Computer Code Abstracts

EXTERMINATOR

- 1. Name of Code: EXTERMINATOR¹
- Computer for Which Code is Designed: IBM-7090 with at least 12 tape units. Programming System: FORTRAN, FAP.
- 3. Nature of Problem Solved: The multigroup, two-dimensional neutron diffusion equations are solved in XY, RZ, or $R\theta$ geometry using the EQUIPOISE method².
- 4. Restrictions on the Complexity of the Problem:
 - IMAX = maximum number of rows
 - JMAX = maximum number of columns
 - KMAX = maximum number of groups
 - MMAX = maximum number of different compositions
 - NMAX = maximum number of nuclides

Then

Let

- 3 ≤ IMAX ≤ 250 3 ≤ JMAX ≤ 250 1 ≤ KMAX ≤ 50
 - $1 \leq KWAX \leq 50$
 - 1 ≤ MMAX ≤ 500 9 ≤ IMAX * JMAX ≤ 20000
 - $3 \leq IMAX + SMAX \leq 2000$ $3 \leq IMAX + KMAX \leq 2000$
- $18 \leq JMAX * (5 + KMAX) \leq 2000$
- $0 \leq MMAX * NMAX \leq 6300$
- $1 \leq \text{KMAX} * \text{MMAX} \leq 1000$
- $1 \le \text{KMAX} ** 2 * \text{MMAX} \le 10000$
- 5. Typical Running Time: The calculation rate varies from 0.0018 to 0.0035 sec/point/iteration/group. The running times of some typical problems were:

Points	Groups	No.Iter.	Time(Min)	Rate
2500	2	100	15	0.0018
2254	4	85	37	0.0029
2500	6	100	50	0.0020
1681	16	106	162	0.0034

- 6. Unusual Features of the Code:
 - A. Three outer-boundary conditions may be imposed; zero flux, zero normal derivative, or periodic, in which case the fluxes along the top and bottom rows of the reactor are identical. The internal logarithmic derivative boundary condition may also be specified.
 - B. Eigenvalue problems, constant source problems, or poison search problems may be solved.

- C. Input cross sections may be macroscopic, microscopic, or both. Microscopic cross sections may be used from a previously made tape, from cards, or both.
- D. The code takes into account scattering from any group to any other group.
- E. Either point relaxation or single line relaxation may be used in the solution of a problem. Convergence is accelerated by means of the extrapolated Liebmann process in which the extrapolated Liebmann coefficient is made to vary as necessary during the course of a calculation to obtain reasonable convergence rates. When the convergence rate drops below a certain level, the fluxes are extrapolated by means of the Aitken- δ^2 process. In cell problems and in problems in which the groups are not well coupled, a group rebalancing procedure is used to accelerate convergence³.
- F. The level of convergence of a problem is indicated by pointwise flux convergence, eigenvalue convergence, a pointwise flux convergence criterion modified by the estimated rate of convergence, and neutron balances for each group.
- G. Although EXTERMINATOR is programmed mostly in FORTRAN, FAP coded subroutines are used to permit buffered tape operations. To gain efficient use of tape operation and to be able to recover from tape errors, the tapes containing group constants are duplicated. During the iterative part of the calculation, two tapes (one from each of two channels) are reading into core buffer regions and two tapes are rewinding while the program is calculating new fluxes with previously read data. Since the 'compute time' is approximately equal to the 'tape time,' EXTERMINATOR runs at computer speed.
- 7. Present Status: In Use.
- 8. References:
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WIGLE

- 1. Name of Program WIGLE
- 2. Computer for Which Program is Designed Philco-2000

Programming System: FORTRAN

WIGLE has been compiled only on the Philco-2000 computer and runs on this computer under control of the BKSB monitor system². Input is read and processed by calls on the INPF subroutine package³, and the program can be run on another computer only if INPF is available on that computer or if the input section of the program is rewritten.

3. Nature of Problem Solved: WIGLE is a onedimensional, two-group, diffusion theory program which computes the space-time behavior of a reactor during a transient associated with a time-dependent change of reactor parameters. Either zero, one, or six delayed neutron groups may be treated. The solution is obtained in slab geometry with a zero flux or zero gradient condition applied at each boundary. All macroscopic parameters are assumed to vary linearly with time; the initial and final values are provided by region in the input. Under option, these parameters may be held fixed beyond a specified time step. The source is provided pointwise in the input and may be altered twice during the course of a problem.

- 4. Method of Solution: The time part of the WIGLE equations is solved by the central difference method, the time steps being arbitrary numbers supplied as input. On option, the time derivatives of either or both group fluxes may be suppressed. At each time step the spatial equations are solved by a simultaneous inversion of the two-group operator; thus no spatial iteration is required.
- 5. Restrictions: The limitations on mesh points, regions and time steps are 200, 10 and 500.
- 6. Typical Running Time: A nine-point problem with 150 time steps runs in about five seconds.
- 7. Present Status: In use.
- 8. References:

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