

HEAT TRANSFER COEFFICIENT IN TURBULENT FLOW
OF HEAT-RELEASING LIQUID

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In Kutateladze's well-known monograph [1] the expression

$$\frac{\alpha}{\alpha_0} = \frac{1}{1 + AZ}, \quad Z = \frac{dq_v}{4q_w} \quad (1)$$

was obtained analytically for the correction factor allowing for internal heat release or heat absorption in calculation of the heat transfer coefficient in a round tube.

Here Z is the relative density of the internal heat source. The constant coefficient A is expressed in the following way in terms of quadratures of the distributions of the dimensionless velocity $\omega(\xi) = \omega / \langle \omega \rangle$ and the turbulent thermal conductivity $\lambda_t(\xi)$ over the radius $\xi = 2r/d$

$$A = \left\{ \int_0^1 \omega \xi \left[\int_0^1 \left(\frac{\Omega}{\xi} - 1 \right) \frac{d\xi}{1 + \lambda_t/\lambda} \right] d\xi \right\} \left\{ \int_0^1 \omega \xi \left[\int_0^1 \frac{\Omega}{\xi} \frac{d\xi}{1 + \lambda_t/\lambda} \right] d\xi \right\}^{-1}$$

$$\Omega(\xi) = \int_0^{\xi} \omega \xi d\xi \quad (2)$$

Numerical values of the coefficient A were obtained in [1] for special cases of laminar flow with a parabolic velocity profile (A=0.272) and turbulent flow with a velocity distribution conforming to a 1/7 law and Prandtl number P=0 (A=0.0834).

We give the results of calculation of this coefficient for the case of a turbulent flow with $P \neq 0$.

Integrating by parts in the numerator and denominator of Eq. (2) we obtain

$$A = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left[\int_0^1 \frac{\xi \Omega}{1 + \lambda_t/\lambda} d\xi \right] \left[\int_0^1 \frac{\Omega^2}{(1 + \lambda_t/\lambda) \xi} d\xi \right]^{-1} \quad (3)$$

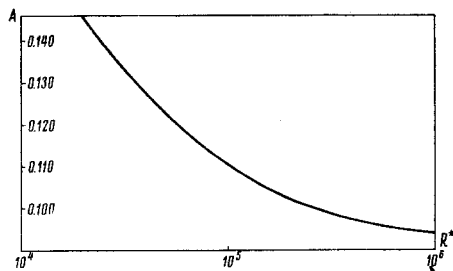


Fig. 1

The main difficulty in reducing Eq. (3) to a form convenient for numerical calculations lies in the choice of an approximating relationship giving the distribution of λ_t/λ over the tube radius. It should be noted that

$$\frac{\lambda_t}{\lambda} = \frac{P}{P_t} \frac{\mu_t}{\mu} \quad (4)$$

where P_t is the turbulent Prandtl number.

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We use the Prandtl expression for the turbulent tangential stress in terms of the mixing length l and also its representation in terms of the turbulent viscosity coefficient μ_t

$$\tau_t = \rho \left(l \frac{dw}{dr} \right)^2, \quad \tau_t = -\mu_t \frac{dw}{dr} \quad (5)$$

By comparison we have

$$\frac{\mu_t}{\mu} = -\frac{\rho}{\mu} l^2 \frac{dw}{dr} \quad (6)$$

According to I. Nikuradze's measurements, at $R = \rho \langle \omega \rangle d / \mu > 10^5$ the distribution of the mixing length over the tube radius is independent of R . The well-known interpolation formula [1] gives in this case

$$2l/d = 0.14 - 0.08 \xi^2 - 0.06 \xi^4 \quad (7)$$

It is assumed in what follows that the velocity distribution over the cross section of the tube conforms to a 1/7 law

$$\omega = w / \langle \omega \rangle = 1.22 (1 - \xi)^{1/7} \quad (8)$$

Using (4), (6), (7), and (8) and performing the necessary transformations we put Eq. (3) in a form suitable for numerical calculations on an electronic digital computer. The results of these calculations are given in the form of a relationship between the coefficient A and the criterion $R^* = RP/P_t$ in Fig. 1. It should be remembered that these results are valid for $R > 10^5$.

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