

PHY240 Thermodynamics and Modern Physics

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Total 50 points

Due October 3, 2012

Chp 1: First Law of Thermodynamics (5 points)

Question 1(a) A 5-gallon container of water (approximately 20 kg) having a temperature of 212°F is added to a 50-gallon tub (approximately 200 kg) of water having a temperature of 50°F. What is the final equilibrium temperature (in °C) of the mixture?

- a. 54
- b. 36
- c. 18
- d. 66
- e. 14

ANS: C

Question 1(b) (15 points)

30. A gas is taken through the cyclic process described in Figure P20.30. (a) Find the net energy transferred to the system by heat during one complete cycle. (b) **What If?** If the cycle is reversed—that is, the process follows the path *ACBA*—what is the net energy input per cycle by heat?

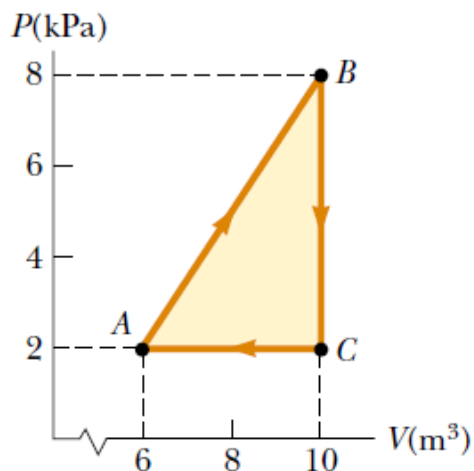


Figure P20.30 Problems 30 and 31.

P20.30 (a) $Q = -W = \text{Area of triangle}$

$$Q = 1/2 (4.00 \text{ m}^3)(6.00 \text{ kPa}) = 12.0 \text{ kJ}$$

(b) $Q = -W = -12.0 \text{ kJ}$

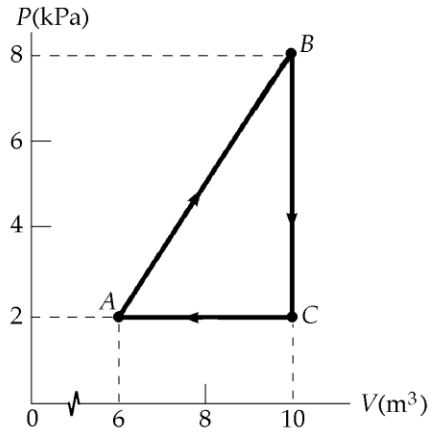


FIG. P20.30

Chp 2: Kinetic Theory of Gases (15 points)

34. A certain molecule has f degrees of freedom. Show that an ideal gas consisting of such molecules has the following properties: (1) its total internal energy is $fnRT/2$; (2) its molar specific heat at constant volume is $fR/2$; (3) its molar specific heat at constant pressure is $(f + 2)R/2$; (4) its specific heat ratio is $= C_p/C_v = (f + 2)/f$.

35. In a crude model (Fig. P21.35) of a rotating diatomic molecule of chlorine (Cl_2), the two Cl atoms are 2.00×10^{-10} m apart and rotate about their center of mass with angular speed $\omega = 2.00 \times 10^{12}$ rad/s. What is the rotational kinetic energy of one molecule of Cl_2 , which has a molar mass of 70.0 g/mol?

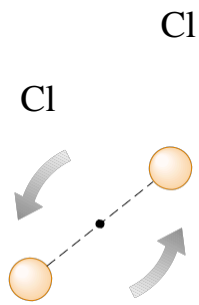


Figure P21.35

P21.34 (1) $E_{\text{int}} = Nf\left(\frac{k_B T}{2}\right) = f\left(\frac{nRT}{2}\right)$

(2) $C_V = \frac{1}{n}\left(\frac{dE_{\text{int}}}{dT}\right) = \frac{1}{2}fR$

(3) $C_P = C_V + R = \frac{1}{2}(f + 2)R$

(4) $\gamma = \frac{C_P}{C_V} = \frac{f + 2}{f}$

P21.35 Rotational Kinetic Energy = $\frac{1}{2}I\omega^2$

$I = 2mr^2, m = 35.0 \times 1.67 \times 10^{-27} \text{ kg}, r = 10^{-10} \text{ m}$

$I = 1.17 \times 10^{-45} \text{ kg} \cdot \text{m}^2 \quad \omega = 2.00 \times 10^{12} \text{ s}^{-1}$

$\therefore K_{\text{rot}} = \frac{1}{2}I\omega^2 = \boxed{2.33 \times 10^{-21} \text{ J}}$

Chp 3: Entropy and Second Law of Thermodynamics (15 points)

20. A 20.0%-efficient real engine is used to speed up a train from rest to 5.00 m/s. It is known that an ideal (Carnot) engine using the same cold and hot reservoirs would accelerate the same train from rest to a speed of 6.50 m/s using the same amount of fuel. The engines use air at 300 K as a cold reservoir. Find the temperature of the steam serving as the hot reservoir.

Solution:

P22.20 The work output is $W_{\text{eng}} = \frac{1}{2} m_{\text{train}} (5.00 \text{ m/s})^2$.

We are told $e = \frac{W_{\text{eng}}}{Q_h}$

$$0.200 = \frac{1}{2} m_t \frac{(5.00 \text{ m/s})^2}{Q_h}$$

and $e_C = 1 - \frac{300 \text{ K}}{T_h} = \frac{1}{2} m_t \frac{(6.50 \text{ m/s})^2}{Q_h}$.

Substitute $Q_h = \frac{1}{2} m_t \frac{(5.00 \text{ m/s})^2}{0.200}$.

$$\text{Then, } 1 - \frac{300 \text{ K}}{T_h} = 0.200 \left(\frac{\frac{1}{2} m_t (6.50 \text{ m/s})^2}{\frac{1}{2} m_t (5.00 \text{ m/s})^2} \right)$$

$$1 - \frac{300 \text{ K}}{T_h} = 0.338$$

$$T_h = \frac{300 \text{ K}}{0.662} = \boxed{453 \text{ K}}$$