

# Chemical Engineering (Thermodynamics I) (UCH305)



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# **Lecture 4**

**Thermodynamic properties**

**Thermodynamic processes**

# Outline

- Temperature
- Thermodynamic Equilibrium
- Process, path
- Quasi-static or quasi equilibrium Process
- Various thermodynamic processes
- Cyclic process
- Static process
- Steady-state process
- Point (State) functions & Path functions

# Temperature

- A **temperature** is an objective comparative measure of *hot* or *cold*.
- It is also defined as *Degree* of *hotness* of any system.
- It is measured by a *thermometer*.
- the most common scale of temperature:
  - **Celsius** (denoted °C; formerly called *centigrade*),
  - **Fahrenheit** (denoted °F), and,
  - especially in science, **Kelvin** (denoted K).

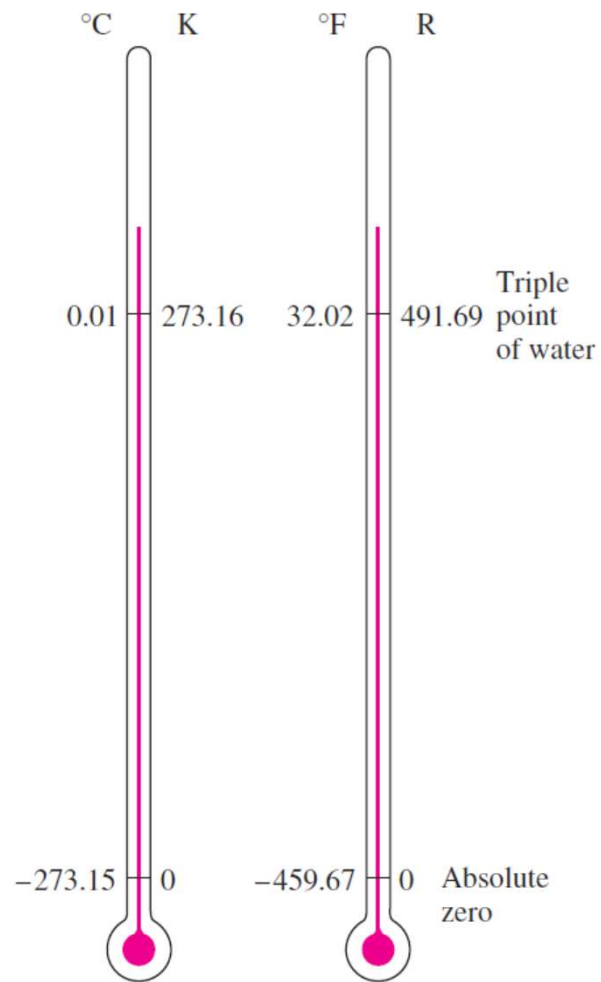


A typical Celsius thermometer measures a winter day temperature of  $-17^{\circ}\text{C}$

## Temperature scales

	°C	K	°F	°R
Normal H <sub>2</sub> O Boiling point	100.00	373.15	211.95	671.67
Normal H <sub>2</sub> O Ice point	0.00	273.15	32.00	491.67
Absolute zero	-273.15	0.00	-459.67	0.00

## Comparison of temperature scales



## Temperature conversion

- $K = ^\circ C + 273.15$

- $^{\circ}R = ^\circ F + 459.67$

$$\frac{^{\circ}C}{100} = \frac{^{\circ}F - 32}{180}$$

$$^{\circ}C = \frac{5}{9} (^{\circ}F - 32) \rightarrow ^{\circ}C = 0.5556 (^{\circ}F - 32)$$

$$^{\circ}F = \left( \frac{9}{5} \times ^{\circ}C \right) + 32 \rightarrow ^{\circ}F = (1.8 \times ^{\circ}C) + 32$$

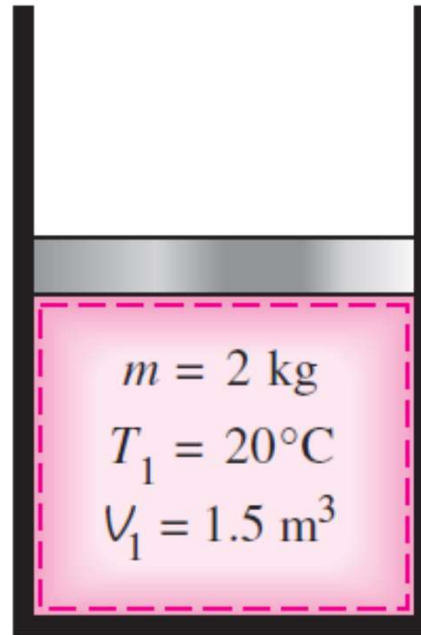
- It is common practice to round the constant in:
  - Kelvin scale to 273, and that in
  - Rankine scale to 460.
- The temperature scales in the two unit systems are related by:
  - $T (^{\circ}\text{R}) = 1.8 T (\text{K})$
  - $T (^{\circ}\text{F}) = 1.8 T (^{\circ}\text{C}) + 32$
- At the same time the differential in temperature:
  - $\Delta T (\text{K}) = \Delta T (^{\circ}\text{C})$
  - $\Delta T (^{\circ}\text{R}) = \Delta T (^{\circ}\text{F})$

## State and Equilibrium

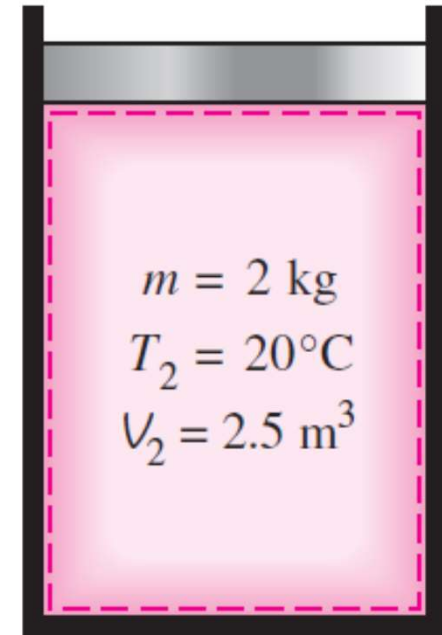
- Consider a **system** not undergoing any change.
- At this point, **all the properties** can be measured or calculated throughout the entire system.
- It gives us a **set of properties** that completely **describes** the condition, or the **state**, of the system.
- At a given state, **all the properties** of a system have **fixed** values.

## A system at two different states

- If the value of even **one property** changes, the **state** will change to a **different one**.
- The figure shows a system at **two** different states.



(a) State 1



(b) State 2

# Equilibrium

- Thermodynamics deals with *equilibrium* states.
- The word **equilibrium** implies a state of **balance**.
- In an **equilibrium state** there are **no unbalanced potentials** (or **driving forces**) within the system.
- A **system in equilibrium** experiences **no changes** when it is **isolated** from its **surroundings**.
- Thermodynamics deals with the equilibrium states, and not with dynamics of the system between such states.
- Thermodynamics doesn't say **how long it will take to reach equilibrium** or by which **path** system will attain equilibrium.

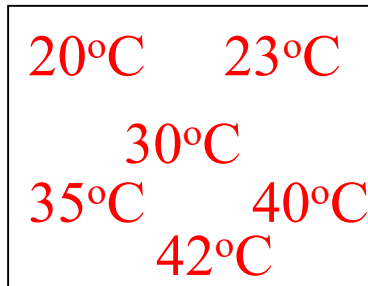
# Types of equilibriums

- Thermal equilibrium
- Mechanical equilibrium
- Chemical equilibrium

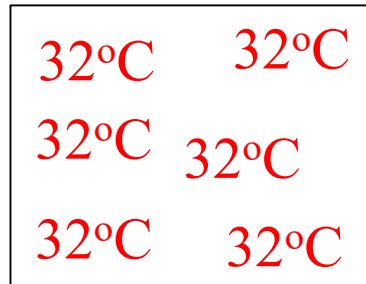
## Thermal equilibrium

- if the temperature is the same throughout the entire system,
- the system involves **no temperature differential**, which is the driving force for heat flow.

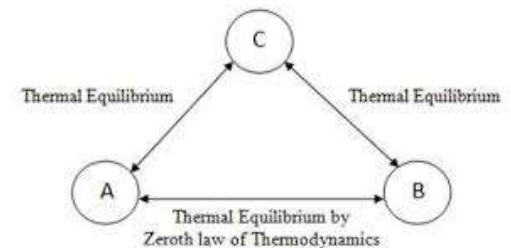
A closed system reaching thermal equilibrium.



(a) Before

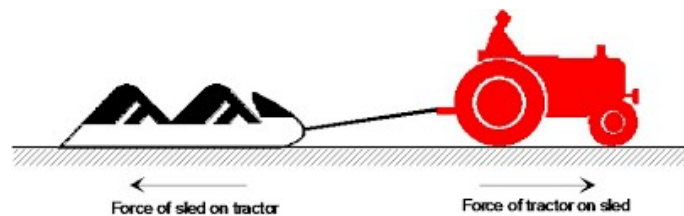
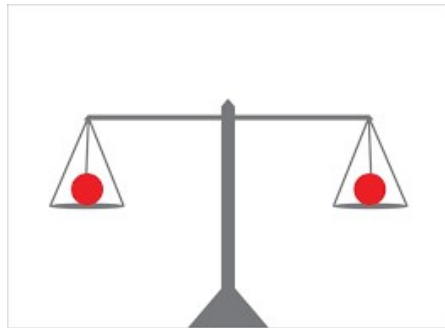


(b) After



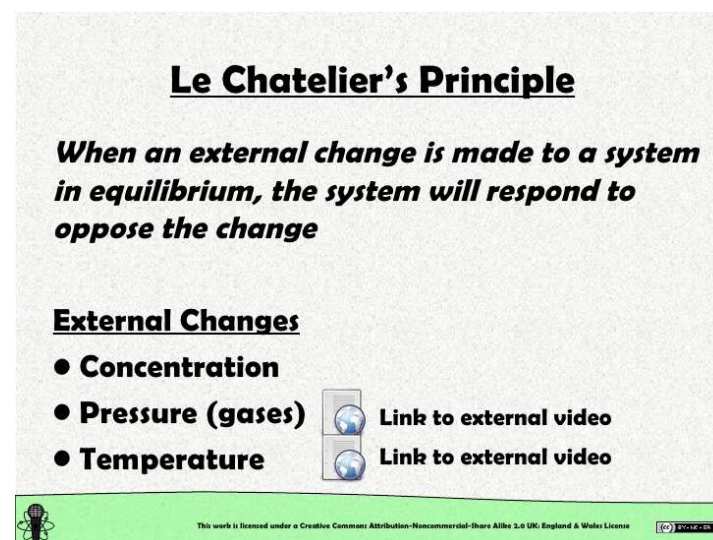
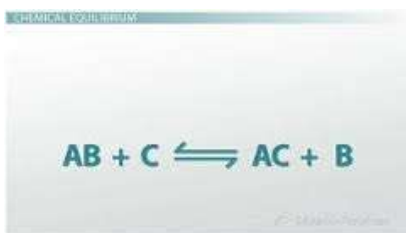
# Mechanical equilibrium

- if there is **no change in pressure** at any point of the system with time.
- the pressure may vary within the system with elevation as a result of gravitational effects.



# Chemical equilibrium



- if there is **no chemical reaction** or transfer of matter from one part of the system to another (**diffusion**) the system is said to exist in a state of chemical equilibrium.




**Le Chatelier's Principle**

***When an external change is made to a system in equilibrium, the system will respond to oppose the change***

**External Changes**

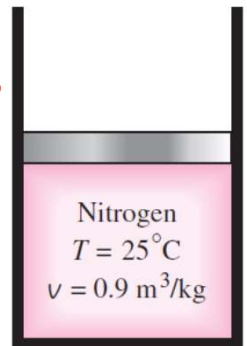
- **Concentration**
- **Pressure (gases)**  [Link to external video](#)
- **Temperature**  [Link to external video](#)

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## The State Postulate

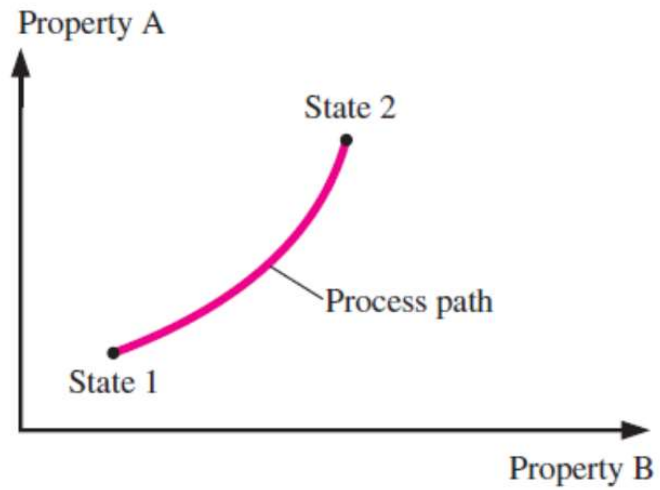
- The state of a system is described by its properties.
- But it is not needed to specify all the properties in order to fix a state.
- Once a sufficient number of properties are specified, the rest of the properties assume certain values automatically.
- That is, specifying a certain number of properties is sufficient to fix a state.
- The number of properties required to fix the state of a system is given by the **state postulate**:

*The state of a simple compressible system is completely specified by two independent, intensive properties  $[T, \text{specific volume } (v)]$ .*

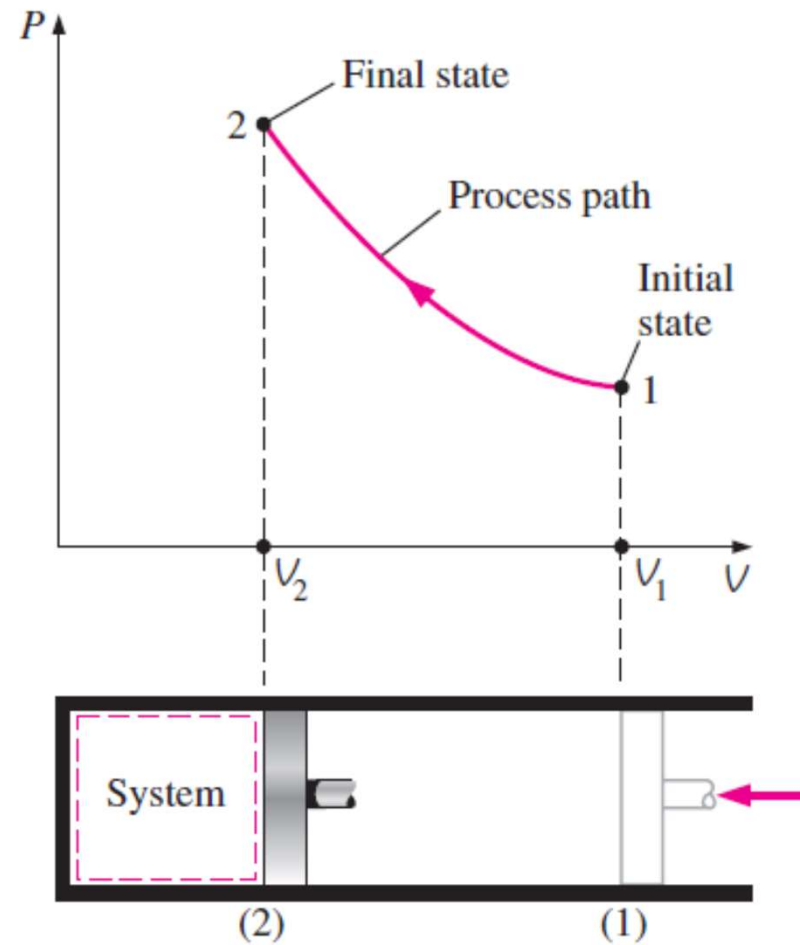


## Processes and Path

- Any **change** that a **system** undergoes from *one equilibrium state* to *another equilibrium state* is called a **process**.
- The **series** of states through which a **system** passes during a **process** is called the **path** of the process.
- To describe a process completely,
  - it should specify the **initial** and **final states** of the process, as well as
  - the **path** it follows, and
  - the interactions with the surroundings.



A process between states 1 and 2 and the process path.



The  $P$ - $V$  diagram of a compression process.

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