

Time: 40 minutes

Full Marks: 45

Multiple-choice questions may have more than one correct answer

1. The assumptions of LMTD concept are –

  - (a) Constant specific heat of both fluids
  - (b) Constant pressure drop of both fluids
  - (c) Constant overall heat transfer coefficient
  - (d) No heat loss to the surroundings.

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- X a) Toluene at  $70^{\circ}\text{C}$  is cooled to  $55^{\circ}\text{C}$  using water at  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$  where the maximum permissible rise in temperature for the cooling water is  $15^{\circ}\text{C}$
- b) Toluene liquid at  $80^{\circ}\text{C}$  is vapourised by saturated steam at  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$
- c) Toluene at  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$  is heated to  $70^{\circ}\text{C}$  using saturated steam at  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$
- d) Water at  $30^{\circ}\text{C}$  is heated to  $70^{\circ}\text{C}$  using saturated steam at  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$

Answer: b), c), d)

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- a) increase heat transfer coefficient of the outer fluid
- b) increase heat transfer coefficient of the inner fluid
- c) increase pressure drop in the annulus.
- d) increase pressure drop in the inner pipe.

$$Q = U \max \frac{1}{h_1} A \Delta T_{MTD}$$

Ans- a),c)

4. When and why are fins adopted?

(1+3) (4 minutes)

When  $h_1 \ll h_2$  to ensure  $h_1 A_1 \approx h_2 A_2$ . This ensures maximum  $U$  and minimum  $A$ .

5. While heating kerosene using flue gas, identify the most suitable configuration and flow arrangement of the double pipe heat exchanger. (Justify your answer)(3)(2 minutes)

- a) Gas on the annular side with fins on the inner side of the inner tube
- b) Gas on the annular side with fins on the outer side of the inner tube
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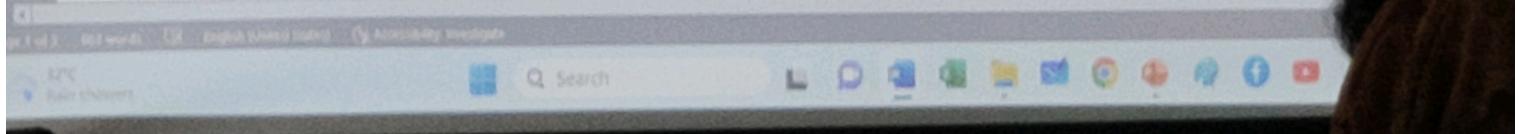
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(3) 2 mins

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Outer fluid - water

3- for selecting inner fluid and 2 for calculating  $Re_i$

Rei

$$\frac{Re_0}{D_L - D_I} = \frac{D_{eq}}{\mu}$$

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$$Re_o = 13352.68$$

$$N_{hi} = 71.796, \quad h_i = 1256.43 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K}$$

$$N_{ho} = 87.3, \quad \underline{h_o} = 2839.85 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K}$$

$$U = 871 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K}$$

$$LMTD = 28.85^\circ\text{C}$$

$$A = 1170 \text{ m}^2$$

$$N = 388$$

$$Q = \sqrt{A} \cdot LMTD$$