

CHE331 – Transport Phenomena I

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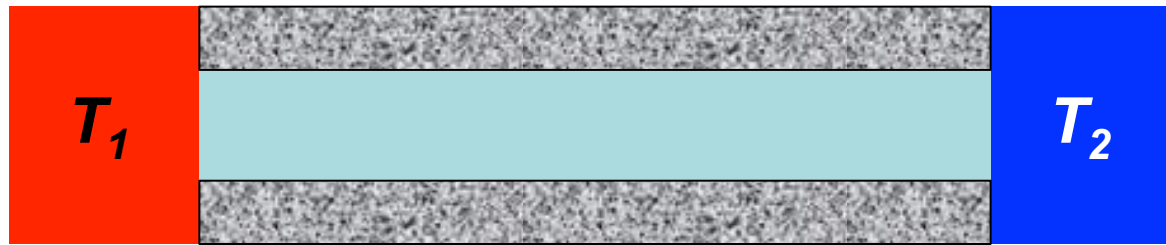
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Introduction to Mathematical Modeling II

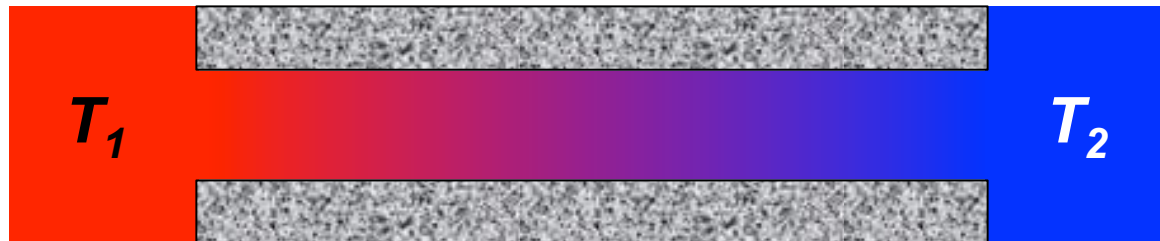
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Mathematical Modeling

Let us now consider a metal bar positioned between two (large) heat sinks as shown in illustration below.



After reasonably long time, i.e. after a steady state condition is reached, we may expect to find:



Mathematical Modeling

Question:

What is the temperature distribution in the metal rod at steady state?

Answer:

We will set up the energy (heat) balance equation for the rod.

List of Variables:

L (=) length of the rod [m]

k (=) thermal conductivity of the metal rod [J/mK]

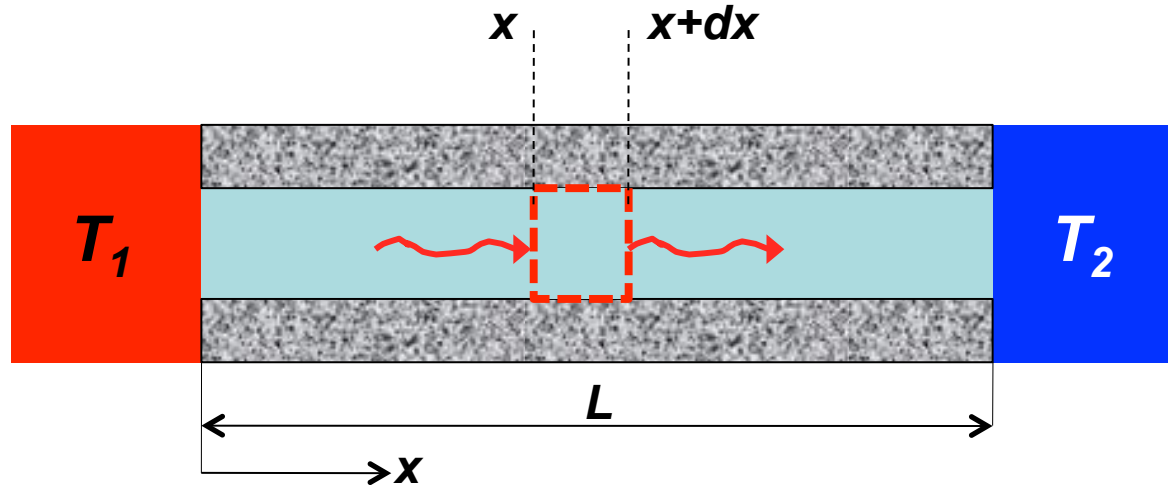
d (=) diameter of the rod [m]

ρ (=) density of the metal [kg/m³]

C_p (=) specific heat of the metal rod [J/kgK]

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Since we are interested in the temperature distribution along the rod we will set up a differential energy balance across one differential element at any non-specific position in the rod.

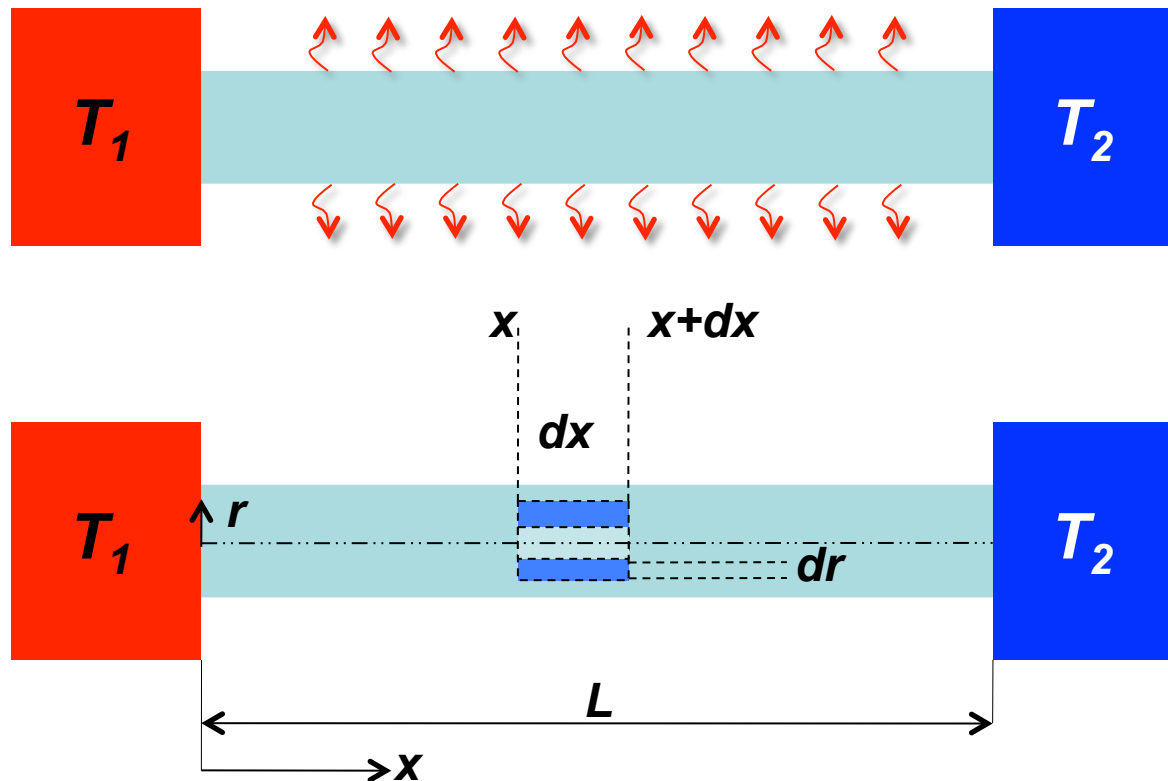


Apply the energy conservation law:

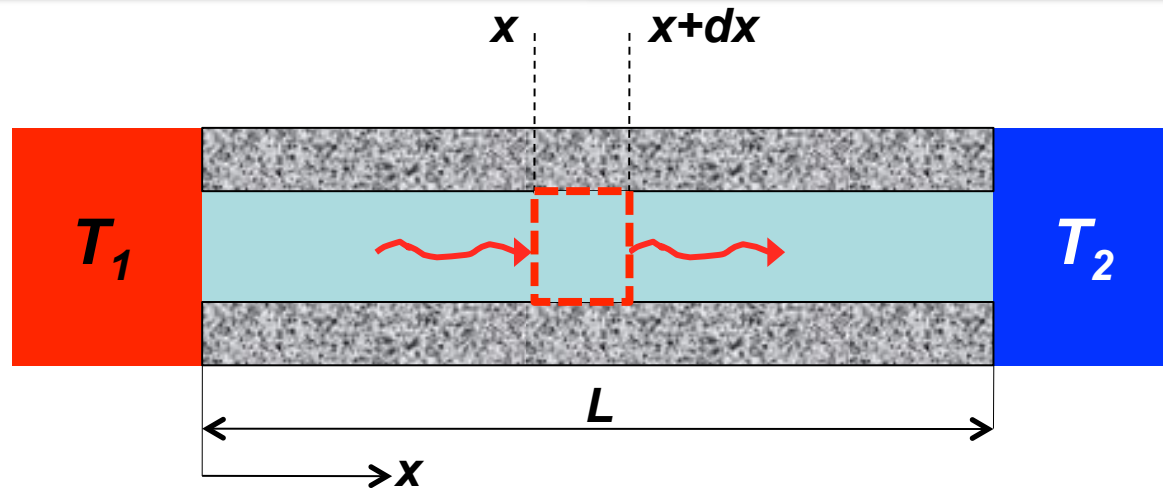
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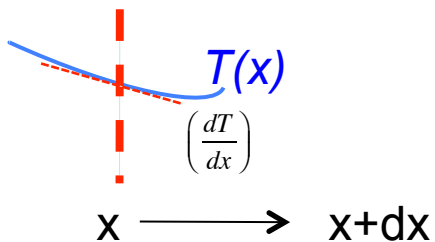


According to the Fourier “law” the flux of heat energy passing through a surface is:

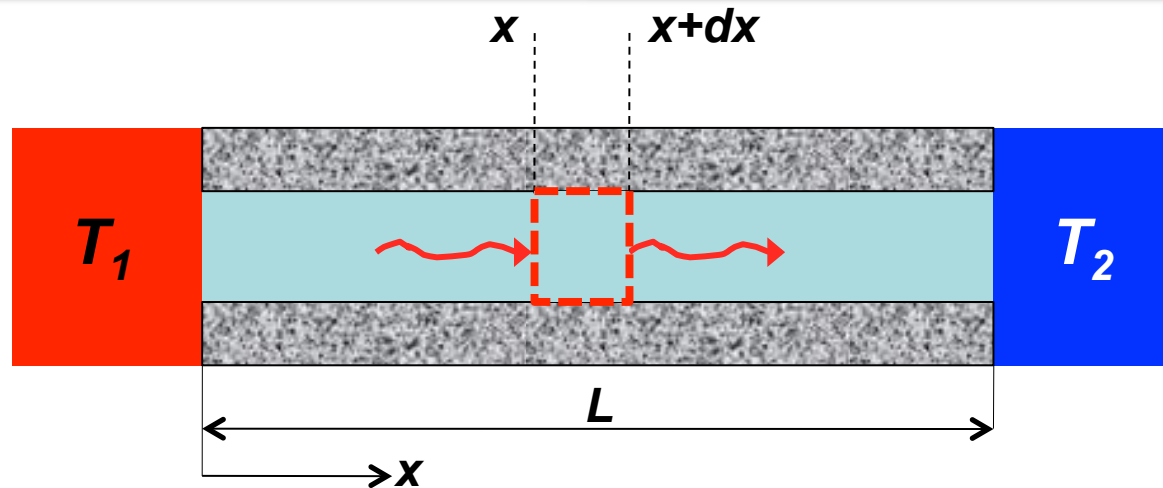
$$\Phi_{heat}|_x = k \left(-\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_x \left[\frac{J}{m^2 \cdot s} \right] \quad \text{flux of energy transported at } x$$

$$q|_x = k \left(\frac{\pi d^2}{4} \right) \left(-\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_x \left[\frac{J}{s} \right] \quad \text{rate of energy transported at } x$$

$$Q|_x = k \left(\frac{\pi d^2}{4} \right) \left(-\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_x \Delta t \quad [J] \quad \text{energy}$$



Mathematical Modeling



Input - Output = Accumulation [J]

$$k \left(\frac{\pi d^2}{4} \right) \left(-\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_x \Delta t - k \left(\frac{\pi d^2}{4} \right) \left(-\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_{x+\Delta x} \Delta t = \rho C_p T \left(\frac{\pi d^2}{4} \right) \Delta x \Big|_{t+\Delta t} - \rho C_p T \left(\frac{\pi d^2}{4} \right) \Delta x \Big|_t \quad [J]$$

$$\left(\frac{J}{m \cdot K \cdot s} \right) (m^2) \left(\frac{K}{m} \right) (s) \quad \left(\frac{kg}{m^3} \right) \left(\frac{J}{kg \cdot K} \right) (K) (m^2) (m)$$

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$$k \left(\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_{x+\Delta x} \Delta t - k \left(\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_x \Delta t = \rho C_p T \Delta x \Big|_{t+\Delta t} - \rho C_p T \Delta x \Big|_t \quad \text{Divide both side with } \rho C_p \Delta t \Delta x$$

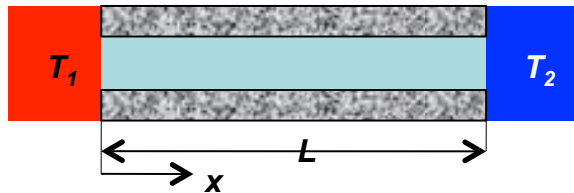
$$\left(\frac{k}{\rho C_p} \right) \frac{\left(\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_{x+\Delta x} - \left(\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_x}{\Delta x} = \frac{T \Big|_{t+\Delta t} - T \Big|_t}{\Delta t}$$

$$\left(\frac{k}{\rho C_p} \right) \lim_{\Delta x \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{\left(\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_{x+\Delta x} - \left(\frac{dT}{dx} \right) \Big|_x}{\Delta x} \right) = \lim_{\Delta t \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{T \Big|_{t+\Delta t} - T \Big|_t}{\Delta t} \right) \Rightarrow \boxed{\left(\frac{k}{\rho C_p} \right) \frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} = \frac{dT}{dt}}$$

Mathematical Modeling

At steady state: $\left(\frac{k}{\rho C_p} \right) \frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} = \cancel{\frac{dT}{dt}} \Rightarrow \left(\frac{k}{\rho C_p} \right) \frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} = 0}$

Thus, mathematical model in differential form:



$$\boxed{\begin{aligned} \frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} &= 0 \\ BC1: @ \quad x=0 \quad T &= T_1 \\ BC2: @ \quad x=L \quad T &= T_2 \end{aligned}}$$

Now we can integrate (twice) the governing differential equation:

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} = 0 \Rightarrow \frac{dT}{dx} = a \Rightarrow T = ax + b$$

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Integration constants a and b , are determined from boundary conditions $BC1$ and $BC2$;

$$T = ax + b \quad \Rightarrow \quad b = T_1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad a = \frac{T_2 - T_1}{L}$$

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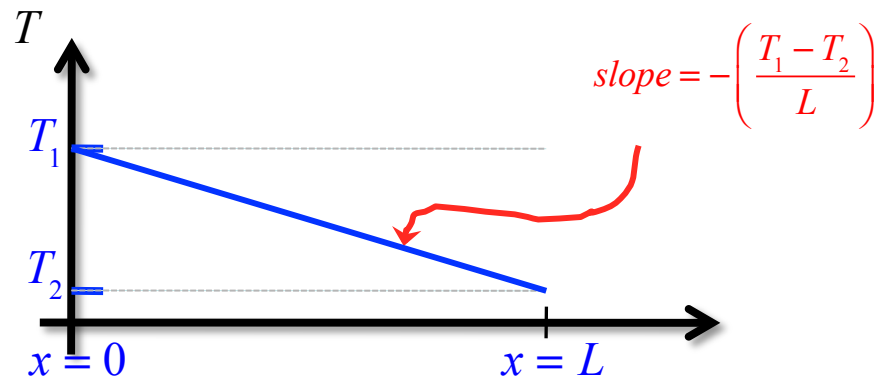
$$T = -\left(\frac{T_1 - T_2}{L}\right)x + T_1$$

Mathematical Modeling

Notice, that the form of the solution (for steady state condition) does not depend on physical properties (k , ρ , C_p) of the metal rod;

$$T = -\left(\frac{T_1 - T_2}{L}\right)x + T_1$$

And, the solution in graphical form;





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