

MAE 423 HEAT AND MASS TRANSFER  
EXAM 2 - SPRING 2013

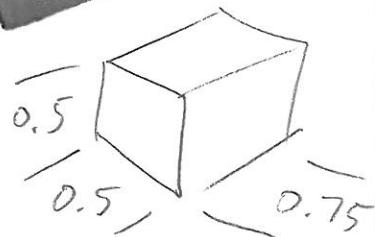
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You are allowed one sheet of notes.

1. A Styrofoam cooler has an internal size of  $0.5 \text{ m} \times 0.75 \text{ m} \times 0.5 \text{ m}$  and a wall thickness of 40 mm, with thermal conductivity  $k = 0.033 \text{ W/m K}$ . If the temperature inside the cooler is  $5^\circ \text{C}$  and the outside temperature is  $20^\circ \text{C}$ , what is the heat transfer rate?

$$\begin{aligned}
 S &= 4 \times \frac{0.5 \times 0.75}{0.04} + 2 \times \frac{0.5 \times 0.5}{0.04} \\
 &\quad + 4 \times 0.54 \times 0.75 + 8 \times 0.54 \times 0.5 \\
 &\quad + 8 \times 0.15 \times 0.04 \\
 &= 37.5 + 12.5 + 1.62 + 2.16 + 0.048 \\
 &= 53.83
 \end{aligned}$$



$$q = k S \Delta T = 0.033 \times 53.83 \times (20 - 5)$$

$$q = 26.6 \text{ W}$$

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2. A 1 m × 1 m flat plate at 60° C is exposed to a lateral flow of air at 20° C with a velocity of 5 m/s. What average convection heat transfer coefficient ( $\bar{h}_c$ ) should be used for the heat transfer calculation?

For dry air at  $t_f = \frac{T_s + T_\infty}{2} = \frac{60 + 20}{2} = 40^\circ C$

$$\nu = 17.6 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

$$k_f = 0.0265 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{mK}}$$

$$\Pr = 0.71 \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \rho = 1.092 \\ \mu = 19.123 \times 10^{-6} \end{array} \right.$$

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$$Re = \frac{U_\infty L}{\nu} = \frac{5 \times 1}{17.6 \times 10^{-6}} = 284000$$

For laminar flow  $Re_L < 500000$  &  $\Pr > 0.5$

$$\overline{Nu}_L = 0.664 Re_L^{0.5} \Pr^{0.33}$$

$$= 0.664 (284000)^{0.5} (0.71)^{0.33}$$

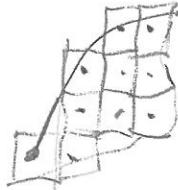
$$\overline{Nu}_L = 316.0$$

$$\bar{h}_c = \frac{\overline{Nu}_L k_f}{L} = \frac{316.0 \times 0.0265}{1}$$

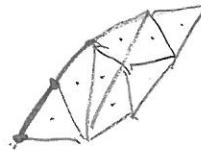
$$\boxed{\bar{h}_c = 8.38 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2\text{K}}}$$

3. Draw a picture to demonstrate the difference between the discretized control volumes used in the Finite Difference Method (as described in Chapter 3) and those used in the Finite Volume or Finite Element Method (as performed using Siemens NX for the homework problem).

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Finite  
Difference



Finite  
Volume

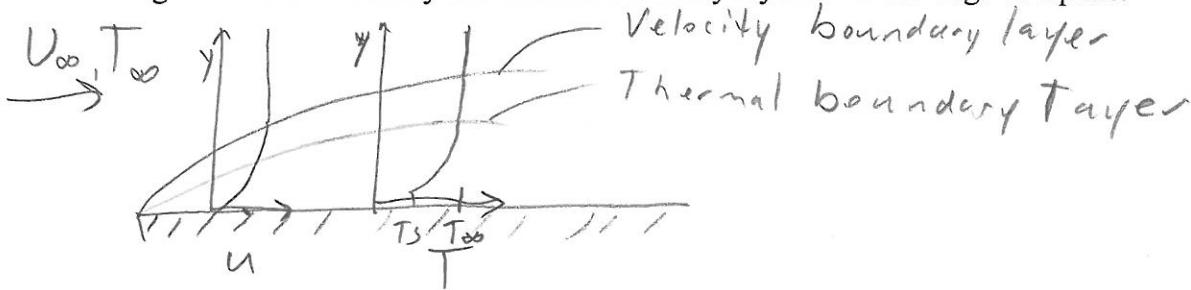
4. What is the primary means that an analyst has to control the accuracy of results in a numerical simulation of conductive heat transfer in a complex shape? I.e., what can be changed in a Finite Difference or Finite Volume model to make the results more accurate?

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- Make the mesh finer. Use more elements.
- Use smaller elements

5. Draw a diagram to show velocity and thermal boundary layers over the edge of a plate.

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6. Which two dimensionless parameters can be used to relate the solution of the force balance partial differential equation to the energy balance partial differential equation for convection heat transfer to a moving fluid?

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- Prandtl number
- Reynolds number

7. An aluminum heat sink for the CPU of a computer is made up of a  $12 \times 10$  array of pin fins, each having a  $2 \text{ mm} \times 3 \text{ mm}$  cross-section and length of  $25 \text{ mm}$  on a  $50 \text{ mm} \times 50 \text{ mm}$  base. If the thermal conductivity of the aluminum is  $k = 237 \text{ W/m K}$  and the average convection heat transfer coefficient is  $\bar{h}_c = 150 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K}$ , using the assumption of infinitely long fins, what percentage improvement is achieved in heat removal over simply exposing the surface of the  $30 \text{ mm} \times 30 \text{ mm}$  CPU? If  $100 \text{ W}$  of heat is generated by the CPU, how hot will it get in a  $20^\circ \text{C}$  environment?

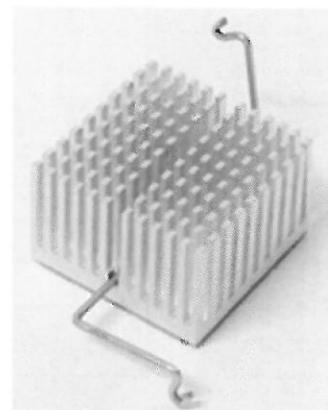


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$$q_{\text{fin}} = M_0 = \sqrt{\bar{h}_c P k A} \theta_s$$

$$= \sqrt{150 \times \frac{(2 \times 0.002 + 2 \times 0.003) \times 237 \times \frac{0.002 \times 0.003}{6 \times 10^{-6}} \theta_s}{0.01}} = 0.04618 \theta_s \text{ W}$$

$$q_{\text{total}} = 12 \times 10 \times 0.04618 \theta_s + 150 \times \frac{(0.05 \times 0.05 - 12 \times 10 \times 0.002 \times 0.003)}{6 \times 10^{-6}} \theta_s$$

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$$= (5.5416 + 0.267) \theta_s$$

$$= 5.8086 \theta_s$$

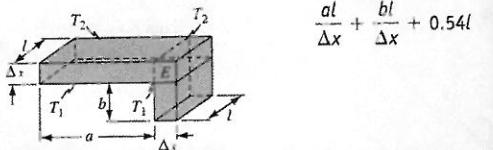
$$q_{\text{CPU}} = 150 \times \frac{0.03 \times 0.03}{9 \times 10^{-4}} \theta_s = 0.135 \theta_s$$

$$\text{Improvement} = \frac{5.8086 - 0.135}{0.135} \times 100\% = 4200\%$$

$$100 = 5.8086 (T_s - 20)$$

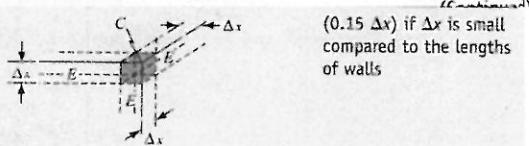
$$T_s = 37^\circ \text{C}$$

Conduction through two plane sections and the edge<sup>a</sup> section of two walls of thermal conductivity  $k$ , with inner- and outer-surface temperatures uniform



$$\frac{al}{\Delta x} + \frac{bl}{\Delta x} + 0.54l$$

Conduction through the corner section C of three<sup>b</sup> homogeneous walls of thermal conductivity  $k$ , inner- and outer-surface temperatures uniform



(0.15  $\Delta x$ ) if  $\Delta x$  is small compared to the lengths of walls

Temperature, $T$	Density, $\rho$ ( $\text{kg/m}^3$ )	Coefficient of Thermal Expansion, $\beta \times 10^3$ ( $1/\text{K}$ )	Specific Heat, $c_p$ ( $\text{J/kg K}$ )	Thermal Conductivity, $k$ ( $\text{W/m K}$ )	Absolute Thermal Diffusivity, $\alpha \times 10^6$ ( $\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ )	Kinematic Viscosity, $\nu \times 10^6$ ( $\text{m}^2/\text{s}$ )	Prandtl Number, $\text{Pr}$
$^{\circ}\text{F}$	$\times 6243 \times 10^{-2}$	$\times 0.5556 \times 2.388 \times 10^{-4}$	$\times 0.5777 \times 3.874 \times 10^4$	$\times 0.6720 \times 3.874 \times 10^4$	$\times 1.573 \times 10^{-2}$	$\times 1.573 \times 10^{-8}$	
$^{\circ}\text{C}$	$= (\text{lb}_m/\text{ft}^3)$	$= (1/R) = (\text{Btu}/\text{lb}_m \text{ } ^{\circ}\text{F})$	$= (\text{Btu}/\text{ft} \text{ } ^{\circ}\text{F})$	$= (\text{W}/\text{m K})$	$= (\text{ft}^2/\text{h})$	$= (\text{ft}^2/\text{h})$	
32	273	0	1.252	3.66	1011	0.0237	19.2
68	293	20	1.164	3.41	1012	0.0251	22.0
104	313	40	1.092	3.19	1014	0.0265	24.8
140	333	60	1.025	3.00	1017	0.0279	27.6
176	353	80	0.968	2.83	1019	0.0293	30.6
212	373	100	0.916	2.68	1022	0.0307	33.6
392	473	200	0.723	2.11	1035	0.0370	49.7
572	573	300	0.596	1.75	1047	0.0429	68.9
752	673	400	0.508	1.49	1059	0.0485	89.4
932	773	500	0.442	1.29	1076	0.0540	113.2
1832	1273	1000	0.268	0.79	1139	0.0762	240

Source: K. Raznjević, *Handbook of Thermodynamic Tables and Charts*, McGraw-Hill, New York, 1976.