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Answer all questions. The marks are given on the left margin in the box  
Wherever necessary, make suitable assumptions and state them clearly

- 10 1. An electrically heated sphere with a diameter  $D = 6$  cm is exposed to ambient air at a temperature of  $25^\circ\text{C}$  and a heat transfer coefficient of  $20 \text{ W/m}^2\cdot\text{K}$ . The surface of the sphere is to be maintained at  $125^\circ\text{C}$ . Calculate the heat transfer rate from the sphere to the air when
- the sphere is bare and
  - the sphere is covered with a layer of insulation ( $k_{ins} = 1.0 \text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K}$ ) having a radius corresponding to that of critical radius for sphere.
- 10 2. The inner and outer radii of a hollow cylinder are 5 cm and 10 cm, respectively. The inner surface of the cylinder is maintained at a temperature of  $300^\circ\text{C}$ , while the outer surface is at a temperature of  $100^\circ\text{C}$ . The thermal conductivity of the cylinder material varies over the range of  $100^\circ\text{C} < T < 300^\circ\text{C}$  as  $k(T) = 0.5[1.0 + 10^{-3}T]$ , where  $T$  is in  $^\circ\text{C}$  and  $k(T)$  is in  $\text{W/m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$ . Find the heat transfer rate per unit length of the cylinder.
- 10 3. Two very long and slender rods of same diameter are given. One rod is made of aluminium ( $k_1 = 200 \text{ W/m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$ ). The other rod is made of an unknown material whose  $k$ -value ( $k_2$ ) is to be determined. To find the thermal conductivity ( $k_2$ ) of the unknown material, one end of each rod is thermally attached to a metallic surface that is maintained at a constant temperature  $T_0$ . Both the rods lose heat by convection to surrounding air at  $T_\infty$ . The surface temperature of each rod is measured at various distances from the metallic surface. Measurements show that the temperature of the aluminium rod at a distance of 40 cm from the metallic surface is same as that of the rod of unknown material at a distance of 25 cm from the metallic surface. Determine
- the thermal conductivity  $k_2$  of the rod made of unknown material, and
  - ratio of heat transfer rates from aluminium rod and the rod of unknown material.
- 15 4. Heat is generated at a constant rate of  $q_g \text{ W/m}^3$  in a thin cylindrical rod of length  $L$  and diameter  $D$  by the passage of electrical current. The two ends of the rod ( $x=0$  and  $x=L$ ) are maintained at constant temperatures of  $T_0$  ( $^\circ\text{C}$ ) and  $0^\circ\text{C}$ , respectively, while heat is transferred from the lateral surface of the rod by convection into surrounding air that is at  $0^\circ\text{C}$ . The convective heat transfer coefficient is  $h$ . Find an expression for temperature distribution  $T(x)$  in the rod.
- 10 5. A 5cm diameter copper sphere [ $k=372 \text{ W/m}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\alpha=11.2 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ ] is initially at a uniform temperature of  $200^\circ\text{C}$ . It is suddenly exposed to an environment at  $20^\circ\text{C}$  having heat transfer coefficient  $h=28 \text{ W/m}^2\cdot^\circ\text{C}$ .
- Using the lumped-capacity method of analysis, calculate the time required for the sphere to reach  $90^\circ\text{C}$ .
  - Is the lumped-capacity method of analysis justified for this case?

- 15 6. An infinite plate having thickness  $2L$  is initially at a uniform temperature of  $T_i$  and the surface of the plate is suddenly lowered to  $T_w$ . The material of the plate has thermal diffusivity  $\alpha$  and thermal conductivity  $k$ .

- (a) Find the temperature distribution in the plate after time  $t$  using separation of variables technique.  
(b) What is the cumulative heat loss from the plate at time  $t$ ?

Express all the results in dimensionless form.

- 10 7. Calculate the heat transfer from a 20cm X 20 cm square plate over which air flows at 300K at 1 atm pressure. The plate temperature is 340K, and the free stream velocity is 10m/s. The properties of air are  $\nu = 18.2 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$ ,  $k = 0.028 \text{ W/m}^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $\text{Pr}=0.7$ .