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**JADE**

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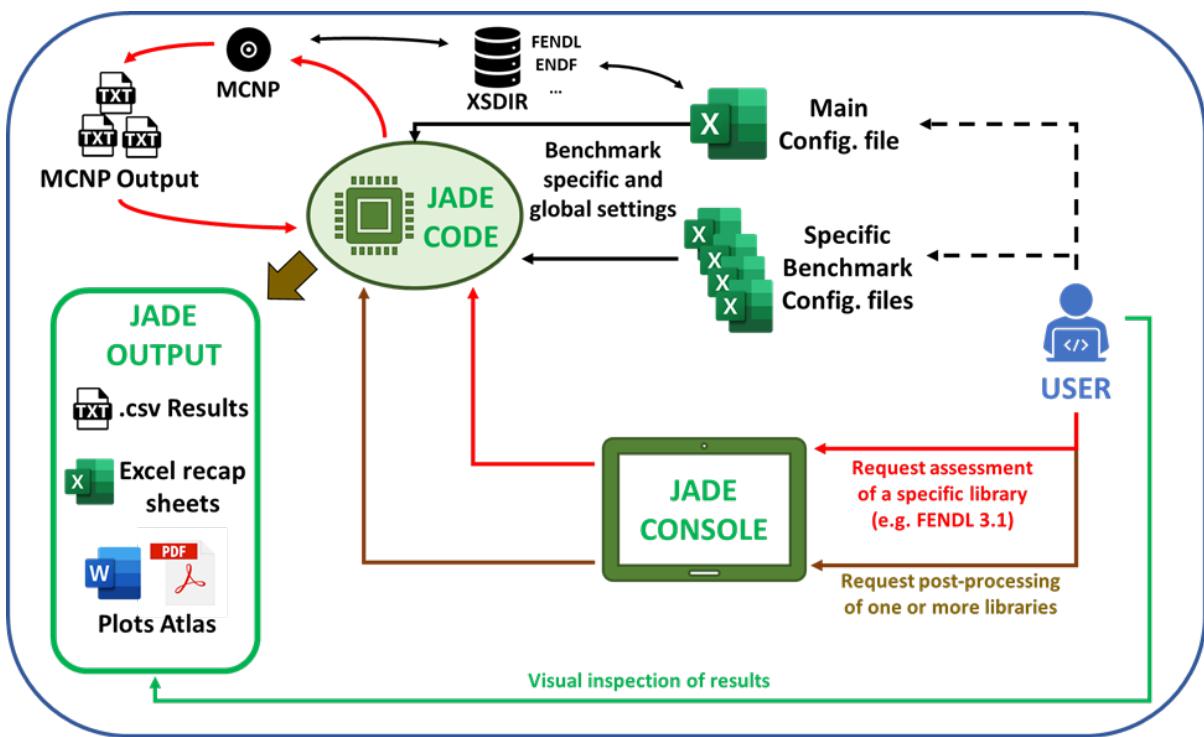
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For additional information on future developments please check the issues list on the GitHub repository [link].



## JADE IN A NUTSHELL



JADE is a new tool for nuclear libraries V&V. Brought to you by NIER, University of Bologna (UNIBO) and Fusion For Energy (F4E). JADE is an open source, Python 3 based software able to:

- automatically build a series of MCNP input file using different nuclear data libraries;
- sequentially run simulations on such inputs;
- automatically parse and post-process all the generated MCNP outputs (e.g. mctal and fmesh).

The benchmarks implemented by default are divided between computational and experimental benchmarks. The post-processing output includes:

- raw data in .csv files containing the entire tallied output from the simulations;
- formatted Excel recap files;
- Word and PDF atlas collecting the plots generated during the post-processing.

Additional JADE features are:

- the possibility to implement user-defined benchmarks;

- operate on the material card of an MCNP input (e.g. create material mixtures, translate it to a different nuclear data library or switch between atom and mass fraction);
- print a recap of the material composition of an MCNP input;
- modify the suffix of .ace library;
- produce default reaction file for D1S-UNED MCNP patch inputs.

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## **INSTALLATION**

The preferred way to install JADE is through a conda virtual environment, meaning that an Anaconda or Miniconda installation is required. Please visit the [Anaconda website](#) for more detailed information about the Anaconda products and virtual environments.

Once Anaconda is set up, proceed with the following steps to complete JADE installation:

1. Visit [\[link github JADE\]](#) and download the latest JADE release as a .zip folder;
2. Extract the .zip into a folder of choice (from now on <JADE\_root>);
3. Rename the folder containing the different Python modules as ‘Code’ (<JADE\_root>\Code); Your folders structure at this point should look like this:

```
<JADE_root>
  |
  |----- Code
  |     |---- default_settings
  |     |---- docs
  |     |---- install_files
  |     |---- templates
  |     |---- tests
```

4. Open an anaconda prompt shell and change directory to <JADE\_root>\Code. Here, create the JADE virtual environment typing:

```
conda env create --name jade --file=environment.yml
```

This ensures that all JADE dependencies are satisfied. The environment can be activated using:

```
conda activate jade
```

And deactivated simply using:

```
conda deactivate
```

5. With the environment active, type in the Anaconda prompt shell:

```
python main.py
```

this will initialize the remaining part of JADE folders structure that now should look like the one described in *Folder Structure*.

6. Open the global configuration file: <JADE\_root>\Code\Configuration\Config.xlsx; here you need to properly set the environment variables specified in the ‘MAIN Config.’ sheet (i.e. xsdir Path, and multithread options);

The installation is now complete. JADE can now be started with the following steps:

1. Open an Anaconda prompt shell;

2. activate the jade environment;
3. move to the <JADE\_root>\Code folder;
4. type:

```
python main.py
```

**See also:**

check also [\*Main Configuration\*](#) for additional information on the minimum environment variables to be set.

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## CHAPTER THREE

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### FOLDER STRUCTURE

The following is a scheme of the JADE folder structure:

```
<JADE_root>
    |----- Benchmark inputs
    |       |----- <inputfile>.i
    |       |----- ...
    |       |----- <Inputfolder>
    |       |----- ...
    |       |----- VRT

    |----- Code
    |       |----- default_settings
    |       |----- docs
    |       |----- install_files
    |       |----- templates
    |       |----- tests

    |----- Configuration
    |       |----- Benchmarks Configuration
    |       |----- Config.xlsx

    |----- Experimental results
    |       |----- <Benchmark name 1>
    |       |----- [...]

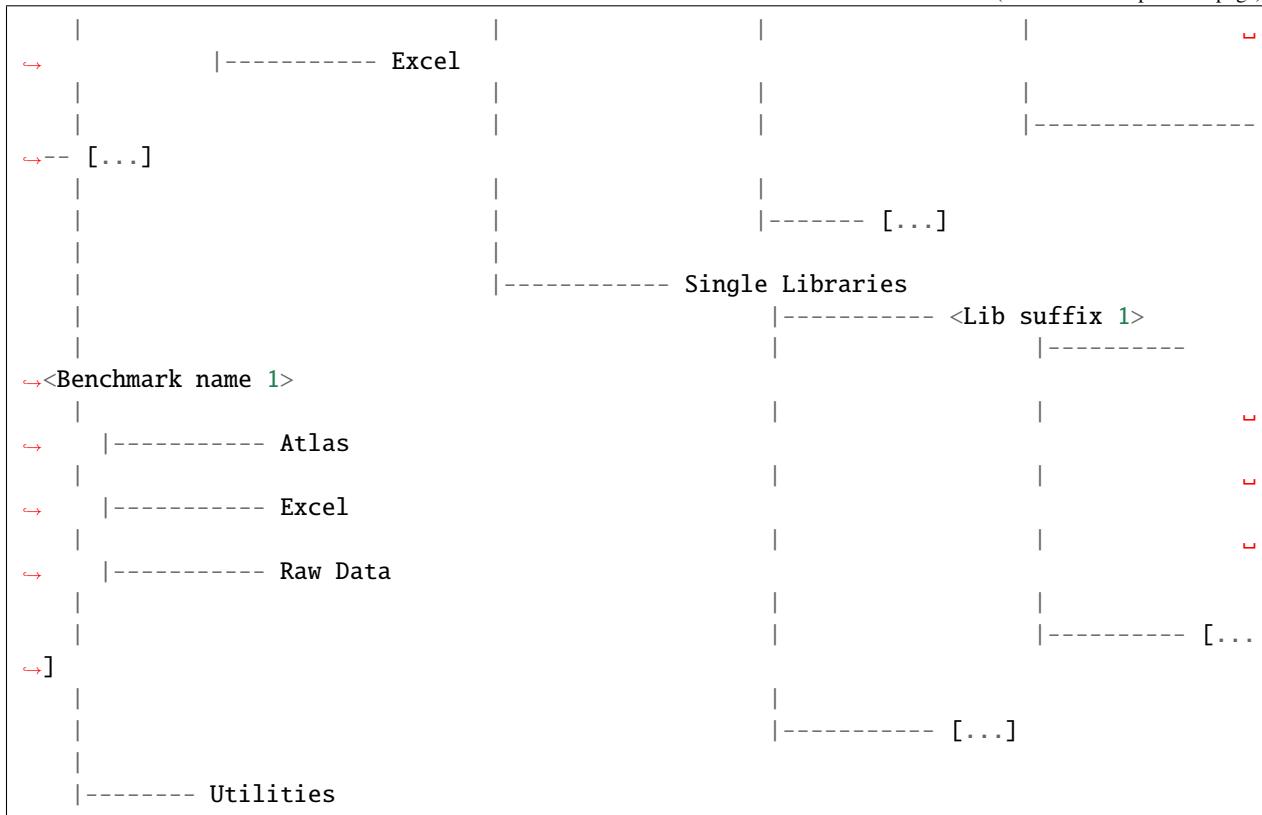
    |----- [Quality]

    |----- Tests
    |       |----- MCNP simulations
    |           |----- <Lib suffix 1>
    |           |           |----- <Benchmark name 1>
    |           |           |----- [...]
    |           |----- [...]

    |       |----- Post-Processing
    |           |----- Comparisons
    |               |----- <lib 1>_Vs_<lib 2>_Vs....
    |               |----- [...]
    |----- <Benchmark name 1>
    |           |----- Atlas
```

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<JADE\_root> is the root folder chosen by the user. As described in [Installation](#) section, the JADE GitHub repo should be renamed and placed inside the root directory as <JADE\_root>\Code.

All folders parallel to the <JADE\_root>\Code will be created after the first JADE run.

Hereafter, a general overview of the different JADE tree branches is presented.

### 3.1 Benchmark inputs

<JADE\_root>\Benchmark inputs contains all the inputs of the default benchmarks available in the JADE suite. This is the folder where eventual user defined benchmark inputs should be positioned. In case of benchmarks that are composed by more than one run, all the inputs are reunited in a sub-folder (e.g. <JADE\_root>\Benchmark inputs\Oktavian).

<JADE\_root>\Benchmark inputs\VRT folder is especially important. Here, in specific subfolders, can be found all additional files required by the benchmark inputs (e.g. weight window files, irradiation files, reactions file, etc.)

## 3.2 Code

<JADE\_root>\Code contains the JADE GitHub repo itself. All the source code is contained here together with the following subfolders:

**default\_settings** Contains all JADE default settings. On the first JADE instance these are copied to the <JADE\_root>\Configuration folder. They can be restored by a dedicated utility function available from the main menu.

**docs** Contains all files related to this documentation. Here, local version of the documentations can be found.

**install\_files** Contains files to be used during the first JADE run. They have not any appeal to the general user.

**templates** Contains all the Microsoft Office and Word templates to be used during post-processing. In case of user-defined benchmarks that are based on specific templates, these need to be added here.

**tests** Contains all the .py files to be run with pytest and folders containing files useful for the testing activity

## 3.3 Configuration

<JADE\_root>\Configuration stores the main JADE configuration file Config.xlsx and all benchmark-specific configuration files that are stored in <JADE\_root>\Code\Benchmarks\_Configuration.

**See also:**

*Configuration* for additional description of the configuration files.

## 3.4 Experimental results

<JADE\_root>\Experimental\_results stores all the experimental results needed for the post-processing of experimental benchmarks. In case of benchmarks that are composed by more than one run, all the inputs are reunited in a sub-folder (e.g. <JADE\_root>\Experimental\_results\Oktavian).

## 3.5 Quality

This space has been reserved but Quality branch is **not being implemented** for the time being.

## 3.6 Tests

<JADE\_root>\Tests reunites all the outputs of the benchmarks assessments.

**MCNP simulations** contains the results of the transport simulations.

**Post-Processing** contains all the results coming from the post-processing of results. These are divided between *Comparisons* and *Single Libraries*.

## 3.7 Utilities

<JADE\_root>\Tests is where all outputs coming from the *Utilities* are reunited. Each utility generates a dedicated sub-folder when is used for the first time. Upon installation, the only sub-folder is <JADE\_root>\Tests\Log\_Files that contains all log files produced by each JADE session.

## CONFIGURATION

All configuration files are included in the <JADE\_root>\Configuration directory. In principle, **the general user should only operate on the *Main Configuration* file**, while all other configuration files simply guarantee an additional level of personalization for the user.

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**Note:** In case of user-defined benchmarks suitable *Benchmark run configuration* and *Benchmark post-processing configuration* files need to be produced.

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**Note:** Every time a new D1S library is added to the user xsdir, in order to use it in JADE a specific sheet must be added in the *Activation File*.

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### 4.1 Main Configuration

The most important configuration file is <JADE\_root>\Configuration\Config.xlsx. This is **the only configuration file that the user must modify** before operating with JADE. Herafter, a description of the different sheets included in the file is given.

#### 4.1.1 MAIN Config.

MAIN CONFIGURATION VARIABLES	
xsdir Path	C:\Users\d.laghi\Documents\MCNP\MCNP_DATA\xsdir_mcnp6.2
multithread	True
CPU	4

This sheet contains the JADE *ambient variables*:

**xsdir Path** Absolute path to the xsdir file that has been set to be used during MCNP simulations. If different codes are used that use different xsdir file (e.g. mcnp5 and mcnp6) the user should make sure that all libraries of interest are included in the xsdir file indicated in this variable.

**multithread** Under Windows operative system, MCNP allows to run on multithread using the tasks keyword. Setting this variable to True enables this capability.

**CPU** When **multithread** is set to True, **CPU** sets the argument that will be passed to tasks during MCNP runs.

## 4.1.2 Computational benchmarks

Computational benchmark additional options									
Default Benchmarks									
Description	File Name	OnlyInput	Run	Post-Processing	NPS cut-off	CTME cut-off	Relative Error cut-off	Custom Input	Code
Sphere Leakage Test	Sphere.i	false	true	true		500		10	mcnp6
ITER 1D (by M. Sawan)	ITER_1D.i	false	true	true	5.00E+07				mcnp6
Helium Cooled Pebbled Bed Test Blanket Module (1D)	HCPB_TBM_1D.i	false	true	true	1.00E+07				mcnp6
Water Cooled Lithium Lead Test Blanket Module (1D)	WCLL_TBM_1D.i	false	true	false	1.00E+07				mcnp6
C-Model R181031 rev190715	C_Model.i	false	false	false	1.00E+08				mcnp6
ITER Cylindrical benchmark for SDDR	ITER_Cyl_SDDR.i	false	false	false	5.00E+08				D1S5
Sphere SDDR	SphereSDDR.i	false	false	false	1.00E+08			5	D1S5

This table collects allows to personalize which *computational benchmarks* should be included in the JADE assessment. Each row controls a different benchmark, where the following options (columns) are available:

**Description** this is the extended name of the benchmark, this name will appear in specific outputs of the post-processing.

**File Name** name of the reference MCNP input file. These need to be placed in <JADE root>\Benchmarks inputs.

**OnlyInput** when this field is set to True the benchmark input is only generated but not run. This can be useful when the user wants to run the benchmark on a different hardware with respect to the one where JADE is being used.

**See also:**

*External Run of a benchmark*

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**Note:** This input has priority with respect to the ‘Run’ one, i.e., if both are set to True, the inputs will be only generated and not run.

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**Run** the benchmark will be run during an assessment only if this field is set to True. This allows to customize the selection of benchmarks to be run during an assessment or avoid to re-run benchmarks that were already simulated in the past.

**Post-Processing** this field works exactly as the Run one but for the post-processing operations.

The last three options available for each benchmark control the MCNP STOP card parameters that help regulating the simulation lenght:

**NPS cut-off** this is equivalent to the NPS entry in the MCNP STOP card. It sets a maximum amount of histories to be simulated. Only integers are allowed.

**CTME cut-off** this is equivalent to the CTME entry in the MCNP STOP card. It sets a maximum computer time after which the simulation will be interrupted. Only integers are allowed.

**Relative Error cut-off** this is equivalent to the F entry in the MCNP STOP card. The syntax of this entry is:

F<k>-<e> (example: F16-0.0005)

This stops the calculation when the tally fluctuation chart of tally *k* has reached a relative error lower than *e*.

**Custom input** New in version v1.3.0: This column allows to provide custom inputs to the different benchmarks. For the moment, this is used only in the *Sphere Leakage* and *Sphere SDDR* benchmarks where, if a number *n* is specified, this will limit the test to the first *n* isotope and material simulations (useful for testing).

**Code** New in version v1.3.0: This column is needed to specify which kind of code needs to be used for each benchmark. The available codes are defined at the very beginning of the <JADE root>\Code\testrun.py by a dictionary linking tags to be used in the config. file and actual names of the executables to be used.

```
CODE_TAGS = {'mcnp6': 'mcnp6', 'D1S5': 'd1suned3.1.2'}
```

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**Note:** All three STOP parameters can be simultaneously defined during a simulation. The first cut-off criteria reached will be the one triggering the end of the calculation.

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### 4.1.3 Experimental benchmarks

Computational benchmark additional options										
Default Benchmarks										
Description	File Name	OnlyInput	Run	Post-Processing	NPS cut-off	CTME cut-off	Relative Error cut-off	Custom Input	Code	
Oktavian Experiment	Oktavian	false	true	true	1.00E+07					mcnpc6
Frascati Neutron Generator SDDR experiment	FNG	false	false	false	5.00E+08					D155

The structure of the sheet is exactly the same as the *Computational benchmarks* one. Nevertheless, in this table are indicated the settings for the experimental benchmarks.

### 4.1.4 Libraries

Suffix	Name	Default
21c	FENDL 2.1c	
30c	FENDL 3.0	
31c	FENDL 3.1d	
32c	FENDL 3.2 beta	
70c	ENDF VII	
00c	ENDF VIII	yes

This table simply consists of a glossary where the user can associate more explicit names to the nuclear data libraries suffixes available in the xsdir file. This allows for a clearer post-processing output.

**Warning:** Do not use invalid filename characters (e.g. "\") in the names assigned to the libraries!

## 4.2 Activation File

<b>Parent</b>	<b>MF</b>	<b>MT</b>	<b>Reaction</b>	<b>Daughter</b>
O16	13	103	(n,p)	N16
F19	13	16	(n,2n)	F18
Na23	13	102	(n, $\gamma$ )+(n, $\gamma$ )*	Na24
Al27	13	107	(n, $\alpha$ )+(n, $\alpha$ )*	Na24
Cr50	13	102	(n, $\gamma$ )	Cr51
Cr52	13	16	(n,2n)	Cr51
Mn55	13	16	(n,2n)	Mn54
	13	102	(n, $\gamma$ )	Mn56
Fe54	13	103	(n,p)	Mn54
	13	107	(n, $\alpha$ )	Cr51
Fe56	13	103	(n,p)	Mn56
	13	105	(n,t)	Mn54
Fe57	13	28	(n,np)	Mn56
	13	104	(n,d)	Mn56
Fe58	13	102	(n, $\gamma$ )	Fe59
	13	105	(n,t)	Mn56

The `<JADE_root>\Configuration\Activation.xlsx` file stores all the reactions available in the different versions of the D1S-UNED activation libraries. For each library a sheet needs to be added having as name the suffix used in the xsdir file for the library. Only three columns in the table are mandatory and these are the **Parent**, **MT** and **Daughter** ones.

## 4.3 Benchmark run configuration

for the *Sphere Leakage* and for the *Sphere SDDR* benchmarks ad-hoc run configuration file are defined and can be found in the `<JADE_root>\Configuration\Sphere` and `<JADE_root>\Configuration\SphereSDDR` folders. These are .csv files that control for each element or typical material the following run parameters:

**NPS cut-off** specifies the number of particle histories to be set in the MCNP STOP card.

**CTME cut-off** specifies the total computer time to be set in the MCNP STOP card.

**Relative Error cut-off** specifies a precision limit for a tally to be set in the MCNP STOP card.

**Density [g/cc]** specifies the density to be considered in the sphere for the isotope/typical material.

**Name** name to be used during post-processing (e.g. Hydrogen or SS316L(N)-IG)

**Symbol** element symbol (e.g. H) or material number (e.g. M400). In case of material number the id must be consistent with the ones indicated in the `<JADE_root>\Benchmarks\inputs\TypicalMaterials` file.

**Z [Only for elements]** element number (e.g. 1 for H).

**Let Override** If True, the general settings specified in the *Main Configuration* file for the STOP card are considered to have priority on the specific ones. If False, the specific parameters are not overridden by the general ones.

## 4.4 Benchmark post-processing configuration

It is possible to control (to some extent) the post-processing of each benchmark via its specific configuration file. These files are located in the <JADE\_root>\Configuration\Benchmarks Configuration folder and their name must be identical to the one used in the File Name field in the main configuration file (using the .xlsx extension instead of the .i). These files are available only for computational benchmarks, since the high degree of customization needed for an experimental benchmark makes quite difficult to standardize them. While computational benchmarks can be added to the JADE suite without the need for additional coding, this is not true also for experimental one.

The files contain two main sheets, that respectively regulate the Excel and the Word/PDF (i.e., Atlas) post-processing output.

#### 4.4.1 Excel

Tally	x	x name	y	y name	cut Y
4	Energy	Energy [MeV]	Cells	Cell	20
14	Energy	Energy [MeV]	Cells	Cell	20
6	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
16	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
26	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
24	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
34	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
44	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
54	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
64	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
74	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
84	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
94	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
104	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
114	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
124	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
134	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
144	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
154	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
164	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
174	Energy	Energy [MeV]	Cells	Cell	20
204	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	
214	Cells	Cell	tally	Value	

This sheet regulates the Excel output derived from the benchmark. It consists of a table where each row regulates the output of a single tally present in the MCNP input.

Hereinafter a description of the available fields is reported.

**Tally** tally number according to MCNP input file.

**x, y** select the binnings to be used for the presentation of the excel results of the specific tally. Clearly, the binning should have been coherently defined in the MCNP input too. MCNP allows different types of tally binning, they can be accessed using the tags reported in the table below.

Table 1: Allowed binnings

Admissible <b>x</b> and <b>y</b>
Energy
Cells
time
tally
Dir
User
Segments
Multiplier
Cosine
Cor A
Cor B
Cor C

As a result of the selected **x** and **y** option, the results of the post-processed tally will be display in a matrix format. In case only a single binning is defined in the MCNP input, the **tally** keyword should be used to signal to JADE to just to print the results in a column format.

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**Important:** The main direction of an Excel file is considered to be the vertical one, which is the preferred scrolling direction. For this reason, the **x** direction is associated with the vertical direction in an Excel file and the **y** with the horizontal one.

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**Warning:** No more than two binnings should be defined for a single MCNP tally due to the limitation of having to represent 2-D output. JADE may be able to handle tallies with more than 2 binnings if some of them are constant values.

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**Tip:** If a 1D FMESH is defined in the MCNP input, JADE will automatically transform it to a “binned” tally and handle it as any other tally using the **Cor A**, **Cor B** or **Cor C** field.

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**x name, y name** These will be the names associated to the **x** and **y** axis printed in the excel file.

**cut Y** The idea behind JADE is to produce outputs that are easy to investigate simply by scrolling and concentrate on the main results highlighted through colors. Having a high number of bins both in the **x** and **y** axis may cause a problem in this sense, forcing the user to scroll on both axis. For this reason, a maximum number of columns can be set to solve this issue. This will cause the tally results not to be printed as a unique matrix but as sequential blocks each with a number of columns equal to **cut Y**.

#### 4.4.2 Atlas

Tally	Quantity	Unit	Binned graph	Ratio graph
4	Neutron Flux	#/cm <sup>2</sup>	True	False
14	Photon Flux	#/cm <sup>2</sup>	True	False
6	Total Nuclear Heating	W/g	False	True
16	Neutron Heating	W/g	False	True
26	Photon Heating	W/g	False	True
24	DPA in Fe	dpa/FPY	False	False
34	Helium production in SS316	appm/FPY	False	False
44	Hydrogen production in SS316	appm/FPY	False	False
54	Tritium production in SS316	appm/FPY	False	False
64	DPA in Cu	dpa/FPY	False	False
74			False	False
84			False	False
94			False	False
104			False	False
114			False	False
124			False	False
134			False	False
144			False	False
154			False	False
164			False	False
174			False	False
204	Neutron Flux	#/cm <sup>2</sup>	False	True
214	Photon Flux	#/cm <sup>2</sup>	False	True

This sheet regulates the Atlas output (Word/PDF) derived from the benchmark. It consists of a table where each row regulates the output of a single tally present in the MCNP input. Hereinafter a description of the available fields is reported.

**Tally** tally number according to MCNP input file.

**Quantity** Physical quantity that will be plotted on the y-axis of the plot. For the x-axis the one specified in the Excel sheet under x will be considered. The quantity selected for plotting will always be the tallied quantity.

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**Important:** when two binnings are specified in the Excel sheet, a different plot for each of the y bins will be produced. For example, let's consider a neutron flux tally binned both in energy (selected as x) and cells (selected as y). Then, a plot showing the neutron flux as a function of energy will be produced for each cell. On the contrary, if the cell binning is assigned to x and the energy one to y, a plot showing the neutron flux as a function of the cell would be produced for each energy interval.

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**Unit** Unit associated to the Quantity.

**<Graph type>** Different columns can be added where it can be specified if a plot in the style indicated by the column name should be generated (true) or not (false). The available plot styles are *Binned graph*, *Ratio Graph*,

*Experimental points and Grouped bars.*

**See also:**

[Plots Atlas](#) for an additional description of the available plot styles.



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## CHAPTER

# FIVE

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# USAGE

Once JADE is correctly configured (for additional details see *Configuration*), the application can be started from the ‘Code’ folder with:

```
python main.py
```

The main menu is loaded at this point:

```
*****
        Welcome to JADE v1.4.0
        A nuclear libraries V&V Test Suite
        Release date: 29/10/2021

        MAIN MENU

        Powered by NIER, UNIBO, F4E
*****
MAIN FUNCTIONS

* Open Quality check menu          (qual)
* Open Computational Benchmark menu (comp)
* Open Experimental Benchmark menu (exp)
* Open Post-Processing menu        (post)
-----
UTILITIES

* Print available libraries         (printlib)
* Restore default configurations   (restore)
* Translate an MCNP input          (trans)
* Print materials info             (printmat)
* Generate material                (generate)
* Switch fractions                 (switch)
* Change ACE lib suffix            (acelib)
* Produce D1S Reaction file       (react)
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* Test installation                (test)

* Exit                            (exit)

Enter action:
```

This menu allows users to interact with the tool directly from the command prompt via pre-defined commands. The following main option are available typing from the main menu:

- qual not currently supported;
- comp opens the *Computational Benchmark menu*;
- exp opens the *Experimental Benchmark menu*;
- post opens the *Post-processing menu*;
- exit exit the application.

Additionaly to these main options, a series of “utilities” can be also accessed from the main menu. These are a collection of side-tools initially developed for JADE that nevertheless can be useful also as stand-alone tools. A detailed description of these functionalities can be found in *Utilities*.

## 5.1 Quality check menu

Not implemented.

## 5.2 Computational Benchmark menu

```
*****
        Welcome to JADE v1.1.0
        A nuclear libraries V&V Test Suite
        Release date: 25/05/2021

        COMPUTATIONAL BENCHMARK MENU

        Powered by NIER, UNIBO, F4E
*****

* Print available libraries          (printlib)
* Assess library                   (assess)
* Continue assessment             (continue)
* Back to main menu                (back)
* Exit                            (exit)

Enter action:
```

The following options are available in the computational benchmark menu:

- **printlib** print to video all the available nuclear data libraries in the xsdir file selected during JADE configuration;
- **assess** start the assessment of a selected library on the computational benchmarks. The library is specified directly from the console when the selection is prompted to video. The library must be contained in the xsdir file (available libraries can be explored using **printlib**);
- **continue** **currently, this option is implemented only for the Sphere Leakage benchmark.** Continue a previously interrupted assessment for a selected library. The codes scans for all isotopes and materials in the sphere

benchmarks and checks if the mctal file has been produced. If not, it deletes the eventual output files and (re)runs the simulation.

- **back** go back to the main menu;
- **exit** exit the application.

The selection of the libraries is done indicating their correspondent suffix specified in the xsdir file (e.g. 31c). Activation benchmarks need to be run separately since they require two different libraries to be specified: one for activation and one for transport. Activation library must always be specified first (e.g. 99c-31c).

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**Note:** Whenever an assessment is requested, all the benchmarks selected in the main configuration file will be considered. In case the requested library was already assessed on one or more of the active benchmarks, the user will be asked for permission before overriding the results.

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**See also:**

*Configuration* for additional details on the benchmark selection.

## 5.3 Experimental Benchmark menu

```
*****
        Welcome to JADE v1.1.0
        A nuclear libraries V&V Test Suite
        Release date: 25/05/2021

        EXPERIMENTAL BENCHMARK MENU

        Powered by NIER, UNIBO, F4E
*****
* Print available libraries          (printlib)
* Assess library                   (assess)
* Continue assessment             (continue)
* Back to main menu                (back)
* Exit                            (exit)

Enter action:
```

The following options are available in the experimental benchmark menu:

- **printlib** print to video all the available nuclear data libraries in the xsdir file selected during JADE configuration;
- **assess** start the assessment of a selected library on the experimental benchmarks. The library is specified directly from the console when the selection is prompted to video. The library must be contained in the xsdir file (available libraries can be explored using **printlib**);
- **continue** [not implemented]
- **back** go back to the main menu;
- **exit** exit the application.

The selection of the libraries is done indicating their correspondent suffix specified in the xsdir file (e.g. 31c). Activation benchmarks need to be run separately since they require two different libraries to be specified: one for activation and one for transport. Activation library must always be specified first (e.g. 99c-31c).

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**Note:** Whenever an assessment is requested, all the benchmarks selected in the main configuration file will be considered. In case the requested library was already assessed on one or more of the active benchmarks, the user will be asked for permission before overriding the results.

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**See also:**

*Configuration* for additional details on the benchmark selection.

## 5.4 Post-processing menu

```
*****
        Welcome to JADE v1.1.0
        A nuclear libraries V&V Test Suite
        Release date: 25/05/2021

        POST PROCESSING MENU

        Powered by NIER, UNIBO, F4E
*****
* Print tested libraries          (printlib)
* Post-Process library           (pp)
* Compare libraries              (compare)
* Compare Vs Experiments        (compexp)
* Back to main menu              (back)
* Exit                           (exit)

Enter action:
```

The following options are available in the post-processing menu:

- **printlib** print all libraries that were tested and that are available for post-processing;
- **pp** post-process a single library;
- **compare** compare different libraries results on computational benchmarks;
- **compexp** compare different libraries results on experimental benchmarks;
- **back** go back to the main menu;
- **exit** exit the application.

For the **pp**, **compare** and **compexp** the selection of the libraries will be directly prompt to video. The selection of the libraries is done indicating their correspondent suffix specified in the xsdir file (e.g. 31c). When comparing more than one library, the suffixes should be separated by a ‘-’ (e.g. 31c-32c). The first library that is indicated is always considered as the *reference library* for the post-processing. There may be a limitation on the number of libraries that can be compared at once depending on the post-processing settings.

Only one library at the time can be post-processed with the pp option. Nevertheless, when a comparison is requested that includes libraries that were not singularly post-processed, an automatic pp operation is conducted on them.

**Warning:** Please note that `printlib` will simply show all libraries for which at least one benchmark has been run.

**Warning:** Please note that part of the single post-processing of the libraries is used in the comparisons. Also, JADE does not perform any checks on the consistency between the two. This responsibility is left to the user. The following is an example of incorrect usage that can lead to erroneous results:

1. a first assessment is run;
2. single post-processing is completed;
3. some configuration settings are changed and the assessment is re-run;
4. a comparison is requested.

In this case, JADE cannot know that the first single post-processing was done on a different benchmark run with respect to the requested comparison. As a result, the outputs coming from different assessments will be mixed up.

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**Note:** Whenever a post-processing is requested, all the benchmarks selected in the main configuration file will be considered. In case one or more of the requested libraries were already post-processed on one or more of the active benchmarks, the user will be asked for permission before overriding the post-processing results.

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#### See also:

*Configuration* for additional details on the benchmark selection.



## DEFAULT BENCHMARKS

This section describe more in detail all the default benchmarks that have been implemented in JADE dividing them between computational and experimental benchmarks.

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**Important:**

- Not all benchmark inputs and related files can be distributed together with JADE due to licensing reasons. In case the user provide evidence of licensing rights on specific benchmarks, the JADE team will provide the missing input which, once copied in the <JADE\_root>\Benchmark\_inputs folder, allow to correctly run them.
  - For some of the benchmarks, weight windows (WW) have been produced and necessary for the benchmark run. Unfortunately, these WW are often too heavy for them to be distributed with Git. These files must be downloaded separately and inserted in a suitable folder in <JADE\_root>\Benchmark\_inputs\VRT.
  - The benchmarks included in JADE can be also divided between **transport** benchmarks (usually associated with classical MCNP) and **activation** benchmarks (usually associated with D1S-UNED). It is recommended to run these two benchmarks categories separately, mostly because they require a different input in terms of library to be assessed. If transport Benchmarks expect a single library (e.g. 31c), activation one require two: an activation library and a transport one for all zuids that cannot be activated (e.g. 99c-31c).
  - In activation benchmarks, the library that is considered the assessed one is always the activation library (i.e. the first provided). No track is kept during the post-processing of which was the transport library used and it is responsibility of the user to make sure that comparisons between activation libraries results are done in a coherent way. That is, the same transport library should be always used.
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### 6.1 Computational Benchmarks

#### 6.1.1 Sphere Leakage

The Sphere Leakage benchmark is arguably the most important benchmark included in the JADE suite. Indeed, it allows to test individually each single isotope of the nuclear data library under assessment plus some typically used material in the ITER project namely:

- Water;
- Ordinary Concrete;
- Boron Carbide;
- SS316L(N)-IG;
- Natural Silicon;
- Polyethylene (non-borated).

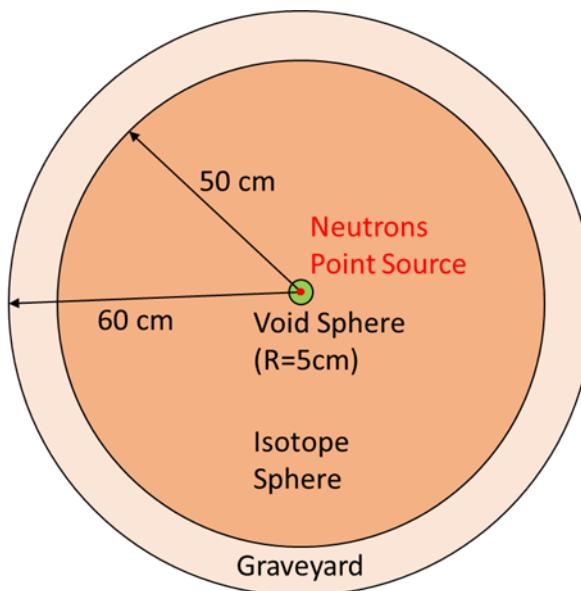


Fig. 1: Sphere Leakage geometrical model

### Geometry and run parameters

The Sphere Leakage geometry consists of actually three concentric spheres. The inner one is void and has a radius of 5 cm. Here is located the uniform probability 0-14 MeV neutron point source. The second sphere has a radius of 50 cm and it is composed entirely by a single isotope or a typical ITER material. Finally, the last 60 cm radius sphere acts as a graveyard where particles importance is set to zero and the boundary of the model is defined.

Other two important settings that needed to be defined were the choice of the sphere density and of the MCNP STOP card parameters. Since to impose a single density equal for all materials and zuids was not a valid option, in order to keep some kind of physical meaning in the results, as default densities the one computed using NTP (Normal Temperature and Pressure) conditions were used. These are defined at 20 °C and 101325 Pa (1 atm). Even if these values work quite well with solids, they cause gases to perform poorly in terms of tally scoring. This happens due to the substantially lower density in NTP conditions for gases when compared to solids, resulting in too few interactions of the neutrons and secondary photons with the material. This has been proven to be especially true for hydrogen and helium, leading to the choice of selecting their liquid phase density instead. Another issue was encountered when simulating fissile isotopes like U235. A 1 m diameter sphere containing a pure fissile isotopes at NTP density is an extremely super-critical geometrical configuration and the high number of secondary particles (i.e. other neutrons) produced caused the simulations to fail due to memory limitations. For this reason, the density of these isotopes was imposed equal to 1 g/cc as if an aerosol was considered.

Finally, the STOP card parameters were optimized. MCNP allows to stop a simulation based either on: \* the precision reached in a specified tally; \* the number of histories (NPS); \* the total elapsed computer time (i.e. the sum of computer time used by all CPUs).

The optimization of such parameters for each element was done through trial and error with the aim of finding a good balance between computational cost and enough precise results. These parameters are provided by default in JADE, but the user may modify them if necessary through benchmark-specific configuration files. Density values can be modified too. The files are located in <JADE\_root>\Configuration\Benchmarks Configuration\Sphere.

## Tallies

Both the transport of neutrons and of secondary photons are active and photons cut-off energy is left to the default value of 1 KeV. The following MCNP tallies are defined in the Sphere Leakage benchmark:

**Tally n. 2** Fine neutron flux at the external surface of the filled sphere. The flux is binned in energy using the Vitamin-J 175 energy group structure.

**Tally n. 12** Coarse neutron flux at the external surface of the filled sphere. The flux is binned in 5 energy groups: 1e-6, 0.1, 1, 10 and 20 MeV.

**Tally n. 32** Fine photon flux at the external surface of the filled sphere. The flux is binned in energy using the 24 group structure described in the FISPACT manual.

**Tally n. 22** Coarse photon flux at the external surface of the filled sphere. The flux is binned in 5 energy groups: 0.01, 0.1, 1, 10 and 20 MeV.

**Tally n. 4** Neutron heating computed in the filled sphere (F4+FM strategy).

**Tally n. 44** Photon heating computed in the filled sphere (F4+FM strategy).

**Tally n. 6** Neutron heating computed in the filled sphere (F6 strategy).

**Tally n. 16** Photon heating computed in the filled sphere (F6 strategy).

**Tally n. 14** Helium (He) ppm production in the filled sphere.

**Tally n. 24** Tritium (T) ppm production in the filled sphere.

**Tally n. 34** Displacement Per Atom (DPA) production in the filled sphere.

See also:

### Related papers and contributions:

- D. Laghi, M. Fabbri, L. Isolan, R. Pampin, M. Sumini, A. Portone and A. Trkov, 2020, “JADE, a new software tool for nuclear fusion data libraries verification & validation”, *Fusion Engineering and Design*, **161** 112075

## 6.1.2 ITER 1D

The ITER 1D benchmark developed by Prof. Sawan M. is a popular 1-Dimensional neutronic model used for nuclear data benchmarking in the fusion community. This consists of a simple but realistic model of the ITER TOKAMAK where the inboard and outboard portion of the machine and the plasma region are modelled by means of simple concentric cylindrical surfaces.

### Geometry and run parameters

As visible in the figure, the benchmarks geometry is uniquely composed by concentric cylindrical surfaces. A detailed description of the different layers is reported hereafter:

The plasma region includes a 14.1 MeV isotropic neutron source (characteristic of Deuterium-Tritium fusion reaction).

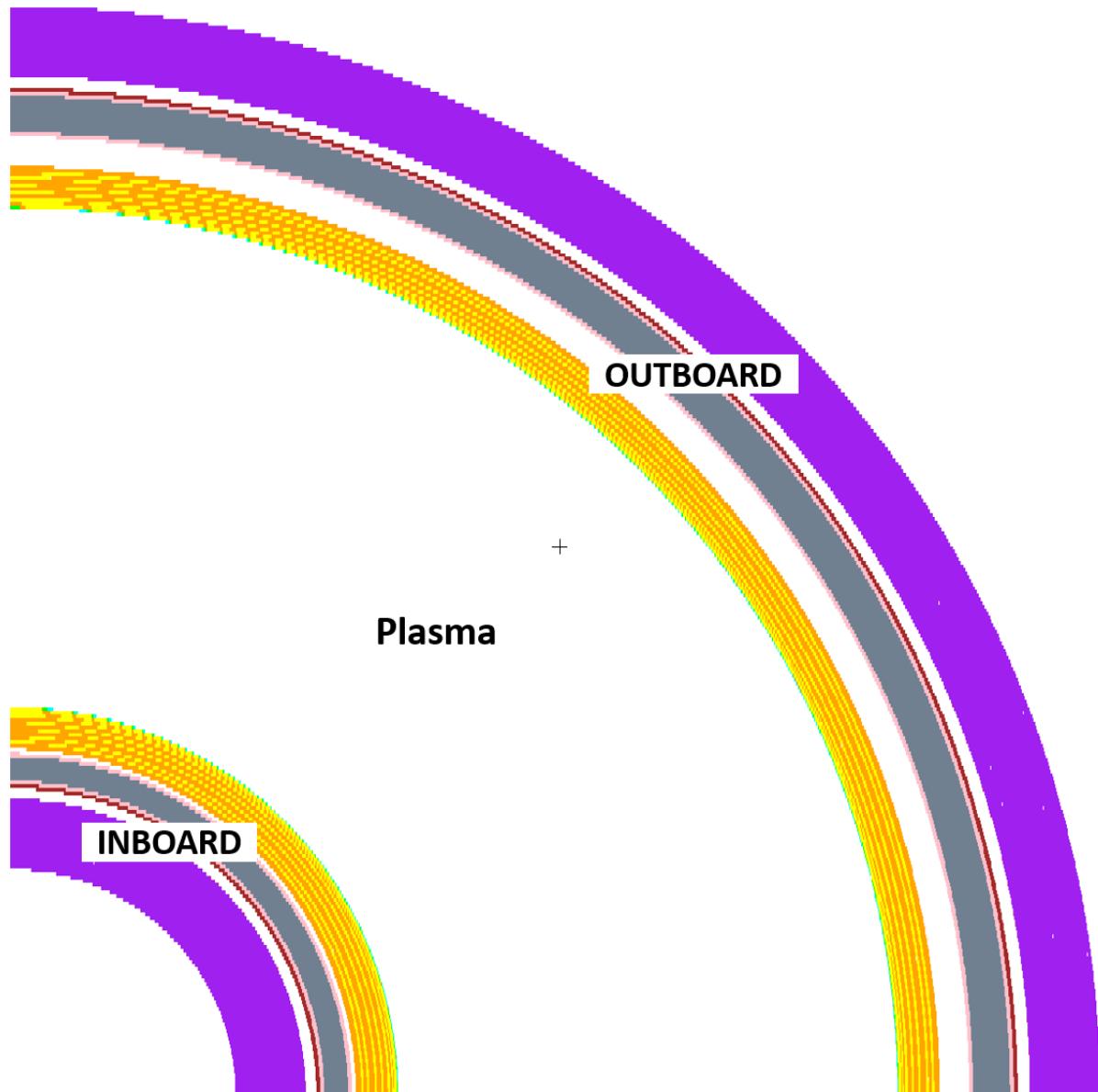


Fig. 2: ITER 1D MCNP geometry (quarter)

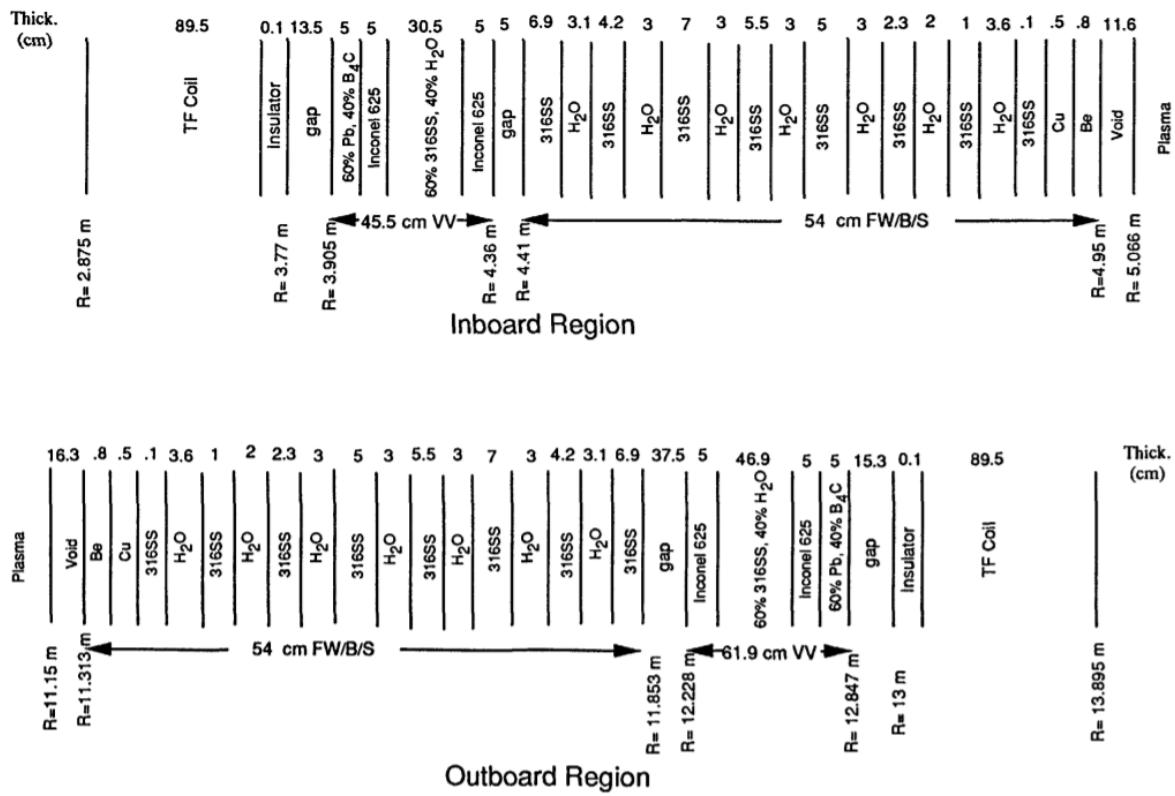


Fig. 3: Description of the layers composing the ITER 1D benchmark

## Tallies

Many quantities are tallied in the ITER 1D benchmark, the following is a thorough description of them.

**Tally n. 4** Neutron flux [#/cm<sup>2</sup>] (binned in Vitamin-J 175 energy groups) in 97 different MCNP cells located across the radial direction.

**Tally n. 204** Total neutron flux [#/cm<sup>2</sup>] at the same locations as Tally n. 4.

**Tally n. 14** Photon flux [#/cm<sup>2</sup>] (binned in energy) at the same locations as Tally n. 4. The energy bins limits are 0.1, 1, 5, 10 and 20.

**Tally n. 214** Total photon flux [#/cm<sup>2</sup>] at the same locations as Tally n. 4.

**Tally n. 6** Total nuclear heating [W/g], i.e., neutron plus photon heating at the same locations as Tally n. 4.

**Tally n. 16** Neutron heating [W/g] at the same locations as Tally n. 4.

**Tally n. 26** Photon heating [W/g] at the same locations as Tally n. 4.

**Tally n. 34** Helium production in steel.

**Tally n. 44** Hydrogen production in steel.

**Tally n. 54** Tritium production in steel.

**Tally n. 64** Displacement per atom (DPA) in Cu.

**Tally n. 74** Helium production in CuBeNi.

**Tally n. 84** Hydrogen production in CuBeNi.

**Tally n. 94** Tritium production in CuBeNi.

**Tally n. 104** DPA in Nickel.

**Tally n. 114** Helium production in Inconel.

**Tally n. 124** Hydrogen production in Inconel.

**Tally n. 134** Tritium production in Inconel.

**Tally n. 144** Helium production in Be.

**Tally n. 154** Hydrogen production in Inconel.

**Tally n. 164** Tritium production in Inconel.

**Tally n. 174** Fast (E>0.1 MeV) neutron fluence at magnets.

**See also:**

**Related papers and contributions:**

- M. Sawan, 1994, “FENDL Neutronics Benchmark: Specifications for the calculational and shielding benchmark”, (Vienna: INDC(NDS)-316)

### 6.1.3 Test Blanket Module

Tritium and Deuterium are the two main ingredients of the fusion reaction that is foreseen to be tested in ITER and that should guarantee sustainable energy production in DEMO. Deuterium is abundant in normal sea water and can be extracted relatively easily. Unfortunately, the same cannot be said for Tritium, whose short half life means that is not readily available in nature. For this reason, in order to be sustainable, TOKAMAKs will need to be able to produce, or “breed” all the tritium needed for their fusion reactions. Tritium breeding is not foreseen for the ITER power plant and the open point will need to be closed by DEMO instead. Nevertheless, ITER is a unique opportunity to test various breeding concepts and find out what will be the best solution to implement in DEMO, leading to the creation of the Test Blanket Module (TBM) project. These are prototypes of blanket sections (and their ancillaries) which have the capability to breed and store tritium for later use.

Building on the historical ITER 1D model, in 2020, two additional benchmark were generated by the F4E neutronic team which had a specific focus on the ITER TBM experiments. The ITER 1D original model was focused on shielding application and did not feature any port in the outboard region. On the contrary, in the new benchmarks, the outboard region was substituted with 1D models of the two proposed European concepts for the TBM: the Helium Cooled Pebbled bed (HCPB) and the Water Cooled Lithium Lead (WCLL).

**See also:**

*ITER 1D*

#### Geometry and run parameters

The benchmarks are focused on the TBM set (i.e. the actual blanket module) and on the shielding section that can be found behind it. While the shield section does not really change between the two different TBM concepts, the TBM sets do.

#### Tallies

All Tritium production tallies that were defined for the ITER 1D benchmark were retained also in the TBMs ones. Additionally, a 1-dimensional FMESH was placed on the outboard region (from R=830 up to R=1084.2) composed by 2000 bins. The following quantities were tallied on such grid:

**Tally n. 214** Neutron heating [MeV/cm<sup>3</sup>/n\_s].

**Tally n. 224** Photon heating [MeV/cm<sup>3</sup>/n\_s].

**Tally n. 234** Tritium production [atoms/cm<sup>3</sup>/n\_s].

**Tally n. 244** Neutron flux [#/cm<sup>3</sup>/n\_s].

**Tally n. 254** Photon flux [#/cm<sup>3</sup>/n\_s].

**See also:**

*ITER 1D*

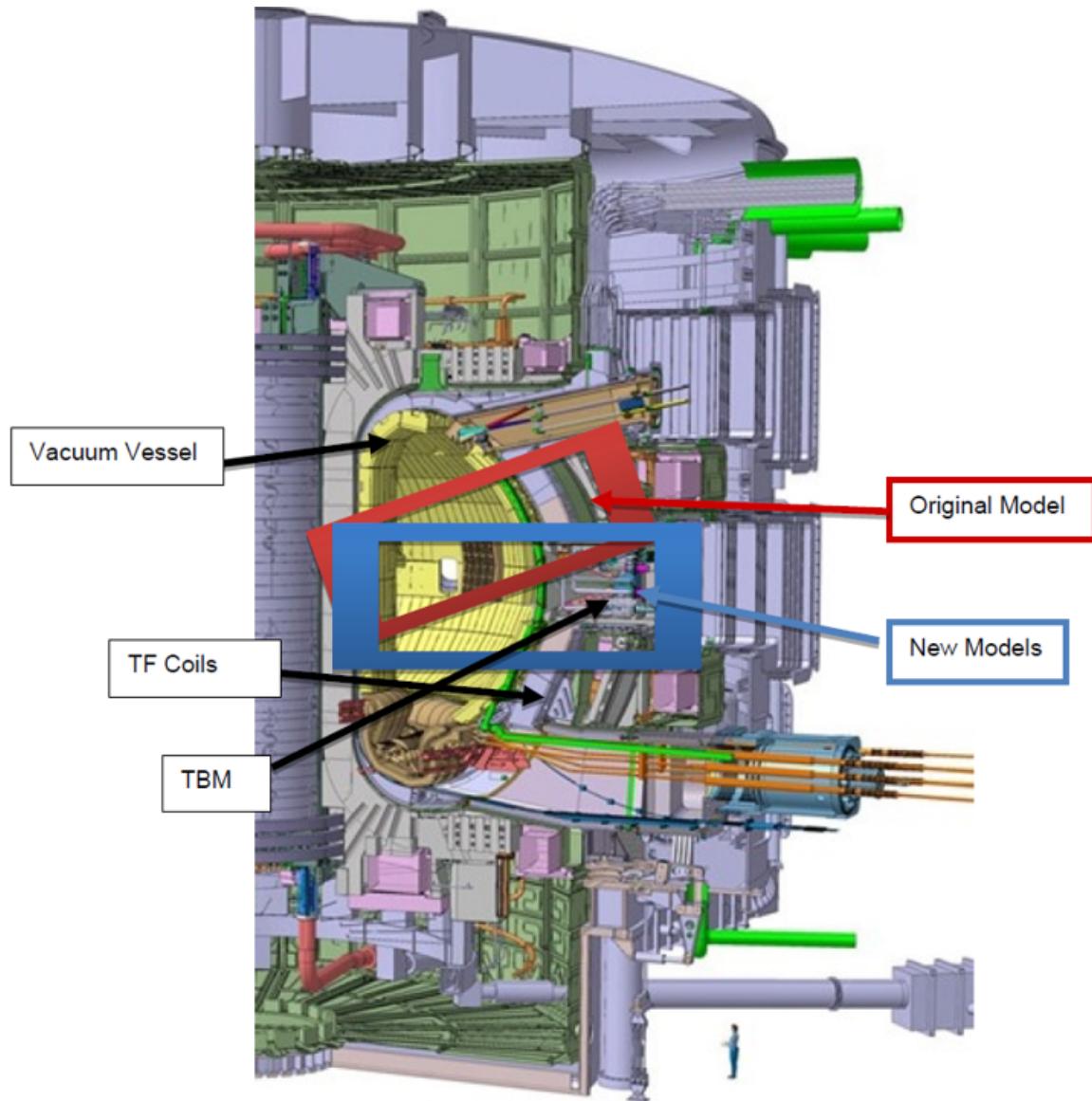


Fig. 4: Position of the MCNP model in the ITER tokamak

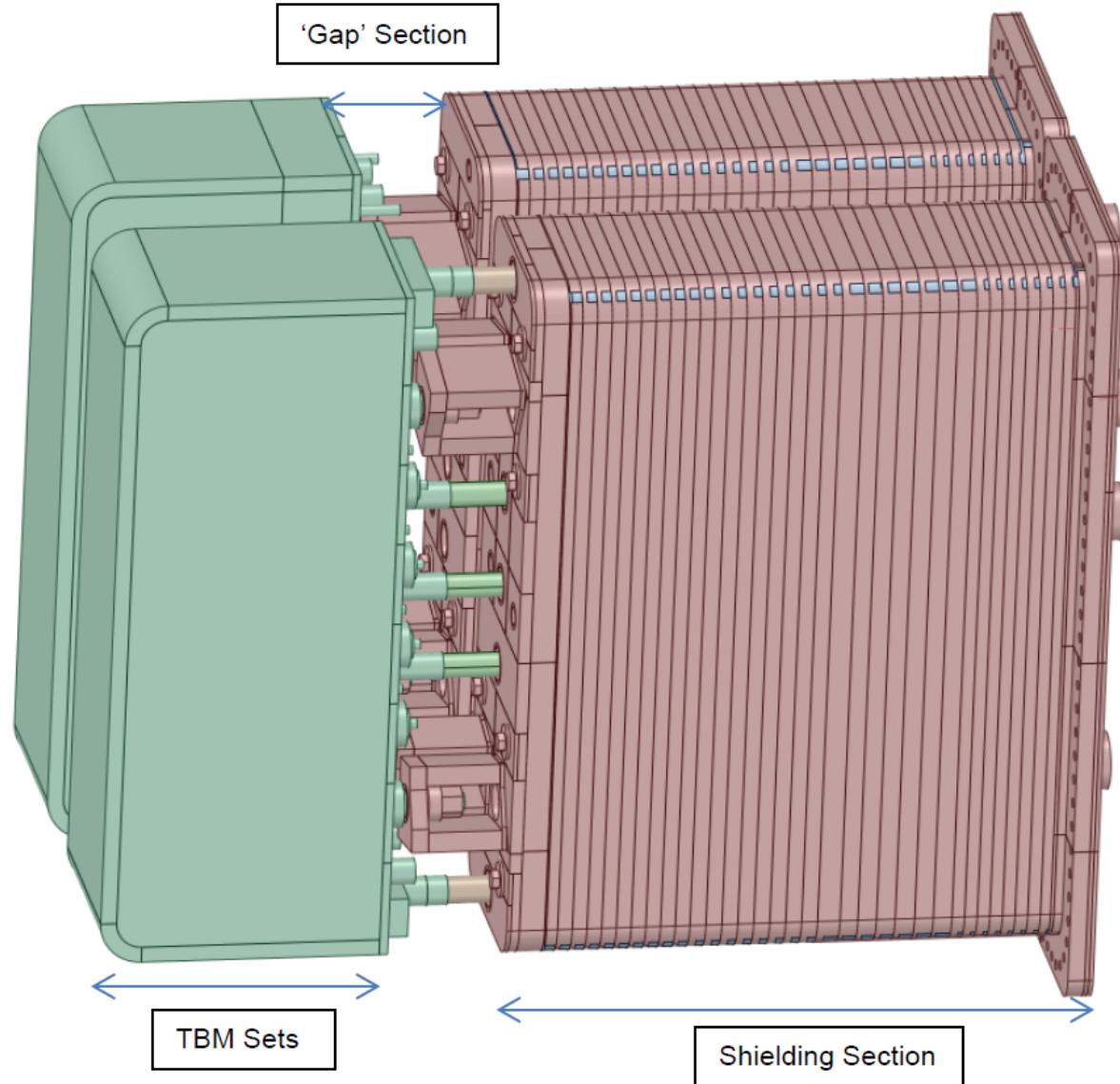


Fig. 5: CAD model of the TBM component

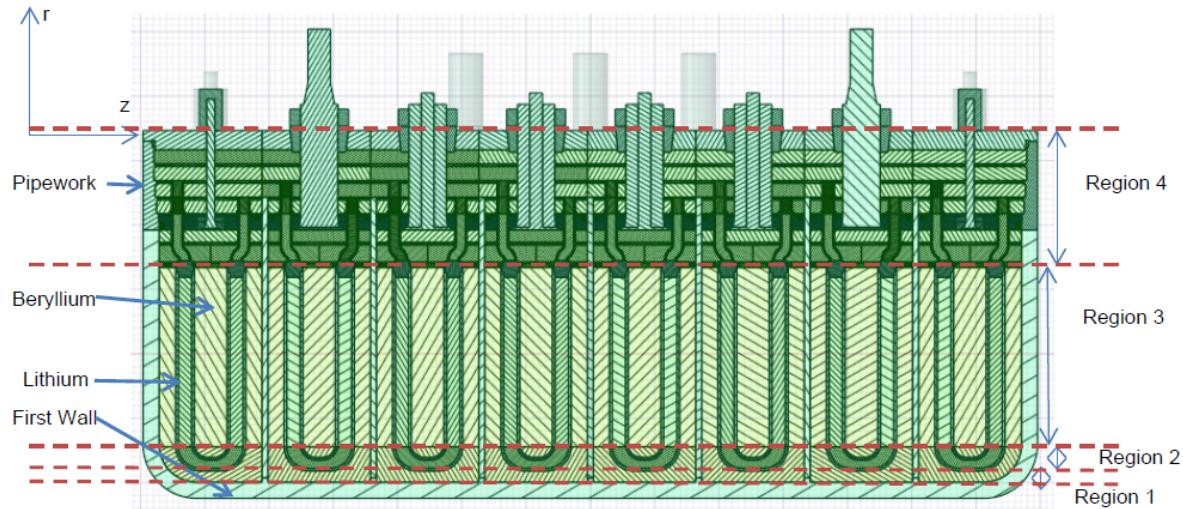


Fig. 6: Section of the CAD model of the HCPB TBM set

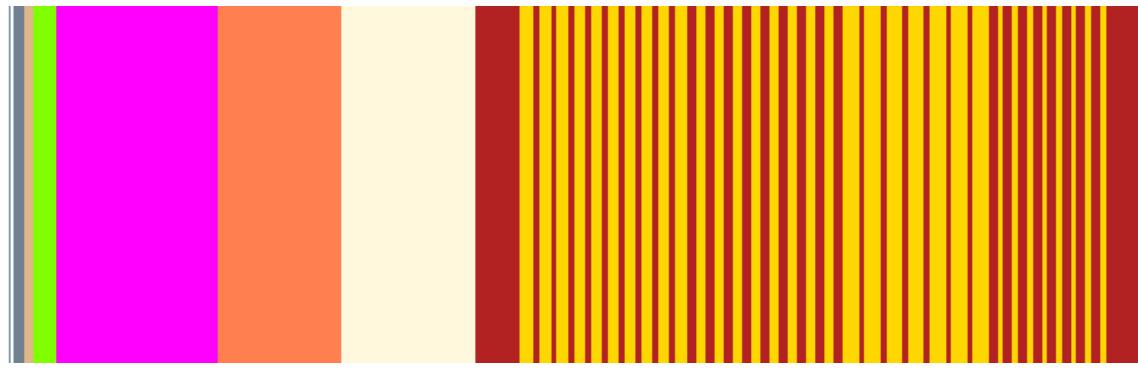


Fig. 7: Visualization of the TBM and shielding section in the 1D MCNP geometry

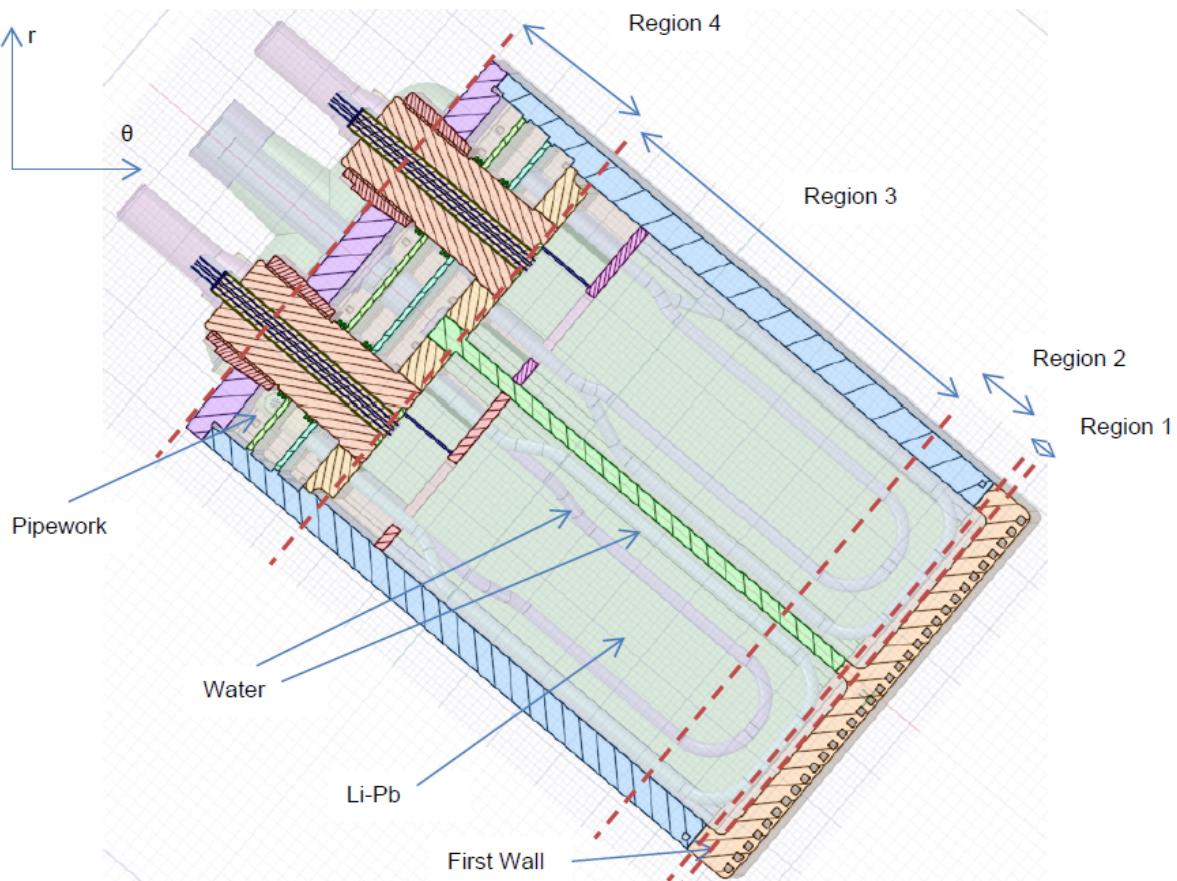


Fig. 8: Section of the CAD model of the WCLL TBM set

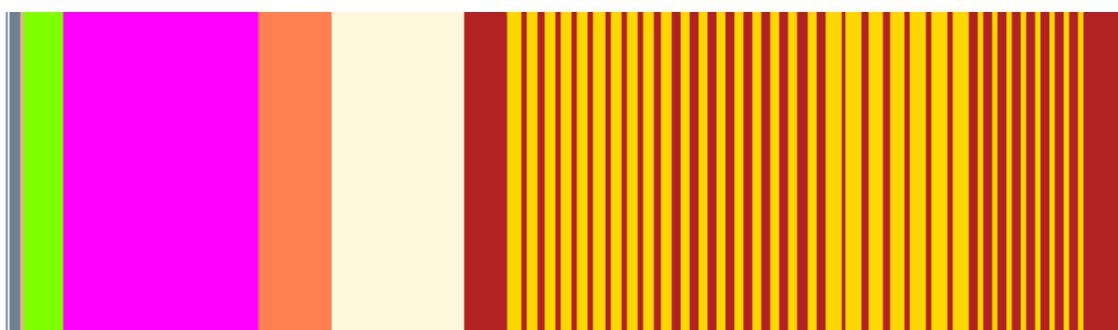


Fig. 9: Visualization of the TBM and shielding section in the 1D MCNP geometry

## C-Model

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**Important:** This benchmark input cannot be distributed directly with JADE. The user must request to obtain it from ITER organization and insert it in the <JADE root>\Benchmarks\inputs directory renaming it ‘C\_Model.i’.

The NPS card needs to be removed from the input. It is recommended to also delete total bins from standard tallies for a clearer post-processing results.

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During the long life of the ITER project, many neutronics models have been generated to represent the TOKAMAK machine. These are used to conduct neutronic analyses on the reactor in order to investigate many direct and indirect effects induced by neutrons like heat generation, particle generation, DPA, dose rate, etc. C-Model is an extremely detailed MCNP input of a 40° sector of ITER TOKAMAK. It was the most complete neutronic model available for the ITER machine until 2021, when E-lite was released which is a full 360° model of ITER that was conceived to overcome some limitation encountered using the C-Model for specific application. Nevertheless, since E-lite is an extremely heavy model, C-model is still considered a valid model to compute the possible impact on the nuclear responses over the ITER machine.

### Geometry and run parameters

Due to its complexity, a thorough description of the C-Model benchmark geometry is considered out of the scope of this work and can be found, instead, in a dedicated F4E report.

### Tallies

The C-model standard tallies have been used. They include neutron current, neutron current and nuclear heating at different locations.

#### See also:

#### Related papers and contributions:

- D. Leichtle, B. Colling, M. Fabbri, R. Juarez, M. Loughlin, R. Pampin, E. Polunovskiy, A. Serikov, A. Turner and L. Bertalot, 2018, “The ITER tokamak neutronics reference model C-Model”, *Fusion Engineering and Design*, **136** 742-746
- R. Juarez, G. Pedroche, M. J. Loughlin, R. Pampin, P Martinez, M. De Pietri, J. Alguacil, F. Ogando, P. Sauvan, A. J. Lopez-Revelles, A. Kolšek, E. Pol-unovskiy, M. Fabbri, and J. Sanz. “A full and heterogeneous model of the ITERtokamak for comprehensive nuclear analyses”. In:Nature Energy 6 (2021), pp. 150–157
- E. Polunovskiy. “Description of ITER Nuclear Analysis Tokamak Reference Model C-model R181031”. Technical Report [ITER IDM XETSWC v1.5]. Iter Organization, 2019.

### 6.1.4 Sphere SDDR

The Sphere SDDR benchmark is a variation of the the *Sphere Leakage* which is focused on isotopes activation and dose rate measurement. Once again, these kind of benchmarks allows to test all available isotopes in the library under assessment (this time being a D1S activation library) together with a few typical ITER materials. In particular, each single reaction channel (MT) of every isotope will be tested separately while, for the typical materials, all possible reactions foreseen by the library will be considered.

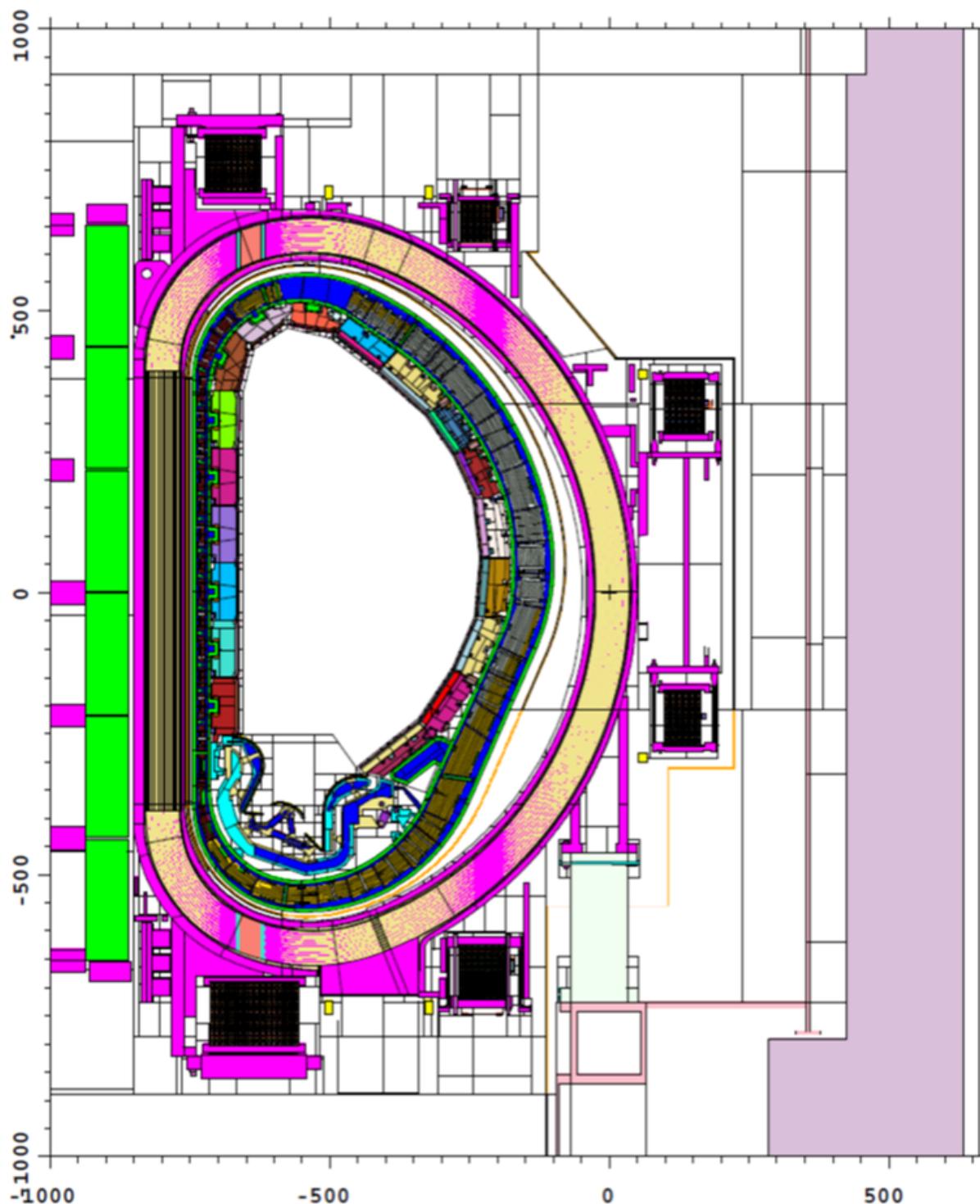


Fig. 10: C-model R181031. Origin (1050,200,0). Basis (0.982339, 0.187112, 0.000000) (0,0,1). Extent (1000,1000)

## Geometry and run parameters

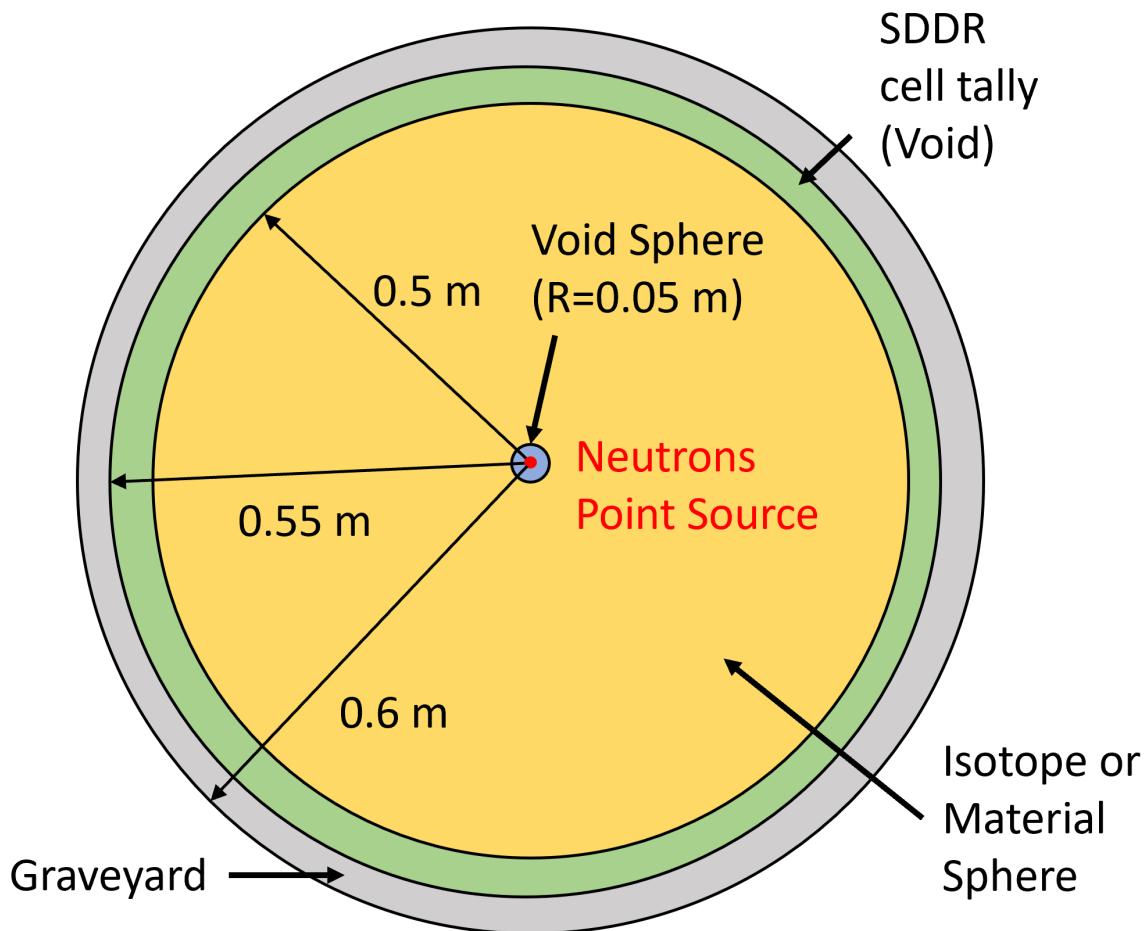


Fig. 11: Schematic view of the Sphere SDDR model

The geometry of the Sphere SDDR benchmarks, is practically the same as the one of the Sphere Leakage benchmark. The only difference is that externally to the filled sphere, a void spherical shell has been defined having a 10 cm radial thickness. This is the cell used to tally the contact shut down dose rate.

Similarly to what was done for the Sphere Leakage benchmark, the user have control on the densities to be applied for each element and material (default is set to NTP conditions with few exceptions) and control on the STOP parameters to be used.

### SDDR parameters

The cool-down times that have been considered are 0 s, 2.7 h, 24 h, 11.6 d, 30 d and 10 y. For the isotopes simulations, since only one reaction is considered, relative comparisons at different cool-down times will not lead to different results, hence, during post-processing operations only the results at 0 s are elaborated. This does not apply to materials simulations, where many different reactions are included.

The irradiation schedule considered for the Sphere SDDR benchmark is reported hereafter and represents an actual equivalent irradiation scenario foreseen for ITER blanket (SA2):

Table 1: Irradiation schedule (ITER SA2 irradiation scenario)

Source Intensity [n/s]	$\Delta t$ irr.	Multiplicity
1.0714E+17	2 y	1
8.2500E+17	10 y	1
0	9 m	1
1.6667E+18	15 m	1
0	3290 s	->
2.0000E+19	400 s	17
0	3290 s	->
2.8000E+19	400 s	4

As previously discussed, the irradiation file and reaction file provided together with the MCNP input file are generated in two different ways depending on if the simulation is conducted on a single isotope or on a typical ITER material. In the first case, a single reaction is considered and the irradiation file will only contain the daughter of such irradiation. In the second case, all possible reactions that are available in the library and that can be originated in the material will be included. The irradiation file will be then generated accordingly.

## Tallies

All neutron and photon related tallies defined in Sphere Leakage benchmark have also been imported in the Sphere SDDR benchmark. For photons, the time binning necessary to cover all the cool-down times of interest have been added. Tally n. 104 have been also defined to tally the contact shut down dose rate in air at all cool-down times in the additional spherical shell added for this specific purpose [Sv/h].

### 6.1.5 ITER CYLYNDER SDDR

The ITER Cylinder SDDR is a very popular computational benchmark for SDDR computation in ITER since it features dimensions, materials and streaming characteristics of a typical ITER equatorial port.

#### Geometry and run parameters

The ITER Cylinder SDDR is a simple yet effective benchmark. The model is composed by a 550 cm long, hollowed steel cylinder with internal and external radius respectively equal to 50 cm and 100 cm. The rear part of the cylinder is closed with a steel disk plate of 48 cm radius and 15 cm thick. The inner front part of the cylinder is filled with a smaller cylinder made of a water-steel mixture. This internal 48 cm radius cylinder is 210 cm long and features a central 15 cm diameter cylindrical hole. As it can be deducted from the given measures, a 2 cm gap is left between the main external hollow cylinder and its internal components.

A volumetric and isotropic neutron source is also defined. The volume of emission is a disk aligned with the front part of the cylinder assembly and positioned at a distance of 100 cm. The volume of the disk is 10 cm thick and has a radius equal to 100 cm.

A series of cells and surfaces is also defined for tallying purposes. The shutdown dose rate due to the activation of the assembly is evaluated in cell tallies located 30 cm past the end of the rear plate. The tally cells consist of concentric (hollow) disks which are 10 cm thick and are characterized from the following radii:

- from 0 cm to 15 cm (MCNP cell n. 10);
- from 15 cm to 30 cm (MCNP cell n. 11);
- from 30 cm to 45 cm (MCNP cell n. 12);
- from 45 cm to 60 cm (MCNP cell n. 13).

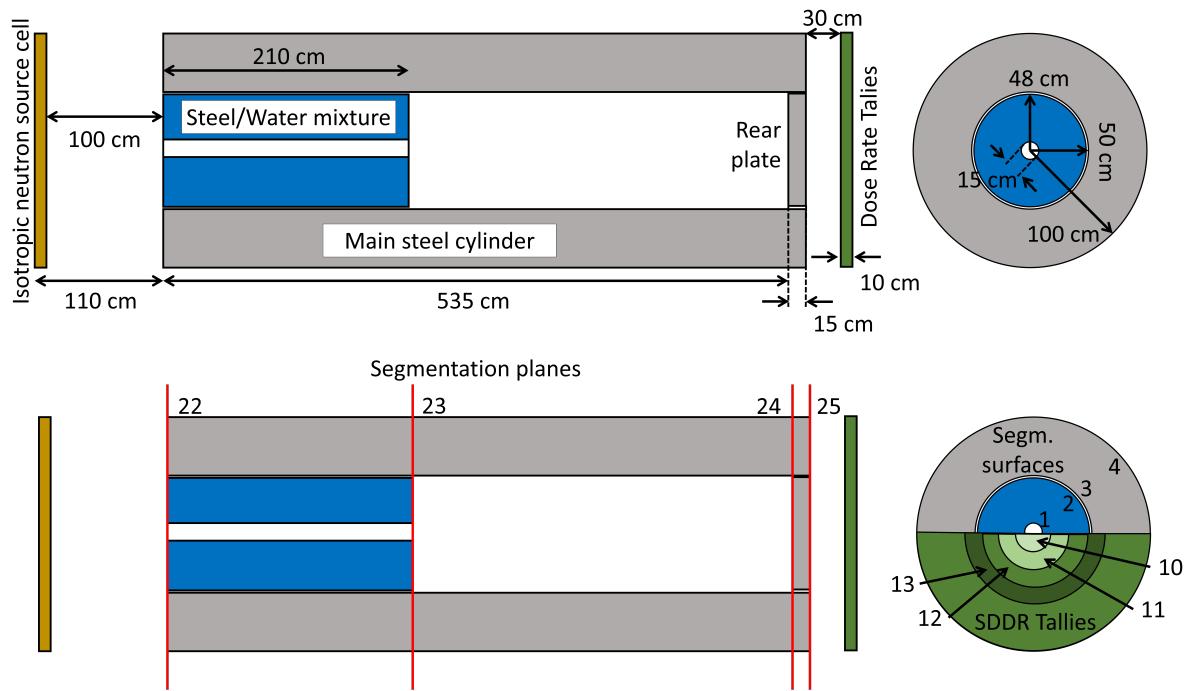


Fig. 12: ITER Cylinder SDDR benchmark geometry visualization

For flux tallying purposes, instead, the following cylindrical surfaces have been defined:

- n. 1, coincident with the external surface of the central hole;
- n. 2, coincident with the external surface of the water/steel cylinder;
- n. 3, coincident with the internal surface of the main steel cylinder;
- n. 4, coincident with the external surface of the main steel cylinder;

and the following planes orthogonal to the cylinder length:

- n. 22, coincident with the front of the assembly;
- n. 23, coincident with the rear of the water/steel cylinder;
- n. 24, coincident with the front of the rear plate;
- n. 25, coincident with the rear of the assembly.

### SDDR parameters

The irradiation schedule considered for ITER Cylinder SDDR benchmark is reported hereafter:

Table 2: Irradiation schedule (ITER SA2 irradiation scenario)

Source Intensity [n/s]	$\Delta t$ irr.	Multiplicity
1.0714E+17	2 y	1
8.2500E+17	10 y	1
0	9 m	1
1.6667E+18	15 m	1
0	3290 s	->
2.0000E+19	400 s	17
0	3290 s	->
2.8000E+19	400 s	4

Two different cool-down times were considered in the photon tallies: 0s and 1e6 s (approx. 11.5 days). That is, these are the time interval waited after the irradiation phase has finished before tallying the SDDR and the photon flux.

The possible reactions considered during the simulation are listed in the following table:

Table 3: List of parent-daughter couples generated by the considered reactions for the ITER Cylinder SDDR benchmark

Parent	Daughter
Cr50	Cr51
Cr52	Cr51
Mn55	Mn54
Fe54	Mn54
Fe54	Cr51
Fe56	Mn54
Fe58	Fe59
Co59	Co58
Co59	Co60
Co59	Fe59
Ni58	Co58
Ni60	Co60
Ni61	Co60
Ni61	Co60
Ni62	Fe59
Cu63	Cu62
Cu63	Co60
Cu65	Cu66
Ta181	Ta182
W182	Ta182
W186	W187

## Tallies

Neutron flux, (decay) gamma flux and SDDR are the only tallied quantities. The following is a description of the tallies defined in the benchmark:

**Tally n. 202** Neutron flux per energy bin [<#/cm^2/s)]. The flux is tallied in 16 energy bins ranging between 1E-10 MeV to 20 MeV. The flux is also binned geometrically.

**Tally n. 242** Total neutron flux [<#/cm^2/s)]. Same as Tally n. 202 but without the energy binning.

**Tally n. 14** Gamma flux per energy bin in cell 10 [#/cm<sup>2</sup>/s]. The flux is tallied in 16 energy bins ranging from 0.1 MeV to 20 MeV. The flux is tallied at both cool-down times.

**Tally n. 34** Gamma flux per energy bin in cell 11 [#/cm<sup>2</sup>/s]. The flux is tallied in 16 energy bins ranging from 0.1 MeV to 20 MeV. The flux is tallied at both cool-down times.

**Tally n. 44** Gamma flux per energy bin in cell 12 [#/cm<sup>2</sup>/s]. The flux is tallied in 16 energy bins ranging from 0.1 MeV to 20 MeV. The flux is tallied at both cool-down times.

**Tally n. 54** Gamma flux per energy bin in cell 13 [#/cm<sup>2</sup>/s]. The flux is tallied in 16 energy bins ranging from 0.1 MeV to 20 MeV. The flux is tallied at both cool-down times.

**Tally n. 74** Total gamma flux [#/cm<sup>2</sup>/s]. The flux is tallied only by cell (i.e. 10, 11, 12 and 13).

**Tally n. 124** SSDR behind the plate [Sv/h]. The SSDR is computed at all cell tallies (i.e. 10, 11, 12 and 13) and at both cool-down times.

**See also:**

#### Related papers and contributions

- M. Youssef, Feder R., Batistoni P., Fischer U., Jakhar S., Konno C., Lough-lin M., and Villari R. “Benchmarking of the 3-D CAD-based Discrete Ordinates code “ATTILA” for dose rate calculations against experiments and MonteCarlo calculations”. In: Fusion Engineering and Design 88 (2013), pp. 3033–3040.
- R. Pampin, A. Davis, J. Izquierdo, D. Leichtle, M.D. Loughlin, J. Sanz, A. Turner, R. Villari, and P.P.H. Wilson. “Developments and needs in nuclearanalysis of fusion technology”. In: Fusion Engineering and Design 88 (2013), pp. 454–460.

## 6.2 Experimental Benchmarks

### 6.2.1 Oktavian

Experimental results derived from Oktavian experiments are publicly accessible at the CoNDERC database which is mantained by the IAEA Nuclear Data Section and built upon the database of shielding experiments (SINBAD), hosted by the RSICC and jointly mantained with the NEA data bank.

OKTAVIAN is an experimental facility located at the Osaka University which has been operative since 1981. It consists of an intense deuterium-tritium (D-T) fusion neutron source (up to 3E+12 n/s) that has been used during the years for many experiments on high energy neutrons transport. Among them, many Time Of Flight (TOF) experiments were conducted and their results have been introduced in SINBAD. These experiments consists in placing the neutron source inside a sphere composed only by a specific material of interest and measuring the leakage photon spectra exiting from such sphere with the use of detectors. The photon energy measure is performed indirectly measuring the time of flight, which is then converted into a velocity.

#### Geometry and run parameters

An accelerated deuteron beam is led through a narrow tube to the centre of a sphere (every time composed by a different material) where pulsed 14.1 MeV monochromatic neutrons were produced by the d-t fusion reaction. The source is regarded to be 14 MeV monochromatic. Neutron leakage current spectrum of neutrons was measured in “absolute values” by the time-of-flight technique between 10 keV and 14 MeV, about 9.5 m from the sphere centre. Because of the presence of the collimators the detectors could not see the entire surface of the sphere, but only the solid angle of 17.28° from the sphere centre.

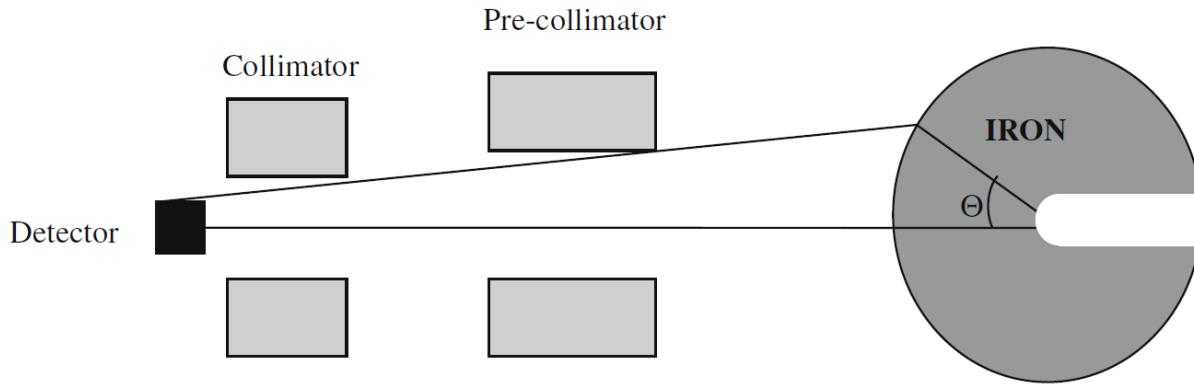


Fig. 13: Simplified layout of the OKTAVIAN Fe experimental setup (not in scale).

## Tallies

Only two tallies are defined for each input:

**Tally n. 21** Neutron leakage current  $\$/\text{cm}^2\$/$  per source particle. 134 energy bins were defined spanning from 0.1 MeV to 20.6 MeV.

**Tally n. 41** Photon leakage current  $\$/\text{cm}^2\$/$  per source particle. 57 energy bins were defined spanning from 0.5 MeV to 10.5 MeV.

Since experimental results are provided as flux per unit lethargy, the tally results are manipulated as follows:

$$d\Phi_u = d\Phi/d(\log E)$$

See also:

Related papers and contributions:

- A. Milocco, A. Trkov and I. A. Kodeli, 2010, “The OKTAVIAN TOF experiments in SINBAD: Evaluation of the experimental uncertainties”, *Annals of Nuclear Energy*, **37** 443-449
- I.Kodeli, E. Sartori and B. Kirk, “SINBAD - Shielding Benchmark Experiments - Status and Planned Activities”, *Proceedings of the ANS 14th Biennial Topical Meeting of Radiation Protection and Shielding Division*, Carlsbad, New Mexico (April 3-6, 2006)

### 6.2.2 Frascati Neutron Generator SDDR Experiment

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**Important:** This benchmark input cannot be distributed directly with JADE. The user must have a valid SINBAD license and contact the JADE team in order to obtain the instructions on how to modify the inputs in order for them to be used in JADE.

The Frascati Neutron Generator (FNG) is an experimental facility designed and built by ENEA (the Italian New Technology, Energy and Ambiente Body) in Frascati, Italy. The installation is able to produce 14 MeV neutrons based on the  $T(d, n)\alpha$  fusion reaction and it is able to produce up to  $5E+11$  n/s.

One of the key experiments that have been conducted at the FNG is the neutron irradiation experiment, where a mock-up of the outer vacuum vessel region of ITER was irradiated by means of 14 MeV neutrons for a sufficiently long time in order to achieve significant activation levels. Two distinct irradiation campaigns were conducted in May and

August 2000 and, among other things, the SDDR values after different cooling time intervals were measured. Many benchmarks activities have been performed using the experiment in the past, and the benchmark is also included in the SINBAD database (listed as fng\_dose).

## Geometry

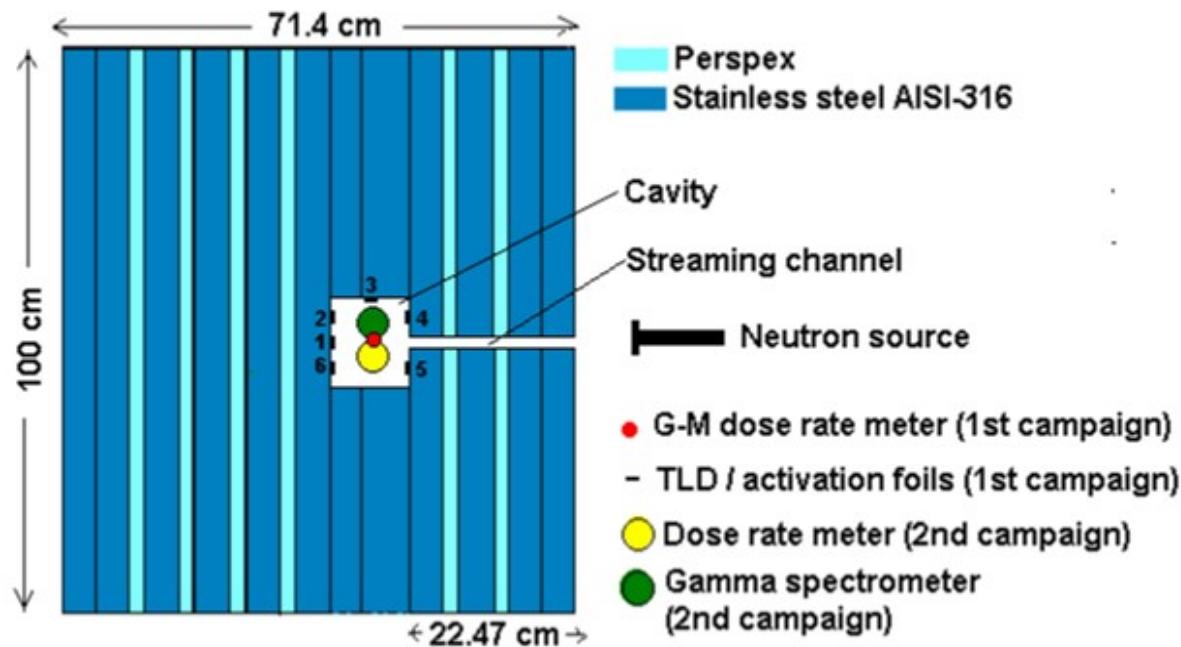


Fig. 14: FNG SDDR experiment layout

At the FNG, a deuterium beam is accelerated up to 300 KeV by means of a linear electro-static tube towards a target rich in tritium generating a 14 MeV neutron source. These are the neutrons that were used to irradiate the experimental assembly which consisted of a block of stainless steel and water equivalent material (perspex) with total thickness of 71.4 cm, and a lateral size of 100 cm x 100 cm. A cavity was obtained within the block (12.6 cm in the beam direction, 11.98 cm high) behind a 22.47 cm thick shield. A void channel (2.7 cm inner diameter) was included in front of the cavity to study the effect of streaming paths in the bulk shield. A squared box was used to locate detectors inside the cavity, with 2 mm thick bottom and lateral walls. Measurements were taken in the cavity, during the irradiation and after shut-down, to obtain the local neutron flux, the decay gamma-ray spectra and the dose rates for different cooling times.

JADE MCNP input template was realized starting from the MCNP inputs provided in the SINBAD database and, for this reason, it cannot be freely distributed together with the JADE source code. Cell and surface card were left untouched as well as the material composition. D1S-UNED specific cards were also added.

## SDDR Parameters

The next two tables describe the equivalent schedules considered for respectively the 1st and 2nd irradiation campaign conducted at the FNG.

Table 4: Equivalent schedule of the 1st FNG irradiation campaign

$\Delta t$ [s]	$\Delta t$ [min]	Neutron Intensity [n/s]
19440	324	2.32E+10
61680	1028	0
32940	549	2.87E+10
54840	914	0
15720	262	1.90E+10
6360	106	0
8940	149	1.36E+10

Table 5: Equivalent schedule of the 2nd FNG irradiation campaign

$\Delta t$ [s]	$\Delta t$ [min]	Neutron Intensity [n/s]
1748	29	3.04E+10
7820	130	4.28E+10
54140	902	0
22140	369	4.29E+10
900	15	0
3820	64	3.38E+10
420	7	0
140	2	2.86E+10

The experimentally measured SDDR values at different cooling times are reported in the next tables for the 1st and 2nd irradiation campaigns.

Table 6: Experimental measure of the SDDR during 1st FNG irradiation campaign

Cooldown Time [d]	Cooldown Time [s]	Experimental SDDR [Sv/h]	Relative Error
1	86400	2.46E-06	0.1
7	604800	6.99E-07	0.1
15	1296000	4.95E-07	0.1
30	2592000	4.16E-07	0.1
60	5184000	3.16E-07	0.1

Table 7: Experimental measure of the SDDR during 2nd FNG irradiation campaign

Cooldown [s]	Time	Cooldown [h]	Time	Cooldown [d]	Time	Experimental [Sv/h]	SDDR	Relative Error
4380		1.22		0.05		4.88E-04		3.89E-02
6180		1.72		0.07		4.15E-04		3.86E-02
7488		2.08		0.09		3.75E-04		4.00E-02
11580		3.22		0.13		2.68E-04		3.73E-02
17280		4.80		0.20		1.73E-04		4.05E-02
24480		6.80		0.28		1.01E-04		3.96E-02
34080		9.47		0.39		5.06E-05		3.95E-02
45780		12.72		0.53		2.30E-05		3.91E-02
57240		15.90		0.66		1.17E-05		4.27E-02
72550		20.15		0.84		5.80E-06		3.97E-02
90720		25.20		1.05		3.56E-06		3.93E-02
132000		36.67		1.53		2.43E-06		3.70E-02
212400		59.00		2.46		1.78E-06		3.93E-02
345600		96.00		4.00		1.22E-06		4.10E-02
479300		133.14		5.55		9.52E-07		3.89E-02
708500		196.81		8.20		7.59E-07		3.95E-02
1050000		291.67		12.15		6.67E-07		3.90E-02
1670000		463.89		19.33		6.13E-07		3.92E-02
1710000		475.00		19.79		6.14E-07		3.91E-02

When simulating with the D1S approach, in order to reduce the computation time it is good practice to individuate the subset of decay isotopes which contribute the most to the dose rate. This subset will depend from the unirradiated material composition and the cool-down time that are considered. In order to do so, preliminary activation calculation are usually performed with the help of activation codes like FISPACT or ACAB. These studies have been already conducted both during the D1S libraries initial V&V procedure and when the experimental results were tested for the first time. The next plot lists the isotopes contributing cumulatively to more than 95% of the dose rate during the first irradiation campaign.

At this point, the D1S reaction file can be generated: it will include all reactions that can originate in the material (i.e. that are also available in the activation library) which result in the creation of one of the daughters of interest. The D1S irradiation file will simply contain those daughters which are generated by at least one reaction. All of this implies that a comparison between two different libraries can often not be an exact one. Indeed, it is quite common that to a new library release corresponds an increase in the number of available reactions. Nevertheless, this is in line with the philosophy of JADE. If the Sphere benchmarks are the primary tools that should be used to identify specific inconsistencies at the single cross section level among libraries, all other benchmarks have a slightly different scope which is to show how big is the impact of these inconsistencies on more realistic applications.

## Tallies

The only tallied result for the FNG benchmark is the dose rate at the dosimeter location inside the cavity (tally n.4).

See also:

Related papers:

- M. Martone, M. Angelone, and M. Pillon. “The 14 MeV Frascati neutrongenerator”. In:Journal of Nuclear Materials 212-215 (1994). Fusion ReactorMaterials, pp. 1661–1664
- P. Batistoni, M. Angelone, L. Petrizzi, and M. Pillon. “Benchmark Experimentfor the Validation of Shut Down Activation and Dose Rate in a Fusion Device”.In: Journal of Nuclear Science and Technology 39.sup2 (2002),

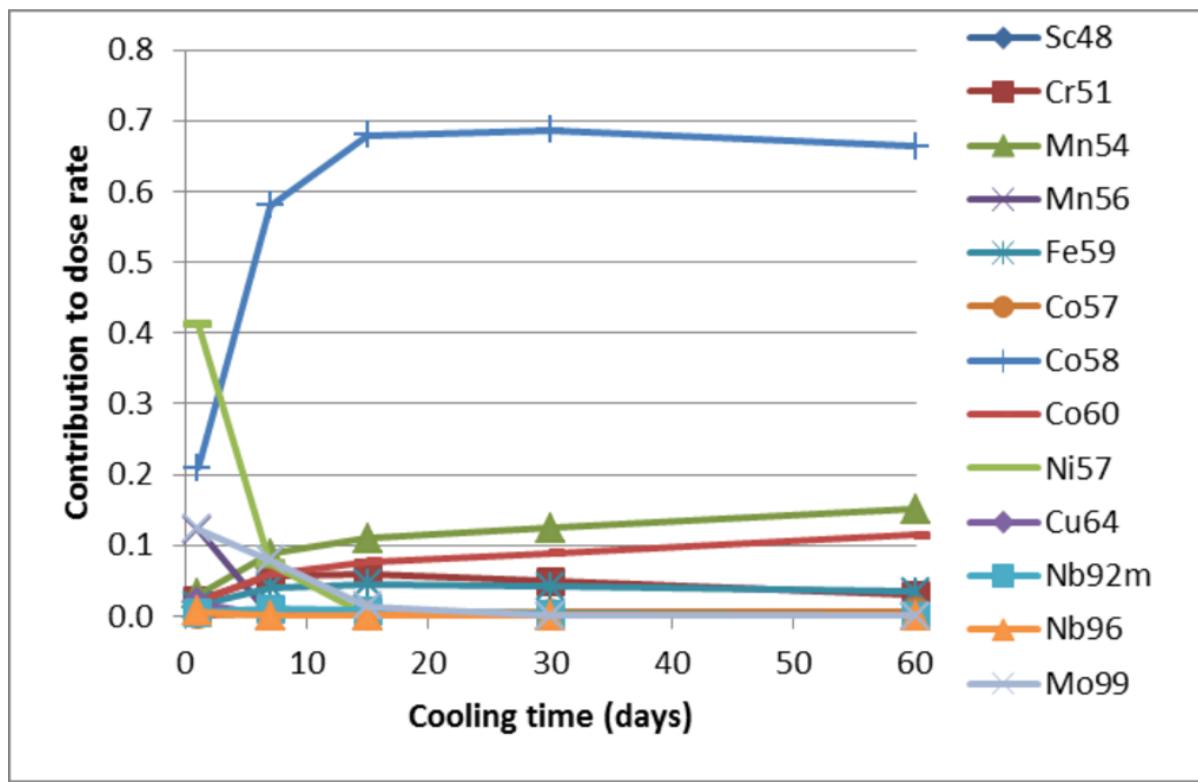


Fig. 15: Isotope contribution to the dose during the first FNG irradiation campaign

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- K. Seidel, Y. Chen, U. Fischer, H. Freiesleben, D. Richter, and S. Unholzer.“Measurement and analysis of dose rates and gamma-ray fluxes in an ITERshut-down dose rate experiment”. In:Fusion Engineering and Design 63-64 (2002), pp. 211–215.
- R. Pampin, A. Davis, R.A. Forrest, D.A. Barnett, I. Davis, and M.Z. Youssef.“Status of novel tools for estimation of activation dose”. In:Fusion Engineeringand Design 85.10 (2010). Proceedings of the Ninth International Symposiumon Fusion Nuclear Technology, pp. 2080–2085.
- J. Sanz, O. Cabellos, and N. Garcia-Herranz. Inventory Code for Nuclear Applications: User’s Manual V. 2008. RSICC. 2008.



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## CHAPTER SEVEN

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### POST-PROCESSING GALLERY

## 7.1 Excel output

### 7.1.1 Benchmark specific

#### Sphere Leakage

ZAID		TALLY									
Zaid	Zaid Name	Neutron Flux at the external surface in Vitamin-J 175 energy groups [3]	Neutron heating with F4=FM multiplier [4]	Neutron heating F6 [8]	Neutron flux at the external surface in coarse energy groups [12]	He ppm production [34]	T production [34]	DPA production [34]	Gamma flux at the external surface [22]	Gamma heating with F4=FM multiplier [44]	Gamma heating F6 [46]
1001	H-1	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed	All zeros	All zeros	Passed	Missed	Missed	Passed
1002	H-2	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed	All zeros	All zeros	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed
1003	H-3	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed	All zeros	All zeros	Passed	All zeros	All zeros	All zeros
2003	He-3	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed
2004	He-4	Passed	Passed	Passed	Passed	All zeros	All zeros	Passed	All zeros	All zeros	All zeros

Fig. 1: 10 MCNP statistical checks for each zaid and tally

SPHERE LEAKAGE TEST RESULTS RECAP: ERRORS										LEGEND
ZAID		TALLY								According to MCNP manual
Zaid	Zaid Name	Neutron Flux at the external surface in Vitamin-J 175 energy groups	Neutron heating with F4=FM multiplier	Neutron heating F6	He ppm production	T production	DPA production	Gamma flux at the external surface [FINE@IMPACT MANUAL 24 Group Structure]	Gamma heating with F4=FM multiplier [44]	Gamma heating F6
1001	H-1	0.88%	0.99%	0.99%	0.00%	0.00%	1.81%	2.78%	2.81%	2.42%
1002	H-2	2.48%	12.00%	0.95%	0.00%	1.64%	0.47%	2.48%	2.44%	33.88%
1003	H-3	0.84%	0.96%	0.96%	0.00%	0.00%	0.47%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
2003	He-3	3.34%	1.40%	1.40%	1.29%	9.73%	24.00%	6.09%	1.18%	1.18%
2004	He-4	0.78%	1.09%	1.09%	0.00%	0.00%	0.68%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

Fig. 2: Statistical error associated with each tally for each zaid

SPHERE LEAKAGE TEST RESULTS RECAP: VALUES										LEGEND
ZAID		TALLY								
Zaid	Zaid Name	Neutron Flux at the external surface in Vitamin-J 175 energy groups	He ppm production	T production	DPA production	Gamma flux at the external surface [FINE@IMPACT MANUAL 24 Group Structure]	Neutron Heating comparison [F4 vs F6]	Gamma Heating comparison [F4 vs F6]	Notes	
1001	H-2	Value > 0 for all bins	Value = 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	0.00%	1.00%		
1002	H-2	Value < 0	Value = 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	2.00%	0.00%		
1003	H-3	Value > 0 for all bins	Value = 0 for all bins	Value = 0 for all bins	Value = 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	0.00%	0.00%		
2003	He-3	Value > 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	0.00%	0.00%		
2004	He-4	Value > 0 for all bins	Value = 0 for all bins	Value = 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	Value > 0 for all bins	0.00%	0.00%		

Fig. 3: Consistency checks on zaid tally results

SPHERE LEAKAGE COMPARISON RECAP																							
ZAIID		TALLIES															LEGEND						
		Neutron Flux [Coarse energy bins] Tally n.12						Gamma Flux [Coarse energy bins] Tally n. 22						T protection			He ppm production		DPA production		Neutron heating F6		
		0-0.1 [MeV]	0.1 [MeV]	1.0 [MeV]	10.0 [MeV]	20.0 [MeV]	Total	0.01 [MeV]	0.1 [MeV]	1.0 [MeV]	10.0 [MeV]	Total	T protection	He ppm production	DPA production	Neutron heating F6	Gamma heating F6						
10001	H-2	-0.03%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	Identical	0.00%	0.23%	-0.02%	-0.09%	-0.22%	Identical	-0.12%		-12.50%	-0.04%	-0.01%						
10002	H-2	0.13%	Identical	0.00%	Identical	Identical		-0.01%	0.30%	-0.24%	-0.09%	-0.06%	0.12%		0.05%	4.97%	0.13%						
10003	H-3	0.00%	Identical	0.00%	Identical	Identical	0.00%								Identical	Identical							
20000	He-3	-0.20%	Identical	Identical	Identical	Identical	-0.00%	0.00%	Identical	-0.08%	-0.01%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%						
20004	He-4	31.00%	4.21%	0.08%	0.80%	-0.00%	5.44%	33.88%	33.87%	33.88%	-0.67%	-0.01%	1.77%	-0.04%	4.33%	3.47%	12.15%						

Fig. 4: Comparison of tally results for each zaid

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<a href="#">"C/E (mean +/- σ)"</a>			
Particle	Energy Range [MeV]	FENDL 3.1d	FENDL 3.2 beta
Neutron	<b>0.1 - 1</b>	1.01 +/- 0.44	1.03 +/- 0.44
	<b>1.0 - 5</b>	0.9 +/- 0.08	0.9 +/- 0.08
	<b>10.0 - 20</b>	3.38 +/- 9.97	3.38 +/- 9.95
	<b>5.0 - 10</b>	0.91 +/- 0.11	0.9 +/- 0.11
Photon	<b>0.1 - 1</b>	0.42 +/- 0.26	0.44 +/- 0.27
	<b>1.0 - 5</b>	2.21 +/- 1.06	2.21 +/- 1.05
	<b>10.0 - 20</b>	18.45 +/- nan	17.96 +/- nan
	<b>5.0 - 10</b>	7.87 +/- 4.76	7.75 +/- 4.74

Fig. 5: C/E table summarized per energy range

LIBRARY:		31c
10 MCNP Statistical Checks		
Tally Number	Tally name	Result
44	H in 316SS appm/FPY	Missed
54	T in 316SS appm/FPY	Missed
64	Cu dpa/FPY	Missed
74	He in CuBeNi appm/FPY	Missed
84	H in CuBeNi appm/FPY	Missed
94	T in CuBeNi appm/FPY	Missed
104	Ni dpa/FPY	Missed
114	He in Inconel appm/FPY	Missed
124	H in Inconel appm/FPY	Missed
134	T in Inconel appm/FPY	Missed
144	He in Be appm/FPY	Passed

Fig. 6: 10 MCNP statistical checks recap

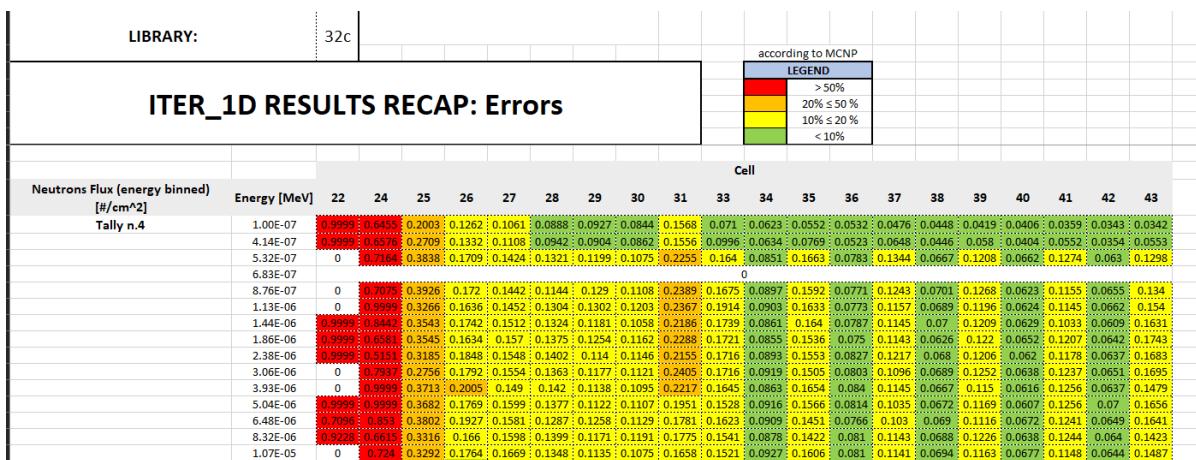


Fig. 7: Statistical errors associated with the tally results

	H in 316SS appm/FPY Tally n.44	Cells	Value
3		21	-37.43%
9		26	-24.62%
0		27	-17.63%
1		28	-7.39%
2		29	-0.58%
3		30	-22.90%
4		33	-17.75%
5		35	-3.39%
6		37	-9.85%
7		39	-6.89%
8		41	-4.62%
9		43	-4.75%
0		45	-3.56%
1		47	-5.62%
2		55	-5.05%
3		57	-4.42%
4		59	-3.55%
5		61	-2.28%
6		63	-2.45%
7		65	-5.27%
8		67	-5.97%
9		69	-2.21%
0		72	0.51%
1		73	-3.17%
2		74	-5.71%
3		75	-7.38%
4		76	-8.82%
5		77	0.33%
6		78	3.28%
7		79	0.68%
8		80	-0.58%

Fig. 8: Print of a single binned tally

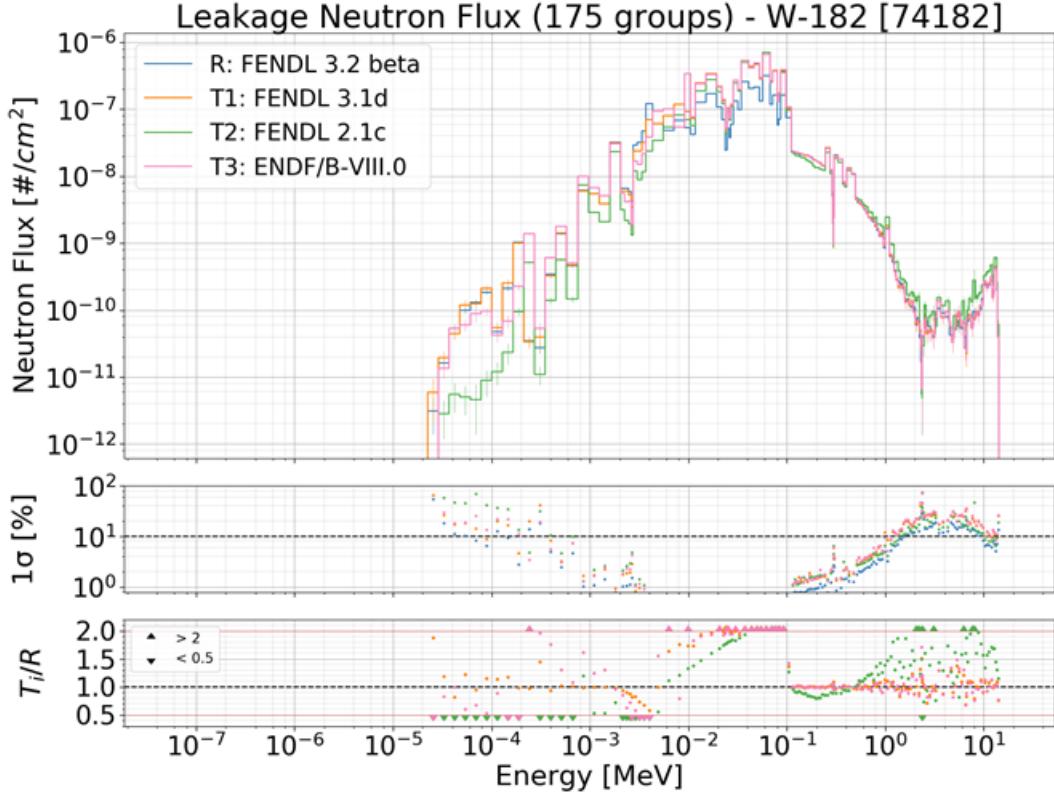
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Neutrons Flux (energy binned) [#/cm <sup>2</sup> s]	Energy [MeV]	22	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40	41	42	43
Tally n,4																					
4.14E-07	-0.74%	71.78%	2.86%	-6.56%	-14.24%	-2.35%	-3.40%	-3.65%	-0.02%	8.12%	3.21%	4.41%	4.72%	8.09%	-2.72%	3.79%	-2.71%	-0.47%	1.86%	7.74%	
5.32E-07	-70.80%	-210.20%	-13.22%	-13.66%	-13.32%	-24.84%	-8.73%	2.53%	24.67%	-3.89%	2.44%	4.63%	15.42%	4.07%	-1.56%	3.77%	10.12%	1.44%	-4.31%	-0.48%	12.52%
8.83E-07	-176.35%	-19.66%	-13.32%	-13.32%	-13.32%	-24.84%	-8.73%	2.53%	24.67%	-3.89%	2.44%	4.63%	15.42%	4.07%	-1.56%	3.77%	10.12%	-1.20%	-22.96%	-2.60%	-0.80%
8.76E-07	6553500.00%	144.27%	-13.32%	-13.32%	-13.32%	-24.84%	-8.73%	2.53%	24.67%	-3.89%	2.44%	4.63%	15.42%	4.07%	-1.56%	3.77%	10.12%	-1.20%	-22.96%	-2.60%	-0.80%
1.13E-06	6553500.00%	272.17%	-4.78%	-4.92%	0.77%	7.92%	0.09%	-12.71%	-1.66%	-48.85%	-11.19%	-19.74%	-0.89%	-17.65%	-0.54%	-0.80%	-0.54%	-0.80%	-0.54%	-0.80%	-0.54%
1.44E-06	100.00%	88.48%	8.40%	-10.22%	-10.05%	-23.87%	-7.25%	13.85%	-94.80%	-8.32%	9.38%	0.92%	-23.77%	2.77%	13.57%	-5.56%	6.67%	15.31%	12.77%	-10.81%	
1.86E-06	21.33%	-38.43%	-9.11%	-9.23%	-19.16%	-20.75%	-8.73%	-98.70%	-12.18%	7.80%	-18.06%	-12.71%	13.86%	-8.43%	-0.25%	-0.42%	-0.42%	-0.42%	-0.42%	-0.42%	-0.42%
2.13E-06	100.00%	-24.71%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%	-1.69%
3.06E-06	-297.74%	-15.59%	-4.07%	-8.12%	-11.39%	-20.67%	-7.71%	-64.00%	-1.97%	-7.79%	-6.21%	8.09%	-8.29%	-8.50%	-8.32%	-17.68%	-10.23%	-8.45%	-5.43%	-5.43%	-5.43%
3.93E-06	6553500.00%	-287.14%	-80.96%	-42.79%	-11.58%	-6.96%	8.21%	-15.91%	-18.56%	-2.19%	1.13%	-7.44%	-1.29%	1.61%	-18.52%	-20.93%	-1.47%	-22.85%	2.39%	5.47%	-0.01%
5.04E-06	-21.97%	242.08%	-213.60%	-53.39%	-1.61%	11.94%	5.95%	-12.13%	-10.97%	-0.80%	1.03%	-9.38%	3.90%	0.80%	-23.07%	-7.56%	2.60%	11.67%	-1.61%	-10.72%	-0.01%
6.48E-06	-10.77%	10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%	-10.77%
8.32E-06	-115.11%	-1.28%	-12.42%	-42.17%	-16.33%	-30.15%	-12.32%	-3.84%	-28.93%	-4.75%	1.76%	13.49%	-3.74%	-1.38%	6.32%	1.29%	-10.79%	5.29%	21.86%	-0.01%	-0.01%
1.07E-05	6553500.00%	-4.80%	39.89%	-24.25%	-56.70%	-10.85%	-16.55%	-1.56%	5.26%	3.93%	11.17%	19.73%	9.25%	-1.84%	0.21%	-3.21%	-3.97%	-10.88%	-10.61%	14.21%	-0.01%
1.37E-05	41.81%	-88.81%	4.02%	3.31%	-11.05%	-2.59%	3.97%	-12.62%	-40.83%	8.60%	16.04%	16.98%	-19.25%	0.89%	3.88%	7.86%	4.36%	-18.10%	0.67%	20.82%	-0.01%
1.75E-05	-100.00%	-79.71%	-2.21%	14.25%	-19.00%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%	-1.77%
2.26E-05	-1.40%	-254.85%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%
2.90E-05	100.00%	-128.35%	8.42%	-9.07%	-54.98%	-4.43%	-14.28%	-10.79%	-0.12%	30.80%	5.97%	31.38%	-8.93%	38.73%	2.27%	-2.25%	-6.71%	8.14%	-10.94%	14.09%	-0.01%
3.73E-05	6553500.00%	-222.82%	-24.85%	-59.82%	-7.04%	10.64%	-5.68%	2.32%	-45.95%	16.32%	-10.39%	-28.28%	-8.89%	-14.33%	1.78%	8.47%	8.95%	1.61%	2.24%	-0.01%	-0.01%
4.79E-05	38.72%	-67.65%	-2.21%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%
5.15E-05	-1.40%	-254.85%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%	-1.78%
7.89E-05	4.01%	7.25%	18.89%	-5.85%	5.75%	3.70%	-21.34%	12.01%	-2.44%	-0.17%	20.91%	8.60%	-0.86%	1.87%	-8.90%	-17.89%	-0.01%	-0.01%	-0.01%	-0.01%	-0.01%

Fig. 9: Print of a double binned tally

### 7.1.2 General output

## 7.2 Plots Atlas

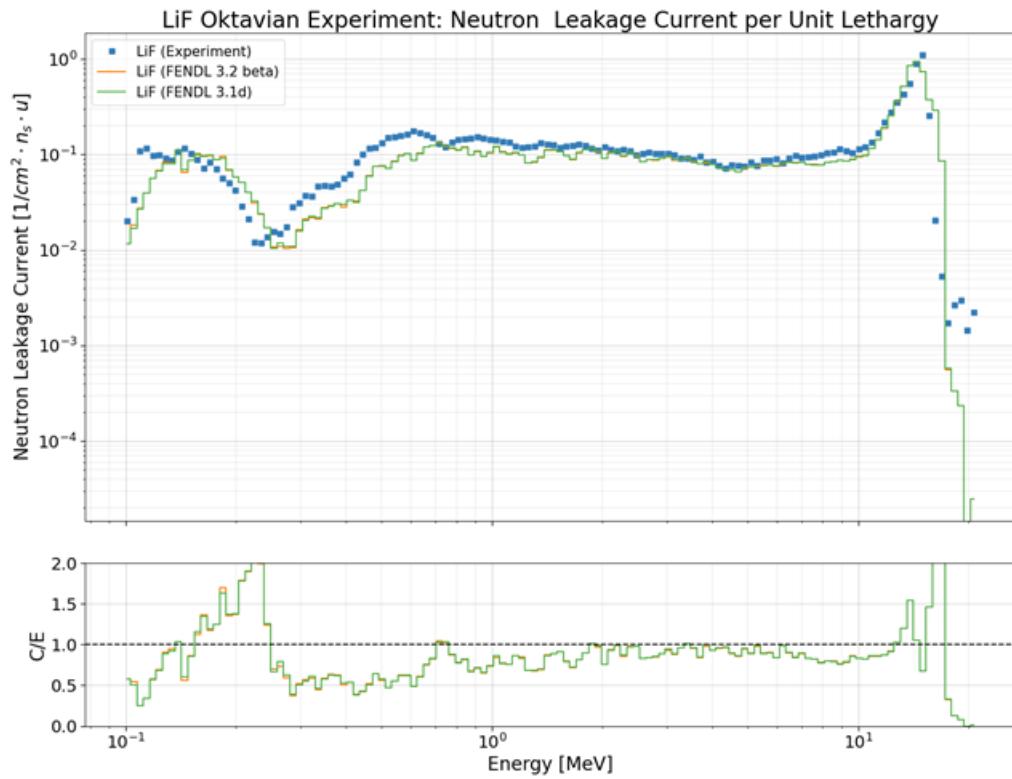
### 7.2.1 Binned graph



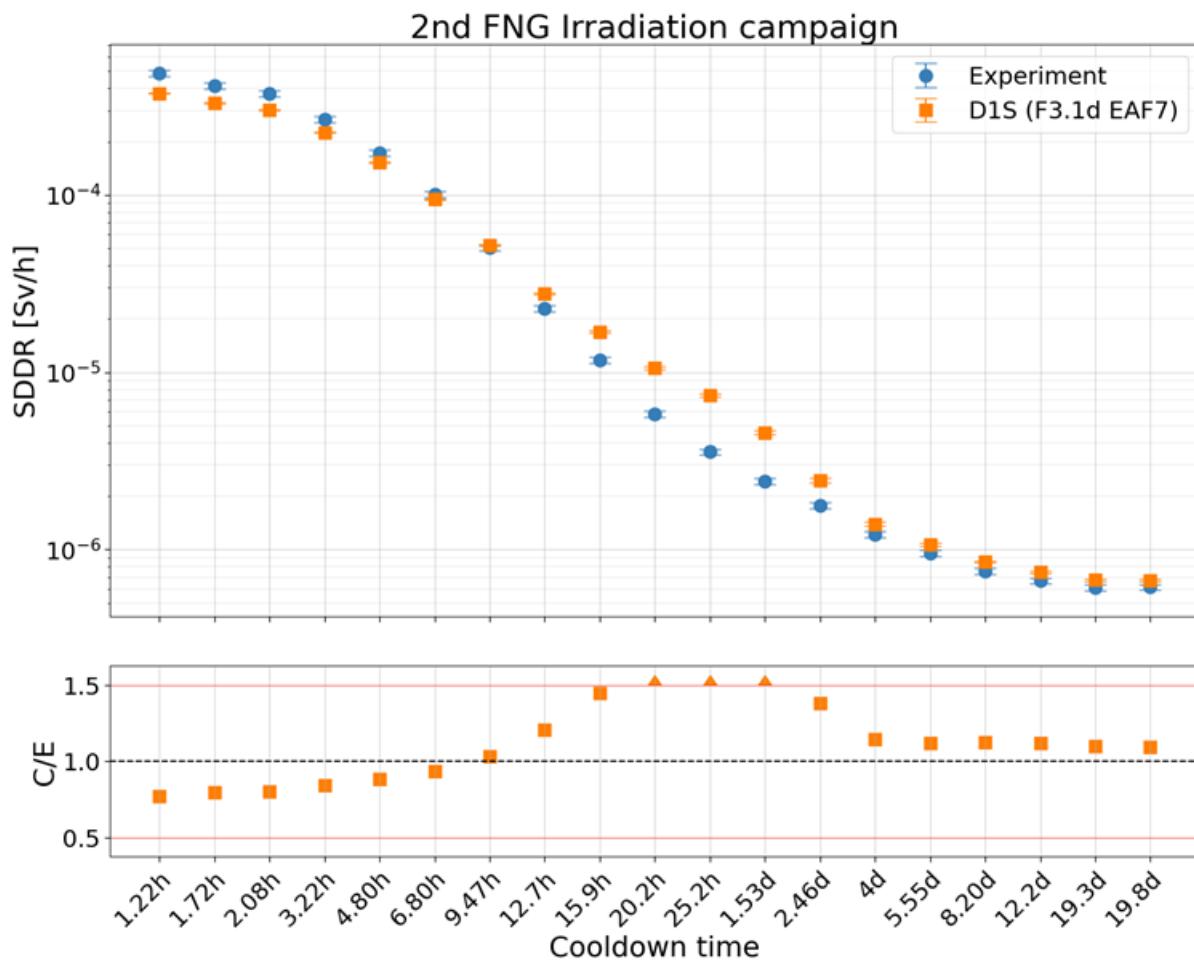
## 7.2.2 Ratio Graph



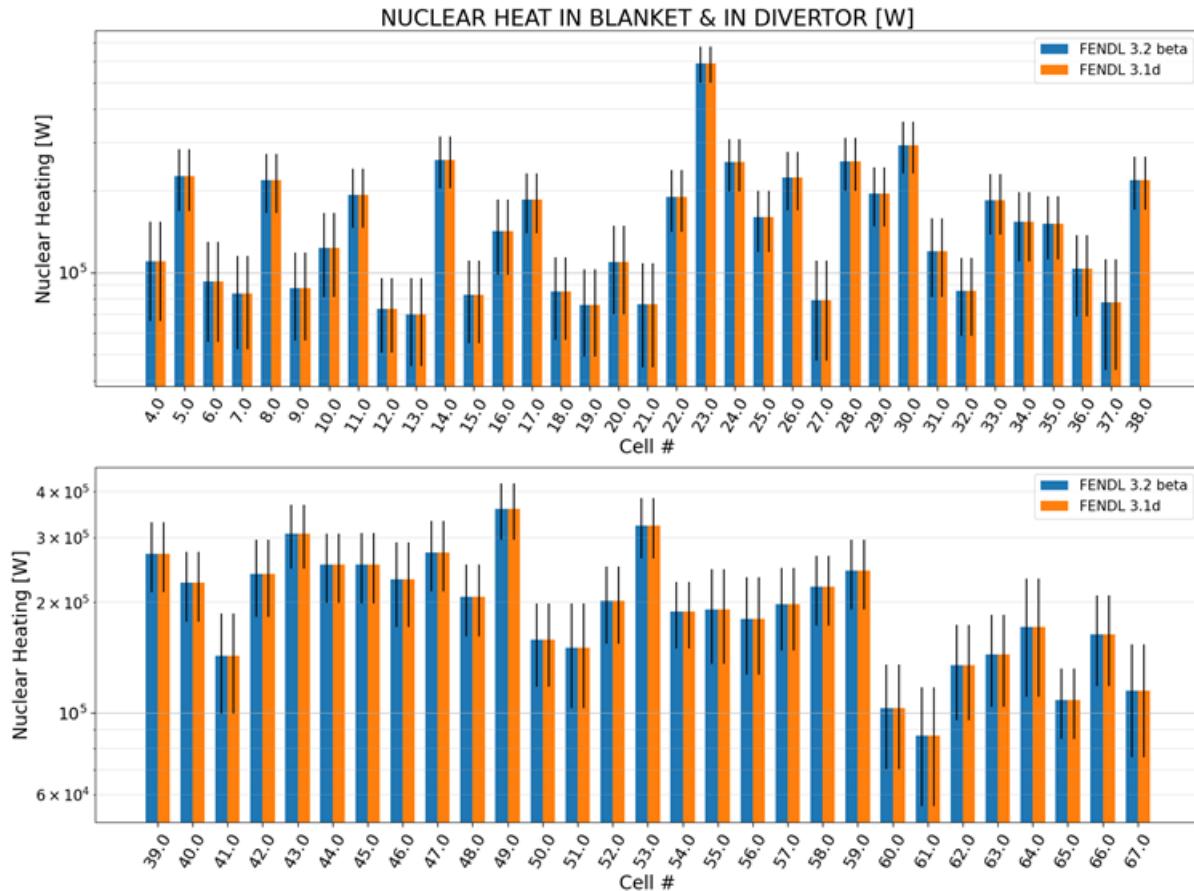
### 7.2.3 Experimental points



### 7.2.4 Discreet Experimental points

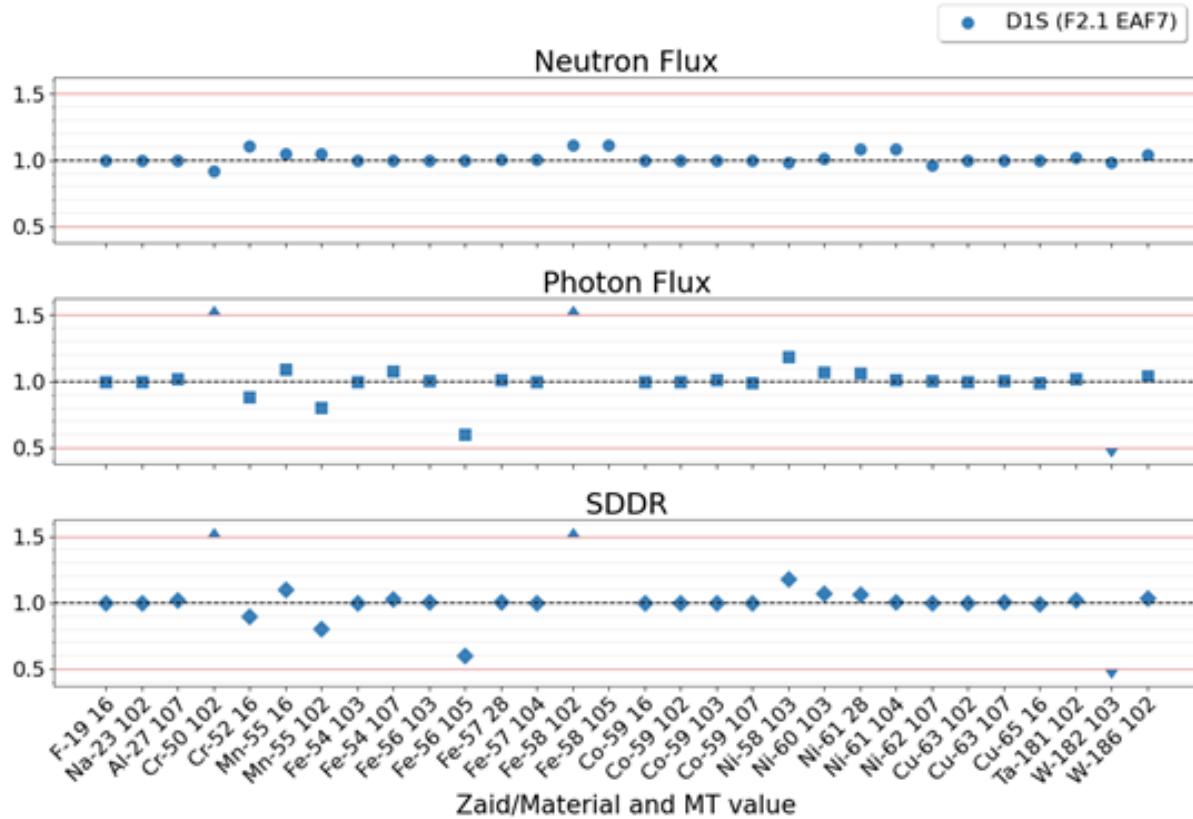


### 7.2.5 Grouped bars



## 7.2.6 Waves

**Ratio Vs D1S (F3.1d EAF7) (T0 + 0s)**



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## UTILITIES

During the development of JADE, many useful classes and methods were developed which could be used for small stand-alone tools, mostly operating on MCNP inputs.

A description of these *utilities*, accessible from the JADE main menu, is here provided.

The outputs (if generated) of these utilities can be found in specific subfolders of the <JADE root>\Utilities directory.

### 8.1 Print available libraries

**printlib**

This function allows to print to video all libraries (suffixes) that are available in xsdir file indicated in the main configuration file.

```
Enter action: printlib
['03c', '01c', '02c', '03c', '04c', '05c', '06c', '21c', '30c', '31c',
'32c', '90c', '91c', '92c', '93c', '94c', '95c', '96c', '80c', '81c',
'82c', '83c', '84c', '85c', '86c', '70c', '71c', '72c', '73c', '74c', '6
2c', '66c', '60c', '50c', '42c', '53c', '24c', '50d', '30y', '50m', '71
h', '70h', '24h', '01g', '84p', '63p', '04p', '03p', '02p', '01p', '14p
', '12p', '03e', '01e']
Enter action:
```

Fig. 1: Screenshot of the execution of the printlib command

### 8.2 Restore default configurations

**restore**

This function allows to restore the JADE configuration default settings. In other words, the content of the <JADE root>\Configuration directory is restored to “factory installation” and all user modifications to the configuration files are lost.

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**Note:** When the restoration is completed, the application will be terminated. The main configuration file ambient variable will need to be reconfigured before running another JADE instance.

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See also:

*Main Configuration*

## 8.3 Translate an MCNP input

**trans**

This function allows to translate a material section of an MCNP input to a whatever nuclear data library available in the xsdir file.

The translation is carried out basically by the **convertZaid()** method of the **LibManager** class and by the **translate()** method of the **SubMaterial** class. The **convertZaid** method:

1. asks for a zaid (to translate) and for a library (to translate to);
2. checks if the library selected for the translation is available in the xsdir of the user;
3. **select the type of translation:**
  - a. zaid not available in library: the default lib is used, no other changes applied;
  - b. zaid available in library: the zaid is converted to the selected library, no other changes applied;
  - c. the zaid is natural (i.e. it ends with 000).

For case c, at first, the selected library is checked for exact correspondence, i.e., it is checked if also in the selected library the zaid is expressed as natural. In this case, the behavior is identical to case b. If this is not true, the zaid needs to be expanded: all zaids of the same elements are returned with their atomic mass (m) and natural abundance (NA). All isotopes data is extracted from the [Commission on Isotopic Abundances and Atomic Weights \(CIAAW\)](#) and the data is stored locally in JADE distribution in the <JADE root>\Code\Isotopes.txt file.

At this point, the **translate()** method completes the translation. No particular actions are required if there is no zaid expansion. In case of expansion, if the original natural zaid fraction is an atomic one ( $x_N^A$ ), the new zaids deriving from the expansion will have as fraction their natural abundance (NA) multiplied for the original natural zaid fraction:

$$x_{\text{zaid}}^A = \text{NA}_{\text{zaid}} \cdot x_N^A$$

If, instead, the original natural zaid fraction is a mass one ( $x_N^M$ ), the *equivalent mass*  $m_N$  of the natural zaid can be computed as:

$$m_N = \sum_{\text{zaids}} \text{NA}_{\text{zaid}} \cdot m_{\text{zaid}}$$

and then the mass fraction of each expanded new zaid ( $x_{\text{zaid}}^M$ ) can be calculated as:

$$x_{\text{zaid}}^M = x_N^M \cdot (\text{NA}_{\text{zaid}} \cdot m_{\text{zaid}}) / M_N$$

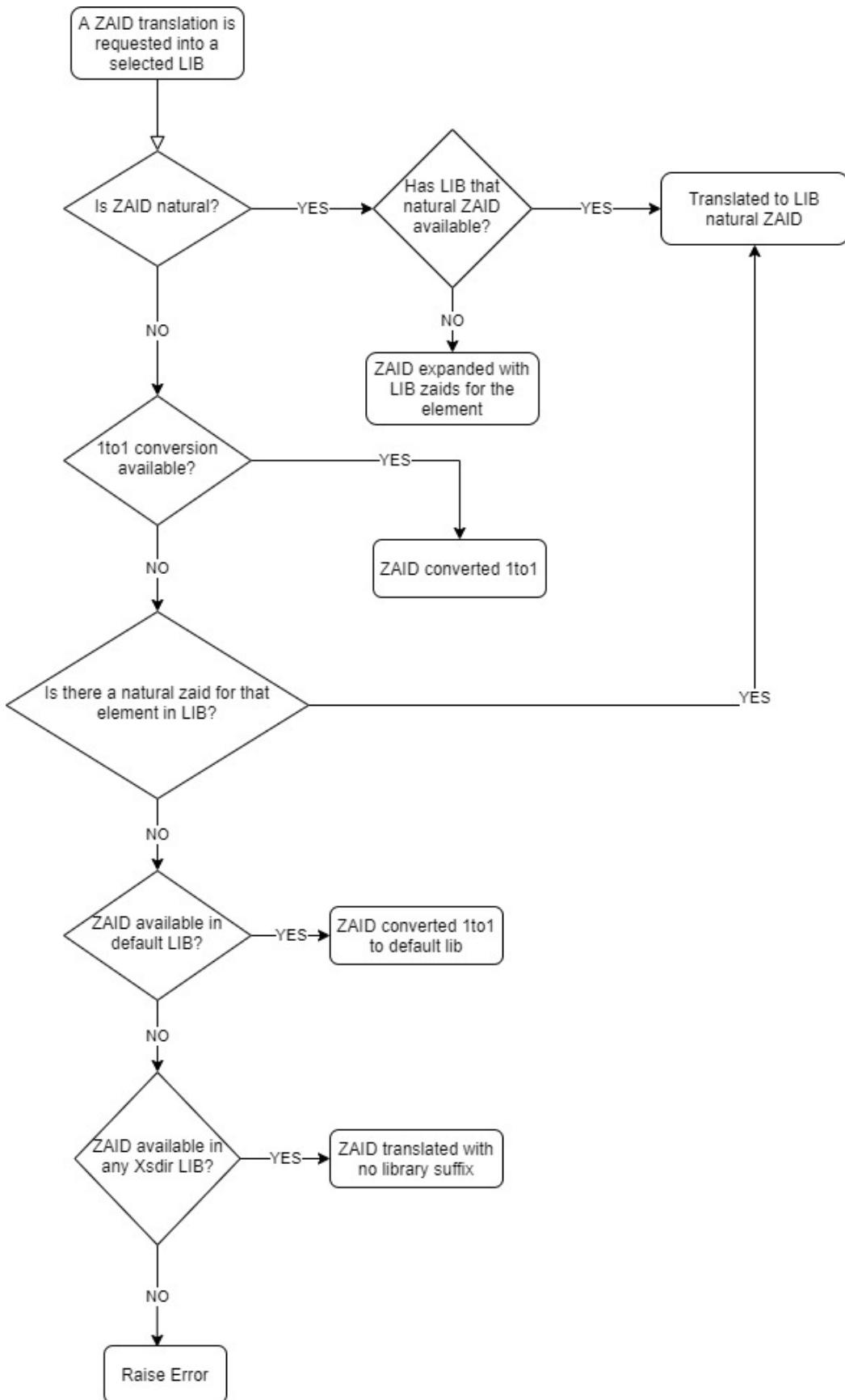
where  $(\text{NA}_{\text{zaid}} \cdot m_{\text{zaid}}) / M_N$  is basically the natural abundance in mass of the zaid.

The new input will be dumped in the <JADE root>\Utilities\Translation folder. The following scheme summarizes the JADE translation logic.

There are few format that can be used to request a translation:

**Default (e.g. 31c)** Only one library is provided and the above described translation procedure is followed

**ExactMode (e.g. {99c: [1001, 1002], 31c: [8016]})** This mode is used in the automatic translation of D1S inputs where the mix between zaids to be used for transport and zaids to be used for activation result in additional complexity during the translation. The use of such mode is discourauged in the **trans** utility.



**1to1Mode (e.g. {99c: 98c, 31c: 21c})** In case more than one library have been used in the original input the user can provide a dictionary which specifies for each original library (e.g. 99c and 31c) to which new library the zaids should be translated to (e.g. 31c and 21c).

## 8.4 Print materials info

### printmat

This function is used to print a summary of an MCNP input material section. The information is contained in two sheets of an Excel file dumped into the <JADE root>\Utilities\Materials Infos folder. The first sheet summarizes information at the single isotope level. Here both the atom and mass fraction for each zaid is reported divided by material and submaterial. It may happen that the original fraction appearing in the MCNP input is not normalized. JADE prints this fraction as it is and only the alternative fraction is normalized during its calculation.

Material	Submaterial	Element	Isotope	Atom Fraction	Mass Fraction
M400	1	H	H-1 [1001]	6.34E-02	-1.12E-01
			H-2 [1002]	7.29E-06	-2.58E-05
		O	O-16 [8016]	3.15E-02	-8.85E-01
			O-17 [8017]	1.20E-05	-3.58E-04
			O-18 [8018]	6.48E-05	-2.05E-03
		H	H-1 [1001]	5.55E-04	-4.04E-04
			H-2 [1002]	6.38E-08	-9.28E-08
		B	B-10 [5010]	1.95E-02	-1.41E-01
			B-11 [5011]	7.85E-02	-6.24E-01
		C	C-12 [6012]	2.45E-02	-2.12E-01
		N	N-14 [7014]	1.31E-04	-1.33E-03
			N-15 [7015]	4.85E-07	-5.26E-06
		O	O-16 [8016]	6.07E-04	-7.01E-03
		F	F-19 [9019]	1.82E-06	-2.50E-05
		Mg	Mg-24 [12024]	6.75E-05	-1.17E-03
			Mg-25 [12025]	8.55E-06	-1.54E-04
			Mg-26 [12026]	9.41E-06	-1.77E-04
		Al	Al-27 [13027]	1.54E-04	-3.00E-03
		Si	Si-28 [14028]	6.82E-05	-1.38E-03
			Si-29 [14029]	3.46E-06	-7.25E-05
			Si-30 [14030]	2.28E-06	-4.94E-05
		Cl	Cl-35 [17035]	2.22E-06	-5.61E-05
			Cl-37 [17037]	7.10E-07	-1.89E-05
		Ca	Ca-40 [20040]	1.01E-04	-2.90E-03
			Ca-42 [20042]	6.71E-07	-2.03E-05
			Ca-43 [20043]	1.40E-07	-4.34E-06
			Ca-44 [20044]	2.16E-06	-6.86E-05
			Ca-46 [20046]	4.15E-09	-1.38E-07
			Ca-48 [20048]	1.94E-07	-6.71E-06
		Fe	Fe-54 [26054]	7.25E-06	-2.82E-04
			Fe-56 [26056]	1.14E-04	-4.60E-03
			Fe-57 [26057]	2.63E-06	-1.08E-04
			Fe-58 [26058]	3.50E-07	-1.46E-05

Fig. 3: Extract of the isotope sheet.

The second sheet summarizes information at the element level. Three fractions are here listed for each element:

- the fraction of the element in the MCNP material card (often not normalized);

- the normalized fraction of the element in the submaterial;
- the normalized fraction of the element in the material.

Depending on which kind of fraction it was used in the orginal MCNP input, these three fraction need to be interpreted as either *mass* or *atom* fraction.

Material	Submaterial	Element	Fraction	Sub-Material Fraction	Material Fraction
M200	1	Al	7.90E-04	1.10E-02	1.10E-02
		B	9.53E-06	1.32E-04	1.32E-04
		Ba	7.30E-07	1.01E-05	1.01E-05
		C	6.75E-03	9.37E-02	9.37E-02
		Ca	8.49E-03	1.18E-01	1.18E-01
		Ce	1.59E-07	2.21E-06	2.21E-06
		Cl	4.85E-06	6.73E-05	6.73E-05
		Co	5.84E-08	8.11E-07	8.11E-07
		Cr	4.56E-07	6.33E-06	6.33E-06
		Cs	3.11E-08	4.32E-07	4.32E-07
		Cu	1.89E-07	2.62E-06	2.62E-06
		Fe	2.30E-04	3.19E-03	3.19E-03
		H	4.98E-03	6.91E-02	6.91E-02
		K	1.49E-04	2.06E-03	2.06E-03
		Mg	2.93E-04	4.06E-03	4.06E-03
		N	4.91E-05	6.81E-04	6.81E-04
		Na	1.81E-04	2.51E-03	2.51E-03
		O	4.23E-02	5.87E-01	5.87E-01
		P	9.98E-06	1.39E-04	1.39E-04
		S	1.67E-04	2.32E-03	2.32E-03
		Si	7.65E-03	1.06E-01	1.06E-01
		Ti	2.15E-05	2.99E-04	2.99E-04
	2	Er	3.29E-08	1.27E-02	4.57E-07
		Ga	5.47E-07	2.11E-01	7.60E-06
		Gd	3.50E-08	1.35E-02	4.86E-07
		Ge	7.59E-08	2.92E-02	1.05E-06
		Hf	1.54E-08	5.94E-03	2.14E-07
		La	1.01E-07	3.89E-02	1.40E-06
		Li	1.79E-06	6.88E-01	2.48E-05
		Lu	3.94E-09	1.52E-03	5.46E-08
	3	Mn	1.10E-06	1.00E+00	1.52E-05
	4	Sb	2.26E-08	1.00E+00	3.14E-07
	5	Sc	6.13E-08	1.00E+00	8.51E-07
	6	Th	7.72E-08	9.46E-02	1.07E-06
		V	5.68E-07	6.96E-01	7.88E-06
		Y	1.70E-07	2.09E-01	2.37E-06
	7	Zn	7.04E-07	7.86E-01	9.77E-06
		Zr	1.92E-07	2.14E-01	2.66E-06

Fig. 4: Extract of the element sheet.

## 8.5 Generate material mixture

**generate**

This function is used to generate a material mixture starting from two or more materials contained in a single MCNP input. The user will be asked for:

- absolute path to the MCNP input;
- if the zaids need to have a mass or atom fraction;
- material names (e.g. m1) to be used in the mixture;
- percentages to be used in the mixture for each material;
- nuclear data library to use for the new material mixture.

The following is an example of how all these inputs are provided via console.

```
Enter action: generate
Materials source file: C:\Users\d.laghi\Documents\GitHub\JADE\Benchmarks\inputs\TypicalMaterials
Fraction type (either 'mass' or 'atom'): mass
Source materials (e.g. m1-m10): m400-m200
Materials percentages (e.g. 0.1-0.9): 0.2-0.8
Select library (e.g. 31c or 99c-31c): 32c
Material generated
```

Each material will be transformed in a submaterial of the newly generated mixture retaining its header if present. The new material will be dumped in the <JADE root>\Utilities\Generated Materials folder.

## 8.6 Switch material fractions

**switch**

This function can be used to switch an MCNP input from having atom fractions to mass fractions and viceversa. The new input will be dumped in the <JADE root>\Utilities\Fraction switch folder.

## 8.7 Change .ace libraries suffix

New in version v1.3.0: acelib

This function asks for a directory absolute path and for a new library suffix (e.g. 98c). All .ace files contained in the folder will have their original suffix changed to the new one. This function operates in a non-destructive way, that is, the switch is not implemented on the original file but on copies of them instead. The copies will be saved in a folder created at the same level of the original one. **This function does not modify the XSDIR file.**

## 8.8 Produce D1S-UNED reaction files

New in version v1.3.0: `react`

This function, given a D1S input file, produce a correspondent reaction file where all possible reactions that can originate from the input materials are listed. The complete list of available reactions for each D1S activation library is provided (and may be modified) in the <JADE\_root>\Configuration\Activation.xlsx file.

The generated reaction files are dumped in the <JADE root>\Utilities\Reactions folder



## TIPS & TRICKS

This section reunites a series of tips and tricks that can be used to *unlock* JADE additional capabilities.

### 9.1 External Run of a benchmark

It may be useful for particularly computational-intensive benchmark to be run on a separate hardware (e.g. a server) with respect to the one used for JADE. This can be achieved quite easily with the following steps:

1. set the `OnlyInput` option in the `<JADE root>\Configuration\Conf.xlsx` file to True for the benchmark that needs to be run externally. This will generate the MCNP input file of the benchmark that can be found in `<JADE root>\Tests\MCNP simulation\<lib suffix>\<Benchmark name>` without running it;
2. copy the generated input file into the hardware selected for the run and start the MCNP simulation. The only requirement is to use the MCNP keyword `name=` when launching the simulation in order to obtain consistently named outputs, for instance:  
`mcnp6 name=FNG tasks 32`
3. once the simulation is completed, copy all MCNP outputs to the same `<JADE root>\Tests\MCNP simulation\<lib suffix>\<Benchmark name>` folder;
4. normally run the post-processing.

### 9.2 Change the plots fontsizes

Font size in plots is hardcoded in JADE. Nevertheless to change these value globally for all plots it is quite easy since they are all defined at the beginning of the `<JADE root>\Code\plotter.py` file trough the `matplotlib.pyplot.rc` attribute:

```
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
# -----
#           Specify parameters for plots
# -----
SMALL_SIZE = 22
MEDIUM_SIZE = 26
BIGGER_SIZE = 30

plt.rc('font', size=SMALL_SIZE)         # controls default text sizes
plt.rc('axes', titlesize=BIGGER_SIZE)   # fontsize of the axes title
plt.rc('axes', labelsize=MEDIUM_SIZE)   # fontsize of the x and y labels
plt.rc('xtick', labelsize=SMALL_SIZE)    # fontsize of the tick labels
plt.rc('ytick', labelsize=SMALL_SIZE)    # fontsize of the tick labels
```

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plt.rc('legend', fontsize=SMALL_SIZE)      # legend fontsize
plt.rc('figure', titlesize=BIGGER_SIZE)    # fontsize of the figure title
plt.rc('lines', markersize=12)              # Marker default size
```

## TROUBLESHOOTING

### 10.1 Unable to post-process a library

It may happen that the request to post-process a library fails, prompting to video that the library in question has not been run.

```
*****
        Welcome to JADE v1.4.0
        A nuclear libraries V&V Test Suite
        Release date: 29/10/2021

        POST PROCESSING MENU

        Powered by NIER, UNIBO, F4E
*****

* Print tested libraries          (printlib)
* Post-Process library           (pp)
* Compare libraries              (compare)
* Compare Vs Experiments        (compexp)
* Back to main menu              (back)
* Exit                           (exit)

Enter action: pp
Libraries to post-process (e.g. 31c-71c): 39c
39c was not run. Please run it first.
Enter action:
```

This may puzzle the user who is sure to have run the library instead.

This may happen if:

- in the *Main Configuration* file, not all the benchmark that are currently set as active for the post-processing have been actually run;
- MCNP was run for the benchmarks but there were errors in the Monte Carlo simulations. JADE considers a benchmark to have been “run” only if a mctal or fmesh file has been produced for each of the MCNP run

foreseen by the benchmark.

## INSERT CUSTOM BENCHMARKS

This section of the guide describes how to add custom benchmarks to the JADE suite. The procedures necessary to implement new computational and experimental benchmarks are different and are described respectively in *Insert Custom Computational Benchmark* and *Insert Custom Experimental Benchmark*.

### 11.1 Insert Custom Computational Benchmark

Implementing a new computational benchmark is relatively easy and, theoretically, no additional code is required. The procedure is composed by the following steps:

1. Once the benchmark input has been finalized, save it as <JADE\_root>\Benchmark inputs\<name>.i.
2. Add the benchmark to the main configuration file in the computational sheet. See *Computational benchmarks* for additional information on this.
3. [OPTIONAL] if external weight windows (WW) are used, the WW file must be named *wwinp* and inserted in <JADE\_root>\Benchmark inputs\VRT\<name>\.
4. Create a custom post-processing configuration file as described in *Benchmark post-processing configuration* and save it in <JADE\_root>\Configuration\Benchmarks Configuration\<name>.xlsx

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**Note:** The benchmark input should not contain any STOP paramaters or NPS card (this is regulated by the main configuration file).

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**Note:** It is recommended to provide a comment card (FC) for each tally. These comments are considered the extended tally names and are used during post-processing.

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**Warning:** benchmark input file name cannot end with ‘o’ or ‘m’.

## 11.2 Insert Custom Experimental Benchmark

Inserting a custom experimental benchmark is slightly more complex, but a significant higher order of customization is guaranteed. Steps 1) and 2) of the computational benchmarks procedure still need to be followed but then some additional coding needs to be performed, specifically, a new child of the *ExperimentalOutput* class needs to be defined inside <JADE\_root>\Code\expoutput.py. In order to do that, at least the three abstract methods `_processMCNPdata()`, `_pp_excel_comparison()` and `_build_atlas()` need to be implemented in the new class. Once this has been done, a few other adjustments need to be done to the code.

### 11.2.1 Call the right Output class

In <JADE\_root>\Code\postprocess.py, the function `_get_output()` controls the creation of the benchmark object during post-processing depending on the benchmark. Here an *elif* statement needs to be added to ensure that the newly created custom class is called when generating the output for the custom added experimental benchmark. Here is an example of how the FNG benchmark was added:

```
...
elif testname == 'FNG':
    if action == 'compare':
        out = expo.FNGOutput(lib, testname, session, multiplierun=True)
    elif action == 'pp':
        print(exp_pp_message)
        return False
...
...
```

The user should just substitute FNG with the name of the benchmark input and `FNGOutput` with the newly created class. Attention should be paid also to the `multiplerun` keyword, set True if the benchmark is actually composed by more than one input (i.e. multiple MCNP/D1S runs).

### 11.2.2 Additional actions for multi-run benchmarks

**Warning:** these next actions need to be performed **only** if the benchmark is composed by more than one input.

In <JADE\_root>\Code\status.py the name of the benchmark input needs to be added to the `MULTI_TEST`

```
MULTI_TEST = ['Sphere', 'Oktavian', 'SphereSDDR', 'FNG']
```

In <JADE\_root>\Code\computational.py the function `executeBenchmarksRoutines` is responsible for the generation and run of the benchmarks during a JADE session. The modification here is to be performed in the part that is responsible for choosing the `Test` object to be used depending on the benchmark. Here is the code snippet of interest:

```
...
# Handle special cases
if testname == 'Sphere Leakage Test':
    test = testrun.SphereTest(*args)

elif testname == 'Sphere SDDR':
```

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```
test = testrun.SphereTestSDDR(*args)

elif fname == 'Oktavian':
    test = testrun.MultipleTest(*args)

elif fname == 'FNG':
    test = testrun.MultipleTest(*args, TestOb=testrun.FNGTest)

else:
    test = testrun.Test(*args)

...
```

The default option is to simply create a `Test` object. Clearly, if a children was defined specifically for the new experimental benchmark, an option would need to be added here. If the benchmark is a multirun one, an additional `elif` statement needs to be added similarly to what has been done for the FNG benchmark.

**See also:**

see also [testrun module](#) for a better description of the `Test` object and his children



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## MODIFY DOCUMENTATION

This documentation is written with [Sphynx](#) using a template provided by [Read The Docs](#). Before attempting to modify the documentation, the developer should familiarize with these tools and with the RST language that is used to actually write the doc.

Inside <JADE root>\Code\docs are located the *source* and *build* directories of the documentation. To apply a modification, the user must simply modify/add one or more files in the *source* tree and in the *docs* folder execute from terminal the `make html` command.



## GENERAL OOP SCHEME

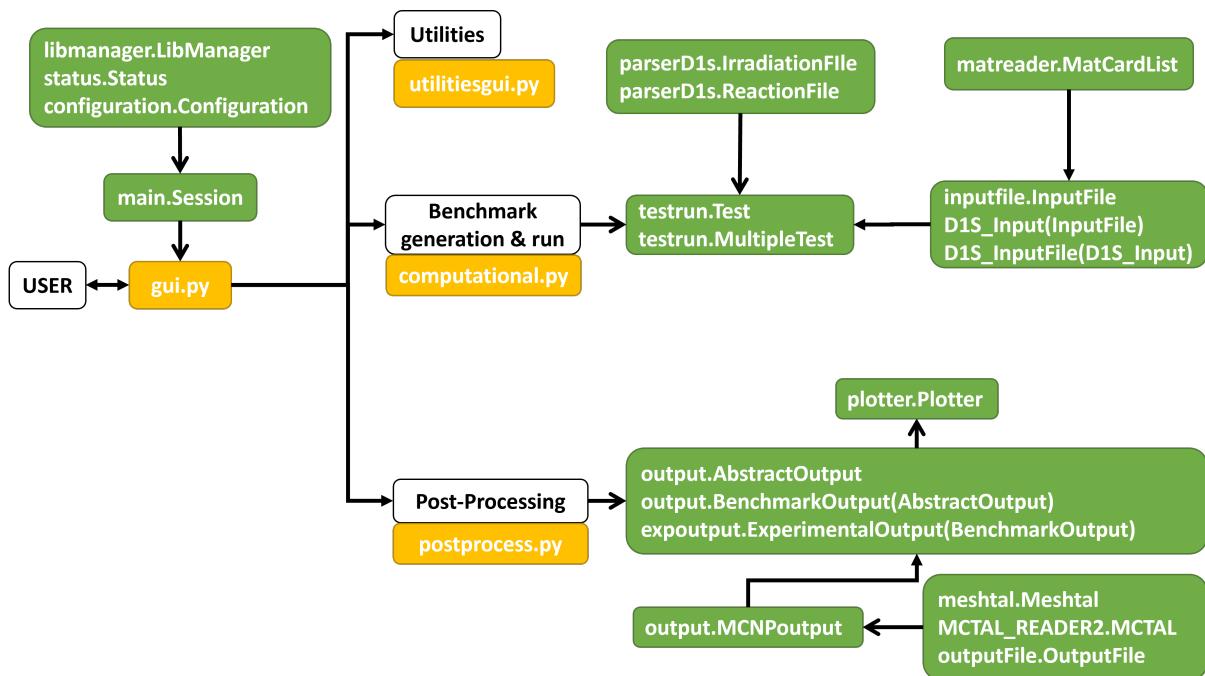


Fig. 1: General OOP scheme for the JADE code

All user interactions that happen through the command console are handled by the `gui.py` module. When JADE is started, a `Session` object is initialized which is a container for a series of information and tools that many parts of the code may need to access. In particular it contains:

**Paths** through `Session` it is possible to recover many paths to the different folders that constitutes the JADE tree (see also [Folder Structure](#)).

**Status** the `Status` object has informations on which libraries have been assessed or post-processed.

**Configuration** the `Configuration` object is the one that handles the parsing of the `Main Configuration` file.

**Library Manager** the `LibManager` is responsible for all operations related to nuclear data libraries. These include for instance checking the availability of a library, or handling the translation of a single isotope.

Generally speaking, the user can request three types of thing to the `gui`:

- use one of the utilities, that will trigger the call of the `utilitiesgui.py`;
- run the benchmark suite on a library through the `computational.py` module;
- perform the post-processing on one or more libraries calling the `postprocess.py` module.

## 13.1 Utilities

The `utilitiesgui.py` simply contains a number of functions associated to the different utilities available in JADE.

See also:

[Utilities](#)

## 13.2 Benchmarks generation and run

Operations for the benchmarks generation and run are handled by the `computational.py` module. In JADE the object representing a benchmark is the `Test` (or `MultipleTest` in case the benchmark is composed by more than one run). This object is responsible for the creation of the MCNP input and for its run. A vital attribute of the benchmark is its associated `InputFile` or one of its children. In case the benchmark is run with d1s code, an `IrradiationFile` and a `ReactionFile` are also associated with the test. A fundamental attribute of inputs is the `MatCardsList` which handles all operations related to the materials (including library translations).

## 13.3 Post-processing

Operations for the post-processing of benchmark run results are handled by the `postprocessing.py` module. All objects representing outputs of a benchmark run must be a child of the abstract class `AbstractOutput`. These classes always include an `MCNPOutput` which collect the results coming from the parsers of the different MCNP outputs.

## JADE SESSION

### 14.1 main module

#### 14.1.1 Session

`class main.Session`

Bases: object

This object represent a JADE session. All “environment” variables are initialized

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

`check_active_tests(action, exp=False)`

Check the configuration file for active benchmarks to perform or post-process

**Parameters**

- `session (Session)` – JADE session
- `action (str)` – either ‘Post-Processing’ or ‘Run’ (as in Configuration file)
- `exp (boolean)` – if True checks the experimental benchmarks. Default is False

**Returns to\_perform** – list of active test names

**Return type** list

`initialize()`

**Initialize JADE session:**

- folders structure is created if absent
- Configuration file is read and correspondent object is created
- Libmanager is created
- Logfile is created

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

`restore_default_settings()`

Reset the configuration files to installation default. The session is re-initialized.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

## 14.2 libmanager module

### 14.2.1 LibManager

**class** libmanager.LibManager(*xsdir\_file*, *defaultlib*='81c', *activationfile*=None, *isotopes\_file*=None)  
Bases: object

Object dealing with all complex operations that involves nuclear data

#### Parameters

- **xsdir\_file** (*str or path*) – path to the MCNP xsdir reference file.
- **defaultlib** (*str, optional*) – lib suffix to be used as default in translation operations. The default is '81c'.
- **activationfile** (*str or path, optional*) – path to the config file containing the reactions data for activation libraries. The default is None.
- **isotopes\_file** (*str or path, optional*) – path to the isotopes files. If None (default) the file is searched in the current directory.

#### Returns

**Return type** None.

**check4zaid**(*zaid*)

Check which libraries are available for the selected zaid and return it

**Parameters** *zaid* (*str*) – zaid string (e.g. 1001).

**Returns** **libraries** – list of libraries available for the zaid.

**Return type** list

**convertZaid**(*zaid*, *lib*)

This methods will convert a zaid into the requested library

#### modes:

- 1to1: there is one to one correspondence for the zaid
- natural: the zaids will be expanded using the natural abundance
- absent: the zaid is not available in the library, a default one will be used or the natural one if available.

#### Parameters

- **zaid** (*str*) – zaid name (ex. 1001).
- **lib** (*str*) – library suffix (ex. 21c).

**Raises** **ValueError** – if the library is not available in the xsdir file or if there is no valid translation for the zaid.

**Returns** **translation** – {zaidname:(lib,nat\_abundance,Atomic mass)}.

**Return type** dic

**get\_libzaids(*lib*)**

Given a library, returns all zuids available

**Parameters** **lib** (*str*) – suffix of the library.

**Returns** **zuids** – list of zaid names available in the library.

**Return type** list

**get\_reactions(*lib*, *parent*)**

get the reactions available for a specific zaid and parent nuclide

**Parameters**

- **lib** (*str*) – library suffix as in sheet name of the activation file.
- **parent** (*str*) – zaid number of the parent (e.g. 1001).

**Returns** **reactions** – contains tuple of (MT, daughter).

**Return type** list

**get\_zaid\_mass(*zaid*)**

Get the atomic mass of one zaid

**Parameters** **zaid** (`matreader.Zaid`) – Zaid to examine.

**Returns** **m** – atomic mass.

**Return type** float

**get\_zaidname(*zaid*)**

Given a zaid, its element name and formula are returned. E.g., hydrogen, H1

**Parameters** **zaid** (*str*) – zaid number (e.g. 1001 for H1).

**Returns**

- **name** (*str*) – element name (e.g. hydrogen).
- **formula** (*str*) – isotope name (e.g. H1).

**get\_zaidnum(*zaidformula*)**

Given a zaid formula return the correct number

**Parameters** **zaidformula** (*str*) – name of the zaid, e.g., H1.

**Returns** **zaidnum** – number of the zaid ZZZAA

**Return type** str

**select\_lib()**

Prompt an library input selection with Xsdir availability check

**Returns** **lib** – Library to assess.

**Return type** str

## 14.3 state module

### 14.3.1 Status

```
class status.Status(session)
```

Bases: object

Stores the state of the JADE runs and post-processing.

**Parameters** `session` (`main.Session`) – JADE session.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

```
check_lib_run(lib, session, config_option='Run', exp=False)
```

Check if a library has been run. To be considered run a meshtally or meshtal have to be produced. Only active benchmarks (specified in the configuration file) are checked.

**Parameters**

- `lib` (`str`) – Library to check.
- `session` (`Session`) – Jade Session.
- `config_option` (`str`) – Specifies the configuration option onto which the check for tests “to perform” are registered.
- `exp` (`boolean`) – if True checks the experimental benchmarks. Default is False

**Returns** `test_runned` – True if all benchmark have been run for the library.

**Return type** Bool

```
check_override_pp(session, exp=False)
```

Asks for the library/ies to post-process and checks which tests have already been performed and would be overridden according to the configuration file. This can be used also to check if in a post processing of multiple libraries with single library post processing is missing.

**Parameters**

- `session` (`Session`) – JADE session
- `exp` (`boolean`) – if True checks the experimental benchmarks. Default is False

**Returns**

- `ans` (`Boolean`) – True if the PP can begin (Possible override has been accepted).
- `to_single_pp` (`list`) – list of libraries that need to be single post-processed
- `lib_input` (`str`) – libraries input that were given

```
check_override_run(lib, session, exp=False)
```

Check status of the requested run. If overridden is required permission is requested to the user

**Parameters**

- `lib` (`str`) – Library to run.
- `session` (`Session`) – Jade Session.
- `exp` (`False`) – if True checks the experimental benchmarks. Default is False

**Returns** `ans` – if True proceed with the run, if False, abort.

**Return type** Boolean

**check\_pp\_single**(*lib, session, tree='single', exp=False*)

Check if the post processing of a single library or a comparison has been already done. To consider it done, all benchmarks must have been post-processed

**Parameters**

- **lib** (*string*) – library/ies to check.
- **session** (*Session*) – JADE session.
- **tree** (*string, optional*) – Either ‘single’ to check in the single pp tree or ‘comparison’ to check into the comparison one. The default is ‘single’.
- **exp** (*boolean*) – if True checks the experimental benchmarks. Default is False

**Returns** True if PP has been done.

**Return type** Boolean

**static check\_test\_run**(*files*)

Check if a test has been run

**Parameters** **files** (*list*) – file names inside test folder.

**Returns** **flag\_test\_run** – True if test has been run.

**Return type** Bool

**get\_path**(*tree, itinerary*)

Get the resulting path of an itinerary on one tree

**Parameters**

- **tree** (*str*) – Either ‘comparison’, ‘single’, or ‘run’.
- **itinerary** (*list*) – list of strings representing the step to take inside the tree.

**Raises** **KeyError** – if var tree is not among possible strings.

**Returns** **cp** – path to final step.

**Return type** str/path

**get\_unfinished\_zuids**(*lib*)

Identify zuids to run for rerun or continuation purposes

**Parameters** **lib** (*str*) – library to check.

**Returns** **unfinished** – zuids/typical materials not run.

**Return type** list

**update\_pp\_status**()

Read/Update the post processing tree status. All files produced by post processing registered

**Returns**

- **comparison\_tree** (*dic*) – Dictionary registering all test post processed for each comparison of libraries.
- **single\_tree** (*dic*) – Dictionary registering all test post processed performed for single libraries.

**update\_run\_status**()

Read/Update the run tree status. All files produced by runs are registered

**Returns** **libraries** – dictionary of dictionaries representing the run tree

**Return type** dic

## 14.4 configuration module

### 14.4.1 Configuration

**class** configuration.Configuration(*conf\_file*)

Bases: object

Parser of the main configuration file

**Parameters** **conf\_file** (*path like object*) – path to configuration file.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**get\_lib\_name**(*suffix*)

Get the name of the library from its suffix. If a name was not specified in the configuration file the same suffix is returned

**Parameters** **suffix** (*str*) – e.g. 21c .

**Returns** Name of the library.

**Return type** str

**read\_settings**()

Parse the configuration file

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

## INPUT GENERATION

In this section the most useful classes that can be used during benchmark input preparation are described.

### 15.1 matreader module

#### 15.1.1 MatCardsList

`class matreader.MatCardsList(materials)`

Bases: `collections.abc.Sequence`

Object representing the list of materials included in an MCNP input. This class is a child of the Sequence base class.

**Parameters** `materials (list[Material])` – list of materials.

**Returns**

**Return type** `None`.

`classmethod from_input(inputfile)`

This method use the numjuggler parser to help identify the mcards in the input. Then the mcards are parsed using the classes defined in this module

**Parameters**

- `cls (TYPE)` – DESCRIPTION.
- `inputfile (os.PathLike)` – MCNP input file containing the material section.

**Returns** new material card list generated.

**Return type** `MatCardsList`

`get_info(lib_manager, zaids=False, complete=False)`

Get the material informations in terms of fraction and composition of the material card

**Parameters**

- `lib_manager (libmanager.LibManager)` – To handle element name recovering.
- `zaids (bool, optional)` – Consider or not the zaid level. The default is False.
- `complete (bool, optional)` – If True both the atom and mass fraction are given in the raw table. The default is False.

**Returns**

- `df (pd.DataFrame)` – Raw infos on the fractions.

- **df\_elem** (*pd.DataFrame*) – processed info for the element: normalized fraction added both for material and submaterial.

**to\_text()**

return text of the material cards in order

**Returns** material card list MCNP formatted text.

**Return type** str

**translate(*newlib, lib\_manager*)**

This method allows to translate the material cards to another library. The zaid are collapsed again to get the new elements

**Parameters**

- **newlib** (*dict or str*) – There are a few ways that newlib can be provided:
  - 1) str (e.g. ‘31c’), the new library to translate to will be the one indicated;
  - 2) dic (e.g. {‘98c’ : ‘99c’, ‘31c’: ‘32c’}), the new library is determined based on the old library of the zaid
  - 3) dic (e.g. {‘98c’: [list of zaids], ‘31c’: [list of zaids]}), the new library to be used is explicitly stated depending on the zaidnum.
- **lib\_manager** (*libmanager.LibManager*) – Library manager for the conversion.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**update\_info(*lib\_manager*)**

This methods allows to update the in-line comments for every zaids containing additional information

**Parameters** **lib\_manager** (*libmanager.LibManager*) – Library manager for the conversion.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

## 15.1.2 Material

```
class matreader.Material(zaids, elem, name, submaterials=None, mx_cards=[], header=None)
```

Bases: object

Object representing an MCNP material

**Parameters**

- **zaids** (*list[zaids]*) – zaids composing the material.
- **elem** (*list[elem]*) – elements composing the material.
- **name** (*str*) – name of the material (e.g. m1).
- **submaterials** (*list[Submaterials]*, *optional*) – list of submaterials composing the material. The default is None.
- **mx\_cards** (*list*, *optional*) – list of mx\_cards in the material if present. The default is [].
- **header** (*str*, *optional*) – material header. The default is None.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**add\_mx(*mx\_cards*)**

Add a list of mx\_cards to the material

**classmethod from\_text(*text*)**

Create a material from MCNP formatted text

**Parameters**

- **cls** (*TYPE*) – DESCRIPTION.
- **text** (*list[str]*) – MCNP formatted text.

**Returns** material object created.

**Return type** *matreader.Material*

**get\_tot\_fraction()**

Returns the total material fraction

**switch\_fraction(*ftype*, *lib\_manager*, *inplace=True*)**

Switch between atom or mass fraction for the material card. If the material is already switched the command is ignored.

**Parameters**

- **ftype** (*str*) – Either ‘mass’ or ‘atom’ to chose the type of switch.
- **lib\_manager** (*libmanager.LibManager*) – Handles zaid data.
- **inplace** (*bool*) – if True the densities of the isotopes are changed inplace, otherwise a copy of the material is provided. DEFAULT is True

**Raises** **KeyError** – if ftype is not either ‘atom’ or ‘mass’.

**Returns** **submaterials** – list of the submaterials where fraction have been switched

**Return type** list

**to\_text()**

Write the material to MCNP formatted text

**Returns** MCNP formatte text representing the material.

**Return type** str

**translate(*newlib*, *lib\_manager*, *update=True*)**

This method allows to translate all submaterials to another library

**Parameters**

- **newlib** (*dict or str*) – There are a few ways that newlib can be provided:
  - 1) str (e.g. 31c), the new library to translate to will be the one indicated;
  - 2) dic (e.g. {‘98c’ : ‘99c’, ‘31c’: 32c}), the new library is determined based on the old library of the zaid
  - 3) dic (e.g. {‘98c’: [list of zuids], ‘31c’: [list of zuids]}), the new library to be used is explicitly stated depending on the zaidnum.
- **lib\_manager** (*libmanager.LibManager*) – object handling all libraries operations.
- **update** (*bool, optional*) – if True, material infos are updated. The default is True.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**update\_info(lib\_manager)**

This methods allows to update the in-line comments for every zaids containing additional information

lib\_manager: (LibManager) Library manager for the conversion

### 15.1.3 Submaterial

**class matreader.SubMaterial(name, zaidList=None, elemList=None, header=None, additional\_keys=[])**  
Bases: object

Generate a SubMaterial Object starting from a list of Zaid and eventually Elements list

**Parameters**

- **name** (str) – if the first submaterial, the name is the name of the material (e.g. m1).
- **zaidList** (list[Zaid]) – list of zaids composing the submaterial.
- **elemList** (list[Element], optional) – list of elements composing the submaterial. The default is None.
- **header** (str, optional) – Header of the submaterial. The default is None.
- **additional\_keys** (list[str], optional) – list of additional keywords in the submaterial. The default is [].

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**collapse\_zoids()**

Organize zaids into their elements and collapse mutiple instances

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**classmethod from\_text(text)**

Generate a submaterial from MCNP input text

**Parameters**

- **cls** (SubMaterial) – submaterial to be generated.
- **text** (list[str]) – Original text of the MCNP input.

**Returns** generated submaterial.

**Return type** SubMaterial

**get\_info(lib\_manager)**

Returns DataFrame containing the different fractions of the elements and zaids

**Parameters** lib\_manager (libmanager.LibManager) – Library manager for the conversion.

**Returns**

- **df\_el** (pd.DataFrame) – table of information of the submaterial on an elemental level.
- **df\_zoids** (pd.DataFrame) – table of information of the submaterial on a zaid level.

**scale\_fractions(norm\_factor)**

Scale the zaids fractions using a normalizing factor

**Parameters** `norm_factor` (*float*) – scaling factor.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

#### `to_text()`

Write to text in MNCP format the submaterial

**Returns** formatted submaterial text.

**Return type** str

#### `translate(newlib, lib_manager)`

This method implements the translation logic of JADE. All zuids are translated accordingly to the newlib specified.

**Parameters**

- `newlib` (*dict or str*) – There are a few ways that newlib can be provided:

1) str (e.g. ‘31c’), the new library to translate to will be the one indicated;

2) dic (e.g. {‘98c’ : ‘99c’, ‘31c’: ‘32c’}), the new library is determined based on the old library of the zaid

3) dic (e.g. {‘98c’: [list of zuids], ‘31c’: [list of zuids]}), the new library to be used is explicitly stated depending on the zaidnum.

- `lib_manager` ([LibManager](#)) – Object handling libraries operation.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

#### `update_info(lib_manager)`

This methods allows to update the in-line comments for every zuids containing additional information

**Parameters** `lib_manager` ([libmanager.LibManager](#)) – Library manager for the conversion.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

### 15.1.4 Element

#### `class matreader.Element(zaidList)`

Bases: object

Generate an Element object starting from a list of zuids. It will collapse multiple instance of a zaid into a single one

**Parameters** `zaidList` (*list*) – list of zuids constituting the element.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

#### `get_fraction()`

Get the sum of the fraction of the zuids composing the element

**Returns** `fraction` – element fraction.

**Return type** float

**update\_zaidinfo(libmanager)**

Update zuids infos through a libmanager. Info are the formula name and the abundance in the material.

**Parameters** **libmanager** ([libmanager.LibManager](#)) – libmanager handling the libraries operations.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

## 15.1.5 Zaid

**class matreader.Zaid(fraction, element, isotope, library, ab='', fullname='')**

Bases: object

Object representing a Zaid

**Parameters**

- **fraction** (*str/float*) – fraction of the zaid.
- **element** (*str*) – element part of the zaid (AA).
- **isotope** (*str*) – isotope part of the zaid (ZZZ).
- **library** (*str*) – library suffix (e.g. 99c).
- **ab** (*str, optional*) – abundance of the zaid in the material. The default is ''.
- **fullname** (*str, optional*) – formula name (e.g. H1). The default is ''.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**classmethod from\_string(string)**

Generate a zaid object from an MCNP string

**Parameters**

- **cls** ([matreader.Zaid](#)) – zaid to be created.
- **string** (*str*) – original MCNP string.

**Returns** created zaid.

**Return type** [Zaid](#)

**get\_fullname(libmanager)**

Get the formula name of the zaid (e.g. H1)

**Parameters** **libmanager** ([libmanager.LibManager](#)) – libmanager handling the libraries operations.

**Returns** **formula** – zaid formula name.

**Return type** str

**to\_text()**

Get the zaid string ready for MCNP material card

**Returns** zaid string.

**Return type** str

## 15.2 testrun module

### 15.2.1 Test

`class testrun.Test(inp, lib, config, log, VRTpath, confpath)`

Bases: object

Class representing a general test. This class will have to be extended for specific tests.

#### Parameters

- `inp (str)` – path to inputfile blueprint.
- `lib (str)` – library suffix to use (e.g. 31c).
- `config (pd.DataFrame (single row))` – configuration options for the test.
- `log (Log)` – Jade log file access.
- `VRTpath (path like object)` – path to the variance reduction folder.
- `confpath (path like object)` – path to the test configuration folder.

**Raises** `ValueError` – if the code specified in config is not admissible.

#### Returns

**Return type** None.

`custom_inp_modifications()`

Perform additional operation on the input before generation. In this parent object actually does nothing

#### Returns

**Return type** None.

`generate_test(lib_directory, libmanager, MCNP_dir=None)`

Generate the test input files

#### Parameters

- `lib_directory (path or string)` – Path to lib benchmarks input folders.
- `libmanager (libmanager.LibManager)` – Manager dealing with libraries operations.
- `MCNPdir (str or path)` – allows to ovewrite the MCNP dir if needed. The default is None

#### Returns

**Return type** None.

`run(cpu=1, timeout=None)`

run the input

#### Parameters

- `cpu (int, optional)` – number of CPU to be used. The default is 1.
- `timeout (int, optional)` – number of seconds after the simulation should be killed. The default is None.

#### Returns

**Return type** None.

## 15.2.2 MultipleTest

```
class testrun.MultipleTest(inpsfolder, lib, config, log, VRTpath, confpath, TestOb=<class 'testrun.Test'>)
Bases: object
```

A collection of Tests

### Parameters

- **inpsfolder** (*path-like object*) – folder that contains all inputs of the tests.
- **lib** (*str*) – library suffix to use (e.g. 31c).
- **config** (*pd.DataFrame (single row)*) – configuration options for the test.
- **log** (*Log*) – Jade log file access.
- **VRTpath** (*path like object*) – path to the variance reduction folder.
- **confpath** (*path like object*) – path to the test configuration folder.
- **TestOb** (*testrun.Test, optional*) – type of test object to be used. The default is Test.

### Returns

**Return type** None.

```
generate_test(lib_directory, libmanager)
```

Generate all the tests of the collection

### Parameters

- **lib\_directory** (*path-like*) – output directory where to generate the tests.
- **libmanager** (*libmanager.LibManager*) – object handling libraries operations.

### Returns

**Return type** None.

```
run(cpu=1, timeout=None)
```

Run all the tests

### Parameters

- **cpu** (*int, optional*) – number of CPU to be used. The default is 1.
- **timeout** (*int, optional*) – number of seconds after each simulation is killed. The default is None.

### Returns

**Return type** None.

## 15.3 inputFile module

### 15.3.1 InputFile

```
class inputFile.InputFile(cards, matlist, name=None)
Bases: object
```

Object representing an MCNP input file

### Parameters

- **cards** (*dic*) – contains the cells, surfaces, settings and title cards.
- **matlist** (*matreader.MatCardList*) – material list in the input.
- **name** (*str, optional*) – name associated with the file. The default is None.

**Returns****Return type** None.**add\_stopCard**(*nps, ctme, precision*)

Add STOP card

**Parameters**

- **nps** (*int*) – number of particles to simulate.
- **ctme** (*int*) – computer time.
- **precision** (*str, float*) – tally number, precision.

**Returns****Return type** None.**addlines2card**(*lines, blockID, cardID, offset\_all=True*)

Append some lines to one of the cards in the input

**Parameters**

- **lines** (*list or str*) – list of lines to be appended to the card. If a string is given, this is wrapped
- **blockID** (*str*) – either ‘cell’, ‘surf’, ‘settings’ or ‘title’.
- **cardID** (*str or int*) – card ID (e.g. FC22).
- **offset\_all** (*bool, optional*) – if True all the lines are off-setted with whitespace. If False the first line will have no offset (new card)

**Returns**

- *bool*
- *if lines have been successfully added return True, otherwise False.*

**change\_density**(*density, cellidx=1*)

Change the density of the sphere according to the selected zaid

**Parameters**

- **density** (*str/float*) – density to apply.
- **cellidx** (*int, optional*) – cell index where to modify the density. The default is 1.

**Returns****Return type** None.**classmethod from\_text**(*inputfile*)

This method use the numjuggler parser to help identify the mcards in the input which will usually undergo special treatments in the input creation

**Parameters**

- **cls** (*TYPE*) – DESCRIPTION.
- **inputfile** (*path like object*) – path to the MCNP input file.

**Returns****Return type** None.**get\_card\_byID**(*blockID, cardID*)

Get a card of the input based on its ID

**Parameters**

- **blockID** (*str*) – either ‘cell’, ‘surf’, ‘settings’ or ‘title’.
- **cardID** (*str or int*) – card ID (e.g. FC22).

**Raises** **ValueError** – if blockID is not allowed.**Returns** **card** – Selected card. If the card is not found, None is returned**Return type** numjuggler.parser.Card**static mcnp\_wrap**(*text, maxchars=80, whitespace=' ', offset\_all=True*)

Wrap the text of a card in MCNP style

**Parameters**

- **text** (*str*) – text of the card to be formatted.
- **maxchars** (*int, optional*) – max limit of chars in one line. The default is 80.
- **whitespace** (*str, optional*) – whitespace to be put in front of newlines. The default is ‘ ’.
- **offset\_all** (*bool, optional*) – if True all the lines are off-setted with whitespace. If False the first line will have no offset (new card)

**Returns** list of correctly wrapped line of a card expressing the initial text.**Return type** list**translate**(*newlib, libmanager*)

Translate the input to another library

**Parameters**

- **newlib** (*str*) – suffix of the new lib to translate to.
- **libmanager** (*libmanager.LibManager*) – Library manager for the conversion.

**Returns****Return type** None.**update\_zaidinfo**(*lib\_manager*)

This methods allows to update the in-line comments for every zuids containing additional information

**Parameters** **lib\_manager** (*libmanager.LibManager*) – Library manager for the conversion.**Returns****Return type** None.**write**(*out*)

Write the input to a file

**Parameters** **out** (*str*) – path to the output file.**Returns****Return type** None.

### 15.3.2 D1S\_Input

**class** `inputfile.D1S_Input(cards, matlist, name=None)`  
 Bases: `inputfile.InputFile`

Object representing an MCNP input file

#### Parameters

- **cards** (*dic*) – contains the cells, surfaces, settings and title cards.
- **matlist** (*matreader.MatCardList*) – material list in the input.
- **name** (*str, optional*) – name associated with the file. The default is None.

#### Returns

**Return type** None.

**add\_PIKMT\_card(parent\_list)**

Add a PIKMT card to the input file

**Parameters** `parent_list (list)` – list of parent zuids.

#### Returns

**Return type** None.

**add\_track\_contribution(tallyID, zaids, who='parent')**

Given a list of zaid add the FU bin in the requested tallies in order to collect the contribution of them to the tally.

#### Parameters

- **tallyID** (*str*) – ID of the tally onto which to operate (e.g. F4:p).
- **zaids** (*str*) – zaid number of the parent/daughter (e.g. 1001).
- **who** (*str, optional*) – either ‘parent’ or ‘daughter’ specifies the types of zuids to be tracked. The default is ‘parent’.

**Raises** `ValueError` – check for admissible who parameter.

**Returns** return True if lines were added correctly

**Return type** bool

**get\_reaction\_file(libmanager, lib)**

Collect all the possible reactions that are allowed amnong all the materials in the input

#### Parameters

- **libmanager** (*LibManager*) – Object handling all cross-sections related operations.
- **lib** (*str*) – library suffix to be used.

**Returns** Object representing the react file for D1S.

**Return type** `ReactionFile`

**translate(newlib, libmanager, original\_irradfile=None, original\_reacfile=None)**

Translate the input to another library. This methods ovverride the parent one since often two different libraries must be considered in a D1S input: a tranport and an activation library

#### Parameters

- **newlib** (*str*) – suffix of the new lib to translate to.

- **libmanager** ([LibManager](#)) – Library manager for the conversion.
- **original\_irradfile** (*d1s\_parser.IrradiationFile*, *optional*) – original irradiation file. The default is None.
- **original\_reacfile** (*d1s\_parser.ReactionFile*, *optional*) – original reaction file. The default is None.

**Returns**

- **newirradiations** (*list*) – list of Irradiation objects coming from the translation.
- **newreactions** (*list*) – list of Reactions objects coming from the translation.

### 15.3.3 D1S5\_InputFile

```
class inputfile.D1S5_InputFile(cards, matlist, name=None)
```

Bases: [inputfile.D1S\\_Input](#)

Object representing an MCNP input file

**Parameters**

- **cards** (*dic*) – contains the cells, surfaces, settings and title cards.
- **matlist** (*matreader.MatCardList*) – material list in the input.
- **name** (*str*, *optional*) – name associated with the file. The default is None.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

```
add_stopCard(nps, ctme, precision)
```

STOP card is not supported in MCNP 5. This simply is translated to a nps card. Warnings are prompt to the user if ctme or precision are specified.

**Parameters**

- **nps** (*int*) – number of particles to simulate
- **int** (*ctme* =) – computer time
- **(str** (*precision* =)) – tuple indicating the tally number and the precision requested
- **float**) – tuple indicating the tally number and the precision requested

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

## 15.4 parsersD1S module

### 15.4.1 IrradiationFile

```
class parsersD1S.IrradiationFile(nsc, irr_schedules, header=None, formatting=[8, 14, 13, 9],  
                                    name='irrad')
```

Bases: [object](#)

Object representing an irradiation D1S file

**Parameters**

- **nsc** (*int*) – number of irradiation schedule.
- **irr\_schedules** (*list of Irradiation object*) – contains all irradiation objects.
- **header** (*str, optional*) – Header of the file. The default is None.
- **formatting** (*list of int, optional*) – fwf values for the output columns. The default is [8, 14, 13, 9].
- **name** (*str, optional*) – name of the file. The default is ‘irrad’.

**Returns****Return type** None.**classmethod from\_text**(*filepath*)

Parse irradiation file

**Parameters**

- **cls** (*TYPE*) – DESCRIPTION.
- **filepath** (*str/path*) – path to the irradiation file.

**Returns****Return type** None.**get\_daughters**()

Get a list of all daughters among all irradiation files

**Returns** list of daughters.**Return type** list**get\_irrad**(*daughter*)

Return the irradiation correspondent to the daughter

**Parameters** **daughter** (*TYPE*) – DESCRIPTION.**Returns** Returns the irradiation corresponding to the daughter. If no irradiation is found returns None.**Return type** *Irradiation***write**(*path*)

Write the D1S irradiation file

**Parameters** **path** (*str or path*) – output path where to save the file (only directory).**Returns****Return type** None.

## 15.4.2 Irradiation

**class** **parsersD1S.Irradiation**(*daughter, lambd, times, comment=None*)Bases: *object*

Irradiation object

**Parameters**

- **daughter** (*str*) – daughter nuclide (e.g. 24051).
- **lambd** (*str*) – disintegration constant [1/s].

- **times** (*list of strings*) – time correction factors.
- **comment** (*str, optional*) – comment to the irradiation. The default is None.

**Returns****Return type** None.**classmethod** **from\_text**(*text, nsc*)

Parse a single irradiation

**Parameters**

- **cls** (*TYPE*) – DESCRIPTION.
- **text** (*str*) – text to be parsed.
- **nsc** (*int*) – number of irradiation schedule.

**Returns** DESCRIPTION.**Return type** TYPE

### 15.4.3 ReactionFile

**class** **parsersD1S.ReactionFile**(*reactions, name='react'*)

Bases: object

Reaction file object

**Parameters**

- **reactions** (*list*) – contains all reaction objects contained in the file.
- **name** (*name, optional*) – file name. The default is ‘react’.

**Returns****Return type** None.**change\_lib**(*newlib, libmanager=None*)

change the parent library tag of the reactions. If no libmanager is provided, the check on the availability of the parent in the xsdir file will be not performed.

**Parameters**

- **newlib** (*str*) – (e.g. 31c).
- **libmanager** (*LibManager, optional*) – Object managing library operations. The default is None.

**Returns****Return type** None.**classmethod** **from\_text**(*filepath*)

Generate a reaction file directly from text file

**Parameters**

- **cls** (*TYPE*) – DESCRIPTION.
- **filepath** (*str or path*) – file to read.

**Returns** Reaction File Object.**Return type** ReactionFile

**get\_parents()**

Get a list of all parents

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**write(path)**

write formatted reaction file

**Parameters** **path** (str/path) – path to the output file (only dir).

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

#### 15.4.4 Reaction

**class parsersD1S.Reaction(parent, MT, daughter, comment=None)**

Bases: object

Represents a single reaction of the reaction file

**Parameters**

- **parent** (str) – parent nuclide ZZAAA.XXc representing stable isotope to be activated. ZZ and AAA represent the atomic and mass number and extension XX, is the extension number of the modified D1S library.
- **MT** (str) – integer, reaction type (ENDF definition).
- **daughter** (str) – integer, tag of the daughter nuclide. The value could be defined as ZZAAA of daughter nuclide, but any other identification type (with integer value) can be used.
- **comment** (str, optional) – comment to the reaction. The default is None.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**change\_lib(newlib)**

Change the library tag

**Parameters** **newlib** (str) – (e.g. 52c).

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**classmethod from\_text(text)**

Create a reaction object from text

**Parameters**

- **cls** (TYPE) – DESCRIPTION.
- **text** (str) – formatted text describing the reaction.

**Returns** Reaction object.

**Return type** *Reaction*

**write()**

Generate the reaction text

**Returns** `text` – reaction text for D1S input.

**Return type** str

## POST-PROCESSING

In this section the most useful classes that can be used during benchmark post-processing are described.

### 16.1 output module

#### 16.1.1 AbstractOutput

```
class output.AbstractOutput
```

Bases: abc.ABC

```
static _get_output_files(results_path)
```

Recover the meshtal and outp file from a directory

Parameters **results\_path** (*str or path*) – path where the MCNP results are contained.

Raises **FileNotFoundException** – if either meshtal or outp are not found.

Returns

- **mfile** (*path*) – path to the meshtal file
- **ofile** (*path*) – path to the outp file

```
abstract compare()
```

To be executed when a comparison is requested

```
abstract single_postprocess()
```

To be executed when a single pp is requested

#### 16.1.2 BenchmarkOutput

```
class output.BenchmarkOutput(lib, testname, session)
```

Bases: *output.AbstractOutput*

General class for a Benchmark output

**Parameters**

- **lib** (*str*) – library to post-process
- **testname** (*str*) – Name of the benchmark
- **session** (*Session*) – Jade Session
- **exp** (*str*) – the benchmark is an experimental one

**Returns****Return type** None.**compare()**

Generates the full comparison post-processing (excel and atlas)

**Returns****Return type** None.**single\_postprocess()**

Execute the full post-processing of a single library (i.e. excel, raw data and atlas)

**Returns****Return type** None.

### 16.1.3 MCNPOutput

**class** output.MCNPOutput(*mctal\_file*, *output\_file*, *meshtal\_file=None*)

Bases: object

Class representing all outputs coming from and MCNP run

**Parameters**

- **mctal\_file** (*path like object*) – path to the mctal file.
- **output\_file** (*path like object*) – path to the outp file.
- **meshtal\_file** (*path like object, optional*) – path to the meshtal file. The default is None.

**Returns****Return type** None.**organize\_mctal()**

Retrieve and organize mctal data into a DataFrame.

**Returns**

- **tallydata** (*pd.DataFrame*) – organized tally data.
- **totalbin** (*pd.DataFrame*) – organized tally data (only total bins).

### 16.1.4 ExcelOutputSheet

**class** output.ExcelOutputSheet(*template*, *outpath*)

Bases: object

Excel workbook containing the post-processed results

**Parameters**

- **template** (*path like object*) – path to the sheet template.
- **outpath** (*path like object*) – dump path for the excel.

**Returns****Return type** None.

**copy\_sheets(wb\_origin\_path)**

Copy all sheets of the selected excel file into the current one

**Parameters** **wb\_origin\_path** (*str/path*) – Path to excel file containing sheets to add.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**insert\_cutted\_df(startcolumn, df, ws, ylim, startrow=None, header=None, index\_name=None, cols\_name=None, index\_num\_format='0', values\_format=None)**

Insert a DataFrame in the excel cutting its columns

**Parameters**

- **startcolumn** (*str/int*) – Excel column where to put the first DF column.
- **df** (*pd.DataFrame*) – global DF to insert.
- **ws** (*str*) – Excel worksheet where to insert the DF.
- **ylim** (*int*) – limit of columns to use to cut the DF.
- **startrow** (*int, optional*) – initial Excel row. The default is None, the first available is used.
- **header** (*tuple (str, value)*) – contains the tag of the header and the header value. DEFAULT is None
- **index\_name** (*str*) – Name of the Index. DEFAULT is None
- **cols\_name** (*str*) – Name of the columns. DEFAULT is None
- **index\_num\_format** (*str*) – format of index numbers
- **values\_format** (*str*) – how to format the values. DEFAULT is None

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**insert\_df(startcolumn, df, ws, startrow=None, header=None, print\_index=True, idx\_format='0', cols\_head\_size=12, values\_format=None)**

Insert a DataFrame (df) into a Worksheet (ws) using xlwings.

**Parameters**

- **startcolumn** (*int or str*) – Starting column where to insert the DataFrame. It can be expressed both as an integer as a letter in Excel fashion.
- **df** (*pandas.DataFrame*) – DataFrame to insert in the excel sheet
- **ws** (*str*) – name of the Excel worksheet where to put the DataFrame.
- **startrow** (*int*) – starting row where to put the DataFrame. Default is None that triggers the use of the memorized first free row in the excel sheet
- **header** (*tuple (str, value)*) – contains the tag of the header and the header value. DEFAULT is None
- **print\_index** (*bool*) – if True the DataFrame index is printed. DEFAULT is True.
- **idx\_format** (*str*) – how to format the index values. DEFAULT is ‘0’ (integer)
- **cols\_head\_size** (*int*) – Font size for columns header. DEFAULT is 12
- **values\_format** (*str*) – how to format the values. DEFAULT is None

**Returns****Return type** None**save()**

Save Excel

## 16.2 expoutput module

### 16.2.1 ExperimentalOutput

**class** expoutput.ExperimentalOutput(\*args, \*\*kwargs)Bases: *output.BenchmarkOutput*

This extends the Benchmark Output and creates an abstract class for all experimental outputs.

**Parameters**

- **\*args** (*TYPE*) – see BenchmarkOutput doc.
- **\*\*kwargs** (*TYPE*) – see BenchmarkOutput doc.
- **multiplerun** (*bool*) – this additional keyword specifies if the benchmark is composed by more than one MCNP run. It defaults to False.

**Returns****Return type** None.**abstract \_build\_atlas(*tmp\_path, atlas*)**

Fill the atlas with the customized plots. Creation and saving of the atlas are handled elsewhere.

**Parameters**

- **tmp\_path** (*path*) – path to the temporary folder where to dump images.
- **atlas** (*Atlas*) – Object representing the plot Atlas.

**Returns** *atlas* – After being filled the atlas is returned.**Return type** Atlas**\_extract\_outputs()**

Extract, organize and store the results coming from the MCNP runs

**Returns****Return type** None.**abstract \_pp\_excel\_comparison()**

Responsible for producing excel outputs

**\_print\_raw()**

Dump all the raw data

**Returns****Return type** None.**abstract \_processMCNPdata(*output*)**

Given an mctal file object return the meaningful data extracted. Some post-processing on the data may be foreseen at this stage.

**Parameters** *output* (*MCNPOutput*) – object representing an MCNP output.

**Returns** the type of item can vary based on what the user intends to do with it. It will be stored in an organized way in the self.results dictionary

**Return type** item

**static \_read\_exp\_file(filepath)**

Default way of reading a csv file

**Parameters** **filepath** (path/str) – experimental file results to be read.

**Returns** Contain the data read.

**Return type** pd.DataFrame

**\_read\_exp\_results()**

Read all experimental results and organize it in the self.exp\_results dictionary. If multirun is set to true the first layer of the dictionary will consist in the different folders and the second layer will be the different files. If it is not multirun, instead, only one layer of the different files will be generated. All files need to be in .csv format. If a more complex format is provided, the user should override the \_read\_exp\_file method.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**build\_atlas()**

Creation and saving of the atlas are handled by this function while the actual filling of the atlas is left to \_build\_atlas which needs to be implemented for each child class.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**compare()**

Complete the routines that perform the comparison of one or more libraries results with the experimental ones.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**pp\_excel\_comparison()**

At the moment everything is handled by \_pp\_excel\_comparison that needs to be implemented in each child class. Some standard procedures may be added in the feature in order to reduce the amount of ex-novo coding necessary to implement a new experimental benchmark.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

**single\_postprocess()**

Always raise an Attribute Error since no single post-processing is foreseen for experimental benchmarks

**Raises** **AttributeError** – DESCRIPTION.

**Returns**

**Return type** None.

## 16.3 plotter module

### 16.3.1 Plotter

```
class plotter.Plotter(data, title, outpath, outname, quantity, unit, xlabel, testname, ext='.png')
```

Bases: object

Object Handling plots

#### Parameters

- **data** (*list*) – data = [data1, data2, ...] data1 = {‘x’: x data, ‘y’: y data, ‘err’: error data, ‘ylabel’: data label}
- **title** (*str*) – plot title
- **outpath** (*str/path*) – path to save image
- **outname** (*str*) – name of the image file
- **quantity** (*str*) – quantity of the y axis
- **unit** (*str*) – unit of the y axis
- **xlabel** (*str*) – name of the x axis
- **testname** (*str*) – name of the benchmark
- **ext** (*str*) – extension of the image to save. Default is ‘.png’

#### Returns

**Return type** None.

```
__init__(data, title, outpath, outname, quantity, unit, xlabel, testname, ext='.png')
```

Object Handling plots

#### Parameters

- **data** (*list*) – data = [data1, data2, ...] data1 = {‘x’: x data, ‘y’: y data, ‘err’: error data, ‘ylabel’: data label}
- **title** (*str*) – plot title
- **outpath** (*str/path*) – path to save image
- **outname** (*str*) – name of the image file
- **quantity** (*str*) – quantity of the y axis
- **unit** (*str*) – unit of the y axis
- **xlabel** (*str*) – name of the x axis
- **testname** (*str*) – name of the benchmark
- **ext** (*str*) – extension of the image to save. Default is ‘.png’

#### Returns

**Return type** None.

```
plot(plot_type)
```

Function to be called to actually perform the plot

**Parameters** **plot\_type** (*str*) – plot type. The current available ones are [‘Binned graph’, ‘Ratio graph’, ‘Experimental points’, ‘Discreet Experimental points’, ‘Grouped bars’, ‘Waves’].

**Raises** `ValueError` – if plot type is not among the available ones.

**Returns** `outp` – path to the saved image.

**Return type** path like object



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## **JADE TESTING**

Following software developing best practices, JADE supports automating testing of its code and continuous integration on GitHub.

Unit testing is performed through `pytest` while the code test coverage is monitored through `coverage`.

The automatic testing is performed each time there is a merge operation on the main JADE branch on GitHub but at anytime the user may test the code through the following steps:

1. Open an Anaconda prompt and activate jade environment;
2. Change directory to <JADE\_root>\Code;
3. run:

```
pytest --cov-report html --cov=.
```

This will automatically collect and run all tests contained in <JADE\_root>\Code\tests while also providing an html index with detailed information about the code coverage that can be found in <JADE\_root>\Code\htmlcov\index.html.

The routine for continuous integration in GitHub are specified in <JADE\_root>\Code\.github\workflows.



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## FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS

Many interesting developments may be added to JADE to expand its potential and usage. Some of them are listed hereafter:

### 18.1 Eliminate dependency from Microsoft Office suite

The need for Excel and Word may be a limiting factor for the use of JADE. If substituting the excel configuration files with .csv ones or a GUI is definitely feasible, much harder would be to substitute the Excel use that is at the core of JADE post-processing. Either those parts of code are rewritten in order to use open-source equivalents (e.g. OpenOffice) or a simplified version of the post-processing must be developed.

### 18.2 Migration to Linux system

A great portion of science is nowadays run on Linux operative systems. JADE is entirely written in Python, which should be easily portable to any major OS system. Nevertheless, key modules like xlwings or python-docx which are used respectively to interact with Excel and Word do not fully support Linux operative systems.

### 18.3 Implementation of open-source Monte Carlo codes

The science world is more and more going in the direction of open-source software. Currently, in order to use JADE, a valid license of MCNP is necessary, and this may be a huge limiting factor for its usage. Implementing open-source MC code capabilities in JADE (such as OpenMC) would benefit the JADE project in many ways like:

- extend JADE's potential users pool;
- give the possibility to JADE not only to compare libraries but also to compare different MC code results using the same library;
- allow JADE to be used more effectively in libraries continuous integration.



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