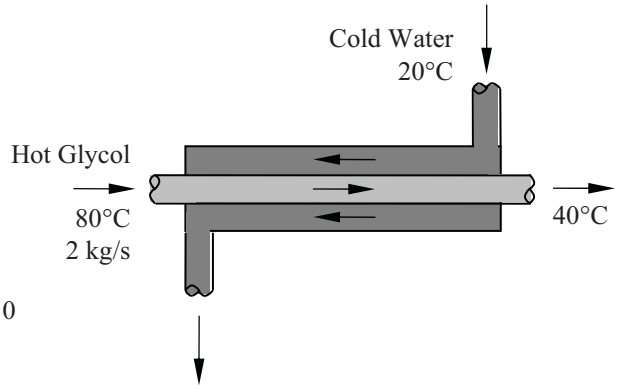
6-85 Ethylene glycol is cooled by water in a heat exchanger. The rate of heat transfer in the heat exchanger and the mass flow rate of water are to be determined.

Assumptions **1** Steady operating conditions exist. **2** The heat exchanger is well-insulated so that heat loss to the surroundings is negligible and thus heat transfer from the hot fluid is equal to the heat transfer to the cold fluid. **3** Changes in the kinetic and potential energies of fluid streams are negligible. **4** Fluid properties are constant.

Properties The specific heats of water and ethylene glycol are given to be 4.18 and 2.56 kJ/kg.°C, respectively.



Analysis (*a*) We take the ethylene glycol tubes as the system, which is a control volume. The energy balance for this steady-flow system can be expressed in the rate form as

$$\underbrace{\dot{E}_{\text{in}} - \dot{E}_{\text{out}}}_{\substack{\text{Rate of net energy transfer}\\ \text{by heat, work, and mass}}} = \underbrace{\Delta \dot{E}_{\text{system}}^{\nearrow 0 \text{ (steady)}}}_{\substack{\text{Rate of change in internal, kinetic,}\\ \text{potential, etc. energies}}} = 0$$

$$\dot{E}_{\text{in}} = \dot{E}_{\text{out}}$$

$$\dot{m}h_1 = \dot{Q}_{\text{out}} + \dot{m}h_2 \quad (\text{since } \Delta\text{ke} \cong \Delta\text{pe} \cong 0)$$

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{out}} = \dot{m}c_p(T_1 - T_2)$$

Then the rate of heat transfer becomes

$$\dot{Q} = [\dot{m}c_p(T_{in} - T_{out})]_{\text{glycol}} = (2\text{ kg/s})(2.56\text{ kJ/kg.°C})(80°\text{C} - 40°\text{C}) = \mathbf{204.8\ kW}$$

(*b*) The rate of heat transfer from glycol must be equal to the rate of heat transfer to the water. Then,

$$\dot{Q} = [\dot{m}c_p(T_{\text{out}} - T_{\text{in}})]_{\text{water}} \longrightarrow \dot{m}_{\text{water}} = \frac{\dot{Q}}{c_p(T_{\text{out}} - T_{\text{in}})} = \frac{204.8\text{ kJ/s}}{(4.18\text{ kJ/kg.°C})(55°\text{C} - 20°\text{C})} = \mathbf{1.4\ kg/s}$$