

of the class, who was able to propose a new constitutive equation. Preliminary evaluation of this proposal shows promise and suggests further work. Another project involved the application of polymers as photoresist or e-beam resist materials in microelectronics industry. Resist spinning on semiconductor wafers was modeled. The relevant continuity and dynamic equations were established in this effort. Analytical solution was obtained only through the incorporation of rather drastic assumptions. More accurate results rely on incorporation of improved viscoelastic equations and concentration-dependent solvent diffusion rate expressions.

Other problems included the effect of pressure-dependent viscosity on injection molding, dynamic behavior of a single-screw extruder, bubble rise in a viscous medium, and attempts at modeling high-conversion polymerization reactors. As a result of these class efforts, some potential long-term research projects were nucleated. □

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## ChE stirred pots

### HEAT EXCHANGERS

#### *The Agony and the Ecstasy*

*Premeditated motions*

*Control the beckoning valves.*

*Water begins its hereditary migration*

*Towards the shell side*

*While steam penetrates other water*

*Destined by ulterior motives to ramble*

*In a twisting gyrating frenzy*

*To the tube side.*

*Swept up in the confusion*

*Of bombarding torrents*

*A decision must be reached*

*By the bold few who dare*

*Comprehend heat exchangers,*

*IS there a heat balance?*

*Time vacates as great minds*

*Ponder through flow rate commandments*

*And theories of original heat.*

*Minds seeking to know*

*Whys and wherefores,*

*Pros and cons,*

*Ins and outs,*

*And clues only heat exchangers can provides*

*The elusive stigma attached to heat transfer.*

*Peering through the cheap answers*

*The truth shyly steps forward;*

*Heat has indeed been abducted*

*By common two-bit fouling resistance schemes*

*Use primarily by alien heat exchangers*

*Affiliated with corporations of ill repute*

*And shady character profiles.*

*This then becomes . . . the agony.*

*Despite seemingly corrupt odds,*

*Heat transfer does occur;*

*The hot gets colder*

*The cold gets hotter*

*And data gets its wish, a plot.*

*How can one put into words*

*The ecstasy of a well correlated Wilson plot?*

*How can one man conceived in liberty*

*And dedicated to the proposition*

*That all men are created equal*

*Stand up and boldly proclaim*

*"I have found it . . . heat exchangers!"*

*Let this man step forward and be heard,*

*For he has indeed found*

*The elusive truth;*

*And this is . . . the ecstasy.*

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