

## 5.3 heat transfer

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- conduction
  - - take place in an object or between two objects in contact
    - heat can be transferred by conduction through an object from the hot end to the cold end
  - conductor of heat
    - good
      - metals
    - bad
      - non-metals
      - water
      - air
  - ranking list
    - 1. copper
    - 2. aluminium
    - 3. iron
    - 4. stainless steel
    - 5. glass
    - 6. glass
    - 7. wood
    - 8. plastic
- applications of conductors & insulators of heat
  - good conductors
    - example
      - cooking utensils
        - made iron or copper
        - reduce cooking time
      - heat sink
        - made of metal
        - conduct heat away
        - prevent the computer from overheating

- bad conductors
  - example
    - handles of cooking utensils
      - made of poor conductors of heat

- convection

- - the transfer of heat from one place to another by movement of liquid or gas
  - can't take place in solids
  - the movement of water (or gas) forms a convection current of water (or gas)
- application and effects
  - electrical appliances
    - heating element of electric kettle
      - be placed at the bottom
        - heat can be transferred by a convection current
    - air conditioner installed near the ceiling
      - cold air blown out & sink while hot air
        - replace it
          - a convection current is formed
          - room is cooled
  - nature
    - during the day
      - land absorbs heat from Sun faster than sea water
      - land becomes hotter than sea
        - hot water from land & cold air blows in from sea
          - replace the hot air that has risen
            - results in sea breezes
    - night
      - land cools down faster than sea & cool air blows from land to sea
        - form land breezes

- radiation

- heat transfer
  - space between Sun and Earth
    - vacuum

- heat can't be transferred through by conduction & convection
      - both processes require medium → transfer heat
    - radiation can take place in vacuum
  - heat is transferred by radiation
- absorption and emission
  - absorption
    - temperature increases when absorb radiation
      - example
        - stand under Sun, body absorb radiation from Sun → body temperature increase
    - good absorbers of radiation
      - **dull black** surfaces
    - poor absorbers of radiation
      - **shiny silver** surfaces
  - emitter
    - good emitters
      - **dull black** surfaces
    - bad emitters
      - **shiny silver** surfaces
  - application
    - heat radiator behind a refrigerator is painted black
      - loses heat easily
    - cooking utensils with shiny surfaces
      - can help keep water/ food hot for a longer period