# Marine Nuclear Propulsion

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### **Outline of Presentation**

- Nuclear propulsion for Submarines
- Nuclear propulsion for surface shipping
- Where could we go in the future?

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### **Early Submarines**



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### **Early Submarines**



By Ji-Elle - Own work



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### **Later Submarines**



Photo # NH 53474 Inboard profile drawing of submarine Holland, published 1898

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### **Rickover**



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### **Nautilus Prototype**



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### "Underway on Nuclear Power"



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## **Typical Dispersed PWR**





### **UK Experience**



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### **Marine PWR Options**

Dispersed



#### **Close Coupled**



Source untraceable

Integral



Source untraceable



### **Other Reactor Types**

- Liquid Metal Fast Reactors (LMR)
  - Na
  - Pb-Bi
- Heavy Water Reactors
- Boiling Water Reactors (BWR)
- Gas Cooled Reactors
  - GTMHR
  - GFR
- Molten Salt Reactors



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### **Naval Surface Ship Nuclear Propulsion**



US - 11

France - 1

#### **Cruisers**

US - (9 decommissioned 1995-1998) Russia - 1 (3 decommissioned)

<u>Communications Ship</u> Russia – (1 decommissioned)



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### **Merchant Ship Nuclear Propulsion**

#### **Ice Breakers**

#### Russia - 10 including Sevmorput (3 decommissioned)



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#### Cargo/ Passenger

#### US - 1 Savannah (decommissioned 1972)



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Germany Otto Hahn (decommissioned 1979)



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Japan - Mutsu (decommissioned 1992)



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### **NS Savannah**



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# Merchant Ship Nuclear PropulsionDesign – 1970'sDesign – 2000's

**Merchant Ship Reactor** 



#### **High Speed Sea Lift**





**3 Loop PWR Icebreaker** 

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### **Business case**





### **System level options**

### Super-system level



System level



### **A Super-System Concept**





## **System level options**



### **Regulatory and Safety Challenges**

- Regulatory framework for licensing
- Definition of design basis
  - Collision
  - Grounding
  - Sea conditions
- Link to Class Societies
- Automation policy



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