

Today, we will:

- **Note:** Skip Sec. 5.11
- Discuss **Mean Age and Ventilation Effectiveness** in Section 5.12
- Discuss **Make-up Air Operating Costs** in Section 5.13
- Do an example problem – Make-up air operating costs
- ~~If time, begin to discuss Tunnel Ventilation in Section 5.14 (No Time)~~
- Do **Candy Questions** for **Candy Friday**

Sec 5.12 Mean Age & Ventilation Effectiveness

[Useful concepts in the HVAC industry]

Define
A LOCAL
PARAMETER

$$e \equiv \text{effectiveness coefficient} = \frac{t_N}{t_{age,P}}$$

P = some point
(location in the room)

avg. over room

$t_N = \text{avg. residence time in the room}$
of a fluid particle

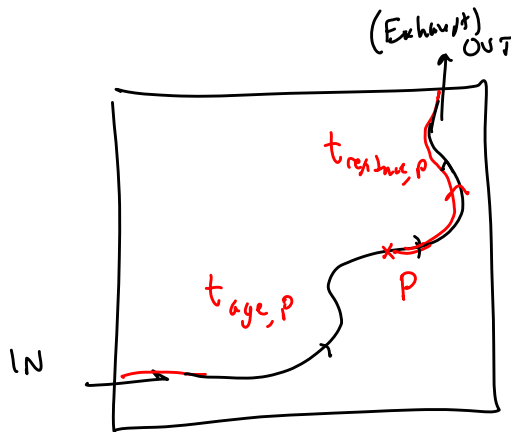
$N = \# \text{ room air changes}$

$$N = Q/V$$

$$t_N = \frac{1}{N} = \frac{V}{Q}$$

local @ one pt

$t_{age,P} = \text{local mean age} \equiv \text{time for a fluid particle entering the room to reach point P}$



$t_{residence,P} = \text{time to go from P to the exhaust}$

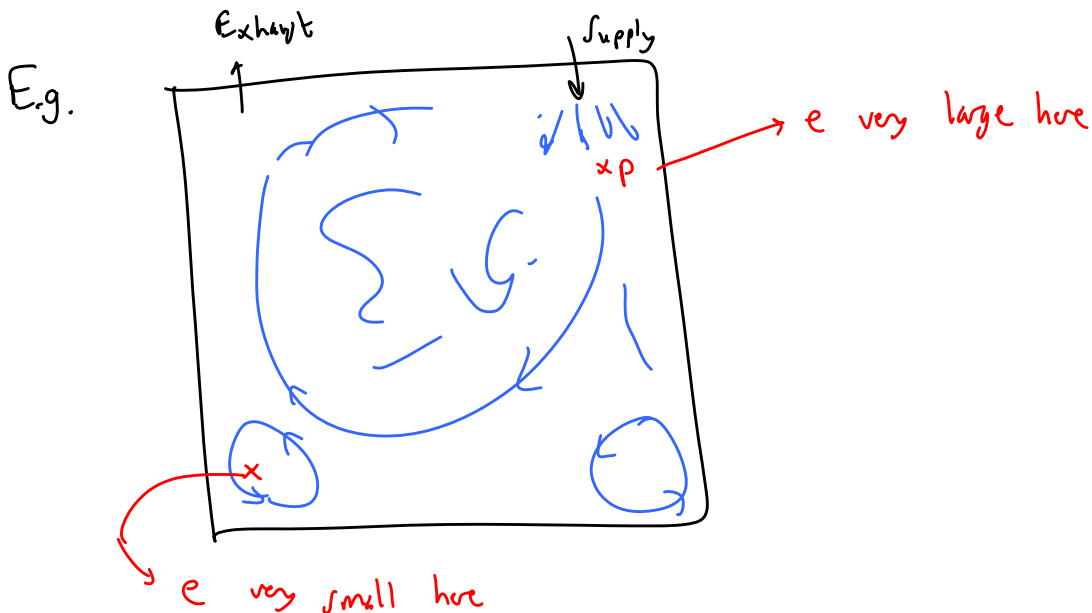
Typically use helium soap bubbles to measure these times

e tells us how well the air is mixed or "changed" @ a point

If $e = 1$ ($t_{age,p} = t_n$) \rightarrow Mixing at that point is the same as what it would be for a perfectly well-mixed room.

If $e < 1$ ($t_{age,p} > t_n$) \rightarrow slower response time
 \rightarrow poor mixing at that point

If $e > 1$ \rightarrow fast response time
 \rightarrow good or vigorous mixing at that point



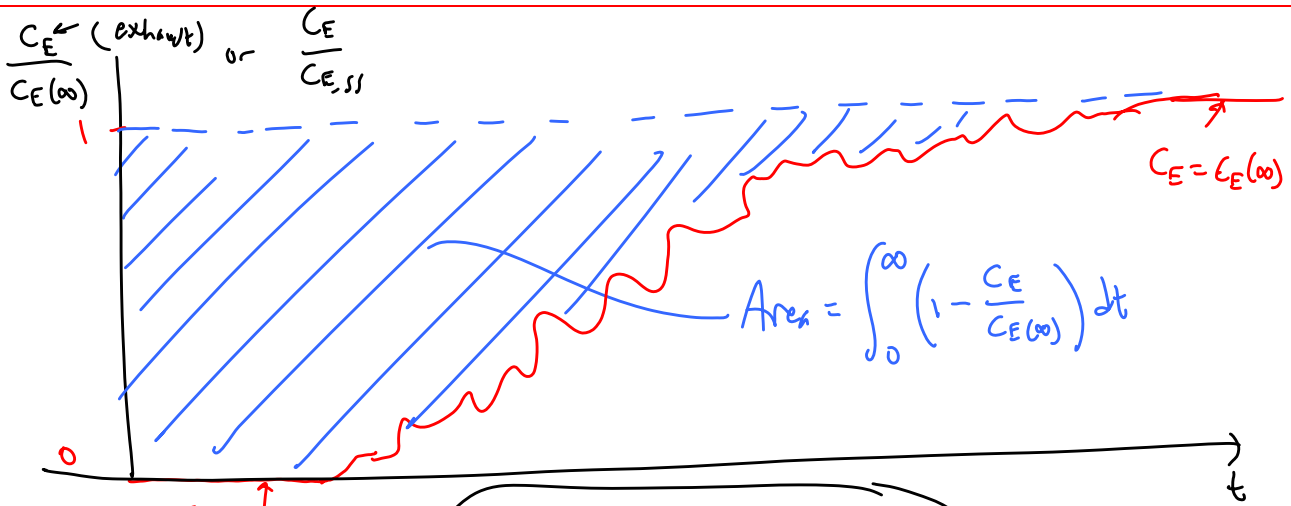
Room mean age $t_{room, avg}$

Use the exhaust location (E) as our point instead of P

$t_{room, age}$ = room-averaged over the whole room \rightarrow it is a global property, not a local property

"Step-up Tracer Experiment"

- start with clean air @ $t=0$
- @ $t=0$ inject a tracer gas (usually SF_6)
@ a steady rate into the supply air



Define $t_{\text{room, avg}} = \frac{\int_0^\infty t \left[1 - \frac{C_E}{C_{E(\infty)}} \right] dt}{\int_0^\infty \left[1 - \frac{C_E}{C_{E(\infty)}} \right] dt}$ = room mean age

Define: $e_{\text{room}} = \frac{t_N}{t_{\text{room, avg}}}$ = room ventilation effectiveness coefficient

A GLOBAL PARAMETER \rightarrow

$t_N = \frac{V}{N} = \frac{V}{Q}$

Example: Given: A room with ideal displacement ventilation

To do: calculate e_{room}



Soln:

$$t_{\text{room, avg}} = \frac{\int_0^\infty t \left[1 - \frac{C_E}{C_{E(\infty)}} \right] dt}{\int_0^\infty \left[1 - \frac{C_E}{C_{E(\infty)}} \right] dt}$$

$= 0$ for $t < t_N$
 $= 1$ for $t > t_N$

$= \frac{t_N}{2}$

$\therefore e_{\text{room}} = \frac{t_N}{t_{\text{room, avg}}} = 2$

It turns out that

$$0 < e_{\text{room}} < 2$$

$e_{\text{room}} = 1$ for perfectly well-mixed ventilation (dilution vent.)
rapid mixing

$e_{\text{room}} = 2$ for ideal displacement ventilation (no mixing)

$1 < e_{\text{room}} < 2$ for performance between ideal disp. & dilution ventilation

$\int_v \rightarrow e_{\text{room}}$ is kind of "efficiency" for the ventilation, except
for the factor of 2

See examples in book

Sec 5.13

Make-up Air Operating Cost

- Make-up air costs \$! [needs to be heated or cooled]
 - high IAQ means large make-up air (Q_m)
 - high energy efficiency (low cost) means small Q_m
- } conflict

HVAC engineers & meteorologists use:

Heating Degree Days	DD_h
Cooling Degree Days	DD_c

For a given city

For one day, calculate the avg. outdoor temperature

$\overline{T_{\text{outdoor}}}$

eg. say 55°F

Define T_{bal} = balance pt. temperature

↳ if $\overline{T}_{outdoor} > T_{bal} \rightarrow$ need A/C

if $\overline{T}_{outdoor} < T_{bal} \rightarrow$ need heat

Standard value of $\underline{\underline{T_{bal} = 65^\circ\text{F}}}$

$$DD_h = (1 \text{ day}) \sum_{365 \text{ days}} \left(T_{bal} - \overline{T}_{outdoor} \right)^{+}$$

Count only when positive

State College $DD_h \approx 6500^\circ\text{F-days}$

Heating season = July 1 to June 30 (one yr.)

Cooling season = Jan 1 to Dec 31 (one yr.)

DD_h or DD_c are published in newspaper each day

COT \rightarrow Oct 15 is the switch day

EXAMPLE: Given: - my house

- $V = 20,000 \text{ ft}^3$

- Assume 1 air change/hr

- Electric heat @ \$0.08/kWh

To do: Estimate my yearly heating cost

Soln: $N = \frac{Q}{V} = \frac{1}{1 \text{ hr}} \rightarrow Q = Q_m = N \cdot V = 333.33 \text{ CFM}$

Eq 5-70:

$$C_{gt} (\$) = 0.154$$

$\Delta T \approx 6500^\circ \text{F} \cdot \text{day}$
 $t_{\text{operating}} = 24 \times 7 = 168$
 $C_{fu} = \text{unit fuel cost} = \$0.08/\text{kWh}$
 $Q = 333.33 \text{ CFM}$
 q_{fu} available energy per unit of fuel

Table 5.6 $\rightarrow q_{fu} = 3415 \text{ Btu/kWh}$ for elec. heat

$$C_{gt} = \$1,313 \Rightarrow \$1300$$

[Actually, I have a geothermal heat pump with a coefficient of performance (COP) of about 3.]

So - I pay only about $\frac{1}{3}$ of this amount to heat my house.