

Chapter 5

The Second Law Of Thermodynamics

- Thermodynamics main concern is in the transformation of energy.
- 1-st law states naturally conservation of energy in ordinary process. However, does not say any thing about the “spontaneity”. (The spontaneous direction of the process).
- Experience indicates that the direction of process is not arbitrary but restricted. (Ex. Hot and cold object).
- In addition, the difference between heat and work provide some insight into the 2-nd law.

Work: Easily transferred into other forms of energy. Such conversation can be made to approach 100% efficiency by elimination of friction. (reversible).

Heat: Can't be as efficiently converted to work or into mechanical or electrical energy. Such conversation efficiency does not exceed 40%.

5.1 Statements Of The Second Law

- 1) It is impossible by a cyclic process to convert the heat absorbed by a system completely into work.
- 2) No process is possible which consists solely in the transfer of heat from one temperature level to a higher one.

5.2 Heat Engines

- It is a device or machine that produce work from heat in a cyclic process.

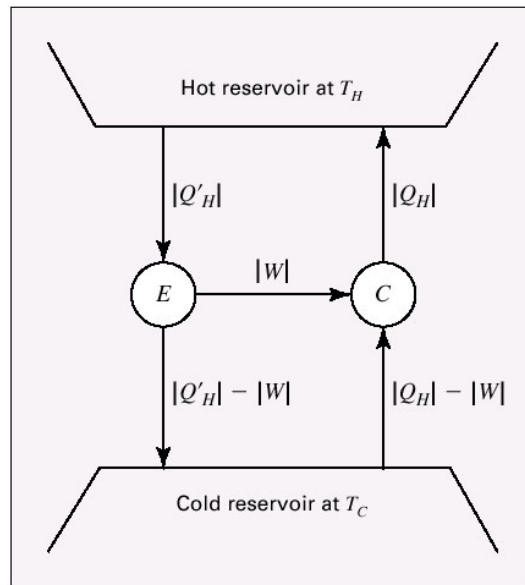


Figure 5.1: Engine E operating a Carnot refrigerator C .

Thus from first law,

$$|W| = |Q_H| - |Q_C| \quad (5.1)$$

- **The efficiency of the heat engine** is defined as: The ratio between the work output and the heat input.

$$\eta = |W| / |Q_H| = |Q_H| - |Q_C| / |Q_H|$$

Or

$$\eta = 1 - |Q_C| / |Q_H| \quad (5.2)$$

For η to be 100%, $|Q_C|$ must be zero.

However, no engine can be built for which this is true. **Impossible**

- **Maximum thermal efficiency** is achieved if the heat engine operates completely in a reversible manner. Such ideal engine is special and is called the **Carnot engine**.
(Reversible engine $\equiv$ The difference in the temperatures of each cycle is very small). Thus, any reversible engine operation between two heat reservoirs is a Carnot engine.
- **Carnot Observation:** For a reversible heat engine, the efficiency depends only on the temperature levels, T_H and T_C .
- **Carnot Cycle:** Is a heat engine but the working fluid is assumed to be **IDEAL**.

5.3 Thermodynamic Temperature Scale

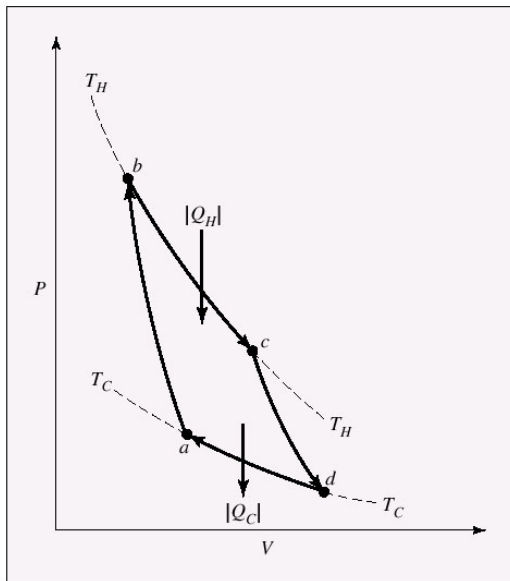


Figure 5.3: PV diagram showing Carnot cycle for an ideal gas.

- Four reversible steps:
 - 1) $a \rightarrow b$ Adiabatic compression, until the temperature rises from T_C to T_H .
 - 2) $b \rightarrow c$ Isothermal expansion to point c during which it absorbs a quantity of heat $|Q_H|$.
 - 3) $c \rightarrow d$ Adiabatic expansion until the temperature decrease to T_C .
 - 4) $d \rightarrow a$ Isothermal compression to the initial state with rejection of heat $|Q_C|$.
- For any reversible process, using an ideal gas as the system in a closed system, the first law:

$$dU = dQ + dW$$

$$C_V dT = dQ + PdV$$

Solving for Q and W of the above four steps gives:

$$|Q_H| / |Q_C| = T_H / T_C \quad (5.7)$$

And since, $\eta = 1 - |Q_C| / |Q_H|$

Then, $\eta = 1 - T_C / T_H \quad (5.8)$

5.7 & 5.8 Carnot's Equations

For $\eta = 1$ T_C has to be zero OR T_H to be infinite. Which can't be realized on earth.

Cold reservoirs naturally available on earth: atmosphere, sea water & rivers $T_C \approx 300K$.

Hot reservoirs: furnaces fueled by fossil fuel or nuclear reactors $T_H \approx 600K$.

Then, $\eta = 1 - 300/600 = 0.5$, approximate limit for thermal efficiency of Carnot engines.

Actual heat engines are irreversible and η rarely exceeds 0.35.

5.4 Entropy

- Write equation 5.7 as,

$$|Q_H| / T_H = |Q_C| / T_C$$

Consider the signs for heat,

$$Q_H / T_H = - Q_C / T_C$$

Then,

$$Q_H / T_H + Q_C / T_C = 0 \quad (5.9)$$

So, there exists a property of the system (Q / T) for which the sum of its change is zero for any complete reversible cycle.

$$\oint dQ_{\text{rev}} / T = 0 \quad (5.10)$$

Clausius (1850) had introduced this property and called it **entropy** (S).

$$dS^t = dQ_{\text{rev}} / T \quad (5.11)$$

Where S^t is the total entropy of the system. Alternatively,

$$dQ_{\text{rev}} = T dS^t \quad (5.12)$$

- The change in entropy of any system undergoing a finite **reversible** process:

$$\Delta S^t = \int dQ_{\text{rev}} / T \quad (5.13)$$

- When a system undergoes an **irreversible** process from an equilibrium state to another, ΔS^t is still evaluated by application of equation 5.13 to an arbitrarily chosen reversible process that accomplishes the same change of state.

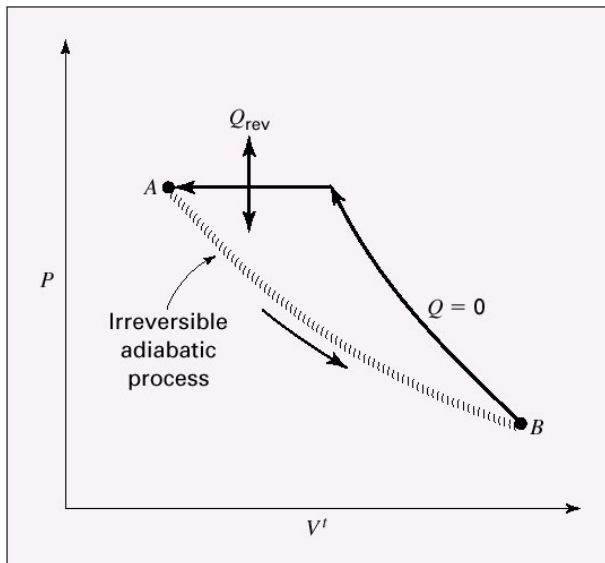


Figure 5.6: Cycle containing an irreversible adiabatic process A to B .

- Entropy is useful because it is a state function. It is based on the 2-nd law.

5.5 Entropy Changes Of An Ideal Gas

1-st law for one mole or unit mass of fluid,

$$dU = dQ + dW$$

For a reversible process,

$$dU = dQ_{\text{rev}} - PdV$$

Differentiation of enthalpy equation,

$$H = U + PV, \text{ yields:}$$

$$dH = dU + PdV + VdP$$

Substitute for dU,

$$dH = dQ_{\text{rev}} - PdV + PdV + VdP$$

Or

$$dQ_{\text{rev}} = dH - VdP$$

Now for ideal gas, $dH = C_p^{\text{ig}} dT$ & $V = RT / P$

Substitute back, $dQ_{\text{rev}} = C_p^{\text{ig}} dT - RT / P dP$ Or

$$dQ_{\text{rev}} / T = C_p^{\text{ig}} dT / T - R / P dP$$

From 5.11,

$$dS = C_p^{\text{ig}} dT / T - R dP / P$$

Integrate from initial state (P1,T1) to final state (P2,T2)

$$\Delta S = \int_{T_1}^{T_2} C_p^{\text{ig}} dT / T - R \ln P_2 / P_1 \quad (5.14)$$

Based on equation 4.4, $C_p^{\text{ig}} / R = A + BT + C T^2 + DT^{-2}$

Integrate 5.14, and define the **mean heat capacity** ($C_{p_s}^{\text{ig}}$),

$$C_{p_s}^{\text{ig}} = \int_{T_1}^{T_2} (C_p^{\text{ig}} dT / T) / \ln (T_2 / T_1) \quad (5.16)$$

Substitute into 4.4,

$$C_{p_s}^{\text{ig}} / R = A + B T_{\text{lm}} + T_H T_{\text{lm}} [C + D / (T_1 T_2)^2] \quad (5.17)$$

Where,

$$T_H \text{ (arithmetic mean temp.)} = T_1 + T_2 / 2$$

$$T_{\text{lm}} \text{ (logarithmic mean temp.)} = T_2 - T_1 / \ln (T_2 / T_1)$$

Solving for integral in 5.16,

$$\int_{T_1}^{T_2} (C_p^{\text{ig}} dT / T) = C_{p_s}^{\text{ig}} \ln T_2 / T_1$$

Equation 5.14 becomes,

$$\Delta S = C_{p_s}^{\text{ig}} \ln T_2 / T_1 - R \ln P_2 / P_1 \quad (5.18)$$

Example 5.3

5.6 Mathematical Statement Of The Second Law

Consider two heat reservoirs one at T_H and another at lower temperature T_C .

$$\Delta S_H = -Q / T_H$$

And

$$\Delta S_C = Q / T_C$$

Then,

$$\begin{aligned}\Delta S_{\text{tot}} &= \Delta S_H + \Delta S_C = Q / T_C - Q / T_H = Q (1/ T_C - 1/ T_H) \\ &= Q (T_H - T_C / T_C T_H)\end{aligned}$$

Since $T_H > T_C \Rightarrow \Delta S_{\text{tot}} = +ve$ For this **irreversible process**.

To make the **process reversible**, reduce T_H as close as possible to T_C .

$$\Rightarrow \Delta S_{\text{tot}} = 0$$

Conclusion:

For irreversible heat transfer process $\Delta S_{\text{tot}} > 0$ and as the process becomes reversible ΔS_{tot} approach zero.

$$\boxed{\Delta S_{\text{tot}} \geq 0} \quad (5.19)$$

Every process proceeds in such direction that the total entropy change associated with it is positive, the limiting value of zero being reached only by a reversible process.

Example 5.4.

HW#1

Just as thermo professor was hurrying into the classroom building, a big 20 kg bag of sand smashed to the ground behind him, just missing him. He looked up and saw that it fell (or dropped) 50 m from the roof deck of the building. His first thoughts were:

- What was ΔS of the bag of sand for this event?
- What was ΔS of the surroundings?
- What was ΔS_{total} for this process?

Please answer the above questions.

Additional information: Although frictional heat may have been generated when the bag hit the ground, this heat is lost to the surroundings as the bag returned to the original temperature of 7°C .

