

Tutorial 13 Solutions

PHY-101

Q1. A Carnot engine whose low temperature reservoir is at 280 K has an efficiency of 40 %. It is desired to increase this to 50 %. By how many degrees must the temperature of the low temperature reservoir be decreased if that of the high temperature reservoir remains constant.

Sol:

lower temperature, $T_2 = 280$ K

initial efficiency of machine, $\eta_1 = 40$ %

final efficiency of machine, $\eta_2 = 50$ %

higher temperature, $T_1 = x$ (say)

final lower temperature, $T_2' = ?$

decrease in lower temperature, $T_2 - T_2' = ?$

Now,

$$\eta_1 = \left(1 - \frac{T_2}{T_1}\right) \times 100\%$$

$$40 = \left(1 - \frac{280}{x}\right) \times 100$$

$$\frac{2}{5} = 1 - \frac{280}{x}$$

$$\frac{280}{x} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$x = \frac{280 \times 5}{3}$$

$$\therefore x = 466.67 \text{ K}$$

Then,

$$\eta_2 = \left(1 - \frac{T_2'}{T_1}\right) \times 100\%$$

$$50 = \left(1 - \frac{T_2'}{466.67}\right) \times 100$$

$$0.5 = \left(1 - \frac{T_2'}{466.67}\right)$$

$$\frac{T_2'}{466.67} = 0.5$$

$$\therefore T_2' = 233.33 \text{ K}$$

Thus, the lower temperature should be decreased by $T_2 - T_2' = 280 - 233.33 \text{ K} = 46.67 \text{ K}$.

Q2. Calculate the increase in entropy when 50g ice at -10°C is converted to steam at 100°C . Given that specific heat capacity of ice is $2090 \text{ J kg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$, specific heat capacity of water is $4180 \text{ J kg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$ and latent heat of steam is $2.26 \times 10^6 \text{ J kg}^{-1}$.

Sol:

Solution: (a) The change in entropy when 50 g ice at -10°C is heated to 0°C is given by

$$\Delta S_1 = mc \int_{263}^{273} \frac{dT}{T}$$

$$= (50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}) \times (2090 \text{ J kg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}) \log_e \left(\frac{273 \text{ K}}{263 \text{ K}} \right)$$

$$= 50 \times 2.09 \times 2.3026 \times \log_{10} \left(\frac{273 \text{ K}}{263 \text{ K}} \right) \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

$$= 50 \times 2.09 \times 2.3026 \times 0.0162 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

$$= 3.90 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

(b) The change in entropy when 50 g ice at 0°C is converted into water 0°C is given by

$$\Delta S_2 = \frac{\delta Q}{T} = \frac{mL}{T} = \frac{(50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}) \times (3.35 \times 10^5 \text{ J kg}^{-1})}{273 \text{ K}}$$

$$= \frac{50 \times 3.35}{2.73} \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

$$= 61.35 \text{ J K}^{-1}$$

(c) The change in entropy when 50 g water is heat from 0°C to 100°C is given by

$$\Delta S_3 = mc \int_{273}^{373} \frac{dT}{T}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= (50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}) \times (4.18 \times 10^3 \text{ J kg}^{-1} \text{ K}^{-1}) \times 2.3026 \times \log_{10} \left(\frac{373 \text{ K}}{273 \text{ K}} \right) \\
 &= 50 \times 4.18 \times 2.3026 \times 0.1355 \text{ JK}^{-1} \\
 &= 65.21 \text{ J K}^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

(d) The change in entropy when 50 g water at 100°C is converted into steam at the same temperature is

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta S_4 &= \frac{\delta Q}{T} = \frac{mL_{\text{vap}}}{T} = \frac{(50 \times 10^{-3} \text{ kg}) \times (2.26 \times 10^6 \text{ J kg}^{-1})}{373 \text{ K}} \\
 &= \frac{50 \times 2.26 \times 10^3}{373} \text{ JK}^{-1} \\
 &= 302.94 \text{ J K}^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, the total change (i.e., increase) in entropy is obtained by adding the values for each change:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \Delta S &= \Delta S_1 + \Delta S_2 + \Delta S_3 + \Delta S_4 \\
 &= (3.90 + 61.35 + 65.21 + 302.94) \text{ J K}^{-1} \\
 &= 433.4 \text{ J K}^{-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Q3. A 1.5m³ of insulated rigid tank contains 2.7 kg of CO₂ at 100kPa. Paddle work is done on the system until the pressure rises to 150 kPa. What is the entropy change of CO₂ in this process.

Cv=0.657 KJkg⁻¹K⁻¹

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Q3 soln, change is occurring at constant volume.

$$\Delta S = m C_v \ln(T_2/T_1)$$

so we need the ratio T_2/T_1

Using the ideal gas equation,

$$\frac{P_1 V_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2 V_2}{T_2}$$

$V_1 = V_2$ (as tank is rigid)

$$\Rightarrow \frac{P_1}{T_1} = \frac{P_2}{T_2}$$

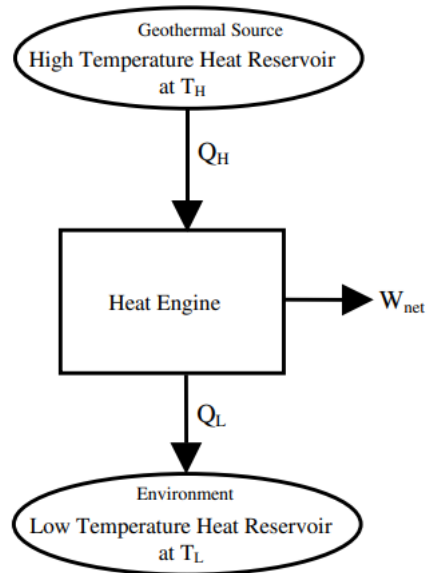
$$\Rightarrow \left[\frac{P_1}{P_2} = \frac{T_1}{T_2} \right] = \frac{150}{100} = 1.5$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta S = (2.7 \text{ kg}) \left(0.657 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{kg K}} \right) \ln 1.5$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta S = 0.72 \frac{\text{kJ}}{\text{K}}$$

Q4. An innovative way of power generation involves the utilization of geothermal energy, the energy of hot water that exists naturally underground (hot springs), as the heat source. If a supply of hot water at 140°C is discovered at a location where the environmental temperature is 20°C , determine the maximum thermal efficiency a geothermal plant built at that location can have. If the power output of the plant is to be 5 MW, what is the minimum mass flow rate of hot water needed? $C_p=4.197\text{Jkg}^{-1}\text{K}^{-1}$

We begin by sketching our device interactions



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Q4. The maximum thermal efficiency will occur when the heat engine operates at Carnot cycle.

$$\eta_{th} = \eta_{Carnot} = 1 - \frac{T_L}{T_H} = 1 - \frac{20 + 273}{140 + 273} = 0.291$$

The minimum mass flow rate of the hot water should correspond to maximum thermal efficiency

$$\therefore \frac{d}{dt} (\dot{Q}_H)_{min} = \frac{5000 \text{ kW}}{0.291} = 17208 \text{ kW/sec}$$

Now from first Law,

$$\dot{Q} = \left(\frac{dm}{dt} \right) (\text{Heat out} - \text{Heat in})$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dm}{dt} = \frac{\dot{Q}}{(C_p T_{out} - C_p T_{in})}$$

as the work is done by the system,
 $\dot{Q} = - 17208$

$$\therefore \frac{dm}{dt} = \frac{-17208}{4.1978(20 - 140)}$$

$$= 34.2 \text{ kg/sec.}$$

