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PHYSICS OF OPERATING BOILING WATER REACTORS

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AVERAGE THERMAL NEUTRON CAPTURE CROSS SECTIONS OF $^{198}\mathrm{Au},$ $^{65}\mathrm{Ni},$ AND $^{66}\mathrm{Cu}$

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INTERACTIONS BETWEEN RADIATION FIELDS FROM RADIOISOTOPE 722 THERMOELECTRIC GENERATORS AND SCIENTIFIC EXPERIMENTS ON SPACECRAFT

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INSTRUMENTS







A NEUTRON DETECTION SYSTEM FOR OPERATION IN VERY HIGH 736 GAMMA FIELDS

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EVALUATION OF A NEUTRON DETECTION SYSTEM IN A COBALT-60 744 FIELD OF 10^7 R/h

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TECHNIQUES



TECHNIQUES FOR TWO-DIMENSIONAL GAMMA-RAY SCANNING OF 746 **REACTOR FUEL ELEMENT SECTIONS**

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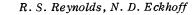


BURNUP DETERMINATION OF NUCLEAR FUELS BY HIGH RESOLU-TION GAMMA SPECTROMETRY, TRACK FORMATION IN SOLID-STATE DETECTORS, AND NEUTRON DOSE MEASUREMENTS

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REACTOR SITING



PREDICTION OF THE INCIPIENT BOILING CONDITIONS FOLLOWING 767 A BLOCKED LMFBR SUBASSEMBLY ACCIDENT 767

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DUCTILITY LOSS IN FAST REACTOR IRRADIATED STAINLESS STEEL 771

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Corrigendum

W. Waverly Graham has advised us that Eq. (10), which appeared on p. 533 in the June, 1970 issue of *Nuclear Applications and Technology*, is in error.

The correct equation is

$$\tau_1 = \frac{N_1/N_2 - 1}{(\Sigma p_i n_i)_2 + \frac{L_2 - L_1}{N_2}}$$

The correct derivation is

$$Q = \frac{N}{\tau} + L \tag{8}$$

$$\tau = 1/\Sigma p_i n_i \quad . \tag{9}$$

From Eq. (8),

$$\tau_1 = N_{1/(Q-L_1)}$$
 and $\tau_2 = N_2/(Q - L_2)$

Therefore,

$$\tau_1 = N_1 / [(N_2 / \tau_2) + L_2 - L_1] \quad . \tag{A}$$

From Eq. (9),

 $\frac{1}{\tau_1} = (\Sigma p_i n_i)_1$

and

$$\frac{1}{\tau_2} = \frac{1}{\tau_1} + (\Sigma p_i n_i)_2$$
(B)

by the text definition of $(\Sigma p_i n_i)_2$ as nuclides added to the first solution to make up the second solution.

Dividing Eq. (A) by N_2 :

$$\tau_1 = \frac{N_1/N_2}{\frac{1}{\tau_2} + \frac{L_2 - L_1}{N_2}}$$

and substituting from Eq. (B)

$$\tau_1 = \frac{N_1/N_2}{\frac{1}{\tau_1} + (\Sigma p_i n_i)_2 + \frac{L_2 - L_1}{N_2}} , \qquad (C)$$

then collecting terms:

$$\tau_1 = \frac{N_1/N_2 - 1}{(\sum p_i n_i)_2 + \frac{L_2 - L_1}{N_2}} \quad . \tag{10}$$