

85-Q2: Surface Characteristics and Cooling.

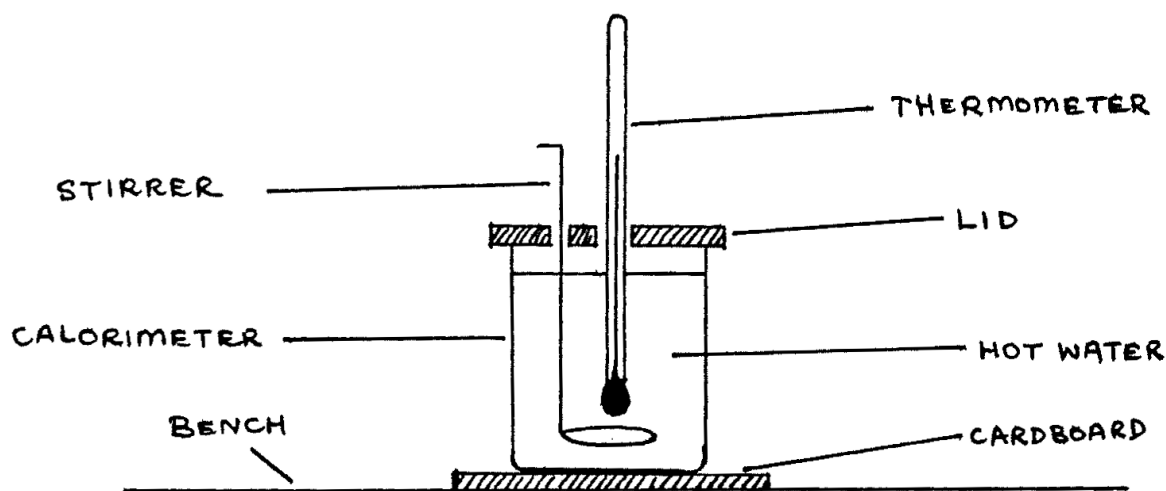
Time $1\frac{1}{2}$ hr.

Apparatus

Copper calorimeter with lid; thermometer (0–100°C); stirrer; cardboard base; stopclock; kerosene or diesel burner; stand and clamp; graduated beaker; hot water; graph paper.

The aim of this experiment is to investigate how the nature of the surface of a calorimeter affects the rate of loss of heat. Proceed as follows:

- You are provided with a beaker which is nearly full of hot water and a polished copper calorimeter. Nearly fill the calorimeter with the hot water, whose temperature should initially be above 80°C, and set it up on the bench as illustrated in the figure below.



- Stir the hot water in the calorimeter constantly and record the temperature of the water after every 1.0 minute with the aid of a stop clock. Continue recording temperature θ in this way for 15 minutes and tabulate θ and time t . (6 Marks)

- c. Empty the water in the calorimeter into a measuring cylinder and record the volume V . Blacken the external surface of the calorimeter using smoke from the kerosene or diesel burner provided. Now pour volume V of hot water, whose temperature should initially be above 80°C , into the blackened calorimeter and again set it up on the bench as illustrated in the figure above.
- d. Repeat the procedure outlined in (b) above. (6 marks)
- e. Using the same axes, plot a cooling curve for the polished calorimeter together with its contents and another cooling curve for the blackened calorimeter together with its contents. (18 marks)
- f. If R_p represents the rate at which the polished calorimeter and contents lose heat and R_b represents the rate at which the blackened calorimeter and contents lose heat, determine the ratio $\frac{R_p}{R_b}$ at:
 - i. 78°C
 - ii. 70°C

Comment on your results.
(20 marks)