

Welcome to ME516: Macroscale Heat Transfer

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★ So what is Heat Transfer besides redundant?

Heat: is the transfer of energy due to a temperature gradient.

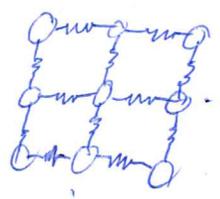
→ Conduction: occurs due to the interaction of micro-scale energy carriers

→ Convection: occurs when conduction happens to a medium that is flowing or free to move.

→ Radiation: occurs when electromagnetic waves (e.g. light) transfers

Principle Microscale Energy Carriers

Solid



Mechanisms

1) Electron/Hole transport (Thermoelectric generators)

2) Phonon (Lattice Vibrations)

3) Radiation (EM waves/photons)

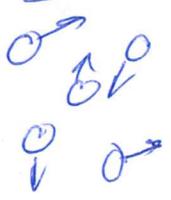
Liquid



4) Fluid particle translation, vibration, rotation, electron

5) Random Collisions

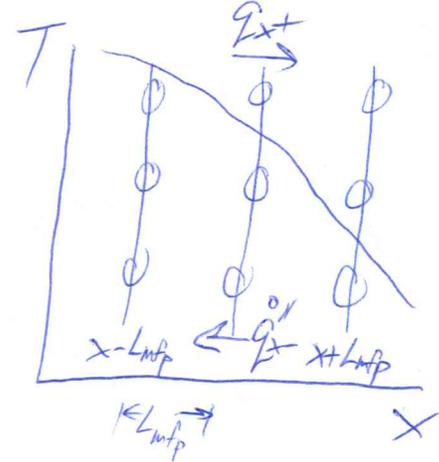
Gas



★ When the distance between microscale carrier interaction (L_{mfp}) is much less than the length scale (L) that matters $K_n = \frac{L_{mfp}}{L} \ll 1$ then we can lump these interactions into 1 property.

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Thermal Conductivity k ($\frac{W}{m \cdot K}$) is used to calculate heat transfer via Fourier's Law: $q'' = -k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x}$ where q'' is heat flux in x direction ($\frac{W}{m^2}$) $\frac{\partial T}{\partial x}$ is the temperature gradient in x



n_{ms} = # density of the energy carriers ($\frac{\#}{m^3}$)

v_{ms} = velocity of the energy carriers (m/s)

$\lambda_{ms} = 2L_{ms}$ = average distance between interactions (m)

Left to right

$$q''_{x+} \approx n_{ms} v_{ms} c_{ms} T_{x-L_{ms}}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{\# \text{ of carriers} \\ \text{area-time}}} \quad \underbrace{\hspace{10em}}_{\substack{\text{Energy} \\ \text{carriers}}}$

Right to left

$$q''_{x-} \approx n_{ms} v_{ms} c_{ms} T_{x+L_{ms}}$$

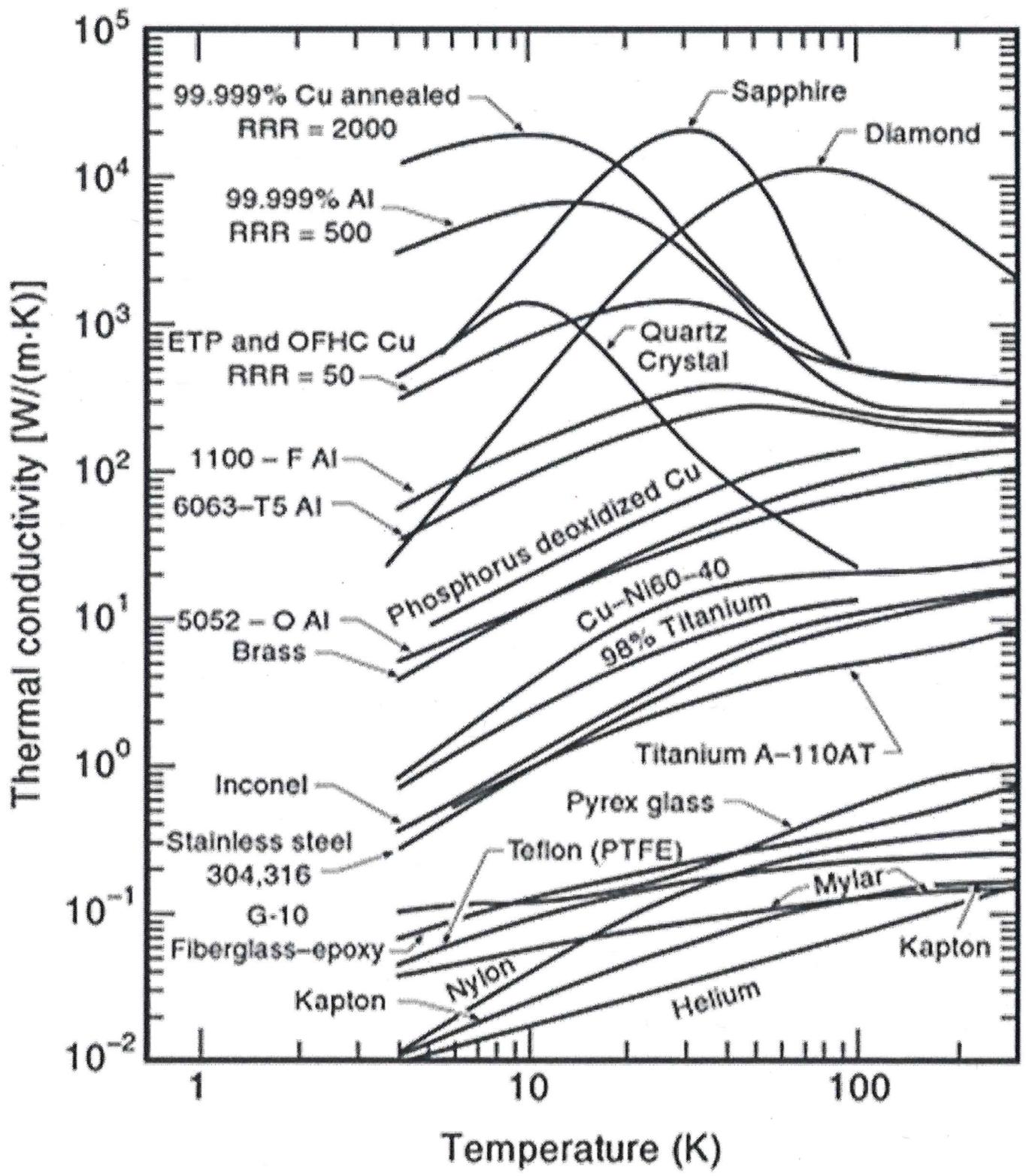
Net energy Transfer

$$q'' \approx n_{ms} v_{ms} c_{ms} (T_{x-L_{ms}} - T_{x+L_{ms}}) \left(\frac{2L_{ms}}{2L_{ms}} \right) \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow q'' \approx \underbrace{-n_{ms} v_{ms} c_{ms} 2L_{ms}}_k (T_{x+L_{ms}} - T_{x-L_{ms}}) \Rightarrow q'' = -k \frac{\partial T}{\partial x}$$

* Show Plot from Ekin

→ What causes the features & trends observed in this graph?
→ List as many mechanisms as you can think of.



desirable

→ It is often more convenient to calculate the total heat transfer \dot{Q} instead of the heat flux. This allows us to transform thermal conductivity into a convenient resistance value:

$$R \left(\frac{K}{W} \right) = \frac{\text{temperature differential}}{\text{heat transfer rate}} = \frac{(T_H - T_C)}{\dot{Q}} \Rightarrow \dot{Q} = \frac{(T_H - T_C)}{R}$$

However, the thermal resistance not only depends on thermal conductivity but on the particular geometry of the problem. See table 1-2 pg. 17

By quickly estimating the ^{relative} size of thermal resistances, you can quickly determine what physics & features are relevant to an analysis.

This is similar to a type of ~~the~~ comparison known as a sensitivity study → if convective & radiative resistances are orders of magnitude less than conduction ~~the~~ you can often assume these forms are negligible in your analysis.

★ Next time we'll begin to create a process that will help us focus our efforts on 1-D conduction problems.