

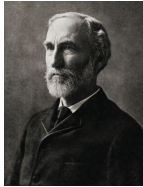
**NAME: SOLUTION**

AME 20231, Thermodynamics

Examination 1

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“Suppose the body to change its state, the points associated with the states through which the body passes will form a line, which we may call the *path* of the body.”  
*Transactions of the Connecticut Academy, II.*, pp. 309-342, April-May 1873.

Josiah Willard Gibbs, b. 11 February 1839, d. 28 April 1903  
Happy 181st Birthday, Prof. Gibbs!

1. (10) A box with  $V = 1 \text{ m}^3$  contains an ideal gas at  $P = 1 \text{ Pa}$  and  $T = 100 \text{ K}$ . Determine the number of moles in the box.

*Solution*

We use the ideal gas law

$$PV = n\bar{R}T.$$

Solve for  $n$ , the number of moles, to get

$$n = \frac{PV}{\bar{R}T} = \frac{(1 \text{ Pa})(1 \text{ m}^3)}{\left(8.3145 \frac{\text{J}}{\text{mol K}}\right)(100 \text{ K})} = \boxed{0.00120272 \text{ mol.}}$$

2. (10) A two-phase liquid-vapor mixture of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  at  $v = 0.013 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$  and  $T = 100^\circ\text{C}$  is heated isochorically until it is a single phase. Determine the final temperature and pressure of the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ . Determine if the final state is solid, liquid, or gas. Sketch the process in the  $T - v$  plane.

*Solution*

From the tables, we see the critical volume  $v_c = 0.00315 \text{ m}^3/\text{kg}$ . So we have  $v > v_c$ . If we heat isochorically under the dome, the temperature will rise until it reaches the saturated vapor dome. We see in the tables that that happens at

$$T = \boxed{330^\circ\text{C}}, \quad P = \boxed{12845 \text{ kPa.}}$$

The final state is **gas**. The appropriate sketch is given here in

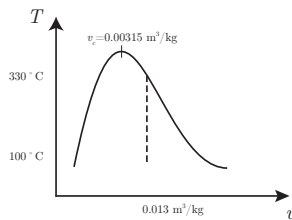


Figure 1: Sketch of isochoric heating of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (not to scale).

3. (20)  $\text{N}_2$  is at  $P = 2121 \text{ kPa}$ ,  $T = 140 \text{ K}$ .
- Find  $v$  with the ideal gas law.
  - Find  $v$  with the superheated nitrogen tables.
  - Find  $v$  with the compressibility chart, Fig. D.1.
  - Give an accurate sketch of the actual state of the  $\text{N}_2$  in the  $P-v$ ,  $T-v$ , and  $P-T$  planes. The state should be properly placed relative to the vapor domes and critical points, which should also be part of the sketch.

*Solution*

First use the ideal gas law.

$$v = \frac{RT}{P} = \frac{\left(0.2968 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg K}}\right) (140 \text{ K})}{2121 \text{ kPa}} = \boxed{0.0195908 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}}$$

We can interpolate Table B.6.2 between  $P = 2000 \text{ kPa}$  and  $P = 3000 \text{ kPa}$ . We get

$$v = \left(0.01752 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) + \left(\frac{0.01038 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}} - 0.01752 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}}{(3000 \text{ kPa}) - (2000 \text{ kPa})}\right) ((2121 \text{ kPa}) - (2000 \text{ kPa})) = \boxed{0.0166561 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}}$$

Next use the compressibility charts. We have  $P_c = 3397.8 \text{ kPa}$ ,  $T_c = 126.2 \text{ K}$ . So

$$P_r = \frac{2121 \text{ kPa}}{3397.8 \text{ kPa}} = 0.624227, \quad T_r = \frac{140 \text{ K}}{126.2 \text{ K}} = 1.10935.$$

Here we find  $Z \sim 0.8$ . Now  $Z = Pv/R/T$ , so

$$v = Z \frac{RT}{P} = 0.8 \frac{\left(0.2968 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg K}}\right) (140 \text{ K})}{2121 \text{ kPa}} = \boxed{0.0156726 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}}$$

The appropriate sketches are given here in

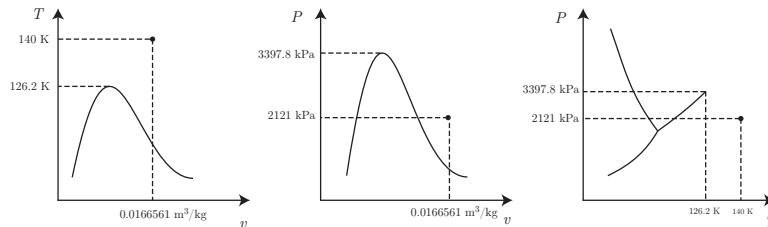


Figure 2: State of  $\text{N}_2$  in  $T-v$ ,  $P-v$ , and  $P-T$  planes (not to scale).

4. (30) An ideal gas of mass  $m$  and gas constant  $R$  at pressure  $P_1$  and temperature  $T_1$  is compressed in an isochoric process until  $T_2 = 2T_1$ . The gas is isothermally expanded back to  $P_3 = P_1$ . The gas then undergoes an isobaric process to return to  $P_1$  and  $T_1$ .
- Find  $P_2$  in terms of  $P_1$ ,  $T_1$ ,  $m$ , and  $R$ .
  - Find the work of each process in the cycle,  ${}_1W_2$ ,  ${}_2W_3$ , and  ${}_3W_1$  and  $W_{cycle}$  in terms of  $P_1$ ,  $T_1$ ,  $m$ , and  $R$ .

(c) Sketch the cycle in the  $P - v$  plane.

*Solution*

First, we see that

$$v_1 = \frac{RT_1}{P_1}.$$

Because  $1 \rightarrow 2$  is isochoric, we have

$$v_2 = v_1 = \frac{RT_1}{P_1}.$$

Also note that

$$\frac{P_2 v_2}{T_2} = \frac{P_1 v_1}{T_1},$$

so

$$P_2 = P_1 \frac{v_1 T_2}{v_2 T_1} = P_1 \frac{v_1 2T_1}{v_1 T_1},$$

$$\boxed{P_2 = 2P_1}.$$

For the isochoric process, we have

$$\boxed{{}_1W_2 = 0}.$$

Now we know that

$$T_3 = T_2 = 2T_1.$$

And we have  $P_3 = P_1$ , so

$$v_3 = \frac{RT_3}{P_3} = \frac{2RT_1}{P_1} = 2v_1 = 2v_2.$$

Thus  $v_3/v_2 = 2$ . For the isothermal process, we have

$${}_2W_3 = mRT_2 \ln \frac{v_3}{v_2} = \boxed{2mRT_1 \ln 2}.$$

For the isobaric process from 3 to 1, we have

$${}_3W_1 = mP_1(v_1 - v_3) = mP_1 v_1 \left(1 - \frac{v_3}{v_1}\right) = mRT_1 (1 - 2) = \boxed{-mRT_1}.$$

Therefore, the total work of the cycle is

$$W_{cycle} = 0 + 2mRT_1 \ln 2 - mRT_1.$$

$$\boxed{W_{cycle} = (2 \ln 2 - 1)mRT_1 = 0.386294mRT_1}.$$

Note that  $W_{cycle} > 0$ .

The appropriate sketch is given next.

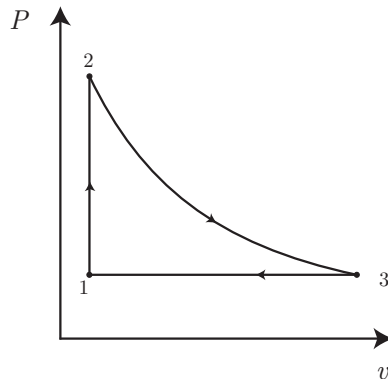


Figure 3: Sketch of cycle in  $P - v$  plane.

5. (30) A fixed mass,  $m = 10$  kg, of  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  is initially at  $P = 100$  kPa,  $x = 0.4$ . It undergoes a two-step process. The first step is an isobaric heating until  $T = 200^\circ\text{C}$ . The second step is an isothermal compression until  $P = 500$  kPa.
- Find  $v$  at the end of the isobaric heating.
  - Find the total work in the two-step process.
  - Sketch the two-step process, including the vapor domes and saturation lines, in the  $T - v$ ,  $P - v$ , and  $P - T$  planes.

### Solution

Table B.1.2, the saturated water pressure entry table helps us with state 1. At  $P_1 = 100$  kPa, we find  $v_{f1} = 0.001045$  m<sup>3</sup>/kg,  $v_{fg1} = 1.69296$  m<sup>3</sup>/kg. So

$$v_1 = v_{f1} + x_1 v_{fg1} = \left(0.001045 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) + (0.4) \left(1.69696 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) = 0.678227 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}.$$

Now when  $T_2 = 200^\circ\text{C}$  and  $P_2 = P_1 = 100$  kPa. The tables reveal state 2 is a superheated vapor with

$$v_2 = 2.17226 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}.$$

Now the work for the isobaric part of the process is straightforward,

$${}_1W_2 = mP_1(v_2 - v_1) = (10 \text{ kg})(100 \text{ kPa}) \left( \left(2.17226 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) - \left(0.678227 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) \right) = 1494.03 \text{ kJ}.$$

We need the path in  $P - v$  space to get the work for the isothermal compression. The points in the  $P - v$  plane on the  $T_2 = T_3 = 200^\circ\text{C}$  isotherm are found in the superheated water vapor tables. We find five points with values and those are

$$\begin{aligned} P_a = 100 \text{ kPa}, & \quad v_a = 2.17226 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}, \\ P_b = 200 \text{ kPa}, & \quad v_b = 1.08034 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}, \\ P_c = 300 \text{ kPa}, & \quad v_c = 0.71629 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}, \\ P_d = 400 \text{ kPa}, & \quad v_d = 0.53422 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}, \\ P_e = 500 \text{ kPa}, & \quad v_e = 0.42492 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}. \end{aligned}$$

Here state  $a$  is the 2 state and state  $e$  is the 3 state. As done in class, we approximate

$${}_2W_3 = m \int_2^3 P dv = m \sum P_{ave,i}(v_{i+1} - v_i).$$

Doing this, we get

$$\begin{aligned} {}_2W_3 &= \left(\frac{P_a + P_b}{2}\right)(v_b - v_a) \\ &+ \left(\frac{P_b + P_c}{2}\right)(v_c - v_b) \\ &+ \left(\frac{P_c + P_d}{2}\right)(v_d - v_c) \\ &+ \left(\frac{P_d + P_e}{2}\right)(v_e - v_d), \\ &= \left(\frac{(100 \text{ kPa}) + (200 \text{ kPa})}{2}\right) \left( \left(1.08034 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) - \left(2.17226 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) \right) \\ &+ \left(\frac{(200 \text{ kPa}) + (300 \text{ kPa})}{2}\right) \left( \left(0.71629 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) - \left(1.08034 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) \right) \\ &+ \left(\frac{(300 \text{ kPa}) + (400 \text{ kPa})}{2}\right) \left( \left(0.53422 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) - \left(0.71629 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) \right) \\ &+ \left(\frac{(400 \text{ kPa}) + (500 \text{ kPa})}{2}\right) \left( \left(0.42492 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) - \left(0.53422 \frac{\text{m}^3}{\text{kg}}\right) \right), \\ &= -367.71 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}}. \end{aligned}$$

So

$${}_2W_3 = m_2 w_3 = (10 \text{ kg}) \left( -367.71 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg}} \right) = -3677.1 \text{ kJ}.$$

And for the total process

$${}_1W_3 = {}_1W_2 + {}_2W_3 = (1494.03 \text{ kJ}) + (-3677.1 \text{ kJ}) = \boxed{-2183.07 \text{ kJ}}.$$

The plots follow.

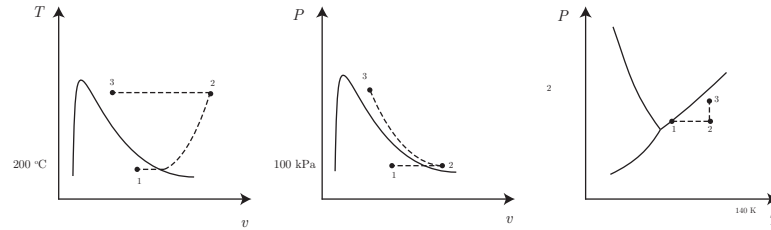


Figure 4: Two-step isobaric, isothermal process in  $T - v$ ,  $P - v$ , and  $P - T$  planes (not to scale).

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