

Our experience with attempting to corroborate experimental ablation data with computer code predictions<sup>3</sup> leads us to believe that the primary importance of silica-carbon reactions in depth lies with the dominating changes in thermal and mechanical properties of the char which result when the reaction proceeds rather than with an energy effect. Comparisons of computer predictions to test data and post-test samples tend to support this opinion, but of course much work remains to be done before all aspects of the complex response of silica reinforced materials are well characterized.

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## Erratum: "Some Comments on the Laminar Compressible Boundary-Layer Analysis with Arbitrary Pressure Gradient"

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**E**QUATION (16) on page 331 should read:

$$n = 2(1 + \epsilon)n_{\text{stag}} \cdot \frac{du_e}{dx} \left( 1 + \frac{\gamma - 1}{2} M_e^2 \right) \cdot \frac{\int_0^x p_e^{\alpha} u_e r_w^{2\epsilon} dx}{p_e^{\alpha} u_e^2 r_w^{2\epsilon}}$$

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