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A Sensitivity Study on the Fuel Rod Hydraulic Stability of Improved 16×16 Fuel Design

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Abstract

The fuel rod instability can be occurred because of the axial and cross flow due to the flow anomaly and/or flow redistribution in the lower core plate region of the pressurized water reactor core. The fuel rod vibration due to the hydraulic instability is one of the root causes of fuel failure. The verification on the fuel rod vibration and instability is needed for the new fuel assembly design to verify the fuel rod instability. In this study, the fuel rod vibration and stability analyses were performed to investigate the sensitivity of span adjustment of improved 16X16 fuel assembly design. Based on the results, the grid axial elevation of improved 16X16 fuel assembly design was proposed by evaluating the vibration characteristic and instability ratio for each span adjustment case.

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Westinghouse

OFA, V5H

(Span Adjustment)

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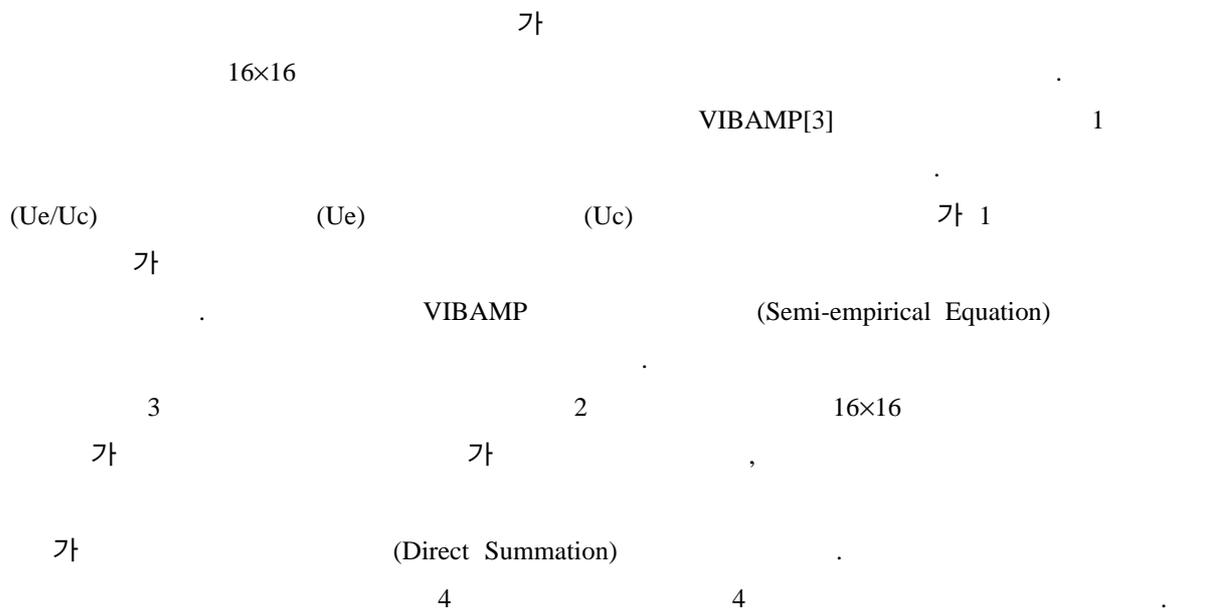
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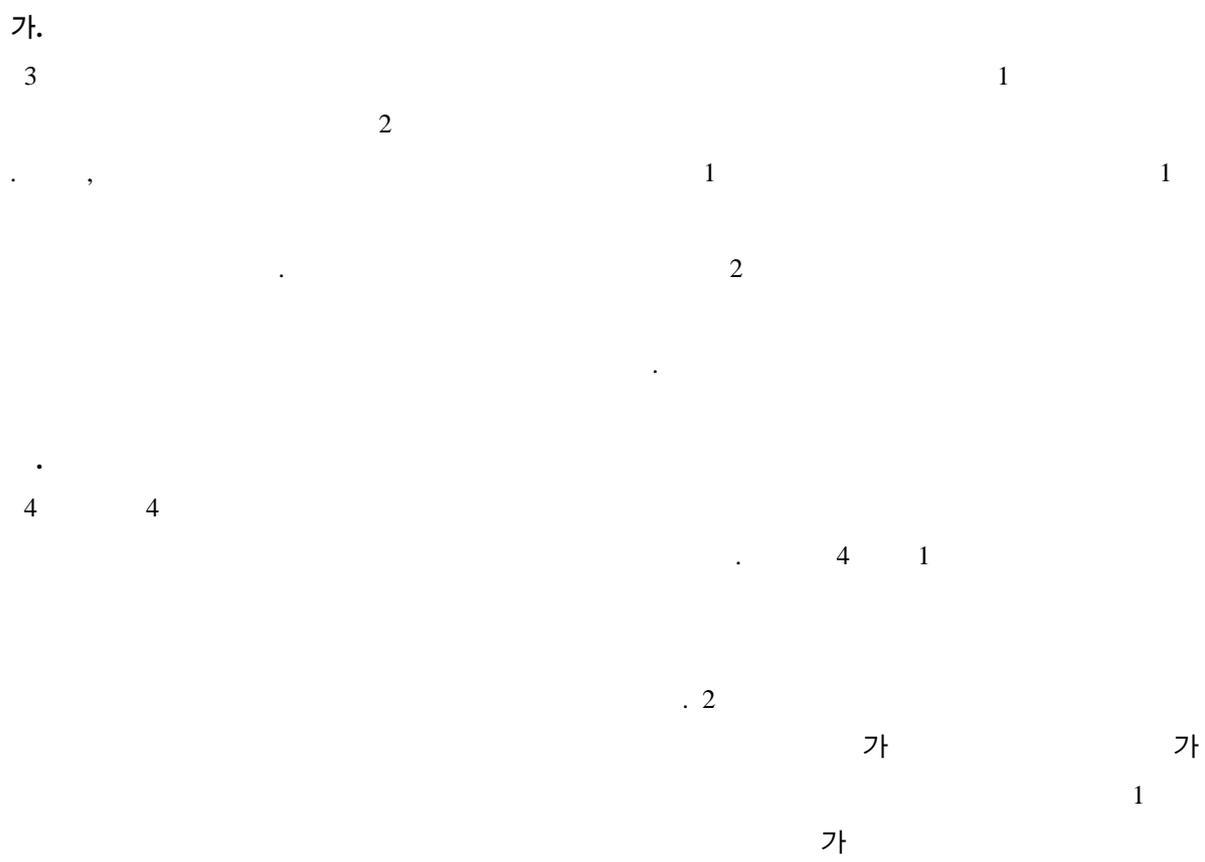
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[1] Mechanical Design Manual, Westinghouse Proprietary, 1999

[2] WECAN User's Manual, Westinghouse Proprietary, 1989

[3] VIBAMP User's Manual, Westinghouse Proprietary, 1989

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		ZIRLO™	
	(in.)	0.360	
	(in.)	0.315	
	(in.)	0.0225	
		ZIRLO™	
	(in.)	1.522	
		2.25	
		0.62	

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		(in.)	(in.)	(in.)
()		-	-	24.43
()	CASE 1	0.50	0.70	23.23
	CASE 2	1.00	0.70	22.73
	CASE 3	0.50	0.35	23.58
	CASE 4	1.00	0.35	23.08

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		CASE 1	CASE 2	CASE 3	CASE 4	
1	34.105	37.273	38.645	36.375	37.775	
2	43.411	43.172	43.252	43.335	43.359	
3	45.014	44.392	44.484	44.752	44.801	
4	47.339	46.569	46.614	46.938	46.978	
5	49.942	49.319	49.336	49.575	49.597	
6	52.255	51.947	51.952	52.062	52.070	
7	53.656	53.606	53.607	53.624	53.625	
8	95.051	104.050	108.060	101.450	105.450	
9	123.340	122.090	122.340	122.990	123.060	
10	127.440	125.370	125.510	126.480	126.600	

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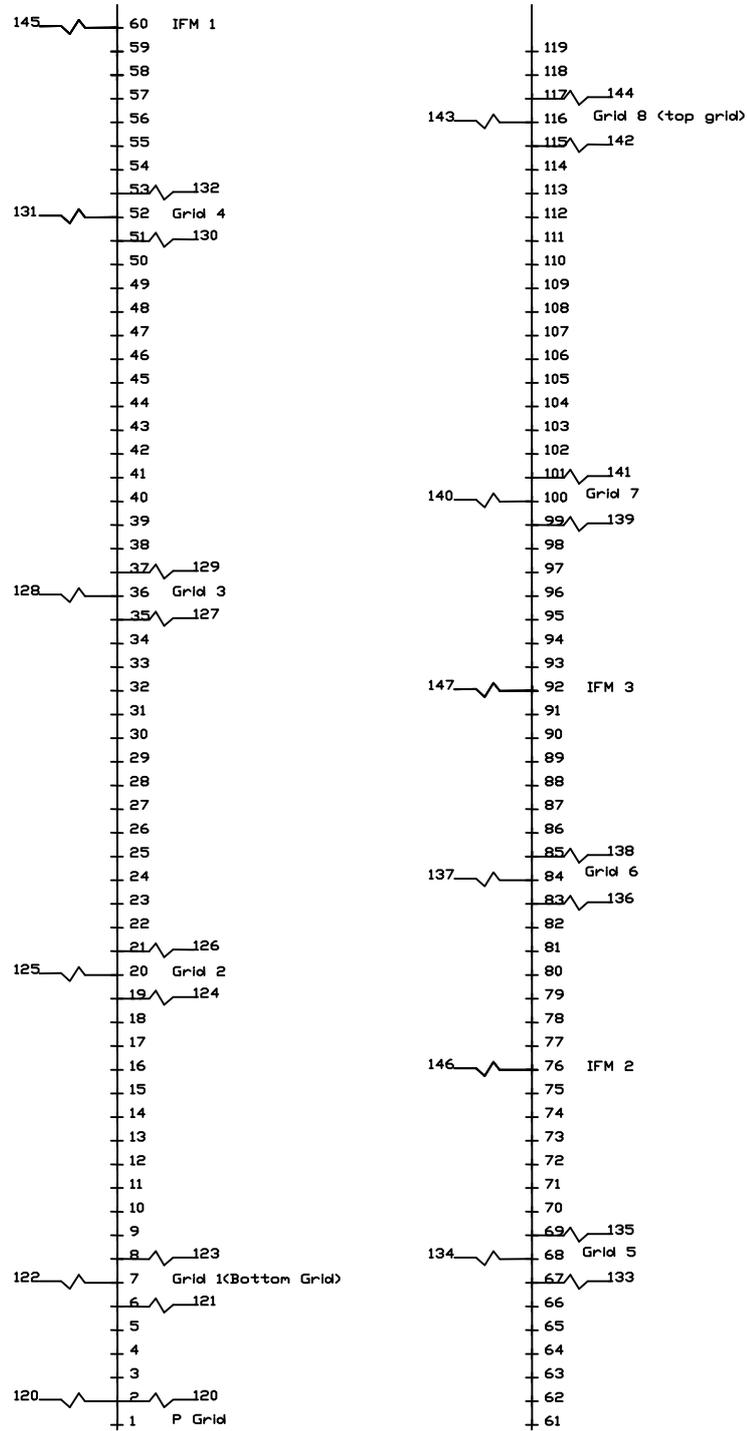
(Instability Ratio)

		CASE 1	CASE 2	CASE 3	CASE 4	
1	0.429	0.380	0.356	0.395	0.374	
2	0.563	0.482	0.505	0.539	0.545	
3	0.478	0.480	0.466	0.461	0.461	
4	0.546	0.578	0.574	0.561	0.557	
5	0.510	0.501	0.500	0.500	0.500	
6	0.500	0.543	0.542	0.526	0.525	
7	0.549	0.566	0.565	0.560	0.560	
8	0.169	0.148	0.139	0.154	0.147	
9	0.127	0.097	0.102	0.117	0.119	
10	0.113	0.127	0.124	0.114	0.113	

(Vibration Amplitude)

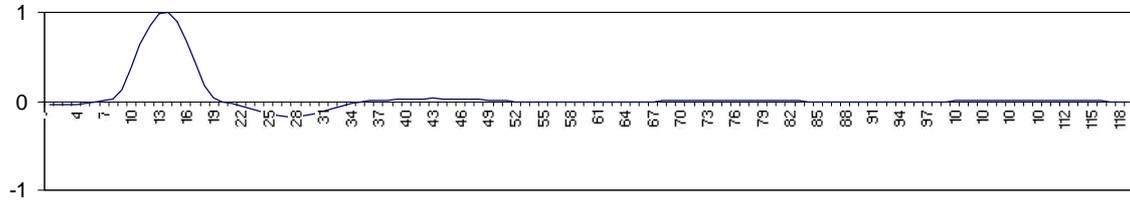
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1	1.020	0.774	0.684	0.847	0.759	
2	0.311	0.290	0.293	0.306	0.307	
3	0.289	0.289	0.284	0.280	0.280	
4	0.259	0.284	0.281	0.268	0.268	
5	0.222	0.241	0.241	0.234	0.233	
6	0.207	0.217	0.217	0.212	0.211	
7	0.182	0.192	0.192	0.188	0.188	
8	0.053	0.041	0.036	0.044	0.040	
9	0.016	0.017	0.016	0.015	0.015	
10	0.014	0.016	0.016	0.015	0.015	

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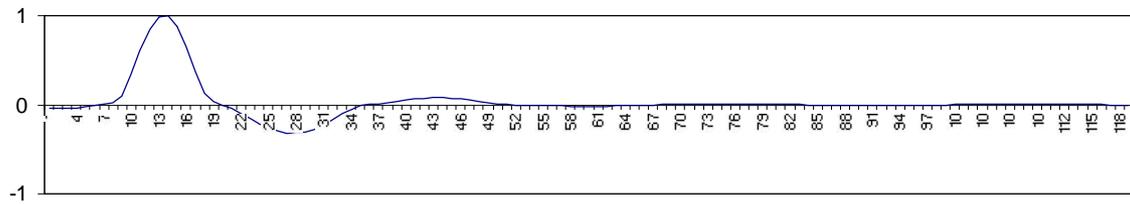


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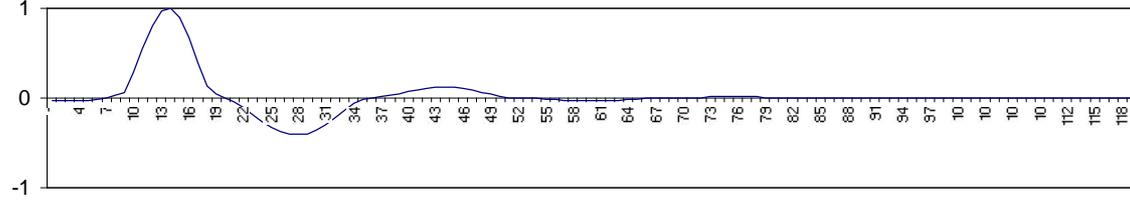
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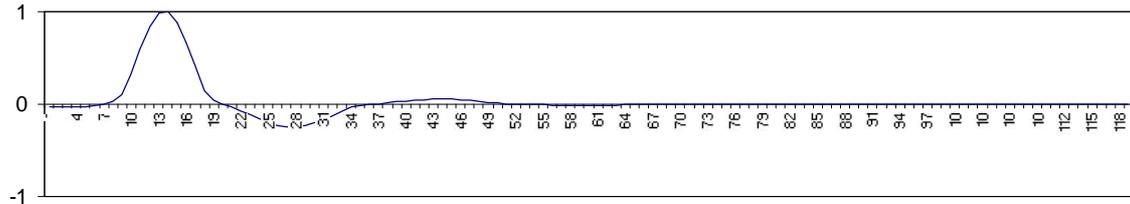
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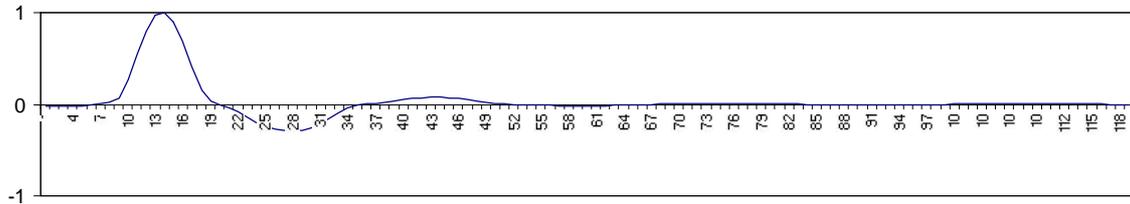
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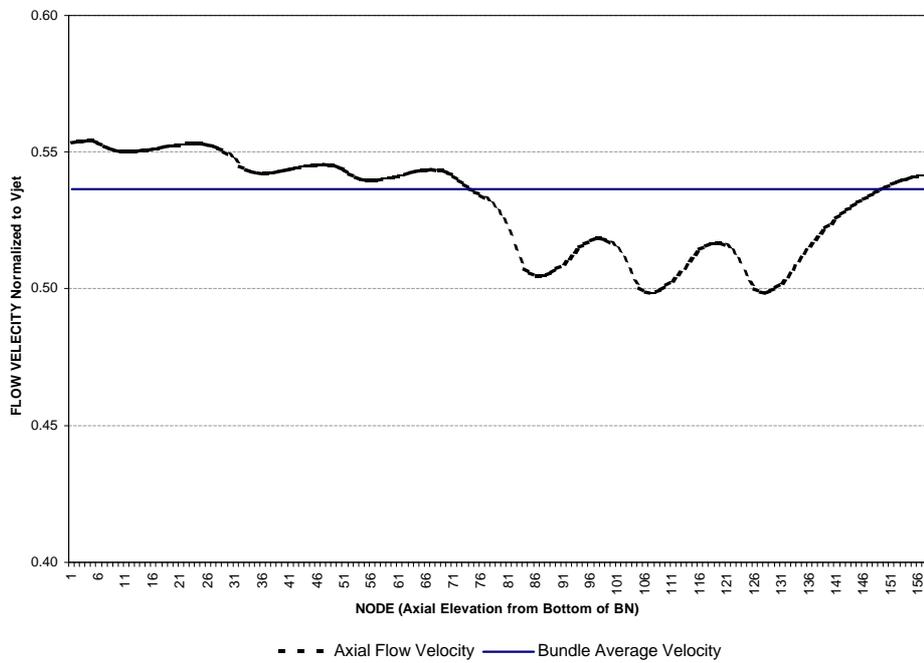
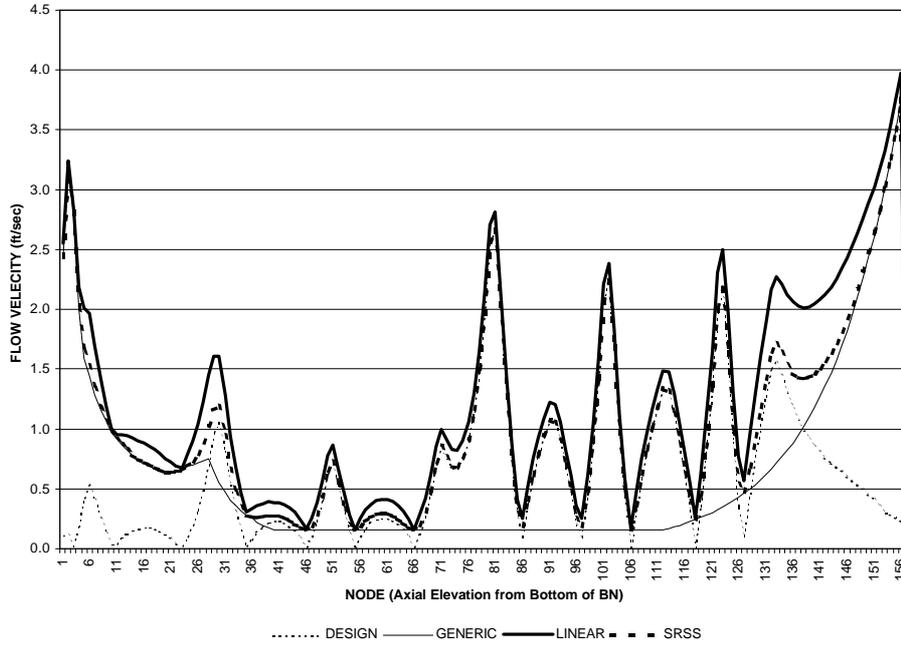
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CASE 4

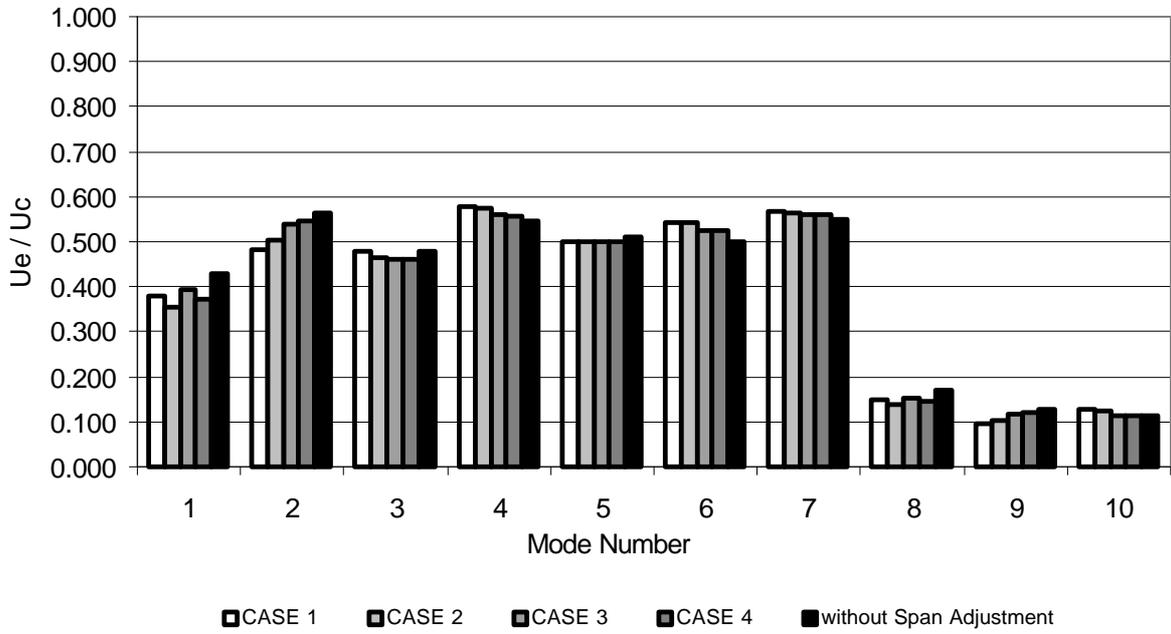


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(Instability Ratio)



(Vibration Amplitude)

