Fluid Mechanics and Rate Processes: Tutorial 12

P1. Stainless steel ball bearings (ρ =8085 kg/m³, k =15.1 W/m · °C, C_p = 0.480 kJ/kg · °C, and α =3.91x10⁻⁶ m²/s) having a diameter of 1.2 cm are to be quenched in water. The balls leave the oven at a uniform temperature of 900°C and are exposed to air at 30°C for a while before they are dropped into the water. If the temperature of the balls is not to fall below 850°C prior to quenching and the heat transfer coefficient in the air is 125 W/m² · °C, determine how long they can stand in the air before being dropped into the water.

