HEAT TRANSFER

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Problem 1

If inner and outer faces of a concrete wall with thickness of 20 cm is kept at a temperature 20 °C and -5 C, respectively, and the thermal conductivity of the concrete is 1.2 W/m.K. Determine the heat loss through a wall 10 m long and 3 m high.



- ▶ 10 m long, 3 m high, and 0.2 m thick concrete wall.
- > Thermal conductivity of the concrete (k) = 1.2 W/m.K
- ➤ Temperature of the inner surface $(T_i) = 20$ °C
- > Temperature of the outer surface $(T_o) = -5 \degree C$
- One dimensional heat flow
- > The system has reached steady state.



$$q = \frac{AK}{L} (\Delta T)$$
$$q = \frac{(10 \text{ m})(3 \text{ m})(1.2 \text{ W/(m K)})}{0.2 \text{ m}} (20^{\circ}\text{C} - (-5^{\circ}\text{C}))$$



Problem 2

A wall with 7.5 cm thickness (shown below) generates heat at the rate of 105 W/m³. One side of the wall is insulated, and the other side is exposed to an environment at 90°C. The convective heat transfer coefficient between the wall and the environment is 500 W/m².K. Under one-dimensional-steady state conditions, and if the thermal conductivity of the wall is 12 W/m.K, calculate the maximum temperature in the wall.



- Plane wall with internal heat generation
- \blacktriangleright Thickness (*L*) = 0.075 m
- ▶ Internal heat generation rate (q_G) = 105 W/m3
- One side is insulated
- Ambient temperature on the other side $(T) = 90 \text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$
- > Convective heat transfer coefficient (h_c) = 500 W/(m2 K)
- ➤ Thermal conductivity (k) = 12 W/m.K.
- \succ The heat loss through the insulation is negligible.
- > The system has reached steady state.
- > One dimensional conduction through the wall.



Problem 2

The one dimensional conduction equation:

$$k \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \dot{q}_G = \rho c \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$$

For steady state, $\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = 0$ therefore

$$k \frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} + \dot{q}_G = 0$$
$$\frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} = -\frac{\dot{q}_G}{k}$$

To solve this equation, two boundary conditions are needed:

- 1. No energy loss through the insulator.
- 2. Convection at the other surface

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1. No energy loss through the insulator.



2. Convection at the other surface



Problem 2

Integrating again

$$T = -\frac{\dot{q}_G}{2k} x^2 + C_2$$

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2. Convection at the other surface

$$T = -\frac{q_G}{2k} x^2 + C_2$$

$$-k \frac{dT}{dx} = h_c (T - T_\infty)$$
 at $x = L$

$$-k\left(\frac{\dot{q}_G L}{k}\right) = h_c \left(-\frac{\dot{q}_G L^2}{2k} + C_2 - T_{\infty}\right) \Longrightarrow C_2 = \dot{q}_G L \left(\frac{1}{h_c} + \frac{L}{2k}\right) + T_{\infty}$$

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Substituting this into the expression for T yields the temperature distribution in the wall:

$$T(x) = \frac{\dot{q}_G}{2k} x^2 + \dot{q}_G L \left(\frac{1}{\overline{h_c}} + \frac{L}{2k}\right) + T_\infty$$
$$T(x) = T_\infty + \frac{\dot{q}_G}{2k} \left(L^2 + \frac{2kL}{\overline{h_c}} - x^2\right)$$

The maximum temperature occurs at x = 0.

$$T_{\text{max}} = T_{\infty} + \frac{\dot{q}_G}{2k} \left(L^2 + \frac{2kL}{h_c} \right)$$
$$T_{\text{max}} = 90^{\circ}\text{C} + \frac{10^5 \text{ W/m}^3}{2[12\text{ W/(mK)}]} \left((0.075 \text{ m})^2 + \frac{2[12 \text{ W/(mK)}](0.075 \text{ m})}{500 \text{ W/(m}^2\text{K})} \right) = 128^{\circ}\text{C}$$

Problem 3

A composite wall (shown below) has uniform temperatures. If the thermal conductivities of the wall materials are: $k_A = 70$ W/m.K, $k_B = 60$ W/m.K, $k_C = 40$ W/m. K, and $k_D = 20$ W/m.K, determine the rate of heat transfer through this section of the wall and the temperatures at the interfaces. (Surfaces normal to heat transfer direction are isothermal).



- ➤ A section of a composite wall
- Thermal conductivities
- $\succ k_A = 70 \text{ W/m.K}$
- $\succ k_B = 60 \text{ W/m.K}$
- $\geq k_c = 40 \text{ W/m.K}$
- $\succ k_D = 20 \text{ W/m.K}$
- Surface temperatures
- ▶ Left side $(T_{As}) = 200 \text{ °C}$
- ▶ Right side $(T_{Ds}) = 50 \text{ °C}$
- One dimensional conduction
- > The system is in steady state
- > The contact resistances between the materials is negligible





Problem 3

The total thermal resistance is

$$R_{\text{total}} = R_A + \frac{R_B R_C}{R_B + R_C} + R_D$$
$$R_{\text{total}} = 0.0794 + \frac{(0.2315)(0.3472)}{0.2315 + 0.3472} + 0.5556 \text{ K/W}$$
$$R_{\text{total}} = 0.7738 \text{ K/W}$$

The total rate of heat transfer through the composite wall is given by

$$q = \frac{\Delta T}{R_{\text{total}}} = \frac{200^{\circ}\text{C} - 50^{\circ}\text{C}}{0.7738\,\text{K/W}} = 194\,\text{W}$$

Problem 3

The average temperature at the interface between material *A* and materials *B* and *C* (T_{ABC}) can be determined by considering the conduction through material *A* alone.

$$q_{ka} = \frac{T_{As} - T_{ABC}}{R_A} = q$$

 $T_{ABC} = T_{As} - q R_A = 200^{\circ}\text{C} - (194 \text{ W}) (0.0794 \text{ K/W}) = 185^{\circ}\text{C}$



Problem 3

The average temperature at the interface between material D and materials B and C (T_{BCD}) can be determined by considering the conduction through material D alone

$$q_{kD} = \frac{T_{BCD} - T_{Ds}}{R_D} = q$$

 $T_{BCD} = T_{Ds} + q R_D = 50^{\circ}\text{C} + (194 \text{ W}) (0.5556 \text{ K/W}) = 158^{\circ}\text{C}$



Problem 4

A composite wall (shown below) has uniform temperatures. If the thermal conductivities of the wall materials are: $k_A = 70$ W/m.K, $k_B = 60$ W/m.K, $k_C = 40$ W/m. K, and $k_D = 20$ W/m.K, and contact resistance at each interface $R_i = 0.1$ K/W, determine the rate of heat transfer through this section of the wall and the temperatures at the interfaces. (Surfaces normal to heat transfer direction are isothermal).



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> Contact resistance at each interface $(R_i) = 0.1 \text{ K/W}$





Problem 4

(a) The total resistance for this system is

$$R_{\text{total}} = R_A + R_i + \frac{R_B R_C}{R_B + R_C} + R_i + R_D$$
$$R_{\text{total}} = 0.0794 + 0.1 + \frac{(0.2315)(0.3472)}{0.2315 + 0.3472} + 0.1 + 0.5556 \text{ K/W}$$
$$R_{\text{total}} = 0.9738 \text{ K/W}$$

The total rate of heat transfer through the composite wall is given by:

$$q = \frac{\Delta T}{R_{\text{total}}} = \frac{200^{\circ}\text{C} - 50^{\circ}\text{C}}{0.9738 \text{K/W}} = 154 \text{ W}$$

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(b) The average temperature on the A side of the interface between material A and material B and C (T_{1A}) can be determined by considering the conduction through material A alone.

$$q = \frac{T_{As} - T_{1A}}{R_A}$$

$$T_{1A} = T_{As} - q R_A = 200^{\circ}\text{C} - (154 \text{ W}) (0.0794 \text{ K/W}) = 188^{\circ}\text{C}$$

The average temperature on the *B* and *C* side of the interface between material *A* and materials *B* and *C* (T_{1BC}) can be determined by considering the heat transfer through the contact resistance.

$$q = \frac{T_{1A} - T_{1BC}}{R_i}$$

 $T_{1BC} = T_{1A} - q R_i = 188^{\circ}\text{C} - (154 \text{ W}) (0.1 \text{ K/W}) = 172^{\circ}\text{C}$

Problem 4

The average temperature on the *D* side of the interface between material *D* and materials *B* and *C* (T_{2D}) can be determined by considering the conduction through material *D* alone.

$$q = \frac{T_{2D} - T_{Ds}}{R_D}$$

$$T_{2D} = T_{Ds} + q R_D = 50^{\circ}\text{C} + (154 \text{ W}) (0.5556 \text{ K/W}) = 136^{\circ}\text{C}$$

The average temperature on the *B* and *C* side of the interface between material *D* and materials *B* and *C* (T_{2BC}) can be determined by considering the heat transfer through the contact resistance.

$$q = \frac{T_{2BC} - T_{2D}}{R_i}$$

 $T_{2BC} = T_{2D} + q R_i = 136^{\circ}\text{C} + (154 \text{ W}) (0.1 \text{ K/W}) = 151^{\circ}\text{C}$