

Module 3:

“Convective” heat and mass transfer

Lecture 29:

Convective Transport in channels

Flow in pipes: cylindrical axis-symmetric (no θ) geometry

The assumptions are: constant properties, Newtonian fluid, no viscous dissipation

Four categories

- I.** Velocity and Temperature profiles both developing. Need to keep inertia terms in N-S equations.
- II.** V and T profiles both fully developed: solve for V and insert to find T profile. Analytical solution possible depending on B.C.
- III.** Fully developed V, developing T
- IV.** Fully developed T, developing V (plug flow)

(Fully developed means only profile shape is invariant with z, but absolute value of dependant variable may change with z)

Two limiting boundary conditions at the pipe wall

$T = \text{const.}$ or $\frac{\partial T}{\partial r} = \text{const.}$ (constant heat flux)

$$\text{Flow-average or Cup-Mixing temperature } \frac{\langle v_z T \rangle}{\langle v_z \rangle} = \frac{\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R v_z(r) T(r) r \, dr \, d\theta}{\int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^R v_z(r) r \, dr \, d\theta} = T_M$$

This is the temperature one would measure if the tube were chopped off at z and if the fluid issuing forth were collected in a container and thoroughly mixed.

Case (I). This case will not be examined.

Case (II).
$$\frac{T_0 - T}{T_0 - T_M} = f(r); \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left(\frac{T_0 - T}{T_0 - T_M} \right) = 0$$

(not a function of z ;
as ratio is not a function of z)

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{\partial T_0}{\partial z} - \frac{T_0 - T}{T_0 - T_M} \frac{dT_0}{dz} + \frac{T_0 - T}{T_0 - T_M} \frac{dT_M}{dz} \quad (1)$$

Case (II-1): Constant wall heat flux q_0 ;

Examples

1. Electrical heating
2. Heating by radiation
3. Special kind of heat exchangers

Define heat transfer coefficient by $q_0 = h(T_0 - T_M) = \text{Const.}$

Indeed $h = \text{Const.}$ (since fully developed temperature profile, hence no change of slope of temperature profile at the wall)

Since $(T_0 - T_M) = \text{Const.}$

$$\frac{dT_0}{dz} = \frac{\partial T_M}{\partial z} \Rightarrow \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{dT_0}{dz} = \frac{dT_M}{dz}$$

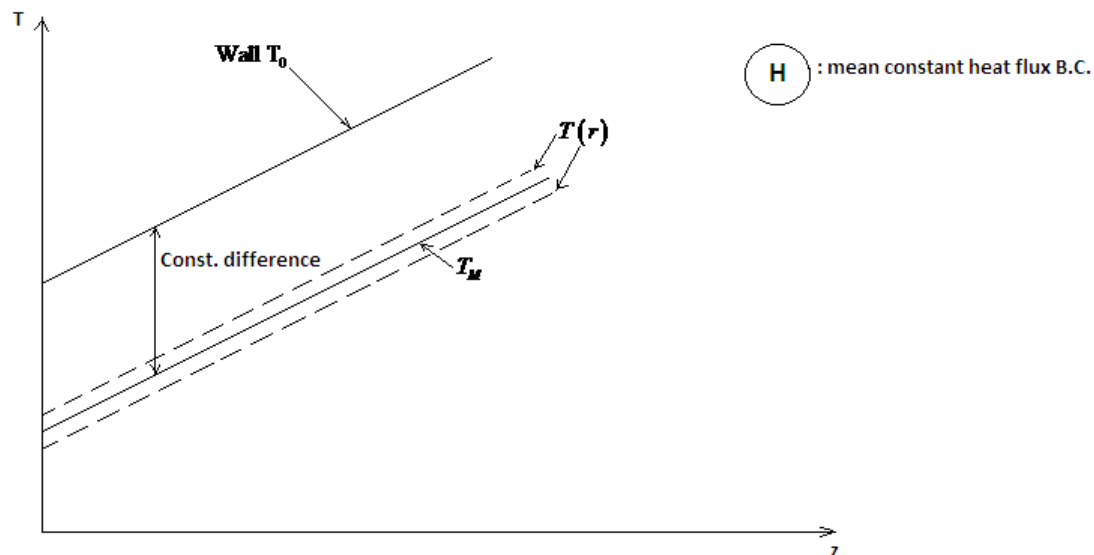
Another way of arriving at $\frac{dT_M}{dz} = \text{Const.}$ Use overall energy balance

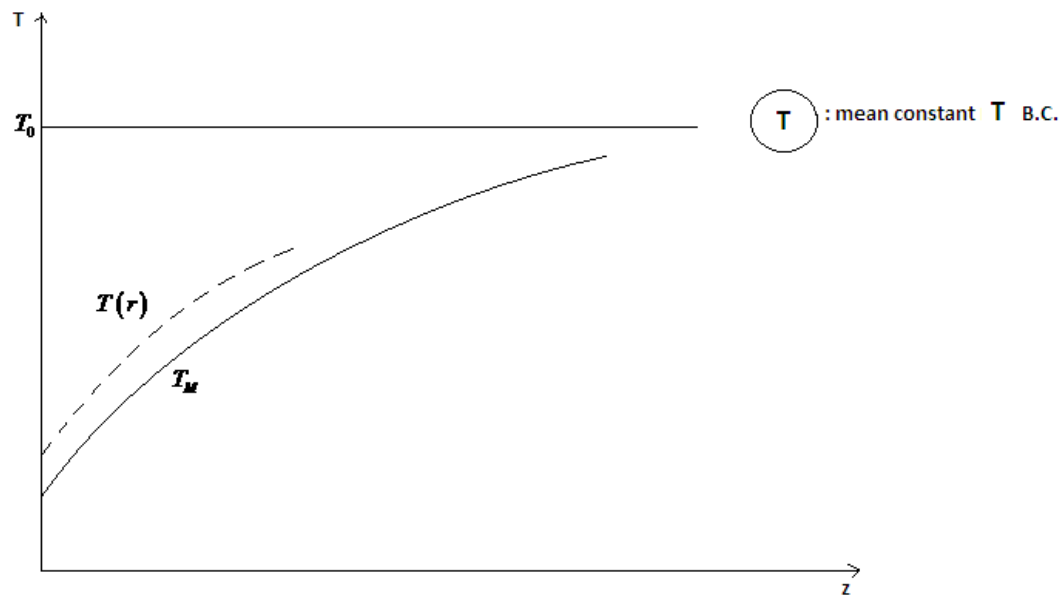
$$C_p A \rho \langle v_z \rangle T_M \big|_{z=z} - C_p A \rho \langle v_z \rangle T_M \big|_{z=z+\Delta z} + q_0 (2\pi R) \Delta z = 0$$

$$q_0 = \frac{\rho \langle v_z \rangle C_p R}{2} \frac{dT_M}{dz} \quad (2)$$

$$\frac{dT_M}{dz} = \text{Const.}$$

Expected T profiles for fully developed V and T





In both cases $\theta = \frac{T_0 - T}{T_0 - T_M} = f(r)$ only and does not depend on z .

Governing PDE (neglect axial diffusion)

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{v_z}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{v_z}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T_M}{\partial z}$$

$$\text{with } v_z = 2 \langle v_z \rangle \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{R^2} \right)$$

Direct integration yields

$$T = T_0 - \frac{2 \langle v_z \rangle}{\alpha} \left(\frac{dT_M}{dz} \right) \left(\frac{3}{16} R^2 + \frac{r^4}{16 R^2} - \frac{r^2}{4} \right)$$

$$T_M = T_0 - \frac{11}{96} \frac{2\langle v_z \rangle}{\alpha} \left(\frac{dT_M}{dz} \right) R^2 \text{ and } q_0 = h(T_0 - T_M)$$

$$q_0 = h \frac{11}{96} \frac{2\langle v_z \rangle}{\alpha} \left(\frac{dT_M}{dz} \right) R^2. \text{ But we also have eqn. (2)}$$

$$\text{Thus } Nu = \frac{h(2R)}{K} = 4.364 \text{ for } \{(H) \text{ and fully developed T and V profiles}\} \text{ Case (II-2): Constant}$$

T₀ at the pipe wall

Then from eqn. (1)

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial z} = \frac{T_0 - T}{T_0 - T_M} \frac{dT_M}{dz} \text{ and PDE becomes}$$

$$\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} \right) = \frac{2\langle v_z \rangle}{\alpha} \left(1 - \frac{r^2}{R^2} \right) \frac{T_0 - T}{T_0 - T_M} \left(\frac{dT_M}{dz} \right)$$

Solve numerically by successive substitution.

The asymptotic $Nu = 3.658$

Summary of the Results

Asymptotic Nu (Fully developed T)

Parabolic v_z , (H) 4.36

Parabolic v_z , (T) 3.66

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Plug flow, (H) 8.0

Plug flow, (T) 5.86

How long does it take for fully developed (Laminar flow)?

Velocity profile: $\frac{z}{d} > 0.05 \text{ Re}$

Where d is the tube diameter and z is the entrance length

Re is based on the tube diameter

Temperature profile: $\frac{z}{d} > 0.05 \text{ Re Pr}$

Concentration profile: $\frac{z}{d} > 0.05 \text{ Re Sc}$

Example: assume water $\text{Re} = 100$, $\text{Pr} = 7$, $\text{Sc} = 1000$

Then $\frac{z}{d} > 5$ for velocity

$\frac{z}{d} > 35$ for temperature

$\frac{z}{d} > 5000$ for concentration

Skelland correlation for fully developed V, but developing T for constant wall temperature
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$$Nu = 3.66 + \frac{0.0668 \frac{d}{z} Re Pr}{1 + 0.04 \left[\frac{d}{z} Re Pr \right]^{2/3}} \quad (3)$$

For $\frac{z}{d} > 0.05 Re Pr$; Nu approaches 3.66

For mass transfer replace Nu by Sh and Pr by Sc

Lewis number is given by $Le = \frac{Sc}{Pr}$. If $Le \sim 1$, temperature and concentration boundary layer are of the same thickness.