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Information-identifying keywords

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Pointers

- **Use with care, legal only for cases defined in Manual !**
 - **1** - Multiple REACTIONS
 - **2** - Vector COMMON
 - **3** - BIB-DATA links: only together with 1 or 2 !
 - **4** - BIB-BIB links (referring to same REACTION). Can be combined with 1 or 2 if restricted to same pointers
 - **5** - Alternative results: repeat REACTION (formally same as 1)
- **1 and 2 CANNOT occur together in the same subentry**
- **Pointers link ONLY to information with same pointer or without pointer => cannot mix 2 sets of pointers within subentry**

MONITOR

- Information given under keywords **MONITOR, MONIT-REF, DECAY-MON,** compare also **ASSUMED**
- Coding of **MONITOR**: like **REACTION** but
 - May be preceded by heading
 - SF5-9 may be omitted
- Only data to which **DATA** are proportional; otherwise use **ASSUMED**

How to enter MONITOR values

- If given at several points: in DATA table
- If only 1 MONITOR point:
 - in DATA table, with blank in remaining lines, or
 - In COMMON, with EN-NRM or E-NRM or ANG-NRM
- If original ratio Data/Monitor also given: enter both as multiple REACTIONS:

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REACTION      1 ( ( AAAA ) / ( BBBB ) )  
              2 ( AAAA )  
MONITOR       2 ( BBBB )
```

DATA

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EN           DATA      1DATA      2MONIT      2
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Related keywords to MONITOR

- **MONIT-REF:** where monitor data are taken
 - Coding: ((heading)subacc.#,author,reference)
 - Heading: e.g. MONIT1; optional
 - Subacc.#: if data in EXFOR; optional
 - Author: First author as in REFERENCE (+)
 - Reference: as in REFERENCE
- **DECAY-MON:** decay data for monitor reaction as assumed by *author*
 - Coding: like DECAY-DATA, optionally preceded by heading (e.g. MONIT1) (**NEW** since 2003)
- **ASSUMED:** data used by author to derive data given under REACTION (except MONITOR and DECAY-DATA) which can be specified as reaction
 - Coding: (heading,REACTION)

DECAY-DATA

- **Decay information relevant to REACTION measured, as used by *authors***
- **Needed to**
 - **define isomeric state(s), and/or**
 - **provide parameters used for deducing quantity given under REACTION**
- **ONLY give values in coded form which you are sure were used by authors (Values assumed by compiler may only be given in free text)**
- **If authors used decay data now badly superseded, mention this in free text**
- **Source of decay data: in free text**
- **Uncertainties: only in free text**

Coding of DECAY-DATA

- **DECAY-DATA ((flag)nuclide, half-life, radiation)**
(Only obligatory field is nuclide)
- **Flag: optional; links to heading DECAY-FLAG**
(for variable product nucleus formalism)
- **Nuclide: Z-S-A-X (-G may be omitted)**
- **Half-life: value followed by unit from Dict.25**
- **Radiation: 3 subfields:**
 - Type of radiation (from Dict.13)
 - Energy in keV
 - Abundance (normalized to 1.)
 - normally ≤ 1 except for AR and multiplets
- **Radiation field may be repeated**

Half-lives without keyword DECAY-DATA

- **Keyword HALF-LIFE:** can be used to give half-life in **COMMON/DATA** section under heading **HL** (not recommended; better use **DECAY-DATA**).
- **Half-life as independent variable** (e.g. for delayed neutron groups) is coded in **DATA** section under heading **HL**, without connection to a **BIB** keyword.

Other related keywords

- **RAD-DET:** information on nuclides and decay radiation observed. Must be given if this is not evident from **DECAY-DATA**, otherwise optional. If used, **DECAY-DATA** must also be given.
 - Coding: ((flag),nuclide,radiation)
 - Flag: optional decay flag
 - Nuclide: Z-S-A-X
 - Radiation: code(s) from Dict.33
- **PART-DET:** To code particle detected if not obvious from **REACTION**. To be used for prompt particles (where **DECAY-DATA** and **RAD-DET** are not appropriate). Particle code from Dict.33 or nuclide.

LEVEL-PROP

- To give spin and parity of excited states
- Coding: ((flag)nuclide, level identif., level properties)
 - Flag: optional, links to heading LVL-FLAG
 - Nuclide: Z-S-A-X
 - Level identification: E-LVL= (value in MeV), or
LVL-NUMB= (if E-LVL unknown)
 - Level properties: SPIN= and/or
PARITY= (+1. or -1.)
- If 2 or more levels given: separate code string
- Important: E-LVL must be repeated in COMMON/DATA section if needed as secondary energy!
- Important: Headings SPIN J and PARITY may be used only for resonances and related data, not for levels in general

Keywords describing the experiment

- **METHOD, FACILITY, DETECTOR, ANALYSIS:**
At least one of these must be present with coded information
- **Description of experiment (summarizing) should contain essentials but be concise. Do not copy complete abstract from reference. (Electronic journals!)**
- **Other “experimental” keywords:**
INC-SOURCE, INC-SPECT, SAMPLE

Bibliographic keywords

- **INSTITUTE**
- **AUTHOR**
- **TITLE**
- **REFERENCE**
 - All references directly relevant to this experiment may be given (data tables / experiment description may be in different references). => Free text
 - Important references published after compilation should be added in a retransmission!
 - References (by other authors) *about* this work may be given under REL-REF

Coding of REFERENCE

- **Basic reference types (Dict.4):**
 - **Book / Conference / Conf.Abstract (B,C,A)**
 - **Journal / Journal Abstract (J,K)**
 - **Report / Progress Report / Conference Report / Preprint (R,P,S,X)**
 - **Thesis / Private Communication (T,W)**
- **REFERENCE (Ref.type,reference,date)**
 - **Format of 'reference' differs for different ref.types**
 - **Check Manual and examples!**
- **When to use Ref.type W (private communication):**
 - **Mainly, when no other suitable main reference exists**
 - **Other communication with author (e.g. receiving numerical data) may be recorded under STATUS**

Corrections and Uncertainties

- **CORRECTION:** describes corrections applied to obtain DATA. Free text only.
- **ERR-ANALYS:** describes error types given under error headings in COMMON / DATA section
 - **ERR-ANALYS** (heading) explanation
- **COVARIANCE:** for covariance information. Free text, or code COVAR indicating existence of separate covariance file

Comments

- **COMMENT**
 - Use only for free text which does not fit under a more specific keyword!
- **CRITIQUE**
 - For comments on quality of the data
- **FLAG**
 - For “footnotes” on individual data lines (linked with data heading FLAG)
- **REL-REF: Related reference (by other authors), with code from Dict. 17**
 - E.g.: critical remarks / Ref. With which data agree/disagree

STATUS

- **STATUS: Obligatory, contains several important types of information (codes from Dict.16 and/or free text)**
- **Source of data (Main ref., curve, author, etc.)**
- **Preliminary / Superseded / Final data**
- **Dependent data (e.g. derived from experiment compiled in another subentry)**
- **Author proof**
- **STATUS (DEP,12345002)**
STATUS Data from Table 2 of main reference
- **STATUS (APRVD) Approved by A.Miller, 2003-12-25**
- **STATUS (SPSDD,10048009)**