

Lecture 28: Heat energy and transport

- 0th law of Thermodynamics
- Heat and temperature change
- Heat transfer

Zero-th Law of Thermodynamics

Two objects in thermal contact, no interaction with the environment → will reach the same temperature after sufficient time.

= **Thermal equilibrium.**

If two objects are in thermal equilibrium with a third object, they are in thermal equilibrium with each other.

Basis for any temperature measurement

Energy transfer

If two objects are in contact: Energy transfer.

Heat energy transferred because of difference in temperature.

Heat is always flowing from hot object to cold object

If heat is put into an object, its temperature rises.

$$\Delta T = \frac{Q}{m c_{\text{substance}}}$$

$c_{\text{substance}}$ is called specific heat,
heat capacity

Heat

$$Q = mc\Delta T$$

Q is the amount of heat energy that needs to be transferred into mass m of the substance to change its temperature by ΔT .

If Q is **positive**:

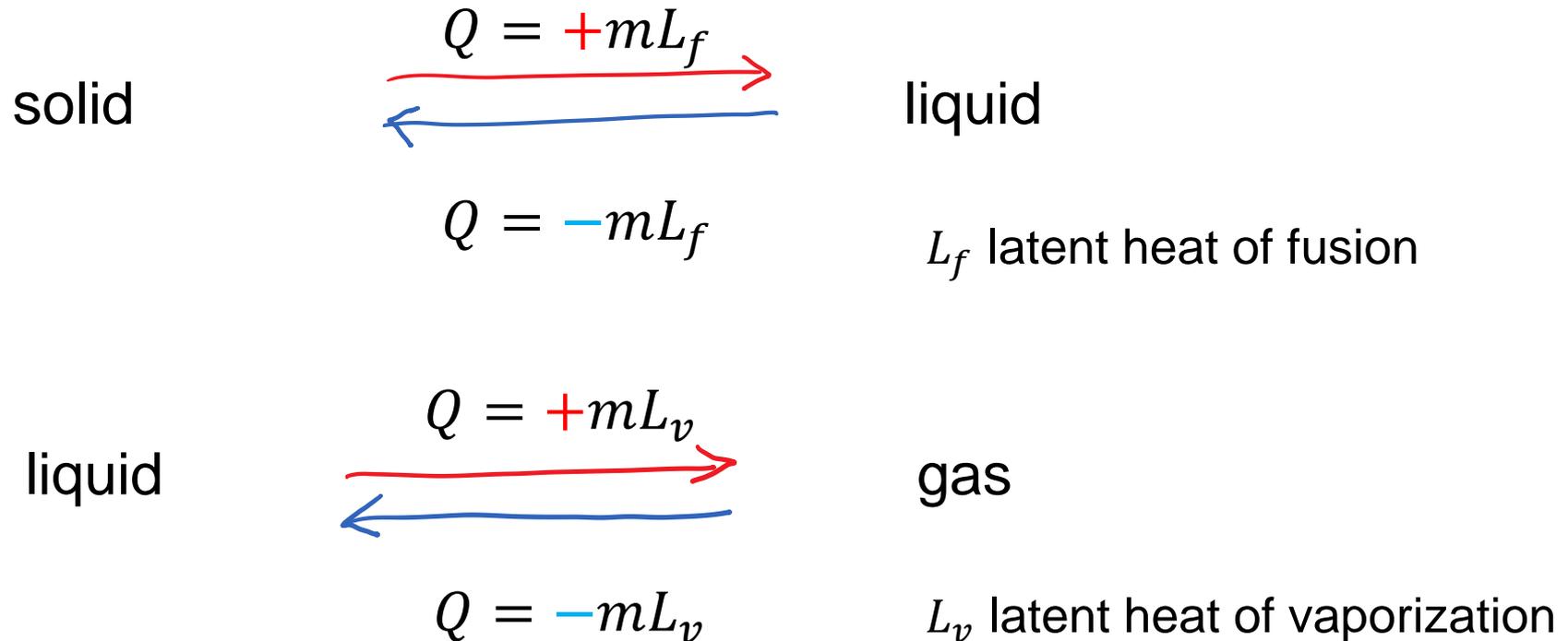
- ΔT is positive (temperature increases)
- Heat energy flows **into** system

If Q is **negative**:

- ΔT is negative (temperature decreases)
- Heat flows **out of** the system

Heat in phase changes

Phase changes (phase transitions) require (+) or release (−) extra amount of heat.



Example 1

300 g of tea at 70°C are poured into a 120g cup made of aluminum that is at a temperature of 20°C . What is the final temperature?

Example 2

You have 0.25 kg of water at 25 °C and are adding ice to it that has a temperature of – 20°C. How much ice is needed to that the final temperature of the mixture is 0°C and all ice is melted? Neglect the container.

Three mechanisms of heat transfer

Conduction

Convection

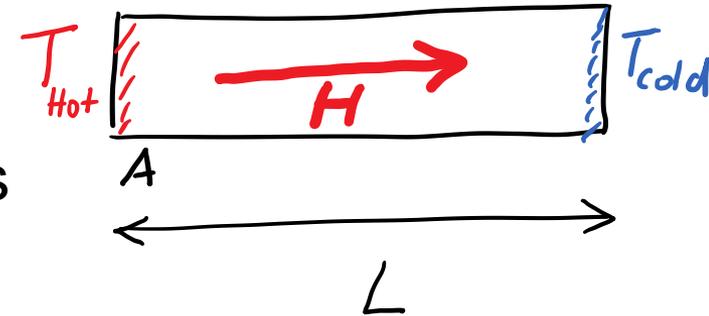
Radiation

Heat conduction

length L

cross sectional area A

temperatures T_{hot} and T_{cold} at ends

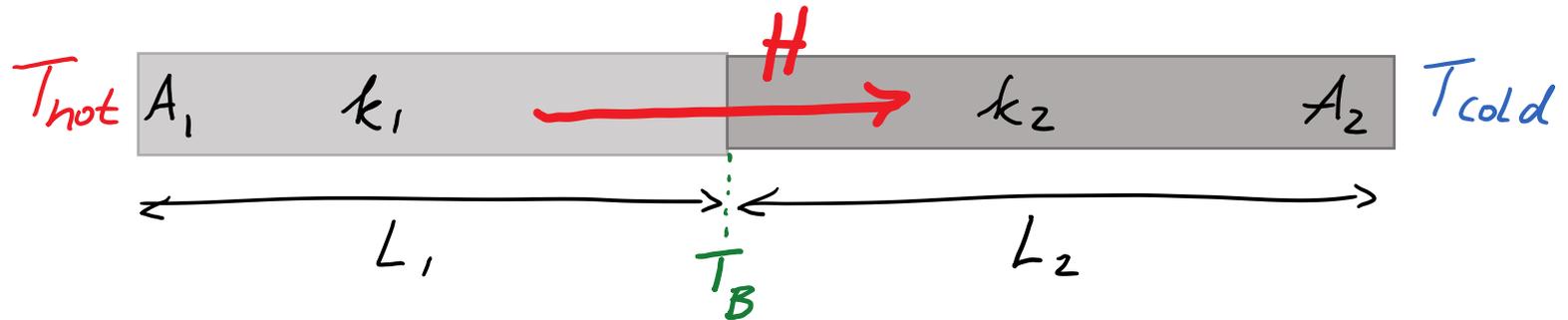


Rate of heat energy flow through area A *in steady state*:

$$H = \frac{dQ}{dt} = kA \frac{T_{hot} - T_{cold}}{L}$$

k thermal conductivity, material property

Material boundaries



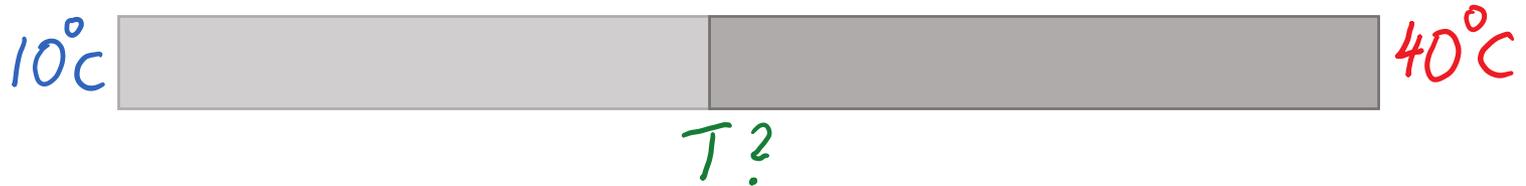
$$H_1 = \frac{k_1 A_1 (T_{hot} - T_B)}{L_1} = H_2 = \frac{k_2 A_2 (T_B - T_{cold})}{L_2}$$

Layers of different materials with different thermal conductivities k_n and thickness L_n :

$$H = A \frac{T_{hot} - T_{cold}}{R_{tot}}$$

$$R_{tot} = \sum R_n \quad R_n = \frac{L_n}{k_n}$$

Example



A rod of uniform cross section has its left end placed in water of a temperature 10°C and its right end at 40°C . The left half of the rod consists of material A with a thermal conductivity of $400\text{ W/m}^{\circ}\text{C}$, the right half of material B with thermal conductivity of $200\text{ W/m}^{\circ}\text{C}$. The temperature in the middle of the rod is:

- A) 20°C B) 25°C C) 30.5°C D) 18°C