8-150 Water is heated by hot oil in a heat exchanger. The outlet temperature of the oil and the rate of entropy generation within the heat exchanger 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 oil are given to be 4.18 and 2.3 kJ/kg.°C, respectively.

Analysis (*a*) We take the cold water 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





Then the rate of heat transfer to the cold water in this heat exchanger becomes

$$\dot{Q} = [\dot{m}c_p(T_{\text{out}} - T_{\text{in}})]_{\text{water}} = (4.5 \text{ kg/s})(4.18 \text{ kJ/kg.}^{\circ}\text{C})(70^{\circ}\text{C} - 20^{\circ}\text{C}) = 940.5 \text{ kW}$$

Noting that heat gain by the water is equal to the heat loss by the oil, the outlet temperature of the hot oil is determined from

$$\dot{Q} = [\dot{m}c_p(T_{\rm in} - T_{\rm out})]_{\rm oil} \rightarrow T_{\rm out} = T_{\rm in} - \frac{\dot{Q}}{\dot{m}c_p} = 170^{\circ}\text{C} - \frac{940.5 \text{ kW}}{(10 \text{ kg/s})(2.3 \text{ kJ/kg.}^{\circ}\text{C})} = 129.1^{\circ}\text{C}$$

(b) The rate of entropy generation within the heat exchanger is determined by applying the rate form of the entropy balance on the entire heat exchanger:

$$\underbrace{\dot{S}_{\text{in}} - \dot{S}_{\text{out}}}_{\text{Rate of net entropy transfer}} + \underbrace{\dot{S}_{\text{gen}}}_{\text{Rate of entropy}} = \underbrace{\Delta \dot{S}_{\text{system}}}_{\text{Rate of change}} \underbrace{\Delta \dot{S}_{\text{system}}}_{\text{Rate of change}}$$

$$\dot{m}_1 s_1 + \dot{m}_3 s_3 - \dot{m}_2 s_2 - \dot{m}_3 s_4 + \dot{S}_{\text{gen}} = 0 \quad (\text{since } Q = 0)$$

$$\dot{m}_{\text{water}} s_1 + \dot{m}_{\text{oil}} s_3 - \dot{m}_{\text{water}} s_2 - \dot{m}_{\text{oil}} s_4 + \dot{S}_{\text{gen}} = 0$$

$$\dot{S}_{\text{gen}} = \dot{m}_{\text{water}} (s_2 - s_1) + \dot{m}_{\text{oil}} (s_4 - s_3)$$

Noting that both fluid streams are liquids (incompressible substances), the rate of entropy generation is determined to be

$$\dot{S}_{gen} = \dot{m}_{water} c_p \ln \frac{T_2}{T_1} + \dot{m}_{oil} c_p \ln \frac{T_4}{T_3}$$

= (4.5 kg/s)(4.18 kJ/kg.K) ln $\frac{70 + 273}{20 + 273}$ + (10 kg/s)(2.3 kJ/kg.K) ln $\frac{129.1 + 273}{170 + 273}$
= **0.736 kW/K**