

**ChE 306: HEAT TRANSFER**  
 FALL 2010  
 Homework #2 (60 points)  
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*Chapter 3 Problems*

1. The defog dial in an automobile causes warm air to pass over the inside surface of the front windshield resulting in heat transfer from the inside ( $T_{\infty} = 40^{\circ}\text{C}$ ) with a convective heat transfer coefficient of  $30 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K}$ . Given: the windshield is made of plate glass and has a thickness of 0.4 cm, and the outside air is  $-10^{\circ}\text{C}$  with a convective heat transfer coefficient of  $65 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K}$ .

A. **Determine the inner and outer surface temperatures** of the windshield.

Include a calculation of the total resistance of the air-window-air system.

B. The convective heat transfer coefficient is a function of fluid velocity (and Reynolds number); thus  $h$  increases as you drive faster. What would the **inner surface temperature** be for an outside convective heat transfer coefficient  $h_o = 100 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K}$ ?

2. At companies like Radici-Spandex, the polymerization reactor room is kept at high temperatures because some of the reactants have high melting points. Thus, the air temperature in this room is typically  $110^{\circ}\text{F}$ . At one end of the reactor room is the operator's office, which is kept at  $76^{\circ}\text{F}$  by the air conditioning system. A stainless steel wall 8 feet tall and 14 feet wide separates the rooms. This wall is 0.5 inches thick. The air on both sides of the wall has a convective heat transfer coefficient,  $h = 5 \text{ Btu/h-ft}^2\text{-}^{\circ}\text{F}$ . Properties of stainless steel: Density =  $7900 \text{ kg/m}^3 = 493 \text{ lb}_m/\text{ft}^3$

Heat Capacity =  $477 \text{ J/kg-K} = 0.114 \text{ Btu/lb}_m\text{-}^{\circ}\text{F}$

Thermal Conductivity =  $14.9 \text{ W/m-K} = 8.61 \text{ Btu/h-ft-}^{\circ}\text{F}$

A. Draw a **sketch** of the problem, using an **arrow** to show the direction of heat transfer

B. Determine the **heat flux,  $q''$** , in  $\text{Btu/h-ft}^2$

C. You wish to save money on air conditioning the office by reducing the heat flux into the office to only 10% of your answer in part B. You have polystyrene insulation that you can use to cover the entire surface of the wall. **How thick should this insulation be to achieve the required reduction in  $q''$**  ( $q''_{\text{new}} = 0.10 * q''_{\text{part B}}$ )? Thermal conductivity of polystyrene insulation ( $k$ ) =  $0.016 \text{ Btu/h-ft-}^{\circ}\text{F}$ .

D. Should the insulation be placed on the office-side or reactor room side of the wall?

3. Pressurized liquid nitrogen at  $-80^{\circ}\text{C}$  passes through a 20-meter length of stainless steel pipe in an electronics factory at  $12 \text{ kg/min}$ . The pipe has an inner diameter of 1.0 cm and thickness of 0.20 cm. A layer of insulating urethane foam (2.0 cm thick) coats the outside of the pipe. The surface of the foam is exposed to the room air at  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$ , which has a convective heat transfer coefficient of  $12 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K}$ . Ignore radiation.

Material Properties

	LIQUID NITROGEN	STAINLESS STEEL	URETHANE FOAM
Density, $\rho$ ( $\text{kg/m}^3$ )	1.69	7900	70
Thermal Conductivity, $k$ ( $\text{W/m-K}$ )	0.0183	12.6	0.026
Heat Capacity, $c_p$ ( $\text{J/kg-K}$ )	1.043	477	1045
Convective Heat Trans. Coeff., $h$ ( $\text{W/m}^2\text{-K}$ )	32.0	---	---

A. Sketch the problem, **label** dimensions and **draw** an arrow to indicate the direction of heat transfer.

B. Draw a thermal resistance diagram indicating all resistances between the bulk temperatures ( $T_{\infty}$ ) of liquid nitrogen and room air.

C. Draw a rough qualitative graph to approximate temperature vs. radius starting from the liquid nitrogen temperature at  $r = 0$  to the air temperature. Mark locations of the steel pipe and foam insulation.

D. What is the thermal resistance due to the urethane foam layer (in  $\text{K/W}$ )?

E. If the rate of heat transfer is  $-84.7 \text{ W}$ , what is the surface temperature of the foam exposed to the room air?

4. A 6-inch inner diameter steel pipe carrying engine oil at 240 °F ( $h = 3.4 \text{ Btu/h-ft}^2\text{-}^\circ\text{F}$ ) loses heat to the outside air at 77 °F with  $h = 1.9 \text{ Btu/h-ft}^2\text{-}^\circ\text{F}$ . The pipe is made of 1/4-inch thick steel ( $k = 33 \text{ Btu/h-ft-}^\circ\text{F}$ ), and is 150 ft long. It is coated with a 1/2-inch thick tube of foam insulation ( $k = 0.013 \text{ Btu/h-ft-}^\circ\text{F}$ ) to reduce heat loss.

What is the total rate of heat loss ( $q$ ) from the pipe?

5. Work Problem 3.49.

*NOTE: This problem will require a trial-and-error iterative solution.*

6. Work Problem 3.64

*Your answer may be counter-intuitive here. Try to explain your results in part C.*