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OF BURNING

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For this purpose a series of simplified and idealized implosion runs were carried out ("Gambit"; Report PM-B-22 by L. Wilets and W. Aron). The primary simplification made throughout is that the pressure is assumed to be given by predetermined, externally applied function. For most of the runs, this function was a crude fit to the pressure which occurred in the

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MATTERHORN HISTORY

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EXPERIENCE GAINED ADDS 24 SCIENTISTS TO U. S. NUCLEAR PHYSICS RESERVE FOR CASE OF NATIONAL EMERGENCY. PRESENT POSITIONS LISTED.

Matterhorn was conceived after President Truman's December 1950 Declaration of Emergency as a project to help Los Alamos overcome shortage of theoretical manpower that hampered the thermonuclear program. By the end of February 1951 informal agreement on plans was reached between Los Alamos and (Continued on Page 58)

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a PM-B number, under which it can be obtained from the Report Library, Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, Attention: Report Librarian. Forty to fifty copies of each have been sent to Los Alamos. (2) Unclassified and therefore unnumbered technical reports are also listed below. These bear on their covers a Princeton date line, but in compliance with security requirements carry no Matterhorn or Los Alamos heading. Multiple copies of these again have been or are being sent to the Los Alamos Document Room for whatever future distribution requirements may arise.

(3) Classified monthly reports, of which on the average only about five copies were issued, to a small Los Alamos approved distribution list. These also are identified by PM-B numbers as follows: 3, 4, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 16, 19, 21, 24, and 25. (4) Print-outs of numerical results obtained in CPC, SEAC, and UNIVAC calculations. The more important of these results are summarized in graphs in the technical reports (Item 1, above).

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To facilitate this reference: (a) All print-outs not destroyed for reasons of obsolescence have been bound up carefully in a number of separate volumes, problem by problem. (b) These volumes are all being sent to Los Alamos Report Library with request that they be kept in a special file as irreplacable reference material. (c) Each volume bears a cover sheet which catalogues the volume according to print-out number (such as PM-PO-13), tells the name of those familiar with the problem, and makes reference to the technical report where further details will be found. (d) A catalogue of these print-out numbers and correlated technical report numbers follows below. (5) In electronic calculations required on the more extensive problems it was necessary to make so-called flow charts, code edits, and sometimes books of instructions for the shift operator who ran the computer. Where it seems possible that Los Alamos may wish to request of UNIVAC or SEAC the running of new versions of these problems, this unclassified material has been prepared in two copies, bound up, labelled with print-out numbers beginning with 1000 (such as PM-PO-1022, copy 1 of 2). In each case copy 1 goes to Los Alamos and copy 2 goes to the computing agency (for UNIVAC, Dr. Eliezer Bromberg and Dr. Eugene Isaacson, Institute of Mechanics and Applied Mathematics, New York University; for SEAC, Dr. Joseph Wegstein and Dr. Ralph Slutz, National Bureau of Standards, Washington). This material is also catalogued below in cross-reference to technical report numbers (PM-B-35, etc). (6) Magnetic tape recording of initial conditions and coded operating instructions for the more important problems, ready for insertion in the UNIVAC. One hundred and seven reels of tapes so prepared and labelled were shipped from Remington Rand, Philadelphia to the New York University UNIVAC, on 15 May 1953 and about the same time two reels

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of tapes dealing with Problem Macbeth were shipped to the same destination (a total of 109 reels). All this tape material has been prepared in duplicate, with both copies going to New York University, to take care of the possibilities of tape breakage; accidental erasure due to operator error, etc. (7) Classified working notebooks of individual Matterhorn members, returned to Los Alamos for safekeeping (not listed below). There follows the cross reference catalog and then the annotated list of technical report titles, and finally the catalog of magnetic tapes.

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Correlation of Reports and Print-Outs

Star " indicates that magnetic tape recordings have been prepared in duplicate.

General Field	Report Numbers & Problem Names	Print-Outs	Flow Charts Code Edits Operator In- structions
DELETED	PM-B-1 (early summary) PM-B-2 (qualitative theory of steady state flames) PM-B-8 (kinetics of burn-		PM-PO-16 Flow Chart
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	DELETED	PN-P0-77-78 PN-P0-16l ₁ -168 PN-P0-79	
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	Unclassified: Existence, uniqueness, stability of Steady State (by Layzer)	- - - 	PM-P0~81
Surmary of burning work	DELETED	PM-PO-30 DOE b(3)	
	PM-B-37 Final Report		

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Steady-state burning (SEAC)	•	PM-PO-124-139 141 Pr-PO-143-145	
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		CF P1'-P0-147-155 157-160-162-3	
Ignition and approach to steady state (UNITVAC)	DELETED	P1P0-67-74 PM-P0-67-68	PN-PO-1020-1031 1036-1038 n n n n
		PM-P0-03-92 PM-P0-69-74	PM-PO-102C-1029 1032-1033 PM-PO-1020-1031
		PM-PO-107-112	1036-1038 Pr-po-1020-1029 1032-1035
		PM-PO-93-106	PM-P0-1020-1029 1032-1035 1039
Pure radial burning		PM-PO-56-66	PY-PO-1014-1019
Implosion and equa- tion of state		Pi(-P0-1-30-32-	PM-PO-1012-1013
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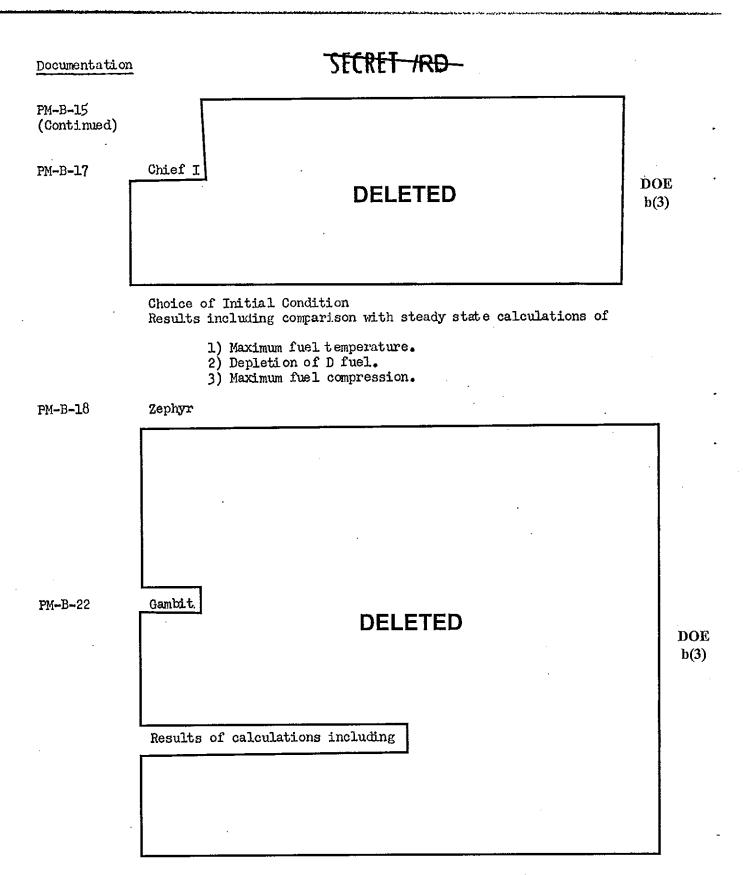
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General Field	Report Humbers & Problem Names	Print-Outs	Flow Charts Code Edits Operator In- structions
DEL	ETED	PM-P0-120 DOE b(3)	
	Unclassified: Proposed calculation for compressible fluids (Pennington)	PM-PO-116-119	PM-PO-1001-1007 1041-1042
	DELETED	DOE b(3)	
	Variational Principle (Cartor) Approach to Calculation for Co. pressible Fluids (Carter)		
	DELETED	DOE b(3)	
Miscellaneous	PM-B-23 Natterhorn Thermo- nuclear Conference	' [-	
	Sumatrata Opacity	PM-PO-121-122 PT-PO-123	
	Duplicate cover sheets of all sets of Matter- horn printouts, bound together	PH-PO-174 (Compilation)	

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	Classified Reports of Project Matterhorn-Div (Excluding Nonthly Reports)	ision B DOE
PM-B-1.	DELETED	b(3)
	Theory of ignition temperature for infinite masstemperature allowing only for radiation loss.	Same for finite
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	Theory of appearance of shocks in steady state burn	ning.
PM-B-2	Qualitative Behaviour of Plane Steady State Detona	tion Waves
	Detonation Waves without Losses	
	 Solution without losses. Solution with losses. Application to deuterium burning. 	,
	Detonation Waves with Losses	
	 Solution without losses. Solution with losses. 	
PM-B-8	The Kinetics of the Burning of Deuterium	
	Influence of T induction period and n - He^3 reaction of pure D under idealizations.	on on burning
	1) Local deposition of reaction energies to 2)	o products.
РМ-В-Ц	An Explanation of Chief Listings	·
PM-B-15	Swordtail I	
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PM-B-23	Matterhorn Thermonuclear Conference.
	General discussion of results of "Ivy" shot
	1) Yield estimates from other than radio-chemical sources. 2) Radio-chemical detectors, and predicted yield therefrom. 3) Neutron economy. 4) Radiative yield. 5) Detoration velocity. 6) Tenex results. 7) DELETED DOE 8) Summary of calculated predictions. b(3)
PM-B-26	Swordtail II
	Results of Steady State Burning (PM-B-15) up to September 1952
Р м- В - 27	Swordtail III - Dressed Swordtail Equations DELETED
PN-B-28	Swordtail IV - Derivation of "Wardrobe" Equation
PM-B-29	Swordtail V - Results of Steady State Burning

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PM-B-30	Chief III, IV, V. DELETED	DOE b(3)
	Burning with extremely poor implosion (Chief IV).	
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PM-B-31 [Zephyr-Tiger Report	
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PM-B-32	Zip DELETED	
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	Results and detailed summary table of all Zip problems.	
PM-B-33	Black Mollie	
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PM-B-34	Critique			
	Summary and appraisal Project Matterhorn - D	of results of all wordivision B.	rk carried out by	٠
P11-B-35	Shakespeare			
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P11-B-36	Tomny			
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PM-B-37	Final Report		,	 .
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Unclassified Reports

Existence, Uniqueness and Stability of the Steady State in One-Dimensional Flame Propagation - Layzer

Theory of free adiabatic one-dimensional flame propagation in the steady state allowing for diffusion, but limited for simplicity to case of single chemical reaction as heat source.

Discussion of continuous and discrete solutions for the mass velocity and perturbation of these.

Single Reaction Flames: Approximate Determination of Flame Speeds and Flame Widths - Layzer

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Prictical Determination of Flame Speeds with Neglect of Diffusion - Goerss, Layzer

polution of equation of above report on CPC calculation by Runge-Kutta method, ignoring diffusion.

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On the Weak and Strong Stability of Humerical Solutions of Partial Differential Equations 1-: The Heat Equation - Bellman

Considerations of stability in the approximation of partial differential equations by finite difference equations appropriate for use in electronic calculating machines.

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Enclosure Block #	Library-Gambit-Black Mollie Item	Number of blocks
1	Mark VI	1
2-19	Cornflakes Inst	18
20 - 36	Sleepy Inst	17
37 - 53	White Inst	17
37 - 53 54 - 86	Gambit Inputs	33ું
87 - 122	BMI dump 11.2	36
123 - 147	" Tape 3	25
148 - 149	II Problem Reader	ź
150 - 160	" Tape 3	11
161 - 185	" Tape 6	25
186 - 188	" Input B	3
189 - 206	Gambit 100 inst	3 18
207 - 224	Gambit 200 inst	18
725 - 242	Gambit 300 inst	18

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TAPES RELEVANT TO MATTERHORN PROBLEMS Chief, Zephyr, Tiger, Zip series

Tape #	Problem	Contents	#Blocks
OOXX	Chief I	Merged tape 2's	1000
1316	11	58	1000
1672	Chief III	Instructions and tape 2's	923
3754	11	15	923
2344	Chief IV	Merged tape 2's	1500
2267	55	11	1400
1923	Chief V	Instructions and tape 2's	936
2483	H	11	936
2315	Zephyr I	ŧi	1514
2421	tt	H	1514
CAL 108	Zephyr II	u .	1614
T 125		tt	1614
4347	Zephyr XXII Zephyr XXIII	11	1126
2795	я	н	1126
2714	Zephyr III	Generator and tape 2's	1505
2151	11	и	1505
2918	11	Instructions and tape 2's	1234
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Tape #	Problem	Contents	#Blocks
X514	Zephyr V	Merged tape 2's	1300
2506	11	tt .	1300
4599	Zephyr V Zephyr XXV	Instructions and tape 2's	1147
3455	Zephyr V Zephyr XXV	Instructions and tape 2's	1147
2345	Zephyr VI	tt.	1134
AT 102	11	11	1134
3932	Zip I	Merged tape 2's	1200
5815	\$1	tf	1500
1497	ŧı	11	1500
2506	Ħ	1t	1500
5029	Zip XXI	Instructions and tape 2's	934
4836	tt	ss	934
2619	Zip III	Merged tape 2's	1500
3389	Ð	If	1500
2682	Zip IV	Instructions and tape 2's	1423
4336	tt.	H .	1423
2469 .	Tiger I	II	1133
2359	11	II .	1133

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TAPES RELEVANT TO MATTERHORN PROBLEMS Chief, Zephyr, Tiger, Zip series

Tape #	Problem	Contents	#Blocks
2461	Tiger II	Merged tape 2's	1100
1744	SE	0 .	1100
2370	. 11	tt	1000
3581	f s	11	1000
2678	u	Instructions and tape 2's	1233
5346	Tiger II	Instructions and tape 2's	1233
2879	Tiger III	Merged tape 2's	1000
3724	tr .		1000
1767		Instructions and tape 2's	1523
3216	tt.	11	1523
2486	Zip X	Merged tape 2's	1900
4920	11	II	1900
нс495	Zip X, XI	Instructions and tape 2's	568
1868	14	Instructions and tape 2's	568
4346 ·	Zip III	Instructions and tape 2's	1033
2276	ff	ıı	1033
2679	Zip XXIII	Merged tape 2's	500
5044	Zip XXIII	st .	500

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TAPES RELEVANT TO MATTERHORN PROBLEMS Chief, Zephyr, Tiger, Zip series

Tape #	Problem	Contents	#Blocks
3813	Zip XI	Tape 2:N 400	100
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4845	**	Merged tape 2's	1400
4821	11	at .	1400
2597	Zephyr XXV Zip II Tiger	Instructions	200
4627	II	It	200
4633	Zip II	Initial Data	100
2499	58	Tape 2: N 050	100
2466	11	Tape 2: N 100	100
2388	se ·	Tape 2: N 140	100
2427	If	U	100
R 153	Chief-Zephyr	Generators	11
R 443	Zip	ii ,	11
4592	Zip IV, XXI	Final instructions	67
4344	rr .	В	67
5031	Zip and Tiger	Generators, Graph Edit	52
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2618	Graph edit	10 F-8	14
2748	Zephyr IV	K cycle instructions	13
2043	Chief	Consolidated instructions	91

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The following booklets were sent to New York UNIVAC from Philadelphia, Remington Rand, relative to the above magnetic tapes and problems:

- 1. Chief I
 Problem constants and Printouts to N 360 Ap.02
- Chief III
 Problem constants, Initial Data and scattered Printouts to
 N 220 Δρ .02
- 3. Chief IV
 Problem constants, Initial Data Generator, and Printouts to N 495 Ap .02
- 4. Chief V Problem constants, Initial Data Generator, and Printouts to N 360 Δρ .02
- 5. Zephyr I
 Problem constants, Initial Data Generator Zephyr I and II, and
 Printouts to N 320 \(\textstyle \rightarrow \).02
- 6. Zephyr II and XXII Problem constants, Printouts Zephyr II to N 450 Δρ.02, and Printouts Zephyr XXII to N 020 Δρ.02 (For Initial Data see Tiger III)
- 7. Zephyr III and XXIII
 Problem constants, Initial Data, Printouts
 Zephyr III to N 850 \$\Delta\rho\$.02, and Printouts
 Zephyr XXIII to N 350 \$\Delta\rho\$.02
- 8. Zephyr IV
 Problem constants and scattered Printouts
- 9. Zephyr V and XXV
 Problem constants, Printouts Zephyr V to N 300 Δρ.02, and
 Printouts Zephyr XXV to N 260 Δρ.02
- 10. Zephyr VI
 Problem constants, Auto Comparison of Zephyr VI and Tiger I
 Initial Data, and Printouts to N 390 Δρ.02
- 11. Tiger I
 Problem constants, Initial Data, and Printouts to N 400 Δρ.02
- 12. Tiger II

 Printouts to N 790 Δ/2.02

 (For Initial Data see Zephyr III)

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- 13. Tiger III
 Initial Data and Printouts to N 850 Δ/ .02
- 14. Zip I and XXI

 Handwritten Problem Constants, Two blocks of Initial Data used in Taper Generator, Printouts Zip I to N 480 \$\Delta\rho\$.02, and Printouts Zip XXI to N 330 \$\Delta\rho\$.02
- 15. Zip II
 Printouts to N 140 Δρ .005
- 16. Zip III and XXIII Two block Initial Data used in Taper Generator, Printouts Zip III to N 650 Δρ .02, and Printouts Zip XXIII from N 650 to N 770 Δρ .02
- 17. Zip IV Handwritten Problem Constants and Printouts to N 380 Δ / .02
- 18. Zip X
 Problem constants, Initial Data, and Printouts to N 670 Δρ .02
- 19. Zip XI
 Problem constants, Initial Data, and Printouts to N 470 Δρ.02
- 20. Duplicate Copy Chief Instructions unannotated
- 21. Duplicate Copy Zephyr and Zip I Series Instructions unannotated
- 22. Duplicate Copy Tiger and Zip X Series Instructions unannotated
- 23. Duplicate Copy Main Edit Instructions unannotated
- 24. Duplicate Copy Taper Generator Instructions
- 25. Code Check of Zip I Series Instructions
- 26. Duplicate Copy of Operating Instructions and Routine Description
- 27. Ozalid Masters of Flow Charts and Tape Layout
 - a. J Cycle Chief (same for all problems except for equations)
 - b. Old K Cycle Chief
 - c. New K Cycle Chief (same for all problems except for equations)
 - d. Main Edit Chief (same for all problems)
 - e. Tape Layout Chief (slight changes for other problems)
- 28. Photostatic Negatives of Problem Constants 47 pages

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The following table summarizes the status of Matterhorn problems insofar as recorded on the preceding magnetic tapes (a guide for anyone wishing to run a problem to a later time to secure more detail about progress of burning, etc., in any of the listed types of thermonuclear devices).

ı.	Chief I	Finished at N 400 K 066	delta rho .02
2.	Chief III	Finished at N 220	delta rho .02
3.	Chief IV	Finished at N 540 K 100	delta rho .02
4.	Chief V	Generated from end point of Chief IV Finished at N 360 K 100	delta rho .02
5.	Zephyr I	Finished at N 320	delta rho .02
6.	Zephyr II	Finished at N 450	delta rho .02
7.	Zephyr XXII	Generated from Zephyr II at N 450, X changes Run to N 090 If this is to be continued, the Generator must be used to cut of first 20 zones and taper the the next 5 zones. This is to be until K active equals 40 or quastabilize.	delta rho .02 Taper off the s for e run
8.	Zephyr III	Finished at N 850 K 049	delta rho .02
9.	Zephyr XXIII	Generated from Zephyr III at N 850, changed Run to N 350 K 049 To be run until K active equals 52 of quantities stabilize	delta rho .02
10.	Zephyr IV	Generated from Zephyr III at N 400 Experiment with z formula Finished at N 250	delta rho .01 delta rho .02
11.	Zephyr V	Finished at N 300	delta rho .02
12.	Zephyr XXV	Generated from Zephyr V at N 300, X3 changed Finished at N 260 K 040	
13.	Zephyr VI	Finished at N 390	delta rho .02
14.	Tiger I	Finished at N 400	delta rho .02

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15.	Tiger II	Finished at N 790	delta rho .02
16.	Tiger III	Finished at N 850	delta rho .02
17.	Zip I	Finished at N 500 K 049	delta rho .02
18.	Zip XXI	Generated from Zip I at N 500, a ₃₁ & Finished at N 330 K 070	a ₃₂ changed delta rho .02
19.	Zip II	Run to N 140 a ₃₁ & a ₃₂ to be changed and proble to be continued	delta rho .005
20.	Zip III	Finished at N 650	delta rho .02
21.	Zip XXIII	Continued from Zip III, a 31 & a 32 ch Run to N 769 If this is to be continued, N 769 be changed to N 119. To be run unti- ties stabilize.	delta rho .02 should
22.	Zip IV	Finished at N 380 K 035	delta rho .02
23.	Zip X	Run to N 670 If this is to be continued, overfluest be corrected. To be run to N 70 or until quantities stabilize.	
24.	Zip XI	Run to N 470 If this is to be continued, overflowers be corrected. To be run until lor quantities stabilize.	

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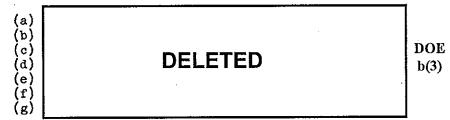
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The factors a, b, and c were varied and considered in some detail. Factors d and e were generally standardized at values which other calculations had shown to be reasonable.

The principal factors considered in the burning calculations are the following:



Details of these calculations are presented in the critique report PM-B-34 and the other reports to which it makes reference.

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quantities to a number of the order of 15000 were taken into account, each being calculated for a number of times of the order of 1000 during the burning process.

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In this diagram the horizontal scale gives distance in cm and the vertically plotted numbers, multiplied by 20, give temperatures in kev; and the curves are labelled by the times at which they were calculated, expressed in shakes (10-8 sec).	
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Once a steady state is attained, evidently the state of affairs at any one point is identical with that at any other point, except for a difference in the time at which things start. To study this condition there is consequently no need to deal with a 100 slice problem; one slice is enough. The problem then becomes sufficiently simple to handle on the Washington SEAC. The nature of the problem is now changed. Instead of the problem being started off in any one of a number of ways, all of which lead to the same steady state conditions, the temperature regarded as a function of time - takes off from zero in a perfectly well prescribed way, once an assumption is made about the speed of the steady state flame. But the further course of the calculation leads to unreasonable results - such as a temperature curve rising to infinity as time progresses - because the assumed value of the flame velocity was incorrectly

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chosen. Physically, the flame will burn that fast, but only if a great additional source of heat follows along some distance behind to keep it going that fast. The necessity for such an extraneous source (or sink) for heat is only avoided for one particular choice of the flame velocity. Its value is found by rerunning the problem repeatedly, using a procedure of trial and error.

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The UNIVAC ignition calculation in such a case shows a flame front which, starting with the moment of ignition, grows steeper and steeper as it moves forward, and approaches as close to a shock as permitted by the finite grid of the calculations. Some progress has been made in finding a way to analyze the shock type of burning (see item "Flameson" under the section of this report called "Simplified Analysis of Burning") but as yet this method of analysis has not been applied to burning calculations of the completeness and complexity of Swordtail. To do so will be an important item for the future evaluation of low compression, low yield devices.

Typical results of a steady state burning problem are collected in Figs 2 - 7, taken from the Swordtail Report PM-B-26 of Kenneth Ford and John Toll.

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This brief resume of the main features of burning opens the way to a more detailed discussion (largely based on the work of K. W. Ford) of the influence of each factor in turn upon output. For this purpose it is appropriate to compare problems in which other factors are as nearly as possible alike.

1. Comparison of two different ways of doing the same problem (steady state on SEAC; ignition and approach to steady state on UNIVAC.

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The SEAC problem has the designation SWORDTAIL 112 (report PM-B-26) and the UNIVAC problem is CHIEF I (report PM-B-17). A bird's-eye view of the results of the ignition version is provided by Figs 8, 9, and 10, taken from the CHIEF report. The formulations of the two problems had nearly the same basis, except for a slight difference in formulae used to represent the D-D cross section:

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Princeton University, and on June 28, 1951, Subcontract 50-6 of Contract J-7405 ling. 36 was signed between the Regents of the University of California and Princeton University. Work began on May 25, 1951 in the Matterhorn premises, a guarded steel building 2 miles from the University campus at the newly acquired James Forrestal Research Center.

Personnel Recruiting

Beginning early in March 1951 letters were written to all known suitable U. S. theoretical physicists and applied mathematicians - a total of over 140 people .requesting participation in a program of assessment and primordial design work on thermonuclear weapons. Reasons cited for the request were: (1) The difficult world situation and the need for assuring "peace through strength." (2) The importance of atomic weapons - and therefore of conceivable thermonuclear improvements - in the overall picture of U. S. war potential, relative to all other means of exerting power. "At peak production during war II we turned out about 4 kilotons a day in conventional high explosives. In the crude and highly arbitrary measure of total energy release this output means one fifth conventional atomic bomb per day, or in 700 days, 140 old fashioned atomic bombs. For comparison take any newspaper guess as to atomic bomb output." (3) Dismaying shortage of people on the idea assessment and primordial design end. "You would make percentage-wise more difference there than anywhere else in the national picture."

Matterhorn recruiting was cleared through Los Alamos to avoid interference. following is a passage from a typical recruiting letter: "By carbon copy of this letter to Dr. Carson Mark, head of the Theoretical Division of the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory, I am notifying him of our request for help in our program of assistance to the Los Alamos Laboratory. It is conceivable that Dr. Mark, or some other member of the Los Alamos Laboratory, may approach you with a request that you assist directly at Los Alamos itself. In this case I would like to advise you to consider such a request more seriously. The program of experimental and theoretical work going on at Los Alamos, in connection with which we are assisting on the theoretical end, is so important that anyone who is willing to assist, whether there or here, especially at this time, will be doing a great service."

Typical of the great number of "No" replies were:

- B: "Unwilling to give up University work for this type of defense
- C: Refused, working at Brookhaven, would get lower salary at Princeton.
- \mathbf{E} : "Recently accepted position at Hughes Aircraft."
- "I do not wish to take part in the project you mention. F expectation value of the usefulness of my work is greatest on the hypothesis that I stick to my teaching job here."
- F Continuing post-Ph. D. study abroad.
- G: Going to position with higher salary at Applied Physics Laboratory.
- Κ: "I believe that my development into an accomplished physicist would best be served by continuing here at H. in my present capacity."

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N: Desires to continue academic work.

S: "I cannot possibly come. I am unwilling to consider at this time contributing directly to our war potential."

Numerous responsible men were impressed by the national need and took part - some for six months, some for a year, and some for the whole 25 Nay 1951 - Spring 1953 period of the project. The se who did come fell into two groups - young men who had just recently received their Ph. D's (or were in some cases in process of getting them; and a few older men with established positions who could secure leave of absence for the work. No one who was already well started on the early part of his career took part, except H. Pierre Noyes, whose help was much appreciated. In a number of cases better paying offers elsewhere were given up because of the feeling of urgency and patriotic obligation connected with the Matterhorn work. The membership of the project averaged 13 physicists, document custodian, secretary, three computers, and an IBM electronic computer staff of two. The associated computing facilities (IBM, New York and Princeton; UNIVAC, Philadelphia; and SEAC, Washington) greatly multiplied the working power of this group.

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was conducted in separate premices at the Forrestal Research Center. Adding a man to the staff at the date he could make, instead of at the uncertain date of his clearance, made the difference in several cases between getting the man and not getting him.

Within Princeton Iniversity, "roject Natterhorn operated on a non-departmental basis under the jurisdiction of a management committee drawn from several divisions of the University, with Professor Lyman Spitzer, Jr., as chairman. Professor John A. Wheeler was scientific director of the project, and the associate director was Dr. John S. Toll. Though thermonuclear weapons or "burning" work (Division B) in the Natterhorn building at Princeton's Forrestal Research Center comes to an end in the spring of 1953, there will continue in the same building an entirely distinct project, under the scientific direction of Professor Spitzer, and under the auspices of the ACC Division of Research (Natterhorn, Division S), concerned with the desgin of a "Stellarator", or controlled thermonuclear reactor.

Computing Facilities

Before IBM equipment was available in Princeton, use was made of IBM facilities in New York. Later on even more extensive use was made of AEC-arranged computing facilities on SEAC in Washington and UNIVAC in Philadelphia. The staffs at these locations, under the direction of John Sheldon, Joseph Wegstein, Herbert Mitchell, Edward Cushen and Paul Chinitz, rultiplied the effectiveness of Natterhorn personnel.

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Later work made the models more and more complicated - - but at the same time more accurate - - by taking into account simultaneously the maximum number of physical processes known to influence the burning significance. Further description of the way of work at Matterhorn is extracted from a letter written to an applied mathematician who wanted to know enough to decide whether to join: "There is then the problem of writing down the equations to describe that model. Some of the quantities which enter these equations are empirical functions. Various among us here have specialized in one or another aspect of the physics of our own problems, so that we are fairly well equipped with the empirical functions that we need for a wide class of problems. The equations once formulated, we would like to see how to get analytic solutions for them when possible. Usually this is not possible, and we have to set our equations up in a difference form suitable for electronic conputation. There are people here who have had enough experience in this end so that they can take part of the burden in this respect. However, one has to pitch in on this to some extent himself in most cases in order to make progress at a reasonable rate and not to load up too heavily the ones among us who have had most experience with the electronic computer. Usually the most productive manner of participation, from the point of view of the Project, amounts to carrying on perhaps two things at the same time, one a project that may take from a few days to two weeks, and the other a longer term proposition which may take two weeks to two months. We hold regular l'onday meetings to discuss the overall status of progress and to have everyone put forward his ideas, suggestions, and proposals for what ought to be done next. This democratic way of working puts on everyone a heavy responsibility to decide for himself whether he is working on the most important part of the whole thing within his reach. For this reason it is important that each of us barge in on the others for discussions, questions, and for the formulation of new ideas by discussion and argument. Of course, there are also special services that a mathematician can perform in our group: translation of an integral equation into a differential equation, . suggestions how to 'solve' an otherwise complicated algebraic relation by a suitable parametric representation of the variables; advice about different methods of integration of differential equations as regards relative stability for large interval size. Here is a typical question of the service variety: But to pay attention to only such service questions would very greatly decrease one's usefulness. It is awareness of larger issues of the work and concern - - expressed by discussion with others and attempts to formulate and carry through idealized problems - - which make all the difference."

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"Briefly put, the work has in it lots of sweat and effort; there may very well be unclasdified work coming out of it which you could publish; but this is to be considered purely incidental, accidental, and very much subsidiary to the main line effort; any major contact with one's normal scientific work is pretty much a nights and Sundays matter. Security restrictions are no bar to one's discussions about other matters or publications along purely scientific lines. If you are willing to face these rather heavy responsibilities, we would be very happy indeed to have you."

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Ending of Project Matterhorn

The establishment of Project Mitney at Berkeley in the summer of 1952 created another center for work in the Beapons field. This step, and requests from that new project for any theoretical talent willing to go to Bivermore, forced reconsideration of the Matterhorn program. It was also apparent that Project Batterhorn had had since its beginning an emergency character which could not be continued indefinitely within the university set-up under peacetime conditions (heavy demands for overtime; work deadlines; lack of opportunity for res arch; \$\int_{100}\rightarrow\$ more short of salary for comparable work elsewhere). No solution for these difficulties being in sight, and a well defined phase of the thermonuclear assessment and primordial design work having been completed, it was concluded to terminate Project Batterhorn about 1 March 1953 despite the continuing need in the ALC program for some such center of analysis of long range weapon possibilities and of assessment of advantages of one weapon compared to another. This date was fixed as a compromise between the late 1952 date then Livermore wished to secure interested Batterhorn personnel, and the spring 1953 date for the freezing of the basic theoretical design of the Castle shots.

Nuclear Physics Reserve

There ults obtained by Matterhorn are summarized in reports listed elsewhere in these pages. There follows a list of who made up the scientific staff of Matterhorn, and who by their experience and clearability now constitute in effect members of a U. S.

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Nuclear Physics Reserve (some of them still on active duty!):

Aron, Walter: A. B. University of Illinois 1942, M. A. 1944; Ph. D. University of California 1951; Matterhorn, June 1951 to March 1, 1953; DELETED Since March 1, 1953 with high energy accelerator project, Physics Department, Princeton University.	DOE b(3)
Bellman, Richard: B. S. Brooklyn College 1941; Ph. D. Princeton University 1946, Professor l'athematics on leave of absence from Stanford University for Project Natterhorn. October 1. 1951 to April 8. 1952. DELETED Following July 1952 permanently with Pand Corporation, Santa Monica, California.	DOE b(3)
With Stellarator controlled thermonuclear project, Princeton University,	DOE b(3)
following Farch 1, 1953. Brown, Harold Dean: On loan from Argonne Laboratory - Savannah River Project, E. I. duPont de Nemours and Company, December 1952 to February 1953. DELETED	DOE b(3)
Carter, David: B. A. University of British Columbia 1946, M. A. 1948, Ph. D. Princeton University 1952. Project Matterhorn, July 1951 to November 30, 1952. DELETED With T Division, Los Alamos, following December 1, 1952.	DOE b(3)
Clendenin, William V.: B. A. Swarthmore College 1948, N. S. Yale University 1949, Ph. D. 1952. Project Matterhorn, July 1952 to February 28, 1953. DELETED With high energy accelerator project, "hysics Department, rinceton University, after March 1, 1953.	DOE b(3)
Driggers, Frank: On leave from Argonne Laboratory - Savannah River Project, E. I. duPont de Nemours and Company, October to Tecember 1952. DELETED	DOE b(3)

Ford, Kenneth W.: B. A. Harvard University 1918, Ph. D. Princeton University 1953. Project Natterhorn August 1951 to February 28, 1953. At different intervals during this period Dr. Ford worked only part-time, using the remaining portion of his time for work on his doctoral thesis. Analysis of all phases of thermonuclear burning. Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory July 1950 to July 1951. After March 1953 with high energy accelerator

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project, Physics Department, Princeton, part time and part time consultant to Los Alamos on SEAC calculations. After September 1953, staff, Physics Department, University of Indiana, Bloomington.

Frieman, Edward A.: B. S. Columbia University 1946, M. S. Polytechnic Institute 1948, Ph. D. 1951. Project Matterhorn. DOE January 1952 to February 28, 1953. b(3)With Stellarator controlled DELETED thermonuclear project, Princeton University, following March 1, 1953. Goldgraber, Howard D.: B. M. E. The Cooper Union 1943, M. S. University of Pennsylvania 1946, Ph. D. 1952. Project Matterhorn, October 1952 to February 28, 1953. Hydrodynamic instability. With Project Whitney, Livermore, California, following March 1, 1953 with duty station at AEC UNIVAC, New York University. Grasberger, William H.: A. B. University of California, 1950, M. A. 1951. Project Matterhorn September 12, 1951 to July 10, 1952. Opacity analysis; implosion and burning problems. Since August 1952 completing graduate work in astronomy, University of California, Berkeley. Haefner, Richard: On loan from Argonne National Laboratory -Savannah River Project, E. I. duPont de Nemours and Company DOE October 1952 to February 1953. DELETED b(3)Haussman, Capt. Alfred C.: Project Matterhorn, September 1, 1952 to February 28, 1953. DOE DELETED b(3) With Project Whitney, Livermore, California following March 1, 1953. Heller, Jack: BaeE Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute 1946, MAeE 1946, Ph. D. 1950. University of Manchester, England, 1950-1951, University of Cambridge, England 1951-1952. Project Matterhorn May 1952 to March 11, 1953. DOE b(3) Following March 11, 1953 with UNIVAC Center, Institute of Mechanics and Applied Mathematics, New York University. Henyey, Louis G.: Professor of Astrophysics, University of California, Berkeley, on leave with Matterhorn from August 1, 1951 DOE to August 31, 1952. DELETED b(3)

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Layz	er, David R.: A. B. Harvard College 1947, Ph. D. Harvard Uni-
	versity 1950. Project Matterhorn July 1952 to February 28,
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	Following March 1, 1953 with Solar Physics Project, Harvard College Observatory.
Leve	e, Richard D.: A. B. University of California at Los Angeles, M. A. University of California (Berkeley) 1951, Ph. D. 1951. Project Matterhorn October 22, 1951 to October 2, 1952. Opacity; steady state burning of deuterium and ignition thereof. Following October 1952 Assistant Professor of Astronomy, University of Missouri, Columbia.
McIr	tosh, John S.: B. S. Yale University 1948, M. S. 1949, Ph. D. 1952. Project Matterhorn, July 1952 to April 1, 1953.
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	Equation of state of deuterium compounds.
	Consultant to AEC thermonuclear work following April 1, 1953.
	Los Alamos (Summer 1953). After September 1953, staff, Physics
	Department, Princeton University.
oda0	rn, Howard A.: B. A. Princeton University, 1949. Project Mat-
	terhorn, September 11, 1951 to June 21, 1952. DELETED
	Following June 1952 completing graduate work in mathematics, Stanford University.
Penr	dington, Capt. Ralph H.: Project Matterhorn, September 14, 1951
	to December 20, 1952. DELETED Follow-
	ing January 1, 1953 with Project Whitney, Livermore, California.
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σĢ.	John, Daniel S.: On loan from Argonne National Laboratory - Savannah River Project, E. I. duPont de Nemours and Company,
	part-time October 1952 to February 28, 1953.
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	Assessment of design feasibility.
Toll	, John S.: B. S. Yale University, 1944, M. S. Princeton Uni-
	versity 1948, Ph.D. 1952. Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory
	June 1950 to August 1951. Project Matterhorn, February 1952
	to March 1953. Associate Director of the Project from August

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overall assessment. Following March 1, 1953 Chairman, Physics Department, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland.

Wheeler, John A.: On leave of absence from Princeton University at Los Alamos, March 1950 - May 1951. Matterhorn, May 25, 1951 - April 1, 1953. DELETED After April 1, 1953, Physics Department, Princeton University. b(3)

Wilets, Lawrence: B. S. University of Wisconsin 1948, M. A.
Princeton University 1950, Ph. D. 1952. Project Matterhorn,
November 1951 to February 28, 1953.

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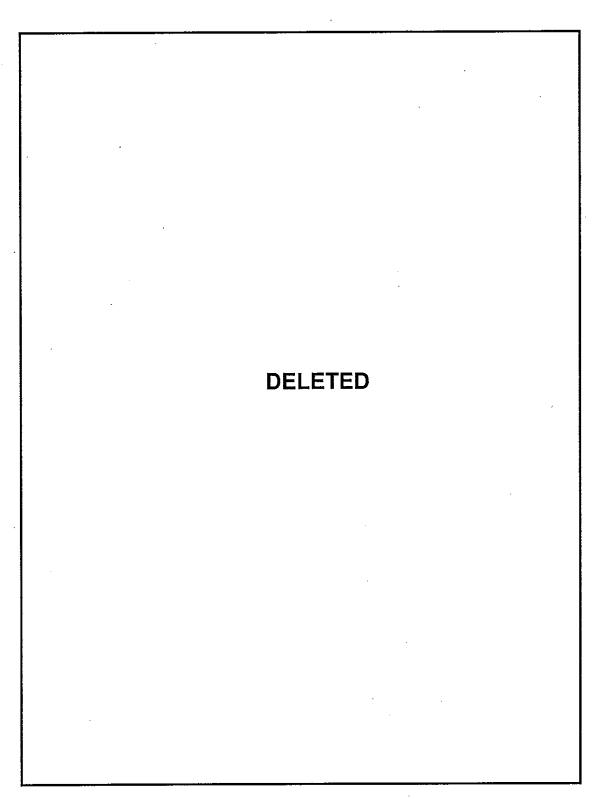
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It is not presumed that these calculations should play the same role as the more detailed Los Alamos SEAC or Maniac implosion calculations, but rather it was hoped that, because they are essentially simpler and machine-wise faster, they could be used to survey the field and obtain an understanding of the implosion process as well as to acquire semi-quantitative information that could be used in optimizing design features. All calculations were carried out on the Eckert-Mauchly UNIVACs in Philadel-phia.

The results of a number of problems are summarized in the following Table I.

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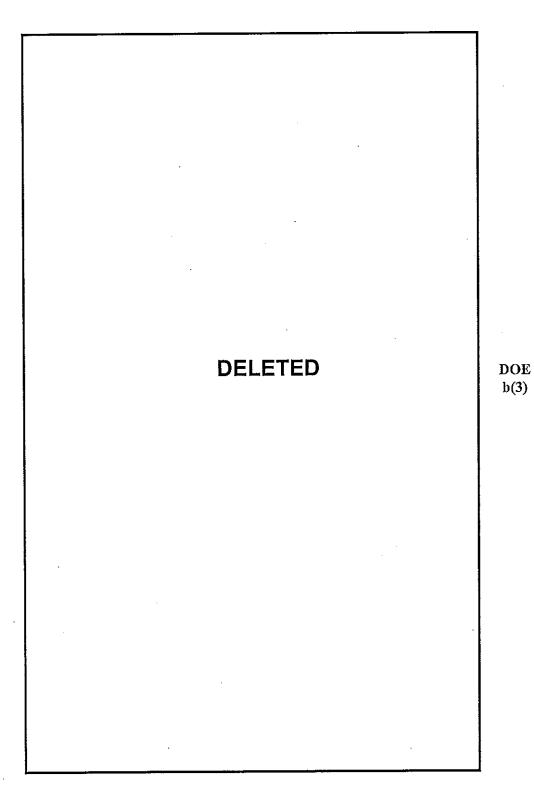
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calculations of burning that included all effects for which one knew how to make allowance, in order to make more or less justified predictions as to appropriate values of design parameters. However, there was always in mind the hope--not yet justified--that one might in addition construct (a) a simplified mock-up of the burning process and (b) from this mock-up derive a not too complicated formula for the yield of thermonuclear devices. It would be very desirable to have an equation analogous to the Bethe-Feynman equation for the yield of fission weapons. It is obvious such a formula must be considerably more involved in the

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For this reason it is perhaps understandable why it has not been possible up to now to construct such a yield formula.

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