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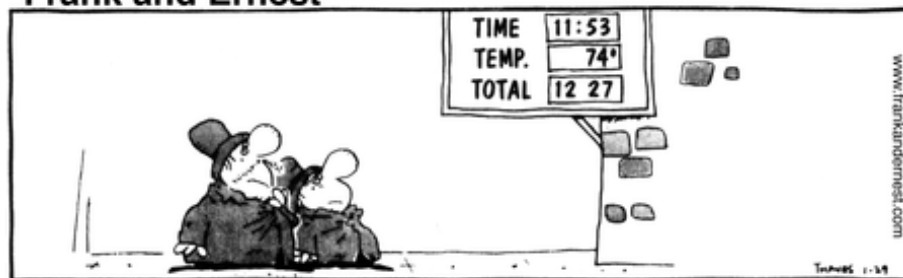
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*Too Darn Hot*

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*Frank & Ernest*

**Frank and Ernest**



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“The kind of motion  
we call heat”



- We have a natural sense of hot and cold.
- In the 19<sup>th</sup> century it was learned that the warmth of an object was a measure of a kind of random internal motion of the object's atoms.
- It was found that there was a surprisingly large amount of “hidden” energy that objects possessed as a result of their temperature – and that under the right conditions, this energy could be put to work.

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### Real-World Intuition 1:



- If we have a cup of hot water and a cup of cold water and we put them aside for a while, what will happen to them?



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### Real-World Intuition 2

How do objects exchange hot and cold?



- When two amounts of water at different temperatures are combined, they come to a temperature somewhere in between.
- We expect that the amount of each kind of water determines the final temperature.
- Try it!
  - Case 1: Equal amounts of water
  - Case 2: Different amounts of water

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## Two Objects of the Same Kind but Different Temperatures



Physical idea:  
The bigger mass changes  
temp less in proportion.

$$\frac{m_1}{m_2} = \frac{\Delta T_2}{\Delta T_1}$$

the changes in  
temp are opposite—  
one goes up  
the other goes down

$$m_1 \Delta T_1 = -m_2 \Delta T_2 \quad \leftarrow$$

$$m_1(T_f - T_1) = m_2(T_2 - T_f)$$

$$m_1 T_f - m_1 T_1 = m_2 T_2 - m_2 T_f$$

$$m_1 T_f + m_2 T_f = m_1 T_1 + m_2 T_2$$

$$T_f = \frac{m_1 T_1 + m_2 T_2}{m_1 + m_2} = \left( \frac{m_1}{M} \right) T_1 + \left( \frac{m_2}{M} \right) T_2$$

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## Implications

- From the equation  $m_1 \Delta T_1 = -m_2 \Delta T_2$ 
  - it looks like something is being transferred from the hot object to the cold object
  - it looks like temperature is kind of a “density of hotness.” You have to multiply by the mass to get the “amount of hotness” transferred.
- We will call the thing being transferred “thermal energy.”

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## What if we have different kinds of stuff?

- What happens if we have equal masses of water and something else — a copper cylinder, say?
- What's your intuition here?
  - Will the temperature settle down to halfway between?
  - Will it be closer to the water's temperature?
  - Will it be closer to the copper's temperature?
- Try it!

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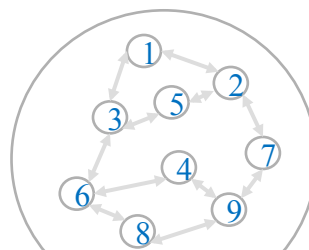
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## WHERE IS THE ENERGY INSIDE AN OBJECT?

Example: An object with 9 atoms.

- Each atom carries energy  
(motion of atom plus interactions WITHIN the atom )
- Each interaction line carries potential energy

Object A



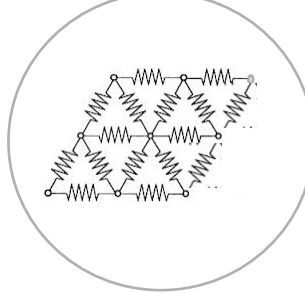
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## More concrete for 9 atoms

Object A



spring-like interaction potentials between atoms

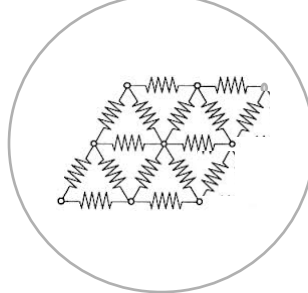
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## Temperature and Energy

Object A



- **Temperature:** Measures the average amount of energy in each atom or interaction – the key concept is that thermal energy is (on the average) equally distributed among all these possible locations where energy could reside.
- **Internal Energy of object A :** Measures the TOTAL energy in the whole object. Depends on temperature and the number of locations where energy could reside (“degrees of freedom”).

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- You can have two objects with the same mass but a different number of atoms or a different number of interactions!



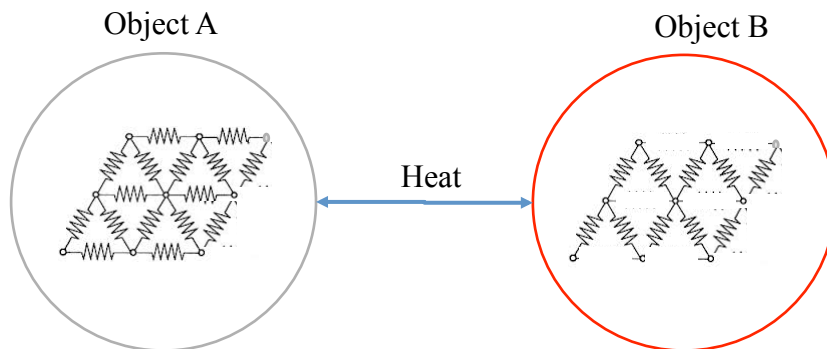
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## Interaction between two objects?

When two objects touch and are brought to the same temperature: There are **fewer** places to store the energy in object B, so to get object B to the same temperature we need **less** energy than for object A



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## Thermal Energy is NOT Temperature

- Even if the masses are the same, the temperature does not wind up halfway between.
- Each kind of material translates thermal energy into temperature in its own way.

$$m_1 c_1 \Delta T_1 = -m_2 c_2 \Delta T_2$$

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## Specific Heat and Heat Capacity

- The amount of thermal energy needed to produce one degree of temperature change in an object is called its heat capacity.

$$Q = C\Delta T$$

- The amount of thermal energy per unit mass needed to produce one degree of temperature change in an object is called its specific heat.

$$C = mc$$

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## Scales and Units

- 1 cal = the amount of thermal energy needed to change the temperature of 1 gm of water by 1 degree C (from 14.5° to 15.5°) (by definition)
- 1 Cal = 1000 cal
- 1 Cal = 4184 J

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## Reinterpreting Our Results

When two objects at different temperature are put together, thermal energy flows from the hotter body to the colder body until their temperatures are the same. (0<sup>th</sup> Law)

$$Q = m_1 c_1 \Delta T_1 = m_1 c_1 (T_f - T_1^i)$$

$$-Q = m_2 c_2 \Delta T_2 = m_2 c_2 (T_f - T_2^i)$$

$$m_1 c_1 (T_f - T_1^i) = -m_2 c_2 (T_f - T_2^i)$$

$$m_1 c_1 (T_f - T_1) = m_2 c_2 (T_2 - T_f)$$

$$T_f = \left( \frac{m_1 c_1}{m_1 c_1 + m_2 c_2} \right) T_1 + \left( \frac{m_2 c_2}{m_1 c_1 + m_2 c_2} \right) T_2$$

$$T_f = \left( \frac{C_1}{C_1 + C_2} \right) T_1 + \left( \frac{C_2}{C_1 + C_2} \right) T_2$$

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## Foothold ideas: 1



- Temperature is a measure of how hot or cold something is. (We have a natural physical sense of hot and cold.)
- When two objects are left in contact for long enough they come to the same temperature.
- When two objects of the same material but different temperatures are put together they reach an average, weighted by the fraction of the total mass.
- The mechanism responsible for the above rule is that the same thermal energy is transferred from one object to the other:  $Q$  proportional to  $m\Delta T$ .

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## Foothold ideas: 2



- When two objects of different materials and different temperatures are put together they come to a common temperature, but it is not obtained by the simple rule.
- Each object translates thermal energy into temperature in its own way. This is specified by a density-like quantity,  $c$ , the specific heat.
- The heat capacity of an object is  $C = mc$ .
- When two objects of different material and different temperatures are put together they reach an average, weighted by the fraction of the total heat capacity.
- When heat is absorbed or emitted by an object  $Q = \pm mc\Delta T$

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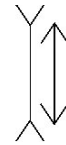
## *Real-World Intuition 1:* **Reconsidered**



- If we have a cup of hot water and a cup of cold water and we put them aside for a while, what will happen to them?



- If you touch the cloth part of your chair and the metal part, which feels warmer?



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