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Guidelines for this week's submission:

A short summary about the conductive heat transfer and solving the same exercise with $L = 0.4$ m, $A = 20$ m², $\Delta T = 25$, and $k = 0.78$ W/m K using both simple method and using the resistance concept

<https://github.com/bnajafi/TES_2019-2020_weeklySubmissions/tree/master/Week%201>

Summary - Conductive heat transfer

Heat transfer through the wall of a house can be modeled as *steady & one-dimensional*, it means, that the *heat transfer is constant* and the distribution of the temperature goes in a *straight line*

Fourier's law of heat conduction:

$$\dot{Q}_{cond,wall} = kA \frac{T_1 - T_2}{L} \text{ (W)}$$

k - Conductivity (Depends on the material)

A - Area of the wall's surface

T₁ - External temperature

T₂ - Internal temperature

L - Thickness of the wall

Thermal Resistance Concept:

Conduction resistance of the wall

Thermal resistance of the wall against heat conduction

$$\dot{Q}_{cond,wall} = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{R_{wall}} \text{ (W)}$$

$$R_{wall} = \frac{L}{kA} \text{ (}^\circ\text{C/W)}$$

Solving the exercise

1. Simple way:

$$\dot{Q} = kA \frac{\Delta T}{L} = 0.78 * 20 * \frac{25}{0.4} = 975 \text{ W}$$

2. Through thermal resistance:

$$R_{wall} = \frac{L}{kA} = \frac{0.4}{0.78 * 20} = 0.0256 \text{ }^\circ\text{C/W}$$

$$\dot{Q} = \frac{\Delta T}{R_{wall}} = \frac{25}{0.0256} = 976.5 \text{ W}$$