

Tutorial Problem

Q. The temp. of a gas is to be measured by a thermocouple whose junction can be approximated as a 1-mm dia sphere.

The properties of junction are $k = 35 \text{ W/m.K}$.

$\rho = 8500 \text{ kg/m}^3$, $c_p = 320 \text{ J/kg.K}$, and the

convection heat transfer coeff. between the junction and gas is $h = 210 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$.

Determine how long will it take for the thermocouple to read 99% of the

initial temp. diff.

$$L_c = \frac{V}{A} = \frac{\frac{1}{6}\pi D^3}{\frac{1}{2}\pi D} = \frac{1}{3}D = 1.67 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}$$

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