2 2
11 0          -8       imp:n=1 fill=2
50 0          8        imp:n=0

File "surfaces"
1 rcc 0 0 0 0 12 0 5
2 rcc 0 12 0 0 8 0 5
3 rcc 0 -1 0 0 22 0 6
6 rhp 0 -1 0 0 22 0 9 0 0
8 rcc 0 -1 0 0 22 0 30
```



# Physics Enhancements

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- **Four model physics improvements**
  - Mix & match of libraries and models
  - CEM upgrade to version 2K
  - INCL 4/ABLA physics models
  - Secondary-particle production



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# CEM Upgrade (versions 95, 2K, 03)

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```
CEM for 1.2 GeV Protons => Pb
1 1 -11. -1 imp:h 1
2 0      1 imp:h 0

1 so 1.0

mode h n
sdef par=h erg=1200 vec=1 0 0 dir=1
m1 82208 1
phys:h 1300 j 1
phys:n 1300 3j 1
nps 100000
lca   8j 1
f1:n  1
ft1   frv 1 0 0
*c1   175 34i 0
f11:n 1
e11   1. 30log 1200.
f21:h 1
ft21  frv 1 0 0
*c21   175 34i 0
f31:h 1
e31   1. 30log 1200.
```

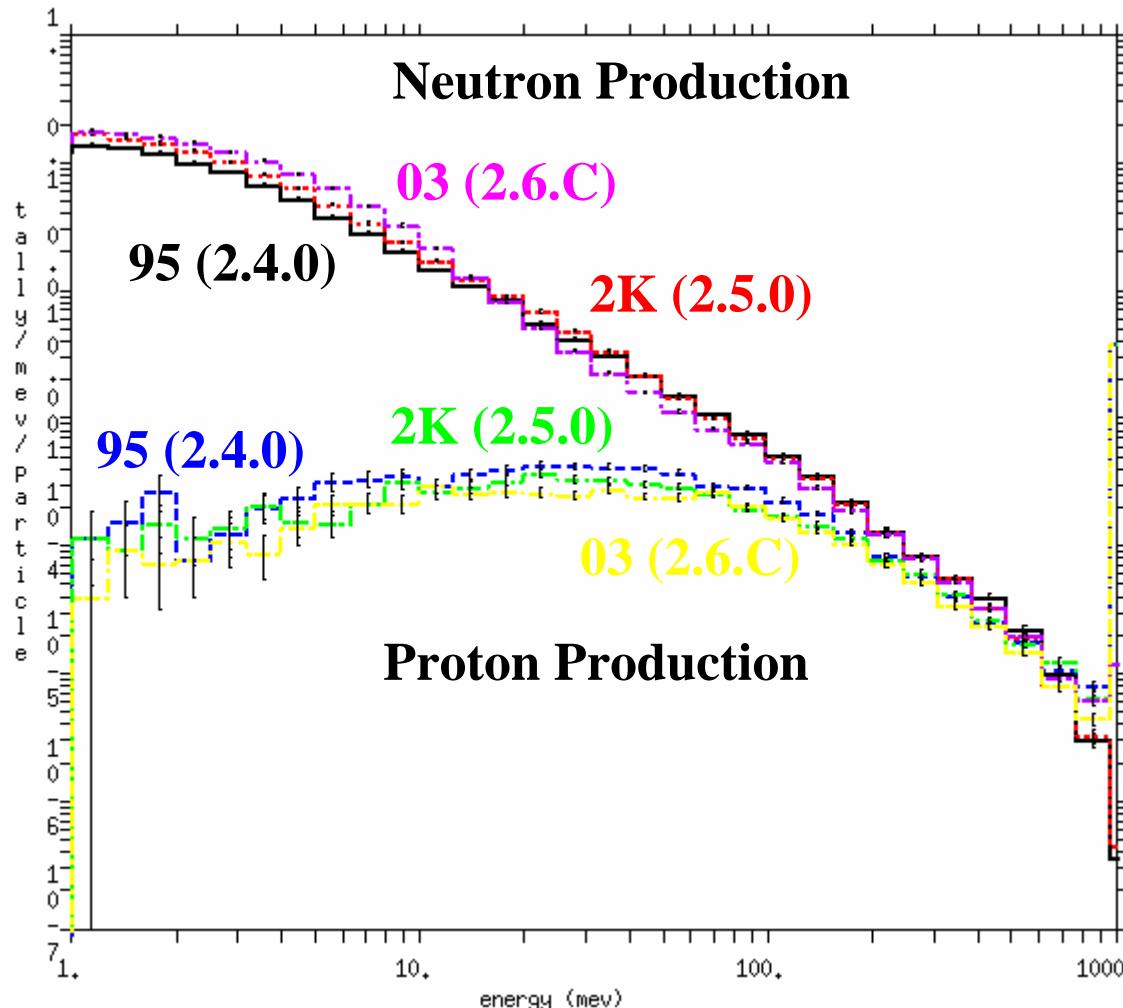


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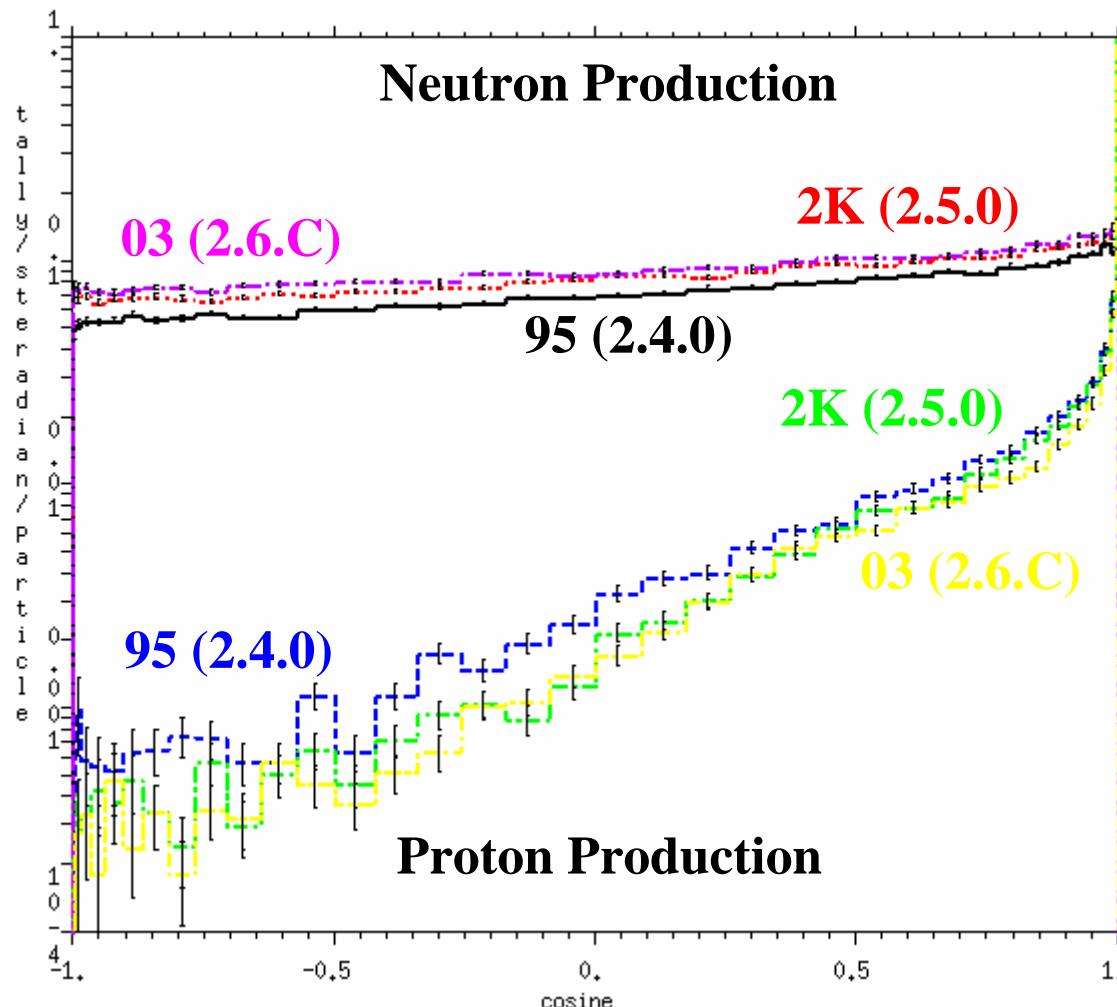
# CEM Upgrade (versions 95, 2K, 03)

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# CEM Upgrade (versions 95, 2K, 03)

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# INCL 4/ABLA Physics Models

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Various Physics Models for 1.2 GeV Protons => Pb

```
1 1 -11. -1 imp:h 1
2 0      1 imp:h 0

1 so .01

mode h n
sdef par h erg=1200 vec 0 0 1 dir 1
m1 82208 1
phys:h 1300 j 0
phys:n 1300 3j 0
nps 100000
f1:n 1
ft1 frv 0 0 1
*c1 167.5 9i 17.5 0 T
e1 1 50log 1300
LCA 7j -2 0      $ Bertini/Dresner

LCA 7j -2 0      $ Bertini/ABLA
LEA 6J 2
LCA 2j 2 4j -2 $ ISABEL/Dresner
LCA 2j 2 4j -2 $ ISABEL/ABLA
LEA 6J 2
LCA 7j -2 2      $ INCL4/ABLA
LEA 6j 2
LCA 7j -2 2      $ INCL4/Dresner
LCA 7j -2 1      $ CEM2K
```

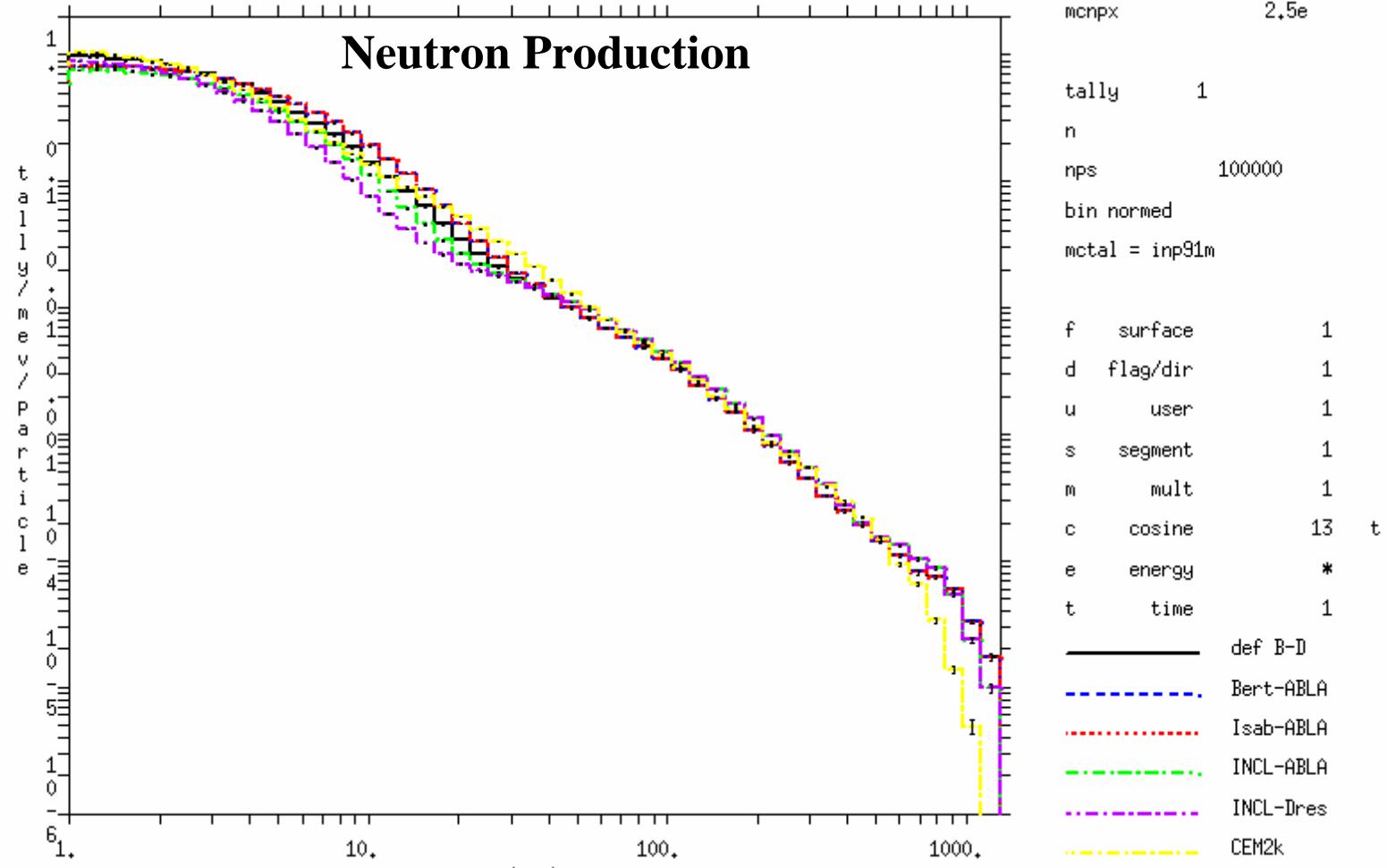


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# Secondary-Particle Production



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# Physics Enhancements

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- Two neutron physics improvements
  - Fission multiplicity
  - $S(\alpha,\beta)$  secondary-energy smoothing



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# Fission Multiplicity

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```
Pu-239 Fission Multiplicity in H2O
1 1 -1.0    -1      imp:n=1
2 0          1      imp:n=0

1 SPH 0 0 0 100

sdef par=sf pos=0 0 0 rad=d1 axs=0 0 1 ext=0
sil 0 90
sp1 -21 1
m1 1001 2 8016 1 94239 1.e-4
phys:n 5j -1
nps 100000
```



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# Fission Multiplicity

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1spontaneous fission source multiplicity and moments.

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----- by number -----				----- by weight -----			
	fissions	fission neutrons	multiplicity fraction		fissions	fission neutrons	multiplicity fraction
nu = 0	1232	0	7.84464E-02	3.62012E-02	0.00000E+00	7.84464E-02	0.0280
nu = 1	3344	3344	2.12926E-01	9.82605E-02	9.82605E-02	2.12926E-01	0.0164
nu = 2	5134	10268	3.26902E-01	1.50858E-01	3.01716E-01	3.26902E-01	0.0129
nu = 3	3984	11952	2.53677E-01	1.17066E-01	3.51199E-01	2.53677E-01	0.0149
nu = 4	1627	6508	1.03598E-01	4.78079E-02	1.91232E-01	1.03598E-01	0.0242
nu = 5	345	1725	2.19675E-02	1.01375E-02	5.06876E-02	2.19675E-02	0.0536
nu = 6	38	228	2.41961E-03	1.11660E-03	6.69958E-03	2.41961E-03	0.1621
nu = 7	1	7	6.36740E-05	2.93841E-05	2.05689E-04	6.36740E-05	1.0000
total	15705	34032	1.00000E+00	4.61477E-01	1.00000E+00	1.00000E+00	0.0059

factorial moments	by number	by weight
nu	2.16695E+00 0.0044	2.16695E+00 0.0044
nu(nu-1)/2!	1.96683E+00 0.0093	1.96683E+00 0.0093
nu(nu-1) (nu-2)/3!	9.38364E-01 0.0176	9.38364E-01 0.0176
nu(nu-1) .... (nu-3)/4!	2.51958E-01 0.0349	2.51958E-01 0.0349
nu(nu-1) .... (nu-4)/5!	3.78223E-02 0.0777	3.78223E-02 0.0777
nu(nu-1) .... (nu-5)/6!	2.86533E-03 0.2071	2.86533E-03 0.2071
nu(nu-1) .... (nu-6)/7!	6.36740E-05 1.0000	6.36740E-05 1.0000



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# Fission Multiplicity

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1spontaneous and induced fission multiplicity and moments.

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----- by number -----				----- by weight -----			
	fissions	neutrons	multiplicity fraction	fissions	neutrons	multiplicity fraction	error
nu = 0	1499	0	5.39713E-02	3.95528E-02	0.00000E+00	6.50562E-02	0.0261
nu = 1	4627	4627	1.66595E-01	1.13595E-01	1.13595E-01	1.86840E-01	0.0145
nu = 2	8169	16338	2.94124E-01	1.87902E-01	3.75804E-01	3.09060E-01	0.0105
nu = 3	7844	23532	2.82422E-01	1.63875E-01	4.91624E-01	2.69540E-01	0.0110
nu = 4	4200	16800	1.51221E-01	7.89230E-02	3.15692E-01	1.29812E-01	0.0162
nu = 5	1212	6060	4.36379E-02	2.06316E-02	1.03158E-01	3.39348E-02	0.0316
nu = 6	208	1248	7.48902E-03	3.28351E-03	1.97011E-02	5.40070E-03	0.0762
nu = 7	13	91	4.68064E-04	1.91773E-04	1.34241E-03	3.15428E-04	0.2943
nu = 8	2	16	7.20098E-05	2.50905E-05	2.00724E-04	4.12687E-05	0.7174
total	27774	68712	1.00000E+00	6.07979E-01	1.42112E+00	1.00000E+00	0.0035
factorial moments		by number		by weight			
nu		2.47397E+00	0.0030	2.33744E+00	0.0034		
nu(nu-1)/2!		2.60927E+00	0.0064	2.32469E+00	0.0069		
nu(nu-1)(nu-2)/3!		1.49388E+00	0.0118	1.24950E+00	0.0124		
nu(nu-1) .... (nu-3)/4!		5.03168E-01	0.0226	3.94425E-01	0.0231		
nu(nu-1) .... (nu-4)/5!		1.02434E-01	0.0502	7.52740E-02	0.0492		
nu(nu-1) .... (nu-5)/6!		1.27817E-02	0.1382	8.76422E-03	0.1290		
nu(nu-1) .... (nu-6)/7!		1.04414E-03	0.4094	6.45578E-04	0.3940		



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# Physics Enhancements

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- Three photon physics improvements
  - Photonuclear physics model
  - Photon Doppler broadening
  - Variance reduction with pulse-height tallies



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# Photonuclear Physics Model

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```
Photonuclear 10 MeV Photons => Pb
1 1 -7.86 -1 imp:n=1
2 0 1 imp:n=0

1 SPH 0 0 0 2

mode n p
sdef par=p erg=10.0
phys:p 3j 1
m1 82208 1
c mxl:p model
nps 1000000
f1:n 1
e1 1e-3 50log 10.

Photonuclear 10 MeV Photons => U-235
1 1 -7.86 -1 imp:n=1
2 0 1 imp:n=0

1 SPH 0 0 0 2

mode n p
sdef par=p erg=10.0
phys:p 3j 1
m1 92235 1
xs1 92235.27u 233.024994 bofod01u 0 1 54868 2946 0 0 0.0
c mxl:p model
nps 1000000
f1:n 1
e1 1e-3 50log 10.
```

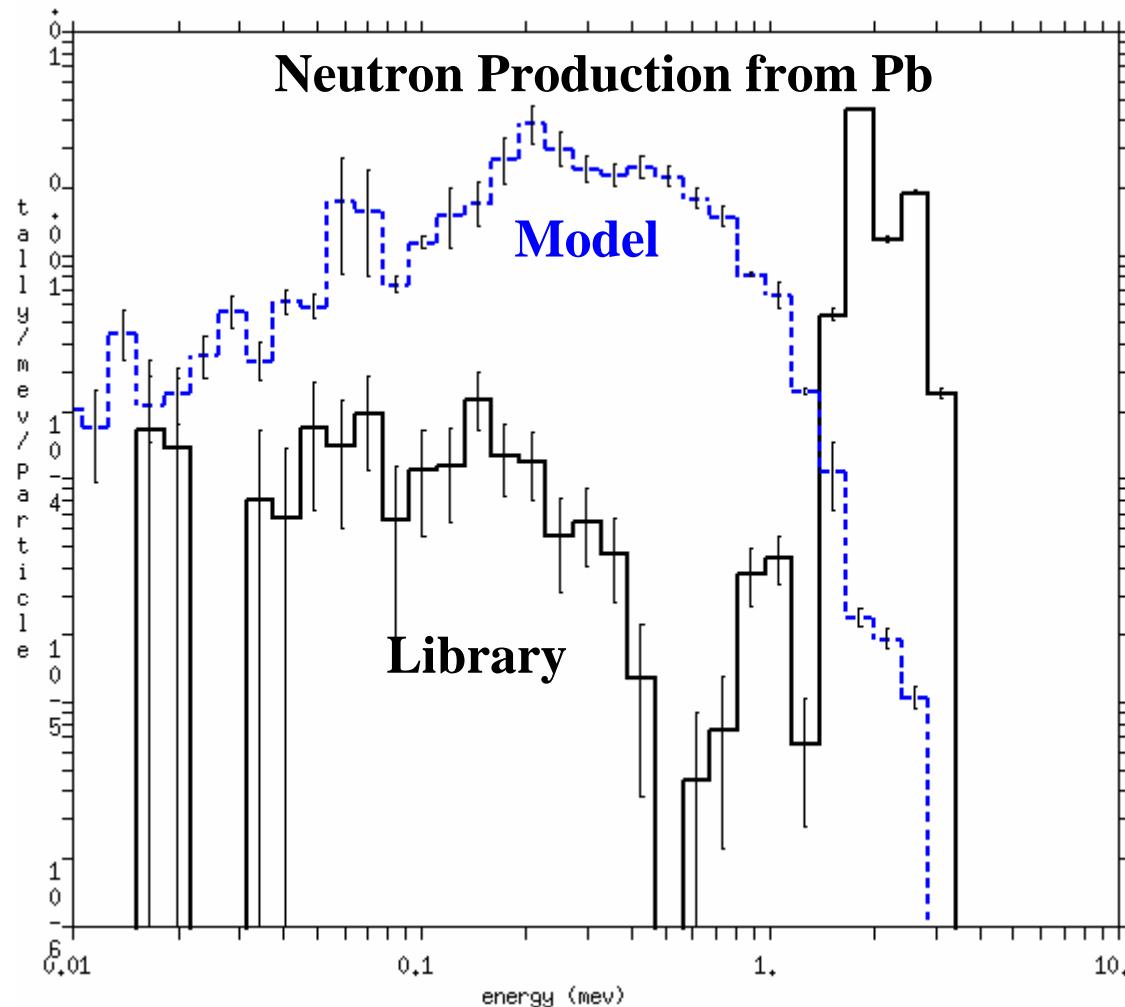


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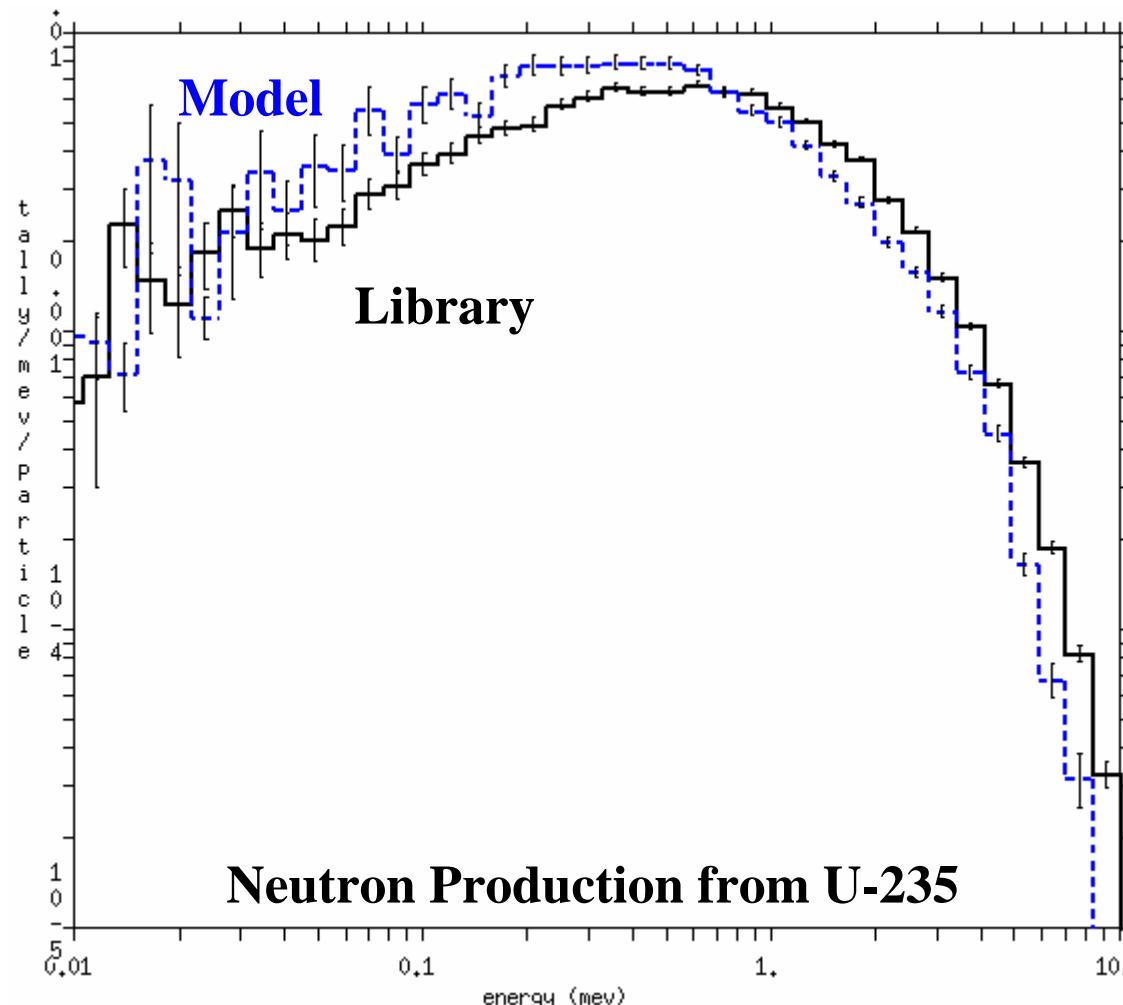
# Photonuclear Physics Model



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# Photonuclear Physics Model



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# Infrastructure Enhancements

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- **8-byte integers**
  - Users can now run billions of particles
  - Often required for parallel calculations
  - Runs about 20% slower on most systems
- **Support for new compilers**
  - Mac OS X with IBM compiler
  - Windows PC and Linux with Intel compiler
- **Parallel processing with MPI**
  - PVM option is still available
- **MPI speedup for criticality problems**
  - Eliminates collection of fission source after each cycle

# Outline

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- MCNPX Summary and Development History
- User Base, Web Site, Development Philosophy
- Physics and Capability Details
- Select 2.5.0 Features
- Future Development



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# Future Development

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- **MCNP 6 and MCNPX 2.6.B merger project**
  - Preserve all capabilities of both codes
  - Complete merger within one year
  - Release merged code as MCNP 6 or MCNP 7
  - MCNPX final version likely 2.6.0
- **Features beyond version 2.6.0**
  - Non-uniform electric and magnetic fields
  - Coupling of secondary particles for library interactions
  - Direct CAD links with spline surface tracking
  - Enhanced visualization tools



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