

Lecture 9: Introduction to Convection: Flow and Thermal Considerations

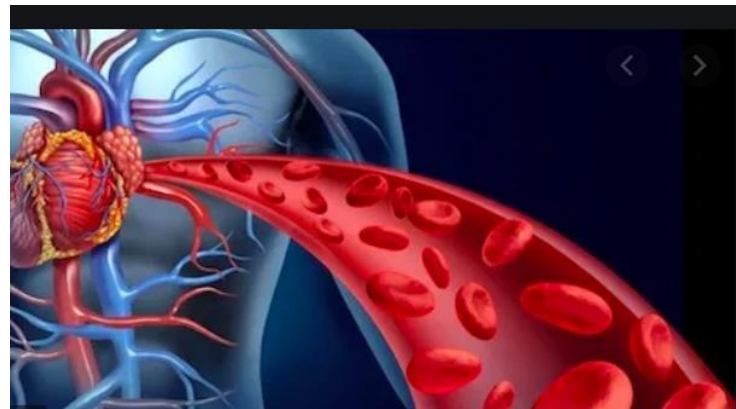
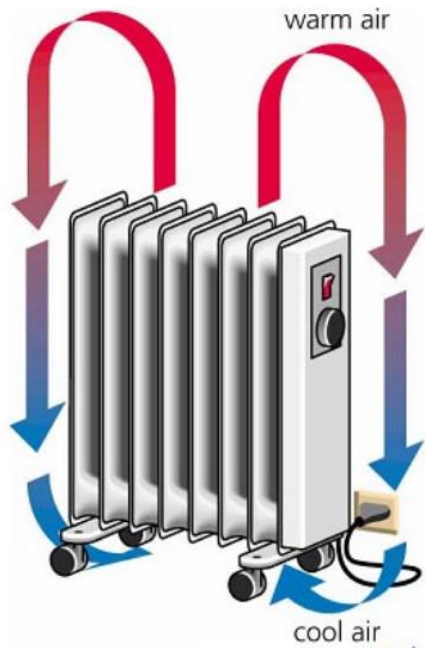
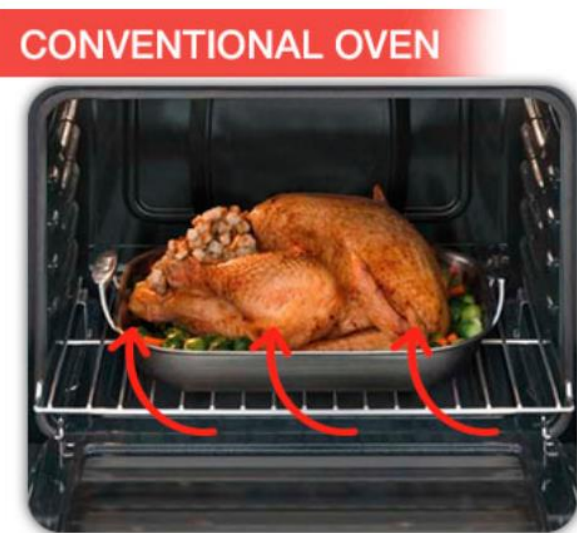
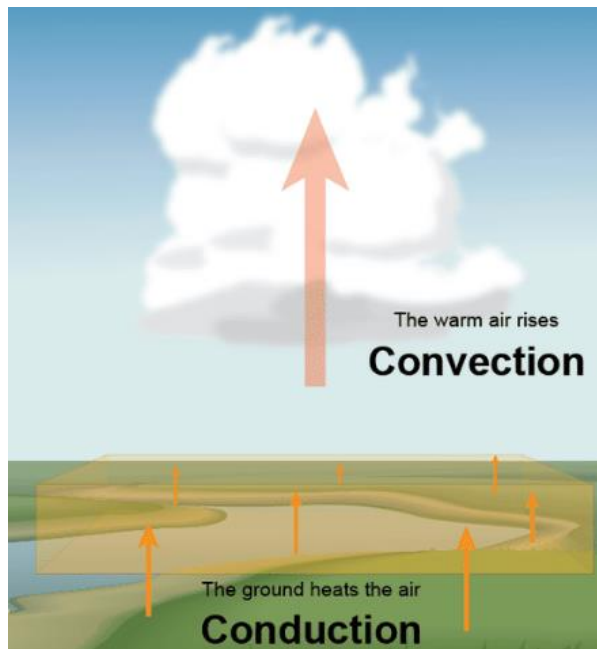
**Chapter Six
Sections 6.1 – 6.3**

- Quiz07 up

1. What is a boundary layer (BL)?
2. How does the velocity (temperature) gradient at the surface change along the flow direction?
3. How does surface shear stress (heat transfer rate) vary along the flow direction in a velocity (thermal) BL? Why?
4. How does the velocity (thermal) BL thickness change with along the flow direction? Why?
5. What is the difference between a local and average heat transfer coefficient?
6. What is the Reynolds number? What is the critical value for judging laminar or turbulent flow over a flat plate?
7. How and why does h change in the laminar, laminar-turbulent, turbulent flow?

Convection == Heat transfer from
surface by
bulk fluid motion (advection) and
diffusion/conduction

Section 6.1



$$q_s = hA_{SA}(T - T_\infty)$$

q_s - heat flow

h - heat transfer coefficient

A_{SA} - surface area of convection

T - Temperature of surface

T_∞ - Temperature of surrounding at ∞

What do we know about this equation?

So, what do we not know?

Fluid moving on Surface → Boundary Layers (Velocity and Thermal)

Section 6.1

- **Velocity Boundary Layer** (velocity)

- What is happening to the particles in the fluid near to the wall?

Zero velocity. Why?

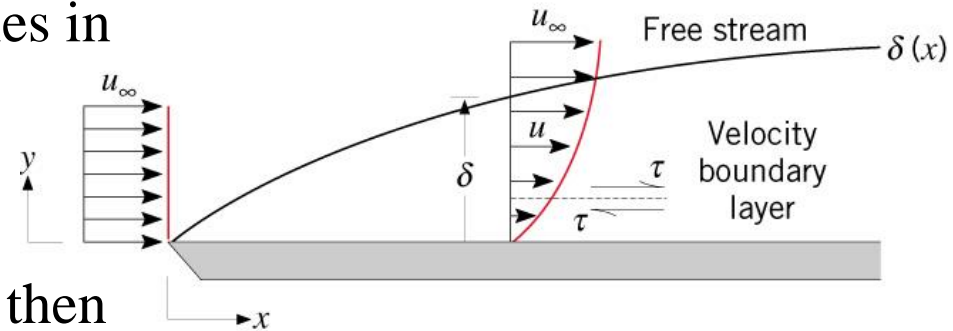
- What happens to the next layer, then the next layer...

- What is slowing them down?

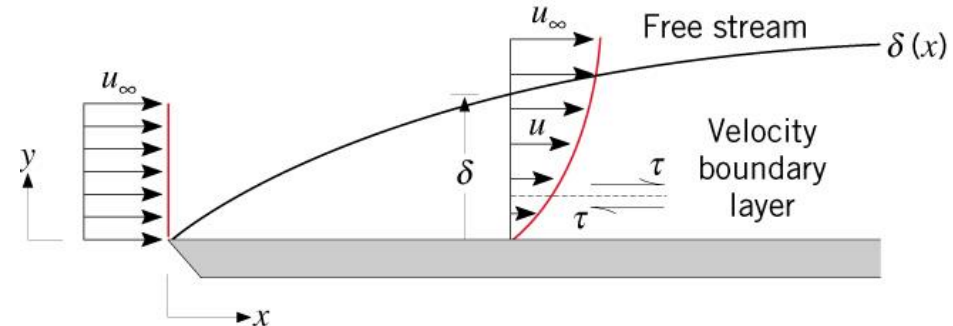
Shear stress

- What happens to u_x at any x in the BL?

Increasing



- **Velocity Boundary Layer** (velocity)



- A region

- between the surface and the free stream whose **thickness δ** increases in the flow direction.
- the flow characterized by shear stresses and velocity gradients.

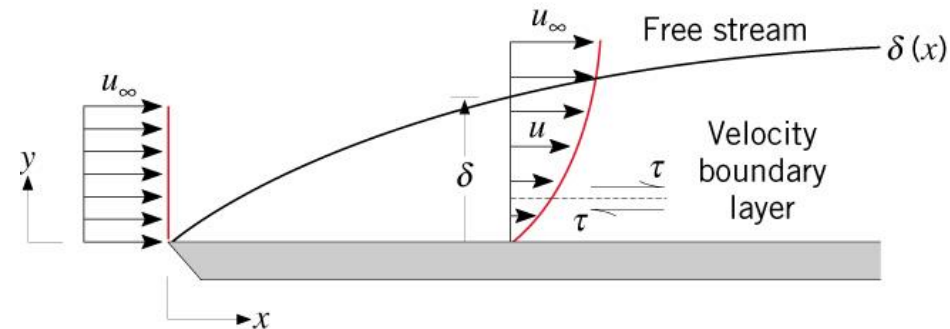
- Why does δ increase in the flow direction?

Increasing number of layers slowing down

$$\delta \rightarrow \frac{u(y)}{u_{\infty}} = 0.99$$

- **Velocity Boundary Layer (Shear)**

- Arises due to viscous effects associated with relative motion between a fluid and a surface.



- A **surface shear stress τ_s** provides a drag force, F_D with μ as the dynamic viscosity [N s/m²].

$$\tau_s = \mu \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0}$$

[N/m²]

$$F_D = \int_{A_s} \tau_s dA_s$$

[N]

$$C_f = \frac{\tau_s}{\rho u_\infty^2 / 2}$$

[dimensionless]

- How does τ_s vary in the flow direction? Why?

Smaller as difference in velocity is getting smaller

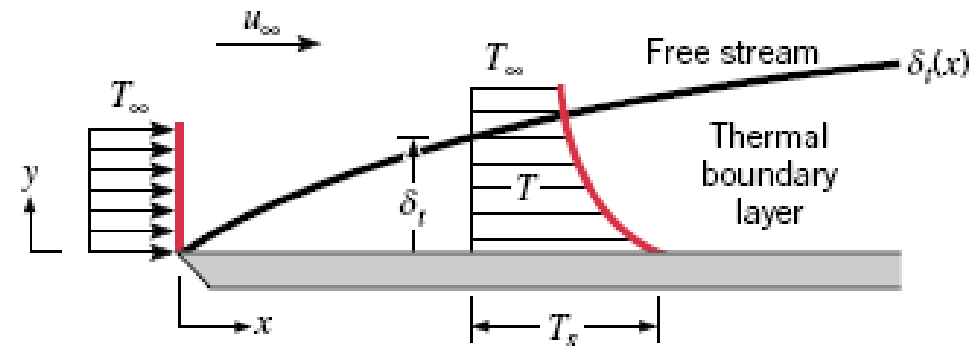
- **Thermal Boundary Layer** (temperature)

- Heat transfer between surface and fluid. $\Rightarrow T_s \neq T_\infty$

- In this picture, which is bigger? T_s or T_∞ ?

- Thickness δ_t increases in the flow direction:

$$\delta_t \rightarrow \frac{T_s - T(y)}{T_s - T_\infty} = 0.99$$



- Why does the temperature along the surface increase with increasing x ? Will the temperature stop increasing?

Heat transfer from surface to fluid

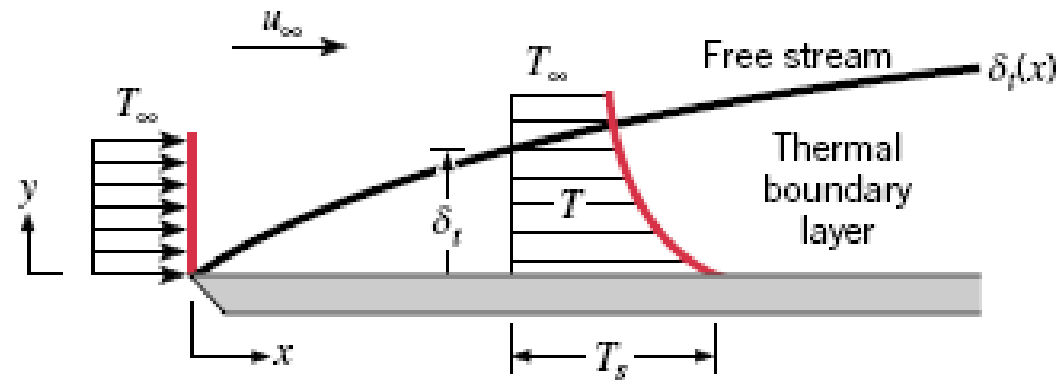
- Why does δ_t increase in the flow direction?

More HT to the fluid along x through time

- **Thermal Boundary Layer** (heat)
 - How does the **surface heat flux** q_s'' transfer to the fluid?

$$q_s'' = -k_f \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0} \quad [\text{W/m}^2]$$

$$q_s'' = h(T_s - T_\infty) \quad [\text{W/m}^2 \cdot \text{K}]$$



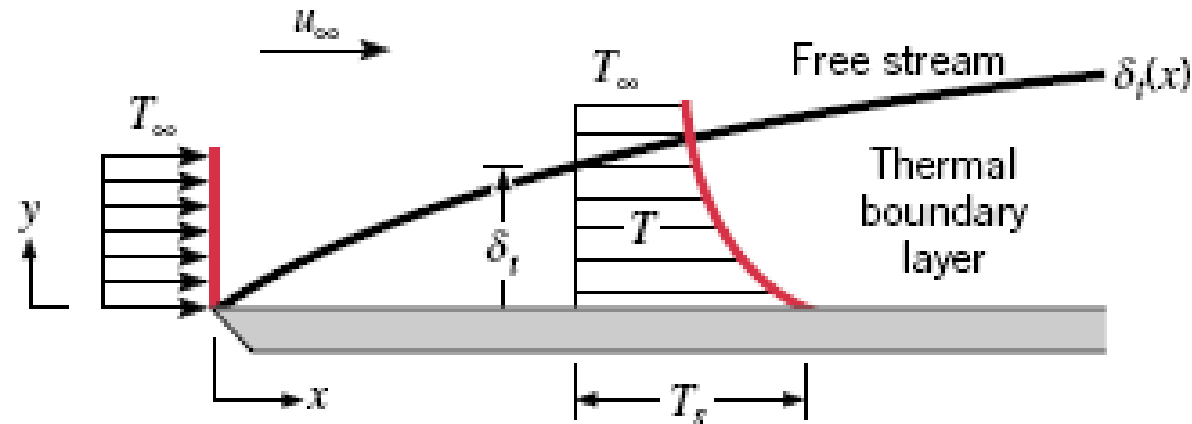
Why there is a Fourier's Law at the fluid surface???

Heat has to transfer to the fluid from the solid. With surface fluid at 0 velocity and in contact with surface, heat is transferred through conduction

$$\Rightarrow h \equiv \frac{-k_f \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0}}{T_s - T_\infty}$$

- **Thermal Boundary Layer** (heat)
 - Region with temperature gradient is the Thermal Boundary Layer

$$h \equiv \frac{-k_f \partial T / \partial y \big|_{y=0}}{T_s - T_\infty}$$



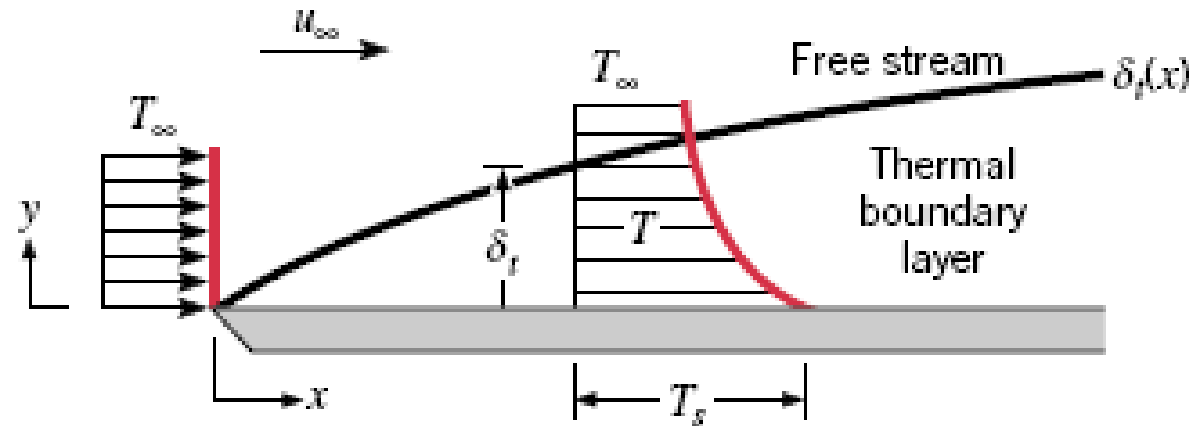
- Does $\partial T / \partial y$ at the surface change with increasing x -direction? Increase or decrease? How do q_s'' and local h change along the flow direction?
- Are the thickness of δ and δ_t the same?

Local and Average Convection Coefficients (h_{local} or h_{ave})

Section 6.2

$$q_s'' = -k_f \left. \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0}$$

$$h \equiv \frac{-k_f \partial T / \partial y|_{y=0}}{T_s - T_\infty}$$



q_s'' and local h along x drops with increasing x .

So, how to find the total heat transfer across the whole surface?

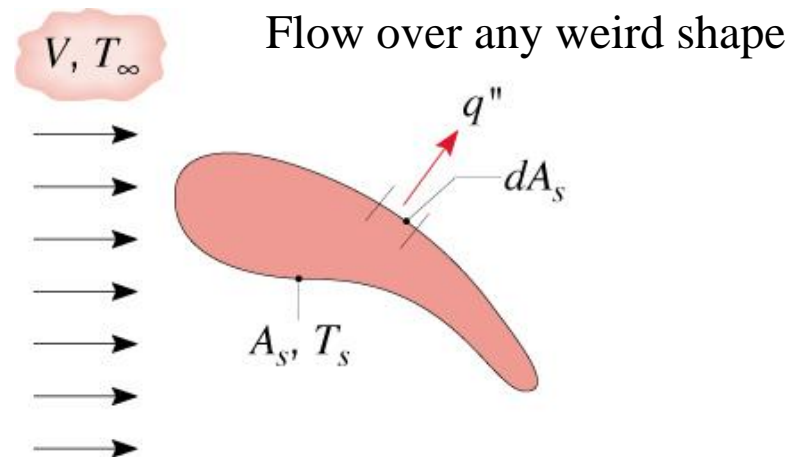
– find average h !

Local Heat Flux and Coefficient:

$$q'' = h(T_s - T_\infty)$$

- Total Heat Rate:

$$q = \int_{A_s} q'' dA_s = (T_s - T_\infty) \int_{A_s} h dA_s$$



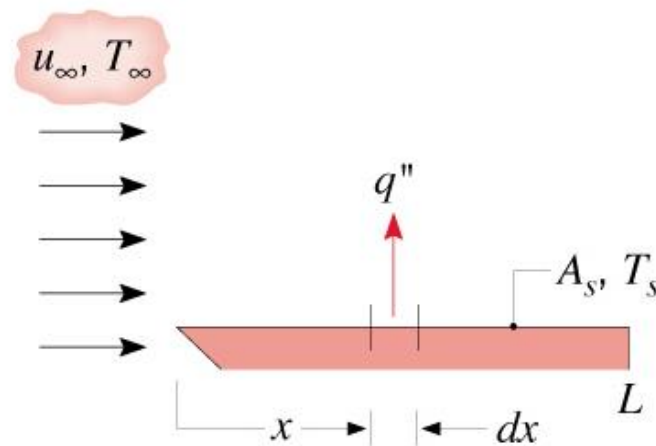
Average Heat Flux and Coefficient for a Uniform Surface Temperature:

Define as $q = \bar{h} A_s (T_s - T_\infty)$

So, $\bar{h} = \frac{1}{A_s} \int_{A_s} h dA_s$

- For a flat plate in parallel flow:

$$\bar{h} = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L h dx$$



Experimental results for the local heat transfer coefficient h_x for flow over a flat plate with an extremely rough surface were found to fit the relation

$$h_x(x) = ax^{-0.1}$$

where a is a coefficient ($\text{W/m}^{1.9} \cdot \text{K}$) and x (m) is the distance from the leading edge of the plate.

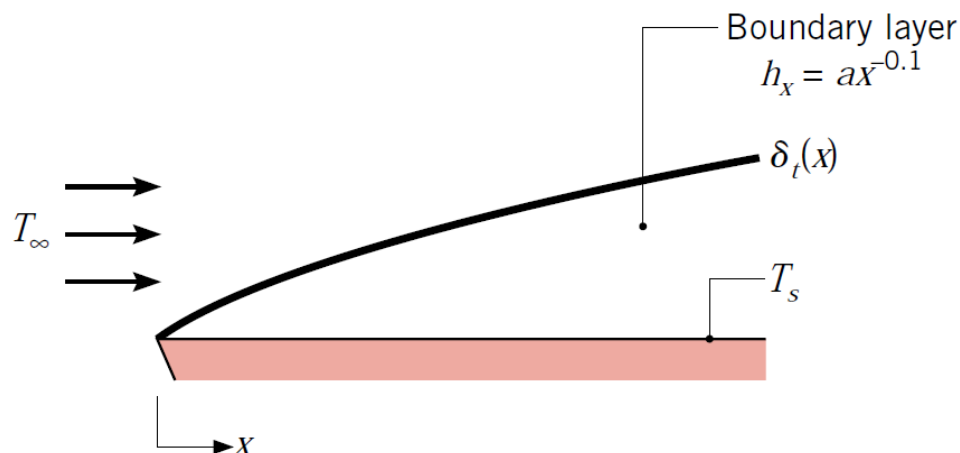
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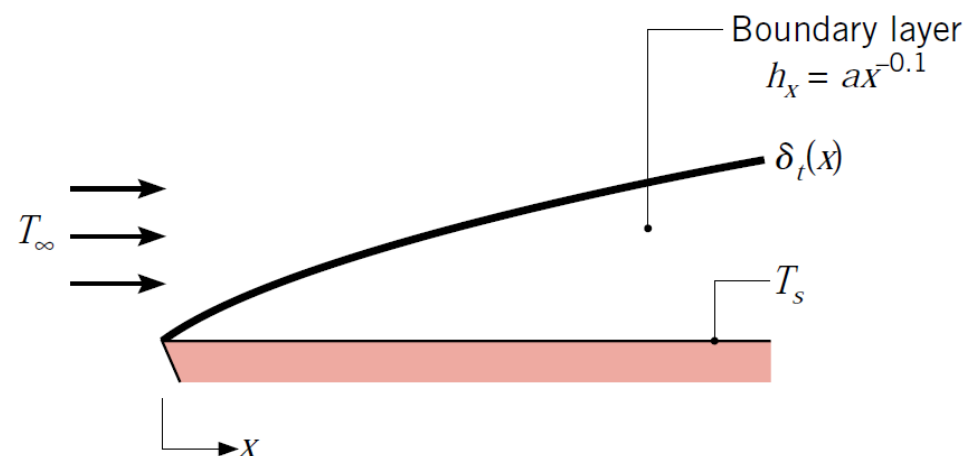
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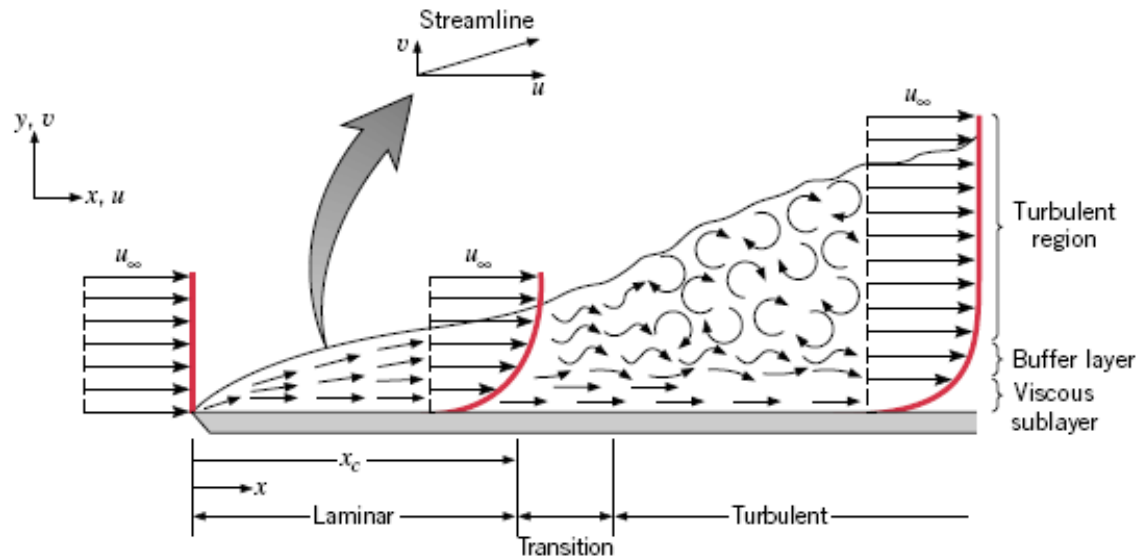
- Do we have local h or average h ?

$$\begin{aligned}
 \bar{h} &= \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L h dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x ax^{-0.1} dx \\
 &= 1.11ax^{-0.1} \\
 &= 1.11h_x
 \end{aligned}$$

What is missing in our Flow? Laminar and Turbulent

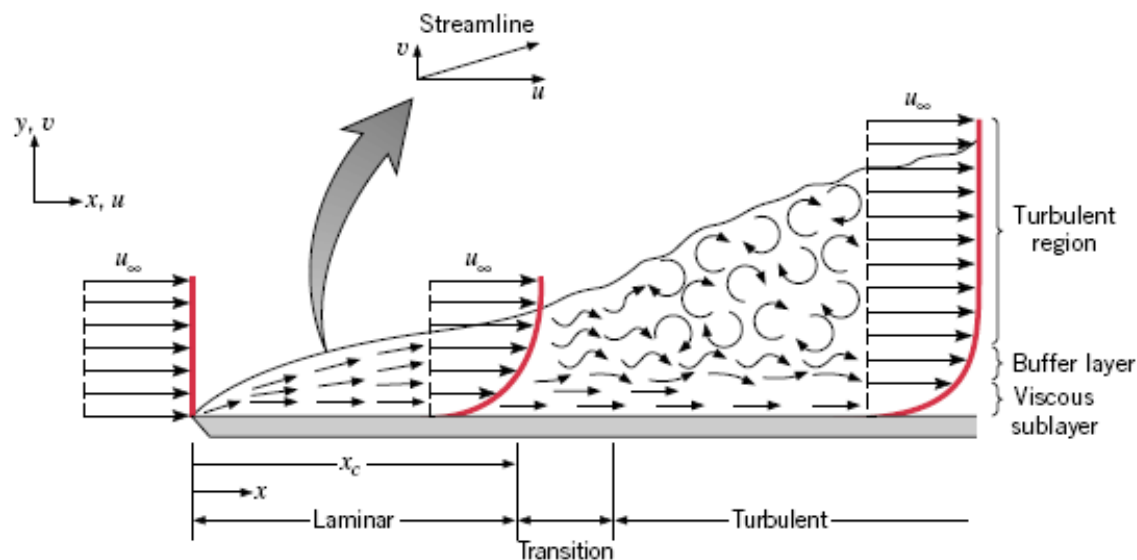
Section 6.3

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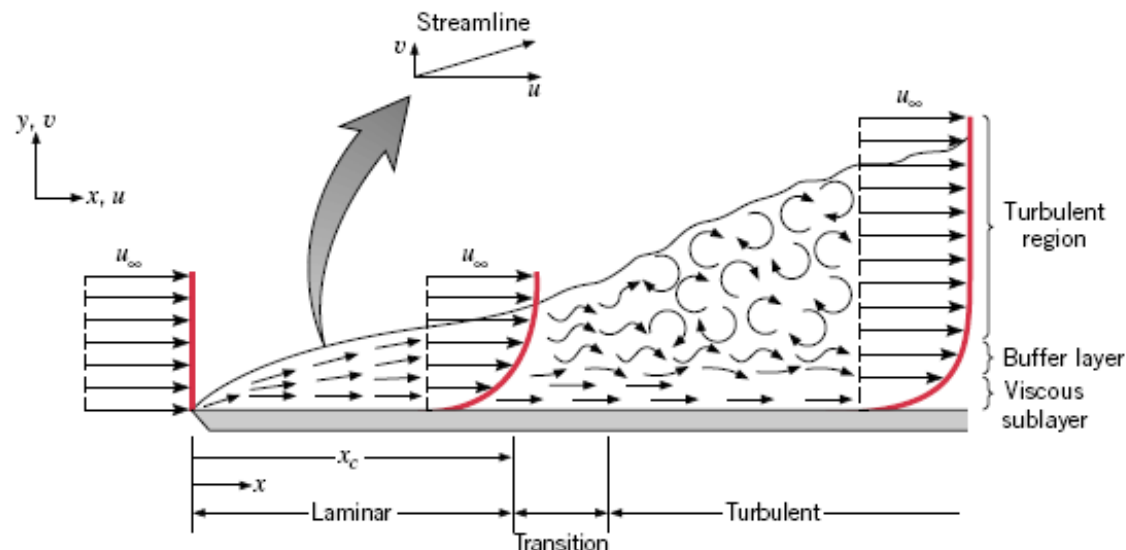
- **First Step** to solve HT convection problems

- Determine **the boundary layer flow type! Laminar or Turbulent!**
- Convection rates depend on these conditions.
- How do you judge the flow condition?



• Laminar BL

- Highly ordered streamlines
- Laminar BL grows with x
 - du/dy at wall ($y = 0$) becomes smaller
 - smaller surface shear stress, τ_s
- BL grows until Transition happens



• Turbulent BL

- Highly irregular with random 3D mixing! Complex!
- High speed fluid from top replace slow speed ones at surface
- Vortices appear and disappear rapidly near to plate
 - Velocity and pressure fluctuations in BL
- Separated into 3 parts:
 - **Viscous sublayer** – diffusion with **nearly linear y-velocity profile**
 - **Buffer sublayer** – diffusion and turbulent mixing **comparable**
 - **Turbulent region** – **turbulent mixing with flat y-velocity profile**

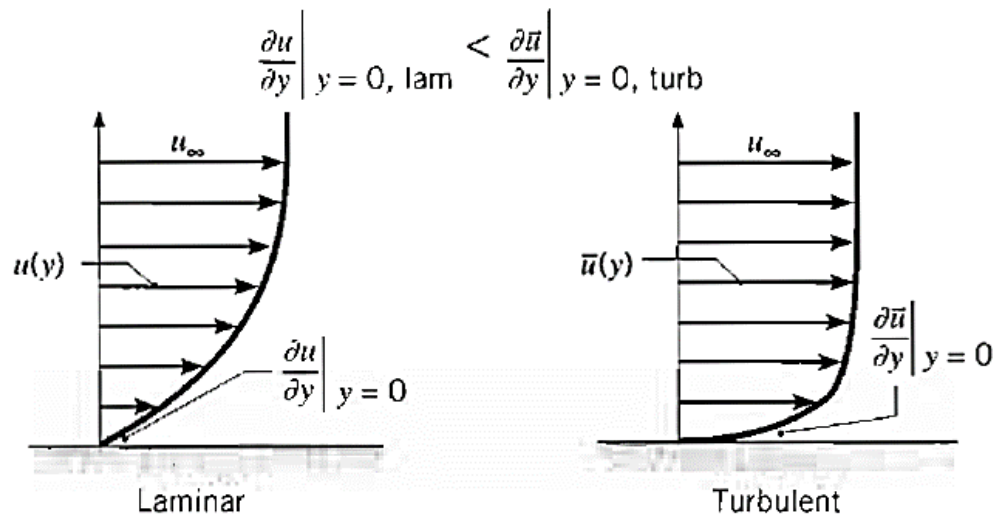


FIGURE 6.7 Comparison of laminar and turbulent velocity boundary layer profiles for the same free stream velocity.³

• Velocity Profile in Laminar vs Turbulent BL

- Which is steeper at the surface?

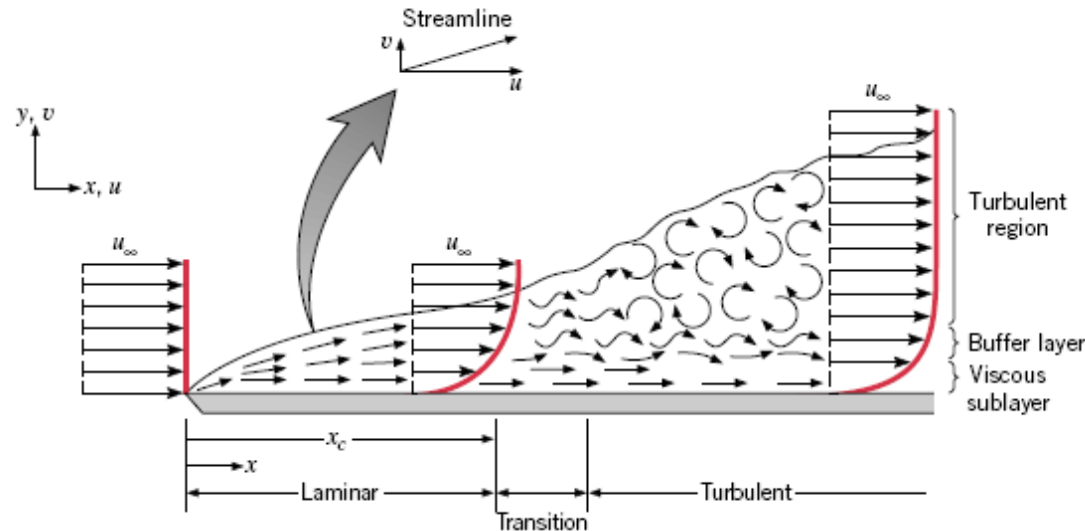
Turbulent

- Which will give a larger surface shear stress?

Turbulent

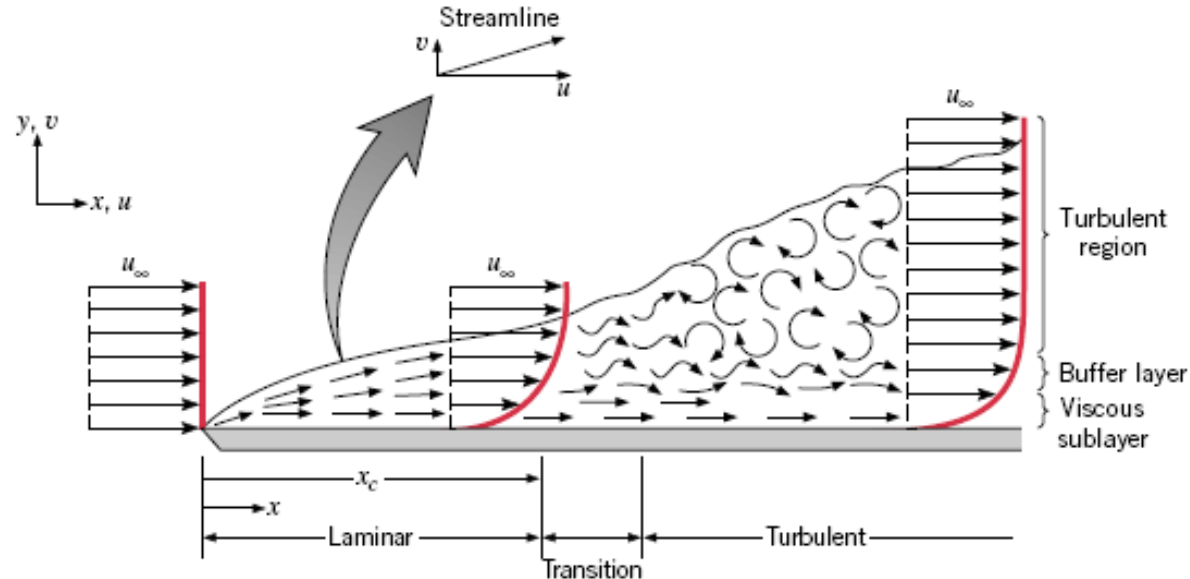
- Why the profile in Turbulent BL looks flat away from surface?

Mixing of faster fluid layer from the top



- What causes **transition** from laminar to turbulent flow?
 - Disturbance from
- Reynolds number quantifies the transition from laminar to turbulent flow

$$Re_x \equiv \frac{\rho u_{\infty} x}{\mu} = \frac{\text{inertia}}{\text{viscous}} = \frac{\text{amplifying}}{\text{dissipating}}$$



- **Transition criterion** for a flat plate in parallel flow:

$$Re_{x,c} \equiv \frac{\rho u_{\infty} x_c}{\mu} \rightarrow \text{critical Reynolds number}$$

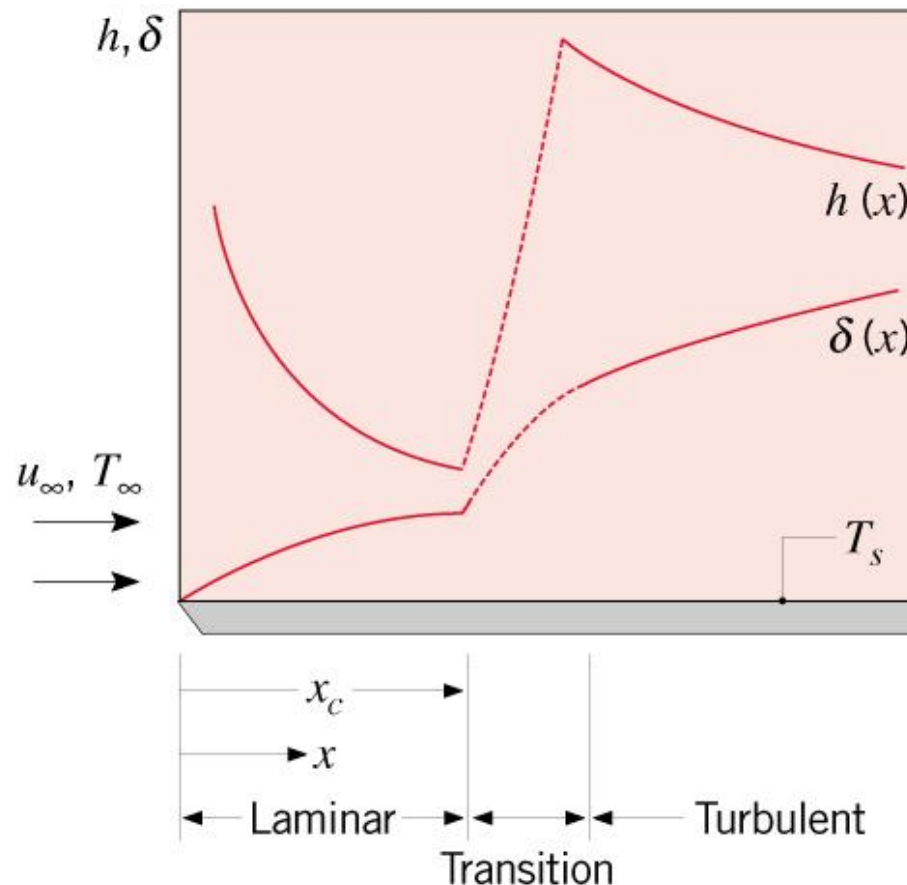
$x_c \rightarrow$ location at which transition to turbulence begins

$$10^5 \lesssim Re_{x,c} \lesssim 3 \times 10^6$$

$Re_{x,c} = 5 \times 10^5$ is typically used.

Has transition happened if $Re_L < Re_{x,c}$? If $Re_L > Re_{x,c}$?

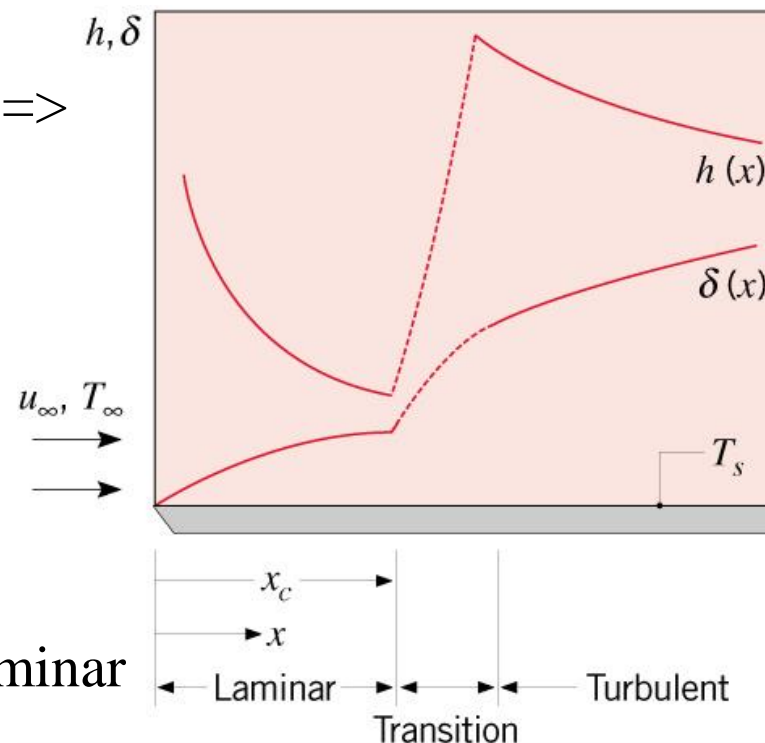
- Effect of transition on boundary layer thickness and local convection coefficient:



- Velocity \Rightarrow particle motions carry energy \Rightarrow heat transfer happens

- Velocity profile important for temperature profile

$$h \equiv \frac{-k_f \partial T / \partial y|_{y=0}}{T_s - T_\infty}$$



- Why does the local h , decay in the laminar region with increasing x ?

– Increase Thermal BL \Rightarrow smaller $\partial T / \partial y$ at surface

- Why does h increase significantly with transition, despite BL increases

• Turbulent mixing \Rightarrow more layers having higher velocity

- Why does h decay in the turbulent region with increasing x ?

Water flows at a velocity $u_\infty = 1$ m/s over a flat plate of length $L = 0.6$ m. Consider two cases, one for which the water temperature is approximately 300 K and the other for an approximate water temperature of 350 K. In the laminar and turbulent regions, experimental measurements show that the local convection coefficients are well described by

$$h_{\text{lam}}(x) = C_{\text{lam}} x^{-0.5} \quad h_{\text{turb}}(x) = C_{\text{turb}} x^{-0.2}$$

where x has units of m. At 300 K,

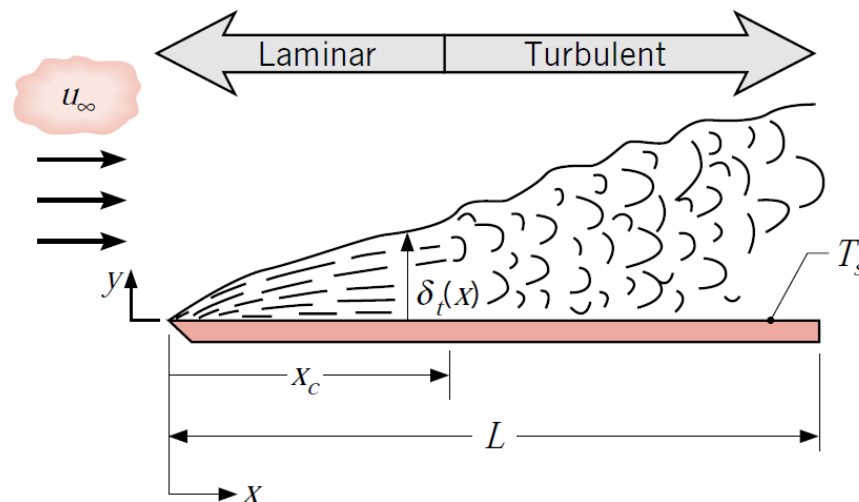
$$C_{\text{lam},300} = 395 \text{ W/m}^{1.5} \cdot \text{K} \quad C_{\text{turb},300} = 2330 \text{ W/m}^{1.8} \cdot \text{K}$$

while at 350 K,

$$C_{\text{lam},350} = 477 \text{ W/m}^{1.5} \cdot \text{K} \quad C_{\text{turb},350} = 3600 \text{ W/m}^{1.8} \cdot \text{K}$$

As is evident, the constant, C , depends on the nature of the flow as well as the water temperature because of the thermal dependence of various properties of the fluid.

Determine the average convection coefficient, \bar{h} , over the entire plate for the two water temperatures.



- Where does the laminar BL end and Turbulent BL begin?

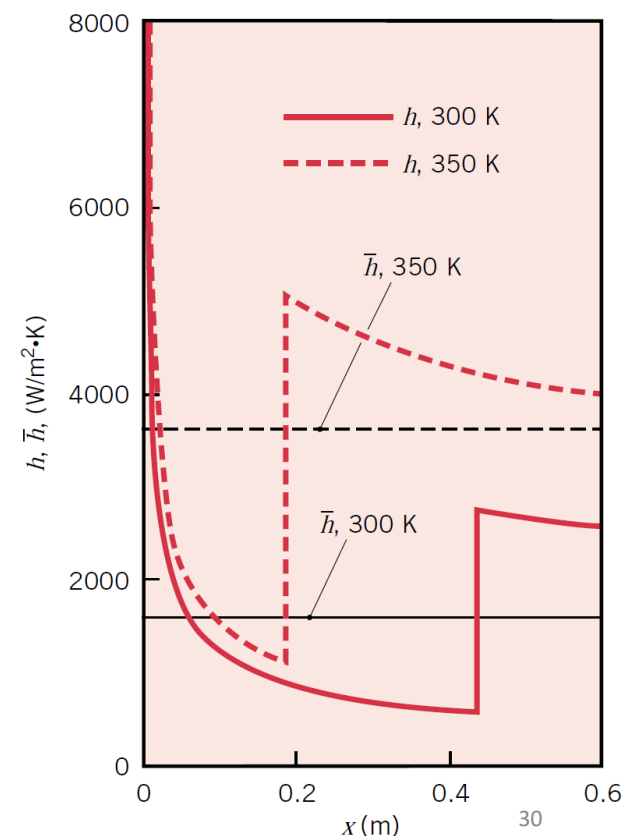
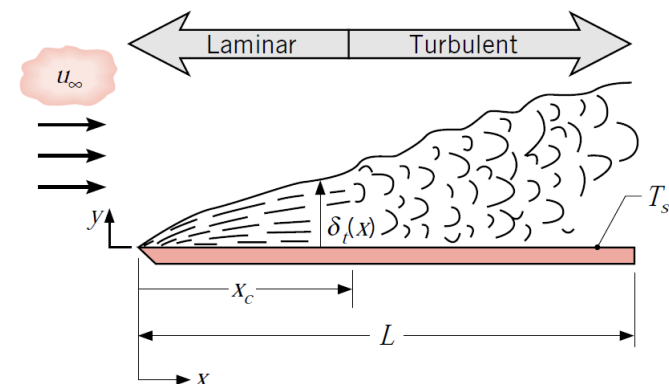
$$- Re_{x_c} = \frac{\rho u_{\infty} x_c}{\mu} = 5 \times 10^5$$

- Will this location be the same for 300°C and 350°C?

– No

- So there is mixed flow on the plate, how to find the average h ?

$$\bar{h} = \frac{1}{L} \int_0^L h dx = \frac{1}{L} \left[\int_0^{x_c} h_{lam} dx + \int_{x_c}^L h_{turb} dx \right]$$



Summary

- Boundary Layers
 - Velocity
 - Thermal
- Velocity profile and temperature profile affect surface shear stress and heat transfer
- Heat transfer at the surface related to local h
- Laminar and Turbulent flow
 - Flow characteristics
 - h characteristics

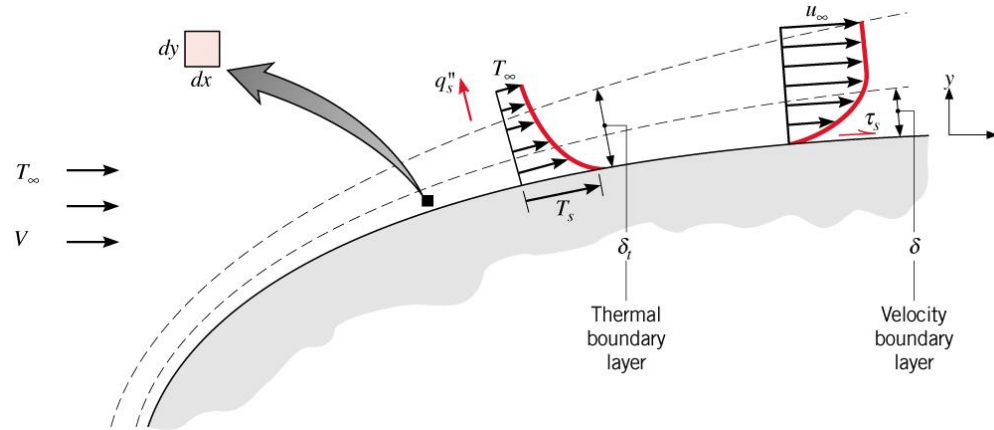
Introduction to Convection: BL Equations and Similarity

Chapter Six
Sections 6.4 – 6.5

1. What are the common boundary layer approximations?
2. What are the Re , Pr and Nu number?
3. What variables are used for non-dimensionalizing BL equations?
4. What do T^* and Nu depend on?

Boundary Layer Equations

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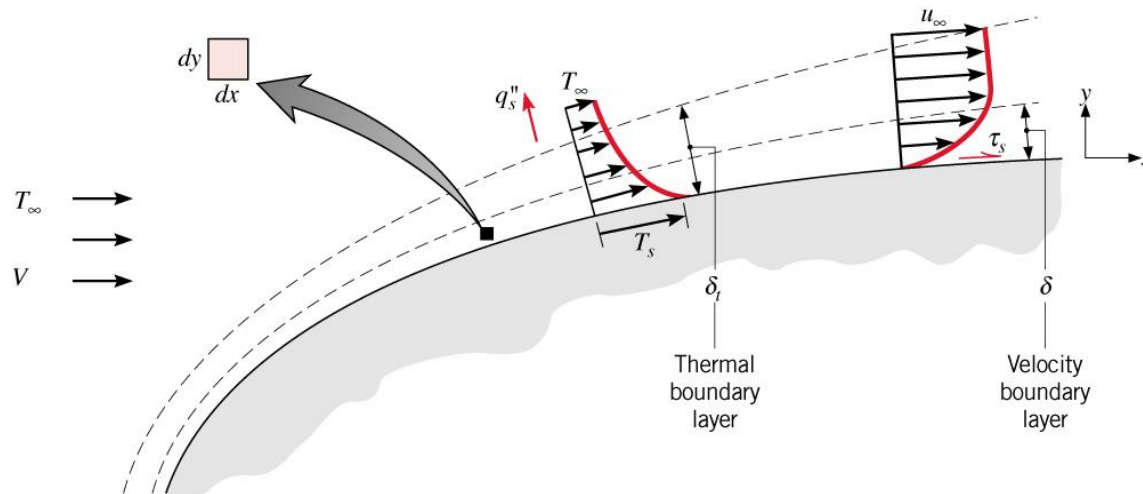


Consider concurrent velocity and thermal boundary layer development for **steady, two-dimensional, incompressible flow** with **constant fluid properties** (μ, c_p, k) and **negligible body forces**.

- Why BLs are formed?

- Velocity BL due to ... $u_\infty \neq u_s$

- Thermal BL due to ... $T_\infty \neq T_s$

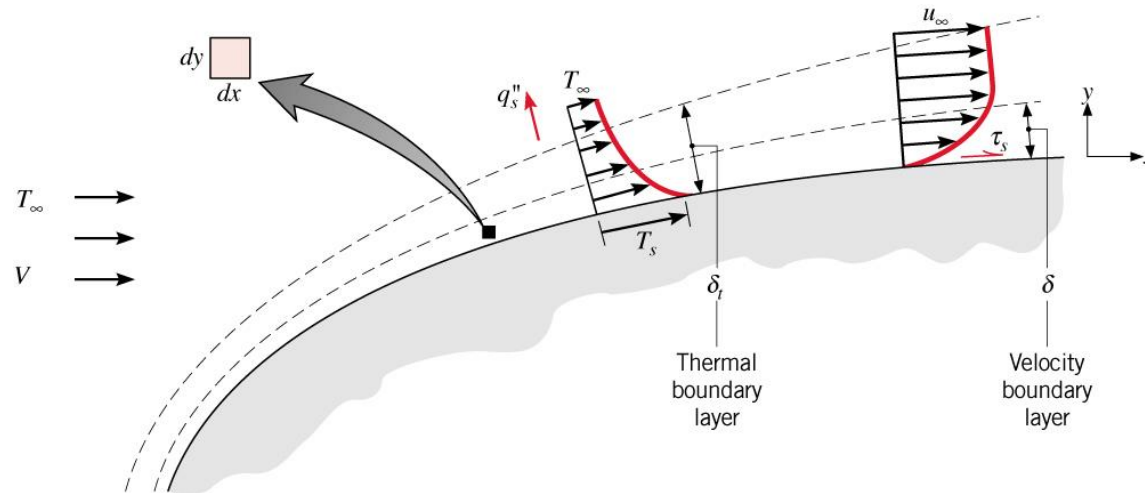


How to solve for the velocity and temperature in the BL so that we can find the HT?

- Apply
 - Step 1: Conservation of mass
 - Step 2: Conservation of energy
 - Step 3: Newton's 2nd Law of Motion

to a differential control volume (dx , dy , dz) and invoke **the boundary layer approximations**.

The resulting equations for **steady-state, 2D incompressible flow with constant properties** are found in Appendix F and G of textbook.



- Steady 2D incompressible flow (u, v) with constant fluid properties and negligible body forces to a differential control volume (dx, dy)

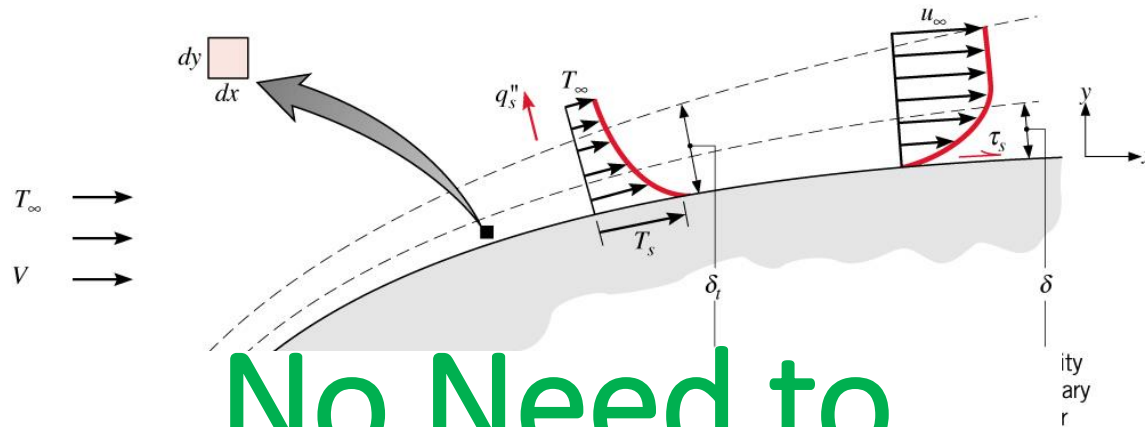
- Conservation of mass (steady, 2D, incompressible, $\dot{m}_{in} = \dot{m}_{out}$)
$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

- Conservation of energy
$$\rho c_p \left(u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) = k \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \right) + \mu \Phi + \dot{q}$$
 (D.4)

where
$$\mu \Phi \equiv \mu \left\{ \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} \right)^2 + 2 \left[\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} \right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right)^2 \right] \right\}$$
 (D.5)

- Newton's 2nd Law of Motion
$$\rho \left(u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) + X$$
 (D.2)

$$\rho \left(u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial y} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \right) + Y$$
 (D.3)



No Need to
Remember
But
to Know
Meaning of
each term

- Steady 2D incompressible flow with negligible body forces to a fluid of constant properties
- Conservation of mass
- Conservation of momentum
- Conservation of energy
- Newton's 2nd Law

and negligible

$$\frac{u}{x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0$$

(D.4)

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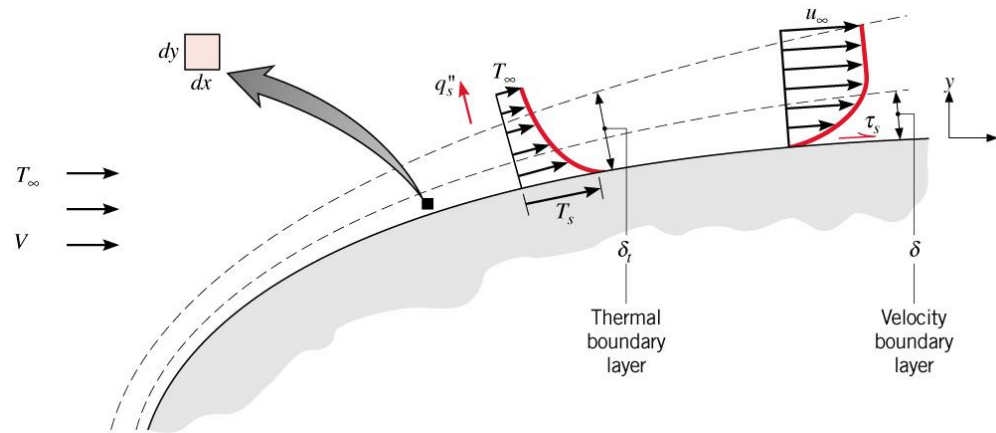
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Boundary Layer Approximations

Simplify the BL Equations

Section 6.4



Steady 2D incompressible (\Rightarrow constant density) flow with velocity (u , v), constant fluid properties, and negligible body forces and heat generation to a differential control volume (dx , dy)

- The **boundary layer approximations**:
 - Very thin compared to the object length $\Rightarrow dy \ll dx$

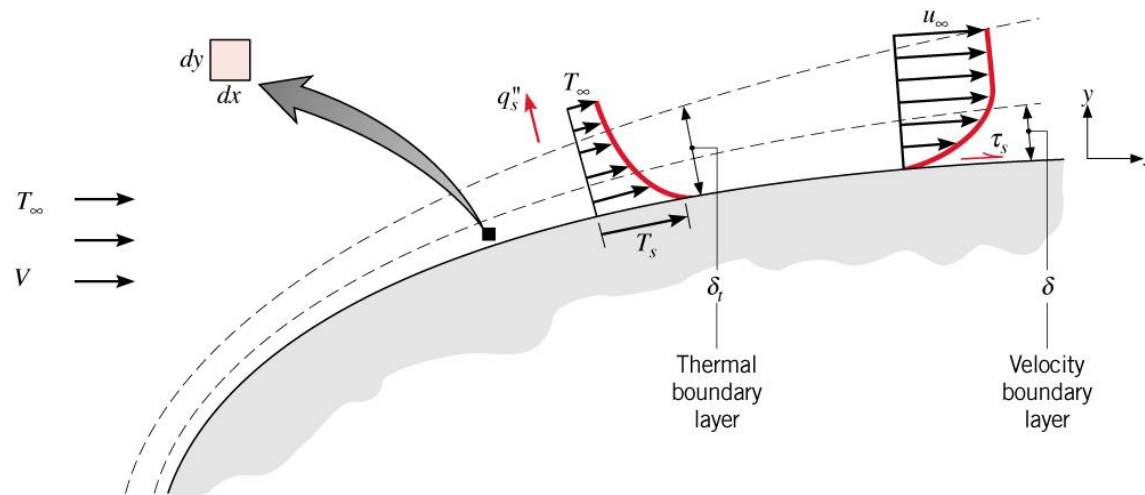
Velocity Boundary Layer:

$$\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} \ll \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} \approx \frac{dp_\infty}{dx}$$

Thermal Boundary Layer:

$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} \ll \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2}$$



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 (D.5)

- Newton's 2nd Law of Motion
$$\rho \left(u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = - \frac{\partial p_\infty}{\partial x} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) + X$$
 (D.2)

$$\rho \left(u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} \right) = - \frac{\partial p_\infty}{\partial y} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 v}{\partial y^2} \right) + Y$$
 (D.3)

- **Conservation of Mass:** $\dot{m}_{\text{in}} = \dot{m}_{\text{out}}$

$$\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + \frac{\partial v}{\partial y} = 0 \quad (6.27)$$

- Where is the mass in this conservation of mass?

- **Newton's Second Law of Motion:**

$$\rho \left(u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right) = -\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + \mu \left(\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \right) + X$$

x-direction:



$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dp_{\infty}}{dx} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \quad (6.28)$$

- What is the physical significance of each term in (6.28)? Which is from fluid momentum, pressure, and viscous forces

- Conservation of Energy:

$$\rho c_p \left(u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) = k \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} \right) + \mu \Phi + \dot{q} \quad (\text{D.4})$$



$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\nu}{c_p} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \quad (6.29)$$

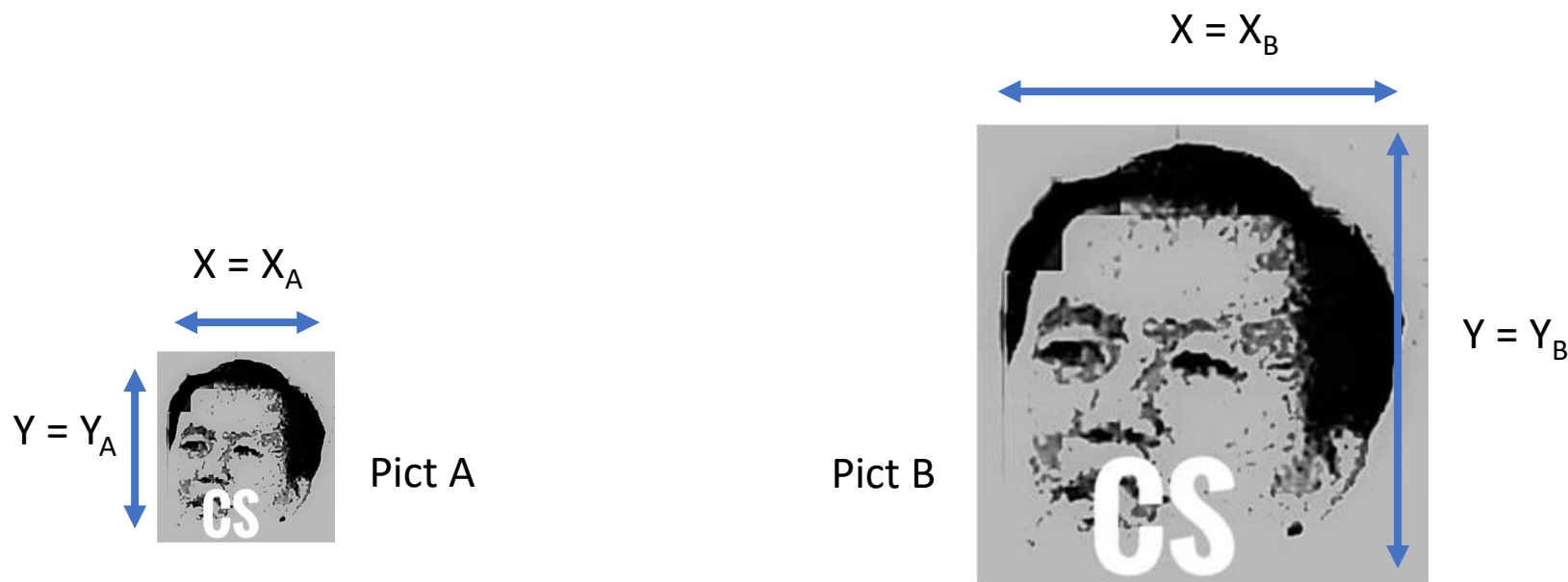
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Boundary Layer Similarity

Use similarity to solve unknowns

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- Principle of **similarity**:
 - **Similarity parameters** facilitate results for geometrically similar surfaces experiencing different conditions.



- Are these two pictures similar?
- If so, we can extract the value of a certain quality from one picture if we know the value of this quality from another picture.
- Example: **Pretty** = $f(X, Y)$

- Principle of **similarity**:
 - **Similarity parameters** facilitate results for geometrically similar surfaces experiencing different conditions.

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dp_{\infty}}{dx} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \quad (6.28) \text{ Conservation of Energy (Approx.)}$$

$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\nu}{c_p} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \quad (6.29) \text{ Newton's 2}^{\text{nd}} \text{ Law (Approx.)}$$

- Can you see anything similar between these two equations?
- What are you interested to get from a velocity boundary layer?
- What are you interested to get from a thermal boundary layer?

u or τ_s

T or q'' (or h)

- **Independent variables** are:

Geometrical: Size (L), Location (x, y)

Hydrodynamic: Velocity (V)

Fluid Properties:

Hydrodynamic: ρ, μ

Thermal: c_p, k

- **Dependent boundary layer variables** of interest are:

τ_s and q'' (or h)

Fluid BL,

$$u = f(x, y, L, V, \rho, \mu)$$

$$\tau_s = f(x, L, V, \rho, \mu)$$

Thermal BL,

$$T = f(x, y, L, V, \rho, \mu, c_p, k, T_s, T_\infty)$$

$$h = f(x, L, V, \rho, \mu, c_p, k, T_s, T_\infty)$$

Get **key similarity parameters** from **non-dimensionalizing** the momentum and energy equations.

- **Recast BL equations** using dimensionless **independent and dependent variables**.

$$x^* \equiv \frac{x}{L}$$

$$y^* \equiv \frac{y}{L}$$

$$u^* \equiv \frac{u}{V}$$

$$v^* \equiv \frac{v}{V}$$

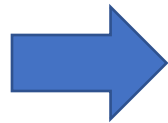
$$T^* \equiv \frac{T - T_s}{T_\infty - T_s}$$

What is the expression for $\frac{du^*}{dx^*}$?

- Get the following **normalized forms** of the x -momentum and energy equations are obtained:

The Momentum equation

$$u \frac{\partial u}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} = -\frac{1}{\rho} \frac{dp_{\infty}}{dx} + \nu \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial y^2} \quad (6.28)$$

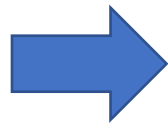


$$u^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial x^*} + v^* \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*} = -\frac{dp^*}{dx^*} + \frac{1}{Re_L} \frac{\partial^2 u^*}{\partial y^{*2}} \quad (6.35)$$

The Energy equation

$$u \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} = \alpha \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\nu}{c_p} \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right)^2 \quad (6.29)$$

(neglected)



$$u^* \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial x^*} + v^* \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial y^*} = \frac{1}{Re_L Pr} \frac{\partial^2 T^*}{\partial y^{*2}} \quad (6.36)$$

In these equations,

Only Re_L and Pr are not normalized.

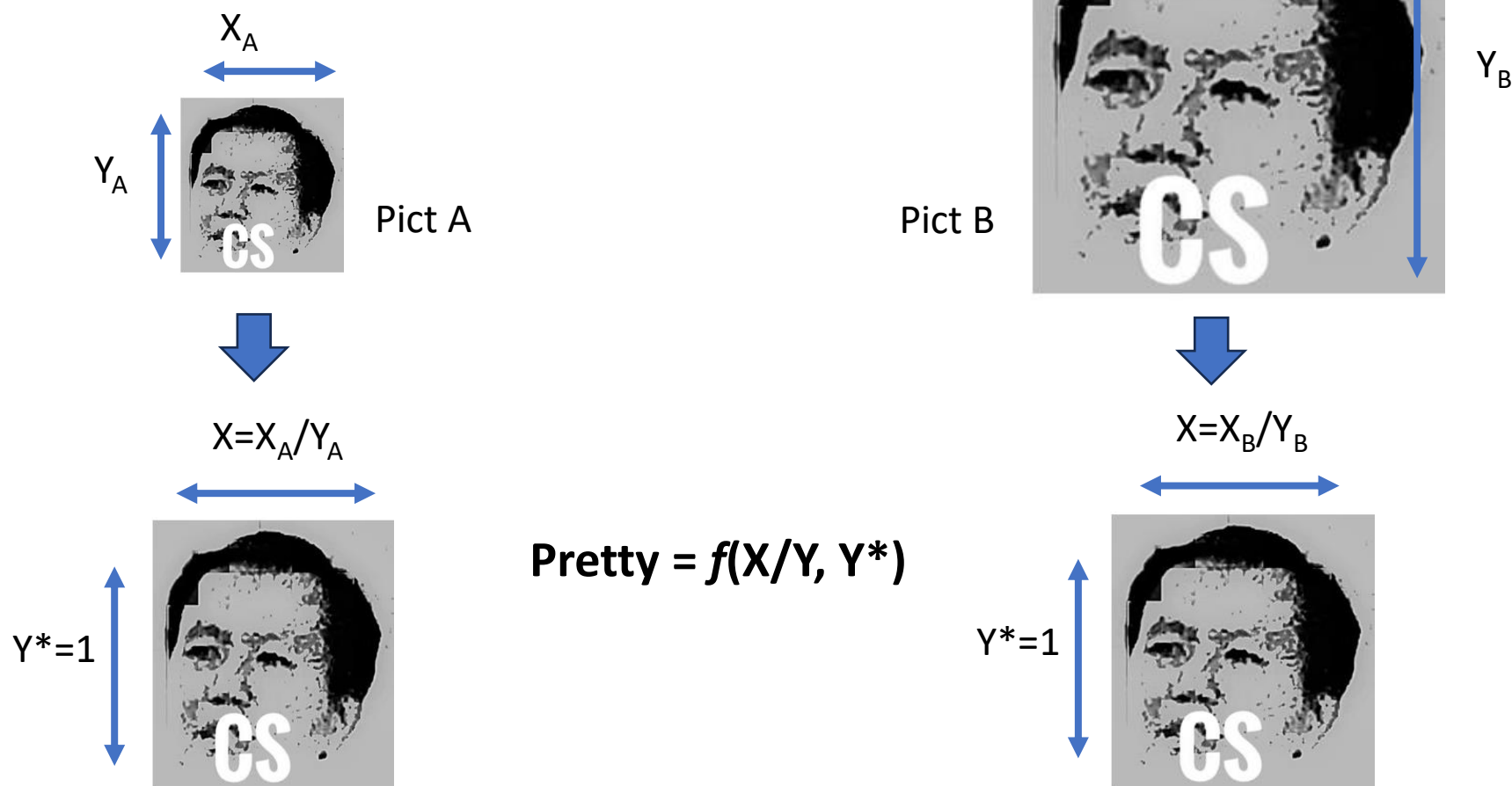
So, if Re_L and Pr are the same for different situations, solutions will be similar.

$$Re_L \equiv \frac{\rho VL}{\mu} = \frac{VL}{\nu} \rightarrow \text{the Reynolds Number} \quad (6.41)$$

$$Pr \equiv \frac{c_p \mu}{k} = \frac{\nu}{\alpha} \rightarrow \text{the Prandtl Number} \quad (6.42)$$

What is the meaning of the Reynolds and Prandtl number?
(more next lecture)

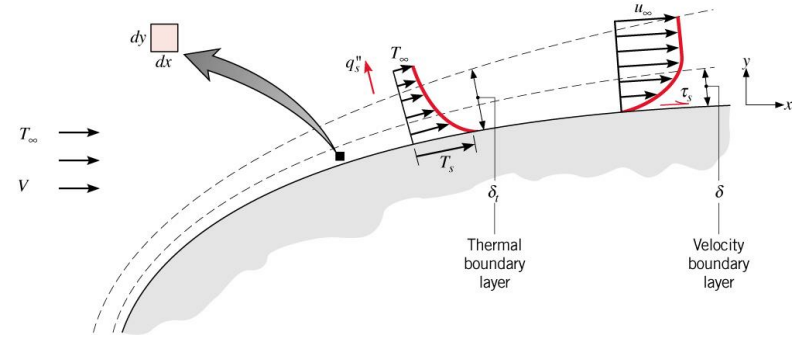
- Normalize by Y (divide by Y), make the pictures to be as similar as possible.
- See what else is independent that need to be matched for these pictures to be similar



For a prescribed geometry from (6.35),

$$u^* = f(x^*, y^*, Re_L)$$

Shear stress:
$$\tau_s = \mu \left. \frac{\partial u}{\partial y} \right|_{y=0} = \left(\frac{\mu V}{L} \right) \left. \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*} \right|_{y^*=0}$$



The dimensionless shear stress, or **local friction coefficient**, is then

$$C_f \equiv \frac{\tau_s}{\rho V^2 / 2} = \frac{2}{Re_L} \left. \frac{\partial u^*}{\partial y^*} \right|_{y^*=0} \quad (6.45)$$

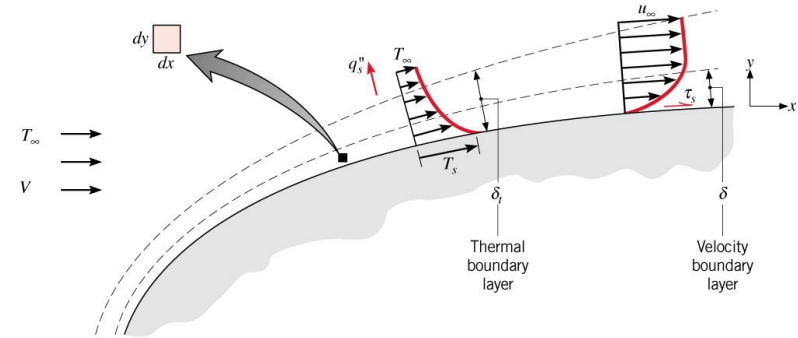
So,

$$C_f = \frac{2}{Re_L} f(x^*, Re_L) \quad (6.46)$$

Eq (6.46) means for this geometry, C_f can be found for a wide range of x , V , L (from x and Re). No need to re-analyze!

For a prescribed geometry from (6.36),

$$T^* = f(x^*, y^*, Re_L, Pr)$$



Heat transfer coefficient:

$$h = \frac{-k_f \partial T / \partial y|_{y=0}}{T_s - T_\infty} = -\frac{k_f}{L} \frac{(T_\infty - T_s)}{(T_s - T_\infty)} \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial y^*} \bigg|_{y^*=0} = +\frac{k_f}{L} \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial y^*} \bigg|_{y^*=0}$$

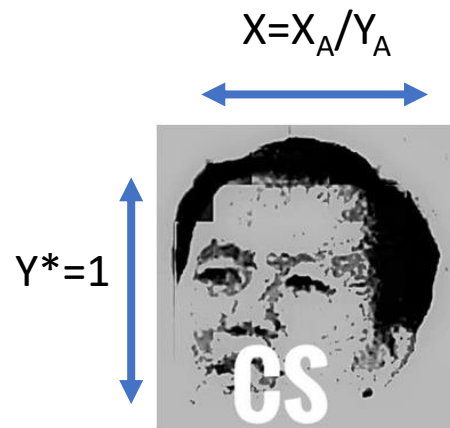
We define a **NEW** dimensionless number called the **Nusselt number**.
The **local convection coefficient** is then

$$Nu \equiv \frac{hL}{k_f} = \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial y^*} \bigg|_{y^*=0} = f(x^*, Re_L, Pr) \quad (6.48; 6.49)$$

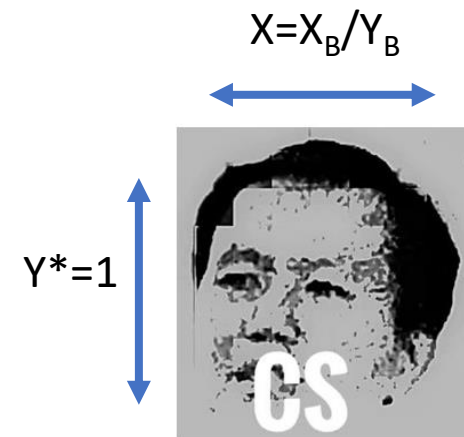
$Nu \rightarrow$ **local Nusselt number** = dimensionless temperature gradient dependent on x^* , Re , and Pr .

Average Nusselt number:

- \overline{Nu} Obtained by integrating over the x -distance \Rightarrow does not change with x or x^*



Pict A



Pict B

$$\text{Pretty} = f(X/Y, Y^*)$$

$$\text{If } (X/Y)_A == (X/Y)_B,$$

- $\text{Pretty}_A = \text{Pretty}_B$

- **But Pretty = Color/Roundness**

So we can find Roundness of B if we know Roundness of A

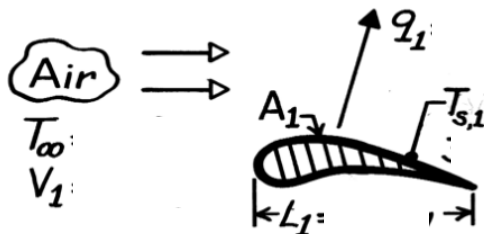
Consider the average Nu number:

$$\overline{Nu} \equiv \frac{hL}{k_f} = \left. \frac{\partial T^*}{\partial y^*} \right|_{y^*=0} = f(x^*, Re_L, Pr)$$

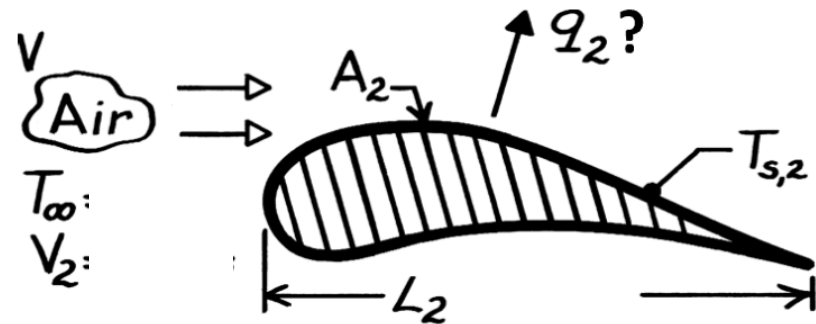
For two different geometries Case A and Case B :

- if the Independent Dimensionless Numbers are the same in the Green box \Rightarrow Dependent Dimensionless Numbers in Red box are the same.

Case A



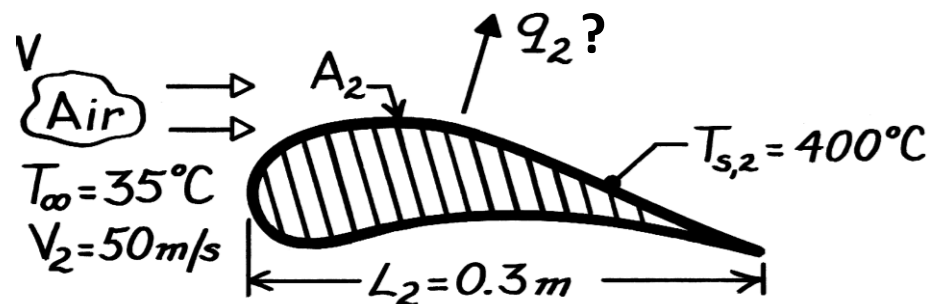
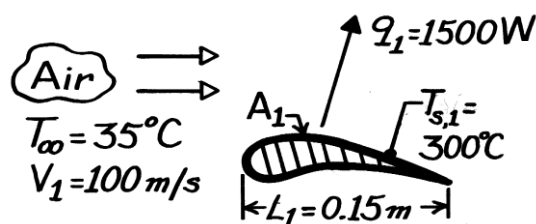
Case B



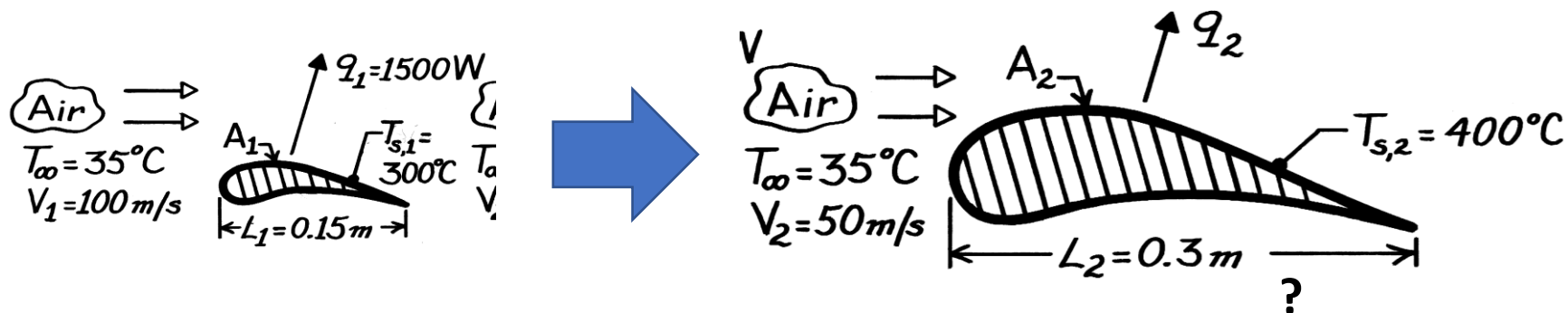
Summary

- BL equations
- BL approximations
- Non-dimensionalizing variables
- Re and Pr number and their meaning
- What is Nu number

Problem 6.24: Determination of heat transfer rate for prescribed turbine blade operating conditions from wind tunnel data obtained for a geometrically similar but smaller blade. The blade surface area may be assumed to be ($A_s \propto L$) directly proportional to its characteristic length.



- What is the use of a wind tunnel?
- Why make a model?
- What needs to be the same in the model and real object for experiment to be true?



ASSUMPTIONS: (1) Steady-state conditions, (2) Constant properties, (3) Surface area A is directly proportional to characteristic length L , (4) Negligible radiation, (5) Blade shapes are geometrically similar.

ANALYSIS: For a prescribed geometry, for both objects:

$$\overline{Nu} = \frac{\bar{h}L}{k} = f(Re_L, Pr).$$

The Reynolds numbers for the blades are

$$Re_{L,1} = (V_1 L_1 / \nu_1) = 15 / \nu_1 \quad Re_{L,2} = (V_2 L_2 / \nu_2) = 15 / \nu_2$$

Same Re for both: $Re_{L,1} = Re_{L,2}$.

With constant properties, $Pr_1 = Pr_2$

Therefore,

$$\overline{Nu}_2 = \overline{Nu}_1$$

$$(\bar{h}_2 L_2 / k_2) = (\bar{h}_1 L_1 / k_1)$$

$$\bar{h}_2 = \frac{L_1}{L_2} \bar{h}_1 = \frac{L_1}{L_2} \frac{q_1}{A_1 (T_{s,1} - T_\infty)}$$

The heat rate for the *second blade* is then

$$q_2 = \bar{h}_2 A_2 (T_{s,2} - T_\infty) = \frac{L_1}{L_2} \frac{A_2}{A_1} \frac{(T_{s,2} - T_\infty)}{(T_{s,1} - T_\infty)} q_1$$

$$q_2 = \frac{T_{s,2} - T_\infty}{T_{s,1} - T_\infty} q_1 = \frac{(400 - 35)}{(300 - 35)} (1500 \text{ W})$$

$$q_2 = 2066 \text{ W}.$$

COMMENTS: (i) The variation in ν from Case 1 to Case 2 (due to different temperatures) would cause $Re_{L,2}$ to differ from $Re_{L,1}$. However, for air and the prescribed temperatures, this non-constant property effect is small.

(ii) If the Reynolds numbers were not equal ($Re_{L,1} \neq Re_{L,2}$), knowledge of the specific form of $f(Re_L, Pr)$ would be needed to determine h_2 .