# **Chapter 6**

# **Using Thermal Energy**

#### Conduction

- Convection
- Radiation

Know the three main ways that thermal energy is transferred.



transfer of energy by direct contact of matter
Result of one particle colliding with another
Conduction takes place best when particles are close together

- Some solids are better conductors than other.
  - Metals are better conductors than nonmetals\*

What materials are good conductors?

# Conduction

# Onvection \* Energy transfer by the movement of matter The difference between conduction and

- The difference between conduction and convection is that in convection the particles move from one place to another and conduction the particles remain in approximately the same place
   Convection is in a fluid where particles
  - can move
    - Water and air
    - Hot air balloon
    - Cause of ocean currents
    - And wind

#### **Radiation**\*

- Transfer of energy in the form of waves
- The absorbed radiant energy is turned to thermal energy\*
- Some energy is reflected
- Different material absorb energy different
- Shiny reflect radiant energy
- Dark absorb radiant energy
- Anything above 0 Kelvin emit radiation

 Energy gets from the sun to the earth by radiation\*
 What is required in conduction and convection, but not in radiation?\*



Do not allow heat to move easily
Insulators are usually a combination of air pockets and reflective material
Air pocket stop or slow
Reflective surfaces help stop radiation
Nonmetals make good insulators
How does a good insulator stop conduction, convection, and radiation?\*

### **Insulators**\*

#### Wood, plastics, glass, foam etc...



### **Insulation ratings**

R values are the resistance to heat flow\* R value is the resistance of 1 m by 1 m of material for each cm thickness R value needed in the wall is 19 and in the roof is 30-40 • Windows have a low R factor R value table p 157

Explain R-factor. Why is higher R-Value needed in the ceiling than the walls?

Description	Detail	<b>R-Value</b>
Batt & Blanket - Uncompressed	Approx. 1"	2.55 - 2.92
Batt & Blanket - Compressed	1"	3.08 - 3.14
Cellular Glass Insulation Board	1"	2.86
Glass Fiber Insulation Board	1"	4.00
Expanded Perlite Board, Organic	1"	2.78
Expanded Rubber Insulation Board	1"	4.55
Polystyrene Board Extruded - Molded	1"	3.85 - 5.00
Polyurethane/Polyisocyanurate Board - Gas	1"	5.56 - 6.25
Cellular Impermeable Facers	1"	7.20
Perlite Insulation Board	1"	2.63
Foamed Urethane Board	1"	7.15
Perlite Urethane Board	1"	5.00
Fiberglass Urethane Board	1"	5.56
Loose Fill	1''	2.00 - 2.18
Perlite Loose Fill	1"	3.05
Vermiculite Loose Fill	1"	2.13 -2.27
NOT PUBLISHED IN MANUAL:		
Icynene Spray In Place	1''	3.84 **
Icynene Pour In Place	1''	4.14
<b>Rigid Polyurethane Insulation Spray In Place</b>	1"	6.33 - 7.15

Using heat
Heating buildings
Cooling buildings
Generating electricity
Moving vehicles
refrigeration

## How does a good insulator stop conduction, convection, and radiation? Explain R-factor or R-Value.

- 3. What is required in conduction and convection, but not in radiation?
- 4. What are the three main ways that heat is transferred?
- 5. What type of material is a good conductor?
- 6. How does energy get from the sun to the earth?



#### **Convection heating** systems

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- Radiator systems
- Radiator is a device with a lot of surface area designed to heat the air near it by conduction
- Convection currents then circulate the heat in the room
- Usually hot water or steam but can be electric
- Forced Air
- Electrical heating systems
   Some use conduction and radiation create convection currents to Why do pipes in a steam-heating system need to be insulated?\*

Use of the sun to heat the building
Passive solar heating
Uses no fans or mechanical devices to move heat
Active solar heating
Uses fans, pumps or whatever is needed to move energy to the building from the solar collector

What is the difference between passive and active solar heating?\*

# **Solar Heating**



#### Direct Gain Direct gain is the most common passive solar system in residential applications





#### Sunspaces

Sunspaces provide useful passive solar heating and also provide a valuable amenity to homes.



#### Thermal Storage Wall

A thermal storage wall is an effective passive solar system, especially to provide nighttime heating.





#### Using heat to do work

#### Heat Engines

Heat engines are devices that convert thermal energy into mechanical energy

- Internal combustion engines
  - Fuel is burned inside the engine to expand the air to do the work
    - Diesel (more efficient than gasoline)\*
      - Doesn't have a spark plug\*
    - Gasoline
      - Has a spark plug\*
- External combustion engines- fuel is burned outside engine to cause expanding gases to move piston or turbines
   What is the difference between internal and external combustion engines?\*











Intake

#### Compression

#### Ignition/power

#### Exhaust

*List the steps of a four stroke engine in order.*\*





Steam Engine

http://www.animatedengines.com/locomotive.html

4 Stroke Gasoline

http://www.animatedengines.com/otto.html

Two Stroke

http://www.animatedengines.com/twostroke.html

Diesel

http://www.animatedengines.com/diesel.html

Stirling engine

http://www.animatedengines.com/vstirling.html

## Wankle Engine

Wankle Rotary http://www.animatedengines.com/wankel.html Heat movers

- a device that moves heat from one place to another
  - Refrigerator
  - Air Conditioner
  - Heat pump
- Sweat the human heat mover

How does sweat cool the body?

Be able to give examples of heat move







How does a heat mover like a refrigerator work?



