

Quiz IV

This is a 50 minute closed-book exam; no notes. Please put your name on the top sheet. Answer all three questions. Explain your working and state any assumptions you have made.

1 (3 points) Circle the correct answer.

1. The design equation for double-pipe heat exchangers

- is independent of the area of the heat exchanger.
- involves the log-mean temperature difference.
- is used in the (ϵ ,NTU) method.
- has a correction factor $F = 0.5$.
- comes from solving the Navier–Stokes equations.

2. The overall heat transfer coefficient U

- only depends on conduction.
- is not used in double-pipe heat exchangers.
- is always determined by experiment.
- is obtained by adding in series convective and conductive resistances.
- is independent of Prandtl number.

3. Heat exchanger effectiveness ϵ

- is the same as taking $F = 1$.
- cannot be used to find tube pass lengths.
- only applies to laminar flows.
- involves the maximum possible heat transfer in the denominator.
- is independent of T_h at the hot inlet.

2 (7 points) Water ($C_p = 1 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot\text{K}$) at 80°C flows through a cross-flow exchanger of area 10 m^2 at a rate of 900 kg/h . Cooling water at 15°C is available. If the water flow rate is 450 kg/h , find the exit temperatures. Take $U = 200 \text{ W/m}^2\cdot\text{K}$.

3 (10 points) Show that for a cylindrical pipe of conductivity k with inner and outer radii r_1 , r_2 , the overall heat transfer coefficient U based on the outer area is

$$U = \left[\frac{1}{h_2} + \frac{r_2}{k} \ln(r_2/r_1) + \frac{r_2}{r_1} \frac{1}{h_1} \right]^{-1},$$

where h_1 and h_2 are the heat transfer coefficients at the inner and outer surfaces.

Carbon tetrachloride (boiling point at 1 atm: 76.7°C ; heat capacity on a molar basis: $c_p = 131.3$ J/mol·K; atomic weights of carbon and chlorine 12 and 35.45 g/mol respectively) is cooled from its boiling point as it flows through a cocurrent heat double-pipe heat exchanger. The pipe is made of stainless steel ($k = 16$ W/m·K) with inner and outer diameters 1.2 and 1.3 cm respectively. Water ($C_p = 1$ kJ/kg·K) at a flow rate of 200 kg/s enters at 25°C and leaves at 40°C . The heat transfer coefficients of the inner and outer surfaces are both 800 W/m²·K and the length of the pipe is 4 m. Calculate the flow rate of carbon tetrachloride and its outlet temperature.

Effectiveness versus number of transfer units: