

# 1 Ideal gas mixer

## 1.1 Utility functions

For emptying the input pipe  $I$  into the furnace

```
fillFurnace:
yield
s Furnace SettingInput 100
l x IAnalyzer TotalMoles
brgtz -3
s Furnace SettingInput 0
j ra
```

And for emptying the furnace into the filtration system, which filters all  $\text{CO}_2$  back into the input pipe.

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emptyFurnace:
yield
s Furnace SettingOutput 100
l x Furnace TotalMoles
brgtz -3
s Furnace SettingOutput 0
j ra
```

## 1.2 Mixing algorithm

Considering a system of only one gas  $g$  with a hot source  $H$  of temperature  $t_H$  and a cold source  $C$  of temperature  $t_C$ , we can calculate an optimal formulation for bringing a furnace  $F$  (with volume  $v_F = 1000$ , initial pressure  $p_F$  and initial temperature  $t_F$ ) to a desired pressure  $p_T$  and temperature  $t_T$ . This is accomplished by removing an amount  $n_R$  from the furnace and/or adding an amount  $n_I$  at a specific temperature  $t_I$ , where  $I$  is composed from amounts  $n_H$  and  $n_C$  from the  $H$  and  $C$  sources. Several gas-law derived equations constrain this process:

$$t_T n_T = t_F (n_F - n_R) + t_I n_I \quad (1)$$

$$n_T = n_F - n_R + n_I \quad (2)$$

$$t_I n_I = t_H n_H + t_C n_C \quad (3)$$

Where  $n_R$ ,  $t_I$  and  $n_I = n_H + n_C$  are to be determined. Note the constraint for pressures and temperatures in this system for specific volumes or an arbitrary volume  $M$ :

$$t_C \leq t_M \leq t_H, \quad 0 \leq n_M, \quad 0 \leq n_R \leq n_F.$$

Solving Equation 1 for  $n_I$  provides a surface bounded in two dimensions by  $0 \leq n_R \leq n_F$  and  $t_C \leq t_I \leq t_H$ , but where  $0 \leq n_I$  is potentially unbounded (Figure 1).

$$(n_R, t_I, f): \quad f(n_R, t_I) = n_I = \frac{t_T n_T + t_F (n_R - n_F)}{t_I}.$$

Equation 2 further restricts potential solutions. Given a satisfactory  $n_R$ ,  $n_I = n_T - n_F + n_R$ . Then we instead solve Equation 1 for  $t_I$ . As a result, these restricted solutions lie within a curve embed-

$$p_F = 4000, t_F = 500, p_T = 9000, t_T = 700$$

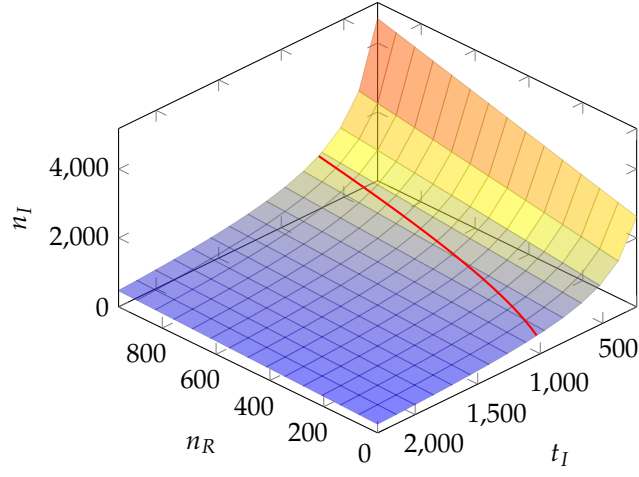
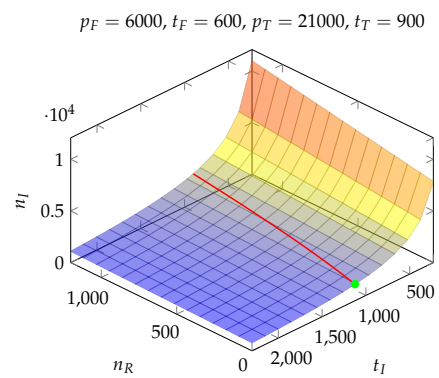


Figure 1: The  $(n_R, t_I, f)$  solution surface and  $(n_R, h, g)$  embedded curve.

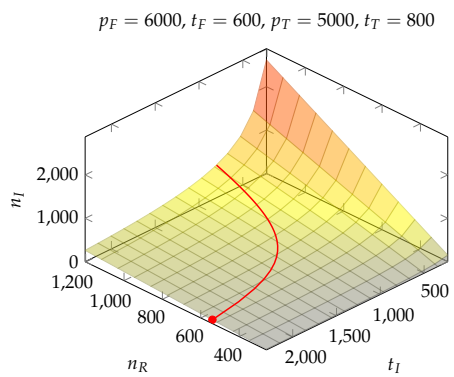
ded within the surface.

$$(n_R, h, g) : \quad g(n_R) = n_I = n_T - n_F + n_R, \quad h(n_R) = t_I = \frac{t_T n_T - t_F (n_F - n_R)}{n_T - n_F + n_R}$$

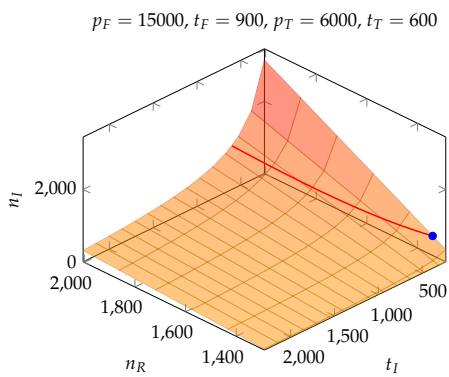
With respect to  $n_R$ ,  $h$  is monotone increasing; thus



(a)  $H$  and  $C$  mixture added.



(b) Volume removed,  $H$  added.



(c) Volume removed,  $C$  added.

Figure 2: Example solutions.