### **Pipeline: Transport Codes**

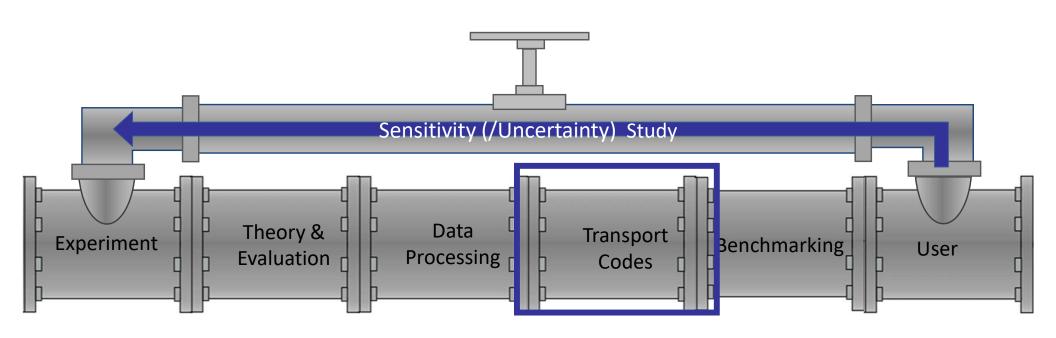
Workshop for Applied Nuclear Data Activities 2020 Elliott School of International Affairs at The George Washington University

Teresa Bailey Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory





#### **Transport Codes**



## Transport codes are the computational engine used to model engineering systems

- Transport codes numerically evolve the solution to the linear Boltzmann
  Transport Equation
  - Deterministic (S<sub>N</sub>, P<sub>N</sub>) and Stochastic Methods (Monte Carlo) methods
  - Calculations tend to be relatively expensive, driving codes to HPC and emerging architectures
- Transport code developers:
  - Often the first customer of nuclear data
  - Often develop a strong interest in nuclear data
  - Develop a deep understanding about need for high quality data
- SQA and V&V are key elements to production transport code development
- Transport codes are driven by need to port to emerging architectures
- National Labs and multiple Universities are engaged in ongoing transport R&D

We are discussing transport code development in much more detail at the Scattering, Transport, and Shielding Roadmapping Session

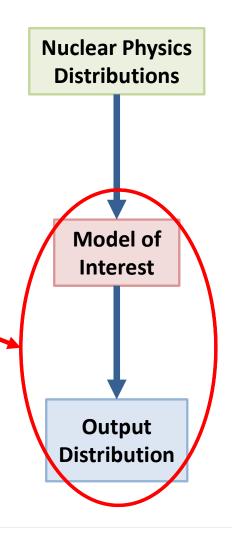




# Transport codes are the computational engine used to drive nuclear physics/engineering UQ

- Transport codes are used in UQ studies to calculate metrics of interest (e.g. keff)
- UQ studies are wide ranging, requiring different types of transport solutions
  - Adjoint solutions
  - keff, detector response, time dependent solutions, etc
- Transport codes must be V&V'ed, efficient,
   and robust in order to meet the demands of
   ongoing UQ studies
- Each application area has its own set of transport code requirements for UQ studies

**Basic UQ Study** 





#### Disclaimer

This document was prepared as an account of work sponsored by an agency of the United States government. Neither the United States government nor Lawrence Livermore National Security, LLC, nor any of their employees makes any warranty, expressed or implied, or assumes any legal liability or responsibility for the accuracy, completeness, or usefulness of any information, apparatus, product, or process disclosed, or represents that its use would not infringe privately owned rights. Reference herein to any specific commercial product, process, or service by trade name, trademark, manufacturer, or otherwise does not necessarily constitute or imply its endorsement, recommendation, or favoring by the United States government or Lawrence Livermore National Security, LLC. The views and opinions of authors expressed herein do not necessarily state or reflect those of the United States government or Lawrence Livermore National Security, LLC, and shall not be used for advertising or product endorsement purposes.