Heat Transfer: Radiation

View factor calculation rules

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Learning goals

Summation Rule:

► Sum of view factors for one object is 1!

$$\sum_{i} \phi_{ij} = 1$$

Reciprocal Rule:

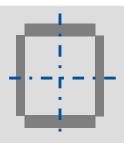
▶ Determine view factors from looking at the opposite surface or object

$$\phi_{ij}$$
 ϕ_{ji}

Other Rules for View Factors:

- Smart usage of symmetry conditions
- Identify meaningful auxiliary planes

Radiation: View Factors



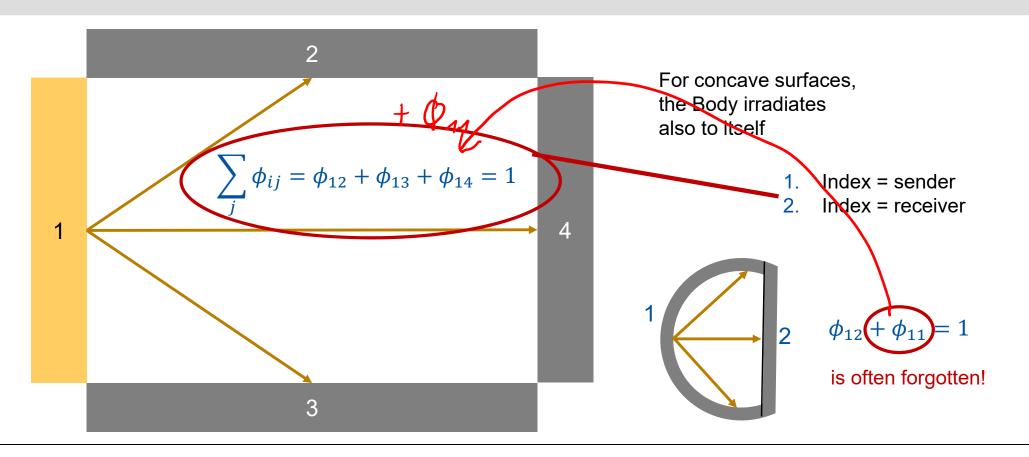




Summation Rule:

$$\sum_{j} \phi_{ij} = 1$$

The radiation which goes out from a surface i, "does not get lost" and therefore must itself be completely distributed onto the surrounding surfaces j = 1,2,3,...



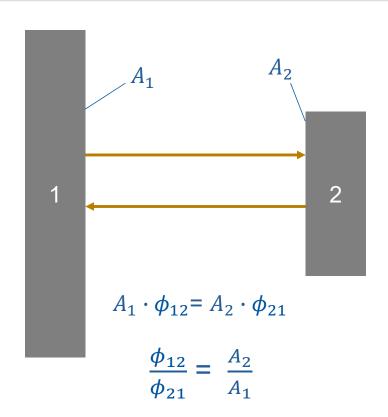


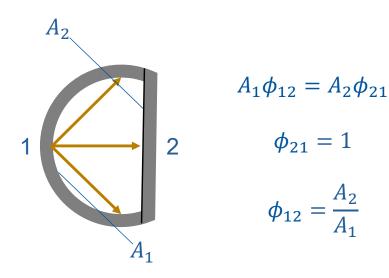


Reciprocal Rule:

 $A_1\phi_{12} = A_2\phi_{21}$

► The product of area times view factor must be the same for two considered surfaces





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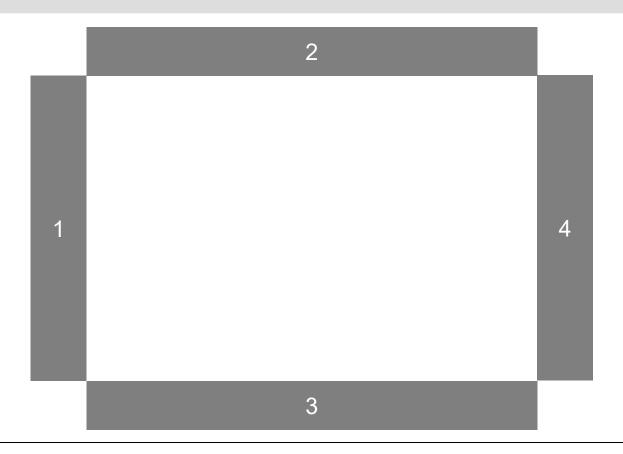
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Symmetry:

If surface areas are of same size and symmetrically arranged, then the View Factors from the outgoing surface to the individual target surfaces are also identical



$$\phi_{12} = \phi_{13} \\ = \phi_{42} = \phi_{43}$$

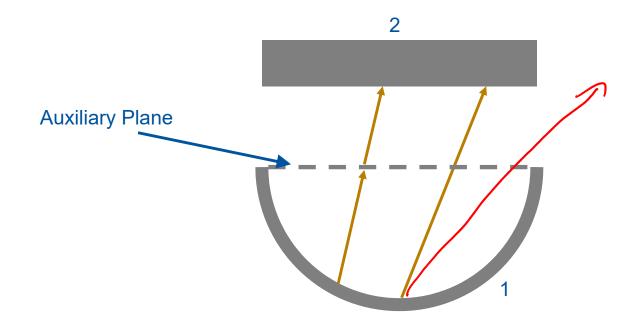
$$\phi_{34} = \phi_{31} \\ = \phi_{24} = \phi_{21}$$





Auxiliary planes:

➤ Smart selection of auxiliary planes helps in dividing a more complicated geometry into simplified geometries

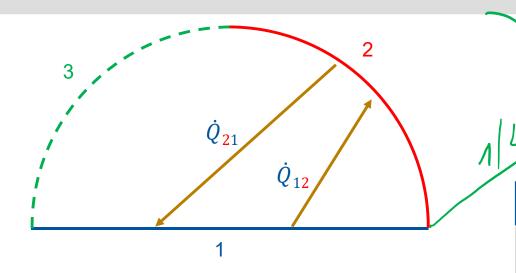






Example 1:

▶ How much radiation from Area 1 reaches Area 2 and vice versa?



Heat flux 1 to 2:

$$\dot{\mathbf{Q}}_{1\to\mathbf{2}} = \phi_{1\mathbf{2}} \, \dot{\mathbf{q}}_1^{"} \, \mathbf{A}_1$$

Heat flux 2 to 1:

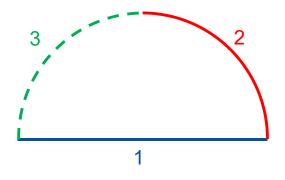
$$\dot{Q}_{2\to 1} = \phi_{21} \, \dot{q}_2^{"} \, A_2$$





Example 1:

► How much Radiation from Area 1 reaches Area 2 and vice versa?



Summation Rule Area 1:

$$\phi_{11} + \phi_{12} + \phi_{13} = 1 \qquad \phi_{11} = 0 \qquad \phi_{12} + \phi_{13} = 1$$

Symmetry Rule Area 1:

$$\phi_{1\mathbf{2}} = \phi_{1\mathbf{3}} \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \qquad \phi_{1\mathbf{2}} = \frac{1}{2}$$

Reciprocal Rule:

$$\phi_{12} A_1 = \phi_{21} A_2$$

$$\phi_{21} = \phi_{12} \frac{A_1}{A_2} = \frac{1}{2} \frac{D}{D \frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{2}{\pi}$$

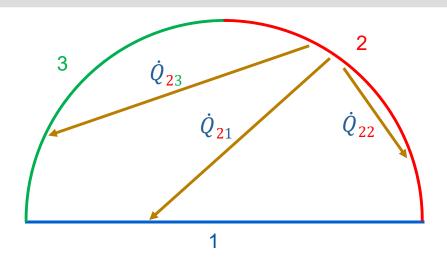




Example 2:

► How much Radiation from Area 2 reaches the Areas 1, 2 and 3?

surface brightness



Heat flux 2 to 1:

$$\dot{Q}_{2\to 1} = \phi_{21} \dot{q}_2'' A_2$$

Heat flux 2 to 2:

$$\dot{Q}_{2\to 2} = \phi_{22} \dot{q}_2'' A_2$$

Heat flux 2 to 3:

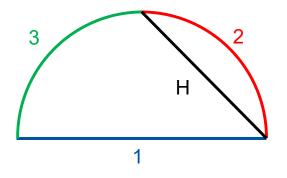
$$\dot{Q}_{2\to 3} = \phi_{23} \, \dot{q}_2'' \, A_2$$





Example 2:

How much radiation from Area 2 reaches the Areas 1, 2 and 3?



Summation Rule Area 2:

$$\phi_{21} + \phi_{22} + \phi_{23} = 1$$
 Aux. Plane H

Summation Rule Area H:

$$\phi_{\text{H2}} + \phi_{\text{HH}} = 1 \qquad \phi_{\text{HH}} = 0 \\ \phi_{\text{H2}} = 1$$

Reciprocal Rule:

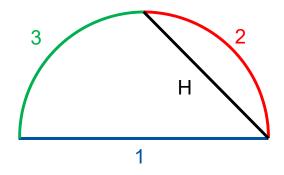
$$\phi_{2H} A_2 = \phi_{H2} A_H$$
 $\phi_{H2} = \frac{1}{A_2} = \frac{A_H}{A_2} = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{D\frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{\sqrt{8}}{\pi}$





Example 2:

▶ How much Radiation from Area 2 reaches the Areas 1, 2 and 3?



Summation rule Area 2 with auxiliary plane:

$$\phi_{2H} + \phi_{22} = 1$$
 $\phi_{2H} = 1 - \frac{\sqrt{8}}{\pi}$

From first Summation rule Area 2:

$$\phi_{23} = 1 - \phi_{22} - \phi_{21} \quad \xrightarrow{\phi_{21} \text{ from Ex. 1}} \quad \phi_{23} = 1 + \frac{\sqrt{8}}{\pi} - 1 - \frac{2}{\pi} = \frac{2(\sqrt{2} - 1)}{\pi}$$

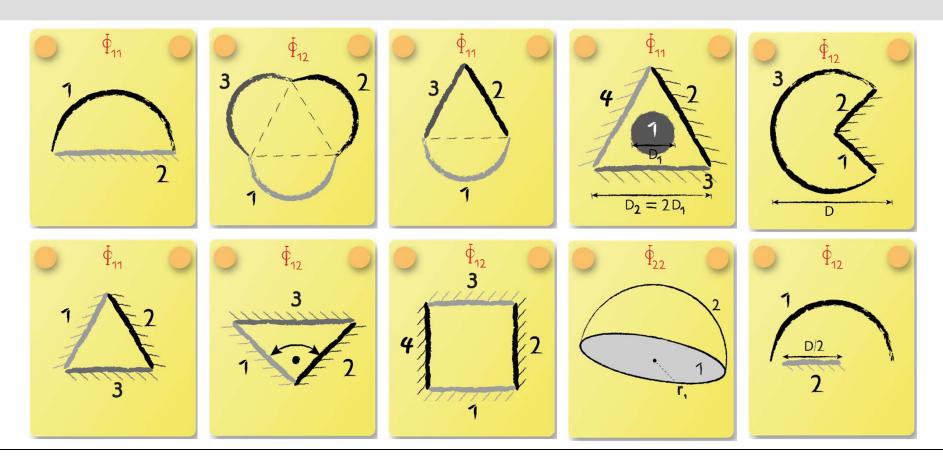




View Factors exercises from HeatQuiz App

Example exercises:

▶ Which values have the respective view factors $\phi_{i,j}$?







Comprehension questions

Which rules are used for view factor determination?

For which body shapes must $\phi_{i,i}$ be considered?





