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This document is based on the ANSI/ANS 19.10-2009 but extends to cover the evaluation of irradiation damage due to neutron fluence.

## Introduction

This document is intended for use by

- a) those involved in the determination of exposure parameters for the prediction of irradiation damage to the vessel and to the internals of a nuclear reactor, where the exposure parameters can be neutron fluence and/or displacements per atom (dpa),
- b) those involved in the determination of material properties of irradiated reactor vessel and reactor internals,
- c) regulatory agencies in licensing actions such as the writing of Regulatory Guides, analysis of reports concerning the integrity and material properties of irradiated pressure vessels and reactor internals.



# Nuclear energy — Determination of neutron fluence and displacement per atom (dpa) in reactor vessel and internals

## 1 Scope

This document provides a procedure for the evaluation of irradiation data in the region between the reactor core and the inside surface of the containment vessel, through the pressure vessel and the reactor cavity, between the ends of active fuel assemblies, given the neutron source in the core.

NOTE These irradiation data could be neutron fluence or displacements per atom (dpa), and Helium production.

The evaluation employs both neutron flux computations and measurement data from in-vessel and cavity dosimetry, as appropriate. This document applies to pressurized water reactors (PWRs), boiling water reactors (BWRs), and pressurized heavy water reactors (PHWRs).

This document also provides a procedure for evaluating neutron damage properties at the reactor pressure vessel and internal components of PWRs, BWRs, and PHWRs. Damage properties are focused on atomic displacement damage caused by direct displacements of atoms due to collisions with neutrons and indirect damage caused by gas production, both of which are strongly dependent on the neutron energy spectrum. Therefore, for a given neutron fluence and neutron energy spectrum, calculations of the total accumulated number of atomic displacements are important data to be used for reactor life management.

## 2 Normative references

The following documents are referred to in the text in such a way that some or all of their content constitutes requirements of this document. For dated references, only the edition cited applies. For undated references, the latest edition of the referenced document (including any amendments) applies.

ANSI/ANS 19.10, *Methods for determining neutron fluence in BWR and PWR pressure vessel and reactor internals*

ASTM E170-16a, *Standard Terminology Relating to Radiation Measurements and Dosimetry*

## 3 Terms and definitions

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### 3.1

#### accuracy of a measured/calculated value

difference between the “real” and the measured/calculated value, typically due to systematic errors in the measurement/calculation procedure