

## Exam 2

-7, 18/25

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Question 1

-4, thermal expansion in fuel and cladding causing gap change,  
fission causing rapid T increase

① Cladding: cladding temperature rise to about 650 K

gap: constant no change 40  $\mu\text{m}$

pellet: Temperature rise (center) / Surface pellet temperature rise  
( $\approx 1300\text{ K}$ ) / to  $\approx 800\text{ K}$

② Cladding: temperature constant  $\approx 650\text{ K}$

gap: <sup>small</sup> expansion to 55  $\mu\text{m}$ , no considerable change (from 40 to 55  $\mu\text{m}$ )

Pellet: { fuel center temperature rise above 1300 K  
surface temperature at  $\approx 800\text{ K}$   
densification may take place.

-1, Densification definitely took place

③ Cladding: temperature constant  $\approx 650\text{ K}$

gap: Reduce from 55  $\mu\text{m}$  to  $\approx 40\text{ }\mu\text{m}$  due to pellets expansion.

Pellet: { center: temperature slow decrease but still around 1250 K  
surface: temperature decrease from 800 K to 760 K

④ Cladding: temperature constant to 650 K

gap: Considerable decrease about 5  $\mu\text{m}$  due to pellet expansion and fission products release.

pellet: { center: Small bump in temperature but remain around 1300 K  
surface: temperature decreases around 700 K as burnup continues and the release of fission product with fuel expansion continues to take place.



Question 1

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Cladding: temperature constant  $\approx 650$  K (Pellet-clad interaction)

gap: decreased to 0 ~~Mean in contact~~  
(PCI): Pellet-clad interaction

pellet { Center: temperature increased to about 1350 K

{ surface: temperature around 700 K.

Pellet expansion, some in contact with clad.

-2, T increase due to decrease in fuel k with burnup

Question 2

-27, 3/30

a) fission gas diffusion coefficient

~~fission~~ i

$$\Phi = 2.0 \times 10^{13} \times 8 \times 10^{-4} = 16 \times 10^9 \text{ fission/cm}^2$$

-5,  $D = 8.94 \times 10^{-17} \text{ cm}^2/\text{s}$

b)  $0.317 \times 2.0 \times 10^{13} \times 365 \times 2 = 462.82 \times 10^{13} \text{ gas atoms/cm}^3$

-8,  $= 7.56 \times 10^{19} \text{ gas atoms/cm}^3$

c)  $N_{FG} = Y F \dot{t} =$

$$= 0.10 \times 2.0 \times 10^{13} \times 0.317 \times 730$$

$$= 46.3 \times 10^{13} \text{ gas atoms/cm}^3$$

-14, time? f?

Problem 3

-25, 5/30

a) oxide weight gain

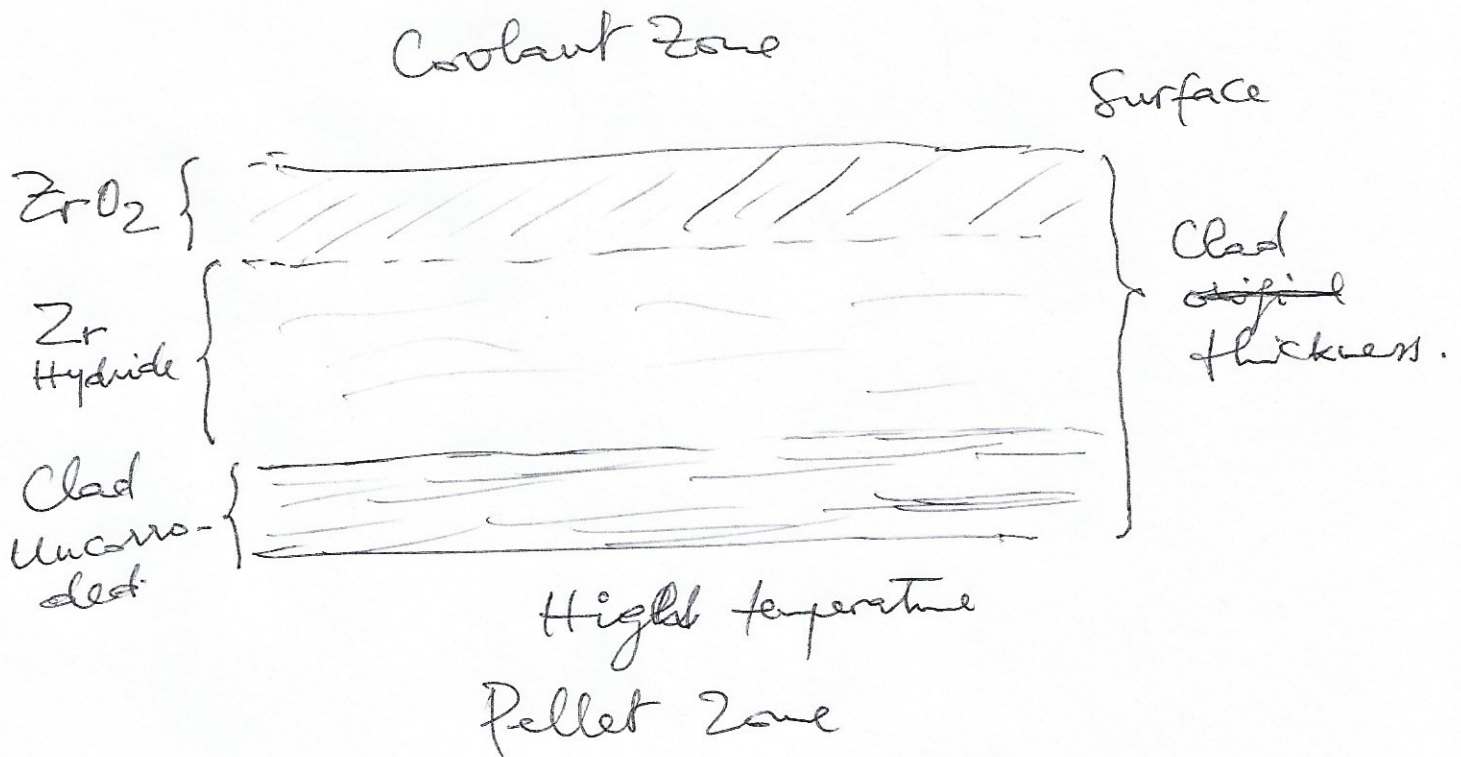
$$D_m = 2.23 \times 10^{-3} \times \exp\left(\frac{-7620}{600}\right) = 18 \text{ microns}$$

d) microstructure changes

-10, part a

-5, part b

-10, part c



-15, 0/15

-15, Problem 4?