

Homework 2

1. A typical human produces about 10 MJ of energy transferred as heat each day through metabolic activity.
 - a) If a human body were an isolated system of mass 65 kg with the heat capacity of water ($C_{p,s} = 4.18 \text{ J g}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}$), what temperature rise would the body experience?
 - b) What is the mechanism of heat loss in our bodies since we are actually open systems?
2. During a thermodynamic process, a system moves from state A to state B, it is supplied with 400 J of heat and does 100 J of work.
 - a) For this transition, what is the system's change in internal energy?
 - b) If the system then moves from state B back to state A, what is its change in internal energy?
 - c) If in moving from A to B along a different path, $W'_{AB} = 400 \text{ J}$ of work is done on the system, how much heat does it absorb?
3. A sample containing 1.0 mol of perfect gas atoms ($C_{v,m} = \frac{1}{2} R$) initially at $P_1 = 100 \text{ atm}$ and $T_1 = 300 \text{ K}$ is heated reversibly to 400 K at constant volume. Calculate the final pressure, ΔU , q and W .
4. Answer the questions about the below pressure-volume diagram of a thermodynamic cycle.
 - a) Write down the formulas to calculate the work done by each process.
 - b) Determine when the work is done by the gas and when it is performed by the surroundings.
 - c) Determine in which phases the gas absorbs heat from the surroundings and when it gives the heat off.

