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***INSTANTAN Module**

Calculate instantaneous flux and power distributions based on instantaneous fuel burnup distribution.

Let channel (i,j) has Age (i,j)

Burnup of bundle (i,j,k) = $\omega(i,j,k,o) + \text{Age}(i,j) \times [\omega(i,j,k,l) - \omega(i,j,k,o)]$

where

$\omega(i,j,k,o)$ = burnup of bundle (i,j,k) at the beginning of cycle

$\omega(i,j,k,l)$ = burnup of bundle (i,j,k) at the end of cycle

Age = 0 at the beginning of cycle and 1.0 at the end of cycle

Bundle irradiation at the beginning and at the end of cycle are calculated in the Time-Average Core Calculation



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Two options to generate channel age distribution:

1) Pure random age distribution generated by a random number generator

input required: random seed
minimum age difference between adjacent channels

**2) PATTERN RANDIS (patterned random distribution)
created by an external program RANDIS**

input required: first channel to be refuelled
(out of 7 by 7 channels)
average age (default = 0.50)

output: G Cards (channel age for each channel)



Selection Criterion of Channel to be Refuelled

Figure of Merit of Potential Candidate Channel (i)

$$\square W(i) \sum \text{Age}(j) \times D(i,j),$$

where j is evaluated over all channels which have been refuelled

W(i) is a weighting factor normally 0.0 and 1.0

W(i) is zero if channel (i) has the same fuelling direction as the last channel refuelled,

W(i)=0.1 if an adjacent channel has been refuelled recently

Age(j) is the age of channel j (age=0 for channels not yet refuelled),
and

D(i,j) is the distance between channel i and channel j.

The channel with the highest merit, i.e., Maximum Age Distance (MAD), is chosen for refuelling.



Example of Refuelling Sequence in a 7 by 7 Lattice

-3	12	-23	6	-27	10	-19
18	-39	32	-19	34	-37	4
-29	14	-47	38	-17	42	-15
9	-43	26	-1	48	-25	30
-33	22	-49	28	-31	20	-7
16	-41	36	-13	40	-35	44
-5	24	-9	46	-21	2	-11



Example of G cards generated by RANDIS

.0000	.0600	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
.3800	.0800	.7400	.4400	.8400	.1400	.4800	.0000
.9800	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.3200	.6400	.0000
.0400	.7800	.2000	.3800	.3400	.5600	.0200	.0000
.0800	.3800	.1200	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.3000	.2600	.1600	.0000
.5000	.1300	.1000	.3400	.8800	.1800	.2800	.0000
.7400	.2000	.3000	.6000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
.0000	.0000	.0000	.7800	.6200	.9200	.7000	.0000
.0000	.0000	.0000	.4000	.7800	.3000	.5200	.0000
.4400	.3800	.9600	.7800	.6200	.0000	.0000	.0000
.0000	.0000	.8800	.9000	.9400	.7200	.5400	.0000
.0000	.4400	.8000	.6200	.3400	.6400	.4200	.0000
.8400	.3400	.4800	.9000	.9400	.7200	.0000	.0000
.0000	.0000	.1800	.5200	.6400	.2200	.3600	.0000
.0000	.3200	.2600	.9200	.7200	.3200	.7600	.0000
.1400	.5600	.1800	.5200	.6400	.2200	.0000	.0000
.0000	.0000	.2800	.8200	.4200	.7600	.0600	.0000
.0000	.0200	.2800	.8200	.4200	.7600	.0600	.0000
.2400	.8600	.1600	.7000	.5400	.3600	.0600	.0000
.4800	.0200	.2800	.8200	.4200	.7600	.0600	.0000
.0000	.0000	.7400	.4400	.8400	.1400	.4800	.0000
.9800	.0800	.0400	.4000	.8800	.1000	.2400	.0000
.9800	.0800	.7400	.4400	.8400	.1400	.4800	.0000
.9800	.0800	.7400	.4400	.8400	.1400	.4800	.0000
.0400	.3800	.2000	.3800	.3400	.8400	.0200	.0000
.0800	.3800	.1200	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
.0400	.3800	.2000	.3800	.3400	.8400	.0200	.0000
.0800	.3800	.1200	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000	.0000
.5000	.1200	.3000	.6000	.6800	.1800	.2800	.0000
.7400	.2000	.3000	.6000	.6800	.1800	.2800	.0000
.5000	.1200	.3000	.6000	.6800	.1800	.2800	.0000
.7400	.2000	.3000	.6000	.6800	.1800	.2800	.0000
.4000	.8600	.1600	.7000	.5400	.3600	.0600	.0000
.4400	.3800	.9600	.7800	.6200	.0000	.0000	.0000
.6000	.8600	.1600	.7000	.5400	.3600	.0600	.0000
.4400	.3800	.9600	.7800	.6200	.0000	.0000	.0000
.8800	.4600	.8000	.6200	.3400	.6400	.4200	.0000
.8800	.4600	.8000	.6200	.3400	.6400	.4200	.0000
.8800	.4600	.8000	.6200	.3400	.6400	.4200	.0000
.8800	.4600	.8000	.6200	.3400	.6400	.4200	.0000
.1800	.2600	.2600	.9200	.7200	.3200	.7600	.0000
.1400	.5600	.1800	.5200	.6400	.2200	.3600	.0000



	Channel Power	Mean Value +/- Sigma	Bundle Power	Mean Val +/- Sigma
Rands 388 S.C. on 1.0 FPD step	7305.1 KW	7249.9 65.8	868.6 KW	855.5 7.6
	7179.9 KW		858 KW	
	7229.5 KW		860.3 KW	
	7374.3 KW		854.8 KW	
	7223.7 KW		843.6 KW	
	7233.1 KW		859.3 KW	
	7208.1 KW		844.5 KW	
	7275.8 KW		861 KW	
	7221.2 KW		851.2 KW	
7248.6 KW	857.1 KW			
Rands 388 No S.C.	7398 KW	7357.3 82.2	876 KW	878.3 11.1
	7336.3 KW		879.9 KW	
	7314.4 KW		876.7 KW	
	7297.6 KW		865.8 KW	
	7327.5 KW		861.1 KW	
	7448.8 KW		892.2 KW	
	7279.2 KW		867.6 KW	
	7587.1 KW		895 KW	
	7280 KW		868.7 KW	
7343.9 KW	880.6 KW			
Rands Originated 10 days from a 350FPD study	7033 KW	7018.1 35.9	816 KW	810.0 6.7
	7039 KW		803.8 KW	
	7047 KW	7063 6968	818.6 KW	
	6996 KW		810.7 KW	
	6982 KW		818.1 KW	
	7068 KW		812.9 KW	
	6974 KW		799.7 KW	
	7044 KW		810.4 KW	
	7046 KW		807.5 KW	
	6968 KW		807 KW	



*Instantan (AGEMIN=0.0)	9254.8 KW	Mean Value	+/-	Sigma	1150.3 KW	Mean Val	+/-	Sigma
	8147.4 KW	8498.3		604.8	1015.1 KW	1049.5		76.7
	8927.1 KW	Max Value		Min Value	1104.5 KW			
	9503.8 KW	9503.8		7611.5	1185.5 KW			
	8530.5 KW				1058.4 KW			
	7811.5 KW				942.9 KW			
	8127.4 KW				1022.8 KW			
	7990.2 KW				981.9 KW			
	6118.9 KW				991.8 KW			
	6771.7 KW				1042.2 KW			
*Instantan (AGEMIN=0.2)	9549.3 KW	Mean Value	+/-	Sigma	1172.4 KW	Mean Val	+/-	Sigma
	8782.6 KW	8627.2		625.5	1045.6 KW	1039.4		87.5
	7962.9 KW	Max Value		Min Value	932.8 KW			
	8945.1 KW	9549.3		7734.3	1107.8 KW			
	7734.3 KW				942.9 KW			
	9526.7 KW				1162.4 KW			
	7938.4 KW				937.3 KW			
	8568.7 KW				1025.8 KW			
	8732.6 KW				1029.6 KW			
	8531.7 KW				1038.9 KW			
Randa Originated 10 days from a 360FPD study	7033 KW	Mean Value	+/-	Sigma	816 KW	Mean Val	+/-	Sigma
	7039 KW	7019.1		35.3	803.8 KW	810.0		5.7
	7047 KW	Max Value		Min Value	818.8 KW			
	6995 KW	7063		6968	810.7 KW			
	6982 KW				813.1 KW			
	7063 KW				812.9 KW			
	6974 KW				799.7 KW			
	7044 KW				810.4 KW			
	7046 KW				807.5 KW			
	6968 KW				807 KW			



RANDIS age-pattern generator has been used to generate random age patterns for many fuel cycle studies:

SEU: 0.9% up to 3.2% U-235

MOX: up to 4% Pu

DUPIC, RU

Reactors: C-6, C-8, HAC (640 channels)

Fuel design: 37-el, CANFLEX, 61-el

Maximum channel and maximum bundle powers predicted by RANDIS are generally within 5% of those derived by RFSP time-dependent fuelling simulations at a later stage.