# E- Course on Heat Transfer 3151909

# Practical Session EXPERIMENT No. 2



To Determine

1. The overall thermal resistance(R) for a composite wall and to compare with theoretical value.

2. Temperature distribution across the width of the composite wall.

3. Find thermal conductivity of different material.

#### Thermal Conductivity of Composite Wall Apparatus



- Composite Wall Plates
- M.S :- 25 cm x 12mm thick
- wood :- 25 cm x 10 mm thick
- Aluminum :- 25 cm x 10mm thick

T1	Wood plate outer temperature
T2	Aluminum plate outer temperature
Т3	MS plate outer Temperature
T4	Heater Surface Temperature
T5	Heater Surface Temperature
T6	MS plate outer Temperature
Τ7	Aluminum plate outer temperature
Т8	Wood plate outer temperature

### Specifications

- Test Plate: Aluminum ,MS, wood material
- Heater Nichrome strip wound on mica sheet
- Dimmer stat Ammeter0 2 amp
- Voltmeter 0 230V
- Enclosure size 580mm x 300mm x 300mm approximately with one side of Perspex sheet.
- Thermocouples Chromel Alumel (8 No)
- Temperature indicator 0 300 °C.

# <u>Theory</u> Heat Conduction Through Composite Wall



### Procedure

- Arrange the plates properly (symmetrically) on both side of heater plate.
- See that plate is symmetrically arranged on both sides of heater plate (arranged normally).
- Close the box by cover sheet to achieve the environmental conditions.
- Start the supply of heater, By varying the dimmer stat adjust the input power of heater.
- Take the readings of all thermocouples at an interval of 10 minutes until steady state is reached.
- Note down the steady state readings in the observation table

## **Observation Table**

Sr.no.	Heat input(w)		Thermocouple readings °c							
	V	l	T <sub>1</sub>	T <sub>2</sub>	T <sub>3</sub>	T <sub>4</sub>	$T_5$	T <sub>6</sub>	<b>T</b> <sub>7</sub>	T <sub>8</sub>
1										
2										
3										

# Calculations

• Mean Temperature Reading:-

 $T_{a} = (T_{4}+T_{5})/2 \ ^{\circ}C$  $T_{b} = (T_{3}+T_{6})/2 \ ^{\circ}C$  $T_{c} = (T_{2}+T_{7})/2 \ ^{\circ}C$  $T_{d} = (T_{1}+T_{8})/2 \ ^{\circ}C$ 

- Rate of heat supplied W=V x I Watts
- Now, Heat flux q = w / A watts/ m<sup>2</sup> Where, A=  $\pi/4 \ge d^2$

(where d= dia of plates=0.250m)

- Total thermal resistance of composite slab
- $R_{total} = (T_a T_d)/q m^2 k/w$
- Thermal conductivity of composite slab
- $K_{composite} = qxb / (T_a T_d) w/m^2k$
- Where b= total thickness of the composite slab=0.064m

## Sample Calculation

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1	111	1.05	51	57	60	70	71	62	59	53
2										
3										

#### Sample Calculation

Mean Temperature Reading:-

 $T_{a} = (T_{4} + T_{5})/2 \ ^{\circ}C$ = (70+71)/2 °C = 70.5°C  $T_{h} = (T_{3} + T_{6})/2 \ ^{\circ}C$ =(60+62)/2 °C =61°C  $T_{c} = (T_{2} + T_{7})/2 \ ^{\circ}C$ =(57+59)/2 °C =58°C  $T_{d} = (T_{1} + T_{8})/2 \ ^{\circ}C$ =(51+53)/2 °C =52 °C

#### Rate of heat supplied $W = V \times I$ Watts =111×1.05 Watts =116.55 Watts Now, Heat flux $q = W/A watts/m^2$ = 116.55/0.0490 watts/m<sup>2</sup> = 2378.57 watts/m<sup>2</sup> Where, $A=\pi/4 \times d^2 m^2$ (Where, d= diameter of plates=0.250m)

A=3.14/4× (0.250)<sup>2</sup> =0.0490 m<sup>2</sup>

#### Sample Calculation

Total thermal resistance of composite slab

 $R_{total} = (T_a - T_d)/q \quad m^2 k/w$ = (70.5-52)/ 2378.57 m<sup>2</sup>k/w = <u>0.007777 m<sup>2</sup>k/w</u>

Thermal conductivity of composite slab  $K_{composite} = qxb / (T_a - T_d) w/m^2 K$   $= 2378.57 \times 0.064/(70.5-52) w/m^2 K$  $= 8.2285 w/m^2 K$ 

Where b= total thickness of the composite slab=0.064m

# Applications:

 Heat transfer has wide applications for the proper functioning of thermal devices and systems. This principle is used to solve many problems in thermal mechanics.

1. Heat exchangers.

- 2. Building construction works.
- 3. Thermal energy storage devices.
- 4. Heat transfer in human body.
- 5. Thermopile and infrared thermometer.
- 6. Thermal resistance in electronics like thermal diode or thermal rectifier.
- 7. Used in laser cooling, radiative cooling, magnetic cooling, etc.



# Thank You