

Final Exam

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40 points

For each problem part: 0 points if not attempted or no work shown,
1 point for partial credit, if work is shown,
2 points for correct numerical value of solution

Problem 1. (12 points)

A cylindrical aluminum rod, of diameter, d , and length L , is horizontally suspended between two heat reservoirs, which maintain the temperature at one end ($z=0$) at 400 K and at the other end ($z=l$) at 800 K. Between them a fan flows on the rod to conduct heat away. The steady state heat equation describing this set up is given below as

$$0 = \frac{k_c}{\rho C_p} \frac{d^2 T}{dz^2} - \frac{h}{\rho C_p} \frac{A}{V} (T - T_{surr})$$

where

- k_c is the thermal conductivity, $k_c = 237.0 \frac{W}{m \cdot K}$
- ρ is the mass density, $\rho = 2700.0 \frac{kg}{m^3}$
- C_p is the specific heat capacity, $C_p = 896.9 \frac{J}{kg \cdot K}$
- d is the diameter of the rod, $d = 0.025 m$
- l is the length of the rod, $l = 0.5 m$
- A is the surface area of the rod, $A = \pi d l$
- V is the volume of the rod, $V = \frac{\pi}{4} d^2 l$
- A/V is the surface area to volume ratio of the rod, $A/V = \frac{4}{d}$
- T_{surr} is the surrounding temperature, $T_{surr} = 300 K$
- h is an empirical heat transfer coefficient, $h = 40.0 \frac{W}{m^2 \cdot K}$

Answer the following questions and perform the following tasks.

- (a) Is this ODE problem linear or nonlinear?
- (b) Is this ODE problem an initial value problem or a boundary value problem?
- (c) Convert this second order ODE into a system of two first order ODEs.
- (d) Find the initial temperature gradient at $z = 0$.
- (e) Sketch the temperature profile.
- (f) Verify that your discretization resolution was sufficient.

Problem 2. (8 points)

The Hall-Petch equation states that the yield strength, σ_y , varies with grain size, d , according to

$$\sigma_y = \sigma_o + k_y \frac{1}{\sqrt{d}} \quad (1)$$

where σ_o and k_y are material-specific parameters.

[Materials Science and Engineering: An Introduction, 5th Edition, William D. Callister, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 2000, p. 167.]

For the σ_y vs d data given in the file, http://utkstair.org/clausius/docs/mse301/data/xm4p02_f17.txt, perform the following tasks. The grain size is given in mm and the yield strength in MPa.

- Identify all variables, $y = mx + b$, when equation (1) is linearized.
- Report the best value of σ_o and k_y .
- Report the standard deviations of σ_o and k_y .
- Report the measure of fit.

Problem 3. (12 points)

The addition of impurities into a metal to improve mechanical properties is known as solid solution strengthening. [Materials Science and Engineering: An Introduction, 5th Edition, William D. Callister, John Wiley & Sons, Inc., New York, 2000, p. 168.] Consider the following data for aluminum and indium solid solutions in magnesium [The Elastic Properties of Magnesium Solid Solutions, D. Hardie, *Acta Metallurgica* Vol. 19, 1971, pp. 719-723]

Aluminum			Indium		
sample #	$\Delta E/\text{atomic \%}$	$(\Delta E/\text{atomic \%})^2$	sample #	$\Delta E/\text{atomic \%}$	$(\Delta E/\text{atomic \%})^2$
1	-20.00	400.00	1	-34.37	1181.64
2	-3.33	11.11	2	-23.64	558.68
3	-10.00	100.00	3	-26.39	696.37
4	-10.00	100.00			
sum	-43.33333333	611.1111111		-84.40025253	2436.691768

ΔE = change in Young's modulus relative to pure Mg (kgf/mm²)

- Compute the sample mean of the change in Young's Modulus/atomic % for both metals.
- Compute the sample variance of the change in Young's Modulus/atomic % for both metals.
- What PDF is appropriate for determining a confidence interval on the difference of means?
- Find the lower limit on a 98% confidence interval on the difference of means.
- Find the upper limit on a 98% confidence interval on the difference of means.
- Translate your result from (d) and (e) into a statement a non-statistician can understand.

Problem 4. (8 points)

Consider the van der Waal's equation of state,

$$p = \frac{RT}{V - b} - \frac{a}{V^2}$$

Consider argon at $T=120$ K and $p = 200,000$ Pa. The van der Waals constants for argon are $a=0.1381$ m⁶/mol² and $b=3.184 \times 10^{-5}$ m³/mol. The gas constant is $R=8.314$ J/mol/K.

- (a) Is this algebraic equation linear or nonlinear in the molar volume?
- (b) What is the appropriate technique to solve this equation?
- (c) Find the liquid molar volume.
- (d) Find the vapor molar volume.