

Neutron update and transition to 1x2x6

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- **Measured definition of PU foam composition**

- Atomic composition: $C_{54}H_{60}O_{15}N_4$, density 0.09 g/cc
- Estimated capture rate reduction:
 - $75\text{cm} * 0.09 \text{ g/cc} = 6.75 \text{ g cm}^{-2}$
 - It is known that 10cm of CH_2 (9.2 g cm^{-2}) attenuates neutrons by factor 10-20
 - Accounting for thickness and hydrogen content we can expect attenuation of 3-5 (ish)

- **Capture rate results**

- Capture rate before insulation applied in geometry: 116.37 Hz
- Capture rate after insulation applied in geometry: 19.75 Hz
- Attenuation factor: 5.9
- This is higher than the estimated range, however the estimation doesn't take into account the attenuation from the C, N, O

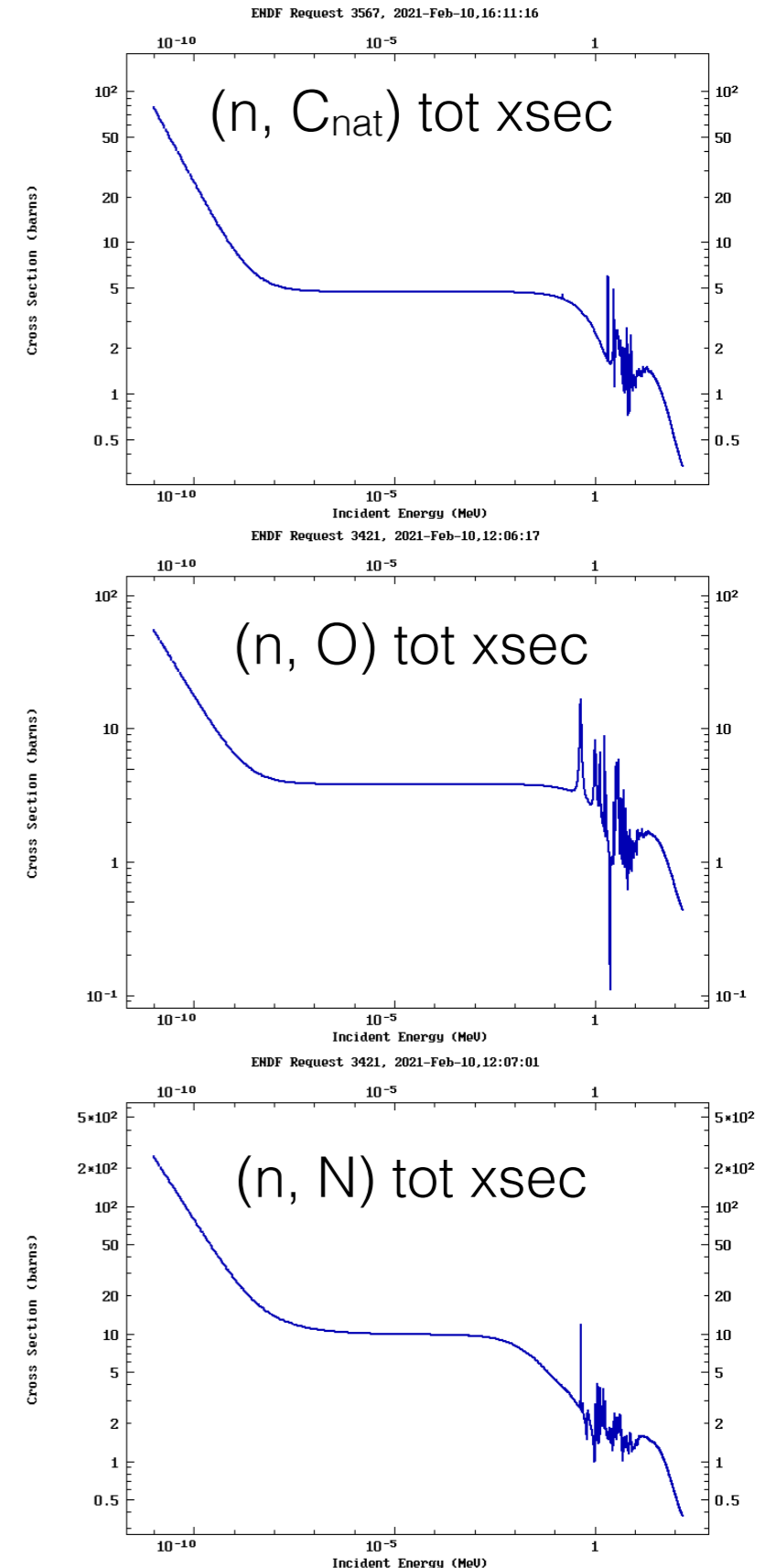
- **Pre larsoft v08_62_00 (before August 2020)**
 - GEANT4 v4_10_3_p03b was being used
 - Nuclear data library: G4NDL4.5
 - Neutron cross sections below 20 MeV come from ENDF/B-VII.1

- **Post larsoft v08_62_00 (after August 2020)**
 - GEANT4 v4_10_6_p01 is now being used
 - Nuclear data library updates to G4NDL4.6
 - Neutron cross sections below 20 MeV come from JEFF-3.3

- **Packages I've used**
 - For the task force review (work done from May - July) larsoft v08_43_00, pre GEANT4 update
 - More recently updated to larsoft v09_08_00 (live since October 2020)

- **Carbon, oxygen and nitrogen cross sections**
 - All elements have resonances at ~ 1 MeV
 - These will contribute to neutron attenuation
 - Small peak at 0.1 MeV in carbon cross section coming from the similar peak in the C-13 cross section
- **Overview**
 - There are no earth shattering changes between the different libraries
 - It is very unclear why results have varied as they have

JEFF-3.3



- **Source by source breakdown**

- Dominant source: Shotcrete
- Next leading source: Cavern rock
- Total capture rate: 3 Hz

	Rock	Concrete	Shotcrete	I-Beams	Warm Skin	Cold Steel	Total
Capture Rate [Hz]	1.04	1.13E-01	1.35	2.13E-01	8.53E-02	2.03E-01	3.00

- **Spectra for 1x2x6 sims**

- For each neutron:
 - Measure the energy of the particle IF it crosses into the LAr
 - Populate a TH1D with these energy values
 - Fit, as best as possible, a curve to the histogram
 - Produce relevant 10,000 point TGraph as input for new 1x2x6 sim

- All spectra now in:

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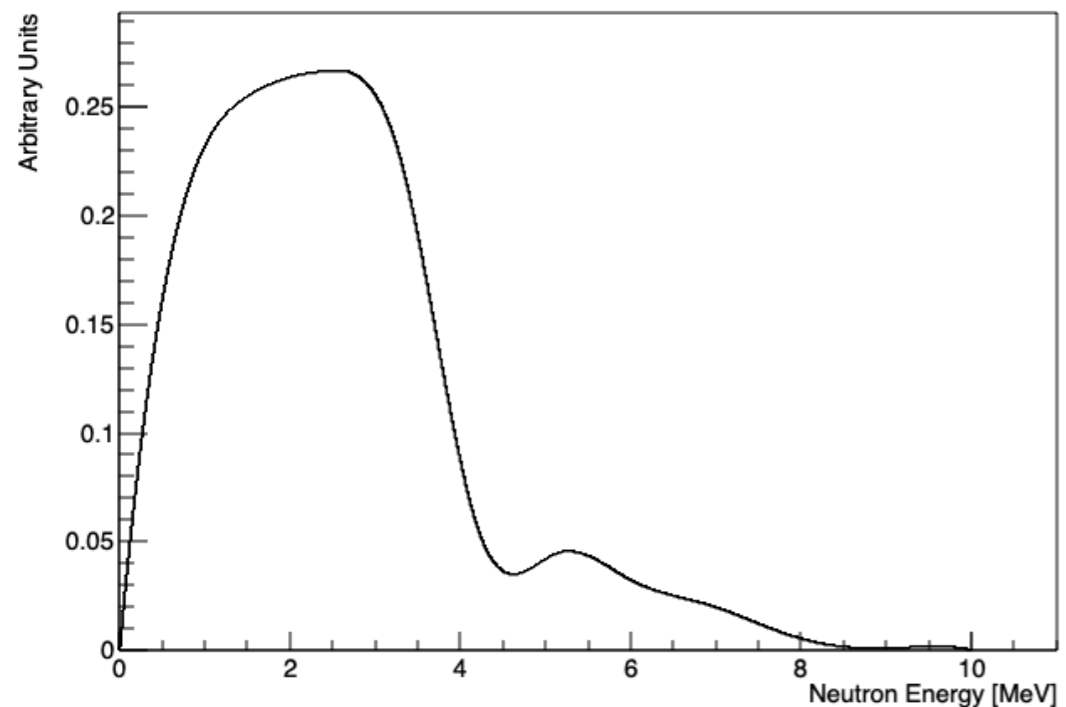
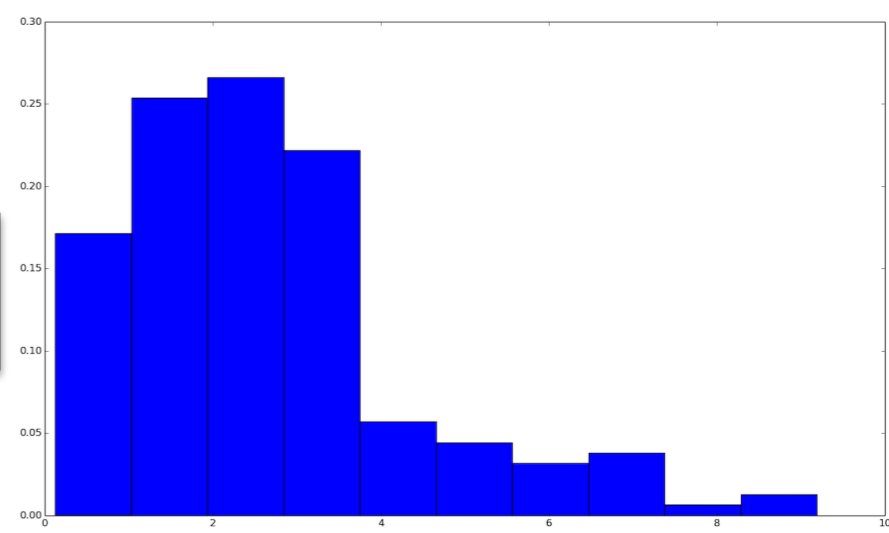
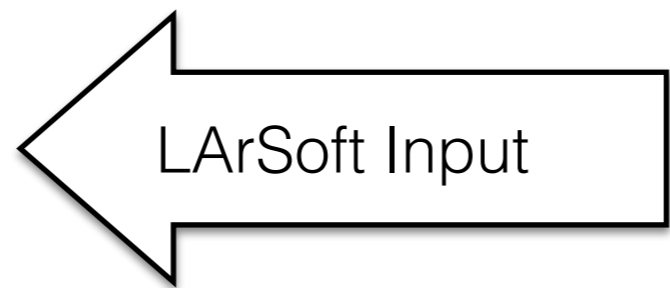
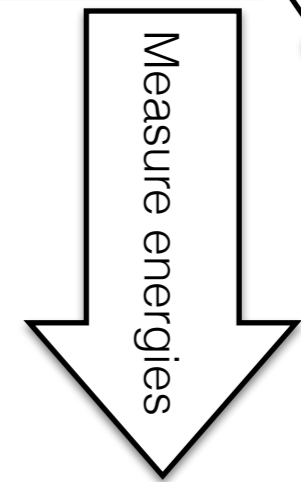
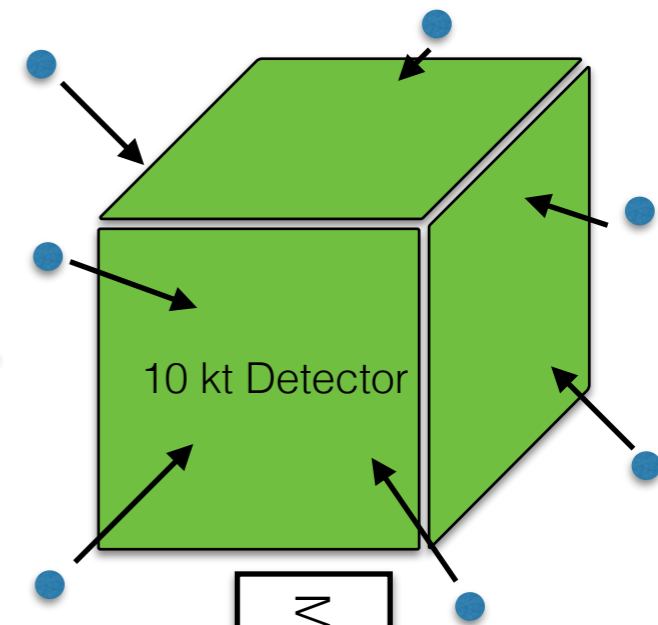
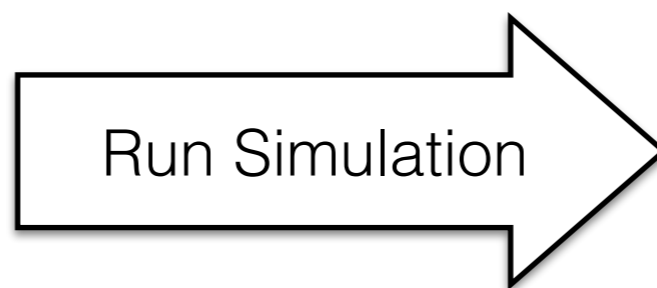
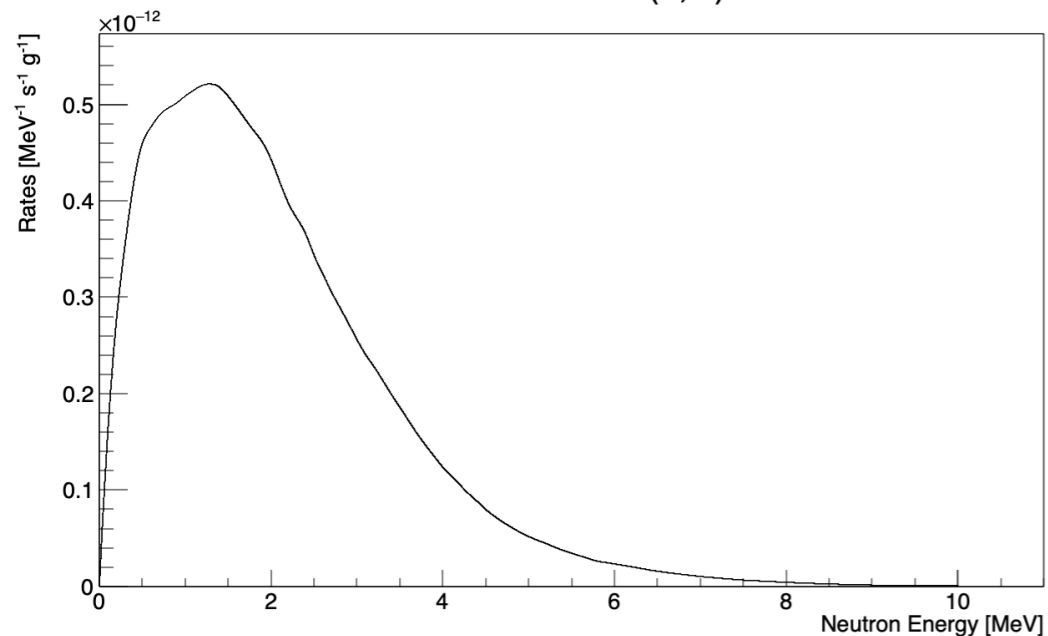
- **Scaling fluxes for 1x2x6 sim**

- For each source stand alone sims of 100,000 events were run
- Capture rate recorded for each
- Flux value tuned to get capture rate to match that seen in full geometry

- **Verifying the results**

- All 18 sources run simultaneously using new radiological model fhicl
- Total capture rate recorded to be 2.8 Hz (close enough?)

Neutrons from Thorium (α, n) and SF



- **Capture rate**

- All main sources analysed
- Combined neutron capture rate of 3 Hz

- **Workspace simulation**

- Scaling of sources now complete
- Ready to be applied to new radiological model
- I'm trying to run jobs to see how this impacts the Marley + background results
- As soon as they stop getting held up will investigate clustering/triggering/SNB efficiencies