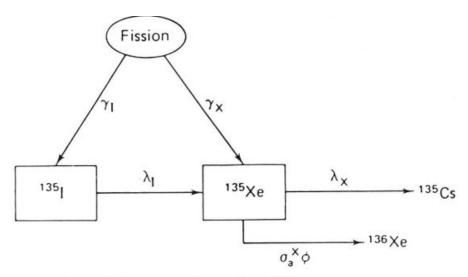
# Xenon and Samarium concentration

### Xenon

Assume the following decay scheme for Xenon.



A simplified decay scheme for 135Xe.

The following ODEs apply:

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial t} = \Sigma_f \phi \gamma_1 - \lambda_I I$$

$$\frac{\partial Xe}{\partial t} = \Sigma_f \phi \gamma_2 + \lambda_I I - \sigma_a^X \phi X e - \lambda_X X e$$

At equilibrium,  $\frac{\partial Xe}{\partial t}=\frac{\partial I}{\partial t}=0$  , the iodine and xenon concentrations would be:

$$0 = \Sigma_f \phi \gamma_1 - \lambda_I I_{\infty}$$

$$I_{\infty} = \frac{\Sigma_f \phi \gamma_1}{\lambda_I}$$

$$0 = \Sigma_f \phi \gamma_2 + \lambda_I I_{\infty} - \sigma_a^X \phi X e_{\infty} - \lambda_X X e_{\infty}$$

$$\sigma_a^X \phi X e_{\infty} + \lambda_X X e_{\infty} = \Sigma_f \phi \gamma_2 + \lambda_I I_{\infty}$$

$$X e_{\infty} = \frac{\Sigma_f \phi \gamma_2 + \lambda_I I_{\infty}}{\sigma_a^X \phi + \lambda_X} = \frac{\Sigma_f \phi \gamma_2 + \Sigma_f \phi \gamma_1}{\sigma_a^X \phi + \lambda_X}$$

$$X e_{\infty} = \frac{\Sigma_f \phi (\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)}{\sigma_a^X \phi + \lambda_X}$$

After shutdown, the iodine concentration is modeled with the following ODE.

$$\frac{\partial I}{\partial t} = -\lambda_I I$$
$$\frac{1}{I} \partial I = \lambda_I \partial t$$
$$I = I_0 e^{-\lambda_I t}$$

After shutdown, the xenon concentration is modeled with the following ODE.

$$\frac{\partial Xe}{\partial t} = \lambda_I I - \lambda_X Xe$$
$$\frac{\partial Xe}{\partial t} + \lambda_X Xe = \lambda_I I$$

Multiply by an integrating factor  $e^{\lambda_X t}$ 

$$\frac{\partial Xe}{\partial t}e^{\lambda_X t} + \lambda_X Xee^{\lambda_X t} = \lambda_I Ie^{\lambda_X t}$$
$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} Xee^{\lambda_X t} = \lambda_I I_0 e^{-\lambda_I t}e^{\lambda_X t} = \lambda_I I_0 e^{(\lambda_X - \lambda_I)t}$$

Integrate with respect to t from 0 to t.

$$Xee^{\lambda_X t} - Xe_0 = \int_0^t \lambda_I I_0 e^{(\lambda_X - \lambda_I)t} dt$$

$$Xee^{\lambda_X t} - Xe_0 = \frac{\lambda_I I_0}{\lambda_X - \lambda_I} (e^{(\lambda_X - \lambda_I)t} - 1)$$

$$Xe = Xe_0 e^{-\lambda_X t} + \frac{\lambda_I I_0}{\lambda_X - \lambda_I} \frac{1}{e^{\lambda_X t}} (e^{(\lambda_X - \lambda_I)t} - 1)$$

$$Xe = Xe_0 e^{-\lambda_X t} + \frac{\lambda_I I_0}{\lambda_X - \lambda_I} (e^{-\lambda_I t} - e^{-\lambda_X t})$$

## Samarium

Assume the following decay scheme for Samarium.

Fission 
$$\rightarrow$$
 149Nd  $\rightarrow$  2.0 hr  $\rightarrow$  149Pm  $\rightarrow$  149Sm  $\rightarrow$  54 hr

The following ODEs apply:

$$\frac{\partial Pm}{\partial t} = \Sigma_f \phi \gamma_{Pm} - \lambda_{Pm} Pm$$
$$\frac{\partial Sm}{\partial t} = \lambda_{Pm} Pm - \sigma_a^s Sm\phi$$

Assume constant flux and solve for Pm.

$$\frac{\partial Pm}{\partial t} + \lambda_{Pm} Pm = \Sigma_f \phi \gamma_{Pm}$$

Multiply by an integrating factor  $e^{\lambda_{Pm}t}$ .

$$\frac{\partial Pm}{\partial t}e^{\lambda_{Pm}t} + \lambda_{Pm}Pme^{\lambda_{Pm}t} = \frac{\partial}{\partial t}Pme^{\lambda_{Pm}t} = \Sigma_f\phi\gamma_{Pm}e^{\lambda_{Pm}t}$$

Integrate with respect to t from 0 to t.

$$Pm(t)e^{\lambda_{Pm}t} - Pm_0 = \int_0^t \Sigma_f \phi \gamma_{Pm} e^{\lambda_{Pm}t} dt$$

$$Pm(t)e^{\lambda_{Pm}t} - Pm_0 = \frac{\Sigma_f \phi \gamma_{Pm}}{\lambda_{Pm}} (e^{\lambda_{Pm}t} - 1)$$

$$Pm(t) = Pm_0 e^{-\lambda_{Pm}t} + \frac{\Sigma_f \phi \gamma_{Pm}}{\lambda_{Pm}} (1 - e^{-\lambda_{Pm}t})$$

Now consider shutdown after steady-state operation long enough to achieve equilibrium. At equilibrium,  $\frac{\partial Pm}{\partial t} = \frac{\partial Sm}{\partial t} = 0$ , the concentrations would be:

$$0 = \sum_{f} \phi \gamma_{Pm} - \lambda_{Pm} P m_{\infty}$$

$$P m_{\infty} = \frac{\sum_{f} \phi \gamma_{Pm}}{\lambda_{Pm}}$$

$$0 = \lambda_{Pm} P m_{\infty} - \sigma_{a}^{s} S m_{\infty} \phi$$

$$S m_{\infty} = \frac{\lambda_{Pm} P m_{\infty}}{\sigma_{a}^{s} \phi}$$

$$S m_{\infty} = \frac{\lambda_{Pm}}{\sigma_{a}^{s} \phi} \frac{\sum_{f} \phi \gamma_{Pm}}{\lambda_{Pm}}$$

$$S m_{\infty} = \frac{\sum_{f} \gamma_{Pm}}{\sigma_{a}^{s}}$$

After shutdown:

$$\begin{split} \frac{\partial Pm}{\partial t} &= -\lambda_{Pm} Pm \\ Pm &= Pm_{\infty} e^{-\lambda_{Pm} Pm} \\ \frac{\partial Sm}{\partial t} &= \lambda_{Pm} Pm \\ \frac{\partial Sm}{\partial t} &= \lambda_{Pm} Pm_{\infty} e^{-\lambda_{Pm} Pm} \end{split}$$

Integrate with respect to t from 0 to t.

$$Sm(t) - Sm_{\infty} = \int_0^t \lambda_{Pm} Pm_{\infty} e^{-\lambda_{Pm} Pm} dt = \frac{\lambda_{Pm} Pm_{\infty}}{-\lambda_{Pm}} (e^{-\lambda_{Pm} Pm} - 1)$$
$$Sm(t) = Sm_{\infty} + Pm_{\infty} (1 - e^{-\lambda_{Pm} Pm})$$

### Equilibrium Reactivity Worth: Xenon

$$\Delta \rho = \frac{-\Sigma_a}{\nu \Sigma_f} = \frac{-\sigma_a}{\nu \Sigma_f} X e_{\infty} = \frac{-\sigma_a}{\nu \Sigma_f} \frac{\Sigma_f \phi(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)}{\lambda_{Xe} + \sigma_a^X e \phi} = \frac{-\sigma_a \phi(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)}{\nu (\lambda_{Xe} + \sigma_a^{Xe} \phi)}$$
$$\Delta \rho = \frac{-\phi(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)}{\nu (\frac{\lambda_{Xe}}{\sigma_a^{Xe}} + \phi)}$$

For large fluxes  $\phi >> \frac{\lambda_{Xe}}{\sigma_a^{Xe}}$ 

$$\Delta \rho = \frac{-\phi(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)}{\nu \phi} = \frac{-(\gamma_1 + \gamma_2)}{\nu} \approx -0.026$$

### Equilibrium Reactivity Worth: Samarium

$$\Delta \rho = \frac{-\Sigma_a}{\nu \Sigma_f} = \frac{-\sigma_a}{\nu \Sigma_f} Sm_{\infty}$$

From earlier  $Sm_{\infty} = \frac{\Sigma_f \gamma_{Pm}}{\sigma_a}$ 

$$\Delta \rho = \frac{-\Sigma_a}{\nu \Sigma_f} = \frac{-\sigma_a}{\nu \Sigma_f} \frac{\Sigma_f \gamma_{Pm}}{\sigma_a} = \frac{-\gamma_{Pm}}{\nu} \approx 0.00463$$