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## NOMENCLATURE

C	Heat capacity
k	constant, k=1,2 for cylinder & sphere respectively
K	thermal conductivity, W/m K
L	latent heat, J/Kg
$Q_t$	non-dimensional total heat absorbed
R	radius, m
$r_i$	inner radius, m
$S_t$	Stefan number, $\frac{c(T_s - T_m)}{L}$
t	time, s
$T_m$	melting temperature, K
$T_s$	surface temperature, K

## Greek symbols

$\alpha$	thermal diffusivity, $m^2/s$
$\delta$	Interface location
$\eta$	non-dimensional radial distance of phase front, $\delta/r_i$
$\dot{\eta}$	time rate of non-dimensional radial distance of phase front, $d\eta/d\tau$
$\xi$	non-dimensional radial distance within phase change, $r/r_i$
$\rho$	density, $Kg/m^3$
$\theta$	non-dimensional temperature, $\frac{T - T_m}{T_s - T_m}$
$\tau$	non-dimensional time, $\frac{\alpha t}{r_i^2}$