

Universal curve of G_{res} – Formulae

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$$G_{res}(z) = \frac{0.94}{1 + (z/2.70)^{0.82}} + 0.06$$

with

$$z = \Sigma_{tot}(E_{res}) \cdot y \cdot \sqrt{\frac{\Gamma_{\gamma}}{\Gamma}}$$

where y is given by:

| Geometry (dimension) | y (cm) |
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| Foils (thickness = t) | $y = 1.5 t$ |
| Wires (radius = R) | $y = 2 R$ |
| Spheres (radius = R) | $y = R$ |
| Cylinders (radius = R ; height = h) ($1 \leq h/R \leq 3$) | $y = 1.65 \frac{Rh}{R + h}$ |

$\Sigma_{tot}(E_{res})$ = total macroscopic cross-section at the resonance peak

Γ_{γ} = resonance width for the (n, γ) reaction

Γ = total resonance width ($\Gamma = \Gamma_{\gamma} + \Gamma_n$)

Γ_n = resonance width for the (n,n) reaction.