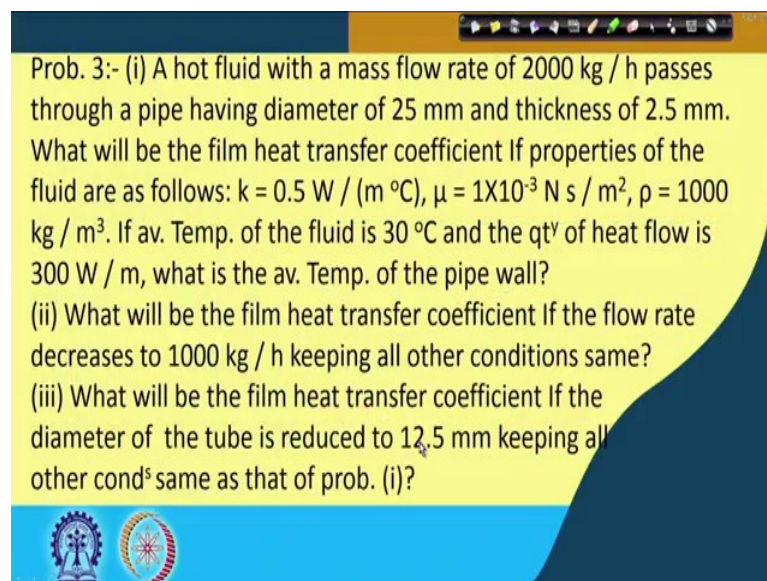


**Thermal Operations in Food Process Engineering: Theory and Applications**  
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**Lecture - 33**  
**Heat Transfer by Convection (Contd.)**

Good morning. So, we are doing some problems on the application of the relations which we have given, 'right' and this is lecture number 33.

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Prob. 3:- (i) A hot fluid with a mass flow rate of 2000 kg / h passes through a pipe having diameter of 25 mm and thickness of 2.5 mm. What will be the film heat transfer coefficient If properties of the fluid are as follows:  $k = 0.5 \text{ W / (m } ^\circ\text{C)}$ ,  $\mu = 1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N s / m}^2$ ,  $\rho = 1000 \text{ kg / m}^3$ . If av. Temp. of the fluid is  $30 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$  and the qt<sup>y</sup> of heat flow is  $300 \text{ W / m}$ , what is the av. Temp. of the pipe wall?

(ii) What will be the film heat transfer coefficient If the flow rate decreases to  $1000 \text{ kg / h}$  keeping all other conditions same?

(iii) What will be the film heat transfer coefficient If the diameter of the tube is reduced to  $12.5 \text{ mm}$  keeping all other cond<sup>s</sup> same as that of prob. (i)?

Yeah we are doing it; I think this one will give you the problem and I wish that you solve it. And if you are not able to solve then only on the next maybe next to next class or some other classes, we will come back to this solution and then you can and that time we will of course, do hurriedly. May not be directly with the convection by that time if it is over; then because I will show give you some time so that you can do it ok.

So, the problem is that it is a also similar to the relations which we have handled; that hot fluid with the mass flow rate of  $2000 \text{ kg/h}$ , passes through a pipe having diameter of  $25 \text{ mm}$  and thickness of  $2.5 \text{ mm}$ . What will be the film heat transfer coefficient if properties of the fluid are as follows;  $k$  is equal to  $0.5 \text{ W/m} \cdot ^\circ\text{C}$ , viscosity  $\mu$  is  $1 \times 10^{-3} \text{ N.s/m}^2$   $\rho = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ; if average temperature of the fluid is  $30 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}$  and the quantity of heat flow is  $300 \text{ W/m}$ ; what is the average temperature of the pipe wall?

Second, what will be the film heat transfer coefficient if the flow rate decreases to 1000 kg/h; it was 2000 kg/h, now it is 1000 kg/h keeping all other conditions identical or same. Third what will be the film heat transfer coefficient if the diameter of the tube is reduced to 12.5 mm keeping again all other condition same, 'right'. So, this solution you do and if you are not able to then we will come back to a solution after some time, 'right'.

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**Free or Natural convection**

**Simple empirical correlations**

where,  $Ra_\delta = Gr_\delta \times Pr = \frac{g\beta(T_h - T_c)\delta^3}{\nu^2} Pr$   $Nu_\delta = c(Ra_\delta)^n \left(\frac{H}{\delta}\right)^m$

$\delta$  = thickness of fluid layer;  $H$  = height of fluid layer;

Layers; in an annulus, it is  $(D_o - D_i)/2$ ;  $H$  = height of fluid layer;

Once the Nusselt number is computed, the mean heat transfer coefficient  $h_m$  is determined from its definition as  $h_m = Nu_\delta \frac{k}{\delta}$

The total heat transfer rate  $Q$  across the fluid layer for a given  $h_m$  is  $Q = A_m h_m (T_h - T_c)$ ; where the mean area  $A_m$  depends on the geometry as:

Plane layer:  $A_m = A_w$  wall area; cylindrical annulus:  $A_m = \frac{A_o - A_i}{\ln(A_o/A_i)}$

For spherical annulus:  $A_m = \sqrt{A_o A_i}$

For fluid contained in a horizontal enclosed space, where the viscous forces overcome the buoyancy forces and the fluid remain motionless, as a result, heat transfer across the fluid layer is by pure conduction and a Nusselt number can be defined as

So, now let us go to free convection ok; free or natural convection till now we have handled with forced convection, 'right'. And free or natural convection by definition it is due to the buoyancy or density difference; the flow is happening and there is a heat exchange, 'right'.

So, generally the simple correlations are like this that there is a number called Rayleigh number which is  $Ra$ ; may be in terms of  $\delta$ , i.e., thickness is equal to Grashof number; in terms of again  $\delta$  thickness into Prandtl number. So, this comes to be

$$Ra_\delta = Gr_\delta \times Pr = \frac{g\beta(T_h - T_c)\delta^3}{\nu^2}$$

And  $Nu$  in terms of  $\delta$ ,  $Nu$  that is not  $Nu$ ;  $Nu$  that is, Nusselt number in terms of  $\delta$  is

$$Nu_\delta = c(Ra_\delta)^n \left(\frac{H}{\delta}\right)^m$$

where  $H$  and  $m$  deviously these are the two constants which are to

be determined, 'right'.  $\delta$  is the thickness of the fluid, 'right'; so this Nusselt number is  $(Ra_\delta)^n \left(\frac{H}{\delta}\right)$ , where  $Ra$  is Grashof number into Prandtl number as we said,  $\delta$  is the thickness of the fluid layers in annulus; it is  $D_o/D_i$  thickness is  $(D_o - D_i)/2$ ,  $H$  is the height of the fluid layer.

Once the Nusselt number is computed; the mean heat transfer coefficient  $h_m$  is determined from its definition as  $h_m = Nu_\delta \frac{k}{\delta}$  'right'. Nusselt number is equal to  $h \delta / k$  or  $h_m / k$ ;  $h_m \delta / k$ . Total transfer of heat  $Q$  rate across the fluid layer for a given  $h_m$  is;  $Q = A_m h_m (T_h - T_c)$ , where the mean area  $A_m$  depends on the geometry like plane layer  $A_m$  is  $A_w$  or wall area.

Cylindrical annulus,  $A_m = \frac{A_o - A_i}{\ln(A_o/A_i)}$ ; outside area over in inner area. For spherical annulus it is  $A_m = \sqrt{A_o A_i}$ . For fluid continue contained in a horizontal enclosed space where the viscous forces overcome the buoyancy forces. And the fluid remained motionless as a result the heat transfer across the fluid layer is by pure conduction.

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$k \frac{T_h - T_c}{\delta} = h(T_h - T_c)$ ; or,  $Nu_\delta = \frac{h\delta}{k} = 1$  where,  $\delta$  is the thickness of the fluid layer, temp. difference is sufficiently small

**More accurate empirical correlations for free or natural convection in enclosures**

Vertical layer: Let aspect ratio  $a = H / \delta$ . Experimentally, for air, for  $a = 5$  to  $110$  and Rayleigh number  $Ra_\delta = 10^2$  to  $2 \times 10^7$  natural or free convective heat transfer were determined. Correlations proposed:

$Nu_{90^\circ} = [Nu_1, Nu_2, Nu_3]_{\max}$  select one  $Nu_{\max}$ , where,

$Nu_1 = 0.0605 Ra^{1/3}$ ;  $Nu_2 = \left\{ 1 + \left[ \frac{0.104 Ra^{0.293}}{1 + (6310 / Ra)^{1.36}} \right]^3 \right\}^{1/3}$ ;  $Nu_3 = 0.024 \left( \frac{Ra}{a} \right)^{0.272}$

where,  $a = \frac{H}{\delta}$ ;  $Ra = Gr_\delta \times Pr = \frac{g\beta(T_h - T_c)\delta^3}{\nu^2} Pr$

And the Nusselt number can be defined as; Nusselt number can be defined as this that

$$k \frac{T_h - T_c}{\delta} = h(T_h - T_c) \text{ or } Nu_{\delta} = \frac{h\delta}{k} = 1, \text{ 'right'}, \text{ where } \delta \text{ is the thickness; it should be}$$

$\delta$  is the thickness of the fluid layer and the temperature difference is sufficiently small.

For more accurate empirical correlations, for free natural convection in enclosures are like this. What we have? Here is that system; system is this we have an enclosure which has a height equal to  $H$ , thickness equal to  $\delta$ . And with the plane this is  $90^\circ$ ;  $\phi$  is  $90^\circ$ , hot surface is at  $T_h$  this is the hot surface; at  $T_h$  and the cold surface is at  $T_c$ ; this is the cold surface, 'right'.

So, under this condition; if it is a vertical layer that like this if it is a vertical layer, let aspect ratio is  $H / \delta$  is equal to  $a$ , 'right'  $H / \delta$  is the aspect ratio is  $a$ ; where  $H$  is the height of the fluid and  $\delta$  is the thickness of the fluid. Experimentally for air;  $a$  is equal to 5 to 110 and  $Ra_{\delta} = 10^2$  to  $2 \times 10^7$ .

So, there natural or free convective heat transfer was determined or were determined.

And correlations proposed are like this  $Nu_{90^\circ} = [Nu_1, Nu_2, Nu_3]_{\max}$  means any one of  $Nu_1$ ,  $Nu_2$  or  $Nu_3$  maximum of that is the Nusselt number. So that means, you need to know  $Nu_1$ ,  $Nu_2$  and  $Nu_3$ , 'right'. So, from there you select one  $Nu_{\max}$  or Nusselt number max

$$\text{where, } Nu_1 = 0.065 Ra^{1/3}. \quad Nu_2 = \left\{ 1 + \left[ \frac{0.104 Ra^{0.293}}{1 + (6310 / Ra)^{1.36}} \right]^3 \right\}^{1/3}.$$

$$\text{And } Nu_3 = 0.024 \left( \frac{Ra}{a} \right)^{0.272}, \text{ 'right'; } a \text{ is the aspect ratio, } H / \delta ;$$

$$Ra = Gr_{\delta} \times Pr = \frac{g\beta(T_h - T_c)\delta^3}{\nu^2} Pr, \text{ 'right'}.$$

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The Nusselt number is defined as

$$Nu_{90^\circ} = 0.073(Ra)^{1/3} \left( \frac{H}{\delta} \right)^{-1/9} = 0.073 \times (3.4 \times 10^5)^{0.33} \times (10)^{-0.11} = 3.79$$

Prob.: Two square vertical parallel plates of dimension 0.5 m by 0.5 m separated by a distance  $\delta = 5$  cm contains air. One plate is at 400 and the other plate is at 300 K. Calculate the rate of heat transfer by the free convection across the airspace. Compare this Nusselt no. and the one obtained with approximation. Given the properties of air at 350 K;  $\nu = 2.076 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2 / \text{s}$ ;  $\alpha = 2.983 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2 / \text{s}$ ;  $\beta = 1 / 350 = 2.86 \times 10^{-3} \text{ K}^{-1}$ ;  $k = 0.03 \text{ W} / \text{m}^\circ\text{C}$ .

$\frac{0.5}{0.05} = 10$

So, knowing this; this is a relation for free convection or natural convection. The Nusselt

number is defined as  $Nu_{90^\circ} = 0.073(Ra)^{1/3} \left( \frac{H}{\delta} \right)^{-1/9} = 0.073 \times 3.4$  perhaps this we have done as the solution, 'right'.

Two square vertical parallel plates of dimension 0.5 m by 0.5 m; separated by a distance  $\delta$  is equal to 5 cm contains air. One plate is at 400 and the other plate is at 300 K; calculate the rate of heat transfer by the free convection across the airspace and compare this Nusselt number and the one obtained with approximation, 'right'.

So, given the properties of air at 350 K is.  $\nu = 2.076 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2 / \text{s}$ ,  $\alpha = 2.983 \times 10^{-5} \text{ m}^2 / \text{s}$ .  $\beta = 1 / 350 = 2.86 \times 10^{-3} \text{ K}^{-1}$ . And  $k = 0.03 \text{ W} / \text{m}^\circ\text{C}$ , 'right'. Now,  $H / \delta$ ; H is 0.5 m,  $\delta$  is 5 cm, 'right'. So,  $0.5 / 0.05$ , 'right' is equal to 10 'right'. So, from this relation; if Rayleigh number can be found out I think this was found out. So, it came out to be Nusselt number to be 3.79 simply.

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**Solution:**

$Pr = \nu / \alpha$ ;  $Ra = (g\beta(T_h - T_c)\delta^2) / (\nu\alpha) = (9.8)(2.86 \times 10^{-3})(400-300)(0.05)^3 / (2.076 \times 10^{-5})(2.983 \times 10^{-5}) = 3.4 \times 10^5$ ; Aspect ratio  $a = H / \delta = 0.5 / 0.05 = 10$ .

$\therefore Nu_1 = 0.0605 Ra^{1/3} = 0.0605 (3.4 \times 10^5)^{0.333} = 4.22$ ;

$\therefore Nu_2 = \left\{ 1 + \left[ \frac{0.104 Ra^{0.293}}{1 + (6310 / Ra)^{1.36}} \right]^3 \right\}^{1/3} = \left\{ 1 + \left[ \frac{0.104 (3.4 \times 10^5)^{0.293}}{1 + (6310 / (3.4 \times 10^5))^{1.36}} \right]^3 \right\}^{1/3} = 4.36$

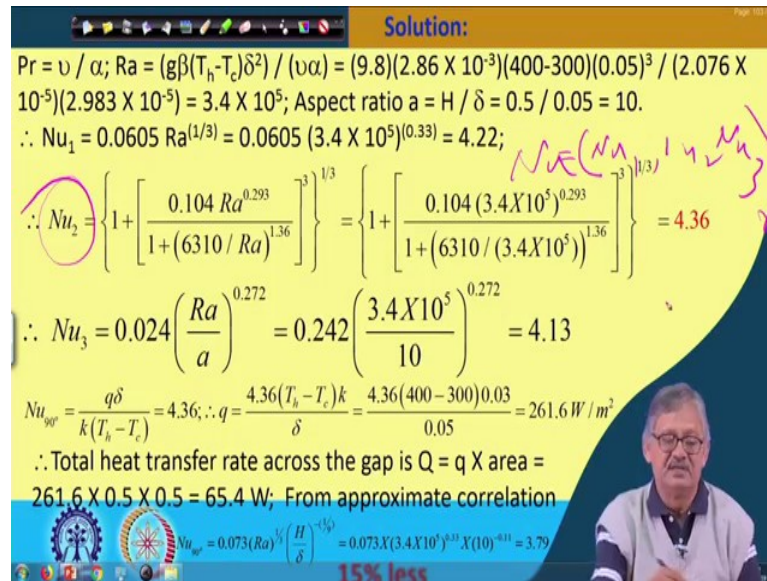
$\therefore Nu_3 = 0.024 \left( \frac{Ra}{a} \right)^{0.272} = 0.242 \left( \frac{3.4 \times 10^5}{10} \right)^{0.272} = 4.13$

$Nu_{\text{opt}} = \frac{q\delta}{k(T_h - T_c)} = 4.36$ ;  $\therefore q = \frac{4.36(T_h - T_c)k}{\delta} = \frac{4.36(400-300)0.03}{0.05} = 261.6 \text{ W/m}^2$

$\therefore$  Total heat transfer rate across the gap is  $Q = q \times \text{area} = 261.6 \times 0.5 \times 0.5 = 65.4 \text{ W}$ ; From approximate correlation

$Nu_{\text{opt}} = 0.073(Ra)^{1/4} \left( \frac{H}{\delta} \right)^{-1/4} = 0.073 \times (3.4 \times 10^5)^{0.25} \times (10)^{-0.25} = 3.79$

**15% less**



But if we want to see that  $Nu_1$ ,  $Nu_2$  which we have done if we want to see that, then we have to find out like this that the  $Pr = \nu / \alpha$ ,

$$Ra = (g\beta(T_h - T_c)\delta^2) / (\nu\alpha) = (9.8 \times 2.86 \times 10^{-3})(400 - 300)(0.05)^3 / (2.076 \times 10^{-5})(2.983 \times 10^{-5})$$

. So, it comes to  $3.4 \times 10^5$ .

Aspect ratio or  $a$  found to be;  $a = H / \delta$  'right'. So,  $H / \delta$  was the aspect ratio equal to  $0.5 / 0.005$  so; that means, it is 10. So, from 1;

$Nu_1 = 0.0605 Ra^{1/3} = 0.0605 (3.4 \times 10^5)^{0.333} = 4.22$ , 'right'. So, Rayleigh number we have found out  $3.4 \times 10^5$ ; so this came to be 4.22. Now,  $Nu_2$  that is in the second these are more accurate 'right'; we said Nusselt number you find out either in terms of Nusselt number 1 or 2 or 3 in any three expressions and whatever is the max that you take, 'right'.

So, Nusselt number 2 was more complicated was 1 plus by substituting the values, expression already we had shown earlier; I am not repeating here. So,

$\left\{ 1 + \left[ \frac{0.104 \text{Ra}^{0.293}}{1 + (6310/\text{Ra})^{1.36}} \right]^3 \right\}^{1/3}$ . So, this on simplification gives

$$\left\{ 1 + \left[ \frac{0.104(3.4 \times 10^5)^{0.293}}{1 + ((3.4 \times 10^5))^{1.36}} \right]^3 \right\}^{1/3}, \text{ 'right'}$$

So, this on simplification gives 4.36, 'right' and the third one which would like to do is

$$\text{Nusselt number equal to } 0.024 \left( \frac{\text{Ra}}{a} \right)^{0.272} \text{ and this is equal to } 0.024 \left( \frac{3.4 \times 10^5}{10} \right)^{0.272}$$

and the aspect ratio we found out to be 10; so by 10; so this is equal to 4.13. So, out of these three; 4.22, 4.36 and 4.13; we see that  $\text{Nu}_2$  is equal to 4.36 is the max; so  $\text{Nu}_{\text{max}}$  is equal to 4.36, 'right'.

Now, once we have the  $\text{Nu}_{\text{max}}$ ; we use  $\text{Nu}_{90}$  that is because you are set the vertical. So,

$$\text{Nu}_{90} = \frac{q\delta}{k(T_h - T_c)} = 4.36. \text{ So, Nusselt number we are taking } 4.36 \text{ and}$$

$$\text{Nu}_{90} = \frac{q\delta}{k(T_h - T_c)} = 4.36. \text{ From there } q = \frac{4.36(T_h - T_c)k}{\delta}, \text{ 'right'}$$

And this is equal to  $q = \frac{4.36(400 - 300)0.03}{0.05}$  is 261.6 W/m<sup>2</sup>. So, q the flux heat flux

we got 261.6 W/m<sup>2</sup>. So, to know the total Q; we must know  $q \times A$ , 'right'. So, this is the flux and if area is multiplied; then we know the total heat flow or heat rate flow rate.

So, total transfer rate across the gap is capital Q = q × area and that becomes equal to this we have got 261.6 times; area we had a plate, 'right'. So, plate means it has two dimensions given 0.5 and 0.5, 'right'. So, the area becomes 0.5 into 0.5; so 0.5<sup>2</sup>.

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**Solution:**

$Pr = \nu / \alpha$ ;  $Ra = (g\beta(T_h - T_c)\delta^2) / (\nu\alpha) = (9.8)(2.86 \times 10^{-3})(400-300)(0.05)^3 / (2.076 \times 10^{-5})(2.983 \times 10^{-5}) = 3.4 \times 10^5$ ; Aspect ratio  $a = H / \delta = 0.5 / 0.05 = 10$ .

$\therefore Nu_1 = 0.0605 Ra^{(1/3)} = 0.0605 (3.4 \times 10^5)^{(0.33)} = 4.22$ ;  $Nu = 4.22$

$\therefore Nu_2 = \left\{ 1 + \left[ \frac{0.104 Ra^{0.293}}{1 + (6310 / Ra)^{1.36}} \right]^3 \right\}^{1/3} = \left\{ 1 + \left[ \frac{0.104 (3.4 \times 10^5)^{0.293}}{1 + (6310 / (3.4 \times 10^5))^{1.36}} \right]^3 \right\}^{1/3} = 4.36$

$\therefore Nu_3 = 0.024 \left( \frac{Ra}{a} \right)^{0.272} = 0.024 \left( \frac{3.4 \times 10^5}{10} \right)^{0.272} = 4.13$ ;  $Q = 65.4 W$

$Nu_{90^\circ} = \frac{q\delta}{k(T_h - T_c)} = 4.36$ ;  $\therefore q = \frac{4.36(T_h - T_c)k}{\delta} = \frac{4.36(400-300)0.03}{0.05} = 261.6 W/m^2$

$\therefore$  Total heat transfer rate across the gap is  $Q = q \times \text{area} = 261.6 \times 0.5 \times 0.5 = 65.4 W$ . From approximate correlation

$Nu_{90^\circ} = 0.073(Ra)^{1/3} \left( \frac{H}{\delta} \right)^{-1/9} = 0.073 \times (3.4 \times 10^5)^{1/3} \times (10)^{-0.11} = 3.79$

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So, that becomes equal to 65.4 W; so Q we found out to be 65.4 W. So, this is according to the best relation we have, 'right'; we used Nu is equal to Nu<sub>1</sub>, Nu<sub>2</sub>, Nu<sub>3</sub>; out of which the maximum we have taken we saw Nu<sub>2</sub> was the maximum, 'right'. And this is the accurate way of determining the heat transfer or rate or heat transfer coefficient or Nusselt number whatever we call.

Now, we had seen in the beginning; there is a very simple correlation for Nusselt number for vertical plate like that. So, it is

$Nu_{90^\circ} = 0.073(Ra)^{1/3} \left( \frac{H}{\delta} \right)^{-1/9} = 0.073 \times (3.4 \times 10^5)$ , 'right';  $\left( \frac{H}{\delta} \right)^{-1/9}$ . And this becomes 0.073 Rayleigh number;  $3.4 \times 10^5$ . We have already found out 1 by 3 means 0.33 times H by  $\delta$ ; that is 10 to the power  $-1/9$  is  $-0.11$ ; which came out to be 3.79. So, 3.79 in this case and in this case we got 4.36, 'right'; so the difference is less than 15%.

So, the accurate one which we have done is more than 15% of the approximate one; whereas, in the approximate one you can do it and remember also the relation very easily as  $0.073(Ra)^{1/3} \times (H / \delta)$ ; that is aspect H by a or h by  $\delta$  that is aspect ratio to the power  $-1/9$  'right', that came to be 3.79, 'right'.

So, this is less than 15% from the accurate one, 'right' and I; I think we had also seen in the previous slide something like this yeah. So, this was the more simple, 'right' the



$0.073(Ra)^{1/3} \times (H/\delta)^{-1/9}$ . So, when we saw that we thought that what suddenly to us; so this was the solution of this problem. So,  $0.073 \times 3.4$  that was found out after was in the next slide we got it that Rayleigh number is  $3.4 \times 10^5$ , to the power 0.33 and  $H/\delta$  that is aspect ratio to the power -0.11 or -1/9. So, it came out to be 3.79, 'right'.

So, this is how if we look at that this was for free convection; we can utilize the relations to find out free convection and the solution of the free convection, 'right'. So, I hope we have come across the convection more or less and conduction more or less very much thoroughly. And since we are also going very fast; I mean fast in the sense what time is also going out, so we have other things to cover. So, next class we will try to go into the radiation, 'right'.

Thank you.