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3. THERMAL EVALUATION

3.1 Discussion

The thermal evaluation of the GA-4 cask design considers normal and hypothetical accident conditions of transport as specified in 10 CFR Part 71. We have carried out extensive analytical modeling and testing to perform this evaluation. This section addresses the thermal design features of the cask, discusses thermal criteria, and summarizes the results of the thermal evaluation.

3.1.1 Design Features

Several aspects of the cask design and operation provide significant thermal advantages. The first of these is the mass of steel and depleted uranium (DU) used in the cask body, closure end, and gamma shielding. These materials provide a large heat sink for hypothetical accident conditions and help minimize peak temperatures, particularly for the containment seals. For normal conditions, the use of helium within the primary containment boundary and within the DU cavity enhances heat transfer out of the cask since helium provides a conductivity five times greater than nitrogen or air. Although the fuel support structure (FSS) primarily performs a mechanical function, it also serves as a set of internal
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J, provides convection heat transfer between the cask body and the outer shell (skin).

3.1.2 Thermal Criteria

Under normal conditions of transport, the maximum fuel cladding temperature must remain below 380°C (716°F), and the accessible package surface temperature with no solar radiation must not exceed 85°C (185°F), as specified in 10 CFR Part 71.43. The temperature history of the seals must indicate that the seals will continue to function and maintain containment integrity.

For other components the only criteria are that the temperatures must not exceed values which would compromise any required structural integrity.

3.1.3 Summary of Evaluation

We utilize ANSYS (Version 5.2), PATRAN Plus 2.4, and TAC2D (Version 0002) for the thermal evaluation. ANSYS is a general-purpose finite-element computer program that solves engineering problems in statics, dynamics, heat transfer, and fluid flow. PATRAN Plus (PATRAN) is a software package that provides solid geometry construction, finite-element modeling, and enhanced graphics. Our analysis uses PATRAN to construct the finite-element meshes for the thermal models and ANSYS to perform the actual heat transfer calculations. We employ the translator program PATANS 2.2 to interface between PATRAN and ANSYS. TAC2D is a general-purpose, finite-difference, two-dimensional heat transfer computer program. Models may be quickly set up, and output results are easily interpreted. The geometry of the model must conform to a rectangular, cylindrical, or circular coordinate system.

We use three main models in the thermal evaluation. For normal conditions of transport, we consider a TAC2D model of the whole cask, using cylindrical geometry (also used for the post-accident analysis). For the hypothetical accident thermal condition we use two models:

- A TAC2D model of the closure end, with a damaged end impact limiter, and a punch directly above the closure seal.
- A 3-D ANSYS model of the closure end, with the end impact limiter damaged and punched through the center.

We use all three models to predict temperatures for the thermal evaluation. In addition, we use the ANSYS model to provide a temperature distribution for the thermal stress analysis of the structural evaluation (see Section 2.7.3). The thermal stress analysis also provides an evaluation of the seal interface distortion for the containment analysis.

The evaluation also uses two local TAC2D models: a cross-section of the cask, and a spent fuel assembly for determining its effective thermal properties. Descriptions of these models are also included.

Results for the GA-4 cask design indicate that it meets all criteria for normal conditions of transport. Approximately 86% of the heat is dissipated through the neutron shield while 14% flows out the cask ends through the impact limiters. The maximum fuel cladding temper ature is 313°F, while the allowable is 716°F. We determined a maximum external surface temperature of 170°F with no solar radiation and this is within the criterion of 185°F set by 10 CFR Part 71.43 for accessible package surfaces in the shade. The maximum temperature of the seals is 135°F in the closure and 143°F for the drain. The selected seal material, ethylene propylene, can function at 300°F for 1000 hr, according to manufacturer's data. GA ₁ tested the seal and found it to be leaktight at –42°F, ambient (~75°F), and 250°F. The maximum temperature of the impact limiters is 135°F, while the aluminum honeycomb material has been qualified at 200°F.

For hypothetical accident conditions the analysis shows that the maximum primary seal temperature is 300°F. This includes the closure seal and the seal for the gas sample and drain ports. Manufacturer's data indicate the seal material can withstand a temperature of 350°F for 50 hr and 400°F for several hours. Using conditions more severe than those predicted by the analysis, we have tested the seal at $380^\circ F$, after heating for 1.5 hr above 350°F, and determined it to be leaktight. Therefore, the seal will function during the hypothetical accident thermal event. For the post-accident steady-state condition the maximum temperature of any seal is 175°F.

For the accident analysis the impact limiters are in place, since they are designed to remain attached following the drop and puncture events. Conservatively, the end of the impact limiter is damaged and punched directly above the seal. The test results, summarized in Section 2.10.13, demonstrate that the impact limiters remain in place and that the damage caused by the puncture event is less severe than modeled in the analysis. The neutron shield is assumed absent and replaced with air, but the neutron shield outer shell (skin) is intact.

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For the post-accident analysis the impact limiters and neutron shield outer shell (skin) are intact while the neutron shield is absent and replaced with air. This configuration maximizes steady-state temperatures.

The reference decay heat used in the analysis is 617 W per assembly, and we apply an axial power profile that results in a peaking factor of 1.24.

Table 3.1-1 gives maximum temperatures and pressures for cask components during normal and hypothetical accident conditions.

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(c)Maximum impact limiter bolt temperature = 1010°F.

3.2 Summary of Thermal Properties of Materials

Tables 3.2-1 and 3.2-2 provide a compilation of the thermal conductivity, density, and specific heat of the cask materials, while Table 3.2-3 gives the thermal radiation properties (emissivity and absorptivity). The emissivity of any material is a strong function of its surface characteristics and may be subject to considerable uncertainty. For the spent fuel assemblies (SFAs) a rod emissivity of 0.7 was used, and the emissivity of the cavity liner interior (shroud) was assumed to be 0.2. A review of other analytical as well as experimental work in SFA heat transfer (Refs. 3.2-11 through 3.2-15) shows that these are conservatively low values. Fuel rod emissivity values cited varied from 0.42 to 0.93, with the majority ranging from 0.7 to 0.9. Shroud emissivities were between 0.2 and 0.8, with the majority varying from 0.2 to 0.4.

For those cases in which a value of emissivity could not be readily determined or justified, the analysis assumed a conservatively low value of 0.2 for normal conditions' of transport, in which heat flows out of the cask, and 0.8 for hypothetical accident conditions, in which heat flows into the cask.

Frequently the thermal properties were not used directly as input to the thermal models but were used to calculate effective or composite thermal properties, which were then input. Section 3.6.1 gives these effective properties.

k = 3.6 + 5.32 x 10⁻³ T was used, based on a linear fit to the data of Ref. 3.2-4. T is °R.

 (b) Determined from thermal diffusivity data of Ref. 3.2-4.

(W)k = 5.438 x **10-3 +** 1.812 x **10-5** T, based on a fit to the data of Ref. 3.2-3. T is OR.

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with a maximum of 2% error in the range of 420 < T < 1460 (i.e., -40 to 1000° F). T is $^{\circ}$ R

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3.3 Technical Specifications of Components

The package components which are of concern from a thermal standpoint are the spent fuel assembly, the primary seals (which form part of the containment boundary), the neutron shielding material, and the impact limiters. Three seals constitute part of the containment boundary: the inner closure seal and gas sample port seal in the closure lid, and the drain seal at the bottom end.

During normal conditions of transport the fuel cladding temperature must not exceed 380°C (716°F). Temperature criteria for the seals are taken from Ref. 3.3-1. All seals are Parker E740-75 O-rings and use an ethylene propylene compound. This material has a lower temperature limit of $-\overline{65}^{\circ}$ F. For elevated temperatures, Fig. 3.3-1 gives the life-at-temperature curve (Ref. 3.3-1). Section 4.5.1 discusses full-scale testing of the closure seals.

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The honeycomb impact limiters are made from aluminum alloy 5052 and use adhesives which have been tested under normal condition structural loads at -20°F and 200°F (Section 2.10.3.5). The adhesive bond is not required to survive a hypothetical thermal accident.

Fig. 3.3-1. Seal life at various temperatures for ethylene propylene

3.4 Thermal Evaluation for Normal Conditions of Transport

Regulations in 10 CFR Part 71 specify that the package shall be evaluated for normal conditions of transport under both hot and cold ambient temperatures. The hot ambient temperature is 100°F, and for this case solar radiation and maximum decay heat must also be considered. The solar radiation is specified by 10 CFR Part 71.71 to be the following for a 12-hr period:

> 800 cal/cm² (2950 Btu/ \sharp ²) for horizontal surfaces. 200 cal/cm² (737 Btu/ft²) for flat surfaces not horizontal. 400 cal/cm² (1475 Btu/ft²) for curved surfaces.

The cold ambient temperature is -40°F with no solar radiation. Both maximum decay heat and zero decay heat must be considered. (Note that for zero decay heat, all temperatures will attain steady-state values of -40°F.)

3.4.1 Thermal Model

The thermal evaluation uses the TAC2D computer program, Version 0002 (Ref. 3.4-1). TAC2D is a finite-difference, two-dimensional heat transfer computer program. It solves steady-state and transient problems in rectangular, cylindrical, or circular coordinates.

The TAC2D model of the GA-4 cask is shown in Fig. 3.4-1. A cylindrical (r-z) coordinate system is assumed for the model. Where the actual boundaries are •square/round," the equivalent radial gridline location for the model is computed on the basis of equal perimeters. (See Section 3.6.6.)

The following sections discuss other general aspects of the thermal model:

- 1. Effective Thermal Properties. A detailed, explicit representation of all cask components is not feasible. Therefore it is necessary to use composite or effective thermal properties in the models. The calculation of effective thermal properties follows two general procedures. One is to combine two modes of heat transfer (typically conduction and thermal radiation) into a single effective thermal conductivity. Another procedure is to treat two or more materials as a single composite material. The prime example utilizing these two procedures is the combination of the spent fuel assemblies (SFAs), fuel support structure (FSS) and boron carbide pellets. Section 3.6.1 lists effective thermal properties for normal and hypothetical accident conditions. Detailed derivations are provided in Section 3.6.5.
- 2. Gaps. The gaps between the liner and DU and between the DU and cask body shown in Fig. 3.4-1 are filled with helium. Since TAC2D does not permit circumferential variation, model gap thicknesses are computed based on averaging the true gaps around the circumference. Section 3.6.7 presents these calculations.

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Fig. 3.4-1. TAC2D model for normal conditions

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3. Decay Heat. The GA-4 cask design basis decay heat is 617 W per assembly and is distributed according to the axial power profile of Fig. 3.4-2. The axial power profile gives a peaking factor of 1.24. The decay heat and profile are based on use of the ORIGEN-S computer code, as discussed in Section 5.2, and assume 35 GWd/MTU bumup, 10-yr cooling, and a conservative enrichment of 3 percent. Section 3.6.8 provides the adaptafion of the axial power profile to the TAC2D input.

Ref. 3.4-2 shows that the peaking factor decreases with increasing bumup. That is, the axial power profile becomes flatter. Therefore, the curve used is conservative for bumups higher than 35 GWd/MTU.

- 4. Boundary Conditions. During transport, heat transfer from the external surface to ambient assumes combined natural convection and thermal radiation. For an ambient temperature of 100°F and a skin temperature of 175°F, a typical combined coefficient is 1.1 Btu/hr-ft²-°F. Correlations for natural convection and thermal radiation are given in Section 3.6.2.
- 5. Solar Radiation. Using the data of 10 CFR Part 71.71 and the solar absorptivity from Table 3.2-3, we compute the rate of absorbed solar radiation on external surfaces required for the TAC2D model. For the flat ends of the impact limiters, the rate of absorbed solar radiation is calculated as the total 12-hour vertical surface value (from 10 CFR Part 71.71) multiplied by the absorptivity and averaged over 24 hours.

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q_{flat, impact\,limiter} = \frac{(737)(0.6)}{24} = 18.4 \frac{Btu}{hr - ft^2}.
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A similar procedure is used for the curved surfaces of the impact limiter and for the outer skin

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q_{\text{curved, impact limiter}} = \frac{(1475)(0.6)}{24} = 36.9 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr-ft}^2}, \text{ and}
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q_{\text{outer skin}} = \frac{(1475)(0.4)}{24} = 24.6 \frac{\text{Btu}}{\text{hr-ft}^2}.
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6. Neutron Shield. Heat transfer through the [$_{\text{into.}}^{\text{Prop.}}$] neutron shield is modeled on the basis of [**Proprietary Information**] Section 3.6.2 gives the Proprietary Information correlation.

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Distance from bottom of active fuel (in.)

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3.4.2 Maximum Temperatures

Figure 3.4-3 provides a steady-state temperature map of the cask under conditions of 100°F ambient, decay heat with axial power profile, and solar radiation. Fig. 3.4-4 plots axial temperature profiles along the length of the fuel cavity. In this plot, the curves bear the following relationship to the temperature map of Fig. 3.4-3:

where J is the axial index (9-36 in Fig. 3.4-3). The first five equations are derived in Section 3.6.9. The others are self-explanatory and are taken directly from Fig. 3.4-3. [

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Figure. 3.4-5 gives a temperature history of the cask components for a transient situation in which the cask goes from a uniform loading temperature of 100°F to hot normal transport conditions. Note that the cask achieves steady-state conditions in about 100 hours. We produce these results with the same TAC2D model as used for steady-state.

Table 3.4-1 summarizes maximum and average component temperatures. These temperatures are used to compare with allowables and to calculate thermal growth and stresses in Section 2.6.1.

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Figure 3.4-6 gives a temperature history of the cask components for a transient situation in which the cask goes from a uniform loading temperature of 1 00°F to transport conditions at -40°F ambient with maximum decay heat. However, the minimum cask temperatures occur with no decay heat and will eventually all attain -40°F.

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Fig. 3.4-3. Temperatures (°F) for TAC2D model (hot normal conditions)

Distance from cavity bottom (in.)

Fig. 3.4-4. Axial temperature profiles (hot normal conditions)

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Time (hr)

Fig. 3.4-5. Temperatures for normal transient (hot conditions)

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Time (hr)

Fig. 3.4-6. Temperatures for normal transient (cold conditions)

3.4.4 Maximum Internal Pressures

The maximum normal operating pressure (MNOP) for the GA-4 cask results from three sources: (1) cavity temperature increase, and under the assumed condition of 100% rod cladding failure, (2) release of initial fill pressure, and (3) release of gas fission products.

We analyze all the spent fuel element types identified in Section 1.2.3, Contents of Packaging. The B&W 15 x 15 Mark B fuel element gives the highest MNOP of 74 psig (89 psia) for the GA-4 cask. At -20 °F, the maximum internal pressure is 42 psig (57 psia). Calculations are given in Section 3.6.3.

3.4.5 Maximum Thermal Stresses

The calculation of thermal stresses is given in Section 2.6.1 and uses the information of Table 3.4-1. Temperature gradients through the cavity liner and cask body wall are very small (≤ 2°F).

3.4.6 Evaluation of Package Performance for Normal Conditions of Transport

Table 3.4-1 shows that all component temperatures for the case of 100°F ambient are within design limits. The maximum cladding temperature of 313°F is well below the allowable of 716°F. The maximum outer skin temperature is 170°F with no solar radiation, so the criterion of 185°F maximum in the shade set by 10 CFR 71.43 is satisfied. The maximum temperature of the closure and gas sample port seals, 135°F, is well within the limit of 300°F at which the ethylene propylene can function for 1000 hr. The same is true for the drain seal at 143°F. At the opposite end the minimum seal temperature of -40°F is above the lowtemperature limit of -65°F. Performance of the seals at normal-condition temperatures is verified by testing at temperatures of -42°F, ambient (-75°F), and 250°F (Section 4.5.1). For the impact limiters, the maximum temperature of 135°F is below the 200°F at which the impact limiters were tested.

Figure 3.4-7 shows the temperature difference between the FSS/iiner and DU during hot and cold normal transients. (Since the FSS and liner are welded together, these two components will behave structurally as a unit.) Maximum decay heat is used for hot condi tions, and zero decay heat for cold conditions. The figure shows that for hot conditions the maximum temperature difference occurs at steady-state conditions. Therefore, calculating the gap size at steady-state conditions, as done in Table 2.6-2, gives the minimum gap. For cold conditions, the temperature difference peaks within 20 hr, but is less than 10°F. At steady state, the temperature difference is 0.

Fig. 3.4-7. Temperature difference between FSSIliner and DU

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3.5 Hypothetical Accident Thermal Evaluation

For hypothetical accident conditions, 10 CFR Part 71.73 states that the package must be exposed for at least 30 min to an environment whose temperature is 800°C (1475°F). The environment emissivity must be 0.9 and the surface absorptivity of the package must be 0.8, or larger if expected. Convection must be accounted for on the basis of exposing the pack age to a fire of the given temperature. No artificial cooling is to be applied to the package after the 30 min of exposure. Initial conditions must be based on $100^{\circ}F$ ambient with maximum decay heat or -20°F ambient with no decay heat, whichever is worse.

3.5.1 Thermal Models

In addition to TAC2D, we use the ANSYS (Version 5.2, Ref. 3.5-1) and PATRAN Plus (Ref. 3.5-2) codes. ANSYS is a general-purpose finite-element program for structural and thermal problems. PATRAN Plus (PATRAN) provides solid geometry construction, finite element modeling, and enhanced graphics. We use PATRAN to prepare the meshes for ANSYS (the preprocessing phase). To interface between the two programs, the analysis employs the PATANS translator program, Version 2.2 (Ref. 3.5-3). We develop three analytical models to analyze the cask under accident and post-accident conditions. Section 3.6.1 gives effective thermal properties for these models.

3.5.1.1 TAC2D Models.

3.5.1.1.1 Accident Transient. Figure 3.5-1 shows the TAC2D model for calculating the cask temperatures during the accident. For this situation we consider only the portion of the cask from the axial midpoint to the closure. Restricting the scope of the model allows a much finer grid spacing to adequately handle the expected thermal gradients without using an excessive number of gridlines.

The model assumes the neutron shield is absent and replaced with air. The neutron shield outer shell (skin) is intact and natural convection and radiation occur across the air space. We assume the cask to be vertically oriented to maximize the natural convection. We take credit for the structural integrity of the impact limiters because they are designed to remain attached. (Test results in Section 2.10.13 confirm this.) However, as a result of the drop and puncture events, the thickness of the impact limiter at the closure end is reduced from 23 to 7.5 in. (see Section 3.5.2), and we allow for a 6-in.-diameter hole completely through this impact limiter directly over the closure seals. We assume the comer impact limiter thickness to be reduced by the same amount $(23 - 7.5 = 15.5 \text{ in.})$ in the same direction. We simulate damage from an end (rather than a comer or side) drop because this would provide the most direct thermal path from the accident environment (1475°F) to the closure seals.

An inherent and significant conservatism in this approach lies in the fact that, because of the axisymmetric model, the 6-in.-diameter hole is actually a 6 -in.-wide "ring." (See inset, Fig. 3.5-1.) As a result, the closure surface area exposed to the accident (426 in.²) is about 15 times greater than a 6-in.-diameter hole, and more than twice the largest exposed area that GA-4 Cask SARP

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could be created by the punch, as shown in Section 3.5.1.2. The hole size as modeled is also considerably larger than that obtained by the puncture test (Section 2.10.13), an area approximately 3 in. \times 7.5 in. (22.5 in.²).

We use initial conditions for a hot (100°F) ambient with maximum decay heat and no solar radiation. To generate an initial temperature distribution, we obtain a steady-state case using a slight modification of the accident model. (Temperatures determined by the normal condition TAC2D model cannot be imposed as initial temperatures on the accident model because the nodes for the two models are not in the same locations.) Prior to the accident there is no damage to the cask, and for the initial-condition case we thus replace the *hole" with impact limiter material. We maintain the impact limiter thickness at 7.5 in. but alter its thermal conductivity so that the conductance reflects an initial undamaged state. By using the correct conductance, we produce initial temperatures that match those that would be obtained from a model with an undamaged impact limiter.

We determine the extemal heat transfer coefficient during the accident and cooldown on the basis of convection and radiation. During the 30-min exposure we use a forced convection coefficient of 2.0 Btu/hr-ft²- ϵ F, which is based on an external velocity of 20 ft/s. We calculate the radiation portion to be between 13 and 36 Btu/hr-ft²-°F, depending on the surface temperature. Correlations are given in Section 3.6.2.

3.5.1.1.2 Post-Accident Steady-State. To calculate post-accident maximum temperatures, we use the model for normal conditions of transport (Fig. 3.4-1) but replace the neutron shield with air. The outer skin is intact. Heat transfer across the air space occurs by natural convection and radiation. No other damage is assumed.

As with normal conditions of transport, the analysis uses the decay heat of 4 PWR spent fuel assemblies with 617 W per assembly, solar radiation, and an ambient temperature of 100° F.

3.5.1.2 ANSYS Model. Figure 3.5-2 shows the ANSYS model geometry, materials, and dimensions, while Fig. 3.5-3 shows the finite-element mesh. This model is constructed specifically to provide temperatures for the corresponding thermal stress analysis in Section 2.7.3. The model is a **1/8** section of the cask and extends axially from a point 18 in. below the impact limiter support structure to the closure end. The distance of 18 in. is sufficiently long to adequately model any thermal effects the cask body might exert on the closure end. Components included in the model are the cask body, gamma shield, cavity liner, flange, closure, impact limiters, and impact limiter support structure. We do not consider the spent fuel assemblies and fuel support structure. The cavity's inner surface is therefore an adiabatic boundary during the thermal accident.

As with the TAC2D model, we assume the end impact limiter to be reduced to 7.5 in. For the puncture damage, thermal stresses in the closure will increase with the size of the hole in the impact limiter. The largest possible area that can be created by a 6-in. bar is a diagonal gash across the cask closure. Since only a **1/8** section of the cask is modeled, the total closure area exposed by the gash is calculated and converted to an equivalent-area square hole centered on the closure. See Fig. 3.5-4.

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Fig. 3.5-4. Modeling of closure area exposed by puncture

We use the ANSYS model with both hot and cold (-20°F) initial conditions to find the worst case for the thermal stresses. Initial temperatures for the hot condition assume a uniform temperature of 120°F, based on the results at the TAC2D model for normal conditions with maximum decay heat but neglecting solar radiation. This is essentially the closure temperature under these conditions. For a cold initial condition there is no decay heat, and the initial temperature distribution is therefore -20° F.

Heat transfer coefficients during the hypothetical accident are calculated with the same correlations used for the TAC2D model.

3.5.2 Package Conditions and Environment

In order to maximize the effect of the damage on the primary closure seals, the transient analysis assumes an end drop precedes the thermal event. GACAP analysis has shown that the distance of travel for the end impact limiter with an end drop is 11.5 in. (Table 2.10.4-10). From the results of the quarter-scale impact limiter tests, if sufficient load is applied to cause the end impact limiter to "bottom out," the travel is 17 in. (same table), and the remaining $23 - 17 = 6$ in. is crushed material. Thus, if the travel is 11.5 in., the amount d_c of crushed material remaining is given by:

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\frac{d_c}{11.5} = \frac{6}{17}
$$

or

 $d_c = 4$ in.

This leaves $23 - 11.5 - 4 = 7.5$ in. of uncrushed material. This thickness is therefore used for the end impact limiter, and we conservatively neglect the thermal resistance and capacitance of the crushed material. The axial thickness of the comer impact limiter is reduced by the same amount, i.e., $23 - 7.5 = 15.5$ in.

Other damage to the package has been discussed in the previous section.

3.5.3 Package Temperatures

Figure 3.5-5 presents transient temperature plots as produced with the TAC2D model. Since the model considers the impact limiter puncture directly over the seal and begins with hot initial conditions, the peak seal temperature represents the maximum encountered in the thermal accident. The gas sample port seal is located at a depth further into the closure, in both the radial and axial directions, than the primary closure seal. It will therefore see a maximum temperature lower than will the primary closure seal. The primary drain seal is located in the bottom plate. Although the bottom end is not included in the TAC2D model, this seal is situated in approximately the same radial position as the primary closure seal and at an axial depth about 1 in. further into the bottom plate than the primary closure seal is into the closure. Thus the primary drain seal will also see a peak temperature lower than will the closure seal. Table 3.5-1 gives maximum temperatures for the seals, average cavity gas, and containment boundary. Additional results are given in Table 3.1-1.

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Fig. 3.5-5. TAC2D model temperatures for hypothetical accident conditions
Melting of the aluminum honeycomb impact limiters is not considered in these results. Although the thermal models predict that temperatures of these components may exceed their melting point $(-1100^{\circ}F)$, the assumption that the impact limiters remain intact and solid has been shown to be acceptable. (See Section 3.6.4.1.)

The post-accident steady state analysis shows that the maximum seal temperature, considering the damaged state described in Section 3.5.1.1.2, is 175 \degree F (primary drain seal) and the maximum cavity gas temperature is 324°F. These are less than the peak temperatures for the transient. Figure 3.5-6 provides a temperature map for the post-accident steady state.

3.5.4 Maximum Internal Pressures

The maximum intemal pressure during hypothetical accident conditions results from an increase in cavity temperature. Using the maximum average cavity temperature of 360°F, we calculate a maximum internal pressure of 90 psig (105 psia) in Section 3.6.3.

3.5.5 Maximum Thermal Stresses

The analysis to predict thermal stresses and thermal-induced distortion of the closure and flange seal interface used the ANSYS model described in Section 3.5.1. We impose the temperature distributions from this model as loads on a separate structural model and use the ANSYS capability to interpolate between finite-element meshes. The structural model uses a mesh more appropriate for stress calculations and eliminates those components that are of no interest structurally.

Sections 2.7.3 and 2.10.12 give results of the thermal stress analysis and a description of the structural model.

3.5.6 Evaluation of Package Performance for Hypothetical Accident Thermal Conditions

Referring to Table 3.5-1, the maximum primary closure seal temperature during the hypothetical accident is 300°F. This temperature may conservatively be used for all containment seals. The sealing ability of an elastomeric gasket is typically a function of its time-at-temperature history. The manufacturer's data for the seal material (Section 3.3) indicate that it can function for 1000 hr at 300°F and for 50 hr at 350°F. In addition, we have tested the seal at 380°F, after heating for 1.5 hr above 350°F, and have shown that it will function under these conditions (Section 4.5.1), which are more severe than those predicted by the analysis.

For the post-accident steady-state, the maximum seal and average cavity gas temperatures are well within the values of Table 3.5-1.

The thermal analysis and testing thus demonstrates that the package will perform satisfactorily during hypothetical thermal accident conditions and will maintain containment integrity.

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Fig. 3.5-6. Temperatures (°F) for post-accident steady state

TABLE 3.5-1 MAXIMUM TEMPERATURES FOR THERMAL ACCIDENT CONDITIONS

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3.6 Appendix

3.6.1 Effective Thermal Properties

This section lists the effective thermal properties used in the analytical models. Unless stated otherwise, detailed derivations are given in Section 3.6.5.1. The following definitions are used in this section:

 k_{He} = helium conductivity (Table 3.2-1),

 k_{Air} = air conductivity (Table 3.2-1),

 k_{Steel} = XM-19 steel conductivity (Table 3.2-1),

 k_{NS} = neutron shield conductivity (Table 3.2-2),

 $f(T_1, T_2) = (T_1^2 + T_2^2)(T_1 + T_2)$ where T_1 and T_2 are boundary temperatures (absolute).

Pr **=** Prandtl number,

Gr **=** Grashof number,

 h_{rad} = 4 σ (0.667) T³ (T is local absolute temperature), and

 $\sigma = 1.714 \times 10^{-9}$ Btu/hr-ft²-°R⁴.

All thermal conductivities (k) are expressed in Btu/hr-ft-°F and volumetric specific heats (ρc_n) in Btu/ft³-°F unless stated otherwise. The subscripts x, y, z, and r refer to coordinate directions, with r being radial. Wherever k is expressed as a function of temperature T, the temperature is assumed to be in degrees Rankine (°R), unless otherwise indicated.

3.6.1.1 TAC2D Model, Section 3.4 (Normal Conditions).

1. Spent fuel assembly

 k_r = 2.5 k_{He} + 2.106 x 10⁻¹⁰ T³, and

 $k_7 = 2.4$.

2. Gap between fuel assembly and enclosure (FSS or liner)

 $k = k_{He} + 2.461 \times 10^{-11}$ T³.

3. Fuel support structure/ B_4C

 $k = 5.50$ (parallel to axis of holes and B_4C pellets), and

 $= 2.71$ (normal to axis of holes).

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4. Spent fuel assembly/fuel support structure/ $B_{4}C$ (combining materials 1 and 3) k_r = 1.46 [0.966(2.5 k_{He} + 2.106 x 10⁻¹⁰ T³) + 0.033 (5.50)], k_z = 1.97 active fuel zone 0.868 cladding only, and $pc_p = 12.7$. 5. Void space at cavity ends (helium/steel) k_r = 0.966 k_{Hg} + 0.033 k_{steady} k_z = 0.761 k_{He} + 0.054 k_{steel} , and $pc_p = 12.7$. 6. Cavity liner Use steel properties. 7. DU Increase k_z and ρ by factor of 1.13 from the values in Table 3.2-1. 8. Cask body Use steel properties. 9. Neutron shield $p.27$ k_r = 0.0957 k_{NS} $\frac{P_1}{1.28 \cdot R_2}$ (See Section 3.6.2.1) kz and **pCp** use basic properties from Table 3.2-2. 10. Outer skin Use steel properties. 11. Closure, flange, and bottom plate $k_r = k_{\text{steach}}$ k_z = $f k_{\text{steel}}$, and

$$
\rho c_p = f(\rho c_p)_{\text{steel}};
$$

where

 $f = 0.799$ bottom $6"$ closure, 1.057 flange, 0.913 top 5" closure, and

0.915 bottom plate. 12. Impact limiter support structures (See Section 3.6.5.2 for derivation.) Top: $k_r = 0.220 k_{\text{steel}}$ k_{z} = 0.0943 k_{steel} , and $pc_p = 13.5 + 0.706 (pc_p)_{NS}$ hot conditions, 13.5 cold conditions. Bottom: $k_r = 0.165 k_{\text{steel}}$ $k_{\rm z}$ = 0.0742 $k_{\rm steel}$, and $pc_p = 11.0 + 0.782 (pc_p)_{NS}$. 13. Impact limiters (See Section 3.6.5.2 for derivation. Top and bottom impact limiters are identical.) Inner side: $k_r = 5.0$, k_7 = 1.5, and $pc_p = 2.31$. Outer side: $k_r = 3.77$, $k_z = 1.13$, and $pc_p = 1.74$. Corner: $k_r = 0.952$, k_7 = 1.65, and $pc_p = 0.717$. End: $k_r = 1.5$, k_z = 5.0, and $pc_p = 2.31$.

3.6.1.2 TAC2D Model, Section 3.5 (Accident Conditions).

Properties are identical to those in 3.6.1.1 except as noted below:

1. Spent fuel assembly/FSS/B₄C

A radiation term 2.90 x 10^{-10} T³ is added to k_z.

2. Neutron shield

The neutron shield is replaced with air using a natural convection correlation for a vertical annulus (transient) or a horizontal annulus (post-accident steady state). See Section 3.6.2.

3. Impact limiter support structure (top)

$$
k_r = F_1 k_{\text{steel}} + F_2 k_{\text{air}} + F_3 h_{\text{rad}}
$$

$$
k_{z} = G k_{\text{steel}}
$$

Table 3.6.1-1 gives the values of F_i , G, and ρc_p .

4. Impact limiters

Inner side: A radiation term 0.0395 σ f(T_1 , T_2) is added to k_r; Outer side: A radiation term 0.0687 σ f(T_1 , T_2) is added to k_r; Corner: $k_r = 0.952 + 0.05 \sigma f(T_1, T_2)$ accident, 2.29 k_2 = 1.65 + 0.05 σ f(T₁, T₂) 0.688 $pc_p = 1.73;$ k_r = 1.50 4.60 k_7 = 5.0 + 0.042 σ f(T₁, T₂) 1.63 $pc_p = 7.08$. initial conditions, accident, initial conditions, and accident, initial conditions, accident, initial conditions, and End:

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3.6.1.3 ANSYS Model, Section 3.5 (Accident Conditions).

1. Impact limiter support structure.

Properties are given in Table 3.6.1-2. Conductivities are identical to those for the TAC2D model. Differences in heat capacity reflect differences in model volumes. See Section 3.5.1.2.

2. Impact limiters.

These properties are identical to those given in Section 3.6.1.2 for the TAC2D model, except that the radiation term $\sigma f(T_1, T_2) = \sigma (T_1^2 + T_2^2)(T_1 + T_2)$ in the thermal conductivity is replaced by the alternate expression $4\sigma T^3$ in terms of the local temperature.

3.6.2 Convection and Radiation Heat Transfer Correlations

3.6.2.1 Normal Conditions, TAC2D Model.

1. Natural convection - exterior surfaces

$$
h = C\left(\frac{k}{d}\right) (Gr Pr)^n, \tag{Eq. 3.6.2-1}
$$

where

h = heat transfer coefficient,

- $k =$ thermal conductivity of air,
- d characteristic length,

Gr Grashof number, and

Pr = Prandtl number.

C, n, and d are determined according to the following table (Ref. 3.6.2-1). The maximum value of h, as determined by either the laminar or turbulent correlation, is used.

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3. Thermal radiation

$$
q'' = \sigma \mathcal{F}_{1-2}(\Gamma_1^4 - \Gamma_2^4), \text{ and}
$$

\n
$$
h = \frac{q''}{T_1 - T_2} = \sigma \mathcal{F}_{1-2}(\Gamma_1^2 + T_2^2)(T_1 + T_2);
$$

where

q" = heat flux,

a = Stefan-Boltzmann constant,

 $\mathcal{F}_{1,\mathcal{F}}$ interchange factor,

 T_1 = temperature of surface 1, and

 $T₂$ = temperature of surface 2.

The interchange factor is computed as:

$$
\mathcal{F}_{1\text{-}2} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\epsilon_1} + \frac{A_1}{A_2} \left(\frac{1-\epsilon_2}{\epsilon_2} \right)} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\epsilon_1} + \frac{1}{\epsilon_2} - 1} \text{ for small gaps } (A_1 = A_2).
$$

If surface 1 is external and surface 2 is the environment, $A_1/A_2 \ll 1$, and

 $\mathcal{F}_{1-2} = \varepsilon_1$.

3.6.2.2 Accident Conditions, TAC2D and ANSYS Models.

1. Forced convection - exterior surfaces (0 to 30 min, heating phase)

$$
h = C\left(\frac{k}{d}\right)Re^{n};
$$
 (Ref. 3.6.2-4)

where

 $Re =$ Reynolds number, $d = 40$ in., $C = 0.0239$, and $n = 0.805$.

The Reynolds number is calculated on the basis of an assumed velocity of 20 ft/sec for the gas in the fire. Using the above correlation, h ranges between 1.6 and 2.1 Btu/hr-ft²-°F. We use an average value of 2.0.

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3. Thermal radiation (heating and cooldown).

We use the same correlation as for normal conditions. For external surfaces during the heating phase, $\varepsilon_1 = 0.8$ or 0.85 (see Table 3.2-3) surface and $\varepsilon_2 =$ 0.9 (fire environment). Thus,

$$
\mathcal{F}_{1\text{-}2} = \frac{1}{\frac{1}{1.8} + \frac{1}{1.9} - 1} = 0.735 \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{1}{\frac{1}{1.85} + \frac{1}{1.9} - 1} = 0.777.
$$

During the cooldown portion, $\varepsilon_2 = 1.0$. Thus $\mathcal{F}_{1-2} = \varepsilon_1$.

4. Natural convection (external surfaces, cooldown phase)

$$
h = \frac{k}{d} \left[C_1 + 0.387 \left(\frac{Gr \text{ Pr}}{\left[1 + (C_2/Pt)^{9/16} \right]^{16/9}} \right)^{1/6} \right];
$$
 (Ref. 3.6.2-1)

where

 C_1 = 0.825 vertical surfaces, 0.600 horizontal surfaces,

 C_2 = 0.492 vertical surfaces, and 0.559 horizontal surfaces.

^S**5.** Combined coefficient (external surfaces, cooldown phase).

A single coefficient is used that combines the effects of natural convection and radiation. The natural convection coefficient given in the preceding section is relatively insensitive to surface orientation (horizontal or vertical) and characteristic dimension d. The combined coefficient is then a function only of surface and environment temperatures $(T_s$ and T_e). It is given in the following table:

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3.6.3 Maximum Internal Pressure Calculation

The calculations were based on the following assumptions:

- 1. Fuel data from Ref. 3.6.3-1 and 3.6.3-2.
- 2. Maximum bumup = 60,000 MWd/MTU.
- 3. Fission gas inventory determined from Ref. 3.6.3-1 database using 20-yr cooled fuel.

4. 30% fission gas release for normal and accident conditions.

5. 100% failure of fuel rod cladding for normal and accident conditions.

- 6. Cask backfilled with helium to 14.7 psia.
- 7. Temperature when cask closed = 70° F.

Tables 3.6.3-1 through 3.6.3-4 show internal pressures as calculated for all fuel assemblies that fit the description of the contents of packaging in Section 1.2.3. (The calculations also include some 16x16 and 17x17 assemblies, which are not currently part of the authorized contents.) The items in boldface are input to the spreadsheet, while those in regular type are calculated. For conservatism, non-fuel assembly hardware in the form of control rod and spider assemblies is included, reducing the available void volume. The only exception to this is the CE 15x15 Palisades assembly, which uses a cruciform control assembly that cannot be carried by the GA-4 cask. The tables show that the B&W 15x15 assembly gives the largest maximum normal operating pressure (MNOP) at 74 psig as well as the largest internal pressure for accident conditions at 90 psig.

The formulas used to perform the calculations in the spreadsheet are shown in Table 3.6.3-5 using the example of the B&W 15x15. In rows 39 and 40 the following constants are used:

TABLE 3.6.3-1 INTERNAL PRESSURE FOR B&W ASSEMBLIES

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TABLE 3.6.3-2 INTERNAL PRESSURE FOR CE ASSEMBLIES

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TABLE 3.6.3-3 INTERNAL PRESSURE FOR EXXON ASSEMBLIES

TABLE 3.6.3-4 INTERNAL PRESSURE FOR WE ASSEMBLIES

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TABLE 3.6.3-5 FORMULAS USED FOR INTERNAL PRESSURE CALCULATION

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49 Press. @ accident temp (psig) .(F47+14.7)*(F46+460)/(F44+460)-14.7

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3.6.4 Other Thermal Considerations

3.6.4.1 Melting of Impact Limiters. We consider a modification of the TAC2D model of Section 3.5.1.1 to check the effect of melting of the aluminum honeycomb impact limiters. See Fig. 3.6.4-1. The melting model assumes that the 0.04-in. steel skin surrounding the impact limiters remains intact except in the vicinity of the puncture where it would be tom off. Therefore, we assume the skin to be absent from the entire end impact limiter. Impact limiter material retaining a skin is replaced with air after it melts, and the heat transfer across the void occurs by convection and thermal radiation. Impact limiter material without a skin is simply replaced by the fire environment upon melting (as in ablation).

The melting point of the aluminum 5052 alloy is 1100 \degree F (Ref. 3.2-9) and the latent heat of fusion is taken to be 171 Btu/Ib (Ref. 3.6.4-1). The specific heat during melting is theoretically infinite as the material absorbs the latent heat of fusion at a constant temperature. For numerical purposes a finite temperature interval of ±10°F about the melting point is taken within which the material was considered to be melting. The effective **Al** specific heat during melting is thus:

$$
c_p = \frac{\Delta h}{\Delta T} = \frac{171}{20} = 8.55 \text{ Btu/h-}^{\circ}\text{F}.
$$

Results for the hypothetical accident with melting impact limiters show that the peak seal and average cavity temperatures are virtually the same as if melting is not considered (i.e., $-1^{\circ}F$ difference). See Fig. 3.6.4-2. This occurs because the impact limiter absorbs heat during melting and the void regions present a thermal resistance. The assumption of no melting is therefore acceptable.

3.6.4.2 Verification of Fuel Assembly Temperature Method. The method used to calculate fuel assembly temperatures compares favorably to test data and also to the Wooten-Epstein correlation as shown below.

3.6.4.2.1 Test Data Comparison. Reference 3.6.4-2 presents experimental measurements of temperatures of standard Westinghouse 15x15 spent fuel assemblies in a 21-assembly PWR storage cask. Test run 4 utilized helium as the backfill with the cask in a horizontal configuration. Using the HYDRA (thermal analysis computer code) post-test predictions to fill in the temperatures between the data points (Fig. 5-21 of Ref. 3.6.4-2), the peak clad temperature was found to be 375°C (707°F) (assembly A1) and the corresponding enclosure temperature was 353°C (667°F). The decay heat for the assembly with these temperatures was 1 kW (3413 Btu/hr) over a 12-ft active length, or 284.4 Btu/hr-ft.

Using the GA method, the maximum rod temperature for this configuration would be calculated as follows.

Temperature rise across the gap from enclosure to edge of assembly (ΔT_2) :

$$
\Delta T_2 = \frac{Q' \Delta x}{k_g P},
$$

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Fig. 3.6.4-1. TAC2D model with melting impact limiters

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Fig. 3.6.4-2. Comparison of results for melting impact limiters

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where

 Q' = heat rate per unit length = 284.4 Btu/hr-ft,

$$
\Delta x =
$$
 gap from wall to assembly edge = 0.1745 in.,

 k_q = gap (helium and radiation) conductivity, and

$$
P = average wall perimeter = 4 \times 8.6 = 34.4
$$
 in.

From Section 3.6.1.1, the gap conductivity evaluated at 667°F = 1127°R is 0.181 Btu/hr-ft-°F. Thus:

$$
\Delta T_2 = 8\text{°F}.
$$

For heat generation in a square assembly, the temperature rise ΔT_1 from the edge to the center is (Ref. 3.6.4-3):

$$
\Delta T_1 = \frac{0.294q''' L^2}{k_{fa}},
$$

where q''' is the heat generation per unit volume, L is the half-side length, and k_{fa} is the fuel assembly effective conductivity. Since $Q' = (2L)^2 q''$,

$$
\Delta T_1 = \frac{0.0735Q'}{k_{\text{fa}}}.
$$

Using the spent fuel assembly k_r from Sec. 3.6.1.1 and evaluating at the mean assembly temperature $0.5^*(707 + 667 + 8) = 691^{\circ}\text{F} = 1151^{\circ}\text{R}$, we obtain $k_r = k_{fa} = 0.692$ Btu/hr-ft-°F. Thus:

$$
\Delta T_1 = 30.2^{\circ}F.
$$

The center temperature is predicted to be $667 + 8 + 30 = 705$ °F, in good agreement with the measured value.

3.6.4.2.2 Wooten-Epstein Comparison. The Wooten-Epstein (WE) correlation was developed for spent fuel assemblies in air, whereas the GA method presumes helium. In order to facilitate a meaningful comparison, the GA method will be converted to an air medium. We will assume a 15 x 15 assembly with a rod pitch of 0.563 in. The decay heat will be taken as 617 W over an active length of 12 ft. A typical enclosure temperature of 250°F is used.

1. WE Method

$$
q'' = \sigma \left[\frac{C_1}{\frac{1}{\epsilon_1} + \frac{1}{\epsilon_2} - 1} \right] \left(T_1^4 - T_2^4 \right) + C_2 (T_1 - T_2)^{\frac{4}{3}};
$$

where

$$
q'' = heat flux based on assembly envelope area (Btu/hr-ft2),\n\sigma = 0.1714 \times 10^{-8} Btu/hr-ft2 -°R4,\n\epsilon1, \epsilon2 = cladding and enclosure emissivities = 0.7, 0.2 (Table 3.2-3),\n\epsilon1 = regression constant,\n= $\frac{4N}{(N+1)^2}$ for odd values of N,
\n= number of rows in assembly,
\nC₂ = regression constant = 0.118, and
\nT₁, T₂ = cladding and enclosure temperatures (°R).
$$

The length of the assembly edge is 15 x pitch = $15 \times 0.563 = 8.445$ in., and the length is 12 ft. The heat flux is then

$$
q'' = \frac{(617)(3.413)}{(12)(4)\left(\frac{8.445}{12}\right)} = 62.3.
$$

With a 15 x 15 assembly, $C_1 = 0.234$. The enclosure temperature T₂ is 250°F $= 710^{\circ}$ R. Inserting all the values, the WE correlation gives:

$$
62.3 = 7.39 \times 10^{-11} \left(T_1^4 - 710^4 \right) + 0.118 (T_1 - 710)^{\frac{4}{3}}.
$$

Solving by iteration gives $T_1 = 804^{\circ}R = \frac{344^{\circ}F}{16}$.

2. GA Method

Temperature rise across the gap from enclosure to edge of assembly:

$$
\Delta T_2 = \frac{Q'\Delta x}{k_g P},
$$

where

O'= (617)(3.413)/12 = 175.5 Btu/hr-ft,

 $\Delta x = 0.1745$ in., $k_g = gap$ (air and radiation) conductivity, and

P = average wall perimeter = $4 \times 8.6 = 34.4$ in.

From Section 3.6.1.1 and substituting air for helium, the gap conductivity evaluated at $250^{\circ}F = 710^{\circ}R$ is 0.0271 Btu/hr-ft- \circ F. Thus:

$$
\Delta T_2 = 32.8^{\circ}F.
$$

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Temperature rise from the assembly edge to center.

$$
\Delta T_1 = \frac{0.0735Q'}{k_{fa}}.
$$

If the expression for the fuel assembly effective conductivity from Sec. 3.6.1.1 is modified for air (substitute k_{Air} for k_{Ha}) and evaluated at the estimated mean temperature 300°F = 760°R, we obtain k_{fa} = 0.140 Btu/hr-ft-°F. Thus:

$$
\Delta T_1 = 92.1 \text{°F.}
$$

The center temperature is predicted to be $250 + 32.8 + 92.1 = 375^{\circ}F$. Thus, the GA method is conservative when compared to the WE correlation.

3.6.4.3 Effect of a Personnel Barrier. All analysis has been performed without a personnel barrier. However, use of a personnel barrier with at least 50% open area for air flow will not affect the thermal performance of the cask. This can be demonstrated by estimating the pressure drop across the personnel barrier and comparing to the buoyancy developed from natural convection, which is the main cooling mechanism. Taking a typical natural convection velocity of 1 ft/sec (see Ref. 3.6.4-4) and using the normal temperature of 100°F (density = 0.071 lb/ft³), the velocity head $pV^2/2g_c$ is:

$$
\frac{0.071*(1)^2}{2*32.2} = 1.1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ psf.}
$$

To estimate the loss coefficient, assume the personnel barrier is a perforated grid with 50% free area and circular holes. Taking a hole diameter of 0.5 in., the Reynolds number based on the hole is:

$$
Re = \frac{VD}{v} = \frac{2*0.5/12}{0.180 \times 10^{-3}} = 463,
$$

where the velocity V is 2 ft/sec through the hole if the free area is 50%. From Ref. 3.6.4-5 the loss coefficient for this configuration may be calculated as:

$$
K = \left[0.12 + 0.46(1.5 - 5)^2 \right] \frac{1}{0.5^2} = 2.3.
$$

(The Ref. 3.6.4-5 parameters are $\vec{f} = 0.5$, $\zeta_{\phi} = 0.12$, $\overline{\epsilon}_{0}^{\text{Re}} = 0.46$, and $\zeta_{0} = 1.5$, evaluated at Re = 400.)

The pressure drop through the grid is then $K(\rho V^2/2g_c)$, or

$$
2.3^{\ast}1.1 \times 10^{-3} = 2.5 \times 10^{-3} \text{ psf.}
$$

(Ref. 3.6.4-5 bases the loss coefficient on the free stream velocity head.)

The buoyancy is $(p_{\text{cold}} - p_{\text{hot}})^*$ h, where

 $p_{\text{cold}} = 0.071$ lb/ft³ (@ 100°F ambient), ρ_{hot} = 0.0626 lb/ft³ (@ 175°F, avg. skin temperature), $h = 40$ in. (cask diameter),

and

 $(0.071 - 0.0626)^*40/12 = 2.8 \times 10^{-2}$ psf.

Since the pressure loss through the grid is less than 10% of the buoyancy, the natural convection cooling is essentially unaffected. Note that the partial shading effect of a grid would provide a reduction in the solar load.

It should be noted further that the velocity of 1 f/sec used in the calculation is the typical velocity in the boundary layer adjacent the cask. To determine the pressure drop through the grid we need the free stream velocity, which is much less (theoretically zero) than the boundary layer velocity. Use of the boundary layer velocity is therefore very conservative and overestimates the effect of the grid.

3.6.4.4 Temperature Distribution for ANSYS Thermal Stress Model of FSS/Liner. In Section 2.10.9.3.4 an ANSYS analysis of the FSS/Iiner combination is performed to calculate thermal stresses under normal conditions of transport. The analysis uses the temperature distribution shown in Fig. 3.6.4-3. This temperature distribution is based on an earlier cask design; however, the temperatures and gradients are representative of the present cask design, and at most locations are conservative as shown below.

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Fig. 3.6.4-3. Temperature distribution in FSS and liner for ANSYS model of Section 2

3.6.5 Derivation of Effective Thermal Properties

This section presents detailed derivations of all effective thermal properties listed in Section 3.6.1.

3.6.5.1 TAC2D Model, Section 3.4 (Normal Conditions)

3.6.5.1.1 Spent Fuel Assembly. The spent fuel assembly (SFA) is modeled as a homogeneous, heat-generating mass. The thermal conductivities in the x and y directions (k., **.ky)** combine the effects of thermal radiation and conduction through the intermediate gas, $h_{\text{elim}}^{\text{S}}$. In the z direction, the thermal conductivity (k_z) accounts for conduction through the fuel and cladding. As a conservative assumption, natural convection is neglected. Owing to the horizontal position of the cask during transport, natural convection would tend to be inhibited.

Radial Conductivity **k**, and **k**_y

As an aid to determining the radiation portion of k_x (= k_y), a computer program developed by Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) is employed (Ref. 3.6.5-1, 3.6.5-2). The program (designated TUBERAD by GA) predicts the dimensionless temperature distribution in a square array of rods as a function of the rod heating, rod diameter, pitch-to-diameter ratio (PDR) and emissivity (ε) . A shroud is assumed to enclose the array, and the shroud has a dimensionless reference temperature of 0. See Fig. 3.6.5-1. The dimensionless temperature is defined as

$$
Y_i = \frac{\sigma \left(T_i^4 - T_s^4 \right)}{q''};
$$

where

 Y_i = dimensionless rod temperature,

a = Stefan-Boltzmann radiation constant,

 T_i = rod temperature, deg. absolute,

 T_s = shroud temperature, deg. absolute, and

q" = reference heat flux based on-total rod surface area.

All spent fuel assembly (SFA) configurations that will be shipped (see Section 1.2.3) are analyzed with this program in order to select the one with the highest predicted center rod temperature for a given assembly heat generation and shroud temperature. Although not part of the authorized contents, 16x16 and 17x17 assemblies are also included.

The program requires the pitch-diameter ratio (PDR), the fuel rod emissivity, the shroud emissivity, and the shroud dimensions. The PDR is obtained from Table 1.2-2. From Section 3.2, the fuel rod emissivity is 0.7 and the shroud emissivity is 0.2. The shroud is the fuel cavity and is 8.78 in. square.

Fig. 3.6.5-1. Rod array for TUBERAD analysis

Either uniform or nonuniform radiosity may be assumed around the periphery of a rod when using the TUBERAD program. (Radiosity is the sum of emitted plus reflected radiation.) Uniform radiosity simplifies the analysis but can be significantly nonconservative in that temperatures are under-predicted, as Ref. 3.6.5-1 demonstrates by comparison to test data. However, a program restriction on using the nonuniform radiosity option is that all emissivities, including that of the shroud, must be equal. In order to approximate the effects of non uniform radiosity but use unequal emissivities (i.e., rods different from the shroud) the following procedure recommended in Ref. 3.6.5-2 is followed for each assembly:

- 1. TUBERAD is run with nonuniform radiosity, taking all emissivities = 0.7. The dimensionless temperatures for each rod in the assembly are labeled as column Y1 in Figs. 3.6.5-2 to 3.6.5-13.
- 2. TUBERAD is then run with uniform radiosity, again with all emissivities \pm 0.7. These results are labeled as column Y2 in the same figures.
- 3. TUBERAD is then run with uniform radiosity, a rod emissivity of 0.7, and a shroud emissivity of 0.2. These results are labeled as column Y3.
- 4. The results of step 3 are then multiplied by the ratio of step 1 results to step 2 results. In addition, since TUBERAD assumes a unit heat flux q", a factor is applied to put results for all assemblies on an equal total heat generation basis. The Westinghouse 15x15 is arbitrarily taken as the reference case with a factor of unity. The final dimensionless temperature is labeled as column Y, which is calculated as:

$$
Y = \left(\frac{Y1}{Y2}\right)^{T} Y3^{T}HTFAC,
$$

where HTFAC = $\frac{\text{Total rod surface area of Westinghouse } 15x15}{\frac{\text{Total rod surface area}}{\text{Total area}}}$ Total rod surface area of SFA

Figure 3.6.5-14 lists the VAX commands used to run TUBERAD for all the assemblies. The command procedure PWRTUBE.COM, which executes the above 4 steps for each assembly, is shown in Fig. 3.6.5-15. The FORTRAN program YCALC to carry out the final step is given in Fig. 3.6.5-16.

Since the values of Y are based on all assemblies generating the same total heat, the assembly with the highest Y for the center rod has the lowest effective conductivity (worst case). It is seen from the results (Figs. 3.6.5-2 to 3.6.5-13) that either the B&W 17x17 or the Westinghouse 17x17 Std element gives the highest center rod temperature (maximum Y value for surface 1) and the values of Y for the other rods are virtually identical. (Use of a 17x17 assembly for determining thermal conductivity is therefore conservative since this assembly size is not part of the authorized contents.)

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WE_14X14_OFA

Fig. 3.6.5-4. Dimensionless temperatures for We 14x14 OFA assembly

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Fig. **3.6.5-5.** Dimensionless temperatures for Exxon 14x14 We PWR assembly

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Fig. 3.6.5-6. Dimensionless temperatures for B&W 15x15 We assembly

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Fig. 3.6.5-7. Dimensionless temperatures for We 15x15 Std/ZC assembly

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EX_15X15_WE

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CE_15X15

Fig. 3.6.5-9. Dimensionless temperatures for CE 15x15 assembly

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Fig. **3.6.5-11.** Dimensionless temperatures for B&W 17x17 assembly

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WE_17X17_STD

Fig. 3.6.5-12. Dimensionless temperatures for We 17x17 Std assembly

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WE_17X17_OFA

Fig. 3.6.5-13. Dimensionless temperatures for We 17x17 OFA assembly

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Parameter definitions:

- Pitch-Diameter ratio P2
- Rod emissivity P3
- Shroud emissivity P4
- Single rod area/Shroud area P5
- Assembly name P6

Fig. 3.6.5-14. VAX/VMS commands to run TUBERAD

\$ IF P6 .EQS. "" THEN INQUIRE P6 "PROBLEM NAME?" \$ IF P6 .NES. "" THEN GOTO CONT \$ WRITE SYS\$OUTPUT "MODEL NAME MISSING, JOB TERMINATED" \$ GOTO END \$ CONT: $SNRODS = P1*P1$ \$ OPEN/WRITE INPUT TUBERAD.IN $$$ WRITE INPUT P6," NON-UNIFORM RADIOSITY, EMTUBE $=$ EMSHROUD' **\$** WRITE INPUT " 2 2 1 2 1 1 1" \$ WRITE INPUT " ",P1," ",NRODS \$ WRITE INPUT P2," ",P3," ",P3," **P** \$ CLOSE INPUT \$ TUBERAD **\$** RENAME TUBERAD.OUT 'P6'.OUT1 \$ OPEN/WRITE INPUT TUBERAD.IN \$ WRITE INPUT P6," UNIFORM RADIOSITY, EMTUBE = EMSHROUD' **\$** WRITE INPUT " 1 2 1 1 1 1 1" \$ WRITE INPUT " ",PI," ",NRODS \$ WRITE INPUT P2," ",P3," ",P3," **",P5** \$ CLOSE INPUT \$ TUBERAD S RENAME TUBERAD.OUT 'P6'.OUT2 \$ OPEN/WRITE INPUT TUBERAD.IN \$ WRITE INPUT P6," UNIFORM RADIOSITY, EMTUBE */=* EMSHROUI **\$** WRITE INPUT " 1 2 1 1 1 1 1" \$ WRITE INPUT " ",P1," ",NRODS \$ WRITE INPUT P2," ",P3," ",P4," ",P5 \$ CLOSE INPUT \$ TUBERAD \$ RENAME TUBERAD.OUT 'P6'.OUT3 \$ ASSIGN TUBERAD.IN FOR016 \$ ASSIGN 'P6'.OUT1 FOR017 \$ ASSIGN 'P6' .OUT2 FOR018 \$ ASSIGN 'P6'.OUT3 FOR019 \$ ASSIGN 'P6'.YTEMS FOR020 \$ RUN YCALC \$ END: STEP 1 STEP 2 STEP 3 STEP 4

Fig. 3.6.5-15. VAX/VMS command procedure PWRTUBE.COM

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CHARACTER*1 CHAR(80)
         READ (16.100) CHAR
         D0 I = 1.80IF (CHAR(I).EQ.' ') THEN
             NC=I-1GO TO 4
         ENDIF
         ENDDO
     4 READ (16,101) NROWS, AR
         M=0I2=(NROWS+1)/2D0 5 I=1.125 M=M+I
        SCALE ALL DIMENSIONLESS TEMPERATURES 'Y' SO THAT THEY ARE BASED ON<br>THE SAME TOTAL HEAT. USE W15 X 15 STD/ZC ASSEMBLY AS A REFERENCE.<br>0.0377 = SINGLE TUBE AREA/SHROUD AREA FOR W15 X 15<br>= \frac{P1*0.4227(4*8.78)}{P1*0.4227(4*8SKIP LINES IN OUTPUT FILE TO GET TO 'Y's<br>READ (17,102)<br>DO 6 I=1,13<br>READ (17,102)<br>READ (18,102)<br>6 READ (19,102)<br>WRITE (20,105) (CHAR(I),I=1,NC)<br>DO 7 I=1,M<br>READ (17,103) Y1 ! NON-UNIF RADIOSITY, EMTUBE = ESHROUD<br>READ (18,103
                                               ! NON-UNIF RADIOSITY, EMTUBE = ESHROUD<br>! UNIF RADIOSITY, EMTUBE = EMSHROUD
         Y = (Y\overline{1}/Y\overline{2})\overline{Y}Y3\overline{Y}HTFAC7 WRITE (20.104) I.Y.Y1.Y2.Y3.HTFAC
         STOP
100 FORMAT (80A1)<br>101 FORMAT (/.15./.30X.E10.4)
102 FORMAT
                       \left(103 FORMAT (58X.E9.3)<br>104 FORMAT (1X.14.6X.5(1PE12.3))<br>105 FORMAT (30X.<NC>A1./////.1X.'SURFACE'.9X.'Y'.12X.'Y1'.10X.'Y2'.<br>>10X.'Y3'.8X.'HTFAC'./)
```
END

Fig. 3.6.5-16. Program YCALC

Having thus generated the temperature distribution due to thermal radiation for the worst-case assembly, the next step is to use this information to calculate the effective thermal conductivity. To accomplish this, a small TAC2D model is constructed to represent a 1/4 section of a 17x17 **SFA** together with the shroud. The model is shown in Fig. 3.6.5-17. Each nodal cell in the model represents a single fuel rod. Since the heat transfer is entirely by thermal radiation, the SFA and gap thermal conductivities are assumed to be of the form $k = CT³$ where T is degrees absolute and C is a constant to be determined. The total SFA heat generation rates used are 617 W (maximum) and 308 W. Since the Y values are referenced to the Westinghouse 15x15 assembly, the heat flux q" used to calculate actual rod temperatures is based on this assembly's rod area. The shroud temperature is taken as 200°F and 300°F.

With these boundary conditions, the constant C is varied for the **SFA** and gap conductivities until the temperature distribution predicted by the TAC2D model agrees'as closely as possible with the temperature distribution given by the ORNL code using the particular values of decay heat and shroud temperature. Table 3.6.5-1 shows the TUBERAD results (applied to the We 17x17 assembly) versus TAC2D results for 3 different cases of decay heat and shroud temperature. It is possible to match the temperature distributions within 8°F for both PWR and BWR assemblies. The thermal conductivities required to achieve this agreement are:

 k_{SFA} = 2.106 x 10⁻¹⁰ T³ Btu/hr-ft-^oF 1ostilation only $k_{\text{GAP}} = 2.461 \times 10^{-11} \text{ T}^3 \text{ Btu/hr-fit-}^{\circ}$ F

Having determined the radiation portion of the SFA thermal conductivity $k = k$,), the contribution from conduction through the helium is added. If the fuel rods are regarded as conducting wires in an *insulating" medium (the helium), Ref. 3.6.5-3 indicates that the conduction in the **SFA** is increased by a factor of 2.3 to 2.6 for PDRs of 1.39 to 1.32. Using a factor of 2.5, the final conductivities for the **SFA** and gap are as follows:

Axial Conductivity k.,

The effective axial conductivity for the **SFA** is developed in Table 3.6.5-2. The average value of 2.4 Btu/hr-ft-°F is used.

Heat Capacity

The effective heat capacity for the **SFA** is developed in Table 3.6.5-3. The average value of 97.4 Btu/°F is used.

3.6.5.1.2 Gap between Fuel Assembly and Enclosure (FSS or Liner). The effective conductivity of this gap is calculated in the previous section.

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Fig. 3.6.5-17. TAC2D 1/4-scale model of 17x17 SFA

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TABLE 3.6.5-2

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 $k_{\text{fuel}} = 5$ Btu/hr-ft-^oF (Table 3.2-1)

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 $k_{\text{clad}} = 9$ $*$

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(8)DOE/RW-01 84, Vol. 3, App. 2A

(b)DOE/RW-0184-Ri, Vol. 1. 0 indicates NFAH not carried with this assembly ^(c)Based on $c_p = 0.068$ Btu/lb-°F (avg. of UO₂ and Zr-4 values from Table. 3.2-1)

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$$
kx_1 = ky_2 \qquad ky_1 = kx_2
$$

Assume
$$
kz = kx_1 (=ky_2)
$$

For kx_1 , assume round pellets can be treated as square

Calculate
$$
D_i
$$
 to give equivalent cross
sectional area

$$
D_i := \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cdot d_i
$$
 $D_i = 0.37931$
 $D_0 := D_i + (d_0 - d_i)$ $D_0 = 0.38731$

Total x-conductance of basic element

$$
C_T = C_1 + \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} + \frac{1}{C_4}\right)}
$$

$$
C_1 := k_S \cdot \frac{\binom{P - D_0}{2}}{\binom{t}{2}}
$$

$$
C_1 = 1.41205
$$

$$
Btu/hr \cdot ft \cdot eF \text{ (units of in. cancel out)}
$$

C 2 := k_S
$$
\frac{\binom{D_0}{2}}{\binom{t - D_0}{2}}
$$
 C 2 = 13.29285

$$
C_3 := \left(\frac{k_a}{gap} + h_{rad}\right) \cdot \frac{D_i}{2}
$$
 gap $= \frac{D_0 - D_i}{2 \cdot 12}$ gap = 3.33333 \cdot 10⁻⁴ ft

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$$
h_{rad} = \sigma \cdot F \cdot \frac{T_1^4 - T_2^4}{T_1 - T_2} \approx 4 \cdot \sigma \cdot F \cdot T_{avg}^3 \qquad \sigma := 0.1714 \cdot 10^{-8}
$$

\n
$$
F := \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\epsilon_s} + \frac{1}{\epsilon_B} - 1} \qquad F = 0.19048 \qquad T_{avg} := T
$$

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$$
C_3 := \left[\frac{k_a}{gap} + 4 \cdot \sigma \cdot F \cdot (T_{avg} + 460)^3 \right] \cdot \frac{D_1}{2 \cdot 12} \qquad C_3 = 0.91983
$$

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$$
C_4 := k_B \cdot \left(\frac{0.5 \cdot D_1}{0.5 \cdot D_1} \right) \qquad C_4 = 15
$$

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$$
C_7 := C_1 + \frac{1}{\frac{1}{C_2} + \frac{1}{C_3} + \frac{1}{C_4}} \qquad C_7 = 2.22568
$$

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$$
C_7 := k_x \cdot 1 \cdot \frac{0.5 \cdot P}{0.5 \cdot t} \qquad k_x \cdot 1 = C_7 \cdot \frac{t}{P} \qquad k_x \cdot 1 = 2.71533 \qquad \text{But/hr-tt-r}
$$

\n
$$
= ky_2 = kz
$$

For $kx_2 = ky_1$ (parallel to the pellets), the gaps between the pellets must be considered.

Total length L (pellets + gaps):
$$
L := L_B + \Delta x_S
$$
 $L = 8.019$

The gap will open at temperature since steel expands more than B4C. Use T **=** 300 'F

 α steel $= 8.6 \cdot 10^{-6}$ in/in-°F α B4C $= 2.7 \cdot 10^{-6}$ ΔL steel = α steel. L.(T- 70) $\Delta L_{B4C} := \alpha_{B4C} (L - \Delta x) (T - 70)$ $\Delta L_{B4C} = 0.00496$ fThermoohvsical Properties of $B4C \coloneqq 2.7 \cdot 10^{-6}$ Matter, Purdue U, Thermal Expansion) ΔL steel = 0.01586 Operating gap = $\Delta x := \Delta x + \Delta L$ steel $\Delta L = 0.0399$ in.

 $L := L + \Delta L$ steel L **=** 8.03486 \mathbb{R}^2

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 $k_{\text{eff}} = 3.15014$ Btu/hr-ft-°F

Total Resitance (per unit area) = thru B4 C pellets and gaps **(N 1-** L _L-~Ax **+{ý)i** keff **k** B kg Pellets Pellet-pellet gaps kB = 15 kgk'g = kair+krad **kair :=** ka ka = 0.01921 Btu/hr-ft-°F **k** rad =F.T3 4.;.x N F = 0.66667 P = 0.19048 for pellet-pellet gaps for pellet-steel gap **kg** := kg kair **+** 4.O.N. **N-12** x.F.(T **+** 460)3 *Kk4* **k9** N=kar **Nx -1.2.** p.(T+460)3 kg = 0.01982 k g 0.01938 These show radiation is small L L-Ax+ kB kg **kg Ax** kg Pellet steel gap F= F' 1 o 1 1 EB CB 1 ⁼**P :1** _L **+** _L1 **¹ C** B **E s** k eff **:=** B4C only

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Now combine with surrounding steel as a parallel / series heat flow path

$$
ky_1 = \frac{L + L_s}{\frac{A}{A_{tot}} \cdot k_{eff} + \frac{A_{steel}}{A_{tot}} \cdot k_{steel}} + \frac{L_s}{k_s}
$$
 (steel length to FSS end)
\n
$$
t = 0.61 \qquad P = 0.5
$$

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$$
d_1 = 0.428 \qquad d_0 = 0.436
$$

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$$
k_{S} = 7.6432
$$

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$$
ky_1 := \frac{L + L_s}{\frac{L}{4 \cdot t \cdot P} \cdot k_{eff} + \left(1 - \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot \frac{d_0^2}{t \cdot P}\right) \cdot k_s} + \frac{L_s}{k_s}
$$

$$
ky_1 = 5.49155 \qquad \text{Btu/hr-ft-PF}
$$

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$$
= kx_2
$$

3.6.5.1.4 Fuel Assembly Rods/FSS

$$
(1 = \text{fuel}, 2 = FSS)
$$

Radial Thermal Conductivity

 $k_x = \frac{A_1}{A_{tot}} \cdot k_1 + \frac{A_2}{A_{tot}} \cdot k_2$ $d_1 := 8.775$ in

 $d_2 := 0.61$

k₁ := 2.5 · k He + 2.106 · 10⁻¹⁰ · T³_p Btu/hr-ft-°F (Sec. 3.6.5.1.1) T = °R

 $k_2 := 5.50$ Btu/hr-ft-°F (Sec. 3.6.5.1.3)

 $\frac{A_1}{A_{tot}} = 0.966$ $A_1 = 2 \cdot d_1$ $A_{tot} = A_1 + d_2$ $A_2 = d_2$ $\frac{A_2}{A_{\text{tot}}}$ = 0.034

 k_x is adusted so that the volume-averaged temperature predicted by a 1-D radial slice of the r-z model matches that predicted by a 2-D x-y model which explicitly treats the
fuel assembly and FSS. It is shown (Sec. 3.6.9) that the conductivity developed
above may be multiplied by a factor of 1.46. Thus

$$
k_{x} := 1.46 \cdot \left(\frac{A_1}{A_{\text{tot}}} \cdot k_1 + \frac{A_2}{A_{\text{tot}}} \cdot k_2\right) \circ
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Axial Thermal Conductivity

\n6. Evaluate the formula:

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$$
k_{2} := K_{2} \cdot \left(\frac{A \text{ actual}}{A \text{ model}}\right) \cdot \text{ where } K_{2} := \frac{A_{1}}{A \text{ tot}} \cdot k_{1} + \frac{A_{2}}{A \text{ tot}} \cdot k_{2} \cdot k_{2} \cdot k_{3}
$$
\n6. Evaluate the formula:

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$$
k_{1} := 2.4 \qquad \text{Btu/hr-ft-fF} \quad \text{(Table 3.6.5-2)}
$$
\n
$$
k_{2} := 2.71 \qquad \text{(Sec. 3.6.5.1.3)}
$$
\n
$$
A_{\text{tot}} := (2 \cdot d_{1} + d_{2})^{2} \qquad A_{\text{tot}} = 329.786 \qquad \text{in}^{2}
$$
\n
$$
A_{1} := 4 \cdot d_{1}^{2} \qquad A_{1} = 308.002 \qquad A_{2} := A_{\text{tot}} - A_{1} \qquad A_{2} = 21.783
$$
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$$
\frac{A_{1}}{A \text{ tot}} = 0.934 \qquad \frac{A_{2}}{A \text{ tot}} = 0.066
$$
\n
$$
A_{\text{actual}} := A_{\text{tot}} \qquad A_{\text{model}} := \pi \cdot (11.528 - 0.174)^{2} \qquad A_{\text{model}} = 404.993
$$
\n
$$
k_{2} := \frac{A_{1}}{A_{\text{tot}}} \cdot k_{1} + \frac{A_{2}}{A \text{ tot}} \cdot k_{2} \qquad k_{2} = 2.42
$$
\n
$$
k_{2} := k_{2} \cdot \left(\frac{A_{\text{actual}}}{A_{\text{model}}}\right) \qquad k_{2} = 1.971
$$
\nFor cladding only (3 in. top and bottom):

\n
$$
A_{\text{total}} := \frac{A_{1}}{A_{\text{total}} \qquad A_{\text{total}} = 1.971
$$

k₁ := 0.95 (Table 3.6.5-2)
$$
k_2 = \frac{1}{A_{tot}} \cdot k_1 + \frac{1}{A_{tot}} \cdot k_2
$$
 $k_2 = 1.066$
\nk₂ := $k_2 \cdot \frac{A \text{ actual}}{A \text{ model}}$ $k_2 = 0.868$

Thermal radiation contribution (accident case only).

The radiation conductivity axially along a bundle of tubes may be estimated as:

$$
k_{\text{rad}} := \frac{16}{3} \cdot \sigma \cdot D_{\text{h}} \cdot T^3_{\text{b}}
$$

where D_h is the hydraulic diameter. Estimating $D_h := 0.5$

$$
k_{z,rad} = \left(\frac{A_1}{A_{tot}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{A_{actual}}{A_{model}}\right) \cdot k_{rad} = C \cdot T^3
$$

where C =
$$
\left(\frac{A_1}{A_{tot}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{A_{actual}}{A_{model}}\right) \cdot \frac{16}{3} \cdot 0.1714 \cdot 10^{-8} \cdot \frac{D_h}{12} = 2.897 \cdot 10^{-10}
$$

Specific Heat

Fuel Steel B_4C C_t = Total thermal capacitance = $C_t + C_s + C_b$

C $_f := (4) \cdot 96.7$ Btu/°F, 4 assemblies, Table 3.6.5-3 C $_b := m_b \cdot c_{p b}$

large
pellets small
pellets

 $m_b := \rho_b \cdot (N_1 \cdot V_1 + N_2 \cdot V_2)$

$$
N_1 := (4) \cdot 283
$$
 $V_1 := \pi \cdot 8.01 \cdot \left(\frac{0.426}{2}\right)^2$ in³

$$
N_2 := (4) .39
$$
 $V_2 := \pi .8.054 \cdot \left(\frac{0.28}{2}\right)^2$

 ρ_b = 151 B₄C, lb/ft³, Table 3.2-1

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$$
m_{b} := \frac{\rho_{b}}{1728} \cdot (N_{1} \cdot V_{1} + N_{2} \cdot V_{2}) \qquad m_{b} = 119.694 \qquad \text{lb B}_{4}C
$$

\n
$$
c_{pb} := 0.29 \qquad B_{4}C, \text{Btu/lb-°F, Table 3.2-1}
$$

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$$
C_{b} := m_{b} \cdot c_{pb} \qquad C_{b} = 34.711 \text{ Btu/°F}
$$

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$$
C_{s} := m_{s} \cdot c_{ps0} \qquad m_{s} := m_{FSS} - m_{b0} \qquad m_{FSS} := 751 \text{ lb}
$$

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$$
m_{s} := m_{FSS} - m_{b} \qquad m_{s} = 631.306 \qquad c_{ps} := 0.13 \quad \text{(Table 3.2-1)}
$$

\n
$$
C_{s} := m_{s} \cdot c_{ps} \qquad C_{s} = 82.07 \qquad \text{Btu/°F}
$$

For the TAC2D model, $c_{\text{p.eff}} \coloneqq \frac{C_{\text{t}}}{V_{\text{model}}}$

L **:=** 167.25 in length of fuel cavity

$$
V_{\text{model}} := A_{\text{model}} \cdot L \qquad \qquad \text{pc}_{\text{p.eff}} := \frac{C_f + C_s + C_b}{V_{\text{model}}} \cdot 1728
$$

pc_{.p.eff} = 12.847 Btu/ft³-°F

(Model uses 12.7 based on a earlier **FSS** weight of 675 lb. The difference is **-** 1%).

The space beyond the fuel rods is occupied by nozzles, end fittings, the FSS, fuel spacers (at the bottom), and helium gas. For conservatism only the solid area represented by the FSS will be considered, and the conductivi

Radial:

$$
k_x = k_x = k_y
$$

 $k_x := \frac{A He}{A tot} \cdot k He + \frac{A steel}{A tot} \cdot k$ steel

$$
\frac{A_{He}}{A_{tot}} = \frac{2 \cdot d_1}{2 \cdot d_1 + d_2} = 0.966
$$
\n
$$
\frac{A_{steel}}{A_{tot}} = \frac{d_2}{2 \cdot d_1 + d_2} = 0.034
$$

Axial:

$$
k_z := \frac{A He}{A model} \cdot k_{He} + \frac{A steel}{A model} \cdot k_{steel} \cdot k_{steel}
$$

A model :=
$$
\pi \cdot (11.528 - 0.174)^2
$$
 A model = 404.993 in²

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$$
\frac{A_{He}}{A_{model}} = \frac{4 \cdot d_1^2}{A_{model}} = 0.761
$$
\n
$$
\frac{A_{steel}}{A_{model}} = \frac{A_{tot} - 4 \cdot d_1^2}{A_{model}} = 0.054
$$

Heat Capacity: Use same as for previous material since calculations based on entire fuel assembly and FSS weights.

 $pc_{p.eff}$:= 12.9 Btu/ft³-°F (12.7 used)

3.6.5.1.6 Cavity Liner

 A actual Axial $k_z = \frac{N \text{ actual}}{N}$

Specific heat $pc p := \frac{A \text{ actual}}{A \text{ model}} \cdot pc \text{ p. steel}$

$$
A_{\text{actual}} := (d + 2 \cdot t)^2 - d^2 + (\pi - 4) \cdot (r_0^2 - r_1^2)
$$

$$
A_{model} := \pi \cdot (11.902^{2} - 11.528^{2})
$$

\n
$$
A_{model} = 1.003
$$

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$$
A_{model} = 1.003
$$

No adjustments to propeties needed.

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d := $d + 2 \cdot t + 2 \cdot 0.036$ d = 18.982 t := 2.65 $r_i := 0.48$ $r_o := 4.47$

A actual := $(d + 2 \cdot t)^2 - d^2 + (\pi - 4) \cdot (r_0^2 - r_1^2)$

$$
A_{model} := \pi \cdot (14.237^2 - 11.953^2)
$$

\n
$$
A_{model} = 1.13
$$

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$$
A_{model} = 1.13
$$

3.6.5.1.8 Cask Body

 $d := d + 2 \cdot t + 2 \cdot 0.02$ $d = 24.322$ $t := 1.5$ $r_1 := 4.34$ $r_0 := 5.84$

A actual := $(d + 2 \cdot t)^2 - d^2 + (\pi - 4) \cdot (r_0^2 - r_1^2)$

A model := $\pi \cdot (15.798^2 - 14.298^2)$ $\frac{A \text{ actual}}{A}$ = 1

No adjustments to properties needed.

3.6.5.1.9 Neutron Shield

Natural convection correlation presented in Sec. 3.6.2.1.

3.6.5.1.10 Outer Skin

No adjustments needed - round skin modeled exactly.

3.6.5.1.11 Steel at Closure and Bottom Ends

 $k_r := k_{\text{steel}}$

 $k_z := k_{\text{steel}} \cdot \left(\frac{A_{\text{actual}}}{A_{\text{model}}} \right)$

Location

Bottom 6" closure (plug)

 π .11.528

Flange

$$
\frac{(27.322^2 - 18.16^2) + (\pi - 4) \cdot (5.84^2 - 0.12^2)}{\pi \cdot (15.798^2 - 11.528^2)} = 1.057
$$

$$
\frac{(26.57-2.0.227)^2+(\pi-4)\cdot(5.464-0.227)^2...}{+(\text{27.322}^2-26.57^2)+(\pi-4)\cdot(5.84^2-5.464^2)}=0.913
$$

$$
\frac{27.322^2 + (\pi - 4) \cdot 5.84^2}{\pi \cdot 15.798^2} = 0.915
$$

Bottom plate

Top 5" closure,
including flange
extension

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A actual

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$$

$$
\frac{18.16^2}{5.11.528^2} = 0.79
$$

Heat capacity

 $\frac{A_{actual}}{A_{model}}$

$$
pc_{p,model} := \frac{A_{actual}}{A_{model}} \cdot pc_{p.steel}
$$

where the

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are as above

3.6.5.2 TAC2D Model. Section 3.5 (Accident Conditions)

3.6.5.2.1 Impact Limiter Support Structure

Sec. A-A (flats) Sec. B-B

Divide into 6 axial levels in z-direction. Compute effective properties for each level. "Smear" in radial and circumferential directions at each level.

Consider the outer shell (0.4") separately. Include with it the 0.25" of the impact limiter housing. This is all steel.

Definitions (all dimensions in inches)

- $\Delta\theta$:= 10 180 angle between supports
- θ **:=** (0.5) $\cdot \Delta \theta$ first angle

Hole diameters and pitches $d_1 := 0.624$ $p_1 := 0.688$ $d_2 := 0.250$ Heights of levels $H_2 := 14.10$ $H_3 = 2.53$ $H_5 = 4.5$ Hole spacings $s_1 := 0.618$ $s_2 := 0.80$ $s_3 := 0.61$

 $p_2 := 0.40$

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Level 1 - Bottom plate

Level $2 - 0.624$ " holes in ribs

Level $3 - 0.250$ " holes in ribs

Level 4 - Shear plate

Level 5 - Above shear plate, 0.250" holes in ribs

Level 6 - Top plate

Level 1 Bottom plate

$$
k_r = k_{\text{steel}} = k_z
$$

 $pc_p = (pc_p)$ steel

Level 2

Radial k

Total Conductan ce = $C_T = C_S + C_C + C_r$

Steel Conductance

\n
$$
C_s = k_{steel} \sum_{i=1}^{5} \frac{A_i}{\Delta r_i}
$$

where A_i = area of ith rib, Δr_i = length of ith rib

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Calculation of right lengths

\n2a(culation of heat transfer areas)

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\na)
$$
1 = 2
$$

\nb) $1 = 2$

\nc) $1 = 2$

\nd) $1 = 13$ for 48, the first term is 1.3

\n2a) $1 = 2$

\n3b) $1 = 2$

\n4b) $1 = 13$

\n5b) $1 = 13$

\n6) $1 = 20$

\n7a) $1 = 13$

\n8b) $1 = 12$

\n9c) $1 = 12$

\n17a) $1 = 13$

\n18b) $1 = 12$

\n19c) $1 = 12$

\n10d) $1 = 12$

\n25d) $1 = 12$

\n3e) $1 = 12$

\n4d) $1 = 12$

\n5e) $1 = 12$

\n6e) $1 = 12$

\n7f) $1 = 12$

\n8g) $1 = 12$

\n9g) $1 = 12$

\n10h) $1 = 12$

\n11i) $1 = 12$

\n22i) $1 = 12$

\n33i) $1 = 12$

\n44a = 12

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Natural convection

$$
C_{c} := h_{c} \cdot A_{c} \text{ as } A_{c} := \left[0.5 \cdot \left[\frac{\pi \cdot r_{2}}{4} + (D - r_{3}) + \frac{\pi \cdot r_{3}}{4} \right] - 4.5 \cdot t_{2} \right] \cdot H_{2}
$$

= $k_{air} \cdot Nu \cdot \left(\frac{A_{c}}{\Delta r_{c}} \right)$ $A_{c} = 146.33689 \text{ in}^{2}$

Use avg. rib length for Δr_C

 $\overline{}$

Take
$$
\Delta r_c := \frac{1}{5} \cdot \sum_j \Delta r_j
$$
 $\Delta r_c = 3.93406$ $\frac{A_c}{\Delta r_c} = 37.19746$ in.

To calculate Nu, assume natural convection in a vertical passage. Use a spacing of

L \cong Δr_c or L = 3.93406 and a height of H \cong H $_2$ + H $_3$ or H = 16.63 $H = 4.22719$ L

Rayleigh Number
\n
$$
Ra := \frac{g \cdot \beta \cdot \Delta T \cdot L^3}{v \cdot \alpha}.
$$
\n
$$
\Delta T = T_{outer steel} \cdot T_{inner steel}
$$
\nUse\n
$$
\Delta T := 500 - 200
$$
\n
$$
\Delta T = 300
$$
\n
$$
T_{avg} := 0.5 \cdot (500 + 200)
$$
\n
$$
\beta := \frac{1}{\sqrt{T_{avg} + 460}}
$$
\n
$$
v := 0.342 \cdot 10^{-3}
$$
\n
$$
t^2/sec
$$
\n(Kreith)\n
$$
\alpha := \frac{1.7}{3600}
$$
\n(Kreith)

$$
Ra := \frac{32.2 \cdot \beta \cdot \Delta T \cdot \left(\frac{L}{12}\right)^{3}}{\nu \cdot \alpha}
$$

$$
Ra = 2.60194 \cdot 10^{6}
$$

Use Eq'n 126 - 129 in Chapter 6, Handbook of Heat Transfer, 2nd ed.

$$
Nu_{\text{ct}} := \left[1 + \left[\frac{0.104 \cdot \text{Ra}^{0.293}}{1 + \left(\frac{6310}{\text{Ra}}\right)^{1.36}}\right]^3\right]^{0.333}
$$

$$
Nu_{\text{ct}} = 7.87034
$$

$$
Nu_{\text{1}} := 0.242 \cdot \left(\frac{\text{Ra} \cdot L}{H}\right)^{0.273}
$$

$$
Nu_{\text{1}} = 9.21042
$$

Nu t := $0.0605 \cdot \text{Ra}^{0.333}$

Nu $t = 8.28036$

Nu $\cdot \frac{A_C}{\Delta r_C} = 342.60423$ in. $Nu := Nu_1$ (maximum) Use

Radiation

$$
C_r := h_r \cdot A_{r^o}
$$
 $h_r := 4 \cdot \sigma \cdot F \cdot T^3$ Take $\varepsilon_{\text{steel}} := 0.8$

$$
F := \frac{1}{\frac{1}{\varepsilon \text{ steel}} + \frac{1}{\varepsilon \text{ steel}}} - 1
$$
 $F = 0.66667$

 σ := 0.1714.10⁻⁸

 $A_r := A_c$ $A_r = 146.33689$ in²

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 $\overline{}$

Axial k
\nAssume conduction through steel only
\ni = 1.3
\nA₁ = rib conduction area =
$$
(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{9}) \cdot \sum_{i=1}^{6} \Delta t_i + A_4 + A_5
$$

\nwhere A₄ = average conduction area through rib 4 (4/8 with 20 holes, 4/8 with 13 holes)
\nA₅ =
\nA₆ = $\frac{\Delta z}{\sqrt{\frac{\Delta z}{A}} + \left(\frac{\Delta z}{A}\right)}$ or $A_4b = \frac{20}{(\frac{13}{2} - \frac{1}{9}) \cdot \Delta t_4} + \frac{7}{12 \cdot \Delta t_4}$ (approx.)
\nA₆ := 0.5 · (A₆4a + A₄b) A₄ = 0.387 Avg. for rib 4
\nA₅ = $\frac{20}{(\frac{2}{2} - \frac{1}{9}) \cdot \Delta t_5}$ mb 5 with 20 holes
\nA₅ = $\frac{20}{(\frac{2}{2} - \frac{1}{9}) \cdot \Delta t_5}$ the 5 with 20 holes
\nA₅ = 0.5 · 0.6 · (A_{5a} + A_{5b}) A₅ = 0.21943 Avg. for rib 5 (1/2 rib per 1/8 seg-
\ni := 1..3
\nA₁ = (2 - 0 + 1) $\sum_{i=1}^{6} \Delta t_i + A_4 + A_5$ A₁ = 2.47095

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Add area of guide tube and bolt =
$$
A_g
$$

$$
A_g := \pi \cdot [.875^2 - (.875 - .070)^2] + \pi \cdot .419^2
$$

$$
A_g = 0.92099
$$
 in²

$$
A_g = 0.92099
$$

Total steel area = $A_{\text{steel}} := A_r + A_g$ $A_{\text{steel}} = 3.39194$

$$
k_{eff} \cdot \left(\frac{A}{\Delta z}\right)_{model} = k_{Stel} \cdot \left(\frac{A}{\Delta z}\right)_{stel}
$$
 A model := $\frac{\pi}{8} \cdot \left(r_2^2 - R^2\right)$

$$
k_{\text{eff}} \coloneqq \frac{A_{\text{steel}}}{A_{\text{model}}} \cdot k_{\text{steel}} = 0.07196
$$

Steel

Heat capacity pc_p

Volume steel $=$ V_{steel} = $V_{\text{ribs}} + V_{\text{bolt}}$ $i := 1...4$

$$
V_{\text{ribs}} \coloneqq \left[H_2 \cdot t_2 - n \cdot \pi \cdot \left(\frac{d_1}{2} \right)^2 \right] \cdot \left(\sum_i \Delta r_i + \frac{\Delta r_5}{2} \right) \qquad \qquad V_{\text{ribs}} = 82.52183 \qquad \text{in}^3
$$

(n is no. holes in level 2 - see C_S calc)

Add volume of non-existent holes in ribs in 4th and 5th positions:

4/8 ribs
V add.4 := 0.5.7 ·
$$
\pi \cdot \left(\frac{d_1}{2}\right)^2 \cdot \Delta r_4
$$
 V add.4 = 2.72726

 $\hspace{0.1em} \ldots$ $\overline{}$ \sim

 $\mathcal{L}^{\mathcal{L}}$. The components of the set of $\mathcal{L}^{\mathcal{L}}$

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12 rib in
\n18 segment 2/4 ribs
\nV add.5 := 0.5.0.5.12·
$$
\pi
$$
· $\left(\frac{d}{2}\right)^2$ · Δr_5 V add.5 = 2.13254
\nV ribs := V ribs + V add.4 + V add.5
\nV bolt := A_g·H₂ V bolt = 12.98599 V steel := V ribs + V bolt
\npVc p.setel := 0.286·V steel·0.13
\nV steel = 100.36762 in³
\nV model := $\frac{\pi}{8}$ · $\left(r_2^2 - R^2\right)$ ·H₂
\npc p.eff := $\frac{\rho Vc$ p.setel
\nV model
\nP0_g

Level 3 **Same approach as level 2**

Radial k

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$$
C_{\mathcal{S}} := k_{\text{steel}} \cdot \sum_{i} \frac{A_i}{\Delta r_i} e
$$
 A_i = heat transfer area of i-th rib

n = number of holes contained in Level 3. From Sec. B-B

$$
H_3 = 0.5s_2 - 0.5p_2 + n(p_2)
$$

$$
n := \frac{H_3 - 0.5 \cdot s_2 + 0.5 \cdot p_2}{p_2}
$$
 $n = 5.825$

$$
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$$

i := 1...4
\n
$$
A_i := H_3 \cdot t_2 - n \cdot \pi \cdot \left(\frac{d_2}{2}\right)^2
$$
 (i = 1...4)
\n $A_5 := 0.5 \cdot A_1$
\n $\frac{A_i}{2\pi_i} = 1.5$
\n $\sum_i \frac{A_i}{\Delta r_i} = 1.97405$
\n $\frac{1.61157}{1.61157}$
\n $\frac{1.61157}{1.61157}$
\n $\frac{1.61157}{1.61157}$
\n0.80578

 $C_c := Nu \cdot k_{air} \cdot \frac{A_c}{\Delta r_c}$

Same as level 2 only
$$
A_c
$$
 based on H_3

\nOutput

\nDescription:

$$
Nu \cdot \frac{A_C}{\Delta r_C} = \left(Nu \cdot \frac{A_C}{\Delta r_C} \right) \cdot \frac{H_3}{H_2} = 61.47438 \text{ in.}
$$

level 2

$$
C_r := h_r \cdot A_{r^{\alpha}}
$$
 $A_r := A_c \cdot \frac{H_3}{H_2}$ $A_r = 26.25761 \text{ in}^2$

 h_r same as level 2

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Axial k

Assume conduction through steel only

$$
i := 1...4
$$

\n $A_r = rib$ onduction area \approx $(t_2 - d_2) \cdot \sum_{i} \Delta r_i + \frac{t_2 - d_2}{2} \cdot \Delta r_5$
\n $A_r := (t_2 - d_2) \cdot \sum_{i} \Delta r_i + \frac{t_2 - d_2}{2} \cdot \Delta r_5$
\n $A_r = 9.25403$
\n $\frac{1}{2} \times (t_2 - d_2) \cdot \sum_{i} \Delta r_i + \frac{t_2 - d_2}{2} \cdot \Delta r_5$
\n $A_r = 9.25403$
\n $\frac{1}{2} \times (t_2 - d_2) \cdot \sum_{i} \Delta r_i + \frac{t_2 - d_2}{2} \cdot \Delta r_5$
\n A_{model}
\n A_{model}

(n is no. holes in level 3 - see C_s calc)

 $V_{\text{bolt}} := A_g \cdot H_3$ $V_{\text{bolt}} = 2.33011$ $V_{\text{steel}} := V_{\text{ribs}} + V_{\text{bolt}}$

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$$
\rho \text{Vc p. steel} \coloneqq 0.286 \cdot \text{V steel} \cdot 0.13
$$

$$
V_{\text{steel}} = 32.15707
$$
 in³

V model :=
$$
\frac{\pi}{8}
$$
 (r₂² - R²) · H₃

 $\rho c_{\text{p.eff}} \coloneqq \frac{\rho \text{Vc}_{\text{p.steel}}}{\text{V}_{\text{model}}}$ $\rho c_{\text{p.eff}} = 0.01003$ E

Level 4 Shear Plate

 $k_r = k_{\text{steel}} = k_2$ $pc_p = (pc_p)$ steel

Level 5 Same approach as level 2. Use 3/4 of Δr_i values from level 2 calculation to account for shortened rib lengths in the corners

Radial k

C_S := k _{steel} $\sum_{i} \frac{A_i}{\Delta r_i}$ $i := 1..5$ A_i = heat transfer area of *i*-th rib

n = number of holes contained in Level 5. From Sec. B-B $H_5 = s_3 - 0.5p_2 + n(p_2)$

$$
n := \frac{H_5 - s_3 + 0.5 \cdot p_2}{p_2}
$$

$$
n = 10.225
$$

 $i := 1...4$ $A_i := H_5 \cdot t_2 - n \cdot \pi \cdot \left(\frac{d_2}{2}\right)^2$ (i = 1,..4) $A_5 := 0.5 \cdot A_1$ $i := 1..5$ 2.87308 2.87308 2.87308 $rac{4}{3}$ $\cdot \left(\sum_{i} \frac{A_i}{\Delta r_i} \right)$ = 4.69243 2.87308 1.43654 $C_c := h_c·A_c$ A_C:= A_C $\frac{H_5}{H_2}$ A_C = 46.70326 in²
level 2 = $k_{\text{air}} \cdot Nu \cdot \left(\frac{A_c}{\Delta r_c}\right)$ Δr_c := Δr_c· $\frac{3}{4}$ (approx.) Δr_c = 2.95054 in. level 2 To calculate Nu, assume natural convection in a vertical passage. Use a spacing of L = Δr_c or L = 2.95054 and a height of H = H₅ or H = 4.5 in. $\frac{H}{I}$ = 1.52514

Rayleigh Number
$$
Ra := \frac{g \cdot \beta \cdot \Delta T \cdot L^3}{v \cdot \alpha} \cdot \Delta T = T_{outer steel} - T_{inner steel}
$$

 $T_{\text{avo}} \coloneqq 0.5 \cdot (500 + 200)$ $\Delta T := 500 - 200$ $\Delta T = 300$ **Use**

$$
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$$

$$
\beta := \frac{1}{\sqrt{T \, \text{avg} + 460}}
$$
\n
$$
\gamma, \alpha \text{ same as for Level 2}
$$
\n
$$
\text{Ra} := \frac{32.2 \cdot \beta \cdot \Delta T \cdot \left(\frac{L}{12}\right)^3}{\nu \cdot \alpha}
$$
\n
$$
\text{Ra} = 1.09769 \cdot 10^6
$$

Use Eq'n 126 - 129 in Chapter 6, Handbook of Heat Transfer, 2nd ed.

$$
Nu_{\text{ct}} := \left[1 + \left[\frac{0.104 \cdot Ra^{0.293}}{1 + \left(\frac{6310}{Ra} \right)^{1.36}} \right]^{3} \right]^{0.333}
$$
 Nu_{\text{ct}} = 6.11433

$$
Nu_{\parallel} := 0.242 \cdot \left(\frac{Ra \cdot L}{H}\right)^{0.273}
$$

$$
Nu_{\parallel} = 9.6122
$$

$$
Nu + := 0.0605 \cdot Ra^{0.333}
$$

Nu $t = 6.21206$

Use Nu := Nu₁ (maximum)
$$
Nu \cdot \frac{A_C}{\Delta r_C} = 152.14873
$$

 $C_T := h_T A_{T^0}$ $in²$ $A_f := A_G$ $A_r = 46.70326$

> h_r same as level 2 & 3

Axial k

Assume conduction through steel

i := 1.. 4
\n
$$
A_r = \text{rib conduction area} \approx \frac{3}{4} \cdot \left[(t_2 - d_2) \cdot \sum_i \Delta r_i + \frac{t_2 - d_2}{2} \cdot \Delta r_5 \right]
$$

\n $A_r := \frac{3}{4} \cdot \left[(t_2 - d_2) \cdot \sum_i \Delta r_i + \frac{t_2 - d_2}{2} \cdot \Delta r_5 \right]$
\n $A_r = 6.94052$
\n $\frac{\text{guide tube}}{\text{& both}}$
\nTotal steel area = $A_{\text{steel}} := A_r + A_g$
\n $A_{\text{steel}} = 7.86152$
\n $k_{\text{eff}} \cdot \left(\frac{A}{\Delta z}\right) = k_{\text{steel}} \cdot \left(\frac{A}{\Delta z}\right)$
\n $k_{\text{c}} = k_{\text{steel}} \cdot \left(\frac{A}{\Delta z}\right)$
\n $k_{\text{c}} = k_{\text{steel}} \cdot \left(\frac{A}{\Delta z}\right)$
\n $k_{\text{c}} = 8.94052$
\n $k_{\text{c}} = 1.694052$
\n k

 $k_{eff} := \frac{A_{steel}}{A_{model}} \cdot k_{steel}$ $\frac{\text{A steel}}{\text{A model}} = 0.16679$

Heat capacity pc_p

Steel

Volume steel = V steel = V ribs + V bolto

 $i := 1..4$

$$
V_{\text{ribs}} := \left[H_5 \cdot t_2 - n \cdot \pi \cdot \left(\frac{d_2}{2}\right)^2\right] \cdot \left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \cdot \left(\sum_i \Delta r_i + \frac{\Delta r_5}{2}\right) \qquad V_{\text{ribs}} = 39.88138 \qquad \text{in}^3
$$

(n is no. holes in level 5 - see C_S calc)

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$$
V_{\text{bolt}} \coloneqq A_{\text{q}} \cdot H_5 \qquad V_{\text{bolt}} = 4.14447
$$

$$
pVc_{\text{D.steel}} := 0.286 \cdot V_{\text{steel}} \cdot 0.13
$$

$$
f_{\rm{max}}
$$

 $V_{\text{steel}} := V_{\text{ribs}} + V_{\text{bolt}}$

$$
V_{\text{steel}} = 44.02584
$$
 in³

V model :=
$$
\frac{\pi}{8} \cdot (r_2^2 - R^2) \cdot H_5
$$

$$
\rho c_{p,eff} := \frac{\rho V c_{p,steel}}{V_{model}}
$$

$$
\rho c_{p,eff} = 0.00772
$$
 Btu/in^{3.-}F

Level 6 Top Plate

Radial **k**

$$
\frac{k_{\text{eff}}}{\ln\left(\frac{r_0}{r_i}\right)} = \frac{k_{\text{steel}}}{\ln\left(\frac{r_0}{r_i}\right)} \text{
$$

$$
\frac{k_{\text{eff}}}{k_{\text{steel}}} = \frac{\ln\left(\frac{r_{\text{o}.\text{model}}}{r_{\text{i}.\text{model}}}\right)}{\ln\left(\frac{r_{\text{o.steel}}}{r_{\text{i.steel}}}\right)} = 2.06338
$$

 $r_{o.\text{model}} := r_2$

 r i.model $= R$

 $r_{o.steel} := 19.875 - 2.5$

 $r_{i.steel} := r_{i.model}$

Axial k

 k eff^{-A} model = k steel^{-A} steel

A model :=
$$
\frac{\pi}{8} \cdot (r_2^2 - R^2)
$$
 A model = 47.13324

 $S := 2 \cdot (D - r_3)$

outer envelope

cask body envelope

$$
A_{\text{steel}} \coloneqq \frac{1}{8} \left[\pi \cdot (19.875 - 2.5)^2 - \left(S^2 + 4 \cdot r_3 \cdot S + \pi \cdot r_3^2 \right) \right]
$$

 $A_{\text{steel}} = 28.90027$

$$
\frac{k_{\text{eff}}}{k_{\text{steel}}} = \frac{A_{\text{steel}}}{A_{\text{model}}} = 0.61316
$$

Heat capacity pcp

$$
pc_{p.eff}
$$
 = $\frac{A_{steel}}{A_{model}}$ - $pc_{p.steel}$ = $\frac{A_{steel}}{A_{model}}$ (0.286) (0.13) = 0.0228

Btu/in³-°F

SUMMARY OF CALCULATIONS FOR IMPACT LIMITER SUPPORT STRUCTURE

Radial Conductivity **kr**

The total conductance at axial level i for the TAC2D model is (1/8 segment):

$$
C_T = \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \frac{k_r H_i}{\ln\left(\frac{r_2}{R}\right)}
$$

where r2 **=** 19.625 - 0.4 **=** 19.225 in. and R **=** 15.798 in. This gives:

$$
k_r = \left(\frac{4}{\pi}\right) \ln \left(\frac{19.225}{15.798}\right) \frac{C_T}{H_i} = \left(\frac{0.250}{H_i}\right) C_T
$$

The conductances C_T can be written in general as:

$$
C_T = f_1 k_{\text{steel}} + f_2 k_{\text{air}} + f_3 h_{\text{rad}}
$$

where f_1 , is $A/\Delta r$, f_2 is Nu($A/\Delta r$), and f_3 is A computed previously.

Thus

$$
k_r = F_1 k_{\text{steel}} + F_2 k_{\text{air}} + F_3 h_{\text{rad}}
$$

where
$$
F_j = \left(\frac{0.250}{H_i}\right) f_j
$$
 for i = 2, 3, 5 and j = 1..3

Axial Conductivity k_z

$$
k_{z} = Gk_{\text{steel}}
$$

Table 3.6.5-4 summarizes the calculations performed for the ILSS thermal properties for accident conditions.

ILSS PROPERTIES FOR NORMAL CONDITIONS MODEL

Lump the properties from Table 3.6.5-4 at each level into single values of conductivity and heat capacity for the top and bottom structures. Conduction through the liquid neutron shield is conservatively neglected.

Top ILSS

Radial kr

For conservatism, use only conduction through the steel. Then, equating total conductances gives:

Normal Conditions According to the image shows a specific formula:\n
$$
\text{Model} \quad \text{Model} \quad \text{Model}
$$
\n
$$
\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \frac{k_r H}{\ln\left(\frac{r_2}{R}\right)} = \left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \sum_{i} \frac{F_{1,i} k_{\text{steel}} H_i}{\ln\left(\frac{r_2}{R}\right)}
$$
\n
$$
k_r = k_{\text{total}} \left(\frac{1}{R}\right) \sum F_{1,i} H_i
$$

or

$$
k_r = k_{\text{steel}} \left(\frac{1}{H}\right) \sum_i F_{1,i} H_i
$$

where $H = \sum_i H_i$ is the total height = 22.25 in. Thus:

$$
k_r = 0.220 \ k_{\text{steel}}
$$

Axial **k_z**

Equating resistances:

$$
\frac{H}{Ak_z} = \sum_{i} \frac{H_i}{AG_i \ k_{\text{steel}}}
$$

where $A = \pi (r_2^2 - R^2) = 377.1$ in.²

$$
k_z = k_{\text{steel}} \frac{H}{\sum_{i} \frac{H_i}{G_i}}
$$
 Thus $k_z = 0.0943 k_{\text{steel}}$

Heat Capacity

Include the liquid neutron shield capacitance for maximum normal conditions. Equating capacitances:

model steel liquid
\n
$$
\rho c_p(HA) = \sum_i (\rho c_p)_i H_i A + (\rho c_p)_i V
$$

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where V is the liquid volume $=$ 5800 in.³ (maximum normal conditions)

or

$$
pc_p = \left(\frac{1}{H}\right) \sum_i (pc_p)_i H_i + \frac{(pc_p)_i V}{HA}
$$
 Thus

$$
\rho c_p = 13.5 + 0.691 (\rho c_p), \text{ Btu/ft}^3 - ^\circ \text{F}
$$

(TAC2D model uses 0.706 (ρc_p), ~2% difference)

Bottom ILSS

All holes are 0.624 in. diameter and there is no shear plate. Thus use level 2 properties for levels 2 **-** 5. (There is a slightly non-conservative effect in the conductivity of including the steel representing the 12x2 **+** 7x4 = 42 omitted holes from the top ILSS ribs. This is more than offset by neglecting the neutron shield.)

Radial **kr**

$$
k_r = k_{\text{steel}} \left(\frac{1}{H}\right) \left(F_{11}H_1 + \sum_{i=2}^{5} F_{12} H_i + F_{16}H_6 \right)
$$

 $k_r = 0.165 k_{\text{steel}}$

Axial k_z

$$
k_{z} = k_{\text{steel}} \left(\frac{H}{\frac{H_{1}}{G_{1}} + \sum_{i=2}^{5} \frac{H_{i}}{G_{2}} + \frac{H_{6}}{G_{6}}} \right)
$$

kz= 0.0742 ksteel

Heat capacity

$$
\rho c_p = \left(\frac{1}{H}\right) \left((\rho c_p)_1 H_1 + \sum_{i=2}^{5} (\rho c_p)_2 H_i + (\rho c_p)_6 H_6 \right) + \frac{(\rho c_p)_i V}{HA}
$$

where $V = 6274$ in.³ Thus

$$
pc_p = 11.0 + 0.748 (pc_p)
$$
, But/ft³-°F

 $(TAC2D \text{ model uses } 0.782 (\rho c_p)_t$, ~5% difference)

3.6.5.2.2 Imoact Llmiters

Inner Portion of Side Impact Limiter

Material is AL 5052 honeycomb, density 10.5 lb/ft³

Radial k_r

$$
k_{r} := 2.67 \cdot \left(\frac{t}{c}\right) \cdot k_{m^{o}}
$$
 (Ref: TRUPACT-1 SARP, GA-A18695, p. 3.6-19)
density $\rho := 2.67 \cdot \left(\frac{t}{c}\right) \cdot \rho_{m^{o}}$ (p. 3.6-22, above ref.)
Then
$$
k_{r} := \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_{m}}\right) \cdot k_{m}
$$

$$
k_{r} = 5
$$
 Btu/hr-fit-°F

$k_{r} = 5$

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For accident conditions only, add a radiation term. The heat flux is:

$$
q^{*} \text{ rad} := 0.664 \cdot \sigma \cdot \epsilon \qquad \frac{1.63}{d} + 1 \qquad \frac{2}{d} + 0.3 \qquad \frac{2}{d} + 0.3 \qquad \frac{1.63}{d} + 0.3 \qquad \frac
$$

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 $Axial_k$

$$
k_2 := 0.8 \cdot \left(\frac{t}{c}\right) \cdot k_{m^o}
$$
 (Ref: GA-A18695, p. 3.6-20)
= $0.8 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2.67}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{\rho}{\rho_m}\right) \cdot k_m = 1.49813$ Btu/hr-fit°F

Heat Capacity

 $p \cdot c_{\text{D},m} = 2.31$ Btu/ft³-°F

Outer Portion of Side Impact Limiter

 $p := 7.9$ **lb/ft³** $r_0 := 45$ $r_i := 26.25$

c := 2.67 \t\t\t
$$
\cdot \left(\frac{\rho \text{ m}}{\rho}\right)
$$
 \t\t\t $c = 0.34068$ in.

Radial k_r

$$
k_r := \frac{\rho}{\rho_m} \cdot k_m \qquad k_r = 3.7619 \qquad \text{Btu/hr-ft-°F}
$$

Radiation portion (accident only). Using the previous method,

$$
l := r_0 - r_i
$$

 $d := \frac{6 \cdot c \cdot \tan(\frac{\pi}{6})}{\pi}$ $d = 0.37565$ in.

$$
K := \frac{\ell}{12} \cdot 0.664 \cdot \epsilon \qquad (1.63 \cdot \left(\frac{\ell}{d} + 1\right)^{-.89} \cdot \left(\frac{\ell}{d} + 0.3\right)^{-.69} \qquad K = 0.06881 \quad \text{ft.}
$$

Axial k_z

$$
k_z := 0.8 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2.67} \cdot \frac{\rho}{\rho m}\right) \cdot k_m
$$
 $k_z = 1.12716$ Btu/hr-fit-°F

Heat capacity

$$
\rho \cdot c_{\text{D.m}} = 1.738 \qquad \text{Btu/ft}^3 \cdot \text{P}
$$

Corner Imoact Llmiter - Normal Conditions

Omit the cross terms k_{rz} and k_{zr} since it is conservative and the code cannot handle them.

$$
k_{\Pi} := 0.8 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2.67} \cdot \frac{\rho}{\rho_{\Pi}}\right) \cdot k_{\Pi}
$$
\n
$$
k_{\Pi} := k_{\Pi} \cdot \cos(\alpha)^{2} + k_{\Pi} \cdot \sin(\alpha)^{2}
$$
\n
$$
k_{\Pi} := k_{\Pi} \cdot \cos(\alpha)^{2} + k_{\Pi} \cdot \sin(\alpha)^{2}
$$
\n
$$
k_{\Pi} = 0.94944 \cdot \text{Btu/hr-fit-°F}
$$
\n
$$
k_{\Pi} := k_{\Pi} \cdot \sin(\alpha)^{2} + k_{\Pi} \cdot \cos(\alpha)^{2}
$$
\n
$$
k_{\Pi} = 1.64981 \cdot \text{Btu/hr-fit-°F}
$$

Heat capacity

 p Vc p.model = p Vc p.actual pc p.model = pc p.actual $\left(\frac{V \text{ actual}}{V \text{ model}}\right)$

V_{actual} = $(V_1 - V_2) + (V_3 - V_4)$ where **V**₁ := $\pi \cdot \frac{17}{3} \cdot (45^2 + 45.30 + 30^2)$ Top frustrum V_2 := π .17.17.5² Top inner cylinder $V_3 = \pi \cdot [(22.8 - 17) \cdot (45^2 - 17.5^2) + (26.2 - 22.8) \cdot 45^2]$ $V_A := \pi \cdot \frac{(26.2 - 22.8)}{26.2} \cdot (17.5^2 + 17.5.19.5 + 19.5^2)$ Bottom mid annulus bottom cylinder **V** actual $:=$ (V ₁ - V ₂) + (V ₃ - V ₄) V actual = 1.09038 \cdot 10⁵ in³ $V_{\text{model}} := \pi \cdot [22.8 \cdot (45^2 - 17.5^2) + (26.2 - 22.8) \cdot (45^2 - 19.5^2)]$ V model = 1.40679 \cdot 10⁵ in³

 V actual
P^C p.model $\equiv P \cdot c$ p.m. $\frac{V}{V}$ model pc p.model = 0.71617 Btu/ft³- \degree F

Corner Impact Limiter - Accident Conditions

The thermal resistance of the crushed portion is conservatively neglected. Only the uncrsuhed part is accounted for in the effective thermal conductiviy.

Radial k_r - (uncrushed)

 $k_r = 0.94944$ Btu/hr-ft-°F

Radiation portion. Use $0.05 \cdot \sigma \cdot (T_1^2 + T_2^2) \cdot (T_1 + T_2)$ as an estimate. Add to both radial and axial conductivities

Radial K_r - uncrushed - initial conditions

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Model geometry for initial conditions is same as accident conditions (crushed), but impact limiter is initially uncrushed. Use a conductivity that gives the same thermal conductance as that of uncrushed geometry.

$$
k_{\text{ui}} \coloneqq \left(\frac{26.2}{7.5 + 3.4}\right) \cdot k_{\text{r}}
$$
 $k_{\text{ui}} = 2.28214$ Btu/hr-fit-°F

Axial k_z - (uncrushed)

k z = 1.64981 Btu/hr-ft-°F

 $\frac{Axial}{z}$ - uncrushed - initial conditions

Using the same method as above,

$$
k_{ui} := \left(\frac{7.5 + 3.4}{26.2}\right) \cdot k_{z}
$$
 $k_{ui} = 0.68637$ Btu/hr-fit-°F

Heat capacity

Volume in model:

$$
V_{\text{model}} := \pi \cdot [7.5 \cdot (45^2 - 17.5^2) + 3.4 \cdot (45^2 - 19.5^2)]
$$
 in³

$$
V_{model} = 5.80654 \cdot 10^4
$$

$$
{}^{p}C_{p,\text{model}}
$$
 := $P \cdot C_{p,\text{m}}$ $\frac{V \text{ actual}}{V \text{ model}}$

$$
\rho \text{ model} := \rho \cdot \begin{pmatrix} V \text{ actual} \\ V \text{ model} \end{pmatrix}
$$

$$
\rho \text{ model} = 7.88693 \qquad \text{lb/ft}^3
$$

End Impact Limiter - Normal Conditions

Radial k_r

 $k_r = 0.8 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2.67} \cdot \frac{\rho}{\rho_m}\right) \cdot k_m$ $k_r = 1.49813$ Btu/hr-ft-°F

Axial k_z

$$
k_z := \frac{\rho}{\rho_m} \cdot k_m \qquad k_z = 5 \qquad \text{Btu/hr-fit-} \text{F}
$$

Heat capacity

 $p \cdot c$ p.m = 2.31 Btu/ft³-°F

End Impact Limiter - Accident Conditions

The thermal resistance of the crushed portion is conservatively neglected. Only the uncrsuhed part is accounted for in the effective thermal conductiviy.

Radial k_r - (uncrushed)

 $k_r = 1.49813$ Btu/hr-ft-°F

Radial k_r - uncrushed - initial conditions

Model geometry for initial conditions is same as accident conditions (crushed), but impact limiter is initially uncrushed. Use a conductivity that gives the same thermal conductance as that of uncrushed geometry.

$$
k_{ui} := \left(\frac{23}{7.5}\right) \cdot k_r
$$
 $k_{ui} = 4.59426$ Btu/hr-fit^oF

Axial $k₂$ - (uncrushed)

 $k_z = 5$ Btu/hr-ft-°F

Radiation portion (accident only). Using the previous method,

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$$
\ell := 7.5
$$
 in. $d := \frac{6 \cdot c \cdot \tan(\frac{\pi}{6})}{\pi}$ $d = 0.28263$ in.

$$
K := \frac{\ell}{12} \cdot 0.664 \cdot \epsilon \qquad 1.63 \cdot \left(\frac{\ell}{d} + 1\right)^{-.89} \cdot \left(\frac{\ell}{d} + 0.3\right)^{-.69} \qquad K = 0.04207 \qquad \text{ft.}
$$

Axial k_z - uncrushed - initial conditions

Using the same method as above,

$$
k_{ui} := \left(\frac{7.5}{23}\right) \cdot k_{z}
$$
 $k_{ui} = 1.63043$ Btu/hr-fit-°F

Heat capacity

$$
pc_{p,model} := p \cdot c_{p.m} \cdot \left(\frac{23}{7.5}\right)
$$
 $pc_{p,model} = 7.084$ $Btu/ft3-°F$

$$
p \text{ model} := p \cdot \left(\frac{23}{7.5}\right)
$$
 $p \text{ model} = 32.2$ lb/ft³

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3.6.6 Radial Dimensions of TAC2D Model

Typical cross section

Calculate the equivalent radii R_{eq} using equal perimeters:

$$
P = 4(D - 2R) + 2\pi R = 2\pi R_{eq}
$$

$$
R_{eq} = \frac{2}{\pi}(D - 2R) + R
$$

Thermal properties k_z , $p c_p$, and heat generation are adjusted to account for small discrepancies in the cross-sectional area. Table 3.6.6-1 gives values for $R_{\mathbf{e}\alpha}$

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3.6.7 Effective Radial Gaps for TAC2D Model

Fuel assembly/cavity gap

The fuel cavity size is 8.78 in. The calculations for spent fuel effective conductivity (Sec. 3.6.5.1) were based on an assembly envelope size of 8.432 in. (e.g., WE 15 x 15 or 17 x 17). The gap for the model is thus:

 $0.5-(8.78 - 8.432) = 0.174$ in.

Liner/DU gap at center DU rings

Define the average gap as:

$$
g_{avg} := \frac{0.5 \cdot (g_f + g_c) \cdot L_c + g_f \cdot L_f}{L_c + L_f}.
$$

where L_c and L_f are the lengths associated with the corner and flat sections. Using the DU as a basis and taking a 1/8 section,

$$
L_c := \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot r_0 + d
$$

\n
$$
L_f := \frac{18.982}{2} - (r_0 + d)
$$

\n
$$
L_f = 8.955
$$

where 18.982 is the distance across flats for theDU inner boundary. Then

$$
g_{avg} := \frac{0.5 \cdot (g_f + g_c) \cdot L_c + g_f \cdot L_f}{L_c + L_f}
$$
 $g_{avg} = 0.03653$ in.

The corner has essentially no effect. Since the model dimensions constrain the gap to be

11.953 $-$ 11.902 = 0.051 (see Table 3.6.6-1), the gap conductivity is ratioed by **0.051** _ 1.41667 to achieve the correct thermal resistance. 0.036

Liner/DU gap at end DU rings

Based on the previous results, use the gap at the flats for the average gap.

$$
g_{avg} = g_f = 0.051
$$
 in.

No ratioing of conductivity needed since the model gap = actual gap.
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DU/Cask body gap

$$
g_f := 0.020
$$
 in. nominal
\n $g_c := 0.082$
\n $r_0 := 4.34$ *cash body*
\n $r_i := 4.47$ *DU*

 $d := r_1 + g_1 - r_0$ $d = 0.15$

Use the same method as before

$$
L_c := \frac{\pi}{4} \cdot r_0 + d
$$

\n
$$
L_f := \frac{24.322}{2} - (r_0 + d)
$$

\n
$$
L_f = 7.671
$$

where 24.322 is the distance across flats for the cask body inner boundary. Then

$$
g_{avg} := \frac{0.5 \cdot (g_f + g_c) \cdot L_c + g_f \cdot L_f}{L_c + L_f}
$$
 $g_{avg} = 0.02982$ in.

Model gap = $14.298 - 14.237 = 0.061$ Apply ratio of $\frac{0.061}{0.030} = 2.03333$ to the conductivity.

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3.6.8 Decay Heat Input for TAC2D Model

Decay heat function curve fit (see Fig. 3.4-2):

$$
q(x) := 1.356 + 0.2643 \cdot x - 6.716 \cdot 10^{-3} \cdot x^2 + 8.346 \cdot 10^{-5} \cdot x^3 - 5.628 \cdot 10^{-7} \cdot x^4 \dots
$$

+ 2.042 \cdot 10^{-9} \cdot x^5 - 3.668 \cdot 10^{-12} \cdot x^6
x = in.
q = Watts/in

 $Q(x) := 1.0037 \cdot q(x)$ (Adjust to give 617 W total when integrated)

TAC2D model grid spacings are **ORIGIN** 1 **1** at 16 regular intervals of 9 in.

Integrate to obtain heat in TAC2D intervals

 $i := 1$.. 16

$$
h_i := \int_{X_i}^{X_i + 1} Q(x) dx
$$

Axial Power Profile

$$
\sum_{i} h_i = 617.001
$$
 Watts total

$$
APP_i := \frac{\binom{h_i}{9}}{\binom{617}{144}}
$$

Avg. volumetric heat generation in TAC2D model =

$$
q' \text{avg} \coloneqq \frac{Q' \text{ tot}}{V \text{ model}} \circ \qquad Q' \text{ tot} \coloneqq (4) \cdot 3.413 \cdot \left(\sum_i h_i\right) \qquad Q' \text{ tot} = 8.423 \cdot 10^3
$$

gap
\n
$$
V_{model} := \frac{\pi \cdot (11.528 - 0.174)^2 \cdot 144}{1728}
$$
\n
$$
V_{model} = 33.749 \text{ ft}^3
$$

q' $avg := \frac{Q' tot}{V model}$ q' avg = 249.583 Btu/hr-ft³ Then q' TAC $:= q'$ avg \cdot APP_{i^o}

3.6.9 2-D Cross-section Analysis

We constructed a local TAC2D model to obtain the temperature distribution in the x-y plane (i.e., through an axial slice) of the cask at the mid-section. This model provides a detailed temperature distribution in the spent fuel assembly (SFA) and fuel support structure (FSS), whereas these components were "smeared" in the r-z model of Section 3.4. Results of the x-y model are used for two purposes:

- confirm the radial conductivity of the SFA/FSS combined material used in the \bullet r-z model (i.e., material no. 4 in Section 3.6.1).
- select the appropriate nodal coordinates from the r-z model that represent maximum and average temperatures at a given cross-section.

Figure 3.6.9-1 shows the model, which assumes symmetry and treats a 1/4-section. Rectangular (x-y) geometry is used, with the gridlines determined by the square outline of the components. The small effect of the rounded comers is neglected. For the round outer skin, the model perimeter is equal to the actual perimeter to preserve the correct heat transfer area.

Properties are given in Section 3.6.1 and use only materials numbered 1-3 and 6-10. We modeled the neutron shield as before with natural convection in a horizontal annulus using the correlation for material 9. The neutron shield is considered a perfectly-mixed coolant at a given cross-section, and therefore is treated with a uniform temperature in this x-y model. To facilitate modeling of the coolant, the effective thermal conductivity calculated by the correlation is converted to an equivalent heat transfer coefficient to be applied to the cask body and outer skin:

$$
h = 20.2 \, k_e \left(\frac{1}{P_b} + \frac{1}{P_s} \right),
$$

where

 h = heat transfer coefficient,

 20.2 = conduction shape factor (see Section 3.6.2.1),

 k_e = effective conductivity (see Section 3.6.2.1),

 P_b = perimeter of cask body (TAC2D model),

 P_s = perimeter of outer skin (TAC2D model).

Boundary conditions and solar radiation are the same as for the model of Section 3.4. The decay heat is 617 W per assembly with the peaking factor of 1.24 applied.

Figure 3.6.9-2 gives the temperature distribution in the x-y model. These temperatures will be higher than those predicted by the r-z model of Section 3.4 since axial conduction is not accounted for here. However, if the r-z model of Section 3.4 is run with the axial conductivity zeroed out at the mid-section (the section with decay heat peaking factor of 1.24),

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External surfaces recieve solar radiation and lose heat via convection and radiation

All gaps are modeled with conduction and radiation

Fig. 3.6.9-1. Cross-section TAC2D model

Fig. 3.6.9-2. Temperatures (°F) for cross-section model

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we can compare the two models directly since both will have no axial conduction. Fig. 3.6.9-3 shows the r-z model with this change. The location at $J = 20$ has the axial conductivity set to zero and therefore represents the same axial slice and boundary conditions as the x-y model.

The following table shows the two models compare well for the average temperatures of those components explicitly represented: r-z model

In addition, the volume-averaged cavity temperature calculated from the x-y model (explicitly representing the SFA and FSS) is 281°F and matches that predicted by the 1-D slice of the r-z model (combined SFA/FSS). This results from a trial-and-error selection for a correction factor on the radial conductivity of the SFNFSS material in the 1-D model. This factor was established at 1.46 and is therefore used in the complete r-z model, as indicated in Section 3.6.5.1.4.

Further comparisons between the two results establishes the coordinates from the r-z model to use in determining temperatures at various cross-section locations. For example, from Fig. 3.6.9-2, the maximum FSS temperature is 305°F (center). Referring to Fig. 3.6.9-3, this temperature is bracketed by T(3,20) and T(4,20), and can be written as the following normalized linear combination of the two:

T(FSS center) = **305** = 0.696"T(3,20) + 0.304"T(4,20)

Similar reasoning is used to obtain the FSS average cross-section temperature, which is 281°F from volume-averaging the x-y model results. In terms of the r-z model:

T(FSS avg.) = 281. = **0.771** *T(4,20) + **0.229*T(5,20)**

The temperature of the FSS radial end (at the interface with the liner) predicted by the x-y model is 232°F and is the same as the interface temperature between the SFA/FSS and the liner calculated by the r-z model.

Table 3.6.9-1 extends this method to all cross-section components. After establishing the equations at the mid-section $(J = 20)$, these are generalized to any axial position by replacing the index 20 with J, i.e.,

 $T(x,y,z) = a_1 T(l_1,J) + a_2 T(l_2,J)$

These equations are the basis for the plot of Fig. 3.4-4.

Fig. 3.6.9-3. R-Z TAC2D model results (°F) with zero axial conductivity at midsection

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4. CONTAINMENT

4.1 Containment Boundary

The containment boundary consists of the cask body (cask body wall, flange and bottom plate), cask closure, gas sample port, drain valve and the primary O-ring seals. One O-ring, located in the inner dovetail groove in the cask closure, seals the interface between the cask body and the cask closure. A second O-ring is located on the gas sample port in the closure, and a third on the drain valve in the bottom head of the cask. Figures 4.1-1 through 4.1-3 show the structural components and the 0-ring seals that form the containment boundary.

4.1.1 Containment Vessel

The cask body and closure for the GA-4 cask are fabricated from SA-240, Type XM-19 stainless steel. The cask body wall is 1.5 in. thick. The bottom plate is 9.5 in. thick. The closure is 11.0 in. thick.

4.1.2 Containment Penetrations

A gas sample port in the closure and a drain valve in the bottom plate are the only two penetrations into the containment vessel (see Fig. 4.1-1). All ports are made from SA-240, Type XM-19 stainless steel. We designed all components of the ports to maintain the required leaktight (1 x 10⁻⁷ std-cm³/s) containment during both normal conditions of transport and hypothetical accident conditions.

4.1.3 Seals and Welds

4.1.3.1 Containment Boundary O-ring Seals. The O-ring seals must function properly between -40°F and 143°F during normal conditions of transport. During the hypothetical accident condition thermal event, the O-ring seals must function properly at a temperature of 300°F. The closure primary O-ring is 0.375 in. in diameter and is compressed 25%, nominal. This amount of squeeze, 0.093 in., allows the O-ring seal to function properly during the maximum expected displacement of the cask closure and cask body interface; see Section 4.3. Close-tolerance O-ring seals and special dovetail groove dimensions are used in order to obtain the specified squeeze. The closure seals are Parker E-0740-75 ethylene propylene elastomer.

4.1.3.2 Containment Boundary Welds. We have designed and will qualify, fabricate, inspect, and accept all containment boundary welds in accordance with the requirements of Section III, Subsection NB, of the ASME Code (Ref. 4.1-1); NUREG/CR-3019, "Recommended Welding Criteria for Use in the Fabrication of Shipping Containers for Radioactive Materials"; and I NUREG/CR-3854, "Fabrication Criteria for Shipping Containers." Section 1.3.1 describes the Quality Assurance Program.

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Fig. 4.1-2. Detail of containment boundary at closure

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Fig. 4.1-3. Detail of containment boundary at drain

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4.1.4 Closure

The cask closure consists of a Type XM-19 stainless steel plate which is attached to the cask body with 12 1-in. bolts having threaded inserts. The material specification for the bolts is ASME SB-637, Alloy N07718. Each bolt is torqued to 235 **±** 15 ft-lb.

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4.2 Requirements for Normal Conditions of Transport

We designed all components of the containment boundary in accordance with established criteria and then performed tests and analysis to verify compliance with the criteria. Analysis shows that, during all normal conditions, the containment vessel meets the structural criteria in Section 2.1 and the O-ring seals remain below allowable temperatures and maintain sufficient compression. We have verified the seal design by performing a test on a full-scale closure and seal configuration (Section 4.5.1).

4.2.1 Containment of Radioactive Material

The cask design permits no release of radioactive material, demonstrated to a sensitivity of A₂ x 10⁻⁶ Ci/hr. This criterion is met by maintaining a leaktight containment boundary as defined in ANSI N14.5-1987 (Ref. 4.2-1).

4.2.2 Pressurization of Containment Vessel

We calculated the maximum normal operating pressure (MNOP) in Section 3.4.4. We included this pressure in the loading combinations that were defined in Section 2.1 and evaluated in Section 2.6. The results show that the structural allowable stresses are met.

4.2.3 Containment Criterion

The verifiable containment criterion for a leaktight containment is a leakage test that shows leakage to be less than 1 x **10-7** std-cm3/s (air) or 1.96 x **10-7** cm3/s (helium). The cask is designed to a leaktight capability as defined in ANSI N14.5. Section 4.5.1 discusses full-scale closure seal tests, which demonstrate that the primary seal is leaktight for normal conditions of transport. The test procedure for the containment system assembly verification and for periodic leakage tests will be described in the Operation and Maintenance Manual. Results from half-scale model testing will also be used to confirm leaktightness.

For the containment system assembly verification pre-shipment test, ANSI N14.5-1987 requires a leakage test with a sensitivity of 1 x 10⁻³ std-cm³/s. A pressure rise test is adequate for this purpose. For the containment system fabrication and periodic verification tests, ANSI N14.5-1987 requires that the leakage test procedure have a sensitivity of 5 X **10-8** std-cm³/s to demonstrate that the package is leaktight. Section 8.1.3.2 contains a description of the procedure for the containment system fabrication and periodic verification tests.

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4.3 Requirements of the Hvyothetical Accident Conditions

We designed all components of the containment boundary in accordance with established criteria and then performed tests and analysis to verify that the criteria were met. Conservative analysis shows (1) that during all hypothetical accident conditions, the containment boundary meets the structural criteria in Section 2.1 and, (2) that the O-ring seals remain below allowable temperatures and maintain sufficient compression. According to the manufacturer's data (Section 3.3), the maximum O-ring temperature of 300°F during the hypothetical accident condition thermal event allows the seal to function for 1000 hr. The maximum O-ring transient local decompression due to bending of the closure caused by a thermal gradient during the thermal event is equal to 0.024 in. (see Sec. 2.7.3) out of an initial minimum nominal compression of 0.093 in. We have verified the seal design by performing a test on a full-scale closure and seal configuration (Section 4.5.1).

4.3.1 Fission Gas Products

Since the containment criterion is a leaktight cask, the quantity of gas fission products is not necessary for containment analysis.

4.3.2 Containment of Radioactive Materials

The GA-4 cask design allows no release of krypton-85 exceeding $10A₂$ in one week and no escape of radioactive material exceeding a total amount $A₂$ in one week. We meet this criterion by maintaining a leaktight containment boundary as defined in ANSI N14.5-1987 (Ref. 4.2-1).

4.3.3 Containment Criterion

The verifiable containment criterion for a leaktight containment is a leakage test that shows leakage to be less than 1 x **10-7** std-cm³ /s (air) or 1.96 x **10-7** cm3/s (helium). The cask is designed to a leaktight capability as defined in ANSI N14.5. Section 4.5.1 discusses full-scale closure seal tests and demonstrates that the primary seal is leaktight for hypothetical accident conditions of transport. The test procedure for the containment system assembly verification and for periodic verification leakage tests will be described in the Operation and Maintenance Manual. Results from half-scale model testing will be used to confirm leaktightness.

For the containment system assembly verification pre-shipment test, ANSI N14.5-1987 requires a leakage test with a sensitivity of 1×10^{-3} std-cm³/s. A pressure rise test is adequate for this purpose. For the containment system fabrication and periodic verification tests, ANSI N14.5-1987 requires that the leakage test procedure have a sensitivity of 5 X **10-8** std-cm³/s to demonstrate that the package is leaktight. Section 8.1.3.2 contains a description of the procedure for the containment system fabrication and periodic verification tests.

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4.4 Special Requirements

Four PWR fuel elements contain more than 20 curies of plutonium. However, reactor fuel elements are exempt from the requirements of 10 CFR Part 71.63(b); therefore, we have not included a separate inner container.

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4.5 Appendix

4.5.1 Full-scale Closure Seal Tests

4.5.1.1 Summary. The primary O-ring seal of the cask was tested for leakage using a full scale mockup of the cask closure and flange. The seal material was E-0740-75, an ethylene propylene compound supplied by Parker Seal Group, Parker Hannifin Corporation. The tests were performed at temperatures of ambient, -42° , 250°, and 380°F. Shim plates between the fixture lid and flange, ranging from 0 to 0.038 in., simulated gaps resulting from thermal-induced distortion. The leakage testing was carried out by means of a helium mass spectrometer leak detector (MSLD), following ANSI N14.5-1987 (Ref. 4.2-1). All tests were performed at Wyle Laboratories, Norco, Califomia.

Results showed that the primary seal maintained leaktightness for all test conditions. After pressurization of the test fixture, permeation of the helium gas through the seal was observed to begin in about 20 minutes for the ambient test and in 1-2 minutes for the tests at elevated temperatures. To verify that the MSLD readings were due to permeation and not real leakage, a response check was conducted in which a calibrated leak source of approximately 1 x **10"⁷**std cm3/s was inserted in the detector line near the seal. When the leak source was activated, the detector responded within seconds.

4.5.1.2 Test Set-up. A typical test set-up is shown in Fig. 4.5-1 and illustrated schematically in Fig. 4.5-2. The test fixture consists of a lid and flange and is a full-scale representation of the cross section of the cask closure end. Two dovetail grooves in the lid hold the primary and secondary O-ring seals. The grooves and O-ring seals precisely model the full-scale cask. All fixture materials are fabricated from 304 stainless steel. The fixture lid weighs approximately 170 **lb** and the flange 180 lb. The fixture lid attaches to the flange with 20 1-in. bolts that thread into nuts tack-welded to the bottom of the flange. The bolts are torqued to 100 ft-lb. Shim plates extending all around the fixture's perimeter maintain uniform specified gaps between the lid and flange.

From operational and handling considerations it was not feasible to fabricate the test lid to the actual closure thickness of 11 in. Since the test was a verification of the seal performance under the actual temperatures and amounts of compression experienced in the package, seal and groove dimensions were identical to those in the package. The number of bolts was increased from 12 to 20 in the test only to minimize local deflection between bolts of the relatively thin 1-in. lid. This local deflection is absent in the actual package due to the considerably thicker and stiffer lid. The bolt torque in the test was less than actual (100 versus 235 ft-lb) but the seals are fully compressed in both the test and package configurations. Once the seals are fully compressed in their grooves and metal-to-metal contact is established, additional bolt torque produces no further compression of the seals. For the reduced compression predicted by the accident analysis, shims of a known thickness were inserted between the lid and its base to duplicate this effect.

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Fig. 4.5-2. Schematic of test arrangement

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Prior to testing, the small volume between the flange and lid is initially evacuated. When the test begins, this volume is filled with helium to atmospheric pressure. A second port located between the O-rings is continuously evacuated by the MSLD, and the detector measures the helium leakage past the primary (inner) O-ring. The detector output is recorded by a conventional strip chart recorder.

For the tests carried out in the conditioning chamber, the fixture temperatures near the inner seal are measured by two thermocouples (Type T) and recorded.

4.5.1.3 Test Results. Four tests were carried out with E-0740-75 seals and the results are shown in the following table. One set of seals was used for the test at -40°F, and another set was used for the other three tests. The first two tests simulated normal conditions of transport, while the last two represented hypothetical accident conditions. For the latter conditions, the thermal and thermal stress analyses (Sections 3.5 and 2.7.3) predict a maximum lid/flange gap of 0.024 in., corresponding to a seal temperature of 240°F, while 300°F is the maximum seal temperature, corresponding to a zero gap. The conditions used in the test are therefore conservative.

Test data are summarized above. Results are given in terms of test conditions, i.e.,
helium leakage at the test temperature with an upstream pressure of 1 atm in the fixture cavity
and a downstream pressure of less than 0. seal interspace. The definition of leaktight in ANSI N14.5-1987 (Ref. 4.2-1) assumes air at a standard temperature of 77°F (298 K) as the leakage gas. No conversion of test results to air standard conditions was made. Such a conversion would give leakage rates less than the helium rate, and the helium rate is therefore conservative.

The test at -42 ^oF was allowed to proceed for 5 minutes, while the remaining tests were carried out for longer times to investigate the effect of permeation. Figures 4.5-3 through 4.5-5 show the leakage plotted against time for the tests at ambient, 250°, and 380°F. Time 0 corresponds to 1 atm helium pressure in the fixture cavity. (Typically, less than 30 seconds were required to achieve this from the time the valve was first opened.) In Fig. 4.5-3 permeation is clearly evident from the slow rise in detector output following some 20 minutes of no indicated leakage. Figures 4.5-4 and 4.5-5 show permeation beginning much more rapidly, as expected with higher temperatures, with the leakage showing no change for 1-2 minutes after pressurization.

Following the last test, a response check was carried out to verify that an actual leak would be observed within a time much less than 1 minute. The calibrated standard leak of 1.7 \times 10⁻⁷ was connected to the detector line where it entered the test fixture. With the leak standard valve open, an arbitrary reference point of time 0 was marked and the valve was closed one minute later. The detector responded virtually instantaneously. After another minute the valve was opened again, producing another immediate response. The entire sequence was then repeated, with the same results.

4.5.1.4 Conclusions. The tests carried out confirmed the leaktightness of the E-0740-75 inner (primary) seal under normal and hypothetical accident conditions of transport for the GA-4 cask. The leaktightness is inferred by observing that for ambient conditions the MSLD reading did not increase by more than 1 x **10-7** during a 20-minute period following pressurization of the fixture cavity to 1 atm helium. For elevated temperatures the indicated leakage increased after holding at background for at least one minute. Since a response check showed that an actual leak would be observed within seconds, the indicated "leakage" is actually permeation.

4.5.2 References for Sections 4.1 through 4.2

- 4.1-1 American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), *Boiler and Pressure Vessel Code.*
- 4.2-1 American National Standards Institute, "American National Standard for Leakage Tests on Packages for Shipment of Radioactive Material," ANSI N14.5-1987.

Fig. 4.5-3. Test results, 0.010-in. gap, ambient temperature

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Fig. 4.5-4. Test results, 0.038-in. gap, 250°F

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Fig. 4.5-5. Test results, zero-gap, 380°F

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TABLES

5. SHIELDING EVALUATION

The GA-4 legal weight truck cask utilizes a combination of depleted uranium (DU) and stainless steel, primarily for gamma shielding, \lceil

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.]Optimum amounts and thicknesses of neutron and gamma shielding, with the densest material placed toward the inside of the cask, are provided to achieve the most efficient cask geometry. For simplicity in design and ease of fabrication, the top and bottom ends of the cask use a solid stainless steel structure that provides sufficient shielding for both neutrons and gammas.

5.1 Discussion and Results

The GA-4 cask provides radiation shielding engineered to meet the regulatory requirements of 10 CFR Part 71 for both normal conditions of transport and hypothetical accident conditions. Our approach to shielding design is to optimize the cask shielding configuration for minimum weights and maximum payloads. The optimization method involves use of the most effective shielding materials, square cross-section geometry with rounded comers for gamma shielding, and tapered shielding sections in the non-fuel regions. In addition, the trade-off between the thicknesses of the neutron and gamma shields enables us to select an optimum design in which the cask weight is at a minimum.

The shielding analysis is based on four pressurized-water reactor (PWR) assemblies with fuel burnups of 35 GWd/MTU and a cooling time of 10 years and 45 GWd/MTU and a cooling time of 15 years. We generated the neutron and gamma source data with the SAS2 module of SCALE-4.1, using a representative bumup profile for the active fuel region. The gamma source terms for the non-fuel regions were obtained by using activation ratios related to the active fuel region.

The shielding analyses considered both normal and hypothetical accident conditions to comply with 10 CFR Part 71. The shielding models for these two conditions differ only in the assumption that the neutron shield and outer skin remain intact during normal transport but completely disappear following a hypothetical accident event. This is conservative since, as shown in Section 2.10.11, the neutron shield outer skin will survive the accident conditions.

The results of the analyses (including the high-burnup fuel analyses) are shown in Table 5.1-1. These results show that radiation levels outside the cask are all within the regulatory dose rate limits for transportation. In these tables the package surface is defined as the surface of the top and bottom impact limiters and the cylindrical surface of the outer skin. The dose rate for the side of the package is the peak dose rate that occurs on the outer skin. The "top" and "bottom' package surface dose rates are the peak dose rates found anywhere on the top and bottom impact limiters respectively. The "2 m from vehicle, side" dose rate is the peak dose rate found anywhere on a vertical plane 2 m from the trailer's side edge. The rear dose rate refers to a point 2 m behind the back end of the trailer along the axis of the cask. The "back of cab" dose rate is that found on the back of the tractor cab along the central axis of the cask. The tables intentionally omit the dose rate 2 m in front of the trailer (when the tractor is not attached), since the 2-mR/h dose rate limit at the rear of the tractor cab is more restrictive.

Table 5.1-1 presents the dose rate results with two and three significant digits to be consistent with the results shown on the dose rate maps in Section 5.4. The results are based on three-dimensional (3-D) Monte Carlo calculations. There is a statistical uncertainty of about 4% (one sigma) for the 2-m dose rates. Other calculational uncertainties due to physical modeling and cross sections are relatively small, as demonstrated by validation of the shielding analysis calculational methods.

5.2 Source Specification

GA used the SAS2 module of SCALE-4.1 (Ref. 5.2-1) to generate the neutron and gamma source terms for PWR fuels. The SAS2 module uses ORIGEN-S, to generate the necessary source term data for shielding and thermal evaluations of spent fuel shipping casks. Table 5.2-1 presents the basis for the source terms used in the shielding analysis for the GA-4 cask. The source specification for the shielding design assumes an axial distribution in the active fuel region; this was obtained from Ref. 5.2-2. This section presents the details of the source term generation, including the SAS2 models and the resulting neutron and gamma source terms for representative PWR spent fuel.

SAS2 Models

We generated the source term data by using the SAS2 control module in SCALE-4.1. The **SAS2** control module computes gamma and neutron source terms for fuel assemblies of a given reactor history and cooling time. Time-dependent cross sections for a given set of reactor characteristics are computed from two-dimensional simulations, with one dimensional transport neutronics models that account for resonance self-shielding. The functional modules of SCALE 4 called by SAS2 are BONAMI-S, NITAWL-S, XSDRNPM-S, COUPLE, ORIGEN-S, and XSDOSE.

The PWR model represents a standard Westinghouse 15 X 15 PWR fuel assembly with an axial burnup distribution (Ref. 5.2-3). The fueled region is broken up into eleven axial regions to model the axial bumup distribution as shown in Fig. 5.2-1. Table 5.2-2 gives the axial length of each burnup zone. Six separate SAS2 calculations were performed, one for each bumup level used to approximate the axial distribution. For each case an initial enrichment of 3.0 wt % U-235 was used.

Distance from Bottom of Active Fuel Zone (in.)

Fig. 5.2-1. Representative PWR axial burnup distribution

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For a given bumup, this enrichment produces a conservative source as compared to higher initial enrichments. The fuel is burned for three cycles, with cooling between the cycles and 10 years or 15 years cooling after the last cycle. The **SAS2** models include soluble boron to control excess reactivity. Table 5.2-3 lists the input parameters for the **SAS2** models.

The radiation sources in a spent fuel assembly come from four basic regions: the active fuel (including such components as fuel, cladding, spacer grids, and instrument or guide tubes); the bottom tie plate and skirt; the plenum (including spring); and the top tie plate. The active fuel region includes both gamma and neutron sources while the other three non-fuel regions only include gamma sources. Only the Co-60 source, from activation of the Co-59 in the non fueled regions, contributes to the dose rates outside the cask; it is therefore the only activation product considered in these regions.

5.2.1 Gamma Source

The gamma source for the fuel region includes primary gammas, X rays, conversion photons, (α, n) photons, prompt and fission-product gammas from spontaneous fission, and bremsstrahlung radiation. The non-fuel region source terms were obtained by using activation ratios related to the fuel region (given in Ref. 5.2-3, developed by Croff). Tables 5.2-4a, 5.2-4b and 5.2-5 provide the gamma source terms for the fuel and non-fuel regions, respectively. Only gamma groups 10-13 contribute significantly to gamma dose rates outside the cask, so only these gamma groups are treated in the shielding analyses.

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5.2.2 Neutron Source

The neutron source terms consist of the contributions from (α,n) and spontaneous fission. Tables 5.2-6a and 5.2-6b list the neutron source spectrum as provided by **SAS2** for each fuel region.

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5.3 Model Specification

5.3.1 Description of Radial and Axial Shielding Configuration

Figures 5.3-1 and 5.3-2 show the axial and radial (at midplane) shielding configurations of the GA-4 cask. Table 5.3-1 lists the pertinent shielding thicknesses for the cask. Each layer of structure and shielding is shaped to fit closely around the fuel cavity to minimize weight. The flat and comer portions of the sidewall have different shielding thicknesses for weight optimization.

The cask weight is further optimized by placing the densest materials toward the inside of the cask. The first layer outside the cavity liner is the DU gamma shielding. The next layer is the Type XM-19 austenitic stainless steel containment boundary wall, followed by the Proprietary Information \Box neutron shield material. Finally, the entire cask is encasted Ineutron shield material. Finally, the entire cask is encased in a smooth Type XM-19 stainless steel skin, to ensure ease of decontamination after contact with the fuel pool water.

The closure and bottom plate of the cask use XM-19 stainless steel with sufficient thickness for both neutron and gamma shielding. The shielding effect of the impact limiters, including the impact limiter housing, on both ends of the cask is disregarded for conservatism.

The shielding configurations for normal transport and hypothetical accident conditions are different only with regard to the neutron shielding and outer skin. The neutron shielding remains intact for normal conditions of transport, whereas complete loss of the neutron shield is assumed for hypothetical accident conditions. The outer stainless steel skin, which encases the neutron shielding between the impact limiters, is also disregarded in the accident condition model.

For normal conditions, the dose rate points are placed at the surface of the package, at 2 m from the edge of the transporter, and at the rear of the tractor cab. The dose rate points for hypothetical accident conditions are located at I m from the damaged cask surface after loss of the neutron shield and the impact limiters as well. The locations of the dose rate points used for the normal and hypothetical accident conditions are shown in Section 5.4, along with the dose rate maps.

5.3.2 Shield Regional Densities

Standard reference handbooks and material suppliers provided the material property data for shielding analysis. The ORNL SCALE-4.1 code package (Ref. 5.2-1) contains a standard material data library for common elements, compounds, and mixtures. Suppliers provided the data for other materials.

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(a)Flats/comer thicknesses for side wall

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Table 5.3-2 provides a compilation of all the relevant materials used for the GA-4 cask. The fuel region of the PWR assemblies is modeled as a homogeneous **U02** mixture, with the uranium density being equal to the fuel loading (MTU) divided by the volume of the cask cavity fuel region. We conservatively neglected the shielding properties of all other materials in the fuel region. The gas plenum regions were treated as a homogeneous smear of the Zircaloy cladding over the entire plenum region. The top- and bottom-end-fitting regions were modeled as air, thus neglecting all shielding properties of the end-fitting materials. Table 5.3-3 provides the smeared PWR fuel assembly material data used in the analyses.

For shielding analysis we used the same shield regional densities for both normal conditions of transport and hypothetical accident conditions, except for the neutron shield material. The neutron shield region and its associated outer skin is assumed to become a void region after a hypothetical accident thermal event.

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5.4 Shielding Evaluation

Shielding evaluation, which considered both normal and hypothetical accident conditions, consisted of neutron and gamma shielding analysis to demonstrate shielding adequacy and compliance with 10 CFR Part 71. This section presents the details of the shielding evaluations, including assumptions, cross-section data, flux-to-dose conversion factors, and computer codes used.

5.4.1 Assumptions

We made the following assumptions in the shielding analysis:

- 1. The radiation sources are uniformly distributed in fourteen separate axial homogenized regions inside the fuel cavity liner. The analysis models the top hardware, gas plenum, eleven active fuel regions, and bottom hardware.
- 2. No credit is taken for the shielding properties of the end nozzles of PWR fuel assemblies.
- 3. The model Includes shield materials at nominal thickness.
- 4. An 8-ft-wide semitrailer is used, with 19.6 **ft** between the top of the impact limiter and the rear of the tractors cab.
- 5. The cask is mounted on the trailer with the corner facing downwards.
- 6. The impact limiters on the top and bottom ends of the cask are treated as void regions, including the 0.25-in. XM-19 impact limiter housing.
- 7. The fuel assemblies are assumed to be at the ends of the cask cavity in the dose rate calculations for both the top and the bottom of the cask.

5.4.2 Cross-section Data

The computer codes used for shielding analysis include the PATH point-kemel integration code (Ref. 5.4-1), DORT transport code (Ref. 5.4-2), the CSASN module of SCALE 4.3 (Ref. 5.4-3) for cross-section data, and MCNP Monte Carlo Code (Ref. 5.4-4). The cross section data required for these codes are described below.

The PATH code is a gamma shielding program, based on the common point-kernel integration attenuation coefficients for gamma shielding analysis. No additional cross-section data need be supplied.

For the transport calculations with DORT (gap analysis), the CSASN module of the Oak Ridge SCALE-4.3 package was used to generate the resonance corrected AMPX working library formatted cross sections. The standard SCALE 27 neutron and 18 gamma group structure was chosen in the process, since it is the only coupled set available in SCALE-4.3 with resonance parameters.

The CSASN module processes the two functional modules in a sequence. Those are BONAMI (resonance shielding treatment with Bondarenko data), and NITAWL (resonance shielding treatment with Nordheim method). The resonance corrected library cross sections were fed into ICE module to generate the ANISN library-formatted cross sections.

The sequence CSASN-ICE is identical with the module CSASI in the functional aspect, except that the ANISN library-formatted cross sections were defaulted as binary in the CSASI module. Therefore, the CSASN-ICE sequence was used in this analysis.

Finally, the GIP module was used in the DOS system to generate the group independent library for the DORT calculations.

MCNP is a complete shielding code with built-in cross-section data for neutrons and gammas. The code eliminates the need for external cross-section generation, as required for the transport codes, since MCNP uses a pointwise energy grid for the cross-section data.

5.4.3 Dose Rate Conversion Factors

A standard set of the flux-to-dose conversion factors is provided in ANSI/ANS 6.1.1-1977 (Ref. 5.4-5) for both neutrons and gammas as a function of energy. This set was selected for converting the calculated neutron gamma fluxes from the transport and Monte Carlo codes to the respective dose rates.

Table 5.4-1 gives the conversion factors for the transport calculations with DORT by energy group, corresponding to the 40-group structure used in the calculations. The MCNP Monte Carlo calculations use pointwise energy conversion factors as provided in Table 5.4-2.

5,4.4 Computer Code Selection

Shielding analysis used a variety of validated computer codes, including the two dimensional (2-D) DORT (Ref. 5.4-2) transport code, the 3-D PATH point-kernel code (Ref. 5.4-1), and the 3-D Monte Carlo MCNP code (Ref. 5.4-4). These codes have been benchmarked and validated in accordance with Quality Assurance Program Requirements for Nuclear Facilities, ASME NQA-1 -1989 Edition, Supplementary Requirements for Computer Program Testing Supplement 11S-2.

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5.4.5 Shieldino Calculations

We performed shielding calculations to obtain the total dose rate from all contributing source components:

- 1. Primary neutron source (and subcritical multiplication) from spent fuel.
- 2. Secondary neutron source from additional fission in fuel and DU.
- 3. Primary gamma source from fuel and associated hardware.
- 4. Secondary gamma source from neutron interactions with the fuel assemblies and cask materials.
- 5. Scattering source from air and ground.
- 6. Gaps in gamma shield.

The analytical procedures for determination of the various dose rate contributions are described below.

5.4.5.1 Gamma Analysis. We used two codes, MCNP and PATH, to treat the primary gamma source in the active fuel region. The primary gamma source in the associated hardware was analyzed with PATH only.

The MCNP code was first used to calculate the gamma dose rates at the cask midplane. MCNP explicitly models the unconventional cask geometry with its variable shield thicknesses. In the MCNP model, the DU shield and the neutron shield in the cask body were subdivided into several subregions to obtain the radial dependence of the dose rates on the material thicknesses. Dose rates were calculated over several azimuthal regions (1) to determine the azimuthal variation of the dose rates on the cask surface and at 2 m from the edge of the transporter and (2) to ensure adequate shielding. Figures 5.4-1a and 5.4-1b show sketches of axial and radial cross-sections of the MCNP model.

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The PATH point-kernel gamma shielding code was used to supplement the MCNP code. PATH calculates the exponential attenuation of gamma rays and applies single-medium buildup factors to produce the final results. PATH employs certain approximations as necessitated by the point-kernel integration method and therefore requires corrections to the results. The PATH results were normalized to the MCNP results for a comparable calculation in order to obtain an overall correction factor.

The PATH code enabled us to specify as many dose rate points as desired around the cask. The explicit MCNP 3-D physical model was used to normalize the PATH calculations. The dose rate points were specified at various locations on the package surface, at 2 m from the edge of the transporter, and at the back of the cab. The results at these points encompassed the radial, axial, and azimuthal variations of the dose rates external to the cask.

Corrections to the PATH results were made at the side of the cask to account for the buildup factors through the composite shields, the normalization factor used to correct-the PATH results was based on the MCNP results. No corrections were required for the PATH results at the top and bottom of the cask, since stainless steel is the only shielding material used.

The PATH results included the contribution from the primary gamma source in the active fuel and hardware regions. At the midplane of the cask, the dose rate contribution is predomi nantly from the active fuel. The hardware sources contribute appreciably to the dose rate points at the top and bottom ends of the cask. Figures 5.4-2a and 5.4-2b provide sketches of axial and radial cross sections for the PATH model.

5.4.5.2 Neutron Analysis. MCNP was also used to calculate the neutron dose rates from the primary neutron source in spent fuel, together with (1) the secondary neutron sources from additional fission reactions in the fuel and DU shield, and (2) the secondary gamma dose rates from (n, γ) reactions.

The MCNP model for the neutron analysis at the cask midplane was identical to that for the gamma analysis. The radial model for MCNP represented the exact cask geometry to obtain the azimuthal variation of the dose rates at the cask surface and at 2 m from the edge of the transporter.

An axial MCNP model was also developed to accurately describe the lower end of the cask bottom. The model was used to determine the neutron dose rates on the cask surface under the bottom impact limiters, on the bottom impact limiter surface, and 2 m behind the back of the trailer. The neutron source peaks toward the lower end of the fuel assembly. Also, the cask closure is thicker than the cask bottom plate. This leads to lower neutron dose rates on the top end of the cask. A simple cylindrical MCNP model of the cask was used to determine the dose rate ratio between the top and bottom end surfaces of the cask. Figures 5.4-1a and 5.4-1b provide sketches of the 2-D MCNP model. Neutron dose rates on the top end surface of the cask, on the end of the top impact limiter, and at the tractor cab are found by multiplying this ratio times the dose rates at equivalent locations on the bottom end of the cask. Dose rates on the sides of the top impact limiter and on the sides of the top end of the cask are conservatively set equal to the corresponding dose rates on the cask bottom end.

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Fig. 5.4-2a. Axial cross-section of PATH model

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Fig. 5.4-2b. Radial cross-section of PATH model

5.4.5.3 Gap Analysis. The depleted uranium shield is divided (with lap joints) into five pieces. The cavity in the cask body for the DU is fabricated with zero longitudinal gap at room temperature. Under worst conditions the maximum longitudinal gap is 0.041 inches. For conservatism, the gap analysis assumes a gap (crack) straight through the DU of 0.045". Because DORT is a 2-D code we looked at the side and comer of the cask separately and choose the maximum effect to apply to the dose rates.

Figure 5.4-3 shows the 2-D R-Z model used for the flat side DORT calculations. Two separate calculations were performed to get the effects of the crack in DU regions. The same mesh intervals were used for cases with a crack and without a crack. The model covers the region with the peak fuel source. The four square fuel assemblies were cylinderized to conserve the area, and the fuel region radius of 25.32 cm was obtained. The thicknesses of other regions were added to the radius of the fuel region. The only differences between the flat and comer models were the thickness of the DU (Depleted Uranium) and Neutron shield regions. Figure 5.4-4 shows the 2-D R-Z model used for the comer DORT calculations. The material compositions are listed in Table 5.4-4.

This approach yields a conservatively large estimate of the increase in the gamma dose rate due to a gap in the DU. The largest dose rate increase for any point on the cask surface is 8%. The largest dose rate Increase for any point at 2-m is 1%. All primary gamma surface dose rates on the side of the cask are increased by 8%, and all primary gamma 2-m dose rates on the side of the cask are increased by 1%.

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Figure 5.4-4. The corner side 2-D DORT R-Z model

5.4.5.4 Ground Scattering Analysis. Ground scattering is a significant component of the total dose rate external to the cask, especially at 2 m from the transporter. The ground scattering factor is normally greater for neutrons than for gammas because of a higher albedo for neutrons.

Separate ground scattering analyses were performed with MCNP for neutrons and gammas. Since the ground scattering factor is insensitive to the cask geometry, we used an equivalent cylindrical cask model without loss of its generality or applicability.

For each analysis, three MCNP cases were run, (1) without the ground present, (2) with the ground parallel to the cask axis at 3.5 ft below the cask surface to simulate the cask positioned on the semitrailer, and (3) with the ground against the cask sidewall to simulate the cask lying on the ground. The MCNP results with the two ground locations were compared with the corresponding results in the absence of the ground to quantify the increases in the dose rate caused by ground scattering.

The results at the 2-m location were conservatively applied to all dose rate points. The factors were 1.4 for neutrons and 1.1 for gammas.

5.4.6 Shieldino Results For Normal Transoort Conditions

5.4.6.1 Azimuthal Dose Rate Profile. MCNP results give the azimuthal dose rate profile at the midplane of each cask for normal conditions. Figure 5.4-5 and Table 5.4-5 show the azimuthal dose rate variations at the surfaces of the GA-4 cask for 1/4 segments of the cross section. The statistical uncertainty associated with the MCNP results is between 2 percent and 4 percent (one sigma).

The results in Fig. 5.4-5 and Table 5.4-5 show that the dose rates on the surface of the cask, Including all contributions, are below the regulatory limit of 200 mR/h and the dose rates at 2 m are below 10 mR/h.

5.4.6.2 Dose Rate Maps. Figure 5.4-6 depicts the dose rate points for normal conditions of transport as generated with the PATH code, including the effects of gaps, peaking, and ground scatter, with appropriate normalization to the MCNP results. Tables 5.4-6 and 5.4-7 show the neutron and gamma dose rate components for the two bumup and cooling times evaluated. The dose rate at each point includes both neutron and gamma contributions. The calculated total dose rates are all below the 10 CFR Part 71 limits.

5.4.7 Shielding Results for Hypothetical Accident Conditions

The dose rate map for hypothetical accident conditions was obtained in the same manner as for normal transport conditions. Figure 5.4-7 and Table 5.4-8 show the resulting total dose rates. Table 5.4-8 gives the neutron and gamma dose rate breakdown. Note that the impact limiters are not shown in Fig. 5.4-7. Although they are designed to remain attached during a severe accident, the accident case shielding analysis conservatively assumes their absence.

Fig. 5.4-5. Azimuthal midplane dose rate profile for GA-4 cask (mR/h)

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^(a) Relative to damaged cask with neutron shield and skin removed.

5.4.8 Correlation of Accident Dose Rate to Measured Dose Rate

Since the hypothetical accident conditions cannot be tested before each fuel shipment, the following dose rate condition shall be met for each shipment.

The cask contents shall be so limited that 3.4 times the peak neutron dose rate at any point on the surface of the cask at its midlength plus 1.0 times the gamma dose rate at that location does not exceed 1000 mR/h.

This formula was derived by determining two ratios: the ratio of the calculated peak 1-m accident neutron dose rate to the calculated peak cask surface normal transport neutron dose rate and the ratio of the respective gamma dose rates at the same point. Table 5.4-9 is a compilation of the data used to calculate the ratios. The table also includes references to the tables in this report from which the data were obtained. The maximum neutron dose rate occurs near the midplane of the cask. The maximum ratios for the neutron dose rate (3.4) and gamma dose rate (1.0) were used for conservatism to apply to all configurations.

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