

**12-72E** A person extends his uncovered arms into the windy air outside. The rate of heat loss from the arm is to be determined.

**Assumptions** 1 Steady operating conditions exist. 2 Radiation effects are negligible. 3 Air is an ideal gas with constant properties. 4 The arm is treated as a 2-ft-long and 3-in-diameter cylinder with insulated ends. 5 The local atmospheric pressure is 1 atm.

**Properties** The properties of air at 1 atm and the film temperature of  $(T_s + T_\infty)/2 = (86+54)/2 = 70^\circ\text{F}$  are (Table A-22E)

$$k = 0.01457 \text{ Btu/h}\cdot\text{ft}\cdot^\circ\text{F}$$

$$\nu = 0.1643 \times 10^{-3} \text{ ft}^2/\text{s}$$

$$\text{Pr} = 0.7306$$

**Analysis** The Reynolds number is

$$\text{Re} = \frac{VD}{\nu} = \frac{[(20 \times 5280/3600) \text{ ft/s}](3/12) \text{ ft}}{0.1643 \times 10^{-3} \text{ ft}^2/\text{s}} = 4.463 \times 10^4$$

The Nusselt number corresponding to this Reynolds number is determined to be

$$\begin{aligned} Nu &= \frac{hD}{k} = 0.3 + \frac{0.62 \text{Re}^{0.5} \text{Pr}^{1/3}}{\left[1 + \left(\frac{0.4}{\text{Pr}}\right)^{2/3}\right]^{1/4}} \left[1 + \left(\frac{\text{Re}}{282,000}\right)^{5/8}\right]^{4/5} \\ &= 0.3 + \frac{0.62(4.463 \times 10^4)^{0.5} (0.7306)^{1/3}}{\left[1 + \left(\frac{0.4}{0.7306}\right)^{2/3}\right]^{1/4}} \left[1 + \left(\frac{4.463 \times 10^4}{282,000}\right)^{5/8}\right]^{4/5} = 129.6 \end{aligned}$$

Then the heat transfer coefficient and the heat transfer rate from the arm becomes

$$h = \frac{k}{D} Nu = \frac{0.01457 \text{ Btu/h}\cdot\text{ft}\cdot^\circ\text{F}}{(3/12) \text{ ft}} (129.6) = 7.557 \text{ Btu/h}\cdot\text{ft}^2\cdot^\circ\text{F}$$

$$A_s = \pi DL = \pi(3/12 \text{ ft})(2 \text{ ft}) = 1.571 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$\dot{Q}_{conv} = hA_s(T_s - T_\infty) = (7.557 \text{ Btu/h}\cdot\text{ft}^2\cdot^\circ\text{F})(1.571 \text{ ft}^2)(86 - 54)^\circ\text{F} = \mathbf{380 \text{ Btu/h}}$$

