## **Radiation Heat Transfer**

Thermal radiation is that electromagnetic radiation emitted by a body as a result of its temperature.

# **Radiation Properties**

When radiant energy strikes a material surface, part of the radiation is reflected, part is absorbed, and part is transmitted.



If

 $\rho$  = the fraction reflected = Reflectivity

 $\alpha$  = the fraction absorbed = absorptivity

 $\tau$  = the fraction transmitted = transmissivity

This mean

$$\rho + \alpha + \tau = 1$$

For most solid,  $\tau = 0$ 

 $\therefore \rho + \alpha = 1$ 

For black body  $\rho = 0$ 

### **Reflection is of Two Types**

1- Specular reflection, when the angle of incidence is equal to the angle of reflection.



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2- Diffuse reflection, when an incident beam is distributed uniformly in all directions after reflection.



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The emissive power of a body E is defined as the energy emitted by the body per unit area and per unit time.

Black body is a body which absorbs all the incident radiation falling upon it. Thus, **Eb** is the emissive power of a black body.

$$\therefore \in = \frac{E}{Eb}$$

For black body,  $\mathcal{C} = 1$ 

and

 $Eb \alpha T^4$ 

Where T is the absolute temperature of a body (K).

The constant proportion ( $\sigma$ ) is called Stefan-Boltzmann constant = 5.669 × 10<sup>-8</sup> W/m<sup>2</sup>.K<sup>4</sup>

$$q_{net} = A \cdot \sigma (T_1^4 - T_2^4)$$

### **Radiation Shape Factor**



Consider two black surfaces A1 and A2, as shown in Figure. The radiation shape factors are defined as:

 $F_{1-2}$  = fraction of energy leaving surface 1 that reaches surface 2

 $F_{2-1}$  = fraction of energy leaving surface 2 that reaches surface 1

 $F_{i-j}$  = fraction of energy leaving surface i that reaches surface j

The calculations of shape factors for a few geometries are given in figures 8.12 to 8.16 (also table 8.2).

The energy leaving surface 1 and arriving at surface  $E_{b1}A_1F_{12}$ The energy leaving surface 2 and arriving at surface  $E_{b2}A_2F_{21}$ 

Since the surfaces are black, all the incident radiation will be absorbed, and the net energy exchange is

$$E_{b1}A_1F_{12} - E_{b2}A_2F_{21} = Q_{1-2}$$

If both surfaces are at the same temperature, there can be no heat exchange, that is,  $Q_{1-2} = 0$ . Also, for  $T_1 = T_2$ 

$$E_{b1} = E_{b2}$$

so that

$$A_1 F_{12} = A_2 F_{21}$$
 [8-18]

The net heat exchange is therefore

$$Q_{1-2} = A_1 F_{12}(E_{b1} - E_{b2}) = A_2 F_{21}(E_{b1} - E_{b2})$$
[8-19]

Equation (8-18) is known as a reciprocity relation, and it applies in a general way for any two surfaces i and j:

$$A_i F_{ij} = A_j F_{ji} \qquad [8-18a]$$

Although the relation is derived for black surfaces, it holds for other surfaces also as long as diffuse radiation is involved.

Heat Transfer Between Black Surfaces EXAMPLE 8-2

Two parallel black plates 0.5 by 1.0 m are spaced 0.5 m apart. One plate is maintained at 1000°C and the other at 500°C. What is the net radiant heat exchange between the two plates?

#### **Solution**

The ratios for use with Figure 8-12 are

$$\frac{Y}{D} = \frac{0.5}{0.5} = 1.0$$
  $\frac{X}{D} = \frac{1.0}{0.5} = 2.0$ 

so that  $F_{12} = 0.285$ . The heat transfer is calculated from

$$q = A_1 F_{12}(E_{b1} - E_{b2}) = \sigma A_1 F_{12}(T_1^4 - T_2^4)$$
  
= (5.669 × 10<sup>-8</sup>)(0.5)(0.285)(1273<sup>4</sup> - 773<sup>4</sup>)  
= 18.33 kW [62,540 Btu/h]