

## Ultrasonic measurement method of calandria tube sagging in CANDU reactor

103-16

150

( ) 가

(sagging)

가 .

### Summary

Calandria tube wrapping each pressure tube is one of the key structural components of CANDU reactor(calandria) which is consisted of many pressure tubes containing nuclear fuel assemblies. As the calandria tube(made of zirconium alloy) is sagging due to its thermal and irradiation creep during the plant operation, it possibly contacts with liquid injection nozzle crossing beneath the calandria tube, which subsequently results in difficulties on the safe operation. It is therefore necessary to check the gap for the confirmation of no contacts between the two tubes, calandria tube and liquid injection tube, with a proper measure during the life of plant. In this study, an ultrasonic measurement method was selected among several methods investigated. The ultrasonic device being developed for the measurement of the gap was introduced and its preliminary performance test results were presented here.

1.

( )가 ( pressure  
 tube: PT) (calandria tube: CT) CT  
 (liquid injection nozzle; LIN) , 1  
 1 380 CT가 11.25" ,  
 LIN (horizontal and vertical flux detector; HFD  
 VFD) 1  
 CT (PT ) LIN  
 CT LIN ( )  
 (growth) (creep) .  
 가 , ( ), , ,  
 [1,2]. CT LIN  
 , LIN CT  
 CT 가 가  
 LIN CT가 가 .  
 가 CT LIN  
 [3].  
 LIN HFD CT  
 Pt. Lepreau [4] HFD probe (89, 91,  
 95 ) , Bruce 4 1993 LIN probe  
 , [5].  
 , 1 가 15  
 CT LIN  
 가 [6].

2.

CT 11.25" , LIN, HFD  
 CT LIN , CT HFD  
 LIN HFD ( 1 ) CT  
 LIN  
 1,2,3,4 , LIN CT F G , Q R 3 ( )  
 , 1 ) 6 가 .  
 LIN F /Q CT G /R CT

CT CT 가  
 , 가 가  
 , CT LIN 가 가  
 LIN-2 LIN-5 가 AECL  
 , 가 CT LIN  
 CT F 5 16 LIN-2가, Q 3 18 LIN-5  
 가 가  
 LIN CT  
 3가  
 - LIN  
 - HFD  
 -

(viewing port: VP)

neutron source

start-up unit

가

### (1) LIN

LIN

gadolinium nitrate

. LIN CT

90 °

( 1 ). CT LIN  
injection hole

, LIN

probe LIN

flange

LIN

LIN ,

CT

3

2-3

CT

LIN

LIN

25 °

가

2

Bruce A

4

480

'79

가

'93

11

14

가

CT

LIN

[5].

CT

Bruce

'95 '96

LIN

Research Productivity Council (RPC)

[7].

1

가

1

Bruce 4

LIN flange가 L elbow ,  
LIN .

**(2) HFD**

LIN HFD 가  
probe CT HFD . HFD  
, CT LIN , CT  
Pt. Lepreau HFD 1989 , 1991 , 1995 CT HFD  
[4].  
1 Pt. Lepreau HFD가  
가 HFD  
가 , HFD  
가

**(3) VP**

가 (VP) probe  
locater probe CT  
CT LIN  
( 3 ).  
VP CT LIN HFD 가  
LIN  
(AECL) 가 [8].  
VP 1 VP-1 CT 2 3 ,  
(A ) 80cm가 VP-2 CT 16 17  
, (C ) 60cm 가  
VP 2 3 , 16 17 CT LIN-2 LIN-5가 ,  
CT LIN LIN CT (F3, F16, F17, Q2, Q3, Q16, Q17)  
CT (G2, G3, G16, G17, R3, R16, R17) 가 .  
CT LIN [9].  
probe data  
VP  
20 CT , VP-2가  
(16, 17 ) 가 가  
, 가 CT .

VFD

VP

가

1 , data  
CT LIN

가

3.

(1)

1

VP

CT

LIN

4

3

CT

LIN

drive mechanism ,

가

( )

(5-10MHz)

1

CT LIN

가

가

2

3

bandwidth

20%, 24%, 33%

CT

LIN

, CCD

(1/3" Sony CCD, 27

, 400TV-Line)

가

CCD

motor

, encoder

/ joystick /

drive mechanism

DC servo

CT

LIN

6

encoder

PC

(2)

1 CT LIN  
 가  
 RM(reactivity mechanism) deck, VP  
 가  
 CT 10 11.25  
 LIN 4  
 (40cm, 60cm, 80cm, 100cm) VP locator  
 7  
 RM deck  
 thimble RM deck  
 가

(3)

0.5mm 10 CT 4 LIN  
 1mm 3

4.

CT  
 (sagging) 가  
 CT  
 CT  
 CT (VP) 가  
 data 가

1 VP CT LIN  
 , CT LIN /  
 drive mechanism ,  
 . CT LIN  
 1mm  
 1 CT  
 LIN

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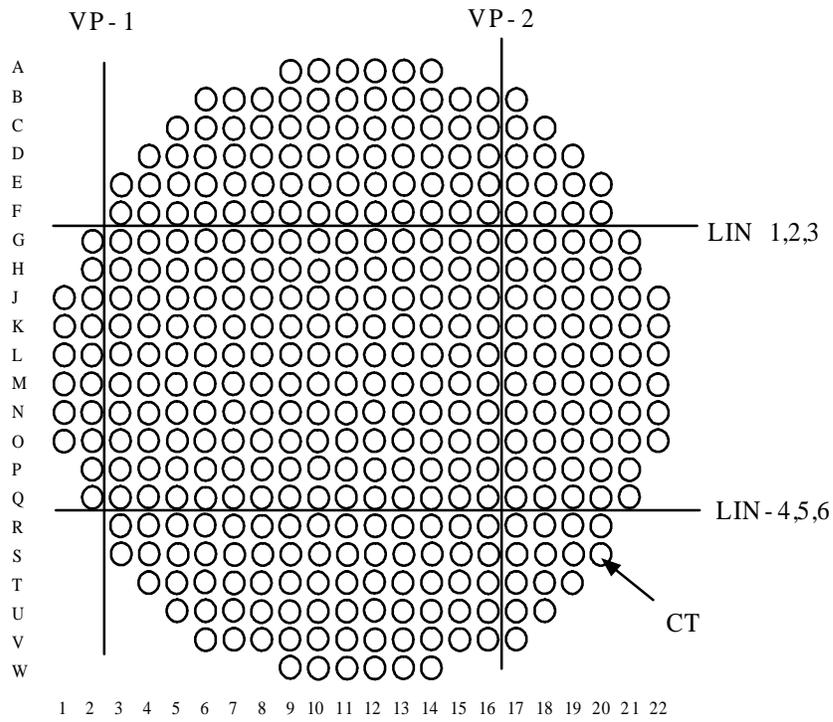
		(mm)	(mm)	(mm)	
PT	380	A: 6185.6 B: 6170.4 C: 6155.2	104.8	4.19	Zr 2.5% - Nb
CT	380	5944	128.96	1.37	Zircaloy - 2
LIN	6	7320	50.8	2.79	Zircaloy - 2
HFD	7	12530	2.73/ 1.65/ 0.34	6.22/ 0.50/ 0.2	Zircaloy - 2/ SS/ Al
VFD	26	14300	3.04/ 2.20/ 0.34	7.11/ 1.65/ 0.2	Zircaloy - 2/ SS/ Al

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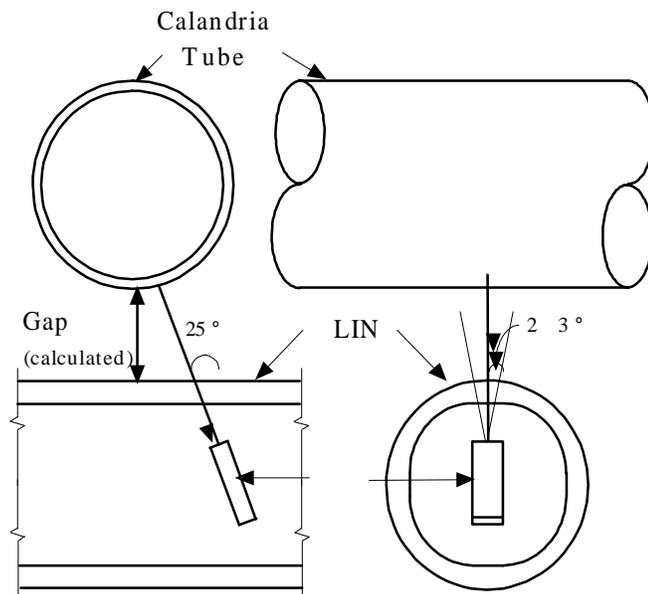
	Bandwidth (6dB)	
2.25 MHz	20% , 24% , 33%	15.6 mm

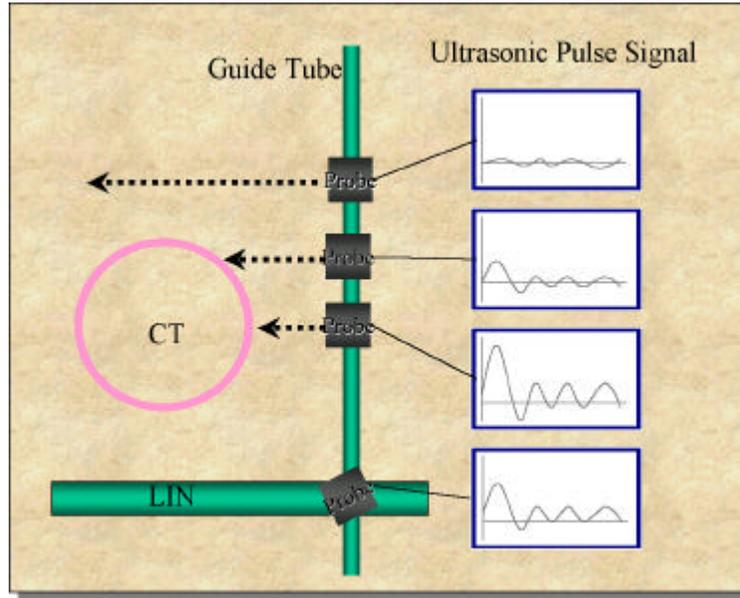
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	(mm),	(mm),	(mm)
CT 1	104.0	104.0	0.0
CT 2	389.3	390.0	0.7
CT 3	674.6	676.0	1.4
CT 4	959.7	960.5	0.9
CT 5	1245.1	1246.0	1.0
CT 1	103.0	103.0	0.0
CT 2	388.3	389.0	0.7
CT 3	673.6	674.0	0.4
CT 4	958.7	959.5	0.9
CT 5	1244.1	1244.5	0.5
LIN 1	247.1	247.0	0.1
LIN 2	533.0	534.1	1.1
LIN 3	819.1	818.5	0.6
LIN 4	1102.7	1103.7	1.0



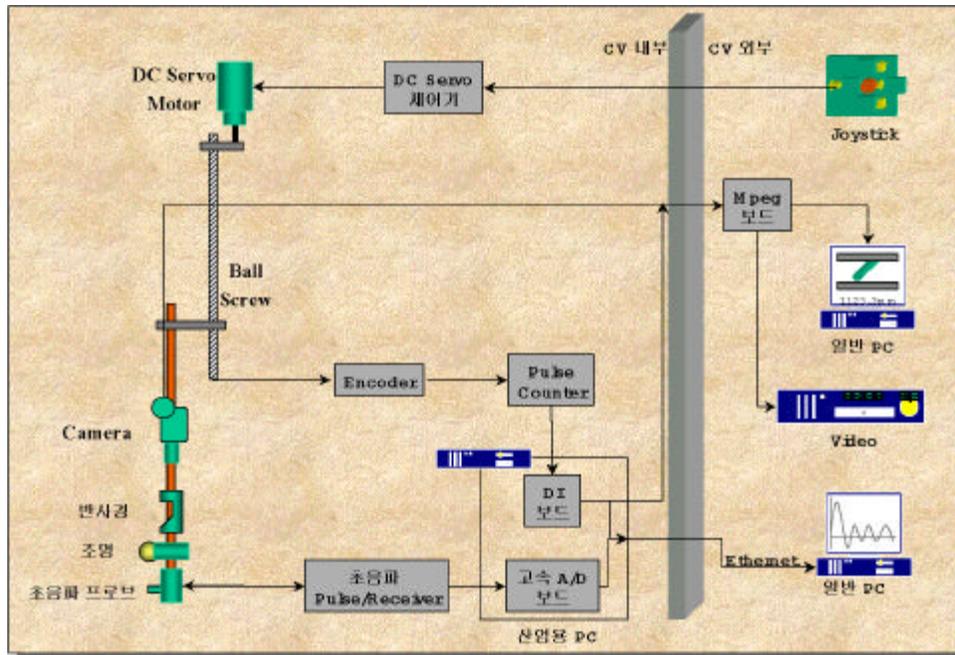
1 1 CT LIN, VP





3

CT LIN



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