Physics Department Seminar

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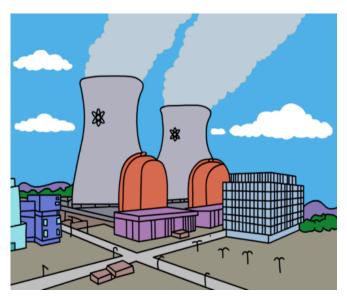
11:00am in PhSc 108

"Control and Safety Systems in Nuclear Reactors:

An attempt to de-mystify nuclear power and encourage its further use"



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Abstract:

Since the events of Chernobyl and Three-Mile Island, people have become skeptical and fearful of nuclear power. This fear is primarily a result of only partial knowledge of how electricity is harvested from nuclear power, mixed with some real issues. This talk focuses on the modern control and safety mechanisms in use at current nuclear plants and those planned for future plants. Special attention is also paid to what to do with the waste that these plants produce.