

**Lecture Note 1**

**Collision Probability Method**

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# Neutron Transport Equation and Solution Difficulties

- Boltzmann Neutron Transport Equation

$$\hat{\Omega} \nabla \varphi(\vec{r}, E, \hat{\Omega}) + \Sigma_t(\vec{r}, E) \varphi(\vec{r}, E, \hat{\Omega}) = \int \int_{\hat{\Omega}' E'} \Sigma_s(\hat{\Omega}' \rightarrow \hat{\Omega}, E' \rightarrow E) \varphi(\vec{r}, E', \hat{\Omega}') dE' d\hat{\Omega}' + \frac{1}{4\pi} \chi(E) \psi(\vec{r})$$

↓

Streaming = Net outflow through surfaces =  $\Omega_x \left( \varphi(x + \Delta x, \dots, \hat{\Omega}) - \varphi(x, \dots, \hat{\Omega}) \right) \Delta y \Delta z$   
Term

per unit volume  $\rightarrow \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi(x + \Delta x, \dots, \hat{\Omega}) - \varphi(x, \dots, \hat{\Omega})}{\Delta x} = \Omega_x \frac{\partial \varphi}{\partial x} \rightarrow \hat{\Omega} \nabla \varphi$  in general

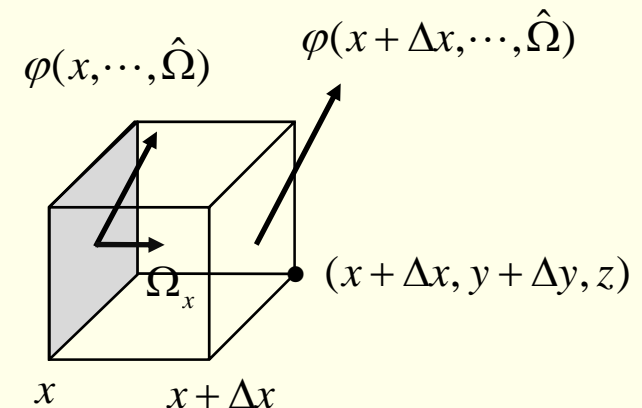
- Solution Difficulties

$$\Sigma(\vec{r}, E) = \sum_i N_i(\vec{r}, T(\vec{r})) \sigma_i(T(\vec{r}), E)$$

- Strong energy dependence of Xsec
- Angular dependence severe locally
- Temperature dependence of Xsec which depends on flux through power

- Practical Solution Approaches

- Multigroup
- Angle discretization ( $S_n$ ) or orthogonal expansion ( $P_L$ )
- Iteration between flux and T/H field solutions



# Three-Step Core Neutronics Calculation Procedure

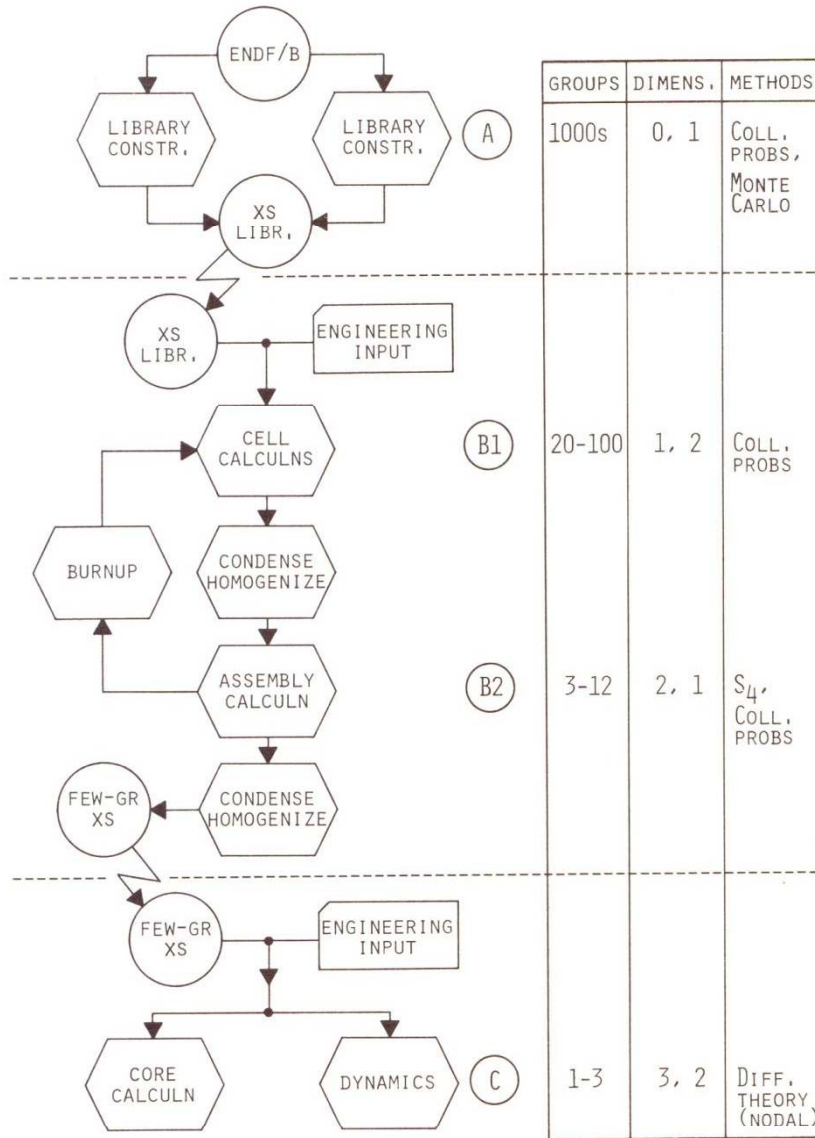


FIG. 3 Calculational flow scheme of reactor-physics design.

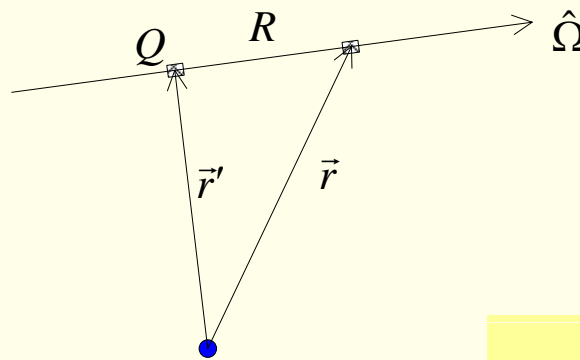
# Two Forms of Multigroup Transport Equation

## ① Differential (Boltzmann) Transport Equation

$$\hat{\Omega} \cdot \nabla \varphi_g(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}) + \Sigma_{tg}(\vec{r}) \varphi_g(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}) = Q_g$$

$$Q_g(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}) = \frac{1}{4\pi} \lambda \chi_g \psi + \sum_{g'=1}^G \int \Sigma_{g'g}(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}' \rightarrow \hat{\Omega}) \varphi_{g'}(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}') d\hat{\Omega}'$$

## ② Integral Transport Equation (isotropic source)



$R = |\vec{r} - \vec{r}'|$  [cm]

$\varphi_g(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}) = \int_s \frac{Q_g(\vec{r}')}{4\pi R^2} e^{-\Sigma_t R} d\vec{r}'$

$\frac{R}{\lambda_t} \rightarrow \rho(R)$  distance in mfp or optical length

$$\phi_g(\vec{r}) = \int_V \frac{e^{-\rho(R)}}{4\pi R^2} Q_g(\vec{r}') dV' \quad : \text{Scalar Flux}$$

$f(\phi) \rightarrow$  Integral Equation

# Scattering Source in Multigroup Transport Equation

$$\begin{aligned}
 Q_g^s &= \sum_{g'=1}^G \int_{\hat{\Omega}'} \Sigma_{g'g}(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}' \rightarrow \hat{\Omega}) \varphi_g(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}') d\hat{\Omega}' \\
 &= \int_{\hat{\Omega}'} \Sigma_{gg}(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}' \rightarrow \hat{\Omega}) \varphi_g(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}') d\hat{\Omega}' \\
 &\quad + \int_{\hat{\Omega}'} \sum_{g' \neq g} \Sigma_{g'g}(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}' \rightarrow \hat{\Omega}) \varphi_g(\vec{r}, \hat{\Omega}') d\hat{\Omega}'
 \end{aligned}$$

Unknown : Self scattering, change only direction

Scattering from other groups, considered known  
under source iteration scheme to multigroup problems

- Differential Scattering Cross Section

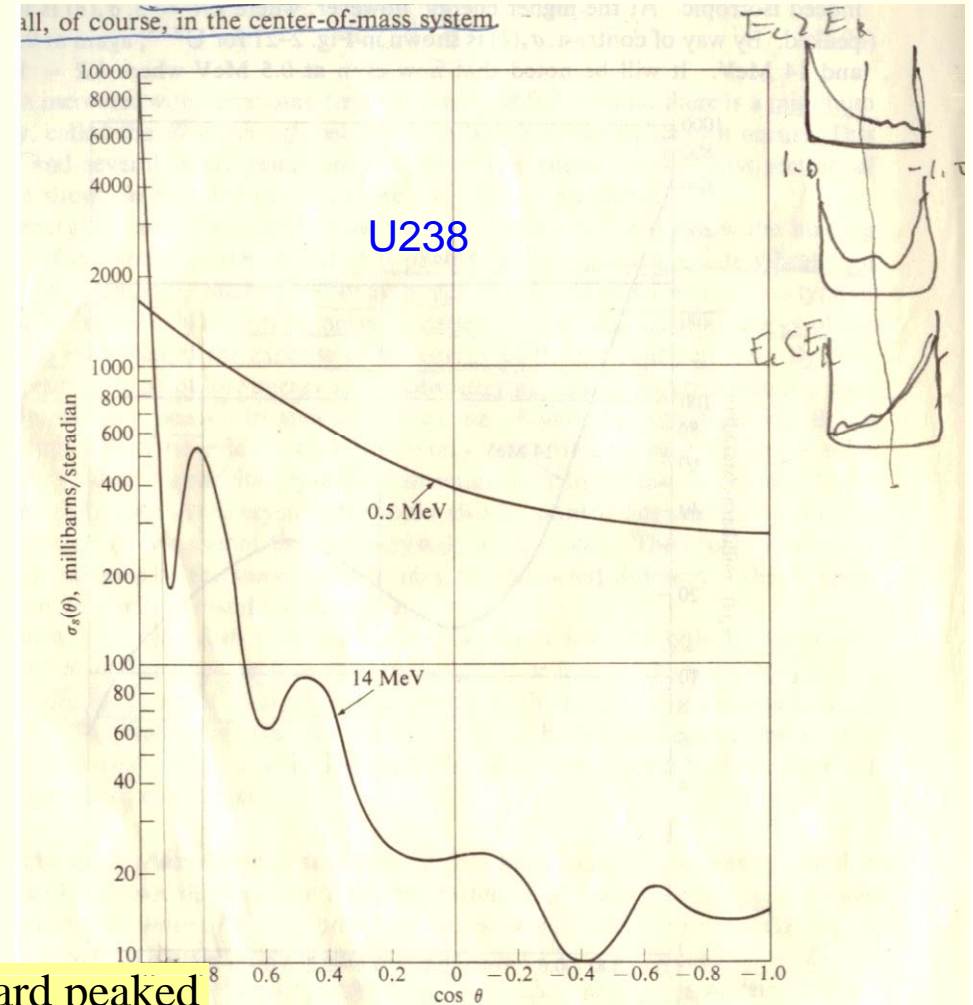
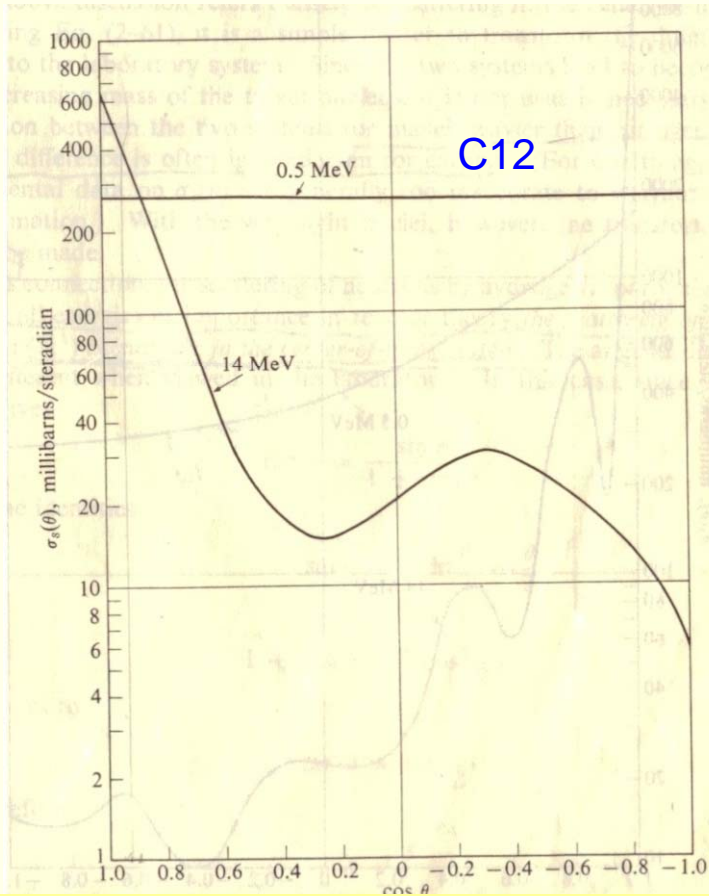
$$\Sigma_{g'g}(\hat{\Omega}' \rightarrow \hat{\Omega}) = \Sigma_{g'g} f_{g'g}(\mu_s) \quad \text{where } \mu_s = \cos(\theta_s) \text{ of the angle } \theta_s \text{ between } \hat{\Omega}' \text{ and } \hat{\Omega}$$

Scattering kernel

# Differential Scattering Cross Section in CMS

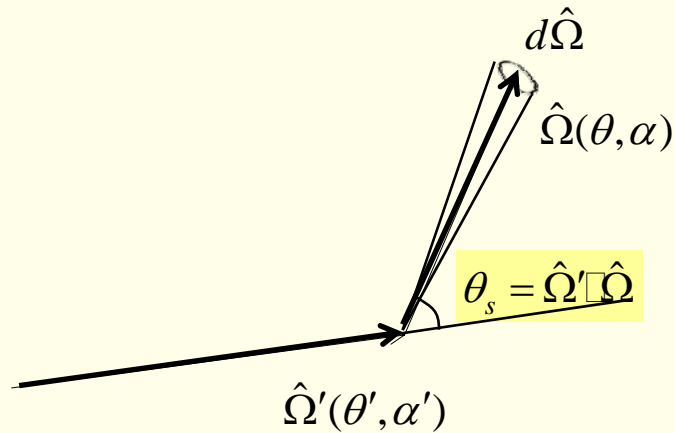
- $s$  wave scattering is isotropic in CMS ( $\because l = 0 \rightarrow \tau = 0$ )

low energy, light nucleus



- At higher energy or for heavier nuclei, forward peaked

# Representation of Scattering Anisotropy

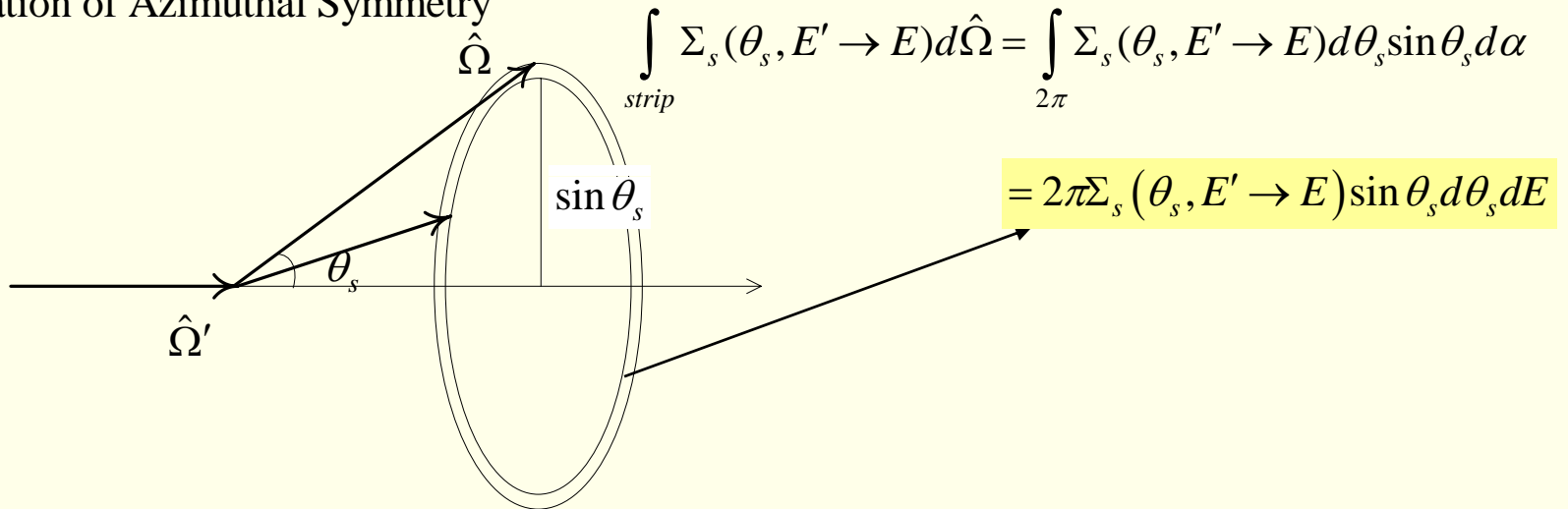


Differential Scattering Xsec  
1/cm-steradian,eV

$$\Sigma_s(\theta_s, E' \rightarrow E) d\hat{\Omega} dE$$

: Probability per unit distance of travel to scatter into angle  $d\hat{\Omega}$  around  $\hat{\Omega}$  and to  $dE$  from  $E$

- Consideration of Azimuthal Symmetry



$$\int_{strip} \Sigma_s(\theta_s, E' \rightarrow E) d\hat{\Omega} = \int_{2\pi} \Sigma_s(\theta_s, E' \rightarrow E) d\theta_s \sin \theta_s d\alpha$$

$$= 2\pi \Sigma_s(\theta_s, E' \rightarrow E) \sin \theta_s d\theta_s dE$$

# Legendre Polynomial for Scattering Anisotropy

– Integrate over  $\theta_0$

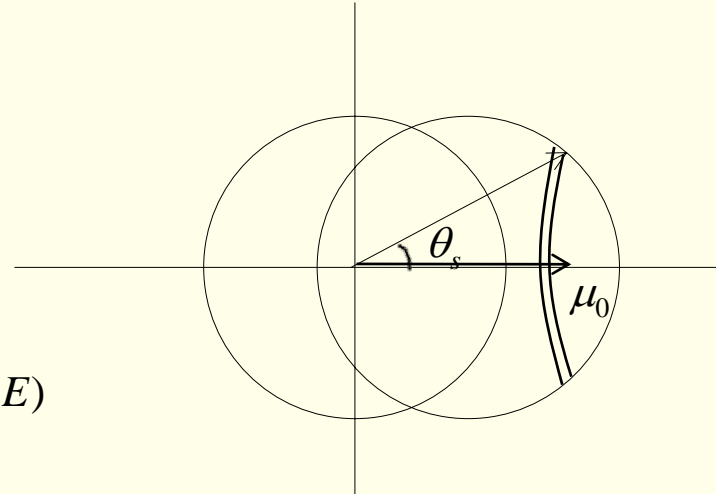
$$\int_0^\pi 2\pi \Sigma_s(\theta_s, E' \rightarrow E) \sin \theta_s d\theta_s$$

$$\mu = \cos \theta_s \rightarrow d\mu = -\sin \theta_s d\theta_s$$

$$\theta_s : 0 \rightarrow \pi$$

$$\mu : 1 \rightarrow -1$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 2\pi \Sigma_s(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) d\mu_s = \Sigma_s(E' \rightarrow E)$$



• Legendre Expansion of Angular Dependence

$$f(x) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} a_l P_l(x) \rightarrow \int_{-1}^1 f(x) P_l(x) dx = a_l \langle P_l, P_l \rangle \rightarrow a_l = \frac{1}{\langle P_l, P_l \rangle} \int_{-1}^1 f(x) P_l(x) dx$$

$l$ -th Legendre moment of  $f(x)$

$$\text{Let } f(\mu_s) = 2\pi \Sigma_s(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) \quad \langle P_l, P_l \rangle = \int_{-1}^1 P_l(x) P_l(x) dx = |P_l|^2$$

$$\text{Moment: } \int_{-1}^1 2\pi \Sigma_s(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) P_l(x) d\mu_s \equiv \tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(l)}(E' \rightarrow E) \rightarrow P_l \text{ moment}$$

$$a_l = \frac{1}{\langle P_l, P_l \rangle} \tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(l)}(E' \rightarrow E) \rightarrow 2\pi \Sigma_s(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\langle P_l, P_l \rangle} \tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(l)}(E' \rightarrow E) P_l(\mu_s)$$



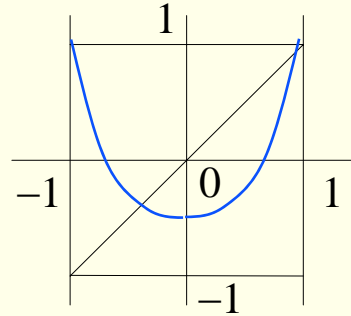
# Legendre Functions

$$\int_{-1}^1 P_l(x) dx = 0$$

$$P_0(x) = 1$$

$$P_1(x) = x$$

$$P_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(3x^2 - 1)$$



$$\int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$|P_0|^2 = \frac{2}{1}, \quad |P_1|^2 = \frac{2}{3}, \quad |P_2|^2 = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$|P_l|^2 = \frac{2}{2l+1}$$

- Final form of Legendre angular expansion

$$2\pi \Sigma_s(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{2l+1}{2} \tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(l)}(E' \rightarrow E) P_l(\mu_s)$$

$$\tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(0)}(E' \rightarrow E) = \int_{-1}^1 2\pi \Sigma_s(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) d\mu_s = \Sigma_s(E' \rightarrow E)$$

$$\tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(1)}(E' \rightarrow E) = \int_{-1}^1 2\pi \Sigma_s(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) \mu_s d\mu_s$$

– in  $4\pi$  space

$$\Sigma_s(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) = \sum_{l=0}^{\infty} \frac{2l+1}{4\pi} \tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(l)}(E' \rightarrow E) P_l(\mu_s)$$

# Linear Scattering Anisotropy

- Neglect second and higher order terms in Legendre expansion

$$2\pi\Sigma(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) = \frac{1}{2}\Sigma_s(E' \rightarrow E) + \frac{3}{2}\tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(1)}(E' \rightarrow E)\mu_s + \frac{5}{2}\tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(2)}(E' \rightarrow E)\mu_s^2 + \dots$$

- Average Cosine

$$\bar{\mu}_s(E' \rightarrow E) = \int_{-1}^1 p(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) \mu_s d\mu_s$$

$$\bar{\mu}_s(E') = \frac{1}{\Sigma_s(E')} \int_0^\infty \int_{-1}^1 2\pi\Sigma_s(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E) d\mu_s dE$$

$$= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\Sigma_s(\mu_s, E' \rightarrow E)}{\Sigma_s(E' \rightarrow E)} \mu_s \cdot d\mu_s = \frac{\tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(1)}(E' \rightarrow E)}{\Sigma_s(E' \rightarrow E)}$$

$$= \frac{\tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(1)}(E')}{\Sigma_s(E')}$$

$$\rightarrow \tilde{\Sigma}_s^{(1)}(E) = \bar{\mu}_s(E)\Sigma_s(E)$$

$$\Sigma_{s1} = \bar{\mu}_s \Sigma_{s0}$$

- In Multigroup Approach

$$S = \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \cdots & \Sigma_{g'1} & \Sigma_{G1} \\ \vdots & \ddots & \Sigma_{g'2} & \\ \Sigma_{1g} & \Sigma_{2g} & \ddots & \Sigma_{Gg} \\ & & \Sigma_{g'g} & \end{bmatrix} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{21} \\ \Sigma_{12} & \Sigma_{22} \\ \Sigma_{13} & \end{bmatrix} + \frac{3}{2} \mu_s \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\Sigma}_{11}^{(1)} & \tilde{\Sigma}_{21}^{(1)} \\ \tilde{\Sigma}_{12}^{(1)} & \tilde{\Sigma}_{22}^{(1)} \\ \tilde{\Sigma}_{13}^{(1)} & \end{bmatrix}$$

$$(\Sigma_{g'g} \equiv \Sigma_{g' \rightarrow g})$$

$$\Sigma_{sg} = \sum_{g'=1}^G \Sigma_{gg'}$$

$$\bar{\mu}_{sg} = \frac{\tilde{\Sigma}_{sg}^{(1)}}{\Sigma_{sg}} = \frac{\sum_{g'=1}^G \tilde{\Sigma}_{gg'}^{(1)}}{\sum_{g'=1}^G \Sigma_{gg'}}$$

← defined for out-scattering

# How to Construct Scattering Source with Linear Scattering Anisotropy

$$\Sigma_{g'g}(\mu_s, \alpha) = \left( \frac{1}{2} \Sigma_{g'g} + \frac{3}{2} \tilde{\Sigma}_{g'g}^{(1)} \right) \times \frac{1}{2\pi} = \frac{1}{4\pi} \Sigma_{g'g} + \frac{3}{4\pi} \mu_s \tilde{\Sigma}_{g'g}^{(1)}$$

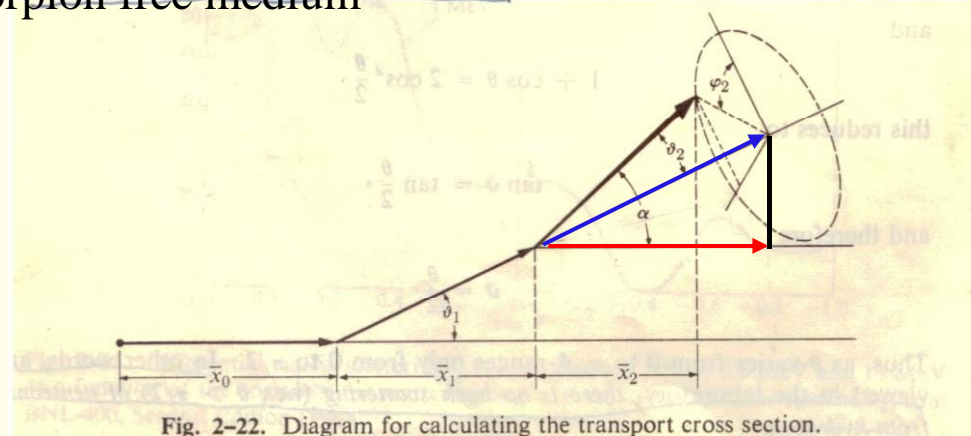
- Scattering Source

$$\begin{aligned} Q_{g'g}(\hat{\Omega}) &= \int_{\hat{\Omega}} \Sigma_{g'g}(\mu_s) \varphi_{g'}(\hat{\Omega}') d\hat{\Omega}' \quad \hat{\Omega}' \cdot \hat{\Omega} \\ &= \int_{4\pi} \left( \frac{1}{4\pi} \Sigma_{g'g} + \frac{3}{4\pi} \tilde{\Sigma}_{g'g}^{(1)} \mu_s \right) \varphi_{g'}(\hat{\Omega}') d\hat{\Omega}' \\ &= \frac{\Sigma_{g'g}}{4\pi} \int_{4\pi} \varphi_{g'}(\hat{\Omega}') d\hat{\Omega}' + \frac{3\tilde{\Sigma}_{g'g}^{(1)}}{4\pi} \int_{4\pi} \hat{\Omega}' \cdot \hat{\Omega} \varphi_{g'}(\hat{\Omega}') d\hat{\Omega}' \\ &= \frac{1}{4\pi} \Sigma_{g'g} \phi_{g'} + \frac{3}{4\pi} \tilde{\Sigma}_{g'g}^{(1)} \underbrace{\int_{4\pi} \varphi_{g'}(\hat{\Omega}') \hat{\Omega}' d\hat{\Omega}' \cdot \hat{\Omega}}_{= \vec{J}_{g'} \cdot \hat{\Omega}} \end{aligned}$$

→ need the current info to construct scattering source under P<sub>1</sub> representation of scattering

# Transport Cross Section

- Suppose first absorption free medium



$$\bar{x}_1 = \lambda_s \bar{\mu} \quad \bar{x}_2 = \lambda_s \bar{\mu}^2 \quad \bar{x}_n = \lambda_s \bar{\mu}^n \quad \lambda = \lambda_s (1 + \bar{\mu} + \bar{\mu}^2 + \dots) = \frac{\lambda_s}{1 - \bar{\mu}} = \frac{1}{\Sigma_s (1 - \bar{\mu})}$$

$$\Sigma_s^{tr} = (1 - \bar{\mu}) \Sigma_s \rightarrow \text{reduced scattering cross section to consider anisotropic scattering}$$

isotropic scattering treatment, transport corrected scattering Xsec

- With now absorption

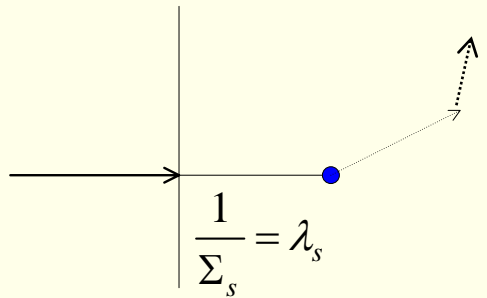
$$\Sigma_{tr} = \Sigma_a + \Sigma_s^{tr} \rightarrow \text{transport cross section, later to be used to define diffusion coefficient}$$

Projection by fraction  $\mu$  to the incoming direction

Projection to the initial direction after n collision =  $\mu^n$

# Transport Correction

- Transport Correction



$$\lambda_{tr} = \frac{\lambda_s}{1 - \bar{\mu}_s} = \frac{1}{\Sigma_s(1 - \bar{\mu}_s)} = \frac{1}{\Sigma_s^{tr}}$$

$$\Sigma_s^{tr} = \Sigma_s(1 - \bar{\mu}_s) : \text{transport corrected scattering xsec}$$

$$\Sigma_t' = \Sigma_a + \Sigma_s^{tr} = \Sigma_a + \Sigma_s(1 - \bar{\mu}_s) = \Sigma_{tr}$$

–Anisotropic Scattering

Forward peak  $\bar{\mu}_s > 0$

$$\bar{\mu}_s \Sigma_{sg} = \frac{\sum_{g'=1}^G \tilde{\Sigma}_{g'g}^{(1)} J_{g'}}{\sum_{g'=1}^G J_{g'}}$$

- Transport Correction in Multigroup Approach for Isotropic Scattering Treatment

$$S = [\Sigma_{g'g}] = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11} & \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{31} \\ \Sigma_{12} & \Sigma_{22} & \Sigma_{32} \\ \Sigma_{13} & \Sigma_{23} & \Sigma_{33} \end{bmatrix} + \frac{3}{2} \mu_s \begin{bmatrix} \tilde{\Sigma}_{11}^{(1)} & \tilde{\Sigma}_{21}^{(1)} & \tilde{\Sigma}_{31}^{(1)} \\ \tilde{\Sigma}_{12}^{(1)} & \tilde{\Sigma}_{22}^{(1)} & \tilde{\Sigma}_{32}^{(1)} \\ \tilde{\Sigma}_{13}^{(1)} & \tilde{\Sigma}_{23}^{(1)} & \tilde{\Sigma}_{33}^{(1)} \end{bmatrix} \approx \begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_{11}^{tr} & \Sigma_{21} & \Sigma_{31} \\ \Sigma_{12} & \Sigma_{22}^{tr} & \Sigma_{32} \\ \Sigma_{13} & \Sigma_{23} & \Sigma_{33}^{tr} \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\Sigma_{gg}^{tr} = \Sigma_{gg} - \bar{\mu}_s \Sigma_{sg}$$

correction only diagonal

$\bar{\mu}_s \Sigma_{sg} = \tilde{\Sigma}_{sg}^{(1)} = \sum_{g'=1}^G \tilde{\Sigma}_{gg'}^{(1)}$  : Column sum(out-scat) in principle!, but usually replaced by row sum with in-scattering current weighting for high energy groups

(consistent  $P_1$  for  $g < G_{epithermal}$ )

# 1G Integral Transport Equation with Transport Correction

$$\phi_g(\vec{r}) = \int_V \frac{e^{-\rho_g(R)}}{4\pi R^2} \left( \Sigma_{gg}^{tr} \phi(\vec{r}) + Q'_g(\vec{r}) \right) dV'$$

$\rho_g = \Sigma_{tr,g} R = \frac{R}{\lambda_{tr,g}}$        $\Sigma_{tr,g} = \Sigma_{tg} - \bar{\mu} \Sigma_{sg}$

Isotropic Source After Transport Correction

$$\Sigma_{gg}^{tr} = \Sigma_{gg} - \bar{\mu} \Sigma_{gg} : \text{for self scattering source}$$

$$Q'_g(\vec{r}) = \lambda \chi_g \psi + \sum_{g' \neq g} \Sigma_{g'g}(\vec{r}) \phi_{g'}(\vec{r}) : \text{Fission + Scattering from other groups}$$

$$\text{where } \psi(\vec{r}) = \sum_{g'=1}^G \nu \Sigma_{fg'}(\vec{r}) \phi_{g'}(\vec{r})$$

- Kernels of Integral Transport Equation

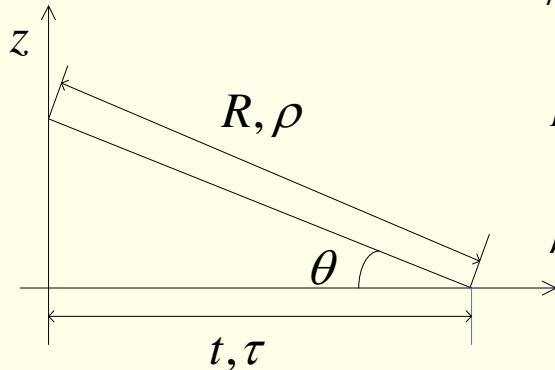
- For point source

$$n(\vec{r}' \rightarrow \vec{r}) = \frac{e^{-\rho(R)}}{4\pi R^2} : \text{flux due to unit source}$$

# Kernels of Integral Transport Equation in 2D Problems

- Flux at point away  $R$  from a **unit** line source

– line source



$$\phi(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\rho(R)}}{4\pi R^2} dz$$

$$R = f(t, z) = \frac{t}{\cos \theta}, \quad \frac{z}{t} = \tan \theta, \quad dz = t \tan' \theta d\theta = \frac{t}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta$$

$$\rho = \frac{\tau}{\cos \theta}$$

$$z : -\infty \rightarrow \infty$$

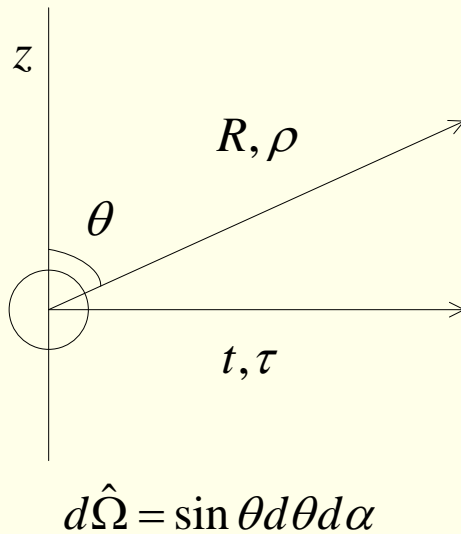
$$\theta : -\frac{\pi}{2} \rightarrow \frac{\pi}{2}$$

$$\phi(t) = \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{e^{-\frac{\tau}{\cos \theta}}}{4\pi \frac{t^2}{\cos^2 \theta}} t \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta = \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{e^{-\frac{\tau}{\cos \theta}}}{4\pi t} d\theta = \frac{1}{2\pi t} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-\frac{\tau}{\cos \theta}} d\theta = \frac{ki_1(\tau)}{2\pi t}$$

$$\text{Bickely Function of order } n: Ki_n(\tau) \equiv \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{n-1} \theta e^{-\frac{\tau}{\cos \theta}} d\theta$$

# Probability of Horizontal Uncollided Movement

- Probability of a source neutron to move  $t$  horizontally uncollided  $\rightarrow$  Emitted in  $d\hat{\Omega}$ , then travel  $R$



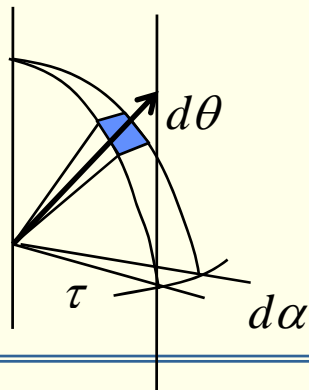
$$p(\tau) = \int_0^\pi \int_0^{2\pi} \frac{d\Omega}{4\pi} e^{-\rho(R)} = \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2} e^{-\rho(R)} \sin \theta d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{\tau}{\sin \theta}} \sin \theta d\theta$$

$\theta' = \frac{\pi}{2} - \theta$	$\theta : 0 \rightarrow \pi$	$\sin \theta = \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2} - \theta'\right)$ $= \cos \theta'$
$d\theta' = -d\theta$	$\theta' : \frac{\pi}{2} \rightarrow -\frac{\pi}{2}$	

$$= \int_{-\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{\tau}{\cos \theta'}} \cos \theta' d\theta'$$

$$= \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2} e^{-\frac{\tau}{\cos \theta}} \cos \theta d\theta = Ki_2(\tau)$$



$$\text{or } p(\tau) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^\pi e^{-\rho(R)} \frac{\sin \theta d\theta d\alpha}{4\pi} = \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2} e^{-\rho(R)} \sin \theta d\theta$$

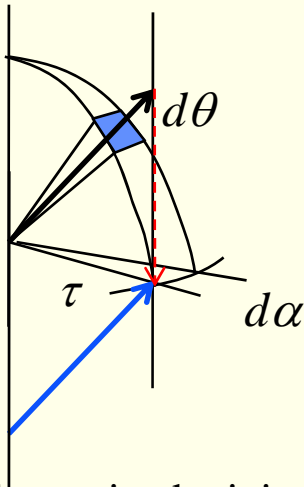
fraction to reach  $\tau$  out of the neutrons emitted to  $d\alpha$



# Optimum Polar Angle Set in 2D Transport Calculation

- If we want to describe the neutron motion with discrete angles in 2D transport calculations, what would be the appropriate polar angles ?

– Converse the uncollided movement probability as closely as possible



$$p(\tau) = Ki_2(\tau) = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-\frac{\tau}{\cos\theta}} \cos\theta d\theta = \sum_{m=1}^M w_m e^{-\frac{\tau}{\cos\theta_m}} \cos\theta_m$$

– Quadrature representation of integral

$$\text{Or } p(\tau) = Ki_2(\tau) = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} e^{-\frac{\tau}{\sin\theta}} \sin\theta d\theta = \int_0^1 e^{-\frac{\tau}{\sqrt{1-\mu^2}}} d\mu = \sum_{m=1}^M w_m e^{-\frac{\tau}{\sqrt{1-\mu_m^2}}}$$

– Constrained minimization problem to find  $w_m$  and  $\mu_m$  ?

$$E_{max} = \text{Max}_{0 < \tau < \tau_{max}} \left| Ki_2(\tau) - \sum_{m=1}^M w_m e^{-\frac{\tau}{\sqrt{1-\mu_m^2}}} \right|$$

can be solved by IMSL routine NCNLS

$$\text{Minimize } E_{max} \quad \text{subject to } \sum_{m=1}^M w_m = 1 \text{ and } 0 < \mu_m < 1$$

# Properties of Bickley Function

- Derivative and Integral of Bickley Function

- Definition of Bickley Function

$$Ki_n(x) = \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{n-1} \theta e^{-\frac{x}{\cos \theta}} d\theta$$

- Derivative of Bickley Function

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{dKi_n(x)}{dx} &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{n-1} \theta \left(-\frac{1}{\cos \theta}\right) e^{-\frac{x}{\cos \theta}} d\theta \\ &= -\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos^{n-2} \theta e^{-\frac{x}{\cos \theta}} d\theta = -Ki_{n-1}(x) \end{aligned}$$

- Integral of Bickley Function

Integral from 0 to  $x$

$$Ki_n(x) - Ki_n(0) = -\int_0^x Ki_{n-1}(y) dy$$

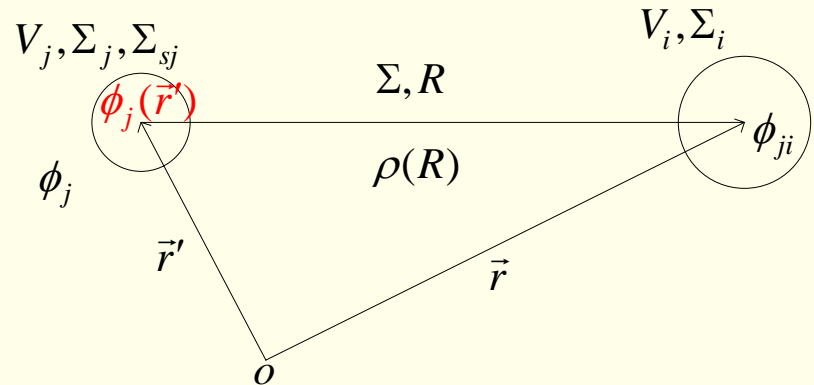
$$\int_0^x Ki_n(y) dy = Ki_{n+1}(0) - Ki_{n+1}(x)$$

Integral from  $x$  to  $\infty$

$$Ki_n(\infty) - Ki_n(x) = -\int_x^\infty Ki_{n-1}(y) dy$$

$$\int_x^\infty Ki_n(y) dy = Ki_{n+1}(x)$$

# Transport Kernel



$$\phi_j \equiv \frac{1}{V_j} \int_{V_j} \phi_j(\vec{r}_j) dV_j \quad \text{Flat Flux Approximation}$$

• What would be the flux( $\phi_{ji}$ ) in  $V_i$  induced by  $\phi_j$  and  $Q'_j$  in  $V_j$ ?

① Source in  $V_j$  (per unit volume)

$$\Sigma_{sj} \phi_j + Q'_j$$

② Flux at  $\vec{r}_i$  due to source in  $dV_j$  at  $\vec{r}_j$

$$\phi(\vec{r}_j \rightarrow \vec{r}_i) dV_j = \frac{e^{-\rho(R)}}{4\pi R^2} (\Sigma_{sj} \phi_j + Q'_j) dV_j \quad (Q'_j \rightarrow Q_j \text{ from now on for simplicity})$$

## Transport Kernel

③ Total flux at  $\vec{r}_i$  due to whole source in  $V_j$

$$\begin{aligned}\phi_{ji}(\vec{r}_i) &= \int_{V_j} \phi(\vec{r}_j \rightarrow \vec{r}_i) dV_j \\ &= \int_{V_j} \frac{e^{-\rho(R)}}{4\pi R^2} (\sum_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j) dV_j\end{aligned}$$

④ Total flux in  $V_i$

$$\int_{V_i} \phi_{ji}(\vec{r}_i) dV_i \equiv \phi_{ji} V_i = \int_{V_i} \int_{V_j} \frac{e^{-\rho(R)}}{4\pi R^2} (\sum_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j) dV_j dV_i$$

$$\therefore \phi_{ji} = \frac{1}{V_i} \int_{V_i} \int_{V_j} \frac{e^{-\rho(R)}}{4\pi R^2} (\sum_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j) dV_j dV_i$$

$$= \frac{1}{V_i} \int_{V_i} \int_{V_j} \frac{e^{-\rho(R)}}{4\pi R^2} dV_j dV_i (\sum_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j) = T_{ji} (\sum_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j)$$

$T_{ji}$  → Source to flux conversion factor

= Transport Kernel

## Reciprocity in Transport Kernel

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$$T_{ji} = \frac{1}{V_i} \int_{V_i} \int_{V_j} n(\vec{r}_j \rightarrow \vec{r}_i) dV_j dV_i$$

$$T_{ij} = \frac{1}{V_j} \int_{V_j} \int_{V_i} n(\vec{r}_i \rightarrow \vec{r}_j) dV_i dV_j$$

$$\int_{V_j} \int_{V_i} n(\vec{r}_i \rightarrow \vec{r}_j) dV_i dV_j = \int_{V_i} \int_{V_j} n(\vec{r}_j \rightarrow \vec{r}_i) dV_j dV_i$$

$$\Rightarrow T_{ji} V_i = T_{ij} V_j : \text{Reciprocity Relation}$$

Total flux due to all  $V_i$

$$\phi_i = \sum_j \phi_{ji} = \sum_j T_{ji} (\sum_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j)$$

# First Collision Probability

- What would be the collision rate of  $\vec{r}_i$  caused by the unit source at  $\vec{r}_j$ ?

$$n(\vec{r}_j \rightarrow \vec{r}_i)\Sigma_i = P(\vec{r}_j \rightarrow \vec{r}_i) \leftarrow R_{ji} \text{—reaction rate at } \vec{r}_i \text{ per unit source at } \vec{r}_j$$

= Probability that a neutron born isotropically at  $\vec{r}_j$  has the first collision at  $\vec{r}_i$

- Total collision rate in  $V_i$  due to source in  $V_j$

$$\begin{aligned} \Sigma_i \phi_{ji} V_i \left( = \int \Sigma_i \phi(\vec{r}_i) dV_i \right) &= \Sigma_i V_i T_{ji} (\Sigma_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j) && \boxed{T_{ji} = \frac{1}{V_i} \int_{V_i} \int_{V_j} n(\vec{r}_j \rightarrow \vec{r}_i) dV_j dV_i} \\ &= \Sigma_i \int_{V_i} \int_{V_j} \frac{e^{-\rho(R)}}{4\pi R^2} (\Sigma_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j) dV_j dV_i \\ &= \int_{V_i} \int_{V_j} \Sigma_i n(\vec{r}_j \rightarrow \vec{r}_i) dV_j dV_i (\Sigma_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j) \\ &= \underbrace{\int_{V_i} \int_{V_j} P(\vec{r}_j \rightarrow \vec{r}_i) dV_j dV_i}_{= \tilde{P}_{ji}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{V_j} (\Sigma_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j) V_j}_{\text{Total source in } V_j} = \tilde{P}_{ji} (\Sigma_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j) V_j \end{aligned}$$

# First Collision Probability

$$\tilde{P}_{ji} = \frac{1}{V_j} \int_{V_i} \int_{V_j} P(\vec{r}_j \rightarrow \vec{r}_i) dV_j dV_i$$



source density if there is one source in  $V_j$

Probability that a neutron born isotropically in  $V_j$  suffers the first collision in  $V_i$

⇒ Collision probability for volume j, i

$$\Sigma_i \phi_i V_i = \tilde{P}_{ji} V_j (\Sigma_{sj} \phi_j + Q_j)$$

$$= \tilde{P}_{ji} V_j \Sigma_j \left( \frac{\Sigma_{sj}}{\Sigma_j} \phi_j + \frac{Q_j}{\Sigma_j} \right)$$

$$= P_{ji} \left( c_j \phi_j + \frac{Q_j}{\Sigma_j} \right)$$

For the advantage in calculation

→ collision rate = flux-to-collision factor × flux

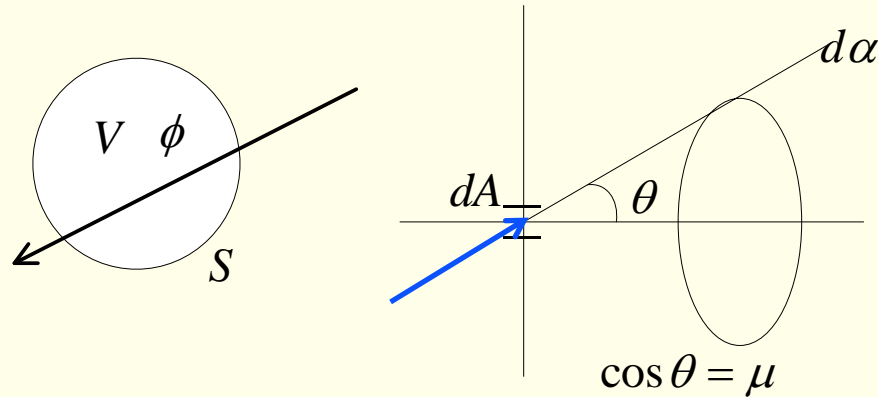
$$P_{ji} = \tilde{P}_{ji} V_j \Sigma_j$$

$$c_j = \frac{\Sigma_{sj}}{\Sigma_j} : \text{ratio of self-scattering to total collision}$$

$$\frac{Q_j}{\Sigma_j} : \text{source driven flux } (\Sigma_j \phi_j = q_j \rightarrow \phi_j = \frac{q_j}{\Sigma_j})$$

$$\Sigma_i \phi_i V_i = \sum_j P_{ji} \left( c_j \phi_j + \frac{Q_j}{\Sigma_j} \right)$$

# Cosine Current



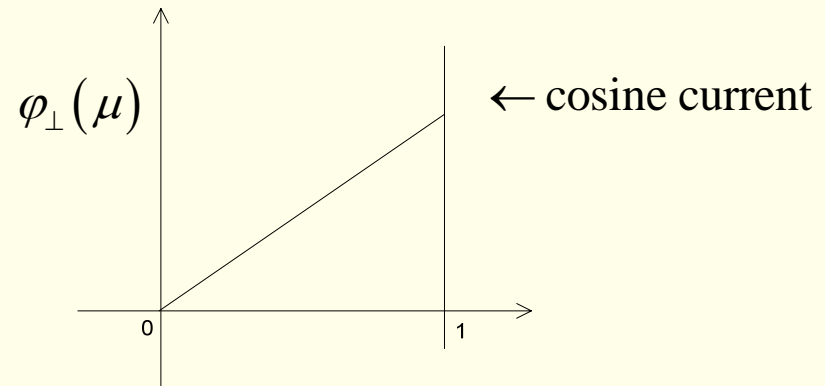
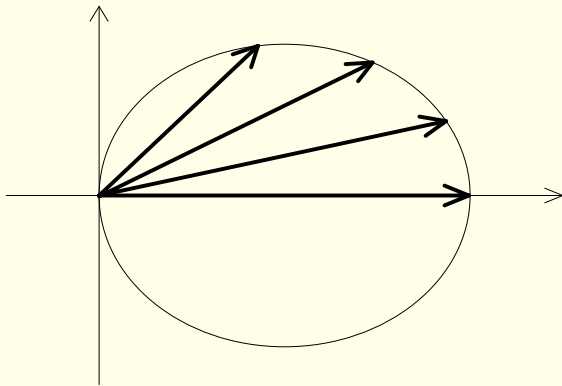
For infinite uniform composition  
 $\Rightarrow$  Uniform and isotropic angular flux

$$\varphi(\mu) = \text{const}$$

$$\varphi(\hat{\Omega}) = \frac{\phi}{4\pi} \quad \varphi(\mu) = \frac{1}{2}\phi$$

Neutrons passing through unit surface area at the boundary wall  $= \varphi_{\perp}(\mu) = \frac{1}{2}\phi\mu$

$$J_{out} = \int_0^1 \varphi(\mu) \cdot \mu \, d\mu = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2}\phi\mu \, d\mu = \frac{1}{4}\phi$$





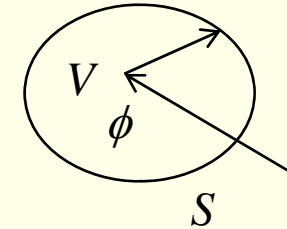
# Escape Probability

- For uniform source  $Q$  in  $V$ , what would be  $\phi$ ?

$$\Sigma_{tg}\phi_g = \Sigma_{gg}\phi_g + Q'_g \rightarrow \Sigma_{rg}\phi_g = Q'_g \quad \Sigma_{rg} = \Sigma_{tg} - \Sigma_{gg} \text{ (Removal Xsec)}$$

$$\rightarrow \phi_g = \frac{Q'_g}{\Sigma_{rg}}$$

$$\text{For 1 source (excluding self scattering source) in } V \rightarrow Q' = \frac{1}{V} \rightarrow \phi = \frac{1}{\Sigma_r V}$$



- $P$  : Probability that a neutron born in  $V$  escape through  $S$ , **escape probability**

$\Gamma$ : **Absorption Blackness** - Probability that a neutron entering uniformly through surface  $S$  with cosine current distribution is absorbed in  $V$

– Suppose 1 source neutron in  $V$ , what is the number of neutrons escaping from  $V$  through  $S$ ?  $P$

It should be balanced by the neutron to be absorbed in  $V$  after entering through  $S$

(= *in - current*  $\times$  *surface area*  $\times \Gamma$  )

$$\frac{1}{4}\phi S \Gamma = 1 \cdot P \rightarrow \Gamma = \frac{4}{\phi S} P = \frac{4V}{S} \Sigma_r P = \bar{\ell} \Sigma_r P \quad \bar{\ell} = \frac{4V}{S} : \text{mean chord length}$$

# First Collision Escape Probability

- $p$  : First collision escape probability - escape  $V$  without having any collision in  $V$
- $\gamma$ : First collision probability in  $V$  for neutron coming through  $S$  with cosine current

- Collision Rate:  $\Sigma_{tg} \phi = (\Sigma_{rg} + \Sigma_{gg}) \phi_g = \Sigma_{gg} \phi_g + Q'_g$

For 1 source neutron in  $V$ ,  $Q'_g = \frac{1}{V}$ ,  $\phi = \frac{1}{\Sigma_r V}$

Collision rate per unit volume:  $\Sigma \phi = \frac{\Sigma}{\Sigma_r V}$

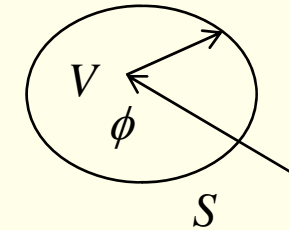
Total collisions in  $V = \Sigma \phi V = \frac{\Sigma}{\Sigma_r}$

- Balance between first collisions for incoming and exiting neutrons

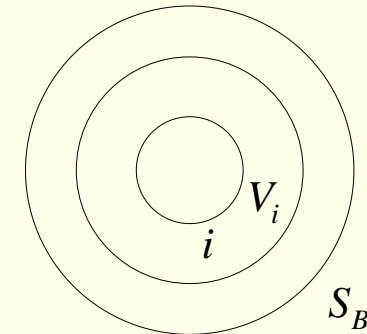
$$\frac{1}{4} \phi S \gamma = \frac{\Sigma}{\Sigma_r} p$$

$$\rightarrow \gamma = \frac{4V}{S} \Sigma p = \bar{\ell} \Sigma p$$

or  $\frac{1}{4} \phi S \gamma = \Sigma \phi V p$



No collision on the path!

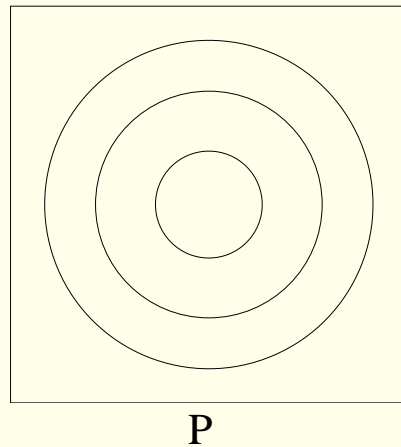


HW3: Prove the following rigorously:

$$\gamma_i = \frac{4V_i}{S_B} \Sigma_i p_i \text{ (Eq. 24d)}$$

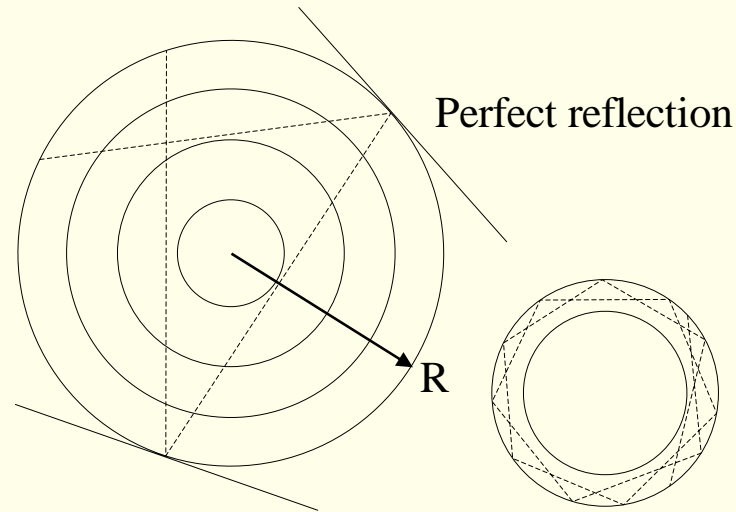
# Pin-cell Problem

- Wigner-Seitz Approximation

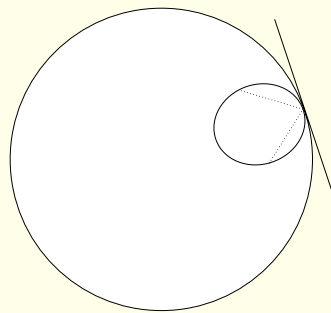


$$\pi R^2 = P^2$$

$$R = \frac{P}{\sqrt{\pi}}$$



–White Boundary Condition



Cosine current:  
incoming current  
with cosine dist.

collect all outgoing neutrons then  
shoot back with cosine current!

Newmarch effect:  
some neutrons born at  
an outer ring can't reach  
the innermost ring (fuel)  
resulting abnormal high  
flux in coolant

# Albedo

- Partial Reflection with Albedo

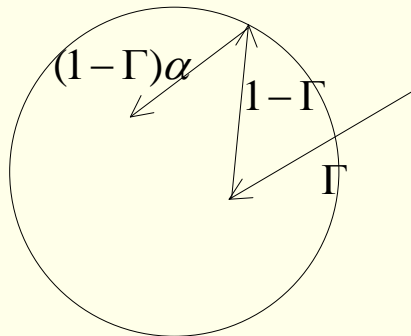
$$\alpha = \frac{J_{net}}{\phi_s}$$

$$\alpha = \frac{J_{in}}{J_{out}} \rightarrow J_{in} = \alpha J_{out}$$

$$\begin{cases} \alpha = 0 : \text{Black} \\ \alpha : \text{Gray} \\ \alpha = 1 : \text{Reflective} \end{cases}$$

- Boundary Multiplication

– for single incoming neutron



$$1 + (1-\Gamma)\alpha + ((1-\Gamma)\alpha)^2 + \dots =$$

$$\frac{1}{1 - (1-\Gamma)\alpha} \equiv n_{\alpha}^{\Gamma}$$

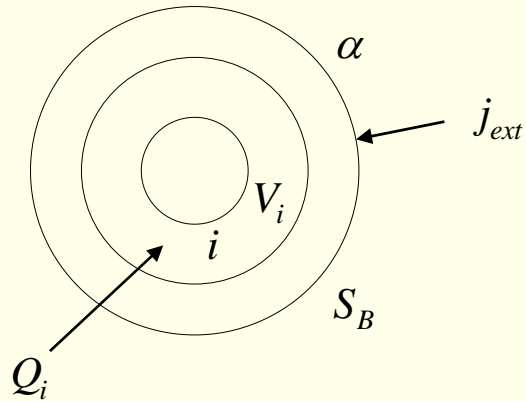
→ Boundary multiplication factor

– Equivalent to  $n_{\alpha}^{\Gamma}$  incoming neutrons

# Circular Pin-cell Problem

- Problem Statement

Find  $\phi_i$ ,  $j^+$  and  $j^-$  for given  $\alpha$ ,  $j_{ext}$  and  $Q_i$



– Total Absorption Blankness for Multiple Interior Regions

$$\Gamma = \sum_{i=1}^n \Gamma_i$$

$X_i^k(\alpha)$  : Flux at i due to **unit source density** at k

$Y_i(\alpha)$  : Flux at i due to unit incoming neutron current through surface  $S_B$

$$\phi_i = Y_i(\alpha) j_{ext} + \sum_{k=1}^n X_i^k(\alpha) Q_k \quad \begin{cases} Y_i(\alpha) = f(Y_i), & Y_i \equiv Y_i(0) \\ X_i^k(\alpha) = f(X_i), & X_i^k \equiv X_i^k(0) \end{cases}$$

# Circular Pin-cell Problem

- Relation between partial flux due to incoming neutrons ( $Y_i$ ) and absorption blackness

Total removal rate in  $V_i$  per unit incoming neutron ( $\Sigma_{ri} Y_i V_i$ )

= Absorption per unit incoming neutron ( $\Gamma_i$ )  $\rightarrow \Gamma_i = \Sigma_{ri} Y_i V_i$

- Flux due to incoming current in case of multiple reflection

$$Y_i(\alpha) = Y_i n_\alpha^\Gamma = \frac{Y_i}{1 - (1 - \Gamma)\alpha}$$

- Flux due to **internal source** in case of multiple reflection

$x_k$ : # of neutrons reaching the surface at first escape for **unit source density** in  $V_k$

$$\textcircled{1} x_k = V_k - \sum_{j=1}^n \Sigma_{rj} X_j^k V_j$$

$$\textcircled{2} x_k = V_k P_k = \frac{S_B}{4 \Sigma_{rk}} \Gamma_k = \frac{S_B}{4} V_k Y_k \quad (\because \Gamma_k = \Sigma_{rk} V_k Y_k)$$

– what is the flux due to the returning neutrons per unit source density in  $k$ ?  $\alpha x_k Y_i(\alpha)$

$$X_i^k(\alpha) = X_i^k + \alpha x_k Y_i(\alpha) = X_i^k + \alpha x_k \frac{Y_i}{1 - (1 - \Gamma)\alpha}$$

# Circular Pin-cell Problem

- Coupled equation for  $\alpha = 0$

$$\Sigma_i V_i \phi_i = \sum_j P_{ji} \left( c_j \phi_j + \frac{Q_j}{\Sigma_j} \right)$$

$\uparrow$   
 Scattering @  $j$

- Flux due to unit source density at  $k \rightarrow Q_j = \delta_{jk}$

$$\Sigma_i V_i X_i^k = \sum_j P_{ji} \left( c_j X_j^k + \frac{\delta_{jk}}{\Sigma_j} \right) = \sum_j P_{ji} c_j X_j^k + \frac{P_{ki}}{\Sigma_k} \quad \forall i$$

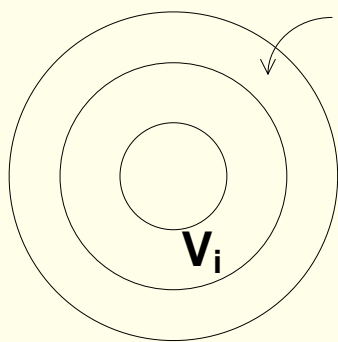
*induced flux from source @  $k$*

- Coupled Linear System for  $X_i^k$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_1 V_1 - P_{11} c_1 & -P_{21} c_2 & \cdots & -P_{n1} c_n \\ -P_{12} c_1 & \Sigma_2 V_2 - P_{22} c_2 & \cdots & -P_{n2} c_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -P_{1n} c_1 & -P_{2n} c_n & \cdots & \Sigma_n V_n - P_{nn} c_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} X_1^k \\ X_2^k \\ \vdots \\ X_n^k \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{P_{k1}}{\Sigma_k} \\ \frac{P_{k2}}{\Sigma_k} \\ \vdots \\ \frac{P_{kn}}{\Sigma_k} \end{bmatrix}$$

# Circular Pin-cell Problem

- Flux due to 1 incoming neutron



$\gamma_i$ : Collision rate due to the first collision of the neutron coming from the surface

$$\Sigma_i V_i Y_i = \sum_{j=1}^n P_{ij} c_j Y_j + \gamma_i \leftarrow \begin{array}{l} \text{first collision from incoming neutrons} \\ \text{uncollided elsewhere} \end{array}$$

$$\begin{bmatrix} \Sigma_1 V_1 - P_{11} c_1 & -P_{21} c_2 & \cdots & -P_{n1} c_n \\ -P_{12} c_1 & \Sigma_2 V_2 - P_{22} c_2 & \cdots & -P_{n2} c_n \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ -P_{1n} c_1 & -P_{2n} c_n & \cdots & \Sigma_n V_n - P_{nn} c_n \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \\ \vdots \\ Y_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} \gamma_1 \\ \gamma_2 \\ \vdots \\ \gamma_n \end{bmatrix}$$

- Relation btwn collision prob. and first collision escape probability

$$p_i = 1 - \sum_{j=1}^n \tilde{P}_{ij} \rightarrow \gamma_i = \frac{4V_i}{S_B} \Sigma_i p_i = \frac{4}{S_B} (\Sigma_i V_i - \sum_{j=1}^n \Sigma_i V_i \tilde{P}_{ij}) = \frac{4}{S_B} (\Sigma_i V_i - \sum_{j=1}^n P_{ij})$$

- Linear System

$$Ax = b \quad b_i = \frac{P_{ki}}{\Sigma_k} \text{ for } X_i^k \text{ and } b_i = \frac{4}{S_B} (\Sigma_i V_i - \sum_{j=1}^n P_{ij}) \text{ for } Y_i$$



# Circular Pin-cell Problem

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- Total number of Neutrons reaching boundary first time

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^n Q_i x_i$$

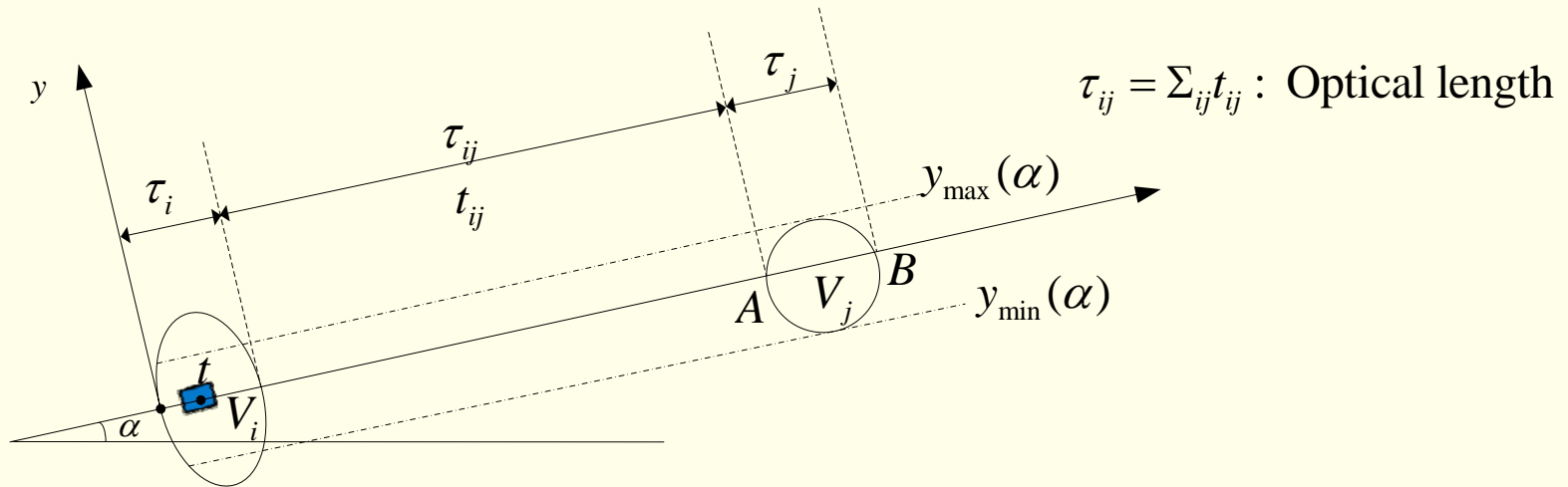
- Total number of neutrons escaping

$$J^+(\alpha) = \frac{x + (1 - \Gamma)J^{ext}}{1 - \alpha(1 - \Gamma)}$$

- Total number of neutrons incoming

$$J^-(\alpha) = \frac{\alpha x + J^{ext}}{1 - \alpha(1 - \Gamma)}$$

# Calculation of Collision Probability



-Probability to move from point  $t$  to the left side of  $V_j$  without collision

$$P_A(t) = Ki_2(\tau_{ij} + \sum_i(t_i - t))$$

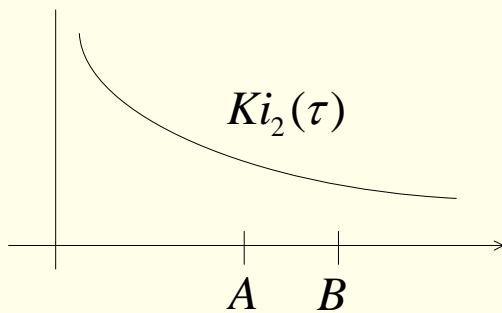
-Probability to move from point  $t$  to the right side of  $V_j$  without collision

$$P_B(t) = Ki_2(\tau_{ij} + \tau_j + \sum_i(t_i - t))$$

-Probability for collision between A and B

$$\tilde{P}_{ij}(t; y, \alpha) = P_A(t) - P_B(t)$$

$$= Ki_2(\underbrace{\tau_{ij} + \sum_i(t_i - t)}_{\tau_{ij} + \tau_i - \sum_i \tau}) - Ki_2(\underbrace{\tau_{ij} + \sum_i(t_i - t) + \tau_j}_{\tau_{ij} + \tau_i + \tau_j - \sum_i \tau})$$



# Transport Kernel

- for unit source density in  $t_i \rightarrow t_i$  neutrons in  $t_i$   $\tau_i = \tau(y), \tau_{ij} = \tau_{ij}(y)$

$$\tilde{P}_{ij}(y, \alpha) = \frac{1}{t_i} \int_0^{t_i} \tilde{P}_{ij}(t; y, \alpha) dt = \frac{1}{t_i} \int_0^{t_i} (Ki_2(\tau_{ij} + \tau_i - \Sigma_i t) - Ki_2(\tau_{ij} + \tau_i + \tau_j - \Sigma_i t)) dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Sigma_i t_i} \int_{\tau_{ij}}^{\tau_{ij} + \tau_i} (Ki_2(\tau) - Ki_2(\tau + \tau_j)) d\tau$$

$$\tau_{ij} + \tau_i - \Sigma_i t = \tau, \quad d\tau = -\Sigma_i dt, \quad dt = \frac{1}{-\Sigma_i} d\tau$$

$$t = 0 \rightarrow t_i$$

$$\tau = \tau_{ij} + \tau_i \rightarrow \tau_{ij}$$

$$\int_a^b K_i(x) dx = K_{i+1}(a) - K_{i+1}(b)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Sigma_i t_i} \left[ (Ki_3(\tau_{ij}) - Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_i)) - (Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_j) - Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_i + \tau_j)) \right]$$

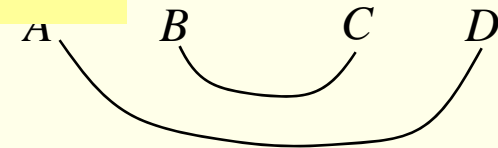
$$= \frac{1}{\Sigma_i t_i} \left[ (Ki_3(\tau_{ij}) + Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_i + \tau_j)) - (Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_i) + Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_j)) \right]$$

- for uniform isotropic source in volume element  $t_i dy$  in  $V_i$

$$\tilde{P}_{ij} = \int_0^{y_{\max}(\alpha)} \tilde{P}_{ij}(y, \alpha) \frac{t_i dy}{V_i}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\Sigma_i V_i} \int_0^{y_{\max}(\alpha)} \left[ (Ki_3(\tau_{ij}) + Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_i + \tau_j)) - (Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_i) + Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_j)) \right] dy$$

$$P_{ij} = \Sigma_i V_i \tilde{P}_{ij} = \int_0^{y_{\max}(\alpha)} \left[ (Ki_3(\tau_{ij}) + Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_i + \tau_j)) - (Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_i) + Ki_3(\tau_{ij} + \tau_j)) \right] dy = P_{ji}$$



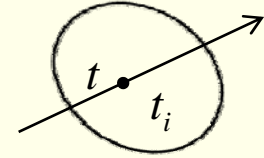
$$l_{AD} + l_{BC} - l_{AC} - l_{BD}$$

# Transport Kernel

- What if  $j = i$  ?

Given  $Ki_2(\tau)$ , what is the probability to have collision within  $\tau = 1 - Ki_2(\tau)$

$$\rightarrow \tilde{P}_{ii}(t; y, \alpha) = 1 - Ki_2(\Sigma_i(t_i - t))$$



$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{P}_{ii}(y, \alpha) &= \frac{1}{t_i} \int_0^{t_i} \tilde{P}_{ii}(t; y, \alpha) dt = \frac{1}{t_i} \int_0^{t_i} [1 - Ki_2(\Sigma_i(t_i - t))] dt \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{\Sigma_i t_i} [Ki_3(0) - Ki_3(t_i)] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{P}_{ii} &= \int_0^{y_{\max}} \tilde{P}_{ii}(y, \alpha) \frac{t_i dy}{V_i} \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{\Sigma_i V_i} \int_0^{y_{\max}} [Ki_3(0) - Ki_3(\tau_i)] dy \end{aligned}$$

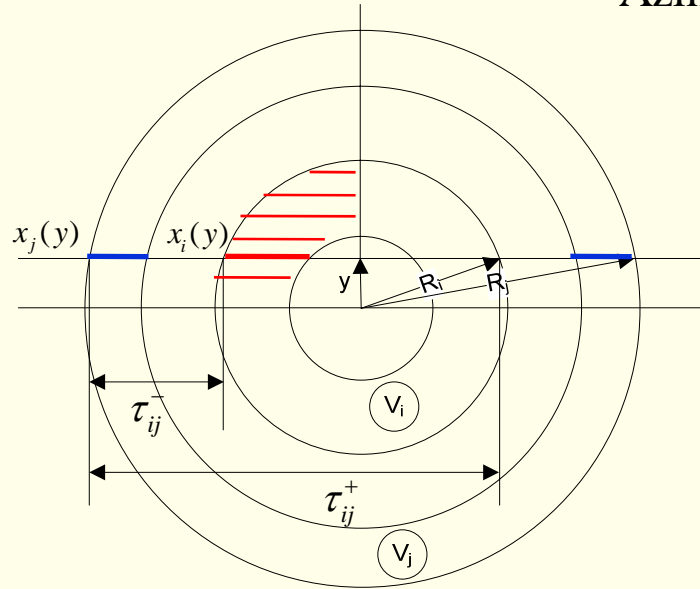
$$P_{ii} = \Sigma_i V_i \tilde{P}_{ii}$$

$$= \Sigma_i V_i - \int_0^{y_{\max}} [Ki_3(0) - Ki_3(\tau_i)] dy$$

# Annular Geometry

- Collision Probability in Annular Geometry

Azimuthal symmetry  $\rightarrow$  no need for consideration of  $\alpha$



$$x_i = (\sqrt{R_i^2 - y^2})_{mfp} \quad P_{ij} = P_{ji}$$

$$\tau_{ij}^- = x_j - x_i$$

$$\tau_{ij}^+ = x_j + x_i$$

– for a line source located left in  $V_i$

left moving

$$P_{ij}^-(y) = Ki_3(\tau_{i-1j}^-) + Ki_3(\tau_{i-1j}^-) - (Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^-) + Ki_3(\tau_{i-1j-1}^-))$$

right moving

$$P_{ij}^+(y) = Ki_3(\tau_{i-1j-1}^+) + Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^+) - (Ki_3(\tau_{i-1j}^+) + Ki_3(\tau_{ij-1}^+))$$

$$P_{ij}(y) = 2(P_{ij}^-(y) + P_{ij}^+(y)) : 2 \text{ for two sources (1st and 2nd Quadrants)}$$

$$= 2[Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^-) + Ki_3(\tau_{i-1j-1}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{i-1j-1}^-)]$$

$$- (Ki_3(\tau_{i-1j}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{i-1j}^-) + Ki_3(\tau_{ij-1}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{ij-1}^-))$$

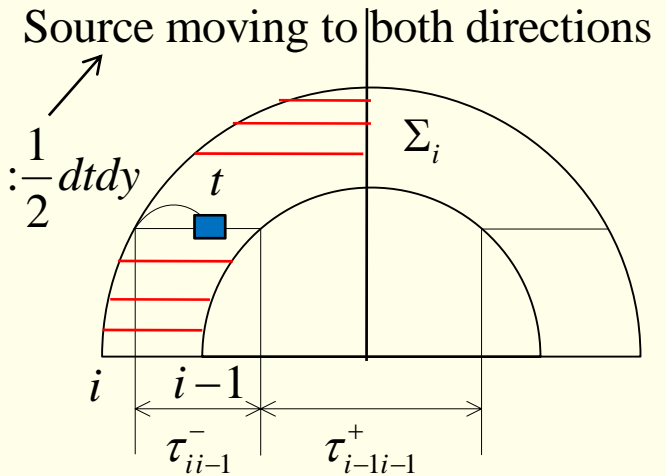
$$\text{Let } P_{ij} = \int_0^{R_i} P_{ij}(y) dy \quad S_{ij} = \int_0^{R_i} (Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^-)) dy \quad \rightarrow P_{ij} = 2(S_{ij} + S_{i-1j-1} - (S_{ij-1} + S_{i-1j}))$$

# Self Collision Probability

for uniform source density  
→ total  $\frac{1}{4}V_i$  source neutrons

• What if  $j = i$  ?  $1 - Ki_2(x)$  : Prob. to have collision in  $x$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{right moving} \quad \text{right moving} \\ & \downarrow \quad \downarrow \\ & (1 - Ki_2(\tau_{i-1}^- - \Sigma_i t)) + (1 - Ki_2(\Sigma_i t)) \\ & + (Ki_2(\tau_{i-1}^- - \Sigma_i t + \tau_{i-1}^+) - Ki_2(\tau_{i-1}^- - \Sigma_i t + \tau_{i-1}^+)) \Rightarrow C \end{aligned}$$



– # of neutrons to have collision in upper half of  $V_i$  for unit source neutron in **quadrant**

$$n_{ii}^Q = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{R_i} \int_0^{t_i} C dt dy = \frac{1}{2} \left[ 2 \cdot \frac{V_i}{4} + \frac{1}{\Sigma_i} \int_0^{R_i} \left\{ (Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^-) - Ki_3(0)) + (Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^-) - Ki_3(0)) + (Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^-)) - (Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^-)) \right\} dy \right]$$

from two 1's above

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{V_i}{2} + \frac{1}{\Sigma_i} \int_0^{R_i} \left\{ (Ki_3(\tau_{ii}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{ii}^-)) + (Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^-)) - (Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^-)) - (Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{i-1}^-)) \right\} dy \right]$$

$$\tilde{P}_{ii} = \frac{n_{ii}^Q}{\frac{V_i}{4}}$$

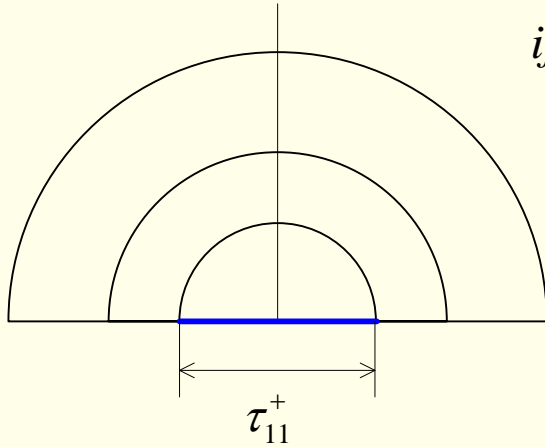
$$P_{ii} = \Sigma_i V_i + 2(S_{ii} + S_{i-1i-1} - (S_{ii-1} + S_{i-1i}))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \tau_i &= \tau_{ii}^- \\ \tau_{ii}^- &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

# Generalized Collision Probability Kernel

–For the innermost region (i=1)

$$S_{ij} = \int_0^{R_i} (Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^+) - Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^-)) dy$$



if  $i = 0 \rightarrow \tau_{0j}^+ = R_j, \tau_{0j}^- = R_j. S_{0j} = 0?$

$$P_{0j} = Ki_3(\tau_{1j}^+) + Ki_3(\tau_{1j-1}^-) - (Ki_3(\tau_{1j-1}^+) + Ki_3(\tau_{1j}^-))$$

$$= S_{1j} - S_{1j-1}$$

$$= S_{1j} + S_{0j-1} - (S_{0j} + S_{1j-1})$$

Set  $S_{0j} = 0$ , then apply the general formula!

- Generalized Collision Probability Kernel

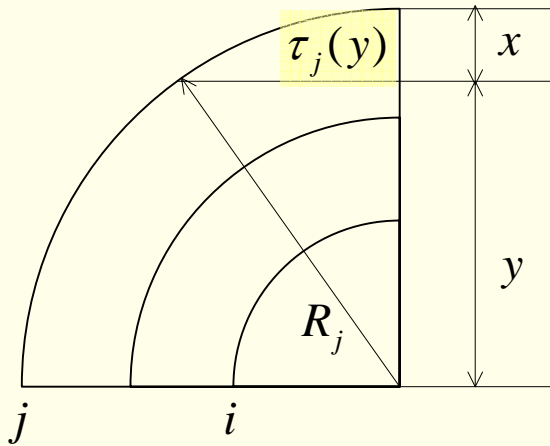
$$P_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \Sigma_i V_i + 2(S_{ii} + S_{i-1i-1} - (S_{ii-1} + S_{i-1i}))$$

## Calculation of $S_{ij}$

$$S_{ij}^k = \int_{R_{k-1}}^{R_k} \left( Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^+(y)) - Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^-(y)) \right) dy \quad \rightarrow \quad S_{ij} = \sum_{k=1}^i S_{ij}^k$$

$$p = 2 \frac{y - R_{k-1}}{\underbrace{R_k - R_{k-1}}_{\Delta_k}} - 1 \quad dp = \frac{2}{\Delta_k} dy \quad \longrightarrow \quad S_{ij}^k = \frac{\Delta_k}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \tilde{f}(p) dp = \frac{\Delta_k}{2} \omega_i f(x_i)$$

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = \sum \omega_i f_i \quad : \text{ Gauss Quadrature}$$



$$\tau_j = \sqrt{R_j^2 - y^2} = \sqrt{R_j^2 - (R_j - x)^2} = \sqrt{2R_j x - x^2} \approx \sqrt{2R_j} \sqrt{x} = \sqrt{2R_j} \tilde{p} = \sqrt{2R_j \Delta R_j} p$$

$$\boxed{\sqrt{x} = \tilde{p} \rightarrow \tilde{p}^2 = x}$$

to normalize

$$\frac{x}{R_j - R_{j-1}} = \frac{\tilde{p}^2}{\Delta R_j} = p^2 \quad \rightarrow \quad \frac{R_j - y}{\Delta R_j} = p^2$$

$$\frac{-dy}{\Delta R_j} = 2p dp$$

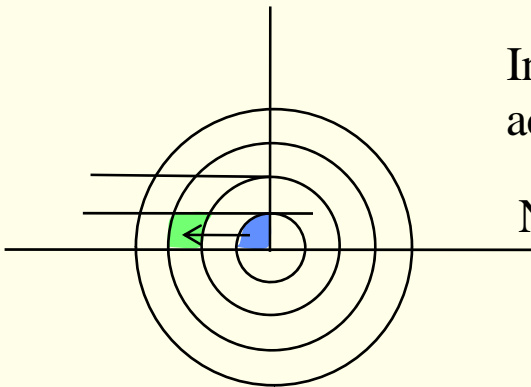
$$\rightarrow S_{ij}^k = \int_0^1 \left( Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^+(p)) - Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^-(p)) \right) \frac{2}{\Delta R_j} p dp$$



## Gauss-Jacobi Quadrature

$$\int_0^1 xf(x)dx = \sum \omega_i f_i \quad : \text{ Gauss-Jacobi Quadrature}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow S_{ij}^k &= \frac{2}{\Delta R_j} \int_0^1 \left( Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^+(p)) - Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^-(p)) \right) pdp \\ &= \frac{2}{\Delta R_j} \sum_k w_k \left( Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^+(p_k)) - Ki_3(\tau_{ij}^-(p_k)) \right) \end{aligned}$$



Instead of calculating  $S_{ij}$  for whole annular region, accumulate contributions from each sector

Nested loops required:

Loop over  $R_k$  (y direction)

Loop over  $i$  (source)

Loop over  $j$  ( $j \geq i$ )

# Actual Implementation

- Actual implementation

① Calculate  $S_{ij}$

② Calculate  $P_{ij}$

$$P_{ij} = \delta_{ij} \Sigma_i V_i + 2(S_{ii} + S_{i-1i-1} - (S_{ii-1} + S_{i-1i}))$$

③ Construct the linear system

$$\Sigma_i V_i \phi_i = \sum_j P_{ji} (c_j \phi_j + \frac{Q_j}{\Sigma_j})$$

$$\Sigma_i V_i X_i^k = \sum_j P_{ji} (c_j X_j^k + \frac{Q_j}{\Sigma_j}) = \sum_j P_{ji} c_j X_j^k + \frac{P_{ki}}{\Sigma_k}$$

④ Solve the linear system and find flux and current

