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NONCONVENTIONAL CORE DESIGNS OF LIQUID-METAL FAST BREEDER REACTORS

NUCLEAR DESIGN AND ECONOMIC COMPARISON OF A CONVENTIONAL AND BULLSEYE LIQUID-METAL FAST BREEDER REACTOR CORE

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PHYSICS STUDIES OF A HETEROGENEOUS LIQUID-METAL FAST BREEDER REACTOR

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PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS OF HOMOGENEOUS VERSUS HETEROGENEOUS LIQUID-METAL FAST BREED-ER REACTORS

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PHYSICS PERFORMANCES OF A HETEROGENEOUS FAST REACTOR CORE CONCEPT STUDIED IN MASURCA

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NUCLEAR PERFORMANCE OF LIQUID-METAL FAST BREEDER REACTORS DESIGNED TO PRECLUDE EN-ERGETIC HYPOTHETICAL CORE DISRUPTIVE ACCI-DENTS

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OCCUPATIONAL RADIATION EXPOSURE AT NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS

OCCUPATIONAL RADIATION EXPOSURE AT FRENCH POWER PLANTS: MEASUREMENT AND PREDICTION

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QUANTIFYING PLANT AVAILABILITY, ALARA, AND OCCUPATIONAL RADIATION EXPOSURE RELATION-SHIPS

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GETTING AT THE SOURCE: REDUCING RADIATION *Robert A. Shaw* **FIELDS**

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REACTORS

DEVELOPMENT OF A DIAGNOSIS SYSTEM FOR A BOIL-ING WATER REACTOR

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ANALYSIS OF THE INTERACTION OF FUEL CHANNELS WITH THE END SHIELDS IN CANDU REACTORS

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MITIGATING COMMUNITY IMPACTS OF ENERGY DE-VELOPMENT: SOME EXAMPLES FOR COAL AND NU-CLEAR GENERATING PLANTS IN THE U.S.

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FUEL CYCLES

CRITICAL EXPERIMENTS WITH FAST TEST REACTOR FUEL PINS IN WATER

S. R. Bierman (right) (BS, chemical engineering, Texas Technological University, 1956; MS, nuclear engineering, University of Washington, 1963) has been involved both in the chemical processing industry and in criticality research and analysis. He is currently a staff scientist at the Critical Mass Laboratory at Battelle-Pacific Northwest Laboratories (PNL), where he has been active in both the generation of basic experimental criticality data and the utilization of these data in performing criticality analyses of production plant systems. He is currently vice chairman of the Nuclear Criticality Safety Division of the American Nuclear Society (ANS). B. M. Durst (center) (BS, physics, University of Washington, 1971; MS, nuclear engineering, Louisiana State University, 1974) is a research scientist at PNL, where he has been actively involved in the generation of basic experimental and computational criticality data. E. Duane Clayton (left) (PhD, physics, University of Oregon, 1952) is currently associate manager of criticality analysis at PNL, and is a research associate professor in the University of Washington's Department of Nuclear Engineering. He is a pioneer in criticality studies with plutonium and, since its inception in 1961, has been director of the Plutonium Critical Mass Laboratory of PNL. He is currently chairman of Work Groups 12 and 15 within Subcommittee ANS-8 (Fissionable Materials Outside Reactors) of the ANS Standards Committees. His current technical interests include most aspects of criticality measurements and studies. R. I. Scherpelz (bottom right) (MS, nuclear engineering, Oregon State University, 1978) is employed at PNL. Among his current interests are neutronics calculations applicable to criticality safety and calculational techniques in dosimetry. H. T. Kerr (bottom left) (BS, nuclear engineering, University of Tennessee, 1964) is a research staff member of the Engineering Technology Division of Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL). He was heavily involved in the neutronic analyses of various molten-salt reactor designs and was responsible for the neutronic design and dosimetry of several high-temperature gas-cooled reactor irradiation experiments in the Oak Ridge Reactor and the high flux isotope reactor. He presently serves as the task leader for nuclear engineering on the Consolidated Fuel Reprocessing Program at ORNL, with principal responsibility for criticality safety considerations in the fuel reprocessing facilities.

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ECONOMICS

ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE OF LIQUID-METAL FAST BREEDER REACTOR AND GAS-COOLED FAST REACTOR RADIAL BLANKETS

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MULTIAXIAL CREEP EQUATIONS FOR NONLINEAR AND VOLUME-NONCONSERVATIVE IN-REACTOR CREEP

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STUDY OF AN OPTIMUM DESIGN FOR SUBCRITICAL NEUTRON MULTIPLIERS USING CALIFORNIUM-252 NEU-TRON SOURCES

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MATERIALS

RADIOISOTOPES



APPLICATION OF THE SELF-POWERED DETECTOR CONCEPT IN THE DESIGN OF A THRESHOLD GAMMA-RAY DETECTOR

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FUEL CYCLES

PLUTONIUM ISOTOPIC CALCULATIONS FOR A MODERN LIGHT WATER REACTOR

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