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Submissions 2000 2001 2002 Total papers received (No.) 280 298 436 Papers rejected (No.) 93 130 305

33%

44%

70%

Table 1 The paper rejection rate of JZUS from 2000 to 2002

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Learned Publishing (2002) 15, 59 - 62

Title: Journal of Zhejiang University (SCIENCE); a new journal for the 21st century

Learned Publishing (2003) 16, 91 - 94

Title: An international peer-review system for a Chinese scientific journal.

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LIN Chang-dong(林昌东), Editor of JZUS, April 26, 2003

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