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With Answer Key



Enclosure 2

## QUESTION A.1 [1.0 point]

Core excess reactivity changes with ...

- a. fuel element burnup
- b. control rod height
- c. neutron energy level
- d. reactor power level

## QUESTION A.2 [1.0 point]

You're increasing reactor power on a steady +26 second period. How long will it take to increase power by a factor of 1000?

- a. 60 seconds (1 minute)
- b. 180 seconds (3 minutes)
- c. 300 seconds (5 minutes)
- d. 480 seconds (8 minutes)

## QUESTION A.3 [1.0 point]

The delayed neutron precursor ( $\beta$ ) for  $U^{235}$  is 0.0065. However, when calculating reactor parameters you use  $\beta_{\text{eff}}$  with a value of  $\sim 0.0070$ . Why is  $\beta_{\text{eff}}$  larger than  $\beta$ ?

- a. Delayed neutrons are born at higher energies than prompt neutrons resulting in a greater worth for the neutrons.
- b. Delayed neutrons are born at lower energies than prompt neutrons resulting in less leakage during slowdown to thermal energies.
- c. The fuel also contains  $U^{238}$  which has a relatively large  $\beta$  for fast fission.
- d.  $U^{238}$  in the core becomes  $Pu^{239}$  (by neutron absorption), which has a higher  $\beta$  for fission.

## QUESTION A.4 [1.0 point]

The difference between a moderator and a reflector is that a reflector ...

- a. increases the fast non-leakage factor and a moderator increases the thermal utilization factor.
- b. increases the neutron production factor and a moderator increases the fast fission factor.
- c. increases the neutron production factor and a moderator decreases the thermal utilization factor.
- d. decreases the fast non-leakage factor and a moderator increases the thermal utilization factor.

## QUESTION A.5[1.0 point]

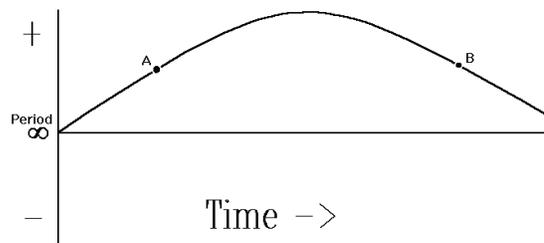
What is the definition of a cross section?

- The probability that a neutron will be captured by the nucleus.
- The most likely energy at which a charged particle will be captured.
- The length a charged particle travels past the nucleus before being captured.
- The area of the nucleus including the electron cloud.

## QUESTION A.6[1.0 point]

Shown below is a trace of reactor period as a function of time. Between points A and B reactor power is:

- continually increasing.
- continually decreasing.
- increasing, then decreasing.
- constant.



## QUESTION A.7[1.0 point]

The term "reactivity" may be described as...

- a measure of the core's fuel depletion.
- negative when  $K_{\text{eff}}$  is greater than 1.0.
- a measure of the core's deviation from criticality.
- being equal to  $0.0050 \Delta K/K$  when the reactor is prompt critical.

## QUESTION A.8[1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following is an example of alpha decay?

- ${}_{35}\text{Br}^{87} \rightarrow {}_{33}\text{As}^{83}$
- ${}_{35}\text{Br}^{87} \rightarrow {}_{35}\text{Br}^{86}$
- ${}_{35}\text{Br}^{87} \rightarrow {}_{34}\text{Se}^{86}$
- ${}_{35}\text{Br}^{87} \rightarrow {}_{36}\text{Kr}^{87}$

QUESTION A.9 [1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following is correct with regard to criticality?

- a. Critical rod height does NOT depend on how fast control rods are withdrawn.
- b. Critical rod height dictates the reactor power level when criticality is first achieved.
- c. The slower the approach to criticality, the lower the reactor power level will be when reaching criticality.
- d. The reactivity of the reactor increases towards infinity during the approach to criticality.

QUESTION A.10 [1.0 point]

The neutron microscopic cross-section for absorption  $\sigma_a$  generally ...

- a. increases as neutron energy increases
- b. decreases as neutron energy increases
- c. increases as target nucleus mass increases
- d. decreases as target nucleus mass increases

QUESTION A.11 [1.0 point]

WHICH ONE of the following is the MAJOR source of energy released during fission?

- a. Kinetic energy of the fission neutrons.
- b. Kinetic energy of the fission fragments.
- c. Decay of the fission fragments.
- d. Prompt gamma rays.

QUESTION A.12 [1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following is the reason for an installed neutron source within the core? A startup without an installed neutron source ...

- a. is impossible as there would be no neutrons available to start up the reactor.
- b. would be very slow due to the long time to build up neutron population from so low a level.
- c. could result in a very short period due to the reactor going critical before neutron population built up high enough to be read on nuclear instrumentation.
- d. can be compensated for by adjusting the compensating voltage on the source range detector.

## QUESTION A.13 [1.0 point]

Several processes occur that may increase or decrease the available number of neutrons. SELECT from the following the six-factor formula term that describes an INCREASE in the number of neutrons during the cycle.

- a. Thermal utilization factor.
- b. Resonance escape probability.
- c. Thermal non-leakage probability.
- d. Reproduction factor.

## QUESTION A.14 [1.0 point]

Which one of the following is the definition of the FAST FISSION FACTOR?

- a. The ratio of the number of neutrons produced by fast fission to the number produced by thermal fission
- b. The ratio of the number of neutrons produced by thermal fission to the number produced by fast fission
- c. The ratio of the number of neutrons produced by fast and thermal fission to the number produced by thermal fission
- d. The ratio of the number of neutrons produced by fast fission to the number produced by fast and thermal fission

## QUESTION A.15 [1.0 point]

By definition, an exactly critical reactor can be made prompt critical by adding positive reactivity equal to ...

- a. the shutdown margin
- b. the  $K_{\text{excess}}$  margin
- c. the  $\beta_{\text{eff}}$  value
- d.  $1.0\% \Delta K/K$ .

## QUESTION A.16 [1.0 point]

The number of neutrons passing through a one square centimeter of target material per second is the definition of which one of the following?

- a. Neutron Population (np)
- b. Neutron Impact Potential (nip)
- c. Neutron Flux (nv)
- d. Neutron Density (nd)

## QUESTION A.17 [1.0 point]

Given the following data, which ONE of the following is the closest to the half life of the material?

TIME	ACTIVITY
0	2400 cps
10 min.	1757 cps
20 min.	1286 cps
30 min.	941 cps
60 min.	369 cps

- a. 11 minutes
- b. 22 minutes
- c. 44 minutes
- d. 51 minutes

## QUESTION A.18 [1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following is the correct reason that delayed neutrons enhance control of the reactor?

- a. There are more delayed neutrons than prompt neutrons.
- b. Delayed neutrons increase the average neutron generation time.
- c. Delayed neutrons are born at higher energies than prompt neutrons and therefore have a greater effect.
- d. Delayed neutrons take longer to reach thermal equilibrium.

## QUESTION A.19 [1.0 point]

Regulating rod worth for a reactor is  $0.001 \Delta K/K/\text{inch}$ . Moderator temperature **INCREASES** by  $9^\circ\text{F}$ , and the regulating rod moves  $4\frac{1}{2}$  inches inward to compensate. The moderator temperature coefficient  $\alpha_{\text{Tmod}}$  is ...

- a.  $+5 \times 10^{-4} \Delta K/K/^\circ\text{F}$
- b.  $-5 \times 10^{-4} \Delta K/K/^\circ\text{F}$
- c.  $+2 \times 10^{-5} \Delta K/K/^\circ\text{F}$
- d.  $-2 \times 10^{-5} \Delta K/K/^\circ\text{F}$

## QUESTION A.20 [1.0 point]

$K_{\text{eff}}$  is  $K_\infty$  times ...

- a. the fast fission factor ( $\epsilon$ )
- b. the total non-leakage probability ( $\mathcal{L}_f \times \mathcal{L}_{th}$ )
- c. the reproduction factor ( $\eta$ )
- d. the resonance escape probability ( $p$ )

## QUESTION B.1 [1.0 point]

An experiment irradiated in the pool reads 50mr/hr at 2 feet below the pool surface and 100 mr/hr at 1 foot below the pool surface. You decide to place the experiment at 20 feet below the surface of the pool. Based on the attenuation you noted between the 2 foot and 1 foot levels, you would expect the shielding due to 20 feet of water to reduce the dose by a factor of approximately ... (Note: Ignore dose decrease due to distance.)

- a. 1000
- b. 10,000
- c. 100,000
- d. 1,000,000

## QUESTION B.2 [2.0 points, 0.4 each]

Match the terms listed in column A with the respective reactivity limit from column B. (Note: Only one answer for each item in column A. Items in column B may be used more than once or not at all.)

<u>Column A</u>	<u>Column B</u>
a. Single Moveable	1. 0.2% $\Delta K/K$
b. Total Moveable	2. 0.3% $\Delta K/K$
c. Single Secured	3. 0.4% $\Delta K/K$
d. Total Secured	4. 0.5% $\Delta K/K$
	5. 0.6% $\Delta K/K$
	6. 0.7% $\Delta K/K$
	7. 0.8% $\Delta K/K$

## QUESTION B.3 [1.0 point, ¼ each]

Match the limitation listed in column A, with the correct minimum authorization in column B.

- |  |                                       |
|--|---------------------------------------|
| a. Sample insertion or removal with reactor operating.                       | 1. Reactor Operator                   |
| b. Bringing explosive material into the NRL.                                 | 2. Senior Operator on Duty            |
| c. Transporting corrosive material beyond the entrance chain of either pool. | 3. Senior Operator on Duty in writing |
| d. Entering the control room   |                                       |

QUESTION B.4[1.0 point]

The four Emergency Classifications used by the NRC are listed below. Which ONE of the classifications is the ONLY one applicable to the OSURR? (Note: Items are listed alphabetically, **NOT** in order of severity!)

- a. Alert
- b. General Emergency
- c. Notification of Unusual Event
- d. Site Area Emergency.

QUESTION B.5[1.0 point]

While working on an experiment, you receive the following radiation doses: 100 mrem ( $\beta$ ), 25 mrem ( $\gamma$ ), and 5 mrem (thermal neutrons). Which ONE of the following is your total dose?

- a. 175 mrem
- b. 155 mrem
- c. 145 mrem
- d. 130 mrem

QUESTION B.6[1.0 point]

In case of an emergency the NORMAL Emergency Support Center (ESC) is the control room, however, if the control room is unavailable the ESC will be setup in the ...

- a. OSU Research Center Main Lobby
- b. library of the Van de Graaff laboratory
- c. NRL Director's office
- d. Office of Public Safety (OSUPD)

QUESTION B.7[1.0 point]

The core is fully loaded. The maximum number of control rods which may be out of the core for annual inspection at any time is ...

- a. one (either a Shim-Safety rod or the regulating rod)
- b. the regulating rod and any other rod
- c. any two rods
- d. none, you must first unload the core.

QUESTION B.8 [2.0 point, 0.5 each]

Identify each of the following as either a Safety Limit (SL), a Limiting Safety System Setting (LSSS) or as a Limiting Condition for Operations (LCO).

- a. Reactor Fuel Temperature shall be less than 550°C
- b. ... and 15 feet of water above core.
- c. ... core Inlet water temperature shall not exceed 35°C.
- d. ... shall not exceed 600 Kilowatts during a transient.

QUESTION B.9 [2.0 points, 0.5 each]

Identify whether each of the following experiments has no special requirements (NR), requires Double encapsulation (DOUBLE), or is Not Authorized (NA).

- a. Corrosive Materials
- b. Cryogenic Materials
- c. contains 1.6 milligrams of explosive material
- d. the calculated temperature outside the capsule will be 110°C.

QUESTION B.10 [1.0 points, 0.25 each]

Identify the source for the listed radioisotopes. Irradiation of air, water, structural material or fission product.

- a.  $N^{16}$
- b.  $Na^{24}$
- c.  $Ar^{41}$
- d.  $Xe^{133}$

QUESTION B.11 [1.0 point]

The CURIE content of a radioactive source is a measure of

- a. the number of radioactive atoms in the source.
- b. the amount of energy emitted per unit time by the source
- c. the amount of damage to soft body tissue per unit time.
- d. the number of nuclear disintegrations per unit time.

QUESTION B.12 [1.0 point]

Per procedure, the coolant systems (primary and secondary) must be in operation prior to ...

- a. latching control rods
- b. reaching is criticality.
- c. reactor power level exceeding 100 Kilowatts.
- d. reactor power level reaching full power.

QUESTION B.13 [1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following conditions is ***NOT*** a Reportable Occurrence per the Technical Specification definition?

- a. Operation of the reactor with a minimum shutdown margin (Xenon free, with the most reactive rod in the fully withdrawn position) of 3.0%  $\Delta k/k$ .
- b. Pool pH is 9.0.
- c. Operation of the reactor with the Gaseous Effluent Monitor (GEM) out of service. The Rabbit Effluent Monitor is operating fine. No experiments are in progress.
- d. Operation of the reactor with a pool level of 15.5 ft. above the top of the core.

QUESTION B.14 [1.0 point, 0.25 each]

Identify the correct number which correctly defines the maximum period between testing intervals per the Technical Specifications definitions.

- a. Weekly: \_\_\_ days
- b. Monthly: \_\_\_ weeks
- c. Quarterly: \_\_\_ months
- d. Annually: \_\_\_ months

QUESTION B.15 [1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following is the definition of a CHANNEL TEST?

- a. the combination of sensor, line, amplifier, and output devices which are connected for the purpose of measuring the value of a parameter.
- b. an adjustment of the channel such that its output corresponds with acceptable accuracy to known values of the parameter which the channel measures.
- c. a qualitative verification of acceptable performance by observation of channel behavior.
- d. the introduction of a signal into the channel for verification that it is operable.

QUESTION B.16 [1.0 point, ¼ each]

Match type of radiation (1 thru 4) with the proper penetrating power (a thru d)

- |            |                                    |
|------------|------------------------------------|
| a. Gamma   | 1. Stopped by thin sheet of paper  |
| b. Beta    | 2. Stopped by thin sheet of metal  |
| c. Alpha   | 3. Best shielded by light material |
| d. Neutron | 4. Best shielded by dense material |

QUESTION B.17 [1.0 point]

The low neutron count scram may be bypassed provided  $K_{\text{eff}}$  is less than

- a. 1.00%  $\Delta K/K$
- b. 0.95%  $\Delta K/K$
- c. 0.90%  $\Delta K/K$
- d. 0.85%  $\Delta K/K$

QUESTION C.1[1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following is NOT a control rod limit switch?

- a. Lead Screw in the up position
- b. Lead Screw in the down position
- c. Control Rod in the up position
- d. Control Rod in the down position

QUESTION C.2[2.0 points, ½ each]

Match the problems on the left with its possible plant conditions on the right. (No changes to any equipment have been made, e.g. no valves manipulated)

- |   |                                  |
|---|----------------------------------|
| a. High radiation level in demineralizer tanks  | 1. Resin separation (channeling) |
| b. High radiation level on demineralizer outlet | 2. Fission product release       |
| c. High flow through demineralizer tanks        | 3. High water temperature        |
| d. High pressure on demineralizer inlet         | 4. Clogging                      |

QUESTION C.3[1.0 point]

Which one of the following is NOT a reason for having excess reactivity in the core?

- a. Fission Product poisons buildup
- b. Pool Temperature changes
- c. Insertion of Experiments
- d. The use of a neutron source

QUESTION C.4[1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following detectors is used primarily to measure  $N^{16}$  release to the environment?

- a. NONE,  $N^{16}$  has too short a half-life to require environmental monitoring.
- b. Reactor Building Gaseous Effluent Monitor
- c. Rabbit Blower Effluent Monitor
- d. Area Monitor above the pool

QUESTION C.5[2.0 point, 1/3 each]

Identify each of the following characteristics as belonging to either the regulating rod (RR) or the shim-safety rods (SSR).

- a. The poison section is attached directly to the drive screw.
- b. Active length = 26"
- c. Rod is smooth
- d. Rod is grooved
- e. Rod is hollow
- f. Poison material is Stainless Steel

QUESTION C.6[1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following is the main function performed by the DISCRIMINATOR circuit in the Startup Channel?

- a. To generate a current signal equal and of opposite polarity as the signal due to gammas generated within the Startup Channel Detector.
- b. To filter out small pulses due to gamma interactions, passing only pulses due to neutron events within the Startup Channel Detector.
- c. To convert the linear output of the Startup Channel Detector to a logarithmic signal for metering purposes.
- d. To convert the logarithmic output of the metering circuit to a  $\delta t$  (delta time) output for period metering purposes.

QUESTION C.7[1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following correctly describes how a compensated ion chamber detects neutrons. A neutron interacts with the ...

- a.  $U^{235}$  lining of the tube.
- b.  $B^{10}$  lining of the tube.
- c.  $BF_3$  gas which fills the tube
- d.  $N_2$  gas which fills the tube.

QUESTION C.8[1.0 point]

The reactor is operating at 500 kilowatts, when the SECONDARY coolant pump trips on overload. Assuming NO OPERATOR ACTION, which ONE of the following trips would most likely cause a reactor scram?

- a. High Flux
- b. Short Period
- c. High Coolant Inlet Temperature
- d. Low Secondary Flow

QUESTION C.9[1.0 point]

Secondary Coolant Flow is adjusted by varying the ...

- a. speed of the positive displacement pump motor.
- b. chamber size of the positive displacement pump.
- c. level in the surge tank (submergence control of the centrifugal pump).
- d. position of the valve in the pump bypass line.

QUESTION C.10 [2.0 points, ¼ each]

Using the drawing of the primary system provided, identify the

- a. 1. By-pass Flow Valve
- b. 2. City Water Supply
- c. 3. Decay Tank
- d. 4. Modulating Valve
- e. 5. Primary Heat Exchanger
- f. 6. Primary Coolant Pump
- g. 7. Primary Coolant Return
- h. 8. Surge Tank

Note Question #11 was omitted due to typographic error.

QUESTION C.12 [1.0 point]

Normal cooling is using the

- a. 100% flow through the fan-forced unit.
- b. 100% flow through the tertiary loop.
- c. an operator controlled mixture of flow through the fan-forced unit and the tertiary loop.
- d. an operator controlled mixture of flow through the fan-forced unit and the bypass leg.

QUESTION C.13 [1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following describes how the signal for regulating rod position indication is generated?

- a. A series of magnetic switches (10 per inch) which respond to lead screw position.
- b. A tachometer that counts the revolutions of the lead screw.
- c. A series of limit switches that are actuated by the ball bearing screw assembly.
- d. A Servo Transmitter mounted on the control rod drive mechanism.

QUESTION C.14 [1.0 point]

Which one of the following situations will cause the reactor to automatically SCRAM?

- a. Loss of all ventilation exhaust fans.
- b. High Radiation level at top of pool.
- c. Low pool water level.
- d. Sudden decrease in neutron induced signal

QUESTION C.15 [1.0 point]

Which ONE of the following channels has a signal which will generate a "FAST" scram?

- a. Linear Power Monitoring Channel
- b. Period Monitoring Channel
- c. Period Safety Channel
- d. Startup Channel

QUESTION C.16 [1.0 point] Note: No change for this administration of examination. However, the question is modified for future use to make it more correct.

Which ONE of the following conditions will result in a shim-safety control blade withdrawal inhibit?

- a. Positive 20 second period on the Period Monitoring Channel
- b. Movement of the startup detector-, outward.
- c. Positive 20 second period on the Period Safety Channel
- d. Movement of the Regulating Rod

QUESTION C.17 [2.0 points, ¼ each] Choices f and g were removed during the examination, due to the fact that the facility does not operate in the automatic mode. The grading is changed to 2.0 points, ½ each.

Match the Lamp colors listed in column B with each of the rod position indicator lights in column A.

- |                            |           |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| a. Bottom                  | 1. Red    |
| b. Down                    | 2. Orange |
| c. Engage                  | 3. Yellow |
| d. Intermediate            | 4. Green  |
| e. Jam                     | 5. Blue   |
| f. <del>Servo Permit</del> | 6. White  |
| g. <del>Servo On</del>     |           |
| h. Up                      |           |

A.1 a

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A.2 d b (Typo)

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A.17 b

1285 is close to ½ activity, so time should be close. Also,  $A = A_0 e^{-\lambda t}$  so:

$$\ln(1286/2400) = -\lambda(20 \text{ min}) \quad \lambda = -(\ln(1286/2400))/20 \text{ min} = -0.0312 \text{ min}^{-1} \quad t = \ln(1/2)/-0.0312 = 22.19$$

REF: Glasstone, S. and Sesonske, A, *Nuclear Reactor Engineering*, Kreiger Publishing, Malabar, Florida, 1991, §

A.18 b

REF: Glasstone, S. and Sesonske, A, *Nuclear Reactor Engineering*, Kreiger Publishing, Malabar, Florida, 1991, §A.19 b a (Typo)  $0.001 \Delta K/K/\text{inch} \times 4.5 \text{ inch} \div 9^\circ F = 0.001 \div 2 = 0.0005 = 5 \times 10^{-4} \Delta K/K/^\circ F$ REF: Glasstone, S. and Sesonske, A, *Nuclear Reactor Engineering*, Kreiger Publishing, Malabar, Florida, 1991, §

A.20 b

REF: Glasstone, S. and Sesonske, A, *Nuclear Reactor Engineering*, Kreiger Publishing, Malabar, Florida, 1991, §

B.1 d

REF:  $2^{20} = 1,048,756 \approx 1,000,000$

B.2 a, 3 (0.4%  $\Delta K/K$ ); b, 5 (0.6%  $\Delta K/K$ ); c, 6(0.7%  $\Delta K/K$ ); d, 6 (0.7%  $\Delta K/K$ )

REF: OSU Technical Specifications § 3.7

B.3 a, 1; b, 3; c, 2; d, 2

REF: AP-02, *General Rules*

B.4 c

REF: Emergency Plan § 4

B.5 d

REF: A rem is a rem is a rem.

B.6 b

REF: OSU Emergency Plan § 6.1

B.7 a

REF: OM-02 *Control Rod Annual Inspections*, § IV Precautions F.

B.8 a, SL; b, LCO; c, LSSS; d, LSSS

REF: Technical Specifications

B.9 a, DOUBLE; b, NR; c, NA; d, NA

REF: Technical Specifications § 3.6, *Limitations on Experiments*

B.10 a, water; b, structural material; c, air; d, fission product

REF: Standard NRC Question, source: Chart of the Nuclides

B.11 d

REF: Standard Health Physics Definition.

B.12 c

REF: OM-01 *Reactor Power Changes*, § IV Precautions, step G.

B.13 c or a (2<sup>nd</sup> correct answer added per facility comment)

REF: Technical Specification 1.1, 3.1.1, 3.1.3, 3.5.2,

B.14 a, 10; b, 6; c, 4; d, 15

REF: OSU Technical Specifications, § 1.3 Definitions

B.15 d

REF: OSU Technical Specifications § 1.3 Definitions

B.16 a, 4; b, 2; c, 1; d, 3

REF: Standard NRC Question

B.17 c

REF: Technical Specifications Table 2.1.

C.1c

REF: OSU FSAR, § 3.3.8.3 Table 3.1

C.2a, a,2; b,3; c,1; d,4

REF: New NRC Question, 2<sup>nd</sup> verification.

C.3d

REF: Standard NRC question.

C.4a

REF: Standard NRC question

C.5a, RR; b, SSR; c, RR; d, SSR; e, RR; f, RR

REF:

C.6b

REF: Standard NRC question

C.7e b (Typo)

REF: Standard NRC Question Bank.

C.8e d Answer changed to d, per facility comment (initial scram due to loss of pump)

REF: CAF

C.9b

REF: OSU SAR as modified by facility supplied errata sheet.

C.10 a, 3; b, 6; c, 4; d, 5; e, 1; f, 8; g, 2; h, 7

REF: SAR § 3, figure 3.14

C.12 a d (Typo)

REF: OSU SAR § 3.2.2.2.

C.13 d

REF: OSU SAR § 3.3.4 4th ¶

C.14 c

REF: OSU SAR Various parts of Chapter 3 and Technical Specifications 3.2.3, 3.3.2, 3.5 and 3.6.1

C.15 c

REF: OSU SAR, §§ 3.3.13, 14, 15 & 17

C.16 b

REF: OSU SAR, CAF

C.17 a, 4; b, 4; c, 6; d, 3; e, 1; ~~f, 1; g, 5;~~ h, 2

REF: OSU SAR Table 3.1.

U. S. NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
NON-POWER INITIAL REACTOR LICENSE EXAMINATION

FACILITY:                   Ohio State University  
 REACTOR TYPE:            Pool  
 DATE ADMINISTERED:     2004/07/12  
 CANDIDATE:               \_\_\_\_\_

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<u>20.00</u>	<u>33.3</u>	_____	_____	A. Reactor Theory, Thermodynamics and Facility Operating Characteristics
<u>20.00</u>	<u>33.3</u>	_____	_____	B. Normal and Emergency Operating Procedures and Radiological Controls
<u>20.00</u>	<u>33.3</u>	_____	_____	C. Facility and Radiation Monitoring Systems
<u>60.00</u>		_____	_____%	TOTALS
			FINAL GRADE	

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EQUATION SHEET

$$\dot{Q} = \dot{m}c_p \Delta T = \dot{m} \Delta H = UA \Delta T$$

$$P_{\max} = \frac{(\rho - \beta)^2}{2\alpha(k)\ell}$$

$$\ell^* = 1 \times 10^{-4} \text{ seconds}$$

$$\lambda_{\text{eff}} = 0.1 \text{ seconds}^{-1}$$

$$SCR = \frac{S}{-\rho} \approx \frac{S}{1 - K_{\text{eff}}}$$

$$R_1(1 - K_{\text{eff}_1}) = CR_2(1 - K_{\text{eff}_2})$$

$$CR_1(-\rho_1) = CR_2(-\rho_2)$$

$$SUR = 26.06 \left[ \frac{\lambda_{\text{eff}} \rho}{\beta - \rho} \right]$$

$$M = \frac{1 - K_{\text{eff}_0}}{1 - K_{\text{eff}_1}}$$

$$M = \frac{1}{1 - K_{\text{eff}}} = \frac{CR_1}{CR_2}$$

$$P = P_0 10^{SUR(t)}$$

$$P = P_0 e^{\frac{t}{T}}$$

$$P = \frac{\beta(1 - \rho)}{\beta - \rho} P_0$$

$$SDM = \frac{(1 - K_{\text{eff}})}{K_{\text{eff}}}$$

$$T = \frac{\ell^*}{\rho - \bar{\beta}}$$

$$T = \frac{\ell^*}{\rho} + \left[ \frac{\bar{\beta} - \rho}{\lambda_{\text{eff}} \rho} \right]$$

$$\Delta \rho = \frac{K_{\text{eff}_2} - K_{\text{eff}_1}}{k_{\text{eff}_1} \times K_{\text{eff}_2}}$$

$$T_{1/2} = \frac{0.693}{\lambda}$$

$$\rho = \frac{(K_{\text{eff}} - 1)}{K_{\text{eff}}}$$

$$DR = DR_0 e^{-\lambda t}$$

$$DR = \frac{6CiE(n)}{R^2}$$

$$DR_1 d_1^2 = DR_2 d_2^2$$

DR - Rem, Ci - curies, E - Mev, R - feet

$$\frac{(\rho_2 - \beta)^2}{Peak_2} = \frac{(\rho_1 - \beta)^2}{Peak_1}$$

**1 Curie = 3.7 x 10<sup>10</sup> dis/sec**

**1 kg = 2.21 lbm**

**1 Horsepower = 2.54 x 10<sup>3</sup> BTU/hr**

**1 Mw = 3.41 x 10<sup>6</sup> BTU/hr**

**1 BTU = 778 ft-lbf**

**°F = 9/5 °C + 32**

**1 gal (H<sub>2</sub>O) ≈ 8 lbm**

**°C = 5/9 (°F - 32)**

**c<sub>p</sub> = 1.0 BTU/hr/lbm/°F**

**c<sub>p</sub> = 1 cal/sec/gm/°C**

A.1 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.11 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.2 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.12 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.3 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.13 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.4 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.14 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.5 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.15 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.6 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.16 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.7 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.17 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.8 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.18 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.9 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.19 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.10 a b c d \_\_\_\_

A.20 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.1 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.9c NR Double NA \_\_\_\_

B.2a 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 \_\_\_\_

B.9d NR Double NA \_\_\_\_

B.2b 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 \_\_\_\_

B.10a Water Air Structural Fission \_\_\_\_

B.2c 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 \_\_\_\_

B.10b Water Air Structural Fission \_\_\_\_

B.2d 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 \_\_\_\_

B.10c Water Air Structural Fission \_\_\_\_

B.2e 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 \_\_\_\_

B.10d Water Air Structural Fission \_\_\_\_

B.3a 1 2 3 \_\_\_\_

B.11 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.3b 1 2 3 \_\_\_\_

B.12 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.3c 1 2 3 \_\_\_\_

B.13 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.3d 1 2 3 \_\_\_\_

B.14a \_\_\_\_ days

B.4 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.14b \_\_\_\_ weeks

B.5 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.14c \_\_\_\_ months

B.6 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.14d \_\_\_\_ months

B.7 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.15 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.8a SL LSSS LCO \_\_\_\_

B.16a1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_

B.8b SL LSSS LCO \_\_\_\_

B.16b1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_

B.8c SL LSSS LCO \_\_\_\_

B.16c1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_

B.8d SL LSSS LCO \_\_\_\_

B.16d1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_

B.9a NR Double NA \_\_\_\_

B.17 a b c d \_\_\_\_

B.9b NR Double NA \_\_\_\_

C.1 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.2a 1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_

C.2b 1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_

C.2c 1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_

C.2d 1 2 3 4 \_\_\_\_

C.3 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.4 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.5a RR SR \_\_\_\_

C.5b RR SR \_\_\_\_

C.5c RR SR \_\_\_\_

C.5d RR SR \_\_\_\_

C.5e RR SR \_\_\_\_

C.5f RR SR \_\_\_\_

C.6 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.7 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.8 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.9 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.10a 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 \_\_\_\_

C.10b 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 \_\_\_\_

C.10c 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 \_\_\_\_

C.10d 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 \_\_\_\_

C.10e 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 \_\_\_\_

C.10f 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 \_\_\_\_

C.10g 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 \_\_\_\_

C.10h 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 \_\_\_\_

~~C.11 a b c d \_\_\_\_~~

C.12 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.13 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.14 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.15 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.16 a b c d \_\_\_\_

C.17a 1 2 3 4 5 6 \_\_\_\_

C.17b 1 2 3 4 5 6 \_\_\_\_

C.17c 1 2 3 4 5 6 \_\_\_\_

C.17d 1 2 3 4 5 6 \_\_\_\_

C.17e 1 2 3 4 5 6 \_\_\_\_

~~C.17f 1 2 3 4 5 6 \_\_\_\_~~

~~C.17g 1 2 3 4 5 6 \_\_\_\_~~

C.17h 1 2 3 4 5 6 \_\_\_\_

