10.302 Fall 2004 **QUIZ**

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Re-consider Problem 7.63 of I&D. (The problem is reproduced on the attached page for convenience.)

Since copper has such a high thermal conductivity ($k_{cu} \cong 400 \text{ W/m} \cdot \text{K}$), a question has been raised as to whether it is really legitimate to neglect axial conduction. Accordingly, please

- 1. Repeat Part A, but include axial conduction.
- 2. Demonstrate either that axial conduction is important or that it can be neglected.
- 3. The problem implicitly assumes that the wire temperature is radially uniform. Demonstrate that this either is or is not true.

Additional Data

- a. For convenience, you may take $\overline{h} = 100 \text{ W/m}^2 \cdot \text{K}$
- b. The energy balance derived in Part A of 7.63 can be expressed in several ways. One version is:

$$\frac{1}{4}\rho c_p V_e D \frac{dT}{dx} + h(T - T_{\infty}) + \epsilon \sigma \left[T^4 - T_{\infty}^4 \right] = 0$$

c. The solution to Part B of 7.63 is

$$T-T_{\infty} = (T_i-T_{\infty}) \exp(-x/L_c)$$

where
$$L_c = \frac{1}{4} \frac{\rho c_p V_e D}{h}$$