

HEAT EXCHANGER DESIGN –CHAPTER 3 – Summarizing questions

- 1) What are the two arrangements possible for a concentric tube heat exchanger? Advantages/Disadvantages?
- 2) What is the purpose of the baffles in shell-and-tube heat exchangers?
- 3) What means “mixed” and “unmixed” for cross flow heat exchangers?
- 4) Write down LMTD formula for both counter- and co-current heat exchangers.
- 5) What can be said about the change in temperature of a saturated flow undergoing evaporation or condensation in a heat exchanger? What does it mean for the C_p of this stream?
- 6) Will the fluid having the minimum or maximum heat capacity rate experience the largest temperature change in a heat exchanger?
- 7) Why is the maximum possible heat transfer rate in a heat exchanger NOT equal to $C_{max}(T_{h,in} - T_{c,in})$? Can the outlet temperature of the cold fluid ever exceed the inlet temperature of the hot fluid? Can it exceed the outlet temperature of the hot fluid?
- 8) What is the effectiveness of a heat exchanger? What is the range of possible values? What is NTU? What is the range of possible values? What is the unit for these two parameters?
- 9) How does effectiveness evolve if:
 - a. A increases
 - b. U increases
 - c. C_{min}/C_{max} decreases
- 10) What is the penalty of increasing the length of a heat exchanger? What is the penalty of increasing U ?