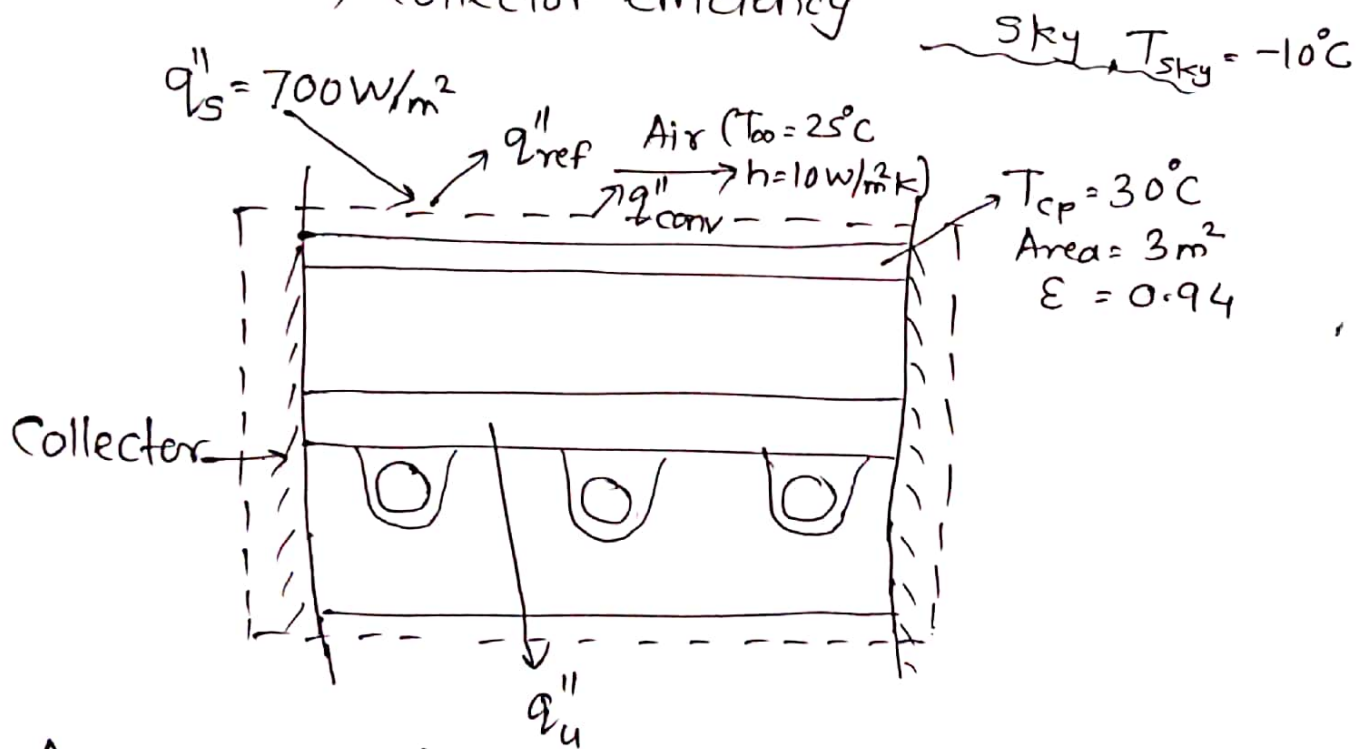


Q1)

Known: Solar collector designed to heat water operating under prescribed solar irradiation and loss conditions.

- Find :
- Useful heat collected per unit area of the collector,  $q_u''$
  - Temperature rise of the water flow,  $T_o - T_i$
  - Collector efficiency



- Assumptions:
- Steady state conditions
  - No heat losses out sides or back of the collector
  - Collector area is small compared to sky surroundings.

Properties:  $C_p$  (water @ 300K) = 4179 J/kg·K

### Analysis

- a) Defining the collector area as the control volume and writing the conservation of Energy requirement on a per unit area basis.

$$\dot{E}_{in} - \dot{E}_{out} + \dot{E}_{gen} = \dot{E}_{st}$$

$$q''_{solar} - q''_{rad} - q''_{conv} - q''_u = 0$$

Here  $q''_{solar} = 0.9 q''_s$  (90% absorbed by collector)

$$q''_u = 0.9 \cdot q''_s - \epsilon \sigma (T_p^4 - T_{sky}^4) - h(T_s - T_\infty)$$

solving,

$$\begin{aligned} q''_u &= 630 \text{ W/m}^2 - 194 \text{ W/m}^2 - 50 \text{ W/m}^2 \\ &= 386 \text{ W/m}^2 \end{aligned}$$

- b) Useful heat  $q''_u$ : A this heat causes enthalpy change of water

$$q''_u \cdot A = \dot{m} C_p (T_i - T_o)$$

Solving,  $T_i - T_o = 27.7^\circ\text{C}$

c) Efficiency  $\eta = q_u'' / q_s'' = 0.55$

$$\eta = 55\%$$

Q2.

(a)  $\dot{E}_m - \dot{E}_{out} = \dot{E}_{st}$

$$\dot{q}_i (4\pi r_i^2) - h (4\pi r_o^2) (T - T_\infty) = \rho \frac{4}{3} \pi (r_o^3 - r_i^3) C_p \frac{dT}{dt}$$

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = \frac{3}{\rho C_p (r_o^3 - r_i^3)} \left[ \dot{q}_i r_i^2 - h r_o^2 (T - T_\infty) \right]$$

substituting numerical values  $\rightarrow$

$$\left( \frac{dT}{dt} \right)_i = \frac{3 \left[ 10^5 (0.5)^2 - 500 (0.6)^2 (500 - 300) \right]}{8055 (510) (0.6^3 - 0.5^3)}$$

$$= -0.084 \text{ K/s}$$

(b) For steady state, we know,

$$\dot{E}_{st} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \dot{q}_i (4\pi r_i^2) = h 4\pi r_o^2 (T - T_\infty)$$

$$\Rightarrow T = T_\infty + \frac{\dot{q}_i}{h} \left( \frac{r_i}{r_o} \right)^2$$

$$= 300 + \frac{10^5}{500} \left( \frac{0.5}{0.6} \right)^2 = 439 \text{ K}$$