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FISSION REACTORS

CRITICALITY EXPERIMENTS WITH SUBCRITICAL CLUS-TERS OF 2.35 AND 4.31 wt% ²³⁵U-ENRICHED UO₂ RODS IN WATER WITH STEEL REFLECTING WALLS

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EFFECT OF INOPERABLE IN-CORE DETECTORS ON CORE MONITORING SYSTEM ACCURACY

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THREE MILE ISLAND ACCIDENT TECHNICAL SUPPORT

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NUCLEAR FUELS

AN ANALYTICAL MODEL FOR TRANSIENT GAS FLOW IN NUCLEAR FUEL RODS

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CALCULATION OF NEUTRON SOURCE STRENGTH IN FAST FLUX TEST FACILITY FUEL AS A FUNCTION OF IRRADIATION

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CORROSION OF STRUCTURAL ALLOYS IN LIQUID RU-BIDIUM

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ELECTROLYTIC DECONTAMINATION OF STAINLESS E. L. Childs STEEL USING A BASIC ELECTROLYTE J. L. Long

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CHEMICAL COMPATIBILITY OF URANIUM CARBIDES WITH Cr-Fe-Ni ALLOYS

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BEHAVIOR OF METALLIC INCLUSIONS IN URANIUM DIOXIDE

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THE INTERACTION OF HIGH TEMPERATURE CORE E. DEBRIS WITH CONCRETE AND REFRACTORY MATERIAL J. H

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