

Lesson 7: Thermal and Mechanical Element Math Models in Control Systems

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Learning Objectives

After this presentation you will be able to:

- Explain how heat flows from conduction and convection in a thermal system.
- Compute thermal resistance and determine heat flow.
- Determine thermal capacitance.
- Determine the mechanical resistance, capacitance and dead-time delay in a mechanical system.

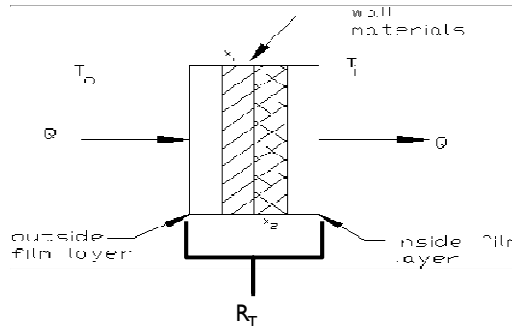
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Thermal Elements In Control Systems

Thermal Conduction and Convection

Thermal Resistance - opposition to heat flow. Heat flows from high temperature to low temperature.



$$Q = \frac{T_o - T_i}{R_T} \text{ Watts}$$

R_u = unit thermal resistance

$$R_T = \frac{R_u}{A} \text{ K}^\circ / \text{W}$$

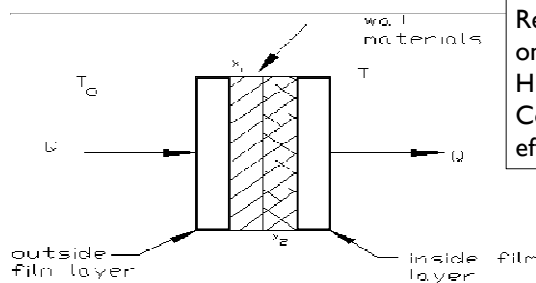
$$Q = \frac{(T_o - T_i) \cdot A}{R_u} \text{ W}$$

Heat transfer by convection & conduction through R_T

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Thermal Conduction and Convection



Resistance of film layers depends on type of fluid, velocity of fluid. High velocity flow makes thin film. Convection cooling, "wind chill" effect.

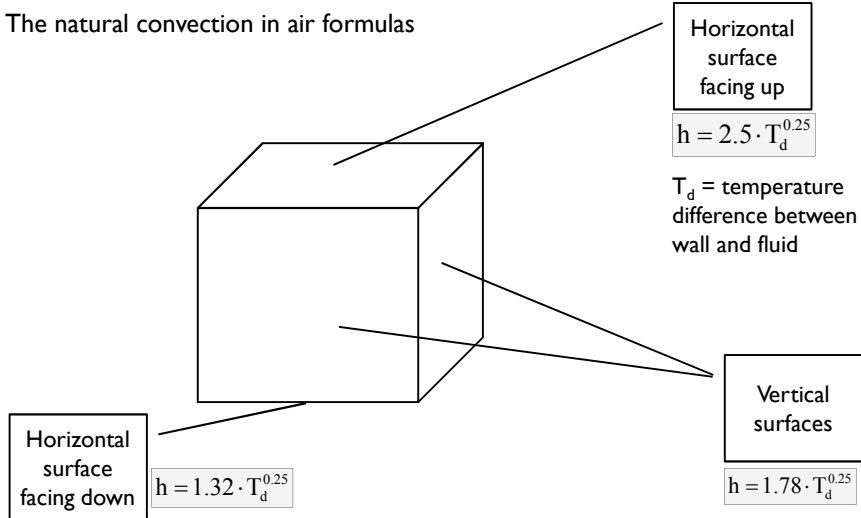
Film conductance $h = \frac{1}{R_{\text{film}}}$ is called film coefficient

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Thermal Conduction and Convection

The natural convection in air formulas



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Thermal Conduction and Convection

Natural and Forced Convection

Natural convection in still water $h = 2.26 \cdot (T_w + 34.3) \cdot T_d^{0.5}$

Where: T_w = water temperature

Forced convection-air against smooth surfaces and inside pipes.

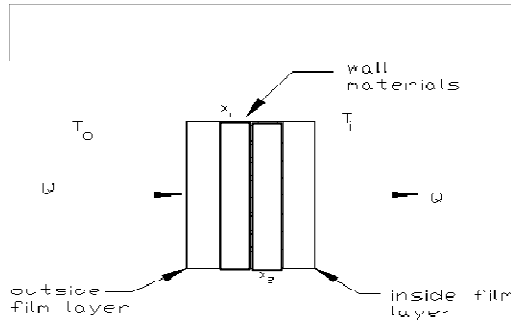
$$\begin{array}{ll} v_{\text{air}} \leq 4.6 \text{ m/s} & h = 4.54 + 4.1 \cdot v_{\text{air}} \\ v_{\text{air}} > 4.6 \text{ m/s} & h = 7.75 v_{\text{air}}^{0.75} \end{array}$$

Where: v_{air} = velocity of air flow.

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Thermal Conduction



Thermal resistance of inner solid layers given by

$$R_{U_i} = \frac{x_i}{K_i} \text{ K-m}^2/\text{W}$$

Where: x_i = thickness of i-th material
 K_i = thermal conductivity of material

(See appendix in text for values)

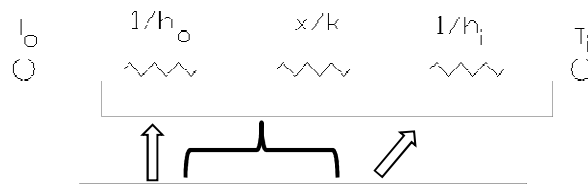
Unit resistance of a composite wall is the sum of inside and outside film resistances and the resistances comprising the wall.

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Thermal Conduction

Series resistance analogy for thermal conduction through a composite material. Temperature analogous to voltages.



$$R_U = \frac{1}{h_o} + \frac{x_1}{K_1} + \frac{x_2}{K_2} + \dots + \frac{x_n}{K_n} + \frac{1}{h_i} \text{ K-m}^2/\text{W}$$

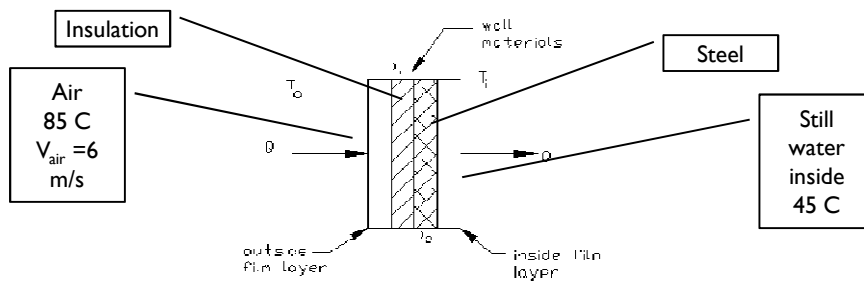
$$R_T = \left(\frac{1}{A}\right) \cdot \left[\frac{1}{h_o} + \frac{x_1}{K_1} + \frac{x_2}{K_2} + \dots + \frac{x_n}{K_n} + \frac{1}{h_i} \right] \text{ K/W}$$

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Heat Flow Example

Example 7-1: A wall section shown below has 2 layers: steel 1 cm thick, and insulation 2 cm thick. Still Water at 45 C is inside the wall. The temperature difference between the water and the inner wall is estimated to be 10 C. The outer wall is surrounded by air at a temperature of 85 C that has a velocity of 6 m/s. The wall dimensions are 2 m x 3 m. Determine the unit thermal resistance, the total thermal resistance, the total heat flow, the direction of heat flow.



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Heat Flow Example Solution (1)

Find K_1 and K_2 from the Appendix A of the textbook

Steel $K_1 = 45 \text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K}$

$X_1 = 0.01 \text{ m} = 1 \text{ cm}$

Insulation $K_2 = 0.036 \text{ W/m}\cdot\text{K}$

$X_2 = 0.02 \text{ m} = 2 \text{ cm}$

$A = 2 \text{ m} \times 3 \text{ m} = 6 \text{ m}^2$

Inside film coefficient is for still water

$T_w = 45 \text{ C}$

$T_d = 10 \text{ C}$

$h_i = 2.26 (T_w + 34.3) T_d^{0.5}$

$h_i = 2.26 (45 + 34.3) (10)^{0.5}$

$h_i = 2.26 (79.3) (3.162) \text{ W/m}^2\cdot\text{K}$

$h_i = 566.7 \text{ W/m}^2\cdot\text{K}$

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Heat Flow Example Solution (2)

Outside film coefficient is for force air convection

$$V_{\text{air}} = 6 \text{ m/s} > 4.6 \text{ m/s}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Use } h_0 &= 7.76 V_{\text{air}}^{0.75} \\ h_0 &= 7.76 (6 \text{ m/s})^{0.75} \\ h_0 &= 29.75 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K} \end{aligned}$$

$$R_u = \frac{1}{h_0} + \frac{x_1}{k_1} + \frac{x_2}{k_2} + \frac{1}{h_1}$$

$$R_u = \frac{1}{29.75 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K}} + \frac{0.01 \text{ m}}{45 \text{ W/m-K}} + \frac{0.02}{0.036 \text{ W/m-K}} + \frac{1}{566.7 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K}}$$

$$R_u = 0.001765 + 0.000222 + 0.5556 + 0.001765 \text{ m}^2\text{-K/W}$$

$$R_u = 0.5912 \text{ m}^2\text{-K/W} \quad \leftarrow \text{ANS}$$

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Heat Flow Example Solution (3)

Now compute the total thermal resistance and the heat flow

$$R_T = \frac{R_u}{A} = \frac{0.5912 \text{ m}^2\text{-K/W}}{6 \text{ m}^2}$$

$$R_T = 0.09854 \text{ K/W}$$

Compute heat flow

$$T_o = 85^\circ\text{C} \quad T_i = 45^\circ\text{C} \quad Q = \frac{T_o - T_i}{R_T}$$

$$Q = \frac{(85^\circ\text{C} - 45^\circ\text{C})}{0.09854 \text{ K/W}} = 406 \text{ W} \quad \leftarrow \text{ANS}$$

Note: No need to convert degrees C to K since we are taking the different of two Temperatures.

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Convection Calculation Example

Example 7-2: Determine the thermal resistance for each of the following film conditions: a.) Natural convection in still air of vertical surface $T_d = 20$ C. b.) natural convection in still water where $T_d = 30$ C and T_w is 20 C c.) forced convection of air with velocity of 4 m/s.

a.) Natural convection in still air of vertical surface

$$T_d = 20^\circ\text{C}$$

$$h = 1.78 T_d^{0.25}$$

$$h = 1.78 (20)^{0.25}$$

$$h = 3.764 \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}$$

$$R = \frac{L}{h} = 0.266 \text{ K}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{W} \quad \leftarrow \text{ANS}$$

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Example 7-2 Solution (2)

b.) Natural convection in still water $T_d = 30^\circ\text{C}$ $T_w = 20^\circ\text{C}$

$$h = 2.26 (T_w + 34.3) (T_d)^{0.5}$$

$$h = 2.26 (20 + 34.3) (30)^{0.5}$$

$$h = 2.26 (54.3) (30)^{0.5}$$

$$h = 672.2 \text{ m}^2\cdot\text{K}/\text{W}$$

$$R = \frac{L}{h} = \frac{L}{672.2} = 0.00149 \text{ K}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{W}$$

$$R = 0.00149 \text{ K}\cdot\text{m}^2/\text{W}$$

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Example 7-2 Solution (3)

c.) forced convection of air with velocity of 4 m/s $V_{air} = 4 \text{ m/s}$

$$h = 4.54 + 4.1 V_{air}$$

$$h = 4.54 + 4.1(4 \text{ m/s}) = 20.94 \text{ W/m}^2\text{-K}$$

$$R = \frac{1}{h} = \frac{1}{20.94 \text{ m}^2\text{-K/W}} = 0.0478 \text{ m}^2\text{-K/W}$$

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Thermal Capacitance (Heat Capacity)

Thermal Capacitance - increase in heat required to make a unit change in temperature (SI unit J/K)

Heat Capacity (specific heat) - heat required to raise temperature of 1 kg of material by 1 K.

$$C_T = m \cdot S_T$$

Where:

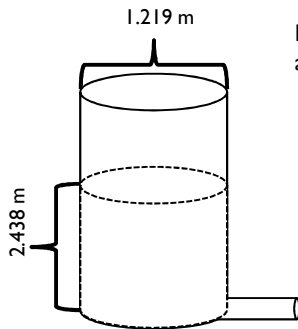
- C_T = thermal capacitance
- m = mass (kg)
- S_T = heat capacity (J/kg)

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Thermal Capacitance Example

Example 7-3: An insulated water storage tank shown below has a diameter of 1.219 m and is filled to a height of 2.438 m. Determine the thermal capacitance, C_T , of the water in the tank. Also determine the tank liquid capacitance, C_L .



Find the mass of water in the tank by using the tank volume and the density of water

$$\rho = 1000 \text{ kg/m}^3 \quad h = 2.438 \text{ m} \quad d = 1.219 \text{ m}$$

$$S_T = 4190 \text{ J/kg} \cdot \text{K}$$

$$A = \frac{\pi \cdot d^2}{4} \quad A = \frac{\pi \cdot (1.219 \text{ m})^2}{4} \quad A = 1.167 \text{ m}^2$$

$$V_{\text{tank}} = h \cdot A \quad V_{\text{tank}} = (2.438 \text{ m}) \cdot (1.167 \text{ m}^2) \quad V_{\text{tank}} = 2.845 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\rho = 1000 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3} \quad m_W = \rho \cdot V_{\text{tank}} \quad m_W = 2845 \text{ kg}$$

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Example 7-3 Solution (1)

Now find the thermal capacitance

$$S_T = 4190 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg} \cdot \text{K}} \quad m_W = 2845 \text{ kg} \quad C_T = (2845 \text{ kg}) \cdot \left(4190 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{kg} \cdot \text{K}} \right)$$

$$C_T = m_W \cdot S_T$$

$$C_T = 1.192 \times 10^7 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{K}} \quad \leftarrow \text{ANS}$$

Compute the liquid capacitance

$$A = 1.167 \text{ m}^2 \quad g = 9.807 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}^2} \quad \rho = 1000 \frac{\text{kg}}{\text{m}^3}$$

$$C_L = \frac{A}{\rho \cdot g}$$

$$C_L = 1.19 \times 10^{-4} \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{Pa}} \quad \leftarrow \text{ANS}$$

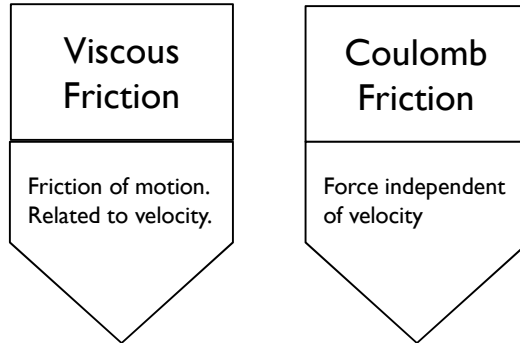
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Characteristics of Mechanical Elements

Mechanical Resistance = Friction. Opposition to motion.
Force required to increase velocity.

Types of Friction

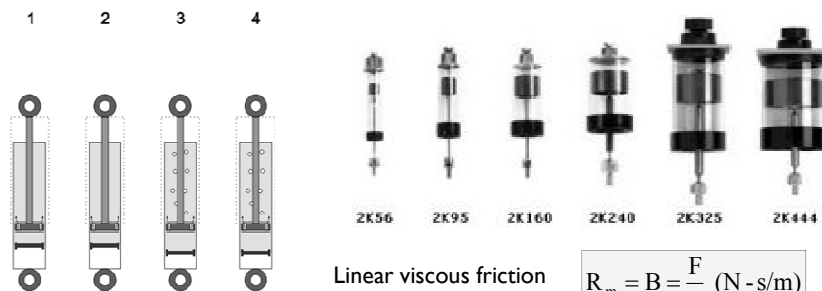


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Characteristics of Mechanical Elements

Examples of viscous friction - shock absorber, dash pot



Linear viscous friction

$$R_m = B = \frac{F}{v} \text{ (N - s/m)}$$

Non-linear viscous friction

$$R_m = B = \frac{\Delta F}{\Delta v}$$

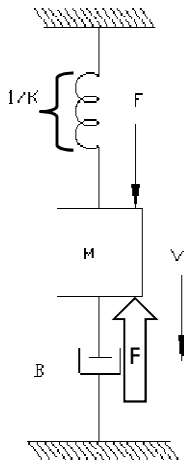
$$R_m(v) = B(v) = \lim_{\Delta v \rightarrow 0} \frac{\Delta F}{\Delta v} = \frac{dF}{dv}$$

At operating point,
use tangent line to
find approximate B

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Mechanical Energy Storage



Mechanical Capacitance - change in length of spring required to make unit increase in force. Inverse spring constant

$$C_m = \frac{1}{K} \text{ (N/m)}$$

Mechanical inertia - force required to make unit increase in acceleration. Proportional to mass.

$$F_{ave} = m \cdot \left[\frac{\Delta v}{\Delta t} \right] = m \cdot a_{ave}$$

$$F = \frac{dv}{dt} = m \cdot a$$

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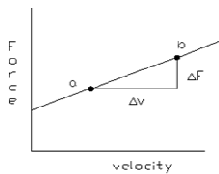
Mechanical Delay

Mechanical Dead-Time - time required to transport material from one place to another.

$$t_d = \frac{D}{v}$$

Where: D = distance material covers
v = velocity of material

Example 7-4: A mechanical system consists of a sliding load and a shock absorber. The force versus velocity curve is shown below. Find R_m and coulomb friction, F_c .



Run	Force=F (N)	Velocity=v (m/s)
a	7.1	10.5
b	9.6	15.75

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Example 7-4 Solution

$$\text{USE } F = F_c + BV \quad B = R_m = \frac{\Delta F}{\Delta V}$$

Use the point-slope form of the line

$$F - F_1 = \frac{\Delta F}{\Delta V} (V - V_1) \quad \boxed{F_1 = 7.1 \text{ N } v_1 = 10.5 \text{ m/s}}$$

$$F - 7.1 = \frac{9.6 - 7.1}{15.75 - 10.5} (V - 10.5) \quad F - 7.1 = 0.4762V - 5$$

$$F - 7.1 = \frac{2.5}{5.25} (V - 10.5) \quad F = 0.4762V + 2.1 \text{ N}$$

$$\boxed{B = 0.4762 \frac{\text{N}}{\text{m}}} \\ \boxed{F_c = 2.1 \text{ N}}$$

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