



Faculty of Engineering

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ME3CO32 Heat & Mass Transfer

Programme	: B.Tech.	Branch/Specialisation	: ME
Duration	: 3 hours	Maximum Marks	: 60

Note: All questions are compulsory. Internal choices, if any, are indicated. Assume suitable data if necessary.

Notations and symbols have their usual meaning.

Answer any two Questions from section 6

Section 1 (Answer all question(s))

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Q1. Up to the critical radius of insulation-

1 1 1

Rubric	Marks
Added insulation will increase heat loss	1

- ☒ Added insulation will increase heat loss
 ☐ Added insulation will decrease heat loss
☐ Convective heat loss will be less than conductive heat loss
 ☐ The heat flux will decrease

Q2. The unit of thermal diffusivity is-

1 1 1

Rubric	Marks
m ² /hr	1

- ☒ m²/hr
 ☐ m²/hr °C
☐ kcal/m² hr
 ☐ kcal/m. hr °C

Q3. The rate of energy transferred by convection to that by conduction is called-

1 2 1

Rubric	Marks
Nusselt number	1

- ☐ Stanton number
 ☒ Nusselt number
☐ Biot number
 ☐ Peclet number

Q4. The transfer of heat by molecular collision is smallest in-

1 2 1

Rubric	Marks
Solids	1

- ☒ Solids
 ☐ Liquids
☐ Gases
 ☐ None of these

Q5. The value of Prandtl number for air is about-

1 3 1

Rubric	Marks
0.7	1

- ☐ 0.1
 ☐ 0.3
☒ 0.7
 ☐ 1.7

Q6. The extended surface used for the enhancement of heat dissipation is-

1 3 1

Rubric	Marks
Boilers and turbines	1

- ☐ Convective coefficient
 ☐ Fourier number
☒ Fin
 ☐ No finned surface

Q7. The non-dimensional parameter known as Stanton number is used in which of the following heat transfer?

1 4 1

Rubric	Marks
Forced convection heat transfer	1

- ☐ Natural convection heat transfer
 ☐ Unsteady state heat transfer
☐ Condensation heat transfer
 ☒ Forced convection heat transfer

Q8. The value of transmissivity may vary from-

1 4 1

Rubric	Marks
Increases if a higher viscosity fluid is used	1

- ☒ 0-1
 ☐ 1-2
☐ 2-3
 ☐ 3-4

Q9. Which among the following is always true for mass transfer to occur?

1 5 1

Rubric	Marks
Difference in concentration	1

- ☒ Difference in concentration
 ☐ Difference in Pressure
☐ Difference in temperature
 ☐ Difference in chemical potential

Q10. The counterflow heat exchanger has-

1 5 1

Rubric	Marks
more efficiency then parallel flow	1

- ☒ more efficiency then parallel flow
 ☐ less efficiency then parallel flow
☐ equal efficiency as parallel flow
 ☐ none of the above

Section 2 (Answer all question(s))

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4 1 2

Q11. Enumerate the basic laws which govern the heat transfer.

Rubric	Marks
statement	2
formulation and application	2

Q12. (a) Explain the critical thickness of insulation with diagram.

6 1 2

Rubric	Marks
Explanation	3
Diagram	3

(OR)

(b) Explain conduction in composite walls with diagram.

Rubric	Marks
Conduction in wall	3
Diagram	3

Section 3 (Answer all question(s))

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Q13. Explain the difference between free and forced convection with diagrams.

4 3 3

Rubric	Marks
Free convection explanation	2
Forced convection explanation with diagram	2

Q14. (a) Explain the Thermal Boundary Layer with a diagram.

6 2 2

Rubric	Marks
Explanation	3
Diagram	3

(OR)

(b) Discuss Laminar and Turbulent flow over a flat plate.

Rubric	Marks
Laminar flow	3
Turbulent flow	3

Section 4 (Answer all question(s))

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Q15. Explain types of fins with diagram.

4 3 3

Rubric	Marks
Fins explanation	2
Types	2

Q16. (a) Explain fins effectiveness with expression and diagram.

6 3 2

Rubric	Marks
Fins effectiveness	3
Diagram	3

(OR)

(b) Explain fins efficiency with applications.

Rubric	Marks
Fins efficiency	3
Applications	3

Section 5 (Answer all question(s))

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Q17. Explain the difference between parallel and counterflow heat exchangers.

4 4 2

Rubric	Marks
Parallel flow	2
Counter flow	2

Q18. (a) Explain NTU and LMTD method of heat exchanger analysis.

6 4 2

Rubric	Marks
NTU	3
LMTD	3

(OR)

(b) Explain Fick's Law with diagram.

Rubric	Marks
Explanation	3
Diagram	3

Section 6 (Answer any 2 question(s))

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Q19. Explain radiation laws with expression and diagram.

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Rubric	Marks
Radiation law	2
Expression and diagram	3

Q20. Explain Planck's law with a diagram.

5 5 2

Rubric	Marks
Definition	3
Diagram	2

Q21. Explain differences between a grey and black body.

5 5 2

Rubric	Marks
Explanation	2
Differences	3
