Methods of Temperature Distribution Analysis

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Goals

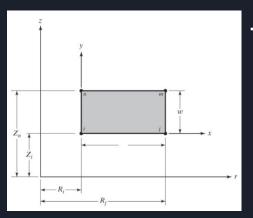
- 1. Create a method that gives results more accurate than FEA
- 2. Use results and code as proof of concept for further expansion for more complex problems and into other fields
- 3. Preferred a design to be quicker and more efficient that ANSYS

Project Introduction

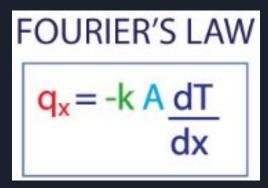
Experimental Procedures:

Finite Element Technique Vs. Fourier's Law

- FEA calculates the temperature at each corner
 - Averages corner temperatures for temperature in direct center
 - Any other point is proportional to the average in respect to location
 - This method results in an estimation
- The analytical method used Fourier's Law as an equation to determine the exact solution



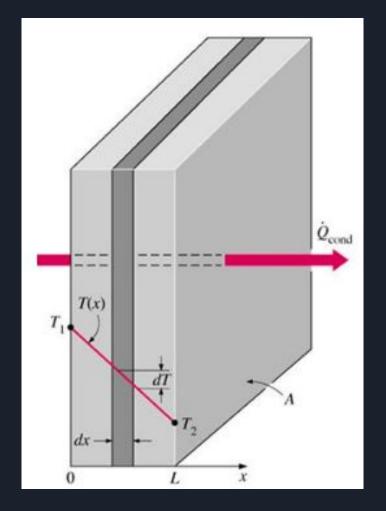
$$T=Si(Ti)+Sj(Tj)+Sk(Tk)...$$



Scenario: 1

Conduction Through a Plane Wall

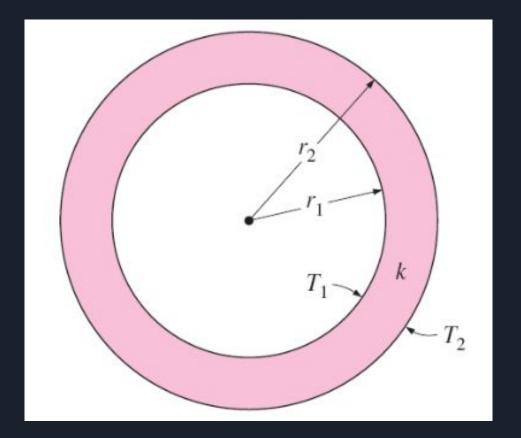
$$\dot{Q}_{\text{cond, wall}} = kA \frac{T_1 - T_2}{L}$$



Scenario: 2

Conduction through cylinder

$$\dot{Q}_{\text{cond, cyl}} = 2\pi Lk \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\ln(r_2/r_1)}$$



Language Selection

- Python was chosen for its reputation for scientific and numerical computing as well as its data visualization capabilities.
- The many and well documented libraries helped in this choice
- Matlab was considered but decided against due to its lack of availability compared to Python (Licensed vs. Free)

Writing the program:

Our program contains 400 words and uses commands from 4 different libraries in addition to the many natural commands. Without these libraries our code would contain an approximated 168,000 words

Libraries used:

- Sympy
- Numpy
- Matplotlib
- Math (built in)

Sympy

Python library with mathematical capabilities outside the realm of the standard python functionality.

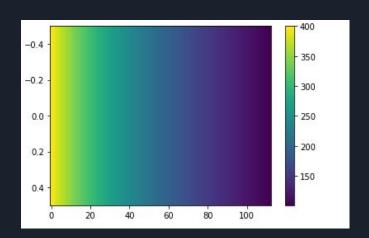
Within the library exists specific packages with specific functionalities for certain purposes.

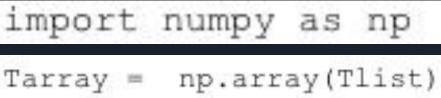


from sympy.matrices import Matrix

Numpy

NumPy is a library for the Python programming language, adding support for large, multi-dimensional arrays and matrices, along with a large collection of high-level mathematical functions to operate on these arrays and visualize the data.



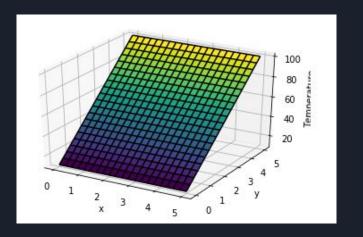




Matplotlib

Matplotlib is a plotting library for the Python programming language and its numerical mathematics extension NumPy.

For simple plotting the pyplot module provides a MATLAB-like interface, particularly when combined with IPython.



import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

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plt.imshow(arr, cmap='viridis', aspect='auto')
plt.colorbar()
plt.show()
```



Math

In python a number of mathematical operations can be performed with ease by importing a module named "math" which defines various functions which makes our tasks easier. This library was developed by Python as a standard library.



import math
pi = math.pi

Analytical Methodology

- User inputs
 - Verify if the geometry is rectangular or cylindrical
 - The dimensions of the object as well as the material property 'k'
 - Desired number of intervals per unit length
 - Boundary Temperatures
 - Coordinates within the object for returning temperature
- Program creates a matrix for every single point from 0 to inputted thickness
- Returns the temperature value at the point requested by the user
- Allows user to request more temperature points

```
G=int(input('Rectangular(1) or Cylinder(2) '))
User chooses a
                                  if G==1:
rectangular prism or
                                     #completed rectangular code
                                     # install sympy
cylinder for analysis
                                     from sympy.matrices import Matrix
                                     #insert user defined parameters
     User defines
                                     k = float(input('k value '))
                                     x = float(input('width of body '))
     parameters for
                                     y = float(input('length of body '))
                                     z = float(input('depth of body '))
     rectangular
                                     i = float(input('number of intervals per unit length '))
     prism
                                     Ti = float(input('Thot'))
                                     Tf = float(input('Tcold'))
                                     # A is the surface area exposed to the heat
                                     A = z * x
                                     #interval equations
                                     l=int((i*x)+1)
                                     w=int((i*y)+1)
                                     #Calculate the heat transfer q
                                     q = k*A*(Ti -Tf)/y
                                     #print('q = ' ,q)
                                     \#print('Ti = ',((q*y)/(k*A))+Tf)
                                     #input requested coordinates
                                     u=1
                                     while u==1:
                                         xi=float(input('x coordinate: '))
                                         yi=float(input('y coordinate: '))
                                         #equation for requested coordinates
```

else: u=0

```
#importing matplotlib for graph
                                       from mpl toolkits import mplot3d
                                       import numpy as np
                                       import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
                                       #defining the fuction and equation to be used
                                       def f(x, y):
                                           return (q*y)/(k*A)+Tf
                                       #defining the x and y area of the graph, the 3rd variable is no.elements=variable-1
                                       x = np.linspace(0, x, 1)
                                       y = np.linspace(0, y, w)
        Creation of
                                       #creating the x and y data ranges
       temperature
                                       X, Y = np.meshgrid(x, y)
            graph
                                       #defining the z axis
                                       Z = f(X, Y)
                                       #creating the graphical space
                                       fig = plt.figure()
                                       ax = plt.axes(projection='3d')
                                       #creating the graph type and appearance
                                       ax.plot_surface(X, Y, Z, rstride=1, cstride=1, cmap='viridis',edgecolor='none')
                                       ax.plot wireframe(X, Y, Z, color='black')
                                       #axix settings
                                       ax.set xlabel('x')
                                       ax.set_ylabel('y')
                                       ax.set zlabel('z');
                                   else:
                                       #finished cylinder code
                                       #insert user defined parameters
                                       ri = float(input('Inner Radius'))
User inputs
                                       ro = float(input('Outer Radius '))
                                       L = float(input('Length of Cylinder '))
parameters for
                                       Ti = float(input('Inner Temperature '))
                                       To = float(input('Outer Temperature '))
cylinder
                                       k = float(input('k value '))
                                       i = float(input('number of intervals per unit length '))
```

```
import numpy as np
                                   import math
                                   pi = math.pi
                                   q = 2*pi*L*k*((Ti-To)/np.log(ro/ri))
                                   print('q = ',q)
                                   #print('To = ' ,Ti-(q*np.log(ro/ri))/(2*pi*L*k))
                                   #input requested coordinates
                                   u=1
                                   while u==1:
                                       rreq=float(input('Distance from ri: '))
                                       #equation for requested coordinates
                                       Tr=Ti-(q*np.log(rreq/ri))/(2*pi*L*k)
distance from
                                       print('This is the temperature for the location you requested:',Tr)
                                       o=input('Request another temperature?(Y/N)')
inner radius for
                                       if o=="Y":
                                           u=1
                                       else:
                                           u=0
                                   import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
                                   import numpy as np
                                   def heatmap2d(arr: np.ndarray):
                                       plt.imshow(arr, cmap='viridis', aspect='auto')
                                       plt.colorbar()
                                       plt.show()
                                   #creates an array of data using np.arange of size () then reshapes into a matrix using .reshape of size (x (,:by) y)
                                   r=ri
                                   size=int(i*(ro-ri)+1)
                                   Tlist = []
                                   while r <= ro:
                                       T = Ti-(q*np.log(r/ri))/(2*pi*L*k)
                                       Tlist.append(T)
 Temperature
                                       r=r+(1/i)
                                    Tarray = np.array(Tlist)
                                    Tmatrix = Tarray.reshape(1,size)
                                    #print(Tmatrix)
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#Calculate the heat transfer q

heatmap2d(Tmatrix)

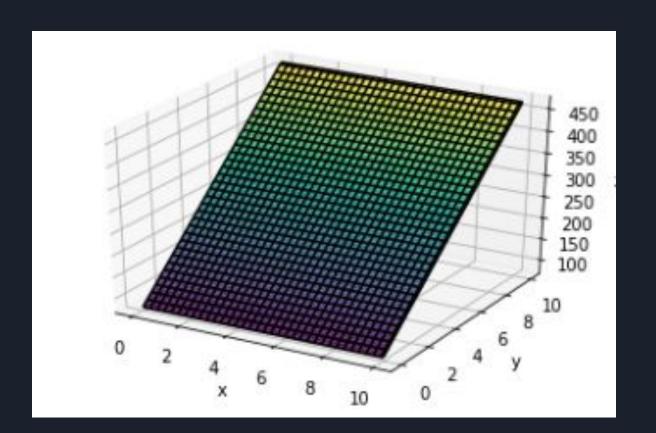
User inputs

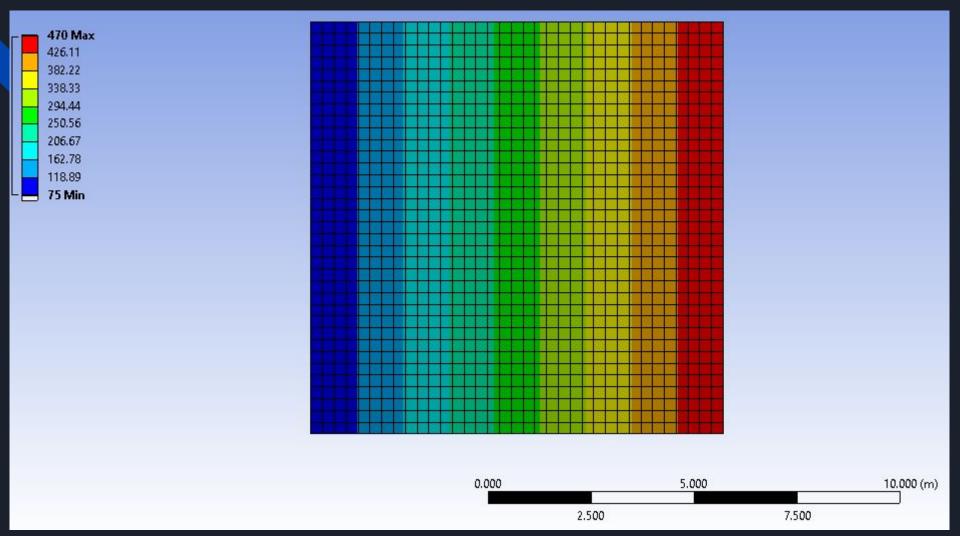
temperature

graph

Structural Steel Rectangular Prism

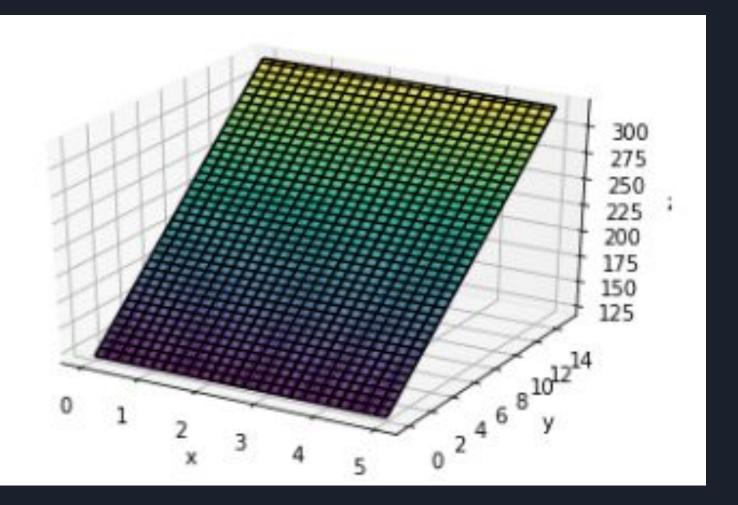
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Rectangular(1) or Cylinder(2) 1
k value 60.5
width of body 10
length of body 10
depth of body 5
number of intervals per unit length 10
Thot 479
Tcold 75
x coordinate: 1.45
v coordinate: 2.86
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 357.03
Request another temperature?(Y/N)Y
x coordinate: 9.75
v coordinate: 6.874
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 198.477000000000003
Request another temperature?(Y/N)Y
x coordinate: 3.33
v coordinate: 5.42
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 255.91
Request another temperature?(Y/N)N
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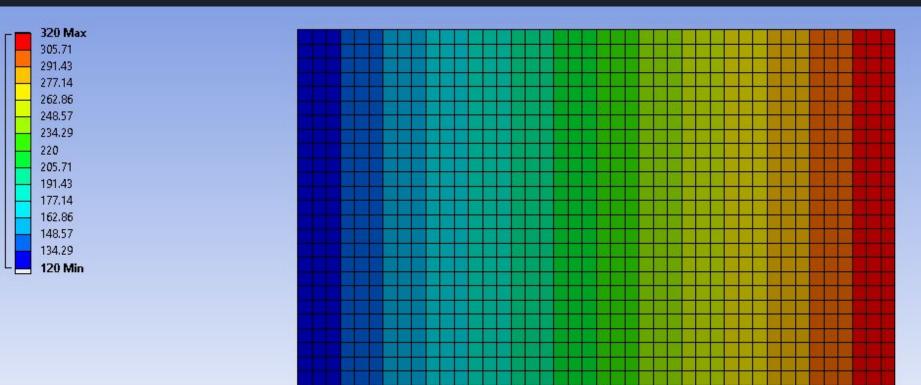




Copper-Bronze Alloy Rectangular Prism

```
Rectangular(1) or Cylinder(2) 1
k value 26
width of body 5
length of body 15
depth of body 10
number of intervals per unit length 10
Thot 320
Tcold 120
x coordinate: 4
v coordinate: 11
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 173.333333333333333
Request another temperature?(Y/N)Y
x coordinate: 3
y coordinate: 14.79
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 122.80000000000001
Request another temperature?(Y/N)Y
x coordinate: 1
y coordinate: 3.789
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 269.48
Request another temperature?(Y/N)N
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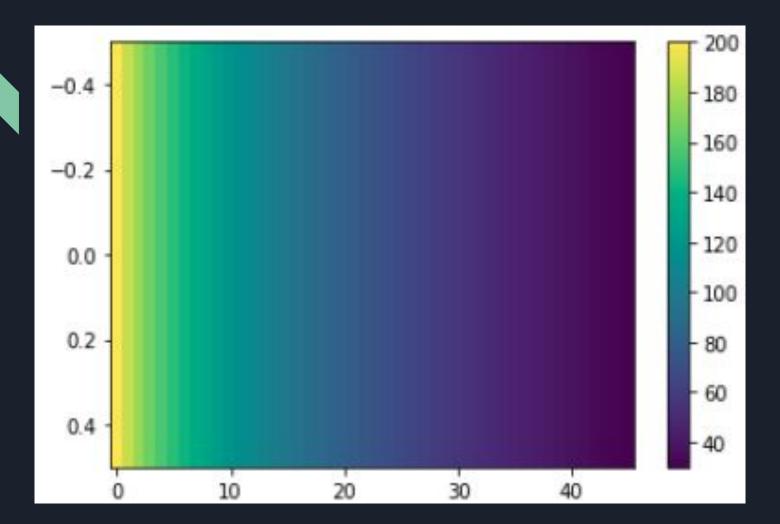


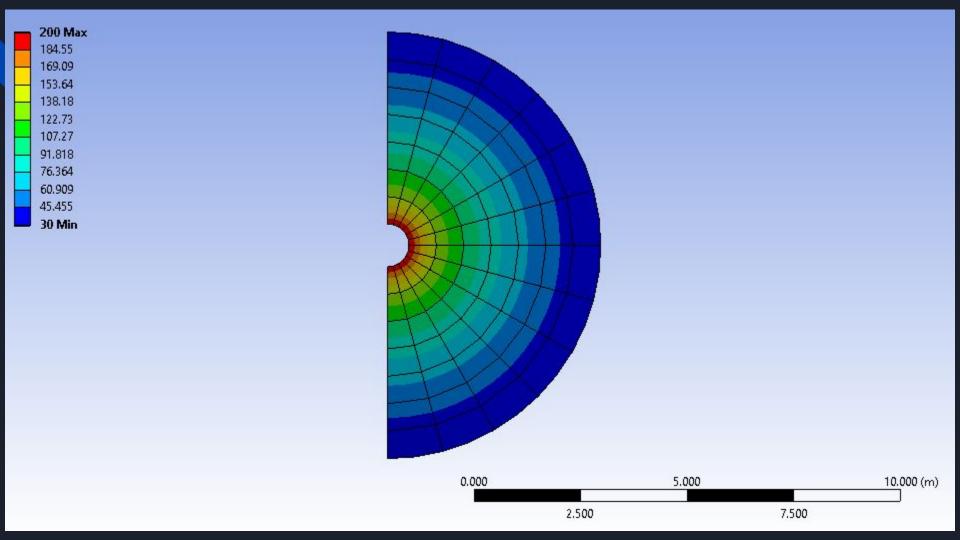




Structural Steel Cylinder

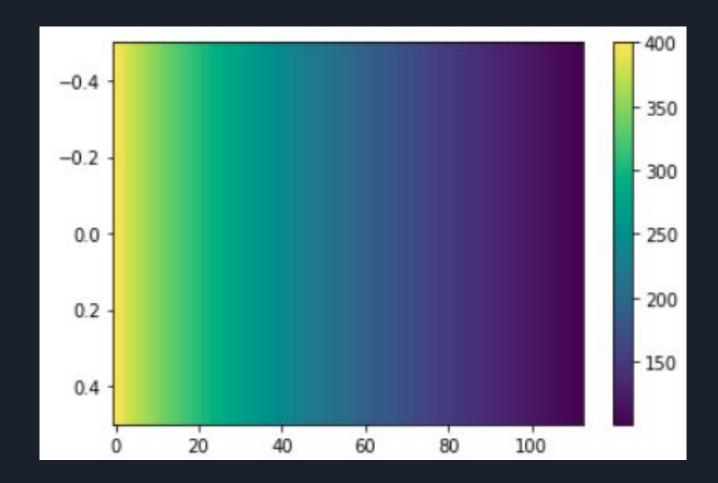
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Rectangular(1) or Cylinder(2) 2
Inner Radius 0.5
Outer Radius 5
Length of Cylinder 10
Inner Temperature 200
Outer Temperature 30
k value 60.5
number of intervals per unit length 10
q = 280652.2159852667
Distance from ri: 1.25
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 132.35019852575363
Request another temperature?(Y/N)Y
Distance from ri: 4
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 46.47470221136962
Request another temperature?(Y/N)Y
Distance from ri: 3.05
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 66.49392804816964
Request another temperature?(Y/N)N
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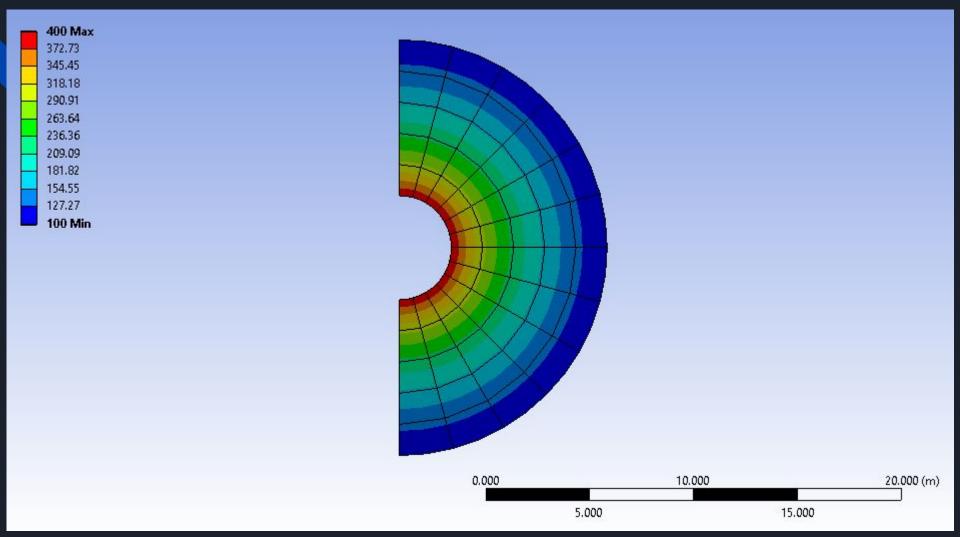




Copper-Bronze Alloy Cylinder

```
Rectangular(1) or Cylinder(2) 2
Inner Radius 2.5
Outer Radius 10
Length of Cylinder 25
Inner Temperature 400
Outer Temperature 100
k value 26
number of intervals per unit length 15
q = 883810.2276563029
Distance from ri: 7
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 177.18597592446375
Request another temperature?(Y/N)Y
Distance from ri: 1.83
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 467.51266695670665
Request another temperature?(Y/N)Y
Distance from ri: 4.32
This is the temperature for the location you requested: 281.6345173747927
Request another temperature?(Y/N)N
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Conclusion

- Data from the coding and FEA methods return the same values
- Each method has its advantages
- Once code has been established, it is very fast and easy to change parameters and return specific points within the body
- It is also much easier for non tech savvy people to collect data
- FEA method is more visually appealing
- It is also easier to create and analyze more complex shapes and bodies
- If only one figure/model needs to be created, FEA would take much less time to create it than coding would

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