

# Heat Transfer: Radiation

## Kirchhoff's Law

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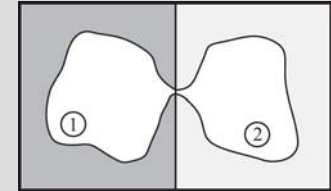
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# Learning goals

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## Virtual experiment:

- ▶ Relationship between absorptivity and emissivity



## Kirchhoff's law:

- ▶ Conditions where " $\varepsilon = \alpha$ " (wavelength independent) is valid?

$$\varepsilon = \alpha$$

## Enclosed body:

Radiation through cavity opening

$$t = 0; \quad T_1 > T_2$$

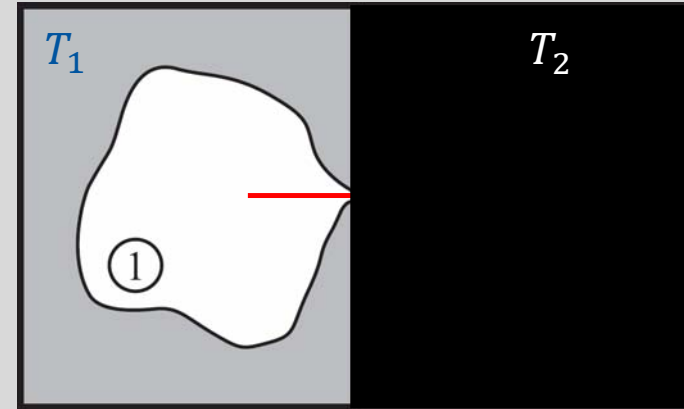
no back reflection through opening from  
Body ② to Body ① (very small gap)

⇒ complete absorption within the body ②

$$t \rightarrow \infty;$$

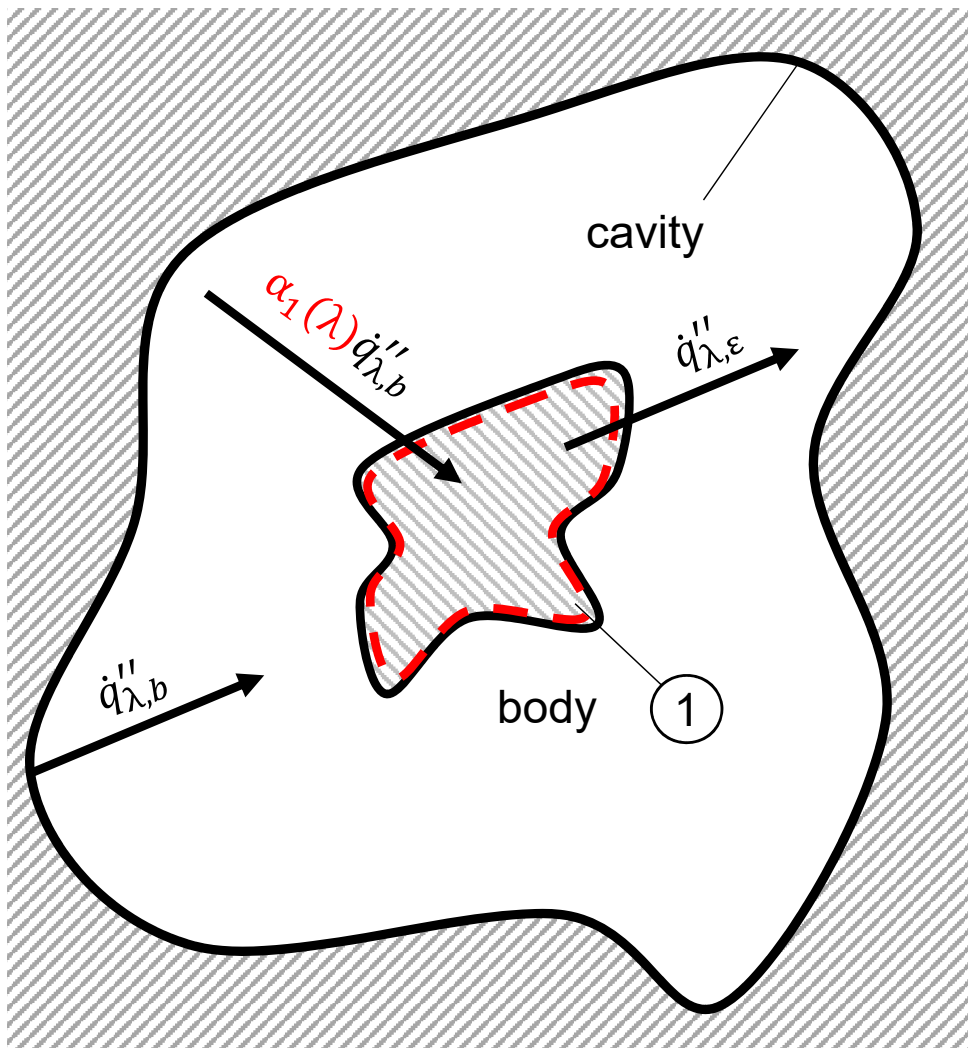
$$T_1 = T_2$$

$$\dot{q}_{1 \rightarrow 2}'' = \dot{q}_{2 \rightarrow 1}''$$



The radiation of a **cavity**  
corresponds to that of a **black**  
**body**

# Enclosed Body



## Radiation:

Incident Radiation:  $\dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}$   
 Absorption:  $\alpha_1(\lambda) \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}$   
 Emission:  $\dot{q}''_{\lambda,\varepsilon}$

## Energy balance body ① :

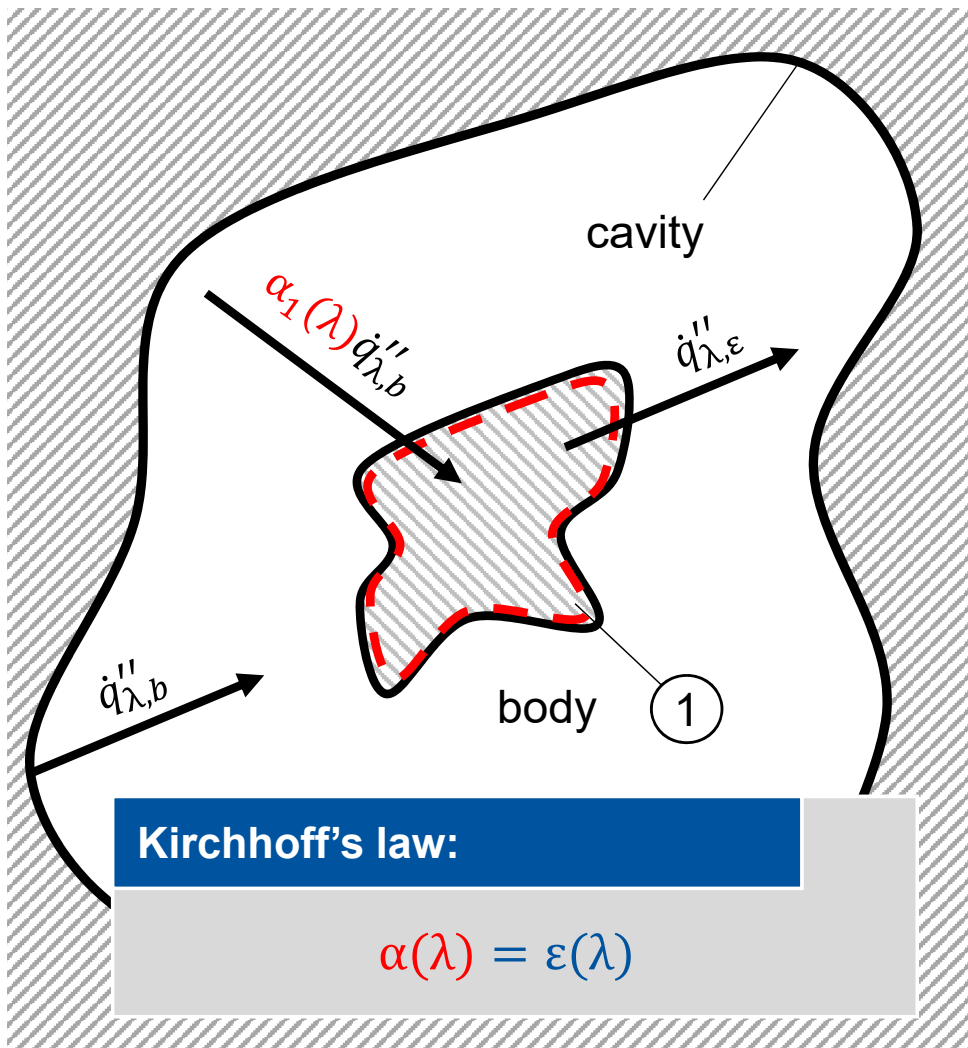
$$\alpha_1(\lambda) \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b} A_1 = \dot{q}''_{\lambda,\varepsilon} A_1$$

$$\alpha(\lambda) = \frac{\dot{q}''_{\lambda,\varepsilon}}{\dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}}$$

## Emissivity definition:

$$\varepsilon(\lambda) = \frac{\text{Heat flux emitted by the body}}{\text{Heat flux emitted by a black body with same temperature}}$$

# Enclosed Body



## Radiation:

Incident Radiation:  $\dot{q}_{\lambda,b}''$   
Absorption:  $\alpha_1(\lambda) \dot{q}_{\lambda,b}''$   
Emission:  $\dot{q}_{\lambda,\varepsilon}''$

## Energy balance body ① :

$$\alpha_1(\lambda) \dot{q}_{\lambda,b}'' A_1 = \dot{q}_{\lambda,\varepsilon}'' A_1$$

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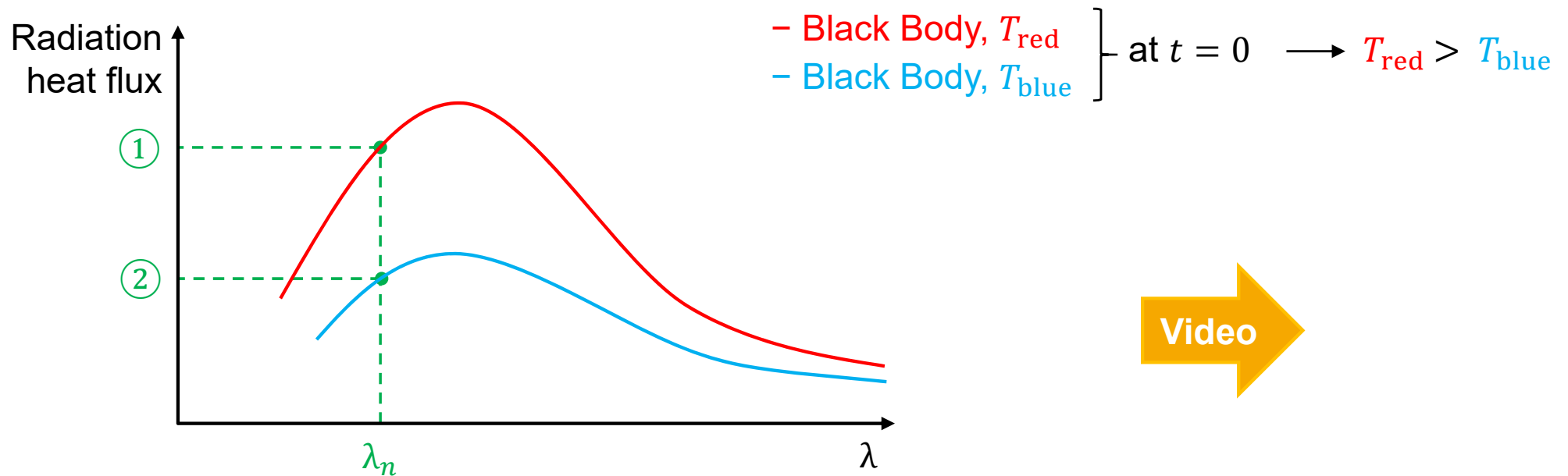
## Emissivity definition:

$$\varepsilon(\lambda) = \frac{\dot{q}_{\lambda,\varepsilon}''}{\dot{q}_{\lambda,b}''}$$

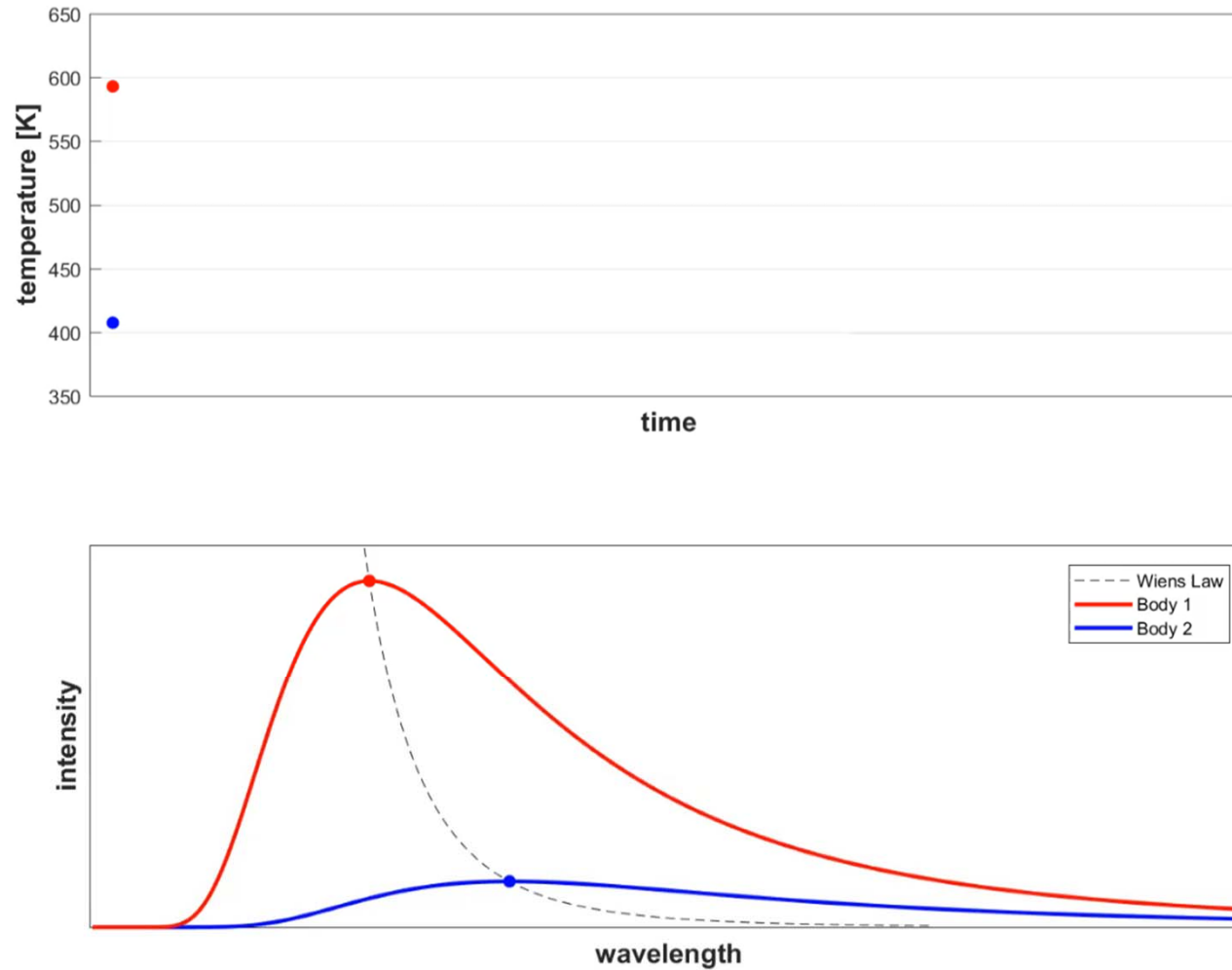
## Frequently asked question:

When  $\alpha(\lambda) = \varepsilon(\lambda)$  is valid, are absorbed and emitted heat flux identical?

## Example



# Thermal equilibrium



## Explanation for the example

### Explanation:

At a fixed wavelength  $\lambda$  the **red black body** emits a heat flux, which is marked with ① on the ordinate.

The **blue black body** absorbs **all incoming** radiation, i.e. exactly this heat flux.

At this wavelength, however, the **blue black body** can emit with  $T_{\text{blue}}$  at most the heat flux ② belonging to the Planck curve marked **blue**.

As a result of the difference ① – ②,  $T_{\text{blue}}$  increases with time.

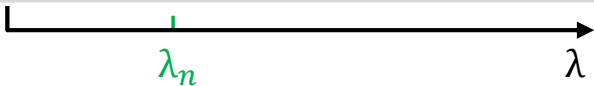
The **red body** receives the heat flux ② from the **blue body**, but emits ①.

As a result of the difference ② – ①,  $T_{\text{red}}$  decreases over time.

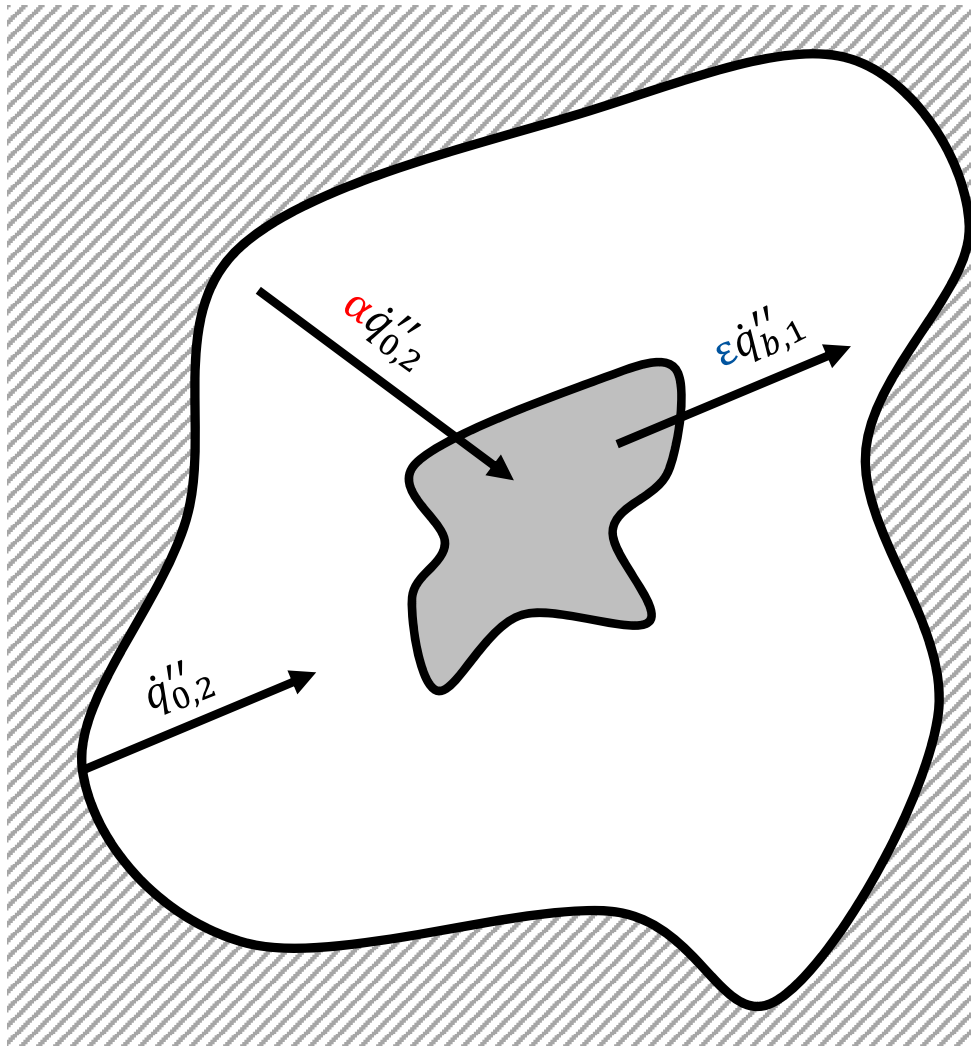
### Final answer:

The absorptivity  $\alpha(\lambda)$  and emissivity  $\varepsilon(\lambda)$  indicate proportions that do not necessarily refer to the same heat flux.

The heat fluxes can therefore differ from each other.







## Radiation:

### Question:

When  $\alpha(\lambda) = \epsilon(\lambda)$  is valid,  
can also be said that  $\alpha = \epsilon$  is valid?

### Verification:

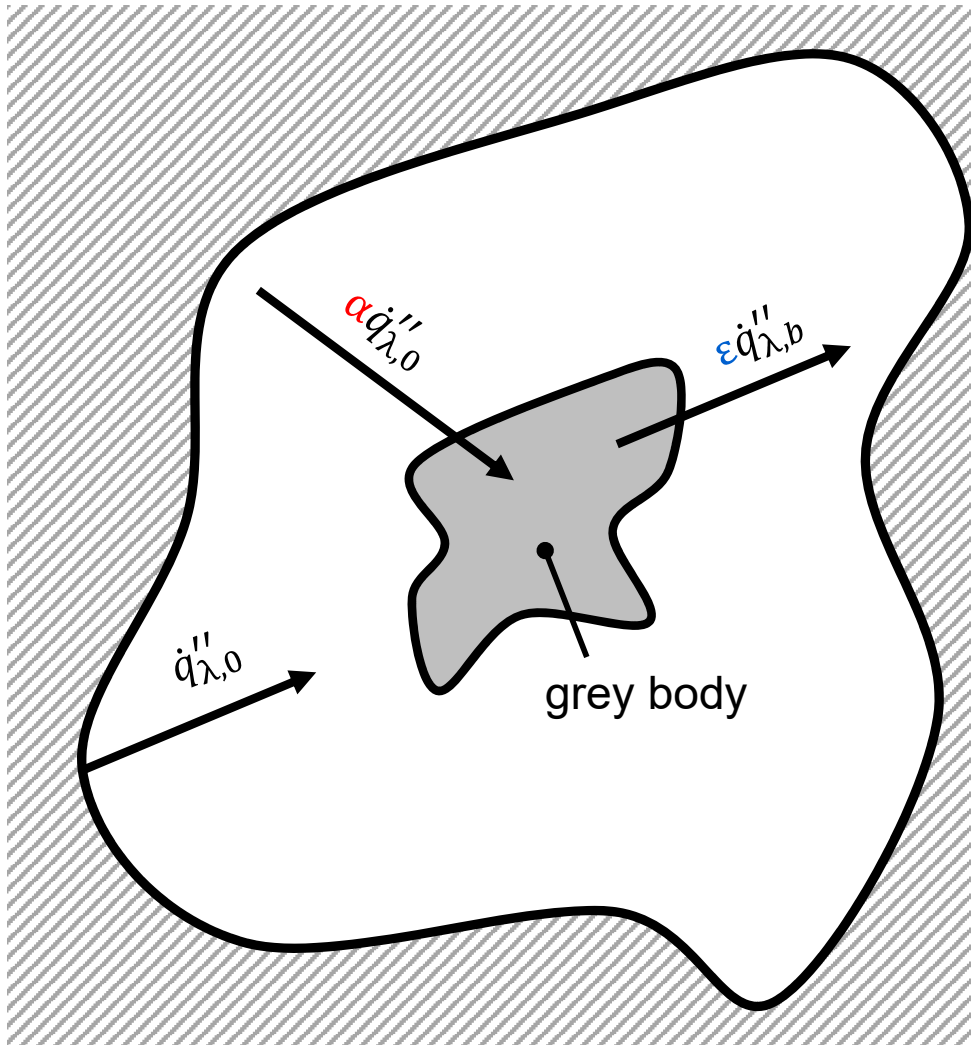
alpha average: 
$$\alpha = \frac{\dot{q}_{\alpha}''}{\dot{q}_0''} = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} \alpha(\lambda) \dot{q}_{\lambda,0}'' d\lambda}{\int_0^{\infty} \dot{q}_{\lambda,0}'' d\lambda}$$

epsilon average: 
$$\epsilon = \frac{\dot{q}_{\epsilon}''}{\dot{q}_b''} = \frac{\int_0^{\infty} \epsilon(\lambda) \dot{q}_{\lambda,b}'' d\lambda}{\int_0^{\infty} \dot{q}_{\lambda,b}'' d\lambda}$$

In which case is following equation valid?

$$\alpha = \epsilon$$

## Kirchhoff's law – special cases



### Body is grey (case 1):

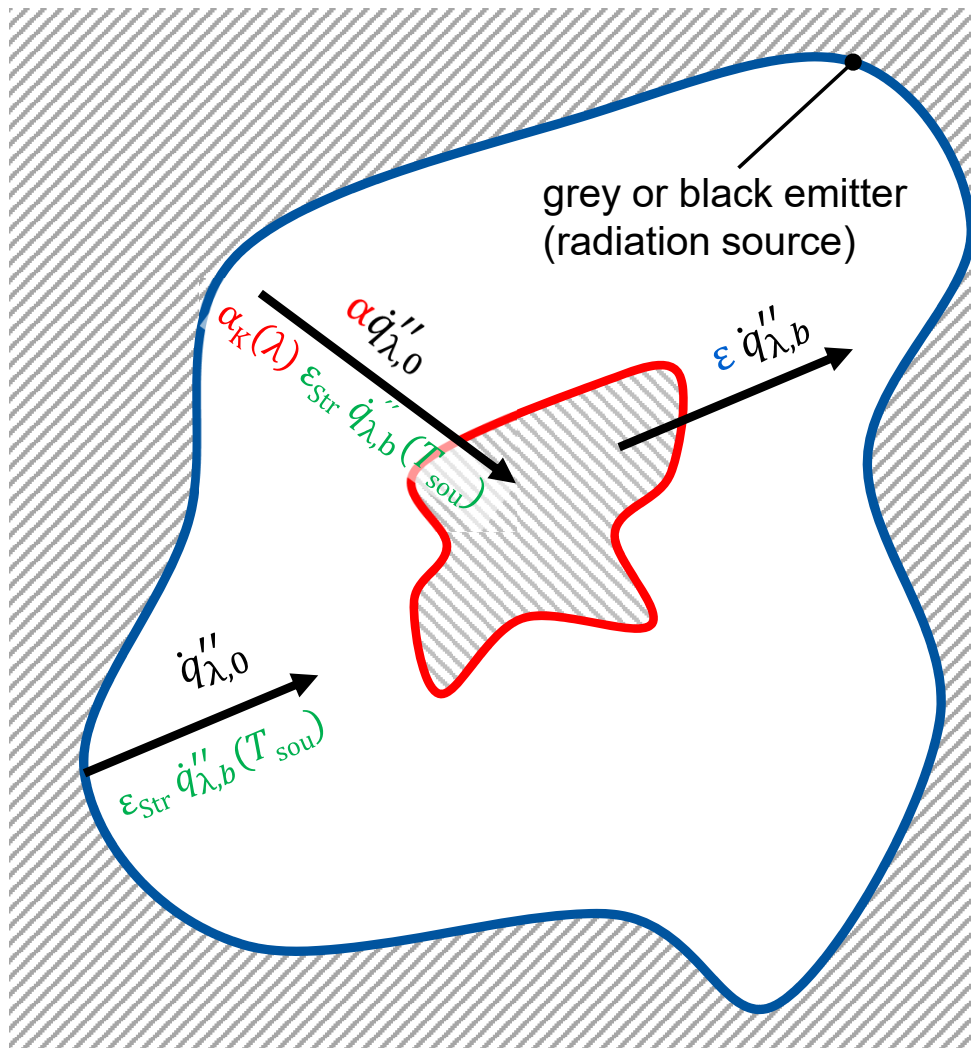
Grey Body:  $\alpha, \epsilon \neq f(\lambda)$

$$\frac{\int_0^\infty \alpha(\lambda) \dot{q}''_{\lambda,0} d\lambda}{\int_0^\infty \dot{q}''_{\lambda,0} d\lambda} = \frac{\int_0^\infty \epsilon(\lambda) \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b} d\lambda}{\int_0^\infty \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b} d\lambda}$$

$$\alpha \frac{\int_0^\infty \dot{q}''_{\lambda,0} d\lambda}{\int_0^\infty \dot{q}''_{\lambda,0} d\lambda} = \epsilon \frac{\int_0^\infty \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b} d\lambda}{\int_0^\infty \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b} d\lambda}$$

$$\alpha = \epsilon$$

# Kirchhoff's law – special cases



Emitter is grey or black and temperatures are equal (case 2):

no rad. exchange

$$T_{\text{sou}} = T_K$$

$$\epsilon_{\text{sou}} \neq f(\lambda)$$

$$\alpha(\lambda) = \epsilon(\lambda)$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha = \epsilon$$

$$\frac{\int_0^\infty \alpha_K(\lambda) \dot{q}''_{\lambda,\text{sou}} d\lambda}{\int_0^\infty \dot{q}''_{\lambda,\text{sou}} d\lambda} = \frac{\int_0^\infty \epsilon_K(\lambda) \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}(T_K) d\lambda}{\int_0^\infty \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}(T_K) d\lambda}$$

$$\frac{\int_0^\infty \alpha_K(\lambda) \cancel{\epsilon_{\text{sou}}} \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}(T_{\text{sou}}) d\lambda}{\int_0^\infty \cancel{\epsilon_{\text{sou}}} \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}(T_{\text{sou}}) d\lambda} = \frac{\int_0^\infty \epsilon_K(\lambda) \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}(T_K) d\lambda}{\int_0^\infty \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}(T_K) d\lambda}$$

$$\dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}(T_{\text{sou}}) = \dot{q}''_{\lambda,b}(T_K)$$

$$\alpha = \epsilon$$

## Comprehension questions

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**In which case can it be assumed that both  $\alpha(\lambda) = \varepsilon(\lambda)$  and  $\alpha = \varepsilon$  are valid?**

**To which part of radiation does the emissivity refer and to which part the Absorptivity?**

**When  $\alpha(\lambda) = \varepsilon(\lambda)$  is valid, is then the absorbed and emitted heat flux identical?**