

1. A (non-insulated) cylinder with a movable piston initially contains air with density, ρ_1 , and pressure, P_1 . The piston is slowly raised simultaneously decreasing the density, ρ , and increasing the pressure, P , with heat passing through the walls of the cylinder so that at every instant P and ρ are related by the equation

$$P = k/\rho,$$

in which k is a constant.

- Write an expression for the initial temperature of the gas, T_1 .
[Give your answer in terms of P_1 , ρ_1 , and R_a .]
- Express the constant k in P_1 , T_1 , and R_a .
- Find an expression for the temperature when the density has halved to $\rho_1/2$.
[Give your answer in terms of T_1]

$$a) P = \rho R_a T \Rightarrow \boxed{T_1 = \frac{P_1}{\rho_1 R_a}}$$

$$b) k = P_1 \rho_1 = P_1 \left(\frac{P_1}{R_a T_1} \right) = \boxed{\frac{P_1^2}{R_a T_1}}$$

$$c) \text{ IF } \rho_2 = \frac{\rho_1}{2} \Rightarrow P_2 = k/\rho_2 = k/(\rho_1/2) = 2k/\rho_1$$

$$\text{USE b) } \Rightarrow P_2 = 2 \left(\frac{P_1^2}{R_a T_1} \right) \frac{1}{\rho_1} = 2P_1$$

$$\text{So } T_2 = \frac{P_2}{R_a \rho_2} = \frac{2P_1}{R_a (\rho_1/2)} = 4 \left(\frac{P_1}{R_a \rho_1} \right) = \boxed{4T_1}$$

2. As a radiosonde balloon rises, it finds the temperature is constant (T_0) as the pressure changes from P_1 to $P_2 < P_1$. What is the vertical distance between the two pressure levels, P_2 and P_1 ?
[Give your answer in terms of T_0 , P_1 , P_2 , R_a and g .]

USE HYDROSTATIC BALANCE $\frac{dp}{dz} = -\rho g = -\frac{g}{R_a T_0} P$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{P} dP = -\frac{g}{R_a T_0} dz$$

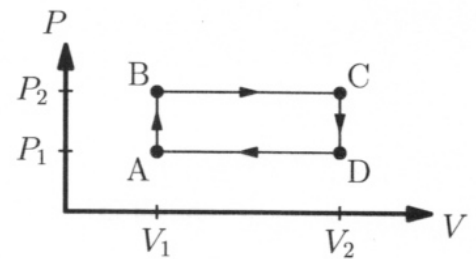
INTEGRATE BOTH SIDES FROM P_1 TO P_2 WHERE HEIGHT GOES FROM Z_1 TO Z_2

$$\Rightarrow \int_{P_1}^{P_2} \frac{1}{P} dP = -\frac{g}{\underbrace{R_a T_0}_{\text{CONSTANT}}} \int_{Z_1}^{Z_2} dz \Rightarrow \ln P \Big|_{P_1}^{P_2} = -\frac{g}{R_a T_0} (Z_2 - Z_1)$$

SO DISTANCE BETWEEN P_2 AND P_1 IS

$$Z_2 - Z_1 = -\frac{R_a T_0}{g} [\ln(P_2) - \ln(P_1)] = \boxed{\frac{R_a T_0}{g} \ln(P_1/P_2)}$$

3. Suppose an ideal gas operates in a heat engine with a 4-step cycle: isochoric for $A \rightarrow B$ and $C \rightarrow D$; isobaric for $B \rightarrow C$ and $D \rightarrow A$. Its PV diagram is shown to the right. The pressure along BC is twice the pressure along DA : $P_2 = 2P_1$. The volume along CD is three times the volume along AB : $V_2 = 3V_1$.



- What is the total work performed by this engine?
- What is the total heat input to the engine?
- Evaluate the efficiency of this engine.

[Give your answers in terms of any or all of P_1 , V_1 and the adiabatic constant γ .]

a) WORK IS AREA OF PV DIAGRAM

$$W = (P_2 - P_1)(V_2 - V_1) = (2P_1 - P_1)(3V_1 - V_1) = \boxed{2P_1V_1}$$

b) HEAT IN AN ISOCHORIC PROCESS IS $\Delta Q = C_V \Delta T$
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$$Q_{AB} = C_V(T_B - T_A) = C_V \left(\frac{P_2 V_1}{nR} - \frac{P_1 V_1}{nR} \right) = \frac{C_V}{nR} V_1 (P_2 - P_1)$$

$P_2 > P_1$, SO THIS IS HEAT IN

$$Q_{BC} = C_P(T_C - T_B) = C_P \left(\frac{P_2 V_2}{nR} - \frac{P_2 V_1}{nR} \right) = \frac{C_P}{nR} P_2 (V_2 - V_1)$$

$V_2 > V_1$, SO THIS IS ALSO HEAT IN

WHEN PRESSURE OR VOLUME DROPS HEAT GOES OUT ($Q_{CD} < 0$, $Q_{DA} < 0$)

SO TOTAL HEAT IN IS

$$Q_{IN} = \frac{C_V}{nR} V_1 (P_2 - P_1) + \frac{C_P}{nR} P_2 (V_2 - V_1)$$

$$\text{USE } C_P - C_V = nR \text{ + } \gamma = \frac{C_P}{C_V} \Rightarrow \frac{C_V}{nR} = \frac{C_V}{C_P - C_V} = \frac{1}{\gamma - 1}, \quad \frac{C_P}{nR} = \frac{C_P}{C_P - C_V} = \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow Q_{IN} &= \frac{1}{\gamma - 1} V_1 (P_2 - P_1) + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} P_2 (V_2 - V_1) = \frac{1}{\gamma - 1} V_1 (2P_1 - P_1) + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} 2P_1 (3V_1 - V_1) \\ &= \frac{1}{\gamma - 1} V_1 P_1 + \frac{\gamma}{\gamma - 1} 4V_1 P_1 = \boxed{\frac{1 + 4\gamma}{\gamma - 1} V_1 P_1} \end{aligned}$$

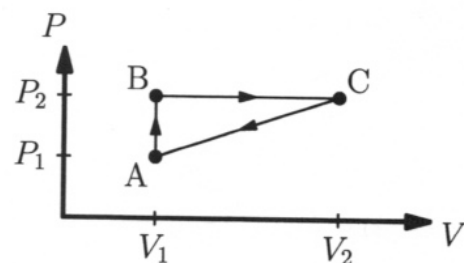
$$c) \text{ EFFICIENCY} = \frac{W}{Q_{IN}} = \frac{2P_1V_1}{\left(\frac{1+4\gamma}{\gamma-1}\right)P_1V_1} = \boxed{\frac{2(\gamma-1)}{1+4\gamma}}$$

4. Consider the triangular PV cycle shown to the right. Here, $P_2 = 2P_1$ and $V_2 = 3V_1$.

Find the change in entropy over each part of the cycle.

I.e. find ΔS_{AB} for $A \rightarrow B$, ΔS_{BC} for $B \rightarrow C$, and ΔS_{CA} for $C \rightarrow A$.

[Give your answers in terms of C_v and the adiabatic constant γ .]



IN AN ISOCHORIC PROCESS $C_v dT = \delta Q = T dS \Rightarrow dS = C_v \frac{1}{T} dT$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \Delta S_{AB} &= C_v \int_{T_A}^{T_B} \frac{1}{T} dT = C_v \ln T \Big|_{T_A}^{T_B} = C_v \ln(T_B/T_A) \\ &= C_v \ln \left[\frac{P_2 V_1 / nR}{P_1 V_1 / nR} \right] = C_v \ln \left(\frac{P_2}{P_1} \right) = \boxed{C_v \ln(2)} \end{aligned}$$

IN AN ISOBARIC PROCESS $C_p dT = \delta Q = T dS \Rightarrow dS = C_p \frac{1}{T} dT$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So } \Delta S_{BC} &= C_p \int_{T_B}^{T_C} \frac{1}{T} dT = C_p \ln(T_C/T_B) = C_p \ln \left(\frac{P_2 V_2 / nR}{P_2 V_1 / nR} \right) \\ &= C_p \ln \left(\frac{V_2}{V_1} \right) = \boxed{\gamma C_v \ln(3)} \end{aligned}$$

CAN FIND ΔS_{CA} ONE OF 2 WAYS:

$$1) S \text{ IS A STATE VARIABLE } \Rightarrow \oint dS = 0 \Rightarrow \Delta S_{AB} + \Delta S_{BC} + \Delta S_{CA} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta S_{CA} = -\Delta S_{AB} - \Delta S_{BC} = -C_v \ln(2) - \gamma C_v \ln(3)$$

$$\boxed{\Delta S_{CA} = -C_v [\ln(2) + \gamma \ln(3)]}$$

$$2) dU = T dS - P dV \Rightarrow dS = \frac{C_v dT}{T} + \frac{P dV}{T}$$

$$\text{BUT } \frac{P}{T} = \frac{nR}{V} \Rightarrow dS = C_v \frac{1}{T} dT + nR \frac{1}{V} dV$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta S_{CA} = C_v \int_{T_C}^{T_A} \frac{1}{T} dT + nR \int_{V_C}^{V_A} \frac{1}{V} dV$$

$$= C_v \ln \left(\frac{T_A}{T_C} \right) + nR \ln \left(\frac{V_A}{V_C} \right)$$

$$= C_v \ln \left(\frac{P_1 V_1 / nR}{P_2 V_2 / nR} \right) + (C_p - C_v) \ln \left(\frac{V_1}{V_2} \right)$$

$$= C_v \left[\ln \left(\frac{1}{6} \right) + \gamma \ln \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) - \ln \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) \right]$$

$$= C_v \left[\ln \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) + \gamma \ln \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) \right] = \boxed{-C_v [\ln(2) + \gamma \ln(3)]}$$