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FACULTY OF ENGINEERING SCIENCE

BSc. (Eng) SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS 2012/2013

MTEN 204-THERMODYNAMICS OF MATERIALS (2 CREDITS)

TIME- 2HRS

ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS

1.

- a) Briefly discuss the following terms associated with thermodynamics: (6 marks)
- (i) Internal energy,
 - (ii) Black body,
 - (iii) Thermal conductivity,
 - (iv) specific heat capacity,
 - (v) Latent heats of fusion
 - (vi) Latent heats of vaporization.
- b) Using appropriate equation, explain term Polytrophic Process. The exponent, n , in the polytrophic process equation may take on any value from $-\infty$ to $+\infty$ depending on the particular process; describe four (4) processes that may occur within the given conditions. (8 marks)
- c) State and explain the three (3) laws of thermodynamics (6 marks)
- d) A glass rod is heated and then blown by a glass blower. When it is at 185°C it is brought outside to cool. 3200 J of heat are transferred from the glass to the air, which is at 18°C . Find the change in entropy of the universe. (5 marks)

2.

- a) Briefly describe with appropriate real life situations of the 3 main heat transfer processes. (6 marks)
- b) Under nonstandard conditions, $\Delta G = \Delta G^{\circ} + RT \ln Q$, where Q is the reaction quotient and the gas constant $R = 8.314 \text{ J/K}$. Calculate ΔG at 427°C for the reaction below if the $P_{\text{N}_2} = 33.0 \text{ atm}$, $P_{\text{H}_2} = 99.0 \text{ atm}$, and $P_{\text{NH}_3} = 2.0 \text{ atm}$:
 $\text{N}_2(\text{g}) + 3 \text{H}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 2 \text{NH}_3(\text{g})$.
Take the standard entropies S° , as: $\text{NH}_3(\text{g}) = 192.8 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$, $\text{N}_2(\text{g}) = 191.5 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$, $\text{H}_2(\text{g}) = 130.58 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$, and the standard enthalpies H° as: $\text{NH}_3(\text{g}) = -46.19 \text{ J}$, $\text{N}_2(\text{g}) = 0 \text{ J}$, $\text{H}_2(\text{g}) = 0 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$. (7 marks)
- c) State the energy balance law for a closed system. (4 marks)
- d) An air tank with a volume of 20 m^3 is pressurized to 10 MPa. The tank eventually reaches room temperature of 25°C . If the air is allowed to escape with no heat transfer until $P_f = 200$

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kPa, determine the mass of air remaining in the tank and the final temperature of air in the tank. (8 marks)

3.

- Air is contained in an insulated, rigid volume at 20°C and 200 kPa. A paddle wheel, inserted in the volume, does 720 kJ of work on the air. If the volume is 2m³, calculate the entropy increase assuming constant specific heats, a zero heat transfer and take the gas constant for air $R_{\text{air}} = 0.287 \text{ kJ/kg}$. (8 marks)
- Briefly explain the following terms: system, closed system and open system. (6 marks)
- Given that the standard free energies of formation ΔG°_f of the following substances are $\text{CH}_4(\text{g}) = -50.5$, $\text{O}_2(\text{g}) = 0.0$, $\text{CO}_2(\text{g}) = -394.4$, $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g}) = -228.6$, $\text{O}_3(\text{g}) = 163.2$, calculate ΔG° at 25°C for the reaction; $\text{CH}_4(\text{g}) + 8\text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{CO}_2(\text{g}) + 2\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g}) + 4 \text{O}_3(\text{g})$ (6 marks)
- A 2200-kg automobile traveling at 90 km/h (25 m/s) hits the rear of a stationary, 1000-kg automobile. After the collision, the large automobile slows to 50 km/h (13.89 m/s) and the smaller vehicle has a speed of 88 km/h (24.44 m/s). What has been the increase in internal energy, taking both vehicles as the system? (5 marks)

4.

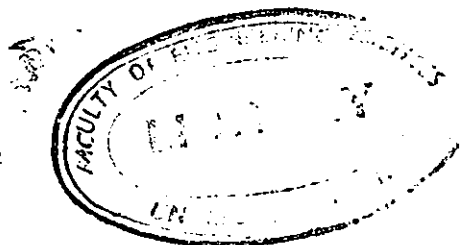
- Systems can be described from the macroscopic and microscopic points of view. Briefly discuss these 2 viewpoints. (6 marks)
- Calculate ΔS° for the reaction;

$$4\text{NH}_3(\text{g}) + 5\text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow 4\text{NO}(\text{g}) + 6\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{l})$$

The standard entropies S° , are given as: $\text{NH}_3(\text{g}) = 192.8 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$, $\text{O}_2(\text{g}) = 205.2 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$, $\text{NO}(\text{g}) = 210.8 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$, $\text{H}_2\text{O}(\text{g}) = 188.8 \text{ J/mol}\cdot\text{K}$ (6 marks)
- The reactions $\text{SO}_2(\text{g}) + \frac{1}{2} \text{O}_2(\text{g}) \rightarrow \text{SO}_3(\text{g})$ has $\Delta H^\circ = -98.9 \text{ kJ}$ and $\Delta S^\circ = -94.0 \text{ J/K}$ at 25°C. Calculate ΔG° at 125°C and determine if the reaction is spontaneous. (7 marks)
- Superman vaporizes an 1800 kg ice monster with his heat ray vision. The ice monster was at -20 °C. After being vaporized he is steam at 135 °C. How much energy did Superman expend? Take the following into consideration:

Substance	Specific Heat (in J / kg °C)
ice	2090
liquid water	4186
steam	1970

Also take for water: $L_f = 3.33 \times 10^5 \text{ J/Kg}$; $L_v = 2.26 \times 10^6 \text{ J/Kg}$ (6 marks)



7. If a system undergoes a change of state during which both heat transfer and work transfer are involved, the net energy transfer will be
- A. stored or accumulated within the system.
 - B. ejected by the system.
 - C. released by the system as radiation
 - D. partially stored by the system
 - E. dissipated as sound energy
8. A heat engine typically uses energy provided in the form of heat to do work and then
- A. releases all the energy as heat.
 - B. releases the energy as sound energy.
 - C. exhausts the heat which cannot be used to do work.
 - D. uses all the heat to do the work.
 - E. dissipates all the heat as light.
9. Calculate the heat required to raise the temperature of iron from 15°C to 220°C . The melting point of iron is 1535°C and the specific heat capacity of iron is 220 J/Kg K .
- A. 4600 KJ
 - B. 1600 KJ
 - C. 45100 KJ
 - D. 45150 KJ
 - E. 1840 KJ
10. A closed system and its surroundings can interact in two (2) ways:
- A. thermal transfer and light transfer
 - B. heat capacity and latent heat
 - C. work transfer and heat transfer
 - D. force exerted on the system

E. force exerted on the surrounding

SECTION B: Answer all questions (60 marks)

1.

a. A heat engine converts one sixth of the heat input into work. If the sink temperature is reduced by 62°C , the efficiency gets doubled. Find the source and the sink temperatures. **8 marks**

b. When a system is taken from state *a* to state *b* as shown in Figure 1 below, along the path *acb*, 84 KJ of heat flow into the system and the system does 32 KJ of work.

(i) How much will the heat that flows into the system along the path *adb* be, if the work done is 10.5 KJ? **6 marks**

(ii) When the system is returned from *b* to *a* along the curved path, the work done on the system is 21 KJ. Does the system absorb or liberate heat, and how much of the heat is liberated or absorbed? **6 marks**

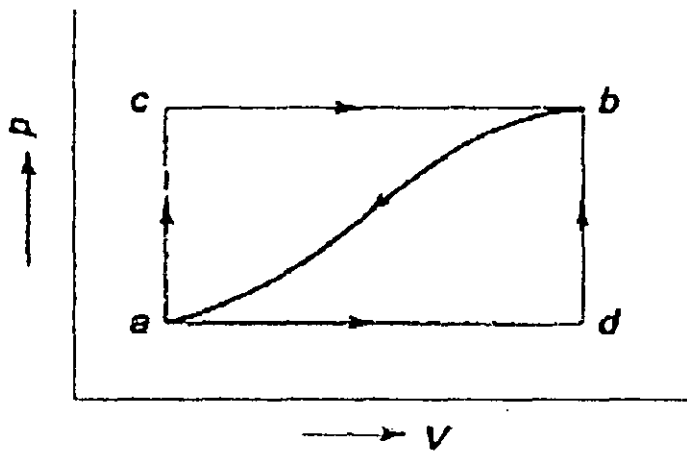


Figure 1

2.

a. In a cyclic heat engine shown in Figure 2 below, heat Q_1 is transferred to the system, work W_E is done by the system, work W_C is done upon the system and then the heat Q_2 is rejected from the system. For such a heat engine show that $Q_1 - Q_2 = W_E - W_C$. **5 marks**

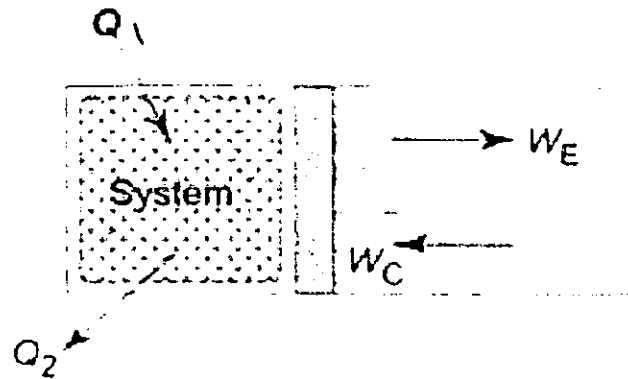


Figure 2

b. When the valve of an evacuated bottle is opened, atmospheric air rushes into it. If the atmospheric pressure is 101.325 kPa and 0.6 m³ of air (measured at atmospheric conditions) enters into the bottles, calculate the work done by the air. **5 marks**

c. Explain the statement; a cyclic heat engine can never be 100 % efficient. **5 marks**

d. What is a “thermal energy reservoir”? Calculate the maximum efficiency of a heat engine operating between 120°C and 35°C. **5 marks**

3.

a. Explain briefly the Kelvin-Planck and Clausius statements of the second law of thermodynamics. **4 marks**

b. Define the terms specific heat and latent heat capacities. **4 marks**

c. What would be the final temperature if a 2 kg piece of lead at 200°C is inserted in a container with 10 kg of water at 50°C? (The specific heat capacities of lead and water are $c = 128 \text{ J / kg } ^\circ\text{C}$ and $4186 \text{ J / kg } ^\circ\text{C}$ respectively) **6 marks**

d. A stationary mass of gas is compressed without friction from an initial state of 0.3 m^3 and 0.105 MPa to a final state of 0.105 m^3 and 0.105 MPa , the pressure remaining constant during the process. There is a transfer of 37.6 KJ of heat from the gas during the process. How much does the internal energy of gas change? **6 marks**