

HW3

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① Σ_s of UO_2

# atoms $^{235}U = \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23}}{235} = 2.56 \times 10^{21} \rightarrow 2.55 \times 10^{22}$	2.53×10^{22} 7.53×10^{22} for $10g/cm^3$
# atoms $^{238}U = \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23}}{238} = 2.58 \times 10^{21} \rightarrow$	
# atoms $^{16}O = \frac{6.022 \times 10^{23}}{16} = 7.50 \times 10^{22}$	

Now must calculate enrichment factor

$$\gamma = \frac{N_{235}}{N_{238}} = \frac{2.56}{2.53} = 1.012$$

$$\sum_i \sigma_i N_i = \frac{(8.9 \times 10^{-27} \cdot 2.56 \times 10^{22}) + (8.9 \times 10^{-27} \cdot 2.53 \times 10^{22})}{2(7.5 \times 10^{-27} \cdot 7.53 \times 10^{22})}$$

$$= 0.228 + 0.225 + 5.645 = 6.100 \text{ barns multiply by } \gamma \text{ for total, } = \underline{\underline{6.17 \text{ barns}}}$$

-4pts: you can't just separate the components and use the density

-2pts: wrong units and answer; should be 0.366 cm^{-1}

②

a) Isotropic source, assume emitted spherically with radius R

$$\text{CDF: } C(r) = \frac{\int_0^r 4\pi r^2 dr}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} = \frac{\frac{4}{3}\pi r^3}{\frac{4}{3}\pi R^3} = \rho_1$$

$$\text{Invert CDF: } r = R \rho_1^{1/3}$$

Sample PDF assume uniform neutron transport

$$\rho(\theta, \phi) d\theta d\phi = \frac{\sin \theta d\theta}{2} \cdot \frac{d\phi}{2\pi}$$

 θ = polar angle ϕ = azimuthal angle

$$\text{let } \mu = \cos \theta = (1 - 2\rho_2) \text{ and } \theta = \cos^{-1}(1 - 2\rho_2)$$

-3pts: CDF for theta is off; using the substitution, you should get $\sqrt{1 - (2 \cdot RN - 1)}$; I can't see above because it is cut off, but below it isn't right

$$C(\phi) = \int_0^\phi \frac{d\phi}{2\pi} = \frac{\phi}{2\pi} = \rho_2 \quad \phi = 2\pi \rho_2$$

$$x = r \sin \theta \cos \phi = R \rho_1^{1/3} (1 - \mu^2)^{1/2} \cos(2\pi \rho_2)$$

$$y = r \sin \theta \sin \phi = R \rho_1^{1/3} (1 - \mu^2)^{1/2} \sin(2\pi \rho_2)$$

$$z = r \cos \theta = R \rho_1^{1/3} \mu$$

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-1pt: no R to define a direction

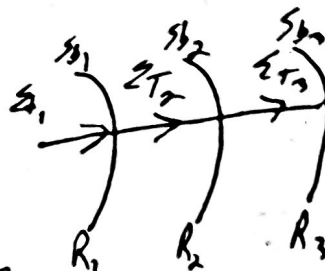
2b $\Sigma_T e^{-\Sigma_T s} ds$ $C(s) = \int_0^s \Sigma_T e^{-\Sigma_T s'} ds' = \frac{-\Sigma_T}{\Sigma_T} e^{-\Sigma_T s'} \Big|_0^s = 1 - e^{-\Sigma_T s}$

set $C(s) = \xi$ and solve for s : $\xi = 1 - e^{-\Sigma_T s}$

$$s = \frac{-\ln(1-\xi)}{\Sigma_T}$$

s_c = distance to collision

s_b = distance to boundary



For each random number,

if $s_c < s_b$, use Σ_T , otherwise move to next region and repeat for s_{c2} and s_{b2} , and so on

-2pts: Need to update sigma for each region.

2c See Jupyter notebook

-3 pts: Didn't run the algo from 2b and handle the interfaces.

2d $\Sigma_T = \Sigma_s + \Sigma_a$ $P(s) = \frac{\Sigma_s}{\Sigma_T}$ $P(y) = \frac{\Sigma_a}{\Sigma_T}$

s = scatter

a = absorption

For random number, if $> P(s)$, tally absorption, otherwise tally scattering

-4pts: Missing (n,f) and (n,n')

3a See text file

-1pt: see file

3b Dimensions: cylinder w/ radius = .41 cm, length = 400 cm
cylinder w/ radius = .42 cm, length = 400 cm
cylinder w/ radius = .48 cm, length = 400 cm
box w/ dimensions of 1.26 cm for L/W/H

Isotopic composition: ^{235}U , ^{238}U

Enrichment: 5% ^{235}U , 95% ^{238}U

3b continued

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Density

10.41 g/cm³ for Uranium Oxide

6.55 g/cm³ for Zirconium

0.7 g/cm³ for water

Cross sections:

UO₂ = 0.73 cm from ENDF 7, fission $\bar{\nu}$, prompt

H₂O = 0.7 cm ENDF 7 \rightarrow total cross section thermal

Zr = 0.58 cm ENDF 7 \rightarrow Fission Q library

3c) $k_{\text{inf}} = 1.3862$, supercritical

2) Average neutron flux in fuel, cladding, and moderator

Fuel = $6.9354 \times 10^{-2} \text{ } \frac{1}{\text{cm}^2}$

-2 pts: Always include uncertainty!

cladding = $6.9504 \times 10^{-2} \text{ } \frac{1}{\text{cm}^2}$

moderator: $6.9488 \times 10^{-2} \text{ } \frac{1}{\text{cm}^2}$

3) Average one group absorption + fission rates in fuel zone

Absorption: $2.74324 \times 10^{-2} \text{ } \frac{1}{\text{cm}^2}$

-2pts: I get an order of magnitude smaller;

Fission rate: $3.82242 \times 10^{-2} \text{ } \frac{1}{\text{cm}^2}$

3c 4) See Jupyter Notebook 3c 5-6) See text file and Jupyter notebook

4) See Jupyter notebook 3) c) 4) -1pts: Incorrect answer for two group

Calibration. Worked 1 & 2 with John Florio. Worked 2b - 3c with Major Freeman and Capt Chapman, who walked us through a lot of Problem 4 is from Ashwin because I could not figure it out on my own.

4) -2 pts: Answers are slightly off, but trend correctly.