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**SUBJECT: ELECTRON UPGRADE FOR MCNP4B**

### Abstract:

The focus of this effort was the integration into MCNP\* (ref. 1) of the ITS3.0(ref. 2) radiative and collisional stopping power (refs. 2 and 3) and bremsstrahlung production model (refs. 2, 4, 17, and 18). The integration was achieved with the development of a patch to MCNP4B and a new electron physics library database, EL03 (like EL1). SQA of the patch and database are still ongoing. However, improvements in the stopping power model and bremsstrahlung model are presented. Moreover, in the process of successfully achieving this goal several other related (bremsstrahlung angular distribution models) or otherwise unforeseen problems (electron step-size artifacts or thick target bremsstrahlung production problems) were identified and unfortunately not solved yet since they involve much more work. Several bugs have been found and eradicated.

### Overview:

The memo is organized as follow:

- 0) Background
  - 1) EL03 database. the new database library
  - 2) code modifications for new algorithms to use the new database and other enhancements
    - 2a) radiative stopping power
    - 2b) bremsstrahlung production
    - 2c) density effect
    - 2d) relaxation
    - 2e) variance reduction
    - 2f) bug fixes

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- 3) verification
  - 3a) ITS stopping powers
  - 3b) ITS cross section comparison
  - 3c) Implications
- 4) preliminary validation based upon Gierga and Adams
  - 4a) comparison with Faddegon for bremsstrahlung production
  - 4b) depth dose in water
- 5) future work

**Background:**

In order to perform radiography analysis, accurate transport models are required to define the bremsstrahlung source and contamination in the object. Several authors (refs. 7 - 10, this is list is not meant to be exhaustive nor definitive) have examined the accuracy of various bremsstrahlung models in transport codes (MCNP<sup>1</sup>, ITS<sup>2</sup> and EGS<sup>5</sup>). From these studies, possible deficiencies in MCNP were identified and sought to be corrected. As an example of the results found, figure1

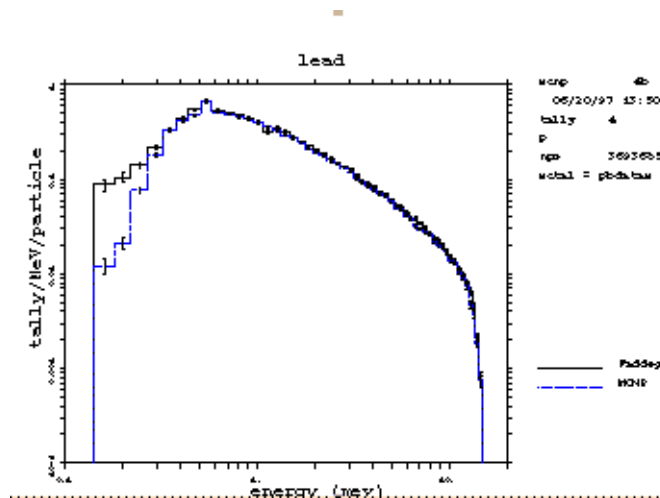


Figure 1: Bremsstrahlung Spectra for 15 MeV electrons on Lead. Calculation (MCNP) and experiment (Faddegon)

displays the bremsstrahlung spectrum for 15 MeV electrons on lead calculated with MCNP4B and measured by Faddegon where spectral variations at low energies are present. Moreover, the electron physics package in MCNP is based mostly on ITS1.0 (ref. 6) physics with an upgrade to ITS3.0 physics for the calculation of energy loss straggling and calculation of the ionization potential. A more complete upgrade would be desired to include more of the ITS3.0 package and/or the database from ref. 11.

### EL03 database

The previous electron evaluation database was stored in library file, EL1. Essentially, this file was a partial rewriting of the ITS1.0 xdata file into a format suitable for reading by MCNP (ACE format.) The initial few words of each data block for a particular Z were peculiar to MCNP but otherwise it just reformatted the data to be read by subroutine getxst for use in the subroutine xsgen with appropriate offsets. As far as I was able to determine there was no processing of the data only rewriting.

Following this philosophy, a code was written to extract and reformat the desired portions of xdata from ITS3.0 and generate the new library file EL03. The code for doing this reprocessing is presented in Appendix A and is available on cfs. The code represents an evolution of what the database needed from its progenitor and could still further evolve.

The following tables are the list of data pointers used in EL03 and EL1 and some explanation of their use. Table 1 lists the nxs array entries. These are mostly lengths of blocks of data. However, nxs(16) now has special meaning and is a flag for using the new its3.0 data and algorithms. Table 2 lists the jxs array. Finally, the crux of the puzzle is the contents of the exs array which is presented in Table 3.

**Table 1: nxs array**

<b>nxs</b>	<b>exposition EL03</b>	<b>EL1</b>
1	length of xss data set	length of xss data set
2	z	z
3	number of radiation stopping power interpolation points	number of radiation stopping power interpolation points
4	number of mott scattering cross section corrections	number of mott scattering cross section corrections
5	number of electron energy points for bremsstrahlung interpolation	number of bremsstrahlung interpolation points
6	number of photon ratio point for bremsstrahlung interpolation	number of bremsstrahlung interpolation points
7	unused	unused
8	unused	unused

**Table 1: nxs array**

<b>nx</b>	<b>exposition EL03</b>	<b>EL1</b>
9	number of interpolation points in the bremsstrahlung database for bremsstrahlung spectrum calculation	unused
10	number of interpolation points in the bremsstrahlung database for angular/energy calculation	unused
11	number of oscillator points for density effect calculation	unused
12	unused	unused
13	unused	unused
14	unused	unused
15	unused	unused
16	3	unused

**Table 2: jxs array exposition**

<b>jxs</b>	<b>EL03</b>	<b>EL1</b>
1	1 (offset for line data)	same
2	offset for radiative stopping power numbers	same
3	offset for Mott cross section corrections	same
4	offset for Riley cross section evaluation	same
5	offset for ITS3.0 bremsstrahlung production database	offset for ITS1.0 bremsstrahlung production database
6	unused	bremsstrahlung production database
7	offset for internally calculated Riley cross sections	same
8	offset for internally calculated functions of Z	same
9	offset for photon energy ratios	unused
10	offset for photon energy ratio for angular distribution	unused
11	offset for oscillator descriptions for density effect calculation	unused

**Table 3: exs array exposition**

<b>exs</b>	<b>EL03</b>	<b>EL1</b>
jxs(1)	K edge below which no electron induced relaxation will occur (renamed for persistence edg)	K edge below which no electron induced relaxation will occur (renamed for persistence edg)
jxs(1)+1	Auger electron emission energy (renamed for persistence eek) $=\bar{E}_K-2\bar{E}_L$	K-x-ray or Auger electron emission energy (renamed for persistence eek) $=\bar{E}_K$
jxs(1)+2	unused	transition point for bremsstrahlung extrapolation model
jxs(1)+3	unused	transition point for bremsstrahlung extrapolation model
jxs(2)	energy points for radiation stopping power interpolation	energy points for radiation stopping power interpolation
jxs(2)+nxs(3)	corresponding normalized stopping powers	corresponding normalized stopping powers
jxs(2)+2*nxs(3)	corresponding electron-electron bremsstrahlung correction ( )	unused
jxs(3)	energy of Mott scattering correction points	
jxs(3)+nxs(4)	$h(\ )$ from eq. (A35) of ref 1 at $=0$	
jxs(3)+2*nxs(4)	$h(\ )$ from eq. (A35) of ref 1 at $= /4$	
jxs(3)+3*nxs(4)	$h(\ )$ from eq. (A35) of ref 1 at $= /2$	
jxs(3)+4*nxs(4)	$h(\ )$ from eq. (A35) of ref 1 at $=3 /4$	
jxs(3)+5*nxs(4)	$h(\ )$ from eq. (A35) of ref 1 at $=$	
jxs(4)	energy of riley set	
jxs(4)+1 to jxs(4)+14	riley scattering cross section parameters at that energy	
repeated 8 more times		

**Table 3: exs array exposition**

<b>exs</b>	<b>EL03</b>	<b>EL1</b>
jxs(5)	electron energy values for interpolation for bremsstrahlung cross section nxs(5) values	energy values for bremsstrahlung interpolation
jxs(5)+nxs(5)	photon energy ratio values for interpolation for bremsstrahlung cross section nxs(6) values	cross section values for interpolation
jxs(5)+nxs(5)+nxs(6)	values for interpolation for bremsstrahlung cross section nxs(5)*nxs(6) values	unused
jxs(6)	unused	energy values for bremsstrahlung interpolation cross section values for interpolation
jxs(7)	used for riley cross section evaluation (2160 float words long) <sup>a</sup>	
jxs(8)	various powers and functions of Z and A (10 floats long, though only three are used as below) <sup>a</sup>	
jxs(8)	$Z^{1/3}$	
jxs(8)+1	$\log(Z)$	
jxs(8)+2	$zf*(1./(1.+zf)+.20206-zf*(.0369-zf*(.0083-zf*.002)))$ where $zf=(Z^*)^{**2}$	
jxs(9)	ratio values of photon energy over electron energy for bremsstrahlung spectrum calculation (renamed for persistence rkt)	
jxs(10)	ratio values of photon energy over electron energy for bremsstrahlung angular distribution calculation (renamed for persistence rka)	

**Table 3: exs array exposition**

<b>exs</b>	<b>EL03</b>	<b>EL1</b>
jxs(11)	number of electrons in each level (occupation number) ( $< 0$ signifying a conductor) used as $f_i = n_i/Z$ .	
jxs(11)+nxs(11)	oscillator strength or binding energy of the level, i.	

a. This explains the 2170 (2160+10) in getxst for the electron offset.

Unfortunately, the electron side of MCNP has its own peculiar way of dealing with its cross section data and storing it. That is, for neutrals, all the transport data are stored in the xss arrays and very few arrays are “hardwired” to reflect the physics manifest in the evaluation. (An example may be the rtc array which is hardwired to store only ten different cross section data.) Moreover, the xss data persists after it has undergone the ordeal of expunging; the exs data are overwritten since the relevant physics data has been processed and then stored in various arrays. As such, we have found that even though the electron portion of MCNP seems like an ideal candidate to become a “module”, it has interspersed its memory management throughout the code.

The problem is simple, the physics data are stored in the database as a reduced set of data over a range where interpolation is valid while it is used in transport on a much finer or at least different scale. The original code had the size of the expanded or internally calculated arrays parameterized and the dynamic allocation of memory was done based on that those parameters. For the new database, the parameterization has been retained but in such a way as to allow for regression compatibility. It is expected that this way of dealing with data structures will be amended in the future, so that the code can readily accept new data evaluations without being constrained to parameterization based on different evaluations.

The parameters used in the electron databases are listed and explained in the following table.



<b>parameter</b>	<b>exposition on parameter</b>	<b>EL03</b>	<b>EL1</b>
mtp*	number of ratio values of photon energy to electron energy for brems production	89	49
mwng*	number of ratio values of photon energy to electron energy for brems detailed brems angular distribution	(mtp+1)/ 2 actually 34 is used; to be replaced by nxs(10)	(mtp+1)/ 2 actually 25
mstp*	coarsening factor for electron energy grid for detailed brems angular distribution	4	8
mpng	number of photon angular bins	21	21
mbng	number of possible photon to electron ratio values from the its3.0	51	unused

\* These parameters have corresponding variables, ntp, nwng, nstp respectively, to toggle between databases.

### Code and Algorithm Modifications

The patch to achieve these changes is presented in Appendix B.

2a) Radiative stopping power.

The ITS3.0 database has a more recent evaluation of the radiative stopping power. To use the evaluation in the code required a few small changes since the effect of electron bremsstrahlung has been included in the database. The stopping power is

$$\frac{dE}{dx} = (Z + ) \text{ rad}$$

The database originally contained a table of energy and  $rad$  with the assumed value of unity for the electron bremsstrahlung contribution, . The new evaluation includes a newer table of energy and  $rad$  as well as .

## 2b) Bremsstrahlung production

The brems production database has been extended to cover a larger range of photon energies. The photon energy from a bremsstrahlung event is specified in terms of a ratio of the incident electron; the range of ratio values is from one to  $10^{-6}$  for the EL03 database while the EL1 range was from 0.9999 to  $10^{-3}$ . The following table gives the ratio values for both databases.

EL1:

rkt=.001,.00125,.0015,.00175,.002,.0025,.003,.0035,.004,  
.0045,.005,.0055,.006,.007,.008,.009,.01,.0125,.015,.0175,.02,  
.025,.03,.035,.04,.045,.05,.055,.06,.07,.08,.09,.1,.125,.15,.175,  
.2,.25,.3,.35,.4,.45,.5,.55,.6,.7,.8,.9,.9999

EL03:

rkt=0.000001,0.0000015,0.000002,0.000003,0.000004,0.000005,  
0.000006,0.000008,0.00001,0.000015,0.00002,0.00003,0.00004,  
0.00005,0.00006,0.00008,0.0001,0.00015,0.0002,0.0003,0.0004,  
0.0005,0.0006,0.0008,0.001,0.00125,0.0015,0.00175,0.002,0.0025,  
0.003,0.0035,0.004,0.0045,0.005,0.0055,0.006,0.007,0.008,  
0.009,0.01,0.0125,0.015,0.0175,0.02,0.025,0.03,0.035,0.04,  
0.045,0.05,0.055,0.06,0.07,0.08,0.09,0.1,0.125,0.15,0.175,0.2,  
0.225,0.25,0.275,0.3,0.325,0.35,0.375,0.4,0.425,0.45,0.475,  
0.5,0.525,0.55,0.575,0.6,0.65,0.7,0.75,0.8,0.85,0.9,0.95,0.97,  
0.99,0.995,0.9995,1.0

The production of bremsstrahlung from an electron of energy,  $E$ , is determined by numerical or analytic integration of the cross section over the above specified ranges of photon energy ratios. Choosing the best cross section for all energies is non-trivial and has evolved over the years\*. For the EL1 database, most of the production cross sections are derived from Koch and Motz (ref. 15 and referred to as K&M hereafter) with some exceptions near the “tip” (the “tip” is the photon phase space near where the photon is extremely forward peaked and has nearly all the incident electron energy.) Berger and Seltzer (ref. 16) describe their best evaluation of which cross sections should be used over various energy ranges. The EL1 database follows that evaluation except for not using the Schiff formula (see ref. 15 for formula).

In the EL03 evaluation or database, the production cross section for bremsstrahlung photons and energy spectra are from the evaluation by Seltzer and Berger (refs. 2, 17, 18 and referred to as S&B collectively hereafter). We summarize the salient features of the evaluation below; more details can be found in the evaluators’ documentation. The evaluation uses detailed calculations of the electron-nucleus bremsstrahlung cross section for electrons with energies below 2 MeV and above 50 MeV. The evaluation below 2 MeV uses the results of Pratt, Tseng, and collaborators, based on numerical phase-shift calculations (refs. 22, 19, and 20). For 50 MeV and above, the analytical theory of Davies, Bethe, Maximom, and Olsen, (DBMO ref. 23) is used and is supplemented by the Elwert Coulomb (ref. 26) correction factor and the theory of the high-frequency limit or tip region given by Jabbur and Pratt (ref. 27). Screening effects are accounted for by the use of Hartree-Fock atomic form factors (ref. 25). The values between these firmly grounded theoretical limits are found by a cubic-spline interpolation as described in refs. 64 and S2. Seltzer reports good agreement between interpolated values and those calculated by Tseng and Pratt (ref. 21) for 5 and 10 MeV electrons in aluminum and uranium. Electron-electron bremsstrahlung is also included in the cross section evaluation based on the theory of Haug (ref. 24) with screening corrections derived from Hartree-Fock incoherent scattering factors (ref. 25). The energy spectra for the bremsstrahlung photons are provided in the evaluation. Finally, the comparisons with experiments presented in S&B indicate the validity of their approach\*\*.

In summary, then, the calculation of the production cross section for bremsstrahlung is given by numerical integration of various formula which reflect the best evaluation at the time of the bremsstrahlung process. For EL1, this integration is done in the code and most of the formula are related back to the review of K&M, while for EL03, the integration and any corrections are done in the evaluation. Consequently, all of subroutine `brem` had to be rewritten for the evaluation of the bremsstrahlung cross section, `pbr`, `spectra`, `eba` for EL03. The new algorithms for the EL03 database are derived from the ITS code which presumably reflect those

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\*We quote from Seltzer and Berger, “Many theories of the bremsstrahlung process have been developed, each with its own approximations, limitations and region of applicability. To obtain accurate cross sections over a wide range of conditions, it is necessary to combine, and to interpolate between, the results of several theories.”

\*\*The validation problems discussed later will eventually be augmented to include this set.

authors' recommended interpolation schemes and have been incorporated in brem since the pbr and eba arrays are used for the calculation of thick target brems.

The detailed angular distribution calculation has been modified only in so far as the resolution of the energy grids has been more refined. For EL1, the angular distribution was

calculated for electrons with energies  $E_n = \frac{E_{max}}{2^n}$  with n being a positive integer. (Recall that

electron transport parameters are calculated on an energy grid with  $E_n = \frac{E_{max}}{2^{n/8}}$ .) For EL03,

$E_n = \frac{E_{max}}{2^{n/2}}$ . Moreover, for EL1 the photon ratios used every other ratio value in the

production evaluation. For EL03, the ratios are read from the database and are fewer than every other. (Presumably every other could be used for EL03 or even every one. However, this is what ITS does.) The angular distribution is determined by numerical integration of several formulas from K&M using these electron energy values and photon energy ratios. Consequently, the modifications to subroutine brang have been minimal. As a passing note, it is not apparent that 2BS is used in the angular distribution calculation in brang though one may have expected it to be used from ref. 16. It might be speculated that this may account for some of the differences seen between EGS and MCNP.

In MCNP, brems production is sampled along an electron substep. The probability of an event(s) occurring in a distance d is  $1 - e^{-\lambda_{brem} d}$ , with the number of events being sampled from a Poisson distribution. If the probability of an event occurring is small, then only the first non-zero term in the Taylor expansion of the probability is kept and used to sample if one and only one event has occurred. This is the procedure used in MCNP for EL1. For EL03, the sampling has been modified to sample from the Poisson distribution so that zero, one or more events could occur, though two or more are extremely infrequent. The electron's energy is decremented after each event and used to scale the energy of the photon from the next event. This procedure is consistent with the method employed by ITS3.0.

## 2c) Density Effect Correction

The stopping power has a correction term to account for the polarization of the media through which the charged particle passes. Sternheimer, Berger and Seltzer (ref. 14 and referred to as SBS) have given a method to calculate the density correction in ref. sbs in terms of the plasma

frequency of the media, the oscillator strengths and occupation numbers given by Carlsson (ref. 28), and the ionization potential of the media. The method finds an adjustment factor, r, which gives the ionization potential for the media at the specified density from their eq. (10) where I is

$$\ln I = \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} f_i \ln \left[ (h \nu_i) + \frac{2}{3} f_i (h \nu_p)^2 \right]^{1/2} + f_n \ln (h \nu_p f_n^{1/2})$$

the ionization potential of the medium (consistent with the prescriptions of ref. 10), h is Planck's constant,  $f_i$  is the fraction of electrons at that level,  $\nu_i$  is the oscillator frequency of that level,  $\nu_p$  is

the plasma frequency of the medium ( $\nu_p = \frac{ne^2}{m_e}$ ) and n is the number density of electrons in

the medium). The adjustment factor is found in subroutine den1 using a newton search method; for high density materials the newton search method may fail and the code will issue a warning and nullify the density effect correction; this is consistent with the fundamental theory of the density effect. Once the parameter has been found, it is used in subroutine den2 to calculate the density effect correction as specified by Eq. (5) in sbs

$$(\nu) = \sum_{i=1}^n f_i \ln \left[ \frac{l_i^2 + l^2}{l_i^2} \right] - l^2 (1 - l^2)$$

where  $l_i^2 = \frac{2}{3} f_i + \frac{\nu_i^2}{\nu_p^2}$  and for conductors the nth level has,  $l_n^2 = f_n$  and the parameter, l, is the solution of eq. (6) of sbs.

$$\frac{1}{2} - 1 = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{f_i}{l^2 + \{(\nu_i) / \nu_p\}^2}$$

Previously, MCNP used the published empirical fit formula of Sternheimer and Peierls (ref. 15). The method described in sbs is an improvement upon the sp fit formula as discussed in sbs.

For the sbs treatment, the conduction state of the material is needed which is specified with cond=0 for a non-conductor, and cond=1 for a conductor; any non-conducting isotopes in a conductor are handled as non-conductors. The user can specify this on the m card with the keyword cond. The code will provide defaults which the user can override for the specification of a non-conductor with cond=-1 on the m card. The scheme is:

initially - cond=0 (non-conductor)

in range -

check if all isotopes are conductors and set cond=1 if cond=0

check that there is at least one conducting isotope is present if cond=1, if not set cond=0

if cond=-1 override any prior decision on the conduction state and make non-conductor cond=0.

The density effect calculation has a problem for materials of a single element or Z but specified with multiple isotopes or ZAIDs. This is traced to the implementation of Eq. (10) of sbs and the ionization sum rule of ICRU 37 (ref. 10). ITS has changed that implementation slightly. Making it consistent with the above rules and such that the same answer is obtained regardless of isotopic specification worsens the verification discussed later. We note this as a problem.

## 2d) Relaxation

Relaxation has been a problem in MCNP. There are two algorithmic branches for an atom to relax after undergoing an ionizing event depending upon the source of the ionizing event. If the source of the ionization was a photon the atom's relaxation will be described using the model of Carter and Cashwell (ref. 29) where the major K and L line photons may be emitted or an Auger electron with energy  $exs(jxs(1))$  which has been stored in eek for that material. If the source of ionization was an electron then if the atom fluoresces the photon will have only an average K energy given by eek; Auger transitions are treated the same. Under many circumstances, these approximations would not be too conflicting. However, there is an inconsistency, that fluorescent radiation will be emitted with different lines. To remedy the inconsistency, relaxation from an ionizing event has been combined into a single subroutine, flaug, called by either colidp or kxray as needed. Most of flaug is similar to the relaxation code in colidp except for mostly bookkeeping changes needed to accommodate calls from kxray. The only other physics change needed in flaug for a call from kxray is that the atom is required to relax either through an Auger transition or fluorescence; for a photoionization the atom is not required to Auger or fluor (presumably it relaxes through lower energy transitions neglected in our models.) The arguments of flaug are the energy of the ionizing quanta, the photon energy for a photoionization or max K shell energy,  $edg*1.0001$  (1.0001 prevents any round-off problems), the isotope undergoing the interaction (the highest Z isotope for kxray), the material identifier, and a flag for electron or photon ionization event.

Since, eek is not used any longer as the energy given to either a kxray fluor photon or Auger electron, its value has been lowered to the more probable value (used in the POEM code of

ref. 30 and derived by inspection from ref. 31) of  $E_A = E_K - 2E_L$  as compared to the previous value of  $E_A = E_K$  and is used only to give the value of Auger transition electron.

This model is still quite crude and approximate though no longer inconsistent. Further improvements will be discussed later.

## 2e) Variance reduction

The variance reduction discussed in this section pertains to brems production only. There are two or techniques for brems production:

### 1) bbrem

Bias the brems photons produced toward higher energies.

### 2) bnum

Produce bnum more photons.

For EL03, the format of the bbrem card has not been changed to allow for backwards compatibility. The entries on the bbrem card are mtop\_EL1=49 biasing numbers for the production of photons followed by cell numbers where the biasing will be applied. For EL03, the number of relative photon energy bins is larger so to allow compatibility with the previous bbrem card, the biasing probabilities over the low energy photon bins from the card are linearly interpolated over the low energy bins in EL03.

In MCNP, when bnum was invoked on the phys:e card, bnum identical photons were generated from a brems event with wgt=wgt/bnum. For photon thin problems, such a biasing scheme is not effective and for thick problems, it may be of only marginal help. The more common method (refs. 32 and 2) is to sample the production distribution bnum times using the same reduced weight for each photon. The sampling is done in a do loop bnum times over the full Poisson sampling of events. Note for bnum<1, the sampling of energy loss is done once but photons may or may not be produced based on bnum+rang() being zero or one. The sampling of several different photons with reduced weights has been shown to be more effective in photon thin problems (Gierga and Adams). There is a question as to how to deal with the energy loss from the more numerous and different pseudo events. For bnum>0, the first sampling of the photon(s) energy is used to calculate the energy loss. For bnum<0, the average of all photons produced is used to calculate the energy loss. The first method does not conserve energy, but more properly gives the straggling contribution of radiative energy loss. The second method more nearly

conserves energy and gives the CSDA energy loss more closely at the expense of the straggling. The latter method was the one used by Gierga and Adams in their report.

Finally, for any bnum scheme to be effective the number of secondary electrons generated must be controlled; secondary electrons take up most of the time in transport calculations. Controlling the number of secondary electrons generated is done with the enum entry on the phys:e card. The default has been one regardless of the value on the bnum card. This has been changed to scale the production down by the inverse of the number of photons produced;  $enum=1/bnum$ . The user can override this default setting.

Another vr scheme suggested by R. A. Forster is to have a brems occur on each substep. This scheme is done when the tenth entry, numb, on the phys:e card is non-zero. On each substep only one photon is produced with weight equal to the probability of an interaction on that substep. If this was a real interaction, then the energy loss is calculated and applied to the electron. The subsequent photons generated in the Poisson sampling are given the nominal, unreduced weight. In this scheme, enum is arbitrarily set to 1%.

## 2f) Bug fixes

The primary bug has to do with how the electron (charged particle) algorithms handle materials described with isotopic decomposition. The ionization potential has a factor of 1.13 applied to it when the material is a mixture of different elements. However, a pure material, i.e. composed of one type of atom, may be described with its isotopic decomposition and erroneously have the factor of 1.13 applied to the potential. To correct this each isotope is checked to see if its Z is different, if not the factor of 1.13 is not applied. Clearly, more work needs to be done here, since trace elements may be included which should not effect the ionization potential.

This isotopic decomposition bug also appears in the new density effect calculation. The fit parameter calculated from Eq. (10) of sbs is different for single ZAID and composite ZAID materials. This is because when Eq. (10) is calculated in den1 it uses a different elemental weighting scheme than used for the calculation of the ionization potential. Since we obtain excellent agreement with ITS on materials, we note this discrepancy; it is usually an error of 0.1%, though can be larger.

Another related bug is in the determination of the kxray production probability. The atom fraction of the first highest Z isotope is used. If several isotopes of the same Z were present, then the probability is too low. This has been corrected to use the sum of the atom fractions of all the highest Z isotopes

Turning off kxray production was not done when xnum=0 on the phys:e card. The test has been changed from “.gt.” to “.ge.” in subroutine xsген. Moreover, there appears to be a special treatment for  $xnum < 0$  where the probability, d, of kxray production for an electron is calculated for the electron till it has gone below cutoff. This would be the probability of kxray production over the full electron range. For  $xnum < 0$  the probability is scaled by  $|xnum|/d$ . This treatment of biasing raises a point of discussion related back to the bnum treatment.



### **3) Verification**

There exist no analytic problems against which to verify the correctness of the physics or variance reduction models implemented in the code. However, since the database for stopping powers and bremsstrahlung cross sections has been adapted from an existing code system, ITS3.0, verifying the correctness of the implementation will be obtained by comparing to that code system.

#### 3a) Stopping powers

Stopping powers are calculated and printed in the MCNP print table 85 and in the output from ITS code xgenp. Relative differences in ionizing and radiative stopping powers normalized to the ITS values for  $Z=1$  to 92 over the energy range of 1 keV to 1 GeV are presented

in Fig. 2 (ionizing), Fig. 3 (density effect), Fig. 4(radiative). Generally, the agreement is to four

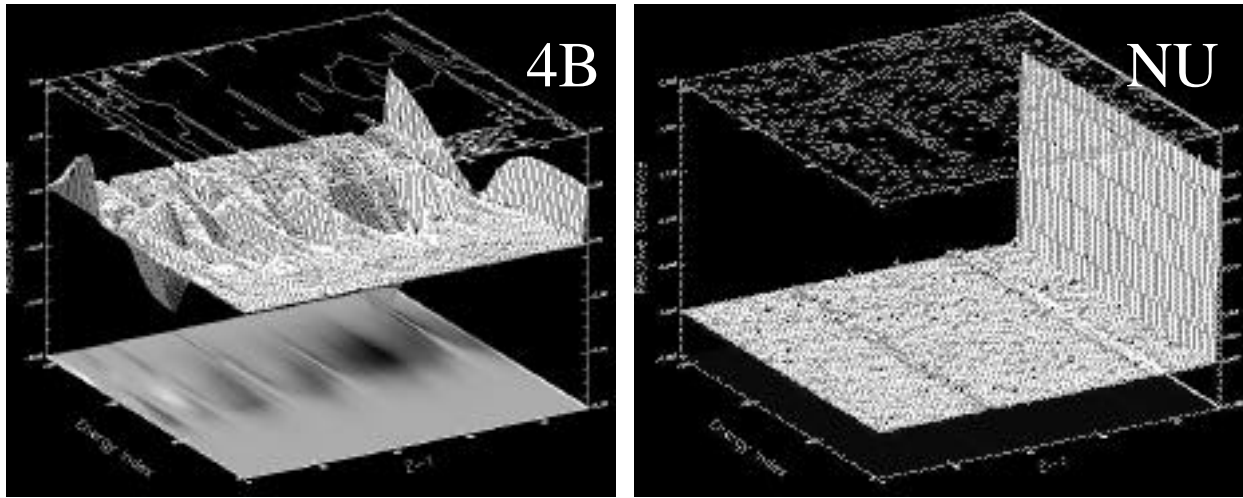


Figure 2: Relative differences between ionizing stopping powers from ITS3.0 and MCNP4B (4B) and ITS3.0 and MCNP4BNU (NU) all normalized to ITS3.0 for  $Z=1$  to 92 from 1 keV to 1 GeV.

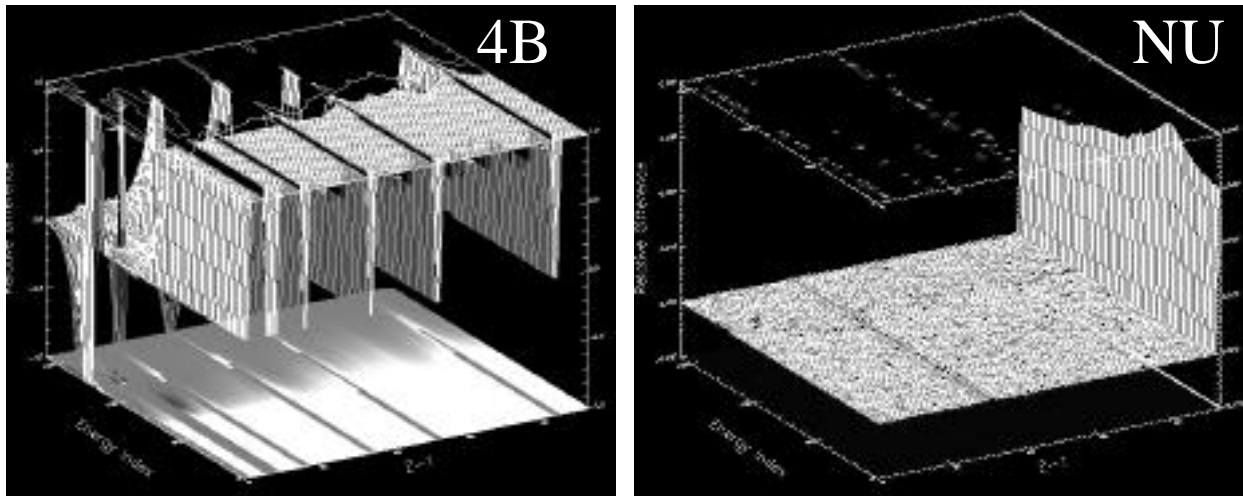


Figure 3: Relative differences between density effect corrections from ITS3.0 and MCNP4B (4B) and ITS3.0 and MCNP4BNU (NU) all normalized to ITS3.0 for  $Z=1$  to 92 from 1 keV to 1 GeV.

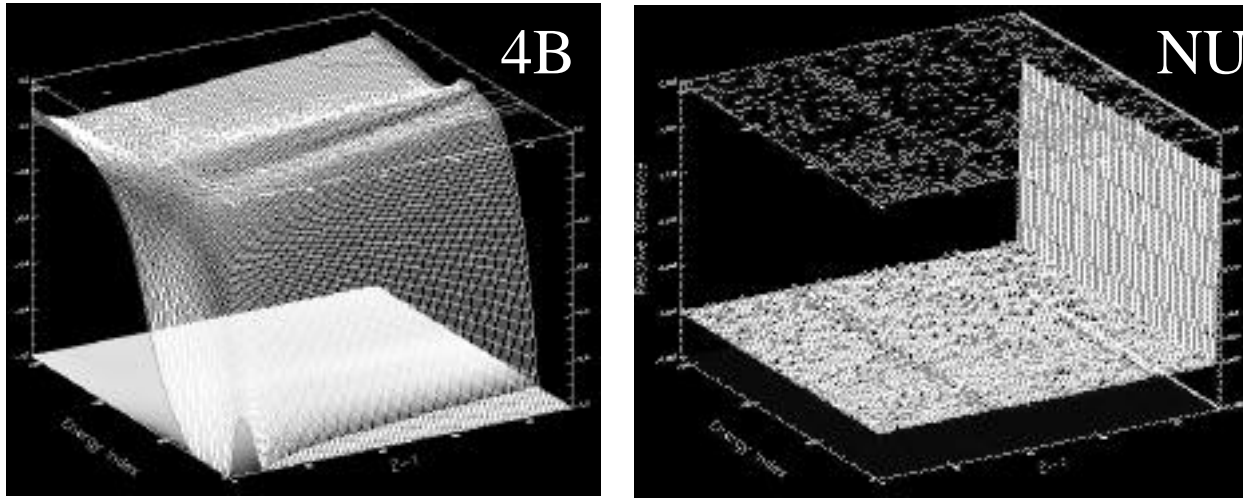


Figure 4: Relative differences between radiative stopping powers from ITS3.0 and MCNP4B (4B) and ITS3.0 and MCNP4BNU (NU) all normalized to ITS3.0 for  $Z=1$  to 92 from 1 keV to 1 GeV.

significant figures and this level of agreement is satisfactory since the fundamental constants and atomic weights in ITS are slightly different from those in MCNP. The only problem material is Pu where the ITS atomic weight is significantly different than MCNP (and most standard tables.) Changing the atomic weight and modifying the constants in MCNP cause the stopping powers to be in agreement to four significant figures.

The stopping powers for materials was also verified. Using the materials of ICRU 37 and a few extra to span composites of a wide range of  $Z$ 's, the same comparisons were done.

Figure 5 shows the comparison of the collisional or ionizing stopping powers. Figure 6 shows the

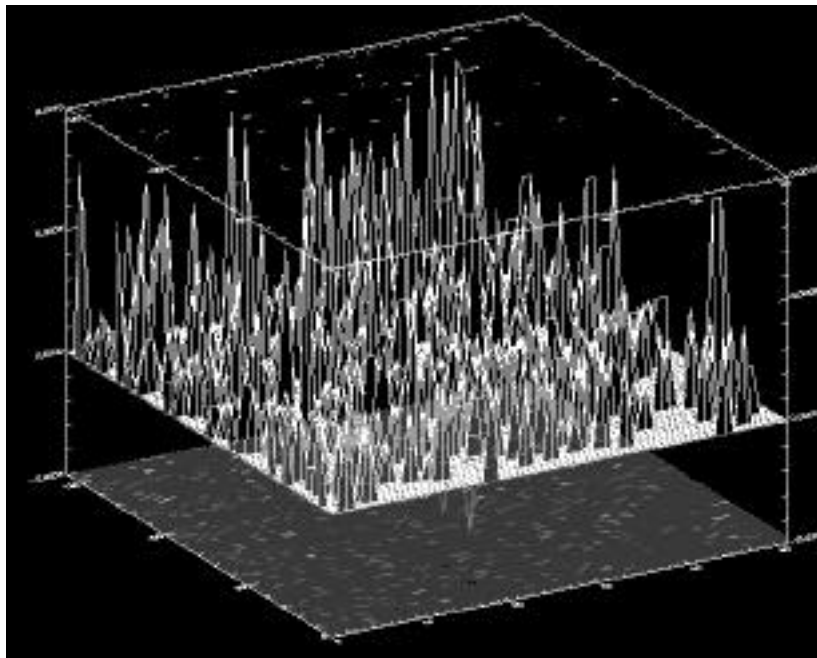


Figure 5: Relative differences between ionizing stopping powers from ITS3.0 and MCNP4BNU all normalized to ITS3.0 for a wide range of materials from 1 keV to 1 GeV.

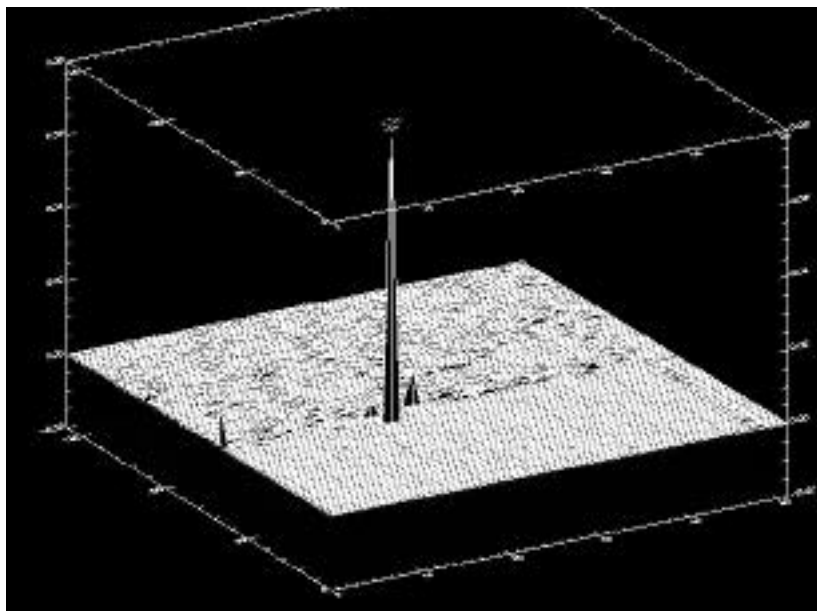


Figure 6: Relative differences between density effect from ITS3.0 and MCNP4BNU all normalized to ITS3.0 for a wide range of materials from 1 keV to 1 GeV.

density effect correction comparison and Figure 7 shows the radiative stopping power

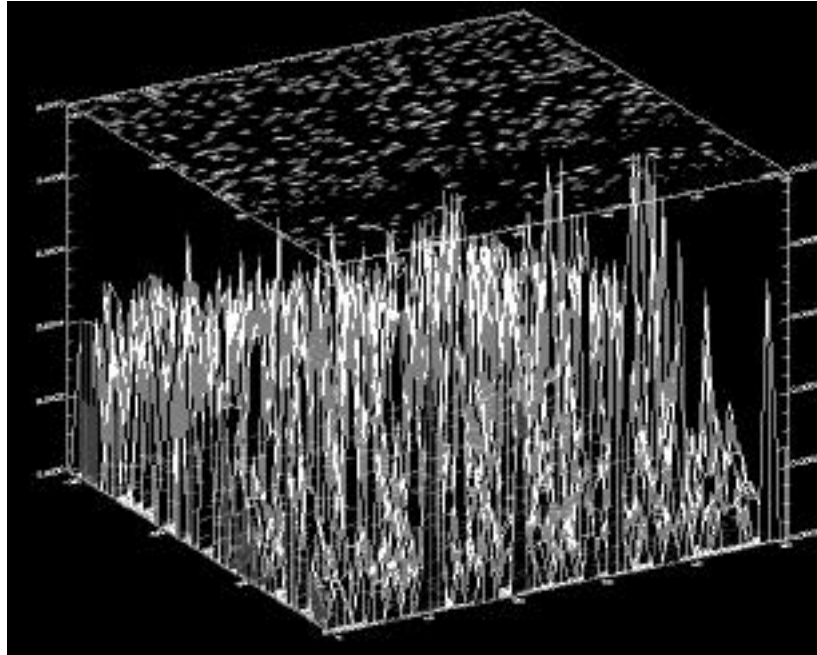


Figure 7: Relative differences between radiative stopping powers from ITS3.0 and MCNP4BNU all normalized to ITS3.0 for a wide range of materials from 1 keV to 1 GeV.

comparison. Once again the results are all within four significant figures except for a spike in the density effect calculation. This spike was for a very small correction which was near zero for both codes and so does not represent any significant problem.

In the patch, the bremsstrahlung production cross section array, pbr, the energy spectrum array, eba, and detailed angular distribution array, ech, are printed to separate files for debugging and verification purposes. H. G. Hughes maintains a version of the ITS3.0 code system where these arrays are printed to output files from the ITS3.0 cross section generating code xgenp. For all the elements for  $Z=1$  to 92 and over the energy range of 1 keV to 1 GeV, the average relative error in the “pbr” array is  $10^{-6}$ , in the spectra,  $10^{-6}$ , and in the angular distribution array,  $10^{-6}$ . The maximum for pbr is  $10^{-5}$ . For the “eba” array, the maximum relative difference is  $10^{-4}$  and is in the first bin which is typically a small number. For ech the maximum relative difference is  $10^{-2}$  again for the same reason as for eba. Since the ITS3.0 code has changed the angular distribution calculation only cosmetically, we have not changed our routine yet. Though it is recommended that these changes be made when the angular distributions are revised since the coding is more readable and easily related back to fundamental equations. Such revisions would make the inclusion of 2BS in the sampling scheme more straightforward.

The patch also uses an adapted cubic spline fitting routine in correspondence with ITS3.0. The sampling algorithms are in agreement except for the sampling of the angular distribution. The patch includes what is needed to obtain exact ITS agreement though either method is valid.

The EL03 bremsstrahlung cross sections stored in the pbr array are displayed in figure 8. The same array for EL1 is also shown in figure 8. The curves are significantly different. Part of

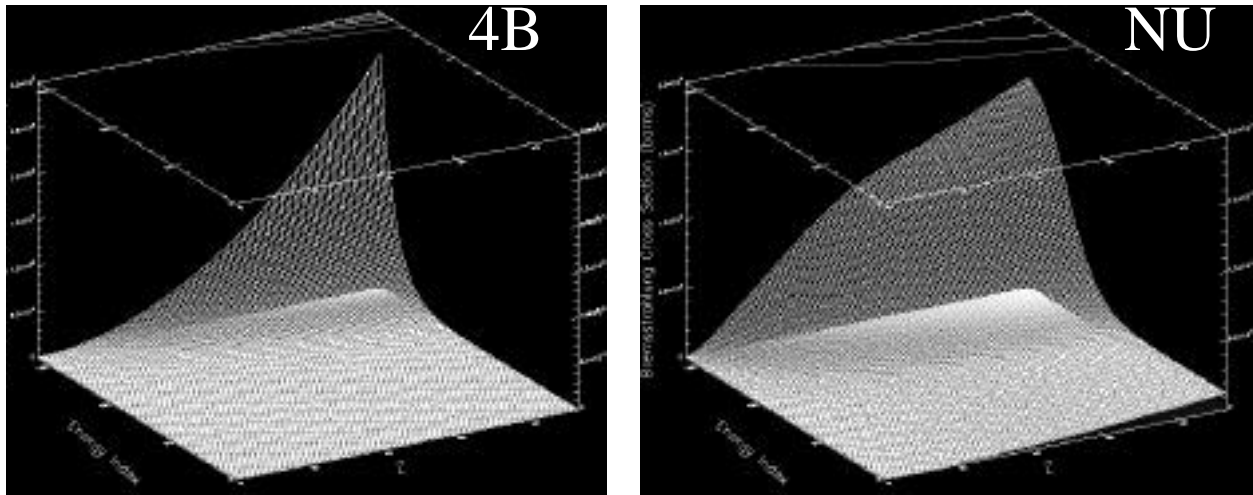


Figure 8: Bremsstrahlung production cross sections (pbr array) from MCNP4B (4B) and MCNP4BNU (NU) for Z=1 to 92 from 1 keV to 1 GeV.

the difference, as noted above, is that the EL03 database and the EL1 database have different lower limits of the photon energy for which the cross section was calculated. Symbolically, pbr for an electron of kinetic energy, T, is given by the following equation where the minimum photon

$$pbr(T) = \int_{k_{min}}^T \frac{d}{dk} dk$$

energy is kmin. Moreover, knowing that the eba array is the cumulative probability of producing a photon with energy between k/T and kmin/T, a scaling relation between the pbr arrays of the two databases would be

$$pbr_{el1}(T) = pbr_{el3w}(T)(1 - eba(0.001))$$

where  $eba(0.001)$  is the value of the  $eba$  at that ratio. Thus a fairer comparison is between a scaled  $pbr$  for EL03 and EL1. Figure 9 shows the relative difference between the scaled EL03 and EL1

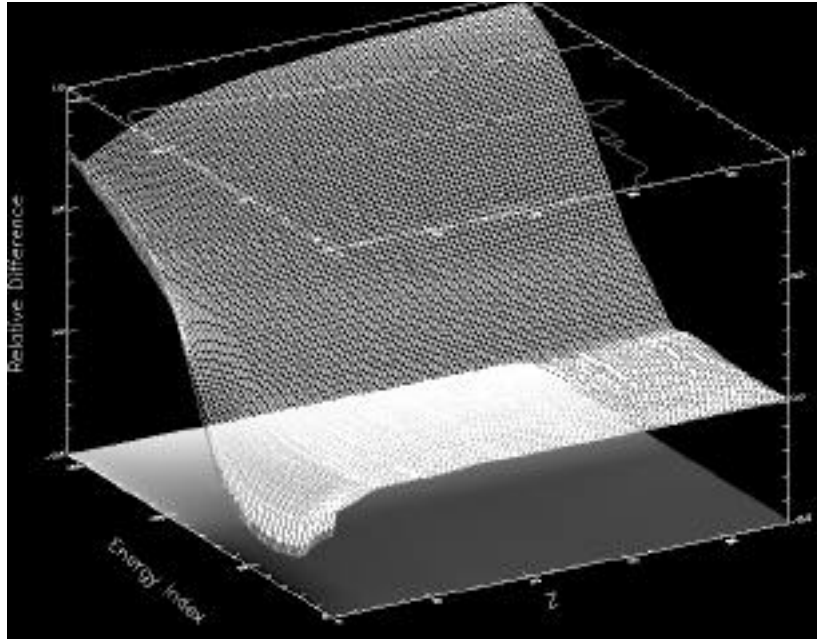


Figure 9: Scaled Bremsstrahlung production cross section relative differences between MCNP4B and MCNP4BNU for  $Z=1$  to 92 from 1 keV to 1 GeV normalized to MCNP4B. For low energies the differences are quite large and show that EL1 had a very large low energy electron bremsstrahlung cross section.

At this level the algorithms for stopping power calculation and the bremsstrahlung production cross sections have been verified for all the elements and many representative materials over the energy range of 1 keV to 1 GeV. This level of verification meets or exceeds the verification standard of EL1 and MCNP4A.

#### Implications:

Several problems have been suggested that show that the EL1 model needed to be updated. Some of the problems still persist, however, improvements have been made. We have considered three energy ranges of problems for geometries similar to nominal converter foils.

The first is a low energy problem suggested by Newton Scientific. 20 keV electrons are normally incident on a 0.001cm W foil. The bremsstrahlung spectrum is tallied. Figure 10

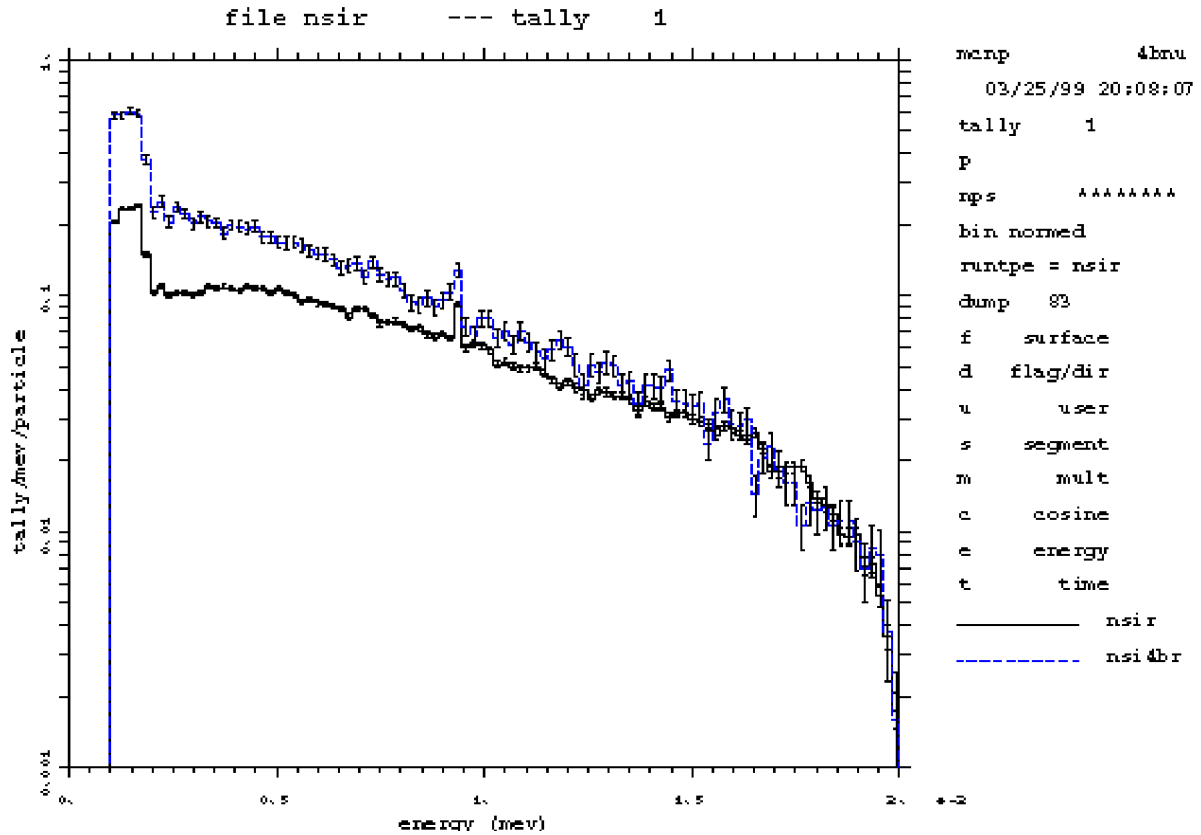


Figure 10: Bremsstrahlung spectra for 20 keV electron incident on 0.001 cm of W calculated with MCNP4B (nsi4br) and MCNP4BNU (nsir).

shows the spectrum calculated with 4bnu (the patched 4b which passed all the MCNP test problems) for the EL1(4b in the plots) and EL03 (4bnu in the plots) databases. The differences are quite large. In fact the 4b appears to have the M lines which of course it cannot. The 4bnu result is much less intense and more consistent with the NSI ITS calculation.

Higher in energy J. V. Siebers proposed a simple machine head model of a W/Cu slab. 6 MeV electrons are normally incident. He has noted that the bremsstrahlung yield downstream depends on the maximum energy of the spectrum. We have not addressed that problem yet but note that it also apparent in the ITS codes. Table JV shows the results of a calculation for that problem with two choices of EMAX (the first entry on the phys:e card). The total bremsstrahlung generated from the summary tables shows a 0.12% difference which is beyond the statistical bounds one would expect. The tally which scores the forward yield about a 1m from the converter



packs show a much larger variation. Even 4bnu has not answered this problem, however we do see that the yield is more forward directed by about 1%. Another implication apparent in this problem is inconsistency of the relaxation spectra as seen in Figure 11 where 4bnu has removed

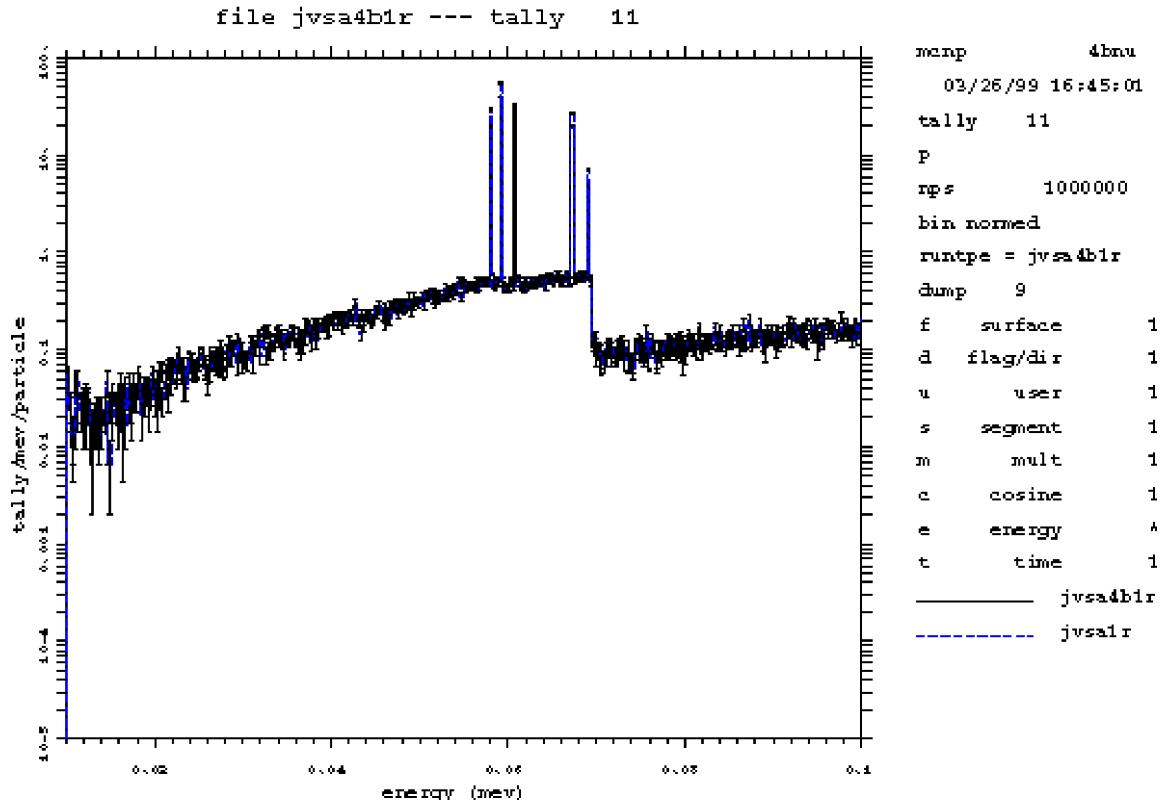


Figure 11: Bremsstrahlung and line spectra calculated with MCNP4B (jvsa4b1r) and MCNP4BNU (jvsa1r). The anomalous line has been removed in the EL03/4BNU calculation.

the anomalous line at 60.69 keV.

code	EMAX=100		EMAX=6	
mcnp4b				
bremsstrahlung	41622998	4.1623E+00	41551441	4.1551E+00
tally in forward cone	5.29151E-02	0.0014	5.15433E-02	0.0014
mcnp4bnu				
bremsstrahlung	41362833	4.1363E+00	41283862	4.1284E+00
tally in forward cone	5.35427E-02	0.0014	5.21917E-02	0.0014

Finally, at high energies, A. E. Schah von Wittenau suggested a typical converter foil 0.1 cm of W with 85.0 MeV electrons normally incident. The spectra calculated with the two different databases are presented in Fig. 12. The EL03 (not labeled asvw4br) results are all

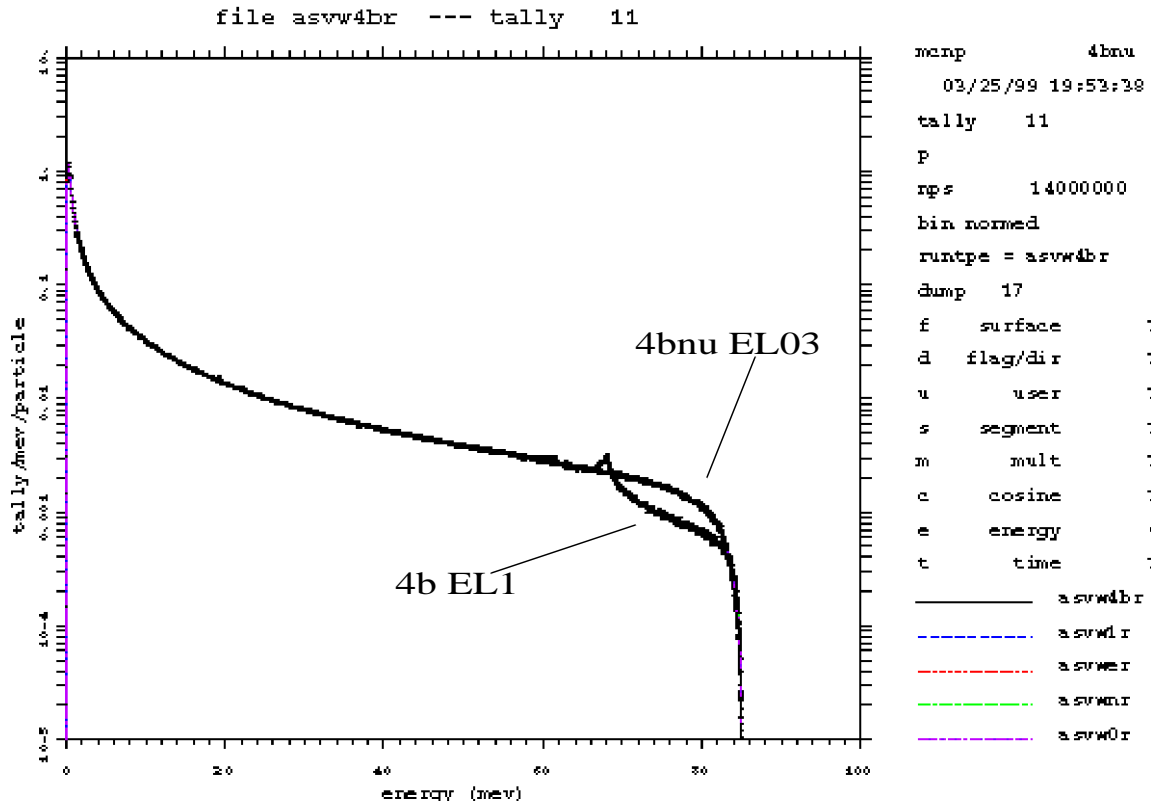


Figure 12: Bremsstrahlung spectra calculated with MCNP4B (asvw4br) and MCNP4BNU (others) for 85 MeV electrons incident on 0.1 cm W. Various variance reduction methods were tested giving nominally the same results.

smoother than the EL1. The notches in the 4b calculation are probably due to non-smooth model transitions; 4bnu by definition is immune to such artifacts. All these problems except for asvw0 were run with some variance reduction. asvw1 has the new bnum biasing, asvwe is the same except W is made of its isotopic constituents, asvwn uses the numb biasing, asvw4b uses the old

bnum scheme. Fig 13 shows the spectra calculated with bbrem being used for asvw1 (labeled

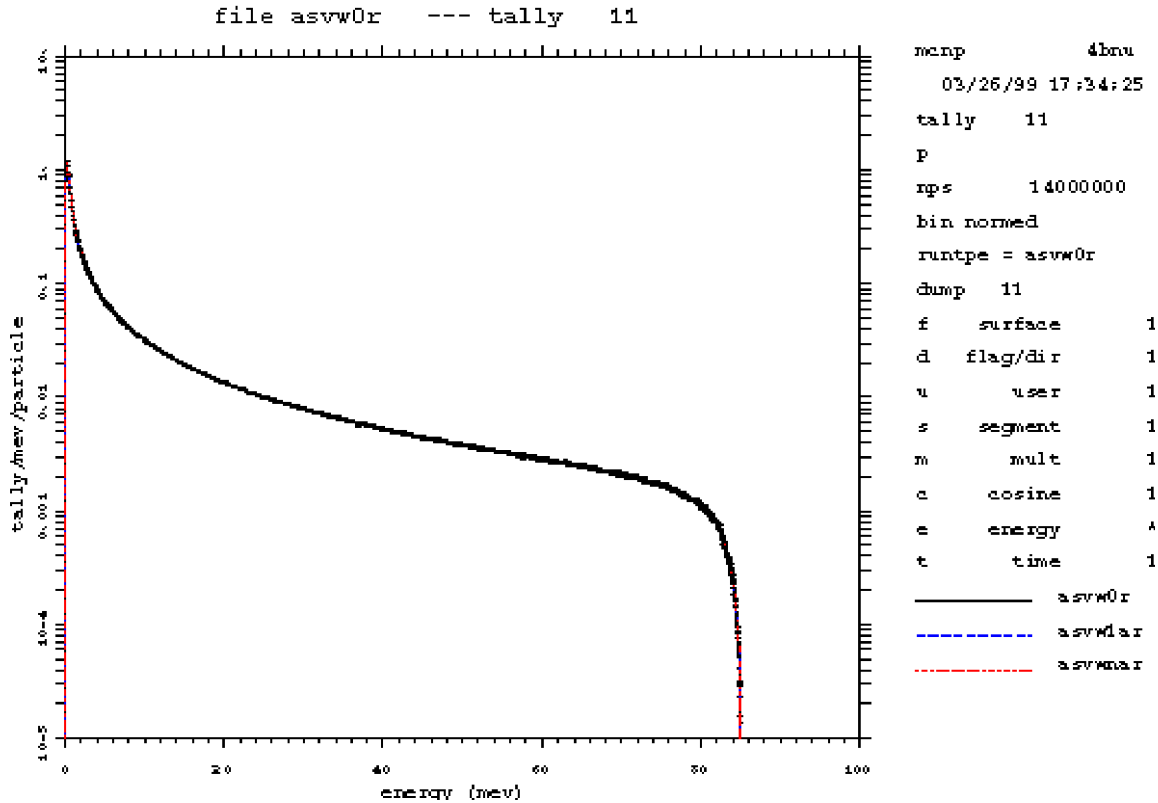


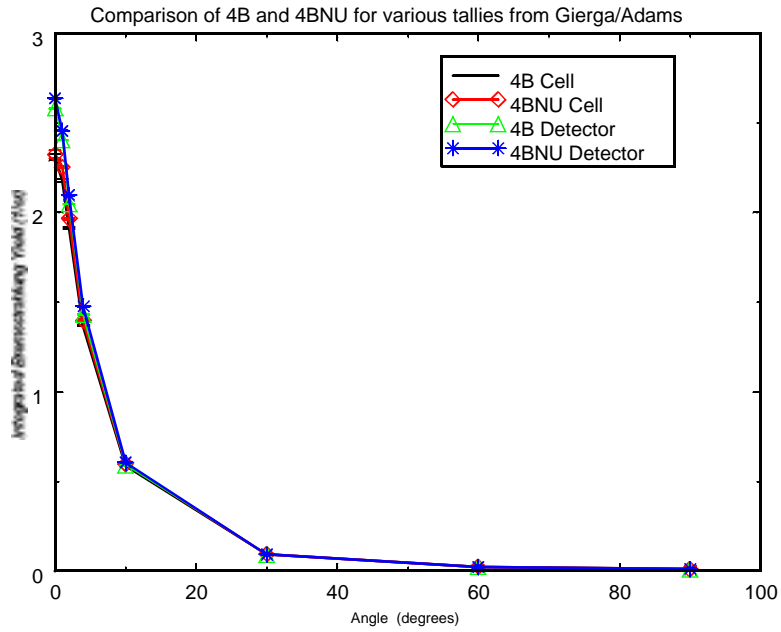
Figure 13: Bremsstrahlung spectra calculated with MCNP4BNU for 85 MeV electrons incident on 0.1 cm W with no variance reduction (asvw0r) and bbrem used in conjunction with new bnum biasins (asvw1ar) and numb biasing (asvwnar).

asvw1a) and asvwn (labeled asvwna) and asvw0. The impact of bbrem biasing has introduced no artifacts when used in conjunction with other biasing. It is amusing to note on this particularly thin problem, the largest fom was for no biasing.

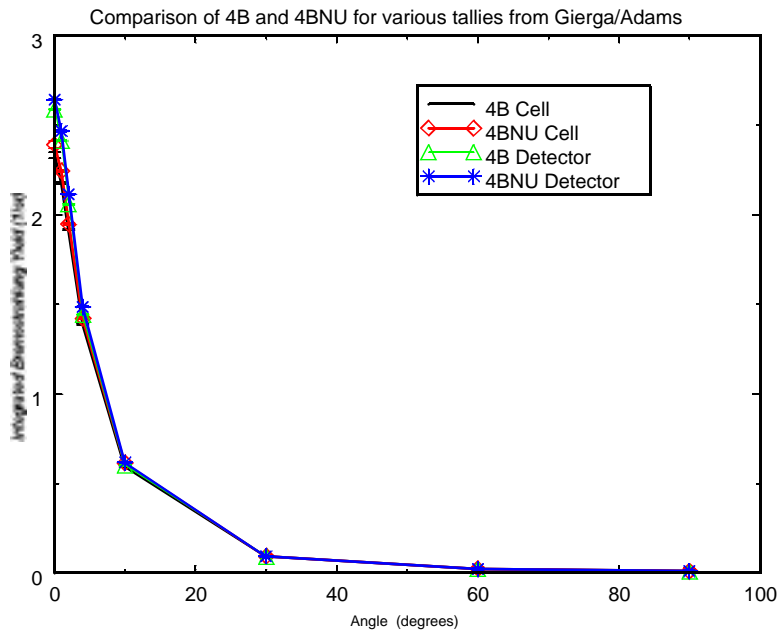
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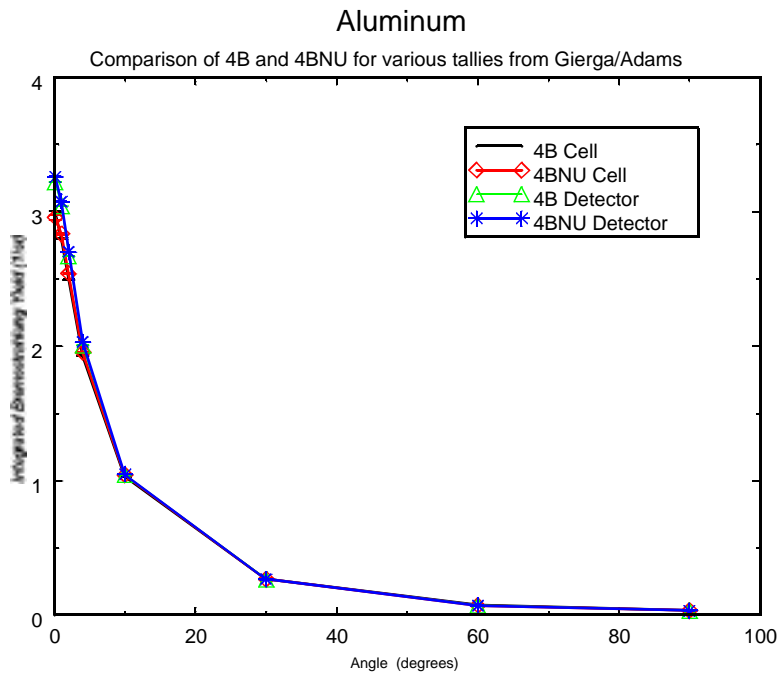
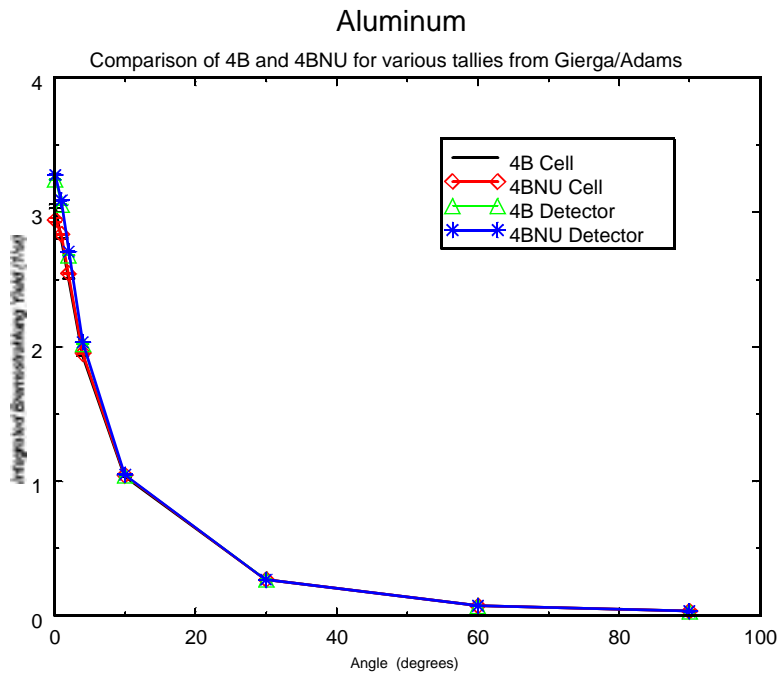
Gierga/Adams provided a very large suite of validation calculation templates. Due to budgetary limitations this set was not expanded. Nor have all the templates been run, only a few of the bremsstrahlung sensitive ones have been exercised. The results follow. Appendix C presents tables of some of the plots for more detailed comparisons.

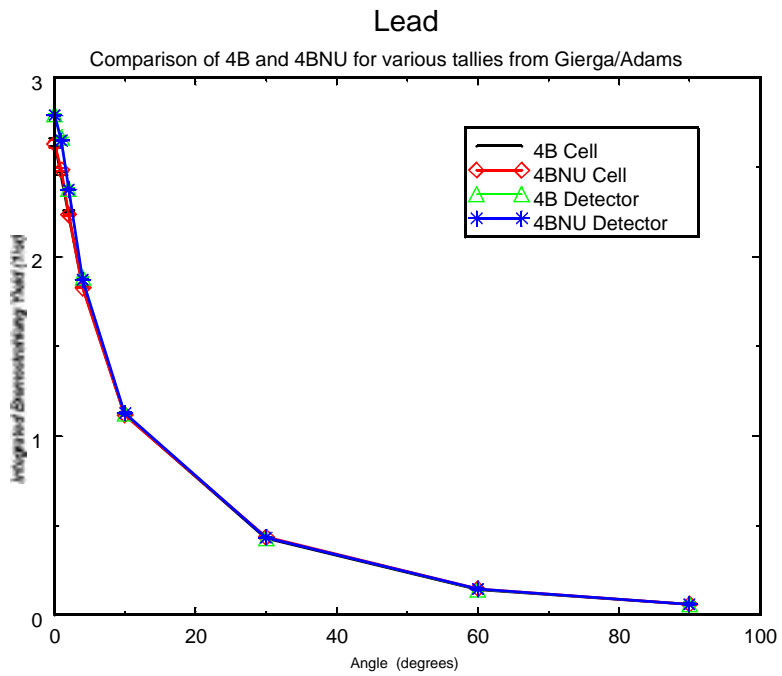
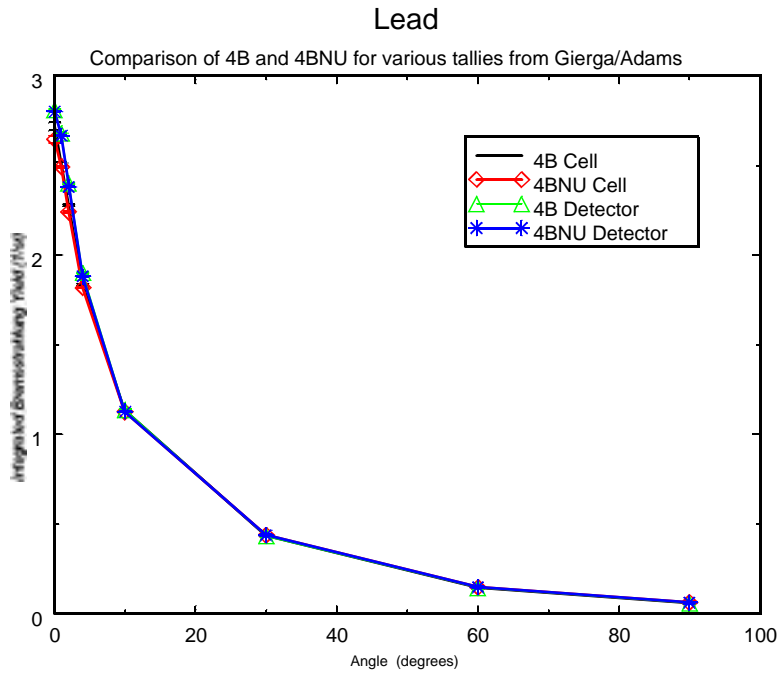
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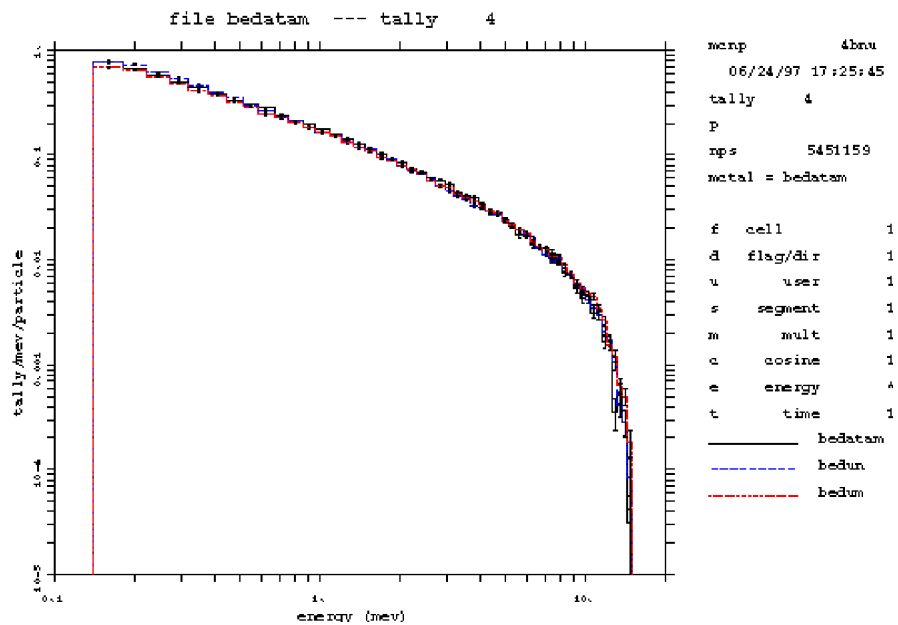
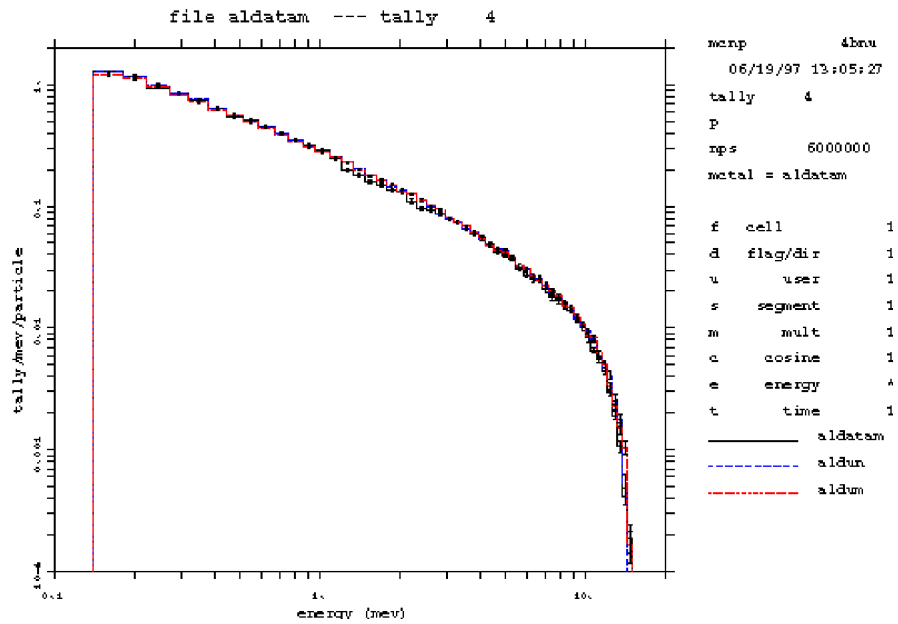
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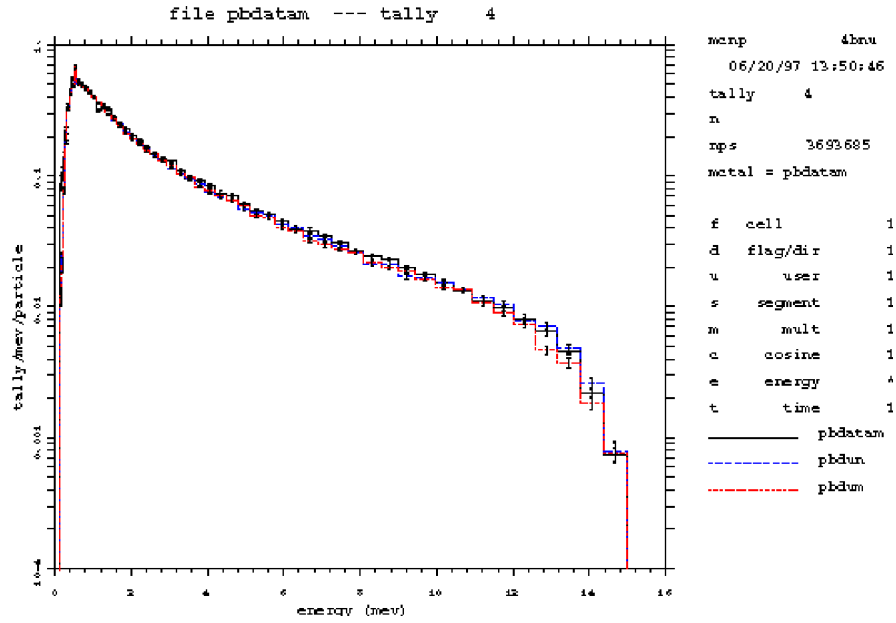




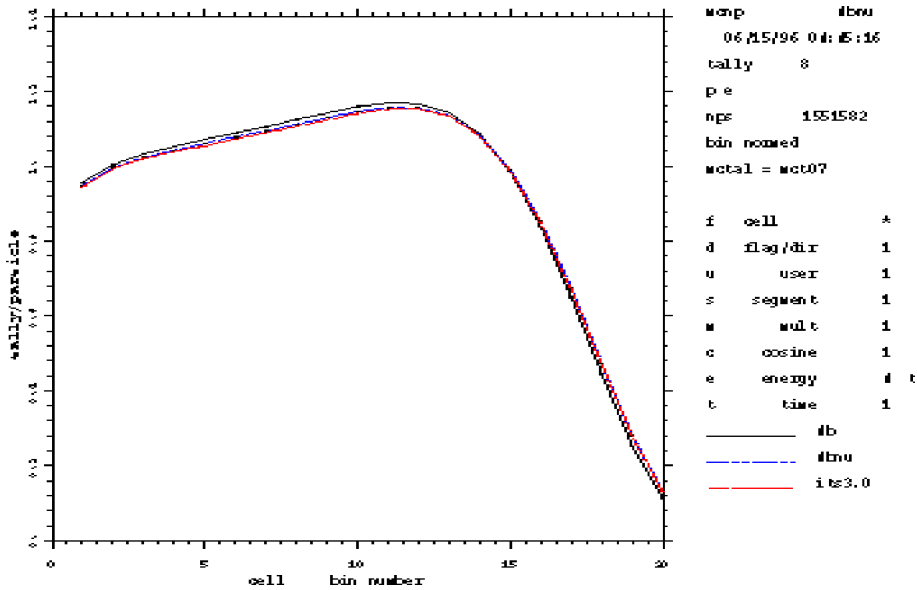


Selected spectra comparisons with 4BNU labeled with the suffix “n” and 4B “m”





20 mev electrons in water





Testing:

To facilitate merging this patch with the evolving MCNP4C, several test problems have been generated. They fall into two classes. One set are the ones derived from the previous 4B test suite which were selected if they used the EL1 database. This set consists of problems 04, 08, 10, 11, 20, 21, 22, 23, and 29. For problems 23 and 29, longer runs were done to assure that the test problems were giving reasonably assured results. A variant of 08 is included to assure that the code crashes and fails to run for mixed databases; this should not be allowed to be overcome with a fatal option since the results will probably be gibberish.

The second set focus on the new features mentioned above and are derived from the relatively straightforward “implication” validation set. inp30 and inp31 are derived from the high energy set. inp30 assures that the new bnum sampling is being done as expected with the bbrem card. inp31 checks the numb option for brems vr. inp32 is derived from the low energy problem with just fewer histories being run. It assures that the low energy portions of the database are being used as expected.

These test problems have exercised by D. Court and myself. Needless to say there are platform dependencies, however the test problems are easily checked with the converged results generated on Openblue.

Future work and conclusions:

The patch and database provide an improvement in the physics modeling of electron transport in MCNP. Comparisons with the progenitor code shows excellent agreement with calculated or derived quantities. Improvements in performance were illustrated with three sample problems. Comparisons with validation runs show improvement, albeit on the 1% level (as one might say the original developers did very good work so it is hard to improve it.) Several lessons have been learned from this effort on how new databases should be merged with the code. As such the original electron patch was a bandage and the current patch retains several of the “bandage” features.

There are still many remaining issues to be addressed for the electron/photon transport capabilities of MCNP.

- 1) The relaxation models are out of date and need to be improved (ref. 30 and 33).
- 2) Other bremsstrahlung and electron interaction databases (ref. 11) and the bremsstrahlung angular distribution calculation still is open
- 3) Emax and step size problems
- 4) Cleaning up the code and allow different databases to be used like the neutron side.
- 5) No-scatter calculation which is highly platform dependent.
- 6) Goudsmit-Saunderson treatment and general questions about multiple scattering and transport corrections such as TLC (transverse longitudinal correction).

7) Thick target bremsstrahlung.

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## Appendix A

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implicit real*8 (a-h,o-z)
character line*80,xline*80,hd*10,rline(15)*3
dimension nxs(16),jxs(32),nxs3(16),jxs3(32)
dimension xss(100000),exs(100000),etb(57),phi(57),eta(57)
dimension emott(100),xmott(100,5),xsc(100000),nxc(16),jxc(32)
dimension xsp(10000),nxp(16),jxp(32)
dimension tb(100),x(100),xi(100),xsec(100,100),xic(100,100),
  1 r(100),awit(100),ek(100),el(100,15),ea(100),
  1 rtwo(9),rfac(9),riley(9,12),rkac(51)
  data kmax/89/r/0.000001d0,0.0000015d0,0.000002d0,0.000003d0,
  1 0.000004d0,0.000005d0,0.000006d0,0.000008d0,0.00001d0,
  2 0.000015d0,0.00002d0,0.00003d0,0.00004d0,0.00005d0,0.00006d0,
  3 0.00008d0,0.0001d0,0.00015d0,0.0002d0,0.0003d0,0.0004d0,
  4 0.0005d0,0.0006d0,0.0008d0,0.001d0,0.00125d0,0.0015d0,
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  6 0.0125d0,0.015d0,0.0175d0,0.02d0,0.025d0,0.03d0,0.035d0,
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  4 0.000005d0,0.000002d0,0.000001d0,17*0.0d0/
iell=7
imcplib=iell+1
ixdata=imcplib+1
ixold=ixdata+1
ixnew=ixold+1
ius=ixnew+1
ius1=ius+1
ius2=ius1+1
ius3=ius2+1
iel30=ius3+1
  open(iell,file='ell')
open(imcplib,file='mcplib02')
open(ixdata,file='xdata.30')
open(ixold,file='xsdir1')
open(ixnew,file='xsdir3w')
open(ius,status='scratch')
open(ius1,status='scratch')
open(ius2,status='scratch')
open(ius3,status='scratch')
  open(iel30,file='el03')
c
c      read atomic weights and edge data from xdata.
read(ixdata,'(a80)')line
do 1 iz=1,100
read(ixdata,*)kzit,awit(iz),n,nn
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awit(iz)=awit(iz)/aneut
cwrite(6,*)awit(iz)
ek(iz)=0.
ea(iz)=0.
if(n.eq.0)go to 1
    read(ixdata,'(5(a3,f9.1,i4))')(rline(il),el(iz,il),nm,il=1,n)
ek(iz)=el(iz,1)*1d-3
ea(iz)=ek(iz)
if(n.lt.2)go to 1
ae=0.0
nl=0
do 2 il=2,n
if(rline(il)(2:2).ne.'L')go to 2
ae=ae+el(iz,il)*1d-3
nl=nl+1
2continue
ea(iz)=ea(iz)-ae/nl
lcontinue
c
c      start reading and processing in "jxs" order.
c
c      read and process the radiative stopping powers.
10read(ixdata,'(a80)')line
if(line(1:11).ne.'PHIRADB.DAT')go to 10
read(ixdata,*)lmax,lrax,mrax
read(ixdata,*)(etb(lmax-i+1),i=1,lmax)
do 60 iz=1,100
read(ixdata,*)(phi(lmax-i+1),i=1,lmax),(eta(lmax-i+1),i=1,lmax)
if(iz.le.94)then
read(iel1,'(f9.2,lhe,2f12.6,lx,a10)')zaid,awit(iz),tz,hd
hd='6/6/98'
write(ius,'(f9.2,lhe,2f12.6,lx,a10)')zaid,awit(iz),tz,hd
call readl(5,iel1,ius)
read(iel1,'(8i9)')(nxs(i),i=1,16),(jxs(i),i=1,32)
read(iel1,'(1p4e20.12)')(xss(i),i=1,nxs(1))
call xs23(nxs,jxs,nxs3,jxs3)
else
call zeroxs(nxs,jxs)
call zeroxs(nxs3,jxs3)
zaid=1000*iz+.01
tz=0.0
hd='6/6/98'
write(ius,'(f9.2,lhe,2f12.6,lx,a10)')zaid,awit(iz),tz,hd
line=' '
do 15 i=1,5
15write(ius,'(a80)')line
endif
jxs(1)=1
nxs3(1)=2+3*lmax
nxs3(2)=iz
nxs3(3)=lmax
jxs3(1)=1
jxs3(2)=3
jxs3(3)=jxs3(2)+3*lmax
c
c      flag the new treatment.
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        nxs3(16)=3
    if(iz.le.94)then
    call readl(6,imcplib,0)
    read(imcplib,'(8i9)')(nxp(i),i=1,16),(jxp(i),i=1,32)
        read(imcplib,'(1p4e20.12)')(xsp(i),i=1,nxp(1))
    do 30 i=1,jxs3(2)-1
    30exs(i)=xss(i)
    c fix the kxray line and auger emission value at least for
    c consistency with fluorescence model.
    c exs(jxs3(1))=kxray edge threshold.
    c exs(jxs3(1)+1)=auger emission energy
        if(nxp(4).ne.0)then
    exs(jxs3(1))=xsp(jxp(4)+nxp(4)-1)*1d3+1d-6
    exs(jxs3(1)+1)=exs(jxs3(1))
    if(nxp(4).gt.2)exs(jxs3(1)+1)=(xsp(jxp(4)+nxp(4)-1)-
        1 2*xsp(jxp(4)+1))*1d3
    if(exs(jxs3(1)+1).lt.0.)exs(jxs3(1)+1)=
        1 min(abs(exs(jxs3(1)+1)),
        1 xss(jxs(1)+1))
    endif
    else
    exs(jxs3(1))=ek(iz)
    exs(jxs3(1)+1)=ea(iz)
    endif
        do 40 i=1,nxs3(3)
    exs(jxs3(2)+i-1)=etb(i)
    exs(jxs3(2)+i-1+nx3(3))=phi(i)
    40exs(jxs3(2)+i-1+2*nx3(3))=eta(i)
    write(ius,'(8i9)')(nx3(i),i=1,16),(jxs3(i),i=1,32)
    60write(ius,'(1p4e20.12)')(exs(i),i=1,nxs3(1))
        rewind ixdata
        rewind ius
    c
    c     read the old ratios for comparison sake.
        rewind iell
    c
    c     read mott cross section ratios.
    61 read(ixdata,'(a80)')line
    if(line(1:9).ne.'MOTTE.DAT')go to 61
    read(ixdata,*)imott,ixmott
    read(ixdata,*)(emott(i),i=1,imott)
    read(ixdata,'(a80)')line
    do 63 iz=1,100
    read(ixdata,*)(xmott(i,j),i=1,imott),j=1,ixmott)
    call readl(6,ius,ius1)
    read(ius,'(8i9)')(nx3(i),i=1,16),(jxs(i),i=1,32)
    read(ius,'(1p4e20.12)')(xss(i),i=1,nxs(1))
    call upto(exs,xss,jxs(3))
        call xs23(nxs,jxs,nxs3,jxs3)
    nxs3(4)=imott
    nxs3(1)=nx3(1)+(ixmott+1)*nx3(4)
    jxs3(4)=jxs(3)+(ixmott+1)*nx3(4)
    do 62 i=1,imott
    62exs(jxs3(3)+i-1)=emott(i)
    do 602 j=1,ixmott
    jd=j*imott

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do 602 i=1,imott
602exs(jxs3(3)+i-1+jd)=xmott(i,j)
c
c      skip over positron data
read(ixdata,*)((xmott(i,j),i=1,imott),j=1,ixmott)
write(ius1,'(8i9)')(nxs3(i),i=1,16),(jxs3(i),i=1,32)
63write(ius1,'(1p4e20.12)')(exs(i),i=1,nxs3(1))
rewind ius
rewind ius1
rewind ixdata
c
c      read riley cross sections.
cRILEY.DAT
64  read(ixdata,'(a80)')line
if(line(1:9).ne.'RILEY.DAT')go to 64
do 67 iz=1,100
do 65 ir=1,9
read(ixdata,*)kz,rtwo(ir),rfac(ir)
65read(ixdata,'(5e15.8)')(riley(ir,ik),ik=1,12)
call readl(6,ius1,ius)
read(ius1,'(8i9)')(nxs(i),i=1,16),(jxs(i),i=1,32)
read(ius1,'(1p4e20.12)')(xss(i),i=1,nxs(1))
call upto(exs,xss,jxs(4))
      call xs23(nxs,jxs,nxs3,jxs3)
jxs3(5)=jxs3(4)+9*14
nxs3(1)=nxs(1)+9*14
io=-1
do 66 ir=1,9
io=io+1
exs(jxs3(4)+io)=rtwo(ir)
io=io+1
exs(jxs3(4)+io)=rfac(ir)
do 66 ik=1,12
io=io+1
66exs(jxs3(4)+io)=riley(ir,ik)
write(ius1,'(8i9)')(nxs3(i),i=1,16),(jxs3(i),i=1,32)
67write(ius1,'(1p4e20.12)')(exs(i),i=1,nxs3(1))
rewind ius
rewind ius1
rewind ixdata
c
c      now do the bremsstrahlung production
70  read(ixdata,'(a80)')line
if(line(1:9).ne.'BREME.DAT')go to 70
      read(ixdata,'(2i6)') nmix,kmix
      read(ixdata,'(6f12.5)')(tb(n),n=1,nmix)
      read(ixdata,'(6f12.5)')(x(k),k=1,kmix)
read(ixdata,'(a80)')line
do 120 iz=1,100
call readl(6,ius,ius2)
read(ius,'(8i9)')(nxs(i),i=1,16),(jxs(i),i=1,32)
read(ius,'(1p4e20.12)')(xss(i),i=1,nxs(1))
call upto(exs,xss,jxs(5))
      call xs23(nxs,jxs,nxs3,jxs3)
nxs3(5)=nmix
nxs3(6)=kmix
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jxs3(6)=0
nxs3(1)=nxs(1)+nmix+kmix+nmix*kmix
read (ixdata,'(6f9.5)') ((xsic(n,k),n=1,nmix),k=1,kmix)
  do 90 n=1,nmix
90exs(jxs3(5)+n-1)=tb(n)
do 100 k=1,kmix
exs(jxs3(5)+k-1+nmix)=x(k)
c
c      1d-3 converts from mb to b.
do 100 n=1,nmix
100exs(jxs3(5)+nmix+kmix+nmix*(k-1)+n-1)=xsic(n,k)*1d-3
c
c      write out the normalized photon grid numbers.
c      these are rkt and rka but to allow for flexibility, they
c      will now be read from el30.
c      the jxs indices are bumped up since jxs(7) and jxs(8) are
c      used already. Then for consistency nxs is bumped up to have
c      the same indices.
nxs3(9)=kmax
jxs3(9)=nxs3(1)+1
nxs3(1)=nxs3(1)+nxs3(9)
nxs3(10)=34
jxs3(10)=nxs3(1)+1
nxs3(1)=nxs3(1)+nxs3(10)
do 110 i=1,nxs3(9)
110exs(jxs3(9)+i-1)=r(i)
do 115 i=1,nxs3(10)
115exs(jxs3(10)+i-1)=rkac(i)
write(ius2,'(8i9)')(nxs3(i),i=1,16),(jxs3(i),i=1,32)
120write(ius2,'(1p4e20.12)')(exs(i),i=1,nxs3(1))
c
c      binding energies and occupation numbers of Carlson for density
c      effect corrections.
  rewind ixdata
  rewind ius2
140 read(ixdata,'(a80)')line
if(line(1:12).ne.'BINDENGY.DAT')go to 140
  do 160 iz=1,100
read(ixdata,*)izx,iset
  read(ixdata,*)(x(i),xi(i),i=1,iset)
  call readl(6,ius2,ius1)
read(ius2,'(8i9)')(nxs(i),i=1,16),(jxs(i),i=1,32)
read(ius2,'(1p4e20.12)')(exs(i),i=1,nxs(1))
  call xs23(nxs,jxs,nxs3,jxs3)
nxs3(11)=iset
nxs3(1)=nxs(1)+2*iset
jxs3(11)=nxs(1)+1
do 150 ij=1,iset
exs(jxs3(11)+ij-1)=x(ij)
150exs(jxs3(11)+ij+iset-1)=xi(ij)
write(ius1,'(8i9)')(nxs3(i),i=1,16),(jxs3(i),i=1,32)
160write(ius1,'(1p4e20.12)')(exs(i),i=1,nxs3(1))
  rewind ius1
c
c      all done now write the new data file, el30,
c      directory file, xsdir30.
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nline=1
170read(ixold,'(a80)',end=220,err=220)xline
    iyes=0
line=xline
do 180 j=1,5
    jj=j+19
180if(line(jj:jj+2).eq.'ell')iyes=jj
if(iyes.eq.0)then
write(ixnew,'(a80)')xline
go to 170
endif
do 200 i=1,6
    read(ius1,'(a80)')line
if(i.eq.1)then
    do 190 j=1,3
        jj=j+7
190    if(line(jj:jj).eq.'1')line(jj:jj)='3'
        write(6,'(a80)')line
endif
200write(iel30,'(a80)')line
    read(ius1,'(8i9)')(nxs3(i),i=1,16),(jxs3(i),i=1,32)
read(ius1,'(1p4e20.12)')(exs(i),i=1,nxs3(1))
write(iel30,'(8i9)')(nxs3(i),i=1,16),(jxs3(i),i=1,32)
write(iel30,'(1p4e20.12)')(exs(i),i=1,nxs3(1))
line=xline
line(7:8)='03'
line(iyes+2:iyes+4)=' `
line(iyes+2:iyes+4)='3x `
n0=0
n1=1
t=0.0
write(ixnew,210)line(1:27),n0,n1,nline,nxs3(1),
    1 n0,n0,t
210format(a26,1x,2i2,2i8,2i2,f4.1)
noff=13
if(mod(nxs3(1),4).eq.0)noff=12
    nline=nline+nxs3(1)/4+noff
write(ixnew,'(a80)')xline
go to 170
c
c    add in the final zaid to 100.
220    continue
    do 250 iz=95,100
do 240 i=1,6
    read(ius1,'(a80)')line
if(i.eq.1)then
    do 230 j=1,3
        jj=j+7
230    if(line(jj:jj).eq.'1')line(jj:jj)='3'
        write(6,'(a80)')line
xline=line
if(line(1:1).eq.' `)xline(1:27)=line(2:28)
endif
240write(iel30,'(a80)')line
    read(ius1,'(8i9)')(nxs3(i),i=1,16),(jxs3(i),i=1,32)
read(ius1,'(1p4e20.12)')(exs(i),i=1,nxs3(1))
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write(iel30,'(8i9)')(nxs3(i),i=1,16),(jxs3(i),i=1,32)
write(iel30,'(1p4e20.12)')(exs(i),i=1,nxs3(1))
n0=0
n1=1
t=0.0
xline(22:27)=' e13x `
write(ixnew,210)xline(1:27),n0,n1,nline,nxs3(1),
    1 n0,n0,t
noff=13
if(mod(nxs3(1),4).eq.0)noff=12
250  nline=nline+nxs3(1)/4+noff
stop
    end
subroutine readl(n,iin,iout)
character line*80
do 10 i=1,n
    read(iin,'(a80)',end=999)line
    cif(i.eq.1)write(6,'(a80)')line
    10if(iout.gt.0)write(iout,'(a80)')line
    return
999write(*,*)' problem reading unit ',iin
stop
end
subroutine xs23(nxs,jxs,nxs3,jxs3)
dimension nxs(16),jxs(32),nxs3(16),jxs3(32)
do 10 i=1,16
nxs3(i)=nxs(i)
jxs3(i)=jxs(i)
10  jxs3(i+16)=jxs(i+16)
return
end
subroutine zeroxs(nxs,jxs)
dimension nxs(16),jxs(32)
do 10 i=1,16
nxs(i)=0
jxs(i)=0
10  jxs(i+16)=0
return
end
subroutine upto(exs,xss,jxs)
implicit real*8 (a-h,o-z)
dimension exs(1),xss(1)
do 10 i=1,jxs
10exs(i)=xss(i)
return
end
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## **Appendix B**

Intentionally omitted.

**Appendix C**

Tables of values calculated using David Gierga's input files. Each suite of runs is presented. The final three tables compare to data showing only a marginal change in the results due to the upgrade.

**TABLE IV: Beryllium cell flux tallies without stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0	2.31E+00	0.0181	2.33E+00	0.0212	-0.0072
1	2.18E+00	0.0066	2.25E+00	0.0076	-0.0334
2	1.91E+00	0.005	1.97E+00	0.0058	-0.0275
4	1.37E+00	0.0041	1.40E+00	0.0048	-0.0223
10	5.90E-01	0.004	5.98E-01	0.0047	-0.0142
30	9.37E-02	0.0059	9.42E-02	0.007	-0.0060
60	2.29E-02	0.0091	2.34E-02	0.0106	-0.0222
90	1.08E-02	0.0123	1.11E-02	0.0144	-0.0281

**TABLE V: Beryllium detector flux tallies without stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0	2.58E+00	0.0025	2.64E+00	0.003	-0.0215
1	2.40E+00	0.0024	2.46E+00	0.0028	-0.0218
2	2.05E+00	0.0024	2.10E+00	0.0027	-0.0246
4	1.43E+00	0.0024	1.48E+00	0.0027	-0.0328
10	5.90E-01	0.0028	6.06E-01	0.0033	-0.0267
30	9.20E-02	0.0034	9.27E-02	0.004	-0.0077
60	2.26E-02	0.003	2.28E-02	0.0034	-0.0063
90	1.05E-02	0.0027	1.06E-02	0.0038	-0.0114

**TABLE VI: Beryllium cell flux tallies with stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0	2.33E+00	0.0181	2.39E+00	0.0209	-0.0249
1	2.18E+00	0.0066	2.25E+00	0.0076	-0.0319
2	1.92E+00	0.005	1.95E+00	0.0058	-0.0158
4	1.39E+00	0.0041	1.42E+00	0.0048	-0.0240
10	5.98E-01	0.004	6.15E-01	0.0046	-0.0294
30	9.34E-02	0.006	9.53E-02	0.0069	-0.0207
60	2.37E-02	0.009	2.38E-02	0.0105	-0.0044
90	1.10E-02	0.0124	1.10E-02	0.0144	-0.0055

**TABLE VII: Beryllium detector flux tallies with stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0	2.59E+00	0.0026	2.64E+00	0.003	-0.0211
1	2.41E+00	0.0025	2.47E+00	0.0028	-0.0228
2	2.06E+00	0.0024	2.11E+00	0.0027	-0.0269
4	1.44E+00	0.0024	1.49E+00	0.0027	-0.0288
10	6.03E-01	0.0028	6.17E-01	0.0032	-0.0235
30	9.34E-02	0.0034	9.49E-02	0.004	-0.0158
60	2.34E-02	0.0038	2.33E-02	0.0037	0.0014
90	1.08E-02	0.0027	1.09E-02	0.004	-0.0176

**TABLE VIII: Aliminum cell flux tallies without stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0.1	3.04E+00	0.0151	2.94E+00	0.0168	0.0325
1	2.81E+00	0.0056	2.84E+00	0.0061	-0.0100
2	2.51E+00	0.0042	2.55E+00	0.0045	-0.0149
4	1.94E+00	0.0034	1.95E+00	0.0037	-0.0081
10	1.03E+00	0.0029	1.04E+00	0.0032	-0.0089
30	2.66E-01	0.0034	2.68E-01	0.0037	-0.0064
60	7.28E-02	0.0049	7.14E-02	0.0054	0.0199
90	3.29E-02	0.0068	3.28E-02	0.0075	0.0039

**TABLE IX: Aliminum detector flux tallies without stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0.1	3.24E+00	0.0022	3.28E+00	0.0023	-0.0107
1	3.06E+00	0.0021	3.09E+00	0.0023	-0.0103
2	2.68E+00	0.002	2.71E+00	0.0022	-0.0101
4	2.02E+00	0.002	2.04E+00	0.0022	-0.0071
10	1.04E+00	0.0024	1.05E+00	0.0026	-0.0053
30	2.67E-01	0.0027	2.66E-01	0.003	0.0055
60	7.28E-02	0.0028	7.25E-02	0.0029	0.0031
90	3.28E-02	0.0027	3.26E-02	0.003	0.0056

**TABLE X: Aliminum cell flux tallies with stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0.1	2.99E+00	0.0153	2.96E+00	0.0188	0.0110
1	2.80E+00	0.0056	2.84E+00	0.0068	-0.0125
2	2.49E+00	0.0042	2.54E+00	0.0051	-0.0190
4	1.93E+00	0.0034	1.96E+00	0.0041	-0.0132
10	1.03E+00	0.0029	1.04E+00	0.0035	-0.0117
30	2.69E-01	0.0034	2.68E-01	0.0041	0.0040
60	7.32E-02	0.0049	7.26E-02	0.006	0.0081
90	3.33E-02	0.0068	3.32E-02	0.0083	0.0004

**TABLE XI: Aliminum detector flux tallies with stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0.1	3.22E+00	0.0022	3.26E+00	0.0026	-0.0117
1	3.04E+00	0.0021	3.08E+00	0.0025	-0.0106
2	2.67E+00	0.002	2.70E+00	0.0025	-0.0123
4	2.01E+00	0.002	2.03E+00	0.0025	-0.0117
10	1.04E+00	0.0023	1.05E+00	0.0028	-0.0060
30	2.67E-01	0.0027	2.67E-01	0.0033	0.0011
60	7.29E-02	0.0027	7.21E-02	0.0032	0.0105
90	3.31E-02	0.0027	3.29E-02	0.0033	0.0072

**TABLE XII: Lead cell flux tallies without stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0	2.72E+00	0.0222	2.65E+00	0.0199	0.0260
1	2.51E+00	0.0082	2.49E+00	0.0072	0.0060
2	2.28E+00	0.006	2.24E+00	0.0054	0.0168
4	1.84E+00	0.0048	1.82E+00	0.0042	0.0090
10	1.13E+00	0.0038	1.13E+00	0.0034	0.0063
30	4.34E-01	0.0037	4.37E-01	0.0032	-0.0079
60	1.44E-01	0.0048	1.48E-01	0.0042	-0.0231
90	6.03E-02	0.007	6.23E-02	0.0061	-0.0335

**TABLE XIII: Lead detector flux tallies without stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0	2.81E+00	0.0032	2.80E+00	0.0028	0.0032
1	2.68E+00	0.0031	2.67E+00	0.0027	0.0054
2	2.40E+00	0.003	2.38E+00	0.0027	0.0080
4	1.90E+00	0.0031	1.88E+00	0.0027	0.0104
10	1.14E+00	0.0036	1.13E+00	0.0032	0.0083
30	4.31E-01	0.0045	4.37E-01	0.004	-0.0142
60	1.43E-01	0.0053	1.47E-01	0.0045	-0.0233
90	5.86E-02	0.0065	6.13E-02	0.0055	-0.0464

**TABLE XIV: Lead cell flux tallies with stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0	2.64E+00	0.0207	2.63E+00	0.0199	0.0045
1	2.46E+00	0.0076	2.48E+00	0.0073	-0.0086
2	2.25E+00	0.0056	2.24E+00	0.0054	0.0086
4	1.83E+00	0.0044	1.83E+00	0.0042	0.0049
10	1.12E+00	0.0036	1.12E+00	0.0034	0.0041
30	4.30E-01	0.0034	4.34E-01	0.0032	-0.0098
60	1.43E-01	0.0045	1.47E-01	0.0042	-0.0324
90	6.03E-02	0.0064	6.21E-02	0.0061	-0.0296

**TABLE XV: Lead detector flux tallies with stainless steel**

<b>angle</b>	<b>Flux(4b)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>Flux(nu)</b>	<b>Rel. Err.</b>	<b>rel. diff.</b>
0	2.80E+00	0.0029	2.79E+00	0.0028	0.0028
1	2.67E+00	0.0028	2.65E+00	0.0027	0.0070
2	2.38E+00	0.0028	2.37E+00	0.0027	0.0022
4	1.88E+00	0.0028	1.87E+00	0.0027	0.0061
10	1.13E+00	0.0032	1.13E+00	0.0032	-0.0018
30	4.31E-01	0.0042	4.33E-01	0.004	-0.0057
60	1.42E-01	0.0046	1.46E-01	0.0045	-0.0278
90	6.00E-02	0.0117	6.14E-02	0.0058	-0.0226



**TABLE XVI: Data comparison with Faddegon for Lead**

	<b>4bnu cell</b>		<b>4bnu detect</b>		<b>Faddegon</b>
0	2.63E+00	0.0199	2.79E+00	0.0028	2.92E+00(5.0)
1	2.48E+00	0.0073	2.65E+00	0.0027	2.80E+00(5.0)
2	2.24E+00	0.0054	2.37E+00	0.0027	2.48E+00(5.0)
4	1.83E+00	0.0042	1.87E+00	0.0027	1.99E+00(5.0)
10	1.12E+00	0.0034	1.13E+00	0.0032	1.2E+00(5.0)
30	4.37E-01	0.0032	4.37E-01	0.004	4.47E-01(5.0)
60	1.48E-01	0.0042	1.47E-01	0.0045	1.29E-01(5.0)
90	6.23E-02	0.0061	6.13E-02	0.0055	5.19E-02(7.0)

**TABLE XVII: Data comparison with Faddegon for Beryllium**

	<b>4bnu cell</b>		<b>4bnu detect</b>		<b>Faddegon</b>
0	2.39E+00	0.0209	2.64E+00	0.003	2.73E+00(5.1)
1	2.25E+00	0.0076	2.47E+00	0.0028	2.57E+00(5.1)
2	1.95E+00	0.0058	2.11E+00	0.0027	2.14E+00(5.1)
4	1.42E+00	0.0048	1.49E+00	0.0027	1.54E+00(5.0)
10	6.15E-01	0.0046	6.17E-01	0.0032	6.30E-01(5.1)
30	9.42E-02	0.007	9.27E-02	0.004	9.49E-02(5.1)
60	2.34E-02	0.0106	2.28E-02	0.0034	2.38E-02(5.9)
90	1.11E-02	0.0144	1.06E-02	0.0038	1.06E-02(7.0)

**TABLE XVIII: Data comparison with Faddegon for Aluminum**

	<b>4bnu cell</b>		<b>4bnu detect</b>		<b>Faddegon</b>
0	2.96E+00	0.0188	3.26E+00	0.0026	3.42E+00(5.0)
1	2.84E+00	0.0068	3.08E+00	0.0025	3.21E+00(5.0)
2	2.54E+00	0.0051	2.70E+00	0.0025	2.78E+00(5.0)
4	1.96E+00	0.0041	2.03E+00	0.0025	2.14E+00(5.0)
10	1.04E+00	0.0035	1.05E+00	0.0028	1.06E+00(5.0)
30	2.68E-01	0.0037	2.66E-01	0.003	2.65E-01(5.0)
60	7.14E-02	0.0054	7.25E-02	0.0029	6.66E-02(6.0)
90	3.28E-02	0.0075	3.26E-02	0.003	2.87E-02(6.0)

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