

How to Use PASCAL3

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Introduction

- 1. Overview of PASCAL3
- 2. Input and Output Data of PASCAL3
- 3. An example of PFM Analysis Using PASCAL3
- 4. On-going Work





1-1 Structural Integrity of RPV

Area of Interest

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- Beltline of Reactor Pressure Vessel (RPV)
- During Pressurized Thermal Shock (PTS) Transients
- Preventing RPV from Brittle Crack
 Initiation
- Deterministic Structural Integrity
 Assessment Prescribed in JEAC 4206-2007 (1-2)
- Probabilistic Approach of PASCAL3 (1-3, 1-4)
- Conditional Probability of Through-Wall Cracking(CP-TWC), Through-Wall Cracking Frequency(TWCF) (1-5)





1-2 Structural Integrity Assessment in JEAC4206



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$K_{\rm I}$ and $K_{\rm Ic}$ curves during PTS



Temperature at crack tip

 ✓ Structural integrity (against brittle crack initiation) is maintained if K_I is smaller than K_{Ic} in deterministic approach.

 ✓ If uncertainties in K_I and K_{Ic} are taken into account, probabilities of crack initiation can be evaluated.





1- 4 Monte Carlo Method

Schematic of PFM analysis by Monte Carlo simulation



- ✓ Users need to input mean value and standard deviation for parameters of normal distribution such as initial RT_{NDT}, chemical composition, fast neutron fluence.
- \checkmark A different value is used for each RPV sample.
- ✓ Each calculation of the integrity evaluation is performed in deterministic fracture mechanics approach.
- ✓ The fracture probability is calculated from the number of fractured vessels and number of calculated samples.





1-5 Probability / Frequency







2-1 Input Data by Users





2-② Sample of Input File of PASCAL3



- ✓ A sample input file and some typical example files will be distributed (with manuals on the ways to change the sample input file into the examples).
- ✓ Detailed manual (JAEA-Data/Code-2010-033) can be downloaded for free from http://jolissrchinter.tokai-sc.jaea.go.jp/pdfdata/JAEA-Data-Code-2010-033.pdf (in Japanese)





2-3 How to Run PASCAL3

- Environment
 Windows 7 32bit/64bit
 - \checkmark Text editor for input and output files
 - ✓ Acrobat reader for manuals

- > Run
 - ✓ MS-DOS command prompt (or make and run "*.bat" file)
 - Main output file" '(inputfilename)'.rsl" file







2-④ Typical Output



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3-1 Analysis Conditions (1/2)

> Typical Input Items

Item	Condition	
Geometry of RPV	ID:4m, Thickness of Base Metal:200mm, Thickness of cladding:5mm, Height of Beltline : 4m	
 Types of PTS Transients and Occurrence Frequencies 	LBLOCA: 7.1×10^{-6} [events/year]SBLOCA: 5.9×10^{-4} [events/year]MSLB: 2.2×10^{-3} [events/year]SOV: 9.9×10^{-4} [events/year]	
Fast Neutron Fluence	Mean : 1×10 ²⁰ n/cm ² , E>1MeV SD : 0.131 of Mean Value	
Chemical Composition	Cu Mean0.16%, SD0.01% Ni Mean0.61%, SD0.02%	
Embrittlement Prediction	JEAC4201-2007 (SD10°C)	
Initial RT _{NDT}	Mean0°C, SD9.4°C	
Fracture Toughness K _{Ic}	PASCAL Weibull Type	
Crack Arrest Toughness K _{Ia}	ORNL Weibull Type	
Warm Pre-Stress	Considered	
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3-2 Analysis Conditions (2/2)

Initial Crack

Item	Condition
Surface Crack	Circumferential Semi-Elliptical Crack Crack Depth, Crack Aspect Ratio, Crack Density :Sample Data of VFLAW
	(Crack Depth, a : 6mm) (Crack Aspect Ratio, L/a : 2, 6, 10, 20)
Inner Crack	Circumferential and Axial Elliptical Crack Crack Depth, Crack Aspect Ratio, Crack Density :Sample Data of VFLAW Position in the RPV : 1/8×t from Inner Surface (t:thickness)
Crack Geometry after 1 st Initiation	Circumferential Crack : Circumferential 360 degree Crack Axial Crack : Axial Infinite Length Crack
K _I Solution	Semi-Elliptical Surface Crack : CEA (Solution for Through Clad Crack) Elliptical Inner Crack : JSME Circumferential 360 degree Crack : JSME Axial Infinite Length Crack : JSME









3-3 Analysis Results (Effect of PTS Transients)

Percentage of TWCF of Each PTS Transient to the Total TWCF







3- Analysis Results (Effect of Initial Crack Size)

Percentage of TWCF of Other Crack Densities to the Original TWCF







4 On-going Work

Update of User's Manuals

- ✓ Theory and detailed input manual (JAEA Data/Code 2010-033)
- \checkmark Preparing simplified manual, manual on PTS transient and more

Research on Utilization of PASCAL3 ✓ Guideline for general procedures of PFM analysis ✓ Selection of typical input data and analysis functions of PASCAL3

✓ Verification of PASCAL3





5 Conclusion

- ✓ The main analysis flow of PASCAL3,
- ✓ Typical input and output data of PASCAL3,
- ✓ An example of a PFM analysis using PASCAL3 for different crack densities,

are introduced.





6 Deliverable List

- ✓ Load module of PASCAL3
- ✓ Samples of input/output files
- ✓ Manuals

<u>*How to access is as presented by JAEA.</u>





*****Demonstration*****

- ✓ Demonstration of PASCAL3
- ✓ Samples of input/output files
- ✓ Manuals
- ✓ References





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