

2.13 Find the weak formulation of Eq. (2.1) with the boundary condition

$$-K \frac{dT}{dx} \Big|_{x=0} = h(T - T_\infty) \text{ and } -K \frac{dT}{dx} \Big|_{x=L} = q.$$

Solution:

The general form is given in Eq. 2.17 $\int_0^L \frac{d\phi}{dx} \frac{dT}{dx} dx - \int_0^L \phi Q dx - K \phi \frac{dT}{dx} \Big|_0^L = 0$

Substituting the flux boundary conditions we get

$$\int_0^L \frac{d\phi}{dx} \frac{dT}{dx} dx - \int_0^L \phi Q dx + \phi(L)q - \phi(0)h(T(0) - T_\infty) = 0$$