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Sommario/riassunto	This book covers the fundamentals of thermodynamics required to understand electrical power generation systems, honing in on the application of these principles to nuclear reactor power systems. It

includes all the necessary information regarding the fundamental laws to gain a complete understanding and apply them specifically to the challenges of operating nuclear plants. Beginning with definitions of thermodynamic variables such as temperature, pressure and specific volume, the book then explains the laws in detail, focusing on pivotal concepts such as enthalpy and entropy, irreversibility, availability, and Maxwell relations. Specific applications of the fundamentals to Brayton and Rankine cycles for power generation are considered in-depth, in support of the book's core goal- providing an examination of how the thermodynamic principles are applied to the design, operation and safety analysis of current and projected reactor systems. Detailed appendices cover metric and English system units and conversions, detailed steam and gas tables, heat transfer properties, and nuclear reactor system descriptions. Dedicated volume focusing on the thermodynamic properties at work in nuclear plants Full coverage, from underlying scientific principles to applications throughout the nuclear cycle, from fuel processing to waste disposal Gives in-depth consideration to thermodynamic fundamentals in Brayton and Rankine cycles for power generation Handy appendices span steam and gas tables, heat transfer properties, and nuclear reactor system descriptions.
