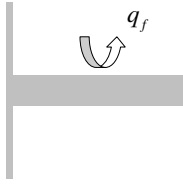


## FIN PERFORMANCE

## Single Fin



$$A_f = \text{fin area}$$

$$\eta_f = \frac{q_f}{q_{\max}} = \frac{q_f}{h(T_b - T_\infty)A_f}$$

definition of  
fin efficiency

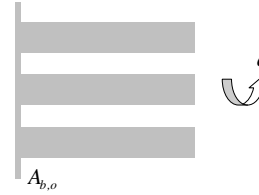
$$q_f = \frac{T_b - T_\infty}{R_{t,f}}$$

rate of heat transfer  
from a fin

$$R_{t,f} = \frac{l}{hA_f\eta_f}$$

fin thermal  
resistance

## Fin Array



$N$  = number of fins

total area of  $N$  fins  
plus area of  
exposed base  $A_{b,o}$

$$A_t = NA_f + A_{b,o}$$

$$\eta_o = 1 - N \frac{A_f}{A_t} (1 - \eta_f)$$

overall  
fin efficiency

$$q = \frac{T_b - T_\infty}{R_{t,o}}$$

total rate of  
heat transfer  
from fins and  
exposed base

$$R_{t,o} = \frac{l}{hA_t\eta_o}$$

overall  
resistance

fin array  
w/o contact resistance



$$q = \frac{T_b - T_\infty}{R_{t,o}}$$

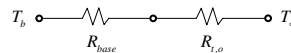


$$R_{t,o} = \frac{l}{hA_t\eta_o}$$

fin array with a base  
w/o contact resistance



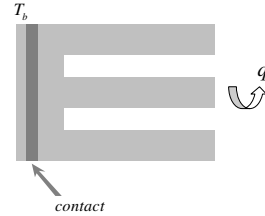
$$q = \frac{T_b - T_\infty}{R_{\text{base}} + R_{t,o}}$$



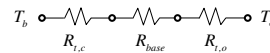
$$R_{\text{base}} = \frac{L_{\text{base}}}{kA_b}$$

$$R_{t,o} = \frac{l}{hA_t\eta_o}$$

fin array with a base  
with contact resistance



$$q = \frac{T_b - T_\infty}{R_{t,c} + R_{\text{base}} + R_{t,o}}$$

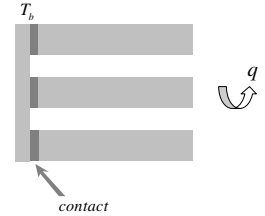


$$R_{t,c} = R''_{t,c} / A_b$$

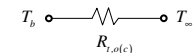
$$R_{\text{base}} = \frac{L_{\text{base}}}{kA_b}$$

$$R_{t,o} = \frac{l}{hA_t\eta_o}$$

fin array with  
contact resistance



$$q = \frac{T_b - T_\infty}{R_{t,o(c)}}$$



$$R_{t,o(c)} = \frac{l}{hA_t\eta_{o(c)}}$$

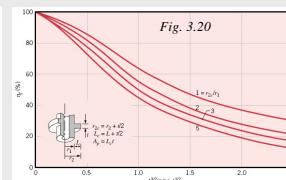
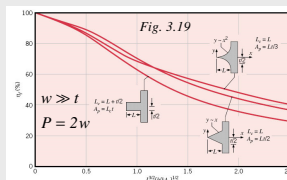
$$\eta_{o(c)} = 1 - N \frac{A_f}{A_t} \left( 1 - \frac{\eta_f}{c_l} \right)$$

$$c_l = 1 + \eta_f h A_f \frac{R_{t,c}}{A_{c,f}}$$

fin efficiency

$\eta_f$   
can be determined

- from figures 3.19, 3.20 (p.190)
- $L_c$  = corrected fin length applied to adiabatic boundary conditions



- from Table 3.5 (p.169)

$$m = \left( \frac{2h}{kt} \right)^{1/2} \quad \text{for (a)}$$

$$m = \left( \frac{4h}{kD} \right)^{1/2} \quad \text{for (b)}$$

fin effectiveness

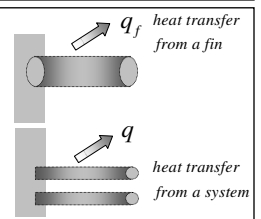
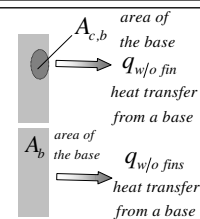
$$\varepsilon_f$$

Single Fin

$$\varepsilon_f = \frac{q_f}{q_{w/o \text{ fin}}} = \frac{q_f}{h(T_b - T_\infty)A_{c,b}}$$

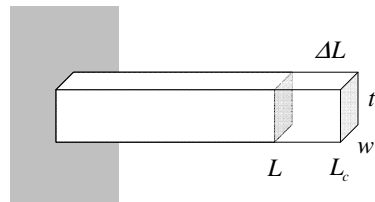
Fin Array

$$\varepsilon = \frac{q}{q_{w/o \text{ fins}}} = \frac{q}{h(T_b - T_\infty)A_b}$$



Addition to the Table 3.5 (p.152) *Efficiency of common fin shapes – Pin Fins*

*Rectangular<sup>b</sup> (all sides are included)*



$$t \cdot w = 2(t + w) \Delta L$$

$$\Delta L = \frac{t \cdot w}{2(t + w)}$$

|                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                    |                                                             |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------|
|  <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center;"> <math>P = 2(t + w)</math> <math>L_c = L + \frac{t \cdot w}{2(t + w)}</math> <math>A_f = 2L_c(t + w)</math> </div>            | $\eta_f = \frac{\tanh mL_c}{mL_c}$ | $m = \sqrt{\frac{hP}{kA_c}} = \sqrt{\frac{2h(t + w)}{ktw}}$ |
| <p><math>t = w</math> (square)</p>  <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; align-items: center;"> <math>P = 4w</math> <math>A_f = 4L_c w</math> <math>L_c = L + \frac{w}{4}</math> </div> | $\eta_f = \frac{\tanh mL_c}{mL_c}$ | $m = \sqrt{\frac{hP}{kA_c}} = \sqrt{\frac{4h}{kw}}$         |