

## Heat Transfer Ch En 3453 | Homework 3 | Due Friday Sept. 17 at 5 PM

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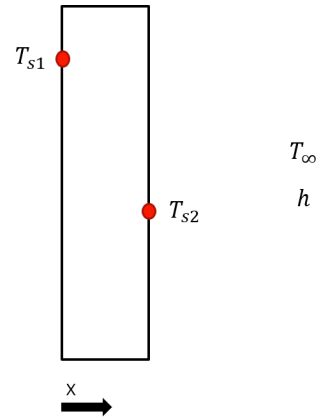
Note: Approximate solutions are the actual solution, but rounded to only 1 significant figure.

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#### Problem 1

Solve the heat equation for the temperature profile,  $T(x)$ , with a constant surface temperature boundary condition on the left side and a convection boundary condition on the right side. Assume that  $h$ ,  $T_{s2}$ ,  $T_\infty$ ,  $k$ , and  $L$  (the wall thickness) are known and constant. Assume that the system is at steady state and that there is no generation.

- What is the temperature profile,  $T(x)$ , in terms of the variables:  $h$ ,  $T_{s2}$ ,  $T_\infty$ ,  $k$ , and  $L$ ?
- If  $h=95 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$ ,  $T_{s2} = 50^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $T_\infty = 20^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $k=25 \text{ W/mK}$ , and  $L = 0.2 \text{ m}$ , what is the left surface temperature  $T_{s1}$ ?
- What is the flux ( $q''_x$ ) through the system?

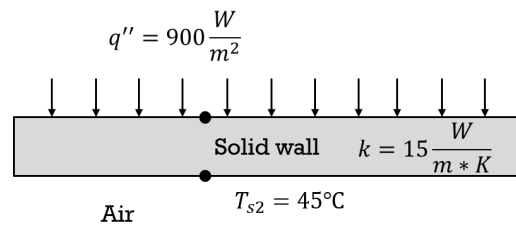


Approximate solutions: (b)  $70^\circ\text{C}$ , (c)  $3000 \text{ W/m}^2$

#### Problem 2

Solve the heat equation for the temperature profile,  $T(z)$ , with a constant flux boundary condition on the top and a constant temperature boundary condition on the bottom. Assume that the system is at steady state and there is no generation within the solid.

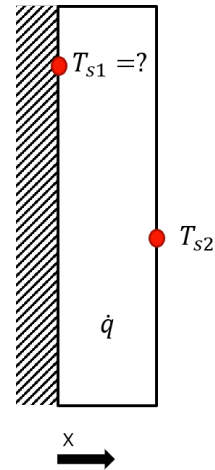
- What is the temperature profile,  $T(z)$ , in terms of the variables provided (use  $L$  for the thickness)?
- If  $L = 0.15 \text{ m}$ , what is the surface temperature at the top,  $T_{s1}$  (i.e.,  $T(z=0)$ ).
- What is the flux ( $q''_z$ ) at  $z=0.10 \text{ m}$ .



Approximate solutions: (b)  $50^\circ\text{C}$ , (c)  $1000 \text{ W/m}^2$ .

### Problem 3

Solve the heat equation for the temperature profile,  $T(x)$ , with a zero flux (i.e., well insulated) boundary condition on the left side and a constant surface temperature boundary condition on the right side when there is constant volumetric generation ( $\dot{q}$ ) in the solid. Assume that  $\dot{q}$ ,  $T_{s2}$ ,  $k$ , and  $L$  (the wall thickness) are known and constant. Assume that the system is at steady state.

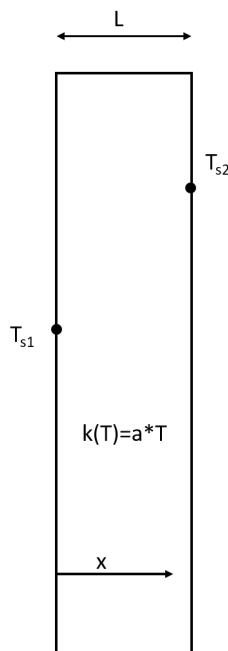


- What is the temperature profile,  $T(x)$ , in terms of the variables provided?
- If  $T_{s2} = 35^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $k = 15 \text{ W/mK}$ ,  $\dot{q} = 50,000 \text{ W/m}^3$ , and  $L = 0.15 \text{ m}$ , what is the interface temperature  $T_{s1}$ ?
- What is the flux,  $q''_x(x)$ , through the system (as an equation)?
- Calculate the flux exiting the system using two different methods: (1) Fourier's law and (2) an energy balance on the entire solid. How do these two values compare to each other?

Approximate solutions: (b)  $70^\circ\text{C}$ , (d)  $8000 \text{ W/m}^2$  and  $8000 \text{ W/m}^2$

### Problem 4

A plane wall of thickness  $L$  has a thermal conductivity that varies with temperature according to the equation  $k = a \cdot T$ , where  $T$  is the temperature of the wall. Heat only flows in the  $x$ -direction. The system is at steady state.



- Starting with a differential energy balance (a.k.a., a "shell balance"), derive the 2<sup>nd</sup> order differential equation that can be solved for the temperature profile.
- With the plane wall, no generation, and steady-state assumptions, simplify the Heat Equation down to the 2<sup>nd</sup> order differential equation that can be solved for the temperature profile.

Compare the equations from (a) and (b). They should be the same.

- Derive an equation describing the steady-state wall temperature at any point ( $x$ ), when given the wall surface temperatures  $T_{s1}$  and  $T_{s2}$ .

Compare the equations from (a) and (b). They should be the same.

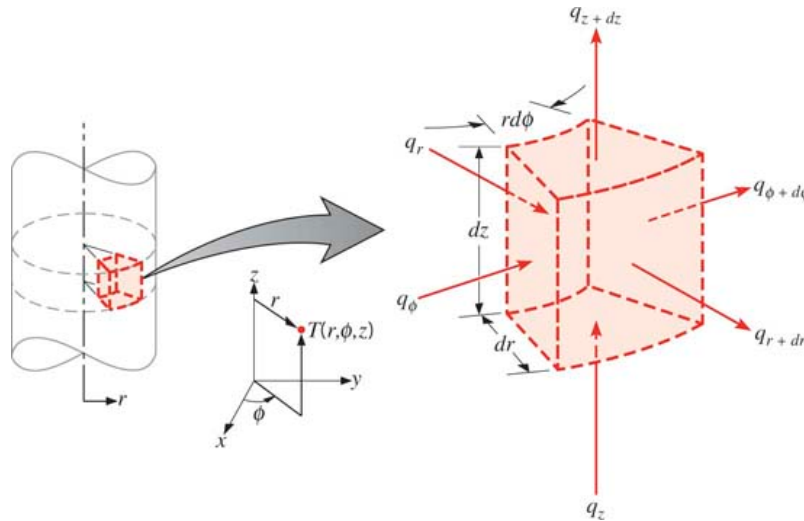
- If  $L = 10 \text{ cm}$ ,  $a = 0.01 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$ ,  $T_{s1} = 300 \text{ K}$  and  $T_{s2} = 600 \text{ K}$ , what is the temperature at  $x = 3 \text{ cm}$  (in K)?

Approximate answer for (d):  $400 \text{ K}$

### Problem 5

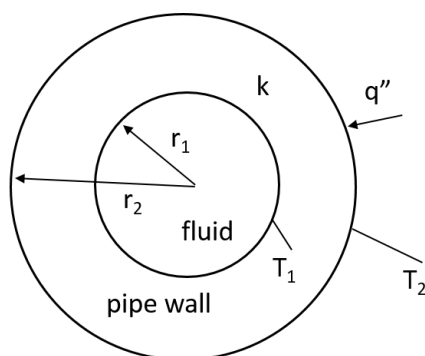
Derive the heat diffusion equation for cylindrical coordinates beginning with the differential control volume shown in the figure.

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( kr \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \left( k \frac{\partial T}{\partial \phi} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( k \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) + \dot{q} = \rho c_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$



### Problem 6

In order to prevent freezing of the fluid it carries, a buried pipe is heated from the outside with a constant heat flux of  $q''$  that enters the outside wall of the pipe (at  $r = r_2$ ). The inner wall of the pipe (at  $r = r_1$ ) is kept at a constant temperature  $T_1$ . The system is at steady state. A cross-section of the pipe is shown below.

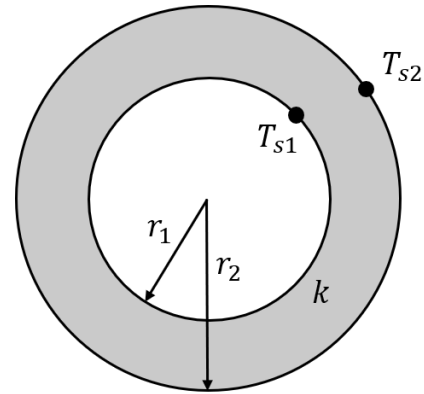


- Derive an equation expressing the temperature profile between  $r_1$  and  $r_2$ ,  $T(r)$ , in terms of the variables given above.
- If  $r_1 = 5$  cm,  $r_2 = 10$  cm,  $k = 1$  W/m $\cdot$ K,  $q'' = 1200$  W/m $^2$ , and  $T_1 = 450$  K, what is  $T_2$  (in K)?

Approximate answer for (b): 500 K

### Problem 7

A spherical wall contains a hot fluid, which creates an elevated temperature at its inner wall ( $T_{s1}$  located at  $r = r_1$ ). The outer wall loses heat to the ambient, causing its surface temperature ( $T_{s2}$  located at  $r = r_2$ ) to be cooler than that of the inner wall. Assuming temperature variation only in the  $r$ -direction and with the constant surface temperatures shown as boundary conditions, solve for the steady-state temperature profile,  $T(r)$ .



### Problem 8

A nuclear reactor fuel element consists of a solid cylindrical pin of radius  $r_1$  and thermal conductivity  $k_f$ . The fuel pin is in good contact with a cladding material of outer radius  $r_2$  and thermal conductivity  $k_c$ . Consider steady-state conditions for which uniform heat generation occurs within the fuel at a volumetric rate  $\dot{q}$  and the outer surface of the cladding is exposed to a coolant that is characterized by a temperature  $T_\infty$  and a convection coefficient  $h$ .

- Obtain equations for the temperature distributions  $T_f(r)$  and  $T_c(r)$  in the fuel and cladding, respectively. Express your results exclusively in terms of the foregoing variables.
- Consider a uranium oxide fuel pin for which  $k_f = 2 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$  and  $r_1 = 6 \text{ mm}$  and cladding for which  $k_c = 25 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$  and  $r_2 = 9 \text{ mm}$ . If  $\dot{q} = 2 \times 10^8 \text{ W/m}^3$ ,  $h = 2000 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$ , and  $T_\infty = 300 \text{ K}$ , what is the maximum temperature in the fuel element?

Approximate answer: (b) 1500 K