ME 323 Sample Final Exam. 120pts total

True/False. Circle the correct answer. (1pt each, 7pts total)

1. A solid angle of 2π steradians defines a hemispherical shell. T F

2. The Earth irradiates the Sun. T F

3. Radiation doesn't occur in materials that are transparent such as gases. T F

4. Both natural and forced convection must be considered when designing thermal system inside the crew quarters of a Space Station. T F

5. The Rayleigh number (Ra) is to natural convection problems as the Reynolds number (Re) is to forced convection problems. T F

6. Significant natural convection occurs only when temperature gradients are perpendicular to the direction of gravity. T $\,$ F $\,$

7. Snow reflects more of the suns radiation than it absorbs which explains why it appears white. T $\,$ F $\,$

Short Answer. In your own words...(pts indicated)

8. Identify 4 factors that effect the radiation between surfaces. (4pts)

9. From a purely heat transfer perspective, describe the heat of a teakettle on a gas fired stove. (4pts)

10. What is radiosity and the difference between spectral and total radiosity? (3pts)

11. A spinning cylindrical pot of oil is heated from above. Would you expect natural convection to play a role in the heating process? Explain. (3pts)

12. For convective heat transfer problems, give 3 reasons why is it important to know whether the flow is laminar or turbulent? (3pts)

13. You are sitting in a chair on your back porch (which is attached to your house) in the summer. Provide at least 3 reasons why it seems brighter/hotter there than out in lawn, or at the same place during a different season, say, autumn. (3pts)

14. What does diffuse gray surface imply? (3pts)

longer problems

15. (10 pts) The Nusselt number (Nu_x) defined at x for forced flow over a flat plate is given by

$$Nu_x = 0.332 \operatorname{Re}_x^{1/2} \operatorname{Pr}^{1/3}$$
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Using this relationship compute the average Nusselt number (Nu_L) for the plate over the region of the plate identified by $0 \le x \le L$.

16. (8 pts) Compute the view factors F_{12} and F_{21} for the triangular cylinder.



17. Q = 50W are transferred through an enclosure. The dimensions of the enclosure are sketched below and the process takes place at approximately room temperature. The ideal gas in the enclosure has $Pr = v/\alpha = 1$ ($\alpha = v = 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$).

A. (20pts) Compute the temperature difference across the enclosure. ($k_{gas} = 0.026$ W/mK, $\beta = 1/300$ K, $c_p = 1000$ J/kgK, $\rho = 0.001$ kg/m³)

B. (5pts) Can your solution be verified?



Ideal gas enclosure

18. (20 pts) A water-water co-flow, parallel flow shell and tube heat exchanger has an inner tube ID of 0.005m with 0.001m wall thickness and an outer tube ID of 0.01m with 0.001m wall thickness. The flow rates in the two tubes are equal ($\dot{m} = 0.2$ kg/s, $c_p = 4181$ J/kgK) with inlet hot (tube, core) and cold (shell, outside) temperatures of 100C and 20C, respectively. The exit temperature of the cold water flow is 35C.

A. Assume no loss to the surroundings, what is the heat transport of the heat exchanger?

B. What is the exit temperature of the (tube side) hot water?

C. Draw/label the temperature profiles as a function of tube length for hot and cold flows.

D. What is the overall product UA per length of tube for this HX?

E. The tubes are made of copper (k = 400W/mK), and the tube side and shell side HTCs are approximately equal of $h_i = h_o = 100W/m^2K$. What is the tube length?

F. (4pts extra credit) Why or why not does your answer for tube length seem reasonable?

19. A high tech /high temperature grill $T_g = 1000$ K is used for flash food frying. A crude schematic is provided below. A backsplash for the grill also serves as a radiation shield. Because the high surface temperature of the grill it is assumed that radiation is the dominant mode of heat loss to the surroundings, which is assumed to be $T_{amb} = 300$ K. The surfaces is coated with an enamel that produces diffuse gray surfaces, $\varepsilon = 0.8$.



A. (20pts) Assuming uniform surface temperatures, what is the maximum heat that the grill will dissipate if the backsplash is to be maintained at $T_b = 600$ K? Assume also that $\varepsilon_g = \varepsilon_b = 0.8$.

B. (7pts) Describe with some detail why and how you would access the accuracy of the simplifying assumption of purely radiation heat transfer made in problem A. above?

Equations/Relations.....

Nusselt number relations for various flow scenarios in circular tubes $Nu_D = 3.66$, laminar, constant wall temperature $Nu_D = 4.36$, laminar, constant wall heat flux $Nu_D = 0.0243 \text{ Re}^{4/5} \text{ Pr}^{0.4}$, turbulent, heating, Pr > 0.6 $Nu_D = 0.0265 \text{ Re}^{4/5} \text{ Pr}^{0.3}$, turbulent, cooling, Pr > 0.6 Natural convection Graybody thermal resistance model

$$q_{ij} = \frac{\sigma(T_i^4 - T_j^4)}{\frac{1 - \varepsilon_i}{\varepsilon_i A_i} + \frac{1}{A_i F_{ij}} + \frac{1 - \varepsilon_j}{\varepsilon_j A_j}}$$