

# JANIS 3.3 USER'S GUIDE

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# ***I. What is JANIS?***

## **A. Introduction**

Nuclear data are fundamental to the development and application of nuclear science and technology. The knowledge of these data is required in all fields where radioactive materials and nuclear fuels are present. This represents a wide range of applications. Nuclear data are thus needed for a variety of users including reactor and fuel cycle physicists, engineers, biologists and physicians.

Nuclear data involve radioactive decay properties, fission yields and interaction data over a wide energy range and for different projectiles (cross-sections, resonance parameters, energy and angular distributions...). These data are structured into standardised formats to allow their exchange among users and their treatment with specialized computer codes. Specific formats exist for experimental data (EXFOR), evaluated data (ENDF, ENSDF) or processed data (PENDF, GENDF) and relational databases are used to store and disseminate the data. However, the quantity of data required is so large that it is not always easy for an end-user to access the information needed for his specific application.

Java-based Nuclear Information Software (JANIS) is a display program designed to facilitate the visualization and manipulation of nuclear data. Its objective is to allow its user to access numerical values and graphical representations without prior knowledge of the storage format. It offers maximum flexibility for the comparison of different nuclear data sets.

## **B. What's new in version 3.3**

This release introduces the following main changes:

- Display of neutron and proton drip lines on the "Chart of Nuclides"
- Search on nuclide now accepts ranges for Z, A
- File Open dialog automatically detects file format when set to AUTO
- Plots can be exported in PDF format
- Display of radioactive nuclide production data from ENDF File 8

Corrected bugs and improved functionalities:

- Goto dialog has been simplified
- Display of magic lines
- Computation dialog is more robust
- Anti-aliasing preference for text and curves displayed in Renderer window(s)
- Memory usage was improved and is now displayed at the right of the status bar
- New plot marks

## **C. History**

JANIS is the successor to JEF-PC, a software developed in the eighties and nineties by the OECD Nuclear Energy Agency, the CSNSM-Orsay and the University of Birmingham. Basically, all the features available under JEF-PC were reproduced (cross-section display in pointwise and groupwise format, decay data and fission yield display) and several others were added (resonance parameters, energy and angle distributions, cross-section uncertainties...). Additionally, all the former limitations were removed (number of data sets displayed, etc.) and the new software is more flexible and ergonomic. JANIS users can view their own evaluated or processed data starting from any ENDF formatted file or from GENDF libraries. As JANIS is written in the Java language, it runs on almost all computer operating systems (UNIX, Windows and Macintosh).

The first version of JANIS (1.0), released in October 2001, was used by more than 700 users around the world.

Versions 2.0 and 2.1 have introduced:

- **Management of the data through a relational database.** One of the limitations of JANIS 1.0 was its structure of data. The basic data (contained in the original ENDF and EXFOR files) had to be converted into an internal structure (serialized Java objects). This option allowed a very quick access to the data. However, the data could not be easily updated and the structure was highly dependent on the classes used to generate the data. In particular, the structure of data became obsolete when these classes were updated. To solve this problem, a new strategy was implemented in versions JANIS-2.0 and above. The software accesses directly the text files (eventually zipped in order to reduce the required storage size) and the tables of contents of these files (the ENDF dictionary for instance) are contained in a relational database. This enables both quick access to the data and a better separation between the methods (classes) and the data itself.
- **Access to the CINDA database and link between CINDA and EXFOR.** Basically, the features of CD-CINDA were implemented in JANIS and a link to the EXFOR works was added.
- **Access to NUBASE data.**
- **Generalization of the computational features** available in conjunction with interaction data; these features (such as linear combinations, ratios of data) were restricted to cross-section data. It is now possible to perform more advanced combinations such as a product of cross sections with energy and angular distribution.
- **Access to centralized data** (available on the NEA server) through the widely used HTTP protocol. This allows most users to take advantage of NEA remote databases.

Version 3.0 has introduced:

- **Access to original EXFOR data:** previous versions of JANIS were using a simplified EXFOR format, named EXFOR Computational Format which was the result of a conversion of EXFOR content. This conversion was losing a great part of available experimental data, mainly because the Computational Format was limited to cross-sections, angular/energy distributions. By reading the original EXFOR format directly, experimental data available in EXFOR can now be displayed by JANIS (fission yields for example).
- **Vectorial and customizable plots:** the plotting component has been completely rewritten to be vectorial instead of rasterized. This means that previous plots were made by drawing pixels directly, whereas in version 3.0 plots are drawn with lines and shapes. This allows setting line style and width for continuous plots but also to increase quality of exported images and print. Rasterized plots (in pixels) were fine and fast for screen display but pixels were visible on prints because resolution of printers is much higher than resolution of screens. Vectorial plots also allow saving them in truly vectorial formats like Postscript (PS/EPS) and Windows Metafiles (WMF/EMF). These exported plots can be further scaled without losing quality, the Windows Metafile formats being especially interesting for inclusion in Microsoft Word documents.
- **Tabular view of almost all data:** it is now possible to obtain a tabular display of data like angular distributions or energy/angle distributions. This functionality has been requested for a long time. As JANIS tables are exportable in CSV text file some users take profit of JANIS nuclear formats parsing implementation to use the data in their own applications.

Version 3.1 has introduced:

- Display of **photon production** (MF12-15)

- Continuous Beta spectra (MF8/MT457); implementation of **BTSPEC** (A. Tobias et al.)
- **Isobaric fission yields**, i.e. distribution in terms of Z or N for a given A. Parent fission yields have been visually reorganized.
- **New tool to compare EXFOR data** with evaluated libraries or evaluated libraries between them. This tool replaces the old "Compare explorer"

Version 3.2 has introduced:

- Display of evaluated covariance data (MF33)
- Support for additional NJOY covariances formats: COVFILS (ERRORR) and BOXER (COVR)
- New highly compressed format. This new format is used to store data files on the DVD.

All evaluated libraries in the NEA remote database have been processed in a consistent way using NJOY. The following derived data are now available:

- Gas production cross sections (MF3/MT203-207)
- KERMA cross sections (MF3/MT301,443)
- Damage cross sections (MF3/MT444)
- Thermal scattering cross sections (MF3/MT221-250)

New libraries in NEA remote database:

- CENDL-3.1 (2009)
- JENDL-4.0 (2010)
- RUSFOND (2010)
- TENDL-2009 TALYS evaluated nuclear data library

Corrected bugs and improved functionalities:

- Selection tree ergonomics: multiple selection, '\*' and '/' keys to expand/collapse nodes and subnodes.
- Decreased memory usage when displaying EXFOR subentries with thousands of points.
- Comparison of EXFOR (x,3n) reaction was done with ENDF MT16 (x,2n) instead of MT17



## II. First steps

### A. Content of JANIS 3.2 DVD

The software and a selection of recent nuclear data were packaged to produce the new release JANIS-3.2. The selection of data includes:

- evaluated nuclear data libraries processed at 300 K (see detail below);
- experimental data (EXFOR);
- bibliographical data (CINDA);
- nuclear structure data NUBASE-97 and NUBASE-2003.

General purpose libraries (incident neutron)

Library	Version	Year	Description
JEF(F)	3.1.1	2009	381 materials with updated evaluations for Np-237, Pu-239, O-16, Zr-91, Zr-96, and fission products. More information is available in the JEFF Report 22.
	3.1	2005	381 materials (7 natural elements: C, V, Zn, Ga, Os, Pt, Ti). More information is available in JEFF Report 21.
	2.2	1993	313 materials (14 natural elements: C, Mg, Si, Cl, K, Ca, Ti, V, Cu, Ga, Zr, Mo, Cd, Pb). More information is available in the JEFF Report 17.
ENDF/B	VII.0	2006	393 materials (3 natural elements: C, V, Zn)
	VI.8	2001	329 materials (16 natural elements: C, Mg, Si, S, Cl, K, Ca, Ti, V, Ga, Zr, Mo, Cd, In, Hf, W)
JENDL	3.3	2002	337 materials (2 natural elements: C, V)

	4.0	2010	406 materials (1 natural element: C)
CENDL	3.1	2009	240 materials (14 natural elements: S, Cl, K, Ca, V, Cu, Zn, Ge, Ag, Cd, Sn, W, Hg, Tl)
BROND	2.2	1993	121 materials (17 natural elements: He, C, Si, Cl, Cr, Fe, Ni, Cu, Zn, Zr, Sn, Sm, Gd, Re, Os, Ir, Pb)
RUSFOND	2010	2010	686 materials (6 natural elements: C, V, Zn, Os, Pt, Tl)

#### Thermal scattering libraries (incident neutron)

Library	Version	Year	Description
JEF(F)	3.1	2005	9 bound-nuclei in compounds of hydrogen, beryllium, carbon, manganese. More information is available in JEFF Report 21.
	3.0	2002	5 bound-nuclei in compounds of hydrogen, beryllium, carbon
ENDF/B	VII.0	2006	20 bound-nuclei in compounds of hydrogen, beryllium, carbon, oxygen, aluminium, iron
	VI.8	2001	15 bound-nuclei in compounds of hydrogen, beryllium, carbon

#### Fission yields

Projectile	Library	Version	Year	Description
Neutron	JEF(F)	3.1.1	2009	19 actinides from Th (Z=90) to Cm (Z=96) with minor modifications compared to JEFF-3.1, more

				information is available in the JEFF Report 20.
		3.1	2005	19 actinides from Th (Z=90) to Cm (Z=96). More information is available in the JEFF Report 20.
		2.2	1993	19 actinides from Th (Z=90) to Cm (Z=96)
	ENDF/B	VII.0	2006	31 actinides from Th (Z=90) to Fm (Z=100)
		VI.8	2001	31 actinides from Th (Z=90) to Fm (Z=100)
	JENDL	3.3	2002	12 actinides from Th (Z=90) to Am (Z=95)
Spontaneous	JEF(F)	3.1.1	2009	This sub-library is part of the latest JEFF-3.1.1 distribution. However, the spontaneous fission yields data are the same in both JEFF-3.1/FY and JEFF-3.1.1/FY sublibraries.
		3.1	2005	3 actinides: Cm-242, Cm-244, Cf-252. More information is available in the JEFF Report 20.
		2.2	1993	2 actinides: Cm-242, Cf-252
	ENDF/B	VII.0	2006	9 actinides: U-238, Cm-244, Cm-246, Cm-248, Cf-250, Cf-252, Es-253, Fm-254, Fm-256
		VI.8	2001	9 actinides: U-238, Cm-244, Cm-246, Cm-248, Cf-250, Cf-252,

				Es-253, Fm-254, Fm-256
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#### Activation libraries

Projectile	Library	Version	Year	Description
Neutron	JEFF	3.1	2005	Data up to 20 MeV for 774 materials (69 metastable states) from EAF-2003. More information is available in JEFF Report 21.
	EAF	2007	2007	Data up to 60 MeV for 816 materials (77 metastable states)
Proton	PADF	2007	2007	Data up to 150 MeV for 2355 materials (527 metastable states)

#### Other special purpose libraries

Projectile	Library	Version	Year	Description
Neutron	IRDF	2002	2005	50 materials for dosimetry application
		2002-MG	2005	IRDF-2002 in groupwise ENDF-6 format
	FENDL	E-2.1	2004	71 materials for fusion application
		E-2.1-MG	2004	FENDL/E-2.1 in groupwise GENDF format
	JENDL	AC-2008	2008	Data up to 20 MeV for 79 actinides from Ac (Z=89) to Fm (Z=100)
		HE-2007	2007	Data up to 3 GeV for 106 nuclei
	TENDL	2009	2009	TALYS-based data up to 60 MeV

				(200 MeV when $T_{1/2} > 1000$ s) for 2385 nuclei from Li (Z=3) to Ds (Z=110)
Photon	ENDF/B	VII.0	2006	Data up to 150 MeV for 163 nuclei from H (Z=1) to Am (Z=95)
	JENDL	PD-2004	2004	Data up to 140 MeV for 68 nuclei from H (Z=1) to Np (Z=93)
	TENDL	2009	2009	TALYS-based data up to 60 MeV or 200 MeV for 1165 nuclei from Li (Z=3) to Ds (Z=110)
Proton	JEFF	3.1	2005	Data up to 200 MeV for 26 nuclei. More information is available in JEFF Report 21.
	ENDF/B	VII.0	2006	Data up to 150 MeV for 48 nuclei
		VI.8	2001	Data up to 150 MeV for 35 nuclei
	JENDL	HE-2007	2007	Data up to 3 GeV for 106 nuclei
	TENDL	2009	2009	TALYS-based data up to 60 MeV or 200 MeV for 1164 nuclei from Li (Z=3) to Hs (Z=108)
Deuteron (H-2)	ENDF/B	VII.0	2006	3 nuclei (He-3, Li-6 added)
		VI.8	2001	1 nucleus: H-3
	TENDL	2009	2009	TALYS-based data up to 60 MeV or 200 MeV for 1122 nuclei from Li (Z=3) to Hs (Z=108)
Triton (H-3)	ENDF/B	VII.0	2006	3 nuclei (He-3, Li-6 added)

		VI.8	2001	1 nucleus: H-3
	TENDL	2009	2009	TALYS-based data up to 60 MeV or 200 MeV for 1122 nuclei from Li (Z=3) to Hs (Z=108)
Helion (He-3)	ENDF/B	VII.0	2006	2 nuclei: He-3, Li-6
	TENDL	2009	2009	TALYS-based data up to 60 MeV or 200 MeV for 1127 nuclei from Li (Z=3) to Hs (Z=108)
Alpha (He-4)	JENDL	AN-2005	2005	17 isotopes of Li, Be, B, C, N, O, Na, Al, Si
	TENDL	2009	2009	TALYS-based data up to 60 MeV or 200 MeV for 1163 nuclei from Li (Z=3) to Hs (Z=108)

#### Radioactive decay

Library	Version	Year	Description
JEF(F)	3.1.1	2007	3852 nuclei (768 metastable states) with revised data for 145 nuclei. More information is available in the JEFF Report 20.
	3.1	2005	3852 nuclei (768 metastable states). More information is available in the JEFF Report 20.
	2.2	1993	2345 nuclei (505 metastable states)
ENDF/B	VII.0	2006	3838 nuclei (734 metastable states)
	VI.8	2001	979 nuclei (174 metastable states)
JENDL	FPDD-2000	2000	1087 fission products (197 metastable states)

Experimental data

Library	Version	Year	Description
EXFOR	2010-06-10	2010	Experimental nuclear reaction database compiled by the international network of Nuclear Reaction Data Centres (NRDC)

The DVD has the following structure:

- Directory "data": contains the basic files, e.g. evaluated files, EXFOR works, etc.
- Directory "database" contains the relational databases: one for EXFOR, one for CINDA and a third for all other data libraries.
- Directory "groups" contains commonly used groups definitions that can be used for the weighting procedure.
- Directory "software" contains the JANIS and database executable jar files.
- Directory "java" contains the SUN Java runtime environment for Windows and Linux.
- Directory "mac\_os\_x" contains a bundle package for Mac OS X users.
- Files "janis.bat" for Microsoft Windows platform and "janis.sh" for UNIX and Linux platforms can be used to launch JANIS.
- File "readme.txt" contains the latest news.
- Directory "documentation" contains this users' manual.

## B. Requirements and compatibility

### 1. Java

A Java Runtime Environment, **JRE, version 1.4 or higher** is required. Versions 1.5 or 1.6 are strongly recommended to benefit from performance and usability improvements introduced by recent JRE versions. At time of writing we use mainly 1.5 and 1.6, but 1.4 is still supported.

For Windows, Linux or Solaris a JRE can be downloaded freely from Sun website: [www.java.com](http://www.java.com).

For Mac OS X, see [www.apple.com/macosx/features/java/](http://www.apple.com/macosx/features/java/).

For other UNIX brands, refer to their respective website.

JANIS is developed under Windows so is heavily tested for this platform. But we do frequent tests on Linux, and the server side part (the NEA remote database) is also run on this platform. Mac OS X support is fairly recent so may suffer from little integration problems due to the lack of tests. If you encounter such problems you can report them by mail ([janisinfo@oecd-nea.org](mailto:janisinfo@oecd-nea.org)).

### 2. Hardware configuration

The minimum required hardware configuration is:

- 1 GHz processor.
- 200 Mbytes of RAM for JANIS (N.B. performances depend strongly on the available RAM, and you should keep in mind the RAM used by your OS and other applications you use, hence 512 Mbytes of RAM or more is preferable).
- Monitor with a resolution of 1024 x 768, 256 colours.
- DVD reader.
- Optionally 2 GB to copy the full DVD content on hard-drive (for better performances), 800 MB to install the software plus the databases and accessing data files from the DVD, or only 10 MB to copy the software and access the databases and data on the DVD.
- Optionally a printer for printing plots and tabular data.

## **C. Installation**

To obtain optimal performances from JANIS you should install the software and the databases on your local hard drive. Simply copy the whole DVD content to your local hard drive in a folder of your convenience (C:\Janis-3.2 for example).

You can also run JANIS directly from your DVD drive and access packaged databases from the DVD, but performances will not be optimal.

## **D. Starting JANIS**

### **1. Windows (all versions)**

Double click on `janis.bat` file.

### **2. Linux/Unix**

Type `janis.sh` in a command prompt (Terminal) at the root of the DVD after having mounted the DVD drive if necessary.

### **3. Mac OS X**

Double click on JANIS bundle package in `mac_os_x` folder.



### III. General overview

#### A. The “Browser” window

When the software is started the main window named “Browser” displays the components shown in Figure 1.

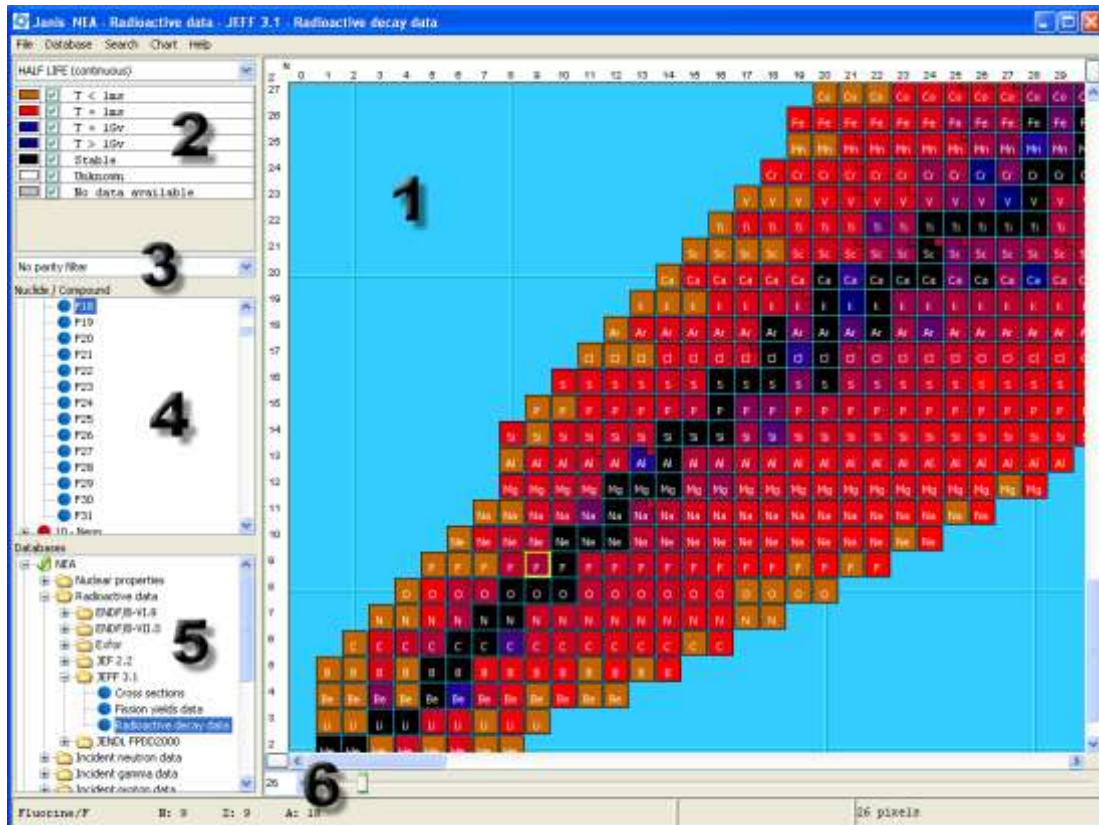


Figure 1: Browser

This window contains the following components:

1. **Chart of Nuclides:** provides access to nuclides, the displayed chart depends on your selection in the “Database Tree” (component #5)
2. **Legend for the Chart of Nuclides:** depends on the category of chart displayed, it enables to customize the “Chart of Nuclides”. The drop-down contains the available nuclear properties that can be used to filter nuclides. Furthermore, you can change the colour associated with each property by clicking on the colour button.
3. **Parity filter:** this drop-down allows to display all isotopes on Chart or the ones with odd/even Z/N values
4. **Nuclide Explorer:** elements available in database for the selected category of data are listed by ascending Z number. Expand one element to see the list of isotopes.
5. **Database Tree:** all loaded databases are displayed here. This tree allows selection of one database, evaluation or library, and category of data. The “Chart of Nuclides” is updated to reflect the node selected in this component
6. **Zoom controls:** the drop down list and the slider allows zooming the Chart of Nuclides.

Note that the memory usage is displayed at the bottom of the browser window on the right of the status bar.

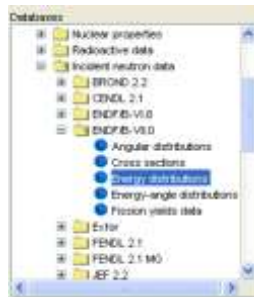
The menu is made of the following items:

- File;
- Database;
- Search;
- Chart;
- Help.

The status bar displays:





- the name of the currently selected nuclide (along with symbol, Z, N and A number) on the left
- the name of the nuclide under the mouse cursor in the middle
- the Chart of Nuclides zoom level on the right

## 1. Database Tree



**Figure 2: Database Tree**

This tree lists all loaded databases with the following icons:

-  : the database is connected; you can expand this node to see the database content
-  : the database is disconnected; clicking the expand icon (a plus sign on Windows) will launch the connection
-  : database connection is in progress, wait for the final state
-  : the last database connection attempt has failed

By expanding nodes you can select a Datatype, a Dataset and a Category.

Selecting a Category will display its Chart of Nuclides and the list of elements, isotopes or compounds in the Nuclide Explorer component.

Right-clicking on a Database node will show this popup menu:



**Figure 3: Database Tree popup menu**

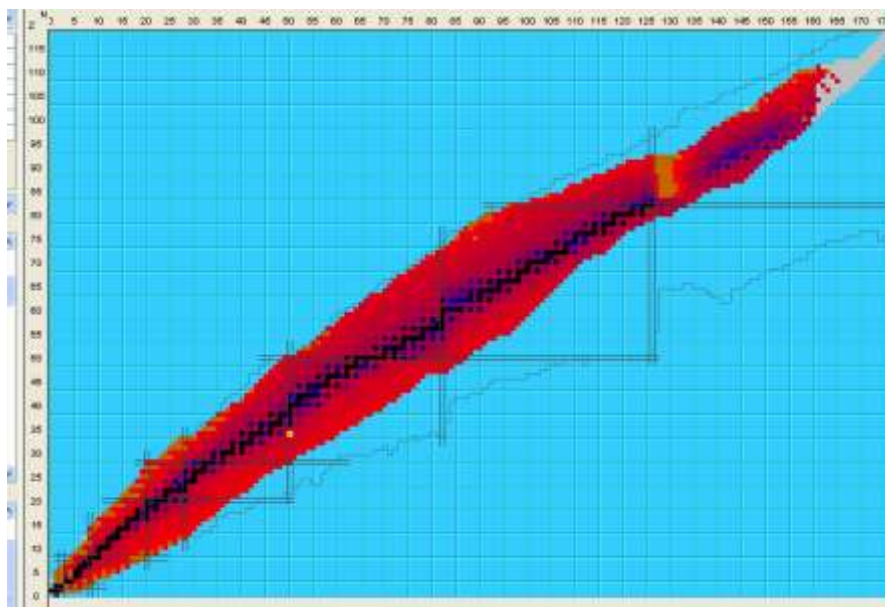
This popup up menu gives you access to:

- Load: display the Database Load dialog (which can also be found in menu File), see chapter VIII.A
- Connect: try to connect to the selected database (an alternative way of doing this is by expanding a database node which is in disconnected state (🔌) or in error state (❌))
- Disconnect: disconnect a connected database
- Remove: remove this database from the tree.

If you have inadvertently removed a database provided in initial settings of JANIS refer to chapter IX.D.1 to load the missing database.

## 2. Chart of Nuclides

The Chart of Nuclides shows the available nuclei in terms of their atomic number, Z, and neutron number, N. Each box represents a nuclide.



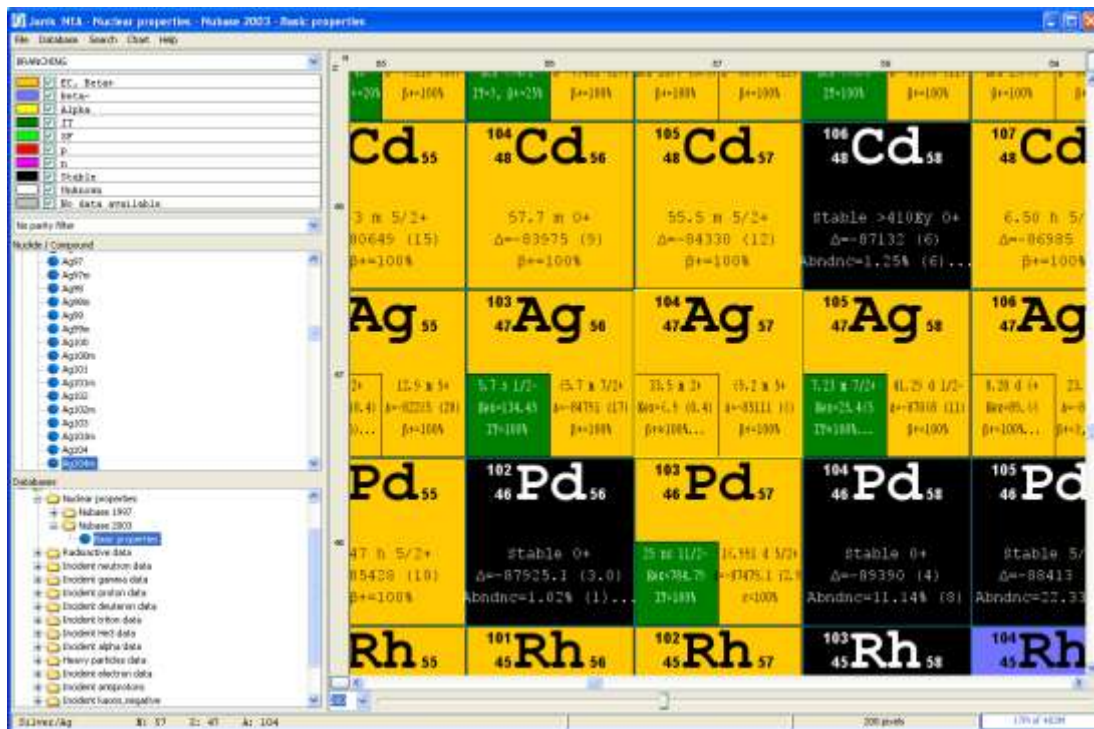
**Figure 4: Chart of Nuclides**

### a) Navigation

The chart of Nuclides can be navigated using the following means:

- Keyboard arrows, first click on the Chart to give it the keyboard focus
- Horizontal and vertical scrollbars
- Buttons in the upper-right and lower-left corners to move the chart diagonally
- Mouse dragging: select any position on the chart and move the mouse while holding down the left button.
- The Goto dialog: see chapter III.A.2.c)

A zoom of the chart centred on  $^{104}\text{Ag}$  is shown in Figure 5. The zoom level can be increased further with the Zoom Drop-down or with the Zoom Slider.



**Figure 5: Browser with Chart of Nuclides centred on  $^{104}\text{Ag}$**

The "Chart" menu allows customizing the Chart:

- **Grid:** to toggle the visibility of the grid ;
- **Magic lines:** to toggle the "magic lines". These are defined for stable nuclei with even N and Z values of 2, 8, 20, 28, 50, 82 and 126 ;
- **Drip lines:** to toggle neutron and proton "drip lines". These lines define the boundaries for nucleus stability with respect to the neutron and proton emission [Eur. Phys. J. A **33**, 237-241 (2007)].
- **Headers:** to toggle the visibility of the Z and N legends.

### b) Nuclides properties displayed

For highest zoom levels, depending on the category of data selected, some nuclear properties are displayed for each nuclide, see Table 1. The levels are:

- 1-10: only the background colour is drawn
- 11-25: adds the first metastable state square
- 26-40: adds the symbol
- 40-100: adds the atomic number
- Greater than 100: adds the charge and the nuclear properties

**Table 1: Nuclear properties displayed by category**

Category	Nuclear properties displayed
Cross Sections	Cross section measured at 2200m/s Resonances integral
Radioactive decay data	Half-life, spin/parity
Fission yields data	Decay modes Branching ratio
NUBASE Basic properties	Half-life, spin/parity

	Mass excess (excitation energy for metastables) Decay modes Branching ratio
EXFOR	Number of experimental reactions (approximate value)

If several isotopic states are available for a given isotope, then ground state properties are displayed on the right and first metastable state properties are displayed on the left. Note that if more than one metastable state is available then the Chart of Nuclides will only display the first one but the Nuclide Explorer will list all available states. Double clicking on such isotope will open all available states in a Renderer window, while double clicking in Nuclide Explorer tree will open only the selected state.

Without changing the Chart zoom level you have access to these properties by right clicking on any nuclide. This will bring a popup window displaying all available properties for the selected nuclide.

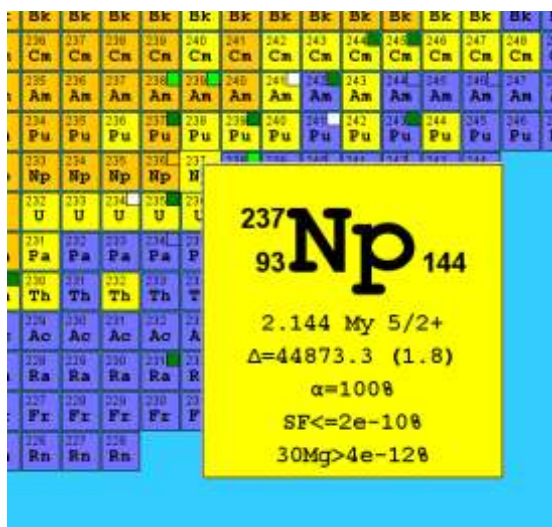


Figure 6: Chart of Nuclides popup

### c) Goto dialog

The Goto dialog (Menu Chart>Goto... or **CTRL-G** keyword shortcut) allows positioning quickly the Chart of Nuclides on any displayed isotope.

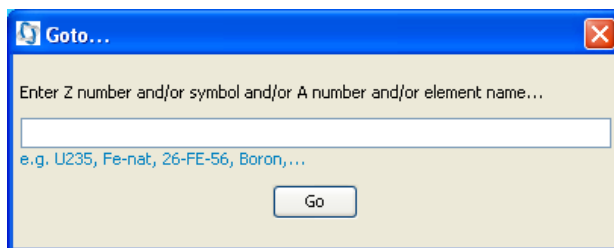


Figure 7: Goto dialog

The Goto dialog has been simplified. It displays a single text zone in which you can enter Z number and/or symbol and/or A number and/or element name.

The table below shows few examples (note that the corresponding nuclide must be present in the "Chart of Nuclides" displayed).

Notation	Text	Nuclide selected
Symbol A	U235	U235
Symbol-nat	Fe-nat	FeNat

Z-Symbol-A	26-FE-56	Fe56
Element name	Boron	B11
Symbol, A last digit	Pu9	Pu239
A=mass number	A=139	La139
Z=atomic number	Z=92	U235
Z=atomic number A=mass number	Z=92 A=235	U235

#### d) Saving Chart of Nuclides

Menu Chart>Save as... allows you to save the currently displayed Chart of Nuclides as a picture file, at the current zoom level, with the current parity filter and colour settings.

Note that due to Chart size, high zoom level will produce very big picture files so you will probably have to consider using a vectorial format like EMF (Windows Enhanced Metafile). Trying to generate a too big PNG file will cause an Out Of Memory error.

See chapter C.4 for image saving options.

### 3. Nuclide Explorer

The Nuclide Explorer component lists all isotopes displayed on the Chart of Nuclides. Isotopes are grouped by Elements, sorted against Z and A number.

Compounds, which cannot be displayed by the Chart of Nuclides, can be found at the end of each elements list.

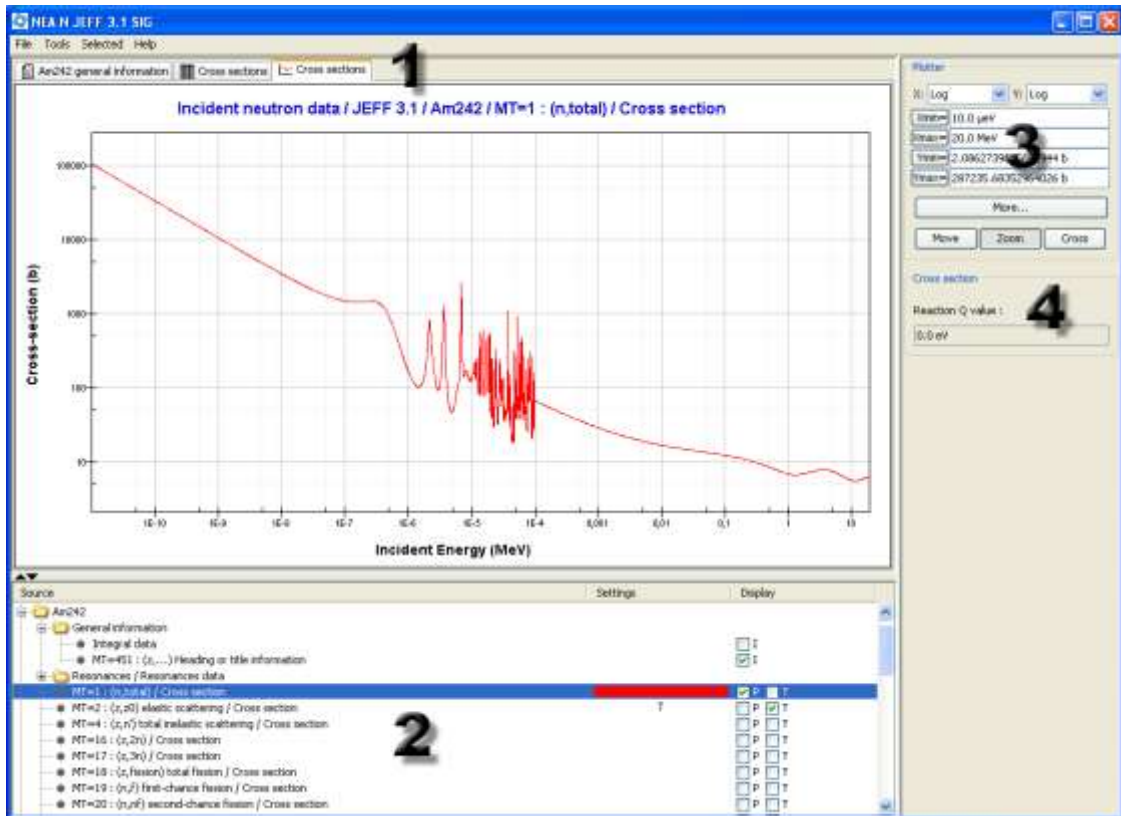
Double clicking on one isotope will open the Renderer window. (Almost equivalent to double clicking on the matching isotope on the Chart of Nuclides, see remark on metastable states in chapter III.A.2.b)).

When selection node changes in the Database Tree, the Nuclide Explorer is refreshed

## B. The “Renderer” window

The “Renderer” window is the major window for data displaying in JANIS. One and only one Browser window is displayed but you can open more than one Renderer window at a given time.





**Figure 8: Renderer**

This window is composed of the following components:

1. Display panels
2. Selection Tree
3. Display panel parameters
4. Data parameters

The menu of the Renderer offers the following items:

- File
- Tools
- Selected
- Help

## 1. Display panels

This area contains all displayed data. Each type of display will be contained in one tab, comparable data being displayed in the same tab.

Right-clicking on a tab title will bring a popup menu which allows closing the selected tab ("Close" menu), others tab ("Close Others" menu) or all tabs ("Close All" menu).



**Figure 9: tabbed panel popup menu**

## 2. Selection Tree

This tree-table displays all data that can be displayed in this Renderer window.

- First column: contains tree nodes for these data
- Second column: not empty if the corresponding plot is displayed, and is a button that links to another panel enabling the modification of the data display settings.
- Third column: contains checkboxes allowing to choose which data to display

There are currently six types of display available:

- [P]: graphical plots: cross-sections, neutron energy and angular distributions, fission yields, decay spectra...;
- [T]: tabular data: resonance parameters, X, Y representation of cross-sections or discrete decay spectra...;
- [t]: simple tabular data, like tabular data but with less options;
- [I]: for information text (decay data constants, general information, EXFOR subentries, ...)
- [M]: for correlation matrices display
- [D]: decay paths.

Each line in selection tree provides zero or more types of display, select a checkbox to display data in the display panes area. Alternatively, press the corresponding key when there is a selection (single or multiple).

When multiple variable graphs are drawn and more than one variable value is set, the colour button is made of several colours: one for each plot.

When you right-click on a line in the Selection Tree, a popup menu offering the following options is shown:



**Figure 10: Selection Tree popup**

- "Compare with Evaluated data" to open the Compare with Evaluated data dialog see below;
- "Searches" to launch a pre filled search on available databases;



- "Computations" to perform a new computation;
- "Weighting..." to trigger the Weighting dialog (see chapter VI.B);
- "Maximise" to enlarge the selection panel so that it takes the whole height available thus hiding the display panel (shortcut is CTRL+M);
- "Unselect all" to uncheck all previously checked checkboxes;
- "Settings" to dynamically set the levels of the tree;
- "Show horizontal lines" to toggle the visibility of horizontal lines between each row in the Selection Tree.

The "Compare with Evaluated data" menu allows automatically retrieving similar data from evaluated libraries present in the database(s).

The Compare dialog is no more available in JANIS 3.1

### 3. Data parameters

Depending on the current selection in Selection Tree a panel will be displayed in the right column, displaying some information about the selection, e.g. ENDF cross section will display the Q Value defined in ENDF files.

For data with more than one variable, e.g. angular distribution, the panel will also include a control to select the value of variable(s) not selected on plot X axis or in table first column.

To illustrate this let take as example JEFF 3.1  $^{59}\text{Ni}$  Elastic scattering angular distribution.

Initial display is angular distribution in function of cosine of angle, for incident energy  $E=2010740.0$  eV.



**Figure 11: JEFF 3.1  $^{59}\text{Ni}$  MT2 DA, initial state**

The list of incident energies E at which the distribution is tabulated in the evaluation is shown in a table with an empty last row. When selected, this empty row enables to enter new incident energy by either selecting it from the drop down list or typing a floating point number followed by the measurement unit symbol with the keyboard. The entry is validated by hitting the "Enter" button. Do not forget to add the measurement unit otherwise an error message is displayed (Invalid value, non homogeneous units). The angular distribution corresponding to the new value is added to the graph and a new empty row is added at the end of the table.



**Figure 12: JEFF 3.1 <sup>59</sup>Ni MT2 DA, two incident energy values plotted**

For the case of ENDF angular distribution the cells display an editable drop down because ENDF files describe angular distributions  $p(\mu, E)$  as a list of distributions  $p(\mu)$  for a given set of  $E$  values, with the possibility to interpolate to obtain the distribution  $p(\mu, E)$  for any  $E$  value, given in ENDF file or not. But for other data these cells will be either simple text field where you must type values (e.g. cosine of angle for angular distribution described with Legendre polynomials) or a non-editable drop down list when no interpolation is possible between given values (e.g. EXFOR data).

When you change plot X axis variable this component will be updated to offer choice for the other variable. With the same example if you select "Incident energy" as X axis then the component will offer choice of  $\mu$  values. In this case there is no given list of  $\mu$  values in ENDF file so the cells displays editable text field where you have to type  $\mu$  values.

Note that when you point the mouse cursor over the cells a tooltip describes the acceptable range of values. For the  $\mu$  variable, it indicates that any value between -1.0 and 1.0 inclusive is valid. Trying to enter 2.0 will trigger an error dialog (Invalid value).

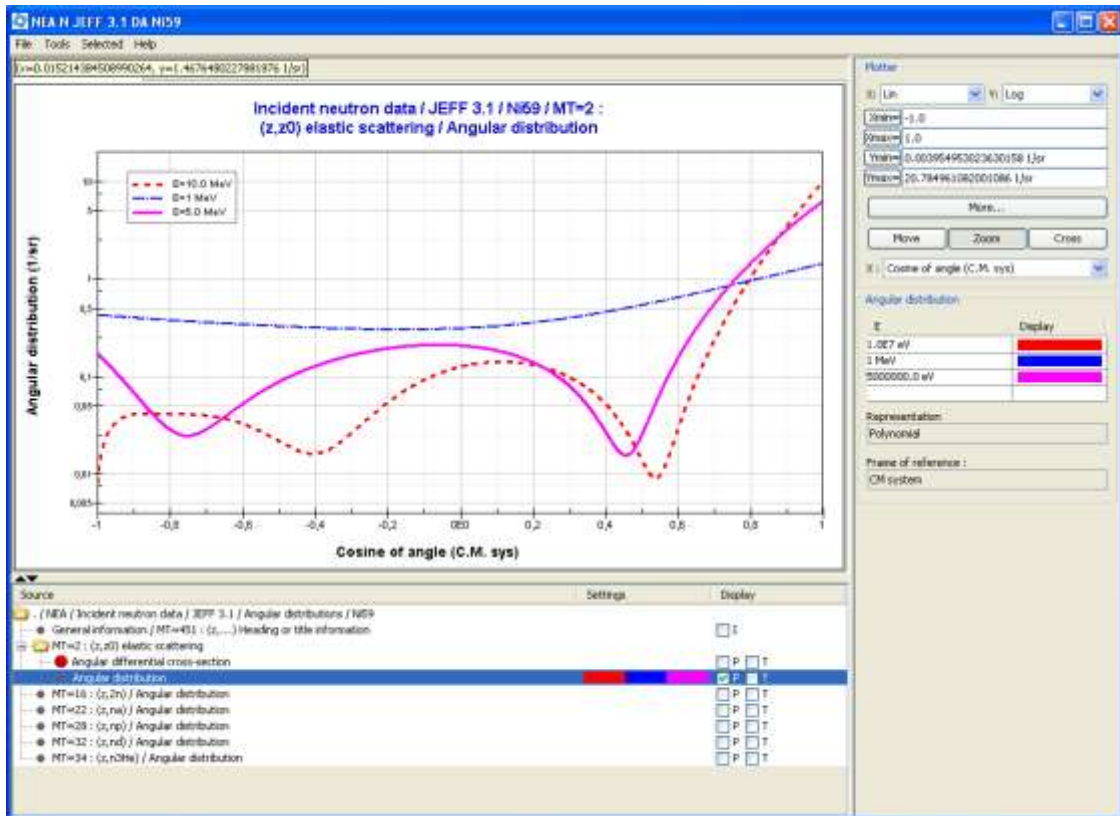
To remove rows (that is plots or table columns) you can either:

- Clear the cell, either with the keyboard if it is editable, or by selecting the empty first choice in drop down.
- Remove it from dialog described in chapter D.2

## C. Plot views

JANIS can display several kinds of plots:

1. Continuous plots;
2. Scatter plots with error bars;
3. Rays plots;
4. Covariance matrix plots.



**Figure 13: Plot views**

If the display panel is too small to draw the plot, the message “too small” is drawn instead. Simply enlarge the display panel.

## 1. Plotter basic parameters

The plotter basic parameters dialog enables to set the type of scale, the X and Y ranges.



**Figure 14: Plotter basic parameters**

The type of scale (logarithmic or linear) can be modified through the X: and Y: drop down lists. The  $x_{min}$ ,  $x_{max}$ ,  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$  fields can be used to set the desired size of X range and Y range. The text field accepts a value followed by a measurement unit if needed. If you forget the measurement unit, an error message “non homogeneous units” is displayed. To reset  $x_{min}$ ,  $x_{max}$ ,  $y_{min}$  or  $y_{max}$  to its initial value click on the corresponding button. When you reset  $x_{min}$  or  $x_{max}$ , both  $x_{min}$  and  $x_{max}$  are updated, likewise, when you reset  $y_{min}$  or  $y_{max}$  both  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$  are reset.

“More...”: press this button to display the plotter advanced parameters dialog described in chapter III.C.2.

“Move”: when pressing this button, you can move the plot by dragging the mouse on the displayed plot region.

“Zoom”: when pressing this button, draw a rectangle in the plot area with the mouse. The plotter will use the coordinates of the rectangle corners to calculate  $x_{min}$ ,  $x_{max}$ ,  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$ .

“Cross”: when pressing this button the cursor shows as a cross spanning the entire screen which can be used to quickly determine the local maximum or minimum of the displayed plot.

When a multiple variable plot is displayed, a drop down containing the list of all possible X variables is shown and the fixed variable is displayed. The corresponding legend displays the value of the fixed variable. To change X axis variable, simply select it from the X drop down list.

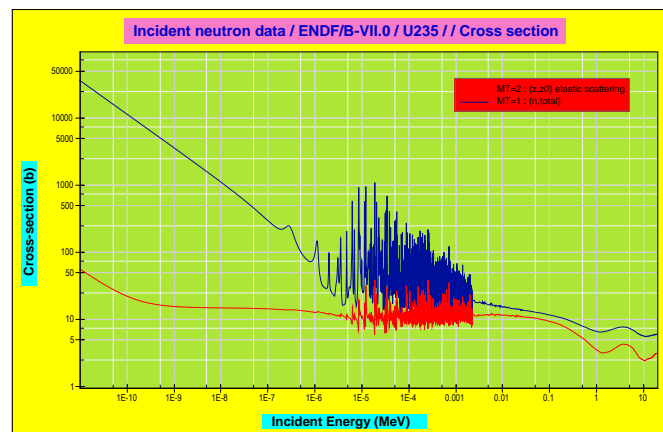
JANIS plotter maintains a stack of move and zoom operations. Right clicking the mouse button will undo the last operation performed. To restore the plot to its initial state, you can right click as many times as needed.

A tooltip located in the upper left corner displays the coordinates of the mouse pointer.

## 2. Plotter advanced parameters

JANIS uses the following terminology for Plots, described in Figure 15, the coloured components are:

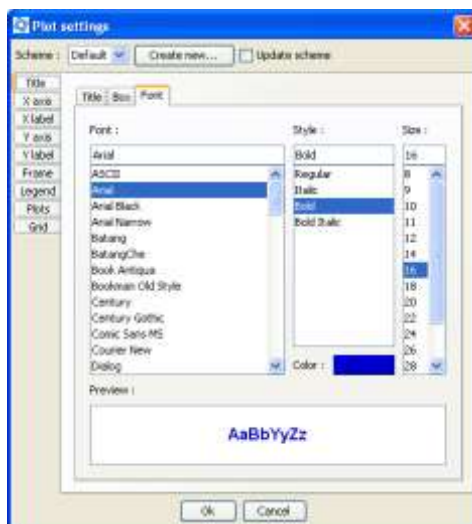
- The Frame in yellow,
- The Plots area in olive,
- The Title in rose,
- The Legend in red,
- The X axis and Y axis labels in light blue.



**Figure 15: Plot components**

The legend box can be dragged by the mouse if it overlaps displayed plots. Move the mouse cursor over the legend and notice that the mouse cursor shape is now a pointing hand. Press the left button and drag the legend to the desired location.

With the plotter settings dialog, you can customize all plot properties.



**Figure 16: Plotter advanced parameters**

JANIS uses schemes to store all these settings. A scheme enables the user to alternate between configurations, for example printing and screen display preferences. Choose a distinct name for each scheme otherwise the dialog which prompts you for a name will not close. Note that all plots are created with the "Default" scheme but you can change the applied scheme later.

When the "Update scheme" checkbox is checked, all modifications are applied to the current scheme currently selected.

The settings changes are reflected immediately in the underlying display panel to get immediate feedback.

On the first tab, "Title", you can choose between an automatic title, computed by JANIS, or enter a custom title in the "custom" text area. If you want a title that spans on multiple lines do not forget to check the "Preserve line breaks" option. When selecting the automatic option, the user can use variables that are enclosed in curly braces and prefixed with the dollar sign in order to define the title displayed by JANIS. These variables represent the different database levels, by default the title is set to:  $\${datatype} / \${dataset} / \${material} / \${datablock} / \${data}$ . On the second tab "box", you can set the border, background colour and margins. The preview area is automatically updated. On the third tab "font" you can choose the font: name, style (regular, italic, bold or bold italic), size and colour. To do so, click on the "Color" button to display a colour chooser dialog.

On the "X axis" and "Y axis" tabs, you can choose the colour and line style of the axis, the display of tick labels and enable or disable major and minor ticks. When you check the "None" option, no X axis is displayed and the other options are greyed. When you check the "Custom" option, the X axis is showed and the style, colour and weight can be set as well as the other options. The real number displayed right before the line is the weight in pixels, note that weights less than 1 will not appear smaller on screen but this will apply to prints and exports. The user can choose to display the measurement unit in the axis label or alternately in each major tick label displayed right after the value. The predefined formats are defined as follows:

- Scientific format is set to  $0.####E0$  ;
- Engineering format is set to  $##0.####E0$ .

If neither scientific nor engineering format matches your desire you can type a custom format in the "format" drop down. The format of the tick labels is that of the `DecimalFormat` Java class notation which is depicted in the following web site:

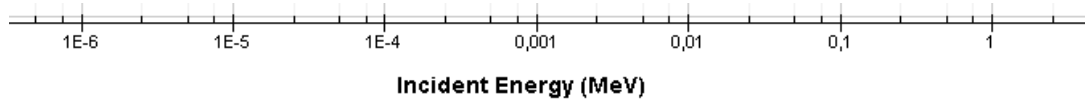
[download.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/text/DecimalFormat.html](http://download.oracle.com/javase/6/docs/api/java/text/DecimalFormat.html)

In the "Tick labels" panel you can choose to display measurement unit symbol in "axis label" or in "tick labels", with or without a corresponding prefix.

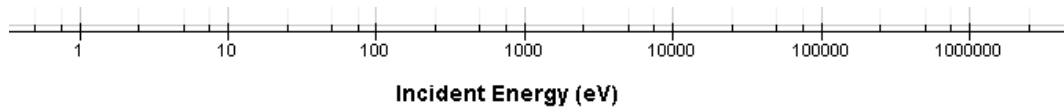
The "Prefixes" drop down enables to choose between several algorithms for displaying prefixes symbols like  $\mu$ , k, M,

- No prefix: No prefix will be displayed ;
- Smallest prefix: only the smallest prefix will be displayed resulting in large numbers if the range is large ;
- Best prefix: the algorithm will try to choose the closest prefix in order to minimize the number of digits displayed ;
- Greatest prefix: only the greatest prefix will be used resulting in small numbers if the range is large.

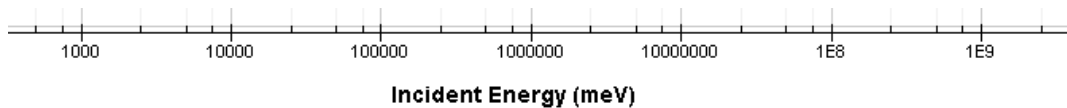
Here are the eight combinations:



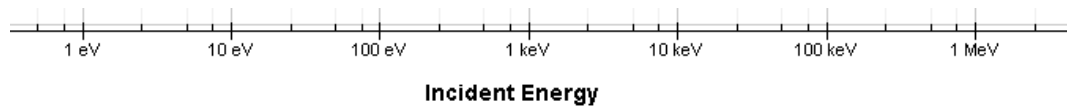
**Figure 17: axis label, greatest prefix**



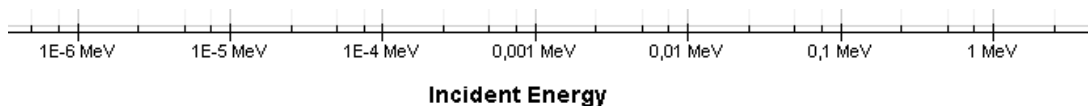
**Figure 18: axis label, no prefix**



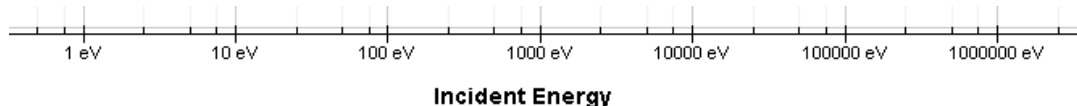
**Figure 19: axis label, smallest prefix**



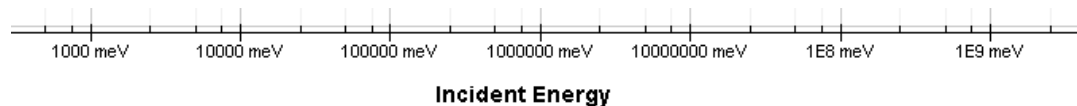
**Figure 20: axis label, best prefix**



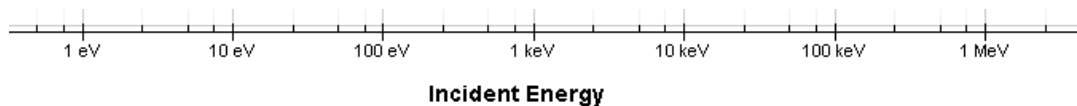
**Figure 21: ticks labels, greatest prefix**



**Figure 22: ticks labels, no prefix**



**Figure 23: ticks labels, smallest prefix**



**Figure 24: ticks labels, best prefix**

The "Major tick" and "Minor tick" marks panel can be customized. The tick location can be set with the help of four radio buttons:

- None: no tick is drawn ;
- Inside: the tick is drawn inside the drawing area ;
- Outside: the tick is drawn outside the drawing area ;
- Cross: the tick spans on both sides of the axis.

"On the two sides": when this option is checked, tick labels are displayed in both X axis (upper and lower one).

"Display label": no label is displayed when this option is cleared.

"Size": to set the size in pixels.

On the second tab "font" you can choose the font name, style (regular, italic, bold or bold italic) and size.

The "X label" and "Y label" settings are similar to the title settings: you can choose Label, Box and Font settings. The label can be automatically computed by JANIS with the use of predefined variables which must be enclosed in curly braces and prefixed by a dollar sign (\$):

- `x_symbol`: the variable symbol that is  $E'$  for Outgoing Energy,  $\mu$  for Cosine of angle, etc...
- `x_name`: the variable name i.e. "Outgoing Energy", "Cosine of angle"...
- `x_unit`: the variable unit i.e. (eV, b).

The "Frame" tab modifies the frame settings: border, background colour and margins. Note that the frame will be transparent if you check the "none" radio button in the Area panel. The margins panel accepts integer values.

The "Legend" tab is made of Legend, Box and Font sub tabs. It enables the user to customize legend labels. Double click in a cell of the "Manual label" column to enter a custom legend. The manual label is appended to the legend.

The "Drawing order" tab controls the drawing orders (foreground, background) for multiple curves graphs. Select a curve by its title and click on one of the four buttons to change its display order: "Move Top", "Move Up", "Move Down" or "Move Bottom". Plots in the background can be hidden by plots in the foreground.

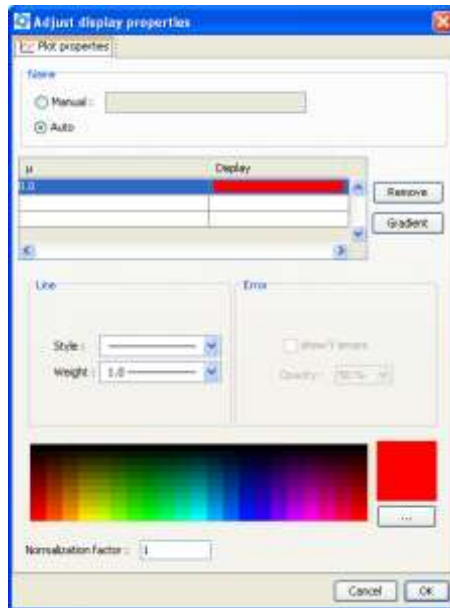
The "Scheme" tab enables to preset different settings that will apply to the curves in the same order. This setting does not affect already displayed plots. For modifying displayed curve, click on the colour button in the third column of the Selection Tree.

The "Background" tab enables to set the background colour of the drawing area. As with the Frame settings, select the "none" radio button in the Area panel to make the background transparent. This will not make any difference on screen but is useful with exported plots (e.g. EMF files)

The "Grid" tab enables you to set the shape and colour of the major and minor X and Y grids. It is made of two sub tabs "X grid" and "Y grid" corresponding to each grid. If you prefer not to display grid(s), check the "none" radio button to hide the corresponding grid(s).

### 3. Plots parameters

The plots parameters dialog is displayed by clicking on the second column of the Selection Tree. This dialog depends on the data type of the displayed plot.



**Figure 25: Plots parameters**

The "Name" panel enables you to enter a custom name for the displayed plot.

The "Variable" editor can be used to add new plots. To add a new plot, click in the last empty cell of the table. On the other hand, the "remove" button can be used to remove the selected plot.

The "Line" panel enables you to tune the type of the curve displayed: line style, colour and weight.

The "Mark" panel enables you to select among several shapes and sizes.

For rays, the line style and mark can be customized.

The "Error" panel is available when data contain error information. You can toggle the display of error bars.

The plot colour can be changed by using the colour map or the "..." button.

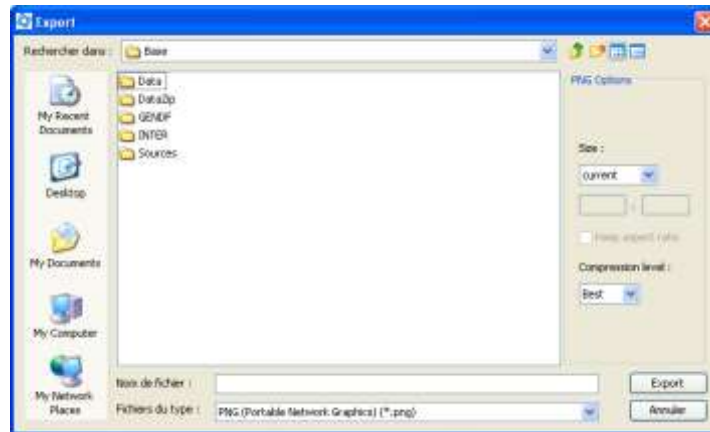
You can also perform a normalization of the displayed plot by entering a real value in the "Normalization" field.

## 4. Saving plots

Plots can be saved in several formats with the menu "File>Save ...": **PNG** (Portable Network Graphics), **EMF** and **WMF** (Enhanced Windows Metafile Format), **PS** (PostScript), **PDF** (Portable Document Format).

Note that EMZ is a compressed version of regular EMF or WMF files used by recent versions of Microsoft Visio. EPS stands for Encapsulated PostScript.





**Figure 26: Export image dialog**

This file save dialog displays a custom panel containing options specific to each format:

- EMF, WMF and EMZ options are Size, Keep aspect ratio and Transparent.
- PNG options are Size, Keep aspect ratio and Compression level.
- PS options are Paper size, Orientation, Keep aspect ratio and Fonts embedding.
- PDF options are Paper size, Orientation, Keep aspect ratio and Embed fonts or Draw shapes.

If you choose an existing filename, JANIS prompts you for confirmation before overwriting the existing file.

Each option is described below:

- **Size:** this drop-down list contains five common sizes 320 pixels width and 200 pixels height, 640x480, 800x600, 1024x768 and 1280x1024. The "Current" option sets the resulting size to that of the Display panel and no transformation occurs whereas when selecting the "Custom" size, the height and width fields can be set by the user.
- **Keep aspect ratio:** when this option is checked and the size is not set to "current", a transformation occurs so as to keep the same ratio between the width and height of the resulting image as the ratio of the displayed image in the Display panel.
- **Compression level:** only applicable for the PNG format it be selected as either "best", "normal" or "fastest" making the file size smaller, medium and bigger.
- **Transparent:** when checked, the Frame and Plots area are transparent if their respective background colour is set to none (only applicable for EMF, WMF and EMZ formats)
- **Paper size:** sets the size of the paper format.
- **Orientation:** Landscape or Portrait
- **Font embedding:** check this option to embed font in the Postscript file as either Type 1 or Type 3 fonts.
- **Embed fonts/Draw shapes:** when "Embed fonts" option is used the resulting PDF file can be displayed in any system whether the fonts are installed on it. When the "Draw shapes" option is used the text is converted to a series of outlines. Use these options when you notice that some characters are either not displayed or incorrectly displayed (the character shapes on screen are different than the outlines in the PDF file). As a consequence text can't be selected in the PDF file.

## D. Table views

Table views display the title in the upper row followed by the data in a table made of header cells and data values in following cells.

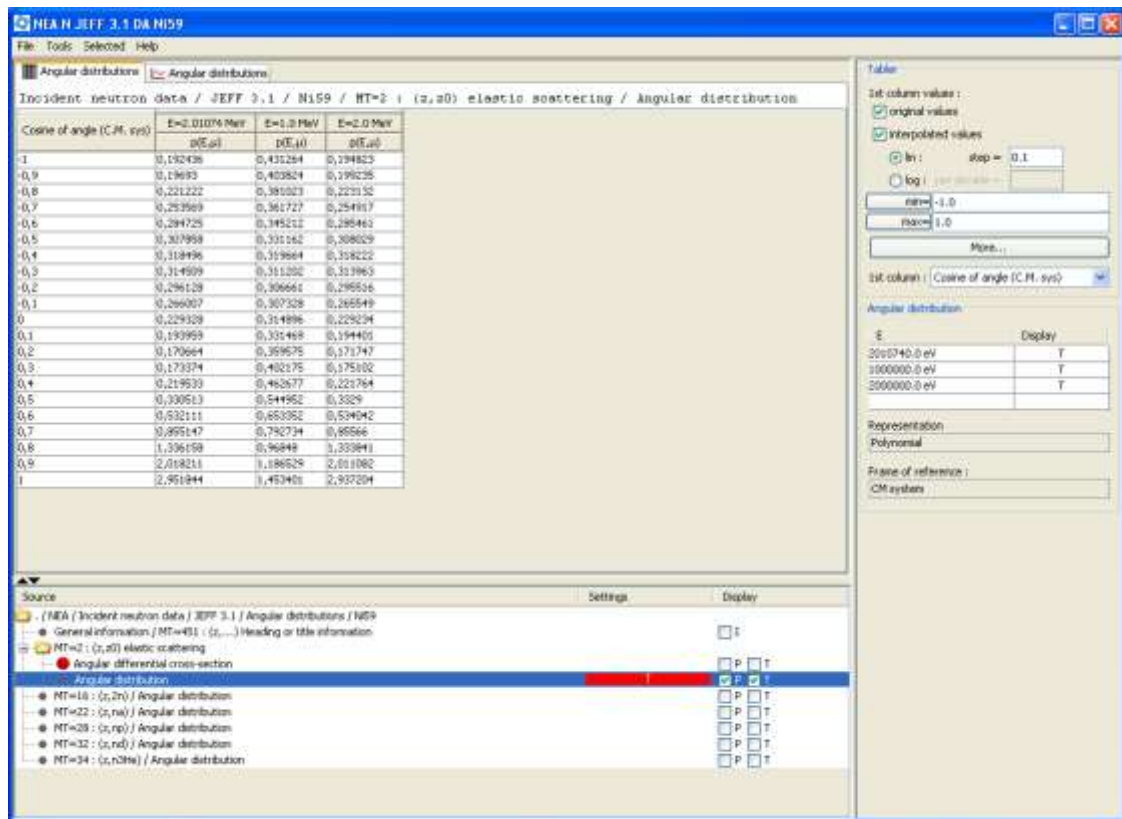


Figure 27: Table views

A header cell is made of three rows (except for simple table view):

Data name is displayed in the first row if the title does not contain it.

When there are fixed variables, the variable name is displayed in the second row followed by an equal sign (=) and the fixed value (optionally followed by other fixed variables).

The data column name is displayed in the third row and is always present.

Tabular data are displayed in ascending order against first column by default. Click on header cells to change the ordering column. Click while maintaining the SHIFT key to reverse the order.

When there is no value to display, a dash (-) is printed in the cell, and the tooltip is set to "no value".

Each cell contains a numerical value; the measurement unit is visible in the third row of the header cell.

When displaying comparable data, JANIS automatically computes values for corresponding cells whenever possible e.g. if you display <sup>9</sup>Be ENDF/B-VII.0 MT 103 (n, p) section you will obtain 8 rows, later if you add JEFF 3.1 section you will obtain a table with more rows. Now, the ENDF/B-VII.0 column displays more than 8 rows.

### 1. Tabler basic parameters

When a table is displayed, the tabler basic parameters panel allows choosing the sampling mode and data range as well as the first column.



**Figure 28: Tabler basic parameters**

Tabular data can stem from the input file ("original values") or can be computed by JANIS ("interpolated values").

When checking "interpolated values", the user can select a linear or a logarithmic sampling mode. The table content is refreshed after any parameter has been modified.

The linear sampling mode necessitates a step value to be entered by the user. The step value must be strictly positive. Note that you should also enter the measurement unit associated with the step value otherwise you will get the following error message: "Non homogeneous units".

In logarithmic mode, the "per decade" box must be filled in by a positive integer to indicate in how many ranges a decade will be divided.

The boxes near the buttons "min=" and "max=" can be used to restrict the displayed range. Clicking on one of these buttons reset both  $y_{min}$  and  $y_{max}$  to their initial value.

The maximum number of rows in a table is set to 100 000. If the given parameters would result in more interpolated values the error message "too many interpolated values" is displayed. Choose other parameter values so as to reduce the resulting number of rows.

## 2. Tabler advanced parameters

The tabler advanced parameters panel enables you to customize the title.



**Figure 29: Tabler advanced parameters**

The dialog enables you to hide the title ("None"), to let JANIS choose ("Automatic") or to type a title for the table ("custom"). The "Automatic" option works with a template pattern. The following templates are available:

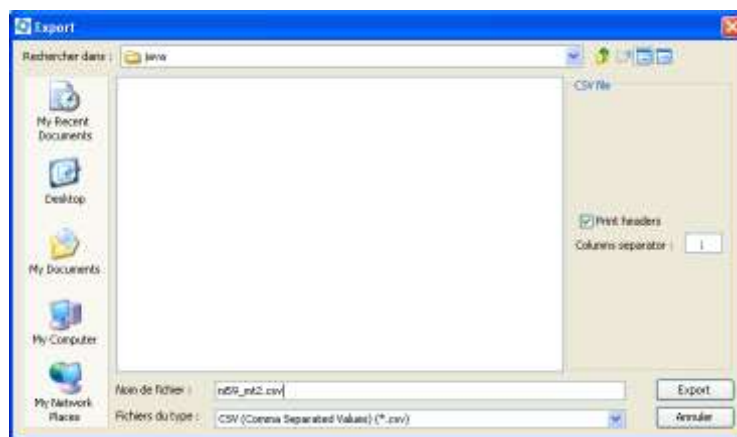
- Datatype;
- Dataset;
- Material;
- Datablock;
- Data.

Template variables are enclosed in curly braces and prefixed with the dollar sign. These variables represent the different database levels. The automatic template is set to: `${datatype} / ${dataset} / ${material} / ${datablock} / ${data}` by default.

The title is displayed above the table and can span on multiple lines if needed.

### 3. Saving tables

Tables can be saved in CSV (Comma Separated Values) format. Select "File > Save ..." in the menu bar. You can specify the file name and location and other options, including the choice of column separator. The default column separator is a semicolon (";"). When the "Print headers" option is checked, the CSV file contains column titles.



**Figure 30: Export CSV dialog**

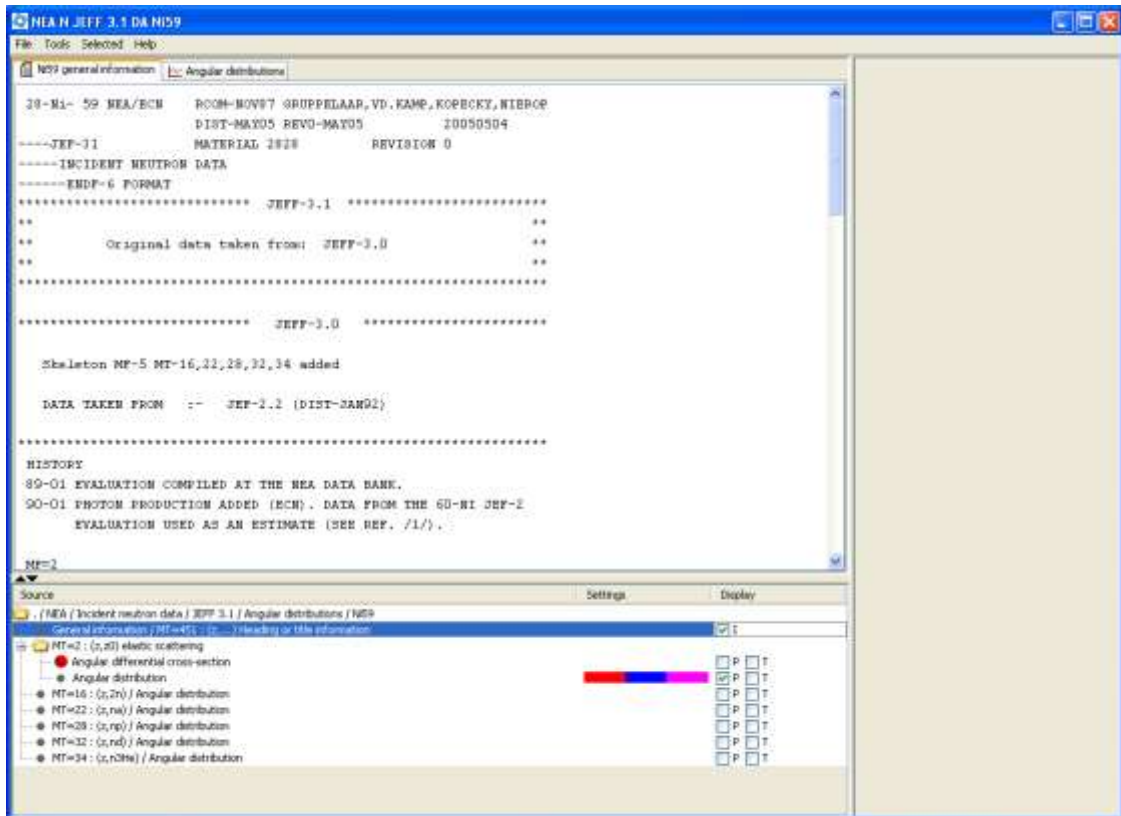
If you choose an existing filename, JANIS prompts you for confirmation before overwriting the existing file.

Note that Microsoft Excel depends on the Windows Regional Settings to properly load such a file. Moreover Microsoft Excel handles 65 536 rows at most per sheet whereas JANIS can save a file with 100 000 rows (refer to [support.microsoft.com/kb/120596](http://support.microsoft.com/kb/120596)).

## E. Text views

JANIS displays several kinds of data as text panes.

- NUBASE information
- ENDF: "General information" which contains a summary description of the evaluation work (source of data, analysis method...) and a dictionary of available files and reactions
- EXFOR: BIB sections are displayed with interpretation of codes in italics.



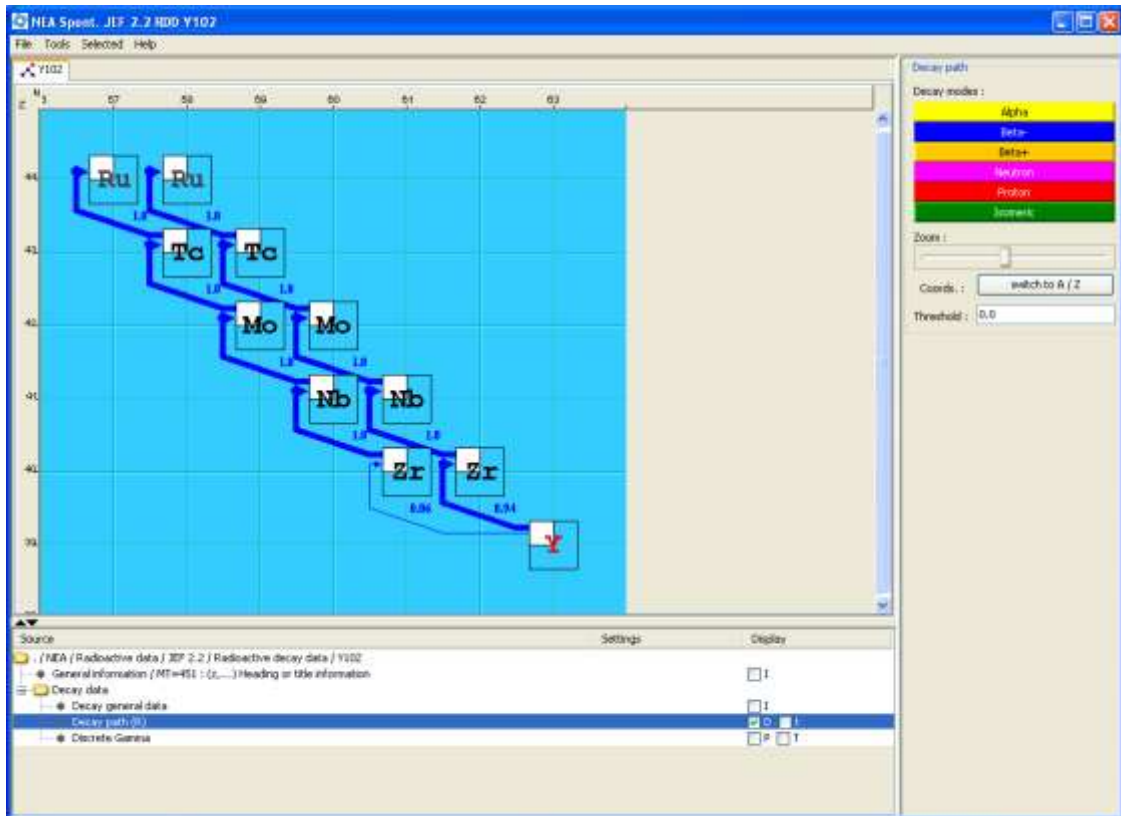
**Figure 31: Text view**

Displayed text can be copied to the clipboard by selecting content with the mouse.

Textual information can be saved to disk in HTML format with the "File > Save..." menu. Exported HTML file can later be opened with Word.

## F. Decay path views

Decay information is available under the "Radioactive data" node in the "Database Tree".



**Figure 32: Decay path**

The decay path shares the same settings as that of the "Chart of Nuclides" e.g. background colour.

## 1. Decay paths parameters

When displaying a decay path, the Display panel contains a Chart of Nuclides view of the selected nuclide decay path. The selected nuclide is drawn in red. Coloured arrows representing different decaying modes are used to link nuclides.



**Figure 33: Decay paths parameters**

The "decay modes" buttons enables to modify the colour of the associated arrow.

The chain may be represented on either (A, Z) or (N, Z) axes, which can be toggled by clicking on the "Coords." button ("switch to N/Z" or "switch to A/Z").

The "threshold" field accepts a float comprised between 0.0 and 1.0 and can be used to filter decay mode(s) that have a branching ratio below it.

The zoom level can be set with the "Zoom:" slider.

You can right-click on any nuclide near the origin of an arrow to display its detailed information (half-life with precision, decay mode...).

## 2. Saving decay paths

The menu "File>Save..." can be used to save the decay path as an image, see chapter C.4 for more information.

## G. Upgrading JANIS

Changes will continue to be made to the software after the publication of official versions. A live update option enables the user who has a web connection to automatically check for updates and download the necessary files from the NEA web site. As this option replaces the old versions of the files, they should not have a read-only status. Thus, running this option requires all files like "Janis.jar" to be installed on a hard drive with write permission.

This option is not activated by default. To run the live update at each start-up check the option "check for new version at startup" in the "General" tab of the preferences dialog. To run the live update instantaneously, choose the menu option "File > Check update..." Each time a new version of the software is available on the NEA web site, the program will prompt you to download it. If you answer yes, it will rename the old version. The user is advised to clean-up his "software" directory after an update by deleting the file named "JANIS.jar.bckDate\_and\_time".

## H. Customizing JANIS

Menu "File > Preferences..." displays the Preferences dialog. This dialog is made of several tabs:

- General tab enables turning on automatic update by checking the box. The Look & Feel panel enables you to switch between different Look & Feels. Finally, the command line to launch your web browser can be filled.
- Network tab enables setting up a proxy (see chapter IX.D.2.a)).
- Bases tab enables to restore the previous Chart of Nuclides at startup.
- Chart tab enables changing the background colour of the Chart of the Nuclides as well as the preferred zoom level at start-up.
- Renderer tab enables choosing the refresh of display when new panes are added. The second option sets the maximum number of elements in the variable editor drop-down list. The anti-aliasing options allow to specify whether the display of text and/or curves should be softened (see figure XXX).
- Search tab enables setting the history size can to an integer between 0 and 100. The threshold before a warning is displayed can also be set.

JANIS settings are stored in a text file in your personal folder (on Microsoft Windows C:\Documents and Settings\USERNAME), if you need to return quickly to factory default simply delete this file (while JANIS is not running).

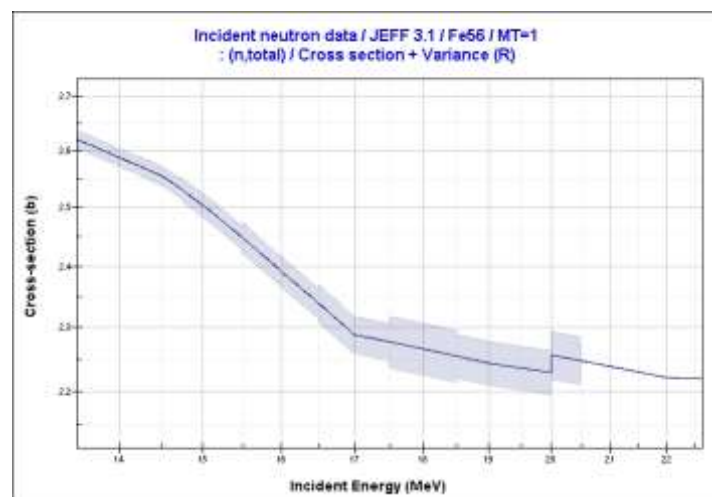
## IV. Data

### A. Cross-sections and resonance parameters

Both pointwise and groupwise cross-section data can be displayed and compared.

Evaluated data files usually give cross-sections for different reactions (MT in the ENDF format) over an energy range, which goes from the reaction threshold (or  $10E-5$  eV for reactions with positive Q value). In the resonance energy range, resonance parameters are usually given, from which the cross section can be constructed and Doppler broadened at different temperatures. So in a typical evaluation file, the cross-section is set to zero in the resonance range pending its construction by a processing code. Apart from the resonance range, the cross-section is described in a pointwise mode (successive values of energy and cross-section) with an interpolation mode between the points.

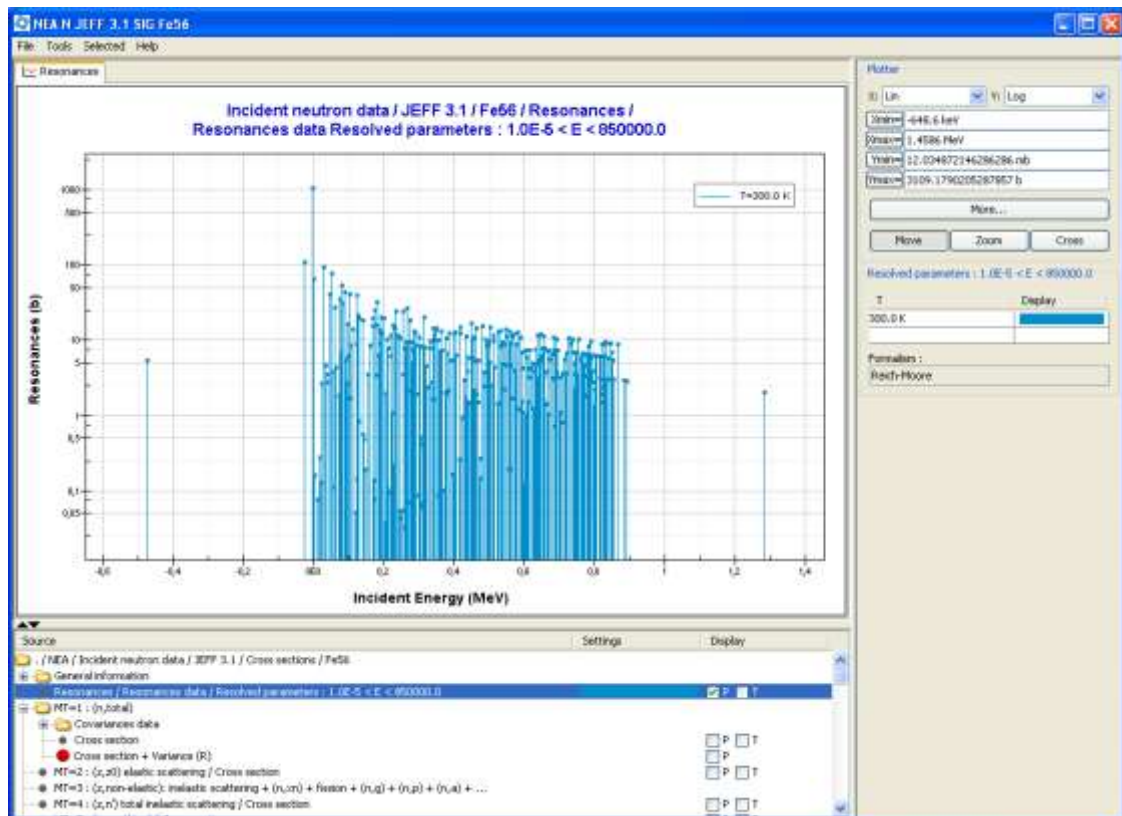
When the cross sections are processed, the resonance part is reconstructed and the cross-sections are linearised over the entire energy range (energy points are added between the initial grids in order to allow an accurate linear representation of the data up to a certain precision). The result of that is a pointwise file which covers the whole energy range and represents the cross-section at a certain temperature. This format of data is more appropriate for users who are interested in viewing and comparing cross-sections.



**Figure 34: Cross section + Variance data**

Resonance data can also be plotted to show  $\sigma_0(E_0)$  as a function of  $E_0$ .





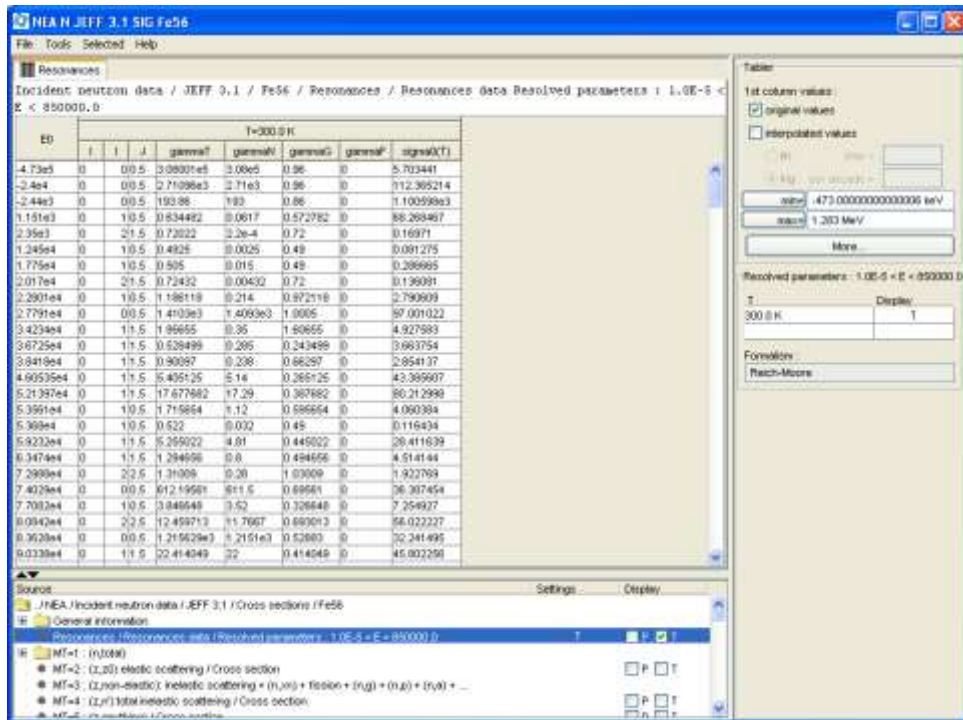
**Figure 35: Resonances data**

Plotter basic parameter displays the formalism used to represent the resonance parameters in the evaluation file (MF=2), i.e. Reich-Moore.

The temperature in Kelvin is also shown and is used to compute the Doppler width which is combined with the total width for the calculation of  $\sigma_0(T)$ . The user can enter a new value for the temperature.

Resonance data can be displayed in tabular format (see Figure 36) where:

- $E_0$  (eV) is the resonance energy.
- $l$  is the orbital momentum.
- $I$  is the target nucleus spin.
- $J$  is the compound nucleus spin.
- $\gamma_T$ ,  $\gamma_N$ ,  $\gamma_G$  and  $\gamma_F$  (eV) are the resonance widths.
- $\sigma_0(T)$  is the cross-section at  $E_0$ , where the width used is the square root of the total width squared and the Doppler width squared [calculated at a temperature  $T$  to be specified in the Data parameters panel (see chapter III.B.3) at the right of the screen.



**Figure 36: Resonance table view**

For unresolved parameters, only the simple tabular view is available. This view displays the following columns:

- SPI: Spin of the target nucleus ;
- L: neutron orbital angular momentum ;
- AJ: Floating point value of J ;
- AMUX: number of degrees of freedom used in the competitive width distribution ;
- AMUN: number of degrees of freedom in the neutron width distribution ;
- AMUG: at present always equal to 0.0 ;
- AMUF: number of degrees of freedom in the fission width distribution ;
- ES: Energy of the ith point ;
- D: Average level spacing for resonances with spin J ;
- GX: Average competitive reaction width ;
- GN: Average reduced neutron width ;
- GG: Average radiation width ;
- GF: Average fission width.

## B. Energy distributions

The energy distribution gives the probability of emission of a secondary particle at a given energy  $E'$ . This probability also depends on the energy  $E$  of the incident particle, and it is generally represented as  $p(E \rightarrow E')$ . Data parameters panel displays the representation of the energy distribution (tabulated function or analytical expression) as different methods may be used in the evaluation.

The distribution is displayed for one tabulated incident energy. The list of incident energies  $E$  at which the distribution is tabulated in the evaluation is shown in the drop down list of the Data parameters panel (see chapter III.B.3). Note that for energies

between tabulated values, JANIS can construct the distribution according to the interpolation law specified in the evaluation.

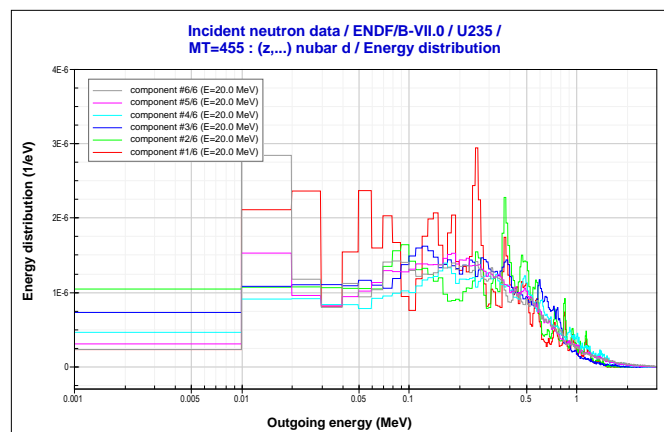
As the secondary energy distribution depends on the incident particle energy, the user might be interested in knowing how the probability of emitting a particle at a certain energy  $E'$  depends on the incident energy  $E$ . This can be done by changing the X axis variable to  $E$  (Incident Energy) see chapter III.B.3.

The energy distribution may be represented in the evaluation as the combination of partial energy distributions:

$$p(E \rightarrow E') = \sum_k p_k(E) f_k(E \rightarrow E')$$

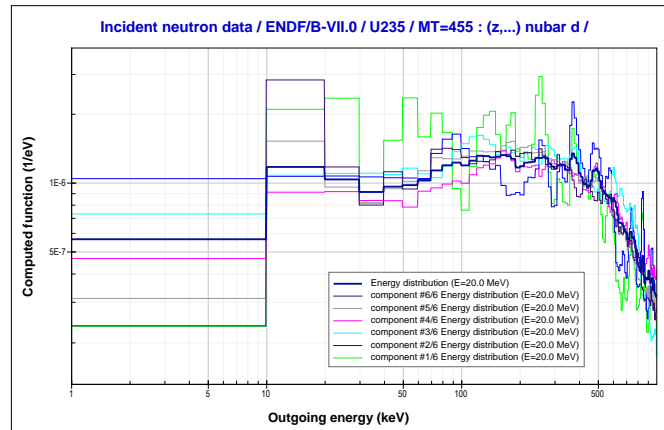
In the equation above,  $p_k$  is the fractional probability and  $f_k$  the fractional distribution.

This is typically the case for energy distributions of reactions with multiple incident particles or for delayed neutron distribution for which the distributions are given for several precursor families. Figure 37 gives an example of delayed neutron distributions represented by six fractional distributions (one for each precursor family). The list of items displayed shows several quantities such as "Energy differential cross-section", "Energy distribution" and six nodes corresponding to the six families. For each precursor family, three rows are available in the reactions list corresponding to: the fractional probability; the delayed neutron energy distribution and the product of the fractional probability and the energy distribution. The following figure shows the plot of delayed neutron energy distribution for the six precursor families.



**Figure 37: Delayed neutron energy for the six precursor family**

The partial energy distributions might be combined according to the formula above to form the overall delayed neutron energy distribution. JANIS provides under each component the fraction of delayed neutrons in the family multiplied by the energy distribution of the family. It also provides the summation of these weighted energy distributions (row entitled "Energy distribution" and located just above the folder of the first partial spectrum ("component #1/6"). The following figure shows the combined distribution and the contribution of each group to the overall distribution.



**Figure 38: Multi component energy distribution**

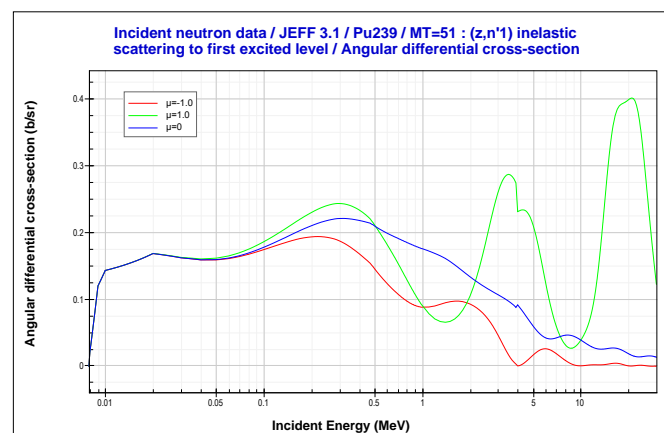
## C. Angular distributions

Angular distributions of secondary particles are given in MF=4 of the ENDF format as  $f(\mu, E)$ , where  $\mu$  is the cosine of the angle between the incident and emergent particles and  $E$  is the energy of the incident particle. The angular distribution may be given as a tabulated function of  $\mu$ , as an expansion of Legendre polynomials or as a constant value over the whole energy range when the distribution is isotropic. This representation used in the evaluation is shown in the "Representation" field. Likewise the distribution may be defined in either centre-of-mass or laboratory systems and it is displayed in the "Frame of reference" field.

The incident energy points  $E$  at which the distribution is tabulated are given in the plotter parameters panel. Note that for energies between tabulated values, JANIS constructs the distribution by interpolating according to the interpolation law specified in the evaluation, the default value being the first tabulated point.

As the angular distribution depends on the incident particle energy, the user can plot how the probability of emitting a particle at a certain cosine angle depends on the incident particle energy  $E$ . This can be done by changing the X axis variable to  $E$  (Incident Energy) see chapter III.C.1.

It is also possible to plot differential cross-sections. When a reaction has an anisotropy law in the evaluation (the angular distribution is not isotropic), JANIS constructs the product of the angular distribution and the cross-section. It is thus possible to plot the cross-section as a function of energy for different angles as shown below.



**Figure 39: Angular differential cross section**

## D. Energy-angle distributions

The distribution in energy and angle of the reaction products is described in File 6 of the ENDF format. It provides an alternative and more accurate representation of the reaction products' characteristics compared to the separate representations using energy distribution (File 5) and angular distribution (File 4). The double-differential cross-section is related to the energy angle distribution by:

$$\sigma_i(\mu, E, E') = \sigma(E) \cdot y_i(E) \cdot f_i(\mu, E, E') / 2\pi$$

where E is the incident energy, E' the energy of the product emitted with cosine  $\mu$ ,  $\sigma(E)$  is the reaction cross-section and  $y_i(E)$  the product yield. The energy-angle distribution and the yield can be displayed by JANIS.

Different representations for the energy-angle distributions are used in the evaluations (shown in the field "Representation" at the bottom of the Plotter Basic Parameter Panel). The incident energy is always given in the laboratory system while secondary energy and angle may be given in the centre of mass or laboratory systems (this information is also given in the Plotter Basic Parameter Panel).

The energy-angle distribution has three independent variables which can be plotted along the X axis. The distribution is plotted as a function of one variable; the other two are being fixed. The X axis variable is selected in the "X:" drop down (see chapter III.C.1). The choices are: "Incident Energy", "Outgoing energy" and "Cosine of angle". The values of the other two parameters (for example E and  $\mu$  if the variable is E') are fixed.

The plot's legend displays the fixed values.

## E. Decay data

Decay data can be obtained from the "Radioactive decay data" node. Under this node, the "Chart of Nuclides" will display the mass of the nuclide, its excitation energy, the spin and parity, the half-life, the mean decay energies and decay modes. The mean decay energies are given for three families of emitted particles:

- all electron-related radiation such as beta-, beta+, conversion electrons, Auger, etc.;
- all electromagnetic radiation such as gamma rays, X-rays and annihilation radiation;
- all heavy charged particles and delayed neutrons (alpha, protons, fission products...).

For each decay mode, the corresponding Q value, branching ratio and nuclide produced are given.

JANIS will display corresponding ray plots in the renderer window.

## F. Fission yields

Fission yield data depend on the projectile causing the fission (e.g. neutron-induced fission), its energy and the fissioning system. Fission may also occur as a radioactive process, i.e. without projectile. Consequently, the "Fission yields data" node in JANIS might appear under several categories: "Radioactive data" (for spontaneous fission yields) or "Incident neutron data".

The content of the selection list depends on the nature of the nuclide, i.e. whether it is the nuclide undergoing fission (parent nuclide) or if it is produced by fission (product nuclide).

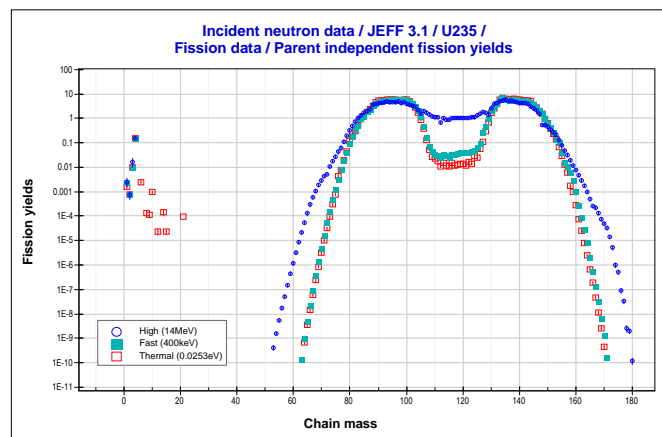
For parent nuclides, there is general information available [taken from the section (File 1, MT=451) of the evaluation which contains brief documentation of the evaluation and a dictionary with the available reactions], independent fission yields and cumulative fission yields.

The independent fission yield of a particular nuclide and its associated excitation energy state is the proportion of this nuclide directly produced by fission prior to delayed neutron, beta decay, etc.

Cumulative yields account for all decay branches after fission including delayed neutron emission.

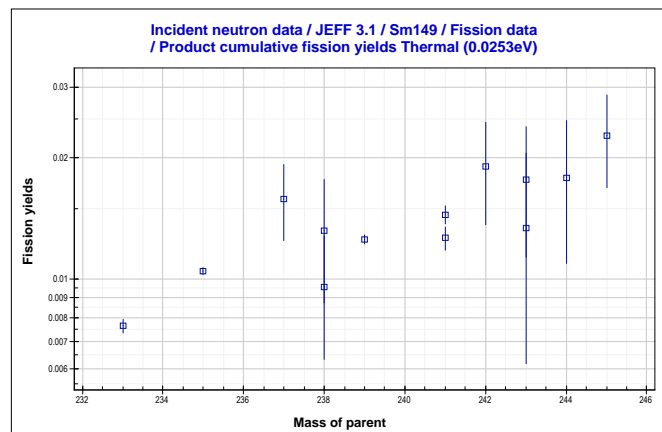
Independent and cumulative yields are displayed in both tabular and graphical formats. The tabular format gives the yield for all products (isotope, excitation energy state) while the graphical representation gives the fission yield as a function of the chain mass (sum of yields for a given mass number A).

Fission yields depend on the energy of the neutron causing fission. Independent and cumulative yields are thus given for typical values of the neutron spectrum (thermal neutron-induced, fast neutron-induced and high-energy neutron-induced fission). An example of an independent fission yields graph is shown.



**Figure 40: Independent fission yields**

For product nuclides (fission products), the production yield for different fissioning systems can also be displayed as in Figure 41 when a specific product is selected from the "Chart of Nuclides". This information is not initially contained in the evaluation, but JANIS constructs it from the parents' fission yield information. The information is also available as independent or cumulative yields and at typical energies of the neutron-inducing fission.



**Figure 41: Production yield of  $^{149}\text{Sm}$**

It is also possible to display the fission yields for a set of nuclides with similar properties (same mass number, chain mode or same charge number, charge mode). The following graph shows a comparison between  $^{235}\text{U}$  and  $^{239}\text{Pu}$  fission yields for fission products of mass 90.

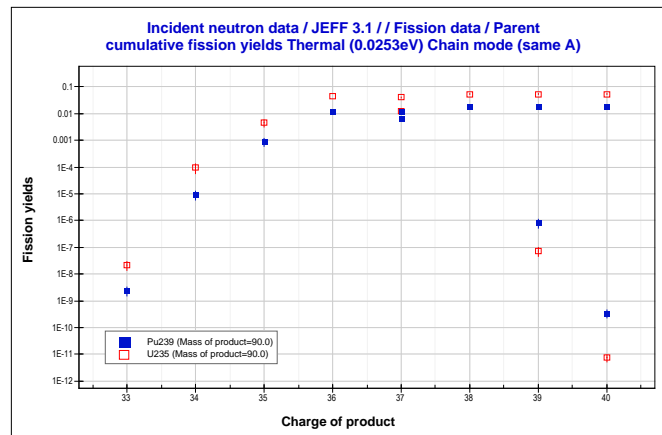


Figure 42:  $^{235}\text{U}$  and  $^{239}\text{Pu}$  fission yields

## G. Photon production data

Photon production data are stored in File 12-15 in libraries in ENDF format. Photon production data can be:

- Multiplicities and transition probabilities arrays;
- Photon production cross sections;
- Photon angular distributions;
- Continuous photon energy spectra.

## H. Covariance data

JANIS can display evaluated covariance data from ENDF File MF33 but also processed covariance matrices in ERRORR and BOXER formats.

Evaluated covariance matrices are grouped together in nodes labelled "Covariances data". This node gives access to a text page which lists the matrices available along with their internal storage type (LB flags) and their energy grid(s).

Processed covariance matrices are grouped together in nodes labelled "Covariances data (BOXER)" and "Covariances data (ERRORR)".

Note that contrary to evaluated MF33 data, processed covariance matrices include the resonance region.

Evaluated matrices nodes ("Covariances data") list only the matrices which are given in the evaluated files so the matrix MT1/MT2 is listed under the node MT1 only. But this processed matrix is accessible either from the MT1 branch or the MT2 branch.

All matrices can be displayed as numerical tables. The columns and row headers are the upper limit of energy groups.

## V. The search tool

### A. Search dialog

Five search capabilities are included in JANIS:

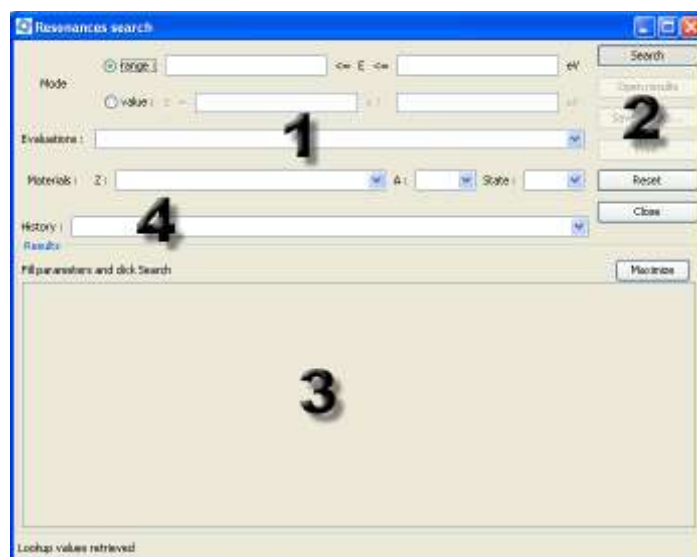
- general ENDF reactions search,
- resonances search,
- decay line search,
- experimental data (EXFOR) search,
- and bibliographical references (CINDA)

All these search capabilities share the same functionalities and the same appearance.

The search tool can be accessed from the "Search" menu in the Browser window or the "Tools > Search" menu in the Renderer window. This menu is dynamically updated each time a new database is loaded or disconnected. If the "Search" menu is greyed make sure that you have at least a database loaded and connected in the database tree. See chapter VIII for further guidance on loading a database in JANIS.

Alternatively a search dialog can be opened by right clicking in the Selection Tree (or with Renderer menu "Selected > Search". With the latter case, some search fields will be initialized with the current selection and a search launched. This is the fastest way to find comparable data.

When you have several databases connected (e.g. Local and NEA remote) JANIS queries all databases. This occurs in particular with the local and remote databases. If the user wants to restrict the search to a specific database, the other database(s) should be unloaded prior to starting the search ("Disconnect" menu from the popup menu of the Database Tree). The first column of the results panel displays the database name.



**Figure 43: Search dialog**

The search dialog is composed of four parts:

1. the criteria panel
2. the actions panel
3. the results panel
4. the history drop-down



## 1. Criteria panel

Each drop-down list is made of lookup values stored in the database. When an entry is considered obsolete, JANIS displays it in light grey in the drop down selection boxes and in result table cells.

Text fields accept any character and the search performed is case insensitive.

For energy criterion, you must provide a real value but you should not add the measurement unit.

The material criteria editor enables to quickly search on target nuclide or compound by their Z, A, and state values. In the Z drop-down list, you can enter either the symbol or the Z number. The Z number should be comprised between 1 and 999. Press the TAB key to confirm. Alternatively, you can enter a symbol in the Z criteria e.g. U, Pu... Then, the A criteria can be filled by either entering the mass number (A) or a compound symbol (see Table 2). Note that the A list is filtered after having selected a Z number and vice versa. Finally, the State drop-down allows you to select the metastable state of the nuclide. The A and Z text boxes allow you to select ranges of numbers, e.g. to search for uranium, neptunium, plutonium and americium elements you can enter 92-95 in the Z text box.

**Table 2: Compound codes**

Nuclide	Compound code	Name
H	BNZ	Benzene
H	CXX	Organic compound
H	D2O	Heavy water
H	DXX	Deuterium compound
H	MTH	Methane
H	PFN	Paraffin
H	PHL	Phenyl
H	PLE	Polyethylene
H	TXX	Tritium compound
H	WTR	Water
H	PARA	Para Hydrogen
H	ORTHO	Ortho Hydrogen
H	D_PARA	Para Deuterium
H	D_ORTHO	Ortho Deuterium
H	ZRH	H in ZrH
H	CAH2	H in CaH <sub>2</sub>
Be	METAL	Be metal
Be	BE2C	Be Carbide
Be	BEO	Be in BeO
C	GRA	Graphite
C	LQDMETH	Liquid Methane
C	SLDMETH	Solid Methane

N	AIR	Air
N	AMN	Ammonium compound
O	BEO	O in BeO
O	UO <sub>2</sub>	O in UO <sub>2</sub>
Mg	METAL	Mg metal
Al	METAL	Al metal
Ca	CAH2	Ca in CaH <sub>2</sub>
Fe	METAL	Fe metal
Zr	ALY	Zircalloy
Zr	HYD	Zirconium Hydride
Zr	ZRH	Zr in ZrH
U	UO2	U in UO <sub>2</sub>
Any	CMP	Any compound
Any	OXI	Any oxide

For most search criteria an OR query can be performed by separating the search terms with a comma (,) or a semicolon (;). For example, to perform a search on ENDF MT numbers 4, 16 and 17, enter "4,16-17" in the MT field. The "16-17" notation can be used to query a range of MT or MF numbers.

The resulting query performed by JANIS consists of a logical AND query of all criteria set. For example, to perform a search on ENDF MF number 3 and MT number 1, enter "3" in the MF field and "1" in the MT field. The results panel contains only MF=3 and MT=1 rows.

## 2. Actions panel

**Search:** launches the search once the required parameters for the different fields have been selected or entered.

**Open results:** after selecting a number of results lines, this button opens a "Renderer" window containing the data selected ready for plotting. Multiple lines are selected using the SHIFT and/or CTRL keys along with mouse clicks as usual. You can also double-click on results rows to open "Renderer" windows. Note that if you do not select any result rows then all will be opened in a Renderer window, a warning will be displayed if there are more than 100 result rows. This limit can be set in the "Search" tab of the Settings dialog.

**Save results:** save the results table as a text file (in CSV format, comma separated values), see chapter III.D.3

**Print:** print the results table

**Reset:** clear all criteria

**Close/Interrupt:** closes the search dialog box, when a search is in progress, this button is labelled "Interrupt" and can be used to stop the running query.

## 3. Results panel

The first line shows the number of matching rows.

The "Maximize" button allows viewing more result rows by masking the criteria panel.



- Datatype: first level of JANIS database, correspond to ENDF sublibrary (NSUB) (see Table 3) ;
- Libraries: data set ;
- MF: ENDF MF File number; See chapter X for complete list.
- MT: ENDF MT reaction number, common values are listed in Table 4. See chapter X for complete list.

MF and MT criteria enable you to search for ranges of values by separating the min from the max with a dash (-). A similar feature is available for the Z and A fields.

**Table 3: ENDF NSUB codes**

NSUB	IPART	ITYPE	Sub-library Names	Displayed by JANIS
0	0	0	Photo-Nuclear Data	Yes
1	0	1	Photo-Induced Fission Product Yields	No
3	0	3	Photo-Atomic Interaction Data	No
4	0	4	Radioactive Decay Data	Yes
5	0	5	Spontaneous Fission Product Yields	Yes
6	0	6	Atomic Relaxation Data	No
10	1	0	Incident-Neutron Data	Yes
11	1	1	Neutron-Induced Fission Product Yields	Yes
12	1	2	Thermal Neutron Scattering Data	No
113	11	3	Electro-Atomic Interaction Data	No
10010	1001	0	Incident-Proton Data	Yes
10011	1001	1	Proton-Induced Fission Product Yields	Yes
10020	1002	0	Incident-Deuteron Data	Yes
...				
20030	2003	0		Yes
20040	2004	0	Incident-Alpha data	Yes

**Table 4: Common ENDF MT Codes**

MT		Description
1	(n, total)	Neutron total cross sections
2	(z, z0)	Elastic scattering cross section for incident particles
18	(z, fission)	
102	(z, $\gamma$ )	Radiative capture
151	(n, RES)	Resonance parameters that can be used to calculate cross sections at different temperatures in the resolved and unresolved energy regions.
451	(z, ...)	Heading or title information; given in File 1 only
452	(z, ...)	Average total (prompt plus delayed) number of neutrons released per fission event

454	(Z, ...)	Independent fission product yield data
455	(Z, ...)	Average number of neutrons released per fission event
456	(Z, ...)	Average number of prompt neutrons released
457	(Z, ...)	Radioactive decay data
459	(Z, ...)	Cumulative product fission yield data

JANIS displays the following columns in the Results panel:

- Search : name of the database;
- Incident particle : datatype;
- Evaluation ;
- Material ;
- MF : see chapter X;
- MT : see chapter X.

### C. Experimental data (EXFOR) search

The EXFOR Search allows the user to perform a search through the experimental data (EXFOR). The data presently included in the EXFOR exchange file include:

- a “complete” compilation of experimental neutron-induced reaction data,
- a selected compilation of charged-particle-induced reaction data,
- a selected compilation of photon-induced reaction data.

The EXFOR database currently contains more than 145 000 reactions.

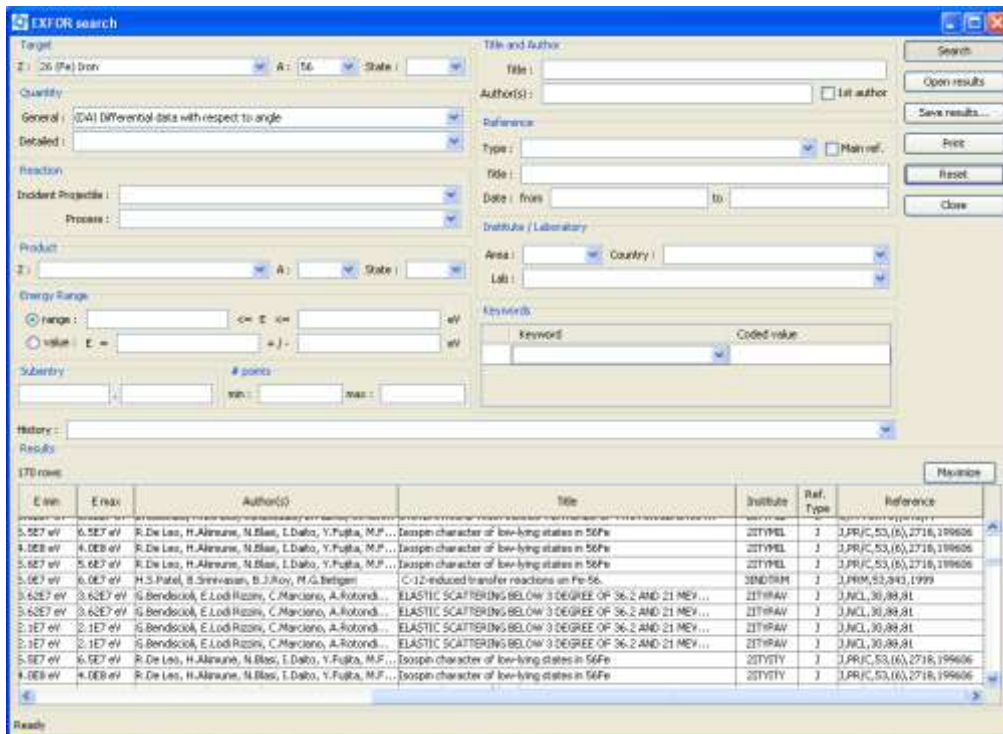


Figure 46: EXFOR search

The “target” material can be searched by Z, A (or ranges of Z, A) or State. It corresponds to the SF1 EXFOR reaction subfield. The “ELEM/MASS” special code is available in the Z drop down list. The compound codes are available in the A drop down list.

The quantity criterion enables the user to select between general or detailed quantities. The "General" drop down list refers to dictionary 113 of the DANIEL system. It can be used to filter out many detailed quantities. The "Detailed" field consists of four subfields of the reaction field: SF5, SF6, SF7, and SF8 and is displayed in the detailed drop down list. As the detailed quantity contains a comma (,) use a semicolon (;) when you need to search on multiple detailed quantities.

The reaction criterion consists of the incident projectile (SF2 subfield) and the process (SF3 subfield).

The "product" material can be searched by Z, A (or ranges of Z, A) or State. It corresponds to the EXFOR SF4 subfield. Special codes are available in the Z drop-down list whereas compound codes are available in the A drop-down list.

The energy range is expressed in eV. It can be searched by range or by value with an uncertainty if needed.

EXFOR subentries are identified by accession and subaccession numbers. These can be searched with the "Subentry" panel. Accession numbers are five alphanumeric characters, subaccession numbers are integers between 1 and 999. As the subentry number 1 (001) is common, a search with it is not authorized as this would not be meaningful. Nevertheless, you can enter a range of subaccession numbers for example 2-5.

The number of point parameter enables the user to find works that have corresponding data tables.

The title and author can be freely queried. To restrict the search to only First author, check the "1<sup>st</sup> author" checkbox.

The reference parameter enables the user to set the reference type, title and publication date of the reference. When the "Main ref." checkbox is checked, only main references (first occurrence of the REFERENCE keyword in file) are searched. The reference date format is YYYYMMDD with month (MM) and day of month (DD) being optional. Nevertheless, the "from" date must be less than the "to" date so you should add zeroes to meet this constraint.

The "institute/laboratory" criterion refers to the INSTITUTE keyword.

Finally, you can search on most coded EXFOR keywords:

- ADDITIONAL RESULTS (ADD-RES keyword);
- ANALYSIS ;
- DETECTOR ;
- EXPERIMENT YEAR (EXP-YEAR keyword);
- FACILITY ;
- INC.PART.SOURCE (INC-SOURCE keyword);
- METHOD ;
- PARTICLE DETECTED (PART-DET keyword);
- RESULT.

Click in the last blank row of the table to choose a keyword from the Keyword drop down list. You can then choose a coded value or leave it blank to search on keyword presence only. To remove a coded keyword from your search, simply click on "X" button in the first column of the table.

JANIS displays the following columns in the results panel:

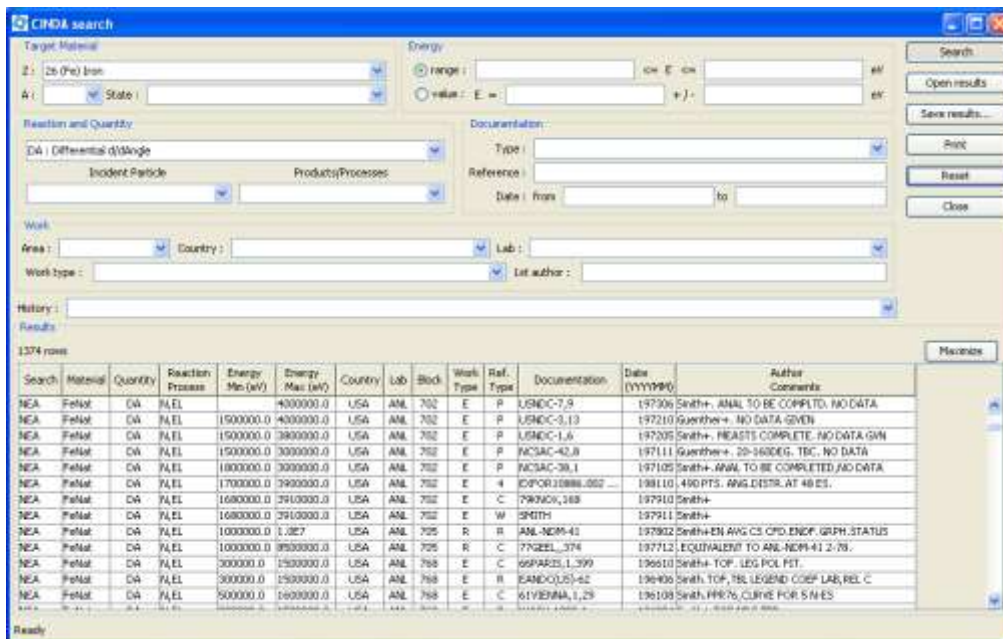
- Search : name of the database ;

- Subentry : accession number on five character, a dot, and subaccession number right aligned on three digits ;
- Target ;
- Product ;
- Reaction ;
- Q : the General quantity ;
- Q : the Detailed quantity ;
- #points ;
- E min ;
- E max ;
- Author(s) : the author(s) truncated to 50 characters ;
- Title : the title truncated to 50 characters ;
- Institute ;
- Ref. Type ;
- Reference.

Known limitations: at the time being, it is not possible to search specifically for reaction combinations and/or reference combinations.

## **D. Bibliographical (CINDA) search**

The CINDA Search allows the user to perform a search of the bibliographic database CINDA (Comprehensive Index of Neutron Data). The CINDA database contains single-line bibliographic information on neutron-induced reaction data, as well as some data on spontaneous and gamma-ray-induced reactions. It also includes many theoretical and evaluation references. Direct links are provided to the collated experimental data in EXFOR. Where possible links are also provided to the original papers/abstracts where these have been made available on the World Wide Web by the original publishers. To access these documents, the value displayed in the reference column should be displayed in blue. Then, click on this cell to launch your browser which will open the corresponding web site. Note that most publications require access rights to be able to view them. The CINDA database currently contains more than 420 000 entries.



**Figure 47: CINDA search**

The target material can be searched by Z, A (or ranges of Z, A) or State.

The "Reaction and Quantity" panel contains a drop-down list of coded quantity values plus the lookup values of incident particles and products/processes.

The energy range enables to restrict search to a given range specified by min and max limits or energy and an error value.

The Documentation panel offers the possibility to search by publication type and date.

Finally, the Work panel contains the laboratory criteria editor. The "work type" drop-down lists all kind of works contained in the database. The "1st author" criterion searches in the CINDA comment field.

JANIS displays the following columns in the results panel:

- Search : name of the database
- Material : the target
- Quantity :
- Reaction Process
- Energy Min (eV): special codes (COLD, FAST, FISS, MAXW, NDG, PILE, SPON, TH, and TR) can be displayed as well as numerical values.
- Energy Max (eV): special codes (FAST, FISS, MAXW, PILE, UP) can be displayed.
- Country : the three letter code of the country
- Lab : the three letter code of the laboratory
- Block : a five digit internal code
- Work Type :
- Ref. Type : publication type
- Documentation : publication title
- Date (YYYYMM) : publication date
- Author Comments : author name followed by comments

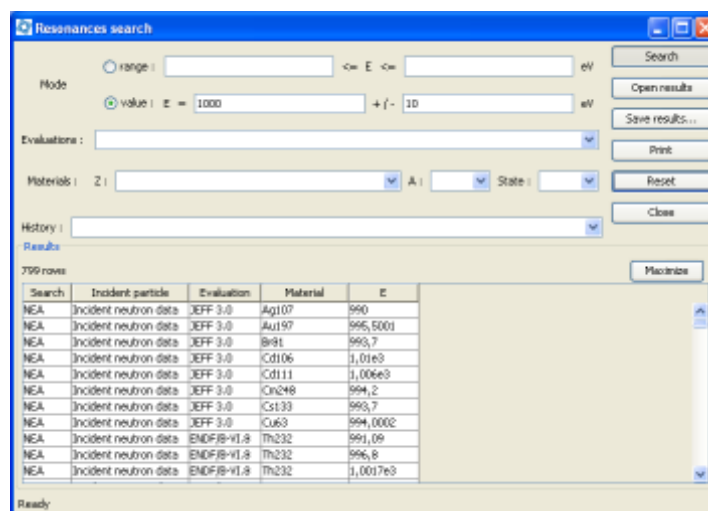


**Table 5: CINDA energy codes**

Energy code	Energy equivalent	Signification
COLD	0.001 eV	Subthermal neutron spectrum
FAST	0.5 MeV	A Fast-reactor spectrum
FISS	1 MeV	An unmoderated fission neutron spectrum
MAXW	0.025 eV	Maxwellian neutron spectrum at a temperature of 293°K or reactor temperature
NDG	N/A	No data given
PILE	0.05 eV	A reactor spectrum with a non-Maxwellian energy distribution.
SPON	0 (zero)	Spontaneous fission
TR	0.5 to 5 MeV	Threshold Energy
TR UP	0.5 to 10 MeV	if no upper limit is specified above the threshold

## E. Resonances search

The Resonances Search allows finding nuclides which contain neutron-induced cross-section resonances in a specified energy range. The tool can help the detection of the contribution from specific nuclides (e.g. impurities) when analyzing experimental data. The search is made through the processing of resonance parameters given in the original ENDF data (File 2).



**Figure 48: Resonances search**

Note that if a nuclide is described in the evaluation using pointwise cross-sections without resonance parameters, its resonance structure will not be found through this search tool. For example  $^{16}\text{O}$  in JEFF3-1 evaluation are stored in ENDF file 3 and thus is not found with this tool.

The Mode criterion enables to restrict search to a given energy range specified by min and max limits or energy and an error value.

The Evaluations drop-down list contains all libraries.

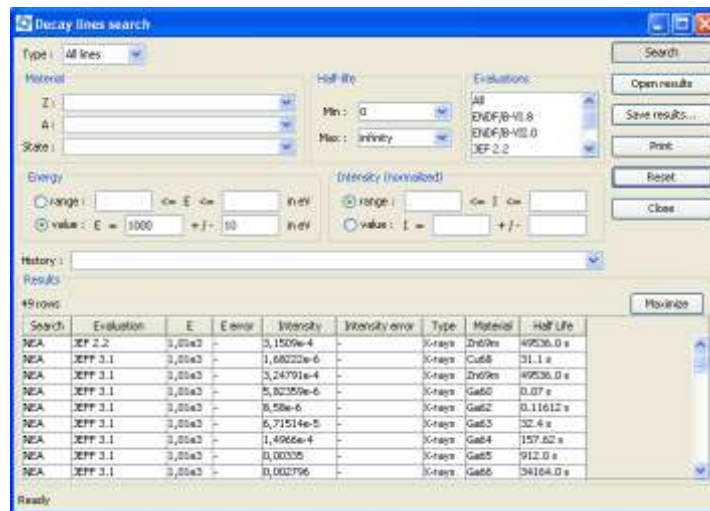
The material can be searched by Z, A (or ranges of Z, A) or State.

JANIS displays the following columns in the Results panel:

- Search : name of the database
- Incident particle
- Evaluation
- Material
- E : resonance energy in eV

## F. Decay lines search

The Decay Lines Search allows searching for radioactive nuclides which satisfy specified decay and spectral properties. The search can be done by specifying the half-life range and/or the energies and intensities for alpha and photon lines. You can restrict the search to a specific type of line by selecting a value in the "Type" drop-down list. Likewise, you can restrict the search to specific evaluations by selecting library(ies) from the evaluation list. Hold down the CTRL key to select multiple items.



**Figure 49: Decay lines search**

The type drop-down list enables to select alpha, photon or all decay lines.

The Material can be searched by Z, A (or ranges of Z, A) or State.

The Half-life criterion enables to restrict the half-life. The drop-down lists contain predefined values and you can enter a custom value e.g. 0.5 day.

The Evaluations criterion lists all evaluations contained in the database(s). Multiple selection is possible by holding the CTRL key.

The Energy criterion enables to restrict search to a given range specified by min and max limits or energy and an error value.

The Intensity criterion enables to restrict search to a given intensity range specified by min and max limits or an intensity and an error value.

JANIS displays the following columns in the Results panel:

- Search: name of the database
- Evaluation
- E: energy in eV
- E error: absolutely normalized value
- Intensity

- Intensity error: absolutely normalized value
- Type : gamma or X-rays
- Material
- Half-life: expressed in seconds (s).

# VI. Computations and weighting

## A. Computation dialog

The computation dialog, accessible from menu "Tools > Computations" in Renderer window, or in Selection Tree popup menu (see chapter III.B.2) allows simple arithmetic operations to be performed with data.

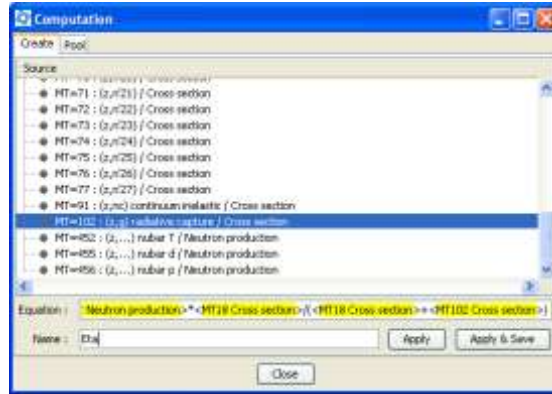


Figure 50: Computation dialog

This dialog is composed of two tabs:

- **Create:** this panel allows the definition of a new computation; equation should be typed in the corresponding field and operands should be selected by double-clicking on nodes of the Source tree. The Name field allows giving a label to the equation created; this label will be shown in Renderer selection tree and on plots or tables. Finally the button Apply will execute the equation while the button Apply & Save will execute it and store it in the equation pool managed with the second tab. The equation pool allows quick reuse of defined equations for other data anytime later.
- **Pool:** this panel shows stored equations; equations can be deleted by selecting them in the table.

### 1. Definition of new computations

To explain this functionality, we will compute  $\eta$  (eta) as the ratio of neutron production cross-section ( $\nu$  bar times fission cross-section) and absorption cross-section (fission plus capture), applied to  $^{239}\text{Pu}$  from JEFF 3.1.

1. Connect to the NEA remote database
2. Unfold the NEA node, then the "Incident neutron data" node, then the "JEFF 3.1" node. Click on the "Cross section" node.
3. Open the Goto dialog available in the menu "Chart > Goto..."
4. Enter "Pu" in the symbol field and 239 in the A field. Press ENTER to centre the Chart of Nuclides on  $^{239}\text{Pu}$ .
5. Double click on the nuclide to open the Renderer window.
6. Open Computation dialog by selecting menu "Tools > Computations"
7. Double click on "MT=452 : (z,...) nubar T / Neutron production" in Source tree. This will insert operand "<Neutron production>" in Equation field.
8. Append "\*" on the right of this operand in the Equation field

9. Double click on "MT=18 : (z,fission) total fission / Cross section" in Source tree. This will insert the second operand and the Equation field should now contain "<MT452 Neutron production>\*<MT18 Cross section>"
10. Append "/" on the right of this last operand in the Equation field
11. Double click again on "MT=18 : (z,fission) total fission / Cross section" in Source tree. Now the Equation field should contains "<MT452 Neutron production>\*<MT18 Cross section>/(<MT18 Cross section>"
12. Append "+" on the right in the Equation field
13. Double click on "MT=102 : (z,g) radiative capture / Cross section" Now the Equation field should contains "<MT452 Neutron production>\*<MT18 Cross section>/(<MT18 Cross section>+<MT102 Cross section>"
14. Append ")" on the right
15. Enter "Eta" in the Name field. If this name is already used, the message "Please choose another name" is displayed.
16. Execute the equation with button Apply; the dialog is not dismissed but a node named "Eta" should appear in Selection Tree of Renderer window, as a child of the initially present node "MT=18 : (z,fission) total fission"

The result can now be plotted.

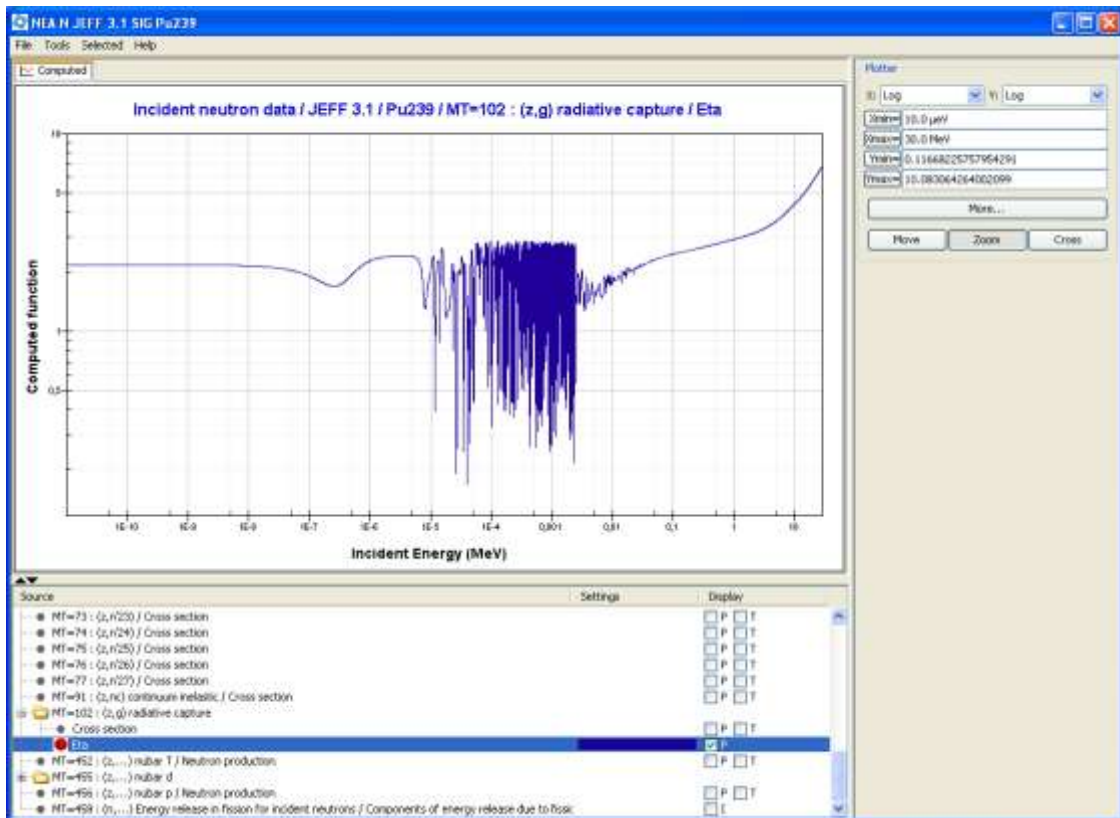


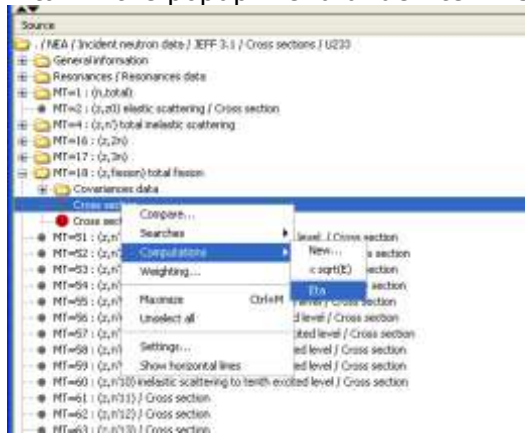
Figure 51: JEFF 3.1 <sup>239</sup>Pu eta

## 2. Reusing computations

The "Save" button enables the operation to be saved for further use. For example, the equation for eta can be established for one fissile nuclide (say <sup>235</sup>U) and applied for another fissile nuclide (e.g. <sup>239</sup>Pu) or a different evaluation file.

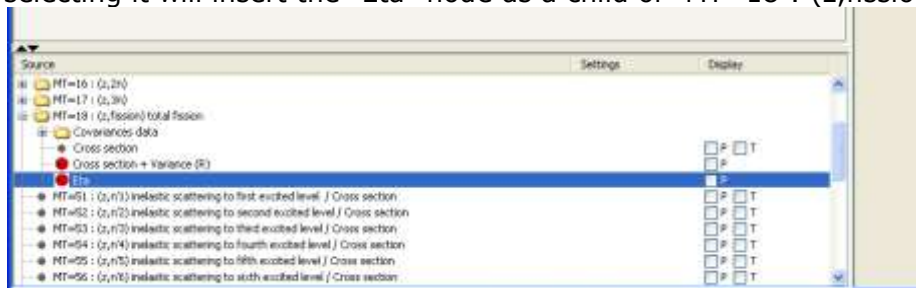
Here the aim is to define eta and save this definition for easy application to other nuclides.

1. Follow all points described in previous chapter except the final one.
2. Instead of clicking the "Apply" button click the "Apply & Save"; a dialog will appear asking you to choose a node as parent for the computation result.
3. The result node will also appear in Selection Tree of Renderer window, as a child of the node you selected in previous step.
4. Now open another Renderer window (by returning to Browser window) on another fissile isotope, e.g.  $^{233}\text{U}$ .
5. If you right click on "MT=18 : (z,fission) total fission / Cross section" you will see "Eta" in the popup menu under item "Computations...",



**Figure 52: Computations submenu with Eta entry**

6. selecting it will insert the "Eta" node as a child of "MT=18 : (z,fission) total fission"



**Figure 53: Eta node in Selection Tree**

Note that if you right click on another cross section, e.g. "MT=2 : (z,z0) elastic scattering" you will also obtain an "Eta" node but the computation performed in this case will be  $\text{MT}452 * \text{MT}2 / (\text{MT}2 + \text{MT}102)$

Another illustration of the importance of choosing the right parent node can be found in chapter VII.C.

## B. Weighting of cross sections

JANIS offers various options for cross section averaging. Right clicking on a selected cross section in the Selection Tree, or using Menu "Tools > Weighting..." or "Selected > Weighting..." shows the Weighting dialog



**Figure 54: Weighting dialog**

This dialog contains three tabs:

- **Selection:** this tab allows selecting other cross sections to be averaged with the same parameters, use the checkboxes for this purpose. When you right click on a node in the Selection Tree to open this dialog, it is checked in this tab.
- **Group:** this tab allows defining the group structure to be used
- **Spectrum:** this tab allows definition of a weighting spectrum

The averaged cross-sections are calculated using the following definition:

$$\sigma^g = \frac{\int \sigma(E) \chi(E) dE}{\int \chi(E) dE}$$

where g is an energy interval and  $\chi(E)$  is the spectrum.

## 1. Group structure

Two options are available:

- **Uniform in log**
- **File defined:** allows the user to enter a multi-group energy structure defined in a text file.

### a) Uniform in log

Specify the minimum and maximum energy limits and the number of groups per decade.

### b) File defined

The user needs to specify the location of a file (extension .gst for instance) where the first line is of the form:

```
neutron group structure.....an1 27 group
```

The string "an1 27 group" located after six dots will be used to identify the group structure.

The remaining lines of the file have the following format:

```
Ng Emin Emax
```

Ng is an integer group number (not used by JANIS) and Emin and Emax are the energy limits of the groups.

Examples of group structures are available in the directory "groups" of the JANIS DVD. In a group file, the lines should be sorted either in ascending or descending order.

## 2. Spectrum

The third tab of the "Weighting" dialog box enables the definition of the weighting flux spectrum.

The available options are:

- "Constant spectrum": The constant is to be specified by the user.
- "XY spectrum": user specified flux function.
- "PWR spectrum": details are given below.
- "General spectrum": details are given below.

### a) XY spectrum

This option allows the user to use a hyperfine flux structure to take into account effects such as self-shielding. For instance, the flux can result from a hyperfine slowing down calculation. The user needs to specify the location of a text file containing the weighting flux definition  $f(E)$ . Each line of this file contains a value of  $E_i$  and  $f_i$  separated by blank(s).

A continuous weighting function  $f(E)$  is constructed by assuming a linear-linear interpolation between successive values of  $(E_i, f_i)$ . Note that no blank lines are allowed after the last  $(E_i, f_i)$  values.

### b) PWR spectrum and General spectrum

The "PWR spectrum" and "General spectrum" are defined using the following components:

- A Maxwellian spectrum used at thermal energies: Where  $\theta_{th} = k \cdot T$  is the thermal energy to be specified in eV

$$(1) \chi(E) = C_1 \cdot E \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E}{\theta_{th}}\right)$$

- A slowing-down component defined as:

$$(2) \chi(E) = \frac{C_2}{E}$$

- A fission spectrum characterized by  $\theta_{fis}$  the fission temperature in eV:

$$(3) \chi(E) = C_3 \cdot \sqrt{E} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E}{\theta_{fis}}\right)$$

- A fusion component of the neutron spectrum as in the  $d(T, {}^4\text{He})n$  reaction characterised by a fusion energy and a fusion temperature, both to be defined in eV:

$$(4) \chi(E) = C_4 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{0.5}{\theta_{fus}} \left(\sqrt{E} - \sqrt{E_{fus}}\right)^2\right)$$

The "PWR spectrum" uses components (1), (2) and (3) as given in the following formula:



$$\chi(E) = \begin{cases} C_1 \cdot E \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E}{\theta_{th}}\right) & \text{for } E \leq E_{max,th} \\ \frac{C_2}{E} & \text{for } E_{max,th} < E \leq E_{max,epi} \\ C_3 \cdot \sqrt{E} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E}{\theta_{fis}}\right) & \text{for } E > E_{max,epi} \end{cases}$$

This is equivalent to IWT=4 in NJOY.

The user needs to specify the following energy limits:

- $E_{max,th}$  where components (1) and (2) join.
- $E_{max,epi}$  where components (2) and (3) join.

C2 the constant value of the slowing-down component, is set to 1. C1 and C3 are calculated by the continuity conditions at  $E_{max,th}$  and  $E_{max,epi}$  :

$$C_1 = \frac{1}{E_{max,th}^2 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E_{max,th}}{\theta_{th}}\right)} \quad \text{and} \quad C_3 = \frac{1}{E_{max,epi}^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E_{max,epi}}{\theta_{fis}}\right)}$$

The "**General spectrum**" uses all the components as given in the following formula:

$$\chi(E) = \begin{cases} C_1 \cdot E \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E}{\theta_{th}}\right) & \text{for } E \leq E_{max,th} \\ \frac{C_2}{E} & \text{for } E_{max,th} < E \leq E_{max,epi} \\ C_3 \cdot \sqrt{E} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{E}{\theta_{fis}}\right) + C_4 \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{0.5}{\theta_{fus}}(\sqrt{E} - \sqrt{E_{fus}})^2\right) & \text{for } E > E_{max,epi} \end{cases}$$

This is equivalent to IWT=6 in NJOY.

The following energy limits need to be specified:

- $E_{max,th}$  where components (1) and (2) join.
- $E_{max,epi}$  where components (2) and (3) join.
- $E_{max,fis}$  where components (3) and (4) are equal.

C1 the constant value of the Maxwellian spectrum is set to 1. C2 and C3 are calculated by the continuity conditions at  $E_{max,th}$  and  $E_{max,epi}$  and C4, the constant value of the fusion spectrum is calculated such that spectra (3) and (4) are equal at  $E_{max,fis}$ . Components (3) and (4) are added for  $E > E_{max,epi}$ .

## **VII. JANIS features through examples**

### **A. Comparing data**

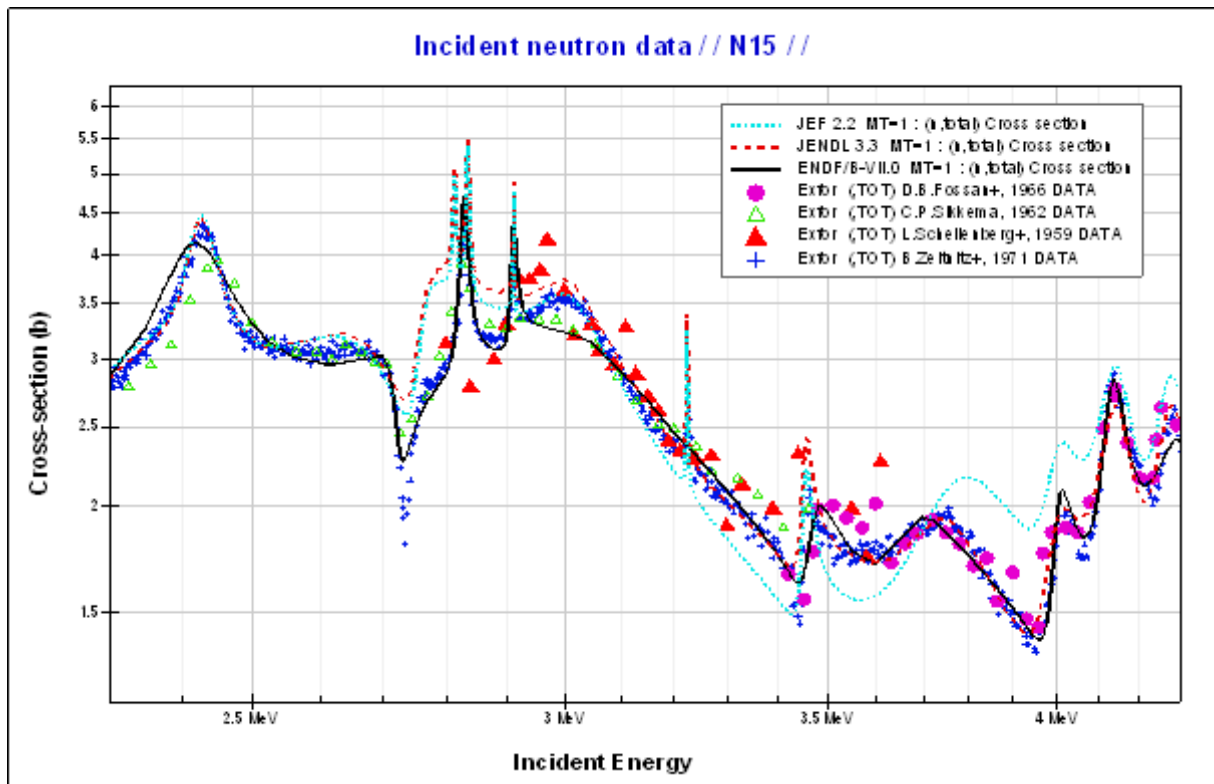
#### **1. Manually comparing evaluated data against experimental data**

Let's examine this feature with this example: we want to compare evaluated and experimental data for the  $^{15}\text{N}$  total cross section.

1. In the "Database panel", unfold the NEA database (If the NEA database is not connected, right-click on the NEA node and select the "Connect" menu)
2. then unfold the "Interaction neutron data" node, the ENDFB-VII.0 library node and finally select the "Cross sections" node
3. Open the "Goto..." dialog by hitting CTRL+G, enter N as the symbol, 15 as A value, validate. This will centre the Chart of Nuclides on this isotope and select it
4. Double click on the highlight cell to display the Renderer window
5. In the "Selection Tree", select the "MT=1 : (n,total) / Cross Section" node
6. Plot it by checking P in display column
7. Zoom by entering 2.3 MeV as  $x_{\min}$ , 4.3 MeV as  $x_{\max}$  in the Plotter Parameter panel (Y range will adapt automatically if it was never updated manually)
8. To compare this evaluated data with experimental data stored in EXFOR, right click on the node in the Selection Tree to show the popup menu
9. Select "Searches > EXFOR" item
10. The JANIS EXFOR Search dialog appears with the following criteria set: target Z (7), A (15) and State (0), general Quantity (CS), incident projectile (N) and reaction process (TOT). This search query is automatically launched.
11. Select all result rows and press the "Open results" button (note that pressing directly this button will do the same because all results rows are opened when there is no selection)
12. Return to the Renderer window, you can keep or close EXFOR Search dialog
13. An EXFOR node was added to the Selection Tree, expand it to see the subworks
14. Select all subworks data and check the P checkbox to display the experimental points in front of the evaluated curve.
15. Note that last added plots are drawn over the initial ENDF/B.VII curve, and EXFOR error bars are drawn.
16. To remove error bars, click on each colour button in Settings column to bring the Plot Parameter dialog, uncheck show X/Y error bars (checkboxes)
17. To modify plots ordering, click More... button in Plotter Parameter panel to open the Plotter Advanced Parameters dialog.
18. Select the Plots tab, select last item (NEA N ENDF/B-VII.0 SIG N15 MT1 Cross Section) and press Move Top. This will bring back the ENDF/B-VII.0 curve in front of the others
19. Now we will add JEF 2.2 and JENDL 3.3 on this plot
20. In the "Selection Tree", re-select the "MT=1 : (n,total) / Cross Section" node

21. right click on the node in the Selection Tree to show the popup menu and select "Searches > ENDF" item
22. The JANIS ENDF Search dialog appears with the following criteria set: target Z (7), A (15) and State (0), MF (9,10,3,33) and MT (1). This search query is automatically launched.
23. Select JEF 2.2 and JENDL 3.3 rows and press the "Open results" button
24. Return to the Renderer window, you can keep or dismiss ENDF Search dialog
25. Two nodes were appended to the Selection Tree
26. Select the two nodes and check the P checkbox

By further adjusting line/plot mark style and colour, you can obtain this plot:



**Figure 55: comparing data**

## 2. Using "Compare with Evaluated data" tool

This menu allows automatically retrieving the same data present in other evaluated libraries from the database(s).

Note that this menu is not functional when accessed from the "Tools" menu as it requires a selection. Thus, you should activate this menu through the "Selected" menu.

Once in the Selection Tree, right click the data you want to compare and select the menu "Compare with Evaluated data".

Once the data have been found in evaluated libraries, JANIS displays a new node in the Selection Tree containing all results. The new nodes appear below the parent's selection node in alphabetical order.

Note that you can also use this menu to compare evaluated data coming from different libraries and/or library versions.

For example, follow these steps to compare the work of Zeitnitz (1972) against evaluated data.

1. Select "Search > EXFOR" menu.
2. The JANIS EXFOR Search dialog appears.
3. Enter N in the target Z field, 15 in the A field, N in the Incident projectile field and ,TOT in the Process field.
4. Press the Search button.
5. Double-click on the row containing B.Zeitnitz as the first author.
6. In the "Selection Tree", select the "DATA" node
7. Plot it by checking P in display column
8. To compare this experimental data with evaluated data, right click on the node in the Selection Tree to show the popup menu
9. Select "Compare with Evaluated data" item
10. JANIS searches in its databases corresponding evaluated data
11. New nodes appear below the DATA node
12. Check the JEFF-3.1.1 node for example to compare with JEFF-3.1.1 evaluation

## B. Searching data

Let's examine this feature by searching works in the CINDA database, for example suppose we want to retrieve all works made in international laboratories from the period 1957 to 1960 concerning cross sections published in journals.

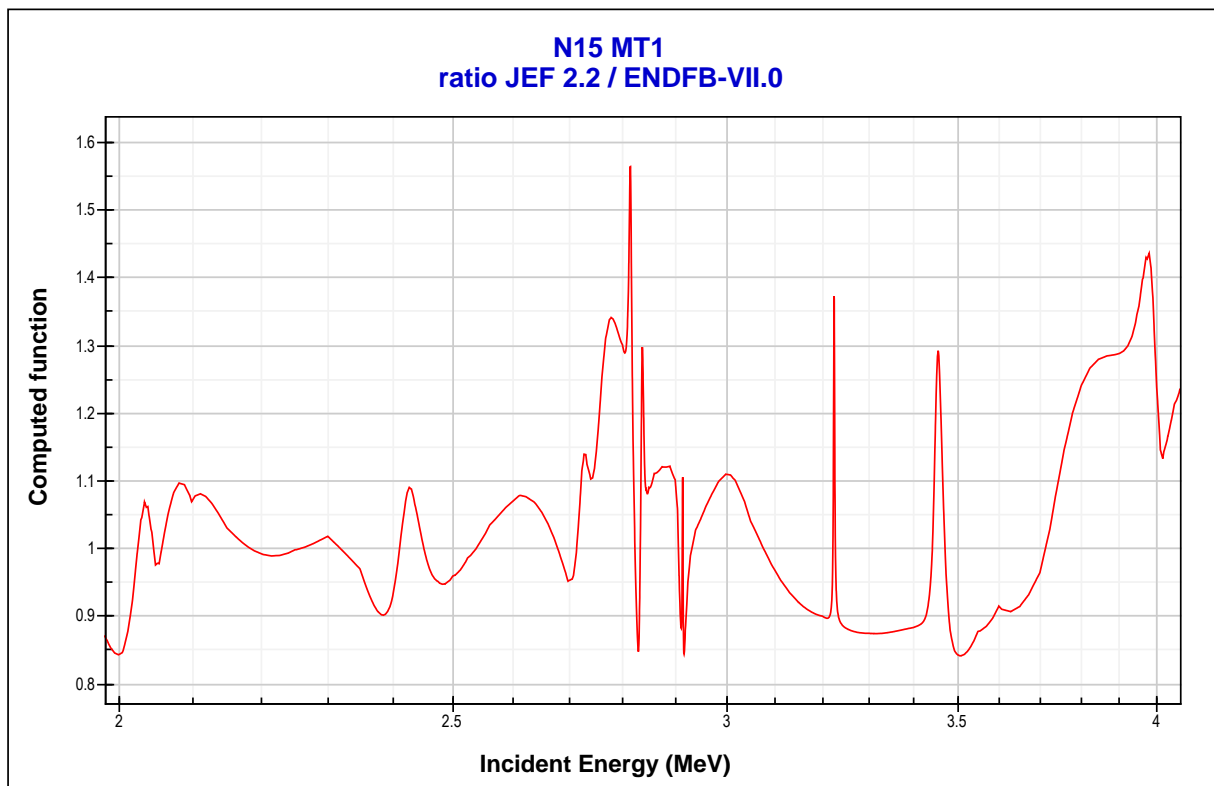
1. Type CS in the quantity field and press the TAB key. Notice that this field now displays "CS : Cross Section".
2. In the reference panel, enter J in the "Type" drop-down list. Press the TAB key. This field now displays "(J) Journal". Notice that the "Reference" drop-down list now contains only journals. Enter 1950 in the "from" field and 1960 in the "to" field of the Date.
3. In the "Work" panel, unroll the Country drop-down to select "INTERNATIONAL (ZZZ)" entry.
4. Press the "Search" button
5. The results panel displays all corresponding works
6. The documentation column contains some cells in blue. Click on one of them. Your default browser should open the journal's web page.
7. You can also save the results to a CSV file by clicking on the "Save results..." button. In the file dialog, enter a name and press the "Save" button.

## C. Computing the ratio between two evaluations

Let's examine this feature by displaying the ratio between the  $^{15}\text{N}$  cross section in JEF 2.2 and ENDF-B/VII.0:

1. Connect to the NEA remote database
2. Unfold the NEA folder, then the "Incident neutron data" node, then the "JEF 2.2" node.
3. Select the "Cross sections" node
4. Press CTRL+G keys to pop up the Goto dialog, enter N in the symbol field, 15 in the A field, validate.

5. Once  $^{15}\text{N}$  is selected in the Chart of Nuclides double-click on it to display the Renderer window
6. In the Selection Tree check the P checkbox for the "MT=1 : (n,total) / Cross section" node, the cross section is displayed.
7. Right click on "MT=1" node to select the "Searches > ENDF" menu. This will open and launch an ENDF search.
8. In the Search dialog, select lines containing ENDF/B-VII.0, JEFF 3.1 and JENDL 3.3. Press "Open results" button to add these data in the Selection Tree.
9. Return to the Renderer window (you can close ENDF search dialog). In Tools menu, select the "Computations ..." menu.
10. Double click on the JEF 2.2 MT=1 node. This will insert operand "<Cross section>" in Equation field.
11. Append "/" on the right of this operand in the Equation field.
12. Double click on ENDF/B-VII.0 "MT = 1 : (n,total) / Cross section" in Source tree. This will insert operand "<ENDF/B-VII.0>" in Equation field. Note that the first operand has been renamed to "<JEF 2.2>"
13. Enter "/ EB7" in Name field.
14. Press "Apply & Save" button.
15. In "Anchor node" dialog, select JEF 2.2 item and validate.
16. A node named "/ EB7" will appear as a child of the "MT=1 : (n,total) Cross section" node.
17. Check the "P" checkbox of the "/ EB7" node to plot the computed ratio.

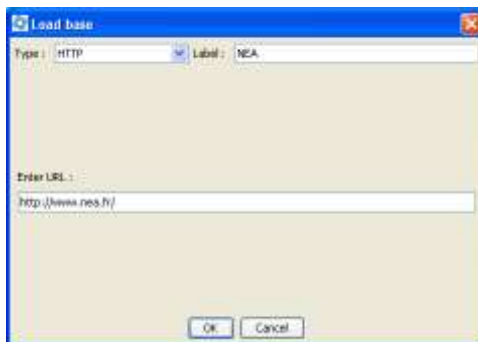


**Figure 56: CS  $^{15}\text{N}$  ratio ENDF/B-VII.0 JEF 2.2**

## VIII. JANIS databases

### A. Database Load dialog

Menu Database > Load of browser, item Load of Database Tree popup menu or menu Load base... of Compare Explorer dialog gives you access to the Database Load dialog.



**Figure 57: Database Load dialog**

The drop down Type allows choosing between the different types of JANIS database:

- **HTTP:** remote connection using HTTP protocol, only used by the NEA remote database for now ;
- **JDBC:** database which uses a relational database indexing nuclear data files, the type of base used on the JANIS DVD ;
- **CINDA:** internal use only ;
- **Serialized:** database which stores nuclear data in a proprietary format, used by JANIS legacy versions before 2.0. Contrary to SQL databases, this format is not compatible within each release of JANIS thus it should not be used anymore.

### B. Connecting to NEA remote database

To connect to the NEA remote database:

1. Select Load in Browser menu Database
2. Select "HTTP" in drop down Type
3. Enter "NEA" (or anything else) in field Name
4. Enter <http://www.oecd-nea.org/> in "Enter URL" field (do not forget the trailing slash [/])
5. Validate

You should see a new node in the Database Tree labelled NEA with a green check below it (connected state). If this is not the case, refer to chapter IX.D.2.a) for troubleshooting tips.

### C. Viewing data directly from a file

Menu "File > Open" can be used to view the data contained in a file without creating a JANIS database. A "File open" dialog is shown, enabling selection of the file from the appropriate location on the disk. The data contained in the original file will then be interpreted by JANIS in accordance with the selected format and converted to a Serialized database and stored in the user's temporary directory. This database will be deleted upon exiting JANIS. The imported file will not show in the Database Tree. Only a Renderer window with the corresponding materials will be shown.

Note that you can safely remove folders named jani'sXXX present in you home directory (C:\Documents and Settings\USERNAME\Local Settings\Temp under Windows) when JANIS is not running. These folders contain temporary data that will be deleted upon JANIS exiting but in case you kill the application they will accumulate here.

## D. Creating a personal database

### 1. Import wizard dialog

Menu "Database > Import wizard..." displays a wizard dialog to import nuclear data files into a JANIS database. A "wizard" dialog is made of several pages that can be navigated back and forth with the buttons "< Back" and "Next >" located at the bottom of the dialog.



**Figure 58: Import Wizard dialog**

The wizard dialog can be used to import data into a new or an existing JANIS database. Note that the wizard can only import one format of data (ENDF, GENDF) in one library at a time. To create a database with several sources file formats proceed in several steps.



**Figure 59: Import Wizard source file(s) page**

In the second page, you selected data file(s) with the "Add files..." or directory(ies) with "Add directory...". Once you have selected files, they appear in the list box. You can use the buttons "Remove" to remove selected file(s) or directories or "Clear" to remove all file(s) or directories. To sum up, in this first screen, you should obtain a list of file(s) or directories each of the same format and of the same library. In the second page above, we have selected some HENDF files (format) contained in the JEFF\_31 folder (library). Do not forget to import a format and a library at a time.



**Figure 60: Import Wizard format page**

The third page presents a list of radio buttons to select the format of the data: ENDF, HENDF, GENDF, EXFOR, INTER or NUBASE. Simply check the corresponding one.

Here we keep the ENDF, HENDF option. Note that if you have selected files with multiple formats, you can go back and remove some files in order to have only one format for all your source file(s).



**Figure 61: Import Wizard library name page**

Note that you must import one library at a time. In the "Enter library name" field we have typed "JEFF 3.1" even if the folders are named JEFF\_31.



**Figure 62: Import Wizard existing/new database choice page**

The fifth page lets you choose between a new destination database and an existing one. If you want to import several libraries, you will answer "a new base" the first time and "an existing base" the subsequent times.





**Figure 63: Import Wizard database path page**

The sixth page sets the target directory in which the databases files will be stored. You must choose a directory where you have write access.



**Figure 64: Import Wizard "base root" page**

The seventh page enables you to give the "base root" directory of the new data. It is automatically filled by JANIS to the correct value for most users. As JANIS databases contain only pointers to data files locations, this "base root" must be set to the common directory of all data file(s). For example, in order to have access to each nuclear data file for the databases distributed on the JANIS DVD the "base root" is set to ". ./data". It is relative to the database path.



**Figure 65: Import Wizard database name page**

The eighth page asks for a new name for the database. This name is solely used for display in the "Database Tree" and is not stored in the database.

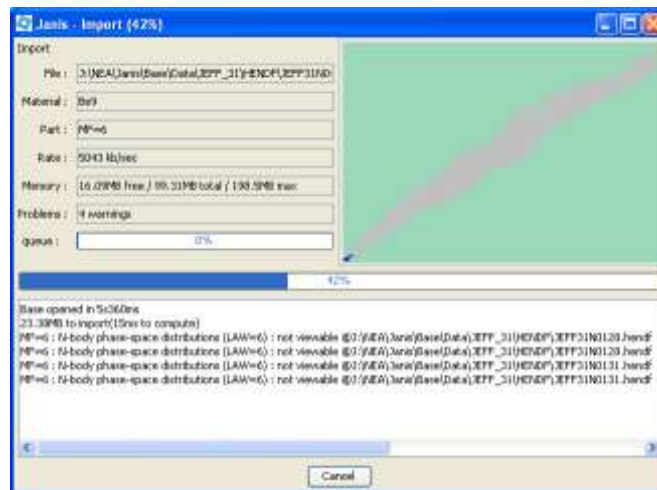


**Figure 66: Import Wizard parameters page**

The ninth page summarizes the parameters entered in the previous steps. Press Back if you need to modify a parameter, Finish to proceed, or Cancel to dismiss the dialog (no data will be imported).

Finally, the Import progress dialog is displayed.

## 2. Import progress dialog



**Figure 67: Import progress dialog**

During the "Import" operation this window shows the progress status including the file currently being imported, material, file, reaction and also a warning section where messages are printed. These warnings are stored in an XML file (named YYYY-MM-DD-hhh-mmm-sss.xml corresponding to the current date and time) stored in the database folder. A mini Chart of Nuclides gives a visual representation of progress. The XML log file provides complete information on all imported data: the list of errors and warnings and some statistics. This XML file can be displayed by a recent browser (Internet Explorer 7.0, Netscape 8.0, Firefox 3.0 ...) thanks to the importlog.xml stylesheet.

## 3. Import dialog

This dialog gives access to the same functionality as the Import Wizard dialog but with more possibilities of settings. Thus, it is much more complicated and you should consider using the Wizard if you are not confident with all these parameters.

To import data from input file(s) into a JANIS database, use the menu "Database > Import" or use the CTRL+I shortcut.



**Figure 68: Import dialog**

JANIS can import one or several nuclear data files at once. The "Browse..." button displays a file open dialog that accepts multiple file selection. In the bottom right, the "Format" drop down list should be set to the format of the data file(s). Be sure to import one kind of data at a time. Available format are:

- AUTO: automatically detects the format of the selected file(s)
- ENDF: includes the PENDF format and hybrid ENDF+PENDF,
- GENDF: groupwise format prepared by NJOY,
- EXFOR
- INTER: format prepared by INTER,
- NUBASE

The "Target" panel specifies the type of database to be created.

The "Type" drop-down list proposes the following type of database:

- DUMMY: used for testing the Import functionality, the
- JDBC: used to specify a Relational Database Management System that offers a JDBC compliant driver.
- Serialized: the legacy database format

jdbc:h2:C:/database/Janis/janis defines an H2 database named "Janis" located in the folder C:\database\janis. Note that the word Janis appears twice, first one is a folder name, second one is the database name. H2 will create a new database if there is no previous database of this name in the folder you specified.

We recommend you to use H2 or Oracle as the JDBC driver as they have been tested.

Database access can be protected by setting a username and a password if desired.

Finally, the "Root folder" setting is used to select the folder that will be the root of the database. You can enter either a relative or an absolute path. For example, JANIS is released with a database that contains ENDF, EXFOR and CINDA data. The corresponding input files are located in the DVD data folder. Hence the root folder is "../data" and with this setting, JANIS can find both ENDF and EXFOR source files when needed.

Note: if you have a multiprocessors computer JANIS uses 2 threads when the "single thread" option is left unchecked to speed up the import process.

## IX. Troubleshooting

### A. Bug report dialog

When a bug is encountered a Bug Report dialog will be shown.



Figure 69: Bug report dialog

This window contains information useful for developers and allows you to send an automatic Bug Report to them.

Clicking the button "Send bug report" will bring a dialog allowing you to enter your name, email address and free text:

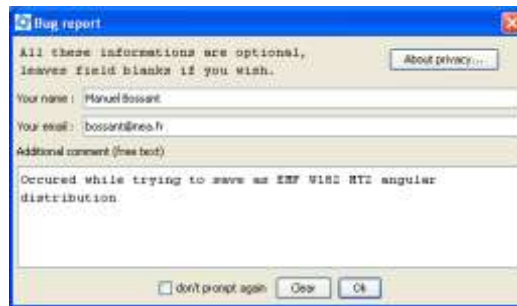


Figure 70: Bug report information

These fields are optional but consider giving your email address because many bug reports reveal a bad usage which can be easily solved with some advice. Your email address will not be used for another purpose.

You can also check the JANIS homepage to see if a new version is available.

The Bug report functionality can only detect a programming bug i.e. misuse of software API. If you notice another problem, e.g. wrong display of data, please report it by mail. Include the following information when submitting a manual bug report:

- Your environment (Operating System and Java version) ;
- JANIS version;

This information can be found in the "About" box (see chapter IX.E)

### B. Known problems

This table lists all known problems and the workaround:

Problem description	Workaround
You may notice that some figures are displayed with a comma and some others with a dot as the decimal separator	You can override your language settings to English-American, to do so you must provide the following command line options:

symbol. Likewise, you may notice that some dialogs display buttons label in your language settings.	-Duser.language=en -Duser.country=US Refer to <a href="http://java.sun.com/developer/technicalArticles/J2SE/locale/">java.sun.com/developer/technicalArticles/J2SE/locale/</a> for technical details.
The "plus" sign disappear from a database node.	You should double click on the database name to make it reappear.
JANIS displays strange characters instead of Greek symbol for example	This problem can stem from missing fonts. Try the following:  On Microsoft Windows, select Add/Remove programs in the Control Panel. Be sure that the optional feature "Additional Fonts and Media Support" is installed on the local hard drive. To check that all fonts are installed, browse to your java home directory and to the lib\fonts subdirectory. You should see more than one font file in this folder.

## C. Startup problems

### 1. Windows

To track down start up problem on Windows, follow these instructions.

First, determine if you have a suitable Java environment.

Open a command window (Start menu > Run...) then type cmd.

In the Command Prompt window, issue the `java -version` command. You should see a message like the following one:

```
C:\>java -version
java version "1.6.0_01"
Java(TM) SE Runtime Environment (build 1.6.0_01-b06)
Java HotSpot(TM) Client VM (build 1.6.0_01-b06, mixed mode, sharing)
```

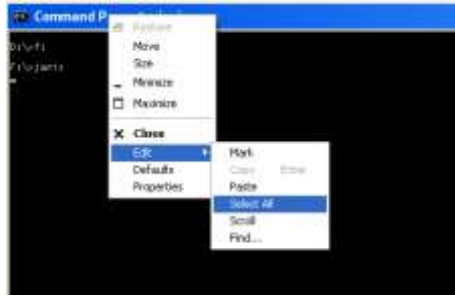
If not, it means that your computer does not have Java properly installed. Check also that the PATH environment variable is correctly set. Alternatively, Sun Microsystems offers a web page to verify your Java installation at [www.java.com/en/download/installed.jsp](http://www.java.com/en/download/installed.jsp).

You can download it from [www.java.com](http://www.java.com) or alternatively pick it from the DVD in the java folder. Note that you should use a JRE 1.4 as a minimum.

Once this is done, go to the JANIS folder and type the following command:

```
java -jar Janis.jar
```

To request further help, if there are error messages in the console, right click in the title bar, choose menu "Select all" then "Copy" and send the text in the clipboard to the JANIS developers as shown in the following figure.



**Figure 71: Command Prompt copy and paste**

## 2. Linux/Unix

To troubleshoot problem on Linux, follow these instructions.

First, make sure your Java installation is correct with the following command:

```
java -version
```

You may need to put the full path to your java executable in the `janis.sh` script and check that it has execution rights.

## D. Databases problems

### 1. Restore default databases

See chapter VIII for loading default databases. Here are the parameters to be used:

- NEA remote database: see chapter VIII.B
- Local database: it is the union of the ENDF, EXFOR and CINDA databases.

To restore the default EXFOR database, the nuclear data files are contained in the folder `data\EXFOR` at the root of the DVD. The parameters for the Database Load dialog are:

1. Type: JDBC
2. Name: LocalEXFOR for example
3. JDBC Driver: H2
4. JDBC URL: `jdbc:h2:path to database/exfor folder plus exfor as the database name`  
(original value: `jdbc:h2:../database/exfor/exfor`)
5. user: "sa" (without the quotes)
6. password: should be left blank
7. Root folder: relative path to the data folder regarding to the database folder as the database already contains the EXFOR folder (original value: `../data`)


The default ENDF database stores pointers to the nuclear data files contained in `data\` subfolders except the EXFOR folder. The parameters for the Database Load dialog are:

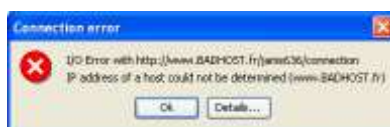
1. Type: JDBC
2. Name: LocalENDF for example
3. JDBC Driver: H2
4. JDBC URL: `jdbc:h2:path to database\janis folder plus Janis as the database name`  
(original value: `jdbc:h2:../database/janis/Janis`)
5. user: "sa" (without the quotes)
6. password: should be left blank

7. Root folder: relative path to the data folder regarding to the database folder as the database already contains the data subfolders names (original value: ../data)

The following procedures restore each database, if you want to obtain the union of the three databases you have to delete your JANIS settings (see chapter III.H).

## 2. Connection errors

When JANIS cannot connect to a database the Database Tree will display a node with the error icon  and this dialog:



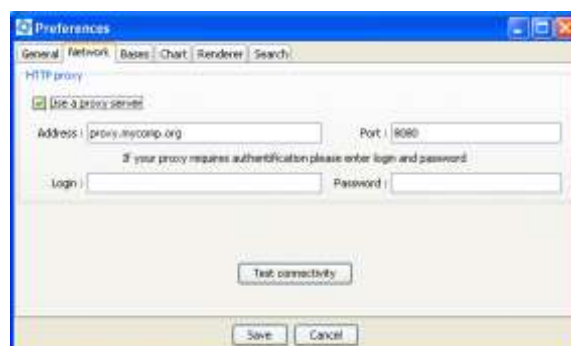
**Figure 72: Connection exception dialog**

The button "More..." gives access to the JANIS error handling system, the Bug Report dialog is detailed in chapter IX.A, even if most of the time the problem is not a bug but either a network problem or an usage problem.

Common causes are detailed below.

### a) Network problem

When encountering network problem the first thing to do is to check the Network tab options in the menu "File > Preferences..." Use the button "Check connectivity" to test your network settings.



**Figure 73: Network panel**

If you need to set up a proxy, enter corresponding information in this panel e.g. Proxy name or IP address, port number and username and password if necessary. How java environment uses proxy settings is described in the following document [www.java.com/en/download/help/5000020600.xml](http://www.java.com/en/download/help/5000020600.xml) (available at the time of this writing).

There may be some rare cases when the NEA database is not accessible due to technical problems in our computer infrastructure. Please check that the NEA home page is still available with your browser ([www.oecd-nea.org](http://www.oecd-nea.org)).

### b) Missing data file problem

This error can occur if you have moved data file(s) or you don't have access to them anymore due to access rights change or deletion of the file(s).

Check that you still have access to the data folder and that no file is missing.



### c) Relational database problem

Check that the username and password are correct.

Check that the JDBC URL (also known as JDBC connection string) is correct. The JDBC connection string depends on the backend database and should start with jdbc:.

For distributed database check if your network settings are correct (see chapter IX.D.2.a)).

If you use an embedded database as H2, take care to specify the right folder when trying to connect to an existing database. As these databases drivers will create blank new database if the JDBC URL is badly set, check that your URL is correct.

## E. Memory problems

OutOfMemory errors are usually reported by this kind of error dialog:

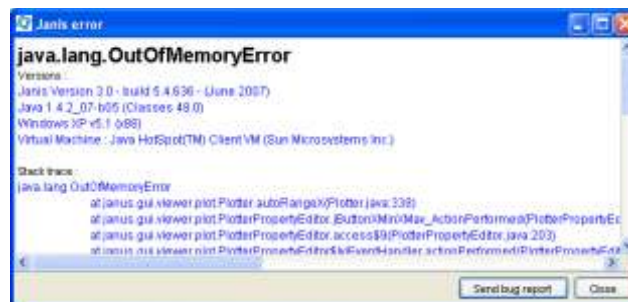


Figure 74: Out of memory error

But this may not always be the case as displaying the error dialog needs a little memory.

Java programs need to specify the maximum memory they can use. With a standard Sun JRE this setting must be set by command line (or in the BAT or SH file). To increase the memory limit used by JANIS the following option is set in the janis.bat file (or janis.sh for Linux):

```
start javaw -Djdbc.drivers=org.h2.Driver,com.mckoi.JDBCdriver -Xms100M -Xmx200M -jar Janis.jar
```

The option `-Xmx200M` specifies that JANIS will take at most 200Mbytes of memory. In case you have much more physical memory (e.g. 512Mbytes, 1Gbytes,...) you can edit this command line and replace the option `-Xmx200M` with `-Xmx400M` or anything else. For example to allow JANIS to use at most 512Mbytes of memory the Janis.bat file should be:

```
start javaw -Djdbc.drivers=org.h2.Driver,com.mckoi.JDBCdriver -Xms100M -Xmx512M -jar Janis.jar
```

You can check the maximum memory that JANIS can use in the About box:





### Figure 75: About box

You can also control the memory used by JANIS directly at the right of the status bar in the browser window or with the little tool found in Browser File menu:

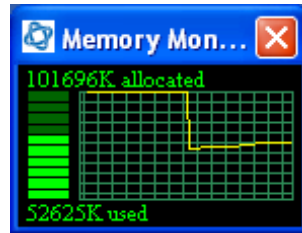


Figure 76: memory monitor

This graph shows the current memory usage and the current limit which can grow up to the maximum value specified by the `-xmx` option. The OutOfMemory situation occurs when the graph reaches the top.

## F. Speed problems

The following tips will positively affect execution speed:

- Copy the DVD on your hard drive instead of running from the DVD drive
- Connect to the NEA remote database instead of your local base (needs an Internet connection)
- For plots with thousands of points, consider not displaying error bars
- For plots with thousands of points, consider solid line style
- Cross section + variance data can take seconds if you plot them over their full range, consider zooming in first.

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