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**SUBJECT:** Fission Product Yield Computation Format

Attached is the fission product yield computation format, proposed as a result of discussion at the Consultants' Meeting on Compilation and Evaluation of Fission Yield Nuclear Data held in Vienna, 27-29 September, 1989.

Please send any comments as soon as possible. We would like to have a final draft to send to the fission yield evaluators by the end of the year.

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## FISSION PRODUCT YIELD COMPUTATION FORMAT

Variable	Columns	FORTRAN Format
<b>Data</b>		
Target isotope Z,A,isomer	1 - 7	I3,I3,I1
Incident projectile	8	A1
Yield type/modifier	9 - 11	A2,A1
Energy (eV)	12 - 19	x.xxx±nn
Spectrum code	20	A1
Product isotope Z,A,isomer	21 - 27	I3,I3,I1 Z=0 for mass yields; A=0 for element yields
Decay half-life (min)	28 - 35	x.xxx±nn
Spin/parity <sup>†</sup>	36 - 38	±x.
Yield*	39 - 47	x.xxxx±nn
+Yield error*	48 - 56	x.xxxx±nn
-Yield error*	57 - 65	x.xxxx±nn
Error code	66	A1
<b>Normalization</b>		
Target isotope Z,A,isomer	67 - 73	I3,I3,I1
Incident projectile	74	A1
Yield type	75 - 76	A2
Energy (eV)	77 - 84	x.xxx±nn
Spectrum code	85	A1
Product isotope Z,A,isomer	86 - 92	I3,I3,I1 Z=0 for mass yields; A=0 for element yields
Decay half-life (min)	93 -100	x.xxx±nn
Yield*	101-109	x.xxxx±nn
Yield error*	110 - 118	A2
Method code	119	A1
<b>Reference</b>		
Institute	120 - 122	A3 (as in CINDA)
Date	123 - 124	A2
Accession #	125 - 129	A5
Subaccession #	130 - 132	I3

\*see yield type for content and units

<sup>†</sup>not currently implemented in EXFOR

## CODING SPECIFICATIONS

<b>Yield type</b>	CU IN CH PR SE CG	Cumulative yield via direct formation & radioactive decay Independent yield direct formation only Total chain yield Primary fragment yield Secondary fragment yield Total elemental charge
<b>Yield type modifier</b>	blank A N R	Absolute yield given Relative value given Ratio given R-value given

### For absolute yield:

Units for yield and error: %/fission

Normalization field: yield value for normalization reaction

### For relative yield:

Units for yield and error: arbitrary units

Normalization field: blank

### For yield ratio:

Units for yield and error: nondimensional

Yield field: target and spectrum from numerator of ratio

Normalization field: target and spectrum from denominator of ratio;  
value is blank

### For R-value:

Units for yield and error: nondimensional

Yield field: target and spectrum from numerator of numerator

Normalization field: target and spectrum from denominator of  
denominator; value is blank

### For fractional yields:

Yields are entered as cumulative or independent ratios; chain  
Normalization field: chain yield

<b>Incident spectrum</b>	E	Epi-cadmium spectrum
	F	Fission spectrum average
	H	Fast reactor spectrum
	M	Thermal Maxwellian average
	P	Thermal reactor spectrum
	S	Spontaneous fission
<b>Method</b>	A	Mass spectrometry
	G	Gamma-ray spectrometry
	H	Hot atom
	J	Helium jet
	R	Radiochemical