

MEMS 0051
Spring 2018
Midterm #1
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You may *not* use your books or notes. Calculators are permitted on this exam.

The following rules apply:

- All work must be done in the blue testing book. Any work done on the exam question sheet will not be graded.
- All work must be substantiated. A result with no methodology and mathematics will not be graded.

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| Problem | Points | Score |
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| 1 | 10 | |
| 2 | 30 | |
| 3 | 30 | |
| 4 | 30 | |
| Total: | 100 | |

BONUS (5 pts):

This date, February 16th, 1923, marks the opening of this pharaoh's tomb by archaeologist Howard Carter.

Written Problem #1

1. (10 points) Determine the polytropic index for a process where air, initially in a piston cylinder with a pressure of 1,000 [kPa] and a volume of $8 \cdot 10^{-5}$ [m³], is expanded to a pressure of 350 [kPa] and a volume of $8 \cdot 10^{-4}$ [m³].

Written Problem #2

2. (30 points) Water vapor at 3,000 [kPa] and 300°C is contained within a piston-cylinder. The water is cooled in a constant volume process until the temperature reaches 200°C. The water is then compressed in a constant temperature process until the pressure is 2,500 [kPa].

Determine the following:

1. The specific volumes at States 1, 2 and 3.
2. The quality at State 2.

Written Problem #3

3. (30 points) One kilogram of air undergoes a thermodynamic cycle consisting of three processes:

1. From the initial state, it proceeds to State 2 via a constant volume process
2. From State 2, it proceeds to State 3 via a constant temperature process
3. From State 3, it proceeds back to the initial state via a constant pressure process

At State 1, the temperature 300 [K] and the pressure is 100 [kPa]. At State 2, the pressure is 200 [kPa]. The critical pressure of air is 3.786 [MPa] and the critical temperature of air is 132.63 [K]. Using the Ideal Gas law, **determine the following:**

1. The temperature at State 2.
2. The specific volume at State 3.
3. If this process satisfies the requirements to treat air as an Ideal Gas.

Written Problem #4

4. (30 points) Water is contained within a piston-cylinder device and undergoes a series of processes from an initial state with a pressure of 1,000 [kPa] and a temperature of 400°C, to a final state. The processes are as follows:

1. The water vapor is cooled in a constant pressure process to saturated vapor.
2. The water is then cooled in a constant volume process to 150°C.

Determine the following:

1. Determine the work into the system, in [kJ/kg].
2. Determine the heat out of the system, in [kJ/kg].