

# Unsteady-State Heat Conduction

Transient Heat Conduction

# Important Equations

## Lumped Heat Capacity (LHC) Model when $Bi < 0.1$

General Equation for Temperature

$$\frac{\theta}{\theta_i} = \frac{T - T_\infty}{T_i - T_\infty} = \exp \left[ -\frac{hA}{\rho CV} t \right]$$

but note

$$\frac{\theta}{\theta_i} = \exp \left[ -\frac{t}{\tau} \right] \quad \text{where } \tau, \tau = \frac{\rho CV}{hA}$$

General Equation for Heat Transfer

$$Q = (\rho CV) \theta_i \left( 1 - \exp \left[ -\frac{t}{\tau} \right] \right)$$

## Biot Number, Bi and Consideration for LHC

Biot Number Equation and Consideration for LHC

$$Bi = \frac{hL_c}{k} < 0.1$$

where:  $L_c$  = Characteristic Length =  $\frac{V}{A}$

Characteristic Length (for Common Geometries)

Plane Wall

$$L_c = L$$

Cylinder

$$L_c = \frac{r_o}{2}$$

Sphere

$$L_c = \frac{r_o}{3}$$

Fourier Number

$$Fo = \frac{\alpha t}{L^2}$$

# Important Equations

note:

$$Q_o = \rho c V (T_i - T_\infty)$$

## One-Term Approximation Model when $Bi > 0.1$

Plane Wall

$$\theta^* = C_1 \exp(-\zeta_1^2 Fo) \cos(\zeta_1 x^*)$$

or

$$\theta^* = \theta_o^* \cos(\zeta_1 x^*)$$

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$$\frac{Q}{Q_o} = 1 - \frac{\sin \zeta_1}{\zeta_1} \theta_o^*$$

Infinitely Long ( $L \gg D$ ) Cylinder

$$\theta^* = C_1 \exp(-\zeta_1^2 Fo) J_0(\zeta_1 r^*)$$

or

$$\theta_o^* = C_1 \exp(-\zeta_1^2 Fo)$$

$$\theta^* = \theta_o^* J_0(\zeta_1 r^*)$$

$$\frac{Q}{Q_o} = 1 - \frac{2\theta_o^*}{\zeta_1} J_1(\zeta_1)$$

Sphere

$$\theta^* = C_1 \exp(-\zeta_1^2 Fo) \frac{1}{\zeta_1 r^*} \sin(\zeta_1 r^*)$$

or

$$\theta^* = \theta_o^* \frac{1}{\zeta_1 r^*} \sin(\zeta_1 r^*)$$

$$\theta_o^* = C_1 \exp(-\zeta_1^2 Fo)$$

$$\frac{Q}{Q_o} = 1 - \frac{3\theta_o^*}{\zeta_1^3} [\sin(\zeta_1) - \zeta_1 \cos(\zeta_1)]$$

The quantities  $J_1$  and  $J_0$  are Bessel functions of the first kind