

37.38 A radiator is designed for $100^\circ F$ entering air and $150^\circ F$ leaving air. The inlet water is expected to enter at $212^\circ F$ and leave at $195^\circ F$. The radiator may be treated as a counterflow heat exchanger with a heat transfer surface area of $10ft^2$ and an overall coefficient of heat transfer of $11\frac{Btu}{hr \cdot ft^2 \cdot ^\circ F}$. What is the rate of heat transfer?

- A. $5000\frac{Btu}{hr}$
- B. $8100\frac{Btu}{hr}$
- C. $8500\frac{Btu}{hr}$
- D. $10,500\frac{Btu}{hr}$

Calculate the log mean temperature difference for the radiator modeled as a Counterflow heat exchanger. Draw the heat exchanger and label the temperatures.

$$Hot\ Fluid : 212^\circ F \longrightarrow 195^\circ F$$

$$Cold\ Fluid : 150^\circ F \longleftarrow 100^\circ F$$

Define one *physical* side of the heat exchanger as 'A' and the other side as 'B' and determine the respective temperature differences.

$$\Delta T_A = 212^\circ F - 150^\circ F = 62^\circ F$$

$$\Delta T_B = 195^\circ F - 100^\circ F = 95^\circ F$$

Use the formula below to calculate the log mean temperature difference.

$$LMTD_{counter\ flow} = \frac{\Delta T_A - \Delta T_B}{\ln\left(\frac{\Delta T_A}{\Delta T_B}\right)}$$

$$LMTD_{counter\ flow} = \frac{62^\circ F - 95^\circ F}{\ln\left(\frac{62^\circ F}{95^\circ F}\right)} = 77.3^\circ F$$

Calculate the heat transfer for the heat exchanger:

$$\dot{Q} = UA\Delta T_{lm} = \left(11\frac{Btu}{hr \cdot ft^2 \cdot ^\circ F}\right) (10ft^2) (77.3^\circ F) = 8506\frac{Btu}{hr}$$

Answer C