# EESC UN3201 <br> Solid Earth Dynamics <br> Spring 2023 

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## Today:

Heat flow: Cooling

- of a house
- of a dike
- of the ground



## © Temperature



house
wind wind $\eta$
outside air isothermal due to wind

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\Delta T=0
$$

inside air isothermal due to fan
temperature $\Delta T(t)$
house
Initial temperature of the house

$$
\Delta T(t=0)=\Delta T_{0}
$$

house cools by conduction through walls with total area, $A$


## Conservation of energy

## change in heat in house

 with time=

## heat loss thru walls



## Conservation of energy

$$
\begin{gathered}
\rho c_{p} V \frac{d \Delta T}{d t} \\
= \\
-A q
\end{gathered}
$$

## Conservation of energy

outside air



house
Ever hear of an R-Value in connection with home insulation?

$$
\begin{gathered}
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= \\
-A q
\end{gathered}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& =-\frac{A}{R} \Delta T \\
& \mathrm{R}=\mathrm{w} / \mathrm{k}
\end{aligned}
$$


house

Conservation of energy

$$
\frac{d \Delta T}{d t}=-c \Delta T
$$

with

$$
c=\frac{A k}{w \rho c_{p} V}
$$


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"Exponential" function

$$
e^{t}=(2.71 \cdots)^{t}=\exp (t)
$$

$\frac{d}{d t} e^{t}=e^{t} \quad$ derivative is itself

$$
\frac{d}{d t} e^{-a t}=-a e^{t}
$$

Conservation of energy

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$$

$$
\Delta T=\Delta T_{0} \quad e^{-a t}
$$

> compatible
> with equation?

#  <br> with equation? 

Conservation of energy

yes if $a=c$


$$
\Delta T=\Delta T_{0} \quad e^{-c t}
$$

$$
c=\frac{A k}{w \rho c_{p} V}
$$

| small c | big c <br> small, $A$ <br> small, $k$ <br> big $W$ <br> big $V$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| big, $A$ |  |
| big, $k$ |  |
| small $W$ |  |
| small $V$ |  |





$$
w=1 \times 10^{5} \mathrm{~m}
$$

$$
R=\underline{6.4 \times 10^{6} \mathrm{~m}}
$$

$$
\begin{aligned}
V & =\frac{4}{3} \pi R^{3} \\
A & =4 \pi R^{2} \\
\rho & =5000 \frac{\mathrm{~kg}}{\mathrm{R}^{3}} \\
k & =0.27 \frac{\mathrm{~J}}{\mathrm{sm}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}} \\
c_{p} & =950 \frac{\mathrm{~J}}{\mathrm{~kg}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}}
\end{aligned}
$$

Earth
$t_{0}$ : about 10 billion years

$$
\begin{aligned}
& R=6.4 \times 10^{6} \mathrm{~m} \\
& V=\frac{4}{3} \pi R^{3} \\
& A=4 \pi R^{2}
\end{aligned} \quad \begin{array}{ll}
\text { size, shape of earth } \\
\rho=5000 \frac{\mathrm{~kg}}{R^{3}} & \begin{array}{l}
\text { density of } \\
\text { deep earth rocks }
\end{array} \\
c_{p}=950 \frac{\mathrm{~J}}{\mathrm{~kg}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}} & \begin{array}{l}
\text { heat capacity of } \\
\text { deep earth rocks }
\end{array} \\
k=0.27 \frac{\mathrm{~J}}{\mathrm{sm}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}} & \begin{array}{l}
\text { thermal conductivity } \\
\text { of lithospheric rocks }
\end{array} \\
w=1 \times 10^{5} \mathrm{~m} & \begin{array}{l}
\text { thickness } \\
\text { of lithosphere }
\end{array}
\end{array}
$$

## Earth

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deep earth rock

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deflection
of seafloor $k=0.27 \frac{\mathrm{~J}}{\mathrm{sm}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}}$
thickness
of lithosphere

measuring heat flow
escaping heat, $q$ in $-k \frac{W}{m^{2}}$

measuring heat flow

$$
\text { escaping heat, } q=-k \frac{d \Delta T}{d z}
$$


measuring heat flow

## escaping heat, $q=-k \frac{d \Delta T}{d z} \underbrace{}_{\text {measure on piece of rock }}$ <br> borehole

$\{$ lithosphere

## average heat flow of Earth

$$
q=0.06 \frac{W}{m^{2}}
$$




## $t_{E}=5.6$ billion years

back of the envelope estimate of age of the Earth
neglects radioactive heating
dependent on $\Delta T_{0}=1500$ (melting point of mantle rocks)
assumes lithosphere doesn't thicken with time

Back to the rod

$$
\begin{aligned}
\rho c_{p} \frac{d \Delta T}{d t} & =k \frac{d^{2} \Delta T}{d x^{2}} \\
\frac{d \Delta T}{d t} & =\kappa \frac{d^{2} \Delta T}{d x^{2}} \quad \kappa=\frac{k}{\rho c_{p}}
\end{aligned}
$$

thermal diffusivity

Back to the rod

$$
\frac{d \Delta T}{d t}=\kappa \frac{d^{2} \Delta T}{d x^{2}}
$$

away from the ends of the bar, at time, $t=$ now


higher or lower?
narrower or wider?
center position?


## higher or lower? lower narrower or wider? wider center position? <br> same



$$
\begin{gathered}
\Delta T=\frac{Q_{0}}{2 \pi \rho c_{p} \sqrt{2 \kappa t}} \exp \left\{-\frac{x^{2}}{4 \kappa t}\right\} \\
\Delta T \xrightarrow{t=0} \begin{array}{c}
t=\text { now } \\
t=\text { later }
\end{array}
\end{gathered}
$$




Bell Curve or Gaussian Curve or Normal Curve

$$
f(x)=\frac{1}{\sqrt{2 \pi \sigma}} \exp \left\{-\frac{x^{2}}{2 \sigma^{2}}\right\}
$$

width or standard deviation
in the cooling formula, width grows as $\sigma=\sqrt{2 \kappa t}$ area under Bell Curve $f(x)$ is 1
area under $\rho c_{p} \Delta T(x)$ is $Q_{0}$ is constant; "heat is conserved"

put in words?


## put in words?

initially widens very quickly, then slows down
then slows way down



Time to double width ... proxy for time to cool significantly

$$
\begin{array}{lll}
\sigma_{1}=\sqrt{2 \kappa t_{1}} & \sigma_{1}^{2}=2 \kappa t_{1} & t_{1}=\frac{\sigma_{1}^{2}}{2 \kappa} \\
2 \sigma_{1}=\sqrt{2 \kappa t_{2}} & 4 \sigma_{1}^{2}=2 \kappa t_{2} & t_{2}=\frac{2 \sigma_{1}^{2}}{\kappa} \\
t_{2}-t_{1}=\frac{2 \sigma_{1}^{2}}{\kappa}-\frac{\sigma_{1}^{2}}{2 \kappa}=\frac{3 \sigma_{1}^{2}}{2 \kappa} &
\end{array}
$$

## Time to double width

$$
\Delta t=t_{2}-t_{1}=\frac{3 \rho c_{p} \sigma_{1}^{2}}{2 k}
$$

for $\sigma_{1}=1 \mathrm{~m}$ Bell Curve of hot rock (a "dike")

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\begin{aligned}
& \rho=2500 \mathrm{~kg} / \mathrm{m}^{3} \quad \Delta t=\frac{3 \rho c_{p} \sigma_{1}^{2}}{2 k}=\frac{3 \times 2500 \times 800 \times 1}{2 \times 3.1} \\
& k=3.1 \mathrm{~J} / \mathrm{sm}^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \\
& c_{p}=800 \mathrm{~J} / \mathrm{kg}^{\circ} \mathrm{C}
\end{aligned}
$$

## $\Delta t=968000 \mathrm{~s}$

 about 11 days