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Oxidation Rate Equation of Zircaloy-4 in High Temperature Steam at High Pressure

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Abstract

In the severe accident case like LOCA, Zircaloy claddings are oxidized not only in high temperature but also in high pressures. It is a concern whether the safety of high burn up fuels can be maintained during severe accident. The effects of steam pressure on zircaloy-4 oxidation, and the effect of pre-existing oxide layer on the cladding in the high temperature-high pressure oxidation of zircaloy-4 were investigated. Oxidation rate equation of zircaloy-4 in high temperature steam at high pressure was suggested based on the measured data. The experimental temperature range was 700 900 , and the pressures were between 1 and 150 bar. Partial pressure of steam turned out to be the important one rather than total gas pressure. The higher the steam pressure was applied, the thicker the oxide became. The effect of steam pressure on the oxidation of cladding with pre-existing oxide was about 40 60 % less effective than that of pickled cladding.

1. 1 NRC(Nuclear Regulatory Commission) 17 % 가 Baker-Just (BJ) [1]. BJ 가 가 [2]. - 4 가 , 700 900 가 2. 700 900 500, 1000, 1500 가 1 150 bar 가 thermocouple).

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               5 bar
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         , thermocouple
                  SEM (Scanning Electron Microscopy)
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SEM
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                                  50 bar
0.4 0.6
            100 bar
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        .[3,6]
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                                    50 μm
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920
      [14].
              Chaklader
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       Hart
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  (superplasticity)
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                                         [15].
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           [3,6]. Leistikow
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     400 800
                                 50 μm
                   [3].
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                                                            breakaway
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1200 breakaway , 1100 가 750 800 가 850 , Leistikow - 4 가 [3,5], 750 800 $\delta(t,1,P) \ = \ K_T \cdot t^{0.333} \ = \ \delta_o$ $\delta(t, T, P) = \delta_o \cdot e^{\gamma(P-1)}$ $= \delta_o \cdot t^{\beta(P-1)}$ $\gamma(P-1) = \beta(P-1) \cdot \ln t$ $\beta = \frac{\gamma}{\ln t}$ $\therefore \delta(t, T, P) = K_T \cdot t^{\beta(P-1)+\alpha}$ ----- (1) $K_{\text{T}} = 2.6 \times 10^{3} \ e^{\frac{17,960 \ (call\,m\,ol)}{1.98 \ (call\,m\,ol-\ K) imes T(K)}}$ = 0.3333R = 1.98 cal/mol- K (μm) (sec) t : T 가 (bar) (bar⁻¹) P : 700 900 1 (85 , 800 0 900) 7). (500) (NRC LOCA BJ 8 50 bar BJ

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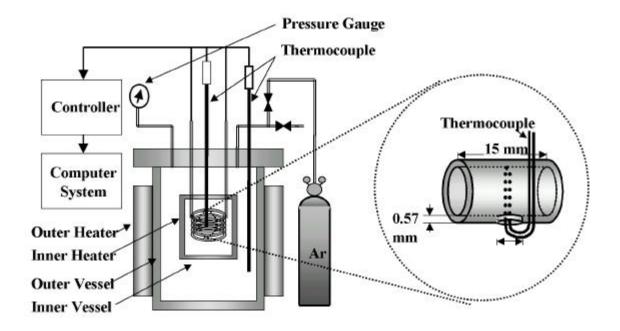
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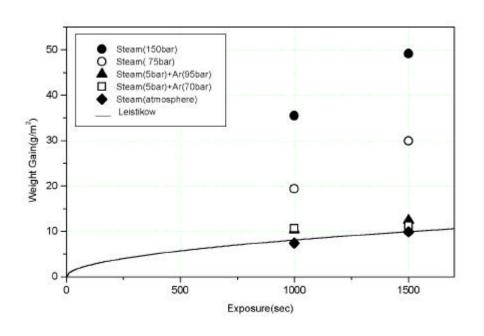
3) 40 60 %

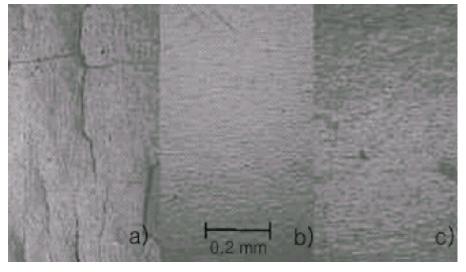
4) $\delta(\mu m) = K_T \cdot t^{\beta(P-1)+\alpha}$ 5) $-4 \qquad 1000 \qquad , BJ$

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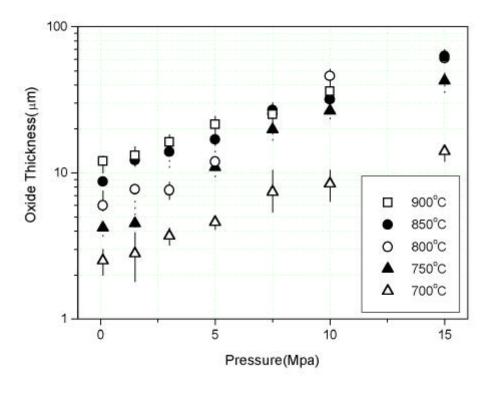
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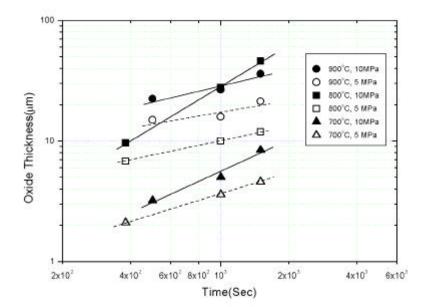


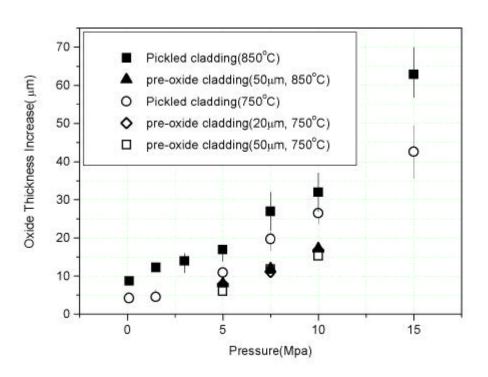


3 a)750 , 75bar , 1500 . b)750 , 5bar +70bar, 1500 c) 700 , a)

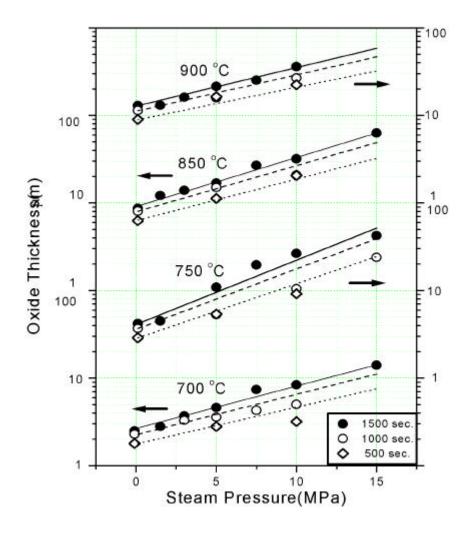


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700	1.53 x 10 ⁻³
750	2.31 x 10 ⁻³
800	2.27 x 10 ⁻³
850	1.76 x 10 ⁻³
900	1.38 x 10 ⁻³

