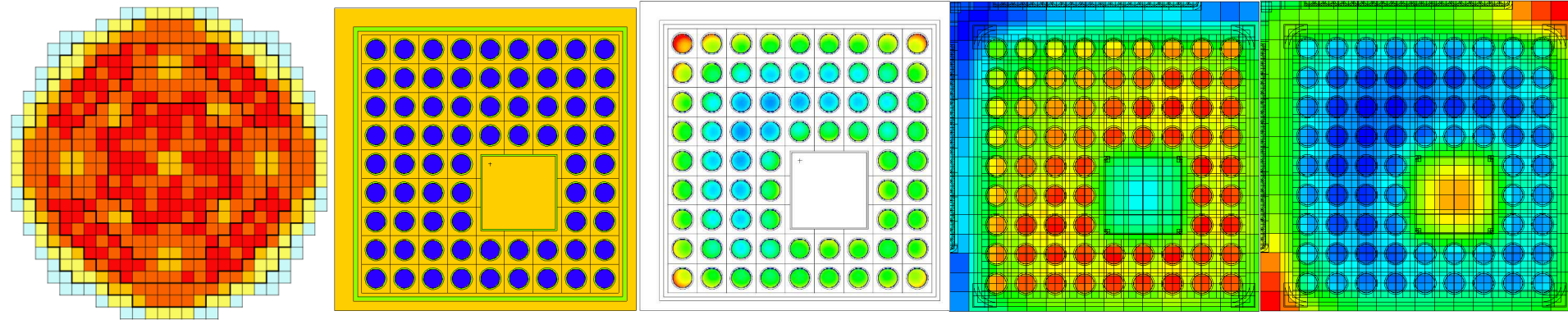


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Key accomplishments to date

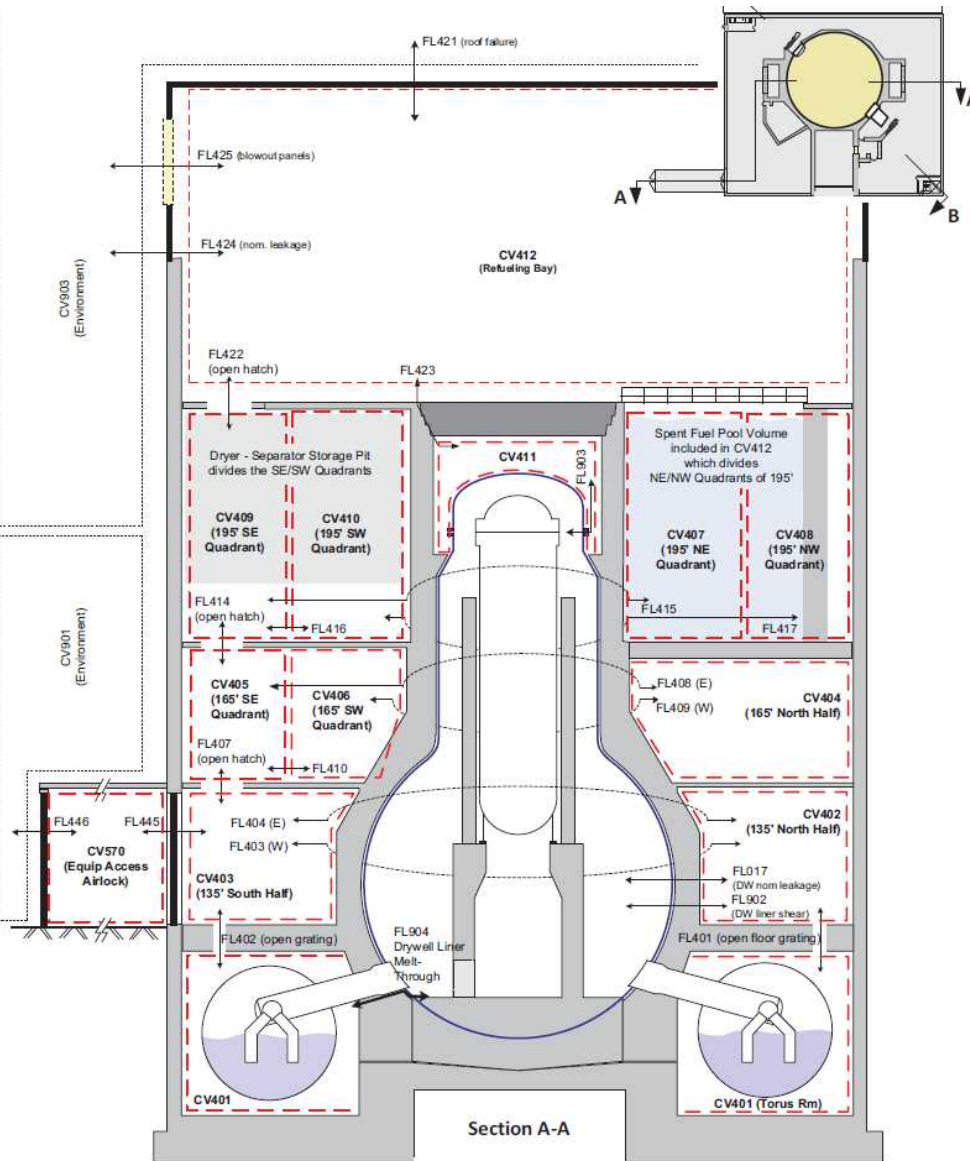
- Unit-specific MELCOR models created for each unit
 - Mechanistic evaluation of severe accident source terms
- Consistent, comprehensive, and reasonably-representative radionuclide inventory information generated (using SCALE6) for Fukushima Daiichi units 1-3
 - Depletion calculations implement (ENDF/B-VII-based) cross section libraries generated by TRITON analyses of Fukushima fuel assemblies
 - Depletion calculations use TEPCO plant data: 3D burnup and power distributions for each unit, enrichments, geometry, etc.
 - Creation of MELCOR class inventories and decay heats, total core decay heats, and isotopic inventories for each unit
- MACCS analyses using source term information via MELCOR/SCALE calculations
- Framework and initial tool development for consistent and scrutable dose calculations for severe accident source terms
 - MCNP dose calculations in the containment and around the plant

Presentation Outline

- Comparison of Peach Bottom reactor building nodalization to TEPCO measured dose rates
 - Floor by floor basis
 - Torus room
 - Refueling bay
- Severe accident source term calculation
 - Neutronic methods
 - Fukushima ^{134}Cs to ^{137}Cs ratio

Peach Bottom Reactor Building Nodalization vs. TEPCO Measured Dose Rates

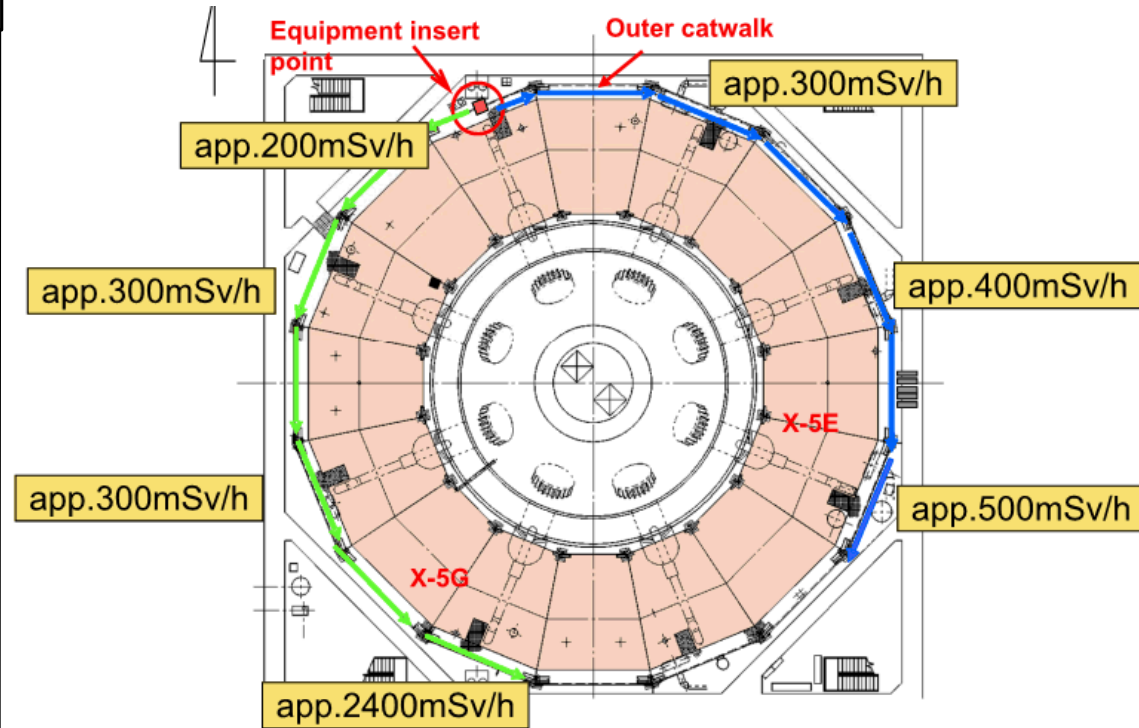
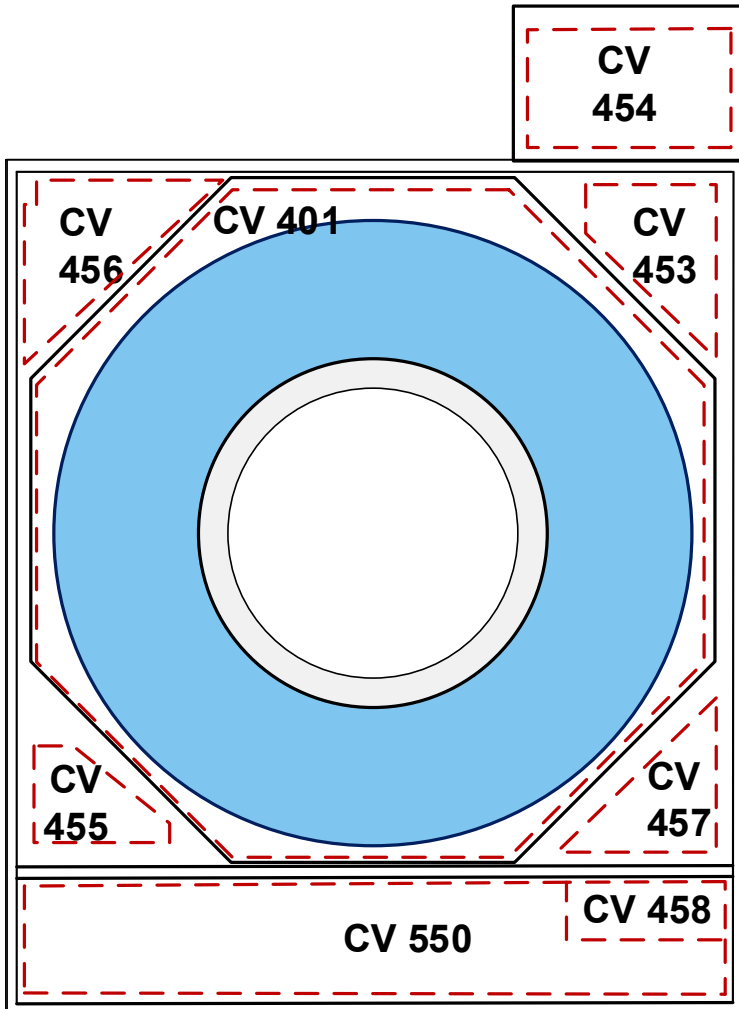
Peach Bottom Reactor Building Nodalization



- Five Floors
 - Torus room
 - Refueling bay
- Two to five control volumes (CV) per floor
- Additional CVs
 - Stairwells
 - Equipment access airlock
 - Spent fuel pool
 - Drywell head

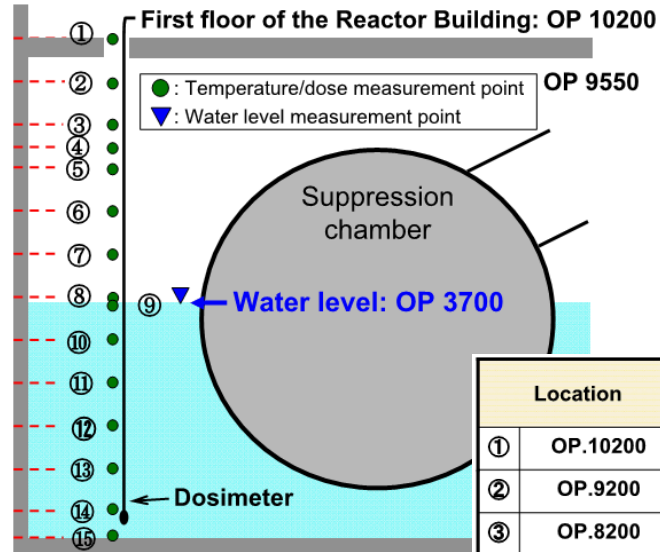
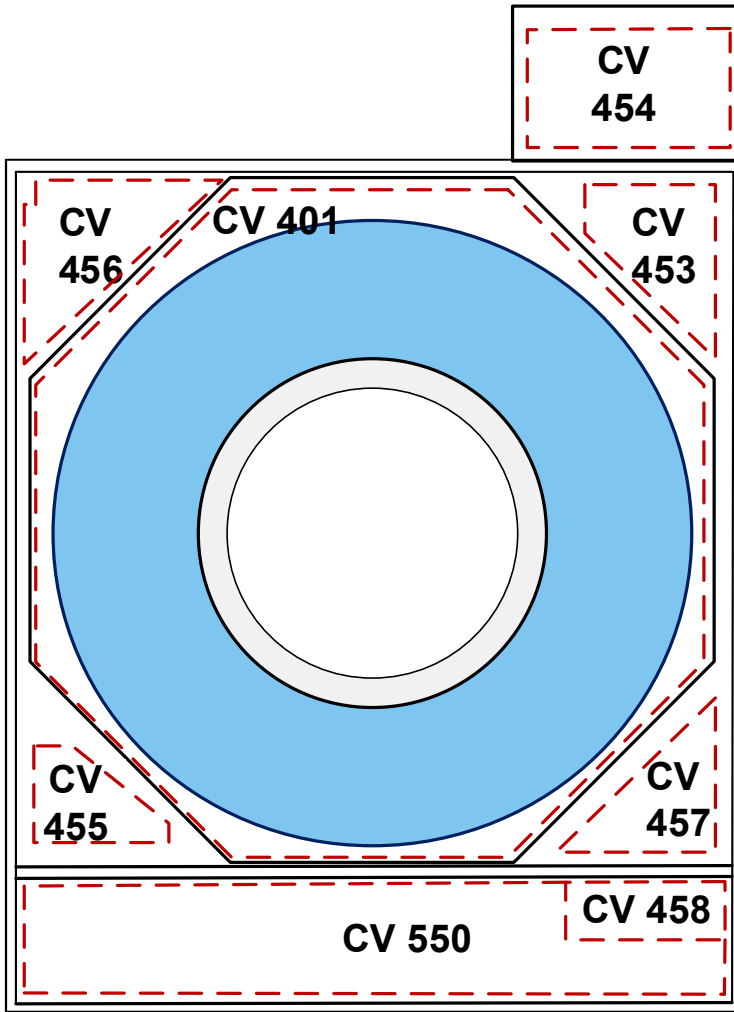
Fukushima Daichi Unit 1

Torus Room – Unit 1



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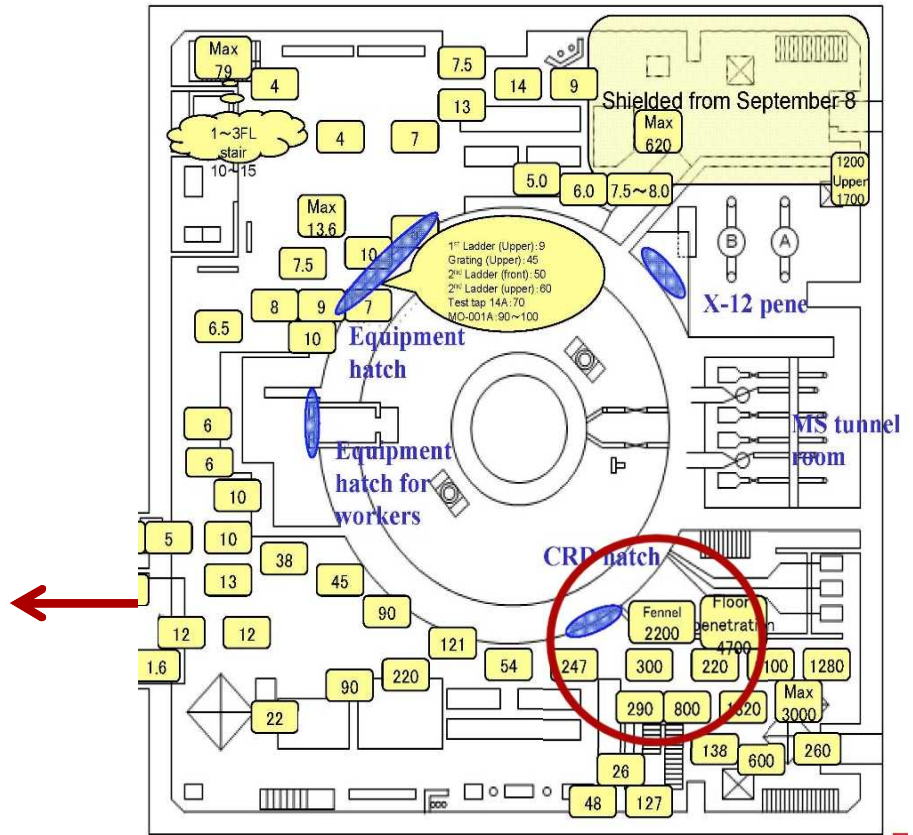
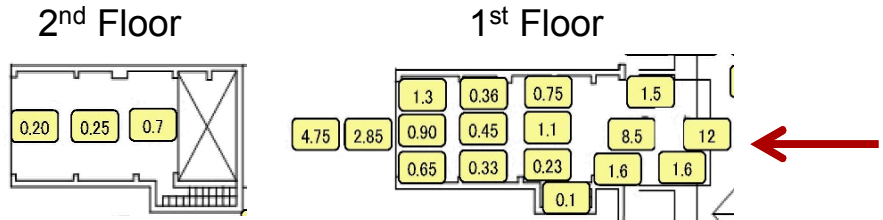
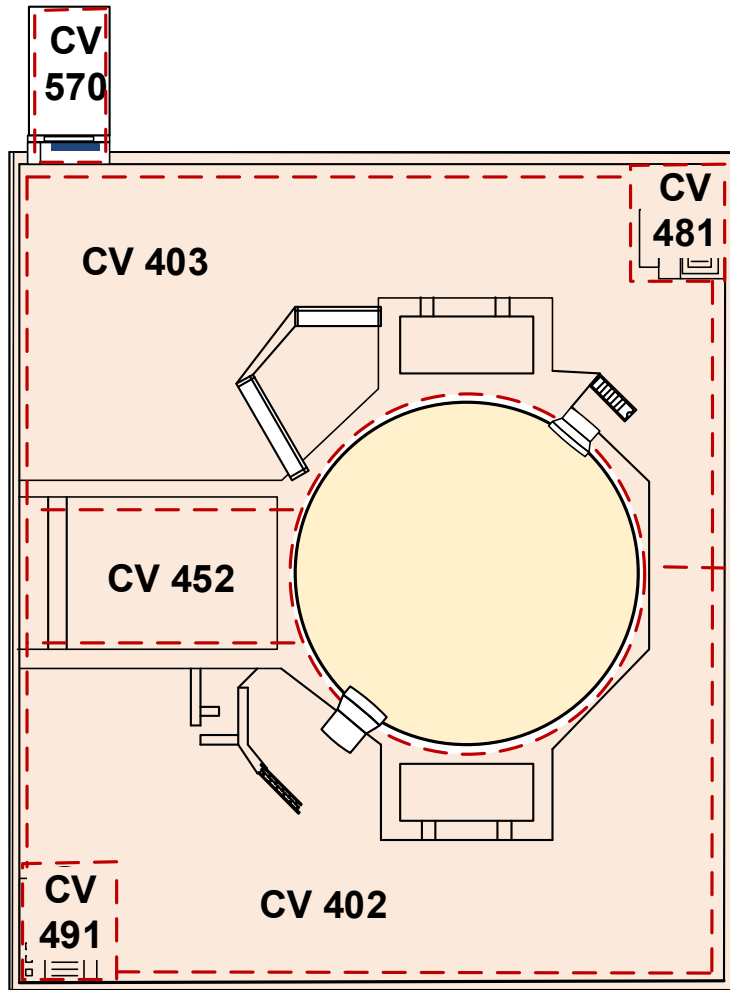
Torus Room – Unit 1



	Location	Temp. [°C]	Dose [mSv/h]
①	OP.10200	4.8	1.5
②	OP.9200	16.3	180
③	OP.8200	17.4	220
④	OP.7700	17.3	230
⑤	OP.7200	16.9	250
⑥	OP.6200	17.1	420
⑦	OP.5200	17.4	780
⑧	OP.4200	17.7	920
⑨	Water level: Approx. OP.3700	19.8	800
⑩	OP.3200	22.7	110
⑪	OP.2200	22.9	93
⑫	OP.1200	22.9	83
⑬	OP. 200	22.9	82
⑭	OP. -800	22.8	90
⑮	OP.-1230	22.8	95

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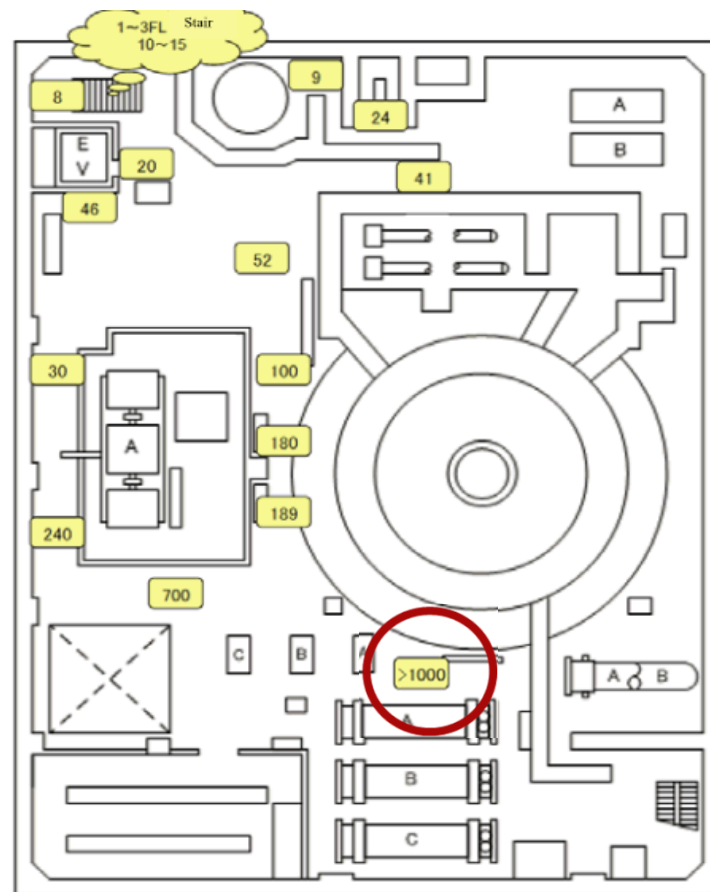
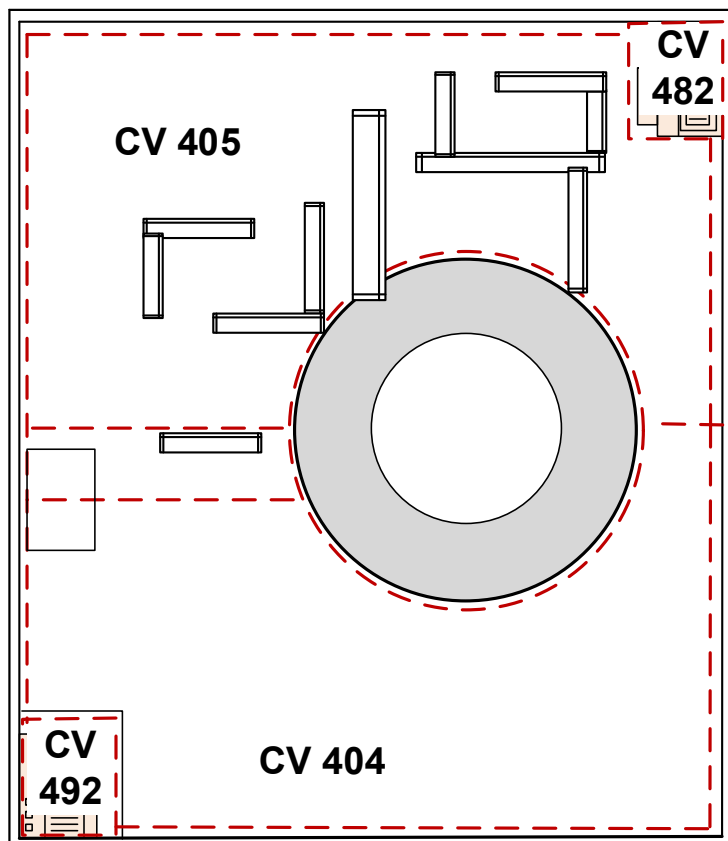
Floor 1 – Unit 1



Dose in mSv/hr

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Floor 2 – Unit 1

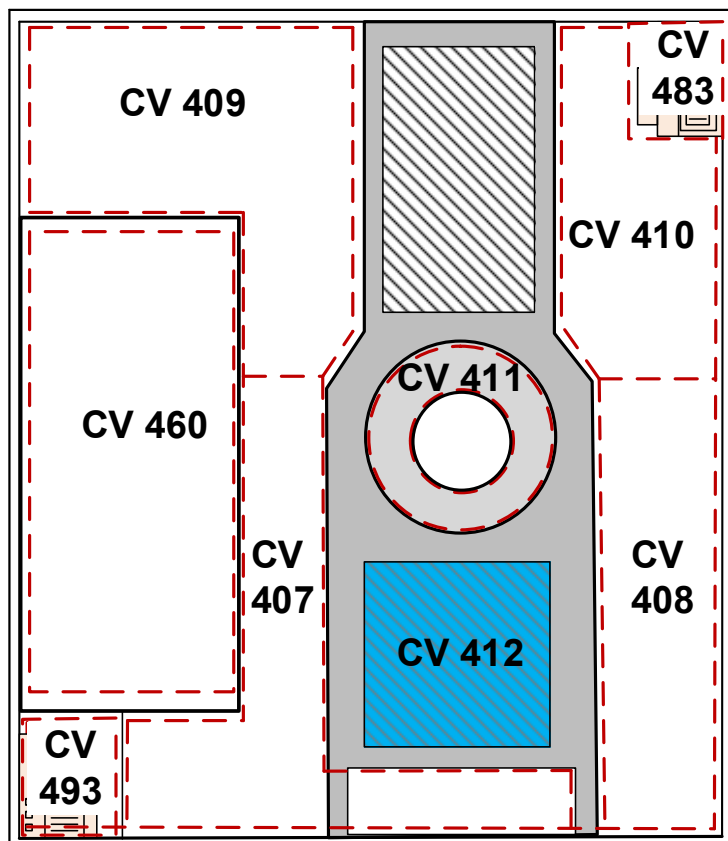


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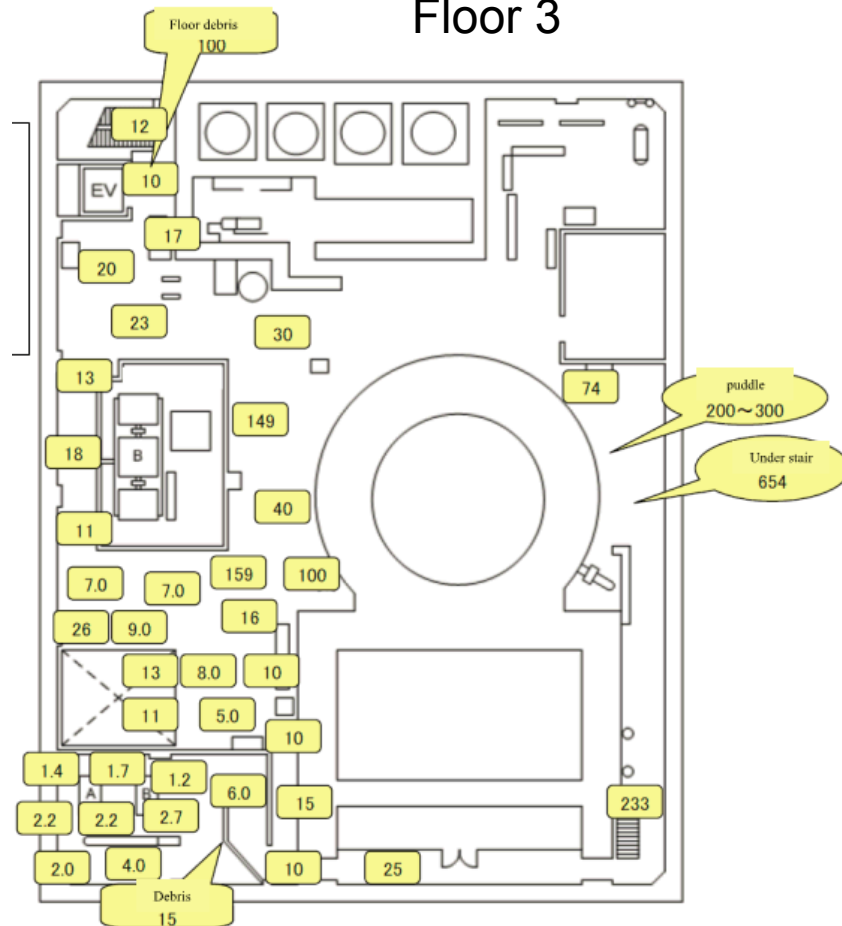
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Floors 3 and 4 – Unit 1

Floors 3 and 4 Combined



Floor 3

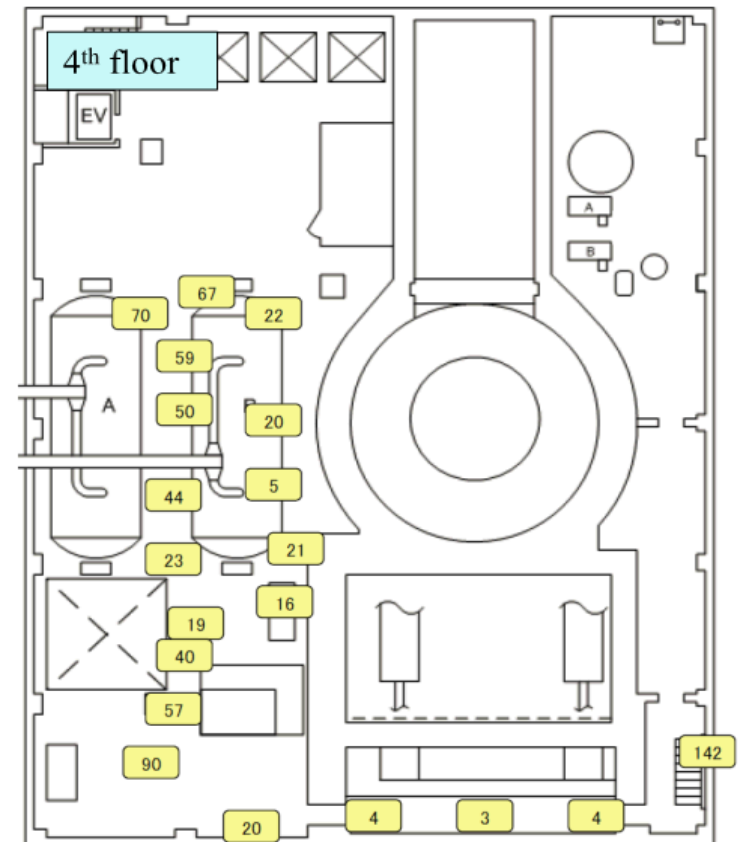
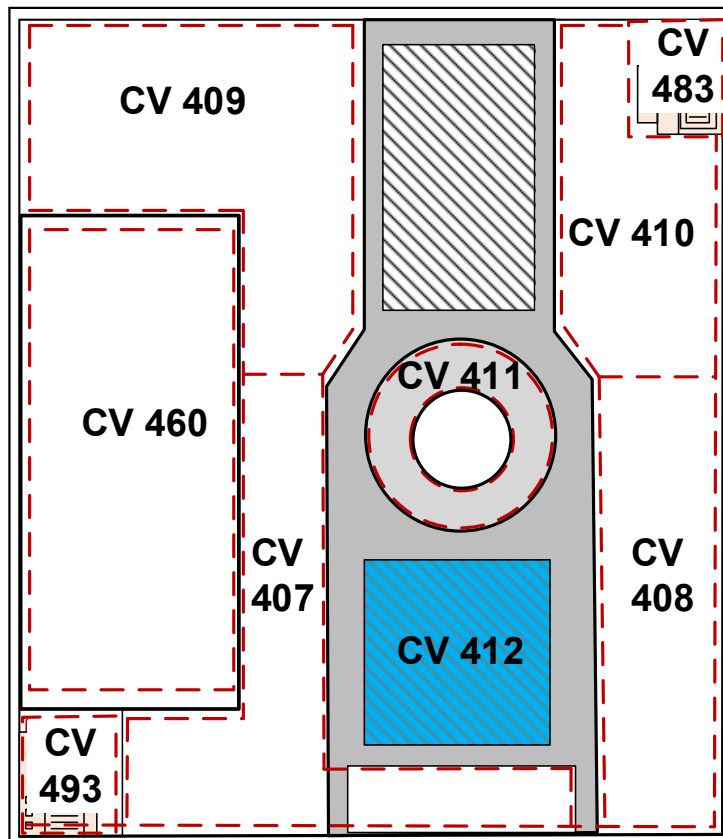


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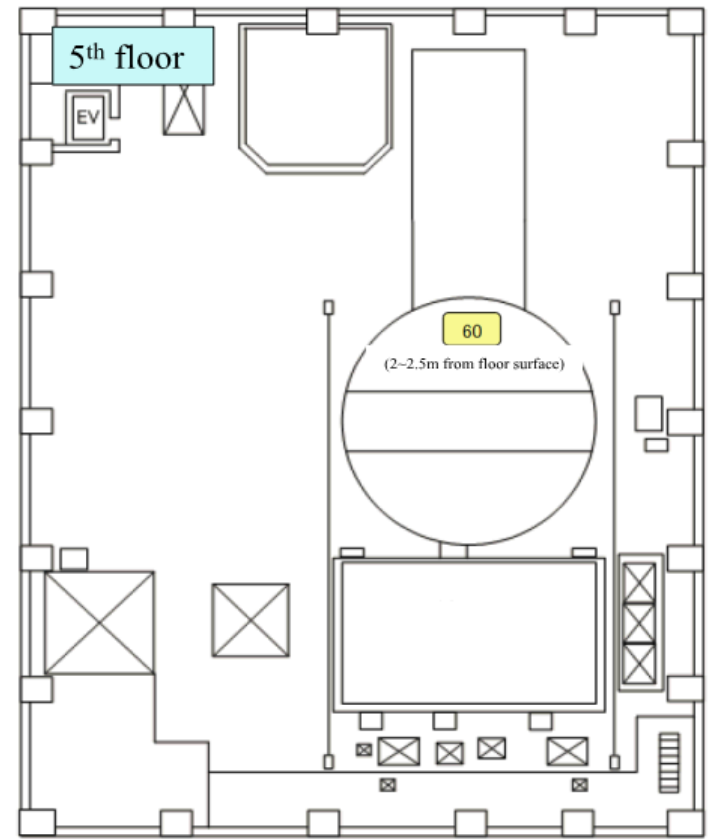
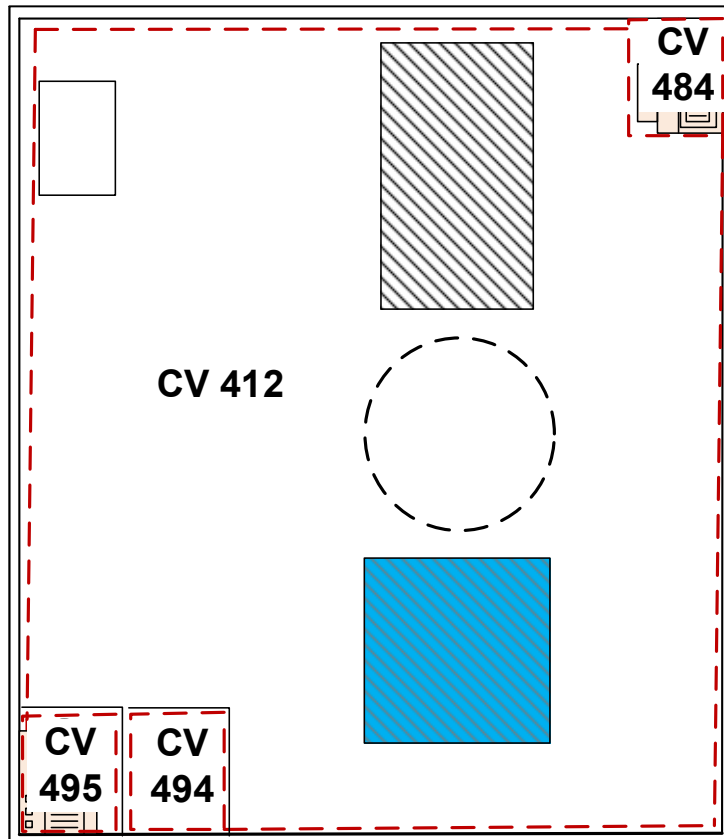
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Dose in mSv/hr

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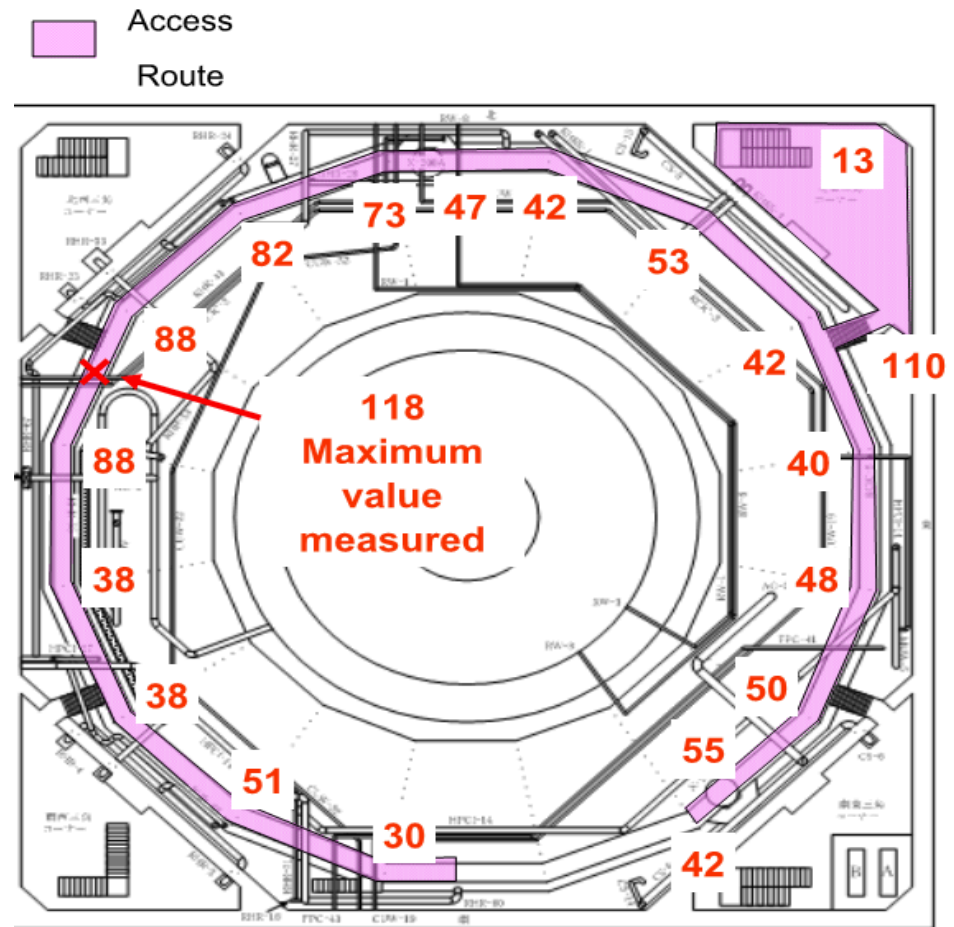
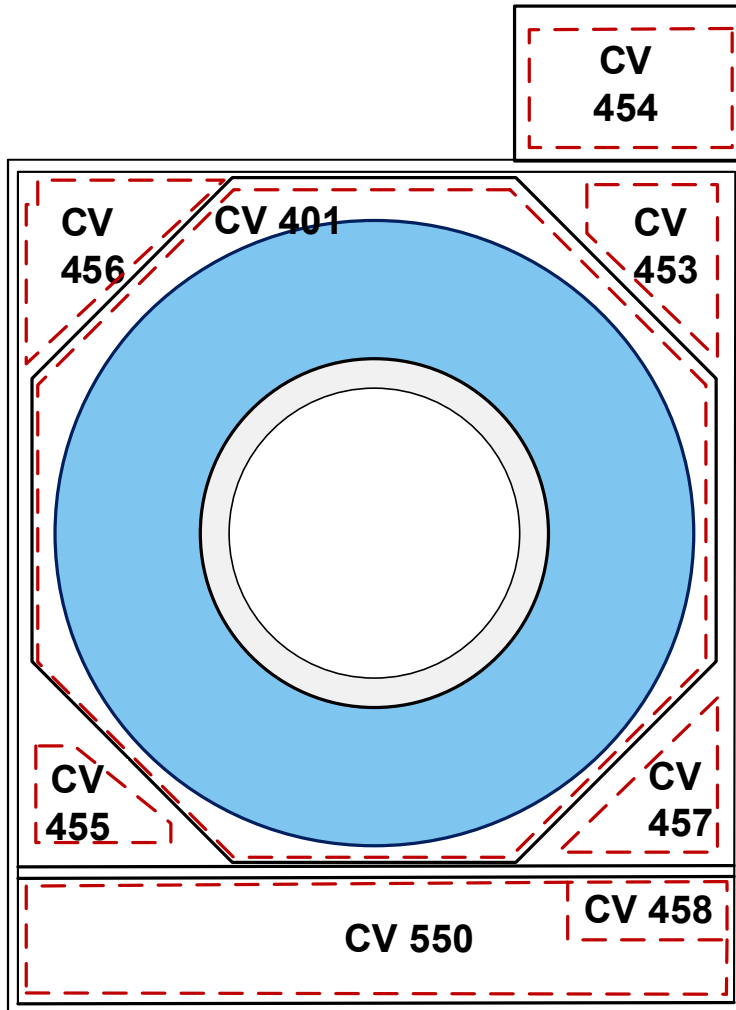


Dose in mSv/hr

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Fukushima Daichi Unit 2

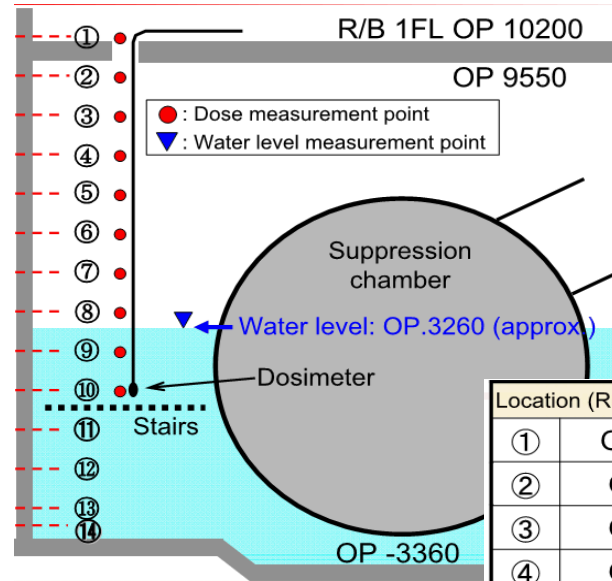
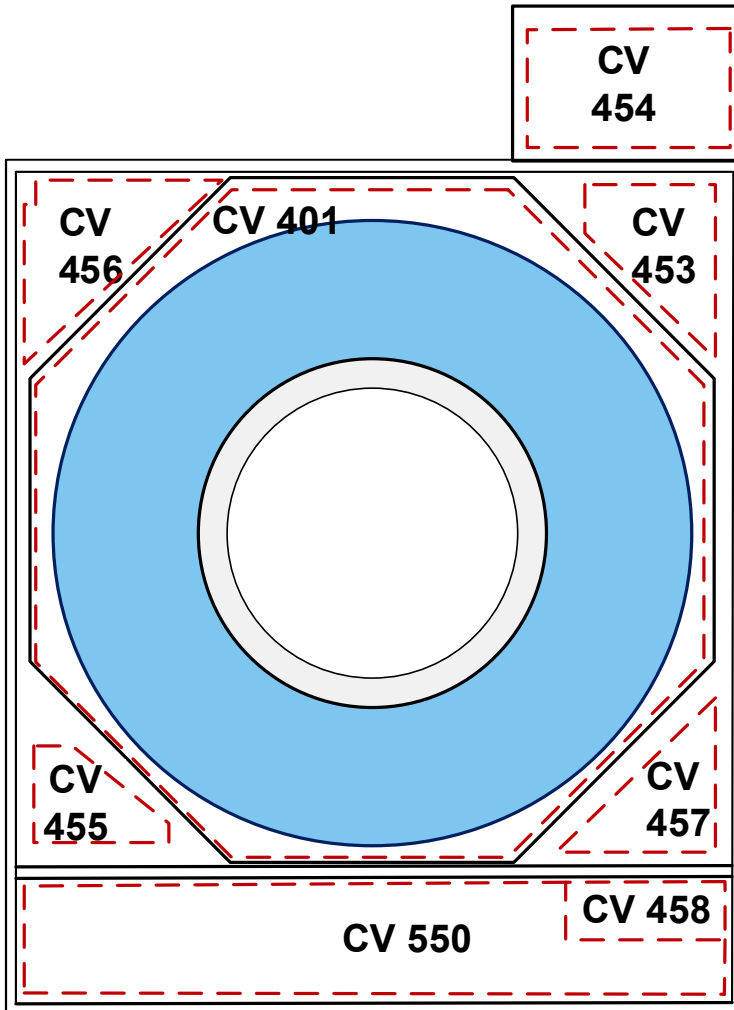
Torus Room – Unit 2



Dose in mSv/hr

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Torus Room – Unit 2

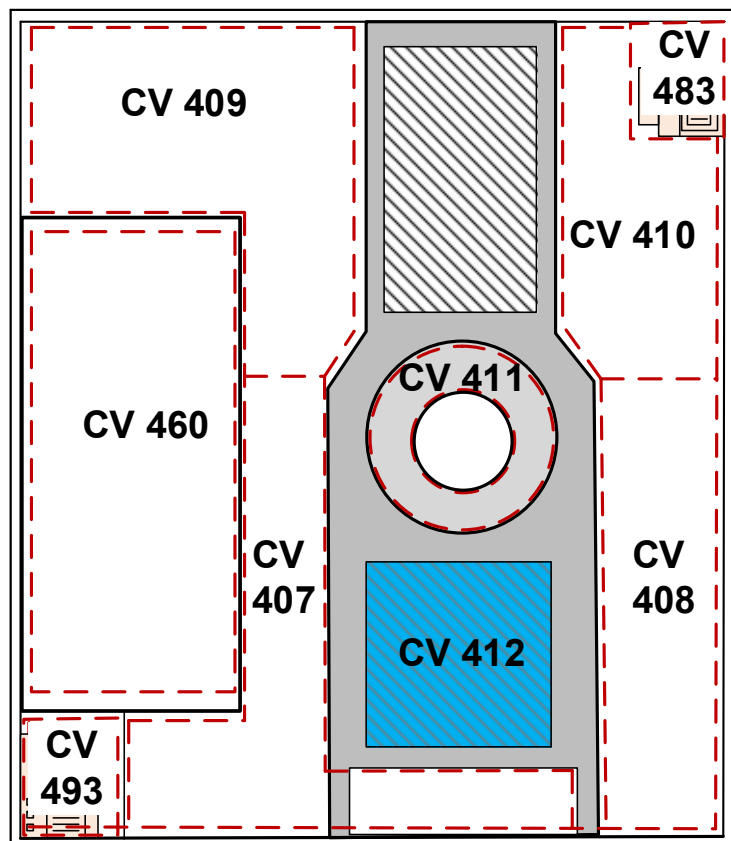


Location (Reference value)	Dose [mSv/h]
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② OP.9500	6.2
③ OP.8500	10.3
④ OP.7500	15.3
⑤ OP.6500	20.5
⑥ OP.5500	32.8
⑦ OP.4500	74.0
⑧ OP.3500	134.0 (Max.)
— OP.3260 (Water level)	—
⑨ OP.2500	18.7
⑩ OP.2000	23.7
⑪ OP.500	—
⑫ OP.-500	—
⑬ OP.-1500	—
⑭ OP.-1760	—

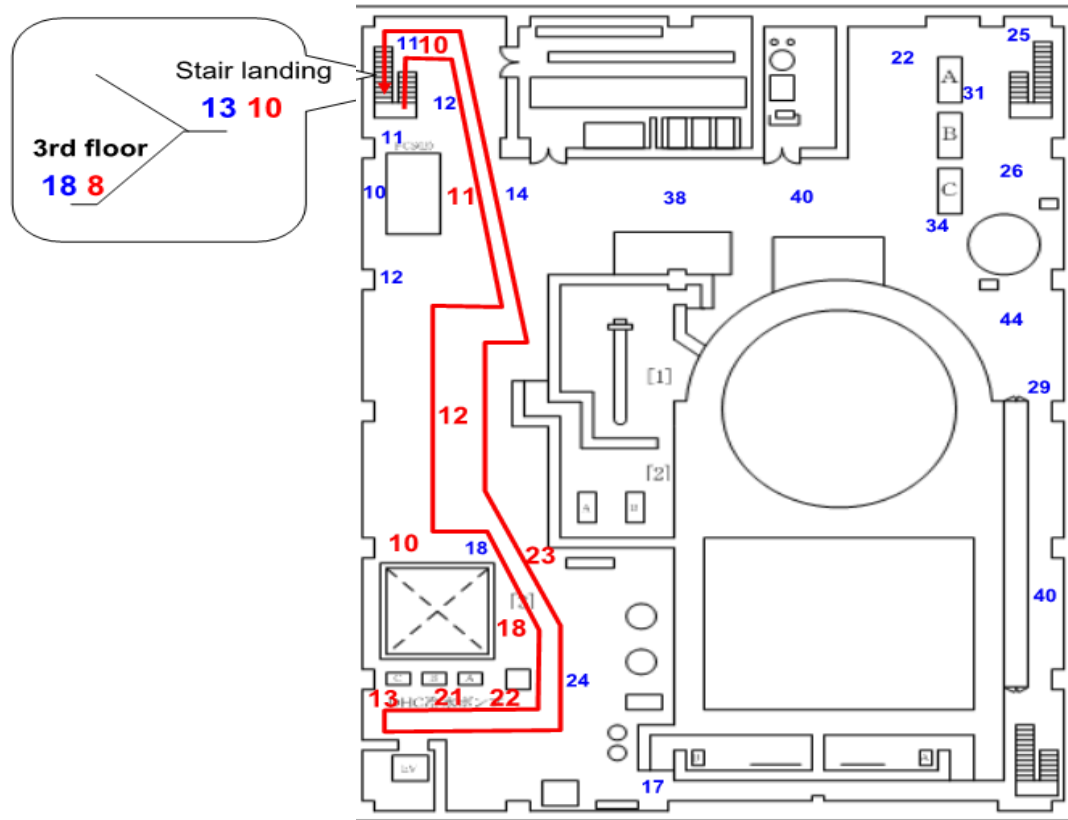
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Floors 3 and 4 – Unit 2

Floors 3 and 4 Combined



Floor 3



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Atmosphere dose rate measured up until February 27

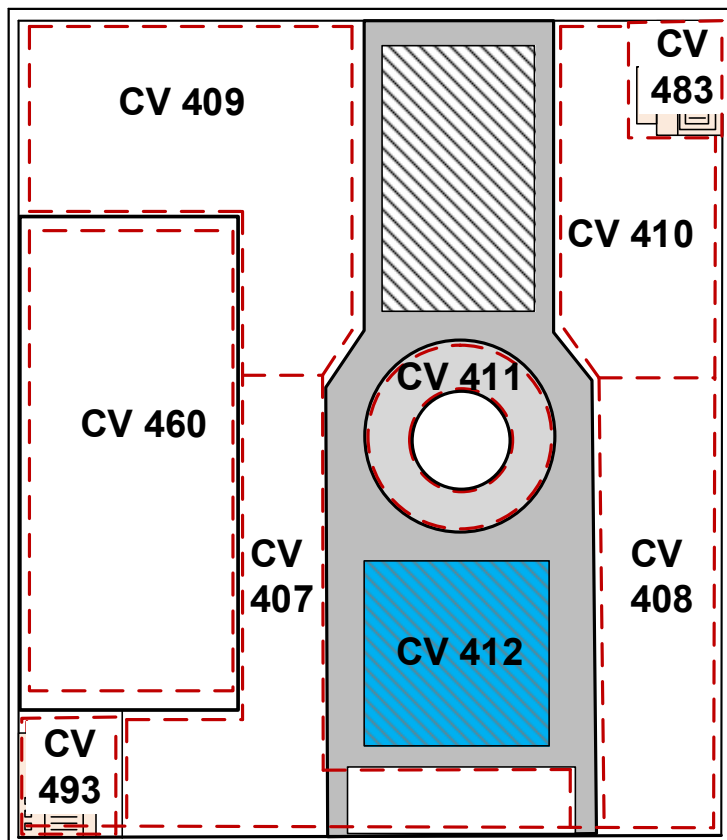
Atmosphere dose rate measured on June 13, 2012

Unit: mSv/h

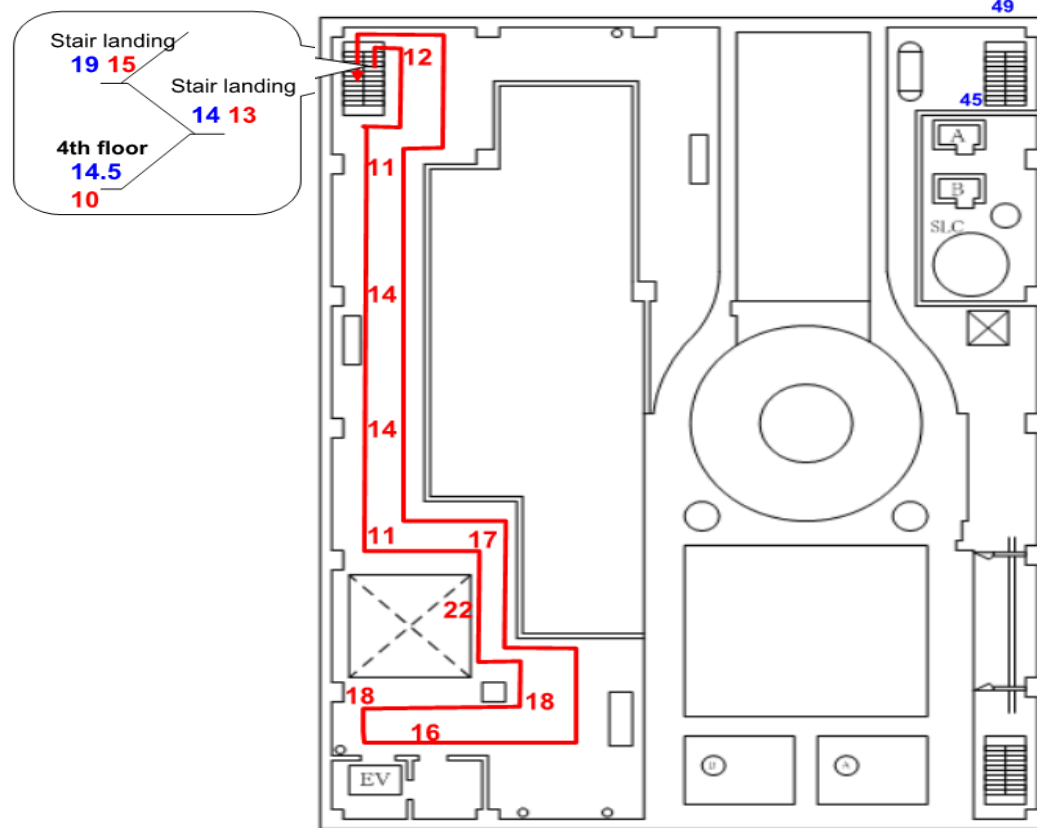
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Floors 3 and 4 – Unit 2

Floors 3 and 4 Combined



Floor 4



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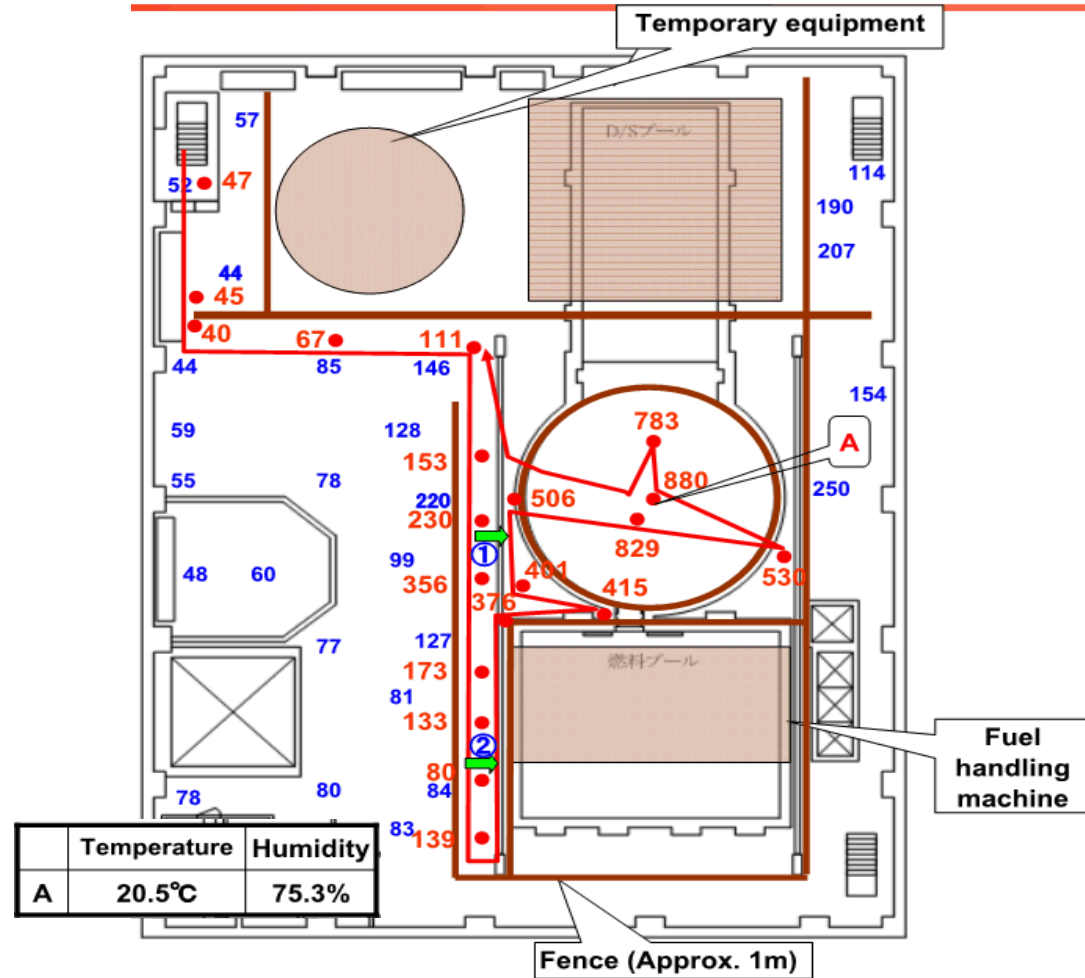
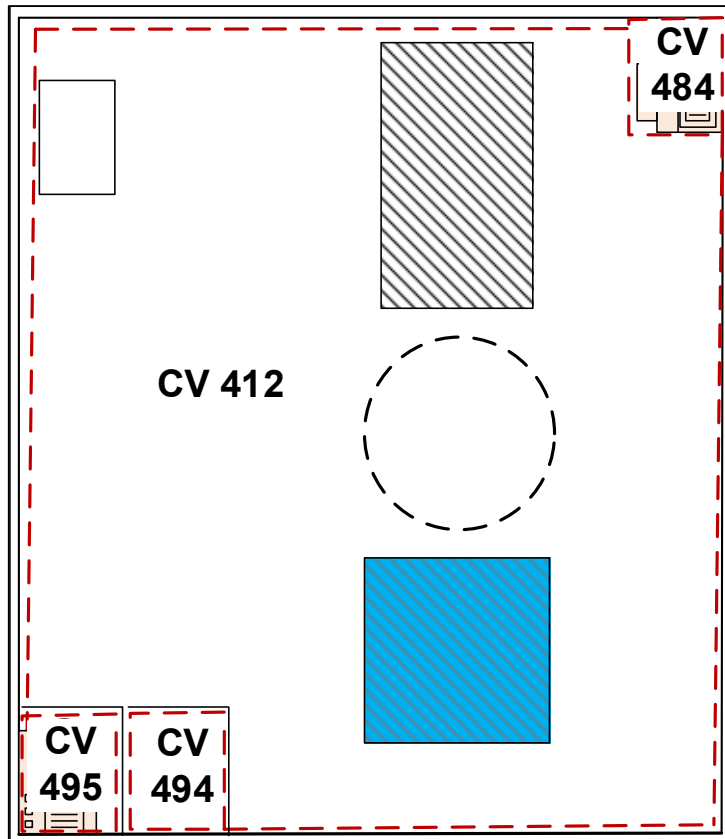
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Refueling Bay – Unit 2

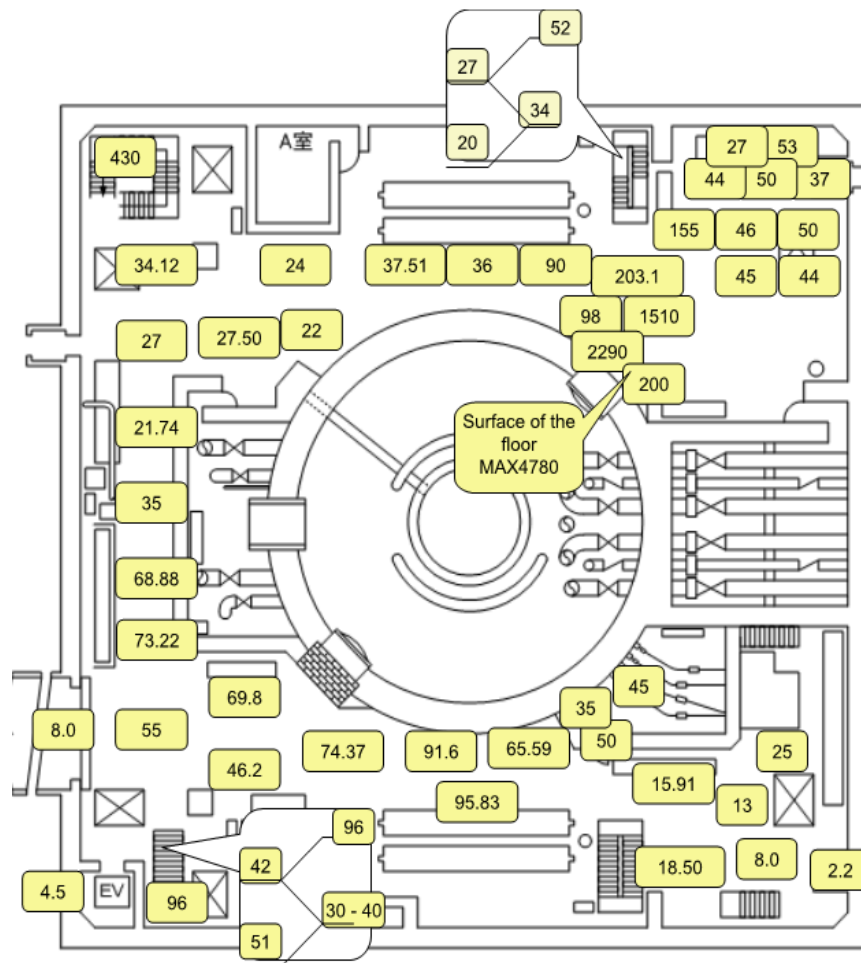
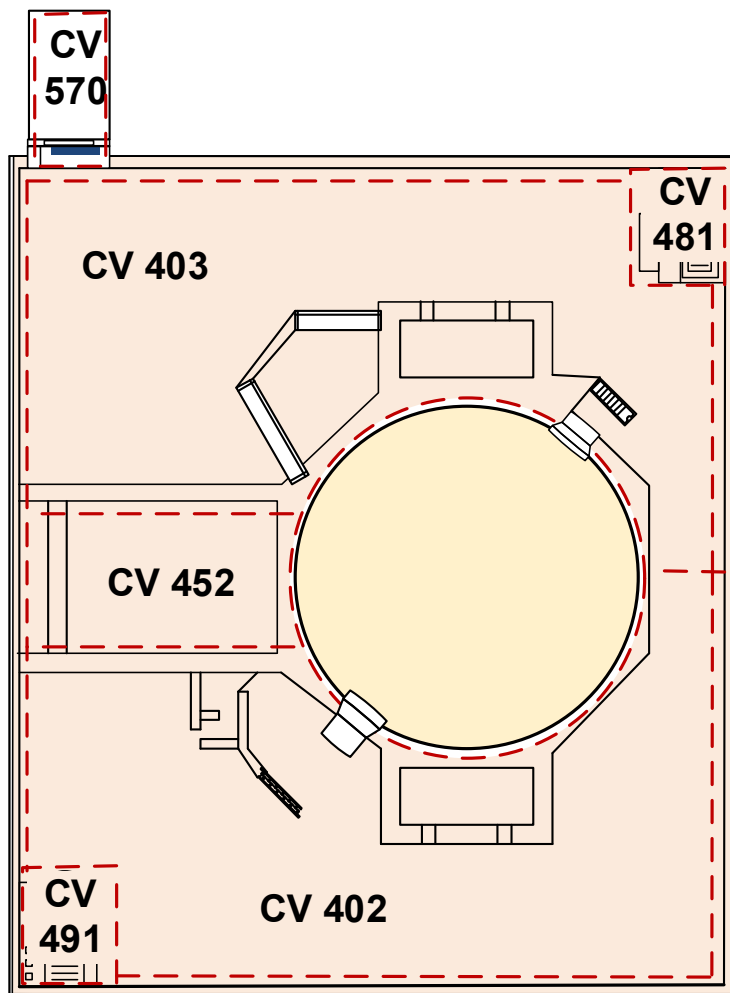


Dose in mSv/hr

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Fukushima Daichi Unit 3

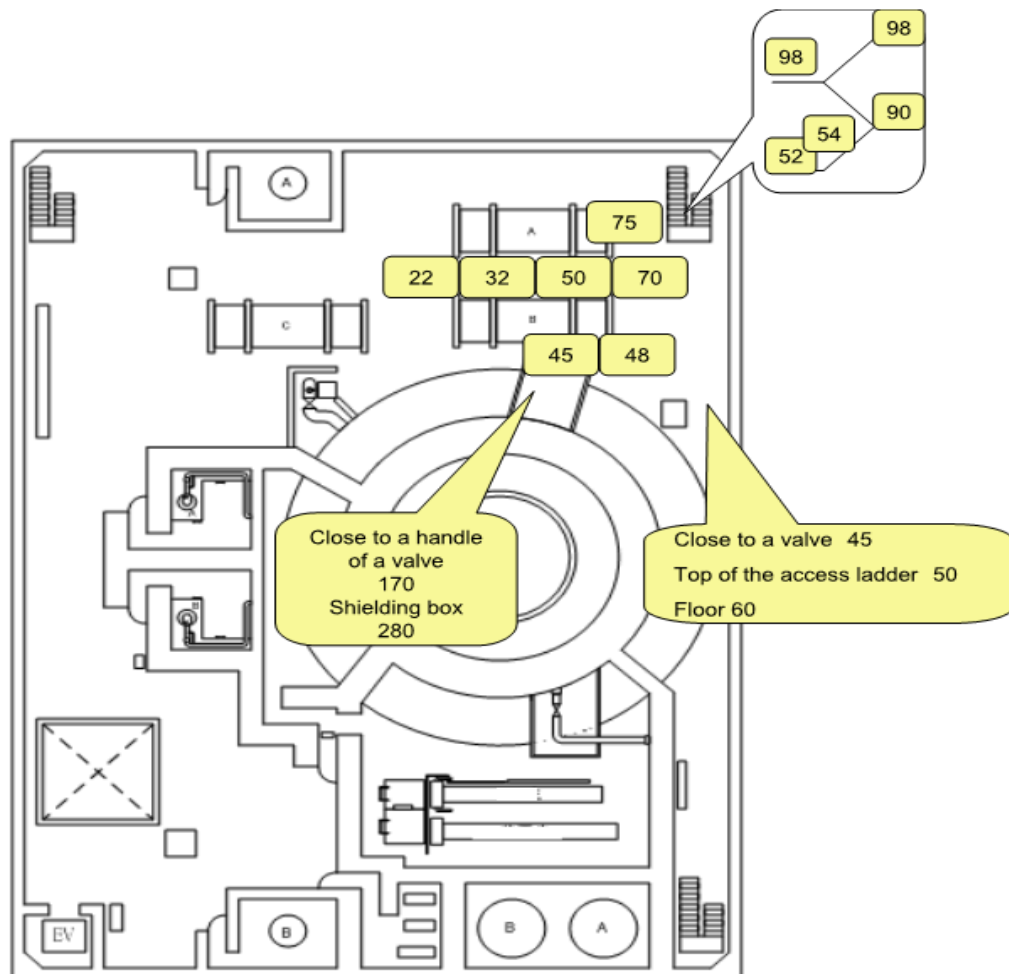
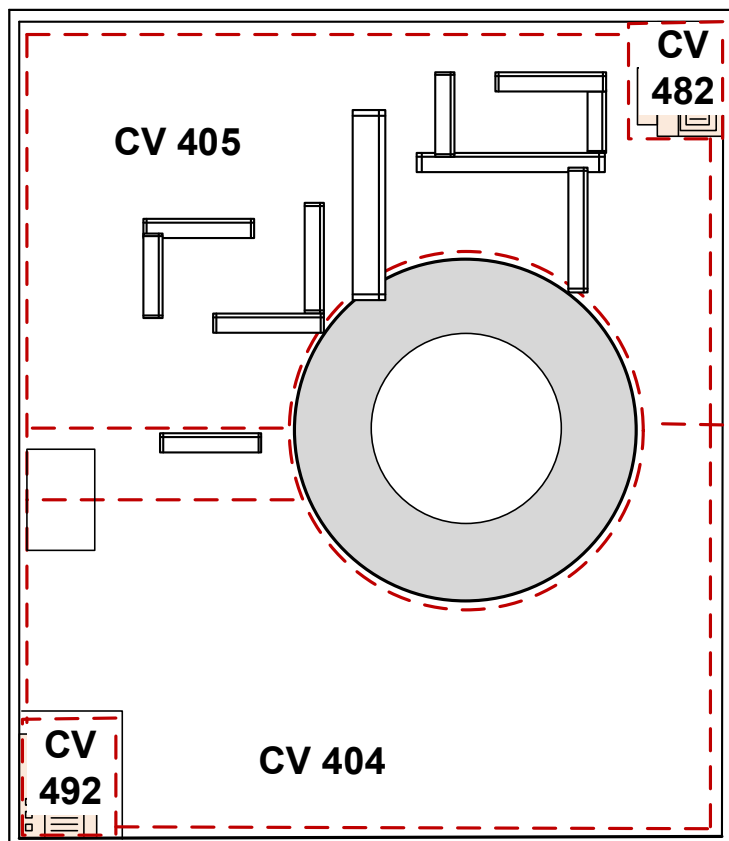
Floor 1 – Unit 3



Dose in mSv/hr

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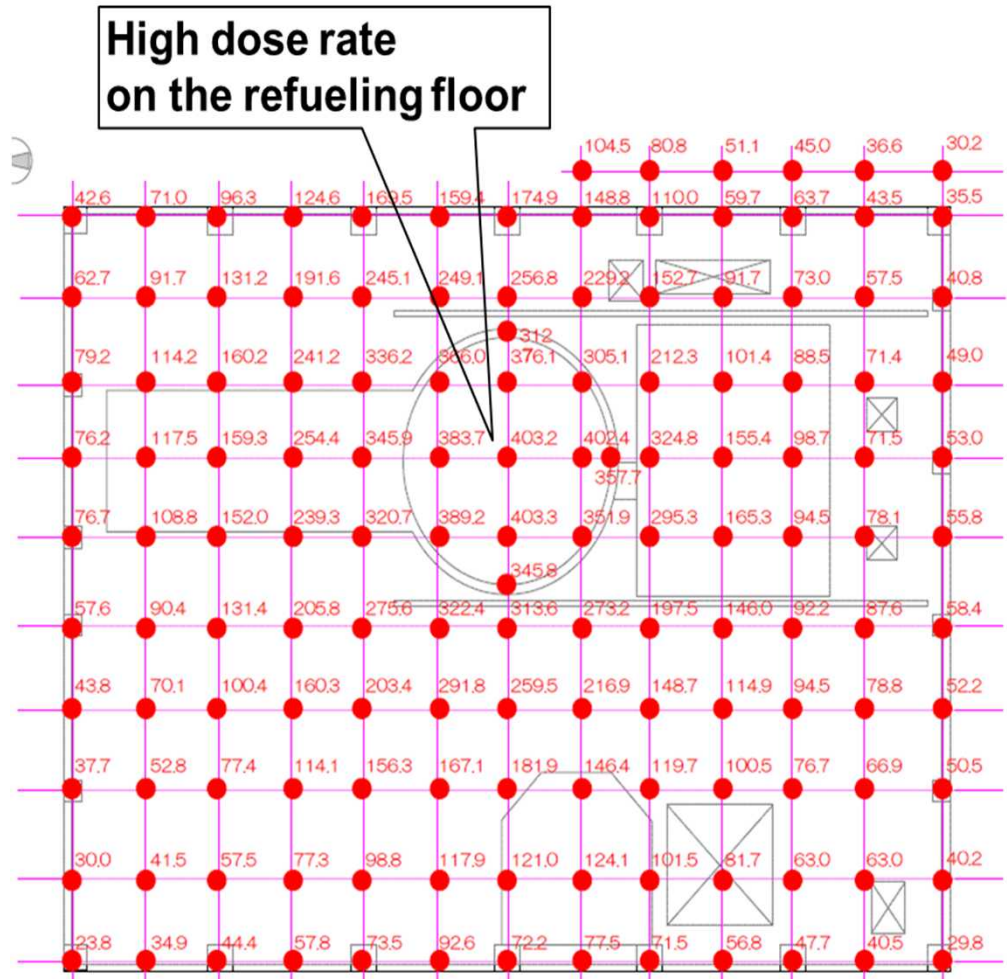
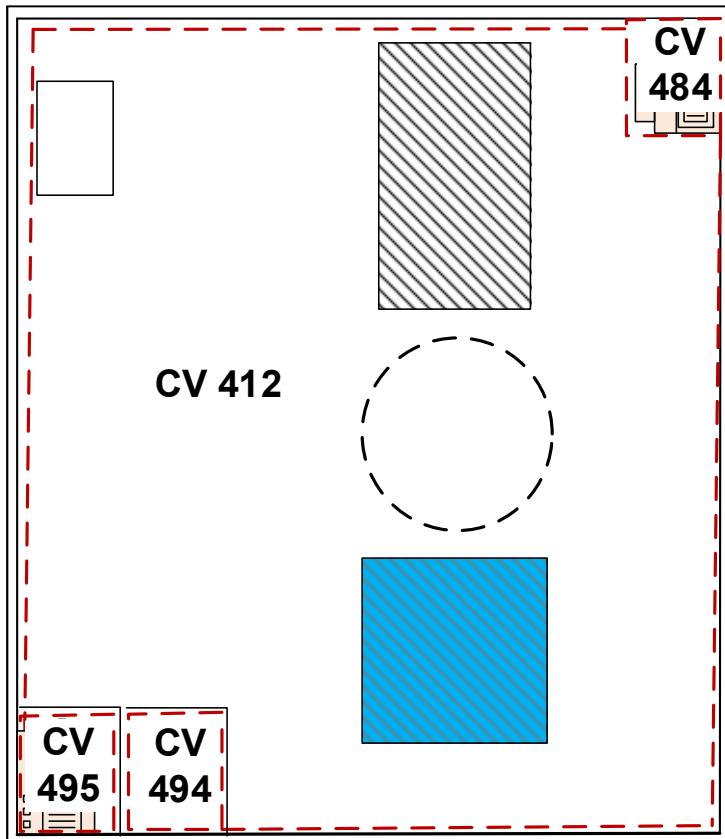
Floor 2 – Unit 3



Dose in mSv/hr

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Refueling Bay – Unit 3



Dose in mSv/hr

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Severe Accident Source Term Calculation and Analysis

Severe accident source terms

Severe nuclear accident: significant fuel damage, radionuclide release, and transport throughout the plant:

- LWR severe accidents typically involve successful shutdown
- Reactor is assumed to remain shutdown throughout accident
 - LEU fuel lattice with water moderator/coolant: small likelihood of re-criticality or reactivity-driven power increase only if control rods melt and relocate, followed by injection of un-borated water
- With the reactor shutdown, the principal problem of LWR severe accidents is the **radionuclide inventory and associated decay heat**
- Radionuclide transport and corium relocation leads to a moving source of radioactivity
 - First-order impacts on subsequent thermal-hydraulic and dose evaluations

Methods for calculating decay heat and inventory

Potential method	Positive attributes	Negative attributes
Rough approximations <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inventory hand calculations for 'simple' nuclides (e.g. ^{137}Cs)• Formulas for total decay heat• Scaled information from other models	Very quick and simple	Questionable accuracy; information lacks consistency; questionable scaling algorithms (i.e. unique user inventions)
Integral methods/standards e.g. ANS decay heat	Relatively quick and scrutable	Lack consistent nuclide-level inventories; only applicable for integral values (e.g. total decay power); lack of consistent power distributions over RN classes and core
Standalone burnup calculations e.g. ORIGEN-S or CINDER95	Relatively quick; reasonable accuracy	Input development time; still requires neutron transport calculations
Full neutronic simulations Coupled neutron transport (or diffusion) and depletion calculations	High resolution simulations possible; modeling rigor and flexibility	Input development and CPU time; excessive resolution for severe accident needs

SNL approach to decay heat and inventory

- **(Mostly) use SCALE6, namely TRITON, ORIGEN-S, ARP**
- **Pre-generate cross section libraries using TRITON**
 - Self-shielded 238 group ENDF/B-VII library created using CENTRM
 - CENTRM: fine-energy, 1D discrete ordinate calculation of pin cell
 - TRITON sequence: NEWT+COUPLE+ORIGEN-S
 - Generates collapsed one-group cross sections for ranges of burnups, enrichments, and void fractions (moderator density)
 - Facilitates standalone ORIGEN-S calculations that can still make use of problem dependent cross sections
- **Standalone depletion/decay calculations using ORIGEN-S/ARP**
 - Requires flux-weighted cross sections that reflect the spectral and spatial domain of the core – calculate via TRITON
 - Data generated at discrete levels of levels of burnup, enrichment, and void fraction; ARP interpolates over this data for ORIGEN-S

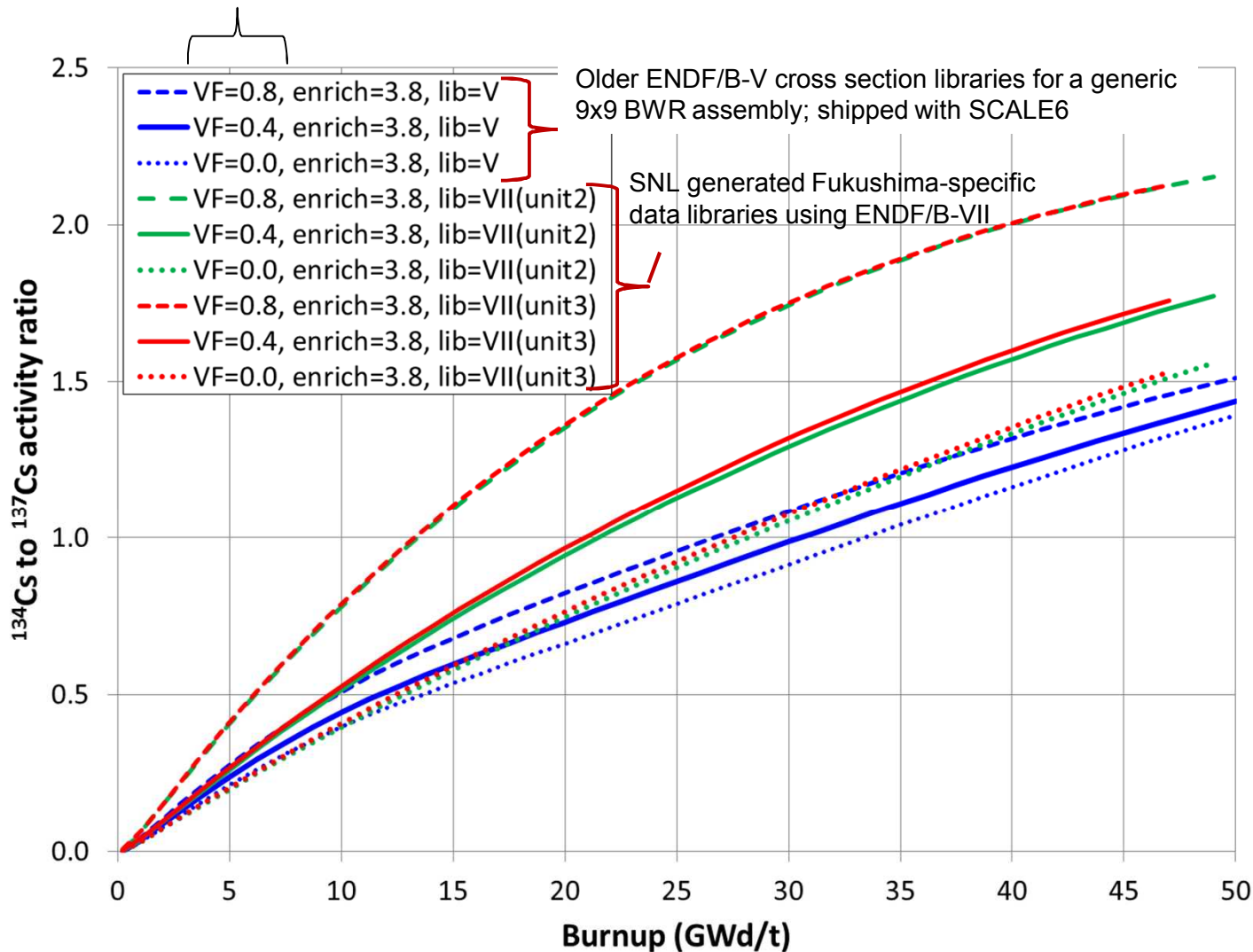
Other uses of nuclear analyses

(probably not used directly in *all* SA models)

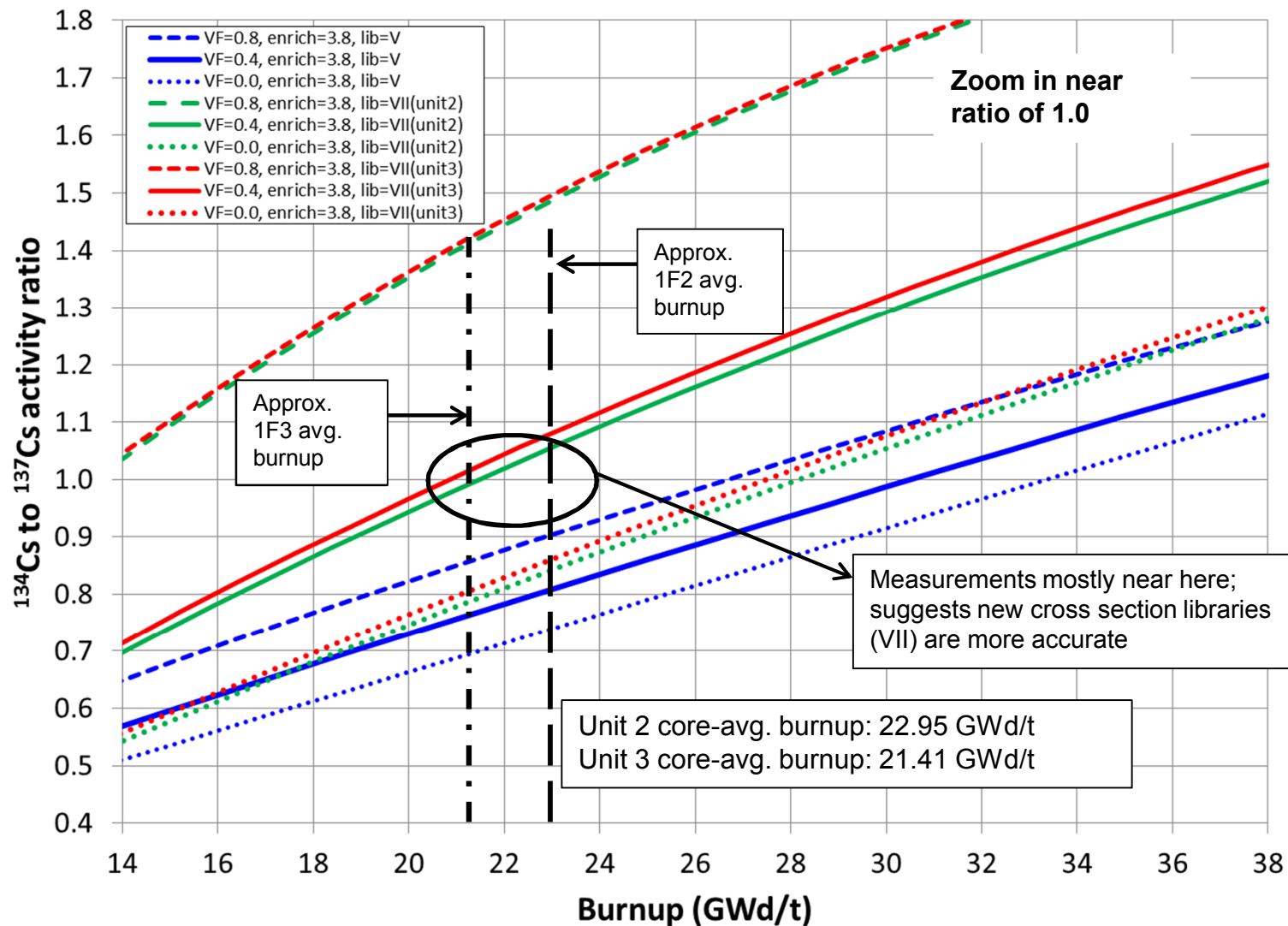
- **Provide insights on how RN class quantities vary with respect to several variables**
 - Burnup – including spatial distribution over core rings
 - Decay time
 - Reactor type, enrichments, power history, etc.
 - Ex. 1) RN class masses with respect to decay time
 - Ex. 2) Key class/nuclide inventory over 1D core rings
 - Ex. 3) RN class decay powers with respect to decay time
- **Key nuclide characteristics**
 - Ex. 4) $^{134}\text{Cs}/^{137}\text{Cs}$ ratio
- **Excellent complementary tools for advanced/unique analyses**
 - Uncertainty and sensitivity analyses: vary inventory and decay power
 - BSAF phase 2; containment and plant dose analyses

Cesium Activity Ratios

Void fraction- important for neutron spectrum



Cesium Activity Ratios



References:

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Backup slides

SNL tools for severe accident inputs

- **Current basic approach**: run ORIGEN-S/ARP for each assembly present in the cycle of interest (i.e. cycle with the severe accident)
 - Use data libraries (via TRITON) to account for problem-dependent details: burnup, enrichment, geometry, MOX, etc.
 - ✓ Why not just do coupled transport/depletion (e.g. TRITON)? -> Need capability to run/re-run many calculations (sensitives/uncertainties)
- **Explicitly model the following characteristics of each assembly**
 - Burnup, power, and decay history (current and previous cycles)
 - Assembly-specific geometry/type (8x8, 9x9, MOX)
 - Assembly-specific enrichment
 - Assembly-specific void fraction – potentially several axial nodes
- **Follow irradiation cycles with a decay calculation with a sufficiently-fine time mesh for decay power curves**
 - Typically 50-100 time steps if linearly interpolating

SNL tools for severe accident inputs [2]

End product from the ORIGEN-S/ARP calculations

Lots of output files containing:

1. Nuclide masses and activities at moment of shutdown for each assembly (1000+ nuclides)
2. Elemental decay power curves (via OPUS) as a function of time after shutdown
 - Avoids having post-process decay power curves for 1000+ nuclides, for ~100 time steps, and 100+ fuel assemblies – reduces CPU time, RAM and disk space needs

Post-processing is a simple matter of adding everything up:

- Perl script directly generated MELCOR and MACCS input records – lumped RN mass/heat, (MEL)MACCS nuclide inputs
- Summation algorithms are *purposefully* simple

SNL tools for severe accident inputs [3]

Summation algorithms are *purposefully* simple

Lumped RN class masses:

- dominated by stable and long-lived nuclides
 - Why include stable RN masses? → They influence aerosol physics
- Total RN masses vary slowly with time after shutdown
- No shuffling or ‘correcting’ RN masses to account for decay given a priori knowledge of accident timing
 - This effort has little utility for LWR severe accidents

Lumped RN class decay power curves:

- Elemental-based decay curves directly from ORIGEN-S/OPUS outputs are largely sufficient (*some potential exceptions*)

Model or gain insights on several interesting features

- spatial distributions of RN mass/heat, class powers, etc.

Utility of ORIGEN-S calculations

- Insignificant CPU time
- Reasonable depletion code input and output processing development time
- Allows for consistent and reasonably accurate information for severe accident modeling:
 - Total core decay heat
 - Distribution of decay heat over lumped radionuclide (RN) classes
 - Spatial distribution of decay heat over the core
 - Lumped RN masses *and* nuclide-level inventories
- Use problem-dependent cross section libraries (e.g. via TRITON) to account for unique burnups, geometries, enrichments, etc.
 - Since libraries are pre-generated (and interpolated with ARP), ORIGEN-S calculations are very fast even for hundreds of assemblies, hence facilitating sensitivity/uncertainty studies

MELCOR/MACCS nuclear needs

MELCOR

1. Lumped radionuclide (RN) class masses (*chemically/physically similar*)
 - Reflect inventory at shutdown
 - Do not vary with decay time
 - Includes stable nuclides in fuel
2. Lumped RN class decay power curves
 - Each a function of time after shutdown
 - Together with lumped RN masses, determines spatial distribution of decay power
3. Total decay power curves
 - User can optionally scale RN class powers to match a different total power curve; this facilitates sensitivity/uncertainty analysis
4. Construction of unique combination classes (e.g. CsI, Cs₂MoO₄)

(MEL)MACCS

1. Nuclide masses
2. Nuclide activities
 - Masses and activities separated by ORIGEN-S categories – fission products, actinides, light elements
 - Masses and activities reflect moment of shutdown – MACCS performs basic decay calculations for key radionuclides
3. Speciation of RN classes

Note: tends to be a lot of information; lends itself well to **automation**
(*work smarter before working harder*)

SNL has developed accurate and automated tools for MELCOR/MACCS inventory and decay heat information to support Fukushima research efforts

SCALE6 in conjunction with automation scripts

- Directly and quickly generate MELCOR/MACCS input records
- Consistent and accurate RN decay heat and inventory information for problem dependent, best-estimate analyses

Ratio dependencies for BWRs – mostly burnup and coolant density (void fraction)

- **Strong function of burnup**
 - The fuel-assembly burnups at shutdown in 1F2/1F3 ranged from ~3 GWd/t to 42 GWd/t
 - Note: each assembly also has axial burnup profiles; peak local burnups are 50-60+ GWd/t
 - Cs-134 is a neutron absorption product of Cs-133 (a fission product); while Cs-137 is a direct fission (and decay) product; note Xe-134 is stable
 - Nuclides produced at different rates
- Strong dependencies on the one-group absorption cross section for Cs-133 given to ORIGEN-S (mostly depends on void fraction)
 - This cross section must be weighted by the problem dependent neutron flux
 - This is a spectrally-spatially integrated value
 - BWR coolant density varies spatially due to bulk boiling, two-phase flow, and axial/radial distributions of void fraction in the core – strong impact on flux
- Second order dependencies:
 - Fuel assembly design
 - 9x9 type in unit 2 vs. slightly different 9x9 type in unit 3
 - Enrichment (assuming it's all LEU), burnable poisons
 - the power history
 - e.g. two assemblies that reach the same total burnup but at different rates will have slightly different $^{134}\text{Cs}/^{137}\text{Cs}$ ratio

Original Calculations – total core estimates

- Calculations are done for each assembly
 - Honors unique characteristics, mainly burnup, of each assembly
- ORIGEN-S/ARP calculations using pre-existing **ENDF-B/V** cross section libraries
 - not fully representative: generic 9x9 BWR assembly
 - decay data from ENDF-B/VII still used
- Only intended for initial severe accident models
- Uses fuel assembly-specific information from TEPCO (burnup, power fraction, etc.)
- Avg. void fraction of 0.4 assumed for each assembly

ORIGEN-S standalone with pre-generated ENDF-B/V cross sections and decay data from ENDF-B/VII.1

	Masses (g)		Activities (Bq)		Mass ratio	Activity ratio
	Cs-134	Cs-137	Cs-134	Cs-137		
Unit 1	3.97E+03	6.36E+04	1.90E+17	2.05E+17	0.063	0.930
Unit 2	5.17E+03	7.90E+04	2.48E+17	2.54E+17	0.065	0.973
Unit 3	4.54E+03	7.41E+04	2.17E+17	2.39E+17	0.061	0.911

Revised calculations

- Use new ARP libraries generated from Fukushima-specific fuel assembly models
 - Made via 2D neutron transport and burnup via NEWT/COUPLE/ORIGEN-S (the TRITON sequence)
 - Use newer ENDF-B/VII cross sections
 - Models the unique Fukushima fuel assembly geometry and materials
 - Including the MOX in 1F3
- Possibly take into account axial void fraction effects
- **Same calculation process otherwise as before**
- **These will be completed shortly**

Neutron Absorption Cross Section

