

Pandemic Physics Lab 10: A day of thermodynamics problems

An ideal 3 dimensional **diatomic** gas (with translational and rotational realized) has the equation of state $PV = nRT$ where n is the number of moles and $R=8.314 \text{ J/(K mol)}$. Suppose that 1 mole of this ideal gas goes through an **isovolumeric** ($V=\text{constant}$) process. If the change in pressure is $\Delta P=1 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$, and the change in temperature is $\Delta T=300 \text{ K}$, answer the following using correct SI units.

(a) What is the volume of the gas when the pressure is $P=1 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$ and the temperature is $T=300 \text{ K}$?

(b) What are the values of c_v and c_p for this gas?

$c_v =$ _____ $c_p =$ _____
(c) What is the change in internal energy of the gas?

$\Delta U =$ _____
(d) How much heat was supplied (or evolved) from the gas?

$Q =$ _____

A copper cube with a density of 8960 kg/m^3 has a coefficient of linear expansion of $16.6 \times 10^{-6} / ^\circ\text{C}$ and a specific heat of $385 \text{ J/(kg } ^\circ\text{C)}$. Suppose a 1 Kg block of copper is heated from a temperature of 0°C to a temperature of 100°C .

(a) if the cube is isotropic, what is the coefficient of volume expansion?

$\gamma =$ _____

(b) How much heat is added to the system?

$Q =$ _____

(c) What is the change in volume of the cube?

$\Delta V =$ _____

(d) If this expansion was in the presence of a pressure of $1 \times 10^5 \text{ Pa}$, how much work was done by the cube?

$W =$ _____

(e) What was the change in internal energy of the cube?

$\Delta U =$ _____

A heat engine is observed to operate with 55% efficiency when a heat input of $Q_H=100\text{J}$ is provided.

(a) What is the work that was measured from this engine?

(b) Suppose the engine went through a Carnot cycle with heat input was from a source which has a temperature of $T_H=100^\circ\text{C}$. What is the temperature (in K) of the colder reservoir?

An ideal 3 dimensional monotonic gas has the equation of state $PV=nRT$ where n is the number of moles and $R=8.314 \text{ J/(K mol)}$. For this gas, it is known that the molar specific heat at constant volume is $c_v = 3/2 R$. You may assume $n=1$ mole here.

(a) Calculate c_p and the adiabatic coefficient γ for this gas.

$C_p =$ _____ $\gamma =$ _____

(b) Suppose that the gas went through an **isobaric process ($P=P_i$)** which resulted in $\Delta V=2V_i$ where V_i was the initial volume of the gas at the temperature T_i and pressure P_i . **In terms of P_i and V_i** , calculate the following:

$Q =$ _____

$W =$ _____

$\Delta U =$ _____

(c) Suppose that the gas went through an **isothermal ($T=T_i$)** process which resulted in $\Delta V=2V_i$ with P changing from P_i to P_f . Calculate the following **(in terms of the thermodynamic variable T_i)**:

$\Delta U =$ _____

$W =$ _____

$Q =$ _____

An unknown solid material is observed to have a length of $L_0=1$ m at 0°C and a length of $L=1.01$ m at 100°C . **In your answers, be sure to use correct SI units.**

(a) Calculate the coefficient of linear expansion for this material.

$$\alpha = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(b) Another material (not the same material as in part a) has a coefficient of linear expansion given by $\alpha=1\times 10^{-3}$ /C. Calculate the coefficient of volume expansion for this material assuming the material is isotropic.

$$\gamma = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(c) If a cube of the material in (b) above with a volume $V_0=1$ m³ is heated from 0°C to 100°C , calculate the work done when it expands against a constant pressure of $P=1\times 10^5$ Pa.

$$W = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(d) Suppose the material in (b) above has a density of $\rho=800$ kg/m³ and a specific heat at a constant pressure of $c_p=2$ J/(kg $^\circ\text{C}$). Calculate the heat supplied to the system.

$$Q = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(e) Calculate ΔU when the material in (b) above is expanded (as in c) and simultaneously heated (as in d).

$$\Delta U = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

A heat engine is reported to operate with 75% efficiency when the cold reservoir is at 0°C .

(a) Assuming this engine follows the Carnot cycle, what is the temperature of the hot reservoir (in K)?

$T_H =$ _____

(b) Suppose the heat input to this engine was 50 J. Calculate the work done by this engine.

$W =$ _____

(c) Suppose the heat input to this engine was 50J. Calculate the heat rejected by this engine.

For water, $L_f = 3.33 \times 10^5 \text{ J/kg}$ and $c = 4186 \text{ J/Kg } ^\circ\text{C}$. **In your answers, be sure to use correct SI units.**

(a) If 2 kg of water at 0°C is mixed with 1 kg of water at 75°C , calculate the final equilibrium temperature of the mixture.

$T_f =$ _____

(b) Calculate the change in entropy of the water as a result of the mixing described in part a, be sure to provide correct SI units.

$\Delta S =$ _____

(c) If a 2 kg mass of water at 0°C freezes to become ice at 0°C , calculate the change in entropy of the ice.

$\Delta S =$ _____

An ideal **3 dimensional diatomic gas with rotational modes realized but not vibrational modes** has the equation of state $PV=nRT$ where n is the number of moles. **You may assume $n=2$ moles for this entire problem.**

(a) Calculate c_v , c_p and the adiabatic coefficient γ for this gas, providing numerical answers with correct SI units.

$$c_v = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad c_p = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \\ \gamma = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(b) Suppose that the ideal gas in (a) had an initial volume of $V_i = 1 \text{ m}^3$ and went through an **isothermal process ($T=T_i=300 \text{ K}$)** which resulted in $V_f = 2 \text{ m}^3$.

Providing correct SI units, calculate the following:

$$P_i = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad Q = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad W = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \\ \Delta U = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(c) Suppose that the same gas went through an **isovolumetric ($V=V_i$)** process which resulted in $T_f = 600 \text{ K}$ where $T_i = 200 \text{ K}$ with P changing from P_i to P_f .

Providing correct SI units, calculate the following:

$$\Delta U = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad W = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad Q = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

Constants: $R = 8.314 \text{ J/(K mol)}$; water: $c = 4186 \text{ J/(}^\circ\text{C kg)}$, $L_f = 3.33 \times 10^5 \text{ J/kg}$

An ideal 3 dimensional diatomic gas has the equation of state $PV=nRT$ where n is the number of moles and $R=8.314 \text{ J/(K mol)}$. You may assume $n=1$ mole here.

(a) Calculate c_p for this ideal gas when all 7 degrees of freedom are realized.

For the rest of this problem, assume $c_v=3/2 R$.

(b) Suppose $n=1$ moles of this gas went through an isothermal process at $T=300\text{K}$ which resulted in $V_f=3V_i$ with V_i being the initial volume of the gas. Calculate the following quantities:

$$\Delta U = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$Q = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

(c) Suppose $n=1$ moles of this gas went through an isobaric process at $P=1.0 \times 10^2 \text{ Pa}$ and the volume changed from 1 m^3 to 3 m^3 . Calculate the following quantities:

$$\Delta T = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\Delta U = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$