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*It is well when the wise and the learned discover new truths; but how much better to diffuse the truths already discovered amongst the multitudes. Every addition to true knowledge is an addition to human power; and while a philosopher is discovering one new truth, millions of truths may be propagated amongst the people. . . . The whole land must be watered with the streams of knowledge.—Horace Mann*

## CHANGES TO THE COMPUTER CODE COLLECTION

Eight changes were made to the computer code collection during the month. Four new code systems were packaged and added to the collection, an existing code package was replaced with a newly-frozen version, additions were made to the documentation of one code package, and two code packages were updated to improve or correct code performance. Four changes resulted from foreign contributions.

### CCC-323/DKR

A newly-frozen version of this radioactivity and dose rate calculation code system for fusion reactors was contributed by the Fusion Technology Institute, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin. This version extends the original DKR with a more realistic pulse sequence scheme to simulate inertial confinement fusion and a capability to treat two-dimensional r-z and x-y geometries. Included in the package are programs DOSE and CONVERT and transmutation and decay library ACTLLIB. The neutron flux from a transport calculation with a neutral particle transport code such as CCC-254/ANISN-ORNL, CCC-428/ONEDANT, or CCC-456/TWODANT, and the data from ACTLLIB are essential inputs. Decay

gamma-ray sources generated by DKR can be used in the DOSE code to calculate either spatially-dependent dose rates at a specific time after shutdown or time-dependent dose rates at a specific position. The CONVERT program can be used to transfer DKR decay gamma-ray sources to DOSE or another transport code. Forward and adjoint schemes can be utilized in the calculations. Neutron transmutation data and decay gamma-ray sources from DKR are in 46 group and 21 group structure, respectively. References: UWFDM-714, Vol. 1 & 2 (April 1987). FORTRAN 77; CRAY XMP/48.

### CCC-379/SHIELDOSE

The documentation for this code system for space shielding radiation dose calculations was updated at the suggestion of the original contributor, the National Bureau of Standards, Gaithersburg, Maryland. Tables of depth dose data were added and sample problem input/output was removed from the document. Reference: NBS Technical Note 1116 (1980) and informal notes (1984). FORTRAN 77; IBM 3084Q, VAX-11/780, and CDC CYBER-740.

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### CCC-493/QAD-CGGP

All versions of this point kernel code for neutron and gamma-ray shielding calculations were updated to handle calls for geometric progression (GP) buildup factors for energies above 10 MeV, to refine the extrapolation procedures beyond 40 mean free paths, and to print buildup factor data up to 60 mean free paths. We thank Grove Engineering, Rockville, Maryland, for pointing out the first problem. Coding changes were provided by the contributors at Oak Ridge National Laboratory and the Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute (JAERI), Tokai Research Establishment. **Those who received CCC-493B for the IBM PC after July 27, 1987, have the corrected version and need not request this update.** Reference: Bechtel Report NE007 and informal notes. FORTRAN 77; IBM 3033 and Data General MV/4000 (A), IBM PC MICRO (B) (2 diskettes required) and CRAY XMP (C).

### CCC-499 MICRO/PART61

Minor corrections were made to this low-level radioactive waste impacts analysis system at the suggestion of Weston, Edison, New Jersey. The INTRUDE FORTRAN and executable programs and the output file from ECONOMY were updated to be consistent with the NUREG document. The INTRUDE output is not affected by this change. The package was contributed by Envirosphere Company, New York, and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, Washington, D.C. References: NUREG/CR-4370, Vol. 1 and 2 (Jan. 1986). Micro-soft FORTRAN 77 Version 3.30 (tested at RSIC with version 3.31) under PC DOS; IBM PC (or compatible). Eight 5.25-in. DS/DD diskettes are required to obtain the entire package. A single DS/DD diskette can be used to obtain the corrected files.

### CCC-519/AUS87

This modular system for neutronics calculations of fission reactors, fusion blankets, and other systems was contributed by the Australian Atomic Energy Commission Research Establishment, Lucas Heights Research Laboratories, Sutherland, Australia. The system modules can be used for lattice calculations, one-dimensional transport calculations, one-, two-, and three-dimensional diffu-

sion calculations, burnup calculations, and flexible editing of results. AUS87 is a modular system that is executed in paths, or sequences, in which modules are linked to perform the required calculations. A module is self contained apart from user supplied input and input/output of data via data pools. The AUSYS program supervises and supports the execution of a path. Extensive use of assembler language in the supervisor program makes it machine-dependent. Also included, in binary form, are ENDF/B-IV based neutron (128 group) and coupled (200 neutron, 37 photon group) cross-section libraries. Developed for IBM 360/50, the system is now operational on IBM 4381. It compiles on the IBM FORTRAN 77 compiler FORTVS, but is not completely FORTRAN 77. References: Informal Notes (1987), AAEC/E645 (April 1987), AAEC/E621 (March 1986), AAEC/E620 (October 1985), AAEC/E624 (March 1986), AAEC/E626 (December 1985), AAEC/E583 (March 1984), AAEC/E539 (May 1982), and AAEC/E389 (May 1976).

### CCC-522 MICRO/VARSKIN

This code system, contributed by Pacific Northwest Laboratory, Richland, Washington, computes the radiation dose to the skin from radioactive contamination of the skin. The dose is computed at a specified depth from a source, ranging in size from a point to a disk having a 100-cm<sup>2</sup> area. The method is based on the tables of absorbed energy distributions around point sources in water developed by M. J. Berger and published in 1971 in Pamphlet No. 7 of the *Journal of Nuclear Medicine*. The computation algorithm is a point kernel integrated over the exposed skin to yield the average dose. A data library for 83 radioactive isotopes is included. VARSKIN was tested on an IBM PC with a 640K Random Access Memory using Micro-soft Version 3.31 FORTRAN to compile the programs under PC/DOS 3.1. There are two executable files included in the package; one (106K bytes) requires the 8087 math coprocessor and the other (113K bytes) does not. Reference: NUREG/CR-4418 (PNL-5610) (Aug. 1987). FORTRAN 77, IBM PC. A single 5.25-in. DS/DD diskette is required to obtain the package.

### PSR-249/REFERDOU

This three-part code system for NE-213 unfold-

ing of neutron spectra up to 100 MeV with response function error propagation was contributed by the Institute for Nuclear Study, University of Tokyo, Japan. The RESU Monte Carlo code calculates response functions for energies up to 100 MeV. The code uses measured light output data, new cross-section data based on ENDF/B-IV, PSR-14/O5S, and other sources, and two-body reaction models (rather than evaporation) for carbon reaction processes. Interpolation and Gaussian spreading is done with the INTER program. The unfolding with propagation of errors (uncertainties) is accomplished with FERDOU, a modified version of the PSR-102/FERDO code system. References: *Nuclear Instruments and Methods* **204**(1), 179-89 (December 1982); *Nuclear Technology*, **53**, 78-85 (April 1981); and Informal

Notes (June, January 1984). FORTRAN IV; FACOM M380.

#### PSR-250/CRECTJ5

This code system for compiling evaluated nuclear data in ENDF/B format was contributed by JAERI, Tokai-mura, Naka-gun, Ibaraki-ken, Japan, through the NEA Data Bank, Gif-sur-Yvette, France. CRECTJ5 can be used to compile evaluated nuclear data in ENDF/B-IV and ENDF/B-V formats. Its main function is in reading evaluated nuclear data and making a complete and consistent file that conforms to the format rules. In addition, it can be used for performing arithmetic operations, averaging, and correcting cross sections, and constructing natural element data from isotopic data. Reference: Informal Document (1986). FORTRAN-IV; VAX-11/780.

## CHANGE TO THE DATA LIBRARY COLLECTION

A new data library was added to the collection during the month.

#### DLC-134 MICRO/RADDECAY

This library of radioactive decay data for radiological assessments was contributed by Grove Engineering, Inc., Rockville, Maryland. RADDECAY is an interactive TrueBasic program for the IBM PC, or compatible, for retrieving and displaying decay information for 497 radionuclides. The

data are derived from DLC-80/DRALIST, a data set giving radioactive decay energies, spectra, half lives, and other information. Data provided include the half life, radioactive daughter nuclides, probabilities per decay, and decay product energies for alpha particles, beta rays, positrons, electrons, x-rays, and gamma rays. The radioactive decay data in the library were published in DOE/TIC-11026 and made available as DLC-80/DRALIST in the MEDLIST format. References: Informal Notes (Oct. 1987). IBM PC; TrueBasic. Two 5.25-in. DS/DD diskettes are required.

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## CONFERENCES, COURSES, SYMPOSIA

RSIC attempts to keep its users/contributors advised of conferences, courses, and symposia in the field of radiation protection, transport, and shielding through this section of the newsletter. Should you be involved in the planning/organization of such events, feel free to send your announcements and calls for papers to RSIC.

#### Calendar

Your attention is directed to the following events of interest.

#### February 1988

*Radioactive Waste Management Conference*, Feb. 25-26, 1988, London. Contact: Louise Marriott, IBC Technical Services Ltd., 3rd Floor, Bath House, 56 Holborn Viaduct, London EC1A 2EX, U.K. (phone 01-236-4080).

*Waste Management '88: Symposium on Radioactive Waste Management*, Feb. 26-Mar. 3, 1988, Tucson, Arizona, sponsored by the University of Arizona. Contact: M. Wacks, Dept. of Nuclear and Energy Engineering, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ 85721 (phone 602-621-2475).

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### March 1988

*24th Annual Meeting of the National Council on Radiation Protection and Measurements*, Mar. 30–31, 1988, Washington, D.C. The principal session is "Radon." Contact: NCRP, 7910 Woodmont Ave., Suite 1016, Bethesda, MD 20814.

### April 1988

*Annual Meeting of the Atomic Energy Society of Japan*, Apr. 4–6, 1988, Tokyo. Contact: Minoru Masamoto, Secretary General, AESJ, No. 1-13, 1-chome, Shim-bashi, Minato-ku, Tokyo 105, Japan.

*Workshop on Non-ionising Radiation Biological Effects, Protection and Standards*, Apr. 5–8, 1988, Melbourne, Australia. Contact: J. C. Button, Scientific Secretary, IRPA 7, Health and Safety Div., Australian Atomic Energy Commission, Private Mail Bag, Sutherland, NSW 2232 Australia.

*Seventh International Congress of the International Radiation Protection Association (IRPA 7)*, Apr. 10–17, 1988, Sydney, Australia. Contact: J.C.E. Button, Scientific Secretary, IRPA 7, Health & Safety Div., Australian Atomic Energy Commission, Private Mail Bag, Sutherland, N.S.W. 2232, Australia (phone 61-2-543-3295) (Telex: AA.24562).

*International Symposium on Fusion Nuclear Technology*, Apr. 10–19, 1988, Tokyo. Contact: Kenzo Miya, Nuclear Engineering Research Lab., University of Tokyo, Tokai-mura, Ibaraki Prefecture, 319-1 Japan (phone 011-813-812-211 ext 7421) or Mohamed Abdou, University of California-Los Angeles (phone 213-206-1228).

*International Conference on Radiation Protection Principles in Nuclear Energy*, Apr. 18–22, 1988, Sydney, Australia, sponsored by the IAEA. Contact: W. Porter, IE-13, U.S. Dept. of Energy, Forrestal, Washington, DC 20585 (phone 202-252-4573).

### May 1988

*Safety of Next Generation Power Reactors*, May 1–6, 1988, Seattle, Washington, sponsored by the ANS Reactor Physics, Reactor Operations, Human Factors, and Fuel Cycle and Waste Management Divisions, and the U.S. DOE. Contact: Robert Ferguson, Ferguson & Assoc., 7601 W. Clearwater, Suite 450, Kennewick, WA 99336 (phone 509-783-1446).

*3rd Topical Meeting on Tritium Technology in Fission, Fusion, and Isotopic Applications*, May 1–6, 1988, Toronto, Canada, sponsored by the Canadian Nuclear Society and the American Nuclear Society. Contact: C. D. Burnham, CFFTP, 2700 Lakeshore Road, West, Mississauga, Ontario, Canada, L5J 1X3 (phone 416-823-6364) or Harold Anderson, Monsanto Research Corp., P.O. Box 32, Miamisburg, OH 45342 (phone 513-865-3062).

*International Conference on Incineration of Hazardous and Radioactive Waste*, May 3–6, 1988, San Fran-

cisco, sponsored by the American Nuclear Society. Contact: Jim Tripodes, Univ. of California, EG&S Traylor Complex 407, Irvin, CA 92717 USA (phone 714-856-6200).

*International Symposium on the Management of Low and Intermediate Level Radioactive Wastes*, May 16–20, 1988, Stockholm, Sweden, sponsored by the International Atomic Energy Agency. Contact: Conference Service Section, IAEA, P.O. Box 100, A-1400 Vienna, Austria.

*International Conference on Nuclear Data for Science and Technology*, May 30–June 3, 1988, Mito, Japan, sponsored by the Japan Atomic Energy Research Institute. Contact: Sin-iti Igarasi, Conference Secretariat, Nuclear Data Center, JAERI, Tokai-mura, Naka-gun, Ibaraki-ken 319-11 Japan (phone 0292-82-5480).

### June 1988

*International Conference on Computational Physics (ICCP)*, June 1–5, 1988, Beijing, sponsored by the Institute of Applied Physics and Mathematics, Beijing, and Drexel University, Pennsylvania. Contact: Zhang Tianyuan, IAPCM, P.O. Box 8009, Beijing, China (PRC) or D. H. Feng, Department of Physics and Atmospheric Science, Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA 19104 USA.

*American Nuclear Society Annual Meeting*, June 12–17, 1988, San Diego, California. Contact: ANS, Meetings Dept., 555 North Kensington Ave., La Grange Park, IL 60525 (phone 312-352-6611).

### September 1988

*Industrial Radiation and Radioisotope Measurement Applications*, Sept. 6–8, 1988, Pinehurst, North Carolina, a topical meeting sponsored by the Isotopes and Radiation Division of the ANS. Contact: Robin P. Gardner, General Chairman, or Kuruvilla Verghese, Tech. Program Chairman, North Carolina State Univ., School of Engineering, Box 7909, Raleigh, NC 27695-7909.

*International Topical Meeting on Waste Management*, Sept. 11–15, 1988, Pasco, Washington. Contact: Bill Bonner, Pacific Northwest Laboratory, P.O. Box 999, Richland, WA 99352 (phone 509-376-5451 or FTS 444-5451).

*7th International Conference on Radiation Shielding (ICRS)*, Sept. 12–16, 1988, Bournemouth, United Kingdom, sponsored by the OECD Nuclear Energy Agency and the UK Atomic Energy Agency. Contact: A. K. McCracken, UKAEA Winfrith, Dorchester, Dorset, DT2 8DH, UK or Leo LeSage, Argonne National Laboratory, Argonne, IL 60439 (phone 312-972-6048).

*11th International CODATA Conference, "Scientific and Technical Data in a New Era,"* Sept. 26–29, 1988, Karlsruhe, Fed. Rep. of Germany. Contact: DECHEMA, ATTN: CODATA Conference, P.O. Box 97 01 46, D-6000 Frankfurt/M. 97, Fed. Rep. of Germany (phone 069 7564 241/242/243; Telex: 412490 dcha d.).

**October 1988**

*4th International Symposium on Radiation Physics (ISRP-4)*, Oct. 3-7, 1988, São Paulo, Brazil. Contact: Prof. Ivan Cunha Nascimento, ISRP-4 Chairman of the Organizing Committee, Inst. de Física-Universidade de São Paulo, Caixa Postal 20516 (TELEX: 011-37920 IF

SP -1498-São Paulo-SP-Brazil).

*5th National Conference on Biomedical Physics and Engineering*, Oct. 15-17, 1988, Sofia, Bulgaria. Contact: M. Markov, Department of Biophysics, Biological Faculty, Sofia University, 8, Dragan Tzankov Blvd., Sofia 1000, Bulgaria.

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