

# OpenMC Primer


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# Discussion Agenda

- **Introduction:** What is OpenMC?
  - **Tools and Resources:** Teaching a man to fish...
  - **Basic File Structure:** Build your own nuclear reactor
  - **Homework Tips**
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# Introduction

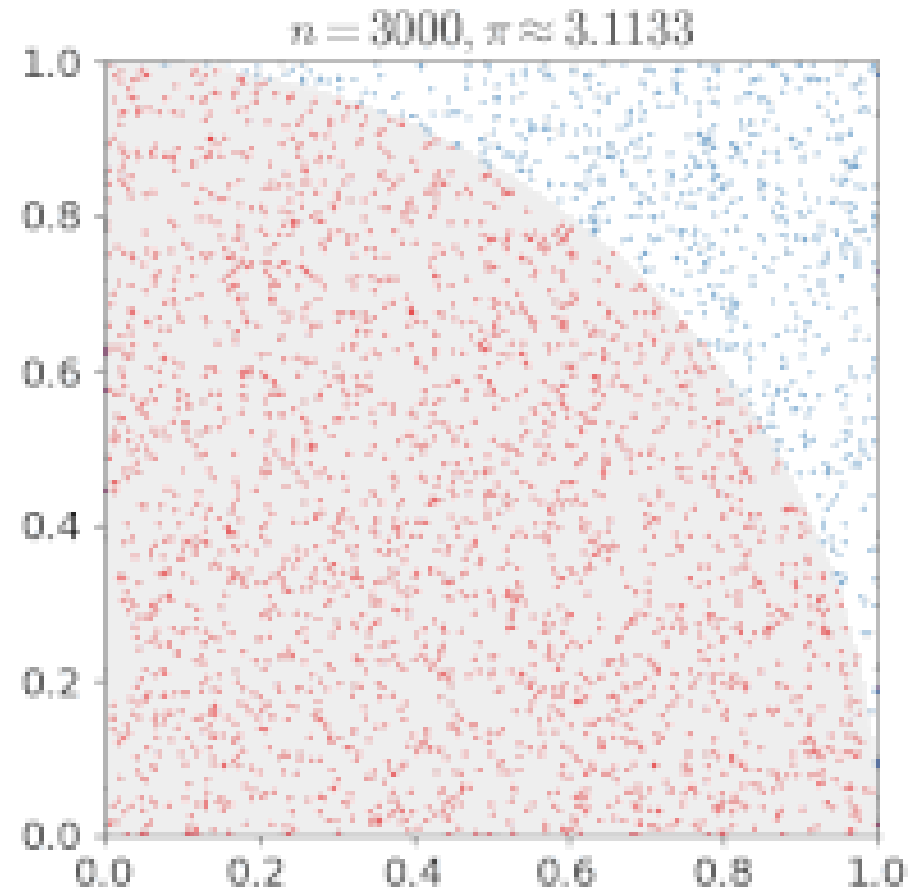
# What is OpenMC?

- “OpenMC is an open-source Monte Carlo particle transport code focused on reactor modeling and reactor physics methods research.”
  1. Used to model neutron, photon, and electron transport/interactions
  2. Used to determine critical sizes/configurations of reactor cores
  3. Can be used to determine changes in isotopic abundance from fission/absorption (i.e. depletion calculations)



# Monte Carlo Method

- “The underlying concept is to use randomness to solve problems that might be deterministic in principle. They are often used in physical and mathematical problems and are most useful when it is difficult or impossible to use other approaches.”

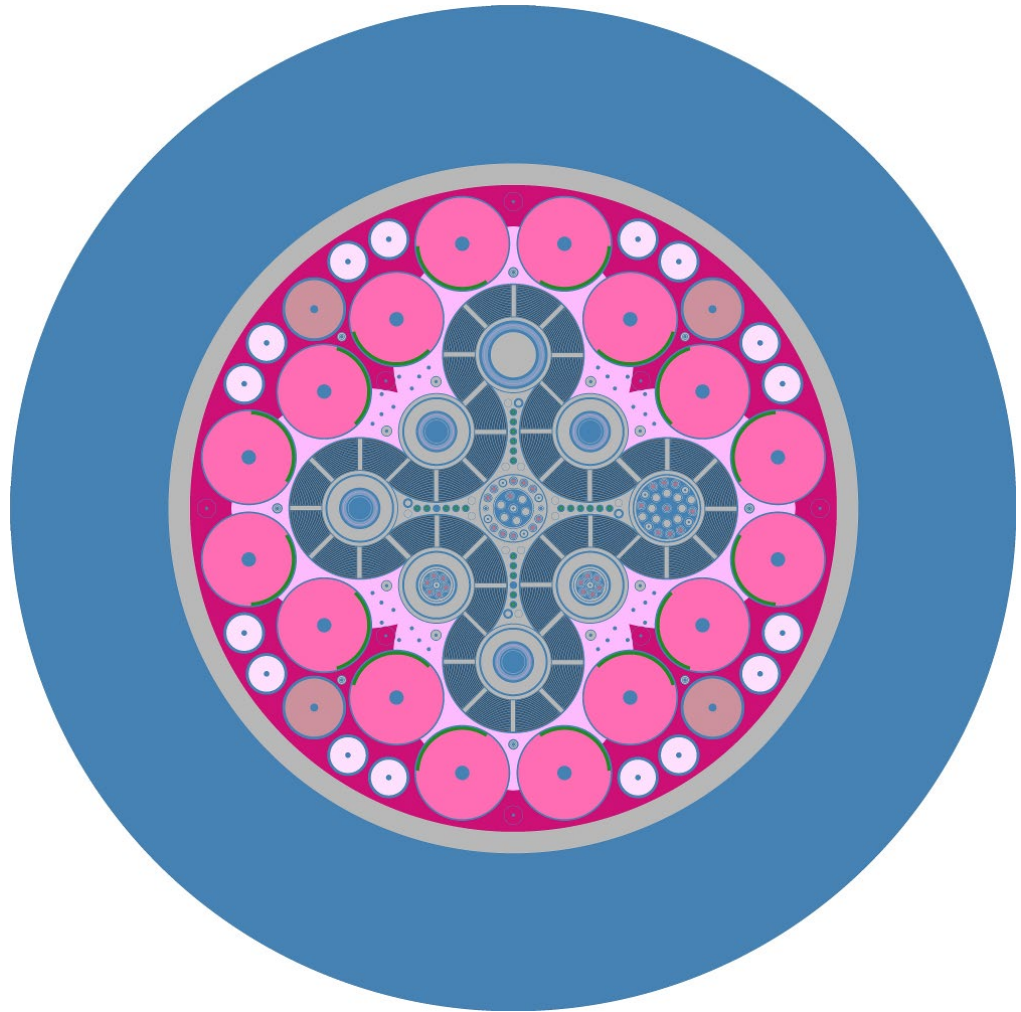


Monte Carlo method applied to approximating the value of  $\pi$ .

# Why Use OpenMC?

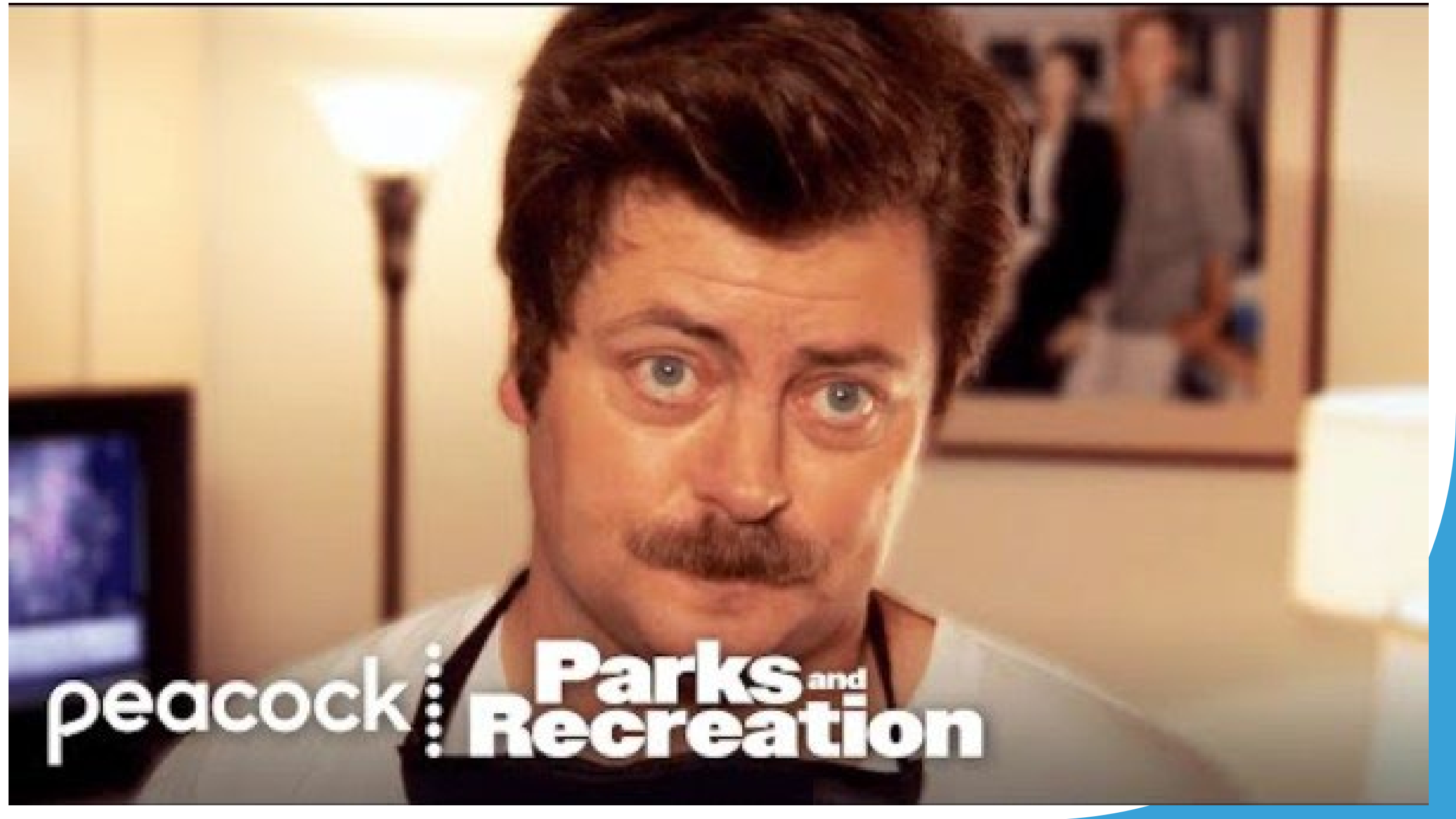
- Model complex reactor geometries
- Powerful post-processing tools
- Used to analyze:
  - Criticality
  - Shielding
  - Radiolysis
  - Breeding
  - Feedbacks
  - Lifetime
  - Etc.

$$~~k = \eta \epsilon p f p_{FNL} P_{ThNL}~~$$



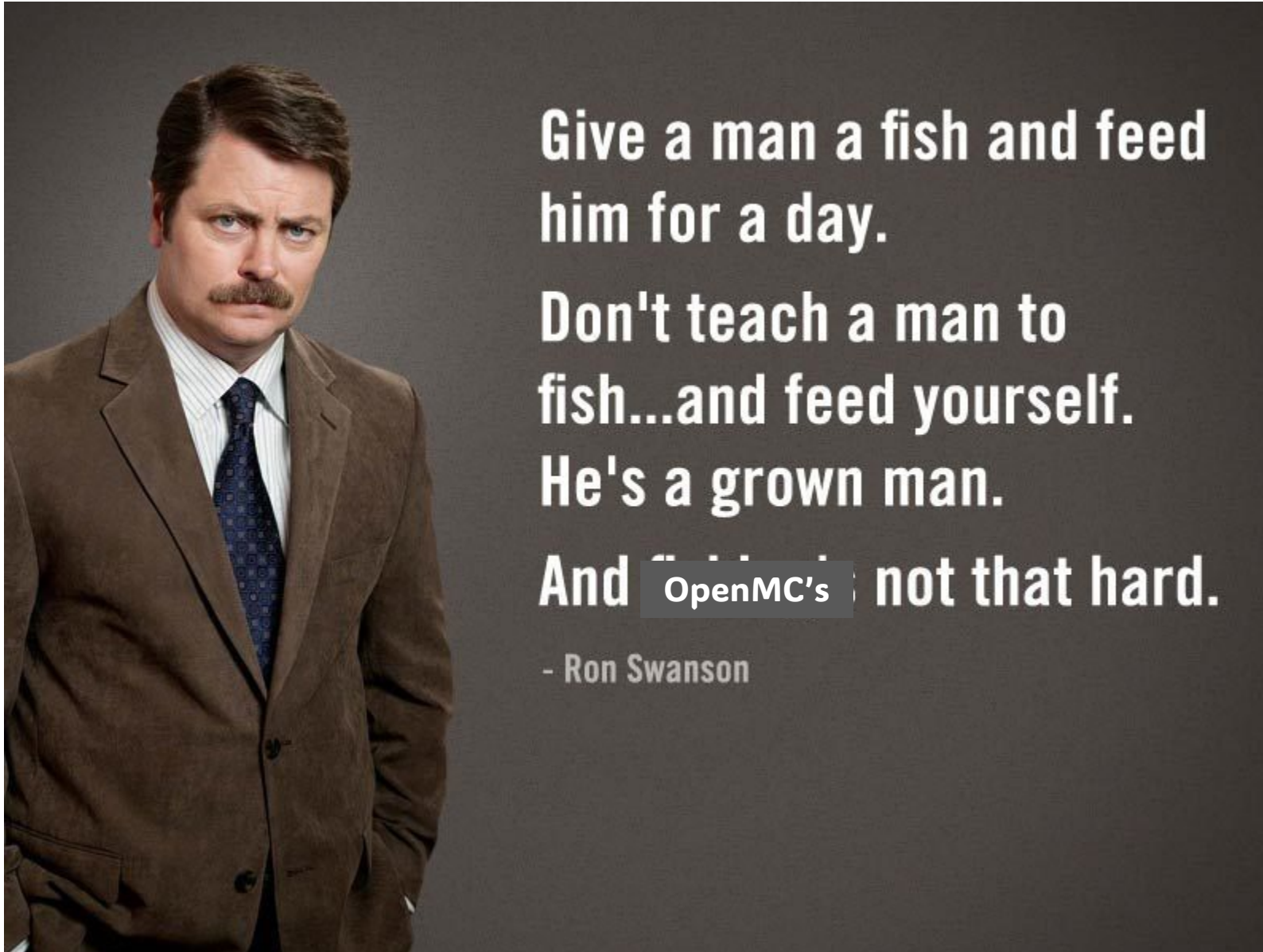
Cross-sectional view of an OpenMC model of the Advanced Test Reactor (ATR)

# **Tools and Resources**



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Give a man a fish and feed  
him for a day.

Don't teach a man to  
fish...and feed yourself.  
He's a grown man.

And **OpenMC's** not that hard.

- Ron Swanson

# Teaching Yourself OpenMC

- Documentation

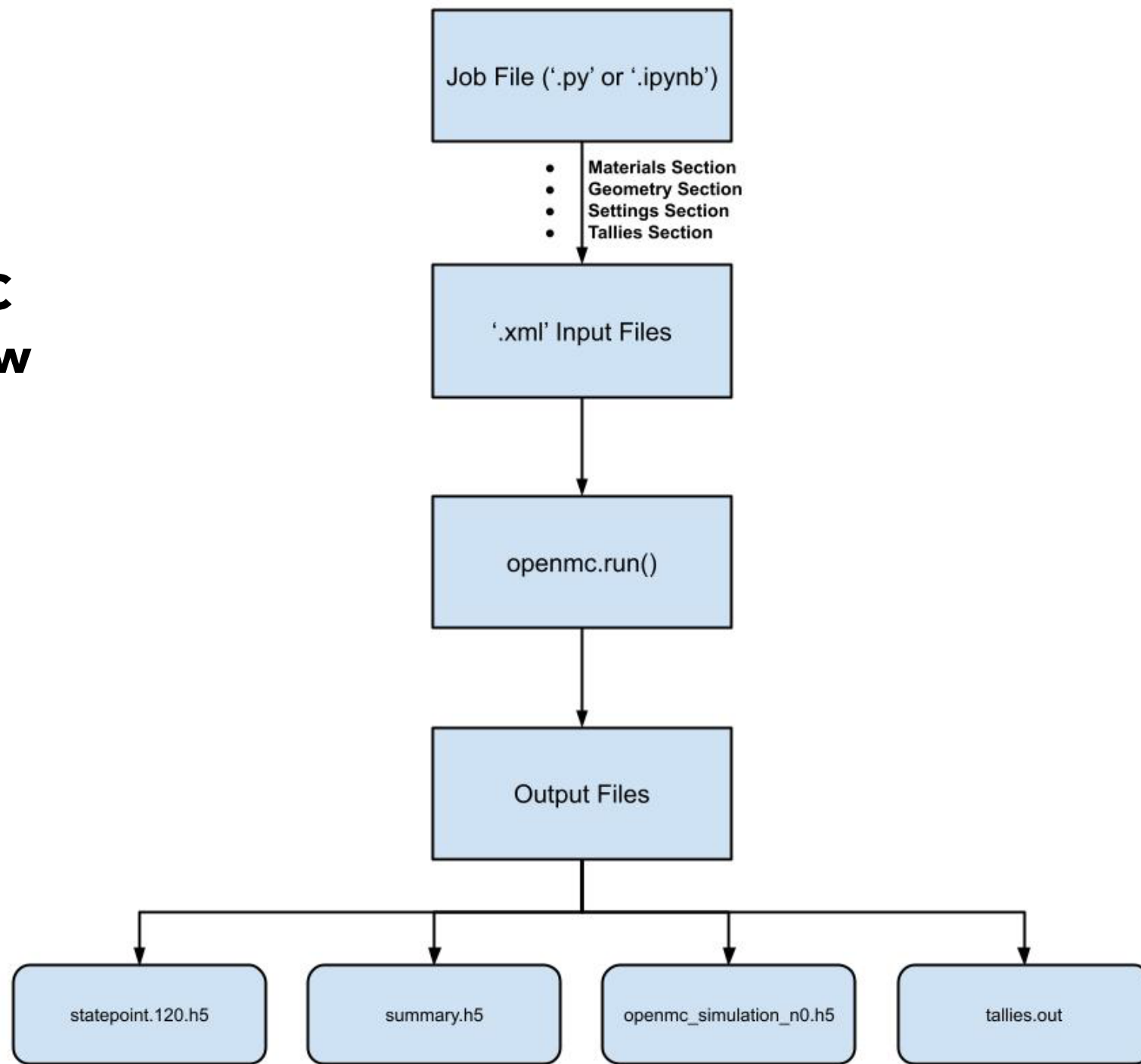
<https://docs.openmc.org/en/stable/index.html>

- Discourse and User Help

<https://openmc.discourse.group/>

# **Basic File Structure and Operation**

# OpenMC Workflow



# Materials

1. Create an openmc.Material object
2. Define composition
  1. 'ao' - atom% or mol%, default
  2. 'wo' - weight%
3. Set Temperature (in Kelvin)
4. Set density
  1. 'g/cm3'
  2. 'kg/m3'

```
1  ### Begin Materials Section ###
2
3  uo2 = openmc.Material(1, "uo2")
4  uo2.add_nuclide('U235', 0.20)
5  uo2.add_nuclide('U238', 0.80)
6  uo2.add_nuclide('O16', 2.0)
7  uo2.temperature = 900 #K
8  uo2.set_density('g/cm3', 10.766)
9
10
11 zirconium = openmc.Material(2, "zirconium")
12 zirconium.add_element('Zr', 1.0, 'wo')
13 zirconium.temperature = 900 #K
14 zirconium.set_density('g/cm3', 6.398)
15
16
17 water = openmc.Material(3, "h2o")
18 water.add_nuclide('H1', 2.0)
19 water.add_element('O', 1.0)
20 water.add_s_alpha_beta('c_H_in_H2O')
21 water.temperature = 635 #K
22 water.set_density('g/cm3', 0.4907)
23
24
25 mats = openmc.Materials([uo2, zirconium, water])
26 mats.export_to_xml()
27
28 ### End Materials Section ###
```

# Geometry

1. Create a Surface object (units=cm)
  1. Set boundary (boundary\_type='transmission')
    1. 'transmission' (default)
    2. 'vacuum'
    3. 'reflective'
    4. 'white'
    5. 'periodic'
2. Define Half-spaces
3. Define Regions
  1. & - intersection
  2. | - union
  3. ~ - complement
4. Define openmc.Cell object
  1. Specify volumetric Region
  2. Fill with Material
5. Create openmc.Universe object
  1. Fill with Cell objects
6. Create openmc.Geometry object

```
1  ### Begin Geometry Section ###
2
3  sph = openmc.Sphere(r=1.0)
4
5  inside_sphere = -sph
6  outside_sphere = +sph
7
8  sphere_in_cell = openmc.Cell(region=inside_sphere, fill=uo2)
9  sphere_out_cell = openmc.Cell(region=outside_sphere, fill=water)
10
11 universe = openmc.Universe(cells=[sphere_in_cell, sphere_out_cell])
12
13 geom = openmc.Geometry(universe)
14 geom.export_to_xml()
15
16 ### End Geometry Section ###
```

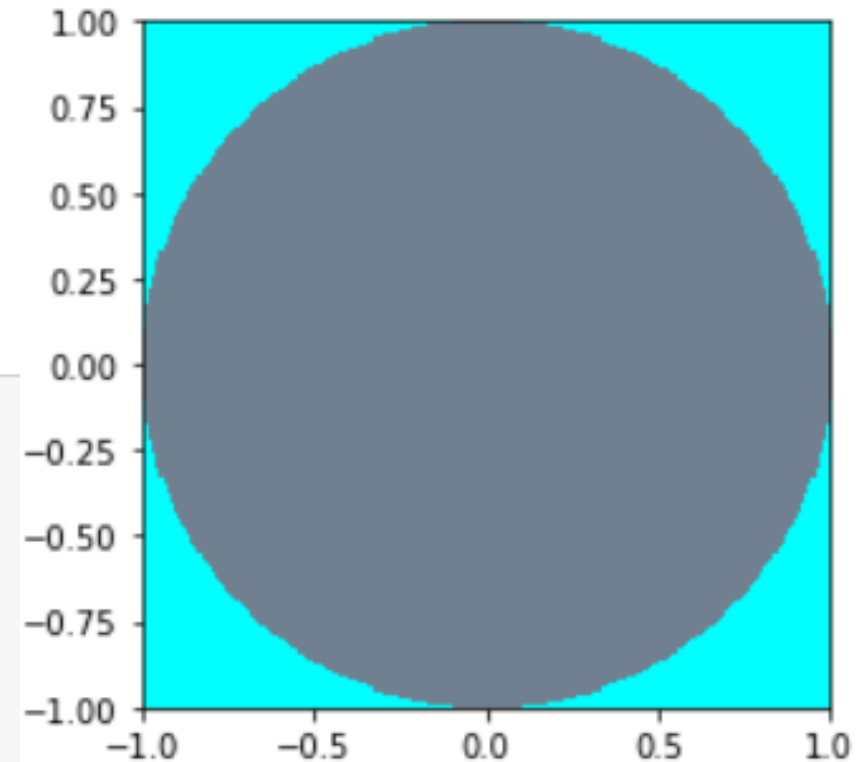
**NOTE:** Simulation universe *MUST* be finite.

# Surfaces

<code>openmc.Plane</code>	An arbitrary plane of the form $Ax + By + Cz = D$ .
<code>openmc.XPlane</code>	A plane perpendicular to the x axis of the form $x - x_0 = 0$
<code>openmc.YPlane</code>	A plane perpendicular to the y axis of the form $y - y_0 = 0$
<code>openmc.ZPlane</code>	A plane perpendicular to the z axis of the form $z - z_0 = 0$
<code>openmc.XCylinder</code>	An infinite cylinder whose length is parallel to the x-axis of the form $(y - y_0)^2 + (z - z_0)^2 = r^2$ .
<code>openmc.YCylinder</code>	An infinite cylinder whose length is parallel to the y-axis of the form $(x - x_0)^2 + (z - z_0)^2 = r^2$ .
<code>openmc.ZCylinder</code>	An infinite cylinder whose length is parallel to the z-axis of the form $(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2 = r^2$ .
<code>openmc.Sphere</code>	A sphere of the form $(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2 + (z - z_0)^2 = r^2$ .
<code>openmc.Cone</code>	A conical surface parallel to the x-, y-, or z-axis.
<code>openmc.XCone</code>	A cone parallel to the x-axis of the form $(y - y_0)^2 + (z - z_0)^2 = r^2(x - x_0)^2$ .
<code>openmc.YCone</code>	A cone parallel to the y-axis of the form $(x - x_0)^2 + (z - z_0)^2 = r^2(y - y_0)^2$ .
<code>openmc.ZCone</code>	A cone parallel to the x-axis of the form $(x - x_0)^2 + (y - y_0)^2 = r^2(z - z_0)^2$ .
<code>openmc.Quadric</code>	A surface of the form $Ax^2 + By^2 + Cz^2 + Dxy + Eyz + Fxz + Gx + Hy + Jz + K = 0$ .

# Geometry - Half-spaces

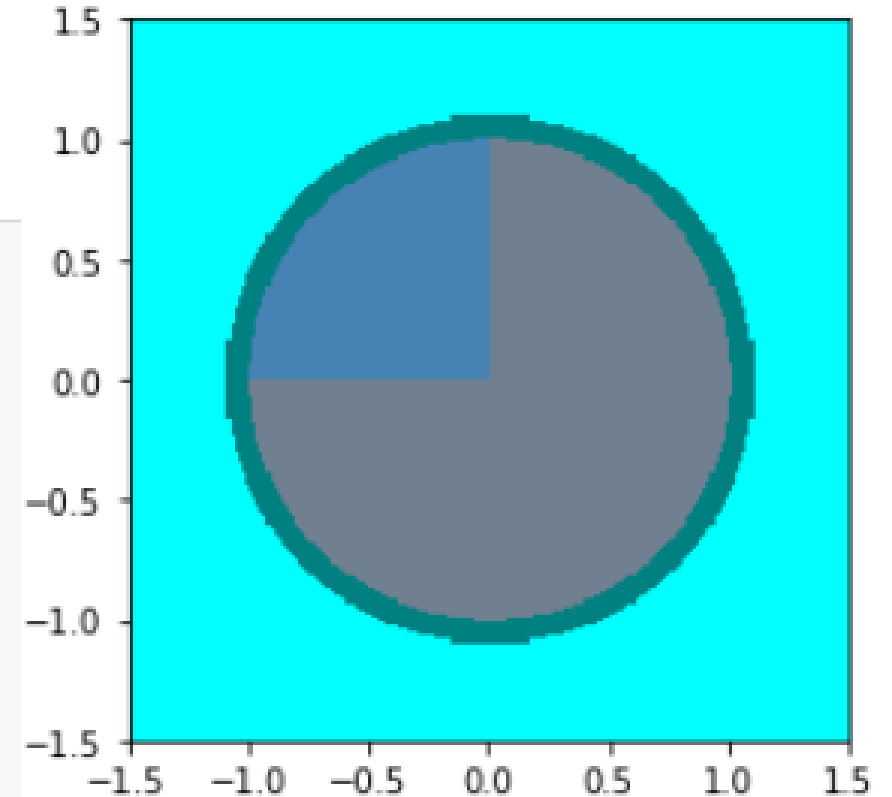
```
1 sph = openmc.Sphere(r=1.0)
2
3 inside_sphere = -sph
4 outside_sphere = +sph
5
6 sphere_in_cell = openmc.Cell(region=inside_sphere, fill=uo2)
7 sphere_out_cell = openmc.Cell(region=outside_sphere, fill=water)
8
9 universe = openmc.Universe(cells=[sphere_in_cell, sphere_out_cell])
10
11 univers.plot(basis='xy', origin=(0.0,0.0,0.0), width=(2.0,2.0), pixels=(200,200), color_by='cell')
```





# Geometry - Half-spaces cont.

```
1 sph_1 = openmc.Sphere(r=1.0)
2 sph_2 = openmc.Sphere(r=1.1)
3
4 xz_plane = openmc.YPlane(y0=0)
5 yz_plane = openmc.XPlane(x0=0)
6
7 NW_sphere = -sph_1 & +xz_plane & -yz_plane
8 inside_sphere = -sph_1 & ~NW_sphere #OR -sph1 & (-xy_plane | +yz_plane)
9 shell = +sph_1 & -sph_2
10 outside_sphere = +sph_2
11
12 sphere_NW_cell = openmc.Cell(region=NW_sphere, fill=uo2)
13 sphere_in_cell = openmc.Cell(region=inside_sphere, fill=uo2)
14 shell_cell = openmc.Cell(region=shell, fill=zirconium)
15 sphere_out_cell = openmc.Cell(region=outside_sphere, fill=water)
16
17 universe = openmc.Universe(cells=[sphere_NW_cell, sphere_in_cell, shell_cell, sphere_out_cell])
18
19 universe.plot(basis='xy', origin=(0.0,0.0,0.0), width=(3.0,3.0), pixels=(200,200), color_by='cell')
```



# Periodic Boundary Conditions

1. Only Planes can be periodic
2. Periodic Surfaces *must* be parallel
3. Rotational periodicity is available on 90° segments from one dimensional plane to another (i.e. XZ  $\leftrightarrow$  YZ)

```
10 bbox_xlow = openmc.XPlane(x0 = -2.0, boundary_type='periodic')
11 bbox_xhigh = openmc.XPlane(x0 = 2.0, boundary_type='periodic')
12 bbox_ylow = openmc.YPlane(y0 = -2.0, boundary_type='periodic')
13 bbox_yhigh = openmc.YPlane(y0 = 2.0, boundary_type='periodic')
14 bbox_zlow = openmc.ZPlane(z0 = -2.0, boundary_type='periodic')
15 bbox_zhigh = openmc.ZPlane(z0 = 2.0, boundary_type='periodic')
16 bbox_xlow.periodic_surface = bbox_xhigh
17 bbox_ylow.periodic_surface = bbox_yhigh
18 bbox_zlow.periodic_surface = bbox_zhigh
```

# Settings

1. Create openmc.Source object
  1. Spatial source distribution
  2. Source particle
  3. Energy source distribution
2. Create openmc.Settings object
  1. Specify Source
  2. Specify total number of batches
  3. Specify number of inactive batches
  4. Specify number of particles per batch

```
1  ### Begin Settings Section ###
2
3  point = openmc.stats.Point((0, 0, 0))
4  src = openmc.Source(space=point)
5
6  settings = openmc.Settings()
7  settings.source = src
8  settings.batches = 120
9  settings.inactive = 20
10 settings.particles = 10000
11 settings.temperature = {'method': 'interpolation'}
12
13 settings.export_to_xml()
14
15 ### End Settings Section ###
```

# Tallies

## 1. Create openmc.Filter objects

1. SurfaceFilter
2. CellFilter
3. EnergyFilter
4. MaterialFilter

## 2. Create openmc.Tally object

1. Specify filters
2. Specify scores
  1. 'flux', 'absorption', 'elastic', 'fission', 'scatter', 'total', 'event', '(n,gamma)', 'heating-local', 'delayed-nu-fission', 'prompt-nu-fission', 'nu-fission', etc.

## 3. Create openmc.Tallies object

```
1  ### Begin Tallies Section ###
2
3  shell_cell_filter = openmc.CellFilter(shell_cell)
4
5  shell_tally = openmc.Tally(1, name='Shell Tally')
6  shell_tally.filters = [shell_cell_filter]
7  shell_tally.scores = ['absorption']
8
9  tallies = openmc.Tallies([shell_tally])
10
11 tallies.export_to_xml()
12
13 ### End Tallies Section ###
```

**NOTE:** 'tallies.xml' is the only optional input file.

## Tallies - Example

What does this code do?

```
1  ### Begin Tallies Section ###
2  from numpy import linspace
3
4  mesh = openmc.RectilinearMesh()
5  mesh.x_grid = linspace(0, 2.5, 11) #cells exist between these points
6  mesh.y_grid = linspace(0, 2.5, 11)
7  mesh.z_grid = linspace(0, 2.5, 11)
8  mesh_filter = openmc.MeshFilter(mesh)
9
10 energy_filter = openmc.EnergyFilter([0.0, 1.0, 2.0e6]) #eV
11
12 fuel_tally = openmc.Tally(name='Spatial Flux')
13 fuel_tally.filters = [mesh_filter, energy_filter]
14 fuel_tally.nuclides = ['U235', 'all']
15 fuel_tally.scores = ['flux', 'fission']
16
17 tallies = openmc.Tallies([fuel_tally])
18
19 tallies.export_to_xml()
20
21 ### End Tallies Section ###
```

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# Understanding OpenMC Output

Initializing source particles...

```
=====>      K EIGENVALUE SIMULATION      <=====
```

Bat./Gen.	k	Average k
=====	=====	=====
1/1	0.02102	
2/1	0.01783	
3/1	0.01684	
4/1	0.01633	
5/1	0.01708	
6/1	0.01604	
7/1	0.01725	
8/1	0.01578	
9/1	0.01630	
10/1	0.01705	
11/1	0.01667	
12/1	0.01665	
13/1	0.01652	
14/1	0.01698	
15/1	0.01657	
16/1	0.01642	
17/1	0.01634	
18/1	0.01669	
19/1	0.01650	
20/1	0.01704	
21/1	0.01644	
22/1	0.01670	0.01657 +/- 0.00013
23/1	0.01642	0.01652 +/- 0.00009
24/1	0.01640	0.01649 +/- 0.00007
25/1	0.01662	0.01652 +/- 0.00006
26/1	0.01620	0.01646 +/- 0.00007

```
114/1    0.01614    0.01653 +/- 0.00004
115/1    0.01697    0.01653 +/- 0.00004
116/1    0.01675    0.01654 +/- 0.00004
117/1    0.01663    0.01654 +/- 0.00004
118/1    0.01681    0.01654 +/- 0.00004
119/1    0.01639    0.01654 +/- 0.00004
120/1    0.01620    0.01653 +/- 0.00004
Creating state point statepoint.120.h5...
```

```
=====>      TIMING STATISTICS      <=====
```

Total time for initialization	= 2.6695e+00 seconds
Reading cross sections	= 2.5328e+00 seconds
Total time in simulation	= 1.9509e+00 seconds
Time in transport only	= 1.6432e+00 seconds
Time in inactive batches	= 3.2569e-01 seconds
Time in active batches	= 1.6252e+00 seconds
Time synchronizing fission bank	= 7.6256e-02 seconds
Sampling source sites	= 6.1630e-02 seconds
SEND/RECV source sites	= 1.4109e-02 seconds
Time accumulating tallies	= 1.7570e-04 seconds
Total time for finalization	= 1.1416e-02 seconds
Total time elapsed	= 4.6510e+00 seconds
Calculation Rate (inactive)	= 614074. particles/second
Calculation Rate (active)	= 615311. particles/second

```
=====>      RESULTS      <=====
```

k-effective (Collision)	= 0.01662 +/- 0.00006
k-effective (Track-length)	= 0.01653 +/- 0.00004
k-effective (Absorption)	= 0.01664 +/- 0.00021
Combined k-effective	= 0.01655 +/- 0.00004
Leakage Fraction	= 0.99150 +/- 0.00010

# **Practical Advice & Homework Tips**



# Copying a file to WSL for use with OpenMC

```
(openmc-env) bclayto4@TABLET-PR939TQS:~$ cd ../../../../mnt/c/Users/brade/Downloads/
```

```
(openmc-env) bclayto4@TABLET-PR939TQS:/mnt/c/Users/brade/Downloads$
```

```
(openmc-env) bclayto4@TABLET-PR939TQS:/mnt/c/Users/brade/Downloads$ cp ChEn_612* ~
```

```
(openmc-env) bclayto4@TABLET-PR939TQS:/mnt/c/Users/brade/Downloads$ cd ~
```

```
(openmc-env) bclayto4@TABLET-PR939TQS:~$
```

```
(openmc-env) bclayto4@TABLET-PR939TQS:~$ ls
412                               'MAT HW 10.ipynb'          TenPlate_Models
Andrews_Paper_2                 'MAT HW9.ipynb'           Thermo
CRE                              Mambaforge-Linux-x86_64.sh  Untitled.ipynb
ChEn_612_criticality_example.ipynb NJOY21                     Untitled1.ipynb
Classwork                       Nuc_Mat                    Untitled2.ipynb
Files                           PCHEM                      mambaforge3
HEX_REACTOR_ATECH               RADIAL_OUT_PAPER1         new_test.txt
'HW 311 2.1.ipynb'              Stats                      projects
'Heat and MAss'                 'Systems of Equations + fsolve (1).ipynb'  ssh
Jackson_OUT                     'Systems of Equations + fsolve.ipynb'      test.txt
```

# Opening Jupyter Notebook with OpenMC

```
(openmc-env) bclayto4@TABLET-PR939TQS:~$ jupyter-notebook
```

```
[I 08:42:46.472 NotebookApp] Serving notebooks from local directory: /home/bclayto4
[I 08:42:46.473 NotebookApp] Jupyter Notebook 6.4.3 is running at:
[I 08:42:46.473 NotebookApp] http://localhost:8888/?token=b84c27b7ab3efdf694769be5902d15d8f1fa8f87822f8809
[I 08:42:46.474 NotebookApp] or http://127.0.0.1:8888/?token=b84c27b7ab3efdf694769be5902d15d8f1fa8f87822f8809
[I 08:42:46.474 NotebookApp] Use Control-C to stop this server and shut down all kernels (twice to skip confirmation).
[C 08:42:46.519 NotebookApp]
```

To access the notebook, open this file in a browser:

file:///home/bclayto4/.local/share/jupyter/runtime/nbserver-191-open.html

Or copy and paste one of these URLs:

http://localhost:8888/?token=b84c27b7ab3efdf694769be5902d15d8f1fa8f87822f8809

or http://127.0.0.1:8888/?token=b84c27b7ab3efdf694769be5902d15d8f1fa8f87822f8809

# Homework


- <https://www.et.byu.edu/~mjm82/che612/Winter2024/Homework/homework.html>

# **OpenMC Day 2**

# **Spiritual Thought**



# Discussion Outline

- 1) Homework Questions
  - 2) OpenMC Tools
  - 3) Homework Help (If time allows)
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# OpenMC Tools

OpenMC has many tools at our disposal. For the Design of a Reactor, these tools will be most useful

- Generating Flux and Power Profiles
- Depletion Calculations
- Approximating Feedbacks

# Flux and Power Profile Set Up

# Flux and Fission Tallies

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- Why Would knowing the Flux or Power Profile be important?

# Heating Local

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- What is the Heating Local Assumption?



# Normalizing Tallies

the `heating` score over the entire system. This score provides the heating rate in units of [eV/source], which we'll denote  $H$ . Then, calculate the heating rate in J/source as

$$H' = 1.602 \times 10^{-19} \left[ \frac{\text{J}}{\text{eV}} \right] \cdot H \left[ \frac{\text{eV}}{\text{source}} \right].$$

Dividing the power by the observed heating rate then gives us a normalization factor that can be applied to other tallies:

$$f = \frac{P}{H'} = \frac{[\text{J/s}]}{[\text{J/source}]} = \left[ \frac{\text{source}}{\text{s}} \right].$$

Multiplying by the normalization factor and dividing by volume, we can then get the flux in typical units:

$$\phi' = \frac{f\phi}{V} = \frac{[\text{source/s}][\text{particle-cm/source}]}{[\text{cm}^3]} = \left[ \frac{\text{particle}}{\text{cm}^2 \cdot \text{s}} \right]$$

There are several slight variations on this procedure:

```
import h5py
import openmc
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
import numpy as np
%matplotlib notebook
```

```
# Load the statepoint file
sp_file = 'radial_sanscntrl_HastX_'
sp = openmc.StatePoint(sp_file + 'H.sp.h5')

tally = sp.get_tally(name='spatial flux')
print(tally)

heat = tally.get_slice(scores=['heating-local'])
print(heat)
```

```
H = float(np.mean(heat.mean)) #eV/source
H_prime = 1.60218E-19*H #J/source
num_plates = 90
dem = num_plates/2*4
P = 45.0E6/dem #W; total power of reactor slice
f = P/H_prime #source/s

print(f)
```

# Processing the Data

Pull Data

```
sp = openmc.StatePoint( sp_file + 'F.sp.h5')
tally = sp.get_tally(scores=['flux'])
print(tally)

flux = tally.get_slice(scores=['flux'])
fission = tally.get_slice(scores=['fission'])
print(heat)
```

```
#restructure array
numcells_x = 500
numcells_y = 500
numcells_z = 30

heat_array = np.ones((numcells_x, numcells_y, numcells_z))
flux_array = np.ones((numcells_x, numcells_y, numcells_z))
fission_array = np.ones((numcells_x, numcells_y, numcells_z))
i = j = k = 0
for n in range(len(flux.mean)):
    flux_array[i][j][k] = float(flux.mean[n])
    fission_array[i][j][k] = float(fission.mean[n])
    i += 1
    if i >= numcells_x:
        i = 0
        j += 1
    if j >= numcells_y:
        j = 0
        k += 1
    if k >= numcells_z:
        k = 0
print('done')
```

Rearrange  
pt1

Rearrange  
pt2

```
#re-organize dimensions (x, y, z) -> (z, y, x)
flux_array_new = np.ones((numcells_z, numcells_y, numcells_x))
fission_array_new = np.ones((numcells_z, numcells_y, numcells_x))
for i in range(len(flux_array)):
    for j in range(len(flux_array[i])):
        for k in range(len(flux_array[i][j])):
            flux_array_new[k][j][i] = flux_array[i][j][k] #converted from particle-cm/source to particle/(cm^2*s)
            fission_array_new[k][j][i] = fission_array[i][j][k]
print('done')
```

Normalize

```
vol_cell = (80.111/numcells_x)*(80.111/numcells_y)*(5.2/numcells_z) #cm^3/cell
P_fission = 3.171E-11 #J/fission_U233

flux_farray = np.ones((numcells_z, numcells_y, numcells_x))
power_farray = np.ones((numcells_z, numcells_y, numcells_x))
for n in range(len(flux_array_new)):
    for m in range(len(flux_array_new[n])):
        for p in range(len(flux_array_new[n][m])):
            flux_farray[n][m][p] = f*flux_array_new[n][m][p]/vol_cell #particle/(cm^2*s)
            power_farray[n][m][p] = f*fission_array_new[n][m][p]*P_fission/vol_cell #J/s/cm^3
print('done')
```

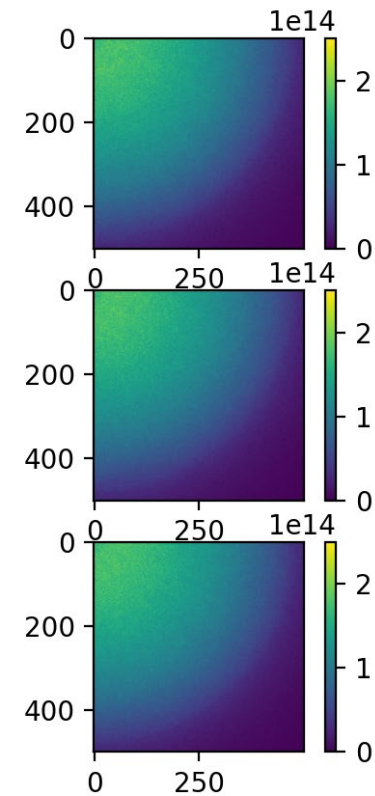
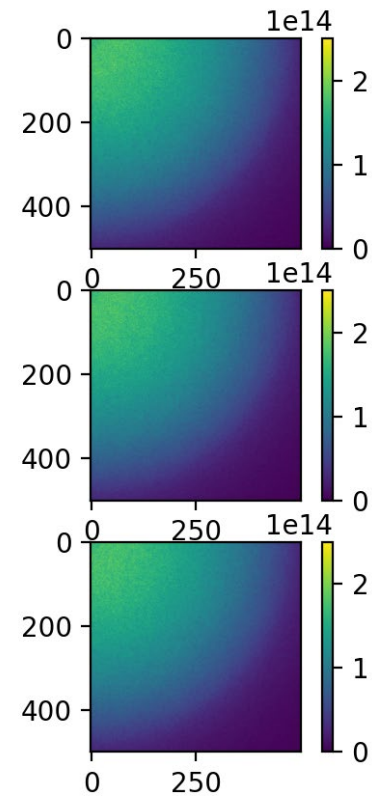
Output  
Means

```
print(sp_file)
print(np.mean(flux_farray), 'particles/(cm^2*s)')
print(np.mean(fission_array_new), 'fissions/source')
print(np.mean(power_farray), 'W/cm^3')
print('flux/source', np.mean(flux_array_new), 'particle-cm/source')
```

```
radial_sanscntrl_HastX_
81322604347261.19 particles/(cm^2*s)
5.692323567019851e-08 fissions/source
7.412980025246132 W/cm^3
flux/source 1.9801781732634628e-05 particle-cm/source
```

# Graphing: Flux

```
#true flux
fig11 = plt.subplot(321)
im11 = fig11.imshow(flux_farray[0],vmin = 0,vmax = 2.5e14) #particle/(cm^2*s)
plt.colorbar(im11)
fig21 = plt.subplot(322)
im21 = fig21.imshow(flux_farray[5],vmin = 0, vmax = 2.5e14) #particle/(cm^2*s)
plt.colorbar(im21)
fig31 = plt.subplot(323)
im31 = fig31.imshow(flux_farray[13],vmin = 0, vmax = 2.5e14) #particle/(cm^2*s)
plt.colorbar(im31)
fig41 = plt.subplot(324)
im41 = fig41.imshow(flux_farray[15],vmin = 0, vmax = 2.5e14) #particle/(cm^2*s)
plt.colorbar(im41)
fig51 = plt.subplot(325)
im51 = fig51.imshow(flux_farray[17],vmin = 0, vmax = 2.5e14) #particle/(cm^2*s)
plt.colorbar(im51)
fig61 = plt.subplot(326)
im61 = fig61.imshow(flux_farray[29],vmin = 0, vmax = 2.5e14) #particle/(cm^2*s)
plt.colorbar(im61)
```

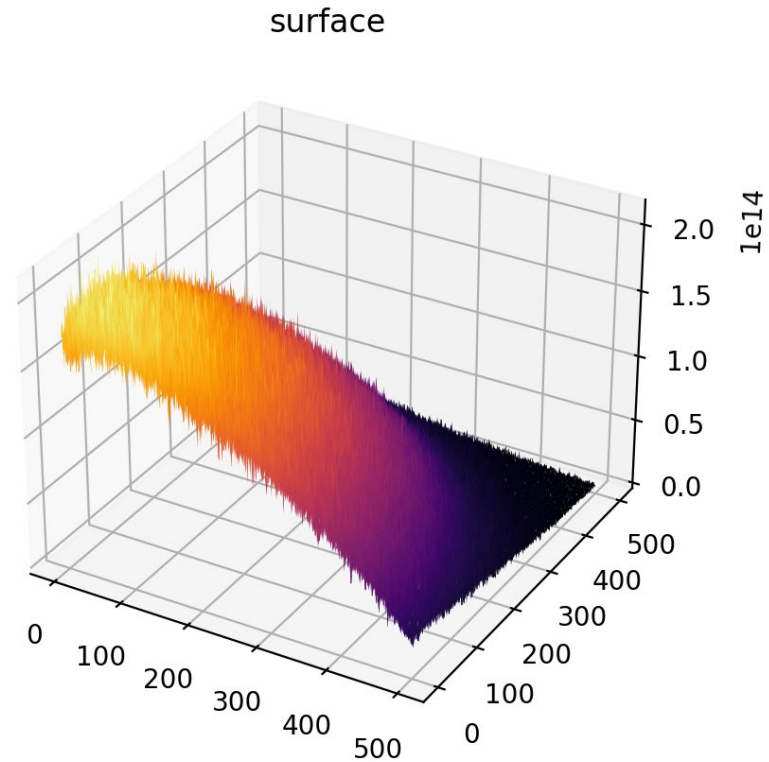


# Graphing: Flux

```
fig = plt.figure()
ax = plt.axes(projection='3d')

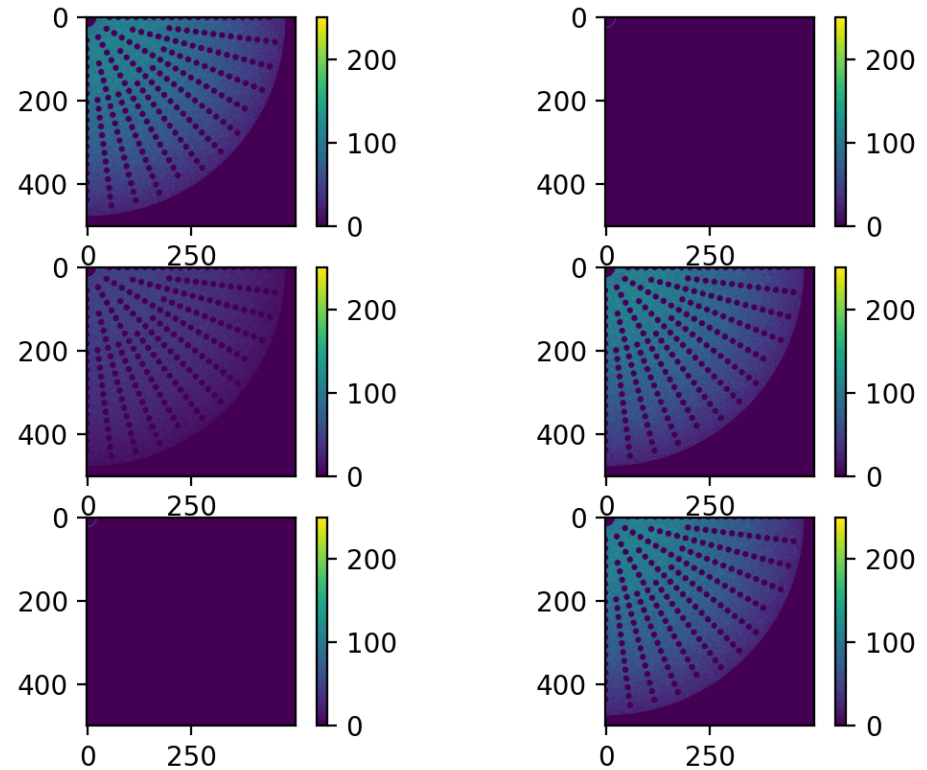
x = np.linspace(0, 500, 500)
y = np.linspace(0, 500, 500)

X, Y = np.meshgrid(x, y)
Z = flux_farray[15]
ax = plt.axes(projection='3d')
ax.plot_surface(X, Y, Z, rstride=1, cstride=1
               , cmap='inferno', edgecolor='none')
ax.set_title('surface');
```



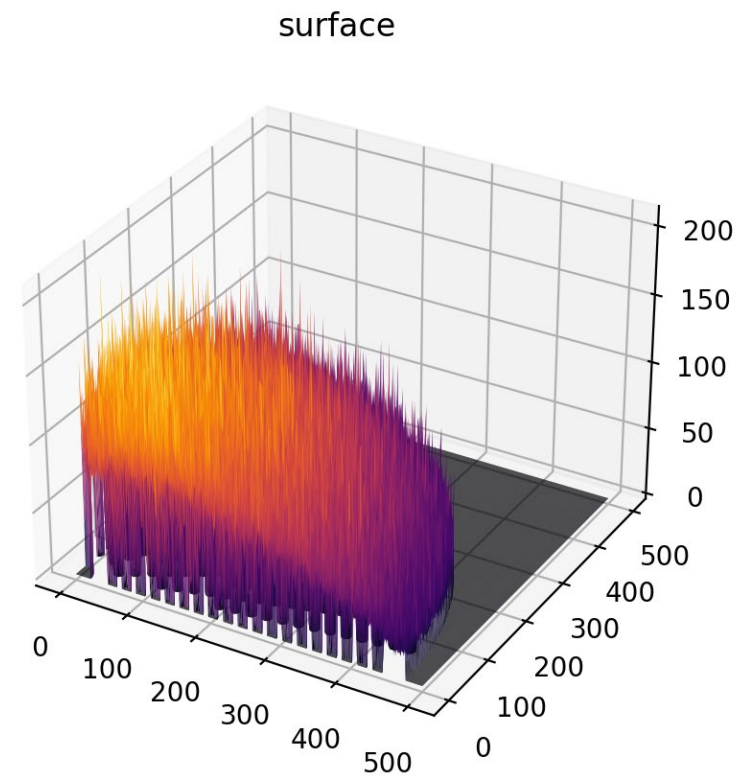
# Graphing: Power

```
#power
fig12 = plt.subplot(321)
im12 = fig12.imshow(power_farray[0], vmin=0, vmax=250) #W
plt.colorbar(im12)
fig22 = plt.subplot(322)
im22 = fig22.imshow(power_farray[5], vmin=0, vmax=250) #W
plt.colorbar(im22)
fig32 = plt.subplot(323)
im32 = fig32.imshow(power_farray[13], vmin=0, vmax=250) #W
plt.colorbar(im32)
fig42 = plt.subplot(324)
im42 = fig42.imshow(power_farray[15], vmin=0, vmax=250) #W
plt.colorbar(im42)
fig52 = plt.subplot(325)
im52 = fig52.imshow(power_farray[17], vmin=0, vmax=250) #W
plt.colorbar(im52)
fig62 = plt.subplot(326)
im62 = fig62.imshow(power_farray[29], vmin=0, vmax=250) #W
plt.colorbar(im62)
```



# Graphing: Power

```
PP = power_farray[15]
ax = plt.axes(projection='3d')
ax.plot_surface(X, Y, PP, rstride=1, cstride=1,
               , cmap='inferno', edgecolor='none')
ax.set_title('surface');
```



# Depletion/Burnup

1. Set desired materials to "depletable"
2. Define path to depletion chain '.xml'
3. Create openmc.deplete.Operator
4. Create integrator
  1. Specify power (W)
  2. Specify step size (s)
  3. Specify number of steps
5. Run OpenMC

How do we find the volume for complex Geometries?

```
1  ### Begin Depletion Section ###
2
3  import openmc.deplete
4
5  chainpath = "/home/username/openmc/Cross_Section_Libraries/endlfb71_hdf5/chain_endfb71_sfr.xml" #example path
6
7  chain = openmc.deplete.Chain.from_xml(chainpath)
8
9  operator = openmc.deplete.Operator(geometry, settings, chainpath)
10
11 power = 3.0e9 #W; power rating for the reactor
12
13 max_step = 2 * operator.heavy_metal / power * 1e3 #days; heavy_metal is mass of fuel atom in kg
14
15 time_steps = 4*[max_step * 24 * 60 * 60] #days -> s
16
17 integrator = openmc.deplete.PredictorIntegrator(operator, time_steps, power)
18
19 integrator.integrate()
20
21 ### End Depletion Section ###
```

```
3  uo2 = openmc.Material(1, "uo2")
4  uo2.add_nuclide('U235', 0.03)
5  uo2.add_nuclide('U238', 0.97)
6  uo2.add_nuclide('O16', 2.0)
7  uo2.temperature = 1000 #K
8  uo2.set_density('g/cm3', 10.0)
9  uo2.volume = 4.14072 #cm^3
10 uo2.depletable = True
```

# Volume Calculations

1. Create `openmc.VolumeCalculation` object
  1. Specify domains (materials or cells)
  2. Specify number of samples (affects accuracy)
  3. Specify volume bounds

```
1  ### Begin VolumeCalculation Section ###
2
3  vol = openmc.VolumeCalculation(domains=[uo2], \
4                                  samples=int(1e5), \
5                                  lower_left=[-3.0, -3.0, -3.0], \
6                                  upper_right=[3.0, 3.0, 3.0])
7
8  settings = openmc.Settings()
9  settings.volume_calculations = [vol]
10 settings.temperature = {'method': 'interpolation'}
11 settings.output = {'tallies': False}
12 settings.export_to_xml()
13
14 openmc.calculate_volumes()
15
16  ### End VolumeCalculation Section ###
```

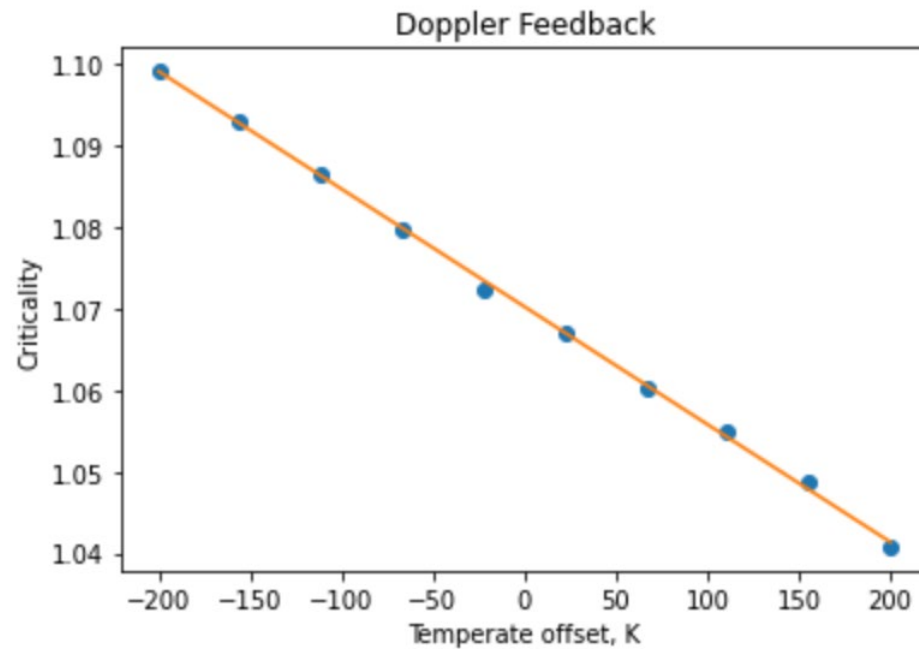


# Feedback Coefficients

- Generally, any average value for a reactor in units of (worth change/unit change)
- How could I approximate...
  - Fuel Temperature Feedback?
  - Moderator Temperature Feedback?
  - Moderator Void Feedback?
  - Poison Concentration Feedback?

$$\rho = \frac{k_{eff} - 1}{k_{eff}}$$

# Feedbacks: Doppler



```
def feedback(Tdev=0,T_pert_fuel=0,T_pert_mod=0,rho_mod=1,rho_cool=1):
    ....wt_poison = 0. #20%.run.

    ....with open('./mgst/temp.py','r') as temp:
    .........exec(temp.read())
    ....
    ....with open('./mgst/mat.py','r') as mat:
    .........exec(mat.read())
    ....
    ....with open('./mgst/geom.py','r') as geom:
    .........exec(geom.read())
    ....
    ....with open('./mgst/settings.py','r') as settings:
    .........exec(settings.read())
    ....
    ....if TalEV == 0:
    ....    ....with open('./mgst/flux.py','r') as flux:
    ....    .........exec(flux.read())
    ....    ....elif TalEV == 1:
    ....    ....    ....with open('./mgst/heat.py','r') as heat:
    ....    ....    .........exec(heat.read())
    ....
    ....#print("true U233.wo%:",xpu)

    ....### Begin Export Section ###

    ....geometry.export_to_xml()

    ....settings.export_to_xml()

    ....if TalEV == 0 or TalEV == 1:
    ....    ....tallies.export_to_xml()
    ....    ....print("tally-made")
    ....else:
    ....    ....print("no tally-made")

    ....materials.export_to_xml()

    ....### End Export Section ###

    ....openmc.run()

    nruns = 10
    Tlist = np.linspace(-200,200,nruns)
    klist = np.zeros(nruns)
    erlist = np.zeros(nruns)

    for i in range(nruns):
        ....feedback(0,Tlist[i],0)
        ....#openmc.run()

        ....results = h5py.File('./statepoint.120.h5','r')
        ....#print(results.keys())
        ....#print(results.get('k_combined')[0]) #0 is keff, 1 is error
        ....klist[i] = results.get('k_combined')[0]
        ....erlist[i] = results.get('k_combined')[1]
        ....results.close()

    ###loop through temps, loop through openmc runs, store keffs - need to extract keff from .h5

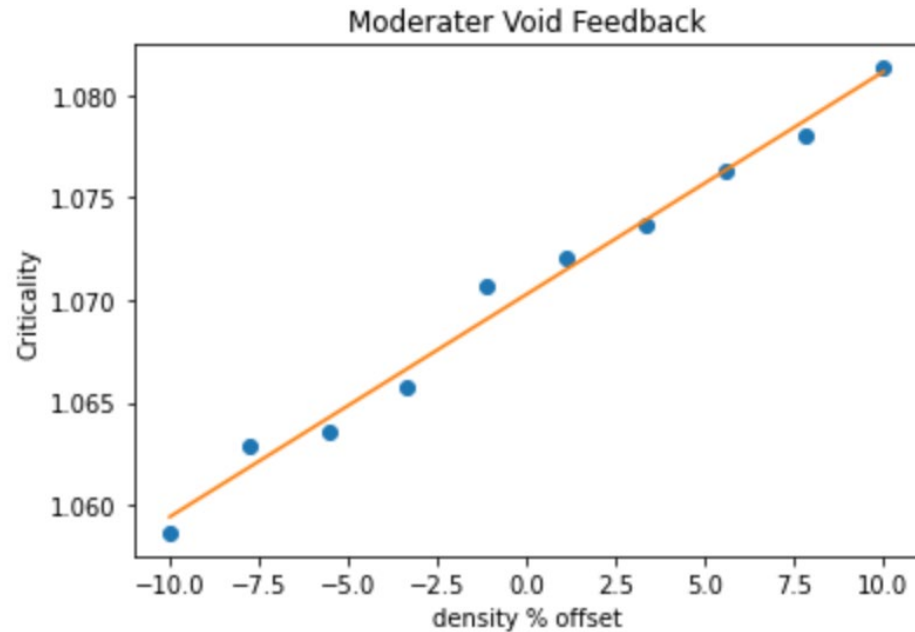
    data = np.array([klist,erlist,Tlist])

    np.savetxt('Fuel Temp Coefficient.out',data,delimiter=',')
```

# Feedbacks: Doppler

```
salt.temperature.=.T.=.1100.+Tdev.+T_pert_fuel.#K  
salt.set_density('kg/m3',.density.=.trho(T,xu,xp)).#FLiNaK.at.956.K  
salt.volume.=.16328.8  
salt.depletable.=.True
```

# Feedbacks: Moderator Void



```
import poison_def
poison = poison_def.set_poison()
print('the working poison is', poison.name)
Tdev = 0
T_pert_fuel = 0
T_pert_mod = 0
rho_mod = 1
rho_cool = 1

###End.Poison.Section.###

def feedback(Tdev=0, T_pert_fuel=0, T_pert_mod=0, rho_mod=1, rho_cool=1):
    wt_poison = 0 #20% run

    with open('./mgst/mat.py', 'r') as mat:
        exec(mat.read())

    with open('./mgst/geom.py', 'r') as geom:
        exec(geom.read())

    with open('./mgst/settings.py', 'r') as settings:
        exec(settings.read())

    with open('./mgst/tallies.py', 'r') as tallies:
        exec(tallies.read())

    openmc.run()

    nruns = 10
    Tlist = np.linspace(-200, 200, nruns)
    klist = np.zeros(nruns)
    erlist = np.zeros(nruns)
    rholist = np.linspace(0.9, 1.1, nruns)

    for i in range(nruns):
        feedback(rho_mod=rholist[i])
        #openmc.run()

        results = h5py.File('./statepoint.120.h5', 'r')
        #print(results.keys())
        #print(results.get('k_combined')[0]) #0 is keff, 1 is error
        klist[i] = results.get('k_combined')[0]
        erlist[i] = results.get('k_combined')[1]
        results.close()

    ###loop through temps, loop through openmc runs, store keffs -- need to extract keff from .h5

    data = np.array([klist, erlist, Tlist])

    np.savetxt('Moderator_void_feedback.out', data, delimiter=',')
```

# Feedbacks: Moderator Void

```
moderator = openmc.Material(6, name="Moderator")
moderator.add_element('C', 1.0)
#moderator.add_s_alpha_beta('c_Graphite') .....#bound atom cross sections
moderator.temperature = 918 + Tdev + T_pert_mod#K
moderator.set_density('g/cm3', density = rho_mod*(3.51/(1 + 3*(3.4833333e-9*moderator.temperature + 8.901941667e-7)*(moderator.temperature - 298.15)))) #Diamond at Temp
```