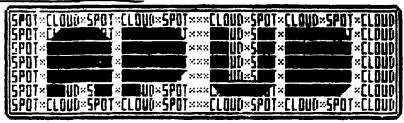
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APUD is an acronym of the Romanian wording for Analysing, Predicting the Consequences of, and Guiding the response to, nuclear emergencies. The conotation to the Latin preposition meaning "After", though unintentional is however appropriate.

APUD is a computer code designed for rough, expeditious assessments of the dispersal of airborne radioactivity discharged, either normally or accidentaly, nuclear facilities. In particular codes such as APUD may aptly complement the tool-kit required in the adoption of informed contingency plans in case of abnormal nuclear occurences that are accompanied by atmospheric releases of radioactivity. Apart from such extreme circumstances, APUD may profitably be used as a simulation/drill facility. Given adequate inputs, may also work on any sort of industrial atmospheric emissions.

APUD is one product of a Coordinated Research Programme initiated in the summer of the year 1986 by Professor Ioan Ursu, under the auspices and with the logistic support of Romania's National Committee for Science and Technology*, and features one topic in the profile of this country's Central Institute of Physics. Other components of the Program are concerned with dose assessment, nuclide migration into the environment and food chain, the overall impact of nuclear facilities on biosphere a.s.o. Program Coordinator is Professor Ioan Ursu, First Vice President of the National Committee for Science and Technology, Senior Researcher with the National Centre for Physics at Mågurele-Bucharest. APUD's Physics, program design and coding, by Dan Vamanu. The permanent scientific guidance and comprehensive assistance by the Program Coordinator is gratefully acknowledged.

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GENERAL

The assessment of a nuclear emergency involving radioactivity releases into the environment is a many-task job. Inter alia, the analyst may be bound to determine core inventories at the release time; predict dispersal of airborne activity; infer fallout, land and water contamination, animal and human intakes and doses - and, on this basis, recommend to decidents appropriate alert levels, in time and over territories. This stands true not only for crisis situations, but also, and increasingly, for planning the nuclear development and improving nuclear emergency preparedness.

This APUD component does not endeavour to cover all these. It is deliberately confined to the prediction of the airborne activity dispersal over time intervals in the order of a few days, and territories in the range of national, or sub-continental, areas. Assuming this restriction, APUD shares the opinion according to which the atmospheric dispersal is "the most critical pathway, to be quickly estimated in the early phase of an accident"*.

As it is, APUD was designed to provide

- (i) the time-profile of the activity excursion, at given spots; and
- (ii) the pattern of radioactive clouds/plumes, at given moments into the release time.

Recent experience has also highlighted the notion of "assessment-under-crisis", implying excessive stress over analysts and decidents, and severe time constraints. As a consequence, apart from highly elaborated codes requiring top-class hardware to run, a clear need emerged also for codes that should work on, or be readily adaptable to, a wide class of simple, unexpensive personal/home (!) computers, operable wherever the need occurs on the theatre of action. Such codes would necessarily work on boldly simplifying physical and mathematical assumptions to give, in minutes, rushes on the relevant information, that may be highly praised because delivered at the right time, in the right place.

APUD is an exercise to outline the design of such a code. Demonstratively, this version of the program was meant to work on

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one of the smallest though brave home computer, the 48K Sinclair SPECTRUM and compatibles, currently produced, or marketed, in many countries worldwide. It takes a couple of minutes for APUD be loaded from tape, about one minute to be properly fed with input data, less than five minutes to trace, via 200 points, the time-profile of the activity excursion in a User-selected place, and around ten minutes to deliver a bulk of 704 data, spelling and mapping the distribution of activity in a radioactive cloud - its most comprehensive job.

In its current version, APUD is essentially concerned with South-East Europe, which it covers by nine, partially overlapping maps, but can well accommodate release sources that fall beyond the borders of its reference map. Moreover, there is no principial difficulty to adapt APUD to other territories.

APUD delivers its answers in the form of four varieties of listings and four varieties of graphic pictures, as requested, on screen and hardcopy.

While doing these,APUD would in no way pretend to substitute for more elaborated, experienced, and therefore reliable models, and codes, currently in the libraries of those interested. In fact, as it looks now, APUD does not endeavour to be a ready-to-market commercial item, but rather a homework hinting at an attitude - one based on the belief that nuclear safety training and environmental challenges should become a part of the daily preoccupations of those many active in these, and correlative, fields.

This candid exercise is willingly open to criticism and - hopefully - amendments, transcription on more ambitious machines, and development.

THE PHYSICS

This is a User's manual. Therefore, the present text will not enter a detailed presentation of the dispersal model designed for the description of the evolving in time and over territories of the released radioactivity. When brought to these by necessity, the User is kindly invited to apply to the reference paper attached (RP), and its citations.

For the sake of this briefing, it suffices to say that APUD employs a diffusion-translational model of dispersal, so devised as to accomodate a comprehensive variety of releases, from Lagrangian puffs to Gaussian plumes. The capital User-defined functions of the program are given by the equations (2.3) and (2.5) in the RP.

The following table of correspondences will help the User correlate the code names of those APUD's variables that surface out at the User/machine interface - for instance in the table of inputs (CLOUDBUS) - with the physical variables in the model description given in the RP:

Code variable (APUD)	Physical variable (RP)	Comments
Disp.act (Ci)	a	A source term. Total expected dispersed activity. v. RP eq.(2.2), and the comments to eq.(2.4). On using other, appropriate, units, APUD may monitor various industrial releases.
Blast factor (1/h)	β	A source term. Fixes the time-profile of the release. Larger β - puffs, smaller β -plumes
Elevation (km)	н	A source term. The height above sea level of the virtual centre of dispersal, on the vertical of the actual source of release (v. also RP's Fig.2).
Halflife (days)		A source term. Decay depletion effects were not taken into account in the RP. That paper had concentrated rather upon defining the dispersal model and solving the so-called "inverse problem". However APUD takes care of the decay, in the sense that the decay-corrected activity is obtained by multiplying the uncorrected one by exp (-dc.t), where dc = ln 2/halflife - both time quantities being taken in days. For many purposes it is convenient to first estimate an average halflife, that would fit cloud's isotopic composition. Note that a halflife in the order of hundreds of thousands days or more would also fit the description of the dispersal of other industrial, non-radioactive, aerosols.
Wind vel. (km/h)	v	The wind velocity.
Wind dir. (radians)	-	The wind direction, measured with respect to an axis that has its origin in the release source and points North. Irrelevant in the model's Physics, it is not invoked in RP
Depletion (1/h)	-	As with the radioactive decay, cloud/plume depletion through fallout and precipitation washdown was not discussed in RP. Such effects were also taken care of by APUD. Essentially, the depleted activity is obtained by multiplying the undepleted one

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It is apparent from the table above that, as expected, APUD is much more oriented to practical applications than its physical and mathematical counterpart - the RP. On the other hand, the User may wish to note that, in comparison with the fan of basic problems approached in the RP, this version of APUD does not tackle the inverse problem (v. RP's Section 3). It was found indeed that the inference from field-collected data of the source terms and effective diffusion parameters would better fit a separate code.

THE STRUCTURE

APUD's logical structure is represented in Figure 1.

The program sections as indicated perform the following main functions:

The INPUT section

Confronts the User with program's INPUT variables that were explained in the preceding chapter of this manual. Performs primary processing on the input variables, in order to eliminate as far as possible unnecessary, essentially scaling operations from the executive loops, thus reducing the time expenses of the main routines to follow. At the User/machine interface it manifests itself as the synoptic INPUT table, code-named CLOUDBUS, displayed as in in Fig.2a, accompanied by appropriate INPUT messages at the bottom of the display.

The DISPATCHER section

provides convenient access, on a strike-a-key basis, to the two regions of the program - the EXECUTIVE routines, and the ANCILLARY routines. At the User/machine interface it casts a window (v.Figs.2c and 3) that dispays the options made available to the User. Because the said window can also be invoked, whenever during the execution of the executive routines, by calling for HELP (key h), it will be known in the sequel as "the HELP window".

The ANCILLARY section

Comprises the tool-kit available at the User/machine interface. Thus,

- the VIEW command invokes, on request (key v), all the essential INPUT data in current use, in the form of a window (the VIEW window, Fig.3), whenever during the execution of the main executive routines, SPOT and CLOUD.
- The RESET command (key R) would bring the User back to a fresh INPUT table, clearing out old variables and thus truly resetting the program.

- The N(E)W MAP command (key M) would open a channel to an external memory currently a magnetic tape storing APUDs nine working maps, wherefrom a map can be chosen at will.
- The RESUME command (key 0) would force APUD to continue the execution from the point it left it for the HELP window.
- The HALT command (key .) is active only during the execution of the SPOT and CLOUD executive routines, when it actually halts the computing, providing for closer examination of the data that are continually generated on the display, and also reminding the User moments in time and map coordinates relevant for the respective cases.
- The HELP command would bring the HELP window on display, and the program on its option turntable, as described.

The EXECUTIVE section

This is APUD's raison d'etre. Comprises the SPOT routines, and the CLOUD routines.

- (i) The SPOT routines are FOR-NEXT loops that calculate display the evolving in time of the activity excursion determined by the radioactive cloud passage over a given spot, identified via its coordinates on APUD's Reference Map - that is explained in the Appendix. There is a SPOT-computing routine, the User with a listing of time instants presenting corresponding activity concentrations, scrolling-up on the display and reproducible as hardcopy; and a SPOT-drawing routine that features a picture in time-vs.-concentration orthogonal axes, of the activity excursion. 200 time-instants are scanned, at a time resolution determined by the User. The instant of maximum activity is captured, together with the respective value. Through HALT, the User can closer-examine the results during the execution of the computing routine, and ask for interim hardcopies of the relevant displays. HELP is also accessible as usually (key h), with all its open options. To recall to memory the inputs, User should call for HELP, then order VIEW (key v).
- The CLOUD routines are FOR-NEXT loops that do a screening of the working maps, Northward and Eastward, determining the concentration of the airborne activity over the territory by the respective maps. titudes vs. sea Map quadrants, the level, altitudes sea a**n**d the representative activity concentrations at the centre of each map quad, are listed on display, and scrolled-up till the entire territory is screened. Like with the SPOT routines, in the process the HELP is readily accessible, together with all its open options. Also available is the HALT command - that, unlike VIEW, works without prior calling for HELP. Again, there is a <u>CLOUD-computing routine</u>, generating a listing, and a CLOUD-drawing routine, effectively displaying, in green, yellow and red as required by the alert grades, the radioactive cloud on the working map, and singling out the quad of maximum concentration across the cloud.

THE OPERATION

This chapter gives a straightforward description of a typical APUD session.

LOAD"" With this standard command the User calls the program from tape. The LOADing sequence comprises the following components:

Length (bytes)

APUD '89	Header	371
G	Front page	6912
M	Map +5	8505
В	The Code	20506

Following the LOADing procedure, the program will run iteself automatically.

INPUT The CLOUDBUS table is now on display (Fig.2a). Messages at the bottom of the display request USER to fill in the various input data. The appropriate units are conveniently indicated. Note that all map coordinates are in pixels, on the Reference Map. At this point in the manual the User will perhaps find it necessary to get better acquainted with APUD's maps, described in the Appendix.

COPY After the last input is performed (Fig.2b), a bottom message asks: "COPY? (Y/N)", that is, whether a hardcopy of the display is wanted. If the answer is No (N), then the HELP window appears on display (Fig.2c), inviting the User to place his orders (v. THE STRUCTURE). If the answer is Yes (Y) - and the requisite printer is on - then first a hardcopy is delivered, and then the HELP window comes up.

At this stage a compulsory branching point is reached in the program. Let us examine the different options available, first starting with the ancillary routines.

VIEW Obtained by striking key v, with HELP on display. The VIEW window is displayed (Fig. 3), reminding the User its current inputs.

RESET Obtained by striking key R (capital, for better protection), with HELP on display. Resets the program, displaying again the CLOUDBUS table. All previous inputs are lost.

NW MAP Obtained by striking key M (capital), with HELP on display. A bottom message will ask: "NEW MAP? (Y/N)". If the answer is No (N), then the previous display reappears and the program remains open to another option. If the answer is Yes (Y), then the display is cleared and a new bottom message asks: "MAP * ? (1-9, or 0)". The User will fill in the number of the new map desired, whereas the program will bring the machine into the the mode LOAD "" SCREEN\$, waiting

for the tape that stores the maps to be started. If the current map on tape does not bear the required number, the machine will reject it, waiting again for the right map. If the current map on tape is the one already in the RAM, a bottom message will say so (e.g. "Map \(\frac{1}{2} \) already RAMed!"). If the map on tape is right, the machine will properly store it into the reserved RAM, making it the current working map of the program. Upon doing this, APUD will appropriately switch the origin of the coordinates, so that the computation remain safe, sparing the User the effort to readjust the coordinates. More about APUD's maps - in the Appendix.

RESUME

Obtained by striking key 0, with HELP on display. The HELP window - and also the VIEW window, if displayed - are erased from display and program will continue from the point at which the HELP was invoked. At this point the User may wish to note that HELP and View are true windows, in the sense that these come on and off without affecting the original picture on display.

HALT

Obtainable only during SPOT and CLOUD computing routines, that is, without HELP on display, by striking key ".". As already indicated (v. THE STRUCTURE), upon this command the program will pause, allowing for close-examination of data on display. Also during HALT a flashing bottom message will ask: "COPY? (Y/N)". If Y, a hardcopy of the current display is produced. If the answer is N, the the respective computing procedure will continue. During HALT, the headings of the respective routines appear at the bottom of the display, reminding useful information.

HELP

Obtainable practically at any point in the program, keying h. Displays the HELP window and opens up its options.

And now about the executive routines:

SPOT

Obtained by striking key s, with HELP on display. In a first phase, APUD will bring on display the current working map, while bottom messages will indicate that the program is on the so-called "Cursor" mode (v.Fig.3). A cursor, "+", first displayed in the bottom-left corner of the picture; is made available to the USER, who can move it by pressing down keys 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, in the directions that correspond to the following positions of the respective keys:

7 8 9 4 6 1 2 3

To accelerate the cursor, User will press key q, whereas to slow it down the neighbouring key w shall be used. In this way User will bring the cursor at the precise spot on the map where there is an interest for the determination of the evolving in time of the airborne activity excursion during the radioactive cloud's passage over that spot. As soon as the User is satisfied with cursor's position (Fig. 4), he may strike key 5 to exit cursor mode.

SPOT, at x=215, y=225, z=0.575 Time (h) Activity (pCi/cm) 2.5 0 1.5 0

At this, the display is cleared and the first line in the header above appears on screen, indicating that the SPOT computing routine is now on.

At the same time a bottom message - "Time resolution (h) =" - will ask User to define the time interval, in hours, between two consecutive determinations of the activity, at the given spot. At this stage User may wish to proceed on the knowledge that, irrespective to the time resolution chosen, the SPOT computation loop will execute 200 consecutive determinations.

As soon as the time resolution is fixed, the second line of the header above will appear, and the computation will start. Lines like those immediately following the header will follow each other at a rate somewhat higher than one per second, till the display is filled up. Than the picture is automatically scrolled up until completion of the series of 200 determinations.

Whenever User feels like freezing the scrolling picture, he would strike ".", for HALT (Fig.5,a,b,c).

When the SPOT computing is finished, User may rely on having all 200 activity values duly stored in a reserved RAM segment. At this point a bottom message will ask: "COPY? (Y/N)". If N, then the program will automatically continue with the SPOT-drawing routine. If Y, then a full listing of the 200 moments in time and the respective activity concentrations is deliver: by the printer, before APUD's passing to the SPOT-drawing routine.

Entering SPOT-drawing routine APUD will first display a system of axes with the time in abscissa and the activity concentration on the y axis (v.Fig.6). The User will note that the abscissa is marked in days, depending on the time resolution chosen at the start of the SPOT computing routine. Accordingly, the graphical resolution in indicated by a bottom message (1 pix = ...). It is also important to note that the graphical representation was designed so as to assign the same, maximum available height on display, to the maximum activity recorded during the SPOT computing. This aspect is particularly relevant when the maximum activity is in the order of tens, or less, pCi/c.m., when it may happen that the picture take a marked stepwise shape, in contrast with the bellshaped curve chosen as an illustration in Fig.6.

Immediately after the frame of axes was drawn, and the resolution was indicated, a histogram of the stored values of activity concentration is drawn, giving a graphic picture of the evolving in time of the activity concentration during the radioactive cloud passage over the chosen spot.

As the diagram is completed a bottom message asks, as usually: "COPY? (Y/N)". If N, the HELP window is brought on display, and the program is at its second compulsory branching point. If Y, a hardcopy of the histogram and its accessories is produced, before the HELP window is brought on. Considering the fact that all the other options were explained already, it is natural to assume now that the User option would be CLOUD, that he would invoke by striking key c.

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		1.87		3	
9E/15k		1.2		4	
9E/14K		9.0E	3		¥

CLOUD

As the second executive routine of the program, CLOUD would first run its computing component. As with SPOT-computing, a heading is displayed (v. above), starting with the segment "CLOUD at", accompanied by the bottom message "Hours (into the release time) =". As User declares the moment, 't', at which the cloud is to be calculated, the heading becomes "CLOUD at 't' h, and level", while a new bottom message asks: "Height, km (0, if at grnd.) =", meaning "At what height is APUD to cut a section into the cloud, horizontally, and calculate activity concentrations in the respective plane?" Now, if a certain, nonzero, figure is filled in, the 2 variable in the RP equations (2.3,5) is set to that particular value, which will duly, and repeatedly, appear in the column "H (km)", on display. If, on the other hand, the machine is given a 0 (zero), APUD will understand that User asks for the activity concentrations at the ground level, so that the program will set variable Z at the representative altitude (vs.sea level) that is stored in the Map section of the RAM, for the respective map quadrate (quad), duly changing figure during the screening procedure according to the correct local altitude.

As the desired altitude, or a 0, are filled in, the CLOUD computing will start. Map quads, altitudes, and activities are now displayed and scrolled up, till the completion of the working map screening, at the 704th quad.

A sample of display is given in Fig.7, which also illustrates how HALT (key .) works into the CLOUD computing routine. Needless to say, HELP is also available, thus providing convenient exits from CLOUD-computing, if so

desired. At a rate of approximately one line per second, CLOUD-computing is the most time-consuming procedure of the program.

CLOUD computing ends with the bottom message "COPY? (Y/N)". If N, the program will automatically proceed with CLOUD-drawing. If Y, a hardcopy is first delivered, and then the CLOUD drawing is automatically invoked.

CLOUD drawing starts by APUD's displaying its current working map. If the source of release falls within the confines of the working map, then a circular mark displayed at the appropriate place (v.Fig.8a). At this point it is important to emphasize that there is no need that the source be within the limits of the working map, for the program would always take rightly its coordinates into consideration when doing the computing. In fact, this was one good reason for introducing an interplay of nine working maps, which allows ample space for tracking clouds over larger territories, by passing from one working map to another, and then clipping maps as appropriate. An example of the kind is given in Fig.8, where the frames 8a and 8b represent the final products of the CLOUD-computing routines on maps \$2 and 5, respectively, while frame 8c gives the result of those maps clipping.

Cloud maps in Figs.8 were obviously obtained by answering Y(es) to the bottom message "COPY? (Y/N)", that would always close a CLOUD-drawing procedure.

After delivering the hardcopy, as well as in the case the answer to the copying invitation is N(o), the program would go again into the Cursor mode. However in this case, with the cloud displayed, by moving the cursor at will across the map, the User will find out not only the coordinates of various spots - as with the Cursor on at the inception of the SPOT procedure - but also, and essentially, what activity concentration is in the cloud, either at the cloud's sectional altitude or at ground level (option 0 in the CLOUD-computing heading), an asset which may beneficially complement the original SPOT procedure.

Exiting the Cursor mode by striking key 5, the User would bring on display the HELP window, thus creating the third, and final, branching point into the program. All the executive and ancillary options are now again available. At this stage USER should feel free to reiterate SPOT, or CLOUD, or to re-VIEW the inputs, or to opt for a N(E)W MAP, or to RESET the program in view of new inputs - for his first run with APUD is now in fact completed.

If User is to take full benefit of the COPY options, he will end up a run with the following hard documentation at hand:

⁻ A copy of the CLOUDBUS table of inputs.

- A listing of 200 values of the airborne activity concentration at a given spot, at as many moments into the release time.
- A histogram of the above, also featuring the top value of activity at the spot under scrutiny, and the moment in time when this is reached.
- A listing of 704 values of the airborne activity concentration in each and every of the 704 quadrates of the working map; this includes the values that fall beyond the lowest, "green", alert level.
- A picture of the radioactive cloud passing over the territory covered by the working map, the cloud being conventionally defined as limited to values in excess of the lowest, "green", alert level.
- An <u>ad-libitum</u> number of interim copies of special, relevant, situations during the SPOT-computing and CLOUD-computing procedures.

The facility offered to User-analysts, to re-run the executive routines SPOT and CLOUD over the same input data would allow one to zero-in over the most expressive cases, of special interest for the decidents.

SOME TIPS FOR THE USER

In its present version, the program has available the interruption via BREAK. If CONTINUE would not, however, yield the expected result, a new BREAK is commendable, followed by one of the follwing main exists from such a dead end:

- GO TO 370 This command would bring over the HELP window, with all its dispatcher functions available. The original CLOUDBUS is preserved.
- GO TO 100 This command would bring over the CLOUDBUS display, meaning implicitely that all the original inputs are lost.
- GO TO 2000 This command would start the CLOUD-computing routine, clearing implicitely all previously computed quadradioactivities if any, as well as all SPOT results.
- GO TO 2067 This command will activate the CLOUD-drawing routine, that will work on data stored via CLOUD-computing, if prior CLOUD-computing was properly conducted. Especially useful when, for various reasons, there is need to contemplate again a cloud, after it was erased from the display, but not from RAM.

- GO TO 3000 This command will start the SPOT routines by displaying the current working map and switching on the Cursor mode, here required in order to chose a place where SPOT computing be conducted.
- GO TO 3011 This command will initiate the SPOT-computing procedure. Implicitely, it will erase from RAM all previous SPOT-computing, and CLOUD-computing, results.
- GO TO 3100 This command will activate the SPOT-drawing routine, that will work on data stored via SPOT-computing, if prior SPOT-computing was properly conducted. Especially useful when, for various reasons, there is need to contemplate again a SPOT histogram, after it was erased from the display, but not from RAM.

A User interested in equipping the program with an alternative set of maps may find it useful to know the memory map of the 48K RAM machines for which the present version of APUD was designed. The memory map follows:

Table 2

RAM addresses	Contents
0 16383	The BASIC interpreter
16384 22527 22528 23295	The display file The display attributes
23296 23551	The PRINT file
23552 23733	The system variables
23765 44270 44271 49999	The 'B' BASIC text Program's variables, workspace etc.
49999	RAMTOP
50000 56911	Virtual display. Serves as a buffer for temporary saving the actual display during windowing and Cursor procedures
56960 56971 56980 56991 57000 57011	Carry routine: display-to-virtual display Carry routine: virtual display-to-display Carry routine: mapstore-to display
57025 57728 57735 58438 58445 65356 65368	Mapstore, altitudes: height-256.INT(height/256) Mapstore, altitudes: INT(height/256) Mapstore, workmap's picture file Mapstore, workmap's tag: map number
65368 65535	The User-defined graphics file: unused, with the exception of the first address, 65368, borrowed to host working map tags

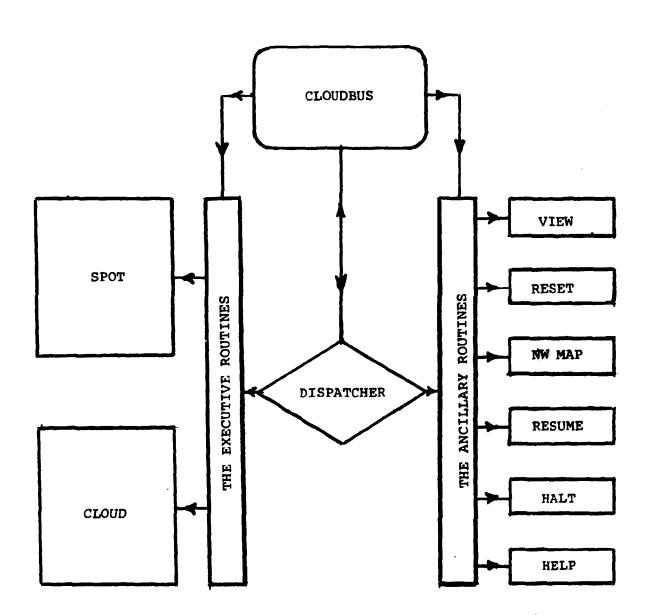
FIGURE CAPTIONS

- Figure 1 APUD's simplified flow-chart.
- Figure 2 CLOUDBUS APUD's INPUT table, as it meets the User (a), filled-in by the User here with a set of demon artion data (b), and after the branching COPY? (Y/N) has been settled. Note in frame a) that Map * 5 is conveniently RAMed, its scale | pixel = 4.125 km. Frame c) features the HELP window acting as an option dispatcher.
- Figure 3 The VIEW (right) and, inevitably, HELP (left) windows impressed upon Map \$ 5, on User's request (keys h, then v.), during SPOT-ting a location where APUD will be called to deliver the time-profile of the activity excursion. Option RESUME (key 0) will restore the screen intact and APUD ready to continue the spotting procedure.
- Figure 4 Location SPOT-ted in this case the Romanian city of Suceava, at coordinates 215 East and 225 North (pixels) with respect to the origin of the Reference Map, and at a representative altitude of 0.575 km above sea level. By striking key 5, User will drive APUD into deriving the time-profile of the activity excursion at the chosen spot.
- Figure 5 Interim hardcopies during the execution SPOT-computing procedure, capturing a) the inception of the activity excursion, at 26.5 hours into the release time, and the time for green alert, at 33.5 hours into the release time; b) the culmination of the activity excursion, at 4863 pCi/cm and 55~55.5 hours into the release time; and c) the gradual exit from the alert episodes - at 77 hours back to yellow alert and at 82 hours back to green alert. Like in Fig.4, the spot selected is Suceava, at 215 pix East and 225 pix North, respect to the origin of the Reference map. through HALT (key .). When on Hardcopies obtained screen, colours of activity figures vary according to alert grades - green, yellow, and red, respectively.
- Figure 6 Hardcopy of the result of the SPOT-drawing procedure a histogram offering a synoptic view of the activity excursion at the spot of the coordinates given in the heading. Line 2 gives the absolute maximum, of 4863 pCi/c.m., at 55.5 hours into the release time. The bottom line is a reminder of the time resolution chosen at the inception of the SPOT-computing procedure.

- Figure 7 Interim copy showing a sample of screen listing during the execution of the CLOUD-computing procedure. Hardcopy obtained through HALT (key.). When on screen, colours of activity figures vary according to alert grades green, yellow and red, respectively.
- Figure 8 Samples of clouds mapped result as a CLOUD-drawing procedure. The CLOUD was appropriately tracked on Map # 2 (a), where also the source of release is marked in the top-right corner. Then, to visualize the front of the cloud, Map \$5 was called from tape via HELP/NW MAP, and the same cloud, at 61 hours into the release time, was computed and drawn (b). Frame c) demonstrates how integral cloud patterns can be easily obtained from two products above, the through map-clipping.

Caveat:

The data used throughout this text and figures for demonstration may not necessarily make the best choice. The disp.act. taken at 25000000 Ci is about one third of the sum-total of the contributions reportedly brought to the integral release at Chernobyl, between 26 April and May the 6th, 1986, by the first 16 nuclides quoted in Table 4.14 of reference 1 of the RP. Likewise, the halflife taken at 225 days is the weighted average of the halflifes of the said nuclides. Needless to say, the actual chronology and meteorology of the Chernobyl event may have less in common with the example here.



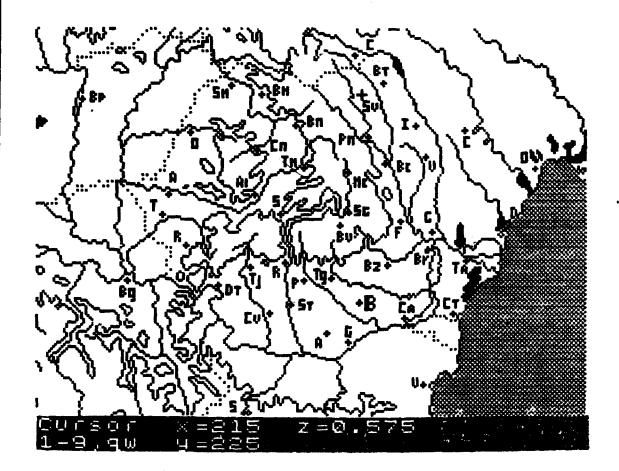
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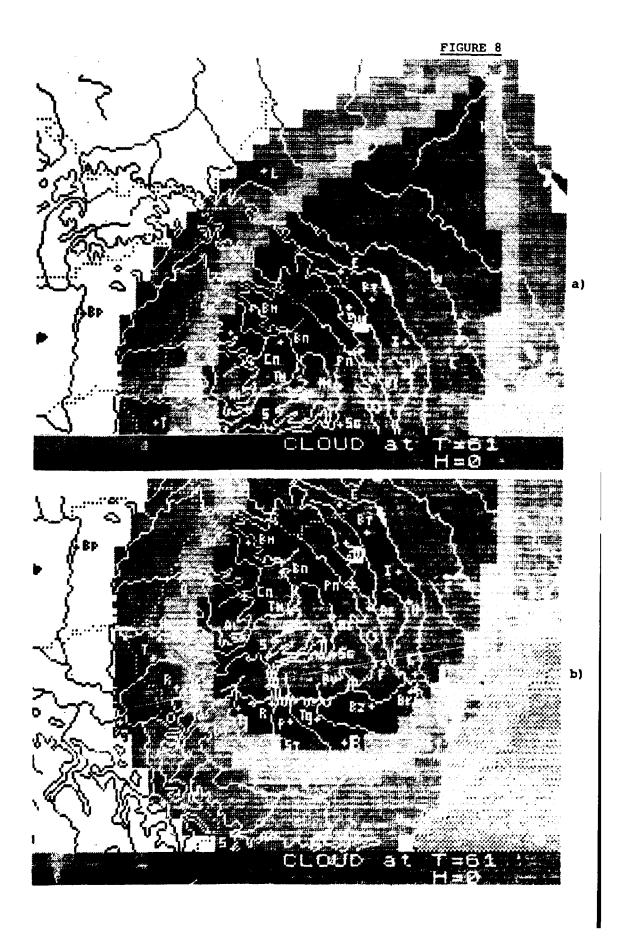




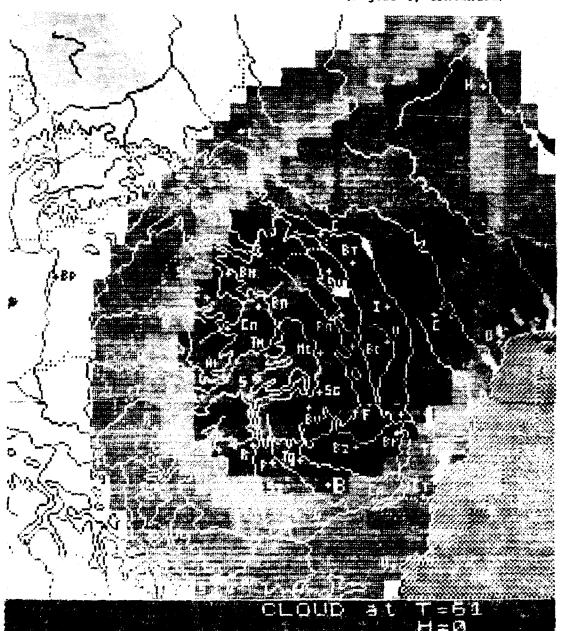
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APPENDIX: APUD'S MAPS

In this manual frequent reference was made to a "reference", and "working", maps. This section explains these.

APUD was designed to cover a territory that is loosely termed as "the Scuth-East Europe". Loosely indeed, for - as the User may readily see by contemplating the first frame that follows this explanatory text - it streches from as West as Prague, Vienna, Zagreb, and Brindisi, to as East as Simferopol, and from as South as Istanbul and Ankara to as North as Kiev.

The original map was a Lambert conical projection at the scale 1:3000000.

Considering the capability of the display used with the SPECTRUM-compatible machine that served in APUD's design, it turned out that the 255 x 175 pixels display can best be referred to the said map by assigning to each screen a portion the same size as the monitor's screen - notwithstanding screen's curvature, and ignoring the slight conical deformation of the projection, that could not possibly add too much to the models inherent inaccuracies. This path lead to the concept of "working maps" - a set of 9 interchangeable, and partially overlapping, maps, obtained by displacing a rectangular frame the size of the monitor's display over nine cardinal positions on the original, all-encompassing, map.

As a first step, the resulting pictures were translated, via a home-designed drawing program, into the video memory of the SPECTRUM machine, while retaining from the original map only a limited series of relevant detais. These are:

- the representative hidrography;
- the 500-meter isoaltitude;
- major cities, with emphasis on Romania.

Then each working map was transposed into a reserved RAM section (Mapstore, v. the memory map in Table 2), and the respective codes was stored on casette.

In a second step nine hardcopies of the working maps were clipped together with due consideration for their overlapping, to give what was called "APUD's Reference Map" - a fairly faithful, digitized reproduction of the original map.

In the third step a grid was applied on both the Reference, and working maps. Grid's quadrates would correspond to the normal character quads in the video memory of the SPECTRUM machine. Thus there are $32 \times 22 = 704$ quads per each working map and, overlapping considered, $49 \times 43 = 2107$ quads on the Reference Map. The map scale as resulted from the process described is 4.125 km per pixel.

Both the clear-field, and gridded, versions of the Reference and working maps are given in this Appendix. To facilitate map reading, quads and pixels are marked on the borders.

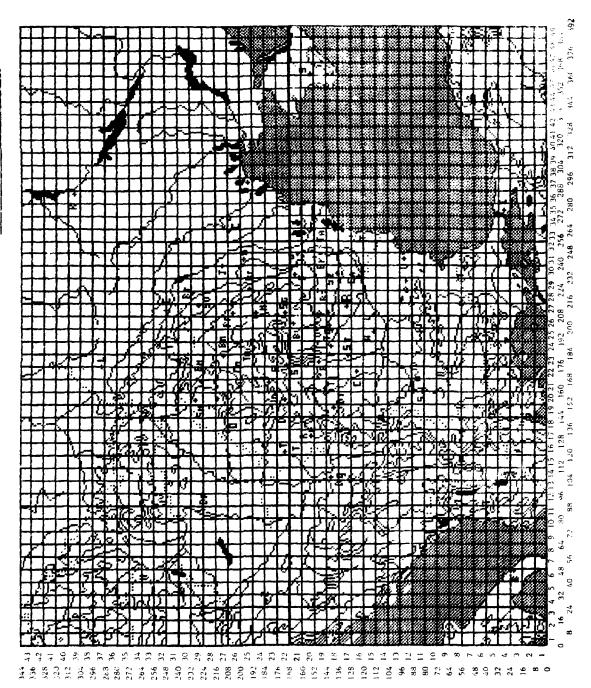
While operating APUD, User will soon find out that he must keep permanently an eye on the Reference, and the current working, maps. One critical phase is, for instance, the CLOUDBUS, when the program will ask for the release source coordinates - on the implicit understanding that these are pixel coordinates on the Reference Map. SPOTting is less demanding as to the explicit declaration of coordinates, this task being assumed by the Cursor procedure. In effect, the User will note that while the cursor moves across a displayed working map, coordinates and altitudes are also displayed at the bottom of the screen (v.Fig.4). Regardless this facility, a good mastering of coordinates is always recommendable.

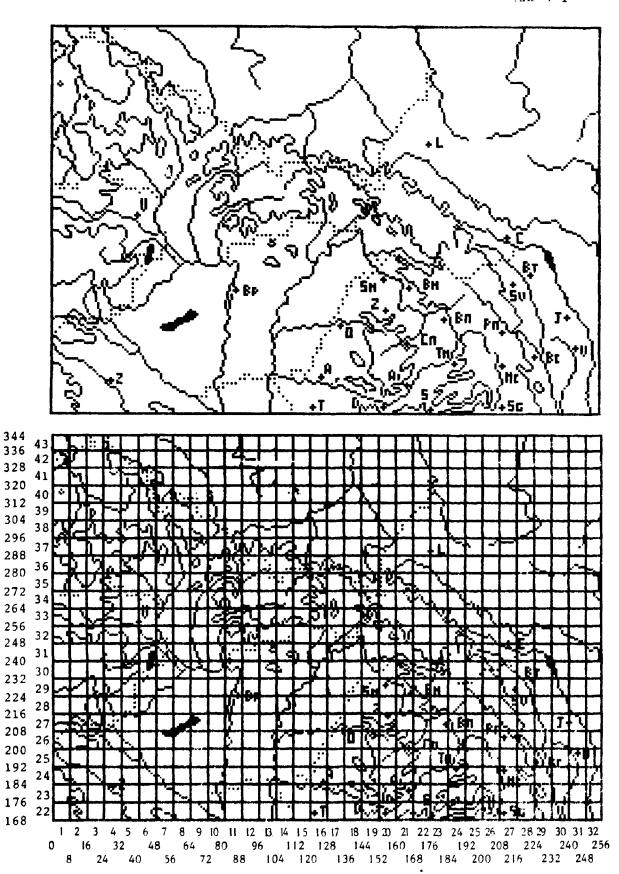
When displayed, such as during the execution of the CLOUD-computing routine, or in the Cursor mode, all quad- and pix-coordinates are those of the Reference Map. As pointed out in the main text of this manual, User should not bother himself with re-adjusting map origins when passing from one working map to another, for the program takes care of this operation. Moreover, since - given the available resolution - gridding unfortunately creates overcrowded viewfields, the grids are never displayed on monitor. It is believed that having the gridded maps aside on the desk would suffice. On the other hand, there was no real use to digitize and manipulate the Reference Map as a whole. Not only would this operation have proved RAM-consuming, but the physical, as well as graphical, resolution would have been so poor, that in the final analysis the product would have occured worthless.

The passing from one working map to another is handled via the ancillary routine NW MAP, as explained in the main text. In case of tape loading errors, do GO TO 370, which will invoke the HELP window, wherefrom NW MAP can be ordered again.

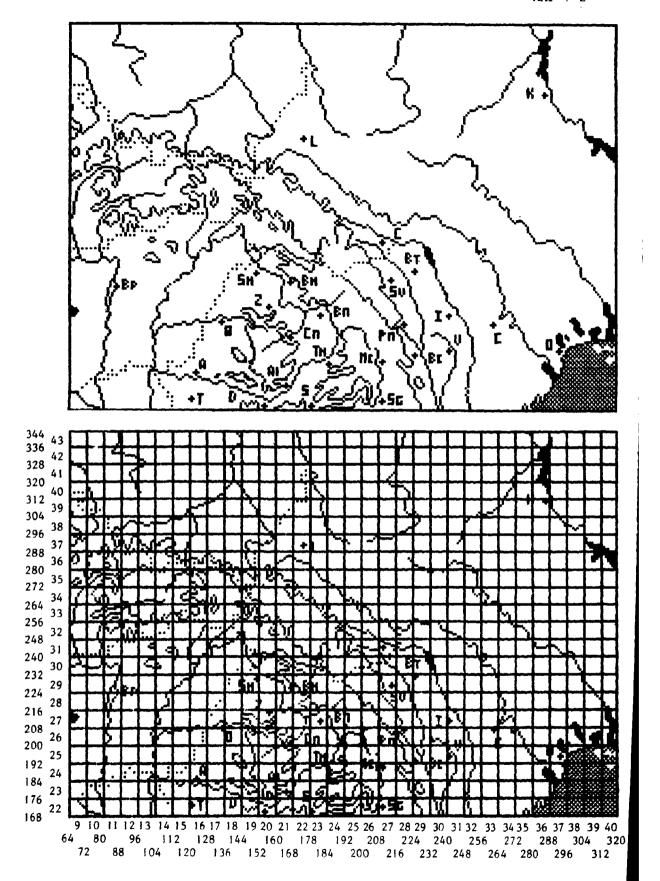
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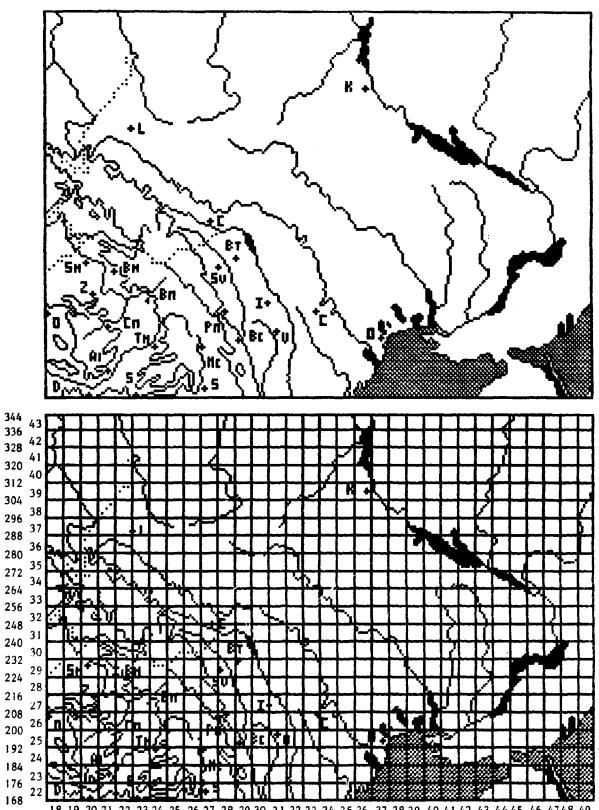
APUD'S REFERENCE MAP



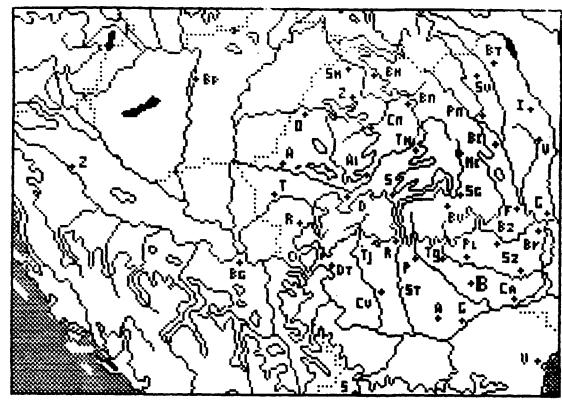


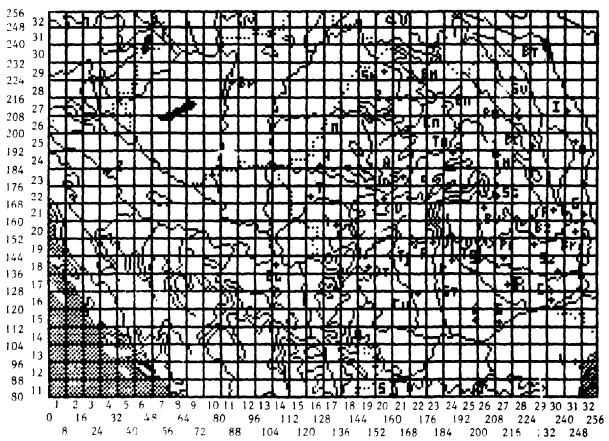
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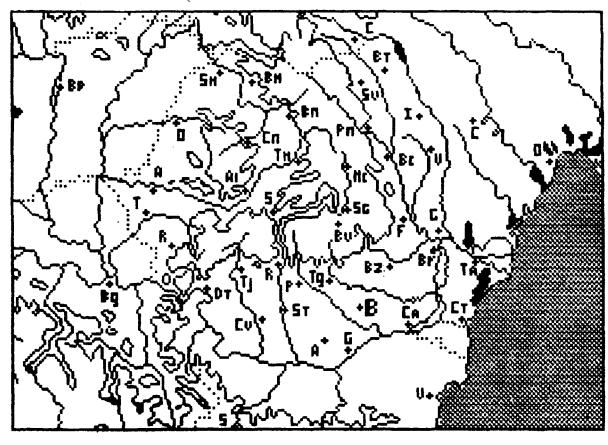


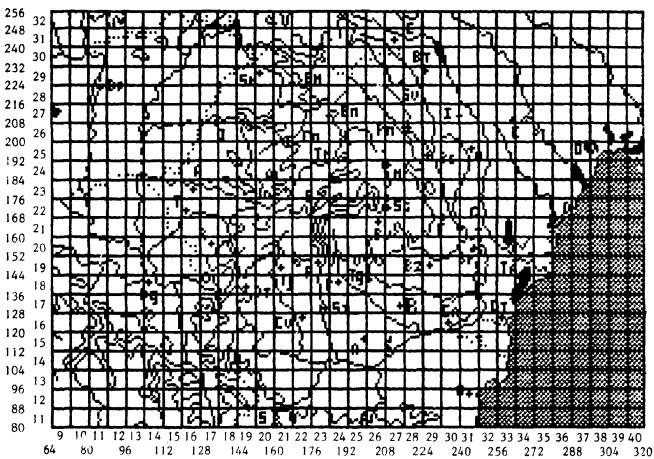


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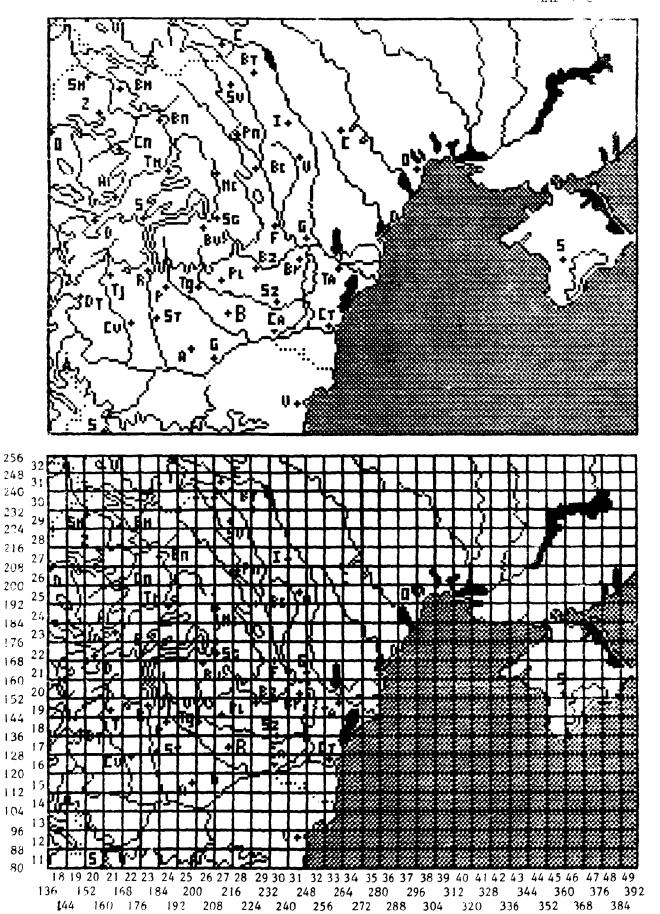


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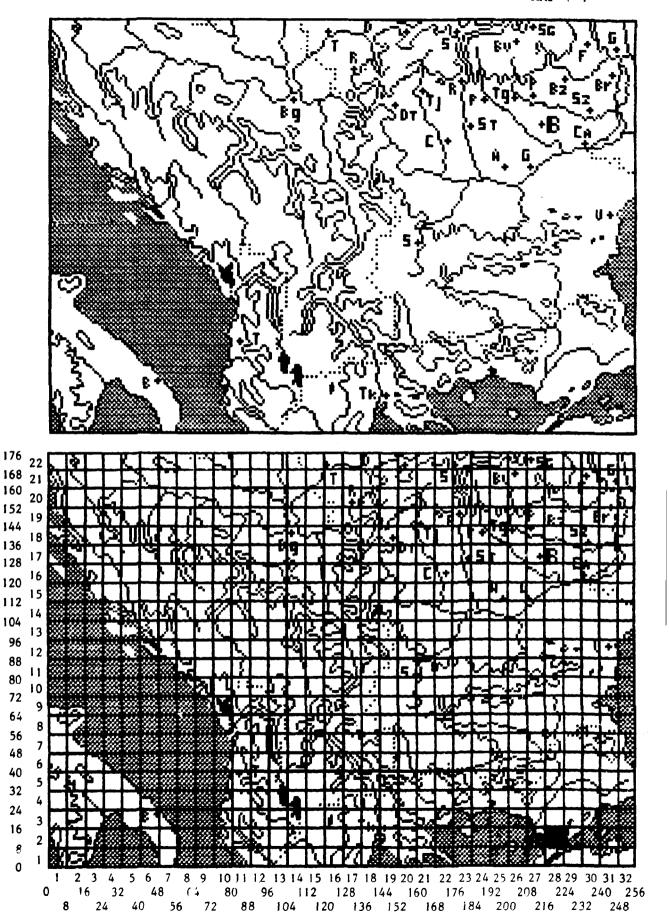
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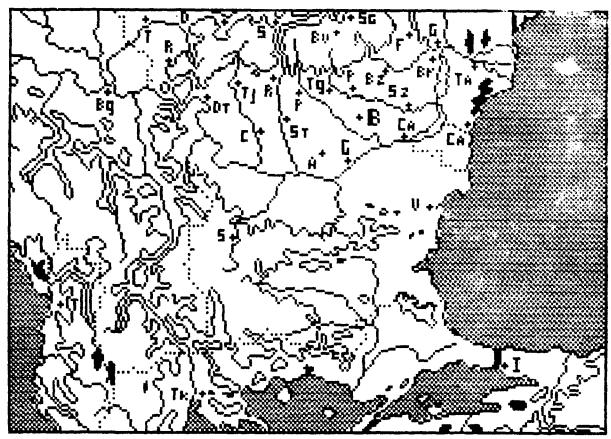
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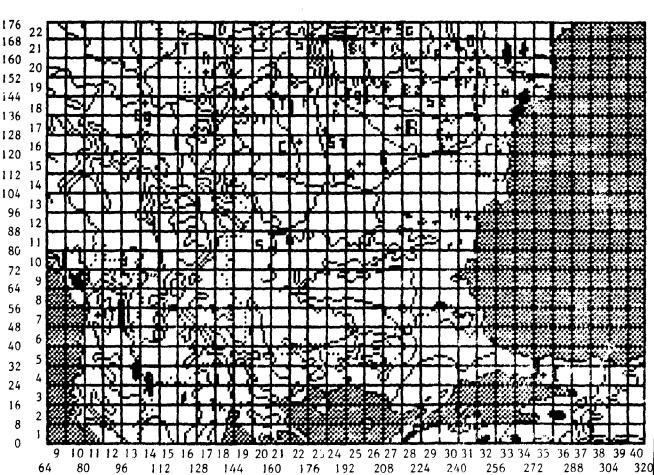
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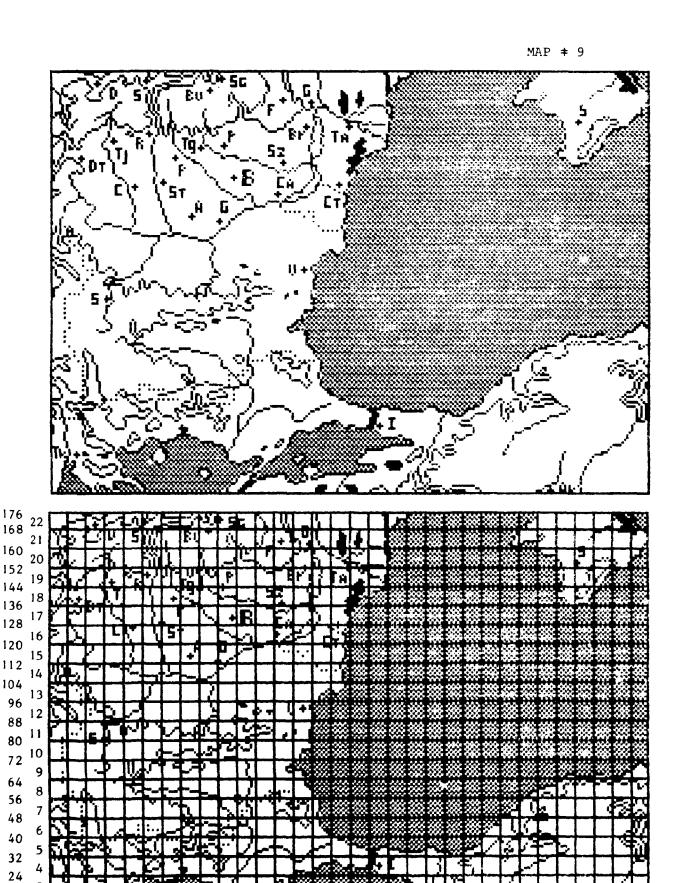


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NOTES ON PROTRACTED RELEASES

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Analytical solutions are given to the dispersal equation for atmospheric protracted releases featuring fronts of initiation, culminations, and tails of extinction, nearing in the extremes Lagrangian puffs, and Gaussian plumes, respectively. Goniometric measurements provide for inferring source terms and diffusion coefficients. The origin of unaccounted releases can also be determined. Cloud passage predictions may then be conveniently conducted.

1. THE FRAMEWORK

In consideration of recent experience [1, 2], it has been suggested [3] that procedures designed to identify and characterize radioactive releases may need to better provide for the description of protracted emissions, of various durations and time-profiles. These notes report on such an exercise [4]. Release modelling, search for source terms, and predictions on the dispersal unfolding apply here to what has been termed ([3], p. 73) "the most critical pathway, to be quickly estimated in the early phase of an accident" — the airborne activity concentration.

Conveniently written in the cloud's reference frame Oxyz, (CF), an approximate diffusion equation for the activity concentration $\rho(x, y, z; t)$ is

$$[-D_x\partial^2/\partial x^2 - D_y\partial^2/\partial y^2 - D_z\partial^2/\partial z^2 + \partial/\partial t] \rho(x,y,z;t) = \alpha(x,y,z;t), \quad (1.1)$$

where D_x , D_u , D_z are taken as effective diffusion coefficients, averaged over the time of observation and the territory in question, down-wind, crosswind, and vertically, respectively, and $\alpha(x, y, z; t)$ is the source strength. Naturally it is assumed that CF moves down-wind in the source's reference frame OXYZ, (SF), at the velocity \mathbf{v} of the average, dominant wind.

When solved [4] via the mathematical Green functions associated to its differential operator in the left-hand side, equation (1.1) gives:

$$\rho(x, y, z; t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dx' \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dy' \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dz' \cdot \int_{-\infty}^{t} dt'.$$

$$\cdot G_{z}(x - x', t - t') G_{y}(y - y', t - t') G_{z}(z - z', t - t') \cdot \alpha(x', y', z'; t') (1.2)$$

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with the following generic expression for the Green factors involved:

$$G(\xi, t) = \exp\left[-\xi^2/(4D_{\xi}t)\right]/(4\pi D_{\xi}t)^{1/2}.$$
 (1.3)

By taking the source strength in the singular form

$$\alpha(X', Y', Z'; t') = Q \cdot \delta(t') \cdot \delta(X') \delta(Y) \cdot [\delta(Z' - H) + \delta(Z' + H)] \quad (1.4)$$

where δ are Dirac functions, and defining the standard deviations $\sigma_x = \sqrt{2D_x t}$, $\sigma_y = \sqrt{2D_y t}$, $\sigma_z = \sqrt{2D_z t}$, one can easily see that the solution above meets indeed the minimal requirement of generating, as particular cases, the standard Lagrangian puff as well as the Gaussian plume, in their conventional forms (v.e.g. [3], pp. 63–66, and also [5,6]), reflection considered.

On the other hand, the potential of the solution (1.2, 3) goes beyond such results.

2. MODEL PATTERNS OF PROTRACTED RELEASES

The very notion of a radiological emergency implies a disruptive event, featuring a front of initiation, a peak of culmination, and a tail of, more or less protracted, consummation. It is therefore intuitively believed that a plausible, and general, image of a radioactive release should emulate the time-profile of the Green function of the dispersal problem — that fit the description. One therefore submits that the following function, written in SS, may properly model source strengths:

$$\alpha(X, Y, Z; t) = \theta(t) \cdot \frac{\alpha}{4\sqrt{\pi\beta}} \cdot \frac{\exp(-1/(4\beta t))}{t^{3/2}} \cdot \exp(-v^2 t/(4D_x)) \cdot \delta(X) \cdot \delta(Y) \cdot [\delta(Z - H) + \delta(Z + H)]. \tag{2.1}$$

The Heaviside, step function here duly indicates that the release is initiated in the time origin. The second and third, exponential, factors make up a function freely evoking the time-profile of the Green functions. The factor $\exp(-r^2t/(4D_{xl}))$ would describe a wind-dependent prompt depletion at source, of the cloud — a part of what is conventionally known as "onsite retention" (v.e.g. [3]). The β -factor helps shaping the time-profile of the release. A larger β would place the release peak close to the time origin, while also narrowing the width, and one is thus watching a blast (puff), or explosive release; moderate β s feature blows, whereas at smaller β the pattern of a quasi-continuous release could be fairly approached, particularly at low wind velocities. In all cases, α will fitfully second β in fixing the profile and amplitude of the release.

By integrating the source strength over the entire space and time, one finds the total activity, α_t , expected to be dispersed during the release:

$$\alpha_d = \alpha \cdot \exp(-r/(2\sqrt{3D_s})). \tag{2.2}$$

Laplace transforms were used to perform the integrals (1.2) in CS, the activity concentration finally reading, in SS:

$$\rho(X, Y, Z; t) = \frac{\alpha \cdot \exp(rX/(2D_x) - r^2t/(4D_x))}{16\pi^{3/2} (\beta D_x D_y D_z \cdot t^3)^{1/2}} \cdot \left[\beta^{1/2} + \left(\frac{X^2}{D_x} + \frac{Y^2}{D_y} + \frac{(Z - H)^2}{D_z}\right)^{-1/2} \right] \cdot \left[\exp\left\{ -\frac{1}{4t} \left[\beta^{-1/2} + \left(\frac{X^2}{D_x} + \frac{Y^2}{D_y} + \frac{(Z - H)^2}{D_z}\right)^{1/2} \right]^2 \right\}$$
(2.3)

plus a similar, reflection, term that differs only in that H changes into -H.

The model above features a full 3-dimensional anisotropic dispersal, being particularly useful at low wind velocities. On the other hand, in cases when the cloud centreline cannot be directly accessed for measurements the use of a 2-dimensional model may be in order. For a 2-d model the following source strength is proposed (in SS):

$$\alpha(X, Y, Z; t) = \theta(t) \cdot \frac{\alpha}{2\sqrt[4]{\pi\beta}} \cdot \frac{\exp(-1/(\beta t))}{t^{3/2}} \cdot \delta(X) \delta(Y) \cdot [\delta(Z - H) + \delta(Z + H)]. \tag{2.4}$$

Since it was conjectured that the "on-site retention" factor is connected to the downwind diffusion — which is precisely the aspect that is neglected in a 2-d Gaussian plume $(D_x \to 0)$, the absence of that factor is now understandable.

Again the integration over space and time gives the total dispersed activity, $\alpha_d = \alpha$.

With these, and in the limit $D_x \to 0$ solution (1.2) gives

$$\rho(X, Y, Z; t) = \theta(t - X/v) \cdot \frac{\alpha \cdot \exp\left[-1/(\beta(t - X/v))\right]}{8\pi(\pi\beta D_{\nu}D_{z})^{1/2} \cdot X \cdot (t - X/v)^{3/2}} \cdot \frac{\alpha \cdot \exp\left[-1/(\beta(t - X/v))\right]}{(X > 0)}$$

$$\cdot \exp \left[-vY^{2}/(4D_{\nu}X)\right] \cdot \exp \left[-v(Z-H)^{2}/(4D_{\nu}X)\right]$$
 (2.5)

plus the similar, reflection, term $(H \rightarrow -H)$.

The expressions (2.3, 5) have been tested numerically, showing capability to provide coverage for a large variety of releases. Samples are given in figure 1.

3. THE INVERSE PROBLEM

To track a cloud/plume back at the source, a minimal number of field measurements of concentration are required. First, a plane would fly a reconnaissance mission, cross-wind and at various altitudes, taking

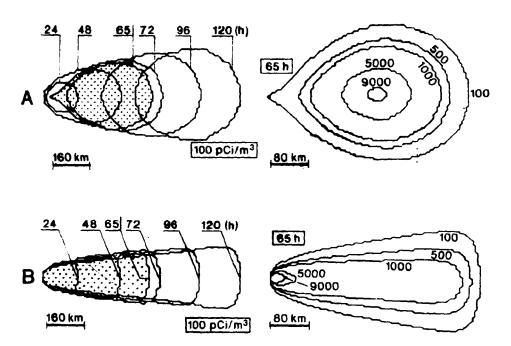


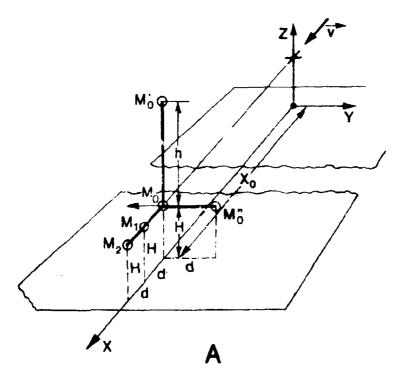
Fig. 1. — Cloud patterns, according to a 3—d model (A), and a 2—d model (B); horizontal sections at centreline altitude, at the indicated times. Left: evolvement of the 100 pCi/m³ lines of equal concentration. Right: detailed views of clouds at 65 hours into the release time (dotted areas left). Case A features: $\alpha_d = 10^7 \, \text{Ci}$; $\beta = 0.001 \, \text{s}^{-1}$; $H = 1 \, \text{km}$; $v = 7.2 \, \text{km/h}$; $D_x = D_y = 40 \, \text{km}^2/\text{h}$; $D_z = 1 \, \text{km}^2/\text{h}$. Case B: $\alpha = 10^7 \, \text{Ci}$; $\beta = 0.04 \, \text{s}^{-1}$; $H = 1 \, \text{km}$; $v = 7.2 \, \text{km/h}$; $D_y = 40 \, \text{km}^2/\text{h}$.

peak readings of exposure both cross-wind and vertically, in order to determine whether the cloud centreline crosses the accessible territory, and also its elevation, H.

In case of a direct blow (centreline crossing accessible territory, 3-d modelling), the inference procedure would require that five planes measure three times, at equal intervals, the airborne activity concentration flying cross-wind in the configuration indicated in figure 2A. Assuming that source and assessment theatre are far apart, cloud reflection can be neglected; by the same token one can safely assume the source at barometric height 0.

The following table of inputs can then be drawn:

Measuring unit (coordinates in SS)	Measured concentrations at time $T_1 \qquad T_4 \qquad T_3$ $(T_3 - T_2 = T_2 - T_1)$		
$M_0(X_0, 0, H)$	P01	Poz	Pes
$M_1(X_0 + d, 0, H)$	ρ11	ρ_{12}	ρ13
$M_2(X_0 + 2d, 0, H)$	Pat	ρ_{22}	= =====
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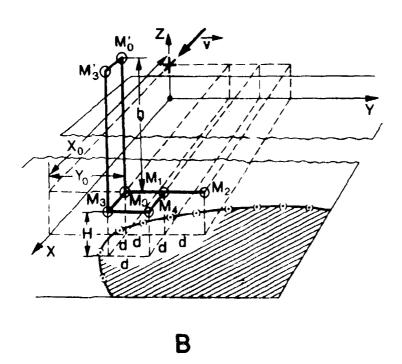


Fig. 2.— Goniometry of direct (A), and indirect (B), blows. Small circles indicate airborne measuring units. Stars locate virtual centres of dispersion, at elevation H above sources.

Some appropriate algebra [4] on their explicit expressions proves that these quantities are sufficient for inferring the results given in the following Table of outputs:

$$\begin{aligned} & L_{01}^{12} = \ln \left(\frac{\rho_{12}}{\rho_{11}} \cdot \frac{\rho_{01}}{\rho_{02}} \right); \quad L_{02}^{12} = \ln \left(\frac{\rho_{12}}{\rho_{21}} \cdot \frac{\rho_{01}}{\rho_{02}} \right); \quad L_{02}^{23} = \ln \left(\frac{\rho_{13}}{\rho_{12}} \cdot \frac{\rho_{02}}{\rho_{02}} \right) \\ & M_{012}^{12} = L_{01}^{12} / L_{02}^{12}; \quad N_{01}^{123} = L_{01}^{12} / L_{01}^{23} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Time of origin} & T_{0} = (T_{0} - T_{1} \cdot N_{01}^{123}) / (1 - N_{01}^{123}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Down-wind diff. cff.} & D_{x} = d^{2} M_{012}^{12} / (T_{2} - T_{1}) / (2L_{012}^{12}) / (1 - 2M_{012}^{12}) / (T_{1} - T_{0}) / (T_{2} - T_{0}) / (T_{2} - T_{0}) / (T_{2} - T_{0}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Source coordinate} & N_{0} = d \cdot \left\{ \frac{\rho_{01}}{\rho_{11}} \cdot \frac{\exp\left\{ -\frac{T_{2} - T_{0}}{T_{1} - T_{2}} L_{01}^{12} \left[1 - \frac{u}{d} (T_{1} - T_{0}) \frac{1 - 2M_{012}^{12}}{M_{012}^{12}} \right] \right\} - 1 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Blast factor} & \beta &= D_{x} / \left[d(4M_{012}^{12} - 1) / (2 - 4M_{012}^{12})^{-1} - X_{0} \right]^{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\end{aligned} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Vertical diff. cff.} & D_{z} &= h^{2} \cdot \left\{ \left\{ 2 \sqrt{\frac{(T_{1} - T_{0}) (T_{2} - T_{0})}{T_{2} - T_{1}}} \left\{ \ln \left(\frac{T_{3} - T_{0}}{T_{1} - T_{0}} \right) \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{\rho_{02}'}{\rho_{01}'} + \frac{\nu^{3}}{4D_{x}} (T_{2} - T_{1}) \right\} - \\ & - \frac{1}{\sqrt{\rho}} \right\}^{2} - \frac{N_{0}^{2}}{D_{x}} \right\}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

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$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Source strength parameter} \end{aligned}$$

$$\alpha &= 16\pi^{\frac{3}{2}} \sqrt{D_{x}D_{y}D_{x}} \left(T_{1} - T_{0} \right) \frac{3}{2} \frac{N_{0}}{\sqrt{\frac{D_{x}}{\beta} + X_{0}}} \cdot \exp\left\{ \frac{\nu^{3}}{4D_{x}} \left(T_{1} - T_{0} \right) - \frac{v}{2D_{x}} X_{0} + \frac{1}{4(T_{1} - T_{0})D_{x}} \left(\sqrt{\frac{D_{x}}{\beta} + X_{0}} \right)^{3} \right\} \rho_{01} \end{aligned}$$

$$\end{aligned}$$

Note: quantities displayed in the order of consecutive construction

In case of an *indirect blow* (centreline outside the accessible teritory, 2-d modelling), the inference procedure would require seven planes (v. fig. 2B) to probe the air, at one given time — which is natural considering the need to determine one more source coordinate, Y_0 . Algebraic manipulation

helped, similarly, building tables of inputs and outputs (for details, v. [4]).

All expressions in the output tables can be, of course, subject to further refinements concerning fallout, precipitations, and radioactive decay, depletions. Numerical simulations and comparison with reference data [7—10] have indicated that, in spite of a certain sensitivity of the inferred source terms to the accuracy in the input, this line of action may work satisfactorily to the effect of providing first-run assessments. Moreover, it is remarkably inexpensive as far as computational means, and time. Further model refinements, as well as repeated field probing, good statistics and iterative codes could improve performance and reliability.

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