

# Temperature distribution for fins of different configurations

Case	Tip Condition	Temp. Distribution	Fin heat transfer
1	Infinitely long fin $\theta(L)=0$	$e^{-mx}$	$M \theta_0$
2	Adiabatic $(d\theta/dx)_{x=L}=0$	$\frac{\cosh m(L-x)}{\cosh mL}$	$M\theta_0 \tanh mL$
3	Convection heat transfer: $h\theta(L)=-k(d\theta/dx)_{x=L}$	$\frac{\cosh m(L-x) + (h/mk) \sinh m(L-x)}{\cosh mL + (h/mk) \sinh mL}$	$M\theta_0 \frac{\sinh mL + (h/mk) \cosh mL}{\cosh mL + (h/mk) \sinh mL}$

$$\theta \equiv T - T_{\infty}, \quad m^2 \equiv \frac{hP}{kA_C}$$

$$\theta_b = \theta(0) = T_b - T_{\infty}, \quad M = \sqrt{hPkA_C} \theta_b$$

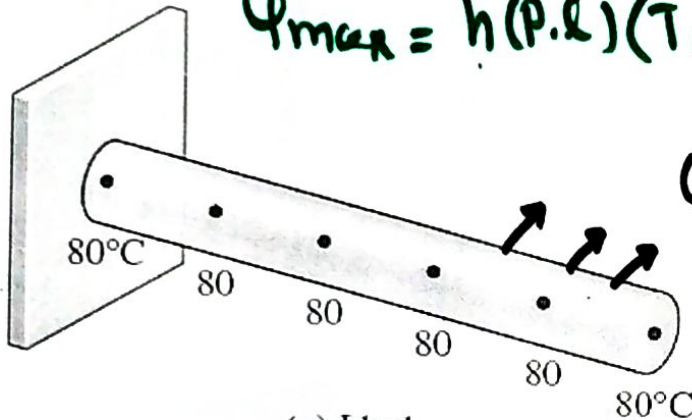
# Fin Efficiency

$$\eta_{fin} = \frac{Q_{fin}}{Q_{max}} = \frac{Q_{fin}}{Q_{fin}(k \rightarrow \infty)}$$

$$Q = h A \Delta T$$

$$Q_{max} = h(P \cdot L)(T_o - T_a)$$

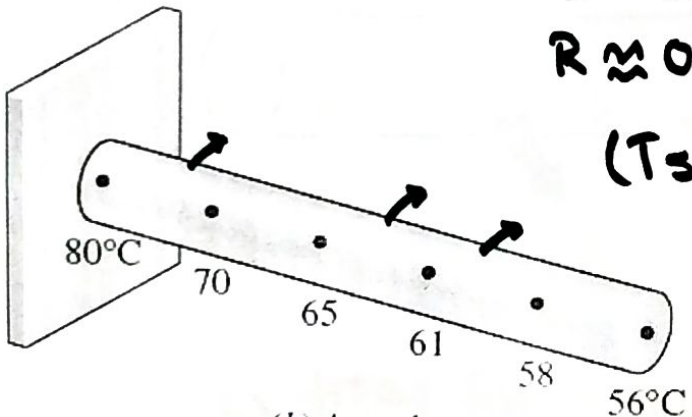
q) infinitely long fin ( $L \rightarrow \infty$ )



(a) Ideal

$$(T_s - T_a) = C$$

$$\eta_{fin} = \frac{Q_{fin}}{Q_{max}} = \frac{\sqrt{h P A c s k} (T_o - T_a)}{h P \cdot L (T_o - T_a)}$$



(b) Actual

$$k \rightarrow \infty$$

$$R \approx 0$$

$$(T_s - T_a) \downarrow$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{h P \cdot A c s k}{h^2 P^2 L^2}}$$

$$\eta_{fin} = \frac{1}{mL}$$

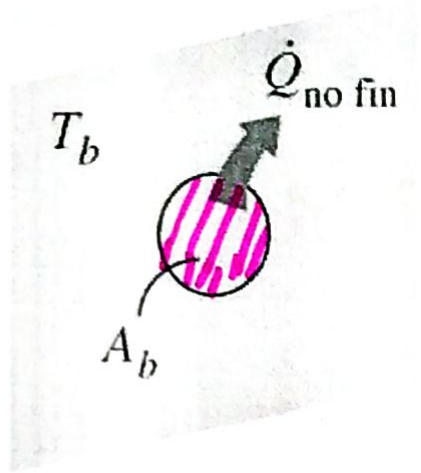
b) tip of fin insulated

$$Q_{fin} = \frac{\sqrt{h P A c s k} (T_o - T_a) \tanh mL}{h \cdot (P \cdot L) (T_o - T_a)}$$

$$Q_{fin} = \frac{\tanh h(mL)}{mL}$$

# Fin Effectiveness

$$\epsilon_{fin} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{with\ fin}}{\dot{Q}_{without\ fin}}$$



$$\dot{Q}_{without\ fin} = h A_{cs} (T_o - T_{\infty})$$

a) fin with infinitely long

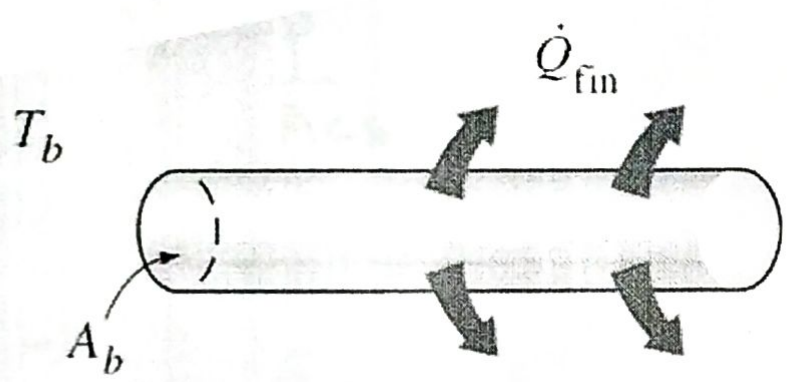
$$\epsilon_{fin} = \frac{\dot{Q}_{fin}}{\dot{Q}_{without\ fin}}$$

$$\epsilon_{fin} = \frac{\sqrt{h P A_{cs} k} (T_o - T_{\infty})}{h A_{cs} (T_o - T_{\infty})}$$

$$= \sqrt{\frac{P \cdot k}{h \cdot A_{cs}}} \quad \text{--- (I)}$$

b) trap fin insulated

$$\epsilon_{fin} = \frac{\sqrt{h P A_{cs} k} (T_o - T_{\infty}) \tanh ml}{h A_{cs} (T_o - T_{\infty})} = \sqrt{\frac{P \cdot k}{h \cdot A_{cs}}} \tanh ml$$



$$E_{fin} = \sqrt{\frac{P \cdot K}{h \cdot Acs}}$$

1)  $K =$  Thermal Conductivity is high

2)  $h$  is small

$h \rightarrow$  natural

$h \rightarrow$  forced convection

3)  $\frac{P}{Acs}$

$\rightarrow$

$$E_{fin} = 1$$

$$E_{fin} \geq 2$$

$$m \geq 5$$