

# On determination of the basic characteristics of free convective heat exchange near a flat vertical surface

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## *Abstract*

The results of mathematical modeling of free convective heat exchange near a semiinfinite, impermeable, flat vertical surface have been presented. The features of velocity and temperature fields as functions of the boundary conditions and the Prandtl number have been studied. Tables of numerical solutions have been given. The results obtained have been compared to the numerical data of other authors.

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