

1. (25 points) Consider a composite slab composed of a layer of plastic bonded to a layer of copper. The thickness of the plastic layer is 15 mm while that of the copper layer is 10 mm . The cross-sectional area of the slab is 100 cm^2 . There is contact resistance at the plastic-Cu interface due to the bonding. During testing, the plastic side is subjected to a hot fluid stream at $T_{\infty 1} = 400\text{ K}$ and a heat transfer coefficient of $200\text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$. The copper side is subjected to surrounding air at temperature $T_{\infty 2} = 300\text{ K}$, with a heat transfer coefficient of $100\text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$.

You are also given the following data:

Thermal contact conductance at plastic-Cu interface = $420\text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$.

$k_{\text{plastic}} = 2\text{ W/mK}$; $k_{\text{cu}} = 400\text{ W/mK}$

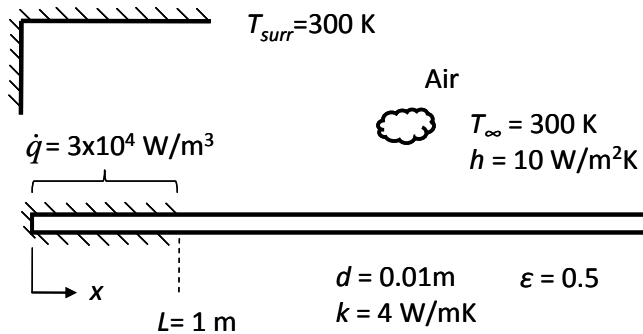
(a) Draw a thermal circuit for the composite showing all relevant thermal resistances and their numerical values.



(b) What is the drop in temperature across the plastic-Cu interface in K (i.e. the temperature drop across the contact resistance)?

$\Delta T_{\text{interface}} =$ <div style="float: right; margin-right: 20px;">K</div>

2. (35 Points) A very long circular rod of 0.01m diameter and thermal conductivity $k = 4\text{ W/mK}$ is placed in a large enclosure. A small portion of the rod ($0 \leq x \leq L$) is perfectly insulated and experiences uniform heat generation, $\dot{q} = 3 \times 10^4\text{ W/m}^3$. The rod loses heat by convection and radiation, as shown. The rod has a gray surface with emissivity $\epsilon = 0.5$ and is located in surroundings at $T_{surr} = 300\text{K}$. The convective heat transfer coefficient is $h = 10\text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$, and the environment temperature is also 300K .



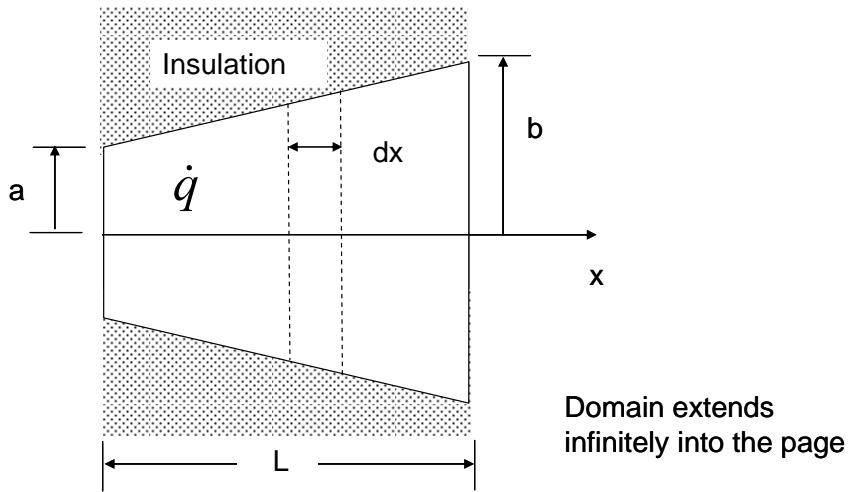
- (i) Determine the heat flux q''_b at $x=L$ in W/m^2 .

- (ii) Find the effective heat transfer coefficient h_{rad} in $\text{W/m}^2\text{K}$. Evaluate it at an approximate surface temperature $T_s = 400\text{ K}$. You may use this quantity in the analysis for part (iii).

- (iii) Find the temperature T_b at $x=L$ in $^\circ\text{K}$.

- (iv) Find the fin effectiveness ϵ_f .

3. (40 Points) Consider steady 1D heat conduction in the trapezoidal domain shown below. The domain extends infinitely into the page. There is a constant volumetric heat generation rate \dot{q} in the domain.



The half-width of the domain at $x=0$ is a , and that at $x=L$ is b as shown. The temperature at $x=0$ is T_0 , while that at $x=L$ is T_L . The thermal conductivity of the material is k and may be assumed constant.

- (i) Consider an infinitesimal control volume of extent dx as shown. Write an energy balance for the control volume to develop a differential equation for the heat transfer rate $q_x(x)$. State all assumptions clearly.

- (ii) Now, using Fourier's law, develop a differential equation for the temperature $T(x)$.

- (iii) Write down the boundary conditions necessary to solve the $T(x)$ differential equation. **DO NOT SOLVE THE EQUATION.**

BASIC EQUATION SHEET

Conservation Laws

Control Volume Energy Balance: $\dot{E}_{in} - \dot{E}_{out} + \dot{E}_{gen} = \dot{E}_{st}$; $\dot{E}_{st} = mC_p \frac{dT}{dt}$; $\dot{E}_{gen} = \dot{q}V$

Surface Energy Balance: $\dot{E}_{in} - \dot{E}_{out} = 0$

Conduction

Fourier's Law: $q''_{cond,x} = -k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x}$; $q''_{cond,n} = -k \frac{\partial T}{\partial n}$; $q_{cond} = q''_{cond} A$

Heat Flux Vector: $\vec{q}'' = q''_x \vec{i} + q''_y \vec{j} + q''_z \vec{k} = -k \left[\frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \vec{i} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \vec{j} + \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \vec{k} \right]$

Heat Diffusion Equation:

Rectangular Coordinates: $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left(k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left(k \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(k \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) + \dot{q} = \rho C_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$

Cylindrical Coordinates: $\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(kr \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \left(k \frac{\partial T}{\partial \phi} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(k \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) + \dot{q} = \rho C_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$

Spherical Coordinates:

$\frac{1}{r^2} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(kr^2 \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \phi} \left(k \frac{\partial T}{\partial \phi} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left(k \sin \theta \frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} \right) + \dot{q} = \rho C_p \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$

Thermal Diffusivity: $\alpha = \frac{k}{\rho C_p}$

Thermal Resistance Concepts:

Conduction Resistance: $R_{t,cond}^{plane\ wall} = \frac{L}{kA}$; $R_{t,cond}^{cylinder} = \frac{\ln(r_o/r_i)}{2\pi lk}$; $R_{t,cond}^{sphere} = \frac{(1/r_i) - (1/r_o)}{4\pi k}$

Convection Resistance: $R_{t,conv}^{plane\ wall} = \frac{1}{h_{conv} A}$; $R_{t,conv}^{cylinder} = \frac{1}{2\pi r l h_{conv}}$; $R_{t,conv}^{sphere} = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2 h_{conv}}$

Radiation Resistance: $R_{t,rad}^{plane\ wall} = \frac{1}{h_{rad} A}$; $R_{t,rad}^{cylinder} = \frac{1}{2\pi r l h_{rad}}$; $R_{t,rad}^{sphere} = \frac{1}{4\pi r^2 h_{rad}}$

Combined Convection and Radiation Surface: $\frac{1}{R_{conv+rad}} = \frac{1}{R_{t,conv}} + \frac{1}{R_{t,rad}}$

Contact Resistance: $R_{t,contact} = \frac{1}{h_{contact} A_{contact}}$

Thermal Energy Generation: $T(x) - T_s^{plane\ wall} = \frac{\dot{q} L^2}{2k} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{L^2} \right)$; $T(r) - T_s^{cylinder} = \frac{\dot{q} r_o^2}{4k} \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{r_o^2} \right)$

Extended Surfaces (fins with constant area of cross-section only):

$$\theta = T - T_\infty$$

$$\text{Convective Tip: } \frac{\theta(x)}{\theta_b} = \frac{\cosh[m(L-x)] + (h/mk)\sinh[m(L-x)]}{\cosh(mL) + (h/mk)\sinh(mL)}$$

$$q_{fin} = (hPkA_c)^{1/2} \theta_b \frac{\sinh(mL) + (h/mk)\cosh(mL)}{\cosh(mL) + (h/mk)\sinh(mL)}$$

$$\text{Adiabatic Tip: } \frac{\theta(x)}{\theta_b} = \frac{\cosh[m(L-x)]}{\cosh(mL)}; q_{fin} = (hPkA_c)^{1/2} \theta_b \tanh(mL)$$

$$\text{Prescribed Tip Temperature: } \frac{\theta(x)}{\theta_b} = \frac{(\theta_L/\theta_b)\sinh(mx) + \sinh[m(L-x)]}{\sinh(mL)}$$

$$q_{fin} = (hPkA_c)^{1/2} \theta_b \frac{\cosh(mL) - (\theta_L/\theta_b)}{\sinh(mL)}$$

$$\text{Infinitely Long Fin: } \frac{\theta(x)}{\theta_b} = e^{-mx}; q_{fin} = (hPkA_c)^{1/2} \theta_b$$

$$m^2 = \frac{hP}{kA_c}; \theta_b = T_b - T_\infty; q_{fin} = q_{conv, finsurface} + q_{conv, tip}; q_{conv, tip} = hA_c\theta_L$$

$$\text{Fin Effectiveness: } \varepsilon_{fin} = \frac{q_{fin}}{hA_{c,b}\theta_b}; \varepsilon_{fin} = \frac{R_{t,conv-base}}{R_{t,cond-fin}}$$

$$\text{Fin Efficiency: } \eta_{fin} = \frac{q_{fin}}{hA_{fin}\theta_b}; \eta_{fin}^{adiabatic} = \frac{\tanh(mL)}{mL}; L_c = L + \frac{A_c}{P}; \eta_{fin} = \frac{\tanh(mL_c)}{mL_c}$$

$$\eta_o = \frac{q_{total}}{hA_{total}\theta_b} = 1 - \frac{NA_{fin}}{A_{total}}(1 - \eta_{fin}); R_{t,cond-fin} = \frac{1}{\eta_{fin}hA_{fin}}; R_{t,cond-fin array} = \frac{1}{\eta_o hA_{total}}$$

Convection

$$\text{Newton's Law of Cooling: } q_{conv}'' = h_{conv}(T_s - T_\infty); q_{conv} = q_{conv}''A$$

Radiation

$$\text{Emissive power} = E = \varepsilon\sigma T_s^4$$

$$\text{Irradiation received by surface from large surroundings: } G = \sigma T_{surr}^4$$

$$\text{Irradiation absorbed by surface} = \alpha G$$

$$\text{Reflected irradiation: } \rho G$$

$$\text{Gray surface: } \varepsilon = \alpha$$

$$\text{Opaque surface: } \alpha + \rho = 1$$

Radiative heat flux from a gray surface at T_s to a large surroundings at T_{surr} :

$$q_{rad}'' = \varepsilon\sigma(T_s^4 - T_{surr}^4) = h_{rad}(T_s - T_{surr})$$

$$h_{rad} = \varepsilon\sigma(T_s^2 + T_{surr}^2)(T_s + T_{surr})$$

Useful Constants

$$\sigma = \text{Stefan-Boltzmann's Constant} = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2 \text{K}^4}$$

Geometry

$$\text{Cylinder: } A = 2\pi r l; V = \pi r^2 l$$

$$\text{Sphere: } A = 4\pi r^2; V = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$$