

Conduction

· Heat transfer is an exchange of energy, it happens between a molecule of matter containing a temperature difference, which occurs in a gas, Liquid or solid with different temperature.

Question:

$L = 0.4 \text{ m}$, $A = 20 \text{ m}^2$, $\Delta T = 25$, and $k = 0.78 \text{ W/mK}$, find the rate of heat transfer through the wall

Solution:

$$\dot{Q} = kA \frac{\Delta T}{L} = 0.78 \frac{\text{W}}{\text{mK}} * 20 \text{m}^2 * \frac{25}{0.4 \text{m}} = 975 \text{W}$$

$$R_{\text{wall}} = \frac{L}{kA} = \frac{0.4 \text{m}}{0.78 \text{W/mK} * 20 \text{m}^2} \approx 0.0256 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C/W}$$

$$\dot{Q} = \frac{\Delta T}{R_{\text{wall}}} = \frac{25}{0.0256 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C/W}} \approx 976.56 \text{W}$$