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1 Short summary about the conductive heat transfer.

The rate of heat conduction through a plane wall

- Is proportional to the average thermal conductivity (willingness of material to transfer heat), the wall area and the temperature difference.
- But is inversely proportional to the wall thickness (the thicker the wall, the less heat goes through it).
- Once the rate of heat conduction is available, the temperature $T(x)$ at any location x can be determined by replacing t by T and L by x

2 Solving the same class exercise where $L=0.4\text{m}$, $A=20\text{m}^2$, $\Delta T = 25$, and $K=0.78\text{w/mK}$ using both simple and resistance methods.

- Simple method

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

- Resistance method

$$\begin{aligned}R_{wall} &= \frac{L}{kA} \\ &= \frac{0.4}{0.78 * 20} \\ &= 0.0256^\circ \frac{\text{C}}{\text{W}}\end{aligned}\qquad \begin{aligned}\dot{Q} &= \frac{\Delta T}{R_{wall}} \\ &= \frac{25}{0.0256^\circ \frac{\text{C}}{\text{W}}} \\ &= 976.5 \text{ W}\end{aligned}$$