

Department of Mechanical Engineering
Indian Institute of Technology New Delhi
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ME709 HEAT EXCHANGERS

MAJOR EXAMINATION

Note: Open (Your own) hand written notes Examination. Property tables & tutorial sheets are allowed.

Time : 2 HOURS

Max. Marks: 60

Problem 1 :

Prove that a High Pressure Closed Feed water heater is a combination of three shell and tube heat exchangers.

A power plant turbine is working with an inlet steam flow rate of 1500 tons/hr. First bleed steam is taken at a pressure of 5 MPa and 320 °C. The mass flow rate of bleed steam is 10% of the inlet steam flow rate. The condensed bleed water leaves the HP Closed Feed Water Heater at a temperature of 250°C. The feed water enters HP CFWH at a temperature of 235 °C. Compute temperatures of steam and feed water across desuperheater, condenser and drain-cooler. Also compute following parameters of these three exchangers.

- (a) LMTD of each part.
- (a) Capacities of each part.
- (a) Approximate sizes (in percentage of heat exchanger area) of each part.

Finally design the de-superheater only (neglect the thermal resistance of tube material). Following steam properties are recommended.

Specific heat of steam : 3.32 kJ/kgK.

Kinematic viscosity of steam : $56.6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$.

Thermal diffusivity : 0.0422 W/m.K.

20 marks

Problem 2 :

Define NTU for an air water system and Derive an expression for NTU in terms of enthalpy difference.

15 marks

Problem 3 :

Hot exhaust gas (2200 tons/hour) is flowing past a superheater bundle at a temperature of 1000 K. The steam is flowing through the tube bundle at a flow rate of 1450 tons/hour. The pressure and inlet temperature of the steam are 18 MPa and 475 °C. The total capacity of the super heater is 120 MW. It is estimated that the overall heat transfer coefficient of the super heater is 125 W/m²K. Average properties of gas and steam are given below:

Specific heat of exhaust gas : 1.17 kJ/kgK.

Specific heat of steam : 3.65 kJ/kgK.

Calculate number of tubes and overall dimensions of superheater.

15 marks

Problem 4 :

Derive an expression for variation of temperature of fluid flowing through a tube in a multi-pass heat exchanger.

10 marks