

- 4.6 Compute the maximum fusion power density of a magnetically confined d-h fusion plasma ($N_d = N_h$, $T_d = T_h = T_e$, no impurities) as limited by an assumed upper value of attainable field strength, $B=15$ Tesla, dependent on the plasma temperature. Superimpose the result for $\beta_{\max} = 2\%$ in Fig.4.3.

Solution)

$$N_d = N_h = \frac{N_i}{2}, \quad N_e = \frac{3}{2} N_i$$

$$\beta_{\max} \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} \geq N_i k T_i + N_e k T_e \quad (T_i = T_e = T)$$

$$\beta_{\max} \frac{B^2}{2\mu_0} = N_i k T + \frac{3}{2} N_i k T$$

$$N_i = \frac{\beta_{\max} B^2}{5\mu_0} \frac{1}{kT}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_{fu} &= N_d N_h \langle \sigma v \rangle_{dh} Q_{dh} \\ &= \frac{N_i^2}{4} \langle \sigma v \rangle_{dh} Q_{dh} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \frac{\beta_{\max}^2 B^4}{25\mu_0^2} \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{dh}}{(kT)^2} Q_{dh} \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore P_{fu, \max} = 3.21 \times 10^5 \text{ [w/m}^3\text{]}$$

- 8.5 Derive-analogously to Eq. (8.28)-a more realistic MCF reactor criterion accounting also for cyclotron radiation losses Display graphically its temperature dependence, $N_e \tau_{E^*}(T)$ for the two cases

Note: For the derivation of the criterion, use fractions of the ion density such

that $N_j = \kappa_j N_i$ with j denoting the considered ion species. You should finally obtain:

$$(N_e \tau_{E^*})_{ab} > \frac{\frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{T_i}{\sum \kappa_j Z_j} + T_e \right)}{\frac{\eta_{in} \eta_{out}}{1 - \eta_{in} \eta_{out}} \left[\frac{\kappa_a \kappa_b}{\left(\sum \kappa_j Z_j \right)^2} \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{ab}}{(1 + \delta_{ab})} Q_{ab} \right] - \frac{\sum \kappa_j Z_j^2}{\sum \kappa_j Z_j} A_{br} \sqrt{T_e} - A_{cyc} B^2 \frac{\psi}{N_e} T_e}$$

for $j=a, b$, impurities.

Solution)

(Required input power) \leq (Output electric power)

$$P_{th} + P_{rad} + P_{cyc} \leq \eta_{in} \eta_{out} (P_f + P_{rad} + P_{th} + P_{cyc})$$

$$\rightarrow P_{th} + P_{rad} + P_{cyc} = \frac{\eta_{in} \eta_{out}}{1 - \eta_{in} \eta_{out}} P_f$$

$$\sum Z_j \kappa_j N_i = N_e \rightarrow N_i = \frac{N_e}{\sum Z_j \kappa_j}$$

$$\frac{3}{2} \frac{\sum \kappa_j}{\sum Z_j \kappa_j} \frac{N_e T_i + N_e T_e}{\tau_{E^*}} + A_{br} N_e^2 \frac{\sum Z_j^2 \kappa_j}{\sum Z_j \kappa_j} \sqrt{T_e} + A_{cyc} B^2 N_e T_e \psi$$

$$= \frac{\eta_{in} \eta_{out}}{1 - \eta_{in} \eta_{out}} \frac{\kappa_a \kappa_b N_e^2 \langle \sigma v \rangle_{ab}}{\left(\sum Z_j \kappa_j \right)^2 (1 + \delta_{ab})} Q_{ab}$$

$$\therefore (N_e \tau_{E^*})_{ab} > \frac{\frac{3}{2} \left(\frac{T_i}{\sum \kappa_j Z_j} + T_e \right)}{\frac{\eta_{in} \eta_{out}}{1 - \eta_{in} \eta_{out}} \left[\frac{\kappa_a \kappa_b}{\left(\sum \kappa_j Z_j \right)^2} \frac{\langle \sigma v \rangle_{ab}}{(1 + \delta_{ab})} Q_{ab} \right] - \frac{\sum \kappa_j Z_j^2}{\sum \kappa_j Z_j} A_{br} \sqrt{T_e} - A_{cyc} B^2 \frac{\psi}{N_e} T_e}$$