



PIRS: Python Interfaces for Reactor Simulations

Current capabilities and selected results

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What PIRS is

PIRS: Python Interfaces for Reactor Simulations

A set of packages for *Python* programming language, to facilitate *interaction* with reactor calculation codes.

Python

- www.python.org
- Free
- Interpreted
- Big community
- Lot of packages

Interaction with code

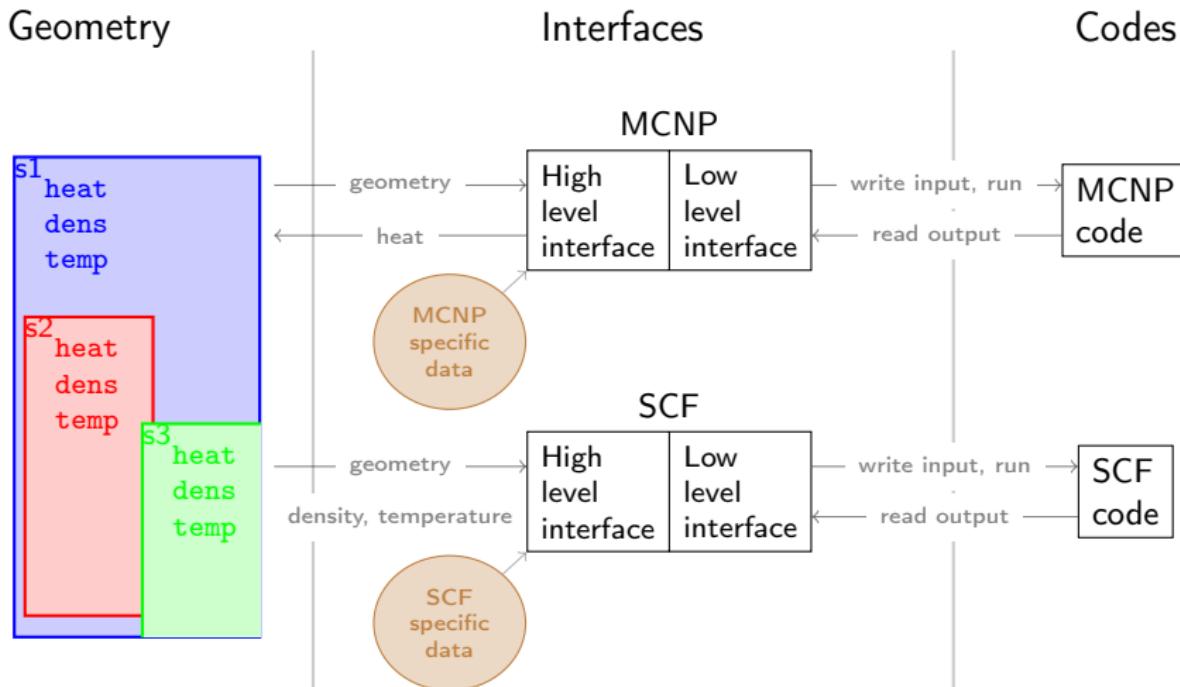
- Model description
- Generation of Input file(s)
- Job submission
- Reading of calculation results



What PIRS is for

- Routine preparation of input files, reading output files
- Framework for coupled calculations

PIRS concept



PIRS current capabilities

Geometry definition

- Geometry described by
 - boxes with facets perpendicular to coordinate axes
 - cylinders with axes parallel to z (vertical) axis
- Dependent variables vertical distribution are presented by piece-wise constant functions
 - heat deposition
 - temperature
 - material density

Low-level interfaces

Classes to represent code input data, to start code, read code output

- MCNP 5
- SCF 2.5



PIRS current capabilities (contd.)

High-level interfaces

Classes to convert geometry to code-specific representation, start calculations and put results back to geometry.

- MCNP 5: any geometry can be converted into MCNP input file.
- SCF 2.5: for square bundle of vertical rods only.

Utils

- geometry plotter
- plotter of vertical distributions
- dump and load models to and from hard drive



Geometry I

```

from pirs.solids import Box, Cylinder

cnt = Box(X=2.53, Y=2.53, Z=365, material = 'water')
r = Cylinder(R=0.4583, Z=365, material = 'steel')
f = Cylinder(R=0.3951, Z=365, material = 'fuel')

r.insert(f)
cnt.insert(r)

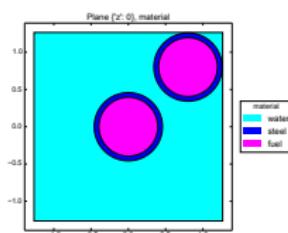
r2 = cnt.insert(r.copy_tree())
r2.pos.x = 0.8
r2.pos.y = 0.8

if __name__ == '__main__':
    from pirs.tools.plots import colormap
    pz = colormap(cnt, plane={'z':0})
    px = colormap(cnt, plane={'x':0}, aspect='auto')
    py = colormap(cnt, plane={'y':0}, aspect='auto')
    pz.get_figure().savefig('geom1_pz.pdf')
    px.get_figure().savefig('geom1_px.pdf') □ ▶ ← ▷
```

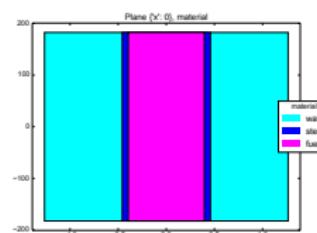


Geometry I: plots

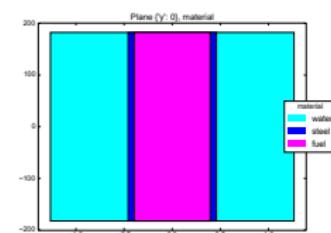
z plane



x plane



y plane



System variables

```
from geom1 import cnt

for v in cnt.values(True):
    v.temp.set_values(300.)

cnt.dens.set_values(1.0)
cnt.children[0].dens.set_values(5.0)
cnt.children[1].dens.set_values(5.0)

f1 = cnt.get_child((0,0))
f2 = cnt.get_child((1,0))

f1.temp.set_grid([1, 3, 1])
f1.temp.set_values([280, 320, 293])

f2.temp.set_grid([1, 2, 1])
f2.temp.set_values([275, 314, 293])

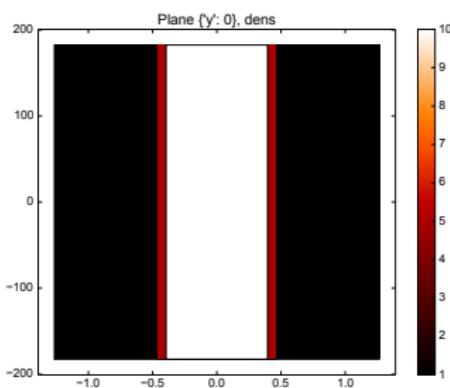
f1.dens.set_values(10.)
f2.dens.set_values(10.)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    from pirs.tools.plots import colormap
```

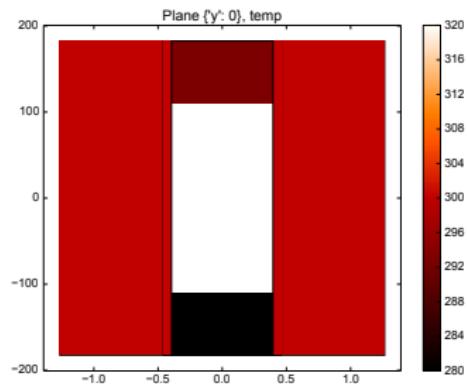


System variables: plot

density at plane y=0



temperature at plate y=0



Geometry II

```
from geom2 import cnt

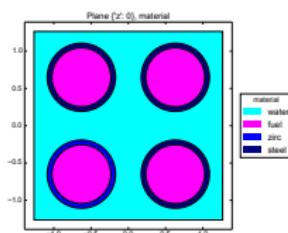
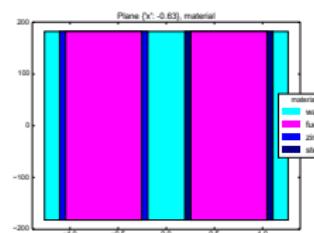
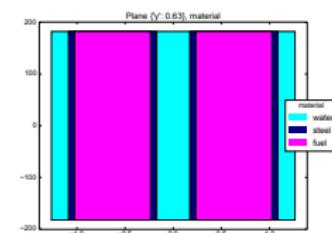
r1 = cnt.children[0]
r2 = cnt.children[1]

r1.material = 'zirc'
r1.ijk = (0, 0, 0)
r2.ijk = (1, 0, 0)
r2.pos *= 0.

cnt.grid.x = 1.26
cnt.grid.y = 1.30
cnt.grid.z = cnt.Z
r3 = cnt.grid.insert((1, 1, 0), r2.copy_tree())
r4 = cnt.grid.insert((0, 1, 0), r2.copy_tree())
# r4.R = 0.56

# cnt.grid.set_origin((0, -1, 0), (0., -0.5, 0.))
cnt.grid.center()
```

Geometry II: plots

z plane**x plane at -1****y plane at 1**

High-level interface to MCNP

```
from pirs import McnpInterface
from geom3 import cnt

mi = McnpInterface(cnt)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    mi.wp.prefix = 'm1_'
    mi.run('P')
```



High-level interface to MCNP: input file

```
MESSAGE: datapath=/home/local/KIT/rx8040/data/mcnp/all_jeff

c title
1 0 -1 fill=1 imp:n=1
2 1 -1.0 -2 3 -4 5 fill=-1:2 0:1 0:0
c k=0
    1 2 5 1
    1 5 5 1 imp:n=1 lat=1 u=1
3 0 -6 fill=3 imp:n=1 u=2
4 0 -7 fill=4 imp:n=1 u=3
5 2 -10.0 -8 imp:n=1 tmp=2.412856e-08 u=4
6 3 -10.0 8 -9 imp:n=1 tmp=2.757550e-08 u=4
7 4 -10.0 9 imp:n=1 tmp=2.524881e-08 u=4
8 1 -5.0 7 imp:n=1 tmp=2.585203e-08 u=3
9 1 -1.0 6 imp:n=1 tmp=2.585203e-08 u=2
10 0 -6 fill=6 imp:n=1 u=5
11 0 -7 fill=7 imp:n=1 u=6
12 5 -10.0 -10 imp:n=1 tmp=2.369769e-08 u=7
```



High-level interface to MCNP: input file continued

```
12 5 -10.0 -10 imp:n=1 tmp=2.369769e-08 u=7
13 6 -10.0 10 -11 imp:n=1 tmp=2.705846e-08 u=7
14 4 -10.0 11 imp:n=1 tmp=2.524881e-08 u=7
15 1 -5.0 7 imp:n=1 tmp=2.585203e-08 u=6
16 1 -1.0 6 imp:n=1 tmp=2.585203e-08 u=5
17 0 1 imp:n=0 tmp=2.526174e-08
```

c surfaces

```
1 rpp -1.265 1.265 -1.265 1.265 -182.5 182.5
2 px 0.0
3 px -1.26
4 py 0.0
5 py -1.3
6 c/z -0.63 -0.65 0.4583
7 c/z -0.63 -0.65 0.3951
8 pz -109.5
9 pz 109.5
10 pz -91.25
11 pz 91.25
```

High-level interface to MCNP: input file continued

```
11 pz 91.25

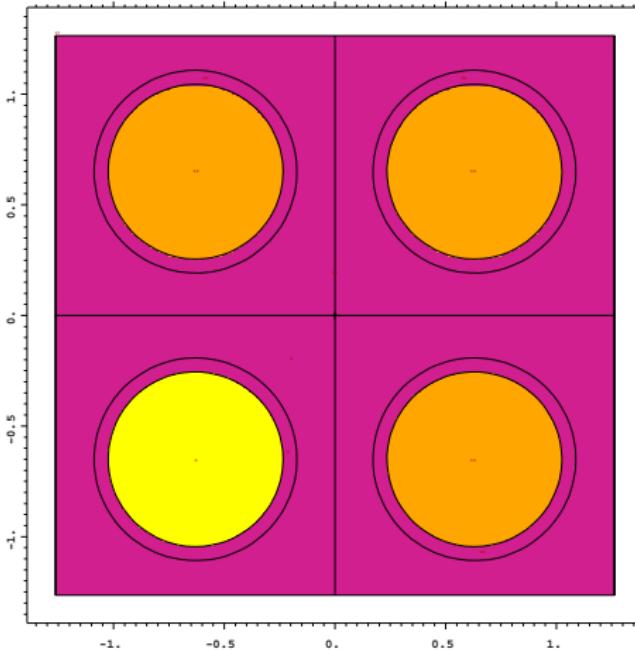
c data cards
c materials
m1
c density 1.0000000000000e-05 g/cc, 5.97538539870074e-06 1/cm-barn
    1001.31c 1.00000e+00
m2
c density 1.0000000000000e-05 g/cc, 5.97538539870074e-06 1/cm-barn
    1001.31c 1.00000e+00
m3
c density 1.0000000000000e-05 g/cc, 5.97538539870074e-06 1/cm-barn
    1001.31c 7.88018e-01    1001.32c 2.11982e-01
m4
c density 1.0000000000000e-05 g/cc, 5.97538539870074e-06 1/cm-barn
    1001.31c 1.00000e+00
m5
c density 1.0000000000000e-05 g/cc, 5.97538539870074e-06 1/cm-barn
    1001.31c 1.00000e+00
m6
```

High-level interface to MCNP: plot 1

09/15/14 04:46:05

c title

```
probid = 09/15/14 04:46:05
basis: XY
( 1.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000)
( 0.000000, 1.000000, 0.000000)
origin:
( 0.00, 0.00, 0.00)
extent = ( 1.39, 1.39)
cell labels are
cell names
```



MCNP-specific data

Data in general model

- geometry
- axial behaviour of system variables (temperature, density – to define MCNP geometry, heat – to define tallies)

What else MCNP needs

- Material specifications
- Boundary conditions
- Description of (criticality) source

Material specifications: water

```
from pirs.mcnp import Material

m1 = Material((‘H’, 2, 1),
               (‘O’, 1, 1))
m1.sdict[8018] = 8016
m1.thermal = ‘lwtr’

m1.T = 300
print m1.card()

m1.T = 450
print m1.card()
```



Material specifications: water continued

```
m{0:<}
```

1001.31c	1.99977e+00
1002.31c	2.30000e-04
8016.31c	9.97570e-01
8017.31c	3.80000e-04
8016.31c	2.05000e-03

```
mt{0:<} lwtr01.31t
```

```
m{0:<}
```

1001.32c	9.72153e-01	1001.33c	1.02762e+00
1002.32c	1.11810e-04	1002.33c	1.18190e-04
8016.32c	4.84951e-01	8016.33c	5.12619e-01
8017.32c	1.84730e-04	8017.33c	1.95270e-04
8016.32c	9.96571e-04	8016.33c	1.05343e-03

```
mt{0:<} lwtr05.31t
```

Material specifications: steel

```
from pirs.mcnp import Material
# zircaloy-2, Table 5, p.7
zr = Material((‘Zr’, 98.23),
               (‘Sn’, 1.50),
               (‘Fe’, 0.12),
               (‘Cr’, 0.10),
               (‘N’, 0.05))

print zr.card()
```

Material specifications: steel continued

m{0:<}

40090.31c	5.05393e+01
40091.31c	1.10214e+01
40092.31c	1.68464e+01
40094.31c	1.70724e+01
40096.31c	2.75044e+00
50118.31c	3.63300e-01
50122.31c	6.94500e-02
50120.31c	4.88700e-01
50112.31c	1.45500e-02
50114.31c	9.90000e-03
50115.31c	5.10000e-03
50116.31c	2.18100e-01
50117.31c	1.15200e-01
50119.31c	1.28850e-01
50124.31c	8.68500e-02
26054.31c	7.01400e-03
26056.31c	1.10105e-01
26057.31c	2.54280e-03
26058.31c	3.38400e-04
24050.31c	4.34500e-03
24052.31c	8.37890e-02
24053.31c	9.50100e-03



Material specifications: mox

```
from pirs.mcnp import Material
# depleted u, mass fractions
ud = Material((92235, 0.2, 2),
               (92238, 99.8, 2))
# simplified o for oxide
o = Material(8016)
# pu
pu = Material((94239, 93.6, 2),
               (94240, 5.9, 2),
               (94241, 0.4, 2),
               (94242, 0.1, 2))
# oxides and mox
ux = Material((ud, 1), (o, 2))
px = Material((pu, 1), (o, 2))
mox = Material((ux, 0.5), (px, 0.5))
print mox.report()
# objective function
def obj(mix):
    a1 = mix.how_much(2, ZAID=[92235, 94239, 94241, 94243])
    a2 = mix.how_much(2, Z=[92, 94])
    return a1/a2 - 0.025
mox.tune(obj, [ux, px])
print mox.report()
```



Material specifications: mox continued

before tune() method

```
Mixture O-U-Pu
    <O-U      89.2383>: 0.5 mol
    <O-Pu     89.5943>: 0.5 mol
    total: 1.0 mol or 90.1910541098 g
Nuclide composition:
        Nuclide      At.frac      Wgt.frac
    < 8016 15.8575>  6.66667e-01  1.18230e-01
    < 92235 233.0248> 3.37589e-04  8.79779e-04
    < 92238 236.0058> 1.66329e-01  4.39010e-01
    < 94239 236.9986> 1.56046e-01  4.13600e-01
    < 94240 237.9916> 9.79516e-03  2.60709e-02
    < 94241 238.9861> 6.61316e-04  1.76752e-03
    < 94242 239.9793> 1.64645e-04  4.41880e-04
```

after tune() method

```
Mixture O-U-Pu
    <O-U      89.2383>: 0.9755859375 mol
    <O-Pu     89.5943>: 0.0244140625 mol
    total: 1.0 mol or 90.0202779671 g
Nuclide composition:
        Nuclide      At.frac      Wgt.frac
    < 8016 15.8575>  6.66667e-01  1.18454e-01
    < 92235 233.0248> 6.58694e-04  1.71986e-03
    < 92238 236.0058> 3.24537e-01  8.58209e-01
    < 94239 236.9986> 7.61941e-03  2.02336e-02
    < 94240 237.9916> 4.78279e-04  1.27541e-03
    < 94241 238.9861> 3.22908e-05  8.64685e-05
    < 94242 239.9793> 8.03929e-06  2.16171e-05
```

Set materials to high-level MCNP interface

```
from hmcnp1 import mi
from mcnp_water import m1 as w
from mcnp_zirc import zr
from mcnp_mox import mox

mi.materials['water'] = w
mi.materials['fuel'] = mox
mi.materials['steel'] = zr
mi.materials['zirc'] = zr

if __name__ == '__main__':
    mi.wp.prefix = 'm2_'
    mi.run('P')
```



MCNP input file

MESSAGE: datapath=/home/local/KIT/rx8040/data/mcnp/all_jeff

```

c title
1 0 -1 fill=1 imp:n=1                                $ container for None
2 1 -1.0 -2 3 -4 5 fill=-1:2 0:1 0:0
c k=0
    1 2 5 1
    1 5 5 1 imp:n=1 lat=1 u=1                      $ Lattice cell for None
3 0 -6 fill=3 imp:n=1 u=2
4 0 -7 fill=4 imp:n=1 u=3
5 2 -10.0 -8 imp:n=1 tmp=2.412856e-08 u=4
6 3 -10.0 8 -9 imp:n=1 tmp=2.757550e-08 u=4
7 4 -10.0 9 imp:n=1 tmp=2.524881e-08 u=4
8 5 -5.0 7 imp:n=1 tmp=2.585203e-08 u=3
9 1 -1.0 6 imp:n=1 tmp=2.585203e-08 u=2
10 0 -6 fill=6 imp:n=1 u=5
11 0 -7 fill=7 imp:n=1 u=6
12 6 -10.0 -10 imp:n=1 tmp=2.369769e-08 u=7
13 7 -10.0 10 -11 imp:n=1 tmp=2.705846e-08 u=7
14 4 -10.0 11 imp:n=1 tmp=2.524881e-08 u=7
15 5 -5.0 7 imp:n=1 tmp=2.585203e-08 u=6
16 1 -1.0 6 imp:n=1 tmp=2.585203e-08 u=5
17 0 1 imp:n=0 tmp=2.526174e-08                  $ layer of Container

c surfaces
1 rpp -1.265 1.265 -1.265 1.265 -182.5 182.5 $ None
2 px 0.0
3 px -1.26
4 py 0.0
5 py -1.3

```

MCNP input file continued 1

```

5 py -1.3
6 c/z -0.63 -0.65 0.4583
7 c/z -0.63 -0.65 0.3951
8 pz -109.5
9 pz 109.5
10 pz -91.25
11 pz 91.25

c data cards
c materials
m1                               $ H-O at 300.0 K
    1001.31c 1.99977e+00
    1002.31c 2.30000e-04
    8016.31c 9.97570e-01
    8017.31c 3.80000e-04
    8016.31c 2.05000e-03
mt1 lwtr01.31t                  $ thermal data at 293
m2                               $ O-U-Pu at 280 K
    92235.31c 6.58694e-04
    92238.31c 3.24537e-01
    8016.31c 6.50391e-01
    94239.31c 7.61941e-03
    94240.31c 4.78279e-04
    94241.31c 3.22908e-05
    94242.31c 8.03929e-06
    8016.31c 1.62760e-02
m3                               $ O-U-Pu at 320 K
    92235.31c 5.19063e-04    92235.32c 1.39631e-04
    92238.31c 2.55741e-01    92238.32c 6.87960e-02
    8016.31c 5.12519e-01    8016.32c 1.37871e-01
    94239.31c 6.00423e-03    94239.32c 1.61518e-03

```

MCNP input file continued 2

94239.31c	6.00423e-03	94239.32c	1.61518e-03
94240.31c	3.76893e-04	94240.32c	1.01387e-04
94241.31c	2.54457e-05	94241.32c	6.84508e-06
94242.31c	6.33510e-06	94242.32c	1.70419e-06
8016.31c	1.28258e-02	8016.32c	3.45023e-03

m4

\$ O-U-Pu at 293 K

92235.31c	6.58694e-04
92238.31c	3.24537e-01
8016.31c	6.50391e-01
94239.31c	7.61941e-03
94240.31c	4.78279e-04
94241.31c	3.22908e-05
94242.31c	8.03929e-06
8016.31c	1.62760e-02

m5

\$ Zr-Sn-Fe- at 300.0

40090.31c	5.05393e+01
40091.31c	1.10214e+01
40092.31c	1.68464e+01
40094.31c	1.70724e+01
40096.31c	2.75044e+00
50118.31c	3.63300e-01
50122.31c	6.94500e-02
50120.31c	4.88700e-01
50112.31c	1.45500e-02
50114.31c	9.90000e-03
50115.31c	5.10000e-03
50116.31c	2.18100e-01
50117.31c	1.15200e-01
50119.31c	1.28850e-01
50124.31c	8.68500e-02
26054.31c	7.01400e-03

MCNP input file continued 3

```
94241.31c 3.22908e-05
94242.31c 8.03929e-06
8016.31c 1.62760e-02
m7                               $  O-U-Pu at 314 K  as
92235.31c 5.60481e-04 92235.32c 9.82127e-05
92238.31c 2.76147e-01 92238.32c 4.83891e-02
8016.31c 5.53416e-01 8016.32c 9.69747e-02
94239.31c 6.48334e-03 94239.32c 1.13607e-03
94240.31c 4.06967e-04 94240.32c 7.13125e-05
94241.31c 2.74762e-05 94241.32c 4.81463e-06
94242.31c 6.84061e-06 94242.32c 1.19868e-06
8016.31c 1.38492e-02 8016.32c 2.42679e-03
c tallies
c kcode 500 1.0 20 100 j j 100000 j
prdmj j j 1                               $  write mctal file
```



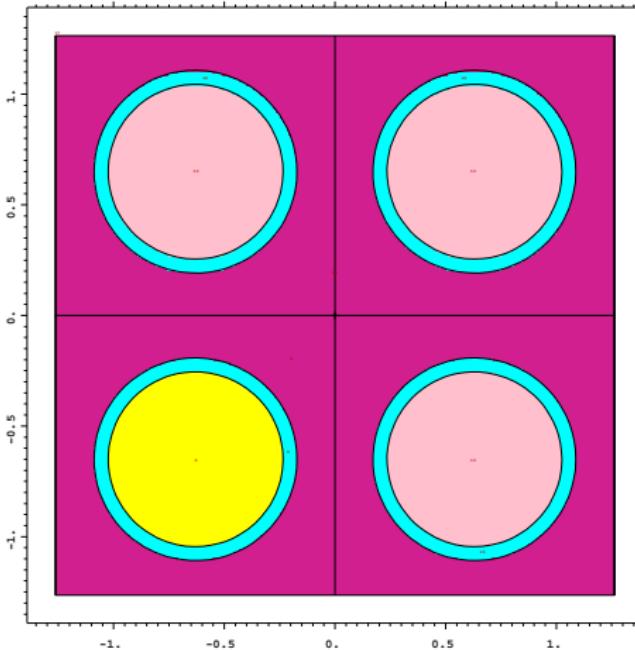
ooooooo

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MCNP plot 1

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c title

```
probid = 09/15/14 04:46:15
basis: XY
( 1.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000)
( 0.000000, 1.000000, 0.000000)
origin:
( 0.00, 0.00, 0.00)
extent = ( 1.39, 1.39)
cell labels are
cell names
```



ooooooo

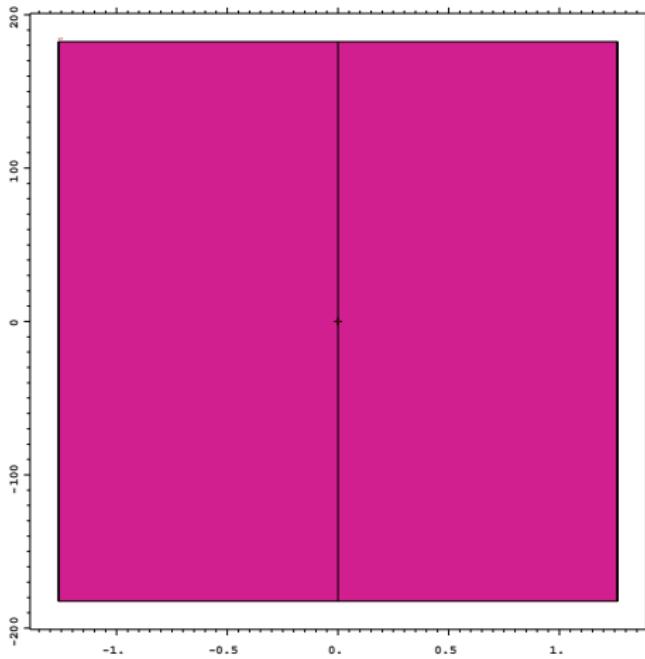
oooooooooooooooooooo●oooooooooooooooooooo

MCNP plot 2

09/15/14 04:46:15

c title

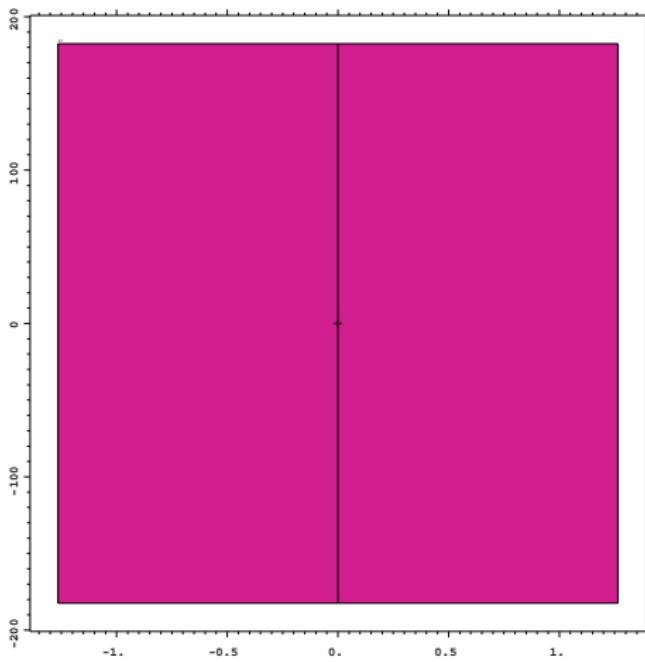
```
probid = 09/15/14 04:46:15
basis: XZ
( 1.000000, 0.000000, 0.000000)
( 0.000000, 0.000000, 1.000000)
origin:
(     0.00,      0.00,      0.00)
extent = (      1.39,    200.75)
cell labels are
cell names
```



MCNP plot 3

09/15/14 04:46:15
c title

```
probid = 09/15/14 04:46:15
basis: YZ
( 0.000000, 1.000000, 0.000000)
( 0.000000, 0.000000, 1.000000)
origin:
( 0.00, 0.00, 0.00)
extent = ( 1.39, 200.75)
cell labels are
cell names
```



Set boundary conditions to high-level MCNP interface

```
from hmcnp2 import mi

mi.bc['radial'] = '*'
mi.bc['axial'] = ''

if __name__ == '__main__':
    mi.wp.prefix = 'm3_'
    mi.run('P')
```



MCNP input file

without boundary conditions

```
3 px -1.26
4 py 0.0
5 py -1.3
6 c/z -0.63 -0.65 0.4583
7 c/z -0.63 -0.65 0.3951
8 pz -109.5
9 pz 109.5
10 pz -91.25
11 pz 91.25

c data cards
c materials
m1
    1001.31c 1.99977e+00
    1002.31c 2.30000e-04
    8016.31c 9.97570e-01
```

with boundary conditions

```
*3 px 1.265
*4 px -1.265
*5 py 1.265
*6 py -1.265
7 px 0.0
8 px -1.26
9 py 0.0
10 py -1.3
11 c/z -0.63 -0.65 0.4583
12 c/z -0.63 -0.65 0.3951
13 pz -109.5
14 pz 109.5
15 pz -91.25          $ H-0 at 300.0 K
16 pz 91.25

c data cards
c materials
m1
    1001.31c 1.99977e+00
    1002.31c 2.30000e-04
    8016.31c 9.97570e-01
```



Specify additional cards for MCNP input

```
from hmcp3 import mi
# additional cell cards
mi.acc.append('c commented cell card')

# additional surface cards
mi.asc.append('c commented surface card')

# additional data cards
ksrc = 'ksrc'
for v in mi.gm.values(True):
    if v.material == 'fuel':
        x, y, z = v.abspos().car
        ksrc += ', {0} {1} {2}'.format(x, y, z-v.Z*0.49)
        ksrc += ', {0} {1} {2}'.format(x, y, z)
        ksrc += ', {0} {1} {2}'.format(x, y, z+v.Z*0.49)
mi.adc.append(ksrc)

# kcode card
mi.kcode.active = True # otherwise commented
mi.kcode.Nh = 1000 # histories per cycle
mi.kcode.Ncs = 20 # cycles to skip
mi.kcode.Nct = 100 # total num of cycles

if __name__ == '__main__':
    mi.wp.prefix = 'm4_'
    mi.run('P')
```



MCNP input file

Additional cell cards

*3 px 1.265	\$ None
*4 px -1.265	\$ None
*5 py 1.265	\$ None
*6 py -1.265	\$ None

Additional surface cards

1002.31c 2.30000e-04	
8016.31c 9.97570e-01	
8017.31c 3.80000e-04	
8016.31c 2.05000e-03	
mt1 lwtr01.31t	\$ thermal data at 293 K
m2	\$ O-U-Pu at 280 K
92235.31c 6.58694e-04	

Additional data cards

-178.85 0.63 -0.65 0.0 0.63 -0.65 178.85 0.63 0.65 -178.85 0.63 0.65
0.0 0.63 0.65 178.85 -0.63 0.65 -178.85 -0.63 0.65 0.0 -0.63 0.65
178.85



Tallies for MCNP input

```
from hmcnp4 import mi

# set heat meshes
for v in mi.gm.values():
    if v.material == 'fuel':
        v.heat.set_grid([1]*20)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    mi.wp.prefix = 'm5'
    mi.run('R', tasks=3)

    from pirs.tools import dump
    dump('m5_.dump', gm=mi.gm)

from pirs.tools.plots import colormap
hx1 = colormap(mi.gm, plane={'x':-0.63}, var='heat', aspect='auto')
hx2 = colormap(mi.gm, plane={'x': 0.63}, var='heat', aspect='auto')
hy1 = colormap(mi.gm, plane={'y':-0.63}, var='heat', aspect='auto')
hy2 = colormap(mi.gm, plane={'y': 0.63}, var='heat', aspect='auto')
hx1.get_figure().savefig('hmcnp5_hx1.pdf')
hx2.get_figure().savefig('hmcnp5_hx2.pdf')
hy1.get_figure().savefig('hmcnp5_hy1.pdf')
hy2.get_figure().savefig('hmcnp5_hy2.pdf')

else:
    from pirs.tools import load
    mi.gm = load('m5_.dump')['gm']
```



MCNP input file with tallies

```
jmesh= 0.0 1.265
kmesh= -164.25 -146.0 -127.75 -109.5 -91.25 -73.0 -54.75 -36.5 -18.25 -0.0
      18.25 36.5 54.75 73.0 91.25 109.5 127.75 146.0 164.25 182.5
fm14 -1 0 -6 -8
kcode 1000 1.0 20 100 j j 100000 j
prdmp j j 1                                     $ write mctal file
ksrc   -0.63 -0.65 -178.85  -0.63 -0.65 0.0   -0.63 -0.65 178.85  0.63 -0.65
      -178.85  0.63 -0.65 0.0   0.63 -0.65 178.85  0.63 0.65 -178.85  0.63 0.65
      0.0   0.63 0.65 178.85  -0.63 0.65 -178.85  -0.63 0.65 0.0   -0.63 0.65
      178.85
```

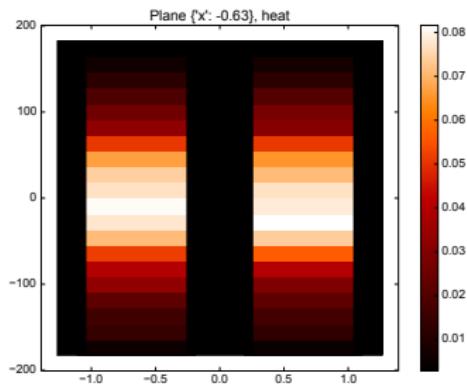


MCNP meshtal file

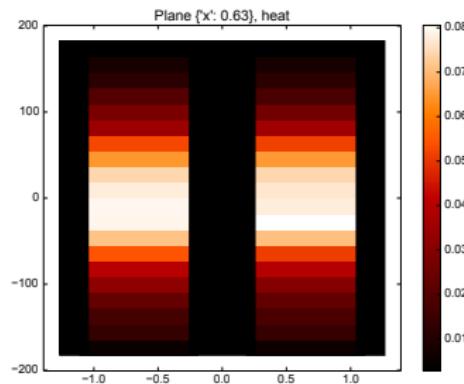
-1.262	-0.632	100.375	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	-0.632	118.625	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	-0.632	136.875	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	-0.632	155.125	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	-0.632	173.375	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	-173.375	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	-155.125	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	-136.875	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	-118.625	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	-100.375	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	-82.125	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	-63.875	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	-45.625	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	-27.375	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	-9.125	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	9.125	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	27.375	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	45.625	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	63.875	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	82.125	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	100.375	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	118.625	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	136.875	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	155.125	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-1.262	0.632	173.375	0.00000E+00	0.00000E+00
-0.630	-0.632	-173.375	5.74785E-03	8.46687E-02
-0.630	-0.632	-155.125	1.36505E-02	5.42823E-02
-0.630	-0.632	-136.875	1.60058E-02	5.19930E-02
-0.630	-0.632	-118.625	2.21769E-02	4.28544E-02
-0.630	-0.632	-100.375	3.25456E-02	3.63517E-02
-0.630	-0.632	-82.125	3.98603E-02	3.18629E-02

MCNP results

x plane at -1



x plane at 1



High-level interface to SCF

```
from pirs import ScfInterface
from hmcnp5 import mi

si = ScfInterface(mi.gm)

if __name__ == '__main__':
    si.wp.prefix = 's1_'
    si.run('r')
```

Limitations

- Rectangular container (i.e. an instance of the `pirs.solids.Box()` class)
- Rods inserted into grid element centers, no empty grid elements.
- Container and rods (and all internal structure) have the same height.



SCF input file: channels

```

&channel_layout
file = this_file
channel_number      channel_area    wetted_perimeter   heated_perimeter   x_position   y_position
      1  2.25560841552e-05  0.0071989595657  0.0071989595657  1.1          1.2
      2  4.44971683104e-05  0.0143979191314  0.0143979191314  1.1          1.2
      3  2.25560841552e-05  0.0071989595657  0.0071989595657  1.1          1.2
      4  4.95571683104e-05  0.0143979191314  0.0143979191314  1.1          1.2
      5  9.78143366208e-05  0.0287958382628  0.0287958382628  1.1          1.2
      6  4.95571683104e-05  0.0143979191314  0.0143979191314  1.1          1.2
      7  2.25560841552e-05  0.0071989595657  0.0071989595657  1.1          1.2
      8  4.44971683104e-05  0.0143979191314  0.0143979191314  1.1          1.2
      9  2.25560841552e-05  0.0071989595657  0.0071989595657  1.1          1.2
!
file = this_file
channel  max_40_x_(neighbour+gap+distance)
      1                      2  0.001567  0.009475  4  0.001767  0.009575  /
      2                      3  0.001567  0.009475  5  0.003434  0.009575  /
      3                      6  0.001767  0.009575  / 
      4                      5  0.003834  0.009475  7  0.001767  0.009575  /
      5                      6  0.003834  0.009475  8  0.003434  0.009575  /
      6                      9  0.001767  0.009575  / 
      7                      8  0.001567  0.009475  / 
      8                      9  0.001567  0.009475  / 
      9                      / 
!
!
```



SCF input file: rods

```
file = this_file
rod_number    material_type    outer_diameter    power_fraction    x_position    y_position
        1            1            0.009166          0.1           -0.63          -0.65
        2            1            0.009166          0.1            0.63          -0.65
        3            1            0.009166          0.1            0.63           0.65
        4            1            0.009166          0.1           -0.63           0.65
!
file = this_file
rod   max_6_x_(channel+fraction)
  1      0.25   2   0.25   4   0.25   5   0.25   /
  2      0.25   3   0.25   5   0.25   6   0.25   /
  3      0.25   6   0.25   8   0.25   9   0.25   /
  4      0.25   5   0.25   7   0.25   8   0.25   /
!
file = this_file
```

SCF input file: power axial profile

```
file = this_file
time   inlet_flow
!
file = this_file
channel_number   time   inlet_flow
!
file = this_file
time   heat_flux_factor
!
file = this_file
power_map_time
!
file = this_file
axial_cell_number   rod_number   power_map
      1           1   0.00574785
      2           1   0.0136505
      3           1   0.0160058
      4           1   0.0221769
      5           1   0.0325456
      6           1   0.0395603
```

SCF-specific parameters

```
from hscf1 import si

# set boundary conditions
si.find('total_power')[0].value = 7e4*4 # W
si.find('average_heat_flux')[0].value = 0.0
si.find('inlet_temperature')[0].value = 280 # C
si.find('inlet_flow_rate')[0].value = 0.28*4 # g/sec
si.find('inlet_mass_flux')[0].value = 0.
si.find('set_driving_pressure_condition')[0].state = 'set_pure_flow_condition'
si.find('exit_pressure')[0].value = 15.45e6 # Pa
si.find('v', 'pressure_drop')[0].value = 0.
si.find('inlet_boron_concentration')[0].value = 0.
si.find('heat_fraction_moderator')[0].value = 0.

si.find('number_of_fuel_nodes')[0].value = 10

# variables:
si.find('blasius_laminar_prefactor')[0].value = 64.0
si.find('blasius_laminar_reynolds_exponent')[0].value = -1.0
si.find('blasius_laminar_constant')[0].value = 0

si.find('blasius_turbulent_prefactor')[0].value = 0.316
si.find('blasius_turbulent_reynolds_exponent')[0].value = -0.25
si.find('blasius_turbulent_constant')[0].value = 0

si.find('dittus_boelter_prefactor')[0].value = 0.023
si.find('dittus_boelter_reynolds_exponent')[0].value = 0.8
si.find('dittus_boelter_prandtl_exponent')[0].value = 0.4
si.find('dittus_boelter_constant')[0].value = 0.

si.find('set_buoyancy')[0].state = 0
```

SCF-specific parameters: rod material specifications

```
from pirs.scf2 import RodMaterial
from hscf2 import si

cld = RodMaterial()
cld.fp = 'benpwr'
cld.fd = -1
cld.ct = -1
cld.cp = 'zircaloy'

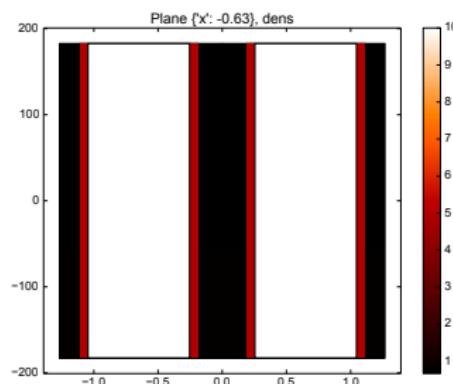
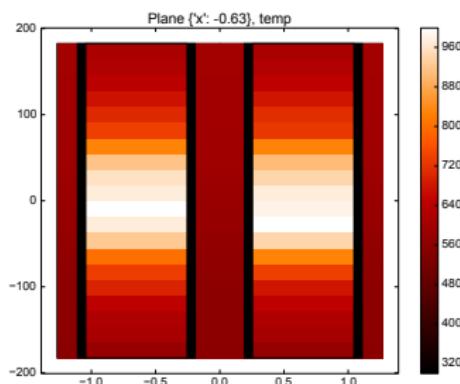
si.materials['steel'] = cld
si.materials['zirc'] = cld

if __name__ == '__main__':
    si.wp.prefix = 's3_'
    si.run('R')

    from pirs.tools import dump
    dump('s3_.dump', gm=si.gm)

    from pirs.tools.plots import colormap
    fltr = lambda e: e.material not in ['zirc', 'steel']
    tz = colormap(si.gm, plane={'z':1}, var='temp', aspect='auto')#, filter_=fltr
    tx1 = colormap(si.gm, plane={'x':-0.63}, var='temp', aspect='auto')#, filter_=fltr
    tx2 = colormap(si.gm, plane={'x': 0.63}, var='temp', aspect='auto')#, filter_=fltr
    ty1 = colormap(si.gm, plane={'y':-0.63}, var='temp', aspect='auto')#, filter_=fltr
    ty2 = colormap(si.gm, plane={'y': 0.63}, var='temp', aspect='auto')#, filter_=fltr
    tz.get_figure().savefig('hscf3_tz.pdf')
    tx1.get_figure().savefig('hscf3_tx1.pdf')
    tx2.get_figure().savefig('hscf3_tx2.pdf')
    ty1.get_figure().savefig('hscf3_ty1.pdf')
    ty2.get_figure().savefig('hscf3_ty2.pdf')
```

SCF-specific parameters: SCF results



Data exchange between interfaces

```
from pirs.tools import dump
from hscf3 import si
from hmcnp5 import mi

mi.wp.prefix = 'cm_'
si.wp.prefix = 'cs_'

I = 0
while I < 5:
    # mcnp run
    mi.gm = si.gm.copy_tree()
    mr = mi.run('R', tasks=3)
    # relaxed power
    for (em, es) in zip(mr.heats(), si.gm.heats()):
        h = 0.5 * em.heat + 0.5 * es.heat
        es.heat.update(h)
    # scf run
    si.run('R')
    # store results
    dump('{0}_coupling.dump'.format(I),
          Keff = mi.keff(),
          mr = mr,
          sr = si.gm,
          I = I)

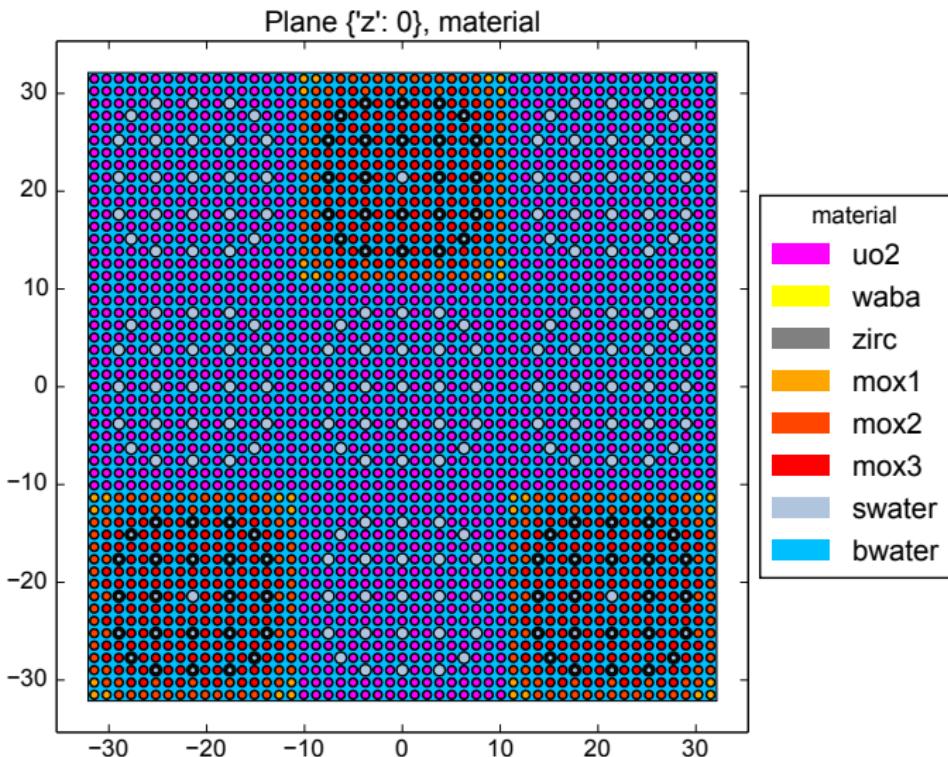
    I += 1
```



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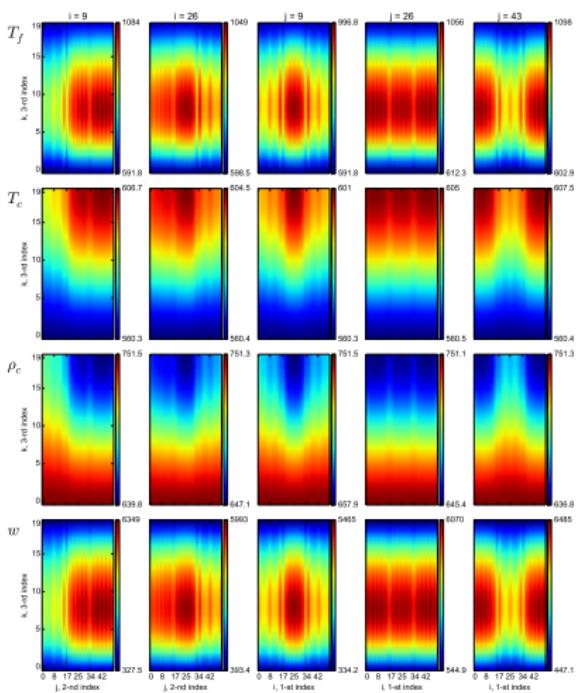
3x3 minicore model



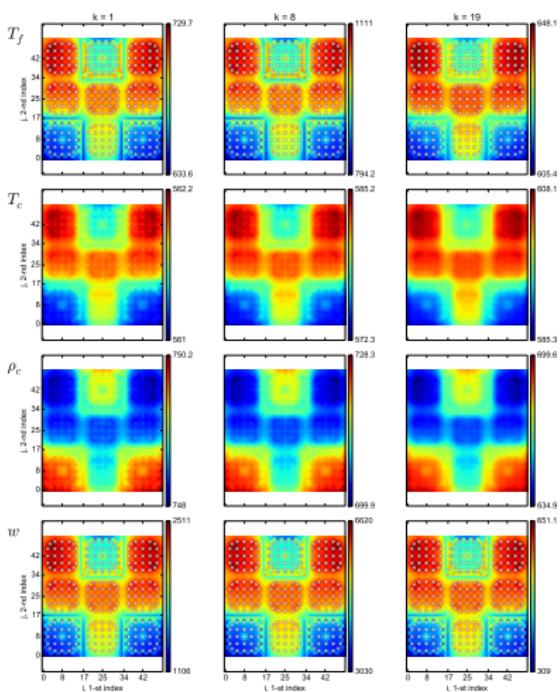
PWR assembly model

- PIRS deployed on a cluster, MCNP jobs queued to a job submission system
- Long MCNP initialization time due to huge amount of cells
- Good agreement with other results (see D1.9)

Results, vertical profile



Results, horizontal profile



Conclusion and outlook

- MCNP interface (low- and high-level) can be used as stand-alone tool to facilitate preparation of complex input files (e.g. 1/4 of the core).
- SCF interface mature enough to treat square bundles. Ideas to generalization tested but not implemented.
- Limitations due to MCNP number of cells
 - MCNP 6?
 - SERPENT-2
- PIRS is a tool for fast implementation of coupled MCNP-SCF calculations for geometries from one-pin to minicore.
- Documentation is (partly) written.