## Lab 2

## Ch En 263 – Numerical Tools

Due: 11 Jan. 2024

## Instructions

- Complete the exercise(s) below, and submit the following files to Learning Suite:
  - Handwritten portion: scan each page (or take a picture) and combine them into a single pdf named: LastName\_FirstName\_Lab2.pdf
  - Excel portion: submit a workbook named LastName\_FirstName\_Lab2.xlsx where each worksheet tab is named "Problem\_1", "Problem\_2", etc.
  - Python portion: submit a separate file for each problem named LastName\_FirstName\_Lab2\_ProblemXX.py where XX is the problem number.
- $\bullet$  Warning: the LS assignment will close promptly at 11:59 pm and late assignments will only receive 50% credit.

## Lab Exercises

The rate of heat transfer (q) from a heated flat plate with a cool fluid stream flowing across it can be found by:

$$q = h\Delta T,$$

where h is the heat transfer coefficient and  $\Delta T$  is the change in temperature between the cool fluid and the plate. The heat transfer is related to Nu, the dimensionless Nusselt number, through

$$\mathrm{Nu} = \frac{hL}{k} = 0.332 \, \mathrm{Pr}^{1/3} \, \mathrm{Re}^{1/2},$$

where L is the plate length, k is the fluid's thermal conductivity, Pr is the dimensionless Prandtl number, and Re is the dimensionless Reynolds number. The last two quantities are given by

$$\operatorname{Re} = \frac{\rho L v}{\mu}, \qquad \operatorname{Pr} = \frac{\mu c_p}{k}$$

where  $\mu$  is the fluid viscosity,  $c_p$  is the fluid heat capacity, v is the fluid velocity, and  $\rho$  is the fluid density.

- 1. In an Excel worksheet, find the heat transfer rate in W/m<sup>2</sup> from a flat plate 2 m long and at T=343 K, if a stream of water passes over it at a velocity of 1.45 m/s. The temperature of the water is 294 K. The water properties are  $\mu = 9.79 \times 10^{-4} \,\mathrm{Pa} \cdot \mathrm{s}$ ,  $\rho = 998 \,\mathrm{kg/m^3}$ ,  $k = 0.601 \,\mathrm{W/(m \, K)}$ , and  $c_p = 4.18 \times 10^3 \,\mathrm{J/(kg \, K)}$ . Make sure you present the data so that it is readable.
- 2. Find the same heat transfer rate using a Python code. Print your answer to the console so that the output looks like:

 $q = #### (W/m^2)$ 

*Hint:* Begin by defining variables for all the known quantities, and then compute Nu. h can be obtained once Nu is known.