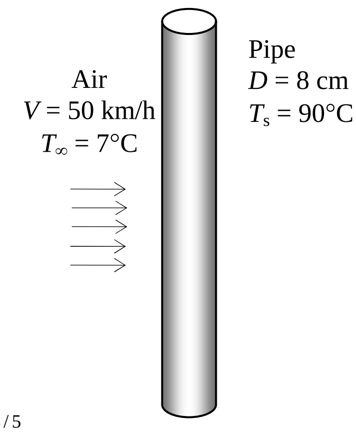
12-68 A steam pipe is exposed to windy air. The rate of heat loss from the steam is to be determined.√

Assumptions **1** Steady operating conditions exist. **2** Radiation effects are negligible. **3** Air is an ideal gas with constant properties.

Properties The properties of air at 1 atm and the film temperature of $(T_s + T_\infty)/2 = (90+7)/2 = 48.5°\text{C}$ are (Table A-22)

$$k = 0.02724 \text{ W/m.°C}$$
$$\nu = 1.784\times10^{-5} \text{ m}^2\text{/s}$$
$$\Pr = 0.7232$$



Analysis The Reynolds number is

$$\text{Re} = \frac{VD}{\nu} = \frac{[(50 \text{ km/h})(1000 \text{ m/km})/(3600 \text{ s/h})](0.08 \text{ m})}{1.784\times10^{-5} \text{ m}^2\text{/s}} = 6.228\times10^4$$

The Nusselt number corresponding to this Reynolds number is

$$Nu = \frac{hD}{k} = 0.3 + \frac{0.62 \text{ Re}^{0.5} \Pr^{1/3}}{\left[1+\left(0.4/\Pr\right)^{2/3}\right]^{1/4}}\left[1+\left(\frac{\text{Re}}{282{,}000}\right)^{5/8}\right]^{4/5}$$

$$= 0.3 + \frac{0.62(6.228\times10^4)^{0.5}(0.7232)^{1/3}}{\left[1+\left(0.4/0.7232\right)^{2/3}\right]^{1/4}}\left[1+\left(\frac{6.228\times10^4}{282{,}000}\right)^{5/8}\right]^{4/5} = 159.1$$

The heat transfer coefficient and the heat transfer rate become

$$h = \frac{k}{D}Nu = \frac{0.02724 \text{ W/m.°C}}{0.08 \text{ m}}(159.1) = 54.17 \text{ W/m}^2\text{.°C}$$

$$A_s = \pi DL = \pi(0.08 \text{ m})(1 \text{ m}) = 0.2513 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\dot{Q}_{conv} = hA_s(T_s - T_\infty) = (54.17 \text{ W/m}^2\text{.°C})(0.2513 \text{ m}^2)(90-7)°\text{C} = \mathbf{1130 \text{ W}} \text{ (per m length)}$$