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**Subject: Probability for emitting N particles: Proposal for new coding**

Currently, probabilities for the emission of a given number of particles are coded with REACTION SF5 = NUM and REACTION SF4 = NPART.

The independent variable PART-OUT is used for the number of outgoing particles.

The quantity is also called multiplicity distribution. It has to be distinguished from multiplicities as quantity (SF6 = MLT), as here the multiplicity is not the result but the independent variable.

As the current practice in compiling such data is not always consistent, and new and more complex cases are being compiled, we propose the following new scheme.

1. All such data must have SF5 = NUM and independent variable PART-OUT.  
(No change from before)
2. SF4 = NPART is cancelled. It is not absolutely necessary to define the quantity but it prevents us from using SF4 for product particles.
3. In SF6, existing codes NU, FY, PY, SIG continue to be used. No new parameter will be needed.
4. With 2 exceptions, all quantities with SF5 = NUM are probabilities normalized to 1, and have therefore dimension NO-DIM.  
The 2 exceptions are:
  - NUM,SIG,(\*) given in mb or equivalent units
  - Unnormalized probabilities, to be given with SF8 = REL and ARB-UNITS

This system will allow us to compile more complex cases in a consistent way, while the changes to existing entries will be manageable. When need arises, more quantities in the same style can be added (e.g. NUM,MLT).

## Quantities in dictionary 236

| Quantity                                  | Type and dimension | Definition   | Dimension  |
|---|--------------------|--|--|
| NUM, NU                                   | NUP NO             | Probability for emission of N (fission) neutrons                         | Probabilities are normalized, i.e. sum of all probabilities = 1 and units = NO-DIM |
| PR/NUM, NU                                | NUP NO             | Probability for emission of N prompt neutrons                            |  |
| NUM, FY and<br>NUM, FY, *<br>(New)        | FY NO              | Probability for emission of N fission particles<br>(other than neutrons) |  |
| NUM, PY                                   | PY NO              | Probability for emission of N product particles<br>(SF3 ≠ F)             | Units = mb or equivalent   |
| NUM, SIG, ( *)<br>(new with blank<br>SF7) | CS B               | Cross section for emission of N product particles                        |  |

In case of unnormalized probabilities, SF8 = REL and ARB-UNITS must be used.

## Changes in existing entries

| Accession no.                       | REACTION   | Change(s) required   |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|
| 14064.002                           | ... (0, F) NPART, NUM, NU  | Delete NPART   |
| 30367.005-007                       | ... (0, F) NPART, NUM, NU  | Delete NPART   |
| 30544.002                           | ... (N, F) NPART, PR/NUM, NU   | - Delete NPART<br>- Change units to NO-DIM   |
| 30609.005-007                       | ... (0, F) NPART, NUM, NU  | Delete NPART   |
| 41056.003                           | ... (0, F) NPART, PR/NUM, NU   | Delete NPART   |
| 41425.002-004                       | ... (0, F), PR/NUM, NU   | No change needed   |
| 41539.003-004                       | ... (0, F) NPART, PR/NUM, NU   | Delete NPART   |
| 41559.003-004                       | ... (0, F) NPART, PR/NUM, NU   | Delete NPART   |
| A0361.002                           | 79-AU-197(92-U-238, X) NPART, NUM, SIG, HF   | - Delete NPART<br>- Add keyword MISC-COL (no. of detected events)                                    |
| O0837.002<br>O0837.003<br>O0837.004 | .. (P, X) NPART, NUM, SIG, <b>PIP</b><br>.. (P, X) NPART, NUM, SIG, <b>PIN</b><br>.. (P, X) NPART, NUM, SIG, P | Change REACTIONs to:<br>(P, X) 1-PP-0, NUM, SIG<br>(P, X) 1-PN-0, NUM, SIG<br>(P, X) 1-H-1, NUM, SIG |
| O0848.002-008<br>O0848.009-012      | .. (P, X) NPART, NUM, SIG, N<br>.. (P, X) NPART, NUM, SIG, N, REL  | Change REACTIONs to:<br>(P, X) 0-NN-1, NUM, SIG<br>(P, X) 0-NN-1, NUM, SIG, REL                      |

| <b>Changes in existing entries (continued)</b> |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| <b>Accession no.</b>                           | <b>REACTION</b>                            | <b>Change(s) required</b>   |
| O0953.002-017                                  | ..(,...) NPART , NUM , SIG , N             | Change REACTIONs to:<br>(,...) 0-NN-1 , NUM , SIG                       |
| O1086.002-004                                  | .. ( P , X ) 1-H-1 , NUM , PY              | - Change units to NO-DIM<br>- Add main reference<br>J,EPJ/A,21,273,2004 |
| O1426.002-011                                  | ... ( P , X ) NPART , NUM , SIG , N        | Change REACTIONs to:<br>(,...) 0-NN-1 , NUM , SIG                       |
| V0045011-014                                   | ( N , F ) NPART , PR / NUM , NU , , , EVAL | Delete NPART  |

### New entries (Prelim 1379)

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|--------------|--|--|
| <b>14286</b> | <b>D.L.Bleuel+,J,NIM/A,624,691,2010</b>  |  |
| .002         | 98-CF-252 ( 0 , F ) 0-G-0 , NUM , FY , , REL   | Unnormalized over all multiplicity distribution (Fig.6, author's data)   |
| .003         | ( 1 ) 98-CF-252 ( 0 , F ) 42-MO-106 , NUM , FY , G<br>( 2 ) 98-CF-252 ( 0 , F ) 46-PD-108 , NUM , FY , G | Normalized multiplicity distributions for 2 identified fission channels (Fig.7, author's data)   |
| .004         | 98-CF-252 ( 0 , F ) ELEM / MASS , NUM , FY , G   | Normalized multiplicity distribution for channel with 2 identified products defined with ELEM1,2 and MASS1,2 (2n channel, Fig.12, author's data)       |
| .005         | 98-CF-252 ( 0 , F ) ELEM / MASS , NUM , FY , G   | Normalized multiplicity distribution for channel with 2 other identified products defined with ELEM1,2 and MASS1,2 (4n channel, Fig.12, author's data) |
|              |  |  |
| <b>14315</b> | <b>A.Chyzh+,J,PR/C,85,021601,2012</b>  |  |
| .002         | 98-CF-252 ( 0 , F ) 0-G-0 , PR , FY / DE , , RAW   | (Existing quantity)<br>(Fig. 1a, author's data)  |
| .003         | 98-CF-252 ( 0 , F ) 0-G-0 , NUM , FY   | Normalized over all multiplicity distribution (Fig. 2a, author's data)   |

Appendix: Coding examples from new entries 14286 and 14315

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### 1) Entry 14286

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ENTRY          14286
SUBENT         14286001
BIB            8          21
TITLE          Gamma-ray multiplicity measurement of the spontaneous
                fission of 252Cf in a segmented HPGe/BGO detector
                array
AUTHOR         (D.L.Bleuel,L.A.Bernstein,J.T.Burke,J.Gibelin,
                M.D.Heffner,J.Mintz,E.B.Norman,L.Phair,N.D.Scielzo,
                S.A.Sheets,N.J.Snyderman,M.A.Stoyer,M.Wiedeking)
INSTITUTE      (1USALRL,1USABRK)
REFERENCE      (J,NIM/A,624,691,2010)
SAMPLE         Cf-252 source, 1.5E6 fission/minutes, on a nickel foil
                backing, 90 microg/cm2
METHOD         (COINC) Coincidence of gamma rays from fission
                fragments
DETECTOR       (HPGE) The experiment was performed using six EURISYS
                high-purity germanium (HPGe) Clover detectors of the
                Livermore-Berkeley Array for Collaborative Experiments
                Each Clover consists of four HPGe crystals in a shared
                cryostat surrounded by 16 SCIONIX bismuth-germanate
                detectors. The system had high degree of segmentation
                with 19 HPGe and 94 BGO detectors and good solid
                angle coverage.
HISTORY        (20110201) Compiled by S.H.
ENDBIB         21          0
NOCOMMON       0          0
ENDSUBENT      24          0
SUBENT         14286002    20120330
BIB            3          5
REACTION        (98-CF-252(0,F)0-G-0,NUM,FY,,REL)
                Overall gamma ray multiplicity spectra
ERR-ANALYSIS   (ERR-S) Statistical uncertainty
STATUS         (TABLE ) Data presented in Fig. 6 of the reference
                sent by author (D.L.B.)
ENDBIB         5          0
NOCOMMON       0          0
DATA           3          36
PART-OUT       DATA      ERR-S
NO-DIM         ARB-UNITS  ARB-UNITS
0.0            292.8E+5    124.8E+2
1.0            453.2E+6    580.1E+2
2.0            340.1E+6    340.2E+2
3.0            190.7E+6    196.4E+2
4.0            102.3E+6    119.5E+2
etc.
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33.0           437.6E+0    127.4E+0
34.0           167.0E+0    121.2E+0
35.0           157.0E+0    111.3E+0
ENDDATA        38          0
ENDSUBENT      48          0
SUBENT         14286003    20120330
BIB            5          10
REACTION        1(98-CF-252(0,F)42-MO-106,NUM,FY,G)

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2(98-CF-252(0,F)46-PD-108,NUM,FY,G)
ANALYSIS   Gamma ray multiplicities in both channels are
            normalized to sum to unity.
ERR-ANALYS (ERR-S) Statistical uncertainty
STATUS     (TABLE) Data presented in fig. 7 of the reference
            sent by author (D.L.B.)
ENDBIB      10      0
NOCOMMON    0      0
DATA        4      60
PART-OUT    DATA    1ERR-S    1DATA    2ERR-S    2
NO-DIM      NO-DIM    NO-DIM    NO-DIM    NO-DIM
1.0         -4.96E-02  2.24E-03  5.64E-01  1.62E-03
2.0         8.18E-02  2.40E-03  2.65E-01  1.73E-03
3.0         7.18E-02  1.94E-03  1.17E-01  1.42E-03
4.0         8.31E-02  1.51E-03  3.05E-02  1.01E-03
5.0         9.65E-02  1.25E-03  7.59E-03  7.95E-04
6.0         1.07E-01  1.16E-03  2.24E-03  7.28E-04
etc.
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30.0        -9.78E-06  1.08E-05  1.93E-06  6.97E-06
ENDDATA      62      0
ENDSUBENT    77      0
SUBENT       14286004 20120330
BIB          5      15
REACTION     (98-CF-252(0,F)ELEM/MASS,NUM,FY,G)
ANALYSIS     Number of emitted neutrons in various fission channels
            was determined from correlated discrete gamma rays of
            fission products
            2n channel  106Mo x 144Ba
            4n channel  106Mo x 142Ba
            Multiplicities in both channels are normalized
            to sum to unity.
            This table contains the gamma ray multiplicity of events
            with 2 neutrons emitted. For the 4n channel see
            subentry 5.
ERR-ANALYS (ERR-S) Statistical uncertainty
STATUS     (TABLE) Data presented in fig. 12 of the reference
            sent by author (D.L.B.)
ENDBIB      15      0
COMMON
ELEM1       MASS1      ELEM2      MASS2
NO-DIM      NO-DIM     NO-DIM     NO-DIM
42.         106.       56.        144.
ENDCOMMON
DATA
PART-OUT    DATA      ERR-S
NO-DIM      NO-DIM     NO-DIM
2.0         1.59E-02   6.31E-03
3.0         1.20E-02   9.35E-03
4.0         1.15E-02   1.10E-02
5.0         6.37E-02   1.20E-02
6.0         8.74E-02   1.34E-02
etc.
.....
28.0        -1.80E-03   7.06E-04
29.0        -2.58E-04   5.16E-04
30.0        5.16E-04    2.58E-04
ENDDATA      60      0
ENDSUBENT    80      0

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SUBENT 14286005 20120330  
 BIB 5 15  
 REACTION (98-CF-252(0,F)ELEM/MASS,NUM,FY,G)  
 ANALYSIS Number of emitted neutrons in various fission channels  
 was determined from correlated discrete gamma rays of  
 fission products  
 2n channel 106Mo x 144Ba  
 4n channel 106Mo x 142Ba  
 Multiplicities in both channels are normalized  
 to sum to unity.  
 This table contains the gamma ray multiplicity of events  
 with 4 neutrons emitted. For the 2n channel see  
 subentry 4.  
 ERR-ANALYS (ERR-S) Statistical uncertainty  
 STATUS (TABLE) Data presented in fig. 12 of the reference  
 sent by author (D.L.B.)  
 ENDBIB 15 0  
 COMMON  
 ELEM1 MASS1 ELEM2 MASS2  
 NO-DIM NO-DIM NO-DIM NO-DIM  
 42. 106. 56. 142.  
 ENDCOMMON  
 DATA  
 PART-OUT DATA ERR-S  
 NO-DIM NO-DIM NO-DIM  
 2.0 2.06E-02 4.42E-03  
 3.0 3.48E-02 6.60E-03  
 4.0 2.22E-02 7.63E-03  
 5.0 4.79E-02 8.06E-03  
 6.0 4.68E-02 9.16E-03  
 7.0 5.94E-02 1.04E-02  
 etc  
 ....  
 28.0 9.37E-04 4.68E-04  
 29.0 4.68E-04 3.70E-04  
 30.0 1.17E-04 2.62E-04  
 ENDDATA 60 0  
 ENDSUBENT 80 0  
 ENENTRY

## 2) Entry 14315

ENTRY 14315 20120229  
 SUBENT 14315001 20120229  
 BIB 10 36  
 TITLE Evidence for the stochastic aspect of prompt gamma  
 emission in spontaneous fission  
 AUTHOR (A.Chyzh,C.Y.Wu,E.Kwan,R.A.Henderson,J.M.Gostic,  
 T.A.Bredeweg,R.C.Haight,A.C.Hayes-Sterbenz,M.Jandel,  
 J.M.O'Donnell,J.L.Ullmann)  
 INSTITUTE (1USALRL,1USALAS)  
 REFERENCE (J,PR/C,85,021601,2012)  
 DETECTOR (PPAC) 252Cf source covered with aluminized mylar  
 served as a cathode. The two anodes, made of the same  
 thickness aluminized mylar sheet, were placed on both  
 sides of the cathode at a distance of 3 mm and  
 electrically connected. The PPAC was operated with

isobutane gas at the 4.00 torr pressure stabilized by a feedback loop of constant gas flow. It has efficiency of 82% for the detection of fission fragments

(BAF2) Gamma ray energy and multiplicity was measured with a 4pi g-ray calorimeter DANCE made of 160 BaF2 crystals; each crystal has equal solid- angle coverage. Beside capture studies, DANCE can be used for the precision measurement of the E-gamma and M-gamma distributions as well as the total gamma-ray energy

METHOD (COINC) Coincidence between fission fragments detected by avalanche counter and DANCE detectors was required to identify prompt gamma rays from fission

SAMPLE A 252Cf source with a strength 0.15 mu-Ci was prepared by stippling the material on a 3 mu-m thick titanium foil, and then covered by a 1.4 mu-m thick aluminized mylar to serve as a cathode.

ANALYSIS Data were obtained by unfolding of raw data. Response matrices for gamma energy as well as gamma multiplicity were calculated using GEANT4. The unfolding was done using both the iterative Bayesian and singular value decomposition (SVD) methods.

ERR-ANALYS (DATA-ERR) No information given

HISTORY (20120229C) Compiled by S.H.

ENDBIB 36 0

NOCOMMON 0 0

ENDSUBENT 39 0

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SUBENT 14315003 20120229

BIB 2 7

REACTION 1(98-CF-252(0,F)0-G-0,NUM,FY,,RAW) Original exper.data  
2(98-CF-252(0,F)0-G-0,NUM,FY) Multiplicity distribution based on unfolded spectra using SVD method  
3(98-CF-252(0,F)0-G-0,NUM,FY) Multiplicity distribution based on unfolded spectra using Bayesian approach

STATUS (TABLE) Data presented in fig. 2a of the reference sent by author (A.Ch.)

ENDBIB 7 0

COMMON 1 3

E-ERR

MEV

0.1

ENDCOMMON 3 0

DATA 7 20

PART-OUT DATA 1DATA-ERR 1DATA 2DATA-ERR 2DATA 3

DATA-ERR 3

NO-DIM NO-DIM NO-DIM NO-DIM NO-DIM NO-DIM

NO-DIM

|          |          |          |          |          |          |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1.0      | 4.55E-03 | 3.73E-05 |          |          |          |
| 2.0      | 3.83E-02 | 1.08E-04 | 2.09E-02 | 1.93E-04 | 1.94E-02 |
| 1.07E-04 |          |          |          |          |          |
| 3.0      | 7.85E-02 | 1.55E-04 | 4.44E-02 | 2.15E-04 | 4.39E-02 |
| 1.52E-04 |          |          |          |          |          |
| 4.0      | 1.22E-01 | 1.93E-04 | 7.05E-02 | 2.86E-04 | 7.11E-02 |
| 1.86E-04 |          |          |          |          |          |
| 5.0      | 1.52E-01 | 2.16E-04 | 9.39E-02 | 3.38E-04 | 9.56E-02 |
| 2.12E-04 |          |          |          |          |          |

|           |          |          |          |          |          |
|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 6.0       | 1.62E-01 | 2.22E-04 | 1.10E-01 | 3.69E-04 | 1.13E-01 |
| 2.30E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 7.0       | 1.47E-01 | 2.12E-04 | 1.18E-01 | 3.93E-04 | 1.19E-01 |
| 2.43E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 8.0       | 1.17E-01 | 1.89E-04 | 1.15E-01 | 4.13E-04 | 1.16E-01 |
| 2.53E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 9.0       | 8.15E-02 | 1.58E-04 | 1.05E-01 | 4.28E-04 | 1.05E-01 |
| 2.62E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 10.0      | 4.97E-02 | 1.23E-04 | 9.00E-02 | 4.35E-04 | 8.87E-02 |
| 2.74E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 11.0      | 2.68E-02 | 9.04E-05 | 7.23E-02 | 4.40E-04 | 7.09E-02 |
| 2.87E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 12.0      | 1.26E-02 | 6.19E-05 | 5.47E-02 | 4.46E-04 | 5.35E-02 |
| 3.04E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 13.0      | 5.25E-03 | 4.00E-05 | 3.89E-02 | 4.50E-04 | 3.80E-02 |
| 3.24E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 14.0      | 1.91E-03 | 2.41E-05 | 2.59E-02 | 4.58E-04 | 2.56E-02 |
| 3.49E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 15.0      | 6.15E-04 | 1.37E-05 | 1.63E-02 | 4.86E-04 | 1.64E-02 |
| 3.84E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 16.0      | 1.70E-04 | 7.20E-06 | 9.71E-03 | 5.36E-04 | 1.01E-02 |
| 4.44E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 17.0      | 4.36E-05 | 3.65E-06 | 5.70E-03 | 5.84E-04 | 6.22E-03 |
| 5.31E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 18.0      | 1.22E-05 | 1.93E-06 | 3.57E-03 | 6.30E-04 | 3.96E-03 |
| 6.34E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 19.0      | 2.44E-06 | 8.63E-07 | 2.65E-03 | 9.99E-04 | 2.68E-03 |
| 9.54E-04  |          |          |          |          |          |
| 20.0      | 3.05E-07 | 3.05E-07 | 2.37E-03 | 2.48E-03 | 1.87E-03 |
| 1.87E-03  |          |          |          |          |          |
| ENDDATA   | 44       | 0        |          |          |          |
| ENDSUBENT | 60       | 0        |          |          |          |
| ENDENTRY  | 3        | 0        |          |          |          |

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