Heat Transfer between Parallel Plates with Arbitrary Surface Accommodation. * J. R. THOMAS, Jr., T. S. CHANG, and C. E. SIEWERT, North Carolina State U .--The coupled pair of linear integro-differential equations arising from the decomposition of the linearized Bhatnager-Gross-Krook equation in the kinetic theory of gases has recently been treated by the singular eigenfunction expansion technique 1. The present paper reports an application of the technique to the problem of heat transfer between parallel plates with arbitrary surface accommodation. A coupled pair of Fredholm equations is derived, and rapidly convergent iterative solutions are constructed. These solutions are then used to obtain accurate values of the heat flux between the plates and the temperature and density profiles, for various values of the accommodation coefficient, and inverse Knudsen number. Numerical results are presented and compared to the variational solutions of Bassanini, Cercignani, and Pagani2.

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