Module 4: Heat confinement

Exercise 1

A reactive resin is to be discharged from a reactor to drums (radius 0.3 m, height 0.9 m). In order to obtain a low viscosity allowing a practicable transfer time, the discharge temperature should be above 75° C. It is known that the heat release rate of the resin is 10Wkg⁻¹ at 180°C and the activation energy of the reaction is 80 klmol⁻¹.

Data

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\rho = 1100 kgm<sub>-3</sub>

\lambda = 0.1Wm<sub>-1</sub> K<sub>-1</sub>

c_p = 2100 J kg<sub>-1</sub> K<sub>-1</sub>

\delta c = 2.37
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Question

- 1. Is this operation thermally safe?
- 2. Is it safe at 90°C?

Exercise 2

An intermediate has to be stored liquid in drums (radius 0.3 m, height 0.9 m) at a temperature equal or above 40°C. A hot storage room at 50°C is available. The temperature of another storage room could be changed to 40°C, if necessary.

It is known that the heat release rate of the resin is 12Wkg⁻¹ at 140°C and the activation energy of the reaction is 70 kJmol⁻¹.

Data

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\rho = 1000 kgm<sub>-3</sub>

\lambda = 0.1Wm<sub>-1</sub> K<sub>-1</sub>

c_p = 1800 J kg<sub>-1</sub> K<sub>-1</sub>

\delta_c = 2.37
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Question

Is storage possible at 40°C and 50°C for 1 day, 1 week, 1 month?