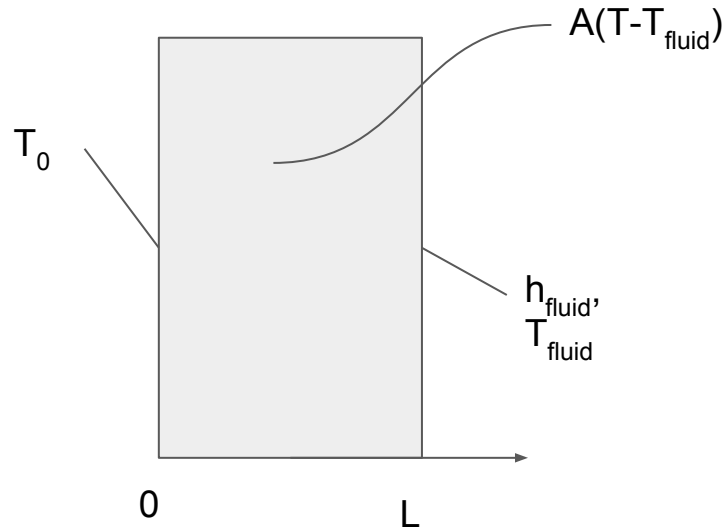


## 4.2

The left side of a slab of thickness  $L$  is kept at  $0^\circ\text{C}$ . The right side is cooled by air at  $T_\infty^\circ\text{C}$  blowing on it.  $h_{\text{RHS}}$  is known. An exothermic reaction takes place in the slab such that heat is generated at  $A(T - T_\infty) \text{ W/m}^3$ , where  $A$  is a constant. Find a fully dimensionless expression for the temperature distribution in the wall.



$$\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \underbrace{\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2}}_{= 0, \text{ since } T \neq T(y \text{ or } z)} + \frac{\dot{q}}{k} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t}}_{= 0, \text{ since steady}}$$

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} = - \frac{A(T - T_{fluid})}{k}$$

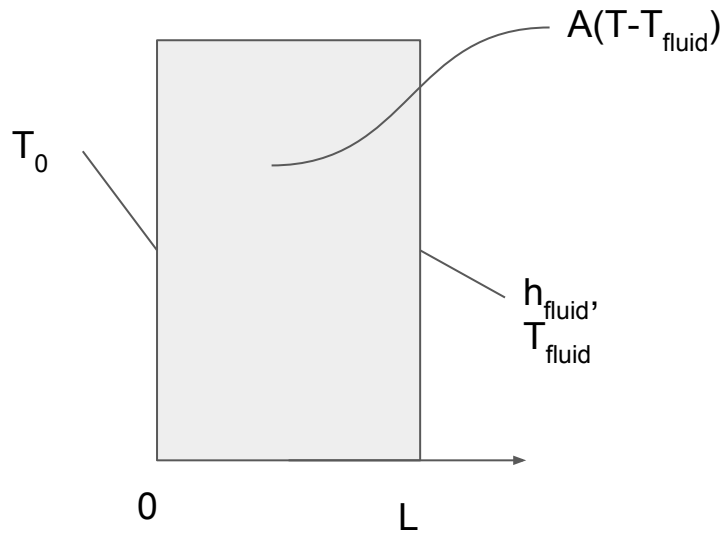
$$X = T - T_{fluid}$$

$$\frac{d^2 (T - T_{fluid})}{dx^2} = - \frac{A(T - T_{fluid})}{k}$$

$$\lambda = \sqrt{\frac{A}{k}}$$

$$X'' = -\lambda^2 X$$

$$X = C_1 \sin(\lambda x) + C_2 \cos(\lambda x)$$



$$Bi^{-1} = \frac{k\lambda}{h}$$

Boundary conditions

$$T(0) - T_{fluid} = T_0 - T_{fluid}$$

$$-k \frac{d(T-T_{fluid})}{dx} \Big|_L = h (T(L) - T_{fluid})$$

Solution

$$C_1 = (T_0 - T_{fluid}) \frac{Bi^{-1} \sin(\lambda L) - \cos(\lambda L)}{Bi^{-1} \cos(\lambda L) + \sin(\lambda L)}$$

$$C_2 = T_0 - T_{fluid}$$

$$\frac{T - T_{fluid}}{T_0 - T_{fluid}} = \frac{Bi^{-1} \sin(\lambda L) - \cos(\lambda L)}{Bi^{-1} \cos(\lambda L) + \sin(\lambda L)} \sin(\lambda x) + \cos(\lambda x)$$