

5-91 Carbon steel balls are to be annealed at a rate of 2500/h by heating them first and then allowing them to cool slowly in ambient air at a specified rate. The total rate of heat transfer from the balls to the ambient air is to be determined.

Assumptions **1** The thermal properties of the balls are constant. **2** There are no changes in kinetic and potential energies. **3** The balls are at a uniform temperature at the end of the process

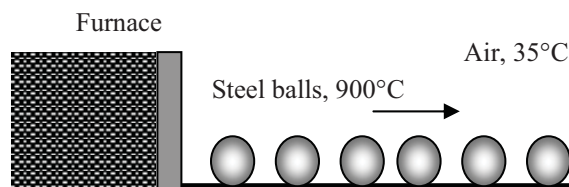
Properties The density and specific heat of the balls are given to be $\rho = 7833 \text{ kg/m}^3$ and $c_p = 0.465 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot^\circ\text{C}$.

Analysis We take a single ball as the system. The energy balance for this closed system can be expressed as

$$\underbrace{E_{\text{in}} - E_{\text{out}}}_{\substack{\text{Net energy transfer} \\ \text{by heat, work, and mass}}} = \underbrace{\Delta E_{\text{system}}}_{\substack{\text{Change in internal, kinetic,} \\ \text{potential, etc. energies}}}$$

$$-Q_{\text{out}} = \Delta U_{\text{ball}} = m(u_2 - u_1)$$

$$Q_{\text{out}} = mc(T_1 - T_2)$$



(b) The amount of heat transfer from a single ball is

$$m = \rho V = \rho \frac{\pi D^3}{6} = (7833 \text{ kg/m}^3) \frac{\pi (0.008 \text{ m})^3}{6} = 0.00210 \text{ kg}$$

$$Q_{\text{out}} = mc_p(T_1 - T_2) = (0.0021 \text{ kg})(0.465 \text{ kJ/kg}\cdot^\circ\text{C})(900 - 100)^\circ\text{C} = 0.781 \text{ kJ (per ball)}$$

Then the total rate of heat transfer from the balls to the ambient air becomes

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{out}} = \dot{n}_{\text{ball}} Q_{\text{out}} = (2500 \text{ balls/h}) \times (0.781 \text{ kJ/ball}) = 1,953 \text{ kJ/h} = \mathbf{542 \text{ W}}$$