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Kraken workshop

Short overview of KrakenTools

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krakentools Python package

Collection of Python scripts, functionalities and definitions useful for the Kraken framework.

Examples:

- Producing water and fuel material definitions for Serpent.
- Producing material volumes for Serpent.
- Interacting with Serpent binary restarts.
- Regression testing.
- Radial reflector homogenization.
- Condensation of Serpent group constant data.

Producing water and fuel material definitions for Serpent

Producing water compositions for Serpent

krakentools.utils.write_water_composition()

krakentools.utils.write_p_t_water_composition()

krakentools.utils.write_saturated_water_composition()

Tests 01, 02, 14, 15.

Feed in basic data: (p, T, boron, ...)

pressure = 15e6 # Pa

temperature = 550 # K

boron = 1000 # ppm (weight)

Get Serpent material definition:

```
mat cool_1000B_76D -0.76978 tmp 550
                    moder lw550K 1001
                    rgb 200 200 255
```

```
O-16.03c 3.323385e-01
```

```
O-17.03c 1.265963e-04
```

```
80180    6.829536e-04
```

```
H-1.03c 6.662196e-01
```

```
H-2.03c 7.662406e-05
```

```
B-10.03c 1.105860e-04
```

```
B-11.03c 4.451225e-04
```

Producing fuel compositions for Serpent

```
krakentools.utils.write_fuel_composition()  
Krakentools/tests/17_fuel_composition/input.py
```

Feed in basic data: (density, enrichment, gadolinium, ...)

```
density = 10.2 # g/cm3  
wt_frac_U234 = 0.0002 # of U  
wt_frac_U235 = 0.04 # of U  
wt_frac_U236 = 0.0002 # of U  
wt_frac_Gd2O3 = 0.02 # of fuel density
```

Get Serpent material definition:

```
mat fuel_20U4_40U5_20U6_20GO -10.2 tmp 800  
92234.06c -1.727707e-04  
92235.06c -3.455413e-02  
92236.06c -1.727707e-04  
92238.06c -8.289537e-01  
8016.06c -1.187942e-01  
64152.06c -3.352815e-05  
64154.06c -3.702705e-04  
64155.06c -2.530124e-03  
64156.06c -3.522011e-03  
64157.06c -2.709997e-03  
64158.06c -4.328777e-03  
64160.06c -3.857778e-03
```

Producing material volumes for Serpent

krakentools.utils.process_material_volumes()

- Serpent needs information on the volumes of each depletion zone for burnup calculation.
- Depletion zone numbering may be hard to follow.
- Clever use of symmetries increases statistics, but means that some depletion zones can have 2, 4 or 8 times the base volume.
- Serpent can estimate volumes based on Monte Carlo sampling, but that leaves statistical uncertainties.

```
% --- Material volumes:
```

```
% Produced Wed Jul 17 10:40:00 2019 by MC volume calculation routine by  
% sampling 10000000 random points in the geometry.
```

```
set mvol
```

```
fuelNoGad    35 1.98263E+00 % (0.005)  
fuelNoGad    34 1.96811E+00 % (0.004)  
fuelNoGad    33 3.98636E+00 % (0.003)  
fuelNoGad    32 1.99161E+00 % (0.005)  
fuelNoGad    31 3.96966E+00 % (0.004)  
fuelNoGad    30 3.98779E+00 % (0.003)  
fuelNoGad    29 3.96966E+00 % (0.003)
```

```
...
```

krakentools.utils.process_material_volumes()

- Some clean up can be made to the Monte Carlo calculated volumes based on basic information on the depletion zone setup.
- `KrakenTools/tests/06_material_volume_processing/input.py`
- `KrakenTools/tests/62_process_arbitrary_fuel_volumes/input.py`

```
% --- Material volumes:
```

```
set mvol
```

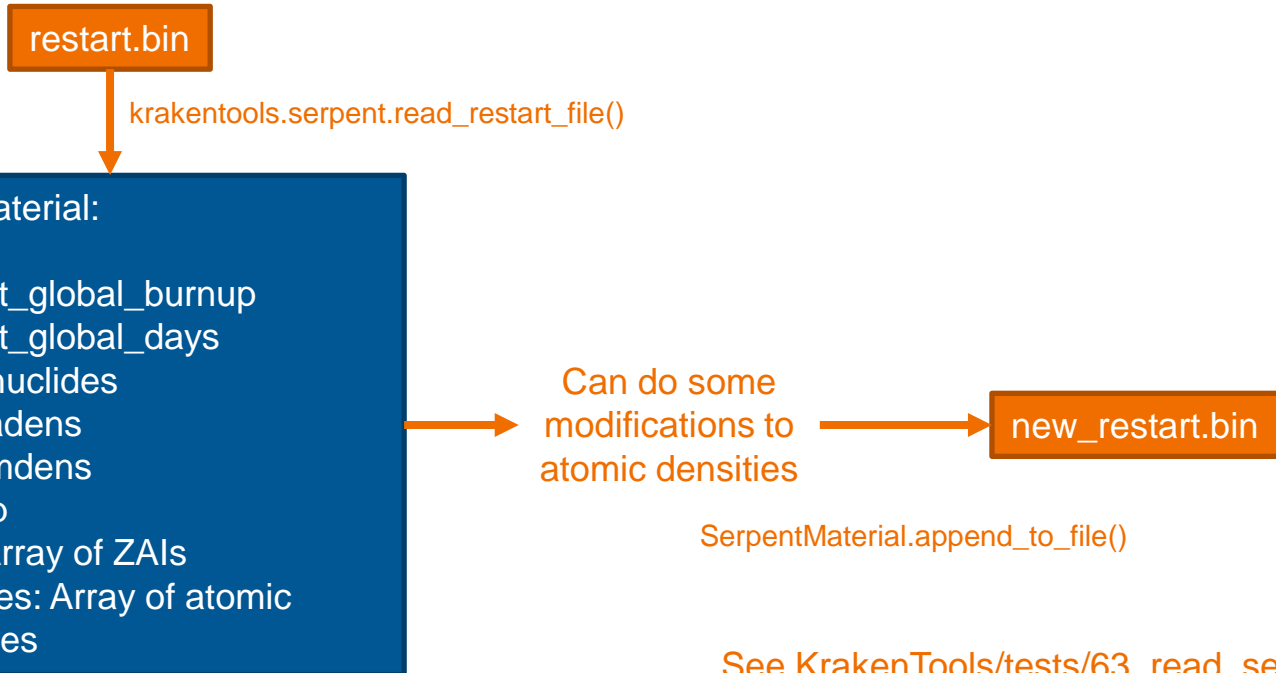
```
fuelNoGad      35 1.98557E+00    %% original volume 1.98263E+00 was a multiple of 4 (3.994 as float)
fuelNoGad      34 1.98557E+00    %% original volume 1.96811E+00 was a multiple of 4 (3.965 as float)
fuelNoGad      33 3.97113E+00    %% original volume 3.98636E+00 was a multiple of 8 (8.031 as float)
fuelNoGad      32 1.98557E+00    %% original volume 1.99161E+00 was a multiple of 4 (4.012 as float)
fuelNoGad      31 3.97113E+00    %% original volume 3.96966E+00 was a multiple of 8 (7.997 as float)
fuelNoGad      30 3.97113E+00    %% original volume 3.98779E+00 was a multiple of 8 (8.034 as float)
fuelNoGad      29 3.97113E+00    %% original volume 3.96966E+00 was a multiple of 8 (7.997 as float)
```

```
...
```


Interacting with Serpent binary restarts

krakentools.serpent.read_restart_file()

- Serpent can be told to write material compositions into restart files ([set rfw](#)) for later utilization in restart simulations ([set rfr](#)).
- Krakentools can be used to extract the material data from such files (including all burnup points) into SerpentMaterial objects:



See `KrakenTools/tests/63_read_serpent_restart`

Simple regression testing module

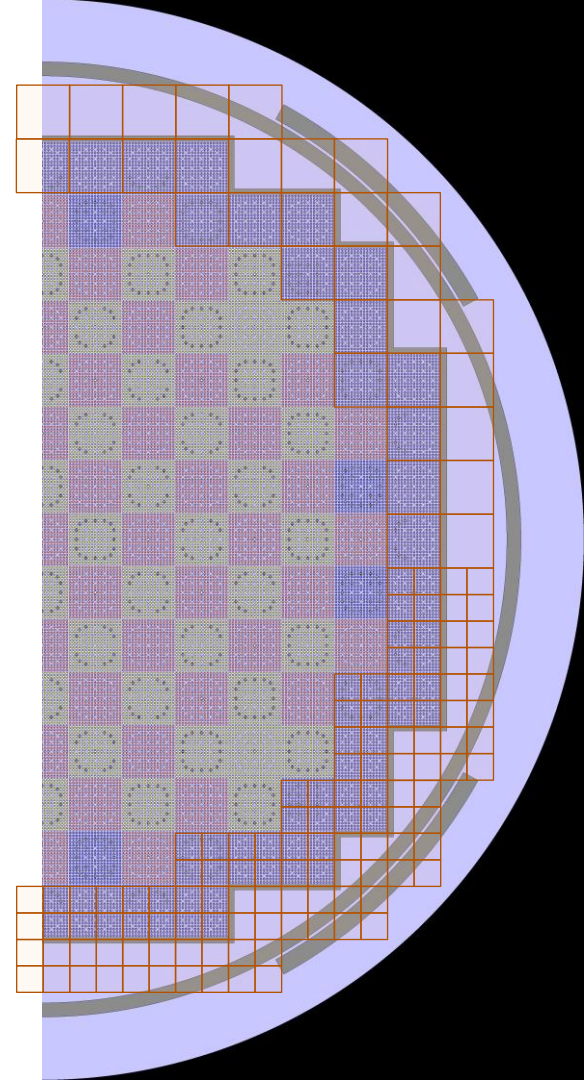
krakentools.testing

- Provides functionalities for regression testing during Kraken development.
- Runs all tests or some subset.
- Compares results to an earlier reference in three potential ways:
 1. File fully matches the reference.
 2. The reference file is a part of the new file.
 - New file is allowed to contain some additional parts.
 3. A user/developer written script checks the output to see if it is acceptable.
 - Flexible and extendable.
- Utilized in regression testing of the Kraken modules:
 - Serpent, Ants, SuperFINIX, Kharon, KrakenTools, Cerberus, ...

Radial reflector homogenization

Radial reflector homogenization

- We homogenize the radial reflector for Ants from a Serpent 2D full core simulation (square or hexagonal lattice).
- The tedious parts are automated with [krakentools.CoreLattice](#) and [krakentools.reflectorhg](#):
 - Setting up the superimposed universes to the Serpent model.
 - 1x1 or 2x2, one layer of reflector or multiple.
 - Collecting Serpent output data and averaging it over symmetry sectors.
 - Running single node Ants calculations to evaluate homogeneous surface fluxes for discontinuity factors.
 - (potentially condensing the data further)
 - Group constant fitting and library production.
- See tests 08, 11, 13, 16, 48, 49
- Also see: [Evaluating the X2 Initial Core Zero Power Physics Tests with Serpent-Ants](#)
Ville Valtavirta *et al.*
Tue 1:30 pm, Brighton III/IV, *Data, Methods, Code Validation: V*



Condensation of Serpent group constant data

Condensing Serpent group constant data further

- Generate group constants with Serpent into some energy group structure.
- Read the data into NodeBranch objects with
 - `krakentools.serpent.read_coe_and_res()`
- Each `krakentools.containers.NodeBranch` object contains data for a single universe/`node` at specific conditions (`branch`).
- Use `NodeBranch.give_condensed_version()` to obtain an energy condensed variant (both infinite spectrum and leakage corrected data if available).
- See tests 50 and 51.

Reading utilizes functionalities from `serpentTools`: Andrew Johnson, Dan Kotlyar, Stefano Terlizzi, and Gavin Ridley, “`serpentTools`: A Python Package for Expediting Analysis with Serpent.”, Nuclear Science and Engineering, 194 (2020)

`NodeBranch.calculate_critical_spectra()`
being prepared for applying leakage correction outside Serpent.

Summary

- KrakenTools collects many functionalities for Kraken related tasks.
 - Built primarily to serve VTT internal purposes as most of the Kraken framework.
- For general Serpent purposes you may have your own scripts already:
 - Producing material compositions
 - ...
- For Kraken purposes you may find the capabilities of KrakenTools invaluable:
 - Full core 2D radial reflector homogenization.
 - Group constant parametrization.
 - ...

Serpent users should also consider testing out serpentTools:
<https://github.com/CORE-GATECH-GROUP/serpent-tools>
<https://serpent-tools.readthedocs.io/en/master/overview.html>

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