

**CHAPTER 6**  
**HEAT TRANSFER IN CHANNEL FLOW**

**6.1 Introduction**

- Important factors:

(1) Laminar vs. turbulent flow

transition Reynolds number  $Re_{D_t}$  is

$$Re_{D_t} = \frac{\bar{u}D}{\nu} \approx 2300 \quad (6.1)$$

where

- $D$  = tube diameter
- $\bar{u}$  = mean velocity
- $\nu$  = kinematic viscosity

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(2) Entrance vs. fully developed region

Based on velocity and temperature distribution: two regions:

- Entrance region
- Fully developed region

(3) Surface boundary conditions

Two common thermal boundary conditions:

- Uniform surface temperature
- Uniform surface heat flux

(4) Objective

Depends on the thermal boundary condition:

- Uniform surface temperature. Determine: axial variation of
  - Mean fluid temperature
  - Heat transfer coefficient
  - Surface heat flux

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- Uniform surface flux. Determine axial variation of:
  - Mean fluid temperature
  - Heat transfer coefficient
  - Surface temperature

**6.2 Hydrodynamic and Thermal Regions: General Features**

- Uniform inlet velocity  $V_i$  and temperature  $T_i$
- Developing boundary velocity and thermal boundary layers
- Two regions:
  - Entrance region
  - Fully developed region

**6.2.1 Velocity Field**

(1) Entrance Region (Developing Flow,  $0 \leq x \leq L_h$ )

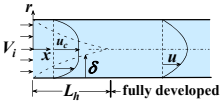


Fig. 6.1

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- Hydrodynamic entrance region
- Length  $L_h$ : **hydrodynamic entrance length**
- Streamlines are not parallel ( $v_r \neq 0$ )
- Core velocity  $u_c = u_c(x)$  (increasing or decreasing with  $x$ ?)
- Pressure  $p = p(x)$ , ( $dp/dx < 0$ )
- $\delta < D/2$

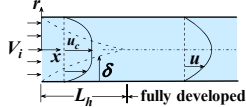


Fig. 6.1

**(2) Fully Developed Flow Region**

- $x > L_h$ : **fully developed flow**
- Streamlines are parallel ( $v_r = 0$ )
- For 2-D, constant  $\rho$ :  $\partial u / \partial x = 0$

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**6.2.2 Temperature Field**

- Entrance Region (Developing Temperature,  $0 \leq x \leq L_t$ ):**
- Thermal entrance region
- Length  $L_t$ : **Thermal entrance length**
- Core temperature  $T_c$  is uniform ( $T_c = T_i$ )
- $\delta_t < D/2$

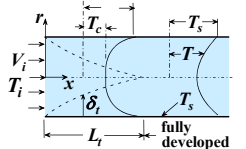


Fig. 6.2

**(2) Fully Developed Temperature Region**

- $x \geq L_t$  fully developed temperature
- $T = T(r, x)$  or  $\partial T / \partial x \neq 0$
- Dimensionless temperature  $\phi$  is invariant with  $x$  ( $\partial \phi / \partial x = 0$ )

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**6.3 Hydrodynamic and Thermal Entrance Lengths**

$L_h$  and  $L_t$  are determined by:

- Scale analysis
- Analytic or numerical methods

**6.3.1 Scale Analysis**

**(1) Hydrodynamic Entrance Length  $L_h$**

- Scaling of external flow:

$$\frac{\delta}{x} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{Re_x}} \quad (4.16)$$

Apply (4.16) to flow in tube: at  $x = L_h$ ,

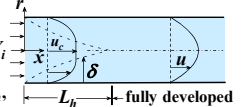
$$\frac{D}{L_h} \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{Re_{L_h}}} \quad (a)$$


Fig. 6.1

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Express  $Re_{L_h}$  in terms  $Re_D$

$$Re_{L_h} = \frac{\bar{u}L_h}{\nu} = \frac{\bar{u}D L_h}{\nu D} = Re_D \frac{L_h}{D}$$

(b) into (a)

$$\left(\frac{L_h/D}{Re_D}\right)^{1/2} \sim 1 \quad (6.2)$$

(2) Thermal Entrance Length  $L_t$

Scale for  $u$ :  $u \sim \bar{u}$  (all Prandtl numbers)  
 Scale of  $\delta_t$ : For external flow

$$\delta_t \sim L Re_c^{-1/2} Pr^{-1/2} \quad (4.24)$$

Apply (4.24) for flow in tube:  $L = L_t, \delta_t \sim D$

$$D \sim L_t Re_c^{-1/2} Pr^{-1/2} \quad (a)$$


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Express  $Re_{L_t}$  in terms  $Re_D$

$$Re_{L_t} = \frac{\bar{u}L_t}{\nu} = \frac{\bar{u}D L_t}{\nu D} = Re_D \frac{L_t}{D} \quad (b)$$

(b) into (a)

$$\left(\frac{L_t/D}{Re_D Pr}\right)^{1/2} \sim 1 \quad (6.3)$$

$$\frac{L_t}{L_h} \sim Pr \quad (6.4)$$

6.3.2 Analytic/Numerical Solutions: Laminar Flow

(1) Hydrodynamic Entrance Length  $L_h$

$$\frac{L_h}{D_e} = C_h Re_D \quad (6.5)$$


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$D_e$  = equivalent diameter

$$D_e = \frac{4A_f}{P}$$

$A_f$  = flow area  
 $P$  = perimeter  
 $C_h$  = coefficient Table 6.1

Compare with scaling:

$$\left(\frac{L_h/D}{Re_D}\right)^{1/2} \sim 1 \quad (6.2)$$

Rewrite (6.5)

$$\left(\frac{L_h/D}{Re_D}\right)^{1/2} = (C_h)^{1/2} \quad (a)$$

Geometry	$C_h$		$C_t$
	Uniform surface flux	Uniform surface temperature	
○	0.056	0.043	0.033
$\frac{a}{b}$ □ $a/b=1$	0.090	0.066	0.041
$\frac{a}{b}$ □ 2	0.085	0.057	0.049
$\frac{a}{b}$ □ 4	0.075	0.042	0.054
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Example: Rectangular channel,  $a/b = 2$ , Table 6.1 gives  $C_h = 0.085$   
 Substitute into (a)

$$\left(\frac{L_h/D}{Re_D}\right)^{1/2} = (0.085)^{1/2} = 0.29 \quad (b)$$

(2) Thermal Entrance Length  $L_t$

$$\frac{L_t}{D_e} = C_t Pr Re_D \quad (6.6)$$

$C_t$  is given in Table 6.1  
 Compare with scaling

$$\left(\frac{L_t/D}{Re_D Pr}\right)^{1/2} \sim 1 \quad (6.3)$$

Rewrite (6.6):

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$$\left(\frac{L_t/D}{Re_D Pr}\right)^{1/2} = C_t^{1/2} \quad (b)$$

Example: Rectangular channel,  $a/b = 2$ , Table 6.1 gives  $C_t = 0.049$  gives

$$\left(\frac{L_t/D}{Re_D Pr}\right)^{1/2} = (0.049)^{1/2} = 0.22 \quad (c)$$

**Turbulent flow:** Experimental results:

- $L_h$  and  $L_t$  are shorter than in laminar flow

**Rule of thumb :**

$$10 < \frac{L_h}{D} < 60 \quad (6.7a)$$

$$40 < \frac{L_t}{D} < 100 \quad (6.7b)$$

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**6.4 Channels with Uniform Surface Heat Flux  $q_s''$**

When surface heat flux is uniform  
 Surface temperature is variable

- Section length  $L$
- Inlet temperature:  $T_{mi} = T_m(0)$
- Surface flux  $q_s''$

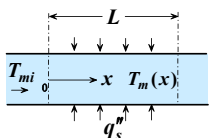


Fig. 6.3

**Determine:**

- Total heat transfer
- Mean temperature variation  $T_m(x)$
- Surface temperature variation  $T_s(x)$

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**Total heat:**

$$q_s = q_s'' A_s = q_s'' P x \quad (6.8)$$

$A_s$  = surface area  
 $P$  = perimeter

**Conservation of energy:**

**Assumptions:**

- (1) Steady state
- (2) No energy generation
- (3) Negligible changes in kinetic and potential energy
- (4) No axial conduction

$$q_s = q_s'' P x = m c_p [T_m(x) - T_{mi}]$$

or

$$T_m(x) = T_{mi} + \frac{q_s'' P}{m c_p} x \quad (6.9)$$

$m$  = mass flow rate

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$c_p$  = specific heat

(6.9) applies to any region and any flow (laminar, turbulent or mixed)

Use heat transfer analysis to determine surface temperature  $T_s(x)$

Newton's law of cooling

$$q_s'' = h(x)[T_s(x) - T_m(x)]$$

Solve for  $T_s(x)$

$$T_s(x) = T_m(x) + \frac{q_s''}{h(x)}$$

Use (6.9) to eliminate  $T_m(x)$

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$$T_s(x) = T_{mi} + q_s'' \left[ \frac{Px}{m c_p} + \frac{1}{h(x)} \right] \quad (6.10)$$

$h(x)$  is needed in (6.10) to determine  $T_s(x)$

**To determine  $h(x)$ :**

- (1) Laminar or turbulent flow?
- (2) Entrance or fully developed region?

**Example 6.2: Maximum Surface Temperature**

- Water flows through tube
- Mean velocity = 0.2 m/s
- $T_{mi} = 20^\circ\text{C}$

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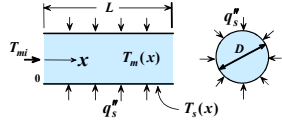
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- $T_{m0} = 80^\circ \text{C}$
- $D = 0.5 \text{ cm}$
- Uniform surface heat flux =  $0.6 \text{ W/cm}^2$
- Fully developed flow at outlet
- Nusselt number for laminar fully developed flow



$$Nu_D = \frac{hD}{k} = 4.364 \quad (A)$$

Determine the maximum surface temperature

**(1) Observations**

- Uniform surface flux
- $T_s = T_s(x)$ , maximum at the outlet

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- Laminar or turbulent flow? Check  $Re_D$
- Is outlet fully developed? Check  $L_h$  and  $L_t$
- Uniform Nusselt number ( $h$  is constant)
- Length of tube section is unknown

**(2) Problem Definition**

- Determine  $L$
- Determine  $T_s(L)$

**(3) Solution Plan**

- Apply conservation of energy
- Compute  $Re_D$
- Calculate  $L_h$  and  $L_t$
- Apply uniform flux analysis
- If applicable use (A) to determine  $h$

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**(4) Plan Execution**

**(i) Assumptions**

- Steady state
- Constant properties
- Axisymmetric flow
- Uniform surface heat flux
- Negligible changes in kinetic and potential energy
- Negligible axial conduction
- Negligible dissipation

**(ii) Analysis**

Conservation of energy:

$$\pi DLq_s'' = mc_p(T_{m0} - T_m) \quad (a)$$

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$c_p$  = specific heat, J/kg-°C  
 $D$  = tube diameter = 0.5 cm = 0.005 m  
 $L$  = tube length, m  
 $m$  = mass flow rate, kg/s  
 $T_{mi}$  = mean temperature at the inlet = 20°C  
 $T_{mo}$  = mean temperature at the outlet = 80°C  
 $q_s''$  = surface heat flux = 0.6 W/cm<sup>2</sup> = 6000 W/m<sup>2</sup>

From (a)

$$L = \frac{mc_p(T_{mo} - T_{mi})}{\pi D q_s''} \quad (b)$$

Conservation of mass:

$$m = (\pi/4) D^2 \rho \bar{u} \quad (c)$$

where

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$\bar{u}$  = mean flow velocity = 0.2 m/s  
 $\rho$  = density, kg/m<sup>3</sup>

Surface temperature: Apply (6.10)

$$T_s(x) = T_{mi} + q_s'' \left[ \frac{Px}{mc_p} + \frac{1}{h(x)} \right] \quad (6.10)$$

$h$  = local heat transfer coefficient, W/m<sup>2</sup>-°C

$P$  = tube perimeter, m

$T_s(x)$  = local surface temperature, °C

$x$  = distance from inlet of heated section, m

Perimeter  $P$ :

$$P = \pi D \quad (d)$$

Maximum surface temperature: set  $x = L$  in (6.10)

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$$T_s(L) = T_{mi} + q_s'' \left[ \frac{PL}{mc_p} + \frac{1}{h(L)} \right] \quad (e)$$

Determine  $h(L)$ : Is flow laminar or turbulent? Compute  $Re_D$

$$Re_D = \frac{\bar{u}D}{\nu} \quad (f)$$

Properties  $\bar{T}_m$

$$\bar{T}_m = \frac{T_{mi} + T_{mo}}{2} \quad (g)$$

$$\bar{T} = \frac{(20 + 80)(^\circ\text{C})}{2} = 50^\circ\text{C}$$

For water:

$c_p = 4182$  J/kg-°C

$k = 0.6405$  W/m-°C

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$Pr = 3.57$   
 $\nu = 0.5537 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$   
 $\rho = 988 \text{ kg/m}^3$

Use (g)

$$Re_D = \frac{0.2(\text{m/s})0.005(\text{m})}{0.5537 \times 10^{-6}(\text{m}^2/\text{s})} = 1806, \text{ laminar flow}$$

Compute  $L_h$  and  $L_t$  using (6.5) and (6.6)

$$\frac{L_h}{D_e} = C_h Re_D \tag{6.5}$$

$$\frac{L_t}{D_e} = C_t Pr Re_D \tag{6.6}$$

$C_h = 0.056$  (Table 6.1)  
 $C_t = 0.043$  (Table 6.1)

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$L_h = 0.056 \times 0.005 \text{ (m)} \times 1806 = 0.506 \text{ m}$   
 $L_t = 0.043 \times 0.005 \text{ (m)} \times 1806 \times 3.57 = 1.386 \text{ m}$

Is  $L$  smaller or larger than  $L_h$  and  $L_t$  ?

Compute  $L$  using (b). Use (c) to compute  $m$

$$m = 988(\text{kg/m}^3) 0.2(\text{m/s}) \pi (0.005)^2(\text{m}^2)/4 = 0.00388\text{kg/s}$$

Substitute into (b)

$$L = \frac{0.00388(\text{kg/s}) 4182(\text{J/kg} \cdot ^\circ\text{C})(80 - 20)(^\circ\text{C})}{0.005(\text{m}) 0.6(\text{W/cm}^2) 10^4(\text{cm}^2/\text{m}^2)} = 10.33 \text{ m}$$

$L$  is larger than both  $L_h$  and  $L_t$ .  
Flow is fully developed at the outlet

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Equation (A) is applicable

$$Nu_D = \frac{hD}{k} = 4.364 \tag{A}$$

(iii) Computations. Apply (A)

$$h(L) = 4.364 \frac{0.6405(\text{W/m} \cdot ^\circ\text{C})}{0.005(\text{m})} = 559 \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{C}$$

Use (e)

$$T_s(L) = 20^\circ\text{C} + 6000(\text{W/m}^2) \left[ \frac{\pi 0.005(\text{m}) 0.43(\text{m})}{0.00388(\text{kg/s}) 4182(\text{J/kg} \cdot ^\circ\text{C})} + \frac{1}{559(\text{W/m}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{C})} \right]$$

$$T_s(L) = 90.7^\circ\text{C}$$

(iv) Checking. Dimensional check:

Quantitative checks: (1) Alternate approach: apply Newton's law at outlet

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$$q_s'' = h(L)[T_s(L) - T_{mo}] \quad (i)$$

solve for  $T_s(L)$

$$T_s(L) = T_{mo} + \frac{q_s''}{h} = 80 \text{ (}^\circ\text{C)} + \frac{0.6(\text{W/cm}^2) \times 10^4 (\text{cm}^2/\text{m}^2)}{559(\text{W/m}^2\text{-}^\circ\text{C})} = 90.7^\circ\text{C}$$

(2) Compare value of  $h$  with Table 1.1

Limiting check: For  $T_{mi} = T_{mo}$ ,  $L = 0$ . Set  $T_{mi} = T_{mo}$  in (b) gives  $L = 0$ .

(3) Comments.

- In laminar flow local  $h$  depends on local flow condition: entrance vs. fully developed
- Check  $Re_D$  to determine:
  - (i) If flow is laminar or turbulent
  - (ii) Entrance or fully developed

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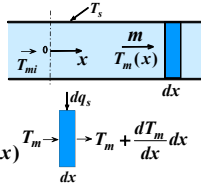
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### 6.5 Channels with Uniform Surface Temperature

When surface temperature is uniform, surface heat flux is variable

- Surface temperature:  $T_s$
- Inlet temperature:  $T_{mi} = T_m(0)$
- Section length:  $L$



Determine

- (1) Mean temperature variation  $T_m(x)$
- (2) Total heat  $q_s$

Fig. 6.4  
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(3) Surface flux variation  $q_s''(x)$

**Analysis**

Apply conservation of energy to element  $dx$

**Assumptions**

- (1) Steady state
- (2) No energy generation
- (3) Negligible changes in kinetic and potential energy
- (4) No axial conduction

$$dq_s = m c_p dT_m \quad (a)$$

Newton's law:

$$dq_s = h(x)[T_s - T_m(x)]Pdx$$

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Combine (a) and (b)

$$\frac{dT_m}{T_s - T_m(x)} = -\frac{P}{m c_p} h(x) dx \quad (6)$$

Integrate from  $x=0$  ( $T_m = T_m(0) = T_{mi}$ ) to  $x$  ( $T_m = T_m(x)$ )

$$\ln \left[ \frac{T_m(x) - T_s}{T_{mi} - T_s} \right] = -\frac{P}{m c_p} \int_0^x h(x) dx$$

Must determine  $h(x)$ . Introduce  $\bar{h}$

$$\bar{h} = \frac{1}{x} \int_0^x h(x) dx \quad (6.12)$$

(6.12) into (6.11)

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$$T_m(x) = T_s + (T_{mi} - T_s) \exp\left[-\frac{P\bar{h}}{m c_p} x\right] \quad (6.13)$$

(6.13) applies to any region and any flow (laminar, turbulent or mixed)

To determine  $h(x)$ :  
(1) Is flow laminar or turbulent flow?  
(2) Entrance or fully developed region?

**Total heat:** Apply conservation of energy:

$$q_s = m c_p [T_m(x) - T_{mi}]$$

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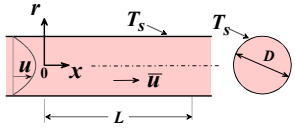
**Surface flux:** Apply Newton's law:

$$q_s''(x) = h(x)[T_s - T_m(x)] \quad (6.15)$$

**Properties:** At mean of inlet and outlet temperatures

**Example 6.3: Required Tube Length**

- Air flows through tube
- Uniform surface temperature,  $T_s = 130^\circ\text{C}$
- Mean velocity = 2 m/s,
- $T_{mi} = 35^\circ\text{C}$
- $D = 1.0\text{ cm}$



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- Nusselt number for laminar fully developed flow

$$Nu_D = \frac{hD}{k} = 3.657 \quad (A)$$

**Determine:** tube length to raise temperature to  $T_{mo} = 105^\circ\text{C}$

**(1) Observations**

- Laminar or turbulent flow? Check  $Re_D$
- Uniform surface temperature
- Uniform Nusselt number ( $h$  is constant) for fully developed laminar flow
- Length of tube is unknown

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**(2) Problem Definition.** Determine tube length needed to raise temperature to specified level

**(3) Solution Plan.**

- Use uniform surface temperature analysis
- Compute  $Re_D$ . Laminar or turbulent?

**(4) Plan Execution**

**(i) Assumptions**

- Steady state
- Fully developed flow
- Constant properties

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- Uniform surface temperature
- Negligible changes in kinetic and potential energy
- Negligible axial conduction
- Negligible dissipation

**(ii) Analysis**

$$T_m(x) = T_s + (T_{mi} - T_s) \exp\left[-\frac{P\bar{h}}{m c_p} x\right] \quad (6.13)$$

$c_p$  = specific heat,  $\text{J/kg}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$

$\bar{h}$  = average  $h$ ,  $\text{W/m}^2\cdot^\circ\text{C}$

$m$  = flow rate,  $\text{kg/s}$

$P$  = perimeter,  $\text{m}$

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$T_m(x)$  = mean temperature at  $x$ , °C

$T_{mi}$  = mean inlet temperature = 35 °C

$T_s$  = surface temperature = 130 °C

$x$  = distance from inlet, m

Apply (a) at the outlet ( $x = L$ ), solve for  $L$

$$L = \frac{m c_p}{P h} \ln \frac{T_s - T_{mi}}{T_s - T_{mo}} \quad (a)$$

$T_{mo}$  = outlet temperature = 105 °C

Properties: at  $\bar{T}_m$

$$\bar{T}_m = \frac{T_{mi} + T_{mo}}{2} \quad (b)$$

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$$P = \pi D \quad (c)$$

$$m = \pi \frac{D^2}{4} \rho \bar{u} \quad (d)$$

$D$  = inside tube diameter = 1 cm = 0.01 m

$\bar{u}$  = mean flow velocity = 2 m/s

$\rho$  = density, kg/m<sup>3</sup>

For fully developed laminar flow

$$Nu_D = \frac{hD}{k} = 3.657 \quad (e)$$

$h$  = heat transfer coefficient, W/m<sup>2</sup>-°C

$k$  = thermal conductivity of air, W/m-°C

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$$h = \bar{h} = 3.657 \frac{k}{D}, \text{ for laminar fully developed} \quad (f)$$

Compute: Reynolds number

$$Re_D = \frac{\bar{u} D}{\nu} \quad (g)$$

Use (b)

$$\bar{T}_m = \frac{(35 + 105)(^\circ\text{C})}{2} = 70^\circ\text{C}$$

Properties:

$c_p = 1008.7 \text{ J/kg-}^\circ\text{C}$

$k = 0.02922 \text{ W/m-}^\circ\text{C}$

$Pr = 0.707$

$\nu = 19.9 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$

$\rho = 11.0287 \text{ kg/m}^3$

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Use (f)

$$Re_D = \frac{2(\text{m/s})0.01(\text{m})}{19.9 \times 10^{-6}(\text{m}^2/\text{s})} = 1005, \text{ flow is laminar}$$

(iii) Computations

$$P = \pi 0.01(\text{m}) = 0.03142 \text{ m}$$

$$m = \pi \frac{(0.01)^2(\text{m}^2)}{4} 1.0287(\text{kg}/\text{m}^3) 2(\text{m}/\text{s}) = 0.0001616 \text{ kg/s}$$

$$\bar{h} = 3.657 \frac{0.02922(\text{W}/\text{m}^2\text{-}^\circ\text{C})}{0.01(\text{m})} = 10.69 \text{ W}/\text{m}^2\text{-}^\circ\text{C}$$

Substitute into (a)

$$L = \frac{0.0001616(\text{kg}/\text{s})1008.7(\text{J}/\text{kg-}^\circ\text{C})}{0.03142(\text{m})10.69(\text{W}/\text{m}^2\text{-}^\circ\text{C})} \ln \frac{(130-35)(^\circ\text{C})}{(130-105)(^\circ\text{C})} = 0.65 \text{ m}$$

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(iv) Checking. Dimensional check

(i)  $L = 0$  for  $T_{mo} = T_{mi}$ . Set  $T_{mo} = T_{mi}$  in (a) gives  $L = 0$

(ii)  $L = \infty$  for  $T_{mo} = T_s$ . Set  $T_{mo} = T_s$  in (a) gives  $L = \infty$

Quantitative checks: (i) Approximate check:

Energy added at the surface = Energy gained by air (b)

$$\text{Energy added at surface} \approx \bar{h}\pi DL(T_s - \bar{T}_m) \quad (i)$$

$$\text{Energy gained by air} = mc_p(T_{mo} - T_{mi}) \quad (j)$$

(j) and (k) into (i), solve for  $L$

$$L = \frac{m c_p (T_{mo} - T_{mi})}{\bar{h} \pi D (T_s - \bar{T}_m)} \quad (k)$$

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$$L = \frac{0.0001616(\text{kg}/\text{s})1008.7(\text{J}/\text{kg-}^\circ\text{C})(105-35)(^\circ\text{C})}{10.69(\text{W}/\text{m}^2\text{-}^\circ\text{C})\pi(0.01)(\text{m})(130-70)(^\circ\text{C})} = 0.57 \text{ m}$$

(ii) Value of  $h$  is low compared with Table 1.1. Review solution. Deviation from Table 1.1 are expected

(5) Comments. This problem is simplified by two conditions: fully developed and laminar flow

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**6.6 Determination of Heat Transfer Coefficient**

$h(x)$  and Nusselt Number  $Nu_D$

Two Methods:

(1) Scale analysis

(2) Analytic or numerical solutions

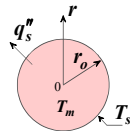


Fig. 6.5

**6.6.1 Scale Analysis**

Fourier's law and Newton's law

$$h = \frac{-k \frac{\partial T(r_0, x)}{\partial r}}{T_m - T_s} \quad (6.16)$$

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Scales:

$$r \sim \delta_t \quad (a)$$

$$\frac{\partial T(r_0, x)}{\partial r} \sim \frac{T_m - T_s}{\delta_t} \quad (b)$$

(a) and (b) into (6.16)

$$h \sim \frac{k \frac{(T_m - T_s)}{\delta_t}}{T_m - T_s}$$

or

$$h \sim \frac{k}{\delta_t} \quad (6.17)$$

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Nusselt number:

$$Nu_D = \frac{hD}{k}$$

(6.17) into the above

$$Nu_D \sim \frac{D}{\delta_t} \quad (6.18)$$

Entrance region:  $\delta_t < D, Nu_D > 1$

Special case: fully developed region

$$\delta_t(x) \sim D$$

(6.18) gives

$$Nu_D \sim 1 \text{ (fully developed)} \quad (6.19)$$

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$\delta_t$  in the entrance region: For all  $Pr$

$$\delta_t \sim x Pr^{-1/2} Re_x^{-1/2} \quad (4.24)$$

(4.24) into (6.18)

$$Nu_D \sim \frac{D}{x} Pr^{1/2} Re_x^{1/2} \quad (c)$$

Express in terms of  $Re_D$

$$Re_x = \frac{\bar{u}x}{\nu} = \frac{\bar{u}D}{\nu} \frac{x}{D} = Re_D \frac{x}{D} \quad (d)$$

(d) into (c)

$$Nu_D \sim \left(\frac{D}{x}\right)^{1/2} Pr^{1/2} Re_x^{1/2} \quad (6.20a)$$

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or

$$\frac{Nu_D}{\left(\frac{PrRe}{x/D}\right)^{1/2}} \sim 1 \quad (6.20b)$$

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**6.6.2 Basic Considerations for the Analytical Determination of Heat Flux, Heat Transfer Coefficient and Nusselt Number**

(1) Fourier's law and Newton's law

$$q_s^* = -k \frac{\partial T(x, r_o)}{\partial r} \quad (a)$$

Define dimensionless variables

$$\theta \equiv \frac{T - T_s}{T_i - T_s}, \quad \xi = \frac{x/D}{Re_D Pr}, \quad R = \frac{r}{r_o}$$

$$v_x^* = \frac{v_x}{\bar{u}}, \quad v_r^* = \frac{v_r}{\bar{u}}, \quad Re_D = \frac{\bar{u}D}{\nu} \quad (6.21)$$

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(6.21) into (a)

$$q_s''(\xi) = \frac{k}{r_o} (T_s - T_i) \frac{\partial \theta(\xi, 1)}{\partial R} \quad (6.22)$$

Newton's law

$$h(\xi) = \frac{q_s''}{T_m - T_s} \quad (6.23)$$

Combine (6.22) and (6.23)

$$h(\xi) = \frac{k(T_s - T_i)}{r_o(T_m - T_s)} \frac{\partial \theta(\xi, 1)}{\partial R} = -\frac{k}{r_o} \frac{1}{\theta_m(\xi)} \frac{\partial \theta(\xi, 1)}{\partial R} \quad (6.24)$$

Dimensionless mean temperature  $\theta_m$ :

$$\theta_m \equiv \frac{T_m - T_s}{T_i - T_s} \quad (6.25)$$


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Nusselt number:

$$Nu(\xi) = \frac{h(\xi)D}{k} = \frac{h(\xi)2r_o}{k} \quad (6.26)$$

(6.24) into (6.26)

$$Nu(\xi) = \frac{-2}{\theta_m(\xi)} \frac{\partial \theta(\xi, 1)}{\partial R} \quad (6.27)$$

**Determine:**  $q_s''(\xi)$ ,  $h(\xi)$  and:  $Nu(\xi)$

Find  $\theta(\xi, R)$ . Apply energy equation

**(2) The Energy Equation**

Assumptions

- Steady state

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- Laminar flow
- Axisymmetric
- Negligible gravity
- Negligible dissipation
- Negligible changes in kinetic and potential energy
- Constant properties

$$\rho c_p \left( v_r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} + v_z \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) = k \left[ \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right] \quad (2.24)$$

Replace  $z$  by  $x$ , express in dimensionless form

$$v_x \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \xi} + 2Re_D Pr v_r \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial R} = \frac{4}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left( R \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial R} \right) + \frac{1}{(Re_D Pr)^2} \frac{\partial^2 \theta}{\partial \xi^2} \quad (6.28)$$


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$Pe = Re_D Pr$ , **Peclet number** (2.29)

- Third term: radial conduction
- Fourth term: axial conduction
- Neglect axial conduction for:

$Pe = Pr Re_D \geq 100$  (6.30)

Simplify (6.28)

$$v_x^* \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \xi} + 2 Re_D Pr v_r^* \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial R} = \frac{4}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left( R \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial R} \right)$$
 (6.31)

**(3) Mean (Bulk) Temperature  $T_m$**   
 Need a reference local temperature. Use  $T_m(x)$

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$$m c_p T_m = \int_0^{r_o} \rho c_p v_x T 2\pi r dr$$
 (a)

where

$$m = \int_0^{r_o} \rho v_x 2\pi r dr$$
 (b)

**(b) into (a), assume constant properties**

$$T_m = \frac{\int_0^{r_o} v_x T r dr}{\int_0^{r_o} v_x r dr}$$
 (6.32a)

**In dimensionless form:**

$$\theta_m = \frac{T_m - T_s}{T_i - T_s} = \frac{\int_0^1 v_x^* \theta R dR}{\int_0^1 v_x^* R dR}$$
 (6.32b)

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**6.7 Heat Transfer Coefficient in the Fully Developed Temperature Region**

**6.7.1 Definition of Fully Developed Temperature Profile**

Fully developed temperature:

$$\phi = \frac{T_s(x) - T(r, x)}{T_s(x) - T_m(x)}$$

Let

$$x/d > 0.05 Re_D Pr$$
 (6.33)

**Definition:**

For fully developed temperature  $\phi$  is independent of  $x$

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Therefore

$$\phi = \phi(r) \quad (6.34)$$

From (6.34)

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = 0 \quad (6.35)$$

(6.33) and (6.35):

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \frac{T_s(x) - T(r, x)}{T_s(x) - T_m(x)} \right] = 0 \quad (6.36a)$$

Expand and use (6.33)

$$\frac{dT_s}{dx} - \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} - \phi(r) \left[ \frac{dT_s}{dx} - \frac{dT_m}{dx} \right] = 0 \quad (6.36b)$$

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### 6.7.2 Heat Transfer coefficient and Nusselt number

$$h = \frac{-k \frac{\partial T(r_o, x)}{\partial r}}{T_m - T_s} \quad (6.16)$$

Use (6.33) to form  $\partial T(r_o, x) / \partial r$ , substitute into (6.16)

$$h = -k \frac{d\phi(r_o)}{dr} \quad (6.37)$$

**Conclusion:**

The heat transfer coefficient in the fully developed region is constant regardless of boundary condition

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Nusselt number:

$$Nu_D = \frac{hD}{k} = -D \frac{d\phi(r_o)}{dr} \quad (6.38)$$

Entrance region scaling result:

$$Nu_D \sim 1 \quad (\text{fully developed}) \quad (6.19)$$

Scaling of fully developed region:

scale for  $\partial T(r_o, x) / \partial r$

$$\frac{\partial T(r_o, x)}{\partial r} \sim \frac{T_s - T_m}{D}$$

Substitute into (6.16)

$$h \sim \frac{k}{D} \quad (6.39)$$

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(6.39) into (6.38)

$$Nu_D \sim 1 \quad (\text{fully developed}) \quad (6.40)$$

**6.7.3 Fully Developed Region for Tubes at Uniform Surface flux**

- Uniform flux
- Determine
  - $T_s(x)$
  - $h$

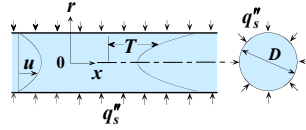


Fig. 6.6

Newton's law:

$$q_s'' = h[T_s(x) - T_m(x)] \quad (a)$$

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$T_s(x)$  and  $T_m(x)$  are unknown

$q_s''$  and  $h$  are constant

(a) gives:

$$[T_s(x) - T_m(x)] = \text{constant} \quad (b)$$

Differentiate (b)

$$\frac{dT_s}{dx} = \frac{dT_m}{dx} \quad (c)$$

(c) into (6.36b)

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = \frac{dT_s}{dx} \quad (d)$$

Combine (c) and (d)

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = \frac{dT_s}{dx} = \frac{dT_m}{dx} \quad (\text{for constant } q_s'') \quad (6.41)$$

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To determine  $h$  form (6.16) :

**Determine:**  $T(r,r)$ ,  $T_m(x)$  and  $T_s(x)$

Conservation of energy for  $dx$

$$q_s'' P dx + mc_p T_m = mc_p \left[ T_m + \frac{dT_m}{dx} dx \right]$$

Simplify

$$\frac{dT_m}{dx} = \frac{q_s'' P}{mc_p} = \text{constant} \quad (6.42)$$

(6.42) into (6.41)

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = \frac{dT_s}{dx} = \frac{dT_m}{dx} = \frac{q_s'' P}{mc_p} = \text{constant} \quad (6.43)$$

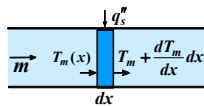


Fig. 6.7

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**Conclusion:**  $T(x, r)$ ,  $T_m(x)$  and  $T_s(x)$  are linear with  $x$

Integrate(6.43)

$$T_m(x) = \frac{q_s'' P}{m c_p} x + C_1 \quad (e)$$

$C_1 = \text{constant}$

**Boundary condition:**

$$T_m(0) = T_{mi} \quad (f)$$

Apply (e) to (f)

$$C_1 = T_{mi}$$

(e) becomes

$$T_m(x) = T_{mi} + \frac{q_s'' P}{m c_p} x \quad (6.44)$$

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Determine  $T(r, x)$  and  $T_s(x)$

Apply energy equation (2.23) in the fully developed region

**Assumptions**

- Negligible axial conduction
- Negligible dissipation
- Fully developed,  $v_r = 0$

$$\rho c_p v_x \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = \frac{k}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) \quad (6.45)$$

$$v_x = 2\bar{u} \left[ 1 - \frac{r^2}{r_o^2} \right] \quad (6.46)$$

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However

$$m = \pi r_o^2 \rho \bar{u}$$

$$P = 2\pi r_o$$

equation (g) becomes

$$\frac{4q_s''}{r_o} \left[ 1 - \frac{r^2}{r_o^2} \right] = \frac{k}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) \quad (6.47)$$

**Boundary conditions:**

$$\frac{\partial T(0, x)}{\partial r} = 0 \quad (6.48a)$$

$$k \frac{\partial T(r_o, x)}{\partial r} = q_s'' \quad (6.48b)$$

Integrate (6.47)

$$\frac{4}{r_o} q_s'' \left[ \frac{r^2}{2} - \frac{r^3}{4r_o^2} \right] = kr \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + f(x) \quad (h)$$

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$f(x)$  = “constant” of integration  
 Boundary condition (6.48a)  
 $f(x) = 0$   
 (h) becomes  $\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} = \frac{4q_s''}{kr_o} \left[ \frac{r}{2} - \frac{r^3}{4r_o^2} \right]$   
 Integrate  
 $T(r, x) = \frac{4q_s''}{kr_o} \left[ \frac{r^2}{4} - \frac{r^4}{4r_o^2} \right] + g(x)$  (6.49)  
 $g(x)$  = “constant” of integration  
 • Boundary condition (6.48b) is satisfied  
 • Use solution to  $T_m(x)$  to determine  $g(x)$

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Substitute(6.46) and (6.49) into (6.32a)  
 $T_m(x) = \frac{7}{24} \frac{r_o q_s''}{k} + g(x)$  (6.50)  
 Two equations for  $T_m(x)$  : (6.44) and (6.50). Equating  
 $g(x) = T_{mi} - \frac{7}{24} \frac{r_o q_s''}{k} + \frac{Pq_s''}{mc_p} x$  (6.51)  
 (6.51) into (6.49)  
 $T(r, x) = T_{mi} + \frac{4q_s''}{kr_o} \left[ \frac{r^2}{4} - \frac{r^3}{16r_o^2} \right] - \frac{7}{24} \frac{r_o q_s''}{k} + \frac{Pq_s''}{mc_p} x$  (6.52)  
 Surface temperature  $T_s(x)$ : set  $r = r_o$  in (6.52)

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$T_s(x) = T_{mi} + \frac{11}{24} \frac{r_o q_s''}{k} + \frac{Pq_s''}{mc_p} x$  (6.53)  
 $T(r, x), T_m(x)$  and  $T_s(x)$  are determined  
 (6.44), (6.52) and (6.53) into (6.33)  
 $\phi(r) = 1 - \frac{24}{11} \frac{1}{r_o^2} \left[ r^2 - \frac{r^4}{4r_o^2} \right] + \frac{24}{11} \frac{Pq_s''}{mc_p} x + \frac{7}{11} x$  (6.54)  
 Differentiate(6.54) and use (6.38)  
 $Nu_D = \frac{48}{11} = 4.364$ , laminar fully developed (6.55)

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**Comments:**

- (6.55) applies to:
- Laminar flow in tubes
- Fully developed velocity and temperature
- Uniform surface heat flux
- Nusselt number is independent of Reynolds and Prandtl numbers
- Scaling result:

$$Nu_D \sim 1 \quad (6.40)$$

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**6.7.4 Fully Developed Region for Tubes at Uniform Surface Temperature**

- Fully developed
- Uniform surface temperature  $T_s$

Determine:  $Nu_D$  and  $h$

**Assumptions:**

- Neglect axial conduction
- Neglect dissipation
- Fully developed:  $v_r = 0$

Energy equation (2.24):

$$\rho c_p v_x \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = k \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) \quad (6.45)$$

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**Boundary conditions:**

$$\frac{\partial T(0, x)}{\partial r} = 0 \quad (6.56a)$$

$$T(r_o, x) = T_s \quad (6.56b)$$

**Axial velocity**

$$v_x = 2\bar{u} \left[ 1 - \frac{r^2}{r_o^2} \right] \quad (6.46)$$

Eliminate  $\partial T / \partial x$  in equation (6.45). Use (6.36a)

$$\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left[ \frac{T_s(x) - T(r, x)}{T_s(x) - T_m(x)} \right] = 0 \quad (6.36a)$$

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for  $T_s(x) = T_s$ , (6.36a) gives

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} = \frac{T_s - T(r, x)}{T_s - T_m(x)} \frac{dT_m}{dx} \quad (6.57)$$

(6.46) and (6.57) into (6.45)

$$\rho c_p \bar{u} \left[ 1 - \frac{r^2}{r_o^2} \right] \frac{T_s - T(r, x)}{T_s - T_m(x)} \frac{dT_m}{dx} = \frac{k}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left( r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) \quad (6.58)$$

**Result:** Solution to (6.58) by infinite power series:

$$Nu_D = 3.657 \quad (6.59)$$

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### 6.7.5 Nusselt Number for Laminar Fully Developed Velocity and Temperature in Channels of Various Cross Sections

- Analytical and numerical solutions
- Results for two classes of boundary conditions:
  - Uniform surface flux
  - Uniform surface temperature
- Nusselt number is based on the equivalent diameter

$$D_e = \frac{4A_f}{P} \quad (6.60)$$

- Results: Table 6.2

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





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Table 6.2  
Nusselt number for laminar fully developed conditions in channels of various cross-sections [3]

Channel geometry	$\frac{a}{b}$	Nusselt number $Nu_D$	
		Uniform surface flux	Uniform surface temperature
		4.364	3.657
	1	3.608	2.976
	2	4.123	3.391
	4	5.331	4.439
	8	6.49	5.597
	$\infty$	8.235	7.541
		3.102	2.46

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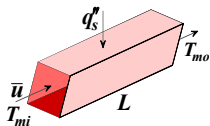
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- Compare with scaling

$$Nu_D \sim 1 \quad (\text{fully developed}) \quad (6.40)$$

**Example 6.4: Maximum Surface Temperature in an Air Duct**

- 4 cm × 4 cm square duct
- Uniform heat flux = 590 W/m<sup>2</sup>
- Heating air from 40° C to 120° C
- $\bar{u} = 0.32$  m/s
- No entrance effects (fully developed)



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**Determine:** Maximum surface temperature

**(1) Observations**

- Uniform surface flux
- Variable Surface temperature,  $T_s(x)$ , maximum at outlet
- Compute the Reynolds number
- Velocity and temperature are fully developed
- The heat transfer coefficient is uniform for fully developed flow
- Duct length is unknown
- The fluid is air

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**(2) Problem Definition**

- (i) Find the required length
- (ii) Determine surface temperature at outlet

**(3) Solution Plan**

- (i) Apply conservation of energy
- (ii) Compute the Reynolds
- (iii) Apply constant surface solution
- (iv) Use Table 6.2 for  $h$

**(4) Plan Execution**

- (i) Assumptions
  - Steady state

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- Constant properties
- Uniform surface flux
- Negligible changes in kinetic and potential energy
- Negligible axial conduction
- Negligible dissipation

## (ii) Analysis

Conservation of energy

$$PLq_s'' = mc_p(T_{mo} - T_{mi}) \quad (a)$$

 $c_p$  = specific heat, J/kg-°C $L$  = channel length, m $m$  = mass flow rate, kg/s

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 $P$  = perimeter, m $q_s''$  = surface heat flux = 590 W/m<sup>2</sup> $T_{mi}$  = 40°C $T_{mo}$  = 120°CSolve (a) for  $L$ 

$$L = \frac{mc_p(T_{mo} - T_{mi})}{Pq_s''} \quad (b)$$

Find  $m$  and  $P$ 

$$m = \rho S^2 \bar{u} \quad (c)$$

$$P = 4S \quad (d)$$

 $S$  = duct side = 0.04 m $\bar{u}$  = mean flow velocity = 0.32 m/s

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 $\rho$  = density, kg/m<sup>3</sup>

(c) and (d) into (b)

$$L = \frac{\rho S \bar{u} c_p (T_{mo} - T_{mi})}{4q_s''} \quad (e)$$

Surface temperature: Use solution (6.10)

$$T_s(x) = T_{mi} + q_s'' \left( \frac{Px}{\dot{m}c_p} + \frac{1}{h(x)} \right) \quad (f)$$

 $h(x)$  = local heat transfer coefficient, W/m<sup>2</sup>-°C $T_s(x)$  = local surface temperature, °C $x$  = distance from inlet, m

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Maximum surface temperature at  $x = L$

$$T_s(L) = T_{mi} + q_s'' \left( \frac{4L}{\rho S \bar{u} c_p} + \frac{1}{h(L)} \right) \quad (g)$$

Determine  $h(L)$ : Compute the Reynolds number

$$Re_{De} = \frac{\bar{u} D_e}{\nu} \quad (h)$$

$D_e$  = equivalent diameter, m

$\nu$  = kinematic viscosity, m<sup>2</sup>/s

$$D_e = 4 \frac{A}{P} = 4 \frac{S^2}{4S} = S \quad (i)$$

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(i) into (h)

$$Re_{De} = \frac{\bar{u} S}{\nu} \quad (j)$$

Properties: At  $\bar{T}_m$

$$\bar{T}_m = \frac{T_{mi} + T_{mo}}{2} \quad (k)$$

$$\bar{T}_m = \frac{(40 + 120)(^\circ\text{C})}{2} = 80^\circ\text{C}$$

Properties:

$$c_p = 1009.5 \text{ J/kg}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$$

$$k = 0.02991 \text{ W/m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$$

$$Pr = 0.706$$

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$$\nu = 20.92 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$$

$$\rho = 0.9996 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

(j) gives

$$Re_{De} = \frac{0.32(\text{m/s})0.04(\text{m})}{20.92 \times 10^{-6}(\text{m}^2/\text{s})} = 611.9, \text{ laminar flow}$$

(6.55) and Table 6.2

$$\overline{Nu}_{De} = \frac{\bar{h} D_e}{k} = 3.608 \quad (l)$$

$h = \bar{h}$

$$\bar{h} = 3.608 \frac{k}{D_e} \quad (m)$$

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**(iii) Computations.** Use (e)

$$L = \frac{0.9996(\text{kg/m}^3) 0.04(\text{m}) 0.32(\text{m/s}) 1009.5(\text{J/kg}\cdot^\circ\text{C})(120 - 40)(^\circ\text{C})}{(4) 590(\text{W/m}^2)} = 0.4378 \text{ m}$$

Use (m)

$$h(L) = \bar{h} = 3.608 \frac{0.02991(\text{W/m}\cdot^\circ\text{C})}{0.04(\text{m})} = 2.7 \text{ W/m}^2\cdot^\circ\text{C}$$

Substitute into (g)

$$T_s(L) = 40(^\circ\text{C}) + 590(\text{W/m}^2) \left( \frac{4(0.4378)(\text{m})}{0.9996(\text{kg/m}^3) 0.04(\text{m}) 0.32(\text{m/s}) 1009.5(\text{J/kg}\cdot^\circ\text{C})} + \frac{1}{2.7(\text{W/m}^2\cdot^\circ\text{C})} \right)$$

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$$T_s(L) = 338.5^\circ\text{C}$$

**(iv) Checking. Dimensional check:**

**Quantitative checks:** (1) Alternate approach to determining :  
Newton's law at outlet

$$q_s'' = h[T_s(L) - T_{mo}] \quad (n)$$

$T_s(L)$  Solve for

$$T_s(L) = T_{mo} = \frac{q_s''}{h} = 120(^\circ\text{C}) + \frac{590(\text{W/m}^2)}{2.7(\text{W/m}^2\cdot^\circ\text{C})} = 338.5^\circ\text{C}$$

(2) Compare  $h$  with Table 1.1

**Limiting check:**  $L=0$  for  $T_{mo} = T_{mi}$ . Set  $T_{mo} = T_{mi}$   
into (e) gives  $L = 0$

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**(5) Comments**

- (i) Maximum surface temperature is determined by the heat transfer coefficient at outlet
- (ii) Compute the Reynolds number to establish if the flow is laminar or turbulent and if it is developing or fully developed

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**6.8 Thermal Entrance Region: Laminar Flow Through Tubes**

**6.8.1 Uniform Surface Temperature: Graetz Solution**

- Laminar flow through tube
- Velocity is fully developed
- Temperature is developing
- No axial conduction ( $Pe > 100$ )
- Uniform surface temperature  $T_s$

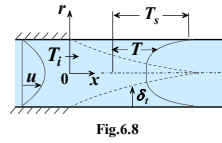


Fig.6.8

Velocity:

$$v_r = 0 \tag{3.1}$$

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$$v_z = \frac{1}{4\mu} \frac{dp}{dz} (r^2 - r_o^2) \tag{3.12}$$

Rewrite (3.1)

$$v_z^* = \frac{v_z}{\bar{u}} = 2[1 - R^2] \tag{6.61}$$

(3.1) and (6.61) into (6.31)

$$\frac{1}{2}(1 - R^2) \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial \xi} = \frac{1}{R} \frac{\partial}{\partial R} \left( R \frac{\partial \theta}{\partial R} \right) \tag{6.62}$$

Boundary conditions:

$$\frac{\partial \theta(\xi, 0)}{\partial R} = 0$$

$$\theta(\xi, 1) = 0$$

$$\theta(0, R) = 1$$

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Solution summary: Assume a product solutions

$$\theta(\xi, R) = X(\xi)R(R) \tag{a}$$

(a) into (6.62), separating variables

$$\frac{dX_n}{d\xi} + 2\lambda_n^2 X_n = 0 \tag{b}$$

$$\frac{d^2 R_n}{dR^2} + \frac{1}{R} \frac{dR_n}{dR} + \lambda_n^2 (1 - R^2) R_n = 0 \tag{c}$$

- $\lambda_n$  = eigenvalues obtained from the boundary conditions
- Solution  $X_n(\xi)$  to (b) is exponential
- Solution  $R_n(R)$  to (c) is not available in terms of simple tabulated functions

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Solutions to (b) and (c) into (a)

$$\theta(\xi, R) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n R_n(R) \exp(-2\lambda_n^2 \xi) \quad (6.64)$$

$C_n = \text{constant}$

Surface flux:

$$q_s''(\xi) = \frac{k}{r_o} (T_s - T_i) \frac{\partial \theta(\xi, 1)}{\partial R} \quad (6.22)$$

(6.64) gives

$$\frac{\partial \theta(\xi, 1)}{\partial R} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} C_n \frac{dR_n(1)}{dR_n} \exp(-2\lambda_n^2 \xi) \quad (d)$$

Define

$$G_n = -\frac{C_n}{2} \frac{dR_n(1)}{dR_n} \quad (e)$$

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(e) into (6.22)

$$q_s''(\xi) = -\frac{2k}{r_o} (T_s - T_i) \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} G_n \exp(-2\lambda_n^2 \xi) \quad (6.65)$$

Local Nusselt number: is given by

$$Nu(\xi) = \frac{-2}{\theta_m(\xi)} \frac{\partial \theta(\xi, 1)}{\partial R} \quad (6.27)$$

(d) gives  $\partial \theta(\xi, 1) / \partial R$

Mean temperature  $\theta_m(\xi)$ : (6.61) and (6.64) into (6.32b), integrate by parts and use(e)

$$\theta_m(\xi) = 8 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{G_n}{\lambda_n^2} \exp(-2\lambda_n^2 \xi) \quad (6.66)$$

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(d), (e) and (6.66) into (6.27)

$$Nu(\xi) = \frac{\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} G_n \exp(-2\lambda_n^2 \xi)}{2 \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{G_n}{\lambda_n^2} \exp(-2\lambda_n^2 \xi)} \quad (6.87)$$

Average Nusselt number: For length  $x$

$$\bar{Nu}(\xi) = \frac{\bar{h}(\xi) D}{k} \quad (f)$$

Two methods for determining  $\bar{h}(\xi)$ :

(1) Integrate local  $h(\xi)$  to obtain  $\bar{h}(\xi)$

(2) Use (6.13)

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$$T_m(x) = T_s + (T_i - T_s) \exp\left[-\frac{P\bar{h}}{m c_p} x\right] \quad (6.13)$$

Solve for  $\bar{h}$

$$\bar{h} = -\frac{m c_p}{P x} \ln \frac{T_m(x) - T_s}{T_i - T_s} \quad (g)$$

(g) into (f), use  $m = \rho \bar{u} \pi D^2 / 4$   $P = \pi D$  and definitions of  $\xi$ ,  $Re_D$  and  $\theta_m$  in (6.21) and (6.25)

$$\overline{Nu}(\xi) = -\frac{1}{4\xi} \ln \theta_m(\xi) \quad (6.68)$$

- Need  $\lambda_n$  and  $G_n$  to compute  $q_n''(\xi)$ ,  $\theta_m(\xi)$ ,  $Nu(\xi)$  and  $\overline{Nu}(\xi)$
- Table 6.3 gives  $\lambda_n$  and  $G_n$
- (6.67) and (6.68) are plotted in Fig. 6.9 as  $Nu(\xi)$  and  $\overline{Nu}(\xi)$

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Table 6.3  
Uniform surface temperature [4]

$n$	$\lambda_n$	$G_n$
0	2.70436	0.74877
1	6.67903	0.54383
2	10.67338	0.46286
3	14.67108	0.41542
4	18.66987	0.38292
5	22.66914	0.35869
6	26.66866	0.33962
7	30.66832	0.32406
8	34.66807	0.31101
9	38.66788	0.29984
10	42.66773	0.29012

Table 6.4  
Local and average Nusselt number for tube at uniform surface temperature [5]

$\xi = \frac{x D}{Re_D Pr}$	$Nu(\xi)$	$\overline{Nu}(\xi)$
0	$\infty$	$\infty$
0.0005	12.8	19.29
0.002	8.03	12.09
0.005	6.00	8.92
0.02	4.17	5.81
0.04	3.77	4.86
0.05	3.71	4.64
0.1	3.66	4.15
$\infty$	3.66	3.66

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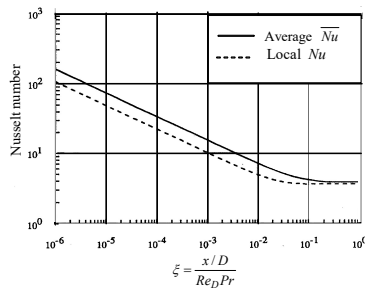


Fig. 6.9 Local and average Nusselt number for tube at uniform surface temperature [4]

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**Comments**

- (1)  $\overline{Nu}_D$  and  $Nu_D$  decrease with distance from entrance
- (2) At any location  $\xi$   $\overline{Nu}_D > Nu_D$
- (3) Asymptotic value (at  $\xi \approx 0.05$ ) for  $\overline{Nu}_D$  and  $Nu_D$  is 3.657. Same result of fully develop analysis

$$Nu(\infty) = 3.657 \quad (6.69)$$

- (4) Properties at

$$\overline{T}_m = \frac{T_{mi} + T_{mo}}{2} \quad (6.70)$$

- (5) Solution by trial and error if  $T_{mo}$  is to be determined

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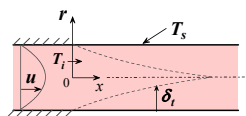
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**Example 6.5: Hot Water Heater**

- Fully developed velocity in tube
- Developing temperature
- Uniform inlet temperature  $T_i = 25^\circ\text{C}$
- Diameter = 1.5 cm
- Length = 80 cm
- Flow rate = 0.002 kg/s
- Heat water to  $75^\circ\text{C}$



**Determine:** Surface temperature

**(1) Observations**

- Uniform surface temperature
- Compute Reynolds number: Laminar or turbulent flow?

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- Compute  $L_h$  and  $L_t$  : Can they be neglected?

**(2) Problem Definition**

- (i) Determine  $T_s$
- (ii) Determine  $h$

**(3) Solution Plan**

- (i) Apply uniform surface temperature results
- (ii) Compute the Reynolds number: Establish if problem is entrance or fully developed
- (iii) Use appropriate results for Nusselt number

**(4) Plan Execution**

- (i) Assumptions
- Steady state

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- Constant properties
- Uniform surface temperature
- Negligible changes in kinetic and potential energy
- Negligible axial conduction
- Negligible dissipation

## (ii) Analysis

Uniform surface temperature

$$T_m(x) = T_s + (T_{mi} - T_s) \exp\left[-\frac{P\bar{h}}{m c_p} x\right] \quad (6.13)$$

 $\bar{h}$  = average heat transfer coefficient,  $\text{W/m}^2\text{-}^\circ\text{C}$  $m$  = flow rate = 0.002 kg/s

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 $T_{mi}$  = mean inlet temperature = 25° C $T_{mo}$  = mean outlet temperature = 75° CApply (6.13) at outlet ( $x = L$ ) and solve for  $T_s$ 

$$T_s = \frac{1}{1 - \exp(P\bar{h}L / mc_p)} [T_{mi} - T_m(L) \exp(P\bar{h}L / mc_p)] \quad (a)$$

Properties: at  $\bar{T}_m$ 

$$\bar{T}_m = \frac{T_{mi} + T_{mo}}{2}$$

Perimeter  $P$ 

$$P = \pi D$$

 $D$  = diameter = 1.5 cm = 0.015 m

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Determine  $\bar{h}$  : Compute the Reynolds

$$Re_D = \frac{\bar{u} D}{\nu}$$

$$\bar{u} = \frac{4m}{\rho \pi D^2} \quad (e)$$

Properties: at  $\bar{T}_m$ 

$$\bar{T}_m = \frac{(20 + 80)(^\circ\text{C})}{2} = 50^\circ\text{C}$$

 $c_p = 4182 \text{ J/kg}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$  $k = 0.6405 \text{ W/m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$  $Pr = 3.57$  $\nu = 0.5537 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ 

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$$\rho = 988 \text{ kg/m}^3$$

Use (e)

$$\bar{u} = \frac{4(0.002)(\text{kg/s})}{988(\text{kg/m}^3)\pi(0.015)^2(\text{m}^2)} = 0.01146 \text{ m/s}$$

Use (d) gives

$$Re_D = \frac{0.01146(\text{m/s})0.015(\text{m})}{0.5537 \times 10^{-6}(\text{m}^2/\text{s})} = 310.5, \text{ laminar flow}$$

Determine  $L_h$  and  $L_t$

$$\frac{L_h}{D} = C_h Re_D \quad (6.5)$$

$$\frac{L_t}{D} = C_t Pr Re_D \quad (6.6)$$

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$$C_h = 0.056 \text{ (Table 6.1)}$$

$$C_t = 0.033 \text{ (Table 6.1)}$$

(6.5) and (6.6)

$$L_h = 0.056 \times 0.015 \text{ (m)} \times 310.5 = 0.26 \text{ m}$$

$$L_t = 0.033 \times 0.015 \text{ (m)} \times 310.5 \times 3.57 = 0.55 \text{ m}$$

- $L_h$  and  $L_t$  are not negligible, tube length  $L = 0.8 \text{ m}$
- Use Graetz solution Fig. 6.9 or Table 6.4

Compute  $\xi$

$$\xi = \frac{x/D}{Re_D Pr} \quad (f)$$

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Nusselt number  $\overline{Nu}$  gives  $\bar{h}$

$$\bar{h} = \frac{k}{D} \overline{Nu} \quad (g)$$

(iii) Computation. Evaluating  $\xi$  at  $x = L$

$$\xi = \frac{0.8(\text{m})/0.015(\text{m})}{310.5 \times 3.57} = 0.0481$$

At  $\xi = 0.481$  Fig. 6.9 gives

$$\overline{Nu} \approx 4.6$$

Substitute into (g)

$$\bar{h} = \frac{0.6405(\text{W/m} \cdot ^\circ\text{C})}{0.015(\text{m})} 4.6 = 196.4 \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot ^\circ\text{C}$$

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Equation (a) gives  $T_s$

Compute the exponent of the exponential in (a)

$$\frac{P\bar{h}L}{mc_p} = \frac{\pi(0.015)(m)(196.4(\text{W/m}^2-\text{C})0.8(m))}{0.002(\text{kg/s})4182(\text{J/kg-}^\circ\text{C})} = 0.88524$$

Substitute into (a)

$$T_s = \frac{1}{1 - \exp(0.88524)} [25(^\circ\text{C}) - 75(^\circ\text{C})\exp(0.88524)] = 110.1^\circ\text{C}$$

(iv) Checking. Dimensional check:

Limiting checks:

(i) For  $T_{mi} = T(L)$  (no heating)  $T_s$  should be equal to  $T_{mi}$ .

Set  $T_{mi} = T(L)$  in (a) gives  $T_s = T_{mi}$

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(ii) If  $L = 0$ ,  $T_s$  should be infinite. Set in  $L = 0$  (a) gives  $T_s = \infty$

Quantitative checks:

(i) Approximate check:

Energy added at the surface = Energy gained by water (b)

Let

$\bar{T}_m$  = average water temperature in tube

$$\text{Energy added at surface} = \bar{h}\pi DL(T_s - \bar{T}_m) \quad (i)$$

$$\text{Energy gained by water} = mc_p(T_{mo} - T_{mi}) \quad (j)$$

(j) and (k) into (i), solve for  $T_s$

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$$T_s = \bar{T}_m + \frac{mc_p(T_{mo} - T_{mi})}{\bar{h}\pi DL} \quad (k)$$

(k) gives

$$T_s = 50(^\circ\text{C}) + \frac{0.002(\text{kg/s})4182(\text{J/kg-}^\circ\text{C})(75 - 25)(^\circ\text{C})}{196.4(\text{W/m}^2-\text{C})\pi(0.0155)(m)(0.8)(m)} = 106.5^\circ\text{C}$$

(ii) Compare computed  $\bar{h}$  with Table 1.1

(5) Comments

• Small error is due to reading Fig. 6.9

• Fully developed temperature model:

$$Nu_D = 3.657, \text{ gives } \bar{h} = 156.3 \text{ W/m}^2-\text{C}$$

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**6.8.2 Uniform Surface Heat Flux**

- Repeat Graetz entrance problem with uniform surface heat
- Fully developed inlet velocity
- Laminar flow through tube
- Temperature is developing
- No axial conduction ( $Pe > 100$ )

Energy equation: Same as for Graetz problem

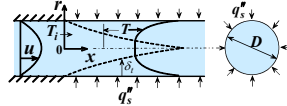


Fig. 6.10

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$$\frac{1}{2}(1-R^2)\frac{\partial\theta}{\partial\xi} = \frac{1}{R}\frac{\partial}{\partial R}\left(R\frac{\partial\theta}{\partial R}\right) \quad (6.62)$$

Boundary conditions:

$$\frac{\partial\theta(\xi,0)}{\partial R} = 0 \quad (6.71a)$$

$$\frac{\partial\theta(\xi,1)}{\partial R} = \frac{q_s^*r_o}{k(T_f - T_s)} \quad (6.71b)$$

$$\theta(0,R) = 1 \quad (6.71c)$$

Analytic solutions: Based on separation of variables

(1) Local Nusselt number

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$$Nu(\xi) = \frac{hx}{k} = \left[ \frac{11}{48} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \exp(-2\beta_n^2\xi) \right]^{-1} \quad (6.72)$$

Table 6.6 lists eigenvalues  $\beta_n^2$  and constant  $A_n$

(2) Average Nusselt number

$$\overline{Nu}(\xi) = \frac{hx}{k} = \left[ \frac{11}{48} - \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \frac{1 - \exp(-2\beta_n^2\xi)}{2\beta_n^2\xi} \right]^{-1} \quad (6.73)$$

Limiting case:

Fully developed: Set  $\xi = \infty$  (6.72) or (6.73)

$$Nu(\infty) = \left( \frac{11}{48} \right)^{-1} = 4.364 \quad (6.74)$$

Same as fully developed result (6.55).

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Graphical results: Fig. 6.11

**Table 6.5**  
**Uniform surface flux [4]**

$n$	$\beta_n^2$	$A_n$
1	25.6796	0.198722
2	83.8618	0.069257
3	174.1667	0.036521
4	296.5363	0.023014
5	450.9472	0.016030
6	637.3874	0.011906
7	855.8495	0.009249
8	1106.3290	0.007427
9	1388.8226	0.006117
10	1703.3279	0.005141

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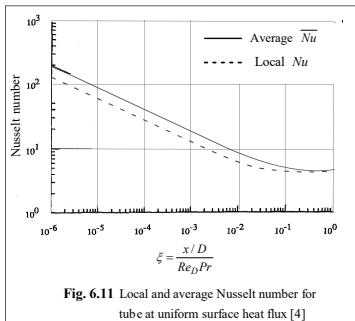
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