

THE PHOTON POWER AND STEFAN-BOLTZMANN RADIATION LAW

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In the lecture “About the calculation of the photon power”, according to the world-famous formula of Planck and to the model of the photon, which was suggested in the applications [2, 3], the formula for the practical determination of the power of a light particle was derived:

$$P = hf^2 \quad (1)$$

The figure 1 presents the model of the heat transfer, when a photon beam reaches the body. After the collision with the surface, a part of the radiation q_{ref} is reflected, another part is converted into the heat energy. That process we could present, hereby:

$$Q = \varepsilon \cdot P = \varepsilon \cdot hf^2 \quad (2)$$

The useful heat power could be found on the other way that was used in [1]:

$$Q = -\frac{dE_h}{dt} \quad (3)$$

whereby the heat energy E_h could be printed with the equation:

$$E_h = k \cdot T \quad (4)$$

The solution of the eq. (3) together with (4) leads to the expression:

$$-\frac{dE_h}{dt} = -\frac{d(kT)}{dt} = -c \cdot \frac{d(kT)}{d\lambda} \quad (5)$$

If we now will use the well-known Wien displacement law - $\beta = \lambda T = const$ (6)

we could express:

$$Q = -\frac{dE_h}{dt} = -kc \frac{d\left(\frac{\beta}{\lambda}\right)}{d\lambda} = \beta kc \frac{1}{\lambda^2} \quad (7)$$

According to the eq. (2), the heat power can be presented in such form, too:

$$Q = \varepsilon \cdot hf^2 = \varepsilon h \frac{c^2}{\lambda^2} \quad (8)$$

As we know, for the calculation of the heat radiation density q we should determinate the effective area of the taken place process - A . From the presented model (Fig. 1) we will proceed on the assumption that the area is depended on the photon size. On the next step the effective radius of

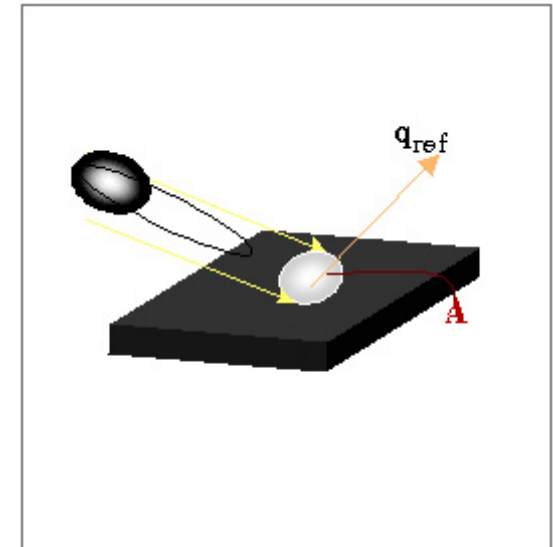


Fig. 1 Heat Radiation Model

the photon should be estimated. The EFBR researches, have shown that the photon radius equals the wavelength, approximately. In this case we can write:

$$\begin{aligned} r &\approx \lambda \\ A &= \pi\lambda^2 \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

The eq. (8) and (9) lead to the formula:

$$q = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{Q}{\pi\lambda^2} = \varepsilon h \frac{c^2}{\pi\lambda^4} \quad (10)$$

The coefficient ε can be found by the use of the eq. (7) and (8)

$$\varepsilon = \frac{\beta k}{hc} = \text{const} \quad (11)$$

With the value of the used constants $\beta = 2.8977686 \times 10^{-3}$, $k = 1.3806503 \times 10^{-23}$, $h = 6.62606876 \times 10^{-34}$, $c = 2.99792458 \times 10^8$, we receive: $\varepsilon = 0.201405234$. The use of the Wien displacement law and the expression of the constant ε (11) in eq. (10) led to the formula, finally:

$$q = \frac{\varepsilon h c^2}{\pi \beta^4} T^4 = \frac{k c}{\pi \beta^3} T^4 = \text{const} \cdot T^4 = 5.4145630536 \times 10^{-08} T^4 \text{ (W/m}^2\text{)} \quad (12)$$

The relative difference between the derived formula (12) and the well-known Stefan - Boltzmann law is less than 5% (4,51%).

Conclusion:

- *The good agreement between the derived formula and the well-known Stefan - Boltzmann law let us conclude that the formula for the calculation of the photon power as well as the presented heat radiation model are correct.*
- *The radiation model could be used in the future theoretical and experimental research as well as engineering calculations*
- *The photon radius has been determined.*

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