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Electron-impact excitation and ionization of atomic boron at low and intermediate energies.¹ KEDONG WANG, Henan Normal University, P.R. China, OLEG ZATSARINNY, KLAUS BARTSCHAT, Drake University — We present a comprehensive study of electron collisions with neutral boron atoms. The calculations were performed with the *B*-Spline *R*-matrix (close-coupling) method [1], by employing a parallelized version of the associated computer code [2]. Elastic, excitation, and ionization cross sections were obtained for all transitions involving the lowest 11 states of boron, for incident electron energies ranging from threshold to 100 eV. A multiconfiguration Hartree-Fock method with nonorthogonal term-dependent orbitals was used to generate accurate wave functions for the target states. Closecoupling expansions including 13, 51, and 999 physical and pseudo states were set up to check the sensitivity of the predictions to variations in the theoretical model. The cross-section dataset generated in this work is expected to be the most accurate one available today and should be sufficiently comprehensive for most modeling applications involving neutral boron.

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