

OECD/NEA Meeting: WPEC SG42

“Thermal Scattering Kernel $S(\alpha, \beta)$: Measurement, Evaluation and Application”

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SG42 Meeting Preliminaries

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Agenda

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SG-42

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Tuesday, May 15, 2018

10:00 – 12:00	SG42 meeting	Room CC 20
10:00 – 10:30	Welcome	Ayman I. HAWARI Gilles NOGUERE
10:30 – 11:00	NNL TSL evaluation work for ENDF/B-VIII.1	Michael L. ZERKLE
11:00 – 11:30	Thermal Scattering Physics Methods with Modeling Tools and Experiments	Jesse HOLMES
11:30 – 12:00	Contribution of Thermal Scattering Libraries from the Nuclear Data Group at Centro Atomico Bariloche	Florencia CANTARGI
12:00 – 12:30	GNDS-1.9 & future TSL format	David BROWN
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00 – 18:00	Joint session SG44/SG42/GNDS	

Wednesday, May 16, 2018

9:00 – 18:00	SG42 meeting	
9:00 – 9:30	Investigation of frequency spectrum of light water to generate thermal scattering law	Vaibhav JAISWAL
9:30 – 10:00	The new thermal neutron scattering measurements and analysis	Emily LIU
10:00 – 10:30	Recent Developments in Thermal Scattering Data and Methods at NCSU	Ayman I. HAWARI
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00 – 11:30	TSL activities in the frame of the NAUSICAA collaboration	Gilles NOGUERE
11:30 – 12:30	Preparation of the final report	all
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch Break	
14:00 – 16:00	Preparation of the final report	all
16:00 – 16:30	Coffee Break	
16:30 – 18:00	Preparation of the final report	all

SG42 Final Report

Draft version, SG42 report, 04/2018

SG42 Report Outline

1) Introduction/context

2) Theory: Development of evaluation methods and tools

Discussions of the different approaches, given that the major development over the past 20 years is the implementation of atomistic simulation methods to support TSL evaluation.

3) Experiments: Theory-Measurement connections

- Microscopic data \Rightarrow Transmission experiments, inelastic scattering experiments ...
- Semi-integral data \Rightarrow slowing down experiments
- Integral data \Rightarrow ICSBEP, IRPhE, non public benchmarks ...

4) Evaluation: progress on various materials and recent contributions to databases

- Reactor applications
- Criticality applications
- Neutron beam applications
- Cold neutron sources

5) Data format issues - GND format

- TSL library format
- TSL uncertainties

6) Summary and recommendations

APPENDIX if needed, such as LEAPR inputs and MCNP inputs of interest for this work.

Discussions : Development of evaluation methods and tools

⇒ The major development over the past 20 years is the implementation of atomistic simulation methods to support TSL evaluation

- Recommendations to correctly use these methods
- Limits/advantages
- Others

TABLE XLVII: Summary of the origins of and recent changes to the thermal neutron scattering (**thermal_scatt**) sublibrary. Evaluations modified for ENDF/B-VIII.0 are given in bold. Note all files were modified to correct the MAT numbering of the sublibrary.

File name	Main source	Last mod.	Lab.	Year	Note
tsl-ortho-D.endf	ENDF/B-VII.0	2016	LANL	1993	
tsl-para-D.endf	ENDF/B-VII.0	2016	LANL	1993	
tsl-ortho-H.endf	ENDF/B-VII.0	2016	LANL	1993	
tsl-para-H.endf	ENDF/B-VII.0	2016	LANL	1993	
tsl-013_Al_027.endf	ENDF/B-VII.0	2016	LANL	2005	
tsl-026_Fe_056.endf	ENDF/B-VII.0	2016	LANL	2005	
tsl-Be-metal.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2016	DFT/AILD
tsl-BeinBeO.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2016	DFT/AILD
tsl-OinBeO.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2016	DFT/AILD
tsl-HinH2O.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	CAB (Argentina)	2016	MD
tsl-HinIceH.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	BAPL	2016	
tsl-OinIceH.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	BAPL	2016	DFT/AILD
tsl-DinD2O.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	CAB (Argentina)	2016	MD
tsl-OinD2O.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	CAB (Argentina)	2016	MD
tsl-benzene.endf	ENDF-269	2017	GA	1969	Corrected spelling; No LEAPR inputs available
tsl-HinC5O2H8.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2015	MD
tsl-HinCH2.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2015	MD
tsl-l-CH4.endf	ENDF/B-VII.0	2016	LANL	1993	
tsl-s-CH4.endf	ENDF/B-VII.0	2016	LANL	1993	
tsl-graphite.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2016	DFT/AILD
tsl-reactor-graphite.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2016	DFT/AILD
tsl-CinSiC.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2014	DFT/AILD
tsl-SiinSiC.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2014	DFT/AILD
tsl-SiO2-alpha.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2011	DFT/AILD
tsl-SiO2-beta.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2011	DFT/AILD

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tsl-HinYH2.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	BAPL	2016	DFT/AILD
tsl-YinYH2.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	BAPL	2016	DFT/AILD
tsl-HinZrH.endf	ENDF/B-VII.0	2016	LANL	1993	
tsl-ZrinZrH.endf	ENDE/B-VII.0	2016	LANL	1993	
tsl-OinUO2.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2016	DFT/AILD
tsl-UinUO2.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2016	NCSU	2016	DFT/AILD
tsl-NinUN.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2017	NCSU	2017	DFT/AILD
tsl-UinUN.endf	ENDF/B-VIII.0	2017	NCSU	2017	DFT/AILD

⇒ However, final results are still accommodated to LEAPR formalism

- How to improve this approach
 - New evaluation tools
 - Improved theoretical treatment
- Accuracy of the results (VVUQ)
- Others ...

Discussions : Theory-Measurements Connections

- ⇒ **Experimental validation of the calculated DOS (vDOS vs. gDOS)**
 - To be discussed

- ⇒ **Experimental validation of the double-differential neutron cross sections using TOF chopper spectrometers (inelastic measurements)**
 - Difficult to achieve good agreement between calculated and experimental results
 - Origin of the discrepancies are difficult to identify (Simulation or LEAPR ?)
 - Others ...

- ⇒ **Experimental validation of the neutron total cross section using transmission technique**
 - Easy to perform
 - Limited number of facilities
 - Difficult to get experimental results below 1 meV
 - Others

- ⇒ **Experimental validation using slowing down experiments**
 - To be discussed

- ⇒ **Experimental validation using integral benchmarks**
 - They only give trends
 - Sensitivity studies are needed to identify the various contributions
 - Others ...

Discussions : Data Format Issues

⇒ Data format requirements for LEAPR parameters

- Make clear the LEAPR input parameter files
- Others

⇒ Data format requirements for MF=7

- To be discussed

⇒ Data format requirements for covariance matrix

- LEPAR parameter covariance
- Covariance matrix for MTs in MF=7