

#### END VIEW OF REACTOR SHOWING PRINCIPAL CALANDRIA DIMENSIONS, FUEL CHANNELS AND BOUNDARY OF INNER FUEL ZONE





Figure 1.3 Number of Collisions and Energy Loss per Collision During Moderation

### EFFECT OF MODERATOR ON NEUTRON ENERGY DURING SLOWING-DOWN

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| Moderator | Number of Collisions |
|-----------|----------------------|
| Н         | 18                   |
| D         | 25                   |
| Не        | 43                   |
| Li        | 67                   |
| Be        | 86                   |
| С         | 114                  |

Fig. 1.4 - Number of Collisions to Thermalize a 2-MeV Neutron

# Figure 1.5 Moderating Ratio of Various Moderators

| Moderator         | Moderating Ratio |
|-------------------|------------------|
| Light Water       | 62               |
| Carbon (Graphite) | 165              |
| Heavy Water       | 5000             |

# Figure 1.6 Various Fuel-Designs



| Popular                              | N.P.D. | N.P.D. & DOUGLAS PT.   |
|--------------------------------------|--------|------------------------|
| Number of Rods/Bundle                | 7      | 19 19                  |
| Rod Diameter mm                      | 25.4   | 15.25 15.22<br>221 420 |
| Mass Ratio UO <sub>2</sub> /Zircaloy | 11.1   | 10.2 10.1              |



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|   | PICKERING                  | BRUCE & 600 MW                         |
|---|----------------------------|--|
| Number of Rods/Bundle<br>Rod Diameter mm<br>Nominal Bundle Power kW<br>Mass Ratio UO <sub>2</sub> /Zircaloy | 23<br>15.19<br>640<br>11.1 | 37 37   13.08 13.08   900 800   94 9.4 |



#### Figure 1.8 Basic Characteristics of CANDU

- Use of heavy water as moderator: maximizes neutron economy
- Pressure-tube construction: allows
  - low-pressure calandria
  - low-pressure, low-temperature environment in moderator for reactivity devices
- On-power refuelling:
  - removes the need for refuelling shutdowns
  - allows reactor operation with small average excess reactivity

