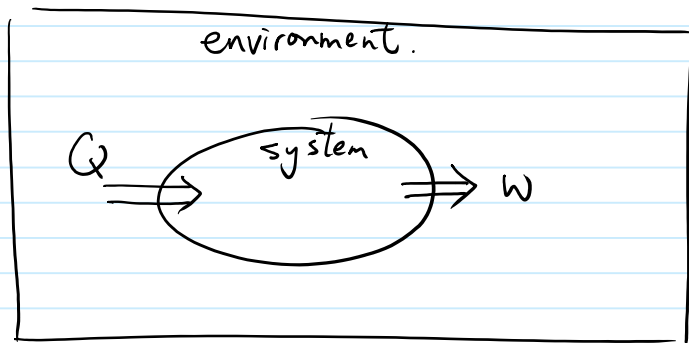


# First Law of thermodynamics I

- Thermodynamic system: potential to exchange energy with its surroundings in form of heat ( $Q$ ) and work ( $W$ )

Schematic picture.



$Q > 0$  if heat flow into system

$Q < 0$  heat flow away from sys.

$W > 0$  if work done by system

$W < 0$  work done on system

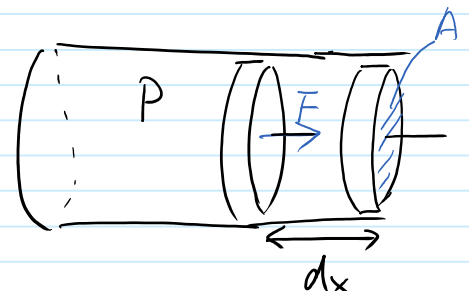
work done by system against external pressure.

$$dW = \vec{F} \cdot d\vec{x} = F dx = p \underbrace{A dx}_{dV} \quad \text{change in volume}$$

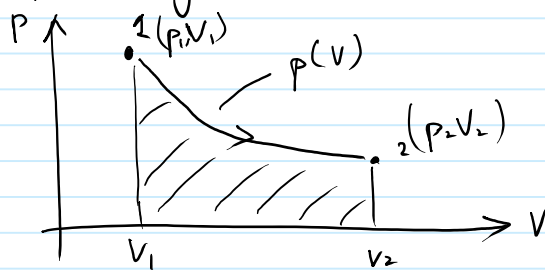
$$\Rightarrow dW = p dV \quad \leftarrow \text{final.}$$

$$W = \int_{V_i}^{V_f} p dV$$

$\nwarrow$  initial



On  $p$ - $V$  diagram,



$$W = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} p(V) dV \approx \text{Area under curve}$$

$W > 0$  as  $V_2 > V_1$ , expansion.  
Work done by the gas

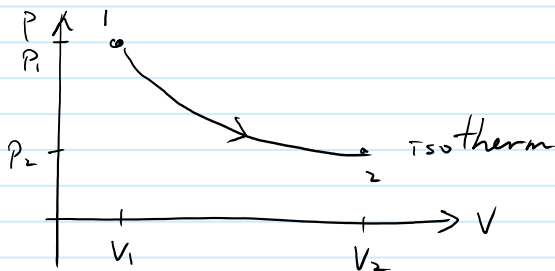


$$W = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} p(V) dV = (-\text{Area}) < 0$$

$\therefore V_2 < V_1$ , compression  
Work is done on the gas

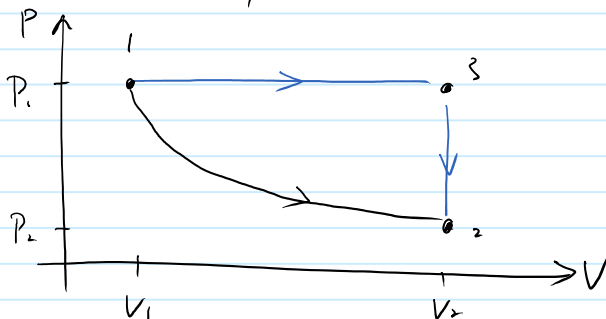
e.g. for ideal gas.  $pV = nRT$ .

work done at constant  $T$ .  $\Rightarrow p = \frac{nRT}{V}$



$$\begin{aligned} W &= \int_{V_1}^{V_2} p dV = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} \frac{nRT}{V} dV \\ &= nRT \ln V \Big|_{V_1}^{V_2} \\ &= nRT \ln \left( \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Consider a path  $1 \rightarrow 3 \rightarrow 2$



$$W_{132} = W_{13} + W_{32}$$

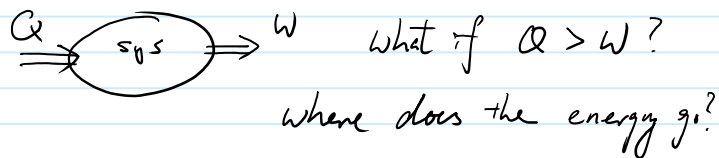
$$W_{13} = \int_{V_1}^{V_2} p dV = p_1(V_2 - V_1)$$

$$W_{32} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow W_{132} = p_1(V_2 - V_1) \neq W_{12} = nRT \ln \left( \frac{V_2}{V_1} \right)$$

$\Rightarrow$  Work done from one state to another is  
Path dependent!

## Internal Energy



$U$  : Kinetic + Potential energy of the system.

↑ interaction among constituent particles  
(Not external interactions e.g. gravity)

•  $\Delta U = U_f - U_i$ . If  $\Delta U > 0$  internal E increases.

• for ideal gas:  $U = K$  only (inert gas)

$$U = \frac{f}{2} nRT \propto \text{Temperature.}$$

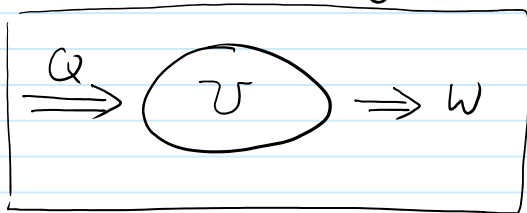
•  $U$  depends only on the state, i.e.  $(p, V, T)$ .

$\Rightarrow U$  is a state function.

$\Rightarrow \Delta U$  is path independent. e.g.  $\Delta U = \frac{f}{2} nR \Delta T$

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## First Law of Thermodynamics



$$Q = \Delta U + W$$

$$\text{or } \Delta U = Q - W.$$

Conservation of energy

$$Q = \underbrace{\Delta U}_{\substack{\uparrow \\ \text{path} \\ \text{independent}}} + \underbrace{W}_{\substack{\leftarrow \\ \text{path} \\ \text{dependent}}}$$

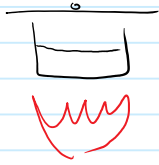
$\Rightarrow Q$  is path dependent.

- Joule's waterfall experiment.
- conversion of work into heat

Example of  $Q$  being path dependent.

## Boiling Water

Ⓐ with lid



Volume is fixed

Pressure increases

$\Rightarrow$  gas won't expand

$\Rightarrow W = 0$

Ⓑ without lid.



Pressure is fixed at 1 atm.

Gas could expand

$\Rightarrow W > 0$

By first law:

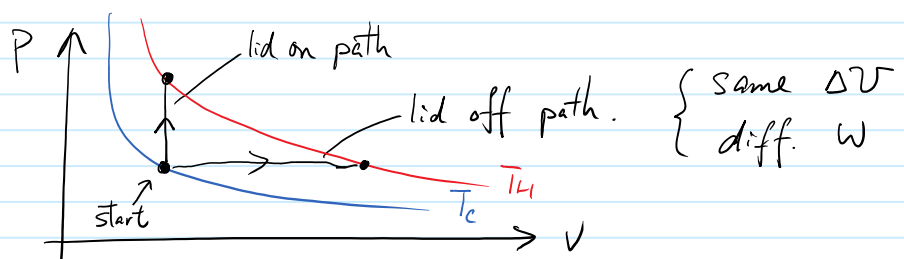
Ⓐ  $Q = \Delta U + W = \Delta U$  All heat converts into internal energy of the water directly.

Ⓑ  $Q = \Delta U + W > \Delta U$  Part of the heat converts into work done for expansion of the water vapour.  
 $\because W > 0$

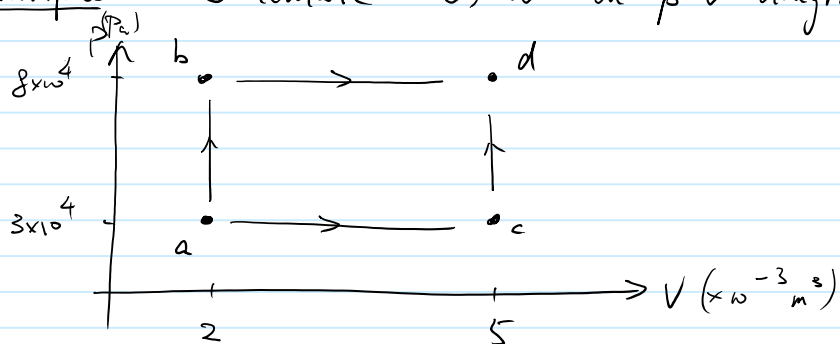
$\Rightarrow$  Less increase in  $\Delta U$  for the same amount of  $Q$ .

Boiling water with the lid on is more efficient!  
(as everyone knows)

$\Rightarrow$  Amount of heat is different when the processes are different.



Example Calculate  $Q, W$  on  $p$ - $V$  diagram.



Given  $\Delta U = U_d - U_a = 510 \text{ J}$ .

Find  $Q_{abd}$  &  $Q_{acd}$ .

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

$\nearrow 510$

$$\begin{aligned} W_{abd} &= W_{ab} + W_{bd} \\ &= 0 + P_b \cdot \Delta V \\ &= P_b \cdot (V_d - V_b) = 8 \times 10^4 \cdot (3 \times 10^{-3}) = 240 \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

$$Q_{abd} = (510 + 240) \text{ J} = 750 \text{ J}.$$

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

$\nwarrow 510$

$$\begin{aligned} W_{acd} &= W_{ac} + W_{cd} \rightarrow 0 \\ &= P_a \Delta V = 90 \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow Q_{acd} = 510 + 90 = 600 \text{ J}.$$

Key: Find  $W$  from  $p$ - $V$  diagram.

$\Delta U$  from  $\Delta T$ .

then  $Q$  using first law.  $Q = \Delta U + W$ .

### Example

Boiling 1 gram of water to steam. @ 1 atm. @ 100°C

The water will expand when boiling

from  $V_i = 1 \text{ cm}^3 = 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3$  (water)

to  $V_f = 1671 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3$  (steam)

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Work} &= W = P \cdot \Delta V = 1.013 \times 10^5 \cdot 1670 \times 10^{-6} \\ \text{by} & \\ \text{H}_2\text{O} &= 169 \text{ J} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{heat absorbed} = Q = m L_v = 10^{-3} \cdot 2256 \times 10^6$$

as latent heat

$$= 2256 \text{ J.}$$

$$L_v @ 1 \text{ atm} = 2256 \times 10^6$$

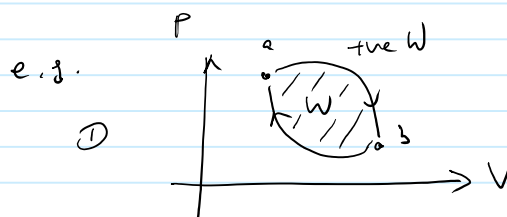
⇒ Increase in internal energy of water.

$$\begin{aligned} \Delta U &= Q - W \\ &= 2087 \text{ J.} \end{aligned}$$

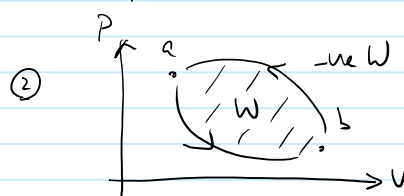
### Terminologies:

• Isolated system :  $W=0$  ,  $Q=0$  ⇒  $\Delta U=0$

• cyclic process :  $\Delta U=0$  return to initial state after one cycle.



$\Delta U=0$  but  $W>0$   
(clockwise)  $Q>0$



$W<0$   
(counter-clockwise).  
 $Q<0$