

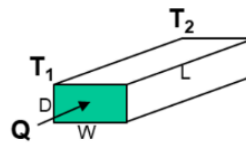
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Homework



A steel plate (width $W=2\text{cm}$, length $L=10\text{cm}$, thickness $D=1\text{cm}$, conductivity $=43.3\text{W/m}^\circ\text{C}$) is used to conduct the heat from the hot end ($T_1=100^\circ\text{C}$) to cold end ($T_2=20^\circ\text{C}$).

- (a) How many watts of the heat (Q) can be conducted through the steel plate?
- (b) How to improve the heat transfer capability based on the same hot end ($T_1=100^\circ\text{C}$) and cold end ($T_2=20^\circ\text{C}$) temperatures?



Heat Transfer Mechanism-Conduction



- Conduction in a solid is the transfer of heat from one point in the solid to another as a result of a temperature gradient.
- Conduction cannot occur in a vacuum. Molecules must be present for conduction to take place.

Conduction equation : $Q = -KA \frac{dT}{dx}$; or $Q = KA (T_1 - T_2)/X$

Where, Q = rate of heat conduction along the X direction, W

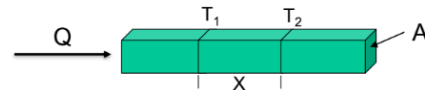
K = thermal conductivity, $W/m^\circ\text{C}$

A = cross-section area of the path, m^2

dT/dX = temperature gradient along the path, $^\circ\text{C}/\text{m}$

T_1, T_2 = surface temperature, $^\circ\text{C}$

X = distance between T_1 & T_2



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In [3]: `import numpy as np`

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# Given values
k = 43.3 # Thermal conductivity in W/m°C
W = 0.02 # Width in meters
L = 0.1 # Length in meters
D = 0.01 # Thickness in meters
T1 = 100 # Hot end temperature in °C
T2 = 20 # Cold end temperature in °C

# Cross-sectional area
A = D * W
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# Temperature difference
delta_T = T1 - T2

# Heat conducted using Fourier's Law
Q = (k * A * delta_T) / L

# Output results
Q
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Out[3]: 6.927999999999999

(b) How to improve heat transfer capability:

There are several ways to improve the heat transfer capability while maintaining the same temperature difference:

1. **Increase thermal conductivity ((k)):**

- Use a material with higher thermal conductivity.

2. **Increase the cross-sectional area ((A)):**

- Increase either the width ((W)) or length ((L)) of the steel plate.

3. **Reduce thickness ((D)):**

- Make the plate thinner.

4. **Use a better thermal interface material:**

- Place a high-conductivity material between the steel plate and the heat sources.