IAEA Nuclear Data Section 50th Anniversary

50 Years of Achievement

.... and some personal observations extended version

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International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) Addressing Humanitarian Concerns Mission Statement:

- an independent intergovernmental, science and technology-based organization, in the United Nations family, that serves as the global focal point for nuclear cooperation
- assist Member States, in the context of social and economic goals, in planning for and using nuclear science and technology for various peaceful purposes, including the generation of electricity, and facilitate the transfer of such technology and knowledge in a sustainable manner to developing Member States
- develop nuclear safety standards and, based on these standards, promote the achievement and maintenance of high levels of safety in applications of nuclear energy, as well as the protection of human health and the environment against ionizing radiation
- verify through its inspection system that States comply with their commitments, under the Non-Proliferation Treaty and other non-proliferation agreements, to use nuclear material and facilities only for peaceful purposes

International Atomic Energy Agency



Nuclear Data Section: major programme links

Major Programme 1

Nuclear Science and Technology:

Nuclear Data and Physics

Major Programme 2

Nuclear Techniques for Development and Environmental Protection:

- Food and Agriculture
- Human Health
- Water Resources
- Protection of the Marine and Terrestrial Environments
- Physical and Chemical Applications

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Department of Nuclear Energy

Foster the efficient and safe use of nuclear power by supporting existing and new nuclear programmes around the world, catalysing innovation and building indigenous capability in energy planning, analysis, and nuclear information and knowledge

Department of Nuclear Sciences and Applications

Contribute to sustainable development in Member States by the use of nuclear sciences and their applications in food and agriculture, human health, industry, water resource management and environmental monitoring and protection



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Industrial Applications and Chemistry
Isotope Hydrology
Nuclear Data
Physics
Hydrology Laboratory
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Water Resources
Nuclear Data Services

Division of Physical and Chemical Sciences

Nuclear technologies contribute in many ways to the health, prosperity and security of both the developed and developing countries. The effective development of new nuclear technologies and the safe and economical maintenance of existing technologies both rely on a thorough understanding of the underlying physical and chemical processes.

The Division of Physical and Chemical Sciences (NAPC), located within the IAEA Department of Nuclear Sciences and Applications (NA), is responsible for carrying out Agency activities to assist and advise Member States (MS) in assessing their needs for capacity building and research and development in the nuclear sciences, as well as in supporting the MS activities for deriving benefits in specific fields, including:

- Atomic, molecular and nuclear data
- Nuclear and radiation techniques, their applications and allied instrumentation
- Utilization of research reactors and particle accelerators
- Radioisotopes and radiopharmaceuticals
- Radiation processing applications
- Radiation technology and isotopic tracers for industrial processes
- Isotope hydrology and water resources management
- Nuclear fusion

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Positron Emission Tomography in Research and Diagnostics 16-19 May2012 Warsaw

Nuclear Data Section

- responsible for the <u>development</u> and <u>dissemination</u> of atomic and nuclear data for applications through such activities as
 - provision of comprehensive, high-quality databases
 - data compilation and evaluation
 - data services, data networks and user support (documents, CDs, DVDs)
 - appropriate training by means of local, national and international workshops
 - development of data standards and evaluation methods
- scientists in Member States are assisted in their evolution of local capabilities for the generation and application of atomic and nuclear data

Nuclear Data Section Mission and Functions

Objectives

To increase capabilities and expertise of MS to ensure the safe and economic adoption of all forms of nuclear technologies by providing rapid access to reliable atomic and nuclear data for energy and non-energy applications.

Advisory Bodies: International Nuclear Data Committee (INDC); A&M Data Sub-committee of IFRC

Nuclear data: www-nds.iaea.org/ Atomic and molecular data: www-amdis.iaea.org/

Scope of Functions

- Provide up-to-date, reliable and quality information on (a) nuclear data and (b) atomic & molecular (A&M) data
- Participate and facilitate in compilation and evaluation of data
- Refine/update data in specific areas specialized databases
- Continuously evolve data dissemination tools
- Training workshops
- Work in tandem with other major data centres

Collaboration, Networking and Partnership Synergies

- Nuclear Data Centres: NNDC, BNL/USA; OECD-NEA/France; IPPE, Obninsk, Russia
- Nuclear reaction data centres network (NRDC)
- A+M data centres network
- Nuclear structure and decay data evaluators network (NSDD)
- ICTP, Trieste, Italy training workshops
- Mirror sites, 2014
 - BARC, India: www-nds.indcentre.org.in/
 - CNDC, CIAE, China: www-nds.ciae.ac.cn/
- links within the IAEA



Quantity + Quality + Verification + Rapid access

International collaboration

between national and international data centres

Continuous effort

1. Reaction data

- → neutron, charged-particle and photon cross sections
- → interactions with target nuclei, atoms and molecules as a function of energy of projectile

ALADDIN: atomic and molecular data

EXFOR: neutron and charged-particle data compilations

ENDF/B: national and international evaluations

- 2. Structure and decay data
 - → nuclear energy levels, half-lives and radioactive decay (α , β , γ),

ENSDF

ENDF/B

3. Plasma interaction data

- collision databases
- H neutral beam database
- particle-surface interactions

International Nuclear Data Committee (INDC)

International Fusion Research Council Subcommittee on Atomic and Molecular Data for Fusion

Oversee IAEA nuclear and A+M data activities, respectively

Scope, as defined in 1960s: these committees to serve as a means of promoting international cooperation in all phases of nuclear and A+M data activities of usefulness to nuclear programmes, and of advising the Director-General of the IAEA in these fields.

Compilations, nomenclature and information exchanges; measurement and interpretation; equipment and techniques; equipment and personnel exchanges; research proposals; scientific and technical meetings; advise DG

..... other topics and data applications developed and added since.

Nuclear Reaction Data Centres Network, past and present

INDC(NDS)-324

IAEA, Nuclear Data Section OECD-NEA, NEA Data Bank, France NNDC, Brookhaven National Laboratory, USA Photonuclear Data Center, Washington DC, USA Fachinformationszentrum Karlsruhe, Germany Karlsruhe Charged Particle Group, Germany CJD, Obninsk, Russia CAJaD, Moscow, Russia **CDFE**, Moscow, Russia **CNPD, Centre of Nuclear Physics Data, Sarov, Russia UKRNDC, Ukrainian Nuclear Data Centre, Kiev, Ukraine CNDC**, Chinese Nuclear Data Centre, Beijing, China **ATOMKI**, Debrecen, Hungary **RIKEN**, Wako-Shi, Japan **JCPRG**, Sapporo, Japan JAEA (ex-JAERI), Tokai-Mura, Japan **KAERI/NDEL**, Yusong, Republic of Korea

etc.....

Network of Nuclear Structure and Decay Data Evaluators, past and present

NNDC, Brookhaven National Laboratory, USA

IAEA. Nuclear Data Section ORNL, Tennessee, USA **INEL, Idaho, USA** LBNL, California, USA Triangle University Nuclear Laboratory, North Carolina, USA Cyclotron Institute, Texas A&M, Texas, USA Tandem Accelerator Laboratory, McMaster University, Hamilton, Canada **CEN Grenoble, France** Laboratorium voor Kernfysics, Gent, Belgium Kernforschungszentrum, Eggenstein-Leopoldshafen, Germany University of Liverpool, Liverpool, UK Fysisch Laboratorium, Utrecht, the Netherlands Institute of Physics, Lund, Sweden **ATOMKI**, Debrecen, Hungary **IFIN-HH**, Bucharest-Magurele, Romania Kurchatov Institute of Atomic Energy, Moscow, Russia St. Petersburg Nuclear Physics Institute, Russia Kuwait Institute of Scientific Research, Kuwait Indian Institute of Technology, Roorkee, India Manipal University, Karnataka, India Institute of Atomic Energy, Beijing, China Jilin University, Changchun, China JAEA (ex-JAERI), Tokai-Mura, Japan ANU, Canberra, Australia

etc.....

A&M Data Centre Network, past and present

IAEA, Nuclear Data Section

LANL, New Mexico, USA **ORNL**, Tennessee, USA NIST, Gaithersburg, Maryland, USA Princeton University, New Jersey, USA Harvard-Smithsonian Centre for Astrophysics (ITAMP), Massachusetts, USA GAPHYOR, Universite de Paris, France Forschungszentrum Jülich, Germany University of Strathclyde, Glasgow, UK University College London, UK **ENEA**, Bologna, Italy Institut Atomnoi Energii, Moscow, Russia National Research Centre Kurchatov Institute, Moscow, Russia **CJaDFEI**, Obninsk, Russia **CNDC**, Institute of Atomic Energy, Beijing, China **Institute of Applied Physics and Computational Mathematics**, Beijing, China Institute of Plasma Physics, Nagoya University, Japan **JAEA**, Ibaraki, Japan NIFS, Mukoyama, Gifu-ken, Japan **KAERI**, Daejeon, Republic of Korea National Fusion Research Institute, Yuseong-Gu, Republic of Korea etc.....

NDU/NDS: 1964 → 1974

- definition of and problems with compilation activities, C.H. Westcott, 1963
- DASTAR/CINDU neutron data storage/retrieval system led on to EXFOR/CINDA
- CINDA began in 1965 bibliographic index of neutron cross-section data first published by the IAEA in 1971 (CINDA 71)
- first meeting of the International Nuclear Data Committee, Vienna, 13-17 May 1968 (although existed previously in the form of INDSWG and interim INDC)
- organisation of "four-centre" neutron data meetings, and development of EXFOR in 1969/70 (international EXperimental neutron data exchange FORmat and system)
- implementation from 1973 of symposia → consultancies → technical meetings at regular intervals (every ~ 10 years) to consider and review intermediate and longerterm nuclear data needs (exercise extended to A+M data at a later date)
- preparation and supply of samples for worldwide nuclear experiments
- modest data reviews undertaken within NDS, and published regularly in Atomic Energy Review
- regular translation of Russian nuclear data documents/papers into English for release as INDC(CCP) reports

Data Developments, 1964 → 1974

- NDS coordination of WRENDA <u>World REquests list for</u> <u>Nuclear DAta</u> – first release as RENDA 72 for neutron data
- additional data request lists also maintained to focus on fusion and safeguards
- IAEA panel on fission product nuclear data, Bologna, 26-30 November 1973
- review of Pu-239/U-235 fission cross section ratio, and U-238 capture cross section/U-235 fission ratio
- Pu-239 alpha, and Pu-239 capture to fission ratio
- reviews of neutron dosimetry cross sections
- neutron standard cross sections
- regular data review of reactor burn-up physics
- prompt fission neutron spectra
- compilations of nubar data (Manero and Konshin)

1964 → 1974: quotes

".... anticipated that the NDU **may** be encouraged by the INDC to continue to be involved in a **small** way in evaluation."

Definition of Nuclear Data, INDC(NDU)-10, May 1969:

in the context of (the NDU) programme, the term "nuclear data" refers to numerical and associated information pertinent to measured, deduced or calculated microscopic neutron cross sections, related fission, capture and scattering parameters, resonance and reaction parameters of neutron induced reactions, as well as other related physical constants used in reactor design.

1964 → 1974: quotes

H.D. Lemmel et al., INDC(NDS)-01, 1968:

..... perhaps well to state some views about objectives:

(a). that data taken at considerable expense should be made available immediately to the scientific and technical community

- by no means should they become inaccessible or lost;

(b). that data centres should offer a variety of services, so that various data users can exploit the data files;

(c). that the local and regional data centres should be well coordinated within an international data system in order to furnish greatest access to data with minimum duplication of effort.

NDS: 1974 → 1984

Expansion: after a three-year trial from January 1977 \rightarrow December 1979, the programme dedicated to A&M data for fusion became part of the overall programme of the Nuclear Data Section on 1 January 1980

Quarterly issues of the International Bulletin on Atomic and Molecular Data for Fusion, from July 1977

CIAMDA: <u>Computerised Index of A+M</u> collision <u>Data</u>, later extended as

AMBDAS: <u>Atomic and Molecular Bibliographic DAta System</u>

NDS: 1974 → 1984

- International Nuclear Structure and Decay Data Evaluators' Network formed in 1975 (ENSDF)
- first meeting of the Nuclear Reaction Data Centres (NRDC) Network, September 1979 (amalgamation of existing charged-particle/photonuclear data centres network and "four-centre" network)
- first Nuclear Data Newsletter, September 1979
- first meeting of the A+M Data Centre Network, 9-13 May 1977
- first meeting of IFRC Subcommittee on Atomic and Molecular Data for Fusion, 19/20 January 1981 (following joint IFRC/INDC meetings)
- expansion into addressing atomic data needs in fusion research
- increased activity with respect to training courses and conferences, including inter-regional project "nuclear data techniques and instrumentation"
- launch of biennial IAEA-ICTP training workshop in 1978 dedicated primarily towards Nuclear Reaction Data and Nuclear Reactors: Physics, Design and Safety (also entitled "Nuclear Physics and Reactors")
- addressed data requirements involving nuclear analytical techniques in geophysics
- March 1975 move of NDS to the VIC in the 9th district

Data Developments, 1974 → 1984

- decay data of transactinium nuclides
- intercomparison of evaluations of actinide neutron nuclear data
- atomic collision data for plasma diagnostics
- evaluation of atomic data pertinent to plasma-wall interaction processes
- International Reactor Dosimetry File, IRDF-82
- nuclear data standards for nuclear measurements
- handbook of nuclear activation cross sections
- REAL-80: intercomparison of radiation damage estimates in terms of displacement per atom
- CINDA and EXFOR extended in 1975 to accommodate compilation and dissemination of charged-particle cross-section references and data
- measurement/compilation/evaluation of fission product nuclear data: semi-annual issue of Fission Product Nuclear Data (FPND) Newsletter, beginning in November 1975 with INDC(NDS)-70

NDS: 1984 → 1994

- significant hardware-software acquisitions, assisted by NNDC staff
- international comparison of radioactive inventory calculations in fission reactors for decommissioning purposes
- international benchmark comparison of activation calculations
- international databases of high-priority nuclear cross sections and decay data
- comparison of activation measurements for fusion reactor technology

Data Developments, 1984 → 1994

- nuclear data library for fusion applications (FENDL-1)
- activation cross sections for the generation of long-lived radionuclides of importance in fusion reactor technology
- recommended cross sections for Li atoms interacting with electrons, protons, multiply-charged ions and hydrogen molecules
- nuclear data needs for neutron therapy
- atomic and molecular data for radiotherapy
- handbook of nuclear data for borehole logging and mineral analysis
- methods of calculation of fast neutron cross sections for structural materials of fast fission and fusion reactors

Data Developments, 1984 → 1994

- handbook of nuclear activation data neutron, chargedparticle and photonuclear activation analysis
- improvement of measurements, theoretical computations and evaluation of neutron-induced helium production cross sections
- measurement and analysis of 14-MeV neutron-induced double-differential neutron emission cross sections
- measurement and analysis of neutron emission spectra in (p,n) and (α,n) reactions for determining nuclear level densities
- International Reactor Dosimetry File, IRDF-90, version 2
- X-ray and gamma-ray standards for detector efficiency calibration

Data Developments, 1984 → 1994

- handbook of nuclear data for safeguards, 1991
- atomic and molecular data for fusion plasma edge studies
- plasma-interaction-induced erosion of fusion reactor materials
- atomic data for medium- and high-Z fusion plasma impurities

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- recommended database for state-selective electron capture
- recommended database for light ion reflection from surfaces
- validation and benchmark testing of actinide nuclear data

NDS: 1994 → 2004

- acquisition of relational database management system for more user-friendly access
 - creation and growth of multi-platform databases
 - significant quantitative increases seen in web site access to atomic and nuclear databases
- launch of regular IAEA-ICTP training workshops dedicated towards:
 - medical applications,
 - atomic and molecular data for fusion,
 - nuclear structure and decay data: theory and evaluation

Data Developments, 1994 → 2004

- compilation and evaluation of fission yield data neutroninduced fission below 20 MeV
- nuclear data library for fusion applications (FENDL-2)
- RIPL-1
- radiative cooling rates and fusion impurities
- tritium retention in plasma-facing components
- atomic and plasma-material interaction data
- charge exchange cross-section data for fusion plasma studies
- photon production data
- database of prompt γ rays from slow neutron capture for elemental analysis
- RIPL-2

Data Developments, 1994 → 2004

- update of X- and γ-ray decay data standards
- WIMS-D data library

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- International Reactor Dosimetry File, IRDF-2002
- reference neutron activation library
- charged-particle cross-section database for diagnostic radioisotopes and monitor reactions
- compilation and evaluation of photonuclear data for applications

NDS: 2004 → 2014

- more powerful and attractive web retrieval system implemented
- overhaul of the contents of EXFOR database all known errors addressed
- software and data extensions to ENDF retrieval interface
- development of LiveChart software
- comprehensive electronic documentation
- rejuvenation of ENSDF mass chain evaluation effort
- mirror sites established in China and India

Data Developments, 2004 → 2014

- A+M data for plasma diagnostics
- molecular processes in edge plasmas
- international evaluation of neutron cross-section standards
- nuclear data for the Th-U fuel cycle
- tritium inventory in fusion reactors
- RIPL-3
- nuclear data for the production of therapeutic radionuclides
- Handbook of Nuclear Data for Safeguards (Jan 2007 and Aug 2008)
- fission yields for the transmutation of minor actinide nuclear waste neutron-based fission up to 150 MeV
- reference database for ion beam analysis
- updated decay data library for actinides
- minor actinide neutron reaction data

 nuclear data libraries for advanced systems: fusion applications (FENDL-3)

IAEA-NDS: Strategic Intent in 21st century

- multiplatform: Web, CD-ROM
- relational databases
- primary data: some maintained by continuously updating
- applications data: fission and fusion reactor design, nuclear medicine, analytical science, environmental monitoring
 - i.e. emphasis on applications-specific data

Primary Databases

Compilations of bibliographic information

- references and description of contents

CINDA: <u>Computer Index of Neutron DAta</u> – bibliography of neutron and charged-particle cross-section data <u>www-nds.iaea.org/exfor/cinda.htm</u>

AMBDAS: <u>A</u>tomic and <u>M</u>olecular <u>B</u>ibliographic <u>DA</u>ta <u>System</u> – bibliographic atomic, molecular and plasma-surface interaction data for fusion research from 1950 onwards <u>www-amdis.iaea.org/AMBDAS</u>
Primary Databases

Compilations of **bibliographic** information (continued)

EXFOR: <u>EX</u>change <u>FOR</u>mat – experimental nuclear reaction data compiled regularly through the Network of Nuclear Reaction Data Centres <u>www-nds.iaea.org/exfor/exfor.htm</u>

NSR: <u>N</u>uclear <u>S</u>cience <u>R</u>eferences – bibliographic database for low- and intermediate-energy physics <u>www.nndc.bnl.gov/nsr/</u>

Primary Databases

Evaluated atomic and nuclear data

ALADDIN: atomic, molecular and plasma-surface interaction data for fusion research; compiled through A&M Data Centre Network <u>www-amdis.iaea.org/infoaladdin.php</u>

ENDF-B6: Evaluated Nuclear Data File – various national and international applications libraries of nuclear data; cross sections over a neutron energy range from 10⁻⁵ eV to 20 MeV <u>www-nds.iaea.org/exfor/endf.htm</u>

ENSDF: <u>E</u>valuated <u>Nuclear Structure Data File</u> – nuclear structure and decay data for all known radionuclides; evaluated and compiled through Network of Nuclear Structure and Decay Data Evaluators (NSDD) – published in Nuclear Data Sheets <u>www.nndc.bnl.gov/ensdf/</u>

LiveChart of Nuclides: user-friendly extracts of decay data from ENSDF, plus other highly-relevant nuclear data <u>www-nds.iaea.org/relnsd/vcharthtml/VChartHTML.html</u>

International Data Networks

ALADDIN: Network of A+M Data Centres (for ALADDIN)

EXFOR: Network of Nuclear Reaction Data Centres (NRDC)

ENSDF: Network of International Nuclear Structure and Decay Data Evaluators (NSDD)

Data Services, Data Networks and User Support

Continuous/Recurrent

Views of Member States:

- most important feature of the NDS sub-programme
- rapid request and automatic access to all activities/databases in a user-friendly manner
- respond to all forms of training needs (organise official workshops, and one-to-one)

Data Services, Data Networks and User Support

- 1 Maintain on-line services through relational databases
- 2 Coordinate and compile nuclear reaction data (CINDA/EXFOR), and maintain A+M and network nuclear databases
- 3 Document and publicise available data files (IAEA(NDS)-series reports and ND Newsletter) and prepare reports on atomic and nuclear data in Member States, including translation and publication
- 4 Provide data services to Member States user assistance, data retrievals and dispatch, preparation and distribution of data libraries, files and NDS publications as CD-ROM and hardcopy
- 5 Implement full range of relational databases and, in particular, develop multiplatform web and CD-ROM versions of data services
- 6 Organise biennial review of nuclear data programme by the International Nuclear Data Committee (INDC)

Data Services, Data Networks and User Support

- 7 Organise biennial review of A+M data programme by A+M Data for Fusion Sub-committee of the International Fusion Research Council (IFRC)
- 8 Organise annual coordination meeting of the International Network of Nuclear Reaction Data Centres
- 9 Organise biennial coordination meeting of the International Network of Nuclear Structure and Decay Data Evaluators
- 10 Organise biennial coordination meeting of the International Network of A+M Data Centres and ALADDIN
- 11 Continue development of multiplatform software to exchange information between cooperating nuclear data centres, and manage shared A+M databases
- 12 Maintain nuclear data exchange manuals and thesaurus (CINDA/EXFOR manuals and directories), and A+M manuals and documentation (ALADDIN and AMBDIS)

Data Services, Data Networks and User Support

- 13 Organise workshops at IAEA, Vienna: data libraries and applied technologies
- 14 Upgrade databases and services at existing national and specialized data centres, and install nuclear data services in selected countries
- 15 Coordinate Agency and NEA cooperation in nuclear data activities
- 16 Provide support to organization of 2-week and more workshops at ICTP (two per year, if possible)
- 17 Support scientists from developing countries to attend the International Conference on Nuclear Data for Science and Technology, as held every three years
- 18 Cooperate in organization of the International Conference on the Physics of Electronic and Atomic Collisions

Data services, data networks and user support 2008/09

- 1. Collect accurate and up-to-date atomic and nuclear data, and disseminate to satisfy the needs of users from Member States
- 2. Co-ordinate networks of national and regional data centres, and promote the exchange of atomic and nuclear data for various applications
- 3. Maintain manuals and software for internationally-agreed database formats and exchange procedures
- 4. Improve the methods of providing information to data users, and provide training in the effective use of atomic and nuclear data through workshops

Continuous

Data services, data networks and user support 2008/09

- maintain services
- documentation and "publicity"
- multi-platform activities
- nuclear data mirror services in other countries
- CINDA/EXFOR compilations
- INDC and A+M Subcommittee reviews
- NRDC (yearly) and NSDD (biennial) network meetings
- NEA Data Bank/NDS co-ordination (also to avoid unnecessary duplication)
- workshops (ICTP and IAEA)
- conference support to developing countries

Nuclear Data Standards and Evaluation Methods

Enable users to produce evaluated nuclear data that satisfy the high accuracy and consistency demanded by emerging nuclear technologies through the production of clearly defined evaluation methods and procedures

- as appropriate extend and improve neutron cross-section standards
- maintain files of the international neutron cross-section standards, along with associated evaluation techniques
- extend contents and application of RIPL (Reference Input Parameter Library) as and when required
- maintain comprehensive decay data library of X- and gamma-ray standards for detector calibration and other applications

Nuclear Data for Radiotherapy Using Radioisotopes and External Radiation Sources

Improve data for medical isotope production, and for patient dose delivery calculations in radiotherapy

- as appropriate, instigate relevant CRPs on the measurement and evaluation of nuclear data for the production of existing and emerging diagnostic and therapeutic radioisotopes
- initiate CRPs to include the measurement and evaluation of decay data of existing and emerging diagnostic and therapeutic radioisotopes
- maintain a Website dedicated to nuclear data for medical applications

Atomic and Molecular Data for Fusion Experiments

- 1 Prepare and coordinate annual meetings to support the International Database for Irradiated Graphite [Extrabudgetary]
- 2 Coordinate TM of the International Code Centres Network
- 3 Coordinate CRP on atomic and molecular data for plasma modelling [2005-2008]
- 4 Coordinate CRP on data for surface composition dynamics relevant to erosion processes [2006-2010]
- 5 Coordinate CRP on atomic data for heavy element impurities in fusion reactors [2006-2010]
- 6 Coordinate CRP on atomic and molecular data for burning plasmas
- 7 Coordinate CRP on characterization of size, composition and origins of dust in fusion devices [2008-2012]
- 8 Assessment of the needs and priorities for atomic and molecular data 2009 and 2011
- 9 Coordinate CRP on spectroscopic and collisional data for W from 1 eV to 20 keV
- 10 Coordinate CRP on isotopic ratio diagnostics and control in burning plasmas

Nuclear Data for Reactor Dosimetry and Materials Analysis

Improve the databases of differential and integral parameters, and satisfy the needs of Member States for accurate, high-quality ion beam and neutron activation analysis data

- maintenance of dosimetry data library (IRDF)
- continue development of a reference nuclear database for neutron activation analysis
- continue development of reference nuclear databases for other analysis procedures of significant potential (e.g. ion beam analysis (IBA) and particle-induced gamma-ray emission (PIGE) spectroscopy)

Nuclear Data for Advanced Nuclear Facilities

Improve Member States abilities to optimise plant design, and so reduce engineering margins

- data for advanced systems
- comprehensive decay data library for actinides
- initiate CRP on "Minor Actinide Neutron Reaction Data for Closed Fuel Cycle Reactor Concepts"
- develop and support reference library for neutron transport calculations for advanced systems – database for ADS

Nuclear Data for Advanced Nuclear Facilities

- 1 Coordinate CRP on updated decay data library for actinides [2005-2009]
- 2 Coordinate CRP on minor actinide neutron reaction data (MANREAD) [2007-2011]
- 3 Coordinate CRP on nuclear data library for advanced systems: fusion devices (FENDL-3) [2008-2012]
- 4 Coordinate CRP on neutron scattering for iron, beryllium and deuterium
- 5 Develop and support reference nuclear data libraries for advanced reactor systems, and hold technical meeting
- 6 Review benchmarking of nuclear data for Th/U fuel cycle
- 7 Review of new TAGS measurements, depending on their availability
- 8 Organise major Advisory Group Meeting on long-term needs for nuclear data development
- 9 Coordinate technical meeting on nuclear data applications and measurements for advanced reactor systems

Compilation, Evaluation and Dissemination of Atomic and Nuclear Data

Atomic and nuclear databases

.... and much more www-nds.iaea.org www-amdis.iaea.org

Website - Nuclear Data Services www-nds.iaea.org/



Nuclear Reaction Databases

Database	Contents	Size (January-2003)	Size (April-2013)
EXFOR	experimental nuclear reaction data for incident neutrons, charged particles and photons	13,500 entries 97,000 data sets 400 Mb ASCII-text	19,881 entries 151,661 data sets 539 Mb ASCII-text
CINDA	bibliographical references to experimental nuclear reaction data and to calculations, reviews, compilations and evaluations of neutron reaction and spontaneous fission data	266,000 lines 40,500 publications 32,500 blocks 37 Mb ASCII-text	549,000 lines 90,057 publications 287,062 blocks 97 Mb ASCII-text
ENDF	collection of evaluated data libraries	~300 Mb ASCII (5 basic libraries)	~30 Gb ASCII (43 libraries)

EXFOR: EXchange FORmat, EXFOR data library

- 1970 agreed format and established exchange between USA, NEA, IAEA, USSR
- contains data from approximately 20,000 experiments
- NRDC: 13 nuclear data centres contribute ~500 new entries every year
- since 2005: global data library with central maintenance in the IAEA (NDS)
- Master File (540Mb), 52 dictionaries (2.6Mb), 2 manuals (400 pages)
- Distribution (EXFOR, X4+, C4, XML, html, plots): Web, CD/DVD ROM, FTP
- Databases: MySQL, MS-Access, SyBase
- Software: C, Java (GUI-Applications, Servlets), Fortran
- Connection (import-export) to other databases: ENDF, CINDA, NSR

EXFOR Request Form





EXFOR Output Form





Data for plotting: ZVD (724Kb), send to ZVView; download ZVView; upload and plot your ZVD file

LiveChart

Half life color code, value in seconds:

10 8.2E-4 **1**.4E-2 **4**.6E-2 **1**.E-1 **2**.3E-1 **0**.5 **0**.9 **1**.8 **3**.5 **6**.2 **1**2 **2**3.5 **4**3 **8**3.4 **1**.6E2 **2**.9E2 **6**E2 **1**.3E3 **8**.6E3 **8**.6E3 **1**.4E4 **1**.4E5 **1**.1E6 **8**E7 **1**E1



LiveChart colour code - examples

Fission yields



Mass excess



Decay mode



Half-life



Examples of queries

Selection of nuclides with half-lives between 1 and 10 mins, emitting β^+ with energy between 1 and 2 MeV



Gamma spectroscopy : peak identification

Nuclides with half-lives between 10 and 100 days, emitting γ with energy between 450 and 500 keV. The γ must be the most intense line (key-line)



Gamma															
Start level	Jp	Final Level	Jp	Energy	Intensity	Mixing	Multipol.	Tot. Conv. Coeff.	Parent	T _{1/2}	E [keV]	Jp order	Decay	Q _{gs → gs}	Daughter
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Tab with Data and Tools Sorted by Application

Main All Reaction Data Structure & Decay by Applications Doc & Codes NDS-Internal Index Events				
Reactor Physics (particle transport, fuel cycle, transmutation, shielding)				
Atomic and molecular data for fusion research				
Ion Beam and Thin Layer Activation Analysis				
➢ Dosimetry reactions				
✓ Activation analysis				
Nuclear Medicine				
✓ Neutron Source Reactions				

Website - Nuclear Data Services www-nds.iaea.org/



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1995: introduced to me as "the father of nuclear data" by John Rowlands (ex-AEEW, UK and CEA, France), another highly respected and sadly missed nuclear physicist and nuclear data specialist IAEA Nuclear Data Newsletter, September 1992 quote:

Dr. J.J. Schmidt has retired. He was the head of the IAEA Nuclear Data Section for more than 22 years from 1969 to 1992. More than anyone else he promoted international cooperation in the field of nuclear data. The International **Nuclear Data Committee, data centre** networks, specialists meetings to assess data needs, training courses, and research contracts are some of the keywords of his activities, which were notably successful due to his broad knowledge, initiative, and exceptionally friendly personality

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..... and some personal observations

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Dedicated to all those involved in the work of the Nuclear Data Unit and Nuclear Data Section since their orderly conception and creation in the 1960s

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