

Homework Set 2

Due date: February 5, 2016 after class

Problem 1: Consider a plane wall with a thickness of $l_w = 0.5\text{m}$ and a heat sink that is a function of temperature given as: $\dot{q} = -0.8T \text{ W/m}^3$, where T is in K. The temperature and heat flux at the inlet to the wall ($x = 0$) are 500 K and 0.4 kW/m^2 , respectively, and the thermal conductivity is $k_w = 20 \text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K}$. At the exit of the wall, convective heat exchange occurs with the surrounding that are maintained at $T_\infty = 250 \text{ K}$. Assuming steady, one-dimensional conduction in the wall, constant properties, and negligible radiative heat transfer to the environment, determine the following:

- a) The temperature at the exit of the wall ($x = L$) in $^\circ\text{C}$.

$$k \frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} + \dot{q}_{\text{gen}} = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} - \frac{0.8 \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-3}}{20 \text{ W/m} \cdot \text{K}} T = 0 = \frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} - \frac{0.8 \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-3}}{20 \text{ W/m} \cdot \text{K}} T = 0$$

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} - 0.04T = 0$$

$$T = C_1 \exp(-0.2x) + C_2 \exp(0.2x)$$

Boundary conditions:

$$\left. \frac{dT}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = -\frac{q_w''}{k} = -20 \text{ K/m} \text{ and } T(0) = 500 \text{ K}$$

$$500 = C_1 + C_2$$

$$100 = C_1 - C_2$$

$$C_1 = 300\text{K} \text{ and } C_2 = 200\text{K}$$

$$T = 300\exp(-0.2x) + 200\exp(0.2x) \text{ K}$$

$$T(0.5) = 300\exp(-0.2 \cdot 0.5) + 200\exp(0.2 \cdot 0.5) \text{ K} = 492.5\text{K} \text{ or } 219.4^\circ\text{C}$$

OR due to repeating roots

$$T = C_1' \sinh(0.2x) + C_2' \cosh(0.2x)$$

$$T(x=0) = C_1' \sinh(0) + C_2' \cosh(0) = 500 \text{ K} \Rightarrow C_2' = 500 \text{ K}$$

$$\left. \frac{dT}{dx} \right|_{x=0} = -\frac{400 \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2}}{20 \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-1} \cdot \text{K}^{-1}} = -20 \text{ K/m} = 0.2C_1' \cosh(0) + 0.2 \sinh(0) \Rightarrow C_1' = -100$$

$$T(x) = -100 \sinh(0.2x) + 500 \cosh(0.2x)$$

$$T(x) = -100 \sinh(0.2 \times 0.5) + 500 \cosh(0.2 \times 0.5) = 492.5 \text{ K or } 219.4^\circ\text{C}$$

b) The convective heat transfer coefficient at the exit to the surroundings in W/m²·K.

$$q''|_{x=0.5\text{m}} = -k \frac{dT}{dx} \Big|_{x=0.5\text{m}} = -20 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m} \cdot \text{K}} \left[-0.2 \cdot 300 \exp(-0.2 \cdot 0.5) + 0.2 \cdot 200 \exp(0.2 \cdot 0.5) \right]$$

$$q''|_{x=0.5\text{m}} = 201.7 \text{ W} \cdot \text{m}^{-2}$$

$$h = \frac{q''_w}{T(0.5) - T_\infty} = 0.8316 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}}$$

Problem 2: Consider a cylindrical pipe with steam running through it at a temperature of $T_s = 250^\circ\text{C}$ and a convective heat transfer coefficient of $h = 100 \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot \text{K}$. The inner and outer diameters of the pipe are 0.1m and 0.11 m, respectively. The pipe is covered with 0.05 m thick fiberglass pipe insulation to prevent heat loss, and there is a contact resistance between the insulation and the pipe of $R'' = 0.002 \text{ m}^2 \cdot \text{K/W}$. The temperature of the air on the outside of the insulation is $T_\infty = 30^\circ\text{C}$ and the combined heat transfer coefficient is $h = 25 \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot \text{K}$. The thermal conductivities of the pipe and insulation are $k_{\text{pipe}} = 60.5 \text{ W/m} \cdot \text{K}$ and $k_{\text{ins}} = 0.038 \text{ W/m} \cdot \text{K}$, respectively. Assuming steady, radial conduction, determine the following:

(a) The temperature drop between the pipe and insulation due to contact resistance.

$$\frac{UA}{L} = \left[(2\pi h_i r_i)^{-1} + \left(\frac{\ln(r_o / r_i)}{2\pi k_{\text{pipe}}} \right) + \frac{R''_c}{2\pi r_o} + \left(\frac{\ln((r_o + d) / r_o)}{2\pi k_{\text{ins}}} \right) + (2\pi h_o (r_o + d))^{-1} \right]^{-1} = 0.360 \text{ W/m} \cdot \text{K}$$

$$q' = \frac{UA}{L} [T_{i,\infty} - T_{o,\infty}] = 79.19 \text{ W/m}$$

$$\Delta T = \frac{R''_c q'}{2\pi r_o} = 0.4583 \text{ K}$$

(b) The surface temperature on the inner surface of the pipe in $^\circ\text{C}$.

$$q' = 2\pi r_i h_i [T_{i,\infty} - T_1] \Rightarrow T_1 = T_{i,\infty} - \frac{q'}{2\pi r_i h_i} = 247.5^\circ\text{C}$$