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B.E./B.Tech. DEGREE EXAMINATIONS, NOV./DEC. 2020
Fifth/Sixth/Seventh Semester
Mechanical Engineering
ME 6502 – HEAT AND MASS TRANSFER
(Common to Mechanical Engineering (Sandwich) Mechanical and
Automation Engineering)
(Regulations 2013)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 100 Marks

Answer ALL questions.

PART – A

(10×2=20 Marks)

1. What are various modes of heat transfer ?
2. What is lumped capacitance analysis ?
3. What is Dittus-Boelter equation ? When does it apply ?
4. Define Grashof number and explain its significance in free convection heat transfer.
5. Give examples for pool boiling and flow boiling.
6. What are fouling factors ?
7. What are the properties of a black body ?
8. Define Radiosity.
9. Distinguish between mass concentration and molar concentration.
10. Give examples for natural and forced mass Transfer.



PART – B

(5×13=65 Marks)

11. a) i) Consider a 1.2 m high and 2 m wide double-pane window consisting of two 3 mm thick layers of glass ($k = 0.78 \text{ W/mK}$) separated by a 12 mm wide stagnant air space ($k = 0.026 \text{ W/mK}$). Determine the steady rate of heat transfer through this double-pane window and the temperature of its inner surface when the room is maintained at 24°C while the temperature of the outdoors is -5°C . Take the convection heat transfer coefficients on the inner and outer surfaces of the window to be $10 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$ and $25 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$ respectively. (7)

ii) Derive the general 3-dimensional heat conduction equation in Cartesian coordinates. (6)

(OR)

b) A cylinder 1 m long and 5 cm in diameter is placed in an atmosphere at 45°C . It is provided with 10 longitudinal straight fins of material having $k = 120 \text{ W/mK}$. The height of 0.76 mm thick fins is 1.27 cm from the cylinder surface. The heat transfer coefficient between cylinder and atmospheric air is $17 \text{ W/m}^2 \text{ K}$. Calculate the rate of heat transfer and the temperature at the end of fins if surface temperature of cylinder is 150°C . (13)

12. a) i) Air at a pressure of 8 kN/m^2 and a temperature of 250°C flows over a flat plate 0.3 m wide and 1 m long at a velocity of 8 m/s. If the plate is to be maintained at a temperature of 78°C estimate the rate of heat to be removed continuously from the plate. (7)

ii) A heated sphere having a diameter of 30 mm is maintained at a temperature of 90°C and is placed in water stream at 20°C . The water flow velocity is 3.5 m/s. Calculate the heat loss from the sphere. (6)

(OR)

b) i) Determine the average heat transfer coefficient over the entire length from a vertical plate of height 2 m to the surrounding air, if it is known that the surface temperature of the plate is 105°C . Assume the ambient temperature is 15°C . (7)

ii) A 10 mm diameter spherical steel ball at 260°C is immersed in air at 90°C . Estimate the rate of convective heat loss. (6)

13. a) i) Hot water enters a counter flow heat exchanger at 95°C . This hot water is used to heat a cool stream of water from 8 to 40°C . The flow rate of the cool water is 1.2 kg/s, and that of the hot water is 2.7 kg/s. The overall heat-transfer coefficient is $850 \text{ W/m}^2\text{C}$. What is the area of the heat exchanger and its effectiveness? (8)

ii) Name and brief the different types of heat exchangers. (5)

(OR)



- b) i) A hot stream is cooled from 120°C to 30°C while the cold stream temperature changes from 20°C to 60°C. Find out the LMTD for both counter current and co-current phenomenon. Justify how counter current is effective than co-current ? (5)
- ii) What is flow boiling and pool boiling ? Describe how heat transfer coefficient m in regimes of pool boiling. (8)

14. a) Assuming the sun (diameter = 1.4×10^9 m) as a black body having a surface temperature of 5750 K and at a mean distance of 15×10^{10} m from the earth (diameter = 12.8×10^6 m). Estimate the following :
- i) Total energy emitted by the sun.
 - ii) The emission received per m^2 just outside the atmosphere of earth.
 - iii) The total energy received by the earth if no radiation is blocked by the atmosphere of the earth. (13)

(OR)

- b) Calculate the net radiant heat exchange per m^2 area for two large parallel plates of temperatures 427°C and 27°C respectively. ϵ (hot plate) = 0.9 and ϵ (cold plate) = 0.6. If a polished aluminium shield is placed between them, find the percentage reduction in the heat transfer if ϵ (shield) = 0.4. (13)

15. a) Two large vessels contain uniform mixture of air and sulphur dioxide at 1 atm and 273 K, but at different concentrations. Vessel 1 contains 80% air and 20% SO_2 by volume or mole percentage whereas vessel 2 contains 30% air and 70% SO_2 by mole percentage. The vessels are connected by a 10 cm inner diameter 1.8 m long pipe. Determine the rate of transfer of air between these two vessels by assuming that a steady state transfer takes place. The mass diffusivity of air – SO_2 mixture at 1 atm and 273 K is 0.122×10^{-4} m^2/s .

(OR)

- b) The water in a 5m × 15m outdoor swimming pool is maintained at a temperature of 27°C. The average temperature and relative humidity are 37°C and 40% respectively. Assuming a wind speed of 2m/s in the direction of the long side of the pool, estimate the mass transfer coefficient for the evaporation of water from the pool surface and the rate of evaporation in kg/day.



PART – C

(1×15=15 Marks)

16. a) A uniform sheathing of plastic insulation ($k = 0.18 \text{ W/m}^\circ\text{C}$) is applied to an electric cable of 8 mm diameter. The convective heat transfer coefficient on the surface of bare cable as well as insulated cable was estimated as $12.5 \text{ W/(m}^2\text{C)}$ and a surface temperature of 45°C was observed when the cable was directly exposed to ambient air 20°C . Determine :
- the thickness of insulation to keep the wire as cool as possible and
 - the surface temperature of insulated cable if the intensity of current flowing through the conductor remains unchanged.

(OR)

- b) Air is to be heated by passing it over a bank of 3 m long tubes inside which steam is condensing at 100°C . Air approaches the tube bank in the normal direction at 20°C and 1 atm with a mean velocity of 5.2 m/s. The outer diameter of the tubes is 1.6 cm, and the tubes are arranged staggered with longitudinal and transverse pitches of 4 cm. There are 20 rows in the flow direction with 10 tubes in each row. Determine the rate of heat transfer and the rate of condensation of steam inside the tubes.
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