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Sources and Monitors part 2.



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Sources: Source model overview



- Source_simple.comp
- Source_div.comp

> Pulsed sources:

- ESS_butterfly.comp
- ESS_moderator.comp
- Moderator.comp
- SNS_source.comp (*)
- SNS_source_analytic (*)
- > ViewModISIS (*)
- ISIS_moderator.comp (*)

Reactors :

- Source_Maxwell_3.comp
- Source_gen.comp
- Source_gen4.comp
- Source_multi_surfaces.comp (*)

- I/O mechanisms:
- MCPL_input/output.comp
 - Virtual_input/output.comp
 - Virtual_mcnp_ss_input/output.comp
 - Virtual_tripoli4_input/output.comp
 - Vitess_input/output.comp





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Sources: Source_Maxwell_3

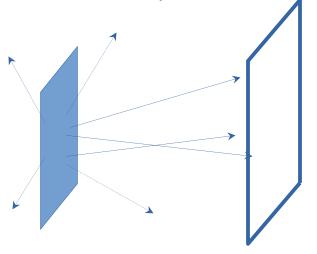
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Lmin=0.1, Lmax=9.0, dist=1.5, focus_xw = 0.025, focus_yh = 0.12,

T1=150.42, I1=3.67E11, T2=38.74, I2=3.64E11, T3=14.84, I3=0.95E11)
```

Parameters from the PSI cold source

Initial position and direction: as for Source_simple







Sources: Source_Maxwell_3



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Parameters from the PSI cold source

Intensity at a given wavelength drawn from a sum of (up to) 3 normalized Maxwellian distributions:

$$I(\lambda) = \sum I_i M(\lambda, T_i); \qquad M(\lambda, T_i) = 2\alpha^2 exp\left(\frac{-\alpha}{\lambda^2}\right)/\lambda^5;$$

$$\alpha$$

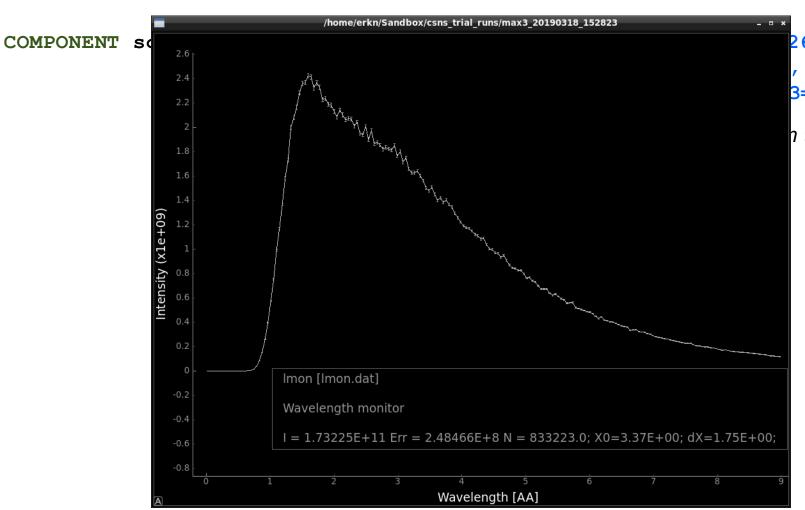
$$= 949.0KAA^2/T_i$$



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Sources: Source_Maxwell_3





, focus_yh = 0.12, 3=14.84, I3=0.95E11)

h the PSI cold source



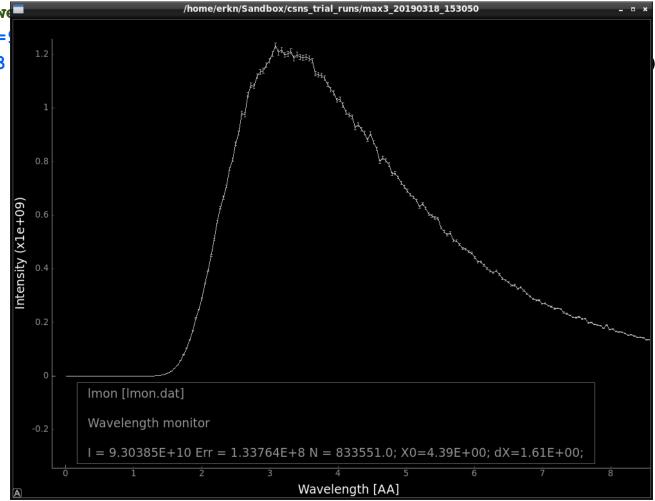
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Sources: Source_Maxwell_3



COMPONENT source = Source_Maxwell
Lmin=0.1, Lmax=9
T1=150.42, I1=3

Just for fun – let's see what happens if we remove the fast peak...







Input parameters

HighNessParameters in **boldface** are required; the others are optional.

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Name	Unit	Description	Default
size	m	Edge of cube shaped source (for backward compatibility)	0
yheight	m	Height of rectangular source	0
xwidth	m	Width of rectangular source	0
Lmin	AA	Lower edge of lambda distribution	
Lmax	AA	Upper edge of lambda distribution	
dist	m	Distance from source to focusing rectangle; at (0,0,dist)	
focus_xw	m	Width of focusing rectangle	
focus_yh	m	Height of focusing rectangle	
T1	K	1st temperature of thermal distribution	
T2	K	2nd temperature of thermal distribution	300
T3	K	3nd temperature of	300
I1	1/(cm**2*st)	flux, 1 (in flux units, see above)	
I2	1/(cm**2*st)	flux, 2 (in flux units, see above)	0
I3	1/(cm**2*st)	flux, 3	0
target_index	1	relative index of component to focus at, e.g. next is $+1$ this is used to compute 'dist' automatically.	+1
lambda0	AA	Mean wavelength of neutrons.	0
dlambda	AA	Wavelength spread of neutrons.	0





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Sources: Source_gen (Source_gen4)

```
COMPONENT source = Source_gen(yheight=0.156, xwidth=0.126,

Lmin=0.1, Lmax=9.0, dist=1.5, focus_xw = 0.025, focus_yh = 0.12,

T1=150.42, I1=3.67E11, T2=38.74, I2=3.64E11, T3=14.84, I3=0.95E11)
```

Almost the same as Source_Maxwell_3: but with optional flux-files as input.



MCPL_input/output



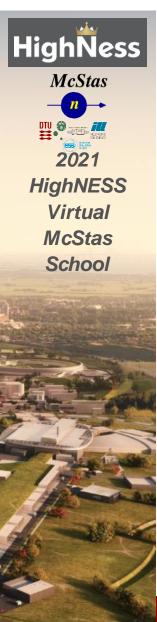


Reads/writes events directly from MCPL-format files:

"T. Kittelmann et. al., "", J. Phys. Comp., 2017





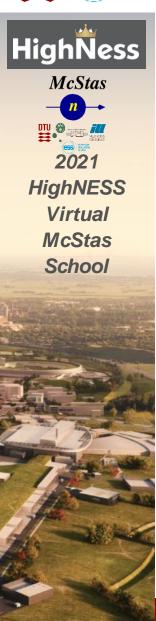


Pulsed sources:

```
Simplest case:
         Use a continuous source!
         Model a source with given wavelength and spatial distribution
         and
         ... an infinitely short pulse length. I.e. t = 0 for all neutron rays.
        COMPONENT src = Source simple(
                 radius=0.05, lambda0=2.5, dlambda=1.5,
                 focus xw=0.1, focus yh=0.1, dist=5)
        AT(0,0,0) RELATIVE origin
        EXTEND
        용 {
                 t=0;
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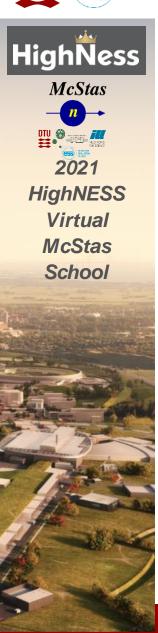


Pulsed sources:

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Simplest case:
         Use a continuous source!
         Model a source with given wavelength and spatial distribution
         and
                  Or: Use a chopper (see later)
         ... an infinite
                                                        tron rays.
        COMPONENT
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                 focu
                                  focus yh=0.1, dist=5 )
        AT(0,0,0) RELATIVE origin
        EXTEND
        응 {
                 t=0;
```







Pulsed Sources: Moderator

A flat pulsed source with uniform energy spectrum:

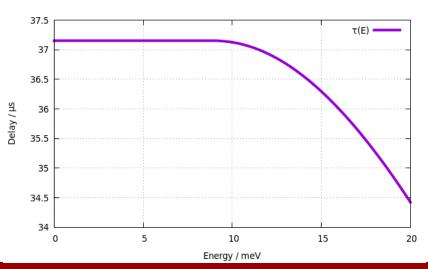
$$x \in U\left[-\frac{xwidth}{2}, \frac{xwidth}{2}\right] y \in U\left[-\frac{yheight}{2}, \frac{yheight}{2}\right]$$

$$|v| = f(\lambda); \lambda \in U[L_{min}L_{max}]$$

Time structure is given by energy dependent probability density function:

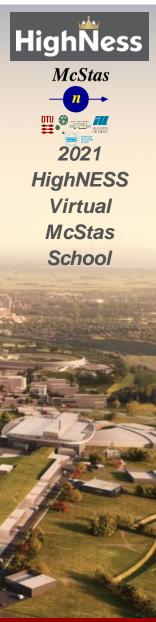
$$f_{t} = \frac{1}{\tau} exp\left(-\frac{t}{\tau}\right)$$

$$\tau = \begin{cases} t_{0}; & E < E_{c} \\ \frac{1}{1 + \frac{(E - E_{c})}{\gamma}}; & E \ge Ec \end{cases}$$









- Analytic fits to MCNP-generated files.
- Specialized fits to each beamport.
- Fast and reasonably accurate.







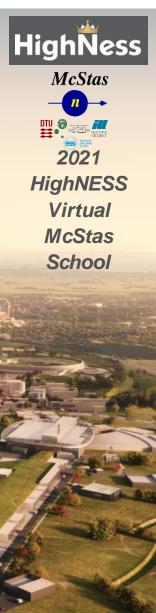
Input parameters

Parameters in **boldface** are required; the others are optional.

Name	Unit	Description	Default
sector	str	Delines the 'sector' of your instrument position. Valid values are "N","S","E" and "W"	"N"
beamline	1	Defines the 'beamline number' of your instrument position. Valid values are 110 or 111 depending on sector	1
yheight	m	Defines the moderator height. Valid values are 0.03 m and 0.06 m	0.03
cold_frac	1	Defines the statistical fraction of events emitted from the cold part of the moderator	0.5
target_index	1	Relative index of component to focus at, e.g. next is +1 this is used to compute 'dist' automatically.	0
dist	m	Distance from origin to focusing rectangle; at (0,0,dist) - alternatively use target_index	0
focus_xw	m	Width of focusing rectangle	0
focus_yh	m	Height of focusing rectangle	0
c_performance	1	Cold brilliance scalar performance multiplicator c_performance > 0	1
t_performance	1	Thermal brilliance scalar performance multiplicator t_performance > 0	1
Lmin	AA	Minimum wavelength simulated	
Lmax	AA	Maximum wavelength simulated	
tmax_multiplier	1	Defined maximum emission time at moderator, tmax= tmax_multiplier * ESS_PULSE_DURATION.	3
n_pulses	1	Number of pulses simulated. 0 and 1 creates one pulse.	1
acc_power	MW	Accelerator power in MW	5
tfocus_dist	m	Position of time focusing window along z axis	0
tfocus_time	s	Time position of time focusing window	0
tfocus_width	S	Time width of time focusing window	0







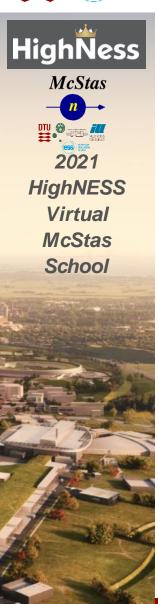
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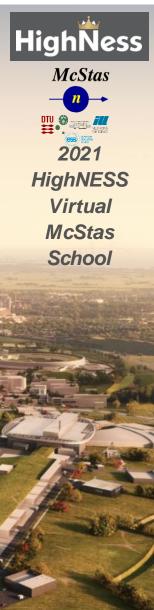
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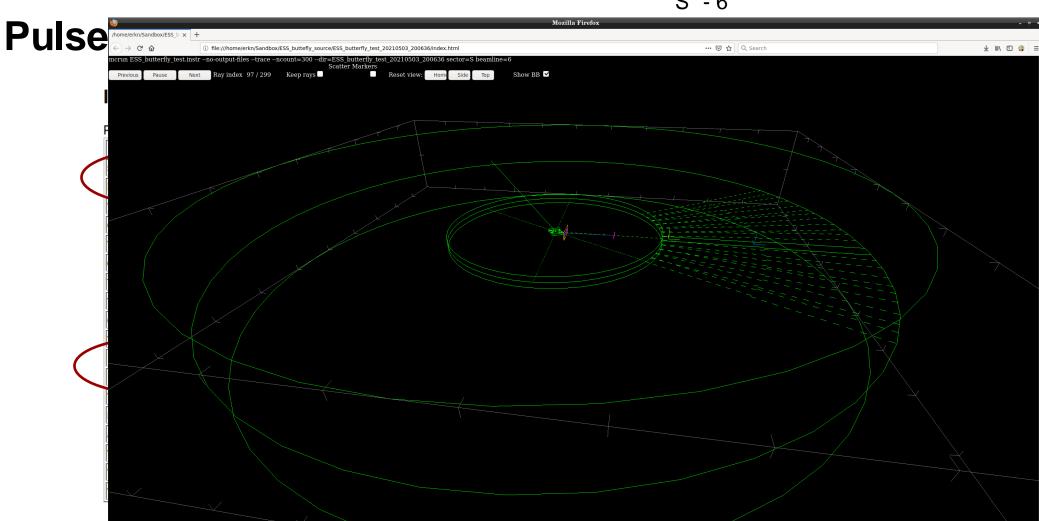
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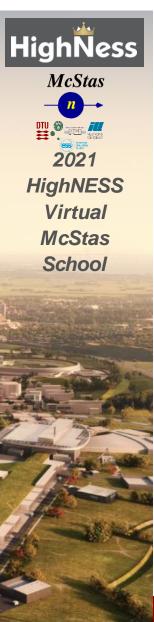


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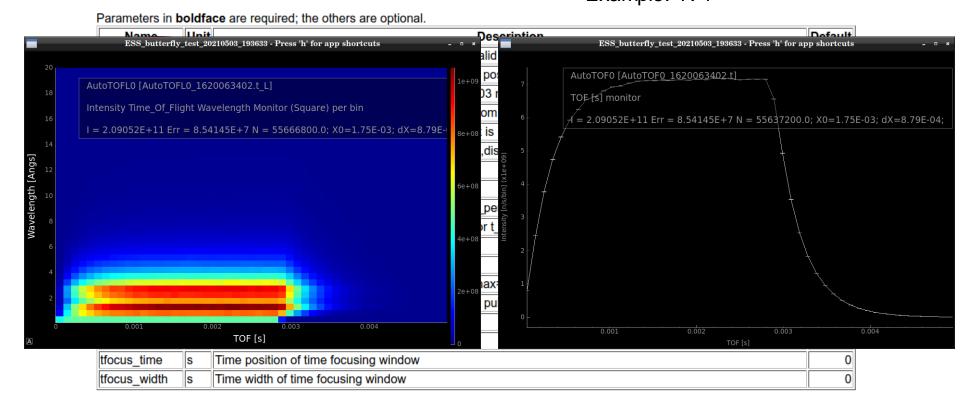






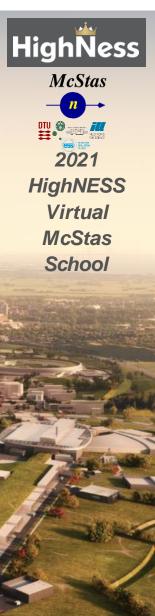


Input parameters Example: N-1









n_pulses=3

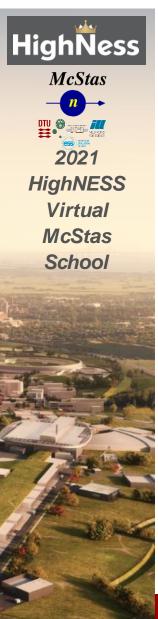
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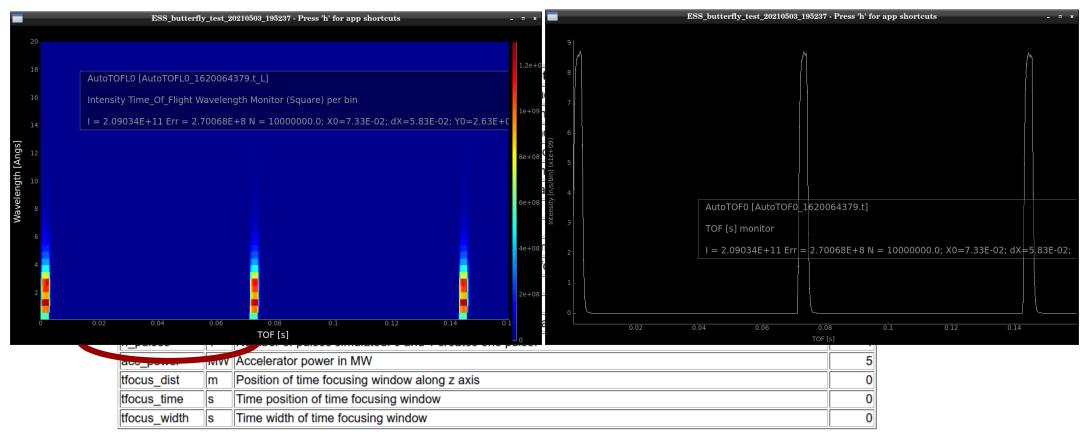
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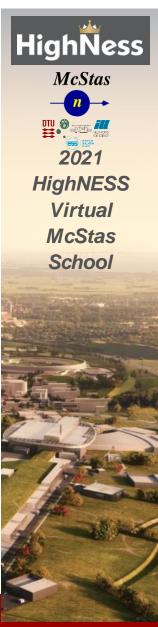


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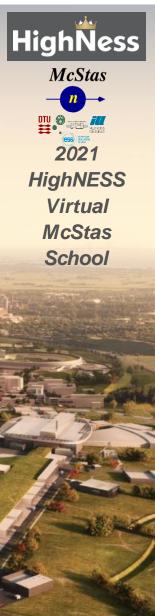


Pulsed Sources: ViewModISIS

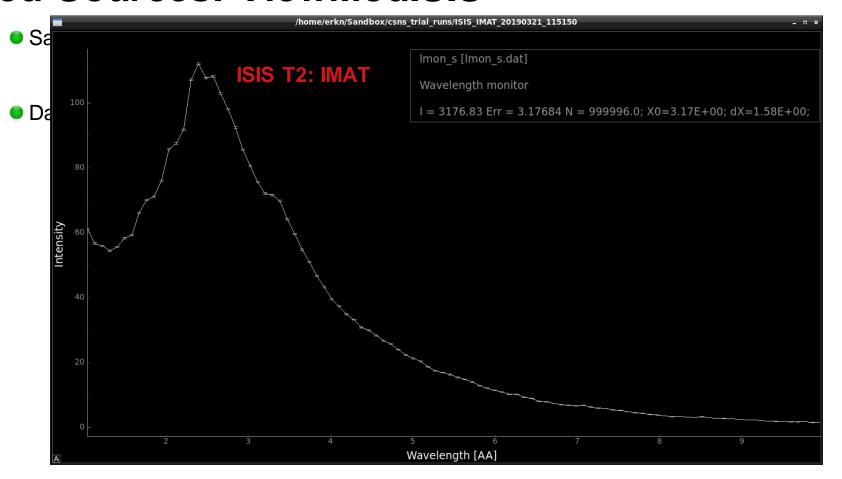
- Samples directly from tallies coming from e.g. MCNP target+moderator calculations.
- Data file supplied for each beam port at ISIS.





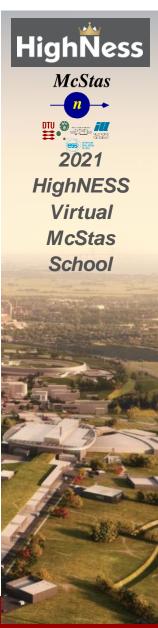


Pulsed Sources: ViewModISIS







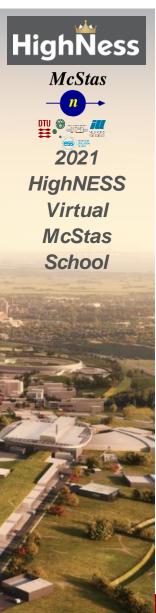


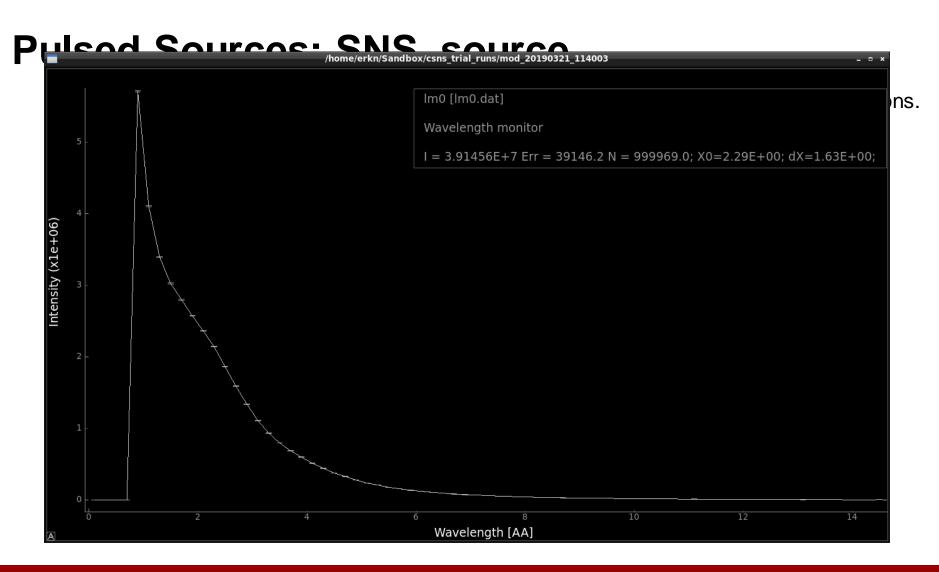
Pulsed Sources: SNS_source

- Samples directly from tallies coming from e.g. MCNP target+moderator calculations.
- Originally from SNS but also used extensively at J-PARC
- Can be used (with the proper input files) to model CSNS, and likely also ISIS.



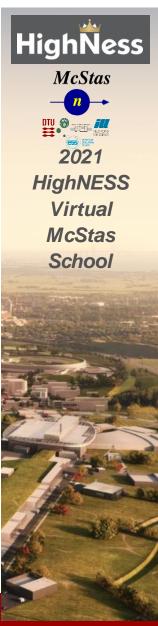












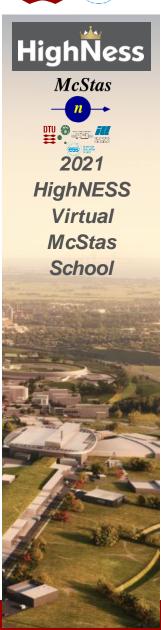
Pulsed Sources: SNS_source_analytic

- Samples from fits of Padé-functions to tallies from SNS_source.
- Requires a complex fitting campaign
- + Much faster than SNS_source
 - + "Cleaner" distributions where statistics are sketchy

Can be used (with the proper input files) to model CSNS-source.







Monitors (some)

1D

- \bullet L_monitor $\rightarrow I(\lambda)$
- \rightarrow TOF_monitor $\rightarrow I(t)$
- \bullet Hdiv_monitor $\rightarrow I(div_x)$
- \bullet MeanPolLambda $\rightarrow \langle P \rangle_{(\lambda)}$
- \bullet E_monitor \rightarrow I(E)

2D

- PSD_monitor $\rightarrow I(x, y)$
- PSD_monitor_4PI $\rightarrow I(\theta, \phi)$
- PolLambda_monitor $\rightarrow I(P, \lambda)$
- Divergence_monitor $\rightarrow I(div_{x}, div_{y})$
- DivPos_monitor $\rightarrow I(div_x, x)$

nD

Monitor_nD →

I(X)

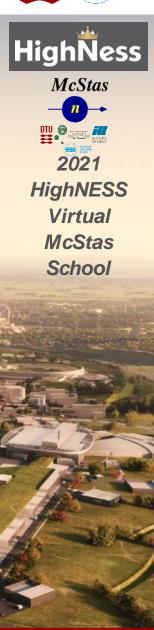
or I(X,Y)

or Z(X,Y,Z)

or ...





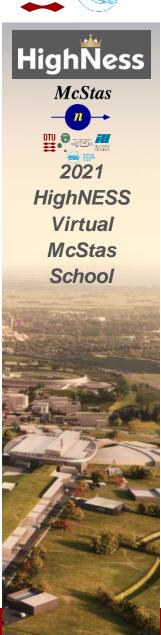


Monitors: Quick examples

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COMPONENT my_L_monitor = L_monitor(xwidth=0.2, yheight=0.2, nL=20, filename="Output.L", Lmin=2, Lmax=10)
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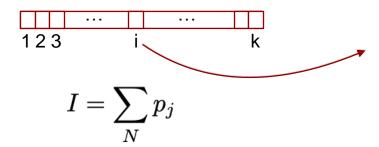






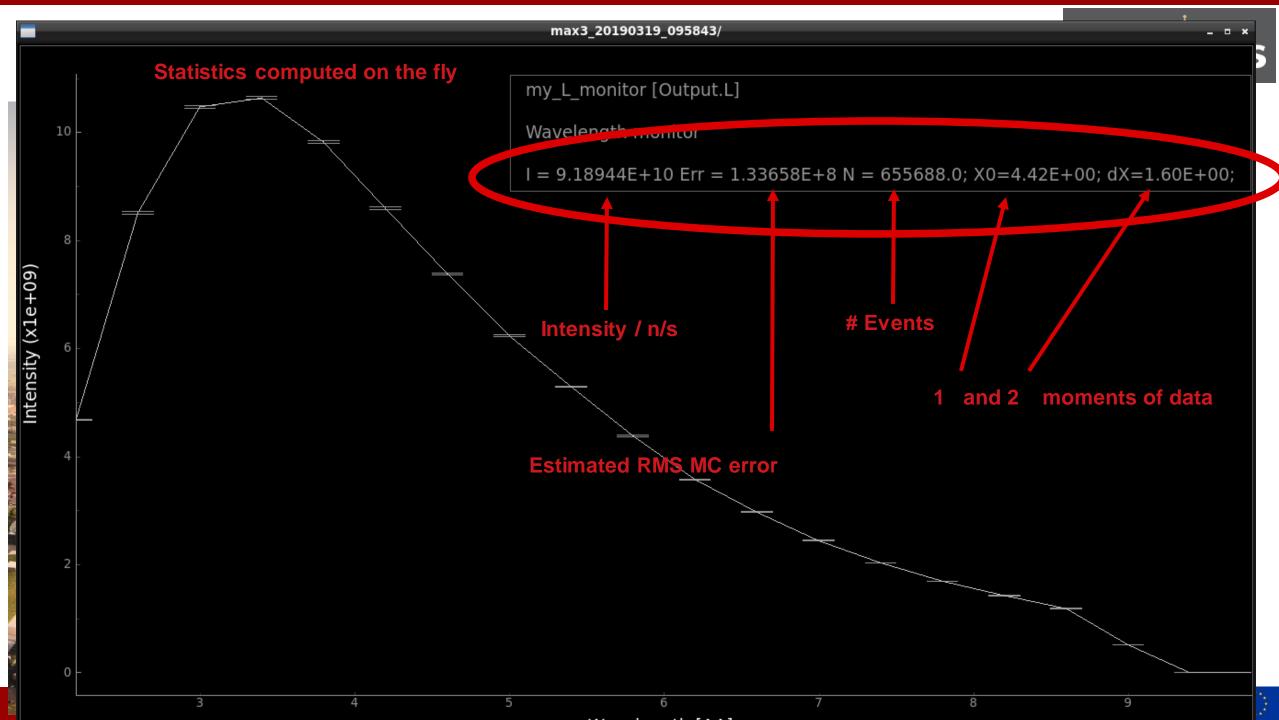
In a histogram sense

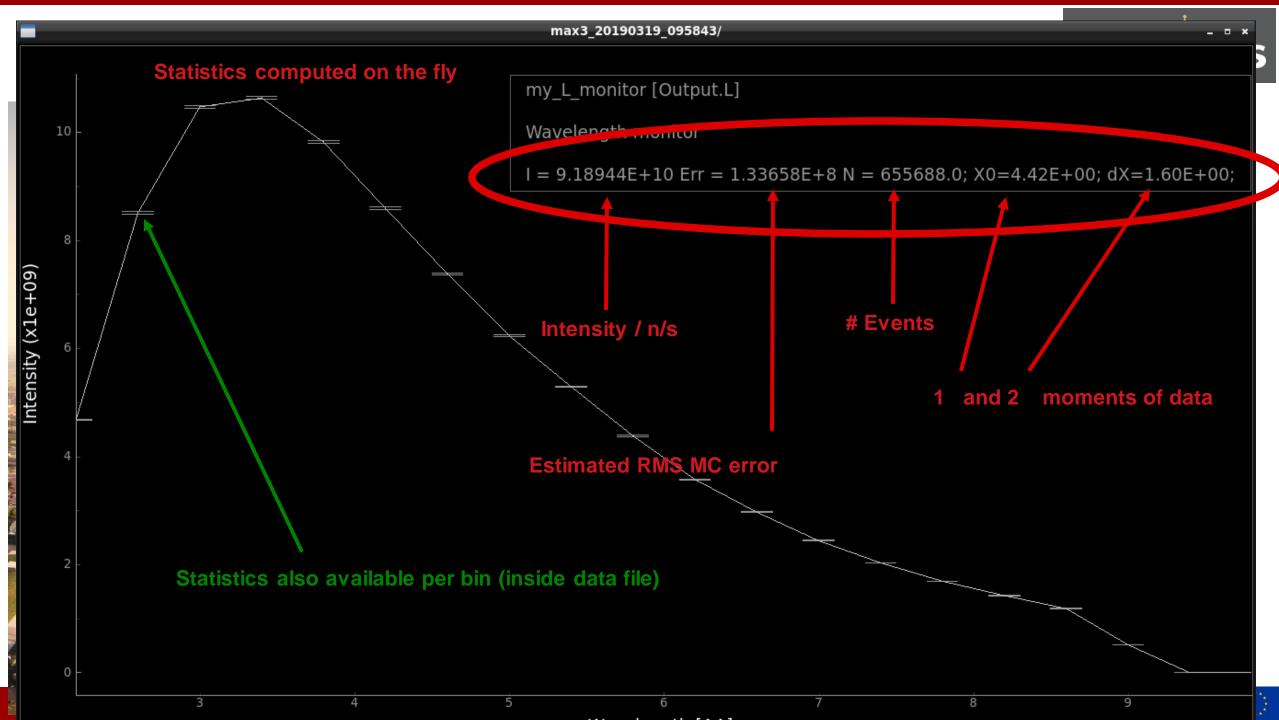
 \square Imagine a histogram, e.g. $\mathbf{I}(\lambda)$

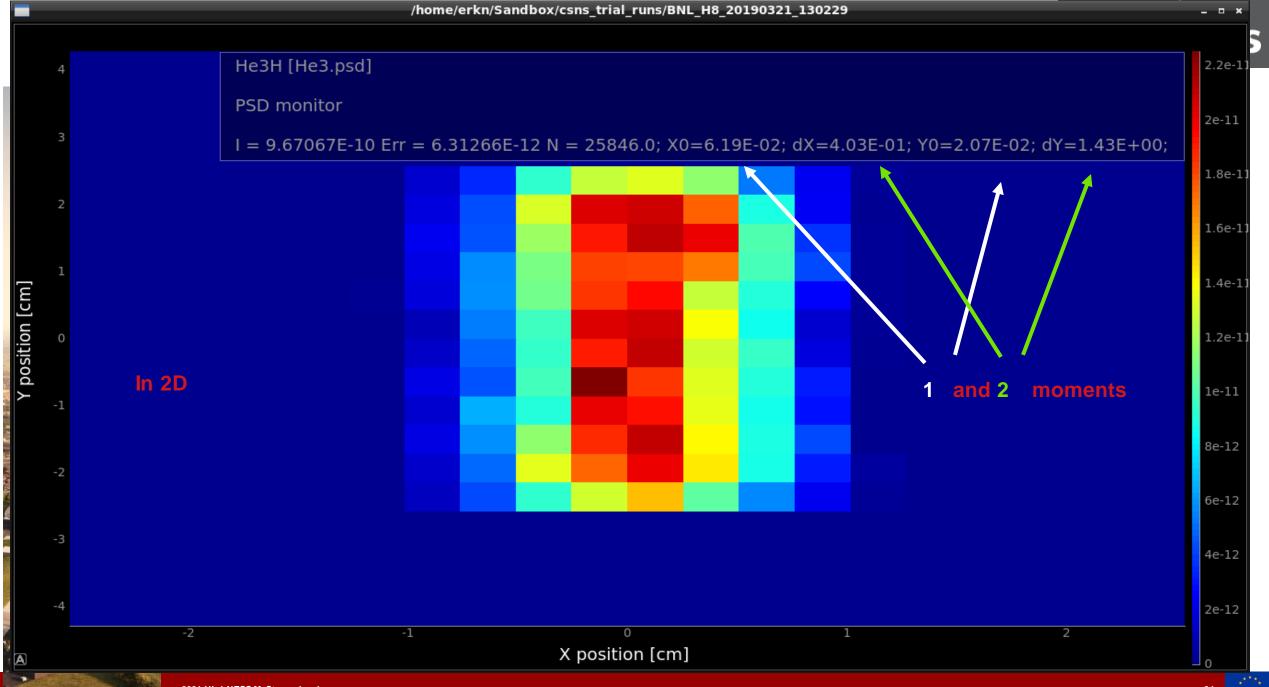


In bin i, N events each carrying a fractional intensity p_j so that

 \Box The RMS variance over that set becomes our statistical error bar \boldsymbol{E}

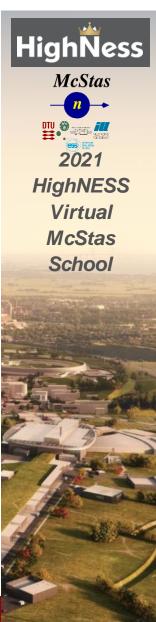












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Let n be the number of neutron rays reaching the detector, and let the rays have (different) weights, w_i . The simulated intensity is then given by

$$I = \sum_{i=1}^{n} w_i. \tag{1}$$

The estimate of the error on this number is calculated in the McStas manual [1], and the standard deviation is approximated by

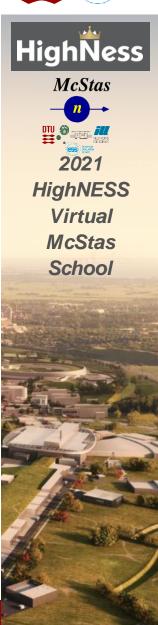
$$\sigma^2(I) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i^2. \tag{2}$$

In real experiments, $w_i = 1$, whence we reach I = n and $\sigma(I) = \sqrt{I}$ as expected (for counts exceeding 10). Let the virtual time be denoted by t. The simulated counts during this time becomes

$$C = tI, \tag{3}$$







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$$\sigma^2(C) = t^2 \sigma^2(I). \tag{4}$$

However, to simulate a realistic counting statistics, we must fulfill

$$\sigma_{\rm VE}(C_{\rm VE}) = \sqrt{C_{\rm VE}}.\tag{5}$$

This is obtained by adding to (3) a Gaussian noise $E(\Sigma)$ of mean value zero and standard deviation Σ :

$$C_{\rm VE} = tI + E(\Sigma). \tag{6}$$

The standard deviation for the VE becomes

and its error bar estimate is

$$\sigma_{VE}^2(C) = t^2 \sigma^2(I) + \Sigma^2. \tag{7}$$

Now, the requirement (5) allows us to determine Σ :

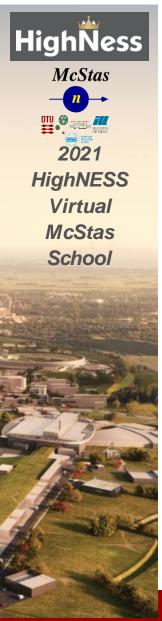
$$\Sigma^2 = tI - t^2 \sigma^2(I). \tag{8}$$

Since Σ^2 must remain positive, we reach an upper limit on t

$$t_{\text{max}} = \frac{I}{\sigma^2(I)}.$$
 (9)







Sketch of an algorithm...

- 1. On a given McStas histogram
- 2. For the non-zero bins, calculate

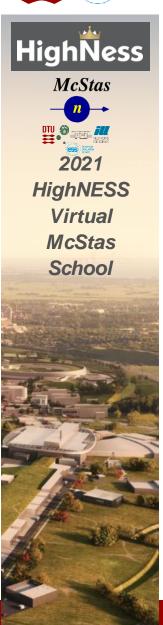
$$t_{\max} = \frac{I}{\sigma^2(I)}.$$

The smallest t_{\max} defines the "maximal counting time" allowed by your statistics

3. Preferably a "background" should be added - use a "known experimental value" or an estimate...







Monitor_nD

A general monitor for 0D/1D/2D records

The all-in-one, swiss-army-knife of monitors

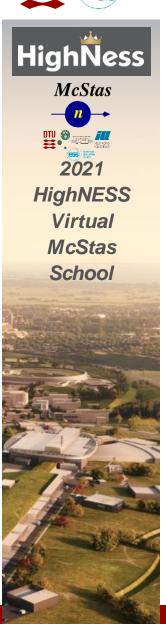
Monitor_nD can have almost any shape, and record

any requested standard quantities









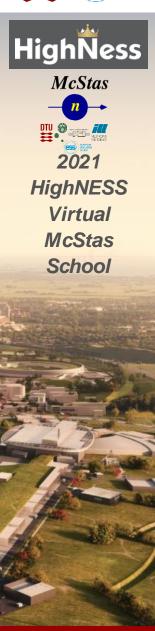
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Examples







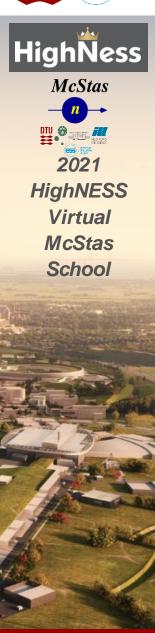
Monitor_nD

... or monitor just about anything:

```
COMPONENT MyMon = Monitor_nD(xwidth = 0.1, yheight = 0.1,
    user1=age, username1="Age of the Captain [years]",
    options="user1, auto")
```







Exercise 2:

Head over to the github site and continue the exercise we started before:

https://github.com/McStasMcXtrace/Schools/tree/master/ESS May 2021/Wednesd ay May 5th/2 Component basics/Exercise





