Chapter 16 Problem 67 [†]

Given

D = 15 cm = 0.15 m r = 0.075 m l = 65 cm = 0.65 mP = 34 kW = 34000 W

Solution

What is the temperature of the log?

First find the surface area of the log. Each end of the log will have the area of a circle.

$$A_{end} = \pi r^2 = \pi (0.075 \ m)^2 = 0.0177 \ m^2$$

The side of the cylinder has an area of

$$A_{side} = 2\pi rl = 2\pi (0.075 \ m)(0.65 \ m) = 0.306 \ m^2$$

The total surface area of the log is then

$$A = A_{side} + 2A_{end} = (0.306 \ m^2) + 2(0.0177 \ m^2) = 0.341 \ m^2$$

From the Stefan-Boltzmann equation we have

$$P = \epsilon \sigma A T^4$$

Assuming emissivity is 1, then the temperature is

$$T = \left(\frac{P}{\sigma A}\right)^{1/4} = \left(\frac{34000 W}{(5.67 \times 10^{-8} W/m^2 \cdot K^4)(0.341 m^2)}\right)^{1/4} = 1150 K$$

[†]Problem from Essential University Physics, Wolfson