

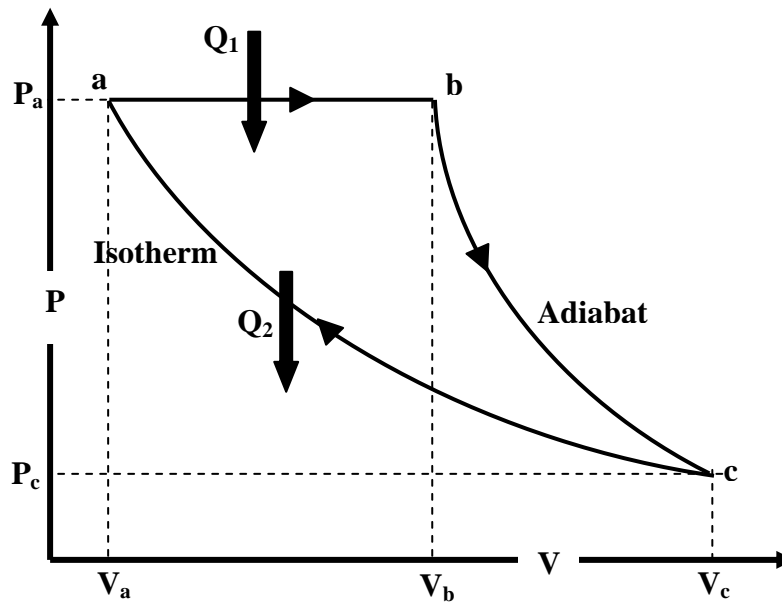
**THERMAL AND KINETIC PHYSICS 2010, (PHY 214)**

**Outline Solutions to Coursework 5 :**

**Week 5**

**QUESTION 1: (20 marks)** This is a standard engine analysis question.

a) The P - V diagram looks like this:



**[3mks]**

b) First Law applied to a → b process

$$\Delta U_{ab} = \Delta Q_{ab} + \Delta W_{ab}$$

$$\frac{3}{2}(P_b V_b - P_a V_a) = Q_1 - \int_a^b P dV = Q_1 - P_a \int_a^b dV = Q_1 - P_a (V_b - V_a)$$

Since P is constant on a → b,  $P = P_a$ ,

Therefore

$$Q_1 = \frac{5}{2} P_a (V_b - V_a) \quad \text{[3mks]}$$

First Law applied to the process c → a

$$\Delta U_{ca} = \Delta Q_{ca} + \Delta W_{ca}$$

Because c → a is an isothermal process  $U_{ca} = 0$  and the First Law becomes

$$0 = -Q_2 - \int_c^a P dV$$

noting that the heat flow  $Q_2$  is OUT of the system and so enters the First Law with a minus sign. We may use the equation of state on the isotherm to write

$$0 = -Q_2 - \int_c^a \frac{nRT}{V} dV = -Q_2 - nRT_a \int_{V_c}^{V_a} \frac{dV}{V} = -Q_2 - nRT_a \ln\left(\frac{V_a}{V_c}\right)$$

Hence, since  $nRT_a = P_a V_a$  (the equation of state)

$$Q_2 = -P_a V_a \ln\left(\frac{V_a}{V_c}\right) = P_a V_a \ln\left(\frac{V_c}{V_a}\right) \quad \text{[3mks]}$$

c) For the efficiency we have

$$\eta_E = 1 - \frac{Q_2}{Q_1} = 1 - \frac{P_a V_a \ln \frac{V_c}{V_a}}{\frac{5}{2} P_a (V_b - V_a)} = 1 - \frac{2 \ln\left(\frac{V_c}{V_a}\right)}{5 \left(\frac{V_b}{V_a} - 1\right)} \quad \text{[1mk]}$$

Along the isotherm  $c \rightarrow a$  the equation of state gives us

$$P_a V_a = nRT = P_c V_c,$$

Hence

$$\frac{V_c}{V_a} = \frac{P_a}{P_c}$$

Along the adiabat  $b \rightarrow c$  we have

$$P_b V_b^{5/3} = P_c V_c^{5/3} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \left(\frac{V_b}{V_c}\right)^{5/3} = \frac{P_c}{P_b} \quad \text{[2mks]}$$

Hence

$$\frac{V_b}{V_c} = \left(\frac{P_c}{P_b}\right)^{3/5} = \left(\frac{P_c}{P_a}\right)^{3/5}$$

To handle the ratio  $\frac{V_b}{V_a}$  we now write

$$\frac{V_b}{V_a} = \frac{V_b}{V_c} \frac{V_c}{V_a} = \left(\frac{P_c}{P_a}\right)^{3/5} \frac{P_a}{P_c} = \left(\frac{P_a}{P_c}\right)^{2/5} = \left(\frac{P_a}{P_c}\right)^{1-1/\gamma} \quad \text{[1mk]}$$

Putting it all together gives for the efficiency

$$\eta_E = 1 - \frac{2}{5} \frac{\ln\left(\frac{P_a}{P_c}\right)}{\left(\frac{P_a}{P_c}\right)^{1-1/\gamma} - 1} \quad \text{[1mk]}$$

d) To increase  $\eta_E$  we must increase the high pressure  $P_a$ .

$$\eta_E^{Max} = 1 - \frac{2}{5} \frac{\ln 32}{(32)^{2/5} - 1} = 1 - \frac{2}{5} \frac{\ln 32}{3} = 0.54 \quad \text{[2mks]}$$

Max rate of working is given by

$$\eta_E^{Max} (\text{Rate of heat supply}) = 0.54 \times 5 \text{ kW} = 2.7 \text{ kW}. \quad \text{[2mk]}$$

One could say two things at least to the environmentalist. First, that the Second Law of Thermodynamics tells us that there must always be some waste heat. **[1mk]**

Secondly, the magnitude of the waste heat is  $Q_2 = (1 - \eta_E)Q_1$ . Thus to reduce the waste heat, we must invest in research in materials to enable the engine to run at the highest possible pressure  $P_a$ , thus improving the efficiency. **[1mk]**

## QUESTION 2: (20 Marks)

a)

$$\Delta S = \int_i^f \frac{dQ_R}{T} = \int_{T_i}^{T_f} mc_P \frac{dT}{T} = mc_P \int_{T_i}^{T_f} \frac{dT}{T} = mc_P \ln\left(\frac{T_f}{T_i}\right)$$

$$\Delta S = 5kg \times 4.2 \times 10^3 J kg^{-1} K^{-1} \ln\left(\frac{278.15}{298.15}\right) = -1455 J K^{-1} \quad [2mks]$$

b)

(i) Here we have water cooling again, just as in a) so

$$\Delta S = mc_P \ln\left(\frac{T_f}{T_i}\right) = 10 \times 10^{-3} kg \times 4.2 \times 10^3 J kg^{-1} K^{-1} \ln\left(\frac{273.15}{373.15}\right) = -13.07 J K^{-1} \quad [2mks]$$

(ii) Freezing occurs with a loss of latent heat by the water while the temperature remains fixed, so

$$\Delta S = \int_i^f \frac{dQ_R}{T} = \frac{1}{T_{Freezing}} \int_{T_i}^{T_f} dQ_R = \frac{1}{T_{Freezing}} m \ell_{L \rightarrow S} = \frac{10g \times (-333 J g^{-1})}{273.15} = -12.19 J K^{-1} \quad [3mks]$$

c)

(i) Entropy as a function of state is defined by

$$dS = \frac{dQ_R}{T} \quad [1mk]$$

*or for finite change*

$$\Delta S = S_f - S_i = \int_i^f \frac{dQ_R}{T}$$

The entropy form of the Second Law states that for a thermally isolated system, the entropy can only increase or stay the same ( $\Delta S \geq 0$ ) but cannot decrease. For irreversible processes, the entropy increases ( $\Delta S > 0$ ) while for reversible processes it stays unchanged ( $\Delta S = 0$ ). [1mk]

(ii) The water will cool to 0 °C then freeze to ice at 0 °C and the ice will then cool to the ambient temperature of -5 °C when it is in equilibrium with the surroundings. [2mks]

(iii) The total entropy change of water is

$$\Delta S_{Tot}^{Water} = \Delta S_{Cooling}^{Water} + \Delta S_{Freezing}^{Water} + \Delta S_{Freezing}^{Ice} \quad [1mk]$$

Calculating each component in turn

$$\Delta S_{Cooling}^{Water} = mc_P^{Water} \ln\left(\frac{T_f^{Water}}{T_i^{Water}}\right) = 4 \text{ kg} \times 4.2 \times 10^3 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1} \ln \frac{273.15}{283.15} = -604 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

**[1mk]**

$$\Delta S_{Freezing}^{Water} = \frac{m\ell_{L \rightarrow S}}{T_{Freezing}} = \frac{4 \text{ kg} \times (-3.33 \times 10^5 \text{ J kg}^{-1})}{273.15} = -4876 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

**[2mks]**

$$\Delta S_{Cooling}^{Ice} = mc_P^{Ice} \ln\left(\frac{T_f^{Ice}}{T_i^{Ice}}\right) = 4 \text{ kg} \times 2.1 \times 10^3 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1} \ln \frac{268.15}{273.15} = -155 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

**[1mk]**

$$\Delta S_{Tot}^{Water} = \Delta S_{Cooling}^{Water} + \Delta S_{Freezing}^{Water} + \Delta S_{Freezing}^{Ice} = (-604 - 4876 - 155) \text{ J K}^{-1} = -5634 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

**[1mk]**

**NB Marks to be lost if signs are forgotten (including + sign)**

(iv)

The surroundings whilst remaining at 268.15 K will **receive heat from** the water as it cools and as it freezes and also as the ice freezes.

We begin by calculating the heat lost by the water in the three process

$$\Delta Q_{Tot}^{Water} = m\left(c_P^{Water} \Delta T_{Cooling}^{Water} + \ell_{L \rightarrow S} + c_P^{Ice} \Delta T_{Cooling}^{Ice}\right) = -1.542 \times 10^6 \text{ J}$$

**[1mk]**

The surroundings have received this heat at constant temperature and therefore

$$\Delta S_{Tot}^{Surr} = \frac{\Delta Q}{T_{Surr}} = \frac{1.542 \times 10^6 \text{ J}}{268.15 \text{ K}} = +5751 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

**[1mk]**

(v) The water plus its surroundings is a thermally isolated system for which the second law requires that

$$\Delta S = \Delta S_{Tot}^{Water} + \Delta S_{Tot}^{Surr} > 0$$

since we have an irreversible process. From the calculation above we have

$$\Delta S = -5634 \text{ J K}^{-1} + 5751 \text{ J K}^{-1} = +117 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

which is positive confirming that the second law is satisfied. **[1mk]**