

Task 1:

- a) **Emissivity:** It is defined as the ratio of the energy radiated from a material's surface to that radiated from a perfect emitter, at the same temperature and wavelength and under the same viewing conditions.
- b) **Absorptivity:** The ratio of the absorbed heat to the total energy of the projected heat onto the object. The object that can absorb all the rays is a black body, and its absorption rate is 1.
- c) **Reflectivity:** It is an optical property of material, which describes how much light is reflected from the material in relation to an amount of light incident on the material.
- d) **The view factor:** The view factor F_{12} is the fraction of energy exiting an isothermal, opaque, and diffuse surface 1 [by emission or reflection], that directly to the surface 2.
- e) **The heat exchange between two black surfaces:** The black surfaces will constantly absorb and emission all the radiation. Suppose there are two black surfaces with given area, A_1 for the first object and A_2 for the second object.
- f) **The heat exchange between two grey surfaces:** The two grey surfaces will absorb and reflect a certain fraction of radiation. The reflect part will also constantly absorb by the other side for a certain fraction and reflect the other radiation, and the same thing happens in the other surface. The radiation will generally lose its power during the process.
- g) **Radiation resistance:** It is a value to measure the energy depleted by loss resistance which is converted to heat radiation, the energy lost by radiation resistance converted to radio waves.

Task 2:

When $\varepsilon_1=0.2$, $\varepsilon_2=0.7$,

$$Q_{\text{net}12} = A\sigma(T_1^4 - T_2^4) / [(1/\varepsilon_1) + (1/\varepsilon_2) - 1] = \mathbf{3624.41A\ W}$$

When $\varepsilon_1=0.1$, $\varepsilon_2=0.1$,

$$Q_{\text{net}12} = A\sigma(T_1^4 - T_2^4) / [(1/\varepsilon_1) + (1/\varepsilon_2) - 1] = \mathbf{1035.81A\ W}$$

In conclusion: The increase of emissivity resulting in the increase of heat exchange between the two parallel plates.