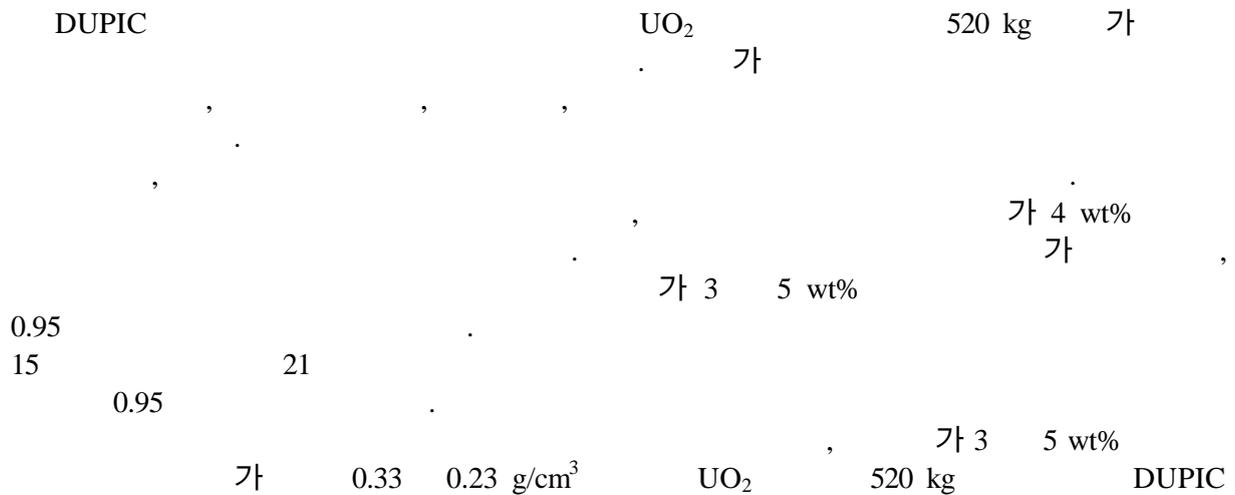


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## Nuclear Criticality Analysis for DUPIC Fuel Fabrication Facility

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### ABSTRACT

Nuclear criticality analysis for DUPIC fuel fabrication facility at the normal conditions has been carried out under the assumption that UO<sub>2</sub> amount to be handled in the facility is 520 kg. The sensitivity analyses at the hypothetic accidental conditions have been done for the nuclear material container array, UO<sub>2</sub> bulk density, water concentration, enrichment, and UO<sub>2</sub> amount in the facility.

The result shows that the facility at the normal condition is sufficiently maintained in the subcritical condition. It is also proved that the facility is well below the critical condition when enrichment is equal to or lower than about 4.0 wt% through the sensitivity analysis for the container array and water concentration. In the hypothetical accident condition that the all nuclear materials are clustered, the maximum  $k_{eff}$  values at 3 and 5 wt% of the enrichment are much higher than the subcritical limit of 0.95. Even though burnup credit is applied, the maximum  $k_{eff}$  values of both actinide-only and actinides (14 nuclides) plus fission products (21 nuclides) are higher than 0.95. It is revealed that 520 kg can be handled in the facility under the limited condition that water concentration in the void of UO<sub>2</sub> material is below 0.33 and 0.23 g/cm<sup>3</sup> for 3 and 5 wt% of the enrichment, respectively.

1.

DUPIC M6 DUPIC 가  
( )  
가

[1]

가

가

2.

가

가

가

가

30 cm

가

가

1)

15가

Fig. 1

Fig. 2-5

가

가

가

Table 1

3.2, 5.2 10.6 g/cm<sup>3</sup> 가

(rack) 가

4.32 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

가

(bulk density)

가

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Table 1

가

520 kg

가

200 kg

2) 가

가

가

가

가

10 cm

Fig. 6

가

가

(520 kg)

가

3)

가

(k<sub>eff</sub>=0.95)

k<sub>eff</sub>=0.95

가

1)

$$k_{\text{eff(max)}} = k_{\text{cal}} + \Delta k_b + \Delta k_u$$

(1)

k<sub>cal</sub>

95 %

, k<sub>b</sub>

. k<sub>u</sub>

가

2) 가

NUREG-0800[2]  
ANSI8.1.83[3]

ANSI8.1.83  
[2] 0.98 , 0.95 , 가  
0.95 , 가  
 $K_{max} \leq 0.95$  (2)

#### 4. MCNP4B

MCNP4B [4]  
UO<sub>2</sub> , 가 40 % UO<sub>2</sub>  
MCNP4B [5]. Table 2  
2.35 5.0 wt% , 가 , 40  
가 10 가  
MCNP4B  
Table 2 . Table 2  
가 (tolerance limit factor) (2.065)[6,7]  
95 % 95 %  
MCNP4B 0.02487 [8].

#### 5.

가.  
Table 1 Fig. 1  
Fig. 7 가 1  
g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
Fig. 6  
가 5 wt% (1)  
Fig. 8 . Fig. 8 가 가  
가 , 2 cm 0.95 가  
가 0.6 g/cm<sup>3</sup>  
0.95 가  
0.001327 g/cm<sup>3</sup> 0.6 g/cm<sup>3</sup> 가 가

9 . 가 4.0 wt% . Fig. 0.95

가 4.0 wt%

1) 3.0 5.0 wt%

가 3 5 wt% UO<sub>2</sub> Fig. 10 11 . Fig. 10

가

UO<sub>2</sub> 가 2 g/cm<sup>3</sup> . Fig. 11

1.30 . Fig. 11 1.18 가 3.0 wt%

2)

3.5 wt% 1&2 KOFA 37240 MWd/tU

3 DUPIC 가

SCALE4.4 SAS2H ,

95 % 95 %

가 [9].

21 , <sup>241</sup>Am 14

Fig. 12 13 . 0.95

가

가 <sup>149</sup>Sm <sup>103</sup>Rh

3) UO<sub>2</sub>

Fig. 14 3.0 5.0 wt% 가

UO<sub>2</sub>

2 ~ 3 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

가 0.001327 g/cm<sup>3</sup> 100

0.01327 g/cm<sup>3</sup> Fig. 15 16 . Fig. 15

가 0.01327 g/cm<sup>3</sup> Fig. 16 UO<sub>2</sub> 3,600 kg

Fig. 17 (k<sub>eff</sub>=0.95)

. Fig. 17 가 , 36 kg

[9] 32 kg ,

가 3 5 wt% 가 0.33 0.23 g/cm<sup>3</sup>

UO<sub>2</sub> 520 kg DUPIC

6.

DUPIC 520 kg 가

가 가

가 가

가 4.0 wt% 가 가

가 5 wt% 가 가

- UO<sub>2</sub> 가 0.33 0.23 g/cm<sup>3</sup> UO<sub>2</sub> 가 3 5 wt% ,  
520 kg DUPIC

DUPIC

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Table 1. Design Specification of DUPIC Fuel Fabrication Device

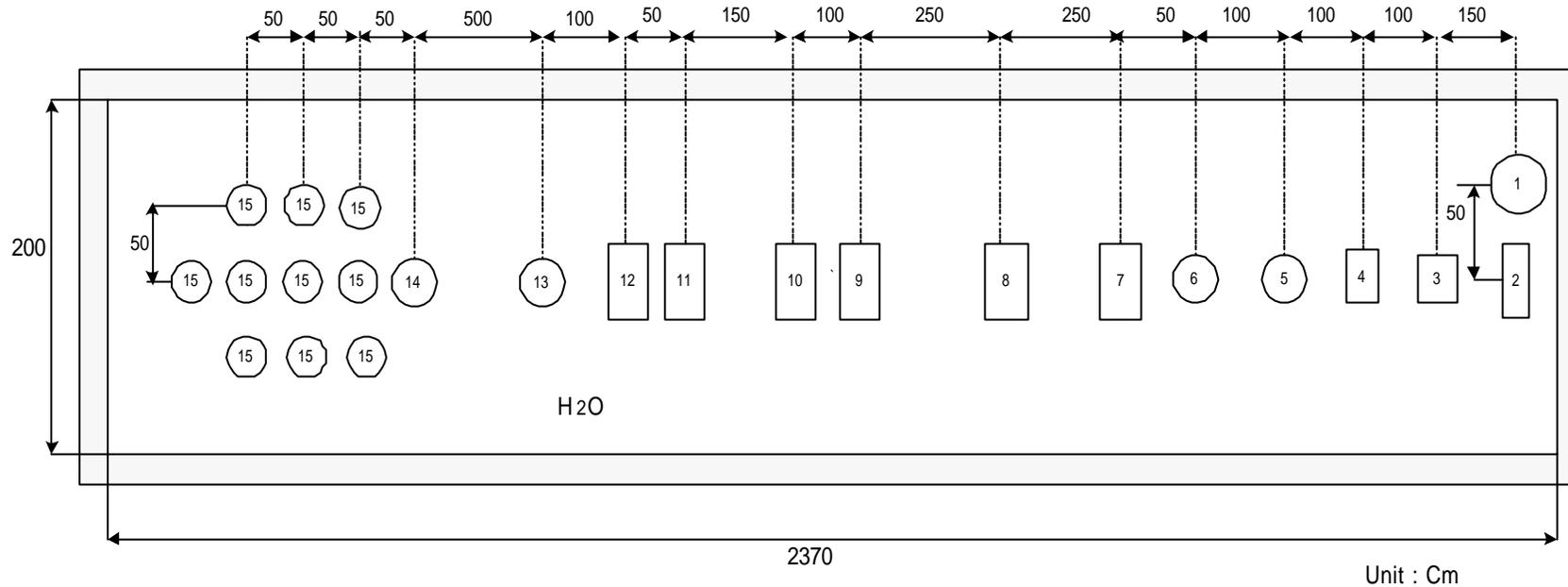
Device	Material			Geometrical model	
	Status	Density	Mass (kg)	Type	Dimension (cm)
1. Rod-cut storage	Pellet	5.2	40	Cylinder	20(Dia.), 25(H)
2. Slitting machine	Pellet fragment	5.2	34	Cubic	12.5(W) × 24.5(L) × 21.3(H)
3. OREOX furnace	Powder	3.2	32	Cubic	17.76(W) × 28.76(L) × 19.5(H)
4. Mill	Powder	3.2	3	Cubic	9(W) × 9(L) × 12(H)
5. Roll compact	Powder	4	40	Cylinder	20(Dia.), 31.4(H)
6. Mixer	Powder	4	40	Cylinder	20(Dia.), 31.4(H)
7. Compaction press	Green pellet	4.32*	11	Cubic	9.5(W) × 20.2(L) × 13.5(H)
8. Sintering furnace	Pellet	7.63**	19.8	Cubic	9.5(W) × 20.2(L) × 13.5(H)
9. Centerless grinder	Pellet	7.63	19.8	Cubic	9.5(W) × 20.2(L) × 13.5(H)
10. Pellet cleaner /dryer	Pellet	7.63	19.8	Cubic	9.5(W) × 20.2(L) × 13.5(H)
11. Pellet stack adjuster	Pellet	7.63	19.8	Cubic	9.5(W) × 20.2(L) × 13.5(H)
12. Pellet loading machine	Pellet	7.63	19.8	Cubic	9.5(W) × 20.2(L) × 13.5(H)
13. End cap welder	Pellet	10.6	0.82	Cylinder	1.4(Dia.), 50(H)
14. End plate welder	Pellet	5.2	20	Cylinder	10(Dia.), 50(H)
15. Dupic bundle storage	Bundle	5.2	200	Cylinder	10(Dia.), 50(H) Cylinder : 10
<b>T o t a l</b>			520		

\* Bulk Density =  $0.72 \times 6.0 \text{ g/cm}^3$  (Green Pellet).

\*\* Bulk Density =  $0.72 \times 10.6 \text{ g/cm}^3$  (Sintered Pellet).

Table 2. Benchmark Calculation Results for NEA Criticality Safety Experiments

No	U(%) (Gadolinium Concentration)	Fuel Type	Cluster Dimension / Pitch (cm) / Fuel Length (cm)	Experiment	Calculation		$\Delta k$	$s_{\Delta k}$	
				$k_{eff} \pm s$	$k_{eff}$	$s$			
1	2.35 (1.04 ± 3.6 g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	S	17 x 36 / 1.684 / 91.44	1.0000 ± 0.0039	0.98237	0.00183	-0.01763	0.00431	
2		Q	21 x 25		0.98656	0.00173	-0.01344	0.00427	
3		U	23 x 23		0.98980	0.00220	-0.01020	0.00448	
4		A	24 x 22		0.98848	0.00177	-0.01152	0.00428	
5		R	34 x 18		0.98653	0.00202	-0.01347	0.00439	
6		E	23 x 22		0.98355	0.00195	-0.01645	0.00436	
7			23 x 24		0.98602	0.00212	-0.01398	0.00444	
8			23 x 23		0.98955	0.00173	-0.01045	0.00427	
9			17 x 17, 17 x 1		0.98131	0.00179	-0.01869	0.00429	
10			17 x 17		0.98344	0.00196	-0.01656	0.00436	
11			17 x 17, 17 x 4		0.98471	0.00198	-0.01529	0.00437	
12			17 x 17, 17 x 15		0.98309	0.00175	-0.01691	0.00427	
13			17 x 17, 17 x 1		0.98383	0.00183	-0.01617	0.00431	
14			7 x 17, 17 x 2		0.98190	0.00184	-0.01810	0.00431	
15			17 x 17, 17 x 4		0.98277	0.00200	-0.01723	0.00438	
16			17 x 17, 17 x 9		0.98267	0.00183	-0.01733	0.00431	
17			17 x 17, 17 x 12		0.98207	0.00208	-0.01793	0.00442	
18			17 x 17, 17 x 15		0.98439	0.00161	-0.01561	0.00422	
19			17 x 17, 25 x 20		0.98391	0.00199	-0.01609	0.00438	
20			17 x 20, 25 x 18		0.98203	0.00187	-0.01797	0.00433	
21	4.31 (1.04 ± 3.6 g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	S	12 x 18 / 1.892 / 92.71	0.9998 ± 0.0033	0.99298	0.00183	-0.00682	0.00377	
22		Q	14 x 15		0.99050	0.00173	-0.00930	0.00373	
23		U	16 x 13		0.98942	0.00220	-0.01038	0.00397	
24		A	17 x 12		0.99113	0.00177	-0.00867	0.00374	
25		R	14 x 13		0.98826	0.00202	-0.01154	0.00387	
26		E	14 x 16		0.98380	0.00195	-0.01600	0.00383	
27			14 x 14		0.99078	0.00212	-0.00902	0.00392	
28	4.31 (1.04 ± 3.6 g/cm <sup>3</sup> )	S	9 x 12 / 1.892 / 92.71	0.9998 ± 0.0035	0.98467	0.00173	-0.01513	0.00390	
29		Q	12 x 16		0.98438	0.00179	-0.01542	0.00393	
30		U	12 x 16		0.99978	0.00196	-0.00002	0.00401	
31		A	9 x 12, 9 x 2		0.98147	0.00198	-0.01833	0.00402	
32		R	9 x 12, 9 x 12		0.98161	0.00175	-0.01819	0.00391	
33		E	9 x 12, 9 x 1		0.98675	0.00183	-0.01305	0.00395	
34			9 x 12, 9 x 1		0.98820	0.00184	-0.01160	0.00395	
35			9 x 12, 9 x 2		0.98552	0.00200	-0.01428	0.00403	
36			9 x 12, 9 x 4		0.98702	0.00183	-0.01278	0.00395	
37			9 x 12, 9 x 8		0.98219	0.00208	-0.01761	0.00407	
38			9 x 12, 9 x 10		0.98613	0.00161	-0.01367	0.00385	
39			9 x 12		0.98715	0.00199	-0.01265	0.00403	
40			9 x 10, 9 x 9		0.97945	0.00187	-0.02035	0.00397	
41	5.0	H	(No. of Rods) 3939 / 0.7 / 59.7	1.0000 ± 0.0063	1.01258	0.00110	0.01258	0.00640	
42		E	2124 / 0.8 / 59.7		1.00628	0.00113	0.00628	0.00591	
43		X	1319 / 1.4 / 59.7		1.00664	0.00086	0.00664	0.00616	
44		A	3267 / 1.3 / 59.7		1.0000 ± 0.0020	0.99319	0.00109	-0.00681	0.00228
45		G	1305		0.99848	0.00114	-0.00152	0.00230	
46		O	1051		0.99883	0.00110	-0.00117	0.00228	
47		N	952		0.99812	0.00116	-0.00188	0.00231	
48			842		0.99660	0.00113	-0.00340	0.00230	
49			785		1.00670	0.00098	0.00670	0.00223	
50			654		0.99766	0.00104	-0.00234	0.00225	
$\overline{\Delta k} \pm s_{\Delta k}$					-0.00905 ± 0.00766				
Cal. Bias					0.02487				



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|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Rod-Cut Storage (Pellet)         | 9. Centerless Grinder (Pellet)      |
| 2. Slitting Machine (Pellet+Powder) | 10. Pellet Cleaner/Dryer (Pellet)   |
| 3. OREOX Furnace (Powder)           | 11. Pellet Stack Adjuster (Pellet)  |
| 4. Mill (Powder)                    | 12. Pellet Loading Machine (Pellet) |
| 5. Roll Compactor (Granular Powder) | 13. End Cap Welder (Pellet)         |
| 6. Mixer (Granular Powder)          | 14. End Plate Welder (Pellet)       |
| 6. Compaction Press (Green Pellet)  | 15. Bundle Storage(Pellet)          |
| 8. Sintering Furnace (Pellet).      |                                     |

Fig. 1. Geometrical Model for DUPIC Fuel Fabrication Facility.

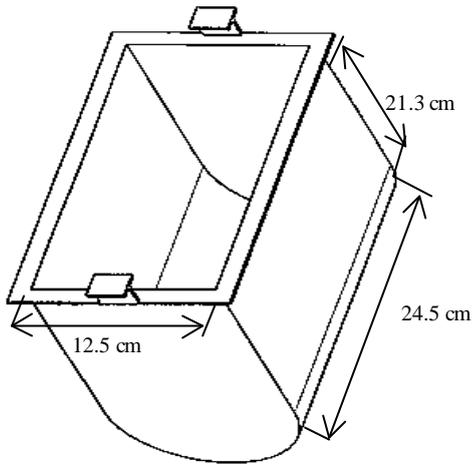


Fig 2. Pellet Containment in Slitting Machine.

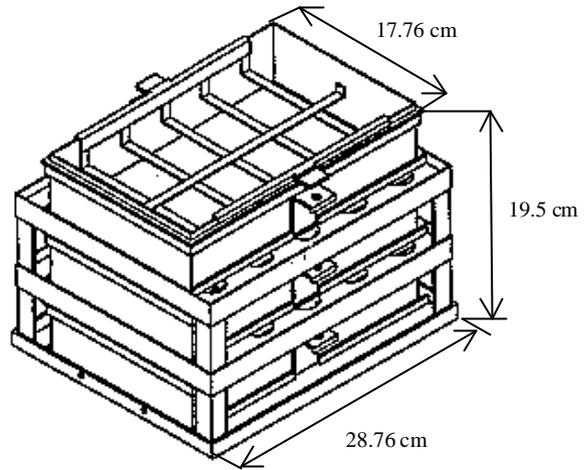
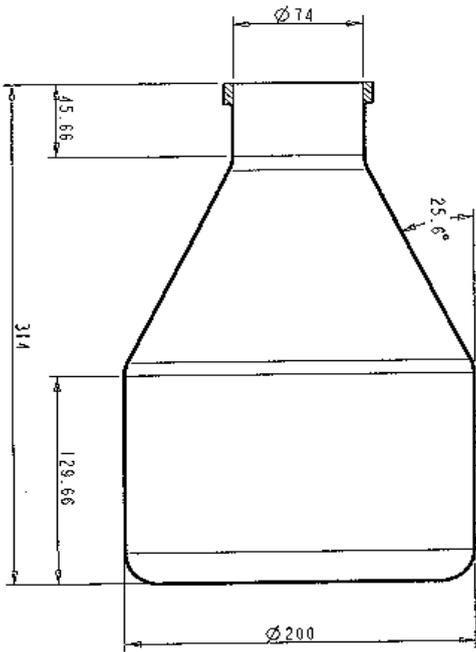


Fig.3. OREOX Furnace.



Unit: mm

Fig. 4. Roll Compactor and Mixer Machines.

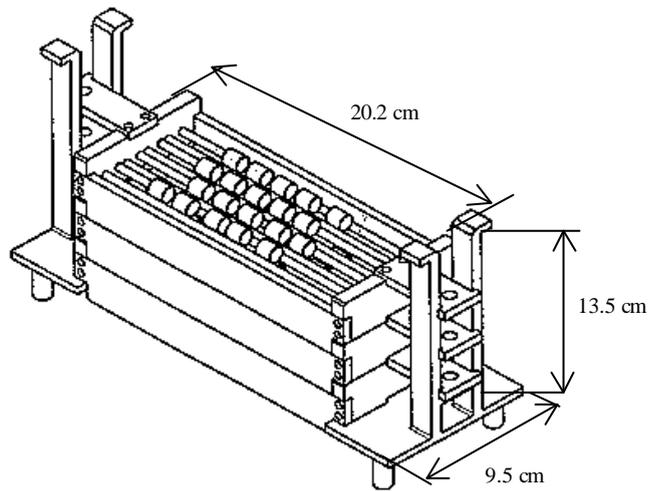
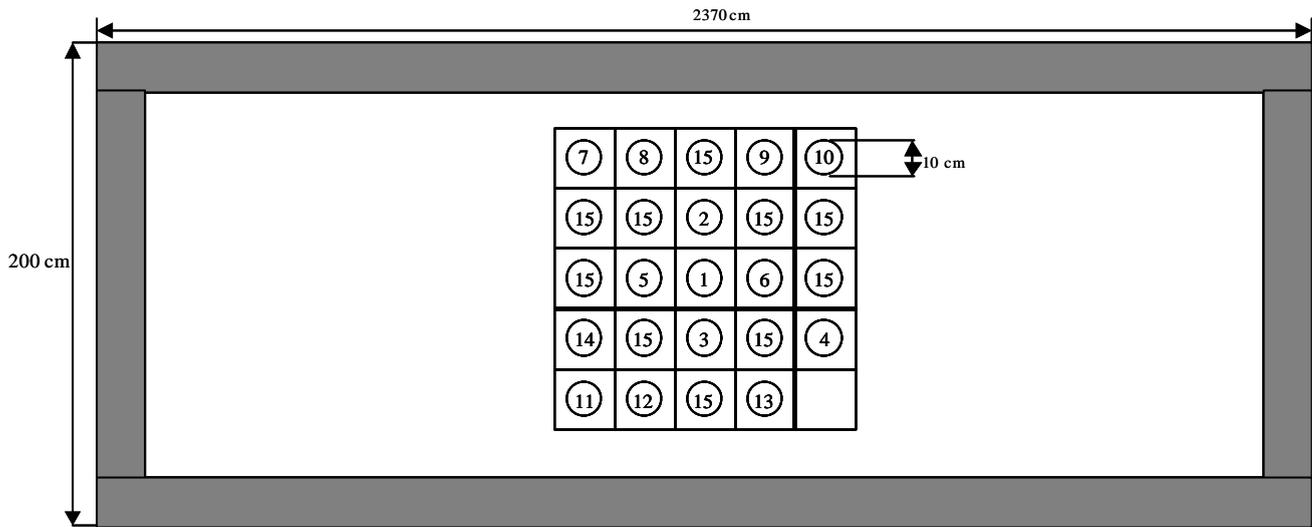


Fig. 5. Sintered Pellet Rack



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rod-Cut Storage (Pellet)</li> <li>2. Slitting Machine (Pellet Fragment)</li> <li>3. OREOX Furnace (Powder)</li> <li>4. Mill (Powder)</li> <li>5. Roll Compactor (Granular Powder)</li> <li>6. Mixer (Granular Powder)</li> <li>7. Compaction Press (Green Pellet)</li> <li>8. Sintering Furnace (Pellet)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. Centerless Grinder (Pellet)</li> <li>10. Pellet Cleaner/Dryer (Pellet)</li> <li>11. Pellet Stack Adjuster (Pellet)</li> <li>12. Pellet Loading Machine (Pellet)</li> <li>13. End Cap Welder (Pellet)</li> <li>14. End Plate Welder (Pellet)</li> <li>15. Dupic Bundle Storage (Pellet)</li> </ul> |
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Fig 6. Fuel Fabrication Device Array at the Accidental Condition.

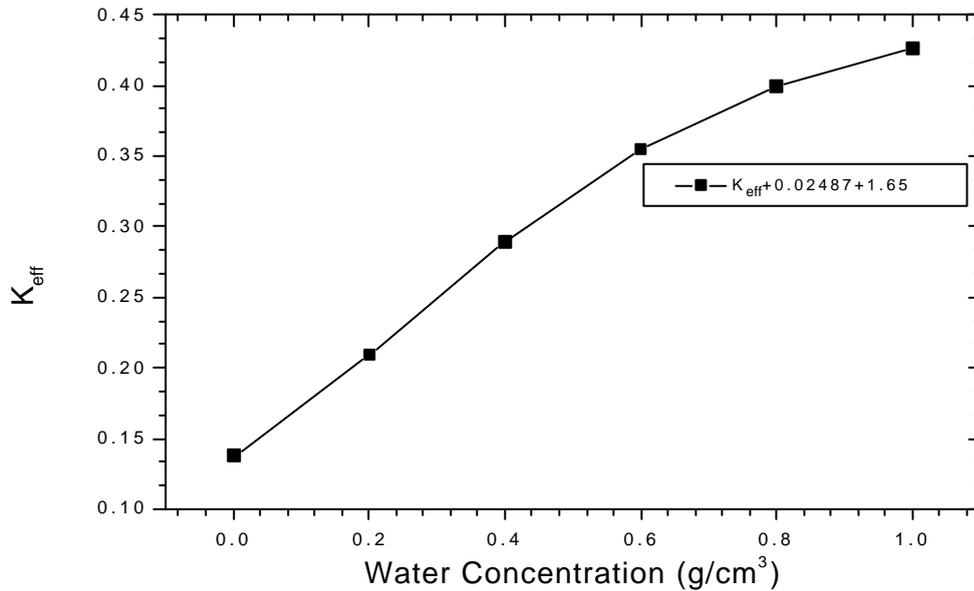


Fig. 7.  $K_{eff}$  as a Function of Water Concentration at the Normal Condition.

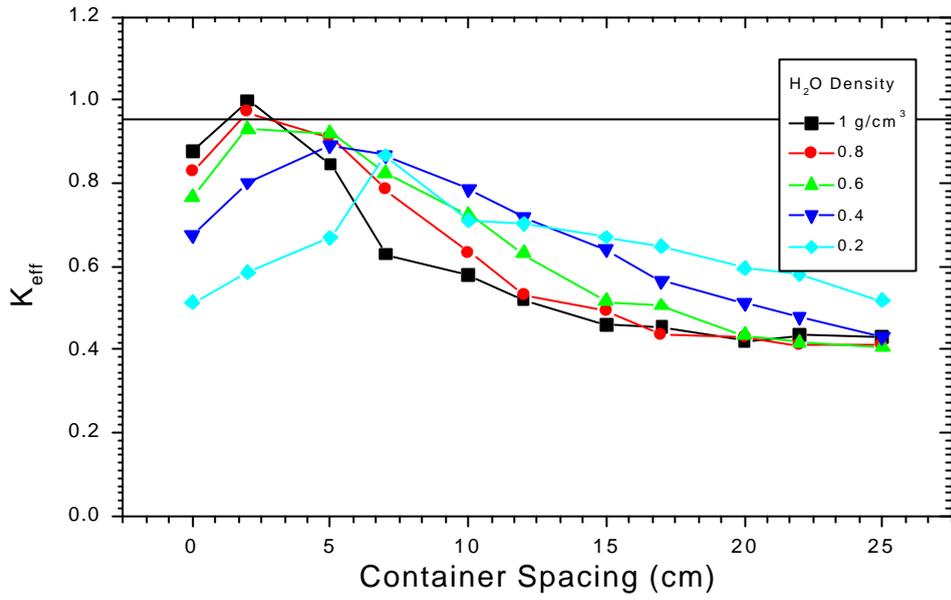


Fig. 8.  $K_{\text{eff}}$  as a Function of Container Spacing at the Accidental Condition.

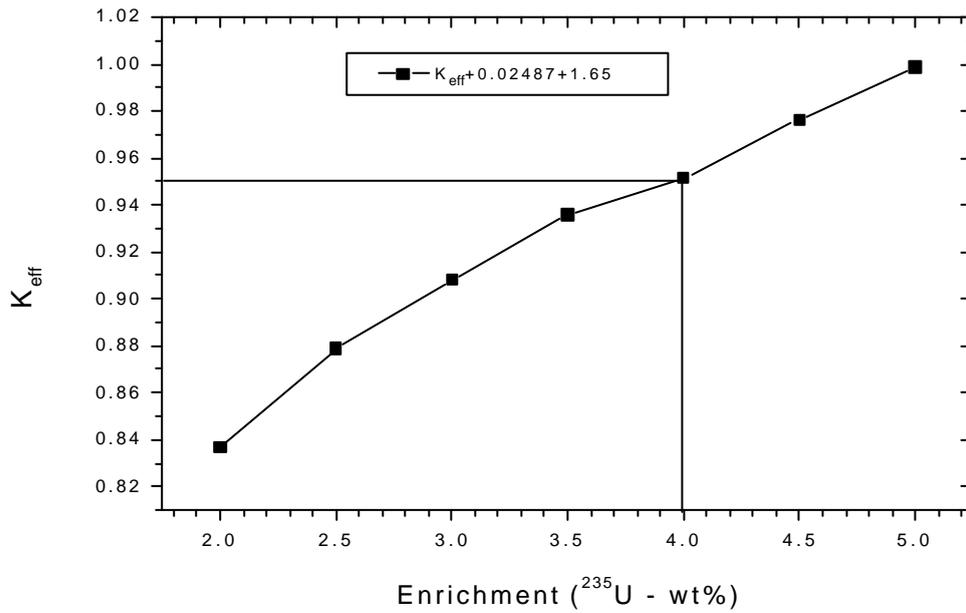


Fig. 9.  $K_{\text{eff}}$  as a Function of Enrichment at the Accidental Condition.

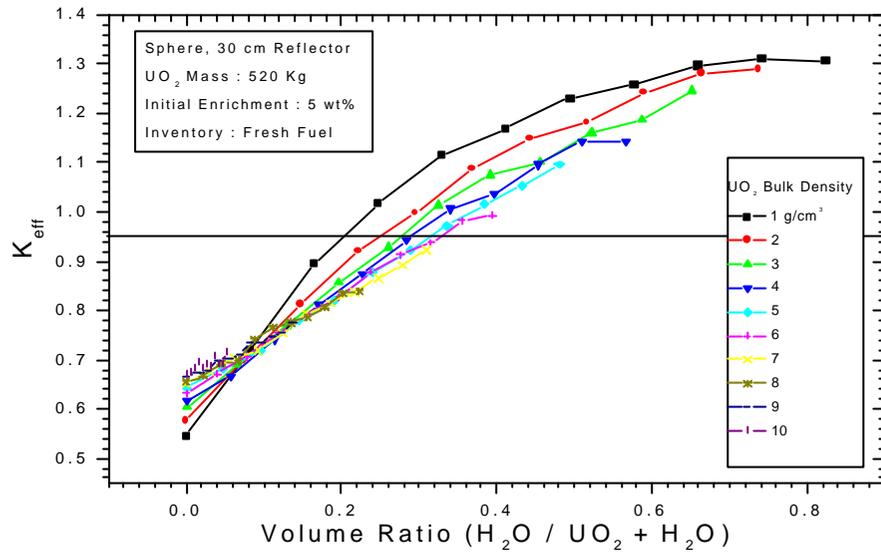


Fig. 10.  $K_{eff}$  as a Function of Volume Ratio at 5 wt% Enrichment.

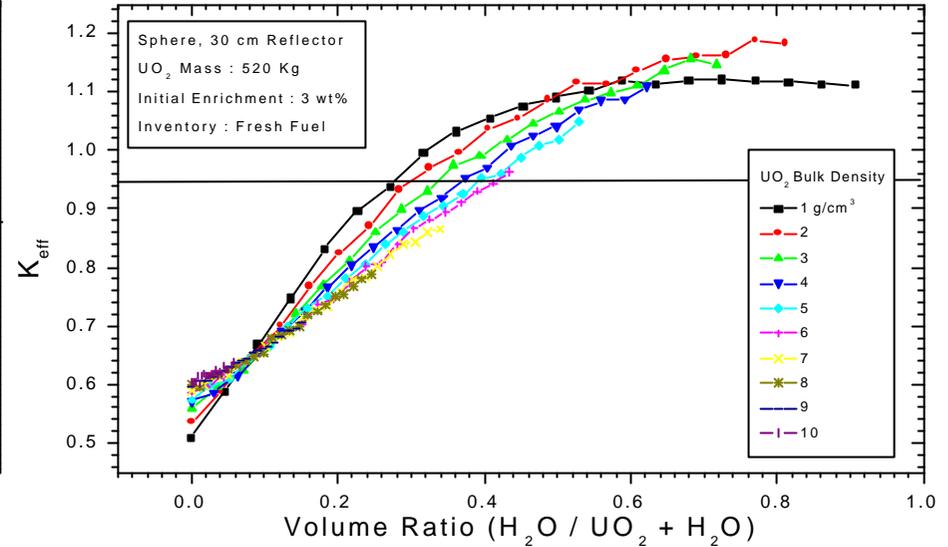


Fig. 11.  $K_{eff}$  as a Function of Volume Ratio at 3 wt% Enrichment.

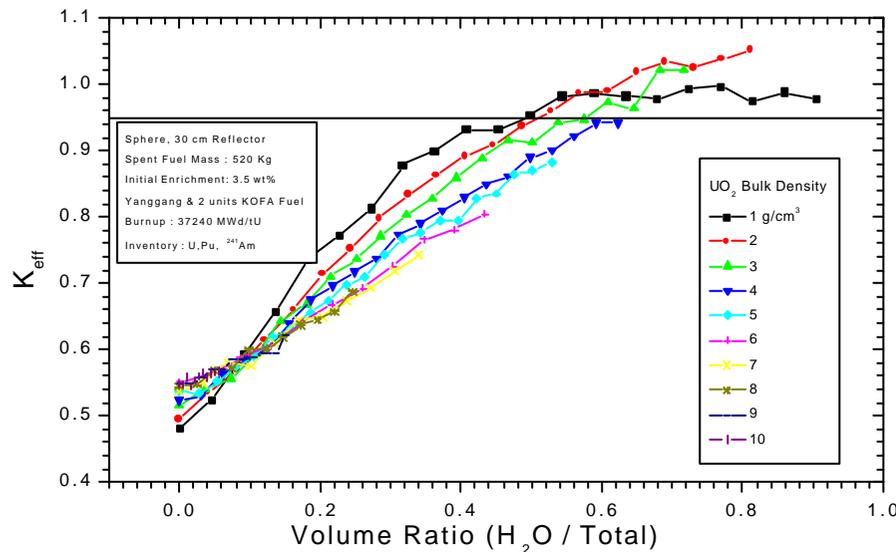


Fig. 12.  $K_{eff}$  as a Function of Volume Ratio for Using Pu, U, <sup>241</sup>Am.

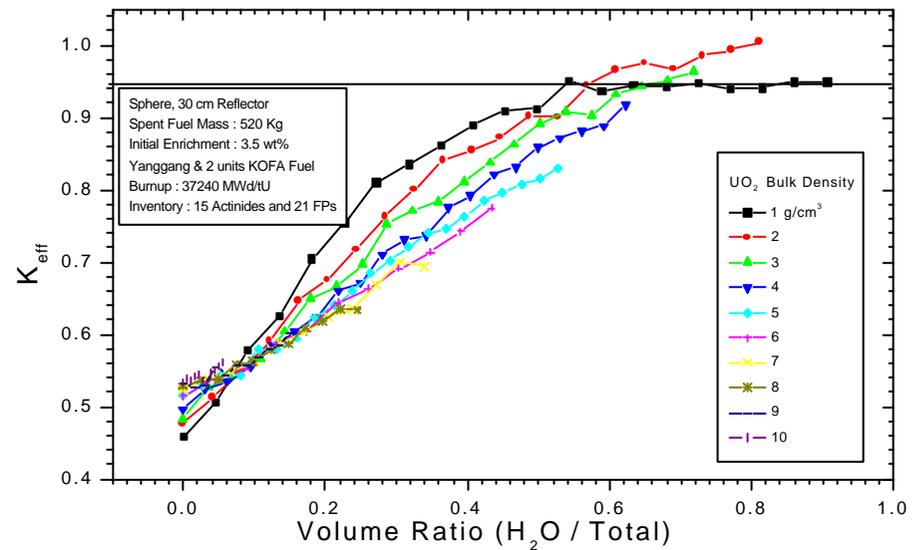


Fig. 13.  $K_{eff}$  as a Function of Volume Ratio for Using Actinide and Fission Products.

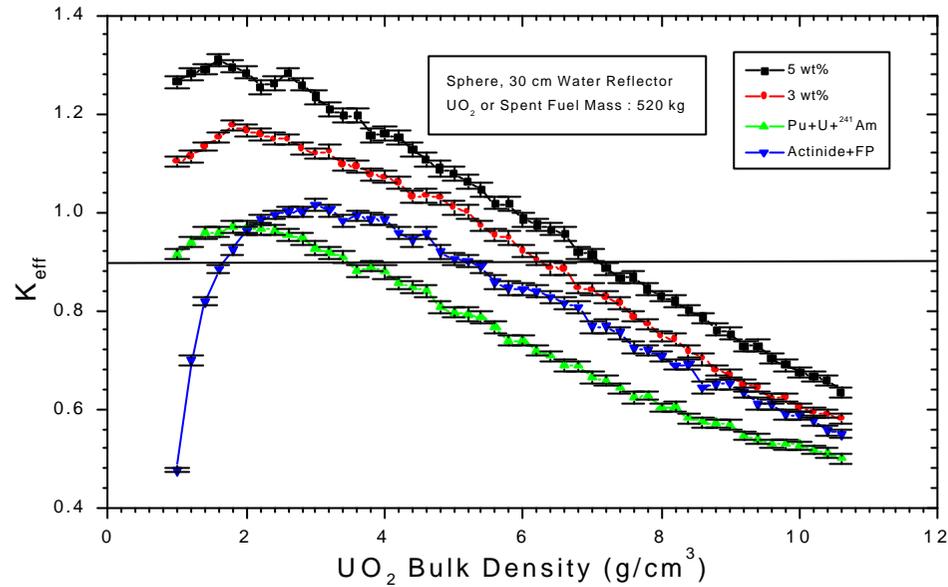


Fig. 14. Maximum  $K_{eff}$  as a Function of  $UO_2$  Bulk Density.

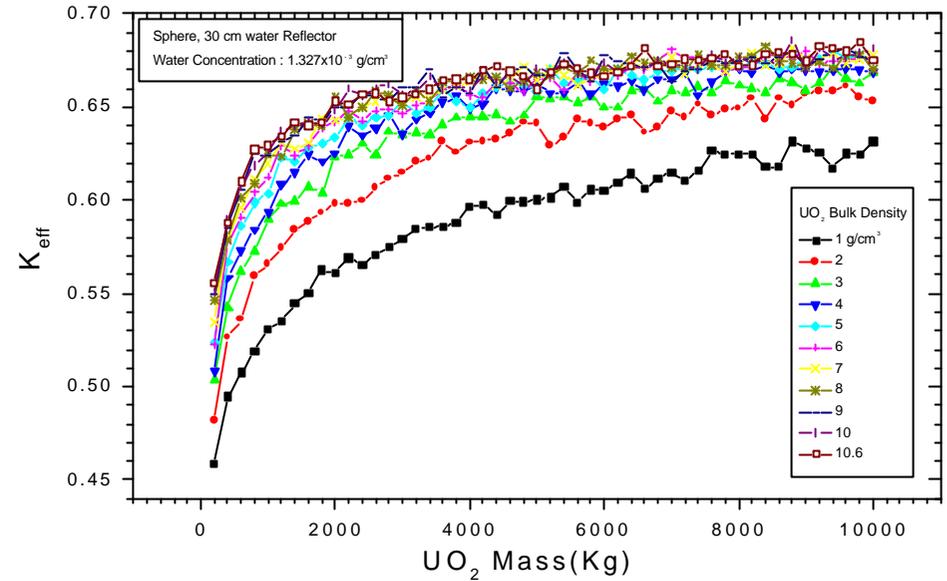


Fig. 15.  $K_{eff}$  as a Function of  $UO_2$  Mass at  $1.327 \times 10^{-3} \text{ g/cm}^3$  Void Water Concentration of  $UO_2$  Material.

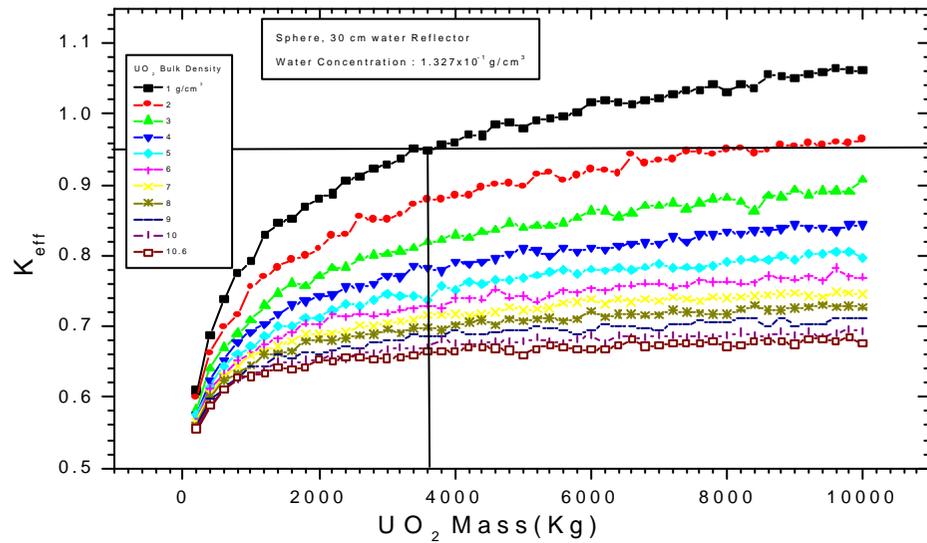


Fig. 16.  $K_{eff}$  as a Function of  $UO_2$  Mass at  $1.327 \times 10^{-1} \text{ g/cm}^3$  Void Water Concentration of  $UO_2$  Material.

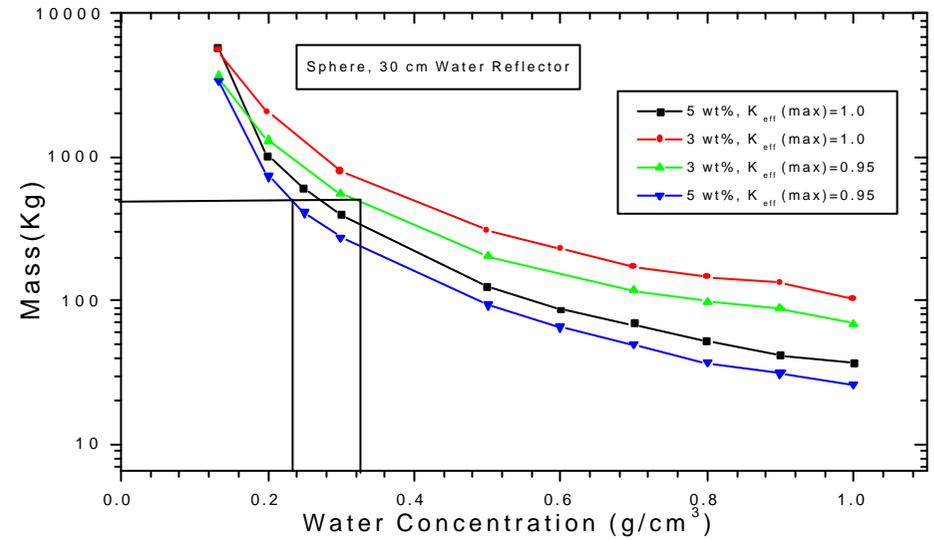


Fig. 17. Critical and Subcritical Mass as a Function of Water Concentration in the Void of  $UO_2$  Material.