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**ABSTRACT**

Characteristics and contents of the CSRL-V (Criticality Safety Reference Library based on ENDF/B-V data) 227-neutron-group AMPX master and pointwise cross-section libraries are described. Results obtained in using CSRL-V to calculate performance parameters of selected thermal reactor and criticality safety benchmarks are discussed.

## I. INTRODUCTION

The U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission sponsored the development of a pseudo-problem-independent, comprehensive, 227-neutron-group, cross-section library derived primarily from ENDF/B-V data. The library, designated CSRL-V (Criticality Safety Reference Library based on ENDF/B-V data),<sup>1,2</sup> is a data base in AMPX master format<sup>3</sup> for the subsequent generation of problem-dependent fine- and/or broad-group cross sections for a broad range of applications, including reactor core and shielding analyses, criticality safety analyses, and shipping cask calculations. The CSRL-V library is available from the Radiation Shielding Information Center (RSIC) at the Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL).<sup>4</sup> Characteristics of CSRL-V, including the recent expansion of the library to include Bondarenko factor data for unresolved resonance processing, are described in Section II.

Problem-dependent cross sections derived from CSRL-V data can be used with the SCALE<sup>4</sup> system and with codes such as KENO-IV,<sup>5</sup> ANISM,<sup>6</sup> XSDRNPM,<sup>7</sup> VENTURE,<sup>8</sup> DOT,<sup>9</sup> MORSE<sup>10</sup> or any computer code which uses data in the traditional multigroup cross-section table format. CSRL-V data can be coupled with photon-production and photon-interaction multigroup data produced with the AMPX system<sup>3</sup> to produce coupled neutron-gamma cross-section libraries. Modules of the AMPX system offer a full spectrum of cross-section processing capabilities for the CSRL-V data, including energy group collapsing, interpolating on Bondarenko factors for self-shielding of unresolved resonance data and temperature corrections, resonance processing with the Nordheim integral method, reformatting, editing, etc. The AMPX system is available from RSIC.<sup>11</sup>

CSRL-V has been used in a variety of benchmark calculations. Among the thermal reactor benchmarks calculated were selected CSEWG and Babcock & Wilcox lattice critical experiments. Criticality safety benchmarks calculated included homogeneous, uranyl fluoride and uranyl nitrate spheres with hydrogen-to-uranium ratios varying from 76 to 972. Representative results from the series of CSRL-V benchmark calculations are discussed in Section III.

## II. CHARACTERISTICS OF CSRL-V

Favorable experiences gained from the generation and utilization of an ENDF/B-IV fine-group cross-section library generated with the AMPX system for criticality safety, reactor, and shielding studies<sup>12-14</sup> (CSRL, circa 1975) influenced the processing procedures, the selection of the group structure, and the point-to-multigroup weighting functions used to generate CSRL-V. Basic sources of nuclear data, specifications, processing system, library formats and contents, and first-order data checks of CSRL-V are described in subsections below.

<sup>4</sup>The United States Department of Energy has determined that fine-group and/or pointwise data derived from ENDF/B-V will, for the present, be limited to users within the United States and AECL (Chalk River), except for data derived from the ENDF/B-V Standards, Dosimetry, Actinide (special purpose), and Fission Product Files, which are available to everyone.

## II.A. Materials

A list of the master cross-section data sets in the CSRL-V 227-group library is given in Table 1. The library contains data for approximately 130 materials, including processed data for all evaluations in the ENDF/B-V General Purpose File.<sup>15</sup> In addition, cross sections for selected materials not in the latest edition of ENDF/B were prepared from LENDL data,<sup>16,17</sup> e.g., Ar, <sup>45</sup>Sc, <sup>64</sup>Zn, Ga, Sn, <sup>191</sup>Ir, and <sup>193</sup>Ir. Hydrogen with water- and polyethelene-bound thermal scattering kernels, deuterium with D<sub>2</sub>O-bound thermal kernels, carbon with a graphite thermal kernel, a special 1/V data set normalized to unity at 0.0253 eV, and a dose factor data set were also included in the library.

## II.B. Group Structure

The CSRL-V 227-neutron-group structure includes 79 thermal groups in the 10<sup>-5</sup> to 3.00 eV range to accommodate the effects of low-energy resonance and thermal-neutron upscatter. The 148 groups in the 3-eV to 20-MeV range permit fine-group consideration of the resonance structure of prominent nuclei, the thresholds of important reactions, and various fission spectra. Specifically, boundaries were chosen to fit the reaction thresholds and major resonance levels of the following nuclides: Be, <sup>10</sup>B, C, N, O, F, Na, Mg, Al, Si, K, Ca, Cr, Mn, Fe, Ni, Cu, Zr, Mo, Ag, Cd, In, Sn, Ba, Gd, Hf, Pb, <sup>232</sup>Th, <sup>233</sup>U, <sup>234</sup>U, <sup>235</sup>U, <sup>236</sup>U, <sup>238</sup>U, <sup>238</sup>Pu, <sup>239</sup>Pu, <sup>240</sup>Pu, and <sup>241</sup>Pu.

Of the 148 epithermal groups, 58 groups span the fission-neutron-energy range from 20 MeV to 8.03 keV. This energy range includes most of the cross-section structure for the light and intermediate-mass nuclides. It also includes inelastic scattering and fission thresholds for certain of the heavy nuclides. The 90 groups between 8.03 keV and 3.00 eV were chosen to bracket major resonance levels in the intermediate-mass and heavy nuclides.

In the thermal energy range, several of the fuel and neutron absorbing nuclides have large resonances which are broad relative to the neutron energy exchange per collision. The closely-spaced thermal groups are designed to account for the effects of those resonances in the presence of thermal upscatter.



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Footnotes for Table 1.

- a. All neutron data from ENDF/B-V unless otherwise noted.
- b. Unless otherwise noted, Bondarenko factors are available for MT's 1, 2, 4, 18 (for fissionable nuclei), 102, and 1000.
- c. An evaluation from the LENDL library, not an ENDF/B-V evaluation.
- d. The following code is used to identify the weighting functions:

<u>Code</u>	<u>Weight Function</u>
A	$10^{-5}$ -0.1265 eV Maxwellian; 0.1265 eV-1.4 MeV 1/E; 1.4-20 MeV fission spectrum.
B	$10^{-5}$ -0.1265 eV Maxwellian; 0.1265 eV-0.75 MeV 1/E; 0.75-20 MeV fission spectrum.
C	$10^{-5}$ -0.1265 eV Maxwellian; 0.1265 eV-0.1 MeV 1/E; 0.1-20 MeV fission spectrum.

- e. Order of scattering in the fast range is  $P_5$ ; in the thermal range, it's  $P_3$ .
- f. See Appendix C of Ref. 1 for the definitions of the process identifiers (MT numbers).

### II.C. Weighting Function

All materials in the CSRL-V library were processed with a fission-1/E-Maxwellian weighting function. Temperature of the fission spectrum component of the weighting function was  $1.27 \times 10^6$  eV; temperature of the Maxwellian component was 300 °K. The energy at which the fission component was joined to the 1/E component generally was 1.4 MeV for the light materials, 0.75 MeV for the intermediate-mass materials, and 0.1 MeV for the heavy materials. The 1/E component was joined to the Maxwellian component at 0.1265 eV for the processing of all materials.

### II.D. Legendre Order of Scattering

The special 1/V data set and the  $^{64}\text{Zn}$ ,  $^{191}\text{Ir}$ , and  $^{193}\text{Ir}$  data sets were processed with a  $P_6$  order of scattering. Group-to-group transfer matrices for  $^1\text{H}$ ,  $^2\text{H}$ , and C were expanded to  $P_5$  in the epithermal range and  $P_3$  in the thermal range. All other materials were processed with a  $P_3$  expansion.

### II.E. Codes Used to Process CSRL-V

As shown in Fig. 1, current versions of modules from the AMPX and NJOY<sup>18,19</sup> cross-section processing systems were used to process CSRL-V. ENDF/B-V evaluations containing resolved resonance data were "preprocessed" with NPTXS (AMPX) to make pointwise files (i.e., neutron energy, cross-section pairs) for the total, fission, elastic scattering, and  $(n, \gamma)$  reactions. The pointwise elastic scattering data were used to augment the ENDF data selected in a subsequent module (XLACS2) used to process the multigroup scattering matrices.

XLACS2 (AMPX) was used to produce full-energy-range multigroup neutron cross sections in AMPX master format (see below). The module processes ENDF/B resolved resonance data into a form suitable for use (i.e., resonance parameters) in the calculation of self-shielded cross sections with the Nordheim integral treatment<sup>20</sup> provided in the NITAWL (AMPX) module.

The NJOY modules UNRESR and UXSR, an improved version of UNRESR, were used to compute effective pointwise self-shielded cross sections for the unresolved resonance region. TABU (AMPX) was used to process the pointwise unresolved data into group-averaged Bondarenko<sup>21</sup> data which were a function of material, process, temperature, background cross section, and energy. UNITAB (AMPX) was used to merge the Bondarenko data and the XLACS2-produced data into a final master data set.

XLACS2 has not been programmed to process Adler-Adler resonance data in ENDF formats. Consequently, NJOY was used to process the two ENDF/B-V evaluations which contain Adler-Adler data -- MAT 1393 ( $^{233}\text{U}$ ) and MAT 1381 ( $^{241}\text{Pu}$ ). The resulting CSRL-V data sets have Bondarenko factor data for both the resolved and unresolved energy ranges.

Other codes were used for data management and format conversion. NPCSL (NJOY) was used to convert binary pointwise data sets to BCD format. RIGEL, an ENDF code, was used to change the mode of ENDF data from binary to BCD, or vice versa. AJAX (AMPX) was used to merge AMPX master data sets. AIM (AMPX) was used to convert binary master libraries to BCD-formatted master libraries, or vice versa.

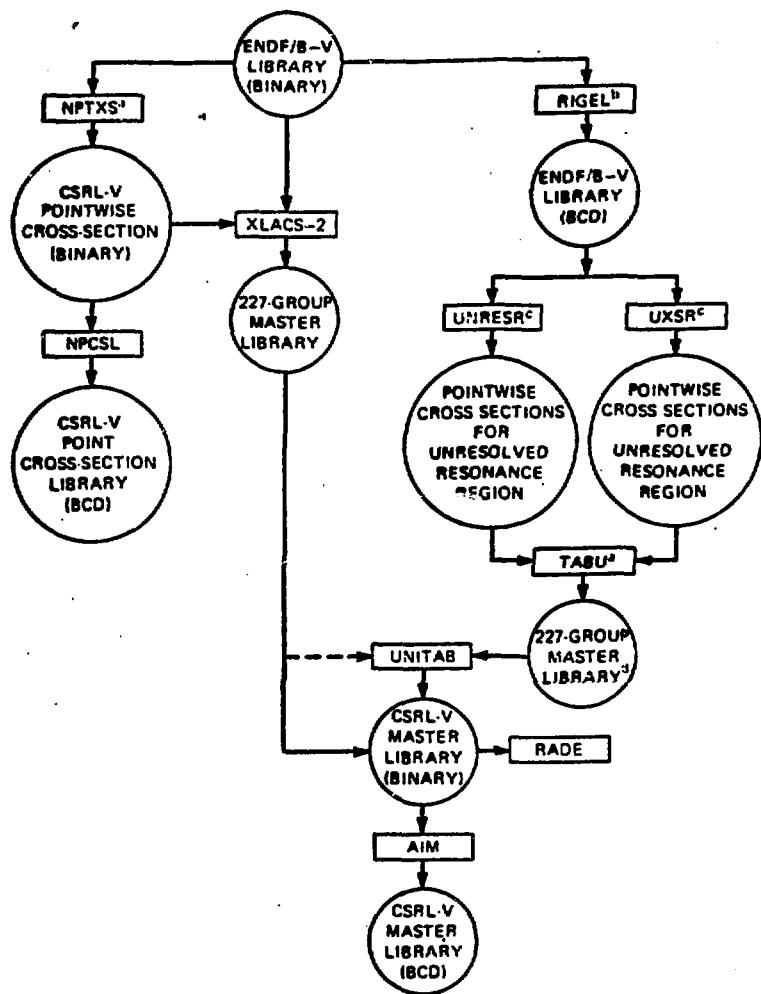
<sup>a</sup>AMPX MODULE<sup>b</sup>ENDF PROCESSING CODE<sup>c</sup>ENJOY MODULE<sup>d</sup>CONTAINS ONLY BONDARENKO FACTOR DATA FOR THE UNRESOLVED ENERGY REGION.

Fig. 1. Codes used to generate CSRL-V libraries

## II.F. Thermal Range Processing

A feature of the code used to process the CSRL-V multigroup data (XLACS2) is the ability to process normal ENDF/B data in the fast and epithermal energy regions and to couple the data in a consistent fashion with thermal data taken from another ENDF/B evaluation to produce a single full-energy-range master data set. This means, for example, that a multithermal-group master data set can be prepared for hydrogen using the normal ENDF/B hydrogen evaluation for the energy region above the thermal-epithermal cutoff, i.e., for the fast groups, and using an ENDF thermal evaluation containing  $S_{\alpha,\beta}$  data based on a water model for the region below the cutoff energy (the thermal groups). Two advantages of this approach are the convenience of dealing with a single set of processed data and the generation of multigroup cross sections representing the correct distributions for neutrons elastically or inelastically scattered into the thermal range. This procedure was used to process water-bound and polyethylene-bound hydrogen, CSRL-V ID's 1001 and 1301, D<sub>2</sub>O-bound deuterium (1002), and graphite (6312).

Only the very light moderators need the special ENDF thermal evaluations for the preparation of multithermal-group cross sections. For those nuclides which have no special thermal evaluations, XLACS2 allows the following options for generating thermal scattering matrices based on the free gas treatment:

1. The code will generate free gas  $S_{\alpha,\beta}$  data. This process was used with light nuclides --  $A \leq 19$ .
2. The code will use an analytic free gas treatment to generate  $P_0$  thermal matrices. The thermal values are normalized to the free-atom scattering cross section in the epithermal range. This process was used for nuclides with mass  $> 19$  and with no resonances in the thermal range.
3. The same analytic routines used in #2 are used but the scattering matrices are normalized to the average values of the scattering cross section in the thermal range. (Note that this will not preserve the Doppler broadening inherent in the free gas equations unless it is present in the thermal point values.) This approach was used for nuclides with thermal resonances -- nuclides such as <sup>235</sup>U and <sup>240</sup>Pu.

## II.G. Resolved Resonance Processing

Resolved resonance processing for CSRL-V involved the calculation of two arrays of cross-section data for the elastic scattering, n- $\gamma$  capture, and fission reactions, i.e., XLACS2 calculates MT 2 and 1023 data for elastic scattering, MT 18 and 1022 data for fission, and MT 102 and 1021 data for n- $\gamma$  capture. The MT 1021, 1022, and 1023 arrays contain the averaged values of the cross sections for the resonance bodies. These averaged values are weighted over the weighting spectrum specified for the XLACS2 problem.

The MT 18 and MT 102 arrays contain "everything" except the MT 1022 and MT 1021 data, respectively. "Everything" includes the following:

- a. The wings of the resonances (recall that the Nordheim treatment only applies to a region close to the resonance peak.)
- b. The contributions from all  $l=1, 2, 3, \dots$  resonances.
- c. The interference terms (even in the resonance body) for the case of multilevel Breit-Wigner fits.
- d. The ENDF File 3 background data.

Conversely, the calculated MT 2 data are the sum of the above "everything" contributions and the 1023 data, i.e., the MT 2 data are for total elastic scattering.

Data calculated for MT 1, 27, and 101 follow the same rules as for MT 2, 18, and 102. For example,

$$(MT 27) = (MT 101) + (MT 18) \quad (1)$$

$$(MT 101) = \sum_{i=2}^{14} (MT 100+i) \quad (2)$$

### II.H. Fission Spectrum

XLACS2 calculates a full group-to-group fission matrix as a prelude to calculating an averaged fission spectrum. This two-dimensional array is reduced to the one-dimensional array placed on the master library (MT 1018) by the following expression:

$$\bar{x}_g = \frac{\sum_{g'} v_{g'} \sigma_{g'}^f \phi_{g'} X(g' \rightarrow g)}{\sum_{g'} v_{g'} \sigma_{g'}^f \phi_{g'}} \quad (3)$$

### II.I. Format of the CSRL-V Master Library

Among the many types of cross-section libraries that can be produced with the AMPX system (libraries such as ANISN-formatted libraries, CCCC-formatted libraries, "working" libraries, etc.), the format of an AMPX master cross-section library is the most general way to store multigroup neutron cross-section data. Included in a master library are one-dimensional multigroup cross-section data, transfer matrices for elastic and inelastic scattering reactions and for neutron producing reactions [e.g.,  $(n,2n)$ ] with arbitrary orders of scatter for fast and thermal data where required, resonance self-shielding parameters (including Bondarenko factors) for subsequent problem-dependent processing, fission spectrum data, weighting

function data, etc. These data are available in a compacted magic word format to remove extraneous zeros and consequently to substantially reduce tape storage requirements. One-dimensional and transfer matrix data (two-dimensional data) in each CSRL-V master data set are identified by MT number in Table 1. Format of an AMPX master library is given in Ref. 1.

### III. CSRL-V BENCHMARK CALCULATIONS

Data from CSRL-V have been used to calculate performance parameters for the CSEWG TRX-1 and TRX-2 benchmarks<sup>22</sup> and for the Babcock & Wilcox B&W-III and B&W-XX benchmarks.<sup>23</sup> Results of the TRX calculations are summarized in Section III.A and the B&W calculations are summarized in Section III.B. Eigenvalue calculations for selected criticality safety benchmarks are discussed in Section III.C.

#### III.A. CSEWG TRX-1 and TRX-2 Benchmarks

The CSEWG TRX-1 and TRX-2 benchmarks were water-moderated, fully reflected assemblies with aluminum-clad fuel rods of 1.3%  $^{235}\text{U}$ -enriched uranium. The 0.983-cm-diameter rods were arranged in triangular arrays with lattice spacings of 1.8060 and 2.1740 cm and with moderator/fuel volume ratios of 2.35 and 4.02 for TRX-1 and TRX-2, respectively. Integral parameters which were measured at the center of each lattice included the epithermal/thermal ratio of  $^{238}\text{U}$  capture ( $\rho^{28}$ ) and of  $^{235}\text{U}$  fission ( $\delta^{25}$ ), the ratio of  $^{235}\text{U}$  capture to  $^{235}\text{U}$  fission ( $C^*$ ), and the ratio of  $^{238}\text{U}$  fission to  $^{235}\text{U}$  fission ( $\delta^{28}$ ).

Problem-dependent cross sections processed from CSRL-V were used to calculate the benchmark performance parameters. A typical code calculational sequence is depicted in Fig. 2. Axial bucklings given in Ref. 22 were used to determine the representative assembly cylinder heights for the discrete ordinates calculations.

Calculated performance parameters for TRX-1 and TRX-2 are compared in Tables 2 and 3, respectively, with experimental values and with the average of ENDF/B-V calculations by laboratories which contributed to the CSEWG ENDF/B-V thermal benchmark studies.<sup>24</sup> CSRL-V calculations for TRX-1 were made with the 227-group CSRL-V data. TRX-2 calculations were made with a 27-group subset of the fine-group CSRL-V cross sections. The TRX-2 cell-averaged flux was used to collapse the CSRL-V data sets to the broad-group structure.

Comparison of the CSRL-V results with the CSEWG results shows that  $\rho^{28}$  for both TRX-1 and TRX-2 is higher (~2%) than the CSEWG average, which in turn is higher than the experimental  $\rho^{28}$ . This parameter strongly influences  $k_{\text{eff}}$ . The CSRL-V eigenvalue is ~0.3% lower than the CSEWG average  $k_{\text{eff}}$  for both TRX-1 and TRX-2. In depth studies are in progress to either substantiate the CSRL-V results or to identify the cause(s) of the discrepancies.

## TYPICAL BENCHMARK CALCULATIONAL SEQUENCE

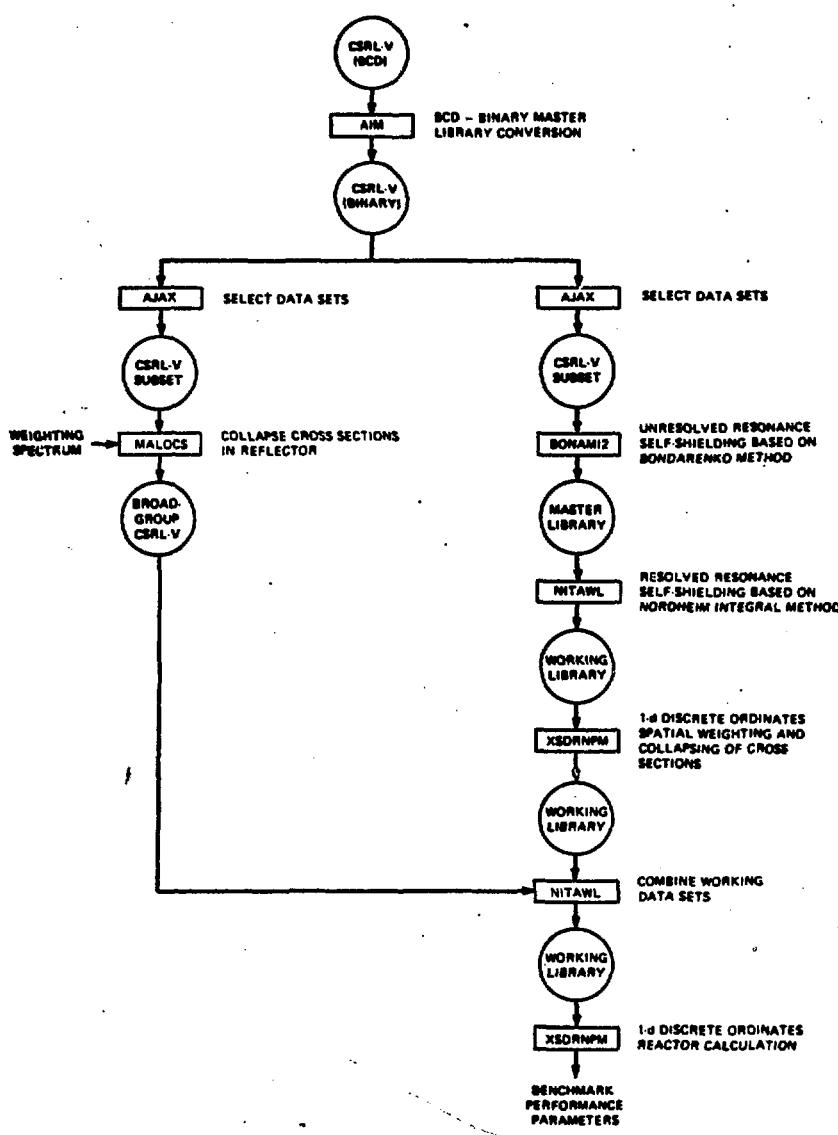


Fig. 2. Typical benchmark calculational sequence

Table 2. Integral Parameters for TRX-1

Parameter <sup>a</sup>	Experiment	ENDF/B-V Calculation		$\left(\frac{\text{Calc.}}{\text{Exp.}}\right) - 1 \times 100$	
		Five-Lab Average <sup>b</sup>	CSRL-V	5-Lab. Avg.	CSRL-V
$\rho^{28}$	$1.320 \pm 0.021$	$1.359 \pm 0.016$	1.388	3.0	5.2
$\delta^{25}$	$0.0987 \pm 0.0010$	$0.1003 \pm 0.0010$	0.09984	1.6	1.2
$\delta^{28}$	$0.0946 \pm 0.0041$	$0.0989 \pm 0.0003$	0.09824	4.5	3.8
$C^*$	$0.797 \pm 0.008$	$0.798 \pm 0.005$	0.8081	0.1	1.4
$k_{\text{eff}}$	1.0	$0.9961 \pm 0.0031$	0.9929	-0.39	-0.71

<sup>a</sup> Parameter definitions (measured at core center):

$\rho^{28}$  = ratio of epithermal-to-thermal  $^{238}\text{U}$  capture

$\delta^{25}$  = ratio of epithermal-to-thermal  $^{235}\text{U}$  fissions

$\delta^{28}$  = ratio of  $^{238}\text{U}$  fissions to  $^{235}\text{U}$  fissions

$C^*$  = ratio of  $^{238}\text{U}$  captures to  $^{235}\text{U}$  fissions

<sup>b</sup> Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI), ORNL (not this work), Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL), Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories (CRNL), and Combustion Engineering, Inc. (CE) results as reported by Weisbin, Hardy et al. as a part of the CSEWG ENDF/B-V data testing program.<sup>24</sup>

Table 3. Integral Parameters for TRX-2

Parameter	Experiment	ENDF/B-V Calculation			$\left( \frac{\text{Calc.} - 1}{\text{Exp.}} \right) \times 100$	
		Four-Lab Average <sup>a</sup>	27-Group CSRL-V	4-Lab. Avg.	27-Gp. CSRL-V	
$\rho^{28}$	$0.837 \pm 0.016$	0.846	0.865	1.1		3.3
$\delta^{15}$	$0.0614 \pm 0.0008$	0.0614	0.0612	0.0		-0.33
$\delta^{28}$	$0.0693 \pm 0.0035$	0.0699	0.0696	0.9		0.43
C*	$0.647 \pm 0.006$	0.642	0.648	-0.8		0.15
$k_{\text{eff}}$	1.0	0.9984	0.9948	-0.16		-0.52

<sup>a</sup> EPRI, ORNL (not this work), CRNL, and CE results reported by Weisbin, Hardy et al. as a part of the CSEWG ENDF/B-V data testing program.<sup>24</sup>

### III.B. B&W-XIII and B&W-XX Benchmarks

CSRL-V data were used to calculate eigenvalues for two slightly-enriched (2.46%  $^{235}\text{U}$ )  $\text{UO}_2$ , water-moderated critical assembly experiments reported by the Babcock & Wilcox Company — B&W-XIII and B&W-XX. The critical assembly was erected in a 5-foot-diameter by 6.5-foot-high aluminum core tank mounted inside an existing 9-foot-diameter tank. Fuel rods consisted of pellets in 1.206-cm-diameter, 156.4-cm-long, aluminum-clad cylinders arranged in a 1.511 cm lattice pitch. Nonmoderator-to-moderator volume ratio was 1.001. The two experiments differed in the presence (or absence) of boron in the moderator, the number of fuel rods and the radial and axial parameters as follows:

Core No.	Boron in moderator (gm B/l)	Number of fuel rods	Radial parameters (cm)		Axial parameters (cm)	
			Core radius	Reflector thickness	Moderator height	Reflector thickness
XIII	0	596	20.82	55.38	141.1	12.3
XX	1.675	5137	61.11	15.09	93.2	60.2

Calculated eigenvalues for B&W-XIII and B&W-XX are compared in Table 4 with eigenvalues calculated with two other ENDF/B-V cross-section libraries— the 97-group EPRI-CELL (E-C/PDQ) and a 127-group in-house library used in other thermal benchmarking studies. The E-C/PDQ values were obtained by EPRI by feeding cell-averaged, broad-group cross-sections computed with the EPRI-CELL code into a 1-d PDQ diffusion theory calculation. The 127-group results used a Bondarenko resonance shielding calculation with the same background cross sections ( $\sigma_0$ 's) as in the EPRI-CELL calculation, which partially accounts for the good agreement with the E-C/PDQ results. The cell-averaging and 1-d core calculation for the 127-group library was done with XSDRNPM. Note that again the CSRL-V NITAWL-XSDRNPM eigenvalue results are lower than the other methods.

Table 4. Calculated Eigenvalues for B&W-XIII and -XX Lattices

Parameter	Calculated Eigenvalue			$\frac{(\text{Calculated} - \text{Experimental})}{\text{Experimental}} \times 100$				
	E-C/PDQ	127-Group	XSDRN	CSRL-V	E-C/PDQ	127-Group	XSDRN	CSRL-V
B&W-XIII $k_{\infty}$	1.327	1.328	1.320	—	—	—	—	—
B&W-XIII $k_{\text{eff}}$	1.003	1.002	0.995	0.3	0.2	—	-0.5	—
B&W-XX	1.089	1.089	1.084	—	—	—	—	—
B&W-XX	1.002	1.000	0.995	0.2	0.0	—	-0.5	—

### III.C. Criticality Safety Benchmarks

Adequacy of the CSRL-V group structure and validity of selected data sets from the library were further tested by a series of  $P_3$   $S_8$  fine- and broad-group calculations of k-eff for a series of criticality safety benchmarks. Characteristics of five selected uranium solution experiments with various  $H/^{235}U$  atom ratios are given in Table 5. The experiments were water-reflected and unreflected critical spheres of uranyl nitrate or uranyl fluoride aqueous solutions. Calculated eigenvalues for the benchmarks are given in Table 6. CSRL-V results are compared with results obtained using the 16-group  $P_1$  Hansen-Roach cross-section library.<sup>29</sup>

Table 5. Critical Conditions for Bare and Reflected Spheres

Experiment Designation	Sphere Radius (cm)		Atom Density <sup>a</sup> (atoms/bn-cm)								Reflector Condition	Reference	
	Inner	Outer	233U	233Ra	235U	238U	H	O	F	U	B		
CS1	11.32 <sup>b</sup>	11.68	8.70-6	5.326-4	4.38-6	4.73-3	6.336-2	3.31-2	1.794-3			Reflected	25
CS2	12.30 <sup>b</sup>	12.35 <sup>b</sup>	2.37-6	2.429-4	1.31-6	1.14-5	6.353-2	3.30-2	5.214-4			Reflected	26
CS4	25.39 <sup>b</sup>		7.09-7	1.161-4	9.00-7	2.104-3	5.489-2	3.31-2	4.607-3			Bare	
CS5	18.35 <sup>b</sup>	18.50	1.65-6	1.533-4	9.20-7	9.36-6	6.538-2	3.40-2		3.37-4		Bare	27
CS7	34.00 <sup>b</sup>	34.92		6.796-3		4.33-6	6.603-2	3.39-2		2.35-4	1.28-3		

<sup>a</sup> Sphere constructed of Al ( $6.016 \times 10^{-2}$  atoms/bn cm).

<sup>b</sup> Container wall, supporting members, and solution filling correction of 16.8% is made to calculated eigenvalues.

<sup>c</sup> Atom densities given as a number and an exponent, e.g., 1.00-1 means  $1.00 \times 10^{-1}$ .

Table 6. Calculated Results for Uranium Solution Critical Experiments

Experiment Designation	Experiment Description	H/U-235 Atom Ratio	Hansen-Roach 16 Group, P1	$k_{eff} \left( \frac{\text{Calculated}}{\text{Experimental}} - 1 \right) \times 100$	CSRL-V
CS1	93.2% enriched uranyl fluoride solution	76.1	0.0	0.19	
CS2	spheres, infinite water reflector	269.8	-0.37	0.07	
CS4	4.98% enriched uranyl fluoride solution sphere	490.0	-1.20	-0.30	
CS5	93.2% enriched uranyl nitrate solution sphere	425.1	-0.79	0.15	
CS7	Borated 93.2% enriched uranyl nitrate solution sphere	971.6	0.45	-0.58	

#### IV. CONCLUSIONS AND FUTURE OBJECTIVES

The CSRL-V AMPX master and pointwise cross-section libraries are available on magnetic tape from the Radiation Shielding Information Center in a package identified as DLC-095/CSRL-V.<sup>a</sup> Documentation for the library is given in Ref. 1.

CSRL-V eigenvalue results for the thermal reactor benchmarks were slightly lower than ENDF/B-V based results reported by others. Possible reasons for the differences are being investigated.

ENDF/B-V Special Purpose Dosimetry, Activation, and Gas Production Files are being processed for CSRL-V. Photon-production and photon-interaction libraries are in the planning stage.

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