

Estimation of Design Criteria for LMR Fuel Pin Related to Eutectic Penetration under Transient Conditions

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Abstract

The major factors of the rupture behavior of LMR fuel pin seem to be the cladding hoop stress caused by fission-gas loading and the stress enhancement due to the eutectic penetration rate. If the temperature is raised above the threshold eutectic temperature of low-melting phase formed by fuel/cladding interaction, the pin fail under predicted rupture time by creep correlation because of wall thinning due to the eutectic penetration. The objects of this study are to determine the eutectic penetration rate affected by burnup and temperature and to compare the design criteria of creep with that of eutectic penetration. So it was estimated how the pin performance are analyzed by the eutectic penetration in this study. As the result of the estimation, the cladding seems to fail under predicted rupture time by creep in case of low burnup fuel and the cladding damage of creep seems to be more principle than eutectic as the temperature increases in case of high burnup fuel.

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(ANL) 1984 IFR(Integral Fast Reactor)

U-Pu-Zr HT9 [1].
 KALIMER(Korea Advanced LIquid MEtal Reactor)가 U-
 TRU-Zr /HT9
 EBR-II , U-Pu-Zr , 75%
 , (martensite) , / , 1.5
 / 19at.% [2].

ATWS(Anticipated Transient Without Scram)

[3].

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iron

Uranium-
(liquid phase)

[4,5].

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FCTT(Fuel Cladding Transient Tester) [6]

ANL(Argonne National Laboratory) FBTA(Fuel Behavior

Test Apparatus) [7]

WPF(Whole Pin Furnace) [8] ANL

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 low-melting phase . 'brittle zone'
 (wastage) [3].
 Uranium-iron / 715°C [9].
 , , , ,
 , porosity,
 [10]. 가
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2.1 FBTA [7]

U-19Pu-10Zr HT9 /
 (compatibility) 가 25 .
 EBR-II subassembly X441 .
 / 가
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 , ,
 (activation energy) 가 5.6at.%
 가 11at.% 가 , 1
 가 . 5.6 at.%
 , 1 740°C ~ 770°C , 7 725°C,
 11 at.% , 1 650°C, 12 650°C ~
 660°C . 2
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$$Penetration\ rate(mm/s) = \exp(11.646 - 15665/T(K)) \quad (1)$$

2.2 WPF [3,8]

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EBR-II 6 IFR
 (2.2, 3.0a/o) FM1~FM3 500°C 6°C/s
 가 820°C (11.4 at.%) FM4
 770°C
 가 / U-19Pu-10Zr/HT9 FM2 FM4
 FBTA /
 FM2 FM4

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 WPF FBTA FM2 FM4
 가 CDF(Cumulative Damage Fraction) 가
 FCTT

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, FBTA 1 (medium)
 . 1
 ATWS
 가
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 3 FBTA
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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Penetration rate}(\text{mm/s}) &= \exp(2.7371 - 6393.24/T(K)) \text{ for } 5.0 \sim 5.6 \text{ at.\% burnup} \\
 \text{Penetration rate}(\text{mm/s}) &= \exp(21.5244 - 26706.45/T(K)) \text{ for } 9.2 \sim 11.3 \text{ at.\% burnup} \quad (2)
 \end{aligned}$$

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(gas bubble) precipitate

FM2 FM4
750°C

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KALIMER

4, 5

FM2 FM4

10%

10%

FM2

FM4

5 700°C

(phase)

FM2

10%

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FM4

750°C

10%

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4.

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Arrhenius

FM2

FM4

FM2

10%

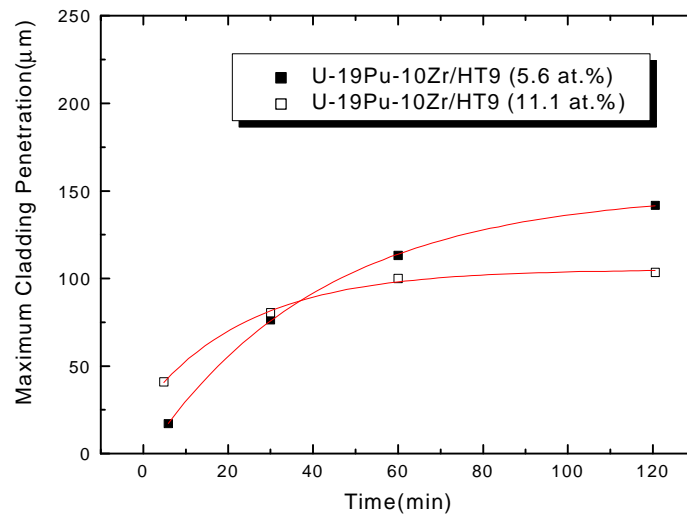
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FM4

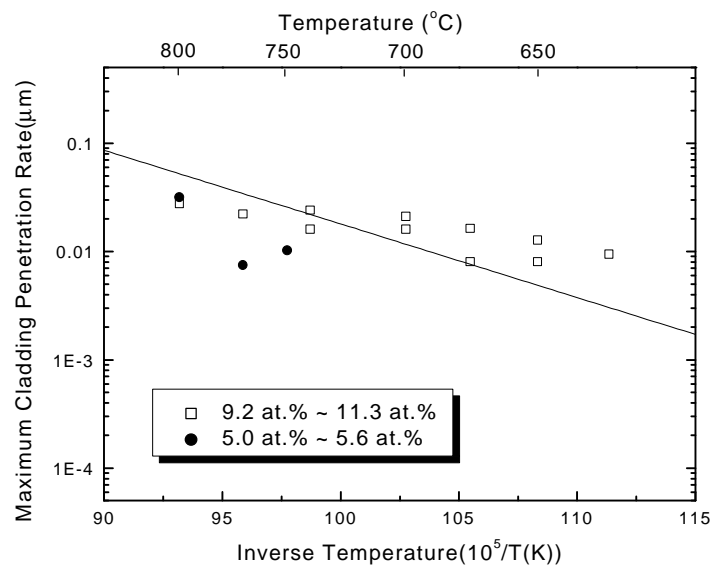
1. WPF

Fuel type	Peak fuel burnup (a/o)	Hold temperature (°C)	Test duration (min.)	Eutectic penetration (% of cladding thickness)	Plenum fuel vol. ratio
FM-2 U-19Pu-10Zr	3.0	820	112 *	67	1.0
FM-4 U-19Pu-10Zr	11.4	770	68 *	24	1.5

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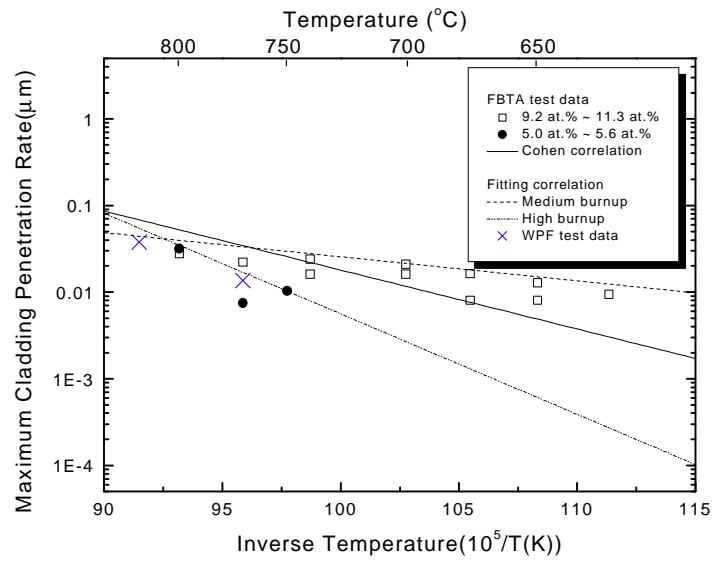


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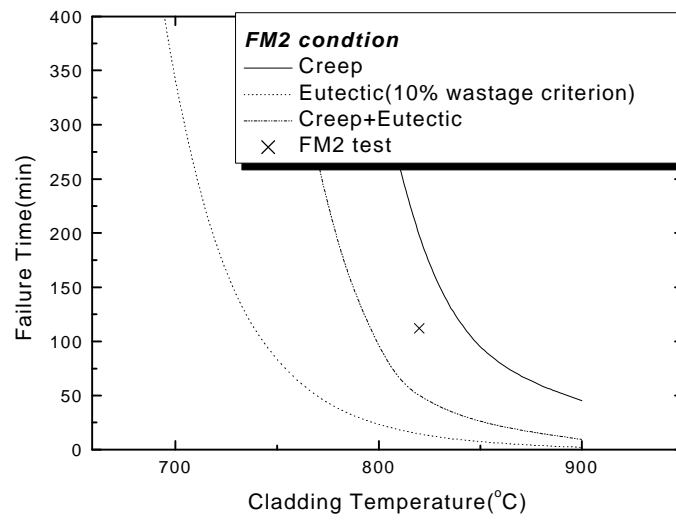


2. FBTA

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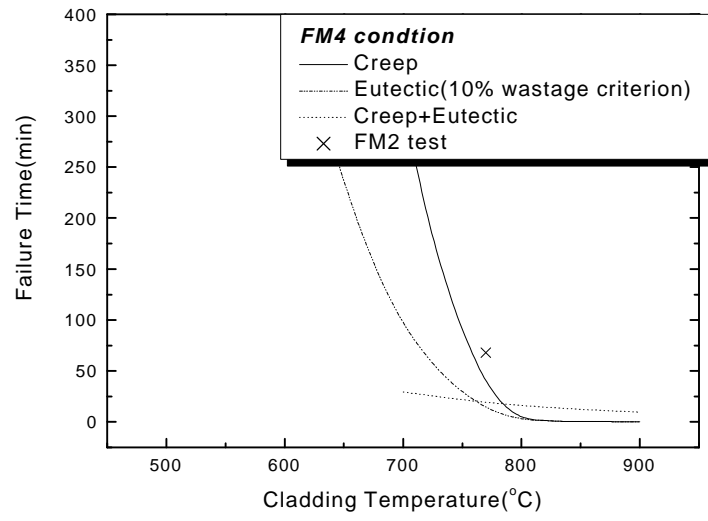


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4. FM2

10%



5. FM4

10%