

Problem Statement: With the given data equation, I want to find which material is able to remain hot for the longest time in the absence of a heat source

Diagram: see file HW.14p1_Task2_PPM_gamageld.xlsx

Assumptions:

- Device that measured temp. of material is accurate.
- Best fit line on Excel is accurate.
- Material don't have any impurities

Solution:

Tmat 3: Coordinates (24, 98) & (60, 10)

$$m = \frac{\ln|10| - \ln|98|}{60 - 24} = -0.6340$$

$$\ln|b| = \ln|10| - (-0.6340)(60)$$

$$b = 448.803$$

$$y = 448.803e^{-0.6340x}$$

Solution Continued:

Tmat 2: Coordinates (15, 90) & (50, 5.0)

$$m = \frac{\ln|5.0| - \ln|90|}{50 - 15} = -0.8258$$

$$\ln|b| = \ln|5| - (-0.8258)(50)$$

$$b = 310.579$$

$$y = 310.579e^{-0.8258x}$$

Tmat 1: Coordinates (14, 71) & (40, 4.2)

$$m = \frac{\ln|4.2| - \ln|71|}{40 - 14} = -0.10875$$

$$\ln|b| = \ln|4.2| - (-0.10875)(40)$$

$$b = 325.41$$

$$y = 325.41e^{-0.10875x}$$

Verification: Look at excel file

Conclusion:

From the equations I found & data I graphed, I can determine that material 3 is the best for keeping an object hot as long as possible without a heat source. This is because on the graph, material 3 has the least change in temp as compared to the other materials. Also, for the equations I found, material 3 has the lowest magnitude for the slope indicating a slower rate of change.