

### LESSON 3

#### **One-Dimensional, Steady State Heat Conduction without Heat Generation:**

##### **i) Plane Wall or Slab of Uniform Conductivity without Heat Generation:**

Consider steady state heat conduction through a plane wall of thickness 'L' and area 'A' having uniform conductivity 'k' as shown in Figure 1. Temperature on the left hand side of the wall is  $T_1$  and on the right hand side it is  $T_2$ . Heat is flowing from left hand side to the right hand side as  $T_1$  is greater than  $T_2$ . The general conduction equation which governs the conduction heat transfer is written as

$$\left[ \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( k_x \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial y} \left( k_y \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} \right) + \frac{\partial}{\partial z} \left( k_z \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) + q_g \right] = \rho C \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} \quad (1)$$

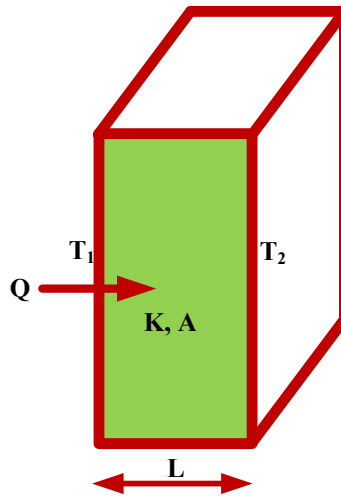


Figure 1

Since it is a case of one-dimensional, steady heat conduction through a wall of uniform conductivity without heat generation, therefore,  $\frac{dT}{dt} = 0$ ,  $\frac{dT}{dy} = \frac{dT}{dz} = 0$  and  $q_g = 0$

Therefore, equation (1) reduces to

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dx^2} = 0 \quad (2)$$

Equation (2) is used to determine the temperature distribution and heat transfer rate through the wall. Integrating equation (2) twice with respect to x, it can be written as

$$T = C_1 x + C_2 \quad (3)$$

Where,  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are constants of integration.

Using the following boundary conditions:

$$\text{i. At } x = 0, T = T_1$$

$$\text{Equation (3) is written as } C_2 = T_1 \quad (4)$$

$$\text{ii. At } x = L, T = T_2$$

Equation (3) can be written as  $T_2 = C_1 L + C_2$

$$\text{Or } T_2 = C_1 L + T_1$$

$$C_1 = (T_2 - T_1)/L \quad (5)$$

Substituting the values of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  in equation (3)

$$T = \frac{T_2 - T_1}{L} x + T_1$$

$$\text{Or } T = T_1 - \frac{T_1 - T_2}{L} x \quad (6)$$

Equation (6) represents temperature distribution in the wall. It means temperature at any point along the thickness of the wall can be obtained if values of temperatures  $T_1$ ,  $T_2$ , thickness  $L$  and distance of the point from either of the faces of the wall are known.

Rate of heat transfer can be determined by using Fourier's law and can be expressed as

$$Q = -kA \frac{dT}{dx} \quad (7)$$

Differentiating equation (6) with respect to  $x$  to obtain the expression for temperature gradient  $\frac{dT}{dx}$

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

$$\frac{dT}{dx} = - \frac{T_1 - T_2}{L} x$$

$$\frac{dT}{dx} = \frac{T_2 - T_1}{L}$$

Substituting the value of  $\frac{dT}{dx}$  from above equation in equation (7), we get

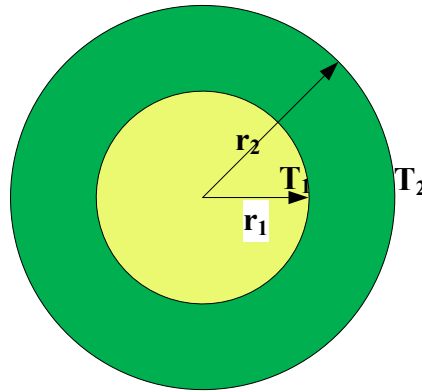
$$Q = -kA \left( \frac{T_2 - T_1}{L} \right) \quad (8)$$

Equation (8) represents the heat transfer rate through the wall.

**ii) Cylinder of Uniform Conductivity without Heat Generation:**

Consider steady state heat conduction through a cylinder having  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  as inner and outer radii respectively and length 'L' as shown in Figure 2. Temperature of the inner and outer surfaces is  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  respectively. Heat is flowing from inner to outer surface as  $T_1$  is greater than  $T_2$ . The general conduction equation which governs the conduction heat transfer is written as

$$\left[ \frac{1}{r^2} \left( \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial \phi^2} \right) + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} + \frac{q_g}{k} \right] = \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dt \quad (9)$$



**Figure 2**

Since it is a case of one-dimensional, steady heat conduction through a wall of uniform

conductivity without heat generation, therefore,  $\frac{dT}{dt} = 0$ ,  $\frac{dT}{d\phi} = \frac{dT}{dz} = 0$  and  $q_g = 0$

Therefore, equation (9) reduces to

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dr^2} + \frac{1}{r} \frac{dT}{dr} = 0$$

$$r \frac{d^2 T}{dr^2} + \frac{dT}{dr} = 0$$

Or 
$$\frac{d}{dr} \left( r \frac{dT}{dr} \right) = 0 \quad (10)$$

Equation (10) is used to determine the temperature distribution and heat transfer rate through the cylinder. Integrating equation (10) twice with respect to  $r$ , it can be written as

$$r \frac{dT}{dr} = C_1 \text{ or } \frac{dT}{dr} = \frac{C_1}{r} \quad (11)$$

and 
$$T = C_1 \log_e r + C_2 \quad (12)$$

Using the following boundary conditions:

i. At  $r = r_1$ ,  $T = T_1$

Equation (12) is written as 
$$T_1 = C_1 \log_e r_1 + C_2 \quad (13)$$

ii. At  $r = r_2$ ,  $T = T_2$

Equation (12) can be written as

$$T_2 = C_1 \log_e r_2 + C_2 \quad (14)$$

Subtracting equation (14) from equation (13), we get

$$T_1 - T_2 = C_1 \log_e r_1 - C_1 \log_e r_2$$

$$T_1 - T_2 = C_1 \log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}$$

$$C_1 = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}} \quad (15)$$

Substituting the values of  $C_1$  from equation (15) in equation (13)

$$T_1 = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}} \log_e r_1 + C_2 \quad (16)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
C_2 &= T_1 - \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}} \log_e r_1 \\
&= \frac{T_1 \log_e r_1 - T_1 \log_e r_2 - T_1 \log_e r_1 + T_2 \log_e r_1}{\log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}} \\
&= \frac{T_2 \log_e r_1 - T_1 \log_e r_2}{\log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}}
\end{aligned}$$

$$C_2 = \frac{T_1 \log_e r_2 - T_2 \log_e r_1}{\log_e \frac{r_2}{r_1}} \quad (17)$$

Substituting the values of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  in equation (12), we get

$$T = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}} \log_e r + \frac{T_1 \log_e r_2 - T_2 \log_e r_1}{\log_e \frac{r_2}{r_1}}$$

$$T = \frac{1}{\log_e \frac{r_2}{r_1}} \left[ T_1 \log_e r_2 - T_2 \log_e r_1 - (T_1 - T_2) \log_e r \right]$$

$$T = \frac{1}{\log_e \frac{r_2}{r_1}} \left[ T_1 \log_e \frac{r_2}{r} - T_2 \log_e \frac{r}{r_1} \right] \quad (18)$$

Equation (18) represents temperature distribution in the cylinder. Rate of heat transfer can be determined by using Fourier's law and can be expressed as

$$Q = \left[ -kA \frac{dT}{dr} \right]_{r=r_1} \quad (19)$$

$$Q = -k \times 2\pi r_1 \times L_1 \left( \frac{dT}{dr} \right)_{r=r_1} \quad (20)$$

From equation (11) we can write  $\frac{dT}{dr} = \frac{C_1}{r}$

Substituting the value of  $C_1$  from equation (15), we can write

$$\frac{dT}{dr} = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}} \times \frac{1}{r}$$

At  $r = r_1$ ,

$$\frac{dT}{dr} = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}} \times \frac{1}{r_1} \quad (21)$$

Substituting the value of  $\frac{dT}{dr}$  from equation (21) in equation (20), we get

$$Q = -k \times 2\pi r_1 \times L_1 \left( \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}} \times \frac{1}{r_1} \right)$$

$$Q = -k \times 2\pi \times L_1 \left( \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\log_e \frac{r_1}{r_2}} \right)$$

$$Q = \frac{2\pi k \times L_1 (T_1 - T_2)}{\log_e \frac{r_2}{r_1}} \quad (22)$$

Equation (22) represents the heat transfer rate through the cylinder.

### **iii) Sphere of Uniform Conductivity without Heat Generation:**

Consider steady state heat conduction through a hollow sphere having  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  as inner and outer radii respectively. Temperature of the inner and outer surfaces is  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  respectively. Heat is flowing from inner to outer surface as  $T_1$  is greater than  $T_2$ . The general conduction equation which governs the conduction heat transfer is written as

$$\left[ \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial r^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{\partial T}{\partial r} + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin^2 \theta} \left( \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial \phi^2} \right) + \frac{1}{r^2 \sin \theta} \frac{\partial}{\partial \theta} \left( \sin \theta \frac{\partial T}{\partial \theta} \right) + \frac{q_g}{k} \right] = \frac{1}{\alpha} \frac{\partial T}{\partial t} dt \quad (22)$$

Since it is a case of one-dimensional, steady heat conduction through a sphere without heat generation, therefore,  $\frac{dT}{dt} = 0$ ,  $\frac{dT}{d\phi} = \frac{dT}{d\theta} = 0$  and  $q_g = 0$

Therefore, equation (22) reduces to

$$\frac{d^2 T}{dr^2} + \frac{2}{r} \frac{dT}{dr} = 0 \quad (23)$$

Multiplying both sides of equation (23) by  $r^2$ , we get

$$r^2 \frac{d^2 T}{dr^2} + 2r \frac{dT}{dr} = 0$$

Or 
$$\frac{d}{dr} \left( r^2 \frac{dT}{dr} \right) = 0 \quad (24)$$

Equation (24) is used to determine the temperature distribution and heat transfer rate through the wall. Integrating equation (23) twice with respect to  $r$ , it can be written as

$$r^2 \frac{dT}{dr} = c_1 \text{ or } \frac{dT}{dr} = \frac{c_1}{r^2} \quad (25)$$

and 
$$T = -\frac{C_1}{r} + C_2 \quad (26)$$

Using the following boundary conditions:

i. At  $r = r_1$ ,  $T = T_1$

Equation (26) is written as

$$T_1 = -\frac{C_1}{r_1} + C_2 \quad (27)$$

ii. At  $r = r_2$ ,  $T = T_2$

Equation (26) can be written as

$$T_2 = -\frac{C_1}{r_2} + C_2 \quad (28)$$

Subtracting equation (28) from equation (27), we get

$$T_1 - T_2 = C_1 \left( \frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1} \right)$$

$$C_1 = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\left( \frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1} \right)} \quad (29)$$

Substituting the values of  $C_1$  from equation (29) in equation (27)

$$C_2 = T_1 + \frac{1}{r_1} \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\left( \frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1} \right)} \quad (30)$$

Substituting the values of  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  from equations (29) and (30) in equation (26)

$$T = -\frac{1}{r} \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\left( \frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1} \right)} + T_1 + \frac{1}{r_1} \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\left( \frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1} \right)}$$

$$T = T_1 - \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\left( \frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1} \right)} \left( \frac{1}{r} - \frac{1}{r_1} \right) \quad (31)$$

Equation (31) represents temperature distribution in a sphere. Rate of heat transfer can be determined by using Fourier's law and can be expressed as

$$Q = \left[ -kA \frac{dT}{dr} \right]_{r=r_1} \quad (32)$$

$$Q = -k \times 4\pi r^2 \left( \frac{dT}{dr} \right)_{r=r_1} \quad (33)$$

From equation (25) we can write  $\frac{dT}{dr} = \frac{c_1}{r^2}$

Substituting the value of  $C_1$  from equation (29), we can write



$$\frac{dT}{dr} = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\left(\frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1}\right)} \times \frac{1}{r^2}$$

At  $r = r_1$

$$\frac{dT}{dr} = \frac{T_1 - T_2}{\left(\frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1}\right)} \times \frac{1}{r_1^2} \quad (34)$$

Substituting the value of  $\frac{dT}{dr}$  from equation (34) from equation (33), we get

$$Q = -k \times 4\pi r^2 \times \frac{T_1 - T_2}{r^2} \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{r_2} - \frac{1}{r_1}\right)}$$

$$Q = \frac{4\pi r_1 r_2 k (T_1 - T_2)}{(r_2 - r_1)} \quad (35)$$

Equation (35) represents the heat transfer rate through a sphere.

### **Heat Flow through Composite Geometries:**

#### **A) Composite Slab or Wall:**

Consider a composite slab made of three different materials having conductivity  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  and  $k_3$ , length  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$  and  $L_3$  as shown in Figure 3. One side of the wall is exposed to a hot fluid having temperature  $T_f$  and on the other side is atmospheric air at temperature  $T_a$ . Convective heat transfer coefficient between the hot fluid and inside surface of wall is  $h_i$  (inside convective heat transfer coefficient) and  $h_o$  is the convective heat transfer coefficient between atmospheric air and outside surface of the wall (outside convective heat transfer coefficient). Temperatures at inner and outer surfaces of the composite wall are  $T_1$  and  $T_4$  whereas at the interface of the constituent materials of the slab are  $T_2$  and  $T_3$  respectively.

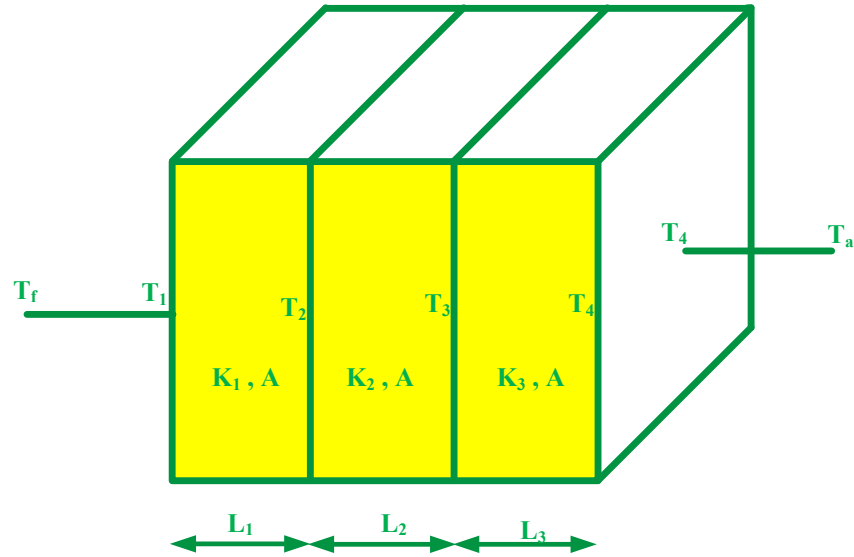


Figure 3

Heat is transferred from hot fluid to atmospheric air and involves following steps:

- i) Heat transfer from hot fluid to inside surface of the composite wall by convection

$$Q = h_i A (T_f - T_1)$$

$$\frac{Q}{h_i A} = (T_f - T_1) \quad (36)$$

- ii) Heat transfer from inside surface to first interface by conduction

$$Q = \frac{k_1 A (T_1 - T_2)}{L_1}$$

$$\frac{Q}{\frac{k_1 A}{L_1}} = (T_1 - T_2) \quad (37)$$

- iii) Heat transfer from first interface to second interface by conduction

$$Q = \frac{k_2 A (T_2 - T_3)}{L_2}$$

$$\frac{Q}{\frac{k_2 A}{L_2}} = (T_2 - T_3) \quad (38)$$

- iv) Heat transfer from second interface to outer surface of the composite wall by conduction

$$Q = \frac{k_3 A (T_3 - T_4)}{L_3}$$

$$\frac{Q}{\frac{k_3 A}{L_3}} = (T_3 - T_4) \quad (39)$$

v) Heat transfer from outer surface of composite wall to atmospheric air by convection

$$Q = h_o A (T_4 - T_a)$$

$$\frac{Q}{h_o A} = (T_4 - T_a) \quad (40)$$

Adding equations (36), (37), (38) and (40), we get

$$Q \left( \frac{1}{h_i A} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_1 A}{L_1}} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_2 A}{L_2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_3 A}{L_3}} + \frac{1}{h_o A} \right) = (T_f - T_1 + T_1 - T_2 + T_2 - T_3 + T_3 - T_4 + T_4 - T_a)$$

or

$$Q \left( \frac{1}{h_i A} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_1 A}{L_1}} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_2 A}{L_2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_3 A}{L_3}} + \frac{1}{h_o A} \right) = (T_f - T_a)$$

or

$$Q = \frac{(T_f - T_a)}{\frac{1}{h_i A} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_1 A}{L_1}} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_2 A}{L_2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_3 A}{L_3}} + \frac{1}{h_o A}} \quad (41)$$

If composite slab is made of 'n' number of materials, then equation (41) reduces to

$$Q = \frac{(T_f - T_a)}{\frac{1}{A} \left( \frac{1}{h_i} + \frac{1}{h_o} + \sum_{n=1}^{n=n} \left( \frac{L_n}{k_n} \right) \right)} \quad (42)$$

If inside and outside convective heat transfer coefficients are not to be considered, then equation (42) is expressed as

$$Q = \frac{(T_f - T_a)}{\frac{1}{A} \left( \sum_{n=1}^{n=n} \left( \frac{L_n}{k_n} \right) \right)} \quad (43)$$

## B) Composite Cylinder:

Consider a composite cylinder consisting of inner and outer cylinders of radii  $r_1$ ,  $r_2$  and thermal conductivity  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  respectively as shown in Figure 4. Length of the composite cylinder is  $L$ . Hot fluid at temperature  $T_f$  is flowing inside the composite cylinder. Temperature at the inner surface of the composite cylinder exposed to hot fluid is  $T_1$  and outer surface of the composite cylinder is at temperature  $T_3$  and is exposed to atmospheric air at temperature  $T_a$ . The interface temperature of the composite cylinder is  $T_2$ . Convective heat transfer coefficient between the hot fluid and inside surface of composite cylinder is  $h_i$  (inside convective heat transfer coefficient) and  $h_o$  is the convective heat transfer coefficient between atmospheric air and outside surface of the composite cylinder (outside convective heat transfer coefficient). Heat is transferred from hot fluid to atmospheric air and involves following steps:

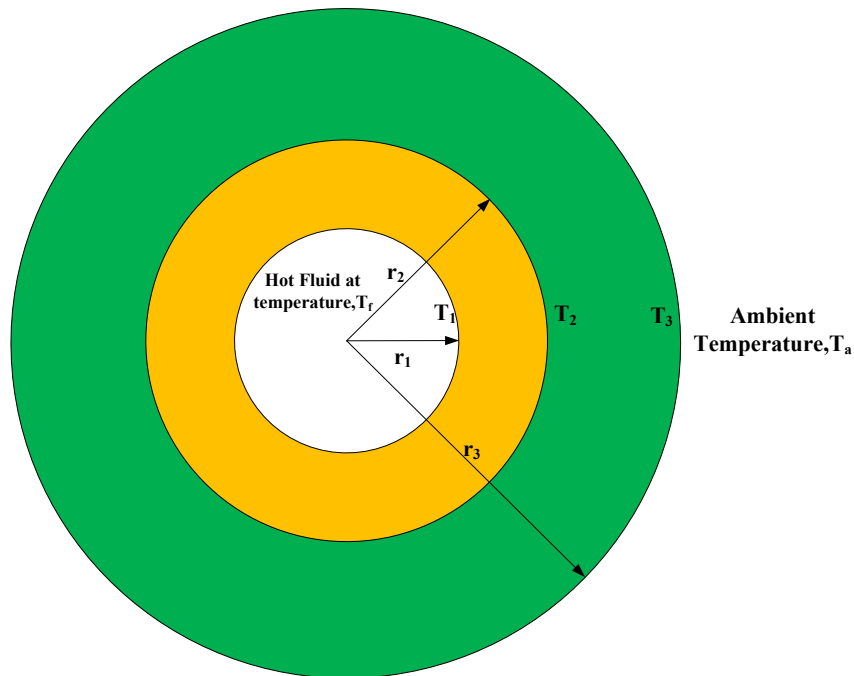


Figure 4

- i) **Heat transfer from hot fluid to inside surface of the composite cylinder by convection**

$$Q = h_i A (T_f - T_1)$$

$$Q = h_i 2\pi r_1 L (T_f - T_1)$$

$$\frac{Q}{h_i 2\pi r_1 L} = (T_f - T_1) \quad (44)$$

**ii) Heat transfer from inside surface to interface by conduction**

$$Q = \frac{k_1 2\pi L (T_1 - T_2)}{\log_e \frac{r_2}{r_1}}$$

$$\frac{Q}{\frac{k_1 2\pi L}{\log_e \frac{r_2}{r_1}}} = (T_1 - T_2) \quad (45)$$

**iii) Heat transfer from interface to outer surface of the composite cylinder by conduction**

$$Q = \frac{k_2 2\pi L (T_2 - T_3)}{\log_e \frac{r_3}{r_2}}$$

$$\frac{Q}{\frac{k_2 2\pi L}{\log_e \frac{r_3}{r_2}}} = (T_2 - T_3) \quad (46)$$

**iv) Heat transfer from outer surface of composite wall to atmospheric air by convection**

$$Q = h_o 2\pi r_3 L (T_4 - T_a)$$

$$\frac{Q}{h_o 2\pi r_3 L} = (T_4 - T_a) \quad (47)$$

Adding both sides of equations (44), (45), (46) and (47), we get

$$\frac{Q}{2\pi L} \left( \frac{1}{h_i r_1} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_1}{\log_e \frac{r_2}{r_1}}} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_2}{\log_e \frac{r_3}{r_2}}} + \frac{1}{h_o r_3} \right) = (T_f - T_1 + T_1 - T_2 + T_2 - T_3 + T_3 - T_a)$$

or

$$Q \left( \frac{1}{h_i r_1} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_1}{\text{Log}_e \frac{r_2}{r_1}}} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_2}{\text{Log}_e \frac{r_3}{r_2}}} + \frac{1}{h_o r_3} \right) = 2\pi L (T_f - T_a)$$

or

$$Q = \frac{2\pi L (T_f - T_a)}{\left( \frac{1}{h_i r_1} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_1}{\text{Log}_e \frac{r_2}{r_1}}} + \frac{1}{\frac{k_2}{\text{Log}_e \frac{r_3}{r_2}}} + \frac{1}{h_o r_3} \right)} \quad (48)$$

If the composite cylinder consists of 'n' cylinders, then equation (48) can be expressed as:

$$Q = \frac{2\pi L (T_f - T_a)}{\left( \frac{1}{h_i r_1} + \frac{1}{h_o r_{n+1}} + \sum_{n=1}^{n=n} \frac{1}{k_n} \text{Log}_e \left( \frac{r_{n+1}}{r_n} \right) \right)} \quad (49)$$

If inside and outside convective heat transfer coefficients are not to be considered, then equation (3.41) is expressed as

$$Q = \frac{2\pi L (T_f - T_a)}{\left( \sum_{n=1}^{n=n} \frac{1}{k_n} \text{Log}_e \left( \frac{r_{n+1}}{r_n} \right) \right)} \quad (50)$$

### C) Composite Sphere:

Consider a composite sphere consisting of inner and outer cylinders of radii  $r_1$ ,  $r_2$  and thermal conductivity  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  respectively. Hot fluid at temperature  $T_f$  is flowing inside the composite sphere. Temperature at the inner surface of the composite sphere exposed to hot fluid is  $T_1$  and outer surface of the composite cylinder is at temperature  $T_3$  and is exposed to atmospheric air at temperature  $T_a$ . The interface temperature of the composite cylinder is  $T_2$ . Convective heat transfer coefficient between the hot fluid and inside surface of composite sphere is  $h_i$  (inside convective heat transfer coefficient) and  $h_o$  is the

convective heat transfer coefficient between atmospheric air and outside surface of the composite sphere (outside convective heat transfer coefficient). Heat is transferred from hot fluid to atmospheric air and involves following steps:

- i) **Heat transfer from hot fluid to inside surface of the composite sphere by convection**

$$Q = h_i A (T_f - T_1)$$

$$Q = h_i 4\pi r_1^2 (T_f - T_1)$$

$$\frac{Q}{h_i 4\pi r_1^2} = (T_f - T_1) \quad (51)$$

- ii) **Heat transfer from inside surface to interface by conduction.**

$$Q = \frac{4\pi k_1 r_1 r_2 (T_1 - T_2)}{r_2 - r_1}$$

$$\frac{Q(r_2 - r_1)}{4\pi k_1 r_1 r_2} = (T_1 - T_2) \quad (52)$$

- iii) **Heat transfer from interface to outer surface of the composite sphere by conduction**

$$Q = \frac{4\pi k_2 r_2 r_3 (T_2 - T_3)}{r_3 - r_2}$$

$$\frac{Q(r_3 - r_2)}{4\pi k_2 r_2 r_3} = (T_2 - T_3) \quad (53)$$

- iv) **Heat transfer from outer surface of composite wall to atmospheric air by convection**

$$Q = h_o 4\pi r_3^2 (T_4 - T_a)$$

$$\frac{Q}{h_o 4\pi r_3^2} = (T_4 - T_a) \quad (54)$$

Adding both sides of equations (51), (52), (53) and (54), we get

$$\frac{Q}{4\pi} \left( \frac{1}{h_i r_1^2} + \frac{1}{\frac{(r_2 - r_1)}{k_1 r_1 r_2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{(r_3 - r_2)}{k_2 r_2 r_3}} + \frac{1}{h_o r_3^2} \right) = (T_f - T_1 + T_1 - T_2 + T_2 - T_3 + T_3 - T_a)$$

or

$$Q \left( \frac{1}{h_i r_1^2} + \frac{1}{\frac{(r_2 - r_1)}{k_1 r_1 r_2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{(r_3 - r_2)}{k_2 r_2 r_3}} + \frac{1}{h_o r_3^2} \right) = 4\pi (T_f - T_a)$$

or

$$Q = \frac{4\pi (T_f - T_a)}{\left( \frac{1}{h_i r_1^2} + \frac{1}{\frac{(r_2 - r_1)}{k_1 r_1 r_2}} + \frac{1}{\frac{(r_3 - r_2)}{k_2 r_2 r_3}} + \frac{1}{h_o r_3^2} \right)} \quad (54)$$

If the composite sphere consists of 'n' concentric spheres, then equation (54) can be expressed as:

$$Q = \frac{2\pi L (T_f - T_a)}{\left( \frac{1}{h_i r_1^2} + \frac{1}{h_o (r_{n+1})^2} + \sum_{n=1}^{n=n} \left( \frac{r_{(n+1)} - r_n}{k_n r_n r_{(n+1)}} \right) \right)} \quad (55)$$

If inside and outside convective heat transfer coefficients are not to be considered, then equation (55) is expressed as

$$Q = \frac{4\pi (T_1 - T_{n+1})}{\left( \sum_{n=1}^{n=n} \left( \frac{r_{(n+1)} - r_n}{k_n r_n r_{(n+1)}} \right) \right)}$$

### REVIEW QUESTIONS:

Q.1 If two surfaces of area A distance L apart, of a material having thermal conductivity k are at temperature T<sub>1</sub> and T<sub>2</sub>, then heat flow rate through it will be

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| a) $\frac{kA}{L} (T_1 - T_2)$ | b) $\frac{kL}{A} (T_1 - T_2)$ |
| c) $\frac{k}{AL} (T_1 - T_2)$ | d) $\frac{L}{kA} (T_1 - T_2)$ |
| e) $\frac{A}{LK} (T_1 - T_2)$ |                               |

Q.2 Two plane slabs of equal areas and conductivities in the ratio 1:2 are held together and temperature in between surface ends are t<sub>1</sub> and t<sub>2</sub>. If junction temperature in



between two surfaces is desired to be  $\frac{(T_1 + T_2)}{2}$ , then their thickness should be in the ratio of

- a) 1 : 2                                      b) 2 : 1  
 c) 1 : 1                                        d) 3 : 1  
 e) 1 : 3

Q.3 The heat flow rate through parallel walls of thickness  $L_1$ ,  $L_2$ ,  $L_3$  and having surface areas  $A_1$ ,  $A_2$  and  $A_3$ , thermal conductivities  $k_1$ ,  $k_2$  and  $k_3$ , respectively and first and last walls maintained at temperatures  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  will be

- a)  $\frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{\frac{L_1}{A_1 k_1} + \frac{L_2}{A_2 k_2} + \frac{L_3}{A_3 k_3}}$                                       b)  $\frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{\frac{k_1}{A_1 L_1} + \frac{k_2}{A_2 L_2} + \frac{k_3}{A_3 L_3}}$   
 c)  $\frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{\frac{k_1 A_1}{L_1} + \frac{k_2 A_2}{L_2} + \frac{k_3 A_3}{L_3}}$                                       d)  $\frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{\frac{L_1 A_1}{k_1} + \frac{L_2 A_2}{k_2} + \frac{L_3 A_3}{k_3}}$   
 e)  $\frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{\frac{A_1}{L_1 k_1} + \frac{A_2}{L_2 k_2} + \frac{A_3}{L_3 k_3}}$

Q.4 If the inner and outer walls of a hollow sphere having surface areas of  $A_1$  and  $A_2$ , and inner and outer radii  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  are maintained at temperatures  $T_1$  and  $T_2$ , then rate of heat flow will be

- a)  $k\sqrt{A_1 A_2} \frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{r_2 - r_1}$                                       b)  $\frac{k}{\sqrt{A_1 A_2}} \frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{r_1 - r_2}$   
 c)  $4\pi k \frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{\sqrt{A_1 A_2}}$                                       d)  $4\pi k r_1 r_2 \frac{(T_1 - T_2)}{\sqrt{A_1 A_2}}$   
 e) None of the above