

HW#4**Assigned: Thursday, September 17, 2009****Due: Thursday, October 1, 2009**

We derived the shape factor using Finite Difference method for a 2-D problem. Now using either F.D or the equation below:

$$\sigma = \frac{1}{V_i} \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{A_i}{d_i} \quad (\text{Kazemi-Gilman, 1990})$$

Where

V: Volume of the matrix block

A: Area of a surface open to flow in a given flow direction

d: distance from the open surface to the center of the matrix block

n: number of faces

Σ : Summation over all open surfaces of a matrix block

Part a) Show that for a cylindrical matrix block: $\sigma = \frac{8}{d^2}$

Part b) Show that for a spherical matrix block: $\sigma = \frac{12}{d^2}$

Part c)

Derive the shape factor for the 2D homogeneous anisotropic case using the finite difference method. Use the following coordinate transformation:

$$(x, y) \rightarrow (\bar{X}, \bar{Y})$$

where

$$\bar{X} = \frac{x}{\sqrt{k_{xm}}}$$

$$\bar{Y} = \frac{y}{\sqrt{k_{ym}}}$$