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## **Stefan-Boltzman law**

According to Stefan Boltzmann law, the amount of radiation emitted per unit time from an area A of a black body at absolute temperature T is directly proportional to the fourth power of the temperature.  $u = sAT^4 \dots (1)$ where s is Stefan's constant = 5.67 × 10<sup>-8</sup> W/m<sup>2</sup> k<sup>4</sup>

A body which is not a black body absorbs and hence emit less radiation, given by equation (1) For such a body,  $u = e \sigma AT^4 \dots (2)$ 

where e = emissivity (which is equal to absorptive power) which lies between 0 to 1.

With the surroundings of temperature  $T_0$ , net energy radiated by an area A per unit time.

 $\Delta u = u - u_0 = e\sigma A [T^4 - T_0^4] \dots (3)$ 

Stefan Boltzmann Law relates the temperature of the blackbody to the amount of the power it emits per unit area. The law states that;

"The total energy emitted/radiated per unit surface area of a blackbody across all wavelengths per unit time is directly proportional to the fourth power of the black body's thermodynamic temperature."

 $\Rightarrow \epsilon = \sigma T^4$ 

## **Derivation of Stefan Boltzmann Law**

The total power radiated per unit area over all wavelengths of a black body can be obtained by integrating Plank's radiation formula. Thus, the

$$\frac{dP}{d\lambda}\frac{1}{A} = \frac{2\pi hc^2}{\lambda^5 \left(e^{\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}} - 1\right)}$$

radiated power per unit area as a function of wavelength is:

Where,

- 1. P is Power radiated.
- 2. A is the surface area of a blackbody.
- 3.  $\lambda$  is the wavelength of emitted radiation.
- 4. h is Planck's constant
- 5. c is the velocity of light
- 6. k is Boltzmann's constant
- 7. T is temperature.

On simplifying Stefan Boltzmann equation, we get:

$$\frac{d\left(\frac{P}{A}\right)}{d\lambda} = \frac{2\pi hc^2}{\lambda^5 \left(e^{\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}} - 1\right)}$$

On integrating both the sides with respect to  $\lambda$  and applying the limits we get;

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{d\left(\frac{P}{A}\right)}{d\lambda} =$$

$$\int_{0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{2\pi hc^{2}}{\lambda^{5}\left(e^{\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}}-1\right)}\right] d\lambda$$
The integrated power after separating the constants is:
$$\frac{P}{A} = 2\pi hc^{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} \left[\frac{d\lambda}{\lambda^{5}\left(e^{\frac{hc}{\lambda kT}}-1\right)}\right]$$

$$-(1)$$