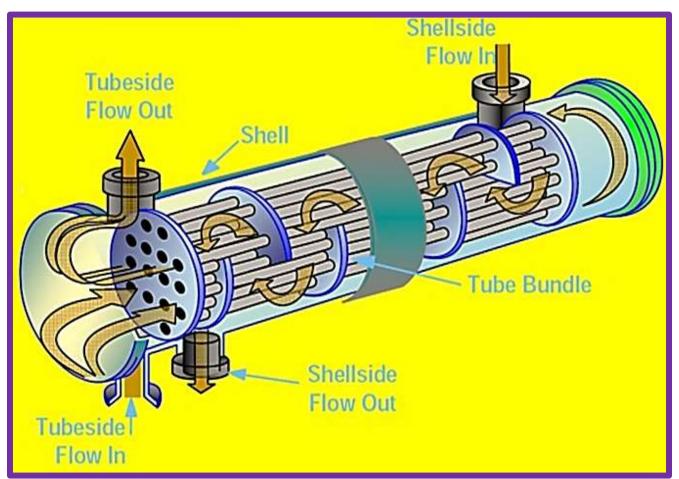


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Shell and Tube Heat Exchangers Basic Calculations

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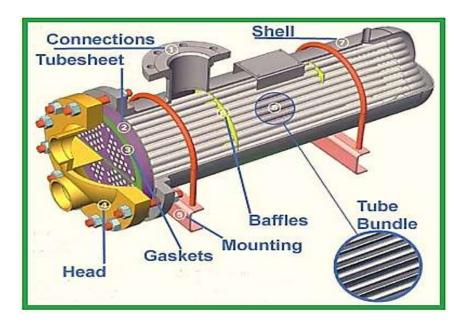
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1.0 – INTRODUCTION:

In intercoolers, boilers, pre-heaters and condensers inside power plants as well as other engineering processes, heat exchangers are utilized for controlling heat energy. Heat exchangers are devices that regulate efficient heat transfer from one fluid to another. There are two main types of heat exchangers.

- The first type of a heat exchanger is called the **recuperative type**, in which heat are exchanged on either side of a dividing wall by fluids;
- The second type is **regenerative type**, in which hot and cold fluids are in the same space which contain a matrix of materials which work alternately as source for heat flow.



The optimum thermal design of a shell and tube heat exchanger involves the consideration of many interacting design parameters which can be summarized as follows:

Process:

- 1. Process fluid assignments to shell side or tube side.
- 2. Selection of stream temperature specifications.
- 3. Setting shell side and tube side pressure drop design limits.
- 4. Setting shell side and tube side velocity limits.
- 5. Selection of heat transfer models and fouling coefficients for shell side and tube side.

Mechanical:

- 1. Selection of heat exchanger TEMA layout and number of passes.
- 2. Specification of tube parameters size, layout, pitch and material.
- 3. Setting upper and lower design limits on tube length.
- 4. Specification of shell side parameters materials, baffles cut, baffle spacing and clearances.
- 5. Setting upper and lower design limits on shell diameter, baffle cut and baffle spacing.

2.0 – CONCEPTS:

The **biggest problem in thermodynamics** is to learn and recognize **heat**, **work**, **force**, **energy**, **pow-er** and other technical terms. So to facilitate the basic comprehension of the terms used for shell and tube heat exchangers calculations it is very important to remember some concepts below:

| Unit | Multiply | To Obtain |
|--------|------------|-----------|
| 1 Btu | 1055.0 | J |
| | 1.0550 | kJ |
| | 0.2521 | kcal |
| | 107.7 | Kgf.m |
| | 778.7 | ft.lbf |
| 1 cal | 4.18 | J |
| | 0.00396 | Btu |
| | 0.00000116 | kW.h |
| 1 kcal | 1000 | cal |
| | 3.9604 | Btu |

Joule - energy exerted by the force of one Newton acting to move an object through a distance of 1 m.

| Unit | Multiply | To Obtain |
|------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 J | 0.001 | kJ |
| | 0.238 | cal |
| | 0.0002387 | kcal |
| | 0.102 | kgf.m |
| | 0.000947 | Btu |
| | 0.7375 | ft.lbf |

Watt – metrical unit for power.

| Unit | Multiply | To obtain |
|------|-----------|--------------|
| 1 W | 0.001 | kW |
| | 0.00134 | hp |
| | 0.000102 | hp (boiler) |
| | 0.0002387 | kcal/s |
| | 0.102 | kgf.m/s |
| | 0.7375 | ft.lbf/s |
| | 44.2 | ft.lbf/min |
| | 0.000948 | Btu/s |
| | 0.000284 | ton (refrig) |

Cal: The "Cal" is the standard unit of measurement for heat. The gram calorie, small calorie or calorie (cal) is the amount of energy required to raise the temperature of one gram of water from 19.5 °C to 20.5 °C under standard atmospheric pressure of 1.033 Kg/cm² (14.7 psi).

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Btu - British Thermal Unit: The "**Btu**" is the standard unit of measurement for heat. A Btu is defined as the amount of energy needed to raise the temperature of one pound of water from 58.5°F to 59.5°F under standard pressure of 30 inches of mercury (14.7 psi).

Obs.: To develop calculations there are several **softwares** and rating packages available, including the Codeware, Compress, Aspen BJAC and CC-THERM, which enable the designer to study the effects of the many interacting design parameters and achieve an optimum thermal design. These packages are supported by extensive component physical property databases and thermodynamic models.

2.1. Temperature:

Celsius: Is a temperature scale (also known as centigrade) that is named after the Swedish astronomer **Anders Celsius** (1701–1744), who developed a similar temperature scale two years before his death. Then nominally, **0** °C was defined as the freezing point of water and **100** °C was defined as the boiling point of water, both at a pressure of one **standard atmosphere (1.033 Kg/cm²)**.

Fahrenheit: Is the temperature scale proposed in 1724 by, and named after, the physicist **Daniel Gabriel Fahrenheit** (1686–1736). On the Fahrenheit scale, the **freezing point** of water was **32 degrees** Fahrenheit (°F) and the **boiling point 212** °F at standard atmospheric pressure (14.7 psi).

Kelvin: Is a scale that was named after the Scottish physicist **William Thomson** (1824 - 1907), 1st Baron Kelvin described about the need for an "absolute thermometric scale". The Kelvin and Celsius are often used together, as they have the same interval, and **0 Kelvin is = 273.15 degrees Celsius**.

 $\mathbf{C}^{\circ} = \frac{5 (F^{\circ} - 32)}{9} =$ $\mathbf{F}^{\circ} = 1.8C^{\circ} (F^{\circ} + 32) =$

 $C^{o} = K^{o} - 273 =$

2.2. Pressure:

Pressure (P): Is the **force** per unit **area** applied in a direction perpendicular to the surface of an object. **Gauge pressure** is the pressure relative to the local atmospheric or ambient pressure.

| Unit | Pascal (Pa) | bar (bar) | atmosphere (atm) | Torr (Torr) | pound per square inch (psi) |
|--------|-----------------------|---------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1 Pa | 1 N/m² | 0.00001 | 0.000009867 | 0.0075006 | 0.000145 |
| 1 bar | 100000 | 106 dyn/cm2 | 0.9867 | 750 | 14.5 |
| 1 at | 98066 | 0.980665 | 0.968 | 735.5 | 14.223 |
| 1 atm | 101325 | 1.01325 | 1 atm | 760 | 14.7 |
| 1 torr | 133.322 | 0.013332 | 0.0013158 | 1 mmHg | 0.0193 |
| 1 psi | 0.006894 | 0.068948 | 0.068046 | 51.72 | 1 lbf/in ² |

2.3. Energy Unit Conversions:

| Unit | Multiply | To Obtain |
|---------------------------------|----------|---|
| | 0.3002 | Ton (refrig) |
| 1 Btu/s | 1.056 | kW |
| | 1.435 | hp |
| | 106.6 | kgf.m/s |
| | 778.8 | ft.lbf/s |
| | 1.0 | Joule/kilogram/°C = J/(kg.°C) |
| 1 joule/kilogram/K = J/(kg.K) = | 0.001 | Joule/gram/°C = J/(g.°C)] |
| | 0.001 | kilojoule/kilogram/°C = kJ/(kg.°C) |
| 1 joule/kilogram/°C = J/(kg.°C) | 0.000239 | Calorie /gram/°C = cal/(g.°C) |
| | 0.000239 | kilocalorie /kilogram/°C = kcal/(kg.°C) |
| | 0.000239 | kilocalorie /kilogram/K = kcal/(kg.K) |
| | 0.102 | kilogram-force meter/kilogram/K |
| | 0.000239 | Btu/pound/°F = Btu/(lb.°F) |
| | 0.000423 | Btu/pound/°C = Btu/(lb.°C) |
| | 1.0 | kilocalorie /kilogram/°C = kcal/(kg.°C) |
| 1 Btu/pound/°F = Btu/(lb°F) | 1.8 | Btu/pound/°C = Btu/(lb.°C) |
| | 4186.8 | joule/kilogram/K = J/(kg.K) |
| | 4186.8 | joule/kilogram/°C = J/(kg.°C) |
| | 4.1868 | joule/gram/°C = J/(g.°C) |
| | 4.1868 | kilojoule/kilogram/K = kJ/(kg.K) |
| | 4.1868 | kilojoule/kilogram/°C = kJ/(kg.°C) |
| | 426.9 | kilogram-force.meter/kilogram/K |
| | 778.2 | pound-force.foot/pound/°R |

3.0 – BASIC CONCEPT OF SPECIFIC HEAT:

Specific Heat: Is defined as the amount of heat energy needed to raise 1 gram of a substance 1°C in temperature, or, the amount of energy needed to raise one pound of a substance 1°F in temperature.

 $Q = m.Cp. (T_2 - T_1)$

Where:

Q = heat energy (Joules) (Btu); m = mass of the substance (kilograms) (pounds); Cp = specific heat of the substance (J/kg°C) (Btu/pound/°F); ($T_{2-}T_1$) = is the change in temperature (°C) (°F).

The higher the specific heat, the more energy is required to cause a change in temperature. Substances es with higher specific heats **require more of heat energy** to lower temperature than do substances with a low specific heat.

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Example 1: Using metric units and imperial units, how much energy is required to heat 350 grams (0.77 pounds) of gold from 10°C (50°F) to 50°C (122°F)?

Mass = 350g = 0.35 Kg = **0.77 lb** Specific heat of gold = 0.129 J/(g.°C) = 129 J/(Kg.°C) x 0.000239 = **0.0308 Btu/(lb.°F)**

 $Q = m.Cp. (T_2 - T_1) =$

Metric Units:

Q = (0.35 Kg) (129 J/(Kg.°C) (50°C - 10°C) =

Q = 1806 J

Conversion: 1806 joules x 0.000947 = **1.71 Btu**

Evaluation in Btu :

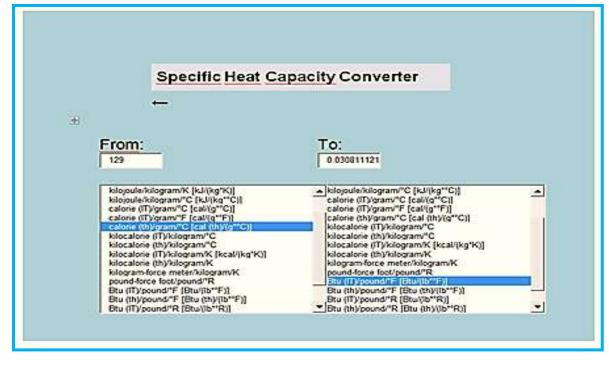
 $Q = m.Cp. (T_2 - T_1) =$

Imperial Units:

Q = (0.77 lb) (0.0308 Btu/(lb.°F) (122°F - 50°F) =

Q = 1.71 Btu

Consult www.unitconversion.org (to convert energy units):



Some samples of specific heat values are presented in the table below:

| Product | Specific Heat | t Capacity - Cp |
|-------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| FIOUUCI | (J⁄ g ℃) | (Btu/lb °F) |
| Alcohol, ethyl 32°F (ethanol) | 2.3 | 0.55 |
| Ammonia, 104°F | 4.86 | 1.16 |
| Castor Oil | 1.8 | 0.43 |
| Dowtherm | 1.55 | 0.37 |
| Freon R-12 saturated 0°F | 0.91 | 0.217 |
| Fuel Oil max. | 2.09 | 0.5 |
| Gasoline | 2.22 | 0.53 |
| Heptane | 2.24 | 0.535 |
| Kerosene | 2.01 | 0.48 |
| Gold | 0.129 | 0.0308 |
| Light Oil, 60°F | 1.8 | 0.43 |
| Light Oil, 300°F | 2.3 | 0.54 |
| Mercury | 0.14 | 0.03 |
| Octane | 2.15 | 0.51 |
| Oil, mineral | 1.67 | 0.4 |
| Olive oil | 1.97 | 0.47 |
| Petroleum | 2.13 | 0.51 |
| Propane, 32°F | 2.4 | 0.576 |
| Propylene Glycol | 2.5 | 0.60 |
| Sodium chloride | 3.31 | 0.79 |
| Soya bean oil | 1.97 | 0.47 |
| Toluene | 1.72 | 0.41 |
| Water, fresh | 4.19 | 1 |
| Water, sea 36°F | 3.93 | 0.94 |

4.0 - HEAT EXCHANGERS CALCULATIONS:

The main basic Heat Exchanger equation is:

$Q = U \times A \times \Delta T_{m}$

The log mean temperature difference ΔTm is:

$$\Delta T_{m} = \underbrace{(T_{1} - t_{2}) - (T_{2} - t_{1})}_{ln \underbrace{(T_{1} - t_{2})}_{(T_{2} - t_{1})}} = {}^{\circ}F$$

Where:

 T_1 = Inlet tube side fluid temperature; t_2 = Outlet shell side fluid temperature;

 T_2 = Outlet tube side fluid temperature;

 $t_1 =$ Inlet shell side fluid temperature.

Note: When used as a design equation to calculate the required heat transfer surface area, the equation can be rearranged to become:

$A = Q/(U \times \Delta T_m) =$

Where:

A = Heat transfer area (m²) (ft²);

Q = Heat transfer rate (kJ/h) (Btu\h);

U = Overall heat transfer coefficient (kJ/h.m².°C) (Btu/h°F);

 ΔT_m = Log mean temperature difference (°C) (°F).

And:

 $C_{t=}$ Liquid specific heat, tube side (kJ/kg°K) (Btu/lb°F); $C_{s=}$ Liquid specific heat, shell side (kJ/kg°K) (Btu/lb°F).

4.1. The Overall Design Process:

Here is a set of steps for the process. Design of a heat exchanger is an iterative (trial & error) process:

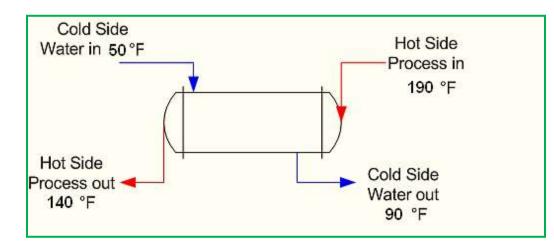
- Calculate the required heat transfer rate, **Q**, in **Btu/hr** from specified information about fluid flow rates and temperatures.
- Make an initial estimate of the overall heat transfer coefficient, U, based on the fluids involved.
- Calculate the log mean temperature difference, ΔTm, from the inlet and outlet temperatures of the two fluids.
- Calculate the estimated heat transfer area required, using: $A = Q/(U \Delta Tm)$.
- Select a preliminary heat exchanger configuration.
- Make a more detailed estimate of the overall heat transfer coefficient, **U**, based on the preliminary heat exchanger configuration.
- Estimate the pressure drop across the heat exchanger. If it is too high, revise the heat exchanger configuration until the pressure drop is acceptable.
- If the new estimate of U is different than the previous estimate, repeat steps 4 through 7 as many times as necessary until the two estimates are the same to the desired degree of accuracy.
 Input information needed. In order to start the heat exchanger design process, several items of information are needed as follows:
- ✓ The two fluids involved need to be identified;
- ✓ The heat capacity of each fluid is needed;
- ✓ The required initial and final temperatures for one of the fluids are needed;
- ✓ The design value of the initial temperature for the other fluid is needed;
- ✓ An initial estimate for the value of the **Overall Heat Transfer Coefficient, U**, is needed.

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Note: In calculation, knowing the first four items allows determination of the required heat transfer rate, **Q**, and the inlet and outlet temperatures of both fluids, thus allowing calculation of the log mean temperature difference, ΔT_m . With values now available for **Q**, **U**, and ΔT_m , an initial estimate for the required heat transfer area can be calculated from the equation:

$A = Q / (U \cdot \Delta T_m)$

Example 2: Estimate the **heat exchanger area** needed to cool **55,000 lb/hr** of a light oil (**specific heat** = **0.74 Btu/lb.°F**) from **190°F to 140°F** using cooling water that is available at **50°F**. The cooling water can be allowed to heat to **90°F**. An initial estimate of the **Overall Heat Transfer Coefficient** is **120 Btu/hr.ft².°F**. Also estimate the **required mass flow rate of cooling water**.



Solution: First calculate the required heat transfer rate for the above indicated light oil:

Imperial Units:

Q = m.Cp. (T₂ - T₁) = 55,000 lb/hr x 0.74 Btu/lb°F (190 - 140) °F = 2,035,000 Btu/hr.

Next calculate the log mean temperature difference (ΔT_m):

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{T}_{1=} \text{ Inlet tube side fluid temperature (light oil hot side = 190 °F);} \\ \textbf{t}_{2=} \text{ Outlet shell side fluid temperature (water cold side = 90 °F);} \\ \textbf{T}_{2=} \text{ Outlet tube side fluid temperature (light oil cold side = 140 °F);} \\ \textbf{t}_{1=} \text{ Inlet shell side fluid temperature (water cold side = 50 °F).} \end{array}$

$$\Delta Tm = (190 - 90) - (140 - 50) = ^{\circ}F$$

$$\ln (190 - 90) - (140 - 50)$$

$$\Delta Tm = (100) - (90) = ^{\circ}F$$

$$\ln (100) - (90) = ^{\circ}F$$

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 $\Delta Tm = 10 = 94.9 \ ^{\circ}F$

The preliminary area estimate of the heat exchanger can now be calculated as:

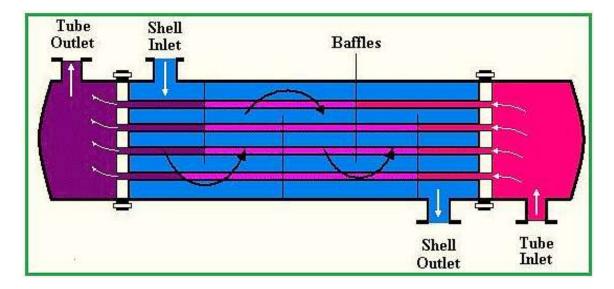
$A = Q / (U \times \Delta Tm) =$

$$A = 2,035,000 \text{ Btu/hr} = 178.7 \text{ ft}^{2}$$
(120 Btu/h.ft².°F).(94.9°F)

The required mass flow rate of water can be calculated from Q = m.Cp. ΔTm:

Rearranging:

m = (2,035,000 Btu/hr) = 28,978 lb/hr(0.74Btu/lb.°F)(94.9°F)



Example 3: Taking the shell and tube heat exchanger described in Example 1, how many tubes of **3** inch diameter and **10** ft length should be used?

Solution: The surface area per tube will be:

Sa = \piDL = \pi (3/12) (10) ft² = 7.854 ft² - (D - tube diameter in ft).

The number of tubes required would thus be:

n = $\frac{178.7 \text{ ft}^2}{7.854 \text{ ft}^2}$ = **22.7 tubes (23 or 24 tubes)**.

Obs.: The next step would be to check on the pressure drop for this tube configuration and the specified flow. If the pressure drop is acceptable, then the **Overall Heat Transfer Coefficient (U)** could be re-estimated for this heat exchanger configuration.

4.2. Calculation Concepts:

It is frequently necessary to determine the performance of a particular heat exchanger under conditions of other than that for which it was designed.

Input:

1. Overall Heat Transfer Coefficient "U" (Btu/hr.ft².°F). For the heat exchanger under design.

- 2. Area (ft²). Heat transfer area of the heat exchanger under consideration.
- 3. Entering temperature hot (°F). The fluid temperature on the "hot" side of the heat exchanger.
- 4. Entering temperature cold (°F). The fluid temperature on the "cold" side of the heat exchanger.

Example 4: Assume a redesign of a **gasoline heat exchanger**, area **8.9 ft**², flow rate hot **8 gpm**, operating on **135°F** to another heat exchanger operating on **150°F** flow rate hot **10.30 gpm**, using the Overall Heat Transfer Coefficient, **800 Btu/hr.ft².°F.** What would be the impact in capacity, calculating only as a comparison?

Imperial Units:

✓ Input using 135 °F:

- 1. Gasoline = 0.53 Btu/lb.°F
- 2. Overall "U" = 800 Btu/hr.ft².°F
- 2. Area = 8.90 ft²
- 3. Entering temp hot = 135.00 °F
- 4. Entering temp cold = 110.00 °F
- 5. Flow rate hot = 8.00 gpm = 2961.6 lb/h

Capacity:

Q = 2961.6 lb/h x 0.53 Btu/lb°F (135 – 110) °F = **39,241 Btu/hr**.

The ΔT_m can be calculated, since the indicated heat exchanger area is, 8.90 ft²:

 $A = Q / (U \times \Delta T_m) =$

8.90 ft² = 39,241 Btu/hr (800Btu/h.ft².°F).(ΔT_m °F)

ΔT_m = 5.5 °F

✓ Input using 150 °F:

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- 1. Overall "U" 800 Btu/hr.ft².°F;
- 2. Area = 8.90 ft^2 ;
- 3. Entering temp hot = 150.00 F;
- 4. Entering temp cold = 110.00 F;
- 5. Flow rate hot = 10.30 gpm = 3,813 lb/h.

Capacity:

Q = 3,813 lb/h x 0.53 Btu/lb°F (150 – 110) °F = **80,835 Btu/hr**.

 $A = Q / (U \times \Delta T_m) =$

8.90 ft² = 80,835 Btu/hr (800Btu/h.ft².°F).(ΔT_m °F)

 $\Delta T_m = 11.3$ °F.

4.3. Concept of Overall Heat Transfer Coefficient, U:

For a given heat transfer service with known mass flow rates and inlet and outlet temperatures the determination of **Q** is direct and ΔTm can be easily calculated if a flow arrangement is selected (e.g. **Logarithmic Mean Temperature** difference for pure countercurrent or concurrent flow). The literature has many tabulations of such typical coefficients for commercial heat transfer services.

4.4. Heating up With Steam:

The amount of heat required to raise the temperature of a substance can be expressed as:

Q = m.cp.dT =

Where:

Q = Quantity of energy or heat (kJ) (Btu);
m = Mass of the substance (kg) (lb);
cp = Specific heat capacity of the substance (kJ/kg °C) or (Btu/(lb.°F);
dT = Temperature rise of the substance (°C) (°F).

4.5. Non-flow or Batch Heating:

In non-flow type applications the process fluid is kept as a single batch within a tank or vessel. A steam coil or a steam jacket heats the fluid from a low to a high temperature. In heat exchangers the product or fluid flow is continuously heated. The mean rate of heat transfer for such applications can be expressed as:

q = m.cp.dT / t =

Where:

q = Mean heat transfer rate (kW) (kJ/s) (HP) (Btu/s);

m = Mass of the product (kg) (lb);

cp = Specific heat capacity of the product (kJ/kg°C) (Btu/(lb.°F);

 $\label{eq:dt} \textbf{dT} = Change \ in \ temperature \ of \ the \ fluid \ (^{\circ}C) \ (^{\circ}F);$

 \boldsymbol{t} = Total time over which the heating process occurs (seconds).

Following is a table with values for different applications and heat exchanger types:

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| Typical Overall Heat Transfer Coefficients in Heat Exchangers | | | | | | |
|---|--|-------------|-----------------|--|--|--|
| Туре | Application and Conditions | U | U | | | |
| | | W/(m².K) | Btu/(hr.ft².°F) | | | |
| Tubular, heat- | Gases at atmospheric pressure inside and outside tubes | 5 - 35 | 1 - 6 | | | |
| ing or cooling | Gases at high pressure inside and outside tubes | 150 - 500 | 25 - 90 | | | |
| | Liquid outside (inside) and gas at atmospheric pressure inside (outside) tubes | 15 - 70 | 3 - 15 | | | |
| | Gas at high pressure inside and liquid outside tubes | 200 - 400 | 35 - 70 | | | |
| | Liquids inside and outside tubes | 150 - 1200 | 25 - 200 | | | |
| | Steam outside and liquid inside tubes | 300 - 1200 | 50 - 200 | | | |
| Tubular, con- | Steam outside and cooling water inside tubes | 1500 - 4000 | 250 - 700 | | | |
| densation | Organic vapors or ammonia outside and cooling water inside tubes | 300 - 1200 | 50 - 200 | | | |
| Tubular, evapo- | Steam outside and high-viscous liquid inside tubes, natural circulation | 300 - 900 | 50 - 150 | | | |
| ration | Steam outside and low-viscous liquid inside tubes, natural circulation | 600 - 1700 | 100 - 300 | | | |
| | Steam outside and liquid inside tubes, forced circulation | 900 - 3000 | 150 – 500 | | | |
| Air-cooled heat | Cooling of water | 600 - 750 | 100 - 130 | | | |
| exchangers | Cooling of liquid light hydrocarbons | 400 - 550 | 70 - 95 | | | |
| | Cooling of tar | 30 - 60 | 5 - 10 | | | |
| | Cooling of air or flue gas | 60 - 180 | 10 - 30 | | | |
| | Cooling of hydrocarbon gas | 200 - 450 | 35 - 80 | | | |
| | Condensation of low pressure steam | 700 - 850 | 125 - 150 | | | |
| | Condensation of organic vapors | 350 - 500 | 65 - 90 | | | |
| Plate heat ex- changer | Liquid to liquid | 1000 - 4000 | 150 - 700 | | | |
| Spiral heat ex- | Liquid to liquid | 700 - 2500 | 125 - 500 | | | |
| changer | Condensing vapor to liquid | 900 - 3500 | 150 - 700 | | | |

Note: 1 Btu/(hr.ft².°F) = 5.6785 W/(m².K). Coefficients are based on outside bare tube surface.

4.6. Flow or Continuous Heating Processes:

The mean heat transfer can be expressed as:

q = cp.dT. m / t =

Where:

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q = Mean heat transfer rate (kW) (kJ/s) (HP) (Btu/s);

- **m / t** = Mass flow rate of the product (kg/s) (lb/s);
- **cp** = Specific heat capacity of the product (kJ/kg°C) (Btu/(lb°F);
- **dT** = Change in temperature of the fluid (°C) (°F).

4.7. Calculating the Amount of Steam:

If we know the heat transfer rate - the amount of steam can be calculated:

 $m = q / h_e =$

Where:

m = Mass of steam (kg/s) (lb/s);
q = Calculated heat transfer (kW) (kJ/s) (HP) (Btu/s);
h_e = Evaporation energy (latent heat) of the steam (kJ/kg) (Btu/lb) – (see steam tables).

Example 4: A quantity of water is heated with steam of 5 bar (72.5 psi) from a temperature of 35 $^{\circ}C$ (95 $^{\circ}F$) to 100 $^{\circ}C$ (212 $^{\circ}F$) over a period of 1200 s. The mass of water is 50 kg (110 lb) and the Specific Heat capacity of water is 4.19 kJ/kg $^{\circ}C$ (1.0 Btu/(lb. $^{\circ}F$).

The heat transfer rate is:

Metric Units:

 $\mathbf{q} = (50 \text{ kg}) (4.19 \text{ kJ/kg} ^{\circ}\text{C}) (100 ^{\circ}\text{C} - 35 ^{\circ}\text{C}) / (1200 \text{ s}) =$

q = 11.35 kJ/s = 11.35 kW

Imperial Units:

q = (110 lb) (1.0 Btu/(lb.°F) (212°F - 95°F) / (1200 s) =

q = 10.72 Btu/s = 15.4 HP

The amount of steam: At 5 bar g (72.5 psi) considering absolute 6 bar, saturation temperature (T_s) is 158.9°C (318 °F), and the Latent Heat (or Specific Enthalpy) $h_e = 2085 \text{ kJ/kg} = 896.4 \text{ Btu/lb}$ (from steam tables).

Metric Units:

m = (11.35 kJ/s) (2085 kJ/kg)

m = 0.0055 kg/s = (19.8 kg/h)

Imperial Units:

Converting $-h_e = 2085 \text{ kJ/kg} = 896.4 \text{ Btu/lb}$, we find:

m = (10.72 Btu/s) (896.4 Btu/lb)

m = 0.012 lb/s = (43.0 lb/h)

Example 5: Water flowing at a constant rate of 3.0 l/s (0.79 gal/s) is **heated** from $10^{\circ}C$ (50°F) to $60^{\circ}C$ (140°F) with **steam flow** at 8 bar. At 8 bar g (absolute 9 bar), **saturation temperature** (T_s) is 175°C, and h_e = 2029 kJ/kg (from steam tables). It is assumed that 1 litre of water has a mass of 1 kg.

Mass flowrate = 3.0 l/s (0.79 gal/s) x 1 kg/l = 3.0 kg/s (6.60 lb/s).

 $h_e = 2029 \text{ kJ/kg}$ is equal to 872.3 Btu/lb.

cp (water) = 4.19 kJ/kg°C is equal to 1.0 Btu/(lb°F.

a) Metric Units:

 $q = (4.19 \text{ kJ/kg}^{\circ}\text{C}) (60 \circ \text{C} - 10 \circ \text{C}) (3 \text{ l/s}) (1 \text{ kg/l}) =$

q = 628.5 kJ/s = 628.5 kW

b) Imperial Units:

q = (1.0 Btu/(lb.°F) (140°F - 50°F) (6.60 lb/s) =

q = 594 Btu/s = 840 HP

The steam flow rate can be expressed as:

Metric Units:

 $m = \frac{(628.5 \text{ kJ/s})}{(2029 \text{ kJ/kg})}$

m = 0.31 kg/s (1,115 kg/h)

a) Imperial Units:

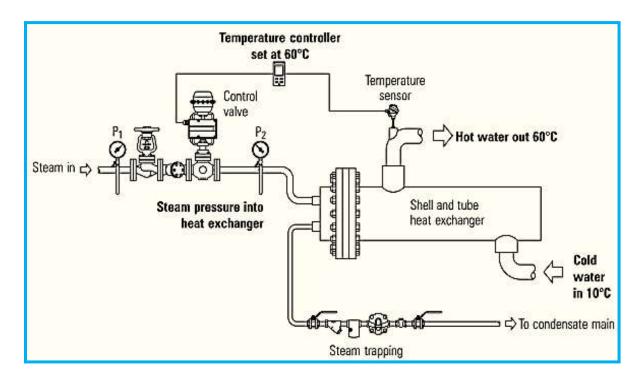
m = (595.7 Btu/s) (872.3 Btu/lb)

m = 0.683 lb/s = (2,459 lb/h)

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5.0. – TEMPERATURE CONTROLLED APPLICATIONS:

The term heat exchanger is used to describe all types of equipment where heat transfer is promoted from one fluid to another. For convenience, this broad definition will be applied to the term heat exchanger. In a temperature control application, the inlet temperature of the secondary fluid to the heat exchanger may change with time. This can be achieved by using a control valve on the inlet to the primary side of the heat exchanger, as shown in figure below:



5.1. Typical Temperature Control of a Steam/Water Shell and Tube Heat Exchanger:

A control valve is used to vary the flow rate and pressure of the steam so that the heat input to the heat exchanger can be controlled. Modulating the position of the control valve then controls the outlet temperature of the secondary fluid. A sensor on the secondary fluid outlet monitors its temperature and provides a signal for the controller to compare the actual temperature with the set temperature and, as a result, signals the actuator to adjust the position of the control valve.

On partially closing the control valve, the steam pressure and the temperature difference fall. Conversely, if the control valve is opened so that the steam mass flow and hence pressure in the heat exchanger rise, the mean temperature difference between the two fluids increases. Altering the steam pressure will also slightly affect the amount of heat energy available in the condensing steam as the enthalpy of evaporation actually falls with increasing pressure.

Example 6: A manufacturer is to design a heat exchanger in which the specification takes some steam at **4 bar g (58 psi g)** to heat secondary water from **10°C (50°F) to 60°C (140°F)**. It is assumed that **1 litre of water has a mass of 1 kg**.

Mass flow rate = 1.5 l/s (24 gpm) x 1 kg/l = 1.5 kg/s (3.30 lb/s).

The manufacturer uses a **Heat Transfer Coefficient 'U'** for the heat exchanger of **2500 W/m2°C (440 Btu/hr.ft².°F)**. Take the **Specific Heat** of water (cp) as **4.19 kJ/kg°C = 4190 J/ kg°C (1.0 Btu/lb.°F)**.

Determine:

a) The design heat load;

- **b)** The corresponding steam flow rate;
- c) The minimum heating area required.

When the minimum heat load occurs when the inlet water temperature rises to 30°C (86°F), determine:

- d) The minimum heat load;
- e) The corresponding steam pressure in the heat exchanger;
- f) The corresponding steam flow rate.

Calculations:

a) Find the design heat load using the heat transfer flow rate equation:

$Q = m.cp. \Delta T_{m=}$

Where:

$$\begin{split} & \textbf{Q} = \text{Heat transfer flow rate (kJ/s) (kW)} - (\text{Btu/s) (HP)}; \\ & \textbf{m} = \text{mass of steam (kg/s) (lb/s)}; \\ & \textbf{cp} = \text{Specific heat capacity of the secondary fluid (kJ/kg^{\circ}C)} - (\text{Btu/lb}^{\circ}F); \\ & \textbf{\Delta}T_m = \text{Temperature rise of the secondary fluid (K or ^{\circ}C)}. \end{split}$$

a) Metric Units:

Q = 1.5 kg/s x 4.19 kJ/kg°C (60 – 10)°C =

Q = 314.25 kJ/s = 314.25 kW

b) Imperial Units:

Q = 3.30 lb/s x 1.0 Btu/lb.°F x (140°F - 50°F) =

Q = 297 Btu/s = 420 HP

b) Find the corresponding steam flow rate:

At 4 bar g, $(39^{\circ}F)$ the saturation temperature (T_s) is 152°C $(305^{\circ}F)$, and $h_e = 2108.1 \text{ kJ/kg} = 2,108,100 \text{ J/kg} = 906 \text{ Btu/lb}$ (from steam tables). Calculate the required steam flow at the design condition using equation below:

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a) Metric Units:

Steam flowrate (m) = <u>314.25 x 3600</u> (kg/h) 2108.1

Steam flowrate (m) = 536.6 kg/h

b) Imperial Units:

Steam flowrate (m) = 297 x 3600 (lb/h) = 906 Btu/lb

Steam flowrate (m) = 1180 lb/h

c) Find the minimum heating area to meet the requirement.

Use the LMTD (ΔT_m) to calculate the minimum amount of heating area to satisfy the design rating:

$$\Delta T_{m} = \frac{(T_{2} - T_{1})}{\frac{\ln (T_{s} - T_{1})}{(T_{s} - T_{2})}}$$

 ΔT_{m} = Logarithmic Mean Temperature Difference (LMTD);

 T_s = Steam temperature = (152 °C) (305°F);

 T_1 = Secondary fluid in temperature = (10 °C) (50°F);

 T_2 = Secondary fluid out temperature = (60°C) (140°F);

In = The mathematical function known as "natural logarithm".

a) Metric Units:

$$\Delta T_{m} = \frac{(60 - 10)}{\ln (152 - 10)}$$

$$\Delta T_{m} = \frac{50}{\ln (142)}$$

$$\Delta T_{m} = \frac{50}{(92)}$$

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$\Delta T_m = 115^{\circ}C$

b) Imperial Units:

$$\Delta T_{m} = \frac{(140 - 50)}{\ln (305 - 50)}$$
$$\Delta T_{m} = \frac{90}{\frac{\ln (255)}{(165)}}$$
$$\Delta T_{m} = \frac{90}{0.435}$$

$\Delta T_m = 206^{\circ}F$

By re-arranging the general heat transfer equation ($Q = U \times A \times \Delta T_m$):

Where:

A = Heating area (m²); **Q** = Mean heat transfer rate (W); **U** = Heat transfer coefficient (W/m²C); **ΔT**_M = Mean Temperature Difference.

Obs: ΔT_{M} may be either ΔT_{LM} (LMTD) or ΔT_{AM} (AMTD).

Metric Units:

A = 1.09 m²

Imperial Units:

A = 1,072,800 Btu/h 440 Btu/hr.ft².°Fx 239°F

A = 10.2 ft²

d) Find the minimum heat load, when the inlet water temperature is 30°C:

Q = m.cp. ΔT =

a) Metric Units:

 $Q = 1.5 \text{ kg/s x } 4.19 \text{ kJ/kg}^{\circ}\text{C} (60 \,^{\circ}\text{C} - 30 \,^{\circ}\text{C}) =$

Q = 188.5 kJ/s = 188.5 kW

b) Imperial Units:

Q = 3.30 lb/s x 1.0 Btu/lb.°F x (140°F - 86°F) =

Q = 178.2 Btu/s = 252 HP

5.2. TDC Method - Temperature Design Constant:

When the data sets are not available and the **heat exchanger is already installed in service**, **TDC** can be calculated by observing the steam pressure (and finding the steam temperature from steam tables) and the corresponding secondary inlet and outlet temperatures at any load.

Once the exchanger size is fixed and the design temperatures are known, it easier to predict operating temperatures using what could be termed a heat exchanger **Temperature Design Constant (TDC)**.

The **TDC method** does not require logarithmic calculations.

$$TDC = \frac{T_s - T_1}{T_s - T_2}$$

Where:

TDC = Temperature Design Constant;

- T_s = Steam temperature;
- **T**₁ = Secondary fluid inlet temperature;
- T₂ = Secondary fluid outlet temperature.

Example 7: Consider the following design conditions:

Steam Pressure= 4 bar g (58 psi g);Inlet water temperature (T_1)= 10°C (50°F);Outlet water temperature (T_2)= 60°C (140°F);Steam temperature at 4 bar g (T_s)= 152°C (305.6°F).

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a) Metric Units:

TDC = $\frac{T_s - T_1}{T_s - T_2}$ **TDC =** $\frac{152 - 10}{152 - 60}$ **TDC =** $\frac{142}{92}$

TDC = 1.543 (for this particular Heat Exchanger).

b) Imperial Units:

TDC = 305.6 - 50305.6 - 140 TDC = 255.6

165.6

TDC = 1.543 (for this particular Heat Exchanger).

Note: The TDC equation can be transposed to find any one variable as long as the other three variables are known. The following equations are derived from the TDC equation.

a) To find the steam temperature at any load:

$$\mathbf{T_s} = \underbrace{(T_2 \text{ x TDC}) - T_1}_{\text{TDC} - 1}$$

b) To find the secondary fluid inlet temperature at any load:

 $T_1 = T_s - [TDC (T_s - T_2)]$

c) To find the secondary fluid outlet temperature at any load:

$$\mathbf{T_2} = \mathbf{T_s} - \underbrace{(\mathbf{T_s} - \mathbf{T_1})}_{\text{TDC}}$$

Obs: For any heat exchanger with a constant secondary flow rate, the operating steam temperature can be calculated for any **combination** of **inlet temperature** and **outlet temperature**.

Example 8: The secondary **water outlet temperature** remains at **60°C**, and minimum load occurs when the **inlet temperature** is **30°C**. What will be the steam temperature at minimum load?

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Inlet temperature = 30°C

Outlet temperature = 60°C

 $T_{s} = \frac{(T_{2} \times TDC) - T_{1}}{TDC - 1}$ $T_{s} = \frac{(60 \times 1.543) - 30}{1.543 - 1}$ $T_{s} = \frac{62.58}{0.543}$

 $T_{s} = 115.2^{\circ}C = 239.3^{\circ}F$

Imperial Units:

e) Find the corresponding heat exchanger steam pressure and enthalpy at minimum load:

1) A steam temperature of 115.2°C (239.3°F) corresponds a steam pressure of 0.7 bar g.

2) The Specific Enthalpy of evaporation at 0.7 bar g (h_e) = 2 215 kJ/kg (see steam tables).

f) Find the steam flow rate at minimum load:

From (d) the minimum heat load is 188.5 kW = 252 HP;

From (e) the h_e is 2 215 kJ/kg = 952 Btu/lb.

Steam flowrate (m) = $\frac{kW \times 3600}{h_e}$ kg/h =

Steam flowrate (m) = 188.5 kW x 3600 kg/h = 2 215 kJ/kg

Steam flowrate (m) = 306.4 kg/h (at minimum load):

Imperial Units:

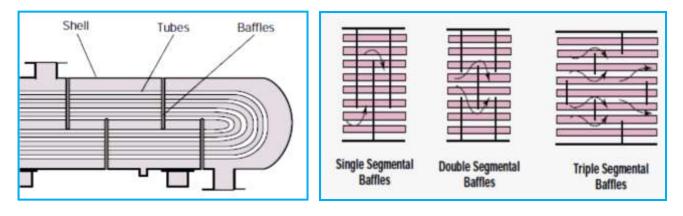
Steam flowrate (m) = 178 Btu/s x 3600 lb/h = 952 Btu/lb

Steam flowrate (m) = 673 lb/h (at minimum load).

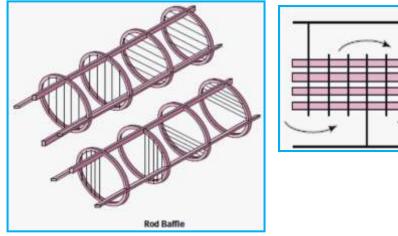
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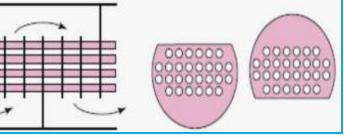
Baffles: are used to support tubes and enable a desirable velocity for the fluid to be maintained at the shell side, and prevent failure of tubes due to flow-induced vibration. There are **two types** of baffles; **plate and rod**.

✓ Plate baffles may be single-segmental, double-segmental, or triple-segmental:



✓ Rod Baffles:





Shell side cross flow area $\mathbf{a_s}$ is given by:

$$a_s = D.C.B$$

 P_T

Where:

 a_{s} = Shell side cross flow area

- D = Shell Inside diameter
- **C** = Clearance between tubes

B = Baffle spacing

PT = Tube pitch

- The minimum spacing (pitch) of baffles normally should not be closer than 1/5 of shell diameter (ID) or 2 inches whichever is greater.
- The maximum spacing (pitch) spacing does not normally exceed the shell diameter. Tube support plate spacing determined by mechanical considerations, e.g. strength and vibration.

Maximum spacing is given by:

 $B = 74 d_0^{0.75}$

Most failures occur when unsupported **tube length is greater than 80%** due the designer is trying to limit the shell side pressure drop.

Baffle cuts. Can vary **between 15% and 45%** and are expressed as ratio of segment opening height to shell inside diameter. The upper limit ensures every pair of baffles will support each tube. **Kern shell side pressure drop** correlations are based on **25% cut** which is standard for liquid on shell side.

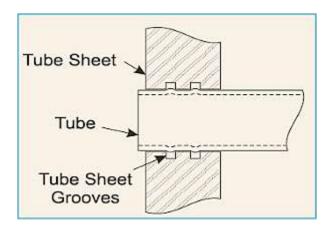
Baffle clearances. The **outer tube limit (OTL)** is the diameter created by encircling the outermost tubes in a tube layout. The actual **OTL is usually 1.5 times** the design pressure. It is used during a **hydrostatic test that detects leaks** at any joint on the heat exchanger.

For example **fixed tube-sheet clearances** are shown below:

| Shell inside diameter mm (in) = | Clearance shell I.D and OTL mm (in) = |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 254 (10) to 610 (24) | 11 (7/16) |
| ≥ 635 (25) | 13 (1/2) |

6.1. Tube-sheets:

Tube sheets are usually made from a **round flat piece of metal** with holes drilled for the tube ends in a precise location and pattern relative to one another. Tubes are attached to the tube sheet by pneumatic or hydraulic pressure or by roller expansion. **Tube holes** are **drilled and reamed** and can be machined with **one or more grooves**. This greatly increases the strength of the tube joint.

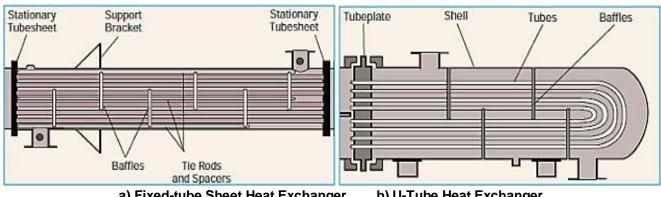


6.2. Heat Exchanger Bundles:

Tube bundles are also known as tube stacks are designed for applications according to customer requirements, including direct replacements for existing units. There are two types of tube bundles:

a) Fixed Tube Sheet. A fixed-tube sheet heat exchanger has straight tubes that are secured at both ends by tube sheets welded to the shell.

b) U-Tube. As the name implies, the tubes of a U-tube heat exchanger are bent in the shape of a U and there is only one tube sheet in a U-tube heat exchanger.



a) Fixed-tube Sheet Heat Exchanger. b) U-Tube Heat Exchanger.

Bundle diameter, Db, can be estimated using constants shown:

$$D_b = d_o (N_t / K_1)^{1/n} =$$

Where:

d_o = Tube Outside Diameter;

 N_t = Number of tubes.

 $K_1 - n =$ see table below:

| Triangular Pitch pt = 1.25 do | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|--------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--|
| Number Passes | es 1 2 4 6 8 | | | | | |
| K ₁ | 0.319 | 0.249 | 0.175 | 0.0743 | 0.0365 | |
| n | 2.142 | 2.207 | 2.285 | 2.499 | 2.675 | |

| Square Pitch pt = 1.25 do | | | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--|
| Number Passes | Number Passes 1 2 4 6 8 | | | | | |
| K ₁ | 0.215 | 0.156 | 0.158 | 0.0402 | 0.0331 | |
| n | 2.207 | 2.291 | 2.263 | 2.617 | 2.643 | |

6.3. Tube Diameters:

The most common sizes used are \emptyset 3/4" and \emptyset 1". Use the smallest diameter for greater heat transfer area with a minimum of \emptyset 3/4" tube due to cleaning considerations and vibration. For shorter tube lengths say < 4ft can be used \emptyset 1/2" tubes.

6.4. Tube Quantity and Length:

Select the **quantity of tubes** per side pass to give optimum velocity. **For liquids 3-5 ft/s (0.9-1.52 m/s)** can be used. **Gas velocities** are commonly used **50-100 ft/s (15-30 m/s)**. If the **velocity** cannot be achieved in a single pass **consider increasing the number of passes**. The **tube length** is determined **by heat transfer** required to process and pressure drop constraints. To meet the design pressure drop constraints may require an increase in the number of tubes and/or a reduction in tube length. Long tube lengths with few tubes may carry shell side distribution problems.

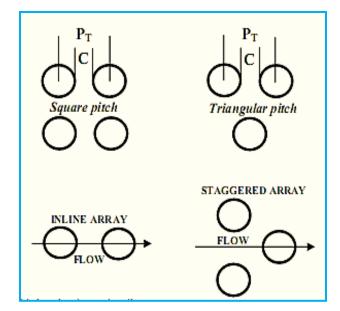
6.5. Tube Arrangement:

- Triangular pattern provides a more robust tube sheet construction.
- Square pattern simplifies cleaning and has a lower shell side pressure drop.

Tube pitch is defined as:

$$P_T = d_o + C$$

 P_T = tube pitch d_o = tube outside diameter C = clearance



Typical dimensional arrangements are shown below, all dimensions in inches.

| Tube Diameter | Square Pitch | Triangular Pitch |
|---------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| 5/8" (16 mm) | 7/8" (22 mm) (Note = 1) | 25/32" (20 mm) |
| ³⁄₄" (19 mm) | 1" (25 mm) | 15/16" or 1" (24 or 25 mm) |
| 1" (25 mm) | 1 ¼" (32 mm) | 1 ¼" (32 mm) |
| 1 ¼" (32 mm) | 1 9/16" (39 mm) | 1 9/16" (39 mm) |
| 1 ½" (38 mm) | 1 7/8" (47 mm) | 1 7/8" (47 mm) |

Note: For shell = ≤12" square pitch = 0.8125 in.

Note: The table above uses minimum pitch 1.25 times tube diameter i.e. clearance of 0.25 times tube diameter, the smallest pitch in triangular 30° layout for turbulent or laminar flow in clean service. For 90° or 45° layout allow 6.4 mm clearance for tube for ease of cleaning.

6.6. Corrosion Fouling:

Fouling is deposit formation, encrustation, deposition, scaling, scale formation, or sludge formation inside heat exchanger tubes.

6.7. Corrosion Definitions:

However if economics determine that **some corrosion is acceptable** and no data is available from past experience an allowance of **1/16 in (1.59 mm) is commonly applied**. **Typical fouling coefficients** are shown below. It can be shown that the design margin achieved by applying the combined fouling film coefficient is given by:

| | Results for Typical Fouling Coefficients (British Units) | | | | | | |
|--|--|--------|---------|----------|-------------|---------------|--|
| Fouling Resistances Fouling Coefficients | | | | | | Design Margin | |
| Inside | Outside | Inside | Outside | Combined | Clean On IC | Design Margin | |
| 0.002 | 0.001 | 500 | 1000 | 333 | 50 | 1.15 | |
| 0.002 | 0.001 | 500 | 1000 | 333 | 100 | 1.3 | |
| 0.002 | 0.002 | 500 | 500 | 250 | 50 | 1.2 | |
| 0.001 | 0.001 | 1000 | 1000 | 500 | 50 | 1.1 | |

OBS.: Clean **OHTC** (Overall Heat Transfer Coefficient).

6.8. Typical Fouling Resistances Coefficients:

| Cooling Water Fouling Resistances Coefficients (ft ² h °F/Btu) | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------|----------------|------------------|--------------|----------------|
| Hot Fluid Temperature | | Up to 240 °F | 240 °F to 400 °F | | |
| | Temperature | Up to 125 °F | Over 125 °F | | |
| Water | Velocity | Up to 3 ft/s | Over 3 ft/s | Up to 3 ft/s | Over 3 ft/s |
| Boiler Blowdown | | 0.002 | 0.002 | 0.002 | 0.002 |
| Boiler Feed (Treated) | | 0.001 | 0.005 | 0.001 | 0.001 |
| City Water | | 0.001 | 0.001 | 0.003 | 0.002 |
| Condensate | | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 |
| | Treated | 0.001 | 0.004 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Cooling Tower | Make-up Untreated Make-up | 0.001 0.003 | 0.001 | 0.002 | 0.002 0.004 |
| Distilled Water | | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0005 |
| Muddy Water | | 0.0003 | 0.0002 | 0.0004 | 0.0003 |
| River Water | Minimum | 0.002 | 0.001 | 0.003 | 0.002 |
| ININGI WALCI | Average | 0.003 | 0.002 | 0.004 | 0.003 |
| Sea Water | | 0.0005 | 0.0005 | 0.0001 | 0.0001 |

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| Chemical Processing Fouling Coefficients - (ft ² h °F/Btu) | | | |
|---|---------------------------|-------|--|
| | Acid Gases | 0.025 | |
| Gases and Vapors | Stable Overhead Products | 0.001 | |
| | Solvent Vapors | 0.001 | |
| | Caustic Solutions | 0.002 | |
| | DEG and TEG Solutions | 0.002 | |
| | MEA and DEA Solutions | 0.002 | |
| Liquids | Vegetable Oils | 0.003 | |
| | Ammonia | 0.001 | |
| | Chlorine | 0.002 | |
| | CO2 | 0.001 | |
| | Ethanol Solutions | 0.002 | |
| | Ethylene Glycol Solutions | 0.002 | |
| | Hydraulic Fluid | 0.001 | |
| | Methanol Solutions | 0.002 | |
| Liquids | Refrigerant Liquids | 0.001 | |
| • | Sodium Chloride Solutions | 0.003 | |
| | Engine Lube Oil | 0.001 | |
| Oils | Fuel Oil # 2 | 0.002 | |
| | Transformer Oil | 0.001 | |

6.9. Fouling Factors [m²K/W]:

| Process | Fluid | Fouling Factors |
|----------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
| | Hydrogen | 0.00176 |
| | Steam | 0.00009 |
| Gas and Vapour | Organic solvent vapours | 0.00018 |
| | Compressed air | 0.00035 |
| | Natural gas | 0.00018 |
| | Cooling Fluid | 0.00018 |
| | Organic heat transfer fluids | 0.00018 |
| Liquids | Salts | 0.00009 |
| Liquids | LPG, LNG | 0.00018 |
| | Caustics | 0.00035 |
| | Vegetable Oils | 0.00053 |
| | Gasoline | 0.00018 |
| | Kerosene | 0.00018 |
| Products | Light gas oil | 0.00035 |
| | Heavy gas oil | 0.00053 |
| | Heavy fuel oils | 0.00088 |

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| | Overhead vapors | 0.00035 |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|---------|
| | Light cycle oil | 0.00035 |
| Cracking and Coking Units | Heavy cycle oil | 0.00053 |
| | Light coker gas oil | 0.00053 |
| | Heavy coker gas oil | 0.00070 |
| | Overhead vapors and gases | 0.00018 |
| | Liquid products | 0.00018 |
| | Absorption oils | 0.00035 |
| Processing Streams | Reboiler streams | 0.00053 |
| | Lube oil processing streams | 0.00053 |
| | Solvent | 0.00018 |

7.0. BASIC PHYSICAL PROPERTIES:

| Property | Units | Water | Organic Liquids | Steam | Air | Organic Vapors |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Heat | KJ/kg °C | 4.2 | 1.0 - 2.5 | 2.0 | 1.0 | 2.0 - 4.0 |
| Capacity | Btu/lb °F | 1.0 | 0.239 - 0.598 | 0.479 | 0.239 | 0.479 - 0.958 |
| Develte | kg/m³ | 1000 | 700 - 1500 | | 1.29@STP (1.0 bar, 0°C) | |
| Density | lb/ft ³ | 62.29 | 43.6 - 94.4 | | 0.08@STP (14.7 psia, 60°F) | |
| Latent Heat | kJ/kg | 1200 - 2100 | 200 - 1000 | | | |
| Latent neat | Btu/lb | 516 - 903 | 86 - 430 | | | |
| Thermal | W/m °C | 0.55 - 0.70 | 0.10 - 0.20 | 0.025 - 0.070 | 0.025 - 0.05 | 0.02 - 0.06 |
| Conductivity | Btu/h ft °F | 0.32 - 0.40 | 0.057 - 0.116 | 0.0144 - 0.040 | 0.014 - 0.029 | 0.116 - 0.35 |
| | | 1.8 @ 0 °C | | 0.01 - 0.03 | 0.02 - 0.05 | 0.01 - 0.03 |
| Viscosity | сP | 0.57 @ 50 °C | ** | | | |
| VISCOSILY | CI | 0.28 @ 100 °C | | | | |
| | | 0.14 @ 200 °C | | | | |
| Prandtl Nbr | | 1 -15 | 10 - 1000 | 1.0 | 0.7 | 0.7 – 0.8 |

** Viscosities of organic liquids vary widely with temperature.

8.0. PRESSURE DROP ESTIMATE:

The following preliminary conservative estimates are given for **pressure drops due to friction**. It can be noticed that an **additional pressure change occurs** if the exchanger is placed vertically.

| Initial Process Design Pressure Drop Estimates | | | | | |
|--|----|----|--|--|--|
| Process Description Pressure Drop (psi) Pressure (kPa) | | | | | |
| Liquid streams with no phase change | 10 | 70 | | | |
| Vapor streams with no phase change | 2 | 14 | | | |
| Condensing streams | 2 | 14 | | | |
| Boiling streams | 1 | 7 | | | |

9.0. EXPERIENCED-BASE RULES:

Experience is typically what turns a **good engineer into a great engineer**. It means someone who can **at least estimate** the size of a vessel without doing too many calculations. The **rules below are for estimation** and are not necessary to replace rigorous calculations when such calculations should be performed. These rules can save you hours and hours of stages of analysis and design. The rules to be considered are:

1. For the heat exchanger equation, **Q** = **U.A.F** (LMTD), use **F** = **0.9** when charts for the LMTD correction factor are not available.

2. Most commonly used **tubes are 3/4 in. (1.9 cm)** in outer diameter on a 1 in triangular spacing at 16 ft (4.9 m) long.

3. Typical velocities in the tubes should be 3 - 10 ft/s (1 - 3 m/s) for liquids and 30 - 100 ft/s (9 - 30 m/s) for gases.

4. Pressure drops are about 1.5 psi (0.1 bar) for vaporization and 3-10 psi (0.2 - 0.68 bar) for other services.

5. The **minimum approach temperature** for shell and tube exchangers is about **20** °**F (10** °**C)** for **fluids** and **10** °**F (5** °**C)** for **refrigerants**.

6. Double pipe heat exchangers may be a good choice for areas from 100 to 200 ft² (9.3-18.6 m²).

7. Spiral heat exchangers are often used to slurry interchangers and services containing solids.

8. Plate heat exchanger with gaskets can be used up to **320** °F (160 °C) and are often used for interchanging duties due to their high efficiencies and ability to "cross" temperatures.

Notes:

- > A Ø1 ft (30 cm) shell contains approximately 100 ft² (9.3 m²).
- > A Ø2 ft (60 cm) shell contains approximately 400 ft² (37.2 m²).

> A Ø3 ft (90 cm) shell contains approximately 1,100 ft² (102 m²).

10.0. SIZING HEAT EXCHANGERS ONLINE:

CALCULATION INPUT – (PRACTICAL EXAMPLE) - See the Engineering Page:

Duty:

| | cal/h Btu/h | 2,000,000 7,931 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------|
| Overall Heat Transfer Coefficient, U | W/m ² C Btu/h ft °F | 1,000 176 |

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Fluids:

| | | Hot Fluid | Cold Fluid |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------|------------|
| Medium | | Steam | Water |
| Volumetric Flowrate | m³/h | 95 | 4.75 |
| Density | kg/m ³ | 0.7 | 995 |
| Inlet Temperature | ° C | 105 | 38 |
| Specific Heat Cp | kJ/kg K | 2.0476 | 4160 |

Exchanger Data:

Number of Shells in Series

Shell and Tube Side

| | Shell Side | Tube Side |
|------------------|------------|-----------|
| Fluid | Cold Fluid | Hot Fluid |
| Number of Passes | 1 | 1 |

CALCULATION RESULTS:

| | Shell Side | | Tube Side | |
|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| Fluid | Cold Fluid | | Hot Fluid | |
| Medium | Water | | Steam | |
| Flowrate | 4.75 m³/h | 2.796 ft ³ /min | 95 m³/h | 55.915 ft ³ /min |
| Density | 995 kg/m ³ | 62.116 lb/ft ³ | 0.7 kg/m ³ | 0.044 lb/ft ³ |
| Mass Flowrate | 1.313 kg/s | 2.894 lb/s | 0.018 kg/s | 0.041 lb/s |
| Specific Heat (Cp) | 4160 kJ/kg K | 993.599 Btu/lb ° F | 2.048 kJ/kg K | 0.489 Btu/lb ° F |
| Fouling Factor | 0 m ² K/W | 0 h ft² °F/Btu | 0 m² K/W | 0 h ft ² °F/Btu |
| Inlet Temperature | 38 ° C | 100.4 ° F | 105 ° C | 221 ° F |
| Outlet Temperature | 38 ° C | 100.401 ° F | 43.504 ° C | 110.308 ° F |

LMTD and Heat Exchange Surface:

| Corrected Mean Temperature Difference Total Heat Exchanger Surface | 24.61 ° C | 76.2 ° F |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| Correction factor F | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| Log Mean Temperature Difference (LMTD) | 24.61 ° C | 76.29 ° F |

11.0. TYPES OF SHELL CONSTRUCTIONS:

TEMA-E: This shell is the **most common shell type**, as it is most suitable for most industrial process cooling applications.

TEMA-F: This shell design provides for a longitudinal flow plate to be installed inside the tube bundle assembly. This plate causes the shell fluid to travel down one half of the tube bundle, then down the other half, in effect producing a counter-current flow pattern which is best for heat transfer.

TEMA-G and H: These shells are most **suitable for phase change applications** where the bypass around the longitudinal plate and counter-current flow is less important than even flow distribution.

TEMA-J: This shell is **specified for phase change duties** where significantly reduced shell side pressure drops are required. They are commonly used in **stacked sets** with the single nozzles used as the inlet and outlet. A special type of J-shell is used for flooded evaporation of shell side fluids.

TEMA-K: This shell, also termed as **"kettle reboiler"**, is **specified when the shell side stream will undergo vaporization.** The liquid level of a K shell design should just cover the tube bundle, which fills the smaller diameter end of the shell. This liquid level is controlled by the liquid flowing over a weir at the far end of the entrance nozzle.

TEMA-X: This shell, or **cross flow shell is most commonly used in vapor condensing applications**, though it can also be used effectively in low pressure gas cooling or heating. It produces a very low shell side pressure drop, and is therefore most suitable for vacuum service condensing.

| | Table B 3/ | 4od tubes on | 15/16 triang | gular pitch | |
|----------|------------|------------------|--------------|-------------|-------|
| Shell ID | | TEMA L or M | | | |
| mm | in | Number of Passes | | | |
| | | 1 | 2 | 4 | 6 |
| 203 | 8 | 64 | 48 | 34 | 24 |
| 254 | 10 | 85 | 72 | 52 | 50 |
| 305 | 12 | 122 | 114 | 94 | 96 |
| 337 | 13.25 | 151 | 142 | 124 | 112 |
| 387 | 15.25 | 204 | 192 | 166 | 168 |
| 438 | 17.25 | 264 | 254 | 228 | 220 |
| 489 | 19.25 | 332 | 326 | 290 | 280 |
| 540 | 21.25 | 417 | 396 | 364 | 348 |
| 591 | 23.25 | 495 | 478 | 430 | 420 |
| 635 | 25 | 579 | 554 | 512 | 488 |
| 686 | 27 | 676 | 648 | 602 | 584 |
| 737 | 29 | 785 | 762 | 704 | 688 |
| 787 | 31 | 909 | 878 | 814 | 792 |
| 838 | 33 | 1035 | 1002 | 944 | 920 |
| 889 | 35 | 1164 | 1132 | 1062 | 1036 |
| 940 | 37 | 1304 | 1270 | 1200 | 1168 |
| 991 | 39 | 1460 | 1422 | 1338 | 1320 |
| 1067 | 42 | 1703 | 1664 | 1578 | 1552 |
| 1143 | 45 | 1960 | 1918 | 1830 | 1800 |
| 1219 | 48 | 2242 | 2196 | 2106 | 2060 |
| 1372 | 54 | 2861 | 2804 | 2682 | 2660 |
| 1524 | 60 | 3527 | 3476 | 3360 | 3300 |
| 1676 | 66 | 4292 | 4228 | 4088 | 4044 |
| 1829 | 72 | 5116 | 5044 | 4902 | 4868 |
| 1981 | 78 | 6034 | 5964 | 5786 | 5740 |
| 2134 | 84 | 7005 | 6934 | 6766 | 6680 |
| 2286 | 90 | 8093 | 7998 | 7832 | 7708 |
| 2438 | 96 | 9203 | 9114 | 8896 | 8844 |
| 2743 | 108 | 11696 | 11618 | 11336 | 11268 |
| 3048 | 120 | 14459 | 14378 | 14080 | 13984 |

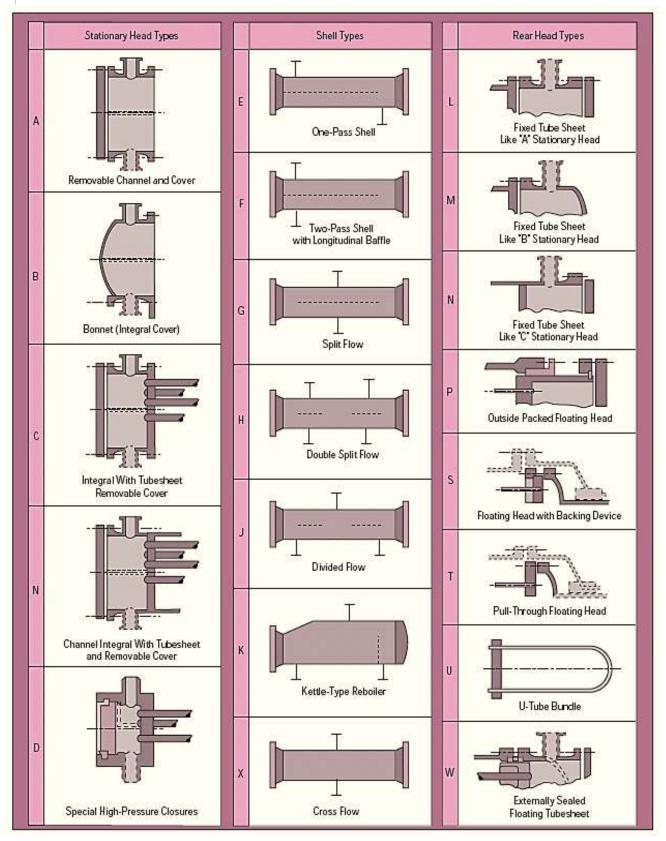
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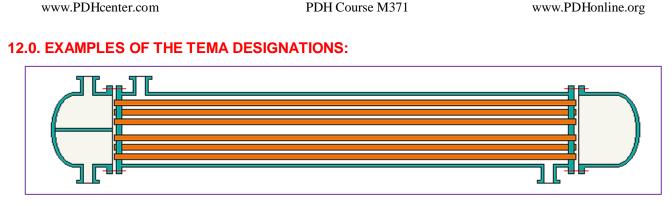
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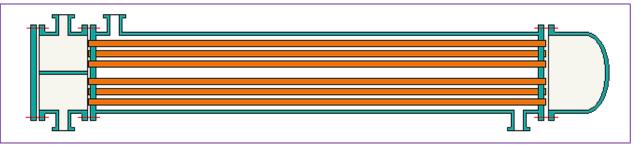


BEM: Bonnet (Integral Cover), One Pass Shell, Fixed Tubesheet Bonnet.

Fixed tubesheet heat exchanger. Is a version with **one shell pass and two tube passes** and a very popular version as the heads can be removed to clean the inside of the tubes. The front head piping must be unbolted to allow the removal of the front head, if this is undesired this can be avoided by applying a **type A** front head. In that case only the cover needs to be removed. It is not possible to clean the outside surface of the tubes as these are inside the fixed part. Chemical cleaning can be used.

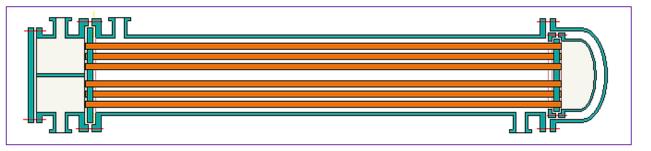


BEM: This is the same type of heat exchanger as above, but with one tube pass.



AEM: Channel with Removable Cover, One Pass Shell, Fixed Tubesheet Bonnet.

This is almost the same type of heat exchanger as the first BEM, the removable cover allows the inside of the tubes to be inspected and cleaned without unbolting the piping.



AES: Channel and Removable Cover, One Pass Shell, Floating Head with Backing Device.

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Floating Head Heat Exchanger. A floating head is excellent for applications where the difference in temperature between the hot and cold fluid causes unacceptable stresses in the axial direction of the shell and tubes. Notice that the bundle cannot be pulled from the front end. For maintenance both the front and rear end head, including the backing device must be disassembled. If pulling from the front head is required, a type AET should be selected.

Related Links:

- 1. ASHRAE: at: www.ashrae.org.
- 2. TEMA: The Tubular Exchanger Manufacturers Association at: www.tema.org.
- 3. OSHA Technical Manual at: www.osha.gov.
- 4. Cooling Tower Thermal Design Manual at: www.daeilaqua.com.
- 5. Tower Design Free Online eBook Collection at: www.pdftop.com/ebook/tower+design.