



# FINS: EXTENDED SURFACES (CLICK)

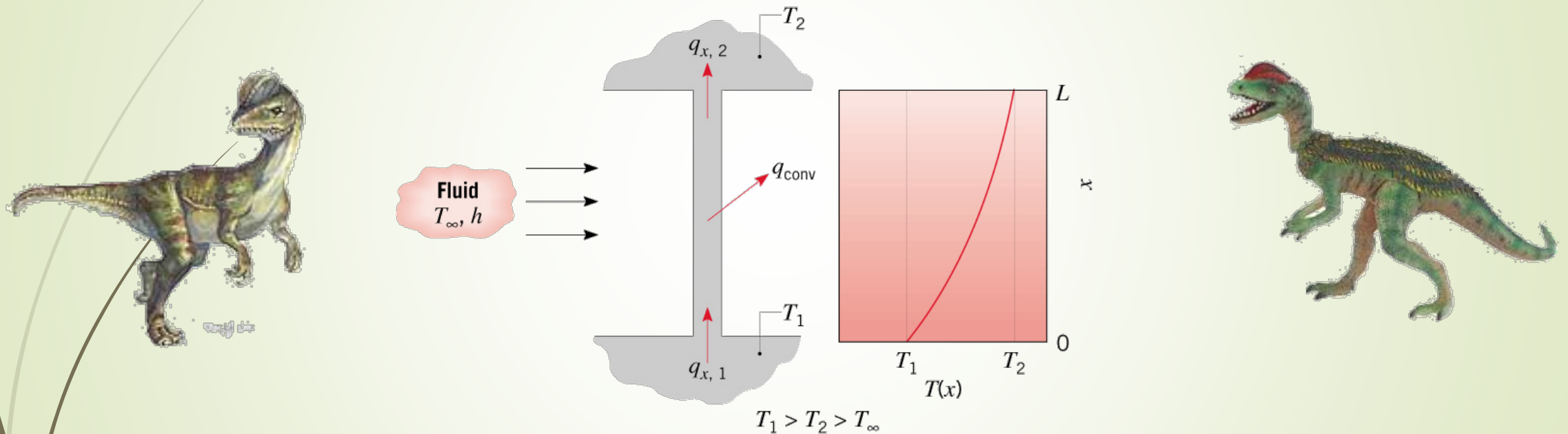
MECH-420 Heat Transfer

Section 3.6

# NATURE AND RATIONALE OF EXTENDED SURFACES

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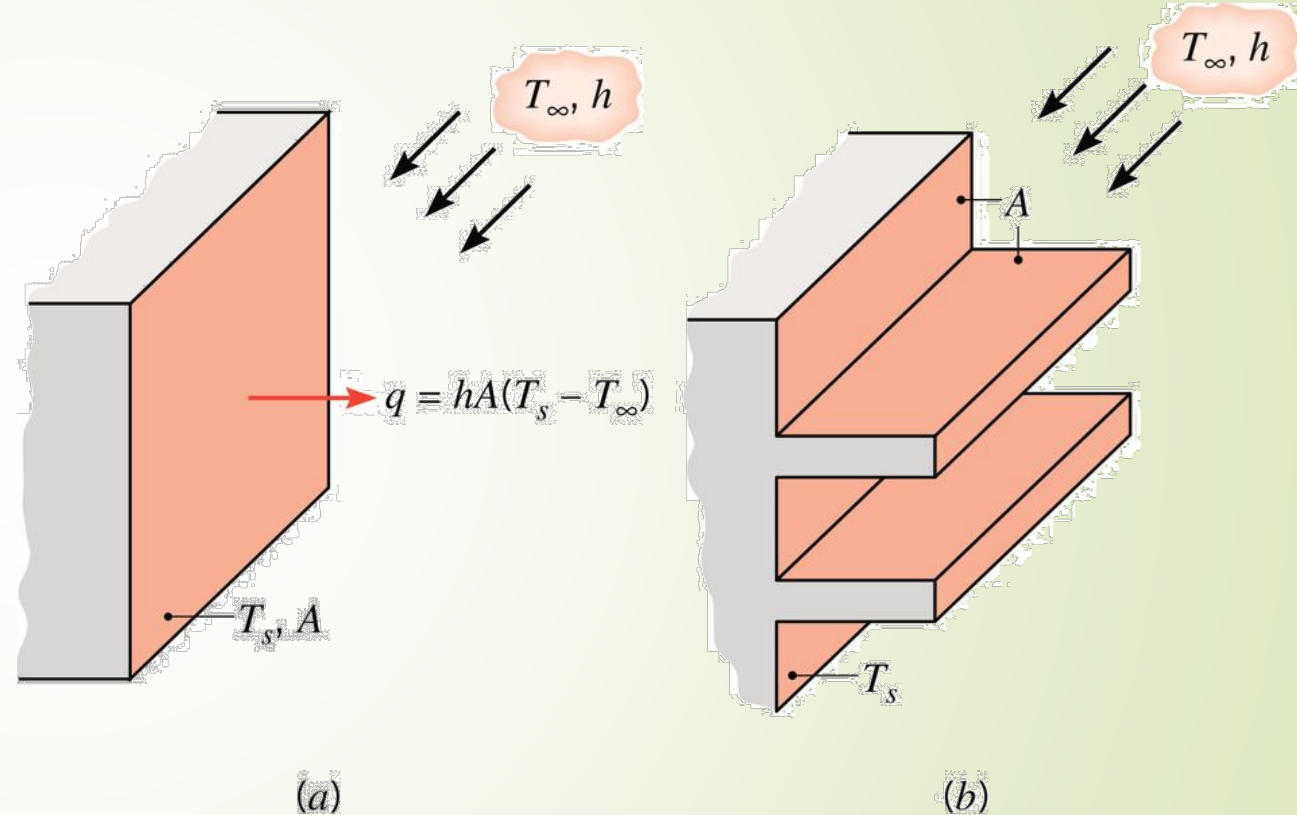
- An extended surface (also known as a **combined conduction-convection system** or a **FIN**) is a solid within which heat transfer by conduction is *assumed* to be **one dimensional**, while heat is also transferred by **CONVECTION** (and/or radiation) from the surface in a direction **TRANSVERSE** to that of **CONDUCTION**.

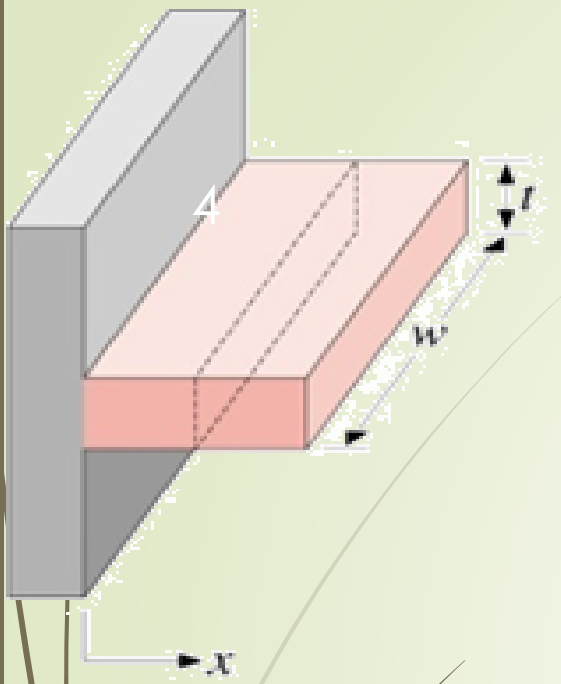


- If heat is transferred from the surface to the fluid **by convection**, what surface condition is dictated by the **conservation of energy** requirement?
- Why is heat transfer by conduction in the  $x$ -direction **not, in fact**, one-dimensional?

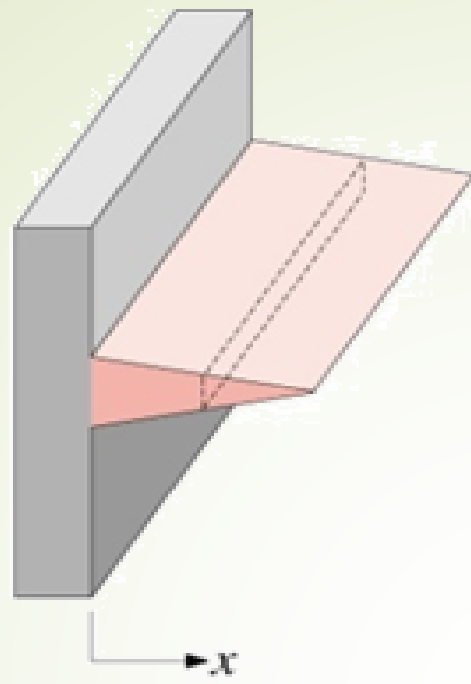
# DEFINITION

- Extended surfaces enhance heat transfer by increasing the surface **AREA** available or **CONVECTION** (and/or radiation).
- Convection requires higher “h” and maybe a larger fan or pump, and thus more external work.

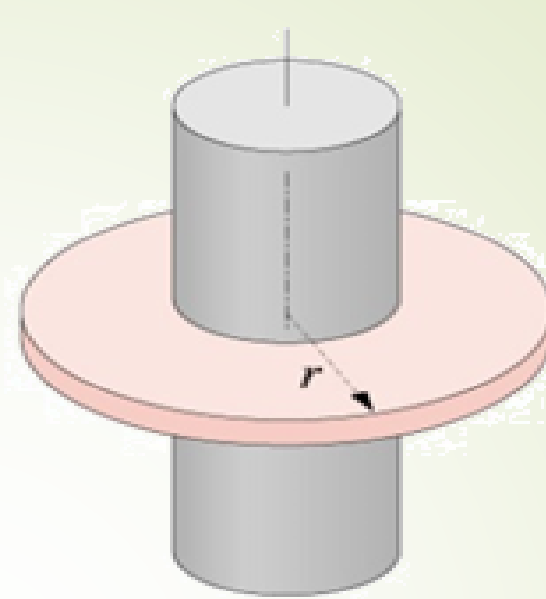




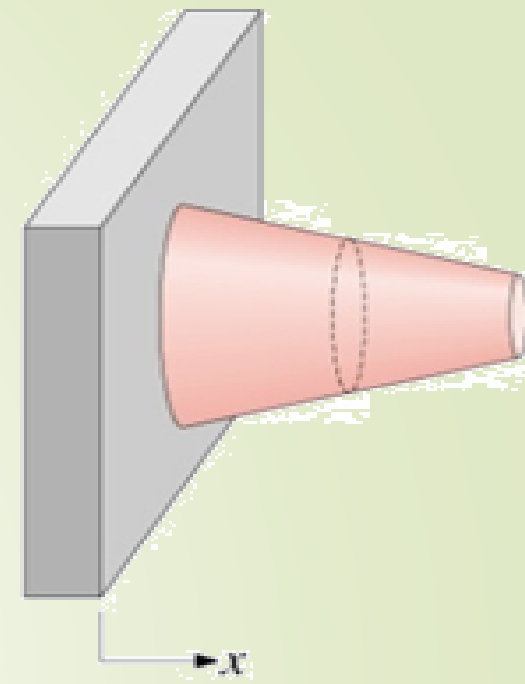
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# Fin Configurations Definitions

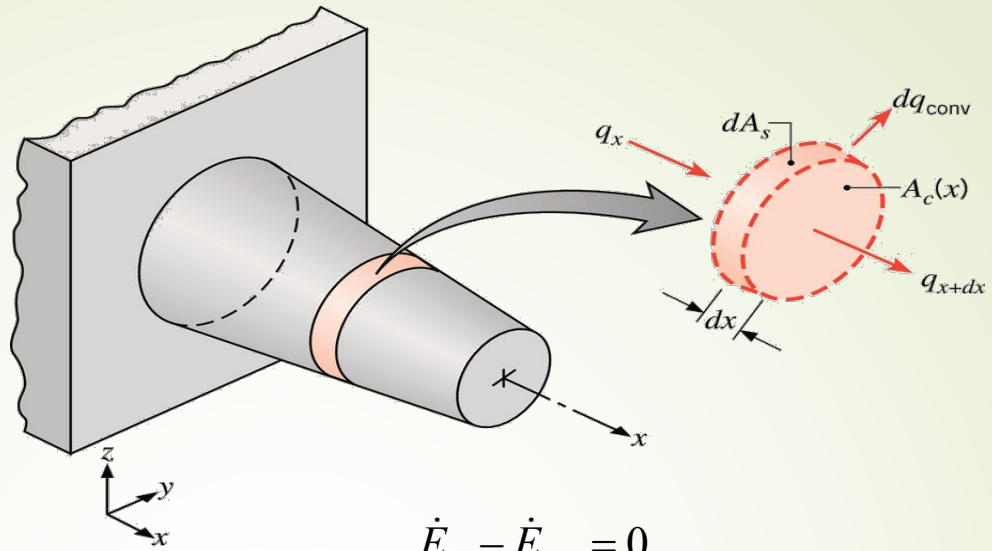
- a) **STRAIGHT** fin of **UNIFORM** cross section.
- b) **STRAIGHT** fin of **NON-UNIFORM** cross section.
- c) **ANNULAR** Fin of **UNIFORM** cross section.
- d) **PIN** Fin of **NON-UNIFORM** cross section.

Very good for small "h" with a gas or Free Natural Convection

# ANALYSIS OBJECTIVES

- What is the actual functional dependence of the temperature distribution in the solid?
- If the temperature distribution is assumed to be one-dimensional, that is,  $T=T(x)$  , how should the value of  $T$  be interpreted for any  $x$  location?
- How does **HEAT TRANSFER** vary with  $x$  ?
- When may the assumption of one-dimensional conduction be viewed as an excellent approximation? i.e. **THE THIN FIN APPROXIMATION.**

# STEADY STATE ANALYSIS



$$q'' = -k \frac{dT}{dx}$$

$$\dot{E}_{in} - \dot{E}_{out} = 0$$

$$\dot{E}_{in} = q''_x A_x, \dot{E}_{out} = q''_{x+dx} A_x + \frac{d}{dx} (q''_x A_x) dx + h dA_s (T(x) - T_\infty)$$

$$\dot{E}_{in} - \dot{E}_{out} \rightarrow$$

$$-\frac{d}{dx} (q''_x A_x) dx - h dA_s (T(x) - T_\infty) = 0, dA_s = P dx$$

For Fins of CONSTANT CROSS SECTION,  $A_x \neq F(x)$

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} - \frac{hP}{k_x A_c} (T(x) - T_\infty) = 0; P \equiv \text{Perimeter}$$

$$\text{let } \theta(x) = T(x) - T_\infty, m^2 = \frac{hP}{k_x A_c}$$

$$\frac{d^2 \theta}{dx^2} - m^2 \theta = 0 \rightarrow \text{THIN FIN EQUATION}$$

# Straight and PIN Fins of UNIFORM CROSS SECTION

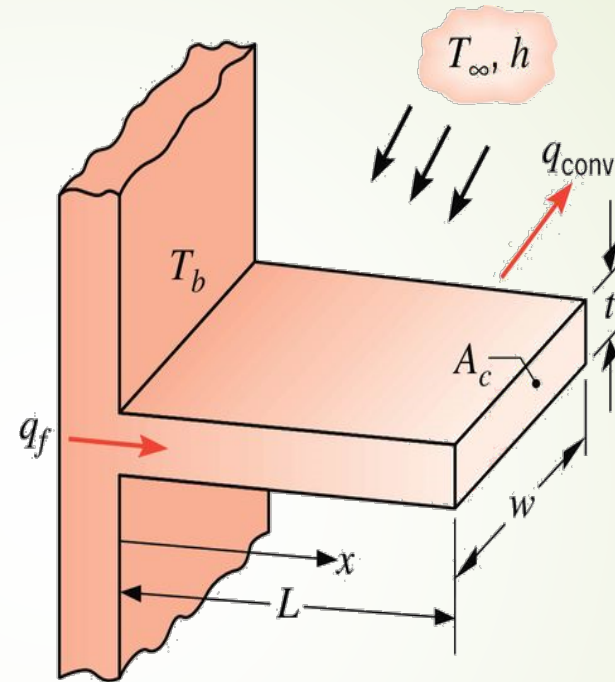
$$\frac{d^2\theta}{dx^2} - m^2\theta = 0 \rightarrow \text{THIN FIN EQUATION}$$

$$m^2 = \frac{hP}{k_x A_c}, M = \left(\sqrt{hPk_x A_c}\right) \theta_B; \theta_B = T_B - T_\infty$$

SOLUTION

$$\theta(x) = T(x) - T_\infty = C_1 e^{mx} + C_2 e^{-mx}$$

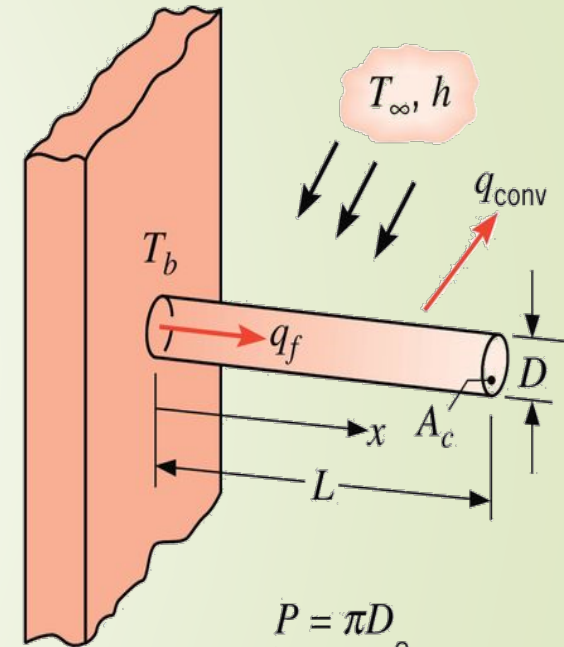
$C_1, C_2 \rightarrow$  BOUNDARY CONDITIONS



$$P = 2w + 2t$$

$$A_c = wt$$

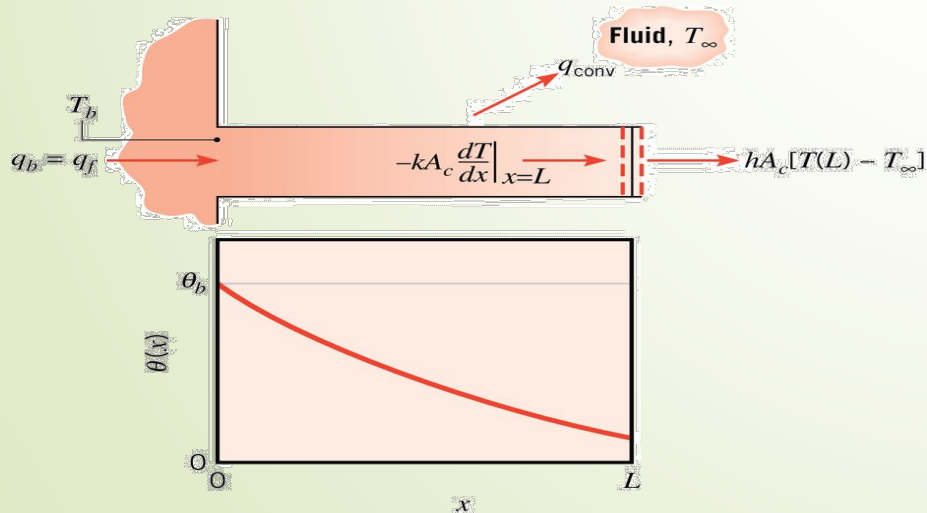
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$$P = \pi D$$

$$A_c = \pi D^2/4$$

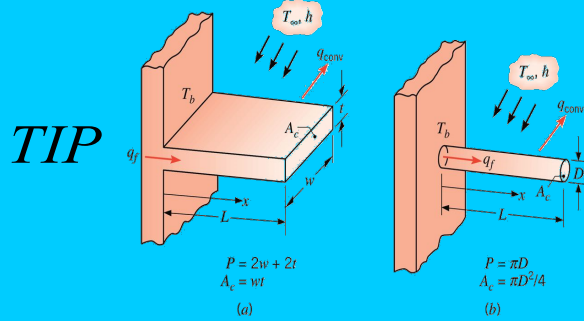
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# FIN SOLUTIONS: STRAIGHT FIN OF UNIFORM CROSS SECTION

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CASE



$$\frac{\theta(x)}{\theta_B} = \frac{T(x) - T_\infty}{T_B - T_\infty}$$

$$q_f = -k_f A_c \frac{dT}{dx}$$

A  $h\theta(L) = -k \frac{d\theta}{dx}$   $\frac{\cosh m(L-x) + (h/mk) \sinh m(L-x)}{\cosh mL + (h/mk) \sinh mL}$

M  $\frac{\sinh mL + (h/mk) \cosh mL}{\cosh mL + (h/mk) \sinh mL}$

B  $\frac{d\theta}{dx} = 0$

$$\frac{\cosh m(L-x)}{\cosh mL}$$

M  $\tanh mL$

C  $\theta(L) = \theta_L$   $\frac{\left(\frac{\theta_L}{\theta_B}\right) \sinh mx + \sinh m(L-x)}{\sinh mL}$

M  $\frac{\left(\cosh mL - \frac{\theta_L}{\theta_B}\right)}{\sinh mL}$

D  $@ L \rightarrow \infty, \theta(L) \rightarrow 0$

$$L > 2.65 \left( \frac{kA_c}{hP} \right)^{1/2}$$

$$e^{-mx}$$

$$m = \sqrt{\frac{hP}{kA_c}}$$

$$M = \left( \sqrt{hPkA_c} \right) \theta_B$$

M



# FIN PERFORMANCE #1

## EFFECTIVENESS

Fins are used to **INCREASE** the heat transfer from a surface by increasing the effective surface area.

But fins do represent a "**RESISTANCE**" to heat transfer from the original surface.

An assessment is made from the **DEFINITION** of the **FIN EFFECTIVENESS**:

$$\epsilon_{fin} = \frac{\text{wall heat transfer WITH fin}}{\text{wall heat transfer WITHOUT fin}} = \frac{q_f}{hA_{c,b}\theta_b} \rightarrow \text{Desire} > 2$$

$A_{c,b}$  = fin cross section area at FIN BASE

$$\theta_b = T_b - T_\infty$$

# FIN PERFORMANCE

## EFFECTIVENESS

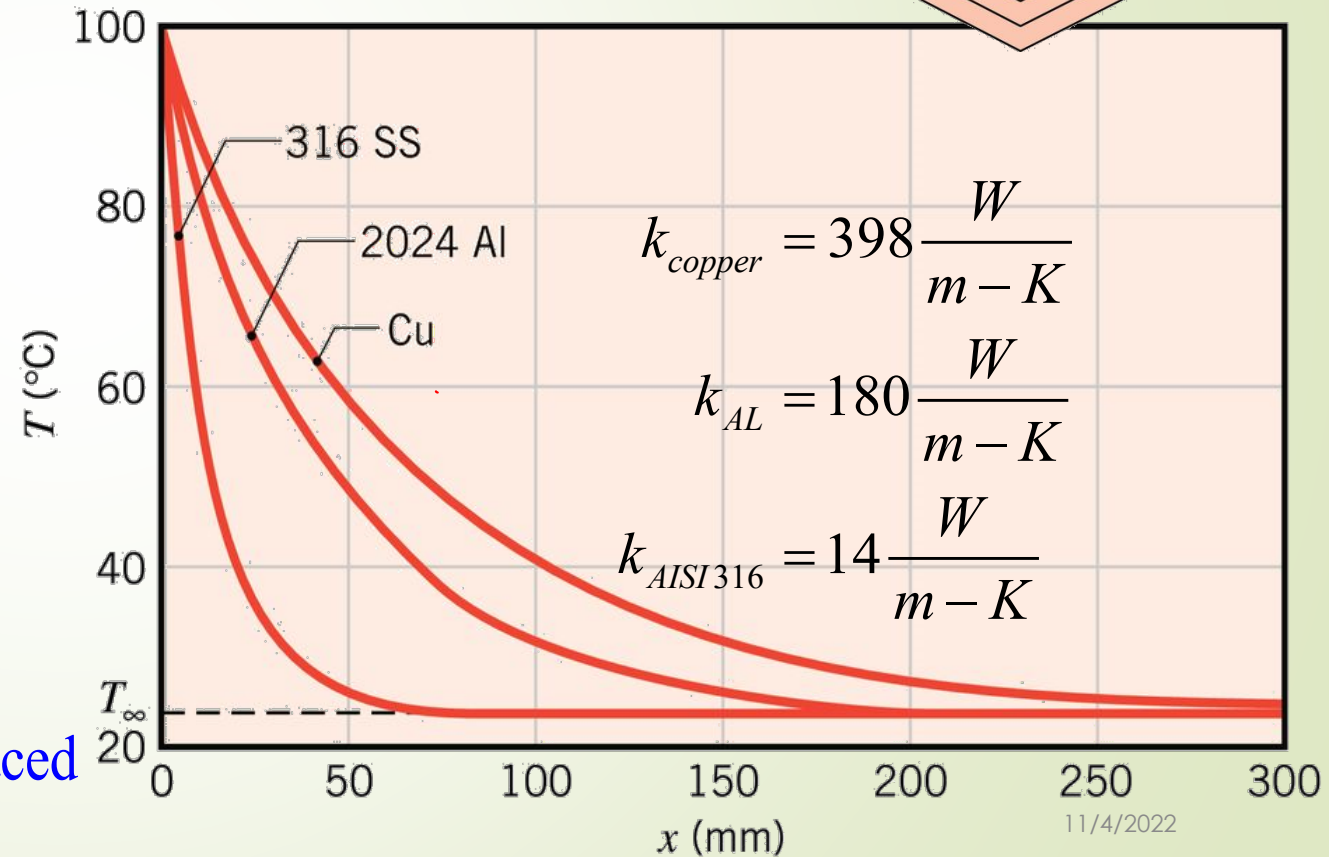
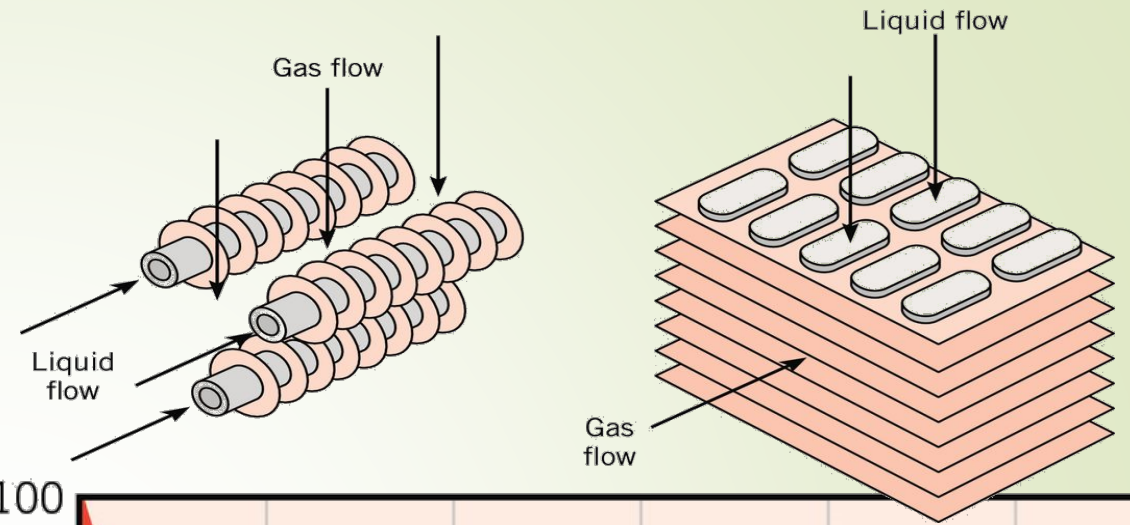
$$\varepsilon_{fin} = \frac{q_f}{hA_{c,b}\theta_b}, \text{ LONG FIN, } q_f = M$$

Consider **LONG FIN**,  $q_f = \sqrt{hPk_f A_c} \theta_b$

$$\varepsilon_{fin} = \frac{q_f}{hA_{c,b}\theta_b} = \frac{\sqrt{hPk_f A_c} \theta_b}{hA_{c,b}\theta_b} = \left( \frac{kP}{hA_c} \right)^{1/2}$$

MAXIMIZE FIN PERFORMANCE

1. High Thermal Conductivity
2. Low Heat Transfer Coefficient
3.  $\frac{\text{Perimeter}}{A_c}$  is high  $\rightarrow$  "thin" and closely spaced



# FIN PERFORMANCE #2

$$q_{fin} = \eta_{fin} \cdot q_{max} = \eta_{fin} \cdot h \cdot A_{fin} \cdot \theta_b$$

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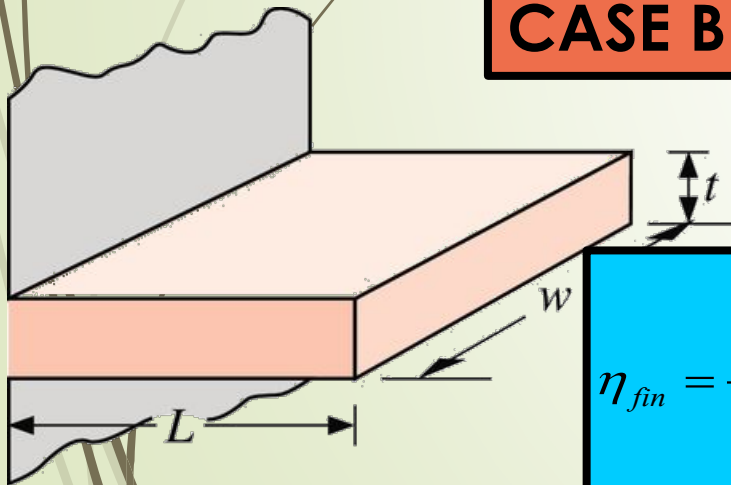
## EFFICIENCY

$$\eta_{fin} = \frac{\text{Fin Heat Transfer Rate}}{\text{MAX HEAT TRANSFER POSSIBLE}} = \frac{q_{fin}}{q_{max}} = \frac{q_{fin}}{hA_{FIN\ TOTAL}\theta_b} \rightarrow 0-1$$

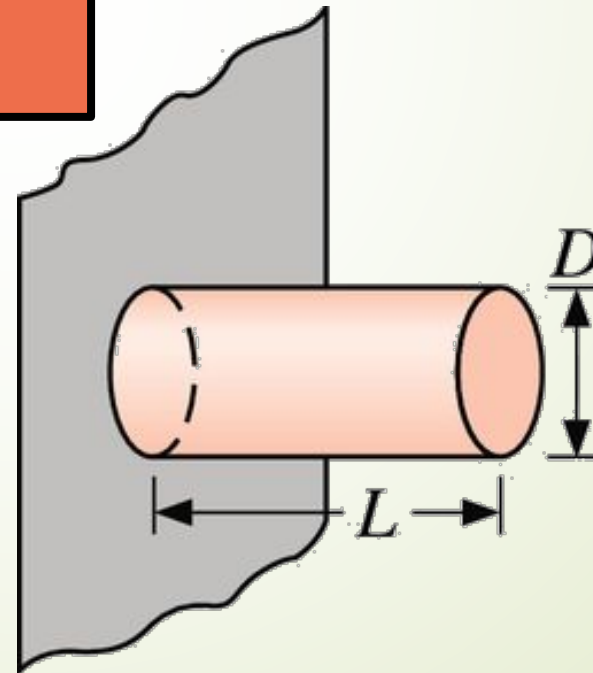
$A_{FIN\ TOTAL}$  = TOTAL FIN AREA EXPOSED TO FLUID

$$\theta_b = T_b - T_\infty$$

**INSULATED TIP ONLY  
CASE B (SLIDE 8)**

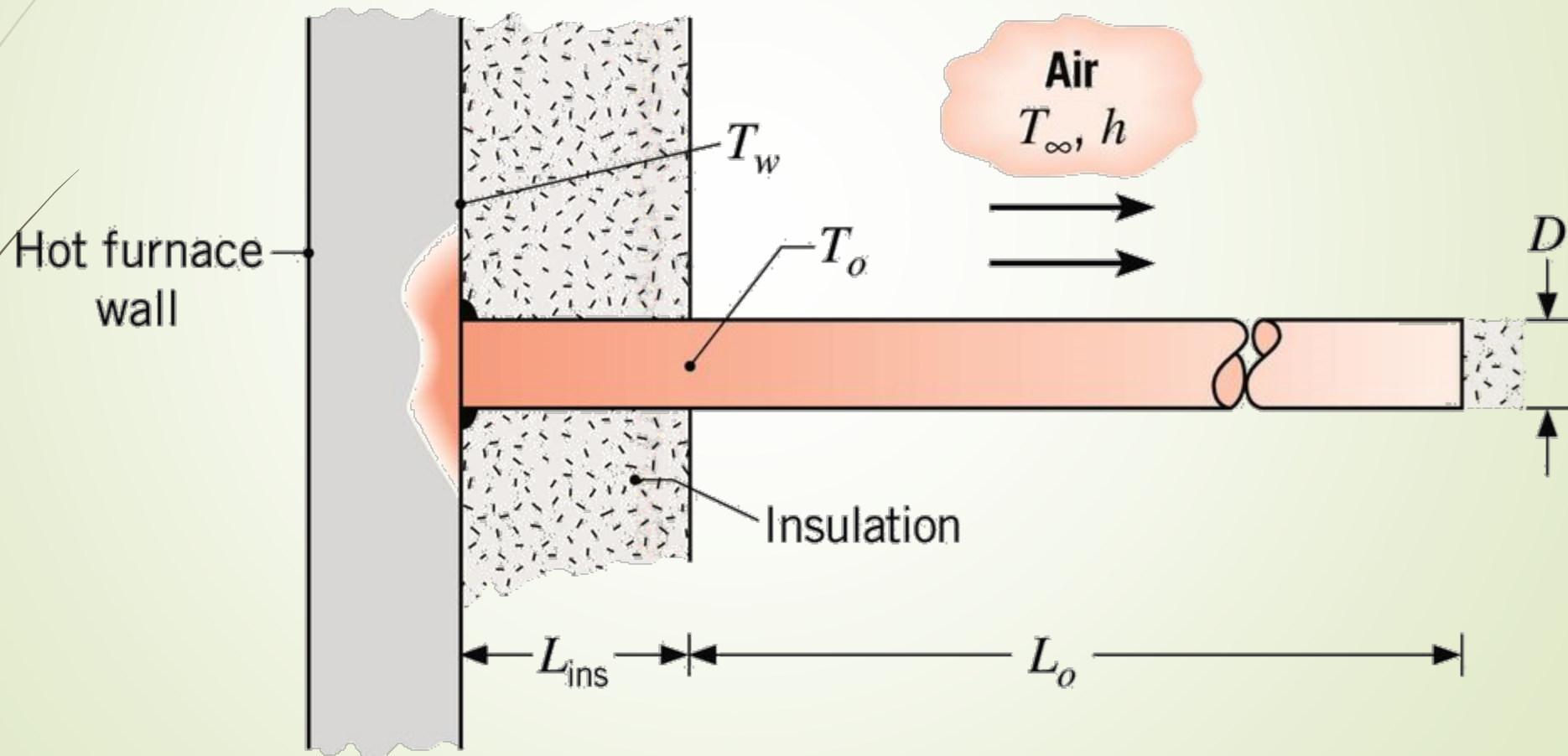


$$\eta_{fin} = \frac{\tanh\left[m\left(L + \frac{t}{2}\right)\right]}{m\left(L + \frac{t}{2}\right)}$$
$$A_{fin} = 2w\left(L + \frac{t}{2}\right)$$



$$\eta_{fin} = \frac{\tanh\left[m\left(L + \frac{D}{4}\right)\right]}{m\left(L + \frac{D}{4}\right)}$$
$$A_{fin} = \pi D\left(L + \frac{D}{4}\right)$$

A rod of diameter  $D = 25\text{mm}$  and  $k=60\text{ W/m-K}$  protrudes from furnace wall at  $T_w=200\text{C}$  and is covered with insulation thickness  $L_{ins}=200\text{mm}$ . The rod at its exposed surface,  $T_o$ , must be maintained below  $T_{max} = 100\text{C}$  with air temp  $T_\infty = 25\text{C}$  and  $h=15\text{W/m-K}$ .



Derive  $T(x)$  exact solution in terms of  $T_w$  and  $L_0$  for the rod immersed within furnace wall. Fin tip is insulated.

$$HDE(0 \leq x \leq L_{ins})$$

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} = 0; T(x) = C_1 x + C_2$$

$$BC \#1: T(x=0) = T_w, C_2 = T_w$$

$$T(x) = C_1 x + T_w$$

**BC #2**

$$-k \frac{dT}{dx} \Big|_{x=L_{ins}} = q_{fin} / A_c$$

$$-k C_1 = M \tanh(mL_0)$$

$$C_1 = \frac{-M \tanh(mL_0)}{kA_c}$$

$$T(x) = T_w - \frac{M \tanh(mL_0)}{kA_c} x$$

$$T(x) = T_w - \frac{M \tanh mL_0}{kA_c} x$$

$$M = \sqrt{hPkA_c} \theta_b$$

$$T(x) = T_w - \frac{\sqrt{hPkA_c} \theta_b \tanh mL_0}{kA_c} x$$

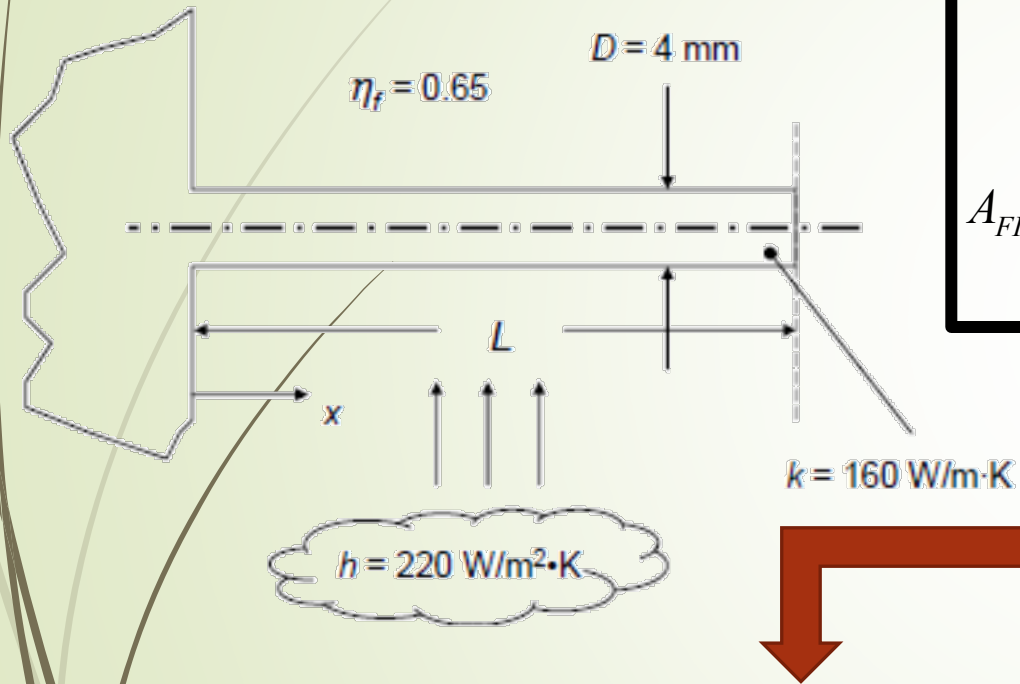
at  $x=L_{ins}$

$$T_0 = T_w - \frac{\sqrt{hPkA_c} (T_0 - T_\infty) \tanh mL_0}{kA_c} L_{ins}$$

$$T_0 \left( \frac{kA_c}{L_{ins} \tanh mL_0 \sqrt{hPkA_c}} + 1 \right) = T_w \frac{kA_c}{L_{ins} \tanh mL_0 \sqrt{hPkA_c}} + T_\infty$$

$$T_0 = \frac{T_w \frac{kA_c}{L_{ins} \tanh mL_0 \sqrt{hPkA_c}} + T_\infty}{\left( \frac{kA_c}{L_{ins} \tanh mL_0 \sqrt{hPkA_c}} + 1 \right)}$$

A PIN fin of **uniform cross section (TYPE A)** with  $k$  and  $h$  defined. Find fin heat rate and **EFFECTIVENESS** if efficiency is 65% with  $L=25\text{mm}$ , wall temperature =  $200\text{C}$  and fluid temperature =  $25\text{C}$



$$\eta_{fin} = \frac{\text{Fin Heat Transfer Rate}}{\text{MAX HEAT TRANSFER POSSIBLE}} = \frac{q_{fin}}{q_{max}} = \frac{q_{fin}}{hA_{FIN\ TOTAL}\theta_b}$$

$$= 0.65$$

$A_{FIN\ TOTAL}$  = TOTAL FIN AREA EXPOSED TO FLUID

$$\theta_b = T_b - T_\infty$$

$$\eta_{fin} = 0.65 = \frac{q_{fin}}{q_{max}} \rightarrow q_{fin} = 0.65q_{max}$$

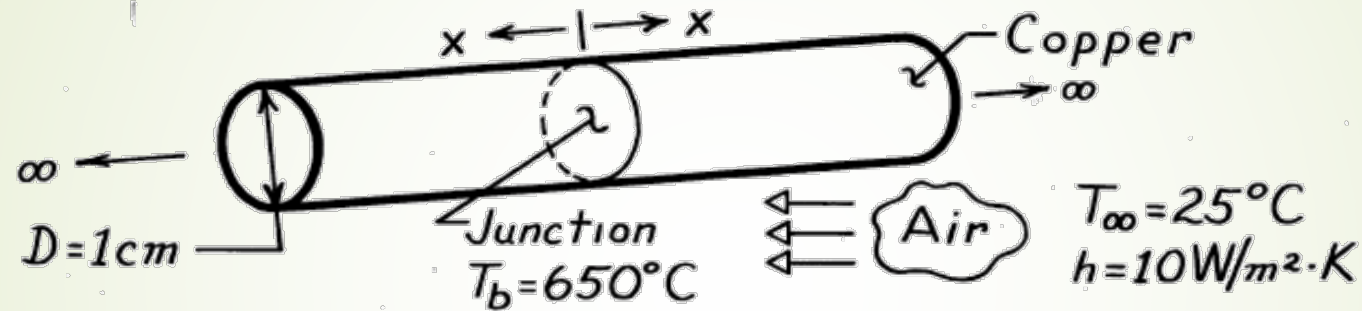
$$q_{fin} = 0.65 \cdot h \cdot A_f \cdot \theta_b$$

$$A_f = \pi DL = \pi \cdot \frac{4}{1000} \cdot \frac{100}{1000} = 1.3 \times 10^{-3} \text{ m}^2$$

$$q_{fin} = 0.65 \cdot h \cdot \pi DL \cdot (T_b - T_\infty) = 7.85 \text{ W}$$

$$\epsilon_{fin} = \frac{q_f}{hA_{c,b}\theta_b} = \frac{q_f}{h \left[ \frac{\pi D^2}{4} \right] (200 - 25)} = \frac{7.85 \text{ W}}{0.4838 \text{ W}} = 16.2$$

Two **long** copper rods are soldered together with melting point of 650C as shown, what is minimum power input needed to effect soldering. Neglect radiation.



$$k = 379\text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K} \quad \left( @ \bar{T}[\text{K}] = \frac{650 + 25}{2} + 273 \approx 600\text{ K} \right)$$

"Assume Long Fin"

$$q_{\min} = 2 \cdot M = 2\sqrt{hPkA_c} \theta_b = 120.9\text{ W} \rightarrow \text{minimum neglecting radiation}$$

$$P = \pi D, A_c = \frac{\pi D^2}{4}, D = \frac{1}{100}\text{ m}$$

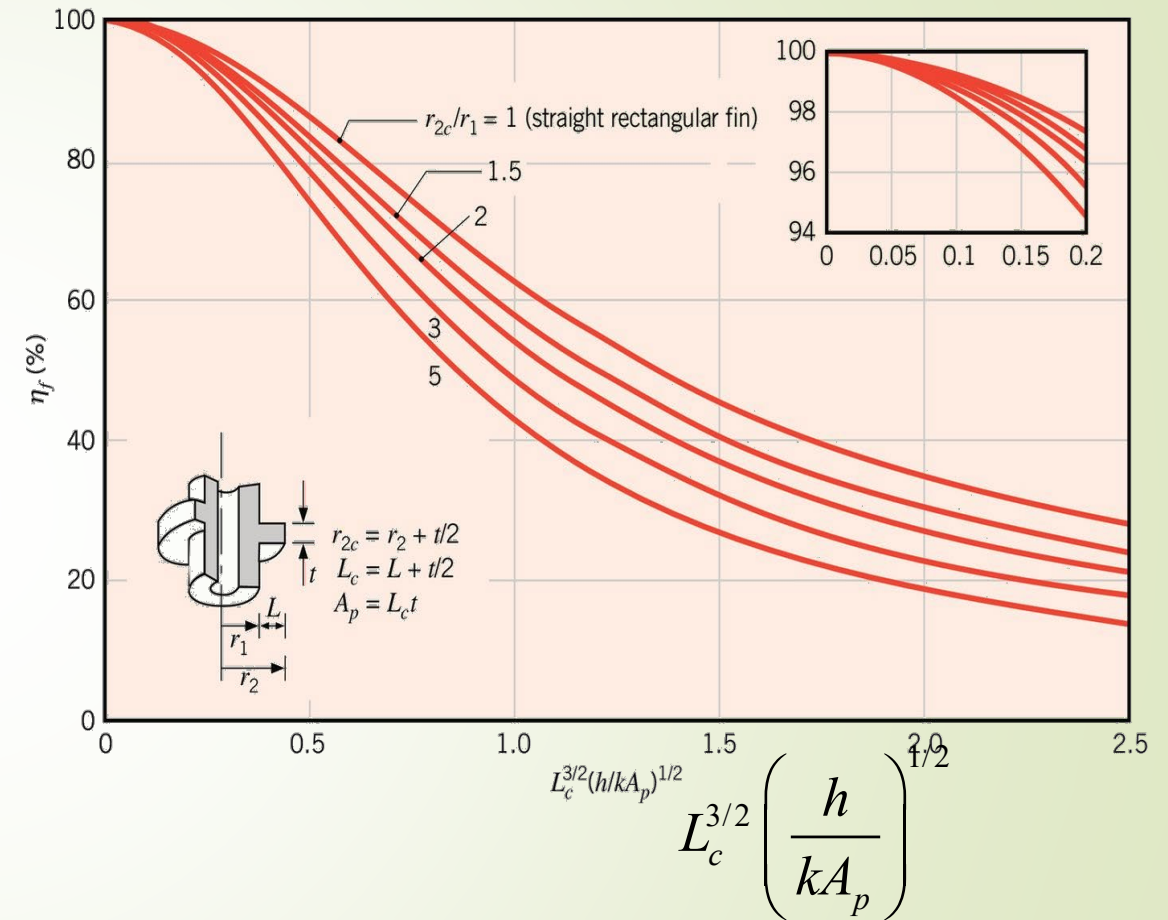
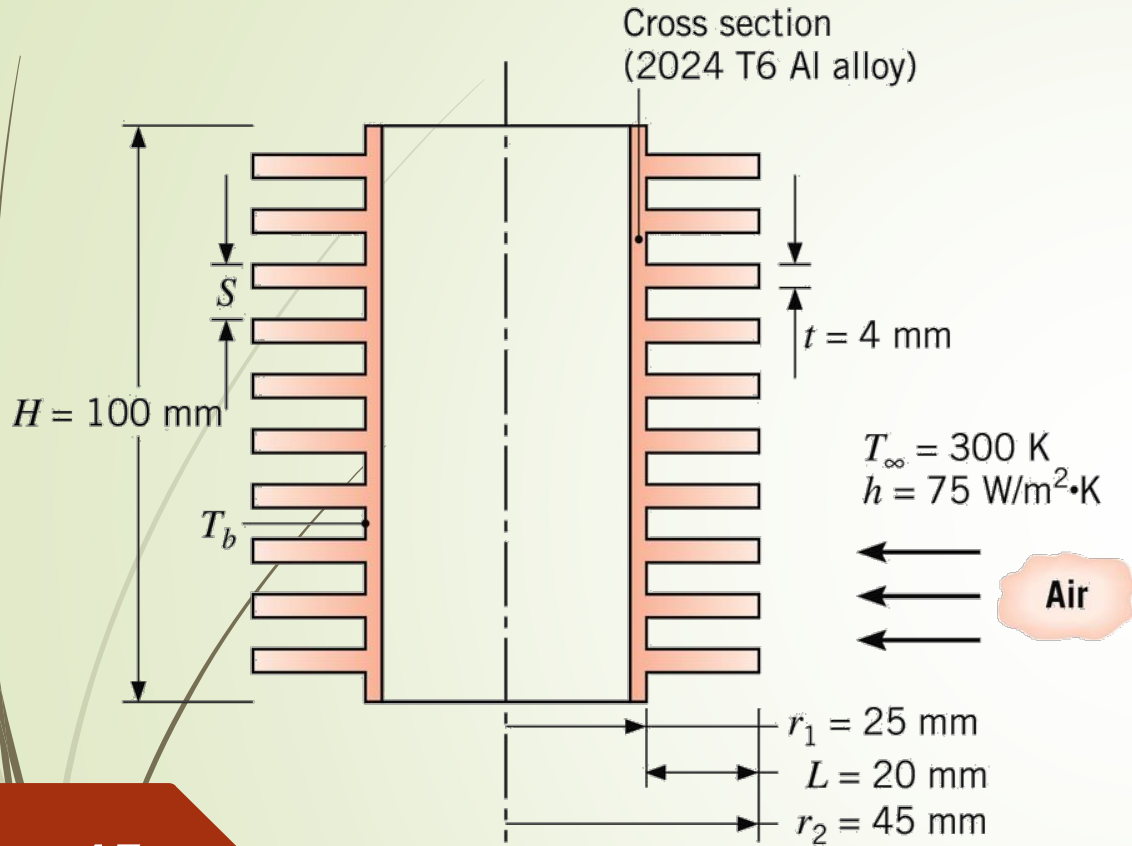
$$\theta_b = 650\text{ C} - 25\text{ C}$$

**TYPE B**  
**Rectangular Fins of**  
**ANNULAR CROSS SECTION**



**ONLY OPTION**

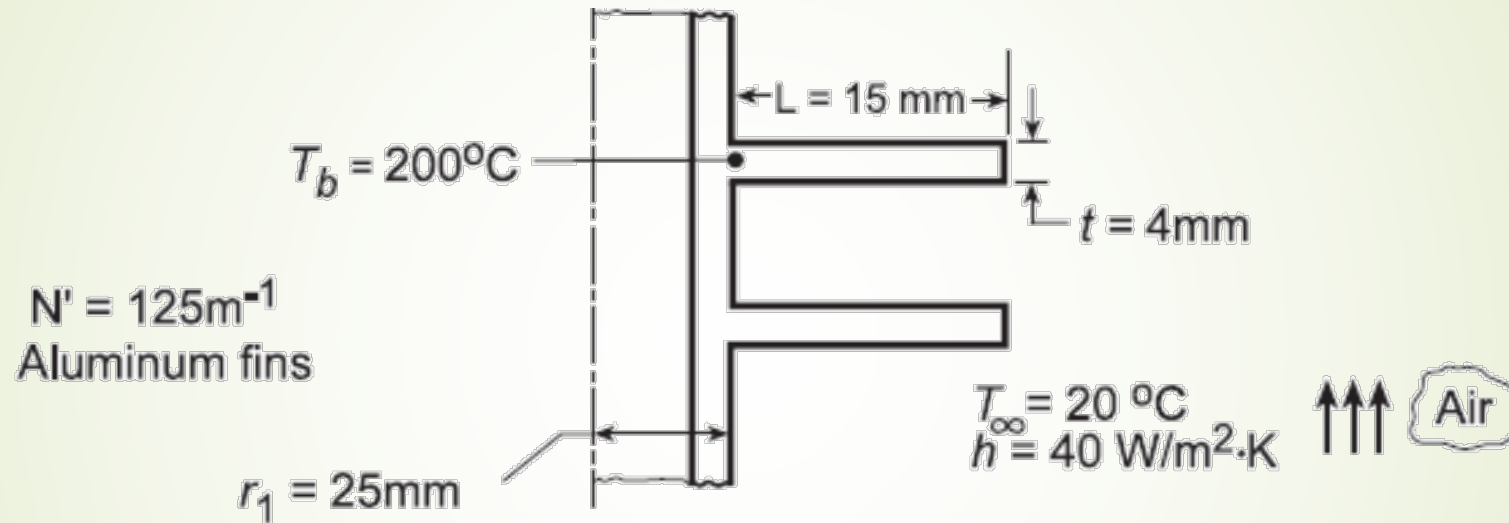
$$q_{fin} = \eta_{fin} \cdot q_{max} = \eta_{fin} \cdot h \cdot A_{fin} \cdot \theta_b$$



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# ANNULAR FINNS of REGTANGULAR PROFILE-EFFICIENCY

An ANNULAR AL fin of rectangular profile (TYPE B) is attached to a tube as shown. What is fin efficiency and effectiveness?



$$\eta_{fin} = \frac{\text{Fin Heat Transfer Rate}}{\text{MAX HEAT TRANSFER POSSIBLE}} = \frac{q_{fin}}{q_{\max}} = \frac{q_{fin}}{hA_{FIN\ TOTAL}\theta_b}$$

$A_{FIN\ TOTAL} = \text{TOTAL FIN AREA EXPOSED TO FLUID}$   
 $\theta_b = T_b - T_\infty$

$$\varepsilon_{fin} = \frac{q_f}{hA_{c,b}\theta_b}$$

FIN EFFICIENCY

Table A-1, Aluminum,  $T \approx 400K$ :  $k=240W/m\cdot K$

FIGURE 3.20

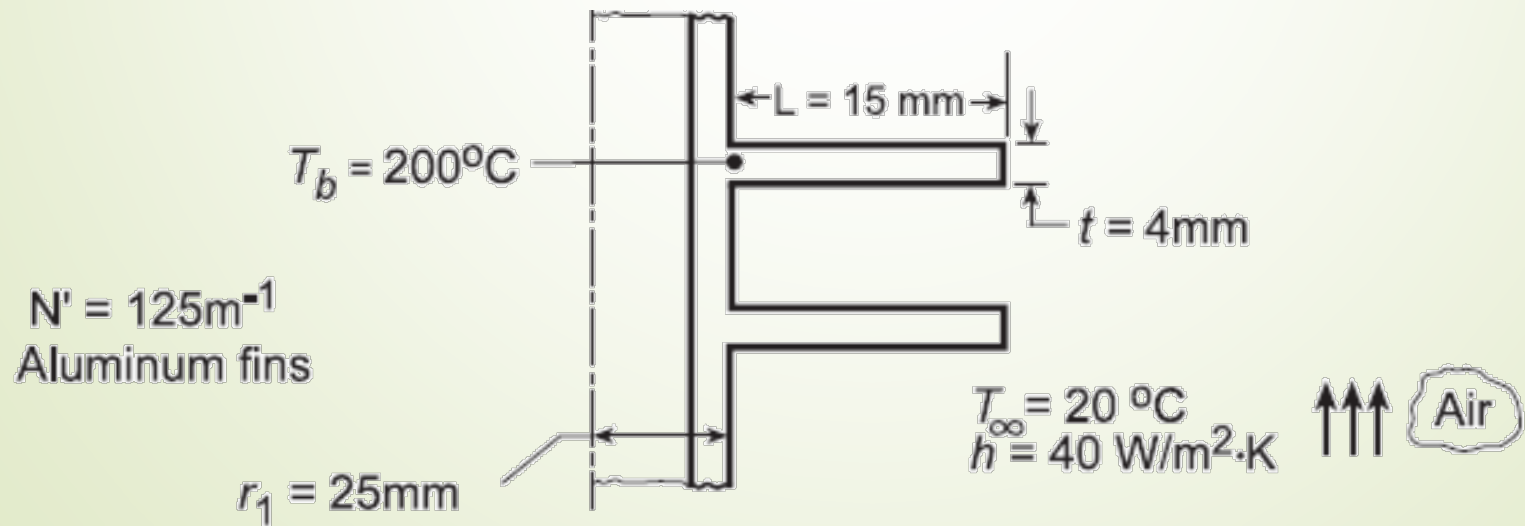
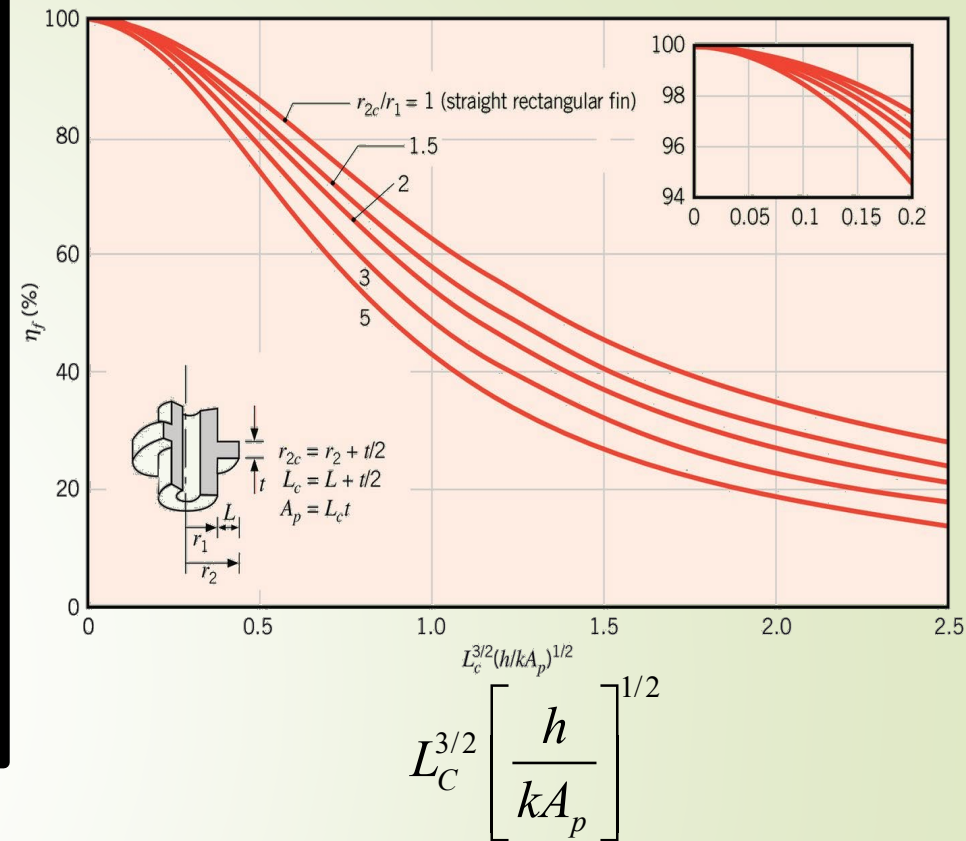
$$r_{2c} = r_2 + \frac{t}{2} = 40mm + 2mm = 0.042m, L_c = L + \frac{t}{2} = 15mm + 2mm = 0.017m$$

$$\frac{r_{2c}}{r_1} = 0.042m / 0.025m = 1.68$$

$$A_p = L_c t = 0.017m \cdot 0.004m = 6.85 \times 10^{-5} m^2$$

$$L_c^{3/2} \sqrt{\frac{h}{kA_p}} = 0.017^{3/2} \sqrt{\frac{40 \frac{W}{m^2 \cdot K}}{240 \frac{W}{m \cdot K} \cdot 6.85 \times 10^{-5} m^2}} = 0.11$$

$\eta_f \approx 0.97 \rightarrow$  FIN EFFICIENCY



## SINGLE FIN HEAT TRANSFER RATE

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$$\eta_{fin} = \text{Fin Efficiency} = \frac{q_f}{q_{max}}$$

$$q_f = \eta_{fin} \cdot q_{max}$$

$$q_{max} = h \cdot A_{FIN\ TOTAL} \cdot \theta_b,$$

$$A_{FIN} = [2\pi(r_2^2 - r_1^2) + 2\pi t(r_2)] = 2\pi(40^2 - 25^2) + 2\pi \cdot 4 \cdot (40)$$

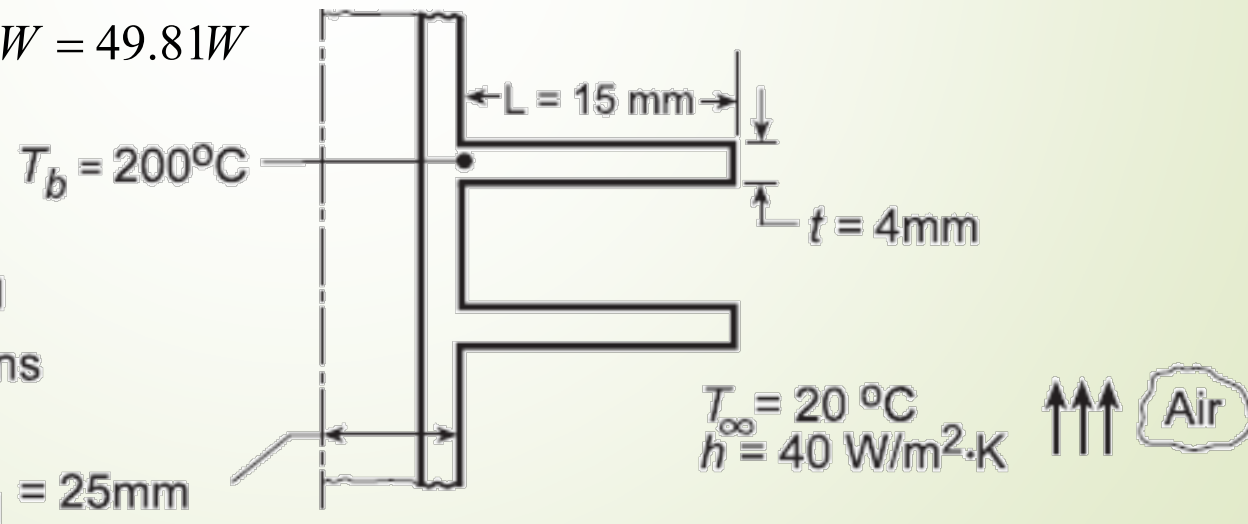
$$= 2\pi(975 + 160) \cdot \frac{1m^2}{1000^2 mm} = 7.1314 \times 10^{-3} m^2$$

$$q_{max} = 40 \frac{W}{m^2 \cdot K} \cdot A_{FIN\ TOTAL} \cdot (200 - 20) = 51.35W$$

$$q_f = 0.97 \cdot 51.35W = 49.81W$$

$N' = 125m^{-1}$   
Aluminum fins

$r_1 = 25mm$

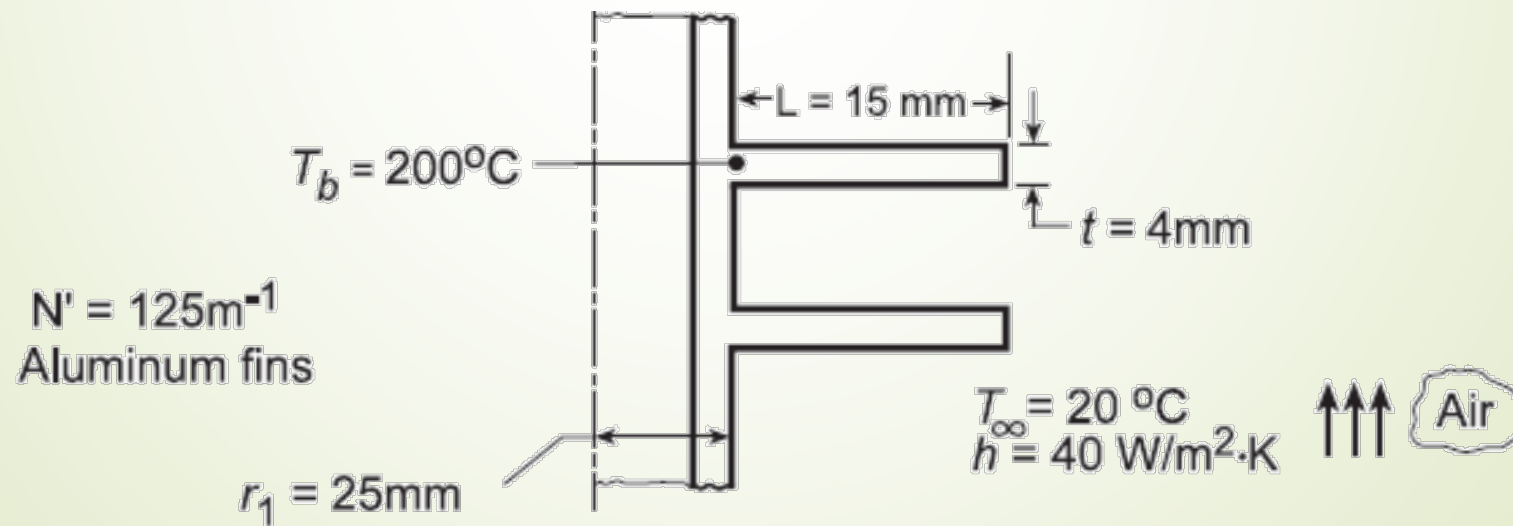


## FIN EFFECTIVENESS

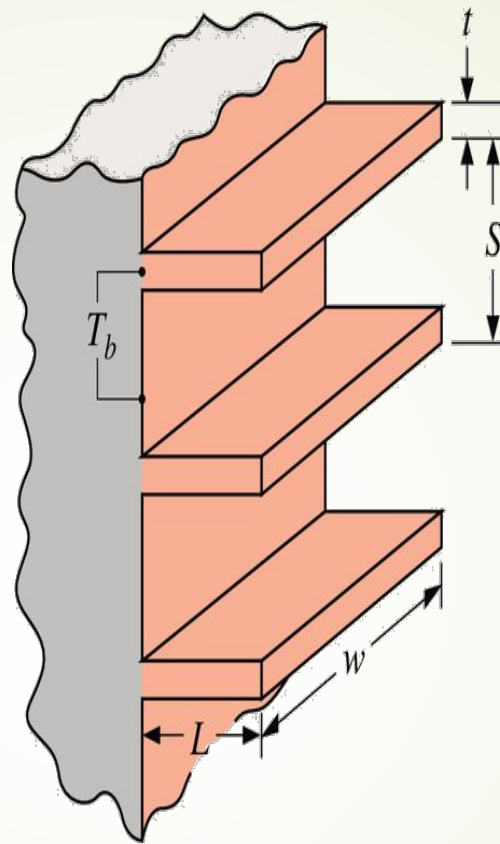
$$\varepsilon_{fin} = \frac{q_f}{hA_{c,b}\theta_b}$$

$$A_{c,b} = 2\pi r_1 t = 6.283 \times 10^{-4} \text{ m}^2$$

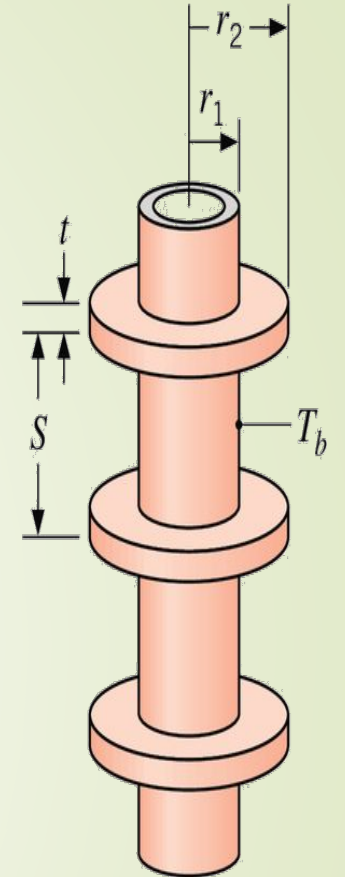
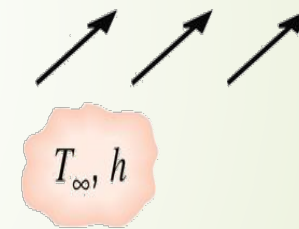
$$\varepsilon_{fin} = \frac{q_f = 49.81 \text{ W}}{40 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{m}^2 \cdot \text{K}} A_{c,b} (200 - 20) \text{ K}} = 11.01$$



# FIN ARRAY SYSTEMS



(a)



(b)

# TOTAL FIN ARRAY HEAT TRANSFER

$$q_{\text{TOTAL}} [W] = q_{\text{fin}} + q_{\text{wall-exposed}}$$

$q_{\text{fin}}$  = Heat transfer for all fins

$q_{\text{wall-exposed}}$  = Heat transfer for exposed wall with NO Fins

$$q_{\text{TOTAL}} [W] = N\eta_{\text{fin}} q_{\text{MAXIMUM}} + hA_0\theta_b$$

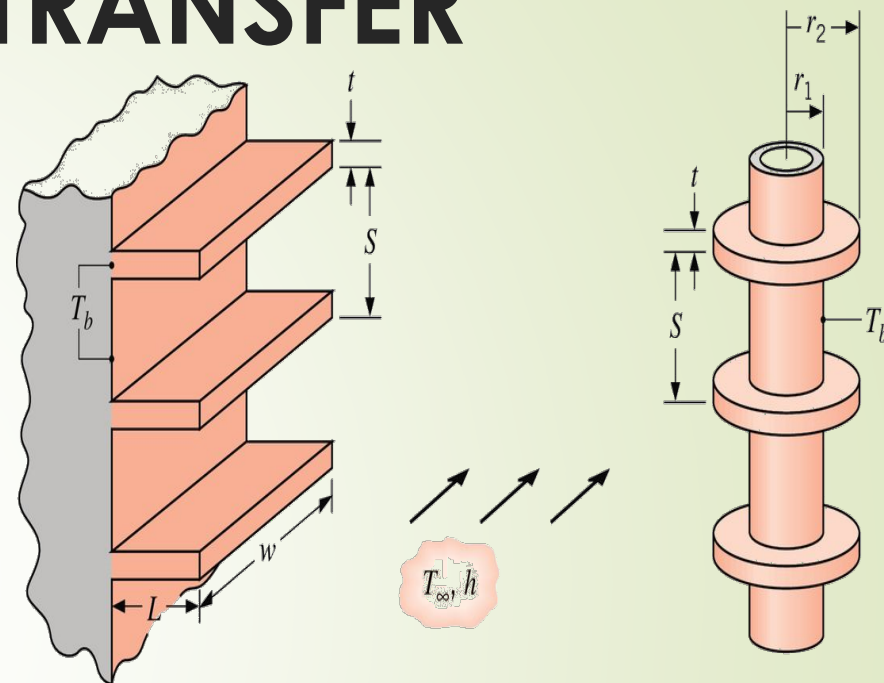
$A_0$  = Wall exposed surface area

$N$  = Number of Fins

$$\theta_b = T_b - T_\infty$$

$$\eta_{\text{fin}} = \text{Fin Efficiency} = \frac{q_f}{q_{\text{max}}}$$

$$q_{\text{max}} = h \cdot A_{\text{FIN TOTAL}} \cdot \theta_b$$



$$A_0 = HW - (W \cdot t) \cdot N \quad (a) \quad A_0 = 2\pi r_1 H - (2\pi r_1 \cdot t) \cdot N \quad (b)$$

$H$  = Wall Height

$H$  = Tube Height

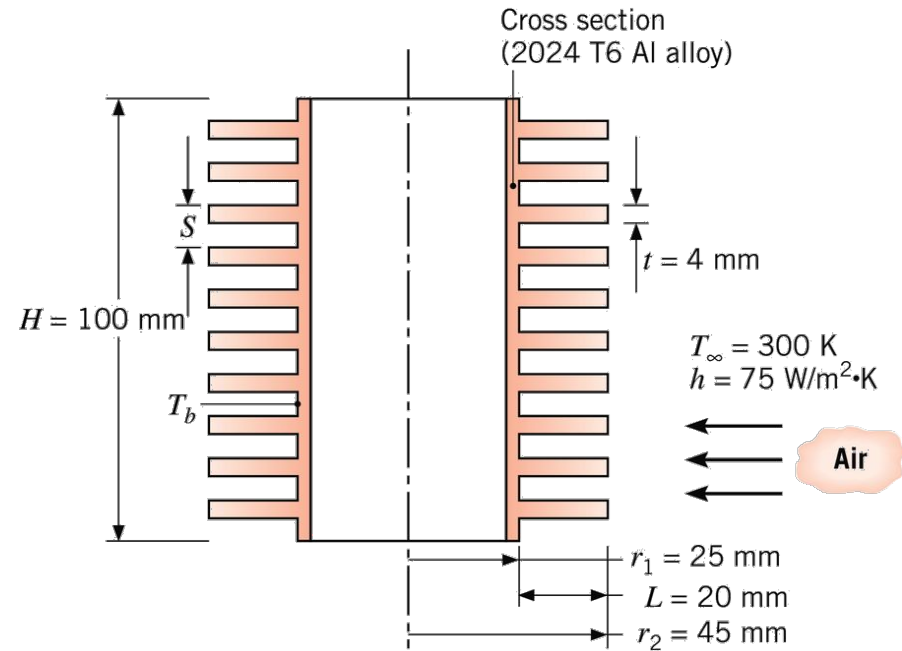
$$A_{\text{FIN TOTAL}} = 2L(W + t)$$

$$A_{\text{FIN TOTAL}} = [2\pi(r_2^2 - r_1^2) + 2\pi t(r_2 - r_1)]$$

(Table 3.4)

(Figure 3.20)

# PROBLEM



Find the **HEAT TRANSFER RATE PER UNIT LENGTH (W/m)** if the number of fins per unit length is  **$N=400 \text{ Fins/m}$** .

**$k = 177 \text{ W/m-K}$**   
 **$T_b = 450 \text{ K}$**



$$A_0 = 2\pi r_1 H - 2\pi r_1 \cdot t \cdot N$$

$H = \text{Tube Height}$

$$A_{FIN} = [2\pi(r_2^2 - r_1^2) + 2\pi t(r_2 - r_1)]$$

$$q_{TOTAL} [W] = N\eta_{fin} q_{MAXIMUM} + h\theta_b [2\pi r_1 H - 2\pi r_1 \cdot t \cdot N]$$

$$= N\eta_{fin} q_{MAXIMUM} + h\theta_b [2\pi r_1 H - 2\pi r_1 \cdot t \cdot N]$$

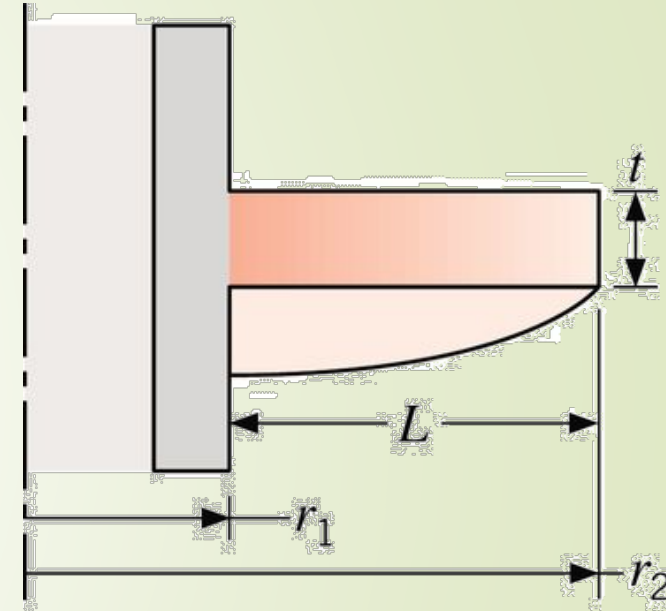
$\div H$

$$\frac{q_{TOTAL} [W]}{H} = \frac{N}{H} \eta_{fin} q_{MAXIMUM} + h\theta_b \left[ 2\pi r_1 \frac{H}{H} - [2\pi r_1 \cdot t] \cdot \frac{N}{H} \right]$$

$$q' \left[ \frac{W}{L} \right] = N' \eta_{fin} q_{MAXIMUM} + [2\pi r_1 - [2\pi r_1 \cdot t] \cdot N']$$

$$q' \left[ \frac{W}{L} \right] = N' (\eta_{fin} q_{MAXIMUM} - [2\pi r_1 \cdot t] h\theta_b) + h\theta_b 2\pi r_1$$

$$q_{max} = h \cdot A_{FIN TOTAL} \cdot \theta_b$$



$$q' \left[ \frac{W}{L} \right] = N' (\eta_{fin} q_{MAXIMUM} - [2\pi r_1 \cdot t] h\theta_b) + h\theta_b 2\pi r_1$$

$$N' = \frac{q' \left[ \frac{W}{L} \right] - h\theta_b 2\pi r_1}{(\eta_{fin} q_{MAXIMUM} - [2\pi r_1 \cdot t] h\theta_b)}$$