

~~Induction~~ FFAG for  
Accelerator Driven Reactor  
and Deep Underground  
Facility

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# ATW

- High power accelerator ( Linac,
- Beam splitting by Laser or foil
- 40 MW b to 500 MW t  $k=0.95$
- Reliability
- Power peaking
- Expensive 40 % increase than one through
- Not so economical

# Cyclotron

- **Small device not expensive for shielding**
- **Not expensive than linac ( Economic)**
- **but limited beam current**
- **CW operation**
- **Proposed at Euratom with Mandrillon**
- **Prof. Rubbia promoted**
- **Not shock wave in sub-critical reactor**
- **Difficult extract high momentum beam**

# High conversion LWR

- NERI program
- No R and D like Pb cooled reactor.
- Thorium fuel; high gamma non proliferation
- Tight lattice hard neutron spectrum
- Heat removal ( accident case )
- Passive heat removal (Natural Circulation)
- High pressure due to earth gravity

# Accelerator

- LINAC
- Cyclotron
- Fixed Field Alternating Gradient  
Synchrotron (FFAG Ohkawa, Mori)
- Circular Induction Accelerator ( Takayama)
- Circular Induction (CI) FFAG,( CIFFAG)

# **Accelerator Driven Reactor**

- **Slightly sub-critical reactor  $k=0.99$**
- **Author proposed to run the reactor with subcritical condition to get safe operation**
- **Cyclotron instead of linear accelerator**
- **limit of current**
- **10 mA ( 1GeV :10 MW ) possible by cyclotron for 1GWe Power plant**
- **Further increase by FFAG**

# FFAG

- **Fixed field**
- **not cw beam but high repetition**
- **widening beam to reduces the space charge**
- **Acceleration by RF; iso chronous**
- **Compact accelerator**
- **Not only medium energy (1-3 GeV for ADR)**
- **Hadron physics ( Y.Mori. S.Machida and D. Trojevic)**

## Slightly or deep sub-criticality

- We have accumulated critical reactor and one with slightly critical is close to critical reactor, but prevent accidental inserision of small reactivity.
- Cold coolant sudden inserision or fuel bowling
- Dopper coefficients should be negative

# Long lived fission products (LLFP)

- Not considered seriously
- Neutron capture Loss
- High neutron economy
- Disposal of LLFP to outer space by propulsion from space shuttle or moon
- New initiative of space reactor
- Hybrid fusion not pure fusion

# Thermal vs Fast

- Thermal Furukawa and Boaman
- Smaller MA fast transmutation
- Dedicated one is also fast transmutation
- Fast spectrum for large burn up high neutron economy
- Molten Salt technology, Dri process
- Not high cost of the fuel manufacturing

# **A Proliferation Resistant Hexagonal Tight Lattice BWR Fuel Core Design for Increased Burn-up and Reduced Fuel Storage Requirements**

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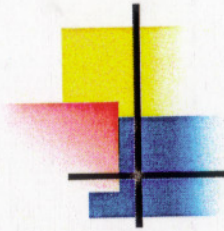
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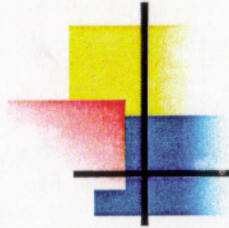
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## HCR Research Objectives

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- Minimize the potential for proliferation of weapons grade fissionable materials
- Maximize the inherent safety features of the reactor
- Maximize the achievable fuel burnup and plant capacity factor

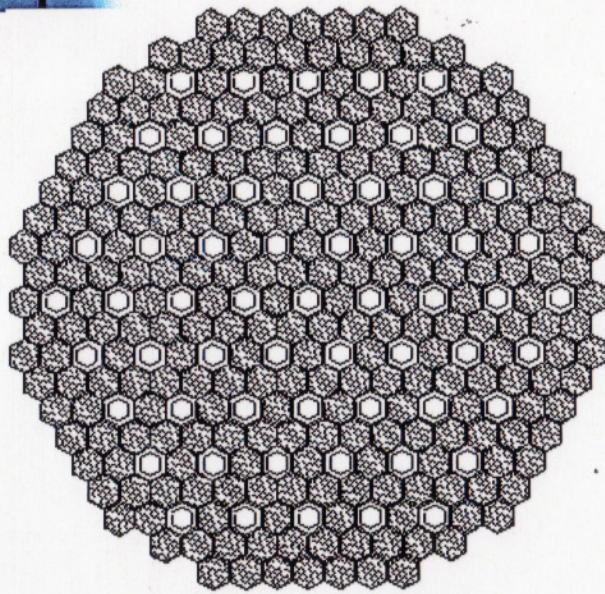


# Reference Design

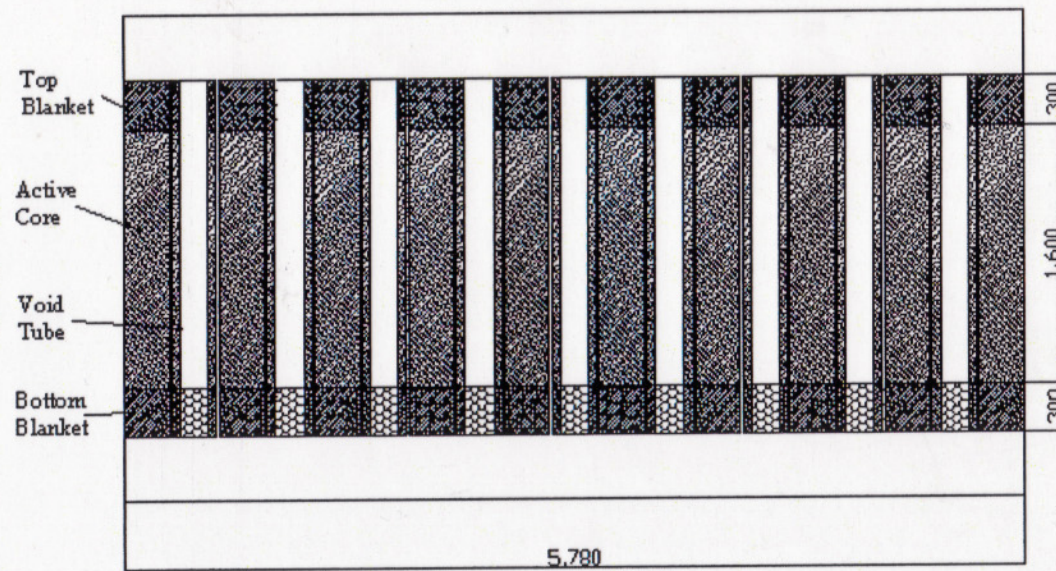
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- RMWR proposed by JEARI and JAPC
- Features:
  - Tight lattice
  - Hexagonal assembly
  - Flat core
  - Blanket
  - Void tube

# RMWR Core Geometry

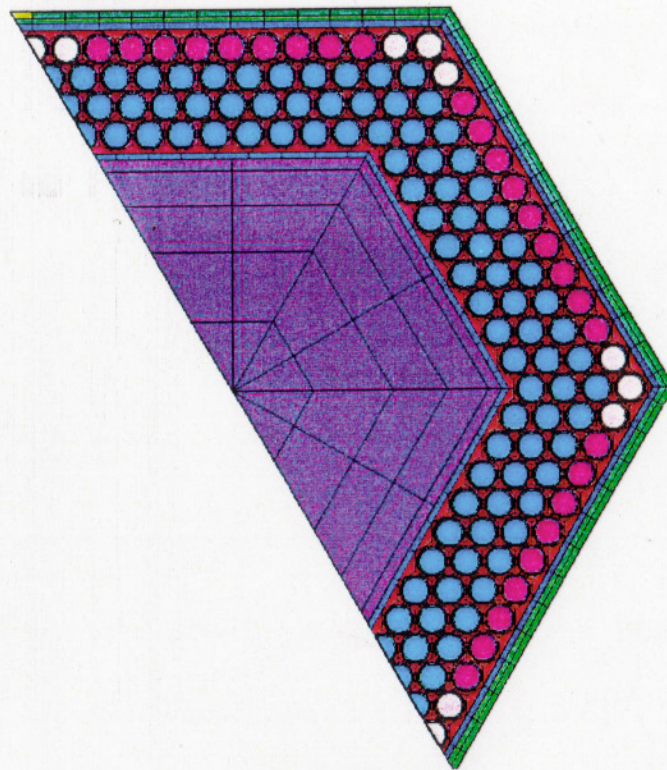


Horizontal view



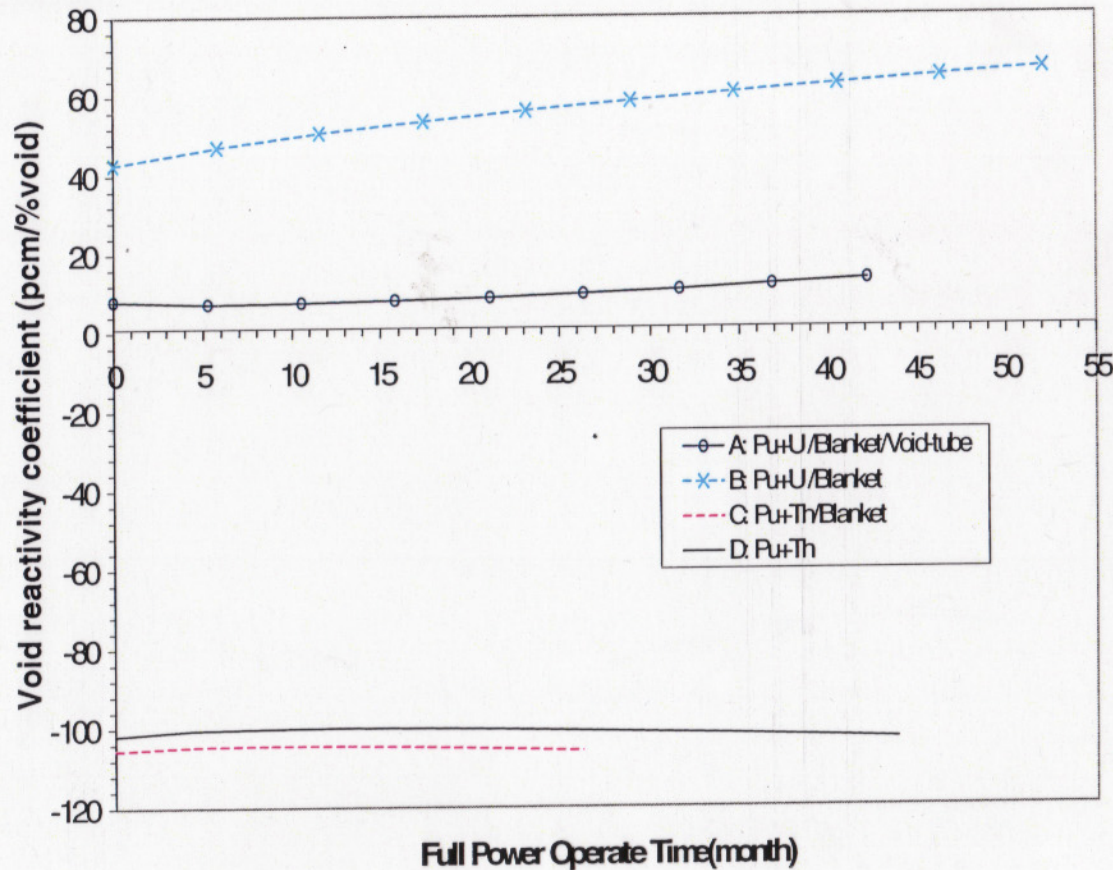
Vertical view

# Assembly with Void Tube



- fuel pins      252
- Void tube
  - Wall
    - Material:                      Zr
    - inner distance/mm: 185.67
    - Thickness/mm:              0.25
  - inside
    - Material      H<sub>2</sub>O
    - Density      0.03753g/cm<sup>3</sup>

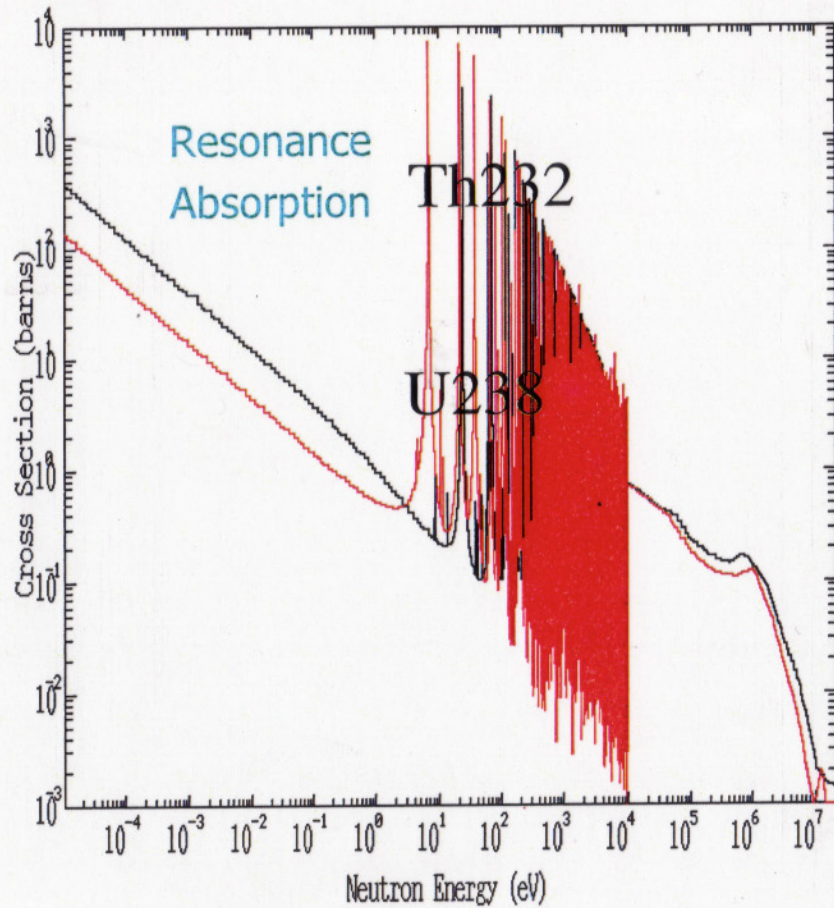
# Void Reactivity Coefficient



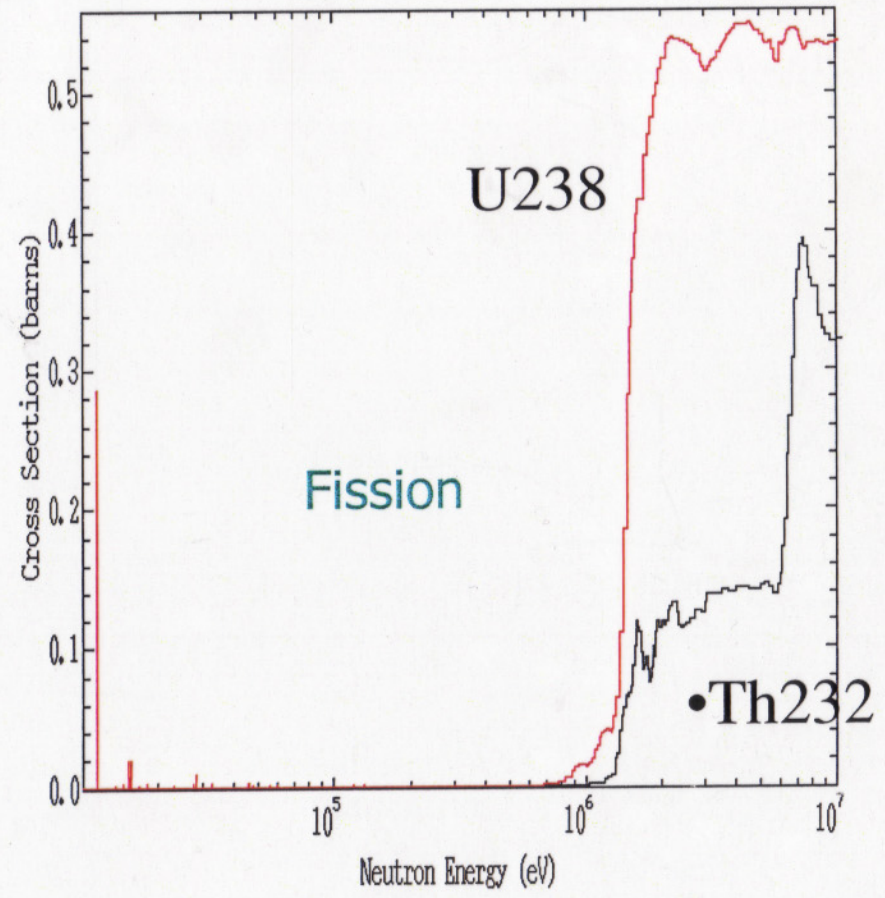
- The VRC for case A, B (with Pu-U fuel) are positive.
- With void tube, case A has less positive VRC.
- But it is not negative as RMWR is, maybe caused by Case A has much deep burnup than RMWR
- Pu-Th fuel insure The VRC are negative throughout the core life

# Comparison of Th-232 and U-238

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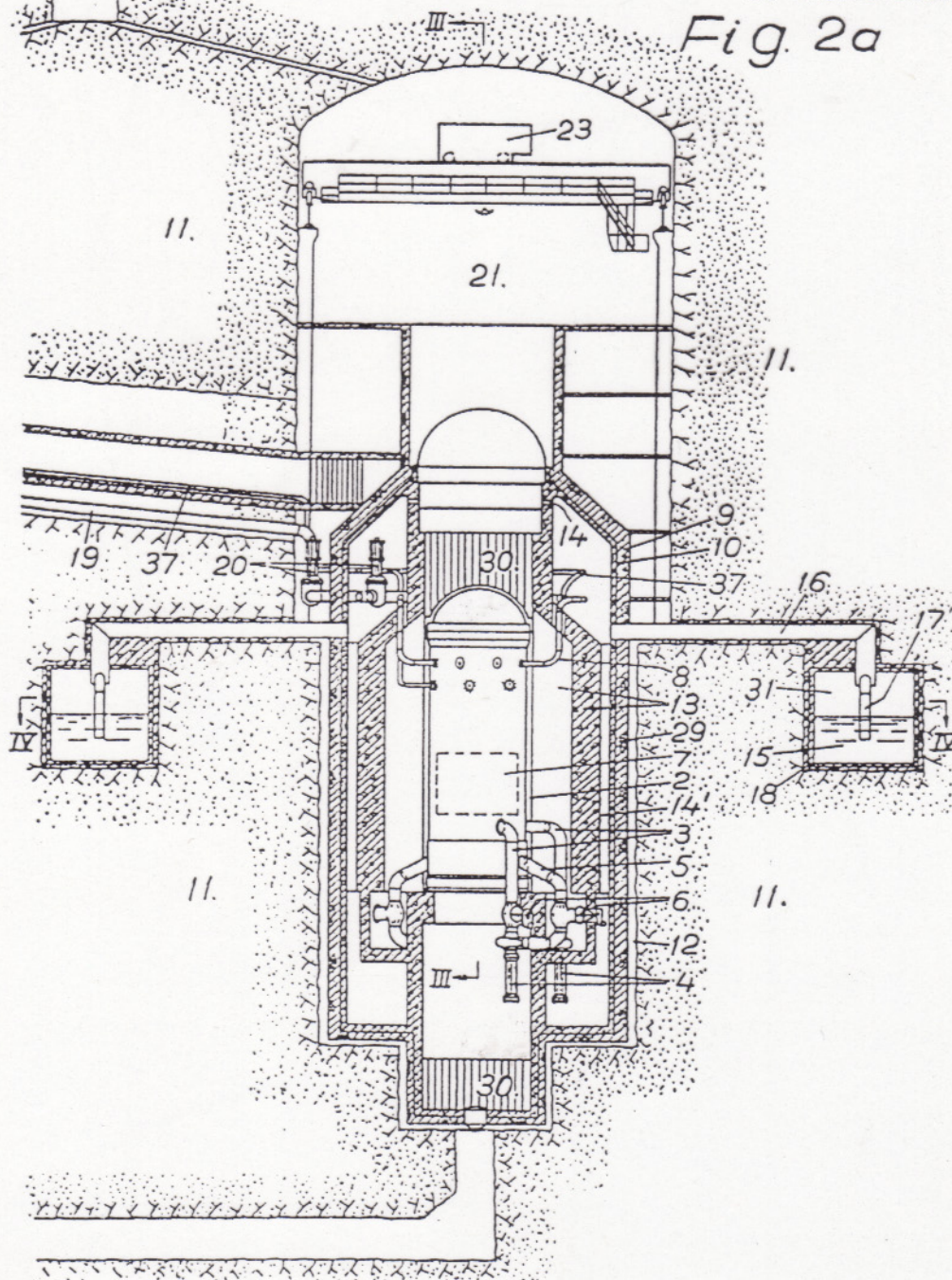
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Fig. 2a



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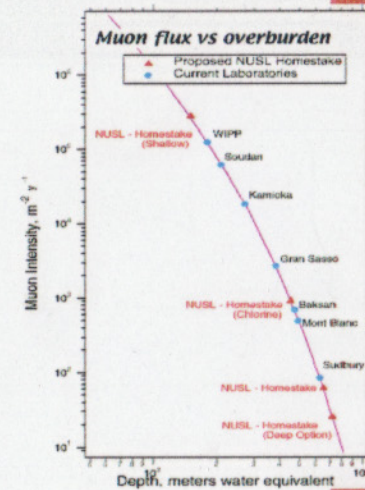
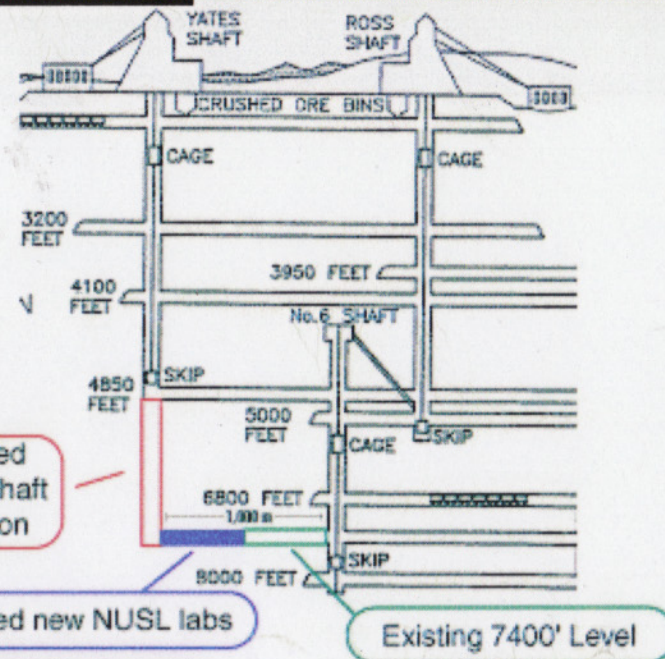
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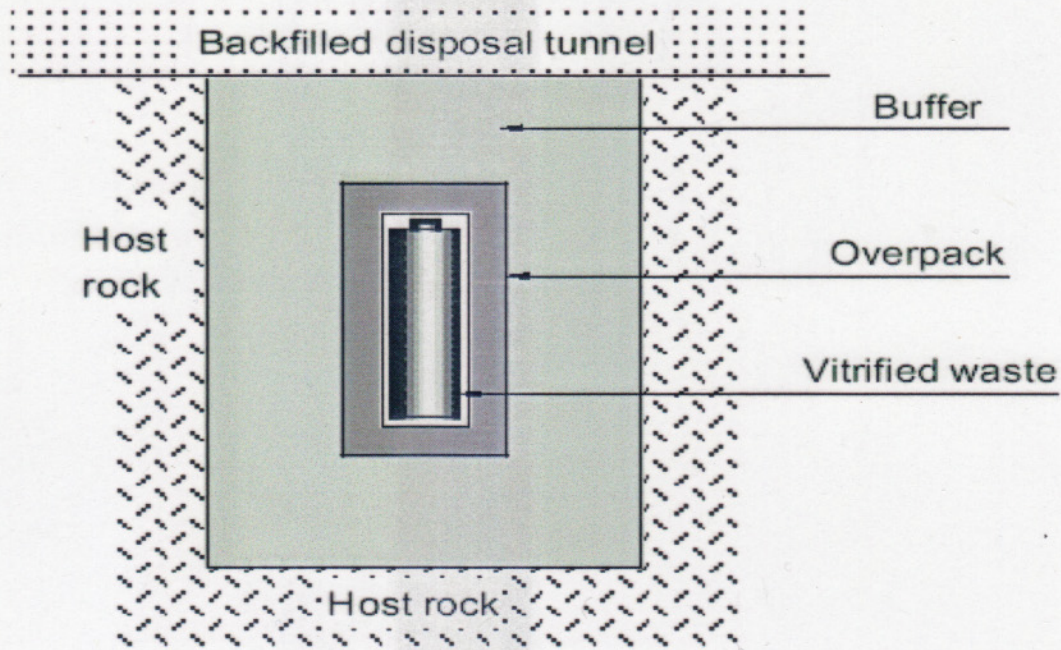
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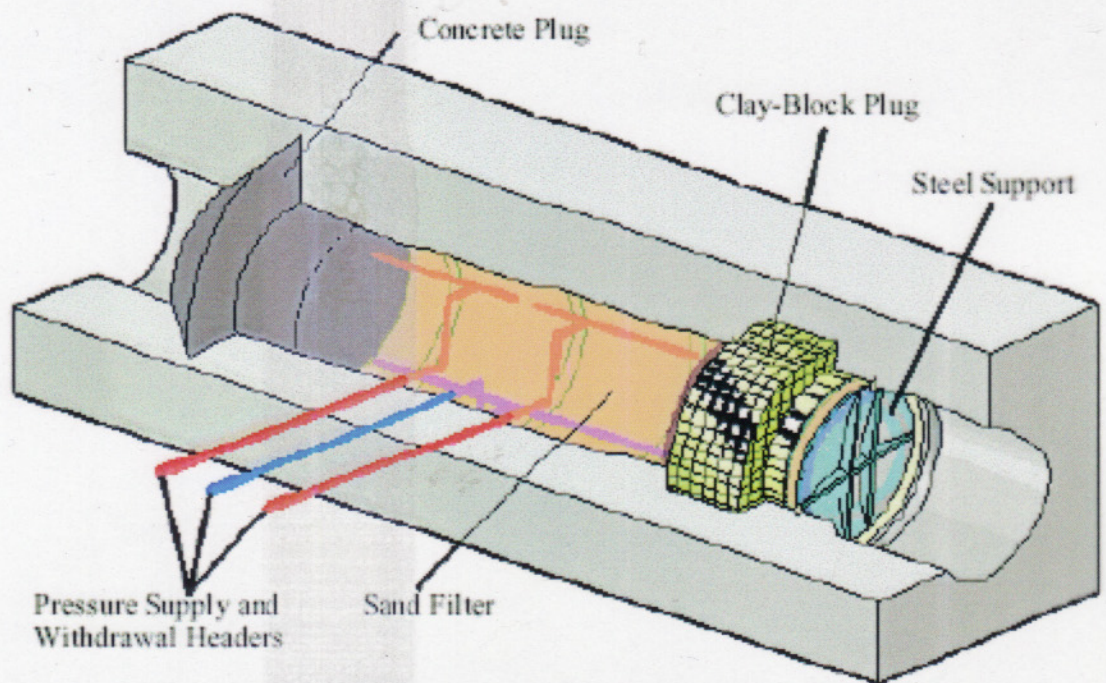
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Vertical emplacement concept



Schematic view of Tunnel Sealing Experiment (TSX)

Fig.5

# Embedding Materials

- Direct earth pressure
- Between container and reactor vessel or cooling pipe
- Easily drained for repairing of maintenance
- He gas
- Water Solid Ice
- Salt, less expensive to make space 1/5 of rock

## Embedding Materials(2)

- Fine sand ( not solidify by high pressure)
- Bentnite
- Concrete

# Small reactor in underground

- China, Japan,
- Transportation of fuel, and Spent fuel?
- Protection of public?
- Non proliferation ?
- Many inspection
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- South Dakota Gold mine Homestake
- Physics laboratory Neutrino experiments
- R. Davis Solar neutrino Oscillation mass of neutrino.
- Double beta decay low background the basis of elementary particle theory
- Biology lab for deep

# Large reactor in deep underground

- More than 1GW e power plants, Nuclear Parks
- Modular type for low capital cost
- Small numbers of access port
- 2 shafts and horizontal tunnel
- Limited access but emergency shafts 2.
- Non proliferation
- Every Nuclear facility in DUG.

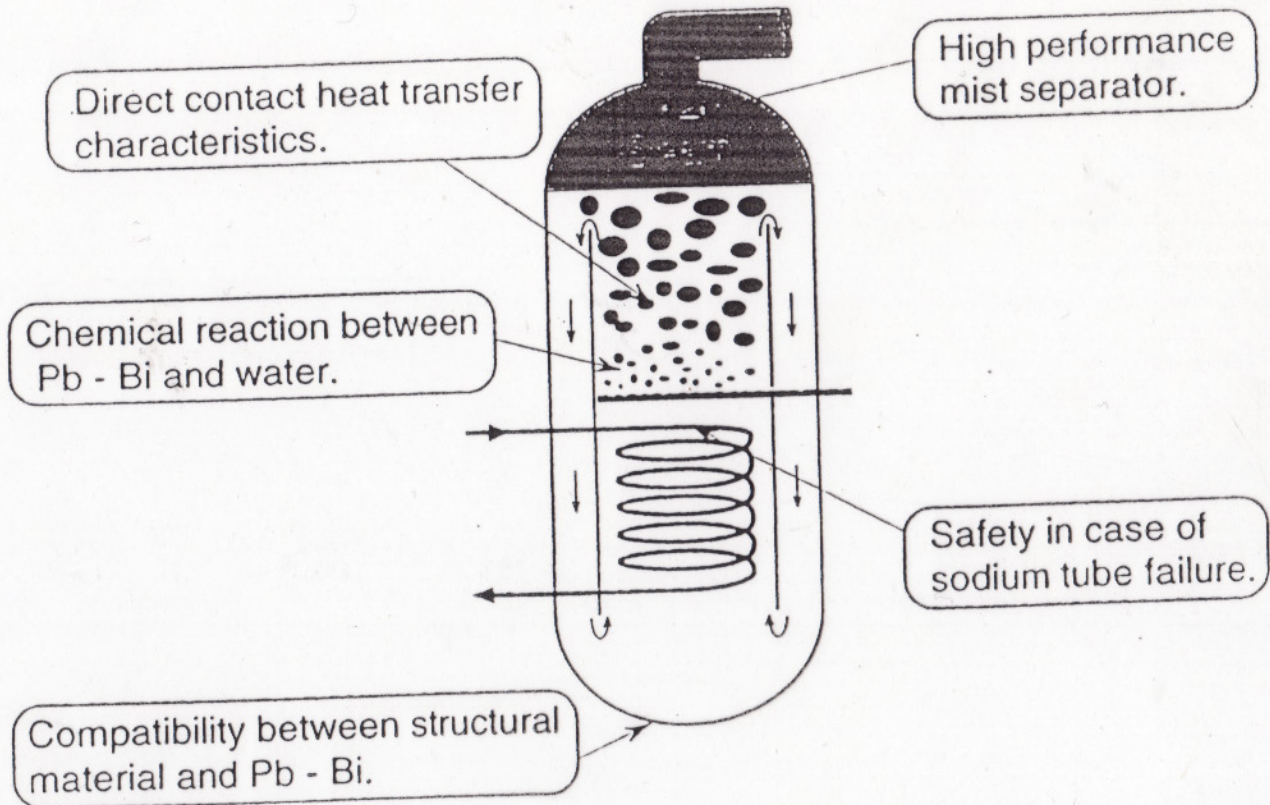
# Deep Underground Reactor

- Fission gas circulate but well shielded by earth
- Circulation can be done by compressor.
- Large storage space in underground well shielded.
- Natural circulation ?

# Deep underground ATW, ADS

- Embedding the reactor in earth
- High pressure utilize for high efficiency
- 500-1000 meters deep 13- 25 ATM
- Thin pressure vessel.
- Modular type smaller initial investments
- Cost of deduction
- No tall container building

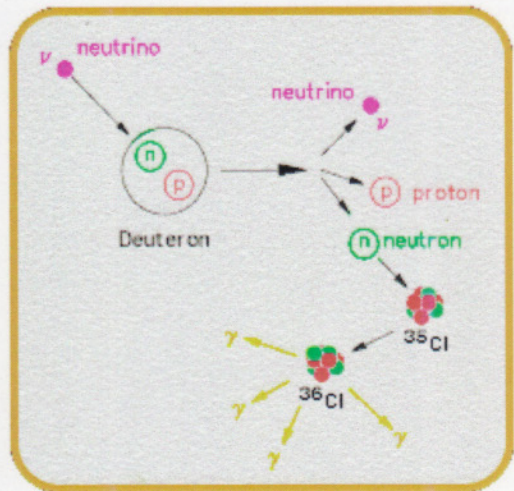
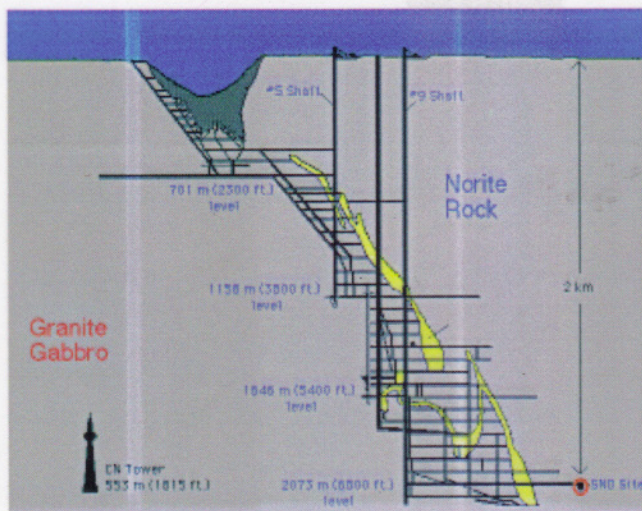
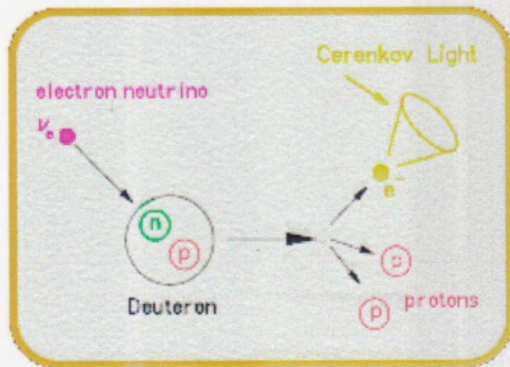
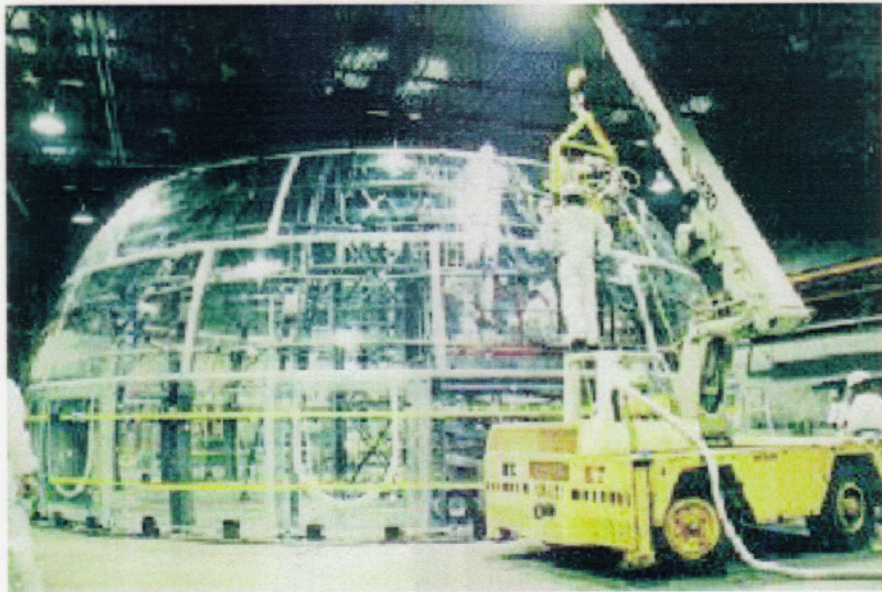
### Main R & D Items



CRIEP

# Super kamiokande

- Neutrino oscillation
- Detector for KEK neutrino
- Japanese Tunnel
- Kashima Co. Dream 1Km dia and height under Tokyo Article Space not filled by earth in DUGR concept



# **Circular Induction Accelerator (CIA)**

- **K. Takayama, Kishiro (KEK)**
- **make small real estate for circular**
- **Longitudinal spread of beam**
- **using the potential barrier by induction**
- **Not isochronous due to induction acceleration**
- **but consumption of magnetization energy**

# **Circular Induction FFAG (CIFFA)**

- **Combine CIA + FFAG**
- **Widen beam transverse and longitudinal**
- **Transverse by FFAG: Longitudinal by Induction**
- **Focusing the beam at acceleration region to get high acceleration**
- **With small induction accelerator**

# RF vs Induction

- **Not isochronous for Ind.**
- **RF is well developed than Induction?**
- **Cavity with Ferrite**
- **increase the field**
- **magnetization is not so fast than RF**
- **Recoverability of energy**
- **Technology development of magnet is improved.**

# **FFAG + Induction Linac**

- **Ruggiero suggest to FFAG + Induction Linac**
- **H- strip for beam injection**
- **Induction linac for injection of high current beam**
- **Fixed Field Gradient Synchrotron FFAG by Mori and Machida**

# Beam Control

- Simple in LINAC high power
- Phase matching in RF Acceleration
- Space charge problem High intensity
- Dephasing
- Induction acceleration  $dB/DT$
- No phase matching
- Hysteresis loss.