

According to Stefan's law of radiation, a black body radiates energy  $\sigma T^4$  from its unit surface area every second where  $T$  is the surface temperature of the black body and  $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/m}^2\text{K}^4$  is known as Stefan's constant. A nuclear weapon may be thought of as a ball of radius 0.5 m. When detonated, it reaches temperature of  $10^6\text{K}$  and can be treated as a black body.

- (a) Estimate the power it radiates.
- (b) If surrounding has water at  $30^\circ\text{C}$ , how much water can 10% of the energy produced evaporate in 1 s?

$$[S_w = 4186.0 \text{ J/kgK} \quad \text{and} \quad L_v = 22.6 \times 10^5 \text{ J/kg}]$$

- (c) If all this energy  $U$  is in the form of radiation, corresponding momentum is  $p = U/c$ . How much momentum per unit time does it impart on unit area at a distance of 1 km?

Given ;  $\sigma = 5.67 \times 10^{-8} \text{ W/m}^2/\text{K}^4$  ,  $r = 0.5 \text{ m}$  ,  $T = 10^6 \text{ K}$

$E = \sigma T^4$  per second per sq. m

a) Total  $P =$  Total  $E$  radiated from all area ' $A$ ' per sec.

$$= \sigma A T^4$$

$$= (5.67 \times 10^{-8}) [4\pi (0.5)^2] (10^6)^4$$

$$\boxed{P \approx 18 \times 10^{16} \text{ watt}}$$

$$(b) 10\% \text{ of total } P \Rightarrow \frac{10}{100} \times 1.8 \times 10^{16} \Rightarrow 1.8 \times 10^{15} \text{ J/s}$$

$$S_w = 4186 \text{ J/KgK} \quad ; \quad L_v = 22.5 \times 10^5 \text{ J/Kg}$$

Now, E required by 'm' kg of water at 30°C to evaporate at 100°C = E required to heat water from 30°C to 100°C + E required to evaporate water to vapour.

$$= m S_w \Delta T + m L_v$$

$$1.8 \times 10^{15} = m [4186 (100 - 30) + 22.6 \times 10^5]$$

$$\Rightarrow m = \frac{1.8 \times 10^{15}}{25.5 \times 10^5}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \boxed{m \approx 7 \times 10^9 \text{ Kg}}$$

(c) Now, momentum per unit time ( $p'$ ) =  $\frac{U}{c}$

$$[c = 3 \times 10^8 \text{ m/s (speed of light)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow p' = \frac{1.8 \times 10^{17}}{3 \times 10^8}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{p' = 6 \times 10^9 \text{ Kg-m/s}^2}$$

Hence, ' $p'$ ' per unit time per unit area at a distance of 1 Km  $\Rightarrow \frac{p'}{A}$  ;  $\left. \begin{array}{l} A = 4\pi R^2 \\ R = 10^3 \text{ m. here} \end{array} \right\}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{6 \times 10^9}{4\pi (10^3)^2}$$

$$4\pi (10^3)^2$$

$$= \boxed{47.77 \frac{\text{Kg-m/s}}{\text{m}^2}}$$