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## ABSTRACT

Estimates of fuel management data for the equilibrium operation of a specific CANDU reactor have been obtained by simulating a period of the reactor's history using the Fuel Management Design Program (FM DP).

The collapsing procedure in FM DP has been tested and improved. This procedure prepares a coarse mesh model of the reactor core from a detailed fine mesh calculation. The program calculates a set of coarse mesh parameters which, when used in the flux calculation, will regenerate exactly the same eigenvalue and flux distribution as the fine mesh model. These parameters can then be used with the coarse mesh, to calculate flux distributions for a series of perturbations from the reference calculation used in collapsing.

Several coarse mesh models were generated and studied. It was found that coarse mesh calculations with collapsed parameters result in large savings in computing costs compared to the same calculations with fine mesh, but with very little loss in accuracy.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

### 1.1 Project Objectives

This study had two objectives. The first was to simulate a period of operation of a specific CANDU reactor using the Fuel Management Design Program (FMDP) to obtain estimates of the following equilibrium data:

- (i) the maximum channel and bundle powers,
- (ii) the refuelling rate required to maintain criticality,
- (iii) the average discharge bundle irradiation for the two regions (inner and outer core), and
- (iv) fuelling power changes

The method of selection of channels for refuelling will be discussed.

The second objective was to test and improve the collapsing procedure in FMDP. A description of this procedure and its uses is given in Section 1.3 following an outline of the types of calculations which can be done with FMDP.

### 1.2 Description of FMDP

FMDP is a two group, three dimensional, neutron diffusion computer program designed to do a wide range of fuel management calculations for CANDU reactors. Reactor operation is simulated by computing flux distributions at a series of time steps. Irradiation

values for each fuel bundle in the core are increased at each time step using the current thermal flux. Cross sections for the flux calculation are obtained by interpolation in a table of cross sections as a function of irradiation. The tabulated cross sections are obtained from the lattice cell code POWDERPUFS-V<sup>(1)</sup>.

The program is also capable of calculating flux distributions for a random distribution of fuel bundle burnups. This simulates a snapshot of a possible distribution of irradiation in the core at some possible instant during core life and will be referred to in this report as the instantaneous calculation. These calculations do not require a simulation of the previous history of the reactor.

In addition, the program does a time-averaged calculation. The code computes a flux distribution which is an average over a long period of equilibrium operation. This calculation also, does not require simulation of reactor history.

Details of these calculations are contained in Appendix A and in the FMDP documentation<sup>(2,3)</sup>.

The method used by the code to simulate the reactor is described in Appendix B. Note that for the purpose of the flux calculation, the reactor can be modelled with fine mesh, normal mesh or coarse mesh as follows:

- (i) In the fine mesh model each controller is represented by small mesh volumes of the order of the physical size of the device. This model contains a large number of mesh cells and the flux calculation is detailed, but expensive.

- (ii) In the normal mesh model, the mesh planes coincide with the lattice cell planes, so that there is one mesh point per fuel bundle. The mesh cell size is one lattice pitch by 1 lattice pitch by 1 bundle length (1\*1\*1).
- (iii) In the coarse mesh model, there are fewer than 1 mesh point per fuel bundle.

For the normal and coarse mesh models, incremental cross sections for the controllers can be smeared across the mesh cells by volume weight averaging, or can be generated using the collapsing procedure. This is described in the following section.

FMDP is still under active development. Each modification is identified by a version number indicating the date and status of the version. TST indicates a test version. ALW indicates that the version has been approved by A.L. Wight. The later versions should give better answers to the calculations.

Calculations in this study were done on the CDC 6600 computer located at the Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories. The operating system was SCOPE 3.4. Towards the end of the project some calculations were done on the newly installed CYBER 175 computer with the NOS/BE operating system. Jobs were submitted through terminals located at AECL Power Projects, Sheridan Park and Meadowvale.

### 1.3 Collapsing Procedure

The collapse module in FMDP prepares a normal or coarse mesh model of the reactor core from a detailed fine mesh reference calculation. The program calculates a set of normal or coarse mesh parameters which, when used in the flux calculation, will regenerate exactly the same eigenvalue and flux distribution as the fine mesh model. These parameters can then be used with normal or coarse mesh to calculate flux distributions for a series of perturbations from the reference case. The decreased number of mesh points with respect to fine mesh, results in lower computing costs. A penalty in terms of some loss in accuracy is incurred.

The proposed use of the collapsing procedure is illustrated by considering the study to optimize the fuel load of a CANDU reactor at startup with fresh and depleted fuel. The study requires the simulation of the reactor operation from startup with various initial fuel loads to onset of fuelling in 5 or 10 Full Power Day (FPD) steps. This period is of a transient nature and lasts for about 100 FPD. The initial fuel load is the configuration of natural and depleted fuel at startup. The objective of the study is to determine the  $UO_2$  content of the depleted bundles and their location which give the most satisfactory reactor operation over the initial transient. A detailed discussion of this study is contained in Ref. 4.

The study can be done with FMDP using the following procedure:

- (i) Generate a fine mesh reactor model.
- (ii) Convert to a coarse mesh model using the collapsing procedure.

- (iii) Run the simulation with coarse mesh for various initial core configurations.  
Select the optimum configuration.
- (iv) Repeat the simulation with the optimum core configuration but with the fine mesh model.

Step (iv) gives the 'correct' answer for operation with the optimum core configuration.

The degree of coarseness which can be tolerated in step (iii) depends upon the difference in the fuel management data which are obtained for each initial core loading. This difference must be significantly greater than the error which results from using the coarse mesh model. The error must be known from previous testing of the collapsing procedure (step (iv) serves as a check on the error). For example, suppose the maximum bundle power over the initial transient with  $\bar{a}$  particular initial loading is A kW. A second initial loading gives a maximum bundle power of B kW. The predicted percentage error in these values is C%. The coarse mesh model used to obtain X and Y is acceptable if  $\frac{A - B}{(A + B)/2} \times 100$  is significantly greater than C.

The advantage of simulating operation with coarse mesh in step (iii) is in terms of reduced computing costs - the coarser the mesh used, the cheaper the study. Note that in the design of the larger CANDU reactors, fine mesh simulations become prohibitively expensive.

The collapsing procedure is as follows: The reference fine mesh distribution is volume weight averaged over the coarse mesh cells.  $A \Sigma_a$  and  $v\Sigma_f$  is then calculated for each coarse mesh volume from

$$v\Sigma_f^* v\varphi^2 = k(\Sigma_r^1 v\varphi^1 - \lambda^1) \quad (1.3-1)$$

$$\Sigma_a^* v\varphi^2 = (\Sigma_{1 \rightarrow 2} v\varphi^1 + \alpha^2) \quad (1.3-2)$$

where

$\mathcal{L}^n = \sum_{i=1}^6 b_i^n \phi_i^n$  is the sum of the coupling coefficients times the neighbouring fluxes,

$\phi^n$  is the cell volume averaged flux in group  $n$  ( $n = 1, 2$ ),

$\nu \Sigma_f^*$ ,  $\Sigma_a^*$  are the fission source and thermal absorption cross-sections which will reproduce the given flux distribution,

$\Sigma_r^1$  is the group removal cross section,

( $\Sigma_r^1 = \Sigma_a^1 + \Sigma_{1 \rightarrow 2}$ ),  $\Sigma_{1 \rightarrow 2}$  is the group 1 to 2 transfer cross-section, and

$k$  is the fine mesh eigenvalue.

Note that these are simply the seven point finite difference two group diffusion equations rearranged to solve for the unknown cross-sections with a given flux distribution.

The program then generates and stores the set of cross-section increments for further use. Thus

$$\Delta \nu \Sigma_f = \nu \Sigma_f^* - \nu \Sigma_f \quad (1.3-3)$$

$$\Delta \Sigma_a = \Sigma_a^* - \Sigma_a \quad (1.3-4)$$

The  $\nu \Sigma_f$  and  $\Sigma_a$  are the normal cell cross-sections unperturbed by an absorber.

The fine mesh reference flux distribution can be generated with a time-averaged calculation to produce time-averaged collapsed parameters, or by the instantaneous calculation to produce instantaneous collapsed parameters.

By way of example, consider the simplified section of a core shown modelled in fine mesh in Fig. 1a. It consists of one lattice cell, perturbed by a thermal absorber. One mesh point is at the centre of each of three fine mesh cells. Suppose we want to generate the normal mesh model. The normal mesh boundaries are shown in Fig. 1b and coincide with the lattice cell boundaries. In preparation for collapsing, a set of normal mesh cross-sections are calculated for the normal mesh cell; the thermal cross-sections are  $\bar{\Sigma}_a = \Sigma_a^{\text{MODERATOR}} + \Sigma_a^{\text{FUEL}}$  and  $v\Sigma_f = v\Sigma_f^{\text{FUEL}}$  where the fuel cross-sections are previously calculated by the lattice cell code by flux volume weight averaging. Note that the effect of the absorber is not included in these smeared cross-sections.

The next step is to generate a fine mesh reference flux distribution and eigenvalue. For the section of the core considered, there will be three values for the fast flux ( $\phi_{\text{CELL 1}}^1, \phi_{\text{CELL 2}}^1, \phi_{\text{CELL 3}}^1$ ) and three values for the thermal flux ( $\phi_{\text{CELL 1}}^2, \phi_{\text{CELL 2}}^2, \phi_{\text{CELL 3}}^2$ ).

The fine mesh flux distributions are collapsed to normal mesh by volume weight averaging

$$\text{i.e. } \phi_{\text{NM}}^1 = \frac{V_1 \phi_{\text{CELL 1}}^1 + V_2 \phi_{\text{CELL 2}}^1 + V_3 \phi_{\text{CELL 3}}^1}{V}$$

$$\text{and } \phi_{\text{NM}}^2 = \frac{V_1 \phi_{\text{CELL 1}}^2 + V_2 \phi_{\text{CELL 2}}^2 + V_3 \phi_{\text{CELL 3}}^2}{V}$$

$\phi_{\text{NM}}^1$  and  $\phi_{\text{NM}}^2$  are the fluxes, perturbed by the absorber, at the centre of the normal mesh cell.  $V_1, V_2$  and  $V_3$  are the volumes of the fine mesh cells, and  $V$  is the normal mesh volume.

The next step is to adjust two of the normal mesh cross-sections so that, when the diffusion equations are solved for our normal mesh cell,  $\phi_{NM}^1$  and  $\phi_{NM}^2$  will result. Most of the devices which are added to the core are strong thermal absorbers which strongly perturb the thermal flux distribution. For this reason the two thermal cross-sections ( $\nu\Sigma_f$  and  $\Sigma_a$ ) are most affected and were selected as the adjusted cross-sections.

Thus for the cell in Fig. 1b,

$$\nu\Sigma_f^* \phi_{NM}^2 = k(\Sigma_r^1 \phi_{NM}^1 - \alpha^1)$$

and

$$\Sigma_a^* \phi_{NM}^2 = (\Sigma_{1 \rightarrow 2} \phi_{NM}^1 + \alpha^1)$$

The cross sectional increments are then generated (Eq. 1.3-3 and 1.3-4) and stored for use in perturbation calculations.

A normal mesh model can also be generated by simple smearing of the absorber cross-section across the normal mesh cell. (The fine mesh model is not required for this.)

i.e. 
$$\Delta\Sigma_{aNM}^{ABSORBER} = \frac{V_2 \Sigma_a^{ABSORBER}}{V}$$

where

$\Sigma_a^{ABSORBER}$  is the cross-section of the pure absorber, and

$\Delta\Sigma_{aNM}^{ABSORBER}$  is the smeared cross section for the cell.

However, when used in the unperturbed flux calculation the correct, collapsed reference values will not be regenerated. Perturbation calculations with a model generated by this procedure were not done in this study. The calculations will presumably be less accurate than when the same coarse mesh is used but with parameters generated by the collapsing procedure.



#### 1.4 Description of Reactor

The reactor modelled in this study, is a right circular cylinder lying on its side and containing 480 horizontal fuel channels of which 208 are in the inner (high burnup) region and 272 are in the outer region. There are 13 bundles per channel of which 12 are in the active core. One half of a bundle at each end of the channel is outside the core. Refuelling occurs on power and is bidirectional. The reference refuelling scheme is eight bundle shift. The reactor is moderated and cooled with heavy water. Full core power is 2695 MW thermal to coolant. Spatial control is by vertical, light water zone controllers.

#### 1.5 Previous FMDP Studies

The fine mesh model of D.G. Parkinson<sup>(5)</sup> was used in this study. The mesh spacings for half core symmetry are shown in Fig. 2. Average discharge irradiations of 1.78 n/kb for the inner region and 1.50 n/kb for the outer region were obtained from an eight bundle shift time-averaged calculation. This calculation was used as a reference throughout this project. The channel power distribution is shown in Fig. 3 and the bundle powers for eight specific channels are shown in Fig. 4.

A representative set of instantaneous power distributions have been obtained by D.G. Parkinson<sup>(5)</sup>. One of these was used in the preliminary testing of the collapsing procedure.

## 2. INVESTIGATION OF THE COLLAPSING PROCEDURE

### 2.1 CP Factor Improvement

The first two collapsed parameters ( $\Delta\Sigma_a$  and  $\Delta\nu\Sigma_f$ ) when used for the reference flux calculation with coarse mesh, exactly regenerate the same eigenvalue and flux distribution as the fine mesh model. However, the bundle power distribution is of more interest in fuel management studies. To regenerate the correct reference power distribution, a third collapsed parameter is required. Before this can be defined, the procedure used to calculate the bundle powers must be described.

This procedure is as follows. The thermal flux distribution obtained by the iterative solution of the diffusion equations, is volume weight averaged over the lattice cell array generating the unnormalized cell flux array, CELLFLUX. The unnormalized power is then computed for each bundle using the following equation:

$$\text{POWER} = \text{CELLFLUX} * \text{H FACTOR} \quad (2.1-1)$$

where the conversion factor, H Factor, is a tabulated function of the bundle irradiation obtained from POWDERPUFS-V. Powers and fluxes are then normalized using the core design thermal power to coolant.

The cell fluxes, and hence the bundle powers, which result from volume weight averaging the reference coarse mesh flux distribution are not the same as result from volume weight averaging the reference fine mesh distribution. This can be seen from the series of figures on Page 49.

Fig. 5a shows the reference (time-averaged) thermal flux distribution along channel D-4. Each point is the flux at the centre of a fine mesh cell. The open circles mark the coarse mesh values obtained after collapsing the fine mesh distribution to 1\*1\*4 cell size (see Fig. 6). Note that for this particular channel, the fine mesh, coarse mesh, and lattice cell boundaries coincide in the radial (x and y) direction and differ only in the axial (z) direction. This is not generally the case with other channels, and D-4 was chosen as an example to simplify the discussion. Volume weight averaging is required only in the axial direction.

Fig. 5b shows the cell flux distribution along D-4 which results after volume weight averaging the coarse mesh distribution over the lattice cells. These fluxes, when used in Eq. 2.1-1 do not generate the correct bundle powers for channel D-4.

The third collapsed parameter can now be defined:

$$\text{CP FACTOR} = \frac{\text{CELL FLUX}^{\text{FM}}}{\text{CELL FLUX}^{\text{CM}}} \text{ at each lattice cell} \quad (2.2-2)$$

CELL FLUX<sup>FM</sup> is the cell flux generated by the fine mesh reference flux distribution (Fig. 5b), and

CELL FLUX<sup>CM</sup> is the cell flux generated by the coarse mesh flux distribution (Fig. 5c).

The CP FACTORS for channel D-4 which would be obtained from this particular reference fine mesh flux distribution and coarse mesh cell size, are shown in Fig. 5d. These would be used in subsequent perturbation calculations with coarse mesh 1\*1\*4 to give a better estimate of the bundle power distribution. This occurs after the perturbed cell fluxes are adjusted using the following equation:

$$\text{Adjusted CELL FLUX} = \text{CELL FLUX} * \text{CP FACTOR at each lattice cell.}$$

The increase in computing costs to generate, store and use the CP FACTOR array is negligible.

## 2.2 Preliminary Testing

Preliminary testing of the collapsing procedure was carried out as follows:

- (i) A half core instantaneous calculation with  $NRAN = 6389$  (see Appendix A) was done with fine mesh
- (ii) Time-averaged collapsed parameters (the  $\Delta\Sigma_a$  and  $\Delta V\Sigma_f$  of Eqs. 1.3-3 and 1.3-4 and the CP FACTORS of Eq. 2.2-2) were obtained by collapsing the time-averaged fine mesh calculation to coarse mesh.
- (iii) The instantaneous calculation of step (i) was repeated with the coarse mesh model of step (ii). The power and cell flux distributions were compared with the 'correct' distributions of step (i) using the analyze module in FM DP. This computed the ratio of each element in the distributions from the coarse mesh calculation to the corresponding element from the fine mesh distribution. The average ratio and the standard deviation were then calculated. The latter is a measure of the accuracy of the coarse mesh distribution - the larger it is the greater the inaccuracy and, assuming an average ratio of unity, the higher the maximum error.

Steps (ii) and (iii) were done for a series of coarse mesh, half core geometries. These are shown in Fig. 6.

### Results of Preliminary Testing

Important data from the fine mesh instantaneous calculation are tabulated in Table 2. The calculation was done twice; with version JUN1776TST and with version DEC0176ALW about 6 months later. The answers obtained were significantly different. The reason for this inconsistency has not been determined. Note, however, that there was minimal difference in the time-averaged calculations with versions JUN1776TST and SEP0176ALW (Table 1).

Statistical comparison with time-averaged data is contained in Table 3. The standard deviation here is a measure of the degree of perturbation. Additional comparison of the channel powers, in Fig. 7 showed a mean difference from time-averaged values of 11.5 percent.

The effect of the CP FACTORS on the accuracy of the 1\*1\*6 calculation is shown in Fig. 8. The bundle powers along channel D-12 from the coarse mesh calculation with and without the CP FACTORS are compared with the fine mesh powers obtained from version JUN1776TST. The accuracy was considerably increased when the factors were used.

Results from the instantaneous calculation with 5 coarse mesh models are presented in Table 4. Note that the calculation with normal mesh (case 1\*1\*1) was done without the CP FACTOR improvement to be consistent with the normal mesh simulation described in the next section. This simulation was started before the program changes were ready.

Comparison with the fine mesh result is contained in Table 5. Case 1\*1\*1, run with version JUN1776TST, was compared with the JUN1776TST fine mesh calculation, while cases 1\*1\*2, 1\*1\*4, 1\*1\*6 and 2\*2\*2 run much later in the project, were compared with the DEC0176ALW fine mesh calculation.

The results show that, of the coarse mesh calculations done, the most accurate answer is obtained from case 1\*1\*2. The channel power distribution for case 1\*1\*1 is second in order of accuracy, but the 1\*1\*1 bundle and cell flux distributions are a little less accurate than the distributions for case 1\*1\*4. If case 1\*1\*1 were repeated with the CP FACTOR improvement, it would presumably give the most accurate results (i.e. closest to the fine mesh results). Of the coarse mesh models tested, the normal mesh model contains the largest number of mesh cells.

Note that all distributions for case 2\*2\*2, in which the reactor is modelled with 1440 mesh points, were closer to fine mesh than the 1\*1\*6 (with 2720 mesh points) distributions. Also, the maximum channel and bundle power and  $k_{eff}$  were more accurate in the former calculation. An explanation of this result is as follows. Suppose the error in the flux calculated at each coarse mesh cell is a function of the mesh spacings, and that this function is separable in the X,Y and Z directions:

$$\text{i.e. Error} = C_1 \Delta X^n + C_2 \Delta Y^m + C_3 \Delta Z^p \quad (2.2-1)$$

If the constants and powers have roughly the same value.

$$\text{Error} \approx C_1 (\Delta X^n + \Delta Y^n + \Delta Z^n)$$

For cell size 1\*1\*6,  $\Delta X = 28.575$ ,  $\Delta Y = 28.575$ ,  $\Delta Z = 297.18$

For cell size 2\*2\*2,  $\Delta X = 57.15$ ,  $\Delta Y = 57.15$ ,  $\Delta Z = 99.06$

$$\therefore \frac{\text{Error}_{2*2*2}}{\text{Error}_{1*1*6}} = \frac{57.15^n + 57.15^n + 99.06^n}{28.575^n + 28.575^n + 297.18^n}$$

For positive values of n greater than .25, this ratio is less than 1 and the flux calculated for a cell with 2\*2\*2 dimensional is the more accurate.

The bundle powers obtained in specific channels, including D-12 which has the maximum value, are compared in Figs. 9 and 10. The percentage error is indicated after each value. Consider Fig. 10. Most of the bundle powers calculated with coarse mesh in D-12 are slightly lower and closer to the time-averaged (reference) values. For example, consider bundle D-12, No. 5. The reference power is 685.1 kW (see Fig. 4). The instantaneous power calculated with fine mesh is 883.5 kW. This is a 29.0 percent perturbation from reference. The instantaneous powers calculated with 1\*1\*2, 1\*1\*4, 1\*1\*6, 2\*2\*2 cell size are 883.1 (28.9), 878.7 (28.3), 861.6 (25.8), and 867.7 kW (26.7) respectively. The degree of perturbation from reference indicated, in parentheses after each value, is decreased for each coarse mesh case and for the 1\*1\*n series of geometries, decreases with increasing cell size.

Now consider channel Q-1 which has a high negative perturbation from reference. The bundle powers calculated with coarse mesh are generally greater than when calculated with fine mesh and, again, the degree of perturbation from reference generally decreases with increasing cell size.

These results apply to most of the bundle and powers, but not all. They are explained by the following hypothesis:

The degree of perturbation of an instantaneous calculation is generally reduced slightly when the calculation is done with coarse mesh using time-averaged collapsed parameters.

Note also that the excess reactivity obtained with coarse mesh is low and closer to the time-averaged value in all cases (see Table 4). This further supports the above hypothesis.

A 4\*4\*4 coarse mesh model was also generated. The instantaneous flux calculation did not converge. The incremental cross-sections

were printed so that the adjusted thermal cross-sections used in the flux calculation could be determined at various mesh points. It was found that at some mesh points, particularly at the core edge, a negative adjusted cross-section resulted. It was concluded that there is a limit in coarseness to the collapsing procedure which is exceeded by the 4\*4\*4 model.

### 2.3 Accuracy of coarse mesh simulations with Collapsed Parameters

The error in the power and flux distributions and excess reactivity obtained with a specific coarse mesh model at some time in a simulation, is compounded of two factors. These are:

- (i) The degree of perturbation from the fine mesh flux distributions and eigenvalue used in collapsing, and
- (ii) The error in the bundle irradiation distribution.

The first factor is investigated using the instantaneous calculation with the procedure of the previous section. The second is discussed below.

Consider a simulation with fine mesh. When the first time step is taken, the bundle irradiation array is incremented using the bundle flux and F factor from the initial flux calculation as shown in the following equation.

$$\omega_K^{FM}(t_1) = \omega_K^{FM}(t_0) + f_K^{FM}(\omega_0) \phi_{K0}^{FM} \Delta t_1 \quad \text{for bundle K} \quad (2.3-1)$$

The superscript indicates the fine mesh reactor model. The nomenclature is provided in Appendix A.

The corresponding equation for the reactor modelled in coarse mesh with collapsed parameters is

$$\omega_K^{CM}(t_1) = \omega_K^{CM}(t_0) + f_K^{CM}(\omega_0) \phi_{K0}^{CM} \Delta t_1 \quad (2.3-2)$$



For the same starting conditions

$$\omega_K^{FM}(t_0) = \omega_K^{CM}(t_0)$$

$$f_K^{FM}(\omega_0) = f_K^{CM}(t_0)$$

$$\phi_{K0}^{FM} = \phi_{K0}^{CM} + \delta\phi_K^1$$

$\delta\phi_K^1$  is the error in the bundle flux from the coarse mesh calculation with respect to the bundle flux calculated with fine mesh. For a particular coarse mesh geometry, this error depends upon the perturbation of the first flux distribution from the fine mesh flux distribution used in collapsing. If there is no perturbation,  $\delta\phi_K^1$  is zero. The error in the irradiation of bundle K after the first time-step is therefore  $\delta\phi_K^1 f_K^{CM}(\omega_0)\Delta t_1$  and the lattice cell cross-sections, computed from fuel tables, for the coarse mesh flux calculation at  $t_1$  will not be the same as those obtained for the fine mesh model.

After n times steps, the error in the irradiation at bundle K is  $\delta\phi_K^1 f_K(\omega_0)\Delta t_1 + \delta\phi_K^2 f_K(\omega_1)\Delta t_2 + \dots + \delta\phi_K^n f_K(\omega_{n-1})\Delta t_n$ .

Note that the error in the F-factor, a weak function of irradiation, has been taken as negligible at each time-step. Note also that the number of error terms at each bundle location does not increase indefinitely. When the channel is refuelled and bundle K is replaced with a fresh bundle the error at this location becomes zero. (This is, of course, provided that the fuelling schedules for fine mesh and coarse mesh simulations are the same) The irradiation of each refuelled bundle is known exactly (i.e. 0.0 n/kb).

The irradiation distributions from a coarse mesh simulation can be compared, at each time step, with the exact fine mesh answer. Since  $\delta\phi$  is as likely to be positive as negative, it is expected that the average ratio at each time step will be unity. i.e.

$$\sum_{K=0}^m \left( \frac{\omega_K^{CM}(t)}{\omega_K^{FM}(t)} \right) = 1$$

where m = number of bundles in core.

However, the standard deviation and maximum error would increase with time and approach steady state values. After a long period of simulation (greater than the average residence time of bundles in the core) the maximum error will always occur at a bundle location with the maximum (or close to) number of error terms.

To investigate the above rigorously, a fine mesh reference simulation is required, followed by the same simulation with a series of coarse mesh reactor models. Unfortunately, the full core fine mesh model required more central memory than was available at the time. The reference simulation was done with normal mesh. Time-averaged collapsed parameters (without CP FACTORS) were generated for normal mesh geometry (see Fig. 6) using the half core fine mesh model, and unfolded to full core. Start conditions were generated by the instantaneous module with a "patterned channel age distribution" (see Appendix A). This reduced power tilts and the clustering of channels with fresh fuel to a minimum and, hence, the initial core conditions could be regarded as optimized. The simulation proceeded for 70 Full Power Days (FPD) with a 5 or 10 FPD step between each flux calculation. Criticality was maintained with the manual refuelling procedure described in Sect. 3.2. Each zone controller was kept at 40 percent fill.

The simulation was repeated with two other coarse mesh geometries (1\*1\*4 and 1\*1\*6 cell size) and started for a third (2\*2\*2). Time-averaged collapsed parameters, including the CP FACTOR arrays, were used. The irradiation distributions were compared at each time step with the distributions generated with the normal mesh model.

#### Comparison of Simulation Data

The simulation data are compared in this section. A detailed discussion of the normal mesh simulation is contained in Sect. 3.

For convenience, the starting point for each simulation has been set to 0 FPD. Only one flux calculation was done at 0 FPD. This was for the normal mesh simulation. The coarser mesh simulations were started not only with the same irradiation distribution, but also with the same bundle and flux distributions. It would have been better to do the flux calculation at 0 FPD for each case. The burns for the first time step are identical.

Tables 6, 7 and 8 show respectively the bulk excess reactivity and the maximum channel and bundle powers, with location, for each simulation as a function of time. Although there is very little difference in the values at each time step, the order of accuracy was predicted from the instantaneous calculations of Sect. 2.2. Note, however, that the maximum powers obtained at the first flux calculation with 2\*2\*2 cell size seem less accurate than the 1\*1\*6 values (taking the 1\*1\*1 channel powers and 1\*1\*4 bundle powers to be the closest to the fine mesh answers) and are probably greater than the fine mesh result.

Average irradiations of bundles discharged in 4 specific timesteps are compared in Table 9. The values increase with increasing mesh coarseness and, as expected, the difference increases slightly with time.

The power and cell flux distributions were compared at four specific times in the simulation and the irradiation distributions were compared at every time step. These results are shown in Table 10 and Fig. 11. The difference in channel power and irradiation distributions increases with time as expected, although the difference in the bundle power distributions remains fairly constant. The average irradiation ratio at each time step was not unity but decreased with time. The reason for this may be because the CP Factor array was not used in the reference simulation, but was used for the other two cases. If a fine mesh simulation becomes possible, the analysis should be repeated with the fine mesh answer as reference.

Simulation results for 5 specific channels are presented in Figs. 12 to 36 permitting absolute comparison of the data. The percentage difference from reference is indicated after each value.

## 2.4 Cost Analysis

Sect. 2.2 and 2.3 have determined the loss in accuracy which results from Fuel Management calculations with normal and coarse mesh reactor models generated by the collapsing procedure in FM DP. The purpose of this subsection is to estimate the savings which result from lower computing costs.

The following equation has been used, until quite recently, by the computing centre for costing jobs

$$\text{Cost}^8 \text{ in } \$ = \frac{0.29}{0.28} \left[ 0.293 * CP + 0.109 * I\emptyset + 0.408 * 10^{-4} * (CP + I\emptyset) * (\text{avg CM})^2 \right] \quad (2.4-1)$$

where  $\text{avg CM} = i \frac{\sum (0.001CP + 0.001I\emptyset)}{CP + I\emptyset} F1$ ; kilowords

FM DP periodically writes to output current memory and CP and I $\emptyset$  times during the execution of a module so that a value for each of these parameters can be estimated for each subcomputation within the module. The costing equation can then be applied to each subcomputation. This allows a more complete indication of the savings (and where they occur) for the calculations with coarse mesh.

### Results

The breakdown of the system requirements and costs for the various computations and core models are given in Tables 11 and 12. The system requirements are based on version DEC0176ALW and the costs were calculated using equation 2.4-1. Note the following:

The value of the CP time for the flux calculation (in milliseconds per iteration per mesh point) was the average over 14 runs done during November and December 1976 on the CDC 6600 computer. The standard deviation was 0.0102.

The average CM for some of the computations was sometimes difficult to determine without detailed examination of the coding. The values recorded are the author's best estimate from the current CM which is periodically written to output during a job. The values for the flux calculation are, however, exact except for the full core fine mesh which, before reaching this step, exceeded the system CM available.

Total costs for various jobs were determined using Tables 11 and 12, and are shown in Table 13. Average CP and IØ times were used for reading data from tape to mass storage at the start of each job and for writing back to tape at the end. Note, however, that with coarse mesh there is less data than with fine mesh resulting in lower costs. This saving is not reflected in Table 18 but is relatively small. The fine mesh half core instantaneous calculation was about 2-1/2 times the cost of the calculation with 2\*2\*2 mesh.

FMDP uses considerable amounts of extended core storage. The maximum is printed at the end of each job. Less ECS is used with coarse mesh so that savings would be greater than shown in Table 18 if there had been a charge for ECS.

A particular job was broken down into its components and the total cost estimated using the above procedure, but with the actual CP and IØ times for the flux calculation and for reading from and writing to tape. The answer agreed to within 4 percent of the cost for the job listed in the monthly statement.

## 2.5 Further Testing of the Collapsing Procedure

### 2.5.1 Instantaneous Collapsed Parameters

This study has examined the loss in accuracy and savings in cost for calculations with time-averaged collapsed parameters for various coarse meshes. FMDP also provides for the generation and use

of instantaneous collapsed parameters. For a simulation, these would be generated using the fluxes and eigenvalue from the fine mesh calculation with the start reactor conditions. The initial power distribution from the coarse mesh calculation is exactly the same as the distribution from the fine mesh calculation. It is therefore more accurate than the initial distribution obtained with time-averaged parameters. As the simulation proceeds and the irradiation distribution differs more and more from the initial distribution, the accuracy will decrease and eventually become less than the accuracy obtained with time-averaged parameters. However, a new set of instantaneous parameters can be generated periodically by a fine mesh calculation with the current reactor conditions.

### 2.5.2 Compound Incremental Cross-sections

The effect of a thermal absorber on the thermal cross-sections is increased in regions of high thermal flux and decreased in regions of low thermal flux. This means that, for each cell,

$$\text{when } \phi^P > \phi^R, \quad \left| \Delta \nu \Sigma_f^P \right| > \left| \Delta \nu \Sigma_f^R \right| \text{ and}$$

$$\left| \Delta \Sigma_a^P \right| > \left| \Delta \Sigma_a^R \right|$$

$$\text{and when } \phi^P < \phi^R, \quad \left| \Delta \nu \Sigma_f^P \right| < \left| \Delta \nu \Sigma_f^R \right| \text{ and}$$

$$\left| \Delta \Sigma_a^P \right| < \left| \Delta \Sigma_a^R \right|$$

The subscript indicates that the value is for the perturbation or reference calculation.

The cell flux will generally be greater than the time-averaged value if the cell contains fresh fuel and less than the time-averaged value if the fuel is high burnup. (This may not be the case with extreme cell boundary conditions). This means that generally the following conditions hold:

when  $\emptyset^P > \emptyset^R$ ,  $\Sigma_a^P < \Sigma_a^R$  and

$$v\Sigma_f^P > v\Sigma_f^R$$

and when  $\emptyset^P < \emptyset^R$ ,  $\Sigma_a^P > \Sigma_a^R$  and

$$v\Sigma_f^P < v\Sigma_f^R$$

The incremental cross-sections from the absorber can be made dependent upon cell conditions by storing compound incremental cross-sections.

These are  $\Sigma_a^R \cdot \Delta\Sigma_a^R$  and  $\frac{\Delta v\Sigma_f^R}{v\Sigma_f^R}$ .  $\Sigma_a^R$  and  $v\Sigma_f^R$  are the coarse mesh

reference cross-sections unperturbed by the absorber.  $\Delta\Sigma_a^R$  and  $\Delta v\Sigma_f^R$  are the incremental cross-sections generated in the normal way by the collapsing procedure.

The incremental cross-sections for a particular perturbation calculation are generated as follows:

$$\Delta\Sigma_a^P = \frac{\Sigma_a^R}{\Sigma_a^P} \cdot \Delta\Sigma_a^R \quad (2.5-1)$$

and

$$\Delta v\Sigma_f^P = \frac{\Delta v\Sigma_f^R \cdot v\Sigma_f^P}{v\Sigma_f^R} \quad (2.5-2)$$

### 3. DISCUSSION OF NORMAL MESH SIMULATION

#### 3.1 Fuelling Objectives

After each flux calculation, the irradiation and channel power distributions were used in the selection of channels for refuelling in the next time step. Channels were selected in order to achieve the following objectives:

- (i) Minimize the maximum ratio of channel power to reference (time-averaged) channel power. This is abbreviated to "maximum channel overpower" in this report and is expressed as a percentage. Since the reference power distribution is normally used to set channel flow rates, this parameter is an indication of channel outlet temperature or outlet quality if the channel is boiling. It is desirable to keep the channel overpower low in order to minimize problems associated with boiling in the channels.
- (ii) Minimize the maximum bundle power. To reduce fuel defects, fuel element centre temperatures and fission gas pressure, it is desirable to keep fuel rating low. The total power which can be obtained from the core is limited by this parameter.
- (iii) Minimize the fuelling rate which keeps the reactor critical.



### 3.2 Fuelling Rules

To achieve the third objective, preference was given to the oldest channels. Channel ages were calculated at each time step using Eq. 3.2-1.

$$\text{CHANNEL AGE} = \frac{\text{AVERAGE IRRADIATION OF THE 8 BUNDLES WHICH ARE DISCHARGED WHEN CHANNEL IS FUELLED}}{\text{TIME AVERAGED EXIT IRRADIATION}} \quad (3.2-1)$$

The two major reasons for high channel overpowers are as follows:

- (i) The channel effect; the bundle power per unit flux varies with time. The power increases in a natural uranium bundle owing to plutonium buildup and then decreases until the minimum is reached at the time of refuelling.
- (ii) The local effect; the channel effect will be amplified if a channel is refuelled in a region that tends to show a clustering of fresh channels. P. Stevens<sup>7</sup> obtained a relationship between the additional increase in power for a channel and the average burnup of the eight neighbouring channels.

When a channel was refuelled in the simulation, one of its neighbours was refuelled only after the core burnup had increased by at least 15 FPD to minimize the local effect.

To keep a uniform power distribution throughout the simulation, the core was divided radially into seven zones (Fig. 3). At each time step, the ratio of each zonal power to the corresponding time-averaged

zonal power was calculated. Channels were selected for refuelling in the subsequent timestep in an attempt to obtain ratio values of unity for each zone. The fuelling rate in a zone with a ratio of less than 1 was increased, and decreased when the ratio was greater than 1.

### 3.3 Simulation Results

Fig. 37 shows the excess reactivity plotted against core burnup. The excess reactivity changes linearly with burnup for each step because of uniform refuelling.

The equilibrium fuelling rate, averaged over 70 FPD was 2.821 channels per FPD. This is an adjusted value to allow for the difference in excess reactivity at the start and end of the simulation. An excess reactivity decrease of 0.417 milli-k per FPD in the absence of fuelling was assumed.

The average discharge irradiations for outer and inner core bundles were 1.506 and 1.775 n/kb respectively. These are within 1/2 percent of the values obtained from the time-averaged calculation.

Maximum bundle and channel powers were 874 kW and 7100 kW respectively. The maximum channel overpower (12.5%) occurred in the outer core at channel A-14 (see Table 14).

The above data are summarized in Table 15.

An example of fuelling is given in Fig. 39 which shows the channels chosen for fuelling in the interval 30 to 40 FPD. Each selected channel is marked with a 'X' and the age and power of the eight neighbouring channels at 30 FPD have been recorded. The complete fuelling history is contained in Appendix C.

Zonal overpowers, overall power tilts and the fuelling history by zones are recorded in Table 16. The maximum zonal overpower was 6 percent and occurred in zone 3 at 20 FPD. The top to bottom power tilt at this time was 3.24 percent. No channels were fuelled in zone 3 in the next burnup interval and the zonal overpower decreased to -4.4 percent at the next flux calculation.

Note that the simulation was somewhat short to reliably estimate the maximum powers and the fuelling rate to be expected during equilibrium operation. The simulation should be continued to about 150 FPD.

### 3.4 Analysis of Simulation Results

The following is an attempt to identify the cause or causes of the maximum channel power and overpower which result at 60 FPD. First note that:

- (i) the maximum channel power was 7091 kW occurring at 0-8 in the adjusted region.
- (ii) the maximum channel overpower was 10.75 percent occurring at 0-7 also in the adjusted region. 0-7 was refuelled at 56 FPD.
- (iii) channel 0-19 is almost symmetrically opposite to 0-7 and both channels have similar time-averaged powers (6380 and 6369 kW). 0-19 was refuelled at 57 FPD but the overpower at 60 FPD was only 1.5 percent.

The age and power history of the channels in the section of the core containing 0-7 were compared with the history of the channels neighbouring 0-19 on the other side of the core. These two sections

are defined in Fig. 40 and each contain 25 channels. The Local Average Age (LAA) and Local Average Power (LAP) about 0-7 and 0-19 have been calculated at 60 FPD and also at 50 and 40 FPD. These values and other relevant data are recorded in Table 17. Note that while the age and LAA at 60 FPD are similar,  $LAP(0-7)_{60\text{ FPD}}$  is considerably greater than  $LAP(0-19)_{60\text{ FPD}}$ . This explains the high power at 0-7 at 60 FPD.

The reason for the high  $LAP(0-7)_{60\text{ FPD}}$  must now be decided. Relevant data are supplied in Table 18. The high value was caused by refuelling too many channels in the left half of the core in the energy interval 30 to 40 FPD.

A relatively large number of fresh bundles in the left half reach their plutonium peak 20 to 30 FPD after charging resulting in a large left to right power tilt. This reinforces the channel effect at 0-7 at 60 FPD.

During actual operation, the controllers would be filled differentially to remove the tilt and the high overpower at 0-7 would not occur. However, the fuelling engineer should attempt to keep the power distribution uniform to minimize stress on the control system.

#### 4. SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Estimates of fuel management data for the equilibrium operation of a specific CANDU reactor, have been obtained using the code FM DP. Results are given in Table 15.

The collapsing procedure has been studied and improved. It was found that the use of time-averaged collapsed parameters in instantaneous calculations and simulations with coarse mesh gives a large saving in computing costs compared to fine mesh costs, with very little loss in accuracy.

Further testing needs to be done to determine the accuracy of calculations with instantaneous collapsed parameters. These would be used only in simulations when start conditions are known and can be regenerated periodically, after a fine mesh calculation with current reactor conditions, to maintain a desired level of accuracy.

The accuracy of coarse mesh calculations may be further increased by storing compound collapsed parameters. When these are used, the incremental cross-sections are dependent upon the cell conditions for the perturbation calculation.

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TABLE 1 SUMMARY OF TIME-AVERAGED RESULTS FOR THE  
8 BUNDLE SHIFT FUELLING SCHEME

VERSION OF FMDP	JUN1776TST	SEP0176ALW
Fission Power (kW)	2854600	2854600
Thermal Power (kW)	2695600	2695600
Max. Channel Power (kW)	6484	6480
Max. Bundle Power (kW)	796	799
Excess Reactivity with Zone Controllers at 40% Fill milli-k	0.40	0.42
Average Discharge Irradiation n/kb inner core	1.78	1.78
outer core	1.50	1.50
Zonal Power <sup>+</sup>		
Zone 1		364594
2		366415
3		416916
4		402966
5		413710
6		364594
7		366415

+ See Fig. 3 for Zonal Boundaries.

TABLE 2 RESULTS OF INSTANTANEOUS CALCULATION (NRAN=6389)  
WITH FINE MESH

VERSION OF FMDP	JUN1776TST	DEC0176ALW
Number of Mesh Points	13984	13984
Excess Reactivity milli-k	2.17	3.61
Max. Channel Power (kW) and Location	7999 D-11	8268 D-12
Max. Bundle Power (kW) and Location	1017 D-12, No.7	1037 D-12, No.7



TABLE 3 DEGREE OF PERTURBATION OF THE INSTANTANEOUS  
CALCULATION (NRAN=6389) WITH FINE MESH FROM THE  
TIME-AVERAGED CALCULATION

	CHANNEL POWER RATIOS	BUNDLE POWER RATIOS
Average		
Whole Core	0.9963	0.9935
Outer Region		
Inner Region		
Std. Deviation	0.1331	0.1301
Maximum Ratio	1.25	1.289

TABLE 4 RESULTS OF INSTANTANEOUS CALCULATION (NRAN=6389)  
WITH VARIOUS COARSE MESH MODELS

CELL SIZE NUMBER OF MESH POINTS	1*1*1 7616	1*1*2 4352	1*1*4 2720	1*1*6 2176	2*2*2 1440
VERSION OF FMDP	JUN1776TST <sup>+</sup>	SEP0176ALW	DEC0176ALW	DEC0176ALW	DEC0176ALW
Excess Reactivity milli-k	2.22	3.61	3.56	3.42	3.44
Max. Channel Power (kW) and Location	8064 D-11	8270 D-12	8200 D-12	8081 D-12	8176 E-11
Max. Bundle Power (kW) and Location	1017 D-12, No.7	1038 D-12, No.7	1037 D-12, No.7	1008 D-12, No.7	1014 D-12, No.7
Channel Power at ‡ Location of Fine Mesh Maximum Value Percent Error	8064 0.81	8270 0.02	8200 -0.82	8081 -2.26	8129 -1.68
Bundle Power at ‡ Location of Fine Mesh Maximum Value Percent Error	1017 0.0	1038 0.10	1037 0.0	1008 -2.30	1014 -2.22

+ This version did not contain the CP Factor improvement.

‡ See Table 2.

TABLE 5 COMPARISON OF COARSE MESH INSTANTANEOUS RESULTS WITH THE FINE MESH ANSWER AS REFERENCE

	CHANNEL POWER RATIOS			BUNDLE POWER RATIOS			CELL FLUX RATIOS			
	AVERAGE	STD. DEV.	MAXIMUM	AVERAGE	STD. DEV.	MAXIMUM	AVERAGE	STD. DEV.	MAXIMUM	
<u>1*1*1 INSTAN</u> FINE MESH INSTAN	Whole Core	0.99985	0.01116	1.051	1.00893	0.03458	1.129	1.00883	0.03078	1.1154
	Outer	1.0008	0.00827	1.045						
	Inner	0.9987	0.01377	1.051						
<u>1*1*2 INSTAN</u> FINE MESH INSTAN	Whole Core	1.000666	0.004461	1.020	1.000892	0.0049	1.0236	1.00045	0.0048	1.0236
	Outer	1.000799	0.004691	1.020						
	Inner	1.000506	0.004161	1.0091						
<u>1*1*4 INSTAN</u> FINE MESH INSTAN	Whole Core	1.00211	0.0171	1.033	0.9925	0.01656	1.0612	0.99861	0.01649	1.0612
	Outer	1.0034	0.01328	1.033						
	Inner	1.000564	0.009261	1.0239						
<u>1*1*6 INSTAN</u> FINE MESH INSTAN	Whole Core	1.005054	0.02989	1.0747	1.00254	0.0293	1.1058	1.001445	0.02845	1.1058
	Outer	1.006417	0.03446	1.0747						
	Inner	1.00342	0.02314	1.0614						
<u>2*2*2 INSTAN</u> FINE MESH INSTAN	Whole Core	1.00269	0.0243	1.0666	1.00019	0.0240	1.0817	1.00145	0.0239	1.0817
	Outer	1.00447	0.02349	1.0666						
	Inner	0.9952	0.0243	1.0504						

TABLE 6    EXCESS REACTIVITY HISTORY

ENERGY CLOCK FPD	CELL SIZE NO. OF MESH POINTS	1*1*1 14336	1*1*4 5120	1*1*6 4096	2*2*2 2592
5		0.014 milli-k	0.05	0.03	-0.103
10		-0.349	-0.259	-0.234	
20		-0.795	-0.697	-0.619	
25		-0.87	-0.762	-0.696	
30		0.08	0.11	0.08	
40		0.31	0.30	0.30	
50		-0.186	-0.147	-0.109	
60		0.18	0.18	0.22	
70		0.29	0.28	0.26	

TABLE 7    MAXIMUM CHANNEL POWER HISTORY

ENERGY CLOCK FPD	CELL SIZE	1*1*1	1*1*4	1*1*6	2*2*2
5		6918 kW at E-14	6870 D-14	6850 D-14	7046 D-14
10		6944 E-14	6896 E-14	6857 E-14	
20		7100 E-14	7049 E-14	6967 E-14	
25		6900 N-5	6868 N-5	6843 N-5	
30		7034 E-14	6986 E-14	6943 E-14	
40		6932 N-4	6897 N-4	6825 N-4	
50		6948 F-15	6912 F-15	6869 F-15	
60		7091 O-8	7039 O-8	6986 O-8	
70		6902 F-17	6881 N-4	6858 E-16	

TABLE 8 MAXIMUM BUNDLE POWER HISTORY

CELL SIZE	1*1*1	1*1*4	1*1*6	2*2*2
ENERGY CLOCK FPD				
5	853 kW D-13, No.7	856 D-13, No.7	865 D-14, No.6	884 D-13, No.7
10	864 V-14, No.7	871 V-14, No.7	861 V-14, No.6	
20	867 Location not known <sup>+</sup>	867 D-15, No.7	858 D-13, No.7	
25	867 Location not known <sup>+</sup>	840 O-4, No.7	837 O-4, No.7	
30	862 D-15, No.7	866 D-15, No.7	854 D-15, No.7	
40	855 N-4, No.7	861 N-4, No.7	842 N-4, No.7	
50	826 D-11, No.7	829 D-11, No.7	828 D-11, No.7	
60	872 O-4, No.7	875 O-4, No.7	862 O-4, No.7	
70	860 N-4, No.7	868 N-4, No.7	852 N-4, No.7	

+ The bundle power data at this time step were lost.

TABLE 9 AVERAGE IRRADIATION OF DISCHARGED FUEL  
IN SELECTED BURNUP INTERVALS

BURNUP INTERVAL	CELL SIZE	AVERAGE IRRADIATION OF DISCHARGED FUEL IN BURNUP INTERVAL (n/kb)		
		1*1*1	1*1*4	1*1*6
5 to 10 FPD	Inner region	= 1.770	1.770	1.770
	Outer region	= 1.501	1.501	1.501
10 to 20 FPD		1.8107	1.8112	1.81145
		1.5108	1.5112	1.51146
50 to 60 FPD		1.7871	1.7886	1.7893
		1.5149	1.5163	1.5177
60 to 70 FPD		1.7427	1.7449	1.7454
		1.5024	1.5038	1.5052

TABLE 10 COMPARISON OF SIMULATION RESULTS WITH THE 14141 ANSWER AS REFERENCE

ENERGY CLOCK FPD	CHANNEL POWER RATIOS			BUNDLE POWER RATIOS			CELL FLUX RATIOS			BUNDLE IRRADIATION RATIOS		
	14141/14141	14146/14141	14144/14141	14144/14141	14146/14141	14144/14141	14144/14141	14146/14141	14144/14141	14146/14141	14144/14141	
5	AVERAGE	0.9999	0.9996	0.99021	0.99038	0.99021	0.99021	0.99038	1.0000	1.0000	1.0000	
	STD.DEV	0.0000	0.0000	0.0313	0.03677	0.0313	0.0313	0.03677	0.0000	0.0000	0.0000	
	MAX.	0.0000	0.0000	1.0549	1.08665	1.0549	1.0549	1.08665	0.99950	0.99950	0.99950	
10	AVERAGE	1.0000	1.0000	0.99037	0.99074	0.99037	0.99037	0.99074	0.99878	0.99878	0.99865	
	STD.DEV	0.0000	0.0000	0.03092	0.03148	0.03092	0.03100	0.03158	0.00930	0.00930	0.01097	
	MAX.	0.0000	0.0000	1.0574	1.06446	1.0574	1.05059	1.06592	1.05052	1.05052	1.08454	
20	AVERAGE	1.0000	1.0000	0.99157	0.9904	0.99157	0.99158	0.99041	0.99819	0.99819	0.99796	
	STD.DEV	0.0000	0.0000	0.03048	0.03230	0.03048	0.03065	0.03249	0.01207	0.01207	0.01341	
	MAX.	0.0000	0.0000	1.04638	1.0601	1.04638	1.0464	1.06170	1.04774	1.04774	1.0747	
25	AVERAGE	1.0000	1.0000	0.99087		0.99087	0.99089		0.99772	0.99772	0.99750	
	STD.DEV	0.0000	0.0000	0.03034		0.03034	0.03056		0.01421	0.01421	0.01497	
	MAX.	0.0000	0.0000	1.04082		1.04082	1.048		1.04719	1.04719	1.06592	
30	AVERAGE	1.0000	1.0000	0.99087		0.99087	0.99089		0.99731	0.99731	0.99711	
	STD.DEV	0.0000	0.0000	0.03034		0.03034	0.03056		0.01602	0.01602	0.01674	
	MAX.	0.0000	0.0000	1.04082		1.04082	1.048		1.04732	1.04732	1.06745	
40	AVERAGE	1.0000	1.0000	0.99087		0.99087	0.99089		0.99697	0.99697	0.99667	
	STD.DEV	0.0000	0.0000	0.03034		0.03034	0.03056		0.01724	0.01724	0.01795	
	MAX.	0.0000	0.0000	1.04082		1.04082	1.048		1.04589	1.04589	1.0744	
50	AVERAGE	1.0000	1.0000	0.99087		0.99087	0.99089		0.99666	0.99666	0.99631	
	STD.DEV	0.0000	0.0000	0.03034		0.03034	0.03056		0.01835	0.01835	0.01906	
	MAX.	0.0000	0.0000	1.04082		1.04082	1.048		1.04559	1.04559	1.06238	
60	AVERAGE	1.0000	1.0000	0.99087		0.99087	0.99089		0.99666	0.99666	0.99631	
	STD.DEV	0.0000	0.0000	0.03034		0.03034	0.03056		0.01835	0.01835	0.01906	
	MAX.	0.0000	0.0000	1.04082		1.04082	1.048		1.04559	1.04559	1.06238	
70	AVERAGE	1.0000	1.0000	0.99087		0.99087	0.99089		0.99666	0.99666	0.99631	
	STD.DEV	0.0000	0.0000	0.03034		0.03034	0.03056		0.01835	0.01835	0.01906	
	MAX.	0.0000	0.0000	1.04082		1.04082	1.048		1.04559	1.04559	1.06238	

\* ANALYZE NOT DONE FOR 14146 CASE AT THIS BURNUP



TABLE III BREAKDOWN OF SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS FOR COLLAPSE PROCEDURE AND INSTANTANEOUS CALCULATION WITH HALF CORE GEOMETRIES

FMOP COMPUTATION (FOR VERSION DECO176)								
CELL SIZE	NO. OF MESH POINTS	MAX. CM REQUIRED	MAX. ECS REQUIRED	GENERATION OF COARSE MESH CROSS-SECTIONS IN PREPARATION FOR COLLAPSING	COLLAPSING PROCEDURE	INSTANTANEOUS CALCULATION		
						READ DATA FROM MASS STORAGE GENERATE RANDOM DISTRIBUTION OF IRRADIATION COMPUTE CROSS SECTIONS FOR EACH MESH POINT	ITERATIVE FLUX CALCULATION 0.0776 m.l./sec./liter / mesh point. 110 iterations	CALCULATION OF POWER DISTRIBUTION WRITE DATA TO MASS STORAGE
FINE MESH	13984	214000B	561363B WITH OVERFLOW TO SCRATCH FILE	—	—	175000B 64000 69 7.8 35.	132000B 46080 119.4 0 47.	14000B 51200 1.74 13 3.6
1*1*1	7616	NOT KNOWN	NOT KNOWN	154000B 55296 15. 4. 7.5	120000B 40960 14. 3. 5.8	140000B 49152 45 6.7 20.	127000B 44544 65 0. 25.	135000B 47616 1.5 10. 2.7
1*1*2	4352	150000B	253123B	144000B 51200 13.4 2. 6.0	104000B 34816 12. 3. 4.8	140000B 49152 23. 6. 10.	122000B 41984 37.1 0. 14.	135000B 47616 3. 4. 2.0
1*1*4	2720	150000B	170123B	136000B 48128 12.3 2. 5.4	740000B 30720 12. 3. 4.6	135000B 47616 21. 3.8 9.2	122000B 41984 23.2 0. 9.8	135000B 47616 1.5 2. 1.0
1*1*6	2176	150000B	153323B	134000B 47104 12.3 2. 5.4	720000B 29696 12. 3. 4.6	135000B 47616 20. 2.5 8.5	120000B 41984 18.6 0. 7.0	135000B 47616 2. 1.5 1.0
2*2*2	1440	150000B	67247B	132000B 46080 11.1 2. 4.8	660000B 27648 12. 3. 4.6	135000B 47616 20. 3.4 8.7	102000B 33792 12.3 0. 4.3	110000B 47616 1.5 2.0 1.0

KEY

MEAN CM	IN OCTAL
MEAN CM	IN DECIMAL
CP TIME	IN SECONDS
IO TIME	IN SECONDS
COST IN	
	8

READ DATA (~580B/SEC) FROM SEQUENTIAL FILE TO RANDOM ACCESS MASS STORAGE	WRITE DATA (~380B/SEC) FROM MASS STORAGE TO TAPE
102000B 33792 40. 8. 9.3	102000B 33792 40 2 7.2

TABLE 12 BREAKDOWN OF SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS FOR COLLAPSING PROCEDURE AND SIMULATION WITH FULL CORE

				FMDP COMPUTATION (FOR VERSION DEC0176)						
				GENERATION OF COARSE MESH CROSS-SECTIONS IN PREPARATION FOR COLLAPSING	COLLAPSING PROCEDURE	SIMULATION TIME STEP				
CELL SIZE	NO. OF MESH POINTS	MAX. CM REQUIRED	MAX ECS REQUIRED			READ DATA FROM MASS STORAGE. BURN FOR 10FPD WITH REFUELLING OF 27 CHANNELS	COMPUTE CROSS-SECTIONS FOR EACH MESH POINT AS FUNCTION OF IRRADIATION	ITERATIVE FLUX CALCULATION 0.0776 millisecc/liter / mesh point 110 iterations	CALCULATION OF POWER DISTRIBUTION WRITE DATA TO MASS STORAGE FOR RESTART	
FINE MESH	27360	>32000B	NOT KNOWN	—	—	↑	270000B 94208 70. 9.	250000B 86016 233.5 0.	270000B 94208 1.7 30.	16.
1*1*1	14336	266000B	567326B WITH OVERFLOW TO SCRATCH FILE	230000B 77824 28.3 15. 21.	140000B 49152 20. 10. 10.	226000B (WITH NO FRESH BUNDLES IN POOL) 76800 1.7 15. 6.4	230000B 77824 50. 6. 31.	214000B 71680 122.4 0. 64.	236000B 80896 1.6 23. 8.	
1*1*4	5120	266000B	316000B	164000B 59392 30. 9. 16.	104000B 34816 15. 7. 6.5		164000B 59392 41. 4. 20.	150000B 53248 43.7 0. 19.	174000B 63488 1.3 4.5 2.	
1*1*6	4096	266000B	311326B	164000B 59392 28. 11. 16.	100000B 32768 15. 7. 6.3		164000B 59392 41. 4. 20.	150000B 53248 35.0 0. 15.	174000B 63488 1.3 3.8 1.7	
2*2*2	2592	266000B	143132B	155000B 55808 25.3 11. 14.	72000B 29696 15. 7. 6.2	↓	155000B 55808 33. 3. 15.	112000B 37888 22.1 0. 10.	174000B 63488 1.3 4. 1.7	

KEY

MEAN CM IN OCTAL
MEAN CM IN DECIMAL
CP TIME IN SECONDS
IO TIME IN SECONDS
COST IN \$

READ DATA FROM SEQUENTIAL FILE TO MASS STORAGE (~ 850 BLOCKS)	WRITE DATA FROM MASS STORAGE TO SEQUENTIAL FILE (~ 850 BLOCKS)
102000B 33792 80. 20. 20.	102000B 33792 80. 4. 14.

TABLE 13 COMPARISON OF COMPUTING COSTS

CELL SIZE (1/2 Core)	COMPUTING COSTS <sup>+</sup> \$		
FINE MESH	TOTAL FOR 1 READ TAPE 1 COLLAPSING PROCEDURE 1 INSTANTANEOUS CALC. 1 RITE TAPE	TOTAL FOR 10 READ TAPES 1 COLLAPSING PROCEDURE 10 INSTANTANEOUS CALCS. 10 RITE TAPES	
	102	1020	
	1*1*1	77.5	655
	1*1*2	53.3	436
	1*1*4	45.5	365
	1*1*6	43.0	340
	2*2*2	39.9	314
CELL SIZE (FULL CORE)	TOTAL FOR 1 READ TAPE 1 COLLAPSING PROCEDURE 1 SIMULATION TIME STEP (10 FPD WITH REFUELLING) 1 WRITE TO TAPE	TOTAL FOR 1 READ TAPE 1 COLLAPSING PROCEDURE 10 SIMULATION TIME STEPS 1 WRITE TO TAPE	
	252	2214	
	FINE MESH	166	1075
	1*1*1	104	531
	1*1*4	99	483
	1*1*6	81	322
	2*2*2		

+ Calculated from TABLES 11 and 12.

TABLE 14    MAXIMUM CHANNEL AND BUNDLE POWERS OBTAINED DURING SIMULATION

ENERGY CLOCK FPD	MAXIMUM CHANNEL POWER (kW) AND LOCATION	MAXIMUM BUNDLE POWER (kW) AND LOCATION	MAXIMUM CHANNEL OVERPOWER (%) AND LOCATION
0	6865 M-5	832	8.48 M-1
5	6918 E-14	853 D-13, No. 7	9.10 E-14
10	6944 E-14	864 V-14, No. 7	9.50 E-14
20	- 7100 E-14	867 LOCATION NOT KNOWN <sup>+</sup>	12.5 A-14
25	6900 N-5	867 LOCATION NOT KNOWN <sup>+</sup>	9.50 N-1
30	7034 E-14	862 D-15, No. 7	10.92 E-14
40	6932 N-4	855 N-4, No. 7	6.57 N-1
50	6948 F-15	826 D-11, No. 7	11.00 E-22
60	7091 O-8	872 O-4, No. 7	10.75 O-7
70	6902 F-17	860 N-4, No. 7	9.40 A-16

+ The bundle power data at this time step were lost.

TABLE 15    SUMMARY OF EQUILIBRIUM FUEL MANAGEMENT DATA  
OBTAINED WITH NORMAL MESH MODEL

Fission Power (kW)		2854600
Thermal Power (kW)		2695600
Maximum Channel Power (kW)		7100
Maximum Bundle Power (kW)		874
Average Maximum Channel Power (kW)		6963
Average Maximum Bundle Power (kW)		856
Feed Rate (Bundles/Day)	Whole Core	22.569
	Inner Region	10.237
	Outer Region	12.332
Average Exit Irradiation	Whole Core	1.628
	Inner Region	1.775
	Outer Region	1.506



TABLE 17    COMPARISON OF CORE CONDITIONS ABOUT CHANNELS 0-7 AND 0-19 IN BURNUP INTERVAL 40 → 60 FPD

ENERGY CLOCK FPD	CHANNEL 0-7				CHANNEL 0-19			
	AGE	POWER kW	LAA <sup>+</sup> <sub>8CHNLS</sub>	LAP <sup>‡</sup> <sub>8CHNLS</sub> kW	AGE	POWER kW	LAA <sub>8CHNLS</sub>	LAP <sub>8CHNLS</sub> kW
40	0.925	6295	0.535	6698	0.918	6151	0.531	6530
50	0.965	5858	0.578	6280	0.958	6022	0.564	6441
60	0.343	7071	0.618	6883	0.336	6462	0.607	6282

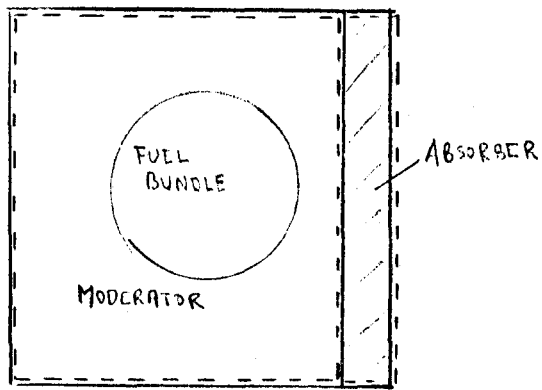
+ LAA<sub>8CHNLS</sub> (0-7) is the average age of the 8 channels next to 0-7 (see Reference 5)

‡ LAP<sub>8CHNLS</sub> (0-7) is the average power of the 8 channels next to 0-7

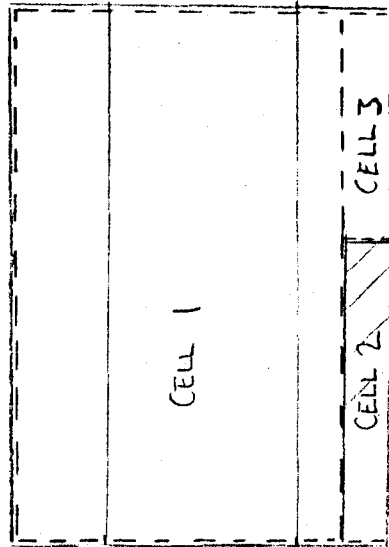
TABLE 18 LEFT TO RIGHT POWER TILT AND FUELLING HISTORY  
IN BURNUP INTERVAL 30 → 60 FPD

ENERGY CLOCK FPD	LEFT TO RIGHT POWER TILT PERCENT	NUMBER OF CHANNELS FUELLED IN NEXT BURNUP INTERVAL
30	-2.1	Left 17 Right 11
40	0.91	Left 12 Right 18
50	-1.64	Left 14 Right 14
60	2.64	





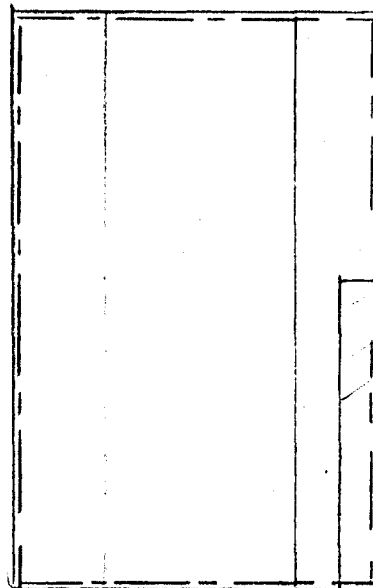
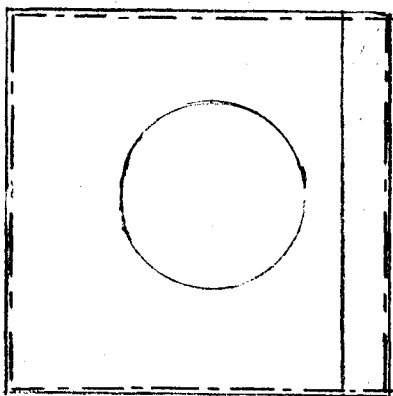
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----- FINE MESH CELL BOUNDARIES

FIG. 1a FINE MESH CELL BOUNDARIES



----- NORMAL MESH CELL BOUNDARIES

FIG. 1b NORMAL MESH CELL BOUNDARIES

## X-DIRECTION

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
0.0	22.85	28.575	28.575	28.575	28.575	28.575	28.575	24.13	8.89	9.843	28.575
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	
9.843	8.89	24.13	24.13	8.89	24.13	24.13	8.89	9.843	14.288	0.0	

## Y-DIRECTION

1	2										31	32	
0.0	22.85	← 28 x 28.575 →										22.85	0.0

## Z-DIRECTION

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
0.0	47.625	50.8	49.53	49.53	15.24	8.89	35.56	35.56	8.89	35.56	35.56
13	14	15	16	17	18	19					
8.89	15.24	49.53	49.53	50.8	47.625	0.0					

FIG. 2 HALF CORE FINE MESH SPACINGS (REF. 4)

DATE 23/11/76 TIME 22:02:36 CURRENT MEMORY ADDRESS USER NAME = C:\D:\E\EX531

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RUN TIME 223.576 ID TIME 138.178

CHANNEL POWERS IN KILOWATTS  
 TOTAL REACTOR POWER IS 2695.60 MEGAWATTS  
 TOTAL FISSION POWER IS 2854.60 MEGAWATTS  
 MAXIMUM CHANNEL POWER IS 6479.96 KILOWATTS  
 MAXIMUM BUNDLE POWER IS 798.76 KILOWATTS

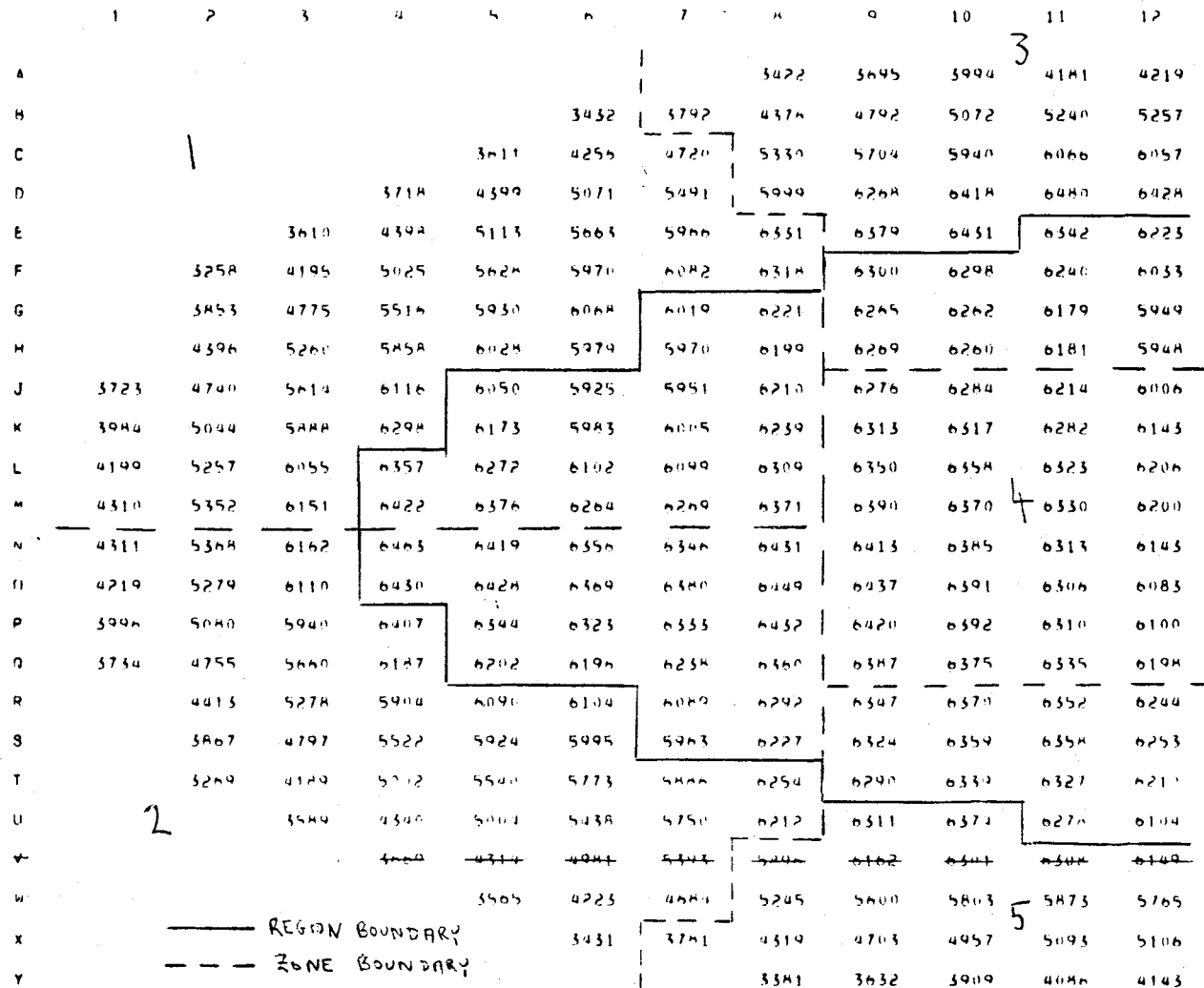


FIG. 3 TIME-AVERAGED CHANNEL POWER DISTRIBUTION

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CHANNEL	BUNDLE NO.												
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
D-12	65.0	255.5	458.7	599.9	685.1	778.9	796.8	779.7	682.4	586.3	436.8	241.2	61.8
M-11	70.6	264.8	463.3	602.5	641.7	707.9	708.3	710.5	652.2	633.7	505.8	292.3	76.0
Q-1	25.7	116.9	232.2	339.0	412.0	467.5	479.3	472.2	425.1	357.6	251.1	127.7	28.0
E-11	68.7	268.0	474.4	616.2	664.0	747.2	750.5	750.1	661.2	594.4	439.7	243.9	63.5
N-12	71.2	265.6	457.8	571.8	604.2	698.6	698.2	699.5	611.2	599.0	498.5	291.4	76.0
L-1	34.1	145.6	278.4	390.3	462.2	521.8	538.4	529.6	471.1	390.3	268.6	137.2	32.0
A-11	34.5	146.8	279.9	389.9	461.7	523.7	537.1	524.8	460.9	382.8	267.8	138.6	32.5
T-2	19.3	97.6	202.3	297.8	361.7	412.7	425.2	417.6	372.7	313.9	219.5	107.2	21.2

FIG. 4 REFERENCE (TIME-AVERAGED) BUNDLE POWERS FOR 8 SPECIFIC CHANNELS

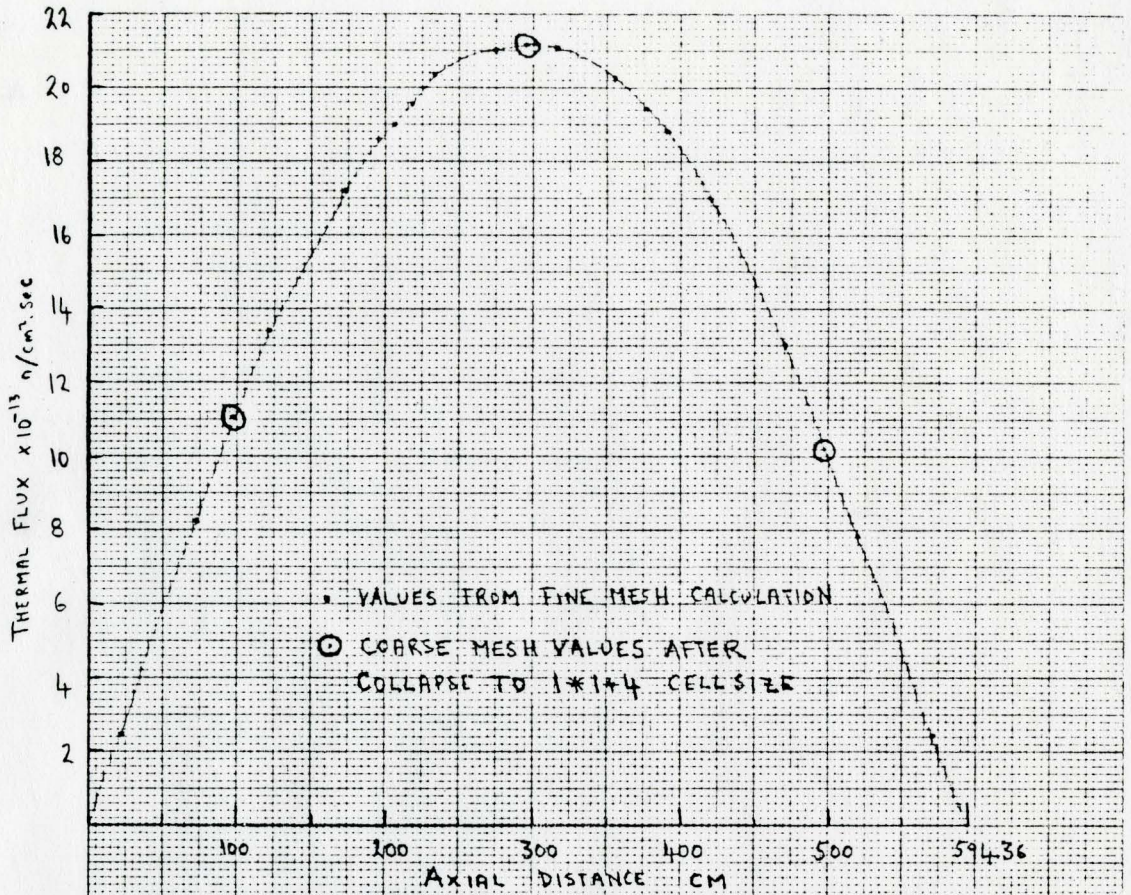


FIG. 5a REFERENCE THERMAL FLUX DISTRIBUTION ALONG CHANNEL D-4

1237	5595	10912	15369	18252	20588	21101	20574	18073	15029	10496	5318	161	$\times 10^{-10} \text{ n/cm}^2\text{·sec}$
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FIG. 5b CELL FLUX DISTRIBUTION ALONG D-4 WHICH RESULTS AFTER VOLUME WEIGHT AVERAGING THE FINE MESH DISTRIBUTION OVER THE LATTICE CELL ARRAY

5540	11080	11080	11080	15485	19890	19890	19890	15060	10190	10190	10190	5085	$\times 10^{-10} \text{ n/cm}^2\text{·sec}$
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FIG. 5c CELL FLUX DISTRIBUTION ALONG D-4 WHICH RESULTS AFTER VOLUME WEIGHT AVERAGING THE COARSE MESH DISTRIBUTION OVER THE LATTICE CELL ARRAY

0.720	0.505	0.985	1.387	1.179	1.035	1.061	1.034	1.200	1.475	1.027	0.523	0.220
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FIG. 5d CP FACTOR DISTRIBUTION FOR CHANNEL D-4

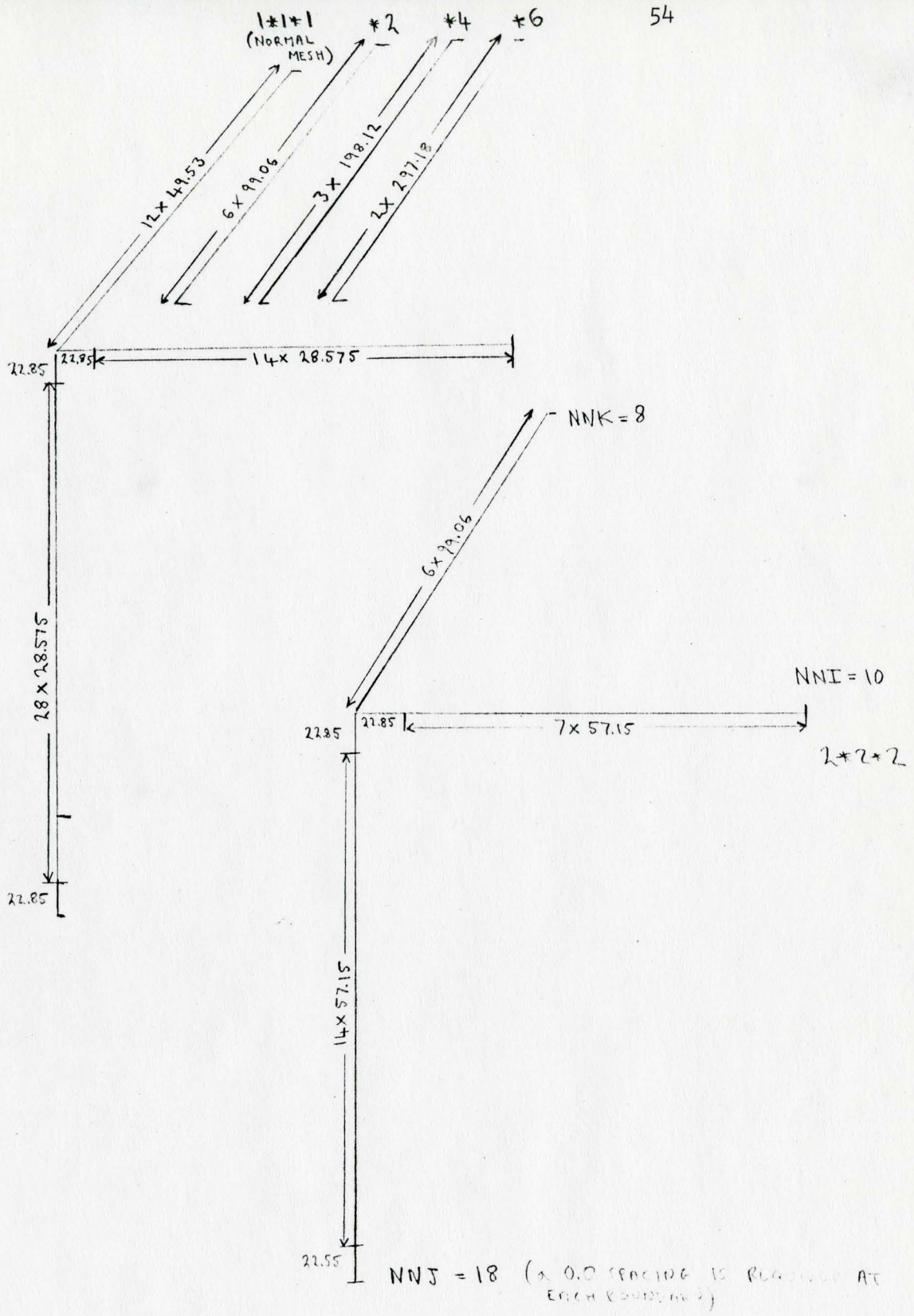


FIG. 6 HALF CORE COARSE MESH SPACINGS

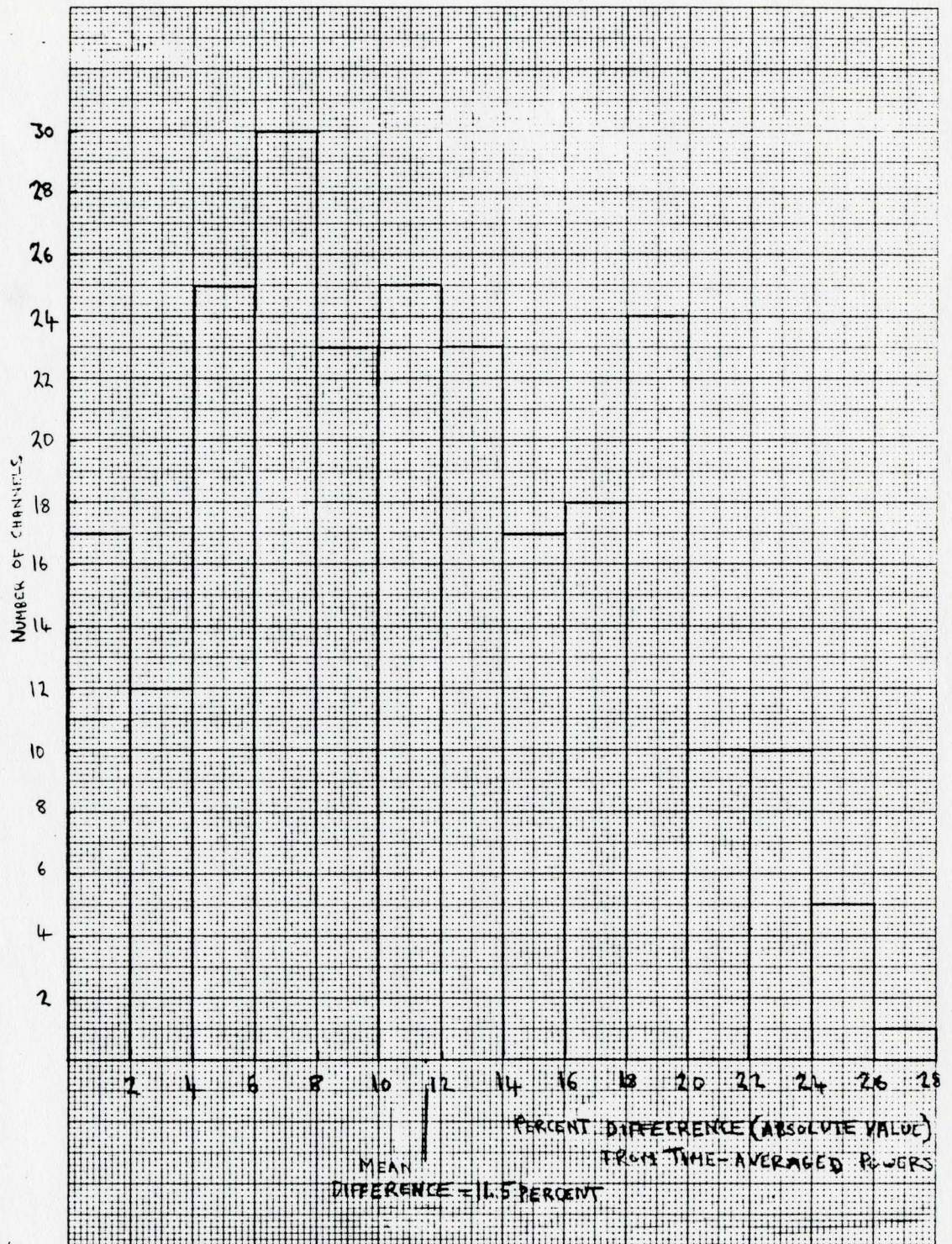


FIG. 7 COMPARISON OF THE CHANNEL POWERS OBTAINED FROM THE FINE MESH INSTANTANEOUS CALCULATION (N<sub>RAN</sub>=6389) WITH THE TIME-AVERAGED VALUES

		BUNDLE NUMBER												
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
FINE MESH	$\Sigma P$	80.6	318.8	582.0	768.8	883.5	1012.6	1037.5	1012.4	878.5	751.7	557.5	305.3	77.5
	↓ 8268													
1*1*6 WITHOUT CP FACTORS	7796	322.9 300	650.3 104	657.1 12.9	659.3 -14.2	659.0 -25.4	657.7 -35.0	657.4 -36.6	657.8 -35.0	656.6 -25.3	646.0 -14.1	632.7 13.5	626.5 105	312.7 303
	8082	80.4 -0.25	315.3 -1.10	571.0 -1.89	752.1 -2.30	861.6 -2.48	982.2 -3.00	1007.5 -2.89	987.7 -2.44	861.4 -1.95	737.0 -1.955	547.0 -1.88	301.2 -1.34	76.9 -0.77

CHANNEL D-12

KEY

BUNDLE POWER PERCENT ERROR
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FIG. 8 EFFECT OF THE CP FACTORS ON THE ACCURACY OF THE  
1\*1\*6 INSTANTANEOUS CALCULATION WITH NRAN=6389



		BUNDLE NUMBER												
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
FINE MESH	$\Sigma P$ ↓ 7997	75.6	300.4	554.1	743.1	861.3	992.0	1017.1	991.8	854.8	722.6	527.2	285.1	71.9
1*1*1	8052 0.69	81.2 7.41	298.7 -0.57	557.7 0.65	748.4 0.71	884.4 2.68	983.7 -0.84	1017.1 0.0	983.0 -0.89	878.2 2.74	727.6 0.69	530.6 0.64	283.5 -0.56	77.4 7.65

CHANNEL D-12

FINE MESH	5803	67.4	248.0	425.9	546.2	584.1	640.3	638.7	640.3	596.5	584.4	476.1	282.0	73.4
1*1*1	5797 -0.10	71.7 6.38	244.7 -1.33	424.9 -0.23	544.9 -0.24	599.5 2.64	621.0 -3.01	640.7 0.31	621.7 -2.90	612.0 2.30	583.3 -0.19	475.4 -0.15	278.5 -1.24	78.2 6.54

CHANNEL M-11

FINE MESH	3285	24.0	107.6	209.8	301.8	364.7	406.6	412.0	403.7	367.1	314.8	228.0	118.9	26.1
1*1*1	3270 -0.46	26.1 8.75	105.4 -2.04	208.4 -0.67	299.7 -0.69	367.9 0.88	400.3 -1.55	408.0 -0.98	398.3 -1.34	370.6 0.95	313.4 -0.44	227.1 -0.39	116.9 -1.68	28.3 8.43

CHANNEL Q-1

FIG. 9 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS GENERATED BY THE INSTANTANEOUS CALCULATION (NRAN=6389) WITH FINE MESH AND NORMAL MESH MODEL WITHOUT CP FACTORS

CHANNEL D-12

BUNDLE NUMBER  
 8768  
 FINE MESH

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	80.6	318.8	582.0	769.8	883.5	1017.6	1037.5	1012.4	878.5	751.7	557.5	305.3	77.5

CHANNEL M-11

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
6445	75.2	277.2	475.1	604.9	641.7	701.1	698.7	701.4	656.4	648.9	533.2	316.8	82.4

1*1*2	8370	80.9	320.6	582.2	764.6	883.1	1010.3	1038.0	1010.8	878.2	752.2	554.0	307.3	78.1
	0.02	0.37	0.56	0.83	-0.02	-0.05	-0.13	0.05	-0.16	-0.23	0.07	0.17	0.55	0.77
1*1*4	8200	80.3	314.9	570.2	751.1	878.7	1013.1	1036.9	1014.1	876.7	738.0	547.9	301.6	77.0
	-0.01	-0.37	-1.12	-2.0	-3.4	-5.5	0.05	-0.06	0.17	-0.1	-0.21	-0.34	-1.2	-0.04
1*1*6	8082	80.4	315.3	571.0	751.1	861.6	982.2	1007.5	987.7	861.4	737.0	547.0	301.2	76.9
	-0.05	-1.00	-1.83	-2.30	-2.48	-3.0	-2.87	-1.88	-1.44	-1.05	-0.85	-1.08	-1.34	-0.77
2*2*2	8109	81.0	317.6	574.0	755.5	867.7	991.2	1014.6	992.4	865.2	740.0	549.6	301.7	77.3
	-1.68	-0.38	-1.37	-1.85	-1.79	-1.15	-2.1	-2.2	1.37	-1.5	-1.56	-1.4	-0.85	-0.26

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
6381	75.1	276.2	475.2	601.1	636.2	698.0	694.7	694.2	652.4	644.3	533.3	315.3	82.2
	-0.5	0.13	0.01	-0.63	-0.85	-0.44	-0.57	-0.31	-0.41	-0.71	0.04	-0.47	-0.14
6391	73.7	272.0	448.7	604.0	638.8	698.6	698.9	701.0	656.2	651.3	537.3	310.7	80.6
	-0.5	-2.0	-1.87	-1.35	-0.45	-0.34	0.03	-0.04	-0.03	0.37	-1.1	-1.92	-1.18
6407	73.6	270.8	466.7	601.4	644.3	714.4	715.4	718.1	683.5	645.9	524.9	308.2	79.9
	0.12	-1.3	-1.77	-0.98	0.71	1.00	2.31	2.38	1.82	-0.46	-1.33	-2.11	-0.93
6574	76.0	286.0	484.2	616.2	663.9	713.8	714.8	717.7	674.6	641.1	546.3	328.0	85.1
	2.45	3.7	3.9	1.9	1.97	1.9	2.3	2.33	2.77	3.11	2.44	3.5	2.8

CHANNEL Q-1

BUNDLE NUMBER  
 3090  
 FINE MESH

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	27.7	101.4	192.5	283.8	342.6	381.7	386.9	379.4	345.5	296.7	215.2	112.4	24.7

1*1*2	3091	27.6	100.9	198.0	283.6	342.3	382.4	387.2	380.4	345.1	296.6	215.7	111.9	24.6
	0.03	-0.44	-0.47	0.35	-0.07	-0.09	0.18	0.08	0.16	-0.05	0.03	0.23	-0.44	-0.40
1*1*4	3114	27.3	100.1	196.4	284.6	341.4	382.6	391.4	386.1	351.5	307.6	216.9	111.8	24.3
	0.08	-1.76	-0.21	-0.52	0.18	-0.35	0.15	1.16	1.74	1.93	2.16	0.71	-0.53	-1.6
1*1*6	3137	27.3	100.2	196.7	285.0	347.2	392.1	397.9	389.6	353.7	301.3	215.4	111.1	24.1
	1.49	-1.76	-0.44	0.47	1.34	2.72	2.84	2.84	1.98	2.37	1.55	0.003	-1.16	-2.43
2*2*2	3165	27.6	101.6	196.2	282.6	342.3	385.0	393.3	387.5	352.0	303.8	218.0	113.4	24.7
	1.11	-0.44	0.20	-0.61	-0.42	-0.01	0.66	1.65	2.03	2.44	2.37	1.3	0.81	0.0

FIG. 10. COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS GENERATED BY THE INSTANTANEOUS CALCULATION (NRAN = 6389) WITH FINE MESH AND VARIOUS COARSE MESH GEOMETRIES

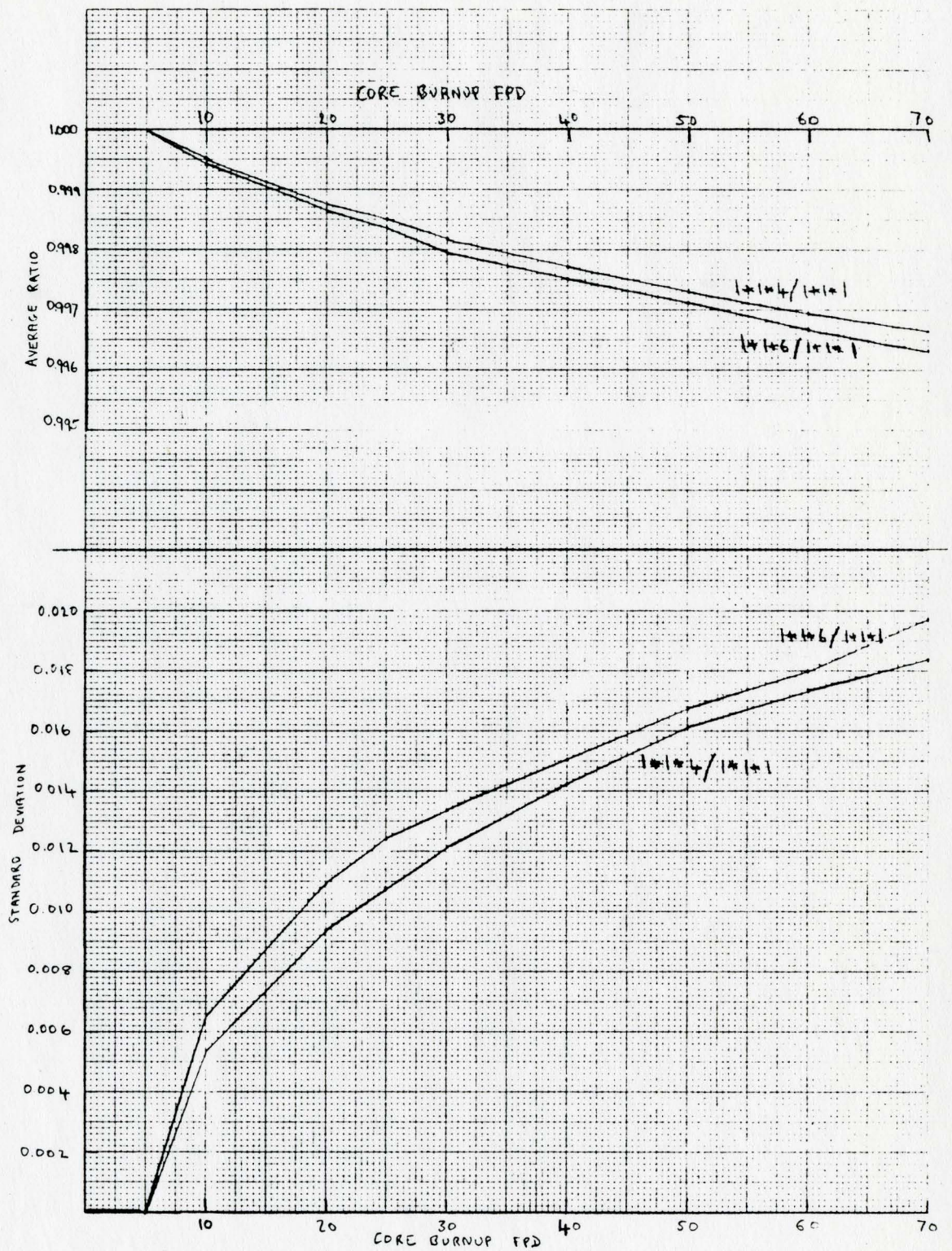


FIG. 11 COMPARISON OF IRRADIATION DISTRIBUTIONS WITH CASE  $1*1*1$  AS REFERENCE

BUNDLE NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
680	74.1	165.5	473.7	631.3	718.0	767.9	796.7	767.7	718.2	641.9	488.8	267.9	73.9
	665	69.2	265.2	475.3	637.8	698.6	786.9	790.1	789.6	695.4	488.8	268.1	68.4
	-3.2	-6.6	1	0.34	1.03	-2.7	2.5	-0.5	2.8	-3.2	-0.86	-1.02	0.1
	681	68.6	282.7	470.9	671.8	791.3	796.3	788.0	788.0	696.7	488.3	270.6	69.0
	0.01	-7.4	-1.01	-0.59	0.09	-2.3	3.7	-0.07	2.64	3.0	0.06	-0.1	1.01

FIG. 13 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL E-14 AT 70FPD

BUNDLE NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*14	71.9	280	509.5	683.3	727.3	815.6	819.2	818.6	795.1	624.2	473.2	264.7	68.2
	-1.9	1.8	-3.7	-1	-4.2	2.0	-0.6	3.4	-3.6	-3.1	-1.7	0.48	-5.3
1*16	6833	733	285.4	514.3	616.5	733.9	836.0	804.6	748.8	677.2	472.4	264.2	68.1
	-110	-3	0.78	1.84	0.9	4.5	-2.4	-1.6	-7.6	-3.3	-1.9	2.8	-6.1
2*12	6939	71.1	277	510.6	688.7	734.5	824.4	823.7	714.3	649.6	488.7	268.6	69.2
	-5.9	0.72	-1.2	-2.5	-3.3	3.1	-0.1	3.2	-2.4	0.82	1.4	2.2	-4.5

FIG. 12 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL E-14 AT 5FPD

ENERGY CLOCK FPD	5	10	20	25	30	40	50	60	70
1*14	0.363	0.401	0.476	0.514	0.548	0.623	0.69	0.762	0.828

1*14	0.363	0.400	0.475	0.513	0.547	0.621	0.689	0.761	0.827
1*16	0.363	0.400	0.475	0.512	0.546	0.620	0.688	0.759	0.826
2*12	0.363								

FIG. 15 COMPARISON OF CHANNEL E-14 AVERAGE BUNDLE IRRADIATION THROUGHOUT SIMULATION

ENERGY CLOCK FPD	5	10	20	25	30	40	50	60	70
1*14	6918	6944	7100	6299	7034	6417	6902	6320	6680

1*14	6861	6896	7049	6329	6987	6435	6878	6351	6665
	-0.92	-0.89	-0.21	0.48	-0.67	0.18	-0.35	0.47	-0.22
1*16	6833	6857	6967	6353	6943	6456	6846	6376	6681
	-1.13	-1.25	-1.87	0.86	-1.3	0.61	-0.8	0.9	0.11
2*12	6939								
	0.30								

FIG. 14 COMPARISON OF CHANNEL E-14 POWERS THROUGHOUT SIMULATION

Bundle Number →

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*1*1	74.9	283.1	494.9	600.2	624.7	679.2	703.3	672.8	631.1	585.6	446.0	263.5	74.9

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*1*4	757	288.6	498.9	605.7	612.7	703.6	703.1	704.3	610.3	578.0	462.0	264.7	70.0
	0.0	-5.3	1.94	0.81	-3.47	3.4	-0.03	4.48	-3.29	-1.30	-0.86	0.44	6.24
1*1*6	74.7	192.4	505.5	613.8	629.1	728.6	701.2	675.7	573.0	572.9	458.0	262.4	69.4
	-4	3.28	2.14	1.16	-0.88	7.27	0.53	-6.04	-2.17	-1.72	-0.42	-0.22	-7.04
2*2*2	74.3	283.5	494.9	581.3	601.2	645.6	692.1	690.3	603.1	578.7	443.3	265.5	70.2
	-20.1	0.14	-1.62	-1.82	-5.12	2.41	-1.59	9.60	-4.44	-1.01	-0.58	4.14	-6.27

FIG. 16 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL N-13 AT SFPP

Bundle Number →

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*1*1	78.8	281.7	488.6	587.2	621.0	664.8	691.1	663.5	616.4	562.0	451.1	260.0	75.3

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
6059	74.3	287.3	494.8	586.5	604.4	689.8	689.2	690.6	595.2	558.4	447.9	260.7	70.1
0.06	-5.71	1.99	1.33	1.58	2.47	1.16	-0.27	3.71	-3.44	0.64	-0.71	0.77	-0.49
6071	73.8	285.2	491.2	572.2	606.2	696.4	692.4	690.3	596.8	562.5	451.2	262.7	70.6
0.46	-6.24	1.24	0.53	0.85	2.38	4.35	0.14	3.73	-3.18	0.29	0.82	1.04	-0.24

FIG. 17 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL N-13 AT JDFPD

Bundle Number →

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*1*1	616.9	641.5	628.6	635.2	633.8	651.7	660.7	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*1*4	617.7	640.0	628.7	634.8	632.8	649.1	642.7	605.9	605.9	605.9	605.9	605.9	605.9
	0.0	-0.23	0.62	-0.06	-0.16	-0.40	-0.31	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26
1*1*6	617.4	638.7	627.7	633.4	632.2	647.5	640.9	607.1	607.1	607.1	607.1	607.1	607.1
	0.16	-0.64	-0.14	-0.28	-0.25	-0.64	-0.59	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.46
2*2*2	609.6	641.5	628.6	635.2	633.8	651.7	660.7	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3
	1.18	0.14	-1.82	-5.12	-1.59	9.60	-4.44	-1.01	-0.58	4.14	-6.27	0.46	0.46

FIG. 18 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL N-13 AT SFPP

Bundle Number →

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*1*1	616.9	641.5	628.6	635.2	633.8	651.7	660.7	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*1*4	617.7	640.0	628.7	634.8	632.8	649.1	642.7	605.9	605.9	605.9	605.9	605.9	605.9
	0.0	-0.23	0.62	-0.06	-0.16	-0.40	-0.31	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26
1*1*6	617.4	638.7	627.7	633.4	632.2	647.5	640.9	607.1	607.1	607.1	607.1	607.1	607.1
	0.16	-0.64	-0.14	-0.28	-0.25	-0.64	-0.59	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.46
2*2*2	609.6	641.5	628.6	635.2	633.8	651.7	660.7	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3
	1.18	0.14	-1.82	-5.12	-1.59	9.60	-4.44	-1.01	-0.58	4.14	-6.27	0.46	0.46

FIG. 19 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL N-13 AT JDFPD

Bundle Number →

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*1*1	616.9	641.5	628.6	635.2	633.8	651.7	660.7	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*1*4	617.7	640.0	628.7	634.8	632.8	649.1	642.7	605.9	605.9	605.9	605.9	605.9	605.9
	0.0	-0.23	0.62	-0.06	-0.16	-0.40	-0.31	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26	0.26
1*1*6	617.4	638.7	627.7	633.4	632.2	647.5	640.9	607.1	607.1	607.1	607.1	607.1	607.1
	0.16	-0.64	-0.14	-0.28	-0.25	-0.64	-0.59	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.46	0.46
2*2*2	609.6	641.5	628.6	635.2	633.8	651.7	660.7	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3	604.3
	1.18	0.14	-1.82	-5.12	-1.59	9.60	-4.44	-1.01	-0.58	4.14	-6.27	0.46	0.46

FIG. 20 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL N-13 AT JDFPD

FIG. 19 COMPARISON OF N-13 CHANNEL AVERAGE BUNDLE IRRADIATION THROUGHOUT SIMULATION

FIG. 18 COMPARISON OF N-13 CHANNEL POOL RS THROUGHOUT SIMULATION

FIG. 17 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL N-13 AT JDFPD

BUNDLE NUMBER

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
4433	38.2	1148.5	288.9	409.9	497.5	549.0	566.0	550.1	500.9	447.9	287.5	142.9	35.6

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
4421	35.6	150.5	287.2	404.9	446.0	553.2	571.1	560.7	495.6	433.8	285.1	142.9	33.1
	-48	135	0.6	13	-2.3	0.24	0.40	1.0	-1.06	0.41	-0.84	0.10	-7.3
4316	35.5	150.4	286.9	404.4	481.3	565.6	562.7	551.9	492.0	418.1	288.1	145.4	33.4
	-71	130	-0.69	-1.34	2.2	-0.82	-0.50	0.33	-1.78	0.05	0.24	1.15	-6.7

FIG. 21 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL L-1 AT 70FPD

BUNDLE NUMBER

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1414	37.2	146.1	282.6	392.3	465.9	504.3	515.2	499.9	453.2	367.1	254.5	129.9	33.4
4082													

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1414	34.4	147.5	281.8	392.3	453.7	504.6	514.7	511.5	452.0	367.9	254.5	131.1	30.7
	2.8	0.7	-0.28	0.0	-1.81	0.24	0.27	0.22	-0.65	0.21	0.0	0.12	0.1
1416	34.8	149.6	285.7	397.9	468.3	525.6	523.0	496.9	442.0	364.6	252.2	130.9	30.5
	-6.5	1.4	1.1	1.85	0.21	4.2	1.51	-0.6	-1.5	-0.68	-0.10	0.0	-8.7
24242	33.9	145.6	278.7	388.3	454.4	508	520.7	510.1	450.8	368.7	254.8	130.9	30.7
	-8.1	-0.24	1.58	-1.81	2.5	0.23	1.1	2.24	-0.31	0.43	0.12	0.77	-8.1

FIG. 20 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL L-1 AT 50FPD

ENERGY CLOCK FPD

	5	10	20	25	30	40	50	60	70
1414	4082	4176	4205	4267	4023	4175	3880	4075	4433

	5	10	20	25	30	40	50	60	70
1414	0.989	1.011	1.054	1.076	1.098	1.141	1.185	1.226	0.328

FIG. 22 COMPARISON OF CHANNEL L-1 POWERS THROUGHOUT SIMULATION

	5	10	20	25	30	40	50	60	70
1414	4082	4171	4191	4252	4031	4166	3897	4073	4421
	0.0	-0.13	-0.33	-0.35	0.2	-0.21	0.44	-0.35	0.27
1416	4101	4164	4190	4243	4034	4135	3919	4065	4316
	0.44	-0.29	-0.33	-0.56	0.27	-0.46	1.00	-0.24	-0.83
24242	4076								
	-0.15								

	5	10	20	25	30	40	50	60	70
1414	0.989	1.011	1.054	1.076	1.098	1.141	1.184	1.226	0.327
1416	0.989	1.011	1.054	1.076	1.098	1.141	1.184	1.226	0.327
24242	0.989								

FIG. 23 COMPARISON OF CHANNEL L-1 AVERAGE BUNDLE IRRADIATION THROUGHOUT SIMULATION

FIG. 2.3 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL A-14 AT 70FFD

BUNDLE NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
4414	383	149.3	292.2	416.3	509.8	547	582.1	564.1	506.6	412.8	290.7	148.5	38.1

4416	357	151.7	291.4	415.9	491.5	569.8	584.8	570.9	476.1	407.5	287.5	169.2	35.0
	-6.74	1.61	0.068	-0.096	-1.83	0.00	0.64	1.20	-2.05	-1.52	-1.1	0.47	-8.13
4420	356	151.3	291.6	416.8	492	588.2	580.3	563.8	474.0	412.6	291.1	151.1	35.5
	-7.85	1.34	-0.41	-0.36	-2.08	0.62	-0.31	-0.05	-2.47	-0.24	0.14	1.75	-6.82

FIG. 2.3 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL A-14 AT 70FFD

FIG. 2.4 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL A-14 AT 5FFD

BUNDLE NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
4414	39.1	154.1	304.1	430.6	511.2	562.1	576.7	555.9	486.7	404.4	284.1	145.3	37.2

4414	365	1565	3085	4286	4979	5625	5784	5645	4889	392.6	278.8	145.8	34.4
	-6.65	1.56	-0.00	-0.46	-2.6	0.25	0.24	1.55	-2.17	-2.92	-1.86	0.34	-7.53
4416	37.1	154.3	308.9	436.2	509.8	578.8	570.2	532.0	466.9	380.9	277.6	145.2	34.4
	-5.1	3.37	1.78	1.30	-0.27	2.77	-1.15	-4.12	-6.0	-2.34	-2.24	-0.07	-7.23
4420	36.7	157.5	308.1	436.5	510.2	571.3	541.9	575.1	499.1	412.6	291.3	150.0	35.4
	-6.14	2.21	1.32	1.32	-0.19	2.06	2.03	3.45	0.48	2.03	2.52	3.23	-4.84

FIG. 2.4 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL A-14 AT 5FFD

FIG. 2.6 COMPARISON OF A-14 CHANNEL THROUGHPUT SIMULATION

ENERGY GROUP	5	10	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	60	70
4414	0.279	0.304	0.354	0.380	0.402	0.451	0.495	0.544	0.588		

4414	0.279	0.304	0.353	0.379	0.401	0.450	0.494	0.543	0.588		
4416	0.279	0.304	0.353	0.378	0.401	0.449	0.494	0.542	0.586		
4420	0.279										

FIG. 2.6 COMPARISON OF A-14 CHANNEL THROUGHPUT SIMULATION

FIG. 2.7 COMPARISON OF A-14 CHANNEL THROUGHPUT SIMULATION

ENERGY GROUP	5	10	20	25	30	35	40	45	50	60	70
4414	4501	4528	4704	4728	4590	4115	4589	4269	4514		

4414	4467	4498	4666	4145	4561	4135	4570	4281	4496		
	-0.75	-0.66	-0.81	0.41	-0.63	0.49	-0.44	0.28	-0.40		
4416	4449	4470	4602	4166	4528	4155	4531	4281	4488		
	-1.18	-1.28	-2.17	0.82	-1.35	0.97	-1.26	0.28	-0.58		
4420	4584										
	1.84										

FIG. 2.7 COMPARISON OF A-14 CHANNEL THROUGHPUT SIMULATION

BUNDLE NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1414	237	1077	2222	314.1	375.6	404.6	416.3	401.1	364.6	296.0	204.2	99.0	21.3
3451													

BUNDLE NUMBER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1414	212	108.6	2218	315.9	366.7	409.3	420.7	417.7	344.6	233.5	202.7	99.5	14.9
3451													

1414	214	109.5	227.6	318.5	378.6	427.6	417.5	389.5	348.5	289.2	199.7	98.0	14.6
3451													
2472	214	108.5	222.8	317.0	372.0	417.9	426.9	416.9	370.1	304.0	209.9	103.0	20.6
3451													

FIG. 28 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL T-23 AT 50PP

1414	21.1	107.5	221.2	322.0	388.9	445.3	459.3	450.2	392.9	319.8	219.0	105.2	20.7
3451													
2472	21.3	107.4	220.9	321.6	389.2	446.2	450.3	431.8	384.8	324.3	227.1	106.7	20.9
3451													

FIG. 29 COMPARISON OF BUNDLE POWERS ALONG CHANNEL T-23 AT 70PP

ENERGY/CLOCK PPD	5	10	20	25	30	40	50	60	70
1414	3251	3137	2992	2726	2348	2240	2233	2169	2493

1414	3258	3145	2910	3130	3345	3247	3235	3180	3474
3451									
1414	3241	3155	3033	3134	3339	3262	3246	3195	3448
3451									
2472	3313								

FIG. 30 COMPARISON OF T-23 CHANNEL ALIQUOT BUNDLE IRRADIATION THROUGHOUT SIMULATION

ENERGY/CLOCK PPD	5	10	20	25	30	40	50	60	70
1414	1.112	1.129	1.162	1.178	0.788	0.325	0.360	0.395	0.430

1414	1.112	1.129	1.162	1.178	0.788	0.325	0.360	0.395	0.430
3451									
1414	1.112	1.129	1.162	1.178	0.788	0.325	0.361	0.396	0.430
3451									
2472	1.112								

FIG. 31 COMPARISON OF T-23 CHANNEL ALIQUOT BUNDLE IRRADIATION THROUGHOUT SIMULATION



BUNDLE NUMBER  
Channel View

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14141	0.4011	1.4171	1.335	1.0541	0.648	0.0886	0.09126	0.08754	0.08156	0.07183	0.05603	0.0297	0.00224
14144	0.4001	1.4486	1.3355	1.05946	0.6471	0.0897	0.09163	0.08743	0.07936	0.06534	0.02482	0.00712	-0.188
14146	0.4000	1.4170	1.3356	1.0546	0.648	0.08918	0.08860	0.08771	0.0803	0.06533	0.02488	0.00742	-0.188

CORE BURNUP = 10FPD

14141	0.581	1.4376	1.4084	1.1931	0.6217	0.4427	0.3125	0.3122	0.3100	0.2883	0.2554	0.1927	0.1061	0.0245
14144	0.547	1.4263	1.4104	1.1933	0.6259	0.4324	0.3197	0.3208	0.3194	0.2966	0.2508	0.1907	0.1070	0.0274
14146	0.546	1.4365	1.4111	1.1944	0.6235	0.4358	0.3171	0.3218	0.3170	0.2906	0.2450	0.1896	0.1049	0.0269

CORE BURNUP = 30FPD

14141	0.761	1.4602	1.5183	1.3112	1.0866	0.7604	0.6334	0.6438	0.6244	0.5868	0.5117	0.4054	0.2197	0.0614
14144	0.761	1.4452	1.5210	1.3092	1.0894	0.7616	0.6470	0.6505	0.6489	0.5886	0.5116	0.3914	0.2112	0.0577
14146	0.759	1.4452	1.5214	1.3124	1.0890	0.715	0.6532	0.6448	0.6314	0.5716	0.5152	0.3932	0.2119	0.0574

CORE BURNUP = 60FPD

14141	0.928	1.4774	1.5530	1.4532	1.1446	0.8314	0.7101	0.7503	0.7264	0.6778	0.6033	0.4587	0.2553	0.0715
14144	0.927	1.4744	1.5574	1.4550	1.1418	0.8106	0.7468	0.7507	0.7440	0.6573	0.5954	0.4547	0.2571	0.0671
14146	0.926	1.4743	1.5570	1.4544	1.1409	0.8149	0.7554	0.7464	0.7316	0.6484	0.5932	0.4542	0.2574	0.0672

CORE BURNUP = 70FPD

FIG. 32 COMPARISON OF CHANNEL E-14 BUNDLE IRRADIATIONS

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
0572	0.03104	0.11556	0.14185	0.21828	0.23185	0.26522	0.26837	0.26474	0.47942	0.49147	1.33117	1.48247	1.43518
0551	0.05275	0.11846	0.14213	0.23210	0.23267	0.2664	0.2664	0.2665	0.4160	0.41010	1.3709	1.4945	1.4356
0550	-0.10	0.055	0.05	0.08	-0.05	0.03	0.01	0.05	-0.34	-0.051	-0.050	0.001	-0.05
0550	0.03983	0.11323	0.14141	0.23135	0.23185	0.2667	0.2682	0.2644	0.4148	0.4006	1.3306	1.48144	1.4356

CORE BURNUP = 10FPD

0487	0.05243	0.11900	0.3358	0.4014	0.4210	0.4545	0.4604	0.4588	0.5333	1.0620	1.4617	1.5541	1.457
0487	0.05337	0.11920	0.3370	0.4025	0.4215	0.4572	0.4684	0.4664	0.5855	1.0592	1.4604	1.5547	1.4555
0487	-0.24	0.02	0.036	0.040	-0.10	0.06	-0.01	0.02	-0.11	-0.243	-0.081	0.018	-0.102
0487	0.05342	0.11922	0.3373	0.4024	0.4215	0.4574	0.4677	0.4687	0.5809	1.0585	1.4594	1.5544	1.4554

CORE BURNUP = 30FPD

0487	0.04067	0.31976	0.51049	0.6575	0.6887	0.7450	0.7654	0.7149	0.8544	1.3094	1.6542	1.6723	1.4893
0487	0.04071	0.3237	0.5233	0.6607	0.6708	0.7410	0.7624	0.7121	0.8371	1.2946	1.6454	1.6720	1.4854
0487	-0.183	0.023	0.044	0.049	-0.140	0.08	-0.033	0.006	-0.08	-0.052	0.079	0.043	-0.116
0487	0.04069	0.3232	0.5204	0.6546	0.6760	0.7422	0.7615	0.7178	0.8302	1.2977	1.6503	1.6735	1.4893

CORE BURNUP = 60FPD

0487	0.10273	0.3611	0.6172	0.7408	0.7777	0.8401	0.8442	0.8359	0.9427	1.3951	1.7252	1.7108	1.5002
0487	0.09847	0.3647	0.6189	0.7457	0.7368	0.8402	0.8610	0.8604	0.9414	1.3769	1.7254	1.7114	1.4955
0487	-0.415	0.027	0.044	0.053	-0.149	0.08	-0.07	0.003	-0.08	-0.059	0.027	0.055	-0.11
0487	0.10281	0.3647	0.6183	0.7408	0.7621	0.8717	0.8510	0.8448	0.9439	1.3785	1.7288	1.7122	1.4957

CORE BURNUP = 70FPD

FIG. 33 COMPARISON OF CHANNEL N-13 BUNDLE IRRADIATIONS

BUNDLE CHANNEL A-11

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
1*1*1 1011	0.0811	0.3344	0.8304	0.7778	0.0312	1.1627	1.1902	1.1615	1.1307	1.2704	1.0161	1.1685	1.0084
1*1*4 1011	0.0891	0.3304	0.5308	0.7778	1.0381	1.1905	1.2709	1.1632	1.2709	1.4011	1.4313	1.4006	1.0084
1*1*6 1011	0.0894	0.3318	0.5315	0.8805	1.0358	1.1907	1.1633	1.2712	1.2706	1.4015	1.4315	1.4006	1.0084

CORE BURNUP = 10FFD

1*1*1 1018	0.0824	0.3719	0.7095	0.9818	1.1685	1.3038	1.4289	1.5035	1.5653	1.3838	1.4289	1.4738	1.4174
1*1*4 1018	0.0815	0.3719	0.7074	0.9801	1.1647	1.3056	1.4281	1.5047	1.5530	1.3821	1.4274	1.4723	1.4174
1*1*6 1018	0.0819	0.3714	0.7092	0.9804	1.1674	1.3087	1.4287	1.5047	1.5537	1.3812	1.4274	1.4731	1.4174

CORE BURNUP = 30FFD

1*1*1 1276	0.0859	0.4359	0.8153	1.1432	1.3549	1.5049	1.6249	1.5036	1.4404	1.5335	1.5746	1.5183	1.4181
1*1*4 1276	0.0850	0.4352	0.8211	1.1436	1.3443	1.5053	1.6246	1.5117	1.4388	1.5310	1.5744	1.5203	1.4285
1*1*6 1276	0.0852	0.4381	0.8205	1.1436	1.3571	1.5160	1.6247	1.5047	1.4343	1.5322	1.5746	1.5206	1.4285

CORE BURNUP = 60FFD

1*1*1 0318	0.0024	0.0102	0.0200	0.0308	0.0475	0.0772	0.0384	0.0766	0.1447	0.4705	0.8546	1.1797	1.3881
1*1*4 0317	0.0029	0.0106	0.0204	0.0307	0.0395	0.0384	0.0307	0.0384	0.1428	0.4707	0.8574	1.1805	1.3749
1*1*6 0317	0.0024	0.0107	0.0205	0.0308	0.0440	0.0772	0.0384	0.0766	0.1447	0.4705	0.8546	1.1797	1.3881

CORE BURNUP = 70FFD

NOTE CHANNEL REFUELLED AT 65 FPD

FIG. 34 COMPARISON OF CHANNEL 2-1 BUNDLE IRRADIATIONS

0.784	1.2161	1.0689	0.7882	0.4428	0.1415	0.0480	0.0491	0.0475	0.0475	0.0475	0.0475	0.0475	0.0475
0.784	1.5551	1.0665	0.7878	0.4414	0.1401	0.0486	0.0493	0.0477	0.0477	0.0477	0.0477	0.0477	0.0477
0.784	1.5555	1.0674	0.7874	0.4406	0.1417	0.0488	0.0493	0.0478	0.0478	0.0478	0.0478	0.0478	0.0478

CORE BURNUP = 10FFD

0.492	1.2613	1.1092	0.9662	0.5511	0.2478	0.2033	0.2149	0.2079	0.1957	0.1532	0.1070	0.0558	0.0140
0.491	1.2619	1.1092	0.9662	0.5511	0.2478	0.2033	0.2149	0.2079	0.1957	0.1532	0.1070	0.0558	0.0140
0.491	1.2613	1.1091	0.9662	0.5511	0.2478	0.2033	0.2149	0.2079	0.1957	0.1532	0.1070	0.0558	0.0140

CORE BURNUP = 30FFD

0.544	1.2208	1.1695	0.9821	0.7212	0.4905	0.4385	0.4516	0.4375	0.3931	0.3381	0.2791	0.1880	0.0904
0.543	1.2208	1.1695	0.9821	0.7212	0.4905	0.4385	0.4516	0.4375	0.3931	0.3381	0.2791	0.1880	0.0904
0.543	1.2208	1.1695	0.9821	0.7212	0.4905	0.4385	0.4516	0.4375	0.3931	0.3381	0.2791	0.1880	0.0904

CORE BURNUP = 60 FPD

0.588	1.2834	1.1931	1.0195	0.7359	0.5582	0.5119	0.5140	0.5092	0.4590	0.3775	0.2844	0.1885	0.0915
0.588	1.2833	1.1932	1.0205	0.7355	0.5450	0.5153	0.5181	0.5163	0.4636	0.3743	0.2863	0.1903	0.0915
0.586	1.2818	1.1905	1.0210	0.7358	0.5483	0.5175	0.5241	0.5204	0.4638	0.3734	0.2869	0.1905	0.0915

CORE BURNUP = 70FFD

NOTE CHANNEL REFUELLED AT 4FFD

FIG. 35 COMPARISON OF CHANNEL A-14 BUNDLE IRRADIATIONS

BUNDLE NUMBER →

CHANNEL FILE →

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14141	0.07165	0.36690	0.71867	1.03764	1.22853	1.37962	1.47233	1.51873	1.54933	1.57760	1.60373	1.62767	1.64979
14144	0.07167	0.36691	0.71868	1.03765	1.22854	1.37963	1.47234	1.51874	1.54934	1.57761	1.60374	1.62768	1.64980
14146	-0.12	0.056	0.012	0.018	0.031	0.044	0.056	0.068	0.080	0.092	0.104	0.116	0.128

CORE BURNUP = 10FPD

14141	0.00033	0.00148	0.00306	0.00447	0.00585	0.00723	0.00861	0.00999	0.01137	0.01275	0.01413	0.01551	0.01689
14144	0.00030	0.00049	0.00068	0.00087	0.00106	0.00125	0.00144	0.00163	0.00182	0.00201	0.00220	0.00239	0.00258
14146	-0.12	0.047	-0.098	0.00147	0.00294	0.00441	0.00588	0.00735	0.00882	0.01029	0.01176	0.01323	0.01470

CORE BURNUP = 30FPD

14141	0.01006	0.04045	0.09373	0.15602	0.16664	0.18425	0.18951	0.18376	0.14434	0.52414	0.87657	1.15613	1.33101
14144	0.00917	0.04602	0.09424	0.13859	0.14795	0.18524	0.19092	0.18721	0.24415	0.52423	0.87645	1.15586	1.32937
14146	-0.0995	0.045	0.0945	0.14461	0.18813	0.19127	0.18506	0.24415	0.52482	0.87687	1.15820	1.33104	1.50492

CORE BURNUP = 60FPD

14141	0.01316	0.05883	0.12244	0.17851	0.21747	0.24057	0.24761	0.24052	0.20553	0.51512	0.90494	1.26466	1.73441
14144	0.01201	0.06033	0.12222	0.17847	0.21747	0.24210	0.24441	0.24466	0.24885	0.51544	0.90474	1.26466	1.73408
14146	-0.1189	0.06016	0.12201	0.17817	0.21729	0.24518	0.25018	0.24247	0.24822	0.51664	0.90521	1.26466	1.73374

CORE BURNUP = 70FPD

NOTE CHANNEL REFUELED AT 2.9FPD

FIG. 36 COMPARISON OF CHANNEL T-23 BUNDLE IRRADIATIONS

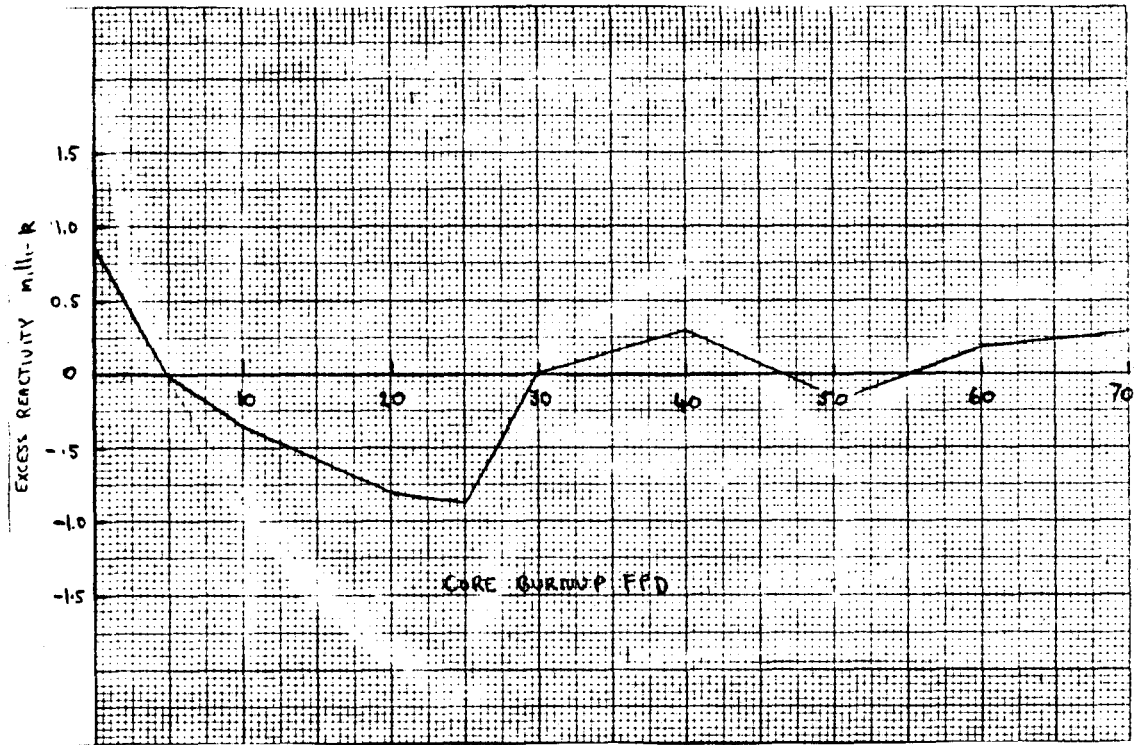


FIG. 37 EXCESS REACTIVITY VS CORE BURNUP

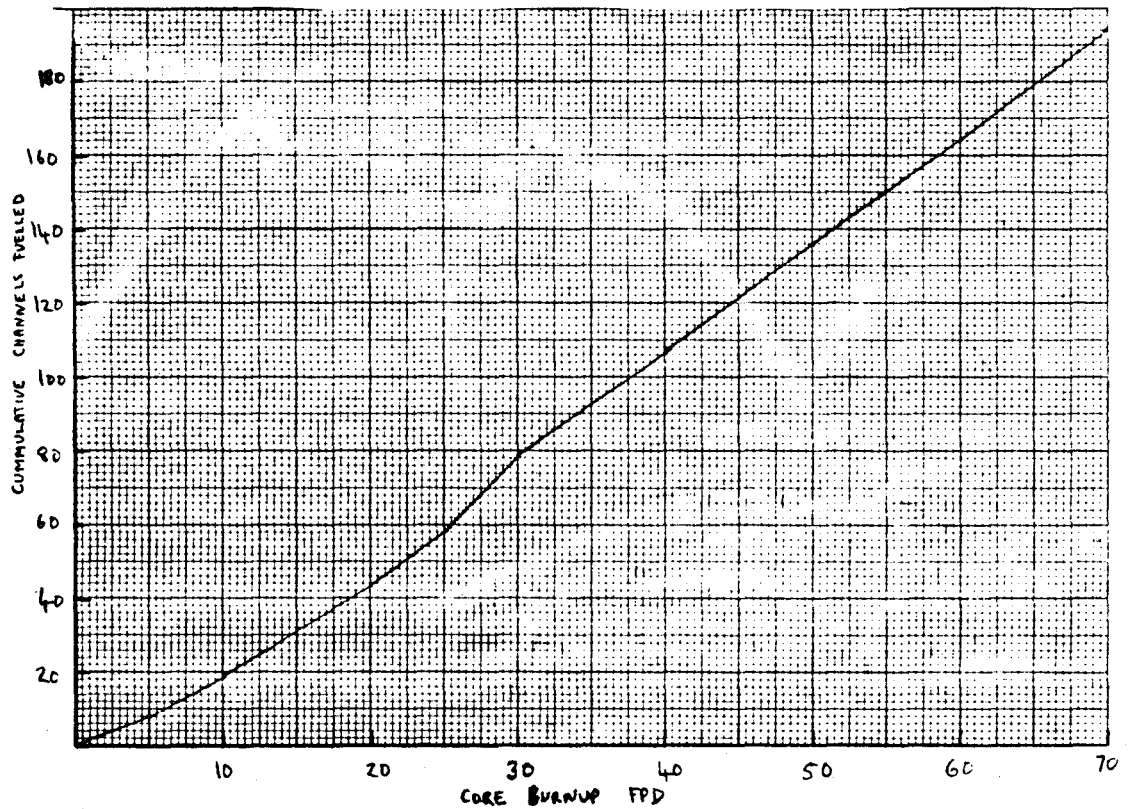
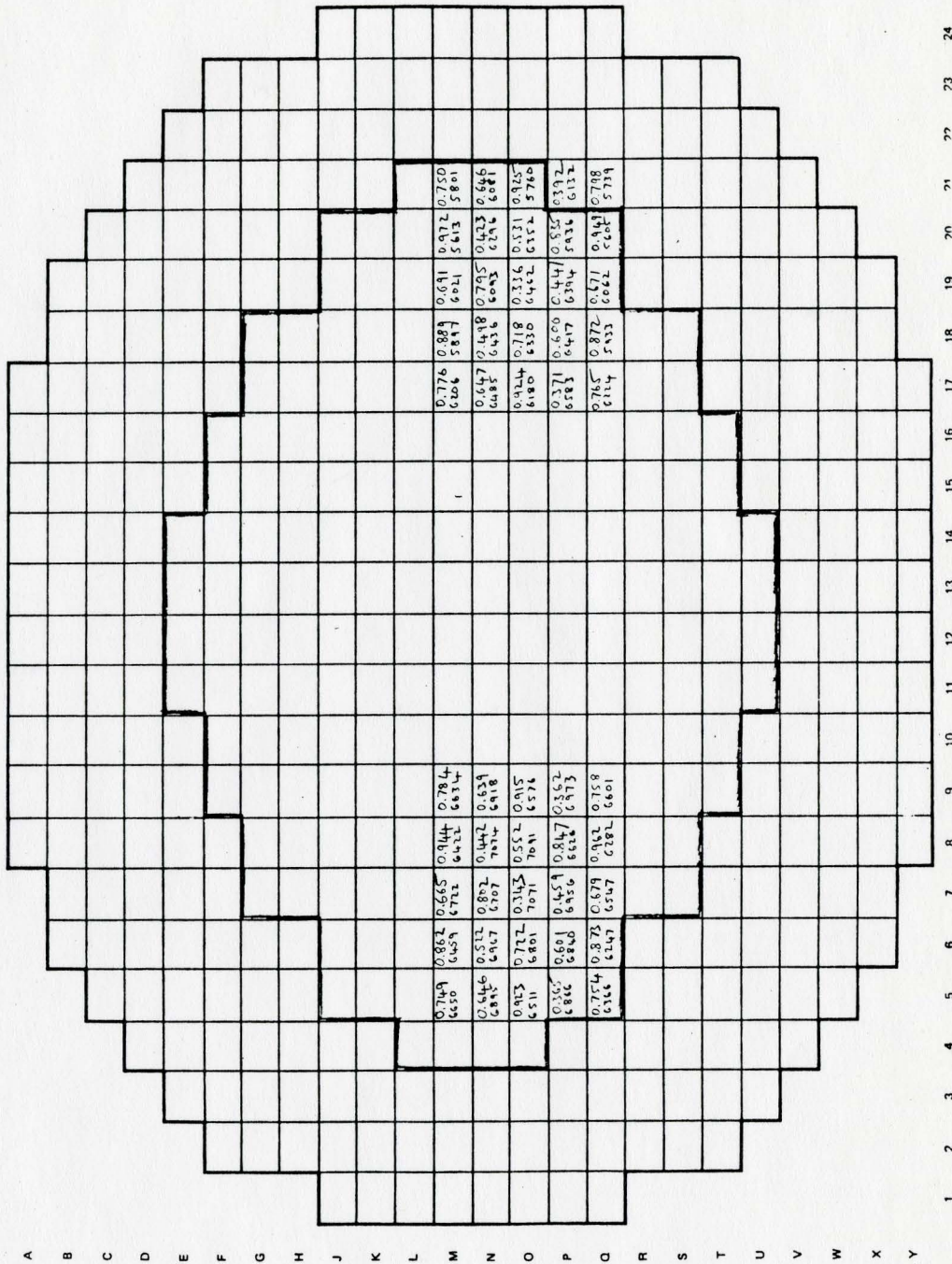


FIG. 38 CUMULATIVE CHANNELS FUELLED VS CORE BURNUP





KEY  
AGE  
POWER

Fig. 40 REACTOR CONDITIONS ABOUT CHANNELS 0-7 AND 0-19 AT 60FPD

## APPENDIX A DESCRIPTION OF CALCULATIONS

The three main types of calculations done in this study are outlined below.

### 1. Time Averaged Calculations

Flux and power distributions are computed using input physics parameters for fuel bundles which are averaged over each bundle's residence time in the core at a given position in the channel. The distributions can be interpreted as an average over a sufficiently long time.

The basic steps are as follows. Note that this is an iterative calculation.

- (i) An initial estimate is made of the exit irradiation in the two regions, the size and shape of the inner region, and a starting guess for the axial flux distributions.
- (ii) The initial and discharge irradiances for each bundle are computed from the exit irradiation, the axial flux shape, and the fuelling scheme.
- (iii) For each position in the channel, average cross sections are calculated by integrating from initial to final irradiation. Figure A.1 illustrates this procedure.

- (iv) With these cross sections, the flux distribution, the eigenvalue and the power distribution are calculated.
- (v) Steps ii to iv are repeated until the axial flux shape has converged.
- (vi) The inner region irradiation is adjusted to get a flat channel power distribution in this region, the outer region irradiation is adjusted to produce the required excess reactivity and the inner region size and shape is adjusted to get the required form factor. All of these factors are not necessarily adjusted at every iteration. Currently this step is done manually.
- (vii) Steps ii through v are repeated until the desired form factor and excess reactivity are obtained.

Note that step v is a manual step done externally to the computer so that the job must be resubmitted at each iteration.

## 2, Instantaneous Calculations

Power distributions which are more representative of those which might be obtained at a particular time during operation are obtained using an instantaneous calculation. This gives a snapshot of the reactor core at a particular moment in the reactor's history. The code assigns each channel in the core an age which represents the time since



the channel was last fuelled as a fraction of its total residence time. These fractions were selected from a uniform random distribution over the interval (0,1) using a numerical random number generator. Knowing the irradiations at the beginning and ending of the dwell period from a time-averaged calculation, the irradiation of each bundle in a channel can be calculated from the fractional age.

A different distribution is produced if a different starting value (the variable NRAN) is used for the random number generator.

The age distribution may also be obtained other than with the random number generator. A fuelling sequence may be read in to produce a patterned distribution of channel ages.

### 3. Simulations

The time history of the flux and power distribution is calculated at discrete time steps, with the irradiation distribution incremented from the previous step using the previous flux distribution. The flow chart is shown in Fig. A.2.

When a time step is to be taken, the new irradiation for each bundle is calculated from:

$$\omega_K(t_{i+1}) = \omega_K(t_i) + f_K(\omega_i) \phi_K \Delta t_i$$

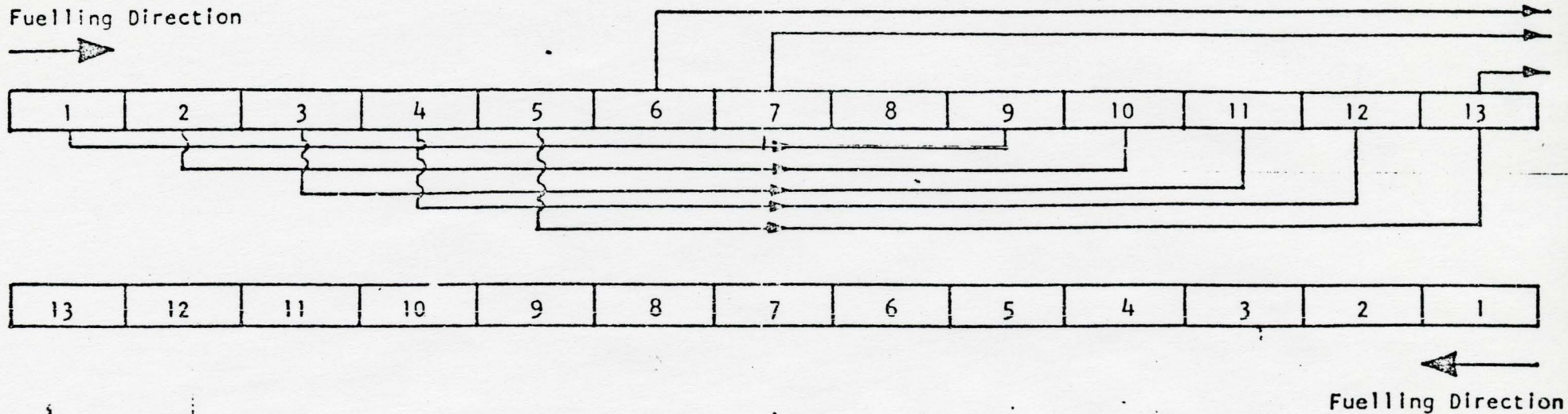
where  $\omega(t_i) = \omega_i$  is the previous irradiation

$\omega(t_{i+1})$  is the new irradiation

$f_K(\omega_i)$  is the flux depression factor for the particular bundle

$\phi_K$  is the bundle flux from the previous time step

$\Delta t_i$  is the time increment



Each channel is

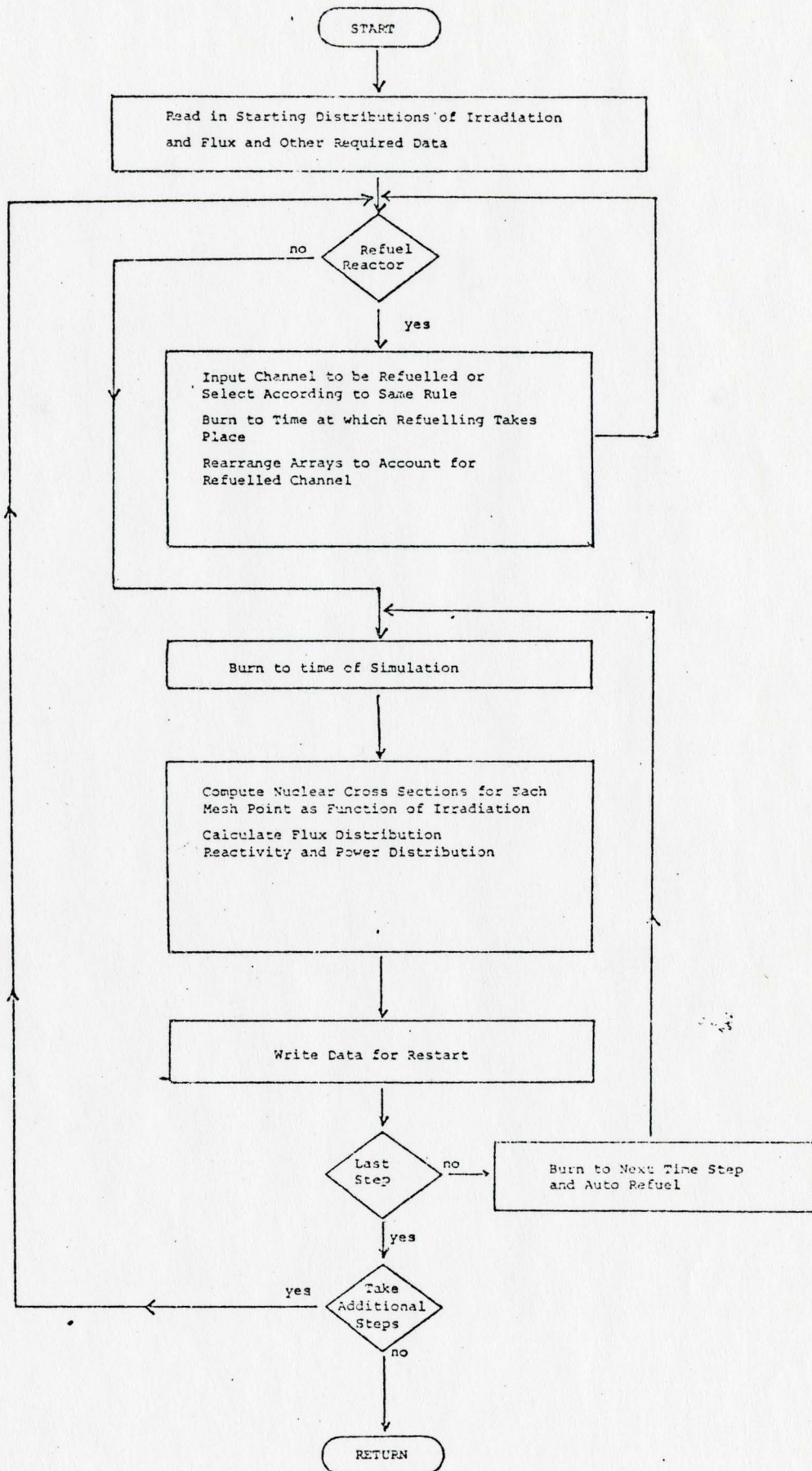
1. Refuelled
2. Is irradiated undisturbed for dwell time  $T$
3. Is refuelled again
4. Bundles are shifted along channel  $N$  positions

Irradiation at end of  $T$  is:

$$\omega(k) = \omega(k-N) + \int_0^T \phi(k) dt$$

$$\bar{\Sigma}(k) = \frac{1}{\Delta\omega(k)} \int_{\omega_1}^{\omega_2} \Sigma(\omega) d\omega$$

FIGURE A.1 TIME AVERAGED MODEL



## APPENDIX B REACTOR MODEL

### 1. Core Model - Mesh and Cell Arrays

For purposes of the flux calculation, the reactor is partitioned by perpendicular mesh planes into small parallelepiped volumes. The flux in each of these volumes is assumed constant, and is assigned to the point at the geometric centre of the volume.

Mesh planes are spaced closely in regions of rapidly changing flux or material properties and farther apart elsewhere.

There is no fixed geometrical relationship between mesh points and bundles. If each bundle is considered to occupy a volume equal to one lattice pitch in the x and y directions and one bundle length in the z direction (called a lattice "cell") the mesh volumes defined by the mesh planes do not necessarily coincide with these cell volumes. There may be more than one mesh point per lattice cell, or one cell may overlap several mesh points.

Mesh arrays are converted to cell arrays by volume weight averaging all mesh point values which overlap each cell. This permits the calculation of the power and burnup of the fuel bundles. These quantities are of most interest in fuel management.

### 2. Lattice Cell Homogenization

Cross sections for the flux calculation calculated by lattice physics codes (such as POWDERPUFS) are flux-volume weight averaged over the entire volume occupied by the lattice cell. Thus, when more than one mesh point is placed in a physical lattice cell to reduce discretization error in regions of rapidly changing flux, the variation in the flux values of individual mesh points within the geometric region of the cell does not represent the flux distribution through the cell. Rather, the average of the mesh point values is an approximation to the average cell flux. The microscopic flux distribution through the cell is treated by the flux depression factor F.

The material composing the bundle and pressure tubes and moderator are considered to be smeared out uniformly throughout the cell. Thus the model produces power, irradiation, and burnup from mesh points which may be geometrically within the moderator.

When structural material and control elements are present in the region of a lattice cell, appropriate cross section increments are added to the cell cross sections of the affected mesh points. This is to ensure that the total effective number of U, Zr, etc., atoms is unaffected by the introduction of additional material. The displacement of moderator and the change in microscopic flux distribution through the cell, in general non-zero increments will be added to all cross sections. The correct values of increments are obtained from CHEBY "supercell" calculations.

### 3. Structural Materials and Controllers

Extraneous structural materials, control elements, etc., which are not included in the lattice cell calculation, are treated by adding cross section increments to the cell cross sections at the affected mesh points. Extra materials are considered to be of two types; "fixed" structural material, and "moveable" controllers.

Figure B1 shows how the moveable absorber increments are added to the mesh properties. Consider controller A. It overlaps the mesh volume between  $l=1$  and  $2$  and  $J=1$  and  $2$  by  $1/3$ , so that  $1/3$  of the incremental cross sections of A are added to mesh properties for this mesh point. Similarly for the other mesh volumes overlapped. Thus the increment is smeared over the entire mesh volume. Controller B shows the more normal situation in which the controller occupies the entire mesh volume except at its tip. Controller A is modelled in coarse mesh. Controller B is modelled in fine mesh.

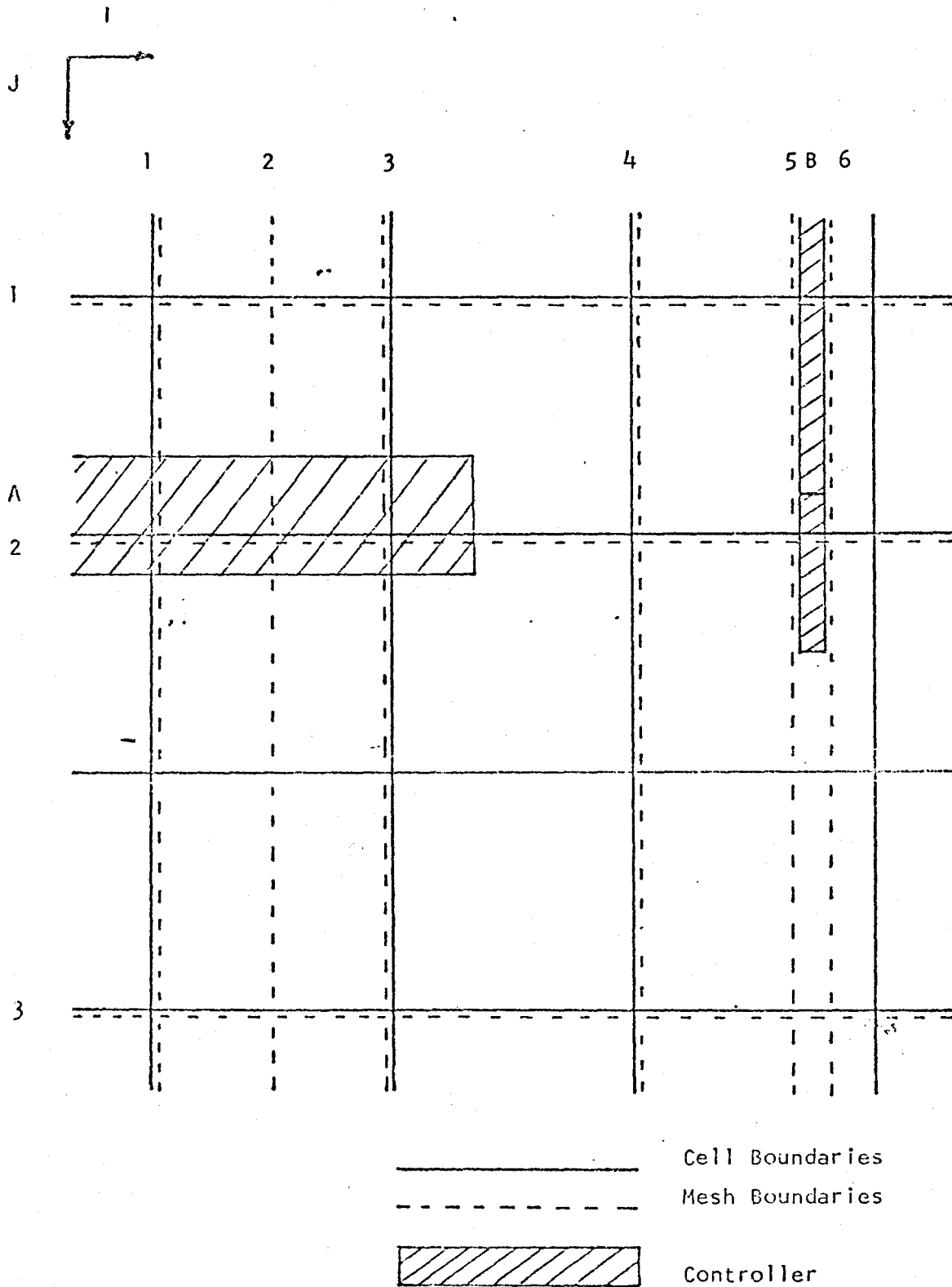


Figure B.1 Mesh and Cell Arrays

## APPENDIX C

## REFUELLING HISTORY FOR SIMULATION

ENERGY CLOCK FPD	CHANNEL REFUELLED	REGION AND DIRECTION	AVERAGE EXIT IRRADIATION (n/kb)			ENERGY CLOCK FPD	CHANNEL REFUELLED	REGION AND DIRECTION	AVERAGE EXIT IRRADIATION (n/kb)		
1	V-14	- 0	1.443			22	O-12	+ I	1.86		
1	W-16	+ 0	1.503			22	J-22	- 0	1.515		
2	F-16	+ I	1.7781			22	K-8	+ I	1.853		
2	E-14	- I	1.7167			23	R-18	- I	1.797		
3	R-22	- 0	1.448			23	W-20	+ 0	1.560		
3	S-8	+ I	1.7683			23	J-6	- I	1.787		
4	B-8	+ 0	1.509			24	K-24	+ 0	1.542		
4	A-14	- 0	1.4668			24	R-2	- 0	1.501		
5	K-12	+ I	1.800			24	T-15	+ I	1.787		
5	R-6	- 0	1.467			25	N-18	- I	1.832		
5	S-16	+ I	1.799			25	T-17	+ 0	1.533		
6	R-14	- I	1.736			25	E-16	- 0	1.491		
6	B-16	+ 0	1.516			25	C-15	+ 0	1.53		
7	J-18	- I	1.733			26	R-8	- I	1.732		
7	K-4	+ 0	1.5297			26	G-15	+ I	1.812		
8	J-2	- 0	1.462			26	R-16	- I	1.728		
8	W-12	+ 0	1.529			26	V-16	- 0	1.491		
9	N-14	- I	1.742			27	L-3	+ 0	1.538		
9	F-12	+ I	1.810			27	L-11	+ I	1.805		
				1*1*4	1*1*6	27	J-12	- I	1.725		
10	K-20	+ I	1.826	1.826	1.826	27	P-15	+ I	1.792		
10	V-10	- 0	1.489	1.489	1.489	28	V-12	- 0	1.484		
10	F-20	+ 0	1.533	1.533	1.533	28	G-19	+ 0	1.535		
11	J-10	- I	1.772	1.772	1.773	28	J-4	- 0	1.484		
11	O-16	+ I	1.825	1.825	1.825	28	X-15	+ 0	1.533		
12	E-10	- 0	1.502	1.502	1.502	29	E-12	- I	1.732		
12	O-8	+ I	1.821	1.821	1.821	29	L-19	+ I	1.803		
12	E-18	- 0	1.492	1.492	1.492	29	T-23	+ 0	1.473		
13	F-4	+ 0	1.539	1.540	1.540	29	C-11	+ 0	1.53		
13	N-22	- 0	1.496	1.496	1.497	30	E-8	- 0	1.468		
14	K-16	+ I	1.829	1.829	1.829	30	P-3	+ 0	1.524		
14	V-18	- 0	1.495	1.495	1.496	30	N-16	- I	1.739		
14	S-12	+ I	1.827	1.827	1.827	31	G-11	+ I	1.815		
15	N-6	- I	1.774	1.774	1.775	31	J-20	- I	1.74		
15	F-8	+ 0	1.55	1.551	1.551	32	X-11	+ 0	1.535		
16	R-10	- I	1.778	1.778	1.779	32	R-20	- 0	1.468		
16	B-12	+ 0	1.55	1.55	1.55	32	C-7	+ 0	1.533		
16	J-14	- I	1.776	1.777	1.777	33	V-8	- 0	1.474		
17	O-20	+ I	1.84	1.844	1.844	33	P-7	+ I	1.82		
17	E-22	- 0	1.46	1.460	1.461	34	E-20	- 0	1.49		
18	O-4	+ I	1.850	1.850	1.850	34	L-15	+ I	1.824		
18	N-2	- 0	1.502	1.503	1.503	34	N-8	- I	1.752		
9	O-24	+ 0	1.551	1.552	1.552	35	T-11	+ I	1.829		
9	A-10	- 0	1.482	1.483	1.483	35	R-4	- 0	1.48		
10	S-20	+ 0	1.565			35	T-19	+ 0	1.538		
10	E-6	- 0	1.513			36	J-16	- I	1.76		
10	W-8	+ 0	1.566			36	P-19	+ I	1.826		
11	N-10	- I	1.794			36	R-12	- I	1.758		
11	S-4	+ 0	1.570			37	G-3	+ 0	1.54		
11	V-6	- 0	1.507			37	N-4	- I	1.76		
						37	P-11	+ I	1.822		

## APPENDIX C - continued

ENERGY CLOCK FPD	CHANNEL REFUELLED	REGION AND DIRECTION	AVERAGE EXIT IRRADIATION (n/kb)	ENERGY CLOCK FPD	CHANNEL REFUELLED	REGION AND DIRECTION	AVERAGE EXIT IRRADIATION (n/kb)
38	N-20	- I	1.768	55	K-15	- I	1.754 1.757 1.757
38	G-7	+ I	1.819	55	P-17	+ I	1.820 1.821 1.821
38	N-12	- I	1.75	56	S-11	- I	1.756 1.759 1.761
39	L-23	+ 0	1.535	56	G-21	+ 0	1.543 1.544 1.544
39	J-8	- I	1.747	56	O-7	- I	1.766 1.762 1.764
39	C-19	+ 0	1.51	57	L-13	+ I	1.830 1.830 1.830
40	V-20	- 0	1.470	57	O-19	- I	1.755 1.757 1.760
40	P-23	+ 0	1.563	57	T-9	+ I	1.824 1.826 1.827
40	A-16	- 0	1.465	58	O-11	- I	1.750 1.753 1.754
41	L-7	+ I	1.827	58	C-17	+ 0	1.544 1.544 1.544
41	N-24	- 0	1.460	59	K-7	- I	1.724 1.726 1.727
41	G-23	+ 0	1.501	59	P-9	+ I	1.833 1.835 1.835
42	A-12	- 0	1.465	60	O-23	- 0	1.498 1.499 1.502
42	C-13	+ 0	1.512	60	L-21	+ I	1.830 1.833 1.833
42	F-15	- I	1.71	61	B-11	- 0	1.502 1.503 1.504
43	G-13	+ I	1.76	61	D-16	+ 0	1.540 1.540 1.539
43	S-15	- I	1.71	61	F-17	- 0	1.473 1.475 1.475
43	L-9	+ I	1.76	62	U-16	+ 0	1.544 1.546 1.546
44	A-8	- 0	1.467	62	K-23	- 0	1.469 1.470 1.472
44	X-19	+ 0	1.512	62	X-9	+ 0	1.538 1.539 1.541
44	W-15	- 0	1.477	63	W-13	- 0	1.463 1.466 1.468
45	T-3	+ 0	1.52	63	U-8	+ 0	1.537 1.538 1.540
45	V-4	- 0	1.461	63	S-5	- 0	1.460 1.465 1.465
45	X-7	+ 0	1.508	64	D-12	+ 0	1.542 1.542 1.542
46	K-11	- I	1.718	64	W-7	- 0	1.460 1.462 1.465
46	X-13	+ 0	1.507	64	D-8	+ 0	1.534 1.535 1.537
46	F-19	- 0	1.47	64	S-23	- 0	1.451 1.452 1.454
47	T-17	+ 0	1.52	65	L-1	+ 0	1.532 1.533 1.533
47	J-24	- 0	1.44	65	W-19	- 0	1.457 1.459 1.461
47	G-5	+ 0	1.504	65	H-20	+ 0	1.527 1.530 1.530
48	O-15	- I	1.73				1*1*4 1*1*6
48	C-9	+ 0	1.508	66	K-9	- I	1.713 1.716 1.717
48	S-7	- I	1.72	66	H-4	+ 0	1.523 1.524 1.524
49	L-17	+ I	1.62	66	F-13	- I	1.708 1.711 1.711
49	K-19	- I	1.71	67	Q-4	+ 0	1.529 1.531 1.532
49	L-5	+ I	1.75	67	K-17	- I	1.711 1.714 1.714
			1*1*4 1*1*6	67	M-12	+ I	1.781 1.781 1.781
50	E-4	- 0	1.518 1.519 1.521	68	S-17	- I	1.673 1.675 1.677
50	P-21	+ 0	1.561 1.564 1.565	68	H-16	+ I	1.803 1.804 1.804
50	K-3	- 0	1.497 1.498 1.499	68	K-5	- I	1.661 1.663 1.663
50	T-23	+ I	1.810 1.811 1.811	69	Q-20	+ I	1.747 1.750 1.752
51	F-11	- I	1.736 1.738 1.739	69	S-21	- 0	1.460 1.471 1.474
51	G-17	+ I	1.802 1.804 1.803	69	M-4	+ I	1.8002 1.802 1.8023
51	W-11	- 0	1.497 1.499 1.501				
52	G-9	+ I	1.808 1.810 1.810				
52	F-7	- 0	1.480 1.482 1.484				
52	T-5	+ 0	1.553 1.555 1.556				
53	O-3	- 0	1.497 1.498 1.500				
53	T-21	+ 0	1.530 1.531 1.532				
53	B-15	- 0	1.476 1.477 1.478				
54	P-13	+ I	1.814 1.815 1.815				
54	S-19	- 0	1.483 1.485 1.488				
54	P-5	+ I	1.812 1.814 1.815				

Note: About the first 27 oldest channels at 0 FPD are fuelled in the positive direction. This is a peculiarity of the particular starting pattern selected. Throughout the simulation, average discharge irradianations for channels fuelled positively generally exceeded the time-averaged value, while the value for channels fuelled negatively was generally lower than the time-averaged value.