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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The purpose of this procedure is to determine the degree of reactor core damage based on water and gas samples taken from the primary system, and drywell radiation levels during accident conditions.
- 1.2 There are four general classes of fuel damage and three degrees of damage within each of the classes except for the "No Fuel Damage" class.

Class of Fuel Damage	Minor (<10%)	Intermediate (10%-50%)	Major (>50%)
No Fuel Damage	1	1	1
Cladding Failure	2	3	4
Fuel Overheat	5	6	7
Fuel Melt	8	9	10

The objective of this procedure is to narrow down, to the maximum extent possible, those categories which apply to an actual inplant situation.

1.3 In determining the extent of core damage, an initial core damage assessment will be made based on radionuclide measurement.

This initial assessment consists of:

- a) Obtaining samples from the Post-Accident Sampling System (PASS).
- b) Analyzing the samples for major fission product concentrations by gamma ray spectrometry.
- c) Decay correcting samples to the time of reactor shutdown.
- d) Normalizing the sample concentrations with reference plant data from a BWR-6/238 with a Mark 3 Containment.

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e) Comparing the normalized concentrations to Reference Plant Concentrations Vs. Core Damage Graphs developed by General Electric to estimate the amount of core damage.

This initial core damage assessment will provide one or more candidate categories of possible core damage which will most likely represent the actual in-plant condition.

After the initial assessment is made other parameters should then be evaluated to corroborate and further refine the initial estimate. These parameters should include:

- a) Containment hydrogen levels which provide a measure of the extent of metal water reaction which, in turn, can be used to estimate the degree of clad damage.
- b) Drywell radiation levels, which measure core damage by an indication of the inventory of airborne fission products (i.e., noble gases, a fraction of the halogens, and smaller fraction of the particulates) released from the fuel to the drywell.
- c) Reactor Vessel water level, which is used to establish if there has been an interruption of adequate core cooling. Significant periods of core uncovery, as evidenced by reactor vessel water level readings, would be an indicator of a situation where core damage is likely.
- d) Some shorter lived isotope concentrations can be measured from the reactor water and containment gas samples. The ratios of these isotopes can be used to determine the source of the release (fuel or gap).
- e) Less volatile fission product concentrations such as isotopes of Sr, Ba, La, and Ru can be measured. If unusually high concentrations in the water samples are found, some degree of fuel melting may be inferred.

The flow diagram in Attachment 1, indicates how the analysis based on radionuclide measurements, and the analysis of other significant parameters relates to the estimation of core damage.

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## 2.0 RESPONSIBILITY

- 2.1 The Station Emergency Director is responsible for the implementation of this procedure.
- 2.2 The Supervisor-Emergency Planning is responsible for review of this procedure.
- 2.3 The Station Emergency Director with advice of his staff will determine sample locations and sample times.
- 2.4 The Technical Assessment Supervisor is responsible for performing the calculations in this procedure leading to the determination of core damage.
- 2.5 The Chemistry Department is responsible for obtaining samples from the PASS System and analyzing samples to determine fission product concentrations.
- 2.6 Radiation Protection is responsible for setting up radiological controls needed to obtain PASS Samples.

## 3.0 DEFINITIONS

None

# 4.0 INSTRUCTIONS

# 4.1 Core Damage Estimate From PASS

4.1.1 Obtain samples, consistent with Appendix H, from the Post Accident Sampling System, per RA-09, POST ACCIDENT SAMPLING. Record the Sample location, clock time, date, Drywell pressure, Containment pressure, Containment temp, Drywell temp, gas sample pressure, and gas sample temp on CORE DAMAGE ESTIMATE FROM PASS DATA SHEET (Attachment 2).

## NOTE

Data for this procedure may be obtained from the status boards or computer operator.

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4.1.2 Perform gamma spectroscopy per CPS No. 6103.01, GAMMA SPECTROMETER - GELI to determine the I-131 and Cs-137 concentrations in the water samples and Xe-133 and Kr-85 concentrations in the gas samples. Record the isotope concentrations on CORE DAMAGE ESTIMATE FROM PASS DATA SHEET (Attachment 2).

## NOTE

If the Gamma Spectroscopy System is setup to give concentrations of isotopes in liquids in units of MCi/ml, convert ml to grams by lml=lgm.

#### NOTE

Measurements of Cs-137 and Kr-85 activities may not be possible until the reactor has been shut down for longer than a few weeks and most of the shorter lived isotopes have decayed.

4.1.3 Correct the measured gaseous activity concentration for temperature and pressure by:

$$C_{gi} = C_{gi} \text{ (Vial) } \times \frac{P_2^T 1}{P_1 T_2}$$

Where:

Cgi = Containment/Drywell isotopic concentration (#Ci/cc)

Cgi (Vial) = Sample Vial isotopic Concentration (#Ci/cc)

(P<sub>1</sub>,T<sub>1</sub>) = Sample Vial pressure and temperature on absolute scales (°K, psia)

(P<sub>2</sub>,T<sub>2</sub>) = Containment/Drywell pressure and temperature on absolute scales (°K, psia)

Record the calculated value for C on CORE DAMAGE ESTIMATE FROM PASS DATA SHEET (Attachment 2).

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4.1.4 If the fission product concentrations are measured separately for the reactor water and suppression pool water or the drywell gas and the containment gas, the measured concentrations C or C should be averaged from the separate measurements by:

Twi = Average fission product concentration in CPS Coolant (MCi/g)

$$C_{wi} = \frac{\text{Isotope Conc.}}{\text{In Rx WTR}} \frac{\text{Isotope Conc.}}{(2.13 \times 10^8) + \text{In Supp Pool}} \frac{(4.09 \times 10^9)}{(4.3 \times 10^9)}$$

 $\overline{C}_{gi}$  = Average fission product concentration in Containment gas (Ci/cc)

$$\overline{C}_{gi} = \frac{\text{Isotope Conc.}}{\text{In Drywell } (6.98 \times 10^9) + \frac{\text{Isotope Conc.}}{\text{In CNMT}} (3.7 \times 10^{10})}$$

Record the calculated values  $\overline{C}_{i}$  and  $\overline{C}_{i}$  on CORE DAMAGE ESTIMATE FROM PASS DATA SHEET, Attachment 2.)

4.1.5 Calculate the fission product inventory correction factor F<sub>Ii</sub> for I-131, Cs-137, Xe-133, and Kr-85 by:

> F<sub>Ii</sub> = Inventory in reference plant Inventory in operating plant

$$F_{Ii} = \frac{3651 (1-e^{-1095\lambda_{ij}})}{\sum_{j} \left[P_{j}(1-e^{-\lambda_{i}T_{j}})e^{-\lambda_{i}T_{j}}\right]}$$

Where:

 $P_{j}$  = Steady reactor power operated in period j  $(MW_{r})^{*}$ 

 $T_i$  = Duration of operating period j (day)\*

T° = Time between the end of operating period j and time of last reactor shutdown (day)

 $\lambda_i$  = Decay Constant for nuclide i (Day<sup>-1</sup>)

\* In each period, the variation of steady power should be limited to  $\pm 20\%$ .

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Record the calculated fission product inventory correction factors on CORE DAMAGE ESTIMATE FROM PASS DATA SHEET, Attachment 2.

## NOTE

See Appendix J for a sample calculation

Calculate the normalized concentration CRef for I-131 and Cs-137, and CRef for Xe-133 and Kr-85 4.1.6 by:

$$C_{Wi}^{Ref} = \overline{C}_{Wi} \stackrel{-}{e}^{i} \times F_{Ii} \times (1.10)$$

$$C_{Wi}^{Ref} = \overline{C}_{Wi} \stackrel{-}{e}^{i}^{t} \times F_{Ii} \times (1.10)$$

$$C_{gi}^{Ref} = \overline{C}_{gi} \stackrel{-}{e}^{i}^{t} \times F_{Ii} \times (1.10)$$

Where:

CRef = normalized concentration of isotope i for reference plant coolant (µCi/g)

cRef = normalized concentration of isotope i for reference plant containment gas (UCi/cc)

Cwi = average concentration of isotope i in CPS coolant at time, t (MCi/g)

Cgi = average concentration of isotope i in CPS containment gas at time, t (MCi/cc)

= decay constant of isotope i (day 1) ni

t = time between the reactor shutdown and the sample analysis time (day)

= inventory correction factor for isotope i

Record calculated normalized concentrations for reference plant coolant and containment gas on CORE DAMAGE ESTIMATE FROM PASS DATA SHEET (Attachment 2).

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4.1.7 If the normalized concentrations, CNef or CNef obtained in section 4.1.6 are higher than the Upper Limit concentrations shown in Appendix B the extent of fuel or cladding damage can be determined directly from Appendix D through G. Record the estimated fuel/clad damage on CORE DAMAGE ESTIMATE FROM PASS DATA SHEET (Attachment 2).

## 4.2 Hydrogen Analysis

4.2.1 Obtain a containment hydrogen and oxygen gas concentration reading from the Containment H<sub>2</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> Atmospheric Monitoring (CAM) system (%). The reading to be selected should be based on engineering judgement. Record readings on HYDROGEN ANALYSIS DATA SHEET (Attachment 3).

## NOTE

The calculation for percent metal-water reaction is based on perfect hydrogen mixing in the containment. Gas concentration readings should be taken in the drywell and containment to verify that this is the case.

4.2.2 Calculate the Decimal Equivalent Metal-Water Reaction (MWR) Per:

MWR = 2.422 
$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathbf{X}^{\text{H}_2} - 2\mathbf{X}^{\text{O}_2} \\ 1 - \mathbf{X}^{\text{H}_2} - \mathbf{X}^{\text{O}_2} \end{bmatrix}$$
 + 1.284  
Where:  $\mathbf{X}^{\text{H}_2}$  = Percent hydrogen

concentration (decimal equivalent)

X0<sub>2</sub> = Percent oxygen concentration (decimal equivalent)

Record calculated value for MWR on HYDROGEN ANALYSIS DATA SHEET (Attachment 3).

# 4.3 Drywell Radiation Analysis

4.3.1 Obtain Drywell Atmosphere Monitoring readings, [R] in R/hr from 1RIX-CM059(1H13-P638) and 1RIX-CM060(1H13-P639). Record readings on DRYWELL RADIATION ANALYSIS DATA SHEET (Attachment 4).

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## NOTE

The two drywell Monitor Readings should be averaged for use in Appendix K calculations. If the two readings are in disagreement by more than an order of magnitude a determination should be made as to the validity of the data.

- 4.3.2 Determine elapsed time [T] in hours from plant shutdown to the Drywell radiation monitor reading and record on DRYWELL RADIATION ANALYSIS DATA SHEET (Attachment 4).
- 4.3.3 From Appendix K, determine the fuel inventory release for the reference plant [I ref] %, and record on DRYWELL RADIATION ANALYSIS DATA SHEET, (Attachment 4).
- 4.3.4 Determine the inventory release [I] to the CPS drywell using the following formula:

I = 1.3 X I<sub>ref</sub>

Record inventory release to the drywell on DRYWELL RADIATION ANALYSIS SHEET (Attachment 4).

# 4.4 Reactor Core Uncovery Time

## NOTE

The graph of Maximum Acceptable Core Uncovery Time Vs. Time After Reactor Shutdown in Appendix (L) was based on the time required for a completely uncovered core to heat up from equilibrium at 545°F to a peak clad temperature of 2,200°F with no spray or steam cooling. If only partial core uncovery or spray cooling occurred, longer maximum acceptable core uncovery times are likely.

4.4.1 From the control room reactor water level instrumentation determine the length of time the reactor core was completely uncovered. Record this data on REACTOR CORE UNCOVERY TIME DATA SHEET (Attachment 5).

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- Compare the actual core uncovery time determined in step 4.4.1 to the maximum acceptable core uncovery time obtained from Appendix (L) to determine if core damage is likely. Record the maximum acceptable core uncovery time from Appendix (L) on REACTOR CORE UNCOVERY TIME DATA SHEET (Attachment 5).
- Identification of Release Source by Determination of Fission Product Ratios.
  - 4.5.1 From samples obtained from PASS, determine the concentrations of the following short-lived isotopes by gamma ray spectroscopy per CPS No. 6103.01, GAMMA SPECTROMETER - GELI.

Liquid	samples	(MCi/g)	Gas sample(µCi/cc)
	I-131		Kr-85m
	I-132		Kr-87
	I-133		Kr-88
	I-134		Xe-133
	I-135		

Record isotopic concentrations on FISSION PRODUCT RATIOS DATA SHEET (Attachment 6).

4.5.2 Correct the measured fission products to the time of reactor shutdown by

Where: 
$$C_{i,o} = C_{i,t} e^{\lambda_i t}$$

C<sub>i,o</sub> = concentration of isotope i at shutdown. ( $\mu$ Ci/g) or ( $\mu$ Ci/cc)

 $C_{i,t}$  = measured concentration of isotope i at time t. ( $\mu$ Ci/g) or ( $\mu$ Ci/cc)

 $\lambda_i = \text{decay constant of isotope i } (\text{day}^{-1}).$ 

t = time between reactor shutdown and sample analysis (day).

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Record the Corrected fission product concentrations on FISSION PRODUCT RATIO DATA SHEET (Attachment 6).

4.5.3 Calculate the isotopic ratios by:

Noble gas ratio = Noble gas isotopic concentration Xe-133 concentration

 $\frac{\text{Iodine ratio} = \frac{\text{Iodine isotopic concentration}}{\text{I-131 concentration}}$ 

Record the fission product ratios on FISSION PRODUCT RATIO DATA SHEET (Attachment 6).

4.5.4 Determine the release source by comparing the isotopic ratios from step 4.5.3 to the ratios supplied in Appendix C. Record the release source determined by each ratio on FISSION PRODUCT RATIO DATA SHEET (Attachment 6).

## NOTE

Generally, lower fission product activity ratios are found in the fuel gap, so lower fission product ratios measured in CPS coolant or containment atmosphere is indicative of fuel cladding failure. Higher fission product activity ratios are found in the core fuel, and higher fission product activity ratios are indicative of fuel melt.

- 4.6 Analysis for Ba, Sr, La, Ru.
  - 4.6.1 From samples obtained from PASS determine the concentrations of the following short-lived isotopes by gamma ray spectroscopy:

Sr-91 (#Ci/g) Sr-92 (#Ci/g) Ba-140 (#Ci/g) La-140 (#Ci/g) Ru-103 (#Ci/g)

Record the isotope concentrations on ANALYSIS FOR Ba, Sr, La and Ru DATA SHEET (Attachment 7).

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4.6.2 Compare the isotopic concentrations obtained in step 4.6.1. to the baseline concentration data maintained by the Chemistry Department. If unusually high concentrations of Sr, Ba, La and Ru are found in the water samples (i.e., greater than 100% above baseline), some degree of fuel melting may be inferred.

## 5.0 REFERENCES

- NEDO-22215 Procedures For The Determination of the Extent of Core Damage Under Accident Conditions. Dated: August 1982
- 2. NEDO-22215 Attachment 8D, Procedures for Estimating Core Damage Based on Plant Parameters Other than Post-Accident Sampling System Measurements.
- 3. BWROG Emergency Procedures Guidelines, Rev. 2 Appendix C: Calculational Procedures, C23.0 Maximum Acceptable Core Uncovery Time.
- 4. RA-09, POST ACCIDENT SAMPLING
- 5. CPS No. 6103.01, GAMMA SPECTROMETER-GELI
- 6. FSAR APPENDIX, TABLE D-1, RADIOACTIVE SOURCE ASSUMPTIONS, (AMENDMENT 14).

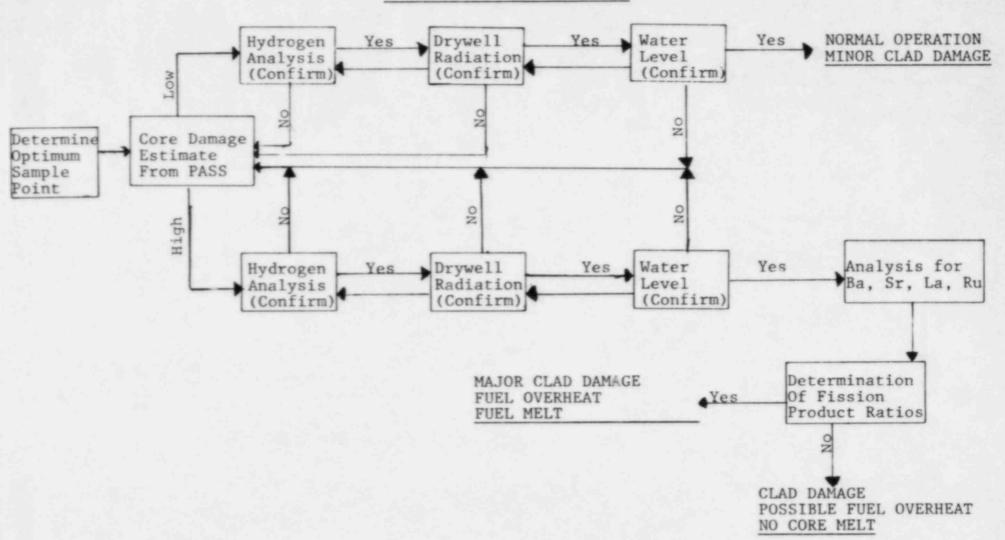
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# CORE DAMAGE ESTIMATE FROM PASS DATA SHEET

## Sample Location

Check	Appropria Location	te Sampl		Analy Tim	
Jet Pump				4	
RWCU				<u> </u>	
Supp. Pool Liquid					
Containment Atmosphere	-		-		
RHR					
Drywell					
Drywell Pressure Drywell Temp.				sia)	
Containment Pressur				sia)	
Containment Temp			(°	K)	
Containment Atmos S	Sample Vial	Pressure			(psia)
Containment Atmos S	Sample Vial	Temp			(°K)
Drywell Sample Via	l Pressure				(psia)
Drywell Sample Via	1 Temp				(°K)
	Isotopic	Concentra	tion of	Sample	
Sample Location	Isotope	Concentra	tion	Isotope	Concentration
Jet Pump	1-131		(Ci/g)	<u>Cs-137</u>	(\mu Ci/g)
RWCU	<u>1-131</u>		(Ci/g)	<u>Cs-137</u>	(//Ci/g)
Supp. Pool Liquid	<u>1-131</u>		/Ci/g)	<u>Cs-137</u>	ψCi/g)
Containment Atmos	Xe-133		yCi/cc)	Kr-85	(\(\mu\)Ci/cc)
RHR	<u>1-131</u>	4	/Ci/g)	Cs-137	(\mu Ci/g)
Drywell	Xe-133		/Ci/cc)	Kr-85	WCi/cc)

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# Temperature and Pressure Corrected Gas Sample Concentration

	Temperature and Fressure	Corrected	das bampie c	Oncentracton
		(Xe-133)	(K	r-85)
Cgi:	Containment Atmos Sample		(MCi/cc)	(Ci/cc)
Cgi:	Drywell Atmos Sample		(µCi/cc)	(µCi/cc)
	Average Fission	on Product	Concentration	s
CwI-	131 : (Average I-131 Concer	ntration in	CPS Coolant)	=(\mu^Ci/g)
CwCs	-137 : (Average Cs-137 Conc	entration i	in CPS Coolant	)=(\(\mu^{\text{Ci/g}}\)
Coxe	-133 :(Average Xe-133 Conc	entration :	in CNMT gas)=	(μCi/cc)
C <sub>gKr</sub>	-85 : (Average Kr-85 Conce	ntration in	n CNMT gas)= _	(µCi/cc)
			ection Factor	
F <sub>II</sub> -	131: (1-131 Fission produc	t Correction	on Factor) = _	
FICS	-137: (CS-137 Fission prod	uct Correct	tion Factor) =	
FIXe	-133: (Xe-133 Fission prod	uct Correc	tion Factor) =	
FIKr	-85: (Kr-85 Fission produc	t Correction	on Factor) = _	
	Normalized Fission Produ	ct Concent	rations for Re	eference Plant
CRef	131: (I-131 Conc. in refer	ence plant	coolant) =	(µCi/g)
CRef	-137: (Cs-137 Conc. in ref	erence pla	nt coolant) =	WCi/g)
CRef	-133: (XE-133 Conc. in ref	erence pla	nt CNMT gas)	μCi/cc)
	-85: (Kr-85 Conc. in refer			μCi/cc)
	Estimat	ed Fuel/Cl	ad Damage	
		Claddi	ng Failure	Fuel Meltdown
	Appendix D estimate	111	%	
	Appendix E estimate		7.	
	Appendix F estimate		%	2
	Appendix G estimate		7,	7

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	Containme	nt Hydrogen an	d Oxygen G	Gas Concentr	ation
		Containment		Drywell	
02	Conc. = _		7.		%
		Metal - Wa			
		Re	marks		
				7.	
	r i nebil				
Performed B	у:				
Time/Date:_					

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# DRYWELL RADIATION ANALYSIS DATA SHEET

Drywell Radiation Monitor Detector ID#	Radiation Reading (R/hr)	
1 RIX-CM059(1H13-P638)		
1 RIX-CM060(1H13-P639)		
Elapsed time from plant Shutdown to Drywell radiat monitor reading	ion	(hours)
Inventory release for reference Plant determined from App.	erence K	(%)
Calculated inventory release Drywell	ase to CPS	(%)
Re	emarks	
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Uncovery Time

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## FISSION PRODUCT RATIO DATA SHEET

## Isotopic Concentrations

Liquid Sample (Isotope)	Concentration (µCi/g)	Gas Sample (Isotope)	Concentration (µCi/cc)
I-131		Kr-85m	
I-132		Kr-87	
I-133		Kr-88	
I-134		Xe-133	
I-135			

# Corrected Fission Product Concentrations

Liquid Sample (Isotope)	Concentration (µCi/g)	Gas Sample (Isotope)	Concentration (#Ci/cc)
I-131		Kr-85m	
I-132	3 1	Kr-87	
I-133		Kr-88	
I-134	12-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-11-1	Xe-133	
I-135			

# Isotopic Ratios

Noble Gas Ratios	Iodine Ratios
$\frac{Kr-85m}{Xe-133} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$	$\frac{1-132}{1-131} = $
$\frac{Kr-87}{Xe-133} = \phantom{AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAA$	$\frac{1-133}{1-131} = \underline{}$
$\frac{Kr - 88}{Xe - 133} = $	$\frac{1-134}{1-131} = $
	$\sqrt{\frac{1-135}{1-131}} = $

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# Release Source

Release Source (Core Inventory/Fuel Gap)	Release Source Ratio (Core Inventory/Fuel Gap)
Kr-85m Xe-133 =	I-132 I-131 =
Kr-87 Xe-133 =	<u>I-133</u> =
Kr-88 Xe-133 =	$\frac{I-134}{I-131} = $
	1-135 1-131 =
Performed By:	
Time/Date:	

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# ANALYSIS FOR Ba, Sr, La, and Ru, DATA SHEET

Isotope	Measured Concentration (LCi/g)
Sr-91	
Sr-92	
Ba-140	
La-140	
Ru-103	
Performed By:	
Time/Date:	

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# CORE INVENTORY OF MAJOR FISSION PRODUCTS IN A REFERENCE PLANT OPERATED AT 3651 MW, FOR THREE YEARS

Chemical Group	Isotope*	Half-Life	Inventory**	Major Gamma Ray Energy (Intensity) KeV (%/d)
Noble gases	Kr-85m	4.48h	24.6	151(0.753)
	Kr-85	10.72y	1.1	514(0.0044)
	Kr-87	76.3m	47.1	403(0.495)
	Kr-88	2.84h	66.8	196(0.26),1530(0.109)
	Xe-133	5.25d	202.0	81(0.365)
	Xe-135	9.11h	26.1	250(0.899)
Halogens	I-131	8.04d	96.0	364(0.812)
	I-132	2.3h	140	668(0.99,773(0.762)
	I-133	20.8h	201	530(0.86)
	I-134	52.6m	221	847(0.954),884(0.653)
	I-135	6.61h	189	1132(0.225),1260(0.286)
Alkali Metals	Cs-134	2.06y	19.6	605(0.98),796(0.85)
	Cs-137	30.17y	12.1	662(0.85)
	Cs-138	32.2m	178.0	463(0.307),1436(0.76)
Tellurium Group	Te-132	78.2h	138	228(0.88)
Noble Metals	Mo-99	66.02h	183	740(0.128)
	Ru-103	39.4d	155	497(0.89)
Alkaline Earths	Sr-91	9.5h	115	750(0.23),1024(0.325)
	Sr-92	2.71h	123	1388(0.9)
	Ba-140	12.8d	173	537(0.254)
Rare Earths	Y-92	3.54h	124	934(0.139)
	La-140	40.2h	184	487(0.455),1597(0.955)
	Ce-141	32.5d	161	145(0.48)
	Ce-144	284.3d	129	134(0.108)
Refractories	Zr-95	64.0d	161	724(0.437,757(0.553)
	Zr-97	16.9h	166	743(0.928)

<sup>\*</sup>Only the representative isotopes which have relatively large inventory and considered to be easy to measure are listed here.

<sup>\*\*</sup>At the time of reactor shutdown.

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# FISSION PRODUCT CONCENTRATIONS IN REACTOR WATER AND DRYWELL GAS SPACE DURING REACTOR SHUTDOWN UNDER NORMAL CONDITIONS

	Reactor Wate	er, (#Ci/g)	Drywell Gas	(yCi/cc)
Isotope	Upper Limit	Nominal	Upper Limit	Nominal
1-131	29	0.7		
Cs-137 <sup>c</sup>	0.3ª	0.03 <sup>b</sup>		
Xe-133			1×10 <sup>-4a</sup>	1×10 <sup>-5b</sup>
Kr-85		***	4×10 <sup>-5a</sup>	4×10 <sup>-6b</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup>Observed experimentally, in an operating BWR-3 with MK I containment data obtained from GE unpublished document, DRF 268-DEV-0009.

bAssuming 10% of the upper limit values.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mathrm{C}}$ Release of Cs-137 activity would strongly depend on the core inventory which is a function of fuel burnup.

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# RATIOS OF ISOTOPES IN CORE INVENTORY AND FUEL GAP

Isotope	Half-Life	Activity Ratio in Core Inventory	Activity Ratio in Fuel Gap
Kr-87	76.3m	0.233	0.0234
Kr-88	2.84h	0.33	0.0495
Kr-85m	4.48h	0.122	0.023
Xe-133	5.25d	1.0	1.0
1-134	52.6m	2.3	0.155
I-132	2.3h	1.46	0.127
I-135	6.61h	1.97	0.364
I-133	20.8h	2.09	0.685
I-131	8.04d	1.0	1.0

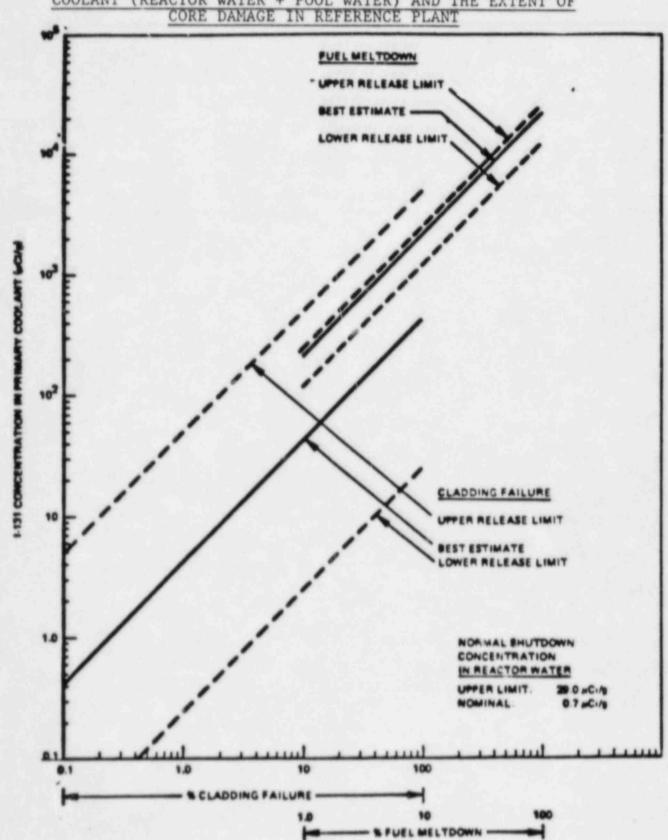
Ratio (for noble gases) =  $\frac{\text{noble gas isotope concentration}}{\text{Xe-133 concentration}}$ 

Ratio (for iodines) =  $\frac{\text{Iodine isotope concentration}}{\text{I-131 concentration}}$ 

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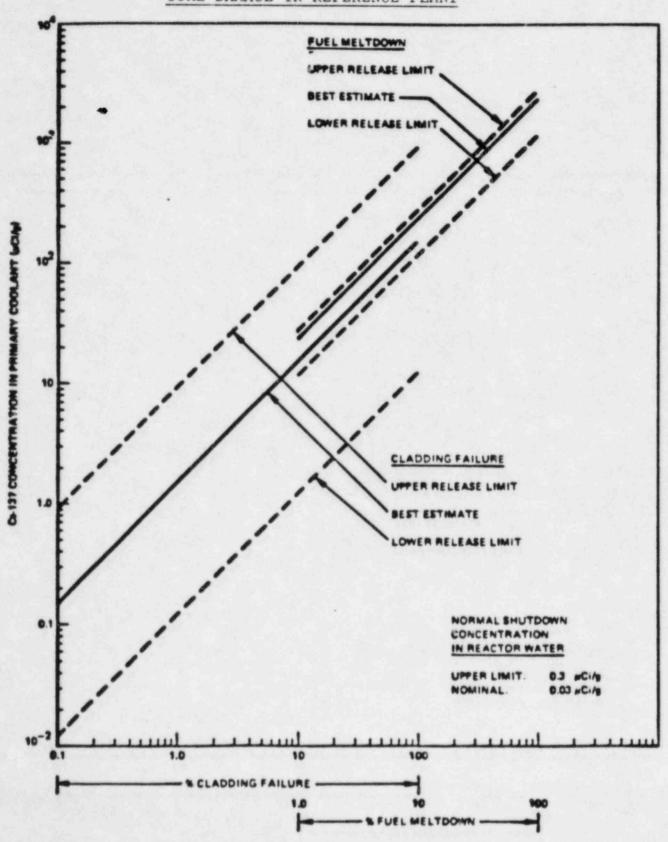
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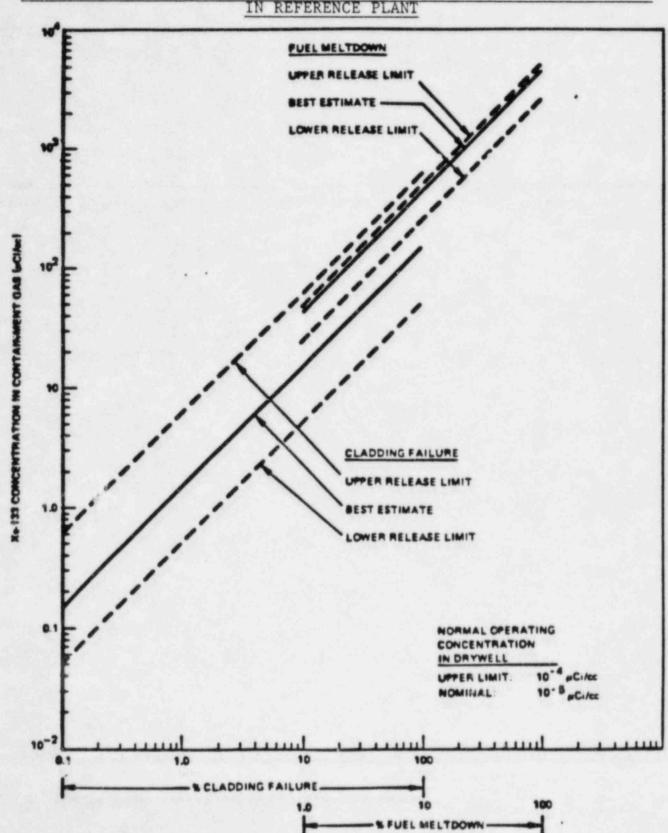
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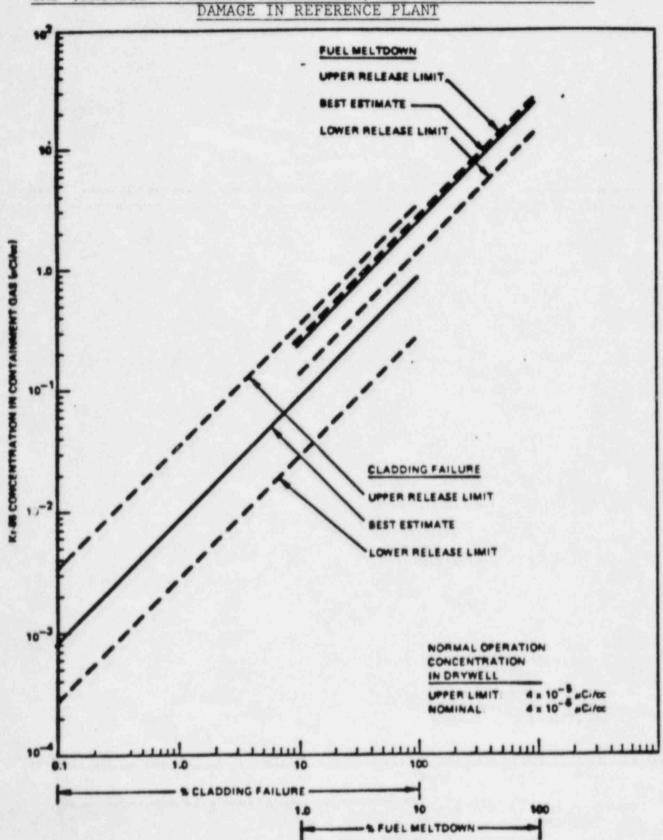
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN Xe-133 CONCENTRATION IN THE CONTAINMENT GAS (DRYWELL + PRIMARY CONTAINMENT) AND THE EXTENT OF CORE DAMAGE IN REFERENCE PLANT



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RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN Kr-85 CONCENTRATION IN THE CONTAINMENT GAS (DRYWELL + PRIMARY CONTAINMENT) AND THE EXTENT OF CORE DAMAGE IN REFERENCE PLANT



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# SAMPLES MOST REPRESENTATIVE OF CORE CONDITIONS DURING AN ACCIDENT FOR THE ESTIMATION OF CORE DAMAGE

Break Category/System Conditions	Sample Location					Other Instructions	
		Supp. Pool Liquid	Supp. Pool Atmos.	RHR	Drywell		
Small Liquid Line Break, Reactor Power ≥1%	Yes		Yes1		Yes <sup>2</sup>		
Small Liquid Line Break, Reactor Power <1%			Yes <sup>1</sup>	Yes	Yes <sup>2</sup>	RHR must be in shutdown cooling mode. Reactor water level must be raised and flow from moisture separators.	
Small Steam Line Break, Reactor Power ≥1%	Yes		Yes <sup>1</sup>		Yes <sup>2</sup>		
Small Steam Line Break, Reactor Power <1%			Yes <sup>1</sup>	Yes	Yes <sup>2</sup>	RHR must be in shutdown cooling mode. Reactor water level must be raised and flow from moisture separators.	
Large Liquid Line Break, Reactor Power ≥1%	Yes <sup>3</sup>	Yes <sup>4</sup>	Yes <sup>1</sup>		Yes <sup>2</sup>	Suppression pool must be in suppression cooling mode.	
Large Liquid Line Break, Reactor Power <1%		Yes <sup>4</sup>	Yes <sup>1</sup>	Yes <sup>3</sup>	Yes <sup>2</sup>	RHR must be in shutdown cooling mode. Suppression pool must be in suppression cooling mode. Reactor water level must be raised and flow from moisture sepatators.	

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### SAMPLES MOST REPRESENTATIVE OF CORE CONDITIONS DURING AN ACCIDENT FOR THE ESTIMATION OF CORE DAMAGE

Break Category/System Conditions		Sample Location				Other Instructions
	Jet Pump	Supp. Pool Liquid	Supp. Pool Atmos.	RHR	Drywell	
Large Steam Line Break, Reactor Power ≥1%	Yes <sup>3</sup>	Yes <sup>4</sup>			Yes	
Large Steam Line Break, Reactor Power <1%			Yes <sup>1</sup>	Yes	Yes <sup>2</sup>	RHR must be in shutdown cooling mode. Reactor water level must be raised and flow from moisture separators.

1. Use if SRV's are vented to suppression pool.

Use if SRV's are not vented to suppression pool.
 Use if makeup water flow is 50% of core flow present.
 Use if makeup water flow is 50% of core flow present.

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#### PLANT PARAMETERS

			PRIMARY	COOLANT *	CONTAINMENT GAS**		
PLANT	REACTOR TYPE/CON- TAINMENT DESIGN	RATED POWER (MW <sub>4</sub> )	REACTOR WATER <sub>8</sub> MASS (10 <sup>8</sup> g)	SUPPRESSION POOL WATER (10 g)	DRYWELL GAS <sub>9</sub> VOL. (10 cc)	PRIMARY CONTAINMENT GAS VOLUME (10°cc)	
CPS	BWR6/MKIII	2894	2.13	4.09	6.98	37.00	

<sup>\*</sup> Total Primary Coolant Mass = Reactor Water + Suppression Pool Water

<sup>\*\*</sup> Total Containment Gas Volume = Drywell Gas + Primary Containment

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## SAMPLE CALCULATION OF FISSION PRODUCT INVENTORY CORRECTION FACTOR

F<sub>Ii</sub> = Inventory of nuclide i in reference plant Inventory of nuclide i in operating plant

$$= \int_{1}^{3651 (1-e^{-1095\lambda_{i}})} \left[ P_{j}^{(1-e^{-\lambda_{i}T_{j}})e^{-\lambda_{i}T_{j}}} \right]$$

where

P; = steady reactor power operated in period j (MWt)

 $\lambda_i$  = decay constant of nuclide i (day<sup>-1</sup>)

 $T_i = duration of operating period j (day)$ 

 $T_j^0$  = time between the end of operating period j and time of last reactor shutdown (day)

3651 = ave. operation power (in MWt) for the reference Station.

1095 = continuous operation time (in day) for the reference Station.

Assuming a reactor has the following power operation history:

Operation Period	Days since startup	Operation Time T <sub>j</sub> (day)	тj°	Average Power Pj (MWt)
1A	1 - 60	60	254	1000
1B	61 - 70			0
2A	71 - 270	200	44	2000
2B	271 - 300			0
3	301 - 314	14	0	3000

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For I-131 ( $\lambda = 0.0862 \text{ day}^{-1}$ )

$$F_{I(I-131)} = \frac{3651(1-e^{-0.0862\times1095})}{1000(1-e^{-0.0862\times60})e^{-0.0862\times254} + 2000(1-e^{-0.0862\times200})}$$

$$e^{-0.0862x44} + 3000(1-e^{-0.0862x14})e^{-0.0862x0}$$

$$= \frac{3651}{0 + .45 + 2103} = 1.7$$

For Cs-137 ( $\lambda = 6.29 \times 10^{-5} \text{ day}^{-1}$ )

$$F_{\text{I(Cs-137}} = \frac{3651(1-e^{-6.29\times10^{-5}\times1095})}{1000(1-e^{-6.29\times10^{-5}\times60})e^{-6.29\times10^{-5}\times254}}$$

$$+2000(1-e^{-6.29\times10^{-5}\times200})e^{-6.29\times10^{-5}\times44}$$

$$+3000(1-e^{-6.29\times10^{-5}\times14})e^{-6.29\times10^{-5}\times0}$$

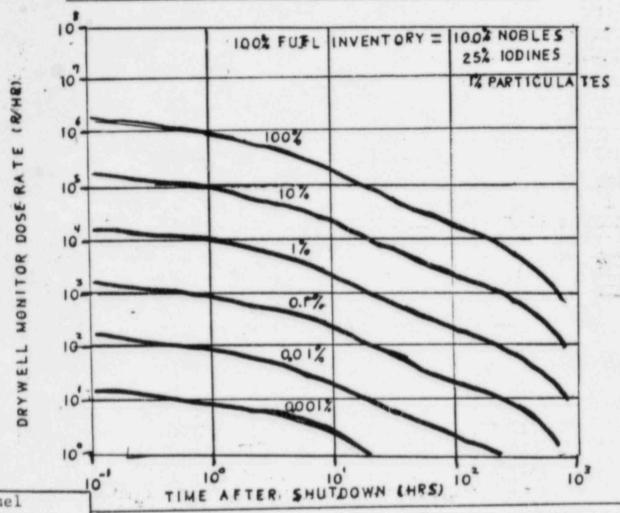
$$= \frac{243.16}{3.74 + 24.93 + 2.64} = 7.77$$

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# PERCENT OF FUEL INVENTORY AIRBORNE IN THE DRYWELL



% Fuel	TIME AFTER SHUTDOWN CHEST
Inventory Released	Approximate Source and Damage Estimate
100.	100% TID-14844, 100% fuel damage, potential core melt.
50.	50% TID noble gases, TMI source.
10.	10% TID, 100% NRC gap activity, total clad failure, partial core uncovered.
3.	3% TID, 100% WASH-1400 gap activity, major clad failure.
1.	1% TID, 10% NRC gap, Max. 10% clad failure.
.1	.1% TID, 1% NRC gap, 1% clad failure, local heating of 5-10 fuel assemblies.

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.01	.01% TID, 1% NRC gap, clad failure of 3/4 fuel element (36 rods).
10-3	.01% NRC gap, clad failure of a few rods.
10-4	100% coolant release with spiking.
5×10 <sup>-6</sup>	100% coolant inventory release.
10-6	Upper range of normal airborne noble gas activity in containment.

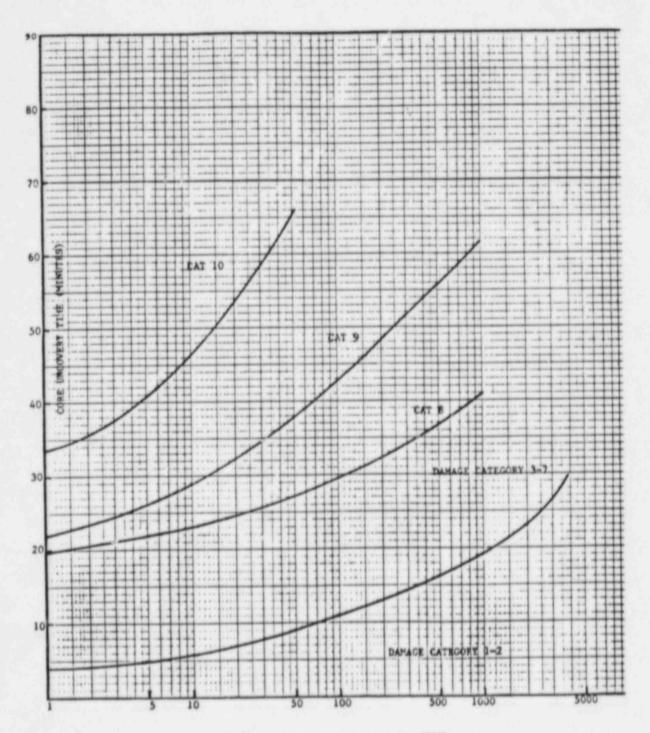
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# MAXIMUM ACCEPTABLE CORE UNCOVERY TIME VS. TIME AFTER REACTOR SHUTDOWN



TIME AFTER REACTOR SHUTDOWN (MINUTES)