

Monte Carlo Project Part 2

22.901 Introduction to Computer Programming for Nuclear Engineers

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Accessing pdfs

- link in the pdf static library, already in Makefile
- function: `get_particle_pos` - send it slab length, it returns x location
- function: `get_particle_mu` - it returns mu (-1 to 1)
- function: `get_scatter_mu` - it returns mu(-1 to 1)
- function: `get_collision_distance` - send it the total xs and it returns the free-flight distance
- function: `get_collision_type` - send it, respectfully, the absorption, scattering and total xs and it returns the collision id
- ID=1 is Absorption and ID=2 is Scattering

Module execute - Subroutine run_problem

- call initialize_rng
- begin loop over the number of histories
 - call particle_init
 - call reset_tallies
 - get the slab id for the neutron, call get_slab_id
 - begin loop *while* the neutron is alive
 - call transport
 - call interaction *if* the neutron is still alive
- call bank_tallies

Module execute - Subroutine transport I

- declare 4 variables:
 - real, s - free flight distance
 - real, newx - temporary new x location
 - real, neig - x location of nearest neighbor in direction
 - logical, resample - resample distance
- set resample to true
- begin a loop while resample is true
 - access get_collision_distance function - see pdfs slide, set to free flight dist.
 - based on free-flight and neutron mu compute new x location
 - get nearest neighbor x in mu direction
 - check for a surface crossing
 - check if the neutron leaked, can only happen if slab_id is 1 or n_slabs

Module execute - Subroutine transport II

- kill neutron
- set resample to false
- record track length to tally (only free-flight to surface)
- move neutron to neighbor surface
- change the slab number
- if the neutron did not cross a surface, it collided
- record full free-flight to track tally
- move neutron to new xlocation
- set resample to false

Module execute - Subroutine transport III

In summary:

Find a new flight distance. Project it on the x axis with its angle of travel. Determine the nearest neighbor x location in the direction μ . If you cross a surface, then check if the neutron leaked out of a system. Note: you can only leak if the neutron is originating in slab 1 or the final slab. This can be checked with the `slab_id`. If you do leak, kill the particle and do not resample the distance. If you cross a surface even if you leak, move the neutron to that surface. Compute the free-flight distance to that surface using the change in x and μ . Append that to the temporary tally. If you don't cross a surface then you have a collision. Do not resample, tally the free-flight distance and exit the transport routine.

Module execute - Subroutine interaction

- make a local integer variable called `id`
- add a $1/\text{totalxs}$ to the collision temp variable
- get the reaction type by accessing the function `get_collision_type` - see pdfs slide
- if the `id` is 1 then absorption happened - kill particle
- if the `id` is not 1 then scattering and sample a new angle
 - to get a new angle access `get_scatter_mu` - see pdfs slide

Module execute - Subroutine get_slab_id

- make a local integer variable called `id`
- add a $1/\text{totalxs}$ to the collision temp variable
- get the reaction type by accessing the function `get_collision_type` - see pdfs slide
- if the `id` is 1 then absorption happened - kill particle
- if the `id` is not 1 then scattering and sample a new angle
 - to get a new angle access `get_scatter_mu` - see pdfs slide

Module execute - Subroutine reset_tallies

- loop around slabs
- call `tally_reset` and send it a tally object for that slab

Module execute - Subroutine bank_tallies

- loop around slabs
- call `bank_tally` and send it a tally object for that slab

Module execute - Subroutine print_tallies

- loop around slabs
- print out tally information by slab region
- e.g. Slab 1 Coll: mean \pm var Track: mean \pm var

Module `global` - Subroutine `allocate_problem`

- no arguments just allocated the tally object for the number of slabs

Module `global` - Subroutine `free_memory`

- no arguments just deallocate the tally object

Module `particle` - Subroutine `particle_init`

- arguments are the particle object and length of slab
- call pdf function `get_particle_pos`
- call pdf function `get_particle_mu`
- make neutron alive

Flux Volume Tallies

- For each tally we have two varbles $[s(c)1$ and $s(c)2]$ - used for mean and variance calculation
- We also have temp. variable track and coll
- During a neutrons life, events will be accumulated in track and coll
- When life over we “bank” them into $s(c)1$ and $s(c)2$
- Collision estimator (c)

$$\phi_c = \frac{1}{NX} \sum \frac{1}{\Sigma_t}$$

- Track-length estimator (s)

$$\phi_c = \frac{1}{NX} \sum d$$

d is the free flight distance and I also use s for this as well.

Module tally - Subroutine tally_reset

- set the track and coll variables in the tally instance to zero

Module tally - Subroutine bank_tally

- Do the following math for the tally instance

$$c1 = c1 + coll$$

$$c2 = c2 + coll^2$$

$$s1 = s1 + track$$

$$s2 = s2 + track^2$$

Module tally - Subroutine perform_statistics

- pass in the tally instance, number of neutrons and volume
- compute mean for each tally estimator

$$mean = \frac{s(c)1}{dx * nhist}$$

$$var = \frac{1}{nhist - 1} \left[\frac{s(c)2}{nhist} - \left(\frac{s(c)1}{nhist} \right)^2 \right]$$